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Dear Sirs,

I am writing in response to the Draft National Development proposals for the Mid Wales Region. I have not had time to fill in the form online but am assured writing this e mail will be accepted.

I own a farm and have also set up Mid Wales Arts Gallery and Sculpture Park ( home of Sculptors in Wales). We have accommodation and a cafe, run clubs for local people and attract visitors and artists for courses from all over the UK and abroad.

The reason our visitors come and return is their enjoyment of our very beautiful landscape, with wide open views. Much of the UK has been ruined by over development, most people live in towns but psychologically, for their health and well being they need to be able to escape into nature.

I am an artist with a particular interest in landscape. That is why I am here.

Many years ago I used to visit North Wales. I am now horrified to see places I loved like Rhyll that have become graveyards with too many static caravan sites and pylons.

Driving down the Heads of the Valleys road into Cardiff the proliferation of pylons dominates, industrialises and is inappropriate to the surrounding landscape.

Everytime I drive into Mid Wales, my heart lifts as I see the open landscape, it is magical.

Please do not destroy this precious resource.

Future generations will never forgive you.

The tourist industry will never forgive you.

I have done everything I can to make my home as green as it can be. We have ground source heating, solar panels and insulation, we grow our own food, compost and have very little plastic waste.

Huge 'Pylonic' infrastructure will destroy our health and well being, break our hearts and destroy tourism. It must not be allowed in such beautiful areas.

It is possible to use buildings in industrial areas and along motorways, be imaginative, practical and realistic, think about what is best for the future. Why destroy nature? How can this be green?

There will always be people who will hand over their land (Family silver) for a quick buck. You have a responsibility not to take the easy option of ploughing up green fields but to consider the needs of future generations.

Kind regards.

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I am writing **Draft National Development Framework**

In October, a delegation from the Campaign for the Protection of Rural Wales and I met with Julie James AM, the Minister for Local Government, to discuss the Draft National Development Framework which will set the direction for development in Wales from 2020 to 2040.

As I mentioned in my last newsletter, the draft contains proposals for *"large scale wind and solar development to be directed towards Priority Areas for Wind and Solar Energy"*. I have provided a full update on what this means for North Powys [here](#).

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