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To whom it may concern

Draft National Development Framework

I realize the need to cut our dependence on fossil fuels and to find new ways to produce energy but I feel covering the Welsh country side in turbines and solar panels is not the right way forward. It is certainly not acceptable to change our landscape without any consultation with the people who live and work in it.

We have built an all electric environmentally friendly house in the countryside and our electricity bill is very small.

40 years ago we installed solar water heating panels on the roof of an ancient cottage and noticed the drop in electricity cost straight away. At that time I said '*the government needs to legislate for all new building to be built as environmentally as possible*'. Even then we all knew what would happen if nothing was done. However the government did nothing, but now is the chance for the Welsh government to lead the way, get their act together and say:-

'All new buildings must have their own means to produce energy from as many and varied sources as possible, be that from panels covering the roof and walls, ground and air source heat pumps, grey water systems and water turbines'

Legislation could be put in place quickly and action started now, be grant aided and avoid the costly and time consuming process of big appeals against the siting of swaths of turbines and, worse still, large black areas of solar panels. We would all be doing our bit to save the planet and the glorious Welsh countryside would be left for us all to enjoy.

This approach would avoid the need for large pylons to march across the countryside, would avoid long delays on the highways and eliminate the need for grand road widening schemes. We have already seen the disruption this all causes to the local economy - let us not do this again.

Please reconsider this draft plan and think of the people who live in and work in the country side and come up with an innovative plan to solve our energy needs.

Yours sincerely

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