

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **INQUIRY INTO SIXPENNY WOOD WIND FARM COMPLETE**

The public inquiry into the proposal for 10 turbines near Gilberdyke came to an end on Friday 30 October with both sides summarising the representations made.

Planning Inspector Philip Major heard from experts in planning, landscape and cultural heritage during the 2 week proceedings in the Council Chambers in Goole.

The two week wind farm inquiry had a small group of public attendees daily, the busiest day being Wednesday 28 October, where people had the opportunity to tell the Inspector what they thought of the proposal.

Bridget Savage, Development Manager for the Sixpenny Wood Wind Farm said “We strongly believe that this location is suitable for this scale of wind farm development. The turbines would generate a substantial amount of clean, renewable electricity – contributing towards our low-carbon future and energy supply.”

The British Wind Energy Association has claimed that the proportion of wind farm planning applications approved by councils has fallen to a new low point of 25 per cent compared to 63 per cent of applications approved in 2007. But rejections had now forced wind farm developers to appeal to the Planning Inspectorate, at which they enjoyed a 62 per cent success rate.

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