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Open Letter – To Whom It May Concern

It has come to our attention that views of one or two Burton Latimer residents living in the vicinity of the new Burton Wold Wind Farm are being used on wind farm protest group websites and being represented as the “view of the community”.

I am writing this open letter on behalf of Burton Latimer Town Council to set the record straight.

Firstly, through due process, we have given our support to the Burton Wold Wind Farm and are very proud that on our doorstep a clean, renewable electricity generator is contributing a lot to the fight against climate change. Around 10,000 local households are being served with power from the new wind farm and 40,000 tonnes of CO₂ displaced annually.

There have been a few issues to address during the commissioning of the wind farm; notably TV interference for those people with analogue systems, increased traffic due to the local interest in the wind farm and shadow flicker. The planning application did alert us to these potential issues but until the wind farm was up and running no-one could accurately forecast how widespread they might be. However, we are pleased to report that the company operating the wind farm has dealt with these issues in a quick and most professional manner, to the extent that within only a few months of the wind farm becoming operational these problems no longer exist.

We are also pleased that the community benefit scheme has just been launched whereby over £250,000 will be made available to the local community over the life of the wind farm for the direct benefit of those people living in the close proximity of the wind farm.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'MSE', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Michelle Evans
Burton Latimer Town Mayor