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**Re: Planning Ref. No. NY/2025/0030/ENV
Europa Oil and Gas application for appraisal drilling at Burniston Mill Site**

Dear Madam,

I am writing in connection with the above Planning Application made by Europa Oil and Gas for the construction, drilling and testing of this site to extract gas through a propane squeeze process.

I wish to object to the above application for the following reasons:

- The application site is too near the village and dwellings as to cause considerable effect on the residents. It is detrimental to the quality of life due to the air and noise pollution emitting from the site.
- I am very concerned about the chemicals that will be used in the drilling process i.e.
Toluene
Xylene
Benzene
All these hydro carbons are dangerous to health when inhaled, and especially Benzene which is a banned substance, as it is carcinogenic and can cause leukaemia so disposal has to be 100% safe, but as we know nothing is.
Certain gases will be released with the flare, including Methane, which has an odour and also helps towards global warming.
All the above mentioned are detrimental to our health and visitors to this area.
- The noise from the drilling and the flaring will be heard all over the normally quiet and peaceful village for 24/7. We can hear the sea and also the miniature railway etc. due to the topography of the area, so this proves that sound does travel here.
- The movement of hazardous waste along the main Scarborough Whitby road is a possible danger, especially with the tourist traffic and children travelling to and from school.
- The cinder track, which has just been upgraded and is Sustrans no. 1 bike route, passes very close by and will be used by a lot more people since that upgrade, bringing them into close contact with the site.

Looking at the planning application a lot of consultants have done monitoring on the perceived risks to the community and surrounding area but as I put earlier nothing can be guaranteed 100% therefore it is just as likely that these risks can happen and why does monitoring have to be constantly undertaken if it is all supposed to be safe.

I can't see any benefit whatsoever to Burniston, Scarborough and the surrounding area. The present government is to phase out fossil fuels, including fracking, which this is under another name. The only benefit is to Europa Oil and Gas and its shareholders.

I hope that all the points that I have raised will be taken into account when considering the application.

Yours sincerely

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