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Subject: Europa Oil and Gas application for appraisal drilling at Burniston Mill Site
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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 Amy,

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 proppant squeeze process.

Having considered this fully, I wish to object for the following reasons:

1. Pollution - deafening drilling, dust and light pollution 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
2. Industrial development - precious farmland destroyed, drill site very close to rural village, possible 20 years production of gas and four further rigs.
3. Road Safety and maintenance - over 1000 HGVs on our already busy and narrow village roads. There would be additional wear and damage to the roads caused by these HGVs, who will pay for the additional road maintenance and repair costs?
4. Tourism - devastating our beautiful countryside, Heritage coastline and Cleveland Way, only 1km from National Park and close to weak cliffs. We have already lost landmark buildings such as Holbeck Hall hotel and acres of coastal land due to erosion, any process that could exacerbate the loss of coastal land and bring the cliffs closer to the village cannot be a good thing. You only have to look at places like Robin Hood's Bay to understand the potential cost implications of shoring up the cliffs to protect the village. Damage to wildlife, birdlife and SSSI, probable decline in visitor numbers affecting businesses. Local opinion should matter.

Climate change - climate change is at a critical point, burning gas equals more CO2 and methane, other UK gas sites shut down due to downstream emissions (gases), UK is moving to renewable, clean energy, we don't need more gas production.

5. No cheap gas bill - as gas is sold internationally

6. Earth tremors - risk of causing earth tremors caused by drilling over coastal geological faults.

I hope that my concerns are fully taken into account by the Planning Committee during your review process.

Yours sincerely,

E Hope

Elaine Hope

