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New comments have been received for application NY/2025/0030/ENV from Mr Tim Ellis.

Comments:

I walked the coastal section of the Cleveland Way many years ago when I was younger, and I remember how lovely the coast around here is. Now I am approaching retirement age I have an ambition to do it again, but I shan't want to if the area has become a gas field full of noisy, heavy machinery and vehicles. It is clear that a "proppant squeeze" is simply fracking by another name, and we have seen the damage that fracking did to the substratum in Lancashire at Preston New Road a few years ago, causing multiple earth tremors at the time, and more recently I have heard there is a problem with land subsidence around the area. I can imagine the damage that will be caused to the fragile cliffs near Burniston along which the Cleveland Way runs, since the fracking operation will only be a few hundred meters from the cliff top. I'm sure a great many other tourists would be similarly deterred from visiting the area if it is turned into a large industrial complex, so I can understand why residents in the local villages are so universally opposed to it.

In a time of accelerating climate crisis I consider it recklessly irresponsible for anyone to be considering bringing more fossil fuels up from the ground. A legal ruling was made last year that councils should also consider the climate impact of carbon released into the atmosphere due to burning of the fossil fuels, not just the footprint of extraction operations, and this project would certainly contribute to atmospheric CO2 concentration, as well as being a source of accidental methane emissions.

It will bring no extra employment to the area since Europa will be only be using their own experts from all over the world, and there will be a decline in employment prospects due to the loss of tourism. Exploiting more gas will not bring down domestic fuel bills since gas prices are determined by international markets. Energy from renewables is the only way to guarantee cheap and stable fuel prices in the future.