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re: Planning Ref. NY/2025/0030/ENV
Europe Oil and Gas application for appraisal drilling at Burniston Mill Site

Dear Ms Taylor

Re the above Planning Application I wish to object for the following reasons:

The huge volume of water required in the drilling and tracking process comes from the ground water supply, thereby depleting the resource.

The groundwater supply may be contaminated during drilling and also during recovery of waste water.

Removing recovered waste water (which includes contaminants) results in many additional movements of heavy goods vehicles

Waste water storage on site in open pits or tanks may be used (especially in the longer term extended operations if this is allowed) before being taken off site for treatment

The disposal of huge volumes of waste water would result in a correspondingly huge increase in HGV movements on roads.

Local roads area unsuitable for these increased HGV movements due to their narrowness and business especially during the tourist season

Gas flaring causes toxic emissions and adversely affects air quality. This is of particular concern as the proposed development is extremely close to residential communities and local schools

Light and noise pollution as well as air pollution resulting from the 24 hour, every day of the week operations proposed will adversely affect humans, wild life and the environment

There is a risk of earth tremors caused by the drilling and site works (both for the initial and if permitted the expanded site works) which could negatively affect the coastline and ground in the area due to the proximity of geological faults

The development is an industrialisation of a rural and agricultural area which is also popular with tourists for reasons which would be negatively affected by these proposed works

The proposed development would have negligible if any economic benefit for the local community. The labour force is typically comprised of imported specialist staff. Gas security would not be helped as any gas produced is sold on the international market. The gas from under the coastal villages could provide less than 0.5 % of UK demand in any case.

The UK exports gas

Clean, renewable energy sources should be promoted rather than carbon dioxide and methane producing fossil fuel sources

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

Yours Sincerely

Janice Polson