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As a relative of people living very near the proposed site, I am appalled by this application and object to it strongly because even this initial exploratory phase will cause major disruption and environmental damage to the local area and it will impact negatively on their lives. Moreover, there will be a very negative impact on local wildlife and habitats.

My objections in particular are as follows:-

1. The huge increase in traffic on small country roads will cause noise pollution, air pollution and make the roads less safe for pedestrians.
2. The site will be floodlight 24/7 which will impact local residents.
3. There is the potential that water supply contamination will occur as has happened on other sites.
4. Potential damage to the fragile cliffs which are already suffering from erosion.

Furthermore, although the accompanying impact reports from the applicant, would suggest that the risk of damage is low, the purpose of the exploratory phase is to ascertain whether a large-scale extraction is viable. The risks of widescale permanent damage will surely increase dramatically if the second phase is allowed and I think this should be taken into account before this application is assessed.

Finally, I see no long-term future in gas extraction due to the climate crisis and cannot see how opening new sites can be justified, particularly in a residential area close to an extremely popular tourist destination. The argument that it will reduce UK gas prices is surely questionable, as the gas will be sold on the open market and will have no effect.

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