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New comments have been received for application NY/2025/0030/ENV from Mr Paul Atkinson.

Comments:

I am writing to formally object to the planning application referenced NY/2025/0030/ENV for the construction of a temporary wellsite at Land East of the Mill Yard, Burniston Mill, Coastal Road, Burniston, Scarborough, YO13 0DB. While the application appears to be located within Scalby, it is of significant concern that the proposed operation includes tunneling underground towards Scarborough, an aspect that has not been sufficiently addressed in the application documents.

The lack of clarity surrounding the tunneling process raises several environmental, safety, and public health concerns, particularly considering the potential risks associated with hydraulic fracturing (fracking) operations. The potential for groundwater contamination, seismic activity, and air pollution are all significant risks that must be comprehensively evaluated and mitigated.

Further, the absence of clear information regarding the proposed tunneling direction and the associated risks to the Scarborough area undermines transparency and accountability in the application process. The residents of Scarborough deserve to be fully informed about the potential risks of fracking activities in the region, especially when the tunneling extends beyond the boundaries of the application site.

In addition, I am deeply concerned about the long-term environmental impact of such an operation, particularly given the fragility of the local ecosystems and water sources. The potential disruption to local wildlife habitats and the risk of irreversible environmental damage must be carefully weighed against any potential benefits.

For these reasons, I respectfully request that the planning application be reviewed in more detail, with a full and transparent assessment of the tunneling and fracking process, as well as its impact on the surrounding area, including Scarborough. The lack of sufficient information regarding these aspects is a serious concern, and I believe the application should be rejected or revised to ensure that local residents' safety, health, and environment are properly protected.

Thank you for considering my concerns.