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Subject: NY/2025/0030/ENN Europa Oil and Gas application for appraisal drilling at Burniston
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To all this may concern

The above planning application is due to be heard on Friday 30 January 2026 at Scarborough Town Hall.

I am asking you to defer this until:

- 1) after the government has made their decision on the new legislation - due in Spring 2026.
- 2) our Councillor Crane has received a reply from the government seeking advice on how the council should progress the application, given the potential forthcoming changes.
- 3) after the consultation period ends on 10 March 2026 for the new National Planning Policy Framework, to remove the weight given to mineral extraction benefits for oil and gas.
- 4) after the seismic study has been undertaken. I believe Europa have minimal assets and are currently seeking an investor to fund this. How can you approve an application from a company who cannot even afford to pay for the initial basics?

Although I agree the planning application should be decided in Scarborough, it should be held at a venue large enough to accommodate the number of local people who want to attend. The Town Hall is not the appropriate place. We locals are extremely concerned (as you can see from the number of objections submitted) about the pollution, both noise and light, danger from HGVs, damage to wildlife, horses, farmland, not to mention the potential earth tremors and damage to our wonderful coastline and area of Outstanding Beauty.

I will leave you with another thought remember Holbeck Hall Hotel that dramatically collapsed into the sea in 1993 due to a massive landslide?
Do you want something like this to happen again and be on your conscience?

I hope not.

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Please redact my name and address from public view.