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Environment and Sustainability Committee
Cardiff Bay
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Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to convey my concerns regarding TAN 8 and the effect of this badly thought out and considered policy.

I am involved in the leisure industry and the effect on tourism is a major concern for me. Our landscape is one the main reasons why our tourist industry is so successful. I understand that TAN 8 rules out the visual amenity value as a factor when considering wind farms applications. It assumes that we have to accept a change in the landscape character for the sake of the windfarms.

TAN8 completely removes our individual rights in Montgomeryshire. As we have three of the seven Strategic Search Areas affecting us, our small rural county will be destroyed. No account has been taken of the cumulative effect on visual amenity, transport, flooding, socio economic and environmental factors. Transport in particular is a major concern for our business, as our roads will be choked, dissuading visitors to our beautiful county.

The people of Montgomeryshire are very worried , they feel badly let down by their government in Cardiff. The Inquiry is a chance to see democracy work, a proper review of the cumulative effects of this industrial scale development needs to take place.

Yours faithfully

