

Senator Fielding Submission

Having read a lot of the submissions already, I can only say ditto, ditto, ditto.

It seems that no matter where these monstrosities appear, those who live around them are adversely affected .

Why is it that our rights are taken away from us just because someone in State government decides to fast track these applications under the guise of 'critical infrastructure'? Our neighbour has made a deal with the windfarm developer to erect a number of structures which tower higher than the Statue of liberty within 2 kms from our house and neither the neighbour or any government body thinks that it is important for us to have this information. When we questioned the developer, we are just given platitudes and useless, out of date data relating to noise, health and property values.

We live on a hobby farm right in the midst of the proposed Flyers Creek Windfarm. I have sought two property valuations from local real estate agents based on our current status (no windturbines) When posed with the question.... Will the presence of the turbines affect a prospective sale? The answer was a resounding YES on both counts. Who in their right mind would buy a 'lifestyle' property under wind turbines? We moved to this area so as to enjoy the lifestyle and amenity that it offered. Since then, Cadia mine has become a very big part of our life as it now looms just over the rise. If and when the Turbines go in, we will be sandwiched between the two. What happened to our lifestyle choice? What is happening to our rural environment?

So much more information has come to light regarding noise and health problems in the past few years. This information needs to be validated and until such time that it is, I believe that a hold should be put on any further windfarm development. If this is impractical, at least a reasonable buffer zone of 3 plus kms should be put in place until there is an acceptable outcome.

Angry and frustrated

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