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Our ref: 08/12/1032/ASP/RJ  
Date: 24 September 2012

Dear Sir/Madam

**APPLICATION: 08/12/1032**

**PROPOSAL: VARIATION OF CONDITION 1 OF PLANNING PERMISSION 08/10/0973 TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF TIME FOR THE TESTING FOR HYDROCARBONS IN THE DRILLED EXPLORATORY BOREHOLE AND RESTORATION OF THE SITE BY A FURTHER 18 MONTHS UNTIL 28 MARCH 2014**  
**LOCATION: BECONSALL EXPLORATION SITE, OFF BONNY BARN ROAD, HUNDRED END, BANKS**

I am writing to seek your views on the application I have received for the above development. The County Council will determine the application.

You may view the application, plans and supporting documents at [www.lancashire.gov.uk/planningregister](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/planningregister) or a copy may be viewed at West Lancashire Borough Council, Council Offices, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk and at the Environment Directorate, Development Management, County Hall, Preston during normal working hours. You may similarly view progress of the application on the web.

You can make comments in writing to the address at the bottom of this letter or by e-mail to [DevCon@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:DevCon@lancashire.gov.uk). Please quote the application number and include your name and address. You can also make comments via 'have your say' on the application web page. Comments should be made within 21 days from the date of this letter.

**All representations received, including names and addresses, will be placed on the application file and this is open to inspection by the applicant and general public. Representations will not be available to view on the County Councils web page. They will be sent to the Planning Inspectorate if an appeal is made against the County Councils decision.**

We do not acknowledge receipt of representations. Details on how to make further representations and speak at the Development Control Committee, if you have objected to the proposal, can be found on our web page or you can contact me for further details.

The Council can only take into consideration comments that are valid planning issues or are 'material' to the application. There is guidance on the web page to help give you some idea of what we can and cannot consider. However, some examples of what are NOT valid planning issues include:

- Effect on private property values
- Loss of a view across somebody else's land

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- Personal issues with the applicant
- Disturbance during construction
- Private rights of way
- Land ownership or boundary disputes
- Matters covered under other legislation, e.g. Waste management licensing
- Trade competition

The proposal will be considered against the relevant policies of the Development Plan and other material planning considerations. Here are some examples of what we can take into account:

- Scale, appearance and design of the proposal
- Impact on residential amenity
- Impact on the character of the area
- Effect on nature conservation and trees
- Effect on highway safety and parking
- Effect on a Conservation Area or Listed Buildings

I will carefully consider any views you make and include a summary of them in my report which you will be able to view on the application webpage. I will notify you of the outcome of the Council's decision.

The Council may consider the application in one of two ways. Where the proposal is considered to be in accordance with relevant policies and no objections have been received within the consultation period, and there is no legal agreement involved, the Executive Director of Environment may grant planning permission in accordance with the Council's Scheme of Delegation. If the proposal does not accord with the Development Plan, objections are received, the application is subject to a legal agreement, or the application is to be recommended for refusal, it will be determined by the Council's Development Control Committee.

If, after examining the application you have any unanswered questions, please write or contact me on the above telephone number or via [DevCon@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:DevCon@lancashire.gov.uk) quoting the application number.

Yours faithfully

*Rob Jones*

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