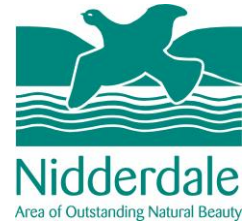


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APPLICATION TYPE: 010 Other Minor
APPLICATION NO 16/04368/FUL
PROPOSAL Siting of 1 wind turbine (6.5m to hub)
LOCATION Clifton
GRID REF:
APPLICANT: PW Architectural Consultants Ltd

My observations on the above application are as follows:-

The latest proposal is for a smaller turbine than that previously refused by the Council in 2013 and on appeal in 2015. However, the key points raised by the planning inspector in his decision notice still apply as far as the AONB's Joint Advisory Committee is concerned. Namely that the structure (at 7.8m to the vertical tip of the moving rotor blades) would be visible from surrounding vantage points as an alien feature in largely unspoiled scenery. There are undoubtedly several existing detractors in this open and highly prominent landscape but it is worth noting that the obtrusive overhead electricity supply network is in the process of being placed underground by Northern Powergrid. Erection of this turbine will draw attention to the cluster of development Willow Tree Farm, adding to its presence in the landscape in a way that detracts from its character and value.

The Joint Advisory Committee objects to this application.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul Bryson".

Signed