



# Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust

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North Lincolnshire Council

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Sent by Email

Dear Mr Law,

**Application Reference:** PA/SCR/2025/4

**Site Location:** Wressle Wellsite, Lodge Farm, Appleby, Scunthorpe.

**Proposed Development:** Request for a second EIA screening opinion for proposed new wells and 600m underground gas pipeline.

Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust [The Trust, hereafter] is a conservation charity in the county with a strategic remit to support conservation of the natural world, lead on the recovery of key habitats and species, and empower local communities to take action for nature. The Trust is supported by over 27,000 members across Lincolnshire. Our conservation officers have reviewed the referenced scoping opinion request against a series of strategic conservation and ecological criteria to inform our response.

The Trust wishes register its disappointment that having made previous representation regarding this development, specifically including points over the inadequacy of consultation and engagement with The Trust as a directly affected neighbour, that no attempts have been made by the applicant to advise us of this second application, or address our standing concerns about the proposal, and traffic impacts.

In review of the application, The Trust would recommend that a full EIA is required and insufficient information has been presented to make a determination of no significant effects. We hold considerable reservations over the applicants approach in their accounting comparison of GHG emissions against UK and regional carbon budgets, particularly given the influence from existing heavily industrialised areas, which distorts this projects impact and significance. Until the new formal government guidance for Scope 3 emissions is published (expected Spring 2025), The Trust recommends that the precautionary approach should be adopted and projects impacts should be considered in the context of UK decarbonisation policies and international commitments.

If you have any queries regarding our response, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely



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