

10th July 2024.

Whitebridge

N.S.W. 2290.

Independent Planning Commissioner

The Hills of Gold Wind Farm

To Whom It May Concern,

The Hills of Gold Wind Farm, can only be of benefit to Mundle and the surrounding districts. The township has declined over the years and has been neglected since the change to Tamworth City Council. The previous Mundle Council maintained the roads, public amenities etc as well as being an employer of the local workers.

Workers employed on the construction of the turbines will need to be housed and catered for. There will be opportunities for small business to supply their needs.

Mundle once had a popular butcher shop and bakery which was appreciated by locals. Many locals now need to shop "out of town" and tourists bring their supplies with them.

The construction of the turbines would cause much less damage to the area compared to the open cut coal mines in the Singleton, Muswellbrook district. Many thousands of hectares of farmland and natural habitat has been destroyed and will never be restored to its original state.

Land owners don't want their properties to be damaged any more than necessary and with stringent environmental rules to be followed. I have great confidence that ~~that~~ the habitat will be cared for.

Clean renewable energy is a bonus to all and The Hills of Gold Wind Farm can be a big boost to the energy grid.

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