

Dear Sir/Madam,

I hereby would like to **STRONGLY OBJECT** to the Viking Energy wind farm and the proposed subsea cable on the following grounds:

- I believe that a windfarm of such size will ruin our beautiful landscape, so nobody can enjoy it any longer. It will scar the natural environment forever and destroy many wildlife habitats.

For example, to name only one of many affected species: the mountain hare is now recognized as an endangered species - has there even been a survey done on the impact the construction of this windfarm may have on the mountain hare?

- In relation to the transmission cable, it is known already that existing sub-sea cables experience major problems (the Hunterston in Scotland to Flintshire in Wales subsea cable). If this is the case, what may happen to a 203km long cable in some of the most violent seas in the world?. Not to mention the inevitable damage that will occur from fishing boats as they trawl for fish. And no amount of exclusion zone will prevent this.

- I believe that there must be more economic and more environmentally sound ways of producing electricity. Time has moved on since this was first looked at and I feel that the idea should be looked at again so you really ask yourselves if this is truly the best option when BWSC and Gasnor have proposed a cheaper, more reliable and infinitely less damaging LNG power station for Shetland.

- The environmental impact of this project vastly outweighs any benefits to combating CO2 emission

I believe that the project has the support of a few due to greed, rather than what is the best way of providing electricity, and that is immoral. Many Shetlanders are very worried about this project, but their call for a referendum has been ignored over and over again.

Please reconsider.

Best regards,