

Appendix R: Comments From Open Houses

Vaughan Open House Open-Ended Comments

Q 5. Do you have any comments or suggestions to help us with the open house next time?

Should be speaker, Q&A style

I would like to see exactly where the turbines are going to be!

A short presentation with a chance for Q&A would have been good. Some in the audience were disappointed that there was no presentation with an overview and update.

Good session, but didn't see any ads. Heard it through word of mouth.

The Trade Show format doesn't allow for people to get much of a sense of neighbours' views or share in hearing important Q & A.

Should have had a video with the turbine sounds playing.

Good job.

Yes, a prepared audio-visual showing what is being done and how ignorance leads to irrational fear -- truth, seen to be truth paves the way for positive corporate development.

The footprint of the turbines would help a lot.
Well done

I would also like a town hall meeting.
What would have been far more helpful & beneficial would be a town hall - answer/questions forum. This is just a session where info is presented and way too hard to pin down facts from you people.

Q 6. Do you have any comments about the proposed project?

Looks good!

I support green energy, however, I am concerned at the lack of detail available - actual plan showing location of turbines, height, etc. Would like "footprint" moved back a little from the New Ross Rd. + homes.

Should have the flat circular style turbines included; the people should benefit as partners somehow line in US cities; rates for people in affected areas.

All studies made public, EA etc., regular meetings to keep us well informed.

What about property values?

I'll be curious to receive the follow up information as promised by Bruce Strum regarding additional inquiries. A true picture of the location of the project would deem to be very helpful as I'm the last property on Wile Settlement Rd and it "appears" to be going directly behind my location.

Think it is great! We need to move from coal to wind. My concern is that we have a lot of land that is available so try to get some distance (1km maybe) between turbines and houses; other than that, hope to see it get built.

Given the size of proposed project in close proximity to a community, provision should be made for direct community investment.

I support it. I believe it is good to reduce our emissions and get us off our addiction to fossil fuels. I think it is a great project. Need more like it. If common sense, safe for the environment, within reason, is being applied, there is no reason not to move forward - the benefits for the local and larger area are obvious.

I have noise concerns being the closest house. (Bldg new house in the area).

Wants the link to the environmental impact study
I would like to hear a presentation about the project as it develops or a need for update notification via email directing me to a website.

Has cottages on Falls Lake West (near the site) for rent.

Seemed to be done well

Public Q & A session would be helpful

Well done

Green energy is an absolute win-win project for any resource.

An organized presentation would have been welcomed.

Great turn out!

It would be better to have a Q & A session

More advertising locally. (within the community).

Private citizens put up notices.

Let people know progress - what stage you are at in planning, permits etc. Have an info session instead of open house to tell people as a group what comes next. Will there be a tendering process for the work? Or will it be performed in-house?

I think it was well presented

Perhaps you should contact all people who own land around the developments.

Format of the meeting was poor. A project of this magnitude deserves a public Q&A session so we can learn from each other. I find the trade show type of meeting mildly informative but dodges the issues.

I'm excited for the project.

No questions.

I am very upset by how close to my house the proposed area is (1k) and the effect it could have on both property value and the health of my family.

Wile Settlement Rd. is cottage country and we do not want extra truck traffic.

Support all green energy initiatives. Good use of resource lands. Good fit for Jodrey/Bragg ventures.

Wants a tour of the wind farm (I think Nuttby)

Not at this time as most were answered today. May have as read and learn more.

May want an interpretation centre if you are successful. Seen such centres at other sites.

All for it.

Ensure local people & local business are involved.

I believe it to be a great project. I hope these projects help the cost of electricity to the end user. Would like more material about disruption of animal habitats. Would like to see the turbines proposed close to New Ross Rd and N. Canoe moved back toward the middle of development. Wish we could buy power solely through S. Canoe and not through NSP.

Concerned re: wind noise - constant drone sound I'm told.

I think the scope of the project is too large. I am concerned with the impact it will have on our property.

Love the concept of Green Power! I have some grave concerns about the construction process - blasting - air quality during construction. What is the long term community sustainability? 4-5 permanent jobs only?

Think it is overdue.

I think it's great.

As long as the project is done right & local people are involved in the project.

Wind towers should be placed more than 1200 M from homes.

Access roads; site of turbines; noise situation; impact on the rural environment. What it means for me.

Chester Open House Open-Ended Comments

Q 5. Do you have any comments or suggestions to help us with the open house next time?

To make clear the Process: would like to see public debate.

More advance advertising - earlier. Had the notice put on my store's bulletin board late last week and presentation print out from Allen Webber around the same time. Notice from the Chamber of Commerce by email after work today.

Set out some chairs - near displays so those of us who aren't good standers can sit and talk or read posters.

Distance between Golf Course and project in relation to sight and sound.

Keep it simple

I was impressed with your format.

More sit down & conversation

A short verbal presentation would have been good. Good idea to be able to talk to representatives.

No

More info on costs & affects on power bills assuming increase to oil/coal/gas over the next 20 yrs.

No

No

Q 6. Do you have any comments about the proposed project?

It is important to make sure the turbine design does not impact on bird & bat population

I feel that this is a good project for our area. I hope that all the stakeholders involved can come up with a plan to protect everyone's interests including the wildlife that are living in the area now.

Best of luck

Looking forward to results of environmental assessment.

Start building ASAP.

Good location. Wind far better than current electricity sources. Hope problem with bats can be solved. Good luck!

Reassured after talking with your people.

Good luck

Great economic opportunities for the area. Good to see alternative forms of energy.

No anymore

I am a strong advocate of renewable energy. Very nice presentation!

No

Hans Tooms - professional birder may be helpful to this project.