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Ripponden Parish council was very disappointed in Calderdale Council's decision to permit the wind turbine at Barkisland, close to Ringstone reservoir . This turbine will be seen for miles and spoil the openness and amenity of the hillside.

The site is also a significant archaeological site, very close to three grade 1 nationally important monuments and just 50 metres from a public footpath. An application for a smaller turbine at Cragg Vale was recently refused as it was felt that the effect on the openness and character of the area would be adversely affected, there appears to have been no such concerns for the site 1000 feet above sea level in prominent view from Ripponden Conservation village.

The erection of the turbine on what is probably a very important site that needs detailed archaeological investigations will be lost forever as well as the openness of this highly prominent hillside.

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