

It is far to say that I am grateful to the Government for putting this particular development out to consultation.

Not being an expert or having any technical expertise at all you may actually disregard everything I am about to say. But please accept this objection as a heart felt plea to look further than the powerful lobby groups that the nuclear industry are able to pay for and support when taking your final decision.

As someone who has never understood the need to build a power station that provides only a small amount of the countries need for energy at such a high cost financially it grieves me further to see that it is still considered in the public interest to develop the nuclear industry. The justification often focuses on jobs and I understand there could be many jobs created here. The balance shifts so irrationally then against future considerations - the jam today justification.

Renewable energy is a popular vote winner but the lobby groups are nowhere near as powerful as the nuclear industry often made up of community groups, small providers or just individuals like me. The options are much cheaper, do provide jobs although probably not as many as nuclear power station construction, and provides clean energy. Surely much cleaner than nuclear? However, it will never be supported by energy companies in the present climate.

The decision by the German Government to move away from nuclear is clear, it is not a viable energy provider for future generations. The French are worrying about what they have but of course they EDF. The Japanese have had major issues to contend with that have sent shock waves across the world. These are issues which concern me.

So my objections maybe emotional, they may not be learned but they are heart felt and built on a life long concern about reliance on nuclear energy to support the needs of the population in years to come at a cost which is obscene. Please do consider more than the power of the lobbyist when coming to a decision. Please consider what many, many ordinary people think and worry about without having the financial backing of large energy companies and the nuclear construction industry.

Refuse this development.

Yours faithfully

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