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**From:** >  
**Sent:** 06 September 2018 14:43  
**To:** Energy Infrastructure Planning  
**Subject:** CARNEDD WEN AND LLANBRNMAIR WIND FARMS - BIRDS OF PREY

Dear Sir

In relation to the density and variety of birds of Prey in this location I would draw your attention to the Bettws Hall website which offers and promotes 'Driven High Pheasant shooting at the Brigands Inn Mallwyd'. The Brigands Inn and the shooting about the proposed windfarm sites, annually some 75,000 pheasants are stocked for the organised corporate shooting, also further down the valley the local shoot stocks hundreds of birds.

The carnage on the lane that leads from Pandy to the A548 and the main road itself acts as a magnet for birds of prey and scavengers like Red Kites, this annual feast of road kill and available food source sustains a varied population of birds. I have lived in this valley for 17 years and have seen the introduction and spread of Red kites which nest in the woods near to my property.

Also Goshawks, Merlin, Harriers, Peregrins and buzzards thrive in this location with its abundantly provided food source.

If you visit the website for Bettws Hall you can see the shooting taking place and the birds being driven off the side of the hills where the proposed winfarms are to be located. As I drive over the top of the hill to Llanerfyl I regularly see curlews which are obviously nesting there. The development of the sites will lead to the destruction of the birds of prey in flight, and their nesting places, not only for local birds but for those that flock to the area across the hills to source food supplies through the winter.

The pheasants have been released into the valley Rhiw Saesons at the moment and a drive from the A458 to Llanbrynmair will confirm the contents of this letter. Again I would advise you to consult with your maps of the proposed site and relate them to the videos of the High Driven Pheasant Shooting and see for yourself that it is impossible that the windfarms will not lead to the decimation and destruction of these scarce birds of prey that have hitherto been sustained and attracted to this area.

Yours faithfully