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## WIND FARM COMPANY TO SET UP COMMUNITY LIAISON GROUP

After receiving planning consent for the 13-turbine Wadlow Farm wind farm in November, RES<sup>1</sup> is now setting up a Community Liaison Group, and is seeking local residents who have an interest in the wind farm and the local community.

Amy Bambridge, Community Liaison Officer explained, *"We are looking to set up a group with representatives from each of the parishes, villages and local communities around the wind farm. We would also welcome people with specific interests in issues relating to the wind farm, such as those involved with local charities or community funding initiatives, or those with particular knowledge of ecology or the Fleam Dyke, for example. The most important task for the group initially will be to help set up the wind farm's community fund, but we will also be holding regular meetings to discuss all other issues relating to the development of the wind farm."*

The wind farm will generate an annual community fund of around £26,000 per year, and how this money should be managed and spent will be decided in consultation with local communities. The fund will be set up once the wind farm is up and running, which potentially could be as soon as 2011, so it is important that work starts soon to make arrangements for the management of the community fund.

Amy continued,

*"Ideally, we need the group to be well balanced and truly representative of the local community, although not too big as to be unwieldy. I would ask anyone with an interest in joining the group to contact me in the first instance."*

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The Wadlow Farm team are currently meeting with parish and district councillors from around the site to discuss the plans in more detail and to ensure that the Community Liaison Group is well attended and representative. An information newsletter will also be posted out to more than 5,000 homes early this year to ensure that local residents are kept fully informed. Further information about the wind farm can be found at [www.wadlow-farm.co.uk](http://www.wadlow-farm.co.uk)

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### Notes to editors:

1. RES is a leading UK renewable energy company and is part of the Sir Robert McAlpine group of construction and engineering companies. RES built its first wind farm in Cornwall in 1992. The RES Group has to date completed over 4,300MW of wind power capacity worldwide and is active in a range of renewable energy technologies (biomass, solar, ground source, wind), as well as sustainable building design. RES is a holder of the Queen's Award for Enterprise for its commitment to renewable energy. For more information, visit [www.res-group.com](http://www.res-group.com)
2. The planning application for 13 turbines at Wadlow Farm Wind Farm was originally submitted to South Cambridgeshire District Council in May 2006. The Council turned down the planning application in June 2007, a decision which RES then appealed. The public inquiry took place in June 2009 and consent was granted in November 2009.

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