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Date:

Dear Mr Harvey,

Re: Commons Act 2006 – Section 16 Applications for The Deregistration and Exchange of Common Land on

1) Common Land Unit CL68, Goppa Hill Common

2) Common Land Unit CL74, Mynydd Pysgodlyn and part Graig-y-Bedw, Pentwyn Mawr, Bank Myddfai, Garn Fach and Banc Darren Mawr Common

3) Common Land Unit CL77, Mynydd y Gwair Common

I wish to **object** to the above proposals for deregistration and exchange of land. Such exchanges of land would have a detrimental effect on the common and surrounding communities and are not in the public interest.

1. The disjointed parcels of exchange land would not compensate for the loss of tranquility and wilderness of the open common moorland, which is valued by the commoners and visitors alike.
2. The enjoyment of the general public would be severely disadvantaged, not only by interruption of access across the heart of the common, but also through the change in character of the current landscape, which should be conserved.
3. Nature conservation has not been properly considered: the applicant's own evidence admits problems in this regard.
4. The proposed exchange will not assist, and indeed may hinder, the protection of archeological remains and features of historic interest on the common.

There have been two previous Public Inquiries, held in 2010 and 2014, which considered much of the exchange land still being offered through these applications. Both found the exchange land to be unsuitable, but also gave other reasons for refusing the previous applications. These new applications do nothing to overcome the solid grounds for previous refusals. Some might regard the continuing attempts by the applicant to get these

applications passed as bordering on harassment and bullying. It is clear that renewable energy provision from the area has increased massively during the past decade, and is set to do so further when the world's first tidal lagoon is constructed, and at the same time there has been a growing awareness of the need to de-clutter valued landscapes (pylons are to be removed in the Snowdonia National Park for instance). Against this backdrop the failure of the applicant to accept the Minister's decision of 25 June 2015 seems perverse and to represent a continued threat to peaceful recreation, and hence also tourism, in the area.

Please accept this letter as an objection for each of the three applications mentioned above.

I urge you to refuse these applications.

Yours sincerely,

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