



Hope Moor Wind Farm Action Group

Monday 23rd February 2026 at 7pm

Newsham Village Hall DL11 7RD

Hosted by Councillor Angus Thompson

An aerial photograph of a vast, rolling landscape. The foreground is dominated by dark brown, textured hills, likely a moor or heath. Beyond this, the terrain levels out into a patchwork of vibrant green fields, interspersed with small clusters of buildings and roads. The landscape extends to a distant, hazy horizon under a clear blue sky. A large black semi-circle is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing white text.

Introduction by
Councillor
Angus
Thompson



Campaign group formed to fight wind farm plans

Credit: 8 Dec 2025 · Joe Willis · bbc.com

A campaign group has been formed to oppose plans for a major wind farm on the edge of the Yorkshire Dales.

If approved, 20 turbines standing about 200m (656ft) high would be built near Stang Forest between Arkengarthdale and Teesdale.

Residents said they launched Hope Moor Wind Farm Action Group to “save the wildlife corridor and protect the skyline” from the green energy development.

A spokesperson for the wind farm project said the feedback from people living in surrounding areas was “central to our approach”.

Members of the Action Group claimed the wind farm would be visible up to 75 miles (120km) away and seen from West Yorkshire, Teesside, Tyneside and the Lake District.



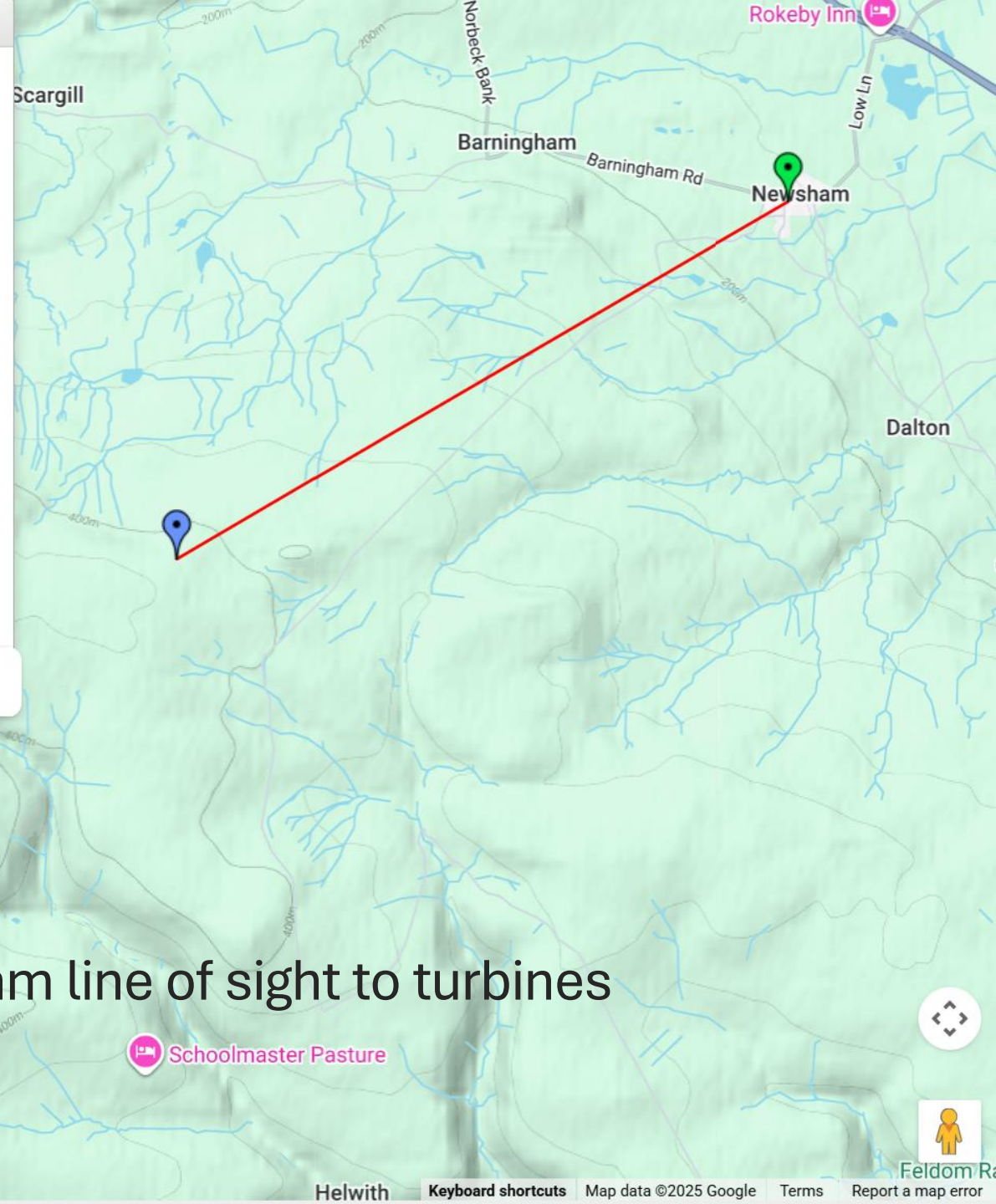
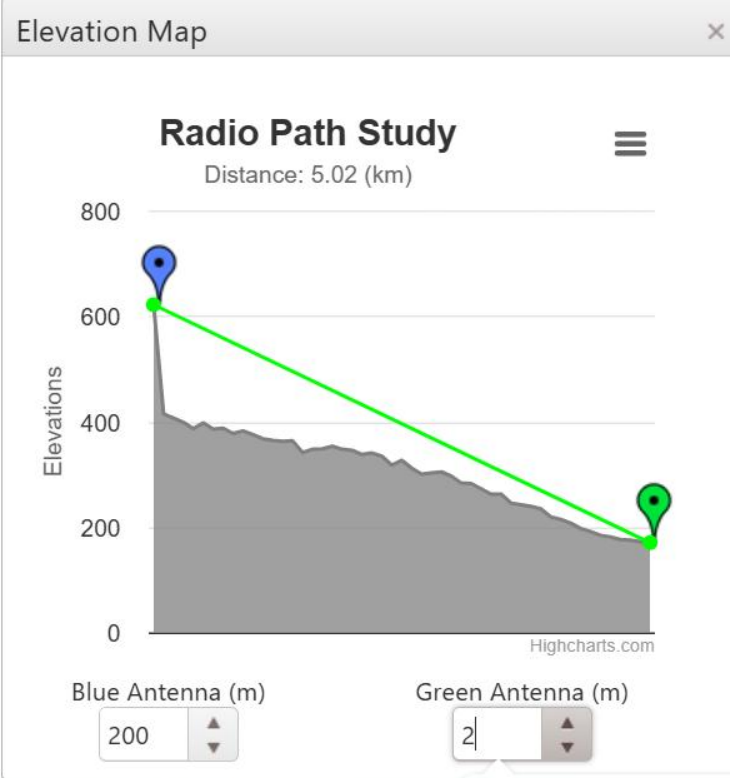
**'It makes no sense': The battle
over plans for a windfarm by
the Yorkshire Dales**

Story by Patrick Barkham,
The Guardian 14 February 2026

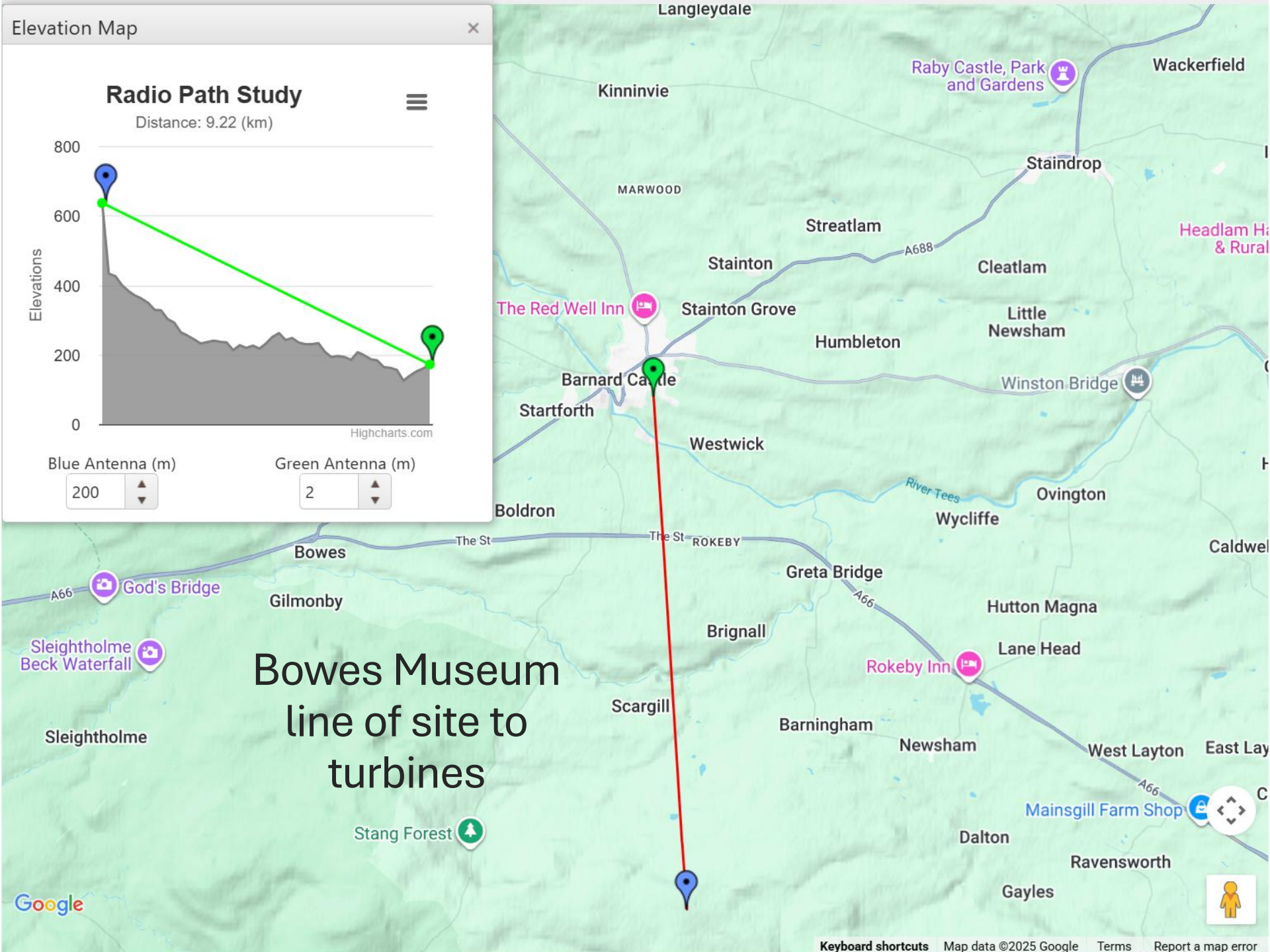
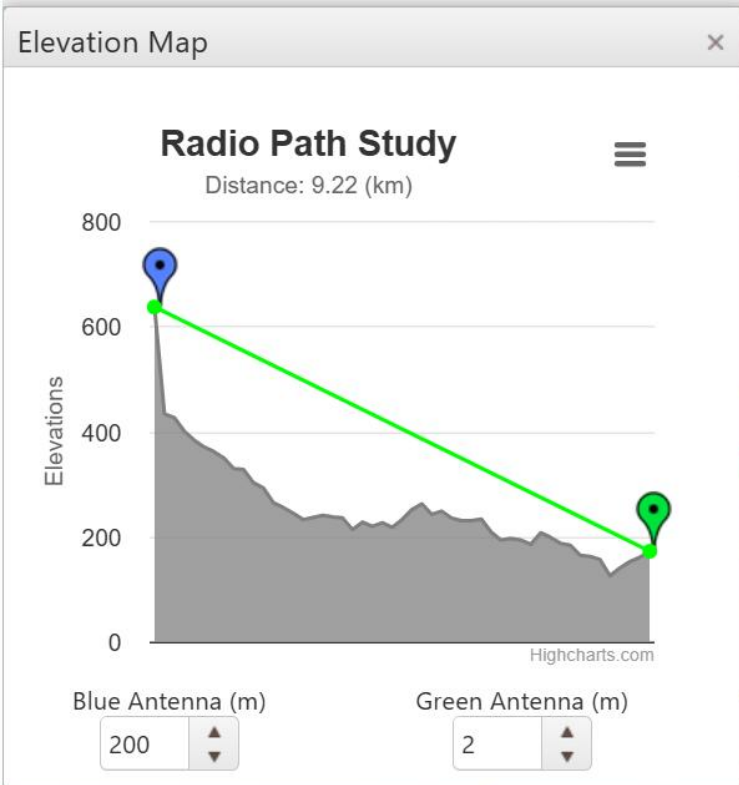
featuring local sculptor Michael Kusz

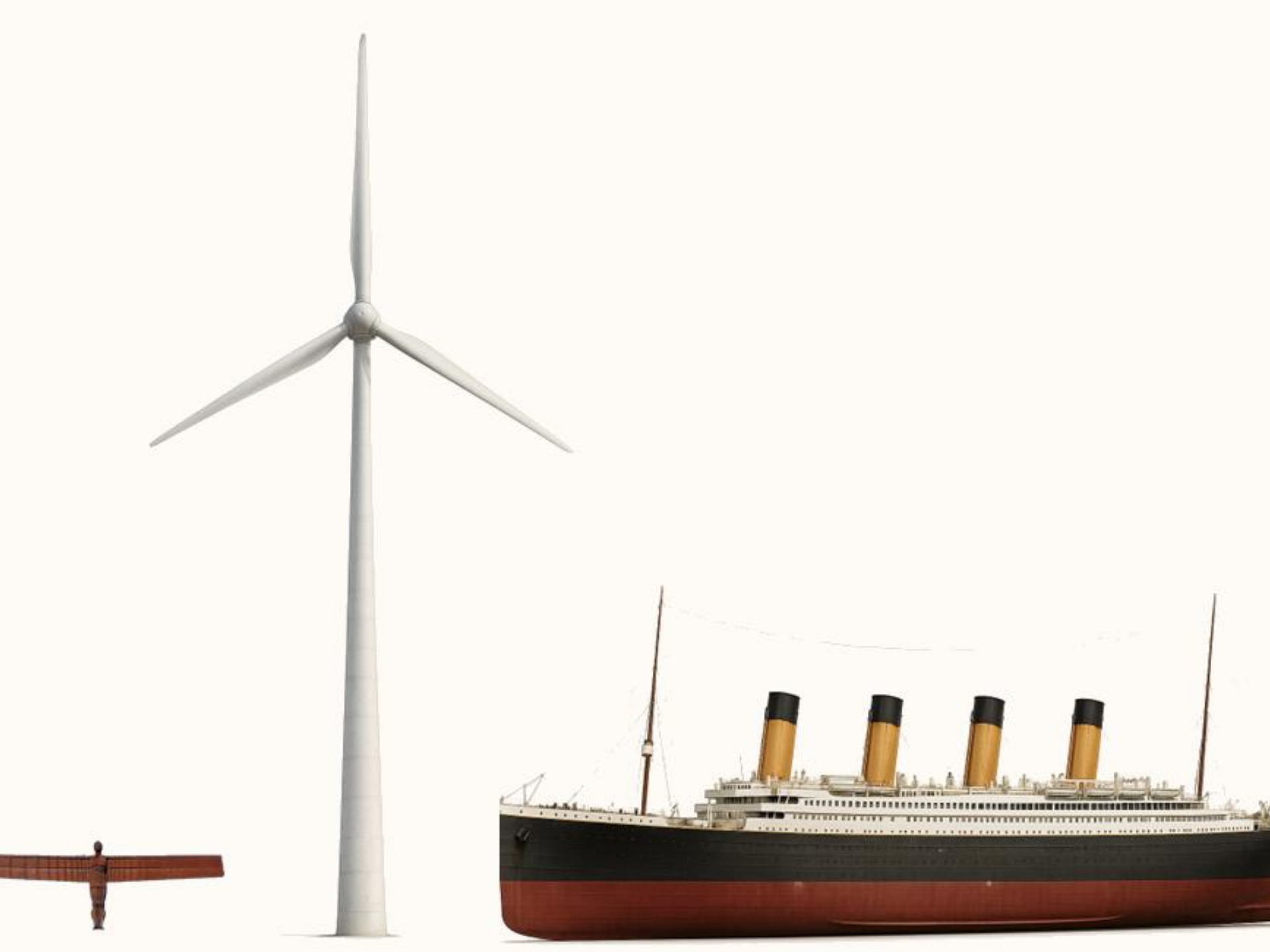


Save our skyline



Newsham line of sight to turbines





**PROPOSED
HILL OF FARE
TURBINES**
200m



**THE
GHERKIN**
180m



**BIG BEN'S
TOWER**
96m



**THE
STATUE
OF
LIBERTY**
93m



**SCOTT
MONUMENT**
61m



**THE
KELPIES**
30m



**THE
ANGEL
OF THE
NORTH**
20m











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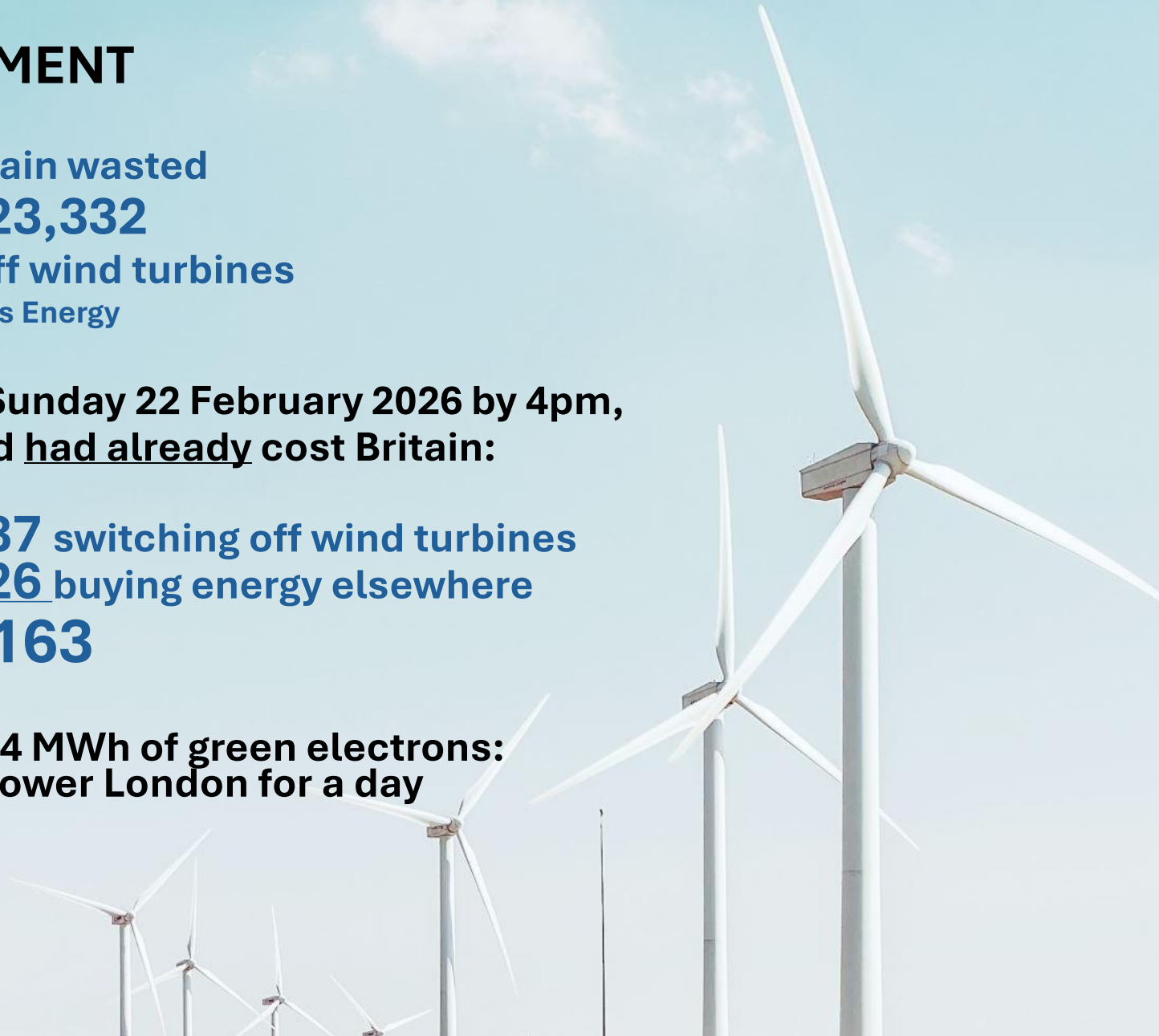
In 2025, Britain wasted
£1,467,023,332
switching off wind turbines

Source: Octopus Energy

Yesterday, Sunday 22 February 2026 by 4pm,
wasted wind had already cost Britain:

£1,007,937 switching off wind turbines
£3,028,226 buying energy elsewhere
£4,036,163

That's 35,334 MWh of green electrons:
enough to power London for a day



**Fred. Olsen
Renewables
Project
Expansion**

**Crystal Rig I 62.5
MW 25 turbines-
OPERATIONAL**

**Crystal Rig II 138
MW 60 turbines
2.3
OPERATIONAL**

**Crystal Rig III
13.8 MW 6
turbines
OPERATIONAL**

**Crystal Rig IV
48.2 MW 11
turbines UNDER
CONSTRUCTION**

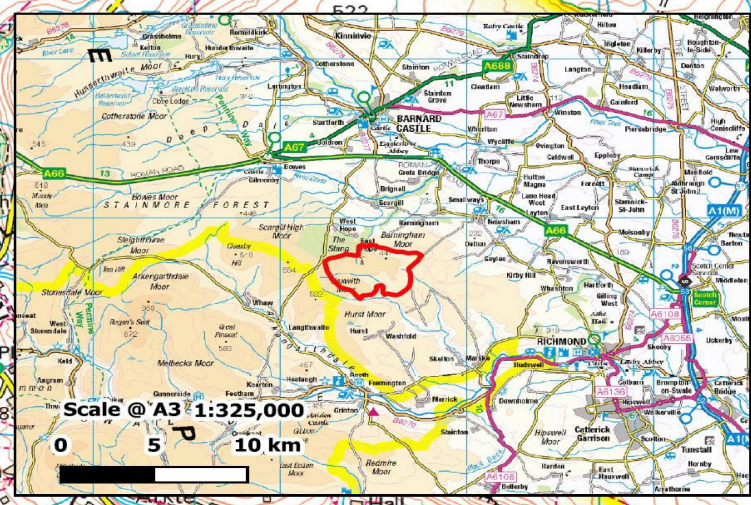
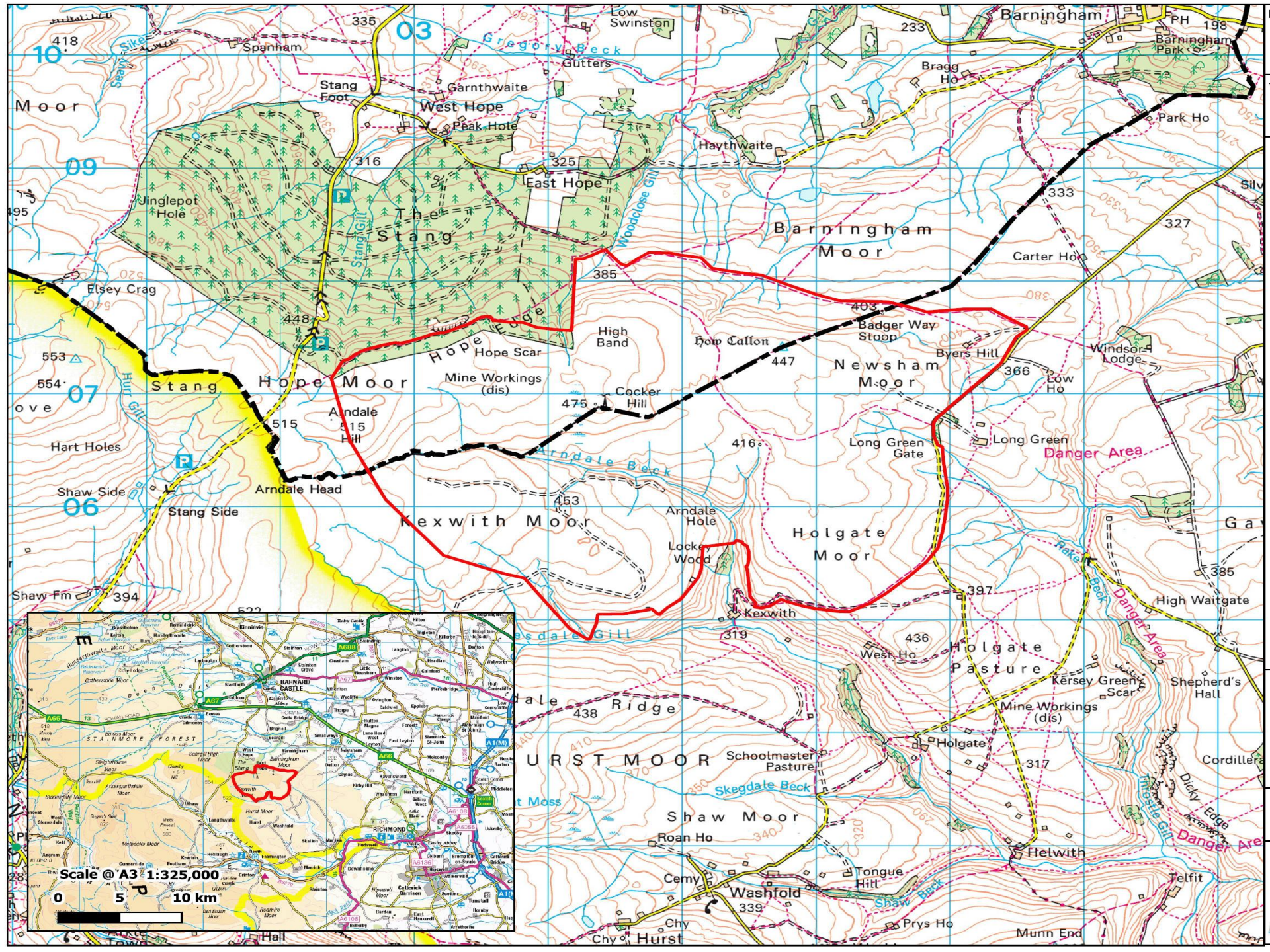
**Crystal Rig
Repower 62.5
MW 10 turbines
DEVELOPMENT**

**Crystal Rig Solar
Farm 27.5 MW
DEVELOPMENT**

**Rothes I 50.6 MW
22 turbines
OPERATIONAL**

**Rothes II 41.4
MW 18 turbines
OPERATIONAL**

**Rothes III 170
MW 28 turbines
DEVELOPMENT**



Scale @ A3 1:325,000







Questions and Actions



Save our skyline