

I am employed by a renewable energy company as a wind farm technician. I have been working in and around turbines daily for more than five years and have not had any ill health effects whatsoever. I am not aware of any of my colleagues having any ill health effects either, many of whom have worked in the wind industry for many years.

Being on site every day, I believe the noise from wind farms to be negligible. While there are times standing at the base of the tower that you can hear a gentle swoosh of the blades, you are quite able to have a normal conversation. The noise of the wind in the trees and grass is normally much louder than any noise from the turbine. I have never found the noise to be annoying or disruptive.

As I have a young family and want them to have the best future possible, I support green energy and believe that we need to reduce our reliance on gas and coal fired electricity. I live with my family in the town of Ararat and I can say that the majority of the local community are very supportive of the wind farm and the benefits it brings to the local area.