I operate a successful lodgings business in High Marishes which is located in the heart of the Vale of Pickering within Ryedale, North Yorkshire and the location of much current fracking focus.

My lodgers are mainly related to tourism sector workers (especially Flamingoland) and I am very concerned about the potential effects of fracking in relation to tourism and, in turn, the effect on my income and business viability.

Ryedale is extremely dependent on tourism revenues with agriculture being the only other main economic activity so that if tourism is undermined through a reduction in visitors then this will have a major detrimental impact across a substantial part of our region.

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