



Lune Valley Visitor Survey

Have you visited the scenic Lune Valley? The River Lune meanders from beyond Sedbergh, by Kirkby Lonsdale to Lancaster, through a timeless landscape of green pastures and ancient stone villages – places such as Hornby with its Grade 1 listed castle and Wray, home to a renowned Scarecrow Festival. In earlier times, the Lune Valley provided inspiration to poets – for example Gray, Ruskin and Wordsworth – and artists – most famously JMW Turner produced numerous masterpieces of the area and in particular the Crook o' Lune, a shepherd's crook-shaped bend in the river near Caton. We believe that this landscape should be protected for generations to come so that our children and grandchildren will be able to visit and be inspired.

However, there are moves to make this valley home to several extremely large industrial scale wind turbine estates which will dwarf the existing development on the moor above Caton. No matter how much you are in favour of or against wind turbines being used to generate electricity in the UK, **we hope that you'll agree that this area should not be a prime target for these developments.**

To assist us in gauging the views of visitors to our area, we'd be grateful if you'd complete the following questionnaire. Please answer as many questions as possible.

How often do you visit the Lune Valley?

Every month Several times a year Rarely

Why do you visit the Valley?

Rambling Shopping (eg Kirkby Lonsdale, Hornby) Art/Photography

Other (please state) _____

Is there anything you particularly like about the Lune Valley?

What are your views on the current Caton Moor wind turbines?

There are proposals to install further turbines on the fells around the valley which will be further within the Forest of Bowland, a designated Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, and above Roeburndale. Do you believe developers should be allowed to override the protected status of the AONBs when submitting plans for wind turbines?

Yes / No

The proposed 20 turbines on Claughton Moor would be almost 40% higher than the current ones at 125 metres. These will obviously be much more prominent than the current 8. If these were allowed do you think they will detract from your enjoyment of the valley?

Yes / No

Do you think areas such as the Lune Valley deserve protection from industrial scale windfarms?

Yes / No

Do you have any further comments?

Please provide your postcode: _____

NB This will be used to determine geographical analysis of our results. Your anonymity will be protected.

When you have completed the questionnaire, please return it as soon as possible, c/o Bowland Experience Ltd., 4 Root Hill Estate Yard, Dunsop Bridge, BB7 3AY or if you prefer simply email (a scanned copy or your written answers) to thelunevalley@gmail.com

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