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[NAS warns against low frequency noise coming from turbines](#)

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Wind farms could produce enough energy to light up about 500,000 homes by utilizing the power coming from the wind. But while environmentalists have backed the installation of at least 200 giant turbines rising 145m each at the Channel, there are increasing concerns about the building of nine wind farm projects off the UK coast.

Yesterday, the Noise Abatement Society (NAS) had issued a warning that villagers living near wind farms could experience sickness from the low frequency noise produced by the turbine blades. The society highlighted a report from the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs which states that low frequency noise could cause annoyance, body vibrations, loss of sleep and stress.

NAS has documented several complaints on the effects of wind farms on health, which have significantly increased in the recent years. For instance, few locals living in close proximity to the Bears Down wind farm in Cornwall tell that they have experienced depression, dizziness, headaches, migraines, nausea, palpitations, sleep disorders, stress anxiety and tinnitus.

Meanwhile, the Royal Yachting Association (RYA) said that the proposed wind farm to be located in the Isle of Wight is of their greatest concern. The wind farm is one of the nine projects to be built in UK waters to deliver 32GW of capacity or one-fourth of the country's required electricity.

Tourism officials are keen as well to know more information about the New Forest project after revelations that the planned wind farm, approximately 12 miles off the coast, can be seen from the shoreline – which could impact the tourism of pebbled beaches along the New Forest coastline.