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Letter to the Editor of the Goulburn Post

The Department of Planning & Infrastructure strongly rejects the central claim made by Humphrey Price-Jones of the NSW Landscape Guardians in your newspaper (“Too close for comfort’, Wednesday 21 December 2011).

Mr Price-Jones claims the Landscape Guardians were told, in a meeting on October 22, that the department had not yet started drafting new guidelines for wind farms.

This is untrue.

Departmental officers made it clear at the meeting that work on the guidelines had commenced. They also made it clear the guidelines were not yet complete and would not be shared with wind farm proponents or opponents until they were completed. This remains the case.

The department has always been open about the fact it consults with all stakeholders on this issue.

Yours sincerely,

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