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## Press Release

### DEFEND LYTHAM SAYS NO TO FRACKING

Defend Lytham is a non-political campaigning organisation set up by local residents to preserve the special character of our town and local environment.

Our aims are

- To protect and preserve our town
- To enhance public awareness of locally important issues
- To protect the Lytham coastal plain and the local environment
- To encourage the development of facilities for the public benefit.
- To promote responsible and sustainable local businesses

Defend Lytham believe that, until it can be proven that the end-to-end process of fracking is safe, and that its negative impacts can be avoided, fracking must not be allowed to go ahead in this area.

- Fracking is an unproven and risky technology, which presents a clear threat to our town.
- Fracking will have an inevitable negative impact on the amenity value of the local area.
- Fracking will damage already fragile local industries like tourism and agriculture.
- Fracking could have a potentially devastating and permanent impact on our local environment.
- Fracking has been associated with significant adverse health impacts which are a cause for serious concern.

As a result we are asking for the support of local people in calling for a moratorium on fracking until the issues above are satisfactorily addressed.

Defend Lytham intend to raise the difficult questions that our local politicians have so far ignored, and press them for answers.

Defend Lytham are holding a stall at Lytham Square each weekend over the next few months where you can join us, find out more, buy merchandise and sign our petition.

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