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# Close encounters of the turbine

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**UFOS have been spotted by HUNDREDS of witnesses close to the wind turbine feared destroyed by an "alien" craft.**

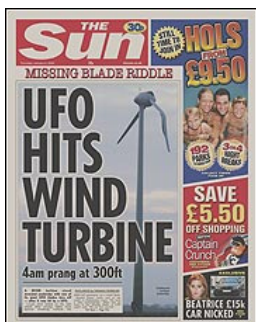
The Sun was bombarded with reports of sightings yesterday after we told how one of the 290ft generator's 65ft blades was ripped off.

Experts have struggled to explain what caused the incident in Conisholme, Lincs, and what was behind the flood of nearby UFO sightings. There have been reports of "flying saucers" for more than six months.

*UFO expert Nick Pope gives his verdict and rating out of five on all theories in our slideshow, below.*

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*But Ministry of Defence insiders offered an intriguing explanation last night and said the UFOs are a secret unmanned stealth bomber on test flights.*



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The black delta-wing craft, called Taranis, is about the same size as the Hawk jet trainers used by the Red Arrows at nearby RAF Scampton. The plane is being developed by Bae Systems to deliver bombs in battlefields like Afghanistan.

It is understood to have been making test runs on the coastal bombing ranges at Donna Nook and North Coates . . . right next to the site of the wrecked turbine.

*Some witnesses have described seeing a craft dubbed the "Octopus UFO" because strands were dangling from it.*

## Respected

Local John Harrison, 32, said he looked out of his window and saw "a massive ball of light with tentacles going right down to the ground".

Other respected witnesses, such as local council chairman Robert Palmer and GP Jenny Watson, described seeing "streaking white lights".



Wrecked ... wind turbine

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Strange goings-on ... could alien activity really be responsible?

Eric Goring, 61, first noticed eerie goings-on last summer. They have recurred with such frequency Eric began thinking aliens were trying to abduct him.

He said of one close encounter in September: "I saw one come from the fields. I almost walked under it as it was just hovering 200ft above me. I didn't want to go too near it as I was worried they might beam me up."

Shaun Hodson, 30, told how he watched an object in the sky on Sunday. The marketing executive said: "I stood and watched it, transfixed. It was like nothing I have seen before."

Dale Vince, spokesman for Ecotricity, the firm which owns the windfarm, said experts had failed to come up with an explanation for the damage. He said: "We are struggling to find an answer."

But a Ministry of Defence insider said: "We have to log all reports of UFOs. But in virtually all the cases there is a simple explanation — and test flights are a common one."

But a theory by Emily Bell, a local blogger for a small newspaper group, that the UFOs were fireworks from her dad's 80th birthday party were branded ridiculous.

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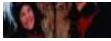


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