

## UFO sightings prompt 'energy' theory

The possibility that an energy phenomenon might have caused numerous UFO sightings near Windley is being considered by the Derby Group of the Nottingham UFO Investigation Society.

Last week Mrs Marian Thomson reported seeing a strange object in the sky for several nights and added that the same or similar object had haunted the area for several years.

NUFOIS, in conjunction with the UFO Investigators' Network, has issued a statement this week which reveals: "Far more people in the locality witnessed UFO sightings than had at first been thought," and that similar sightings have been made in the area over a number of years.

The statement continues: "Investigators are now almost certain that what has been seen is not Sirius or some other astronomical body and as the objects have been observed when aircraft were also present, it is reasonably certain that they are not planes."

One witness claimed to have seen three objects apparently attacking each other — but this could have been caused by two of them crossing the path of the third from opposite directions.

"The investigators suspect that the cause of the sightings may well be attributable to some form of energy phenomenon of which there are several kinds, though at this stage they feel unable to specify any type as being the likely candidate," concluded the statement.

### INFORMATION

Whatever the cause, further information is urgently required and anyone who feels they may have witnessed a sighting within two miles of Windley would be doing the investigators a service by contacting them.

The number to ring is Derby 559293 and all calls will be dealt with in complete confidence.

A series of sightings of coloured light balls made in Ashbourne towards the end of 1979 were explained at the time as the natural phenomenon known as Kugelblitz or ball lightning.