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Meteors?

EXPERTS were yesterday studying reports of a spectacular blue fireball blazing a trail over Britain last night.

Hundreds of people raised the alarm after seeing the bright light streak across the sky, changing colour from yellow to greenish blue before bursting into a shower of sparks.

Many rang police claiming they had seen a UFO while others feared they had witnessed a burning aeroplane.

But experts said the object was almost certainly a lump of space rock – probably a small fragment of an asteroid – burning up in the atmosphere to produce a brilliant “fireball”.

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