

MARINE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2010 THE MARINE LICENSING (PRE-APPLICATION CONSULTATION) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2013

MachairWind Limited, wholly owned by ScottishPower Renewables (UK) Limited, is developing the MachairWind Offshore Windfarm (MachairWind), located northwest of Islay and west of Colonsay. Notice is hereby given of forthcoming statutory pre-application consultation by MachairWind Limited relating to the proposed works and licensable marine activities associated with MachairWind. The consultation will provide an update following the first MachairWind pre-application consultation relating to the windfarm development area (May to July 2025).

The proposed works and licensable marine activities comprise the construction, operation and decommissioning of an offshore windfarm (a renewable energy structure) using fixed foundations and associated infrastructure comprising inter-array cables between the turbines, offshore substation platforms and link cables between the platforms (if required), within a defined Windfarm Development Area (WDA). The WDA extends to a maximum area of 448km² and lies within Plan Option W1 (an area of 754km²), as designated within the Scottish Government's Sectoral Marine Plan – Offshore Wind Energy (2020). MachairWind is located within the 12 nautical miles boundary of the Scottish Marine Area defined under the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010.

MachairWind intends to apply to the Scottish Ministers for two marine licences (one for the generation assets and one for the transmission assets within the WDA) and related consents, including consent to construct and operate an electricity generating station under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989, for the proposed works and licensable activities within the MachairWind WDA. Separate consent applications for related electricity transmission infrastructure outside of the WDA (export cables, landfall and onshore works) will be progressed at a later date and do not form part of the current proposals.

A period of statutory pre-application consultation will take place over 6 weeks from 20th October to 30th November 2025. Six public consultation events will be held:

- Tuesday 21st October, from 10.30am to 2pm, Port Mor, Port Charlotte, Islay
- Tuesday 21st October, from 4pm to 7.30pm, Ramsay Hall, Port Ellen, Islay
- Wednesday 22nd October, from 3pm to 7pm, Jura Village Hall, Jura
- Thursday 23rd October, from 3pm to 7pm, Colonsay Village Hall, Colonsay
- Tuesday 28th October, from 4pm to 7.30pm, Iona Village Hall, Iona
- Wednesday 29th October, from 3pm to 7pm, Bunessan Hall, Mull

Details of the proposals will be available at the public consultation events. A virtual consultation room will be available on the project website. MachairWind will hold two webinars on Microsoft Teams on Thursday 6th November at 6.30pm to 7.30pm, and Tuesday 18th November at 6.30pm to 7.30pm. To register for the webinars, please email: machairwind@scottishpower.com

An information booklet and feedback form will be available to collect at the public events, pick up from Service Points and Trust offices, and download from the project website from 20th October. There will be opportunity to provide feedback on the proposals in writing by emailing machairwind@scottishpower.com and by post: MachairWind Team, ScottishPower HQ, 320 St Vincent St, Glasgow, G2 5AD.

All feedback from this consultation period must be received by Sunday 30th November 2025 to be taken into account by MachairWind Limited. Information on the WDA proposals will be available on the project website once the consultation launches on Monday 20th October 2025 at: www.machairwind.co.uk

Please note any comments made to the prospective applicant during this pre-application consultation are not representations to the Scottish Ministers or any other consenting body. If the prospective applicant, MachairWind Limited, proceeds in submitting an application for a marine license, there will be an opportunity for formal representations to be made to the Scottish Ministers via Marine Directorate - Licensing Operations Team (MD-LOT) upon application submission.