

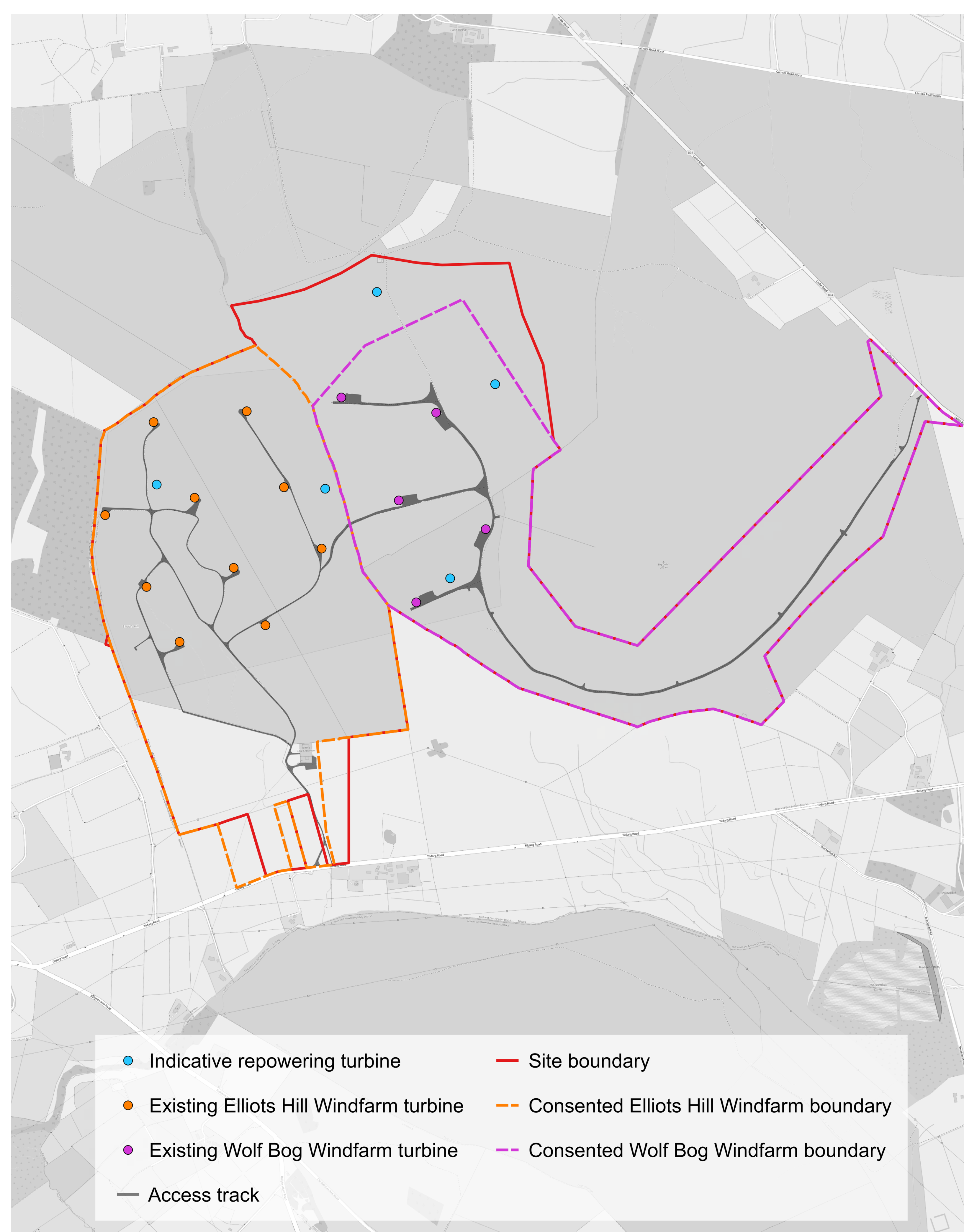


Welcome to the Elliotts Hill & Wolf Bog Windfarm Repowering Public Information Event

The Proposed Development

The proposed development is the repowering of the existing operational Elliotts Hill Windfarm and Wolf Bog Windfarm located in County Antrim, 7 km to the northwest of Ballyclare and 10 km southeast of Ballymena.

Currently, Elliotts Hill Windfarm and Wolf Bog Windfarm have a combined total of 15 turbines, generating 15 megawatts across two sites. The Elliotts Hill & Wolf Bog Windfarm Repowering project will consist of fewer wind turbines, approximately 5, with blade tip heights of up to 150 metres.



Indicative Layout

An indicative turbine layout has been developed for the purposes of scoping the environmental impact assessment (EIA) requirements for repowering the site. This maximises the energy production whilst considering the environmental constraints that are known from the windfarms' existing operations, public data resources, and desktop studies. The layout will continue to be refined as part of the EIA process, informed by ongoing surveys, technical studies, and stakeholder consultation. As the design advances, a subsequent public information event will be held to present the updated proposals to the public.

How to Contact Us

After you have viewed the information displays introducing Elliotts Hill & Wolf Bog Windfarm Repowering, we invite you to complete a short questionnaire before you leave and we welcome any questions or feedback you may have. Our team can also be contacted at any time using the below contact details.

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What is Repowering?

As a long-standing renewables developer, we're on the cusp of full circle moments at our oldest windfarms as the turbines come to the end of their operational life.

The legacy those projects leave goes way beyond the power they've generated over the years. We've been able to create local jobs and support our sector's supply chain, to drive positive economic contribution at a local and national level, have been a part of

exploring the latest technological advances and approaches and all whilst working closely with the communities we operate in and around.

But the exciting part is that even when the turbines on some of our sites approach their original operational lifespan, that's not the end. We have so many fantastic opportunities to do even more with them via life extension works and by repowering our windfarm sites.

What are the benefits?

- increased electricity generation = increased security of supply
- building & maintaining new assets = jobs and supply chain opportunities
- more generation from windfarm = more community benefit funding to share
- new technologies available = increased efficiency – sometimes up to 10x the capacity of the original windfarm, with fewer turbines
- repowered site = further investment in ecology and the local environment
- old assets = sustainable resources for research & training, recycling and restoration into assets like bus shelters and other re-usable components

Visit a SPR Repowering case study video here:





Elliotts Hill & Wolf Bog Windfarm Repowering is a ScottishPower Renewables (SPR) Project

About Us

SPR is part of the ScottishPower group of companies operating in the UK under Iberdrola, one of the world's largest integrated utility companies and a world leader in wind energy. ScottishPower now only produces 100% green electricity. Its focus is on wind energy, smart grids and driving the change to a cleaner, electric future.

At SPR, we are committed to developing renewable energy responsibly. We strive to be a good neighbour in all aspects of our work and are committed to Mid and East Antrim and the surrounding area, and to maximising the opportunities for local communities to benefit from our projects.

We aim to find the best balance of constraints; to confirm that no impact from our developments is unacceptable; and to demonstrate that the benefits of our projects add real value, are wide-reaching and shared with the community.

Ambitions and Achievements

- ScottishPower is the UK's first integrated energy company producing 100% green energy.
- Committed to sustainability and decarbonisation, Iberdrola aims to achieve net-zero emissions in all its activities by 2040.
- SPR are prioritising community engagement and working collaboratively with the communities who host our onshore windfarms throughout the project lifecycle from development and construction through operation to repower.

To find out more about SPR, scan the QR code:





Community Benefit and History in the Region

ScottishPower Renewables has been working alongside communities across the UK for nearly two decades and has to date contributed more than £73 million in benefit funds to support initiatives and projects for those communities local to our windfarm sites.

Over £390,000 of community benefit has been used to support valuable community led initiatives and projects in Northern Ireland. Repowering Elliots Hill and Wolf Bog Windfarms will further increase community benefit funds available to neighbouring communities within the local area of County Antrim.

Operational since 1995, our Elliots Hill Windfarm is one of Northern Ireland's oldest Windfarms. SPR has been a neighbour for many years, generating cleaner power and providing socio-economic benefits to local communities. We also own and operate Callagheen, Corkey, Rigged Hill and Wolf Bog Windfarms in Northern Ireland.

With the development of these sites nearby, SPR is continuing the history of working positively with local communities in the region. The flexible approach adopted by SPR has empowered local communities to decide what the community benefit is spent on.

This has resulted in a fantastic diversity of projects being delivered from improving local amenities, including town halls, community owned assets and local youth clubs, to supporting work experience places, educational workshops and much more.

We are also keen to create employment opportunities during the construction and operation of our windfarms that can be delivered locally to benefit those who live near our sites.



Planning Application Process

We are at the pre-application stage and are undertaking consultations (pre-application discussions) with Mid & East Antrim Borough Council and their statutory consultees on a range of planning and environmental considerations.

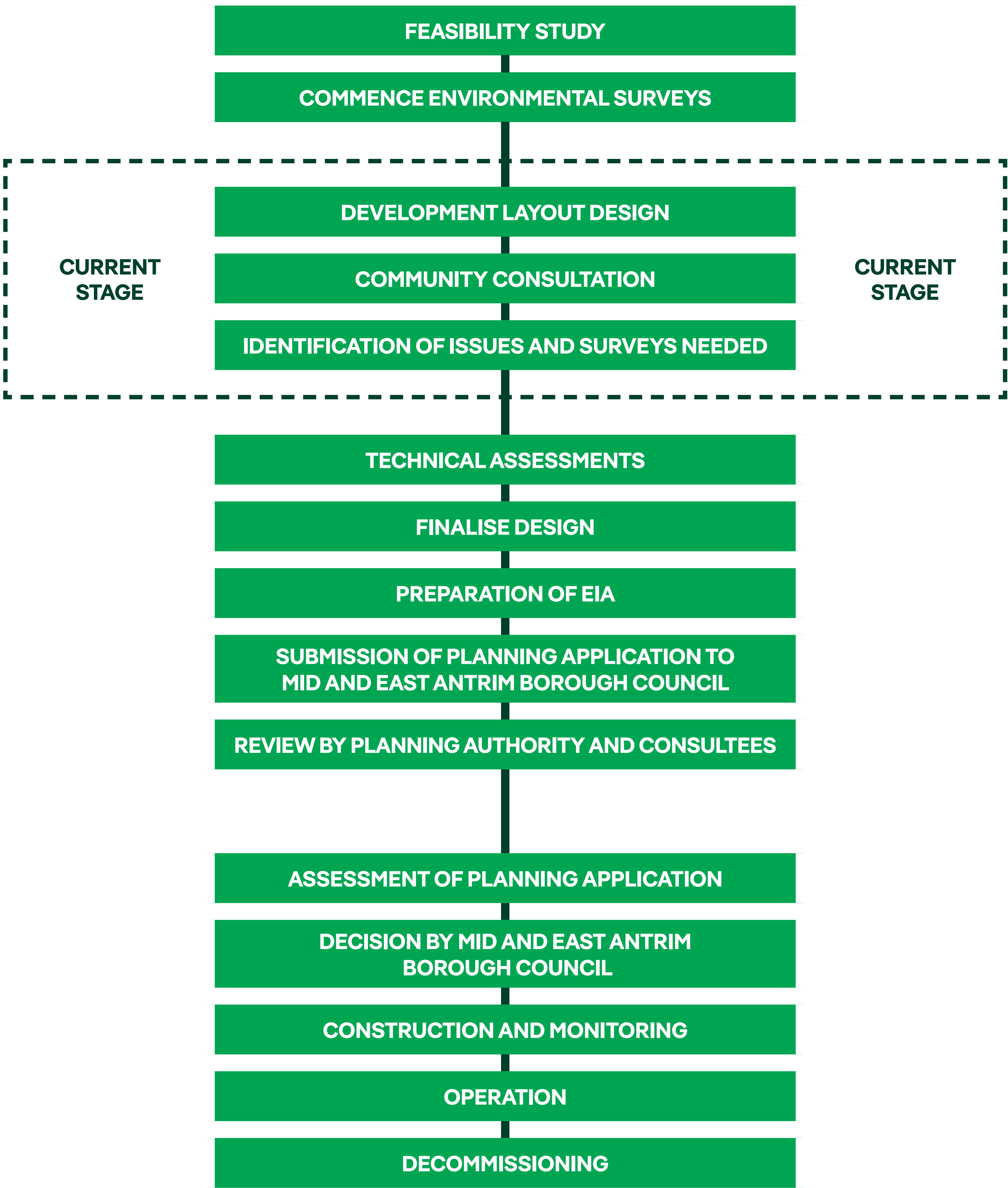
We are also carrying out pre-application community consultation events, including this event, to update local communities on the project and seek feedback.

In June 2025, a scoping report for the environmental impact assessment (EIA) of the Elliotts Hill & Wolf Bog Windfarm Repowering Project was submitted to Mid & East Antrim Borough Council. As part of the EIA process, this scoping report outlines our draft approach and invites consultees to comment on the proposed scope of the assessment.

As the EIA progresses, the layout and design of the proposed development will continue to evolve, accounting for environmental considerations and feedback from stakeholders.

The results of the EIA will be presented in a document called an Environmental Statement, which will be submitted as part of the application for consent to Mid & East Antrim Borough Council.

We are aiming to submit the planning application, including the Environmental Statement, in late 2026. Upon receipt of the planning application, Mid & East Antrim Borough Council will start the formal planning application determination process. Prior to submission of the planning application, further public information events will be held to explain how the project has evolved during the EIA and consultation.



Environmental Considerations

The following key considerations will be assessed during the environmental impact assessment (EIA) and findings documented in an Environmental Statement. This will ensure a thorough examination of the environmental effects of the proposed development and its alignment with regulatory standards and best practices.

<div>Hydrology, Geology and Hydrogeology</div>	<p>This assessment will consider the hydrological, geological and hydrogeological characteristics of the proposed development.</p> <p>Field surveys will be carried out to determine baseline conditions, such as peat depth, peat condition and the presence of watercourses. Private water supplies and sensitive receptors will also be identified.</p> <p>Likely significant effects of the proposed development on identified sensitive receptors will then be assessed. Where necessary, measures to avoid or minimise adverse effects will be incorporated into the project’s design and layout. Any remaining effects after these mitigation measures have been applied, known as residual effects, will also be evaluated to determine their significance.</p>
<div>Ecology</div>	<p>The ecological assessment will identify effects of decommissioning, construction and operation on ecologically sensitive receptors. The assessment will include the local wildlife sites within 2 km of the site; and protected species and habitats on the site. Operational effects on bats will also be considered.</p> <p>Infrastructure from the existing operational Elliots Hill and Wolf Bog Windfarms that would not be required for the proposed development, would be decommissioned and restored. In addition, SPR will seek to offset any habitat loss caused by construction activities through the creation and/ or restoration of appropriate habitats, supported by a biodiversity enhancement scheme.</p>
<div>Noise</div>	<p>This assessment will assess the noise emitted during the decommissioning, construction and operational phases of the proposed development. It will predict how much noise may be experienced by nearby homes and other noise-sensitive locations, and whether these levels meet established noise limits.</p> <p>The assessment of noise from decommissioning and construction activities will identify any periods when noise levels may exceed standard guidelines, taking into account the rural character of the area. The aim is to determine whether specific noise management measures are needed, and if so, what types of measures would be appropriate to keep noise within acceptable levels, if and when predicted noise levels may be above standard guideline limits.</p> <p>For operational noise from turbines, noise levels will be calculated and compared with noise limits set by recognised standards and guidance. The assessment will also consider other planned and existing windfarms within 10 km of the site to predict the combined levels of noise.</p>



Environmental Considerations

Ornithology

Ornithology surveys have been ongoing at the site since 2023. The data gathered, along with historical and publicly available information, will be used to assess the potential effects of the proposed development on features of ornithological interest.

Typical features of ornithological interest are:

- designated sites, such as Special Protection Areas (SPAs), Ramsar sites, Areas of Special Scientific Interest; and
- national and international protected species.

The assessment of potential effects to ornithology features will include consideration of:

- collision risk;
- disturbance of species; and
- loss of habitat.

Where significant effects are likely, mitigation measures will be proposed. These may include adjusting the location of infrastructure (micro-siting), restricting activities during sensitive time periods, enhancing habitats, or implementing long-term management plans.

An assessment of any residual effects will also be carried out, and the overall findings will inform any Habitat Regulations Assessment, if required.

Cultural Heritage

The assessment will focus on the construction and operational phases of the proposed development. During construction, potential effects may include direct physical disturbance to previously unknown archaeological remains beneath the surface of the site. The operational phase effects will be those that have direct impact upon the setting of regionally important monuments, such as Big Collin to the east of the site, as well as historic gardens and listed buildings in the surrounding area.

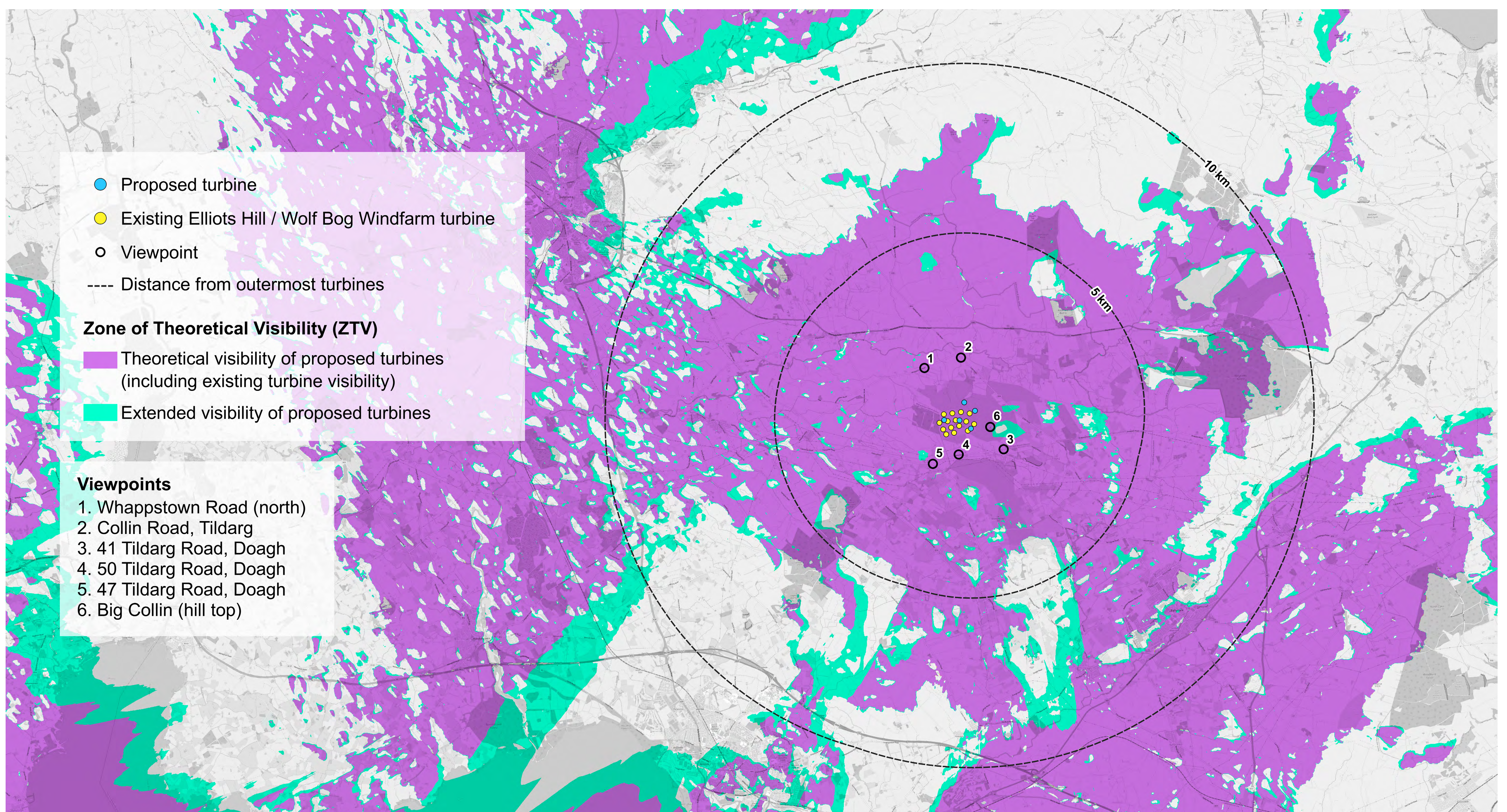
The assessment process will include a review of existing records; consultation with key authorities such as the Historic Environment Division (HED), site walkover surveys, and viewpoint analysis. It will be carried out in accordance with local development plans and HED guidance.

Site Access and Traffic

Access, traffic and movement will be assessed to quantify the impact of the proposed development on the public road network and to assess the significance of any associated effects such as:

- severance to road access;
- vehicle driver and passenger delays; and
- hazards from large loads.

The assessment will guide traffic management planning requirements for the proposed development.



Landscape and Visual Amenity

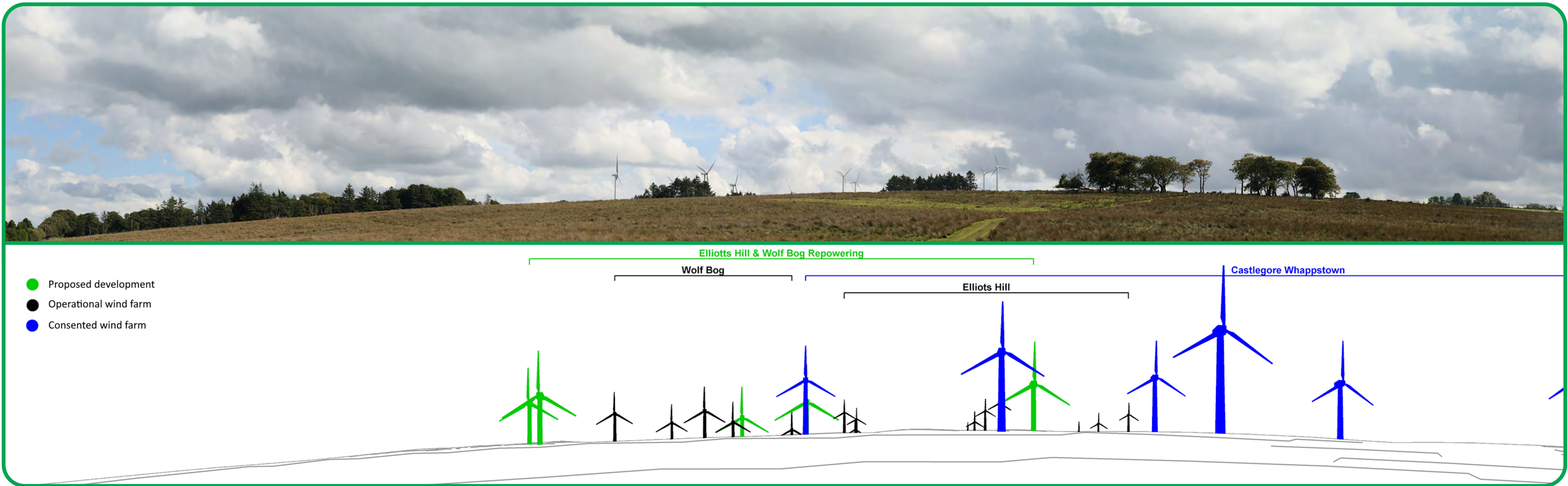
A landscape and visual impact assessment (LVIA) will identify and record the potential significant effects that the proposed development may have on physical elements of the landscape character, landscape areas that have been designated for their scenic or landscape-related qualities, and views from various locations such as settlements, transportation routes and other sensitive locations.

The landscape architect will be providing layout and design advice on landscape and visual matters and undertaking the LVIA for the proposed development.

The LVIA will include assessment of the following:

- landscape character and designations within 30 km of the proposed development;
- visual effects on representative viewpoints selected to illustrate the view from recreational routes, locations and residential areas;
- visual effects on views from properties within 2 km and settlements within 10-15 km of the proposed development;
- views from vehicles using the local and main road networks;
- visual effects associated with aviation warning lighting on the repower turbines; and
- cumulative effects when considered alongside other developments.

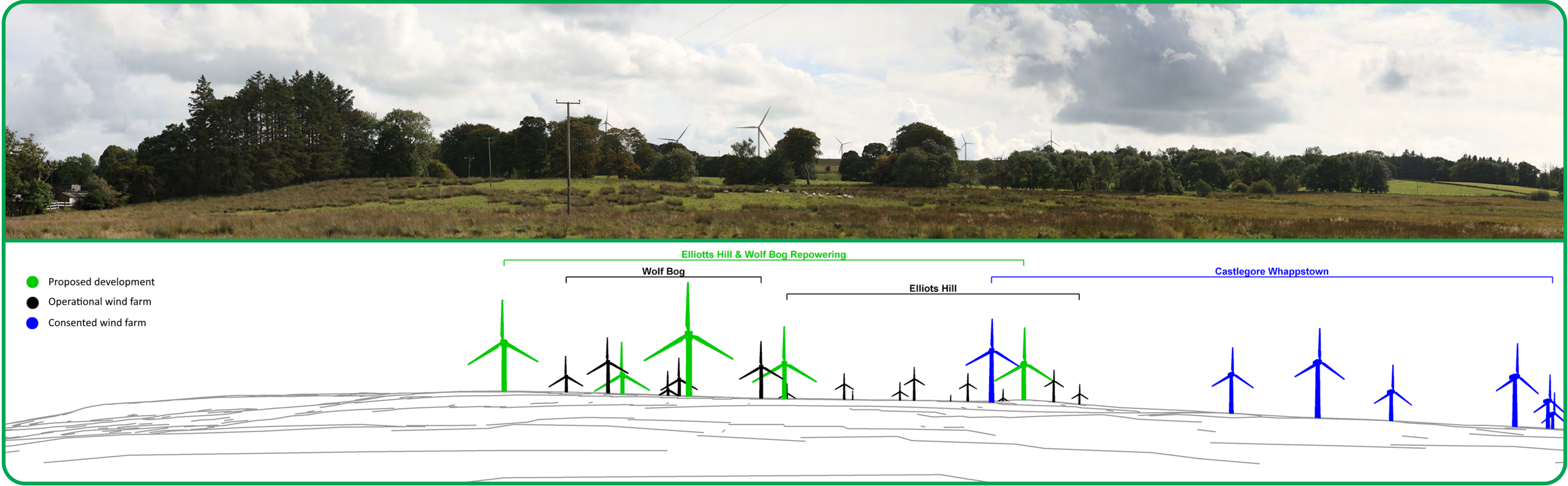
Fieldwork will include visits to the site and the wider area more generally to assess potential effects on views, landscape character areas and designated landscapes.



Viewpoint 1: Comparison of current baseline photograph to the Elliotts Hill & Wolf Bog Repowering Wireline



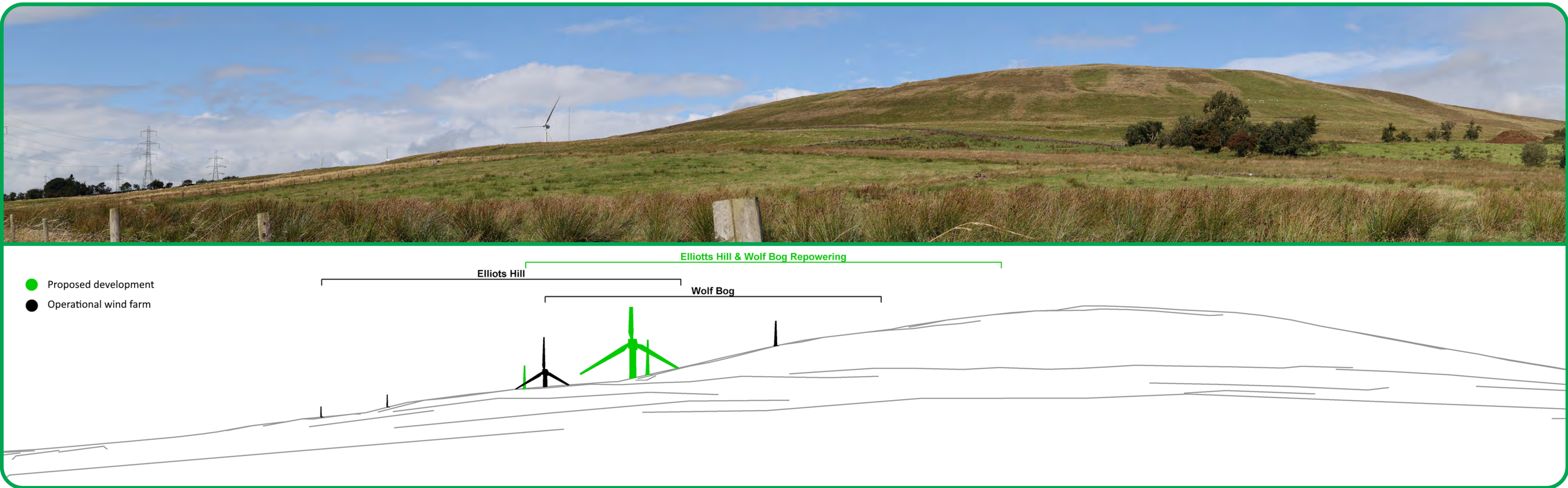
Viewpoint 1: Elliotts Hill & Wolf Bog Repowering Photomontage



Viewpoint 2: Comparison of current baseline photograph to the Elliotts Hill & Wolf Bog Repowering Wireline



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Viewpoint 3: Comparison of current baseline photograph to the Elliotts Hill & Wolf Bog Repowering Wireline



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Viewpoint 4: Comparison of current baseline photograph to the Elliotts Hill & Wolf Bog Repowering Wireline



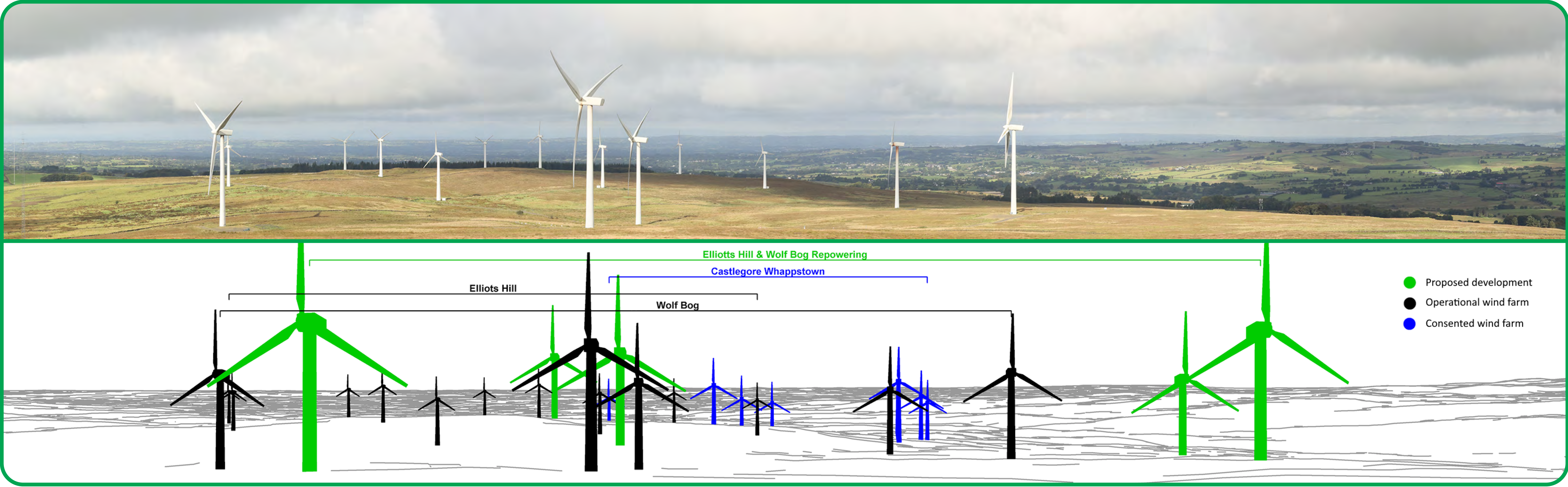
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Viewpoint 5: Comparison of current baseline photograph to the Elliotts Hill & Wolf Bog Repowering Wireline



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Viewpoint 6: Comparison of current baseline photograph to the Elliotts Hill & Wolf Bog Repowering Wireline



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Have Your Say

Sharing your views will help us understand what matters to you.

You can provide your feedback to us in one of the following ways:

- Talking to a member of the Elliotts Hill & Wolf Bog Repowering team here today
- Completing and returning a feedback form to our feedback box here today
- Taking away a feedback form and returning it via post
- Scanning the QR code below
- Emailing us at: **ehwbwindfarmrepowering@scottishpower.com**
- Or by writing to us:

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Glasgow, Scotland G2 5AD

This consultation period will run from 24th September 2025 to 24th October 2025 to allow for members of the public to review the proposals and send their feedback.

We will hold a second round of consultation next year. The second consultation period will show how your feedback has been incorporated into the design and decision-making process and provide further opportunity for you to view our proposal.

All feedback received will be considered and summarised in a Pre-Application Community Consultation Report to the Mid & East Antrim Borough Council once a planning application is lodged.

Please scan the QR opposite to learn more about our project and provide feedback online

