

Euchanhead Renewable Energy Development

Additional Environmental Information
Chapter 6: Scoping and Consultation



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Abbreviations

Additional Environmental Information	AEI
Environmental Impact Assessment	EIA

6. Scoping and Consultation

6.1. Introduction

Chapter 6: Scoping and Consultation, of the Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIA Report) sets out the Scoping process that was undertaken as part of the EIA for the proposed Development. It also details additional consultation that has been undertaken in respect of the proposed Development with consultees.

6.2. Post Submission Consultee Response

Since submission of the Euchanhead Renewable Energy Development application in 2020, consultation responses have been received from consultees on various elements of the application. Where required, responses have been issued (prior to this Additional Environmental Information (AEI) to the relevant consultees in order to address questions and concerns. Where considered appropriate, consultee responses are addressed within the relevant chapters of this AEI document (**AEI Chapters 7 – 15**).

This AEI has been produced, primarily, as a result of design changes which have been proposed following discussions with Dumfries and Galloway Council's landscape architect. **Table 6:1** provides a summary of this post submission consultation.

Table 6:1 – Post Submission Dumfries and Galloway Council's Landscape Architect Consultation

Consultee	Summary of Consultee Response	Comment/Where Addressed in AEI
Dumfries and Galloway Council (DGC) Landscape Architect Response Date: 29 March 2023	Removal of some consistently problematic turbines would greatly improve the fit of the scheme, both to underlying landscape and also other established wind farm developments. I consider the key problematic turbines to be: 9, 10, 11, and 19, 20, 21. These raise issues across between 4 and 9 viewpoints, and I recommend their removal.	This was noted by the Applicant who began looking at amendments to the Site layout in order to address some of these concerns. The Applicant looked to arrange a design meeting with DGC (and other relevant consultees) in order to discuss appropriate amendments to the design of the proposed Development.
Dumfries and Galloway Council (DGC) – Design Meeting and subsequent email Response Date: 20 June 2024	At the design meeting options were put forward and discussed regarding the removal of some wind turbines and the reduction in height of some others. DGC (via email) confirmed that should the Site layout be amended to remove Turbines No. 20 and No.21, and reduce the blade tip heights (from 230m to 200m) of Turbines No. 9, No. 10, No. 11, No. 18, and No.19, that this would address their key landscape and visual related concerns.	Turbines No. 20 and 21 have been removed, and Turbines No.9, 10, 11, 18 and 19 have reduced in height from 230m to 200m. The landscape and visual impact assessment (considering these design amendments) is contained in Chapter 7 of this AEI.
Civil Aviation Authority	The key potential impacts on aviation have been identified. Specifically, we would	The Aviation Lighting proposed has been amended



<p>Response Date: 23 December 2020</p>	<p>note that the Air Navigation Order, Article 222, requires all obstacles that may pose a hazard to aircraft, including wind turbines, above 150 metres must be lit. The report notes that a range of mitigation options has been considered as set out in the Aviation Lighting Landscape and Visual Impact Mitigation Plan, such as the use of an aircraft detection lighting system to limit illumination of the aviation lighting to times when low flying aircraft are within range. Any such variation to full compliance with the Air Navigation Order must be agreed with the CAA and a variation to the lighting requirements specified in the ANO Article issued by the CAA, under Article 222 section 6.</p>	<p>from that what was submitted with the 2020 EIA Report. It is proposed that 12 wind turbines would be fitted with a Medium Intensity Obstruction Light. The Applicant has received approval for this reduced lighting proposal from the CAA, and it is also included in this AEI within AEI Technical Appendix 15.4: Reduced Aviation Lighting Scheme.</p>
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