UNSHINAGH WIND FARM Environmental Statement

Pre-Application Community Consultation Report







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1. Introduction

This Pre-Application Community Consultation (PACC) Report outlines how RES has engaged and communicated with the local community to inform them about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm, hereinafter referred to as the 'Development', located in the townlands of Drumourne, Unshinagh Mountain, Unshinagh South, Ticloy, Slane, Cregcattan (part of Galdanagh) and Aughareamlagh, approximately four kilometres west of Carnlough. It explains how and when the community was consulted before the planning application was submitted to the Department of Infrastructure Planning (DFI) and how this consultation has shaped the proposed Development.

On 27th July 2021, RES submitted a Proposal of Application Notice (Form PAN 1) to DFI Planning outlining the form of consultation which RES proposed to undertake. The PACC Report summarises each of those activities and details how comments received from the community were considered, indicating if any changes or mitigating measures have been included in the proposal.

2. RES' Commitment to Consultation

RES is the world's largest independent renewable energy company. At the forefront of the industry for 40 years, RES has delivered more than 22GW of renewable energy projects across the globe and supports an operational asset portfolio exceeding 7.5GW worldwide for a large client base. RES is active in 10 countries working across onshore and offshore wind, solar, energy storage and transmission and distribution.

RES has developed 22 onshore wind farms in Northern Ireland totalling 246MW and operates over 88.7MW of wind capacity across Northern Ireland, has secured planning permission for a further 109.9MW awaiting construction and has 80MW in the planning system.

RES is committed to finding effective and appropriate ways of consulting with all its stakeholders, including local residents and community organisations, and believes that the views of local people are an integral part of the development process. We want to be good neighbours to the communities that host our renewable energy projects and will listen to and address questions or concerns that interested parties might have. A comprehensive process that engages with local people and stakeholders at an early stage allows an informed debate that helps us identify issues of potential concern, explore solutions and design a project that will be welcomed as a positive asset by the local community.

3. Statutory Requirements and Best Practice Guidance

On 1st July 2015 a statutory duty on developers to consult with the local community, in advance of submitting a planning application for major and regionally significant development proposals, was introduced.

The legislation requires developers to submit a 'Proposal of Application Notice (PAN)' 12 weeks before submitting a formal planning application for 'Major' applications. The PAN explains how a prospective applicant will engage with the local community and sets out a timetable for the engagement. Once a planning authority receives a PAN, they have 21 days to consider the proposal. RES submitted a PAN to DFI Planning on 27th July 2021. On 17th August 2021 RES received a letter from DFI stating that they had considered the PAN and considered that it contained sufficient information with regards to community consultation measures and, therefore, it was compliant with Section 27 of the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 and the Planning (Development Management) (Temporary Modifications) (Coronavirus) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020 as amended.

The DFI requested that local tourism bodies within 5km of the proposal site and additional parties were consulted on the forthcoming public event and/or provided with information leaflets accordingly. RES agreed and organised for an information leaflet regarding the event to be provided to these groups and bodies.

The guidance suggests that a period of at least 12 weeks should be allowed to undertake the community consultation before submission of an application, and that the pre- application consultation should include a least one public event. Under the Planning (Development Management) (Temporary Modifications) (Coronavirus) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020 as amended, the public event should be undertaken virtually.

The guidance also recommends a dedicated website as a suitable channel of communication.

4. Consultation Methodology

The purpose of pre-application community consultation is to improve, where possible, the quality of the proposed planning application by considering public opinions and addressing, wherever possible, any issues raised by stakeholders. It is also intended that any interested stakeholders have access to up-to-date and accurate information regarding the proposal and the opportunity to provide feedback that could be considered prior to the proposed planning application being finalised and submitted.

4.1 Pre-consultation preparation

Prior to undertaking formal public consultation RES undertook desk-based research to identify key stakeholders which are located within the vicinity of the Development. Those identified included:

- Landowners involved in the Unshinagh Wind Farm
- Elected political representatives for Mid & East Antrim Council Coast Road and Braid District Electoral Areas (DEA)
- East Antrim MLAs and MP
- Community groups, churches and schools
- Closest householders

4.2 Consultation

The formal consultation began on 27th July 2021. A combination of the following methods was used to inform stakeholders (listed in the above section) about the Development, and subsequently to ascertain their views.

4.2.1 Submitted Proposal of Application Notice - 27th July 2021

RES submitted a PAN to DFI Planning on 27th July 2021. On 17th August 2021 RES received a letter from DFI stating that they had considered the PAN and found that it contained sufficient information with regards to the suggested community consultation measures and was in compliance with Section 27 of the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011.

The submitted information included details of the site location, the type of consultation methods that would be undertaken, with whom and to what distance from the site.

4.2.2 Letter to Elected Political Representatives - 27th July 2021

RES wrote to all Councillors from the Coast Road and Braid DEAs of Mid and East Antrim Borough Council, to advise them that we were investigating the potential for a wind farm development at the site location and would commence a number of consultation activities shortly including newsletter distribution, a dedicated project website and an online public exhibition. The letter also invited these Councillors to contact us if they wished to arrange a meeting to discuss the proposal. A copy of the letter can be found at Appendix A.

4.2.3 Stakeholder Telephone Consultation - 2nd August 2021

RES held a telephone call with the representative of a community group for the local area. During the call, an introduction to RES and the proposal was provided. RES also requested details of other community groups, within Carnlough, with whom we should consult.

4.2.4 Stakeholder Meeting - 13th August 2021

RES held a video-conference meeting with a representative from the Ulster Unionist Party. A presentation on the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm was provided followed by a Q&A session. The feedback provided, as well as how RES has addressed it, is detailed in chapter 5. A copy of the presentation can be found at Appendix B.

4.2.5 Letter to Nearest Neighbours - 16th August 2021

RES wrote to the nearest householders, to advise them that we were investigating the potential for a wind farm development at the site location and would commence a number of consultation activities shortly including newsletter distribution, a dedicated project website and an online public exhibition. The letter also invited the local residents to contact us if they wished to arrange a meeting to discuss the proposal. A copy of the letter can be found at Appendix C.

4.2.6 Project Website - 3rd September 2021

A project website was launched at <u>www.unshinagh-windfarm.co.uk</u> containing information on the project as well as contact details for the RES project team. The project website was advertised in all correspondence from 3rd September 2021 and was used to host the online public exhibition.

The project website is updated regularly and will also be updated when the planning submission is made, to include links to all planning application documentation.

4.2.7 Pre-Exhibition Mailing - 3rd September 2021

A newsletter was posted to:

- Residential addresses within 2km of the wind farm site as well as in Carnlough (988 addresses)
- Community groups, schools and churches within 5km of the site and those advised by DFI (41 addresses). This list can be found at Appendix D.

The newsletter, which can be found at Appendix E included basic information about the project, a location map, details of the online public exhibition and RES' contact details. The leaflet stated RES' intention to submit a planning application in the coming months.

4.2.8 Pre-Exhibition Advertising - 8th and 9th September 2021

RES placed an advertisement in two local papers to inform the wider community of the online public exhibition. The advertisement appeared in the Ballymena Times on Wednesday 8th September 2021 and the Ballymena Guardian on Thursday 9th September 2021. A copy of the advertisement can be found at Appendix F.

4.2.9 Online Public Exhibition - 15th September 2021

The online public exhibition took place on Wednesday 15th September 2021. Further information on the project, including a welcome video, visualisations and a draft infrastructure layout, was published on the project website. Screenshots of the project information can be found at Appendix G.

For people without internet access, hard copies of the exhibition were available upon request. Three requests for hard copies were received from local residents and a request for ten hard copies was received from a Coast Road DEA Councillor.

Individual telephone and video call appointments were offered between 10am - 2pm and 4pm - 8pm as part of the event. These timings enabled a wide cross section of the local community and stakeholders the opportunity to attend a telephone or video call appointment, if required. Two local residents booked video call appointments at 11:00 and 11:30 respectively.

The first meeting at 11:00 was with a local resident who owns land near the proposed wind farm. The meeting was held on Microsoft Teams and attended by the local resident and two representatives from RES.

The second meeting at 11:30 was with a local resident who lives in one of the properties closest to the proposed site. The meeting was held on Microsoft Teams and attended by the local resident and two representatives from RES.

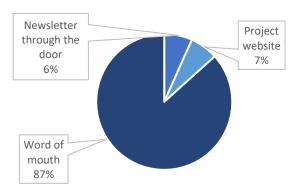
Four further calls were received on the day of, and the day following, the online public exhibition, from callers who did not require a formal appointment. The feedback provided, as well as how RES has addressed it, is detailed in chapter 5.

A comments form was provided as part of the online public exhibition to encourage feedback from attendees about renewable energy in general, as well as the project design specifically, and was made available as an online form or as a Microsoft Word version.

People who requested a hard copy of the exhibition material were also provided with a hard copy of the comments form. Visitors to the online public exhibition were advised that the closing date for comments was Friday 8th October 2021. The same information was provided in the hard copy exhibition pack.

Fifteen completed comments forms were received by RES. Below is a summary of the feedback received to the questions on the comments form.

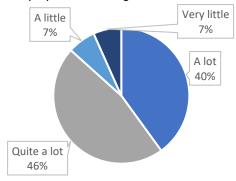
At all stages of the consultation process RES set out clearly the purpose of the consultation. Throughout the process RES also emphasised that comments made were not representations to the DFI and that there would be the opportunity for representations to the DFI once the planning application was submitted.



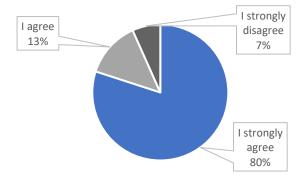
How did you hear about the proposed Unshinagh

Wind Farm?

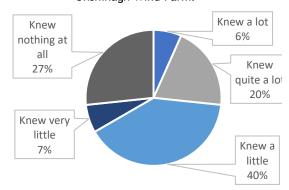
Having visited the website, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?



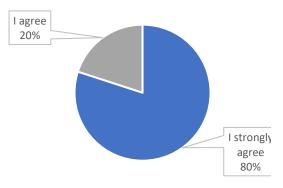
Do you agree that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil fuels, can help towards tackling the issue of climate change?



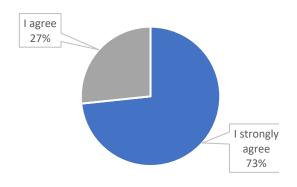
Before visiting the website, how would you describe your knowledge of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?



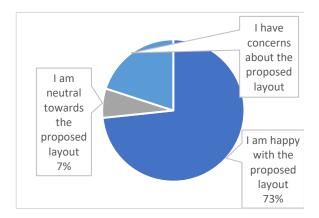
Do you agree that we are facing a global climate change emergency?



Do you agree that we need to develop onshore wind farms to help reduce our carbon emissions?



What do you think about the proposed design layout of Unshinagh Wind Farm?



4.2.10 Stakeholder Meeting - 8th October 2021

RES held a video-conference meeting with members of the Democratic Unionist Party. A presentation on the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm was provided, followed by a Q&A session. The feedback provided, as well as how RES has addressed it, is detailed in chapter 5. A copy of the presentation can be found at Appendix B.

4.2.11 Stakeholder Meeting - 8th October 2021

RES held a video-conference meeting with a member of Sinn Fein. A presentation on the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm was provided, followed by a Q&A session. The feedback provided, as well as how RES has addressed it, is detailed in chapter 5. A copy of the presentation can be found at Appendix B.

4.2.12 Second Stage Consultation - 18th January 2022

A second stage consultation period was advertised to enable members of the community to make any comments on the proposal. The consultation period was advertised in the Ballymena Guardian and Ballymena Times on 18th and 20th January 2022 respectively. A copy of the advertisement can be found at Appendix I.

The advertisement provided details as to where further information may be obtained concerning the proposed wind farm along with information on how, and by when, persons wishing to make comments to the Applicant relating to the proposal may do so.

The project website was updated with project information. Screenshots of the website content can be found at Appendix J.

Seven comments were received during the second stage consultation period. The feedback provided, as well as how RES has addressed it, is detailed in Section 5. Redacted copies of the comments forms can be found in Appendix xx.

4.3 Summary of Consultation

In summary, a range of engagement and communication activity was undertaken as part of the Pre-Application Community Consultation - reaching both nearest neighbours to the site as well as audiences in the wider Mid and East Antrim Borough Council area. This activity included:

• Letters to Local Representatives;

- Advertisements for the Online Public Exhibition in the local press;
- A newsletter informing local residents and local community groups about the Online Public Exhibition; and
- An Online Public Exhibition.
- A second stage consultation period

This form of pre-application community consultation is in accordance with what is recommended within the "Pre-Application Community Consultation Guidance - June 2014".

5. Feedback and Applicant's Response

The majority of the feedback received during the pre-application consultation period was from comments forms received following the online public exhibition. Feedback has also been received in the form of separate correspondence as well as from stakeholder meetings and through the second stage consultation. A summary of issues and concerns raised, together with RES' response to each issue, can be found in Table 1. Redacted copies of the comments forms can be found in Appendices H and K.

Table 1

Issue/Concern Raised	RES Response
Landscape and Visual	RES is an experienced wind farm developer and
The farm should not be located in this most visible terrain, on the skyline in the Glens of Antrim, an area of outstanding natural beauty.	we're aware that careful consideration of the site's location within the AONB would be an important factor in determining the acceptability of the Development.
If it does go to planning, at least position the turbines far enough back that they can't be seen from the coast.	Detailed analysis and assessment was undertaken during the initial site selection and throughout the design process as part of the environmental impact assessment, to ensure that the wind farm was sensitively sited.
I generally agree [with] the overall concept of wind turbines but this being an area of outstanding natural beauty, I strongly disagree with this proposal.	A total of 20 Viewpoints have been selected as a result of the provisional viewpoint selection. They are intended to be representative of typically occurring views within the Study Area,
The visual impact in an area of outstanding natural beauty.	views experienced by sensitive visual receptors, and also views from specific locations that merit inclusion in the LVIA by virtue of their
How are the viewpoints chosen?	contribution to the landscape and visual qualities of the Study Area.
I think well designed wind farms can enhance bleak countryside features.	The findings of the LVIA are presented in the Environmental Statement, Chapter 4 -Landscape
I prefer to see large wind turbine clusters than lots of single wind turbines.	& Visual.
I would say it will mean the beauty of the area will be destroyed for ever with views being destroyed for locals and holiday visitors alike	

<u>Tourism</u> The proposals would site the turbines in a very visible position above the coast. Bearing in mind this is The Antrim Coast which is currently being developed into a major tourism attraction with much funding towards heritage and environmental projects. Visitors would ask" why did they do that?"	RES has considered the effects of the proposed development in relation to tourism. The effect that the changes in views would have on tourism, recreation and amenity value would partly depend on the personal opinion of the viewer. This is purely subjective; some people may have an aversion to wind turbines and others may view them as a complement to the landscape.
Loss of tourism attraction. The loss of tourism revenue. This will be an eyesore & will discourage tourists therefore impacting local businesses which have already faced such challenging times through the pandemic. This is not the answer!!!	Additionally, independent research into the effects of wind farms on tourism has revealed relatively high support and positivity towards renewable energy developments and found that the majority of tourists questioned would not be deterred from visiting a location because of the presence of a wind farm. Source: Failte Ireland (2012) <u>'Visitor Attitudes</u> on the Environment -Wind Farms' and Northern Ireland Tourist Board (August 2011) 'Windfarms and Offshore Windfarms'
Environment and Ecology The high level of environmental damage. This will have negative impact on local wildlife, particularly birds It will destroy this area which is rich in beautiful wildlife. Curlew, Red kite, Cuckoo, all of which I see with my own eye.	RES has undertaken a full Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) to determine the likelihood of any potential impacts on the environment, ecology and ornithology. The results of the EIA are described in the Environmental Statement (Vol 1- Vol 4). Vol 2 Chapter 6 assesses the Ecological impacts of the project and Vol 7 assesses the impacts on Ornithology. An outline Habitat Management Plan has also been proposed and included in Vol 4 of the Environmental Statement.
<u>Access</u> Building of new access road to the wind farm could lead to unauthorised access.	New access tracks for the wind farm would be closed gate access, whilst ensuring any public rights of way are maintained.
Landownership Query regarding the land boundary which was presented	This was a mapping error; the associated drawings were removed and all drawings have been updated.
Decommissioning What happens at the end of the turbine life? Return any disturbed wildlife habitat to its	Modern wind farms typically have an operational life of 30 - 35 years. Towards the end of life, RES may consider opportunities for repowering of the site.
original state where possible. Return existing animal and wildlife habitat post works	A Construction and Decommissioning Method Statement (CDMS) will be prepared if planning consent is granted. The CEMP and CDMS would be agreed with the DFI Planning and would describe the detailed methods of construction and working practices, work to reinstate the site following completion of construction activities

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and restoring peatlands consumers. Analysis on electricity generation	Local sustainable project creation such as community allotments, native tree planting	the impacts of climate change both locally and globally, RES' priority is to deliver clean, green electricity at the lowest cost for

The benefits are wholly unclear and are short term. These so-called benefits have not been itemised in any meaningful way - who will benefit and by how much? No balanced comment is made for example on the significant detriment to the community though loss of scenic beauty, loss of amenity to a popular local rural area, loss of tourism attraction, damage to the natural habitat.	costs published by BEIS has shown that onshore wind, alongside large-scale solar PV, are the cheapest electricity generating technologies available, benefitting all consumers. Unshinagh Wind Farm, if consented, would continue to build on the success of the renewable energy sector in Northern Ireland. The project is expected to deliver approximately £3.9 million of inward investment into the local area in the form of jobs, employment, and use of local services, providing a vital economic boost, creating skilled, sustainable jobs and helping to drive a cleaner and more resilient economy.
	Furthermore, if consented, Unshinagh Wind Farm would deliver around £19 million in business rates over its lifetime supporting vital local services for all local residents.
	RES firmly believe that our renewable energy schemes should also provide meaningful benefits locally and we are inviting input from the local communities on their priority aims and projects in their area. We're currently looking for feedback to understand what projects could be supported directly. The type of projects we could envisage are things like fuel poverty schemes, village hall improvements, further education and apprenticeship schemes or other priorities as determined by local action plans.

6. Summary

RES believes that consultation and effective communication is paramount when developing a wind energy project.

Following the Statutory Requirements and Best Practice Guidance, we have undertaken a consultation within the minimum 12-week consultation period. This PACC Report details the consultation activities undertaken and summarises, in Chapter 5, the feedback received and our response.

We have engaged proactively on the proposal in order to facilitate an early and constructive consultation process and used a variety of methods to communicate and engage with the local community, wider key stakeholders and other interested parties in order to facilitate a strong public understanding of the potential impacts and benefits of the Development.

The valuable feedback received from the online public exhibition, further stakeholder engagement and the second stage consultation has helped us gain a better understanding of the potential issues and concerns regarding Unshinagh Wind Farm as well as the support for the proposed layout. The online public exhibition feedback showed that 73% of people who submitted comments forms, were happy with the proposed layout, 7% were neutral and 20% had concerns. The feedback received from the online public exhibition showed that all respondents agreed or strongly agreed that we are facing a climate emergency, with 93% agreeing or strongly agreeing that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil fuels, can help towards tackling the pressing issue of climate change.

As an experienced wind farm developer, we have listened to the feedback from the local community and considered this in relation to the design of the project.

RES is committed to being a good neighbour and will build on the pre-planning consultation. The company has an 'open door' policy which means that anyone can contact the company about the Development at any stage and RES will respond in a timely manner. The Development Manager's and Community Relations Team's contact details have been made available for this purpose via exchange of information at briefings, the project newsletter and the project website.

The project website will be updated regularly to enable people to keep up to date with the latest news about the Development as it progresses.

Once the planning application and environmental statement have been validated by DFI Planning, RES will write out to political representatives, community organisations and members of the public who have requested to be kept informed, to provide them with the planning reference number and address of the DFI's Planning Department, should they wish to submit a formal representation.

Appendices

- A. Letter to local representatives and list of addressees
- B. Copy of stakeholder presentation
- C. Letter to nearest properties
- D. List of community groups, etc, within 5km which received the public exhibition mailing
- E. Exhibition newsletter
- F. Online public exhibition newspaper advert
- G. Online exhibition website screenshots
- H. Redacted copies of the comment forms
- I. Second stage consultation newspaper advert
- J. Second stage consultation website screenshots
- K. Second stage consultation redacted copies of the comment forms

A. Letter to local representatives and list of addressees



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27 July 2021

Dear

RE: Proposed wind farm at Unshinagh, west of Carnlough, Co. Antrim

I am writing to advise you that RES is exploring the potential for a wind farm at Unshinagh, approximately 4km to the west of Carnlough, with the hope of submitting a planning application later this year.

RES has been operating from their office in Larne since the early 90s, employing over 20 local people. At the forefront of the renewables industry for nearly 40 years, RES has delivered more than 21GW of renewable energy projects across the globe including the development and/or construction of over 250MW of wind projects in Northern Ireland.

If consented, the project would continue to build on the success of the renewable energy sector in Northern Ireland, provide a vital economic boost, creating skilled, sustainable jobs and helping to drive a cleaner and more resilient economy. RES has a proven track record of using local contractors to maximise inward investment as demonstrated at the under construction Craiggore Wind Farm near Limavady where 16 NI based contractors are being used during the construction phase. The Unshinagh Wind Farm could deliver £16 million into the local economy in the form of jobs, employment and use of local services.

At this early stage we have submitted a Proposal of Application Notice (PAN) to the Department for Infrastructure whilst our site-specific surveys continue to inform the layout for the wind farm. A full Environmental Statement will be compiled and submitted with the planning application. A copy of the PAN is attached to this letter.

RES is committed to engaging early with the local community and key stakeholders to facilitate constructive consultation. Once we have received feedback on the PAN we will begin a number of consultation activities before the end of the year including newsletter distribution, a dedicated project website and an online public exhibition.

We would welcome the opportunity to meet with you directly to discuss the project and listen to any feedback that you may have regarding our proposal.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

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Associate Application No.:	
Registration date:	

Proposal of Application Notice

Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 Planning (General Development Procedure) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015

To be completed for all developments within the major category of development

Please note that when you submit this form the information, including plans, maps and drawings, will appear on the Planning Register which is publicly available and, along with other associated documentation (with the exception of personal telephone numbers, email addresses or sensitive personal data), will also be published on the internet on the Public Access site (<u>http://epicpublic.planningni.gov.uk/publicaccess/</u>). The Department for Infrastructure and the 11 Councils will process your information in line with the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) requirements. A copy of the full Privacy Statement is available at <u>www.infrastructure-ni.gov.uk/dfi-privacy</u>. To request a hard copy, please contact the relevant Data Protection Officer as listed in the statement.

1a. Applicant's name and address

1b. Agent's name and address (if applicable)

Name:	Name:
Address:	Address:
Town:	Town:
Postcode:	Postcode:
Tel:	Tel:
E-mail:	E-mail:

2. Address or Location of Proposed Development Please state the postal address of the

prospective development site. If there is no postal address, describe its location. Please outline the site on an OS base plan and attach it to this completed notice.

3. What is the area of the site in hectares?

4. Description of Proposed Development Please describe the development to be carried out, outlining its characteristics. Please also enclose appropriate drawings, including: plan, elevations and site layout of the proposal.

	5.	What is t	he total gi	oss floorspa	ce of the propose	ed development?
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7. Which type of planning permission does this Proposal of Application Notice relate to? (Please tick)

Full planning permission

Outline planning permission

8. Has a determination been made as to whether the proposed development would be of Regional Significance?

Yes	(Please enclose a copy of the determination made
	under Section 26 of the Planning Act (NI) 2011)
No	

9. Has an Environmental Impact Assessment determination been made?

Yes	(Please enclose a copy of the determination made under
	Part 2 of the Planning [Environmental Impact Assessment]
No	Regulations [NI] 2015)

10. Please give details of proposed consultation

Proposed public event	Venue	Date and Time			
Name of publication(s) used:	Name of publication(s) used:				
Proposed newspaper advert d	Proposed newspaper advert date(s):				
Please specify details of any other consultation methods including distance from site for notifying neighbouring properties (e.g.100m, 200m etc) and method of notification (please include date, time and with whom):					
Details of any other publicity methods (such as leaflets, posters, etc):					

11. Please state which other parties have received a copy of this Proposal of Application Notice (Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

Elected member(s) for District Electoral Area		Date notice served
Cllr Andrew Clarke - Coast Road Cllr Angela Smyth - Coast Road Ald Gerardine Mulvenna - Coast Road Cllr James McKeown - Coast Road Cllr Maureen Morrow - Coast Road	Cllr Beth Adger - Braid Cllr Brian Collins - Braid Cllr Christopher Jamieson - Braid Cllr David Reid - Braid Cllr Julie Frew - Braid Ald Robin Cherry - Braid	27th July 2021
Other		Date notice served

12. Council Employee / Elected Member Interest

Are you / the applicant / applicant's spouse or partner, a member of staff within the council or an elected member of the council?

Or are you / the applicant / the applicant's spouse or partner, a relative of a member of staff in the council or an elected member of the council or their spouse or partner?

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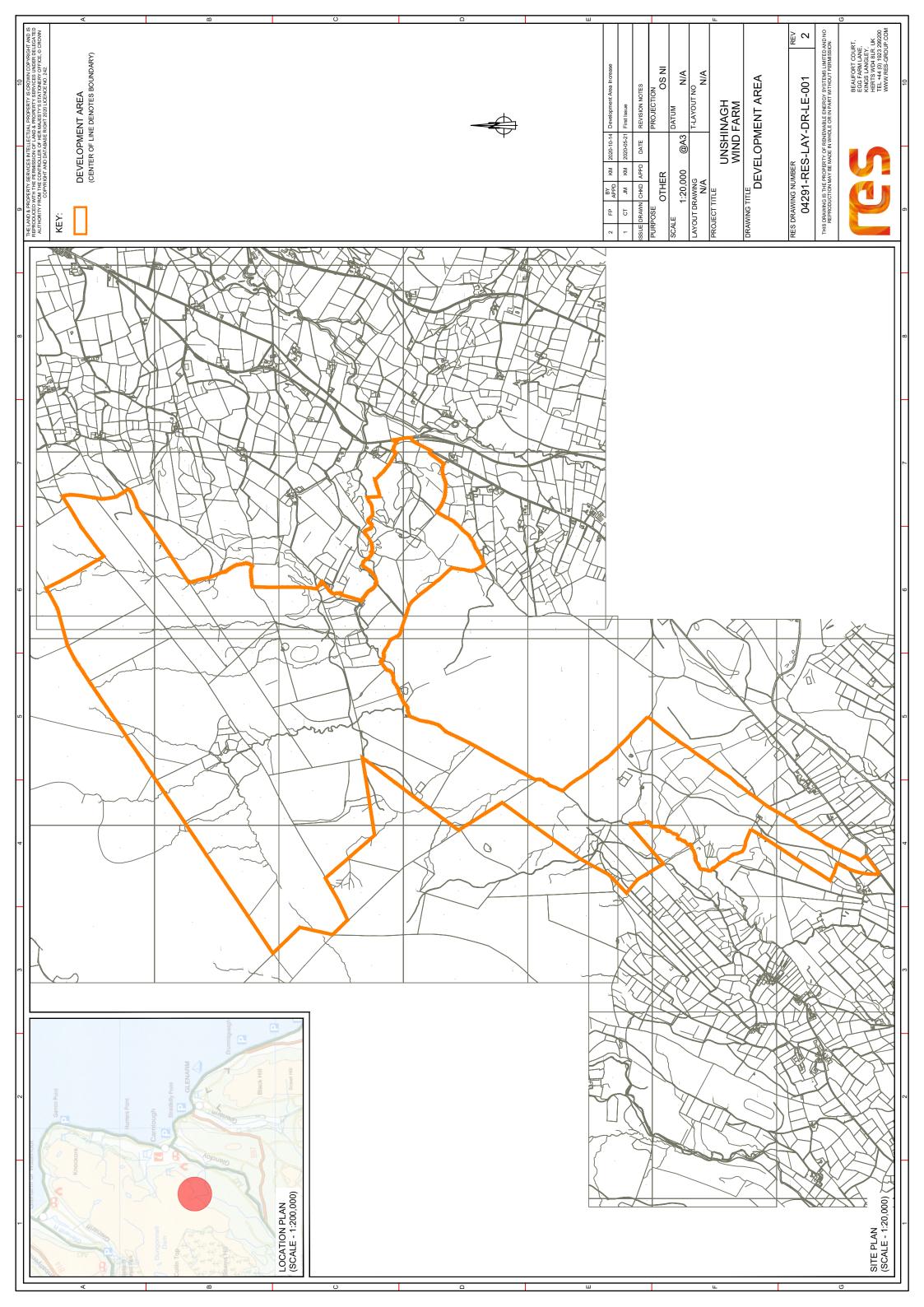
If you have answered yes, please provide details (name, relationship and role):

13. Declaration

Signature:	
Print name:	JENNIFER MC CORRY
Date:	27th July 2021

PLEASE NOTE: A planning application for this development cannot be submitted less than 12 weeks from the date the Proposal of Application Notice is received and without the statutory requirements having been undertaken. The application must be accompanied by the Pre-Application Consultation report.

We will respond within 21 days of receiving the Notice. We will confirm whether the proposed preapplication community consultation is satisfactory, or if additional notification and consultation is required. The minimum statutory consultation activity includes holding one public event and its advertisement in a local paper. We also require this Notice to be sent to local councillors for the District Electoral Area in which the proposed development is situated, and evidence of additional publicity of the event.



Local Representatives Introduction Letter - Addressees

- Cllr Andrew Clarke
- Cllr Angela Smyth
- Cllr Geraldine Mulvenna
- Cllr James McKeown
- Cllr Maureen Morrow
- Cllr Beth Adger MBE
- Cllr Brian Collins
- Cllr Christopher Jamieson
- Cllr David Reid
- Cllr Julie Frew
- Cllr Robin Cherry MBE
- Cllr William McCaughey

B. Copy of stakeholder presentation

Unshinagh Wind Farm Proposal

August 2021







- Introductions
- Project Information
- Q&A
- Any Other Business





RES Overview

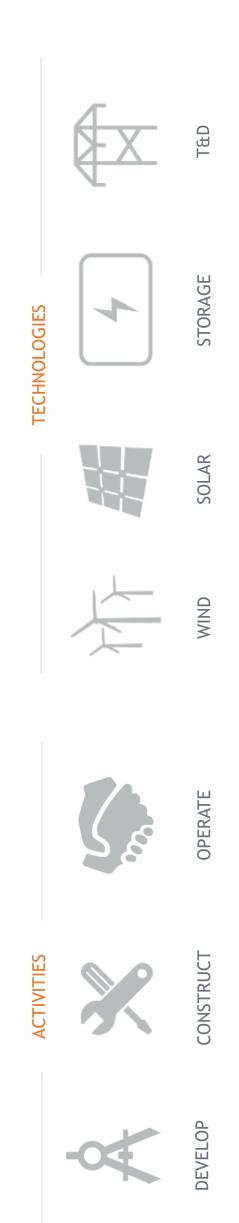
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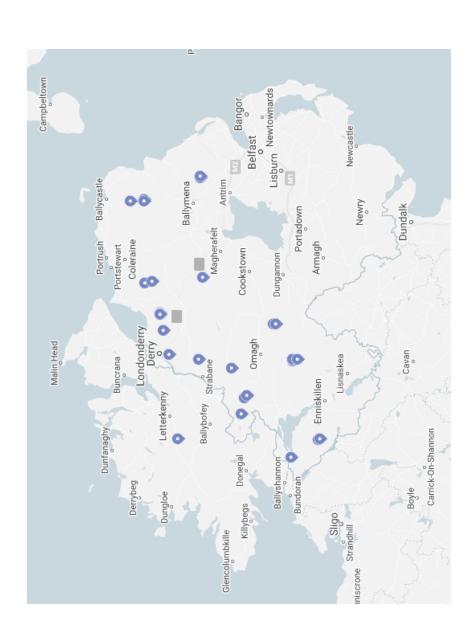
OF OPERATIONAL ASSETS SUPPORTED





RES in the Northern Ireland

- Operating from offices in Larne since early 1990s
- RES has developed and/or constructed twenty-two onshore wind farms in NI
- RES are currently constructing the Craiggore and Evishagaran wind farms near Limavady
- RES also operate a number of wind farms across NI with a generating capacity of 175MW



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What are we proposing?

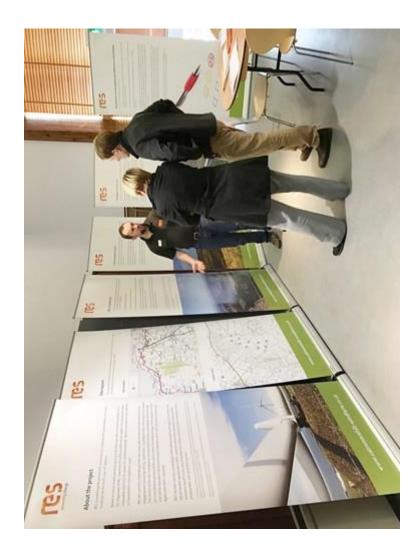
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- Situated approximately 4km west of Carnlough and Glenarm
- Environmental and technical assessments
- Indicative layout

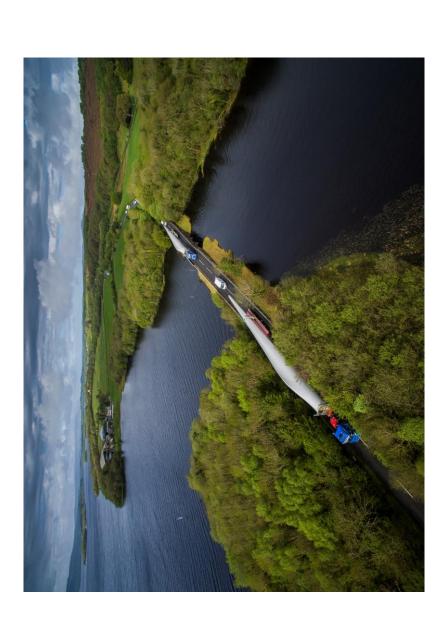
Consultation

- Committed to engaging early to facilitate constructive consultation
- Feedback considered when refining the design
- Planned consultation activities



Project Benefits

- Environmental benefits
- Ecological benefits.
- Economic benefits.







































C. Letter to nearest properties

RES UK and Ireland Ltd



Willowbank Business Park, Willowbank Road, Millbrook, Larne, County Antrim, Northern Ireland BT40 2SF T +44 (0)28 2844 0580 E info@res-group.com www.res-group.com

[Address]

16 August 2021

Dear local resident,

RE: Proposed wind farm at Unshinagh, west of Carnlough, Co. Antrim

I am writing to advise you that RES is exploring the potential for a wind farm at Unshinagh, approximately 4km to the west of Carnlough, with the hope of submitting a planning application later this year.

The proposed wind farm, if consented, would continue to build on the success of the renewable energy sector in Northern Ireland. It would provide a vital economic boost, creating skilled, sustainable jobs and help to drive a cleaner and more resilient economy.

RES has been operating from their office in Larne since the early 90s, employing over 20 local people. In Northern Ireland, RES has developed and/or constructed twenty-two onshore wind farms equating to over a quarter of Northern Ireland's onshore wind capacity and has a record of using local companies to develop, construct and operate renewable energy projects.

At this early stage we have submitted a Proposal of Application Notice (PAN) to the Department for Infrastructure whilst site-specific surveys are underway which will inform the design of the wind farm.

Another important part of the project design process is engaging with the local community to facilitate constructive consultation. In mid-September we propose to hold an online public exhibition to inform the local community about the proposed wind farm and gather people's views. We will be sending further information on this shortly.

Ahead of this, we would welcome the opportunity to discuss the project with you and listen to any feedback that you may have regarding our proposal. Please contact me on the details below if you would like to arrange a time for a discussion.

Yours faithfully,

Jennifer McCorry Senior Development Project Manager E Jennifer.McCorry@res-group.com T 0282 844 0595

D. List of community groups, etc, within 5km which received the public exhibition mailing

Community Groups, Schools and Churches within 5km which received the public exhibition mailing

- Antrim Coast Lions Club, 20 Harbour Road, Carnlough, Ballymena, BT44 0EU
- Ballyvaddy Gospel Hall, BallyvaddyRoad, Glenarm, Ballymena, BT44 0BY
- Belfast International Airport, Airport Road, Belfast, BT29 4AB
- Carnalbanagh Presbyterian Church, Glenview Road, Glenarm, Ballymena, BT44 0DL
- Carnalbanagh Primary School, 1 Glenview Road, Glenarm, Ballymena, BT44 0DL
- Carnlough Community Association, Unit 1, 11 Harbour Road, Carnlough, Ballymena, BT44 0EU
- Carnlough Controlled Integrated Primary School, 9 Harbour Road, Carnlough, Ballymena, BT44 0EU
- Carnlough Credit Union, 60 High Street, Carnlough, Ballymena, BT44 0EP
- Carnlough Heritage Hub, by email only
- Carnlough Library, 36 Harbour Road, Carnlough, Ballymena, BT44 0EU
- Carnlough Methodist Church, Herbert Street, Carnlough, Ballymena, BT44 0ER
- Carnlough Presbyterian Church, 1 Bay Road, Carnlough, Ballymena, BT44 0HQ
- Carnlough Rowing Club, Harbour Road, Carnlough, Ballymena, BT44 0EU
- Carnlough Swifts Football Club, by email only
- Carnlough Youth Club (via Larne Methodist Church), by email only
- Causeway Coast and Glens Heritage Trust, The Old Bank, 27 Main Street, Armoy, Ballymoney, BT53 8SL
- Church of the Immaculate Conception, 17 New Road, Glenarm, Ballymena, BT44 0AA
- City of Derry Airport, Airport Road, Eglinton, Londonderry, BT47 3GY
- Glenarm Baptist Church, 45 Toberwine Street, Glenarm, Ballymena, BT44 0AP
- Glenarm Marina, New Road, Glenarm, Ballymena, BT44 0AA
- Glenarm Orange Hall, 17 21 Mark Street, Glenarm, Ballymena, BT44 0AN
- Glenarm Presbyterian Church, 34 Altmore Street, Glenarm, Ballymena, BT44 0AR
- Glenarm Tourism, 17 New Road, Glenarm, Ballymena, BT44 0AA
- Glenarm Village Committee, 2 The Bridge, Glenarm, Ballymena, BT44 0AB
- Glenlough Community Centre, 60 Croft Road, Carnlough, Ballymena, BT44 0EX
- Glens United Football Club, by email only
- Mountaineering Ireland, Irish Sport HQ, National Sports Campus, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15, D15 DY62
- National Association for Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty, Belmont House, Shrewsbury Business Park, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY2 6LG
- Old Presbyterian Church, Straidkilly Road, Glenarm, Ballymena, BT44 0AB
- Orange Hall, 40 Carnalbanagh Road, Glenarm, Ballymena, BT44 0DG
- Orange Hall, 182 Carnlough Road, Broughshane, Ballymena, BT43 7JW
- Parish of St John the Evangelist Church, 51 Bay Road, Carnlough, Ballymena, BT44 0HJ
- Representative Church Body, 60 High Street, Carnlough, Ballymena, BT44 0EP
- Saint Patrick's Church and Glenarm Friary, The Cloney, Glenarm, Ballymena, BT44 0AA
- Seaview Hall, 19 21 New Road, Glenarm, Ballymena, BT44 0AA
- Seaview Primary School, 11 New Road, Glenarm, Ballymena, BT44 0AA
- Sinn Fein, 19 High Street, Carnlough, Ballymena, BT44 0EP
- St Johns Primary School, 49 Bay Road, Carnlough, Ballymena, BT44 OHJ
- St Mary's, Ardclinis (Col), Largy Road, Carnlough, Ballymena, BT44 0JP
- St Patricks Church, The Braid, Carnlough Road, Broughshane, Antrim, BT43 7JW
- The Honourable The Irish Society, 54 Castleroe Road, Coleraine, BT51 3RL
- The Masonic Hall, 2 4 Largy Road, Carnlough, Ballymena, BT44 0EY
- Tourist Information Centre, 14 16 Harbour Road, Carnlough, Ballymena, BT44 0EU
- Twilight Coffee and Bunkhouse, by email only
- Ulster Hang Gliding and Paragliding Club, 24 Upper Road, Carrickfergus, BT38 8RL
- Ulster Wildlife Trust, McClelland House, 10 Heron Road, Belfast, BT3 9LE

E. Exhibition newsletter

UNSHINAGH WIND FARM SEPTEMBER 2021

RES is currently consulting on plans for a proposed project called Unshinagh Wind Farm, in the townlands of Drumourne, Unshinagh Mountain, Unshinagh South, Ticloy, Slane, Cregcattan (part of Galdanagh) and Aughareamlagh, approximately four kilometres west of Carnlough.

Environmental and technical surveys have been ongoing in recent months to ensure that the site is suitable for a wind farm development and to inform the layout and design.

RES is now at the stage of consulting with the local community on the proposal with the intention of submitting a planning application later this year.

Visit www.unshinagh-windfarm.co.uk for more information.

Have your say on Wednesday 15th September

RES is committed to engaging early with the local community and key stakeholders to facilitate constructive consultation.

We will be holding an Online Public Exhibition on Wednesday 15th September, to inform the local community about the project and gather comments on the proposal. The online event will be hosted on our website at: www.unshinagh-windfarm.co.uk

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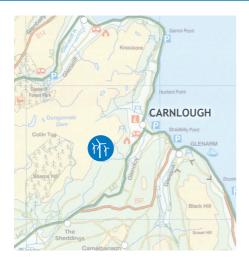


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UNSHINAGH WIND FARM AT A GLANCE



Based on initial studies, the wind farm proposal is for 14 turbines. It is anticipated that the site would be capable of generating up to 58.8 megawatts (MW) of clean, green, renewable electricity.

Location: Approximately 4 km west of Carnlough

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RES is the world's largest independent renewable energy company with operations across Europe, the Americas and Asia-Pacific. At the forefront of renewable energy development for nearly 40 years, RES has developed and/or built more than 21GW of renewable energy capacity worldwide.

RES has been building wind farms across the island of Ireland since the early 1990s and from our office in Larne, we have a team of over 20 working across a range of disciplines. In Northern Ireland, RES has developed and/or built twenty-two wind farms equating to over a quarter of Northern Ireland's onshore wind capacity.

RES has a track record of using local companies to develop, construct and operate our renewable energy projects. For example, during the construction of Altaveedan Wind Farm in Co. Antrim RES appointed a local civils contractor and as a result in excess of £2.5 million was spent in the local economy.



Jennifer McCorry Sr Development Project Manager igennifer.mccorry@res-group.com ↓ 02828 440 595



Willowbank Business Park, Millbrook, Larne, County Antrim, BT40 2SF

If you require information in Braille, large text or audio, please let us know.

F. Online public exhibition newspaper advert

Wednesday, September 8, 202

NEWS

'TOP CLASS' INITIATIVE



Initially piloted in 2019, the growing School Uniform Scheme is in partnership with Mid and East Antrim Community Advice Services (MEACAS) and supported by Volunteer Now.

Free uniform scheme success

BY TIMES REPORTER news@ballymenatimes.com www.ballymenatimes.co.uk

Mid and East Antrim Borough Council has helped almost 200 families with its free school uniform campaign.

Initially piloted in 2019, this growing scheme is in partnership with Mid and East Antrim Community Advice Services (MEACAS) and supported by Volunteer Now. It can cost more than £300

It can cost more than £300 per child to buy school uniform ready for the new academic year.

The rising cost of school uniforms can be a source of emotional and financial stress for many low income families. It can also mean grammar

schools are not an option for some of the borough's 30,000 schoolchildren.

In some cases, families

have described having to choose between eating and getting their children kitted out for school. It can also push families into debt, with some saying that

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trim Borough Council, Councillor William McCaughey said: "Sadly, the rising costs of school uniforms can be a deciding factor when choosing a school.

"Many lower income families have said that the cost of a grammar school uniform is prohibitive, widening the disadvantage gap. Council, and our partners, want this to change and continue to work hard to fight poverty in our borough

borough. "This year the scheme has helped 173 families, gifting 1,156 school uniform items, and has been a true reflection of the effort our community and staff have provided to help families ensure their young ones are ready for the new academic year.

"A huge thanks goes to all those who generously donated school uniforms to our five Household Recycling Centres during the donation fortnight in July," said Councillor Mc-Caughey. The Northern Ireland Pov-

The Northern Ireland Poverty Bulletin published for the financial year April 2018 to March 2019 states that 24 per cent of children in Northern Ireland are living in poverty, which is approximately 107,000 children, almost a quarter of all children.

This is a stark figure given that the true economic impact of the Covid-19 pandemic has yet to be seen. It is anticipated that with

It is anticipated that with the Government's furlough scheme ending, a rise in unemployment is expected later this year.



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Unshinagh Wind Farm ONLINE PUBLIC EXHIBITION

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ELECTIONS

Re-register to vote, urges Reid

Ballymena SDLP councillor Eugene Reid is urging people in Ballymena and the wider Mid and East Antrim area to make sure they re-register to vote.

He said: "Next year's election is a pivotal one for people across the North. This area has been let down by its politicianson too many occasions. We have seen local industry decimated and thousands of jobslost, with no concrete proposals to rejuvenate the area. "If people want to see real change I would encourage them to get back on the electoral register and make their feelings known via the ballot box next May."

You can re-register to vote at: https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote





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Representors must send a copy their representations to the applicant at the address given at the top of this notice. A guide to making Representation is available from website: infrastruture.ni.gov.uk

Application for

Entertainments Licence

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (Miscellaneous Provisions)

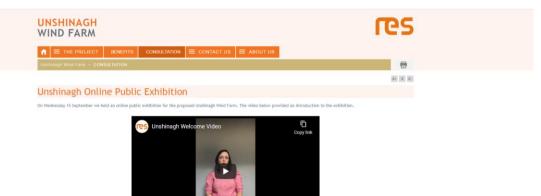
(Northern Ireland) Order 1985

NOTICE is hereby given that application has been made to Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council for the renewal of an entertainments licence for Dancing, singing, music, other entertainment of a like kind, in respect of premises known as Ballyclare Golf Club, situated at 25 Springvale Road, Ballyclare. Co. Antrim BT39 9JW. The name and address of the applicant is Steven McMullan, 23 River Hill Manor, Ballyclare, BT39 9ZH. Any person wishing to make representation in relation to the application shall give notice to the Council, stating in general terms the nature of the representation, not later than 28 days after the date of ap-

plication. Dated this 3rd day of September, 2021.

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G. Online exhibition website screenshots



YouTube

The online exhibition was designed to inform the local community about the pro details on how to submit comments to RES on the proposal.

The closing date for comments to RES is Friday BBI Octaber 2021. Once the closing date has passed RES will review and consider all arbibition feedback in relation to the design of the wind farm together with the finding of site surveys, alwaid of submitting a planning application later. While year. Prese click here to go to the exceeding the comments form. Hard copies of the exhibition information below can be provided by constanting or.

About the project

Located approximately 4km west of Carnlough.

Environmental and technical surveys are underway in addition to consultation with relevant statutory bodies, organisations and the local community.

Results of the site surveys and feedback received through our consultation process will be used to inform the detailed design of the proposed wind farm and will be reported in the Environmental Statement which will accompany any planning application submission.



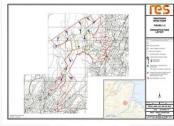
Designed to generate reliable, renewable electricity, whilst minimising local impacts and maximising local benefits wherever possible.

Capable of generating up to 58.8 megawatts (MW) of clean, green, low-cost renewable electricity.

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Design Layout & Infrastructure

20 % %



Click on image to enlarge

The plan to the left shows the layout of the proposed fourteen 180m turbines at Unshinagh Wind Farm. RES is currently consulting on this layout and as such it is subject to change.

The plan to the right shows how we have determined this indicative layout. In addition to high-level necessities, such as good wind speeds, we have considered a number of site-specific constraints and buffers. These include turbines being positioned greater than 1km from nearest properties, 50m from major watercourses and 10m from minor watercourses/drains and avoiding areas of ecological interest.



Click on image to enlarge

Environmental Considerations

An Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) will be undertaken to investigate any significant potential effects of the development on the environment and, where applicable, identify mitigation measures to eliminate or reduce potential effects.



Supply Chain Opportunities

RES has a strong track-record of working closely with the local supply chain around its projects and maximising inward investment opportunities wherever possible.

Unshinagh Wind Farm has the potential to deliver approximately £3.9 million to the local area in the form of jobs, employment, and the use of local services.

RES is keen to hear from local businesses who are interested in learning more about the opportunities associated with the construction and operation of this project. Please contact us for more information.



During the construction of Castlecraig Wind Farm, near Drumquin, over £3 million of inward investment was realised into the local economy. The wind farm construction also provided employment for around 50 local people.

The EIA will include assessment of the following:

Ecology and Ornithology
Fisheries
Hydrology
Landscape and Visual
Archaeology and Cultural Heritage
Socio-economics
Noise

The construction of Altaveedan Wind Farm, near Loughguile, was an economic success for the local area with £1.3 million invested directly into County Antrim and £772,000 of this being spent within 5 miles of the site. The direct investment in the local economy was achieved through RES contracting with County Antrim based firms such as P. Keenan & Sons and F.R. McCann, coupled with utilising Northern Ireland's homegrown civil engineering expertise William & Henry Alexander (Civil Engineering) Limited.

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What Would the Wind Farm Look Like?

We have produced indicative visualisations and wirelines to help give an impression of what the wind farm could look like from different viewpoints in the area (based on the current 14-turbine design layout). Click on the links to view.

Viewpoint from Dickeystown Road, Glenarm

Viewpoint from Harbour Park, Carnlough

Viewpoint from Straidkilly Road/Ballyvaddy Road junction, Carnlough



Viewpoint from middle section of Slane Road

Viewpoint from north eastern section of Slane Road

We have also produced an indicative Zone of Theoretical Visibility (ZTV) Map showing where the turbines could be visible from (based on the current 14-turbine design layout). Please note that this is based on bare land form without trees or buildings.

Zone of Theoretical Visibility

Why Wind?

Urgent need to accelerate decarbonisation.

Tackling Climate Change by supporting the UK's target of net zero by 2050.

Enables us to generate our own electricity without reliance on imports.



Not subject to sudden price fluctuations or the uncertainty of global markets.

Renewable energy at lowest cost to the consumer².

Free and inexhaustible resource which has an important role to play as part of a balanced energy mix.

Commenting on the Proposal

Comments on the Unshinagh proposal should be provided in writing by filling out our online comments form. The closing date for comments is Friday 8th October 2021. Comments will still be accepted after this date but may not be considered in relation to the design development.

You may also download a comments form, which can be returned to us by email or post, by clicking here.

A hard copy of the comment form can also be made available by contacting us.

Please note that any comments submitted to RES are not representations to the determining authority (Strategic Planning Directorate Department for Infrastructure (DFI)). There will be an opportunity to submit representations to the determining authority should an application be made.

1 The homes figure has been calculated by taking the predicted annual electricity generation (based on an indicative layout and subject to change) of the site (based on RES assessments Unshinogh has a predicted capacity factor of 49.9%) and dividing this by the annual average electricity figures from the Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) showing that the annual UK average domestic household consumption is 3,578 kWh (Dec 2020).

2 https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/911817/electricity-generation-cost-report-2020.pdf

H. Redacted copies of the comment forms

From:	No-Reply Webform
Sent:	07 October 2021 18:58
То:	Carey Green
Subject:	the form Ushinagh was submitted

1.1 How did you hear about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Word of mouth

Other (please specify)

1.2 Before visiting the website, how would you describe your knowledge of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Knew a little

1.3 Having visited the website, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Quite a lot

2.1 Do you agree that we are facing a global climate change emergency?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.2 Do you agree that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil fuels, can help towards tackling the issue of climate change?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.3 Do you agree that we need to develop onshore wind farms to help reduce our carbon emissions? I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

3.1 What do you think about the proposed design layout of Unshinagh Wind Farm?

I am happy with proposed layout

Further Comments

100% on board with proposal.

Strongly support it.

3.2 Please provide us with any further suggestions or comments regarding the design layout of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm

4.1 We firmly believe that wind farms should provide benefits locally and we are inviting input from the local communities on their priority projects and aims in the area, which we may be able to support. If you have any suggestions, please let us know in the box below.

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lf you v	vould like to be kept up to date with the project, please tick this box
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From:	No-Reply Webform
Sent:	07 October 2021 21:18
То:	Carey Green
Subject:	the form Ushinagh was submitted

1.1 How did you hear about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Word of mouth

Other (please specify)

1.2 Before visiting the website, how would you describe your knowledge of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Knew quite a lot Knew a little

1.3 Having visited the website, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

A lot

2.1 Do you agree that we are facing a global climate change emergency? I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.2 Do you agree that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil fuels, can help towards tackling the issue of climate change?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.3 Do you agree that we need to develop onshore wind farms to help reduce our carbon emissions? I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

3.1 What do you think about the proposed design layout of Unshinagh Wind Farm?

I am happy with proposed layout

Further Comments

3.2 Please provide us with any further suggestions or comments regarding the design layout of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm

4.1 We firmly believe that wind farms should provide benefits locally and we are inviting input from the local communities on their priority projects and aims in the area, which we may be able to support. If you have any suggestions, please let us know in the box below.

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From:	No-Reply Webform
Sent:	06 October 2021 12:33
То:	Carey Green
Subject:	the form Ushinagh was submitted

1.1 How did you hear about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Word of mouth

Other (please specify)

1.2 Before visiting the website, how would you describe your knowledge of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Knew very little

1.3 Having visited the website, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Quite a lot

2.1 Do you agree that we are facing a global climate change emergency?

l agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.2 Do you agree that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil fuels, can help towards tackling the issue of climate change?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.3 Do you agree that we need to develop onshore wind farms to help reduce our carbon emissions?

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

3.1 What do you think about the proposed design layout of Unshinagh Wind Farm?

I am happy with proposed layout

Further Comments

We need to generate reliable, renewable electricity and hedge against global fluctuations in energy sources by having our own natural sourced energy.

3.2 Please provide us with any further suggestions or comments regarding the design layout of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm

I think well designed wind farms can enhance bleak countryside features

4.1 We firmly believe that wind farms should provide benefits locally and we are inviting input from the local communities on their priority projects and aims in the area, which we may be able to support. If you have any suggestions, please let us know in the box below.

Please provide your name and contact details below.

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From:	No-Reply Webform
Sent:	06 October 2021 18:29
То:	Carey Green
Subject:	the form Ushinagh was submitted

1.1 How did you hear about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Word of mouth

Other (please specify)

1.2 Before visiting the website, how would you describe your knowledge of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Knew quite a lot

1.3 Having visited the website, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Quite a lot

2.1 Do you agree that we are facing a global climate change emergency?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.2 Do you agree that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil fuels, can help towards tackling the issue of climate change?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.3 Do you agree that we need to develop onshore wind farms to help reduce our carbon emissions? I agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

3.1 What do you think about the proposed design layout of Unshinagh Wind Farm?

I am neutral towards to the proposed layout

Further Comments

3.2 Please provide us with any further suggestions or comments regarding the design layout of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm

Return any disturbed wildlife habitat to its original state where possible.

4.1 We firmly believe that wind farms should provide benefits locally and we are inviting input from the local communities on their priority projects and aims in the area, which we may be able to support. If you have any suggestions, please let us know in the box below.

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From:	No-Reply Webform
Sent:	07 October 2021 11:07
То:	Carey Green
Subject:	the form Ushinagh was submitted

1.1 How did you hear about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Word of mouth

Other (please specify)

1.2 Before visiting the website, how would you describe your knowledge of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Knew a little

1.3 Having visited the website, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Quite a lot

2.1 Do you agree that we are facing a global climate change emergency?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.2 Do you agree that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil fuels, can help towards tackling the issue of climate change?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.3 Do you agree that we need to develop onshore wind farms to help reduce our carbon emissions? I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

3.1 What do you think about the proposed design layout of Unshinagh Wind Farm?

I am happy with proposed layout

Further Comments

3.2 Please provide us with any further suggestions or comments regarding the design layout of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm

N/A

4.1 We firmly believe that wind farms should provide benefits locally and we are inviting input from the local communities on their priority projects and aims in the area, which we may be able to support. If you have any suggestions, please let us know in the box below.

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From:	No-Reply Webform
Sent:	07 October 2021 21:40
То:	Carey Green
Subject:	the form Ushinagh was submitted

1.1 How did you hear about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Word of mouth

Other (please specify)

1.2 Before visiting the website, how would you describe your knowledge of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Knew a lot

1.3 Having visited the website, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Quite a lot

2.1 Do you agree that we are facing a global climate change emergency?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.2 Do you agree that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil fuels, can help towards tackling the issue of climate change?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.3 Do you agree that we need to develop onshore wind farms to help reduce our carbon emissions? I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

3.1 What do you think about the proposed design layout of Unshinagh Wind Farm?

I am happy with proposed layout

Further Comments

3.2 Please provide us with any further suggestions or comments regarding the design layout of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm

4.1 We firmly believe that wind farms should provide benefits locally and we are inviting input from the local communities on their priority projects and aims in the area, which we may be able to support. If you have any suggestions, please let us know in the box below.

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From:	No-Reply Webform	
Sent:	07 October 2021 17:04	
То:	Carey Green	
Subject:	the form Ushinagh was submitted	

1.1 How did you hear about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Word of mouth

Other (please specify)

1.2 Before visiting the website, how would you describe your knowledge of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Knew nothing at all

1.3 Having visited the website, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

A lot

2.1 Do you agree that we are facing a global climate change emergency?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

Climate change has been a fear for years with no real action taken to delay or mitigate future climate change. Much should have been sooner but too many climate skeptics were allowed to give unsubstantiated / gerrymandered results to imply climate change wasn't real. Not only climate skeptic were a problem, corporate interests where given priority. There will have to be massive changes to how we act now if we are going to have any chance of mitigating against a potential tipping point and the very real impacts that will be felt worldwide

2.2 Do you agree that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil

fuels, can help towards tackling the issue of climate change?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

It's a no brainer , anything we can do is an important step in reducing our carbon footprint. Wind farms are a viable option

2.3 Do you agree that we need to develop onshore wind farms to help reduce our carbon emissions? I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

3.1 What do you think about the proposed design layout of Unshinagh Wind Farm?

I am happy with proposed layout

Further Comments

3.2 Please provide us with any further suggestions or comments regarding the design layout of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm

4.1 We firmly believe that wind farms should provide benefits locally and we are inviting input from the local communities on their priority projects and aims in the area, which we may be able to support. If you have any suggestions, please let us know in the box below.

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From:	No-Reply Webform
Sent:	07 October 2021 23:14
То:	Carey Green
Subject:	the form Ushinagh was submitted

1.1 How did you hear about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Newsletter through the door

Other (please specify)

1.2 Before visiting the website, how would you describe your knowledge of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Knew nothing at all

1.3 Having visited the website, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

A little

2.1 Do you agree that we are facing a global climate change emergency?

l agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.2 Do you agree that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil fuels, can help towards tackling the issue of climate change?

l agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.3 Do you agree that we need to develop onshore wind farms to help reduce our carbon emissions? I agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

3.1 What do you think about the proposed design layout of Unshinagh Wind Farm?

I have concerns about proposed layout

Further Comments

The response options do not enable me to say that I am wholly opposed to the proposed LOCATION rather than the "layout" of the proposal.

3.2 Please provide us with any further suggestions or comments regarding the design layout of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm

The farm should not be located in this most visible terrain, on the skyline in the Glens of Antrim, an area of outstanding natural beauty.

This format of comments form is wholly objectionable. The questions are self serving and fail to give respondents a full range of response options.

The key question which is not accounted for is whether respondents support or object to the proposal. For the avoidance of doubt, I object to this proposal in the strongest terms.

4.1 We firmly believe that wind farms should provide benefits locally and we are inviting input from the local communities on their priority projects and aims in the area, which we may be able to support. If you have any suggestions, please let us know in the box below.

These so-called benefits have not been itemised in any meaningful way - who will benefit and by how much? No balanced comment is made for example on the significant detriment to the community though loss of scenic beauty, loss of amenity to a popular local rural area, loss of tourism attraction, damage to the natural habitat.

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From:	No-Reply Webform
Sent:	08 October 2021 11:04
То:	Carey Green
Subject:	the form Ushinagh was submitted

1.1 How did you hear about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Word of mouth

Other (please specify)

1.2 Before visiting the website, how would you describe your knowledge of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Knew quite a lot

1.3 Having visited the website, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

A lot

2.1 Do you agree that we are facing a global climate change emergency?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.2 Do you agree that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil fuels, can help towards tackling the issue of climate change?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.3 Do you agree that we need to develop onshore wind farms to help reduce our carbon emissions? I strongly disagree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

I disagree with the overuse of ONSHORE wind farms. We already have more random wind turbines than other place in the British Isles and now we are seeing more and more large wind farms. I think the way to go is with the large estuary wind farms such as at the entrance to the Mersey.

3.1 What do you think about the proposed design layout of Unshinagh Wind Farm?

I have concerns about proposed layout

Further Comments

The proposals would site the turbines in a very visible position above the coast. Bearing in mind this is The Antrim Coast which is currently being developed into a major tourism attraction with much funding towards heritage and environmental projects. Visitors would ask" why did they do that?"

3.2 Please provide us with any further suggestions or comments regarding the design layout of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm

If it does go to planning, at least position the turbines far enough back that they can't be seen from the coast.

4.1 We firmly believe that wind farms should provide benefits locally and we are inviting input from the local communities on their priority projects and aims in the area, which we may be able to support. If you have any suggestions, please let us know in the box below.

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From:	No-Reply Webform
Sent:	07 October 2021 23:20
То:	Carey Green
Subject:	the form Ushinagh was submitted

1.1 How did you hear about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Word of mouth

Other (please specify)

1.2 Before visiting the website, how would you describe your knowledge of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Knew nothing at all

1.3 Having visited the website, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Very little

2.1 Do you agree that we are facing a global climate change emergency?

l agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.2 Do you agree that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil fuels, can help towards tackling the issue of climate change?

l agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.3 Do you agree that we need to develop onshore wind farms to help reduce our carbon emissions? I agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

3.1 What do you think about the proposed design layout of Unshinagh Wind Farm?

I have concerns about proposed layout

Further Comments

I object to the proposal in their entirety. There is no facility for me to state this in the comments form. The options above appear to be constructed to avoid respondents having a chance to state a clear objection, rather than the watered down third option.

3.2 Please provide us with any further suggestions or comments regarding the design layout of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm

4.1 We firmly believe that wind farms should provide benefits locally and we are inviting input from the local communities on their priority projects and aims in the area, which we may be able to support. If you have any suggestions, please let us know in the box below.

The benefits are wholly unclear and are short term. The clear adverse impacts have not been set out.

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From:	No-Reply Webform
Sent:	07 October 2021 21:53
То:	Carey Green
Subject:	the form Ushinagh was submitted

1.1 How did you hear about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Word of mouth

Other (please specify)

1.2 Before visiting the website, how would you describe your knowledge of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Knew quite a lot

1.3 Having visited the website, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

A lot

2.1 Do you agree that we are facing a global climate change emergency?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.2 Do you agree that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil fuels, can help towards tackling the issue of climate change?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.3 Do you agree that we need to develop onshore wind farms to help reduce our carbon emissions? I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

3.1 What do you think about the proposed design layout of Unshinagh Wind Farm?

I am happy with proposed layout

Further Comments

3.2 Please provide us with any further suggestions or comments regarding the design layout of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm

I am happy with the proposed design layout

4.1 We firmly believe that wind farms should provide benefits locally and we are inviting input from the local communities on their priority projects and aims in the area, which we may be able to support. If you have any suggestions, please let us know in the box below.

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From:	No-Reply Webform
Sent:	07 October 2021 21:17
То:	Carey Green
Subject:	the form Ushinagh was submitted

1.1 How did you hear about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Project website – www.unshinagh-windfarm.co.uk

Other (please specify)

1.2 Before visiting the website, how would you describe your knowledge of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Knew a little

1.3 Having visited the website, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

A lot

2.1 Do you agree that we are facing a global climate change emergency?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

It's the way forward weather we like it or not we have to look at renewable energy sources.

2.2 Do you agree that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil

fuels, can help towards tackling the issue of climate change?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

In the previous answer same as, we have to find new energy sources. It's going to effect our landscape we have to the weigh up the pros and cons. We will have to find new ways of producing energy. If we hadn't raped the world in the first place we would not be in this position.

2.3 Do you agree that we need to develop onshore wind farms to help reduce our carbon emissions? I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

See above

3.1 What do you think about the proposed design layout of Unshinagh Wind Farm?

I am happy with proposed layout

Further Comments

3.2 Please provide us with any further suggestions or comments regarding the design layout of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm

4.1 We firmly believe that wind farms should provide benefits locally and we are inviting input from the local communities on their priority projects and aims in the area, which we may be able to support. If you have any suggestions, please let us know in the box below.

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I am not a robot

From:	
Sent:	06 October 2021 18:47
То:	Carey Green
Subject:	Unshinagh Wind Farm

RES believes in meaningful and productive consultation and we aim to engage early with the local community and key stakeholders in order to facilitate constructive consultation. This helps to identify issues and concerns, as well as benefits and opportunities, which we can then consider when developing the design of the proposal.

Feedback from the local community is an important part of our pre-application consultation and we would be grateful if you could take the time to fill out this comments form with your feedback. The closing date for comments is 8th October 2021. Comments will still be accepted after this date but may not be considered in relation to the design development. Please note that any comments submitted to RES are not representations to the determining authority (the Strategic Planning Directorate Department for Infrastructure) and that there will be an opportunity to submit representations to the determining authority should an application be made.

1.1 How did you find out about our online exhibition?

Newsletter through the door

Advert in local newspaper

Project website – <u>www.unshinagh-windfarm.co.uk</u>

X Word of mouth

Other (please specify)

1.2 Before visiting the online exhibition how would you describe your knowledge of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Knew a lot

Knew quite a lot

X Knew a little

Knew very little

Knew nothing at all

1.3 Having visited the online exhibition, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

X Quite a lot

A little

Very little

Nothing at all

1.4 Do you have any suggestions for ways in which we could have improved our online exhibition?

Some more visual aids would be helpful.

2 Climate change and renewables

- 2.1 Do you agree that we are facing a global climate change emergency?
- X I strongly agree
 - l agree
 - I don't know
 - I disagree
 - I strongly disagree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.2 Do you agree that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil fuels, can help towards tackling the issue of climate change?

- X I strongly agree
 - l agree
 - I don't know
 - I disagree
 - I strongly disagree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.3 Do you agree that we need to develop onshore wind farms to help reduce our carbon emissions?

X I strongly agree

l agree

I don't know

I disagree

I strongly disagree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

3 Unshinagh Wind Farm Proposal

- 3.1 What do you think about the proposed design layout of Unshinagh Wind Farm?
- X I am happy with proposed layout

I am neutral towards to the proposed layout

I have concerns about proposed layout

I don't like wind farms in general

Further comments:

3.2 Please provide us with any further suggestions or comments regarding the design layout of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm

Return existing animal and wildlife habitat post works.

4 Local benefit

4.1 We firmly believe that wind farms should provide benefits locally and we are inviting input from the local communities on their priority projects and aims in the area, which we may be able to support. If you have any suggestions, please let us know in the box below.

Local sustainable project creation such as community allotments, native tree planting and restoring peatlands.

5 Your details

Please provide your name and contact details below.

Your contact details will be treated by RES with the strictest of confidence, in line with the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) 2018. We may at times share your contact details, in confidence, with third parties who we employ to help process your comments or update you on the project and by providing your details below you consent to this. You may write to RES at any time to ask that your contact details be removed from our records and from any third parties we work with.



If you would like to be kept up to date with the project, please tick this box

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When you have completed the comments form, please send by email to <u>carey.green@res-group.com</u> or by post to: Unshinagh Wind Farm Project Team, RES, Willowbank Business Park, Millbrook, Larne, County Antrim, BT40 2SF.

From:	No-Reply Webform
Sent:	06 October 2021 18:04
То:	Carey Green
Subject:	the form Ushinagh was submitted

1.1 How did you hear about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Word of mouth

Other (please specify)

1.2 Before visiting the website, how would you describe your knowledge of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Knew a little

1.3 Having visited the website, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Quite a lot

2.1 Do you agree that we are facing a global climate change emergency?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.2 Do you agree that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil fuels, can help towards tackling the issue of climate change?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.3 Do you agree that we need to develop onshore wind farms to help reduce our carbon emissions? I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

3.1 What do you think about the proposed design layout of Unshinagh Wind Farm?

I am happy with proposed layout

Further Comments

3.2 Please provide us with any further suggestions or comments regarding the design layout of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm

4.1 We firmly believe that wind farms should provide benefits locally and we are inviting input from the local communities on their priority projects and aims in the area, which we may be able to support. If you have any suggestions, please let us know in the box below.

I feel there should be more down to reduce our carbon footprint before it's too late Please provide your name and contact details below. Name

E-mail

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From:	No-Reply Webform
Sent:	07 October 2021 18:34
То:	Carey Green
Subject:	the form Ushinagh was submitted

1.1 How did you hear about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Word of mouth

Other (please specify)

1.2 Before visiting the website, how would you describe your knowledge of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Knew nothing at all

1.3 Having visited the website, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

A lot

2.1 Do you agree that we are facing a global climate change emergency?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.2 Do you agree that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil fuels, can help towards tackling the issue of climate change?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.3 Do you agree that we need to develop onshore wind farms to help reduce our carbon emissions? I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

3.1 What do you think about the proposed design layout of Unshinagh Wind Farm?

I am happy with proposed layout

Further Comments

3.2 Please provide us with any further suggestions or comments regarding the design layout of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm

It's brilliant to see initiatives being proposed for renewable energies; the current energy crisis has highlighted the urgent need for significant work into improving our energy supply. The need to focus on green energy is obviously paramount in today's world

4.1 We firmly believe that wind farms should provide benefits locally and we are inviting input from the local communities on their priority projects and aims in the area, which we may be able to support. If you have any suggestions, please let us know in the box below.

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North Coast Beauty powerhouse is fresh face of prestigious awards

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Elanna McGowan, the Canadian beauty entrepreneur who has made the North Coast her home, has been revealed as a face of the 2022 NI Beauty Excellence Awards, sponsored by West Coast Cooler.

Known as Elle Pearls online, Elanna has taken the beauty industry by storm, recently launching her own line of vegan and cruelty free cosmetics Pearl Beauty.

With over a quarter of a million followers on Instagram and YouTube, Elanna has a decade of experience in the beauty and makeup industry, working with some of



Official ambassadors for the Northern Ireland Beauty Excellence Awards, including Elanna McGowan (left)

the most prestigious brands in the market before creating herown.

Now, the entrepreneur has taken on the role of Ambassador of the awards which will honour salons, hairdressers, clinics, spas, products and industry experts in May 2022. She will also sit alongside Paul

Stafford, Katrina Doran, Linda Stinson and Dr Mervyn Patterson on the esteemed judging panel.

Ballymoney man Stephen

Fletcher has thanked everyone who helped him raise over

£2,500 for charity during his

charity vision4kids, held his

annual 24-hour sit-out on Church Street in the town.

nated in cash by the general public who once again showed

their generosity so quickly af-

ter Christmas.

and donate.

Stephen, from children's

A total of £2,521.28 was do-

Stephen said: "It was great

to be back in the town this year

after the Covid lockdown of

2020 and I'm so thankful to all

who stopped to wish me well

online contributions over the holiday weekend, generated a

staggering total of £7,026.60

which will go in its entirely to

New Year's Eve sit-out.

Elanna said: "My passion

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for beauty comes from seeing the confidence and positivity that comes from applying just a little makeup, and I'm committed to being a voice of positivity throughout an industry which can sometimes get a little negative, especially in certain corners of the internet.

"My space is one for positivity and passion, and I am re-ally excited to not only partner with the NI Beauty Excellence Awards as an ambassador, but also join the judging panel and sit alongside some of Northern Ireland's incredible stalwarts of the industry.

"Since moving from Canada, I am struck by the creativity, uniqueness and value of the entire beauty, aesthetics, hair, nails and cosmetics industry here - as with many things in Northern Ireland, they really

Success for Stephen's vision4kids charity sit out

do give the rest of the world some great competition!"

Elanna joins Nail Technician and Educator of the Elim beauty range, Ingrid Graham and Magherafelt lifestyle and fashion influencer Ashlee Coburn as ambassadors for the 2022 Awards.

Creator and organiser Sarah Weir of Weir Events added; "I'm so excited for Elanna, Ingrid and Ashlee to be on board this year. They are three of the most respected voices online when it comes to lifestyle and beauty, they are trusted and authentic and are doing brilliant things with local businesses-even creating their own!"

The Awards take place on May 15 at the Crowne Plaza, Belfast. Check out www. nibeautyexcellence.com.

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Stephen during his sit-out

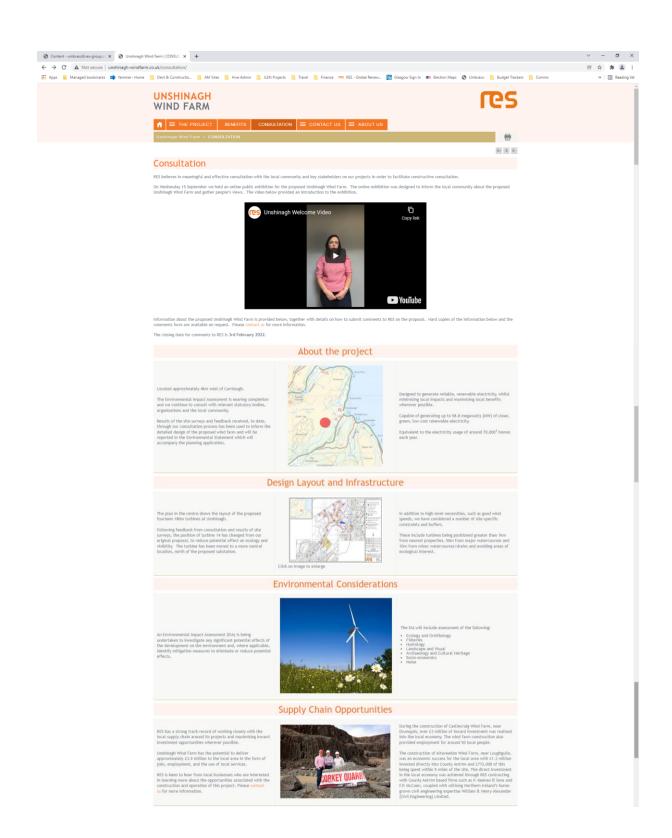
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Other (please specify)

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Knew a little

1.3 Having visited the website, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

A little

2.1 Do you agree that we are facing a global climate change emergency?

l agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.2 Do you agree that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil fuels, can help towards tackling the issue of climate change?

I agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.3 Do you agree that we need to develop onshore wind farms to help reduce our carbon emissions? I disagree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

3.1 What do you think about the proposed design layout of Unshinagh Wind Farm?

I have concerns about proposed layout

Further Comments

I think it is ruining an area of outstanding beauty. I also think we should look at offshore wind farms. There is also the impact on the wildlife.

3.2 Please provide us with any further suggestions or comments regarding the design layout of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm

4.1 We firmly believe that wind farms should provide benefits locally and we are inviting input from the local communities on their priority projects and aims in the area, which we may be able to support. If you have any suggestions, please let us know in the box below.

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Other (please specify)

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Knew very little

1.3 Having visited the website, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Quite a lot

2.1 Do you agree that we are facing a global climate change emergency?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

I agree strongly. How ever we should consider the placement of wind farms. I don't want them to impact the beautiful Glens of Antrim

2.2 Do you agree that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil fuels, can help towards tackling the issue of climate change?

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If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.3 Do you agree that we need to develop onshore wind farms to help reduce our carbon emissions? I disagree

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I have concerns about proposed layout

Further Comments

It would spoil the landscape. We live in one of the most amazing and important places of natural beauty in the world.

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I don't have any suggestion other than put them far far out at sea away from our coast line 4.1 We firmly believe that wind farms should provide benefits locally and we are inviting input from the local communities on their priority projects and aims in the area, which we may be able to support. If you have any suggestions, please let us know in the box below.

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Other (please specify)

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Knew quite a lot

1.3 Having visited the website, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Very little

2.1 Do you agree that we are facing a global climate change emergency?

I disagree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.2 Do you agree that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil fuels, can help towards tackling the issue of climate change?

I agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

But this should be done via less intrusive measures for example offshore wind, development of wave and tidal turbines.

2.3 Do you agree that we need to develop onshore wind farms to help reduce our carbon emissions? I strongly disagree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

As above I believe that the destruction of our natural beauty and diverse habitat all for financial gain is only adding to the ruination of our countryside.

3.1 What do you think about the proposed design layout of Unshinagh Wind Farm?

I have concerns about proposed layout

Further Comments

We have lived and enjoyed the countryside for years and will be one of the closest residential properties to the wind turbines and it will destroy this area which is rich in beautiful wildlife. Curlew, Red kite, Cuckoo, all of which I see with my own eye.

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Word of mouth

Other (please specify)

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Knew quite a lot

1.3 Having visited the website, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

A lot

2.1 Do you agree that we are facing a global climate change emergency?

l agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.2 Do you agree that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil fuels, can help towards tackling the issue of climate change?

I agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.3 Do you agree that we need to develop onshore wind farms to help reduce our carbon emissions?

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

3.1 What do you think about the proposed design layout of Unshinagh Wind Farm?

I have concerns about proposed layout

I don't like wind farms in general

Further Comments

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Other (please specify)

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Knew a little

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Quite a lot

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I agree

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If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

3.1 What do you think about the proposed design layout of Unshinagh Wind Farm?

I have concerns about proposed layout

Further Comments

Whilst there are quite obvious benefits from a wind farm for the environment, the landscape must also be considered. This will be an eyesore & will discourage tourists therefore impacting local businesses which have already faced such challenging times through the pandemic. This is not the answer!!!

3.2 Please provide us with any further suggestions or comments regarding the design layout of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm

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Other (please specify)

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Knew very little

1.3 Having visited the website, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

A little

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I agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.2 Do you agree that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil fuels, can help towards tackling the issue of climate change?

I don't know

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

2.3 Do you agree that we need to develop onshore wind farms to help reduce our carbon emissions? I don't know

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

3.1 What do you think about the proposed design layout of Unshinagh Wind Farm?

I don't like wind farms in general

Further Comments

This will be an eyesore in an area of outstanding natural beauty and will have negative impact on local wildlife, particularly birds

3.2 Please provide us with any further suggestions or comments regarding the design layout of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm

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There are no local benefits to this proposal. In fact I would say it will mean the beauty of the area will be destroyed for ever with views being destroyed for locals and holiday visitors alike

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1.3 Having visited the website, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding about the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm?

Quite a lot

2.1 Do you agree that we are facing a global climate change emergency?

I strongly agree

If you disagree or strongly disagree please explain why:

Although I agree i think more suitable places could be found rather than disturbing the beauty of this area.

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I strongly agree

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3.1 What do you think about the proposed design layout of Unshinagh Wind Farm?

I am neutral towards to the proposed layout

Further Comments

It shouldn't happen in this area. There are less important scenic areas that could house this farm. This is a risk to the natural beauty of this area impacting tourism and even potentially house prices. **3.2 Please provide us with any further suggestions or comments regarding the design layout of the proposed Unshinagh Wind Farm**

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Find a new area for this project. The people of Carnlough will vehemently oppose this proposal. **Please provide your name and contact details below.**

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If you would like to be kept up to date with the project, please tick this box

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