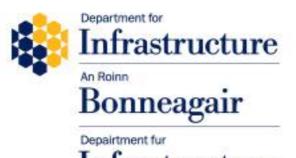
Appendix G: DFI Planning Letter 6th January 2023

Strategic Planning Directorate



Mr. David McVeigh RES UK & Ireland Limited Willowbank Business Park Willowbank Road Millbrook Larne County Antrim BT40 2SF Infrastructure

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Clarence Court 10-18 Adelaide Street BELFAST BT2 8GB

Email: planning@infrastructure-ni.gov.uk

Our Reference: DFIPG 003/23

6 January 2022

Dear Mr. McVeigh

RE: Carnbuck Amended PAN

I refer to your correspondence of 5 January 2023 regarding a request to amend your Proposal of Application Notice (PAN), ref. LA01/2022/1202/PAN.

The Department considers the revised date and time for the statutory public event under Regulation 5 of The Planning (Development Management) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 is acceptable as an amendment to your original PAN.

The advice provided in our original response of 17 November to your PAN application is still applicable.

Yours sincerely

Strategic Planning Directorate

Appendix H: Letter to local representatives - Second Consultation





Dear

RE: Proposed Carnbuck Wind Farm, near Corkey, County Antrim

I am writing to advise you that RES is exploring the potential for a wind farm, in the townlands of Carnbuck, Magheraboy and Moneyneagh, near Corkey, adjacent to the existing Gruig Wind Farm. Following public consultation on the proposal in March 2022, we hope to submit a planning application early next year.

In accordance with planning regulations, we will be holding a second consultation event in advance of submitting a full Environmental Statement along with the planning application for determination. As such, we have submitted a Proposal of Application Notice (PAN) to the Department for Infrastructure, a copy of which is attached to this letter.

RES is committed to ongoing engagement with the local community and key stakeholders to facilitate constructive consultation. Once we have received feedback on the PAN, we will undertake various consultation activities including newsletter distribution, updates on our dedicated project website and an in-person and online public exhibition.

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 over 40 years, RES has delivered more than 23GW of renewable energy projects across the globe. In Northern Ireland, RES has developed and/or constructed over 350MW and operates over 150MW of wind projects.

If consented, Carnbuck Wind Farm would make a positive contribution to the requirement set out in the Northern Ireland Climate Act 2022 to meet at least 80% of electricity consumption from renewable sources by 2030. The scheme would also continue to build on the success of the renewable energy sector in NI, creating skilled, sustainable jobs and generating significant inward investment.

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.

Sincerely



David McVeigh Development Project Manager E <u>david.mcveigh@res-group.com</u> D +44 282 844 0583 M +44 7442 988 065 Form PAN1

Proposal of Application Notice

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1a. Applicant's name and address

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

Name:	Renewable Energy Systems Limited	Name:	N/A
Address:	C1/C2 Willowbank Business Park,	Address:	
	Willowbank Road, Millbrook		
Town:	Larne	Town:	
Postcode:	BT40 2SF	Postcode:	
Tel:	028 2844 0583	Tel:	
E-mail:	david.mcveigh@res-group.com	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.

Lands in the townlands of Carnbuck, Magheraboy and Moneyneagh, east/south-east of the village of Corkey, Co. Antrim.

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

393. 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.

Proposed Carnbuck Wind Farm comprising: up to 12 three-bladed horizontal axis wind turbines, each up to 180m maximum height above ground level; associated external transformers; underground cabling; access tracks; turning heads; crane hardstandings; control building and substation compound, energy storage containers, mast, off-site areas of widening to the public road and all ancillary works. The development also comprises upgrades to the existing site entrance and access tracks of Gruig Wind Farm. During construction and commissioning there would be a number of temporary works including a construction compound with car parking; temporary parts of crane hardstandings; welfare facilities and temporary guyed meterological masts.

5. What is the total gross floorspace of the proposed development?

N/A

6. If the proposed development includes a renewable energy project, what is the total amount of power (in kilowatts or megawatts) expected to be generated per year?

7. Which type of planning permission does this Proposal of Application Notice relate to? (Please tick)

Full planning permission

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Outline planning permission

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

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

9. Has an Environmental Impact Assessment determination been made?

Yes	
No	V

(Please enclose a copy of the determination made under Part 2 of the Planning [Environmental Impact Assessment] Regulations [NI] 2015)

10. Please give details of proposed consultation

Proposed public event	Venue	Date and Time
Public Exhibition, including maps	The Millennium Centre	Tuesday 17th January 2023
and visualisations of the proposal	Lough Road	4pm-8pm
and providing the opportunity to	Loughgiel	
ask questions and give feeback	Ballymena	
	BT44 9JN	
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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
Braid District Electoral Area: Councillor Beth Adger MBA Councillor Brian Collins Councillor Christopher Jamieson Councillor David Reid Councillor Julie Frew Alderman Robin Cherry MBE Councillor William McCaughey	The Glens District Electoral Area: Alderman Joan Baird Councillor Margaret-Anne McKillop Councillor Oliver McMullan Councillor Padraig McShane Councillor Cara McShane	11th November 2022
Other North Antrim MLAs Mr Jim Allister Mr Paul Frew Mr Philip McGruigan Dr Patricia O'Lynn Mr Robin Swann		Date notice served 11th November 2022

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?

Yes

Yes

No

No

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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13. Declaration

N/A

Signature:	
Print name:	DAVID MCVEIGH
Date:	11th November 2022

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.

Strategic Planning Directorate

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Clarence Court 10-18 Adelaide Street Belfast BT2 8GB Tel: 0300 200 7830

Your ref: 3400671 Our ref: LA06/2022/0053/DETRSD.

Date: 24 February 2022

Dear Fiona,

- Location: Townlands of Carnbuck, Magheraboy and Moneyneagh, near Corkey, County Antrim.
- Proposal: Up to 12 x three-bladed horizontal wind turbines, each up to 180m maximum height above ground level and associated external electricity transformers.
- Applicant: Renewable Energy Systems Limited.

I refer to your letter dated 19 January 2022 and your request for a determination under Section 26 of the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 for the above proposal.

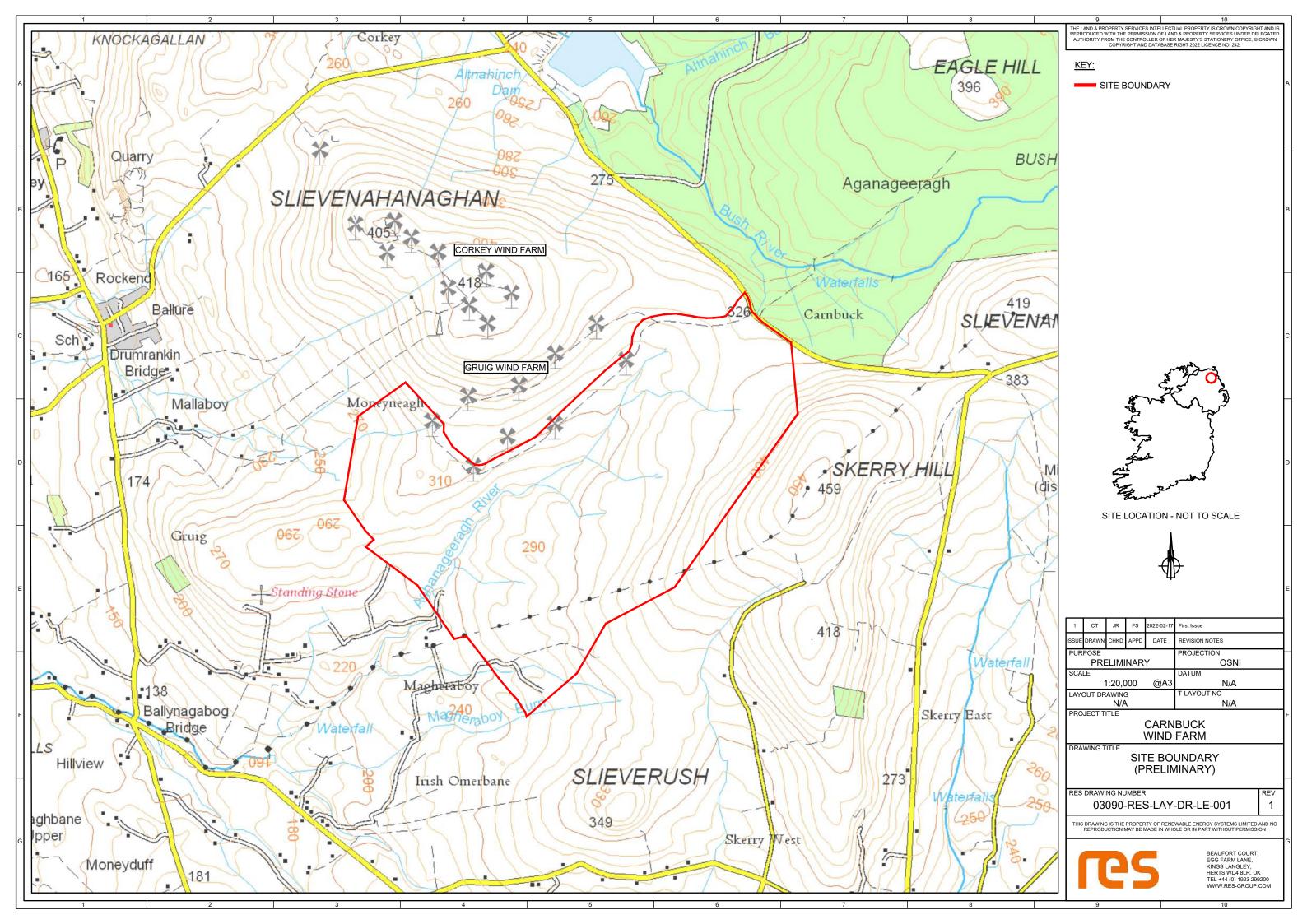
Having considered the information provided, the Department is of the opinion that the development would, if carried out, be of significance to the whole or a substantial part of Northern Ireland.

In accordance with Section 26(4) of the above Act, the Department hereby notifies the prospective applicant that the development proposed is development to which Section 26 applies. Any planning application should therefore be made to the Department for Infrastructure.

Yours sincerely

Graeme Walker

Principal Planning Officer



David McVeigh

From:	Carey Green
Sent:	Friday, January 6, 2023 12:23 PM
То:	
Cc:	David McVeigh
Subject:	RE: Carnbuck Wind Farm Proposal
Attachments:	Amended Carnbuck - PAN_05.01.2023.pdf; Carnbuck Newsletter (Email Verison).pdf



Further to our previous email, the public exhibition for the proposed Carnbuck Wind Farm will now be held on Thursday 26th January 2023 from 4pm to 8pm. Please find attached an updated Proposal of Application Notice along with a revised newsletter which will instead be sent shortly to residential properties within 3km and community groups within 5km of the proposed site. We have scheduled updated advertisements to appear in the Ballymoney and Moyle Times and Ballymoney Chronicle on 11th and 12th January respectively.

If you would like any further information, or have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards, Carey Green Community Relations Manager

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From: Carey Green
Sent: 04 January 2023 10:39
To
Cc: David McVeigh <<u>david.mcveigh@res-group.com</u>>
Subject: RE: Carnbuck Wind Farm Proposal

Dear

Further to our email of 13th November, please find attached a newsletter regarding an upcoming public exhibition for the Carnbuck Wind Farm proposal, on 17th January. The newsletter has been sent to residential properties within 3km and community groups within 5km of the proposed site and advertisements have also been placed in the Ballymoney and Moyle Times and the Ballymoney Chronicle.

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From: Carey Green Sent: 13 November 2022 12:43

To:

Cc: David McVeigh <<u>david.mcveigh@res-group.com</u>> Subject: Carnbuck Wind Farm Proposal

Dear

I am writing to advise you that RES is exploring the potential for a wind farm, in the townlands of Carnbuck, Magheraboy and Moneyneagh, near Corkey, adjacent to the existing Gruig Wind Farm. Following public consultation on the proposal in March 2022, we hope to submit a planning application early next year. Further information can be found in the attached letter.

If you would like any further information, or have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards, Carey Green Community Liaison Officer

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Yes	

No

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

N/A

13. Declaration

Signature:	
Print name:	DAVID MCVEIGH
Date:	5th January 2023

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In accordance with planning regulations, we will be holding a public exhibition in the local area to enable people to find out more about the proposal and provide us with their views, in advance of submitting a full Environmental Statement along with the planning application for determination.

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

HAVE YOUR SAY

We are holding a public exhibition in the local area to share information on the proposal and to enable you to provide us with your feedback. RES staff will be on hand to answer any questions or for more information.

> Thursday 26th January 2023 4pm to 8pm The Millennium Centre, Loughgiel, BT44 9JN



All information provided at the public exhibition will also be available at www.carnbuck-windfarm.co.uk from 26th January 2023. Hard copies of materials will be available by calling RES on 02828 440 580.

Comments forms will be available at the public exhibition and on the website above from the day of the exhibition and can be submitted at the public exhibition or via the website stated above. Hard copies can be sent by post to the address overleaf. The public exhibition initiates a consultation period being run by RES to gather comments on the proposal. The closing date for comments is 9th February 2023 at 5pm.

Please note that comments submitted to RES at the Online Public Exhibition are not representations to the determining authority (Strategic Planning Directorate Department for Infrastructure). There will be an opportunity to submit representations to the determining authority should a planning application be submitted.

CARNBUCK WIND FARM AT A GLANCE

The wind farm proposal is for 12 turbines up to 180m in height.

The wind farm would be capable of generating around 50 megawatts (MW) of clean, green, low-cost renewable electricity, equivalent to the electricity usage of around 55,000¹ homes each year. The wind farm would share a site entrance and some infrastructure with Gruig Wind Farm, reducing the environmental footprint and traffic movements.



RES IN NORTHERN IRELAND

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RES has a proven track record of using local contractors to maximise inward investment as demonstrated at the newly constructed Craiggore Wind Farm, near Limavady, where 16 NI based contractors were used during construction.



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

¹The homes figure has been calculated by taking the predicted annual electricity generation of the site (based on RES assessments Carnbuck has a predicted capacity factor of 46.75%) 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 3,748 kWh (Dec 2021).

Appendix J: Public Exhibition newspaper advert - Second Consultation

Coleraine and Ballymoney Times - Wednesday 11th January 2023



Ballymoney Chronicle - Thursday 12th January 2023



Appendix K: Second Exhibition Information on Display

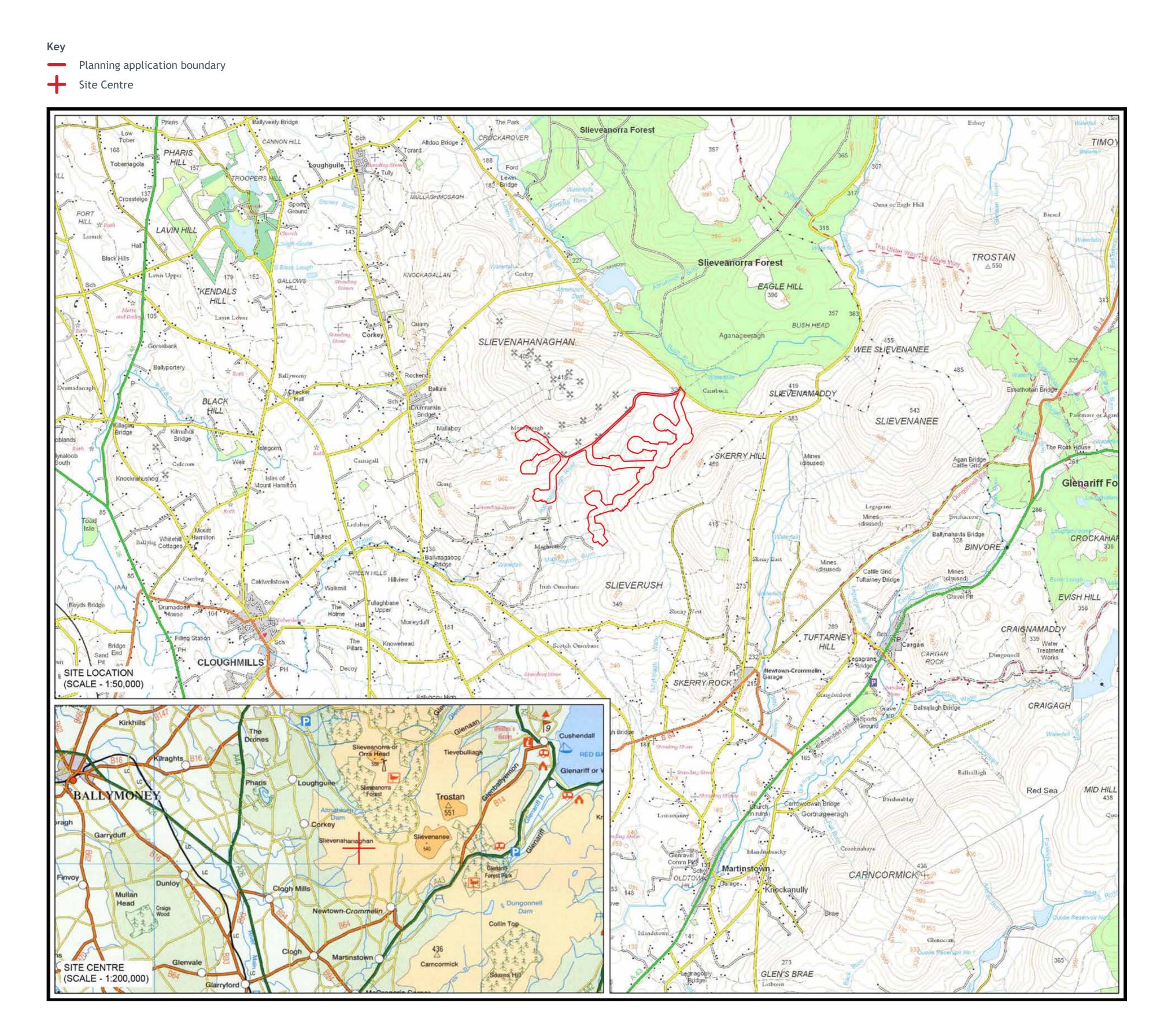


About the Project

RES is currently consulting on its plans for a proposed wind farm called Carnbuck located in the townlands of Carnbuck, Magheraboy and Moneyneagh, near Corkey, Co. Antrim, adjacent to the existing Gruig Wind Farm.

Carnbuck Wind Farm has been designed to generate reliable, renewable electricity, whilst minimising local impacts and maximising local benefits wherever possible.

The wind farm would be capable of generating around 50 megawatts (MW) of clean, green, lowcost renewable electricity. Equivalent to the electricity usage of around 55,000¹ homes each year.



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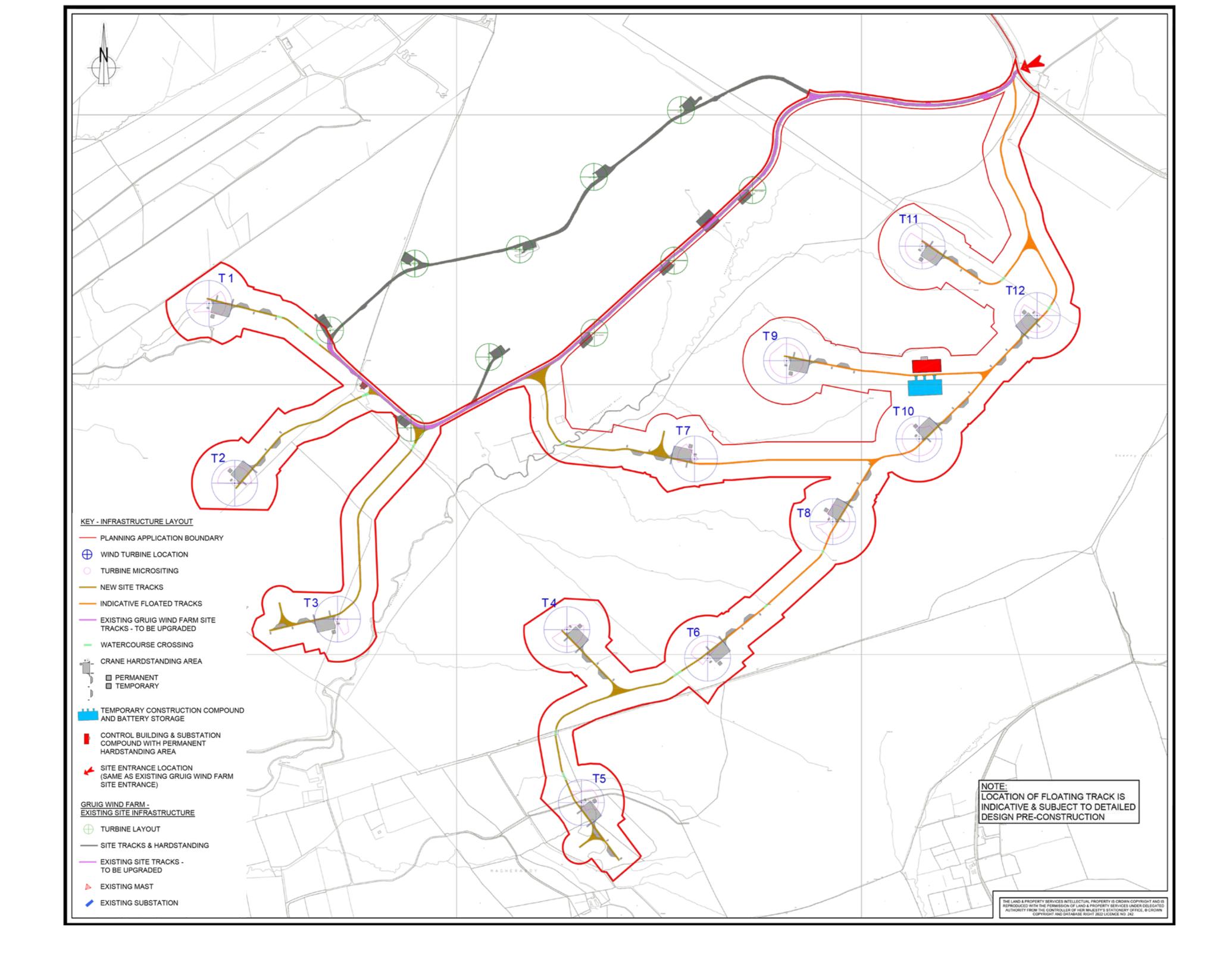
Design Layout and Infrastructure

The wind farm proposal is for 12 turbines up to 180m in height.

The proposed wind farm would share a site entrance and some infrastructure with Gruig Wind Farm, reducing the environmental footprint and traffic movements

The layout has been developed in response to feedback from stakeholders and the community along with the results of numerous environmental surveys that have been undertaken.

In addition to high-level necessities such as good wind-speeds, we have considered a number of site-specific features and buffers. These include turbines being located more than 1km from nearest properties, 50m from major watercourses and 10m from minor watercourses, and avoidance of areas of ecological interest and prominent hilltops.





Supply Chain Opportunities

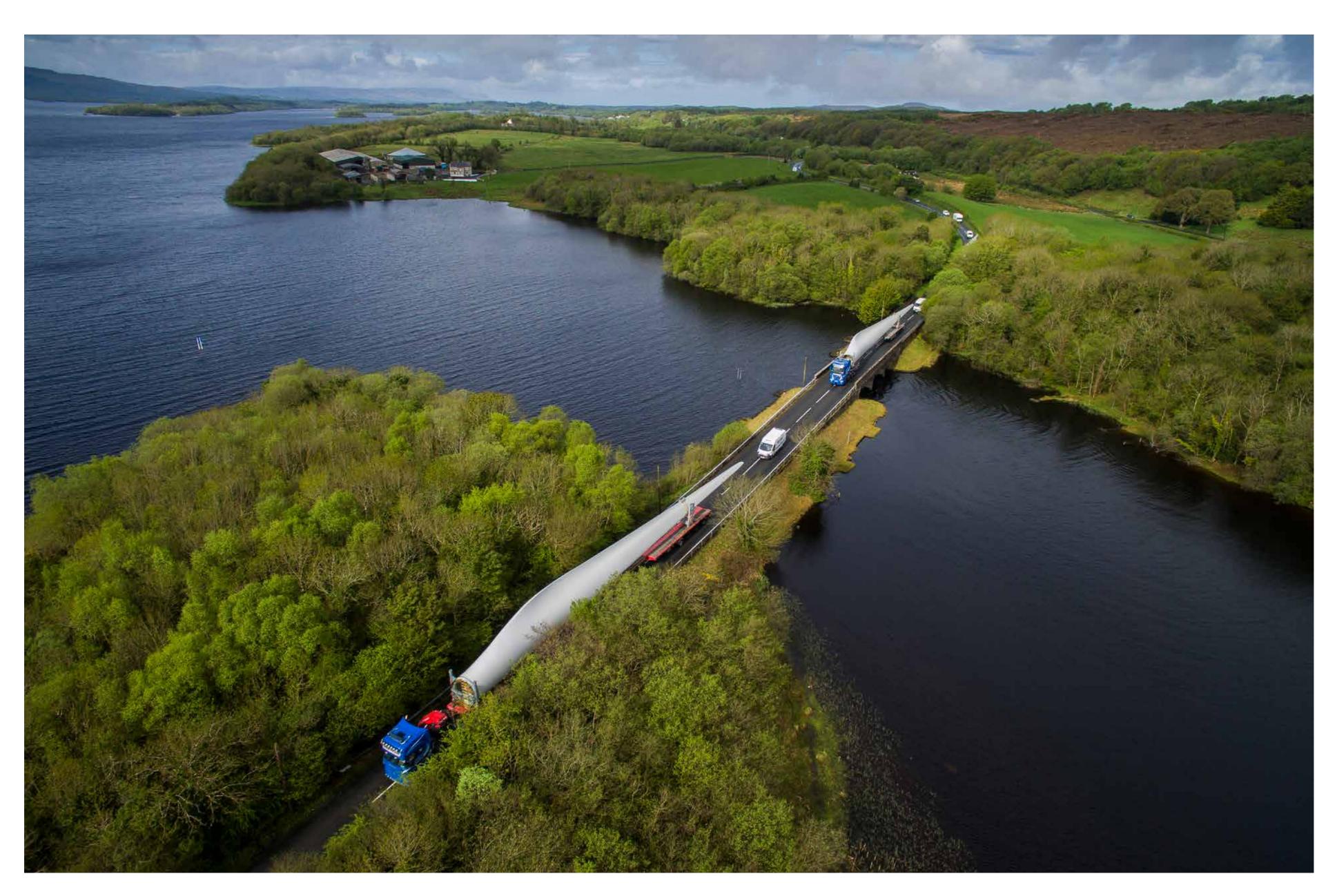
RES has a strong track-record of working closely with the local supply chain around its projects and maximising inward investment opportunities wherever possible.

Carnbuck Wind Farm has the potential to deliver approximately £3.3 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.

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

The construction of Altaveeden Wind Farm, near Loughguile was an economic success for local area, with £1.3 million invested directly into Co. Antrim with £772,000 of this spent within 5 miles of the site. A number of local contractors were used including P. Keenan and Sons, F.P. McCann and William and Henry Alexander (Civil Engineering) Limited.



Turbine deliveries at Castlecraig Wind Farm, near Drumquin, where £3 million inward investment was realised into the local economy



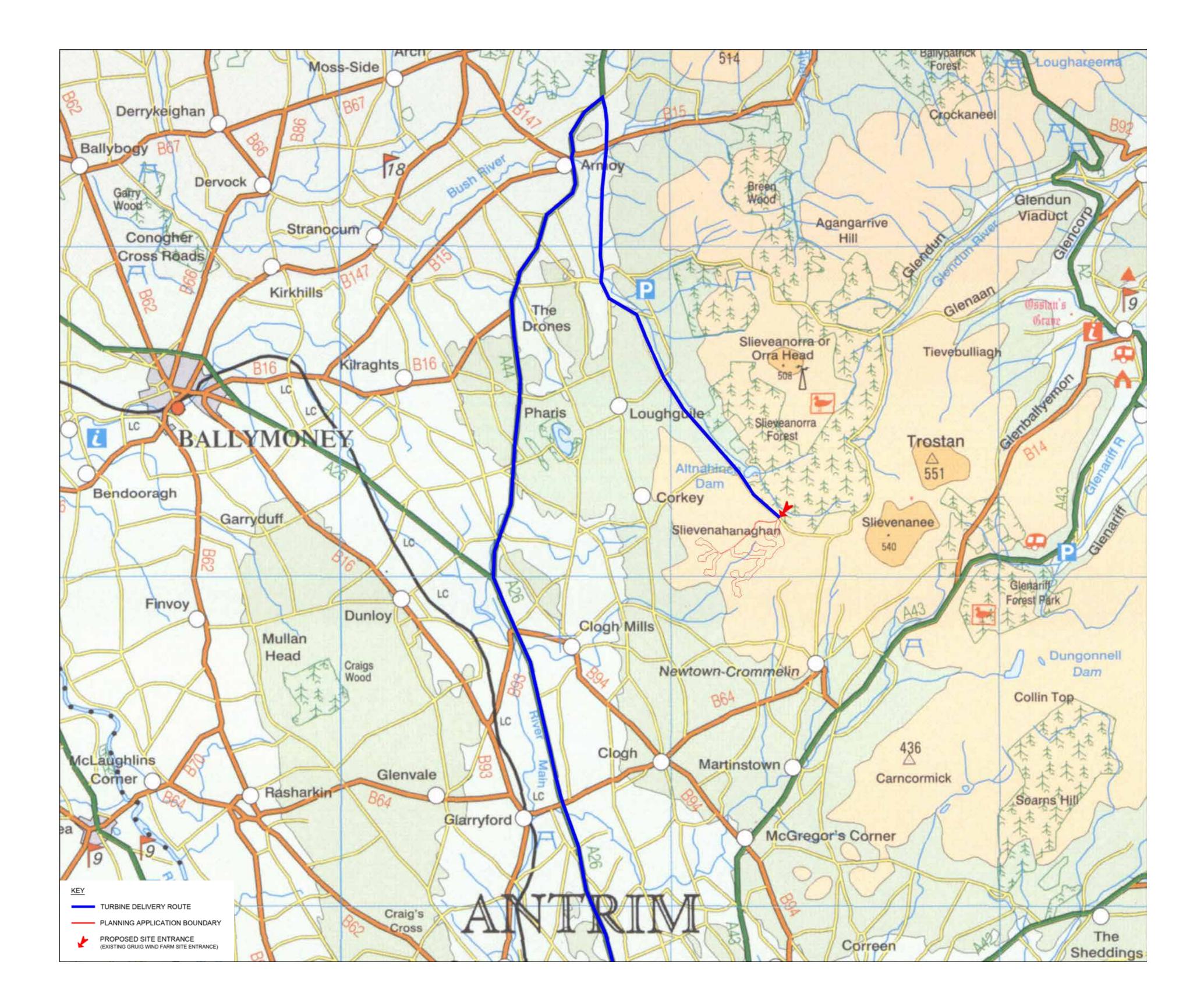
Traffic and Transport

Access is one of the key considerations when selecting a potential wind farm site, particularly with regard to the turbine deliveries.

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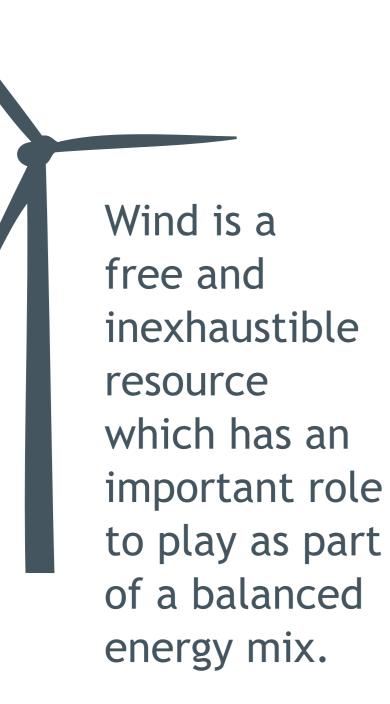
A transport assessment will be undertaken as part of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process and, if the wind farm is given consent, a detailed Traffic Management Plan will be agreed with the highways authorities and the police, and in consultation with the local community.

Wherever reasonably practicable we will use materials available on site and source construction materials locally in order to help reduce traffic movements.



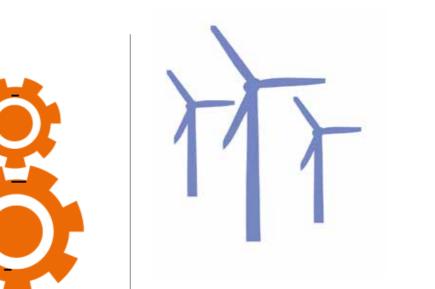


Why Wind?





Tackling Climate Change by supporting Northern Ireland's Climate Bill, which has a target of 80% of electricity consumption from renewable sources by 2030.



Onshore wind, alongside large-



Enables us to generate our own electricity reducing reliance on imports and improving security of supply.

Northern Ireland consumers avoided paying £500 million to import gas last year because wind farms provided nearly 42% of our electricity².

Can be quick to deploy. scale solar and offshore wind are now the cheapest forms of new electricity generation¹.



Bunnyconnellen Wind Farm, Co. Mayo. For illustrative purposes only

¹ https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/911817/electricity-generation-cost-report-2020.pdf ² (https://renewableni.com/wind-saves-ni-500m-in-2022/)

Renewables Good for Northern Ireland's environment, economy & consumers

RES has been playing a pivotal role in providing Northern Ireland with renewable energy since the early 1990s. Working together with businesses based in Northern Ireland our projects contribute to the local economy and utilise our home-grown energy sources.

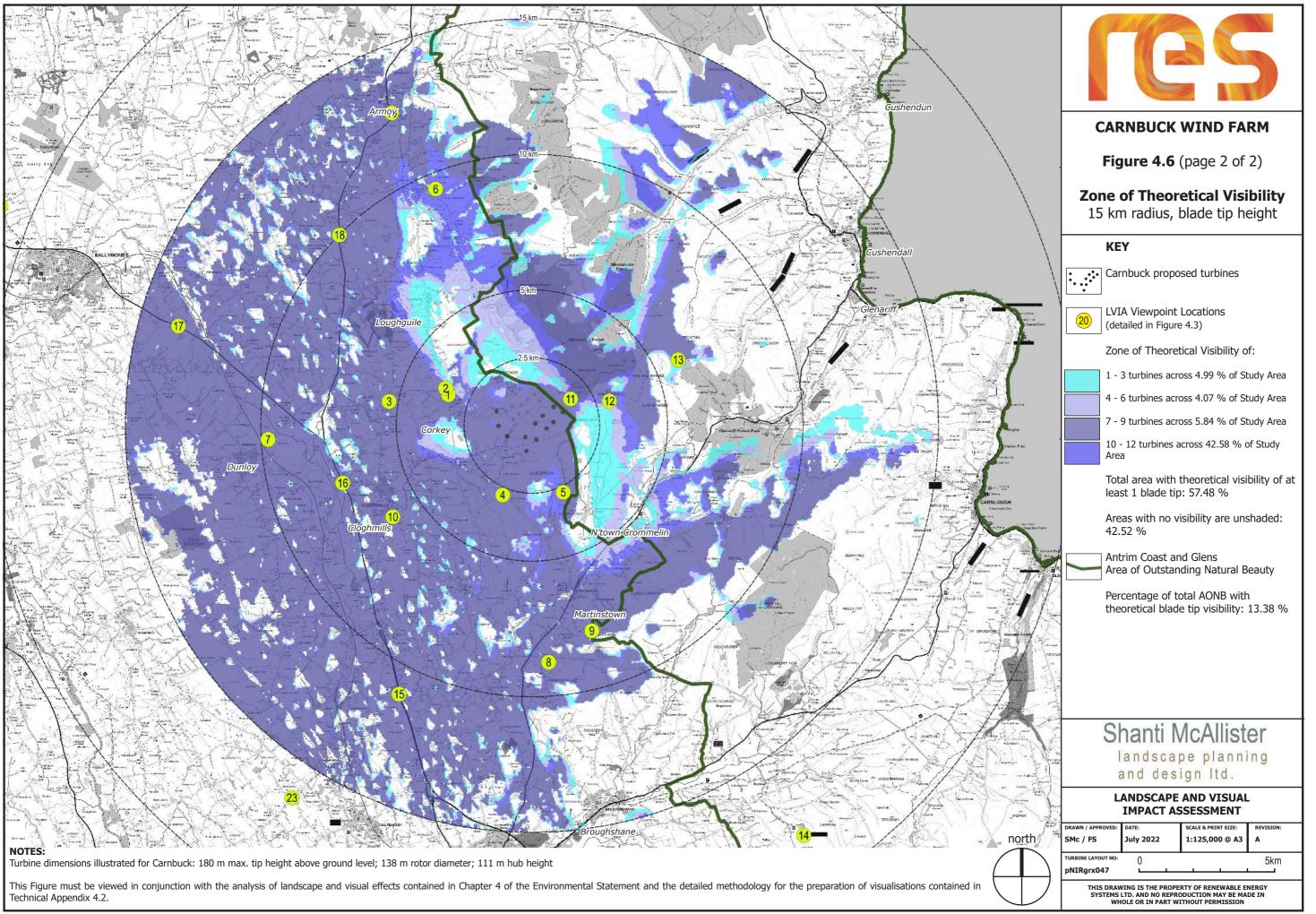
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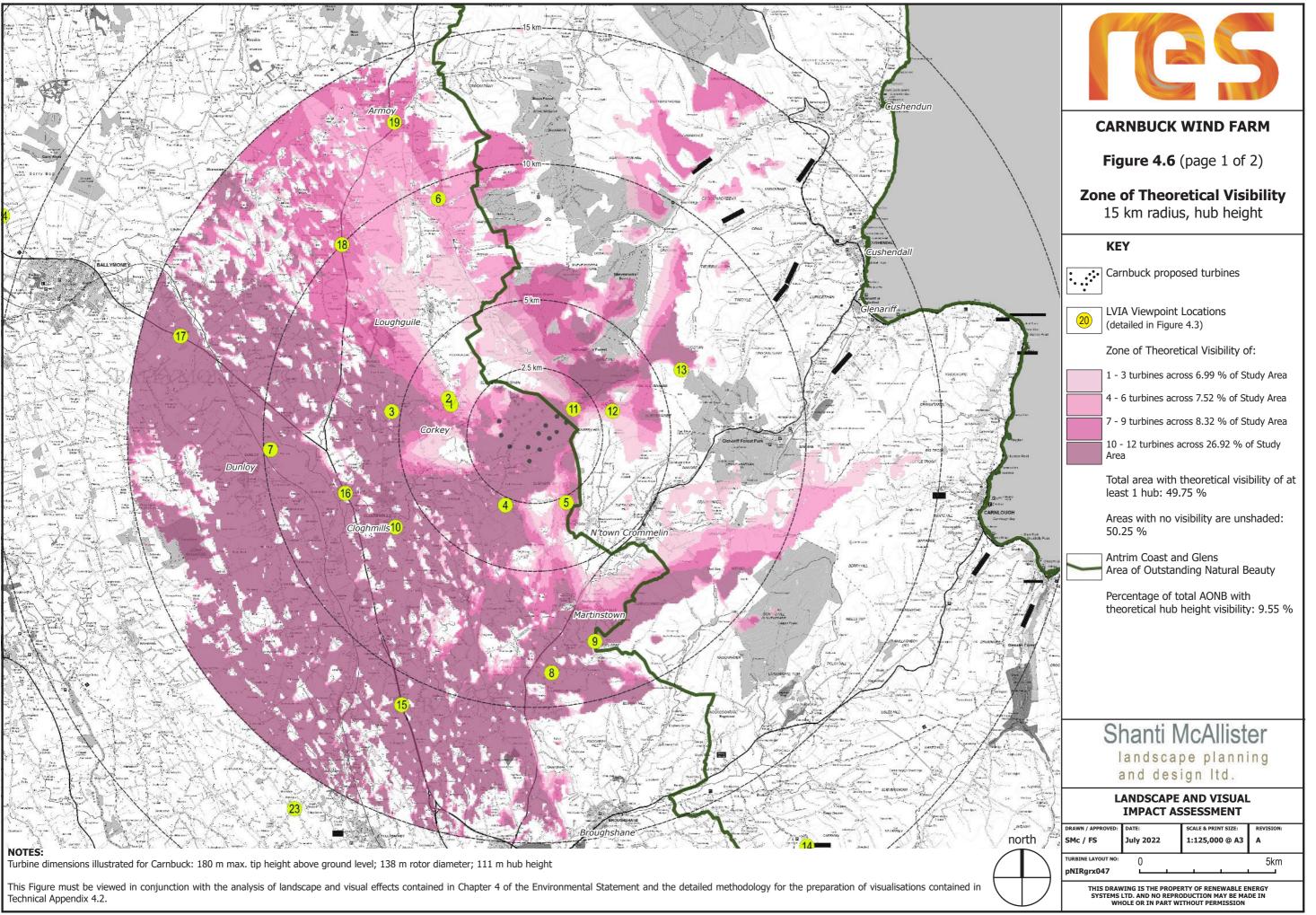


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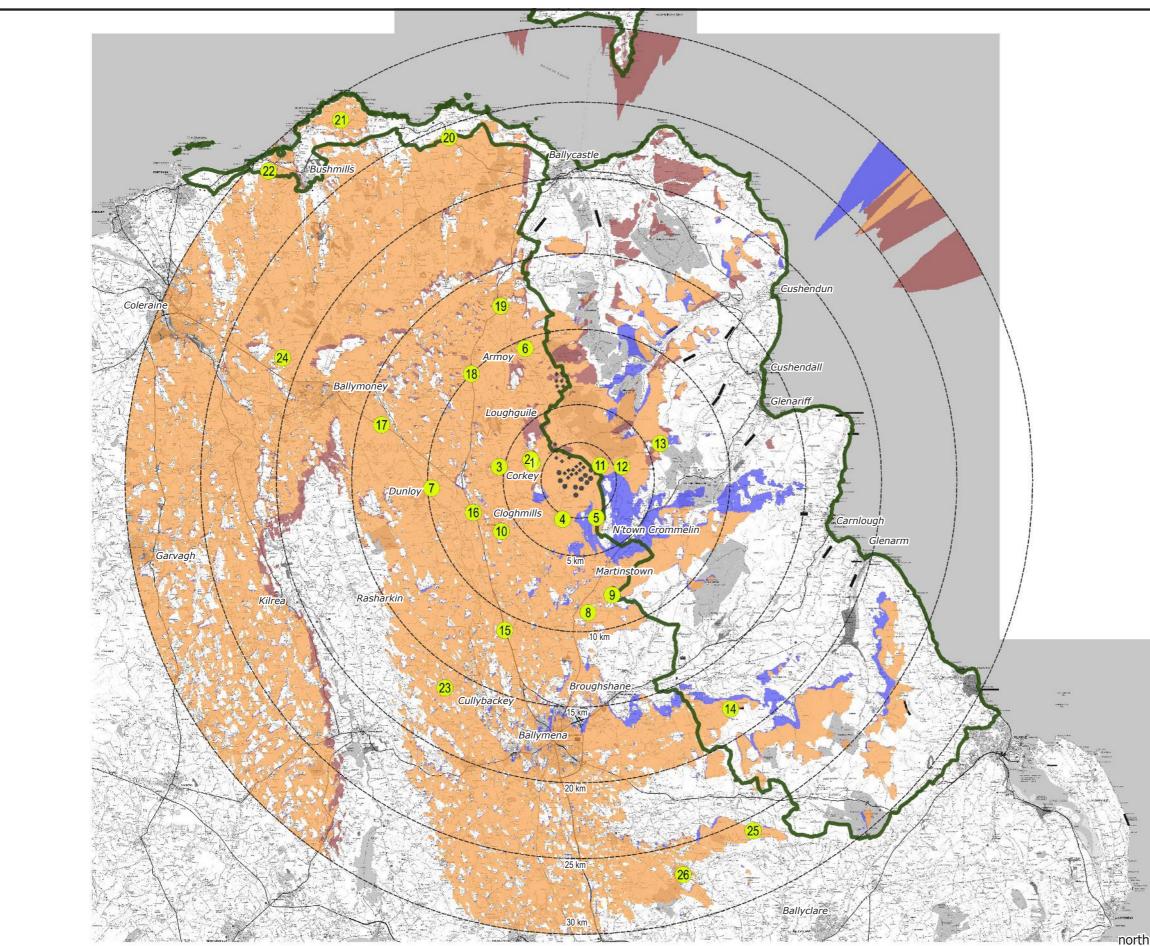




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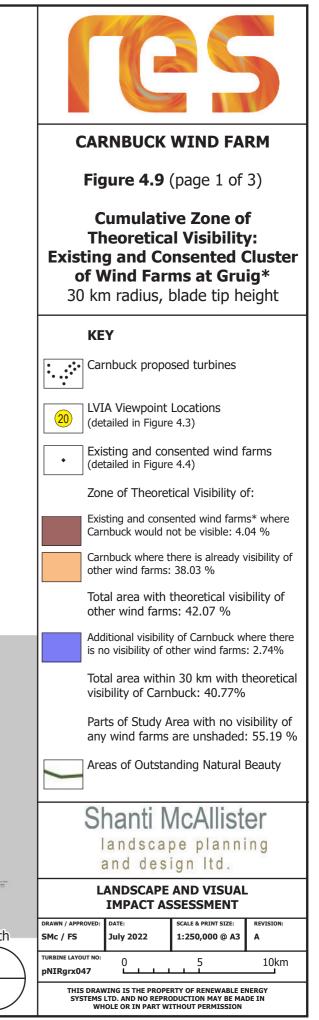


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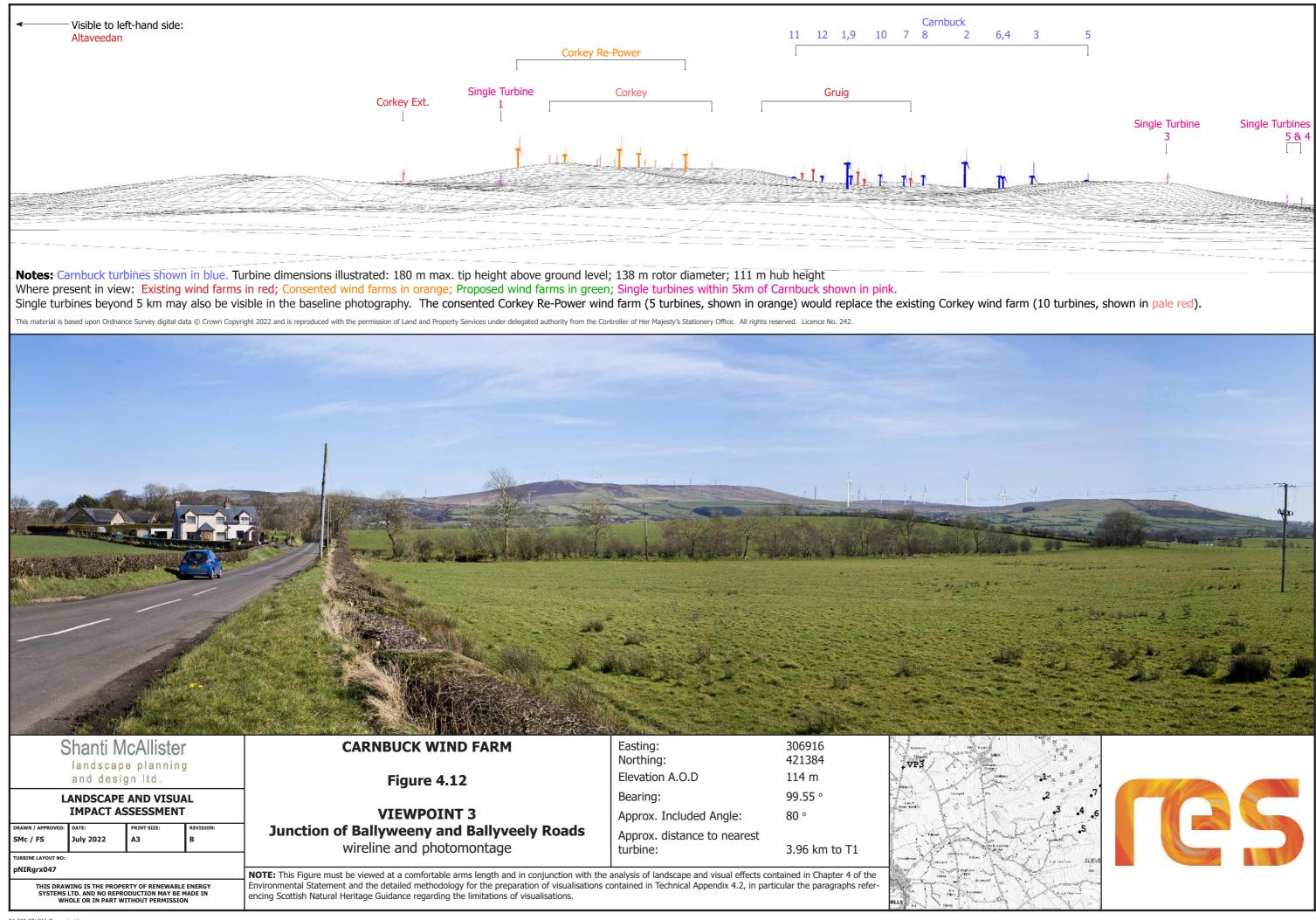
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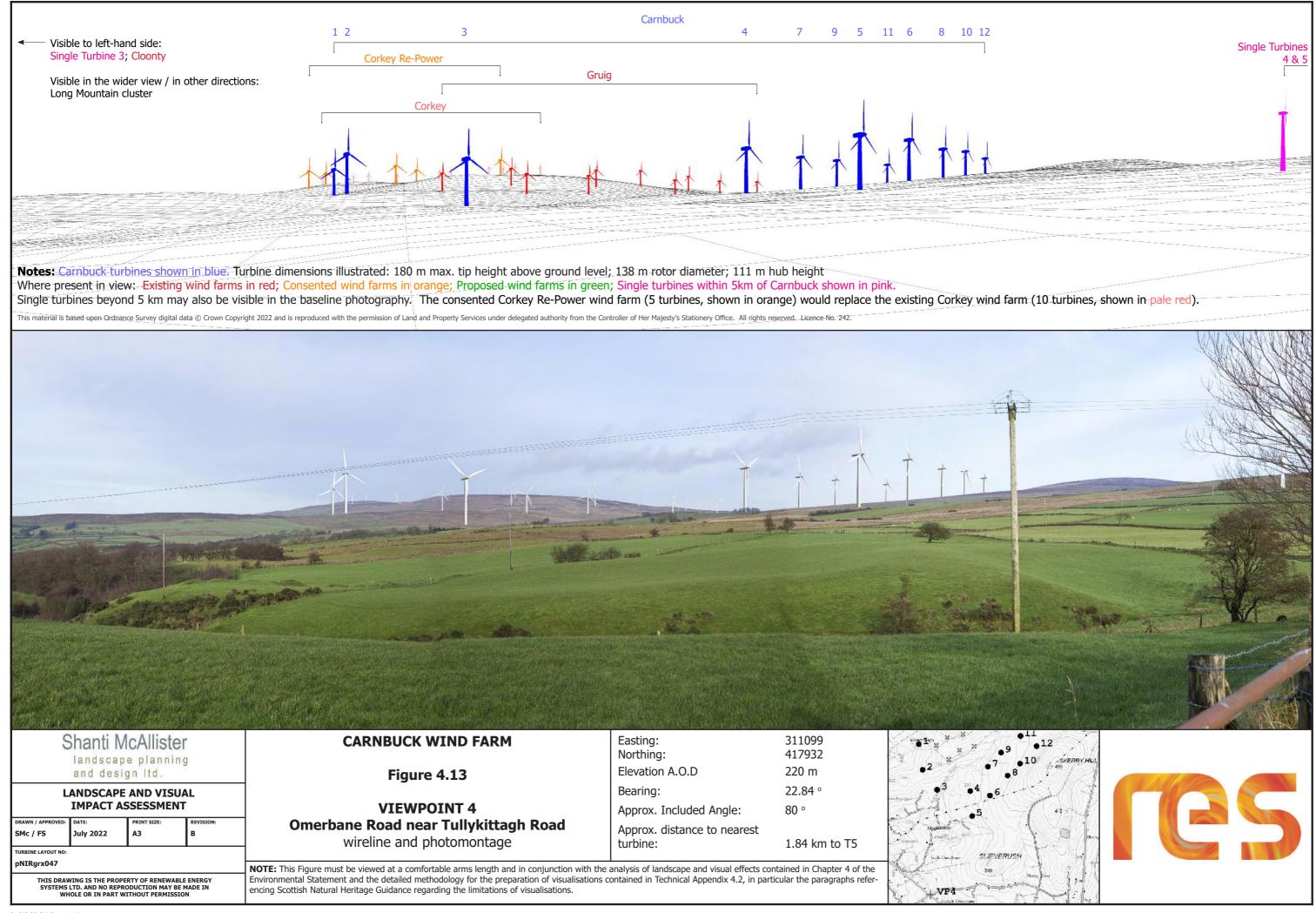
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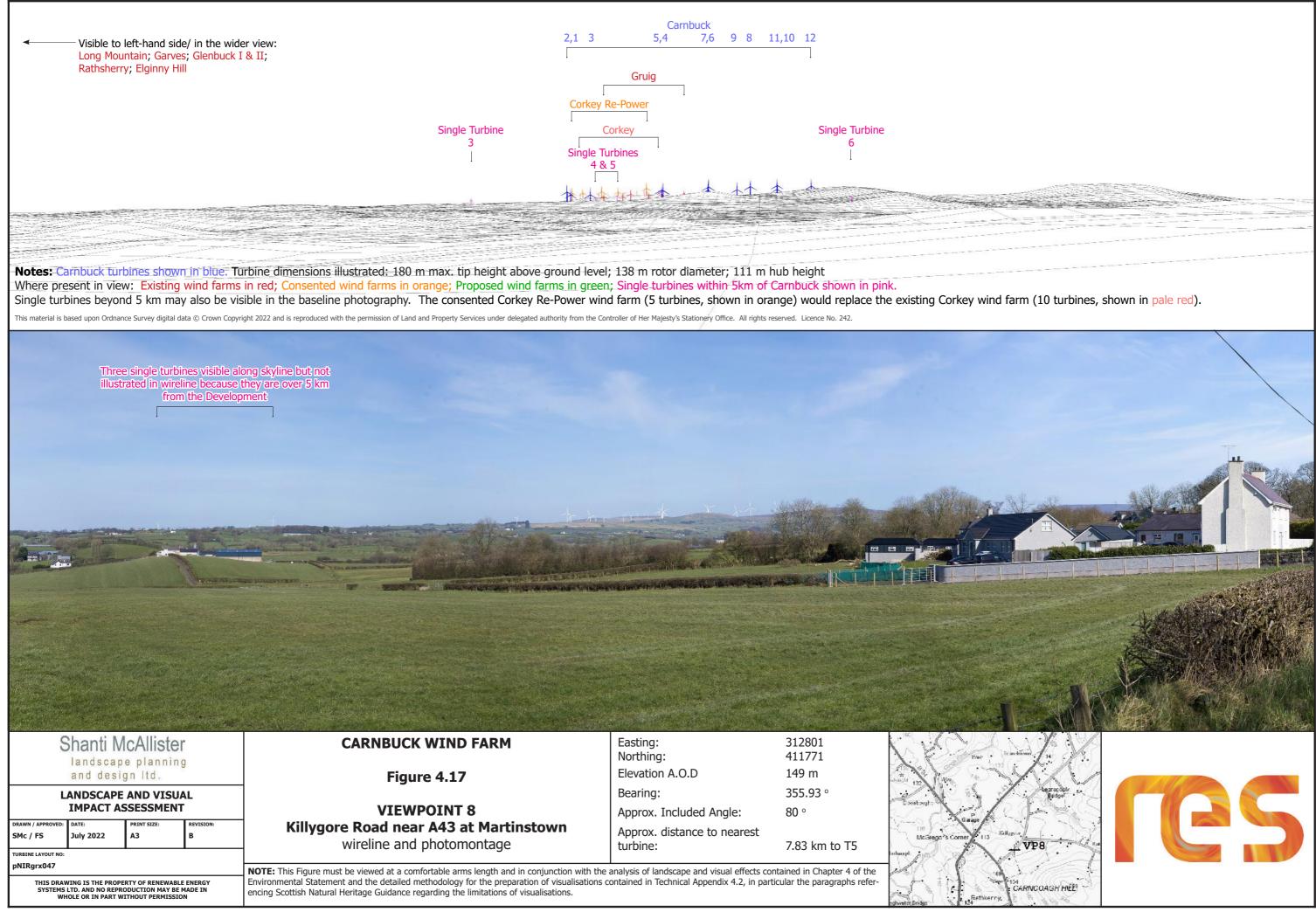


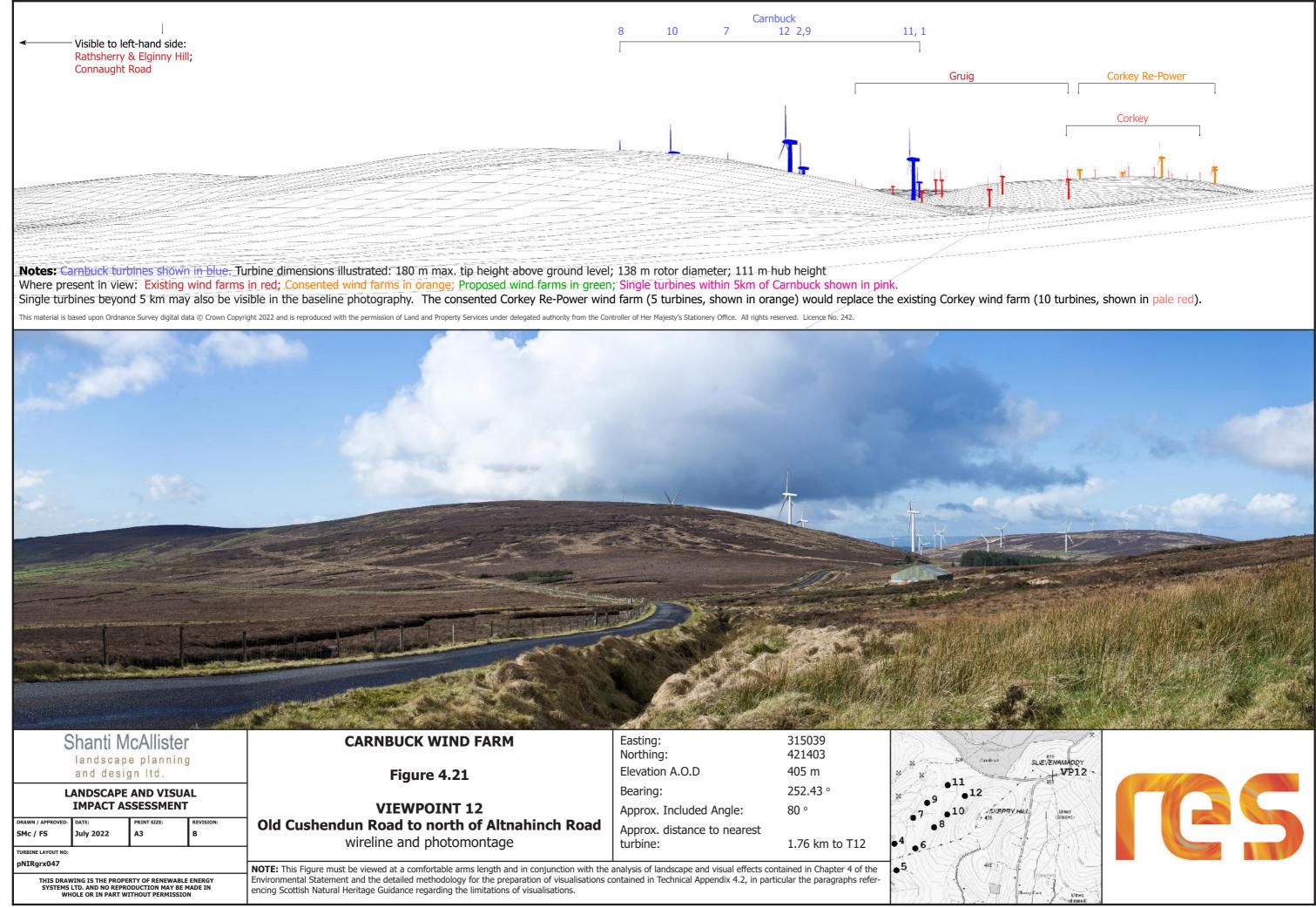






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HOW LOUD IS WIND FARM NOISE?

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Gruig Wind Farm, County Antrim, Northern Ireland | Photo: RES / For illustrative purposes only

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YOUR VIEWS COUNT

We believe in meaningful and effective consultation

The aims of our consultation process are to:

- » Engage with the local community to facilitate a constructive consultation process to help identify and understand concerns.
- » Assist the local community in understanding the benefits and impacts of the proposed wind farm.
- » Add value and improve the quality of our proposal through meaningful and productive consultation.

The first stage in the consultation process is to submit a Proposal of Application Notice (PAN) to the Local Planning Authority which sets out how we will consult with the local community over our plans. Before we submit a planning application we will create a Pre-Application Community Consultation (PACC) Report, that documents the community engagement process and any steps we have taken to adapt our proposal.

At this stage we are inviting the local community to submit comments directly to RES. Once an application is submitted there will be the opportunity to submit representations to the Local Planning Authority. Listening to what the local and wider community have to say about our proposals is an integral part of the consultation process and we welcome your comments and suggestions.

We are keen to understand your views on the proposal and the information available at this exhibition. Please take a few minutes to fill out a feedback form with your comments.



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Appendix L: Redacted copies of the comment forms - Second Exhibition



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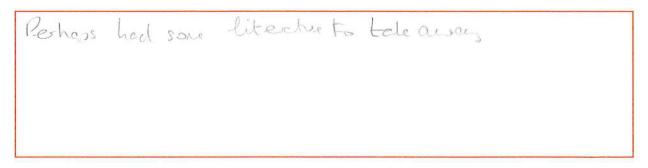
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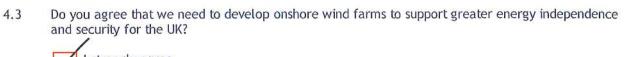
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Appendix M: Images of Website - Second Consultation



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Public Exhibition

We recently held a public exhibition in the local area to share information on the proposal and to enable people to provide us with their feedback. RES staff were on hand to answer any guestions or for more information.

All information provided at the public exhibition is available to view below.

About the Project

RES is currently consulting on its plans for a proposed which farm called Carnbuck located in the townlands of Carnbuck, Magheraboy and Moneyneagh, near Corkey, Co. Antrin, adjacent to the existing Gruig Wind Farm.

Cambuok Wind Farm has been designed to generate reliable, renewable electricity, whilst minimising local impacts and maximising local henefits wherever possible.

The wind farm would be capable of generating around 50 megawatts (ww) of clean, green, low-cost renewable electricity. Equivalent to the electricity usage of around 55,000¹ homos each year.



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Design Layout and Infrastructure

The wind farm proposal is for 12 turbines up to 180m in height.

The proposed wind farm would share a site entrance and some infrastructure with Gruig Wind Farm, reducing the environmental footprint and traffic movements.

The layout has been developed in response to feedback from stakeholders and the community along with the results of numerous environmental surveys that have been undertaken.

In addition to high-level necessities such as good windspeeds, we have considered a number of site-specific features and buffers. These include turbines being located more than 1km from nearest properties, 50m from major watercourses and 10m from minor watercourses, and avoidance of areas of ecological interest and prominent hilltops.



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What Would the Wind Farm Look Like?

We have produced indicative visualisations to help give an impression of what the wind farm could look like from different viewpoints in the area. Click on the links below to view.

Corkey Village at Reservoir Road junction

Corkey Village at Ballyweeny Road junction

Junction of Ballyweeny and Ballyveely Roads

Omerbane Road near Tullykittagh Road

Skerry West at Omerbane Road junction

Dunloy Village

Killygore Road near A43 at Martinstown

Old Cushendun Road to north of Altnahinch Road



We have also produced indicative Zone of Theoretical Visibility (ZTV) Maps showing where the turbines could be visible from. Please note that this is based on bare land form without taking into account any screening effects of trees and buildings.

ZTV, 15km radius, blade tip height

ZTV, 15km radius, hub height

Cumulative ZTV, 30km radius

Traffic and Transport

Access is one of the key considerations when selecting a potential wind farm site, particularly with regard to the turbine deliveries.

The preferred access point and turbine delivery route are shown on the map to the right.

A transport assessment will be undertaken as part of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process and, if the wind farm is given consent, a detailed Traffic Management Plan will be agreed with the highways authorities and the police, and in consultation with the local community.

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Supply Chain Opportunities

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Why Wind?

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

Tackling Climate Change by supporting Northern Ireland's Climate Bill, which has a target of 80% of electricity consumption from renewables sources by 2030.

Can be quick to deploy.

Onshore wind, alongside largescale solar and offshore wind are now the cheapest forms of new electricity generation 2 .

Enables us to generate our own electricity reducing reliance on imports and improving security of supply.

Northern Ireland consumers avoided paying £500 million to import gas last year because wind farms provided nearly 42% of our electricity³.



Bunnyconnellen Wind Farm, Co. Mayo. For illustrative purposes only.

Why Wind?

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

Tackling Climate Change by supporting Northern Ireland's Climate Bill, which has a target of 80% of electricity consumption from renewables sources by 2030.

Can be quick to deploy.

Onshore wind, alongside largescale solar and offshore wind are now the cheapest forms of new electricity generation 2 .

Enables us to generate our own electricity reducing reliance on imports and improving security of supply.

Northern Ireland consumers avoided paying £500 million to import gas last year because wind farms provided nearly 42% of our electricity³.



Bunnyconnellen Wind Farm, Co. Mayo. For illustrative purposes only.

RES in Northern Ireland

RES has been playing a pivotal role in providing Northern Ireland with renewable energy since the early 1990s.

Working together with businesses based in Northern Ireland our projects contribute to the local economy and utilise our home-grown energy sources.

With the urgent need to escalate decarbonisation, RES remains committed to being part of Northern Ireland's energy future and business growth, through maximising contributions from renewable energy.



Brackagh Wind Farm, Draperstown. For illustrative purposes only.

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Commenting on the Proposal

The public exhibition initiates a consultation period being run by RES to gather comments on the proposal. The closing date for comments is 9th February 2023 at 5pm.

Comments on the proposal should be provided in writing, click here to download a comment form which can be returned by email or by post to RES, Willowbank Business Park, Alilbrook, Lame, County Antrim, BT40 285.

Please note that comments submitted to RES at the Online Public Exhibition are not representations to the determining authority (Strategic Planning Directorate Department for infrastructure). There will be an opportunity to submit representations to the determining authority should a planning application be submitted.

1 The homes Figure has been calculated by taring the predicted annual electricity generation of the site (based on RES assessments Comback has a predicted capacity factor of -85,75%) and dividing this by the annual average electricity figures from the Uppertment of Buraness, energy and Industrial Strategy (iBES) shawing that for nanual LIK overage domestic household caroumphan is 3,748 kWh (Dec 2021).

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3 https://renewableni.com/wind-saves-ni-500m-in-2022

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