

Pre-Application Community Consultation (PACC) Report

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1.0 Introduction

This Report constitutes a Pre-Application Community Consultation (“PACC”) Report as required by Regulation 27 of the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) Act 2011 (“the Planning Act 2011”) and Regulation 5 of the Planning (Development Management) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 (“the Development Management Regulations”). The Report describes the consultation requirements for the Owenreagh/Craignagapple Wind Farm (“the Development”), the consultation and engagement measures undertaken by the applicant Ørsted, the feedback received and any resultant amendments or modifications to the Development.

2.0 Consultation Legislation & Guidance

The Planning Act 2011 introduced new requirements for public engagement and transparency in the planning system. Section 27 'Pre-application Community Consultation' outlines the requirements for pre-application consultation for 'major developments' as defined by the Development Management Regulations. A prospective applicant must hold at least one public event in the locality in which the proposed development is situated, where members of the public may make comments regarding the proposed development. Details of the public event must be advertised in a public notice in a newspaper in the locality. Regulation 5 of the Development Management Regulations provides further detail on the pre-application community consultation process.

As a result of the COVID-19 public health measures discouraging public events, the Department for Infrastructure (DfI) put in place legislation (**The Planning (Development Management) (Temporary Modifications) (Coronavirus) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020**) to temporarily suspend the requirement for a PACC public event in respect of applications for major development, although there is “*an expectation that prospective applicants will replace the PACC public event with alternative consultation measures.*” This ensured that the planning system continued to function, and planning applications continued to be submitted and assessed during the Covid-19 pandemic period. These temporary arrangements ceased on 31st March 2022.

The Strategic Planning Policy Statement (“SPPS”) recognises that a key element of the enhanced arrangements for community engagement is ensuring that community views are reflected at the earliest stage of the design and development process

Table 2.1: Pre-Application Community Consultation Legislative Requirements

PACC Requirements	Legislative Context	Steps Undertaken by Ørsted
Proposal of Application Notice (PAN)	<p>Section 27 of the Planning Act 2011 states the following</p> <p><i>“2) The prospective applicant must give notice (to be known as a “proposal of application notice”) to the appropriate council that an application for planning permission for the development is to be submitted.”</i></p> <p><i>“(3) A period of at least 12 weeks must elapse between giving the notice and submitting any such application.”</i></p>	<p>A Proposal of Application Notice (PAN) was compiled by JUNO Planning and was submitted to DfI Planning on 18th June 2021. A copy of the PAN Submission is attached as Appendix 1.</p> <p>The PAN submission was validated by DfI Planning and allocated reference number LA11/2021/0677/PAN.</p> <p>DfI Planning advised that local tourism bodies within 5km of the development and a number of a listed number of organisations should be consulted on the public events and/or provided with project information leaflets. Further details on these consultations are provided in section 3.3.7 of this report.</p> <p>The planning application to which this Report related was submitted in August 2023, more</p>

		than the statutory required 12 weeks from the PAN submission to the planning application submission.
Pre-Application Community Consultation (PACC)	<i>An account of what consultation the prospective applicant proposes to undertake, when such consultation is to take place, with whom and what form it will take.</i>	<p>Copies of the PAN 1 Form were sent to the: (Planning Ref No. LA11/2021/0677/PAN.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Derry City & Strabane District Council (“DC&SDC”) councillors from the Sperrin District Electoral Area including Cllr Jason Barr, Cllr Raymond Barr, Alderman Alan Bresland, Alderman Maurice Devenney, Cllr Paul Gallagher, Cllr Dan Kelly - West Tyrone MLAs for the area including Nicola Brogan, Thomas Buchanan, Declan McAleer, Daniel McCrossan, Maoliosa McHugh - West Tyrone MP, Ms.Orflaith Begley. <p><u>Stage 1 Public Consultations</u></p> <p>The Stage 1 Public Consultation events were held on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 24th November 2021 at the Fir Trees Hotel, Strabane; Co.Tyrone; and • Thursday 25th November 2021 at the Owen Roe O’Neills, GAC Club Rooms, Glenmornan, Co.Tyrone. <p>To address public concerns regarding the Covid 19 pandemic, as part of the Stage 1 Consultation phase project information was available for viewing within an online virtual room facilitated through the online platform-Innovision. The virtual room contained project information, videos, access to the project leaflets and a project feedback form. The online virtual exhibition contained the same project information as that provided at the public information event. Web address details were as follows: - www.innovision.ie/craignagapple The public consultation material was available online between 22nd November 2021 to 31st January 2022.</p> <p>In advance of the Stage 1 consultation events, a range of consultations were undertaken, including: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Project Information Leaflets were delivered to properties within 3km¹ of the application site – Project Information Leaflet No. 1 was

¹ The 3km buffer was selected to ensure that residential properties within the settlement of Glenmornan, and residential properties within the areas where the wind turbines may be theoretically most visible

		<p>delivered week commencing 6th September 2021. A copy of the project flyer advertising the consultation event was delivered week commencing 25th October 2021, and Project Leaflet No. 2 was delivered week commencing 8th November 2021. A copy of the Stage 1 Consultation Project Information Leaflets (Leaflets No.1 and No.2) and project invite flyers are included in Appendix 2 of this document.</p> <p>- Public notices in two local newspapers (Strabane Weekly News – 10th November 2021, & Strabane Chronicle – 18th November 2021).</p> <p>- Social media posts on local community pages on 16th November 2021 (Owen Roes GAC & Glenmornan Community Association).</p> <p>- Posters advertising the Consultation events and the Innovision project page were placed in nearby villages, settlements and parishes during week commencing 8th November 2021 (Strabane, Donemana, Glenmornan, Artigarvan, Ballymagorry, Plumbridge, Donagheady). A copy of the poster & poster locations is included in Appendix 2 of this report.</p> <p>- Elected representatives, including DC&SDC Sperrin District Electoral Area (DEA) Councillors², the West Tyrone MLAs³ and MP⁴ were issued an invite to the Stage 1 consultation event. Invites to the Stage 1 consultation event were also issued to the DC&SDC CEO and Chief Planner.</p> <p>Stage 2 Public Consultations</p> <p>The Stage 2 Public Consultation Events were held on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuesday 29th November 2022 at the Rouse’s Farm, 35 Koram Rd, BT82 0EZ. • Wednesday 30th November 2022 at the Fir Trees Hotel, Strabane; Co.Tyrone; and • Thursday 1st December 2022 at the Owen Roe O’Neills, GAC Club Rooms, Glenmornan, Co.Tyrone.
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² Councillor Dan Kelly, Councillor Jason Barr, Councillor Raymond Barr, Councillor Michaela Boyle, Alderman Allan Bresland, Alderman Maurice Devenney, Councillor Paul Gallagher

³ Daniel McCrossan MLA , Maolíosa McHugh MLA , Nicola Brogan MLA , Thomas Buchanan MLA, Declan McAleer MLA

⁴ Órfhlaith Begley MP

		<p>Similar to the Stage 1 Consultations, project information was available for viewing within an online virtual room facilitated through the online platform- Innovision. As before, the virtual room contained project information, videos, access to the project leaflets and a project feedback form. The online virtual exhibition contained the same project information as that provided at the public information event. Web address details were as follows: - www.innovision.ie/craignagapple</p> <p>The public consultation material was available online between 25th November 2022 to 28th February 2023.</p> <p>The project CLO delivered project flyers and invites advertising the consultations events on 30th November 2022 and 1st December 2022 to properties located within a 3km radius of the site during the time period from 14th to 18th November 2022. Project Information Leaflet No. 3 was also delivered by the project CLO at this juncture.</p> <p>A separate project flyer advertising the 29th November consultation event in Rouse's Barn was delivered to properties in the Legforddrum area (39 no. properties located along Ligford Rd, Koram Rd, Knockiniller Rd, Ballykeery Rd, Blackburn Rd). The project CLO delivered this project flyer & invite during the time period from 14th to 18th November. There was a typo on the project invite regarding the date of the consultation. Consequently, on 22nd November, the CLO delivered a letter clarifying the date of the consultation.</p> <p>A copy of Project Information Leaflet No.3, and project invite flyers for the Stage 2 Consultation Events are included in Appendix 3 of this document.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Public notices in two local newspapers advertising the consultation events at the Fir Trees Hotel and Owen Roe O'Neills, GAC Club Rooms (Strabane Weekly News –23rd November 2022, & Strabane Chronicle – 24th November 2022). - Social media posts on local community Facebook pages (Owen Roe O'Neill GAC on 21st Nov 2022 & Glenmornan Community Association on 18th Nov 2022). - Posters advertising the Consultation events and the Innovision project page were placed in nearby villages, settlements and parishes during the time period 14th- 18th November 2022 (Strabane, Donemana, Glenmornan,
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		<p>Artigarvan, Ballymagorry, Plumbridge, Donagheady).</p> <p>A copy of the poster and poster locations are included in Appendix 3 of this report.</p> <p>Elected representatives, including DC&SDC Sperrin District Electoral Area (DEA) Councillors⁵, the West Tyrone MLAs⁶ and MP⁷ were issued an invite to the Stage 2 consultation event. Invites to the Stage 2 consultation event were also issued to the DC&SDC CEO and Chief Planner.</p>
Public Event	<p><i>(2) The prospective applicant must— (a) hold at least one public event in the locality in which the proposed development is situated where members of the public may make comments to the prospective applicant as regards the proposed development; and</i></p>	<p>As noted above, Ørsted undertook public consultation in across two stages and hosted a total of 5 no. public consultation events. Ørsted has met and exceeded the statutory requirements for undertaking pre-application community consultation.</p> <p>As part of the Stage 2 consultations, Ørsted hosted a dedicated consultation event in a local landowners' farm premises (Rouses barn), to ensure that local residents could access project information in their immediate environs.</p>
Newspaper Advertisement	<p><i>b) publish in a newspaper circulating in the locality in which the proposed development is situated a notice containing—</i></p> <p><i>(i) a description of, and the location of, the proposed development,</i></p> <p><i>(ii) details as to where further information may be obtained concerning the proposed development,</i></p> <p><i>(iii) the date, time and place of the public event,</i></p> <p><i>(iv) a statement explaining how, and by when, persons wishing to make comments to the prospective applicant relating to the proposal may do so, and</i></p> <p><i>(v) a statement that comments made to the prospective applicant are not representations to the council or as the case may be the Department and if the prospective applicant submits an application there</i></p>	<p>The Stage 1 Consultation Events were advertised via public notices in two local newspapers, namely the Strabane Weekly News on 10th November 2021, & Strabane Chronicle on 18th November 2021.</p> <p>The Stage 2 Consultation Events were advertised via public notices in two local newspapers, namely the Strabane Weekly News on 23rd November 2022, & Strabane Chronicle on 24th November 2022.</p> <p>Copies of the Public Notices for the Stage 1 and Stage 2 consultation events are included as Appendix 4 of the report.</p>

⁵ Councillor Dan Kelly, Councillor Jason Barr, Councillor Raymond Barr, Councillor Michaela Boyle, Alderman Allan Bresland, Alderman Maurice Devenney, Councillor Paul Gallagher

⁶ Daniel McCrossan MLA, Maoliosa McHugh MLA, Nicola Brogan MLA, Thomas Buchanan MLA, Declan McAleer MLA

⁷ Órfhlaith Begley MP

	<i>will be an opportunity to make representations on that application to the council or as the case may be the Department at a later stage</i>	
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This report confirms that each of the proposed requirements listed in Table 2.1 have been complied with and outlines the formal PACC process. Section 3.0 describes the public consultation undertaken noting that it contained two distinct stages. Section 4.0 summarises the feedback received during the two stages of the PACC process. Section 5.0 responds to the comments raised.

The Report is structured to follow the sub-headings listed in section 7.3 of 'Development Management Practice Note No.10- Pre-Application Community Consultation (and Pre-Application Discussions).'⁸

⁸ *Development Management Practice Note No.10- Pre-Application Community Consultation (and Pre-Application Discussions) DoE April 2015. Accessible at https://www.infrastructure-ni.gov.uk/sites/default/files/publications/infrastructure/dmpn-10-pre-application-community-consultation-v1-april-2015_0.pdf*

3.0 Consultation Undertaken

3.1 Consultation Methods

3.1.1 Public Consultation Events- Stages 1 & 2

Public consultation events were held over two distinct stages prior to the submission of the planning application, in November 2021 and November/ early December 2022. As Ørsted currently operate the existing Owenreagh I & II wind farms, they are committed to working with the local community. During the PACC they engaged with local stakeholders and invited responses which fed into the development and design process.

The consultation events, comprised a display of the Development proposals and plans including key environmental and planning process information. The project information was provided on Project Information Boards/ Banners. Event attendees were invited to review the project information and to consult with the project team members with any project related queries. Details on the public consultation materials and information board contents are provided at Sections 3.3 and are illustrated in the referenced Appendices.

3.1.2 Virtual Public Exhibition 'Innovision'

To address public concerns regarding the Covid 19 pandemic, as part of the Stage 1 & 2 Consultation stages, project information was available for viewing within an online virtual public exhibition room facilitated through the online platform- Innovision. The virtual room contained project information, videos, access to the project leaflets and a project feedback form. The online virtual exhibition contained the same project information as that provided at the public information event. Web address details were as follows: - www.innovision.ie/craignagapple. Further details on the virtual public consultation is provided at Section 4.1.2 and 4.1.3.

3.1.3 Project Information Leaflets

Ørsted issued three public information leaflets to properties located within 3km of the Development site during the PACC process. The public information leaflets were issued in September 2021, November 2021 and November 2022. The purpose of the information leaflets was to update the local community on the Development, the project team and the ongoing PACC process. Copies of the public information leaflets are included in Appendix 2 (leaflets no.1 and no.2) and Appendix 3 (leaflet no.3).

Figure No.1: Owenreagh/ Craignagapple Wind Farm Project Information Leaflet No.2



Source: Ørsted

3.1.4 Project Website and Email Address

The project website (<http://www.craignagapplewindfarm.com/>) is updated to provide local stakeholders with information on the current stage of the project, in addition to outlining consultation opportunities. The project email address (info@craignagapplewindfarm.com) has been used to answer queries and assist in organising the public consultation event.

3.1.5 Project Community Liaison Officers (CLOs)

Ørsted has engaged two project CLOs, who throughout the PACC process were responsible for dealing with queries from the local community. The CLOs were involved in the two stages of the consultation, during which they distributed project leaflets, provided posters in the local villages promoting the Stage 1 and Stage 2 consultation events, and were available to provide additional project details upon request. The CLOs continue to deal with queries from the local community and liaise directly with Ørsted and the project team.

3.2 Details of any Community or Residents Steering Group(s) Established

At the time of the PAN submission no community or steering groups were set up or identified with a specific interest in the Development. No community groups or steering groups were formed during the PACC project stage, and to date no community or steering groups have been formed. As noted previously, the project CLOs were responsible for dealing with queries from the local community, including community groups and associations.

Owen Roe O'Neill GAC and the Glenmornan Community Association actively promoted the public consultation events hosted during the PACC process, via their social media platforms.

Figure No.2 & No.3: Owen Roe O'Neill GAC & Glenmornan Community Association Facebook Posts Promoting Stage 2 Public Consultation Events



Source: Excerpts from Owen Roe O'Neill GAC & Glenmornan Community Association Facebook Posts

3.3 What Consultation was Undertaken, when and with whom; Dates, venues and numbers attended for all consultation events and meetings.

3.3.1 Stage 1- Public Consultation Events

As previously referenced, there were two distinct public consultation stages as part of the PACC. The Stage 1 public consultation events were held on 24th November 2021 (Fir Trees Hotel, Strabane) and 25th November 2021 (Owen Roe O'Neills GAC Club Rooms, Glenmornan). In line with COVID-19 public health guidance, the consultation event operated through a booking slot system. The event was

attended by representatives from Ørsted, Open Strategic Communications, JUNO Planning and the project CLOs.

The Stage 1 consultation events were advertised in two local newspapers (Strabane Weekly News – 10th November 2021, and Strabane Chronicle – 18th November 2021). Copies of the Public Notices are included within Appendix 4 of this Report. A project flyer advertising the consultation event was delivered week commencing 25th October 2021 to all properties located within a 3km radius of the Development. A number of posters advertising the events were placed in nearby villages, settlements and parishes during week commencing 8th November 2021 (Strabane, Donemana, Glenmornan, Artigarvan, Ballymagorry, Plumbridge, Donagheady).

The 12 no project information boards, including the 'Welcome Board' provided information on the following topic areas:

- Introduction to Ørsted & the Development;
- Proposed Site Layout and Location;
- Benefits for the Local Community;
- Environmental Impact Assessment (overview of process);
- Noise and Shadow Flicker;
- Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment;
- Ecology and Peat;
- Archaeology & Cultural Heritage
- Project Programme;
- Planning Application Process.

Plate 1: Stage 1 Project Information Boards No.1- No.8 (24th Nov at Fir Trees Hotel)



Source: JUNO Planning

The topics for the project information boards were selected having regard to the anticipated interest from the public and the project information available for consultation at this juncture. The project team was able to answer queries and concerns from the event attendees. Copies of the information boards are provided at Appendix 5 of this Report.

10 no. people attended the consultation event at the Fir Trees Hotel on 24th November 2021. Seven people attended the consultation event at Owen Roes O'Neills GAC Club rooms on 25th November 2021. In total, 17 no. stakeholders attended the consultation event(s).

3.3.2 Stage 1- Innovision Virtual Public Exhibition

The online virtual project room was open to public viewing during the timeframe of 22nd November 2021 until 31st January 2022. Key statistics on the use of the virtual project room include the following:

- Throughout this period, a total of 52 no. stakeholders joined the virtual room.
- A total of 42% of visitors were from Northern Ireland, with a 56% of those from Co Tyrone.
- 67% of visits occurred between the launch date during the week of the Stage 1 public consultation events (week commencing 22nd November 2021).

3.3.3 Stage 1 Consultations- Project Information Leaflets

Two Project Information Leaflets were delivered to residential properties located within 3km radius of the Development. Project Information Leaflet No. 1 was delivered week commencing 6th September 2021 while Project Leaflet No. 2 was delivered week commencing 8th November 2021. Leaflet No.1 contained information on:

- Ørsted- a company profile;
- An Introduction to the Development;
- The Project Programme;
- An overview of Environmental Studies & Site Layout Design;
- Details of the Community Benefit Fund;
- Details of Community Engagement;
- The planned Community Consultation Events;
- Details of the Project Team including the project community liaison officers.

Leaflet No.2 contained information on:

- Project Benefits for the local community;
- Overview of Climate Change & role of the Development in helping to meet NI climate change obligations;
- Updated details on the Development layout.
- Updates on the Planning Process and Pre-Application discussions with DfI Planning and Statutory Consultee;
- Details on ongoing Private Water Supplies survey;
- Overview of the Environmental Impact Assessment process;
- Updates on the Project Programme.

Copies of the Stage 1 Consultation Project Information Leaflets (No.1 and 2) are included at Appendix 2 of this report.

3.3.4 Stage 2- Public Consultation Events

The Stage 2 public consultation events were held on 30th November 2022 (Fir Trees Hotel, Strabane) and 1st December 2022 (Owen Roe O'Neills GAC Club Rooms, Glenmornan). Having regard to the COVID-19 public health guidance, the consultation event operated through a booking slot system. The events were attended by representatives from Ørsted, Open Strategic Communications, JUNO Planning, the project ecologist, the project landscape & visual amenity consultant and the project CLOs.

The Stage 2 consultation events were advertised in two local newspapers (Strabane Weekly News – 23rd November 2022, & Strabane Chronicle – 24th November 2022). Copies of the Public Notices are included within Appendix 4 of this Report. The project CLO delivered project flyers and invites advertising the consultations events on 30th November 2022 and 1st December 2022 to properties located within a 3km radius of the site during the time period from 14th to 18th November 2022. As per the Stage 1 Consultations, a number of posters advertising the events were placed in nearby villages, settlements and parishes during week from 14th to 18 November (Strabane, Donemana, Glenmornan, Artigarvan, Ballymagorry, Plumbridge, Donagheady).

As part of the Stage 2 consultations, Ørsted hosted a dedicated consultation event in a local landowners' farm premises (Rouses barn on 29th November 2022), to ensure that local residents could access project information in their immediate environs. This event was supplementary to the wider public consultation events, and was tailored to access local residents who would not attend the events at the Fir Trees Hotel or Owen Roes GAC clubrooms. A separate project flyer advertising the 29th November consultation event in Rouse's Barn was delivered to properties in the Legforddrum area. The project CLO delivered this project flyer & invite during the time period from 14th to 18th November. There was a typo on the project invite regarding the date of the consultation. Consequently, on 22nd November, the CLO delivered a letter clarifying the date of the consultation.

Plate 2: Stage 2 Consultation Event at Rouses Barn (29th November 2022)



Source: JUNO Planning

The 12 no the project information boards, including the 'Welcome Board' provided information on the following topic areas:

- Introduction to Ørsted & the Development;
- Climate Change Context;
- Site Location & Layout including design amendments from the Stage 1 Consultations (please note the design amendments are outlined in Table 5.1 entitled '**How comments have been considered in the Development Proposals (Stage 1 & Stage 2 Consultations).**')
- Benefits to the local Community;
- Information on Environmental Impact Assessment;
- Landscape & Visual Impact Assessment (with supporting information on photomontages);
- Noise;
- Ecology & Peat;
- Project Timeline;
- Overview of future planning application process.

The project team members were available to answer queries and concerns from the event attendees. Copies of the information boards are provided at Appendix 5 of this Report. 17 people attended the consultation event at Rouse's barn on 29th November. 6 people attended the consultation event at the

Fir Trees Hotel on 30th November, while 10 people attended the consultation event at Owen Roe O’Neills GAC Club rooms on 1st December 2022. A total number of 33 people attended the Stage 2 Consultant events.

3.3.5 Stage 2- Innovision Virtual Public Exhibition

Similar to the Stage 1 Consultations, project information was available for viewing within an online virtual room facilitated through the online platform- Innovision. The online virtual project room was open to public viewing during the timeframe of 25th November 2022 until 28th February 2023.

Key statistics on the use of the virtual project room include the following:

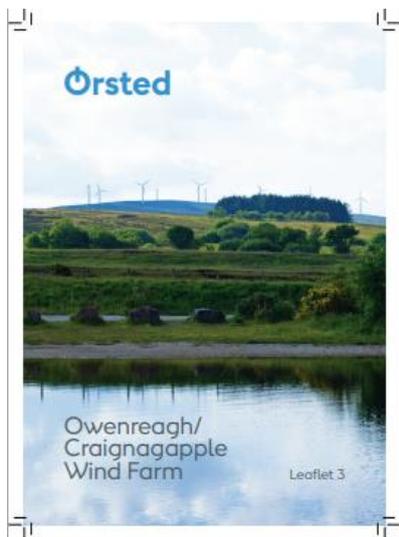
- Throughout this period, a total of 45 no. stakeholders joined the virtual room.
- A total of 56% of visitors were from Northern Ireland, with approximately 33% of those from Co Tyrone.
- 47% of visits occurred between the launch date during the week of the Stage 2 public consultation events (week commencing 25th November 2022).

3.3.6 Stage 2 Consultations- Project Information Leaflet

Between 14th and 18th November 2022, the project CLO delivered Project Information Leaflet No. 3 to residential properties located within a 3km radius from the Development. Leaflet No.3 provided information on:

- Updates on Climate Change legislation and policy;
- Benefits to the local community;
- Development layout and details;
- Wind farm Design Considerations;
- Planning Process & how the public can get involved;
- Project Programme.

Figure No.1: Owenreagh/ Craignagapple Wind Farm Project Information Leaflet No.3



Source: Orsted

3.3.7 Details of how public events were made as accessible as possible to all members of the community

The venues for the Stage 1 and Stage 2 public consultation events in Strabane (Fire Trees Hotel) and Glenmornan (Owen Roe O’Neills GAC club rooms) were chosen due to their proximity to the Development and the availability of car parking, their familiarity to the local communities and local

people and the suitability of the premises to accommodate the public consultation material. A supplementary Stage 2 consultation event was hosted at a local landowner's farm (Rouse's farm) to ensure that the event was accessible as possible to the local community. As previously noted, the consultation events were undertaken during the Covid 19 pandemic. Therefore, all project information presented at the in-person consultation events was made available in a dedicated online 'virtual room' facilitated through the online platform- Innovision. This ensured that the consultation material was accessible to members of the public who did not want to attend the events in person.

At the Stage 1 consultation events, there were 12 no. project information boards that provided key project information and outlined the planning and EIA processes. A copy of the Stage 1 Public Consultation Boards is provided at Appendix 5 of this report. As noted above, representatives from the project team were available to explain the project and answer questions. Attendees were invited to complete a comment card/ questionnaire giving their views.

At the Stage 2 consultation events, there were 12 no. project information boards that again provided key project information, outlined the design, planning and EIA processes, gave an overview of the project programme and provided additional details on the potential landscape and visual amenity considerations. Project photomontages from a range of representative viewpoints were prepared for the consultation events and were shared with event attendees. A copy of the Stage 2 Public Consultation Boards is provided at Appendix 5 of this report. As noted above, representatives from the project team were available to explain the project and answer questions. The project ecologist attended the Stage 2 consultation events to deal with ecology and landscape and visual amenity queries from the public. Attendees were invited to complete a comment card/ questionnaire giving their views.

Elected representatives, including DC&SDC Sperrin District Electoral Area (DEA) Councillor, the West Tyrone MLAs and MP were issued an invite to the Stage 1 and Stage 2 consultation events. Invites to the Stage 1 and Stage 2 consultation events were also issued to the DC&SDC CEO and Chief Planner.

Following the scoping exercise, undertaken with DC&SDC to identify tourism providers within the 5km buffer of the Development, project information leaflets were issued to the following bodies/ organisations.

- Barrontop Farm House Self Catering.
- Beau Vista B&B, 19 Barron Rd, Donemana.
- Ballinasollus Self Catering, 7 Ballynasollus Rd, Plumbridge
- Ballyskeagh Self Catering, 28 Moorlough Rd, Artigarvan, Strabane

Project information leaflets were also issued to:

- Belfast International Airport
- City of Derry Airport
- Ulster Hang Gliding and Paragliding Club
- The Honourable The Irish Society
- Ulster Wildlife

Project information leaflets were also issued to the following local community stakeholders:

- Owen Roe O'Neill's GAC
- St Michaels Primary School, Donemana
- St Joseph's Chapel, Glenmornan
- Bracken Gun club, Blackburn Road
- Donneybow Target Gun Club, Napple Road
- Glenelly GFC, Plumbridge
- Glenelly Development Trust Ltd, Plumbridge
- North Tyrone Ulster Farmers Union
- Mid Tyrone Lamb Producers Group
- Aughabrack and District Community Association

In advance of the Stage 1 and Stage 2 public consultation events, project posters advertising the events were provided in towns and villages located in proximity to the Development, including including Strabane, Donemana, Glenmornan, Artigarvan, Ballymagorry, Plumbridge and Donagheady.

4.0 Comments & Feedback Received

4.1 Stage 1 Consultation

4.1.1 Consultation Events

As stated previously, a total of 17 no. people attended the Stage 1 Consultation events. Feedback forms were offered to all visitors to the event. Five forms were completed by the consultation event attendees, which represents approximately 29% of the event attendees. Table 4.1 details the questions provided in the feedback form/ questionnaire:

Table 4.1: Stage 1 Consultation Event Comment Card/ Questionnaire

Question(s)	Answers
1) Which category do you fall into? (Please note: local is considered to be a resident living or a business operating within approx. 10 kilometres / 6 miles of the project).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Resident • Local Business • A Community Leader • Elected Attendee • Other
2) Were you satisfied with the information provided today?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes (If yes, what did you like?) • No (If no, what could we improve?)
3) How did you find out about this event? Please tick all that apply	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leaflet through my door • Poster displayed in the local area • Newspaper Advert • Social Media • Community Group • Word of Mouth • Project Website • Other (please specify)
4) Are you supportive of the existing Owenreagh I and II Wind farms?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes (If yes, why?) • No (If no, why?) • Unsure (If unsure, what additional information would assist in forming a view)
5) Are you supportive of the proposed new development?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes (If yes, why?) • No (If no, why?) • Unsure (If unsure, what additional information would assist in forming a view)
6) If approved, Owenreagh/Craignagapple Wind Farm will put in place a Community Benefit Fund at a level of £5,000/MW, equivalent to £250k-£360k per year depending on installed MW. Are there any local priorities and projects that you would like to see supported?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes • No

7) Please provide details on the projects you would like to see supported.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide details.
8) Do you have any other comments for us to consider?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide details.
9) If you would like to be kept informed about this project or have requested additional information, please include your name and contact details below.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide contact details.

Table 4.2 below provides an overview of the feedback provided via the comment cards/ questionnaires⁹.

Table 4.2: Overview of Completed Project Feedback Forms/ Questionnaires

Feedback Form Question	Overview of Responses
1) Which category do you fall into? <i>(Please note: local is considered to be a resident living or a business operating within approx. 10 kilometres / 6 miles of the project).</i>	All respondents were local residents (living within 6 miles of the project).
2) Were you satisfied with the information provided today?	80% (4 from the 5) of respondents were satisfied with the information provided at the public consultation event. The respondent who was not satisfied with the information expressed concern regarding confusion on the redline boundary and future development proposals.
3) How did you find out about this event? Please tick all that apply.	80% (4 from 5) of respondents were made aware of the consultation event via the project leaflet drop while the final respondent became aware of the event via word of mouth.
4) Are you supportive of the existing Owenreagh I and II Wind farms?	80% of respondents provided an answer to this question. From the responses provided 20% supported the existing wind farms, 40% were unsure and 20% were not supportive. Those supporting the windfarm cited the fact that they supported renewable energy, while those who did not support the existing wind farms expressed concern regarding the noise output of the wind farms.
5) Are you supportive of the proposed new development?	80% of respondents provided an answer to this question. From the responses provided 20% supported the proposed wind farm, 40% were unsure and 20% were not supportive. Those supporting the windfarm cited their opinion that the new turbines would be less noisy. Those who were 'unsure' noted that they would require more information relating to visual impact (more information on viewpoints) and the environmental impact study. Those who were not supportive cited concerns relating to potential environmental impact and potential residential amenity impacts.
6) If approved, Owenreagh/Craignagapple Wind Farm will put in place a Community Benefit Fund at a level of £5,000/MW, equivalent to £250k-	60% of respondents provided an answer to this question. All respondents noted that there are local priorities and projects that they would like to see supported.

⁹ Copies of the completed questionnaires can be provided upon request.

£360k per year depending on installed MW. Are there any local priorities and projects that you would like to see supported?	
7) Please provide details on the projects you would like to see supported.	<p>The following projects/priorities were detailed as suitable for support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Broadband Support for Local Communities • Glenelly St. Josephs GAA Club- Support for Ground Development & Community Centre • Road Improvement Works • House Insulation Schemes • Moor Lough- Improvement of Pathways • Improving Energy Efficiency of Local Homes, for example Solar Panels • Ecology Improvement Schemes, for example Bog Wildlife/ Habitat Improvement • Funding for Community Defibrillator • Funding for Community Hub in Glenmornan
8) Do you have any other comments for us to consider?	<p>60% of respondents answered this question. The respondent who did not support the new development (Q5) expressed concern that they may have to sell their family home.</p> <p>Another respondent highlighted that environmental impacts should be minimised and local people should continue to have an input into the project.</p> <p>The final response to this question detailed that they would like to see animal/ habitat protection and sustainability of the existing animal and wildlife populations.</p>

In addition to the completed comments cards/ questionnaires, a range of issues were raised by the public consultation event attendees. These are outlined in Table 4.3, which groups the matters discussed provided under topic area.

Table 4.3: Topics Discussed with Event Attendees

Topic	Matters Discussed
Impacts on the Environment	The impact of the development on the environment should be minimised and impacts upon existing wildlife should be avoided. There was concern regarding potential impacts upon existing wildlife and discussion on the species that are no longer common in the local area. There was interest in the surveys and studies being undertaken by the project ecologists.
Noise	There was consensus that the noise from turbines should be controlled and attendees were interested on how they could ensure that noise limits were being met. The project team explained that the wind farm will be designed to ensure noise levels are within the allowed limits and that noise impacts are reduced as far as reasonably practical, in agreement with the Department for Infrastructure and the Derry City & Strabane District Council Environmental Health Office.
Ongoing Consultation with Local Communities	Community consultation should be kept going and people should be given an opportunity to comment further on the new wind farm.

Community Benefit	The community located closest to the Wind Farm should benefit from the 'Community Benefit Fund.'
Impact on house prices	Attendees raised the potential implications of the new wind farm on their house prices, noting that the increase in scale of the new wind farm could affect negatively their house prices.
Projects to Benefit from CBF	There are a range of community projects and initiatives that would benefit from the 'Community Benefit Fund' and local clubs/ organisations need to understand how these funds are accessed.
Impact on Residential Amenity of properties in the area.	There were discussions on whether the Development may impact negatively upon the existing residential amenity of houses in the local area and how this would be assessed in terms of the project ES and planning application.
Opportunities to improve existing wildlife habitats in the local area.	There were discussions with local landowners on how the existing wildlife habitats in area could be improved, to offer opportunities for wildlife habitat that has left the area to return, through habitat mitigation and compensatory management proposals.
Increase in turbine heights from the existing Owenreagh I & II wind farms.	There was discussion on the potential of the increased heights of the proposed turbines and whether they might have an increased impact on the local area. There was discussion on how this would be assessed and considered during the planning application process.

4.1.2 Innovision Virtual Public Exhibition

As noted earlier in this report, the virtual public exhibition contained the same information as the in-person public consultation events, including the comment cards/ questionnaires. There were no online project feedback forms completed. From the information available, in the virtual project room, the following project information areas generated the most interest.

- The Welcome Video: The video introduced the virtual project room and the Development.
- The Photomontage Viewer: Contained information on photomontages on the current preliminary layout from a number of viewpoints.
- 'Introduction Banner': Providing preliminary project information.
- Benefits to the Local Community Banner': Outlined the details of the future Wind Farm 'Community Fund'
- 'Thank You & Contact Us Banner': Provided details on how to contact Ørsted and the project team.

4.2 Stage 2 Consultations

4.2.1 Stage 2 Consultation Events

As stated previously, a total of 33 no. people attended the Stage 2 Consultation events. Feedback forms were offered to all visitors to the event. Eight forms were completed by the consultation event attendees, which represents approximately 24% of the event attendees. Table 4.4 details the questions provided in the feedback form/ questionnaire:

Table 4.4: Stage 2 Consultation Event Comment Card/ Questionnaire

Question(s)	Answers
1) Which category do you fall into? (Please note: local is considered to be a resident living or a business operating within approx. 10 kilometres / 6 miles of the project).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Resident • Local Business • A Community Leader • Elected Attendee • Other
2) Were you satisfied with the information provided today?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes (If yes, what did you like?) • No (If no, what could we improve?)
3) How did you find out about this event? Please tick all that apply	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leaflet through my door • Poster displayed in the local area • Newspaper Advert • Social Media • Community Group • Word of Mouth • Project Website • Other (please specify)
4) Are you supportive of the existing Owenreagh I and II Wind farms?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes (If yes, why?) • No (If no, why?) • Unsure (If unsure, what additional information would assist in forming a view)
5) Are you supportive of the proposed new development?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes (If yes, why?) • No (If no, why?) • Unsure (If unsure, what additional information would assist in forming a view)
6) If approved, Owenreagh/Craignagapple Wind Farm will put in place a Community Benefit Fund at a level of £5,000/MW, equivalent to £250k-£360k per year depending on installed MW. Are there any local priorities and projects that you would like to see supported?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes • No
7) Please provide details on the projects you would like to see supported.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide details.
8) Do you have any other comments for us to consider?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide details.
9) If you would like to be kept informed about this project or have requested additional information, please include your name and contact details below.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide contact details.

Table 4.5 provides an overview of the feedback provided via the comment cards/ questionnaires¹⁰.

¹⁰ Copies of the completed questionnaires can be provided upon request.

Table 4.5: Overview of Completed Project Feedback Forms/ Questionnaires

Feedback Form Question	Overview of Responses
1) Which category do you fall into? <i>(Please note: local is considered to be a resident living or a business operating within approx. 10 kilometres / 6 miles of the project).</i>	Approximately 88% (7 from 8) of respondents identified themselves as a 'local resident' with two also noting that they had a role with local community groups. The final identified themselves within the 'local business' category.
2) Were you satisfied with the information provided today?	<p>Approximately 88% (7 from 8) respondents noted that they were satisfied with the information provided, noting the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Very friendly & informed.</i> • <i>The projected pictures & detailed information re planning requirements & constraints.</i> • <i>Very extensive research done on the site expansion. Good engagement with the community and residents.</i> • <i>I still have concerns but there was a lot of information available.</i> <p>The one respondent who was not satisfied with the information provided noted that <i>"I need more information on where the turbines are in relation to my home and more noise protection"</i>.</p>
3) How did you find out about this event? Please tick all that apply.	<p>The attendees became aware of the consultation events via the follow ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three became aware via leaflet only. • One from a newspaper ad: • One from leaflet, newspaper ad and community group: • One via leaflet and discussions in a local shop: • One via leaflet and word of mouth: • One via leaflet and discussions with the project CLO.
4) Are you supportive of the existing Owenreagh I and II Wind farms?	<p>All respondents provided an answer this question. 62% (5 of 8) of respondents were supportive of the existing wind farms, citing reasons such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renewable Energy & Community Impact Fund: • Wind power is a more environmentally friendly source of power: <p>38% (3 of 8) of respondents were not supportive of the existing wind farms noting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Too many concerns about the effects on residents. Too noisy and disruptive. • Noise/ devalue my home.
5) Are you supportive of the proposed new development?	<p>All respondents provided an answer this question. 62% (5 of 8) of respondents were supportive of the new development citing reasons such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must move with the times;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase capacity is a positive to add power to the network/grid <p>Of the remaining 3 respondents, 2 were not supportive of the new development, noting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Too many concerns about the effects on residents. Too noisy and disruptive (refer to their response on Q4). • Not until all my questions are answered. <p>The remaining respondent was unsure stating that needed more information.</p>
6) If approved, Owenreagh/Craignagapple Wind Farm will put in place a Community Benefit Fund at a level of £5,000/MW, equivalent to £250k-£360k per year depending on installed MW. Are there any local priorities and projects that you would like to see supported?	<p>Approximately 88% (7 of the 8) of respondents answered this question. From those who responded:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One respondent noted that there were no local projects or priorities that they would like to see supported. • One respondent noted that it was too early to say whether there were any local priorities and project they wished to see supported. • 5 respondents noted that there were local priorities/ Projects that they wish to have supported.
7) Please provide details on the projects you would like to see supported.	<p>The following projects/priorities were detailed as suitable for support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support to interested & local community groups such as local GAA clubs: • Clann Na Gaels Park facilities being refurbished. Aghabrack hall and industrial units and expansion. Improvement of rural broadband in the Altishane area. • Support to Train Blaze NI. • Commissioning of local history/environmental projects.
8) Do you have any other comments for us to consider?	<p>Only one respondent provided an answer to this question and noted the following comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noise/ Visual Impact/ Environmental Impact/ Devaluation of property/ health issues.

In addition to the completed comments cards/ questionnaires, a range of issues were raised by the public consultation event attendees. These are outlined in Table 4.3, which groups the matters discussed provided under topic area.

Table 4.6: Topics Discussed with Event Attendees

Topic	Matters Discussed
Residential Amenity & Proximity to turbines	There was significant discussion with event attendees regarding the proximity of the proposed turbines to their own homes. Discussions centred on potential impacts on residential amenity arising from shadow flicker and noise.

Impacts on Bat Population	There were discussions between the project ecologist and attendees on the project bat survey findings, particularly around the areas where there is ongoing bat activity.
Turbine Delivery Route	One particular attendee was interested in the anticipated turbine delivery route and how the turbines would be brought to the site.
Noise	Clarification was sought from attendees regarding the control of noise arising from the windfarm, and how the proposed noise would compare to the existing noise impacts. There was discussion around the ongoing consultations with the DC&SDC Environmental Health Department.
Project Timeframe	There was discussion on the likely project programme including the timeframe for the planning application process.
Questions on the Carbon Footprint of the Development	One attendee was interested on the 'carbon footprint' of the Development and whether it would be carbon neutral or a source of carbon.
Landscape & Visual Amenity Considerations- Review of Photomontages	There was significant interest in the shared photomontages for the project, with attendees identifying the viewpoints closest to their own homes or local areas.
Inconsistency of planning policy in the Area	An attendee outlined their disappointment at the inconsistency of planning policy, between renewable energy projects in the countryside and residential units in the countryside.
Grid Connection	Attendees sought clarification on whether the grid connection location was known/ agreed with NIE or SONI.

4.2.3 Stage 2- Innovision Virtual Public Exhibition

The virtual public exhibition, contained the same information as the in-person public consultation events, including the comment cards/ questionnaires. There were no online project feedback forms completed. From the information available, in the virtual project room, the following project information areas generated the most interest from the virtual attendees:

- The Welcome Video: The video introduced the virtual project room and the Development.
- The Photomontage Viewer: Contained information on photomontages on windfarm layout and design from 21 no. viewpoints.
- 'Introduction Banner'- Provided preliminary project information.

5.0 Response to Comments

5.1 How comments have been considered in the Development proposals.

The project team has considered all comments raised by the two staged public consultation process. Ørsted is the current operator of the existing Owenreagh I & II wind farms and has an established presence in the local community. The Owenreagh/ Craignagapple project has two dedicated CLOs who are available to address queries from the local community on the development proposal. During the pre-application community consultations there was a range of comments from the local community, some of which were design related, while others related to environmental issues and residential amenity considerations. Table 5.1 provides details of how the comments provided during consultation were considered and addressed by the Development proposals, including actions by the project team. It is noted that there were a number of similar comments provided across the two-staged consultation process, in relation to noise and ecology.

Table 5.1: How comments have been considered in the Development Proposals (Stage 1 & Stage 2 Consultations)

Stage 1 Consultations	
Comments	How Addressed?
Impacts on the Environment	<p>The project team undertook detailed environmental studies, on habitats and wildlife, to identify the areas of greatest value for the environment and wildlife. The impact of wind farm layout (turbines and supporting infrastructure) on the receiving environment was carefully considered, and avoided, the areas of highest environmental value. Further details on the wind farm design development (Design Development- Chp 3), and the assessment of potential impacts on habitats on wildlife (Ecology- Chp 10) are provided in the project Environmental Statement, which forms part of this planning application submission.</p> <p>Ørsted arranged for the project ecologist to attend the Stage 2 consultation events to speak with the local community in more detail on the implications of the wind farm on the existing habitat and wildlife.</p>
Noise	<p>The wind farm has been designed to ensure noise levels are within the allowed limits and that noise impacts are reduced as far as reasonably practical. The project team has undertaken a Noise Assessment (Chp 12), as part of the Environmental Statement which is submitted as part of this planning application.</p> <p>If planning permission for the wind farm is approved, there will be clearly defined noise limits detailed in planning conditions. If these limits are breached this can be raised directly with the Council Environmental Health Office who will liaise with Ørsted to investigate the complaint.</p>
Clarification on Red Line Boundary of the Planning Application.	<p>Details of the planning application red line boundary are provided in the submitted planning application drawings, in particular the Site Location Plan. This delineates the area in which development is proposed, as part of the wind farm.</p>
Impact on Residential Amenity of properties in the area.	<p>The project team sought to design out any potential negative impacts upon the residential amenity of existing houses in the local area to ensure that the residential amenity was protected.</p> <p>This approach was informed by noise, shadow flicker, health and safety and landscape and visual amenity considerations. The project team undertook a Noise Assessment (Chp 12), Shadow Flicker Assessment (Chp 15) and Residential Visual Amenity Assessment (Chap 6) as part of the Environmental Statement which is submitted as part of this planning application. These</p>

	assessments reviewed the potential impact of the Development across a range of residential amenity considerations.
Opportunities to improve existing wildlife habitats in the local area.	Ørsted, in association with the project ecologists and wider project team has prepared Habitat & Environmental Management Plan detailing plans to protect and restore important habitats in and surrounding the wind farm, and our measures to enhance biodiversity. This includes measures to create suitable breeding habitats for local bird species and improving peat and blanket bog in and around the wind farm. The Habitat Management & Environmental Management Plan forms part of the Environmental Statement, and is submitted as part of this planning application.
Increase in Turbine Heights from existing Owenreagh I & II wind farms.	<p>Ørsted recognises that the increase in turbine heights will result in the turbines being more visible in the local area. The project team worked closely with the landscape consultant to ensure that the final layout would not dominate the visual amenity of the local area, including the visual amenity of people who live in the area. Landscape and visual amenity considerations informed the design development. Turbine heights were reduced from 180m to 156.5m to address landscape and visual amenity considerations from the local community and statutory consultees.</p> <p>Ørsted arranged for the landscape consultation to attend the Stage 2 consultation events to speak with the local community on matters relating to landscape and the visual impact of the Development. There were photomontages available for 21 no. viewpoints in the local area and wider study area, available for local community to view at the Stage 2 consultation events to provide more detail on the landscape and visual impact of the Development.</p>
Community consultation & collaboration should be continued.	Ørsted, in association with the project team held a second community consultation event and engagement in November/ December 2022. The project Community Liaison Officer was and continues to be available to answer all queries from the local community and to provide continued feedback to Ørsted and the wider project team. There is also a project email address, where the local community can contact the project team if they wish to do so.
Stage 2 Consultation	
Comments	How Addressed?
Residential Amenity & Distance to Residential Properties.	Following the Stage 2 consultation events, Ørsted issued specific information to event attendees, regarding separation distances from their properties to the closest proposed turbines. As noted previously, residential amenity considerations (noise, shadow flicker and landscape & visual amenity) are addressed by the Environmental Statement, submitted as part of the planning application.
Impact on Bat Populations in the Local Area	There was extensive, multi-year bat surveys undertaken at the Site, by the project ecologists. The surveys informed a 'Bat Impact Assessment' which is detailed as part of the Ecology Chapter (Chp 10) of the project Environmental Statement. The behaviour of bats observed during the surveys, both roosting and flight, informed the design and layout of the wind farm. A turbine was omitted from the preliminary layout to negate potential impacts on an identified bat roost.
Turbine Delivery Route	The queries on the turbine delivery route were answered at the Stage 2 consultation event. There was interest on the location of potential passing bays and potential road improvements. Final details on the turbine delivery route are provided in the Traffic & Transport Chapter of the ES (Chp 13).

Questions on the Carbon Footprint of the Development	At the consultation event, the project team were not in a position to provide final details on the carbon footprint of the Development. However, this issue is addressed by the 'Climate & Carbon Emissions' section of the Other Issues Chapter of the ES (Chp 15), which notes ' <i>carbon emission of the whole lifetime of the Development are forecast to be cancelled out within 2.8 years of operation.</i> '
Grid Connection Queries	Ørsted, and the project team, are not yet in a position to provide detailed project information on the final grid connection route. In NI grid connection offers cannot be secured until planning permission has been secured for the windfarm and consequently detailed feasibility studies are not commenced until post approval of the windfarm. An indicative overview of potential grid connection routes, as required by planning policy are provided in Development Description of the ES Chp 3.0.

5.2 Details of any amendments to the proposal as a result of the Consultation

The proposed turbine heights were reduced from 180m to 156.5m to address landscape and visual amenity considerations and feedback provided by the local community during the pre-application community consultation process and from statutory consultees during the PAD process.

5.3 Details of any existing liaison arrangements, agreements with the local community or monitoring that is proposed during the Construction and Operational phases.

As noted previously in this report, there is a project Community Liaison Officer, who performs key liaison role between the local community and Ørsted. It is envisaged that this role will continue during the construction phase of the Development.

6.0 Conclusion

In accordance with the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 and the Planning (Development Management) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 and the temporary legislative provisions of 'The Planning (Development Management) (Temporary Modifications) (Coronavirus) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020', Ørsted has undertaken the required statutory consultation activity and this has been documented and reported in this PACC report.

The PACC Process was focussed around two stages of public consultation held in November 2021 and November and December 2022. During the two stages of consultation Ørsted hosted online and in-person consultation events in an effort to make the events and project information as accessible as possible to the local community. Two project CLOs are available on an ongoing basis to provide further project related information to members of the local community.

Ørsted has reviewed comments and feedback from attendees during consultation. The design and EIA processes have also responded to and taken account of a number of the comments made, particularly with regards to potential impacts on residential amenity including noise impacts, potential impacts on the environment, habitats and wildlife and also landscape and visual amenity considerations.

An explanation of the proposed design principles and concepts that informed the Development design process are also covered within Chapter 4 of the ES and addressed within the 'Design & Access Statement' submitted alongside this PACC Report.

Appendix 1 – Copy of Proposal of Application Notice Submission & DfI Planning Acceptance letter

18th June 2021

Ms. Nola Jamieson,
Strategic Planning Directorate,
Department for Infrastructure,
Clarence Court,
10-18 Adelaide Rd,
Belfast,
BT2 8GB

Dear Nola,

Submission of 'Proposal of Application Notice' ("PAN") in respect of the proposed Owenreagh I Repower and Craignagapple Extension project at the existing operational Owenreagh Windfarm and adjoining area located approximately 6km south-east of Artigarvan, Co.Tyrone.

On behalf of our client Ørsted Onshore Ireland Holdings (formerly Brookfield Renewable Ireland Limited), please find attached a Proposal of Application Notice form ("PAN 1 Form"), submitted as per Section 27 of the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011. The following documents are enclosed as part of the PAN submission.

- Drawing entitled Owenreagh I Repower and Craignagapple Extension Scoping Layout (Site Layout Plan).
- Drawing entitled Owenreagh I Repower and Craignagapple Extension Public Consultation Zone.
- Copy of DfI Planning Section 26 Determination Notice.

We respectfully request that DfI Planning review the enclosed submission and confirm that the PAN and proposed approach to public consultation are acceptable. If you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact JUNO Planning at the contact details provided.

Yours sincerely

Orlaith Kirk

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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 (<http://epicpublic.planningni.gov.uk/publicaccess/>). 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 www.infrastructure-ni.gov.uk/dfi-privacy. 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 the total gross floorspace of the proposed development?

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

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] Regulations [NI] 2015)

No

10. Please give details of proposed consultation

Proposed public event	Venue	Date and Time
Name of publication(s) used:		
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
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?

Yes 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?

Yes No

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

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13. Declaration

Signature:	<i>Orlaith Kirk</i>
Print name:	
Date:	

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 pre-application 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.

PAN Form- Schedule A

Question 4.0: Description of Proposed Development: *Please describe the development to be carried out, outlining its characteristics.*

The Development will comprise:

- Decommissioning of the 9 turbines operational at Owenreagh I Wind Farm and Repowering of the same with fewer, larger turbines (up to 2 no. turbines of up to 180m tip height and rotor diameter of up to 136m);
- Modification of the planning for the granted Craignagapple Wind Farm to increase the tip height from 111m to up to 180m (rotor diameter of up to 136m) and increase the number of turbines from 6 up to 13, by extending the current site to the north, east and west; and
- Associated ancillary infrastructure, including but not limited to the following:
 - Substation compound including control building and other electrical infrastructure
 - New and upgraded access tracks including turning heads
 - Crane hardstands
 - Permanent anemometer mast
 - Borrow Pits(s)
 - Construction compound(s)
 - Cable trenches

Refer to the Site Layout Plan entitled 'Scoping Layout' enclosed as part of this PAN Submission pack.

Question 10: Please give details of proposed consultation

Proposed Public Event	Venue	Date & Time
Pre-Application Community Consultation Event No.1		
<p>Virtual Planning Consultation- Hosted Online Pre-Application Community Consultation Event</p> <p>Details of the public consultation and how to join the online consultation will be provided on the (i) public newspaper notice (ii) Project leaflets/ Consultation Event Invites issued to the dwellings/ businesses located within 3km of the subject site (iii) project website and (iv) event posters in the local area.</p> <p>A consultation period will be held for 2 weeks post the consultation event. Members</p>	<p>The virtual hosting platform has not yet been confirmed however the project team is considering the following options:</p> <p>(i) Zoom platform hosted consultation event providing information on Project, Design and Environmental Impact Assessment process and the Planning Application process.</p> <p>(ii) Virtual Public Exhibition using online platform 'Innovision'- refer to below links for examples of virtual public exhibitions.</p> <p>https://tours.innovision.ie/v/NAp1PgnpqXo</p> <p>https://tours.innovision.ie/v/gd1pyNEEzXJ</p>	<p>11.00am to 3.00 pm and 5.00pm to 8.00pm on Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th August 2021</p>

<p>of the public can obtain more project information via the project website and project email address. Project information can also be obtained from the project Community Liaison Officer (CLO). Assisted by the project CLO the project team will respond to the queries from the public.</p>	<p>The chosen virtual platform will provide the opportunity for questions and answers with the public and attendees.</p>	
<p>Pre-Application Community Consultation Event No.2</p>		
<p>Public Information Day supported by Public Project Exhibition Information</p> <p>Details of the public consultation and how to join the consultation will be provided on the (i) public newspaper notice (ii) event Invites issued to the dwellings/ businesses located within 3km of the subject site (iii) project website and (iv) event posters in the local area.</p> <p>A consultation period will be held for 2 weeks post the consultation event. Members of the public can obtain more project information via the project website and project email address. Project information can also be obtained from the project CLO. Assisted by the project CLO the project team will respond to the queries from the public.</p>	<p>Fir Trees Hotel, Strabane, BT82 9EA</p> <p>To be confirmed- subject to Covid 19 restrictions. ¹</p>	<p>11.00am to 3.00 pm and 5.00pm to 8.00pm on Wednesday 3rd and Thursday 4th November 2021</p>

Question 10: Please specify details of any other consultation methods including distance from site for notifying neighbouring properties (e.g.100m, 200m etc) and methods of notification (please include date, time and with whom)

The PACC events will be advertised via:

- The project website, web address Craignagapplewindfarm.com, will be updated regularly throughout the pre-application community consultation process and will detail the arrangements for the Pre-Application Community Consultation event. The project website address will be

¹ The Planning (Development Management) (Temporary Modifications) (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2021

detailed in the newspaper notices advertised in the Strabane Chronicle and the Strabane Weekly News.

- Project consultation event invites and project information leaflets will be issued to dwellings and businesses within a 3km radius of the site on/before 12th August 2021 for Pre-Application Community Consultation Event No.1. and on/before 21st October 2021 for Pre-Application Community Consultation Event No.2. The 3km consultation buffer is detailed in the submitted drawing entitled 'Owenreagh I Repower and Craignagapple Extension Public Consultation Zone.' The project CLOs will be responsible for the invite and project information leaflet deliver.
- The CLO will place PACC Event Posters in Local Shops & Community Centre in Glenmornan and other proximate villages/ settlements including (i) Artigarvan (ii) Ballymagorry (iii) Donemana (iv) Altishane (v) Aghabrack (vi) Cloghcor (vii) Donagheady. The PACC Event Posters will be placed in local shops and community centres on/before 12th August 2021 for Pre-Application Community Consultation Event No.1. and on/before 21st October 2021 for Pre-Application Community Consultation Event No.2.
- The project CLO will be available to deal with queries from local community stakeholders throughout the pre-application community consultation phase of the project.
- The project email address, info@craignagapplewindfarm.com, will be detailed in the newspaper notices advertised in the Strabane Chronicle and the Strabane Weekly News and the project website. The project email address will deal with ongoing public queries and information requests.

Question 10: Details of any other publicity methods (such as leaflets, posters, etc)

Subject to agreement with Derry City & Strabane District Council ("DC&SDC"), we intend to brief the Council on the project in tandem with the scheduled Pre-Application Community Consultation Events. We anticipate that the briefings will take place weeks commencing 30th August and 9th November 2021 respectively.

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BY EMAIL

Our reference: S26-01-2021

13 May 2021

Dear Ms Kirk

Location: Existing operational Owenreagh Wind Farm (I&II) located on the eastern edge of the Sperrin Mountains on Owenreagh Hill, approximately 6 km south east of Artigarvan village, Co. Tyrone.

Proposal: Repowering of operational Owenreagh I windfarm and the extension of the permitted Craignagapple windfarm.

Applicant: Brookfield Renewable Ireland Ltd.

I refer to your letter dated 29 April 2021 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.

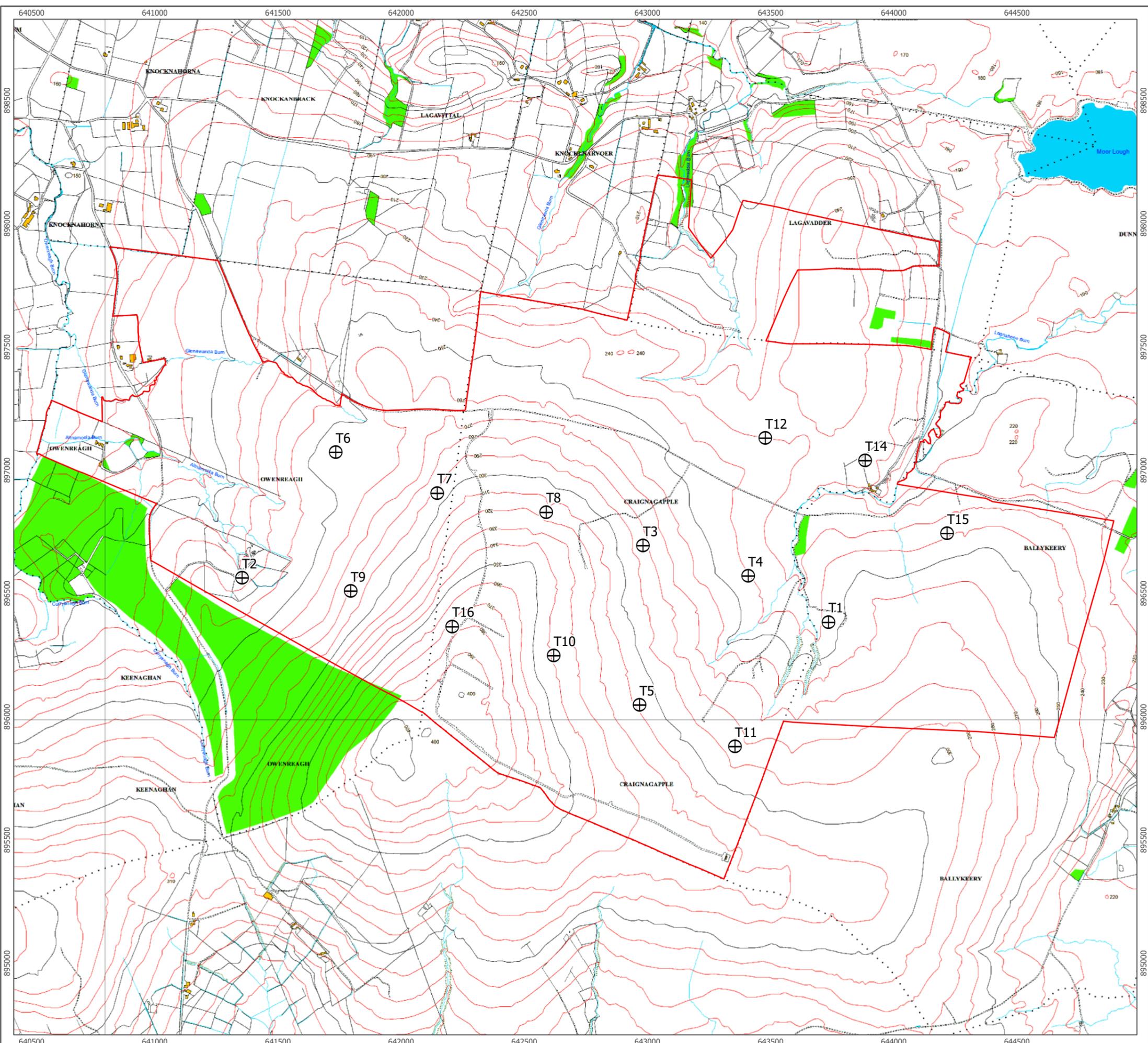
In accordance with Section 26(4) of the above Act, the Department hereby notifies the prospective applicant that the development proposed is development to which Section 26 applies. Any planning application should therefore be made to the Department for Infrastructure.

Yours sincerely

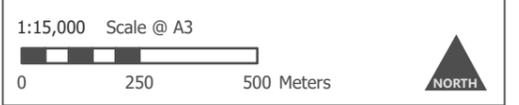
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Nola Jamieson
Principal Planning Officer

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- Site Boundary
- Proposed Tubrine Location

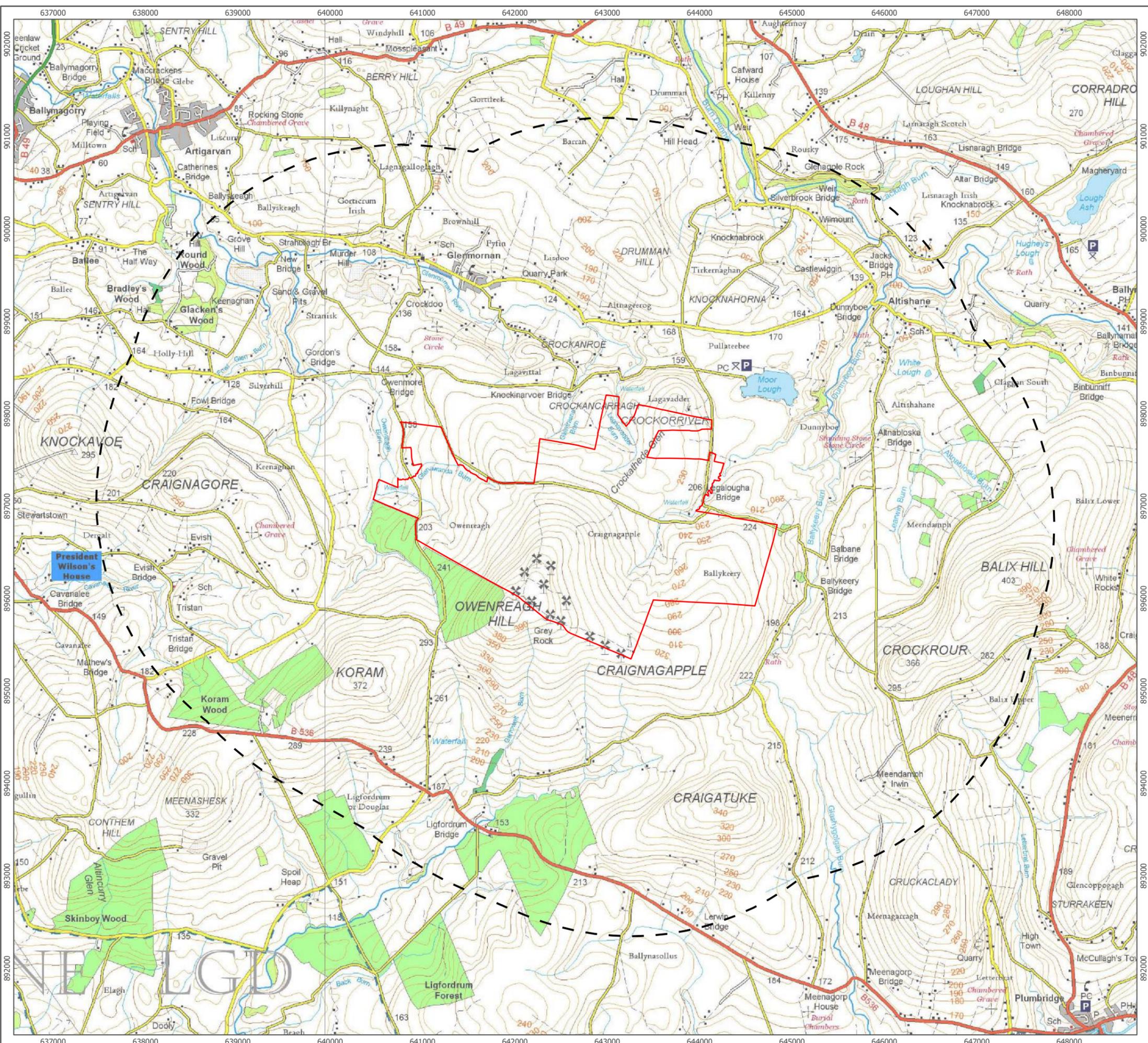


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Scoping Layout

Owenreagh I Repower and Craignagapple Extension

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Site Boundary
3 km Public Consultation Zone

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Public Consultation Zone
Owenreagh I Repower and Craignagapple Extension

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Our Reference: LA11/2021/0677/PAN

08 July 2021

Dear Ms Kirk

Proposal: Decommissioning of the 9 turbines operational at Owenreagh I Wind Farm and repowering of the same with fewer, larger turbines (up to 2 no. turbines of up to 180m tip height and rotor diameter of up to 136m); modification of the planning permission for the granted Craignagapple Wind Farm to increase the tip height from 111m to up to 180m (rotor diameter of up to 136m) and increase the number of turbines from 6 up to 13, by extending the current site to the north, east and west; and associated ancillary infrastructure, including but not limited to substation compound including control building and other electrical infrastructure, new and upgraded access tracks including turning heads, crane hardstands, permanent anemometer mast, borrow pits, construction compound(s) and cable trenches.

Location: Existing operational Owenreagh Wind Farm (I & II) located on the eastern edge of the Sperrin Mountains on Owenreagh Hill, approximately 6km south east of Artigarvan village, Co. Tyrone

I refer to the above Proposal of Application Notice (PAN) which was submitted on 18th June 2021.

The Department has considered the PAN and finds that it contains sufficient information with regards community consultation measures and therefore considers it complies with Section 27 of the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 and the Planning (Development Management) (Temporary Modifications) (Coronavirus) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020 as amended.

However the Department would advise/request that local tourism bodies within 5km of the proposal site and also the bodies listed below are consulted on the forthcoming public events and/or provided with information leaflets accordingly:

Belfast International Airport
Airport Road
Belfast
BT29 4AB

City of Derry Airport
Airport Road
Eglinton
BT47 3GY

Ulster Hang Gliding and Paragliding Club
24 Upper Road
Carrickfergus
Co Antrim
BT38 8RL

The Honourable The Irish Society
54 Castleroe Road
Coleraine
BT51 3RL

Ulster Wildlife
McClelland House
10 Heron Road
Belfast
BT3 9LE

This is of course not a planning decision by the Department and refers only to the compliance with the statutory requirements under Section 27 of the 2011 Act.

The Department will process your information in line with the GDPR requirements. A copy of the full Privacy Statement is available at www.infrastructure-ni.gov.uk/dfi-privacy alternatively you can contact the relevant Data Protection Officer listed and request a copy of the Statement to be posted directly to you.

Should you require any additional information then please do not hesitate to contact this office on the above telephone number.

Yours sincerely

Nola Jamieson

for Strategic Planning Directorate

Appendix 2: Stage 1 Public Consultation Material



Orsted



Owenreagh/
Craignagapple
Wind Farm

Who we are

Ørsted develops, constructs, and operates offshore and onshore wind farms, solar farms, energy storage facilities, and bioenergy plants, and provides energy products to its customers.

Ørsted ranks as **the world's most sustainable energy company** in Corporate Knights' 2021 index of the Global 100 most sustainable corporations in the world and is recognised on the CDP Climate Change A List as a **global leader on climate action**. With headquarters in Denmark, Ørsted employs more than 6,000 people around the world.

In Ireland and Northern Ireland, Ørsted owns and operates a portfolio of onshore wind farms with a combined capacity of more than 300 MW. Our ambition is to increase this by more than 600 MW in the coming decade.

On 09 June 2021, Ørsted completed the acquisition of a 100 % equity interest in Brookfield Renewable's onshore wind business in Ireland and the UK (BRI), including the acquisition of the operational Owenreagh I and II Wind Farms and the consented but as yet unconstructed Craginagapple Wind Farm.

This acquisition marked Ørsted's entry into the European onshore market. Ørsted is continuing the work on this project started by BRI with the aim of creating a viable wind farm which contributes to the local economy and Northern Ireland's climate targets.



Introduction to the development

Ørsted is developing a project to repower the existing Owenreagh I Wind Farm and modify and extend the permitted Craginagapple Wind Farm scheme.

The preliminary layout design process has commenced and environmental studies are ongoing. The design process is iterative with important inputs from environmental studies, engineering studies, planning policy considerations, commercial studies and engagement with local communities and other stakeholders.

Ørsted wishes to engage with the local community throughout the lifetime of this proposed project. We want to advise the community of the key project stages and how they can engage with Ørsted and the project team throughout the project lifetime.

What is repowering?

Repowering a wind farm site involves removing the existing turbines and replacing them with larger modern turbines of greater capacity on the same site. In the case of Owenreagh I, we are planning to replace the current

nine older turbines with two new more energy efficient and taller turbines, in parallel with the redesign of the consented Craginagapple site. Reusing a site means there is no need to develop a new greenfield site, while using modern technology is more reliable and can produce more energy.

Who will be determining the future planning application?

The future wind farm will have a generating capacity of greater than 30 MW and therefore is considered to be regionally significant. Consequently, the Department for Infrastructure (DfI) will be responsible for determining the planning application, in consultation with statutory consultees, when submitted in 2022.



Project programme



Environmental studies and site layout design

Wind farm planning applications must include an Environmental Statement (ES). The aim of an ES is to present a detailed study of how the proposed project may impact on the local area across a series of topics including:

- **Ecology & ornithology (birds)**
- **Landscape & visual assessment**
- **Geology & peat**
- **Archaeology & cultural heritage**
- **Noise**
- **Traffic & transport**

Each topic forms a standalone chapter in the ES and comprises the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). EIA is an iterative process and will identify areas of environmental sensitivity. This will inform the development design dictating where turbines, and associated infrastructure, may be located in order to minimise any environmental effects.

The project team will also undertake an EIA scoping process with DfI Planning and their statutory consultees to agree the best approach to the EIA process

underlying the ES and ensure adherence to legislative requirements. This consultation will contribute to the understanding of the site and provide the project team with advice and guidance on how to develop the design of the wind farm.

The development design will take place in two broad stages: turbine chill and design freeze. Turbine chill is the process of turbine locations being selected and then agreed by each environmental specialist. Following agreement on turbine locations, engineers will design the development's access tracks and associated infrastructure in consultation with environmental professionals to ensure environmental impacts are minimised. Once agreed, the design of the development is then frozen, design freeze, for environmental specialists to undertake their assessment based on the final development design.



Community benefit fund

As long-term owners, developers, and operators of renewable energy assets we seek to be active partners in the communities in which we develop projects.

We believe in giving back to the communities in which we work. In line with funds we have established in Scotland, we intend to offer an annual fund of £5,000 per MW. Depending on the final project design, this means a total fund of £250k-£360k per year which will be shared between community organisations surrounding the development. It will provide financial support to worthwhile initiatives that benefit the local community and local council area, enhance the local economy, and build social infrastructure.

We emphasise support to organisations that engage in:

- **Community services**
- **Educational programmes**
- **Medical & health assistance**
- **Energy efficiency & sustainability**

How will the community benefit fund be distributed?

It is essential for Ørsted that Community Benefit Funds are distributed in an open and transparent manner. We believe that the process should be designed and decided on by the community. We usually engage an independent organisation with experience in managing community funds to assist us with the process from consulting the local community on the design and management of the fund, inviting applications to the fund, recruiting a panel to review applications, to distributing funds to successful projects. If you are interested in becoming involved in this process, please let us know and we will contact you once it begins.

Community engagement

The current Covid-19 pandemic is making face-to-face engagement with the local community very challenging. Under normal circumstances we would talk through the information enclosed in this first project leaflet with all local residents via door-to-door house calls. Unfortunately, this is not currently possible. As a result, we are distributing this leaflet and encouraging you to contact us so we can start a conversation about the project.

We fully acknowledge that not being able to meet face-to-face is by no means ideal and we look forward to the day when we will be able to meet and discuss this proposed project with you. In the meantime, we will continue to make every effort to ensure that we provide you with all the information you need to fully understand the details of the project as the plans progress.



Community consultation events

Ørsted and the wider project team will be holding two separate public consultation events with the community and other stakeholders prior to the submission of the planning application. It is anticipated that the public consultation events will take place in September and November 2021.

All public consultation events will take place fully in accordance with the most up-to-date COVID-19 guidance. If it is not possible to hold in-person events, we will hold a virtual public consultation, and will ensure that everyone has the opportunity and information they need to understand our proposals.

Our public consultation events will set out detailed information on our proposals, including maps, photographs and visuals, and will provide an opportunity for the community and other stakeholders to meet and put questions to our project team.

Each public consultation will be advertised through public notices in local newspapers (The Strabane Chronicle & Strabane Weekly News), updates to the project website and posters advertising the events in local villages and settlements. Project consultation event invites and project information leaflets will be issued to homes and businesses located within a 3 km radius of the wind farm site.

Meet the project team

The project team directly involved in the proposed Owenreagh/Craignagapple Wind Farm project includes a Project Manager from Ørsted and two

Community Liaison Officers as well as a number of specialists in the areas of grid, planning and wind resource.



Olivia Roche

Ørsted's Project Manager for the proposed wind farm development. Olivia has been involved in the renewable energy sector since 2014.



Michael Nicholas

Community Liaison Officer for the proposed wind farm development. Michael is an experienced Communications Manager & lives locally to the project.



Caitlin Daly

Assistant Community Liaison Officer for the proposed wind farm development. Caitlin recently completed a Master's Degree in planning from Ulster University and lives locally.

Contact us

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Email: info@craignagapplewindfarm.com

Post: Craignagapple Wind Farm, Floor 5, City Quarter, Lapps Quay, Cork, Ireland.

For the latest information see:
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Owenreagh/ Craignagapple Wind Farm

Leaflet 2

Introduction

Ørsted is a developer, long-term owner and operator of renewable energy assets. Our vision is a world that runs entirely on green energy. Headquartered in Denmark, Ørsted employs 6,500 people in 14 countries around the world with over 4.7GW of operating wind, solar and storage assets.

Ørsted's onshore Ireland and Northern Ireland portfolio consists of over 332MW of operating wind capacity, including Owenreagh I & II and the consented Craignagapple Wind Farm.

The purpose of this second leaflet is to share the preliminary layout for the proposed wind farm development at

Owenreagh/Craignagapple and to outline the process involved in selecting final turbine locations.

We invite you to give us your feedback on the proposed wind farm, which will be taken into account in the next iteration of the wind farm design. You can do this by contacting the project team. You will find the contact details for our project team at the back of this leaflet. You can also meet us at our first community consultation events which will be held on 24th November in Strabane and 25th November in Glenmornan. More details on this event can be found in the invitation that was delivered last week or on our website. We hope to see you there!

Meet the team



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Benefits to the local community

Wind Farms offer a number of benefits to the local community including community benefit funds, job and contracting opportunities, and habitat conservation and management.

Community benefit fund

Ørsted will be putting in place a community benefit fund (CBF) valued at **£5,000/MW** per year from the first year of operation of the new wind farm. Depending on the installed capacity this will amount to **£250k-£360k per year** for initiatives that benefit the local community.

The funds are usually managed by an independent organisation, who set up a local committee which decides on how and to whom the funds are distributed. Therefore, people living close to the wind farm will be actively involved in the management of the fund. Some examples of use of our CBFs include support for community broadband initiatives for rural areas (Gneevs Wind Farm CBF in County Kerry supported upgrading existing masts and receivers in the local area); support for local sports clubs (Owenreagh Wind Farm CBF has provided funding to help Owen Roes

GAC purchase and repair the former St Joseph's School in Glenmornan); and support for tourism/leisure initiatives (Sorne/Flughland Wind Farms CBF supported the creation of a walking trail in the Inishowen peninsula in County Donegal).

Job and contracting/supply chain opportunities

The construction and operation of the wind farm will create jobs and offer local companies the opportunity to bid for contracts. More information on this process will be provided at the second community consultation event which will be held early in 2022.

Habitat conservation and management

As part of the planning application, Ørsted will be submitting a Conservation Habitat Management Plan outlining our plans to protect and restore important habitats in and surrounding the wind farm and our measures to enhance biodiversity. This is likely to include creating suitable breeding habitats for local bird species and improving peat and blanket bog in and around the wind farm.



Climate change

In February 2020, the Northern Ireland Assembly declared a "Climate Emergency" and called for immediate actions to cut carbon emissions. One of the key ways to achieve this is by increasing the proportion of renewable energy in the electricity sector. Wind turbines harness the power of the wind to generate renewable electricity. Wind power is clean, cost effective and does the same job as fossil fuels but generates less waste. In addition, the cost of energy from wind farms is now extremely competitive and ranks amongst the cheapest forms of electricity.

Northern Ireland has one of Europe's strongest wind resources creating significant potential for the deployment of wind power to increase the proportion of energy produced from renewable sources. For the year up to November 2020, 49.4% of total

electricity consumption in Northern Ireland was generated from renewable sources located in Northern Ireland, the highest rolling twelve-month period to date. Wind energy contributed almost 85%¹ of all renewable electricity during this period.

The Department for the Economy is currently consulting on a new Energy Strategy and the Economy Minister has said the next target for Northern Ireland should be at least 70% renewable generation by 2030.

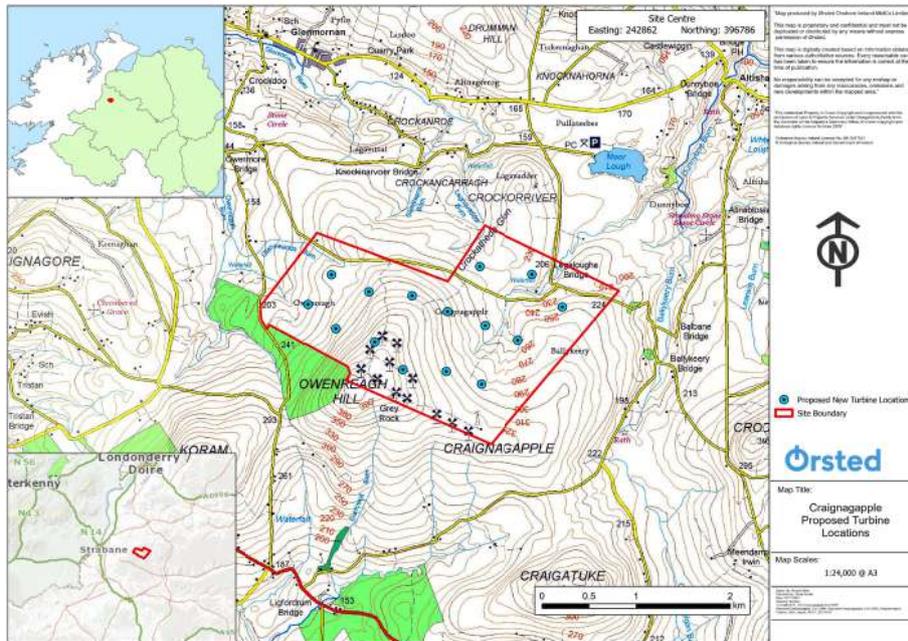
Owenreagh I & II Wind Farms have made an important contribution to Northern Ireland's Renewable Energy targets and low carbon objectives to date, and we are seeking to secure and build on this contribution. The development will contribute over 50 MW to the Northern Ireland Energy Strategy renewable electricity 2030 target.

¹<https://www.economy-ni.gov.uk/articles/electricity-consumption-and-renewable-generation-statistics>

Development layout

The proposed development consists of 15 new turbines, with the existing 15 turbines at Owenreagh I & II being removed. We are currently considering the parameters of the new wind turbines. We are reviewing the suitability of turbines ranging from 150m to 160m

tip height. The final turbine dimensions will be informed by the environmental surveys at the site and ongoing pre-planning application consultations with the Department for Infrastructure, the local community and statutory consultees.



Planning process

In May 2021, the Department for Infrastructure ("DfI Planning") confirmed that they will be responsible for determining the planning application. We are at the pre-application stage and are undertaking consultations with DfI Planning and their statutory consultees on a range of planning and environmental issues. We are also carrying out pre-application community

consultations, including two planned community consultation events to update local communities on the project and seek feedback on the project design as it evolves. We are aiming to submit the planning application in Summer 2022. Upon receipt of the planning application, DfI Planning will start the formal planning application determination process.

Private Water Supplies

A private water supply risk assessment is being carried out as part of this development.

If your home is supplied by a private water source, we would be grateful if you could contact our project team to let us know. The contact details are at the back of this leaflet.

Our hydrology team will then get in touch and ask you to fill out a questionnaire and where possible to provide maps.



Environmental impact assessment

The planning application for the wind farm requires an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) to be undertaken. The EIA will record the baseline environmental conditions for the site and predict how they will be affected by the construction, operation, and decommissioning of the wind farm. EIA is an iterative process and will identify areas of environmental sensitivity which will inform the wind farm design dictating where turbines, and associated infrastructure, may be located in order to minimise any environmental effects.

Topics covered by the EIA will include (but are not limited to):

a. Noise

There are stringent guidelines on wind turbines and noise emissions to ensure the protection of local residents. Noise considerations and consultation with the Environmental Health Department will be important throughout the design process. Turbines will either be located sufficiently away from noise sensitive receptors, such as residential properties, or reduced turbine noise modes will be employed, to comply with the noise limits.

b. Landscape and visual assessment

The Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment (LVIA) will identify the effects of the wind farm on the surrounding landscape, as well as views from certain important, and agreed, viewpoints. The LVIA will also identify visual effects from receptors such as nearby residential properties. LVIA will be considered throughout the EIA process, with a landscape and visual analysis of each design layout being undertaken which will inform design changes.

The LVIA will be supported and accompanied by a series of visualisations known as photomontages; these photomontages will present the wind farm against the existing landscape, allowing the reader and decision makers to fully understand how the wind farm will look within the landscape.

c. Shadow flicker

The EIA will include a shadow flicker assessment. Shadow flicker can be caused by operational turbines (blades) casting an intermittent shadow over sensitive receptors, such as a window on a residential property. It only occurs during certain times of the day and

during certain weather conditions. Current guidance states shadow flicker effects should not exceed a maximum of 30 minutes a day or 30 hours per year. It is the intention that the wind farm will comply with this guidance.

d. Ecology

Ecological data is currently being collected through a variety of surveys, including:

- Habitat surveys
- Bat surveys
- Bird surveys
- Mammal surveys
- Aquatic habitat surveys

Data collected from these surveys will be considered as the ecological baseline and therefore the basis of the ecological impact assessment contained within the EIA. Amongst others, the ecological assessment will be based on, and in line with, guidance published by the Chartered Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management (CIEEM), the Northern Ireland Environment Agency and NatureScot.

e. Peat

Geological and peat assessment will be undertaken across the site. Peat probing, as well as dipwell monitoring, will be undertaken to inform the geological/peat and active peat baselines respectively. The purpose of the peat

probing and active peat assessment is to avoid locating turbines on areas of deep or active peat. Turbines may be moved from their current proposed locations once the full suite of baseline surveys and monitoring has been carried out.

In addition, a peat slide risk assessment will be carried out to ensure there is no risk of a peat slide event during construction or operation of the wind farm.

f. Archaeology and cultural heritage

The wind farm design will avoid any physical impact on the archaeological features in and around the site. The EIA will also consider indirect effects on local archaeological and cultural heritage features; these indirect effects relate largely to changes in surrounding landscape as a result of the wind farm, and whether or not these changes affect their cultural significance. This assessment will be undertaken using baseline photography and photomontages, similar to the LVIA.

Each environmental subject area will, unless otherwise agreed with consultees, undertake a cumulative assessment to understand the effects of the wind farm in combination with other wind farms nearby.



Project programme



We are here



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Email: **info@craignagapplewindfarm.com**

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For the latest information see:
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Love your home

Owenreagh/
Craignagapple
Wind Farm



Community Consultation Event Invitation

You are invited to attend Ørsted's first pre-application community consultation event for the proposed Owenreagh/Craignagapple Wind Farm on:

Wednesday 24th November at Fir Trees Hotel in Strabane

or

Thursday 25th November at Owen Roes GAC Club Rooms

10am-8pm

Due to Covid-19, we are operating via pre-booked appointments only. Please make an appointment, as unfortunately we will only be able to accommodate people who have booked in advance.

You can book your appointment by phone or email on:

07737 494264 | info@craignagapplewindfarm.com

We hope to meet you on 24th or 25th November 2021!

If you do not feel comfortable attending an in-person event, we have set up a virtual exhibition room that will be accessible from 22nd November at:

www.innovision.ie/craignagapple

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Owenreagh/ Craignagapple Wind Farm



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Community Consultation Event Stage 1 Poster Locations

- Clann na nGael GAA Club Rooms, Lisnaragh Road, Aughabrack, Donemana
- Aughabrack Community Hall, Lisnaragh Road, Aughabrack, Donemana
- Kerlin's shop, 248 Lisnaragh Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 OSD
- St Michael's Primary School, 49 Lisnaragh Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 0QN
- Dennett Interchange Ltd, 1 Brook Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 0PF
- McKeown's Shop, 29 Lisnaragh Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 0QL
- The Drummond Centre Project Ltd, 16 Lisnaragh Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 0QL
- Reid's Quality Meats Butcher 244 Berryhill Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 0NB
- Ron's Fast Food 254 Berryhill Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 0NB
- Vivo Donemana, 215 Berryhill Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 0NB
- Donemana Medical Practice, 256 Berryhill Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 0NB
- Donemana PS, 31 Longland Road, Donemana, Strabane, BT82 0PH
- Owen Roe O'Neill's GAC, Leckpatrick, 84A Moorlough Road, Glenmornan, Strabane BT82 0ER
- Glenmornan Hall, Glenmornan, County Tyrone, Moorlough Rd, Artigarvan, Strabane BT82 0ER
- St Joseph's Church Glenmornan 78 Moorlough Rd, Strabane BT82 0ER
- Spar Artigarvan, 38 Berryhill Rd, Artigarvan, Strabane BT82 0HN
- Lacpatrick Dairies, Artigarvan Creamery, 47 Berryhill Rd, Artigarvan, Strabane BT82 0HN
- Artigarvan Community Hall, 48 Berryhill Rd, Artigarvan, Strabane BT82 0HN
- Artigarvan Primary School, 31 Berryhill Rd, Artigarvan, Strabane BT82 0HN
- Centra Ballymagorry, 442 Victoria Rd, Ballymagorry, Strabane BT82 0AT
- Foxlodge Cricket Club 410 Victoria Rd, Ballymagorry, Strabane BT82 0AT
- Milliken Memorial Hall, Lowertown Road, Ballymagorry
- Cloughcor Chapel, 5 Cloughcor Road, Cloughcor, Tyrone
- St Marys Primary Cloughcor 20 Cloughcor Road BT82 0BE Strabane
- Wood fired Pizzaeria 419, A5, Ballymagorry, Strabane BT82 0AT
- The Venue Takeaway, 421 Victoria Road Ballymagorry, BT82 0AT
- Floyds off licence, 421 Victoria Rd, Ballymagorry, Strabane BT82 0AT
- Ali's Steakhouse, Ballymagorry, Strabane BT82 0AT
- McBride's Spar 42 Derry Rd, Strabane BT82 8LB
- Stables Bar Strabane, 38 Patrick St, Strabane BT82 8DQ
- Murphy's on the Green Bar Strabane, 11 Bowling Grn, Strabane BT82 8BJ
- Devlin's Bar and off licence 5 Castle Pl, Strabane BT82 8AW
- MKs Bar 3 Derry Rd, Strabane BT82 8DT
- Strabane Health Centre, 1A Upper Main St, Strabane BT82 8AR
- St Patrick's Hall, Barrack St, Strabane BT82 8HD
- Strabane Community Project, St. Patricks Hall/Barrack St, Strabane BT82 8HD
- Church of the Immaculate Conception, 44 Barrack St, Strabane BT82 8HD
- Plumbridge Surgery, 41 Main Street, Plumbridge
- Glenelly Development Trust, 11b Main Street. Plumbridge Omagh. Co. Tyrone.
- Pinkertons Shop Plumbridge, 23 Main Street, Plumbridge, Omagh BT79 8AA
- Vivo Shop, Dergborough Rd Plumbridge
- NFU Strabane, 15 Dock Street, Strabane BT82 8EE
- Donagheady community Centre and Church, Donagheady
- Donemana Livestock Market
- Beattie's Stores 231 Berryhill Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 0NB
- Donemana Cricket Club 249-259 Duncastle Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 0LR
- Donemana Pharmacy, 260 Berryhill Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 0NB

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To record your views and help us improve future information days, we would be most grateful if you could complete this feedback form.

It should take no longer than a few minutes.

Thank you for your feedback and time.

1) Which category do you fall into? (Please note: local is considered to be a resident living or a business operating within approx. 10 kilometres / 6 miles of the project).

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Local Resident | <input type="checkbox"/> A Community Leader |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Local Business | <input type="checkbox"/> Elected Attendee (Please Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please Specify) _____ | |

2) Were you satisfied with the information provided today?

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> YES (If yes, what did you like?) | <input type="checkbox"/> NO (If no, what could we improve?) |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |

3) How did you find out about this event? Please tick all that apply.

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leaflet posted through my door | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Group (Please Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Poster displayed in the local area | <input type="checkbox"/> Word of Mouth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper Advert | <input type="checkbox"/> Project Website |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social Media | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please Specify) _____ |

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4) Are you supportive of the existing Owenreagh I and II Wind farms?

YES (If yes, why?)

NO (If no, why?)

UNSURE (If unsure, what additional information would assist in forming a view?)

5) Are you supportive of the proposed new development?

YES (If yes, why?)

NO (If no, why?)

UNSURE (If unsure, what additional information would assist in forming a view?)

6) If approved, Owenreagh/Craignagapple Wind Farm will put in place a Community Benefit Fund at a level of £5,000/MW, equivalent to £250k-£360k per year depending on installed MW. Are there any local priorities and projects that you would like to see supported?

Yes

No

7) Please provide details on the projects you would like to see supported.

Owenreagh/ Craignagapple Wind Farm



8) Do you have any other comments for us to consider?

9) If you would like to be kept informed about this project or have requested additional information, please include your name and contact details below.

Please return to:

Post: Craignagapple Windfarm, FAO Olivia Roche, Floor 5 City Quarter, Lapp's Quay, Cork. T12 A2XD, Ireland

Email: info@craignagapplewindfarm.com

This Public Information Day forms part of the formal pre-application community consultation. The information you provide will be used for the purpose of registering your attendance at this event which is a statutory requirement of this process. This information will be collected and stored securely by Ørsted.

For further information regarding how we will use your data, and your rights in this respect, please refer to the privacy statement on the website at: www.ored.com/en/privacy-policy.

Appendix 3: – Stage 2 Public Consultation Material



Owenreagh/ Craignagapple Wind Farm

Leaflet 3

Introduction

Welcome to the third and final leaflet on the proposed Owenreagh/Craignagapple Wind Farm. The purpose of this leaflet is to present the design proposed to be submitted for assessment to the planning authority, outline the many ways in which this project could bring positive benefit to the local area, and explain how you can engage with the planning process.

In putting together this design we have taken into account your feedback from the previous community consultation events, and that of DfI Planning and statutory consultees such as Environmental Health (noise), NIEA-NED (ecology including peat) and Landscape Architects Branch (Landscape and Visual Impact). If you have feedback on this design, you can contact the project team; details can be found at the back of this leaflet. Or you can meet us at our

second community consultation events which will be held on 30th November at the Fir Trees Hotel in Strabane and 1st December at Owen Roes' Club Rooms in Glenmornan. The project ecologist and landscape architect will also be in attendance to answer your questions. More details on this event can be found in the invitation delivered along with this leaflet. We hope to see you there!

About Ørsted

The Ørsted vision is a world that runs entirely on green energy. Ørsted ranks as the world's most sustainable energy company and is recognised as a global leader on climate action. Headquartered in Denmark, Ørsted employs more than 7,000 people in 14 countries around the world with over 4.7GW of operating wind, solar and storage assets. Ørsted's onshore Ireland and Northern Ireland portfolio consists of over 332MW of operating wind capacity, including Owenreagh I & II Wind Farms.

Meet the team



Olivia Roche

Ørsted's Project Manager for the proposed wind farm development. Olivia has been involved in the renewable energy sector since 2014.



Michael Nicholas

Community Liaison Officer for the proposed wind farm development. Michael is an experienced Communications Manager & lives locally to the project.



Kellie Rouse

Assistant Community Liaison Officer for the proposed wind farm development. Kellie recently completed a Master's Degree in Agriculture at Queen's, works as an Agriculture Consultant and lives locally.

Climate change

Northern Ireland's first law to tackle climate change, the 'Climate Change Act (Northern Ireland) 2022', received Royal Assent on 6 June 2022. The Act aims to have Northern Ireland play its part in the global and UK effort to tackle climate change by creating a framework that will establish a pathway to achieving emission reduction targets. This will help to ensure that Northern Ireland develops a greener, low carbon circular economy in which the environment can prosper and be protected. The Act includes a target for net-zero emissions by 2050 as well as a set of interim targets for 2030 and 2040 for reducing greenhouse gas emissions in Northern Ireland.

The recently adopted Northern Ireland Energy Strategy (Department for Economy) contains an ambitious 70% renewable electricity target by 2030, with flexibility to increase this target if it is achieved. One of the key ways to achieve this target is by increasing the proportion of renewable energy in the electricity sector. Wind turbines harness

the power of the wind to generate renewable electricity. Wind power is clean, cost effective and does the same job as fossil fuels but generates less waste. The recent energy crisis has highlighted our over-reliance on fossil fuels from overseas. Installing wind farms such as this one, will help to secure Northern Ireland's energy independence and help to shield us from excessive fossil fuel prices.

Owenreagh I & II Wind Farms have made an important contribution to Northern Ireland's Renewable Energy targets and low carbon objectives to date, and through this project we are seeking to secure and build on this contribution. We will be reusing an existing site, and reutilising its existing infrastructure, such as access roads, wherever possible. Repowering the existing operational windfarms in this way will not only help maintain the level of renewables generation in Northern Ireland, but will add to the further decarbonisation of the power sector, and help realise the Net Zero targets.

¹<https://cedrec.com/legislation/56074/overview>

Benefits to the local community

Owenreagh/Craignagapple Wind Farm will offer a number of benefits to the local community.

Community benefit fund

Ørsted will be putting in place a community benefit fund (CBF) valued at £5,000/MW per year from the first year of operation of the new wind farm. If the final project design gets consented this will equate to a fund of between £300k-£400k per annum (depending on the final turbine selection).

The funds are usually managed by an independent organisation, who set up a local committee which decides on how and to whom the funds are distributed. The existing Owenreagh Wind Farms' Community Benefit Fund has supported a number of local initiatives including Owen Roes' GAA Club, Clann na nGael GAA Club and installation of a defibrillator at Tristan Road, Evish.

Job and contracting/supply chain opportunities

The construction and operation of the wind farm will create jobs and contracting opportunities. As part of the tender for the wind farm construction, successful bidders will have to commit

to holding a "Meet the Suppliers" event for local businesses and contractors, informing them of how they can bid to provide goods and services for the construction and operation of the wind farm.

Habitat conservation and management

As part of the planning application, Ørsted will submit a Habitat Management Plan outlining our plans to protect and restore important habitats around the wind farm and our measures to enhance biodiversity. We are partnering with an expert hydrologist in peatland restoration from Queen's University Belfast to design innovative methods to restore peat in the area. We will improve habitats for important local bird species such as merlin, snipe, and red grouse. We are also looking into further habitat enhancement options for bats, mammals, reptiles, amphibians and invertebrates across the Wind Farm site.



Image 1

Members of the local Evish Community with Kellie Rouse representing Ørsted at the new Defibrillator which is located at 11 Tristan Road, Evish, Strabane, BT82 8NG. Pictured L-R: Elaine Sproule McKenna, Mary McCrossan, Rosemary McCrossan, James McCrossan, Kellie Rouse (Ørsted), Geraldine Boggs, Paddy Joe McCrossan and Pearl Sproule.

Image 2

Kellie Rouse representing Ørsted making the Community Benefit Fund donation to Clann na nGael Youth Player Dearbhaile Sproule. Pictured Left to Right are Clann na nGael members Aibhín Sproule, Conleith McAleer, Dearbhaile Sproule, Kellie Rouse (Ørsted), Dara Sproule and Conor Sproule.

Participants in Defibrillator Training Course funded by Ørsted and provided by Termon Community Responders in St Catherine's Primary School, Strabane

Image 3

L-R Roisin Toner, Sean Fullerton (Termon Community Responders), Barbara Jansen, Cormac McCrossan, Geraldine Gallagher, Patrick Casey, Patrick Hughes (Termon Community Responders), Leslie Buchanan, Ruth Buchanan

Image 4

Noeleen Dooher, Carmel O'Donnell, Majella Farrell

Wind farm design considerations

a. Noise

There are stringent guidelines on the noise levels wind turbines can contribute at residential properties to ensure the protection of local residents. The turbines have been located sufficiently away from noise sensitive receptors, such as residential properties, in order to ensure noise levels are within the allowed limits and that noise impacts are reduced as far as reasonably practical. Meetings were held with Environmental Health Officers to discuss the methodology used. If during operation the turbine noise is considered unacceptable, this can be raised directly with the Derry City & Strabane District Council's Environmental Health Office who will liaise with Ørsted to investigate the complaint.

b. Landscape and visual assessment

The Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment (LVIA) has been considered throughout the design process. Following initial consultation with DfI Planning and Landscape Architects Branch, it was decided to reduce the planned height of the turbines from 180m to 156.5m. This was due to residential amenity considerations as well as the location of the site on the western edge of the Sperrin's Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

A landscape and visual analysis of the final design layout will be included in the planning application. It will be supported and accompanied by a series of visualisations known as photomontages and wireline views; these will present the wind farm against the existing landscape, allowing the reader and decision makers to fully understand how the wind farm will look within the landscape.

c. Ecology

Ecological data has been collected through a variety of surveys, including:

- Habitat surveys
- Bat surveys
- Bird surveys
- Mammal surveys
- Aquatic habitat surveys

Data collected from these surveys strongly influenced the wind farm design. A number of important bird species were identified across the site. Careful consideration has been taken to avoid any impacts of development for these species, and instead improve the habitat within the area as part of the Habitat Management Plan. Care was taken with the siting of the infrastructure to protect the flora and fauna on site.

d. Peat

Detailed hydrology and ecology surveys were conducted to assess the status of the peat on site. These included peat probing, dipwell monitoring and vegetation classification. Detailed maps of peat depth (found to be 0m to 4.3m) and peat condition (from active peat to inactive peat) were produced to avoid locating turbines and associated infrastructure on deep or active peat. This has resulted in the need for seven separate entrances as it was not possible to locate internal roads between the turbines without impacting active peat. In addition, a peat slide risk assessment was carried out to ensure the risk of a peat slide event during

construction or operation of the wind farm is minimised. Geological Survey of Northern Ireland were consulted during this process.

e. Other design considerations

There were many other topics considered during the design of the wind farm including:

- Shadow Flicker
- Archaeology and Cultural Heritage
- Hydrology and Geology
- Traffic & Transport
- Land Use, Socioeconomics & Tourism
- Telecommunications
- Human Health



Planning process and how you can get involved

In May 2021, the Department for Infrastructure (“DfI Planning”) confirmed that they will be responsible for determining the planning application. We have undertaken a number of consultations with DfI Planning and their statutory consultees on a range of planning and environmental issues. We are aiming to submit the planning application in Spring 2023. Upon receipt of the planning application, DfI Planning will start the formal planning application determination process. Following the submission of the planning application to DfI Planning, the

full suite of planning application documents will be available to view on the DfI Planning website:

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/finding-planning-application>²

Members of the public can make comments/ submissions in respect of the planning application directly to DfI Planning. DfI Planning will review the submission and will consider the issues raised as part of their planning assessment and decision-making process on the planning application.

²The address of the DfI planning website may be subject to change after the update to the planning portal website which is ongoing.



Project programme



Contact us

Telephone: **07733 210379** to speak with our
Community Liaison Officer, Michael Nicholas
or
Email: **info@craignagapplewindfarm.com**

Post: Craignagapple Wind Farm, Floor 5, City
Quarter, Lapps Quay, Cork, Ireland.

For the latest information see:
craignagapplewindfarm.com


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Wind Farm

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Community Consultation Event Invitation

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11am-1pm and 4pm-8pm

on:

Wednesday 30th November at Fir Trees Hotel in Strabane

or

Thursday 1st December at Owen Roes GAC Club Rooms

We are operating via pre-booked appointments only. Please make an appointment, as unfortunately we will only be able to accommodate people who have booked in advance.

You can book your appointment by phone or email on:

07737 552877 | info@craignagapplewindfarm.com

We hope to meet there!

If you do not feel comfortable attending an in-person event, we have set up a virtual exhibition room that will be accessible from 28th November at:

www.innovision.ie/craignagapple

www.craignagapplewindfarm.com

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Craignagapple
Wind Farm



Sorry we missed you today!

We called today to deliver this leaflet and to discuss the project with you. Unfortunately, there was no one at home.

We will be holding community consultation events on 30th of November at the Fir Trees Hotel in Strabane and 1st December at Owen Roes GAC Club Rooms from 11am-1pm and 4pm-8pm. We are operating this via pre-booked appointments. If you wish to book at slot on either of these days, please ring 07737 552877.

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www.innovision.ie/craignagapple

In the meantime, if you have any questions or would like to arrange us to call at a time that suits you, please contact us using the details below.

Michael Nicholas, Community Liaison Officer, 07733 210379 | Kellie Rouse, Assistant Community Liaison Officer, 07596 581699

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Pre-Application Community Consultation Stage 2 2022 Poster Locations

- Holden Agriculture and Fuels Ltd, 27 Art Road, Artigarvan, Strabane BT82 0HA
- Spar Artigarvan, 38 Berryhill Rd, Artigarvan, Strabane BT82 0HN
- Artigarvan Primary School, 31 Berryhill Rd, Artigarvan, Strabane BT82 0HN
- St. Mary's Primary School Cloughcor, 20 Cloughcor Road, Ballymagorry, Strabane BT820BE
- Cloughcor Chapel, 5 Cloughcor Road, Cloughcor, Tyrone
- Owen Roe O'Neill's GAC, Leckpatrick, 84A Moorlough Road, Glenmornan, Strabane BT82 0ER
- Glenmornan Hall, Glenmornan, County Tyrone, Moorlough Rd, Artigarvan, Strabane BT82 0ER
- St Joseph's Church Glenmornan 78 Moorlough Rd, Strabane BT82 0ER
- O'Neill Transport Ltd 48A Ballyheather Rd, Ballymagorry, Strabane BT82 0LB
- Spar Derry Rd Strabane, 42 Derry Rd, Strabane BT82 8LB
- Park View Vets, Orchard Road Industrial Estate Strabane
- UFU Strabane, 15 Dock Street, Strabane BT82 8EE
- Strabane Controlled Primary School, 43 Derry Road, Strabane BT82 8DX
- Strabane Health Centre, 1A Upper Main St, Strabane BT82 8AR
- Sacred Heart Church Derry Road 18, Strabane BT82 8DX
- MKs Bar 3 Derry Rd, Strabane BT82 8DT
- Stables Bar Strabane, 38 Patrick St, Strabane BT82 8DQ
- Church of the Immaculate Conception, 44 Barrack St, Strabane BT82 8HD
- Gibson Agri Supplies, 33-37 Dock Street, Strabane BT82 8EE
- Artigarvan Community Hall, 48 Berryhill Rd, Artigarvan, Strabane BT82 0HN
- Lakeland Dairies, Artigarvan Creamery, 47 Berryhill Rd, Artigarvan, Strabane BT82 0HN
- Vivo Donemana, 215 Berryhill Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 0NB
- Reid's Quality Meats Butcher 244 Berryhill Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 0NB
- Donemana Medical Practice, 256 Berryhill Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 0NB
- Donemana Pharmacy, 260 Berryhill Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 0NB
- Donemana PS, 31 Longland Road, Donemana, Strabane, BT82 0PH
- St Michael's Primary School, 49 Lisnaragh Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 0QN
- The Drummond Centre Project Limited. 16 Lisnaragh Road, Dunamanagh, Dunamanagh
- Dennett Interchange Ltd, 1 Brook Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 0PF
- Donemana Livestock Market, Main St Dunamanagh, Strabane BT82 8AS
- Beattie's Stores 231 Berryhill Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 0NB
- Donemana Cricket Club 249-259 Duncastle Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 0LR
- Ron's Fast Food 254 Berryhill Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 0NB
- St Patricks Church Donemana, Lilac Avenue, Dunamanagh, Tyrone
- McKeown's Shop, 29 Lisnaragh Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 0QL
- Kerlin's shop, 248 Lisnaragh Rd, Donemana, Strabane BT82 0SD
- Aughabrack Community Hall, Lisnaragh Road, Aughabrack, Donemana
- Clann na nGael GAA Club Rooms, Lisnaragh Road, Aughabrack, Donemana
- St Mary's Church, Aughabrack Lisnaragh Rd, Strabane BT82 0SP
- Plumbridge Surgery, 41 Main Street, Plumbridge
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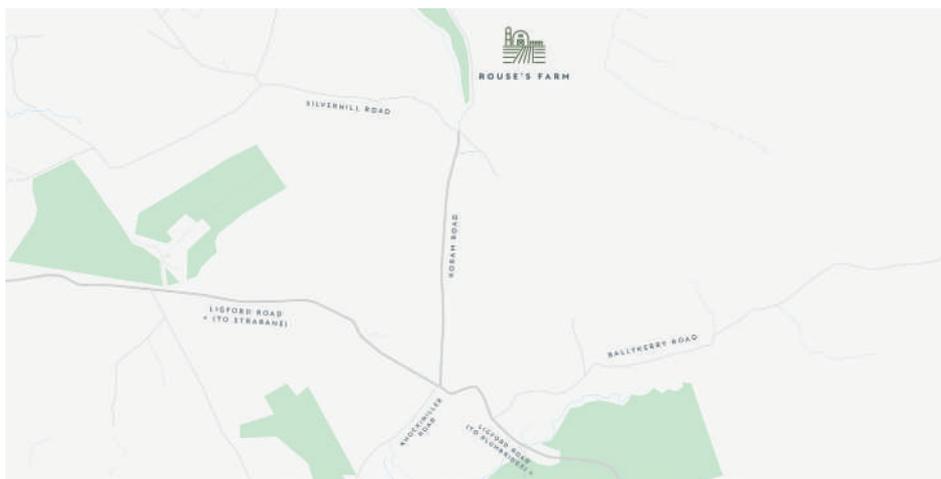
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Proposed Community Consultation Event for Ligfordrum

We have been made aware that there may be some interest in a specific local event for people living in the Ligfordrum area. If there is sufficient interest, we will hold an event on:

**Tuesday 28th November at Rouse's Farm, 35 Koram Road, BT82 0EZ
6pm-8pm**



If you are interested in attending this event, please let us know on:

07733 210379 | info@craignagapplewindfarm.com

Date of Community Event in Ligfordrum

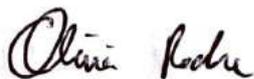
Dear Resident,

We recently dropped the third project leaflet and an invitation to a community event in Ligfordrum for Craignagapple/Owenreagh Wind Farm to your house.

There was a mistake in the date on the invitation. It read Tuesday 28th November 2022 and it should have read **Tuesday 29th November 2022**.

We apologise for any confusion this has caused. We hope that you will be able to join us at this event at Rouse's Farm. If you would like to attend, please contact our Community Liaison Officer, Michael Nicholas, on +44 7733 210379.

Yours sincerely,



Olivia Roche
Project Developer
Ørsted Onshore Ireland & UK

Appendix 4: Stage 1 & Stage 2 Public Newspaper Notices

For local jobs visit www.north-westjobs.com



Derry City & Strabane District Council
Comhairle Chathair Dhoire & Cheantar an tStrabha Bóin
Derry Cille & Strabane District Council

Applications are invited for the following positions within Derry City & Strabane District Council:

- **Community Safety Warden**
2 x part time temporary
- **Customer Service Advisor**
3 x part time temporary
- **Casual Fitness Instructor**
- **Casual Fitness Class Coaches**

Closing Date: Friday, 3rd December 2021 at 4.00 pm

An application pack containing all the information on the above posts is available from:

Website: www.derrystrabane.com/council/jobs
Telephone: 028 71 253 253

Derry City and Strabane District Council is an equal opportunities employer. We particularly welcome applicants from the Protestant community at this time.

www.derrystrabane.com

John Kelpie MEng., CEng., MStructE., MIEI
Chief Executive
Derry City and Strabane District Council

Derry C/o Council Offices, 98 Strand Road,
Derry BT48 7NN

Strabane C/o Council Offices, 47 Derry Road
Strabane BT82 8DY

PUBLIC NOTICE- Ørsted

The Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 and The Planning (Development Management) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 (Regulation 5 (2) (b)) & The Planning (Development Management) (Temporary Modifications) (Coronavirus) (Amendment No.2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2021

PRE-APPLICATION COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Proposal: Decommissioning of Owenreagh I & II windfarms and modification and extension of the consented Craignagapple windfarm (Planning Reference No.J/2010/0481/F) that will provide up to 15 no. turbines

Location: Existing operational Owenreagh windfarm (I & II) located on the eastern edge of the Sperrin Mountains, on Owenreagh Hill, approximately 6km south-east of Artigarvan village, Co.Tyrone.

How information may be obtained concerning the proposed development?

Information on the proposed development can be obtained via:

- We will be holding community consultation events on 24th of November at the Fir Trees Hotel in Strabane and 25th November at Owen Roes GAC club rooms. In consideration of Covid-19 we are operating this via pre-booked appointments. The community consultation events will run between 10am and 8pm. If you wish to book at slot on either of these days, please ring Lee Talbot on 07737494264 or contact him via email at the following email address info@craignagapplewindfarm.com. Please make an appointment, as unfortunately we will only be able to accommodate people who have booked in advance.
- If you do not feel comfortable attending an in-person event, we have set up a virtual exhibition room that will be accessible from 22nd November until February 2022 using the following address:
- www.innovision.ie/craignagapple
- If members of the public do not have access to the internet, they can request details on the project through contacting the Community Liaison Officer on the following number:
– Community Liaison Officer- 07733 210379
- Should you require further information or if you wish to make comment on the proposals please contact an Ørsted representative via email – info@craignagapplewindfarm.com

This notice does not relate to a planning application. Comments should not be made to the Department for Infrastructure or Derry City and Strabane District Council. Any comments made to the prospective applicant are not representations to the planning authority. If a planning application is subsequently submitted to Department for Infrastructure normal neighbourhood notification and publicity will be undertaken at that time and you will have the opportunity to make formal representations regarding the proposal at that time.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Full details of the following planning applications including plans, maps and drawings are available to view on the NI Portal at www.planningni.gov.uk or alternatively as the Planning Office is currently closed to public access, please contact 02871 253253 to seek alternative options to view the information you require.

Written comments should be submitted within the next 14 days. Please quote the application number in any correspondence and note that all representations made, including objections, will be posted on the NI Planning Portal.

Initial Advertisements

APPLICATION	LOCATION	PROPOSAL
LAI/2021/1132/RM Derg	Approx 50m west of 64 Scraghy Road Castleterg	One & half storey dwelling and domestic garage
LAI/2021/1133/F Sperrin	8 Towncastle Road Strabane BT82 0AH	Erection of single storey side extension, new rear porch, increase in ridge of front projections and increase in ridge of garage with first floor external link to dwelling
LAI/2021/1136/F Sperrin	16 Ballycolman Estate Strabane	Erection of single storey extension to gable of existing dwelling
LAI/2021/1142/F Sperrin	1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16, 17,18 and 19 Bracken Hill Strabane Town Parks of Strabane Co. Tyrone BT82 8FH	Proposed retention of 10 No. Semi-detached two storey dwellings, 6 Detached 2no. dwellings, 1no Single storey dwelling, 3no Garages and existing access road and residential gardens.

Re-Advertisements

LAI/2021/1066/F Derg	45 Parkside Gardens Slon Mills BT82 9LT	Proposed sunroom extension to gable of dwelling
LAI/2021/0729/O Sperrin	50m S.S.E. of 377 Lisnaragh Road Plumbridge BT79 8AN	Proposed replacement dwelling (amended application site and plans)

www.planningni.gov.uk

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Derry / Strabane C/o Planning Department of the Derry City and Strabane District Council, 98 Strand Road, Derry BT48 7NN

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Email: office@camphillclanabogan.com

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The Department for Infrastructure (DfI) has made a Statutory Rule entitled "The Traffic Weight Restriction (Clady) Order (Northern Ireland) 2021", (S.R. 2021 No. 296), which comes into operation on 29th November 2021.

The Rule will prohibit vehicles exceeding 7.5 tonnes maximum gross weight from using the B85 Urney Road, Clady from its junction with the B165 Bellsparck Road to its junction with the U0204 Urney Road. Vehicles are exempted from the restriction in certain circumstances.

During the current Covid-19 restrictions, a copy of the Rule may be viewed at DfI offices during office hours (Monday to Friday 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.) by appointment only. Appointments can be arranged either by email to TrafficWestern@infrastructure-ni.gov.uk or by telephone on 02882 254085. The Rule may also be viewed online at <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/nisr>

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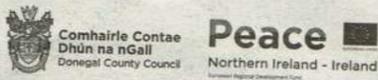


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- Supply & Commissioning of Particulate Matter / Sulphur Dioxide Analysers
- PEACE IV Riverine Community Park - Shared Space Connections Project
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12:00 Noon**

- Supply & Delivery of Misc Fleet Assets

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LICENSING (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1996
Articles 5(1)(b), 7, 9 and Schedule 1

Notice of application for the provisional grant of a licence for premises in which the only or principal business is the sale of intoxicating liquor by retail for consumption off the premises

IN THE COUNTY COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DIVISION SITTING AT DUNGANNON

TAKE NOTICE that Lidl Northern Ireland Limited having its registered situate at RDC Nutts Corner, Dundrod Road, Crumlin, Co Antrim intends to apply to the County Court in the Western Division sitting at Dungannon County Court, 46 Killyman Road, Dungannon, Co Tyrone for the above Division commencing at 10.30 in the forenoon of the 2nd day of December 2021 for the provisional grant of a licence for premises situate at Units 1-4 Strabane Retail Park, Branch Road and 195 Lower Main Street, Strabane, Co Tyrone being such premises as are specified in Article 5(1)(b) of the Licensing (Northern Ireland) Order 1996, namely, premises in which the applicant intends to carry on the business of selling intoxicating liquor by retail for consumption off the premises.

AND TAKE NOTICE that this application will be dealt with by the Court on 2nd day of December 2021 commencing at 10.30 in the forenoon.

The applicant company will be the owner of the business.

The applicant is a limited liability company whose directors are:-

John Paul Scally, Main Road, Tallaght, Dublin 24.
Maeva McCleane, Main Road, Tallaght, Dublin 24.
Conor Boyle, RDC Nutts Corner, Dundrod Road, Crumlin, Co Antrim
Avril O'Hehir, RDC Nutts Corner, Dundrod Road, Crumlin, Co Antrim
Robert Ryan, RDC Nutts Corner, Dundrod Road, Crumlin, Co Antrim

The persons having executive control of the company are as follows:-

John Paul Scally
Maeva McCleane
Conor Boyle
Avril O'Hehir
Robert Ryan

The company is incorporated in Northern Ireland under company number NI647629.

Avril O'Hehir is the Company Secretary.

The owner of the premises is Lidl Northern Ireland Limited

In accordance with Schedule 1 of the said Order and Rule 6 of Order 48 of the County Court Rules (Northern Ireland) 1981 attached to this notice a copy of a plan of the said premises is attached delineating:-

- the part of parts thereof in which intoxicating liquor is to be sold; and
- the extent of the premises which are to be extended, used or demolished.

There is in force planning permission to use the premises as premises of the kind specified in this notice for the period during which the licence would be in force and a copy of the planning permission is attached.

A subsisting licence as defined in Schedule II of the said Order for premises at Bradley Way, Strabane, Co Tyrone, BT82 9PU such as are specified in Article 5(1)(b) of the said order situate at will be surrendered to the Court.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that any person owning, residing or carrying on business in the vicinity of the premises for which the licence is sought must, in accordance with paragraph 6 of Schedule I to the Order serve notice of his intention to object upon the applicant (at its Solicitors address herein if required) and the Chief Clerk not less than one week before the opening of the Court sittings specified herein.

The permissible grounds of objection are as specified in Article 7(4)(a) to (e)(i) of the said Order, namely:

- failure to comply with the correct procedure;
- the fitness of the applicant;
- the unsuitability of the premises; and
- where subject to Article 7(6) or Schedule 3, paragraph 6 of the said Order, the number of licensed premises of that kind in the vicinity is or will be adequate.

Dated this 5th day of November 2021

Signed:
DWF (NI) LLP
Solicitors for the Applicant
Jefferson House
42 Queen Street
Belfast BT1 6HL

To:

- The Chief Clerk
Dungannon County Court
46 Killyman Road
Dungannon
Co Tyrone
- The Clerk of the Petty Sessions
Strabane Magistrates Court c/o
Omagh Magistrates Court
High Street
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BT78 1DU
- The Sub-Divisional Commander where the premises are situate:
Strabane PSNI Station
23-25 Bowling Green
Strabane
County Tyrone
BT82 8BW
- The Sub-Divisional Commander where the applicant's place of business in Northern Ireland is situate:
Antrim PSNI Station
24 Castle Street
Antrim
BT41 4JE
- Derry & Strabane District Council
47 Derry Road
Strabane
County Tyrone
BT82 8DY

LICENSING (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1996
(Article 26, Schedule 6, Paras 2 and 3)

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PROTECTION ORDER PETTY SESSIONS DISTRICT OF: STRABANE COUNTY COURT DIVISION OF: FERMANAGH AND TYRONE

TAKE NOTICE that I, John Mc Guinness of Harry Jacks Ltd of 23 Belldoo, Strabane in the County of Tyrone intend to apply to the Magistrates' Court sitting at Strabane on Thursday 18 November 2021 at 10.30 a.m. for a Protection Order authorising me to carry on business under the licence held by Patrick Joseph Scullion of 71 Creagh Road, Castledawson, Magherafelt, BT45B 8EY, County Derry for the premises at 28-34 Railway Street, Strabane, County Tyrone, BT82 8EH being premises of a kind specified in article 5(1)(a), namely premises in which the only or principal business carried on is the business of selling intoxicating liquor by retail for consumption either in or off the premises.

I am proposing to apply for the transfer of the licence.

Dated this 5th day of November 2021.

Signed:
Solicitors for the Applicant,
Quigley MacManus
11 Railway Street, Strabane
To:
The Clerk of Petty Sessions,
Courthouse, High Street,
Omagh

The Sub-Divisional
Commander, PSNI,
Bowling Green, STRABANE.

Application for Entertainments Licence

LOCAL GOVERNMENT
(Miscellaneous Provisions)
(Northern Ireland)
Order 1985
Article 3 and Schedule 1

Floyds & Ballymagorry Arms Limited, have today applied to the Derry City and Strabane District Council for the Renewal of an Entertainments Licence in respect of Floyds Restaurant & Ballymagorry Arms Ltd, 421 Victoria Road, Strabane. Entertainment is to be provided on the following days and between the following hours: Monday-Sunday, 11pm-2am. The nature of the entertainments to be provided: Dancing, singing, musical entertainment.

Any person wishing to make representation in relation to this application shall give notice to the Council, addressed to Licensing & SAG, Derry City and Strabane District Council, 98 Strand Road, Derry, BT48 7NN or email licensing@derrystrabane.com, stating in general terms the nature of the representation, not later than 28 days after the date of the application.

Dated this 10th day of November, 2021.
Signed: Peter Villa
(Signature of applicant)

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Initial Advertisements

APPLICATION	LOCATION	PROPOSAL
LA11/2021/1087/F Derg	17 Main Street, Killeter, Castlederg, BT81 7EL	Erection of two storey building (with basement level) to provide 4 No. apartments
LA11/2021/1125/F Derg	242 Melmount Road, Victoria Bridge, Strabane, BT82 9LB	Single storey front extension to dwelling
LA11/2021/1127/F Derg	Land to rear of 53, Main Street, Castlederg, Co. Tyrone, BT81 7AN	Retention of replacement general storage building
LA11/2021/1113/RM Faughan	Site 20 M. NW. of 11 Keery Road, Bready, BT82 0DY	Erection of 2 Storey off site replacement dwelling and garage
LA11/2021/1115/F Sperrin	63 Ardcarne Road, Donemana, Co. Tyrone, BT82 0LU	Single storey side extension and ramp to front of dwelling
LA11/2021/1120/F Sperrin	41 Carrickayne Road, Carrickayne, Strabane, BT47 4JW	Erection of single storey replacement dwelling and detached domestic garage
LA11/2021/1123/RM Sperrin	Site 75 M. South East of 14 Slieveboy Road, Park Village, Claudy	Construction of 1 & 1/2 storey dwelling house and detached double garage

Re-Advertisements

LA11/2021/0448/F Derg	19 Pullyernan Road, Castlederg, BT81 7LO	Proposed replacement dwelling
LA11/2021/1060/O Derg	50 M. South East of 80 Corgary Road, Castlederg, BT81 7YF	Proposed farm dwelling and domestic garage (amended plan)
LA11/2021/0486/O Sperrin	380 M. N.W. of 33 Aughafad Road, Donemana, BT82 0SH	Proposed replacement dwelling having 7.0 M. ridge height with access onto Aughafad Road and retention of new access. (Amended P2 certificate)
LA11/2021/0714/F Sperrin	10 Drummam Court, Strabane, Co. Tyrone, BT82 9DU	Proposed single storey extension to rear of dwelling
LA11/2021/1103/F Sperrin	11 Castle Street, Strabane, BT82 8AF	Erection of temporary external parasol, for outdoor dining

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PRE-APPLICATION PUBLIC CONSULTATION (RE-CONSULTATION)

Derry City & Strabane District Council are in the process of developing plans for the eastern portion of the exciting new 'Riverine Community Park' in Strabane, along with their partners in Donegal County Council. The proposal will see the development of a new community park incorporating the preservation of protected wetland areas to be used for educational and environmental purposes, planting, walking and cycling trails and a new footbridge to the western side of the park currently being planned by Donegal County Council.

Since the initial Pre-application Public Consultation exercises undertaken in June 2021 and February 2022, it has been necessary to make a number of changes to the design layout.

Proposal

Development of the eastern portion of the new Riverine Community Park (i.e., that area of the development falling within the Derry City & Strabane District Council area), including open space, wetland areas, pedestrian and cycle access, and a new footbridge across the River Foyle.

Location of Proposed Development

Vacant land adjacent to and north-west of the A5 (Barnhill Road) and east of Park Road, Strabane.

Consultation

As part of this process, Derry City & Strabane District Council wish to formally invite you to view the proposed amendments to the plans and to let them know if you have any comments on the revised proposal. The plans can be viewed on the following website between the dates of **01 December 2022 and 09 December 2022:**

www.riverine-planning-consultation.com

A public consultation event will be held on **Thursday 1st December 2022**

3-5pm and 6-8pm,

at the following location:

DCSDC Council Offices, 47 Derry Road, Strabane, BT82 8DY

Further information relating to the proposals may be obtained from Resolve Planning & Development, Innovation Factory, Forthriver Business Park, 385 Springfield Road, Belfast BT12 7DG. If you wish to make comments on the proposal you may do so via the above website and/or in writing to Resolve Planning & Development. Comments to be received no later than Friday 09 December 2022.

Comments should not be made to the Planning Department at Derry City & Strabane District Council. When the amended proposals are subsequently submitted to Derry City & Strabane District Council's Planning Department, normal neighbour notification and publicity will be undertaken at that time and you will have the opportunity to make formal representation regarding the proposal at that time.



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LAI/2022/1023/F Faughan	22 Barr Cragg, Claudy, Co Derry, BT47 4DU	Construction of proposed single storey side and rear extension to dwelling
LAI/2022/1030/F Faughan	7 Vine Road, Bready, BT82 0DH	Proposed single storey detached garage
LAI/2022/1020/O Sperrin	Approximately 130 M. East of 64 Meendamp Road, Dunnamanagh, Co. Tyrone, BT82 0RP	Erection of farm dwelling and garage
LAI/2022/1022/O Sperrin	Land South of junction of Bradley Way and Strabane bypass and North of Nos. 46-51 Carrick Strand, (Housing Estate), Strabane	Site for social housing development, associated works & landscaping with access onto Bradley Way
LAI/2022/1034/RM Sperrin	Lands adjacent to 97 Moorlough Road, Glenmoman, Strabane, BT82 0ES (with access onto Crookan Road BT82 0HZ)	Erection of single storey dwelling with attached car port domestic garage
LAI/2022/1045/F Sperrin	Lands approximately 540 M. North East of No. 5 Ballylaw Road, Artigarvan, BT82 0HS	Erection of wind turbine with a 40 M. hub height and 27 M. blade length (900 kW. output), associated 2 No. electricity cabinets and site works
Re-Advertisements		
LAI/2022/0936/F Derg	To rear of 2 Somerville Road, Clady, Strabane	Retention of agricultural shed (additional information received)

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GRADUATION



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Written comments should be submitted within the next 14 days. Please quote the application number in any correspondence and note that all representations made, including objections, will be posted on the NI Planning Portal.

APPLICATION	LOCATION	PROPOSAL
LATI/2022/1039/F Derg	Lands approximately 135 metres South of 40 Greenville Road, Newtownstewart, BT78 4LU	Proposed amendments to existing anaerobic digestion (AD) plant (previously approved via permissions J/2009/0450/F, J/2010/0062/F, J/2015/0062/F & LATI/2018/0838/F) to permit additional European Waste Catalogue (EWC) codes as feedstock retention of use of approved drying shed as a liquefier building
LATI/2022/1023/F Faughan	22 Barr Cregg, Claudy, Co Derry, BT47 4DU	Construction of proposed single storey side and rear extension to dwelling Proposed single storey detached garage
LATI/2022/1030/F Faughan	7 Vine Road, Bready, BT82 0DH	Erection of farm dwelling and garage
LATI/2022/1020/O Sperrin	Approximately 130 M. East of 64 Meendamp Road, Dunnamannagh, Co. Tyrone, BT82 0RP	Site for social housing development, associated works & landscaping with access onto Bradley Way
LATI/2022/1022/O Sperrin	Land South of junction of Bradley Way and Strabane bypass and North of Nos. 46-51 Carrick Strand, (Housing Estate), Strabane	Erection of single storey dwelling with attached car port domestic garage
LATI/2022/1034/RM Sperrin	Lands adjacent to 97 Moorlough Road, Glenmorman, Strabane, BT82 0ES (with access onto Crockan Road BT82 0HZ)	Erection of wind turbine with a 40 M. hub height and 27 M. blade length (900 kW output), associated 2 No. electricity cabinets and site works
LATI/2022/1045/F Sperrin	Lands approximately 540 M. North East of No. 5 Ballylaw Road, Artigarvan, BT82 0HS	Retention of agricultural shed (additional information received)

Re-Advertisements
LATI/2022/0936/F Derg
To rear of 2 Somerville Road, Clady, Strabane

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of the Derry City and Strabane District Council,
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RIVERINE Community Park

Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 and The Planning (Development Management) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 (regulation 5 (2)(b))
PRE-APPLICATION PUBLIC CONSULTATION (RE-CONSULTATION)
Derry City & Strabane District Council are in the process of developing plans for the eastern portion of the exciting new 'Riverine Community Park' in Strabane, along with their partners in Donegal County Council. The proposal will see the development of a new community park incorporating the preservation of protected wetland areas to be used for educational and environmental purposes, planting, walking and cycling trails and a new footbridge to the western side of the park currently being planned by Donegal County Council. Since the initial Pre-application Public Consultation exercises undertaken in June 2021 and February 2022, it has been necessary to make a number of changes to the design layout.
Proposal
Development of the eastern portion of the new Riverine Community Park (i.e., that area of the development falling within the Derry City & Strabane District Council area), including open space, wetland areas, pedestrian and cycle access, and a new footbridge across the River Foyle.
Location of Proposed Development
Vacant land adjacent to and north-west of the A5 (Barnhill Road) and east of Park Road, Strabane.
Consultation
As part of this process, Derry City & Strabane District Council wish to formally invite you to view the proposed amendments to the plans and to let them know if you have any comments on the revised proposal. The plans can be viewed on the following website between the dates of 01 December 2022 and 09 December 2022:
www.riverine-planning-consultation.com
A public consultation event will be held on Thursday 1st December 2022 3-5pm and 6-8pm, at the following location:
DCSDC Council Offices, 47 Derry Road, Strabane, BT82 8DY
Further information relating to the proposals may be obtained from Resolve Planning & Development, Innovation Factory, Forthriver Business Park, 385 Springfield Road, Belfast BT12 7DG. If you wish to make comments on the proposal you may do so via the above website and/or in writing to Resolve Planning & Development. Comments to be received no later than Friday 09 December 2022. Comments should not be made to the Planning Department at Derry City & Strabane District Council. When the amended proposals are subsequently submitted to Derry City & Strabane District Council's Planning Department, normal neighbour notification and publicity will be undertaken at that time and you will have the opportunity to make formal representation regarding the proposal at that time.

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Appendix 5: Stage 1 & Stage 2 Consultation Events Public Information Boards

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Welcome



Owenreagh/ Craignagapple Wind Farm



Introduction

Ørsted is developing this project to repower the existing Owenreagh I & II wind farms and to modify and expand the consented Craignagapple wind farm scheme. The proposed new development involves removing the 15 existing turbines at Owenreagh I & II wind farms and installing 15 taller, more efficient and modern turbines at the site.

The layout design process has commenced, and environmental and other studies are ongoing. The design process is iterative with important inputs from environmental studies, engineering studies, planning policy considerations, commercial studies and engagement with local communities and stakeholders.

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Ørsted is a developer, long-term owner and operator of renewable energy assets. Our vision is a world that runs entirely on green energy. Headquartered in Denmark, Ørsted employs 6,500 people in 14 countries around the world with over 4.7GW of operating wind, solar and storage assets.

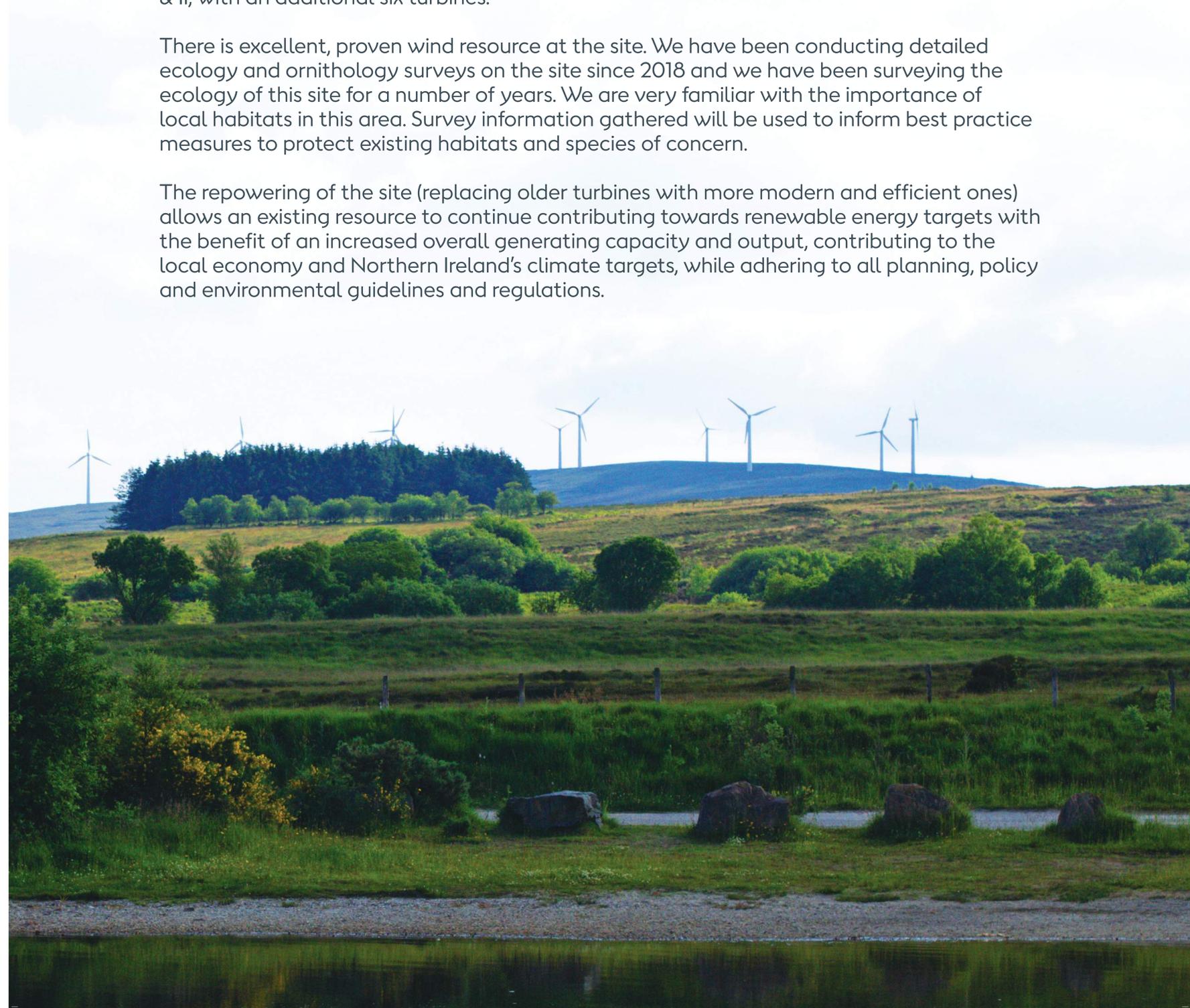
Ørsted's onshore Ireland and Northern Ireland portfolio consists of over 332MW of operating wind capacity, including Owenreagh I & II and the consented Craignagapple Wind Farm.

Why have you selected this site?

We have a long history at this site, Owenreagh I Wind Farm has been operating for almost 25 years. Since then, we have also built Owenreagh II which has been operating since 2008 and we have planning permission for Craignagapple Wind Farm, adjacent to Owenreagh I & II, with an additional six turbines.

There is excellent, proven wind resource at the site. We have been conducting detailed ecology and ornithology surveys on the site since 2018 and we have been surveying the ecology of this site for a number of years. We are very familiar with the importance of local habitats in this area. Survey information gathered will be used to inform best practice measures to protect existing habitats and species of concern.

The repowering of the site (replacing older turbines with more modern and efficient ones) allows an existing resource to continue contributing towards renewable energy targets with the benefit of an increased overall generating capacity and output, contributing to the local economy and Northern Ireland's climate targets, while adhering to all planning, policy and environmental guidelines and regulations.



Owenreagh/ Craignagapple Wind Farm



Climate Change

In February 2020, the Northern Ireland Assembly declared a “Climate Emergency” and called for immediate actions to cut carbon emissions. One of the key ways to achieve this is by increasing the proportion of renewable energy in the electricity sector. Wind turbines harness the power of the wind to generate renewable electricity. Wind power is clean, cost effective and does the same job as fossil fuels but generates less waste. In addition, the cost of energy from wind farms is now extremely competitive and ranks amongst the cheapest forms of electricity.

Northern Ireland has one of Europe’s strongest wind resources creating significant potential for the deployment of wind power to increase the proportion of energy produced from renewable sources. For the year up to November 2020, 49.4% of total electricity consumption in Northern Ireland was generated from renewable sources located in Northern Ireland, the highest rolling twelve-month period to date. Wind energy contributed almost 85%¹ of all renewable electricity during this period.

The Department for the Economy’s new Energy Strategy places a strong emphasis on increasing renewable electricity generation and the Economy Minister has said the next target for Northern Ireland should be at least 70% renewable generation by 2030.

Owenreagh I & II Wind Farms have made an important contribution to Northern Ireland’s Renewable Energy targets and low carbon objectives to date, and we are seeking to secure and build on this contribution. The Development will contribute over 50 MW to the Northern Ireland Energy Strategy renewable electricity 2030 target.

¹ <https://www.economy-ni.gov.uk/articles/electricity-consumption-and-renewable-generation-statistics>



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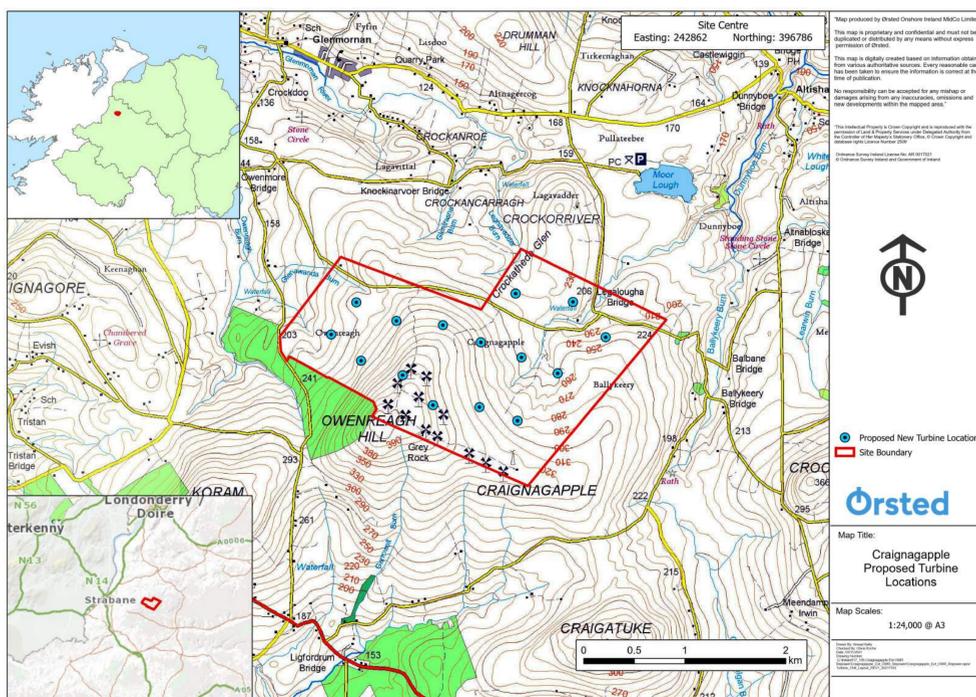
Proposed Site Layout and Location

The proposed wind farm development is located on the eastern edge of the Sperrin Mountains on Owenreagh Hill, approximately 6 km south east of Artigarvan village, Co. Tyrone. It lies within the Derry City and Strabane District Council ("DCSDC") area. It consists of 15 new wind turbines, with the existing 15 turbines at the operational Owenreagh I & II wind farms being removed.

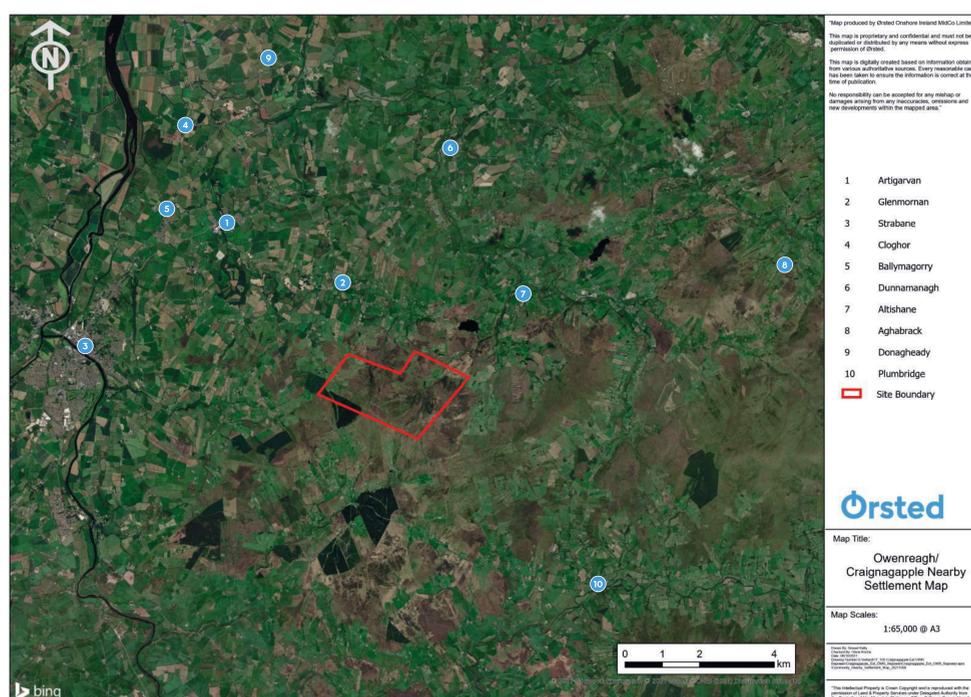
We are currently considering the parameters of the new wind turbines. We are considering the suitability of turbines ranging from 150m to 160m tip height. The final turbine dimensions will be informed by the environmental surveys at the site and ongoing pre-planning application consultations with the Department for Infrastructure, the local community and statutory consultees.

Site Location:

The map below shows the location of the site in Northern Ireland, County Tyrone and within the local area. It also shows the proposed positions of the turbines.



This map shows the location of the site in relation to nearby towns and villages.



Owenreagh/ Craignagapple Wind Farm



Benefit to the local community

Wind Farms offer a number of benefits to the local community including community benefit funds, job and contracting opportunities, and habitat conservation and management.

Community benefit fund:

Ørsted will be putting in place a community benefit fund (CBF) valued at £5,000/MW per year from the first year of operation of the new wind farm. Depending on the installed capacity this will amount to £250k-£360k per year for initiatives that benefit the local community.

The funds are usually managed by an independent organisation who set up a local committee which decides on how and to whom the funds are distributed. Therefore, people living near the wind farm will be actively involved in the management of the fund.

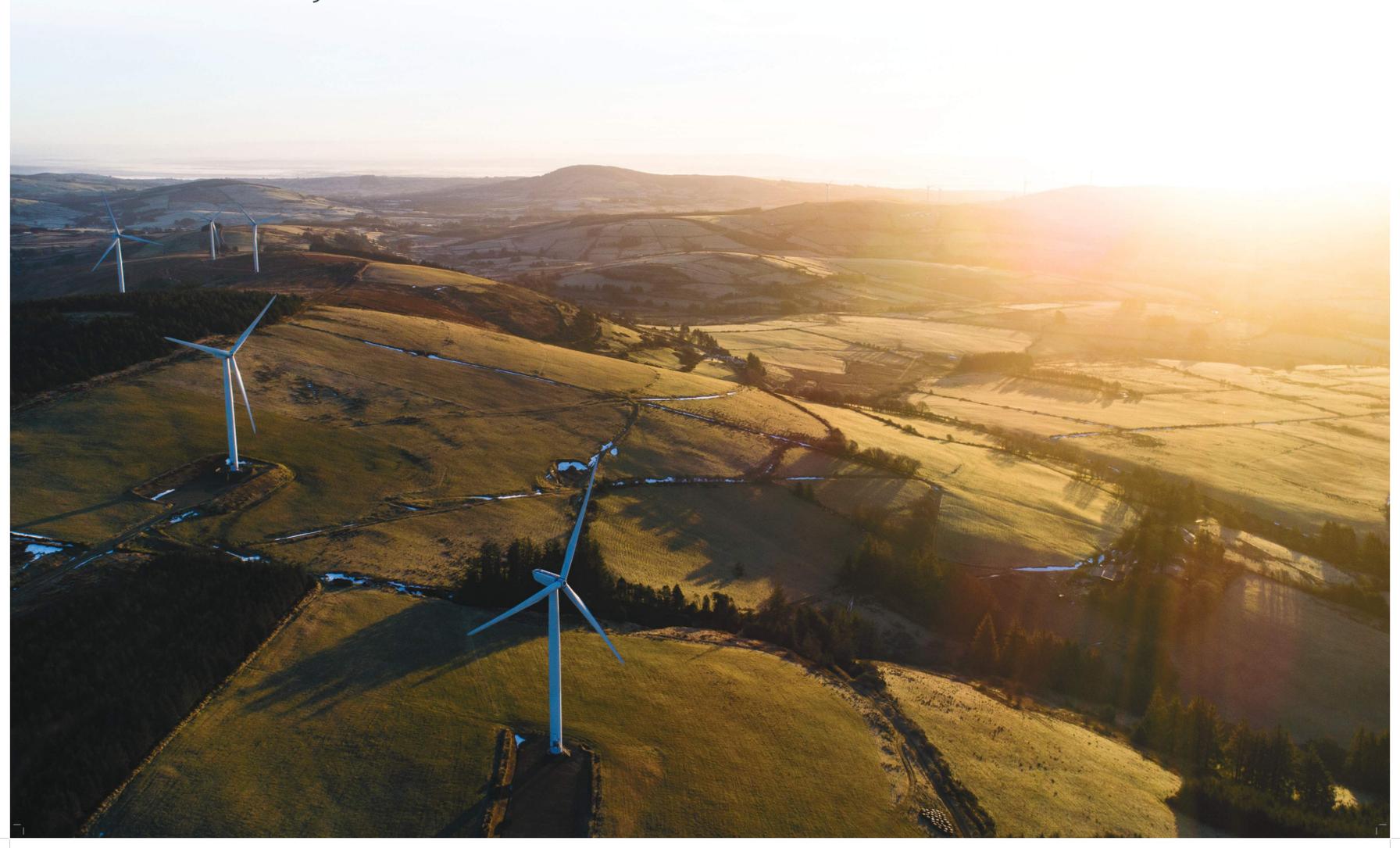
Some examples of use of CBFs include support for community broadband initiatives for rural areas (Gneeves Wind Farm CBF in County Kerry supported upgrading existing masts and receivers in the local area); support for local sports clubs (Owenreagh Wind Farm CBF has provided funding to help Owen Roes GAC purchase and repair the former St Joseph's School in Glenmornan); and support for tourism/leisure initiatives (Sorne/Flughland Wind Farms CBF supported the creation of a walking trail in the Inishowen peninsula in County Donegal).

Job and contracting opportunities:

The construction and operation of the wind farm will create jobs and offer local contractors and suppliers the opportunity to bid for contracts. More information on this process will be provided at the second community consultation event which will be held in 2022. We are also planning to hold a "Meet the Buyers" event in 2022, to give local contractors the opportunity to find out how to get involved.

Habitat Conservation and management:

As part of the planning application, Ørsted will be submitting a Conservation Habitat Management Plan outlining our plans to protect and restore important habitats in and surrounding the wind farm, and our measures to enhance biodiversity. This is likely to include creating suitable breeding habitats for local bird species and improving peat and blanket bog in and around the wind farm.



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Environmental Impact Assessment

The planning application for the wind farm requires an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) to be undertaken. The EIA will record the baseline environmental conditions for the site and predict how they will be affected by the construction, operation, and decommissioning of the wind farm.

EIA is an iterative process and will identify areas of environmental sensitivity which will inform the wind farm design dictating where turbines, and associated infrastructure, may be located in order to minimise any environmental effects.

Wind farm planning applications must submit the work undertaken for the Environmental Impact Assessment, and the results or conclusions drawn, in an Environmental Statement (ES). Once a final layout is confirmed, the potential impact of each turbine and the full wind farm is defined. This is reviewed across each topic of the Environmental Statement and appropriate decisions are made surrounding amendments to design or mitigating strategies where required.

The project's Environmental Statement will cover a number of topics, including:

- **Landscape & Visual Assessment;**
- **Ornithology (Birds);**
- **Ecology;**
- **Geology & Peat;**
- **Hydrology & Hydrogeology;**
- **Archaeology & Cultural Heritage;**
- **Noise;**
- **Traffic & Transport;**
- **Land Use, Socio- Economics & Tourism; and**
- **Other Issues including Shadow Flicker, Telecommunications, Human Health including Safety and Climate Change.**

It should also be noted that each environmental subject area will, unless otherwise agreed with consultees, undertake a cumulative assessment to understand the effects of the wind farm in combination with other wind farms nearby.

Some of these are examined in more detail in the following banners. If you would like to find out more about any of these topics, please let us know.



Noise & Shadow Flicker

Noise:

Noise considerations will be important throughout the wind farm design process. There are stringent guidelines on wind turbines and noise emissions to ensure the protection of local residents. Wind turbines will either be located sufficiently away from noise sensitive receptors, such as residential properties, to ensure noise levels are within the permitted limits, or reduced turbine noise modes will be employed to comply with the noise limits.

An assessment of noise levels, in accordance with best practice, will be undertaken throughout the planning process and design of the proposed wind farm site. Noise impacts are examined for the entire wind farm process including construction, operation, and decommissioning. This allows us to design a project which will comply with all current planning policy (Strategic Planning Policy Statement and PPS18) and wind energy guidelines (ETSU-R-97 and a Good Practice Guide to the application of ETSU-R-97). If the increase in noise due to the wind farm exceeds the allowed noise limits, the wind farm design and operation will be adjusted to ensure compliance with the noise limits.

The noise impact assessment and any proposed operational adjustments will be fully informed by regular consultation with the Environmental Health Department and will be submitted with the planning application.

Shadow Flicker:

Shadow Flicker is the effect of light levels in a sunlit room noticeably varying as a result of the shadow of a turbine blade passing a window, causing a nuisance. It only occurs at certain times of the year and under certain conditions.

For shadow flicker to occur:

- **There must be a sufficient level of sunlight shining at a low angle in the sky;**
- **The turbine needs to be directly between the sun and the dwelling, and;**
- **The blades must be turning with nothing obscuring the view.**

A shadow flicker assessment will be undertaken once a final turbine layout has been agreed. This will assess properties closest to the development, in line with national and local guidance. This assessment will be included in the planning application.

Current guidance states shadow flicker effects should not exceed a maximum of 30 minutes a day or 30 hours per year. If it is determined that shadow flicker will impact a property for longer periods of time than this, the wind farm operation will be adjusted to reduce it (i.e. the turbines causing the problem will be turned off during instances of shadow flicker).



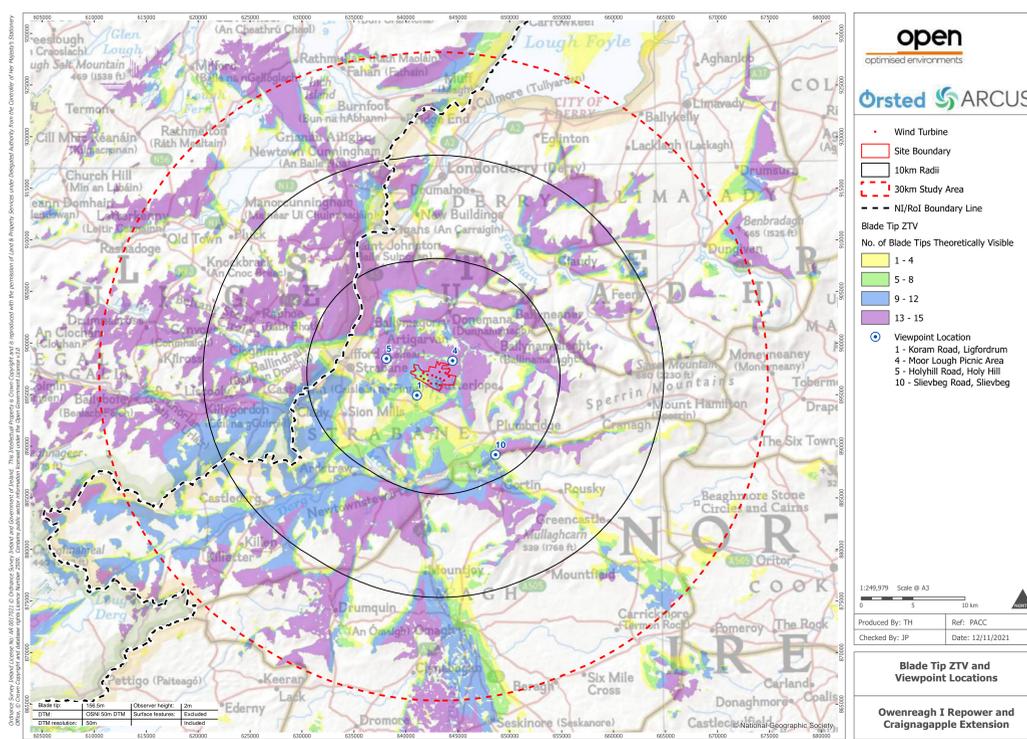
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Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment

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A zone of theoretical visibility (ZTV) is first produced outlining which project elements will be visible from various areas of the local landscape within a 30km radius of the site (see image below). Note this is a worst-case scenario and in reality visibility will be lower from many locations.



Photomontages are then produced from key areas identified in the ZTV to show what the proposed project will look like from local towns and villages as well as other points of interest. Photomontages have computer generated images of turbines accurately placed into actual photography that has been taken from agreed viewpoint locations surrounding the proposed wind farm. These photomontages will present the wind farm against the existing landscape, allowing the reader and decision makers to fully understand how the wind farm will look within the landscape.

In the photomontage viewer in this exhibition room, you will be able to see a selection of the photomontages from some key viewpoints. We have assumed a turbine tip height of 156.5m for these images. It is important to note the layout at this stage is not fixed, and turbine numbers and locations may change pending the outcome of all environmental surveys, and consultation with DfI, statutory consultees and local residents. Further viewpoints will be presented at the next community consultation event in 2022 along with the final proposed turbine locations.



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Ecology & Peat

Ecology:

Ecological data is currently being collected through a variety of surveys, including:

- **Habitat surveys**
- **Bat surveys**
- **Bird surveys**
- **Mammal surveys**
- **Aquatic habitat surveys**

Data collected from these surveys will be considered as the ecological baseline and therefore the basis of the ecological impact assessment contained within the EIA. Amongst others, the ecological assessment will be based on, and in line with, guidance published by the Chartered Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management (CIEEM), the Northern Ireland Environment Agency and NatureScot.

The assessment will consider the potential direct, indirect and cumulative effects that the construction and operation of the wind farm development could have on birds, bats, mammals, habitats and aquatic habitats. This project will be screened for Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) to ensure that it is in line with the requirements of the Habitats and Birds Directives, as well as NI legislation.

Peat:

Geological and peat assessment are being undertaken across the site. Peat probing, as well as dipwell monitoring, are ongoing to inform the geological/peat and active peat baselines respectively. The purpose of the peat probing and active peat assessment is to avoid locating turbines on areas of deep or active peat.

It has been confirmed that active peat is present on site. We have undertaken habitat surveys to identify peat locations which has helped influence our initial turbine locations. Turbines may be moved from their current proposed locations once the full suite of baseline surveys and monitoring has been carried out.

In addition, a peat slide risk assessment will be carried out to ensure there is no risk of a peat slide event during construction or operation of the wind farm.



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Archaeology & Cultural Heritage

A cultural heritage and archaeological assessment will be undertaken as part of the environmental impact assessment and will be included in the environmental statement.

The assessment will consider direct, indirect (largely visual changes to the surrounding landscape) and cumulative effects as a result of the wind farm development upon the following:

- **Archaeology - above and below ground, designated or not. Consideration will be given to the potential for currently unknown (buried) archaeological remains to exist within the site; and**
- **Cultural Heritage – world heritage sites, scheduled monuments, listed buildings, and registered historic parks, gardens and demesnes, conservation areas and assets in state care**

It will consider whether or not their cultural significance is affected by the wind farm. This assessment will be undertaken using baseline photography and photomontages, similar to the LVIA.

A Study Area of 1 km from the site, will be used to collect data, both designated and non-designated, to inform the archaeological potential of the site. An extended 5 km study area from the site for designated heritage assets, will be used to assess the setting of statutory designated assets within the site and surrounding landscape.

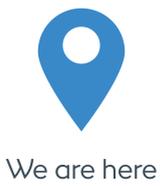
A Desk-Based Assessment (DBA) of cultural heritage records in and around the development has been undertaken. The DBA will be augmented by a walkover survey to provide information on the archaeological potential of the site and to validate the documentary evidence. The wind farm design will avoid any physical impact on the archaeological features in and around the site.



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Project Timeline



Planning Application Process

In May 2021, the Department for Infrastructure (“DfI Planning”) confirmed that they will be responsible for determining the planning application. We are at the pre-application stage and are undertaking consultations with DfI Planning and their statutory consultees on a range of planning and environmental issues.

We are also carrying out pre-application community consultations. This is the first of two planned community consultation events to update local communities on the project and seek feedback on the project design as it evolves. We are aiming to submit the planning application in Summer 2022. Upon receipt of the planning application, DfI Planning will start the formal planning application determination process.

Overview of Planning Application Process:



Owenreagh/ Craignagapple Wind Farm



Introduction

In November 2021 we presented the preliminary wind farm design layout to the local community via a leaflet distributed to all houses within 3km of the wind farm, in-person community events and a virtual exhibition space. We had the opportunity to meet some of the local residents and get their feedback on the proposed wind farm design.

Since then, the project team has been busy completing the environmental and other studies to inform the layout design. We have also been consulting with DfI Planning and statutory consultees including Environmental Health (noise), NIEA-NED (ecology including peat), Geological Society of Northern Ireland (peat slide risk assessment) and Landscape Architects Branch (landscape and visual impact).

Following an iterative design process with important inputs from environmental studies, engineering studies, planning policy considerations, commercial studies and engagement with local communities and stakeholders, we are ready to share the wind farm design proposed to be submitted for assessment to the planning authority. We want the local community to have the opportunity to provide feedback on the wind farm design and we will consider the community response in detail.

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Ørsted's onshore Ireland and Northern Ireland portfolio consists of over 332MW of operating wind capacity, including Owenreagh I & II, and the consented Craignagapple Wind Farm.

Ørsted has extensive experience in the design, construction and operation of wind energy developments in Ireland and Northern Ireland. The project team for the proposed Owenreagh/Craignagapple Wind Farm project includes a project manager from Ørsted and two community liaison officers as well as a number of specialists in the areas of environmental impact assessments, grid, planning and wind resource.



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Climate Change

Northern Ireland's first law to tackle climate change, the 'Climate Change Act (Northern Ireland) 2022'¹, received Royal Assent on 6 June 2022. The Act aims to have Northern Ireland play its part in the global and UK effort to tackle climate change by creating a framework that will establish a pathway to achieving emission reductions targets. This will help to ensure that Northern Ireland develops a greener, low carbon circular economy in which the environment can prosper and be protected. The Act includes a target for net-zero emissions by 2050 as well as a set of interim targets for 2030 and 2040 for reducing greenhouse gas emissions in Northern Ireland.

The recently adopted Northern Ireland Energy Strategy (Department for Economy) contains an ambitious 70% renewable electricity target by 2030, with flexibility to increase this target if it is achieved. One of the key ways to achieve this target is by increasing the proportion of renewable energy in the electricity sector. Wind turbines harness the power of the wind to generate renewable electricity. Wind power is clean, cost effective and does the same job as fossil fuels but generates less waste. The recent energy crisis has highlighted our over-reliance on fossil fuels from overseas. Installing wind farms such as this one, will help to secure Northern Ireland's energy independence and help to shield us from excessive fossil fuel prices.

Owenreagh I & II Wind Farms have made an important contribution to Northern Ireland's Renewable Energy targets and low carbon objectives to date, and through this project we are seeking to secure and build on this contribution. We will be reusing an existing site, and reutilising its existing infrastructure, such as access roads, wherever possible. Repowering the existing operational windfarms in this way will not only help maintain the level of renewables generation in Northern Ireland but will add to the further decarbonisation of the power sector and help realise the Net Zero targets.

¹ <https://cedrec.com/legislation/56074/overview>



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Benefit to the local community

Community benefit fund

Ørsted will be putting in place a community benefit fund (CBF) valued at £5,000 per year for every unit (MW) of installed power from the first year of operation of the new wind farm. If the final project design gets consented this will equate to a fund of between £280k-£360k per annum (depending on the turbine power available at construction).

The funds are usually managed by an independent organisation, who set up a local committee which decides on how and to whom the funds are distributed.

The existing Owenreagh Wind Farms' Community Benefit Fund has supported a number of local initiatives including Owen Roes' GAA Club, Clann na nGael GAA Club and installation of a defibrillator at Tristan Road, Ewish.



Members of the local Ewish Community with Kellie Rouse representing Ørsted at the new Defibrillator which is located at 11 Tristan Road, Ewish, Strabane, BT82 8NG. Pictured L-R: Elaine Sproule McKenna, Mary McCrossan, Rosemary McCrossan, James McCrossan, Kellie Rouse (Ørsted), Geraldine Boggs, Paddy Joe McCrossan and Pearl Sproule.



Kellie Rouse representing Ørsted making the Community Benefit Fund donation to Clann na nGael Youth Player Dearbhaile Sproule. Pictured Left to Right are Clann na nGael members Aoibhin Sproule, Conleith McAleer, Dearbhaile Sproule, Kellie Rouse (Ørsted), Dara Sproule and Conor Sproule.



L-R Roisin Toner, Sean Fullerton (Termon Community Responders), Barbara Jansen, Cormac McCrossan, Geraldine Gallagher, Patrick Casey, Patrick Hughes (Termon Community Responders), Leslie Buchanan, Ruth Buchanan.



Noeleen Dooher, Carmel O'Donnell, Majella Farrell.



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Benefit to the local community

Job and contracting opportunities

The construction and operation of the wind farm will create jobs and contracting opportunities. As part of the tender for the wind farm construction, successful bidders will have to commit to holding a “Meet the Suppliers” event for local businesses and contractors, informing them of how they can bid to provide goods and services for the construction and operation of the wind farm.

Habitat conservation and management

As part of the planning application, Ørsted will submit a Habitat Management Plan (HMP) outlining our plans to protect and restore important habitats around the wind farm and our measures to enhance biodiversity.

Measures include peat restoration which is being designed in collaboration with Dr Raymond Flynn from Queen’s University Belfast, an expert in this field. As part of the HMP, we will explore novel and innovative ways to restore peat on upland areas. The results of which should prove very valuable for peat restoration across Northern Ireland.

In addition to peat restoration, we are currently surveying the site to identify suitable locations for improving breeding and foraging habitats for a number of important bird species including merlin, snipe, red grouse, meadow pipit and skylark waders, and other birds whose habitats are in decline. We are also looking into further habitat enhancement options for bats, mammals, reptiles, amphibians and invertebrates across the wind farm site.

Habitat management measures have been discussed with Northern Ireland Environment Agency – Natural Environment Division (NIEA-NED) and will be described in detail in the planning application.



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Environmental Impact Assessment

The planning application for the wind farm requires an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) to be undertaken. As part of the EIA, we recorded the baseline environmental conditions for the site. This work is almost complete. Work to finally predict how they will be affected by the construction, operation, and decommissioning of the wind farm is ongoing.

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Now that the proposed planning layout is confirmed, the potential impact of each turbine and the full wind farm can be defined in the ES which is currently being prepared by the wider project team.

The project's Environmental Statement will cover a number of topics, including:

- **Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment**
- **Archaeology and Cultural Heritage**
- **Hydrology and Hydrogeology**
- **Geology and Peat**
- **Ecology**
- **Ornithology**
- **Noise**
- **Traffic and Transport**
- **Land Use, Socio-Economics and Tourism**
- **Climate Change and Carbon Balance**
- **Other Issues: Shadow Flicker, Telecommunications & Utilities, Aviation, and Health & Safety (Including: Major Accidents & Disasters)**

It should also be noted that each environmental subject area will undertake a cumulative assessment to understand the effects of the wind farm in combination with other wind farms nearby.

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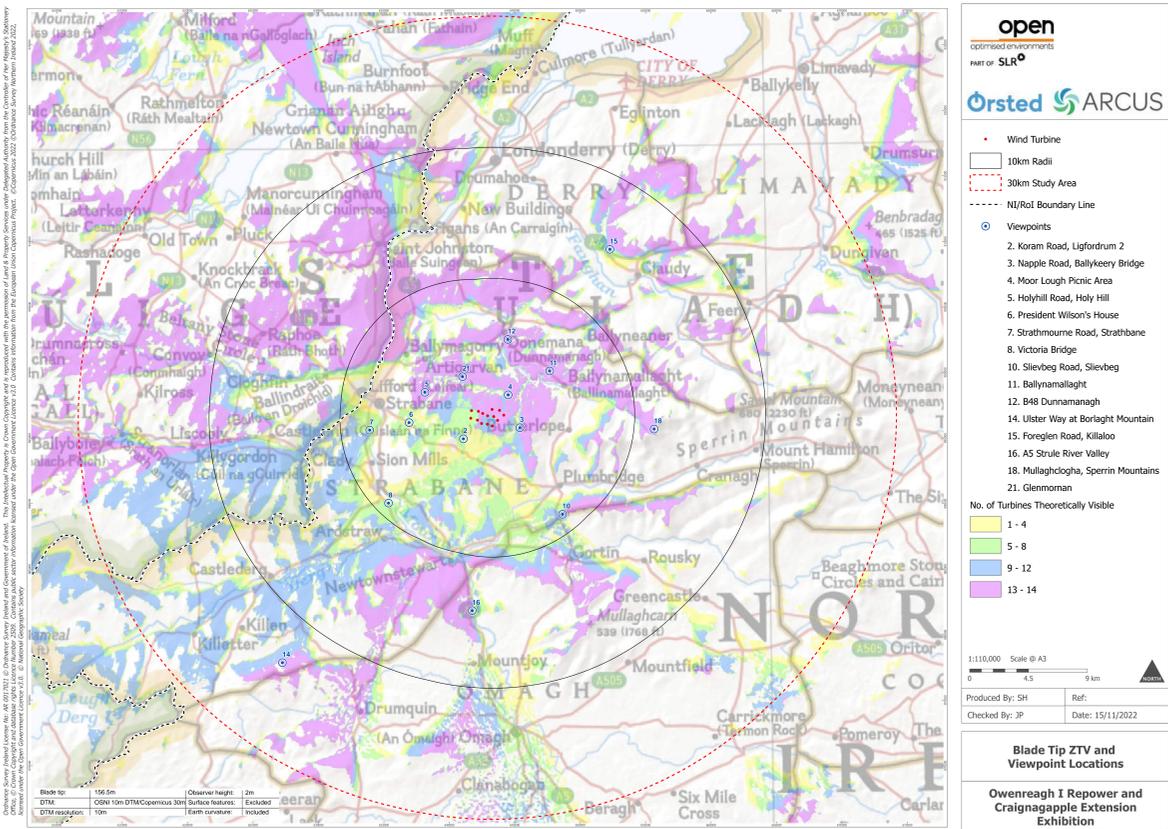
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Noise

Noise was an important consideration throughout the wind farm design process. At the project consultation event in November 2021, there was a lot of interest in how the residential amenity of the local residents would be protected during the future wind farm operation. We are keen to provide more information on the subject of noise.

How do wind turbines produce noise?

Wind turbines produce noise during operation, primarily aerodynamic noise resulting from the blades passing through the air, and the level of noise varies depending on how fast the blades are turning. Modern wind turbines typically produce less noise than older models, despite their larger size, as technological advancements mean they are designed such that the blades pass more smoothly through the air and create less disturbance in their wake (which is what generates the majority of the noise). In addition to this, as a result of the larger turbines needing to be spaced further apart, the majority of turbines will be located at a greater distance from the nearest residential properties compared to older, smaller turbines (which are often more closely spaced).

How is noise from wind farms controlled?

There are stringent guidelines on wind turbines and noise emissions to ensure the protection of residential amenity.

Assessments are undertaken of noise levels at representative locations locally to determine the impact of the wind farm operation at these locations. If the increase in noise due to the wind farm exceeds the allowed noise limits, the wind farm design and operation are adjusted to bring the noise levels back to within the limits.

What about this wind farm?

Assessments of noise levels, in accordance with best practice, were undertaken throughout the planning process and design of the proposed wind farm site. Meetings were held with Environmental Health Officers to discuss the methodology used in these assessments. This allowed us to design a project which is expected to comply with all current planning policy (Strategic Planning Policy Statement and PPS18) and wind energy guidelines (ETSU-R-97 and The Institute of Acoustics' Good Practice Guide to the application of ETSU-R-97).

A detailed assessment will be carried out for the Environmental Statement covering noise impacts for the entire wind farm process including construction, operation, and decommissioning. If the increase in noise due to the wind farm exceeds the allowed noise limits, the wind farm operation will be adjusted to ensure compliance with the noise limits. Any proposed operational adjustments will be submitted with the planning application.

If during operation the turbine noise is considered unacceptable, this can be raised directly with the Derry City & Strabane District Council's Environmental Health Office who will liaise with Ørsted to investigate the complaint.



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Ecology & Peat

Ecology:

We recognise that there is a lot of community interest in the local ecology of the wind farm site, and that the community has an important role in the stewardship of the land. This was conveyed at the consultation events in November 2021.

We have conducted extensive ecology surveys on this site over the past four years, including:

- **Habitat surveys**
- **Bat surveys**
- **Bird surveys**
- **Mammal surveys**
- **Aquatic habitat surveys**

Data collected from these surveys strongly influenced the wind farm design. Care was taken with the siting of the infrastructure to protect the flora and fauna on site.

A number of important bird species were identified across the site. Careful consideration has been taken to avoid any impacts of development for these species, and instead improve the habitat within the area as part of the Habitat Management Plan.

Peat:

Peat has been one of the main constraints in designing the layout of the scheme. Detailed hydrology and ecology surveys including peat probing, dipwell monitoring and vegetation classification were conducted to assess the status of the peat on site. We have undertaken habitat surveys to identify peat locations, and detailed peat probing to measure the depth of peat across the site and in particular areas where infrastructure is planned. The depths found have ranged from 0 m to 4.3 m with almost 75% of the areas probed being less than 1.5 m deep and 90% of the areas being less than 2 m deep.

Detailed maps of peat depth and peat condition (from active peat to inactive peat) were produced to avoid locating turbines and associated infrastructure on the deepest areas of peat or active peat. This has resulted in the need for seven separate entrances as it was not possible to locate internal roads between the turbines without impacting active peat.

In addition, a peat slide risk assessment was carried out to determine the potential risk of a peat slide event during construction or operation of the wind farm. Geological Survey of Northern Ireland were consulted during this process. Mitigation measures, informed by best practice, will be put in place across the site to ensure the risk of a peat slide event due to construction of the wind farm is minimised.



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Project Timeline



Spring 2023

Planning application to be submitted to the Department for Infrastructure



November 2022

Further community consultation public events to take place



November 2021

First community consultation public events took place to share initial design with local community



May 2021

DfI deemed the project to be regionally significant



May 2020

Additional ecological studies commenced



March 2018

General ecological studies began in the wider study area

Winter 2022/23

Planning application amalgamation and review



Summer/ Autumn 2022

Final wind farm design to be completed (incorporating survey findings and feedback)



July 2021

Detailed environmental and engineering studies began



April 2021

Environmental assessment and planning team appointed



March 2020

Required two-year ecological studies completed



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Planning Application Process

In May 2021, the Department for Infrastructure (“DfI Planning”) confirmed that they will be responsible for determining the planning application. We have undertaken a number of consultations with DfI Planning and their statutory consultees on a range of planning and environmental issues.

We are aiming to submit the planning application in Spring 2023. Upon receipt of the planning application, DfI Planning will start the formal planning application determination process. Following the submission of the planning application to DfI Planning, the full suite of planning application documents will be available to view on the DfI Planning website:

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/finding-planning-application>²

Members of the public can make comments/ submissions in respect of the planning application directly to DfI Planning. DfI Planning will review the submission and will consider the issues raised as part of their planning assessment and decision-making process on the planning application.

²The address of the DfI planning website may be subject to change after the update to the planning portal website which is ongoing.

Overview of Planning Application Process:




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