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4th February 2014

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Dear Mr Forbes,

Planning Application P13/1859: South Lasts Farm: erection of a second wind turbine with ancillary equipment and access track.

This application was discussed briefly by the members of Culter Community Council (CCC) at their meeting. The Chairperson proposed, and the members agreed, that since the position of this 2nd turbine was being moved only some ten metres distance from its original site in Application P131122 then all the points made in CCC's original letter of objection remained relevant. CCC's new Planning Liaison Officer (Mr Brian Yule) agreed. Due to unforeseen circumstances however Mr Yule has been unable to do this and the Chairperson has asked me to send to you CCC's strong objections to this application (P131859) as they had to the previous one (P131122) and also to the application (P120166) to the first turbine now approved. They are as follows.

The members consider that the first turbine may have been accepted as a diversification of farm business with the potential to provide electricity far in excess of the farm's needs and the surplus being sold to the National Grid. The application for a second turbine however we consider to be a commercial/industrial enterprise solely to provide electricity for sale to the Grid with Aberdeen City Council being the primary applicant along with the farmers trading as G and B Renewable Ltd.

In considering the application and supporting documents, we find that numerous policies within the Local Development Plan (LDP) as well Scottish Government Planning Policy (SPP) will be contravened. Our overriding concerns and objections however relate to the safety of the B979 road users which we consider has not been properly and fully addressed – possibly because it does not fit into any direct policy in the LDP or SPP.

Road Safety: (cf. Policy R8 WED points 3 and 4; Renewable Energy)

The B979 is a narrow secondary winding road without pavements which has been heavily used as the Aberdeen bypass for some 25-30 years by HGVs (10-12% of the traffic) as well as cars, vans and commuters who wish to skirt around Aberdeen or to move north or south without entering the city. The chosen site for this proposed turbine will lie some 400 metres (m) to the east of the road. Its access track will join the B979 some 200/250m from the junction of the access road to the small North Lasts community but which, more importantly, serves Leith's Sand and Gravel Quarry, well used by lorries transporting much needed construction material. This section of the road (from the bridge over the Ord Dam and Burn, round two fairly blind bends near the quarry entrance and the proposed new access track to as far south as the entrance to Denmill has been the scene of various, often serious, accidents in the past, at least one being fatal. To add the distraction of a massive turbine at this point very much increases our concerns on the safety of this section of the road.

In the Supporting Environmental Document (pages 49 and 50) the consultants state that "for two houses on the west side of the B979 the occupants will experience major visual impact in some rooms with the turbine being very visible in the nearby skyline" and "a degree of visual complexity and confusion would arise with the proposed turbine, the already consented turbine and pylons also in the wider view". They classed this as 'major' and 'significant'. They also stated that "the same effects would be true for motorists on the B979 while travelling for 1.5 km in either direction" but classed this only as 'moderate to major' and of 'borderline significance' because of a 'shorter duration time'. It is our contention however that drivers often have to judge and act swiftly to remain safe/avoid an accident on this section of the road and cannot afford, or be subject to, additional distractions/hazards. The classification for drivers should be 'major' and 'significant' at least.

Another possible hazard for drivers in this same section of the road is the potential for shadow flicker. In their use of software in a desktop study in their Supporting Environmental Document the consultants show (p 93 Fig 10) a significant section of the B979 lies within the theoretical shadow flicker area. This area also borders for some distance along the access road to the Quarry and the North Lasts small community. This is not mentioned in the discussion. Only the effects on the residents of the South Lasts houses to the east of the B979 are considered.

We would also point out that for drivers passing the turbine it will be standing in their peripheral vision which is many times more sensitive to motion than direct vision so that normal blade movement may prove distracting let alone shadow flicker.

The supporting documentation for the consented (first) turbine at South Lasts (which will stand at ~1.4 km distance from the B979) quoted a study (Schreuder, 1992) on two accidents "in the vicinity of wind turbines" where the advice given was that "turbines should not be located in places where the driver needs to pay great attention." It takes only one driver to be momentarily distracted to cause an accident.

The consultants have only considered the visual impact on drivers in their supporting document, not the cumulative effects of all potential hazards additional to those already existing for this 'country road' heavily used by HGVs, cars and vans as Aberdeen's bypass. It is our contention this needs to be addressed before this application is considered.

As well as our objection to this application on the grounds of Road Safety we strongly object to the disregard for policy in the LDP (and SPP) as follows:

Policy NE 2: Green Belt

This application is contrary to the Green Belt policy in the LDP. It cannot be classed as essential for agriculture or for recreational uses compatible with agriculture. Nor does it satisfy any of the permissible exceptions listed in NE 2.1 a, b, c or d, or in NE 2.2. The proposal may be *within the farm boundary* (1a) but at 86 metres in height, will not be *small scale* (1b), its *activity* will be *intense*

where none existed before (1c) and the turbine cannot be counted as *ancillary* to the farm business, when a turbine of this capacity is intended to export electricity to the Grid (1d) for another partner. Neither can the proposal be classed as essential infrastructure (NE 2.2) when it is obviously a commercial venture, to which there are several alternatives. To permit this development would not only be contrary to the LDP, but would also open up the Green Belt to sporadic development of wind turbines.

Policy NE 1: Green Space Network

The LDP Policy NE 1 para.1, states that “the City Council will protect, promote and enhance the wildlife, recreational, landscape and access value of the Green Space Network (and therefore Green Belt) to which proposals for developments that are likely to destroy or erode its character or function will not be permitted.” This is reinforced by Scottish Planning Policy: paras.149 & 150 and the Land Reform Act. The area around the site is well used by local residents for informal leisure (one of the purposes of the Green Belt and Green Space network). Granting permission will therefore go against these policies.

Policy NE 9: Access and Informal Recreation

The LDP states that “new development should not compromise the integrity of existing or potential recreational opportunities, including access rights, core paths, other paths and rights of way.” Coupled with the first turbine (already under construction) this turbine will further erode, even prevent, the recreational use of the area by its size, its very loud noise and disturbing effect in peripheral vision.

Policy NE 8: Natural Heritage

We are pleased to see this policy goes beyond protecting only designated sites as well as protected species (NE 8.4 “Natural heritage beyond the confines of designated sites should be protected and enhanced”) and also asks for “evidence of any adverse effects on protected species as well as the need for the development” (in NE 8.1). The environmental survey included in support of this application is quite comprehensive, but we are additionally aware of sightings of pipistrelle bats, merlins, barn owls and tawny owls around this site. The members are also concerned by emerging research on the effects of wind turbines on bats by the Bat Conservation Trust. This apparently shows the pressure differential close to the moving blades causes their lungs to collapse. The survey report also does not cover more subtle long-term effects on the flora, which have been observed by research over a 10 year period to change from temperate to sub-arctic species, through the cooling effect of the blades – and, importantly, the knock-on effects this may have on the food chain.

Policy D 6: Landscape

The aim of this policy (LDP para. 3.27) is to “protect, maintain and manage the natural topography and landscape of Aberdeen’s unique setting of rural, informal and formal open spaces,” in essence, the Green Belt. It also says “maintaining and managing aspects of this unique landscape is critical” The site proposed for this massive wind turbine contravenes the criteria and therefore raises our objections on several points:

- For people having to live in the vicinity of this proposed turbine their view of their landscape will be vastly changed
- It will not avoid “adversely affecting landscape character” and “sense of place for a particular part of Aberdeen”, namely the city approaches in Lower Deeside (D 6.1)
- It will obstruct important views of Deeside and the city surrounds from publicly accessible vantage points, recreation areas and pathways (D 6.2).
- It will be obstructive in the landscape views, not only for local residents, but also for visitors from Royal Deeside and the Cairngorm National Park, for a ½ km stretch of the A93, just outside Peterculter, which is the “western gateway” to the city. (D 6.2)
- It will cause, not avoid, disturbance or even loss of an important recreational resource (D 6.3) as described above (in Policies NE1 and NE 9).
- In addition, in the Landscape Strategy, it points to a general presumption against any development in the Green Belt which will affect landscape setting.

Policy R8: Renewable and Low Carbon Energy Developments

Comments on the negative effects on the local environment and landscape character (R8.1) and also on tourism (R8.3) have already been made under Policies NE1, NE9 and D6 above.

Comments on the significant negative effect on the amenity of nearby dwelling houses (R8.4) have already been made under Policies NE1, NE9 and D6 above.

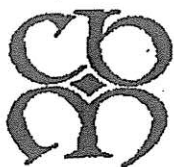
Policy R8: Wind Energy Developments (WED)

- R8 WED 1 Electromagnetic Interference. If this turbine is permitted and interference does occur to telecommunication and broadcasting installations then we ask that rapid and successful mitigation will be ensured through planning conditions and at no cost to those affected
- R8 WED 2 and 4 The Supporting Environmental Document (pp 49 and 50) states there will be significant cumulative effect (“degree of significant complexity and confusion”) especially for those dwelling within 10 rotor diameters of this proposed turbine and there would be the same effect on drivers on the B979 when travelling in either direction for approximately 1.5 km. (see further comments on Road Safety above).

Yours sincerely,

Lavina C Massie (Vice Chairperson) Culter Community Council

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28 January 2014

Dear Mr Forbes,

Planning Application 131859: Erection of 1 Wind Turbine and Ancillary Equipment South Lasts Farm

I am writing on behalf of the Cults Bieldside and Milltimber Community Council (CBMCC) to express our concerns regarding the proposed development. We believe the application should not be approved until the Aberdeen City Council has clarified its plans for approving the installation of wind turbines in and around South Lasts Farm. As noted in our letter relating to Application 131122, which has now been withdrawn, application 131859 relates to a second wind turbine to be installed at South Lasts Farm, with the first turbine (application 120166) being approved by ACC in August 2012. The community is concerned about a piecemeal approval of applications for individual turbines being made with an increasing impact on the local environment.

Specific objections relating to this proposal relate to the location of the wind turbine in the green belt which does not comply with Local Development Plan Policy R8, where the turbines have an adverse impact on the amenity of nearby dwelling houses. In addition, the location of a wind turbine at South Lasts Farm would potentially conflict with Policy NE9: Access and Informal Recreation and Policy D6: Landscape, with a potential for a cumulative effect on landscape and natural heritage. We note that these objections and other points raised by Community Councils in Kingswells and Peterculter regarding planning application 120166 were not accepted by the Aberdeen Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure team (no reasons given) but we raise them again regarding the current application 131859.

The Cults, Bieldside and Milltimber Community Council noted its concerns that approval of wind turbine application 120166 would lead to further applications in its letter dated 4 April 2012; this is now happening. The Community Council supports renewable energy and we believe the Aberdeen City Council should set out its policy for further wind turbine installations in the South Lasts Farm area for public review and comment before any additional proposals are approved.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Roberts

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Planning Liaison Officer

Copy to: Councillor Marie Boulton, Councillor Aileen Malone, Councillor Tauqeer Malik, Valerie Watts – Chief executive ACC

Robert Vickers

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Comment for Planning Application 131859

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Comment : Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to inform you of my objections to the proposed planning application Reference 131859 for a wind turbine at South Lasts Farm.

My principal objections are to the sheer scale of the proposed wind turbine with its overall height of circa 86.5 metres, its location with regards to the surrounding landscape and its proximity to the busy B979 road nearby. The proposed application does not meet the Local Development Plan requirements for siting turbines ten rotor diameters away from residential properties. I am also concerned about several factual inaccuracies contained with the 'Supporting Environmental Document for Proposed Wind Turbine at South Lasts Farm'; prepared by Loco2gen which I found on a cursory examination of the report. This tends to lead one to wonder how many other inaccuracies there are in this report which supports the application.

In terms of its sheer size and impact on the surroundings, I can only refer to, and agree with, the following extract from the Loco2gen report itself (section 5.5).

'It would appear as a prominent structure in the local landscape, dwarfing the scale of undulating low rising hills in the backdrop, the vertical scale of surrounding conifer blocks and pylons on the nearby skyline. It would contrast with the prevailing agricultural character and the relative tranquility of the surrounding landscape and would compromise the containment provided by the nearby hills that form a backdrop to the surrounding flat agricultural fields';

The Aberdeen Local Development Plan (2012) Policy R8 states that the development of renewable and low carbon energy schemes is supported and applications will be supported in principle if proposals 'Do not cause significant harm to the local environment, including landscape character';. I would suggest that the proposed turbine does cause significant harm to the local landscape character.

In Section 4.6.3 of the report, Supplementary Guidance, Landscape Guidelines (2012), states that 'The council's general environmental approach to development indicates that developments will be allowed where they do not destroy or damage natural resources or their setting, adversely affect amenity or be visually damaging to the appearance or setting of Aberdeen';. I would suggest that the proposed turbine's dimensions are such that it would be visually damaging to Aberdeen.

I note from Section 4.5 that in the latest Consultation Draft of Scottish Planning Policy that 'It is intended to increase the suggested separation distance between wind farms and cities, towns and villages from 2 km to 2.5 km';. The Loco2gen report itself states that Peterculter is only approximately 2 km away. Therefore this application would fail to meet these guidelines.

The Aberdeen Local Development Plan (2012) Policy R8 states that "For wind energy developments, proposals will also need to meet the following specific requirements and ensure that :

4. Turbines are 10 rotor diameters from residential properties";

The Loco2gen report in Table 25 states that North Lasts, where we live alongside 4 other dwellings, is only 522m away. This is within the 530m exclusion zone for the proposed turbine arrangement. Therefore the proposed application does not meet the Local Development Plan requirements. I also note that South Lasts Cottages are only 384m away.

I note from section 5.3.1 "The site and surrounding landscape"; "Apart from an active sand and gravel quarry located to north of Ord Burn, the predominant land use is mixed agriculture"; "The quarry nearby the site is actually located south of the Ord Burn, another factual error contained in this report.

In Section 10.2.1 the report states "suggests that shadow flicker should not be a problem where separation is greater than 10 rotor diameters (in this case 530m)"; "There are no dwellings within this distance to the proposed wind turbine";

Again, this is factually incorrect as their own report in Table 25 states that North Lasts is only 522m away, and South Lasts Cottages are a mere 384m away.

In section 10.2.2, no mention is made of North Lasts which is within 10 rotor diameters of the proposed turbine location.

In the shadow flicker assessment in figure 10, the contours mysteriously circumvent North Lasts and flicker events appear as a zero in Table 26. Can the Council verify these figures? The report states in Section 10.4 that "the requirement to mitigate shadow flicker events is likely to be put forward as a planning condition and this is a condition that the developer is willing and able to meet"; How will this be enforced in operation?

In Section 12.3.2 the report states "Overall television reception issues are not perceived to be a major concern due to the likely low number of houses that will actually be impacted, the move to digital reception, and the ability to rectify issues for those individual households that are affected"; "Who is responsible for rectifying these issues and how is this enforced ?

In Section 12.4 the report states "It is considered that any interference that may occur can be successfully mitigated against and stated within the planning conditions of the project"; "As before, how would this be enforced ?

In Section 14.2 it states "With the nearest public road being approximately 600m to the south"; This is yet another important factual inaccuracy contained within this report. Inspection of Figure 9 within the report highlights that the busy B979 is located a mere 180 metres away.

Section 14.2 also states "With regard to driver distraction that is unlikely to be a concern given the distance of the turbine to the road and scale of development proposed"; "Given that the authors of the report cannot get the distance correct to the nearest road, then any conclusions they draw here are considered dubious. It is patently obvious that an 86.5m structure located close to the busy B979 road which is widely recognised as a rat-run for vehicles bypassing Aberdeen would lead to driver distraction and potential accidents/fatalities.

I note from the supporting environmental document for this planning application, prepared by Loco2gen, section 1.3.3 states that "The main driver for the landowner is to develop wind energy on the site in order to diversify the farming business. A single wind turbine, such as the one proposed, will provide a sustainable income over the 20-25 years of expected operation"; "The goals of income diversification are to increase revenue, support the existing farming business and spread the farmer's risk into a non-agricultural sector. A wind turbine is considered to be a suitable option for the site as it achieves the above"; "Given that the applicant G&B Renewables has already received planning consent for a turbine on their farmland which is currently undergoing construction, then one wonders whether another turbine is actually necessary to achieve these goals. It would be fairer for Aberdeen Council, as a co-applicant, to consider another farm owner who would benefit from this income diversification.

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Comment for Planning Application 131859

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Comment : I object to planning application 131859 for the following reasons:

1. The application does not comply with Local Development Plan Policy NE2: Greenbelt. The structure is extremely large scale and is not essential for agriculture, woodland or forestry uses. It is not compatible with an agricultural or natural setting and goes against the greenbelt policy of maintaining the landscape setting between the villages of Peterculter, Milltimber and Westhill.

2. The cumulative effect of incremental changes due to development of two large scale wind turbines in this location, proposed within a short timescale and the second one proposed by Aberdeen Council warrants a public consultation process to gain views of the affected communities in the city and shire. The location is very close to the city/shire boundary. All surrounding community councils objected to the first wind turbine application and it is concerning that Aberdeen City Council are proposing the second turbine. Did the council and planners have prior knowledge of a dual (or more) turbine development for South Lasts and if so why are the applications being presented in a piece meal manner without proper consultation with local communities, or representation of their views. I rely on the local planning department to act impartially to planning applications and I am concerned that in the case of the two turbines at South Lasts they cannot be fully impartial without full public consultation.

3. The application does not comply with Local Development Plan Policy R8: Renewables. Specifically the scale of the structure and its lowland location on undulating fields will cause significant harm to the local environment, including landscape character. (This location is not on the top of a hill in the distance, but right in the middle of low land fields). Furthermore it is not set at a sufficient distance from dwelling houses and as such will cause significant adverse impact on the amenity of the dwelling houses at South Lasts and North Lasts and Denmill.

4. The location of the turbine is sited too close to nearest dwelling houses at North Lasts and South Lasts, and too close to Peterculter and Milltimber. Planners and the Council must be well aware of nationally reported measures by scottish ministers to control the location of wind farms via latest planning policies, with ministers proposing to extend the distance between wind turbines, towns and villages. The House of Lords are also debating an increase of the distance from wind turbines to dwelling houses. The residents in these rural locations do not have a large community voice and rely on the planners to protect the greenbelt and rural settings within the city and shire. The report contains inaccurate information on nearest dwellings and communities.

5. The application does not comply with Local Development Plan Policy D6: Landscape. The structure size and scale will significantly adversely affect the surrounding landscape character and rural 'sense of place'. This greenbelt location provides an important buffer between the communities of Peterculter, Milltimber and Westhill, each with individual identities.

6. This second large scale turbine approval in a low land undulating field location will set a precedent for other such structures sporadically placed in relatively flat farmland around the city boundaries.

7. The development does not comply with the Aberdeen landscape strategy as it does not incorporate a sense of place through design. It does not relate to, and is not compatible with the scale, massing, density, and materials of adjoining areas; nor does it conserve the existing site features – such as open spaces and views of rural buildings.
8. This area which contributes to landscape setting is especially important, and sensitive to change, as it is exposed to a high degree of visibility from places of regular public accessibility, such as the B979 public road and surrounding woods and recreation areas.
9. Greenbelt policy states that any provision of utilities must be located unobtrusively and have a minimal impact, particularly in terms of landscape, nature conservation, habitat, nuisance and pollution. The Aberdeen landscape strategy states that development proposals shall be compatible with the landscape character of the surrounding area in terms of siting, scale, massing, colour, design, density, orientation and materials; and otherwise be capable of being absorbed within sites without adverse effects upon landscape features, character or local amenity. The proposed turbine size, scale and location do not meet these criteria.
10. Tourism and recreation - the area proposed for the above development is widely used for recreation and is part of a local 'round trip' walking / jogging / cycling route connecting the Milltimber and Culter communities. Many people enjoy the peace and tranquility of the area, and the stunning uninterrupted open views which bring so many tourists to the Aberdeen and Deeside area. I believe that the addition of this industrial sized structure will severely impair the attraction of the surrounding area for recreation and tourism, and will not be supported by the local community using the area.
The structure will be visible on the main approach to the city boundary via the B979 and from many other locations around the city and shire.
11. Driver distraction - This is a serious concern not adequately addressed in the planning application. I am a regular user of the B979 which is a rural road but at also a commuter route and connects to two quarries. The Malcolm Road area between Culter and Westhill is where the turbine will be closest and most dominant visually. This road is used by joggers, horses, cyclists, drivers and industrial lorries. Many of the lorries using the road are not local so are unlikely to become 'used' to the view. This is a busy road, but is also poorly designed with no pavements or cycle paths, and with a low sun, can be particularly tricky to negotiate. It is a well known problem locally and unfortunately there have been many accidents, some fatal. It is unacceptable if even one additional accident occurred because of the sizeable structure / moving blades / rotating head distracting drivers.
12. Protection of open spaces, good management of landscapes, and sustaining biodiversity. Personally I feel that a structure of this size is not in keeping with the surrounding landscape and is therefore not aligned with numerous government planning policies / advice notes and european directives. I do not believe that the environmental, social or economic benefits, outweigh the detrimental effect this structure will have to the Deeside landscape.
13. Impact on television reception and lack of community engagement. Given the nature of this application, and the number of people affected I am disappointed that the local communities of Culter, Milltimber, Culter, Bieldside, Westhill, Maryculter - plus all those who may have reduced TV reception - have not been formally consulted and engaged by either the planning department or the council/developer. This goes against the governments policies and advice which emphasises the importance obtaining local community views. Consequently, this application is unlikely to receive representative feed-back from affected communities.

P&SD Letters of Representation		
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Application Reference 131859

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I trust that the Council will be favorable towards this planning application

Yours sincerely,



Ronald Dalgarno

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Wind Turbine Application 131859

Aberdeen City Planning Department,

This scale of development would seem to be far better than larger commercial wind farm schemes, with the profit staying within the Aberdeen City area we will also be able to see a local economic benefit.

I would therefore like to state my support of this development and I hope you will consider the above points when making your decision.

Yours,


Angela Reid

James Hutton
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Dear Mr Forbes,

I would like to give my support for the wind turbine at South Lasts Farm (reference 131859).

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I fully support the development of alternative methods of electricity generation and I feel that Aberdeen City Council's Planning Committee should support this application and help contribute to targets set by the Scottish Government.

Yours Sincerely

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Application 131859, South Lasts Farm Wind Turbine

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Mr S Still

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