

Belltown Power UK Wind Ltd

ELECTRICITY ACT 1989

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997

**THE ELECTRICITY WORKS (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) (SCOTLAND)
REGULATIONS 2017**

This notice is further to the notice that Belltown Power UK Wind Ltd, a company incorporated under the Companies Act with company number 12479510 and having its registered office at 10 Victoria Street, Bristol, England, BS1 6BN, has applied to the Scottish Ministers for consent under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 to construct and operate the Melvich Wind Energy Hub (“the proposed development”) at land south-west of Melvich, Sutherland, Highland (Central Grid Reference 287400 963600). The proposed development is subject to Environmental Impact Assessment (“EIA”) under the above Regulations.

Belltown Power UK Wind Ltd has also requested a direction under section 57(2) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 that planning permission for the development be deemed to be granted.

The Scottish Ministers have determined that a Public Local Inquiry (“PLI”) will be held, and the application has been referred to the Scottish Government Planning and Environmental Appeals Division (“DPEA”).

Notice is hereby given that Belltown Power UK Wind Ltd has submitted additional information relative to the above EIA application to the Scottish Ministers via the DPEA. This includes information relating to changes to the development design and associated updated assessment of environmental effects.

Following development design changes as described in the additional information, the installed capacity of the proposed generating station would be approximately 53.8 MW in total, comprising: 4 wind turbines with a maximum ground to blade tip height of 180 metres (approximately 26.8 MW), and approximately 27 MW of energy storage. The operational life of the proposed generating station would be 40 years.

A copy of the additional information will be available for public inspection in person, free of charge, from 31 May 2025, at:

Location	Opening Hours	Address
Strathy Village Hall	The copy will be available for viewing when the hall is in use, or by arrangement with the hall. Contact telephone: 07801 063021	Strathy W, Strathy, Thurso KW14 7RZ

The additional information can also be viewed on the application website at <https://melvichwindenergyhub.com/> or, on the DPEA website at <http://www.dpea.scotland.gov.uk/>.

On accessing the DPEA website (www.dpea.scotland.gov.uk), enter the case reference WIN-270-25 in the ‘Search by case reference:’ box to find all documents relating to this case.

Copies of the additional information may be obtained from Belltown Power (telephone: +44 (0) 117 303 5217 or by email: melvichwindenergyhub@belltownpower.com) at a charge of £750 hard copy and £15 on USB storage device. Copies of a short Non-Technical Summary are available free of charge.

Any representations on the application may be submitted by email to the Scottish Government via Jayne.anderson@gov.scot; or by post to the Scottish Government, Planning and Environmental Appeals Division, Hadrian House, Callendar Business Park, Falkirk, FK1 1XR, identifying the proposal and specifying the grounds for representation.

Written or emailed representations should be dated, clearly stating the name (in block capitals) and full postal address of those making representations. Emailed representations should also include the full return email address of those making representations.

All representations should be received not later than 4 July 2025, although Ministers may consider representations received after this date.

Any subsequent additional information which is submitted by the developer will be subject to further public notice in this manner, and representations to such information will be accepted as per this notice.

Having considered the application and the above legislation together with any representations received, and following completion of the PLI, Scottish Ministers will determine the application for consent in one of two ways:

- Consent the proposed development, with or without conditions attached; or
- Reject the proposed development.

All previous representations received in relation to this development will be considered.

Please note that DPEA collect information if you take part in the planning process, use DPEA websites, send correspondence to DPEA or attend a webcast. To find out more about what information is collected, how the information is used and managed please read the [DPEA's privacy notice](#).