

Richard Smith

From: Richard Smith [richard.smith@moray.gov.uk]
Sent: 23 July 2009 16:40
To: oliver penney
Subject: RE: Myreton, Keith planning application for 2 wind turbines.

Oliver,

Yes, I'm happy with the 8 suggested locations. Can you add the 2 extra suggested locations please as shown in red in the attached plan.

Regards,

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From: oliver penney [mailto:oliverpenney@serenenergy.co.uk]
Sent: 23 July 2009 09:12
To: richard.smith@moray.gov.uk
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Hello Richard,

Can you confirm that you are happy with the 8 additional photomontage locations suggested?
Do you wish to suggest any further photomontage locations?

Thank you for your swift response.

Kind regards

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Oliver,

This is an acceptable method of analysis of cumulative impact. Please submit 4 sets of information at your earliest convenience.

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Sent: 22 July 2009 17:04
To: richard.smith@moray.gov.uk
Subject: Re: Myreton, Keith planning application for 2 wind turbines.

Dear Richard,

I am in the process of undertaking a Cumulative Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment for the additional two wind turbines at Myreton as requested.

I have run a cumulative ZVI map for the Myreton Wind Farm which takes into account the 3 additional wind farms around it, and treats the 3 wind turbines at Myreton as 1 wind farm. The 3 additional wind farms are the Balnamoon turbine, the proposed Aultmore Wind Farm and the proposed two turbines at Nethertown.

I have attached a cropped section of the cumulative ZVI map to this e mail, entitled "4 WIND FARMS 50 25K NACELLE Viewpoints Proposed". The green sections represent where one wind farm is visible, the blue sections represent where 2 wind farms are visible, red three wind farms and yellow all four wind farms will be visible. (Depending upon foreground features not modeled such as tree's and hedges etc).

I have marked the original 13 photomontage viewpoint locations with blue spots. I initially intend to re-do each of these photomontages with the additional constructed or proposed wind farms modeled into each.

I have also marked 8 further photomontage viewpoint locations with red spots. 4 of these are in yellow areas where all 4 wind farms will be potentially visible. 3 are in red areas where 3 wind farms will potentially be visible and 1 is in a blue area where two wind farms will potentially be visible. The Myreton wind turbines will also be visible at each of these additional viewpoint locations.

I would like to ask for your advice as to whether these additional 8 locations are suitable for addition to the existing 13, for the cumulative impact assessment? I have chosen predominantly locations where 3 or 4 of the wind farms will be visible to provide a better cumulative impact assessment.

At several of the locations, the wind farms will not be visible when viewing in one direction. In this situation it is proposed that photomontages are taken in different directions from the same location. This is intended to give an impression of how the wind farms will appear when looking at different angles, standing in one location. Will this be an acceptable method of analysis?

It may appear that most of the photomontage locations that have been proposed are south of the Myreton Wind Farm. This is because Lurg Hill does a good job of blocking the view of the wind turbines to the north. An additional Map has also been attached to illustrate this point. This is entitled "4 WIND FARMS 50 25K NACELLE cropped smaller". There are reasonably large areas of green to the north of the Myreton development. In these areas just one of the wind farms will be visible which is likely to be the Aultmore wind farm as it is situated on the top of Old Fir Hill.

I look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible regarding these matters. I have the full 25k radius cumulative ZVI maps but they are 11MB and therefore too large to send via e mail.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

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Oliver,

In response to your voicemail message left earlier today querying the dimensions of the 13 turbines for the Aultmore development, these would have a hub height of 70m, with a maximum blade tip height of 110m.

Apologies for these delayed replies, but I am only in the office in the afternoons this week.

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