

## Character Type and Development Opportunities

## 4. Coastal Farmland

There is some scope to accommodate the small-medium typology (35-50m) in this landscape. Turbines could be sited in less densely settled areas, set below low ridge lines to benefit from some back-cloth of rising ground which would reduce prominence and apparent height to some degree. Turbines of this size should not be sited on, or nearby, the landmark hills in this and adjacent character types, and within areas with a more complex smaller scale rolling landform. They should also be sited to avoid intrusion on the setting of settlements, historic and archaeological features and designed landscapes.

Capacity is likely to be quickly reached in this open landscape where inter-visibility between developments (and the well-settled nature of this landscape) increases potential for significant cumulative landscape and visual effects to occur. Periodic monitoring will be essential to consider cumulative landscape and visual effects in detail within this character type.

## 8. Upland Farmland

There is *limited* scope for the small-medium typology (turbines 35-50m) to be accommodated in this character type. Turbines of this size should be located on broad, more gently undulating slopes, avoiding impact on the landmark hills and being sited away from the smaller hills and ridges which form occasional landform features within this landscape. The potential for cumulative effects with transmission lines and operational and consented turbines and with any potential wind farm developments is likely to severely restrict opportunities for this typology. The even distribution of settlement across this landscape also offers a potential constraint given the significant cumulative effects if a number of farms/land holdings featured a turbine of this size. Periodic monitoring should be undertaken to review cumulative effects and gauge potential limits of capacity.

## 10b. Open Uplands with settled glens

Turbines should be located on lower hill slopes at the transition between the upland ridges and the farmed land, along gentle slopes and sited to avoid overwhelming the scale of small buildings and clusters of development.