



View from Midmar Hall Trig Point - 17 Turbines are mapped and represented to scale giving a predicted view based on the scope.
More detailed images to follow on our website, including animation and closer views

RES Consultations

Tuesday 11 October 2022

Crathes Hall
Crathes, Banchory,
AB31 5JN
11am - 2pm

Echt Hall
B977, Echt, Westhill,
AB32 6UL
5pm - 8pm

Wednesday 12 October 2022

Midmar Hall
Midmar, Inverurie,
AB51 7NE
11am - 2pm

Learney Hall
9 Beltie Road, Torphins,
Banchory, AB31 4JT
5pm - 8pm

We are a group of local residents who have established ourselves as a working party to provide information on the impact of the proposed windfarm on our local communities.

If you would like to know more please email info@hilloffare.org and a member of our team will contact you.

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Visit our website, www.hilloffare.org for regular updates.

Find information on

- Landscape visuals
- Noise impacts
- Recreational constraints
- Wildlife
- Environmental challenges
- Media coverage
- Published reports
- Key contacts

Questions to consider at the RES windfarm consultation

- **What is this size of turbine going to look like against this size of hill?**
 - How far away will they be seen?
 - What account/calculations have been given to the 'flicker effect' experienced by communities?
- **What makes Hill of Fare the best place to put a windfarm of this scale?**
 - Why are turbines proposed on the hill rather than lower land that would be less obtrusive to Aberdeenshire but still windy?
 - What wind surveys have they completed on The Hill or elsewhere for comparison?
 - What legislation/guidelines are RES working within and are RES fully compliant with these?
- **Where else have they erected 250m high wind turbines?**
 - If nowhere, why not?
 - If they have tried and planning was refused, why was it refused?
 - What has been the overarching opinion from communities?
 - What has been the overarching opinions from Scottish Government reporters on similar windfarm proposals?
- **Where and what size is the tallest windfarm RES have built on shore?**
- **What/Where have RES based their noise impacts on?**
 - Where can people go to sample the noise impact of 250m high turbines?
 - Has the amphitheatre topography of the area been taken in to account?
 - Have the prevailing winds been taken into account in terms of noise pollution?
- **The proposal shows a large area of the hill covered by windfarm.**
 - What area will be covered in concrete/tar from the turbines, tracks, battery storage footprint, pylon footings etc?
- **Where will access to the site be?**
- **What is the carbon footprint of the manufacturing, installation and decommissioning of the turbines?**
 - How many years after installation will this be equalised?
- **What is the environmental impact to our area?**
 - What hazards does the installation present e.g., fire, fire spreading to forestry, what noxious fumes emitted, who is at risk, how does the operator eliminate, avoid or mitigate the risk from the hazards? What harm does this project do to wildlife?
 - Depending on the chosen location of the 100mx150m battery electrical storage system (BESS), who will deal with the tackling of battery fires? Lithium-ion batteries are very difficult to extinguish, large volumes of water are required, where is this water to come from? Will a reservoir need to be constructed? How is the fire prevented from spreading into the Hill of Fare forest, heather, peat?
- **What is the expected recreational impact during installation and thereafter?**
- **Aviation lights needed on the turbines, how many will be required per turbine and how far away will these be seen?**
- **Approximately how long does it take to install 17 turbines from start to finish including connection to the national grid?**
- **When will you submit your planning application for power export pylons?**
 - At what stage are pylon routes discussed and communities notified?
 - When will you apply for your application for battery storage?
 - Where will the pylon route be to transport the electricity generated?
 - Does this ever lead to compulsory purchasing of land and property?
- **What will be the impact on the road infrastructure in the local area?**
- **Whose opinion counts during the planning process?**
 - What influence can a resident have on the proposal?
 - Is there a critical number of residents needed to action change?
 - When and where should residents write to in order to have their say and it be acted upon?