



Moray Council

Thursday, 22 November 2018

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a **Special Meeting** of the **Moray Council** is to be held at **Council Chambers, Council Office, High Street, Elgin, IV30 1BX** on **Thursday, 22 November 2018 at 15:30.**

BUSINESS

- 1 **Sederunt**
- 2 **Declaration of Group Decisions and Members Interests ***
- 3 **Public Hearing: Planning Application 18/01046/EIA** 5 - 6

Construct onshore electrical transmission infrastructure comprising of a cable transition jointing bay, underground cable circuits, construction of substation to south of Keith with further connecting cabling to allow connection with existing transmission network at Blackhillock including temporary construction compounds, access track laydown areas and other associated works from within the vicinity of Redhythe Point in Aberdeenshire Council area to Whitehillock Farm, Keith, Moray for Moray Offshore Windfarm (West) Limited.

Any person attending the meeting who requires access assistance should contact customer services on 01343 563217 in advance of the meeting.

GUIDANCE NOTES

* **Declaration of Group Decisions and Members Interests** - The Chair of the meeting shall seek declarations from any individual or political group at the beginning of a meeting whether any prior decision has been reached on how the individual or members of the group will vote on any item(s) of business on the Agenda, and if so on which item(s). A prior decision shall be one that the individual or the group deems to be mandatory on the individual or the group members such that the individual or the group members will be subject to sanctions should they not vote in accordance with the prior decision. Any such prior decisions will be recorded in the Minute of the meeting.

** **Written Questions** - Any Member can put one written question about any relevant and competent business within the specified remits not already on the agenda, to the Chair provided it is received by the Proper Officer or Committee Services by 12 noon two working days prior to the day of the meeting. A copy of any written answer provided by the Chair will be tabled at the start of the relevant section of the meeting. The Member who has put the question may, after the answer has been given, ask one supplementary question directly related to the subject matter, but no discussion will be allowed.

No supplementary question can be put or answered more than 10 minutes after the Council has started on the relevant item of business, except with the consent of the Chair. If a Member does not have the opportunity to put a supplementary question because no time remains, then he or she can submit it in writing to the Proper Officer who will arrange for a written answer to be provided within 7 working days.

*** **Question Time** - At each ordinary meeting of the Committee ten minutes will be allowed for Members questions when any Member of the Committee can put a question to the Chair on any business within the remit of that Section of the Committee. The Member who has put the question may, after the answer has been given, ask one supplementary question directly related to the subject matter, but no discussion will be allowed.

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Councillor Tim Eagle (Member)
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Councillor Marc Macrae (Member)
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REPORT TO: SPECIAL MEETING OF MORAY COUNCIL ON 22 NOVEMBER 2018

SUBJECT: PLANNING APPLICATION 18/01046/EIA - CONSTRUCT ONSHORE ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION INFRASTRUCTURE COMPRISING OF A CABLE TRANSITION JOINTING BAY, UNDERGROUND CABLE CIRCUITS, CONSTRUCTION OF SUBSTATION TO SOUTH OF KEITH WITH FURTHER CONNECTING CABLING TO ALLOW CONNECTION WITH EXISTING TRANSMISSION NETWORK AT BLACKHILLOCK INCLUDING TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION COMPOUNDS ACCESS TRACK LAYDOWN AREAS AND OTHER ASSOCIATED WORKS FROM WITHIN THE VICINITY OF REDHYTHE POINT IN ABERDEENSHIRE COUNCIL AREA TO WHITEHILLOCK FARM, KEITH, MORAY FOR MORAY OFFSHORE WINDFARM (WEST) LIMITED

BY: HEAD OF LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

1. REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 To ask Council to consider the recommendation from the Planning and Regulatory Services Committee, following a Pre-Determination Hearing at its special meeting on 22 November 2018, in respect of Planning Application 18/01046/EIA.
- 1.2 This report is submitted to Council in terms of Section II (23) of the Council's Scheme of Administration relating to the determination of any planning application that has been considered at a Pre-Determination Hearing.

2. RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 **The Council are requested to consider the recommendation from the Planning and Regulatory Services Committee in respect of Planning Application 18/01046/EIA, following a Pre-Determination Hearing at its special meeting on 22 November 2018, and proceed to determine the application.**

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Planning and Regulatory Services Committee, whose membership was extended to include all members of the Council, considered Planning Application 18/01046/EIA during a Pre-Determination Hearing at its special meeting on 22 November 2018.
- 3.2 Following consideration of the representations relating to Planning Application 18/01046/EIA, the Planning and Regulatory Services Committee made a recommendation to Moray Council regarding the outcome of the application.
- 3.3 A copy of the Appointed Officer's report was circulated to all Members with the agenda for the special meeting of Planning and Regulatory Services Committee on 22 November 2018.

4. CONCLUSION

- 4.1 The Council is invited to consider the recommendation of the Planning and Regulatory Services Committee, following a Pre-Determination Hearing, in respect of an application to construct onshore electrical transmission infrastructure comprising of a cable transition jointing bay, underground cable circuits, construction of substation to south of Keith with further connecting cabling to allow connection with existing transmission network at Blackhillock including temporary construction compounds, access track laydown areas and other associated works from within the vicinity of Redhythe Point in Aberdeenshire Council area to Whitehillock Farm, Keith, Moray for Moray Offshore Windfarm (West) Limited.**

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Background Papers:
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