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Our reference: LA01/2022/1202/PAN

9 January 2023

Denise Dickson
Head of Planning
Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council
Cloonavin,
66 Portstewart Road,
Coleraine,
BT52 1EY

Dear Ms Dickson,

Proposal: Proposed Carnbuck Wind Farm comprising: up to 12 three-

bladed horizontal axis wind turbines, each up to 180m maximum height above ground level; associated external transformers; underground cabling; access tracks; turning heads; crane hardstandings; control building and substation compound, energy storage containers, off-site areas of widening to the public road and all ancillary works. The development also comprises upgrades to the existing site entrance and access tracks of Gruig Wind Farm. During construction and commissioning there would be a number of temporary works including a construction compound with car parking; temporary parts of crane hardstandings and welfare

facilities.

Location: Land in the townlands of Carnbuck, Magheraboy and

Moneyneagh, east/south-east of the village of Corkey,

Co.Antrim

I refer to our correspondence of 17 November 2022 in respect of a Proposal of Application Notice for the above development that was received by the Department on 11 November 2022.

The applicant has amended the date of their public event and submitted an updated Form PAN 1 to reflect this change.

A copy of the amended form is attached for your information.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

Graeme Walker

Principal Planning Officer for Strategic Planning Directorate

#### **RES UK & Ireland Limited**



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Our Ref: 03090-5052459

5<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Dear Alistair,

#### Re: Proposal of Application Notice for Carnbuck Wind Farm, near Corkey, Co. Antrim

The Planning (Development Management) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 were amended by The Planning (Development Management) (Temporary Modifications) (Coronavirus) (Amendment No.2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2021 on 1st October 2021 to extend the emergency period to 31 March 2022.

RES previously submitted a Proposal of Application Notice (PAN) to the Department for Infrastructure Strategic Planning Directorate letter on the 28<sup>th</sup> of February 2022. The previous PAN was submitted during the emergency period.

Following submission of the planning application for the site, a letter issued by the Department for Infrastructure Strategic Planning Directorate, dated the 7<sup>th</sup> of November 2022 (referenced LA01/2022/1145/F), indicated that 'Although the PAN for this application was submitted during the emergency period, the application itself was not made within 6 months following the end of the emergency period. As such, you were required to hold a public event in the locality in which the proposed development is situated'.

A previous Proposal of Application Notice (PAN) form was sent to DFI Planning on the 11<sup>th</sup> of November 2022, however an amendment has been made to the date of the proposed public exhibition (previously 17<sup>th</sup> January 2023, now updated to 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023). In accordance with regulation 4 of the Planning (Development Management) regulations (NI) 2015 please find enclosed an amended Proposal of Application Notice (PAN) for the above named development. This PAN acts as the second stage of consultation for the above proposal to facilitate a local public exhibition to be held in The Millennium Centre, Lough Road, Ballymena.

I understand that within 21 days of receiving the proposal the Department may notify RES that it requires (either or both):

a) That the proposal of application notice be given to persons additional to those specified under subsection (5) (specifying in the notification who those persons are):

b) That consultation additional to any required by virtue of subsection (5) (b) be undertaken as regards to the proposed development (specifying in the notification what form that consultation is to take).

I would appreciate a response as soon as possible to enable the proposed public exhibition and associated advertisement to go forward.

Please find enclosed a letter confirming the Department's determination that the proposal is development to which Section 26 applies of the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 applies.

I trust the enclosed is in order however if you have any queries please not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



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Carnbuck – Proposal of Application Notice 05012023 – Signed S26 Carnbuck – S26 Determination Letter to Agent LA01-2022-0053-DETRSD Site Boundary (Preliminary) Ref. 03090-RES-LAY-DR-LE-001 Rev 1

Form PAN	1
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Official Use Only	
Reference No.:	
Associate Application No.:	
Registration date:	

## **Proposal of Application Notice**

Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011
Planning (General Development Procedure) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015

#### To be completed for all developments within the major category of development

Please note that when you submit this form the information, including plans, maps and drawings, will appear on the Planning Register which is publicly available and, along with other associated documentation (with the exception of personal telephone numbers, email addresses or sensitive personal data), will also be published on the internet on the Public Access site (<a href="http://epicpublic.planningni.gov.uk/publicaccess/">http://epicpublic.planningni.gov.uk/publicaccess/</a>). The Department for Infrastructure and the 11 Councils will process your information in line with the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) requirements. A copy of the full Privacy Statement is available at <a href="https://www.infrastructure-ni.gov.uk/dfi-privacy">www.infrastructure-ni.gov.uk/dfi-privacy</a>. To request a hard copy, please contact the relevant Data Protection Officer as listed in the statement.

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### 1b. Agent's name and address (if applicable)

Name:	Renewable Energy Systems Limited	Name:	N/A
Address:	C1/C2 Willowbank Business Park,	Address:	
	Willowbank Road, Millbrook		
Town:	Larne	Town:	
Postcode:	BT40 2SF	Postcode:	
Tel:	028 2844 0583	Tel:	
E-mail:		E-mail:	

**2. Address or Location of Proposed Development** Please state the postal address of the prospective development site. If there is no postal address, describe its location. Please outline the site on an OS base plan and attach it to this completed notice.

Lands in the townlands of Carnbuck, Magheraboy and Moneyneagh, east/south-east of the village of Corkey, Co. Antrim.

3. What is the area of the site in hectares?

393.5 hectares

**4. Description of Proposed Development** Please describe the development to be carried out, outlining its characteristics. Please also enclose appropriate drawings, including: plan, elevations and site layout of the proposal.

Proposed Carnbuck Wind Farm comprising: up to 12 three-bladed horizontal axis wind turbines, each up to 180m maximum height above ground level; associated external transformers; underground cabling; access tracks; turning heads; crane hardstandings; control building and substation compound, battery energy storage containers, off-site areas of widening to the public road and all ancillary works. The development also comprises upgrades to the existing site entrance and access tracks of Gruig Wind Farm. During construction and commissioning there would be a number of temporary works including a construction compound with car parking; temporary parts of crane hardstandings and welfare facilities.

5. What is the total gross floorspace of the proposed development?

6. If the proposed development includes a renewable energy project, what is the total amount of power (in kilowatts or megawatts) expected to be					
generated per year?		Approx 51.6MW installed capacity			
7. Which type of planning permission does this Proposal of Application Notice relate to?  (Please tick)  Full planning permission  Outline planning permission					
8. Has a determination been made as to whether the proposed development would be of Regional Significance?  Yes  (Please enclose a copy of the determination made under Section 26 of the Planning Act (NI) 2011)					
9. Has an Environmental Imp	oact Assessment determination bee	en made?			
Yes (Please enclose a copy of the determination made under Part 2 of the Planning [Environmental Impact Assessment] Regulations [NI] 2015)  10. Please give details of proposed consultation					
Proposed public event	Venue	Date and Time			
Public Exhibition, including maps	The Millennium Centre	Thursday 26th January 2023			
and visualisations of the proposal	Lough Road	4pm-8pm			
and providing the opportunity to	Loughgiel	(was previously Tuesday			
ask questions and give feeback	Ballymena	17th January 2023)			
	BT44 9JN				
Name of publication(s) used: Ballymoney and Moyle Times Ballymoney Chronicle					
Proposed newspaper advert da	ate(s):				
Ballymoney and Moyle - Wednesday 11th January 2023 Ballymoney Chronicle - Thursday 12th January 2023					
Please specify details of any other consultation methods including distance from site for notifying neighbouring properties (e.g.100m, 200m etc) and method of notification (please include date, time and with whom):  - Information leaflets delivered to all houses within 3km, and all community groups including churches and schools within 5km.  - Staffed public exhibition with informative boards and feedback questionnaires  - Write to all stakeholders such as MLAs, Councillor, Community Groups and other interested parties					
Details of any other publicity ma	othode (quah on looflate in a trini				
Details of any other publicity methods (such as leaflets, posters, etc):  Dedicated project website is updated					

# 11. Please state which other parties have received a copy of this Proposal of Application Notice (Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

Elected member	er(s) for District Electoral Area			Date notice served		
Braid District Ele		The Glens District Electoral Ar	ea:	6th January 2023		
Councillor Beth A	O .	Alderman Joan Baird Councillor Margaret-Anne Mck	Killon			
Councillor Christ		Councillor Oliver McMullan	(IIIOP			
Councillor David		Councillor Padraig McShane				
Councillor Julie F		Councillor Cara McShane				
Alderman Robin Councillor Willian						
Other	Ti Woodagney			Date notice served		
North Antrim ML	As			6th January 2023		
Mr Jim Allister				•		
Mr Paul Frew						
Mr Philip McGrui Dr Patricia O'Lyr						
Mr Robin Swann						
12. Council Employee / Elected Member Interest						
	pplicant / applicant's spouse or er of the council?	partner, a member of staff w	itnin tr	ne council or an		
elected membe	er of the council?	Yes	]	No 🗸		
Or are you / the applicant / the applicant's spouse or partner, a relative of a member of staff in the council or an elected member of the council or their spouse or partner?						
		Yes	]	No 🗸		
If you have ans	swered yes, please provide det	ails (name, relationship and r	ole):			
N/A						
13. Declaration						
Signature:						
D: (						
Print name:	DAVID MCVEIGH					
Date:	5th Sanvary 2023					

**PLEASE NOTE:** A planning application for this development cannot be submitted less than 12 weeks from the date the Proposal of Application Notice is received and without the statutory requirements having been undertaken. The application must be accompanied by the Pre-Application Consultation report.

We will respond within 21 days of receiving the Notice. We will confirm whether the proposed preapplication community consultation is satisfactory, or if additional notification and consultation is required. The minimum statutory consultation activity includes holding one public event and its advertisement in a local paper. We also require this Notice to be sent to local councillors for the District Electoral Area in which the proposed development is situated, and evidence of additional publicity of the event.

#### **Strategic Planning Directorate**



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Your ref: 3400671

Our ref:

LA06/2022/0053/DETRSD.

Date: 24 February 2022

Dear Fiona,

Location: Townlands of Carnbuck, Magheraboy and Moneyneagh, near Corkey,

**County Antrim.** 

Proposal: Up to 12 x three-bladed horizontal wind turbines, each up to 180m

maximum height above ground level and associated external electricity

transformers.

Applicant: Renewable Energy Systems Limited.

I refer to your letter dated 19 January 2022 and your request for a determination under Section 26 of the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 for the above proposal.

Having considered the information provided, the Department is of the opinion that the development would, if carried out, be of significance to the whole or a substantial part of Northern Ireland.

In accordance with Section 26(4) of the above Act, the Department hereby notifies the prospective applicant that the development proposed is development to which Section 26 applies. Any planning application should therefore be made to the Department for Infrastructure.

Yours sincerely

Graeme Walker

**Principal Planning Officer** 

