

# ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE

## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

RWE INNOGY UK LTD

BRECHFA FOREST WEST WIND FARM

REGULATION 18, INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING

(ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2009

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF A MATTER IN PURSUANCE OF A REQUIREMENT IMPOSED BY DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER REF 2013 586

1. Applications have been made to Carmarthenshire County Council for the approval of a matter in pursuance of a requirement imposed by an order granting development consent for the Brechfa Forest West Wind Farm (the "Applications").

2. Application reference numbers:

a. Application reference **W/32783** comprises requirement 9 attached to the order, titled '**Construction method statement**'.

b. Application reference **W/32784** comprises requirement 15 attached to the order, titled '**Habitat Management Plan**'.

c. Application reference **W/32706** comprises requirement 17 attached to the order, titled '**Access management plan**'; and requirement 37 attached to the order, titled '**Community liaison**'.

d. Application reference **W/32687** comprises requirement 24 attached to the order, titled '**Shadow flicker**'; requirement 25 attached to the order, titled '**TV interference**'; requirement 26 attached to the order, titled '**Archaeology**'; and requirement 30 attached to the order, titled '**Infra-red aviation lighting**'.

e. Application reference **W/32748** comprises requirement 28 attached to the order, titled '**Surface water drainage**'; and requirement 29 attached to the order, titled '**Accumulation and deposits**'.

3. The applicant is:

RWE Innogy UK Ltd

Unit 22: Baglan Bay Innovation Centre

Central Avenue, Baglan Energy Park

Port Talbot SA12 7AX (the "**Applicant**")

4. The reference number of the Order granting development consent is SI 2013 No. 586. The Planning Inspectorate application reference is EN010008.

5. The Order granting development consent is for "EIA development" for the purposes of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009.

6. The development consent is for the construction and operation of a wind farm within Brechfa Forest, Carmarthenshire comprising the following:

- the construction of up to 28 wind turbines;
- approximately 9.1km of new access tracks;
- the upgrade of approximately 12.7km of existing access tracks;
- the construction of an onsite substation;
- the construction of hardstanding areas;
- the construction of external transformers;
- the laying of underground cabling;
- the construction of a permanent wind monitoring mast;
- the construction of a temporary construction compound;
- the construction of a temporary electrical compound;
- working of one new borrow pit for the extraction of stone; and
- ancillary works comprising the removal of hedgerows

7. The proposed wind farm (to be known as Brechfa Forest West Wind Farm) is located within Brechfa Forest in Carmarthenshire. Brechfa Forest is managed by Natural Resources Wales on behalf of the Welsh Government. The majority of the development is located on land managed by Natural Resources Wales. A construction, maintenance and emergency access track from the A485 is located on private farmland to the west of the forest. The site is 10km north east of Carmarthen on a ridge of land forming the south western tail of the Cambrian Mountains and lies between the Cothi Valley (located to the south east) and the Teifi Valley (located to the north west). The

Application site comprises an area of approximately 1041 hectares in the western part of Brechfa Forest which lies between the village of Brechfa to the south east and the A485 to the north west. The elevation of the site ranges from 260 metres AOD in the south west to 358 metres AOD in the north east.

8. The updated Environmental Statement (which comprises the original Environmental Statement and supplementary environmental information relating to the approval sought) and supporting documents are available for inspection free of charge at the following locations:

a. **Carmarthenshire County Council**, 3 Spilman Street, Carmarthen, SA31 1LE (Opening hours: 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday)

b. **Carmarthen Library**, St. Peters Street, Carmarthen SA31 1LN (Opening hours: Monday (9am – 7pm), Tuesday (9am – 6pm), Wednesday (9am – 6pm), Thursday (9am – 7pm), Friday (9am – 6pm) and Saturday (9am – 5pm))

These documents will be available for inspection until at least 12th November 2015. They are also available for viewing online at [www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk/planningapplications](http://www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk/planningapplications).

The Council's website also provides advice on:

- Information relating to the planning application process
- How the Council will determine the application, including the protocol, where relevant, for determination by Committee
- What constitutes a material consideration ie what the Council can take into account
- Submitting your comments
- Tracking the progress of the application, including the outcome

9. Copies of the application are available from the applicant. A charge of £10 will be made for a copy of the updated Environmental Statement in CD form. Hard copies of the supplementary environmental information are available at a cost of £10, and the full updated Environmental Statement at £250.

10. Representations should be made to Carmarthenshire County Council at the following address: 8 Spilman Street, Carmarthen, SA31 1JY. **REGPlanningRegistrations@carmarthenshire.gov.uk Please mark correspondence with the reference number relevant to the application you wish to comment on.**

11. The deadline for receipt of representations by Carmarthenshire County Council is **Thursday 12th November**.

RWE Innogy UK Ltd

October 2015

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## Planning

### TOWN PLANNING

#### DEPARTMENT FOR TRANSPORT

#### TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

THE SECRETARY OF STATE hereby gives notice of an Order made under Section 247 of the above Act entitled "The Stopping up of Highways (Yorkshire and the Humber) Order 2015" authorising the stopping up of areas of highway including footpaths at Bismarck Drive and Bismarck Street at Beeston, in the City of Leeds to enable development as permitted by Leeds City Council under references 10/02788/LA, 10/05220/RM (and Approval of Non Material Amendment to 10/05220/RM: Amendment Ref: 15/9/00133/MOD), 15/00936/COND and 15/00956/COND.

COPIES OF THE ORDER MAY BE OBTAINED, free of charge, from the Secretary of State, National Transport Casework Team, Tyneside House, Skinnerburn Road, Newcastle Business Park, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE4 7AR or [nationalcasework@dft.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:nationalcasework@dft.gsi.gov.uk) (quoting NATTRAN/Y&H/S247/1848) and may be inspected during normal opening hours at Leeds Central Library, Calverley Street, Leeds LS1 3AB.

ANY PERSON aggrieved by or desiring to question the validity of or any provision within the Order, on the grounds that it is not within the powers of the above Act or that any requirement or regulation made has not been complied with, may, within 6 weeks of 14 October 2015 apply to the High Court for the suspension or quashing of the Order or of any provision included.

*D Candlish*, Department for Transport

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