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| **Responses received in relation to EIA report submission of 14th March 2019** |
| **JRC**  | **Wind Farm Team** | windfarms@jrc.co.uk | 24/04/2019 | Objects, as the proposed development breaches limits:***TURBINE:******Kirkan Wind Farm (Apr 2019) T2 hub 104m blades 71m******Grid ref OSGB 235872 868005******Microwave Point to Point:******GARVE RS ROSS & CROMARTY IV2******to LOCH GLASCANOCH******-----------------------------------------******TURBINE:******Kirkan Wind Farm (Apr 2019) T3 hub 104m blades 71m******Grid ref OSGB 236288 868428******Microwave Point to Point:******GARVE RS ROSS & CROMARTY IV2******to LOCH GLASCANOCH******-----------------------------------------******TURBINE:******Kirkan Wind Farm (Apr 2019) T5 hub 104m blades 71m******Grid ref OSGB 236279 867953******Microwave Point to Point:******GARVE RS ROSS & CROMARTY IV2******to LOCH GLASCANOCH******-----------------------------------------******TURBINE:******Kirkan Wind Farm (Apr 2019) T8 hub 104m blades 71m******Grid ref OSGB 236272 867532******Microwave Point to Point:******GARVE RS ROSS & CROMARTY IV2******to LOCH GLASCANOCH******-----------------------------------------******TURBINE:******Kirkan Wind Farm (Apr 2019) T9 hub 104m blades 71m******Grid ref OSGB 236692 867870******Microwave Point to Point:******GARVE RS ROSS & CROMARTY IV2******to LOCH GLASCANOCH******-----------------------------------------******TURBINE:******Kirkan Wind Farm (Apr 2019) T12 hub 104m blades 71m******Grid ref OSGB 236642 867329******Microwave Point to Point:******GARVE RS ROSS & CROMARTY IV2******to LOCH GLASCANOCH******-----------------------------------------******TURBINE:***3***Kirkan Wind Farm (Apr 2019) T15 hub 104m blades 71m******Grid ref OSGB 236864 867151******Microwave Point to Point:******GARVE RS ROSS & CROMARTY IV2******to LOCH GLASCANOCH******-----------------------------------------******TURBINE:******Kirkan Wind Farm (Apr 2019) T16 hub 104m blades 71m******Grid ref OSGB 237068 867559******Microwave Point to Point:******GARVE RS ROSS & CROMARTY IV2******to LOCH GLASCANOCH******-----------------------------------------******TURBINE:******Kirkan Wind Farm (Apr 2019) T17 hub 104m blades 71m******Grid ref OSGB 236738 866676******Microwave Point to Point:******GARVE RS ROSS & CROMARTY IV2******to LOCH GLASCANOCH******-----------------------------------------******Operated by: The Local Electricity Utility***The JRC objection shall be withdrawn after simple analysis shows no issues; when a satisfactory coordination has been achieved and the zone of protection is implemented; or when an appropriate mitigation agreement is in place. | Trevor Hunter to progress mitigation solution in consultation with JRC. |
| **BT** | **Paul Atkinson** | radionetworkprotection@bt.com(paul.3.atkinson@openreach.co.uk) | 24/04/2019 Email to ECU | They were unable to locate relevant information such as the rotor blade diameter, hub height, or the 17 x grid reference to provide an answer on whether the wind farm would interfere with BT’s radio network. | Trevor to provide following information: * rotor blade diameter
* hub height or
* Grid reference for each turbine
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| **Fisheries Management Trust** | **Brian Davidson** | brian@fms.scot | 25/04/2019 Email to ECU | Comment that they will be alerting the relevant DSFB/Trust to the proposal. | Consultation relates to pre-SEI layout. No action required |
| **NATS**  | **NATS Safeguarding** | NATSSafeguarding@nats.co.uk | 26/04/2019Email to ECU | Proposed development does not conflict with their safeguarding criteria. | Consultation relates to pre-SEI layout. Consider consulting again with updated layout information (Action on RSK and Trevor H to decide.) |
| **Scottish Water** | **Angela Allison** | Angela.allison@scottishwater.co.uk | 29/04/2019Email to ECU | Confirmed that there’s no water or waste water infrastructure within the vicinity of the proposed development. Confirmed there are no Scottish Water drinking water catchments or water abstraction sources in the area affected by the proposed development. | Consultation relates to pre-SEI layout. No action required as updated layout not significant change in relation to SW assets |
| **Mountaineering Scotland** | **Stuart Younie** | The GranaryWest Mill StreetPerth PH1 5QPTel: 01738 493 942 | 07/05/2019 | Should resubmit with a revised cumulative analysis to take into account Lochluichart Extension 2. Without a consideration of this, the EIA is seriously flawed.Objects to major adverse visual impacts.Their assessment of the hill viewpoints classified more to be significantly effected than in the EIAR. This included:Ben Wyvis (VP6), Little Wyvis (VP 19), Sgurr Marcasaidh (VP 5), Sgurr a’Mhuillin (VP 8), An Coileachan (VP 13), Beinn Dearg 9VP 14), and Meall a Ghrianain (VP 15). | Consultation relates to pre-SEI layout. Brian Denney to consider in the round |
| **Crown Estate Scotland** | **Joan McGrogan** | Joan.mcgrogan@crownestatescotland.com | 07/05/2019 Email to ECU | Assets are not affected by this proposal. | Consultation relates to pre-SEI layout. No action required |
| **The British Horse Society** | **Helene Mauchlen** | Helene.mauchlen@bhs.org.uk | 08/05/2019 Email to ECU | Ensure public access (including equestrian access and the needs of horse riders) is considered during the project. | Consultation relates to pre-SEI layout. No action required |
| **Garve and District Community Council** | **Jennifer Haslam** | Garveanddistrictcc@yahoo.com | 09/05/2019 Email to ECU | No objection to the application. | Consultation relates to pre-SEI layout. No action required |
| **Defence Infrastructure Organisation (DIO)** | **Teena Oulaghan** | Ministry of DefenceSafeguarding DepartmentKingston RoadSutton ColdfieldWest Midlands B75 7RLUnited Kingdom079701790934teena.oulaghan100@mod.gov.uk  | 15/05/2019 email to ECU | No objection from Ministry of Defence (MOD).Request the development should be fitted with MOD accredited aviation safety lighting in accordance with the Civil Aviation Authority, Air Navigation Order 2016.Request to be consulted again if development is changed. | Consultation relates to pre-SEI layout. Consider re-consulting in light of proposed changes to layout (action for Malcolm Spaven?) |
| **SEPA** | **Aden McCorkell** | Planning.dingwall@SEPA.org.ukPCS/164876 | 22/05/2019 Email to ECU | Objects due to lack of information.* Access track: site access options appraised with overlaying NVC and peat depth survey. Information on current condition of drovers route supported by site photos. Should provide information to support that the proposed access track is an environmentally better alternative than utilising the existing neighbouring wind farm access.
* Battery storage: Amend Figure 2.10 or another plan, to show that the battery storage area is bunded with appropriate drainage. Further information should be provided on the environmental risks associated with battery storage (i.e. spills, leakages etc) that need to be mitigated for.
* Peat: Turbines 5, 7, 16 result in largest peat excavations. Provide a more detailed peat depth survey map to clearly show each probe with corresponding peat depth at a scale which allows clear interpretation of the data and alternatives.
* Peat Management Plan: Asks for the plan to be modified with certain information quoted within the letter (regarding dressing off verges and edges of infrastructure, restoration of borrow pits, peat turves, and construction of cut batters along access tracks).
* Borrow Pits: Asks for the restoration profile to be provided, especially as this is to utilise 24,700m3 of peat and proposed depth up to 2m, The information should be provided on a cross section to make it clear to site operatives what is required.
 | Consultation relates to pre-SEI layout. Correspondence with SEPA and subsequent SEI submitted to seek to remove SEPA’s reasons for objection. See further consultation below. |
| **VisitScotland** | **Douglas Keith** |  | 23/05/19 Email to ECU | General letter on tourism, no specific comment on Kirkan or the proposal. | Consultation relates to pre-SEI layout. No action required |
| **John Muir Trust** | **John Low** | John.Low@johnmuirtrust.org | 23/05/2019 Email to ECU | Objects. Cumulative impacts with the Lochluichart Ext 2 development should be considered. Asks that we produce visualisations incorporating both developments. They are of the opinion that Kirkan (by itself or in conjunction with Lochluichart Ext 2) would be a significant and highly detrimental effect both in terms of ‘Combined Visibility’ and ‘sequential impact’.Peat Management Plan – of the opinion that the PMP is ‘inadequate even as a baseline’ and ‘lacks any significant detail’. Habitat Management Plan and Peat Management Plan – make little attempt to address the use of excavated peat. Little substantive detail given in respect of peatland restoration.  | Consultation relates to pre-SEI layout. |
| **Scottish Forestry** | **Agata Baranska** | Highland.cons@forestry.gov.scot | 23/05/2019 Email to ECU | Would like for compensatory planting to be a condition of planning consent (16.6 ha, as per the EIAR), and that no felling is permitted before the compensatory planting plan is approved by Scottish Forestry. | Consultation (and volume of forestry to be felled) relates to pre-SEI layout.Action – RSK to re-calculate volume of forestry to be felled if the project is amended. |
| **Marine Scotland**  | **Dr Emily E. Bridcut** | Emily.bridcut@gov.scot | 23/05/2019 Email to ECU | MSS recommends that the developer carries out site characterisation surveys to assess the presence and abundance of fish species in the watercourses. From this information the developer should establish a robust integrated water quality and fish population monitoring programme to try to ensure fish populations, which are already under pressure as a result of the hydro-electric scheme, are protected from impacts associated with the proposed wind farm development. | Recommendations to be included in schedule of mitigation and/or as a condition of consent. |
| **Kyle of Sutherland Fisheries** | **Dr Keith Williams** | director@kylefisheries.org | 27/05/2019 Email to ECU | Does not wish to comment on the proposal. | No action required. |
| **Historic Environment Scotland** | **Urszula Szupszynska** | Urszula.Szupsznska@hes.scot  | 29/05/2019 Email to ECU | Does not object to the application. | Consultation relates to pre-SEI layout. Consider consultation for any amended scheme. |
| **Strathpeffer Community Council** | **Ron McAulay** |  | 29/05/2019 Email to ECU | No objections to the proposed development providing due care and attention is given to addressing local concerns regarding appearance, impact on local wildlife and the environment of the area. Would expect community funding of some sort to be available, and would like to register their interest in benefitting from such a funding source.  | Trevor H to consider in relation to community funding in the event of approval. |
| **Transport Scotland** | **John McDonald** | John.McDonald@transport.gov.scot | 30/05/2019 Email to ECU | No objection to the development. Requests that conditions are attached to any consent that may be granted. This includes conditions relating to abnormal loads, signing or temporary traffic control measures during delivery periods, wheel washing facilities, means of access to the trunk road, visibility splays, and a Construction Traffic Management Plan.  | Recommendations to be included in schedule of mitigation and/or as a condition of consent. |
| **RSPB Scotland** | **Alison Philip** | North Scotland Tel 01463 715000Office Fax 01408 715315Etive HouseBeechwood ParkInvernessIV2 3BW rspb.org.uk | 07/06/2019Email to ECU | No objection. Concerns raised about potential impacts on priority species and habitats. Recommendation to ECU to include conditions in Annex 2 of letter as part of conditions of consent. | Consider including recommendations in Annex 2 as a condition of consent. |
| **ScotWays** | **Lynda L Grant** | info@scotways.com  | 12/06/2019 Email to ECU | Highlighted Right of Way HR46, known as the *Fish Road*. Request that a diversion of the Right of Way be put in place prior to construction.Missing information in relation to rights of way on Figure 4.4 Transportation Routes, Recreational Routes and Summits. Concern about separation distance between Turbines 10 and 13 and right of way HR46. Seeking confirmation of minimum separation distance of the turbines from this route.**Objection** on the basis that recreational baseline in Figure 4.4 is incomplete, and blocking of public access along a right of way during construction period. | Consultation relates to pre-SEI layout.Actions – RSK: write to ScotWays to confirm temporary diversion of Right of Way during construction phase, and confirm separation distances of nearest turbines to HR46. Brian Denney to update Figure 4.4. |
| **The Highland Council Historic Environment Team (HET)** | **Kirsty Cameron** | kirsty.cameron@highland.gov.uk 01463 702504 | 14/06/2019 Email to ECU | Review of Appendix 5.2 of the EIA. No condition required for this application. | Consultation relates to pre-SEI layout.Action taken – 21/06/2019 Trevor H provided HET with all the relevant Archaeology and Cultural Heritage documentation from the EIAR. |
| **Highlands and Islands Airports Ltd (HIAL)** | **Safeguarding Team** | Head Office, Inverness Airport, Inverness IV2 7JB01667 464244 (DIRECT DIAL) safeguarding@hial.co.uk HIAL Ref 2019/0023/INV | 27/06/2019 Email to ECU | No objection. Request for a steady red omnidirectional aviation warning light of 200 candela would be required on the hub height of the turbines. | Note for Malcolm Spaven re: aviation lighting request. |
| **Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH)** | **George Hogg** | Nathan.mclaughlan@nature.scotGeorge.hogg@nature.scot SNH Ref CNS/REN/WF/155235 | 02/07/2019 | **Objection** until further information is provided by applicant: * Comparative ZTV illustrating the current extent of visible lighting from the current cardinal lights (which we understand are 200 candela) and the proposed Kirkan lights.
* Photomontages of the proposed aviation lighting from within WLAs 28 and 29.
* Wireframes from within WLAs 28 and 29 clearly identifying the current lit turbines and the proposed turbines.
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| **Ironside Farrar on behalf of ECU**  | **Nick Matheson** | None provided | 23/07/2019 Issued to ECU | Peat landslide risk assessment Stage 1 checking report provided. Recommendations proposed within the peat land slide risk assessment (PLHRA)  | Note not included on ECU website |
| **SEPA** | **Aden McCorkell** | Planning.dingwall@SEPA.org.ukPCS/164876 | 31/07/2019 Email to ECU | **Objection** on the following elements:* Maintain objection for access track to turbine 2
* Maintain objection due to deep peat around proposed locations of Turbines 5, 7 and 16.
* Use of corrugated plastic sheeting in the creation of the cell bund walls in borrow pit reinstatement.
 | Consultation relates to pre-SEI layout. Correspondence with SEPA and subsequent SEI submitted to seek to remove SEPA’s reasons for objection. See further consultation below. |

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| **Responses received in relation to Supplementary Environmental Information submission of 24th October 2019** |
| **DIO** | **Jill Roberts****Assistant Safeguarding Manager** | Ref: DIO10043421  | 04/11/2019 email to ECU | No material change to either the location or the dimensions to the turbines as submitted in the Section 36, therefore the MOD has no objection | Consider re-consulting in light of proposed changes to layout (action for Malcolm Spaven?) |
| **NATS**  | **NATS Safeguarding** | NATSSafeguarding@nats.co.uk Ref: SG26311 | 07/11/2019Email to ECU | Proposed development does not conflict with their safeguarding criteria. | Consider consulting again with updated layout information (Action on RSK and Trevor H to decide.) |
| **Transport Scotland** | **Gerard McPhillips** | Redacted | 13/11/2019 Email to ECU | No objection to the development. Transport Scotland’s previous conclusions as presented in ourletter of 30th May 2019 remain valid. | No action required |
| **Crown Estate Scotland** | **Joan McGrogan** | Joan.mcgrogan@crownestatescotland.com | 14/11/2019 Email to ECU | No further comments | No action required |
| **Marine Scotland**  | **Dr Emily E. Bridcut** | Emily.bridcut@gov.scotRef: FL/17-7 | 18/11/2019 Email to ECU | No further comment – reiteration of earlier advice and recommendations. | No further action required |
| **VisitScotland** | **Douglas Keith** |  | 19/11/19 Email to ECU | General letter on tourism, no specific comment on Kirkan or the proposal. | No action required |
| **ScotWays** | **Lynda L Grant** | info@scotways.com  | 19/11/2019 Email to ECU | No further comment – reiteration of earlier advice and re-stating previous objection. | No further action required |
| **Historic Environment Scotland** | **Urszula Szupszynska** | Urszula.Szupsznska@hes.scot  | 20/11/2019 Email to ECU | No change to previous advice provided in a letter of 29 May 2019. | No further action required. Consider consultation for any amended scheme. |
| **RSPB Scotland** | **Alison Philip** | North Scotland Tel 01463 715000Office Fax 01408 715315Etive HouseBeechwood ParkInvernessIV2 3BW rspb.org.uk | 26/11/2019Email to ECU | No objection. Welcomes reduction in peat disturbance. Points to:* IPBES report on biodiversity released in May 2019
* the State of Nature 2019 report from October 2019.

Notes ‘In September 2019, the ScottishGovernment published its 2019‐2020 Programme for Government, which recognised the way that both biodiversity and climate change crisis are interrelated, stating “We recognise the importance of biodiversity and the complexities and challenges that tackling its loss presents. Biodiversity loss and the climate emergency are intimately bound together: nature plays a key role in defining and regulating our climate and climate is key in shaping the state of nature”.’ | David Bell to consider whether referencing the documents cited and quoted might be worthwhile. |
| **Highlands and Islands Airports Ltd (HIAL)** | **Safeguarding Team** | Head Office, Inverness Airport, Inverness IV2 7JB01667 464244 (DIRECT DIAL) safeguarding@hial.co.uk HIAL Ref 2019/0023/INV | 28/11/2019 Email to ECU | No change to previous response of 27 June 19. | Note for Malcolm Spaven re: aviation lighting request. |
| **SEPA** | **Aden McCorkell** | Planning.dingwall@SEPA.org.ukPCS/168495 | 29/11/2019 Email to ECU | **Maintains objection** due to impacts on peat and carbon. Request for further information be supplied on peat depths at Turbine 7. Requests consent conditions be attached to any consent. | See further correspondence of 07/01/2020 below. |
| 1.1 Request information on battery energy storage area be submitted by **condition**.2.2 Turbine 5 – noted move into shallower peat. Notes “could have been minimised further by simply going east by a few metres more.”Turbine 7 **maintain objection** and requests “that a site plan of the peat probe locations and infrastructure located at Turbine 7 be submitted at a more detailed scale, as it is not clear using the peat probe depths as references whether the infrastructure has been repositioned. We previously asked that the turbine be relocated 50-70m north into shallower peat (56 and 27cm depths as opposed depths of 1-2m).”Turbine 16 welcomes amendment to avoid areas of deep peat.2.3 Requests **condition** is applied “to any grant of consent for micrositing not to exceed 50m and that this limit be only acceptable in areas of equal or lesser peat depths.”Restate that a Peat Management Plan (PMP) cover points in Section 3.3 from previous correspondence of 22nd May 2019.3.1 Request for following information be provided by **condition** as part of PMP:* Avoid use of corrugated plastic sheeting in borrow pit restoration.
* Clarification of reinstatement of borrow pits with topsoil.
 | Recommendations to be included in schedule of mitigation and/or as a condition of consent. |
| **Scottish Forestry** | **Agata Baranska** | Highland.cons@forestry.gov.scot | 02/12/2019 Email to ECU | No change to previous response of 23 May 19. | No further action required |
| **John Muir Trust** | **Rosie Simpson** | rosie.simpson@johnmuirtrust.org  | 03/12/2019 Email to ECU | Email to ECU requesting the JMT objection of May 2019 be uploaded to the ECU portal. | No further action required |
| **SEPA** | **Aden McCorkell** | Planning.dingwall@SEPA.org.ukPCS/ | 07/01/2020 Email to Applicant | Accepted that T5 had not moved location following clarification from the applicant.**Maintains objection** requesting Turbines 5 and 7 be moved to shallower peat. | Correspond with SEPA and/or move T7 and T5 to remove reason for objection. |
| **SNH** | **Graham Neville****Area Manager** | Nathan.mclaughlan@nature.scotgraham.neville@nature.scot Ref: CNS/REN/WF/157312 | 12/02/2020 | **Objection** “due to the significant adverse effects on the qualities of wild land areas (WLA) 28 Fisherfield – Letterewe - Fannichs, and 29, Rhiddorroch - Beinn Dearg - Ben Wyvis. However, we consider that a wind farm may be accommodated on this site subject to the significant effects of the turbine lighting being substantially reduced.”“Due to the poor design of the proposal, as a result of the 175m turbines contrasting with the neighbouring existing smaller 125m turbines, there will be significant adverse effects on the qualities of WLAs 28 and 29.” | Brian Denney to work with Malcolm Spaven and Trevor to identify actual lighting scheme to be committed to by applicant and accepted by CAA.Brian D to prepare landscape case on basis of revised layout and lighting scheme. |
| **SNH** | **Nathan McLaughlan** | Nathan.mclaughlan@nature.scot | 24/04/2020 | Acknowledgement of minor error in July 2019 response. No other change. | No further action required |
| **The Highland Council (THC)** | **Simon Hindson** | 01463 785047E-mail: simon.hindson@highland.gov.ukRef: 19/01861/S36 | 15/06/2020Email | **Objection** * Policy 67 (Renewable Energy), Policy 28 (Sustainable Design) of the HwLDP: significantly detrimental visual impact particularly as viewed from travellers, including tourists, and recreational users of the outdoors in the wider vicinity of the site
* Policy 67and Policy 57 (Natural, Built and Cultural Heritage) of HwLDP and SPP due to impacts to Wild Land Area 28 (Fisherfield – Letterewe – Fannichs) and Wild Land Area 29 (Rhidodoroch – Beinn Dearg – Ben Wyvis)
 | Consultation relates to pre-SEI layout.Note to Brian Denney re: objection on landscape grounds |
|  | **Report****Environmental Health Officer** does not object to the application. He considers it would be **difficult** for the development to accurately assess the impact from the proposed Lochluichart Extension 2 Wind Farm unless both proposals are using the same figures. He notes that whichever application is decided last will need to review their noise assessment. He considers that a stand alone noise condition for this wind farm would not be enforceable.**Flood Risk Management** Team request a condition of consent being to secure the proposed 50m buffer of development rom the top of the banks of watercourse / waterbody. It requests the attenuation volumes for surface water run off to be provided to greenfield run off rates.**Transport Planning** requests conditions to secure a construction traffic management plan and an abnormal load route assessment | RSK to engage with Hoare Lea re: noise condition and cumulativeInfoInfo  |