



Electricity Act 1989 (Sections 36, 37, 62(3) & Schedule 8)

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (Section 90)

and the

The Electricity Generating Stations and Overhead Lines (Inquiries Procedure)(England and Wales) Rules 2007

Application by Vattenfall, dated 30 November 2007 for consent under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 to construct and operate a 59.5MW wind turbine generating station in Powys, Mid Wales ('Llanbadarn Fynydd')

Application by Fferm Wynt Llaithddu Cyf, dated 7 May 2008 for consent under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 to construct and operate a 66.7 MW wind turbine generating station in Powys, Mid Wales ('Llaithddu')

Application by CeltPower Limited, dated 9 May 2008 for consent under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 to construct and operate a 126MW wind turbine generating station in Powys, Mid Wales ('Llandinam')

Application by RES UK & Ireland Limited, dated 27 March 2009 for consent under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 to construct and operate a 100MW wind turbine generating station in Powys, Mid Wales ('Llanbrynmair')

Application by RWE NPower Renewables Limited, dated 11 December 2008 for consent under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 to construct and operate a 130-250MW wind turbine generating station in Powys, Mid Wales ('Carnedd Wen')

Application by SP Manweb PLC, dated 2 December 2009 for consent under Section 37 of the Electricity Act 1989 to install and keep installed a 132kV overhead electric line connection from the proposed Llandinam Wind Farm to Welshpool Substation

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Inspector Note on Session 1 Programming

Topic 1 - transport

This should be confined to local transport issues, ie off the main trunk routes. PCC raise no objection re Llanbadarn Ffynydd. NRW say there is insufficient information re Llaithddu / Llandinam local access route. There may be some questions, and a need to discuss conditions. I would suggest 1 day would be ample - say 3 Sept

Topic 2 - noise and health

As PCC will not be bringing evidence I presume there will be no need for cross examination. I would suggest 1 day would be ample for discussion/questions and a round table discussion on conditions - say 4 Sept.

Topic 3 - cultural (historic) heritage

As PCC no longer objects in relation to Llandinam / effect on Carsws basin the outstanding issues seem to relate mainly to PCCs addendum statement re Llanbadarn Fynydd. I agree that 1.5 - 2 days would be an appropriate allowance to deal with this (formal presentation of cases and cross examination) and any questions 'from the floor'. Suggest 5/6 Sept.

Topic 4 - peat/hydrology

Largely a matter of micro-siting and construction methodology? Depends on degree of agreement with NRW, but assuming a large degree of common ground and no need for formal cross examination I would suggest 1 day would suffice, including time for questions & discussion on conditions. 9 Sept?

Topic 4 - wildlife

Again largely depends on degree of agreement with NRW, but may boil down to conditions. Assuming a good degree of common ground with NRW I would suggest 1 day should suffice, including questions and discussion on conditions. 10 Sept?

I would suggest holding 11/13 Sept in reserve, but 'standing down' week commencing 16 Sept. For personal reasons if we need to use 12 September I will be asking for a short day, finishing about 15:00.

Topic 5 - landscape

This seems to be the main issue. PPC may not want to XX the Llandinam witness and present evidence in respect of Llandinam, but maintain an objection to the southern part of Llaithddu and Llanbadrn Fynydd. The Alliance may also want to bring some evidence re the visual impact of the proposals, individually and collectively. 4 days would seem to be a sensible allowance. The timing will be dependent on availability of witnesses. Could we use 2-4 October?

Local residents concerns

I suggest allowing 1.5 days to local residents and interest groups wanting to make statements of objection at the venue (including the objector with concerns about aviation), followed by an evening session at a venue local to Area C. Suggest 8 & 9 October.

Again, I would suggest holding 10 & 11 October in reserve, but standing down week 15-18 October.

I would appreciate it if all parties consider these thoughts for discussion and final input from them.

Andrew Poulter

Inspector

21st August 2013