



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

Cyf ffeil/File ref:

Conjoined Public Inquiry
Structured Hearing Session: Planning Balance
Tuesday 20 May 2014

AGENDA

1.0 Inspector's Introduction and Procedural Matters

2.0 Principal Matters for Discussion (as identified by the Inspector):

- 2.1 Weight to be given to indicative capacity targets/limits set out in TAN 8, as clarified in WG Ministerial letters in 2011, and:
- 2.2 If substantial weight is to be given to those targets/limits, how should consideration be given to the schemes before the inquiry, in the circumstances that schemes that are found to be acceptable on their individual merits exceed the identified targets/limits.
- 2.3 Could consent could be granted for the FWLC scheme in part only? (FWLC/PCC).
(The above matters may be particularly relevant to SSA C only)
- 2.4 Carnedd Wen / PCC: Is there in-principle agreement that balance to be struck relates to the additional visual impact of the disputed 5 turbines v their benefits in electricity generation terms?
- 2.4 Carnedd Wen, Llanbrynmair / NRW: O/A balance on environmental issues, or an over-riding effect on the SNP?

3.0 Other Matters for Discussion

- 3.1 Alliance (Mr Kibble) POE: Carbon balance as a factor in the O/A planning balance.

4.0 Any Other matters relating to evidence on the planning balance

Notes: The purpose of this session is not to inquire into the differences between the parties on topics such as landscape, visual, or other environmental effects: these has been covered in earlier sessions. Given that the parties differ on various issues it is inevitable that the planning witnesses' assessments of the planning balance will differ. Rather, the Inspector wishes to focus on differences in approaches to planning policy and the formulation of the planning balance where they exist. The principle matters for discussion identified by the inspector reflect his understanding of where those differences lie, or where discussion of those matters may assist in his recommendations with regard to the planning balance. The agenda also allows for discussion of the Alliance proof relating to carbon balance, and any other matters that the parties may wish to raise. It anticipated that discussions will take approximately 1 day, but the opportunity is available for discussions to run over into Thursday 22 May if necessary.