

Statement of Common Ground: Cultural Heritage

Llandinam Wind Farm

1. This is a statement of common ground arrived at for the Mid-Wales Wind Farm Inquiry between CeltPower Ltd (CPL), and Powys County Council (PCC), relating to the effects of the Llandinam wind farm repowering and extension on the historic environment.
2. This Statement of Common Ground follows changes to the Development proposal presented in the 2013 SEI, in particular the removal of the five most prominent turbines from the north-western edge of the Development. It also results from a meeting held between representatives of CPL and PCC at Llandrindod Wells on 20 May 2013 during which the effects of the wind farm were discussed. Following the meeting, basic wireframe models for five additional Cultural Heritage Viewpoints (CH1-5) were prepared by Optimised Environments Limited on behalf of CeltPower, together with a concise written assessment prepared by Jonathan Edis of Heritage Collective LLP. These wireframes, which were submitted to PCC, related to impacts on the Caersws Basin and Clywedog Registered Historic Landscapes, and on the setting of a grade II listed building, called Broneirion, and its associated designed landscape. The written assessment also addressed impacts on the setting of a grade II listed building called Plas Dinam.
3. Having considered the further information supplied in the 2013 SEI and Viewpoints CH1-5, it is agreed that the removal of the five most prominent turbines from the north-western edge of the Development has removed PCC's objections relating to the impact on the Caersws Basin Landscape of Special Historic Interest, the Clywedog Valley Landscape of Special Historic Interest and the grade II listed buildings known as Broneirion and Plas Dinam.

Both parties therefore agree that PCC's objections on cultural heritage grounds have been resolved, subject to a condition applied to any planning consent ensuring that no development shall commence until the Company has secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological work in accordance with a written scheme of investigation which has been submitted to and approved in writing by Powys County Council.

Signed of behalf of Celtpower 24 July 2013:

Jonathan Edis

Signed on behalf of Powys County Council

29 July 2013

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