

## Statement of Common Ground: Landscape & Visual - 10 July 2013

### Llandinam Repowering and Extension 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 Repowering and Extension wind farm (the Proposed Llandinam windfarm) in respect of landscape and visual matters. [PCC has no objection to the Proposed Llandinam windfarm on landscape grounds.](#)

2. This Statement of Common Ground results from 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 in detail.

3. Having considered the further information supplied in the 2013 SEI, PCC agrees the following matters:

(i) the existing Llandinam windfarm has a defining influence on the physical character and visual amenity of the application site, which is integral to the acceptability of the proposed repowering and extension proposals, in landscape and visual terms;

(ii) the Proposed Llandinam windfarm would not have any significant effects on any relevant landscape designations within or surrounding the site;

(iii) the significant landscape effects of the Proposed Llandinam windfarm on the character of the site and surrounding area, as identified within the 2008 ES, the 2011 SEI and the 2013 SEI are considered to be acceptable, in landscape terms;

(iv) the significant visual effects of the Proposed Llandinam windfarm [identified](#) on views and visual amenity within and surrounding the site are considered to be acceptable, in visual terms;

(v) the significant visual effects of the Proposed Llandinam windfarm identified in relation to ~~some~~ settlements and residential property surrounding the site ~~are~~ within acceptable parameters and would not lead to any overbearing or overwhelming effects on visual amenity;

(vi) taken in combination with existing and consented windfarms in Mid Wales, the Proposed Llandinam windfarm would not introduce any unacceptable cumulative landscape and visual effects;

(vii) the effects of the highway improvements to the local access road to the windfarm, as indicated within the 2013 SEI, are within acceptable tolerances and would not lead to any significant landscape and visual effects;

4. Both parties therefore agree that PCC's objections to the Proposed Llandinam windfarm, on landscape and visual grounds, have been fully resolved.