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CELTPOWER: PROOF OF EVIDENCE ON PLANNING BALANCE

APPENDIX 1: SUMMARY OF POSITION REACHED WITH WELSH GOVERNMENT, POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL AND NRW

Specified issue	Welsh Government	Powys County Council	Natural Resources Wales
General comments	The Welsh Government only asserted concerns in relation to transport matters. These have subsequently been resolved. See below.	<p>The Council stated in paragraph 3.3.1 of its statement of case for session 4:</p> <p>“Llandinam windfarm can be accommodated within the environmental capacity of the area subject to demonstrating that they will not have unacceptable impacts through the proposed strategic transport route and subject to resolving the outstanding NRW objections”</p> <p>Objections from statutory consultees relating to the transport route have been withdrawn as set out below. The NRW objections have been resolved.</p>	By letter dated 17 February 2014 (CON-003-012) NRW indicated agreement with the Council's position in paragraph 3.3.1 of its statement of case for session 4. Outstanding NRW objections have since been resolved.

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<p>The individual landscape and visual impact of the repowered Llandinam Windfarm and its impact in combination with other proposed developments that are before the inquiry; and cumulative impact with other wind farms in the Powys area which have already been granted planning permission or where planning permission has been applied for</p>	<p>No objection</p>	<p>The Council has withdrawn its objection on grounds of landscape and visual impacts of the repowered Llandinam Windfarm.</p> <p>The Council does consider the landscape and visual effects of all proposed Mid-Wales windfarms if consented would be unacceptable. The Council has entered into the following statements of common ground in respect of Llandinam:</p> <p>CPL-SOCG-009A with regard to the effects of Llandinam individually and cumulatively with existing and consented development</p> <p>CPL-OBJ-002-SOCG-LAND-S4 with regard to the cumulative effects of Llandinam</p> <p>SOCG-LAND-S4 with regard to the cumulative effects of all windfarms before the inquiry.</p>	<p>Following the redesign of the windfarm in April 2013, NRW withdrew its objection relating to impact upon the Caersws Basin landscape of Historic Interest. It has no other specific objection to the application.</p>

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<p>The impact of construction traffic on the surrounding locality of the proposed Llandinam Windfarm individually and in combination with other proposed developments subject of the inquiry including transportation access routes and traffic management, taking into account the cumulative impact with other wind farms in the Powys area which have already been granted planning permission or where planning permission has been applied for;</p>	<p>By letters dated 25 February 2014 (CON-001-POE-S4-CPL) and 28th March 2014 (CON-001-008), the Welsh Government's Transport division indicated it considered the AIL routeing for Llandinam was acceptable subject to conditions. It had no objection relating to non-AIL traffic.</p>	<p>The evidence of Mr David Williams and Mr Mike Axon was to the effect that the Council, subject to conditions, had no objection to the Llandinam scheme. See Mr Williams's proof (OBJ002(PCC)-TRANSPORT-POE-WILLIAMS-SSA-C) para 37 and Mr Axon's proof (OBJ-002-TRANS-POE-AXON-S4) para 2.25.</p>	<p>No objection. Reference is made to the bailey bridge in the statement of common ground between CeltPower and NRW relating to the River Wye SAC: CPL-SOCG-HYDRO-CON-003-S4</p>
<p>The impact of noise generated during the construction and from the operation of the proposed Llandinam Windfarm individually and in combination with other proposed developments subject of the inquiry taking into account the cumulative impact with other wind farms in the Powys area which have already been granted planning permission or where planning permission has been applied for;</p>	<p>No objection</p>	<p>Noise can be managed at an acceptable level by condition. A statement of common ground was agreed between the Council and CeltPower setting out a draft condition: CPL-SOCG-004A. The Council's witness took no position on the need for a condition to assess and regulate amplitude modulation.</p>	<p>No objection</p>

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<p>The individual and cumulative impact of the proposed Llandinam Windfarm on biodiversity including the ecological functioning of European Protected Sites (e.g. the River Wye Special Area for Conservation (SAC), Berwyn Special Protection Area (SPA) and South Clwyd Mountains (SAC); impacts on European Protected Species under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010 (as amended) "(the Habitats Regulations)"; and the likely effectiveness of proposed mitigation measures;</p>	<p>No objection</p>	<p>The Council indicated that it would not lead evidence on biodiversity at the inquiry. The Council would be satisfied on the point if NRW was satisfied. The Council therefore has no outstanding objection.</p>	<p>NRW has withdrawn its objections subject to conditions. It has concluded the following statements of common ground with CeltPower:</p> <p>peat and peatland habitats: CPL-SOCG-010</p> <p>bats: CPL-SOCG-001A</p> <p>curlew: CPL-SOCG-002B</p> <p>in-combination effects on the River Wye SAC: CPL-SOCG-HYDRO-CON-003-S4</p>
<p>the social and economic impact of the proposed Llandinam Windfarm individually and cumulatively; including on tourism</p>	<p>No objection</p>	<p>No objection.</p> <p>By an addendum to its outline statement of case, the Council indicated it does not object on the ground of socio-economic impact to the Llandinam repowering having found "insufficient evidence to support an impact on socio-economic interests of sufficient magnitude to give rise to a refusal of some or all of the projects [before the Inquiry] on this ground".</p>	<p>No objection</p>

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the potential impact of the repowering of the Llandinam Windfarm on human health	No objection	No objection (subject to conditions on noise and shadow flicker)	No objection
the impact of the repowering of the Llandinam Windfarm on cultural heritage	No objection	Objection withdrawn subject to a condition requiring implementation of a programme of archaeological works. Statement of common ground concluded between Council and CeltPower: CPL-SOCG-008	Objection withdrawn following redesign of windfarm in April 2013 – see statement of case for session 1: CON-003-SOC-SSA-C-3 paragraph 7
the individual and combined impact on the repowering of the Llandinam Windfarm on aviation ;	No objection	No objection	No objection
the impact of the proposed Llandinam Windfarm on hydrology and hydrogeology , to include impacts on sensitive water features (streams, ponds, wetlands); impacts on private water supplies; fisheries and watercourses; and impacts on groundwater; and the likely effectiveness of proposed mitigation measures	No objection	The Council indicated that it would not lead evidence on hydrology and hydrogeology at the inquiry. The Council would be satisfied on the point if NRW was satisfied. The Council therefore has no outstanding objection.	NRW has withdrawn its objections subject to conditions. It has concluded the following statements of common ground with CeltPower: peat and peatland habitats: CPL-SOCG-010 in-combination effects on the River Wye SAC: CPL-SOCG-HYDRO-CON-003-S4
the impact of the repowering of the Llandinam Windfarm on peat	No objection	The Council indicated that it would not lead evidence on peat at the inquiry. The Council would be satisfied on the point if NRW was satisfied. The Council therefore has no outstanding objection.	NRW has withdrawn its objections subject to conditions. It has concluded the following statement of common ground with CeltPower: peat and peatland habitats: CPL-SOCG-010

