

Banks Renewables (Middle Muir Wind Farm) Limited

ELECTRICITY ACT 1989

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 (as amended)

ELECTRICITY ACT 1989 (SECTION 36C) THE ELECTRICITY GENERATING STATIONS (APPLICATIONS FOR VARIATION OF CONSENT) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2013

Notice is hereby given that Banks Renewables (Middle Muir Wind Farm) Limited (company registration number 7376956, with its registered office at Inkerman House, St Johns Road, Meadowfield, Durham County Durham, England, DH7 8XL) has applied to the Scottish Ministers under section 36C of the Electricity Act 1989 to vary the section 36 consent to construct and operate the Middle Muir Wind Farm, to the south east of Douglas in South Lanarkshire (central grid reference 285802E 626312N) consented on 22 March 2016 by Scottish Ministers ("the 2023 Variation Application").

The 2023 Variation Application seeks to extend the duration of the operational life of the wind farm from 25 years (current) to 40 years (proposed). No other changes are proposed. A summary of the 2023 Variation Application, a copy of the 2023 Variation Application, a link to the 2016 Variation consent decision letter, a link to the original Section 36 consent decision letter and the supporting letter and drawings in relation to the proposed 2023 Variation can be found at the following websites: <https://www.banksgroup.co.uk/projects/renewables/wind-farm-life-extensions/> or at www.energyconsents.scot.

The variation application and supporting documents are also available for inspection, free of charge, during normal opening hours at the Crawfordjohn Hall, Manse Road, Crawfordjohn ML12 6SR.

Copies of the variation application and environmental reports may be obtained from Banks Renewables (Middle Muir Wind Farm) Limited (via agent on ain.hynd@bartonwillmore.co.uk or 0131 220 7772) at a charge of £50 per hard copy and £25 on a CD or USB stick.

Representations on the application may be submitted to Scottish Ministers via the Scottish Government Energy Consents Unit, either via the website at <https://www.energyconsents.scot/Register.aspx>; by email to representations@gov.scot; or by post to Scottish Government Energy Consents Unit, 4th Floor, 5 Atlantic Quay, 150 Broomielaw, Glasgow, G2 8LU, identifying the proposal and specifying the grounds for representation.

Written or emailed representations should be dated, clearly stating the name (in block capitals), full return email and postal address of those making representations. Only representations sent by email to representations@gov.scot will receive acknowledgement.

All representations should be received not later than 18 May 2023 although Scottish Ministers may consider representations received after this date. Any subsequent substantive additional information which is submitted by the developer will be subject to further public notice in this manner, and representations on such information will be accepted as per this notice.

Where Scottish Ministers decide to exercise their discretion to do so, Scottish Ministers may cause a public inquiry to be held. Following examination of the environmental information and consideration of all representations and responses from consultees, Scottish Ministers will determine the application for variation of consent in one of two ways: vary the consent; or reject the proposal.

General Data Protection Regulations

The Scottish Government Energy Consents Unit processes applications under the Electricity Act 1989. To support transparency in decision making, the Scottish Government publishes representations online at www.energyconsents.scot. A privacy notice is published on the help page at www.energyconsents.scot. This explains how the Energy Consents Unit processes your personal information and includes contact details for any enquiries or complaints regarding how your personal data is handled.