

The Greenspan Agency 

Pre-Application Consultation Report

Battery Point Energy Storage Park

Site Address Land north of HM Coastguard Station, Battery Point, Stornoway, HS1 2RT

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Battery Point, Stornoway

A Note on the Site Name

The vicinity of the site was used as an artillery emplacement from the 18th to the 20th century, hence the name Battery Point. Now, in the 21st century, it is a fitting location for the island's first grid-scale battery energy storage system.

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1. Introduction

- 1.1. This Pre-Application Consultation (PAC) report has been prepared by The Greenspan Agency on behalf of the applicant, Point and Sandwick Trust, to accompany a planning application for a 25 MW battery storage park hereafter referred to as “Battery Point Energy Storage Park”.
- 1.2. This report has been prepared to meet statutory requirements for a ‘major’ application in accordance with The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013 (as amended). It documents the pre-application consultation with the public.
- 1.3. It has been agreed with Comhairle nan Eilean Siar¹, that the application should be classed as a ‘major application’ under The Town and Country Planning (Hierarchy of Developments) (Scotland) Regulations 2009, despite the small total area.
- 1.4. Pre-application consultation with the community should inform communities and empower them to contribute to emerging development proposals. Consultation can help address community issues, mitigate negative impacts and address misunderstandings, resulting in a better-quality planning application².
- 1.5. Throughout the pre-application process the applicant’s team made it clear to the public that any comments made by them were not representations to the Planning Authority and that opportunities for formal representation would be available through Comhairle nan Eilean Siar once the planning application was submitted.
- 1.6. The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013, as amended, set out what a ‘Pre-Application Consultation Report’ must include, as detailed in the quote below. This report has been prepared to meet these requirements.

“7B. A pre-application consultation report must contain—

(a) the dates on which, and places where, public events were held as required in accordance with regulation 7(2),

(b) a description of—

(i) any additional consultation or notification required by the planning authority in relation to the proposed application under section 35B(7) of the Act,

(ii) any additional steps taken by the prospective applicant to consult with members of the public as regards the proposed development,

(c) a list of bodies, groups and organisations who were consulted by the prospective applicant,

(d) evidence as to how the prospective applicant carried out the activities described under sub-paragraphs

(a), (b) and (c),

(e) copies of—

(i) any materials sent to consultees,

(ii) any materials provided to those attending a public event, and

¹ Email to Calum MacDonald, Point and Sandwick Trust, from Morag Ferguson, Comhairle nan Eilean Siar, 10/10/2022

² Planning Circular 3/2013: Development management procedures

- (iii) any visual presentation shown or displayed at a public event,*
- (f) photographs of any display boards or models at public events,*
- (g) confirmation as to whether consultees and attendees at public events were informed that pre-application consultation does not remove the right or the potential need to comment on the final application once it is made to the planning authority,*
 - (i) a summary of—*
 - (i) the written responses to consultations, and*
 - (ii) views raised at public events, including an indication of the number of written responses received and the number of persons who attended the public events,*
 - (j) an explanation of how the prospective applicant took account of views raised during the pre-application consultation process, and*
 - (k) an explanation of how members of the public were given feedback on the prospective applicant's consideration of the views raised during the pre-application consultation process.”*

2. Consultation

2.1. The table below provides an overview of how the statutory requirements of public consultation were met (in bold) and exceeded. The statutory requirement is to:

- “a) hold at least two public events where members of the public may make comments to the prospective applicant as regards the proposed development; and*
- b) publish in a local newspaper circulating in the locality in which the proposed development is situated”³.*

Table 1: Public Consultation Summary, statutory requirements in bold

Event	Advertisement
Public Consultation Event 1 , 21/11/22 – Newton Ward Community Association, 16:00-19:00	Isles FM radio and social media 04/11/22 Stornoway Gazette 10/11/22 Stornoway Gazette 17/11/22 Point and Sandwick Trust website, Facebook page, and Twitter
Public Consultation Event 2 , 15/12/22 – Stornoway Town Hall, 13:00-18:00	Isles FM radio and social media 13/12/22 Stornoway Gazette 01/12/22 Stornoway Gazette 08/12/22 Point and Sandwick Trust website, Facebook page, and Twitter

Proposal of Application Notice (PAN)

- 2.2. The original proposal of application notice (PAN) is replicated in the appendix of this report. It contains details of the proposed consultation events, an introduction to the project, and a location plan of the proposal. This was submitted to Comhairle nan Eilean Siar on 19/10/22, more than 12 weeks prior to the submission of this planning application (as per the requirements in legislation⁴).
- 2.3. When the PAN was submitted to Comhairle nan Eilean Siar it was also provided to Stornoway Community Council, Newton Ward Community Association, and the local councillors for Ward 10⁵.
- 2.4. On 21 October 2022 Comhairle nan Eilean Siar informed The Greenspan Agency that the PAN had been received.
- 2.5. The PAN was approved by Comhairle nan Eilean Siar on 31 October 2022, subject to additional requirements. These are detailed in the copy of the decision notice below. In summary these were:
- Further details as the form of events were to be provided: This was done via an email from Emma Menzies of The Greenspan Agency to Helen Macdonald of Comhairle nan Eilean Siar planning department dated 25 November 2022.
 - Promotion of the events through ‘local radio, online local news site and relevant social media’: The additional publicity measures were carried out. Evidence of this was provided in Emma

³ The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013, SSI 2013/155, Part 2, Regulation 7

⁴ Planning etc. (Scotland) Act 2006, 35B.

⁵ Email from Jack Cook, The Greenspan Agency, to Comhairle nan Eilean Siar Planning; Helen MacDonald, Comhairle nan Eilean Siar; Stornoway Community Council; Newton Ward Community Association; Angus McCormack, Councillor; Frances Murray, Councillor; George Murray, Councillor; and Rae Mackenzie, Councillor.

Menzies' email of 25 November 2022. Further records of the publicity are provided in the appendices to this report.

Advertisement

- 2.6. Adverts for the public events were published in the Stornoway Gazette in print and online on 10 November and 17 November 2022 for the first public event, and 01 December and 08 December 2022 for the second event (see appendix).
- 2.7. The events were also promoted by Isles FM on their breakfast and drive time shows, and social media, on 04 November and 13 December 2022.
- 2.8. The Point and Sandwich Trust promoted both events on their website, and through their social media in the run up to the event.
- 2.9. Local news outlets such as WeLoveStornoway.com published articles on the project which mentioned the public events, and the project has been promoted publicly since at least January 2022 (see appendix for January 2022 Press and Journal article).

Public Consultation Event 1

- 2.10. The first public consultation event was held at the Newton Ward Community Association, Seaforth Road, Stornoway, on Monday 21 November 2022 between 16:00 and 19:00.
- 2.11. This event was an exhibition drop-in session which encouraged any interested member of the public to discuss the project with a member of the team and ask questions.
- 2.12. Displays were shown of potential designs, the details of the site, and the planning process (see appendix). Leaflets were also provided of these displays for members of the public to take away with them, and feedback forms were provided for attendees to make comments.
- 2.13. The event was hosted by three members of the planning and design team for the project – Martyn Bentley and Jack Cook (The Greenspan Agency) and Calum Macdonald (Point and Sandwich Trust). It was made clear to all attendees that the design was subject to change, that comments made were not representations to the planning authority, and that comments could be made to Jack Cook by email or post until 14 December 2022.
- 2.14. There were five attendees at this event, two of these were members of Point and Sandwich Trust (Norman Mackenzie, Chairman, and Angus McCormack, Honorary President and Ward 10 Councillor), the other three were interested members of the public.

Public Consultation Event 2

- 2.15. The second public consultation event was held in Stornoway Town Hall, 20 South Beach, Stornoway HS1 2BJ on Thursday 15 December 2022 between 13:00 and 18:00.
- 2.16. This event followed the same format as the initial event with additional displays and information in response to the feedback from the first event. The event was hosted by Jack Cook (The Greenspan Agency) and Calum MacDonald (Point and Sandwick Trust).
- 2.17. The event was attended by 12 members of the public.

3. Consultation Comments and Feedback

Consultation Event 1

- 3.1. Three written responses were received from the first consultation event, as well as verbal comments through discussions about the project. Responses in general were positive.
- 3.2. The discussion included questions about:
 - The visual impact of containerised battery units in the absence of fencing or planting
 - Impacts of lithium mining
 - Lifecycle emissions of batteries
 - The effect on energy bills on the island
 - If it would directly benefit the people on the island.
- 3.3. The written responses were also positive. One wished us luck with the application, another stated a belief that the facility may eventually be a benefit to the island. The third response indicated their support for the project and that it would be a positive development for the local energy system, as well as stating: *“some concerns over noise but I think this could be mitigated”*.

Consultation Event 2

- 3.4. Eight feedback forms were returned, some of these were from couples so represented two people's views.
- 3.5. Those that attended had not been to the first event and were interested to learn about the project.
- 3.6. People commented on the fact that the site had been a rubbish dump, although it was not clear whether this was a formal use of the site.
- 3.7. Questions were asked about the noise produced during operation of the batteries, the local impact of the project, and the role it would play in the local and wider electricity grid. The Point and Sandwick Trust windfarm project was discussed and at least one attendee queried how the battery project would be connected to these turbines.
- 3.8. The developer's representatives did their best to answer all questions honestly and accurately.

- 3.9. Fencing and tree planting were also discussed with the public as a way to improve the visual impact of the project.
- 3.10. Of the eight feedback forms completed, five provided positive responses such as “*an interesting project to bring the islands on the edge of the world to the middle of community ownership*”, “*very worthwhile project*”, and “*good to do away with diesel as much as possible*”.
- 3.11. One written response from a neighbour to the site raised concerns about the safety of batteries, the loss of green view, and questioned the location choice.
- 3.12. Two feedback forms did not have any comments.
- 3.13. Following these comments and discussions, a noise assessment was carried out. A planting plan has also been completed to improve the visual attractiveness of the proposal. Both the noise assessment and planting plan have been submitted with the full planning application which accompanies this report.
- 3.14. The planning application supporting information has been written with the aim of addressing the matters raised by the public, particularly where these are planning matters.

Consultation Event Follow-up

- 3.15. After the two consultation events, members of the public who had attended either of the two events and provided their contact details were emailed. The general aim of the emails were as follows:
 - December 2022 – To thank members of the public for attending, and to provide them with a point of contact to obtain further information if they so wished.
 - April 2024 – To remind members of the public of the project. To provide them with a general update, let them know that a planning application will be submitted soon, and inform them of how their views were taken into account. This final point helps to meet regulation 7B(k) of The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013 which states that the ‘Pre-Application Consultation Report’ must include, “*an explanation of how members of the public were given feedback on the prospective applicant’s consideration of the views raised during the pre-application consultation process.*” While noise and landscape planting were being given due consideration by the applicant’s team prior to the consultation events, it is the case that these matters were mentioned by the public and the views of the public helped ensure that these matters were properly considered. The April 2024 emails to members of the public stated:

“The project team enjoyed our discussions with you and other members of the public during the consultation events. Your ideas have contributed to the design for which planning permission will now be sought. For example, the project will include new tree and hedge planting to enhance the appearance of the project and biodiversity, and an acoustic barrier will be included to protect nearby houses from any noise.”

Other Consultation

- 3.16. During October 2022 Calum MacDonald of the Point and Sandwick Trust sought comments from a member of the local community who had lived close to the site for around 60 years.
- 3.17. The neighbour⁶ noted that the site area was open shore until 1948 when the Goat Island causeway and sea wall were built. He mentioned the site had been used for dumping waste such as building rubble, and more recently harbour rubbish, so had not been a visually attractive area. He was hopeful that this proposed battery project would result in the removal of this unsightly waste and be a better use of the land than the current “wasteland”.
- 3.18. He commented that his initial opinion was *“to give this a welcome especially if we can have some environmental “additions” and guarantees regarding noise pollution”*.
- 3.19. Consultation with the planning authority, other Comhairle departments, and formal planning consultees such as SEPA and Scottish Water, are detailed in the separate Design and Access Statement provided with this planning application.

⁶ To maintain confidentiality The Greenspan Agency have chosen not to name the neighbour.

Appendixes

Appendix 1. Proposal of Application Notice



Proposal of Application Notice

To be completed in respect of national and major categories of development. Under the Town & Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 as amended by the Planning Etc (Scotland) Act 2006 and the Town and Country Planning (Pre-Application Consultation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2021.

The planning authority will respond within 21 days of receiving the Notice. It will advise whether the proposed Pre-Application Consultation is satisfactory or if additional notification and consultation above the statutory minimum is required.

Please complete & return to planning@cne-siar.gov.uk

1	APPLICANT		
	a	Full name	Point and Sandwick Trust
	b	Postal address	The Old School, Knock, Point, HS2 0BW
	c	Contact telephone number	07385 711478 - Enquiries to be directed to the agent at the number below
	d	Email address	calmacdpointandsandwick@gmail.com – Enquiries to be directed to the agent at the email below

2	AGENT		
	a	Full name	Jack Cook, The Greenspan Agency
	b	Postal address	6 Castle Street, Edinburgh, EH2 3AT
	c	Contact telephone number	07747 893270
	d	Email address	jack@greenspanenergy.com

3	ADDRESS OF DEVELOPMENT	
	Please state the postal address of the prospective development site. If there is no postal address, describe its location. Please outline the site on an OS base plan and attach it to this completed Notice.	
Land North of HM Coastguard Station, Battery Point, Stornoway, HS1 2RT Easting/Northing: 143060, 932238		

4	DECLARATION	
	<p><i>Please tick the box if the applicant is an Elected Member, or an officer involved in the planning process, of Comhairle nan Eilean Siar, or is a partner/close friend/relative of either</i></p>	✓*
	<p><small>*Angus McCormack, Honorary President of Point and Sandwick Trust is a Comhairle nan Eilean Siar Councillor</small></p>	

5	DESCRIPTION							
	<p>Describe in general terms the development to be carried out. Outline its characteristics.</p>							
	<p>25 MW Battery Energy Storage Park</p>							
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7	Please give details of proposed consultation
	<i>Proposed public events (minimum two) - Date & times, venue details</i>
	Event 1 Community Consultation – Newton Ward Community Association, 56 Seaforth Road, Stornoway, HS1 2SF. 21 st November 4-7 pm
	Event 2 Community Consultation – Stornoway Town Hall. 15 th December 1-6 pm
	<i>Proposed newspaper advert dates (required for both first & last events) & where published</i>
	Event 1 Stornoway Gazette – 10 th and 17 th Nov
	Event 2 Stornoway Gazette – 1 st and 8 th Dec
	<i>Details of any other consultation methods</i>
	Event 1 Email to Comhairle nan Eilean Siar – Environmental Health Email to SEPA
	Event 2 Asset Impact Assessment and further discussions with Scottish Water

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT/AGENT	DATE
<p>JACK COOK THE GREENSPAN AGENCY</p> 	19/10/22

A planning application for this development cannot be submitted less than 12 weeks (or more than 18 months) from the date the Proposal of Application Notice is received (and without the statutory requirements having been undertaken). The application must be accompanied by the Pre-Application Consultation report.

<https://www.cne-siar.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-service/other-planning-information/major-and-national-developments/>

v. Oct 2022

Appendix 2. Proposal of Application Notice Decision Letter



COMHAIRLE NAN EILEAN SIAR

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Your Reference

Date 31 October 2022

Point And Sandwick Trust
C/o Jack Cook
The Greenspan Agency
6 Castle Street
Edinburgh
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Dear Sir/Madam

DECISION NOTICE – PROPOSAL OF APPLICATION NOTICE: TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 AS AMENDED BY THE PLANNING ETC (SCOTLAND) ACT 2006 AND THE PLANNING SCOTLAND ACT 2019

APPLICATION REFERENCE: 22/00457
TYPE OF APPLICATION: Proposal of Application Notice
LOCATION OF DEVELOPMENT: Battery Point Energy Storage Park, Newton Street, Stornoway
PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: 25 MW Battery Energy Storage Park
DATE NOTICE RECEIVED: 20 October 2022

With reference to your Proposal of Application Notice received on 20 October 2022 the Comhairle, in exercise of its power under the above Act, **APPROVED** the proposed consultation subject to additional requirements as detailed below:

- Please provide details on the form of event and the methods proposed to facilitate the public to comment on the proposed development e.g. exhibitions, discussion forums, presentations, Q&As? (The Notice provides information on when the two mandatory public events are to take place but the Regulations require information on the target audience and the form the events will take e.g. exhibitions, discussion forums, presentations, Q&As).
- Both public events should be promoted through local radio, online local news site and relevant social media routes. Please provide details of at local radio station, local online news site and social media to be used for event promotion.

Subject to the above the two notified 'in person' public consultation events meet the statutory minimum.

In addition, we would encourage consideration of an online presence or the hosting of a digital engagement event to reach out to those who may not be able to attend the 'in person' events.



Please note that the Scottish Government, on 21 October 2022, published updated Planning circular 3/2022 setting out guidance on Pre-application consultation with communities. We strongly encourage you to refer to this guidance together with the advice and resources on community engagement, details of which are appended.

If you have a general enquiry regarding your application, please contact the Planning Officer on the telephone number or email address above. Please note that press adverts must be in a prescribed format.

Your Proposal of Application Notice has been made available for public viewing on-line via the Comhairle Public Access Planning Portal: <https://planning.cne-siar.gov.uk/PublicAccess/>.

Yours faithfully

Morag Ferguson
Planning Manager (Development Management)
Communities Department

Appendix 3. Press Coverage, Social Media, and Radio Advertising

The Press & Journal Article, January 2022

Lewis wind farm charity plots new battery source to protect the island's electricity if another outage hits

By [Chris MacLennan](#)  January 28, 2022, 11:45 am



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A Lewis wind farm charity's innovative idea will help protect the island's electricity source for future generations.

Point and Sandwick Trust is seeking to create an on island battery source to store excess power from its turbines.

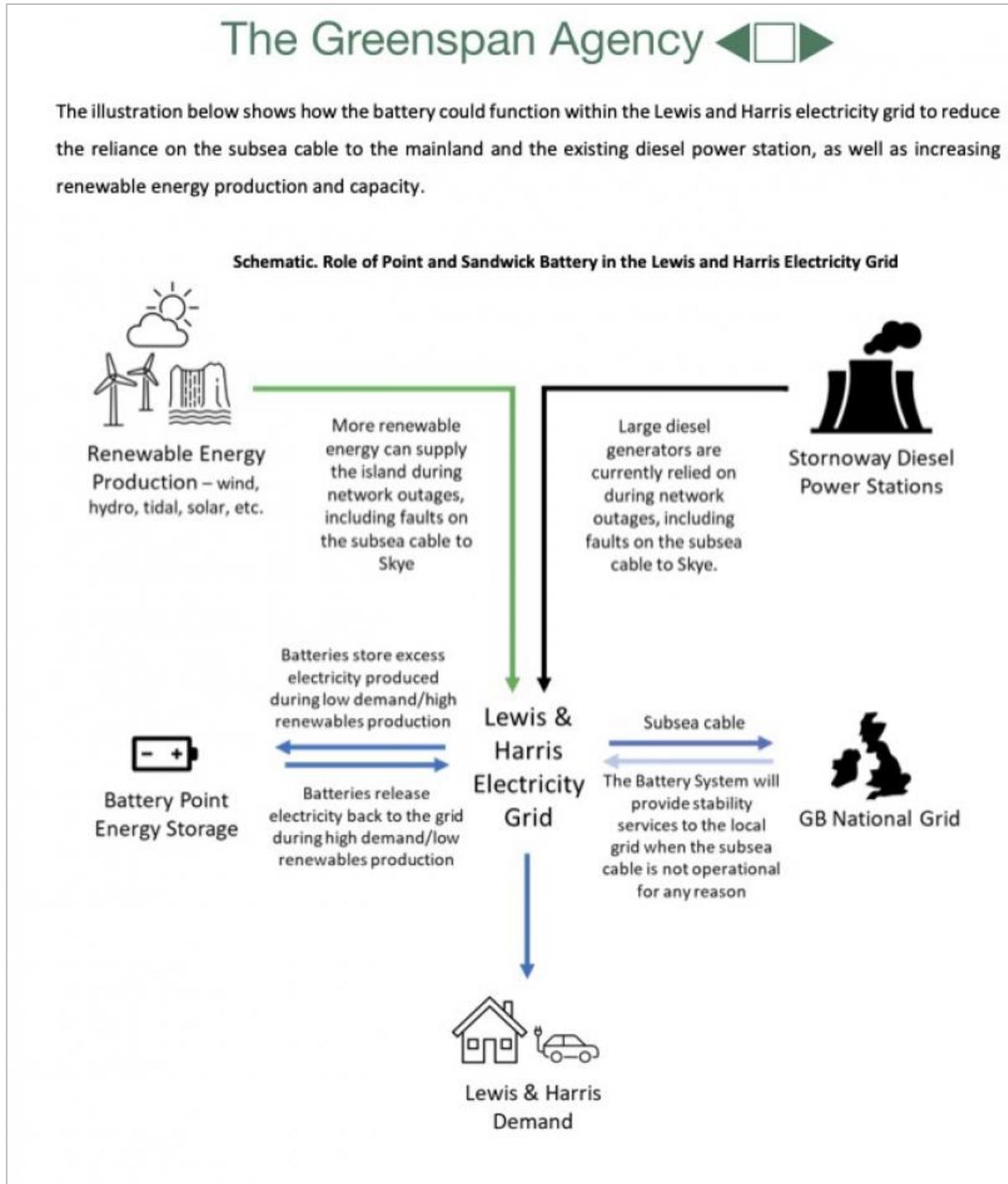
The charity is hoping to ensure all opportunities to produce green, renewable energy are utilised.

If granted, the battery station – which would be constructed at the aptly named Battery Point area of Stornoway – would become the first of its kind in the UK to be community owned.

Trust seeks to build resilience should another outage occur

<https://www.pressandjournal.co.uk/fp/news/highlands-islands/3886035/lewis-wind-farm-charity-plots-new-battery-source-to-protect-the-islands-ele...> 1/8

Consultation materials as duplicated on www.welovestornoway.com⁷



⁷ <https://www.welovestornoway.com/index.php/articles/26173-store-our-own-power-plan-for-sy>

Story as reported on www.welovestornoway.com ⁸

“There's an electrifying chance that the battery might be put back into Battery Point in Stornoway!

Point and Sandwick Trust's plans to boost renewable energy use and keep the lights on have taken a major step forward.

For the community organisation has notified Comhairle nan Eilean of a proposal to develop a 25 MW energy storage park in Stornoway.

Using arrays of lithium-ion batteries to handle power outages, the energy park would also enable a much greater proportion of power demands to be supplied by renewable sources. And cut emissions that harm the environment. (The original of the name for Battery Point was quite different - referring to the array of guns of the one-time Royal Navy Reserve base there.)

The project has been in the works since 2019. Though not a full planning permission application at this stage, the proposal to apply represents a milestone in getting the ambitious project switched on.

The proposed site for the development island is west of Stornoway Diesel Power Station and north of the Marine Coastguard Agency station at Battery Point. This location has been identified due to its proximity to the existing diesel power station and suitable connection point to the 33kV distribution network.

Point and Sandwick Trust is working with The Greenspan Agency based in Edinburgh. In the submission to Comhairle, The Greenspan Agency states: “This scheme will be a high-value infrastructure investment for Lewis and Harris, providing valuable energy storage capacity and improving the reliability and sustainability of electricity supply to the island.”

The project will consist of multiple lithium-ion batteries, power converter stations, transformers, high voltage electricity substation, site welfare units and site access. Though designed for outdoor locations, placing them inside a building is being considered.

Point and Sandwick Trust have conducted detailed technical studies for the project since 2019. However, renewed impetus was provided in 2020 when the subsea cable between the Isle of Harris and the Isle of Skye malfunctioned, causing total disconnection of the island from the National Grid. The extent of the damage resulted in an 11-month period when electricity was being almost exclusively generated by the diesel power stations in Stornoway and Arnish.

The long-running outage also meant less renewable energy was being produced and substantially increased harmful greenhouse gases and other polluting gases.

According to the submission to the Comhairle, if the battery project goes ahead, it will help stabilise the local electricity network and allow a much greater proportion of power demands to be supplied by renewable sources.

It would, adds The Greenspace Agency, reduce reliance on the existing diesel power station during cable outages by up to 60%.

The energy park can accomplish this by storing and quickly releasing energy in subsecond timescales to balance supply and demand.

In addition, the battery can store energy during high renewables production/low demand periods and later discharge during peak demand/low renewables production periods. This, it is believed, would be to make better use of the renewable energy produced, resulting in a long-term environmental improvement to supply.

The lifecycle of the proposed battery system is 25 years and requires comparatively little maintenance during this time, continues The Greenspan Agency. The lithium-ion batteries can be recycled and replaced at the end of their design life”.

⁸ <https://www.welovestornoway.com/index.php/articles/26173-store-our-own-power-plan-for-sy>

Example Press Notice published online and in print in the Stornoway Gazette on the 10th and 17th of November 2022

Thursday, November 10, 2022

Stornoway Gazette 21

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GENERAL NOTICES

Shawbost Old School Trust AGM
Tuesday 22nd November 2022 @ 8.00pm
at Ionad Na Seann Sgoil, North Shawbost

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PLANNING NOTICES

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Town & Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013
22/00411/PPD 3 Borsham, Finsbay, Erect house. Create access & parking. Install private drainage system. Install air source heat pump. ~ 22/00432/FULTEL Lighthouse, Butt of Lewis, Ness, Proposed upgrade of telecommunications site, incorporating the installation of a 1No. 0.6m dish antenna & ancillary equipment ~ 22/00436/PPD Harris Charity Shop, Tarbert, Renewal of planning consent 13/0057/PPD (siting of portacabin as retail outlet for charity shop) ~ 22/00444/PPW Wind Turbine, Lionacleit School, Lincilate, Enercon E-44 wind turbine - Request for amendment under Section 42 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 to vary condition 4 of planning permission 05/00461, the effect of which would be to change the duration of the planning permission from 25 years to 40 years (i.e. to expire 31st October 2045). Note: no change to the turbine tower, hub or blades is proposed. ~ 22/00463/PPD Shop, 6 Uachdar, Benbecula, Change of use of existing building to smokehouse & small incidental retail shop & siting of shipping containers
The planning application(s) listed above may be examined at <https://planning.cne-siar.gov.uk/PublicAccess/> using the reference number. Comments should be made within 14 days of publication of this notice, via the online comment facility or by post to Planning Service, Communities Dept., Sandwick Rd, Stornoway, Isle of Lewis HS1 2BW or Balivanich, Isle of Benbecula HS7 5LA – paper copies are currently not available to view. Please phone 01851 822690 if you require assistance to view an application.

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CROFTING COMMISSION COIMISEAN NA CROITEARACHD
DECROFTING APPLICATION
1. S F Hankinson, 11 Lower Bayble, 0.098 ha, Site for a dwelling house (118363)
2. C Varma, 22a Breascleite, 0.149 ha, Garden and amenity ground (118769)
Comments from any member of the crofting community within the locality of the croft (which may be made public), may be sent to the Crofting Commission by 08/12/2022 at info@crofting.gov.scot / Crofting Commission, Great Glen House, Leachkin Road, Inverness IV3 8NW.
DECROFTING DIRECTIONS ISSUED
1. C Campbell, 30 Aird of Tong, 0.2 ha, Substitute direction – Existing croft house site & garden ground (94578)
2. M Macaskill, 12 Swardale, 0.05 ha, Site for a dwelling house, with use & fencing conditions (115954)
3. C Macdonald, 9 Lochcarnan, 0.15 ha, Site for a dwelling house, with use & fencing conditions. (118090)
4. D W Gallagher, 13b Vatisker, 0.054 ha, Croft House Site & Garden Ground, with fencing conditions (110223)
5. A M Boyd, 21 & 22 Locheport Pier Ground, 0.087 ha, Croft House Site & Garden Ground, with fencing conditions (118196)
Full details at www.crofting.scotland.gov.uk

Garenin Common Grazings Annual General Meeting
The AGM will be held on Wednesday 23 November 2022 at 7.30 pm in the Resource Centre, Urras Nan Gearrannan

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First Registration of a Croft
Andrew and Alison Johnson have registered their croft Carminish Islands, Harris on the Crofting Register held by the Registers of Scotland.
Any person who wishes to challenge the registration may apply to the Scottish Land Court by 1 June 2023.
Details of the registration can be found at www.crofts.rps.gov.uk/register/home. The croft registration number is C8650.

First Registration of a Croft
Andrew and Alison Johnson have registered their croft 4 Strond, Harris on the Crofting Register held by the Registers of Scotland.
Any person who wishes to challenge the registration may apply to the Scottish Land Court by 24 July 2023.
Details of the registration can be found at www.crofts.rps.gov.uk/register/home. The croft registration number is C8742.

CROFTING COMMISSION COIMISEAN NA CROITEARACHD
Rectification of Croft Registration
A rectification has been made to the croft 24A Achmore, Lochs on the Crofting Register held by the Registers of Scotland.
Any person who wishes to challenge the registration may apply to the Scottish Land Court by 28 July 2022. Details of the registration can be found at www.crofts.rps.gov.uk/register/home. The Croft Registration number is C8261.

COMHAIRLE NAN EILEAN SIAR
Notice of application for Listed Building Consent – Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) (Scotland) Act 1997
22/00433/LBC Lighthouse, Butt of Lewis, Ness, Proposed upgrade of telecommunications site, incorporating the installation of a 1No. 0.6m dish antenna & ancillary equipment
22/00448/LBC Westford Inn, Claddach Kirkibost, North Uist, Install an external defibrillator to the bar side of Westford Inn
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LEWIS AND HARRIS SHEEP PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION AGM

Wednesday 14th December 2022 at 7.30pm in Cabarfeidh Halls, Stornoway.
Guest speaker Steven Thomson, Agricultural Economist from SRUC.

GENERAL NOTICES

The Funeral Fund Association for Lewis Fishermen and Women
The Annual General Meeting will take place in the Bowling Club, Bayhead, Stornoway on Friday 16th December at 2.00pm.
All members are welcome.

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The AGM of Knock Carloway Common Grazings will be held in the Church of Scotland Hall on Friday 16th December @ 7.30 pm.

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1. N Winn, 6 Cheesebay, 0.013 ha, amenity ground (112941)
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DECROFTING DIRECTION ISSUED
1. P Collings, 9 Upper Bayble, 0.2 ha, Existing croft house site & garden ground, Fencing Conditions (116326)
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SCOTTISH HYDRO ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION PLC ELECTRICITY ACT 1989 TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 THE ELECTRICITY WORKS (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2017

Notice is hereby given that Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission Plc, company registration number SC213461 with its registered office at Inveralmond House, 200 Dunkeld Road, Perth, PH1 3AQ has applied to the Scottish Ministers for consent under section 37 of the Electricity Act 1989 to construct and operate approximately 58 km of 132 kV overhead line (OHL) supported by low profile insired H poles between the Harris Grid Supply Point (GSP) (OS Grid Reference NG 1350 9425), located approximately 6 km south of Tarbert and the Stornoway Substation (OS Grid Reference NB 4019 3234), located approximately 3 km south of Stornoway. This includes the following ancillary works: vegetation clearance; upgrade existing or establishment of new junction bell mouths; establishment of temporary access (for the construction of the OHL); measures to protect road and other public/private crossings during construction; and dismantling of the existing aged OHL asset. An EIA Report has been produced to accompany the application for consent.

Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission Plc, has also applied for a direction under section 57(2) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 that planning permission for the development be deemed to be granted.

A copy of the application, with a plan showing the land to which it relates, together with a copy of the EIA Report discussing the Company's proposals in more detail and presenting an analysis of the environmental implications, are available for public inspection in person, free of charge at:

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Stornoway Library	Sunday & Monday: Closed Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 10:00 – 17:00 Wednesday: 13:00 – 17:00 Saturday: 10:00 – 16:00	13-19 Cromwell Street, Stornoway, HSI 2DA
Kinloch Community Hub	Monday – Friday: 09:00 – 16:00	Kinloch Historical Society, Community Hub, Ballalan, Isle of Lewis, HS2 8PN
Tarbert Community Library	Monday, Tuesday & Thursday: 10:00 – 13:00 & 16:00 – 18:00 Wednesday, Friday & Sunday: Closed Saturday: 10:00 – 13:00	Sir E. Scott School, Tarbert, Isle of Harris, HS3 3BG

The EIA report can also be viewed on the application website www.ssen-transmission.co.uk/projects/harris-stornoway-132kv-ohl/ or on the Scottish Government Energy Consents website at www.energycsents.scot under application reference ECU00004490.

Copies of the EIA Report may be obtained from Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission Plc. Please contact Lisa Marchi (telephone: 07825 015 507, email: lisa.marchi@sse.com) for details including costs.

Any representations to the application may be submitted via the Energy Consents Unit website at www.energycsents.scot/Register.aspx; by email to the Scottish Government, Energy Consents Unit mailbox at representations@gov.scot; or by post to the Scottish Government, Energy Consents Unit, 4th Floor, 5 Atlantic Quay, 150 Broomielaw, Glasgow, G2 8LU, identifying the proposal and specifying the grounds for representation. Please note that there may be a delay in the Energy Consents Unit receiving representations by post.

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 20th January 2023 [the date falling 43 days from the date of the last print publication of this notice], although Ministers may consider representations received after this date.

Any subsequent additional information which is submitted by the developer will be subject to further public notice in this manner, and representations to such information will be accepted as per this notice.

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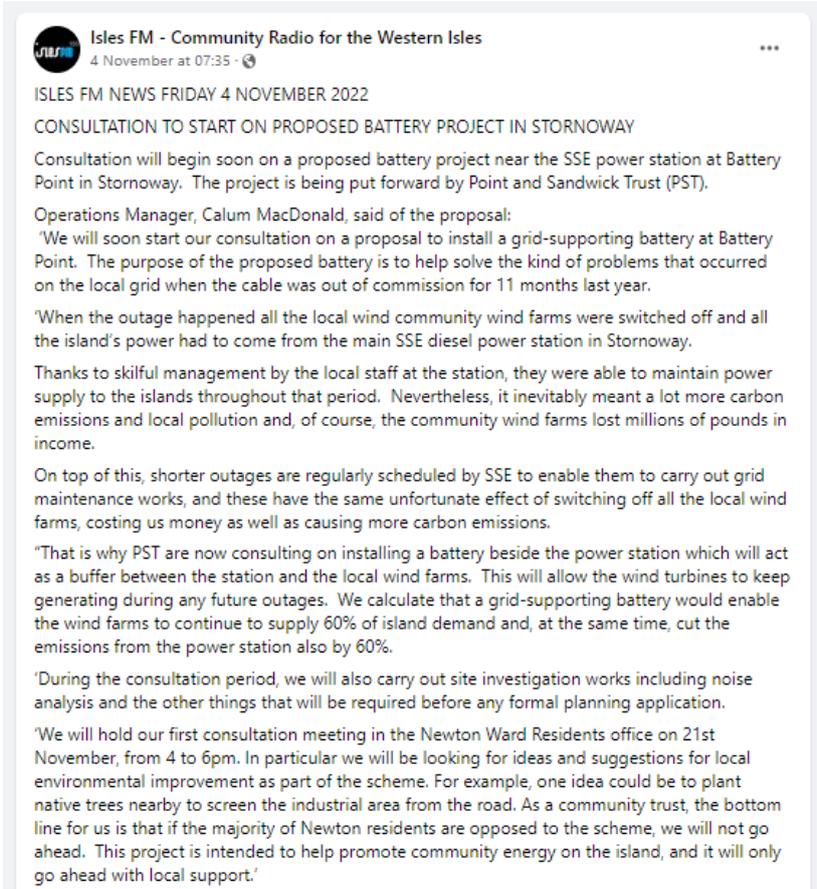
- Consent the proposal, with or without conditions attached; or
- Reject the proposal

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The Scottish Government Energy Consents Unit processes consent applications and consultation representations under the Electricity Act 1989. During the process, to support transparency in decision making, the Scottish Government publishes online at www.energycsents.scot. A privacy notice is published on the help page at www.energycsents.scot. This explains how the Energy Consents Unit processes your personal information. If you have any concerns about how your personal data is handled, please email Ecconsents_admin@gov.scot.

Social media promotion of the first consultation event held on the 21st of November 2022

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CONSULTATION TO START ON PROPOSED BATTERY PROJECT IN STORNOWAY

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Operations Manager, Calum MacDonald, said of the proposal:

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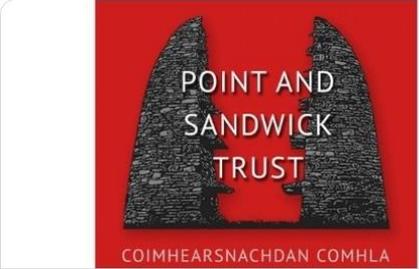


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A reminder to residents of Newton & interested parties, PST & the Greenspan Agency will hold our first public consultation meeting on the proposed battery project next week: Newton Ward Residents Office on 21st November, from 4 to 6pm. #stornoway #Hebrides



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Consultation to start on proposed battery project in Stornoway
Consultation will begin next month on a proposed battery project near the SSE power station at Battery Point in Stornoway. The project is

Facebook Post from Point and Sandwick Trust 16/11/22

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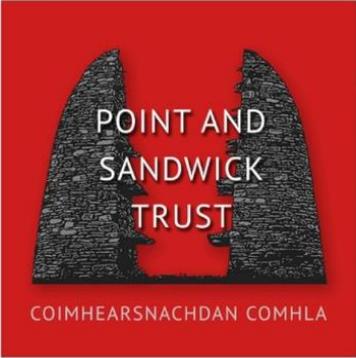
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Consultation to start on proposed battery project in Stornoway . The project is being put forward by Point and Sandwick Trust and our Operations Director, [Calum MacDonald](#), said of the proposal, "Next month we will start our consultation on a proposal to install a grid-supporting battery at Battery Point. The purpose of the proposed battery is to help solve the kind of problems that occurred on the local grid when the cable was out of commission last year." Read more on the link below: <https://lnkd.in/eDxQkwjG>



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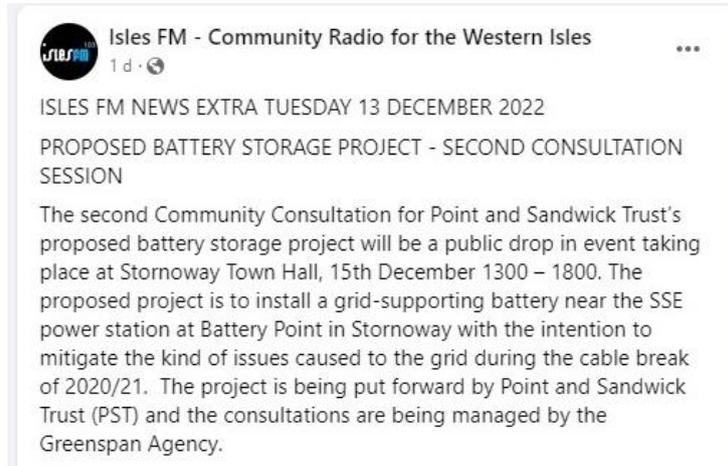
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Facebook Post from Point and Sandwick Trust 08/12/22



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Point and Sandwick Trust webpage, information about the first consultation event

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Consultation to start on proposed battery project in Stornoway

Posted 27th October 2022

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Proposed battery storage project – Public drop-in - Point and Sandwick Trust

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Proposed battery storage project – Public drop-in

Posted 7th December 2022

The second Community Consultation for Point and Sandwick Trust's proposed battery storage project will be a public drop in event taking place at Stornoway Town Hall, 15th December 1300 – 1800. The proposed project is to install a grid-supporting battery near the SSE power station at Battery Point in Stornoway with the intention to mitigate the kind of issues caused to the grid during the cable break of 2020/21. The project is being put forward by Point and Sandwick Trust (PST) and the consultations are being managed by the Greenspan Agency.

Speaking ahead of the consultation period, PST Operations Director, Calum MacDonald, said of the proposal, "The purpose of the proposed battery is to help solve the kind of problems that occurred on the local grid when the cable was out of commission for 11 months last year. When that outage happened all the local wind community wind farms were switched off and all the island's power had to come from the main SSE diesel power station in Stornoway. Thanks to skilful management by the local staff at the station, they were able to maintain power supply to the islands throughout that period. Nevertheless, it inevitably meant a lot more carbon emissions and local pollution and, of course, the community wind farms lost millions of pounds in income. On top of this, shorter outages are regularly scheduled by SSE to enable them to carry out grid maintenance works, and these have the same unfortunate effect of switching off all the local wind farms, costing us money as well as causing more carbon emissions.

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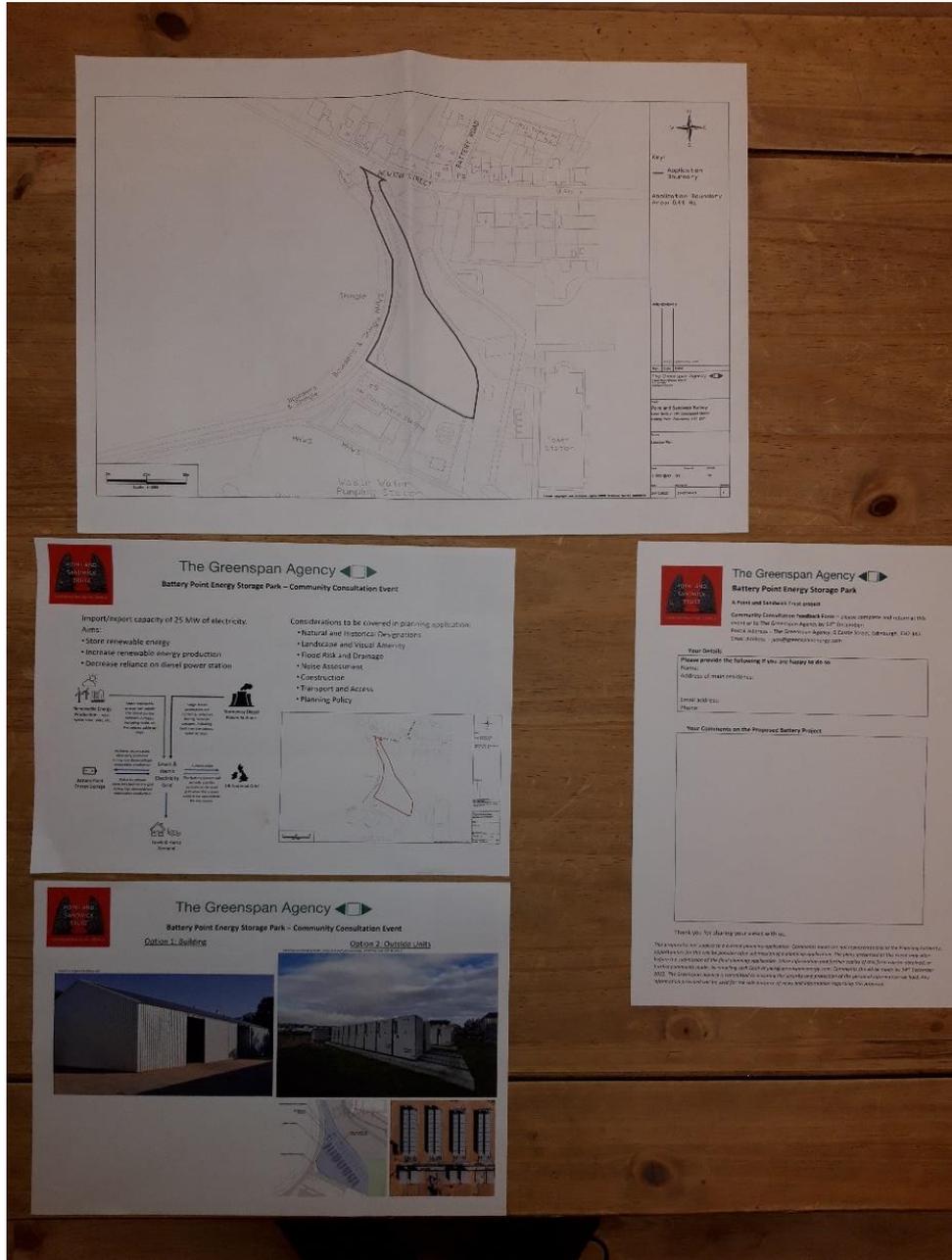
Consultation Event 1 Materials and Setup

Event space at Newton Ward Community Association, Seaforth Road – displays setup.



The Greenspan Agency ◀◻▶

Materials to aid discussion and for interested members of the public to take away, as made available at the first constulation event at the Newton Ward Community Association, Seaforth Road. Materials included, location plan, smaller versions of the display boards shown on the previous page, and a feedback form.



This page and the following 3 pages, show the large display boards used for the first consultation event.
 Photos of these in-situ at the first consultation event can be seen on the preceding pages



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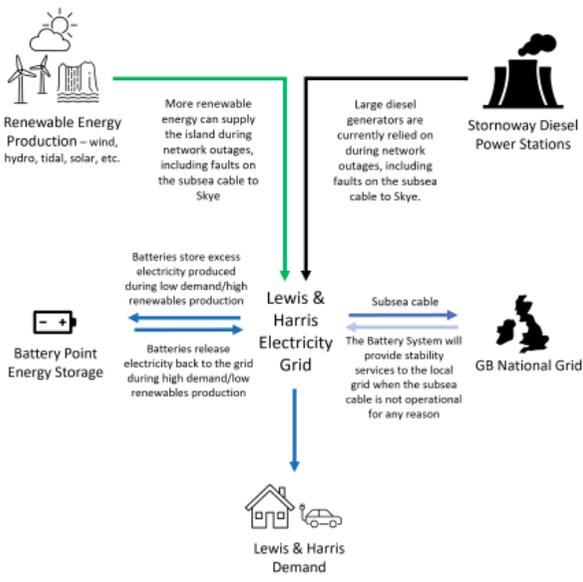
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Battery Point Energy Storage Park – Community Consultation Event

Import/export capacity of 25 MW of electricity.

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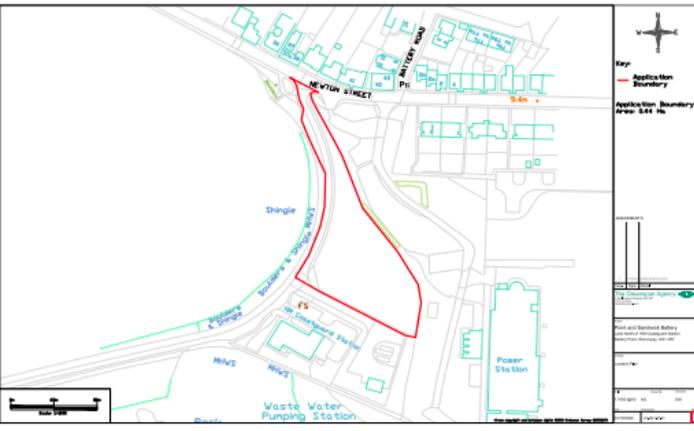
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- Increase renewable energy production
- Decrease reliance on diesel power station



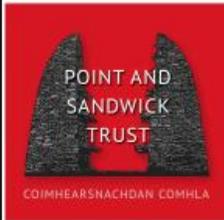
The diagram illustrates the energy flow: Renewable Energy Production (wind, tidal, solar, etc.) feeds into the Lewis & Harris Electricity Grid. Batteries store excess electricity during low demand and release it back to the grid during high demand. The grid is connected to the GB National Grid via a subsea cable. Stornoway Diesel Power Stations are shown as a backup power source during network outages.

Considerations to be covered in planning application:

- Natural and Historical Designations
- Landscape and Visual Amenity
- Flood Risk and Drainage
- Noise Assessment
- Construction
- Transport and Access
- Planning Policy



The map shows the application boundary in red, covering the area around Newton Street and Battery Road. Key features include the Stornoway Diesel Power Stations, Lewis & Harris Electricity Grid, GB National Grid, and various local infrastructure like the Waste Water Pumping Station and Power Station.



Battery Point Energy Storage Park – Community Consultation Event

Option 1: Building

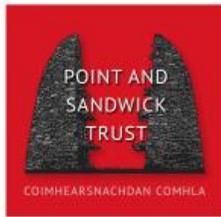
Indicative proposed building type



Option 2: Outside Units

Candidate technology provider. Simple first draft photomontage, INDICATIVE AND NOT TO SCALE.





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Site history

Battery Point, Stornoway – 1897



Battery Point, Stornoway – 1965s

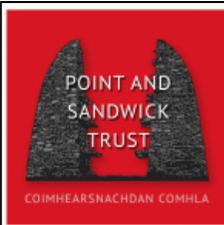


Battery Point, Stornoway – 2005



Battery Point, Stornoway – 2021

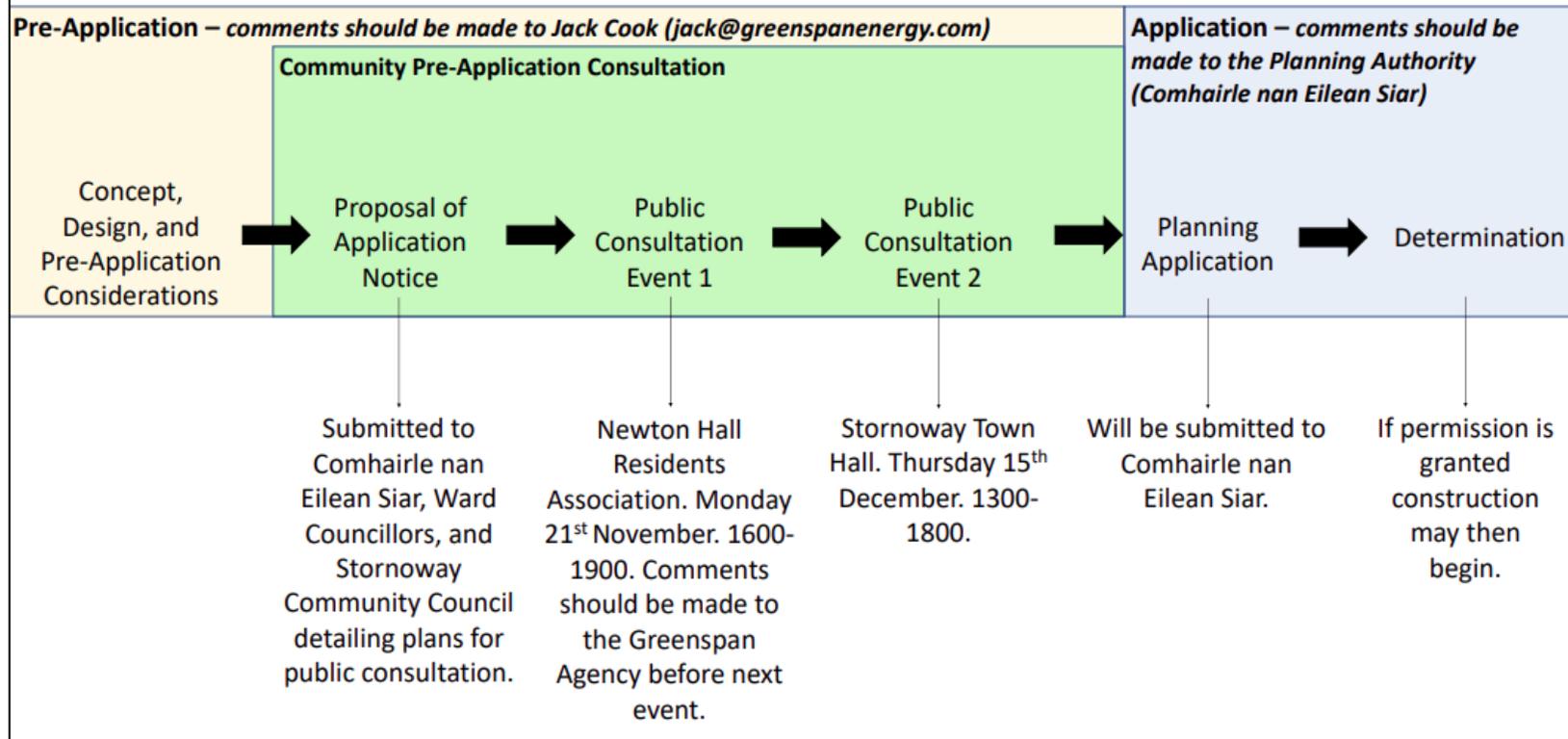




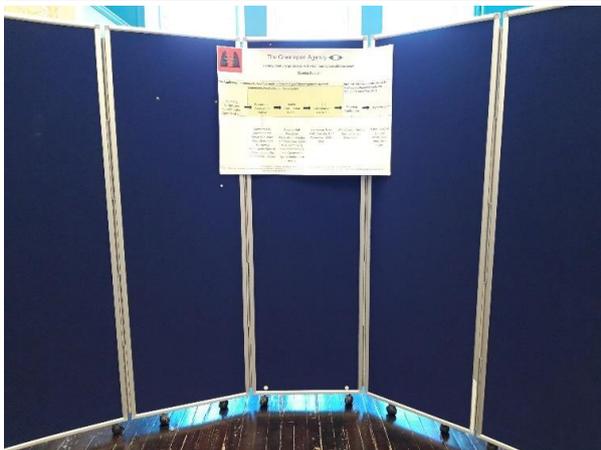
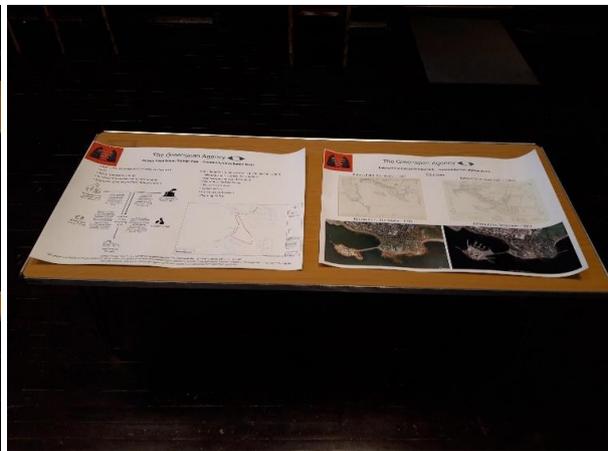
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Planning Process



Consultation Event 2: Materials and Setup



This page and the following 3 pages, show the large display sheets used for the second consultation event.
 Photos of these in-situ at the second consultation event can be seen on the preceding pages.



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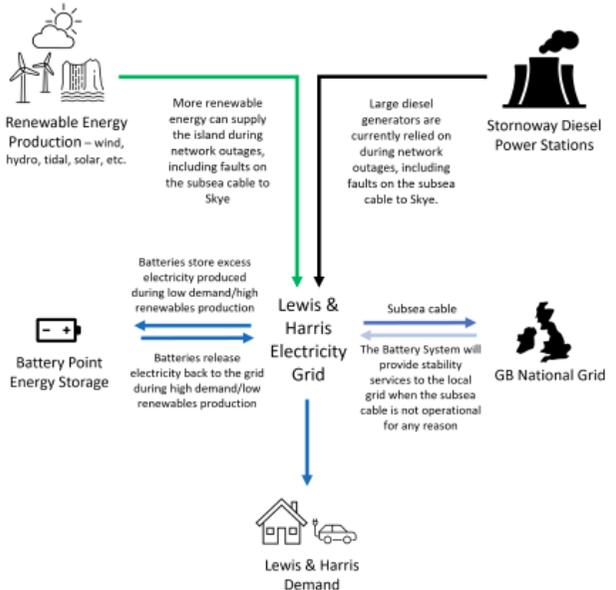
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Import/export capacity of 25 MW of electricity.

Aims:

- Store renewable energy
- Increase renewable energy production
- Decrease reliance on diesel power station



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Stornoway Diesel Power Stations

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Lewis & Harris Demand

Considerations to be covered in planning application:

- Natural and Historical Designations
- Landscape and Visual Amenity
- Flood Risk and Drainage
- Noise Assessment
- Construction
- Transport and Access
- Planning Policy

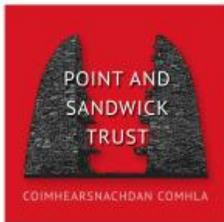


Key

- Application Boundary
- Application Boundary Area: 0.41 Ha

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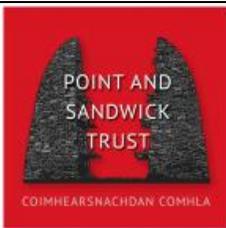


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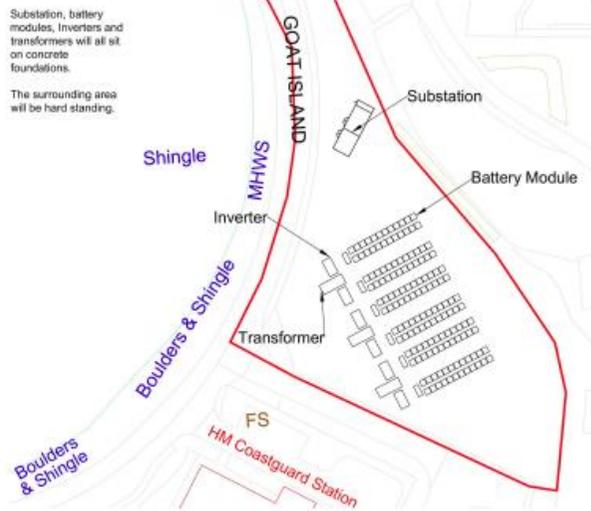
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Draft Layout

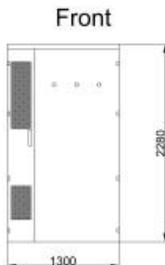


Draft illustration of candidate technology provider units on site

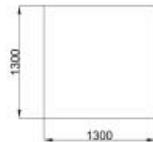


Candidate technology provider: INDICATIVE AND NOT TO SCALE.

Battery Units

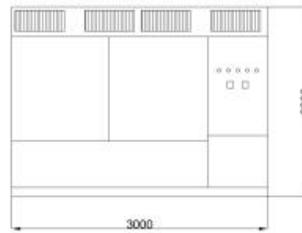


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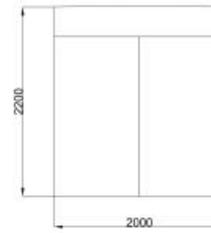


Inverter Units

Front



Side

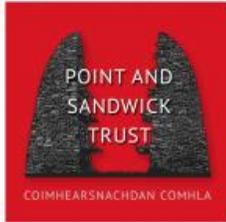


Site Area



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View of the site from south of Newton Street

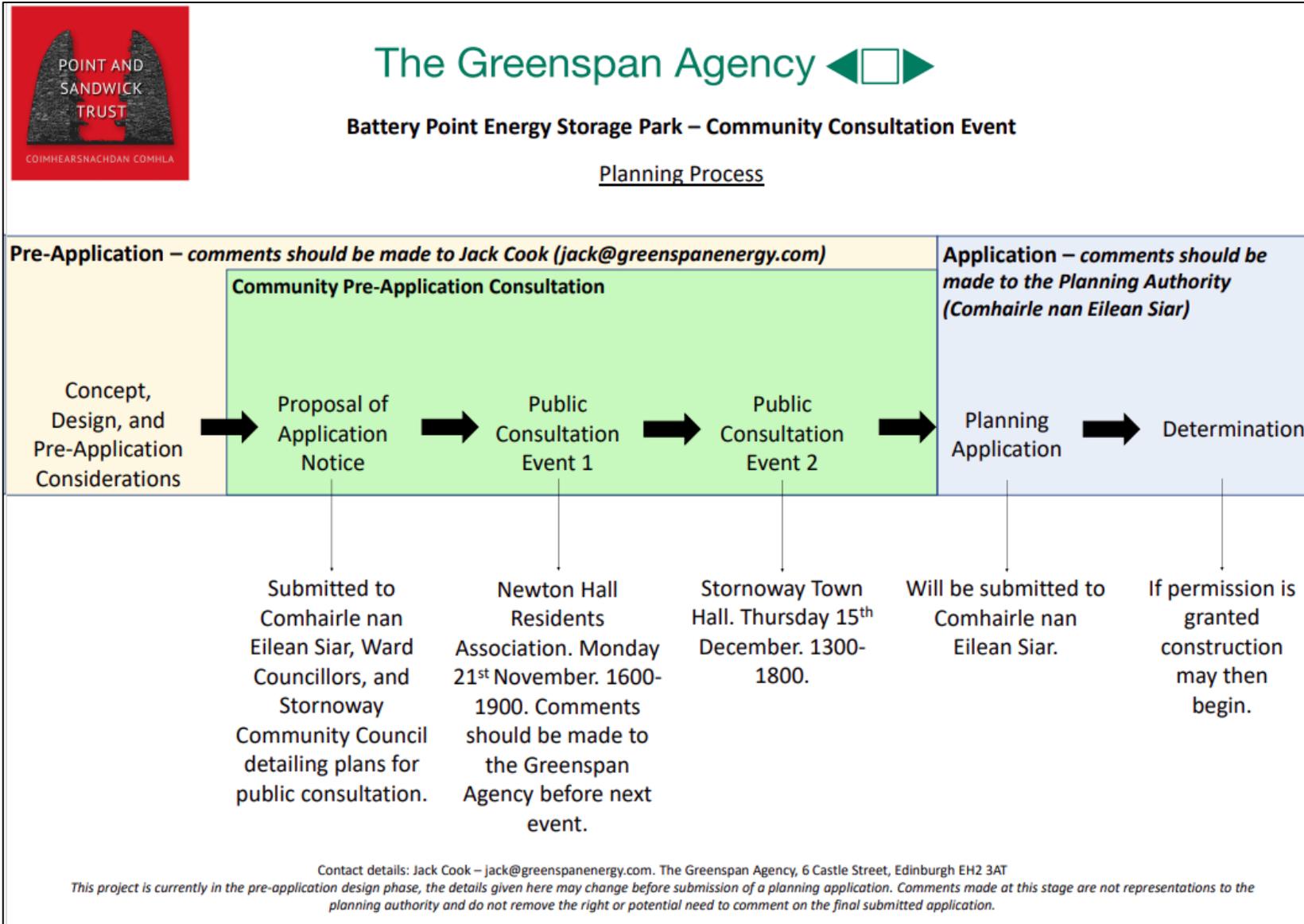


View of the site from Goat Island



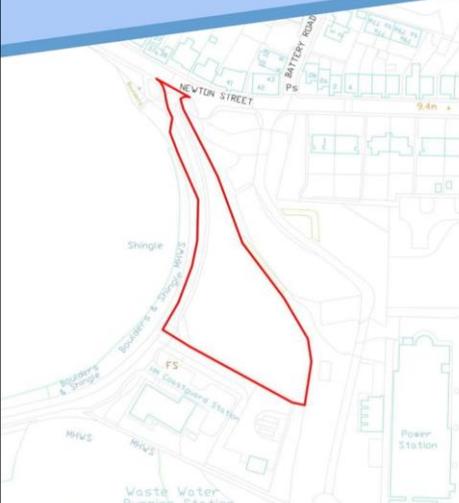
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Appendix 5: Leaflet Provided at Both Consultation Events

Leaflet – side 1 of concertina fold leaflet

<p style="text-align: center;">◀</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“Battery storage technologies are essential to speeding up the replacement of fossil fuels with renewable energy. Battery storage systems will play an increasingly pivotal role between green energy supplies and responding to electricity demands”</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- National Grid</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">◀</p> <h3 style="text-align: center;">Comments</h3> <p><i>This proposal is not subject to a current planning application. The plans presented may alter before the submission of the final planning application. Comments made are not representations to the Planning Authority, opportunities for this will be possible after submission of a planning application. More information can be obtained, or comments made, at the contact details below.</i></p>	 <p>The Greenspan Agency ◀◻▶</p>
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Leaflet – side 2 of concertina fold leaflet

Details

This project is for a 25 MW battery energy storage park with a 2-hour duration battery. It will be located north of Stornoway HM Coastguard Station and adjacent to the Stornoway Power Station. The development will consist of several battery modules and associated infrastructure such as inverters, transformers, and a substation.

This scheme will be a high value infrastructure investment for Lewis and Harris, providing valuable energy storage capacity and improving the reliability and sustainability of electricity supply to the island. The battery project will help stabilize the local electricity network to allow a much greater proportion of demand to be supplied by renewable generators and reduce the island's reliance on the diesel power station during cable outages by up to 60%.

The planning application will cover further details such as:

- Landscape and Visual Amenity
- Natural and Historical Designations
- Noise
- Construction

Role in Future Energy Grid

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This project aims to mitigate the kind of issues caused to the grid during the cable break of 2020/21

Location

Draft Layout

Substation, battery module, inverters and transformers will all sit on concrete foundations.

The surrounding area will be hard standing.

Substation

Battery Module

Inverter

Transformer

FS

HM Coastguard Station

GOAT ISLAND

Shingle

MHWS

Boulders & Shingle