

COMHAIRLE NAN EILEAN SIAR

PLANNING APPLICATIONS BOARD

Minute of Meeting held in Council Chamber, Council Offices, Stornoway on Monday, 9 December 2024 at 2.00pm.

PRESENT Mr Ranald Fraser (Chair)

Mr Iain M Macleod Mr Robert Mackenzie
Ms Susan Thomson Mr Iain M Macaulay

APOLOGIES Mr John A Maciver (Vice-Chair) Mr Paul Finnegan

Mr Iain A MacNeil Mr George Murray

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE Mrs Anne Murray Mr Derek Mackay

Mrs Morag Ferguson Mrs Fiona Maciver
Mrs Mairi Maciver Mr Iain Macleod
Mr Allan MacDonald Mrs Shona Hadwen

MINUTES

Minute of Meeting of 3 December 2024

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The Minute of Meeting of 3 December 2024 was approved.

Declaration of

Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

PLANNING

24/00123/PPW Replacement of three existing 2bladed turbines of 46m to tip at Monan Wind Farm, with three 3 bladed wind turbines with a tip height of up to 86m and associated infrastructure, Isle of Harris

The Chief Executive submitted a Report concerning a planning application for the proposed repowering/re-development of the existing Monan Wind Farm site, by way of the replacement of the three existing 2-bladed wind turbines of 46m to tip at Monan Wind Farm, with three 3-bladed wind turbines with a tip height of up to 86m and associated infrastructure at Ceann an Ora, Isle of Harris. The Report indicated that the application was considered by the Appointed Officer to be sensitive and was therefore, in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation, referred to the Board for determination. The Report gave background information, a planning assessment and set out a reasoned conclusion on the application.

It was agreed that:

- (1) the EIA planning application be approved subject to the conditions set out in Appendix 1 to the Report; and
- (2) the Chief Executive be authorised to complete a Section 75 planning obligation with the developer and relevant land interests to secure: (i) the ultimate site decommissioning and site reinstatement arrangements and (ii) a financial contribution by the Developer for off-site Biodiversity enhancement measures to be executed in conjunction with the North Harris Trust.