## **Nick Sage**

From: Lynda Grant < lynda\_grant@Scotways.com>

**Sent:** 30 October 2019 11:07

To: Nick Sage

**Cc:** Peter.Wheelan@highland.gov.uk

Subject: RE: Lochluichart Wind Farm Extension II Application - Scotways REF 19/01284/FUL

## Good morning Nick

Thank you for the updated Figure 3.1, that is very helpful to see with regard to the change in the site layout.

We look forward to seeing and commenting on the Supplementary Information when it is available.

Kind regards Lynda

From: Lynda Grant

Sent: 22 October 2019 09:31

To: Nick Sage

Subject: RE: Lochluichart Wind Farm Extension II Application - Scotways REF 19/01284/FUL

## Hi Nick

My turn to apologise for not getting back to you. Thanks for your email and the phone message that you left at the end of last week.

I work part time – generally Monday to Wednesday and we have been extremely busy in the office over the last few weeks with staff off due to illness and annual leave. I have not yet had a chance to look at the details that you sent but please be assured that it is on my list.

Kind regards Lynda

From: Nick Sage [mailto:N.Sage@infinergy.co.uk]

**Sent:** 08 October 2019 09:58

To: Lvnda Grant

Cc: 'Peter.Wheelan@highland.gov.uk'

Subject: RE: Lochluichart Wind Farm Extension II Application - Scotways REF 19/01284/FUL

Importance: High

Morning Lynda

Apologies for the delay in responding.

Please find attached the updated Figure 3.1, showing the location of wind turbines and related infrastructure which will be promoted in the submission of Supplementary Information for the Lochluichart Wind Farm Extension II scheme (the 'Revised Development'). The 4 turbines closest to the A835 have been removed from the scheme, along with some other minor infrastructure changes.

Let me know if you need any more information? I trust the information & clarification supplied will be sufficient for Scotways to remove their objection.

Many thanks

Kind Regards

Nick

From: Lynda Grant < lynda\_grant@Scotways.com>

**Sent:** 02 September 2019 15:57

To: Nick Sage < N.Sage@infinergy.co.uk>

Cc: 'Peter.Wheelan@highland.gov.uk' <Peter.Wheelan@highland.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Lochluichart Wind Farm Extension II Application - Scotways REF 19/01284/FUL

Good afternoon Nick,

Thank you for your email response of 20 August and for the attachment of 6.45 of the EIA – I had thought that you were referring to a new document rather than that submitted with the planning application.

The line of HR46 shown on Figure 6.1 now reflects the recorded line of the right of way highlighted on our maps when we commented at both the scoping (23/05/2017) and the application (15/05/2019) stages. Additionally we are pleased to note that the term *Recorded Right of Way* has been added under the Heritage Path route name on the Legend.

Section 6.45 of the EIA Report submitted with this planning application (19/01284/FUL) does indeed mention HR46 but given the incorrect mapping on Figure 6.1 we were unable to determine whether the <u>distances</u> noted in that paragraph, and elsewhere in the EIA were correct hence what may seem like a pedantic response with a request for clarity.

With your 'revised' recorded line of HR46 you now note that the separation distance is 986 m from T2 in the EIA report layout, thank you for that clarification. However, your email of 20 August then talks about separation distances on a further revised development layout, upon which we cannot comment as we have not received any information in that regard. We would welcome details of this revised development in order to be able to comment.

With reference to recreational routes not being in the public domain it should be noted that at scoping when ScotWays responded (23/05/2017) we offered the developer the chance to get in touch if they required maps of the wider study area. As already noted by the applicant our hill track routes are in the public domain in the form of our published book, *Scottish Hill Tracks* which is now in its fifth edition. Additionally Heritage Paths routes are publically available on our project website *heritagepaths.co.uk* 

Kind regards Lynda

From: Nick Sage [mailto:N.Sage@infinergy.co.uk]

Sent: 28 August 2019 17:04

To: Lynda Grant

Subject: RE: Lochluichart Wind Farm Extension II Application - Scotways REF 19/01284/FUL

Hi Lynda

This is s. 6.45 in the EIA Report (as attached), not Supplementary Information.
Many thanks
Kind Regards
Nick
From: Lynda Grant < lynda grant@Scotways.com > Sent: 28 August 2019 15:59  To: Nick Sage < N.Sage@infinergy.co.uk > Subject: FW: Lochluichart Wind Farm Extension II Application - Scotways REF 19/01284/FUL
Hi Nick
I've started to have a look at this and I'm hopeful that you can clarify something.
In your comments below with regard to HR46 you mention this is acknowledged in Section 6.45 in the EIA Report (draft attached). The supplementary information attached does refer to HR46 but there is no Section 6.45 contained within this. Should I have something additional?
Look forward to hearing from you.
Lynda
From: Nick Sage [mailto:N.Sage@infinergy.co.uk] Sent: 20 August 2019 11:07 To: Lynda Grant Cc: Peter.Wheelan@highland.gov.uk Subject: RE: Lochluichart Wind Farm Extension II Application - Scotways REF 19/01284/FUL
Morning Lynda
Please see update Figure attached, and comments below in red to the points you have raised.
Many thanks
Kind Regards
Nick
From: Lynda Grant <lynda_grant@scotways.com></lynda_grant@scotways.com>

Sent: 12 August 2019 14:55
To: Nick Sage < N.Sage@infinergy.co.uk >

Cc: Peter.Wheelan@highland.gov.uk

Subject: RE: Lochluichart Wind Farm Extension II Application - Scotways REF 19/01284/FUL

Good afternoon Nick,

Thank you for forwarding your updated Figure 6.1 showing an updated line of HR46 and adding in an additional *Heritage Path*.

Whilst this is a step in the right direction I'm afraid that the line of HR46 is not fully shown – as stated in our response the right of way starts on the A 835 at Loch Glascarnoch (not at the Aultguish Inn as drawn on your revised 6.1). I have attached our map sent with our response in May for information – the orange line being HR46 with the pink line showing the variant promoted in our publication *Scottish Hill Tracks*. Figure 6.1 amended to follow Scotways comments, rather than in their published Scottish Hill Tracks document.

The updated legend shows two *Heritage Paths* but does not recognise that these are recorded rights of way. As each of these routes is a recorded right of way their status should be acknowledged, hence HR46 is the Fish Road and HR43 is the Croick to Black Bridge Track. Added 'Recorded Right of Way' to key, this is acknowledged in Section 6.45 in the EIA Report (draft attached).

I presume that the addition of the route that ScotWays would refer to as right of way HR43 is as a result of the comment on the lack of consideration for recreational routes within the 5km study area. In which case, we are aware of other recreational routes that lie within this study area that are still not shown. The applicant have used all available sources in the public domain to document recreational routes within 5 km. Scotways could well have further recreational routes, but these are not statutory designations or in the public domain.

As HR46 is still incorrectly mapped, I am unsure whether the distances you quote in Section 6.45 and Section 6.111 are correct so I would still seek confirmation on that.

With the revised HR46 Fish Road route, the closest infrastructure is:

- 986 m from T2 in the EIA Report layout; and
- 1,627 m from T4 in the SEI layout.

The revised HR46 Fish Road runs along the north east site boundary of the Proposed Development. Given the intervening distances of T2 in the EIA Report Layout, the conclusions in Section 6.111 remains the same (i.e. low magnitude of effect and low sensitivity receptor resulting in a short-term negligible, adverse effect which is not significant in terms of the EIA Regulations). More relevant now, the separation distance has increased to 1.6 km with the revised development layout (even with the re-routed HR46) and the conclusions remain valid (i.e. no significant effects).

Given that our concerns in our response have not been fully addressed the Society has to continue to object to this application.

Kind regards Lynda

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**Sent:** 02 August 2019 08:55 **To:** Info < info@Scotways.com >

Cc: Peter Wheelan < Peter. Wheelan@highland.gov.uk>

Subject: Lochluichart Wind Farm Extension II Application - Scotways REF 19/01284/FUL

Good Morning Lynda

Further to your letter dated 15<sup>th</sup> May 2019 (Ref: 19/01284/FUL), in response to the Lochluichart Wind Farm Extension II application (the *Proposed Development*), I enclose an updated version of Figure 6.1 – Recreational Routes & Tourist Attractions which plot the amended and additional Heritage Path as requested.

As per Section 6.45 and Section 6.111 of the EIA Report, HR46 is located approximately 500 m north east of the Proposed Development and over 2 km from closest construction work associated with the Proposed Development, the effects on Heritage Paths are considered to be short-term and minor, and therefore not significant in terms of the EIA Regulations.

In addition, the applicant for the Proposed Development is being amended with an application for Supplementary Information to reduce the size of the scheme from 9 to 5 turbines. The applicant hopes to submit this application this month.

Let me know if you require any more information or clarification?

Thanks in advance.

Kind Regards

Nick

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