

CAIRNMORE HILL WIND FARM REDESIGN



ONLINE EXHIBITION

RES is currently consulting on plans to redesign its 8-turbine wind farm proposal at Cairnmore Hill, approximately 4.5km northwest of Thurso, to a more optimised 5-turbine scheme.

An online exhibition and consultation event will be launched on **Wednesday 2nd February 2022** to inform the community about the revised design and gather feedback on the proposal. The event will be hosted on the Cairnmore Hill Wind Farm project website at www.cairnmorehill-windfarm.co.uk.

We will be offering phone and video call appointments on **Wednesday 2nd February 2022 from 12 noon until 8pm** to discuss any questions that people may have with regard to the proposal. Appointments can be booked in advance with RES by calling 07900 193045.



A range of information will be available, including photomontages to help give an impression of what the site could look like from different viewpoints in the area.

Comments to RES on the proposal must be submitted in writing via a 'comments form' which will be available on the project website from the date of the event. The closing date for comments is **Wednesday 2nd March 2022**.

Hard copies of the exhibition materials, including comments forms, will be available from the date of the event by contacting RES.

Please note that comments to RES at this time are not representations to the determining authority (The Highland Council). There will be an opportunity to submit representations to the determining authority should an application be submitted.

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Over the last few years, we have undertaken extensive survey work and environmental studies in order to build a thorough understanding of the site. We have also carefully considered consultation feedback from key consultees and the local community regarding the scheme's design.

We continue to believe that Cairnmore Hill offers excellent potential for a wind farm development. It has good wind resource, few ecological constraints, straight-forward access off the A836 public road and is close to Scrabster harbour for turbine deliveries. Importantly, it also lies in an area identified by The Highland Council as having 'potential for wind farm development'.

As such, we have been exploring an optimised design for Cairnmore Hill Wind Farm – taking the concerns previously raised into consideration. In January 2022 we submitted a Scoping Report to The Highland Council, setting out the proposed scope of environmental work, for a more compact 5-turbine scheme.

Our online exhibition, which is being launched in early February 2022, will provide more information and seek to gather feedback from the local community on the redesign. Further details of the event are provided overleaf.

ABOUT RES

RES, a privately-owned British company with a proud history in the Highlands, is one of the world's leading independent renewable energy project developers. Employing over 100 staff in Scotland, RES has 40 years' experience of developing, constructing and operating projects of outstanding quality, including Forss Wind Farm in Caithness.

If you would like further information on the redesign of Cairnmore Hill Wind Farm please visit www.cairnmorehill-windfarm.co.uk or get in touch using the contact details below.



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