

BRECON AND RADNOR BRANCH

## **URGENT : CONSTRUCTION OF HENDY WIND FARM**

HENDY WIND FARM have submitted much new information to discharge some of the planning conditions. This was advertised on 24<sup>th</sup> May with consultation now extended until 11<sup>th</sup> July.

Discharge of these pre-commencement planning conditions should have been approved before any development began in November 2018.

Now Hendy have CHANGED THE DEVELOPMENT from the plans and documents approved by Minister Lesley Griffiths and listed in the planning conditions in her decision letter.

They are asking Powys to approve the discharge of the conditions without showing any overall plans of the wind farm site and the access from the A44. Neither the public, nor the statutory consultees like NRW, can see what they actually intend to do. No further consultation on discharge of conditions should take place until we can see what they want to construct.

<u>Please ask Powys to insist that FULL AND TRANSPARENT PLANS of all intended development</u> including access are provided for a new proper public consultation on discharge of conditions.

Please write to: <u>Holly-Ann Hobbs</u> (Case Officer) ...... <u>holly.hobbs@powys.gov.uk</u>

With copies to:

<u>Peter Morris</u> (Head of Planning) ......<u>peter.morris@powys.gov.uk</u> <u>Gwilym Davies</u> (Head of Property, Planning & Public Protection).. <u>gwilym.davies@powys.gov.uk</u>

IT IS URGENT TO WRITE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE – 11<sup>th</sup> July is the very last opportunity.

USE YOUR OWN WORDS - please do not copy this text.

**PLEASE CIRCULATE** - to any organisation or individual who might be concerned

The reference is HENDY WIND FARM P/2014/0672

(Planning Appeal Inspectorate Reference: APP/T6850/A/17/3176128)

## More details:

## No proper plans

- There are no plans for the entrance off the A44.
- There are no plans of the area where the northern route across the common meets Turbine 5: these should show the concrete batching plant and another new construction compound.
- There are no plans showing clearly how the layout relates to habitat features
- There are no plans showing how the layout interacts with Public rights of Way
- There are no details of the permissive footpath south from Turbine 3 towards the "borrow pit"
- Hidden away under Condition 25 there are partial plans which show how their micrositing of turbines breaks the rules for bat protection and buffers for public rights of way and how they mean to develop outside the approved the red-line boundary.

*Hendy Wind Farm* has made applications to discharge some of the pre-commencement conditions attached to Minister Lesley Griffith's permission.

9, 10, 14, <u>15</u>, <u>21</u>, 23, <u>24</u>, <u>25</u>, <u>26</u>, 27, <u>28</u>, <u>29</u>, 30, 31, 32, 35, <u>38</u>, <u>39</u>, 40, <u>41</u>, <u>42</u>, 43, <u>44</u>, 46, 48, <u>51</u>

Powys has already approved discharge of five green ones.

## New Consultation Period until 11<sup>th</sup> July

On 24/5/19 Powys advertised a new consultation period for **eight red ones** because the developer submitted new information.

**C15** Details of permanent outdoor lighting

**<u>C21</u>** Construction Environmental Management Plan

**C24** Water Quality Monitoring Strategy

- **C25** Access to Public Rights of Way during Construction
- **C28** Traffic Management Plan for delivery of large turbine parts
- C38 Protected Species Protection Plan for all stages of development
- C39 Bat Protection Plan for all stages of development
- **C41** Ecological Monitoring Plan for all stages of development

C21 is critical because the developer says they will not restart development before discharge of C21 is approved. This <u>Phase 2 Construction Environmental Management Plan</u> should not have been submitted without full plans at an adequate scale. Powys were over two weeks late in posting the Phase 2 CEMP on the website and the Case Officer has now agreed to an extension.

CPRW also believes that Hendy Wind Farm should make a new application for these changes.

Link to the Powys website for Hendy where you can see all the Conditions documents:

https://pa.powys.gov.uk/online-applications/simpleSearchResults.do?action=firstPage

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