

COWAL AND TROSSACHS FOREST DISTRICT WIND FARM - BACHAN BURN



PNE WIND UK (PNE) is working with Forestry Commission Scotland (FCS) to explore the potential of siting wind turbines on the National Forest Estate.

Since 2009, FCS has been selecting development partners to deliver renewable energy from wind farm projects on the National Forest Estate, whilst maximising local community benefits.

As part of this process, PNE was awarded exclusive rights to investigate the potential of new onshore wind energy projects over 5MW within both the Tay Forest District and Cowal and Trossachs Forest District.

Developing renewable energy on the National Forest Estate in the Cowal & Trossachs Forest District will:

- Provide a unique opportunity for communities to become partners in the project
- Contribute to the capability of developing renewables on public land in Scotland
- Contribute to Scottish and UK Government renewable energy targets

PASSION FOR ENERGY, POWER FOR CHANGE

PNE is a subsidiary of PNE WIND AG, a successful wind farm developer. From PNE's head office in Edinburgh our core objective is to develop sensitively designed onshore wind energy projects.

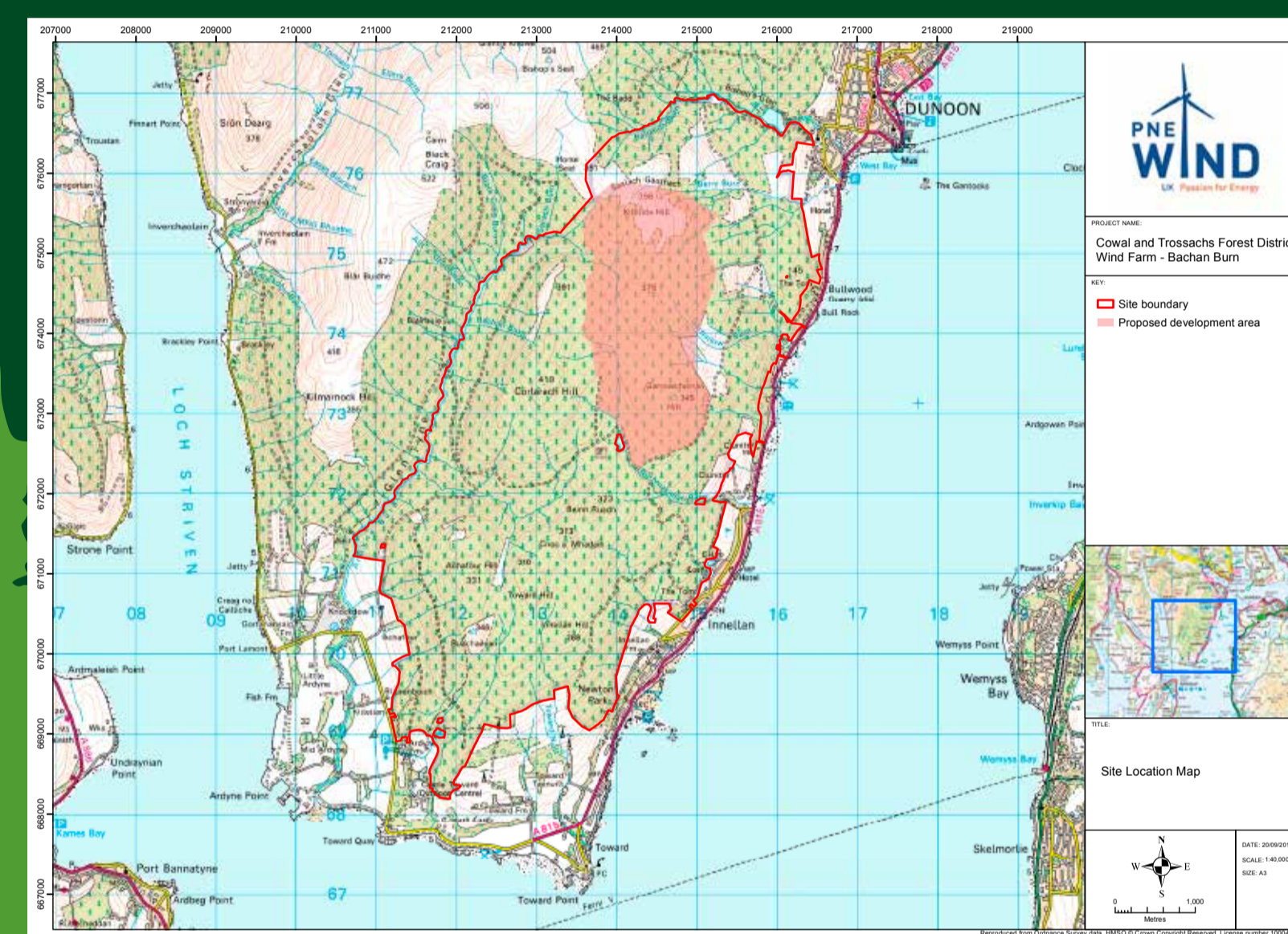
The Scottish Government has set a target of generating the equivalent of 100 per cent of Scotland's gross annual electricity consumption from renewable sources by 2020.

The development of wind energy on the National Forest Estate will contribute towards these targets, whilst securing benefits for local communities.

OUR PLANS

PNE and FCS are working in close partnership to develop proposals for the Cowal and Trossachs Forest District Wind Farm - Bachan Burn.

BOUNDARY MAP



PNE has been undertaking a range of feasibility assessments to understand the suitability of the site for wind farm development. We are now able to progress with the comprehensive Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), which includes bird, mammal, habitat and landscape surveys. This will help us to ensure the Wind Farm will feature a design sensitive to the natural features of the site. The findings of the EIA will be presented as an Environmental Statement (ES), which we would hope to submit with the planning application in late 2014.

COMMUNITIES

PNE is committed to supporting local communities close to our wind farm sites. Thorough consultation and engagement with the people who live and work near our sites is key to the development of our projects.

We will shortly commence our extensive community consultation programme. This will include public consultation exhibitions, regular project newsletters and website updates.

COMMUNITY LIAISON GROUP

PNE will create a Community Liaison Group (CLG) to ensure that the proposal for the Cowal and Trossachs Forest District Wind Farm - Bachan Burn takes account of local people's views.

The CLG will receive regular project updates and input into all aspects of the Wind Farm's development.

COMMUNITY BENEFITS

The renewable energy programme planned on the National Forest Estate is a new opportunity designed to ensure that communities have flexibility in how they benefit from development in their area.

FCS has set out three ways in which community groups can get involved in projects being developed on the National Forest Estate, these include:

- Option A - receive a community benefit payment annually
- Option B - convert the annual community benefit into a carried equity stake
- Option C - investment by the local community into the project



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