

Environmental Considerations

Local Wildlife: Extensive ecological surveys have been carried out on the proposed site including bat, bird, mammal, and vegetation surveys. During construction, management plans, approved by the council, will be implemented to ensure any disturbance to local wildlife is kept to a minimum and where possible enhanced.

Peat: Varying depths of peat have now been identified across the site. This information has also played a key part in the design of the proposed layout.

Noise: Noise monitoring is now being carried out to ensure the proposal will be in line with ETSU-R-97 "The Assessment & Rating of Noise from Wind Farms" guidance. The distance from the nearest property is approximately 2km (1.24 miles).

Landscape and Visual: The proposed development has been designed as an Extension to Tom nan Clach Wind Farm, from key viewpoints surrounding the site and taking into account the findings from the original application process.

Access

Route: Wind turbines will be delivered to Inverness Harbour, which has a long track record of the ability to handle wind farm components landed by ship; deliveries will then follow the A9 and A96/B9007 to site.

Preferred access: By using the existing Tom nan Clach Wind Farm access track off the B9007, this greatly reduces the need for new access roads, the amount of material required to be brought onto site and reduces the environmental impact.



Operational Tom nan Clach Wind Farm