

TECHNICAL APPENDIX 8.8: CUMULATIVE VISUAL ASSESSMENT TABLES

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1 Technical Appendix 8.8: Cumulative Visual Assessment Tables

1.1 Introduction

- 1.1.1 Cumulative effects are those that occur as a result of the construction of more than one development of similar type within the landscape. In terms of visual amenity, cumulative effects may result where a number of wind energy developments combine within a particular view, increasing the prominence of wind turbines.
- 1.1.2 The cumulative visual assessment considers the potential cumulative effect resulting from the addition of the Proposed Development to the baseline wind development scenario (refer to Figure 8.7.2 and Table 8.16 within Chapter 8). For the purposes of the assessment, two baseline cumulative scenarios have been considered:
- Scenario 1: All **operational and consented** cumulative baseline sites would be operational within the landscape; and
 - Scenario 2: All **operational, consented and application** cumulative baseline sites would be operational within the landscape.

- 1.1.3 Visual receptors located at viewpoints (VPs) (see Figures 8.5.1 and 8.5.2), using routes (see Figure 8.6.2 and 8.6.3) and in residential areas (Figure 8.6.3) are considered in the cumulative visual assessment, as described in Technical Appendix 8.6: Visual Assessment Tables. However, only those locations which have been identified as likely to experience a minor visual effect or greater as a result of the Proposed Development alone have been included, as it is considered that a lower effect could not contribute to a significant cumulative effect. The following receptor locations are therefore included in the cumulative assessment:

Viewpoints

- VP 1: Track to Loch Liath (see Figures 8.9.1 to 8.9.4);
- VP 2: Old Bridge, Invermoriston (see Figures 8.10.1 to 8.10.4);
- VP 3: Meall Fuar-mhonaidh (see Figures 8.11.1 to 8.11.4);
- VP 5: Suidhe Viewpoint, B862 (see Figures 8.13.1 to 8.13.4);
- VP 6: Summit by Suidhe Viewpoint, B862 (see Figures 8.14.1 to 8.14.4);
- VP 7: B862 south of Foyers (see Figures 8.15.1 to 8.15.4);
- VP 10: Great Glen Way near Carn a' Bhodaich (see Figures 8.18.1 to 8.18.4);
- VP 15: Poll-gormack Hill (see Figures 8.23.1 to 8.23.4);
- VP 17: B862 south of Dores (see Figures 8.25.1 to 8.25.4);
- VP 26: A87 Bun Loyne (see Figures 8.34.1 to 8.34.4);

Residential Locations and Settlements

- R5 (Properties around Cragganvallie)
- R7 (Properties south of Dores)
- R9 (Easter and Wester Aberchalder and Migovie)
- R12 (Garthbeg, Corriegarth Lodge and nearby properties)
- R13 (A range of properties in the vicinity of the B862 minor public road in the area near Whitebridge)
- R14 (Knockie Estate Cottages and properties in vicinity including Knockie Lodge Hotel)

Routes

- A87
- B862
- Core Path IN12.04 (Kindrummond to Dirr Wood)
- Core Path IN13.02 (Cnoc a Bhachaille)
- Core Path IN22.03 (Clansman Hotel to Abriachan)
- Core Path IN25.02 (Garthbeg to Errogie, south side of Loch Mhor)
- Great Glen Way

Notes on Cumulative Assessment Tables

- 1.1.4 For receptors at Viewpoints, cumulative baseline sites theoretically visible in combination with the Proposed Development are identified as being either ‘in combination’ or ‘in succession’:
- Sites visible ‘in combination’ with the Proposed Development refer to those that are visible within the observer’s arc of vision with the Proposed Development. That is, within the same 90° field of view as the Proposed Development. All sites identified as visible in combination are not necessarily visible in combination with each other. Sites within 60-90° would be within the observer’s peripheral field of view and are marked ‘P’.
 - Sites visible ‘in succession’ refer to those that are visible when the observer turns their head away from the Proposed Development.
- 1.1.5 For receptors in residential locations and settlements and on routes, cumulative baseline sites theoretically visible are identified as being ‘frequent’ or ‘occasional’:
- The term ‘frequent’ is used where sites appear regularly and with short time lapses between appearances in sequential views. For receptors in residential locations and settlements, this would describe sites that appear regularly from several parts of the settlement/residential cluster.
 - The term ‘occasional’ is used where there are long time lapses between appearances in sequential views. For receptors in residential locations and settlements, this would describe sites that would appear from fewer parts of the settlement/residential cluster, and therefore less frequently.
- 1.1.6 The cumulative baseline scenario for all VPs is illustrated on Figures 8.9.1 to 8.34.4. Cumulative Zones of Theoretical Visibility (ZTVs) with cumulative baseline sites are included as Figures 8.8.1 to 8.8.24.
- 1.1.7 To minimise confusion with other operational developments, the Operational Development is referred to in this Technical Appendix as Bhlaraidh Wind Farm. In the descriptive text, the status of each wind development is noted in brackets for clarity.

1.2 Cumulative Viewpoints Assessment

Table 1.2.1: VP 1 - Track to Loch Liath

Cumulative Baseline Scenario					
Viewpoint Location and Context	Illustrative of open, very close-proximity view, from track on the edge of the Bhlaraidh Wind Farm site.				
Cumulative Baseline Scenario Wind Developments Theoretically Visible with the Proposed Development	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Visible in combination</th><th>Visible in succession</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td> <u><i>Operational / Under Construction:</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corriegarth 2 (P); • Bhlaraidh (P); • Corriegarth (P); • Dunmaglass (P); • Stronelaig. <u><i>Consented:</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aberarder (P); • Dell. </td><td> <u><i>Operational / Under Construction:</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. • None. <u><i>Consented:</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. </td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Visible in combination	Visible in succession	<u><i>Operational / Under Construction:</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corriegarth 2 (P); • Bhlaraidh (P); • Corriegarth (P); • Dunmaglass (P); • Stronelaig. <u><i>Consented:</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aberarder (P); • Dell. 	<u><i>Operational / Under Construction:</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. • None. <u><i>Consented:</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None.
Visible in combination	Visible in succession				
<u><i>Operational / Under Construction:</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corriegarth 2 (P); • Bhlaraidh (P); • Corriegarth (P); • Dunmaglass (P); • Stronelaig. <u><i>Consented:</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aberarder (P); • Dell. 	<u><i>Operational / Under Construction:</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. • None. <u><i>Consented:</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. 				
Description of Baseline Cumulative View	Views over moorland and young trees with the Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbines visible in close proximity on top of a ridge, with associated tracks and substation visible too. Deer fences and small lochan can be seen in the foreground. Views south and west are contained by landform and forestry, so main views are directed towards north-east towards Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) and east towards Loch Ness. Dunmaglass and Corriegarth Wind Farm (operational) turbines appear as two separate clusters on the distant skyline where the landscape opens up to the east, on the other side of the glen and forested slopes. Aberarder Wind Farm (consented) would be seen adjacent to Dunmaglass Wind Farm turbines (operational) and would increase this cluster, and Corriegarth 2 Wind Farm (application) would slightly extend the Corriegarth cluster. A few tips of Stronelaig Wind Farm (operational) turbines are barely perceptible over the horizon to the south-east, and Dell (consented) and Cloiche (application) Wind Farms would increase the number of tips visible in this direction.				
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Low				
Assessment of Cumulative Effect					
Nature of Change	The Proposed Development turbines would be visible in close proximity in main views to the north-east behind Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbines, seen on the skyline as hubs and blades, partially screened by landform. The Proposed Development would slightly increase the horizontal field of view occupied by Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) but would appear in scale and not appear taller than the Bhlaraidh Wind Farm turbines. The introduction of the Proposed Development would result in a perceptible increase in wind turbines, but it would not increase to overall prominence of wind turbines in the area.				
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Low				
Cumulative Visual Effect	Minor (not significant) for both cumulative baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented and application sites.				

Table 1.2.2: VP 2 – Old Bridge, Invermoriston

Cumulative Baseline Scenario		
Viewpoint Location and Context	Representative of close-proximity views from Invermoriston, taken from Old Bridge. The Great Glen Way and A82 road are nearby, and this point is a popular visitor destination with similar views to the A82 bridge, although slightly less screened.	
Cumulative Baseline Scenario Wind Developments Theoretically Visible with the Proposed Development	Visible in combination <u>Operational / Under Construction:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. • Bhlaraidh <u>Consented</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. 	Visible in succession <u>Operational / Under Construction:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. <u>Consented:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dell.
Description of Baseline Cumulative View	Main views east over river, framed by trees along river bank, looking towards hills with forestry in mid-ground and craggy moorland on higher ground. Some tips of Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) are theoretically visible to the north-west, but are screened by foreground trees and forestry in the mid-ground. A couple of tips of Dell Wind Farm (consented) would be screened by nearby vegetation.	
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Low	
Assessment of Cumulative Effect		
Nature of Change	Some Proposed Development turbine tips would be perceptible in main views on the skyline to the north-west, partially screened by trees and landform. Although theoretically visible, Bhlaraidh (operational) and Dell (consented) Wind Farm turbines would not be visible due to tree screening, so the addition of the Proposed Development would not result in any discernible increase in the appearance of wind turbines in the view.	
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Negligible	
Cumulative Visual Effect	Negligible (not significant) for both cumulative baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented and application sites.	

Table 1.2.3: VP 3 – Meall Fuar-mhonaidh

Cumulative Baseline Scenario			
Viewpoint Location and Context	Illustrative of elevated views from popular local hill summit on the north-western side of Loch Ness, within Loch Ness and Duntelchaig SLA.		
Cumulative Baseline Scenario Wind Developments Theoretically Visible with the Proposed Development	Visible in combination		Visible in succession
	<u>Operational / Under Construction:</u>	<u>Consented:</u>	<u>Operational / Under Construction:</u> <u>Application / Appeal</u>
<p><u>Consented:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dell; • Lochluichart Extension 2; • Millennium South (P). <p><u>Application / Appeal</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cloiche; • Glenshero; • Kirkan. 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corriegarth 2. • Corriegarth; • Dunmaglass; • Farr; • Glen Kyllachy; • Moy. <p><u>Consented:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aberarder.
Description of Baseline Cumulative View	<p>Elevated, panoramic views over craggy upland moorland with occasional lochans and mountains in the distance to the south, south-west and south-east. Views across the Great Glen to the east, over Loch Ness, low-lying farmland and forested slopes. Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) is visible in close proximity to the south-west, and Millennium Wind Farm (operational) can also be seen to the south-west, further in the distance. One tip of Beinneun Wind Farm is also theoretically visible on the skyline next to Millennium Wind Farm, but would be barely perceptible. Millennium South Wind Farm (consented) would also be visible in this direction, within this cluster. To the north, several wind turbines would be seen together in the distance, including those of Fairburn Wind Farm (operational) and Kirkan Wind Farm (consented), while slightly further west, some tips of Lochluichart Wind Farm and Extension (operational), Corriemoillie Wind Farm (operational) and Lochluichart Extension 2 (application) would be barely perceptible. To the east and north-east, three separate clusters of wind turbines would be visible on the other side of the Great Glen: Moy Wind Farm (operational); Farr and Glen Kyllachy Wind Farms (both operational); and Dunmaglass (operational) and Aberarder (application). To the south-east, Corriegarth Wind Farm (operational) and Corriegarth 2 Wind Farm (application) would be visible across the Great Glen. Further south, Stronelaig Wind Farm turbines (operational) can be seen on the skyline, disappearing behind a ridge. Dell Wind Farm (consented), Cloiche and Glenshero (both application) Wind Farms would fill in gaps on the skyline and form a relatively large cluster together with Stronelaig turbines.</p>		
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Low		
Assessment of Cumulative Effect			
Nature of Change	<p>The Proposed Development turbines would be visible in panoramic views south-west in front of the Bhlaraidh (operational) turbines, appearing closer and slightly increasing the horizontal field of view. Construction would be noticeable but seen in the context of the Bhlaraidh turbines. Other wind farm clusters (including operational, consented and application sites) would be visible on the distant skyline to the north, north-east and south-west. The introduction of the Proposed Development would result in a perceptible increase in wind turbines and may slightly increase the prominence of wind turbines in the area, as the turbines would appear larger and closer in the view in front of Bhlaraidh turbines.</p>		
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Medium		
Cumulative Visual Effect	<p>Minor-moderate (not significant) for both cumulative baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented and application sites.</p>		

Table 1.2.4: VP 5 – Suidhe Viewpoint, B862

Cumulative Baseline Scenario			
Viewpoint Location and Context	Elevated viewpoint with information board by B862, illustrative of views from roadside. Situated on General Wade's Military Road, within Loch Ness and Duntelchaig SLA.		
Cumulative Baseline Scenario Wind Developments Theoretically Visible with the Proposed Development	Visible in combination	Visible in succession	
	<u>Operational / Under Construction:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. • Bhlaraidh; • Dunmaglass. <u>Consented:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aberarder. 	<u>Operational / Under Construction:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corriegarth 2. <u>Consented:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. 	<u>Application / Appeal</u>
Description of Baseline Cumulative View	Open, elevated views, panoramic but with main views towards north-east over Loch Ness, forested wide glens and the B862 continuing into the distance. To the east-north-east the landform is more craggy and rocky in contrast to the expansive broad valley of Stratherrick and the Great Glen. Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) is visible to the north-west. To the north-east, Corriegarth Wind Farm (operational) can be seen on the skyline in a dip in the landform, and Dunmaglass Wind Farm (operational) can be seen slightly further north on the skyline. Corriegarth 2 Wind Farm (application) would be visible behind and/or adjacent to existing Corriegarth turbines, but some of the application turbines would be seen in a separate part of the skyline, on the other side of a hill. A few tips of Aberarder Wind Farm (consented) would be theoretically visible behind Dunmaglass Wind Farm, but would likely be barely perceptible.		
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Low-medium		
Assessment of Cumulative Effect			
Nature of Change	The Proposed Development turbines would be noticeable in side views on the skyline to the north-west, adjacent to Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational), extending this cluster of turbines along the skyline in this part of the view. They would be introduced into a panoramic view that includes several turbines in a separate part of the view to the north-east; namely Dunmaglass and Corriegarth Wind Farms (operational), Aberarder (consented), and Corriegarth 2 (application) Wind Farms. The introduction of the Proposed Development would therefore lead to a perceptible increase in the prominence of wind turbines as a feature in the view.		
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Medium		
Cumulative Visual Effect	Minor-moderate (not significant) for both cumulative baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented, and application sites.		

Table 1.2.5: VP 6 – Summit by Suidhe Viewpoint, B862

Cumulative Baseline Scenario			
Viewpoint Location and Context	Elevated viewpoint at popular summit along footpath going off from B862, near Suidhe Viewpoint.		
Cumulative Baseline Scenario Wind Developments Theoretically Visible with the Proposed Development	Visible in combination		Visible in succession
	<i>Operational / Under Construction:</i>	<i>Application / Appeal</i>	<i>Operational / Under Construction:</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. <p><i>Consented:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beinneun; • Beinneun Extension; • Millennium. <p><i>Consented:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Millennium South. 			<p><i>Application / Appeal</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corriegarth 2. • Corriegarth; • Dunmaglass. <p><i>Consented:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aberarder.
Description of Baseline Cumulative View	Open, elevated, panoramic views over landscape with views over lochs and broad forested valleys to the north-east including the turbines of Dunmaglass and Corriegarth Wind Farms (both operational), seen as two separate clusters. Corriegarth 2 (application) and Aberarder (consented) would also be seen extending this grouping. To the south, there are views across craggy upland and lochs, the road disappearing into the distance and distant mountains, with Millennium, Beinneun and Beinneun Extension Wind Farms (all operational) visible on the distant skyline to the south-west appearing as a cluster, where Millennium South Wind Farm (consented) would also be visible.		
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Medium		
Assessment of Cumulative Effect			
Nature of Change	Some Proposed Development turbines would be visible on the skyline to the north-west in panoramic views but the majority would be screened by landform. Walking along the path to this VP from B862, visibility of the Proposed Development decreases as you travel west. Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) is also screened when you reach the VP. The Proposed Development would therefore represent a new addition to this part of the view, although it would occupy a relatively small extent of the overall view which features a number of other wind developments in other directions. The Proposed Development would therefore lead to a perceptible increase in the prominence of wind turbines as a feature in the view.		
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Low		
Cumulative Visual Effect	Minor-moderate (not significant) for cumulative baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented and application sites.		

Table 1.2.6: VP 7 – B862 south of Foyers

Cumulative Baseline Scenario			
Viewpoint Location and Context	Illustrative of views from section of the B862 road.		
Cumulative Baseline Scenario Wind Developments Theoretically Visible with the Proposed Development	Visible in combination		Visible in succession
	<u>Operational / Under Construction:</u>	<u>Application / Appeal</u>	<u>Operational / Under Construction:</u>
<p>Consented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. <p>Operational / Under Construction:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bhlaraidh; • Millennium. <p>Application / Appeal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corriegarth 2. 			<u>Application / Appeal</u>
Description of Baseline Cumulative View	Open views over moorland and farmland across nearby areas of woodland and hills to the east. Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbine tips and hubs are visible on the skyline to the north-east. For receptors travelling along this road, Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) would feature in side views. Turbine tips of Dunmaglass Wind Farm (operational) are perceptible to the north-east and Corriegarth Wind Farm (operational) is noticeable on the skyline to the east. Corriegarth 2 Wind Farm (application) would be prominent in front of Corriegarth Wind Farm turbines. Some Millennium Wind Farm (operational) tips are theoretically visible to the south-west, but are in reality screened by trees in the midground.		
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Low		
Assessment of Cumulative Effect			
Nature of Change	The Proposed Development turbines would be noticeable in side views on skyline, seen adjacent to the Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbines, extending the vertical and horizontal field of view occupied by turbines. In a separate part of the view, turbines of Corriegarth and Dunmaglass Wind Farms (operational) would be visible to the east, with the prominent Corriegarth 2 Wind Farm (application) turbines. The Proposed Development turbines would appear of a relative, if not smaller, scale than Corriegarth 2 Wind Farm (application) turbines, but would be introduced to a side view from the road. The introduction of the Proposed Development would result in a noticeable increase in wind turbines, where they would become prominent but would not dominate the overall view.		
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Medium-high		
Cumulative Visual Effect	Moderate (significant) for both cumulative baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented and application sites.		

Table 1.2.7: VP 10 - Great Glen Way near Carn a'Bhodaich

Cumulative Baseline Scenario		
Viewpoint Location and Context	Illustrative of views from section of the Great Glen Way on C1060 minor road, to the north of Carn a'Bhodaich.	
Cumulative Baseline Scenario Wind Developments Theoretically Visible with the Proposed Development	Visible in combination	Visible in succession
	<u>Operational / Under Construction:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bhlaraidh; Corrimony. Fairburn; Lochluichart and Extension. <u>Consented:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> None. 	<u>Application / Appeal</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> None <u>Operational / Under Construction:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Corriemoillie; Lochluichart and Extension. <u>Consented:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lochluichart Extension 2.
Description of Baseline Cumulative View	Elevated open views west-north-west over moorland and fields towards forested hills and mountains with Fairburn, Corriemoillie, Lochluichart and Extension Wind Farms (all operational) visible in the distance forming two separate clusters. Kirkan Wind Farm (application) and Lochluichart Wind Farm Extension 2 (consented) would extend the cluster with Corriemoillie and Lochluichart and Extension (both operational) slightly to the east. Views to the south-west extend to distant uplands with turbines of the Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) on the skyline. Local wood pole line in foreground.	
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Medium	
Assessment of Cumulative Effect		
Nature of Change	The Proposed Development turbines would be visible on the skyline in the distance to the south-west, seen in front of Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbines, extending the vertical and horizontal field of view occupied by turbines. The turbines would appear relatively similar in scale to other operational, consented and application wind developments visible to the north. Although the Proposed Development would form a perceptible addition in views to the south-west, given scale and distance it would not form a distracting feature in the view or increase the overall prominence of wind turbines.	
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Low	
Cumulative Visual Effect	Minor (not significant) for both cumulative baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented and application sites.	

Table 1.2.8: VP 15 – Poll-gormack Hill

Cumulative Baseline Scenario			
Viewpoint Location and Context	Illustrative of elevated mid-range views from summit within Braeroy-Glenshirra-Creag Meagadh WLA, with views across the Corrieyarrick Pass.		
Cumulative Baseline Scenario Wind Developments Theoretically Visible with the Proposed Development	Visible in combination	Visible in succession	
	<u>Operational / Under Construction:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bhlaraidh (P); Beinneun; Beinneun Extension; Corrimony (P); Corriegarth (P); Dunmaglass (P); Fairburn (P); Millennium (P). <u>Consented:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aberarder (P); Dell (P); Millennium South (P). <u>Application / Appeal</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cloiche; Corriegarth 2 (P); Glenshero. 	<u>Operational / Under Construction:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> None. <u>Consented:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> None. 	<u>Application / Appeal</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> None.
Description of Baseline Cumulative View	Elevated panoramic views across moorland upland to the east-north-east and across the forested slopes of the Great Glen to the west. Bhlaraidh and Corrimony Wind Farms (both operational) form a grouping in an adjacent upland area to the north, and Fairburn Wind Farm (operational) can be seen further away in the same direction, backclothed. Turbines of nearby Millennium, Beinneun, and Beinneun Extension Wind Farms (all operational) are prominent on hill slopes in the midground to the north-west, where Millennium South Wind Farm (consented) turbines would be sited within this cluster. Corriegarth and Dunmaglass Wind Farm turbines (both operational) form a cluster to the north-east on the skyline, above a dam structure. Aberarder (consented), Dell (consented), Cloiche (application) and Corriegarth 2 (application) Wind Farms would all be seen as part of this dense cluster. Glenshero Wind Farm turbines (application) would be barely perceptible in a dip in the landform. A steel lattice overhead line passes by nearby to the north-east and the remains of fences can be seen in the foreground.		
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Low		
Assessment of Cumulative Effect			
Nature of Change	The Proposed Development turbines would be visible to the north, in distant panoramic views, adjacent to Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) and in front of Fairburn Wind Farm (operational) further in the distance. The Proposed Development would appear slightly larger than the Bhlaraidh Wind Farm turbines and would extend the horizontal field of view occupied by turbines. The turbines would appear similar in scale to the north-western cluster consisting of Millennium (operational), Millennium South (consented), Beinneun (operational) and Beinneun Extension (operational) Wind Farms, while more prominent than the cluster of turbines to the north-east. The introduction of the Proposed Development would result in a perceptible increase in wind turbines to the north, but it would not increase the overall prominence of wind turbines in the area, due to the context of several other wind developments in the view as a whole.		
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Medium		
Cumulative Visual Effect	Minor (not significant) for both baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented and application sites.		

Table 1.2.9: VP 17 – B862 south of Dores

Cumulative Baseline Scenario			
Viewpoint Location and Context	Layby by B862 by property and field. Illustrative of elevated view across Loch Ness from B road and nearby property, within Loch Ness and Duntelchaig SLA.		
Cumulative Baseline Scenario Wind Developments Theoretically Visible with the Proposed Development	Visible in combination	Visible in succession	
	<u>Operational / Under Construction:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. • Bhlaraidh (P). <u>Consented:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. 	<u>Operational / Under Construction:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. <u>Consented:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. 	<u>Application / Appeal</u>
Description of Baseline Cumulative View	Elevated main views to the west over Loch Ness and forested valley sides, with open field in foreground and focus down to Urquhart Bay, where Urquhart Castle is visible. Boats are visible on the loch; dispersed properties are visible on lower/mid slopes; and the settlement of Drumnadrochit is visible on the valley floor. A property and domestic turbine are visible nearby to the immediate south. Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbines are visible on skyline to the south-west, on the other side of the loch.		
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Medium		
Assessment of Cumulative Effect			
Nature of Change	The Proposed Development turbines would be noticeable on the skyline in main views in front of the Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbines, extending the vertical and horizontal field of view occupied by turbines. Focal features of Urquhart Castle and Meall Fuar-mhonaidh would not be affected and the Proposed Development would be contained in a landform dip. This would result in a perceptible increase in wind turbines but would marginally increase the prominence of wind turbines as a feature in the view.		
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Low-medium		
Cumulative Visual Effect	Minor-moderate (not significant) for both cumulative baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented and application sites.		

Table 1.2.10: VP 26 – A87 Bun Loyne

Cumulative Baseline Scenario			
Viewpoint Location and Context	Illustrative of elevated views from layby and short section of road. Share similar views from this road further south-west.		
Cumulative Baseline Scenario Wind Developments Theoretically Visible with the Proposed Development	Visible in combination	Visible in succession	
	<u>Operational / Under Construction:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. • Bhlaraidh (P); • Beinneun Extension. <u>Consented:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. 	<u>Operational / Under Construction:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. • Beinneun. <u>Consented:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. 	<u>Application / Appeal</u>
Description of Baseline Cumulative View	Elevated main views to the north-east over wooded glen with overhead line (Beauly-Denny) on distant skyline and local overhead line in the foreground. Some tips of Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) are perceptible on skyline and Beinneun and Beinneun Extension Wind Farm (both operational) turbines are prominent in the foreground in views to south, although partly screened by roadside vegetation.		
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Low		
Assessment of Cumulative Effect			
Nature of Change	The Proposed Development turbines would be visible on the skyline in main views in front of Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational), slightly extending the horizontal field of view and appearing slightly bigger. There would be a perceptible increase in wind turbines but, given the prominence of Beinneun and Beinneun Extension Wind Farm (both operational) turbines in close proximity to the south, the Proposed Development is unlikely to increase the overall prominence of wind turbines in the area.		
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Low-medium		
Cumulative Visual Effect	Minor (not significant) for both baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented and application sites.		

1.3 Cumulative Residential Locations and Settlements Assessment

Table 1.3.1: R5 – Properties around Cragganvallie

Cumulative Baseline Scenario													
Location and Context	Properties to south and south-west of VP 10, including along C1060 minor road such as Teavarran, Cragganvallie, Woodend, Rinuden, Ballone and Ladycairn. (See VP 10 for worst-case views from this grouping)												
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Description of Baseline Cumulative View	<p>Mixture of orientations and outlooks.</p> <p>For some properties (e.g. Teavarran and nearby), main views are elevated and open to the south-west onto valley, across fields and forestry towards distant hills, with Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) tips visible on the distant skyline, and properties and overhead lines visible in distance to the west. To the north-west, Fairburn and Lochluichart and Extension (both operational); Lochluichart Extension 2 (consented) and Kirkan (application) Wind Farms would be theoretically visible from these properties, although for properties close to woodland they are likely to be screened. To the south, Stronelaig (operational), Dell (consented) and Cloiche (application) Wind Farms would also be theoretically visible, but due to distance and screening are unlikely to be perceptible. To the south-east, several wind developments are likely to be barely perceptible and screened by trees, including Dunmaglass, Farr, Glen Kyllachy and Corriegarth (all operational); Aberarder (consented); and Corriegarth 2 (application) Wind Farms.</p> <p>For properties on the C1060 minor road (south of VP 10), the majority of views are oriented west towards Allt Mor, with some open side views of Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbine tips on the skyline, and some side views largely screened by vegetation. To the north-west, Fairburn, Corriemoillie, Lochluichart and Extension (all operational); Lochluichart Extension 2 (consented) and Kirkan (application) would be visible in the distance. The majority of views east would be screened by forestry.</p> <p>For other properties, nearby woodland encloses views.</p>												
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Medium												

Assessment of Cumulative Effect	
Nature of Change	For some properties, the Proposed Development would be screened by vegetation. For others with open views to the south-west, the Proposed Development turbines would be perceptible in the distance on the skyline in side and some main/oblique views, adjacent and in front of Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbine tips. Other cumulative baseline developments (for instance to the north-west) may be perceptible in the distance in some views, but many in other directions would be screened or barely perceptible in distant views. The introduction of the Proposed Development would therefore result in a perceptible increase in wind turbines, but due to distance it is unlikely to increase to overall prominence of wind turbines in the area and would not be out of scale with other cumulative baseline sites.
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Locally low
Cumulative Visual Effect	Locally minor (not significant), elsewhere negligible for both cumulative baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented and application sites.

Table 1.3.2: R7 – Properties south of Dores

Cumulative Baseline Scenario					
Location and Context	Properties in elevated location on/near the B862 south of Dores, on the eastern slopes of Loch Ness, including Balnafoich, Kinrumerd and Drummond. (See VP 17 for similar views)				
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Description of Baseline Cumulative View	Open, elevated views of Loch Ness, with tips of Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbines visible to the south-west in a dip on the skyline.				
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Medium				
Assessment of Cumulative Effect					
Nature of Change	The Proposed Development turbines would be noticeable in some side and main views, in a dip in the landform, some views filtered by vegetation. They would be seen in front of Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbines, extending the vertical and horizontal field of view occupied by turbines. Given the lack of wind turbines in other directions, and focus towards the loch, the Proposed Development would result in a perceptible increase in wind turbines but would marginally increase the prominence of wind turbines as a feature in the view.				
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Low-medium				
Cumulative Visual Effect	Minor-moderate (not significant) for both cumulative baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented and application sites.				

Table 1.3.2: R9 – Easter and Wester Aberchalder and Migovie

Cumulative Baseline Scenario													
Location and Context	Properties to south-east of Loch Mhor, at base of Carn Liath.												
Cumulative Baseline Scenario Wind Developments Theoretically Visible with the Proposed Development													
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Description of Baseline Cumulative View	Open main views north-west over loch, moorland and farmland, with turbines of Millennium Wind Farm (operational) visible on skyline to the south-west, where Millennium South (consented) would also be seen, and in some views with Beinneun Wind Farm (operational). Beinneun Extension is also theoretically visible from Easter Aberchalder and some tips of Corriegarth 2 Wind Farm (application) would also be theoretically visible in rear views to the south-east, behind nearby hills. Tips of Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) are just perceptible on the skyline to the north-west.												
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Medium												
Assessment of Cumulative Effect													
Nature of Change	Main, oblique or side views of a few Proposed Development turbine tips perceptible on the skyline, further along the horizon from tips of Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational). They would be seen to the north of Beinneun (operational), Millennium (operational) and Millennium South (consented) Wind Farms on the skyline and would appear slightly larger in scale. It would slightly increase the horizontal field of view occupied by turbines, and may result in a slight increase in the prominence of wind development in views.												
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Low-medium												
Cumulative Visual Effect	Minor (not significant) for both cumulative baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented and application sites.												

Table 1.3.6: R12 – Garthbeg, Corriegarth Lodge and nearby properties

Cumulative Baseline Scenario													
Location and Context	Properties setback from the B862 road, near the southern end of Loch Mhor.												
Cumulative Baseline Scenario Wind Developments Theoretically Visible with the Proposed Development													
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Description of Baseline Cumulative View	Mixed orientations with some main views north-west across Loch Mhor; and some to the south-east and north-east. Turbines of Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) are visible on the skyline to the north-west (although potentially screened by trees from a southern property by Corriegarth Lodge). To the south-east, while turbines of Corriegarth Wind Farm (operational) and Corriegarth 2 Wind Farm (application) would be seen in close proximity. Millennium (operational), Millennium South (consented), Beinneun (operational) and Beinneun Extension (operational) are also theoretically visible to the south-west.												
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Low												
Assessment of Cumulative Effect													
Nature of Change	The Proposed Development turbines would be noticeable in main/oblique or side views on the skyline, in front of Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbines, appearing larger in scale. Nearby trees are likely to screen views of the Proposed Development from the southern property by Corriegarth Lodge. Although the Proposed Development turbines may increase the prominence of wind turbines in views to the north-west, given the cumulative baseline and the proximity and scale of the Corriegarth (operational) and Corriegarth 2 (application) Wind Farms, the addition of the Proposed Development turbines would be unlikely to result in a significant change to the wider view.												
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Medium												
Cumulative Visual Effect	Minor-moderate (not significant) for both cumulative baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented and application sites.												

Table 1.3.11: R13 – A range of properties in the vicinity of the B862 minor public road near Whitebridge

Cumulative Baseline Scenario																													
Location and Context	A range of properties on or in the vicinity of the B862 minor public road. Includes properties between Gorthleck to the north through Whitebridge and down to Knockie Estate. VP 7 is located on the B862 south of Foyers, within this grouping of properties.																												
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Description of Baseline Cumulative View	Mixed orientations and elevations with some main views west and north-west across Loch Ness and some to the south-east and north-east. Some views are enclosed or filtered by foreground trees, such as those within Whitebridge. Where open views are experienced to the north-west, Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbines are visible in many views on the skyline. Turbines of Corriegarth Wind Farm (operational) can be seen in some views to the south-east (for properties north of Whitebridge) often relatively large on the skyline, where Corriegarth 2 (application) would also be noticeable on the skyline. Dunmaglass Wind Farm (operational) can also be seen in some views to the north-east, for properties north of VP 7. North of VP 7, turbines of Millennium (operational) and Millennium South (consented) would be visible in some views, seen to the south-west on the skyline, but in some views are screened by trees or landform. Turbines of Dell and Aberarder (both consented) are theoretically visible from a few properties but visibility is likely to be limited.																												
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Ranges from the majority between Low and Medium, and Locally Medium-High																												
Assessment of Cumulative Effect																													
Nature of Change	For the majority of properties, the Proposed Development would be perceptible on the skyline with Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) in rear, side, oblique, views, larger in the scale than existing turbines. Trees in the distance and sometimes in the foreground provide some partial screening in most views. The Proposed Development turbines would appear larger in scale than the Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbines, but, where visible in the opposite direction, would appear similar in scale to turbines of Corriegarth 2 (application). For a few properties, magnitude of change would be locally higher than other properties in this grouping. These properties are situated just south of VP 7 and in open settings to the north and north-east of Tom a'Mhullaich. The Proposed Development would be noticeable in main or oblique views above the skyline, where hubs and blades would be seen and where Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) is largely imperceptible or fully screened due to screening from landform and/or trees. Other wind developments, such as Corriegarth (operational) and Corriegarth 2 (application) would be seen from more northern properties, but screened from others, whereby the Proposed Development would introduce wind turbines into the view. For properties in Whitebridge (as well as to the south, outside the ZTV), the Proposed Development would be screened by trees or landform.																												
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Ranges from locally negligible (for Whitebridge), low or low-medium for the majority and locally medium for a few properties.																												

Cumulative Visual Effect	Ranges from negligible through minor, minor-moderate (not significant) to locally moderate (locally significant) for both cumulative baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented and application sites.
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Table 1.3.12: R14 – Knockie Estate Cottages and properties in vicinity including Knockie Lodge Hotel.

Cumulative Baseline Scenario					
Location and Context	Properties within wooded context near Loch Knockie (off the B862 road) and properties situated by B862 junction with Knockie Estate, including Knockcarrach, and Wester Drummond and Knockie Lodge Hotel.				
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Description of Baseline Cumulative View	<p>Main views in several directions, with majority of views largely enclosed by woodland, including those of cumulative baseline sites including Dunmaglass (operational), Aberarder (consented), Corriegarth 2 (application). Some more enclosed properties have views of Loch Knockie, whilst others near the B862 road have views east across the road, where Dell (consented) turbine tips would not be perceptible due to screening.</p> <p>From properties in more open contexts, some potentially open elevated views north-west towards Loch Ness are likely, including turbines of Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational), although nearby trees may partially screen views and turbine tips of Dell Wind Farm (consented) would be imperceptible.</p>				
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Ranging between low and medium				
Assessment of Cumulative Effect					
Nature of Change	<p>From the majority of enclosed properties, the Proposed Development turbines would largely not be visible or would be imperceptible due to screening from nearby forestry.</p> <p>In more open contexts, the Proposed Development may be noticeable on the skyline in a dip in the landform, next to Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbines but notably larger in scale. As such, it may increase the horizontal spread of turbines and make turbines more prominent in views. Views may be screened by trees, but it was not possible to verify views from Knockie Lodge Hotel on site from publicly accessible areas.</p>				
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Locally low-medium and negligible for the majority				
Cumulative Visual Effect	Locally minor-moderate and elsewhere negligible (not significant) for both cumulative baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented and application sites.				

1.4 Cumulative Routes Assessment

Table 1.4.1: A87

Cumulative Baseline Scenario					
Location and Context	A-road between Invergarry and Loch Duich				
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Description of Baseline Cumulative View	<p>Variety of outlooks ranging from enclosed views near Invergarry; to elevated views over Loch Garry and Loch Loyne, and along Loch Cluanie; to enclosed but dramatic views within Glen Shiel. For the section between Loch Loyne and the junction with the A887 near Bun Loyne, views are elevated and (for receptors travelling north) extend towards distant uplands, where Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbines are perceptible on the skyline to the east, occasionally screened by nearby forestry. A steel lattice overhead line is also visible on the skyline.</p> <p>Turbines of nearby Beinneun Wind Farms (both operational) are theoretically visible in frequent views between Invergarry and Bun Loyne, and very occasionally between Bun Loyne and Loch Duich, mainly along the shore of Loch Cluanie. For the section between Invergarry and Bun Loyne it is usually seen in combination with Beinneun Extension Wind Farm (operational). Millennium Wind Farm (operational) is also theoretically visible near Whitebridge and Loch Garry, from near Loch Cluanie and the eastern part of Glen Shiel. Millennium South Wind Farm (consented) would be theoretically visible from the eastern part of the route as well, although less frequently between Bun Loyne and Loch Duich.</p>				
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Low				
Assessment of Cumulative Effect					
Nature of Change	The Proposed Development turbines would not be visible from the majority of this route. For a short section of the route near Bun Loyne, between VP 26 and the northern part of Loch Loyne, the Proposed Development turbines would be perceptible on the distant skyline, seen behind and adjacent to the tips of Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbines, slightly extending the horizontal and vertical field of view occupied by turbines. Nearby forestry would occasionally screen these views. Beinneun and Beinneun Extension Wind Farms (both operational) would also be visible from this section of the route in close proximity in views east, although occasionally screened by trees. Millennium (operational) and Millennium South (consented) Wind Farms would also feature in close views along this route when not screened by woodland. Given the theoretical visibility of the cumulative baseline along the route, the additional visibility of the Proposed Development along this section would be perceptible for short sections near Bun Loyne but would not increase the perception of wind development along the wider route.				
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Low				
Cumulative Visual Effect	Locally minor and elsewhere negligible (not significant) for both baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented and application sites.				

Table 1.4.2: B862

Cumulative Baseline Scenario				
Cumulative Baseline Scenario Wind Developments Theoretically Visible	Frequent		Occasional	
	<u>Operational / Under Construction:</u>	<u>Consented: Application / Appeal:</u>	<u>Operational / Under Construction:</u>	<u>Consented: Application / Appeal:</u>
Description of Baseline Cumulative View			A mix of open and enclosed views, with extensive views from some elevated points particularly north-east of Fort Augustus (near VP 5 Suidhe viewpoint) over glens and lochs, and more enclosed, framed scenic views near Loch Duntelchaig. Views near Dores extend across Loch Ness. Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) is visible from several sections along this route, although often screened by landform, forestry and roadside planting. It is visible on the western skyline from many parts of the route, including a glimpsed view at Loch Tarff; elevated views at Suidhe Viewpoint (see VP 5); stretches of road north and south of VP 7 and south of Dores (see VP 17). Other cumulative baseline scenario developments would also be visible in various directions from this route. In frequent views, Millennium (operational) and Millennium South (consented) Wind Farms are theoretically visible from frequent sections of this route, particularly elevated sections near Fort Augustus and near Loch Mhor, and would be seen together in views south-west. Corriegarth Wind Farm (operational) and Corriegarth 2 Wind Farm (application) would also be seen together to the east from several sections, including Suidhe Viewpoint (see VP 5) and as a notable feature on the open skyline from sections of road north of Whitebridge (see VP 7) and near Loch Mhor. Dunmaglass Wind Farm (operational) also features in views east. Several other cumulative baseline scenario developments would also be theoretically be visible along the length of this route, seen more occasionally from open sections of the route. These include Beinnneun and Beinnneun Extension (both operational) from the southern section, south of VP 5; Farr and Moy Wind Farms (both operational) and Aberarder and Dell (both consented) from short sections near Loch Duntelchaig; and very limited visibility of Cloiche and Glenshero (both application).	
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Low			

Assessment of Cumulative Effect	
Nature of Change	<p>The Proposed Development turbines would be noticeable from some parts of this route, e.g. at Loch Tarff, at/around VP 5, VP 7, and VP 17 where the turbines would be seen in front of and adjacent to Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbines extending the horizontal field of view and appearing slightly taller. However, for large sections of this route the turbines would be screened by trees or landform. For receptors travelling along this route, for the most part, the Proposed Development turbines would be seen in side-on views to the direction of travel. From the area around VP 17, they could be seen in oblique views for a short section when travelling south. Often it would be seen in the context of other cumulative baseline sites, such as Millennium (operational), Millennium South (consented), Beinnneun (operational) and Beinneun Extension (operational) Wind Farms to the south-west, or Corriegarth (operational) and Corriegarth 2 (application) Wind Farms. Dunmaglass Wind Farm (operational) would also frequently be seen to the east. Although usually seen in the context of other wind turbines, the Proposed Development may slightly increase the prominence of wind development in views to the west.</p> <p>Other wind developments would also be seen occasionally from sections of this route where the Proposed Development is not visible, contributing to a perception that wind development is present in several directions, but at varying distances.</p>
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Low-medium
Cumulative Visual Effect	Minor-moderate (not significant) for both cumulative baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented and application sites.

Table 1.4.3: Core Path IN12.04 – Kindrummond to Dirr Wood

Cumulative Baseline Scenario			
Location and Context	Elevated route to east of VP 17, from B862 to Dirr Woods, on eastern slopes of the Great Glen, passing farm buildings and through Dirr Woods.		
Cumulative Baseline Scenario Wind Developments Theoretically Visible	Frequent <u>Operational / Under Construction:</u> • Bhlaraidh. <u>Consented:</u> • None.		Occasional <u>Application / Appeal:</u> • None.
Description of Baseline Cumulative View	From the B862, travelling eastwards, elevated views are to the west and north-west over Loch Ness towards Urquhart Bay and Drumnadrochit, with Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbines visible on skyline. Further east on this route, trees of Dirr Woods enclose views. Dunmaglass (operational) and Aberarder (consented) Wind Farms are theoretically visible as tips to the south-east from a short section of this route before Dirr Woods, but are unlikely to be perceptible.		
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Medium		
Assessment of Cumulative Effect			
Nature of Change	For the open part of this route, closest to the B862 road, the Proposed Development turbines would be noticeable on the skyline to the west in front of Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational), similar to views from VP 17, where the horizontal and vertical field of view occupied by turbines would be increased. Trees at Dirr Woods would screen views from the northern section of this route. Although theoretically visible, Dunmaglass and Aberarder are unlikely to be perceptible. As such, the Proposed Development may result in a slight increase in the prominence of wind development seen a short open section of this route south of Dirr Woods.		
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Locally low-medium (elsewhere negligible)		
Cumulative Visual Effect	Locally minor-moderate and elsewhere negligible (not significant) for both cumulative baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented and application sites.		

Table 1.4.4: Core Path IN13.02 – Cnoc a Bhuachaille

Cumulative Baseline Scenario				
Location and Context	Route within Glen Coiltie, to the south-west of Drumnadrochit.			
Cumulative Baseline Scenario Wind Developments Theoretically Visible	Frequent		Occasional	
	<u>Operational / Under Construction:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bhlaraidh; Corriegarth; Dunmaglass; Moy. <u>Consented:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aberarder. 	<u>Application / Appeal:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Corriegarth 2. 	<u>Operational / Under Construction:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Farr; Stronelaig. <u>Consented:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dell. 	<u>Application / Appeal:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cloiche; Glenshero.
Description of Baseline Cumulative View	Views largely enclosed by woodland. Some open views from a short, elevated section through clear-fell on the northern side of the glen, where Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) is theoretically visible in a dip in the landform to the north-west. Several cumulative baseline wind farms are theoretically visible from the length of this route, although due to the wooded context they would likely be screened for the majority of this route. From a short section through clearfell, some cumulative baseline wind farms may be visible to the east in the distance, including Corriegarth (operational), Corriegarth 2 (application), Dunmaglass (operational), Aberarder (consented) and Moy (operational) Wind Farms.			
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Medium			
Assessment of Cumulative Effect				
Nature of Change	From a short open section of route, the Proposed Development turbines are likely to be perceptible in views to the south-west, in front of Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational), but extending the horizontal and vertical field of view occupied by turbines. Other wind developments may be visible to the east and south-east. While the introduction of the Proposed Development would result in a perceptible increase in wind turbines for a short open section of the route in clear-fell, it would not increase to overall prominence of wind turbines along the length of this route.			
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Locally low (elsewhere negligible)			
Cumulative Visual Effect	Locally minor and elsewhere negligible (not significant) for both cumulative baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented and application sites.			

Table 1.4.5: Core Path IN22.03 – Clansman Hotel to Abriachan

Cumulative Baseline Scenario			
Location and Context	Route from A82 on western shores of Loch Ness (south of Balchraggan) to Great Glen Way, passing Carn na Leitire.		
Cumulative Baseline Scenario Wind Developments Theoretically Visible	Frequent		Occasional
	<u>Operational / Under Construction:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Corriegarth; Dunmaglass; Glen Kyllachy; Farr; Moy; Stronelaig. <u>Consented:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aberarder; Dell. 	<u>Application / Appeal:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cloiche; Corriegarth 2; Glenshero. 	<u>Operational / Under Construction:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bhlaraidh; Corriemoillie; Fairburn; Lochluiuchart and Extension; Millennium. <u>Consented:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lochluiuchart Extension 2.
Description of Baseline Cumulative View	Mixture of views, from enclosed wooded views near the A82 and west of Carn na Leitire, to open views near Balchraggan, with views over Loch Ness. Elevated open views over the loch are also experienced from the slopes of Carn na Leitire. From these upper south-west facing slopes of Carn na Leitire, Bhlaraidh and Millennium Wind Farms (both operational) are visible to the south-west in the far distance. From the south-east facing slopes, turbines of several wind developments would be visible across Loch Ness in the distance, including Farr, Glen Kyllachy, Dunmaglass, Corriegarth and Stronelaig and Moy Wind Farms (all operational); Aberarder and Dell Wind Farms (both consented); and Cloiche, Corriegarth 2 and Glenshero (all application) Wind Farms. To the north-west, several cumulative scenario developments would be visible for a shorter section of this route, although partly screened by woodland. These would include Fairburn, Corriemoillie and Lochluuiuchart and Extension (all operational); Lochluuiuchart Extension 2 (consented) and Kirkan (application) Wind Farms.		
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Medium		
Assessment of Cumulative Effect			
Nature of Change	From most of this route, the Proposed Development turbines would not be visible due to screening from landform. From a short section near the peak of Carn na Leitire, the Proposed Development turbines would be perceptible on the skyline, in front and adjacent to Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbines, extending the vertical and horizontal field of view occupied by turbines. It would be seen in context of other wind developments that would be visible across Loch Ness, and to the north-west. The introduction of the Proposed Development would result in a perceptible increase in wind turbines for a short elevated section of the route near Carn na Leitire, but would not increase to overall prominence of wind turbines along the length of this route.		
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Locally low, elsewhere negligible		
Cumulative Visual Effect	Locally minor and elsewhere negligible (not significant) for both cumulative baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented and application sites.		

Table 1.4.6: Core Path IN25.02 – Garthbeg to Errogie, south side of Loch Mhor

Cumulative Baseline Scenario				
Location and Context	Marked route running on the eastern side of Loch Mhor.			
Cumulative Baseline Scenario Wind Developments Theoretically Visible	Frequent <u>Operational / Under Construction:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bhlaraidh; • Beinneun; • Millennium. <u>Consented:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Millennium South. 		Occasional <u>Operational / Under Construction:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corriegarth 2. <u>Application / Appeal:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corriegarth; • Dunmaglass. <u>Consented:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. 	
Description of Baseline Cumulative View	Open views over fields and moorland with main views focussed along the route and across Loch Mhor towards forested hills in the midground and distant uplands. Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbines are visible from a large section of this route, and Millennium and Beinneun Wind Farms (both operational) can also be seen on the skyline to the south-west from the majority of this route. Millennium South (consented) would also be seen from the same areas. Corriegarth Wind Farm (operational) turbine blades are occasionally visible to the south-east behind nearby hills, and the addition of Corriegarth 2 Wind Farm (application) would increase theoretical visibility along the route. Dunmaglass Wind Farm (operational) is also theoretically visible to the east from a short section of this route.			
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Low			
Assessment of Cumulative Effect				
Nature of Change	The Proposed Development turbines would be visible from most of this route in views across the loch in side or oblique views, in front of Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbines and appearing larger in scale, with Millennium and Beinneun (both operational) visible further along the skyline, with Millennium South (consented). Turbines would be noticeable near Garthbeg, with visibility gradually reducing when travelling north, as some turbines would be hidden by landform. Further north, the Proposed Development turbines would be perceptible. It would often be seen in combination with other operational, consented and application sites to the south-east and south-west. Where visible (in the northern section of the route and a short section at Garthbeg), Corriegarth (operational) and Corriegarth 2 (application) turbines would appear close and prominent in views to the south-east on the skyline. Although usually seen in the context of other wind turbines, the Proposed Development would appear noticeable in views to the west along some parts of this route, and is likely to slightly increase the prominence of wind development along the length of this route.			
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Low-medium			
Cumulative Visual Effect	Minor-moderate (not significant) for both cumulative baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented and application sites.			

Table 1.4.7: Great Glen Way

Cumulative Baseline Scenario			
Location and Context	Long distance recreational route from Fort William to Inverness with high level and low level options.		
Cumulative Baseline Scenario Wind Developments Theoretically Visible	Frequent		Occasional
	<i>Operational / Under Construction:</i>	<i>Application / Appeal:</i>	<i>Operational / Under Construction:</i> <i>Consented:</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corriegarth; • Dunmaglass. <p><i>Consented:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aberarder. 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corriegarth 2. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bhlaraidh; • Beinneun; • Beinneun Extension; • Corriemoillie; • Corrimony; • Fairburn; • Farr; • Glen Kyllachy; • Lochluichart and Extension; • Millennium; • Moy; • Stronelaig.
Description of Baseline Cumulative View	<p>Varied views of the Great Glen, including some elevated open views from high level route sections over glens and distant hills with occasional areas of forestry.</p> <p>To the north of Invermoriston, this includes views of Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) to the west, in close proximity, in views looking along Glen Moriston. As the route travels south from Invermoriston, some very short intermittent open views feature Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbine blades on the skyline.</p> <p>From the section near VP 10 (between Loch Laide and the C1060 near Blackfold), views are enclosed by forestry south of Ladycairn, but are open and long ranging near VP 10. Here, panoramic views include Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) to the south-west, but in distant views on the skyline. Fairburn, Corriemoillie and Lochluichart and Extension Wind Farms (all operational) would also be seen from the northern part of the route, to the north-west and north in the far distance, for example near VP 10. Lochluichart Extension 2 (consented) and Kirkan (application) Wind Farms would also be seen from here.</p> <p>More enclosed views are experienced where the route passes through or near woodland, for example south of Invermoriston.</p> <p>Between Fort Augustus and Drumnadrochit, where the route passes along the slopes above Loch Ness, several wind farms would be theoretically visible and may occasionally be seen on the eastern skyline on the other side of the loch, although they are often likely to be screened by woodland. These would include Corriegarth, Dunmaglass, Farr, Glen Kyllachy, Moy and Stronelaig Wind Farms (all operational); as well as Aberarder and Dell Wind Farms (both consented); and Corriegarth 2, Cloiche and Glenshero (all application) Wind Farms.</p> <p>Millennium (operational) and Millennium South (consented) Wind Farms would occasionally be visible along the southern part of the route between Laggan and Fort Augustus. Beinneun and Beinneun Extension Wind Farms (operational) would also be occasionally seen along this part.</p>		
Sensitivity to Additional Change	Medium		

Assessment of Cumulative Effect	
Nature of Change	<p>From the majority of this route, there would be no view of the Proposed Development. The Proposed Development would however be noticeable in side and oblique views from part of the high level route between Invermoriston and the watercourse Allt Saigh, including near Achnaconeran and at/around the 'Viewcatcher' sculpture, and around Loch a'Bhealaich. In these sections, turbines would be seen on the skyline in close proximity, in front of and next to Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) turbines. Several hubs would be visible and appear larger than the Bhlaraidh Wind Farm turbines and would extend the horizontal field of view occupied by turbines.</p> <p>The Proposed Development turbines would also be visible from a stretch of the C1060 minor road near VP 10, seen on the relatively distant horizon with Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational). Other wind farms including Fairburn, Corriemoillie and Lochluichart and Extension Wind Farms (all operational) can also be seen from this section of the road in views north. Lochluichart Extension 2 (consented) and Kirkan (application) Wind Farms would also be seen to the north.</p> <p>On the route south of Invermoriston, there would be some small glimpses of the Proposed Development turbines, along with turbines of Bhlaraidh Wind Farm (operational) on the skyline, and mostly screened by foreground trees. It is likely that a number of other cumulative baseline developments on the other side of Loch Ness would be screened, including Dunmaglass and Corriegarth (both operational); Aberarder (consented) and Corriegarth 2 (application) Wind Farms.</p> <p>Other cumulative baseline wind farms would be theoretically visible along the length of this route, usually seen in relatively distant views.</p> <p>From the majority of the route, the Proposed Development turbines would not be seen, or would be seen in distant views in the context of other cumulative baseline sites, although from part of the high level route between Invermoriston and Allt Saigh they would be noticeable in close proximity with operational turbines and would locally increase the prominence of wind turbines as a feature in the view from this section of the route.</p>
Cumulative Magnitude of Change	Locally low-medium (elsewhere negligible or no view)
Cumulative Visual Effect	Locally minor-moderate and elsewhere negligible (not significant) for both cumulative baseline scenarios 1 and 2, considering the presence of operational, consented and application sites.