

PROPOSAL OF APPLICATION NOTICE

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The Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 as amended by the Planning Etc. (Scotland) Act 2006 Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2008

The Council will respond within 21 days of receiving the Notice. It will advise whether the proposed Pre-application Consultation is satisfactory or if additional notification and consultation above the statutory minimum is required. Please note that a planning application for this proposed development cannot be submitted less than 12 weeks from the date the Proposal of Application Notice is received by the Council and without the statutory consultation requirements having been undertaken. The planning application must be accompanied by a Pre-application consultation report.

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Address or Location of Proposed Development

Please state the postal address of the prospective development site. If there is no postal address, please describe its location. Please outline the site in red on a base plan to a recognised metric scale and attach it to this completed Notice

Gordonbush Wind Farm, By Moulin Cottage, Brora, Sutherland, Kw9 6lx

The Proposed Development is located on Gordonbush Estate, approximately 9.5 km to the north-west of Brora, Sutherland, within the Highland region of Scotland. The Proposed Development would be located within the site boundary of Gordonbush Wind Farm Extension, which became operational in 2021.

The Green Hydrogen Facility and temporary construction compound would be located to the south-west of the turbines on land that was formerly used as the temporary construction compound during construction of the wind farm development. This area has since been reinstated.

This minor amendment to the area associated with this PAN includes an additional area adjacent to the Allt a Mhulinn river to the confluence with the Bull burn.

The Site Location is shown on **Figure 1 – GORH-CVL-SK-0011 PAN Red line boundary rev05**

Description of Development

Please include detail where appropriate – eg the number of residential units; the gross floorspace in m of any buildings not for residential use; the capacity of any electricity generation or waste management facility; and the length of any infrastructure project. Please attach any additional supporting information.

The Proposed Development would consist of an electrolyser system that could produce approximately 2,000 tonnes of Hydrogen per Annum. The site would extend to 1.87 Ha, based on the site platform of approximately 215 metres (m) x 65 m.

The initial indicative layout of the facility would involve the following infrastructure:

- Modular Electrolysis Units;

- Fixed Hydrogen storage;
- Hydrogen storage tube trailers;
- Auxiliary process plant;
- dispenser units to fill the tube trailers;
- infrastructure for water supply and treatment;
- internal access roads;
- foundations and hardstandings (including construction of site drainage);
- perimeter security fencing; and
- security lighting

The facility would produce hydrogen via the proven method of electrolysis. This is a process by which an electrical power source is connected to two electrodes which are placed in water. When an electrical current is passed through the system, hydrogen will appear at the cathode and oxygen at the anode.

The facility and temporary construction compound would be located to the south-west of the existing Gordonbush Wind Farm Extension wind turbines, on land that was formerly used as a temporary construction compound during construction of the wind farm development. The area has since been reinstated.

The facility would reuse the existing wind farm access tracks. Site drainage would be constructed around the perimeter of the facility.

Pre-application Screening Notice

Has a Screening Opinion been issued on the need for a Proposal of Application notice by the Highland Council in respect of the proposed development?
If yes, please provide a copy of this Opinion.

Yes (22/01574/SCRE) – see attached

Community Consultation [See checklist of Statutory minimum consultation attached]

State which other parties have received a copy of this Proposal of Application Notice.

Community Council/s Brora Community Council (Host)	Date Notice Served 20/09/2022
Names/details of any other parties Elected Members – Ward 4 East Sutherland <i>Richard Gale</i> <i>Deirdre Mackay</i> <i>Jim McGillivray</i>	Date Notice Served 20/09/2022
Maree Todd MSP Caithness, Sutherland and Ross	20/09/2022
Jamie Stone MP Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross	20/09/2022

Please give details of proposed consultation

Proposed public event	Venue	Date and time
• Public Exhibition 1	Brora Scout and Guide Hall	20/04/2022 (completed)
• Public Exhibition 2	Brora Scout and Guide Hall	November 2022 (date TBC)

Newspaper Advert – name of newspaper

Advert date (where known)

- Northern Times 08/04/2022 (completed)
- Future advertisements for consultation events will be at least 7 days prior to event

Details of any other consultation methods (date, time and with whom)

- Virtual Exhibition 1 - 18th - 22nd April 2022 (completed)
- Virtual Exhibition 2 - November 2022 (date TBC)

SignedR. Hearnden..... Date.....16.09.2022.....