EX6. FINALISED SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING GUIDANCE: SPATIAL FRAMEWORK AND GUIDANCE FOR WIND ENERGY DEVELOPMENT

The Executive considered a report by the Director of Development Services presenting finalised supplementary planning guidance in regard to wind energy development.

The Council, as planning authority, was required under Scottish planning policy to develop spatial frameworks for onshore windfarms in its area to provide guidance on where wind energy developments could potentially be located.

Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) had been developed to provide such guidance and also set criteria against which planning applications for wind turbine proposals could be assessed and which could be regarded as a material consideration in the determination of such applications.

Draft guidance was issued for consultation in September 2012 and following this, a finalised SPG was presented for approval.

Decision

The finalised Supplementary Planning Guidance: Spatial Framework and Guidance for Wind Energy Development was approved.