

P39. ERECTION OF SINGLE WIND TURBINE, 87 METRES TO TIP, CRANE PAD AND ANCILLARY INFRASTRUCTURE AT SITE TO THE NORTH OF UPPER KINNEIL BUNGALOW, LINLITHGOW FOR KINNEIL POWER LLP - P/14/0729/FUL (CONTINUATION)

With reference to Minute of Meeting of the Planning Committee held on 27 May 2015 (Paragraph P22 refers), Committee (a) gave further consideration to a report by the Director of Development Services; and (b) considered an additional report by the said Director on an application for full planning permission for the erection of a single wind turbine, measuring 60 metres to hub and 87 metres to blade tip, crane hardstanding, paved assembly areas and car parking, a 4 metre access track routed from the turbine to the public road 220m to the west of the site all on farmland to the north of Upper Kinneil Bungalow, Linlithgow to the south west of Bo'ness.

Decision

The Committee refused planning permission for the following reason:-

The wind turbine, by virtue of its height and location would have an unacceptable visual impact on the setting of the Antonine Wall World Heritage Site, Kinneil House and its designated landscape setting and the South Bo'ness Special Landscape Area. The proposed development is therefore contrary to Policies ENV1, ENV2, ENV5, and ENV13 of the Falkirk Council Structure Plan, Policies ST20, ST21, EQ1, EQ14, EQ17, EQ20, EQ22 and EQ23 of the Falkirk Council Local Plan and Policies RW01, GN02, D07, D09, D12 and CG02 of the Falkirk Local Development Plan - Proposed Plan, as well as being contrary to the terms of SPP - Scottish Planning Policy, Falkirk Council Supplementary Planning Guidance Note - Spatial Framework and Guidance for Wind Energy Development and Falkirk Council Draft Supplementary Guidance 14 - Spatial Framework for Wind Energy Development.