

P133. ERECTION OF A SINGLE WIND TURBINE MAXIMUM BLADE TIP HEIGHT OF 78 METRES, HUB HEIGHT OF 50 METRES AND ASSOCIATED ELECTRIC CABINET AND ACCESS TRACK AT POLMONT GOLF CLUB, SIMPSON DRIVE, MADDISTON, FALKIRK FOR FINE ENERGY LTD - P/15/0580/FUL (CONTINUATION)

With reference to Minute of Meeting of the Planning Committee held on 1 February 2016 (Paragraph P121 refers), Committee (a) gave further consideration to a report to that meeting 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 500kw wind turbine measuring 78 metres to blade tip, located in open countryside to the west of Polmont Golf Club, Simpson Drive, Maddiston, Falkirk.

The Committee also considered additional information in relation to the Supplementary Access Statement dated 12 February 2016 which had been submitted by the applicant, copies of which were circulated at the meeting.

The Committee considered that the proposed development, while not strictly in accord with the Development Plan, was acceptable in the circumstances of the particular case as the development would (1) not have an adverse visual impact on the landscape, neighbouring properties or the settlements of Maddiston and Rumford due to the undulating ground conditions, and (2) not have an adverse effect on bats. It was noted that the Roads Development Unit made no objections in relation to access proposals.

Decision

The Committee agreed to grant planning permission subject to such conditions as shall be determined by the Director of Development Services.