

SANDWATER ROAD- EIA SCOPE CONFIRMATION

Location: Skype Call
Date: 31/10/2018
Time: 11:30-12:30

Attendees

Additional Distribution:

Jamie Watt (VEWF)
 Jane McDonald (VEWF)
 Jamie Meneely (VEWF)
 Andrew Smith (VEWF)
 Austin Taylor (SIC)
 John Holden (SIC)
 Dawn Stewart (SIC)
 Richard McNeill (SIC)
 Colin Gair (SIC)
 Jonathan Swale (SNH)
 Zoe Griffin (SEPA)

Ian Innes
 Aaron Priest
 Andrew Curds

Discussion & Action Points

Ref		Action
1.1	JW gives background to proposed application and sets out why VEFW are now intending to apply for planning permission for a new alignment for a new offline solution at Sandwater Rd.	
1.2	Methodology for assessment set out and understanding validity of existing environmental data and reliance on sections of the previous assessment confirmed.	
1.3	JM confirmed that the alignment and, in broad terms, the construction methodology had now been agreed with SIC Roads.	
1.3	Run through of the summary table of page 23 of the report setting out what is proposed to be scoped in and out of the forthcoming EIA	
1.4	Broad agreement on what is proposed to be included in the assessment with the two-following exception. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AT requests that the application focus in more detail on LVIA and include a Visual Impact Assessment in addition to the proposed landscape mitigation measures. • ZG requests that a new assessment is undertaken in relation to impacts on GWDTE's, along with a comparison as to how this compares to the assessment within the 2016 application. 	VEWF
1.5	VEWF confirm they will aim for the application to be submitted in December 2018.	
1.6	JW confirmed more details on the proposed future recreational strategy would come forward with the application with the intention to provide appropriate recreational use to Sandwater Loch users on the existing public road and how this would link into the windfarm access. It was also confirmed that a significant proportion of the existing Sandwater Rd would be reinstated.	
1.7	JW confirmed that no formal scoping application would be submitted, and the pre-application report and the outcome of this discussion would form the basis of the proposed EIA scope.	