

Written Statement: Common Land Consent



This note sets out the elements of the proposed development which require a secondary consent in accordance with the Developments of National Significance (Specified Criteria and Prescribed Secondary Consents) (Wales) Regulations 2016.

In this instance, the proposed development seeks consent to carry out restricted works on common land for the construction and operation of the onshore wind farm consisting of up to six wind turbines. Part of the common land will need to be deregistered and exchanged in order to construct and operate the proposal. The proposed development also involves the carrying out of restricted works on the common for the laying, maintaining, replacement and removal of an underground electricity power cable. Two secondary consents by way of applications pursuant to sections 16 and 38 of the Commons Act 2006 are therefore required under Schedule 1 to the 2016 Regulations.

For further clarity, the proposed development will be constructed on Gelligaer and Merthyr Common (Common Land Unit 38) as set out on the submitted site plans. The inclusion of common land has been addressed in full through the suite of accompanying technical work which supports the DNS application, including the Environmental Statement. As such, this aspect of the proposal is wholly addressed through the submitted application and may be considered as an integral part to the planning proposal.

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