



Bodinglee Wind Farm

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Kype Muir Wind Farm

INSIDE: **Your feedback • Project update • How you have shaped the benefits it could bring**

Getting you involved

We want to update you on the progress made on our Bodinglee Wind Farm project and give you an opportunity to ask questions and give feedback on the development of the project.

Our vision for the site is not just to create a wind farm, but for Bodinglee to deliver sustainable, positive and transformative change for South Lanarkshire. We believe that by finding solutions together with local partners, we can help renewable technology tackle the climate crisis and deliver lasting positive change for communities at the same time and do so in a way which cares for people and the local environment.

After holding one round of full public events in the summer, we are keen to share what has emerged from these conversations and hear your views on how our proposals can deliver a positive legacy for your community in the right way.

In case we haven't met yet

Banks Renewables is part of the Banks Group and provides renewable energy to help meet our society's demand for energy in a sustainable and considerate way.

Based out of Hamilton, South Lanarkshire we have a range of projects in the region. **Development with care** is at the heart of our way of working. It means we work in partnership with communities to deliver lasting and positive social, economic and environmental legacies for the areas hosting our developments.



Gordon Thompson, Head of Projects at our Kype Muir site

SEEKING YOUR FEEDBACK:

How can you get involved?

After holding one round of full public events in the summer, we are keen to share what has emerged from these conversations and hear your views on how our proposals can deliver a positive legacy for your community in the right way.

The second round of public consultation for Bodinglee will begin on the 6th February 2023 and end on the 6th March with an online exhibition and face-to-face consultation. The interactive online consultation will allow you to learn more about and share your views on the project. This is the second round of full public events and is designed to get feedback on the design proposal itself before we submit a planning application, taking community feedback from earlier consultation events into account.

Our face-to-face consultation will be as surgery style events which also allow people to drop-in without an appointment. If you want to speak to a member of the project team then booking an appointment is the best way to secure this. These events will run between 2pm - 7pm and will allow you to book an individual half hour appointment during that window with the project team.

Don't worry if you can't make it to a face-to-face event or can't get an appointment, you can call or email us on the details on this page and we'll be happy to set up an individual meeting with you on another date.



Your personal contacts



Robin Winstanley
COMMUNITY MANAGER

Michael Newton
COMMUNITY LIAISON



Robin and Michael are your community support contacts for our Bodinglee Wind Farm proposal. They're both keen to know your community better, find out how you think it could benefit from our proposals, and get your views on how the project can deliver lasting benefits to the area.

If you are unable to attend the in-person events or view our online consultation, you can contact Robin and Michael using the details opposite.

Let us know your views



Online
banksgroup.co.uk/bodinglee

Available from 6th February 2023 onwards



Phone
0191 378 6100



Email
bodinglee@banksgroup.co.uk



Survey
We want to get as much feedback about our proposal as we can. In order to do this we have created a survey for you to take part in that can be found at the back of this newsletter. Please detach, complete and post the survey to the prepaid address. Alternatively you can complete the survey online at the website above.



Face-to-face events

You are invited to attend one of our five face-to-face events. To book a place at one of these events you can scan the QR code above, visit our website, call or send us an email. The events will be held between 2pm - 7pm on:

Tuesday 21st February 2023

Coalburn Miners Welfare 42 Coalburn Road, ML11 0LH

Wednesday 22nd February 2023

St Brides Centre Breahead, Douglas, ML11 0PT

Thursday 23rd February 2023

Rigside Village Hall 59 Muirfoot Road, Rigside, ML11 9LX

Monday 27th February 2023

Carmichael Village Hall School Road, Carmichael, ML12 6PG

Tuesday 28th February 2023

Roberton Village Hall Mill Road, Roberton, ML12 6RS



3D model

You will be able to see a 3D model of the site at the consultation events. The model will be able to create a viewpoint from your property, based on a local post code you provide. The 3D model is based on the current design proposal that we expect to submit in a planning application which has taken the community feedback from the earlier consultation events into account as the design progressed. If you are unable to make these events, then please contact the project team and we will arrange either a video call or additional in-person events so you are able to view the model.



Affordable Energy Transition Community Workshop we held at St Brides Centre, Douglas in September 2022

EARLY CONSULTATION:

What's happened so far?

Since 2021, we've been busy meeting with and listening to the views of the local communities around the proposed Bodinglee Wind Farm, taking into account local feedback to help develop our proposals. So far, we've focussed on listening to the views of the communities closest to the proposed site, but we're eager to hear the views of anyone with an interest in the project.

We have been:

- Meeting with local community councils and listening to their views
- Meeting with local people and organisations including South Lanarkshire Council
- Working closely with Douglas & Angus Estate - which own the land
- Working with specialist consultants to understand how we can set the best example possible from an environmental, social and economic perspective
- Facilitating a series of workshops on topics related to the project such as heritage & affordable clean energy
- Holding a series of public consultation events in the summer
- Meeting with local experts on topics like historical assets and energy saving
- Raising awareness of the project with social media posts, news releases, and an online consultation for people to take part in
- Conducting a survey for local people to indicate what is important to them

What is important to you

We based our first round of consultation on the feedback from the communities around the site. A survey proposed various ideas based on the feedback from discussions with community councils, local experts and other local people within the region. The survey was organised into three key themes and we asked respondents to rank the ideas in order of personal importance (see below).

We also showed how some of these themes might come to life with a masterplan of the area surrounding the site (updated and shown on pages 14-15). The feedback from the consultation events and the survey gave us a direct steer in terms of what was important to consider for the design of the site itself and the community benefit proposal.

Nature-Positive

Tackling the loss of nature and regenerating our communities. A nature positive approach enriches biodiversity, stores carbon, purifies water, and often employs nature-based solutions to achieve this.

IDEA	RANK
Access to the land on the site for nearby communities	1
Community spaces within and/or nearby the site	2
Native tree planting to soften commercial forestry in region	3
Recreation and tourism fund for outdoor activities	4
Heather restoration on and/or nearby the site	5
Peat bog restoration on and/or nearby the site	6
Upland Birch planting on and/or nearby the site	7

Heritage, Place & Community

Understanding, valuing caring and enjoying local heritage. Conservation and enhancement of local environments and helping communities strengthen their sense of place in tandem.

IDEA	RANK
A heritage and land-based jobs and skills fund	1
New footpaths for tourists and locals to use	2
Restoring community spaces and heritage assets	3
Restoring the historic Robertson Drive Road footpaths	4
Local connectivity with better transport	5
Douglas Valley Heritage Improvements: A place to visit	6

Just Energy Transition

The energy transition taking place and the associated changes it will bring. Creates change at a local and community level and shares the benefits of change.

IDEA	RANK
Helping you get affordable renewable energy in your home	1
Improving energy efficiency to reduce bills and carbon footprints	2
Community empowerment: A community-owned organisation to help deliver change	3
Developing new skills for local people in the new economy	4
Supporting local businesses by bringing them into the supply chain for the project	5
Supporting the creation of green jobs and helping local entrepreneurs	6
Regional renewable energy hub to deliver jobs	7

What we learned from our consultation

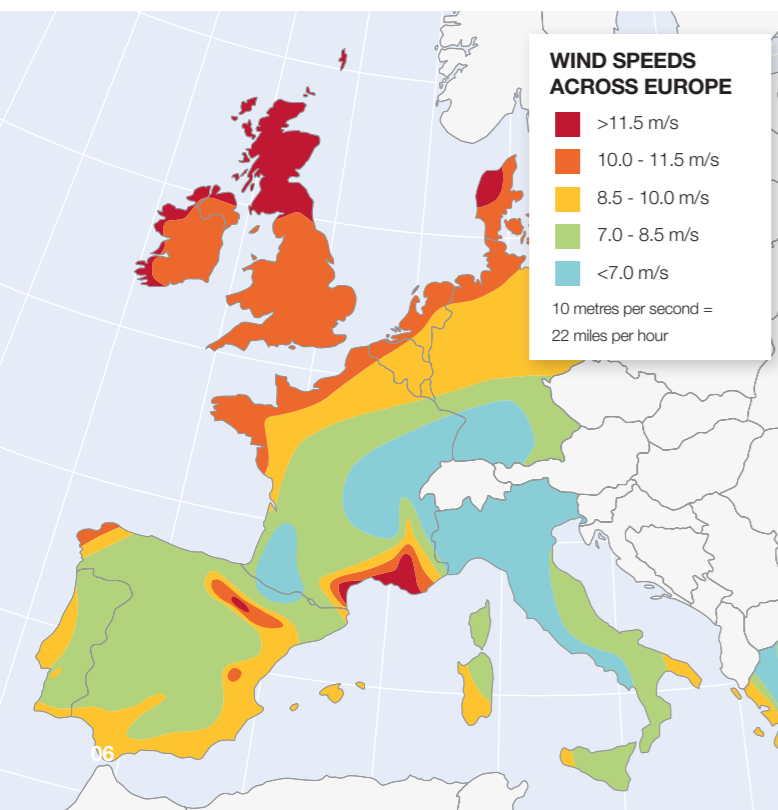
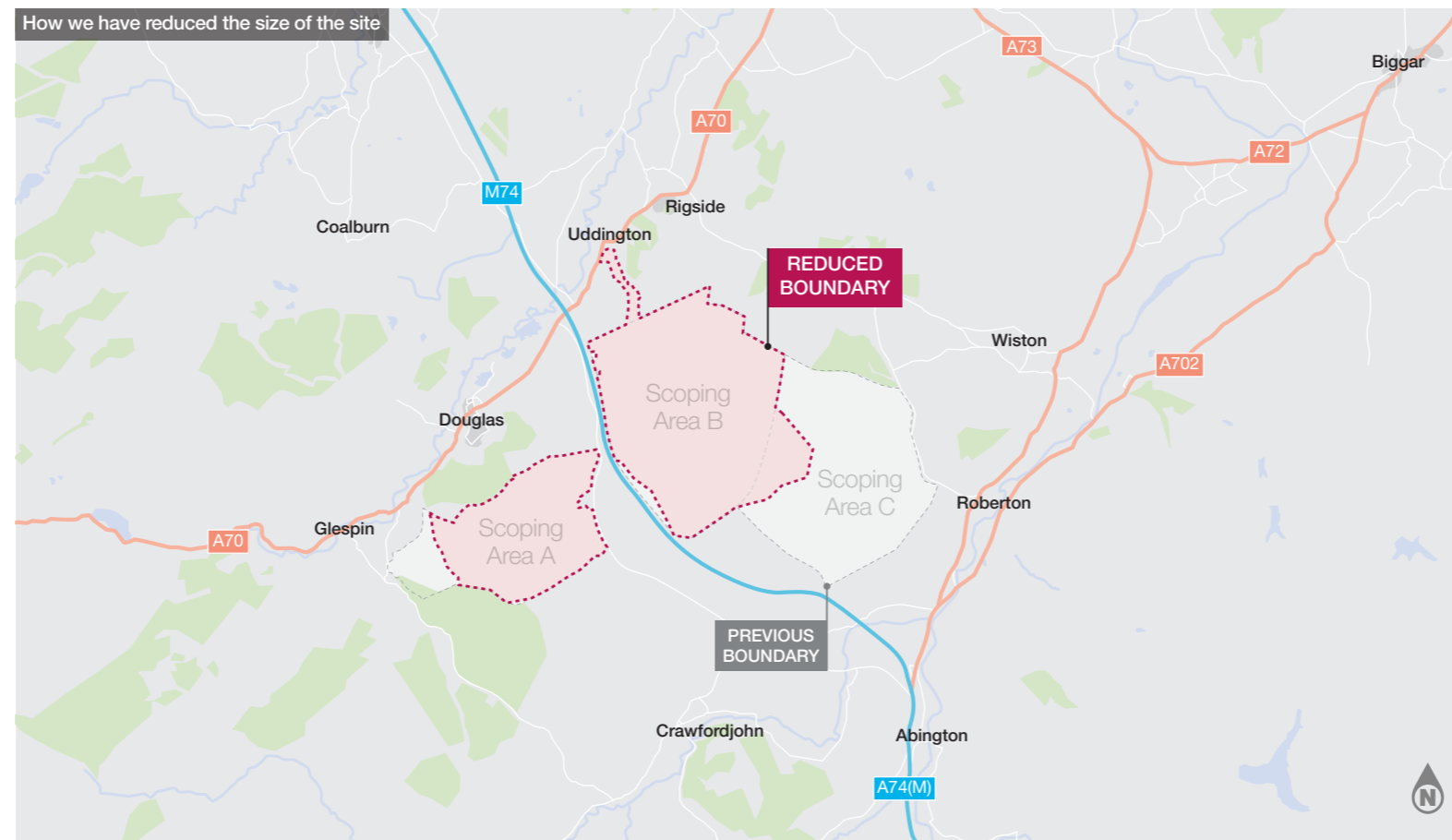
- Feedback on the **original site was it was too large and close to local villages** - so we reduced the size of the site accordingly
- Local communities feel there are lots of community benefit funds and **not enough 'big ideas' or tangible outcomes** that benefit the area as a whole, **especially local people in their homes**
- Communities often **don't have the time or capacity to develop projects** themselves or take advantage of existing community benefit funds
- We need to think about **jobs and skills beyond the supply chain** and construction phase, maximising long term, skilled employment opportunities through the use of the community benefit fund
- The energy transition needs to work for communities and ideally **energy bills should reduce for those near the wind farm**.
- That local communities have a **strong sense of identity** within the area and want to preserve the heritage of the place they call home
- That communities want to **be active in making decisions that affect them**, e.g. how the benefit funds are spent. Communities are **keen on ownership** either as part of the project or to have community land they can use
- **Nature needs to be at the centre** of our approach, and the site should improve biodiversity, carbon capture, and provide access for communities

RESPONDING TO YOUR FEEDBACK:

Design considerations

Why we have chosen this site

- **Excellent wind resource** - Scotland boasts some of the best wind speeds in Europe (see below) and this site is in a great location within the country. Our nearby Middle Muir Wind Farm has delivered a consistently high yield since it became operational.
- **Excellent transport links** - The proximity to the M74 minimises the disruption on local communities for construction as well as enhancing the potential for using the energy generated here for other technologies, such as a battery or hydrogen for vehicles.
- **Available grid connection and nearby infrastructure** - This avoids the need for large amounts of grid infrastructure to stretch across the country to connect to the grid.



Reducing the size of the site

We've listened to feedback from the community and as a result have reduced the size of the site to remove almost a third of what was first planned to the south east of the boundary (see plan above).

This also allows for us to consider different uses for this area of land whilst still maintaining a significant site which will provide thousands of homes with clean electricity to play a large part in Scotland's path to net-zero, tackling climate change for generations to come.

High efficiency turbines

Bodinglee will be able to deploy the latest in high efficiency renewable technology. With modest increases in size, the current technology is able to produce over **7MW per turbine – enough electricity for 5,000 households.**

This allows a smaller site to deliver up to **266MW of clean electricity.** It is our expectation that larger capacity turbines will be available at the time of the construction phase, which would allow for an even higher site capacity and community benefit fund.

Battery storage

We are proposing a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) for the site which will directly support the wind farm's ability to store the electricity it generates at times when production is higher than demand. Our current design includes up to a **106MW battery** which will be located on the site itself.

We are eager to get your views on this part of the project. The battery will:

- Store electricity from the site and the grid when demand is low
- Supply the grid with low cost electricity when demand is high
- Play a key role in helping Scotland deploy renewables by directly addressing the intermittency issue and helping balance the demand & supply of electricity
- Help reduce energy bills over the long term and provide a key part of Scotland's journey to net-zero
- The battery alone will **displace around 20,000 tons of CO₂** from the electricity grid annually, the equivalent of 12,000 cars being taken off the road every year.

Artist's impression of a BESS



PROJECT DETAILS:
Bodinglee

Key stats and layout

LOCATION: South east of Douglas on land both sides of the M74

NUMBER OF TURBINES: Up to 38 turbines

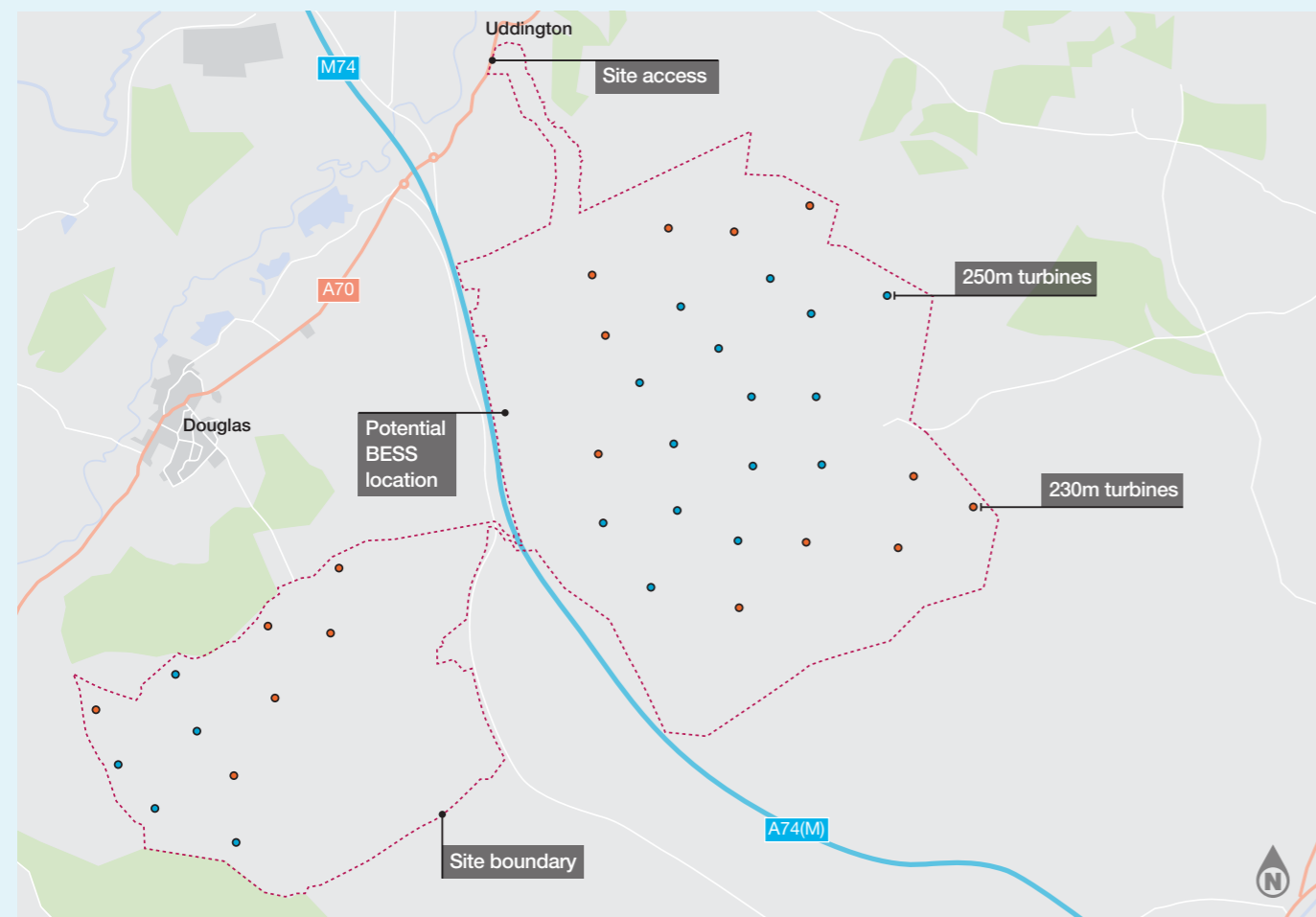
TURBINE HEIGHT: 17 turbines with a maximum tip height of 230m and 21 turbines with a maximum tip height of 250m

POTENTIAL ENERGY GENERATION: Approximately **266MW**, which will provide electricity for approximately **212,928*** homes

POTENTIAL ENERGY STORAGE: Approximately **106MW** of battery storage

LIFESPAN: 40 years in operation

*Based on Ofgem 3100kW per annum household usage and R.UK standard capacity factor



Key benefits

ENVIRONMENTAL



212,928* households provided with green electricity annually

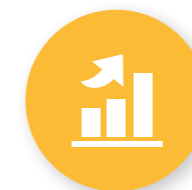


118,000** tonnes of CO₂ saved every year



71,000** petrol cars taken off the road equivalent

ECONOMIC



£465.6M*** regional investment



£164M total*** spend within South Lanarkshire



Creating around 781*** FTE job years regionally (includes 200 through community benefits)

SOCIAL



£53.2M community fund****



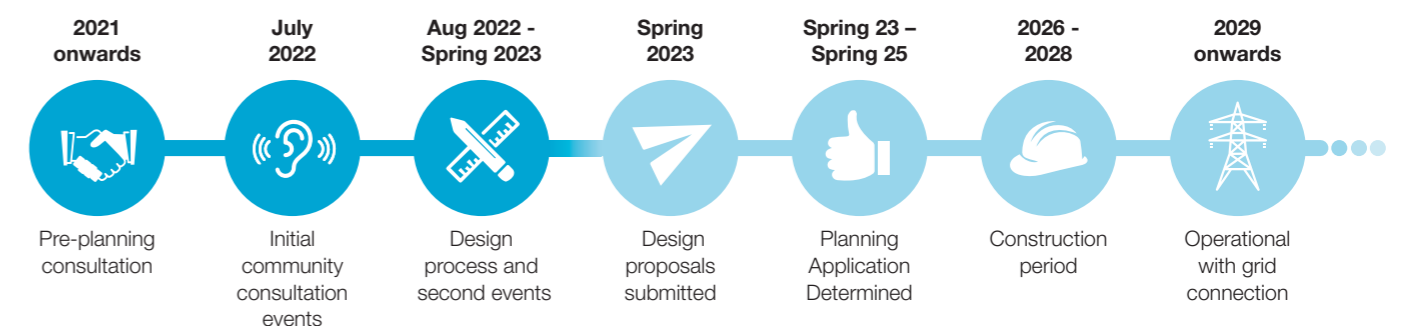
Free 1% project community share offer - with option to buy a further 9%



New community body - to help local people make their homes energy efficient and warmer.

* Based on Ofgem 3100kW per annum household usage and R.UK standard capacity factor
 ** Compared to fossil fuel generation (CO₂ figure uses the UK Government GHG Conversion Factors table produced in 2021)
 *** Bodinglee Wind Farm Economic Impact Report - Biggar Economics
 **** Based on a 40 year life span

Indicative timeline



POSITIVE CHANGE:

Benefiting your community

The Bodinglee project represents a huge opportunity to deliver transformational, positive local change. We anticipate that the community benefit package will be approximately £53 million over 40 years which has the potential to meaningfully improve the lives of local people.

Our ambition is to deliver a community benefits package that goes beyond the traditional model of issuing grants from a central pot. Instead, our goal has been to identify the wider needs of the area, then tackle them together with a blend of targeted programmes, investment and grants. We have been working with local communities and people with an interest in the project to identify these needs as well as the best way of ensuring that local voices are heard.

Combining this with our local commitment for contracting during construction and operation – Connect2Renewables – we believe this project can make a lasting, positive impact

in South Lanarkshire, providing a legacy for generations to come.

As part of this consultation our proposal contains a site with a significant investment in the land and surrounding area, taking a holistic view to propose a range of benefits for the people who live nearby and the environment. We wish to explore an approach to community benefits that breaks new ground for both Banks Renewables and Scotland as a whole, with the ambition to help tackle fuel costs and climate change for households nearby the project.



Supporting Blackwood Estate Community Association preserve and protect ancient woodland




WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP:

Shaping community benefits together

We have been working in partnership with the communities surrounding Bodinglee with the aim of achieving sustainable social, economic and environmental benefits for the local area.

From our initial consultations, we've heard a strong desire to see big ideas that tackle local issues, as well as a need for co-ordinated strategies which benefit the whole of the area surrounding Bodinglee.

A number of core themes have emerged, and we are now at the stage where we are ready to share proposals that have been shaped by the views of the community. We have put all these initiatives into three categories:

-  **Nature-Positive & Environment**
-  **Heritage, Community & Place**
-  **Just Energy Transition**

These themes are discussed in more detail on the following pages.

When we ran the first round of our consultation in Summer 2022, we asked the community to tell us the best ways that Bodinglee could have a positive impact.

As a result of your responses, we plan to deliver the interventions for each theme in the pages that follow.



Crawfordjohn Village Hall was able to install 111 PV solar panels and four Tesla Powerwall batteries - slashing running costs by an estimated 80% - following a major grant from nearby wind farms

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK THEMES:

Nature-Positive & Environment

Tackling the loss of nature, encouraging biodiversity and restoring habitats

WHAT IS IT? Enhancing the resilience of our planet and societies to halt and reverse nature loss. A nature-positive approach enriches biodiversity, tackles climate change, purifies water and often employs nature based solutions to achieve this.

We have all been made aware of the decline in population of important species and habitats around the world and close to home. The wind farm itself will displace hundreds of thousands of tonnes of carbon from the atmosphere each year to help tackle climate change and due to the scale of the development there is an opportunity for the project to bring a net-positive impact to the local area's biodiversity too.

This is an issue that many local people are passionate about. By working together with local people and community councils, we have designed a number of initiatives which will be delivered as part of the Bodinglee project.

Nature-Positive initiatives

Access to the land

We will introduce new footpaths linking the villages of Douglas, Robertson and Rigside. With new signage and interpretation boards focussed on the natural environment on and nearby the site

This will provide:
Access for local communities and an enhanced experience of the natural environment.

Community spaces

We will facilitate the purchase or use of land for nature-based projects such as a community gardens, flower meadows or beekeeping

This will provide:
A space for communities to engage with nature, grow food, learn about the natural environment and come together.

Native tree planting

We will plant native broad-leaved tree species on the edges of commercial forestry plantations

This will provide:
A softer appearance to these plantations in the wider landscape, as well as improving biodiversity and sequestering carbon from the atmosphere.

Heather restoration

We will restore iconic heather landscape on the local moorland on and around our Bodinglee site

This will provide:
A key role enhancing the habitats of local species. This will also benefit the local landscape character and the nearby Special Landscape Areas.

Peat bog restoration

We will restore, enhance and manage natural peat bogs on-site and off-site

This will provide:
A habitat for a range of species as well as storing thousands of tonnes of carbon dioxide, tackling nature-loss and climate change simultaneously.

Upland birch scrub

We will plant upland birch scrub along watercourses on and nearby the Bodinglee site

This will provide:
A boost to a habitat that has been lost from the site, benefiting a number of local species like Black Grouse. This will also benefit the character of the landscape.

Heather restoration will improve landscape character



COMMUNITY FEEDBACK THEMES:

Heritage, Community & Place

Enabling communities to understand, care for and enjoy their local heritage

The remains of Douglas Castle

WHAT IS IT? Heritage, Community and Place means supporting and enabling the understanding, conservation and enhancement of local environments and helping communities to strengthen their sense of place.

Our approach will complement the wider picture of cultural heritage in the region, using local heritage sites and expertise to both conserve and enhance local heritage. Due to the rich history of the region, Bodinglee has a unique opportunity to help strengthen the connection local people have to the place they call home and make some practical improvements to the area.

By working closely with the community and local experts, we have designed a range of initiatives to bring this heritage to the forefront. We will deliver each of these as part of the project, aiming to make this an even more attractive place both for tourists visiting the area and the people that call it home.

Heritage, Community & Place initiatives

Heritage and land-based jobs and skills

We will support local skills and roles in traditional heritage and land-based roles by hiring and contracting locally for restoration and land-based work that is part of the Bodinglee project

This will provide:
New jobs in sustainable roles and traditional areas of expertise specific to the region

Douglas Valley improvements

We will enhance the designed landscape which surrounds the remains of Douglas Castle, working closely with the estate, Historic Environment Scotland and South Lanarkshire Council to improve its value to local heritage and encourage visitors

This will provide:
A strong local asset for residents and a key draw for tourists to visit the area

Restoring community heritage assets

We will restore local historical buildings to bring them back into public use and, where possible, community ownership. Starting by funding a local community pilot project with a focus on energy efficiency

This will provide:
A new lease of life for local historic buildings, new community assets and a boost for local tourism. It will also reduce running costs of buildings

Roberton Drove Roads

We will re-establish parts of the historic Roberton Drove Road within the Site which used to connect Douglas to Robertson, and provide links with other core paths

This will provide:
A new community and public asset, promoting tourism and access to the outdoors

Local connectivity

We will support the delivery of safe, multi-use active travel (e.g. walk, cycle) links between Rigside, Robertson and Douglas, including the creation of new routes through the Bodinglee Site

This will provide:
Safer, easier and more sustainable transport routes between communities

Enhanced access

We will introduce new signage, way-marking and interpretation boards for local heritage assets on new and existing pathways on and around the site.

This will provide:
Enhanced public access, making it easier for locals and tourists to connect with the area's cultural heritage

COMMUNITY & LANDSCAPE MASTERPLAN: Pulling it all together

NOTE: Images are for illustrative purposes only

Douglas Valley Landscape Enhancements

We will enhance the designed landscape which surrounds the remains of Douglas Castle



LINKS TO THE HAGSHAW CLUSTER & COALBURN

Peat Bog Restoration

We will manage and restore areas of peat bog both on and offsite



Upland Birch Scrub

Restoring upland birch scrub which plays an important role in Scotland's eco-systems and will benefit key species like Black Grouse.



Heather Restoration

Heather moorland restored both on and off-site, a key habitat for iconic local species



Native woodlands

We will plant new areas of native woodland along the edges of existing conifer plantations



Enhanced Access & Robertson Drove Roads

We will introduce and upgrade existing paths to provide a network of high quality, multi-user paths



Community Land

We will help local people take control of land to be used for the benefit of the community



Commercial Forestry

We will remove several small plantations of Sitka spruce from the landscape around Robertson





Energy transition workshop held by Banks Renewables



INVESTING IN SOUTH LANARKSHIRE:

Connect2Renewables

Connect2Renewables (C2R) is all about supporting local communities and the local economy from our wind farm activities in South Lanarkshire.

Our local track record

MIDDLE MUIR WIND FARM



Operational contracts awarded locally



Lifetime economic impact in the local area

KYPE MUIR WIND FARM



Development and construction contracts



Lifetime economic impact in the local area

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK THEMES:

Just Energy Transition

The energy transition to Net Zero and the opportunities it will bring

WHAT IS IT? A just transition should create change at a local, community level and share the benefits of change with that community. It should support those most affected as high carbon jobs shift to low carbon ones and help communities reduce their carbon footprint without it being unaffordable. It also helps those who suffer from adverse effects like weather and a rapidly changing economy to adapt to these changes.

Over the last 18 months, members of the local community have shared their views with the project team that some nearby large-scale renewables projects haven't provided appropriate support to local communities on the energy transition.

We know there is an opportunity to tackle the issue at some scale and to develop solutions together with local communities that might be delivered by the Bodinglee project following the feedback we received from our first round of consultation events. We have taken the feedback and suggestions we have heard to bring to life how the project could help so that we can understand which of them the community support most.

As a result of this feedback, we have looked at what **Connect2Renewables** should mean for this project and how we might be bolder in the way we help local people directly with the project. This has involved ensuring we are better at securing more investment locally and also re-thinking how a package of community benefits should work.



CASE STUDY:





Drumclog Plant

As a result of our Connect2Renewables initiative, Drumclog Plant (based in Strathaven) was able to benefit from significant new investment in the local area, providing specialist construction services during the construction phase of the Kype Muir project.

"Most of our work is from outside South Lanarkshire, so a big local project would result in more money staying in the region, resulting in our local suppliers benefiting along with local amenities and services."

Ewan Turner
DRUMCLOG PLANT

THE FOUR KEY GOALS OF C2R ARE:

-  To maximise the benefits available from each of our wind farms for local people and for the local economy
-  To create new employment, training and/or education opportunities for local people
-  To directly support local businesses by encouraging them to join the Banks Renewables supply chain
-  To support the establishment and work of local community advisory panels for individual projects, whose role will be to identify and advise on the development of projects and their community benefits

WHAT WILL BODINGLEE DELIVER THROUGH ITS SUPPLY CHAIN?

Based on our supply chain commitments in C2R, our economic impact report estimates that Bodinglee will deliver:

- A total project investment of £718M
- £465.6M in the local region (60km)
- £164M in South Lanarkshire
- 590 job years created regionally - with an additional 100 in the rest of the UK

WHAT DOES A JUST ENERGY TRANSITION MEAN FOR BODINGLEE?

Re-thinking community benefit

The biggest topic discussed by your community was about understanding the opportunity to help local households directly

We have worked with experts at Natural Power to devise a series of route-maps to directly help the 6,500 households near the Bodinglee site with household bills while also reducing their carbon footprint.

The reports clearly show that funding energy efficiency measures - ranging from insulation to new heat sources (like heat pumps and solar panels) - will give more back to community members through energy bill savings than the community benefit payments themselves. The average annual benefit payment from Bodinglee will be around £1.33M and the reports shows more than one scenario

where energy bill savings could be double this amount annually.

These measures could also stop tens of thousands of tonnes of CO₂ entering the atmosphere every year, helping local people to tackle climate change as well as save money.

Not only could this provide long term household bill savings and reduce household carbon footprints, but it could also provide opportunities for skills development and provide additional jobs in the local area.



Loft insulation helps keep homes warmer and reduce energy bills

What are we proposing?

Warmer homes, lower energy bills, less CO₂

We propose that a new community body is created whose purpose will be to help local people have affordable, clean energy and a warmer home.

It will provide a service to local residents to assess the energy efficiency of their house, organise installers and fund measures to help them achieve improvements.

Once assessments have been carried out, the community body will bridge the gap between government funding and pay for improvements to homes on behalf of residents with the funds generated by the wind farm.

Funded by the wind farm, run by the community

We will work with local communities to establish an organisation with a panel which can agree how the body will invest the benefit funds to deliver to these goals.

Our current proposed name for this organisation is the Clydesdale Community Energy Transition Co. (CCETCo). Further consultation with your community may result in another name being chosen.

We propose that the organisation will be funded by the community benefit payments from Bodinglee Wind Farm (around £53 million). We acknowledge that establishing this body requires a commitment from "you" to make this a reality, but could create wide benefits for the community.

In addition, we will gift a 1% share of the wind farm to the community body and offer a further 9% at market value. If the community does not wish to take up the ownership offer, then an enhanced benefit payment offer (above the £5,000 per MW) will be made to help fund the organisation to ensure its success.

Creating Clydesdale Community Energy Transition Co.

A community-owned and governed organisation, supported by experts



PLEASE NOTE: The governance structure shown is illustrative and may change following consultation with the community and other stakeholders

How will the community have their say?

The organisation will be able to set its own agenda to achieve its purpose with the community agreeing on how the community benefit funds can be invested. It will also be able to react to other needs defined by the community - if they see fit - such as direct payment to bills if the circumstances warrant. It may also act as a panel to advise on grants.

We will help set-up the organisation and enable it to hire its first development manager. Funds will be made available for this from the community benefit fund and to deliver further pilot projects prior to commissioning.

The governance structure will place the local community as decision makers, with support from professional positions funded by the community benefit. With advisory positions for South Lanarkshire Council, local councillors, Banks Renewables, local businesses and experts in the area such as the Energy Saving Trust and Local Energy Scotland.

Because the organisation will agree on priorities with a panel of local community councils, you will be able to have your say on how it is run. We believe that the ownership offer together with community-led governance will provide a long-term positive impact for the region.



CLYDESDALE COMMUNITY ENERGY TRANSITION CO.

Delivering energy savings and local green jobs

Solar panel installation

What will this deliver for your community?

WARMER, MORE EFFICIENT HOMES: LOWER ENERGY BILLS

The purpose of the CCETco will be to respond to the key issues raised by the community over the last 12 months. The CCETco will make the homes in the community nearby the project warmer and more energy efficient by installing measures based on each household's needs.

These measures will reduce household energy bills once installed and their carbon footprint. We estimate reductions in annual energy costs by £2.5-4.5 Million for these households with over 100,000 tonnes of CO₂ being prevented from entering the atmosphere by reducing

consumption of energy and replacing the energy sources where appropriate.

LOCAL JOBS AND SUCCESSFUL BUSINESSES

The CCETco will help local businesses get the skills they need for the future by using local contractors, employing local people and developing their skills. A core goal will be to help local businesses become leaders in the field of heat and low-carbon buildings.

We expect between 200-400 locally-based Full Time Job years could come from this investment within the region.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY MEASURES COULD INCLUDE:



Heat source upgrades



Floor insulation



Cavity wall insulation



Internal wall insulation



External wall insulation



Loft insulation (including top up)

Key CCETco benefits

TACKLING CLIMATE CHANGE LOCALLY



100,000 tonnes of CO₂ could be displaced by the CCETco's measures

REDUCING LOCAL ENERGY COSTS



Local households energy bills reduced by £2.5 - 4.5M - based on Natural Power report

NEW LOCAL JOBS & SKILLS



200-400 locally-based full time job years - to come from this investment if the CCETco is formed and delivers to the scenarios

EMPOWERING LOCAL COMMUNITIES



Funded by the community benefit pot of up to £53.2M



Free 1% community ownership offer of wind farm - with a further 9% available to buy



Local communities will own and run the organisation

The Douglas Arms Hotel building in Douglas has been identified as a potential choice for the pilot scheme



Proposed pilot project

TEST, LEARN AND BUILD SKILLS

We propose starting with a pilot project funded by the Bodinglee Wind Farm, aimed at a community building to use as a test case to learn about the challenges of improving the historic buildings in the area. The study has identified both a higher-than-average number of older properties with poor heat performance, as well as a high number of households in fuel poverty. £200K has been earmarked for this project if Bodinglee is granted consent.

GREEN COMMUNITY JOBS

The Natural Power report has identified that through local contracting to deploy the measures around 200 full-time job-years can be created locally. This will nearly double the expected jobs created in South Lanarkshire as a result of the development of the wind farm itself. These will be in a sector that is of primary importance – not just now, but for the next few decades – given the demand for the installation of thermal efficiency measures and new heat sources such as heat pumps and solar panels as society moves to net-zero in an affordable way.

Get involved

We look forward to hearing your views and suggestions on our Bodinglee proposal. We encourage you to make an appointment at one of our surgery consultation events. These appointments last 30 minutes and will allow you to have a face-to-face conversation with members of the project team.

We also encourage you to visit our online consultation (scan the QR code below) which will go live on 6th February - 6th March 2023 where you can learn about the proposal in more detail, complete the survey and send us feedback.

Additionally, if you would like the chance to have an in-person conversation on any aspect of the project, please get in touch either by phone or by email, and we'll be happy to arrange a meeting at your convenience.


You can contact us on the details below or visit the online consultation to arrange a meeting.

PLEASE NOTE: Comments made are not representations to the planning authority and if an application is submitted there will be an opportunity to make representations on that application to the planning authority.

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BODINGLEE WIND FARM

Community Survey February 2023



We want you to tell us what you think of the proposals we've put forward for Bodinglee. You can give us your feedback online by scanning the QR code in the top right hand corner or logging on to www.banksgroup.co.uk/bodinglee. You can also return this paper copy by detaching this page and sending it to us using the freepost address overleaf

Do you support renewable energy? Yes No

It should be possible for the local community to own a share of renewable energy projects in their area. (PLEASE RATE AGREEMENT)

Strongly disagree Disagree Neither agree/disagree Agree Strongly agree

Helping local people reduce their energy bills and carbon footprint is a good way to focus wind farm community benefit funds.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neither agree/disagree Agree Strongly agree

Communities in Clydesdale would be supportive of a service for free energy advice and energy efficiency improvements for their home.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neither agree/disagree Agree Strongly agree

The Bodinglee proposal has evolved over time because of feedback from the community.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neither agree/disagree Agree Strongly agree

The nature-positive enhancements proposed in this leaflet would be of benefit to the local environment & community.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neither agree/disagree Agree Strongly agree

The new and upgraded path network proposed in this leaflet would improve access to the land for local communities (walking/running/horse-riding etc.).

Strongly disagree Disagree Neither agree/disagree Agree Strongly agree

Renovating and restoring local historic buildings would increase the likelihood that more people would visit them (both locals and tourists).

Strongly disagree Disagree Neither agree/disagree Agree Strongly agree

The Clydesdale area would benefit from increased visitors and tourist trade. Yes No

The community benefit offer for Bodinglee has taken local needs into account.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neither agree/disagree Agree Strongly agree

This consultation contained all the information I wanted to know.

Strongly disagree Disagree Neither agree/disagree Agree Strongly agree

SIGN-UP - If you have any further comments or would like to sign up for Bodinglee project updates, please let us know by phone, email, visiting us online or by using this box and posting it to us.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

PLEASE NOTE: Any comments you provide in this form are to Banks Renewables only. If a planning application is submitted for this project then there will be an opportunity for you to make a direct representation to the local authority at that time.



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