# **Onshore Wind**



# Hoy Public Meeting.

# 30 April 2018.



- Introduction Alistair Buchan.
- The project Shona Croy.
- Conclusion Councillor Stockan.
- Questions and Answers.

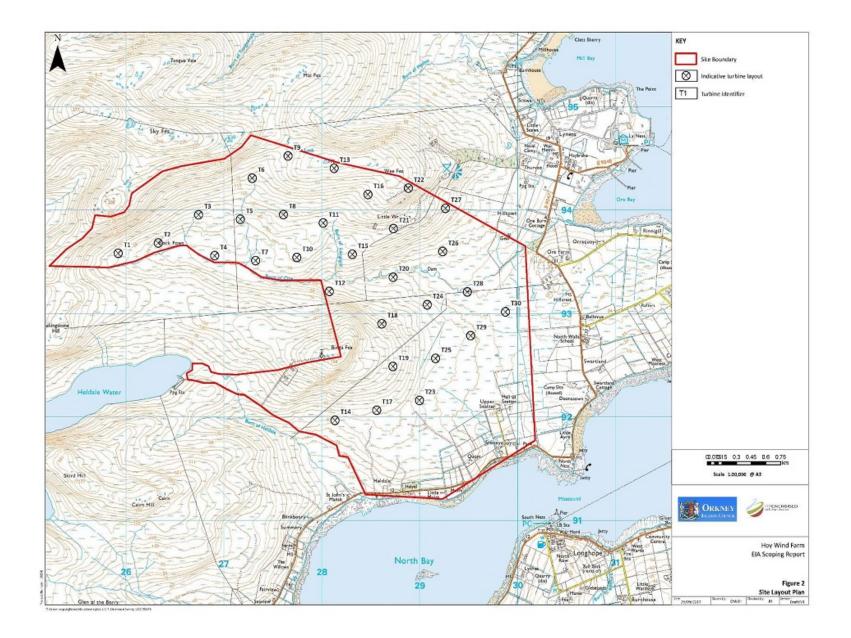
#### Introduction

- 1. Year on year decline in Government funding (likely to continue).
- 2. Cuts of £11 million over past 6 years.
- 3. Further cuts £1.8 million next year.
- 4. Continuing pressure on public services.
- 5. £6m unmet annual service pressures in current year.
- 6. Reserve funds not the solution.
- 7. Future cuts unpalatable to the Community.
- 8. Seeking alternative sources of income to alleviate cuts.
- 9. Sustainability of Islands.
- 10. Commercial activities, e.g. Windfarms but **not** for their own sake.

### The Project

- In 2016, the Council agreed the principle of assuming the role of a project developer of onshore wind farm projects in Orkney.
- Site study of Council owned land.
- Undertake a process to identify land owners in Orkney, with large sites able to accommodate scale wind generation.
- Assess each site and consider options.
- Design and scope preferred site(s).
- Application for grid connection(s).

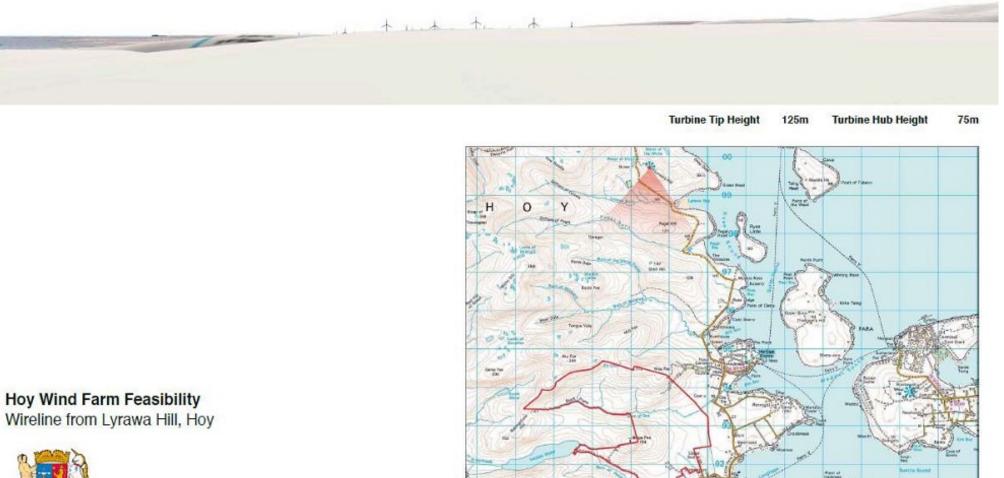
### Hoy Wind Farm draft layout



### **Summary of Site Findings**

- Landscape and visual.
- Ecology and ornithology.
- Watercourses and geology.
- Archaeology and cultural heritage.
- Transport and access.
- Aviation.
- Wind resource.
- Communications.
- Wildland designation.
- 108 MW max. potential capacity.
- Up to 30 turbines.
- 110-125m turbine tip height.

View to Hoy Wind Farm from Lyrawa Hill, Hoy



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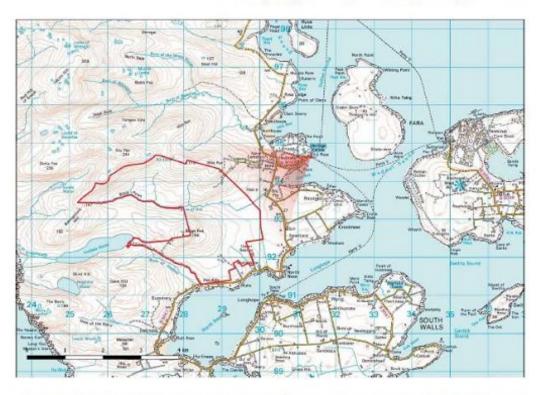
Hoy Wind Farm Feasibility



View to Hoy Wind Farm from Lyness, Hoy



Turbine Tip Height 125m Turbine Hub Height 75m

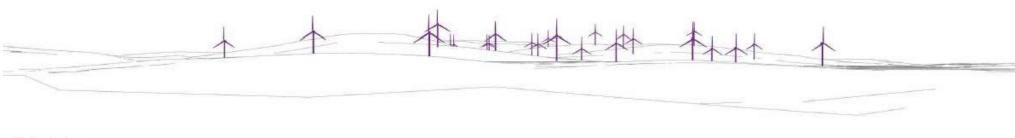


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Hoy Wind Farm Feasibility Wireline from Lyness, Hoy



#### View to Hoy Wind Farm from the pier in Longhope



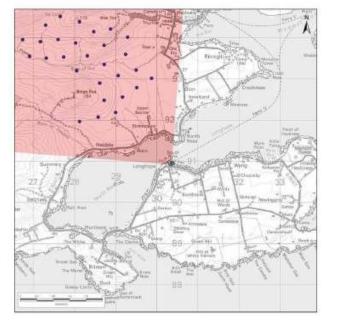
Wireline drawing

Viewpoint Grid Reference	330356, 990947	Direction of View	319.29°	Turbine Top Height	125m
Distance to Nearest Turbine	1,838m	Viewpoint Height	3.05m AOD	Trubine Hub Height	75m

#### Wind Farm Feasibility Studies

Hoy Wind Farm Site - Wireline





#### **Next Steps**

- Commence scoping with Scottish Government.
- Information gathering phase to support application for planning.
- Commence bird studies.
- Planning for met mast(s).
- Ongoing discussions with the local community.
- Continue to press the UK Government for Remote Island wind support.
- Site investigations will take a minimum of 2 years.
- Timescale nothing built before 2022.

## Any questions?