



MachairWind Offshore Windfarm

Pre-Application Consultation (PAC) Appendix 6

Pre-Application Consultation Report

Appendix 6 Advertising



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GLOSSARY OF ACRONYMS

Term	Definition
PAC	Pre-Application Consultation



1 INTRODUCTION

1. This appendix provides an overview of the full range of methods used to publicise the Pre-Application Consultation (PAC) for the Project. It summarises how information about each consultation period was shared with stakeholders and the wider community, including direct email notifications, posters, postcards, social media activity, and newspaper advertisements. These measures ensured that the PAC was widely promoted across the host islands and that all interested parties had accessible opportunities to engage.

2 EMAIL TO STAKEHOLDERS

2. Emails were issued to key stakeholders to inform them of the PAC purpose and event details to encourage their participation in the consultation process.
3. Bespoke emails were sent to Community Councils, community organisations, environmental and heritage organisations, elected members, commercial fisheries organisations and individual fishers, and a wide range of other relevant stakeholders.

2.1 STATUTORY CONSULTATION ROUND ONE

4. Upon the launch of the first round of statutory consultation, stakeholders and communities were notified via email on 27 May 2025 about the launch of the six-week consultation, which was live from 26 May until Sunday 06 July. The emails contained links to the dedicated Public Consultation webpage on the Project website (www.machairwind.com) which hosted the virtual consultation room, feedback form and supporting consultation materials (see **Appendix 8 Pre-Application Consultation Round One Materials**). A digital poster detailing the consultation purpose, events and timeframes was also attached, enabling stakeholders and communities to circulate the information to anyone that may have been interested in participating in the consultation. Examples of these emails can be seen below (**Plate 2.1 - Plate 2.2**).

From: KANE, ELLEN
Sent: 27 May 2025 14:55
To: Elizabeth Morgan; Ellie Owen; @nts.org.uk; @nts.org.uk
Subject: RE: MachairWind Public Consultation
Attachments: MachairWind Public Consultation_All Events.pdf

Good afternoon Liz, Ellie, Harrie and Emily,

I hope you're keeping well.

I just wanted to reach out to let you know that the MachairWind Offshore Windfarm six-week public consultation is live, with one week to go until our first in person event. The consultation will remain open until Sunday 6th July.

This consultation means stakeholders and communities can have their say on the windfarm development area – the area of seabed north-west of Islay and west of Colonsay that will host up to 147 wind turbines and their foundations.

I have attached a digital poster detailing the events, which start next week. I would appreciate it if you would kindly circulate this to anyone you think may be interested in coming along.

Should you be unable to attend our events, we would encourage you to look around our virtual consultation room to find out more about MachairWind, including reading the information booklet, and viewing the interactive photomontage map. You can view the room on your laptop or mobile: [Virtual consultation room](#)

Our website has a dedicated page covering the Public Consultation details (including event dates/times, and ways to provide feedback): [Public Consultation - ScottishPower Renewables](#)

We will of course be happy to meet with you one-to-one, should you wish to discuss anything about this consultation or other matters – please let me know.

Kind regards,
Ellen




 Ellen Kane | Stakeholder Manager | Offshore Development: MachairWind
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Plate 2.1 Statutory Consultation Round One – Example Stakeholder Email (National Trust for Scotland)



From: BRYCE, DEBORAH
Sent: 24 April 2025 15:33
To: DANNIE ONN @btinternet.com
Cc: KANE, ELLEN
Subject: MachairWind - Notification of Pre-application Consultation (PAC)

Good afternoon Dannie and Clare

I hope you are both well and managing to enjoy some of the lovely weather we've been having!

As important stakeholders to [MachairWind Offshore Windfarm](#), I am writing to notify you of MachairWind Limited's intention to submit a marine licence application under the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010 and our upcoming Pre-application Consultation (PAC). The below email summarises the proposed works and licensable marine activities and of our planned consultation. Full details of the events, and how you can share your views, will be issued to you in the coming weeks.

We are preparing a consent application for the Windfarm Development Area (WDA) infrastructure. Separate consent applications will be prepared for the Onshore and Offshore Transmission Development Areas at a later date, once a final grid connection location for the project has been confirmed by the Transmission Network Operator.

The consultation relates to all proposed infrastructure within the MachairWind WDA, with the key infrastructure being wind turbines on fixed foundations and inter-array cables which link the turbines together.

This year the project intends to hold two rounds of public consultation across Islay, Jura, Colonsay, Ross of Mull and Iona alongside online meetings and a virtual consultation room. Each round of consultation will take place over six weeks, involving both in person and online events.

This upcoming consultation, running from 26th May to 6th July, 2025 will provide stakeholders and communities the opportunity to:

- View and comment on visualisations of the WDA from local viewpoints;
- Find out more about the potential impacts and opportunities; and
- Talk to the project team and consultants about the windfarm development area proposals.

During the second round of consultation, due to take place in September/October, we will seek to demonstrate how feedback from the first PAC round has informed the decision-making process.

I will be in touch in the coming weeks to share more information on the upcoming PAC events, and the various ways that you can provide your feedback. I would be grateful if you could kindly support in sharing this information, when received, to your members and anyone else you think may be interested in the MachairWind project, so they have the opportunity to share their views on the project and comment on our windfarm development area proposals.

Kind regards,

Debs



Deborah Bryce | Community Engagement Manager | Offshore Development MachairWind

Plate 2.2 Statutory Consultation Round One – Example Stakeholder Email (Colonsay Community Council and Colonsay Community Development Company)

2.2 STATUTORY CONSULTATION ROUND TWO

5. Prior to the launch of the second round of statutory consultation, stakeholders and communities were notified via email, and issued reminder emails, between 19 September 2025 and 10 October 2025 about the planned consultation, which launched from 20 October 2025 to 30 November 2025. The email contained links to the dedicated Public Consultation webpage on the Project website (www.machairwind.com) which hosted the virtual consultation room, feedback form and supporting consultation materials (**see Appendix 9 Pre-Application Consultation Round Two Materials**). A digital poster detailing the consultation purpose, events and timeframes was also attached, enabling stakeholders and communities to circulate the information to anyone that may have been interested in participating in the consultation. Examples of these emails can be seen below (**Plate 2.3 – Plate 2.4**).

From: KANE, ELLEN
Sent: 08 October 2025 10:28
To: Watkiss, Anna
Subject: MachairWind - Autumn Public Consultation
Attachments: MachairWind Autumn 2025 Public Consultation.jpg

Good morning Anna,

I hope this email finds you well.

As you know, the MachairWind project team are getting ready to return to the islands of Islay, Jura, Colonsay, Ross of Mull and Iona in the coming weeks for our second round of public consultation relating to the [MachairWind Offshore Windfarm](#).

The consultation, which will run from 20th October to 30th November, relates to all proposed infrastructure within the windfarm array (the windfarm development area), with the key infrastructure being fixed foundations and associated infrastructure, comprising inter-array cables between the turbines, up to 2 offshore substation platforms and link cables between the platforms and scour protection (if required). We intend to submit our windfarm development area consent applications to Marine Directorate – Licencing Operations Team (MD-LOT) next year.

Over the last few weeks, posters have been displayed, postcards have landed on doorsteps and adverts have been published in local newspapers. I would really appreciate it if you could kindly support in sharing this information to your colleagues and members, and indeed anyone who may be interested in this project, so they have the opportunity to attend our events, view our materials, and share their views on MachairWind. From 20th October, our [public consultation webpage](#) will be updated so you can browse our virtual consultation room, complete the feedback form, and read our information booklet. We will of course notify you by email once the consultation is live, providing you access to these materials.

Kind regards,
 Ellen



Ellen Kane | Stakeholder Manager | Offshore Development: MachairWind
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Plate 2.3 Statutory Consultation Round Two – Example Stakeholder Email (Argyll and Bute Council)



MachairWind Invitation to Public Consultation Event October 2025 – Round 2

BRYCE, DEBORAH
 To: Hume, Willie

Retention Policy: DPTv2 - 18 Months Permanently Delete (1 year, 6 months) Expires: 23/03/2027

Internal Use

MachairWind October SC2 Events Poster_Mull and Iona_Optimized.pdf
 287 KB

Wed 24/09/2025 17:35

Dear Willie

I hope you are well and had a good summer!

As an important stakeholder to [MachairWind Offshore Windfarm](#), I am writing to notify you of our second round of Pre-application Consultation (PAC) for the windfarm development area (WDA).

MachairWind Offshore Windfarm
 As you know, the proposed windfarm, located northwest of Islay and west of Colonsay, has a generating capacity of around 2 Gigawatts (GW). This consultation relates to all proposed infrastructure within the MachairWind WDA, with the key infrastructure being fixed foundations and associated infrastructure comprising inter-array cables between the turbines, offshore substation platforms and link cables between the platforms (if required).

We intend to submit our WDA consent application to Marine Directorate – Licencing Operations Team next year. Separate consent applications for related electricity transmission infrastructure outside of the WDA (export cables, landfall and onshore works) will be progressed at a later date and do not form part of the current proposals.

Public Consultation – Round 2
 The public consultation will take place over 6 weeks, from **Monday 20th October to Sunday 30th November 2025**. This consultation will provide an update following our first round of public consultation, which took place from 26th May to 6th July 2025.

The second round of consultation will provide stakeholders and communities the opportunity to:

1. View and comment on visualisations of the refined windfarm development area from various viewpoints, including night-time visuals;
2. Find out how feedback from our first round of public consultation has helped inform decision making; and
3. Chat to the project team and ask questions about our proposals.

Please see details below of the second round of public events which will be carried out across our 5 host communities on Islay, Jura, Colonsay, Ross or Mull and Iona, we hope you are able to attend.

- Tuesday 21st October, from 10.30am to 2pm, Port Mor, Port Charlotte, Islay
- Tuesday 21st October, from 4pm to 7.30pm, Ramsay Hall, Port Ellen, Islay
- Wednesday 22nd October, from 3pm to 7pm, Jura Village Hall, Jura
- Thursday 23rd October, from 3pm to 7pm, Colonsay Village Hall, Colonsay
- Tuesday 28th October, from 4pm to 7.30pm, Iona Village Hall, Iona
- Wednesday 29th October, from 3pm to 7pm, Bunessan Hall, Mull

- There will also be two webinars using Microsoft Teams:
 - Thursday 6th November at 6.30pm to 7.30pm
 - Tuesday 18th November at 6.30pm to 7.30pm

To register for one of the webinars and receive joining instructions, please email: machairwind@scottishpower.com

If you have any questions in relation to these events or the project itself, please let us know and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

I have also attached digital posters for you to share if needed. Printed posters will also be displayed in the venues, GP surgeries and community notice boards where possible and information booklets, feedback forms and freepost envelopes will be available to collect from the 20th October at Mull Service Point, MICT office, SWMID office, Bunessan hall and Iona village hall for anyone who is unable to attend the events above.

Other useful project links for your information:
[public consultation](#)
[document library](#)

Kind regards
 Debs



Plate 2.4 Statutory Consultation Round Two – Example Stakeholder Email (Cllr Willie Hume)

3 POSTER

6. For each Statutory Consultation, the Applicant produced and distributed posters across the Islay, Jura, Colonsay, Ross of Mull and Iona to raise awareness of the upcoming consultation events (Plate 3.1). These posters were placed in prominent community locations, including Service Points, village halls, ferry terminals, local shops, and other frequently visited public spaces. The posters summarised the in-person and webinar event dates, times and locations, in addition to the Project contact details, ensuring residents across the islands were informed of opportunities to participate in the PAC.





Plate 3.1 Bowmore hospital, Islay notice board

3.1 STATUTORY CONSULTATION ROUND ONE

7. This section includes the posters distributed for the first round of Statutory Consultation. A full list of Poster locations are provided in **Table 3.1**. These posters were displayed during consultation period (**Plate 3.2**).

Table 3.1 Poster locations – Statutory Consultation Round One

Location
Islay
CalMac offices, Islay
Islay Hospital, Islay, notice board
Gaelic Centre, Bowmore, Islay
SID office, Port Ellen
Jura
Jura Community notice board
Jura Service Point
Jura Surgery
Colonsay
Colonsay Service Point
Colonsay Village Hall notice board
Ross of Mull
Mull and Iona Community Trust office
Creich Hall, Fionnphort
South West Mull and Iona Development office
Mull Service Point
Iona
Iona Village Hall
Iona Village notice board





MachairWind Offshore Windfarm

Public Consultation

ScottishPower Renewables is in the process of developing an offshore windfarm off the northwest of Islay and west of Colonsay, with a generating capacity of around 2 Gigawatts – enough clean, green energy to power up to 2 million homes across the UK.

The MachairWind Team are hosting their first round of **Public Consultation**, a key part of the planning application process.

This consultation will be running over a six-week period from Monday 26th May until Sunday 6th July. These events will be held across Islay, Jura, Colonsay, Ross of Mull and Iona.

Your opinions are being sought on the windfarm development area proposals, and you will have the opportunity to:

- View and comment on visualisations of the windfarm development area from local viewpoints;
- Find out more about the potential impacts and opportunities; and
- Chat to the project team and consultants about our proposals.

Unable to attend our public consultation events?

Don't worry, there are other ways to have your say:

 Register for one of our online consultation events

**Tues 10th June 6:30pm-7:30pm; or
Mon 23rd June 6:30pm-7:30pm**

 View our virtual consultation room

 Complete our Feedback Form

 Email machairwind@scottishpower.com

Public Consultation Events

Tue 3rd June, 3pm – 7:30pm
Port Mor, Port Charlotte, Islay

Wed 4th June, 3pm – 7:30pm
Colonsay Village Hall, Colonsay

Wed 11th June, 3pm – 7:30pm
Gaelic College, Bowmore, Islay

Thu 12th June, 3pm – 7:30pm
Jura Village Hall, Craighouse, Jura

Tue 17th June, 3pm – 7:30pm
Creich Hall, Fionnphort, Mull

Wed 18th June, 3pm – 7:30pm
Iona Village Hall, Iona



Find out more by
visiting our website:

www.machairwind.co.uk

3.2 STATUTORY CONSULTATION ROUND TWO

8. This section includes the posters produced and distributed for the second round of Statutory Consultation. A full list of Poster locations are provided in **Table 3.2**. These posters were displayed in advance of and during the consultation period (**Plate 3.3**).

Table 3.2 Poster locations – Statutory Consultation Round Two

Location
Islay
CalMac offices, Islay
MacTaggart Leisure Centre, Islay, notice board
Port Mor
Port Charlotte surgery
SID office, Port Ellen
Jura
Jura Community notice board
Jura Service Point
Jura Surgery
Colonsay
Colonsay Service Point
Colonsay Village Hall notice board
Ross of Mull
Bunessan Hall
Mull and Iona Community Trust office
South West Mull and Iona Development office
Mull Service Point
Iona
Iona Village Hall
Iona Village notice board





MachairWind Offshore Windfarm

Public Consultation - Round Two

MachairWind is a proposed offshore windfarm being developed by ScottishPower Renewables, located northwest of Islay and west of Colonsay, with a generating capacity of around 2 Gigawatts.

The MachairWind Team are hosting their second round of Public Consultation, a key part of the planning application process.

This consultation will be running over a six-week period from Monday 20th October to Sunday 30th November. These drop-in events will be held across Islay, Jura, Colonsay, Ross of Mull and Iona.

Your opinions are being sought on the windfarm development area proposals, and you will have the opportunity to:

- View and comment on visualisations of the refined windfarm development area from local viewpoints, including night-time visuals;
- Find out how your feedback from our first round of consultation (May - July 2025), has informed decision-making; and
- Chat to the project team about our proposals.

Unable to attend our public consultation events?

Don't worry, there are other ways to have your say:

 Register for our online webinars on Microsoft Teams

Thu 6th Nov at 6:30pm-7:30pm; or
Tue 18th Nov at 6:30pm-7:30pm

 View our virtual consultation room

 Complete our feedback form

 Email machairwind@scottishpower.com for details.

Public Consultation Events

Tue 21st October, 10.30am-2pm
Port Mor, Port Charlotte, **Islay**

Tue 21st October, 4pm – 7:30pm
Ramsay Hall, Port Ellen, **Islay**

Wed 22nd October, 3pm– 7pm
Jura Village Hall, **Jura**

Thu 23rd October, 3pm – 7pm
Colonsay Village Hall, **Colonsay**

Tue 28th October, 4pm – 7.30pm
Iona Village Hall, **Iona**

Wed 29th October, 3pm – 7pm
Bunessan Village Hall, **Mull**



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4 POSTCARDS

9. In advance of both Statutory Consultation periods, the Applicant delivered postcards via Royal Mail to homes and businesses on the islands of Islay, Jura, Colonsay, Ross of Mull and Iona. The postcards provided recipients with details of the consultation dates, event venues, project contact details, and ways to participate in the consultations.
10. This direct approach enabled the Project to reach address potential engagement barriers, such as expanding the outreach to those unable to leave their place of residence for health or other reasons. The postcards formed a core part of the Project's approach to inclusive engagement.

4.1 STATUTORY CONSULTATION ROUND ONE

11. Prior to launch of the first period of Statutory Consultation, from 07 May 2025, A5 postcards were posted to houses and businesses; in total, 3,450 postcards were delivered. The postcard is shown below (**Plate 4.1**).





MachairWind Offshore Windfarm Public Consultation

ScottishPower Renewables is in the process of developing an offshore windfarm off the northwest of Islay and west of Colonsay, with a generating capacity of around 2 Gigawatts – enough clean, green energy to power up to 2 million homes across the UK.

MachairWind – Tuath-gaoithe Farraise Co-chomhairle Phoblaich

Tha ScottishPower Renewables an-dràsta ag obair air leasachadh tuath-gaoithe farraise far thuath Ìle agus an iar air Colbhasa, le comas ginealach suas gu 2 GigaWatt – gu leòr de lùth glan, uaine airson suas ri 2 mhillean dachaigh a sholarachadh air feadh na RA.

We are hosting our first round of Public Consultation, a key part of the planning application process.

This consultation will run from Monday 26th May until Sunday 6th July. These events will be held across Islay, Jura, Colonsay, Ross of Mull and Iona. Details of our second consultation period will be publicised later in 2025, this in part will show how your feedback has shaped the development of the project.

Tha Sgioba MachairWind a' cumail a' chiad chuairt de Cho-chomhairle Phoblaich, pàirt chudromach den phròiseas tagraidh dealbhaidh.

Bidh an co-chomhairle seo a' ruith thairis air sia sè seachdainean gu Didòmhnaich 6mh An t-Iuchar. Thèid na tachartasan seo a chumail air feadh Ìle, Diùra, Colbhasa, Ros Mhuile agus Eilean Ì. Thèid fiosrachadh mu an dàrna chuairt co-chomhairle fhoillseachadh nas fhaide air adhart ann an 2025; nochdaidh pàirt dhen sin mar a thug ur beachdan buaidh air leasachadh a' phròiseict.

Virtual Consultation Room

Unable to attend the in-person consultation events? Don't worry, we have set up a virtual consultation room, which will be live on our website when the consultation launches (26th May). All materials displayed at the in-person consultation events will be available to view in the virtual consultation room.

Feedback Form

From 26th May, you can either pick up a form at your local Service Point and Trust offices or complete the form online from our website. Alternatively, you can collect a form at one of our events.

Get in Touch

machairwind@scottishpower.com

Find out more by visiting our website at www.machairwind.co.uk or by scanning the QR code.



Stick this
on your
fridge!

Have your say

(Thoiribh Ur Beachd Seachad)

Public Consultation Events

Date	Time	Location
Tue 3rd June	3pm-7:30pm	Port Mor, Port Charlotte, Islay
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Wed 18th June	3pm-7:30pm	Iona Village Hall, Iona

Online Consultation Events

Come along to one of our online webinar events to find out about the project and ask the team questions about MachairWind:

- **Tue 10th June at 6:30pm to 7:30pm; or**
- **Mon 23rd June at 6:30pm to 7:30pm**

To register your interest, and receive joining instructions, please email : machairwind@scottishpower.com

Please note any comments made to the prospective applicant during this pre-application consultation are not representations to the Scottish Ministers or any other consenting body. If the prospective applicant, MachairWind Ltd, proceeds in submitting an application for a marine license, there will be an opportunity for formal representations to be made to the Scottish Ministers via Marine Directorate - Licensing Operations Team (MD-LOT) upon application submission.

4.2 STATUTORY CONSULTATION ROUND TWO

12. Prior to launch of the second period of Statutory Consultation, from 26 September 2025, postcards were posted to houses and businesses; in total, 3,415 postcards were delivered. The postcard is shown below (**Plate 4.2**).





Public Consultation

Round Two
20th October - 30th November 2025

Co-chomhairle Phoblach

Cuairt a Dhà
20mh An Dàmhair – 30mh An t-Samhain

MachairWind Offshore Windfarm

MachairWind is a proposed offshore windfarm, being developed by ScottishPower Renewables, located northwest of Islay and west of Colonsay, with a generating capacity of around 2 Gigawatts. We will be visiting our host community islands in October to continue our consultation. Please see overleaf for details of the events and how you can have your say.

MachairWind – Tuath-gaoithe Far-oirthir

'S e tuath-gaoithe far-oirthir a th' ann am MachairWind, fo leasachadh le ScottishPower Renewables, suidhichte tuath-thiar air Ìle agus iar air Colbhasa, le comas gineadh mu 2 GigaWatt. Bidh sinn a' tadhal air na h-eileanan coimhearsnachd aoi gheachd againn san Dàmhair gus ar co-chomhairle a leantainn. Thoiribh sùil air taobh eile na duilleige airson mion-fhiosrachadh mu na tachartasan agus mar as urrainn dhuibh ur beachd a thoirt seachad.

We are hosting our second round of Public Consultation, a key part of the planning application process.

The consultation will run from Monday 20th October until Sunday 30th November. These drop-in events will be held across Islay, Jura, Colonsay, Ross of Mull and Iona and will demonstrate how your feedback from our first round (May – July 2025), has helped inform decision-making and will show how the project has evolved.

Tha sinn a' cumail an dàrna cuairte de Cho-chomhairle Phoblach, pàirt chudromach dhen phròiseas tagraidh dealbhaidh.

Bidh a' cho-chomhairle a' ruith bho Diluain 20mh An Dàmhair gu Didòmhnaich 30mh An t-Samhain. Thèid na tachartasan buail -a-steach seo a chumail air feadh Ìle, Diùra, Colbhasa, Ros Mhuile agus I Chaluim Chille, agus seallaidh iad mar a chuidich ur beachdan bhon chiad chuairt (An Cèitean – An t-Iuchar 2025) le co-dhùnaidhean agus mar a tha am pròiseact air a thighinn air adhart.

Virtual Consultation Room

Unable to attend the in-person consultation events? Don't worry, we have set up a virtual consultation room, which will be live on our website when the consultation launches (20th October).

Feedback Form

From 20th October, you can either pick up a form at your local Service Point and Trust offices or complete the form online from our website. Alternatively, you can collect a form and pre-paid envelope at one of our events.

Get in Touch

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Have Your Say (Thoiribh Ur Beachd Seachad)

Public Consultation Drop-in Events

Date	Time	Location
Tue 21st Oct	10.30am -2pm	Port Mor, Port Charlotte, Islay
Tue 21st Oct	4pm-7.30pm	Ramsay Hall, Port Ellen, Islay
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Dates
for your
diary

5 SOCIAL MEDIA

13. Before and during both rounds of consultation, community groups posted information on their own social media channels about the consultations, including event dates, locations, and how to participate. By reaching out to local groups who already had well-established online followings, the Applicant ensured that key updates reached residents through trusted, community-led platforms, complementing other engagement methods and supporting broad and inclusive awareness of the opportunities to participate in the consultations.

5.1 STATUTORY CONSULTATION ROUND ONE

14. Examples of the social media posts showcasing the first round of statutory consultation are below (Plate 5.1 - Plate 5.4).



Plate 5.1 Facebook Notice – Isle of Jura Community Group – 9 June 2025

Plate 5.2 Facebook Reminder – Isle of Jura Community Group – 2 June 2025




The Islay Noticeboard
 · 2 Jun 2025 ·

This is the first round of our Statutory Consultation, different from our previous drop-ins, we will have printed photomontages of various viewpoints for you to see and comment on, information booklet on the MachairWind Offshore Windfarm for you to take away... See more




MachairWind Offshore Windfarm
 Public Consultation - Events Notification

ScottishPower Renewables is in the process of developing an offshore windfarm off the northwest of Islay and west of Colonsay, with a generating capacity of around 2 Gigawatts – enough clean, green energy to power around 2 million homes across the UK as well as delivering significant investment and opportunities.

The MachairWind Team are hosting their first round of Public Consultation, a key part of the planning application process. Events will be carried out across Islay and Jura on the dates below, please come along and have your say.

Tue 3rd June, 3pm – 7:30pm Port Mor, Port Charlotte, Islay	Wed 11th June, 3pm – 7:30pm Gaelic College, Bowmore, Islay	Thu 12th June, 3pm – 7:30pm Jura Village Hall, Craighouse, Jura
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To register for one of our online consultation events, visit our virtual consultation room or to find out more about our consultation please visit www.machairwind.co.uk

Plate 5.3 Facebook Feedback Reminder – The Islay Noticeboard – 02 June 2025


Colonsay Community Noticeboard
 Rising contributor · Colonsay Hall · 6 May 2025 ·

Wednesday 4th June, 3pm - 7.30pm
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- Find out more about the potential impacts and opportunities; and

Public Consultation Event
 Wed 4th June, 3pm - 7.30pm
 Colonsay Village Hall, Scalasaig.

Plate 5.4 Facebook Poster – Colonsay Community Notice Board – 06 May 2025



5.2 STATUTORY CONSULTATION ROUND TWO

15. Examples of the social media posts showcasing the second round of statutory consultation are below (Plate 5.5 - Plate 5.8).



Plate 5.5 Facebook Poster – Colonsay Community Notice Board – 26 September 2025

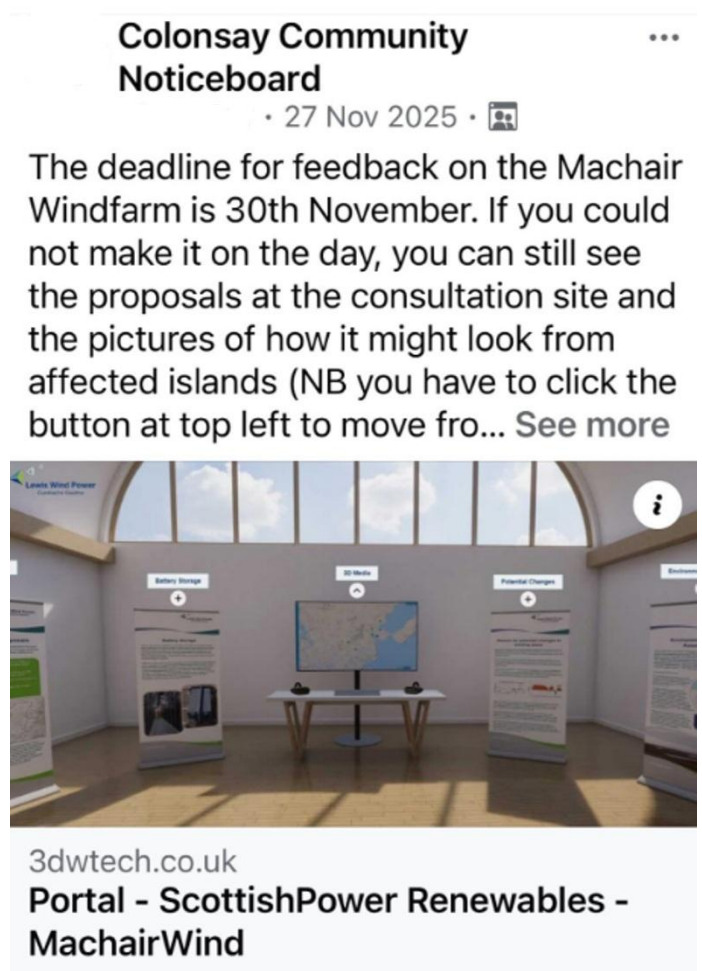


Plate 5.6 Facebook Reminder – Islay Notice Board – 27 November 2025



The Islay Noticeboard

• 19 Oct 2025



Evening Islay, this Tuesday, 21st October, the MachairWind team will be returning to host two events on Islay as part of their second round of consultation to show how your feedback from the first round of consultation (May-July 2025) has helped inform decision-... See more



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This consultation is a key part of the planning application process - please come along, meet the team, and have your say.

Tue 21st Oct, 10.30am - 2pm Port Mòr, Port Charlotte, Islay	Tue 21st Oct, 4pm - 7.30pm Ramsay Hall, Port Ellen, Islay	Wed 22nd Oct, 3pm - 7pm Jura Village Hall, Craighouse, Jura
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Plate 5.7 Facebook Feedback Reminder – Colonsay Community Noticeboard – 19 October 2025

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<https://www.scottishpowerrenewables.com/offshore/machairwind>

SWMID is aware that this is an important topic for the community and want to ensure that we are being representative of the broad views from across the community.

Please feed into the survey below so we can ensure the community opinion is represented,

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=cTYqEiCepEeLsy2j9dMQqFGPF1EnezTLrgqWUlgcaIBUOEIYRTdQRIVMQVo3VEpIUk5CMVdHVDIBSS4u>



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Like
 Comment
 Share

Plate 5.8 Facebook Feedback Reminder – South West Mull and Iona Development – October 2025



6 NEWSPAPER ADVERTS

16. This section presents the adverts placed in local newspapers in relation to both consultation periods. Placing adverts in local newspapers supported awareness of the Project to those living, working and visiting Islay, Jura, Colonsay, Ross of Mull and Iona, ensuring that members of public were reminded of the opportunities to participate in the consultations. The adverts formed part of a wider programme of promotional activity, going beyond statutory requirements, to maximise engagement with the Project and support inclusive consultation.
17. The advertisements provided clear and accessible information on the purpose of the consultations, the in-person and webinar event dates, times and locations, and the ways in which members of the public could engage with the consultation and the Project team.

6.1 STATUTORY CONSULTATION ROUND ONE

18. For the first round of consultation, local newspaper adverts were placed in Round & About Mull & Iona, The Ileach and Jura Jottings. These advertisements were published at various points throughout May to raise awareness of the upcoming consultation events and encourage community participation. The following pages provide the advertisements as they appeared, with captions describing the publication and date of issue where identifiable (**Plate 6.1 - Plate 6.3**).



Round & About • May 2025




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Join our virtual consultation room from 26th May via our website: www.machairwind.co.uk



Public Consultation Events

Tues 17th June, 3pm – 7.30pm
Creich Hall, Fionnphort, Mull

Wed 18th June, 3pm – 7.30pm
Iona Village Hall, Iona

While any comments made to the project are appreciated during the pre-application consultation an offer of representation to the Scottish Ministers or any other consenting body is not an offer of representation. MachairWind Ltd subsequently issues an application for a marine licence, there will be a subsequent opportunity for formal representations to be made to the Scottish Ministers. Contact: Learning Operations Team 01433 700000 (application submission).

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Mull & Iona

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Plate 6.1 Round and About Newspaper Advert May 2025



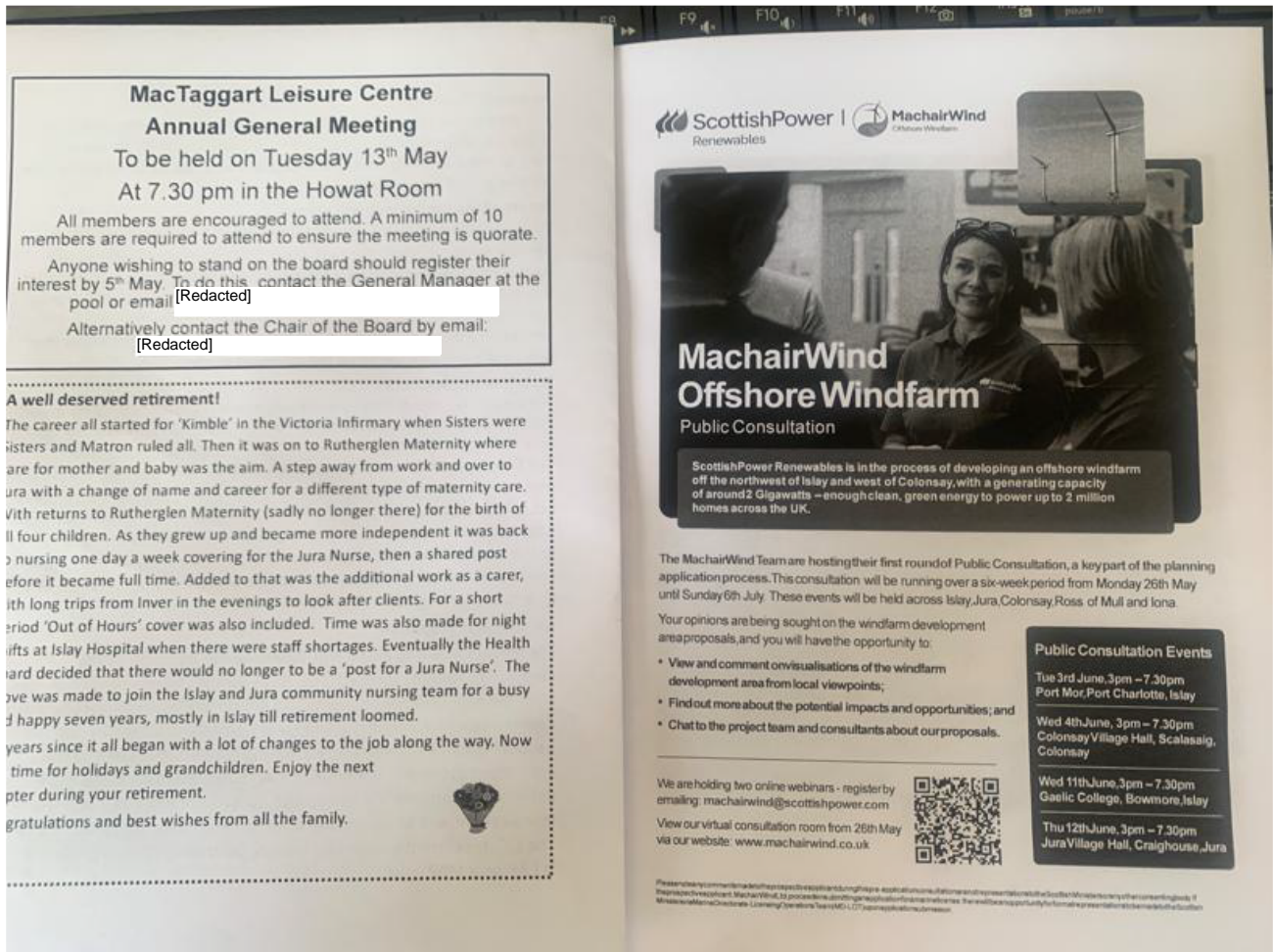


Plate 6.2 Jura Jottings Newspaper Advert May 2025



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Colonsay Village Hall, Scalasaig, Colonsay

Wed 11th June, 3pm – 7.30pm
Gaelic College, Bowmore, Islay

Thu 12th June, 3pm – 7.30pm
Jura Village Hall, Craighouse, Jura

Please note any comments made to the prospective applicant during the pre-application consultation are not representations to the Scottish Ministers or any other consenting body. If the prospective applicant, MachairWind Ltd, proceeds in submitting an application for a marine licence, there will be an opportunity for formal representations to be made to the Scottish Ministers via Marine Directorate – Licensing Operations Team (MD-LOT) upon application submission.

Plate 6.3 Ileach Newspaper Advert May 2025

6.2 STATUTORY CONSULTATION ROUND TWO

19. For the second round of consultation, local newspaper adverts were placed in Round & About Mull & Iona, The Ileach and Jura Jottings. These advertisements were published at various points throughout September and October to raise awareness of the upcoming consultation events and encourage community participation. The following pages provide the advertisements as they appeared, with captions describing the publication and date of issue where identifiable (**Plate 6.4 - Plate 6.6**).



JURA JOTTINGS

No. 396 October 2025 Free to permanent residents £1.50



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 - Thu 6th Nov at 6:30pm-7:30pm, or
 - Tue 18th Nov at 6:30pm-7:30pm
-  View our virtual consultation room
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Drop-in

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10:30am-2pm
Port Mor, Port Charlotte, Islay

Tuesday 21st October
4pm - 7:30pm
Ramsay Hall, Port Ellen, Islay

Wednesday 22nd October
3pm - 7pm
Jura Village Hall, Jura






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Plate 6.4 Jura Jottings Newspaper Advert October 2025



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Ramsay Hall, Port Elen, Islay

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Plate 6.5 Ileach Newspaper Advert September 2025





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Public Consultation Drop-in Events

Tuesday 28th October
4pm – 7.30pm
Iona Village Hall, Iona

Wednesday 29th October
3pm – 7pm
Bunessan Village Hall, Mull

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Plate 6.6 Round and About Newspaper October 2025

