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Whitelaw Brae Windfarm
Commencement of Construction

Dear Mr Parker

I am writing with an update on Whitelaw Brae Windfarm and to provide details on the site works which are due to commence in November. Since obtaining consent in 2017 we have been working towards delivering the project and I am now pleased to say that we are planning to start work on the 14th of November 2022. The works will be undertaken in a number of stages as outlined below with the early works package comprising creation of the site entrance from the A701. Following a structural assessment of the bridge over the River Tweed I can confirm that a new bridge over the Tweed, as originally anticipated, is no longer required and the existing bridge will be used for all construction traffic.

It is our intention to provide the Community Council with regular updates as construction progresses and we will write to you before each stage of works to ensure the community is kept informed of the construction programme. Information will also be available on our project website at - <https://www.baywa-re.co.uk/en/wind/whitelaw-brae/>



Stage 1: Initial Access Works (November 2022 – February 2023)

The initial works will be undertaken to form the site access off the A701 and will comprise approximately 70 m of track to join the existing Tweed Bridge. The work will take place over a four month period and there will be short periods when temporary traffic management will be required comprising traffic lights and temporary speed restrictions. Scottish Borders Council will be notified of the proposed traffic management and we will also publish these on our website.

In the event of any complaint or incidents the site manager's details are provided below:

Ashleigh Walton
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0131 460 1925
Mobile: 07496 268409

Stage 2: Forestry Felling and Extraction (expected early 2023)

The felling of around 60 ha of trees is expected to commence in the early part of 2023 and take around five months. Timber will be transported from the site south to Moffat along the A701 and will not be passing through Tweedsmuir. Further details on the timing of the works will be sent to the Community Council and posted on our website when confirmed.

Stage 3: Main Civils Work (expected 2023 - 2024)

The main civils work will involve the construction of windfarm tracks, excavation of turbine bases and construction of the site substation and will take approximately 12- 18 months.

Stage 4: Turbine delivery and erection (expected 2024)

Turbine delivery will take place in consultation with Dumfries and Galloway Council Roads, Scottish Borders Council Roads, Transport Scotland and Scottish Police. Turbines will be delivered to the site along the A701 from the south and will not pass through Tweedsmuir.

Scottish Power Electricity Networks Grid Connection

Scottish Power is wholly responsible for the grid connection works and this is expected to commence mid 2023.

Now that construction is starting, I would welcome the opportunity to meet with you to discuss the proposed community benefit fund and will be in touch directly to agree the best approach to this.

I would be grateful if you could provide this update to the community and direct them to our website. Due to the rules around data protection we are not sending letters out to individuals, however if anyone wishes to contact me directly they can do so by email or phone at: jillian.adams@baywa-re.co.uk or 0141 468 0585.

Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any other questions or need any further information.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jillian Adams".

Jillian Adams
Senior Development Manager

On behalf of Whitelaw Brae Windfarm Limited