



# Community Ownership and Benefits

## Community Benefit Fund

The proposed wind farm would make an annual contribution of £5,000 for every megawatt of installed capacity during the period of operation to a local community benefit fund.

Based on an installed capacity of approximately 30MW, this would provide an estimated annual community benefit fund of up to £150,000. Assuming a typical operational lifetime of up to 30 years, this would translate into an estimated total community benefit fund of up to £4.5 million to be invested in local priorities and projects over that period.

Based on feedback from the local communities, the community benefits package offered would be tailored with a view to contributing tangible benefits

## Community Shared Ownership

The proposed wind farm project would look to explore potential models for part community share ownership.

This would provide an opportunity for the communities around the site to acquire a direct stake in the proposed wind farm.

Further information regarding community ownership is available at: [www.localenergy.scot](http://www.localenergy.scot)

## Near Neighbour Energy Contribution Scheme

In order to understand the concerns and aspirations of communities with regards to future wind farm development in Stirling Council area, Wind2 and EDPR have actively sought feedback from the local communities in which they are developing wind farms.

A common desire that has been identified for future wind farm installations is to decrease the energy costs for those living in close proximity to the projects.

As part of the community benefit, a ‘near neighbour electricity contribution scheme’ is under consideration for residents living near to the proposed wind farm. The catchment area and details of the contribution scheme are still to be determined, however two of the options potentially available are:

- Option 1: Electricity Bill Contribution Scheme; and
- Option 2: Home Energy Efficiency Grant.

Option 1 could see residents that live within proximity of the proposed wind farm, receive a contribution towards their annual home electricity bill. If this option is selected the qualifying properties would receive this payment annually in arrears based on actual energy bills.

Option 2 could see residents within the same catchment area, capitalise the electricity bill contribution, converting this to a single lump sum to fund or part fund measures to improve the energy efficiency and decarbonisation of their home. The cost of these measures would be reimbursed upon presentation of receipts, covering all eligible works submitted in a single claim.

Please let us know what you think about these ideas. We are keen to ensure that the local communities derive the maximum benefit from the proposed community benefit fund. We therefore invite you to give us your feedback on potential local priorities and projects where you would like to see the fund invested.

***If you can, please take a few minutes to fill out a feedback form or contact us at [www.drumarnockwindfarm.co.uk](http://www.drumarnockwindfarm.co.uk) after the exhibition.***



## Next Steps

This event is one element of a comprehensive programme of public consultation being undertaken by Wind2 and EDPR to provide information and collect comments and feedback about draft proposals for the proposed wind farm.

Your comments will help improve the quality of our planning submission and inform related proposals for a community benefit fund and potential community ownership models.

We have created a dedicated project website at [www.drummarnockwindfarm.co.uk](http://www.drummarnockwindfarm.co.uk) which will be regularly updated with the latest information about our proposals and the public consultation process.

We anticipate submitting a planning application to Stirling Council in summer 2023.

To give members of the local community sufficient time to give us their thoughts and feedback, we have set a deadline of 16th May 2023 to send us feedback.

If you can, please take a few minutes while you are here to fill out a feedback form. If there's any aspect of the proposed development you'd like to discuss in more detail, please also take the opportunity to speak to a member of the project team.

Please note that comments made to Wind2 are not representations made to Stirling Council. There will be the opportunity to make direct representations to Stirling Council's Planning Services when the planning application is submitted.

You can also complete the feedback form online at <https://drummarnockwindfarm.co.uk/feedback> or write to us or send us your completed feedback form via the following address:

*Wind 2 Limited,  
2 Walker Street,  
Edinburgh,  
EH3 7LB.*

**Thank you for your interest in our proposals and for your feedback.**



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## Appendix 09

### Exhibition Feedback Forms

## Drummarnock Wind Farm - Feedback Form

Thank you for attending the Public Exhibition and viewing our proposals for the Drummarnock Wind Farm.

It is very important to us that local communities have the opportunity to provide feedback to help inform design, construction and operation of the proposed wind farm.

To record your views, and also help us improve future Public Information events, we would be grateful if you would answer the following:

### 1. Which do you consider yourself to be?

(Please tick as appropriate and provide additional detail if desired)

	A local resident – (living within approx1. 10km/6 miles of the proposed wind farm site - please indicate below which community you live within).
	A local business owner – (operating within approx1. 10km/6 miles of the proposed wind farm site - please indicate below which community your business is located within).
	A community council member – (please indicate below which community council you are a member of).
	A local council representative – (please expand in the box below).
	Other – (Please specify below).

Please expand on your choice(s) here:

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### 2. How satisfied are you with the information provided about Drummarnock Wind Farm?

(Please tick as appropriate and provide additional detail if desired)

	Very satisfied
	Quite satisfied
	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
	Quite dissatisfied
	Very dissatisfied

Please expand on your choice(s) here:

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**3. Which of the following best describes your view of the proposals for Drummarnock Wind Farm?**

(Please tick as appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly supportive
<input type="checkbox"/>	Somewhat supportive
<input type="checkbox"/>	Undecided
<input type="checkbox"/>	Somewhat opposed
<input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly opposed

**4. If you selected “somewhat opposed” or “strongly opposed”, please indicate which of the following concerns you have about the proposed Drummarnock Wind Farm.**

(Please tick all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Landscape and visual impact
<input type="checkbox"/>	Impact on tourism
<input type="checkbox"/>	Noise
<input type="checkbox"/>	Impact on wildlife
<input type="checkbox"/>	Impact on habitats
<input type="checkbox"/>	Impact on the land
<input type="checkbox"/>	Impact on road infrastructure
<input type="checkbox"/>	Impact on Cultural Heritage
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Please specify):

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5. If you selected “somewhat supportive” or “strongly supportive”, please indicate what you would see as being the main benefits of the proposed Drummarnock Wind Farm.  
(Please tick all that apply)

	Production of renewable energy
	Visual appeal
	CO2 savings
	Reduced reliance on imported energy
	Community benefit fund
	Potential for community ownership
	Roll out of a cost of energy discount scheme to local residents
	Local energy generation and use
	Creation of local employment
	Other (Please specify):

6. If proposals for Drummarnock Wind Farm are approved, Wind2 and EDPR are committed to providing a community benefit fund equivalent of up to £5,000 per megawatt of installed capacity per year. We would welcome suggestions from the local community about local priorities and projects that could benefit from this fund. Please provide your thoughts on where the investment of the community benefit fund should be focused:

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7. As part of the community benefit fund, Wind2 and EDPR are proposing a 'near neighbour electricity contribution scheme' for residents living in proximity to the proposed Drummarnock Wind Farm. This could offer residents within the catchment area the opportunity to receive a contribution towards their annual electricity bills during the lifetime of the wind farm or convert this into a single lump sum payment to fund or part fund measures to improve the energy efficiency and decarbonisation of their home. Which of the following best describes your view of the proposed 'near neighbour electricity contribution scheme'?

(Please tick as appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly supportive
<input type="checkbox"/>	Somewhat supportive
<input type="checkbox"/>	Undecided
<input type="checkbox"/>	Somewhat opposed
<input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly opposed

Please expand on your choice(s) here:

**Thank you for taking the time to complete this form.**

If you would like to be kept informed about further progress of the Drummarnock Wind Farm proposal, please provide your contact details here.

Name:



Address:

Post Code:

Email Address:

Phone Number:



## Appendix 10

### Public Exhibition Photographs











## Appendix 11

### 3D Model Screenshots



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