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Dear Sirs,

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 (AS AMENDED) (The Act)
THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (SCOTLAND)
REGULATIONS 2013 (AS AMENDED) (The Regulations)
DECISION NOTICE - PROPOSAL OF APPLICATION NOTICE

APPLICATION REFERENCE:	25/00131/PAN
TYPE OF APPLICATION:	Proposal of Application Notice (PAN)
LOCATION OF DEVELOPMENT:	Multiple Locations on the Isle of Lewis (A Landfall location on the north west coast of Lewis near Barvas, a site location on or near the Arnish Moor, land to the west of Stornoway and corridor across the Baravas Moor between these two locations as detailed on Plan Ref: 004-001-060, Dated 2024 -04-11 and titled Onshore Transmission Works PAN boundary
PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:	Spiorad na Mara Offshore Wind Farm – onshore transmission infrastructure comprising electricity cables, transition joint bays, onshore electricity substations, and associated infrastructure including ancillary equipment, temporary construction compounds, landscaping, drainage, parking/servicing areas, cycle/multi-use pathway, peatland management, access tracks and road alterations
PAN NOTICE RECEIVED:	16 April 2025

Comhairle nan Eilean Siar, as Planning Authority (the Comhairle), in exercise of its power under The Act, hereby **APPROVE** the proposed consultation as detailed in the above referenced Proposal of Application Notice and covering letter. It is noted that this PAN replaces the existing PAN Reference 24/00327/PAN) (the Original PAN).

While public consultation was carried out under the Original PAN, the public consultation events proposed under this replacement PAN, to be held between the 2 June 2025 and 5 June 2025 would comprise the 'first public event' for the updated PAN Boundary. It is noted that the PAN Boundary has been updated to refine the landfall option and to encompass additional land near Arnish identified as potentially suitable for peat management and restoration purposes.

The Public Notice, as per the submitted draft, must be published within the statutory timescales (at least 7 days prior to the first public event(s)).

It is noted that a second phase of public consultation in relation to the updated PAN Boundary will be carried out in late July/early August 2025 in advance of the application submission and that the dates of these second events will be confirmed closer to the time.

The second public event, the date of which must also be published in a newspaper, must be held at least 14 days after the first public event. Subject to compliance with publicity requirements, public events scheduled in July/August 2025 would satisfy the 14 day separation requirements for a 'second public event(s)'.

[The Regulations](#) effective from 1 October 2022 are explained in [Planning Circular 3/2022 \(Pages 8 -18\)](#).

As a minimum, a developer **requires to host AT LEAST TWO PUBLIC EVENTS, the first of which cannot be held any earlier than seven days after advertising the event in a local newspaper, and the second public event, the date of which must also be published in a newspaper, must be held at least 14 days after the first public event.** At the second public event, the prospective developer must provide feedback to members of the public in respect of comments received by them at the first event and in any other fora, as regards the proposed development.

There is a need to convey to communities attending the first events, that the pre-application consultation events are an opportunity for the developer to receive early views on their proposal ahead of submission of any planning application, that the plans presented to them may alter in some way before the final proposal is submitted as a planning application, that a second consultation event(s) is required to provide feedback and that any formal representations that persons or a community of interest wish to make in respect of a future planning application, must be made direct to the Planning Authority at the time of publicity of the relevant planning application.

If you have a general enquiry regarding this letter, please contact me on the telephone number or email address above.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M Ferguson', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Morag Ferguson
Planning Manager
(Development Management)