



Statkraft

Mossy Hill Wind Farm

Community Liaison Group (CLG) Meeting – Tuesday 5 May 2026

Isleburgh Centre – Room 9 - 1900

Present:

Doug Wilson (DW) - Smithy House Associates

John Thouless (JT) – Statkraft

Tracey Leslie (TL) – Statkraft

Andrew Blackadder (AB) – Scalloway Community Council

Graham Nicolson (GN) – Lerwick Community Council

Scott Nicolson (SN) – Lerwick Community Council

Birgit Wagner (BW) – Tingwall, Whiteness and Weisdale Community Council

Martin Randall (MR) - Tingwall, Whiteness and Weisdale Community Council

Apologies:

None received

Welcome

DW opened the meeting and welcomed all those in attendance. DW then ran through the apologies and agenda.

Agenda

- 1. Present & Apologies**
- 2. Group introductions**
- 3. Purpose of the CLG**
- 4. Project update/timings**
- 5. Community benefit fund**
- 6. Community ownership**
- 7. Construction communications**
- 8. Future meetings**
- 9. AOB**

A good discussion took place around all the agenda points with some notes/comments and action points listed below.

Notes

- DW thanked everyone for attending the first Mossy Hill CLG meeting and ran through the agenda for the meeting followed by a group introduction. There were no apologies received for the meeting.
- DW updated the group on the purpose of the CLG. An open forum to discuss progress and milestones on the Mossy Hill project, support two-way communication between Statkraft and the Community Councils and the wider community, updates on progress of the project. GN, as the Community Council we would invite you to present at our regular meetings. JT, we would be willing to support this at specific times/milestones of the project. AB, have you considered any other bodies to be part of the CLG? DW, if there are other groups that you thought could add to the group then please do suggest them. MR, how will proceedings be transparent? DW, a note of the meeting will be drafted for approval and issued to the group and once agreed uploaded to the project website.
- JT updated the group on the progress/timings of the project. We have appointed a Construction Project Manager who would be available to attend some future meetings. In addition, there will be a local Statkraft site manager. Start on the substation site clearance being planned for July 2026, with handover of a level site with access to SSEN required in Jan 2027 to allow them to construct their substation. Mossy Hill project energised planned for summer 2029. We received confirmation on the reduced turbine numbers, from 12 to 8 turbines, remaining at 145m to tip height, approved through a non-material variation. AB, what implication does this have for the capacity of the wind farm? JT, a reduction in the capacity from the removal of the four highly visible turbines along the A970 to Scalloway. A brief discussion on access to the site, DW to share planning document with access details. JT, we are working through the Scottish Land Court process for the wind farm. JT updated on the grid connection and GB wide grid reform to manage projects in the grid queue. BW, what effect will the result of the grid reform have? JT, it should have no impact on the project but we are awaiting further confirmation. MR, where will you connect to the grid? JT, there is capacity in the current cable for Mossy Hill and we should not be constrained. BW/MR, seeing turbines not turning does cause offence. JT, noted further network developments on the Scottish mainland which should alleviate any constrained operations in Shetland around the time Mossy is commissioned. AB, how does this link to CFD? JT, we can also look at commercial PPAs to sell the energy. SN, can local companies apply to be contractors? JT, we have had local companies apply as sub-contractors. BW, has there been a final decision on progressing with the project? JT, final decision expected in June.
- JT talked through the Community Benefit Fund (CBF), £5K per MW index linked to CPI from March 2024. The CBF will be based on 36 – 39.2MW, depending on final turbine choice, so looking at a minimum of circa £190K. Plans for the office and information area will not proceed, following Statkraft's decision in 2025 to seek investors for its hydrogen projects. The improved amenities across the site will go ahead with information boards and access tracks through the site for walking and cycling. TL, we are working with SIC Outdoor Access Team on this. AB, will the CBF amounts be uplifted? JT, the amount will remain at £5K but index linked from March 2024. A general discussion took place around the CBF, the administration of the fund, the distribution area. It was agreed that the CC's would discuss this and come back with suggestions at the next meeting.
- JT acknowledged the Community Shared Ownership (CSO) discussions with Scalloway Development Trust. There are different structures and vehicles to take this forward and there is an internal review ongoing within Statkraft at the moment. Any offer for CSO would normally be agreed around/after the financial close of the project, with any community 'investment' coming in once the project reaches commercial operation.
- DW opened a discussion on the construction communications. Some previous issues included speeding lorries, damage to roads and unsecure loads on lorries were mentioned. There are various options including local press, website updates, signage on local roads, social media, SIC, local radio and email updates to CC's. All these options can be considered.

Action points

- DW to send planning doc of access details
- CC's to discuss administrator options for the CBF and feedback at next meeting
- DW to send invitation for next meeting

Next Meeting

After a brief discussion it was agreed that the next meeting would take place on Wednesday 1 July at 1900, this meeting would be an online Zoom meeting.

Meeting closed at 2015