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For the attention of Kirstin Keyes

**ECU00003283 - APPLICATION FOR SECTION 36 CONSENT AND DIRECTION FOR DEEMED PLANNING PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 57(2) OF THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997**

This covering letter along with the supporting documents listed below, comprise an application made under section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 (as amended), made by RWE Renewables UK Onshore Wind Limited (the Applicant), for:

- 1) A section 36 consent for a new wind farm generating in excess of 50MW (The 'Proposed Development'); and
- 2) A Direction under section 57(2) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 (the "1997 Act") that deemed planning permission be granted.

**Site Location and Boundary**

The Development Site is located mainly in Dumfries and Galloway with a small proportion of it being located in East Ayrshire between Carsphairn (located approximately 11km to the south west) and Sanquhar (located approximately 12.3km to the north east). The National Grid Reference (NGR) for the Site centre is E266000 N601400.

The location and Site boundary for the Proposed Development is shown on Figure 1.1 of the EIA Report (copy enclosed as Appendix 1).

**The Proposed Development**

The Applicant is seeking consent for:

- Up to 15 wind turbines
- Development connecting infrastructure elements;
- Access from B729 and C class road (Lorg road);
- Hard standing areas e.g. crane pads and storage areas;



- Borrow pit (s) (to be located within the borrow pit search areas);
- Two 'permanent' anemometer mast of up to 100m to monitor weather conditions;
- Temporary works i.e. two construction compounds and gatehouse; and
- On-site electrical infrastructure including a wind farm control building and a Scottish Power Energy Networks (SPEN) 132/33kV substation A and a SPEN 33kV substation B and underground cabling between these buildings and the turbines.

### **The Application Documents**

One full set of the Environmental Impact Assessment Report in PDF format to support the application has been uploaded to the Energy Consents Unit (ECU) WebPortal. Consisting of:

- Volume 1 EIA Report Main Text;
- Volume 2 Illustrative Figures;
- Volume 3 Technical Appendices;
- Volume 4 NTS;
- Planning Statement; and
- Pre-application consultation report.

This has been uploaded to The Energy Consents Web Portal (ECU Reference: ECU00003283). The Applicant has also uploaded copies of these documents to their website at: <https://uk-ireland.rwe.com/project-proposals/lorg>.

### **Carbon Calculator**

It should be noted that version v1.6.1 of the online calculator has been used. As the parameters can be changed by third parties, the reference number has not been published in the EIA Report or this letter, but it will be emailed to you separately. Please can this number be communicated to the relevant consultees when consultation emails and letters are issued.

### **Adverts, Publication & Consultation**

At the time of submission the Applicant shall arrange for the advertisement of the notice of the application and accompanying EIA Report in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 14 of the Electricity Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2017, as amended.

A copy of the newspaper advertisement which you have previously approved to be placed is attached.

The Applicant will provide copies of these notices to the Energy Consents Unit once advertised.

The Applicant will ensure that hard copies of the application and EIA Report will be made available for public viewing at Carsphairn Shop & Tearoom, Hillview Leisure Centre, Dalmellington Community Centre and New Cumnock Town Hall at the addresses below, during the dates specified in the public notices.



Carsphairn Shop & Tearoom Carrick House, Carsphairn, Dumfries and Galloway, DG7 3TQ	Dalmellington Community Centre 33 Ayr Rd, Dalmellington, KA6 7SJ
Hillview Leisure Centre, Kirkland Drive, Kelloholm, Kirkconnel, DG4 6ST	New Cumnock Town Hall The Castle New Cumnock Cumnock Ayrshire KA18 4AH

Prior to the advertisement of the above notices, and in accordance with Regulations 6 and 7 of the Electricity (Applications for Consent) Regulations 1990, as amended, and Regulation 14 of the Electricity Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2017, as amended, it is understood that the ECU on behalf of Applicant shall serve copies of the relevant documentation via weblinks to their on the relevant consultees, namely:

- Dumfries and Galloway Council;
- East Ayrshire Council;
- Historic Environment Scotland;
- NatureScot; and
- SEPA.

It is understood that the Energy Consents Unit shall also send web links to the remaining statutory and non-statutory consultees including the relevant community councils.

The Applicant has served notice of the application on the owner and occupiers of the land to which the application relates.

### **Planning Fees**

We understand that the fee for an application under Section 36 of the Electricity Act to construct, extend or operate a generating station which is EIA development (exceeding 50MW but not exceeding 100MW) is £125,000. The application fee has been paid by the Applicant under the reference ECU00003283.

The registered office of The Applicant is Greenwood House, Westwood Way, Coventry, CV4 8PB and WSP E&IS Limited are the lead EIA consultant for the Proposed Development.

On the basis of the information provided in this application and in the supporting documents (including the Environmental Impact Assessment Report) the Applicant requests that the Scottish Ministers grant the application for section 36 consent subject to such other directions or conditions as the Scottish Ministers may see fit.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to give me a call.



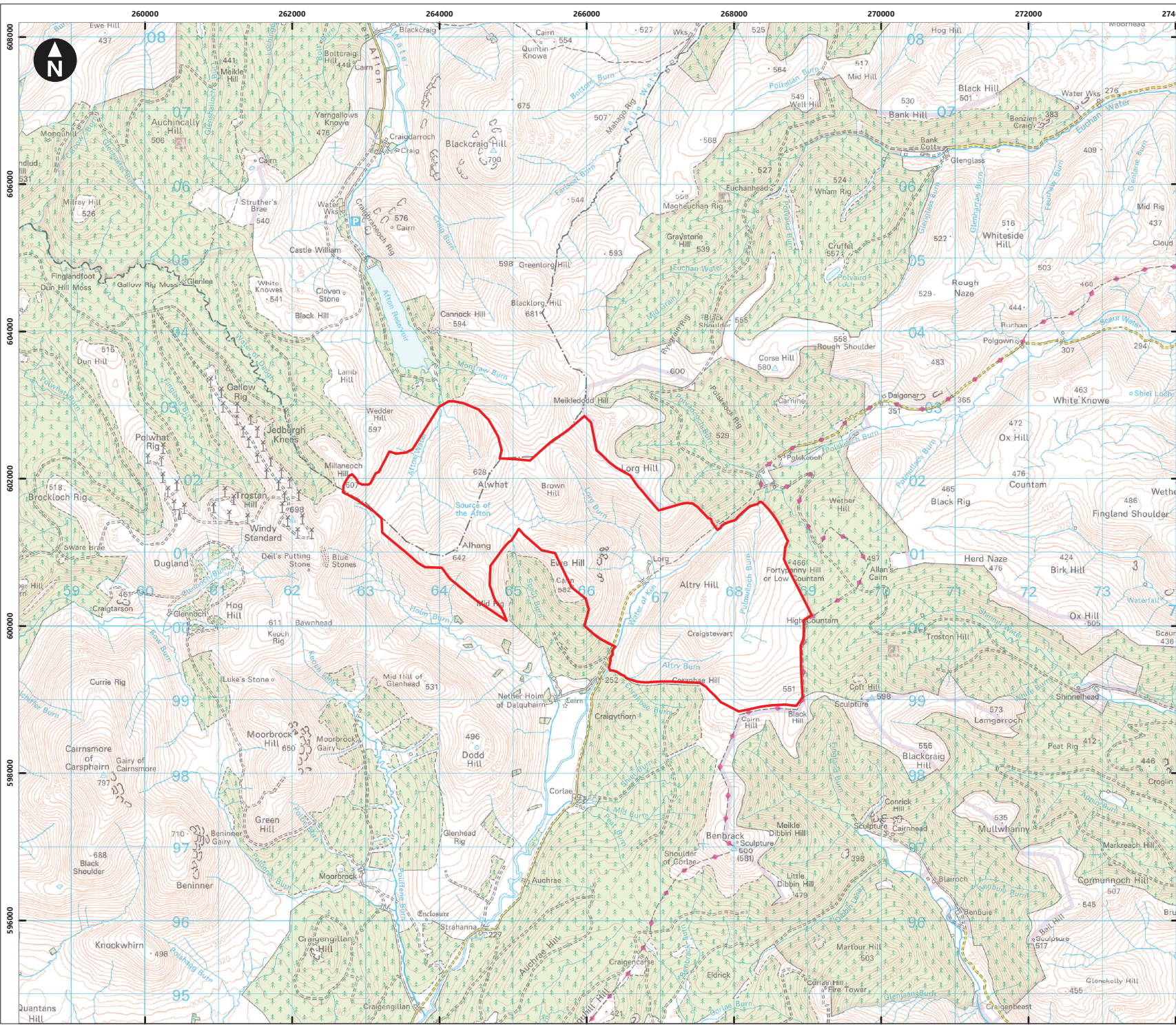
Yours sincerely

**Lauren Hope**

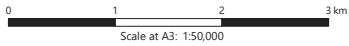
Principal Consultant

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- Appendix 1 - Figure 1.1 of the EIA Report showing location and site boundary
- Appendix 2 - Figure 3.1 a-c Site Layout Figure of the EIA Report
- Appendix 3 - Advert for newspaper publication.



 Site boundary



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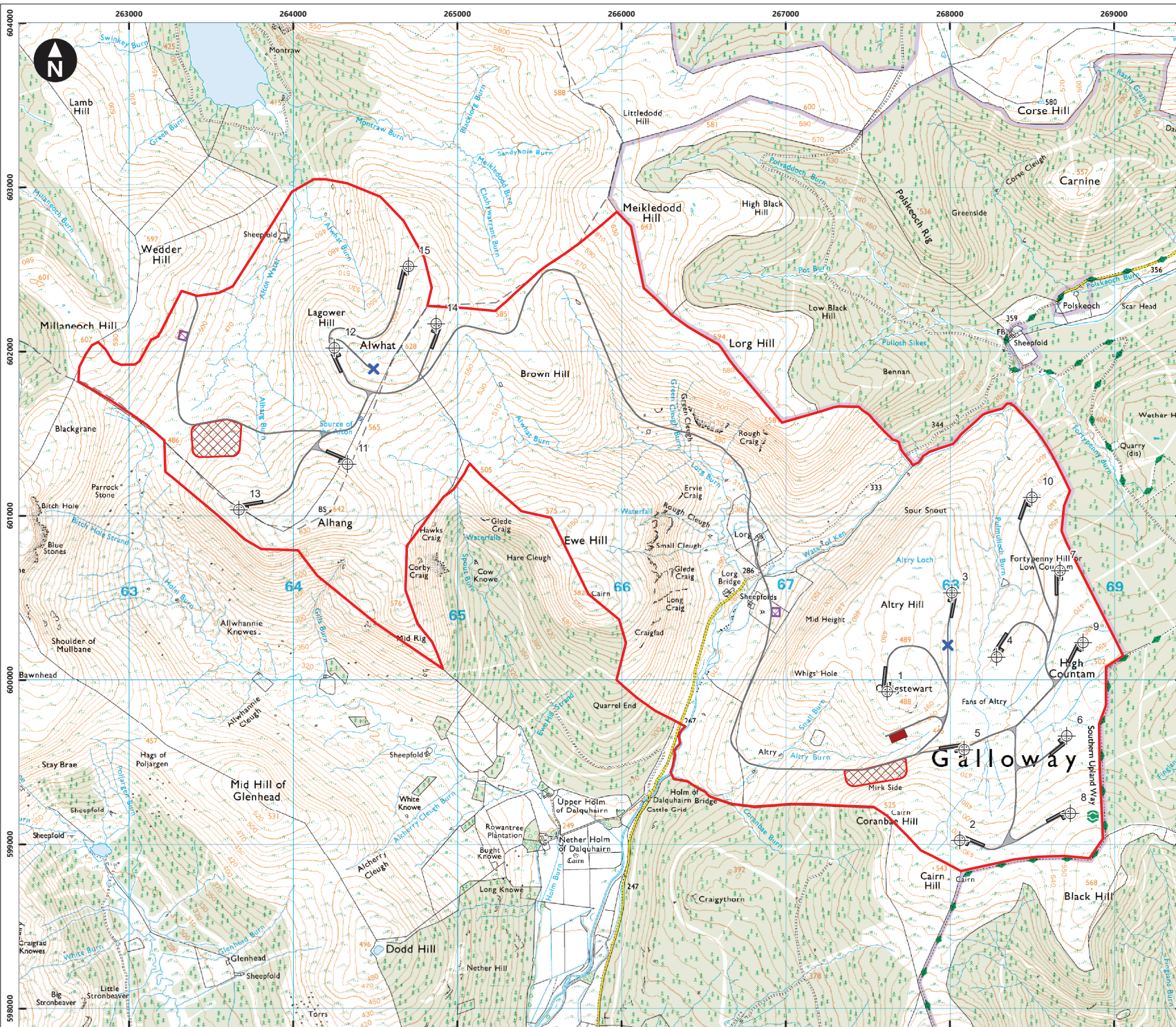


Log Wind Farm  
Environmental Impact Assessment Report

Figure 1.1  
Site location plan



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Key

- Site boundary
- ⊕ Turbine location
- X Met mast location
- Access tracks
- Crane pads
- Borrow pit search area
- Substation A
- Substation B (West)
- Temporary compound

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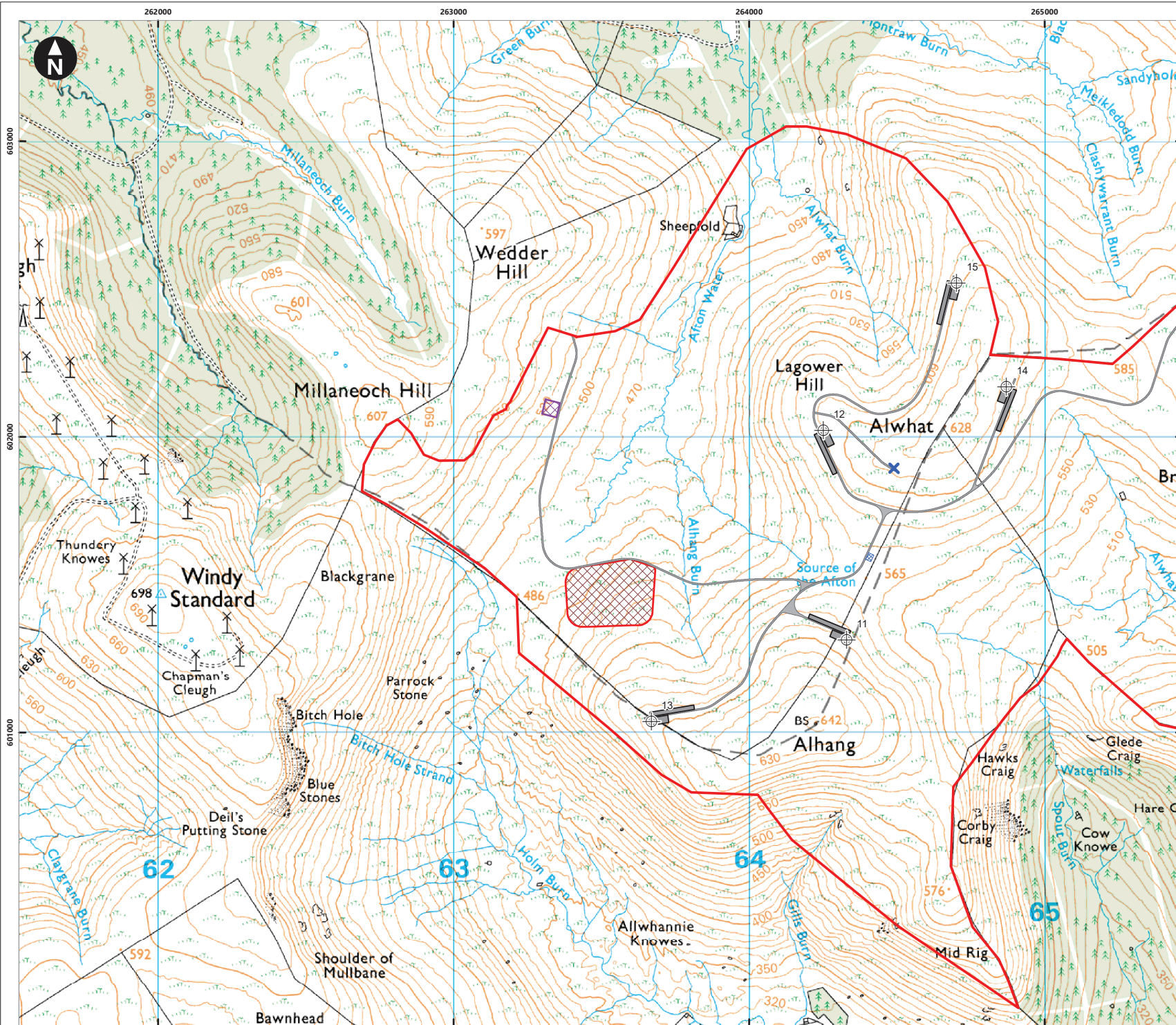
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**Figure 3.1a**  
**Site layout**

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- Key
- Site boundary
  - + Turbine location
  - X Met mast location
  - Access tracks
  - Crane pads
  - Borrow pit search area
  - Substation A (East)
  - Substation B (West)
  - Temporary compound



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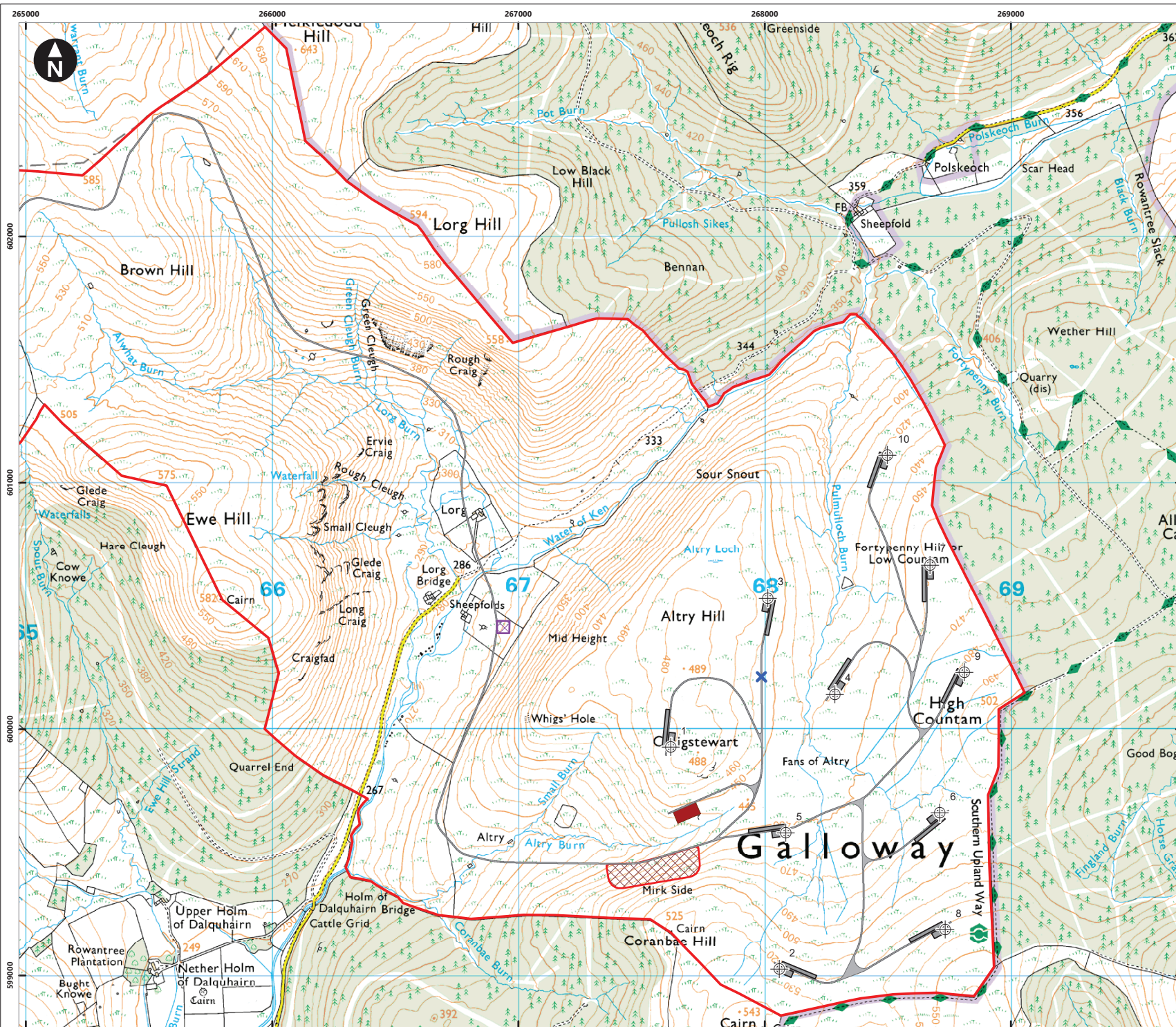
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**Figure 3.1b**  
Site layout - West

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Key

- Site boundary
- Turbine location
- Met mast location
- Access tracks
- Crane pads
- Borrow pit search area
- Substation A (East)
- Substation B (West)
- Temporary compound

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**Figure 3.1c**  
Site layout - East

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**THE ELECTRICITY WORKS (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT)  
(SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2017**

Notice is hereby given that RWE Renewables UK Onshore Wind Ltd company registration number 03758407, with its Registered Office at Greenwood, Westwood Business Park, Coventry, CV4 8PB has applied to the Scottish Ministers for consent under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 to construct and operate a wind farm known as Lorg, 12.3km south west of Sanquhar and 11km north east of Carsphairn. [East Ayrshire and Dumfries and Galloway Council area] (Central Grid Reference 266700, 600800).

The installed capacity of the proposed generating station would be over 50MW comprising 15 turbines with a maximum ground to blade tip height of 200 metres and has been subject to Environmental Impact Assessment. An EIA Report has been produced to accompany the application for consent.

RWE Renewables UK Onshore Wind Ltd has also applied for a direction under Section 57(2) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 that planning permission for the development be deemed to be granted.

Hard copies of the application and EIA Report will be made available for public viewing at Carsphairn Shop & Tearoom, Hillview Leisure Centre, Dalmellington Area Centre and New Cumnock Community Centre at the addresses below.

Carsphairn Shop & Tearoom Carrick House, Carsphairn, Dumfries and Galloway, DG7 3TQ <b>Mon-Fri: 09:00-14:00; Sat 10:00-14:00</b>	Dalmellington Community Centre 38 Ayr Rd, Dalmellington, KA6 7SJ <b>09:00-16:00; 18:00-20:00</b>
Hillview Leisure Centre, Kirkland Drive, Kelloholm, Kirkconnel, DG4 6ST <b>Mon-Tues: 14:00-21:00;</b> <b>Weds-Thurs: 09:30-12:00; 14:00-21:00</b> <b>Fri: 09:30-12:00</b>	New Cumnock Town Hall/New Cumnock Development Trust The Castle New Cumnock Cumnock Ayrshire KA18 4AH <b>During opening hours</b>

A copy of the application, with a plan showing the land to which it relates, together with a copy of the EIA Report discussing the Company's proposals in more detail and presenting an analysis of the environmental implications, is available for public inspection, free of charge on the application website [www.rwe.com/lorg](http://www.rwe.com/lorg) or on the Scottish Government Energy Consents website at [www.energyconsents.scot](http://www.energyconsents.scot) under application reference ECU00003283.

Copies of the EIA Report may be obtained from RWE Renewables UK Onshore Wind Ltd (telephone: 0131 376 0893/ email: [nicholas.taylor@rwe.com](mailto:nicholas.taylor@rwe.com) at a charge of £500 per hard copy and free on DVD/CD. Copies of a short Non-Technical Summary are available free of charge.

Any representations to the application may be submitted via the Energy Consents Unit website at [www.energyconsents.scot/Register.aspx](http://www.energyconsents.scot/Register.aspx); by email to the Scottish Government, Energy Consents Unit mailbox at [representations@gov.scot](mailto:representations@gov.scot); or by post to the Scottish Government, Energy Consents Unit, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 5 Atlantic Quay, 150 Broomielaw, Glasgow, G2 8LU, identifying the proposal and specifying the grounds for representation. Please note that there may be a delay in the Energy Consents Unit receiving representations by post.

Written or emailed representations should be dated, clearly stating the name (in block capitals), full return email and postal address of those making representations. Only representations sent by email to [representations@gov.scot](mailto:representations@gov.scot) will receive acknowledgement.

All representations should be received not later than 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023, although Ministers may consider representations received after this date.

Any subsequent additional information which is submitted by the developer will be subject to further public notice in this manner, and representations to such information will be accepted as per this notice.

As a result of a statutory objection from the relevant planning authority, or where Scottish Ministers decide to exercise their discretion to do so, Scottish Ministers can also cause a Public Local Inquiry (PLI) to be held.

Following examination of the environmental information, Scottish Ministers will determine the application for consent in two ways:

- Consent the proposal, with or without conditions attached; or
- Reject the proposal

General Data Protection Regulations

The Scottish Government Energy Consents Unit processes consent applications and consultation representations under the Electricity Act 1989. During the process, to support transparency in decision making, the Scottish Government publishes online at [www.energyconsents.scot](http://www.energyconsents.scot). A privacy notice is published on the help page at [www.energyconsents.scot](http://www.energyconsents.scot). This explains how the Energy Consents Unit processes your personal information. If you have any concerns about how your personal data is handled, please email [econsents\\_admin@gov.scot](mailto:econsents_admin@gov.scot).