

PLANNING SITE VISIT

Minutes of the meeting held on 17 October, 2012

- PRESENT:** Councillor J.Arwel Roberts (Chair)
- Councillors E.G.Davies, Lewis Davies, Richard Dew, Jim Evans,
Clive McGregor, R.L.Owen, Eric Roberts
- IN ATTENDANCE:** Planning Officer (DPJ)
Committee Officer (ATH)
- APOLOGIES:** None received
- ALSO PRESENT:** Councillor R.Dylan Jones (on behalf of Councillor T.H.Jones)
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1. 38C185C - Full application for the erection of one wind turbine with a maximum hub height of up to 24.6m, rotor diameter of up to 19.2m and a maximum upright vertical tip height of up to 34.2m on land at Maes Mawr, Llanfechell

The Planning and Orders Committee at its meeting held on 3 October, 2012 resolved to visit the site on the recommendation of the Officers.

The Planning Officer reported that this was an application for one wind turbine of up to 34.2m tip height; hub height of up to 23.6m and rotor blade diameter of up to 19.2m generating 50kw of power.

He showed Members the location of the proposal by reference to the map and he drew Members' attention to the location plan which illustrated the nearest residential properties. He informed Members that the nearest dwelling to the site of the proposal was situated at a distance of 312m. The applicant has had conducted, a detailed residential amenities survey and planning officers have also undertaken an assessment of residential amenity in terms of the potential visual effects of the proposal.

In response to a question regarding nearby pylons, the Officer said that the National Grid has been consulted and raised no objections.

Members viewed the site of the proposed turbine and noted its planned location in relation to the surrounding landscape and other landmarks – Rhyd y Groes Wind Farm and Llyn Alaw and Ysgol Llanfechell. They noted the location of the residential dwelling closest to the proposal and they were provided with a photo montage giving a view of the proposed turbine from the access point to the farm and alternatively from the perspective of Llanfechell and Mynydd Mechell. Councillor R.Dylan Jones made reference to the caravan park and the Officer pointed out the park's location relative to the proposal.

Members then viewed the proposal's site and perspective both from Llanfechell and from Mynydd Mechell. They also travelled along the route to the farm along which the proposed turbine would be delivered. The Officer informed Members that the intention was that the turbine would be delivered by a standard HG vehicle, and that the route and submitted Construction Management Plan had been assessed by the Highways Department.

**Councillor J.Arwel Roberts
Chair**