Hagshaw Energy Cluster Western Expansion

We would like to welcome you to this exhibition, where we can provide information on the proposed development and begin conversations with the local communities and key stakeholders about how we can develop a project that will help to support the local economy and environment alongside actively contributing towards Scotland, and the UK's, climate change targets.

The Applicant

Spirebush Ltd (the Applicant), a company established by 3R Energy Solutions Ltd (3R Energy) is named after a hill on the site and created for the purpose of taking forward Hagshaw Energy Cluster - Western Expansion. 3R Energy is part of a family group of companies established in 2009 to help farms and rural businesses to invest in renewable energy technology, with its head office situated at Lanark Auction Market.

Together the Group:

- owns and manages 3,500 acres of land in the Douglas Valley
- has farmed the land for over 120 years
- generates a combined annual turnover of c. £6 million
- employs 15 people as a direct result of its renewable energy and farming operations within the Hagshaw Cluster

As a local company 3R Energy is committed to working with communities closest to the Hagshaw Cluster for the long term to develop and deliver successful projects which create significant and tangible benefits for the local area.

This proposal to extend the Hagshaw Cluster, builds on 3R Energy's experience and knowledge of renewable generation in the local area, helping to grow and diversify local opportunities for the future.

Background

The Applicant intends to apply to the Scottish Ministers (overall project) and South Lanarkshire Council (hydrogen component) for permission to construct and operate Hagshaw Energy Cluster – Western Expansion at site located to the north and northeast of the village of Muirkirk in East Ayrshire. The site adjoins an established cluster of wind farms around Hagshaw Hill (known as the 'Hagshaw Cluster') and Dungavel Hill. The key characteristics of the proposed development are summarised on the following boards.

As is required by planning legislation, there will be two separate applications to cover the development: with the wind, solar and battery energy storage components seeking consent from the Scottish Ministers and the Green Hydrogen Production Facility seeking consent from South Lanarkshire Council. Details of the hydrogen application can be found separately at this exhibition.

Next Steps

We will take into account the feedback we receive from these public consultation events as we refine our proposals and finalise the development size and layout. A formal Section 36 application (overall project) and planning application (hydrogen component) for our Hagshaw Energy Cluster - Western Expansion project will then be submitted to the Scottish Government Energy Consents Unit and South Lanarkshire Council respectively in the summer of 2023.



Comments can be made to 3R Energy at the address below or on feedback forms available today. Please note that any comments made at this stage are not representations to the Scottish Ministers or Local Authority. Once the applications are submitted there will be an opportunity to make representations on the applications at that time.

Thank you for coming

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