

Hagshaw Energy Cluster Western Expansion | Phase 1

We would like to welcome you to this exhibition, where we can provide information on the proposed development and hold 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, renewable energy targets.

The Applicant

Spirebush Ltd (the Applicant), a company established by 3R Energy Solutions Ltd (3R Energy) to take forward the Hagshaw Energy Cluster - Western Expansion | Phase 1. 3R Energy was established in 2009 to help farms and rural businesses to invest in renewable energy technology, with its head office situated at Lanark Auction Market.

3R Energy is part of a group of companies which together:

- own and manage 3,500 acres of land in the Douglas Valley
- have farmed the land for over 120 years
- generates a combined annual turnover of c. £6 million
- employs 15 people as a direct result of the group's renewable energy and farming operations within the Hagshaw Energy Cluster

As a local company, 3R Energy is committed to working with the 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.

The Applicant intends to apply to the Scottish Ministers for permission to construct and operate Hagshaw Energy Cluster – Western Expansion | Phase 1 at a site adjoining an established cluster of wind farms at Dungavel Hill in rural South Lanarkshire, extending southwards to the north of the village of Muirkirk in East Ayrshire.

This proposal 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

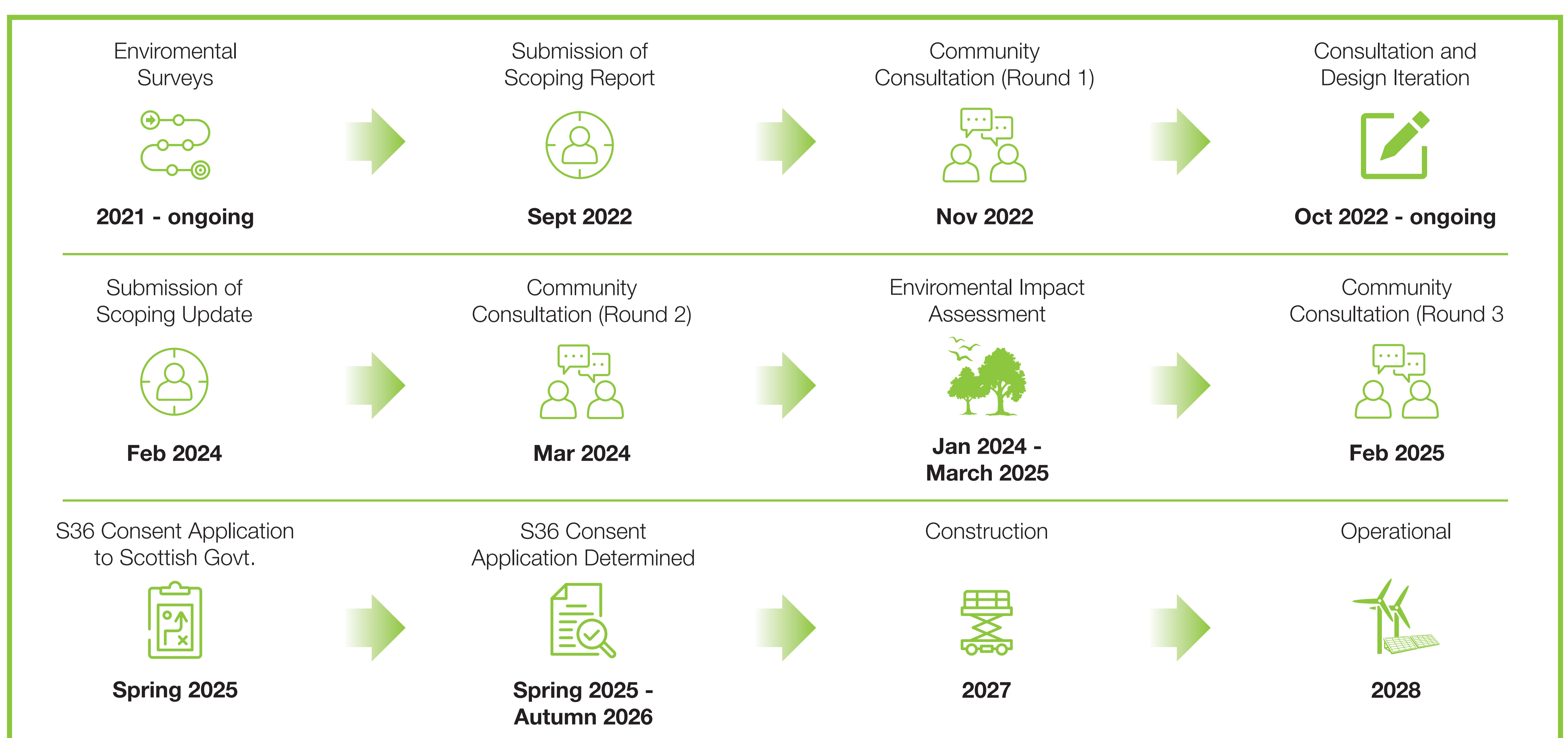
We have previously held public consultation events in November 2022 and March 2024 to discuss the proposals and gather questions and comments from those communities located closest to the site. As a direct result of the responses received, we have amended the proposals and met with the closest communities to update them on the proposed changes and the reasons behind them. Since the last round of consultation events an additional access route option has been proposed for delivery of abnormal loads (the wind turbine components) to the site.

Previously, abnormal load deliveries were only looking to take access to the site from junction 11 of the M74, through the Hagshaw Energy Cluster before dropping south onto the A70, and west to Muirkirk, before then heading north along the B743. It is now proposed that the application will assess two potential abnormal load routes to the site; one through the existing Hagshaw Energy Cluster, as noted above, as well as a second route exiting the M74 at junction 8, travelling west along the A71 through Stonehouse and Strathaven, and then south along the B743. Only one of these routes will ultimately be used during the construction phase for the delivery of abnormal loads.

The key characteristics of the proposed development are summarised on the following boards.

Next Steps

We will again take into account the feedback we receive from this public consultation event as we refine our proposals and finalise the application for consent. A formal Section 36 application for Phase 1 of the Hagshaw Energy Cluster - Western Expansion project will then be submitted to the Scottish Government Energy Consents Unit in Spring 2025.



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

Thank you for coming

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