



**Solwaybank Wind Farm  
Community Liaison Group  
Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2011  
Village Hall, Eaglesfield at 7.30pm  
Minutes**

<b>Agenda Item Number</b>	<b>Agenda item</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>1</b>	<p><b>Apologies for absence</b></p> <p>Apologies received from Canonbie Community Council (Jim Fleming) and Gretna Community Council (Alexander Thomson)</p> <p>In attendance were:- Ben Jeffreys (BJ) Bellenden Rachel Anderson (RA) RES Ruth Elder (RE) RES Graham Pannell (GP) RES Rose Sutherland, Middlebie &amp; Waterbeck CC Dennis Reid, Middlebie &amp; Waterbeck CC Diane Reid, Middlebie &amp; Waterbeck CC Avril Bailie, Lockerbie CC Nick Jennings, Eskdalemuir CC Doris Portous, Kirkpatrick Fleming CC Sheila Clunie, Kirkpatrick Fleming CC Caroline Rae, Eaglesfield CC Jim Rae, Eaglesfield CC Ken Domoney (Local Resident)</p>	
<b>2</b>	<p><b>Welcome and introduction</b></p> <p>BJ welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending. The RES representatives</p>	



	introduced themselves and explained their roles within the project.	
<b>3</b>	<b>Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting</b> The minutes of the meeting were agreed. RS asked that the names of those present be added to the minutes.	<b>Bellenden</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Solwaybank Project Update</b> RE gave an update on the project. She explained that she had met with the planning officer, and was now arranging meetings with SNH etc to discuss methodologies. (It was confirmed that Lindsay Brown would be the Planning Officer.) RS asked about road assessments. RE explained that engineering where undertaking various assessments. M&W asked about turbine numbers and cumulative impact, about which discussion followed. Submission is planned for October 2011.	
<b>5</b>	<b>Special Report : Grid Connection</b> GP gave a presentation on grid connection, explaining that this could be underground, overground or by combination. The planning application RES will submit for Solwaybank will not include an application for the grid connection (this will be separate) although potential grid connection routes will be assessed as part of the Environmental Impact Assessment for the wind farm. There was a discussion about grid connection.	
<b>6</b>	<b>Future Meeting Date</b>  This was agreed for Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2011 at Eaglesfield Village Hall.	
<b>7</b>	<b>Any Other Business</b> NJ asked about the use of local contractors.	



	RA stated that it is RES policy to endeavor to use local contractors wherever possible during the construction phase.	
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