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This letter serves as an objection to the Consultation Received

Reference 25/02312/S42 Meall Budhie

This is the second application this year, with detrimental effects on the Kyle of Sutherland area and Creich Parish residents, to apply for changes to its original planning application, both granted several years earlier.

The process of applications being changed years after approval is becoming too common and is not only bad practice by the developers but should not set a precedent with local and government planning processes, making it the normal.

We feel that the request for an extension to start the building is outrageous. It shows that the developer has, putting it bluntly, not got their act together. We would like to remind you that the local community were completely against this application the first time round, as were the Highland Council, but a single government reporter overruled everyone, refusing to speak or listen to locals and decided a Public Inquiry wasn't an option. Please see attached the previous opposition letter from Creich Community Council. As none of our concerns have been addressed, we continue to oppose this development.

Having dealt with numerous windfarm applications since this one was presented, it is clear to us that a professional approach to the application is to work with Scottish & Southern Energy Networks prior to an application. In this instance, the developer did not do this, for what can only be one of two reasons.

They were either simply lazy, or they wanted to maximise profits by arranging the connection themselves and now having found out they will have to wait in line, due to other wind farm developments in the area who have already applied for their connections before getting planning approval.

With all the above in mind any extension just leaves our community in a state of limbo for even longer. Other wind farm applications can use this to suggest that a cumulative effect is less when we can't argue the opposite, as we don't know if it will ever be built.

Therefor we object to any extension to the commencing of works, and to changes to the application that could and almost certainly would, result in a larger detrimental impact on the Kyle of Sutherland area and the local population.

From

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