

Press Release

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Planning application for Sillfield Wind Cluster submitted to South Lakeland District Council.

Whirlwind Renewables Limited has submitted a planning application for the proposed Sillfield Wind Cluster in Preston Patrick, Cumbria.

The design and layout for the scheme have been revised following feedback received at the public exhibition held in June 2008, which was attended by over 120 local residents and 25 Parish, District and County Councillors.

Following comments from local residents, the proposal has been reduced from 4 to 3 wind turbines, and the length of the access tracks has also been reduced.

Tom Surman, Development Director at Whirlwind Renewables said:

"Wind energy projects are essential if we are to meet international, national and regional targets to reduce emissions of carbon dioxide, the main greenhouse gas contributing to climate change. The Sillfield Wind Cluster would produce enough electricity to meet the needs of up to 4,000 homes, which is equivalent to 9.5% of homes in South Lakeland. If the scheme is consented, we are committed to establishing a community benefit fund which would provide income for the local residents to spend on local projects and initiatives."

As part of the planning application, an Environmental Statement has been prepared regarding the proposal. This is available on South Lakeland District Council's website. Copies of the Non-Technical Summary of the Environmental Statement, and the Design & Access Statement, are also available to download at www.whirlwindrenewables.com.

The planning application was registered on Monday 8th September. Comments should be made to Barry Jackson at South Lakeland District Council quoting planning application number SL/2008/0900.

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Notes to Editors:

The development team at Whirlwind Renewables has over 30 years experience in the wind power industry and many more in the electricity industry as a whole. The team's focus is to develop small onshore clusters of wind turbines.

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