

Winwick Wind Farm

Keeping you up to date with the progress of the Winwick Wind Farm proposal



Wind farm proposal update

In November 2009, we held two public exhibitions to show you our proposal and listen to your feedback. Since then, we've been working hard to finalise the wind farm design and complete all of the remaining environmental studies while we continue to consult with stakeholders. We've almost completed the Environmental Statement (ES) which explains the methodology and results of all of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) work we've completed.

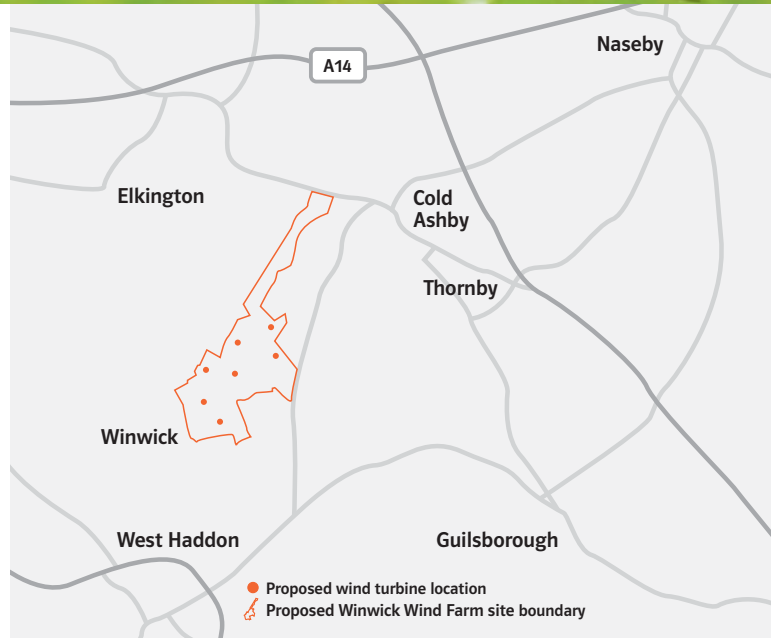
Invitation to our Stag's Holt Wind Farm

We're holding a fact-finding tour on Tuesday 20 April 2010 of one of our operational wind farms, Stag's Holt near March, Cambridgeshire. This is a great opportunity to be shown around an operational site and see inside the control room. Transport will be provided from West Haddon, Cold Ashby and Kelmarsh Hall and the tour will last around six hours. Spaces are limited to 40 and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

To reserve your place, email winwick@eon-uk.com or call 0800 0961 199 (9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday) by 14 April 2010.

* Based on an average annual household electricity consumption of 4,700kWh (source: DECC). The annual electricity generation estimate is based on wind speed data measured on site. This data has been independently verified.

† This figure is based on the Government's long term marginal plant figure of 430g CO₂/kWh. Although it's difficult to predict the exact impact of a wind farm development, we can be certain that over the course of its lifetime, green electricity from a wind turbine will offset large amounts of CO₂ that would have otherwise been produced if that electricity had been generated using fossil fuels, such as coal and gas.



Project description

- ⇒ **Project scope** - 7 three-bladed wind turbines
- ⇒ **Turbine heights** - 80m from ground to hub/126.5m from ground to blade tip
- ⇒ **Total power** - Up to 17.5MW
- ⇒ **Location** - Between the villages of Winwick and Cold Ashby
- ⇒ **Equivalent energy** - Generates electricity for the estimated equivalent of around 7,800 households* a year
- ⇒ **Carbon savings** - Our estimates show that this development could offset around 15,000 tonnes[†] of carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions a year

Next steps

Our next step is to complete our planning application and submit it to Daventry District Council, along with the Environmental Statement (ES). All of the planning documents will be made available to the public and also on our website at eon-uk.com/winwick together with the Non-Technical Summary.

Public feedback

The feedback from local communities highlighted some key issues for you, such as visual amenity, noise, transport plans and local benefits. Please feel assured that we've listened to this feedback and as a responsible developer, we will consider your comments in our application. We believe it's important to be a good neighbour in the communities where we work and operate. If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to contact us using the details in the red box.



Stag's Holt Wind Farm, Cambridgeshire - for illustrative purposes only.



Landscape and visual assessment

We've amended the wind farm design layout many times in order to achieve the best possible design. One of the key considerations of each layout change is how the wind farm will be viewed from various points around the site. Taking into account public feedback, we've reduced the number of turbines from eight to seven and moved the turbines from their original locations to be further away from Cold Ashby village and the golf course. A series of photomontages and wireframe images were produced and made available at the public exhibition, but a greater number will be included in the ES.

Local benefits

Constructing, operating and maintaining the Winwick Wind Farm would see substantial investment into the local and regional economy, with the potential of creating and supporting jobs. Should the proposal be approved, we plan to hold a 'meet the buyer' event to raise awareness of contract opportunities and establish links with local companies. We'll also be setting up a community fund which is estimated to contribute at least £28,000 annually towards local initiatives over the project's lifetime. This will be available for local projects. And we'll be offering habitat improvement and management plans to enhance the ecology around the wind farm.

Transport plans

We're in touch with local residents who live along the proposed transport route. We're working closely with them to ensure our traffic management and transport plans are suitable for the area and minimise any inconvenience. The full Traffic and Transport Assessment will be published in the ES following submission. We'll also be producing more detailed management plans and working closely with the local communities and highways authorities in order to carefully manage routes for construction traffic. We're looking at how local residents and businesses use the roads so we can avoid busy times as much as possible.



→ Keep in touch

We have a number of ongoing consultations and these will continue throughout the planning process and beyond. Once our planning application is submitted, we're keen to keep in touch with you, answer questions, provide information and listen to your views. Our contact details are below, so please do get in touch:

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