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17 September 2012

## **RECONVENED MEETING OF ARGYLL AND BUTE LOCAL REVIEW BODY**

**25 SEPTEMBER 2012 AT 3.00PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, KILMORY,  
LOCHGILPHEAD**

I attach herewith further written submissions as requested by the Local Review Body at their meeting on 15 August 2012 along with comments on these.

Douglas Hendry  
Executive Director - Customer Services

### **BUSINESS**

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (IF ANY)**
3. **CONSIDER NOTICE OF REVIEW: KILDAVAIG FARM, TIGHNABRUAICH,  
ARGYLL, PA21 2AH**
  - (c) Further written submissions (Pages 1 - 16)
  - (d) Comments from Interested Parties on further written submissions (Pages 17 - 18)

### **ARGYLL AND BUTE LOCAL REVIEW BODY**

Councillor Robin Currie  
Councillor Sandy Taylor

Councillor George Freeman

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28<sup>th</sup> August 2012

Your Ref: 12/0009/LRB  
Our Ref: 12/00012/REFPLA  
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Charles Reppke  
Head of Governance and Law  
Customer Services  
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Dear Mr Reppke,

**LOCAL REVIEW BODY REF. 12/0009/LRB  
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997  
APPEAL REF. 12/00012/REFPLA  
ERECTION OF 20 METRE HIGH WIND TURBINE (24.25 METRES TO BLADE TIP) AT  
KILDAVAIG FARM, ARDLAMONT, BY KAMES**

I refer to the AB 7 form dated 16<sup>th</sup> August 2012 in which further information was requested by the Local Review Body prior to making a determination on the appeal. Please accept the following as this Department's response to this request.

### **Visual Impact**

Members requested photographic evidence of the visual impact of the proposed turbine upon the Area of Panoramic Quality from the farm houses on the Island of Bute and around the Ardlamont Peninsula.

In the Report of Handling and the reason for refusal, mention was made of the visual impact of the proposed turbine from the "*north west part of the Isle of Bute around Kildavannan, Glecknabae and Kilmichael*". To clarify this point, the places that were mentioned were meant to indicate the particular area of the island and it is agreed that the turbine would not necessarily be visible from each of the farmhouses.

In this respect, photographs have been taken from four vantage points between Kildavannan Point and Glecknabae and these are included as part of the further information. There are also photographs showing the site from various locations within the Ardlamont peninsula.

**Rural Opportunity Area**

A plan is enclosed which identifies the location of the proposed turbine together with the boundary between '*Rural Opportunity Area*' and '*Sensitive Countryside*'. The Members of the LRB will note that the turbine itself would be located within land designated as '*Sensitive Countryside*'.

I would be grateful if you could convey the above comments and the enclosed paperwork to the Local Review Body.

Yours sincerely

Planning Officer  
Development Management  
Bute and Cowal



View Point 1





View Point 2

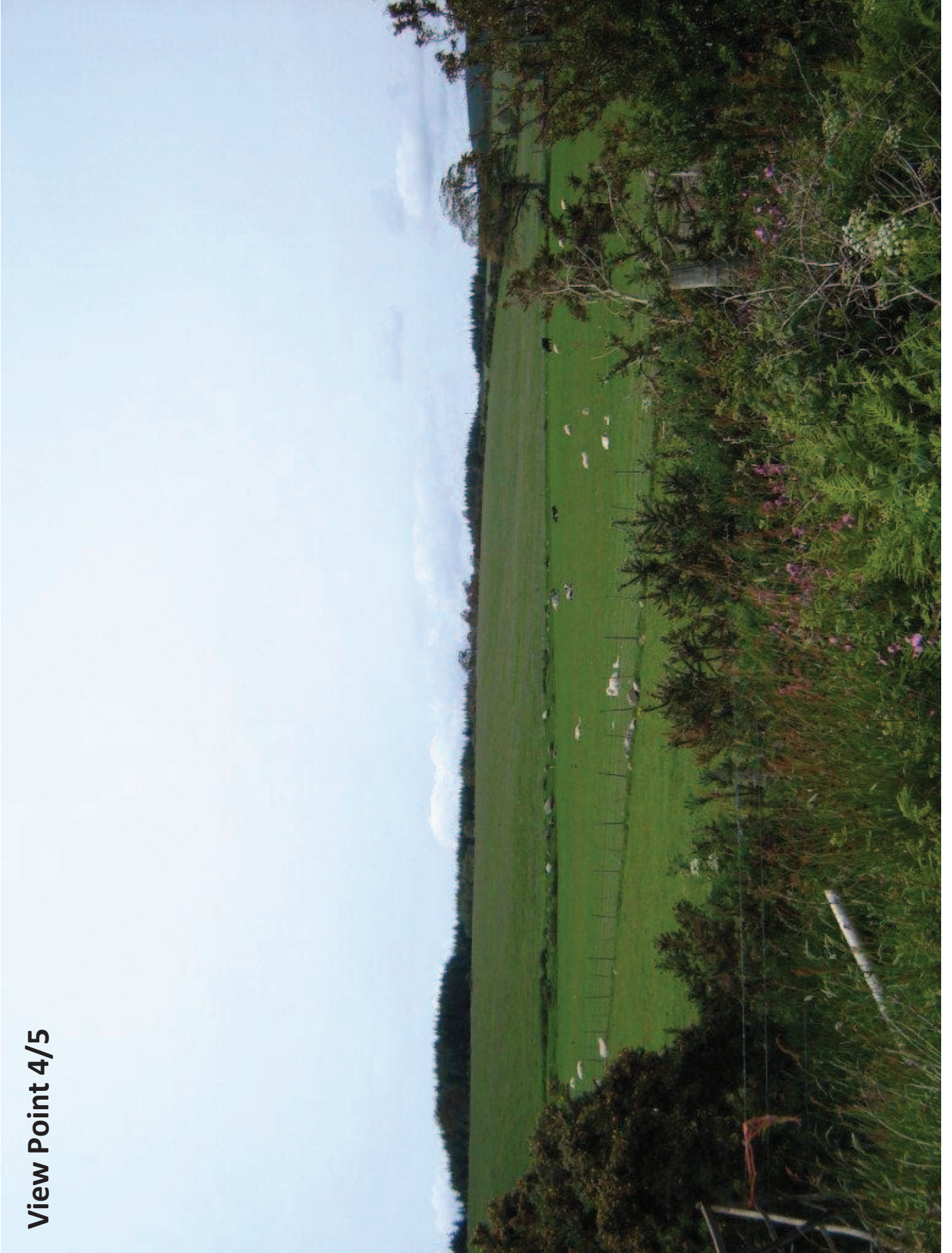


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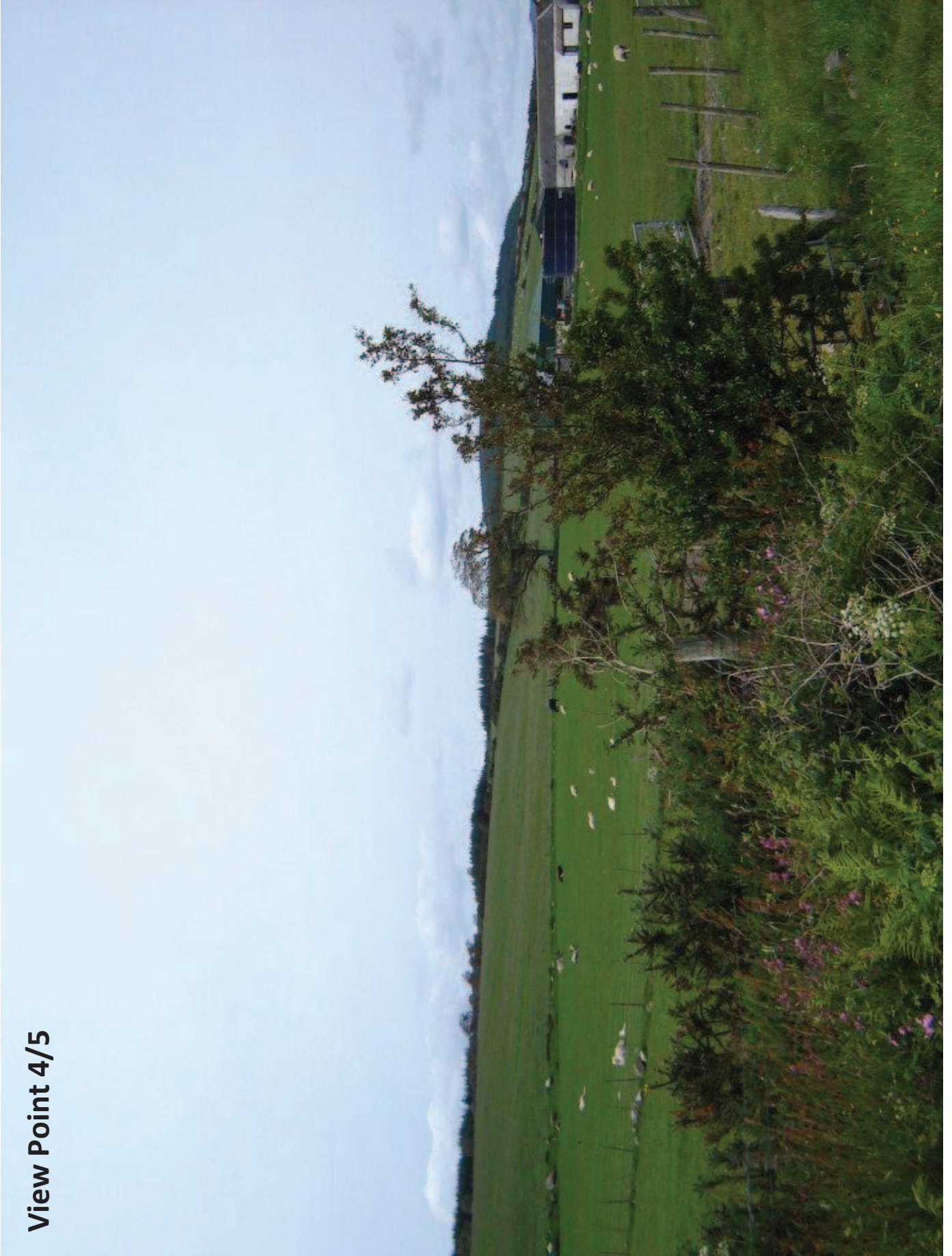


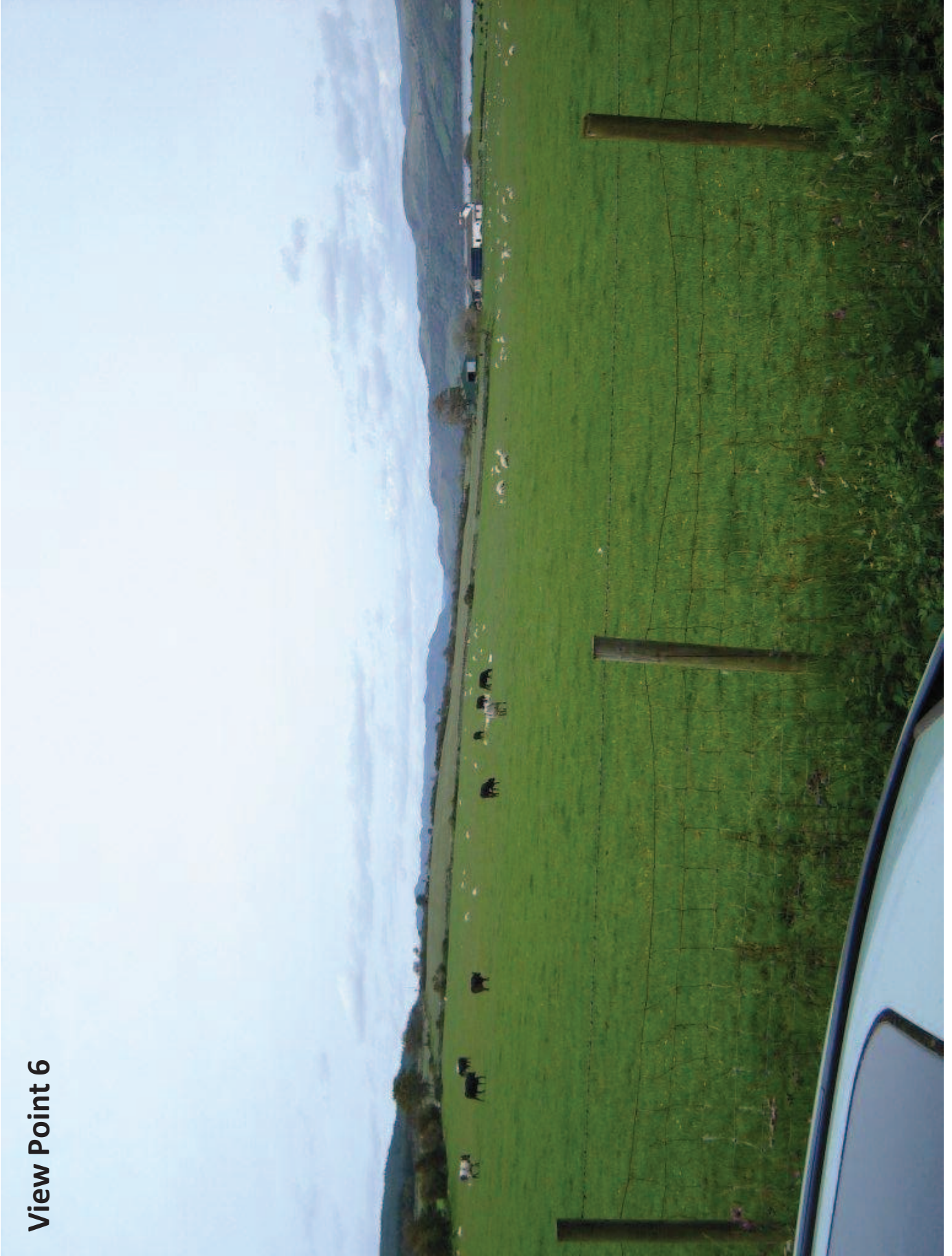
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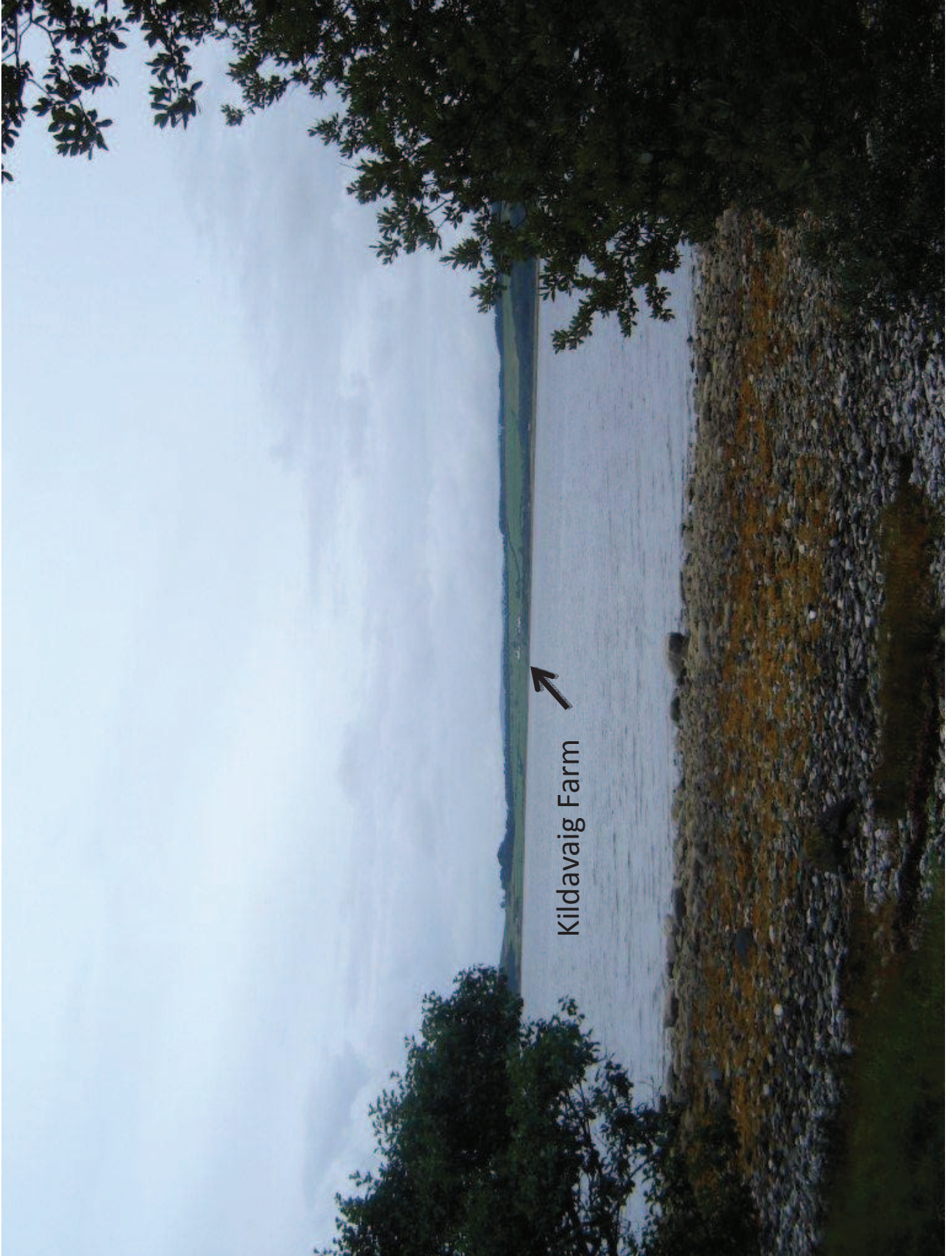




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30 August 2012

**Your Reference:** 12/0009/LRB

**Our Reference:** DE/C/SUT/43/10/1/16706

Dear Ms McCallum

**Site Name: Kildavaig Farm**

**Application Number: 11/00653/PP**

**Proposal: Erection of 1 Wind Turbine**

**Site: Tighnabruaich, Argyll PA21 2AH**

Thank you for consulting the Ministry of Defence (MOD) on the above Planning Application dated 16 August 2012.

I am writing to tell you that the MOD has no objection to the proposal.

The application is for 1 turbine at 15.25metres to blade tip. This has been assessed using the grid reference below as submitted in your pro-forma.

Turbine	100km Square Letter	Easting	Northing
1	NR	98661	66087

The principal safeguarding concern of the MOD with respect to the development of wind turbines relates to their potential to create a physical obstruction to air traffic movements and cause interference to Air Traffic Control and Air Defence radar installations.

Defence Infrastructure Organisation Safeguarding wishes to be consulted and notified of the progression of planning applications and submissions relating to this proposal to verify that it will not adversely affect defence interests.

If planning permission is granted you must tell us;

- the date construction starts and ends;
- the maximum height of construction equipment;
- the latitude and longitude of every turbine.

This information is vital as it will be plotted on flying charts to make sure that military aircraft avoid this area.

If the application is altered in any way we must be consulted again as even the slightest change could unacceptably affect us.

I hope this adequately explains our position on the matter. If you require further information or would like to discuss this matter further please do not hesitate to contact me.

Further information about the effects of wind turbines on MOD interests can be obtained from the following websites:

**MOD:** <http://www.mod.uk/DefenceInternet/MicroSite/DIO/WhatWeDo/Operations/ModSafeguarding.htm>

**Restats:** <https://restats.decc.gov.uk/cms/aviation-safeguarding-maps/>

**RenewableUK:** <http://www.bwea.com/aviation/index.html>

Yours sincerely

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Assistant Safeguarding Officer – Wind Energy

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