**Questionnaire**

Tarbert and Skipness Community Council (TSCC) are submitting an objection to the proposed Earraghail Renewable Energy Development (RED). As a Community Council our mandate is to represent the views of the community. Therefore we would be grateful if you would take a few minutes to complete this short questionnaire so we may more accurately do so. Please see the attached factsheet for background information regarding the proposed development.

Thank You

Please circle your answer.

Which of the following describes your relationship to Argyll/Kintyre?

1. Permanent resident
2. Second home owner/Occasional resident
3. Visitor

Are you concerned about the level of wind-farm development in Kintyre and Knapdale as shown on the map provided?

1. Yes
2. No

 Which of these best describes the level of development shown?

1. Over Capacity
2. At Capacity
3. Acceptable

How concerned are you about the impacts of industrialisation you see in Mid-Argyll and Kintyre as a consequence of the Inveraray to Crossaig overhead power line upgrade?

1. Very Concerned
2. Concerned
3. Not concerned

Which of these best describes the potential impacts to the critical tourism sector from wind-farms and associated grid infrastructure?

1. Very detrimental
2. Detrimental
3. Acceptable
4. Positive

On the basis of what you know, what is your view on the proposed Earraghail Renewable Energy Development planning application?

1. Reject
2. Support
3. Undecided

Has the Scottish Government presented you with enough information to make an informed decision?

1. Yes
2. No

Are you concerned about the Earraghail RED’s impact upon rare bird species?

1. Yes
2. No

The RED’s Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) claims the Sea Eagles have only crossed the development site once in the last 2 years. Have you seen the Sea Eagles in the Tarbert to Skipness area in the last 2 years, if so how many times?

1. None
2. Once
3. Twice
4. More than twice

The Tarbert to Skipness North Atlantic Costal Oak Wood is the largest area of protected ancient woodland on the Kintyre Peninsula designated as both a Special Area of Conservation (SAC) and a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI). Do you think the proximity of the proposed development is acceptable?

1. Not Acceptable
2. Acceptable

Which of these best describes your view towards the visual/landscape impact of the proposed development to the views of the area surrounding it, including Skipness, North Arran, Cowal Peninsula, Bute, Kintyre and Mid Argyle?

1. Detrimental
2. Tolerable

The Ancient way-path connecting the historical communities of Tarbert and Skipness and their medieval castles is the last hill crossing section of the Kintyre Way walking route to not have a wind-farm situated along it. Do you think it is acceptable for this opening and historically important section to also pass through an industrial scale wind-farm?

1. Acceptable
2. Unacceptable

Can you provide your name and address in the space below or if you prefer to remain anonymous sign anonymous? Your information will only be used by TSCC to represent your views to the Energy Consents Unit at the Scottish Government and we will not pass it to any 3rd parties.

 Signature……………………………..

Thank you for taking the time to answer these questions. It will help us to represent you in protecting the interests of our local community and landscape.

Please return your completed questionnaire by Wednesday the 11th of May in person or by post to Skipness Smokehouse, beside the castle. Tip…. the postie may even take it for you!

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If there is anyone else you know who may like to fill out this questionnaire please duplicate it and distribute.

The questionnaire can be filled out digitally online @ skipnesser.com until the 20th of May.

Any further comments can be made to Local community Councillors including Tim James in Skipness or Bob Chicken in Tarbert. TSCC submit to the Scottish Government at the end of May.