



## Nigg Energy Park / Questionnaire

### **PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT RELATING TO THE MANUFACTURE AND STORAGE OF PRODUCTS FOR THE OFFSHORE RENEWABLES MARKET AT NIGG ENERGY PARK.**

Since the acquisition of the Nigg fabrication yard by the Global Energy Group in 2011 there has been significant investment in site infrastructure, general enhancement and the establishment of the Nigg Skills Academy on-site training facility, all aimed at capturing a share of rig inspection, repair and maintenance (IRM), North Sea oil decommissioning and both offshore and marine renewable energy manufacturing, installation and maintenance contracts. This has resulted in contracts for subsea fabrication for the Oil and Gas sector, and for the Nuclear industry. The most recent upgrading and extension of the South Quay is also a major asset in attracting future work.

Nigg is well placed in terms of its strategic location and infrastructure to benefit from the emerging economic growth based on new investment in the off-shore renewables industry. Off-shore wind and tidal devices are already assembled at Nigg but further investment in new buildings and facilities is necessary to help bid for new manufacturing opportunities.

Detailed planning applications were submitted in July 2017 for the following:

- (1) Extension to Assembly Shop 4 to join Shop 7, erection of new paint store, erection of new outfitting warehouse, alterations to Shop 7 to form new access doors on the north gable and alterations to existing warehouse to facilitate access to future blast and paint extension to Shed 7. A decision on this is expected early in October.
- (2) Siting of demountable buildings to provide canteen and welfare facilities in a single storey and office block over 2 storeys. Planning permission was granted for these buildings on 12 September 2107.

**In addition, the erection of an associated new blast and paint workshop is also proposed, together with open storage areas for raw materials and finished renewables products.**

**These will be the subject of a separate application to be submitted to the Highland Council early in November. Although still to be confirmed, the size of this building is to exceed 12,000m<sup>2</sup>, which falls into the Major development category. Planning legislation requires this application to be the subject of a minimum of 12 weeks pre-application notice and public consultation with nearby communities on both sides of the Firth.**

We now seek your comments on the draft outline of this Major development proposal as displayed at exhibitions at Nigg Village Hall on Wednesday 4 October and The Old Brewery in Cromarty on Thursday 5 October.

We value any comments you may wish to make.

***Please help us and complete the questionnaire overleaf.***

# Questionnaire

Please help us by completing the questionnaire below.

If you have any specific views on the proposals please use the box provided below.

**In your opinion what are the most important issues arising from the development of the proposed renewable energy fabrication facilities?** *(rank in numeric order)*

Stimulus for community regeneration	
Triggers investment in the local economy	
Creates new direct and indirect jobs	
Provides opportunities for local companies to expand	
Provides opportunities for career change and retraining	
Provides opportunities in the emerging renewables industry	
Re-establishes the region as a centre for engineering capability	
Builds confidence in the future	

**Please indicate from the list below which best describes your interest:** *(tick all that apply)*

Community resident	
Community business	
Potential supplier of services to Nigg	
A career change or new job at Nigg	
Other – please specify below	

What is your postcode?

**Please provide any comments you may have here:** *(continue on a separate sheet if necessary)*

**If you wish a formal response to your comment insert your relevant details here:**

Name:	Email:
Address:	