

FAO Colin Abernathy
Energy Consents Unit
By Email

1st September 2025

Dear Colin

**ECU00005007 APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED GIANT'S BURN WIND FARM IN THE
PLANNING AUTHORITY AREA OF ARGYLL & BUTE COUNCIL
Our Ref: GLA4655**

I refer to your consultation request received in this office on 25th July 2025.

The proposed development has been examined from an aerodrome safeguarding perspective and conflicts with safeguarding criteria.

Located approximately 36km from the Aerodrome Reference Point, turbines of up to 200m high in this location are predicted to be visible to Glasgow radar and will therefore generate unwanted returns (clutter) on air traffic control display screens.

The proposed development lies beneath the Argyll Control Area and would affect aircraft routing inbound to Glasgow Airport from the west and those routing outbound on a Clyde standard instrument departure route. Aircraft operating under visual flight rules via the River Clyde may also be affected. Clutter in this location would add up to 8nm to aircraft routes and reduce the safety assurance air traffic control are able to provide in this area. It would increase controller workload and complexity.

We, therefore, object to the proposal. You should note that where a Planning Authority proposes to grant permission against the advice of Glasgow Airport, it shall notify Glasgow Airport, the Civil Aviation Authority and the Scottish Ministers as per Circular 2/2003: Town and Country Planning (Safeguarded Aerodromes, Technical Sites and Military Explosives Storage Areas) (Scotland) Direction 2003.

Please note that the proposed development may benefit from an approved mitigation technology (Terma). This could allow our objection to be removed, but is subject to:

- specific technical and operational evaluation by Glasgow Airport;
- formal agreement between the Glasgow Airport and the applicant

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We are in discussions with the applicant to explore this possibility further.

Yours sincerely
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