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Committee Support Officer  
Perth and Kinross Council

Your ref: 18/01656/FLL  
Our ref: NA-PAK-020  
21 January 2020

Dear [REDACTED]

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997  
THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (NEIGHBOURING PLANNING AUTHORITIES  
AND HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT) (SCOTLAND) DIRECTION 2015  
ERECTION OF A WIND TURBINE AND ANCILLARY EQUIPMENT AT AVIVA UK  
INSURANCE BUILDING (FORMER GENERAL ACCIDENT FIRE AND LIFE ASSURANCE  
CORPORATION HEADQUARTERS), PITHEAVLIS, PERTH**

I refer to your Council's e-mail of 7 November 2019 notifying the above application to Scottish Ministers as Perth and Kinross Council are minded to grant planning permission for this development against the advice of Historic Environment Scotland.

Having considered the proposal, Scottish Ministers have decided, in terms of Section 46 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997, to require the application to be referred to them for determination. A Direction, given in terms of Section 46 is enclosed.

The Scottish Ministers have given this Direction in view of the proposed development's potential significant adverse impact on the setting of the Category A listed Aviva building.

Regulation 35 of The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013 requires the planning authority to serve notice on the applicant for planning permission of the terms of the Direction, of the reasons for issuing it, that the application has been referred to Scottish Ministers and that the decision of Ministers will be final. In connection with the service of notice, your attention is drawn to regulation 48 of those Regulations which applies section 271 of the 1997 Act. I should be glad if your Council would serve the required notice and let me have a copy. The planning authority is also required to include a copy of the decision to call in the application on the planning register in accordance with regulation 16 and paragraph 3(d) of Schedule 2.



In terms of the Town and Country Planning (Appeals) (Scotland) Regulations 2013, the application will be submitted to the Directorate for Planning and Environmental Appeals (DPEA) for an examination by a Reporter. Please prepare all the application documentation and send it to [dpea@gov.scot](mailto:dpea@gov.scot) or on pen drive to David Henderson, Head of Performance and Administration, 4 The Courtyard, Callendar Business Park, Callendar Road, Falkirk, FK1 1XR who will make arrangements for processing the case. Thereafter the appointed Reporter will be asked to submit a report with recommendations to Scottish Ministers for their consideration and determination.

Any queries relating to the future handling of the case should be directed to DPEA.

Yours Sincerely

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The Scottish Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by Section 46(1) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby direct that Perth and Kinross Council refer to them for determination the application for full planning permission under the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 received by them from Purple Renewables on behalf of Aviva for the erection of a wind turbine and ancillary equipment at Aviva Headquarters, Pitheavlis, Perth.

This Direction is given in view of the proposed development's potential significant adverse impact on the setting of the Category A listed Aviva building.

This Direction may be cited as the Town and Country Planning (Reference of Application) (Perth and Kinross Council) (Erection of a wind turbine and ancillary equipment at Aviva Headquarters, Pitheavlis, Perth) Direction 2020.

  
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