

Why this location?

Site selection

When identifying a potential wind farm site, ABO Energy considers several different factors. These include, but aren't limited to:

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- Planning history
 - Wind resource
 - Grid connection
 - Proximity to dwellings
 - Area of land available
 - Site access
 - Topography
- Nature conservation designations and ecological impacts
 - Land use designations
 - Location of archaeological and cultural heritage features
 - Safety considerations and
 - Telecommunications / aviation interests

About the application site

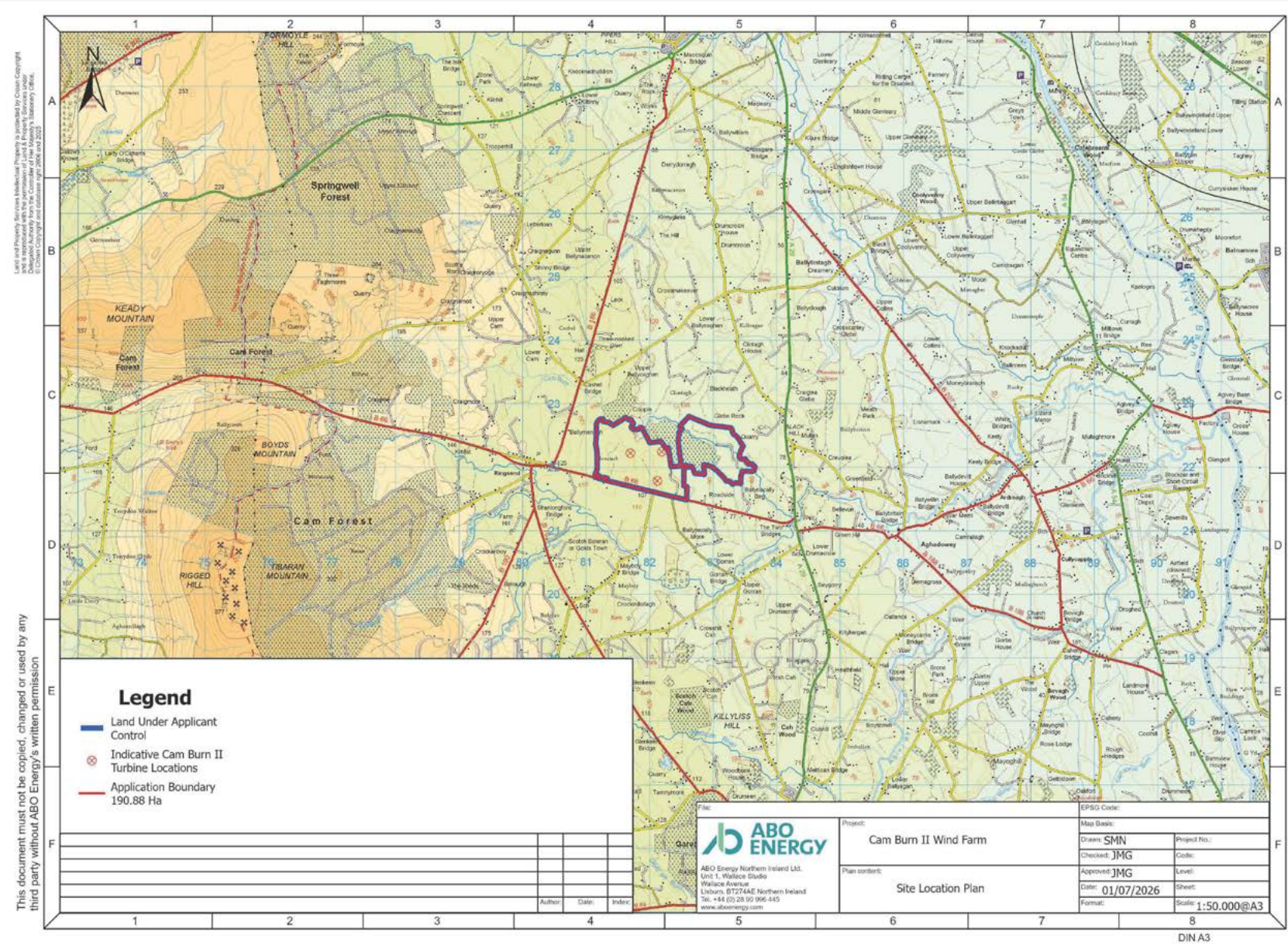
The application site is located within the townlands of Ballynacally More, Ballynacally Beg and Glencurb, approximately 8km south of Coleraine and approx 4.8km northwest of Garvagh, in County Londonderry. The application site falls within the boundary of the Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council. The site hinterland is relatively sparsely populated with 8 inhabited residential properties within 1km of any proposed turbine location.

The site forms an extension to the approved Cam Burn Wind Farm (C/2011/0459/F and LA01/2022/1209/F) with which it will share an access off Craigmore Road, east of the intersection with Ballynacally Road. The approved Cam Burn Wind Farm will consist of four (4) turbines with an overall tip height up to 150m.

Having considered the combination of factors listed above the following can be outlined for the proposed development:

- The site is not within an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB);
- The application site forms an extension to the approved Cam Burn Wind Farm, which aligns with the provisions of the Strategic Planning Policy Statement (Edition 2, 2025);
- There is no theoretical visibility of the proposed turbines or the approved Cam Burn Wind Farm turbines for 62.28 % of the 30km study area radius around the site;
- The site has a higher-than-average wind capacity factor;
- It is anticipated there will be future grid connection availability and capacity in the vicinity of the site;
- There are no dwellings located within 500 metres of any proposed turbine;
- There is a substantial area within the lands under applicant control. This has allowed for the avoidance of sensitive areas identified through the baseline surveys already completed whilst still enabling the erection of the proposed wind turbines and associated infrastructure;
- The substantial area within the lands under applicant control will allow for habitat management, restoration and enhancement, as required;
- The site has good access linkages for delivery of components to the site; and
- The site is an appropriate distance from airports, towns, villages, roads and other infrastructure.

Considering all these factors, ABO Energy believes the proposed site is suitable for a wind farm project and intends to take forward a planning application in the coming months.



Proposal of application notice - Site Location Plan

Note: All details on the proposed development will be confirmed within the planning application.