

Get involved

Glen Water Wind Farm

More than a wind farm



Onshore
wind farm

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A little bit about OnPath Energy



OnPath Energy is a leading UK renewable energy developer with a growing portfolio of onshore wind, solar and energy storage projects across the UK. Formerly known as Banks Renewables, we provide green energy solutions for thousands of UK households, businesses and communities.

We have two additional consented projects nearby at Lethans and Lethans Extension which when combined with Glen Water would have the potential to power up to 182,000 homes per year. Together the projects could deliver enhanced community benefit with the potential to open up existing pathways to nearby villages and towns in addition to skills, employment and community wealth.

Working with you to shape the future of Glen Water Wind Farm

We're excited to share progress on the Glen Water Wind Farm and hear your feedback on our design proposals.

After extensive surveys and consultations, we've created a vision that makes Glen Water more than a wind farm—a project that supports renewable energy, cares for people and the environment, and delivers lasting benefits for local communities.

Following our first round of consultations in spring 2025, we now want to show you what's emerged and discuss how these plans can create a positive legacy for your community.



Let's hear what you had to say when asked about your initial thoughts of the proposal in April...

Enhance biodiversity

Lights on turbines

Subsidise energy cost see more community benefit projects from the 9cc

Surrounded by turbines

Supporting local business

Support skills and employment

Utility payment support

Education and skills bursaries

Heard it all before

Cheaper electricity

Accessible pathways

Walkers and cyclists

Consultation fatigue

No proper consultations

A place to visit for wellbeing

We don't feel the positive impact from any of the wind farms

Enhancing the biodiversity

Not fair distribution of the community funds

Cheaper electricity for local communities

Young people need community hub

Sustainable employment for young people

What you said, what we propose

We carried out a survey reaching over 4,500 people, out of all the responses.

59%

You said: 59% mentioned access to affordable energy.

We propose: Glen Water Wind Farm will create a pilot decarbonisation project for local properties within a 2km radius of the turbines. This initiative will enable eligible households to receive professional energy surveys and tailored installations—reducing their energy costs and lowering their carbon footprint.

This pilot initiative will be new and additional to the standard community benefit offer of around £8.6 million over the lifetime of the development.

63%

You said: 63% said they have strong pride in history and heritage of the area. 56% said they either worked or had family work in the mining industry.

We propose: We will lead a collaboration with the three Primary schools and The Heritage Centre to bring the history and heritage of the mining industry to life on the site.

A heritage trail with information boards creating a narrative

on the site to walk you through the decades of history with stories written by the students, advised by The Heritage Centre, on a journey from traditional mining to renewable energy.

47%

You said: 47% across three consultations said they want jobs and skills to allow families to stay and work in East Ayrshire.

We propose: We will create a decarbonisation project aligning with the 9CC (a group of community councils comprising of nine communities in the Cumnock and Doon Valley area), tackling skills shortages through meaningful apprenticeships and the Community Renewable Energy Project (CoRE) funded by the Ayrshire Growth deal.

42%

You said: 42% surveyed and wanted an accessible place to visit.

We propose: Glen Water Wind Farm will be the key part in the jigsaw puzzle that will unlock the access to surrounding pathways. This will align with Ayrshire Core Path Plan ambitions. More detail can be found on our website.

47%

You said: 47% said you wanted to see enhancement, restoring nature and habitats.

We propose: As part of the master plan we will be regenerating heathland, nature trails protecting peat bog habitat and creating nature trails and an outdoor classroom area for schools, colleges, and universities to visit.

Benefiting your community

£8.6
million
over 40
years

Glen Water Wind Farm project represents a huge opportunity to deliver transformational positive local change. We anticipate that the community benefit package will be approximately £8.6 million over 40 years which has the potential to meaningfully improve the lives of local people

Our ambition is to deliver an enhanced community benefits package that goes beyond the traditional model of issuing grants from a central pot. Instead, our goal has been to identify the wider needs of the area, then tackle them together with a blend of targeted programmes, investment and grants. We will work together with the 9CCG who will be the delivery body for the community benefit fund and people with an interest in the project to identify these needs as well as the best way of ensuring that local voices are heard. But your say doesn't stop here, we want to continue shaping the finer details with you to deliver the best outcome for you and your community. The next step on this journey is our second round of consultation events taking place in January.

From Pit tae Power

We want to ensure that we keep alive and enhance the history and heritage of this site. Our work with local partners such as schools and the Heritage Centre will help deliver a project that provides a legacy for the community on it's journey from mining to renewables, creating a positive impact for people and communities for decades to come.



Why the children of Netherthird chose 'Glen Water'

"We learned that in Scotland a Glen is a narrow valley. There are lots of local places that have Glen in their name, like Gленаfton, Glenburn and Glenmuir so we thought this would be a good one. We also thought that the wind farm would be near water, so Glen Water was a good choice."



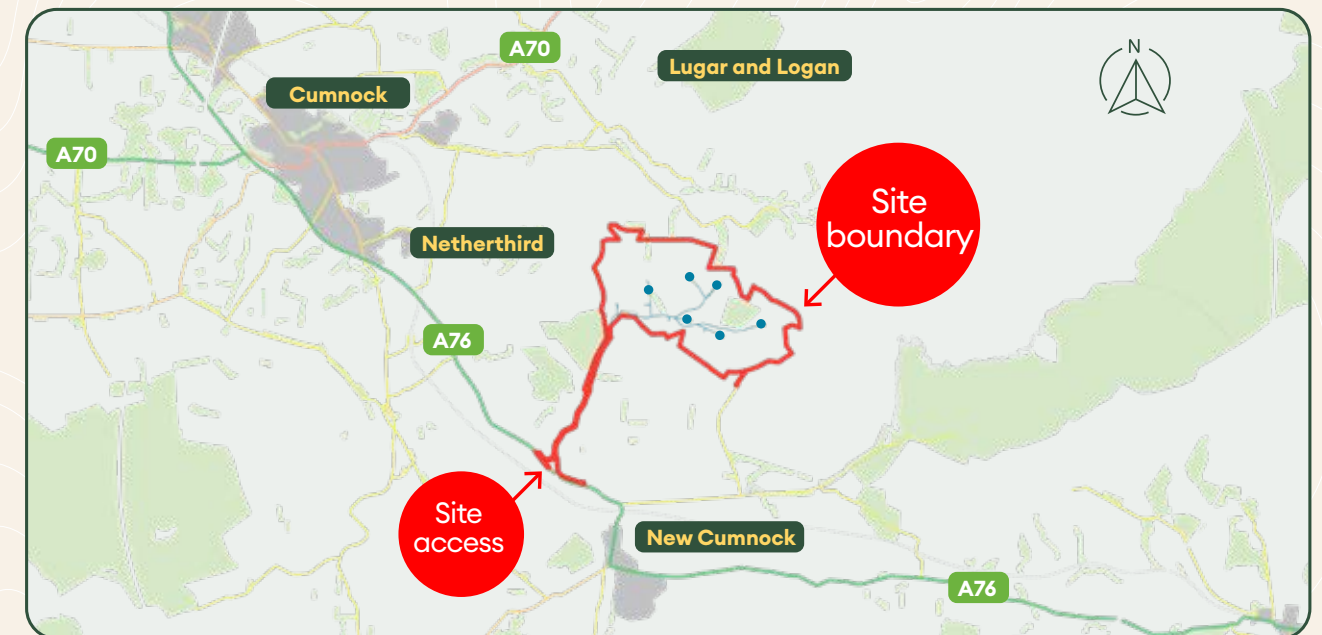
Wind power working for local businesses

"As a local business located little over two miles from the site, we're the perfect example of the benefits wind farms can create for local businesses and the positive impact they can deliver for the community. It's been a great experience for us to be part of such an important green project."

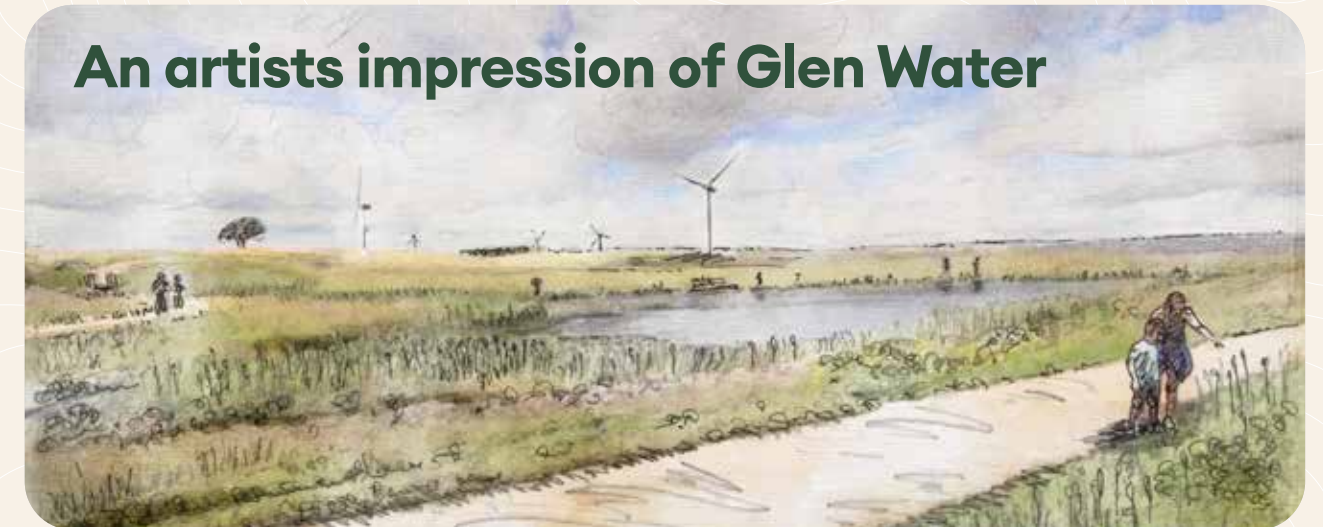
Campbell Duncan, owner of Duncan Plant Hire a family business who delivered the plant hire to conduct our site investigation work at nearby Lethans Wind Farm.

OnPath Together commits us to prioritising local businesses with a commitment to spend £1 million per MW within the local area.

Proposed boundary



An artists impression of Glen Water





What is proposed:

- **43 MW with the potential to power up to around 36,000 homes per year**
- 6 x 200m turbines and associated infrastructure
- 9.4km of on-site access tracks, which will utilise the existing tracks where possible
- Access directly off the A76
- 4 turbines will be lit with visible red aviation lighting
- 120m wind monitoring mast
- Substation and control room
- Up to two borrow pits for use during construction
- Temporary construction compound

A masterplan designed to unlock existing pathways encouraging access to surrounding villages, with links into the off-site path network, biodiversity, habitat restoration, enabling local communities to explore and enjoy their local heritage.

Key project benefits:

- **£8.6 million community fund (based on 43MW scheme @ £5,000MW per annum)**
- Community ownership offer, with 1% free equity and further shares for the community to buy at market rates
- Initiative to decarbonise homes within 2km of the wind farm using suitable local contractors
- Our OnPath Together approach seeks to maximising economic benefits with a commitment of £1 million / MW being spent in the local area. NOTE: We commit to this as part of our OnPath together published targets

Next steps:

Planning application submitted to East Ayrshire Council in early 2026. Please note that comments made to OnPath Energy are not representations to East Ayrshire Council and that there will be an opportunity to make representations on any resultant application to the planning authority once it has been submitted. If you wish to provide OnPath Energy with feedback on our proposals please do so by 29th January 2026. Get in touch on Glen Water page: www.onpathenergy.com/GlenWater



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How can you get involved...

This is the second round of public events and is designed to get feedback on the design proposal itself before we submit a planning application. We would love to see you on the following dates:

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Timeline



April 2025 - public consultation one: we heard your views and priorities.



Spring/Summer 2025 - we brought your feedback into the design process.



January 2026 - public consultation two: we share our design proposals and community benefit package.



Early 2026 - planning application submitted.



Spring/Summer 2026 - collaboration with communities on finer details.



January 2028 - planning application determined.



Spring 2030 - if consented this is our target date to begin construction (grid connection dependent).



Summer 2031 onwards - if consented this is our target date for Glen Water Wind Farm to become operational.

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