



Denbighshire Vote to Approve Brenig Wind Farm

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Denbighshire, Wales - Brenig Wind Ltd were delighted when Denbighshire County Council voted to overrule an earlier vote by their own Planning Committee and grant planning consent for the 16 turbine Brenig Wind Farm project at a meeting of the full council on 26th February 2007.

Developed by Brenig Wind Ltd. the wind farm will have a capacity of up to 40MW and produce green electricity equivalent to the needs of up to 22,000 homes. The project was successfully consented by the Natural Power Consultants, Aberystwyth. Brenig is likely to make a significant contribution to Wales' renewable energy targets as well as providing income and employment locally.

"The site lies within one of the Welsh Assembly's "Strategic Search Areas" for wind farms and also within the preferred "Wind Farm Zone" identified by Denbighshire C.C." noted John Woodruff, a Senior Project Developer from Natural Power. "There were no outstanding issues or objections from statutory consultees so it seems to be a common sense decision".

As part of the development up to 165 ha of land will be managed for heathland recreation. This should be a significant gain for native wildlife and the developers will be working closely with conservation bodies over the life of the project.

"We had a lot of support from the local community" added Eryl Vaughan of Windpower Wales Ltd, one of the joint venture partners in Brenig Wind Ltd. "Nearly 200 letters of support were received by the Planning Department, that's over three times the number who wrote in against us."

Wind Power Wales Ltd. is a locally owned company which aims to develop wind power projects in order to produce a long term supply of renewable energy in Wales. www.windpowerwales.com

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