

Project Plan: Community Wind Turbine Feasibility Study

1. Project Details

1.1. Objective

To carry out a professional feasibility study for a community-owned wind turbine in Blackawton, in preparation for a Stage 2 funding bid and potential project delivery. Stage 1 grants of up to £40,000 grant funding are available from the Great British Energy Community Fund: to scope project feasibility (financial, practical and legal), including further community consultation and consultancy costs for the development of a feasibility report, to establish project viability, to establish a landowner Heads of Terms, and to identify and eliminate risks such as planning permission and grid connection.

1.2. Milestones and Deadlines

- a) Tender issued and consultant appointed – [10 November 2025]
- b) Stage 1 Grant application submitted – [TBC. Expected to be early November 2025]
- c) Technical feasibility study completed – [CEF Stage 1 grants must be spent within 12 months of confirmation of funding.]
- d) Draft report completed – [Insert Date]
- e) Final feasibility report and knowledge-sharing outputs published – [Insert Date]

1.3. Project Plan - Key Outcomes

Task / Activity	Responsible Party	Timeline / Key Dates	Dependencies / Notes	Status
Assign Project Roles: Project Manager/Driver: [Insert Name, Role] Approver: BPC Contributors: Volunteers, Councillors, consultant/supplier	Parish Council	8/09/25		Not started
Identify Consultant (Feasibility Study) Procurement Process				
Scope	<input type="checkbox"/> with BPC oversight			Not started
Write Invitation to Tender document				
Issue ITT		?15/09/25		
Deadline for Questions				
Tender Submission		?2/10/25		
Deadline				
Selection of Consultant:		?13/10/25		
Risk Assessment	<input type="checkbox"/> with BPC oversight	[Insert timeline]	Demonstrate risks and	Not started

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Established 1894

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			mitigation strategies in plan	
Pre-Planning Advice	[]	[Insert timeline]	Initial conversation with Local Planning Authority; stronger if written advice obtained	Not started
Draft Grant Application	[RC with professional assistance]	[Insert timeline]	Requires consultant selection & planning advice	Not started
Approval of Grant Application	BPC	[10/11/25]	Dependent on completed draft	Not started
Submit Stage 1 Grant Application (GBCEF)	[]	[TBC – Early November 2025]	Requires BPC approval	Not started
Approval of Grant				
Supervise, Liaise, Support Consultant's Work				
Completion of Feasibility Study	Consultant	[CEF Stage 1 grants must be spent within 12 months of confirmation of funding.]		
Submit feedback to Grant Funder				