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Lochluichart wind farm approval

Wind farm developer Infinergy has welcomed the Scottish Government's decision to grant approval to its 17 - turbine development at Lochluichart, north-west of Dingwall, in the Highlands.

Chief Executive, Charles Sandham said: "We are delighted that the Government has given consent to the wind farm."

"I would like to express our gratitude to the hundreds of individuals and businesses who wrote letters of support and worked on behalf of the development – I know they will be thrilled by this decision."

He added that the company recognised the significance of the project to the region, in particular the establishment of a community fund which will help to regenerate surrounding villages and communities.

This project also represents a very welcome contribution in delivering the country's renewable energy targets and will help in the fight against climate change.

The development represents a £60 -70 million investment, a significant proportion of which is likely to be spent in the Highlands and Islands region. Infinergy endeavour to get as many local contractors and suppliers involved as possible and will now commence its procurement programme for this project including placing the order for the wind turbines and tendering the balance of plant contracts.

Up to 100 jobs will be created during the construction period. Once operational there will further local business and contract opportunities for companies supplying goods and services.

Mr Sandham added that where feasible, local people will be employed.

Highland Council gave its approval to the development last year after the number of turbines was reduced from 22 to 17.

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