

Stage one consultation overview

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HOPE MOOR
Wind Farm

Thank you to everyone who shared their views on our initial proposals for Hope Moor Wind Farm. Between 6 May and 30 June 2026, local residents, businesses, landowners, organisations and community groups provided feedback on the project.

Hope Moor Wind Farm has the potential to generate around 150MW of clean, home-grown electricity, enough to power around 135,000* homes and businesses. At a time of rising energy costs, growing energy demand and increasing pressure on the climate and nature, the project could make an important contribution to the UK's future energy needs while delivering lasting value for local communities.

We are now reviewing the feedback we received alongside environmental surveys, technical assessments and ongoing design work. Together, these considerations will help inform the next stage of project development.

In this leaflet, we summarise the feedback we received, highlight the key issues raised and explain the next steps for the project.



Eight public
information events



One
online webinar



501 event
attendees



590 responses
received



2174 leaflets sent
to properties around
the project area



19.3k views
of social media
advertising



160k impressions
via digital newspaper
advertising

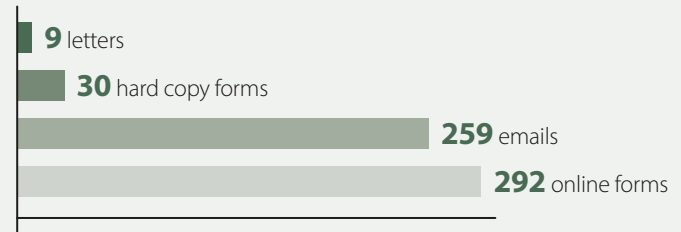


1760
website users



7 print
adverts in local
newspapers

**Of the 590
responses,
we received...**



*The estimated generating capacity and equivalent number of homes and businesses supplied are based on the Scoping design and may change as the project develops.



What you told us

The feedback we received reflected a wide range of views and provided valuable local insight. To help us understand the issues raised, comments were grouped into themes. The topics mentioned most frequently were:

- **Landscape and views** – including the appearance of the wind farm within the landscape and its effect on local views.
- **Local communities** – including impacts on local people, villages and community life.
- **Wildlife and nature** – including potential effects on habitats, biodiversity and protected species.
- **Construction and disruption** – including construction traffic, road safety, noise and temporary impacts during construction.
- **Peat, soils and ground conditions** – including concerns about peatland, drainage and ground stability.
- **Project design and environmental improvements** – including suggestions for mitigation measures, environmental enhancements and changes to the proposed design.

Feedback also covered a range of other topics, including the consultation process, the water environment, cultural heritage and archaeology, planning and energy policy, health and wellbeing, land use, grid connections, climate change and carbon emissions, aviation and telecommunications, and the long-term operation of the wind farm.

What happens next

We're now reviewing the feedback received alongside on-the-ground environmental surveys, technical assessments and ongoing design work.

This work will help us refine our proposals and develop a project that can make a meaningful contribution to the UK's future energy needs while reflecting local priorities and considering the environment.

We remain committed to shaping Hope Moor Wind Farm with the people who know this area best. As the project develops, we will continue to engage with local communities and stakeholders, sharing updates and listening to feedback before holding a second stage of consultation in early 2027 on our updated proposals.

At that stage, we'll share more information about the project, its potential effects and the measures we are proposing to avoid, reduce or mitigate them. We'll also explain how feedback received during stage one consultation has influenced the evolution of our proposals.



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