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Nicola Shaw (Parish Clerk)  
Hurn Parish Council

Your Ref:

By email

Our Ref: EN010024

Date: 8 May 2014

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Dear Ms Shaw

## **Planning Act 2008 (as amended)**

### **Application by Navitus Bay Development Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Navitus Bay Wind Park**

Thank you for your letter dated 22 April 2014.

The Secretary of State has today accepted the Navitus Bay Wind Park application for examination in accordance with s55 of the PA 2008. In reaching this decision, the Secretary of State has:

- in respect of s55(3)(e) of the PA 2008, had regard to the matters set out in s55(4) of the PA 2008, and concluded that the applicant has complied with Chapter 2 of Part 5 of the PA 2008; and
- in respect of s55(3)(f) of the PA 2008, had regard to the extent to which those matters set out in s55(5A) of the PA 2008 have either been complied with or followed, and concluded that the application (including accompaniments) is of a satisfactory standard.

I am aware that this application is of great interest to the Parish Council and I have received correspondence from you and I have received correspondence from other organisations and individuals during the pre-application and acceptance period. The issues of concern that you have raised have been addressed in the completed s55 checklist that details the Planning Inspectorate's consideration of whether or not to accept the application. It can be viewed at:

<http://infrastructure.planningportal.gov.uk/Document/2453941>

Christchurch District Council sent the Planning Inspectorate a copy of your letter as part of their representation into the adequacy of consultation undertaken. To the extent that they fall within our competence, we have addressed these concerns in part

2.2 of the s55 checklist.

Some of the issues you raise in your letter appear to relate to the merits of the application and not the acceptance stage. The Secretary of State is of the view that the application (including accompaniments) is of a standard he considers satisfactory to be accepted for examination. Issues related to the merits of the application will be considered during examination of the application.

The Planning Inspectorate aims to conduct a fair, open and impartial examination on behalf of the Secretary of State, in which all issues that are important and relevant will be explored. Any party or individual may participate in this examination by lodging a relevant representation at the appropriate time; thereafter they will be considered an interested party to the examination. The Planning Inspectorate has produced Advice note eight to aid participation in the Planning Act 2008 process, I hope that this will be of use to you. It can be viewed at:

<http://infrastructure.planningportal.gov.uk/legislation-and-advice/advice-notes/>

Yours sincerely

*Jackie Anderson*

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Case Manager

Advice may be given about applying for an order granting development consent or making representations about an application (or a proposed application). This communication does not however constitute legal advice upon which you can rely and you should obtain your own legal advice and professional advice as required.

A record of the advice which is provided will be recorded on the Planning Inspectorate website together with the name of the person or organisation who asked for the advice. The privacy of any other personal information will be protected in accordance with our Information Charter which you should view before sending information to the Planning Inspectorate.