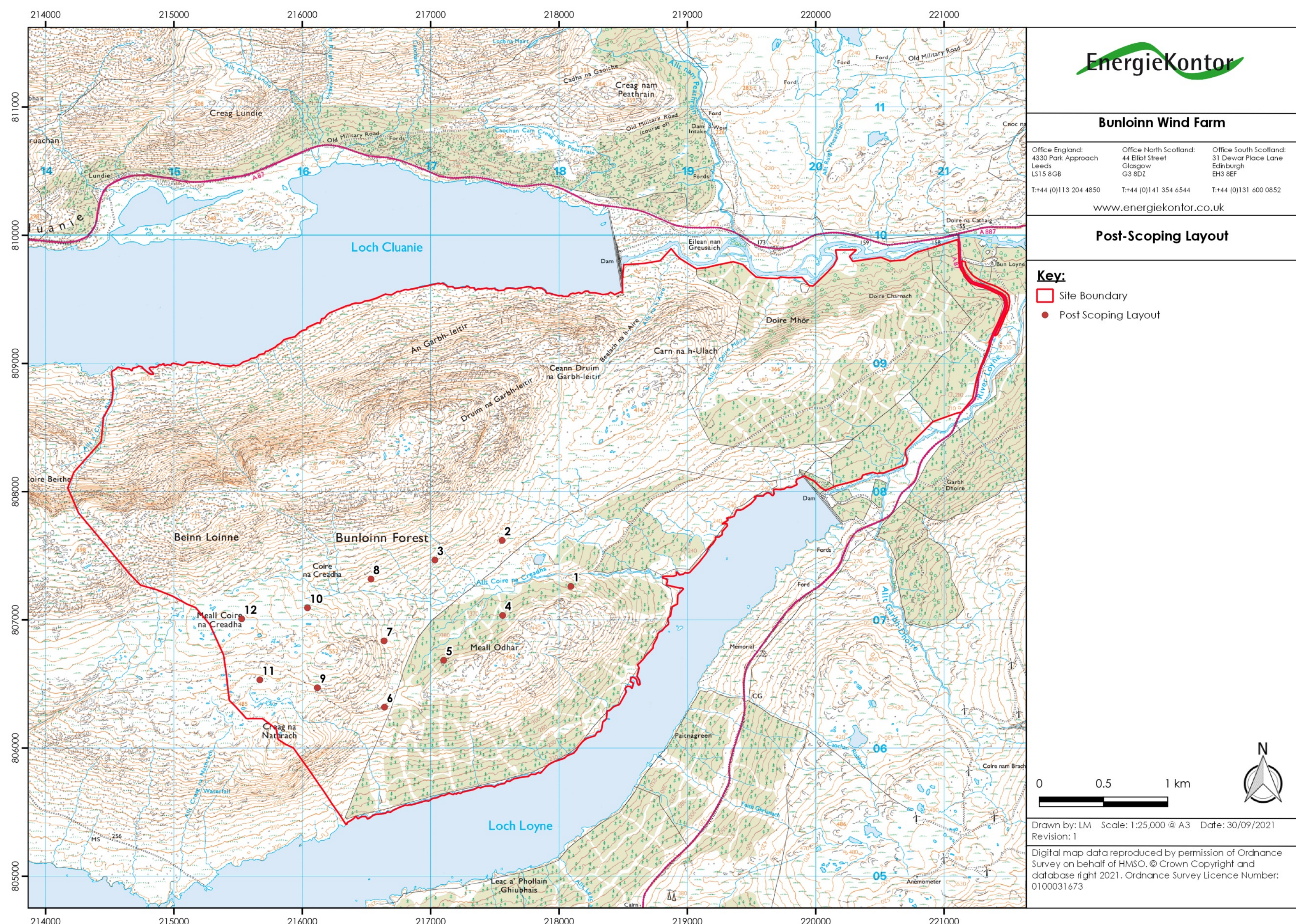


>> The Proposed Development

BUNLOINN WIND FARM

The proposal is for the development of a wind farm located approximately 14.5km north-west of Invergarry and 13km south-west of the hamlet of Dalchriechart.



- The proposed development has been scaled down from 18 turbines to 12 turbines due to further site investigation and changes to the turbine proportions which now have shorter hub heights and longer blades.
- The turbines have varying tip heights of up to 200m and 230m. These heights are in line with current wind farm technology, economics and similar applications throughout the Highlands.
- Based on the current layout the installed capacity of the wind farm would be up to 79.2MW. Community benefit will reflect the Scottish Government guidance, currently set a £5,000 per MW per annum and index linked for the lifetime of the development.
- Using key viewpoints within the wider landscape, we have designed the site to reduce landscape impacts upon the A87, A887, Wild Land Areas and settlements as far as possible.
- The wind farm includes associated infrastructure including turbine foundations, crane pads, tracks, substation and control building, temporary construction compound, on-site underground cables, on-site storage and new/upgraded vehicular access from the public highway.

CONSTRAINTS AND DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

A number of constraints have been taken into account during the planning and development of the proposed development. These include but are not limited to:

- The landscape, and the visual appearance of the area, including impacts (or avoidance of) upon surrounding Wild Land Areas, National Scenic Areas (e.g Glen Affric NSA) and views from the A87/A887;
- Ecology and ornithology such as protected species, habitat and notable ornithology;
- Peat and vegetation habitats;
- Cultural heritage assets such as Scheduled Monuments (e.g. Fort Augustus - Bernera Military Road);
- Forestry and its long term management;
- Recreational and tourism assets;
- Cumulative wind farm developments within the area.