



LOCAL RESIDENTS SURVEY NOVEMBER 2009 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In November 2009, Statkraft Wind UK Ltd canvassed the views of 1,339 households within the Llanfihangel-ar-Arth electoral division of Carmarthenshire County Council on a wide range of issues relating to renewable energy and their Alltwalis wind farm.

This document provides a summary of the key findings. It does not discuss answers relating to community benefits, communication and community relations issues. These will be used internally to inform the way that Statkraft work with this community in the future, and also to improve Statkraft's working methods for other renewables projects across the UK.

OVERALL RESPONSE

224 questionnaires were returned before the deadline; 7 were invalidated having given no address details or an address outside the survey area. The remaining 217 surveys were analysed, giving a response rate of 16%. 12 surveys (6%) were returned in Welsh.

OPINIONS ON RENEWABLE ENERGY

- 79% of respondents agreed that climate change is the major environmental problem facing the planet.
- 82% of respondents are supporters of renewable energy to combat climate change
- 71% of respondents support wind power
- 67% of respondents are aware of WAGs policy to identify suitable areas for onshore wind farms and 45% of respondents agree with them.
- 33% of respondents think that wind farms should ONLY be located offshore

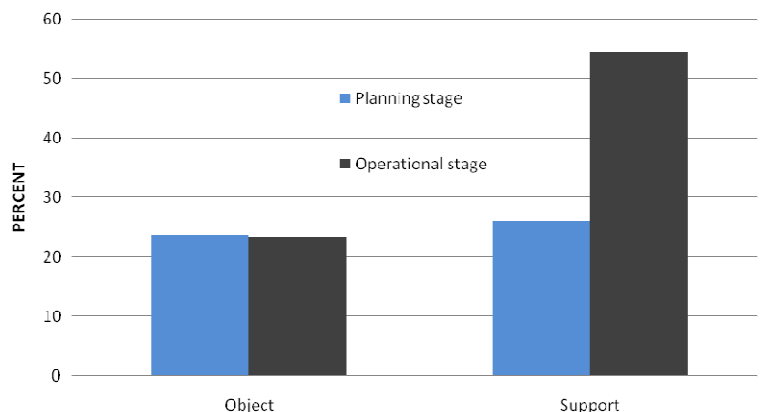
OPINIONS ON ALLTWALIS

In regards to the planning application:

- 48 respondents objected to the planning application
- 53 respondents supported the application
- 102 respondents made no comment on the application

Now the wind farm is starting to operate:

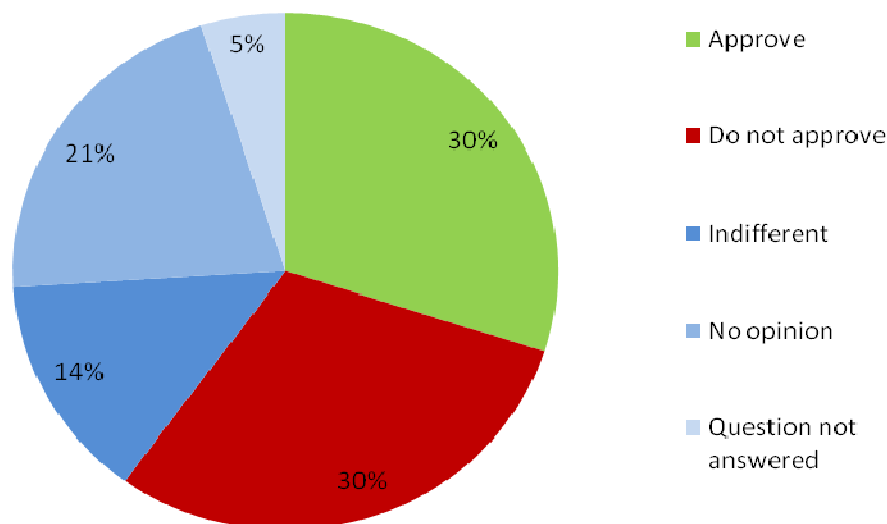
- 50 respondents object to the wind farm
- 116 respondents support the wind farm
- 47 respondents said they felt indifferent to the wind farm



PROJECT NAME

87 respondents - 40% - expressed no polarised or strong opinion (that is were indifferent, had no opinion or did not answer the question) over the name of the wind farm.

64/216 responses approved (30%), and 65/216 (30%) did not approve of the name 'Alltwalis Wind Farm'.



Of the responses, one respondent invalidated the response by ticking two answers, in this instance making the total responses figure 216.

A SAMPLE OF WRITTEN COMMENTS

Reasons for objecting to the wind farm:

Disfiguring the landscape.

Wind power is a total waste of money and resources.

It is proven fact that the turbines kill birds.

Wind power is a con. What happens when there is no wind and the power stations are gone?

Reasons for supporting the wind farm:

I understand the need for alternative energy providers and consider turbines beautiful not ghastly.

You can never have enough clean energy.

I see wind turbines as a fantastic burgeoning development which we must embrace.

Moral reasons, do we have the right to refuse hope for the next generation because of selfishness?

***Statkraft Wind UK would like to thank everyone who participated in the survey.
The winner of the prize draw lives in Llanllwni and chose the mountain bike.***

Percentage figures have been rounded to the nearest integer.