

# Petitioner submission of 24 September 2023

## PE1864/XXXXX: Increase the ability of communities to influence planning decisions for onshore windfarms

A [new deal](#) between the Onshore Wind Industry and the Scottish Government was signed on 21 September 2023 setting out how both parties will work together to deliver onshore wind farms with greater speed.

RenewableUK is the trade association for wind power, wave power and tidal power industries in the United Kingdom.

[Commenting on the deal](#), RenewableUK's Head of Onshore Wind James Robottom said:

*“The Scottish Onshore Wind Sector Deal is an excellent blueprint which could be replicated throughout the UK, to drive down electricity bills and boost our energy security. A well-resourced and efficient planning system is needed in every part of the UK to enable new projects to go ahead **where they have local support.**”*

The Onshore Wind Industry obviously agrees that community support is required before planning permission can be granted for an onshore wind farm. In our view, this now leaves the Scottish Government as the only consultee which has not responded favourably to this Petition.

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