

We want to hear your views!

Our consultation period will run from **Tuesday 19th August 2025**, until **Tuesday 30th September 2025**. Please submit any comments to us by midnight on 30th September 2025. Following this date, the information will remain accessible online and available to download.

Please find details below on how to get in touch with us and find out more:



Visit the website:

http://www.spenergynetworks.co.uk/pages/millmoor_rig_wind_farm_connection.aspx



Complete the online feedback form:

<https://forms.office.com/e/bRg92IzwMJ>



Email us: MillmoorRigProject@spenergynetworks.co.uk



Send us a letter: Millmoor Rig Wind Farm Project, Land and Planning, SP Energy Networks, 55 Fullarton Road, Cambuslang G12 8FA.



Attend a public exhibition:

The exhibition will be held at the following locations and times:

Tuesday, 26th August 2025, between 2.30pm to 7.00pm.

Hawick Town Hall, Cross Wynd, Hawick TD9 9EF

Wednesday, 27th August 2025, between 2.30pm to 7.00pm.

Southdean Community Hall, Southdean, Hawick, Roxburghshire TD9 8TH

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What happens next?

Your comments will be reviewed and carefully considered in any modifications to the preferred route. Once the preferred route is confirmed, various route alignment options within the preferred route will be analysed, and a preferred route alignment will be finalised. This will be the subject of a Section 37 application under the Electricity Act (1989) to the Scottish Government's Energy Consents Unit. The comments received in this consultation will also be collated into a report, which will be made publicly available on SP Energy Networks' website.

Screening



Detailed Design



Second Round of Consultation

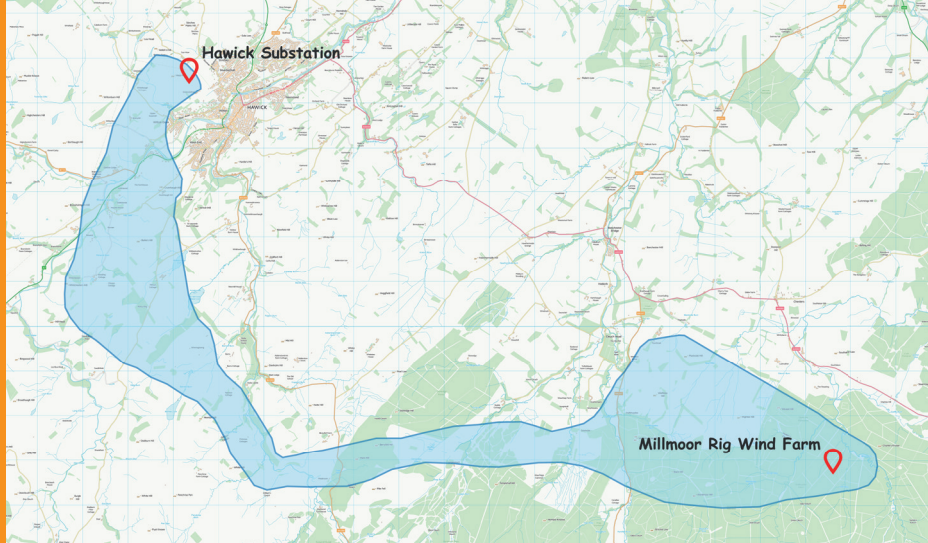


S37 Submission

The Millmoor Rig Wind Farm Overhead Line (OHL) Connection project involves the installation of a 132 kV overhead line, supported on wood poles. This will connect the wind farm to the Hawick 132kV substation in the Scottish Borders council area.

SP Energy Networks (SPEN) has a legal duty to keep its network up-to-date to safeguard electricity supplies. SPEN also has a duty to provide a connection for the new generation to the wider electricity transmission network.

The last day for submitting feedback is 30th September 2025.



Our Preferred Route

SPEN have been working with independent environmental consultants to identify options for potential routes for the proposed overhead line.

Our objective is to identify a route for the overhead line which meets the technical requirements of the electricity system, which is economically viable and causes, on balance, the least disturbance to the environment and the people who live, work and enjoy recreation in it.

SPEN are committed to engaging with stakeholders, including local communities, through the consultation process, and your feedback will be used to review the routeing findings and inform the next steps.

What will the OHL look like?

The proposed OHL will be supported by trident wood poles with galvanised steelwork cross arms, supporting aluminium conductors (wires) on insulators. These are suitable for supporting a single circuit line operating at 132kV.

Wood poles are dark brown in colour when newly constructed, and weather over the years to a light grey. They have a standard height above ground of approximately 15m, but these can be increased or reduced as required,

where circumstances dictate e.g. over elevated land, structures or features.

The distance between wood poles will average between 80m and 120m, but can be increased if there is a requirement to span a larger distance due to the presence of a feature in the landscape, such as a river or a loch.

The precise pole configuration, height and span will be determined following a detailed review of the engineering and technical requirements for the connection.

What we would like your views on

As part of the consultation, we would like your views on:

1. The preferred route for the Millmoor Rig Windfarm Overhead line connection project; and
2. Any issues, suggestions or feedback you would like us to consider. We would particularly like to hear your views on your local area, for example, areas you use for recreation, local environmental features you would like us to consider, and any plans you may have to build in proximity to the works.

More information about the process we have followed to identify, appraise and select the preferred route can be found on the project website:

www.spenergynetworks.co.uk/pages/millmoor_rig_wind_farm_connection.aspx

Please note that comments at this stage are informal comments to SPEN and are made to allow SPEN to determine whether changes to the preferred route are necessary. An opportunity to comment formally to the Scottish Government Energy Consents Unit will follow at a later stage in the process, following submission of the Section 37 application.