

EIA Screening Statement

- 1.1.1 The Applicant (Clean Earth Energy Ltd.) is seeking planning permission from Cornwall Council for full planning permission to develop a single wind turbine, up to 135m tip height, on land at Higher Biscovillack Farm, Greensplat, St Austell, PL26 8XY.
- 1.1.2 Wind turbines are industrial installations for the production of electricity and therefore fall under category 3a of schedule 2 of the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017.
- 1.1.3 Schedule 2 of the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 requires developments that may have a significant impact on the environment to be screened by the Local Planning Authority (LPA) prior to application, in order to assess whether there is a need for an Environmental Impact Assessment.
- 1.1.4 Prior to preparing the planning application, The Applicant engaged in a confidential pre-application process with the LPA to discuss the proposed development in principle, identify potential environmental sensitivities, and seek advice on the appropriate planning and regulatory requirements. Following this pre-application engagement, The Applicant elected to take a precautionary approach to environmental assessment and progress the proposals as EIA developments. Accordingly, it was agreed with the Cornwall Council that a formal screening opinion for the proposed development would not be required.
- 1.1.5 The application has therefore been prepared as a full EIA development, incorporating comprehensive environmental assessments across all relevant topics to ensure that the potential impacts of the proposals are fully identified and addressed.