

Press Release

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Title: FINAL TURBINE COMPLETED AT LANDMARK WIND FARM

The last blade on the final turbine at Little Cheyne Court was lifted into place on Saturday, 20 September at 10am.

The milestone marks the end of large scale construction at the 26-turbine wind farm, which is being developed by npower renewables¹ on Romney Marsh near the Kent/Sussex border.

“We are delighted to have reached this stage in the project,” said Project Manager Martin Kelly, “Constructing a wind farm of this size is a complex task and despite some strong winds – great when the wind farm is operational but a problem when you are lifting 43m long blades! – we have managed to complete work almost exactly as scheduled.

“We will now begin getting the turbines ready to actually start producing clean electricity, using the power of the wind. Once everything is complete, the wind farm will meet the needs of some 33,000 homes².

“The next stage is to start commissioning the turbines which will commence in early October, after which people will start seeing the blades turning properly for the first time.”

Electricity from Little Cheyne Court will be fed into the National Grid via a substation at Appledore and all work on site is expected to be finished by spring 2009. The 26 turbines at the wind farm will have a combined capacity of 59.8 megawatts.

Further information about Little Cheyne Court can be found at www.npower-renewables.com/littlecheynecourt. To get in touch with npower renewables, please call the community phone line on 08000 193243, or email lcc@npower-renewables.com.

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Editor's notes

1. npower renewables is one of the UK's leading renewable energy developers and operators, committed to developing and operating wind farms and hydro plant to produce sustainable and environmentally-friendly electricity. The company operates 17 hydroelectric power projects and 19 wind farms in the UK, including the country's first major offshore wind farm, North Hoyle. npower renewables is also working with marine energy technology partners to deliver new wave and tidal stream power projects in the UK. Through our existing projects and those in development, we are working in close partnership with communities and companies throughout the UK. As Government policy drives the UK towards a target of supplying 10% of electricity from renewables by 2010, and 15% by 2015, we will be at the forefront of realising this aim.

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2. Energy predicted to be generated by the proposal is derived using wind speeds monitored in the local area and correlating to a Met. Office station providing longer term data. This enables a calculation to be made to estimate the average annual energy production for the site based on 26 turbines each of rated capacity 2.3MW. The energy capture predicted and hence derived homes equivalent or emissions savings figures may change as further data are gathered.

Equivalent homes supplied is based on an annual electricity consumption per home of 4,700 kWh, which is derived from a total UK domestic electricity consumption of 117.589 terawatt-hours (TWh) (The Digest of UK Energy Statistics 2005) and 25.2 million UK households (Mid-year Household Estimates published in 2004 by the Office for National Statistics).