

Fife Council

PLANNING APPLICATION

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 AND RELATED LEGISLATION

The application listed in the schedule below may be inspected during normal office hours at the Area Planning Service Office at the undernoted location.

Anyone wishing to make representations should do so, in writing to the Area Planning Manager (West Fife), 3 New Row, Dunfermline, Fife KY12 7NN.

SCHEDULE

Ref No	Site Address	Reason for Advert	Description of Development
01/00684/ WLBC	Abbey House Culross	Listed Building Consent Application 21 days	Listed Building Consent application for a single storey extension and alterations to the dwellinghouse

Sandy Cook, Area Planning Manager (West)
Fife Council, 3 New Row, Dunfermline, Fife KY12 7NN (1601/93)

South Ayrshire Council

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997

Notice is hereby given that application is being made to South Ayrshire Council by the undernoted for permission in respect of the properties named.

Copies of the applications and plans may be inspected at the office of the Head of Planning and Economic Development, 3rd Floor, Burns House, Burns Statue Square, Ayr.
5th April 2001

PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND BUILDINGS IN CONSERVATION AREAS) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 1987

Any person who wishes to make representations about the application should do so in writing to the Head of Planning and Economic Development, Burns House, Burns Statue Square, Ayr KA7 1UT, within twenty-one days of the date of this advertisement.

Listed Building in Conservation Area
01/00314/LBC Alterations and extension to garage.
Mr. J. Murdoch
2 Wheatfield Road
Ayr

01/00271/LBC Erection of illuminated signage.
Sardar Hotels
26a Wellington Square
Ayr

Ian McLarty, Head of Planning (1601/45)

Pipelines

PETROLEUM ACT 1998

NOTICE OF THE ISSUE OF A SUBMARINE

PIPE-LINE WORKS AUTHORISATION

The Secretary of State for Trade and Industry hereby gives notice that he has decided to issue, and in consequence has issued, a works authorisation to be held by BP Exploration Operating Company Limited whose address is Britannic House, 1 Finsbury Circus, London, EC2M 7BA for the construction of a pipeline system from the Foinaven and Schiehallion fields to the Magnus Platform via the Sullom Voe Terminal.

Except with the consent of the Secretary of State, the pipelines shall only be used to convey Dry Gas.

The pipe-lines may be used by the holder and with the holder's agreement, and with the consent of the Secretary of State, by other persons.

Britoil PLC has been appointed operator of pipe-lines PL1759-PL1761. BP Exploration Operating Company Limited, has been appointed operator of pipe-line PL 1762.

Jonathan Thomas, Field Development Manager
OG Aberdeen (1608/6)

OFFSHORE PETROLEUM PRODUCTION AND PIPELINES (ASSESSMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS)

REGULATION 1999

Licence P.953 - Licence having effect under the Petroleum Act 1998 BLOCK 132/6

Pursuant to regulation 5(8) of above Regulations, the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry gives notice that, being content that the requirements of the above Regulations have been satisfied, he has, pursuant to Licence P.953 granted consent to Conoco (UK) Limited to the drilling of an exploration well in block 132/6. The consent for well 132/6-A took effect from 26th March 2001.

Conoco (U.K.) Ltd (CUKL) proposes to drill a single exploration well in their Tranche 21 licence area, located in the Atlantic waters to the west of the Hebrides. The well will be located within a 2km radius of position 56°45'46"N. 09°50'38"W, in a water depth of about 1.920 metres, some 135 km from nearest land.

CUKL plans to start drilling the well in May 2001. After considering various drilling options, because of the deep water location CUKL proposes employing a dynamically positioned *ultra deep water drillship*, using water-based muds for all hole sections.

The ES presents a comprehensive review of available environmental information of this deep water region west of the Hebrides.

On completion of drilling, the well will be evaluated and then either suspended or abandoned. No well testing activities will be undertaken.

If the well is to be abandoned this will involve cutting the well casings to a minimum depth of c.3 metres below the seabed, followed by debris clearance survey.

Four activities were identified as presenting the risk of potential impact and were assessed in more detail in the ES:

- discharge of drilling mud and cuttings;
- atmospheric emissions from power generation;
- noise associated with drilling operations;
- accidental spillage of hydrocarbons;

With reference to the discharge of drilling mud and cuttings the mud chemicals fall mainly into HOCNS Group E, with some 84% of the total mud chemical usage being PLONOR List Substances. Cuttings from the two top hole sections will be deposited immediately adjacent to the well, resulting in a small (25-40 metre) cuttings pile (average thickness of about 30mm). Cuttings dispersion modelling suggests rapid dispersion in the deep waters, resulting in no expected impact beyond the immediate top-hole cuttings pile.

Atmospheric emissions are expected to be within routine drilling rig operational standards, with estimated emissions presented in the ES for drilling and support operations.

The ES discusses noise generation and potential impacts (section 6.5) and places emphasis on the short-term nature of the drilling operation. No significant impact was identified.

The ES identifies that the most likely spill risk arises from bunkering but states that spills of a light distillate fuel oil would disperse extremely rapidly with 'negligible' environmental impact. In addressing the risk of a blow-out, CUKL cites low probability based on drilling experience to date on the UKCS.

After a request by DTI, Conoco provided more adequate information regarding the basis to the selection of the drill-ship and its assessment of potential risks from the use of the vessel for drilling well 132/06-A, particularly in relation to oil spill risk.

No significant impact was identified from the drilling of this well. Both JNCC and FRS agree. The drilling of this well is unlikely to impact any future potential SAC.

(1608/104)