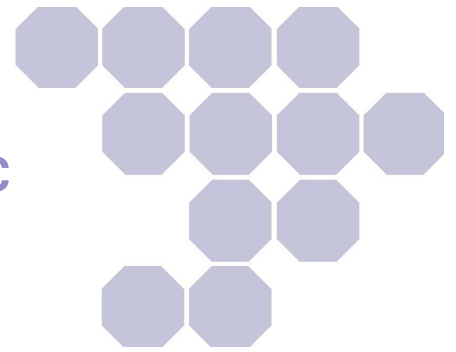
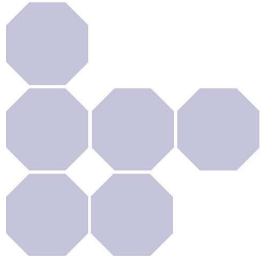
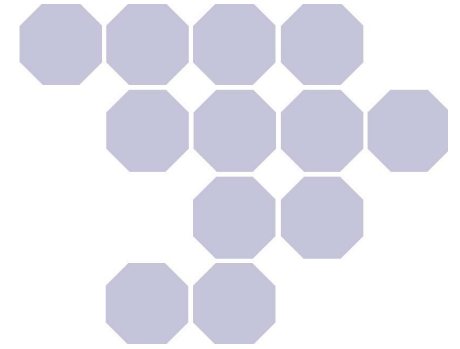


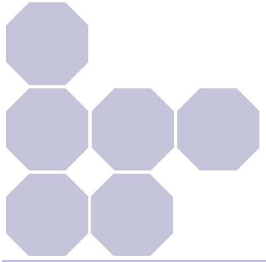
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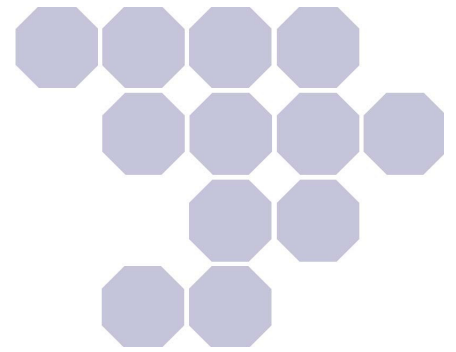


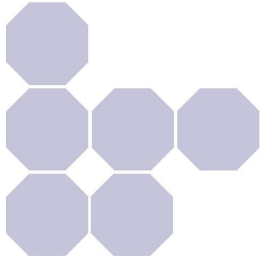
Everyday features: these can partially mask the developments.



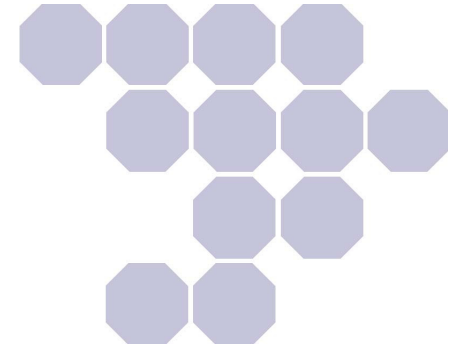


Mullaghareirks upland heath and bog SPA area upland peat habitats





Close up of heath land vegetation





Between the Devil and the deep blue sea



Overall picture in uplands, wind energy not in a vacuum

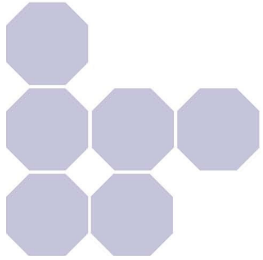
Need to consider all land uses e.g. new flooding guidelines.

Designations have altered the policy back ground-SPAs

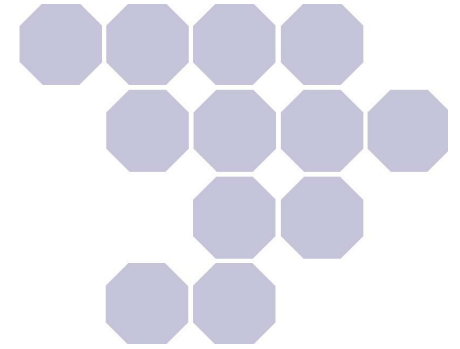
Prior to designation most turbines have been granted here.

A lot happening in a relatively small area.





Other Issues.



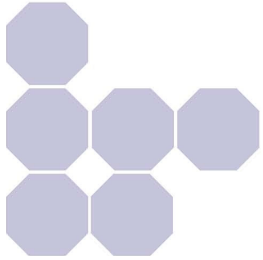
Sensitive nature of peat lands

Derrybrien, being an extreme case, but measures need to be included in DC guidelines. Mitigation measures, timing of works.

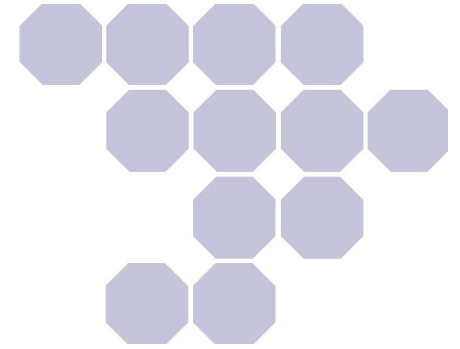
Adequacy of guidelines- are wind energy guidance outdated?

No guidance for other technologies –e.g. PAN 45 in UK.





Conclusions



Promote renewable energy in areas where there is less conflict

Move away from designated areas.

Need to look at renewable technologies as a whole

Overlay this on Grid Infrastructure.

For an Agricultural County -bio-mass can play a bigger role.

