

**Government Survey into Noise from Wind Turbines**  
(REF: NANR233)

<b>Name of wind farm</b>	Cruach Mhor ( B )				
<b>How many complaints were received about this wind farm?</b>	The complaints were from one individuals property they made 10 complaints				
<b>In what year was each complaint made?</b> (if more than one complaint please list the years)	2005				
<b>Please provide a detailed description of the noise complaint(s):</b> (eg, time of day, wind conditions, description of noise, any other factors that might have contributed to the complaint)	The complaint related to the noise from the wind turbine and in particular the swishing and higher frequencies. They did also make reference to the "throbbing" sounds.				
THIS INFORMATION IS VERY USEFUL SO PLEASE USE AS MUCH SPACE AS NECESSARY. IF THERE WAS MORE THAN ONE COMPLAINT AND THE COMPLAINTS HAD DIFFERENT CAUSES PLEASE COMPLETE A SEPARATE TABLE FOR THE DIFFERENT TYPES OF COMPLAINT.					
<b>Do any of the following terms describe the noise that was complained about at this wind farm site? (Please delete Yes or No as applies)</b>					
Swish	YES	Throbbing	YES	'train that never gets there'	NO
Swoosh	NO	Thudding	NO		
Ghostly Noises	NO	Thumping	NO	'like motion sickness'	NO
Wooh	NO	Pulsating	YES	Whistling	NO
Wooh		Whooshing	YES	Rhythmical Beat	YES
Beating	YES	Distant Helicopter	NO		
Lapping	YES	Rumbling	NO	Other (please list):	YES / NO
Grinding	NO				

<b>Did you visit the home of the complainant?</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>Did you visit the wind farm site?</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>Did you hear the noise that was being complained about?</b>	<b>NO</b>
<b>Briefly describe the investigation that took place.</b>	Noise monitoring work was undertaken by the Council and the operator to establish the extent of the noise problem. This did not identify any breaches of the planning conditions and were not at levels which constituted a nuisance under the Environmental Protection Act 1990
<b>Was the wind farm judged to be causing a noise nuisance?</b>	<b>NO</b>
<b>What action, if any, was taken?</b>	No formal action but ongoing discussions with complainant and site operator
<b>This project is about Amplitude Modulation of Aerodynamic Noise (AM) which can be described as 'Wind turbine blade noise which is modulated at blade passage frequency (typically once per second) with a sharper attack and a more clearly defined character than usual blade swoosh. It is sometimes described as being like a distant train or distant piling operations'. Does the noise from this wind farm conform to this description?</b>	<b>DON'T KNOW</b>