

- Stage 7: Determination of the magnitude of the impacts including consideration of their duration and any potential in-combination/cumulative effects;
- Stage 8: Determination of the significance of the resulting effects based on the interaction between the impact magnitude / duration and the value of the interests (receptors) affected;
- Stage 9: Identification and assessment of measures to prevent, reduce and where possible offset significant adverse effects; and
- Stage 10: Determination of the residual effect significance once the measures to prevent, reduce and where possible offset significant adverse effects have been taken into account.

6.5 The Approach to EIA

6.5.1 The approach to the EIA has followed the requirements of the EIA Regulations. Schedule 4 Part 1 of the Regulations sets out the information that must be included in the ES, which is summarised in Table 6.1. This also identifies where the corresponding information can be found in the ES.

Table 6.1: Information Required by The Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations in relation to the Relevant Volume/Chapter of the Environmental Statement

Required information (the EIA Regulations Schedule 4 Part 1)	Relevant Volume/Chapter of Environmental Statement
1. A description of the development.	A description of the development proposals and characteristics is presented in Chapter 5, Volume 1.
2. An outline of the main alternatives considered and an indication of the main reasons for the chosen scheme.	A summary of development alternatives considered is included in Chapter 2, Section 2.11 of Volume 1.
3. A description of the aspects of the environment likely to be affected by the development, including, in particular, population, flora, fauna, soil, water, air, climatic factors, material assets, including the architectural and archaeological heritage, landscape and the inter-relationship between the above factors.	The environmental context and unique location within which the proposal for An Camas Mòr has been progressed is set out in Chapter 4. The individual environmental effects of the proposals are reported in summary form in Chapter 7 and in detail in the Technical Appendices (Volume 2). Effects on population are discussed in relation to visual impacts, traffic, noise and air quality. Material assets are addressed through landscape, geology and soils, hydrology and cultural heritage effects.
4. A description of the likely significant effects of the development on the environment, which should cover the direct effects and any indirect, secondary,	The likely significant effects of the development are reported before and after (residual effects) the measures envisaged to prevent, reduce and where possible

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<p>cumulative, short, medium and long-term, permanent and temporary, positive and negative effects of the development, resulting from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the existence of the development (b) the use of natural resources (c) the emission of pollutants, the creation of nuisances and the elimination of waste 	<p>offset any significant adverse effects, have been applied. These are summarised in Chapter 7, Volume 1 and detailed in the Technical Appendices (Volume 2).</p> <p>Likely effects have been assessed, as relevant to each individual effect, in relation to the project's construction and permanent use of the land. The geographical level of importance, nature and duration of effects are reported.</p> <p>Particular assessment methods are discussed in each detailed assessment.</p>
<p>5. A description of the measures envisaged to prevent, reduce and where possible offset any significant adverse effects on the environment.</p>	<p>The measures are listed separately in Chapter 8, Volume 1 and repeated in each detailed assessment in the Technical Appendices.</p>
<p>6. A Non-Technical Summary of the information provided under paragraphs 1 to 5 above.</p>	<p>A Non-Technical Summary (NTS) is included in Volume 1 and is available separately.</p>
<p>7. An indication of any difficulties (technical deficiencies or lack of know-how) encountered by the applicant in compiling the required information.</p>	<p>Assumptions, limitations or other areas of uncertainty, where they have been identified, are reported in the relevant detailed Technical Appendices.</p>

6.6 The Detailed EIA Process

Introduction

6.6.1 The EIA process involves the application of specific criteria for specific subject areas to evaluate and rank features (receptors) and impacts. However, because of the complexities involved the use of experienced professional judgement in the valuation of features and in the determination of impact magnitude and effect significance is one of the most important elements of the process.