



Energetica needs the AWPR

One of the biggest threats to exploiting the full potential of Energetica is the continual delay to the AWPR.

Senior Court of Session judge Lord Tyre cheered businesses and residents across the North East of Scotland when he rejected legal challenges against the proposed Aberdeen Western Peripheral Route in his verdict announced in early August.

Immediate progress on development of the route has unfortunately not been possible as William Walton, chairman of Road Sense, raised an appeal against that decision on September 1, within the Inner Court of the House of Session.

A hearing is due to take place in December, at which Mr Walton's appeal will be considered.

In the meantime, the uncertainty over the much-needed transport infrastructure is a major constraint to Energetica's inward investment proposition.

Sara Budge, Energetica project director said: "The AWPR is a major piece of road infrastructure that will connect all the elements within the corridor. Without it, the realisation of our ambition is severely hampered. Its delay threatens the £750 million potential investment and therefore impacts on our future prosperity and ability to create new and safe-guard existing jobs."