

National Infrastructure Planning Temple Quay House 2 The Square Bristol BS1 6PN

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Reference: Rule 8 letters for the East Anglia ONE North Offshore Windfarm and East Anglia TWO Offshore Windfarm projects – Woodland Trust Examination Question

Dear Rynd Smith,

The Woodland Trust would like to take the opportunity to respond to the question posed by the Planning Inspectorate in relation to the East Anglia ONE North and East Anglia TWO Offshore Windfarm Development Consent Order applications. The Trust's response is as follows:

1.2.77: Can The Woodland Trust confirm that they are content with the Applicant's response in Table 53 in [AS-036]. Can the Applicant confirm if there is an AMS to provide to the Woodland Trust in order for them to assess whether veteran trees will be impacted by proposed works?

The Trust welcomes the applicant's commitment to providing Grove Wood with a 15m buffer zone as per Natural England's Standing Advice. We would however, like to advise that if any public rights of way are to be re-directed within the buffer zone, the root protection areas of the trees forming the ancient woodland boundary should be respected if construction is required.

If you have any questions regarding the Woodland Trust's answer to the above, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

Nicole Hillier Campaigner – Woods under Threat

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