



Development Consent Application: East Anglia ONE North Offshore Wind Farm (Case Ref: EN010077)

Development Consent Application: East Anglia TWO Offshore Wind Farm (Case Ref: EN010078)

Examining Authorities' Note of Unaccompanied Inspections of Sites Undertaken 22 and 23 April 2021 (USI8)

Background

The Examining Authorities (ExAs) undertook their eighth unaccompanied site inspections (USI8) on 22 and 23 April 2021 to support examinations of applications for development consent for the proposed East Anglia ONE North and East Anglia TWO Offshore Wind Farms (the applications).

Inspections were undertaken from publicly accessible land including highways and public rights of way. No access was required to private land, so advance permission to enter land was not required and these inspections could be undertaken on an unaccompanied basis.

The inspections are recorded in this note, the purpose of which is to inform the Applicants, Interested Parties (IPs) and other persons of actions taken by the ExAs. A single note has been produced. It is endorsed with the yellow and blue icon used to identify materially identical documentation in accordance with the ExAs' Procedural Decisions 3 on document management of 23 December 2019¹. Whilst this note has been published to the Examination Libraries for both applications, if it is read in one library, there is no need to read it again in the second library. Previous site inspection notes can also be found in both libraries² on the same basis.

Particulars of the Inspections

The inspections were undertaken by Caroline Jones, a member of the ExAs, supported by Emre Williams from the Planning Inspectorate. The purposes of the inspections were to:

- complete an inspection of Thorpeness, proposed by Save our Sandlings;
- observe land proposed to form parts of the applications' sites onshore; and
- observe recently constructed offshore wind farm transmission system connection points and substations at Bramford.

The inspections were carried out over 2 days.

¹ The ExA's Procedural Decision 3 for [East Anglia ONE North](#) can be seen here at Annex B. The ExA's identical Procedural Decision 3 for [East Anglia TWO](#) can be seen here at Annex B.

² Pre-examination USI1, 2 and 3 notes can be seen in the [East Anglia ONE North](#) library here the Examination period USI4 and USI5 Note can be seen [here](#).

Identical Pre-examination USI1, 2 and 3 notes in the [East Anglia TWO](#) library can be seen here and the Examination period USI4 and USI5 Note can be seen [here](#).



Day 1: 22 April 2021 – The main inspections were undertaken on foot commencing in Thorpeness and following a route requested by Mr Paul Chandler of Save our Sandlings [REP1-319]. Weather conditions were dry and sunny with good visibility. The journey to and from site also enabled Mrs Jones and Mr Williams to observe additional elements of the proposed applications' sites and settings including Friday Street, Marlesford Bridge and the Hundred River.

Day 2: 23 April 2021 – The main inspection included a visit to a recently constructed offshore windfarm transmission system connection points and substations at Bullen Lane, Bramford, to the west of Ipswich. Weather conditions were dry and sunny with good visibility.

A route map for the main inspection on Day 1 is provided at Annex A. For the purpose of the inspection for day 2 please refer to Inspection 2.4 of the Examining Authorities' Note of Unaccompanied Inspection of Sites 2 (USI2) [EV-006]. The access to the substations at Bramford via Bullen Lane from Loraine Way (B1113) was observed during this inspection.



USI8
Key to Plan Notations

..... Walking route taken by the ExAs during USI8

**Thorpeness route requested by
Save our Sandlings**

