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# **East Anglia ONE North and East Anglia TWO Offshore Windfarms**

## **Applicants' Responses to Examining Authority's Written Questions 3**

**Volume 11 – 3.17 Socio Economic  
Effects**

Applicants: East Anglia ONE North Limited and East Anglia TWO Limited

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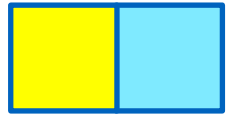
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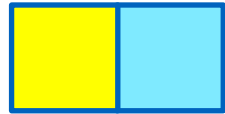
## Glossary of Acronyms

AONB	Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
DMO	Destination Management Organisation
ExA	Examination Authority
ESC	East Suffolk Council
HDD	Horizontal Directional Drilling
SCHAONB	Suffolk Coasts and Heaths Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty

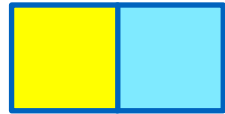


## Glossary of Terminology

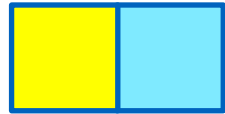
Applicants	East Anglia TWO Limited / East Anglia ONE North Limited
East Anglia ONE North project	The proposed project consisting of up to 67 wind turbines, up to four offshore electrical platforms, up to one construction, operation and maintenance platform, inter-array cables, platform link cables, up to one operational meteorological mast, up to two offshore export cables, fibre optic cables, landfall infrastructure, onshore cables and ducts, onshore substation, and National Grid infrastructure.
East Anglia TWO project	The proposed project consisting of up to 75 wind turbines, up to four offshore electrical platforms, up to one construction, operation and maintenance platform, inter-array cables, platform link cables, up to one operational meteorological mast, up to two offshore export cables, fibre optic cables, landfall infrastructure, onshore cables and ducts, onshore substation, and National Grid infrastructure.
Horizontal directional drilling (HDD)	A method of cable installation where the cable is drilled beneath a feature without the need for trenching.
Landfall	The area (from Mean Low Water Springs) where the offshore export cables would make contact with land, and connect to the onshore cables.
Onshore cable route	This is the construction swathe within the onshore cable corridor which would contain onshore cables as well as temporary ground required for construction which includes cable trenches, haul road and spoil storage areas.



ExA. Question Ref.	Question addressed to	ExA. Question Ref.	ExA. Question	Applicants' Response
<b>3.17 Socio Economic Effects</b>				
3.17.1	Suffolk Coast DMO		<p><b>Suffolk Coast DMO 'The Energy Coast' Report 2019</b></p> <p>The Applicants consider the stimuli used in the above report were used out of context and did not provide adequate information about the projects [REP7-034]. Respond to the above, should you wish to do so.</p>	No response required.
3.17.2	The Applicants, Suffolk County Council, East Suffolk Council, Suffolk Coast DMO and any other interested IPs		<p><b>Tourism Fund</b></p> <p>The ExAs note that the Applicants have committed to providing £150,000 to be paid to the Suffolk Community Foundation to market the area during the construction period of the projects [REP9-041]. The ExAs note that the Applicants do not consider that the Projects will have significant impacts upon visitor perception during construction and direct impacts which could affect visitors already present in the area will be mitigated to not significant levels but that despite this they have committed to the Tourism Fund [REP9-009].</p> <p>Compensation sums that are not secured in the dDCO or accompanying certified documents or in another appropriate and enforceable instrument cannot be accorded weight and may not be able to be taken into account by the ExAs when considering their recommendations.</p> <p>Outline your views on the above statement and proposed fund, including consideration if relevant of how the Fund could assist the area. If the scenario arises that only one</p>	<p>The Applicants' concur that they have committed to a Tourism Fund of £150,000 to be paid to Suffolk Community Foundation, who will administer the fund.</p> <p>The Applicants' agree with the statement that we do not consider there will be significant impacts upon visitor perception during construction and direct impacts, which could affect visitors already present in the area, will be mitigated to not significant levels.</p> <p>The Applicants' agree that the Tourism Fund cannot be accorded weight and may not be taken into account by the ExAs.</p> <p>The Fund has been agreed through discussion with East Suffolk Council (ESC), who in turn received feedback from The Suffolk Coast Destination Management Organisation (DMO). The Fund will deliver a tourism marketing campaign over a three year period during the construction of the Projects.</p>



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		project were to be granted consent, would the Tourism Fund agreement remain the same?	The Applicants' have committed to a Tourism Fund of £150,000 regardless of whether one project, or two projects are granted consent.
3.17.3	Suffolk Energy Action Solutions	<p><b>Traffic and effects on tourism</b></p> <p>Your statement on Roads/Traffic and Tourism [REP8-236] is noted. This has been responded to by the Applicants at Deadline 9 [REP9-014]. In addition, the Applicants also respond to [REP5-113] in their answer to ExQ2.17.9 [REP6-064].</p> <p>Respond to the above responses by the Applicants, should you wish to do so.</p>	No response required.
3.17.4	The Applicants and any Interested Parties	<p><b>Traffic and effects on tourism</b></p> <p>The Applicants response to ExQ2.17.9 states that no IPs have raised the impact of East Anglia ONE on the tourist economy of the Suffolk Coast of the AONB. To the Applicants:</p> <p>a) Provide further information on the anticipated and any quantified effects of East Anglia ONE on the local tourism industry, should you wish to do so. How do the scale of substations, cable route, and landfall location compare to that proposed in these projects in terms of traffic routes and tourist destinations/facilities? To any interested parties:</p> <p>b) Comment on the above, should you wish to do so.</p>	<p>The observation was made to simply highlight that no examples of any adverse effects upon the Suffolk tourism industry during construction of East Anglia ONE were raised by the Councils, the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) Partnership, the DMO or any other party in any representations made during the examination of the Projects.</p> <p>East Anglia ONE construction required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A landfall for two projects (as Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) was undertaken for both East Anglia ONE and East Anglia THREE) within the Suffolk Coasts and Heaths AONB (SCHAONB) and the Heritage Coast;</li> <li>• A 38km cable route for two projects (East Anglia ONE and ducts for East Anglia THREE), with 11km of cabling within the SCHAONB; and</li> </ul>



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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A substation of similar scale to that proposed for the onshore substations;</li> </ul> <p>The East Anglia THREE Environmental statement figures<sup>1</sup> show the location of the onshore works (the order limits for which are identical to those of East Anglia ONE with the exception of some access locations) in relation to tourism assets. <b>Figure 28.8</b> is the most comprehensive, showing the location of Sutton Hoo (one of Suffolk's premier tourist attractions with over 100,000 visitors per year, within the 2.5km cable route buffer) and the SCHAONB. <b>Figure 28.9</b> shows the interaction with other assets such as public rights of way ((including the Suffolk Coast Path) and cycle routes.</p>

<sup>1</sup> East Anglia THREE Ltd (2015) Chapter 28 Socio-economics, Tourism and Recreation Figures [https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/ipc/uploads/projects/EN010056/EN010056-000380-6.2.28%20Volume%202%20Chapter%2028%20Socio%20Economics%20Tourism%20and%20Recreation%20Figures%20\(Fig%2028.1%20-%2028.9\).pdf](https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/ipc/uploads/projects/EN010056/EN010056-000380-6.2.28%20Volume%202%20Chapter%2028%20Socio%20Economics%20Tourism%20and%20Recreation%20Figures%20(Fig%2028.1%20-%2028.9).pdf)