

Norfolk Vanguard Offshore Wind Farm

Consultation Report

Appendix 12.9 Survey Access letter

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Dear [REDACTED]

Norfolk Vanguard Offshore Wind Farm - Survey Access Request

Vattenfall, a Swedish state owned energy company, is currently exploring the potential to build an offshore wind farm located in the North Sea. This could produce up to 1.8GW of electrical energy, enough to power up to 1.3m homes per annum¹.

We sent you a Norfolk Vanguard Newsletter in October, and write to you again now as we believe land owned or occupied by you, in title no NK224913, NK355739 and within the area shown on the enclosed plan may potentially be affected.

The plan shows the onshore ecological survey area to further investigate options where we propose to locate landfall (of cables from the wind farm), cable relay station, underground cables and substation to connect into the National Grid at the existing 400kV National Grid substation near Necton. For more information about the project, please visit <http://norfolkvanguard.vattenfall.co.uk>.

Following a series of open Drop-in exhibitions in October, 2016 – attended by more than 780 local people, and consultation with the Planning Inspectorate and Statutory Consultees, we have been able to refine our search area, as per the plan.

We would now like to carry out ecological surveys to help us develop a more detailed onshore infrastructure plan. These surveys are significant in providing information relating to local biodiversity over a wide preliminary investigation area. Studies of this nature will help us become more aware of ecological constraints at an early stage, so that the development can be designed to limit or avoid harm to protected species such as newts, badgers, reptiles and birds. Information gained will be included in an Environmental Impact Assessment, that is a key component of the consent application for these works.

Specialist ecological surveyors will be instructed to undertake this process, requiring simple non- intrusive pedestrian access to land to take photographs and note species and habitats. **We would therefore be grateful if you could consent to these surveys by completing the attached form and returning it in the self-addressed envelope, or by contacting me on the numbers below or email at vattenfallinnorfolk@consentssolutions.com.** If you do not occupy the land and would prefer the current occupier to be contacted, please could you let us know the details of the best person to contact.

Should you have any questions related to the project or require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me using the details provided above.

Yours sincerely

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Consents Solutions for Norfolk Vanguard

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Enc Survey access consent form
Survey access area plan

Please Note:

The next round of public drop-in events to be held in the area will be between 20th March and 1st April. The purpose of these will be to:

- *Explain in detail how the feedback received to date has helped us focus our investigations,*
- *Respond to other concerns and ideas raised.*
- *Seek views on the proposals and options we are currently investigating*

We shall be informing people living in the area of the location and timing of these events.

¹ *Number of homes equivalent: This is calculated using the most recent statistics from the Department of Energy and Climate Change showing that annual UK average domestic household consumption is 4,115kWh:
<http://www.renewableuk.com/page/UKWEDEexplained>*

SURVEY ACCESS AGREEMENT

Relating to Vattenfall Norfolk Vanguard Offshore Wind Farm

This agreement is made on:

Between:

1) Vattenfall of 1 Tudor Street, London, EC4Y 0AH:

And

2) (Print name(s))

Of

I/We agree to allow Vattenfall and their agents/contractors to access land I/we hold an interest in to:

- Carry out non-intrusive ecological surveys and measurements of property;
- Record all information/photography gathered at the property,

in so far as it is relevant for the purpose of the Norfolk Vanguard Offshore Wind Farm.

This agreement is solely for the purpose of surveys/investigations and not intended by either party to confer any right/interest in the nature of a tenancy or exclusive possession or occupation of said property and gives no propriety interest in the property to Vattenfall.

Please indicate your consent by printing your name(s) and signing below.

Print name(s):

Signed:

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