# Application by Norfolk Vanguard Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Norfolk Vanguard Offshore Wind Farm Project

**Issue Specific Hearing 6:** Environmental Matters

**Date:** 24 April 2019 at 9:30am

**Location:** Blackfriars Hall, The Halls, St

Andrew's Plain, Norwich, NR3 1AU

# **Requested attendees**

The Examining Authority (ExA) would find it helpful if the following parties could attend this hearing. However, the ExA is aware that some of the parties listed have confirmed that they are not able to attend, and also this does not indicate that other parties will not be able to contribute. All Interested Parties are invited to attend and make oral representations on the matters set out in the agenda, subject to the ExA's discretion.

- Norfolk Vanguard Limited (the Applicant)
- Breckland Council
- Broadland District Council
- Eastern Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority (EIFCA)
- Highways England
- Marine Management Organisation (MMO)
- National Federation of Fishermen's Organisations (NFFO)
- Natural England (NE)
- Norfolk County Council
- North Norfolk District Council
- Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB)
- VisNED
- The Wildlife Trusts (TWT)
- Whale and Dolphin Conservation (WDC)

All Interested Parties are invited to attend issue specific hearings but it would assist the running of the hearings if notice could be given to the Inspectorate's Case Team (<a href="MorfolkVanguard@pins.gsi.gov.uk">NorfolkVanguard@pins.gsi.gov.uk</a>) of a wish to participate prior to the hearing.

Each Interested Party is entitled to make oral representations at hearings. However, this is subject to the Examining Authority's (ExA's) power to control hearings.

The hearing venue will be open 30 minutes prior to the start of each hearing to enable a prompt start. Hearings will finish as soon as the ExA deems that all those present have had their say and all matters have been covered.

This agenda is for guidance only. It is not designed to be exclusive or exhaustive. The ExA may add other issues for consideration, may alter the order in which issues are considered and will seek to allocate sufficient time to each issue to allow proper consideration of them. Any lack of discussion of a particular issue at a hearing does not preclude further examination of this issue.

Every effort will be made to ensure that the issues will be discussed on the days that they are scheduled for. Should the consideration of the issues take less time than anticipated, the ExA may conclude the Hearing as soon as all relevant contributions have been made and all questions asked and responded to.

# **Agenda**

- 1. Welcome, introductions, arrangements for the Hearing
- 2. Purpose of the Issue Specific Hearing (ISH)
- 3. Traffic and transport
  - i. Substation Access Clarification Technical Note update
  - ii. Cable Crossing Access Technical Note update
  - iii. A47 sensitive junctions
  - iv. Traffic assessments for links 32, 36 and 41
  - v. Trenchless crossings on A1067 and B1149
  - vi. Link 34, Cawston village and alternative route

### 4. Onshore construction, to include

- Noise and vibration proposed mitigation measures for link 68 and 34, operational noise;
- ii. Air quality link 68 and impact on Old Railway Gatehouse
- iii. Human Health EMFs

### 5. Onshore ecology, to include

- i. Impacts on Broadland SPA/Ramsar site assessment of cropping rotation
- ii. Review of timescales for submission of various changes to O/LEMS and O/CoCP re various matters including sediment management at Wensum crossing; affected hedgerows near Great Paston Barn.

# 6. Offshore ornithology, to include

Update on D6 submissions and any information outstanding;

ii. Habitats Regulations Assessment considerations, including any potential AEOI finding

# 7. Benthic ecology, to include

- Progress on HHW SAC Site Integrity Plan (SIP);
- ii. Habitats Regulations Assessment considerations, including any potential AEOI finding

## 8. Marine Mammals, to include

- i. Mitigation, including update on MMMP and SIP;
- ii. Habitats Regulations Assessment considerations

# 9. Fishing and navigation, to include

- Matters 'not agreed' in most recent Statement of Common Ground with NFFO/VisNED [REP5-010];
- ii. Discussion on potential implications of the DEFRA fisheries management area and EIFCA byelaw recommendation

# 10. Any other matters, including any remaining landscape questions

# 11. Action points arising from the Hearing

# 12. Close of Hearing