



Norfolk Vanguard Offshore Wind Farm Onshore Project Substation Masterplan







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1 ONSHORE PROJECT SUBSTATION MASTERPLAN

1.1 Onshore Project Substation Masterplan Principles

- 1. The Norfolk Vanguard and Norfolk Boreas Design and Access Statements (DAS) (DCO document 8.3; Norfolk Vanguard version 2 submitted 2nd August 2021 and Norfolk Boreas REP14-014) outline the design principles which will be adhered to in developing the detailed design of the onshore project substations for both projects. Building on these principles, under Norfolk Boreas Scenario 1 the design and development of the onshore infrastructure and associated landscaping will be considered holistically for Norfolk Vanguard and Norfolk Boreas Scenario 1 in line with the principles listed below and presented on the Onshore Project Substation Masterplan drawingPB94476-009-017-001.
 - Continued commitment to co-location of onshore project substation infrastructure to keep these developments contained within a localised area.
 - Zoning of the onshore project substation footprint to locate the convertor buildings in the northern zone of the onshore project substation footprints.
 - Strategic approach to landscaping to minimise visual effects, both alone and cumulatively. Each project will have their own planting scheme however they will continue to be designed to work together to enhance landscape character and biodiversity in the local area.
 - Locally specific landscape mitigation measures will be developed considering how the infrastructure of the onshore project substations can be collectively integrated into the existing rural landscape.
 - Consideration of reuse of earthworks generated as part of level change across both
 projects to maximise the efficient use of earthworks generated material in a coordinated way, as well as to maximise opportunities for a holistic approach to
 landscaping.
 - The Design Guide (as detailed in the updated DAS submitted 2 August 2021, (document reference 8.3, version 2)) will take a holistic approach by presenting details of the onshore project substations for both projects. It will set out a design approach and mitigation measures which can be applied across both onshore project substations to minimise the impacts of the onshore project substations alone and cumulatively.
 - The detailed design of both onshore project substations will integrate embedded mitigation in order to minimise potential effects on landscape character and visual amenity alone and cumulatively. Embedded mitigation will consider the detailed design of the built features, including the colour and finish of the materials for the converter buildings. It will also include the detailed design of the landscape features, including tree, hedgerow and grassland planting, earthworks, water attenuation ponds and





drainage, and how these are integrated to form a robust co-ordinated landscape framework across both projects.

2. Adherence to these principles will ensure that the effects of both projects, both alone and cumulatively, are being mitigated through the detailed design of the onshore substations and associated landscaping using a co-ordinated approach.

1.2 Onshore Project Substation Masterplan

- 3. Drawing PB94476-009-017-001presents a masterplan of the proposed infrastructure for Norfolk Vanguard and Norfolk Boreas Scenario 1 onshore project substations. It shows the co-location of infrastructure, zoning of the onshore project substation footprints and how the indicative landscaping proposals have been designed to work together across both projects and with existing landscape features.
- 4. The onshore project substations design and landscape schemes will be further refined as part of the detailed design process in accordance the principles of the OPS Masterplan. The indicative hard and soft landscaping will be developed holistically alongside the detailed design of the substations in order optimise the level of mitigation that the landscaping will provide, for the projects alone and cumulatively.

