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HORNSEA PROJECT THREE OFFSHORE WIND FARM

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**NATURAL ENGLAND**

**Issue Specific Hearing 2**

**Clarification of SPA and SAC features as requested**

Dated 20<sup>th</sup> December 2018

## Special Protection Areas (SPAs)

<b>Overarching site:</b>	Flamborough Head European Marine Site EMS
<b>Site name:</b>	Flamborough and Filey Coast SPA
<b>Designation type:</b>	SPA
<b>Site identification:</b>	UK9006101
<b>Qualifying features (click to see site specific description):</b>	Gannet, ( <i>Morus bassanus</i> ) Guillemot, ( <i>Uria aalge</i> ) Kittiwake, ( <i>Rissa tridactyla</i> ) Razorbill, ( <i>Alca torda</i> ) Seabird assemblage
<b>Designated area (ha):</b>	7857.99
<b>Component Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI):</b>	Flamborough Head SSSI

<b>Site name:</b>	Greater Wash SPA
<b>Designation type:</b>	SPA
<b>Site identification:</b>	
<b>Qualifying features (click to see site specific description):</b>	Common scoter ( <i>Melanitta nigra</i> ), Non-breeding Common tern ( <i>Sterna hirundo</i> ), Breeding Little gull ( <i>Hydrocoloeus minutus</i> ) - Breeding Little tern ( <i>Sternula albifrons</i> ), Breeding Sandwich tern ( <i>Thalasseus sandvicensis</i> ), Breeding Red-throated diver ( <i>Gavia stellata</i> ), Non-breeding.
<b>Designated area (km<sup>2</sup>):</b>	c. 3,536
<b>Component Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI):</b>	N/A

<b>Overarching site:</b>	The Wash and North Norfolk Coast EMS
<b>Site name:</b>	The Wash SPA
<b>Designation type:</b>	SPA
<b>Site identification:</b>	UK9008021
<b>Qualifying features (click to see site specific description):</b>	<p>Bar-tailed godwit (<i>Limosa lapponica</i>), Non-breeding  Bewick's swan (<i>Cygnus columbianus bewickii</i>), Non-breeding  Black-tailed godwit (<i>Limosa limosa islandica</i>), Non-breeding  Common scoter (<i>Melanitta nigra</i>), Non-breeding  Common tern (<i>Sterna hirundo</i>), Breeding  Curlew (<i>Numenius arquata</i>), Non-breeding  Dark-bellied brent goose (<i>Branta bernicla bernicla</i>), Non-breeding  Dunlin (<i>Calidris alpina alpina</i>), Non-breeding  Gadwall (<i>Mareca strepera</i>), Non-breeding  Goldeneye (<i>Bucephala clangula</i>), Non-breeding  Grey plover (<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>), Non-breeding  Knot (<i>Calidris canutus</i>), Non-breeding  Little tern (<i>Sternula albifrons</i>), Breeding  Oystercatcher (<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>), Non-breeding  Pink-footed goose (<i>Anser brachyrhynchus</i>), Non-breeding  Pintail (<i>Anas acuta</i>), Non-breeding  Redshank (<i>Tringa totanus</i>), Non-breeding  Sanderling (<i>Calidris alba</i>), Non-breeding  Shelduck (<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>), Non-breeding  Turnstone (<i>Arenaria interpres</i>), Non-breeding  Waterbird assemblage, Non-breeding  Wigeon (<i>Mareca penelope</i>), Non-breeding</p>
<b>Designated area (ha):</b>	62211.66
<b>Component Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI):</b>	The Wash SSSI

<b>Overarching site:</b>	The Wash and North Norfolk Coast EMS
<b>Site name:</b>	North Norfolk Coast SPA

<b>Designation type:</b>	SPA
<b>Site identification:</b>	UK9009031
<b>Qualifying features (click to see site specific description):</b>	<p>Avocet (<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>), Breeding  Bittern (<i>Botaurus stellaris</i>), Breeding  Common tern (<i>Sterna hirundo</i>), Breeding  Dark-bellied brent goose (<i>Branta bernicla bernicla</i>), Non-breeding  Knot (<i>Calidris canutus</i>), Non-breeding  Little tern (<i>Sternula albifrons</i>), Breeding  Marsh harrier (<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>), Breeding  Montagu's harrier (<i>Circus pygargus</i>), Breeding  Pink-footed goose (<i>Anser brachyrhynchus</i>), Non-breeding  Sandwich tern (<i>Thalasseus sandvicensis</i>), Breeding  Waterbird assemblage, Non-breeding  Wigeon (<i>Mareca penelope</i>), Non-breeding</p>
<b>Designated area (ha):</b>	7886.79
<b>Component Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI):</b>	<p>Morston Cliff SSSI  North Norfolk Coast SSSI</p>

<b>Overarching site:</b>	The Wash and North Norfolk Coast EMS
<b>Site name:</b>	North Norfolk Coast Ramsar
<b>Designation type:</b>	Ramsar
<b>Site identification:</b>	UK11048
<b>Qualifying features (click to see site specific description):</b>	<p>Avocet (<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>), Breeding  Bittern (<i>Botaurus stellaris</i>), Breeding  Common tern (<i>Sterna hirundo</i>), Breeding  Dark-bellied brent goose (<i>Branta bernicla bernicla</i>), Non-breeding  Knot (<i>Calidris canutus</i>), Non-breeding  Little tern (<i>Sternula albifrons</i>), Breeding  Marsh harrier (<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>), Breeding  Montagu's harrier (<i>Circus pygargus</i>), Breeding  Pink-footed goose (<i>Anser brachyrhynchus</i>), Non-breeding  Sandwich tern (<i>Thalasseus sandvicensis</i>), Breeding  Waterbird assemblage, Non-breeding  Wigeon (<i>Mareca penelope</i>), Non-breeding</p>

<b>Designated area (ha):</b>	
<b>Component Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI):</b>	North Norfolk Coast SSSI

## Special Areas of Conservation.

<b>Overarching site:</b>	The Wash & North Norfolk Coast European Marine Site
<b>Site name:</b>	The Wash and North Norfolk Coast SAC
<b>Designation type:</b>	SAC
<b>Site identification:</b>	UK0017075
<b>Qualifying features (click to see site specific description):</b>	<p>Atlantic salt meadows (<i>Glauco-Puccinellietalia maritima</i>)  Coastal lagoons  Harbour (common) seal (<i>Phoca vitulina</i>)  Large shallow inlets and bays  Mediterranean and thermo-Atlantic halophilous scrubs (<i>Sarcocornetea fruticosi</i>)  Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide  Otter (<i>Lutra lutra</i>)  Reefs  Salicornia and other annuals colonising mud and sand  Sandbanks which are slightly covered by sea water all the time</p>
<b>Designated area (ha):</b>	107761.28
<b>Component Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI):</b>	Gibraltar Point SSSI North Norfolk Coast SSSI The Wash SSSI

<b>Site name:</b>	North Norfolk Sandbanks and Saturn Reef SAC
<b>Designation type:</b>	SAC
<b>Site identification:</b>	UK0030358

<b>Qualifying features (click to see site specific description):</b>	Reefs Sandbanks which are slightly covered by seawater all of the time.
<b>Designated area (km<sup>2</sup>):</b>	3,603
<b>Component Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI):</b>	N/A

<b>Site name:</b>	Southern North Sea SCI
<b>Designation type:</b>	SCI
<b>Site identification:</b>	
<b>Qualifying features (click to see site specific description):</b>	Harbour porpoise ( <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> )
<b>Designated area (km<sup>2</sup>):</b>	36,951
<b>Component Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI):</b>	N/A

<b>Site name:</b>	Norfolk Valley Fens SAC
<b>Designation type:</b>	SAC
<b>Site identification:</b>	UK0012892
<b>Qualifying features (click to see site specific description):</b>	Northern Atlantic wet heaths with <i>Erica tetralix</i> European dry heaths Semi-natural dry grasslands and scrubland facies: on calcareous substrates ( <i>Festuco-Brometalia</i> ), (note that this includes the priority feature "important orchid rich sites") Molinia meadows on calcareous, peat or clay-silt soil Calcareous fens with <i>C. mariscus</i> and species of <i>C. davallianae</i> Alkaline fens Alluvial woods with <i>A. glutinosa</i> , <i>F. excelsior</i> Snail, ( <i>Vertigo angustior</i> )

	Desmoulin's whorl snail, ( <i>Vertigo moulinsiana</i> )
<b>Designated area (ha):</b>	616.3143
<b>Component Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI):</b>	<p>Badley Moor SSSI</p> <p>Booton Common SSSI</p> <p>Buxton Heath SSSI</p> <p>Coston Fen, Runhall SSSI</p> <p>East Walton and Adcock's Common SSSI</p> <p>Flordon Common SSSI</p> <p>Foulden Common SSSI</p> <p>Great Cressingham Fen SSSI</p> <p>Holt Lowes SSSI</p> <p>Potter &amp; Scarning Fens, East Dereham SSSI</p> <p>Sheringham and Beeston Regis Commons SSSI</p> <p>Southrepps Common SSSI</p> <p>Swangey Fen, Attleborough SSSI</p> <p>Thompson Water, Carr and Common SSSI</p>

<b>Site name:</b>	River Wensum
<b>Designation type:</b>	SAC
<b>Site identification:</b>	UK0012647
<b>Qualifying features (click to see site specific description):</b>	<p>Water courses of plain to montane levels with <i>R. fluitantis</i></p> <p>Desmoulin's whorl snail, <i>Vertigo moulinsiana</i></p> <p>Freshwater crayfish, <i>Austropotamobius pallipes</i></p> <p>Brook lamprey, <i>Lampetra planeri</i></p> <p>Bullhead, <i>Cottus gobio</i></p>
<b>Designated area (ha):</b>	383.4189
<b>Component Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI):</b>	River Wensum SSSI