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## Acronyms

Acronyms	Description
KCP	Kittiwake Compensation Plan
KIMP	Kittiwake Implementation and Monitoring Plan
OOEG	Offshore Ornithology Engagement Group

## 1. Introduction

1.1 This document sets out the outline for the Kittiwake Implementation and Monitoring Plan (KIMP) that will be developed by the Applicant in consultation with the Offshore Ornithology Engagement Group (OOEG). The KIMP will be developed in accordance with the Kittiwake Compensation Plan (KCP) and be submitted to the Secretary of State for approval no later than 12 months prior to the commencement of the authorised project. The KIMP is structured as follows:

- Background
- Consultation
- Scale and location of compensation
- Design of artificial nesting structures
- Consent and approvals for implementation
- Routine management
- Monitoring and adaptive management
- Reporting
- Programme for implementation and delivery
- Discharge of consent condition

## 2. Background

2.1 This section will provide context to the KIMP, confirming the reason for its need, its aims and objectives, and the latest project status.

## 3. Consultation

3.1 This section will summarise all relevant consultation that has taken place through the OOEG in the development of the KIMP. It will capture any key decisions, agreements, and where relevant any outstanding issues under discussion (with clarity as to the steps necessary to resolve any such matters). Ongoing engagement, for example to provide updates on monitoring, (post-discharge of the KIMP) will be outlined here.

## 4. Pre-construction

### **Scale and location of compensation**

4.1 This section will identify the scale of compensation provided and how this relates to the consent decision made by the Secretary of State. This section will then also detail the specific locations at which the compensation will be delivered and how the necessary land rights to those locations has been secured. The evidence base included in support of the KCP will help inform these aspects. The results of any monitoring carried out pre-construction will also be detailed here as this may influence the locations.

### **Design of artificial nesting structures**

- 4.2 This section will identify the design for each structure provided within the compensation package, including the high-level structural design and the kittiwake ecological design considerations which have been integrated to ensure the compensation measure has the maximum potential for success. The evidence base provided in support of the KCP (Annex 1 to the KCP Kittiwake Artificial Nest Provisioning: Ecological Evidence) and engagement with the OOEG will be important in informing the specific design aspects of the structures.

### **Routine management**

- 4.3 This section will describe the management responsibilities for the structures, including anticipated routine maintenance.

### **Consent and approvals for implementation**

- 4.4 This section will confirm the nature and status of all consents, land access agreements, and any other relevant approvals that were necessary to secure the implementation of the compensation measures and include a programme for delivery on any outstanding consents.

## **5. Post-construction**

### **Monitoring and adaptive management**

- 5.1 This section will identify the monitoring and adaptive management principles and processes that have been agreed with the OOEG, including the scenarios under which adaptive management measures are required. It will be developed in line with the evidence base that has been provided in support of the KCP. Following discharge of the KIMP, the OOEG will be engaged in relation to implementing adaptive management as outlined in the Consultation section above.

### **Reporting**

- 5.2 This section will set out the reporting requirements associated with the monitoring and adaptive management. In doing so, it will confirm the necessary objectives and timescales for the reporting.

## **6. Programme for implementation and delivery**

- 6.1 This section will confirm the programme for the implementation and long-term delivery of the compensation.

## **7. Discharge of consent condition**

- 7.1 This section will confirm how, based on the content of this report, the Secretary of State can discharge the condition relating to the delivery of the compensation required for the black-legged kittiwake feature of the Flamborough and Filey Coast Special Protection Area.