

Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy

THE THANET EXTENSION WIND FARM CONSENT ORDER

THE PLANNING ACT 2008 AND THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING
(ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2017

NOTICE OF A DECISION ON AN APPLICATION FOR DEVELOPMENT CONSENT

The Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (“the Secretary of State”) gives notice under regulation 31(2)(c) and (d) of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 that a determination has been made on an application by Vattenfall Wind Power Limited (“the application”) for an Order granting development consent under the Planning Act 2008.

The application was for the construction and operation of an offshore wind generating station of up to 340 Megawatts, formed as an extension to the existing operational Thanet Offshore Wind Farm in waters adjacent to the entrance to the Thames estuary in Kent.

The Secretary of State has decided, following consideration of the report of the Examining Authority who conducted an examination into the application, that development consent should be refused for the proposed Development.

The statement of reasons for the Secretary of State’s decision under section 116(1)(b) of the Planning Act 2008 and regulation 31(2) of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 and information regarding the right to challenge the decision and the procedures for doing so, is published on the Planning Inspectorate’s website:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/south-east/thanet-extension-offshore-wind-farm/>

Hard copies of the decision documentation will also be available to inspect at the Planning Inspectorate’s offices (by appointment using the contact details below).

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To make an appointment for inspection of the documents contact the Planning Inspectorate on 0303 444 5000 or email NIEnquiries@pins.gsi.gov.uk .

Copies of the Secretary of State’s decision letter can be obtained by writing or sending an e-mail to the Planning Inspectorate. No charge will be made for this service.

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