



Hornsea Project Four: Consultation Report

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9. Public consultation

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We will carefully consider and respond to the feedback you provide on our plans, and incorporate this into our final DCO application. As part of the application, we will publish a Consultation Report, which will:

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Face-to-face

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Direct communication lines

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Communications outreach

Across the onshore consultation area we will be raising awareness of the project to inform those living or working outside of the core consultation zone and to communicate with hard to reach groups. Hard copies of this SoCC, along with the documents listed above, will be available to view from designated Community Access Points (CAP Sites), as listed in Section 13 of this SoCC. We will also use posters, social media, our website and local media to reach out to the entire Consultation Area. All project information will be available to download from our website www.hornsea-projects.co.uk/hornsea-project-four

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Send us an email:
contact@hornsea-projectfour.co.uk

Call our Freephone Information Line
0800 100 3030

Visit our website:
www.hornsea-projects.co.uk/hornsea-project-four

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10. Consultation timeline



Autumn 2018
Scoping Report published



Autumn/Winter 2018
Local information events



Winter 2018
Scoping Opinion published by Planning Inspectorate



Summer/Autumn 2019
Local information events and Preliminary Environmental Information Report published



Winter 2019
Environmental Statement and application documents finalised



Winter/Spring 2020
Development Consent Order submission

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13. Community Access Points

Hard copies of this document and newsletters will be available at the below locations within East Riding of Yorkshire:

- Beverley Customer Service Centre
7 Cross Street, Beverley, HU17 9AX
- Bridlington Customer Service Centre
Bridlington Town Hall, Quay Road, Bridlington, YO10 4LP
- Cottingham Centre
Market Green, Cottingham, HU10 5GQ
- Goole Customer Service Centre
Council Offices, Church Street, Goole, DN14 5BG
- Pocklington Peasle Centre
23 Railway Street, Pocklington, YO42 2QU
- Hornsea Customer Service Centre
Council Offices, 75 Newbegin, Hornsea, HU18 3PA
- Withernsea Centre,
Queen Street, Withernsea, HU19 2HH

Note: There will also be copies of the full DCO application available at one or more of the CAP sites listed above, this will be confirmed nearer to the time of submitting the application.

1. The purpose of community consultation

At Orsted, we want to hear your views. This Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) explains how we intend to consult with you on our proposals for the Hornsea Project Four Offshore Wind Farm (‘Hornsea Project Four’), as required under the Planning Act 2008 (the ‘Planning Act’).

This document outlines the pre-application consultation for Hornsea Project Four. Orsted recognises consultation to be a vital stage in the development of our proposals. This pre-application consultation provides the opportunity for the local community to engage with and comment on the project as the plans evolve.

We want to listen to your views and work with you to develop our proposals for Hornsea Project Four. This will allow us to develop our plans responsibly and in a manner that supports local community interests.

2. Background

We are a renewable energy company taking tangible action to create a world that runs entirely on green energy. We have invested significantly in the UK, where we develop, construct and operate offshore wind farms and innovative waste-to-energy technology.

The UK is our largest market and we currently have 11 operational offshore wind farms here. We have three operational offshore wind farms off the east coast which are Westernmost Rough, Lincs and Race Bank Offshore Wind Farms.

Our Hornsea Project One and Two Offshore Wind Farms are currently under construction and are situated in the southern North Sea. We have also recently submitted an application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) to develop Hornsea Project Three Offshore Wind Farm.

This SoCC has been produced solely for Hornsea Project Four, which is in the early pre-application stage for a DCO situated to the western edge of the former Hornsea Zone (west of Hornsea Project One, Hornsea Project Two and Hornsea Project Three). We will provide full details about what this means from a community consultation perspective in the following sections.

4. Hornsea Project Four Offshore Wind Farm

The project will be located approximately 90 km offshore and will be to the west of Hornsea Project One, Two and Three. The project has an Agreement for Lease (AFL) for an area of up to 800 km². If built, Hornsea Project Four will comprise up to 180 wind turbines and provide clean, renewable energy to power UK homes.

Electricity generated by the offshore wind farm will be brought ashore via underground subsea cables which will be buried onshore at a point known as ‘landfall’, before connecting into an onshore substation and the national grid. We are currently in discussions with National Grid over a proposed grid connection at Crayke Beck.

We are currently assessing potential high-voltage cable route options and various landfall areas. This will be presented in the Scoping Report and is something we will be seeking your opinion on as part of the consultation and planning process.



3. The planning process

With a proposed capacity of over 100 megawatts (MW), Hornsea Project Four is classified as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP). Our project must therefore apply for a DCO through the NSIP planning process. Consents for the offshore array, offshore and onshore cable routes and offshore and onshore substations, will be included in the DCO.

The DCO application will be dealt with by the Planning Inspectorate (PIHS), the agency responsible for managing the examination process for NSIPs. It will then, if accepted, be examined by an Independent Examining Authority (IEA), who will then make a recommendation to the Secretary of State (SoS) for Business Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS). The SoS will then review and comment on the before making a decision on whether to grant a DCO.

As part of the examination process, we must satisfy PIHS that our pre-application consultation has been undertaken. This includes identifying statutory consultees for the proposed consultation, under Section 42 of the Planning Act, as explained in Section 5 of this SoCC. It also includes setting out how we propose to consult with the community in the vicinity of the project under Section 47 of the Planning Act, with this SoCC being published in accordance with this requirement.

For more information on this process or advice on how to respond to our pre-application consultation, you can access The Planning Inspectorate’s advice note at:

<http://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/04/Advice-note-8.0.pdf>



5. Who will we consult?

We will consult with individuals and communities living within the vicinity of the land affected by the DCO application. This consultation is also open to anyone who may be interested in any way, but impacted by our proposals for Hornsea Project Four. We encourage interested parties to submit their feedback via our communication lines, which include our dedicated project email address (contact@hornseaprojectfour.co.uk) and telephone information line (0800 100 3030). Interested parties can also register their interest at our project website (www.hornseaprojects.co.uk/hornsea-project-four/) to receive regular updates on the project and our proposals.

Our consultation will also involve relevant parish and town councils, area committees, community groups, organisations representing local businesses, communities and tourist boards. We will work with your Local Planning Authority (LPA), East Riding of Yorkshire Council, among others, to identify key community groups. In addition, we will also be discussing our proposed project with a range of statutory and non-statutory consultees including:

- Local authorities – this includes the host authority and neighbouring local authorities
- Owners, tenants and occupiers of the land affected by the DCO application
- Commercial stakeholders (including asset owners and the fisheries industry)
- Environmental bodies

6. What will we consult on?

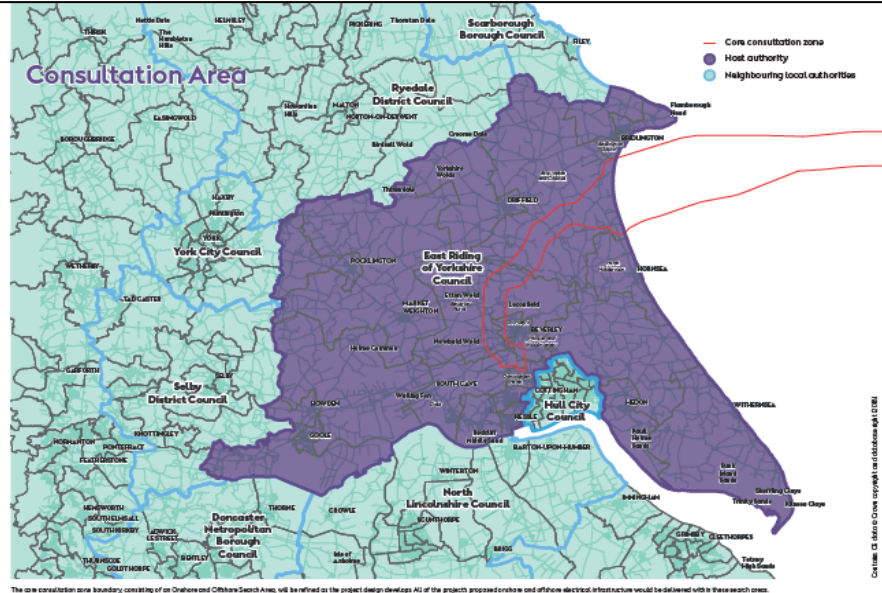
We will be seeking feedback on aspects of our plans for Hornsea Project Four. We will encourage local communities to give their views about how our proposals may affect them or their area. For example, we will be seeking feedback to help develop our proposals regarding impacts such as, but not limited to:

- Environmental (eg. landscape and visual amenity, local marine ecology, wildlife)
- Economical (eg. commercial activities such as shipping and fisheries, employment opportunities)
- Social (eg. Public Rights of Way, noise and vibration during construction)

More information will be available regarding technical aspects of the project as our proposals develop, which will then be discussed at our local information events.

1. A separate Habitats Regulations Assessment in relation to nature conservation areas for 18 European conservation sites will also be produced.

Consultation Area



The core consultation area boundary, consisting of an Onshore and Offshore Search Area, will be refined as the project design develops. All of the project proposed onshore and offshore electrical infrastructure would be delivered within this search area.

7. Components of a typical offshore wind farm

Below is a graphic which shows the typical components of an offshore wind farm. When developing the plans for Hornsea Project Four we will be looking into the different options associated with each of these components.



1. Offshore wind turbines and inter-array cables
2. Offshore export cable
3. Offshore substation
4. Offshore HVAC booster at a landfall
5. Onshore export cable and landfall
6. Onshore substation
7. Existing National Grid substation
8. Existing National Grid power lines
9. Onshore HVAC booster at a landfall

8. Environmental information

In accordance with Regulation 12 of the Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017, we confirm that the project falls within the scope of the Environmental Impact Assessment Directive and, as such, we will be undertaking an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for Hornsea Project Four in accordance with Regulation 5 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. The methodology and scope of the EIA will be agreed with the relevant regulatory and environmental bodies, the SoS, and your LPA.

The following reports listed below will be consulted on as part of the EIA process and as the DCO application is prepared:

Scoping Report – The Scoping Report will be informed by desk-based research on the existing offshore and onshore environments in the location of the proposed project and supported by surveys and data analysis. This report will present the key project parameters, otherwise known as the Project Envelope, which includes all associated onshore and offshore infrastructure and possible elements that make up the project. These elements will be subject to further refinement throughout the project development process. Typical elements of an offshore wind farm are presented in the figure to the left. The report will also describe the methodologies that will be applied to further characterise the existing environments and how any potential impacts will be assessed.¹

Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) – Following the publication of the Scoping Report, a PEIR will be produced, which will provide an initial statement of the environmental information available for the Hornsea Project Four study area. The PEIR will build upon findings from the Scoping Report and feedback received through the consultation process. It will incorporate the findings of the surveys and initial assessments and will enable consultees to develop an informed view of the potential environmental effects. We will be seeking feedback from local communities and other stakeholders on the PEIR (see the consultation timeline in Section 10 for more details).

Environmental Statement (ES) – The ES will advance the content of the PEIR and continue to incorporate the responses from the consultation and results of the surveys undertaken. It will also describe any changes made to the project and any mitigation measures that need to be implemented. The ES will form part of the DCO application for submission.

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2. A statutory process in the form of a Scoping Opinion coordinated by PIHS will result in feedback on this from local communities and other stakeholders.

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Hornsea Project Four Proposed Offshore Wind Farm

Statement of Community Consultation — September 2018

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- Owners, tenants and occupiers of the land affected by the DCO application
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Pre-application

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7 Cross Street, Beverley HU17 9AX
- **Bridlington Customer Service Centre**
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- **Cottingham Centre**
Market Cross, Cottingham, HU16 5QC
- **Goole Customer Service Centre**
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23 Railway Street, Pocklington, YO42 2SU
- **Hornsea Customer Service Centre**
(Council Offices, 75 Newbegin, Hornsea, HU18 9PA)
- **Withernsea Centre**
Queen Street, Withernsea, HU19 2RH

Note: There will also be copies of the MDCO application available at one or more of the CAP sites listed above. We will be confirmed nearer to the time of submitted applications.

14. Communication lines

Send us an email:
contact@hornsea4projectfour.co.uk

Call our freephone information line:
0800 359 3000

Visit our website:
www.hornsea4projects.co.uk/hornsea-project-four

Send us a letter:
Hornsea Project Four Offshore Wind Farm, c/o Humphrey Lakeland, Orsted UK, 5 Howick Place, Victoria, London, SW1P 2WG

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Police share a day in their job on Twitter

DRIVER FLED CRASH LEAVING SON IN CAR

by CHARIS SCOTT-HOLM - charis.scott-holm@gooletimes.info

A man who left his son in the wreckage of a car crash after allegedly drink driving was just one of many incidents the Goole policing team shared this weekend.

Residents got the rare chance to see exactly what local policing involved when the team shared details of their call outs and patrols on Twitter.

Modern slavery, drink driving, domestic abuse, sexual assault and anti-social behaviour were all in a day's work for a Goole police officer.

The crashed car incident took place on Saturday evening on High Street in Airmyn, when a grey Ford Focus came off the road, hit a lamp post, and came to a stop in the front garden of a house, knocking over a tree and landing in a large hedge.

Humber-side Police, who were live-Tweeting their call outs this weekend, said on Twitter: "Driver made off from the scene before police arrived. Patrols carrying out an area search for him now. Passenger being treated by ambulance at scene, having told officers that his father, who was driving, whilst under the influence, left him there,



The car was left ruined in a hedge after the crash on Airmyn's High Street. (08-09-17 SU)

injured?"

Now, Humber-side Police have said they will be investigating the collision and will be speaking to the driver.

A spokesperson from the force said: "A 21 year-old man who was the passenger

sustained minor injuries in the collision. The driver fled the scene. We are investigating the circumstances of the collision and have identified the driver who will be interviewed as part of our investigations.

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Hornsea Project Four Proposed Offshore Wind Farm

Statement of Community Consultation — September 2018

Published in accordance with Section 47 (b) of the Planning Act 2008

1. The purpose of community consultation

At Orsted, we want to hear your views. This Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) explains how we intend to consult with you on the proposals for the Hornsea Project Four Offshore Wind Farm (Hornsea Project Four) required under the Planning Act 2008 (the Planning Act).

The SoCC outlines the pre-application consultation for Hornsea Project Four. It also recognises consultation to be in what stage in the development of our proposals.

The pre-application consultation provides the opportunity for the local community to engage with and comment on the project as the project plans evolve.

We want to listen to your views and work with you to develop our proposals for Hornsea Project Four. This will allow us to develop our plans responsibly and in a manner that supports local community interests.

2. Background

We are a renewable energy company taking tangible action to create a world that runs entirely on green energy. We have invested significantly in the UK, where we develop, construct and operate offshore wind farms and innovative ways to integrate technology.

The UK is the largest market for wind energy, with 12 operational offshore wind farms. We have three operational onshore wind farms off the east coast which are Weymouth Rough, Lincoln and Race Point Offshore Wind Farms.

Our Hornsea Project One and Two Offshore Wind Farms are currently under construction and are located in the southern North Sea. We have successfully submitted an application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) to develop Hornsea Project Three Offshore Wind Farm.

The SoCC has been produced solely for Hornsea Project Four, which is the only pre-application stage for a DCO situated in the western edge of the former Hornsea Zone (west of Hornsea Project One, Hornsea Project Two and Hornsea Project Three). We will provide further details about what this means from a community consultation perspective in the following sections.

3. The planning process

With a proposed capacity of over 1,000 megawatts (MW), Hornsea Project Four is classified as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP). Our project must therefore apply for a DCO through the NSIP planning process. Consents for the offshore array, offshore and onshore cables routes, and offshore and onshore substations, will be included in the DCO.

The DCO application will be dealt with by the Planning Inspectorate (PI), the agency responsible for managing the examination process for NSIPs. It will then, if accepted, be accepted by an independent Economic Authority Panel, who will then make a recommendation to the Secretary of State (SoS) for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS). The SoS will then review and determine on the before making a decision on whether to grant a DCO.

As part of the examination process, we must satisfy BEIS that our pre-application consultation has been undertaken. This includes identifying statutory consultees for the proposed development under Section 42 of the Planning Act, as defined in Section 2 of the SoCC. It also includes writing out how we propose to consult with the community in the vicinity of the project under Section 47 of the Planning Act, with this SoCC being published in accordance with the requirements.

For more information on the process or advice on how to respond to our pre-application consultation, you can access The Planning Inspectorate's website here:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/04/Advice-note-6.0.pdf>

4. Hornsea Project Four Offshore Wind Farm



■ Hornsea Project Four Offshore Wind Farm ■ Existing (other) offshore wind farm projects

The project will be located approximately 90 km offshore and will be to the west of Hornsea Project One, Two and Three. The project has an Agreement for Lease (A/L) for an area of up to 850 km² if built. Hornsea Project Four will comprise up to 150 wind turbines and provide clean, renewable energy to power UK homes.

Electricity generated by the offshore wind farm will be brought ashore via underground subsea cables which will be buried ashore at a point known as 'landfall', before connecting into an onshore substation and the national grid. We are currently in discussions with National Grid over a proposed grid connection at Croyle Beck.

We are currently reviewing potential high-voltage cable route options and various landfall sites. This will be presented in the Scoping Report and in forthcoming we will be seeking your opinion on our part of the consultation and planning process.

5. Who will we consult?

We will consult with individuals and communities living within the vicinity of the land affected by the DCO application. This consultation is also open to anyone who may be interested or in any way feel impacted by our proposals for Hornsea Project Four. We encourage interested parties to submit their feedback via our communication lines which include our dedicated project email address feedback@hornseaprojectfour.co.uk and Freephone information line (0800 169 3000). Interested parties can also register their interest at our project website (www.hornseaprojectfour.co.uk/hornsea-project-four) to receive regular updates on the project and our proposals.

Our consultation will also involve relevant parish and town councils, area committees, community groups, organisations representing local businesses, communities and to visit boards. We will work with your Local Planning Authority (LPA) East Riding of Yorkshire Council, among others, to identify key community groups. In addition, we will also be discussing our proposed project with a range of statutory and non-statutory consultees including:

- Local authorities – this includes the host authority and neighbouring local authorities
- Owners, tenants and occupiers of the land affected by the DCO application
- Commercial stakeholders (including coast owners and the fisheries industry)
- Environmental bodies

6. What will we consult on?

We will be seeking feedback on aspects of our plans for Hornsea Project Four. We will encourage local communities to give their views about how our proposals may affect them or their area. For example, we will be seeking feedback to help develop our proposals regarding impacts such as, but not limited to:

- Environmental (eg. landscape and visual amenity, local/marine ecology, wildlife)
- Economical (eg. commercial activities such as shopping and fisheries, employment opportunities)
- Social (eg. Public Rights of Way, noise and vibration during construction)

More information will be available regarding technical aspects of the project as our proposals develop, which will then be discussed at our local information events.

7. Components of a typical offshore wind farm

Below is a graphic which shows the typical components of an offshore wind farm. When developing the plans for Hornsea Project Four we will be looking into the different options associated with each of these components.



8. Environmental information

In accordance with Regulation 12 of the Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017, we confirm that the project falls within the scope of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for Hornsea Project Four in accordance with Regulation 5 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. The methodology and scope of the EIA will be agreed with the relevant regulatory and environmental bodies, the SoS, and your LPA.

The following reports listed will be consulted on as part of the EIA process and as the DCO application is prepared:

Scoping Report – The Scoping Report will be informed by desk-based research on the existing offshore and onshore environments in the location of the proposed project and supported by surveys and data analysis. The report will present the key project parameters, otherwise known as the Project Envelope, which includes all associated onshore and offshore infrastructure and possible elements that make up the project. These elements will be subject to further refinement throughout the project development process.

Typical elements of an offshore wind farm are presented in the figure above. The report will also describe the methodologies that will be applied to further characterise the existing environments and how any potential impacts will be assessed?

1. A separate Habitats Regulations Assessment to inform the nature conservation assessment (NCA) European conservation status will also be produced.

2. A statutory process in the form of a Strategic Planning consultation by PWS will result in feedback with the local communities and other stakeholders.

Consultation Area



The consultation and business interests of an offshore and onshore wind farm will be covered in the EIA. The EIA will also cover the proposed onshore and offshore wind farm and the associated infrastructure.

Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) – Following the publication of the Scoping Report, a PEIR will be produced which will provide an initial statement of the environmental information available for the Hornsea Project Four study area. The PEIR will build upon findings from the Scoping Report and feedback received through the consultation process. It will incorporate the findings of the surveys and initial assessments and will enable us to develop an informed view of the potential environmental effects. We will be seeking feedback from local communities and other stakeholders on the PEIR over the consultation timeline in Section 10 for more details.

Environmental Statement (ES) – The ES will address the content of the PEIR and continue to incorporate the responses from the consultation and results of the surveys undertaken. It will also describe any changes made to the project, and any mitigation measures that need to be implemented. The ES will form part of the DCO application for submission.

Details of when these reports will be published, can be found in Section 10 of the SoCC, which displays the consultation timeline. Copies of these reports will be made available as we conduct the public consultation.

9. Public consultation

The consultation process for the proposed Hornsea Project Four will be an iterative one as the design of the project develops in response to the consultation. The following consultation process shapes the consultation timeline, as presented in Section 10 of the SoCC.

Stakeholder briefings – Autumn/Winter 2018

Following publication of the SoCC, we will introduce community members to our proposals for Hornsea Project Four. This will include initial meetings with members of the community and stakeholders.

Local information events – Autumn/Winter 2018

Local information events will take place in October 2018. These will provide interested members of the local community with the opportunity to view the early stage proposals and submit community feedback. This will help shape the proposals for Hornsea Project Four, where more developed plans will be presented at local information events individually planned for Summer/Autumn 2019.

Local information events – Summer/Autumn 2019

Local information events and further consultation will take place individually in Summer/Autumn 2019 and will run for at least 28 days. The statutory consultation, in accordance with Section 47 of the Planning Act, will allow us to update on the project plans and show you how they have changed in response to feedback gathered from the consultation. At this stage you will also be able to provide feedback on our PEIR, as discussed in Section 8. More specific details of the formal consultation will be published through the separate channels listed in Section 14.

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Ongoing consultation

Any interested parties are welcome to get in touch with us at any time during the consultation process. Our contact details are listed at the end of this document. From now until our application is submitted, we will consider the feedback and comments we receive on an ongoing basis and incorporate them into our proposals where possible.

You will also have the opportunity to comment on our proposals for the project when the DCO application is submitted to PNL. Guidance on the process can be found on the PNL website at:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/04/Advice-note-9.0.pdf>

10. Consultation timeline

	Autumn 2018 Scoping Report published
	Autumn/Winter 2018 Local information events
	Winter 2018 Scoping Opinion published by Planning Inspectorate
	Summer/Autumn 2019 Local information events and Preliminary Environmental Information Report published
	Winter 2019 Environmental Statement and application documents finalised
	Winter/Spring 2020 Development Consent Order submission

11. Next steps

We will carefully consider and respond to the feedback you provide on our plans and incorporate this into our final DCO application. As part of the application, we will publish a Consultation Report, which will:

- Describe our consultation process
- List and explain how we added to all legal requirements
- Detail how we have worked with your LPA to ensure our consultation was suitable for your area
- Provide a summary of all consultation responses (from both local communities and stakeholders)
- Detail the changes we have made to our application as a result of what you told us
- Explain why, if any, changes were not made to any areas of the application you told us needed changing

12. How will we consult with you?

Face-to-face

Our pre-application consultation will include a round of local information events, which are open to all interested members of the public. Attendees will have the opportunity to view informative materials about the project, discuss the proposals with members of the team and provide their feedback on the proposals.

Details of the first round of events are as follows:

Local information events

Monday 22 October from 2pm to 8pm, at Foston on the Wolds Village Hall, Main Street, Foston on the Wolds, YO25 8BJ
Thursday 25 October from 2pm to 8pm, at Barmston and Frothorpe Village Hall, Sands Lane, Barmston, YO25 8PG
Friday 26 October from 2pm to 8pm, at Leconfield Village Hall, Miles Lane, Leconfield, HU17 7NW
Saturday 27 October from 10:30am to 4pm, at Woodmansey Village Hall, Long Lane, Beverley, HU17 0RN

Literature

Stakeholder briefing packs will be provided to elected members at the start of the consultation to introduce the scheme and inform them of how their constituents will be engaged with during the process.

Consultation leaflets will be distributed to all properties within the core consultation zone (as shown on the consultation area map) and will be available at key locations in the wider Consultation Area. Leaflets will provide information on the proposals and details of how the local community can have their say.

Newsletters will be available online and distributed bi-annually within the Consultation Area to update residents on the plans and proposals.

Direct communication lines

Any interested parties can contact us using any of the communication lines detailed in Section 14. All project information will be available to download from our website www.hornseaprojects.co.uk/hornsea-project-four

Communication outreach

Around the onshore consultation area we will be holding (expenses of the project to inform those living or working outside of the core consultation zone) and to communicate with hard to reach groups. Hard copies of this SoCC, along with the documents listed above, will be available to view from designated Community Access Points (CAP Sites), as listed in Section 13 of this SoCC. We will also use posters, social media, our website and local media to reach out to the entire Consultation Area. All project information will be available to download from our website www.hornseaprojects.co.uk/hornsea-project-four

Hard-to-reach groups, for example the elderly or disabled, may be less likely to participate in or respond to traditional consultation techniques. They may find it harder to get involved in consultation and need additional support to access materials. Our consultation will include measures to ensure we communicate effectively with these groups and provide an opportunity for them to have their say. This includes making information available across a number of online or offline outlets and in different formats. We will be directly engaging with representative groups in the community to ensure that any hard-to-reach groups have the opportunity to have their say. As part of this, we will ensure our written materials are in easy to understand, plain English style. A freephone number, staffed by our community relations team, is available to assist people who find it difficult to submit written comments. Large print and braille versions of project documents will also be available on request.

13. Community Access Points

Hardcopies of this SoCC and newsletters will be available at the below council offices within East Riding of Yorkshire:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beverley Customer Service Centre
7 Cross Street, Beverley, HU6 7AX Bridlington Customer Service Centre
Bridlington Town Hall, Gully Road, Bridlington, YO16 4LP Cottingham Centre
Market Green, Cottingham, HU16 5QG Goolbsy Customer Service Centre
Council Offices, Church Street, Goolbsy, DN14 5BG | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pocklington Parade Centre
23 Railway Street, Pocklington, YO42 2GU Hornsea Customer Service Centre
Council Offices, 75 Newbegin, Hornsea, HU18 3PA Withernsea Centre
Queen Street, Withernsea, HU19 2HF |
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- Note: There will also be copies of the final DCO application available at one or more of the CAP sites listed above, this will be confirmed nearer to the time of submitting the application.

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Send us an email:

contact@hornseaprojectfour.co.uk

Call our freephone information line:

0800 169 3030

Visit our website:

www.hornseaprojects.co.uk/hornsea-project-four

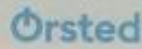
Send us a letter:

Hornsea Project Four Offshore Wind Farm, c/o Humphrey Liddlow, Stratford Lode, 5 Howick Place, Victoria, London, SW1P 1WG

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Hornsea Project Four Proposed Offshore Wind Farm

Statement of Community Consultation – September 2018

Published in accordance with Section 47 (6) of the Planning Act 2008

1. The purpose of community consultation

At Orsted, we want to hear your views. This Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) explains how we intend to proceed with our on-going proposals for the Hornsea Project Four Offshore Wind Farm. Hornsea Project Four is required under the Planning Act 2008 (the Planning Act).

This SoCC outlines the pre-application consultation for Hornsea Project Four. Orsted recognises consultation to be a vital stage in the development of our proposals.

The pre-application consultation provides the opportunity for the local community to engage with and comment on the project at the project planning stage.

We want to listen to your views and work with you to develop our proposals for Hornsea Project Four. This will allow us to develop our plans responsibly and ensure that they reflect local community interests.

2. Background

We are a renewable energy company with a long history of creating a world that runs entirely on green energy. We have invested significantly in the UK, where we develop, construct and operate offshore wind farms and innovative ways to energy technology.

The UK is our largest market and we currently have 11 operational offshore wind farms. We have three operations of offshore wind farms off the east coast which are Wylhamoat Rough, Less and Race Bank Offshore Wind Farms.

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This SoCC has been produced solely for Hornsea Project Four, which is in the early pre-application stage for a DCO situated to the western edge of the former Hornsea Zone East of Hornsea Project One, Hornsea Project Two, and Hornsea Project Three. We will provide full details about what this means from a community consultation perspective in the following sections.

3. The planning process

With our proposed capacity of over 100 megawatts (MW), Hornsea Project Four is classified as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP). Our project must therefore apply for a DCO through the NSIP planning process. Consents for the onshore energy, offshore and onshore cable routes and offshore and onshore substations, will be included in the DCO.

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As part of the economic process, we must satisfy PIA that our pre-application consultation has been undertaken. This includes identifying statutory consultees for the proposed consultation, under Section 42 of the Planning Act, as explained in Section 3 of this SoCC. It also includes setting out how we propose to consult with the community in the vicinity of the project under Section 47 of the Planning Act, with the SoCC being published in accordance with the requirements.

For more information on the process or advice on how to respond to our pre-application consultation, you can contact The Planning Inspectorate (link is not set).

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/04/Advice-note-8-D.pdf>

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7. Components of a typical offshore wind farm

Below is a graphic which shows the typical components of an offshore wind farm. When developing the plans for Hornsea Project Four we will be looking into the different options associated with each of these components.



8. Environmental information

In accordance with Regulation 12 of the Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017, we confirm that the project falls within the scope of the Environmental Impact Assessment Directive and, as such, we will be undertaking an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for Hornsea Project Four in accordance with Regulation 5 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. The methodology and scope of the EIA will be agreed with the relevant regulatory and environmental bodies, the SOs, and your LPA.

The following reports listed will be consulted on as part of the EIA process and as the DC0 application is prepared:

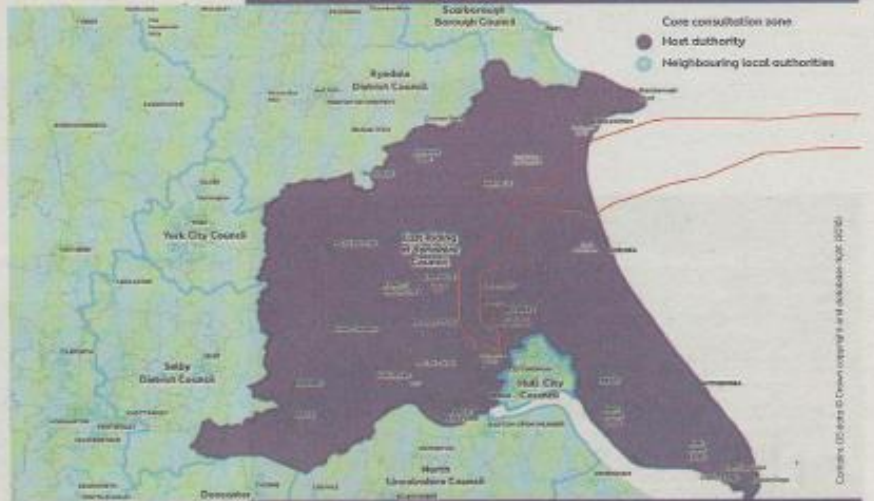
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¹ A separate Habitats Regulations Assessment in relation to nature conservation areas (with European conservation zones) will also be produced.

² A statutory process in the form of a Scoping Opinion (conducted by PHE) will result in feedback on EIA from local communities and other stakeholders.

Consultation Area



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The consultation area boundaries, consisting of an Onshore and Offshore Search Area, will be defined in the Project Envelope document. All of the Project Envelope Search Area and Onshore Search Area will be included within the Search Area.

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Literature

Stakeholder briefing packs will be provided to elected members at the start of the consultation to introduce the scheme and inform them of how their constituents will be engaged with during the process.

Consultation leaflets will be distributed to all properties within the core consultation zone (as shown on the consultation area map) and will be available at key locations in the wider Consultation Area. Leaflets will provide information on the proposals and details of how the local community can have their say.

Newsletters will be available online and distributed bi-annually within the Consultation Area to update residents on the plans and proposals.

Direct communication lines

Any interested parties can contact us using any of the communication lines detailed in Section 14. All project information will be available to download from our website www.hornsea-projects.co.uk/hornsea-project-four

Communications outreach

Across the entire consultation area we will be raising awareness of the project to inform those living or working outside of the core consultation zone and to communicate with hard to reach groups. Hard copies of this SoCC, along with the documents listed above, will be available to view from designated Community Access Points (CAP Sites), as listed in Section 13 of this SoCC. We will also use posters, social media, our website and local media to reach out to the entire Consultation Area. All project information will be available to download from our website www.hornsea-projects.co.uk/hornsea-project-four

Hard to reach groups, for example the elderly or disabled, may be less likely to participate in or respond to traditional consultation techniques. They may find it harder to get involved in consultation and need additional support to access materials. Our consultation will include measures to ensure we communicate effectively with these groups and provide an opportunity for them to have their say. This includes making information available across a number of online or offline outlets and in different formats. We will be directly engaging with representative groups in the community to ensure that any hard to reach groups have the opportunity to have their say. As part of this, we will ensure our written material is in easy to understand plain English style. A freephone number, staffed by our community relations team, is available to assist people who find it difficult to submit written comments. Large print and braille versions of project documents will also be available on request.

13. Community Access Points

Hardcopies of this SoCC and newsletters will be available at the below council offices within East Riding of Yorkshire:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beverley Customer Service Centre
7 Cross Street, Beverley, HU17 9AX • Bridlington Customer Service Centre
Bridlington Town Hall, Quay Road, Bridlington, YO16 4UP • Cottingham Centre
Market Cross, Cottingham, HU6 5QQ • Goole Customer Service Centre
Council Offices, Church Street, Goole, DN14 5BG | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pocklington Pools Centre
25 Railway Street, Pocklington, YO42 2QU • Hornsea Customer Service Centre
Council Offices, 75 Newbegin, Hornsea, HU8 8BA • Withernsea Centre
Green Street, Withernsea, HU19 2RH |
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Note: There will also be copies of the full DCO application available at one or more of the CAP sites listed above; this will be confirmed nearer to the time of submitting the application.

14. Communication lines

Send us an email:
contact@hornsea-projectfour.co.uk
Call our freephone information line:
0800 169 3030
Visit our website:
www.hornsea-projects.co.uk/hornsea-project-four

Send us a letter
Hornsea Project Four Offshore Wind Farm, c/o Humphrey Liddlow,
Orsted UK, 5 Hazwick Place, Victoria,
London, SW1P 1WC

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Credibility fears over Ofsted's inspections cuts

Watchdog could be seen as 'irrelevant'

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OFSTED'S CREDIBILITY is at risk as its inspections are eroded. MPs have warned, with the body too focused on costs over assurances about effectiveness of schools.

Significant cuts to Ofsted's budget have seen a 2a per cent drop in the amount spent by the body on inspections since 1999, a report by the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) has said.

The result has been too high a focus on costs, the report concludes, alongside "clear shortcomings" in Ofsted's performance with too few inspections and an inability to meet targets.

Meg Hillier MP, chairwoman of the PAC, said: "Cuts to Ofsted's budget have undermined families' ability to make informed decisions about schools."

"If the level of inspection continues to be eroded there is a risk that Ofsted will come to be perceived by parents, Parliament and taxpayers as not relevant or worse, simply a fig leaf for

Government failures on school standards. Should this happen, its credibility will evaporate."

The report, critiquing the current system, questioned whether a single day for routine inspections on schools rated good was enough to gain a measure of its effectiveness. And a policy which means outstanding schools are exempt from routine re-inspec-

“As with all the public sector, we have had to do more with less.”

Amanda Spielman, Ofsted Chief Inspector.

tion altogether is "unacceptable", it says, calling for a review from Government.

Ofsted has struggled to employ enough school inspectors, it found, meaning it has failed to complete its inspection programme. And furthermore, it read, misinformation presented to Parliament by Ofsted about its ability to meet its targets further

called into question effectiveness. The committee also voiced its disappointment at HMI Chief Inspector's apparent reluctance to offer her views on the wider issues affecting the school system.

Ofsted Chief Inspector, Amanda Spielman, said: "As with all of the public sector, we have had to do more with less."

"However, I remain confident that our inspections provide parents, schools and the Government with the assurance they need about school standards and that we do so in a way that compares very favourably in terms of quality and value for money with school inspection regimes internationally."

"However, as I said at the hearing, we have reached the limit in terms of being able to provide that level of assurance within our current funding envelope."

"That is why, with our ongoing framework review, we are looking at how to ensure that schools and parents get everything they need from our reports, and why many of the committee's recommendations are already long in train."



GLOBAL APPEAL

Members of the Lucius team of the Cirque Borsenk circus take part in a globe of death at the Victoria Theatre in Halifax. The Cirque Borsenk is performing tonight, three times tomorrow and on Sunday in a show described as a jaw-dropping spectacular.

PICTURE: JON GAWTHORPE

'Biomarkers' to measure ageing process

A NEW way of measuring the impact of the ageing process on bones, joints and muscles could be used to help people stay physically active for longer.

Scientists at the University of Sheffield were involved in a project to help distinguish between the normal physical effects of ageing on the body and the first

signs of disease. They teamed up with colleagues at Newcastle and Liverpool universities to draw up a new set of measures to assess bone and muscle health.

The approach recommends the use of specific physical indicators called biomarkers to assess bone condition, cartilage damage and muscle mass. It is hoped the

research will be used as a medical benchmark in the treatment of elderly people with bone and muscle conditions.

Professor Eugene McCloskey, professor in adult bone disease in the University of Sheffield's Department of Oncology and Metabolism, said: "The burden of musculoskeletal diseases on in-

dividuals and society is huge and increasing.

"The ability to measure the impact of ageing and, equally importantly, of lifestyle and therapeutic interventions on all of the tissues comprising the musculoskeletal system is an absolute necessity to make progress in this important area."

Briefing

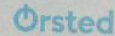
Arson probe after woman dies in blaze

LONDON: A woman has died in a suspected arson attack on a town house.

The victim, in her late 40s, was found dead inside the address in Centurian Square, Woolwich, Scotland Yard said.

The fire, to which officers were called at 1:30am yesterday, is being treated as suspicious.

A man in his 60s and a woman in her



Hornsea Project Four Proposed Offshore Wind Farm

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Range Rover 'one of least reliable cars'

MOTORING: The Range Rover is one of the UK's least reliable cars, according to a new report by What Car? magazine.

The Land Rover brand occupied three of the bottom five places on the ranking.

This includes the Range Rover, Range Rover Evoque and Discovery Sport. A Jaguar Land Rover spokesman said the company was "disappointed with these results".

Chance to question region's clinical group

WILLERBY: People can put questions to the East Riding Clinical Commissioning Group at its annual general meeting on September 18.

Its financial performance and projects including the introduction of urgent treatment services, will be discussed at the meeting at 5pm at Willerby Manor Hotel.

People are being asked to submit questions in advance by emailing ERYCCG.Contact@usghns.net.

Police issue warning over suspicious caller

LEEDS: Police in West Yorkshire have issued a warning about a suspicious door-to-door salesman who claimed to be an ex-prisoner.

The man was reported to have visited a house in the Morley area of Leeds, told the occupant he was selling goods and then asked to come in.

A police spokesman yesterday said the practice is not part of any official rehabilitation programme.

Action call over area plagued by vandals

WITHERNSSEA: MP Graham Stuart has called on East Riding Council to take urgent action to clear up a demolition area which has been plagued by flytipping and vandals breaking into empty flats.

It follows a visit by the MP to the Cherry Street area.

Ward councillors say that many residents feel the area is becoming neglected.

Tasered teenager is released from hospital

COVENTRY: A boy who went into cardiac arrest after being hit with a police Taser has been discharged from hospital.

The 17-year-old needed immediate CPR after collapsing at a take-away after being Tasered by officers responding to reports of a fight in Coventry on Saturday. The Independent Office for Police Conduct (IOPC) is investigating the incident.

1. The purpose of community consultation

At Orsted, we want to hear your views. The Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) explains how we intend to consult with you on our proposals for the Hornsea Project Four Offshore Wind Farm (Hornsea Project Four) as required under the Planning Act 2008 (the 'Planning Act').

This SoCC outlines the pre-application consultation for Hornsea Project Four. Orsted recognises consultation to be a vital stage in the development of our proposals.

This pre-application consultation provides the opportunity for the local community to engage with and comment on the project as the project plans evolve.

We want to listen to your views and work with you to develop our proposals for Hornsea Project Four. This will allow us to develop our plans responsibly and in a manner that supports local community interests.

2. Background

We are a renewable energy company taking tangible action to create a world that runs entirely on green energy. We have invested significantly in the UK where we develop, construct and operate offshore wind farms and innovative waste-to-energy technology.

The UK is our largest market and we currently have 11 operational offshore wind farms here. We have three operational offshore wind farms of the east coast which are Westmorland Rough, Lincs and Race Bank Offshore Wind Farms.

Our Hornsea Project One and Two Offshore Wind Farms are currently under construction and are situated in the southern North Sea. We have also recently submitted an application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) to develop Hornsea Project Three Offshore Wind Farm.

This SoCC has been produced solely for Hornsea Project Four which is in the early pre-application stage for a DCO situated to the western edge of the former Hornsea Zone (west of Hornsea Project One, Hornsea Project Two and Hornsea Project Three). We will provide full details shortly. What this means from a community consultation perspective is the following sections.

3. The planning process

With a proposed capacity of over 100 megawatts (MW), Hornsea Project Four is classified as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP). Our project must therefore apply for a DCO through the NSIP planning process. Consents for the offshore array, offshore and onshore cable routes, and offshore and onshore substations, will be included in the DCO.

The DCO application will be dealt with by the Planning Inspectorate (PIPS), the agency responsible for managing the examination process for NSIPs. It will then, if accepted, be examined by an independent Examining Authority Panel, who will then make a recommendation to the Secretary of State (SoS) for Business Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS). The SoS will then review and comment on this before making a decision on whether to grant a DCO.

As part of the examination process, we must satisfy PINS that our pre-application consultation has been undertaken. This includes identifying statutory consultees for the proposed consultation under Section 42 of the Planning Act, as explained in Section 5 of this SoCC. It also includes setting out how we propose to consult with the community in the vicinity of the project under Section 47 of the Planning Act, with this SoCC being published in accordance with this requirement.

For more information on this process or advice on how to respond to our pre-application consultation, you can access The Planning Inspectorate's advice note at:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/04/Advice-note-8.0.pdf>

4. Hornsea Project Four Offshore Wind Farm

The project will be located approximately 90 km offshore and will be to the west of Hornsea Project One, Two and Three. The project has an Agreement for Lease (AFL) for an area of up to 850 km². If built, Hornsea Project Four will comprise up to 160 wind turbines and provide clean, renewable energy to power UK homes.

Electricity generated by the offshore wind farm will be brought ashore via underground subsea cables which will be buried onshore at a point known as 'landfall', before connecting into an onshore substation and the national grid. We are currently in discussions with National Grid over proposed grid connections at Crayke Beck.

We are currently assessing potential high-voltage cable route options and various landfall areas. This will be presented in the Scoping Report and is something we will be seeking your opinion on as part of the consultation and planning process.

5. Who will we consult?

We will consult with individuals and communities living within the vicinity of the land affected by the DCO application. This consultation is also open to anyone who may be interested or in any way feel impacted by our proposals for Hornsea Project Four. We encourage interested parties to submit their feedback via our communication lines which include our dedicated project email address (contact@hornseaprojectfour.co.uk), and Freephone information line (**0800 169 3030**). Interested parties can also register their interest at our project website (www.hornseaprojects.co.uk/hornsea-project-four/) to receive regular updates on the project and our proposals.

Our consultation will also involve relevant parish and town councils, area committees, community groups, organisations representing local businesses, communities and town boards. We will work with your Local Planning Authority (LPA) East Riding of Yorkshire Council, among others, to identify key community groups. In addition, we will also be discussing our proposed project with a range of statutory and non-statutory consultees including:

- Local authorities – this includes the host authority and neighbouring local authorities
- Owners, tenants and occupiers of the land affected by the DCO application
- Commercial stakeholders (including asset owners and the fisheries industry)
- Environmental bodies

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6. What will we consult on?

We will be seeking feedback on aspects of our plans for Hornsea Project Four. We will encourage local communities to give their views about how our proposals may affect them or their area. For example, we will be seeking feedback to help develop our proposals regarding impacts such as, but not limited to:

- Environmental (eg. landscape and visual amenity, local/marine ecology, wildlife)
- Economic (eg. commercial activities such as shopping and fisheries, employment opportunities)
- Social (eg. Public Rights of Way, noise and vibration during construction)

More information will be available regarding technical aspects of the project or our proposals develop, which will then be discussed at our local information events.

7. Components of a typical offshore wind farm

Below is a graphic which shows the typical components of an offshore wind farm. When developing the plans for Hornsea Project Four we will be looking into the different options associated with each of these components.



8. Environmental information

In accordance with Regulation 12 of the Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017, we confirm that the project falls within the scope of the Environmental Impact Assessment Directive and, as such, we will be undertaking an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for Hornsea Project Four in accordance with Regulation 5 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. The methodology and scope of the EIA will be agreed with the relevant regulatory and environmental bodies, the SoS, and your LPA.

The following reports listed will be consulted in as part of the EIA process and as the DCO application is prepared:

Scoping Report – The Scoping Report will be informed by desk-based research on the existing offshore and onshore environments in the location of the proposed project and supported by surveys and data analysis. This report will present the key project parameters, otherwise known as the Project Envelope, which includes all associated onshore and offshore infrastructure and possible elements that make up the project. These elements will be subject to further refinement throughout the project development process.

Typical elements of an offshore wind farm are presented in the figure above. This report will also describe the methodologies that will be applied to further characterise the existing environments and how any potential impacts will be assessed?

1. A separate Habitats Regulations Assessment is required to inform consideration of the DCO. European conservation sites will also be protected.

2. A planning process in the form of a Scoping Opinion conducted by PHS will result in feedback on the best local consultation and/or other stakeholders.

Consultation Area



The core consultation zone is approximately 20km x 10km. It covers the area around the proposed project location, as well as the surrounding area. The map shows the core consultation zone in dark grey and the neighbouring local authorities in light grey.

Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) – Following the publication of the Scoping Report, a PEIR will be produced, which will provide an initial statement of the environmental information available for the Hornsea Project Four study area. The PEIR will build upon findings from the Scoping Report and feedback received through the consultation process. It will incorporate the findings of the surveys and initial assessments and will enable us to develop an initial overview of the potential environmental effects. We will be seeking feedback from local communities and other stakeholders on the PEIR near the consultation timeline in Section 10 for more details.

Environmental Statement (ES) – The ES will advance the content of the PEIR and continue to incorporate the responses from the consultation and results of the surveys undertaken. It will also describe any changes made to the project and any mitigation measures that need to be implemented. The ES will form part of the DCO application for submission.

Details of when these reports will be published can be found in Section 10 of the SoCC, which displays the consultation timeline. Copies of these reports will be made available as we conduct the public consultation.

9. Public consultation

The consultation process for the proposed Hornsea Project Four will be an iterative one as the design of the project evolves in response to the consultation. The following consultation process steps the consultation timeline, as presented in Section 10 of the SoCC.

Stakeholder briefings – Autumn/Winter 2018

Following publication of the SoCC, we will introduce community members to our proposals for Hornsea Project Four. This will include initial meetings with members of the community and stakeholders.

Local information events – Autumn/Winter 2018

Local information events will take place in October 2018. These will provide interested members of the local community with the opportunity to view the early stage proposals and a first community feedback. This will help shape the proposals for Hornsea Project Four, where more developed plans will be presented at local information events in January 2019.

Local information events – Summer/Autumn 2019

Local information events and further consultation will take place in January/Autumn 2019 and will run for at least 28 days. The statutory consultation, in accordance with Section 47 of the Planning Act, will allow us to update you on the project plans and show you how they have changed in response to feedback gathered from the consultation. At this stage you will also be able to provide feedback on our PEIR, as described in Section 8. More specific details of the formal consultation will be published through the appropriate channels in Section 14.



