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Good evening. The time is now 7pm. and I'd like to welcome this open floor hearing for the Hornsea Poor Home Project for Offshore Wind Farm. Before I formally open the open for hearing or introduce myself, I would just like to check with Mr. Johansson that I can be heard and that the live stream and the digital recording of the event has commenced.

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I can confirm that the livestream has started, the recording has started and I can see and hear you.

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Thank you very much. And as you can all hear me and the streaming and the recording of the event has started, I'd like to advise that this open floor hearing for the Hornsea project for Offshore Wind Farm, it's now open. My name is Jo Dowling. I'm a chartered town planner. I'm an examining inspector and I have been appointed by the secretary state to be the lead member of the examining authority of inspectors to examine this application. I'm joined here this evening by two of my colleagues who will now introduce themselves.

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Good evening. I'm Gavin Jones. I'm a chartered town planner and I'm also a planning inspector.

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Good evening. My name is Andrew Mahon. I have a background in ecology and Environmental Impact Assessment and I'm a chartered environmentalist and a chartered landscape architect.

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Thank you. The rest of the examining authority is made up of Mr. Stephen Bradley and Mr. Roger McArthur. There are two more colleagues in the Planning Inspectorate here this evening. You will have spoken to Mr. Johansson, the case manager for this project, an adjoining conference. And I'd now like to introduce Caroline Hopewell, who's also from the case team. In addition, there's a technician from CBS International who's attending solely for the purpose of managing the recording and the livestreaming of the hearing. I'd like to just deal with a few housekeeping matters. I know Mr.

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Johansson's touched on a few of these in the adjoining conference, but I'd just like to make sure that all audible notifications for electronic devices be switched off. Kind of also ask that to help reduce background noise unless you are speaking that you have your microphone turned off. No requests to be made for any special measures or arrangements to enable participation in this hearing. But I'd just like to confirm that this is correct.

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Can you please note that the chat function in teams is not being used this evening? So please do not send any messages via the chat as it is not being monitored. If at any point in this meeting you want to speak, can I ask for those of you that are on the team's call that you turn your camera on if it's turned off and you use the raise hand function in teams? I know we have two people joining us by phone this evening and in their instance, they just need to voice that they would like to comment.

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As I've mentioned, there's a digital recording being made of this hearing. This will be made available on the project page of National Infrastructure website. If you take part in this hearing, it is important that you understand that your comments will be recorded and that digital recording will be published and retained usually for a period of five years from the Secretary of State's decision. As such, the Planning Inspectorate is subject to the General Data Protection Regulations. It's very unlikely the extending authority will ask you to put sensitive personal information such as email addresses and economic, financial, cultural, health related matters into the public domain.

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Indeed, we would actively encourage you not to do so. I'd also like to mention that if we think you might be beginning to provide such information when you're talking, we may just need to interrupt you to remind you of the need to refrain from doing so. So I apologize in advance if this proves to be necessary. However, if for some reason you do feel that it's necessary for you to refer to sensitive personal information, we would encourage you to speak to the case team in the first instance. We would then explore with you whether the information can be provided in a written format which could be appropriately redacted before being published.

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For the purposes of identification and ease of reference. Could I ask every point in which you speak? Could you please give your name? And if you're representing an organization or individual who it is that you represent? Please bear in mind that the only official recording of the proceedings is that it's your digital recording that will be placed on the project page of the National Infrastructure website. Tweets, blogs and similar communications arising out of this meeting will not be accepted as evidence in examination of this application.

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The formal purpose of an open floor hearing is to discharge the examining authority's duty to interested parties who requested to be heard. An open floor hearing is an opportunity for interested parties to make their case on any relevant matter orally. It is therefore an opportunity for the examining authority to hear firsthand your thoughts about the application. As a result, although you received no request form requests for an open floor hearing, the Examining Authority considers it would be appropriate to hold such an event early in the examination process.

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We aim to temper efficiency with fairness and allow everyone who wishes to speak to have their say. As a result, we would request that you please make sure that your contributions to the point and focus so that we can make the best use of the time this evening and allow everyone who wishes to speak an opportunity to do so. It is the examining authority's intention to hear from interested parties. In the first instance, an interested party is identified by those persons set out under Section 102 of the Planning Act 2008 specifically and in relevance to this evening's hearing.

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It will mean that that person has made a relevant representation and has thus become an interested party. The open floor hearing will run until all interested parties have made that or representations and responded to the examining authority's exploration of any matters arising from them.

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The examining authority will then ask for any contributions from affected persons and affected person is someone who owns or has an interest in land or rights in lands that would need to be acquired either temporarily or permanently in order to enable the proposed development to be constructed or operated.

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The examining authority will then ask if any contributions from other persons. Another person is those persons who are not interested parties but who made representations after the close of the relevant representations period that before the preliminary meeting and finally the examining authority will then hear from any other non interested party who wishes to speak. The examining authority then intends to offer the applicant a right of response at the end of the meeting before we begin to establish those persons who wish to speak. Are there any questions on the conduct and management of this open floor hearing?

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I'm going to take it from the silence that that isn't. So I'm going to now move on to persons who wish to speak, because we only have a small number of people who have requested to speak this evening. We do not propose to limit the time available to you, however, to make the best use of time. Please remember that the examining authority will have already read any written submissions that you will have made, so they do not need to be repeated in full. If the examining authority considers that points are beginning to be repeated or the concerns that are being raised are not matters of examination, then we reserve the right to ask you to draw your contribution to a close.

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I currently have the following interested people persons requesting to speak Mrs. Taylor with relevant Rep o1 17 A mr. Taylor with relevant Rep o1 19. I believe that Mr. or Mrs. Taylor have doubled into this meeting. So if I can now ask you each to introduce yourselves and confirm that you still wish to speak.

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Mr. Johansson, do you know if Mr. or Mrs. Taylor is still on the line?

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They are still on the line. We're just unmuted themselves.

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Okay. So, Mrs. Taylor, if you were there, could you just introduce yourself and say that you're here?

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Yes. Hello. I'm Mrs. Taylor, and I am here.

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Lovely. Thank you. And I believe Mr. Taylor may be joining us if he thinks he needs to. Is that correct?

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Yes, that's correct. Yeah.

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Lovely. Can I just now check whether there is anyone else apart from Mr. or Mrs. Taylor who would like to speak this evening.

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I'm going to take it from the silence that there isn't. So Mr.. Mrs. Taylor, which I'd like to just explain to us what it is you'd like to talk to us about.

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Good evening. I have got five points written down that we would like to raise.

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George, go through those.

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Right. Starting point one is flooding in field number two, a03358605. This is situated on the east and northeast boundaries in an area of low lying land of approximately three acres with increasing climate change. Now, in summer and winter, after a period of heavy rain of of one inch or less, it holds water from the surrounding fields.

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It acts as an attenuation pond. This helps to prevent flooding towards Cottingham, which was badly flooded in July of 2007. It works in a similar way to the several attenuation chambers constructed around the local area. My husband, who has flown to all his working life, knows this area has tended to flood each year. Several attempts to drain it were unsuccessful, so it was sown with grass.

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A plan and photos taken in November of 2019 could be forwarded.

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Sorry, I think it might be easier if we actually deal with each of these points as you raise them. And in particular, I'd just like to raise a point with regards to the flow.

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I realize that you may not be completely okay with the process of applying for a development consent order, but we did actually ask a question when we set out a set of questions in March of this year where we picked up on the point that you'd made to new relevant representation with regards to three acres of land along the northern northeast boundary of a farm. And we actually asked if it was possible for you to provide the further detail that you actually referred to now and what you meant by natural that area and a plan map showing the location of the area.

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So just from the point you've raised, we actually did request that information. So be absolutely lovely. If you could now submit that as an action point from this evening's meeting so that that we can have a response to that question.

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Yes. Yes, that's fine.

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I just want to check with my colleague, Mr. Jones, who I know is dealing with flooding throughout the examination. If there's anything that you want to ask Mrs. Taylor with regards to the points that she's raised.

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No. Nothing specifically tonight. Thank you.

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Thank you. Okay. Sorry to interrupt you, Mrs. Taylor, but it just seemed important to raise the fact that we had obviously picked up on the point that you raised and actually asked a question, because I then ask you to move on to your next point.

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Yeah, right. And this regards field number three, a0334, four, six, seven two. Situated to the south, which is on the cable route. This field does have springs which will rise here and flow following a similar weather pattern to the first field I mentioned.

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Okay.

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Can I just get back to actually the first field that you mentioned? You've obviously covered that, that this field would be part of the proposed cable route. The fields that you mentioned that you're concerned that contain the attenuation pond, what works are proposed for those just for clarity.

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Right. That field, the proposal, the planning is for the converse stations and similar structure.

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Okay. Thank you. I just wanted that clarification. Thank you very much. Okay. And then your third point.

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The third point is security. Rural crime is on the increase. The street access road from the A 1079 to the site does not pass any dwellings and could attract unauthorized people.

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Okay. And then is that the proposed road or is that the existing road?

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That's the proposed.

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Route. So that's a new road that's coming off the main road. Okay. Thank you.

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And you're concerned that that's not overlooked.

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That is a new road which is proposed of CAA 1079, and that will allow access to all of the working areas and the site of the converter stations, etc..

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Okay. Thank you. And point number four.

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We feel the fire risk will increase here due to the close proximity of the converter stations and other structures. Access for emergency vehicles could be difficult in April of 2013. A massive blaze at the Creek Ipac substation in which thankfully no one was injured meant we were not allowed to leave the premises. The police panicked and had the wind direction changed.

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We and the ponies would have had to be evacuated.

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And when you say the issue of access, you're talking about your issue of exiting the site. You're talking about access full of fire and other emergency vehicles to the site to deal with any potential fires or both.

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Yes, it would be both. And we do have photos of that horrendous fire.

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Okay.

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Okay. And your fifth point.

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Right? The first point is the House in which which we occupy is mainly single glazed and the buildings and the surrounding pony paddocks will be subjected to noise, dust, vibration and light pollution due to the very close proximity of the converter station construction work to temporary working area and the cable route. The entire area we occupy will be surrounded and we do require access.

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Okay. Can I just pick you up in a couple of points with regards to that one you've obviously mentioned? Obviously, the impact on the dwelling, potentially impact on the dwelling house because it's single glazed. So that's an impact on your sales. But you've also mentioned, and I think you mentioned this in your relevant representation as well, an impact potentially impact on livestock. Do you want to just maybe expand on that a bit? Just explain what the concern there is?

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Right. Livestock they all turn is some of which are elderly and rescue ponies, which we planned to have here so that they could have a second chance of quiet peace and enjoyment

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and the impact that really could create an animal welfare issue. I do have a vets report regarding this,

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the ponies, welfare, etc., which we can forward to you.

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Well, what I would suggest you do is always she's always very helpful to us as the examining authority. Mrs. Taylor is there, if you wouldn't mind, if you can collate the points that you've made together tonight into a written format with any of the addendums that you've talked about, any of the additional evidence that you want us to consider, and if you can submit that at deadline three, which is I'm just looking at my list here. Thursday, the 21st of April, then obviously we can that builds upon the comments that you've made and we can take that into account when we're considering the application.

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Right. So

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if we put this basically down in writing, um, along with I've got a plan photos of a vets report and if you receive it before or by the 21st of April, then that will be given further consideration. Yes.

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Obviously, we've we've taken into account what we we'll take into account the comments that you're making this evening. That's the point of this of this meeting. But obviously, I will actually not, obviously, because I'm as is clear, you're not particularly au fait with the process itself, but this is a predominantly written process. And so what happens when we're considering this application and like say, a planning application, there's a lot of submission of information throughout the whole process. And so you have the opportunity to build on the comments that you submitted in your relevant representation with any further documents that you want us to consider.

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Because obviously, the more information we have, the more informed a decision that we can make when we report to the Secretary of State. So I'm more than happy for you to write down what we've discussed this evening with any of that background evidence that you feel necessary to support your case and to submit that at the next deadline.

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Right. Thank you very much. Thank you for allowing us to speak this evening.

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That's no problem. I'm just going to check with both my colleagues, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Jones, as to whether there's anything that they want to discuss with you as a result of the points that you've raised this evening. If I can just ask Mr. Jones first whether there's anything you want to ask Mr. or Mrs. Taylor.

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Nothing from me, thanks, but I've noted that down is an excellent point.

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Thank you. And Mr. Morgan is for anything that you'd like to raise with Mr. or Mrs. Taylor.

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No, I'm quite happy to wait for those submissions.

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Okay. I just. Again, Mrs. Taylor, I'd just like to draw your attention to the written questions that have been.

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Published by the examining authority and which have been responded to by the applicant. Because, again, just for your information from your relevant representation that you submitted, you raised a concern that there was a potential for parcel of land to become workable by modern agricultural machinery as a result of the proposed cable corridor. And we actually asked a question of the applicant on that in our written questions, and they have responded to that at the deadline.

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To the reference of the question was ACL 1.8. So if you want to, you can look that response up and it may well assure you, reassure you that your concerns have been addressed with regards to how that would work. Should consent be forthcoming with regards to continued working of the land after the works have happened?

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Right. Yes.

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And that that's all available on our website.

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Right?

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Q Okay. And Mr. Taylor, I realize that you reserve the right to comment. I just want to double check that there's nothing that you want to raise with this.

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No, I think that's fine.

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I think it's okay for that.

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Thank you very much.

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No problem. I'm just not going to ask if you can just stay on the line. I'm just going to give the applicant the opportunity to respond to any of the comments that you've made if they want to. So I'm not sure whose hear from the applicant this evening, but if they'd like to.

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And meet themselves and put their camera on. Are you wanting to respond?

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Good evening. My name is your muted.

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You're still muted.

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Hopefully you can hear me now.

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I can hear you. Thank you.

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Good evening. My name's Claire Broderick. I'm a solicitor at Pinsent Masons on behalf of the applicant Orsted Hornsea Project four Ltd. I'm joined this evening by Thomas Watts and John Galloway of the Applicant. I'll let them introduce themselves, but we appreciate that there's quite a lot of information, written information for this application and Mr. Watts can provide a response which might be helpful to Mr. or Mrs. Taylor in terms of guiding them to where the information is contained within the application on the Pin's website.

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And also, if there any particular documents that they would like us to send them, then we can obviously say, I'll hand over to Mr. Watts.

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Thomas Watts on, behalf of the applicant. Onshore consents for Hornsea Project four. And I'd just like to start by saying thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Taylor for taking the time out of their evening to participate in this open floor hearing. It's a fundamental part of the DCO process and it's really important that we get their views at this time. As Mr. Project mentioned, there would be more than happy to engage with Mr. or Mrs. Taylor in terms of the documents that have been submitted, particularly since the application was made, and notably our responses to the relevant representations and in addition, our local community liaison officer and the outcome of which Mr.

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or Mrs. Taylor have met previously. He can gladly help in terms of any submissions at deadline three, if that's useful to them. I'd just like to make a bit of a background here in terms of engagement with Mr. and Mrs. Taylor over the past three years, dating back to July 2008, which has been incredibly extensive and constructive on behalf of of Mr. Mrs. Taylor. This has taken the form of both statutory consultation as well as informal correspondence, notably with our local information or local community liaison officer via in-person meetings or catch ups.

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And this input has supplied the project with many useful comments and requests that have been integral to the formation of the project as it currently stands. Such really appreciated. The correspondence is largely taking place with a shared acknowledgement of the reasons behind the siting of the substation, but so is therefore focused on the specific concerns that have been raised and what can be done to mitigate potential impacts. And this is resulted in some notable changes to the project design, which includes amongst others, the amendments of the temporary compound area to be 150 metres to the north and 250 metres to the west of Mr.

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Mrs. Taylor's home. The removal of traffic options from the south of the substation site to the north via the 1879, which also feeds into a number of other community opinions from local interested parties that have had similar opinions. And I can just touch on that access from the comments that were mentioned by by Mrs. Taylor there, just to provide assurance that there will be security at the points of the access of the 1879. In terms of a gate, and it's certainly not in our interest to allow unauthorised vehicles onto the access tracks.

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So I can provide some assurance there. And that leads on to the the potential impact of fire service vehicles accessing the site. And we believe that the bespoke access off the Gate Road, in fact provides a good opportunity and an actual easier way or route to be substation site itself in the event of a fire. Although noting that we've submitted a risk report as part of our previous submissions, which is documents 020 and an updated version of our outline Energy Balancing Infrastructure Hazard Report, which is most recently 2029, which covers the potential risks of fire at the onshore substation and energy balancing infrastructure

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in addition.

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Can I just cut across that? You've mentioned that there would be a gate. Would that be should consent be forthcoming and obviously get built out? Is that a permanent feature or is that just for the duration of construction?

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The details of the case aren't determined, but there would be a gate during the operation of the substation itself. So we don't find the details, but it certainly be there in place.

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Thank you.

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Just just moving on to a few additional changes to the project. The access track as it enters the temporary compound area of the onshore substation is located in the far northern boundary. And this is to avoid the permanent access road reaching further south and taking access to the permanent substation site closer to Mr. Mrs. Taylor's home. And then finally, Mr. Mr. Taylor mentioned access via the access roads to to their home. And just to reassure that we have made commitments to cross that via trench list technology, which means that the onshore export cable corridor will be going underneath that access road.

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So whilst there will be a need for some crossing of vehicles over it, that translates technology as that to minimise disruption as far as possible.

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And then in addition to those changes, as part of discussions with Mr. or Mrs. Taylor and the landlord of their home, open wise, the applicant appointed a landscape architect to design a hedge line and species mix surrounding the property, which was planted in December 2021. This landscaping has been undertaken outwith the DCO EIA process in recognition of its temporal importance in order to allow time for the planting to mature. It is anticipated that this will have some additional advantages in respects of mitigating over and above that defined in the DCO, but it is not being relied upon within the EIA itself.

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In terms of surface water flood risk, which we thank Mr. Mrs. Taylor for the information and the photographs of that of that instance.

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Just stop you that you don't actually have access to those currently. So whatever you going to say needs to be caveated with that.

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Yes, sure. In terms of the the representations that they've made previously in respects of surface water flow, skepticism, descriptions of that location of the surface water flooding.

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We can fully empathize with the terrorism aspects of local impacts in this regard. But the onshore infrastructure projects assessment, which is document 098, has drawn upon all the baseline information available, which is from the Environment Agency East Riding of Yorkshire Council as local flood authority, and in addition some modelling work that was undertaken for the nearby creek back substation site and which has provided more information. And the flood risk assessment identifies the areas of flood risk and the necessary mitigation measures that would be needed to to avoid impacts in terms of impacts of the project on nearby land or dwellings.

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Commitment 19 and commitment one nine. One particularly important say which is secured under DCO requirements 13 and 15. And these have been set out to ensure that the design of the surface water drainage will attenuate, stall and release the surface water arising from Hornsea four. So we can just clarify that the drainage scheme is agreed with this issue and with Yorkshire Council and the EIA will facilitate all surface water flood risk issues on the site and will ensure that this does not impact any of the surrounding landowners.

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And this accounts for climate change predictions, as we've noted, that Mrs. Taylor has mentioned that the fact.

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Is that everything that you wanted to raise and Mr. was.

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Um. That's. That's just about everything. Yeah, we. We were just going to note that, um, noise, vibration and dust from construction. We've got nothing further to add from overinvest. Irrelevant representations.

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Well, I think what would probably be very helpful, I mean, whilst you've provided a very full and informed response is a lot of the documents that you refer to are quite complicated documents for even as professionals to wade our way through. So I would suggest that what might be the best way forward for Mr. or Mrs. Taylor to sort of circumnavigate having to do that is that once they've sent in the comments that they've raised this evening at deadline three, with the additional information that you may be, provide them with a written response deadline for to that to their concerns, highlighting the very specific bits in the flood risk assessment and the relevant documents that deal actually with their property.

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And in response to the concerns about those particularly fields and attenuation ponds that they've referred to as, I think that would probably be more helpful to them and may provide them with the assurances that they're seeking with regards to how the proposed development may affect their property. Are you happy to do that?

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Yes, simply for the applicant. We're absolutely fine to do that. We have a meeting organised with Mr. and Mrs. Taylor on the 21st of April to just run through them informally and any ongoing issues that

they have. And we're absolutely happy to have to follow up that at the following deadline with a signposting document for them to raise them in their existence. So, yes, we're happy to do that.

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Thank you. I'm just going to go back to Mr.. Mr.. Mrs. Taylor at this point, just to check that they're happy with that as a way forward. I don't expect them to respond to what Mr. Watts has had to say, because obviously they've had their opportunity to make their comments. But I just want to. It's more about the way forward. Are you happy, Mr. Mrs. Taylor, with that as a way forward in response to the comments that you've made?

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Yes. I think that would be very helpful. Yes.

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Q That's no problem at all. Okay. Then I'm just going to check now that there's no one else who wants to speak. I don't think there is, but I'll just do it for protocol.

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And on that basis, I'd like to thank you all very much for your participation in this hearing today, which has been extremely helpful and useful for us. A digital recording of the proceedings today will be made available as soon as possible on the project page of the National Infrastructure website. In addition, we request that you submit in writing the points that you made here today for publication on the website, as I've already mentioned. The deadline for that is a deadline three, which is Thursday, the 21st of April. We have had a number of action points that have arisen out of this meeting, mainly about submission of information and and responses to it.

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I think that's probably the easiest and also clearest for naught at trial purposes if we publish those, as we would with any action points on the project page of the nationally actual website in the next few days. So I'm proposing to take that forward in that way. If you have watched the live stream or the digital recording of today's events and you consider if you'd like to attend an open floor hearing, there is a further opportunity, if it's required for the examining authority to hold such a hearing during the week commencing Monday, the 18th of July 2022.

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If you'd like to request a further action for hearing, then please could you notify us in writing as soon as possible and no later than deadline five, which is the 20th of June 2022. The next hearing in this examination will be the issue specific hearing on the draft of a consent order, which is scheduled for tomorrow, Tuesday, the 12th of April. And it shall be followed by the compulsory acquisition hearing, which is on Wednesday 13th of April. Both of these events will be held virtually and will commence at 10 a.m..

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Further details of these events, including agendas, are available on the project page of the National Infrastructure website.

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If anyone who has attended this evening's hearing wishes to attend either of these events, then can you please email the case team this evening so that the relevant joining instructions can be sent to you? Though the time is now 734 and I'd like to thank you all on behalf of myself and Mr. Malone and Mr.

Jones and I declare this open for hearing for the Hornsea project for Offshore Wind Farm is now closed.			