

ORSTED HORNSEA PROJECT FOUR LIMITED

**SECTION 153 OF THE PLANNING ACT 2008 AND REGULATION 6 OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE
PLANNING (CHANGES TO, AND REVOCATION OF, DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDERS)
REGULATIONS 2011**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO MAKE A NON-MATERIAL CHANGE TO THE FOLLOWING
DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER:**

**THE HORNSEA FOUR OFFSHORE WIND FARM ORDER 2023 (SI 2023/800) AS CORRECTED BY
THE HORNSEA FOUR OFFSHORE WIND FARM (CORRECTION) ORDER 2024 (SI 2024/117)**

Notice is hereby given that an application has been made by Orsted Hornsea Project Four Limited (company number 08584182) of 5 Howick Place, London, England, SW1P 1WG (the “**Applicant**”) to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero to make a non-material change to the Hornsea Four Offshore Wind Farm Order 2023 (as corrected by the Hornsea Four Offshore Wind Farm (Correction) Order 2024 the “**Order**”) under the Planning Act 2008 (the “**NMC Application**”).

The Order includes provision authorising the construction, operation, maintenance and decommissioning of the Hornsea Project Four offshore wind farm together with associated offshore and onshore infrastructure and all associated development (“**Hornsea Four**”), on land approximately 69 kilometres from the East Riding of Yorkshire in the Southern North Sea, covering an area of approximately 600 square kilometres. Hornsea Four comprises the following key elements: up to 180 wind turbine generators; offshore transformer substations; offshore converter substations (High Voltage Direct Current system only); up to one offshore accommodation platform to house operations and maintenance staff; booster stations (High Voltage Alternating Current system only); subsea inter-array cables linking wind turbines to each other and to offshore substations; subsea interconnector cables linking the offshore substations to one another; subsea export cables to connect the wind farm to landfall; and cable protection.

The Order requires Orsted to construct an artificial nesting structure (“**ANS**”) for kittiwake, as a compensation measure for the potential impacts of Hornsea Four. Paragraph 3(d) of Part 2 of Schedule 16 of the Order requires the ANS to be in place at least four full breeding seasons before Hornsea Four becomes operational. The NMC Application seeks to make a non-material change to the Order to shorten the length of time the ANS needs to be in place before operation from at least four full breeding seasons to at least two full breeding seasons. The NMC is required to allow time for the construction of the ANS without impacting the programme for the operation of Hornsea Four and its provision of renewable energy to the National Grid. The NMC are needed to ensure that the appropriate and agreed kittiwake compensation measures are reflected in the Order, in order that construction and implementation of the Order is in accordance with its conditions.

A copy of the NMC Application and its accompanying documents are available for inspection, free of charge, via the Planning Inspectorate’s website at the below address until at least the end of the consultation period referred to below:

Planning Inspectorate website (documents tab):

<https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010098/documents>

If you require a hard copy of the NMC Application and its accompanying documents (for example because you do not have access to a computer and are unable to view the documents on PINS’ website), you can request hard copies by contacting Orsted at HornseaProjectFour@orsted.com or on: +447826663963. Each hard copy is available at the cost of £20 per copy.

Any representation about the NMC Application must be made by email to:
HornseaProjectFour@planninginspectorate.gov.uk, or in writing to:

National Infrastructure Planning, the Planning Inspectorate, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Bristol, BS1 6PN.

Please quote reference EN010098 on any correspondence. Consultation responses will be published on the relevant project page of the National Infrastructure Planning website.

Please note that representations must be received by the Planning Inspectorate by **11.59pm** on **10 June 2024**.

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2 May 2024