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**Subject:** Equinor Development Consent Order for the Proposed Sheringham Shoal and Dudgeon Offshore Wind Farm Extension Project - Request for Information  
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Dear Sir or Madam

**Planning Act 2008 and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010  
Application by Equinor New Energy Limited ("the Applicant") for an Order granting Development Consent for the proposed Sheringham Shoal and Dudgeon Offshore Wind Farm Extension Project ("the Proposed Development")**

Thank you for your consultation dated 22 November 2023.

Noise and Vibration – Trenchless Crossing Works at Night

**21. Oulton Parish Council, Broadland District Council, East Suffolk Council, Norfolk County Council, North Norfolk District Council and South Norfolk Council** are invited to comment on the Applicant's response to the Rule 17 letter [REP8-052, ID 14, page 31<sup>5</sup>], regarding restricting night time HDD works to emergencies to three locations only as specified by the ExA.

We note that the request relates to night time HDD works to emergencies to three locations only (A11 (RDX048), Cambridge to Norwich Railway (RLX002) and North Norfolk Railway line (RLX001) crossings), two of which fall into South Norfolk Council's Executive Area and the Secretary of State has asked whether the Councils consider that further restrictions are necessary regarding night-time work.

Requirement 20 of the draft DCO (Revision K) [REP8-005] and Section 3 of the Outline Code of Construction Practice (Revision G) (OCocP) [document reference 9.19] restricts onshore works to specified daytime hours. If any scheduled night time works are proposed, this would need to be agreed in advance with either Broadland District Council or South Norfolk Council as Local Planning Authority.

The Council's insisted that the DCO included that any works outside the agreed working hours would be subject to Section 61 application. A Section 61 application is agreed or refused on a site by site basis and would require specific and significant reasons to be agreed. This agreement is made by the Council's Environmental Management Officer who will apply such conditions to the agreement as they see fit based on the proposed works/times of works/location of works. As such it is not considered that any further restrictions on out of hours works is required as the developer is unable to undertake them without the permission of the Local Authority.

This response is on behalf of both Broadland District Council and South Norfolk Council.

Yours faithfully

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