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Dear John Weadon,

Please find attached Sussex IFCA's response to the below request for information regarding the proposed Rampion 2 Offshore Windfarm.

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Dr Jen Lewis  
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**Application by West Burton Solar Project Limited for an Order granting Development Consent for the proposed Rampion 2 Offshore Wind Farm.**

Dear Sir/Madam,

A letter from the Secretary of State (SoS) which requires your attention has been published on the National Infrastructure Planning website.

You can view the letter using the website address (URL) below:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/ipc/uploads/projects/EN010117/EN010117-002282-Information%20Request%20Letter%2025.11.24%20Rampion%202.pdf>

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Yours faithfully,



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Dr Jen Lewis, Conservation and Research Manager

3<sup>rd</sup> December 2024

Dear Mr Wheadon,

**RE: Rampion 2 - Request for information**  
**Ref: EN010117**

Sussex Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority's (IFCA) has been asked to comment on:

**Piling restrictions**

7. The Secretary of State notes that concerns were raised regarding underwater noise disturbance on black seabream and seahorses. The Applicant, NE, SIFCA, and the MMO should provide views on the following possible wording for a new Condition 26 of the DML:

“(26) - There shall be no piling associated with the authorised development between the dates of 01 March to 31 July inclusive, unless otherwise agreed to by the MMO and the statutory nature conservation body.”

Sussex IFCA agrees that the above wording would provide protection for black bream spawning populations, which is an important commercial species and conservation feature of Kingmere Marine Conservation Zone that is also sensitive to underwater noise (as detailed in previous responses to the consultation). Sussex IFCA's current fisheries management within Kingmere MCZ is seasonal (April-June) to coincide with the primary spawning season, however Natural England's Conservation Advice for black bream spawning seasonality has recently changed to March-July, which will be considered in Sussex IFCA's next review of management.

On behalf of the Authority,

Yours sincerely,

A solid black rectangular box used to redact the signature of Dr Jen Lewis.

Dr Jen Lewis  
Sussex IFCA