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#### **Glossary of Acronyms**

AfL	Agreement for Lease
CCUS	Carbon Capture Usage and Storage
DCO	Development Consent Order
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
ExA	Examining Authority
HE	Historic England
HRA	Habitat Regulations Assessment
IFP	Instrument Flight Procedures
IoMSPC	Isle of Man Steam Packet Company
IoMTSC	Isle of Man Government Territorial Sea Committee
JNCC	Joint Nature Conservation Committee
MCA	Maritime and Coastguard Agency
MMO	Marine Management Organisation
NATS	National Air Traffic Services
NE	Natural England
NFFO	National Federation of Fishermen's Organisations
NRW	Natural Resources Wales
OSP	Offshore Substation Platform
PAD	Principal Areas of Disagreement
PEIR	Preliminary Environmental Information Report
PINS	Planning Inspectorate
PLC	Public Limited Company
RAF	Royal Air Force
RSPB	Royal Society for the Protection of Birds
RR	Relevant Representation
REWS	Radar Early Warning Systems
SoCG	Statement of Common Ground
TBC	To Be Confirmed
TH	Trinity House
UK	United Kingdom
WoDS	West of Duddon Sands
WTG	Wind Turbine Generator
WFA-CPC	Welsh Fishermen's Association - Cymdeithas Pysgotwyr Cymru (WFA-CPC)



#### **Glossary of Units**

km	kilometre
km²	square kilometre
MW	Megawatt

#### **Glossary of Terminology**

Agreement for Lease (AfL)	Agreements under which seabed rights are awarded following the completion of The Crown Estate tender process.
Applicant	Morecambe Offshore Windfarm Ltd
Generation Assets (the Project)	Generation assets associated with the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm. This is infrastructure in connection with electricity production, namely the fixed foundation wind turbine generators (WTGs), inter-array cables, offshore substation platform(s) (OSP(s)) and possible platform link cables to connect OSP(s).
Inter-array cables	Cables which link the WTGs to each other and the OSP(s).
Wind turbine generator (WTG)	A fixed structure located within the windfarm site that converts the kinetic energy of wind into electrical energy.
Windfarm site	The area within which the WTGs, inter-array cables, OSP(s) and platform link cables would be present.



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#### 1 Introduction

- 1. This document has been prepared to support a Development Consent Order (DCO) application by Morecambe Offshore Windfarm Ltd (hereafter 'the Applicant') for Morecambe Offshore Windfarm Generation Assets ('the Project').
- On 23 September 2024, the Examining Authority (ExA) published the Rule 6
  Letter in relation to the Examination of the application by the Applicant for the
  Project.
- 3. The Rule 6 letter sets out a requirement for submission of a Pre-examination Progress Tracker, Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) and a Statement of Commonality (or as combined with the Progress Tracker) in the draft examination timetable. This Progress Tracker and Statement of Commonality therefore reports on what the Applicant considers are the principal and other notable issues in the Examination, in addition to capturing the commonality between the Applicant and each party with whom the ExA has requested a SoCG.
- 4. SoCGs are being prepared between the Applicant and other parties to set out areas where there is agreement, areas of disagreement, and areas which remain under discussion in relation to the DCO application.
- 5. The Applicant understands it would be helpful and reduce duplication if the Statement of Commonality could be combined with the Examination Progress Tracker at the earliest opportunity (noting that the Rule 6 does not ask for a Statement of Commonality until Deadline 2). This document therefore presents the Examination Progress Tracker together with progress on SoCGs.
- 6. The Examination Progress Tracker and Statement of Commonality is intended to be a live document and the tables will be updated throughout the Examination. The first submission was the Procedural Deadline A (15 October 2024), and subsequently submitted at Examination Deadline 1 (26 November 2024). It will be subsequently submitted at Examination Deadline 2 (12 December 2024). A mid-Examination Progress Tracker and Statement of Commonality will be submitted at Deadline 4 (18 February 2025) and the Close of Examination Progress Tracker (and Final Statement of Commonality will be submitted at Deadline 6 (15 April 2025). Deadlines are defined in the Rule 8 letter.

#### 2 Overview of the Project

7. The Morecambe Offshore Windfarm is a proposed offshore windfarm located in the Eastern Irish Sea, which when fully operational, would have an anticipated nominal capacity of 480 Megawatts (MW) and would have the



- potential to generate renewable power for over 500,000 homes in the United Kingdom (UK).
- 8. The windfarm was one of six projects selected by The Crown Estate in its Offshore Wind Leasing Round 4 in 2021. The Agreement for Lease (AfL) for the windfarm was received in 2023.
- 9. The AfL comprises an area of up to 125km² and reflects the windfarm site assessed in the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR). Following design development, surveys, assessments and consultation on the PEIR, the proposed windfarm site development area has been reduced to approximately 87km².
- 10. The 'Project' relates to the Generation Assets of the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm (including wind turbine generators (WTGs), inter-array cables, offshore substation platforms (OSP(s)), and possible platform link cables to connect OSP(s)).
- 11. The key Project components briefly comprise:
  - Up to 35 WTGs and their associated foundations
  - Up to two OSPs and their associated foundations and platform link cables
  - Inter-array cables
  - Scour protection around foundations and subsea cable protection, where required
- 12. A separate consent for the Transmission Assets associated with the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm and the Morgan Offshore Wind Project (another proposed windfarm to be located in the Irish Sea) is being sought.

#### 3 Methodology

- 13. This Examination Progress Tracker has been prepared in response to the ExA's Rule 6 letter (PD-007) requesting an Examination Progress Tracker. It has been presented in the form of a table, reporting on what the ExA (in the Rule 6 letter, Appendix C) considers are the principal and other notable issues in the Examination.
- 14. **Table 4.1** sets out the principal issues, logs the Interested Parties that have raised them, summarises the concern(s)/objection(s) and the progress being made towards resolution.
- 15. The Examination Progress Tracker combines the Statement of Commonality as suggested by the ExA. The table sets out where a SoCG is being progressed and its status in **Table 5.1**. For full details of the items under



- discussion with each stakeholder, please refer to the relevant SoCG (once available).
- 16. For ease of reference, the table uses a 'traffic-light' system to guide the reader to the likelihood of resolving the issues as shown in **Table 3.1**.

Table 3.1 Position definitions and colour coding

<b>Position Colour</b>	Definition
Agreed	Agreed The matter is considered to be agreed between the parties.
Not Agreed – no	Not Agreed – no material impact
material impact	The matter is not agreed between the parties; however, the outcome of the approach taken by either the Applicant or other parties is not considered to result in a material impact to the assessment conclusions.
Not Agreed –	Not Agreed – material impact
material impact	The matter is not agreed between the parties and the outcome of the approach taken by either the Applicant or other parties is considered to result in a materially different impact to the assessment conclusions.
In Discussion	In Discussion
	The matter is neither 'agreed' or 'not agreed' and is a matter where further discussion is required between parties, for example, final wording of DCO conditions or where further information sharing/clarification is required.

17. The summary of the issues and the assessment of likely progress are based upon the Relevant Representations (RRs) that have been submitted. They also reflect the ongoing discussions between the Applicant and other stakeholders.



### 4 Examination Progress Tracker

Table 4.1 Examination Progress Tracker

Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status		
1. Aviation and Rad	1. Aviation and Radar					
Effects on safety and operations of civil and military aviation including search and rescue	Assessment of effects to civil or military aviation and proposed mitigation	BAE Systems Marine Limited	The Applicant will look to progress this issue and mitigation with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Two meetings have been held in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>		
		Defence Infrastructure Organisation (Warton and Royal Air Force (RAF) Valley) DIO are liaising with BAE Systems (Operations) Ltd in regard to Warton Aerodrome	The Applicant will look to progress this issue and mitigation with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Three meetings have been held in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b> It is noted a joined SoCG between the DIO and BAE Systems (operations) Ltd is being progressed (for Warton Aerodrome) in addition to a separate SoCG with the DIO for other matters.		
		Blackpool Airport Ltd	Provision is made within the draft DCO for the required IFP amendments and a draft statement of intent between parties has been progressed to support the development of the SoCG.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>		

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
			The Applicant will look to progress this issue and mitigation with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Two meetings have been undertaken in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.	
	Effects on access to, and the operations of and oil and gas development.	Spirit Energy	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. A meeting has been held in response to their submitted RR. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
		Chrysaor Resources (Irish Sea) Limited/Harbour Energy plc	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Two meetings have been held in response to their submitted RR. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
	Effects on access to, and the operations of, existing offshore infrastructure including operational offshore wind farms -	Other wind operators who have made RRs: Burbo Extension Ltd and	The Applicant will look to progress issues with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Engagement via email has been initiated in response to	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
	Assessment of effects to civil or military aviation and proposed mitigation	Walney Extension Limited	their submitted RR, and a meeting subsequently held. Discussions are ongoing.	
Effects to radar, including Primary Surveillance Systems, at Lowther Hill, St Annes, Great Dun Fell, Warton Aerodromes	Assessment and mitigation of effects on air traffic radars at Lowther Hill, St Annes and Great Dun Fell	NATS (En Route) plc	Provision is made within the draft DCO for the required radar mitigation. The contracts in relation to mitigation are being discussed by each parties' legal teams.  The Applicant will look to progress this issue and mitigation with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Two meetings have been held in response to their RR and SoCG development.  Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
	Assessment and mitigation of effects on air traffic radars at Warton Aerodrome	Defence Infrastructure Organisation (DIO) DIO are liaising with BAE Systems (Operations) Ltd	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Three meetings have been held in response to their RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b> (noting a SoCG would be progressed joined with the DIO).

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
	Assessment and mitigation of effects on air traffic radars at Ronaldsway Airport	Isle of Man Government Territorial Sea Committee (IoM TSC)	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Three meetings have been held in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG with IoM TSC (with no separate SoCG with Ronaldsway Airport required) – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
2. Biodiversity and	Ecology			
Benthic ecology and marine physical	Matters relating to benthic ecology,	IoM TSC	The Applicant considers matters are agreed.	Matters confirmed in the SoCG  – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
processes, including dredging and contamination	offshore habitats and species and physical processes	Joint Nature Conservation Committee (JNCC)	No specific comments from JNCC have been provided <sup>1</sup> . The Applicant has been informed by Natural England (NE) that they do not wish to undertake in the SoCG process but via submission of their issues tracker and Principal Areas of Disagreement (PAD).	Matters will be noted in an updated issues tracker and PAD by NE. No SoCG will be pursued between the Applicant and JNCC.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Natural England's remit extends to the territorial sea adjacent to England, up to the 12 nautical mile limit from the coastline. The Examining Authority should note that pursuant to an authorisation made by the JNCC under the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006, Natural England is authorised to exercise the JNCC's functions as a statutory consultee in respect of applications for offshore renewable energy installations in offshore waters (0-200nm) adjacent to England.



Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
			NE have stated that they will be representing the views of JNCC (RR-061) and these will be incorporated into the NE issues tracker and PAD.	
		Marine Management Organisation (MMO)	The Applicant will seek to confirm matters are agreed following responses provided to their RR. Two meetings have been held postapplication to discuss the draft SoCG.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
		NE	The Applicant has provided clarifications in response to RRs (and two meetings have taken place) and will undertake any further discussions as required with NE to resolve issues.  The Applicant has been informed by NE that they do not wish to undertake in the SoCG process but via submission of their issues tracker and PAD.	Matters will be noted in an updated issues tracker and PAD by NE. No SoCG will be pursued between the Applicant and NE.
Fish and shellfish ecology		IoM TSC	The Applicant considers matters are agreed.	Matters confirmed in the SoCG  – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
		ММО	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
			resolution. Two meetings have been held in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.	
		NE	The Applicant has provided clarifications in response to RRs (and two meetings have taken place) and will undertake any further discussions as required with NE to resolve issues.  The Applicant has been informed by NE that they do not wish to undertake in the SoCG process but via submission of their issues tracker and PAD.	Matters will be noted in an updated issues tracker and PAD by NE. No SoCG will be pursued between the Applicant and NE.
		Natural Resources Wales (NRW)	NRW have not provided specific comments and are understood to be providing these at Deadline 1.  Meetings have been held post submission. The Applicant will	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
		National Federation of	engage further once comments on the Application have been received.  The Applicant will look to	Issues to be addressed in the
		Fishermen's Organisations (NFFO)	progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with	SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
		and Welsh Fishermen's Association - Cymdeithas Pysgotwyr Cymru (WFA-CPC)	a view to agreeing a resolution. A meeting was held to discuss their submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.	
Marine mammal ecology	3	JNCC	No specific comments from JNCC have been provided <sup>2</sup> . The Applicant has been informed by NE that they do not wish to undertake in the SoCG process but via submission of their issues tracker and PAD.  NE have stated that they will be representing the views of JNCC (RR-061) and these incorporated into the NE issues tracker and PAD.	Matters will be noted in an updated PAD by NE.  No SoCG will be pursued between the Applicant and JNCC.
		IoM TSC	The Applicant considers matters are agreed.	Matters confirmed in the SoCG  – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
		ММО	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Two meetings have been held in response to their	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Natural England's remit extends to the territorial sea adjacent to England, up to the 12 nautical mile limit from the coastline. The Examining Authority should note that pursuant to an authorisation made by the JNCC under the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006, Natural England is authorised to exercise the JNCC's functions as a statutory consultee in respect of applications for offshore renewable energy installations in offshore waters (0-200nm) adjacent to England.



Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
			submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.	
		NE	The Applicant has provided clarifications in response to RRs (and two meetings have taken place) and will undertake any further discussions as required with NE to resolve issues.  The Applicant has been informed by NE that they do not wish to undertake in the SoCG process but via submission of their issues tracker and PAD.	Matters will be noted in an updated issues tracker and PAD by NE. No SoCG will be pursued between the Applicant and NE.
	Matters relating to marine mammal ecology in relation to Welsh designated sites and cumulative effects.	NRW	NRW have not provided specific comments and are understood to be providing these at Deadline 1.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
			Meetings have been held post submission. The Applicant will engage further once comments on the Application have been received.	
Ornithology	Matters relating to marine ornithology including assessment of effects, cumulative	IoM TSC	The Applicant considers matters are agreed, noting residual concerns stated by the IoM TSC.	Matters confirmed in the SoCG  – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
	impacts and mitigations proposed	NE	The Applicant has provided clarifications in response to RRs (and two meetings have taken place) and will undertake any further discussions as required with NE to resolve issues.  The Applicant has been informed by NE that they do not wish to undertake in the SoCG process but via submission of their issues tracker and PAD.	Matters will be noted in an updated issues tracker and PAD by NE. No SoCG will be pursued between the Applicant and NE.
		Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB)	The Applicant will look to progress ornithology issues with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Two meetings have been held in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
	JNCC	No specific comments from JNCC have been provided <sup>3</sup> . The Applicant has been informed by NE that they do	Matters will be noted in an updated issues tracker and PAD by NE.	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Natural England's remit extends to the territorial sea adjacent to England, up to the 12 nautical mile limit from the coastline. The Examining Authority should note that pursuant to an authorisation made by the JNCC under the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006, Natural England is authorised to exercise the JNCC's functions as a statutory consultee in respect of applications for offshore renewable energy installations in offshore waters (0-200nm) adjacent to England.



Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
			not wish to undertake in the SoCG process but via submission of their issues tracker and PAD.	No SoCG will be pursued between the Applicant and JNCC.
			NE have stated that they will be representing the views of JNCC (RR-061) and these incorporated into the NE issues tracker and PAD.	
	Matters relating to marine ornithology and ecology in relation to Welsh designated sites	NRW	NRW have not provided specific comments and are understood to be providing these at Deadline 1.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
			Meetings have been held post submission. The Applicant will engage further once comments on the Application have been received.	
3. Commercial Fish	eries			
Displacement of any fishing activities, adequacy of mitigation measures and approach to monitoring and any consequent social, economic or	Assessment of baseline data	NFFO and WFA-CPC	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. A meeting has been held in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
environmental effects		Flemish Agency for Agriculture and Fisheries	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. A meeting has been requested in response to their submitted RR, with no response to date.	Status in <b>Table 5.1</b> (noting a SoCG has not been requested by the ExA)
		IoM TSC	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Three meetings have been undertaken in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development.  Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
	Assessment and proposed mitigation of effects on commercial fishing including the Outline Fisheries Liaison and Coexistence Plan	NFFO and WFA-CPC	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. A meeting has been held in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
		IoM TSC	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Three meetings have been held in response to	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
			their submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.	
		Flemish Agency for Agriculture and Fisheries	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. A meeting has been requested in response to their submitted RR, with no response to date.	Status in <b>Table 5.1</b> (noting a SoCG has not been requested by the ExA)
4. Habitats Regula	tions Assessment (HRA	)		
Interrogation of data and information on which the HRA would be based	Collision Risk Modelling and the applicant's displacement assessments and subsequent apportioning	NE	The Applicant has provided clarifications in response to RRs (and two meetings have taken place) and will undertake any further discussions as required with NE to resolve issues.  The Applicant has been informed by NE that they do not wish to undertake in the SoCG process but via submission of their issues tracker and PAD.	Matters will be noted in an updated issues tracker and PAD by NE. No SoCG will be pursued between the Applicant and NE.
		NRW	NRW have not provided specific comments and are understood to be providing these at Deadline 1.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
			Meetings have been held post submission. The Applicant will engage further once comments on the Application have been received.	
		RSPB	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Two meetings have been undertaken in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development.  Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
Screening of protected sites, likely significant effects, and those taken forward for assessment	The approach the Applicant has taken to the HRA screening and assessment	NE	The Applicant has provided clarifications in response to RRs (and two meetings have taken place) and will undertake any further discussions as required with NE to resolve issues.  The Applicant has been informed by NE that they do not wish to undertake in the SoCG process but via submission of their issues tracker and PAD.	Matters will be noted in an updated issues tracker and PAD by NE. No SoCG will be pursued between the Applicant and NE.
		NRW	NRW have not provided specific comments and are understood to be providing these at Deadline 1.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
			Meetings have been held post submission. The Applicant will engage further once comments on the Application have been received.	
		RSPB	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Two meetings have been held in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
Likelihood of adverse effects on the integrity of habitat sites including information to assess any potential derogation	Presentation of data and conclusion that the project would not have an adverse effect alone or in-combination on the integrity of the designated sites	NE	The Applicant has provided clarifications in response to RRs (and two meetings have taken place) and will undertake any further present information at Deadline 1. Discussions are required with NE to discuss resolution.  The Applicant has been informed by NE that they do not wish to undertake in the SoCG process but via	Matters will be noted in an updated issues tracker and PAD by NE. No SoCG will be pursued between the Applicant and NE.
			submission of their issues tracker and PAD.  Discussions are on-going between NE and the Applicant on the development of 'without	

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
			prejudice' compensation measures.	
		NRW	NRW have not provided specific comments and are understood to be providing these at Deadline 1.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
			Meetings have been held post submission. The Applicant will engage further once comments on the Application have been received.	
		RSPB	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Two meetings have been held in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.  Discussions are on-going between the RSPB and the Applicant on the development of 'without prejudice' compensation measures.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
		IoM TSC	The Applicant considers matters are agreed.	Matters to be confirmed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
In-combination effects	' '	NE	The Applicant has committed to providing gap filling data at Deadline 1 and will undertake any further discussions as required with NE to resolve issues.  The Applicant has been informed by NE that they do not wish to undertake in the SoCG process but via submission of their issues tracker and PAD.	Matters will be noted in an updated issues tracker and PAD by NE. No SoCG will be pursued between the Applicant and NE.
		NRW	NRW have not provided specific comments and are understood to be providing these at Deadline 1.  Meetings have been held post submission. The Applicant will engage further once comments on the Application have been received.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
		RSPB	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Two meetings have been held in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
Deliverability of potential compensation	potential delivery	Spirit Energy	The Applicant agrees that the proposed without prejudice compensation at Barrow Gas Terminal will not be progressed further.	N/A
		NE	The Applicant has provided clarifications in response to RRs and will undertake any further discussions as required with NE to resolve issues.  The Applicant has been informed by NE that they do not wish to undertake in the SoCG process but via submission of their issues tracker and PAD.  Discussions are on-going between NE and the Applicant on the delivery of 'without prejudice' compensation measures.	Matters will be noted in an updated issues tracker and PAD by NE. No SoCG will be pursued between the Applicant and NE.
		NRW	NRW have not provided specific comments and are understood to be providing these at Deadline 1.  Meetings have been held post submission. The Applicant will engage further once comments on the Application have been received.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
		RSPB	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Two meetings have been held in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.  Discussions are on-going between the RSPB and the Applicant on the delivery of 'without prejudice' compensation measures.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
5. Other Offshore In	nfrastructure and Other S	Sea Users		
Oil and gas infrastructure owners and operators who have made RRs	Issues relating to oil and gas infrastructure including:  • Assessment of effects on Radar Early Warning Systems (REWS) and microwave communications  • Impacts affecting mutually exclusive simultaneous operations (marine and aviation)	Spirit Energy	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. A meeting has been held in response to their submitted RR. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
	<ul> <li>Impacts affecting futures operations such as Carbon Capture Usage and Storage (CCUS)</li> </ul>			
	Issues relating to oil and gas infrastructure	Chrysaor Resources (Irish Sea) Limited/Harbour Energy plc	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Two meetings have been held in response to their submitted RR. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
Telecommunications and electricity transmission infrastructure	Proximity of Telecommunications and electricity transmission infrastructure to the Project	Vodafone group Public Limited Company (PLC)	Provision is made within the Draft DCO (protective provisions).  A meeting has been held and parties have agreed that no alternative mechanism for coexistence is required.  Further discussions regarding the proposed windfarm site layout to be held to determine the need for a proximity agreement.	No SoCG will be pursued between the Applicant and Vodafone group Public Limited Company (PLC) (noting also no RR was made).
		EXA Infrastructure Express UK Limited	Provision is made within the Draft DCO (protective provisions).  A meeting has been held and parties have agreed that no	No SoCG will be pursued between the Applicant and EXA Infrastructure Express UK Limited (noting also no RR was made).

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
			alternative mechanism for co- existence is required.  Further discussions regarding the proposed windfarm site layout to be held to determine the need for a proximity agreement. Discussions on crossing agreements would also be required, as appropriate.	
Other offshore renewable energy installations (wind and transmission operators both existing and proposed) who have made RRs	Assessment of effects to existing and proposed infrastructure including search and rescue, shipping and navigation and wake effects	Other wind operators who have made RRs: Barrow Offshore Wind Limited Burbo Extension Ltd Morecambe Wind Limited (West of Duddon Sands (WoDS)) ScottishPower Renewables (WoDS) Ltd Walney (UK) Offshore Windfarms Limited Walney Extension Limited and Ørsted Burbo (UK) Limited	The Applicant will look to progress issues with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Engagement via email has been initiated in response to their submitted RR, and a meeting subsequently held. Discussions are ongoing. The issue is considered to be capable of resolution.	Issues to be addressed in a SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b> It has been agreed with Ørsted Interested Parties that a joint SoCG would be submitted for all projects, noting that ScottishPower Renewables (WoDS) Ltd are represented under Morecambe Wind Limited in the joint SoCG.
Recreational sea users	N/A	N/A	No interested party has submitted a RR that makes comment in respect of	N/A

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
			recreational sea users. This item has been included for completeness as a matter noted as a 'principal issue' in the Rule 6 letter.	
Mechanisms for co- existence and/ or co-operation	ence and/ or offshore renewable	Other wind operators who have made RRs: Mona Offshore Wind Limited and Morgan Offshore Wind Limited	Parties have agreed that no formal mechanism for co-existence is required.	No SoCG will be pursued between the Applicant and either Mona Offshore Wind Limited or Morgan Offshore Wind Limited.
		Vodafone group Public Limited Company (PLC)	Provision is made within the Draft DCO (protective provisions).  A meeting has been held and parties have agreed that no alternative mechanism for coexistence is required.	No SoCG will be pursued between the Applicant and Vodafone group PLC (noting also no RR was made).
		EXA Infrastructure Express UK Limited	Provision is made within the Draft DCO (protective provisions).  A meeting has been held and parties have agreed that no alternative mechanism for coexistence is required.	No SoCG will be pursued between the Applicant and EXA Infrastructure Express UK Limited (noting also no RR was made).
		Chrysaor Resources (Irish Sea) Limited/Harbour Energy plc	A draft Co-existence Agreement was shared with Chrysaor Resources (Irish Sea) Limited/ Harbour Energy plc before submission by the Applicant. Discussions are	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
			ongoing in relation to a revised agreement that will be acceptable to both parties.  Two meetings have been held in response to their submitted RR. Discussions are ongoing.	
		Spirit Energy	A draft Co-existence Agreement was shared with Spirit Energy before submission by the Applicant. Discussions are ongoing in relation to a revised agreement that will be acceptable to both parties. A meeting has been held in response to their submitted RR. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
6. Shipping and Nav	vigation			
Safe marine navigation including to existing and proposed facilities	Assessment of effects and mitigations on Shipping and Navigation	Chrysaor Resources (Irish Sea) Limited/ Harbour Energy plc	The Applicant will look to progress issues with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Two meetings have been undertaken in response to their submitted RR. Discussions are ongoing.  The issue is considered to be capable of resolution.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
		Spirit Energy	The Applicant will look to progress issues with relevant	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
			Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. A meeting has been held in response to their submitted RR. Discussions are ongoing. The issue is considered to be capable of resolution.	
		Other wind operators who have made RRs: Barrow Offshore Wind Limited Burbo Extension Ltd Morecambe Wind Limited (WoDS), ScottishPower Renewables (WoDS) Ltd, Walney (UK) Offshore Windfarms Limited Walney Extension Limited and Ørsted Burbo (UK) Limited	The Applicant will look to progress issues with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Engagement via e-mail has been initiated in response to their submitted RR, and a subsequent meeting held. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in a SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b> It has been agreed with Ørsted Interested Parties that a joint SoCG would be submitted for all projects, noting that ScottishPower Renewables (WoDS) Ltd are represented under Morecambe Wind Limited in the joint SoCG.
		BAE Systems Marine Limited	Two meetings have been held in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development and this matter has been resolved.	Issues have been addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
Maintenance of safe marine navigation		Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA)	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. An initial meeting has been held in response to their submitted RR and further correspondence undertaken in relation to the development of the SoCG. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
		Trinity House (TH)	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Two meetings have been held in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
		The UK Chamber of Shipping	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. An initial meeting has been held in response to their submitted RR and further correspondence undertaken in relation to the development of the SoCG. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
	Outline Vessel Traffic Management Plan	TH	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Two meetings have been held in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
		MCA	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. An initial meeting has been held in response to their submitted RR and further correspondence undertaken in relation to the development of the SoCG. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
	Compliance with Marine Guidance Note 654, assessment and mitigations proposed including outline vessel traffic management plan, design layout principles and outline offshore operation and maintenance plan	MCA	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. An initial meeting has been held in response to their submitted RR and further correspondence undertaken in relation to the development of the SoCG. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
Effects on routeing and operations of Effects on shipping routing including	lifeline/scheduled ferry	IoM TSC	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Three meetings have been held in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
social, economic or environmental effects	ocial, economic or nvironmental	Isle of Man Steam Packet Company (IoM SPC)	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. An initial meeting has been held in response to their submitted RR and further correspondence undertaken in relation to the development of the SoCG. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
		Stena Line	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Three meetings meeting have been held in response to their submitted RR. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
	MCA	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>	

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
			resolution. An initial meeting has been held in response to their submitted RR and further correspondence undertaken in relation to the development of the SoCG. Discussions are ongoing.	
		The UK Chamber of Shipping	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. An initial meeting has been held in response to their submitted RR and further correspondence undertaken in relation to the development of the SoCG. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
	Consequent social, economic or environmental effects	Stena Line Ltd	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. Three meetings have been held in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
		The UK Chamber of Shipping	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. An initial meeting	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
			has been held in response to their submitted RR and further correspondence undertaken in relation to the development of the SoCG. Discussions are ongoing.	
		IoM SPC	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. A meeting has been undertaken in response to their submitted RR and further correspondence undertaken in relation to the development of the SoCG. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
Assessment of effects on Search and Rescue operations	Assessment of effects on Search and Rescue operations	MCA	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. A meeting has been undertaken in response to their submitted RR and further correspondence undertaken in relation to the development of the SoCG. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
Effects to marine communications and mobile radar operations	Effects to marine communications and mobile radar operations	Effects to marine communications and mobile radar operations were not raised by any	It is noted that this item is incorporated into 'Safe marine navigation including to existing and proposed facilities' above.	N/A

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status						
		shipping and navigation stakeholders within RRs.	This item has been included for completeness as a matter noted as a 'principal issue' in the Rule 6 letter.							
7. Project wide considerations										
Effects to marine archaeology and setting of terrestrial heritage assets	Effects on marine archaeology	Historic England (HE)	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. A meeting has been held in response to their submitted RR, noting preference to submit the initial SoCG at Deadline 2 following written representations. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>						
	Effects on setting of terrestrial heritage assets including World Heritage Sites	HE	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. A meeting has been held in response to their submitted RR, noting preference to submit the initial SoCG following written representations. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>						
	Adequacy of Outline Offshore Written Scheme of Investigation for	HE	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>						

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
	archaeology and Protocol for Archaeological Discoveries		resolution. A meeting has been held in response to their submitted RR, noting preference to submit the initial SoCG following written representations. Discussions are ongoing.	
	Protocol for Archaeological Discoveries  Proposed temporary and permanent Archaeological Exclusion Zones and their radius or extent  Principles for cable laying and protection  Consideration of the indirect, secondary and	HE	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. A meeting has been held in response to their submitted RR, noting preference to submit the initial SoCG following written representations. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
	· ·	HE	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. A meeting has been held in response to their submitted RR, noting preference to submit the initial SoCG following written representations. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
Cumulative effects with other offshore wind farms and		NE	The Applicant will undertake any further discussions as	Matters will be noted in an updated issues tracker and PAD by NE.

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
associated grid connection projects	from multiple/linked Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects		required with NE to resolve issues.  The Applicant has been informed by NE that they do not wish to undertake in the SoCG process but via submission of their issues tracker and PAD.	No SoCG will be pursued between the Applicant and NE.
		NRW	NRW have not provided specific comments and are understood to be providing these at Deadline 1.  Meetings have been held post submission. The Applicant will engage further once comments on the Application have been received.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
		ММО	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with the MMO with a view to agreeing a resolution. Two meetings have been held in response to their submitted RR. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
Transboundary effects	Effects on Belgian fishing fleets	Flemish Agency for Agriculture and Fisheries	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with relevant Interested Parties with a view to agreeing a resolution. A meeting has been requested in response to their	Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
			submitted RR with no response to date.	
Decommissioning	Drafting of the conditions within the draft DCO	MMO	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with the MMO with a view to agreeing a resolution. Two meetings have been held in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
Compliance with	Principles for decommissioning	NE	The Applicant will undertake any further discussions as required with NE to resolve issues.  The Applicant has been informed by NE that they do not wish to undertake in the SoCG process but via submission of their issues tracker and PAD.	Matters will be noted in an updated issues tracker and PAD by NE. No SoCG will be pursued between the Applicant and NE.
Compliance with Marine Policy Statement and North West Marine Plan 2021	How the Application is compliant with the Marine Policy Statement and North West Marine Plan 2021	MMO	The Applicant provided this information as part of the DCO Application (Marine Plan Policy Review ((APP-025)), as communicated and incorporated in the SoCG with the MMO. The Applicant made the MMO aware of the Marine Policy Review (APP-025).	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
Drafting of the DCO and Deemed Marine Licence	Acceptability of conditions and outline plans within the Draft DCO and Marine Licence	ММО	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with the MMO with a view to agreeing a resolution. Two meetings have been held in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
Outline plans submitted with the Application	Coverage and content of all outline plans submitted with the Application	MMO	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with the MMO with a view to agreeing a resolution. Two meetings have been held in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
	Time periods for securing the review and approval of detailed plans post consent	ММО	The Applicant will look to progress this issue with the MMO with a view to agreeing a resolution. Two meetings have been held in response to their submitted RR and SoCG development. Discussions are ongoing.	Issues to be addressed in the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>
	Principles of proposals for safety zone applications	ММО	The MMO responded to queries made by the Applicant and information provided regarding safety zones via email on 17 October 2024. The MMO confirmed by e-mail on 1 November that the MMO	Confirmed outwith the SoCG – Status in <b>Table 5.1</b>

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Principal Issue	Summary of Issue	Interested Party	Current Position	SoCG Status
			agrees on the approach to safety zones.	

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# 5 List of Statements of Common Ground

- 18. **Table 5.1** provides the list of SoCGs that are being prepared by the Applicant in accordance with the list as requested by the Planning Inspectorate in Appendix G of the Rule 6 letter issued on 23 September 2024.
- 19. The ExA has specified that SoCGs should be submitted at the deadlines as set out in the draft Examination Timetable published in the Rule 6 Letter and mentioned in **Section 1**.

### 5.1 Summary of Current Position of SoCGs

- 20. The SoCGs submitted alongside this document at Deadline 1 will reflect the current position of the Applicant and stakeholders.
- 21. **Table 5.1** provides an overview of the status of each SoCG throughout the examination.

### 5.2 SoCGs not being submitted at Deadline 1

22. The information provided below is representative of the position at Deadline 1 where a draft SoCG requested by the ExA has not been agreed or is not required and will not be submitted at Deadline 1.

#### 5.2.1 Mona Offshore Wind Limited

23. The Applicant and Mona Offshore Wind Limited have agreed not to submit a SoCG into Examination based on the established working relationship between the projects.

#### **5.2.2 Morgan Offshore Wind Limited**

24. The Applicant and Morgan Offshore Wind Limited have agreed not to submit a SoCG into Examination based on the established working relationship between the projects.

### 5.2.3 Natural England and JNCC

25. The Applicant has engaged with NE regarding the submission of a SoCG into Examination. However, following discussions, NE has expressed a preference not to submit a SoCG. As a result, NE's issue tracker and a PAD will be provided as required. NE has stated that that the views of JNCC will be incorporated into the NE issues tracker and PAD (RR-061).



#### **5.2.4 Historic England**

26. Engagement between the Applicant and HE is ongoing. It is anticipated that a SoCG will be submitted at Deadline 2 following written representations.

#### **5.2.5 Natural Resources Wales**

27. Engagement between the Applicant and NRW is ongoing. It is anticipated that a SoCG will be submitted at Deadline 3 following written representations.

#### **5.2.6 Scottish Power Renewables**

28. The SoCG in relation to West of Duddon Sands will be progressed with the joint venture entity Morecambe Wind Ltd (Ørsted and ScottishPower Renewables (UK) Ltd.) as part of a joint Ørsted Interested Parties SoCG.



Table 5.1 Status of SoCG submissions at **Deadline 1 (To be updated at Deadline 2)** 

Doc Ref	Party	Requested by ExA	Date first draft issued to Stakeholder	Status at Procedural Deadline A	Status at Deadline 1	Status at Deadline 2	Status at Deadline 3	Status at Deadline 4 (mid Examinati on)	Status at Deadline 5	Status at Deadline 6 (FINAL)
9.13	BAE Systems Marine Limited	Yes	22 October 2024	Draft in progress, submission to be agreed between parties	Draft submitted					
N/A (See 9.10 below)	BAE Systems (Operations) Ltd	Yes	4 October 2024 Input coordinated through the DIO	A SoCG will be progressed with the DIO in relation to Warton Aerodrome, as instructed by the DIO	Not being progressed further - progressed as part of a SoCG joined with the DIO for Warton					
9.14	Barrow Offshore Wind Limited	Yes	23 October 2024	Draft in progress, submission to be agreed between parties	Draft submitted as part of the joint Ørsted Interested Parties SoCG					
9.11	Blackpool Airport Ltd	Yes	4 October 2024	Draft in discussion, with the intention of submission at Deadline 1.	Draft submitted					



Doc Ref	Party	Requested by ExA	Date first draft issued to Stakeholder	Status at Procedural Deadline A	Status at Deadline 1	Status at Deadline 2	Status at Deadline 3	Status at Deadline 4 (mid Examinati on)	Status at Deadline 5	Status at Deadline 6 (FINAL)
9.14	Burbo Extension Limited	Yes	23 October 2024	Draft in progress, submission to be agreed between parties.	Draft submitted as part of the joint Ørsted Interested Parties SoCG					
9.15	Chrysaor Resources (Irish Sea) Limited/ Harbour Energy plc	Yes	23 October 2024	Draft in progress, submission date to be agreed by parties.	Draft submitted					
9.17	DIO	Yes	19 November 2024	Draft in discussion, with the intention of submission at Deadline 1.	Progressed for DIO matters only, separate to a joint SoCG with BAE Systems (Operations) Ltd. Draft submitted					
9.10	DIO and BAE Systems (Operations) Ltd	Yes	4 October 2024 Input coordinated through the DIO	N/A	Progressed as a joint SoCG Draft submitted					



Doc Ref	Party	Requested by ExA	Date first draft issued to Stakeholder	Status at Procedural Deadline A	Status at Deadline 1	Status at Deadline 2	Status at Deadline 3	Status at Deadline 4 (mid Examinati on)	Status at Deadline 5	Status at Deadline 6 (FINAL)
To Be Confir med (TBC)	HE	Yes		Draft in progress, to be submitted following written representations.	Draft in progress, to be submitted following Written Representations					
9.7	IoM TSC	Yes	24 September 2024	Draft in discussion, with the intention of submission at Deadline 1.	Draft submitted					
9.8	IoM SPC	Yes	11 October 2024	Draft in discussion, with the intention of submission at Deadline 1.	Draft submitted					
N/A	JNCC	Yes	N/A							



Doc Ref	Party	Requested by ExA	Date first draft issued to Stakeholder	Status at Procedural Deadline A	Status at Deadline 1	Status at Deadline 2	Status at Deadline 3	Status at Deadline 4 (mid Examinati on)	Status at Deadline 5	Status at Deadline 6 (FINAL)
9.1	ММО	Yes	12 March 2024	Draft in discussion, with the intention of submission at Deadline 1.	Draft submitted					
9.9	MCA	Yes	11 October 2024	Draft in discussion, with the intention of submission at Deadline 1.	Draft submitted					
9.14	Morecambe Wind Limited (WoDS)	Yes	23 October 2024	Draft in progress, submission to be agreed between parties	Draft submitted as part of the joint Ørsted Interested Parties SoCG					
N/A	Mona Offshore Wind Farm Limited	Yes	N/A							
N/A	Morgan Offshore Wind Farm Limited	Yes	N/A							
9.4	NFFO and WFA-CPC	Yes	14 October 2024	Draft in progress,	Draft submitted					



Doc Ref	Party	Requested by ExA	Date first draft issued to Stakeholder	Status at Procedural Deadline A	Status at Deadline 1	Status at Deadline 2	Status at Deadline 3	Status at Deadline 4 (mid Examinati on)	Status at Deadline 5	Status at Deadline 6 (FINAL)
				with the intention of submission at Deadline 1.						
9.5	NATS Safeguarding	Yes	4 October 2024	Draft in discussion, with the intention of submission at Deadline 1.	Draft submitted					
N/A	NE	Yes	N/A							
TBC	NRW	Yes		Draft in progress, to be submitted following written representations.	Draft in progress, to be submitted at Deadline 3 following written representations.					
9.14	Ørsted Burbo (UK) Limited	Yes	23 October 2024	Draft in progress, submission to be agreed between parties	Draft submitted as part of the joint Ørsted Interested Parties SoCG					
9.14	Scottish Power Renewables (WoDS) Ltd.	Yes	N/A	Draft in progress, submission to be agreed	A SoCG progressed with Morecambe Wind Ltd in					



Doc Ref	Party	Requested by ExA	Date first draft issued to Stakeholder	Status at Procedural Deadline A	Status at Deadline 1	Status at Deadline 2	Status at Deadline 3	Status at Deadline 4 (mid Examinati on)	Status at Deadline 5	Status at Deadline 6 (FINAL)
				between parties	relation to West of Duddon Sands Windfarm with a draft submitted as part of the joint Ørsted Interested Parties SoCG (Document Reference 9.14)					
9.2	RSPB	Yes	24 September 2024	Draft in discussion, with the intention of submission at Deadline 1.	Draft submitted					
9.16	Spirit Energy	Yes	23 October 2024	Draft in progress, submission date to be agreed by parties.	Draft submitted					
9.3	Stena Line Ltd	Yes	11 October 2024	Draft in discussion, with the intention of submission at Deadline 1.	Draft submitted					



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9.6	ТН	Yes	11 October 2024	Draft in discussion, with the intention of submission at Deadline 1.	Draft submitted					
9.12	UK Chamber of Shipping	Yes	11 October 2024	Draft in discussion, with the intention of submission at Deadline 1.	Draft submitted					
9.14	Walney (UK) Offshore Windfarms Limited	Yes	23 October 2024	Draft in progress, submission to be agreed between parties	Draft submitted as part of the joint Ørsted Interested Parties SoCG					
9.14	Walney Extension Limited	Yes	23 October 2024	Draft in progress, submission to be agreed between parties	Draft submitted as part of the joint Ørsted Interested Parties SoCG					
N/A	Vodafone group Public Limited	No	N/A							



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	Company (PLC)								
N/A	EXA Infrastructure Express UK Limited	No	N/A						

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## 5.3 Summary of commonality of each topic covered

- 29. This section provides a summary of the topics covered in each SoCG and identifies where there is a commonality in the topics or matters being discussed with the stakeholders.
- 30. **Table 5.2** presents a summary of commonality at Deadline 1 on each overarching topic or matter discussed between the Applicant and stakeholder using the colour code presented in **Table 3.1**.

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Table 5.2 Summary of Commonality with each stakeholder in relation to each topic covered at Deadline 1

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		Project-wide considerations	Marine Geology, Oceanography and Physical Processes	Marine Sediment and Water Quality	Benthic Ecology	Fish and Shellfish Ecology	Marine Mammals	Offshore Ornithology	Commercial Fisheries	Shipping and Navigation	Marine Archaeology and Cultural Heritage	Civil and Military Aviation and Radar	Infrastructure and Other Users	Seascape, Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment	Human Health	Socioeconomics, Tourism and Recreation	Climate Change	Traffic and Transport	Draft Development Consent Order and Deemed Marine License	DCO Mitigation	RIAA	Management Documents
1	BAE Systems Marine Limited																					
2	BAE Systems (Operations) Ltd																					
3	Barrow Offshore Wind Limited																					
4	Blackpool Airport Ltd																					
5	Burbo Extension Limited																					
6	Chrysaor Resources (Irish Sea) Limited/ Harbour Energy plc																					
7	DIO																					
8	HE																					
9	IoM TSC																					
10	IoM SPC																					
11	JNCC																					
12	MMO																					
13	MCA																					
14	Morecambe Wind Limited (WoDS)																					
15	Mona Offshore Wind Limited																					
16	Morgan Offshore Wind Limited																					
17	NFFO and WFA-CPC																					
18	NATS Safeguarding																					
19	NE (topics to be included in issues tracker/PAD)																					



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20	NRW																					
21	Ørsted Burbo (UK) Limited																					
22	Scottish Power Renewables (WoDS) Ltd																					
23	RSPB																					
24	Spirit Energy																					
25	Stena Line Ltd																					
26	ТН																					
27	UK Chamber of Shipping																					
28	Walney (UK) Offshore Windfarms Limited																					
29	Walney Extension Limited																					
30	Vodafone group Public Limited Company (PLC)																					
31	EXA Infrastructure Express UK Limited																					