



Adequacy of Consultation Representation Proforma

Under *Section 55(4)(b) of the Planning Act 2008* (as amended) (PA2008) the Planning Inspectorate, on behalf of the Secretary of State, must take any adequacy of consultation representation (AoCR) received from a local authority consultee into account when deciding whether to accept an application for development consent, and this will be published should the application be accepted for examination.

An AoCR is defined in s55(5) in PA2008 as “a representation about whether the applicant complied, in relation to that proposed application, with the applicant’s duties under sections 42, 47 and 48”.

Project name	Outer Dowsing Offshore Wind Farm
Date of request	20/03/2024
Deadline for AOCR	03/04/2024
Return to	OuterDowsingOffshoreWind@planninginspectorate.gov.uk

Please complete the proforma outlining your AoCR on the above NSIP.

Local Authority	Boston Borough Council
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In the opinion of the local authority, has the applicant complied with the legislative requirements listed below?

Please note that this is specifically about the statutory consultation(s) undertaken.

Assessment of Compliance - Required	
S42 Duty to consult	Yes
S47 Duty to consult local authority	Yes
S48 Duty to publicise	Yes

If you would like to give more detail on any of the above, please do so below.

Please keep it as succinct as possible and refer to facts and evidence related to consultation, rather than the merits of the application.



Additional comments - <i>Not compulsory</i>	
S42 Duty to consult	
S47 Duty to consult local authority	As stated in the consultation report, the Applicant held regular meetings with the LPA during the course of the consultation period. This allowed regular questions to be raised where necessary.
S48 Duty to publicise	This was very good throughout the process and the online portal was very useful in this regard.
Any other comments	Some deadlines to respond were quite finite due to a number of re-consultations however I appreciate this was due to the number of landowners involved and the desire to change the cable route to accommodate this.