Issue Specific Hearing 3 (ISH3) on Environmental Matters

Hearing Action Points

Application by GT R4 Limited (trading as Outer Dowsing Offshore Wind) for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Outer Dowsing Offshore Wind project (EN010130).

Actions arising from ISH3 held on Thursday 5 December 2024

	Action	Party	Deadline (D)
1.	Respond to the potential for the delegation of authority to Lincolnshire County Council (LCC) for discharging detailed design matters (for example Requirement (R) 9 of the draft Development Consent Order (dDCO)).	South Holland District Council (DC), East Lindsey DC and Boston Borough Council ('the District and Borough Councils')	D3 (13 December 2024)
2.	Provide confirmation of the intended Advice Note to be referenced in ExQ1 DES 1.6. Also, to map the steps it has taken along its design process so far to the steps in the Advice Page on Good Design illustrated by the Good Design process diagram in its revised response.	Applicant	D3
3.	Provide a Lighting Management Plan for the Offshore Reactive Compensation Platform (ORCP) and set out how this Plan would be secured within the dDCO.	Applicant	D4 (3 February 2025)
4.	Discuss the potential for further amendments to the wording of R17 of the dDCO and the Outline Written Scheme of Investigation to address LCC's concerns.	Applicant, LCC and Historic England	D4
5.	Provide a written response updating the abnormal indivisible load (AIL) Swept Path Analysis document as appropriate [APP-218].	Applicant	D4

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6.	Respond regarding the need for environmental assessment of an alternative routes should the indicative route for AIL not be possible considering other structural parameters.	Applicant	D3 (and D4 if further work required)
7.	Respond to LCC's comments in ExQ1 TT 1.7 [REP2-069] regarding the Public Rights of Way and Outline Public Access Management Plan (PAMP).	Applicant	D3
8.	Respond to LCC's note in relation to [REP2-042] that the coastal path (King Charles III England coast path) may be affected by landfall works and is considered in the Outline PAMP and comment on the consenting process that may be required.	Applicant	D3
9.	Comment on whether the removal of the provision for the creation and enhancement of arable field margins from the outline Landscape and Ecological Management Strategy (as reported in the Applicant's response to ExQ1 HOE 1.16) would result in Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) implications.	Applicant	D3
10.	Review BNG percentages required in recent made DCOs.	Applicant	D4
11.	Provide an equivalent assessment to that submitted for the Rampion 2 project in relation to consideration of the cumulative effects at a national and regional scale of the loss of best and most versatile land.	Applicant	D4
12.	Submit an updated document to reference the three separate soil horizons.	Applicant	D3
13.	In relation to the Applicant's response to ExQ1 LU 1.17, submit a plan indicating the	Applicant	D3

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	locations of the borehole and trial pit surveys that have been undertaken.		
14.	Respond to the TH Clements & Son Limited Written Representation [REP1-050] in relation to cable depth.	Applicant	D3
15.	The Flood Risk assessment of the ECC and 400kv corridor applies a 25% uplift allowance for peak. Provide confirmation that this has been applied in the context of peak rainfall as required in National Policy Statement EN-5.	Applicant	D3
16.	Confirm satisfaction with the process for authorising the measures in relation to dust contamination in the Air Quality Management Plan.	The District and Borough Councils	D3
17.	Respond in writing to the Applicant's response to ExQ1 LU 1.16.	TH Clements & Son Limited	D3
18.	Provide results of the archaeological trial trenching	Applicant	D4
19.	Soil Management Plan to be updated to consider feedback from TH Clements.	TH Clements & Son Limited Applicant	D3 D4