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	Morgan Offshore Wind Farm Generation Assets	
Date of request	Thursday 25 April 2024	
Deadline for AOCR	Thursday 9 May 2024	
Return to	morganoffshorewindproject@planninginspectorate.gov.uk	

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

Local Authority	Lancashire County 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 / No	
S47 Duty to consult local authority	Yes / No	
S48 Duty to publicise	Yes / No	

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 - Not compulsory		
S42 Duty to consult	The County Council is satisfied that the applicant has consulted sufficiently to fulfil section 42 of The Act in so far as it relates to contact with the County Council.	
S47 Duty to consult local authority	The County Council is satisfied that the applicant has consulted sufficiently to fulfil section 47 of The Act in so far as it relates to contact with the County Council.	
S48 Duty to publicise	Having read the report of consultation the County Council believes the community consultation is necessarily wide enough to meet the consultation requirements set out within the SoCC for the scheme.	
Any other comments	The County Council has been variously consulted over the last two year period, dates being July 2022, April 2023 and October 2023. Specific points of contact to note under section 42 and 47 are as follows.	
	The area highway officer has been involved in several meetings discussing the highway impact of the development on Lancashire's highway network prior to the consultation and also was informed of the consultation. The County Council as Highway Authority is satisfied that the S47 Duty has been complied with.	
	It is understood that Heritage England is the statutory body relating to the historic environmental aspects. However the applicant has engaged with the County Council's Historic Environment Team as applicable where consultation and interpretation of the local Historic Environment Record was required.	