



Application by Mona Offshore Wind Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Mona Offshore Wind Farm (Case ref: EN010137)

Agenda for Open Floor Hearing 1 (OFH1)

Hearing	Date and Time	Location
Open Floor Hearing 1 (OFH1)	Friday 19 July 2024 Hearing starts at 9.30am Seating available at venue from 9.00am and virtual Arrangements Conference from 9.00am	Venue Cymru, Promenade, Llandudno, LL30 1BB and By virtual means using Microsoft Teams

Notification of the date, time, location and attendance instructions for OFH1 was provided in the Examining Authority's (ExA) [Rule 6 letter dated 7 June 2024](#).

Agenda

- 1. Welcome, introductions, arrangements for the hearing**
- 2. Purpose of the Open Floor Hearing**
- 3. Confirmation of those who have notified the ExA of a wish to be heard at OFH1**
- 4. Oral submissions from Interested Parties (IP)**

Each IP who has indicated a wish to speak will be invited forward in turn to speak at a table set up in front of the ExA, or via Microsoft Teams if attending virtually. Following each submission, the ExA may wish to ask the speaker questions. The ExA may invite the Applicant to briefly respond or clarify matters raised by IPs.

Oral submissions should be based on representations previously made in writing by the particular participant; however, representations made at the hearing should not simply repeat matters previously covered in a written submission, but rather provide further detail, explanation and evidential corroboration to help inform the ExA.

- 5. Closure of the hearing**

Purpose of the Open Floor Hearing

The purpose of the OFH is to enable any Interested Party to make spoken representations about the application directly to the Examining Authority (ExA).

Participation and procedure

At an OFH, each IP is entitled (subject to the ExA's powers of control over the conduct of the hearing) to make oral representations about the application.

You must register by the Procedural Deadline, **Tuesday 25 June 2024**, if you intend to participate in this hearing. Any request to participate in the hearing must include the following information:

- name and unique reference number (found at the top your letter or email from the Planning Inspectorate);
- email address (if available) and contact telephone number;
- name and unique reference number of any person/ organisation that you are representing (if applicable);
- confirmation of whether you will participate virtually or in-person;
- the Examination Library reference number (with paragraph/ page number where appropriate) of any documents you wish to refer to; and
- any special requirements you may have (eg disabled access or hearing loop).

The ExA may request those who wish to speak on the same topic to select one person to put forward their views.

Guidance under the Planning Act 2008 and the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 provides that it is for the ExA to probe, test and assess the evidence through direct questions of persons making oral representations at hearings. Questioning at the hearing will be led by the ExA.

If on the day there are other individuals present who wish to make submissions that have not already been made, it will be open to the ExA to use its discretion to hear any relevant submissions from those present, should time permit. A written summary of the evidence presented orally by any IPs at OFH1 should be submitted by Deadline 1 (**Wednesday 7 August 2024**).

The Applicant will attend for the purpose of listening to the submissions of IPs and providing any points of clarification requested by the ExA. The Applicant should respond in writing to all matters raised in the hearing by Deadline 1 (**Wednesday 7 August 2024**).

The Examining Authority would recommend any parties who are new to the process and wish to learn more about the background and procedures in hearings to read the Planning Inspectorate's [Advice Note 8.5, The Examination: hearings and site inspections](#).

The hearing will finish when the Examining Authority considers that all matters have been covered and all participants have had an opportunity to make their representations. This will be by 1pm at the latest.

The event will be livestreamed and a link for watching the livestream will be posted on the [project webpage of the National Infrastructure Planning website](#) closer to the hearing date. IPs and members of the public who wish to observe the hearing can therefore view and listen to the hearing using the livestream, or view and listen to the recording, after it has concluded.