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Glossary

Term	Meaning		
Applicant	Mona Offshore Wind Limited.		
Development Consent Order (DCO)	An order made under the Planning Act 2008 granting development consent for one or more Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP).		
Marine licence	The Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 requires a marine licence to be obtained for licensable marine activities. Section 149A of the Planning Act 2008 allows an applicant for a DCO to apply for a 'deemed' marine licence as part of the DCO process. In addition, licensable activities within 12nm of the Welsh coast require a separate marine licence from Natural Resource Wales (NRW).		
Mona Offshore Wind Project	The Mona Offshore Wind Project is comprised of both the generation assets, offshore and onshore transmission assets, and associated activities.		
Ecology Expert Working Group (EWG) – onshore	An expert working group comprising NRW, Denbighshire County Council, Conwy County Borough Council and the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds.		
Highways Expert Working Group	An expert working group comprising Denbighshire County Council, Conwy County Borough Council, North and Mid Wales Trunk Road Agent and Welsh Government.		
The Planning Inspectorate	The agency responsible for operating the planning process for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects.		

Acronyms

Acronym	Description	
CoCP	Code of Construction Practice	
CTMP	Construction Traffic Management Plan	
DCC	Denbighshire County Council	
DCO	Development Consent Order	
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment	
ES	Environmental Statement	
EWG	Expert Working Group	
GCN	Great Crested Newt	
HRA	Habitat Regulation Assessment	
ISAA	Information to Support Appropriate Assessment	
LEMP	Landscape and Ecology Management Plan	
MHWS	Mean High Water Springs	
MLWS	Mean Low Water Springs	
OSP	Offshore Substation Platform	
PEIR	Preliminary Environmental Information Report	
SoCG	Statement of Common Ground	

Units

Unit	Description
kV	Kilovolts



1 INITIAL STATEMENT OF COMMON GROUND BETWEEN MONA OFFSHORE WIND PROJECT AND DENBIGHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (DCC)

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 **Overview**

- This initial Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) has been prepared between Mona 1.1.1.1 Offshore Wind Limited (hereafter referred to as 'the Applicant') and Denbighshire County Council (DCC), together the parties. The SoCG sets out matters agreed and matters not agreed between the parties in relation to the proposed Development Consent Order (DCO) application for the Mona Offshore Wind Project.
- 1.1.1.2 The need for a SoCG between the Applicant and DCC is set out within the Rule 6 letter that was issued by the Planning Inspectorate on 7 June 2024.
- 1.1.1.3 This document is intended to provide the Examining Authority with an overview of the level of common ground between the parties. The SoCG will identify where agreement has been reached, where differences lie and the reasons for not reaching agreement or outstanding matters. The SoCG will also be used to facilitate further discussion between the parties. The SoCG will be updated during the Mona Offshore Wind Project Examination.

1.1.2 Mona Offshore Wind Project Elements under DCC's Remit

Elements of the Mona Offshore Wind Project which may affect the interests of DCC are Work Numbers 3 to 38 landward of Mean Low Water Springs (MLWS), onshore and intertidal works. These are detailed in Schedule 1 (Authorised Project), Part 1 (Authorised Development) of the Draft DCO (PDA-003).

- 1.1.2.1 This SoCG covers the following topics of relevance to DCC as agreed in a meeting between the parties on 16 August 2024:
 - Onshore ecology
 - Geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions •
 - Hydrology and flood risk •
 - Noise and vibration
 - Traffic and transport
 - Air quality
 - Historic environment
 - Landscape and visual resources •
 - Arboriculture •
 - Cumulative Effects Assessment
 - Draft Development Consent Order
- 1.1.2.2 In respect of the above topics, the following matters are covered in this SoCG:
 - Surveys •



- **Baseline environment** •
- **Project Design Envelope** •
- Assessment of effects from the project alone •
- Assessment of effects from the project cumulatively with other projects
- Mitigation (including outline management plans). •

1.1.3 **Overview of Mona Offshore Wind Project**

- 1.1.3.1 Mona Offshore Wind Project is a proposed offshore wind farm located in the east Irish Sea. The Mona Offshore Wind Project will include both offshore and onshore infrastructure and consist of:
 - Mona Array Area: This is where the wind turbines, Offshore Substation Platforms (OSPs), foundations (for both wind turbines and OSPs), inter-array cables, interconnector cables and offshore export cables will be located
 - Mona Offshore Cable Corridor and Access Areas: The corridor located between • the Mona Array Area and the landfall up to Mean High Water Springs (MHWS), in which the offshore export cables will be located and in which the intertidal access areas are located
 - Intertidal access areas: The area from MHWS to MLWS which will be used for • access to the beach and construction related activities
 - Landfall: This is where the offshore export cables make contact with land and the transitional area where the offshore cabling connects to the onshore cabling
 - Mona Onshore Development Area: The area in which the landfall, Mona Onshore Cable Corridor, Mona Onshore Substation, mitigation areas, temporary construction infrastructure (such as access roads and construction compounds), operational access to the Mona Onshore Substation and the 400 kV connection to National Grid infrastructure will be located
 - Mona Onshore Substation: This is where the new substation will be located, containing the components for transforming the power supplied from the offshore wind farm up to 400 kV
 - Mona 400 kV Grid Connection Cable Corridor: The corridor from the Mona Onshore Substation to the National Grid substation.

1.1.4 Approach to SoCG

- 1.1.4.1 This initial SoCG has been developed during the pre-examination phase and will be progressed during the examination phases of the Mona Offshore Wind Project. In accordance with discussions between the parties, the SoCG is focused on those issues raised by DCC within its response to Scoping, Section 42 consultation and as raised through the Archaeology and Heritage Engagement Forum that has underpinned the pre-application consultation between the parties. This SoCG also includes those issues raised by DCC during the post-application phase (i.e. relevant representations, pre-examination meetings and the Local Impact Report (LIR)).
- 1.1.4.2 The structure of this SoCG is as follows:
 - Section 1.1: Introduction
 - Section 1.2: Summary of SoCG

- Section 1.3: Summary of consultation •
- Section 1.4: Agreement log. •

1.2 Summary of SoCG

1.2.1 **Overview**

1.2.1.1 This initial SoCG outlines the consultation that has taken place between the parties during the pre-application and post-application phase of the Mona Offshore Wind Project. The agreement logs present the position reached on 07 August 2024 (Deadline 1).

1.2.2 Summary of Those Matters Agreed, Ongoing Points of Discussion and Not Agreed

1.2.2.1 Table 1.1 provides a summary of those matters agreed, an ongoing point of discussion or not agreed between the parties.

Table 1.1: Summary of areas agreed, ongoing points of discussion and not agreed between the parties.

Торіс	Agreement status
Onshore Ecology	Ongoing point under discussion
Geology, Hydrogeology and Ground Conditions	Agreed (with exception of one not-agreed but not-material point)
Hydrology and Flood Risk	Ongoing point under discussion
Noise and Vibration	Ongoing point under discussion
Traffic and Transport	Ongoing point under discussion
Air Quality	Agreed
Historic Environment	Agreed
Landscape and Visual Resources	Ongoing point under discussion
Arboriculture	Ongoing point under discussion
Cumulative Effects Assessment	Ongoing point under discussion
Draft Development Consent Order	Ongoing point under discussion

Summary of Consultation 1.3

1.3.1.1 Table 1.2 below provides an overview of the consultation undertaken by the Applicant with DCC during the pre-application phases of the Mona Offshore Wind Project. Table 1.3 below provides a summary of the consultation undertaken by the Applicant with DCC during the post-application phases of the Mona Offshore Wind Project.



Table 1.2: Summary of pre-application consultation with DCC.

Date	Form of consultation	Statutory or non-statutory engagement	Summary of consultation
15 June 2022	Scoping Opinion	Statutory engagement	DCC broadly agreed with the scope of the EIA but noted that both onshore and offshore elements during the construction and operation phases should be included in the cumulative assessment. DCC stated that Best and Most Versatile agricultural land effects should be scoped into the EIA on the basis that the area of search for the onshore works had not been defined. DCC also stated that ecological impacts on Great Crested Newt (GCN) should be scoped in for the construction and operational phases due to known presence of GCN in the St. Asaph / Bodelwyddan area of North East Wales.
16 June 2022	Onshore Ecology Expert Working Group (EWG)	Non-statutory engagement	First EWG – matters discussed include overview of project and purpose of EWG, intertidal ornithology (wintering and passage birds), other onshore ecology surveys (methodologies).
08 December 2022	Meeting	Non-statutory engagement	Second EWG – matters discussed included the approach to baseline characterisation, including relevant study areas; comments within Scoping Opinion; the approach to the PEIR; and an update on progress of surveys.
24 April 2023	Meeting	Non-statutory engagement	Third EWG – matters discussed including the methodologies and proposed locations of the protected species surveys; assumptions on presence/absence of key receptor species; and the approach to biodiversity benefit requirements.
17 May 2023	Highways EWG	Non-statutory engagement	Matters discussed include summary of traffic and transport PEIR chapter and existing known highway issues.
01 June 2023	Section 42 Statutory Consultation Response	Statutory engagement	DCC stated that consideration should be given to the proximity of the Denbighshire Memorial Park and Crematorium. Disruption to the peaceful and tranquil setting will be felt both during construction work and when any building is constructed. Cumulative impacts should also be examined further given the potential for this business to be flanked by substations.
7 June 2023	Meeting	Non-statutory	 Discussion of Hydrology and flood risk EWG remit and way of working Discussion of desk top sources for baseline characterisation Discussion of Hydrology and flood risk constraints Discussion of coastal flood defences Discussion of approach of drainage strategy for Onshore substation.
19 July 2023	Onshore Ecology EWG	Non-statutory engagement	Fourth EWG – matters discussed include: project update (including substation access), onshore and intertidal ornithology (surveys, mitigation), onshore ecology (surveys, digital data sharing platform, Section 42 consultation responses).



Date	Form of consultation	Statutory or non-statutory engagement	Summary of consultation
04 October 2023	Onshore Ecology EWG	Non-statutory engagement	Fifth EWG – matters discussed include: project update (alterations at landfall/intertidal area, alterations along onshore cable corridor, mitigation requirements and engineering decisions, Ancient Woodland mapping), onshore and intertidal ornithology (survey progress), onshore ecology (survey progress, further survey requirement, Great Crested Newt (GCN) mitigation areas / strategy, digital data sharing platform) and landscape and ecological strategy.
08 December	Meeting	Non-statutory	Sixth EWG – matters discussed include
2023		engagement	• Key technical, engineering, and environmental work undertaken, including key design changes since the previous EWG
			• The approach to onshore ecology and onshore and intertidal ornithology surveys, including the survey programme, survey progress to date and notable interim survey results
			• Discussed mitigation requirements, including measures to be incorporated into the Outline Code of Construction Practice (APP-212) and Outline Landscape and Ecological Management Plan (APP-208).
26 January 2024	Meeting	Non-statutory engagement	• Discussed the operational noise assessment, the location of the receptors and the proposed noise limits for the operation of the Onshore Substation.

Table 1.3: Summary of post-application consultation with DCC.

Date	Form of consultation	Statutory or non-statutory engagement	Summary of consultation
30 April 2024	Meeting	Non-statutory engagement	Post Acceptance Engagement. Matters discussed include project update and DCO Examination timeline, forward process, SoCG progress and land interests.
15 May 2024	Onshore Ecology EWG	Non-statutory engagement	Seventh EWG – matters discussed include: project update, illustrative landscape and ecology strategy, key milestones and next steps.
13 June 2024	Meeting	Non-statutory engagement	Update meeting – project and Examination updates, relevant representations, approach to SoCGs and overview of previous actions.
31 May 2024	Meeting	Non-statutory engagement	Noise update - matters discussed include: project update, key milestones and next steps
16 August 2024	Meeting	Non-statutory engagement	Meeting following publication of LIR at Deadline 1 to discuss matters raised in the LIR and agreement of approach to SoCG.
25 September 2024	Meeting	Non-statutory engagement	Meeting to discuss submission of the SoCG at Deadline 3.



Date	Form of consultation	Statutory or non-statutory engagement	Summary of consultation
8 October 2024	Meeting	Non-statutory engagement	Meeting to discuss LVIA.
9 October 2024	Meeting	Non-statutory engagement	Meeting to discuss geomorphology.
11 October 2024	Meeting	Non-statutory engagement	Meeting to discuss LVIA.
21 October 2024	Meeting	Non-statutory engagement	Meeting to discuss draft Development Consent Order.
19 November 2024	Meeting	Non-statutory engagement	Meeting to discuss submission of the SoCG at Deadline 5.
27 November 2024	Meeting	Non-statutory engagement	Meeting to discuss LVIA.
29 November 2024	Meeting	Non-statutory engagement	Meeting to discuss submission of the SoCG at Deadline 5.



1.4 **Agreement log**

1.4.1.1 This section of the SoCG sets out the level of agreement between the parties. For each matter the status is identified as being either agreed, not agreed or an ongoing point of discussion, according to the criteria set out in Table 1.4 below.

Table 1.4: Position definitions and colour coding.

Position and colour coding Definition of position	
Agreed	The matter is considered to be agreed between the parties.
Ongoing point of discussion	The matter is neither agreed or not agreed, and is a matter where further discussion is required between the parties.
Not agreed, but not material	The matter is not considered to be agreed between the parties, but is not deemed material
Not agreed	The matter is not considered to be agreed between the parties.

1.4.1.2 Table 1.5 to Table 1.124 set out the level of agreement between the parties for each relevant component of the application (as identified in section 1.1.2).



1.4.2 **Onshore ecology**

Table 1.5: Agreement Log between the parties on Onshore Ecology.

Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
EIA				
DCC.OE.1	Consultation The Applicant has undertaken adequate consultation with DCC on the potential impacts of the Mana Offichers Wind President on another set of the Mana Offichers Wind President on another set of the	DCC agrees that the Applicant has undertaken adequate consultation.	Agreed	
		the Mona Offshore Wind Project on onshore ecology (including onshore and intertidal ornithology).	Source: In the absence of specific comment in the Local Impact Report (REP1-049) the matter is considered to be agreed.	
DCC.OE.2	Consultation	The Application documents have had due regard to matters raised by DCC via statutory and non- statutory consultation on potential impacts on onshore ecology (including onshore and intertidal ornithology).	set up with NRW, DCC, CCBC, Welsh Government, Royal Society for the Protection of	Agreed
			Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.4.2).	
DCC.OE.3	Policy and planning	The Application documents have identified and considered the most up-to-date plans and policies as relevant to onshore ecology (including onshore and intertidal ornithology), within DCC's remit.	and considered all plans and policies relevant to	Agreed
			Source: In the absence of specific comment in the Local Impact Report (REP1-049) the matter is considered agreed.	



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.OE.4	Surveys – Great Crested Newts	Agreement that population size class assessment surveys of great crested newts do not have to be undertaken for ponds subject to ongoing monitoring (e.g. Burbo Bank mitigation ponds) or ponds that have been surveyed within the last two years (by the time of the Mona Offshore Wind Project DCO application. Agreement has been reached with NRW and this is confirmed in the Mona and Natural Resource Wales (advisory) Onshore SoCG (REP1-026).	however if there is a major concern with obtaining a license, Councils need to be made aware. The Councils are not aware of any major concern at this time and understand the licensing process would take place post-consent.	Agreed
DCC.OE.5	Surveys	The site-specific surveys have been undertaken in accordance with agreed methodologies.	The Councils consider that sufficient desk studies and ecological surveys were completed to inform the baseline both for the cable corridor and the intertidal cable landfall. Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.4.2).	Agreed



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.OE.6	Surveys	 Sufficient primary and secondary data (including site-specific surveys) has been collated to appropriately characterise the onshore ecology (including onshore and intertidal ornithology) baseline environment for the purposes of Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) within Volume 3, Chapter 3: Onshore Ecology (APP-066) and Chapter 4: Onshore and Intertidal Ornithology (APP-067). Agreement on the onshore wintering and migratory bird surveys has since been reached with NRW, and it is anticipated that the onshore ornithology HRA will be agreed with NRW by Deadline 5. Agreement has been reached with NRW in respect of the matter set out under DCC.OE.4 and this is confirmed in the Mona and Natural Resource Wales (advisory) Onshore SoCG (REP1-026). Additional detail in respect of pre-construction barn owl survey requirements is included in an updated oLEMP to be submitted at Deadline 5. 	3.4.2) the Councils generally support the approach and methodology used to inform the ecological baseline of the onshore elements of the proposal. However, the Councils have	Ongoing point of discussion
DCC.OE.7	Baseline environment	The onshore ecology and onshore and intertidal ornithology baseline has been appropriately characterised in Volume 3 Chapter 3: Onshore Ecology (APP-066) and Chapter 4: Onshore and Intertidal Ornithology (APP-067).	significant gaps in the ecological baseline and that the baseline is sufficient in order to make an	Agreed
DCC.OE.8	Study area	The onshore ecology (including onshore and intertidal ornithology) study area is appropriate for the receptors, sites and impacts assessed.	DCC agrees that the study area for onshore ecology (including onshore and intertidal ornithology) is appropriate for the receptors, sites and impacts assessed. Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.4.2)	Agreed
DCC.OE.9	Project design envelope	The assessment has appropriately defined the Maximum Design Scenario (MDS) for the purposes of EIA.		Agreed



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.OE.10	Assessment methodology - receptors	The sensitivity of onshore ecology (including onshore and intertidal ornithology) receptors has been correctly identified and sufficiently described within Volume 3, Chapter 3: Onshore Ecology (APP-066) and Chapter 4: Onshore and Intertidal Ornithology (APP-067).	Ecological Features identified and their relative value and sensitivity; the magnitude of the impact; and the significance of the effect provided	Agreed
DCC.OE.11	Assessment methodology – Onshore Ecology and Onshore and Intertidal Ornithology	The methodologies used within Volume 3 Chapter 3: Onshore Ecology (APP-066) and Chapter 4: Onshore and Intertidal Ornithology (APP-067) are appropriate for assessing the potential impacts of Mona Offshore Wind Project with regard to onshore ecology (including onshore and intertidal ornithology).	The Councils generally support the onshore ecology and onshore and intertidal ornithology approaches and methodologies. Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.4.2)	Agreed
DCC.OE.12	Assessment of the effects from the project alone	No significant adverse effects on onshore ecology (including onshore and intertidal ornithology) are predicted to arise from the development of Mona Offshore Wind Project.	The potential impacts of the maximum design scenario for the onshore ecology and the onshore and intertidal ornithology are identified in Table 3.21 (APP-066) and Table 4.23 (APP-067) respectively. The Councils generally agree with the potential impacts identified. Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.4.2)	Agreed
DCC.OE.13	Assessment of the effects from the project alone – hedgerows (ecology)	No significant adverse effects on hedgerows from an ecological perspective are predicted to arise from the development of Mona Offshore Wind Project.	and significance of effect provided by the	Agreed



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.OE.14	Assessment of the effects from the project cumulatively with other projects	No significant adverse effects on onshore ecology (including onshore and intertidal ornithology) are predicted to arise from the development of Mona Offshore Wind Project cumulatively with other project and plans.	066) and Volume 3, Chapter 4: Onshore and	Agreed
DCC.OE.15	Mitigation	The mitigation measures identified within Volume 3, Chapter 3: Onshore Ecology (APP-066), Chapter 4: Onshore and Intertidal Ornithology (APP-067) and the Mitigation and Monitoring schedule (APP-196) and secured through the draft Development Consent Order (dDCO) (PDA-003) are appropriate and will ensure significant effects are avoided. Additional detail in respect of monitoring is included in an updated oLEMP to be submitted at Deadline 5.	mitigation and enhancements proposed for the onshore elements of the project will provide net benefits for biodiversity. However, as set out in DCC.OE.16 below the Councils are not currently confident that the mitigation and enhancement measures would be adequately delivered through the LEMP and therefore, cannot agree with the	Ongoing point of discussion



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status	
Other Docum	Other Documents and Plans				
DCC.OE.16	Outline Landscape and Ecology Management Plan (LEMP)	The Outline Landscape and Ecology Management Plan (LEMP) (APP-208) is secured through the dDCO (PDA-003) is appropriate with regard to proposed mitigation measures and monitoring.	mitigation measures that will benefit both	Ongoing point of discussion	
DCC.OE.17	Outline Code of Construction Practice (CoCP)	The Outline Code of Construction Practice (CoCP) (APP-212) and the accompanying outline management plans will be secured through the dDCO (PDA-003) are appropriate with regard to proposed mitigation measures and monitoring.	further consultation will take place in relation to updates to the CoCP should consent be granted.	Agreed	



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.OE.18	LEMP – Barn Owls	Additional detail in respect of pre-construction barn owl survey requirements will be included in an updated oLEMP to be submitted at Deadline 5.		Ongoing points of discussion



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.OE.19	Outline Bird Protection Plan in Appendix E of the outline LEMP - netting	The reference to the use of netting of vegetation outside of the breeding bird season will be removed in an updated oLEMP to be submitted at Deadline 5.	in the LEMP states 'Netting of vegetation outside	Ongoing points of discussion



1.4.3 Geology, Hydrogeology and Ground Conditions

Table 1.6: Agreement Log between the parties on Geology, Hydrogeology and Ground Conditions.

Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
EIA				
DCC.GHGC.1	Consultation	The Applicant has undertaken adequate consultation with DCC on the potential impacts of the Mona Offshore Wind Project on geology hydrogeology and ground conditions		Agreed
DCC.GHGC.2	Consultation	The Application documents have had due regard to matters raised by DCC through statutory and non-statutory consultation on geology hydrogeology and ground conditions.	engagement on this topic has been limited, as	Not agreed but not material
DCC.GHGC.3	Policy and planning	The Application documents have identified and considered the most up-to-date plans and policies as relevant to geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions, within DCC's remit.	and considered all plans and policies relevant to	Agreed
			Source: In the absence of specific comment in the Local Impact Report (REP1-049) the matter is considered agreed.	
DCC.GHGC.4	Surveys		Agreed, noting that further work to identify private water supplies is required and is secured via the Outline CoCP.	Agreed
DCC.GHGC.5	Surveys	Sufficient data has been collated to appropriately characterise the geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions baseline environment for the purposes of Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) within Volume 3, Chapter 1: Geology Hydrogeology and Ground Conditions (APP-064).	inform the assessment, noting the conservative approach taken to private water supplies given lack of data (see DCC.GHGC.5).	Agreed



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.GHGC.6	Baseline environment	The geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions baseline has been appropriately characterised in Volume 3, Chapter 1: Geology, Hydrogeology and Ground Conditions (APP-064).	Agreed.	Agreed
DCC.GHGC.7	Study area	The geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions study area is appropriate for the impacts and the receptors assessed.		Agreed
			Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.6.2.	
DCC.GHGC.8	Assessment methodology	The sensitivity and significance of the geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions receptors have been appropriately and adequately described within Volume 3, Chapter 1: Geology, Hydrogeology and Ground Conditions (APP-064).	The methodology set out for hydrogeology is in line with industry standards. Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.6.2.	Agreed
DCC.GHGC.9	Assessment methodology	The potential impacts identified within Volume 3, Chapter 1: Geology, Hydrogeology and Ground Conditions (APP-064) represent a comprehensive list of the potential impacts in relation to geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions.	The assessment of significant effects within Chapter 1 [APP-064] adequately considers the range of potential effects to hydrogeology and private water supplies.	Agreed
DCC.GHGC.10	Assessment of the effects from the project alone	No significant adverse effects on geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions are predicted to arise from the development of Mona Offshore Wind Project	The assessment of significant effects within Volume 3, Chapter 1: Geology, Hydrogeology and Ground Conditions (APP-064) adequately considers the range of potential effects to hydrogeology and private water supplies. Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.6.2.	Agreed
DCC.GHGC.11	Assessment of the effects from the project cumulatively with other projects	No significant adverse effects on geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions are predicted to arise from the development of Mona Offshore Wind Project cumulatively with other projects and plans.	Agreed.	Agreed



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.GHGC.12	Mitigation	The mitigation measures outlined in Volume 3, Chapter 1: Geology, Hydrogeology and Ground Conditions (APP-064) and the Mitigation and Monitoring schedule (APP-196) are appropriate and will ensure significant effects are avoided.		Agreed
Other Docum	ents and Plans			
DCC.GHGC.13	Outline management plans	The Outline Code of Construction Practice (APP- 212) and the accompanying outline management plans will be secured through the dDCO (PDA- 003) are appropriate with regard to proposed mitigation measures.		Agreed



1.4.4 Hydrology and Flood Risk

Table 1.7: Agreement Log between the parties on Hydrology and Flood Risk.

Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
EIA				
DCC.HFR.1	Consultation	The Applicant has undertaken adequate consultation with DCC on the potential impacts of the Mona Offshore Wind Project on hydrology and flood risk.	adequate consultation, however, the Councils	Ongoing points of discussion
			Source: In the absence of specific comment in the Local Impact Report (REP1-049) the matter is considered agreed.	
DCC.HFR.2	Consultation	The Application documents have had due regard to matters raised by DCC through statutory and non-statutory consultation on hydrology and flood risk.	application engagement on this topic has been	Not agreed but not material
DCC.HFR.3	Policy and planning	The Application has identified and considered the most up-to-date plans and policies as relevant to hydrology and flood risk, within DCC's remit.		Agreed
			Source: In the absence of specific comment in the Local Impact Report (REP1-049) the matter is considered agreed.	
DCC.HFR.4	Surveys	Agreement that desk -based information is adequate to characterise the hydrology and flood risk baseline and that site-specific surveys are not required. Baseline information in respect of fluvial geomorphology has been compiled and was provided in the Geomorphology Clarification Note (REP4-040) at Deadline 4.	information presented on the fluvial geomorphology of the Ordinary Watercourses that may be affected by the construction or operation of the scheme. The Geomorphology Clarification Note [REP4-040] sufficiently	Agreed



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.HFR.5	Surveys	Sufficient data has been collated to appropriately characterise the hydrology and flood risk baseline environment for the purposes of Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) within Volume 3, Chapter 2: Hydrology and Flood Risk (APP-065).	040] sufficiently addresses the matters raised in	Agreed
DCC.HFR.6	Baseline environment	The hydrology and flood risk baseline has been appropriately characterised in Volume 3, Chapter 2: Hydrology and Flood Risk (APP-065). Baseline information in respect of fluvial geomorphology has been compiled and was provided in the Geomorphology Clarification Note (REP4-040) at Deadline 4.		Agreed
DCC.HFR.7	Study area	The hydrology and flood risk study area is appropriate for the impacts and the receptors assessed.		Agreed
DCC.HFR.8	Assessment methodology	The sensitivity and significance of the hydrology and flood risk receptors has been appropriately and adequately described within Volume 3, Chapter 2: Hydrology and Flood Risk (APP-065).	Methodology in line with industry standards, however pending fluvial geomorphology. The Geomorphology Clarification Note [REP4-040] sufficiently addresses fluvial aspects, this is now agreed.	Agreed
DCC.HFR.9	Assessment methodology	The methodologies used within Volume 3, Chapter 2: Hydrology and Flood Risk (APP-065) are appropriate for assessing the potential impacts of Mona Offshore Wind Project		Agreed



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.HFR.10	Assessment of the effects from the project alone	No significant adverse effects on hydrology and flood risk are predicted to arise from the development of Mona Offshore Wind Project. Specific assessment of geomorphological impacts was not undertaken in Volume 3, Chapter 2: Hydrology and Flood Risk (APP-065), however the WFD assessment considers the hydromorphological supporting conditions of a water body which includes geomorphology.	The Councils consider the assessment of significant effects within F3.2 Hydrology and Flood Risk [APP-065] does not adequately consider the range of potential effects to surface waters. The assessment does not consider effects to fluvial geomorphology of the Ordinary Watercourses crossed by the route or impacted by temporary activities such as the haul roads. The Geomorphology Clarification Note [REP4- 040] sufficiently addresses this matter, this is now agreed.	Agreed
DCC.HFR.11	Assessment of the effects from the project alone	No significant adverse effects on hydrology and flood risk are predicted to arise from the development of Mona Offshore Wind Project. Paragraph 1.10.4.3 of the Outline Code of Construction Practice (REP2-038) details the controls that will be put in place to ensure flood risk from surface runoff is not increased due to the haul road.		Agreed



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.HRF.12	Assessment of the effects from the project cumulatively with other projects	No significant adverse effects on hydrology and flood risk are predicted to arise from the development of Mona Offshore Wind Project cumulatively with other projects and plans Specific assessment of geomorphological impacts was not undertaken in Volume 3, Chapter 2: Hydrology and Flood Risk (APP-065), however the WFD assessment considers the hydromorphological supporting conditions of a water body which includes geomorphology.	the assessment mean that the water environment effects are not fully reported. The Geomorphology Clarification Note [REP4-040] sufficiently addresses this matter, this is now	Agreed
DCC.HRF.13	Mitigation	The mitigation measures identified within Volume 3, Chapter 2: Hydrology and Flood Risk (APP-065) and the Mitigation and Monitoring schedule (APP- 196) and secured through the dDCO (PDA-003) are appropriate and will ensure significant effects are avoided. Paragraph 1.6.4.1 of the Outline Construction Surface Water and Drainage Management Plan (REP2-050) includes detail in respect of management measures to be implemented to mitigate temporary changes in run-off. In addition, paragraph 1.10.4.3 of the Outline Code of Construction Practice (REP2-038) details the controls that will be put in place to ensure flood risk from surface runoff is not increased due to the haul road.	additional mitigation to mitigate temporary changes in runoff during construction. This would likely take the form of temporary attenuation	Agreed



Applicant's Position DCC's Position Reference **Discussion point Status** Number **Other Documents and Plans** DCC.HRF.14 **Outline Management Plans** The Outline Code of Construction Practice (APP-As above. This is agreed. Agreed 212) and the accompanying outline management plans will be secured through the dDCO (PDA-003) are appropriate with regard to proposed mitigation measures. Paragraph 1.6.4.1 of the Outline Construction Surface Water and Drainage Management Plan (REP2-050) includes detail in respect of management measures to be implemented to mitigate temporary changes in run-off. In addition, paragraph 1.10.4.3 of the Outline Code of Construction Practice (REP2-038) details the controls that will be put in place to ensure flood risk from surface runoff is not increased due to the haul road. Ongoing point of DCC.HRF.15 Land drainage consent The necessary information which would ordinarily It is noted in J1 Other Consents or Licences be required to inform an application for Ordinary Required [APP-185] that the Applicant is seeking discussion to disapply the Land Drainage Act 1991 through Watercourse Consent can be submitted to the Examination in order that the Land Drainage Act the DCO, in obtaining Ordinary Watercourse 1991 can be disapplied. Consent. Document J1 identifies that discussions are required with the Councils on this matter. The Councils object to the disapplication of this legislation as at present they have not been provided with the information typically required for an Ordinary Watercourse Consent. Therefore, the Councils maintain the position that they are unable to fully assess the impacts and risks of the works where ordinary watercourses are crossed.



1.4.5 **Noise and Vibration**

Table 1.8: Agreement Log between the parties on Noise and Vibration.

Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
EIA				
DCC.NV.1	Consultation	The Applicant has undertaken adequate consultation with DCC on the potential impacts of the Mona		Agreed
		Offshore Wind Project on noise and vibration.	Source: In the absence of specific comment in the Local Impact Report (REP1-049) the matter is considered agreed.	Agreed
DCC.NV.2	Consultation	The Application documents have had due regard to matters raised by DCC through statutory and non-statutory consultation on noise and vibration.	This is agreed in principle, noting that pre- application engagement on this topic has been limited, as identified in the technical engagement plan appendices S.	Not agreed but not material
DCC.NV.3	Policy and planning	The Application has identified and considered the most up-to-date plans and policies as relevant to noise and vibration, within DCC's remit.		Agreed
			Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.7.1).	
DCC.NV.4	Surveys	The site-specific surveys for noise and vibration have been undertaken in accordance with agreed methodologies		Agreed
DCC.NV.5	Surveys	Sufficient primary and secondary data (including site- specific surveys) has been collated to appropriately characterise the noise and vibration baseline environment for the purposes of Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) within Volume 3, Chapter 9: Noise and Vibration (APP-072).		Agreed
DCC.NV.6	Baseline environment	The baseline environment for noise and vibration is appropriately characterised in Volume 3, Chapter 9: Noise and Vibration (APP-072).		Agreed



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.NV.7	Study area	The noise and vibration study area is appropriate for the impacts and the receptors assessed.	DCC considers that the study area for the noise and vibration assessment is appropriate for the receptors, sites and impacts	Agreed
			Source: In the absence of specific comment in the Local Impact Report (REP1-049) the Applicant proposes that this matter is agreed.	
DCC.NV.8	Assessment methodology	The sensitivity and significance of the noise and vibration receptors has been appropriately and adequately described within Volume 3, Chapter 9: Noise and Vibration (APP-072).	Agreed.	Agreed
DCC.NV.9	Assessment methodology	The methodologies used in within Volume 3, Chapter 9: Noise and Vibration (APP-072) are appropriate for assessing the potential impacts of Mona Offshore	Overall, the noise and vibration assessment reported is appropriate and has applied methods in line with current guidance and best practice.	Agreed
		Wind Project	Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.7.1).	
DCC.NV.10	Assessment methodology – construction noise	The methodologies used in within Volume 3, Chapter 9: Noise and Vibration (APP-072) are appropriate for assessing the potential impacts of Mona Offshore Wind Project in respect of construction noise.	relevant British Standard (BS5228:201945) and	Agreed
			Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.7.1).	
DCC.NV.11	Assessment methodology – operational noise	The methodologies used in within Volume 3, Chapter 9: Noise and Vibration (APP-072) are appropriate for assessing the potential impacts of Mona Offshore		Agreed
		Wind Project in respect of operational noise.	Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.7.1).	



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.NV.12	Assessment methodology – construction vibration	The methodologies used in within Volume 3, Chapter 9: Noise and Vibration (APP-072) are appropriate for assessing the potential impacts of Mona Offshore Wind Project in respect of construction vibration. Further information in respect of construction vibration has been prepared and is to be submitted to the Examination at Deadline 4.	except that no consideration has been given to	Ongoing point of discussion
DCC.NV.13	Assessment methodology – operational vibration	The methodologies used in within Volume 3, Chapter 9: Noise and Vibration (APP-072) are appropriate for assessing the potential impacts of Mona Offshore Wind Project in respect of operational vibration.		Agreed
DCC.NV.14	Project design envelope	The appropriate Maximum Design Scenario has been used in the Volume 7, Annex 9.2: Construction Noise and Vibration Technical Report (APP-179) and Annex 9.3: Operational Noise Assessment (APP- 180). The Outline Construction Nosie and Vibration Management Plan has been updated at Deadline 4 (REP4-021) to clarify that "the final Construction Noise and Vibration Management Plan will include an assessment of [peak particle velocity] PPV arising from all construction activities likely to result in construction vibration impacts, informed by the detailed design, and will be submitted for approval by the relevant authority in advance of any vibration generating works taking place."	scenario has been used in the assessment and that there are adequate controls in the DCO to ensure the MDS is not exceeded.	Agreed



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.NV.15	Assessment of the effects from the project alone – construction noise	No significant adverse effects in respect of construction noise are predicted to arise from the development of Mona Offshore Wind Project.		Agreed
			Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.7.1).	
DCC.NV.16	Assessment of the effects from the project alone	No significant adverse effects on noise and vibration are predicted to arise from the development of Mona Offshore Wind Project.		Ongoing point of discussion
		Further information in respect of construction vibration has been prepared and is to be submitted to the Examination at Deadline 4.		
DCC.NV.17	Assessment of the effects from the project cumulatively with other projects	No significant adverse effects on noise and vibration are predicted to arise from the development of Mona Offshore Wind Project cumulatively with other projects and plans	Section 9.11 in Environmental Statement - Volume	Agreed
			Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.7.1).	
DCC.NV.18	Mitigation	The mitigation measures outlined in the Volume 3, Chapter 9: Noise and Vibration and Mitigation and Monitoring schedule (APP-196) are secured through the dDCO (PDA-003) and are appropriate will ensure significant effects are avoided.	Section 9.3 of Environmental Statement - Volume 3, Chapter 9: Noise and Vibration (APP-072). describes embedded mitigation measures that would be incorporated as part of the scheme, which are appropriate and would be expected to mitigate and minimise impacts.	Agreed
			Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.7.1).	



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
CCBC.NV.20	Soundscape Assessment	No further soundscape assessment is required.	The Councils have had regard to the policies in the Noise and Soundscape Plan for Wales 2023-2028 in reviewing the DCO application, and are content that the information provided by the Applicant via ES Chapter 9 [APP-072] is sufficient to be compatible with the requirements of the Noise and Soundscape Plan for 2023-2028. No further information in respect of this aspect of the noise assessment is required.	Agreed
Other Docun	nents and Plans			
DCC.NV.19	Outline Construction Noise and Vibration Management Plan (APP-215)	The Outline Code of Construction Practice (APP- 212) and the accompanying Outline Construction Noise and Vibration Management Plan (APP-215) will be secured through the dDCO (PDA-003) and are appropriate with regard to proposed mitigation and monitoring measures.	outline CNVMP are appropriate and would be expected to mitigate and minimise impacts.	Agreed



1.4.6 **Traffic and Transport**

Table 1.9: Agreement Log between the parties on Traffic and Transport.

Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
EIA				
DCC.TT.1	Consultation	The Applicant has undertaken adequate consultation with DCC on the potential impacts of the Mona Offshore Wind Project	DCC agrees that the Applicant has undertaken adequate consultation.	Agreed
		on traffic and transport.	Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.5.2).	
DCC.TT.2	Consultation	The Application documents have had due regard to matters raised by DCC through statutory and non-statutory consultation on potential impacts on traffic and transport.	The Councils, Welsh Government and the North and Mid Wales Trunk Road Agent have raised several points through the pre- application consultation process. These points were evidently used to inform the scope of transport work undertaken by the Applicant.	Agreed
			Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.5.2).	
DCC.TT.3	Policy and planning	The Application has identified and considered the most up-to-date plans and policies as relevant to traffic and transport, within DCC's remit.	DCC agrees that the Application has identified and considered all plans and policies relevant to traffic and transport, within DCC's remit	Agreed
			Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.5.2).	
DCC.TT.4	Surveys	The site-specific surveys for traffic and transport have been undertaken in accordance with appropriate methodologies	The Applicant has provided a suitable baseline on which to base assessment. The method for determining the Future Baseline Scenario is valid and is deemed to be appropriate with suitable filtering and cross check of committed development and the TEMPro software program. The committed developments included within the assessment generally appear appropriate.	Agreed
DCC.TT.5	Surveys	Sufficient primary and secondary data (including site-specific surveys) has been collated to appropriately characterise the traffic and transport baseline environment for the purposes of Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) within Volume 3, Chapter 8: Traffic and Transport (APP-071).	As above, agreed, except in relation to CEA. See TT.12 for more information.	Ongoing point of discussion



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.TT.6	Baseline environment	The baseline environment for traffic and transport has been appropriately	The Applicant has provided a suitable baseline on which to base assessment.	Agreed
		characterised in Volume 3, Chapter 8: Traffic and Transport (APP-071).	Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.5.2).	
DCC.TT.7	Study area	The traffic and transport study area is appropriate for the receptors, sites and	DCC considers that the study area for the traffic and transport is appropriate for the receptors, sites and impacts	Agreed
		impacts assessed.	Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.5.2).	Agreed
DCC.TT.8	Assessment methodology	The sensitivity and significance of the traffic and transport receptors has been appropriately and adequately described within Volume 3, Chapter 8: Traffic and Transport (APP-071).	Agreed.	Agreed
DCC.TT.9	Assessment methodology	The methodologies used in within Volume 3, Chapter 8: Traffic and Transport (APP-071) are appropriate for assessing the potential impacts of Mona Offshore Wind Project.	The assessment methodology has been based on best practice guidance and applies the two key rules outlined by the Environmental Assessment of Traffic and Movement (IEMA, 2023). It is in line with industry standards. Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.5.2).	Agreed
DCC.TT.10	Project design envelope	The appropriate Maximum Design Scenario has been used to identify, describe and assess the construction vehicle trip generation, distribution and assignment in Volume 7, Annex 8.5: Construction Vehicle Trip Assumptions (APP-175).	Agreed, with the exception of the CEA study area. See TT.12 for more information	Ongoing point of discussion
DCC.TT.11	Assessment of the effects from the project	No significant adverse effects on traffic and transport are predicted to arise from the	The Councils consider that the impacts identified are appropriate and cover the key areas for assessment.	Agreed
	alone	development of Mona Offshore Wind Project.	Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.5.2).	Agreed Agreed Agreed Agreed Ongoing point of discussion



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.TT.12	Assessment of the effects from the project cumulatively with other projects	No significant adverse effects on traffic and transport are predicted to arise from the development of Mona Offshore Wind Project cumulatively with other projects and plans A response to Local Impact Report was submitted at Deadline 2 (REP1-049.64) to confirm the Applicant's position that there is no requirement to expand the traffic and transport study area to undertake the Cumulative Effects Assessment. The response includes further justification which is not contained in Volume 3, Chapter 8: Traffic and Transport (APP-071). Further detail has been provided at Deadline 3 in response to the Examining Authority's written question Q1.22.1 (S_D3_25.9).	The study area being set to 1km from the Onshore Mona Development Area means that a wider, more strategic assessment has not been undertaken. This is pertinent to the Cumulative Effects Assessment (CEA) which has been limited as a result. The impact on the local and specifically the Strategic Road Network could reach out significantly beyond 1km. Whist the extent of the traffic and transport study area was agreed, it is considered that the CEA should not be based on the same area. The Councils consider this matter would benefit from further justification by the Applicant. Whilst it is noted that the dispersion of construction traffic may result in an overall minimal impact there may be occasions where AIL or batched delivery vehicles do impact at a wider geographical scale. This point is not covered to date. We would expect the issue to be highlighted and addressed within the CTMP at a minimum in terms of protocol proposed to mitigate any impact. What level of confidence in relation to impact can be provided regarding those cumulative developments outside of the 1km where you state the MODA traffic generation has dispersed but the other developments have not. How can the Council's be assured that a 'tipping point' has not been reached? The Councils have reviewed the study area note submitted by the Applicant in respect of ExQ1.22.1 [REP3-070], however it has not resolved the concern regarding the CEA. The assumption that the impact will be dispersed outside of the 1km study area due to there being a higher background traffic level is acceptable. However, the concern raised is that the 1km study area will not pick up cumulative impact outside of this area where a minimal increase could be significant as a result. We would have expected to see a wider area percentage impact assessment to validate the approach. Secondly, in addition to increased flow of traffic, the type of vehicle may also cause multiple 'one-off' events that reduce junction and link performance. This should be considered.	



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.TT.13	Mitigation	The mitigation measures outlined in the Volume 3, Chapter 8: Traffic and Transport and the Mitigation and Monitoring schedule (APP-196) and secured through the dDCO (PDA-003) are appropriate will ensure significant effects are avoided.	Appropriate mitigation is secured in the outline management plans as agreed in DCC.TT.14 to DCC.TT.17 below. Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.5.2).	Agreed
Other Docu	ments and Plans			
DCC.TT.14	Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan	The Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan (APP-225) is secured through the dDCO (PDA-003) and is appropriate with regard to proposed mitigation and monitoring measures.	The Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan provides a suitable level of detail of appropriate mitigation and is broadly accepted. However, the Councils have some concern over the CEA and without being confident of that assessment, cannot be certain that other measures are not required in the CTMP.	Ongoing point of discussion
		A response to Local Impact Report was submitted at Deadline 2 (REP1-049.64) to confirm the Applicant's position that there is no requirement to expand the traffic and transport study area to undertake the Cumulative Effects Assessment. The response includes further justification which is not contained in Volume 3, Chapter 8: Traffic and Transport (APP-071).	Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.5.2).	
		Further detail has been provided at Deadline 3 in response to the Examining Authority's written question Q1.22.1 (S_D3_25.9).		
DCC.TT.15	Outline Public Rights of Way Management Strategy	The Outline Public Rights of Way Management Strategy (APP-229) is secured through the dDCO (PDA-003) and is appropriate with regard to proposed mitigation and monitoring measures.	Measures outlined within the Outline Public Rights of Way Management Strategy (APP-229) provide an appropriate level of detail in relation to the identification of the impacted routes and the proposed management and/or temporary diversions. Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.5.2).	Agreed



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.TT.16	Outline Highways Access Management Plan	Plan (APP-228) is secured through the dDCO (PDA-003) and is appropriate with regard to	The Outline Highways Access Management Plan introduces both potential highway speed limit changes and multiple traffic management and junction mitigation schemes. These items are to be sufficiently secured through Requirement 9 of the DCO and include for the Road Safety Assessment process and ultimate approval of any scheme from the Councils as highways authority, as named DCO consultee. The Councils understand that updates are being made by the Applicant to the Outline Highways Access Management Plan and the Other Consents and Licences in relation to approvals for street works and creation of site accesses following concern raised about the proposed disapplication of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. This is to be provided at a later deadline. Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.5.2).	Ongoing point of discussion



1.4.7 **Air Quality**

Table 1.10: Agreement Log between the parties on Air Quality.

Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
EIA				
DCC.AQ.1	Air quality – overall	All matters are agreed.	No matters remain under discussion that have not been agreed by the parties.	Agreed



1.4.8 **Historic Environment**

 Table 1.11: Agreement Log between the parties on Heritage.

Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
EIA				
DCC.HE.1	Historic environment – overall	The Applicant is agreeing a separate SoCG with Heneb (REP1-035).	The Council defers to Heneb on matters regarding historic environment and considers all matters agreed.	Agreed



1.4.9 Landscape and Visual Resources

Table 1.12: Agreement Log between the parties on Landscape and Visual Resources.

Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
EIA				
DCC.LVI.1	Consultation	The Applicant has undertaken adequate consultation with DCC on the potential impacts of the Mona Offshore Wind Project on landscape and visual impact.		Agreed
DCC.LVI.2	Consultation	The Application documents have had due regard to matters raised by DCC through statutory and non-statutory consultation on potential impacts on landscape and visual impact.	application engagement on this topic has been	Not agreed but not material
DCC.LVI.3	Policy	The Application documents have identified and considered the most up-to-date plans and policies as relevant to landscape and visual impact within DCC's remit.	and considered all plans and policies relevant to	Agreed
DCC.LVI.4	Surveys	The site-specific surveys have been undertaken in accordance with agreed methodologies.	Agreed.	Agreed
DCC.LVI.5	Surveys	Sufficient primary and secondary data (including site-specific surveys) has been collated to appropriately characterise the landscape and visual baseline environment for the purposes of Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) within Volume 3, Chapter 6: Landscape and Visual Resources (APP-069). The Applicant submitted supplementary information regarding surveys undertaken at the Denbighshire Memorial Park and Crematorium at Deadline 4 (REP4-044).	and the viewpoints representing a range of visual receptors included in the SLVIA is adequate.	Agreed



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.LVI.6	Baseline environment	The baseline environment for landscape and visual receptors is appropriately characterised in Volume 3, Chapter 6: Landscape and Visual Resources (APP-069).	proportionate to the proposed onshore aspects of	Agreed
			3.3.2).	
DCC.LVI.7	Study area	The landscape and visual resources study area is appropriate for the receptors, sites and impacts assessed.		Agreed
			Source: In the absence of specific comment in the Local Impact Report (REP1-049) the matter is considered agreed,	
DCC.LVI.8	Project design envelope	The assessment in Volume 3, Chapter 6: Landscape and Visual Resources (APP-069) has appropriately defined the Maximum Design Scenario (MDS) for the purposes of EIA. The Applicant has provided a lighting clarification note (REP4-043) at Deadline 4 and an updated Outline Landscape and Ecology Management Plan (J22 F03) at Deadline 5 to address DCC's comments.	landscape after the haul road and cable trenches and construction compounds. Reinstatement is mentioned in the requirements, but there is no reinstatement planting / seeding shown on any drawings or in the LEMP to cover these	Ongoing point of discussion
DCC.LVI.9	Assessment methodology	The sensitivity of landscape and visual receptors has been correctly identified and sufficiently described within Volume 3, Chapter 6: Landscape and Visual Resources (APP-069). The Applicant's position is that the use of split categories within landscape assessments is relatively common and that moderate adverse effects can either be 'not significant' or 'significant'. This is in accordance with 3(5) from Notes and Clarifications on Aspects of GLVIA (Landscape Institute, 2024).	scope of the assessment and the extent and granularity of the baseline drawn is appropriate	Ongoing point of discussion



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.LVI.10	Assessment methodology	The methodologies used within Volume 3, Chapter 6: Landscape and Visual Resources (APP-069) are appropriate for assessing the potential impacts of Mona Offshore Wind Project with regard to landscape and visual impact.		Ongoing point of discussion
DCC.LVI.11	Assessment of the effects from the project alone on Offa's Dyke and Clwydian Range AONB	The likely adverse residual effects (in EIA terms) identified within Volume 3, Chapter 6: Landscape and visual resource (APP-069) in respect of Offa's Dyke and Clwydian Range AONB will be of minor adverse significance which is not significant in EIA terms.	effects from the project alone is robust and correct. Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.3.4).	Agreed
DCC.LVI.12	Assessment of the effects from the project alone	The likely significant adverse residual effects (in EIA terms) identified within Volume 3, Chapter 6: Landscape and visual resource (APP-069) represent a comprehensive list of the likely significant adverse residual effects on landscape and visual resources.	methodological issues around the way split assessment categories have been used/presented and the overly high significance	Ongoing point of discussion



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.LVI.13	Assessment of the effects from the project alone on users of Denbighshire Memorial Park and Crematorium	The assessment of effects of the project alone on users of Denbighshire Memorial Park and Crematorium have been appropriately considered as part of the assessment of effects on Viewpoint 4 as set out in Volume 3, Chapter 6: Landscape and visual resource (APP-069). The Applicant submitted supplementary information regarding surveys undertaken at the Denbighshire Memorial Park and Crematorium at Deadline 4 (REP4-044).	Annotated Photographs of the Denbighshire Memorial Park and Crematorium (REP4-044). The councils agree with the assessment at paragraph 6.11.1.27 in in Volume 3, Chapter 6: Landscape and visual resource (APP-069) that the magnitude of change on visual receptors	Ongoing point of discussion



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.LVI.14a	Assessment of the effects from the project cumulatively with other projects	Potential cumulative effects on users of the North Wales Pilgrims Way were discussed during a meeting on 11 October. Representative viewpoint 6 (view northwest from minor road at Ty'n-y-Ffordd Fawr) provides a view towards the Onshore Substation from the North Wales Pilgrims Way. The assessment presented in (APP-069) assumed the sensitivity of users along the minor road was medium, however as this stretch of the road forms part of the North Wales Pilgrims' Way the sensitivity of walkers could be high. It was agreed during the meeting that the magnitude of impact would be small. In the assessment of effects at VP6, the Applicant will include the sensitivity of walkers along the North Wales Pilgrims Way. The significance of effect will be minor to moderate adverse, which is not significant, due to the lack of visibility of the other cumulative developments from this viewpoint.	Wales Pilgrims Way is required.	Agreed
DCC.LVI.14b		The Applicant's position is that the use of split categories within landscape assessments is relatively common and that moderate adverse effects can either be 'not significant' or 'significant'. This is in accordance with 3(5) from Notes and Clarifications on Aspects of GLVIA (Landscape Institute, 2024).	categories where the applicant chooses one category ' or ' the other is common practice. The relevant issue around the way split categories have been used in this assessment is addressed	Agreed



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.LVI.14c		cumulatively with other project and plans identified within Volume 3, Chapter 6: Landscape and visual	assessment criteria, it is assumed that the applicant has used the same assessment criteria and definitions as for the Landscape and visual assessment. Therefore, the same methodological issues raised in regard to split categories and the	Ongoing point of discussion
DCC.LVI.15	Mitigation	The mitigation measures outlined in the Volume 3, Chapter 6: Landscape and visual resource (APP- 069) and the Mitigation and Monitoring schedule (APP-196) are secured through the dDCO (PDA- 003) and are appropriate.	mitigation and the landscape design as presented in Figure 6.5 to be appropriate and	Ongoing point of discussion
		The mitigation proposed is designed to address both effects of the project alone and any potential cumulative effects.		
			No mitigation for cumulative effects has been proposed.	



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.LVI.16	Reinstatement	 Requirement 15 of the dDCO (PDA-003) requires any land landward of MLW which is used temporarily for construction of the onshore works and not ultimately incorporated in permanent works or approved landscaping or ecological works must be reinstated within 12 months of completion of the relevant stage of the onshore works. Other applications which include controls to ensure appropriate reinstatement include: Outline Soil Management Plan (REP2-054) Outline Landscape and Ecology Management Plan (REP2-034) Further controls could be contained within the oLEMP to be submitted at a later deadline in order for this matter to be agreed. The Applicant has provided an updated Outline Landscape and Ecology Management Plan (J22 F03) at Deadline 5 to address DCC's comments. 	reinstate habitats and landscape elements following completion of the onshore cable routes and construction compounds. Could the applicant please point the Councils to where this information is provided and how its detailed design, delivery and aftercare will be secured in the DCO. The Applicant has shared a draft of an updated oLEMP to be submitted at Deadline 5. The Councils are reviewing this and will provide an update following Deadline 5.	Ongoing point of discussion



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.LVI.17	Lighting	No permanent lighting is proposed at the substation however, security lighting and emergency lighting will be in use during operation and task lighting may be required for construction as necessary. The Applicant has provided a lighting clarification note (REP4-043) at Deadline 4 to address DCC's comments.	lighting of any kind in their Assessment of Landscape or visual effects. The applicant has submitted a helpful Lighting Clarification Note which better explains what lighting is proposed	Agreed
			The Councils accept that lighting as described may not give rise to landscape or visual effects, but to ensure this, there will need to be robust and enforceable controls in place and associated monitoring during construction and operation to ensure that this is the case. The Councils will look to:	
			 the applicant's implementation of the Artificial Light Emissions Plan (REP2- 058) to control of construction lighting; and 	
			 the applicant's written scheme for the management and mitigation of internal and external artificial light emissions to control operational lighting. 	
			It is therefore advised that the applicant should in due course provide additional detail in the more detailed Artificial Lighting Plan and developed detailed design information. In order to agree lighting proposals when discharging requirements, the councils will require adequate detail around construction and operational lighting types, heights, and design, expected frequencies, associated mitigation and lighting management and monitoring measures.	



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
Other Docume	ents and Plans			
DCC.LVI.18	Outline Landscape and Ecology Management Plan (LEMP)	The Outline Landscape and Ecology Management Plan (LEMP) (APP-208) and the Outline Code of Construction Practice (CoCP) (APP-212) and the accompanying outline management plans are secured through the dDCO (PDA-003) and are appropriate with regard to proposed mitigation measures and monitoring. The Applicant has provided an updated Outline Landscape and Ecology Management Plan (J22 F03) at Deadline 5 to address DCC's comments.	Management Plan (OLEMP) [APP-208] general principles and objectives as set out in outline, appear to be appropriate in terms of caring for the soft landscape and habitats mitigation and delivering the necessary levels of mitigation relied upon in the ES.	Ongoing point of discussion



1.4.10 Arboriculture

 Table 1.13: Agreement Log between the parties on Arboriculture.

Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.ARB.1	Consultation	The Applicant has undertaken adequate consultation with DCC on the potential impacts of	DCC agrees that the Applicant has undertaken adequate consultation.	Agreed
		the Mona Offshore Wind Project on arboriculture.	Source: In the absence of specific comment in the Local Impact Report (REP1-049) the matter is considered agreed.	
DCC.ARB.2	Consultation	The Application documents have had due regard to matters raised by DCC through statutory and non-statutory consultation on potential impacts on arboriculture.	This is agreed in principle, noting that pre- application engagement on this topic has been limited	Agreed
DCC.ARB.3	Policy	The Application documents have identified and considered the most up-to-date plans and policies as relevant to arboriculture, within DCC's remit.	DCC agrees that the Application has identified and considered all plans and policies relevant to air quality, within DCC's remit.	Agreed
			Source: In the absence of specific comment in the Local Impact Report (REP1-049) the matter is considered agreed.	



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.ARB.4	Surveys	The site-specific surveys have been undertaken in accordance with agreed methodologies. Additional survey data has been collected since the submission of the Mona Offshore Wind Farm Project and was provided in the Tree Survey Clarification Note (REP3-052) at Deadline 3.	The overall approach to undertaking tree survey has been found acceptable. Given the nature of the Order Limits in terms of size, the approach taking to tree plotting and the level of accuracy is reasonable and acceptable. However around one third of the Order Limits (the Onshore Cable Corridor) was not accessible for the surveyors, and in this area, trees have been surveyed from afar and plotted using aerial photography. As no ground-level survey was conducted, most of the characteristics of these trees, including their RPAs, stem diameters, veteran status, age class, estimated life expectancy and condition, have been estimated. An updated survey is awaited at Deadline 3.Source: Local Impact Report (REP1- 049) (section 3.8.1). An updated survey on the Onshore Cable Route including almost all of the area hitherto not surveyed formally has been conducted and submitted as part of Submission 3 (summarised in Tree Survey Clarification Note REP3-049) and the appended Tree Survey Plans (REP3-052–54 pages 8-20 of REP3-053) and Tree Survey Schedules (REP3-050–051). A small area comprising one field and trees adjacent to a lane immediately south of St Asaph's Business Park has still not been surveyed formally due to inaccessibility (pages 4 and 5 of REP3-054). In the newly surveyed area, various high quality Category A trees have been identified and several ancient/veteran trees. The level of accuracy and data captured is acceptable. Inclusion of this information gives greater confidence in the submitted assessment of the impacts of the proposed development, especially as regards trees that represent irreplaceable habitat (ancient and veteran trees) and high quality (Category A) trees.	Agreed



aseline environment for arboriculture is priately characterised in the Tree survey boriculture impact assessment (APP-160- Additional survey data has been collected the submission of the Mona Offshore Wind Project and and was provided in the Tree y Clarification Note (REP3-052) at ine 3.	Insofar as can be judged without on-site verification, for the areas (roughly two thirds of the Order Limits) subject to detailed survey, the baseline assessment of trees is acceptable, and conforms to both BS5837:2012 and DCC's Policy RD1.	Agreed
ine 3.	This matter cannot be fully agreed given the gap	
Deadline 3.	in the baseline survey. Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section	
	The baseline assessment of trees provided at Deadline 3 is almost complete and is acceptable, conforming to both BS5837:2012 and DCC's Policy RD1. Ideally the outstanding survey would be completed before completion of the DCO process, but given that it can be observed from the Tree Protection Plan (p. 8 of Part 3) that the impacts on unsurveyed trees/hedges in the unsurveyed would mostly be minor, and provided that the minor amendment requested in DCC.ARB.9 is made, the lack of survey data for this small area is not deemed critical to the assessment.	
rboriculture study area is appropriate for the cors, sites and impacts assessed.	A detailed survey of trees, woodlands and hedges within and within influencing distance of the Order Limits was carried out as a baseline assessment, in accordance with British Standard	Agreed
		Deadline 3 is almost complete and is acceptable, conforming to both BS5837:2012 and DCC's Policy RD1. Ideally the outstanding survey would be completed before completion of the DCO process, but given that it can be observed from the Tree Protection Plan (p. 8 of Part 3) that the impacts on unsurveyed trees/hedges in the unsurveyed would mostly be minor, and provided that the minor amendment requested in DCC.ARB.9 is made, the lack of survey data for this small area is not deemed critical to the assessment.boriculture study area is appropriate for the ors, sites and impacts assessed.A detailed survey of trees, woodlands and hedges within and within influencing distance of the Order Limits was carried out as a baseline



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.ARB.7	Assessment methodology	The methodology used within the Tree survey and arboriculture impact assessment (APP-160- 167) is appropriate for assessing the potential impacts of Mona Offshore Wind Project with regard to arboriculture. Additional survey data has been collected since the submission of the Mona Offshore Wind Farm Project and was provided in the Tree Survey Clarification Note (REP3-052) at Deadline 3.	Regarding the gaps in the survey, a generic methodology has been proposed to deal with trees in these areas by which trees are subjected to an assessment of their likelihood to constrain development based on their likely proximity to construction activities (a BRAG system). This is not an adequate substitute for a detailed assessment of the impact of the proposals on trees because it cannot properly take into account the required Construction Exclusion Zones needed for each tree, as these are based on RPAs which could not be calculated, or veteran status (veteran trees are afforded specific protection under PPW 12) and also require an extended buffer zone around their RPAs. We await the updated survey information and revised assessment to determine the impacts on trees in the remaining third of the site. Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.8.1). Revised survey information adequate to assess the impacts and provide mitigation has been provided at Deadline 3 for all but one small area south of St Asaph Business Park. The proposed impacts are adequately detailed (except for this area). See the response to DCC.ARB.9 for additional comments on the requirements for this area.	Agreed
DCC.ARB.8	Assessment methodology	Statutory protections covering the trees/woodlands within the Order Limits are appropriately identified and considered within the Arboricultural Impact Assessment (AIA).	A desktop exercise to establish the existence of statutory protections covering the trees/woodlands within the Order Limits is presented within the AIA. There are no Tree Preservation Orders (TPOs) covering trees within or within influencing distance of the Order Limits within Denbighshire County.	Agreed



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.ARB.9.1	Assessment methodology	Special designations covering Ancient Woodland and important hedgerows are appropriately identified and considered within the Arboricultural Impact Assessment (AIA).	Ancient woodland within or within influencing distance of the Order Limits has been identified with reference to DataMap Wales (a dataset based on the national Ancient Woodland Inventory) and is identified on the Tree Survey Plan, Tree and Hedge Protection Plan and Tree and Hedgerow Plan in sufficient detail for the effects on Ancient Woodland to be assessed.	Agreed
			Important hedges covered by the Hedgerow Regulations (1997) are identified on the Tree and Hedgerow Plan (B14) in sufficient detail for the impacts to be assessed.	
DCC.ARB.9.2	Assessment methodology	Special designations covering veteran trees are appropriately identified and considered within the Arboricultural Impact Assessment (AIA).	Veteran trees are identified on the Tree and Hedgerow Plan (B14), based on acceptable criteria set out in the AIA.	Agreed
DCC.ARB.9.3	Assessment methodology	Special designations covering veteran trees are appropriately identified and considered within the Arboricultural Impact Assessment (AIA).	In all but one area, survey information adequate to identify ancient/veteran trees (AVT) and ancient woodland has been submitted at Deadline 3. As AVT status could not be established for the remaining unsurveyed area, a commitment is sought that all cable crossings that pass beneath field boundaries with trees will be trenchless until it can be definitely determined that none of these trees have AVT status.	Ongoing point of discussion



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.ARB.9.4	Assessment methodology	Special designations covering veteran trees are appropriately identified and considered within the Arboricultural Impact Assessment (AIA). As the detailed design has not yet been undertaken for the haul road, it is not possible to commit to definitively routing the haul road outside of the buffers of the veteran trees which have been identified. However, the council will have the opportunity to approve the proposed mitigation once an appropriate level of detail is available, through the discharge of the final Arboricualtural Method Statement. The Applicant believes this is an appropriate level of control for this stage of the Project.	Of the 12 veteran trees identified during the survey, only 3 are within the order limits. However, the presence of veteran trees within the area assessed with reference to aerial photography has not been assessed, and therefore the data is incomplete in this regard. At Deadline 3, additional veteran trees have been identified within the newly surveyed areas, some of which will be impacted by the proposed development. Two veteran trees, T389 and T401 (both Category A), are within the possible trajectory of the haul road. The Tree Protection Plan (REP3-056) states that if the haul road needs to cross the veteran tree buffer zone, the mitigation for this incursion will be that the work is completed under an Arboricultural Watching Brief. However, this is considered inadequate to ensure that there are no negative impacts on AVT, and commitment is therefore sought to definitively route the haul road outside of the buffer zones of these two trees.	
DCC.ARB.9.5	Assessment methodology		The Outline AMS also provides inadequate means within its Tree Protection Protocol of establishing the additional buffer for ancient/veteran trees – it merely refers to the RPA, yet the AVT buffer exceeds this. The Outline AMS should be updated to include details of how to calculate and protect the AVT buffer zones.	Ongoing point of discussion
DCC.ARB.9.6	Assessment methodology	Tree survey data has been cross-checked with Ancient Tree Inventory (see Tree Survey Clarification Note (REP3-052) at Deadline 3), there are currently no Ancient Tree Inventory records within the order limits.	The Councils previous concerns on this matter are resolved through REP3-052	Agreed



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.ARB.10	Assessment the effects from the project – general	The impact assessment contained within the Tree survey and arboriculture impact assessment (APP-160-167) accurately characterises the potential construction effects on arboriculture.	Given the scale of development, the number of tree removals as stated in the AIA is acceptable. However, given the lack of detailed assessment of the impacts of the cable route on retained trees, the true number of trees that will require removal cannot be assessed.	Agreed
			In addition to an updated survey and assessment at Deadline 3, the Councils request that all tree and hedge removals are tabulated for ease of reference, as well as shown on plan, both in the updated AIA for the ES and the final AMS.	
			The number of tree removals based on the almost complete survey has been assessed as 56, which is only 1 greater than in the previous submission documents, and therefore the statement about the acceptability of this given the mitigation offered stands. An area of poor-quality ash woodland (W2) near the proposed substation will also be removed. Adequate mitigation for this loss is proposed. In the maximum design scenario, 7000 m of hedgerow would be temporarily lost and then replanted, and 550 m of hedgerow would be permanently lost. This would be mitigated by the replanting of 2500 m of crated or enhanced hedgerows, which is a 4.5:1 ratio and therefore adequate.	
			The proposed tree and hedge removals still have not been tabulated for ease of reference in the updated submission at Deadline 3. However, the revised Outline AMS (REP2-073) sets out at Section 1.4 the items that will be provided in the Final AMS, which include a schedule and plan of trees, whole hedges and maximum lengths of partial hedges to be removed.	



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCB.ARB.11	Assessment the effects from the project – temporary haul road	The Applicant confirms that a temporary haul road within the Onshore Cable Corridor has been considered in the AIA, however it is not shown on the Tree and Hedgerow Protection Plan because location of the haul road will be confirmed during detailed design.	The Councils contend that the effects of the Temporary Haul Road cannot be assessed if its route is not shown in relation to the tree survey data. However, it is accepted that this will be provided at detailed design.	Not agreed, but not material
DCC.ARB.12	Assessment the effects from the project -operational	The impact assessment contained within the Tree survey and arboriculture impact assessment (APP-160-167) accurately characterises the potential operational effects on arboriculture.	The Councils agree on balance that it can be concluded that the impacts of operational phase on trees and woodlands are likely to be negligible.	Agreed
DCC.ARB.13	Assessment the effects from the project	The impact assessment contained within the Tree survey and arboriculture impact assessment (APP-160-167) accurately characterises the potential decommissioning effects on arboriculture.	The effects at the decommissioning stage are likely to be minimal, as the buried onshore cable will be left in situ and capped off at the ends. Access for plant and materials near trees may be required in the decommissioning of the substation, but provided that suitable tree protection is put in place prior to the commencement of the decommissioning works, the impacts should be negligible. Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.8.1).	Agreed
DCC.ARB.14	Mitigation	The mitigation, including trenchless crossings and the Root Protection Areas (RPAs) identified on the Tree Survey Plan and Tree Protection Plan are adequate and will ensure trees are sufficiently protected.	The main principle followed for the tree protection is that of exclusion with physical barriers erected so as to protect the RPA/canopy extent. This principle is reasonable and follows best practice as set out in BS5837: 2012.	Agreed



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
Other Docun	nents and Plans			
DCC.ARB.15	Outline Landscape and Ecology Management Plan [APP-208]	The Outline Landscape and Ecology Management Plan (LEMP) (APP-208) is secured through the dDCO (PDA-003) and is appropriate with regard to proposed mitigation measures and monitoring.	Mitigation proposals involve the extensive planting of trees and woodlands. However, in the absence of a full assessment of the impacts of the development, it is not possible to determine whether adequate ratios of losses to mitigation have been achieved; this will need to be set out in the final LEMP.	Agreed
			Comparison of the trees (56 in number) and woodland areas (partial removal of W2) to be removed based on the full survey information, mainly around the proposed substation and associated access compounds, and the proposed tree and woodland planting set out in the OLEMP (REP2-034) shows the quantum of mitigation to be acceptable. The additional proposal in the Tree Survey Clarification Note for the removal of diseased ash trees in W2 and the natural regeneration and boosted planting where required of the woodland are acceptable.	
DCC.ARB.16	Outline Arboriculture Method Statement [APP-230]	The Outline Arboriculture Method Statement (APP-230) is secured through the dDCO (PDA- 003) and is appropriate with regard to proposed mitigation measures and monitoring. The Outline Arboriculture Method Statement (APP-230) has been updated and was submitted at Deadline 2.	In the LIR, the Councils made reference to additional points to be included in the outline AMS. The Councils await an update on any amendments to the outline AMS as stated, to be confident that the DCO requirements will secure adequate specific detail. The Outline AMS should secure as a minimum the points in I-VI as per the Councils original comment in the LIR.	Agreed
			The revised Outline AMS (REP2-073) sets out at Section 1.4 the items that will be provided in the Final AMS, which include the 6 items identified in the LIR.	



1.4.11 **Cumulative Effects Assessment**

Table 1.14: Agreement Log between the parties on Cumulative Effects Assessment (CEA).

Reference	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
Number EIA				
DCC.CEA.1	Consultation	The Applicant has undertaken adequate consultation with DCC on the longlist of cumulative developments to be included within the CEA.	DCC submitted a list of projects to be added to the CEA in its S42 response in June 2023. DCC confirms that these projects have been added to the CEA provided with the DCO application. Source: Local Impact Report (REP1-049) (section 3.10).	Agreed
DCC.CEA.2	Study area	The study area for the CEA is appropriate in terms of the potential for developments within the study area to give rise to potential cumulative effects.	Please see comments under transport section regarding study area, reference DCC.TT.12	Ongoing point of discussion
DCC.CEA.3	Assessment methodology	The methodology used within the CEA is appropriate for assessing the potential impacts of Mona Offshore Wind Project.	As per REP1-049.135, the Councils consider further clarification is required as to why projects scoped out due to lack of data have not been assessed qualitatively. The Councils further require clarification on the reasoning and approach of concluding 'potentially' significant effects as non-significant.	Ongoing point of discussion
DCC.CEA.4	Assessment of the effects from the project cumulatively with other projects	The assessment of the effects from the project cumulatively with other projects is appropriate with respect of the topics listed in Tables $1.5 - 1.9$ above.	The Councils do not agree with the conclusions of the CEA in respect of landscape, and reserve position based on ongoing queries.	Ongoing point of discussion



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.CEA.5	Assessment of the effects from the project cumulatively with other projects	The significant adverse cumulative effects identified in respect of the Mona Offshore Wind Farm are in relation to Human Health (APP-078) and Historic Environment (APP-068) only.	The Councils query the Applicant position, given that the Planning Statement and the response to the LIR appear to suggest there are no significant adverse cumulative effects, once other factors (not secured by the DCO) are taken into account. This reflects the points made by the Councils in the LIR on the confusing approach to concluding and reporting the cumulative effects. The Councils further consider that there are potentially significant cumulative landscape and visual effects, please see DCC.LVI.14.	Ongoing point of discussion
			The Councils also note that an updated assessment is required to take account of progress in scoped-in projects since DCO submission and await the outcome of this before concluding any position on effects.	
DCC.CEA.6	Mitigation	The mitigation measures in respect of significant adverse cumulative effects on Human Health (APP-078) and Historic Environment (APP-068) receptors are secured through the dDCO (PDA- 003) and are appropriate.	As above, the 'mitigation' measures which the Applicant appears to be reporting as reducing effects to non-significant are not factors that are secured in the DCO. For example the potentially significant heritage effect is concluded to be non- significant as the effect is attributed to Awel Y Mor Wind Farm. That does not constitute a mitigation measure secured via the DCO. Furthermore, the Councils have requested that the Applicant make greater commitment to consideration and management of cumulative effects post-consent, via methods suggested in the LIR. The Councils consider such further commitment secured in the DCO is required.	Ongoing point of discussion



1.4.12 **Draft Development Consent Order**

Table 1.15: Agreement Log between the parties on Draft Development Consent Order (DCO).

Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.DCO.1	Part 1, Article 2 Interpretation	The description of "onshore site preparation works" in the draft DCO is a complete description of the necessary pre-construction works which will be required to construct the Mona Offshore Wind Farm Project and contains activities which are appropriately controlled by the Outline Code of Construction Practice (APP-212) and accompanying Method Statements.	The Councils seek clarification as to whether 'creation of site accesses' only requires discharge/approval under Requirement 10 if a permanent access. If so, the Councils require this to include temporary accesses.	Ongoing point of discussion
DCC.DCO.2	Schedule 2, Requirement 4 'Stages of authorised project'	Requirement 4 of the draft DCO (PDA-003) provides a mechanisms for the construction of the Project to be staged according to the Work Nos. as described within Schedule 1 of the draft DCO. The Applicant has agreed to provide a spatial plan as part of the requirement submission.	The Councils agree with Requirement 4. The Councils consider a spatial plan, and a list of requirements scoped in to each stage, would be helpful, however recognise that this can be discussed at point of discharge of Requirement 4.	Agreed
DCC.DCO.3	Schedule 2, Requirement 6 'Detailed design parameters onshore'	Requirement 6 appropriately controls the construction parameters of the Project and aligns with the parameters assessed in the EIA.	Requirement 6 is agreed	Agreed
DCC.DCO.4	Schedule 2, Requirement 7 'Provision of landscaping'	Requirement 7 secures the required detail of landscape design, implementation and management to be provided and approved prior to the commencement of Work No. 22 in order to achieve the mitigation set out in the Mitigation and Monitoring Schedule (APP-196) and to achieve the aims of the outline Landscape and Ecology Management Plan (APP-208).	The Councils have identified further detail they would like included in the requirement and/or the LEMP and Design Principles. The Councils also require that the LEMP is amended to include for the appropriate mitigation/monitoring period of at least 30 years or operational lifetime.	Ongoing point of discussion
			The Applicant has shared an updated outline LEMP and the Councils are reviewing this to provide an update following Deadline 5.	



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.DCO.5	Schedule 2, Requirement 8 'Implementation and maintenance of landscaping'	Requirement 8 provides an appropriate mechanism for the landscaping required under Requirement 7 to be secured and maintained for an appropriate period.	The Councils disagree with this point, and consider the LEMP / DCO must secure the appropriate mitigation/monitoring period of at least 30 years or operational lifetime. The Applicant has shared an updated outline LEMP and the Councils are reviewing this to provide an update following Deadline 5.	Ongoing point of discussion
DCC.DCO.6	Schedule 2, Requirement 10 'Highway accesses'	Requirement 10 secures a sufficient level of detail to be approved by discharge of the Requirement in respect of permanent means of access to a highway.	See DCC.DCO.1 – the Councils consider this Requirement should apply to temporary and permanent accesses and should require the maintenance of the access in perpetuity.	Ongoing point of discussion
DCC.DCO.7	Schedule 2, Requirement 12 'Landscape and ecology management plan'	The Outline Landscape and Ecology Management Plan (LEMP) (APP-208) is secured through the dDCO (PDA-003) and is appropriate with regard to proposed mitigation measures, monitoring and long-term management.	The Councils disagree with this point, and consider the LEMP / DCO must secure the appropriate mitigation/monitoring period of at least 30 years or operational lifetime. The Applicant has shared an updated outline LEMP and the Councils are reviewing this to provide an update following Deadline 5.	Ongoing point of discussion
DCC.DCO.8	Schedule 2, Requirement 14 'Construction hours'	Requirement 14 secures sufficient controls to ensure that the construction hours of the Project are appropriate and do not give rise to unacceptable impact.	The Councils do not accept the position of the Applicant and continue to request that working hours are amended as per the request made at statutory consultation and in the LIR. It is requested that the hours in paragraph (1) be modified to 0800 to 1800 from Monday to Friday, from 0800 to 1300 on Saturday and with no activity on Sunday or bank holidays. The Councils recognise that the Awel Y Mor Offshore Wind DCO scheme was consented with the working hours proposed by the Applicant, however there is significant concern regarding the potential cumulative impacts of more than one DCO scheme within the same locality working to hours that exceed those usually applied through the Councils standard planning conditions.	Not agreed



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.DCO.9	Schedule 2, Requirement 15 'Restoration of land used temporarily for construction'	Requirement 15 secures sufficient control to ensure the restoration of any land used temporarily for construction.	The Applicant has shared a proposed revised wording of Requirement 15 and some explanatory text which satisfactorily resolves previous concerns raised. The Councils are satisfied that the Requirement secures the restoration of land and the approvals process for any instances where any restoration would differ from its original state at the request of a landowner.	Agreed
DCC.DCO.10	Schedule 2, Requirement 16 'Control of operational artificial light emissions'	Requirement 16 secures sufficient details to be submitted in a written scheme for the management and mitigation of internal and external artificial light emissions from Work No. 22a.	On the basis that the operational lighting is limited to the substation only (Work No 22a) the Councils agree to Requirement 16. The Councils understand that no operational lighting is proposed beyond that for Work No. 22a and would not be permissible under the DCO.	Agreed



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.DCO.11	Schedule 12 'Approval of matters specified in requirements' Part 4 'Further information'	Schedule 12 secures an appropriate mechanism to allow the discharging authority to require further information in respect of the information submitted in discharge of requirements of the draft DCO (PDA-003). Schedule 12 of the draft Development Consent Order was updated at Deadline 4 (REP4-005) to increase the time given to discharge a requirement to 40 working days (8 weeks) and the time to request additional information to 15 days.	The Councils recognise and appreciate the amendment made by the Applicant to extend the approval period. The Councils are in agreement with an additional information period of 15 days, however the Councils request that a 13 week approval period is provided in the draft DCO, as per the approved Awel Y Mor DCO. The Councils would however be willing to commit via the SoCG that they would seek to discharge requirements more quickly than 13 weeks whenever possible and that this will be enabled through productive engagement e.g. though the scoping/stage plan and pre-application stages. The Councils highlight more broadly a concern regarding the potential burden of work presented through the discharge of requirements process, particularly given the timescales proposed and the level of specialist advice likely to be required to review and determine technical detailed design. The Councils would welcome a discussion with the Applicant regarding potential mechanisms to support the Councils in managing the discharge of requirements, for example through the use of planning performance agreements (PPA) or similar.	
DCC.DCO.12	Streetworks Part 3, Article 10 Temporary stopping up of public rights of way, Part 3, Article 13	The streetworks powers contained within the draft DCO (PDA-003) are appropriate to allow the undertaker to construct the Project as set out under Schedule 1 of the draft DCO.	The Councils are agreed with this article.	Agreed.
DCC.DCO.13	Schedule 2 Requirement 7 'Control of noise during the operational stage'	Requirement 17 secures sufficient control to ensure that the operational noise level associated with the operation of Work No. 22A does not exceed an acceptable level at the nearest noise sensitive receptor (Tan y Bryn Uchaf).	The Council is agreed with the Requirement.	Agreed.



Reference Number	Discussion point	Applicant's Position	DCC's Position	Status
DCC.DCO.12	Schedule 2 Requirement 19 'Skills and Employment Plan'	Requirement 19 provides an appropriate mechanism for discharge of the skills and employment plan.	The Councils agree to the proposed wording of Requirement 19, with DCC as discharge authority.	Agreed