

By e-mail only

National Infrastructure Planning, The Planning Inspectorate, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol BS1 6PN

21 July 2022

Dear Sir/Madam,

PINS reference: EN010079

The Norfolk Vanguard Offshore Wind Farm Order 2022

Application for a Non-material Change (removal of maximum export capacity and reduction in turbine numbers)

The RSPB has considered the information submitted by Norfolk Vanguard Limited and Norfolk Vanguard East Limited (the Applicant) in respect of its implications for the features of the Flamborough and Filey Coast Special Protection Area (SPA) and the Alde-Ore Estuary SPA. This is with regard to the predicted changes in collision risk mortality to those SPA's seabirds.

Following this review, the RSPB is content with the Applicant's proposed changes, noting and welcoming the slight reduction in predicted mortality. However, we wish to record that this does not change the RSPB's overall position with regard to the adverse effects on integrity of the projects on the two SPAs referred to above at the end of both the examination and the various post-examination consultations.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Dodd Head of Casework

cc Norfolk Vanguard projects

RSPB Headquarters RSPB The Lodge Potton Road Sandy SG19 2DL Tel: 01767 680 551 Facebook: @TheRSPB Twitter: @TheRSPB Instagram:@RSPB Web: rspb.org.uk



The RSPB is part of Birdlife International, a Partnership of conservation organisations working to give nature a home around the world.