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Dear Sir/Madam

Interested Party Reference number: 20045195

Thank you for your letter dated 16 December 2024, inviting comments from interested parties regarding the Rampion 2 Offshore Wind Farm project.

Selsey Town Council would like to reiterate its objections to this development, based on the following concerns:

Necessity of the Project

We believe that this development is unnecessary, given the availability of alternative locations with higher wind energy potential.

Unsuitable Location

The proposed location in the English Channel experiences relatively lighter wind conditions compared to areas such as the North Sea, where offshore wind farms would be more effective and efficient.

Environmental Impact

The installation of wind turbines in this area risks significant environmental damage, particularly to marine life. This could have lasting detrimental effects on the delicate ecosystems in the region.

Impact on Local Fishing Community

Selsey's small but active fishing community may face disruptions to their livelihoods due to the development. Protecting this traditional industry is crucial for our local economy and heritage.

Noise and Visual Intrusion

Selsey's unique position at the end of the Manhood Peninsula, extending eight miles into the English Channel, means that turbines located on the western edge of the proposed site may be more audible and visible from Selsey than from other coastal communities. This raises concerns about noise pollution and the visual impact on our residents, visitors and tourism economy.

We hope these points will be taken into consideration during the decision-making process. Selsey Town Council remains committed to representing the views of its community and ensuring that our local environment and industries are protected.

Thank you for your attention to these concerns.

Yours faithfully

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