



To:
The Ministry of Defence,
All Interested Parties

Our Ref: EN010125

5 February 2026

Dear Sir or Madam,

Planning Act 2008 and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010

Application by RWE Renewables UK Dogger Bank South (West) Ltd and RWE Renewables UK Dogger Bank South (East) Ltd (“the Applicants”) for an Order granting Development Consent for the proposed Dogger Bank South Offshore Wind Farms (“the Proposed Development”)

1. Following the completion of the Examination on 11 July 2025, the Examining Authority (“ExA”) submitted a Report and Recommendation in respect of its findings and conclusions on the above application to the Secretary of State on 10 October 2025. On 7 January 2026 the Secretary of State extended the statutory deadline for determining the application from 10 January 2026 to 30 April 2026.
2. Following information requests issued on 6 November 2025 and 16 January 2026, the Secretary of State received responses from various parties.

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

3. The **Ministry of Defence** is requested to provide an update regarding the timings for the delivery of Programme NJORD.

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES – INVITATION TO COMMENT

4. The Secretary of State invites all Interested Parties to comment on the post examination documents, which have been published on the Dogger Bank South Offshore Wind Farms Project Page of the National Infrastructure Planning website:
5. <https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010125/documents?stage-decision=Post-examination%20submissions&stage-decision=Secretary%20of%20State%20Consultation%201&stage-decision=Secretary%20of%20State%20Consultation%202&itemsPerPage=25>

DEADLINE FOR RESPONSE

6. The deadline for response for the **Ministry of Defence** to the request for information is **23:59 on 19 February 2026**.
7. The deadline for response for all Interested Parties' comments is **23:59 on 7 March 2026**.
8. Responses should be submitted **by email only** to DoggerBankSouth@planninginspectorate.gov.uk.
9. Responses will be published on the Dogger Bank South Offshore Wind Farms project page of the National Infrastructure Planning website **as soon as possible after 7 March 2025**:
<https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010125>
10. This letter is without prejudice to the Secretary of State's consideration of whether to grant or withhold development consent for the Proposed Development or any part of the project.
11. Nothing in this letter is to be taken to imply what the eventual decision might be or what final conclusions the Secretary of State may reach on any particular issue which is relevant to the determination of the application.

Yours faithfully,

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