

National Infrastructure Planning
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Your Ref EN010028

Our Ref IPP-171

IP No 20053937

Friday 8 August 2025

Dear Sir/Madam,

Proposal: Application by Morgan Offshore Wind Limited and Morecambe Offshore Windfarm Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms Transmission Assets ("the Application")

Canal & River Trust (the Trust) Submission for Deadline Four, (Unique Reference: 20053937).

We write further to the publication of the Deadline Three (DL3) submissions. We wish to provide the ExA with an update on the Trust's latest position in relation to the examination, with headings to identify the various elements in relation to Deadline Four (DL4), including update on the proposed Protective Provisions for the benefit of the Trust, and on progress made on negotiating an agreement in terms of the rights over Trust leased land. We also provide comments on Deadline 3 matters relevant to the Trust.

Protective Provisions for the Trust

Since DL3 further good progress has been made on the protective provisions for the Trust and the applicants and the Trust have now agreed the wording of the protective provisions. It is understood that the applicants have prepared a new tracker to provide updates on these matters. The Trust have agreed a joint statement for this tracker, namely that the protective provisions for the Trust were agreed on 29 July 2025 and that these will be incorporated at Part 12 of Schedule 10 of the draft DCO.

Rights over Trust leased land

The Trust's agents in relation to the land negotiations for rights over our leased land, Carter Jonas, are currently in discussion with Dalcour McClaren in relation to the draft Heads of Terms (HoT). We will update the ExA further as negotiations progress. The Trust expects agreement can be reached before the end of the examination, provided there is sufficient engagement on the HoTs from the applicant.

Trusts' response to Deadline Three matters

The Trust has no comments to make on the applicants' other DL3 Submissions.

The Trust will update the ExA on the progress made in relation to land negotiations and other matters at each relevant deadline.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any queries you may have.

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Yours sincerely,

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