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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

Action points arising from issue specific hearing 4 (ISH4)

Dates: 7 and 8 October 2025

No	Party	Action	Deadline
Agenda item 1 – Introductions, arrangements and purpose of the hearing			
1.	Fylde Borough Council (FBC)	Provide the full statement, as read out during the hearing, as to where FBC suggest the Environmental Statement is not complete and where the mitigation hierarchy has not been followed. Including where FBC has already made these points in written representations, including detail on specific areas where the ES is claimed to be insufficient.	As soon as possible to enable the applicants to respond by deadline 6
Agenda item 3 – Noise			
2.	Fylde Borough Council	Confirm that the statement of common ground submitted on 6 October includes confirmation that the updates to the NVMP at D5 address the Council's concerns around noise sensitive receptors. Further to this, FBC is to confirm wording of CoT79 is satisfactory.	Deadline 6
3.	Applicants	Review the wording of CoT80 in the Commitments Register in light of the revisions to Requirement 18.	Deadline 6
Agenda item 4 – Landscape and visual matters			
4.	Applicants	Review the duration of replacement landscape planting in light of FBC's request for a rolling 10 year period.	Deadline 6
5.	Fylde Borough Council	Confirm the determination status of the Bluefield Solar project close to the Morecambe substation site.	Prior to deadline 6
Agenda item 5 – Transportation and traffic			
6.	Applicants	Set out the rationale for the construction access strategy (including the number of accesses and how those can / will be shared) and the outline construction traffic	Deadline 6



		management plan measures proposed for shared accesses.	
Agenda item 7 – Onshore ecology/ biodiversity			
7.	Applicants	Provide a plan displaying the project order limits overlayed on the new Natural England peat plan.	Deadline 6
8.	Applicants	Update the Soil Management Plan to provide a peat mitigation hierarchy.	Deadline 6
9.	Applicants and Fylde Borough Council	Engage and provide an updated position and/or updated documentation regarding the sand lizard mitigation.	Deadline 6
10.	Applicants	Review and update where necessary the oWHMP, oLMP, oEMP, oBBP, oCoCP and ODMP to ensure they align effectively as they relate to the commitments within the outline wildlife hazard management plan.	Deadline 6
Agenda item 6 – Socio-economic and land use			
11.	Applicants	Provide the applicants' position on compliance with Paragraphs 5.13.2 to 5.13.6 of National Policy Statement (NPS) EN-1.	Deadline 6
12.	Applicants	Revise Requirement 19 to refer to Fylde Borough Council as discharging authority.	Deadline 6
13.	Applicants, Fylde Borough Council and Blackpool Borough Council	FBC and BBC to provide additional comments on the local tourism assessment (REP5-142) so applicants can make any necessary amends for Deadline 6.	As soon as possible prior to deadline 6 to ensure the applicants can respond to this for deadline 6
Agenda item 8 – Aviation			
14.	Applicants	Review and update, if necessary, the outline wildlife hazard management plan regarding paragraphs 1.1.4.5 and 1.1.4.8 on the decision making and trigger level process and durations for responding to exceedance to make clear this will be agreed in consultation with stakeholders.	Deadline 6
15.	BAE and the applicants	Ensure the SoCG addresses NPS policy compliance and specify the level of impact BAE consider would	Deadline 6



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		result if BAE consider there is an 'unacceptable impact' in policy terms.	
Agenda item 9 – draft Development Consent Order			
16.	Applicants	Review the reference to 'undertaker' at article 6(9) and 6(10).	Deadline 6
17.	Lancashire County Council and Blackpool Borough Council	Confirm if the councils have any outstanding comments on article 10.	Prior to deadline 6 to ensure the applicants can respond to this for deadline 6
18.	Applicants	Review the drafting of article 12(2) and (4) concerning the mechanisms for achieving the 'reasonable satisfaction of the local planning authority'. Inform BBC and FBC of any updates.	Deadline 6
19.	Applicants	Review and update where necessary the drafting of article 14 to ensure there are appropriate links to Requirement 10.	Deadline 6
20.	Applicants	Review whether the applicants can increase the timescales for notice in respect of temporary possession in article 29.	Deadline 6
21.	Applicants	Review article 30(12) to ensure the maintenance period aligns with the maintenance timescales for ecology and landscape mitigation.	Deadline 6
22.	Applicants	Update paragraph 1.5.1.1 of the Arboricultural Method Statement to identify the trees that will be protected and retained.	Deadline 6
23.	Fylde Borough Council	Provide comments on the outline Arboricultural Method Statement and any proposed alternative drafting for articles 35 and 36 to the applicants.	As soon as possible prior to deadline 6 to ensure the applicants can respond to this for deadline 6
24.	Applicants	Review the drafting of articles 35 and 36 in respect of how they link to Requirement 6 and share any	Prior to deadline 6 to enable Fylde



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		updated drafting with Fylde Borough Council.	Borough Council to respond by deadline 6
25.	Applicants	Review and confirm if any updates are required to article 47(1) in respect of comments made by Newton with Clifton and Freckleton Parish Council and the Examining Authority (ExA).	Deadline 6
26.	Fylde Borough Council	Provide details to the applicants of their justification for a request of 5 years for implementation, not 7 years, in respect of specific impacts, such as health.	As soon as possible prior to the next scheduled meeting with the applicants on 15 October
27.	BAE, DIO (a and b) and the Applicants (a only)	a) BAE, DIO and the Applicants to discuss drafting relating to aviation lighting and whether this is secured through Requirement 4 or a separate requirement, and b) in the event, drafting is not agreed, any alternative drafting must be submitted into the Examination.	a) The parties next meeting prior to deadline 6 b) In advance of the parties' next meeting
28.	Applicants	Consider adding 'external appearance' to Requirement 4(e).	Deadline 6
29.	Applicants	Update Figure 15 the Outline Design Principles to add spot heights along the Freckleton Bridleway (Public Right of Way) to provide a reference point in relation to the onshore substation Above Ordnance Datum heights as secured in Requirement 5.	Deadline 6
30.	Fylde Borough Council	Provide alternative drafting concerning Requirement 6.	As soon as possible to ensure the applicants can respond to this for deadline 6
31.	Applicants	Review and update, where necessary, the wording of the outline Landscape Management Plan to ensure this takes account of any trees retained as part of the Arboricultural Method Statement.	As soon as possible prior to deadline 6 to ensure the applicants can respond to this for deadline 6



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32.	Lancashire County Council, Blackpool Borough Council (and the applicants)	Confirm satisfaction with the wording of Requirement 10 and engage with the applicants on this prior to Deadline 6 where necessary.	Deadline 6
33.	Fylde Borough Council and any other Councils	Provide to the Examining Authority any alternative drafting in relation to construction working hours (Requirement 14).	Deadline 6
34.	Applicants	Consider whether any update is required to the outline Construction Traffic Management Plan in relation to timescales for restoration of highway land.	Deadline 6
35.	Applicants and Fylde Borough Council	Engage with Fylde Borough Council on Requirement 16 and provide an update on these discussions to the ExA.	Deadline 6
36.	All Councils	Provide any comments to the applicants on Requirement 25 and the updates to the CoCP and other management plans regarding the Construction Coordination Working Group.	As soon as possible prior to deadline 6 to ensure the applicants can respond to this for deadline 6
37.	Applicants	Provide the proposed updated drafting of Requirement 26 (Biodiversity Benefit) and corresponding updates to articles 20 and 22 to the ExA.	As soon as practicable
38.	All Councils	Provide comments to the applicants on the proposed updated Requirement 26 drafting to the applicants.	As soon as possible prior to deadline 6 to ensure the applicants can respond to this for deadline 6
39.	Applicants, BAE, DIO and MoD	(a) Applicants, BAE and DIO/MoD to discuss BAE and DIO/MoD proposed amendments to Requirement 27 (regarding the wildlife hazard management plan). (b) If changes to the current drafting of R.27 are agreed, the applicants must share and agree those with Blackpool Airport.	Deadline 6



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		(c) The applicants will share any updates to drafting with Fylde Borough Council.	
40.	Applicants (a and b) and FBC (a only)	a) Applicants and FBC to discuss and agree the proposed drafting for Requirement 28 - the s106 Grampian condition and submit into Examination as soon as possible. b) Applicants to submit a note setting out how the drafting meets the relevant tests and planning practice guidance on Grampian conditions into Examination at Deadline 6.	a) Prior to deadline 6 b) Deadline 6
41.	Fylde Borough Council	Provide to the applicants specific drafting it requires for the fees paragraphs in Schedule 12.	In advance of Deadline 6
42.	Applicants and Fylde Borough Council	Engage regarding the fees paragraphs in Schedule 12 and seek to agree the drafting.	In advance of Deadline 6
Agenda item 11 – Control and management documents			
43.	Newton with Clifton and Freckleton Parish Council	Provide the comments made during the hearing in writing with regards to the outline communications plan for the applicants to consider.	ASAP and in advance of deadline 6 to enable the applicants to update the outline communications plan prior to deadline 6 [completed on 08/10/25]
44.	Fylde Borough Council	Provide any further comments on outstanding documents to the applicants.	ASAP and in advance of deadline 6 to enable the applicants to update any documents where required prior to deadline 6
45.	Applicants	Consider and explain the application and interaction of Green Belt status within the CNP Infrastructure policy framework.	Deadline 6

