

The Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero,  
c/o The Planning Inspectorate  
By email only: easterngreenlink5@planninginspectorate.gov.uk  
Your reference: EN0210010

Wednesday 27 May 2026

## Eastern Green Link 5 (EGL 5)

### Notification pursuant to Section 46 of the Planning Act 2008

National Grid Electricity Transmission plc (the **Applicant**) writes in connection with the Eastern Green Link 5 (EGL 5) project (the **Project**). The English marine and onshore elements of EGL 5 (the **Proposed Development**) form the basis of this application for development consent.

In accordance with Section 46 of the Planning Act 2008 (**PA 2008**), the Applicant is providing formal notification of its intention to make an application to the Secretary of State for a Development Consent Order for the Proposed Development. Detailed below is the required information as will be supplied to consultees in compliance with Section 42 of the PA 2008.

On 14 May 2025, the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero issued a direction pursuant to Section 35 of the PA 2008 that confirmed the Project should be treated as a development for which development consent is required.

### The EGL 5 Project

EGL 5 is a proposed primarily marine 2 Gigawatt (GW) High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) electricity link, with associated onshore infrastructure, linking Peterhead, Aberdeenshire (connecting into Netherton Hub) and Anderby Creek, Lincolnshire (connecting into LCS-B substation).

The Project will comprise permanent and temporary infrastructure including, but not limited to, the following elements:

- a converter station in the East Lindsey area and in the vicinity of the proposed 400 kV Lincolnshire connection substation B (LCS-B) which forms part of the Applicant's Grimsby to Walpole Project
- subsea High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) cables. In English waters, EGL 5's cables would be approximately 423 km long
- a transition joint bay to connect the subsea and onshore underground HVDC cables, located onshore near to our proposed cable landfall at Anderby Creek on the Lincolnshire coastline
- onshore underground HVDC cables running together for approximately 8 km from landfall at Anderby Creek to the EGL 5 converter station
- onshore underground High Voltage Alternating Current (HVAC) cables up to approximately 1 km that would connect the converter station into the proposed LCS-B.

Sufficient land would be required in order to construct and operate EGL 5 and to reduce the potential impacts of the Project, including:

- temporary land for construction activities including work areas for construction equipment and machinery, site offices, welfare, storage, access and drainage

- land required for mitigation, compensation and enhancement of the environment as a result of the environmental assessment process, and for the purposes of delivering biodiversity net gain (BNG), for example by landscaping and planting.

The Project will seek authorisation for the compulsory acquisition of land and interests in and rights over land, overriding easements and other rights, the temporary use of land, and other ancillary powers.

## **Consultation**

The consultation under Section 42 of the PA 2008 for the Proposed Development will open at 12pm noon on Friday 29 May 2026 and will close at 11:59pm on Friday 24 July 2026 (with postal feedback accepted until 31 July 2026).

The Applicant will commence consultation by issuing an email or letter (the Consultation Email/Letter) accompanied by instructions on how to access the consultation documents (the Consultation Documents) to consultees on or around 29 May 2026.

A notice pursuant to Section 48 'Duty to publicise' of the PA 2008 will be published nationally in The Guardian and the London Gazette on 29 May 2026, and locally in newspapers circulating in the vicinity of the Proposed Development as detailed in our Statement of Community Consultation.

The Consultation Documents that are to be made available on the Project website include:

- Stage 2 Consultation Document, which outlines the proposals for the Project and provides more information on the consultation;
- Location plans and general arrangement plans showing the extent of the Project;
- A feedback form, which provides a structured method for consultees to provide their feedback;
- the Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC), which sets out how the Applicant will consult local communities during statutory consultation;
- Consultation newsletter: a summary of the Project and consultation details;
- a copy of this notice published pursuant to Section 48 of the PA 2008 and Regulation 13 of the EIA Regulations; and
- the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) which details potential environmental effects of the Project, and its Non-Technical Summary.

The full suite of Consultation Documents, along with a copy of the relevant notices pursuant to section 47 and 48 of the PA 2008, can be found on the Project's website at [nationalgrid.com/egl5](https://nationalgrid.com/egl5) from 12pm noon on Friday 29 May 2026 and will be available until the end of the consultation period.

Printed copies of the Stage 2 consultation document, consultation newsletter, Stage 2 consultation feedback form, Non-Technical Summary of the PEIR and the Statement of Community Consultation will also be available to view free of charge for the duration of the consultation at local information points listed in our Statement of Community Consultation.

The Secretary of State can access our consultation documents on the Project's website stated above, but should an alternative format be required please let us know.

We look forward to receiving the Secretary of State's acknowledgement of the Applicant's notification of the Proposed Application pursuant to section 46 of the PA 2008. In the meantime, should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us at: [contactegl5@nationalgrid.com](mailto:contactegl5@nationalgrid.com).

Yours sincerely,

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