

Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets

Statutory consultation feedback form – Thursday 12 October to Thursday 23 November 2023

Project overview

The Morgan Offshore Wind Project and the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm are two new proposed offshore wind farms being developed in the Irish Sea.

The two projects are collaborating to connect the offshore wind farms to the national grid via the Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets project (referred to as “the Project”).

The Project will comprise both permanent and temporary infrastructure including, but not limited to:

- Offshore infrastructure including offshore export cables, offshore substation platform(s), interconnector cables and a Morgan offshore booster station.
- Landfall works (where the offshore cables reach the shore) between Mean Low Water Springs and the transition joint bays including the offshore and onshore cables, intertidal working area and landfall construction compound(s), and temporary and permanent access.
- Onshore infrastructure from the transition joint bays to the electricity transmission network connection. This includes onshore export cables to the two new substations, temporary construction compounds, temporary and permanent access, and onward connections to the existing National Grid substation at Penwortham, Lancashire.
- Areas for biodiversity net gain, enhancement and / or mitigation, including permanent access for operation and maintenance of those areas.

The two offshore wind farms are expected to make a key contribution to the UK’s target of generating 50 gigawatts (GW) of power from offshore wind by 2030. Combined they have the potential to generate almost 2GW of energy – enough to power the equivalent of around two million homes.

This feedback form is for use in connection with the statutory consultation on proposals for the Project.

Visit www.morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission to find out more about our proposals. We encourage you to complete this feedback form while referring to several other resources designed to help you understand the Project in more detail. These are available via our website, at consultation events and at a number of reference locations across the Project area.

The consultation

Our statutory consultation will be open from 12 October to 23 November 2023.

Your feedback will help us develop and refine our proposals. An application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) for the proposed Project will be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate and will be decided by the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, in accordance with the Planning Act 2008.

Once the consultation has closed, we will carefully consider all the feedback we receive as we continue to refine our proposals further. We will publish this feedback, and any other Project responses, in our Consultation Report which will be submitted as part of our DCO application.

How to respond

Please complete this feedback form and return it to us using our freepost address: **FREEPOST MORECAMBE AND MORGAN**. Simply fold and stick your response form with the freepost address on the front and put it in your local post box. There is no need to use a stamp.

As well as completing this feedback form, you can also submit feedback using the following methods:



Online:

Complete this feedback form online by visiting www.morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission or leave a comment on our online consultation feedback map. The mapping tool allows you to leave comments at specific geographical locations.



Email: Send your response to info@morecambeandmorgan.com



Send a copy of this feedback form to **FREEPOST MORECAMBE AND MORGAN**, or write to us with your feedback at this address.

Should you have any questions or require more information, please visit our website

www.morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission or call the project team on **0800 915 2493 (option 3)**

Accessibility

Should you require any of our materials in a more accessible format, please contact us on info@morecambeandmorgan.com or **0800 915 2493 (option 3)**.

1.1 Physical Processes
(see volume 2, chapter 1 of our PEIR).

1.2 Benthic subtidal and intertidal ecology
(see volume 2, chapter 2 of our PEIR).

1.3 Fish and shellfish ecology
(see volume 2, chapter 3 of our PEIR).

1.4 Marine mammals
(see volume 2, chapter 4 of our PEIR).

1.5 Offshore ornithology
(see volume 2, chapter 5 of our PEIR).

1.6 Commercial fisheries
(see volume 2, chapter 6 of our PEIR).

1.7 Shipping and navigation
(see volume 2, chapter 7 of our PEIR).

1.8 Marine archaeology
(see volume 2, chapter 8 of our PEIR).

1.9 Other sea users
(see volume 2, chapter 9 of our PEIR).

3.1 Geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions
(see volume 3, chapter 1 of our PEIR).

3.2 Hydrology and flood risk
(see volume 3, chapter 2 of our PEIR).

3.3 Onshore ecology and nature conservation
(see volume 3, chapter 3 of our PEIR).

3.4 Onshore and intertidal ornithology
(see volume 3, chapter 4 of our PEIR).

3.5 Historic environment
(see volume 3, chapter 5 of our PEIR).

3.6 Land use and recreation
(see volume 3, chapter 6 of our PEIR).

3.7 Traffic and transport
(see volume 3, chapter 7 of our PEIR).

3.8 Noise and vibration
(see volume 3, chapter 8 of our PEIR).

3.9 Air quality
(see volume 3, chapter 9 of our PEIR).

Q4

Do you have any other comments or feedback on the Project to date generally, including the specific topics listed below (see numbered topics 4.1 to 4.5 below)?

These topics are set out in detail in our Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) and more succinctly summarised in our PEIR Non-Technical Summary (both available to read in full at www.morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission).

4.1 Seascape, landscape and visual resources (see volume 4, chapter 1 of our PEIR).

4.2 Aviation and radar (see volume 4, chapter 2 of our PEIR).

4.3 Climate change (see volume 4, chapter 3 of our PEIR).

4.4 Socio-economics (see volume 4, chapter 4 of our PEIR).

4.5 Inter relationships (see volume 4, chapter 5 of our PEIR).

Q5

Do you have any comments / feedback about the location of the Project landfall area? This is the area where the offshore export cables come onshore, and the transitional area between the offshore cabling and the onshore cabling, including transition joint bays.

See volume 1 of our PEIR, chapter 4: Site Selection and Consideration of Alternatives.

Q6

Do you have any comments / feedback about the location of the proposed temporary compound areas and temporary and permanent access areas for the onshore and intertidal elements of the Project?

See volume 1 of our PEIR, chapter 4: Site Selection and Consideration of Alternatives.

Q7

Do you have any comments / feedback about the location of the proposed Freckleton / Hall Cross onshore export cable corridor search area for the Project?

See volume 1 of our PEIR, chapter 4: Site Selection and Consideration of Alternatives.

Q8

Do you have any comments / feedback about the proposed onshore substations statutory consultation area for the Project?

See volume 1 of our PEIR, chapter 4: Site Selection and Consideration of Alternatives.

Q9

Do you have any comments / feedback regarding the preferred onshore substation site for the Morgan Offshore Wind Project?

See volume 1 of our PEIR, chapter 4: Site Selection and Consideration of Alternatives.

Q10

For our application the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm will be reducing to a single onshore substation site. Do you have any comments, feedback or preference regarding the two options presented for the Morecambe onshore substation site, and which one should be taken forward?

See volume 1 of our PEIR, chapter 4: Site Selection and Consideration of Alternatives.

Q11

Do you have any comments / feedback about the grid connection area for the Project?

See volume 1 of our PEIR, chapter 4: Site Selection and Consideration of Alternatives.

Q12

Do you have any comments / feedback on how we propose to minimise the potential onshore impacts and effects? This might include your comments on our Outline Code of Construction Practice and its appendices.

See volume 1 of our PEIR, chapter 3: Project Description.

Q13

Do you have any comments / feedback on the proposed Biodiversity Net Gain, enhancement and / or mitigation land areas for the Project?

See volume 1 of our PEIR, chapter 3: Project Description, and volume 3 of our PEIR, chapter 3: Onshore Ecology and Nature Conservation.

Q16

Do you have any other comments / feedback on the Project, including any other information provided as a part of this consultation?

Your privacy matters to us and we are transparent about how we use your data.

FAQs

Why are we collecting this data?

- We value your feedback to help us develop our proposals for the Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets
- To allow us to keep you up to date as the Project progresses
- To meet our statutory obligations under the Planning Act 2008 and any other relevant legislation.

Who are we sharing this information with?

- With our contractors and suppliers with whom we have contracts in place to support in the development of the Project. For example, Camargue, RPS, and Royal HaskoningDHV who act on behalf of the Project.
- With relevant government bodies, such as the Planning Inspectorate and the Department of Energy Security and Net Zero, to support the Project planning application process.

How long will we keep this information?

- We will keep the information for the time required to fulfil the purposes of the Project.

If you wish to update your information, find out more, or make any requests, please contact:

- Email: info@morecambeandmorgan.com
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Fold A

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