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1 Introduction

1.1 Overview of the SoCC

This Statement of Community Consultation ("SoCC") sets out our proposed approach to consultation for the **Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets** project (referred to as "the Project").

In October 2022, the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy issued a direction under section 35 of the Planning Act 2008 that the Project should be treated as a development for which development consent is required. As a result, this SoCC has been prepared in accordance with section 47 of the Planning Act 2008 ("the Act").

The Morgan Offshore Wind Project and the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm are two new proposed offshore wind farms being developed in the east Irish Sea. The two projects are collaborating to connect both wind farms to the national grid and combined will generate approximately 2 gigawatts (GW) of energy.

Morgan Offshore Wind Limited, a joint venture between bp and Energie Baden-Württemberg AG (EnBW), is developing the Morgan Offshore Wind Project.

Morecambe Offshore Windfarm Limited, a joint venture between Cobra and Flotation Energy Limited, is developing the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm.

We have publicised this SoCC through public notices in the Blackpool Gazette and the Lancashire Evening Post, serving people living in the vicinity of the land in which the Project will sit.

This SoCC explains the extent and nature of the community consultation being undertaken and covers:

- Purpose of community consultation
- A summary of the Project
- An overview of the planning process
- Information on why the Project is required
- Who will be consulted, where and when the consultation will take place
- How the consultation will be undertaken
- Where people can view consultation materials and find out more
- The importance of feedback and how people can provide their comments.

This SoCC has been developed in consultation with the relevant authorities where the Project will be located, and those that may interact with the Project, including:

- Fylde Council
- Preston City Council
- South Ribble Borough Council
- Blackpool Council
- Lancashire County Council
- West Lancashire Borough Council.

2. About the developers

Morgan Offshore Wind Limited, a joint venture between bp and Energie Baden-Württemberg AG (EnBW), is developing the Morgan Offshore Wind Project.

About bp

bp's purpose is to reimagine energy for people and our planet.

bp has set out an ambition to be a net zero company by 2050, or sooner, and help the world get to net zero.

Our strategy will see bp transform from an international oil company producing resources – to an integrated energy company providing solutions to customers.

bp already has a significant onshore wind business in the US with a gross generating capacity of 1.7GW, operating nine wind assets across the country as well as a 5.2GW net offshore pipeline.

About EnBW

Energie Baden-Württemberg AG (EnBW) is one of the largest energy supply companies in Germany and Europe, with a workforce of 27,000 employees supplying energy to around 5.5 million customers. Installed renewable energy capacity will account for 50 percent of EnBW's generating portfolio by the end of 2025.

EnBW was among the pioneers in offshore wind power with its Baltic 1 wind farm in the Baltic Sea. EnBW has developed, constructed and operates four offshore wind farms in Germany with a total installed capacity of 945MW.

Another 960MW from the offshore wind farm, He Dreiht, are currently under development, with the final investment decision in March 2023 clearing the way for the start of construction.

Morecambe Offshore Windfarm Limited, a joint venture between Cobra and Flotation Energy Limited, is developing the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm.

About Cobra

Cobra is a world leader in the development, construction and management of industrial infrastructure and energy projects, with more than 80 years of experience. Cobra is a worldwide reference with the capacity and determination to develop, create and operate industrial and energy infrastructures that require a high level of service, based on excellence in integration, technological innovation and financial strength.

About Flotation Energy

Flotation Energy is based in Edinburgh, Scotland, and has been a significant contributor to building a strong offshore wind industry in the UK and beyond. Flotation Energy has a growing project pipeline, managing 13GW of offshore wind projects in the UK, Ireland, Taiwan, Japan and Australia; and plans to expand into many more key markets. The expertise of the Flotation Energy team lies in the project and engineering management of large infrastructure projects. Flotation Energy has developed its own projects but also recognises the benefits of collaboration and partnership to deliver proven, cost-effective solutions.



3. A coordinated approach

The Morgan Offshore Wind Project and the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm were scoped into the Pathway to 2030 workstream of the UK Government Offshore Transmission Network Review (OTNR).

As part of the OTNR, National Grid assessed options to improve the coordination of offshore wind farm connections and associated transmission networks. In July 2022, the UK Government published the Pathway to 2030 Holistic Network Design Report which set out the results of the OTNR and its proposed approach to connecting 50GW of offshore wind to the UK national grid.

This concluded that the Morgan Offshore Wind Project and the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm should work collaboratively to connect the wind farms to the national grid at Penwortham in Lancashire. The developers (EnBW/bp and Cobra/Flotation Energy) were involved in this process and agree with this conclusion.

In October 2022, the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy issued a direction under section 35 of the Planning Act 2008 that the Project should be treated as a development for which development consent is required.

Therefore, both projects intend to submit a single application for development consent for the Project.

4. The proposed development

4.1 Overview of the Project

The Project will comprise of shared offshore and onshore export cable corridors, onshore substations, and associated temporary and permanent infrastructure.

The Project will connect directly to the national grid before being distributed to homes and businesses across the UK. It is expected to bring positive long-term environmental benefits by providing renewable energy to the equivalent of around two millon homes.

Together, the projects can help the UK to achieve its target of generating 50GW of power from offshore wind by 2030.

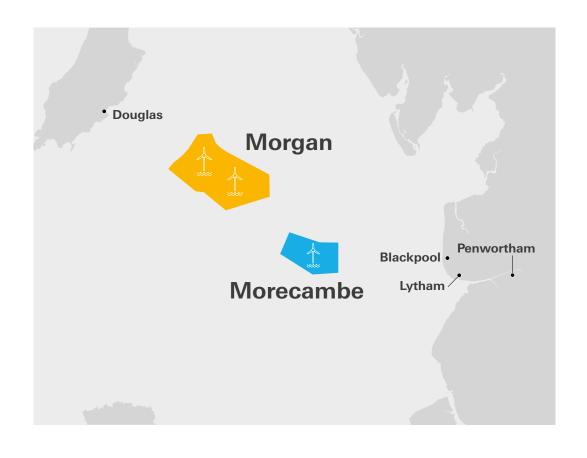
Generation and Transmission Assets explained:

This SoCC relates only to the Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets project ("the Project").

Separate SoCCs have been published for the Morgan Offshore Wind Project Generation Assets and the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm Generation Assets.

'Generation Assets' refers to the parts of the wind farms that generate the electricity. This includes the proposed offshore wind turbines, and associated infrastructure, such as the cabling that connects the turbines to the offshore export cables.

'Transmission Assets' refers to the elements that are responsible for connecting the 'Generation Assets' to the national grid, such as the offshore and onshore export cables and onshore substations.



4.2 What we are proposing to build

The Project includes a combination of onshore and offshore infrastructure.

The Project will comprise of the following elements:

Offshore infrastructure

Offshore infrastructure associated with the Project includes, but is not limited to, offshore export cables, offshore substation platform(s) and a Morgan offshore booster station.

Onshore infrastructure

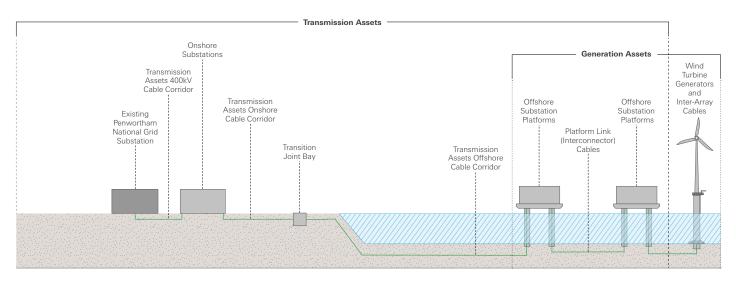
Our onshore infrastructure will take electricity from a landfall point (where the offshore cables reach the shore) to the electricity transmission network. To do this, we will need to install onshore export cables to two new substations, and onward connections to the existing National Grid substation at Penwortham, Lancashire.

Onshore export cable corridor

The onshore export cables will be placed within the shared onshore cable corridor. The route of the shared onshore cable corridor is proposed to come ashore at the landfall area located between Blackpool and Lytham St. Annes. The shared onshore cable corridor will continue to the two new proposed onshore substations before continuing on to the National Grid substation at Penwortham.

New substations

To connect to the national grid we will need to construct two new onshore substations, one per project. The new substations are needed to transform the power generated by the offshore wind farms for the national grid, which will enable connections to the to the existing National Grid substation at Penwortham.



This indicative diagram illustrates which part of the projects are classified as Generation Assets (Morecambe Offshore Windfarm and Morgan Offshore Wind Project) and which parts are classified as Transmission Assets (Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets).



5. The consenting process

5.1 The Development Consent Order ("DCO") process

In October 2022, the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy issued a direction under section 35 of the Planning Act 2008 that the Project should be treated as a development for which development consent is required.

Consent to construct, operate, maintain, and decommission would therefore be given in accordance with the Planning Act 2008.

The Morgan Offshore Wind Project Generation Assets and the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm Generation Assets are each considered to be Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects ("NSIPs") and will be the subject of separate applications for development consent.

Once this SoCC has been published, the Project will continue to progress through its development phase, starting with the delivery of this statutory consultation.

Our final application for development consent will include:

- A consultation report which will set out consultation undertaken for the Project including a summary of consultation responses received
- An Environmental Statement setting out an assessment of the impacts likely to give rise to significant environmental effects and the proposed mitigation
- A draft Development Consent Order.

The application for development consent will be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate and Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero. The Planning Inspectorate will then follow a number of steps to receive and review the application, seeking further comment from interested bodies and individuals.

If the application is accepted, a preexamination stage will begin, with opportunities for local community members to register as an interested party on the Planning Inspectorate's website and request to take part in the examination process.

The Planning Inspectorate will then examine the DCO application, with input from interested parties and statutory consultees.

Following the examination, the Planning Inspectorate will present its recommendation to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, who will then make the final decision on whether the DCO should be granted.

How the DCO application process works:

1

Consultation

The Project notifies and consults the public, statutory consultees and those with an interest in the affected land (in accordance with sections 42, 47 and 48 of the 2008 Act) on its proposed application, following earlier non-statutory consultation.

2

Submission

The Project will review the feedback received during the consultation and finalise the proposals. All the feedback we receive will be summarised in our Consultation Report. This report will form part of our DCO application, which will then be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate, who will appoint the Examining Authority for the application.

Acceptance

After the application is submitted, the Planning Inspectorate will decide whether it is suitable for examination.

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Pre-examination

If accepted for examination, there will be an opportunity for people to register their interest in the application with the Planning Inspectorate. Anyone registering an interest will be kept informed of the progress of the application, including when and how they can provide comments. Following a preliminary meeting the Examining Authority will confirm the timetable for the examination.

5

Examination

The examination is expected to last six months. Those who have registered their interest will be able to send their comments to the Examining Authority and request to speak at hearings.

6

Decision

Following the examination, the Examining Authority will make a recommendation on the application to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero. Ultimately, the decision as to whether or not to grant a DCO lies with the Secretary of State.

More information on the planning process can be found at: infrastructure. planninginspectorate. gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/04/Advice-note-8.0.pdf

5.2 What are EIA and PEIR?

Environmental Impact Assessment ("EIA")

The Project is required to produce an EIA as defined in the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment)
Regulations 2017, as amended, and The Marine Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2007.

The EIA process ensures that the potential likely significant effects to and from the Project are assessed, including the identification of mitigation, where necessary. The application for development consent will therefore be accompanied by an Environmental Statement containing the results of the EIA.

Our team has produced our EIA Scoping Report setting out the intended scope of the EIA. It can be viewed fully on the Planning Inspectorate website by scanning the QR code below.



Preliminary Environmental Information Report ("PEIR")

We are also required to produce a PEIR, which is comprised of a suite of documents relating to environmental considerations.

The PEIR will contain the early findings of the EIA process, regarding the likely significant environmental effects of the Project. It will include extensive details of how we have drawn our conclusions, such as survey methodologies and outcomes, and the feedback we have received as part of the ongoing consultation process.

It will also set out measures that could prevent, reduce or offset any environmental effects, identified as part of early assessments and consultation.

Consulting further on the PEIR itself gives consultees and stakeholders an opportunity to consider how we have used the information we have gathered and to provide further feedback. This is an important part of the consultation process, providing accountability, transparency and confidence.

The PEIR will be published in full on the consultation website at www.morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission.



6. Our work so far

We are committed to early engagement with communities and have demonstrated this by delivering two previous stages of non-statutory consultation ahead of this statutory consultation.

6.1 2022 non-statutory consultation

Our first non-statutory consultation took place between 2 November and 13 December 2022 and provided local people and stakeholders with the opportunity to give their feedback on the proposed development. At this consultation, the Project presented the Transmission Assets Scoping Boundary (onshore and offshore), which was represented in consultation materials alongside the anticipated array areas for the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm and Morgan Offshore Wind Project Generation Assets.

6.2 2023 non-statutory consultation

Our second non-statutory consultation on the Project took place between 19 April and 4 June 2023 and provided local people and stakeholders with the opportunity to give their feedback on our latest proposals. We presented information about:

- Four indicative onshore substation search areas – within which two new onshore substations will need to be constructed
- An indicative onshore export cable corridor/ grid connection area
- The National Grid connection point at Penwortham substation
- The indicative landfall and indicative onshore export cable corridor, and related temporary compound areas.

7. This statutory consultation

7.1 Overview

The statutory consultation for the Project is being carried out in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act 2008.

7.2 Who we are consulting

At the heart of every consultation are the people who live and work in the community. Consulting with people living near to the Project who may be affected by the proposed development is an important part of the DCO planning process.

The insight and local knowledge we receive through each stage of consultation means that the Project can best reflect the needs and expectations of those who live and work closest.

As this is a statutory consultation, we are required to consult with a number of prescribed representatives. We will also actively seek to engage with a range of different people and groups.

The groups defined in the Planning Act 2008 are as follows:

 Section 42: Prescribed bodies and statutory consultees

Prescribed bodies as listed in Schedule 1 of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (as amended).

Section 43: Local authorities

Local authorities, as defined under section 43, including those in whose area the proposals are sited, and adjoining local authorities.

Section 44: Land owners / those with an interest in the land

Those with an interest in, or a relevant claim to, the land to which the proposed application relates (such as ownership, tenancy and/or other interests).

As elements of the Transmission Assets are based at sea, under this section of the legislation we welcome comments from people and groups with an interest in the seabed.

Section 47: Duty to consult local community

In addition to the statutory requirements that have informed the preparation and publication of this SoCC, the Planning Act 2008 includes a duty to consult with the local community. As part of this, we will ensure the following additional groups are consulted:

Local communities – people with homes and businesses in the areas that may be impacted by the Project, including the communities and businesses which may expect to be economically impacted.

Elected representatives – Members of Parliament; parish/town councils; district/borough councillors; unitary authority councillors; county councillors.

Seldom heard groups – individuals and groups that may have difficulties taking part in the consultation process for a range of reasons.

Identified special interest groups – such as local wildlife, heritage, maritime and leisure groups. This gives local people an opportunity to provide further feedback on the proposed development and to influence it.

We will engage with these consultees directly and will be inviting them to comment on our proposals during the consultation.

We'll look carefully at all of the feedback we receive, and this will be considered to help finalise our proposals. This will be summarised in our Consultation Report, which will be an important part our application.

7.3 What we are consulting on

Our statutory consultation will begin following the publication of this SoCC.

Our approach to engagement and consultation is to seek general feedback on the proposals, including specific focuses on:

- Our Preliminary Environmental Information Report
- The location of the Transmission Assets
- How we can minimise the potential likely significant environmental effects to and from the Project.

7.4 When we are consulting

Our statutory consultation will run from 12 October to 23 November 2023. The minimum consultation period is 28 days starting from the day after the publishing of consultation documents, such as the PEIR.

However, we will be extending this period to give people as much opportunity as possible to provide their feedback.

7.5 Where we are consulting

For this consultation, we have identified a consultation zone which is illustrated on the map below. This is based on who we think may be affected by our proposals. We will let people living/working in this area know about our consultation by posting information at the start of our consultation period.

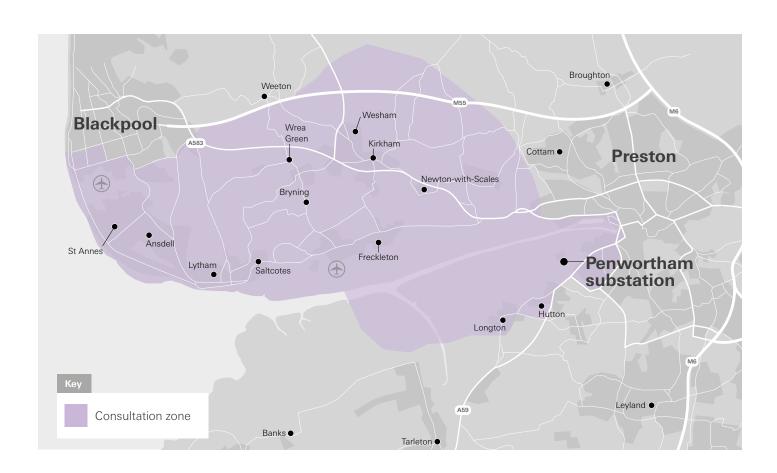
We will also hold public consultation events in communities within this zone (see pages 18 and 19 for more information).

We will promote the consultation through multiple channels. This will include advertising in local media outlets that serve communities within the consultation zone, and press releases to encourage coverage of the consultation in local media outlets.

We understand that there may be interest in the proposed development beyond the consultation zone, particularly with regard to potential impacts from offshore infrastructure (e.g. offshore substation platforms, Morgan offshore booster station). Anyone who is interested in the Project is welcome to take part. We welcome all views and will take them into consideration before we submit our final application.

The Project will therefore be promoted beyond the consultation zone through advertising and press releases in local newspapers with a wider circulation.

Alongside this publicity campaign, we will continue to engage with relevant parish councils and local authorities, along with other individuals and stakeholder groups.



7.6 How we will consult

We will consult using a variety of methods to help explain our proposals and encourage people to provide their comments.

Community materials

These materials will help people to understand the proposed development and provide their comments to the consultation. They will be easy to follow, use plain English and, where appropriate, make strong use of images and graphics.

- Posters the Project will print posters
 promoting the consultation and contact
 local councils, venues hosting events and
 to other local venues such as supermarkets,
 shops and libraries to ask them to
 consider displaying them to promote the
 consultation and associated events.
- Consultation mailshot a mailshot will be sent to residential and business addresses in the vicinity of the public consultation events. It will highlight the consultation dates and clearly explain where further information can be found, with a focus on encouraging people to visit the website or contact us via the Project information channels.

Details on how to access information on the consultation events will also be included.

• Website – the Project website www.morecambeandmorgan.com/ transmission will be the main public source of information and will be updated to explain the latest proposals. The website will make clear how people can take part in the consultation and what the deadline for feedback is. It will include an interactive feedback map of the proposals and a feedback form. All Project materials will also be available on the website.

- Consultation brochure this brochure will provide a summary of the latest proposals and details of the consultation using easily accessible, plain English. It will make clear how people can take part in the consultation and what the deadline for feedback is. The brochure will be available at publicly accessible venues (see page 20), consultation events, on request from the Project team and made available on the website.
- Feedback forms this questionnaire will provide an easy way for people to record and submit their feedback. People will be able to submit feedback by filling in the printed form, or visiting our Project website and completing the form online. The feedback form will be designed to encourage people to provide feedback specific to our proposals and also to provide wider feedback in relation to the proposed development. Forms will be available at publicly accessible venues, our public consultation events and online.

A range of other materials, including the PEIR and a non-technical summary of the PEIR (PEIR NTS), will also be made available to help people better understand our proposals and provide us with their feedback.

Find out more on our website www.morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission or use this QR code



7.6 How we will consult (continued)

Community events

To give local people the opportunity to meet the Project team, better understand the proposals and ask any questions they may have, public engagement events will be held in the communities which may be directly affected by these proposals.

Three types of events will be held:

- Consultation events a series of public events for people to visit and meet the Project team, find out about the Project and ask any questions they might have. The events will be located at accessible public locations. Consultation materials will be available at each event and people will be able to submit feedback.
- Pop-up events members of the team will be out and about in the communities, to provide information on the Project and answer any questions people might have. These events will be located in areas where people are going about their daily activities such as supermarkets, leisure venues and transport hubs. The events will be publicised on the poster, mailshot and Project website, as well as via advertising (both print and online).
- Online webinar we will also hold a webinar. This will be publicised in consultation materials and people will be able to register online. The webinar will consist of an overview presentation about the Project and a Q&A session, with a range of Project team members available to answer questions.

It is our preference to hold a range of in-person and online events. But if we are unable to hold events in-person (for example as a result of extreme weather or public health restrictions), we will make alternative arrangements to deliver a larger, broader range of online consultation events.

Consultation events

These are in person drop-in events, meaning you can come along at any time between the hours below. There will be printed materials on display and members of the Project team for you to talk to and find out more.



Please check www.morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission before attending a consultation event in case of any unforeseen changes.

Location	Date	Time
Newton, Salwick & Clifton Village Hall,	Thu 26	3pm to
Vicarage Lane, Newton-with-Scales PR4 3RU	Oct	7pm
St Annes Cricket Club , Vernon Road,	Fri 3	3pm to
Lytham St Annes FY8 2RQ	Nov	7pm
Fylde Rugby Club , Woodlands Memorial Ground, Blackpool Road, Ansdell, Lytham St Annes, FY8 4EL	Fri 10 Nov	3pm to 7pm
William Segar Hodgson Pavilion,	Sat 11	10am to
Coronation Road, Kirkham, Preston PR4 2HE	Nov	1pm
Douglas Borough Council , Town Hall,	Thu 16	3pm to
Ridgeway Street, Douglas, Isle of Man IM99 1AD	Nov	7pm

Pop-up events

These are smaller-scale events in public areas with high footfall, but still a great way to meet the Project team and ask any questions you may have.



Location	Date	Time
St Annes Farmers Market , St Annes Road West, Lytham St Annes, FY8 1SB	Thu 2 Nov	9am to 1pm
Penwortham Farmers' Market, behind St Teresa's Church, Queensway, Penwortham, Preston, PR1 0DS	Sat 4 Nov	9am to 1pm

Online wehinar

Those who would rather engage with the team online, or cannot make it along to an in-person event, can register to attend our online webinar by scanning the QR code below, or visiting



www.morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission.
This event will include a presentation by the Project tea

This event will include a presentation by the Project team and a question-and-answer session.

Once you have registered to attend, you will receive an email confirmation with information about how to join this online event.

Mon 6 Nov 6pm to 7pm



Should you experience any issues while trying to register to attend our online webinar, then please contact the Project team team by emailing info@morecambeandmorgan.com or calling 0800 915 2493 (option 3).

7.6 How we will consult (continued)

Deposit locations

These are publicly accessible venues where printed copies of the SoCC, consultation brochure, a non-technical summary of the PEIR and the feedback form can be viewed. Members of the public will also be able to view the full PEIR digitally.



Location

Freckleton Library,

Preston Old Road, Freckleton, PR4 1PB

Kirkham Library,

Station Road, Kirkham, PR4 2HD

St Annes Library,

254 Clifton Drive South, Lytham St Annes, FY8 1NR

Lytham Library,

Dicconson Terrace, Lytham St Annes, FY8 5JY

Ansdell Library,

59 Commonside, Ansdell, Lytham St Annes, FY8 4DJ

Penwortham Town Council and Community Centre,

Kingsfold Drive, Penwortham, Preston PR1 9EQ

Henry Bloom Noble Library,

8 Duke Street, Douglas, Isle of Man IM1 2AY

Enquiries and information

The Project will operate a freephone enquiry line answer phone service during the consultation. People will be able to leave a message and a member of the team will respond swiftly.



Visit our website:

www.morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission



Call our freephone number: **0800 915 2493** (option 3)



Send an email to:

info@morecambeandmorgan.com



Write to our freepost address:

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7.7 Publicising the consultation

Advertising – the Project will run two rounds of advertising – at consultation launch and approximately two weeks before the close of consultation, encouraging people to take part. This will consist of print advertising in local newspapers that serve the communities in the vicinity of the Project. We will also advertise online, using local media platforms and Google.

Press releases – the Project will issue news releases to local media during the consultation. A press release will be issued at the start of consultation. A further press release may be issued before the close of consultation, encouraging people to take part.

Social media – the Project does not have social media channels specific to the Project but the developers may choose to promote the consultation through their own social media channels if appropriate.

Public notices – the Project will also take out public notices in local and national newspapers, as required by the Planning Act 2008.

Posters – the Project will print consultation posters and contact local councils, venues hosting events and to other local venues such as supermarkets, shops and libraries to ask them to consider displaying them to promote the consultation and associated events.

Emails – the Project will send emails to key stakeholders including local councillors, inviting them to take part and to encourage others to do so. Emails will also be sent to other relevant interest groups and local community organisations.

7.8 Seldom heard groups

To allow people to engage with the consultation at their own convenience, the Project has designed a 'digital first' consultation as outlined in section 7.6. This allows people to take part even if they cannot attend a consultation event.

The webinar will be open to anyone to attend and ask questions of the Project. All information will be available on the website and people are encouraged to submit feedback using the online feedback map or online feedback form.

People will be able to ask questions and find out more by calling the enquiry line, using the email or freepost addresses. For those who are less comfortable engaging digitally, we have developed the consultation to be accessible and this has played an important role in planning consultation activities.

Community events will be held in accessible public locations over a number of different days, and at different times of day, to encourage attendance. We will ensure that venues are accessible via public transport, have sufficient parking and are easy to navigate.

7.9 Requests for documents

We will respond to reasonable requests for further copies of documents. Requests for hard copies will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. A copying charge may apply, to be paid by the recipient in advance.

We recognise that some individuals or groups may have difficulties taking part in the consultation process for a range of reasons. For example, we have identified a number of organisations representing seldom heard groups in the area. As with our non-statutory consultations, we will write to these organisations at the start of the consultation. Requests for specific consultation activities will be planned and agreed with the requesting organisation so that our activities best meet the needs of those it represents.

We will provide the consultation brochure and feedback form in other formats to meet accessibility requirements upon request, such as large print, braille or audio versions.

8. Submitting feedback

8.1 How to submit feedback

The consultation is an important opportunity for affected people, groups and communities to have their say on the proposals, prior to application for development consent.

There are several ways to submit feedback. Everyone submitting their comments to us (and providing their contact details) will receive an acknowledgement that their feedback has been received.

We are not able to respond individually to every question, but the themes and issues raised during this consultation will be summarised in our Consultation Report, which will be published as part of our DCO application.

We will reply to queries received about the logistics of the consultation itself, details of the events being held, availability of consultation materials or advice on how to submit a response. The Project takes data privacy seriously and all data will be held in line with GDPR best practice.

Take part and provide feedback



Feedback map – available on the Project website feedback.morecambeandmorgan. com, this interactive map of the proposals allows people to drop a pin and leave comments online and/or attach files (such as document or images) to their feedback.



Feedback form – available on the Project website www.morecambeandmorgan. com/transmission, at consultation events, deposit locations or by request from the team.



By email – to info@morecambeandmorgan.com



In writing – FREEPOST MORECAMBE AND MORGAN (please be advised it is not possible to send registered post to a freepost address).

8.2 What happens next

Feedback we have received will be reviewed, alongside further technical assessments, as our proposals are updated.

Where further consultation(s) may be conducted by the Project, these will be proportionate to the scale and nature of the changes.

A Consultation Report will be produced and will provide a summary of consultation responses, including how this feedback has been considered. It will detail the consultation process, demonstrating how it was undertaken in accordance with this SoCC, and how it met all legal requirements. We will then submit it as part of the DCO application to the Planning Inspectorate.









