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Glossary

Term	Definition
Design	All of the decisions that shape a development throughout its design and pre-construction, construction / commissioning, operation and, where relevant, decommissioning phases.
Development Consent Order (DCO)	A consent required under Section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 to authorise the development of a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project, which is granted by the relevant Secretary of State following an application to the Planning Inspectorate.
Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)	A process by which certain planned projects must be assessed before a formal decision to proceed can be made. It involves the collection and consideration of environmental information and includes the publication of an Environmental Statement.
Environmental Statement (ES)	A document reporting the findings of the EIA which describes the measures proposed to mitigate any likely significant effects.
Evidence Plan Process (EPP)	A voluntary consultation process with technical stakeholders which includes a Steering Group and Expert Topic Group (ETG) meetings to encourage upfront agreement on the nature, volume and range of supporting evidence required to inform the EIA and HRA process.
Expert Topic Group (ETG)	A forum for targeted technical engagement with relevant stakeholders through the EPP.
Project Design Envelope	<p>A range of design parameters defined where appropriate to enable the identification and assessment of likely significant effects arising from a project's worst-case scenario.</p> <p>The Project Design Envelope incorporates flexibility and addresses uncertainty in the DCO application and will be further refined during the EIA process. The project design envelope incorporates flexibility and addresses uncertainty in the DCO application and assessed during the EIA process.</p>
Scoping Opinion	<p>A written opinion issued by the Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State regarding the scope and level of detail of the information to be provided in the Applicant's Environmental Statement.</p> <p>The Scoping Opinion for the Project was adopted by the Secretary of State on 02 August 2024.</p>
Scoping Report	<p>A request by the Applicant made to the Planning Inspectorate for a Scoping Opinion on behalf of the Secretary of State.</p> <p>The Scoping Report for the Project was submitted to the Secretary of State on 24 June 2024.</p>
Study Areas	A geographical area and / or temporal limit defined for each EIA topic to identify sensitive receptors and assess the relevant likely significant effects.

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Term	Definition
The Applicant	SSE Renewables and Equinor acting through 'Doggerbank Offshore Wind Farm Project 4 Projco Limited'
The Project	Dogger Bank D (DBD) Offshore Wind Farm Project, also referred to as DBD in this PEIR.

1 Pre-application Programme Document

1.1 Introduction

1. This pre-application programme document is produced by the Applicant, SSE Renewables and Equinor acting through 'Doggerbank Offshore Wind Farm Project 4 Projco Limited'. It sets out the main activities to be undertaken throughout the Development Consent Order (DCO) pre-application phase of the Dogger Bank D Offshore Wind Farm Project (hereafter 'the Project' or 'DBD').
2. The production and maintenance, by the Applicant, of a Pre-application Programme Document is a requirement of the Planning Inspectorate under its new pre-application prospectus and tiered application services (Planning Inspectorate, 2024). The pre-application prospectus and services introduced in 2024 aim to accelerate and improve the decision-making process for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects (NSIP) considered under The Planning Act 2008.
3. The Pre-application Programme Document will be reviewed prior to any programmed interaction with the Planning Inspectorate. It will be used to communicate potential impacts on the requested services of the Planning Inspectorate, relevant statutory bodies, local authorities and other stakeholders. The Planning Inspectorate will monitor its development and maintenance throughout the pre-application phase.
4. A public version of the Pre-application Programme Document will be published on the Applicant's website.
5. The pre-application planning document is structured as follows:
 - **Section 1.1** introduces the document and its requirement.
 - **Section 1.1.1** outlines a brief background to the Project.
 - **Section 1.2** outlines the Project's consenting route.
 - **Section 1.3** outlines the Planning Inspectorate's pre-application service and tier system.
 - **Section 1.4** provides a summary of the key dates in the pre-application programme.
 - **Section 1.5** outlines the Applicant's approach to the tracking of issues.
 - **Section 1.6** provide details on planned engagement with Statutory Bodies.

1.1.1 Background to the Project

1.1.1.1 The Applicant

6. SSE Renewables and Equinor, acting through Doggerbank Offshore Wind Farm Project 4 Projco Limited (the Applicant), are developing the Project as a 50/50 joint venture. Both companies are two of the world's leading companies in the development and operation of offshore wind energy and were involved in the design and consenting of all current phases of the Dogger Bank Wind Farm (Dogger Bank A, Dogger Bank B and Dogger Bank C).
7. SSE Renewables is a leading developer and operator of renewable energy generation, focusing on onshore and offshore wind, hydro, solar and battery storage. Part of energy infrastructure company SSE plc, UK-listed in the FTSE100, it is delivering clean power assets to increase SSE's operational renewable generation capacity from 5GW today to up to 9GW by 2027 as part of a ~£20bn clean energy plan, the five-year Net Zero Acceleration Programme Plus. Its core market focus is on the UK and Ireland, with a growing international presence in carefully selected markets in Continental Europe and Japan.
8. Equinor has been a reliable energy partner to the UK for over 40 years, providing a stable supply of oil and gas, developing the UK's offshore wind industry, and pioneering solutions to decarbonise the UK economy. Equinor has a long track record of developing offshore wind farms in the UK, having built and commissioned into operation the Sheringham Shoal Offshore Wind Farm, Dudgeon Offshore Wind Farm and Hywind Scotland Pilot Park, the world's first floating offshore wind farm. Equinor has been operating in the UK for more than 40 years and possesses over 50 years of offshore experience in the North Sea area. Equinor aims to power seven million homes from its UK windfarms by 2030.
9. For further information on DBD Offshore Wind Farm, visit: <https://doggerbankd.com>.

1.1.1.2 The Project

10. As part of its third licensing round in 2008, The Crown Estate identified the Dogger Bank Zone, located between 125km and 290km off the east coast of Yorkshire, as one of the nine offshore wind farm development zones in the UK. Following the 2008 licensing round, four project areas were identified within the zone to take to development consent, namely Creyke Beck A, Creyke Beck B, Teesside A and Teesside B. In 2015, development consent was granted for all four project areas.

11. In 2017, the four project areas were restructured under new ownership arrangements. Creyke Beck A, Creyke Beck B and Teesside A were renamed as Dogger Bank A (DBA), Dogger Bank B (DBB) and Dogger Bank C (DBC) respectively and would progress collectively as the Dogger Bank Wind Farm in three build-out phases by SSE Renewables, Equinor and Vårgrønn. Teesside B was renamed as Sofia Offshore Wind Farm and would be progressed separately from the Dogger Bank Wind Farm by RWE.
12. In 2021, an opportunity was identified by the Applicant to maximise the capacity of the third phase of the Dogger Bank Wind Farm, DBC, such that additional capacity of up to 1.5GW of renewable energy could potentially be consented and constructed in the eastern part of the original DBC site. This new development phase is known as DBD (**see Plate 1**), and is an independent project being promoted by a separate commercial entity from the previous phases of the Dogger Bank Wind Farm.

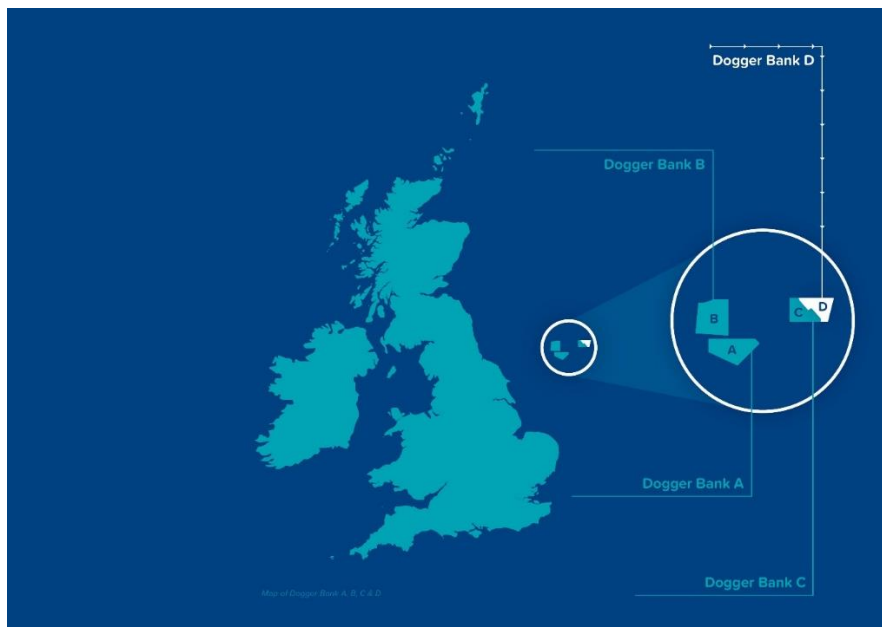


Plate 1 Location of DBD Offshore Wind Farm

13. The DBD Array Area covers an area of approximately 262km² and is located approximately 210km off the Yorkshire coast at its closest point, with its eastern boundary located approximately 160m west of the Dutch Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) (see **Plate 2**).
14. The Project is being developed as a radial connection into Birkhill Wood Substation, a proposed new substation north of Hull as identified through the Holistic Network Design process. Birkhill Wood Substation will serve as the onshore grid connection point for DBD and will be developed and constructed by National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET). The development of Birkhill Wood Substation does not form part of DBD.

15. The key onshore and offshore components of the Project include:
- Wind turbines;
 - Offshore Platform;
 - Foundation structures for wind turbines and the Offshore Platform, along with associated scour protection;
 - Inter-array and offshore export cables and associated cable protection;
 - Offshore Artificial Nesting Structure (ANS);
 - Landfall and associated transition joint bay (TJB) and underground link box;
 - Onshore export cables and associated jointing bays and underground and above-ground link boxes; and
 - Onshore Converter Station (OCS).
16. When operational, the Project would have the potential capacity of up to 1.5GW of renewable energy, powering up to 2.5 million typical United Kingdom (UK) homes (based on information available at the time of writing).



Plate 2 Onshore and Offshore Project Plan

17. Further information on the Project can be found at www.doggerbankd.com.

1.2 Consenting Route

18. The Project would include an offshore generating station in the English Renewable Energy Zone with an installed capacity exceeding 100MW and is therefore classified as a NSIP. As such, a DCO is required under the Planning Act 2008. An application will be made to the Planning Inspectorate who administers the application on behalf of the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero. The associated Deemed Marine Licences (DML) would be included as a schedule to the DCO to cover the marine aspects of the Project and would be developed in consultation with the Marine Management Organisation (MMO).
19. The requirement for an EIA is set out in the EIA Regulations 2017. This legislation stipulates that an EIA must be undertaken in support of applications for development consent of NSIPs. The EIA will consider the appropriate realistic worst-case development scenarios for the Project and present the results on a topic-by-topic basis.
20. In accordance with Regulation 5 of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (the 'APFP Regulations'), details of other consents and licence will be provided to assist in the examination of the DCO application.

1.3 The Planning Inspectorate's Pre-Application Service

21. The Applicant has subscribed to benefit from the Planning Authority's Tier Three enhanced service with the aim of optimising the DCO application prior to submission to increase the likelihood of a smoother and potentially faster post-submission period.
22. Although part of the enhanced tier service, the Applicant will not be pursuing the fast-track application process offered as part of the Planning Inspectorate's 2024 pre-application prospectus.
23. The Applicant has reviewed the recommended pre-examination components and will be taking forward those identified in **Table 1**. Further information on the pre-examination components can be found here: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/nationally-significant-infrastructure-projects-2024-pre-application-prospectus#annex--supplementary-pre-application-components>

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Table 1 Pre-examination components taken forward by the Applicant

Supplementary Component	Required for fast-track	Taken forward by the Applicant
Component 1: Evidence planning	No	Yes
Component 2: Use of pre-application principal areas of disagreement summary statements	Yes	TBC
Component 3: Production of policy compliance document	Yes	Yes
Component 4: Production of design approach document	Yes	Yes
Component 5: Production of mature outline control documents	Yes	Yes
Component 6: Use of multiparty meetings (non-evidence plan)	No	TBC
Component 7: Preparation of compulsory acquisition and temporary possession evidence	Yes	Yes
Component 8: Preparation evidence to support the public sector equality duty	Yes	Yes
Component 9: Multiparty application readiness gate-check (trial)	No	TBC

1.4 The Pre-Application Programme

1.4.1 Key Project Application Milestones

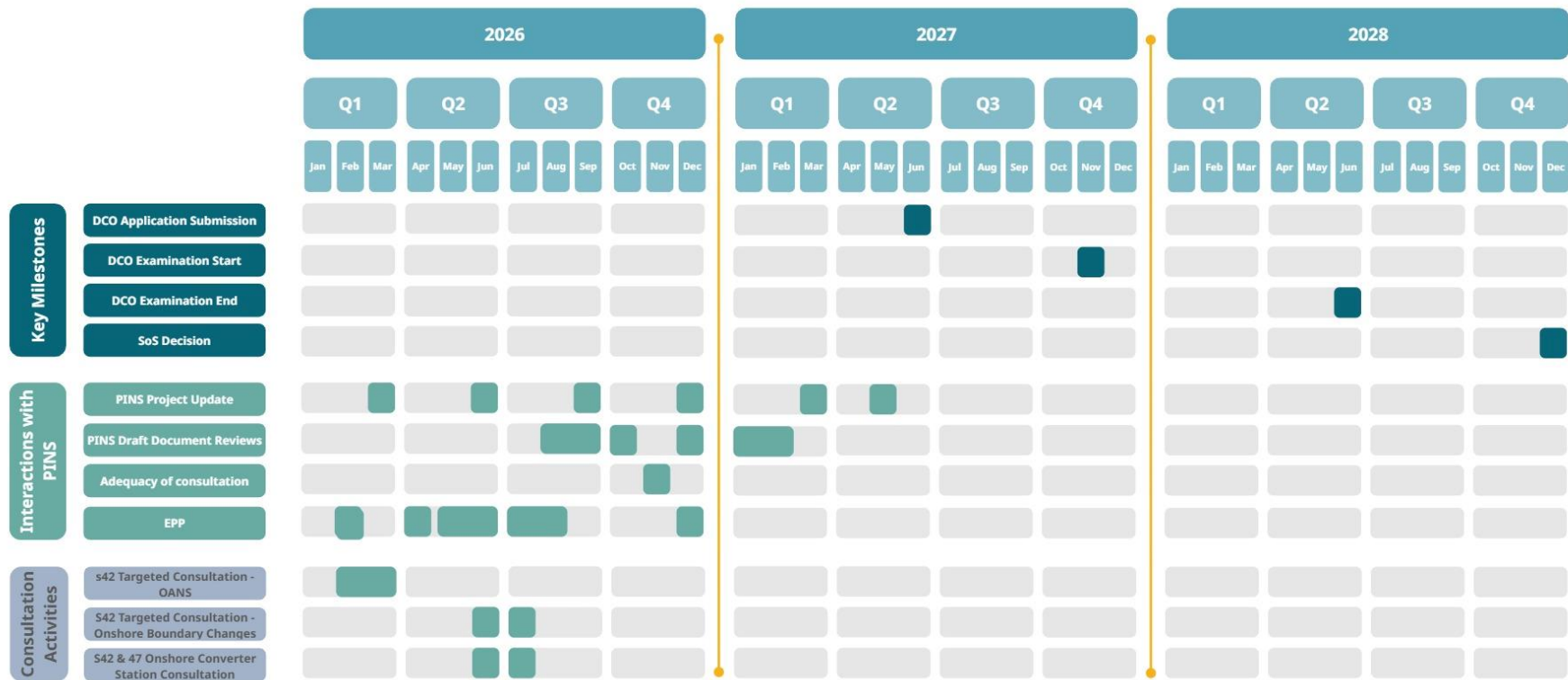
24. Key Project milestones for the DCO application and examination are shown in **Table 2, Plate 3** and Error! Reference source not found..

Table 2 Key Project milestone dates

Task Name	Anticipated date
DCO submission application	June 2027
DCO Examination start	November 2027
DCO Examination end	June 2028
SoS Decision	December 2028

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Plate 3 Overview of key project milestones



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Plate 4 DCO pre-application and stakeholder engagement programme



1.4.2 Interactions with the Planning Inspectorate

25. Planned interactions with the Planning Inspectorate are shown in **Table 3**.

Table 3 Previous and planned interactions with the Planning Inspectorate

Interaction/purpose	Period / Date
Project Update Meetings	
Introductory meeting	5 th August 2022
Project update 1	1 st December 2022
Project update 2	13 th March 2023
Project update 3	9 th January 2024
Project update 4	24 th April 2024
Project update 5	21 st August 2024
Project update 6	13 th November 2024
Project update 7	7 th August 2025
Project update 8	22 nd October 2025
Project update 9	March 2026
Project update 10	June 2026
Project update 11	September 2026
Project update 12	December 2026
Project update 13	March 2027
Project update 14	May 2027
Consultation – see Section 1.4.3	
Multiparty Meetings – see Section 1.6.1	
PINS Draft Document Reviews	
Review Period 1	August 2026 – October 2026
Review Period 2	December 2026 – February 2027
Adequacy of Consultation Milestone	

Interaction/purpose	Period / Date
Provides an early checkpoint where the Planning Inspectorate reviews whether the Applicant's statutory consultation has been carried out properly, helping identify issues early and reducing risks to application acceptance.	November 2026

1.4.3 Interactions with the Statutory Bodies and Local Authorities

26. Refer to **Section 1.6.1 (Table 11)** for details relating to the ongoing EPP process, and past and future Expert Topic Group meetings with Statutory Bodies and Local Authorities. Regular bilateral meetings which fall outside the EPP process are detailed in **Table 4**.

Table 4 Interactions with statutory bodies and local authorities

Statutory Stakeholder	Dates of meeting
MMO	Monthly bilateral meetings
Natural England	Monthly bilateral meetings
East Riding of Yorkshire Council	Quarterly bilateral meetings
DEFRA	Quarterly bilateral meetings
The Crown Estate	Bilateral meetings as required

1.4.4 Non-Statutory and Statutory Consultation Activities

27. Previous and planned non-statutory and statutory consultations are shown in **Table 5**.

Table 5 Previous and planned non-statutory and statutory consultations

Consultation Activity	Period
Non-statutory Consultation	
Public Consultation Introduced the Project to local communities and proposals to develop hydrogen production.	26 th September – 7 th November 2023
Public Consultation	10 ^h September – 22 nd October 2024

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Consultation Activity	Period
Informed local communities of change in Project proposals (removal of hydrogen production and connection to Birkhill Wood Substation).	
Statutory Consultation	
Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) with East Riding of Yorkshire Council and Hull City Council on the proposed approach to consultation with the local community.	10 th March – 11 April 2025
Section 42 Scoping Identified and agreed the specific environmental impacts that will be covered in an ES for the revised grid connection point at Birkhill wood and a change in design to remove hydrogen production.	24 th June 2024 - 2 nd August 2024
Section 48 statutory publicity Publication of notices of the statutory consultation to ensure anyone who may have an interest in the Project has the opportunity to be informed and to make representations.	29 th May – 5 th June 2025
Section 42 PEIR & 47 Public Consultation Presented the Project's potential environmental impacts and effects to facilitate stakeholder consultation prior to submission of the DCO application.	10 th June 2025 - 5 th August 2025
Section 42 Targeted Consultation - Offshore Artificial Nesting Structure (ANS) Presents the potential environmental impacts and effects of the ANS for stakeholder consultation prior to submission of the DCO application.	February 2026 – March 2026
Section 42 Targeted Consultation – Onshore boundary changes Section 42 & 47 Onshore Converter Station Consultation Presents proposed changes to the PEIR boundary; updates on OCS site selection and further details on OCS site design.	June 2026 – July 2026

1.4.5 Activities Relating to the EPP

28. Refer to **Section 1.6.1** for details relating to the ongoing EPP process, and past and future Expert Topic Group meetings.

1.4.6 Activities Relating to the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)

29. A high-level overview of the activities involved in producing the EIA is presented in **Table 6**.

Table 6 High-level overview of the activities associated with the production of the EIA

EIA Workstream	Period
Introductory Chapters	
Drafting Chapters	January 2026 – October 2026
Offshore Chapters	
Surveys	May 2025 – June 2026
Drafting Baseline and Assessment	February 2026 – December 2026
Onshore Chapters	
Surveys	March 2025 – June 2026
Drafting Baseline and Assessment	May 2026 – December 2026
Project Wide Chapters	
Drafting Baseline and Assessments	May 2026 – December 2026
Artificial Nesting Structures	
Drafting Baseline and Assessment	July 2026 – November 2026

1.4.7 Activities Relating to the Preparation of a ‘Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) Report’

30. Planned activities relating to the preparation of the HRA are shown in **Table 7**.

Table 7 Planned activities relating to the preparation of the HRA

Activity	Period
Drafting the Report to Inform Appropriate Assessment	August 2026 – December 2026
Drafting Compensation Road Maps	January 2026 – December 2026
Surveys	
Geo-physical seabed surveys of ANS platform locations	May 2025 – December 2025
Benthic seabed surveys of ANS platform locations	August 2025 – December 2025
Auks - predator eradication site surveys	March 2026 – December 2026
Auks - site visits and bird counts	March 2026 – December 2026

1.4.8 Activities Relating to the Project’s Approach to Design

31. Planned activities relating to the Project’s approach to design are shown in **Table 8**.

Table 8 Planned activities relating to the Project’s approach to design

Activity	Period / Date
Design Panel Meeting 1 including site visit	8 th April 2025
Interim Design Panel meeting	January 2026
Design Panel Meeting 2	April 2026
Design Panel Meeting 3	August 2026

1.4.9 Activities Relating to the Assembly of the Order Lands

32. Planned activities relating to the assembly of order lands are shown in **Table 9**.

Table 9 Planned activities relating to the assembly of order lands

Activity	Period
Land Referencing (Identifying land interests)	November 2024 – October 2025
Preparation of the Book of Reference	March – September 2026
Land Agreements	April 2025 – April 2027
Preparation of Land Rights and Negotiations Tracker	January – April 2027

1.5 Main Issues for Resolution

33. The Applicant will produce and maintain an issues tracker throughout the pre-application stage, which will be made available to the Planning Inspectorate and statutory stakeholders. The degree of risk associated with each issue identified in the tracker will be allocated a ‘RAG’ (red, amber, green) status.
34. The issues tracking process will culminate in a list of ‘potential main issues for the examination’ (PMIE) which will be submitted by the Applicant with the application. Engaging with Statutory Bodies.

1.6 Engaging with Statutory Bodies

35. As a requirement of the Planning Act 2008, the Applicant has undertaken a range of consultations with Statutory Bodies including on the Scoping Report and on the PEIR (see **Section 1.4.4**).
36. The Applicant will prepare a Consultation Report to accompany the DCO application as required under Section 37 of the Planning Act 2008. This will provide details of both the non-statutory consultation and statutory consultation carried out in compliance with Sections 42, 47 and 48 of the Planning Act 2008, record the views of all stakeholders and set out how feedback has been taken into account in the development of the DCO application and the Project design.
37. **Table 10** lists the main statutory consultees engaged with during the pre-application stage of the Project, the type and frequency of engagement, and whether identified issues are likely to be resolved pre-application.

Table 10 Main Statutory Consultees for the Project

Organisation	Main engagement type and frequency
Beverley and North Holderness Internal Drainage Board	EPP

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Organisation	Main engagement type and frequency
	S42 Consultation
Centre for Environment, Fisheries, and Aquaculture Science (CEFAS)	EPP S42 Consultation
Civil Aviation Authority	S42 Consultation
Department for Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA)	S42 Consultation
East Riding of Yorkshire Council	Monthly Project meetings EPP S42 Consultation
East Riding of Yorkshire Council - Highways Authority	EPP S42 Consultation
East Riding of Yorkshire Council - Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA)	EPP S42 Consultation
Environment Agency	EPP S42 Consultation Discretionary Advice Service
Historic England	EPP S42 Consultation Enhanced Advisory Service
Joint Nature Conservation Committee	EPP S42 Consultation
MMO	Monthly Project meetings EPP S42 Consultation Discretionary Advice Service
National Grid	S42 Consultation
National Highways	EPP S42 Consultation
Natural England	Monthly Project meetings EPP

Organisation	Main engagement type and frequency
	S42 Consultation Discretionary Advice Service
The Crown Estate	Ad-hoc topic specific meetings S42 Consultation
Parish and Town Councils	Liaison Group meetings on a quarterly basis S42 Consultation

1.6.1 EPP and technical stakeholders

38. An EPP has been established and followed throughout the development of the EIA and HRA to streamline technical consultation involving multiple interested or responsible stakeholders. The EPP is a voluntary mechanism that encourages early agreement on the type, scope, and amount of supporting evidence the Planning Inspectorate requires to assess the DCO application. It also ensures that feedback from relevant stakeholders is incorporated into the EIA and HRA, while maintaining compliance with the EIA Regulations and Habitats Regulations. An Evidence Plan Report (document reference 5.2.1) will be submitted with the DCO application.
39. The topics and member bodies currently included within the EPP, alongside the EPP meetings to date for the Project are also presented in **Table 11**.

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Table 11 EPP Groups and Meetings

Group		Members	Date(s) of meeting
Steering Group		The Planning Inspectorate Environment Agency Historic England MMO Natural England East Riding of Yorkshire Council Hull City Council	First Meeting: 12 th July 2023 Upcoming meetings: April 2026 December 2026
ETG1	Marine Physical Processes, Benthic Ecology, and Fish Ecology (EIA and HRA)	Natural England MMO Cefas North Eastern Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority (NEIFCA) The Wildlife Trusts	First Meeting: 13 September 2023 Second Meeting (MPP Only): 22 July 2024 Third Meeting: 30th October 2024 Fourth Meeting (MMP): 4th November 2025 Fourth Meeting (Benthic/Fish): 3rd December 2025 Upcoming meetings: May – August 2026
ETG2	Offshore Ornithology (EIA and HRA)	Natural England MMO RSPB	First Meeting: 25 October 2023 Second Meeting: 23 May 2024 Third Meeting: 21 st October 2024

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Group		Members	Date(s) of meeting
			Fourth Meeting: 13 th October 2025
			Upcoming meetings: May - August 2026
ETG3	Marine Mammal Ecology and Underwater Noise (EIA and HRA)	Natural England MMO Cefas The Wildlife Trusts Whale and Dolphin Conservation (written consultation only)	First Meeting: 21 st November 2023 Second Meeting: 17 th October 2024 Third Meeting: 23 rd October 2025
			Upcoming meetings: May - August 2026
ETG4	Offshore Ornithology Compensation (HRA)	Natural England MMO RSPB Supported by specific meetings held with other stakeholders as appropriate The Planning Inspectorate	First Meeting: 28 th May 2024 Second Meeting: 6 th November 2024 Fourth Meeting: 11 th November 2025
			Upcoming meetings: May - August 2026
ETG5	Seabed Compensation (HRA) and Measures of Equivalent Environmental Benefit (MEEB)	Natural England MMO Cefas	First Meeting: 16 th October 2023 Second Meeting: 2 nd May 2024 Third Meeting: 28 th November 2024

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Group		Members	Date(s) of meeting
		JNCC The Planning Inspectorate Supported by specific meetings held with other stakeholders as appropriate	Upcoming meetings: May - August 2026
Onshore Site Selection		Environment Agency Natural England Historic England East Riding of Yorkshire Council The Planning Inspectorate RSPB Hull City Council Internal Drainage Board National Highways	First Meeting: 7 th August 2024
			Upcoming meetings: February 2026
ETG6	Onshore Ecology, Ornithology, and Land Use	Environment Agency Natural England Yorkshire Wildlife Trust East Riding of Yorkshire Council RSPB	First Meeting: 14 th September 2023 Second Meeting: 2 nd October 2024 Upcoming meetings: March / April 2026 September / October 2026 (TBC)

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Group		Members	Date(s) of meeting
ETG7	Onshore and Offshore Archaeology	Historic England Humber Archaeology Partnership (East Riding of Yorkshire Council and Hull City Council) MMO (written consultation for offshore archaeology only)	First Meeting: 18 th September 2023 Second Meeting (Offshore): 16 th May 2024 Second Meeting (Onshore): 28 th August 2024 Third Meeting (Onshore): 10 th March 2025
			Upcoming meetings: March / April 2026 September / October 2026 (TBC)
ETG8	Traffic and Transport	National Highways East Riding of Yorkshire Council Hull City Council	First Meeting: 7 th November 2023 Second Meeting: 30 th September 2024
			Upcoming meetings: March / April 2026 September / October 2026 (TBC)
ETG9	Landscape and Visual Assessment	Historic England East Riding of Yorkshire Council Hull City Council	(No ETG9 meeting held during the 2023 EPP consultation) First Meeting: 10 th September 2024
			Upcoming meetings: March / April 2026 September / October 2026 (TBC)

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Group		Members	Date(s) of meeting
ETG10	Water Resources and Flood Risk, Geology and Ground Conditions	Environment Agency East Riding of Yorkshire Council Beverley and North Holderness Internal Drainage Board (IDB)	First Meeting: 26 th October 2023 Second Meeting: 24 th September 2024
			Upcoming meetings: March / April 2026 September / October 2026 (TBC)
ETG11	Air Quality, Noise and Vibration, Socio-Economics, Tourism and Recreation	East Riding of Yorkshire Council Hull City Council	First Meeting: 6 th November 2023 Second Meeting: 27 th August 2024
			Upcoming meetings: March 2026 September / October 2026 (TBC)

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Acronyms

Acronym	Definition
DBA	Dogger Bank A
DBB	Dogger Bank B
DBC	Dogger Bank C
DBD	Dogger Bank D
DCO	Development Consent Order
DESNEZ	Department for Energy Security and Net Zero
DML	Deemed Marine Licence
EEZ	Exclusive Economic Zone
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
EPP	Evidence Plan Process
EPS	European Protected Species
ES	Environmental Statement
HRA	Habitats Regulation Assessment
HVDC	High Voltage Direct Current
IDB	Internal Drainage Board
MMO	Marine Management Organisation
NGET	National Grid Electricity Transmission
NSIP	Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project
OCS	Onshore Converter Station
PADSS	Principal Areas of Disagreement Statements
PEIR	Preliminary Environmental Information Report
TBC	To Be Confirmed

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