

Regulation 9, The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009

NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER BY THE PLANNING INSPECTORATE (ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR ENERGY AND CLIMATE CHANGE)

THE PROPOSED DOGGER BANK TEESIDE A & B OFFSHORE WIND FARM DEVELOPMENT (Application Reference EN010051)

1. Notice is hereby given that The Planning Inspectorate (on behalf of the Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change) has accepted an application made by Forewind Limited (the Applicant) of 55 Vastern Road, Reading, Berkshire, RG1 8BU for a development consent order (DCO) under the Planning Act 2008 (the Act). The Application was made on 28 March 2014 and accepted for examination on 23 April 2014 (Application Reference: EN010051).

2. The Application relates to the construction and operation of Dogger Bank Teesside A & B (the Project). Dogger Bank Teesside A & B is the second stage of development of the Dogger Bank Zone in the North Sea. It comprises two offshore wind farm arrays (Dogger Bank Teesside A and Dogger Bank Teesside B) each with a generating capacity of up to 1.2 gigawatts and associated infrastructure. The proposed array of Dogger Bank Teesside A is 560km² in area and 196 kilometres at its closest point from the UK coast. The proposed array of Dogger Bank Teesside B is 593km² in area and 165 kilometres at its closest point from the UK coast. Given that the generating capacity of the Development is more than 100 megawatts, an application for development consent is required to be made to the Secretary of State under the provisions of the Act.

3. The Application seeks an order granting development consent for the construction and operation of both Dogger Bank Teesside A and Dogger Bank Teesside B. The proposals include export cables that will connect the offshore wind farm arrays to the UK on the Teesside coast between Redcar and Marske-by-the-Sea and onshore cables from the coast to the converter stations and existing National Grid substation at Lackenby, Redcar and Cleveland.

4. The DCO would, amongst other things, authorise:

Offshore

- up to 400 wind turbines with supporting tower structures, foundations fixed to the seabed and associated support and access structures;
- up to two offshore high voltage direct current (HVDC) converter platforms with foundations fixed to the seabed;
- up to eight offshore collector platforms with foundations fixed to the seabed;
- up to four offshore accommodation or helicopter platforms with foundations fixed to the seabed and including facilities for vessels and helicopters for operations and maintenance activities;
- offshore platforms may be co-joined to create a combined platform, resulting in a combined offshore platform comprising two or more of the platform structures described above;
- up to ten offshore meteorological monitoring stations with foundations fixed to the seabed;
- subsea cables between the elements of offshore infrastructure described above;
- offshore export cables carrying electricity from the offshore HVDC converter platforms to the Teesside coast; and
- ancillary works including: cable and pipeline crossing structures; protection against foundation scour and subsea damage, cable protection measures and vessel-mooring facilities.

Onshore in the Borough of Redcar & Cleveland

- underground cable transition joint bays at the landfall, located between Redcar and Marske-by-the-Sea on the Teesside coast;
- underground HVDC export cables running approximately seven kilometres from the landfall joint bays to the two converter stations;
- up to two converter stations located within the Wilton Complex, with associated access, fencing, landscaping and drainage;

- underground high voltage alternating current (HVAC) export cables running approximately two kilometres from the converter stations to the existing National Grid substation at Lackenby, where connection works will be carried out; and
- ancillary works including: temporary working areas, permanent and temporary access roads, and service corridors.

5. The DCO will include a number of other provisions, including those which:

- authorise the compulsory purchase of land and rights over land, if necessary, to construct and maintain the Project;
- allow all or part of the benefit and rights of the DCO to be transferred to other person(s); and
- are ancillary, incidental and consequential to the above-mentioned purposes and which provide for the permits and/or consents (including but not limited to four deemed Marine Licences) which are required in connection with the Project.

6. The Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) development for the purposes of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009. Accordingly, an Environmental Statement accompanied the Application.

7. A copy of the application form and its accompanying documents, plans and maps may be inspected free of charge from 06 May 2014 until at least 13 June 2014 at the following locations and during the hours set out below:

Library	Opening times	Format
Grangetown Library 172 Birchington Avenue Middlesbrough TS6 7LP	Mon: 9.00am to 12.30pm / 1.30pm to 6.00pm, Tues, Thurs and Fri: 9.00am to 12.30pm / 1.30pm - 5.00pm Sat: 9.00am to 12.30pm Wed and Sun: Closed	DVD
Guisborough Library 90 Westgate Guisborough TS14 6AP	Mon and Tues: 9.00am to 7.00pm, Wed: 9.00am to 6.00pm, Thurs and Fri: 9.00am to 5.00pm, Sat 9.30am to 12.30pm, Sun: Closed	DVD
Kirkleatham Museum Kirkleatham Redcar TS10 5NW	Mon: Closed except bank holidays, Tues to Sun: 10.00am to 4.00pm. Museum is staffed 7 days a week 9.00am to 5.30pm for telephone and email enquiries	DVD
Laburnum Road Library 338 Laburnum Road Redcar TS10 3QS	Mon and Fri: 9.00am to 12.30pm / 1.30pm to 4.00pm, Tues: 9.00am to 12.30pm / 1.30pm to 7.00pm, Wed: 9.00am to 12.30pm / 1.30pm to 5.00pm, Sat: 9.30am to 12.30pm, Thurs and Sun: Closed	DVD
Loftus Library Hall Grounds, Loftus, Saltburn-by-the-Sea. TS13 4HJ	Mon and Tues: 9.00am to 12.30pm / 1.30pm to 6.00pm, Weds and Sat: 9.00am to 12.30pm, Thurs and Fri: 9.00am to 12.30pm / 1.30pm to 5.00pm Sun: Closed	DVD
Marske Library Windy Hill Lane Marske-by-the-Sea Redcar TS11 7BL	Mon, Thurs and Fri: 9.00am to 12.30pm / 1.30pm to 5.00pm, Tues: 9.00am to 12.30pm / 1.30pm to 6.30pm Wed: 9.00am to 1.30pm Sat: 10.00am to 1.30pm Sun: Closed	Hard copy
Mobile Library c/o Roseberry Library	For locations and times contact Roseberry Library on 01642 483326	DVD

Library	Opening times	Format
Redcar Central Library Redcar & Cleveland House, Kirkleatham Street, Redcar TS10 1RT	Mon, Tues, Wed and Fri: 9.00am to 6.00pm Thurs: 9.00am to 5.00pm Sat: 9.00am to 12.30pm Sun: Closed	Hard copy
Roseberry Library Roseberry Road, Redcar TS10 4NY	Mon: 9.00am to 12.30 / 1.30pm to 6.30pm Tues and Thurs: 9.00am to 12.30 / 1.30pm to 5.00pm Fri: 9.00am to 12.30pm / 1.30pm to 4.00pm Sat: 9.30am to 12.30pm Wed and Sun: Closed	DVD
Saltburn Library Windsor Road Saltburn-by-the-Sea TS12 1JW	Mon: 9.30am to 12.30pm / 1.30pm to 6.30pm Tues: 1.30pm to 5.00pm Wed, Thurs and Fri: 9.30am to 12.30pm / 1.30pm to 5.00pm, Sat: 10.00am to 12.30pm / 1.30 to 4.00pm Sun: 12 noon to 4.00pm	Hard copy
The Wilton Centre Wilton, Redcar TS10 4RF	Monday to Friday: 8.00am to 5.15pm, Sat and Sun: Closed	DVD

8. Copies of the documents are also available online through The Planning Inspectorate's website at <http://infrastructure.planningportal.gov.uk/projects/yorkshire-and-the-humber/dogger-bank-teesside-ab/> as well as through the Applicant's website www.forewind.co.uk. Copies can be provided on request by emailing info@forewind.co.uk, writing to **FREEPOST RSLY-HKGG-HEBR, Forewind, Davidson House, Forbury Square, Reading, RG1 3EU** or **Freephone 0800 975 5636**. A charge of £1,000 will be made for the full suite of printed documents, however, electronic copies on DVD can be provided free of charge. Copies of individual documents are also available on request. Reasonable charges may apply to cover the cost of postage.

9. Any representations (giving notice of any interest in, or objection to, the Application) must be made on a Registered and Relevant Representation Form which can be completed online at <http://infrastructure.planningportal.gov.uk/projects/yorkshire-and-the-humber/dogger-bank-teesside-ab/>

10. The Planning Inspectorate encourages registration online but where this is not possible completed paper copies of the Registered and Relevant Representation Form can be obtained from the Planning Inspectorate by telephoning **0303 444 5000**. Once completed, paper copy Registered and Relevant Representation Forms should be sent to the **Planning Inspectorate (National Infrastructure Directorate), Temple Quay House, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN**. The Planning Inspectorate reference for the Project (which is EN010051) should be quoted in any correspondence.

11. Guidance on how to register and submit a representation in relation to the Project can be found in The Planning Inspectorate's Advice Note 8.3 "How to register and become an interested party in an application" which is available on The Planning Inspectorate's website at <http://infrastructure.planningportal.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/04/Advice-note-8-3v4.pdf>.

12. Any representation or response must be received by The Planning Inspectorate by 12th June 2014. Responses and other representations will be made public by The Planning Inspectorate on its website.