

## **WIND FARM UPDATE**

Monday 4th April 2022

### **1. Offshore Transmission Network Review**

There has been no news of any further progress with the government's urgent review of the potential for offshore transmission. Mulbarton Parish Council has submitted a further contribution dealing with the details of the Contract for Difference subsidy allocation round now in progress.

### **2. Contract for Difference auctions**

National Grid has told some applicants that their projects will not qualify for a subsidy, but the details are not available. The time allowed for an appeal against this decision closes on 1st April. If there are no appeals, the results of the allocation round may be published later in April 2022.

### **3. Hornsea Three**

The government is still consulting on proposals for dealing with the effects of the offshore wind farm cable trenches on marine wildlife along the Norfolk coast. This was not resolved as part of the Development Consent Order application and there is no indication of when it will be completed.

An update on the South Norfolk planning applications for the Hornsea Three substation, battery storage installation, and overhead pylon route upgrades to London, will be provided at the meeting.

### **4. Dudgeon and Sheringham Shoal extensions**

Equinor has stated that it will use trench-less crossing to take its cable route under the B1113, thus avoiding the need for a road closure and diversion, but this has not been confirmed in writing.

### **5. East Anglia One North and Two**

A decision for these two wind farms off the coast of Suffolk, which lie within the same zone as Norfolk Vanguard and Boreas, is expected by no later than Thursday 31st March 2022.