Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Hornsea Three Offshore Wind Farm Order 2020, PART 2. (See end of Document for details)

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 11 E+W

DEEMED MARINE LICENCE UNDER THE 2009 ACT-GENERATION ASSETS

PART 2 E+W

CONDITIONS

Design parameters **E+W**

1.—(1) The total number of wind turbine generators comprised in the authorised project must not exceed 231 and a total rotor swept area of 8.8 square kilometres.

(2) Subject to paragraph (3), each wind turbine generator forming part of the authorised project must not—

- (a) exceed a height of 325 metres when measured from LAT to the tip of the vertical blade;
- (b) exceed a rotor diameter of 265 metres;
- (c) be less than 41.8 metres from LAT to the lowest point of the rotating blade; and
- (d) be less than one kilometre from the nearest wind turbine generator in all directions.

(3) The reference in sub-paragraph 1(2)(d) to the location of a wind turbine generator is a reference to the centre point of that wind turbine generator.

(4) Wind turbine generator foundation structures forming part of the authorised scheme must be one of the following foundation options: monopile foundation, mono suction bucket foundation, jacket foundation or gravity base foundation.

- (5) No wind turbine generator—
 - (a) jacket foundation employing pin piles forming part of the authorised project shall have a pin pile diameter of greater than four metres; and
 - (b) monopile foundation forming part of the authorised project shall have a diameter greater than 15 metres.
- (6) The total seabed footprint area for wind turbine generator foundations must not exceed—
 - (a) 435,660 square metres excluding scour protection; and
 - (b) 1,623,182 square metres including scour protection.

(7) The volume of scour protection material for wind turbine generator foundations must not exceed 2,375,044 cubic metres.

Commencement Information

II Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 1 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

2.—(1) The total number of offshore accommodation platforms forming part of the authorised project must not exceed three.

(2) The dimensions of any offshore accommodation platform forming part of the authorised project must not exceed—

- (a) 64 metres in height when measured from LAT;
- (b) 60 metres in length; and
- (c) 60 metres in width.

(3) Any bridge located on an offshore accommodation platform shall be no longer than 100 metres.

(4) Offshore accommodation platform foundation structures forming part of the authorised project must be one of the following foundation options: monopile foundations, mono suction bucket foundations, jacket foundations, or gravity base foundations.

(5) No offshore accommodation platform—

- (a) jacket foundation employing pin piles forming part of the authorised project shall have a pin pile diameter of greater than 4 metres; and
- (b) monopile foundation forming part of the authorised project shall have a diameter greater than 15 metres.

(6) The total seabed footprint area for offshore accommodation platform foundations must not exceed—

- (a) 8,836 square metres excluding scour protection; and
- (b) 28,628 square metres including scour protection.

(7) The volume of scour protection material for offshore accommodation platform foundations must not exceed 43,429 cubic metres.

(8) The total number of cable crossings when combined with the deemed marine licence granted under Schedule 12 (deemed marine licence under the 2009 Act – transmission assets) of the Order must not exceed 44, unless otherwise agreed between the undertaker and the MMO.

(9) No works permitted under this licence may be undertaken within the boundaries of the Markham's Triangle MCZ exclusion zone.

Commencement Information

I2 Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 2 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

3.—(1) The total length of the cables in Work No.1(c) and the volume of their cable protection (excluding cable crossings) when combined with the cable authorised under Work No.2(c) of the deemed marine licence granted under Schedule 12 of the Order must not exceed the following—

Work	Length	Cable protection
Work No. 1(c)	1055 kilometres	1,055,000 cubic metres

(2) No cable protection by way of concrete mattresses may be used in European Sites or MCZ.

(3) No more than 6% of the length of the cables in Work No 1(c) falling within any European Site shall be subject to cable protection, unless otherwise agreed with the MMO.

(4) No more than 7% of the length of the cables in Work No 1(c) falling within any MCZ shall be subject to cable protection, unless otherwise agreed with the MMO.

(5) Any cable protection authorised under this licence must be deployed within 15 years from the date of the grant of the Order unless otherwise agreed by the MMO.

Commencement Information

I3 Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 3 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

Phases of authorised development E+W

4.—(1) The authorised development may not be commenced until a written scheme setting out the phases of construction of the authorised project has been submitted to and approved by the MMO.

(2) The phases of construction referred to in paragraph (1) shall not exceed two, save that each phase may be undertaken in any number of stages as prescribed in the written scheme.

(3) The scheme must be implemented as approved.

Commencement Information

I4 Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 4 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

Maintenance of the authorised development **E+W**

5.—(1) The undertaker may at any time maintain the authorised development, except to the extent that this licence or an agreement made under this licence provides otherwise.

(2) No maintenance works whose likely effects are not assessed in the environmental statement may be carried out, unless otherwise approved by the MMO.

(3) Maintenance works include but are not limited to—

- (a) major wind turbine component or offshore accommodation platform replacement;
- (b) painting wind turbine generators or offshore accommodation platforms;
- (c) bird waste removal;
- (d) cable remedial burial;
- (e) array cable repairs;
- (f) access ladder replacement;
- (g) wind turbine generator anode replacement; and
- (h) J-tube repair/replacement.

(4) Where the MMO's approval is required under paragraph (2), approval may be given only where it has been demonstrated to the satisfaction of the MMO that the approval sought is unlikely to give rise to any materially new or materially different environmental effects from those assessed in the environmental statement.

(5) The undertaker shall issue to operators of vessels under its control operating within the Order limits a code of conduct to prevent collision risk or injury to marine mammals.

(6) The undertaker shall ensure appropriate co-ordination of vessels within its control operating within the Order limits so as to reduce collision risk to other vessels including advisory safe passing distances for vessels.

Commencement Information

I5 Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 5 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

Extension of time periods **E+W**

6. Any time period given in this licence given to either the undertaker or the MMO may be extended with the agreement of the other party.

Commencement Information

I6 Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 6 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

Notifications and inspections E+W

7.—(1) The undertaker must ensure that—

- (a) a copy of this licence (issued as part of the grant of the Order) and any subsequent amendments or revisions to it is provided to—
 - (i) all agents and contractors notified to the MMO in accordance with condition 16; and
 - (ii) the masters and transport managers responsible for the vessels notified to the MMO in accordance with condition 16; and
- (b) within 28 days of receipt of a copy of this licence those persons referred to in paragraph (a) above must provide a completed confirmation form to the MMO confirming receipt of this licence.

(2) Only those persons and vessels notified to the MMO in accordance with condition 16 are permitted to carry out the licensed activities.

(3) Copies of this licence must also be available for inspection at the following locations—

- (a) the undertaker's registered address;
- (b) any site office located at or adjacent to the construction site and used by the undertaker or its agents and contractors responsible for the loading, transportation or deposit of the authorised deposits; and
- (c) on board each vessel or at the office of any transport manager with responsibility for vessels from which authorised deposits or removals are to be made.

(4) The documents referred to in sub-paragraph (1)(a) must be available for inspection by an authorised enforcement officer at the locations set out in sub-paragraph (3)(b) above.

(5) The undertaker must provide access, and if necessary appropriate transportation, to the offshore construction site or any other associated works or vessels to facilitate any inspection that the MMO considers necessary to inspect the works during construction and operation of the authorised project.

(6) The undertaker must inform the MMO Coastal Office in writing at least five days prior to the commencement of the licensed activities or any part of them and within five days of the completion of the licenced activity.

(7) The undertaker must inform the Kingfisher Information Service of Seafish by email to kingfisher@seafish.co.uk of details regarding the vessel routes, timings and locations relating to the construction of the authorised project or relevant part—

- (a) at least fourteen days prior to the commencement of offshore activities, for inclusion in the Kingfisher Fortnightly Bulletin and offshore hazard awareness data; and
- (b) on completion of construction of all offshore activities,

and confirmation of notification must be provided to the MMO within five days.

(8) A notice to mariners must be issued at least ten days prior to the commencement of the licensed activities or any part of them advising of the start date of Work No. 1 and the expected vessel routes from the construction ports to the relevant location. Copies of all notices must be provided to the MMO and UKHO within five days.

(9) The notices to mariners must be updated and reissued at weekly intervals during construction activities and at least five days before any planned operations and maintenance works and supplemented with VHF radio broadcasts agreed with the MCA in accordance with the construction programme approved under condition 13(1)(b). Copies of all notices must be provided to the MMO and UKHO within five days.

(10) The undertaker must notify the UK Hydrographic Office both of the commencement (within ten days), progress and completion of construction (within ten days) of the licensed activities in order that all necessary amendments to nautical charts are made and the undertaker must send a copy of such notifications to the MMO.

(11) In case of damage to, or destruction or decay of, the authorised project seaward of MHWS or any part thereof the undertaker must as soon as possible and no later than 24 hours following the undertaker becoming aware of any such damage, destruction or decay, notify the MMO, MCA, Trinity House, the Kingfisher Information Service of Seafish and the UK Hydrographic Office.

(12) In case of the development of a cable exposure deemed by the undertaker to present a risk to fishing activity, the undertaker must notify mariners by issuing a notice to mariners and notify the MMO and the Kingfisher Information Service within three working days following the undertaker becoming aware of it.

Commencement Information

I7 Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 7 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

Aids to navigation **E+W**

8.—(1) The undertaker must during the whole period from commencement of the licensed activities to completion of decommissioning of the authorised project seaward of MHWS exhibit such lights, marks, sounds, signals and other aids to navigation, and take such other steps for the prevention of danger to navigation as Trinity House may from time to time direct.

(2) The undertaker must during the period from the start of construction of the authorised project to completion of decommissioning of the authorised project seaward of MHWS keep Trinity House and the MMO informed of progress of the authorised project seaward of MHWS including the following—

- (a) notice of commencement of construction of the authorised project within 24 hours of commencement having occurred;
- (b) notice within 24 hours of any aids to navigation being established by the undertaker; and
- (c) notice within five days of completion of construction of the authorised project.

(3) The undertaker must provide reports to Trinity House on the availability of aids to navigation in accordance with the frequencies set out in the aids to navigation management plan agreed pursuant to condition 13(1)(j) using the reporting system provided by Trinity House.

(4) The undertaker must during the whole period from commencement of the licensed activities to completion of decommissioning of the authorised project seaward of MHWS notify Trinity House and the MMO of any failure of the aids to navigation and the timescales and plans for remedying such failures, as soon as possible and no later than 24 hours following the undertaker becoming aware of any such failure.

(5) In the event that the provisions of condition 7(11) are invoked, the undertaker must lay down such buoys, exhibit such lights and take such other steps for preventing danger to navigation as directed by Trinity House.

Commencement Information I8 Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 8 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

9.—(1) The undertaker must colour all structures yellow (colour code RAL 1023) from at least highest astronomical tide to a height directed by Trinity House, or must colour the structure as directed by Trinity House from time to time.

(2) Subject to sub-paragraph (1) above, unless the MMO otherwise directs, the undertaker must ensure that the wind turbine generators are painted light grey (colour code RAL 7035).

Commencement Information

I9 Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 9 in force at 22.1.2021, see **art. 1**

Aviation safety E+W

10.—(1) The undertaker must exhibit such lights, with such shape, colour and character as are required in writing by Air Navigation Order 2016^{MI} and determined necessary for aviation safety in consultation with the Defence Infrastructure Organisation Safeguarding and as directed by the Civil Aviation Authority

(2) The undertaker must notify the Defence Infrastructure Organisation Safeguarding, and the MMO, at least 14 days prior to the commencement of the authorised project, in writing of the following information—

- (a) the date of the commencement of construction of the authorised project;
- (b) the date any wind turbine generators are brought into use;
- (c) the maximum height of any construction equipment to be used;
- (d) the maximum heights of any wind turbine generator and offshore accommodation platform to be constructed;
- (e) the latitude and longitude of each wind turbine generator and offshore accommodation platform to be constructed,

and the Defence Infrastructure Organisation Safeguarding must be notified of any changes to the information supplied under this paragraph and of the completion of the construction of the authorised project.

Commencement Information

I10 Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 10 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

Marginal Citations M1 S.I. 2016/765.

Chemicals, drilling and debris E+W

11.—(1) Unless otherwise agreed in writing by the MMO all chemicals used in the construction of the authorised project must be selected from the List of Notified Chemicals approved for use by the offshore oil and gas industry under the Offshore Chemicals Regulations 2002^{M2} (as amended).

(2) The undertaker must ensure that any coatings/treatments are suitable for use in the marine environment and are used in accordance with guidelines approved by Health and Safety Executive and the Environment Agency Pollution Prevention Control Guidelines.

(3) The storage, handling, transport and use of fuels, lubricants, chemicals and other substances must be undertaken so as to prevent releases into the marine environment, including bunding of 110% of the total volume of all reservoirs and containers.

(4) The undertaker must inform the MMO of the location and quantities of material disposed of each month under the Order, by submission of a disposal return by 31 January each year for the months August to January inclusive, and by 31 July each year for the months February to July inclusive.

(5) The undertaker must ensure that only inert material of natural origin, produced during the drilling installation of or seabed preparation for foundations, and drilling mud is disposed of within the Order limits seaward of MHWS.

(6) The undertaker must ensure that any rock material used in the construction of the authorised project is from a recognised source, free from contaminants and containing minimal fines.

(7) In the event that any rock material used in the construction of the authorised project is misplaced or lost below MHWS, the undertaker must report the loss to the District Marine Office within 48 hours and if the MMO reasonably considers such material to constitute a navigation or environmental hazard (dependent on the size and nature of the material) the undertaker must endeavour to locate the material and recover it.

(8) The undertaker must ensure that no waste concrete slurry or wash water from concrete or cement works are discharged into the marine environment. Concrete and cement mixing and washing areas should be contained to prevent run off entering the water through the freeing ports.

(9) The undertaker must ensure that any oil, fuel or chemical spill within the marine environment is reported to the MMO, Marine Pollution Response Team in accordance with the marine pollution contingency plan agreed under condition 13(1)(d)(i).

(10) All dropped objects must be reported to the MMO using the Dropped Object Procedure Form as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event within 24 hours of the undertaker becoming aware of an incident. On receipt of the Dropped Object Procedure Form, the MMO may require relevant surveys to be carried out by the undertaker (such as side scan sonar) if reasonable to do so and the MMO may require obstructions to be removed from the seabed at the undertaker's expense if reasonable to do so.

Commencement InformationI11Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 11 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

Marginal Citations M2 S.I. 2002/1355.

Force majeure E+W

12.—(1) If, due to stress of weather or any other cause the master of a vessel determines that it is necessary to deposit the authorised deposits within or outside of the Order limits because the safety of human life and/or of the vessel is threatened, within 48 hours full details of the circumstances of the deposit must be notified to the MMO.

(2) The unauthorised deposits must be removed at the expense of the undertaker unless written approval is obtained from the MMO.

Commencement Information

I12 Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 12 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

Pre-construction plans and documentation **E+W**

13.—(1) The licensed activities or any phase of those activities must not commence until the following (insofar as relevant to that activity or phase of activity) has been submitted to and approved in writing by the MMO, in consultation with Trinity House and the MCA—

- (a) A design plan at a scale of between 1:25,000 and 1:50,000, including detailed representation on the most suitably scaled admiralty chart, which shows—
 - (i) the proposed location, including grid co-ordinates of the centre point of the proposed location for each wind turbine generator and offshore accommodation platform, subject to any micro-siting required due to anthropological constraints, environmental constraints or difficult ground conditions and choice of foundation types for all wind turbine generators and offshore accommodation platforms;
 - (ii) the number, specifications and dimensions of the wind turbine generators in that phase;
 - (iii) the length and arrangement of cable comprising Work No. 1(c);
 - (iv) the dimensions of all monopile foundations, mono suction bucket foundations, jacket foundations or gravity base foundations; and
 - (v) any exclusion zones or micrositing requirements identified in any mitigation project pursuant to sub-paragraph 13(2)(d) or relating to any Annex I reefs identified as part of surveys undertaken in accordance with condition 17;

to ensure conformity with the description of Work No. 1 and compliance with conditions 1 to 3 above;

- (b) a construction programme to include details of-
 - (i) the proposed construction start date;
 - (ii) proposed timings for mobilisation of plant delivery of materials and installation works; and
 - (iii) an indicative written construction programme for all wind turbine generators offshore accommodation platforms and cable comprised in the works at paragraph 3(a) to 3(b) of Part 1 (licenced marine activities) of this Schedule (insofar as not shown in paragraph (ii) above);

unless otherwise agreed in writing with the MMO;

- (c) a construction method statement in accordance with the construction methods assessed in the environmental statement and including details of—
 - (i) foundation installation methodology, including drilling methods and disposal of drill arisings and material extracted during seabed preparation for foundation and cable

installation works and having regard to any mitigation scheme pursuant to subparagraph 13(1)(f);

- (ii) advisory safe passing distances for vessels around construction sites;
- (iii) cable installation;
- (iv) contractors;
- (v) vessels and vessels transit corridors;
- (vi) codes of conduct for vessel operators;
- (vii) associated ancillary works;
- (viii) guard vessels to be employed; and
- (ix) details of means to avoid impacts on European sites;
- (d) a project management plan and monitoring plan covering the period of construction and operation to include details of—
 - (i) a marine pollution contingency plan to address the risks, methods and procedures to deal with any spills and collision incidents of the authorised project in relation to all activities carried out;
 - (ii) a chemical risk assessment to include information regarding how and when chemicals are to be used, stored and transported in accordance with recognised best practice guidance;
 - (iii) a biosecurity plan detailing how the risk of introduction and spread of invasive nonnative species will be minimised;
 - (iv) waste management and disposal arrangements;
 - (v) a code of conduct for vessel operators;
 - (vi) the appointment and responsibilities of a fisheries liaison officer; and
 - (vii) all spatial data for archaeological exclusion zones and application of a protocol for archaeological discoveries;
- (e) a scour protection management plan providing details of the need, type, sources, quantity and installation methods for scour protection, which must be updated and resubmitted for approval if changes to it are proposed following cable laying operations;
- (f) proposed pre-construction monitoring surveys, construction monitoring, post-construction monitoring and related reporting in accordance with conditions 17, 18 and 19;
- (g) in the event that driven or part-driven pile foundations are proposed to be used, a marine mammal mitigation protocol, the intention of which is to prevent injury to marine mammals, including details of soft start procedures with specified duration periods following current best practice as advised by the relevant statutory nature conservation bodies;
- (h) a cable specification and installation plan, to include-
 - (i) technical specification of offshore cables below MHWS, including a desk-based assessment of attenuation of electro-magnetic field strengths, shielding and cable burial depth in accordance with industry good practice;
 - (ii) a sandwave clearance plan for all designated sites affected, including details of the volumes of material to be dredged, timing of works, locations for disposal and monitoring proposals;
 - (iii) a detailed cable laying plan for the Order limits, incorporating a burial risk assessment encompassing the identification of any cable protection that exceeds 5% of navigable depth referenced to Chart Datum and, in the event that any area of cable

protection exceeding 5% of navigable depth is identified, details of any steps (to be determined following consultation with the MCA and Trinity House) to be taken to ensure existing and future safe navigation is not compromised or similar such assessment to ascertain suitable burial depths and cable laying techniques, including cable protection;

- (iv) a cable protection plan for all designated sites where cable protection is required, including details of the volumes, material, locations and seabed footprints for cable protection measures, where required, consideration of alternative methods of protection and monitoring proposals and provision for review and update of the plan for a period of 15 years from the date of the grant of the Order;
- (v) proposals for the volume and areas of cable protection to be used for each cable crossing; and
- (vi) proposals for monitoring offshore cables including cable protection during the operational lifetime of the authorised project which includes a risk based approach to the management of unburied or shallow buried cables, and, where necessary, details of micrositing through any European Site.
- (i) an offshore operations and maintenance plan, to be submitted to the MMO at least four months prior to commencement of operation of the licensed activities and to provide for review and resubmission every three years during the operational phase;
- (j) an aid to navigation management plan to be agreed in writing by the MMO following consultation with Trinity House, to include details of how the undertaker will comply with the provisions of condition 8 for the lifetime of the authorised project;
- (k) a plan for marine mammal monitoring setting out the circumstances in which marine mammal monitoring will be required and the monitoring to be carried out in such circumstances; and
- (l) an ornithological monitoring plan setting out the circumstances in which ornithological monitoring will be required and the monitoring to be carried out in such circumstances.

(2) The licensed activities or any part of those activities must not commence unless no later than 6 months prior to the commencement a written scheme of archaeological investigation has been submitted to and approved by the MMO, in accordance with the outline offshore written scheme of investigation, and in accordance with industry good practice, in consultation with the statutory historic body to include—

- (a) details of responsibilities of the undertaker, archaeological consultant and contractor;
- (b) a methodology for further site investigation including any specifications for geophysical, geotechnical and diver or remotely operated vehicle investigations;
- (c) archaeological analysis of survey data, and timetable for reporting, which is to be submitted to the MMO within six months of any survey being completed;
- (d) delivery of any mitigation including, where necessary, identification and modification of archaeological exclusion zones prior to construction;
- (e) monitoring of archaeological exclusion zones during and post construction, including provision of a report on such monitoring;
- (f) a requirement for the undertaker to ensure that a copy of any agreed archaeological report is deposited with the National Record of the Historic Environment, by submitting a Historic England OASIS ('Online Access to the Index of archaeological investigations') form with a digital copy of the report within six months of completion of construction of the authorised scheme, and to notify the MMO that the OASIS form has been submitted to the National Record of the Historic Environment within two weeks of submission;

- (g) a reporting and recording protocol, including reporting of any wreck or wreck material during construction, operation and decommissioning of the authorised scheme;
- (h) implementation of the Offshore Renewables Protocol for Reporting Archaeological Discoveries as set out by The Crown Estate; and
- (i) a timetable for all further site investigations, which must allow sufficient opportunity to establish a full understanding of the historic environment within the offshore Order limits and the approval of any necessary mitigation required as a result of the further site investigations prior to commencement of licensed activities.

(3) Pre-construction archaeological investigations and pre-commencement material operations which involve intrusive seabed works must only take place in accordance with a specific outline written scheme of investigation (which must accord with the details set out in the outline offshore written scheme of investigation) which has been submitted to and approved by the MMO.

(4) The licensed activities or any part of those activities must not commence until a fisheries coexistence and liaison plan in accordance with the outline fisheries coexistence and liaison plan has been submitted to and approved by the MMO.

(5) In the event that driven or part-driven pile foundations are proposed to be used, the licenced activities, or any phase of those activities must not commence until a Site Integrity Plan which accords with the principles set out in the in principle Hornsea Three Southern North Sea Special Area of Conservation Site Integrity Plan has been submitted to the MMO and the MMO is satisfied that where the plan assesses that mitigation is necessary to avoid adversely affecting the integrity (within the meaning of the 2017 Regulations) of the Southern North Sea Special Area of Conservation, it provides for such mitigation, to the extent that harbour porpoise are a protected feature of that site.

(6) In the event that driven or part-driven pile foundations are proposed to be used, the hammer energy used to drive or part-drive the pile foundations must not exceed 5,000kJ.

Commencement Information

I13 Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 13 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

14.—(1) Each programme, statement, plan, protocol or scheme required to be approved under condition 13 (save for that required under condition 13(1)(f)) must be submitted for approval at least four months prior to the intended commencement of licensed activities, except where otherwise stated or unless otherwise agreed in writing by the MMO.

(2) The pre-construction monitoring surveys, construction monitoring, post-construction monitoring and related reporting required under condition 13(1)(f) must be submitted in accordance with the following, unless otherwise agreed in writing with the MMO—

- (a) at least four months prior to the first survey, detail of any pre-construction surveys and an outline of all proposed monitoring;
- (b) at least four months prior to construction, detail on construction monitoring; and
- (c) at least four months prior to commissioning, detail of post-construction (and operational) monitoring;

(3) The design plan required by condition 13(1)(a) shall be prepared by the undertaker and determined by the MMO in accordance with the Development Principles.

(4) The MMO shall determine an application for approval made under condition 13 within a period of four months commencing on the date the application is received by the MMO, unless otherwise agreed in writing with the undertaker.

(5) The licensed activities must be carried out in accordance with the approved plans, protocols, statements, schemes and details approved under condition 13, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the MMO.

Commencement Information

I14 Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 14 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

Offshore safety management E+W

15. No part of the authorised scheme may commence until the MMO, in consultation with the MCA, has given written approval of an Emergency Response Co-operation Plan (ERCoP) which includes full details of the plan for emergency response and co-operation for the construction, operation and decommissioning phases of that part of the authorised scheme in accordance with the MCA recommendations contained within MGN543 "Offshore Renewable Energy Installations (OREIs) – Guidance on UK Navigational Practice, Safety and Emergency Response Issues" (or any equivalent guidance that replaces or supersedes it), and has confirmed in writing that the undertaker has taken into account and, so far as is applicable to that part of the authorised scheme, adequately addressed all MCA recommendations contained within MGN543 and its annexes.

Commencement Information

I15 Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 15 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

Reporting of engaged agents, contractors and vessels **E+W**

16.—(1) The undertaker must provide the following information to the MMO—

- (a) the name and function of any agent or contractor appointed to engage in the licensed activities within seven days of appointment; and
- (b) each week during the construction of the authorised scheme a completed Hydrographic Note H102 listing the vessels currently and to be used in relation to the licensed activities.

(2) Any changes to the supplied details must be notified to the MMO in writing prior to the agent, contractor or vessel engaging in the licensed activities.

Commencement Information

I16 Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 16 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

Pre-construction monitoring and surveys E+W

17.—(1) The undertaker must in discharging condition 13(1)(f) submit a monitoring plan or plans in accordance with an in-principle monitoring plan for written approval by the MMO in consultation with the relevant statutory bodies, which shall contain details of proposed surveys, including methodologies and timings, and a proposed format and content for a pre-construction baseline report and;

(a) the survey proposals must be in general accordance with the principles set out in the inprinciple monitoring plan and must specify each survey's objectives and explain how it will assist in either informing a useful and valid comparison with the post-construction position or will enable the validation or otherwise of key predictions in the environmental statement; and

(b) the baseline report proposals must ensure that the outcome of the agreed surveys together with existing data and reports are drawn together to present a valid statement of the preconstruction position, with any limitations, and must make clear what post-construction comparison is intended and the justification for this being required.

(2) Subject to receipt from the undertaker of specific proposals pursuant to this Condition, the pre-construction surveys must comprise, in outline—

- (a) a high-resolution swath bathymetric survey to include a 100% coverage and a side-scan sonar survey of the parts of the offshore Order limits within which it is proposed to carry out construction works and disposal activities under this licence, to—
 - (i) determine the location, extent and composition of any biogenic or geogenic reef features, as set out within the in-principle monitoring plan;
 - (ii) inform future navigation risk assessments as part of the cable specification and installation plan;
 - (iii) inform the identification of any archaeological exclusion zone and post consent monitoring of any such archaeological exclusion zone; and
 - (iv) to identify and characterise any preferred sandeel habitat.
- (b) any marine mammal monitoring required by the plan for marine mammal monitoring submitted in accordance with condition 13(1)(k); and
- (c) any ornithological monitoring required by the Ornithological Monitoring Plans submitted in accordance with condition 13(1)(1).

(3) The undertaker must carry out the surveys specified within the monitoring plan or plans in accordance with that plan or plans, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the MMO in consultation with the relevant statutory nature conservation body.

Commencement Information

II7 Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 17 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

Construction monitoring **E+W**

18.—(1) The undertaker must in discharging condition 13(1)(f) submit a construction monitoring plan or plans for written approval by the MMO in consultation with the relevant statutory nature conservation body, which shall include details of any proposed construction monitoring, including methodologies and timings, and a proposed format, content and timings for providing reports on the results. The survey proposals must be in general accordance with the principles set out in the inprinciple monitoring plan and must specify each survey's objectives and explain how it will assist in either informing a useful and valid comparison with the pre-construction position and/or will enable the validation or otherwise of key predictions in the environmental statement.

(2) Subject to receipt from the undertaker of specific proposals pursuant to this condition the construction monitoring plan must include, in outline—

- (a) where piled foundations are to be employed, unless otherwise agreed by the MMO in writing, details of proposed monitoring of the noise generated by the installation of the first four monopile foundations to be constructed under this licence;
- (b) a plan for monitoring of the duration of piling activity; and

(c) details of vessel traffic monitoring by automatic identification system for the duration of the construction period including obligations to report annually to the MMO, Trinity House and the MCA during the construction phase of the authorised development.

(3) The results of the initial noise measurements monitored in accordance with condition 18(2)(a) must be provided to the MMO within six weeks of the installation of the first four piled foundations of each piled foundation type. The assessment of this report by the MMO will determine whether any further noise monitoring is required. If, in the opinion of the MMO in consultation with the relevant statutory nature conservation body, the assessment shows significantly different impacts to those assessed in the environmental statement or failures in mitigation, all piling activity must cease until an update to the marine mammal mitigation protocol and further monitoring requirements have been agreed.

(4) The undertaker must carry out the surveys specified within the construction monitoring plan or plans in accordance with that plan or plans, including any further noise monitoring required in writing by the MMO under condition 18(3), unless otherwise agreed in writing by the MMO in consultation with the relevant statutory nature conservation body.

Commencement Information

I18 Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 18 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

Post-construction monitoring **E**+W

19.—(1) The undertaker must in discharging condition 13(1)(f) submit a post-construction monitoring plan or plans for written approval by the MMO in consultation with the relevant statutory nature conservation body including details of proposed post-construction surveys, including methodologies (including appropriate buffers, where relevant) and timings, and a proposed format, content and timings for providing reports on the results. The survey proposals must be in general accordance with the principles set out in the in-principle monitoring plan and must specify each survey's objectives and explain how it will assist in either informing a useful and valid comparison with the preconstruction position and/or will enable the validation or otherwise of key predictions in the environmental statement.

(2) Subject to receipt of specific proposals the post-construction survey plan or plans must include, in outline—

- (a) a survey to determine any change in the location, extent and composition of any biogenic or geogenic reef feature identified in the pre-construction survey in the parts of the offshore Order limits in which construction works were carried out. The survey design must be informed by the results of the pre-construction benthic survey;
- (b) any marine mammal monitoring required by the plan for marine mammal monitoring submitted in accordance with condition 13(1)(k);
- (c) any ornithological monitoring required by the Ornithological Monitoring Plans submitted in accordance with condition 13(1)(l);
- (d) details of vessel traffic monitoring by automatic identification system, for a period of 28 individual days taking account seasonal variations in traffic patterns over the course of one year to be submitted to the MMO, Trinity House and the MCA no later than one year following completion of the construction phase of the authorised development;
- (e) a full sea floor coverage swath-bathymetry survey of the areas within which construction activity has taken place in order to inform of any dropped objects or residual navigational risk to be submitted to the MMO and MCA;

- (f) a bathymetric survey to monitor the effectiveness of archaeological exclusion zones identified to have been potentially impacted by construction works. The data shall be analysed by an accredited archaeologist as defined in the offshore written scheme of investigation required under condition 13(2);
- (g) a high resolution swath bathymetric and side scan sonar survey to determine any change to the seabed morphology and composition around a representative number of WTG foundations within muddy sediments of the outer Silver Pit and Markham's Hole features, in accordance with the scour monitoring detailed within the in-principle monitoring plan; and
- (h) a high resolution swath-bathymetric and side scan sonar survey to determine any change and recovery in the composition of any preferred sandeel habitat identified in the preconstruction survey in the parts of the offshore Order limits in which sandwave clearance activity has been carried out. The survey design must be informed by the results of the pre-construction benthic survey.

(3) The undertaker must carry out the surveys agreed under condition 19(1) and provide the agreed reports in the agreed format in accordance with the agreed timetable, unless otherwise agreed in writing with the MMO in consultation with the relevant statutory nature conservation body.

Commencement Information

I19 Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 19 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

Timing of monitoring report **E+W**

20. Any monitoring report compiled in accordance with the monitoring plans provided under conditions 17, 18 and 19 must be provided to the MMO no later than four months following completion of the monitoring to which it relates, unless otherwise agreed with the MMO.

Commencement Information

I20 Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 20 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

Updating of cable monitoring plan **E+W**

21. Following installation of cables, the cable monitoring plan required under condition 13(1)(h) (vi) must be updated with the results of the post-installation surveys. The plan must be implemented during the operational lifetime of the project and reviewed as specified within the plan, following cable burial surveys, or as instructed by the MMO.

Commencement InformationI21Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 21 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

Reporting of impact pile driving E+W

22.—(1) Only when driven or part-driven pile foundations or detonation of explosives are proposed to be used as part of the foundation installation the undertaker must provide the following information to the Marine Noise Registry—

- (a) prior to the commencement of the licenced activities, information on the expected location, start and end dates of impact pile driving/detonation of explosives to satisfy the Marine Noise Registry's Forward Look requirements;
- (b) at six-month intervals following the commencement of pile driving/detonation of explosives, information on the locations and dates of impact pile driving/detonation of explosives to satisfy the Marine Noise Registry's Close Out requirements; and
- (c) within 12 weeks of completion of impact pile driving/detonation of explosives, information on the locations and dates of impact pile driving/detonation of explosives to satisfy the Marine Noise Registry's Close Out requirements.

(2) The undertaker must notify the MMO of the successful submission of Forward Look or Close Out data pursuant to paragraph (1) above within 7 days of the submission.

- (3) For the purpose of this condition—
 - (a) "Marine Noise Registry" means the database developed and maintained by JNCC on behalf of Defra to record the spatial and temporal distribution of impulsive noise generating activities in UK seas; and
 - (b) "Forward Look" and "Close Out" requirements are as set out in the UK Marine Noise Registry Information.

Commencement Information

I22 Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 22 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

Reporting of cable protection E+W

23.—(1) Not more than 4 months following completion of the construction phase of the project, the undertaker shall provide the MMO and the relevant SNCBs with a report setting out details of the cable protection used for the authorised scheme.

(2) The report shall include the following information—

- (a) location of the cable protection;
- (b) volume of cable protection; and
- (c) any other information relating to the cable protection as agreed between the MMO and the undertaker.

Commencement Information

I23 Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 23 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

Decommissioning of cable protection within marine protected areas **E+W**

24.—(1) The obligations under paragraphs (2) and (3) shall only apply if and to the extent that—

- (a) cable protection is installed as part of the authorised project within an area designated as a European Site or MCZ as at the date of the grant of the Order; and
- (b) it is a requirement of the written decommissioning programme approved by the Secretary of State pursuant to sections 105 (requirement to prepare decommissioning programmes) of the 2004 Act, including any modification to the programme under section 108 (reviews and revisions of decommissioning programmes), that such cable protection is removed as part of the decommissioning of the authorised project.

(2) Within such timeframe as specified within the decommissioning programme approved by the Secretary of State, the undertaker shall carry out an appropriate survey of cables within Work No. 1(c), that are subject to cable protection and that are situated within any European Site or MCZ to assess the integrity and condition of that cable protection and determine the appropriate extent of the feasibility of the removal of such cable protection having regard to the condition of the cable protection and feasibility of any new removal techniques at that time, and submit that along with a method statement for recovery of cable protection to the MMO.

(3) Within such timeframe as specified within the decommissioning programme approved by the Secretary of State, the MMO must confirm whether or not it is satisfied with the method statement pursuant to (2) above.

(4) If the MMO has confirmed it is satisfied pursuant to (3) above, then within such timeframe as specified within the decommissioning programme approved by the Secretary of State, the undertaker shall endeavour to recover the cable protection to the extent identified in the survey and according to the methodology set out in the method statement submitted pursuant to (2) above.

Commencement Information

I24 Sch. 11 Pt. 2 para. 24 in force at 22.1.2021, see art. 1

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Hornsea Three Offshore Wind Farm Order 2020, PART 2.