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# Minutes of Meeting

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| **Meeting** | MD-LOT Quarterly Meeting with Stromar Offshore Wind Farm – March 2025 |
| **Meeting Date** | 12.03.2025 |
| **Place** | Online |
| **Participants** | [Redacted] 11 (2) - Ørsted<br>[Redacted] 11 (2) – Ørsted<br>[Redacted] 11 (2) – GoBe<br>[Redacted] 11 (2) – GoBe<br>[Redacted] 11 (2) – MD-LOT<br>[Redacted] 11 (2) – MD-LOT<br>[Redacted] 11 (2) – MD-LOT<br>[Redacted] 11 (2) – NatureScot |
| **Next meeting** | 10 June 2025 |

## Minutes

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| [Redacted] Out of scope | |
| [redacted] provided an update on the key activities in the last quarter, including refinement of the landfall. One landfall zone will be included in the applications and has been significantly reduced geographically since Scoping. The Sandhaven harbour landfall has been removed from the design envelope to be taken forward owing to engineering constraints and commercial complexity. | |
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12 March 2025

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- Removed the Sandhaven harbour option from the Design Envelope. Only one landfall option in final application.

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| **Meeting** | MD-LOT Quarterly Meeting with Stromar Offshore Wind Farm – December 2024 |
| **Meeting Date** | 10.12.2024 |
| **Place** | Online |
| **Participants** | [Redacted] 11 (2) - Ørsted<br>[Redacted] 11 (2) – Ørsted<br>[Redacted] 11 (2) – GoBe<br>[Redacted] 11 (2) – MD-LOT<br>[Redacted] 11 (2) – MD-LOT |
| **Apologies** | NatureScot |
| **Next meeting** | TBC |

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| - Landfall design and location has been in discussion and Stromar will send a follow up email. The project is considering whether it might include an additional landfall location.<br>- Usually the Project wouldn't introduce this at DE3, but because of the potential significant commercial, technical and environmental benefits, the Stromar engineering teams are investigating. | Stromar team to send an email to MD-LOT outlining landfall discussions.<br><br>Stromar team to organise meeting with MD-LOT to present final design and outcome of landfall option work post DE4 in Feb 2025. |

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| - A decision will be made by February 2025 as to whether 1 or 2 landfall options will be taken forward, and this will be communicated to MD-LOT thereafter.<br>- [redacted] – clarified that MD-LOT will not have remit to comment on the design but will attend the meeting to see what the update is. | |

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December 10th 2024

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- Continuing landfall discussions with Sandhaven Harbour Trust ahead of Envelope 4

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# Minutes of Meeting

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| **Meeting** | MD-LOT & NatureScot Quarterly Update |
| **Meeting Date** | 21 June 2024 |
| **Place** | MS Teams Call |
| **Participants** | [Redacted] 11 (2) (MD-LOT) – [Redacted] 11 (2)<br>[Redacted] 11 (2) (MD-LOT) – [Redacted] 11 (2)<br>[Redacted] 11 (2) (MD-LOT) – [Redacted] 11 (2)<br>[Redacted] 11 (2) (NatureScot) – [Redacted] 11 (2)<br>[Redacted] 11 (2) (Orsted) – [Redacted] 11 (2)<br>[Redacted] 11 (2) Orsted) – [Redacted] 11 (2)<br>[Redacted] 11 (2) (Orsted) – [Redacted] 11 (2)<br>[Redacted] 11 (2) (GoBe) – [Redacted] 11 (2)<br>[Redacted] 11 (2) (NatureScot) – [Redacted] 11 (2) |
| **Apologies** | [Redacted] 11 (2) |
| **Next meeting** | TBC |

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| *Landfall Update*<br><br>[redacted] provided an update on the landfall in line with slides. Explained that the two sites have the least ecological constraints, despite being a SSSI.<br><br>Q. Can MD-LOT/NatureScot advise on consenting risks for construction within this SSSI?<br><br>[redacted] – SSSIs are a nationally protected designation and NatureScot would be looking to minimise impacts on the features and avoid adverse effects on site integrity. May potentially need SSSI consents. Preference would be HDD to avoid impacts. In the next design freeze, is Orsted able to narrow to one option of cable installation?<br><br>[redacted] – Preferred position is HDD but dependent on engineering.<br><br>[redacted] – If open-cut is still to be on the table, we request to have a specific meeting to discuss further with NatureScot.<br><br>[redacted] – Any comments from NatureScot on potential impacts and adverse effects would be very useful. A workshop would be useful with specialists, engineers and ornithologists. | [redacted] to organise landfall workshop should additional guidance from NatureScot be requested. [complete] |

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## June 2024

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# 2b. Landfall update

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# 2B. Landfall update

Through our Route Planning and Site Selection process, including site visits with multi-disciplinary teams, & PID and statutory consultee feedback, we have refined the landfall options to two sites; B2 east of Rosehearty and C1 east of Sandhaven.

The sites were chosen as the least impactful areas environmentally and socially (i.e. proximity to properties/ recreation/ fisheries) between Whitehills and just north of Peterhead.

**B2: East of Rosehearty**

- 80-90% exposed bedrock
- Rosehearty to Fraserburgh Coast SSSI for structural and metamorphic (Dalradian) geology and birds
- Shorter route footprint

**C1: East of Sandhaven**

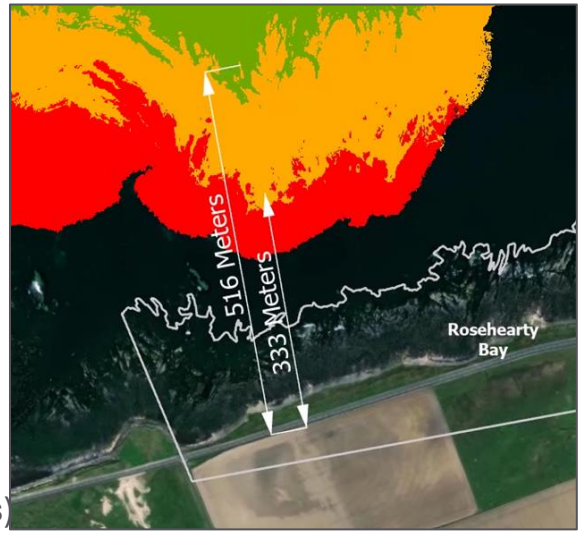
- 20-30% exposed bedrock
- Rosehearty to Fraserburgh Coast SSSI for structural and metamorphic (Dalradian) geology and birds
- Longer route footprint

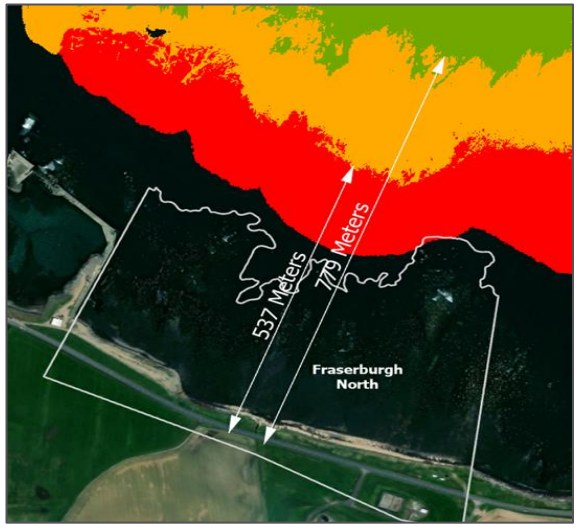
# 2B. Landfall update

The cable specialists outlined two methodologies to route the cables at these landfall options:

- **Horizontal Directional Drilling** would essentially drill underneath the coastline between the 5m contour and land (330m for B2, 550m for C1). Requires consistent geology.

Typical HDD rig (Hornsea 2 AMS Trenchless)




- **Open cut** would require a trench to be excavated for 2-3 circuits of cables, approx. from intertidal zone to onshore compound area, which is then backfilled with CBS.

Typical open cut trench (Hornsea 1 Murphy Group)

Q. For MD-LOT/ NS: Can you advise on any consenting risks you see for either of these engineering options at the landfall locations?

Q. . For MD-LOT/ NS: Can you advise on any consenting risks of construction in the SSSI?

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**Subject:** SCOP-0039 - Stromar Offshore Windfarm Limited – Stromar Offshore Wind Farm – Scotwind NE3 Site - Scoping Consultation - Response Required by 19 February 2024
**Date:** 18 January 2024 09:46:00
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Dear Sir/Madam,

**REGULATION 14 OF THE MARINE WORKS (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2017**
**REGULATION 13 AND SCHEDULE 4 OF THE MARINE WORKS (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2007**
**REGULATION 12 OF THE ELECTRICITY WORKS (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2017**
**(collectively referred to as the "EIA Regulations").**
**SCOP-0039 - Stromar Offshore Windfarm Limited – Stromar Offshore Wind Farm – Scotwind NE3 Site - Approximately 50km East of Wick**

In respect of the proposed section 36 application (under the Electricity Act 1989) and marine licence applications under the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010 and Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009, Stromar Offshore Windfarm Limited has requested the Scottish Ministers adopt a scoping opinion in relation to the above proposed works under the EIA Regulations.

The scoping report submitted by the applicant can be found at: Scoping Report - Stromar Offshore Wind Farm | Marine Scotland Information

To assist the Scottish Ministers in adopting a comprehensive scoping opinion, which will outline the scope and level of detail of information to be provided in the Environmental Impact Assessment ("EIA") Report to be submitted by the applicant with their proposed section 36 consent and marine licence applications, **please review the scoping report and advise on what you consider should be included within or excluded from the scope of the EIA for the proposed project**. In doing so you may wish to consider any comments you may have regarding data sources, proposed methodologies or the requirement for specific studies.

**HABITATS REGULATIONS APPRAISAL SCREENING REPORT**

In addition, Stromar Offshore Windfarm Limited has submitted a Habitats Regulations Appraisal

("HRA") Screening Report. The HRA Screening Report provides information to enable the screening of the Stromar Offshore Wind Farm with respect to its potential to have a likely significant effect on European sites of nature conservation importance.

The HRA Screening Report can be found at: HRA Screening Report - Stromar Offshore Wind Farm | Marine Scotland Information

We would appreciate any comments you may have on the HRA Screening Report and your opinion as to whether or not you are in agreement with the European sites identified.

Please submit your response electronically to MD.MarineRenewables@gov.scot by **19 February 2024**. If you are unable to meet this deadline, please contact MD-LOT as soon as possible to discuss the possibility of an extension to the consultation period. If you have no comments to make please submit a "nil return" response.

Please be advised that this consultation request relates to the proposed section 36 consent and marine licence applications.

Yours faithfully,

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