



INVITATION TO ATTEND

PRE-APPLICATION
CONSULTATION EVENTS
ONSHORE INFRASTRUCTURE
JUNE 2023



West of Orkney Windfarm

Offshore Wind Power Limited plans to submit consent applications to construct offshore wind turbines and associated onshore transmission infrastructure for the West of Orkney Windfarm. The proposed windfarm will have the potential to generate around 2GW of renewable energy and is located around 30km west of Orkney and 25km from the north coast of Scotland. The onshore infrastructure will include up to 33km of buried cables and a new substation at or near Spittal.

The key components of the Project are:

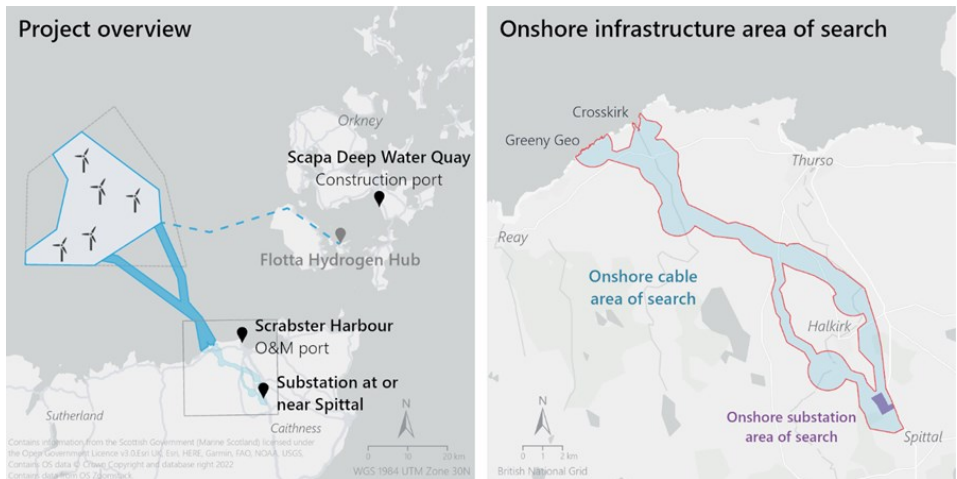
OFFSHORE

- Up to 125 wind turbine generators with fixed turbine foundations
- Up to five offshore substations linked to the wind turbines via inter-array cables
- Up to five export cables to Caithness

ONSHORE

- New substation at or near the existing Spittal substation
- Up to five underground cables from the landfall point to the substation

The plan below identifies the location of the proposed West of Orkney Windfarm and associated offshore and onshore transmission infrastructure:



Community consultation

As part of our mission to deliver a world-leading offshore windfarm, we are keen to communicate openly with communities across the north of Scotland and offer multiple opportunities for us to meet and hear your views. We attended local events such as the Durness Gathering and the Halkirk Games in July 2022. In November, we organised a Project specific consultation event in seven venues across Caithness, Sutherland and Orkney. We subsequently hosted a series of Pre-Application Consultation (PAC) events in three venues in Thurso, Strathly, and Halkirk in May 2023.

We will now be hosting further onshore-specific PAC events in June 2023 to discuss the onshore infrastructure related to the Project, including the associated substation and onshore cable route.

We'd like to encourage as many people as possible to attend one of our local Pre-Application Consultation events, where you will get a chance to meet the development team, ask questions and offer feedback on our proposals.

Thurso

The Pentland Hotel
Tuesday 20th June
3.30pm - 7.30pm

Halkirk

Ross Institute
Wednesday 21st June
3.30pm - 7.30pm

If you are unable to attend our events or would rather not attend, there are several ways you can find out more or provide your feedback. The virtual public exhibition remains open and can be visited via our website. This replicates the information displayed at the most recent events.

You can get in touch by phoning, emailing or writing to us using the contact details overleaf.

We have also developed a short community questionnaire, which is focused on the proposed onshore infrastructure of the Project as another way for you to provide feedback. This can be accessed by scanning the QR code or visiting the website.



What happens next?

We are continuing to prepare our Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) to be submitted with our applications. We plan to submit the applications for the wind turbines and offshore infrastructure in the summer of 2023. Applications for the onshore infrastructure on Caithness will be submitted later in 2023.

Consent applications associated with connecting to the proposed Flotta Hydrogen Hub will be submitted at a later date and will be subject to further consultation.

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Please note

As planning consent applications have not yet been submitted, written comments on the proposals should be made to Offshore Wind Power Ltd (OWPL) by **30th June 2023**.

Please note that comments made to OWPL are not representations to The Highland Council. Representations to The Highland Council can be made when formal planning applications are submitted.

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