

Seagreen Offshore Wind Farm Offshore Electricity Transmission Infrastructure PRE-APPLICATION PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Proposal: Marine Licence application for the construction, operation and decommissioning of the Seagreen 1A offshore export cable to transport electricity from the Seagreen Offshore Wind Farm to landfall at Cockenzie, East Lothian

The Seagreen Offshore Wind Farm in the outer Firth of Forth and Firth of Tay was awarded consent from Scottish Ministers for 150 wind turbines and associated project infrastructure in 2014.

To maximise energy generation and facilitate full export capacity for the Seagreen Project, Seagreen 1A Limited (S1AL) intends to seek a Marine Licence for an additional export cable corridor (approximately 108km) from the consented Seagreen Project Area, to an identified landfall location. This infrastructure comprises the Seagreen 1A Project. National Grid, the national electricity transmission network operator, provided a 360 MW connection offer for the Cockenzie substation in East Lothian. This was accepted by Seagreen in May 2020.

The offshore transmission infrastructure for the Seagreen 1A Project consists of one high voltage export cable to mean high water springs (MHWS), cable landfall and connection to the onshore infrastructure.

A separate planning application will be submitted to East Lothian Council for the onshore electricity transmission infrastructure.

A virtual public exhibition on the proposals will be available online from Monday 11th January 2021 to Monday 1st February 2021 on the project website at www.seagreen1a.com

The virtual public exhibition will include a link to a feedback form where comments and questions on the proposal, as well as any requests for further information, can be submitted directly to the Project Team. Alternatively, you may do so by emailing Seagreen1A@sse.com or by calling 07779 650514.

A live question and answer session on the proposals will take place between 12:00 – 14.30 hrs and 18.00 – 20.30 hrs on Monday 18th January 2021 via a live chat function in the virtual public exhibition.

If you have any questions or comments on the proposals, we request that these be submitted via the feedback form by 5pm on Monday 1st February 2021. Alternatively, you may do so by emailing or calling the Project Team at the above contact details.

Please note that this notice does not relate to a Marine Licence (consent) application and that any comments made on the proposals to S1AL at this stage are not representations to Scottish Ministers. If a consent application is subsequently submitted to Marine Scotland, there will be an opportunity then for representations to be made to the Scottish Ministers on the application.