

Thursday 29th June 2023

Norfolk Offshore Wind Zone



Hello,

Community Benefit Fund: Phase 3 Workshops

In the month of June we started phase 3 of the Community Benefit dialogue by holding a series of themed workshops in towns and villages close to the locations of the Norfolk Zone's onshore infrastructure. Participants focused on topics and ideas previously highlighted as key priorities for your communities during Phase 2, and we began the process of developing some creative climate smart ideas.

We had invited some inspiring guest speakers about their climate smart projects in East Anglia. We are grateful to all of them for taking the time to share their experiences and for sparking some brand new ideas! If you would like to know more about the topics we discussed, you will find the content used for each workshop in the slide packs linked below.

- [Necton Workshop Slide Pack](#)
- [Reepham Workshop Slide Pack](#)
- [North Walsham Workshop Slide Pack](#)
- [Happisburgh Workshop Slide Pack](#)
- [Dereham Workshop Slide Pack](#)
- [Aylsham Workshop Slide Pack](#)

If you would like some more inspiration and more info about the type of initiatives supported by other Vattenfall Community Benefit Funds, you will find a set of case studies in the [Climate Smart Ideas](#) document. If you would like a refresher of the Community Benefit dialogue process you will find a summary of the progress to date in [The Story So Far](#) document on the Norfolk Zone pages of the website.

Developments in the Norfolk Zone

As part of the ongoing detailed design process for Vattenfall's Norfolk projects, it has been determined that under the Norfolk Vanguard Development Consent Order (DCO), each of the two export cable bundles which will connect the offshore wind farm to the shore will need to be separated at an offshore location within the Order limits and pulled through separate ducts. This will ensure the cables do not overheat.

To allow this, we will apply to make a "non-material change" to our Norfolk Vanguard DCO to increase the number of cable ducts at the landfall from two to four. The non-material change will also seek to increase the number of reserve drills from one to two in case of drill failure. These changes to technical specifications aim to optimise performance and would not result in any change to conclusions of the Environmental Impact Assessment and the Habitats Regulations Assessment, as there would be no change in significance of impacts. There will also be no change to the effects on local

people. Once submitted, the application and supporting documents will be published on the [Norfolk Vanguard](#) page of the Planning Inspectorate website and will be determined by the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero.

As always, if you have questions please don't hesitate to get in touch, we greatly appreciate your continued interest in the Norfolk Zone projects.

Best regards,

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Find out more about the Community Benefit Fund

If you would like to know more about the Fund or access the documents and reports from Phases 1, 2 & 3, please visit the Vattenfall website at the link below.

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Can't make the workshops?

If you can't make the workshops but have questions about the Fund or about the wind farm development, please sign up for one of our online chat sessions with the Norfolk project team.

Keep In Touch

For more information please visit the Norfolk Zone [website](#)

Your comments and feedback are always appreciated
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