



Statement on Preservation of Amenity in accordance with Schedule 9 of the Electricity Act 1989 ("Schedule 9 Statement")

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Schedule 9 Statement

Orsted Hornsea Project Three (UK) Ltd. holds an electricity generation licence for distribution of electricity in Great Britain. We have a duty under Schedule 9 of the Electricity Act 1989 (as amended by the Utilities Act 2000) (the "Act") to have regard to the preservation of amenity.

The following statement sets out how we will carry out our duties under paragraphs 1(1) and 1(3) of Schedule 9 of the Electricity Act 1989 (as amended).

Our Requirements

Schedule 9 requires Orsted Hornsea Project Three (UK) Ltd. when formulating any relevant proposals for the construction of our wind power electricity generation and distribution infrastructure, to consider the preservation of natural beauty, conservation of flora, fauna and geological or physiographical features of special interest and protection of sites, buildings and objects of architectural, historic or archaeological interest. It also requires us to take reasonable steps to mitigate the effects of any proposals.

Under Schedule 9, 'relevant proposals' in the case of electricity distribution mean any proposals for the installation, above or below ground, or electricity lines and the execution of any works for or in connection with the transmission or supply of electricity.

This Statement has been prepared following consultation with the Schedule 9 statutory consultees, namely Historic England and Natural England. It deals only with those environmental obligations falling under Schedule 9 of the Act and it will be reviewed annually to ensure this is still valid, or if this needs to be amended recirculated for comment.

Our Commitment

In the planning, construction, maintenance and decommissioning of our wind power electricity generation and distribution infrastructure, we have regard to the desirability of preserving amenities and mitigating the effect of any proposal on:

- The natural beauty of the countryside;
- Flora, fauna and sites of geological, physiographical and special scientific interest;
- All features, buildings, sites and structures of special architectural, archaeological and historic interest including those of local value.

We consult at an early stage with the appropriate planning authorities, nature conservation bodies and interested stakeholders, and when appropriate consult with Historic England and Natural England.

Based on Ørsted's vision and values, we strive to procure, produce, distribute and trade in energy and associated services by focusing on our customers and employees as well as the society and the environment in which we operate. Ørsted incorporates quality, health, safety and the environment in decisions and actions. We strive:

- to motivate, educate and involve our employees in our quality, health, safety and environment work;
- to promote a healthy and safe working environment through prevention of injuries and work-related illnesses;
- to continuously minimise physical resource consumption and environmental impact;
- to prioritise suppliers and business partners that have and practice a similar quality, health, safety and environmental policy;

- to set targets, evaluate results and continuously improve these and be among the best in the industry;
- to ensure compliance with legislation and apply recognised norms and standards; to communicate openly about targets and results relating to quality, health, safety and the environment.

Our Guidelines

Where any operations or proposed projects comprise a relevant proposal, Orsted Hornsea Project Three (UK) Ltd. will observe the following specific guidelines:

1. The Company will seek all relevant consents, permits, approvals and licences necessary from appropriate planning and regulatory authorities and will comply with all required conditions attached to any consents, permits, approvals or licences.
2. Attempt to route onshore underground cables and plan onshore substations in order to minimise disturbance to local people.
3. Avoid or seek to minimise the impact on important wildlife sites, areas of high landscape and heritage value, protected or valued locally, nationally and internationally.
4. Implement additional mitigation measures to protect plants and animals specifically during construction and maintenance activities of our electricity generation and distribution infrastructure.
5. Continue to build upon, through proactive dialogue, our excellent working relationships with the environmental and planning authorities.
6. Additional to our statutory consultation requirements, we will continue to engage in consultative meetings with Historic England and Natural England, and non-governmental organisations and interested parties when appropriate.
7. Produce publicly accessible, up to date information on our projects during development via the web and workshops where appropriate, to ensure interested parties are always able to communicate directly with us.
8. Conduct environmental risk assessment on activities subject to the appropriate legal controls, in order to identify and provide pollution prevention measures.
9. Ensure our staff are familiar with all contemporary environmental legislation applicable to our activities, and monitor changes to the legislation to ensure compliance across our proposals and operational infrastructure.
10. Promote environmental awareness amongst our staff through appropriate training and dissemination of information. We ensure our contractors are aware of the relevant parts of this statement and take steps to ensure compliance with it.