

NATIONAL GRID ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION PLC

EASTERN GREEN LINK 5 (the Project)

PLANNING ACT 2008 – SECTION 48 ‘DUTY TO PUBLICISE’

INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (APPLICATIONS: PRESCRIBED FORMS AND PROCEDURE) REGULATIONS 2009 – REGULATION 4

INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2017 – REGULATION 13

NOTICE OF PUBLICISING A PROPOSED APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER (“DCO”) FOR THE EASTERN GREEN LINK 5 PROJECT

The Application

Notice is hereby given that National Grid Electricity Transmission plc of 1-3 Strand, London, EC2N 5EH (the **Applicant**), is proposing to submit an application to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero under Section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 (**PA 2008**) for development consent (the “Application”) for the Project.

Eastern Green Link 5 (**EGL 5**) is proposed primarily marine a high voltage electricity link between Scotland and England, with a converter station and associated onshore infrastructure, which would provide an additional 2 GW of transmission capacity to the national grid. The Project forms part of the ‘Great Grid Upgrade’, which will facilitate the connection of renewable energy, including up to 50 GW of offshore wind, to the UK’s electricity network. This will provide substantial support to meeting the UK Government’s net-zero ambitions and reduce the country’s dependency on fossil fuels.

On 14 May 2025, the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero issued a direction pursuant to Section 35 of the PA 2008 that confirmed the Project should be treated as a development for which development consent is required.

The Applicant is proposing to submit an application (the **Proposed Application**) for a DCO pursuant to Section 37 of the PA 2008 to authorise construction of the Project. The Proposed Application will seek powers for the Applicant to construct, operate and maintain the Project. It will also cover:

- the temporary and permanent compulsory acquisition of land and/or rights which are required for (or to facilitate or are incidental to) the Project;
- overriding easements and other rights over or affecting the land for the Project;
- the application or disapplication of legislation relevant to the Project; and

- such ancillary, incidental and consequential provisions, permits and consents as are necessary and convenient including deemed marine licence for the Project.

About the Project

The Project will comprise permanent and temporary infrastructure including, but not limited to the following elements:

- a converter station in the East Lindsey area and in the vicinity of the proposed 400 kV Lincolnshire connection substation B (**LCS-B**) which forms part of the Applicant's Grimsby to Walpole Project
- subsea High Voltage Direct Current (**HVDC**) cables. In English waters, EGL 5's cables would be approximately 423 km long
- a transition joint bay to connect the subsea and onshore underground HVDC cables, located onshore near to our proposed cable landfall at Anderby Creek on the Lincolnshire coastline
- onshore underground HVDC cables running together for approximately 8 km from landfall at Anderby Creek to the EGL 5 converter station
- onshore underground High Voltage Alternating Current (**HVAC**) cables up to approximately 1 km that would connect the converter station into the proposed LCS-B

Sufficient land would be required in order to construct and operate EGL 5 and to reduce the potential impacts of the Project, including:

- temporary land for construction activities including work areas for construction equipment and machinery, site offices, welfare, storage, access and drainage
- land required for mitigation, compensation and enhancement of the environment as a result of the environmental assessment process, and for the purposes of delivering biodiversity net gain (BNG), for example by landscaping and planting.

Environmental Impact Assessment

The Project is "EIA development" for the purposes of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (the **EIA Regulations**). The Applicant has notified the Secretary of State in writing under Regulation 8(1)(b) of the **EIA Regulations** that they intend to provide an Environmental Statement (**ES**) as part of the Proposed Application which will contain information about the environmental effects of the Project.

The Applicant is consulting on its Environmental Impact Assessment (**EIA**) development. Information compiled about the Project so far is contained in a Preliminary Environmental Information Report (**PEIR**) and is accompanied by a Non-Technical Summary (**NTS**) of the PEIR.

Consultation materials

The consultation documents that are to be made available on the Project website include:

- Stage 2 Consultation Document, which outlines the proposals for the Project and provides more information on the consultation;
- Location plans and general arrangement plans showing the extent of the Project;
- A feedback form, which provides a structured method for consultees to provide their feedback;
- the Statement of Community Consultation, which sets out how the Applicant will consult local communities during statutory consultation;
- Consultation newsletter: a summary of the Project and consultation details;
- a copy of this notice published pursuant to Section 48 of the PA 2008 and Regulation 13 of the EIA Regulations; and
- the PEIR which details potential environmental effects of the Project, and its Non-Technical Summary.

The consultation materials can be accessed free of charge via the Project website at the following consultation page: nationalgrid.com/eg15.

All consultation materials will be available on the Project website from 12pm noon Friday 29 May 2026 until 11:59pm on Friday 24 July 2026. If you would like a paper copy of the consultation materials, or any other document that has been published in connection with the consultation, please let us know, using the contact details given below. In accordance with this notice, to cover printing and postage costs for larger requests, a reasonable copying charge may apply, to be paid for by the recipient and up-to a maximum value of £300. Alternatively, if you would like a USB containing the documents, please let us know and we will send one free of charge. For any queries relating to accessing documents, plans and maps contacteg15@nationalgrid.com or call 0800 358 4817.

This notice and its contents form part of the consultation process required by the PA 2008, and we would like your feedback. Your comments are important in helping us refine our proposals. The deadline for submitting responses to the consultation is 11:59pm on Friday 24 July 2026.

Local Information Points

Reference paper copies of certain consultation materials will be available to inspect free of charge from Friday 29 May 2026 until Friday 24 July 2026 in the following locations with selected documents available to take away (subject to availability):

Local information point	Address	Opening times
Alford Library and Focal Point	6 South Market Place, Alford, LN13 9AF	Monday: closed Tuesday: 10am to 1pm Wednesday: closed Thursday: closed Friday: 10am to 1pm and 2pm to 5pm Saturday: 10am to 1pm

		Sunday: closed
Ingoldmells Community Library	Skegness Road, Skegness, PE25 1NL	Monday: 10am to 12pm Tuesday: 10am to 12pm Wednesday: 10am to 12pm Thursday: 10am to 12pm Friday: closed Saturday: closed Sunday: closed
Sutton on Sea Library and Community Centre	Broadway, Sutton on Sea, Mablethorpe, Lincolnshire, LN12 2JN	Monday: 10am to 1pm Tuesday: closed Wednesday: 1pm to 4pm Thursday: closed Friday: 10am to 1pm Saturday: 10am to 1pm Sunday: closed
Alford Town Council offices	1st Floor, South Market Place, Alford, Lincolnshire, LN13 9AF	Monday: 9am to 1pm Tuesday: 9am to 1pm Wednesday: 9am to 1pm Thursday: 9am to 1pm Friday: 9am to 1pm Saturday: closed Sunday: closed

Prior to attending these locations, it is advised that opening hours are checked with the venues as opening hours may be subject to change.

Public information events

Printed copies of certain consultation materials, including the PEIR NTS and feedback form, can also be viewed at the public information events which will be held as follows:

Location	Date	Time	Address
Alford Corn Exchange	Saturday 6 June 2026	11am – 4pm	9 Market Place, Alford, LN13 9EB
Anderby Village Hall	Thursday 11 June 2026	2pm – 7pm	Sea Road, Anderby, Skegness, PE24 5YD
Huttoft Village Hall	Saturday 13 June 2026	11am – 4pm	Sutton Road, Alford, LN13 9RG

Huttoft Village Hall	Thursday 18 June 2026	2pm – 7pm	Sutton Road, Alford, LN13 9RG
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Responding to this notice

A feedback form will be available on the Project's website and copies will be available at the consultation events, deposit locations, or can be provided on request from the community relations team, via the contact details below.

Taking part in this consultation

There are several ways to submit feedback on the consultation:

- **By email** to contactegl5@nationalgrid.com
- **In writing** to Freepost EGL 5 (no stamp required)
- **Online feedback form** which can be found on our website nationalgrid.com/egl5.
- **Paper copy feedback form** sent to Freepost EGL 5

In providing their consultation response, consultees should:

- State in writing the nature of the response or representation;
- Indicate who is making the response or representation; and
- Include an address to which correspondence relating to the response can be provided.

Any comments and representations received will be reviewed and taken into consideration by the Applicant and any appointed agent of the Applicant. Copies of comments and representations will be made available in due course to the Secretary of State, the Planning Inspectorate, and other relevant statutory authorities as part of a Consultation Report to be submitted with the Proposed Application and will therefore be made publicly available. However, no personal details will be placed on public record. Personal details will be held securely in accordance with the relevant data protection legislation and will be used solely in connection with the consultation process and the development of the Project and, except as noted above, will not be disclosed to any third parties.

Please note that all comments and representations must be received by the Applicant **by 11:59pm on Friday 24 July 2026** (postal feedback will be accepted until 31 July 2026).

If you have any queries about the Project or the consultation, please get in touch:

Email: contactegl5@nationalgrid.com

Telephone: 0800 358 4817

Freepost: Freepost EGL 5 (no stamp required)