

EDF Renewables and ESB Neart na Gaoithe Offshore Wind Farm Project

Dear resident,

I hope this finds you well during these unprecedented times. I wanted to write to give you a further update on the Neart na Gaoithe (NnG) Offshore Wind Farm.

As you know, NnG construction restarted at the end of May after a short pause due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Health and safety is at the forefront of what we do and I want to assure you that, as well as strictly following the Scottish Government's guidance, the arrangements we have in place are under regular review as we continue to closely monitor the virus.

The onshore construction to connect NnG to the National Grid is under way and we have completed a variety of pre-construction activities on the cable route and at the substation.

You may notice a large vessel out at sea on the wind farm site, this marks a major project milestone as we begin the first phase of offshore construction. The Saipem 7000, a semi-submersible crane vessel, will install the casing for the piles and prepare the seabed in advance of the installation of the foundation jackets.

I have included some further information that gives more detail and as always if you have any concerns please contact me by email: info@nngoffshorewind.com or call 0131 376 0900.

Thank you very much for your patience and continued support.

Matthias Haag

Project Director, NnG

NnG CONSTRUCTION WORK UPDATE

You may have noticed work taking place at various locations along the onshore cable route which starts at Thorntonloch Beach and finishes at Crystal Rig II Onshore Wind Farm in the Lammermuir Hills.

We continue to prepare the offshore wind farm's connection to the national grid which requires onshore and offshore cables to export the green energy created by this 450 megawatt project.

Recently there have been a small number of boats undertaking seabed preparation works near Thorntonloch Beach, to make the site ready to install the export cable.

The S7000 arrived at our offshore site in August and will be visible from much of the Fife and East Lothians coastlines including from Crail, North Berwick and Dunbar.

Some works are more visible than others, and we are doing all we can to minimise any disruption to you. We will keep you up to date with what we are doing during the construction phase through leaflets like this, our website www.nngoffshorewind.com and local media. An Innerwick Residents Forum has been set up to update residents on onshore activity. Discussions from this meeting will also be fed back to East Lammermuir Community Council.





MAP OF WEEKEND ROAD CLOSURES

ONSHORE SUBSTATION CONSTRUCTION WORKS

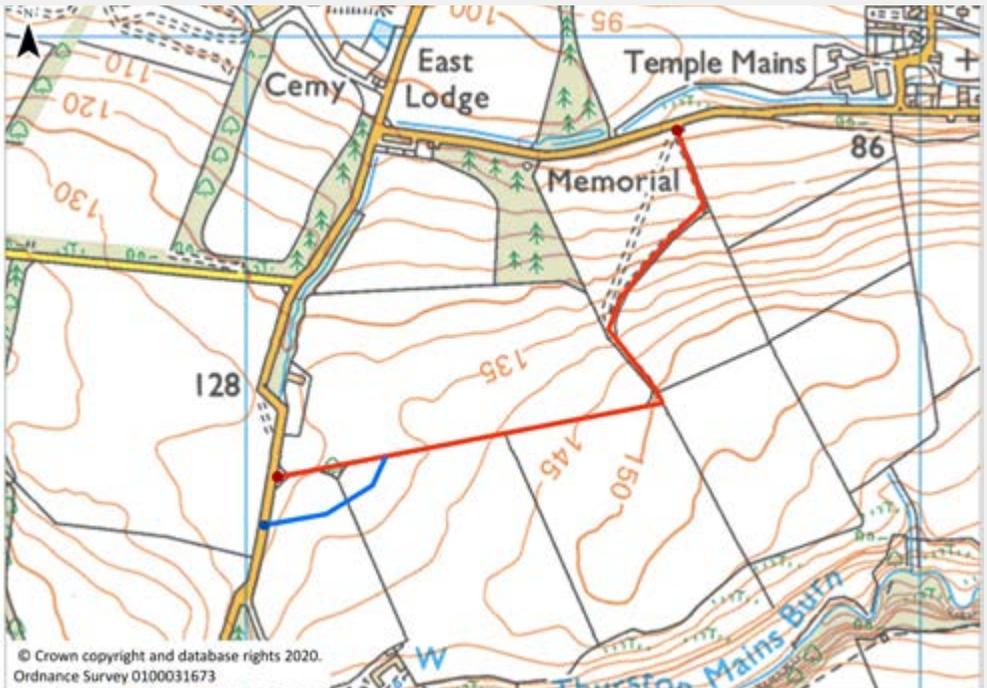
The new substation being built at Crystal Rig II will connect the NnG Offshore Wind Farm to the National Grid.

There will be weekend road closures south west of Innerwick for the next 6-8 weeks. Diversion signs will be in place and pedestrians and cyclists will still have access through the works.

The closures will support a series of road improvements, including junction widening to allow 2-way HGV traffic. More information can be found on www.tellmesotland.gov.uk or www.nngoffshorewind.com

You will continue to notice site traffic, including stone delivery convoys in this area, however the planned satellite car park south west of Innerwick will now only be a small temporary compound to support the road and junction widening works.

There is now an increase of workers on site and to reduce traffic in the surrounding area, we have set up our main satellite car park at the 'Ark' building on Spott Road, Dunbar. Buses will transport workers to and from site in the morning and evening. Times will vary depending on activity at site and daylight but buses are currently leaving Dunbar at 06.45/07.00 and returning between 16.00 and 19.00.



MAP OF ASPIRATIONAL CORE PATH DIVERSION

ONSHORE CABLE ROUTE CONSTRUCTION WORKS

Two underground cables will be installed between Thorntonloch Beach and Crystal Rig II Onshore Wind Farm.

We've set up a compound north of Innerwick to help us prepare for the cable installation works. This will be in place throughout construction.

The fencing is now complete and we continue to work on the cable route drainage installation.

Due to this work, a short diversion, marked in blue, of Aspirational Core Path 324 will be in place and signposted for walkers until construction is complete.

CABLE LANDFALL DRILL WORKS

The onshore and offshore transmission cables will be connected in a field behind Thorntonloch Beach.

We will be using a horizontal directional drill which will pass underneath the beach. This activity could temporarily restrict beach access (including the John Muir Link path) towards the end of 2020. We will provide further details on this in the next few months.