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Neart na Gaoithe Offshore Wind Farm Limited (NnGOWL) have commenced the nearshore marine works associated with the horizontal drill (HDD) campaign at the landfall location of Thorntonloch. The marine works are required to prepare the seabed for installation of the two offshore transmission cables.

In order to facilitate the team of divers, the *Teal of Wick* (ZQXM9) will be stabilised on a mooring spread. The deployment of four mooring points has now been completed at the locations shown in Figure 1. There has also been a slight change in position of the two mooring points deployed on 11th December (3 & 4, Table 1). These moorings will remain deployed throughout the duration of the HDD works for the first export cable.

All vessels are requested to remain at least 500 metres away from the work vessels and static fishing gear is requested to be removed from the exclusion area shown in Figure 1. The nearshore exclusion zone coordinates are found within Notice to Mariners 127, issued on the 25/11/2020.

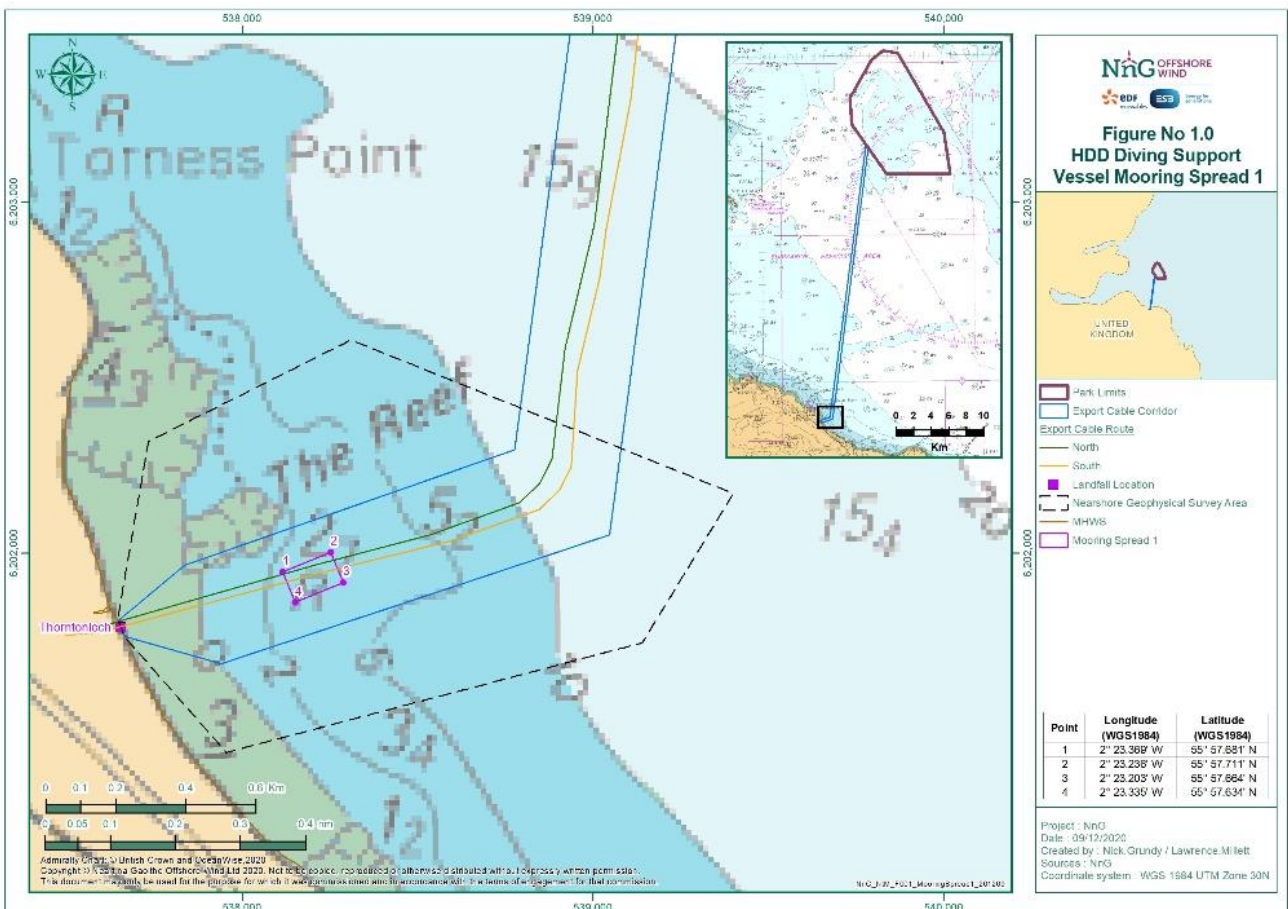


Figure 1 - Teal of Wick Mooring Point Coordinates – HDD Exit Pit

Table 1 – Teal of Wick Mooring Point Coordinates – HDD Exit Pit

Mooring Point	Longitude (DDM)	Latitude (DDM)
1 - NE Mooring	002° 23.203' W	55° 57.664' N
2 - NW Mooring	002° 23.236' W	55° 57.710' N
3 - SE Mooring	002° 23.202' W	55° 57.656' N
4 - SW Mooring	002° 23.306' W	55° 57.626' N

Schedule

The marine works will be undertaken in two phases, one for each cable. The mooring spread for the first phase will be in place from 16th December 2020 and removed by 22nd December 2020, weather permitting. **The Isle of Jura (MFFY6) will assist with the recovery of the nearshore seabed moorings.**

It is currently anticipated that the second phase will take place between mid-February 2021 and mid-March. A subsequent notice to mariners will be issued for the specific mooring points for that phase.

Weather permitting and during daylight hours, construction works will be carried out on a continuous basis (i.e. 12-hour working, seven days a week), unless notified otherwise.

For updates on the progress of the works, information will be provided in the Weekly Notice of Operations available on the NnG project website here <https://nngoffshorewind.com/downloads/>.

Vessels Associated with the Activity

Table 2 – Teal of Wick Vessel Details

Vessel name:	Teal of Wick
Vessel role:	Diving Support Vessel
Call sign:	ZQXM9
Maritime Mobile Service Identity:	235000773
On board contact:	Email: admin@seafastltd.co.uk
Onshore representative:	Contact name: David Wood Email: david.wood@caldive.co.uk



Table 3 - Shuna Vessel Details


Vessel name:	Shuna
Vessel role:	Tug Support Vessel
Call sign:	VQBP3
Maritime Mobile Service Identity:	235007528
On board contact:	Email: admin@seafeastltd.co.uk
Onshore representative:	Contact name: David Wood Email: david.wood@caldive.co.uk
	

Table 4 – Isle of Jura Vessel Details

Vessel name:	Isle of Jura
Vessel role:	Deployment and recovering of mooring spread
Call sign:	MFFY6
Maritime Mobile Service Identity:	232021966
On board contact:	Email: admin@seafeastltd.co.uk
Onshore representative:	Contact name: David Wood Email: david.wood@caldive.co.uk
	

Please be aware that by virtue of its mode of operation and the equipment deployed, all vessels will at times be Restricted in Ability to Manoeuvre as defined under COLREGS (International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea 1972, Rule 3). Masters of vessels are therefore requested to maintain their vessels and gears at a minimum safe distance from these vessels of 500 metres when they are undertaking it work and showing the appropriate shapes and lights.

Marine Coordination Contact Details

The following contact can provide more information if required. Please note that specific queries can also be addressed to the relevant vessel or shore-based representative.

Table 5 - Marine Coordination Contact Details

Telephone number (daytime):	+44 (0) 1890 751415 (use Emergency contact only until further notice)
Emergency contact (24/7):	+44 (0) 7508 421406
Email:	nng.mc@smchse.com
Address:	NnG Offshore Wind Farm Marine Coordination Centre, Gunsreen Basin, Eyemouth, TD14 5SD

Fisheries Liaison

Fisheries liaison associated with the activity will be co-ordinated by Natural Power. For any commercial fishery queries please contact the NnG company Fisheries Liaison Officer (CFLO) Peter Berney, telephone: +44 (0)7391 402387 or email: NnG.FLO@naturalpower.com. An Offshore Fisheries Liaison Officers (OFLO) is present on the *Shuna* and can be contacted via VHF Channel 16.

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