

MarramWind Supplementary Environmental Information

MarramWind Offshore Wind Farm

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Dear Stephanie,

Ref: APP2025/2060 Design refinements and updated visualisations by MarramWind Limited in support of application for Planning Permission in Principle for Onshore Electricity Transmission Infrastructure and Associated Development.

As a follow-up to the productive meeting held between the Applicant and Aberdeenshire Council on 3rd August, and on behalf of MarramWind Limited, I am pleased to submit the enclosed updated planning information in support of the above Planning Permission in Principle application for the proposed Onshore Electricity Transmission Infrastructure and Associated Development.

This submission follows extensive engagement with Aberdeenshire Council Planning Officers and the Council's appointed Landscape Consultant regarding landscape and visual matters raised during the determination of the application.

In response to the matters raised, MarramWind has undertaken a detailed design review to identify opportunities to reduce building height and enhance mitigation whilst maintaining a realistic and deliverable infrastructure solution capable of supporting a 3GW offshore wind project.

As a result of this review, the Project has identified a revised design solution which includes:

- A reduction in the maximum height of the southern HVDC buildings from 30.75m to 23.75m[1];
- Enhanced architectural treatment and façade design;
- Revised building colour palettes intended to reduce visual prominence;
- Additional landscape mitigation; and

[1] As part of the design review, an interim option reducing the building height from 30.75m to 26.75m (Option B) was developed and assessed to understand the landscape and visual benefits of a partial height reduction before progressing to the further reduction incorporated within Option C (23.75m) which has now been confirmed.

- Continued exploration of wider landscape enhancement and off-site planting opportunities.

This submission confirms that the above amendments now form part of the proposed development and PPiP application APP2025/2060.

Given the scale and location of the Project, the retention of both HVAC and HVDC transmission technology options remain necessary. The proposed reduction in maximum building height has been developed following further technical appraisal and is considered to represent the lowest practicable height that can be accommodated whilst preserving project viability, recognising that any further reduction would introduce disproportionate technical and delivery risks.

The enclosed information package documents these refinements and includes updated visualisations and supporting technical information assessing the implications of the revised design from the key viewpoints identified by Aberdeenshire Council. The submitted documents are listed below:

Document ID	**Document Title**
MAR-GEN-PAM-REP-WSP-000012	Technical Addendum
MAR-GEN-HSE-REP-WSP-000062	Revised Outline Landscape and Architectural Strategy

Due to file size restrictions within the ePlanning Portal, it has not been possible to upload the supporting information as a single document. The submission has therefore been divided into a series of separate files, listed below. Collectively, these documents comprise the complete submission and should be read together as a single package.

Document Title	**Document Description**
Revised Outline Landscape and Architectural Strategy	Revised Outline Landscape and Architectural Strategy
Technical Addendum - Part 1	Technical Addendum - Part 1
Technical Addendum - Part 2	Technical Addendum - Part 2 - Zone of Theoretical Visibility
Technical Addendum - Part 3	Technical Addendum - Part 3 - VP3 Existing View and Original Design
Technical Addendum - Part 4	Technical Addendum - Part 4 - VP3 Revised Submission
Technical Addendum - Part 5	Technical Addendum - Part 5 - VP5 Existing View and Original Design
Technical Addendum - Part 6	Technical Addendum - Part 6 - VP5 Revised Submission

Technical Addendum - Part 7	Technical Addendum - Part 7 - VP6 Existing View and Original Design
Technical Addendum - Part 8	Technical Addendum - Part 8 - VP6 Revised Submission
Technical Addendum - Part 9	Technical Addendum - Part 9 - VP7 Existing View and Original Design
Technical Addendum - Part 10	Technical Addendum - Part 10 - VP7 Revised Submission

The enclosed technical information demonstrates that the proposed amendments would not alter the likely significant effects identified in the EIA. However, MarramWind considers that the revised proposals represent a genuine and proportionate response to the matters raised during consultation and demonstrate the practical extent to which building heights can be reduced whilst maintaining project deliverability and future operational flexibility.

During the meeting held on 3rd August, both Aberdeenshire Council officers and the Council's appointed Landscape Consultant acknowledged that the revised proposals represented a significant improvement in landscape and visual terms.

The previously submitted Onshore Planning Statement considered the likely significant effects reported in the EIA Report and concluded that the Project accords with all relevant planning policies and material considerations. The Applicant's previous conclusion provided in Section 6.6 of the Statement that the Project accords with Policy 11(e)(ii) within NPF4, by virtue of the only likely significant landscape and visual effects being localised and design mitigation having been applied, is now materially strengthened by the further proposed design mitigation. This mitigation aligns with relevant design principles within the Council's recently published Planning Advice (PA2026 01) Peterhead Landscape Sensitivity Study – Energy Infrastructure Development, including in terms of minimising the size of buildings, use of landscape screening earthworks and bunding, design of high-quality onshore substation frontages and off-site planting.

We trust that the enclosed information will assist the Council in its determination of the application and further demonstrate the Project's continued commitment to constructive engagement and ongoing design refinement.

We would be grateful if receipt of this submission could be acknowledged and if confirmation could be provided regarding the expected timetable to facilitate determination of the application.

In addition, as previously discussed with Aberdeenshire Council, MarramWind Limited respectfully requests the opportunity to review and comment on any planning conditions proposed as part of any officer recommendation for approval, and any subsequent permission granted, to ensure that

such conditions appropriately reflect the phased nature of the Project and align with the submitted Commitments Register.

Should you require any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



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