

Eastern Green Link 3 (EGL 3) and Eastern Green Link 4 (EGL 4) public consultation on early-stage proposals

We are writing from National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET) to introduce our proposed Eastern Green Link 3 (EGL 3) and Eastern Green Link 4 (EGL 4) projects, which would not be located within your parish, but could be located 1.1km to 5km from your parish. These proposals form part of 'The Great Grid Upgrade', which is the largest overhaul of the grid in generations.

As you may be aware, the way we generate electricity in the UK is rapidly changing. With the UK's targets to achieve Net Zero by 2050, we are transitioning to cleaner home-grown renewable and low carbon energy sources, including the delivery of 50GW of offshore wind by 2030. This means we need to make changes to the network of infrastructure that transports electricity around the country, driving the largest overhaul of the electricity grid in generations, ensuring everyone has access to this cleaner, more affordable energy.

EGL 3 and EGL 4 are two proposed new 2 GW high voltage electricity links between Scotland and England. Both links would be primarily offshore, with associated onshore infrastructure located within the districts of East Lindsey, Boston, South Holland, and King's Lynn and West Norfolk. This onshore infrastructure includes underground cables, converter stations, a direct current switching station and a substation.

We're jointly developing EGL 3 with Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks Transmission (SSEN Transmission) and EGL 4 with ScottishPower Energy Networks (SPEN). SSEN Transmission are responsible for obtaining the relevant consents in Aberdeenshire in Scotland and in Scottish waters, and SPEN for the consents in the East Scotland area and in Scottish waters.

Our Stage 1 (non-statutory) public consultation

Over an eight-week period, from **Tuesday 23 April to Monday 17 June 2024** we are holding our first stage of public consultation, known as a non-statutory consultation, to gather feedback on our early proposals.

During this initial consultation, we hope to engage with as many residents and stakeholders as possible, through in-person consultation events, circulation of a print newsletter, Q&A webinars, 1:1 'ask the expert' sessions, and a dedicated consultation website (nationalgrid.com/egl3andegl4).

Additionally, we will be writing to landowners and occupiers who are potentially

impacted by the projects to arrange access for non-intrusive and intrusive surveys which we plan to carry out from summer 2024. Land referencing firm Ardent will be assisting us with this and have activated dedicated communications channels for any queries landowners may have – egl3and4@ardent-management.com and 0203 693 2500.

EGL 3 and EGL 4 are separate projects to NGET's [Grimsby to Walpole](#) project, which finished its Stage 1 public consultation in March. Where our project areas overlap, we are committed to working together to seek opportunities to reduce the impact on the community.

Our public consultation closes 11:59pm on Monday 17 June 2024. You can provide feedback via email, letter or via online and hardcopy feedback forms.

Consultation and advertising materials

On the day that our consultation commences, we will send you a link to where you can find digital versions of key consultation materials. Please contact us if you would like a hard copy of the materials, or if you require these in different formats such as braille, large print or in another language. Some detailed technical documents may be subject to a printing charge of up to £300.

We would also be grateful if you could advertise the public consultation to your constituents via your networks. To help with this, we will also provide you with a digital poster that you can share.

In the meantime, please do let us know if you have any questions. Our contact details can be found below.

Yours sincerely,

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