

9th November 2022

Mr Malcolm Harris



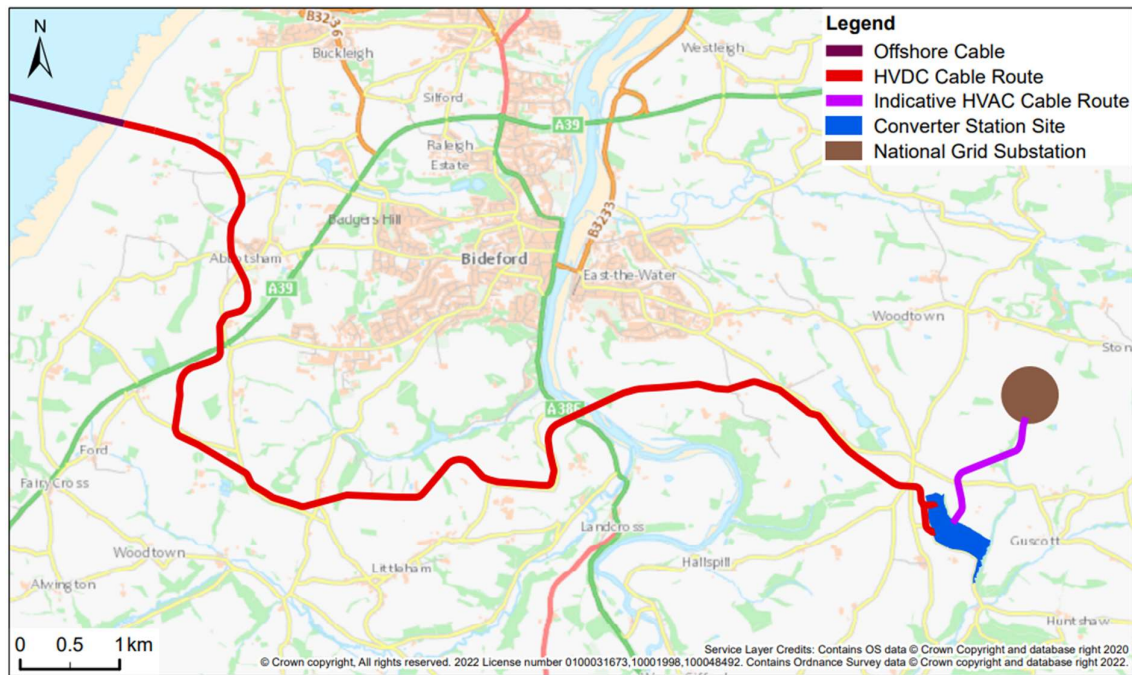
Dear Mr Malcolm Harris,

Xlinks UK Onshore Development

We write to notify you that Xlinks Ltd intends to submit a planning application to Torridge District Council for a renewable energy project in North Devon.

The Xlinks Morocco-UK Power Project will establish a direct electricity connection from Morocco to the UK. The project will deliver 3.6GW of reliable renewable electricity (from solar and wind energy combined with battery storage) to the national grid, representing around 8% of Great Britain's annual electricity needs, enough to provide low cost, clean power to over seven million British homes by the end of the decade.

Indicative Site Location Plan:



The onshore development will seek to gain planning permission for c.14.7km of underground High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) cabling, from landfall at Comborough to a new converter station site to the southwest of the existing national grid substation located between Gammaton and Alverdiscott. Connection to the national grid substation

via underground High Voltage Alternating Current (HVAC) cables does not form part of this planning application.

As a near-constant supply, averaging twenty hours a day, the project delivers reliable renewable power, free from the environmental and weather constraints holding back the continued expansion of UK-based generation. As such, the project has the scale and ambition to make a real, positive contribution to securing the UK's renewable energy future.

We intend to submit a planning application early next year and are holding Public Information Days to share information about our plans and seek feedback from stakeholders and the local community. These are drop-in events and are being held on:

Wednesday 23rd November 2022 from 12.30pm to 8.00pm

Huntshaw Parish Hall, Huntshaw, Devon, EX38 7HH

Thursday 24th November 2022 from 12.30pm to 8.00pm

Caddsdow Business Support Centre, Caddsdow Industrial Park, Clovelly Road, Bideford, Devon, EX39 3DX

The consultation will be open for 21 days commencing on **Wednesday 23rd November 2022** with the deadline for comments being **Tuesday 13th December 2022**. From commencement of public consultation wider project information and all materials being exhibited at the Public Information Days will be made available on the project website at www.xlinks.co/devon.

You can also send us your feedback via any of the channels listed below:

Feedback form – available at the Public Information Days and online at www.xlinks.co/devon. We will also post hard copies upon request

Email – hello@xlinks.co

Post – Xlinks Ltd, Kingfisher House, 1 Radford Way, Billericay, CM12 0EQ

Phone – 01271 268830

Should this be of interest, we would be pleased to discuss this project further with you via telephone, video call or in person. Please let us know via the contact details at the foot of this letter.

Yours sincerely



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