



WORKING ON BEHALF OF DONG ENERGY ON THE GUNFLEET SANDS DEMONSTRATION PROJECT

## KEEPING DISTURBANCE TO A MINIMUM WHILST CARRYING OUT WORKS IN YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD

## Dear Resident

We are writing to inform you that we will shortly be carrying out work within a section of beach leading from Lion's Point at Jaywick towards the eastern boundary of the Clacton-on-Sea golf course, where we will be welding sections of HDPE pipe duct together.

This work is part of the overall construction programme for the two new offshore demonstration wind turbines which will be installed to the west of the existing Gunfleet Sands offshore wind farm.

The cable duct will be welded together from 12m sections to form a continuous welded pipe in the region of 800 metres long. The duct is used for the safe and efficient installation of the cable under the beach. The underground cable will then connect from the offshore turbines to the onshore substation off Park Road. Electricity generated by the offshore turbines will be fed into the local electricity grid.

It is necessary to weld the cable duct into one single piece on the beach, it will then be pulled out to sea by vessels and installed underground by our specialist Horizontal Directional Drilling team, this will be carried out from the Martello Bay Coach and Car Park.

There will be plant and machinery movement commencing from the 28th August 2012, which will be kept to a minimum once the welding station is in place. It is envisaged that the pipe welding works will last for approximately 2 weeks.

During this period, access to this section of the beach, as indicated in the map overleaf (in green and red) will be restricted for health & safety reasons.

The site will be protected at all times by appropriate fencing controls and security will be placed on site outside working hours.

This work is being carried out by VolkerInfra, who have obtained the necessary licenses and permissions from the relevant statutory organisations.

If you would like further information once the day-to-day construction works have started please use the **24 hour VolkerInfra Freephone number 0800 169 6150** (all calls are recorded).

We hope that the above approach will keep any disruption to a minimum, however we would still like to apologise in advance for any inconvenience that these essential works may cause.





Alternatively please contact Sillson Communications, working on behalf of DONG Energy as its community liaison contact point using the details below, who are more than happy to discuss any concerns or queries you may have.

To contact DONG Energy directly please use the details below.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you in advance for your co-operation.

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