

Peterhead Community Invited to Salamander Floating Offshore Windfarm Events

A series of public consultations are set to be held by the Salamander floating offshore wind project next week (7th/8th June).

Salamander is a joint venture between Ørsted, Simply Blue Group, and Subsea7 and the team is inviting the local community to share their thoughts on the project, which will support the local supply chain and create jobs.

Salamander, to be developed 35 kilometres off the coast of Peterhead, will generate enough green energy to power 100,000 Scottish homes. The joint venture aims to begin construction in 2026.

The project is a stepping-stone to the large-scale floating offshore wind projects coming to Scotland in the near future. It has been designed to give Scottish companies the opportunity to roll out new technologies at a smaller scale, as they prepare to expand their operations. This means local companies will be best placed to compete for contracts and create sustainable, long-term jobs.

Salamander will also help deliver the Scottish Government's target of 11GW of offshore wind by 2030 and the UK government's target of 5GW of operational floating offshore wind by the same date.

Huw Bell, project director for Salamander said: "Salamander presents an exciting opportunity for the Scottish energy sector and will serve a crucial role in the progression towards our decarbonisation goals.

"We're holding these consultation events so that local residents can learn more about this innovative development taking place on their doorsteps and be proud to be part of it. We also want to hear any ideas or concerns from the community so that we can take these into account at an early stage."

The in-person consultation events will take place from 2pm – 8pm on Wednesday, 7 June at Balmoor Stadium, Peterhead, and from 10am to 2pm on Thursday, 8 June at Crimond Public Hall. Each event will give people the opportunity to speak with the project team to find out more.

The consultation will also be open virtually via the Salamander website between Monday, 5 June and Friday, 23 June.

The virtual and in-person public exhibitions will give the public an opportunity to complete a feedback form where comments and questions on the proposal, as well as any requests for further information, can be submitted directly to the project team.

Further information concerning the proposed floating offshore wind farm can be found at: www.salamanderfloatingwind.com

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