

Consultation Response Form

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| <u>Organisation (if applicable)</u> | <u>Marine Energy Wales</u> |

1. NDF Outcomes (chapter 3)

The NDF has proposed 11 Outcomes as an ambition of where we want to be in 20 years' time.

- Overall, to what extent do you agree or disagree the 11 Outcomes are a realistic vision for the NDF?

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- To what extent do you agree with the 11 Outcomes as ambitions for the NDF?

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- If you disagree with any of the 11 Outcomes, please tell us why:

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2. Spatial Strategy (policies 1 - 4)

The NDF **spatial strategy** is a guiding framework for where large-scale change and nationally important developments will be focused over the next 20 years.

- To what extent do you agree or disagree with the spatial strategy and key principles for development in...

| | Strongly agree | Agree | Neither agree nor disagree | Disagree | Strongly disagree | <i>Don't know</i> | <i>No opinion</i> |
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| Urban areas (Policies 1, 2 & 3) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Rural areas (Policy 4) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

- If you have any comments on the spatial strategy or key principles for development in urban and rural areas, please tell us:

3. Affordable Housing (policy 5)

The NDF sets out the approach for providing affordable housing, encouraging local authorities, social landlords, and small and medium-sized construction and building enterprises to build more homes.

- To what extent do you agree or disagree with the approach to increasing affordable housing?

| Strongly agree | Agree | Neither agree nor disagree | Disagree | Strongly disagree | <i>Don't know</i> | <i>No opinion</i> |
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- If you disagree, in what other ways can the NDF approach the delivery of affordable housing?

4. Mobile Action Zones (policy 6)

- To what extent do you agree or disagree the identification of mobile action zones will be effective in encouraging better mobile coverage?

| Strongly agree | Agree | Neither agree nor disagree | Disagree | Strongly disagree | <i>Don't know</i> | <i>No opinion</i> |
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- If you disagree, in what other ways can the NDF improve mobile phone coverage in the areas which currently have limited access?

5. Low Emission Vehicles (policy 7)

- To what extent do you agree or disagree that policy 7 will enable and encourage the roll-out of charging infrastructure for ultra-low emission vehicles?

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- If you disagree, in what other ways can the NDF enable and encourage the roll-out of charging infrastructure for ultra-low emission vehicles?

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6. Green Infrastructure (policies 8 & 9)

- To what extent do you agree or disagree with the approach to maintaining and enhancing biodiversity and ecological networks?

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7. Renewable Energy and District Heat Networks (policies 10-15)

- To what extent do you agree or disagree with the NDF's policies to lower carbon emissions in Wales using...

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- If you disagree with the NDF's approaches to green infrastructure, renewable energy or district heat networks, what alternative approaches should we consider to help Wales to enhance its biodiversity and transition to a low carbon economy?

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8. The Regions (policy 16)

- To what extent do you agree or disagree with the principle of developing Strategic Development Plans prepared at a regional scale?

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11. South East Wales (policies 27-33)

In South East Wales we are proposing to enhance Cardiff's role as the capital and secure more sustainable growth in Newport and the Valleys. A green belt around Newport and eastern parts of the region will support the spatial strategy and focus development on existing cities and towns. Transport Orientated Development, using locations benefitting from mainline railway and Metro stations, will shape the approach to development across the region. There is support for the growth and development of Cardiff Airport.

- To what extent do you agree or disagree with the proposed policies and approach for the South East Region?

| Strongly agree | Agree | Neither agree nor disagree | Disagree | Strongly disagree | <i>Don't know</i> | <i>No opinion</i> |
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If you have any comments about the NDF's approach or policies to the three regions, please tell us. If you have any alternatives, please explain them and tell us why you think they would be better.

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12. Integrated Sustainability Appraisal

As part of the consultation process, an Integrated Sustainability Appraisal (ISA) was conducted to assess the social, economic and environmental impacts of a plan. The report identified a number of monitoring indicators, including health, equalities, Welsh language, the impact on rural communities, children's rights, climate change and economic development.

- Do you have any comments on the findings of the Integrated Sustainability Appraisal Report? Please outline any further alternative monitoring indicators you consider would strengthen the ISA.

13. Habitats Regulations Assessment

As part of the development of the NDF, a Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) was undertaken. The purpose of the HRA process is to identify, assess and address any 'significant effects' of the plan on sites such as Special Areas of Conservation and Special Protection Areas for birds.

- Do you have any comments on the Habitats Regulations Assessment report?

With the catastrophic impact of climate change on species and diversity becoming clearer are Habs Regs now fit for purpose?

14. Welsh Language

We would like to know your views on the effects that the NDF would have on the Welsh language, specifically on opportunities for people to use Welsh and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than English.

- What effects do you think there would be? How could positive effects be increased, or negative effects be mitigated?

Please also explain how you believe the proposed NDF could be formulated or changed so as to have:

- I. positive effects or increased positive effects on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language, and
- II. no adverse effects on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language.

15. Further comments

- Are there any further comments that you would like to make on the NDF, or any alternative proposals you feel we should consider?

We note the 11 priority areas for onshore wind and solar and the corresponding commitment from Welsh Government to use its policy levers to assist in the delivery of renewable energy projects in these areas. It is also noted that the draft WNMP includes some progressive and supportive policies for wave and tidal energy and has an aspiration to improve spatial specificity in future planning for these sectors. It is important to ensure that there is adequate and proactive connectivity and alignment of policies in the Wales Marine Plan and the NDF to ensure that they are complementary and consistent in their overall vision and policy. This is of particular importance in delivering Welsh Government's ambitions with regard to sustainable development of marine renewable energy.

Any measures through marine and terrestrial planning towards spatial specificity need to be aligned. Such alignment would ensure that key land-based measures to support the marine energy sector could be identified at a national, regional or local scale, and targeted to align with, and support, areas or zones of sectoral potential. Further, alignment would ensure that options for land-based measures to support growth in the marine energy sector are appropriate to the location. This might include grid reinforcement, provision of energy storage, smart grid or Active Network Management (ANM) for on- and offshore renewables, or measures to align marine energy production with sources of local demand, such as new housing or land-based industrial development and vice versa. A cohesive consideration of this is currently lacking in the NDF and there is a perceived risk to the marine energy sector that in future such efforts in Wales will be focused around the 11 priority areas identified in the NDF.

16. Are you...?

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| Providing your own personal response | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Submitting a response on behalf of an organisation | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

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| Responses to the consultation will be shared with the National Assembly for Wales and are likely to be made public, on the internet or in a report. If you would prefer your response to remain anonymous, please tick here | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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