

31 August 2023

Dear Resident,

HVDC Cable Burial – Weisdale Voe Landfall

Following on from our activity earlier in the year, there is a requirement to complete the cable burial at the shore in Weisdale Voe.

These works are planned to ensure minimal impact on the local area, the landscape and the community. So far, our works have been planned and carried out in line with standard working hours which are Monday to Friday 7am to 7pm, Saturday 8am to 6pm.

The next phase of works, which is the cable burial, will be carried out using a spudding workboat (<25m long) and divers will be working 12-hours a day, 7 days a week (approximately).

The work is currently scheduled to take place from the 11th September 2023, for approximately 21 days. The vessel will not require moorings to the beach and access via the beach and the Cott Road is not required to support this activity.

All efforts will be made to minimise any disruption to the local community from either noise or light pollution. Throughout the works the noise levels will be constantly monitored and should noise levels reach unacceptable levels then work will be suspended. Mitigations are also in place to protect the environment, both land and sea, and will be constantly monitored throughout the works. The sub-contractor has been made aware of previous requests to minimise lighting when the vessel is left on-station overnight and has assured us they will comply.

Should you have any questions, or should any issues arise either in advance of, or during works please do not hesitate to contact the Community Liaison Manager, Thea Groat on details below.

Yours sincerely,

Thea Groat

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