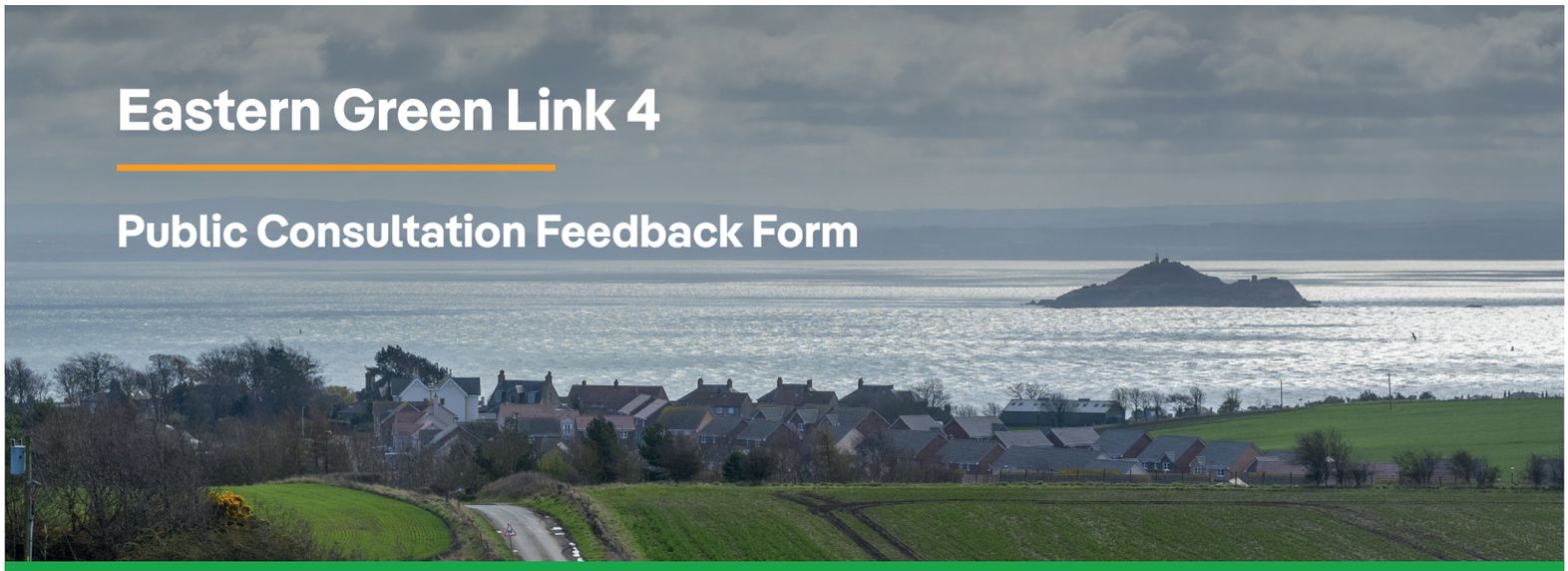
SP Energy Networks

Eastern Green Link 4

Public Consultation Feedback Form



The last day for submitting feedback is Friday 06 June 2025.

Scotland is producing more clean, green energy than ever before, and we need to strengthen the transmission network so we can get it to the homes, schools and businesses that need it. One of the ways we increase capacity is by building new infrastructure to transmit more electricity securely and reliably.

Eastern Green Link 4 (EGL4) is a new High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) electrical link that will connect Fife in Scotland with Norfolk in England.

The EGL4 project will play a key role in the fight against climate change, and the UK's transition to Net Zero. It is one of many new transmission upgrades that are planned across the UK.

This is our second round of public consultation. Your views will help us refine our plans before we apply for planning permission.

About You

*Please provide the information requested below. Fields marked with an * are compulsory.*

Title: ..... First name:* .....

Surname:* .....

Are you responding on behalf of an organisation: ❑ Yes ❑ No

If yes, which one: .....

Address:* .....

Postcode:* ..... Telephone: .....

Email (if you would like to receive project updates): .....

Did you attend one of our public exhibitions? ❑ Auchtertool ❑ Ballingry ❑ Kinghorn ❑ Did not attend

Keeping your details safe

SP Energy Networks is committed to respecting your privacy and will comply with all applicable data protection and privacy laws. We're consulting you to get your views on our plans for Eastern Green Link 4, so we may need to share your information with certain other bodies for the purposes of the consultation and for creating reports. These are: other ScottishPower Group companies; third party service providers, contractors or advisors who provide services to us; and relevant planning authorities.

More information

More information about the project and the consultation process can be found in the project leaflet and on the consultation website **www.spenergynetworks.co.uk/pages/eastern_green_link_4.aspx**

Have your say

You can submit your comments in a number of ways

1. Complete this feedback form and return it to us by post for free (just put it in an envelope and write **FREEPOST SPEN EGL4** on the envelope in a single line. Nothing else is needed); or
2. Complete the online version of the form on our website **www.spenergynetworks.co.uk/pages/eastern_green_link_4.aspx**
3. Email us your comments at **egl4@communityrelations.co.uk**; or
4. Call us free of charge on FREEPHONE: **0800 021 7890**

What we are consulting on

This is our second public consultation on the project. In this consultation, we'd like to know:

- Your views on our plans for the converter station;
- Your views on our proposed underground cable route;
- Your views on our proposed landfall site;
- Your views on our proposed marine cable route;
- Any other factors you would like us to consider. We would particularly like to hear your views on your local area e.g. areas you use for recreation, local environmental features you would like us to consider, any community initiatives you would like us to know about, and any plans you may have to build anything along the route.

Q1. Westfield converter station

We need to build a new converter station close to the existing substation at Westfield, so that Alternating Current (AC) electricity from the transmission network can be converted to HVDC for safe onward transmission via the underground and subsea cables.

The converter station will be approximately 250m x 350m in size, with large warehouse-type buildings up to 28.5m high, and outside electrical equipment, temporary construction and parking areas, and underground cables to connect the converter station to the existing substation. Our plans will include landscaping and tree-planting to help screen the site, reduce its visual effects and increase biodiversity.

Do you have any comments on our proposals for the converter station?

Q2. Underground cable route

Bringing the cables ashore at Kinghorn allows a shorter onshore cable route to Westfield (around 16.4km from Kinghorn compared to around 29km from Largo Bay) and avoids centres of population, thereby minimising disturbance to local communities.

Following last year's public consultation, we have developed a detailed route alignment for the underground cables within the preferred route corridor, including locations for construction compounds and access routes for construction vehicles. The route includes the cable trench, topsoil storage bunds, haul road and drainage.

Do you have any comments on our proposed underground cable route?

Q3. Kinghorn landfall site

Our proposed landfall site, where the subsea cables come ashore and join on to the underground cables, is near Kinghorn. We selected Kinghorn as the landfall site after careful appraisal of a number of potential options along the Fife coast, including at Largo Bay and Buckhaven. The subsea cables will be installed at the landfall site below ground using Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) to minimise any impact on the sensitive coastal environment and protected sites, and avoiding disturbance to the seal haul-out area to the north.

Please let us have any comments you may have about our proposed landfall site.

Q4. Marine cable route

We are consulting with marine users, including fisheries and shipping organisations, about our preferred subsea cable route, but please let us know if you have any comments you would like us to take into account.

Q5. How did you find out about the project and the consultation?

❑ Advert ❑ Leaflet ❑ Website ❑ Media coverage ❑ Social media ❑ Word of mouth

❑ Other, please specify: .....

Q6. Do you have any comments about our public consultation?

Q7. Are there any other comments you would like to make; for example, your priorities for community benefit projects?

Thank you

Please return the completed form to us by **no later than Friday 06 June 2025**.

You can post your completed form to **FREEPOST SPEN EGL4**, or comment online at our project website **www.spenergynetworks.co.uk/pages/eastern_green_link_4.aspx**

SP Energy Networks will be applying to Fife Council for planning permission in principle (PiP) under the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 for the proposed converter station, and full planning permission for the DC underground cable from the Mean Low Water Springs (MLWS) at the landfall site to the converter station and for the AC underground cable from the converter station to Westfield Substation. We will apply to the Scottish Government Marine Directorate Licensing Operations Team (MD-LOT) for a licence to install the marine cables.

At this stage, your comments are not representations to the planning authority or MD-LOT. When we make an application for development consent in the future, you will be able to make formal representations at that stage.