A new approach to leasing

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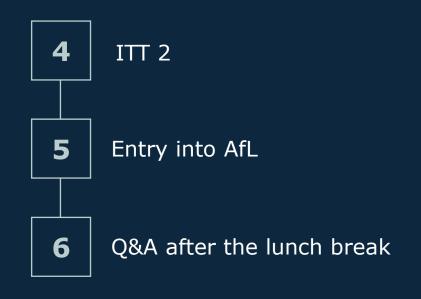
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Agenda



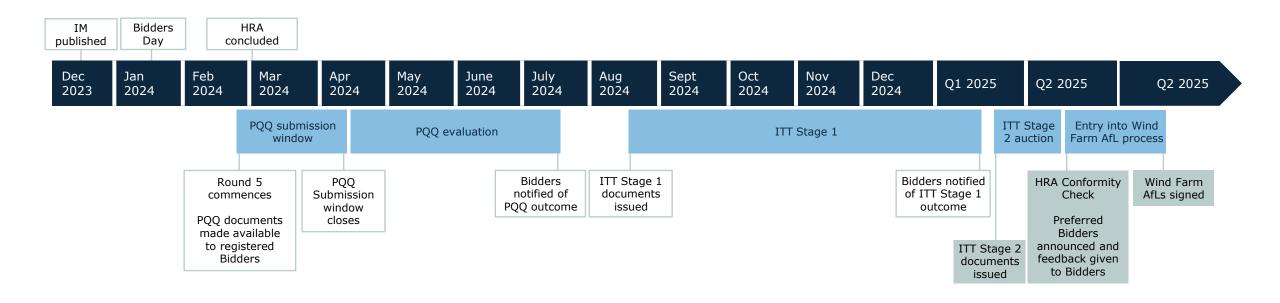




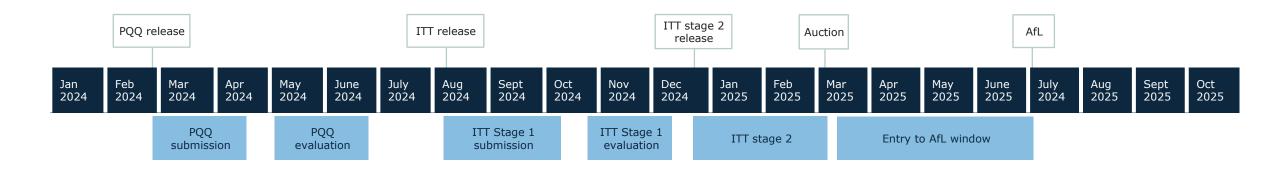
Structure of the Leasing Process

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R5 timeline published in Information Memorandum

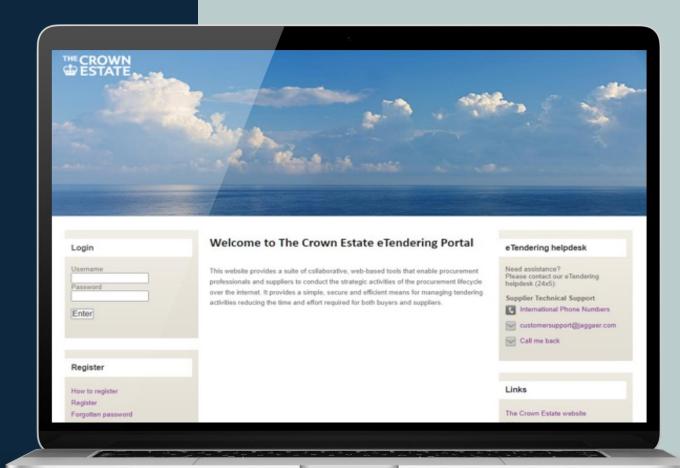


R5 timeline – new Baseline

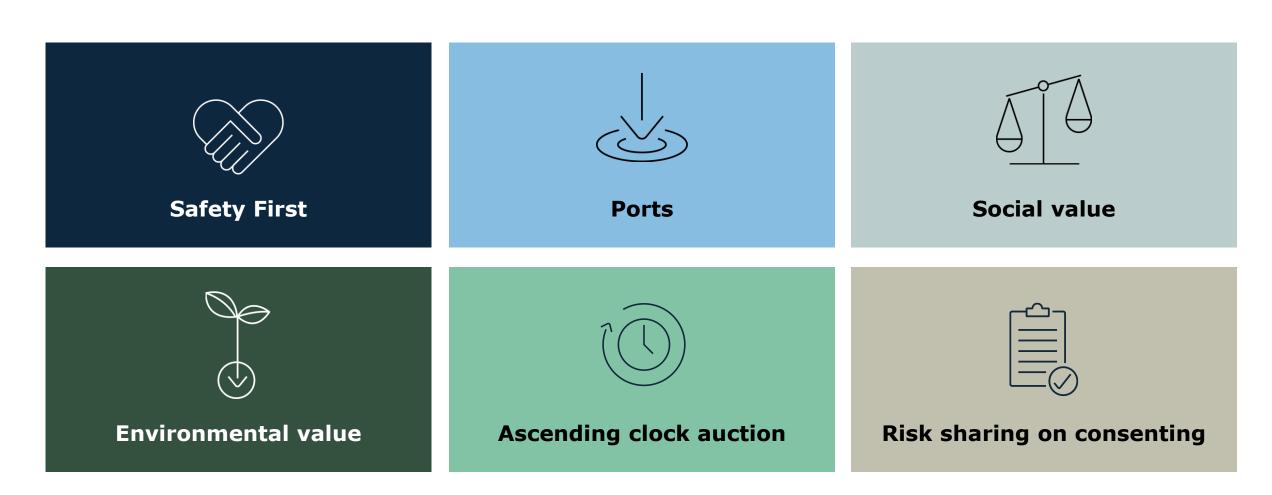


The Crown Estate tender portal

- Only means to participate in Round 5
- Live now only for Expressions of Interest
- Non-binding but helps planning



Key features of R5 Leasing



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Part 1: PQQ

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PQQ overview

Expected late February

Three key components:

Legal Technical Financial

PQQ submission window of 7 weeks

Communications to be managed via the Portal



Bidder entities

- Bids welcome from Sole Bidders and Consortia
- Consortia should be:
 - Formed by time of PQQ response submission
 - Incorporated in time for entry into AfL
- Membership of multiple Consortia not permitted
- AfLs will be entered into with a Project Company owned by Sole Bidder/Consortium



Legal elements

Mandatory and discretionary exclusion criteria:

- Bribery and fraud
- Tax compliance
- Money laundering
- Other serious professional misconduct

Red flag feedback:



Heads of Terms of:

- Preferred Bidder Letter
- AfL and Lease (Wind Farm and Transmission Asset)

Shared at PQQ stage

Opportunity for Bidders to provide "red flag" feedback or comments



HSE policies

HSE enforcement action

Offshore development project management

Offshore construction management or delivery

Planning consent

Financial evaluation criteria

Based on your three most recent sets of audited financial statements.

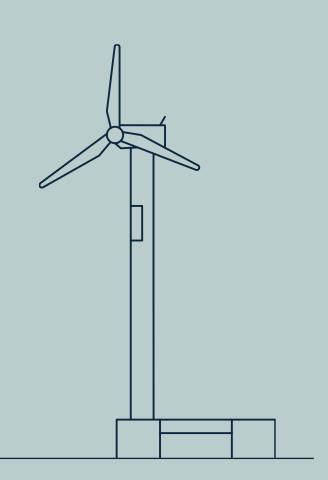
Five tender parameters will be evaluated:

01 Revenue ratio **02**Operating profit margin

03Interest cover ratio

04Current ratio

05Net assets balance





Bidders can rely on a Guarantor to satisfy PQQ financial criteria

Guarantor must have direct or indirect equity shareholding of at least 10%

Signed Guarantor's letter of support required



Evaluated based on aggregated financial information

Weighted according to member's/guarantor's proposed contribution

Members do not need individually to pass the financial tender parameters

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Part 2: ITT 1

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ITT Stage 1 overview

Expected August 2024

Three key components:

Bidder undertaking Technical questions Maximum Level of Cash (MLOC)

ITT1 submission window of approximately 7 weeks

Communications to be managed via the Portal





HSE management

Consenting & stakeholder engagement

Engineering risk

Schedule and organisational structure

Design envelope

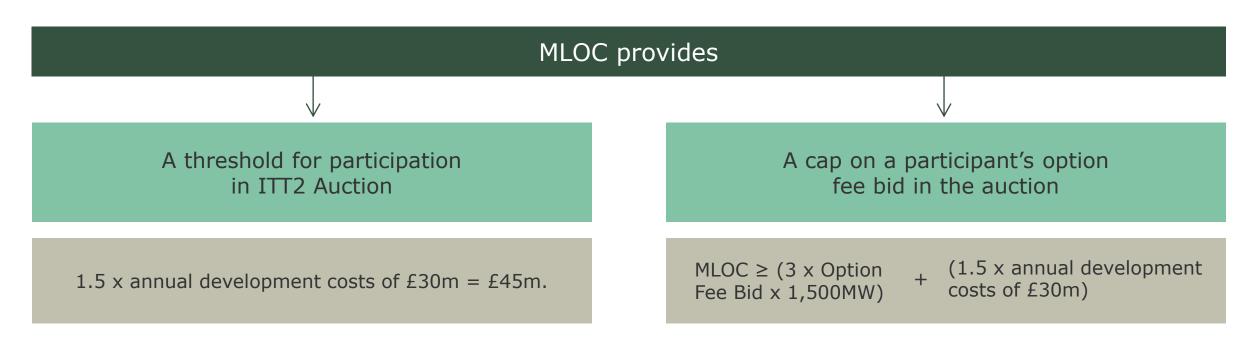
Social value

Ports

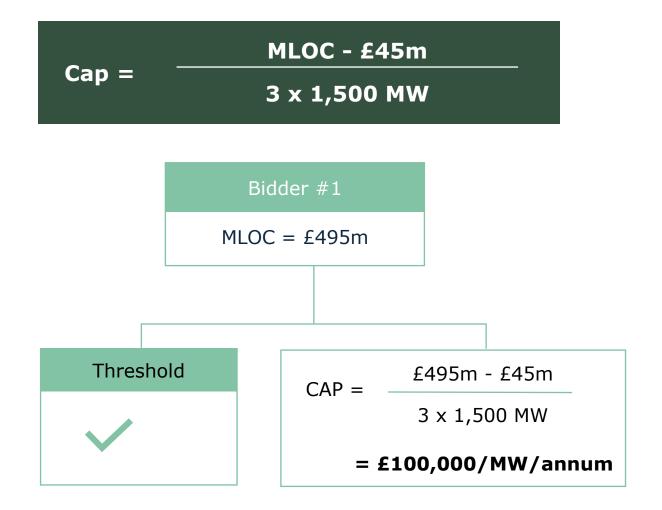
Development Plan

Financial: Maximum Level of Cash (MLOC)

MLOC ensures a Bidder is able to meet the minimum expected future financial commitments required for a Round 5 Development



MLOC Scenario



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Part 3: ITT 2

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ITT Stage 2 Overview

Ahead of the auction Bidders must execute a Preferred Bidder Letter (PBL)

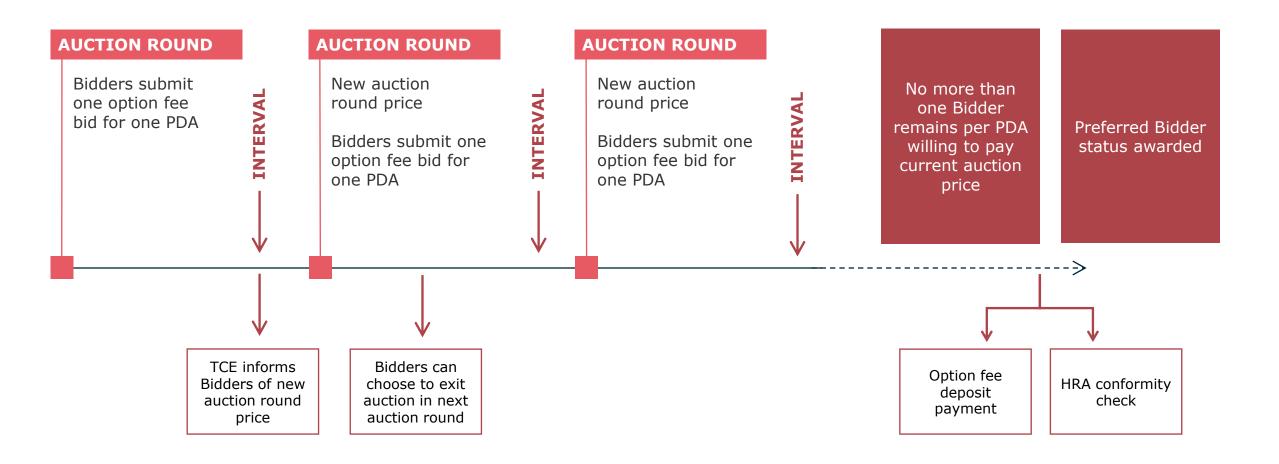
Ascending clock auction will determine a single preferred bidder for each PDA

Auction stops when we have a single and different preferred bidder for each site

HRA conformity check and option fee deposit

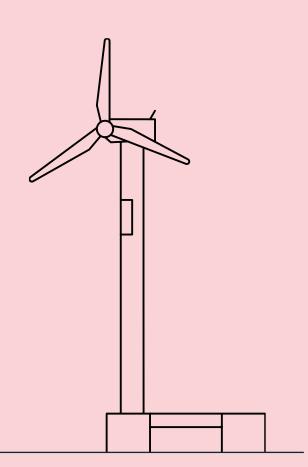


Auction



Concluding ITT Stage 2

- Before entering into PBL we will undertake the HRA conformity check
- Ensures obligations enshrined in the Round 5 legal agreements align with the outcomes of the Plan-Level HRA
- Once the HRA conformity check satisfactorily complete, the entry to AfL process concluded and developers will commence project specific environmental assessments



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Part 4: Entry into Agreement for Lease (AfL)

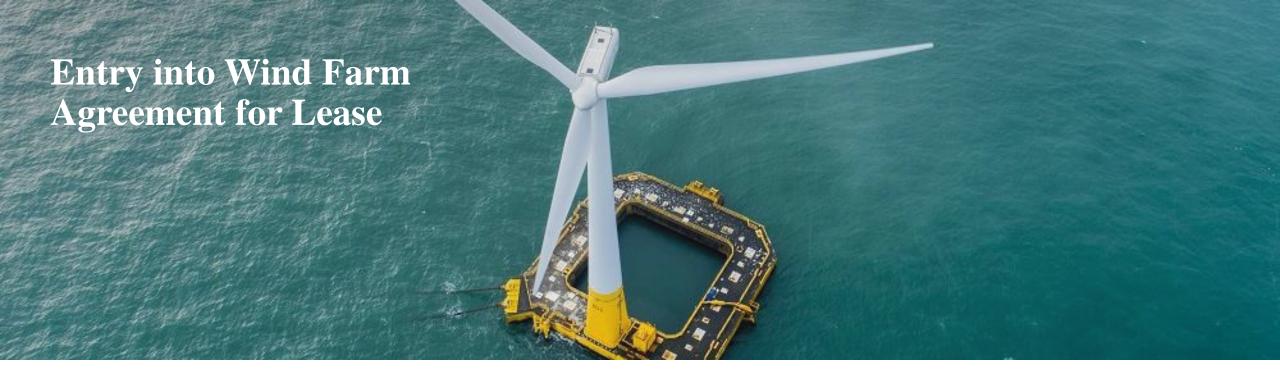
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Key Legal Agreements



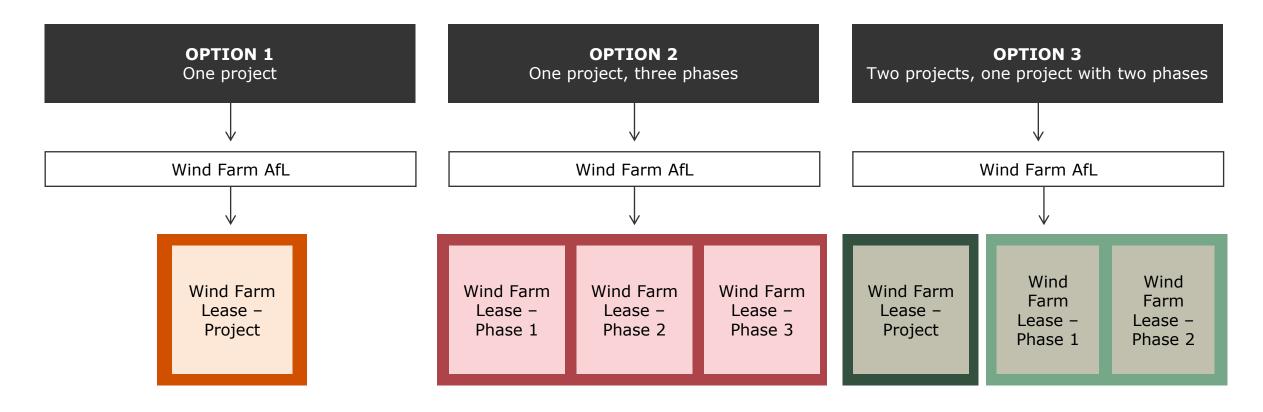


One Wind Farm Agreement for Lease for each PDA

Ports and social value commitments are contractualised

Commitment to provide a Positive Environmental Plan

Wind Farm Agreements Project and phase flexibility



Option Period Timeline and Option Fees

