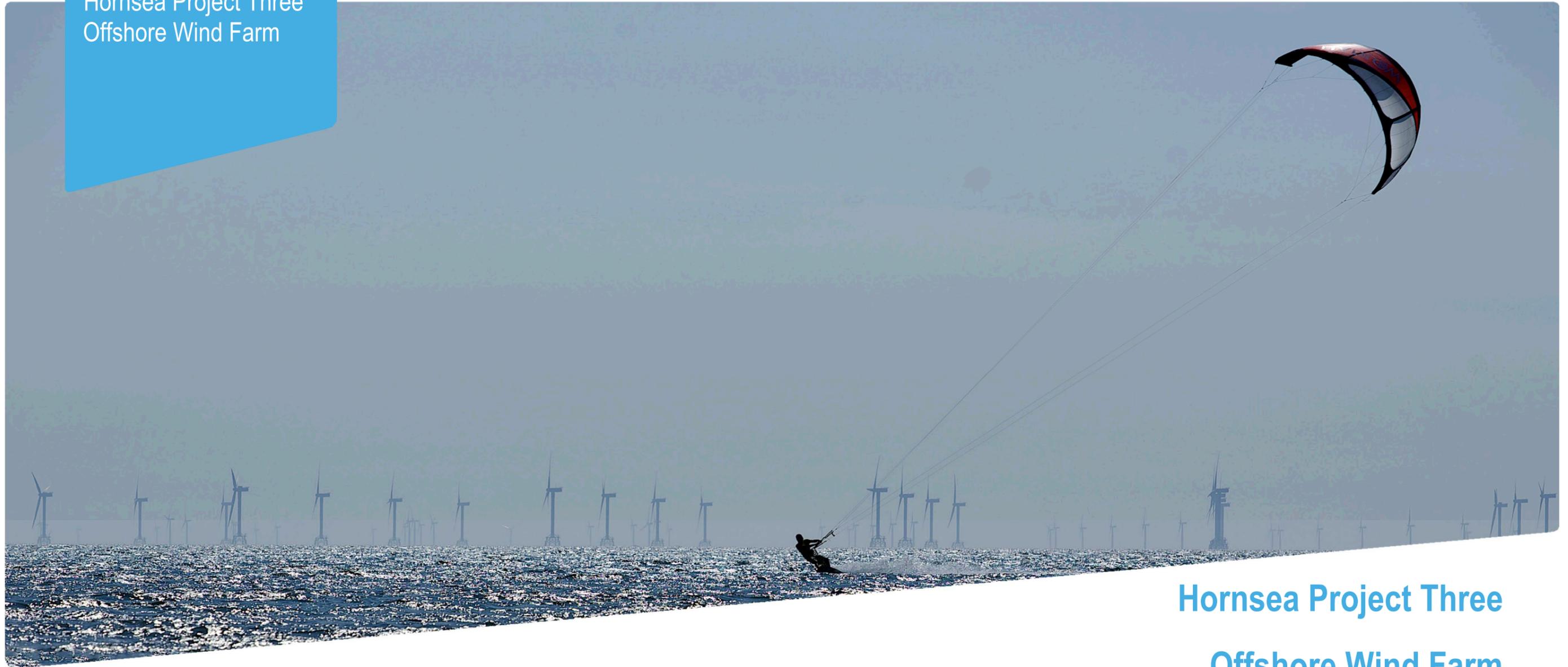


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## 1. Analysis of displacement impacts on seabirds

### 1.1 Introduction

- 1.1.1.1 The presence of wind turbines has the potential to directly disturb and displace birds from within and around Hornsea Three. This in effect represents indirect habitat loss which would reduce the area available for feeding, loafing and moulting for seabird species that may occur at Hornsea Three.
- 1.1.1.2 This Annex presents data to inform assessments presented in Volume 2, Chapter 5: Offshore Ornithology which determine the significance of displacement impacts. The analyses presented in this Annex have been informed by recent guidance published jointly by the UK Statutory Nature Conservation Bodies (SNCBs)<sup>1</sup> (JNCC *et al.*, 2017).
- 1.1.1.3 Only displacement impacts associated with the wind farm array area are considered in this Annex. For disturbance/displacement impacts associated with the export cable, including those on red-throated diver, common scoter and Sandwich tern, see Volume 2, Chapter 5: Offshore Ornithology.

### 1.2 Background

- 1.2.1.1 Many groups of seabirds exhibit species-specific behavioural responses to operational offshore wind farms. These responses generally constitute an avoidance reaction in response to rotating turbines or vessel movements. Such a response can result in indirect habitat loss as species avoid areas in which operational wind farms are present (Maclean *et al.*, 2009; Langston, 2010). The vulnerability of the Valued Ornithological Receptors (VORs) identified in Annex 5.1: Baseline Characterisation Report to displacement effects is shown in Table 1.1 with this information derived from Wade *et al.* (2016) or Garthe and Hüppop (2004). Also included in Table 1.1 is the uncertainty level associated with the vulnerability scores from Wade *et al.* (2016). The uncertainty levels were defined by Wade *et al.* (2016) based on the quantity and quality of available data informing the respective vulnerability score. These uncertainty levels are considered as part of the process to identify VORs for inclusion in displacement analyses.

Table 1.1: Vulnerability of Valued Ornithological Receptors (VORs) to displacement from structures (Wade *et al.*, 2016; Garthe and Hüppop, 2004)<sup>2</sup>.

| Species                  | Vulnerability | Uncertainty Level (Wade <i>et al.</i> , 2016) |
|--------------------------|---------------|---|
| Fulmar                   | Very Low      | High  |
| Gannet                   | High          | Very low                                      |
| Arctic skua              | Very Low      | Very High                                     |
| Great skua               | Very Low      | High  |
| Puffin                   | Moderate      | Moderate                                      |
| Razorbill                | High          | Very low                                      |
| Guillemot                | High          | Very low                                      |
| Common tern              | Low           | Low   |
| Arctic tern              | Low           | Moderate                                      |
| Kittiwake                | Low           | Very Low                                      |
| Little gull              | Very Low      | Not included in Wade <i>et al.</i> (2016)     |
| Lesser black-backed gull | Low           | Very low                                      |
| Great black-backed gull  | Low           | Very low                                      |

- 1.2.1.2 Displacement may impact bird populations by affecting site usage which may be for foraging, resting or moulting purposes. As a result of displacement an individual bird may experience a decrease in fitness, due to the effect of re-locating to alternative foraging grounds and/or changes to energy budgets due to the increased energy expenditure when avoiding a wind farm. These impacts, in turn, may have indirect effects on birds in areas that may be some distance from the wind farm including reduced energy acquisition as a result of increased competition at other foraging sites which can result in further reductions in fitness affecting reproductive success. However, due to limited empirical evidence quantifying the likely energetic consequences of displacement, Statutory Nature Conservation Bodies advice is to consider displacement impacts in terms of direct mortality on bird populations (JNCC *et al.*, 2017). While this advice has been followed within this Annex it is noted that it represents an approach that is considerably precautionary.

<sup>1</sup> Comprising Natural Resources Wales, Department of Agriculture Environment and Rural Affairs/Northern Ireland Environment Agency, Natural England, Scottish Natural Heritage and the Joint Nature Conservation Committee.

<sup>2</sup> Wade *et al.* (2016) use a numerical scale (1-5) to define vulnerability consistent with that used in Furness (2013). In Table 1.1, scores of 1 are considered to be very low vulnerability with scores of 5 considered to be very high vulnerability

1.2.1.3 Recent advice published by UK SNCBs (JNCC *et al.*, 2017) suggests that in addition to the defined vulnerability of seabirds, habitat use flexibility can, in-combination with other factors including expert opinion, be used to propose an appropriate rate of mortality that occurs as a result of displacement. The defined habitat use flexibility of a number of species/species groups is presented in Table 1.2.

Table 1.2: Habitat use flexibility of VORs (Wade *et al.*, 2016; Langston, 2010).

| Habitat use flexibility | Species / species group                                     |
|-------------------------|---|
| Very High               | Gannet, lesser black-backed gull, fulmar                    |
| High                    | Kittiwake, great black-backed gull, Arctic skua, great skua |
| Medium                  | Guillemot, razorbill, puffin, Arctic tern, common tern      |
| Low                     | Little gull   |
| Very Low                | None  |

1.2.1.4 Due to the evidence relating to the extended disturbance distances of divers and seabirds (Fox and Petersen, 2006; Petersen *et al.*, 2006; Percival, 2010) the assessments for these species would be conducted using site-specific data incorporating a 4 km buffer. For all other species a buffer of 2 km is applied. This approach is consistent with the guidance from JNCC *et al.* (2017).

## 1.3 Methodology

### 1.3.1 Species for consideration

1.3.1.1 The full process applied to identify VORs that may be affected by impacts associated with Hornsea Three is documented in the Baseline Characterisation Report (Annex 5.1: Offshore Ornithology Baseline Characterisation Report). Those VORs that are potentially affected by displacement are those:

- Known to be vulnerable to displacement impacts (based on Wade *et al.*, 2016; Bradbury *et al.*, 2014) (Table 1.2); and
- Where the population of the species observed at the development site plus a 4 km buffer is considered to be of importance, when compared against a relevant population scale thresholds (regional, national or international).

1.3.1.2 Table 1.3 identifies those VORs for which displacement analysis is required based on the above criteria. The following species were selected for displacement analysis:

- Fulmar (low vulnerability (high uncertainty level), regionally important population)
- Gannet (high vulnerability, regionally important population);

- Puffin (high vulnerability, regionally important population);
- Razorbill (high vulnerability, regionally important population); and
- Guillemot (high vulnerability, regionally important population).

Table 1.3: Identification of VORs for which analysis of displacement for the Hornsea Three array area is required.

| VOR                      | Vulnerability to displacement impacts | Importance of population at Hornsea Three | Displacement analysis required (Yes/No)   |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| Fulmar                   | Very Low                              | Regional                                  | Yes – species recorded in regionally important numbers, high uncertainty level associated with vulnerability score <sup>3</sup> . |
| Gannet                   | High                                  | Regional                                  | Yes – high vulnerability, species recorded in regionally important numbers at Hornsea Three.                                      |
| Arctic skua              | Very Low                              | Local                                     | No – low vulnerability, recorded in only low numbers at Hornsea Three.  |
| Great skua               | Very Low                              | Local                                     | No – low vulnerability, recorded in only low numbers at Hornsea Three.  |
| Puffin                   | Moderate                              | Regional                                  | Yes – moderate vulnerability, species recorded in regionally important numbers at Hornsea Three.                                  |
| Razorbill                | High                                  | Regional                                  | Yes – high vulnerability, species recorded in regionally important numbers at Hornsea Three.                                      |
| Guillemot                | High                                  | Regional                                  | Yes – high vulnerability, species recorded in regionally important numbers at Hornsea Three.                                      |
| Common tern              | Low                                   | Local                                     | No – low vulnerability, species recorded in only low numbers at Hornsea Three.  |
| Arctic tern              | Low                                   | Local                                     | No – low vulnerability, species recorded in only low numbers at Hornsea Three.  |
| Kittiwake                | Low                                   | National                                  | No – low vulnerability with a very low uncertainty level associated with vulnerability score.                                     |
| Little gull              | Very Low                              | Local                                     | No – very low vulnerability, species recorded in only low numbers at Hornsea Three.   |
| Lesser black-backed gull | Low                                   | Regional                                  | No – low vulnerability with a very low uncertainty level associated with vulnerability score.                                     |
| Great black-backed gull  | Low                                   | National                                  | No – low vulnerability with a very low uncertainty level associated with vulnerability score.                                     |

<sup>3</sup> Note that the inclusion of fulmar is based on the advice of Natural England and the inclusion of fulmar in displacement analyses at previous offshore wind farm projects

### 1.3.2 Population estimates

- 1.3.2.1 Project-specific data for Hornsea Three has been collected by twenty digital aerial surveys carried out between April 2016 and November 2017 encompassing the wind farm array area plus a 4 km buffer. Further information on the aerial surveys undertaken for Hornsea Three and the methodologies used to derive population estimates is provided in the Annex 5.1: Offshore Ornithology Baseline Characterisation Report.
- 1.3.2.2 The primary data that informs the basis for the assessment are monthly population estimates (corrected for survey coverage and availability bias) including birds both on the water and in flight. For those species identified in Section 1.3.1, a 2 km buffer is considered appropriate to inform assessment of displacement. No species for which a 4 km displacement buffer around the wind farm would typically be applied (i.e. those with a Very High vulnerability to displacement) were selected for inclusion in the analyses presented in this Annex due to insignificant observations (less than 10 birds) of these species during aerial surveys at Hornsea Three.
- 1.3.2.3 Natural England recommend that two years of baseline survey data be collected in order to capture the inherent variability in seabird populations within assessments presented in an EIA/HRA. The Hornsea Three aerial surveys have collected two years of data for the eight month period April to November and this is considered to adequately capture the variability in seabird populations for assessment purposes.
- 1.3.2.4 However, only one year of baseline data is available for the period December to March. To further understand the inherent variability in seabird populations at Hornsea Three, a detailed analysis investigating the variability in seabird populations at Hornsea Three has been conducted (including the period where only one year of data is available). This uses both the site-specific aerial survey data and boat-based survey data collected as part of the application process for previous projects in the former Hornsea Zone (see Annex 5.4: Data Hierarchy Report). The results of this analysis have been used to identify appropriate population estimates for use in displacement analyses for Hornsea Three. The full approach applied is presented in Annex 5.4: Data Hierarchy Report alongside the resulting seasonal mean-peak population estimates to be used for displacement analyses (Table 1.4).

Table 1.4: Seasonal mean-peak population estimates for species under consideration.<sup>4</sup>

| Species | Breeding          | Post-breeding   | Non-breeding    | Pre-breeding    |
|---------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Fulmar  | 1,423 (Apr – Aug) | 977 (Sep-Oct)   | 352 (Nov)       | 525 (Dec – Mar) |
| Gannet  | 1,333 (Apr – Aug) | 984 (Sep – Nov) |                 | 406 (Dec- Mar)  |
| Puffin  | 253 (May – Jul)   |                 | 127 (Aug – Apr) |                 |

<sup>4</sup> Grey cells indicate not relevant for the species.

| Species   | Breeding           | Post-breeding     | Non-breeding       | Pre-breeding      |
|-----------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Razorbill | 630 (Apr – Jul)    | 2,020 (Sep – Oct) | 3,649 (Nov – Dec)  | 1,236 (Jan – Mar) |
| Guillemot | 13,374 (Mar – Jul) |                   | 17,772 (Aug – Feb) |                   |

### 1.3.3 Displacement and mortality rates

- 1.3.3.1 Displacement matrices are presented in Section 1.4 for each species and associated seasons identified in Section 1.3. Potential displacement impacts for each species are presented here based on a wide range of potential displacement (0-100%) and mortality rates (0-100%) following recent SNCB guidance (JNCC *et al.*, 2017). Consideration of the appropriate displacement and mortality rates to apply for assessment is provided in Volume 2, Chapter 5: Offshore Ornithology.
- 1.3.3.2 In Chapter 5: Offshore Ornithology the degree of change predicted to occur at the population level for a species is further explored by comparing the predicted displacement mortality to the relevant 1% threshold of background mortality for each species (as advised by Natural England for Hornsea Project Two in July 2014 (Natural England, 2014)). Assessment approaches investigating the potential change in background mortality have also been used at other offshore wind farm projects (e.g. East Anglia three) and is therefore considered appropriate for the assessments conducted for Hornsea Three. As such, each matrix in the following species-specific sections is shaded to indicate where the predicted displacement mortality surpasses the 1% threshold of background mortality of the relevant regional or national population for each species. The relevant population against which displacement mortality is compared and the background mortality for each species (inverse of adult survival from Horswill and Robinson (2015)) are presented in each matrix.

## 1.4 Results

### 1.4.1 Fulmar

- 1.4.1.1 Four seasons were defined for fulmar in Annex 5.1: Offshore Ornithology Baseline Characterisation Report. Displacement matrices for each of these seasons, using the mean-peak populations presented in Table 1.4 are presented in Table 1.5 to Table 1.8. The potential level of displacement mortality for fulmar is assessed in Volume 2, Chapter 5: Offshore Ornithology.

Table 1.5: Predicted fulmar mortality as a result of displacement from Hornsea Three and 2 km buffer during the breeding season.

| Displaced (%)   | Mortality rate (%) |    |    |                           |     |     |     |     |                           |     |      |      |      |
|---|--------------------|----|----|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------------------------|-----|------|------|------|
|   | 1                  | 2  | 5  | 10                        | 20  | 30  | 40  | 50  | 60                        | 70  | 80   | 90   | 100  |
| 10  | 1                  | 3  | 7  | 14                        | 28  | 43  | 57  | 71  | 85                        | 100 | 114  | 128  | 142  |
| 20  | 3                  | 6  | 14 | 28                        | 57  | 85  | 114 | 142 | 171                       | 199 | 228  | 256  | 285  |
| 30  | 4                  | 9  | 21 | 43                        | 85  | 128 | 171 | 213 | 256                       | 299 | 341  | 384  | 427  |
| 40  | 6                  | 11 | 28 | 57                        | 114 | 171 | 228 | 285 | 341                       | 398 | 455  | 512  | 569  |
| 50  | 7                  | 14 | 36 | 71                        | 142 | 213 | 285 | 356 | 427                       | 498 | 569  | 640  | 711  |
| 60  | 9                  | 17 | 43 | 85                        | 171 | 256 | 341 | 427 | 512                       | 597 | 683  | 768  | 854  |
| 70  | 10                 | 20 | 50 | 100                       | 199 | 299 | 398 | 498 | 597                       | 697 | 797  | 896  | 996  |
| 80  | 11                 | 23 | 57 | 114                       | 228 | 341 | 455 | 569 | 683                       | 797 | 910  | 1024 | 1138 |
| 90  | 13                 | 26 | 64 | 128                       | 256 | 384 | 512 | 640 | 768                       | 896 | 1024 | 1152 | 1280 |
| 100   | 14                 | 28 | 71 | 142                       | 285 | 427 | 569 | 711 | 854                       | 996 | 1138 | 1280 | 1423 |
| Regional BDMPS population = 11,745 breeding individuals<br>Background mortality = 0.064 |                    |    |    | < 1% background mortality |     |     |     |     | > 1% background mortality |     |      |      |      |

Table 1.6: Predicted fulmar mortality as a result of displacement from Hornsea Three and 2 km buffer during the post-breeding season.

| Displaced (%)   | Mortality rate (%) |    |    |                           |     |     |     |                           |     |     |     |     |     |
|---|--------------------|----|----|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
|   | 1                  | 2  | 5  | 10                        | 20  | 30  | 40  | 50                        | 60  | 70  | 80  | 90  | 100 |
| 10  | 1                  | 2  | 5  | 10                        | 20  | 29  | 39  | 49                        | 59  | 68  | 78  | 88  | 98  |
| 20  | 2                  | 4  | 10 | 20                        | 39  | 59  | 78  | 98                        | 117 | 137 | 156 | 176 | 195 |
| 30  | 3                  | 6  | 15 | 29                        | 59  | 88  | 117 | 146                       | 176 | 205 | 234 | 264 | 293 |
| 40  | 4                  | 8  | 20 | 39                        | 78  | 117 | 156 | 195                       | 234 | 273 | 312 | 352 | 391 |
| 50  | 5                  | 10 | 24 | 49                        | 98  | 146 | 195 | 244                       | 293 | 342 | 391 | 439 | 488 |
| 60  | 6                  | 12 | 29 | 59                        | 117 | 176 | 234 | 293                       | 352 | 410 | 469 | 527 | 586 |
| 70  | 7                  | 14 | 34 | 68                        | 137 | 205 | 273 | 342                       | 410 | 479 | 547 | 615 | 684 |
| 80  | 8                  | 16 | 39 | 78                        | 156 | 234 | 312 | 391                       | 469 | 547 | 625 | 703 | 781 |
| 90  | 9                  | 18 | 44 | 88                        | 176 | 264 | 352 | 439                       | 527 | 615 | 703 | 791 | 879 |
| 100   | 10                 | 20 | 49 | 98                        | 195 | 293 | 391 | 488                       | 586 | 684 | 781 | 879 | 977 |
| Regional BDMPS population = 957,502 individuals<br>Background mortality = 0.064 |                    |    |    | < 1% background mortality |     |     |     | > 1% background mortality |     |     |     |     |     |

Table 1.7: Predicted fulmar mortality as a result of displacement from Hornsea Three and 2 km buffer during the non-breeding season.

| Displaced (%)   | Mortality rate (%) |   |    |                           |    |     |     |     |                           |     |     |     |     |
|---|--------------------|---|----|---------------------------|----|-----|-----|-----|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
|   | 1                  | 2 | 5  | 10                        | 20 | 30  | 40  | 50  | 60                        | 70  | 80  | 90  | 100 |
| 10  | 0                  | 1 | 2  | 4                         | 7  | 11  | 14  | 18  | 21                        | 25  | 28  | 32  | 35  |
| 20  | 1                  | 1 | 4  | 7                         | 14 | 21  | 28  | 35  | 42                        | 49  | 56  | 63  | 70  |
| 30  | 1                  | 2 | 5  | 11                        | 21 | 32  | 42  | 53  | 63                        | 74  | 85  | 95  | 106 |
| 40  | 1                  | 3 | 7  | 14                        | 28 | 42  | 56  | 70  | 85                        | 99  | 113 | 127 | 141 |
| 50  | 2                  | 4 | 9  | 18                        | 35 | 53  | 70  | 88  | 106                       | 123 | 141 | 159 | 176 |
| 60  | 2                  | 4 | 11 | 21                        | 42 | 63  | 85  | 106 | 127                       | 148 | 169 | 190 | 211 |
| 70  | 2                  | 5 | 12 | 25                        | 49 | 74  | 99  | 123 | 148                       | 173 | 197 | 222 | 247 |
| 80  | 3                  | 6 | 14 | 28                        | 56 | 85  | 113 | 141 | 169                       | 197 | 226 | 254 | 282 |
| 90  | 3                  | 6 | 16 | 32                        | 63 | 95  | 127 | 159 | 190                       | 222 | 254 | 285 | 317 |
| 100   | 4                  | 7 | 18 | 35                        | 70 | 106 | 141 | 176 | 211                       | 247 | 282 | 317 | 352 |
| Regional BDMPS population = 568,736<br>Background mortality = 0.064 |                    |   |    | < 1% background mortality |    |     |     |     | > 1% background mortality |     |     |     |     |

Table 1.8: Predicted fulmar mortality as a result of displacement from Hornsea Three and 2 km buffer during the pre-breeding season.

| Displaced (%)   | Mortality rate (%) |    |    |                           |     |     |     |     |                           |     |     |     |     |
|---|--------------------|----|----|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
|   | 1                  | 2  | 5  | 10                        | 20  | 30  | 40  | 50  | 60                        | 70  | 80  | 90  | 100 |
| 10  | 1                  | 1  | 3  | 5                         | 10  | 16  | 21  | 26  | 31                        | 37  | 42  | 47  | 52  |
| 20  | 1                  | 2  | 5  | 10                        | 21  | 31  | 42  | 52  | 63                        | 73  | 84  | 94  | 105 |
| 30  | 2                  | 3  | 8  | 16                        | 31  | 47  | 63  | 79  | 94                        | 110 | 126 | 142 | 157 |
| 40  | 2                  | 4  | 10 | 21                        | 42  | 63  | 84  | 105 | 126                       | 147 | 168 | 189 | 210 |
| 50  | 3                  | 5  | 13 | 26                        | 52  | 79  | 105 | 131 | 157                       | 184 | 210 | 236 | 262 |
| 60  | 3                  | 6  | 16 | 31                        | 63  | 94  | 126 | 157 | 189                       | 220 | 252 | 283 | 315 |
| 70  | 4                  | 7  | 18 | 37                        | 73  | 110 | 147 | 184 | 220                       | 257 | 294 | 331 | 367 |
| 80  | 4                  | 8  | 21 | 42                        | 84  | 126 | 168 | 210 | 252                       | 294 | 336 | 378 | 420 |
| 90  | 5                  | 9  | 24 | 47                        | 94  | 142 | 189 | 236 | 283                       | 331 | 378 | 425 | 472 |
| 100   | 5                  | 10 | 26 | 52                        | 105 | 157 | 210 | 262 | 315                       | 367 | 420 | 472 | 525 |
| Regional BDMPS population = 957,502 individuals<br>Background mortality = 0.064 |                    |    |    | < 1% background mortality |     |     |     |     | > 1% background mortality |     |     |     |     |

## 1.4.2 Gannet

1.4.2.1 Three seasons were defined for gannet in Annex 5.1: Offshore Ornithology Baseline Characterisation Report. Displacement matrices for each of these seasons, using the mean-peak populations presented in Table 1.4 are presented in Table 1.9 to Table 1.11. The potential level of displacement mortality for gannet is assessed in Volume 2, Chapter 5: Offshore Ornithology.

Table 1.9: Predicted gannet mortality as a result of displacement from Hornsea Three and 2 km buffer during the breeding season.

| Displaced (%)   | Mortality rate (%) |    |    |                           |     |     |     |                           |     |     |      |      |      |
|---|--------------------|----|----|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|---------------------------|-----|-----|------|------|------|
|   | 1                  | 2  | 5  | 10                        | 20  | 30  | 40  | 50                        | 60  | 70  | 80   | 90   | 100  |
| 10  | 1                  | 3  | 7  | 13                        | 27  | 40  | 53  | 67                        | 80  | 93  | 107  | 120  | 133  |
| 20  | 3                  | 5  | 13 | 27                        | 53  | 80  | 107 | 133                       | 160 | 187 | 213  | 240  | 267  |
| 30  | 4                  | 8  | 20 | 40                        | 80  | 120 | 160 | 200                       | 240 | 280 | 320  | 360  | 400  |
| 40  | 5                  | 11 | 27 | 53                        | 107 | 160 | 213 | 267                       | 320 | 373 | 427  | 480  | 533  |
| 50  | 7                  | 13 | 33 | 67                        | 133 | 200 | 267 | 333                       | 400 | 467 | 533  | 600  | 667  |
| 60  | 8                  | 16 | 40 | 80                        | 160 | 240 | 320 | 400                       | 480 | 560 | 640  | 720  | 800  |
| 70  | 9                  | 19 | 47 | 93                        | 187 | 280 | 373 | 467                       | 560 | 653 | 747  | 840  | 933  |
| 80  | 11                 | 21 | 53 | 107                       | 213 | 320 | 427 | 533                       | 640 | 747 | 853  | 960  | 1066 |
| 90  | 12                 | 24 | 60 | 120                       | 240 | 360 | 480 | 600                       | 720 | 840 | 960  | 1080 | 1200 |
| 100   | 13                 | 27 | 67 | 133                       | 267 | 400 | 533 | 667                       | 800 | 933 | 1066 | 1200 | 1333 |
| Regional BDMPS population = 24,998 breeding individuals<br>Background mortality = 0.081 |                    |    |    | < 1% background mortality |     |     |     | > 1% background mortality |     |     |      |      |      |

Table 1.10: Predicted gannet mortality as a result of displacement from Hornsea Three and 2 km buffer during the post-breeding season.

| Displaced (%)   | Mortality rate (%) |    |    |                           |     |     |     |                           |     |     |     |     |     |
|---|--------------------|----|----|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
|   | 1                  | 2  | 5  | 10                        | 20  | 30  | 40  | 50                        | 60  | 70  | 80  | 90  | 100 |
| 10  | 1                  | 2  | 5  | 10                        | 20  | 30  | 39  | 49                        | 59  | 69  | 79  | 89  | 98  |
| 20  | 2                  | 4  | 10 | 20                        | 39  | 59  | 79  | 98                        | 118 | 138 | 157 | 177 | 197 |
| 30  | 3                  | 6  | 15 | 30                        | 59  | 89  | 118 | 148                       | 177 | 207 | 236 | 266 | 295 |
| 40  | 4                  | 8  | 20 | 39                        | 79  | 118 | 157 | 197                       | 236 | 276 | 315 | 354 | 394 |
| 50  | 5                  | 10 | 25 | 49                        | 98  | 148 | 197 | 246                       | 295 | 344 | 394 | 443 | 492 |
| 60  | 6                  | 12 | 30 | 59                        | 118 | 177 | 236 | 295                       | 354 | 413 | 472 | 531 | 591 |
| 70  | 7                  | 14 | 34 | 69                        | 138 | 207 | 276 | 344                       | 413 | 482 | 551 | 620 | 689 |
| 80  | 8                  | 16 | 39 | 79                        | 157 | 236 | 315 | 394                       | 472 | 551 | 630 | 709 | 787 |
| 90  | 9                  | 18 | 44 | 89                        | 177 | 266 | 354 | 443                       | 531 | 620 | 709 | 797 | 886 |
| 100   | 10                 | 20 | 49 | 98                        | 197 | 295 | 394 | 492                       | 591 | 689 | 787 | 886 | 984 |
| Regional BDMPS population = 456,298 individuals<br>Background mortality = 0.081 |                    |    |    | < 1% background mortality |     |     |     | > 1% background mortality |     |     |     |     |     |

Table 1.11: Predicted gannet mortality as a result of displacement from Hornsea Three and 2 km buffer during the pre-breeding season.

| Displaced (%)   | Mortality rate (%) |   |    |                           |    |     |     |     |                           |     |     |     |     |
|---|--------------------|---|----|---------------------------|----|-----|-----|-----|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
|   | 1                  | 2 | 5  | 10                        | 20 | 30  | 40  | 50  | 60                        | 70  | 80  | 90  | 100 |
| 10  | 0                  | 1 | 2  | 4                         | 8  | 12  | 16  | 20  | 24                        | 28  | 32  | 37  | 41  |
| 20  | 1                  | 2 | 4  | 8                         | 16 | 24  | 32  | 41  | 49                        | 57  | 65  | 73  | 81  |
| 30  | 1                  | 2 | 6  | 12                        | 24 | 37  | 49  | 61  | 73                        | 85  | 97  | 110 | 122 |
| 40  | 2                  | 3 | 8  | 16                        | 32 | 49  | 65  | 81  | 97                        | 114 | 130 | 146 | 162 |
| 50  | 2                  | 4 | 10 | 20                        | 41 | 61  | 81  | 102 | 122                       | 142 | 162 | 183 | 203 |
| 60  | 2                  | 5 | 12 | 24                        | 49 | 73  | 97  | 122 | 146                       | 171 | 195 | 219 | 244 |
| 70  | 3                  | 6 | 14 | 28                        | 57 | 85  | 114 | 142 | 171                       | 199 | 227 | 256 | 284 |
| 80  | 3                  | 6 | 16 | 32                        | 65 | 97  | 130 | 162 | 195                       | 227 | 260 | 292 | 325 |
| 90  | 4                  | 7 | 18 | 37                        | 73 | 110 | 146 | 183 | 219                       | 256 | 292 | 329 | 366 |
| 100   | 4                  | 8 | 20 | 41                        | 81 | 122 | 162 | 203 | 244                       | 284 | 325 | 366 | 406 |
| Regional BDMPS population = 248,385 individuals<br>Background mortality = 0.081 |                    |   |    | < 1% background mortality |    |     |     |     | > 1% background mortality |     |     |     |     |

### 1.4.3 Puffin

1.4.3.1 Two seasons were defined for puffin in Annex 5.1: Offshore Ornithology Baseline Characterisation Report. Displacement matrices for each of these seasons, using the mean-peak populations presented in Table 1.4 are presented in Table 1.12 and Table 1.13. The potential level of displacement mortality for puffin is assessed in Volume 2, Chapter 5: Offshore Ornithology.

Table 1.12: Predicted puffin mortality as a result of displacement from Hornsea Three and 2 km buffer during the breeding season.

| Displaced (%)  | Mortality rate (%) |   |    |                           |    |    |     |     |                           |     |     |     |     |
|--|--------------------|---|----|---------------------------|----|----|-----|-----|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
|  | 1                  | 2 | 5  | 10                        | 20 | 30 | 40  | 50  | 60                        | 70  | 80  | 90  | 100 |
| 10   | 0                  | 1 | 1  | 3                         | 5  | 8  | 10  | 13  | 15                        | 18  | 20  | 23  | 25  |
| 20   | 1                  | 1 | 3  | 5                         | 10 | 15 | 20  | 25  | 30                        | 35  | 41  | 46  | 51  |
| 30   | 1                  | 2 | 4  | 8                         | 15 | 23 | 30  | 38  | 46                        | 53  | 61  | 68  | 76  |
| 40   | 1                  | 2 | 5  | 10                        | 20 | 30 | 41  | 51  | 61                        | 71  | 81  | 91  | 101 |
| 50   | 1                  | 3 | 6  | 13                        | 25 | 38 | 51  | 63  | 76                        | 89  | 101 | 114 | 127 |
| 60   | 2                  | 3 | 8  | 15                        | 30 | 46 | 61  | 76  | 91                        | 106 | 122 | 137 | 152 |
| 70   | 2                  | 4 | 9  | 18                        | 35 | 53 | 71  | 89  | 106                       | 124 | 142 | 160 | 177 |
| 80   | 2                  | 4 | 10 | 20                        | 41 | 61 | 81  | 101 | 122                       | 142 | 162 | 182 | 203 |
| 90   | 2                  | 5 | 11 | 23                        | 46 | 68 | 91  | 114 | 137                       | 160 | 182 | 205 | 228 |
| 100  | 3                  | 5 | 13 | 25                        | 51 | 76 | 101 | 127 | 152                       | 177 | 203 | 228 | 253 |
| Regional BDMPS population = 1,960 breeding individuals<br>Background mortality = 0.094 |                    |   |    | < 1% background mortality |    |    |     |     | > 1% background mortality |     |     |     |     |

Table 1.13: Predicted puffin mortality as a result of displacement from Hornsea Three and 2 km buffer during the non-breeding season.

| Displaced (%)   | Mortality rate (%) |   |   |                           |    |    |    |    |                           |    |     |     |     |
|---|--------------------|---|---|---------------------------|----|----|----|----|---------------------------|----|-----|-----|-----|
|   | 1                  | 2 | 5 | 10                        | 20 | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60                        | 70 | 80  | 90  | 100 |
| 10  | 0                  | 0 | 1 | 1                         | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 8                         | 9  | 10  | 11  | 13  |
| 20  | 0                  | 1 | 1 | 3                         | 5  | 8  | 10 | 13 | 15                        | 18 | 20  | 23  | 25  |
| 30  | 0                  | 1 | 2 | 4                         | 8  | 11 | 15 | 19 | 23                        | 27 | 30  | 34  | 38  |
| 40  | 1                  | 1 | 3 | 5                         | 10 | 15 | 20 | 25 | 30                        | 36 | 41  | 46  | 51  |
| 50  | 1                  | 1 | 3 | 6                         | 13 | 19 | 25 | 32 | 38                        | 44 | 51  | 57  | 63  |
| 60  | 1                  | 2 | 4 | 8                         | 15 | 23 | 30 | 38 | 46                        | 53 | 61  | 69  | 76  |
| 70  | 1                  | 2 | 4 | 9                         | 18 | 27 | 36 | 44 | 53                        | 62 | 71  | 80  | 89  |
| 80  | 1                  | 2 | 5 | 10                        | 20 | 30 | 41 | 51 | 61                        | 71 | 81  | 91  | 102 |
| 90  | 1                  | 2 | 6 | 11                        | 23 | 34 | 46 | 57 | 69                        | 80 | 91  | 103 | 114 |
| 100   | 1                  | 3 | 6 | 13                        | 25 | 38 | 51 | 63 | 76                        | 89 | 102 | 114 | 127 |
| Regional BDMPS population = 231,957 individuals<br>Background mortality = 0.094 |                    |   |   | < 1% background mortality |    |    |    |    | > 1% background mortality |    |     |     |     |

### 1.4.4 Razorbill

1.4.4.1 Four seasons were defined for razorbill in Annex 5.1: Offshore Ornithology Baseline Characterisation Report. Displacement matrices for each of these seasons, using the mean-peak populations presented in Table 1.4 are presented in Table 1.14 to Table 1.17. The potential level of displacement mortality for razorbill is assessed in Volume 2, Chapter 5: Offshore Ornithology.

Table 1.14: Predicted razorbill mortality as a result of displacement from Hornsea Three and 2 km buffer during the breeding season.

| Displaced (%)   | Mortality rate (%) |    |    |                           |     |     |     |     |                           |     |     |     |     |
|---|--------------------|----|----|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
|   | 1                  | 2  | 5  | 10                        | 20  | 30  | 40  | 50  | 60                        | 70  | 80  | 90  | 100 |
| 10  | 1                  | 1  | 3  | 6                         | 13  | 19  | 25  | 32  | 38                        | 44  | 50  | 57  | 63  |
| 20  | 1                  | 3  | 6  | 13                        | 25  | 38  | 50  | 63  | 76                        | 88  | 101 | 113 | 126 |
| 30  | 2                  | 4  | 9  | 19                        | 38  | 57  | 76  | 95  | 113                       | 132 | 151 | 170 | 189 |
| 40  | 3                  | 5  | 13 | 25                        | 50  | 76  | 101 | 126 | 151                       | 176 | 202 | 227 | 252 |
| 50  | 3                  | 6  | 16 | 32                        | 63  | 95  | 126 | 158 | 189                       | 221 | 252 | 284 | 315 |
| 60  | 4                  | 8  | 19 | 38                        | 76  | 113 | 151 | 189 | 227                       | 265 | 303 | 340 | 378 |
| 70  | 4                  | 9  | 22 | 44                        | 88  | 132 | 176 | 221 | 265                       | 309 | 353 | 397 | 441 |
| 80  | 5                  | 10 | 25 | 50                        | 101 | 151 | 202 | 252 | 303                       | 353 | 403 | 454 | 504 |
| 90  | 6                  | 11 | 28 | 57                        | 113 | 170 | 227 | 284 | 340                       | 397 | 454 | 511 | 567 |
| 100   | 6                  | 13 | 32 | 63                        | 126 | 189 | 252 | 315 | 378                       | 441 | 504 | 567 | 630 |
| National breeding population = 260,000 breeding individuals<br>Background mortality = 0.105 |                    |    |    | < 1% background mortality |     |     |     |     | > 1% background mortality |     |     |     |     |

Table 1.15: Predicted razorbill mortality as a result of displacement from Hornsea Three and 2 km buffer during the post-breeding season.

| Displaced (%)   | Mortality rate (%) |    |     |                           |     |     |     |      |                           |      |      |      |      |
|---|--------------------|----|-----|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|---------------------------|------|------|------|------|
|   | 1                  | 2  | 5   | 10                        | 20  | 30  | 40  | 50   | 60                        | 70   | 80   | 90   | 100  |
| 10  | 2                  | 4  | 10  | 20                        | 40  | 61  | 81  | 101  | 121                       | 141  | 162  | 182  | 202  |
| 20  | 4                  | 8  | 20  | 40                        | 81  | 121 | 162 | 202  | 242                       | 283  | 323  | 364  | 404  |
| 30  | 6                  | 12 | 30  | 61                        | 121 | 182 | 242 | 303  | 364                       | 424  | 485  | 545  | 606  |
| 40  | 8                  | 16 | 40  | 81                        | 162 | 242 | 323 | 404  | 485                       | 566  | 646  | 727  | 808  |
| 50  | 10                 | 20 | 51  | 101                       | 202 | 303 | 404 | 505  | 606                       | 707  | 808  | 909  | 1010 |
| 60  | 12                 | 24 | 61  | 121                       | 242 | 364 | 485 | 606  | 727                       | 849  | 970  | 1091 | 1212 |
| 70  | 14                 | 28 | 71  | 141                       | 283 | 424 | 566 | 707  | 849                       | 990  | 1131 | 1273 | 1414 |
| 80  | 16                 | 32 | 81  | 162                       | 323 | 485 | 646 | 808  | 970                       | 1131 | 1293 | 1455 | 1616 |
| 90  | 18                 | 36 | 91  | 182                       | 364 | 545 | 727 | 909  | 1091                      | 1273 | 1455 | 1636 | 1818 |
| 100   | 20                 | 40 | 101 | 202                       | 404 | 606 | 808 | 1010 | 1212                      | 1414 | 1616 | 1818 | 2020 |
| Regional BDMPS population = 591,874 individuals<br>Background mortality = 0.105 |                    |    |     | < 1% background mortality |     |     |     |      | > 1% background mortality |      |      |      |      |

Table 1.16: Predicted razorbill mortality as a result of displacement from Hornsea Three and 2 km buffer during the non-breeding season.

| Displaced (%)   | Mortality rate (%) |    |     |                           |     |      |      |                           |      |      |      |      |      |
|---|--------------------|----|-----|---------------------------|-----|------|------|---------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
|   | 1                  | 2  | 5   | 10                        | 20  | 30   | 40   | 50                        | 60   | 70   | 80   | 90   | 100  |
| 10  | 4                  | 7  | 18  | 36                        | 73  | 109  | 146  | 182                       | 219  | 255  | 292  | 328  | 365  |
| 20  | 7                  | 15 | 36  | 73                        | 146 | 219  | 292  | 365                       | 438  | 511  | 584  | 657  | 730  |
| 30  | 11                 | 22 | 55  | 109                       | 219 | 328  | 438  | 547                       | 657  | 766  | 876  | 985  | 1095 |
| 40  | 15                 | 29 | 73  | 146                       | 292 | 438  | 584  | 730                       | 876  | 1022 | 1168 | 1314 | 1460 |
| 50  | 18                 | 36 | 91  | 182                       | 365 | 547  | 730  | 912                       | 1095 | 1277 | 1460 | 1642 | 1825 |
| 60  | 22                 | 44 | 109 | 219                       | 438 | 657  | 876  | 1095                      | 1314 | 1533 | 1752 | 1970 | 2189 |
| 70  | 26                 | 51 | 128 | 255                       | 511 | 766  | 1022 | 1277                      | 1533 | 1788 | 2043 | 2299 | 2554 |
| 80  | 29                 | 58 | 146 | 292                       | 584 | 876  | 1168 | 1460                      | 1752 | 2043 | 2335 | 2627 | 2919 |
| 90  | 33                 | 66 | 164 | 328                       | 657 | 985  | 1314 | 1642                      | 1970 | 2299 | 2627 | 2956 | 3284 |
| 100   | 36                 | 73 | 182 | 365                       | 730 | 1095 | 1460 | 1825                      | 2189 | 2554 | 2919 | 3284 | 3649 |
| Regional BDMPS population = 218,622 individuals<br>Background mortality = 0.105 |                    |    |     | < 1% background mortality |     |      |      | > 1% background mortality |      |      |      |      |      |

Table 1.17: Predicted razorbill mortality as a result of displacement from Hornsea Three and 2 km buffer during the pre-breeding season.

| Displaced (%)   | Mortality rate (%) |    |    |                           |     |     |     |     |                           |     |     |      |      |
|---|--------------------|----|----|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------------------------|-----|-----|------|------|
|   | 1                  | 2  | 5  | 10                        | 20  | 30  | 40  | 50  | 60                        | 70  | 80  | 90   | 100  |
| 10  | 1                  | 2  | 6  | 12                        | 25  | 37  | 49  | 62  | 74                        | 87  | 99  | 111  | 124  |
| 20  | 2                  | 5  | 12 | 25                        | 49  | 74  | 99  | 124 | 148                       | 173 | 198 | 223  | 247  |
| 30  | 4                  | 7  | 19 | 37                        | 74  | 111 | 148 | 185 | 223                       | 260 | 297 | 334  | 371  |
| 40  | 5                  | 10 | 25 | 49                        | 99  | 148 | 198 | 247 | 297                       | 346 | 396 | 445  | 495  |
| 50  | 6                  | 12 | 31 | 62                        | 124 | 185 | 247 | 309 | 371                       | 433 | 495 | 556  | 618  |
| 60  | 7                  | 15 | 37 | 74                        | 148 | 223 | 297 | 371 | 445                       | 519 | 593 | 668  | 742  |
| 70  | 9                  | 17 | 43 | 87                        | 173 | 260 | 346 | 433 | 519                       | 606 | 692 | 779  | 865  |
| 80  | 10                 | 20 | 49 | 99                        | 198 | 297 | 396 | 495 | 593                       | 692 | 791 | 890  | 989  |
| 90  | 11                 | 22 | 56 | 111                       | 223 | 334 | 445 | 556 | 668                       | 779 | 890 | 1001 | 1113 |
| 100   | 12                 | 25 | 62 | 124                       | 247 | 371 | 495 | 618 | 742                       | 865 | 989 | 1113 | 1236 |
| Regional BDMPS population = 591,874 individuals<br>Background mortality = 0.105 |                    |    |    | < 1% background mortality |     |     |     |     | > 1% background mortality |     |     |      |      |

### 1.4.5 Guillemot

1.4.5.1 Two seasons were defined for guillemot in Annex 5.1: Offshore Ornithology Baseline Characterisation Report. Displacement matrices for each of these seasons, using the mean-peak populations presented in Table 1.4 are presented in Table 1.18 and Table 1.19. The potential level of displacement mortality for guillemot is assessed in Volume 2, Chapter 5: Offshore Ornithology.

Table 1.18: Predicted guillemot mortality as a result of displacement from Hornsea Three and 2 km buffer during the breeding season.

| Displaced (%)   | Mortality rate (%) |     |     |                           |      |      |      |                           |      |      |       |       |       |
|---|--------------------|-----|-----|---------------------------|------|------|------|---------------------------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|
|   | 1                  | 2   | 5   | 10                        | 20   | 30   | 40   | 50                        | 60   | 70   | 80    | 90    | 100   |
| 10  | 13                 | 27  | 67  | 134                       | 267  | 401  | 535  | 669                       | 802  | 936  | 1070  | 1204  | 1337  |
| 20  | 27                 | 53  | 134 | 267                       | 535  | 802  | 1070 | 1337                      | 1605 | 1872 | 2140  | 2407  | 2675  |
| 30  | 40                 | 80  | 201 | 401                       | 802  | 1204 | 1605 | 2006                      | 2407 | 2809 | 3210  | 3611  | 4012  |
| 40  | 53                 | 107 | 267 | 535                       | 1070 | 1605 | 2140 | 2675                      | 3210 | 3745 | 4280  | 4815  | 5350  |
| 50  | 67                 | 134 | 334 | 669                       | 1337 | 2006 | 2675 | 3344                      | 4012 | 4681 | 5350  | 6018  | 6687  |
| 60  | 80                 | 160 | 401 | 802                       | 1605 | 2407 | 3210 | 4012                      | 4815 | 5617 | 6420  | 7222  | 8024  |
| 70  | 94                 | 187 | 468 | 936                       | 1872 | 2809 | 3745 | 4681                      | 5617 | 6553 | 7489  | 8426  | 9362  |
| 80  | 107                | 214 | 535 | 1070                      | 2140 | 3210 | 4280 | 5350                      | 6420 | 7489 | 8559  | 9629  | 10699 |
| 90  | 120                | 241 | 602 | 1204                      | 2407 | 3611 | 4815 | 6018                      | 7222 | 8426 | 9629  | 10833 | 12037 |
| 100   | 134                | 267 | 669 | 1337                      | 2675 | 4012 | 5350 | 6687                      | 8024 | 9362 | 10699 | 12037 | 13374 |
| National breeding population = 1,900,000 breeding individuals<br>Background mortality = 0.061 |                    |     |     | < 1% background mortality |      |      |      | > 1% background mortality |      |      |       |       |       |

Table 1.19: Predicted guillemot mortality as a result of displacement from Hornsea Three and 2 km buffer during the non-breeding season.

| Displaced (%)   | Mortality rate (%) |     |     |                           |      |      |      |      |                           |       |       |       |       |
|---|--------------------|-----|-----|---------------------------|------|------|------|------|---------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|   | 1                  | 2   | 5   | 10                        | 20   | 30   | 40   | 50   | 60                        | 70    | 80    | 90    | 100   |
| 10  | 18                 | 36  | 89  | 178                       | 355  | 533  | 711  | 889  | 1066                      | 1244  | 1422  | 1599  | 1777  |
| 20  | 36                 | 71  | 178 | 355                       | 711  | 1066 | 1422 | 1777 | 2133                      | 2488  | 2843  | 3199  | 3554  |
| 30  | 53                 | 107 | 267 | 533                       | 1066 | 1599 | 2133 | 2666 | 3199                      | 3732  | 4265  | 4798  | 5332  |
| 40  | 71                 | 142 | 355 | 711                       | 1422 | 2133 | 2843 | 3554 | 4265                      | 4976  | 5687  | 6398  | 7109  |
| 50  | 89                 | 178 | 444 | 889                       | 1777 | 2666 | 3554 | 4443 | 5332                      | 6220  | 7109  | 7997  | 8886  |
| 60  | 107                | 213 | 533 | 1066                      | 2133 | 3199 | 4265 | 5332 | 6398                      | 7464  | 8530  | 9597  | 10663 |
| 70  | 124                | 249 | 622 | 1244                      | 2488 | 3732 | 4976 | 6220 | 7464                      | 8708  | 9952  | 11196 | 12440 |
| 80  | 142                | 284 | 711 | 1422                      | 2843 | 4265 | 5687 | 7109 | 8530                      | 9952  | 11374 | 12796 | 14217 |
| 90  | 160                | 320 | 800 | 1599                      | 3199 | 4798 | 6398 | 7997 | 9597                      | 11196 | 12796 | 14395 | 15995 |
| 100   | 178                | 355 | 889 | 1777                      | 3554 | 5332 | 7109 | 8886 | 10663                     | 12440 | 14217 | 15995 | 17772 |
| Regional BDMPS population = 1,617,306 individuals<br>Background mortality = 0.061 |                    |     |     | < 1% background mortality |      |      |      |      | > 1% background mortality |       |       |       |       |

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