

Crown Estate Bill [HL]

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After Clause 2

LORD HOLMES OF RICHMOND

After Clause 2, insert the following new Clause –

“Duty: protection of the seabed

- (1) The Crown Estate Commissioners must take steps to protect the seabed which forms part of the Crown Estate.
- (2) Protection under subsection (1) includes prohibiting all activities, business practices, leisure pursuits and other actions which damage permanently or temporarily the seabed.”

LORD HOLMES OF RICHMOND

After Clause 2, insert the following new Clause –

“Crown Estate objectives

- (1) The Crown Estate Commissioners must prioritise the objectives set out in subsection (2) and (3) in the managing and turning to account of Crown Estate Land.
- (2) The Crown Estate must seek to support the development and promotion of new technologies, including artificial intelligence.
- (3) The Crown Estate must seek to prioritise the food security of the United Kingdom.”

LORD HOLMES OF RICHMOND

After Clause 2, insert the following new Clause –

“Report: energy generation on the Crown Estate

- (1) Within 12 months of the passing of this Act, the Crown Estate Commissioners must publish a report on the potential for energy generation on the Crown Estate, including consideration of offshore wind turbines and onshore wind turbines.
- (2) The report under subsection (1) must also assess the potential impact of wind turbines on the Crown Estate on grid capacity and energy pricing.
- (3) The report under subsection (1) must be submitted to the Secretary of State and laid before Parliament.”

LORD HOLMES OF RICHMOND

After Clause 2, insert the following new Clause –

“Review: nature prescribing

- (1) The Crown Estate Commissioners must publish a review to assess how the Crown Estate assets can be deployed to support nature prescribing.
- (2) The Crown Estate Commissioners must work with NHS England and their devolved counterparts to enable their woodland, shoreline and other nature assets to form part of a major UK wide nature prescribing scheme.”

LORD HOLMES OF RICHMOND

After Clause 2, insert the following new Clause –

“Review: governance and inclusivity

- (1) On the passing of this Act the Crown Estate Commissioners must publish a review to assess the inclusivity of its policies, practices, procedures and assets.
- (2) The review under subsection (1) must consider the corporate governance of the Crown Estate and assess whether new board roles should be created to support inclusion.”

LORD HOLMES OF RICHMOND

After Clause 2, insert the following new Clause –

“Stakeholder consultation

- (1) On the passing of this Act the Crown Estate Commissioners must review methods of consultation with relevant stakeholders.
- (2) The review under subsection (1) should include consideration of alignment assemblies as a method to involve local communities in decision-making.”

LORD HOLMES OF RICHMOND

After Clause 2, insert the following new Clause—

“Additionality principle

- (1) Before making any investment decision, the Crown Estate Commissioners must ensure that the principle of additionality is met.
- (2) The principle of additionality in subsection (1) is that—
 - (a) all activities make a contribution which is beyond what is available or is otherwise absent from the market,
 - (b) all activities do not crowd out the private sector, and
 - (c) all activities have effects that encourage private sector funding to a multiple specified by regulations made by the Treasury.”

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