

Bilag H. Skema til kommentering af udkast hos rekvirent/ekstern part

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1	80 + 145	Biological or environmental investigations? – please use consistent phrasing.	Environmental now used throughout	SB
2	133	Please consider using the word 'objective' rather than 'aim'.	Done	SB
3	147	As it is repeated several times (line 127, 134, 147) that this report concerns the species group bats, please consider reducing the number of repetitions.	Information kept in line 127, deleted from lines 134 and 147.	SB
4	264	There seems to be missing a word. Please insert the missing word between 'theory' and 'that'.	Rephrased to clarify	SB
5	356	The link does not work – but the same link in line 610 works. Please consider writing the webpage address and avoid active links.	The active links give the actual webpage addresses and can be copy pasted into a web browser in case the link is not functional. For consultancy reports, these kinds of references do in general present a problem as links or even URLs may become non-functional if the publisher changes the virtual location of the publication without re-directing. Having a central storage space that is publicly available and consistent	SB

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			over time would be a very user-friendly and transparent option.	
6	756 + 810	We assume that DCE will add the lately arrived information about the two tagged bats registered on Motus masts in Germany.	Indeed, this information is now included as changes or additions to existing text: in the summary (l. 97-104), the introduction (l. 138, l. 149-150, l. 172-173), the methods (l. 447-448, additional methods description included from the already approved Y1 operational report), the results (l. 771-796, incl. Figure 4.14) and the discussion/conclusion (l. 823-828 and l. 851-864)	SB
7	766	Please consider if the headline of section 5 should be 'Discussion and Conclusion' - as the text is discussing e.g. the potential for migration under different wind directions.	Agree that both elements are part of this section. Since this suggestion was made it is assumed that the change does not present an issue in terms of preserving a similar format (e.g., names of main section titles) across work packages/reports and the suggestion has been followed.	SB
8	790-791	Please consider adding more argumentation for why the survey area buffer between the project area and the coast should be of special attention in further bat investigations.	Done	SB
9	794	Question: How is it assessed to be 'intense' foraging activity - and not just foraging activity?	Foraging activity is indicated by a specific component of echolocation, commonly referred to as terminal buzzes, where insect-eating aerial foraging bats decrease their call interval to circa 5 msec. The terminal buzz is also often characterized by a drop in frequency towards the end immediately before prey capture. Buzzes can also be emitted in a social context, e.g., if bats chase each other off, or if they explore objects or prepare for landing. In these cases, buzzes are	SB

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			usually shorter and do not exhibit the frequency drop. If a recording contains a buzz that is characteristic of insect capture, it will indicate foraging activity. During the 20 minutes of back-to-back recordings at the A05 wind turbine, the recordings contained 137 feeding buzzes – as now specified - which justifies the description ‘intense foraging activity’. A spectrogram is also included to help visualize the foraging activity.	
10	820	Please consider describing the data and knowledge gap in terms of the relevance to the North Sea I offshore wind farm area, i.e. what additional data/knowledge would be helpful to assessing the potential impacts.	More information added	
11	821	Please consider using ‘undertaken as part of’ rather than ‘realised here as part of’	Not changed, realised should be more accurate as it refers to something that has been done/completed, whereas undertaken more commonly refers to something that has been initiated or is underway/ongoing, this is not the case for the Y1 surveys.	SB
12	821-824	Please consider moving this text up to the beginning of Section 6, i.e. before ‘The lack of...’	Done	SB
13	827	Please consider if ‘banding’ is the right word. Could it be ‘tagging’?	No. It was an error that the word tag was used later in that same sentence but there is a distinct difference between the two types of ‘object’ used in a) banding/ringing (these two terms are used interchangeably in the literature) which is analogous to bird ringing with a plastic or metal cuff attached around the bats wing bone, and b) tagging, where the tag is glued to the back of the	SB

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			animal and collects or transmits information. The sentence has been rewritten for clarification.	
14	836	Please consider deleting 'stations'.	Done	SB