

Why don't we have marine or offshore wind energy instead?

We need renewable energy sourced from marine and off-shore wind energy as well as on-shore wind, not instead of it.

Generating energy from waves or tidal currents offers a huge opportunity, but it is likely to be some years before either reaches a stage where it could complement wind energy as a commercial way of generating electricity.

Off-shore wind also has massive potential to supply clean energy because of the excellent wind resource often available at sea. Shetland has a marine wind resource in an on-shore location. As such it faces fewer of the challenges associated with working off-shore.

Being at the forefront of on-shore wind will help to unlock Shetland's potential to be a leader in renewable technologies and open future opportunities for the islands to capitalise on developments in off-shore wind, as well as in wave and tidal energy, using skills and experience developed locally.

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