

Tween Bridge Solar Farm

Environmental Statement
Appendix 10.1: Flood Risk Assessment
Part 2

Planning Act 2008 Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009

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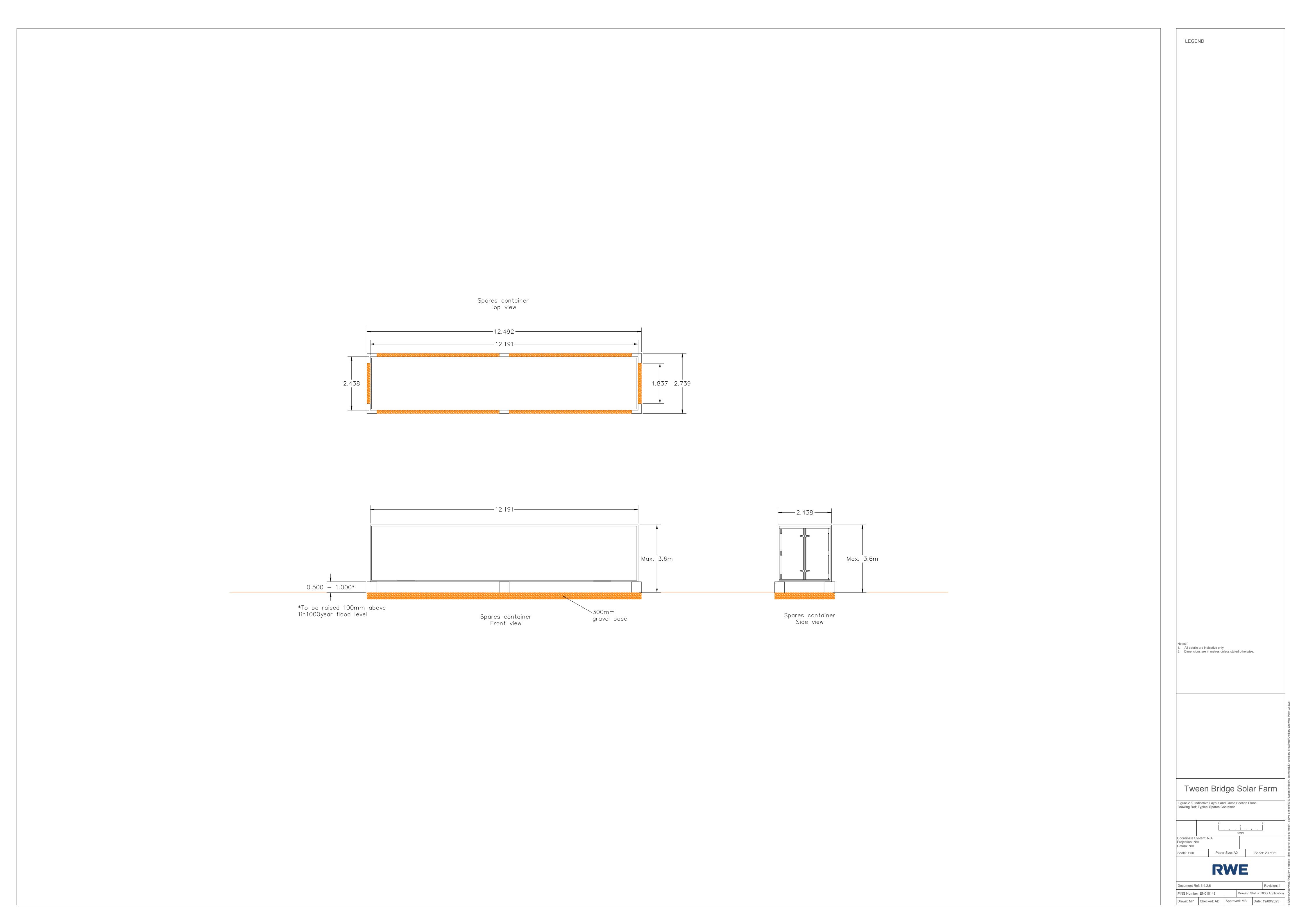
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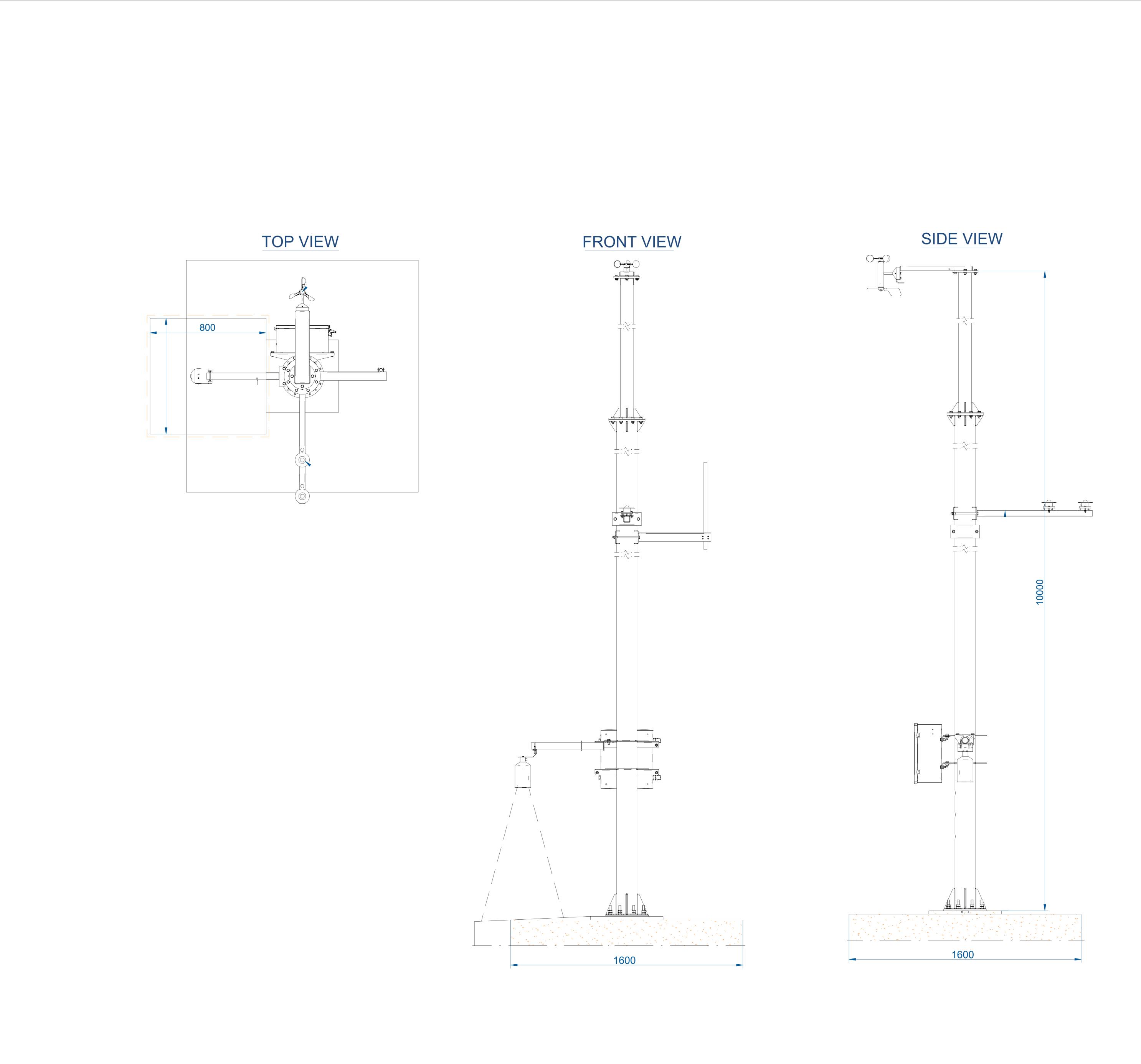
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Appendix C – Indicative Operational Layout Plan and Indicative Layouts and Cross Section Plans



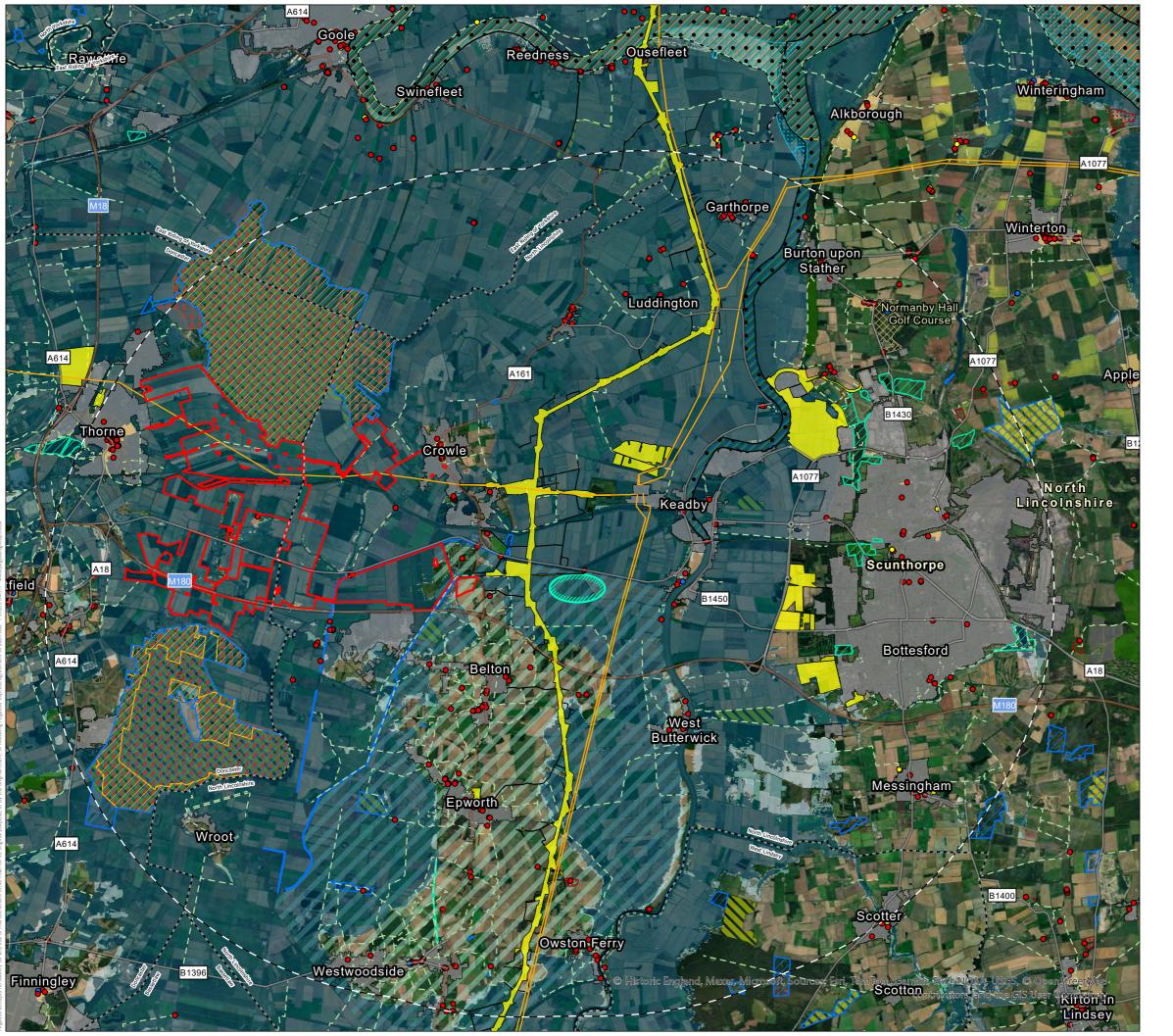


 All details are indicative only.
 Dimensions are in metres unless stated otherwise. Tween Bridge Solar Farm Figure 2.6: Indicative Layout and Cross Section Plans Drawing Ref: Typical Weather Station Coordinate System: N/A Projection: N/A Datum: N/A Paper Size: A0 Sheet: 21 of 21 Document Ref: 6.4.2.6 PINS Number EN010148 Drawing Status: DCO Application Drawn: MP Checked: AD Approved: MB Date: 19/08/2025

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Appendix D – Constraints Plan for Sequential Test





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Appendix E – EA Correspondence



RE: P21-3484 Tween Bridge Solar Farm

From LN Planning <LNplanning@environment-agency.gov.uk>

Date Thu 06/02/2025 8:59 AM



Hi Lucy

Thank you for your two emails below, providing clarity regarding Flood Zone 3b and the updated switchgear drawings.

Our flood risk officer, Paul Goldsmith, has now reviewed the information. He's happy with the clarification of Flood Zone 3b and is pleased to see that you are considering both outlines (Trent and Torne) when considering the full extent of the zone.

He's also happy with the updated switchgear drawings and is satisfied that all infrastructure on site will now be adequately raised above the most extreme flood depths (at least 100mm above the 1 in 1000 annual probability event).

Kind regards

Nicola

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Hi Nicola,

Many thanks.

Following on from my email below, please see attached updated ancillary drawing pack. This now shows the correct raising for the switch gear structures.

Kind regards,

Lucy Ginn

Senior Flood Risk Consultant - Infrastructure

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From: LN Planning < LNplanning@environment-agency.gov.uk >

Sent: 27 January 2025 4:49 PM

To: <u>opegasusgroup.co.uk</u>>
Subject: RE: P21-3484 Tween Bridge Solar Farm

Hi Lucy

Thank you for explaining this; I've forwarded your email to our Flood Risk Officer for comments and will get back to you as soon as possible.

Apologies if this was an oversight on our part.

Kind regards

Nicola

From: @pegasusgroup.co.uk> Sent: 27 January 2025 15:21 To: LN Planning < LNplanning@environment-agency.gov.uk > Cc: Simon Jacques @pegasusgroup.co.uk> Subject: Re: P21-3484 Tween Bridge Solar Farm You don't often get email from <u>@pegasusgroup.co.uk</u>. <u>Learn why this is important</u> Hi Nicola, Many thanks for the comments, much appreciated. One thing I would like to pick up please, is the extent of Flood Zone 3b on site. Apologies for not sending this with the original email, but please see attached a plan of areas of Flood Zone 3b on site. We have included the 1 in 30 year outlines from both the River Torne and River Trent outputs. We plan to use the extent from both models to define the extent of Flood Zone 3b. The file names of the data shown are also included in the attached plan. Please could you run this by the Flood Risk Officer and confirm they are happy with this? I know you have noted they didn't believe 1 in 30 year outlines from these models were available. I am going to check with the design team about the raising of the switchgear structures. Kind regards, Lucy Lucy Ginn Senior Flood Risk Consultant - Infrastructure <u>@pegasusgroup.co.uk</u>

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From: LN Planning < LNplanning@environment-agency.gov.uk >

Sent: 22 January 2025 11:28 AM

To: <u>opegasusgroup.co.uk</u>>
Subject: P21-3484 Tween Bridge Solar Farm

Dear Lucy

Please find attached our comments on your proposed flood risk mitigation measures for the Tween Bridge solar farm.

If you have any questions or feel you would benefit from a meeting at any point, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards

Nicola

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Our ref: AN/2024/136208/01-L01 Finance ref: ENVPAC/1/LNA/00198

Your ref: P21-3484

Date: 22 January 2025

Dear Lucy

P21-3484 Tween Bridge Solar Farm - proposed flood risk management measures Land either side of the M180, High Level Banks (the A18) and the Stainforth and Keadby Canal

Thank you for your email of 4 December 2024 outlining your proposed approach to flood risk mitigation for the Tween Bridge project. We are pleased to provide the following comments and advice.

If you feel that a meeting would be useful to discuss the advice, or at a later stage in developing your flood risk assessment (FRA), I would be happy to arrange this.

• All proposed solar panels and infrastructure on site will be raised above the modelled fluvially dominated 1 in 1,000 year flood levels on site, as defined by the 2023 Tidal Trent Model. This is the worst-case flood event of the range of fluvially and tidally dominated flood events included in the 2023 Tidal Trent Model package (including the 1 in 1,000 year tidally dominated flood event). 100mm of freeboard has also been accounted for. The proposed raising levels vary across the site and are detailed in the attached plan named "P21-3484-IN-QGIS-003-v4-1 in 1,000 year Fluvially Dominated Flood Level plus 100mm Freeboard_04.12.2024". This raising will be met whether it is fixed solar panels or tracker solar panels (or a combination of both) proposed on site.

We are pleased to see that the panels will be raised at least 100mm above the 1 in 1000 year fluvial event (overtopping). We consider this will be sufficient to allow the site to remain operational during a range of extreme flood events.

 We acknowledge that there is a defined critical flood level for the site of 4.1mAOD at the site. It is noted that should such an extreme flood level occur on site that the proposed development would be "switched-off". The site would not be accessed during such an event.

While we acknowledge that the depths resulting in the CFL being reached are a residual risk based on the uncertainty surrounding future funding to maintain the

pumping regime that protects the Isle of Axholme area it is a risk nonetheless. While you have noted that the site would be "switched off" during such an event the applicant should be aware that for these depths to be reached, flooding would progress over a prolonged period of time where pumping has been ceased and therefore this may render the entire site permanently unavailable. We recognise that this is considered unlikely, however we do highlight this as a residual risk to applicants.

 There is development proposed in Flood Zone 3b. This includes both solar panels and other infrastructure. All solar panels and infrastructure would be raised above the ground to ensure they are safe from flooding, as detailed in the first bullet point above. With development (essential infrastructure) proposed in Flood Zone 3, both a Sequential Test and Exception Test will be prepared.

While essential infrastructure is considered suitable within Flood Zone 3b, we would not support any proposals for land raising within these areas as this is likely to alter the function of the floodplain by diverting flows during these lower depth flood events. Panels and other infrastructure can be located here; however, they should be raised to allow the free flow of flood water beneath.

With regard to Flood Zone 3b, we are not aware of any land within the project extents that is designated as such in the SFRAs, so your FRA should explain how you have mapped it. Our Flood Risk Officer has looked at the data sets from the Torne modelling and the Trent modelling. The depths for the 1 in 20 year for the Trent are deeper in places, however the Torne 1 in 20 year has a greater extent, so he considers that the Torne determines the extent of FZ3b. Also, these are 1 in 20 year outlines, so you will need to undertake your own assessment of the 1 in 30 year outline, as this will be required since the last update to guidance. Alternatively, you could wait until March to see the outputs from our NaFRA2 project, which will include 1 in 30 year outlines.

• It is considered that solar panels proposed in Flood Zone 3b would not require level for level floodplain compensation given the negligible impact on existing flood storage volume. It is also noted that the proposed inverter buildings, battery containers and customer switchgear will each be sat on 300mm of gravel and as such comprise permeable construction, they will also be raised approximately 0.5m above the ground to allow flood waters to flow freely below (this in detailed in the ancillary drawing pack linked above). The impact of this infrastructure on floodplain storage is therefore also considered to be negligible.

As mentioned above, providing there is no raising of ground levels and panels and structures can be raised to allow the free flow of floodwater across the floodplain then this will be acceptable. We are slightly concerned that the proposed customer switchgear structures will not however maintain the raising of the floor level to 100mm above the 1 in 1000 year floodplain depths. The battery containers show that these will be raised sufficiently but this is not maintained for the switchgear. Is there a reason for this?

 All Main Rivers have a 9m easement from the top of bank on both sides that has been left entirely clear of any proposed development.

We are pleased with this proposal.

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• The revised FRA and drainage strategy for the development will include high level surface water drainage strategy details for the proposed BESS infrastructure on site. The full drainage details will need to follow once the proposed BESS layout and construction methods have been confirmed. We expect the proposed surface water drainage strategy to account for containment of potentially contaminated fire water. We would like to understand if you have any requirements in this regard, for example in terms of volume of fire water needing to be contained.

Our Environment Management teams will expect to see suitable provisions to contain water in the event of fire. However, we advise that the capacity for such systems should be determined by the applicant in liaison with the fire service, with the rationale behind the decision included with the application.

 The latest site layout plan linked above includes location of where cable route crossings are currently proposed (shown by yellow squares). The ancillary drawing pack includes typical plans of the proposed cabling methods for different scenarios. We would welcome your comments on these proposals.

Directional drilling under main rivers is covered by an exemption to the flood risk activity permit (FRAP) requirements, providing these can be undertaken in line with the exemption guidance. Where this is not possible then the applicant will require a bespoke permit.

Further guidance can be found on this exemption by visiting - <u>Exempt flood risk</u> activities: environmental permits - GOV.UK

 The proposed method of fence crossings over ditches on site is also included in the ancillary drawing pack. We would welcome your comments on these proposals.

We cannot comment on whether these will be allowed, as these are not proposed on main rivers where we would normally insist on a FRAP. However, any fencing proposed within the floodplain should have a sufficient grid size if this is for the proposed mesh fencing or gaps for the proposed ditch crossing metal work, to allow the free flow of water across the floodplain. We would wish to see the proposed maintenance plan to provide comments on the proposals. Regular inspections of the fencing and grates should be undertaken to clear any debris which may have become snagged and could present a diversion in floodplain flows.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely

Nicola Farr Sustainable Places - Planning Advisor

Direct dial environment-agency.gov.uk

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REF: EMD 322579

Date: 18/08/2023

Dear Lucy Ginn

Thank you for contacting us regarding the product data for **multiple sites around Thorne**, **Doncaster**, you have been provided with the following information.

This data is provided to you under the **Environment Agency Conditional licence**.

Product Type	Model
Product 5	Tidal Trent, Jacobs, 2023
	River Torne, Flood Hazard Mapping Study, Capita AECOM, 2018
Product 6	Tidal Trent, Jacobs, 2023
	River Torne, Flood Hazard Mapping Study, Capita AECOM, 2018
Product 7	Tidal Trent, Jacobs, 2023
	River Torne, Flood Hazard Mapping Study, Capita AECOM, 2018

- To access the data provided you will need to set up a Quatrix profile and enter your email and password.
- Please be aware that access to this data transfer will expire on 18/08/2024. We advise you to save the data you require elsewhere as soon as possible.

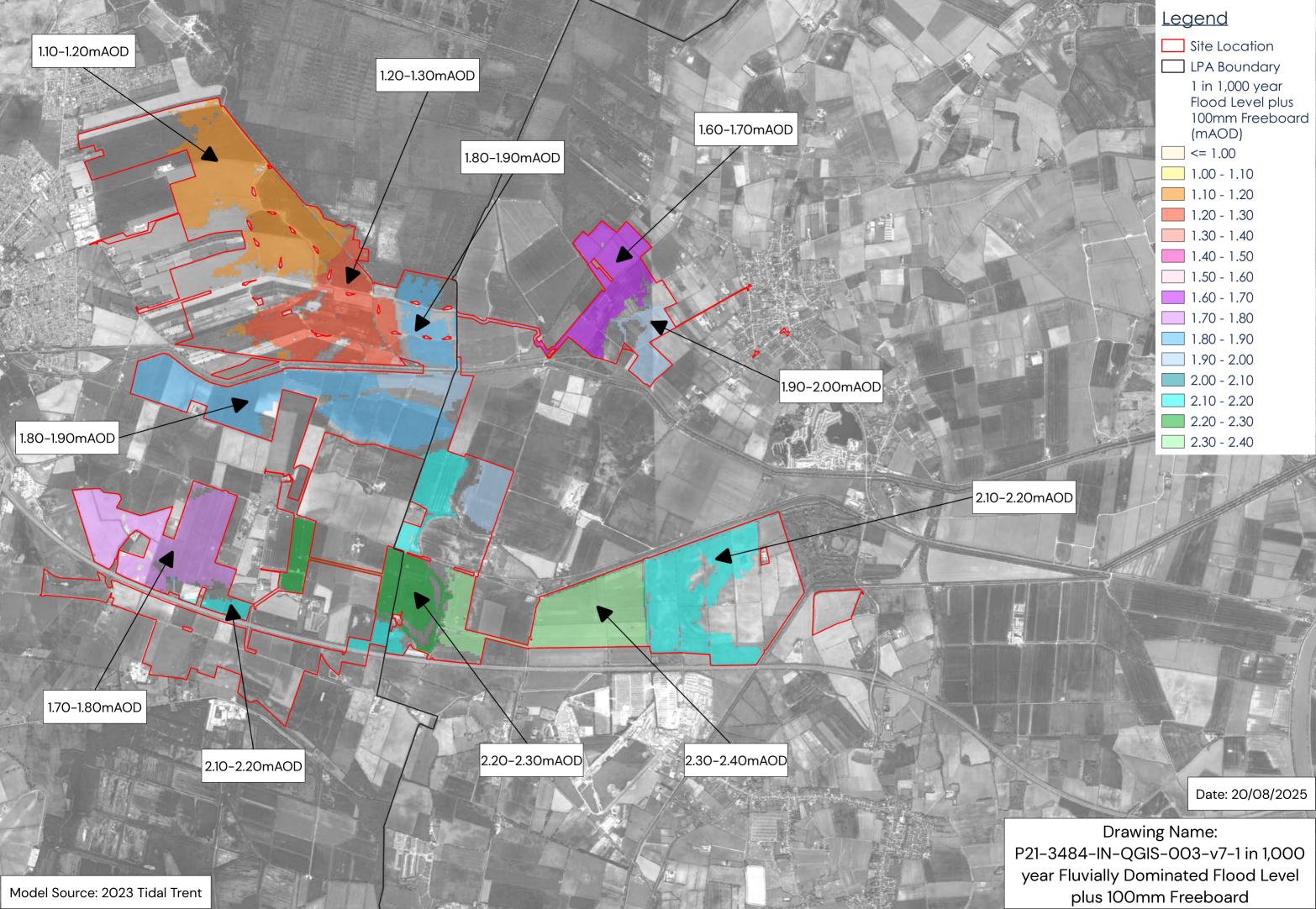
NB: This area is also under the management of **Isle of Axholme and North Nottinghamshire Water Level Management Board.** This is due to the complex drainage system. There is a critical flood level of **4.1m AOD** applied. Here are some useful links: <u>IOAANN - Homepage</u>; <u>NELincs SFRA 2022</u>; <u>Keadby</u>.

Yours sincerely

Customers & Engagement Officer, East Midlands

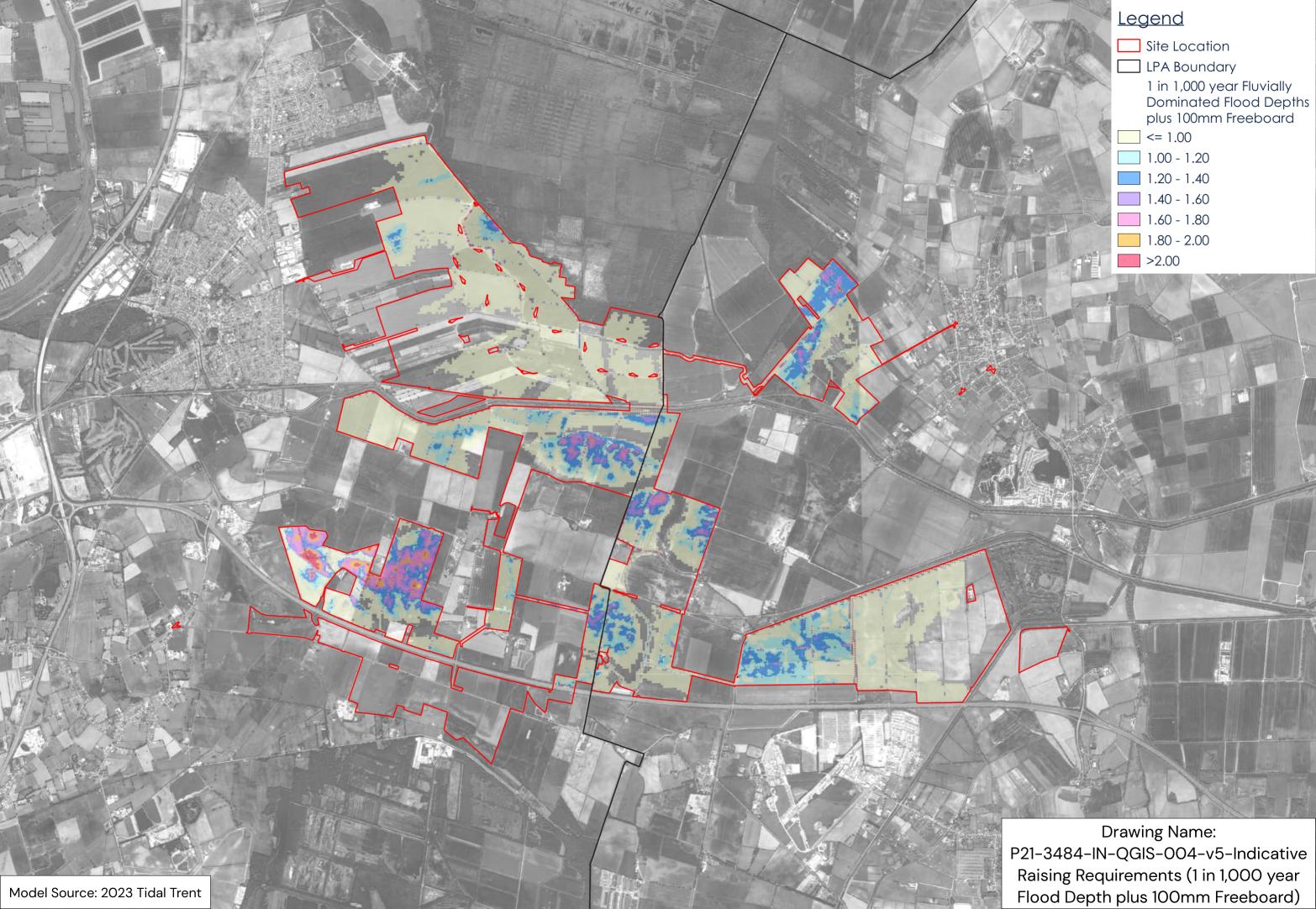


Appendix F – Proposed Raising in mAOD





Appendix G – Proposed Raising Context (Metres Above the Ground)





Appendix H – Flood Emergency Management Plan



Project Name: Tween Bridge Solar Farm

Report Name: Flood Emergency Management Plan

Author: Katie Moore

Date: 21/08/2025

Checked/Approved By: Lucy Ginn/Simon Jacques

Project number: P21-3484

Introduction

The site is located on Land at Tween Bridge, near Thorne in South Yorkshire and is a DCO Application which "would provide consent for the Applicant to construct, operate (including maintain) and decommission Tween Bridge Solar Farm, a solar photovoltaic (PV) array electricity generating facility, Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) and associated infrastructure (the 'Scheme') which would allow for the generation and export of up to 800 MW of electricity".

This Flood Emergency Management Plan (FEMP) has been prepared to demonstrate how users would be safe in a flooding event. The plan provides details about flood alert and warning procedures, safe access and egress, and flood resilience measures to be implemented on site.

Site Location & Site Specific Flood Risk

Site Location

The site is situated between Thorne to the west and Crowle to the east, in the Metropolitan Borough of Doncaster, South Yorkshire. The South Humberside Main Railway Line dissects the site. The M18 is located to the west of the site, whilst the M18O runs through the southern end of the site. The Thorne Moors are located to the north of the site.

The site is approximately 1,831 hectares in area and is currently entirely greenfield. A site location plan is included in **Appendix A**.

Fluvial & Tidal Flood Risk

The majority of the site is located within Flood Zone 3 at High risk of flooding. The Flood Map for Planning is included in **Appendix B**. The Risk of Flooding from Rivers and Seas dataset predicts the vast majority of the site are predicted to have a High likelihood of flooding, predicted to be impacted by a 1 in 30 year flood event and is also included in **Appendix B**.

All proposed solar panels and associated infrastructure will be raised above the modelled fluvially dominated 1 in 1,000 year flood level plus 100mm freeboard allowance. This extreme fluvially dominated flood event is notably worse that than equivalent tidally dominated flood event according to EA data and as such, the proposed mitigated measures will ensure the site remains safe an operational during an extreme fluvial and tidal flood event.

In accordance with the NPPF, the proposed development is defined as 'Essential Infrastructure' which is acceptable in both Flood Zone 3a and Flood Zone 3b, subject to passing the Exception Test therefore this proposal is considered to be acceptable.

This FEMP has been produced to show how users of the proposed development would be safe in the event of fluvial and tidal flooding. The plan provides details about flood alert and warning procedures, safe access and egress, and flood resilience measures which will be undertaken as part of the proposed development.



Surface Water Flood Risk

The new National Flood Risk Assessment (NaFRA2), published in January 2025, has updated the Risk of Flooding from Surface Water (RoFSW) products which show the chance of flooding from surface water to areas of land.

The RoFSW shows large areas of the site are at Very Low risk of surface water flooding, not predicted to be impacted by 1 in 1,000 year rainfall event. There are however areas at the site with a High to Low likelihood of surface water flooding, predicted to be impacted by a 1 in 30 and 1 in 1000 year rainfall event. These at-risk areas are generally focused on isolated low spots and associated with surface water arising within the site boundary itself.

Surface water flood depths on site are generally not predicted to exceed 300mm. Data from the RoFSW dataset is included in **Appendix B**, this includes surface water extents discussed above.

As a precautionary approach, proposed solar panels and infrastructure will be raised above the predicted maximum surface water flood depths on site.

With the above mitigation measures of extensive raising, the proposed development will be acceptable in terms of the flood risk vulnerability classification as defined in the NPPF and will ensure the site is safe and will remain at low risk of flooding.

This FEMP has been produced in order to show how users of the proposed development would be safe in the event of surface water flooding. This includes flood alert and warning procedures, safe access and egress, and flood resilience measures which will be undertaken as part of the proposed development.

Other Sources of Flood Risk

The EA's Historic Flood Map dataset does not record any historic flood events impacting the site (see **Appendix B**) and therefore overall, the historic flood risk to the site is considered to be Low.

The EA's Reservoir Flood Extents shows that the parts of the site are at risk during a 'wet day' (see Appendix B). The site is not shown to be at risk during a 'dry day' when local rivers are not overflowing their banks. The North and North East Lincolnshire Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA; 2022) states that "reservoir flooding is extremely rare in the UK due to very strict regulations and mandatory assessments". As such, the likelihood and risk of a catastrophic reservoir breach occurring at the site is considered to be Very Low. The Stainforth and Keadby Canal runs through the centre of the site, roughly in line with the South Humberside Main Railway Line. The SFRA (2022) advises that this canal is managed by British Waterways and only highlights flood risk associated with the canal where it is influenced by the River Ouse and River Don, which are both located a notable distance from the site. The site is considered to be at Very Low risk of flooding from artificial sources.

The hydrogeology 625K digital hydrogeological map of the UK defines the eastern half of the site to be underlain by a "low productivity aquifer", and the western half of the site to be underlain by a 'highly productive aquifer'. The British Geological Survey highlights that mudstone bedrock geology lies across the eastern half of the site, and sandstone across the western half of the site. It is considered likely that the sandstone in the west will be permeable, whilst the mudstone in the east is expected to be impermeable. There is potential for groundwater emergence where these two bedrocks meet. Soilscapes data also details the presence of clayey soils across parts of the site, which will act to reduce the risk of groundwater emergence. Given the significant number of watercourses on site and in the surrounding area, it is considered unlikely that groundwater would rise above the fluvially influenced flood levels on site and therefore the risk of groundwater flooding is considered to be Low.

The Doncaster MBC Level 1 Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (2015) interactive mapping does not show any recorded flood events from the Severn Trent Water Floods Register that impact the site. As the site is entirely greenfield, it is unlikely that there is an existing underground drainage network located within the site boundary. Additionally, any flood water from sewers in the close vicinity of the site would follow



local topography and would not be expected to accumulate within the site boundary. The risk of flooding from sewers to the site is therefore considered to be Low.

Flood Warnings

The majority of the site is located within an Environment Agency Flood Warning Area associated with the River Trent as shown in **Appendix B**. The site is also located within a Flood Alert Area.

All site users will sign up to the Environment Agency's free flood warning service to receive all levels of possible warnings including: a Flood Alert, Flood Warning and Severe Flood Warning. Warnings can be issued by the Environment Agency via text, email, mobile, landline or fax. The Environment Agency's website will also be monitored regularly for new warnings/updates.

Table 1 below details the actions that will be taken by site users following receipt of one of the various Environment Agency Flood Warnings. This information has been taken from the gov.uk guidance on "flood alerts and warnings: what they are and what to do".

There will be a designated user of the site which will be confirmed at a later date, post consent of the DCO who will be responsible for ensuring other site users sign up for flood warnings and are aware of the protocols detailed in Table 1 below and further below in this document.

Table 1 – Flood Warnings & Associated Information

Type of Flood Warning & Associated Message	Timings of Warning	What is at Risk / What May Happen	Action for Designated Responsible Person	EA Advised Action
Flood Alert Flooding is possible. Prepare now.	Usually between 2 and 12 hours before flooding.	Fields, recreational land and carparks. Minor roads. Farmland. Coastal areas affected by spray or waves overtopping.	Be aware of water levels. Keep up to date with weather and flood warnings. Ensure all site users are aware of the flood alert. Prepare for possible evacuation.	Be ready to follow your flood plan. Have insurance documents and any medications ready. Avoid walking, cycling or driving through any flood water. Move any livestock and farming equipment away from areas likely to flood.
Flood Warning Flooding is expected. Act now.	Usually between 30 minutes to 2 hours before flooding.	Homes and businesses. Railway lines and infrastructure. Roads. Coastal areas affected by	Recommended to evacuate all site users from the site before safe access and egress is lost.	Protect yourselves and your loved ones. Move your loved ones, pets and valuables to a safe place. Move to higher ground or the upper flood of a building.



		spray or waves overtopping. Flood plains, including caravan park and campsites. Major tourist and leisure attractions.	Check water levels before driving. Secure the building following evacuation.	Turn off the gas, electricity and water in your home if it's safe. Put flood protection equipment in place. Do as the emergency services tell you. Help others if it's safe to do so.
Severe Flood Warning Severe flooding — flooding could cause risk to life and significant disruption to communities. Act now.	When flooding threatens life and communities.	Deep and fast-flowing water. Dangerous debris in the water. Buildings collapsing or at risk of collapsing. Communities unable to escape. Infrastructure not working, like gas, electricity, and water. The evacuation of lots of people.	Recommended to evacuate all site users from the site before safe access and egress is lost. Check water levels before driving. Secure the building following evacuation.	Stay in a safe place. Be ready to evacuate your home. Do as the emergency services tell you. Call 999 if you are in immediate danger. If you are caught in a flash flood move to higher ground of the upper floor of a building if it's safe.
All Clear Status Flood Alerts/Warnings are no longer in force in the area.			Keep updated on weather reports. Only return to site if informed it is safe to do so. Beware of debris and pollution in flood waters.	



Safe Access & Egress

During a major flood event, a safe and well organised evacuation of site users will take place. The main flood risk to the site is expected to be fluvial and surface water as discussed above.

Following receipt of a Flood Alert, the designated person responsible will monitor for any updates from the Environment Agency. Should a Flood Alert be escalated to a Flood Warning, the designated person responsible will advise all site users of the threat of flooding and evacuation procedures should be actioned (detailed below).

If the Environment Agency issue a Flood Warning or Severe Flood Warning, the designated person responsible will inform site users of the need to evacuate the site at the nearest exit. There is likely to be several hours warning before flood waters would be expected to impact the site.

The following evacuation protocols should also be noted:

- The designated person responsible will announce the need for a site evacuation.
- The designated person responsible will reassure site users that they are not in immediate danger and that the evacuation is a precaution.
- If safe to do so, the designated person responsible will turn off key services such as water, gas and electricity.
- Priority for additional help will be given to disabled site users.
- The designated person responsible will ensure the site is clear.
- All staff will be sent home.

Resistance & Resilience

Preventative measures identified which may help the site's resistance and resilience to flooding are listed below:

- Local electrical circuits could be isolated if flood waters have entered any buildings.
- Raising electrical equipment above the predicted fluvial and surface water flood depths.

Responsibilities & Annual Review Requirements

It is important for it to be clearly defined who is responsible for implementing and maintaining the FEMP at the site and for ensuring all site users are aware of the strategy, including new site users. There will be a designated responsible person for this. This person will be confirmed at a later stage but is expected to be whoever is responsible for site operation following the proposed redevelopment.

The FEMP will be reviewed annually at a minimum. The following checks will be complete by the designated person responsible:

- Update contact numbers.
- Contact the EA or Council to understand if predicted flood risk has changed.
- Contact the EA to ensure site users are registered to received Flood Alerts and Flood Warnings.
- Carry out a test of the plan with site users to ensure they are familiar with the plan and associated procedures.

Flood Evacuation Kits will also be checked at least annually. The following items will be included within Flood Evacuation Kits:

Torch – in case of loss of power.



- Rechargeable radio to remain up to date with flood/weather updates.
- High visibility clothing to be used in times of evacuation during low light.
- Waterproof clothing to be used in times of evacuation during poor weather.
- First aid kit to be used in case of emergency.
- List of important numbers e.g. Environment Agency Floodline, emergency services, utility providers.
- Bottled water.

Additional Guidance

- 1. Do not walk through flowing water currents can be deceptive and knock you off your feet.
- 2. Do not swim through fast flowing water you may get swept away or struck by an object in the water
- 3. Check the depth of standing water before walking through it.
- 4. Do not drive through a flooded area depths of over 0.5m can carry a car away.
- 5. Avoid contact with flood water this may be contaminated.

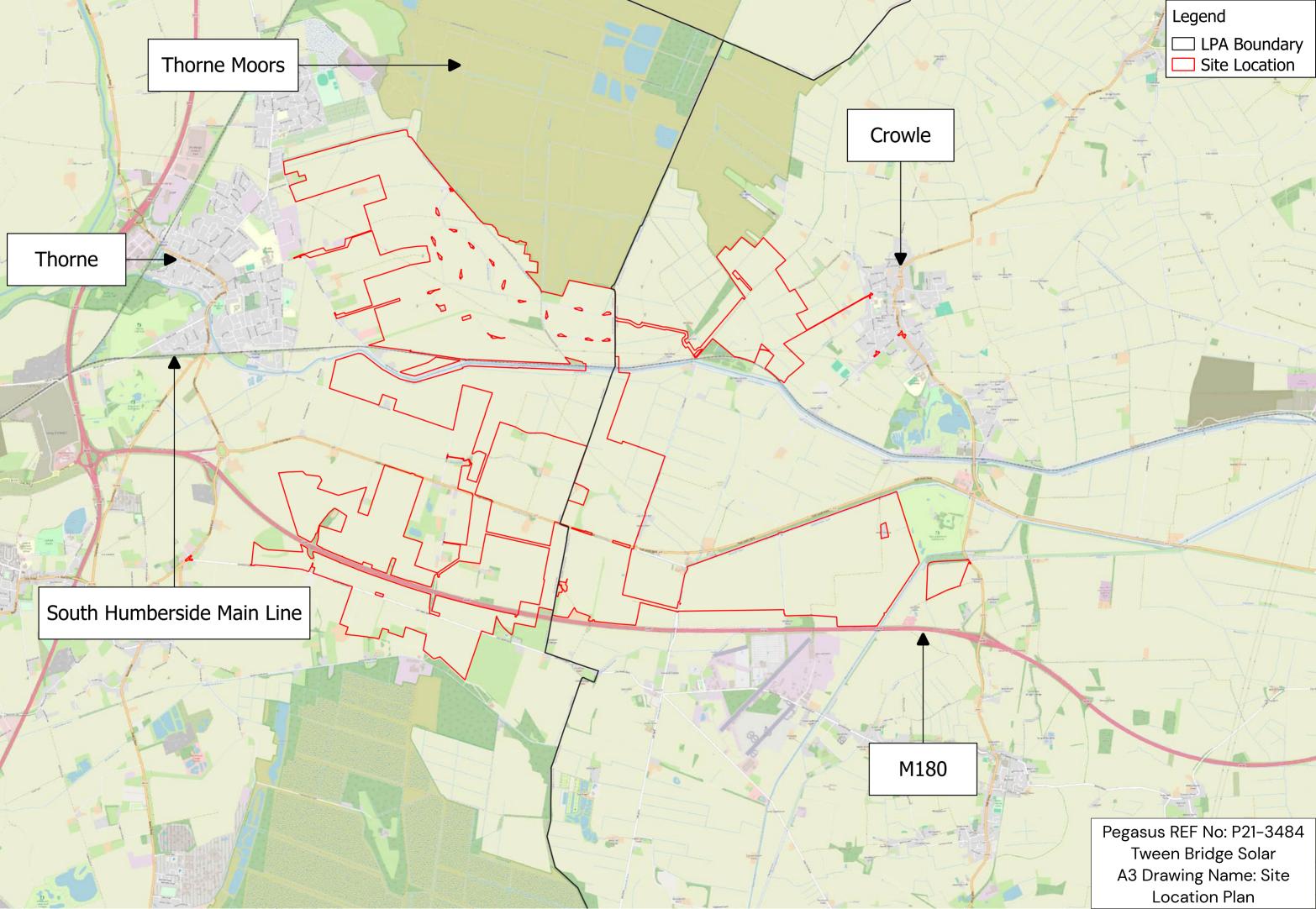


Appendices

- A) Site Location
- B) Flood Risk Plans

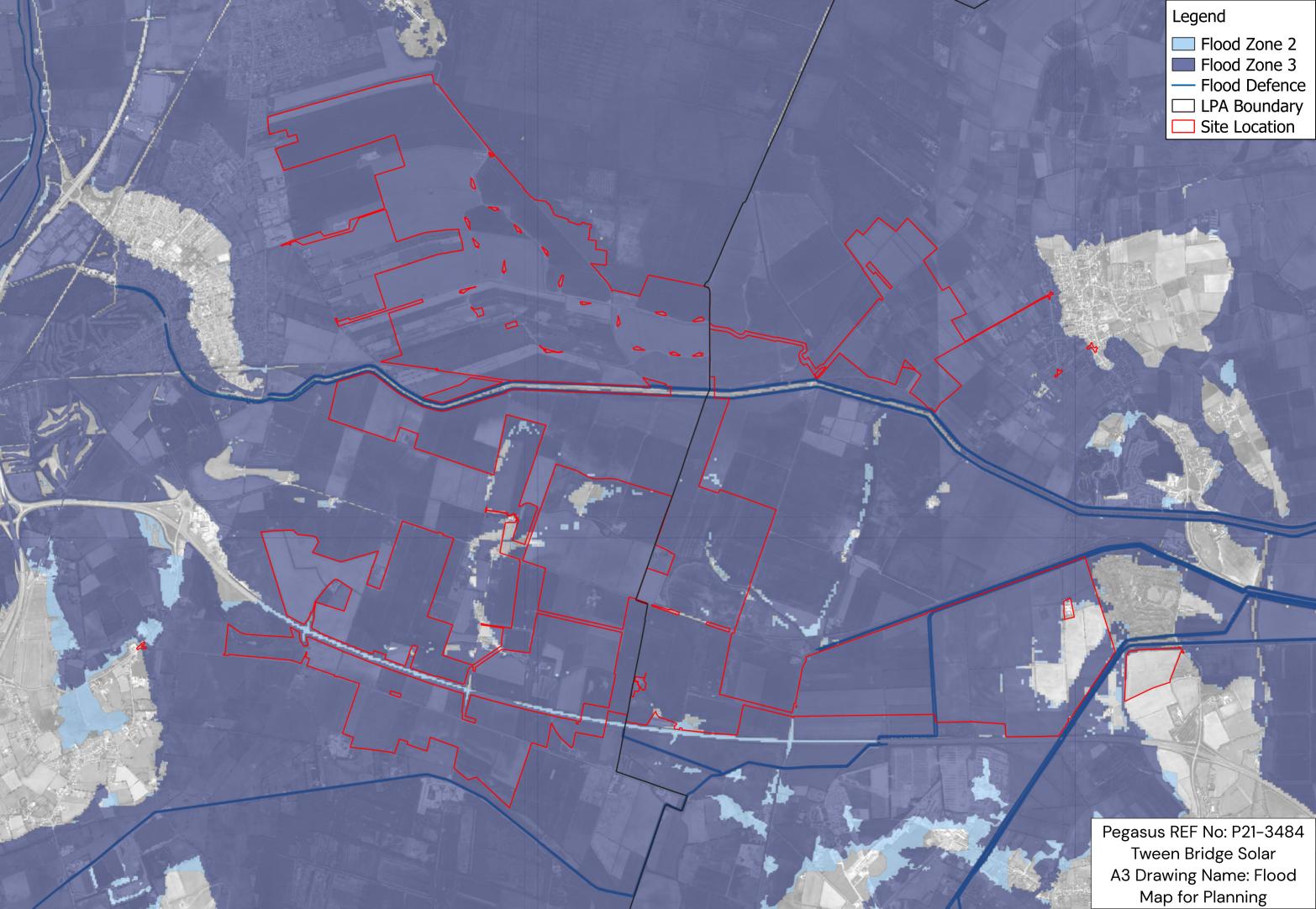


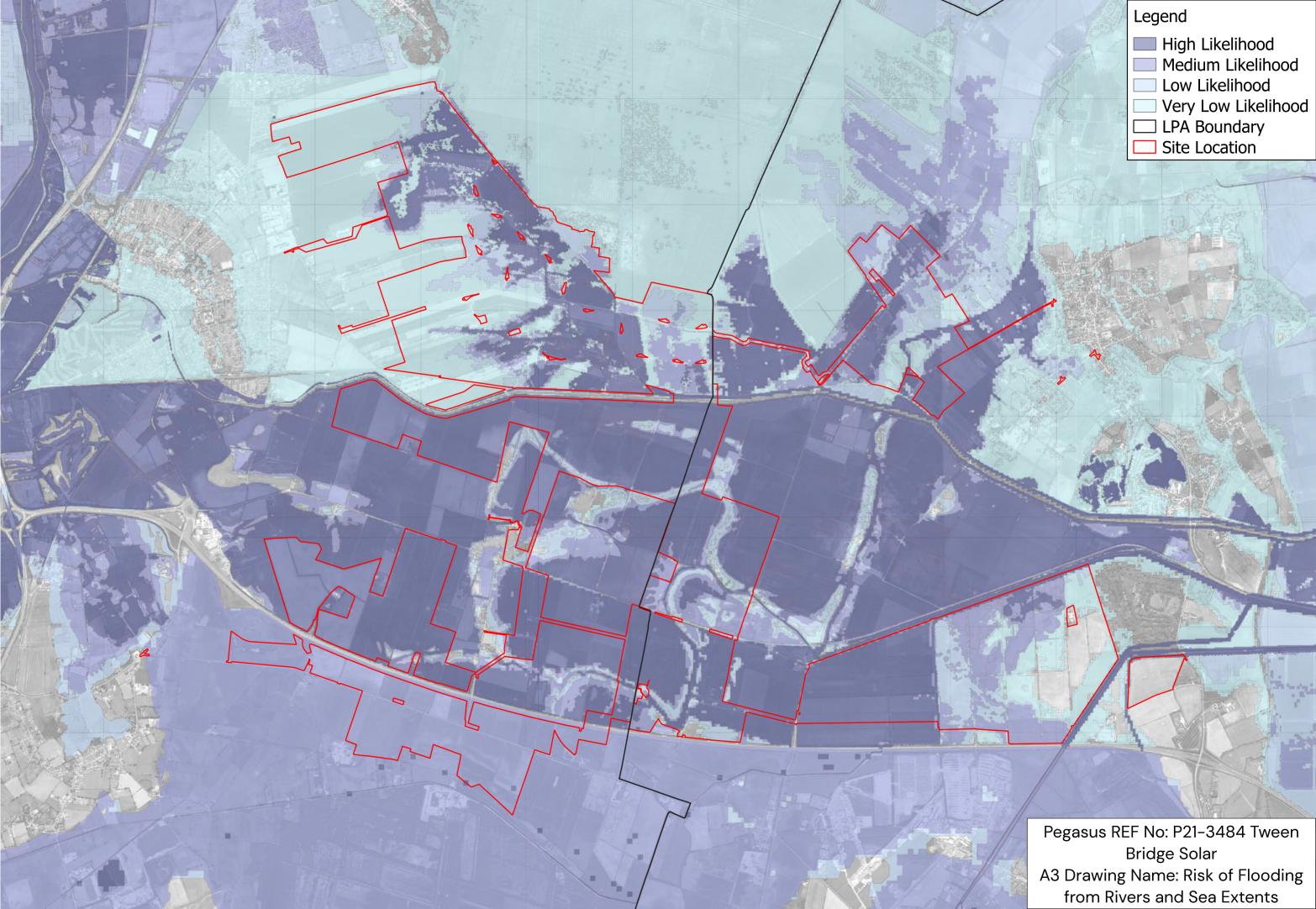
Appendix A - Site Location

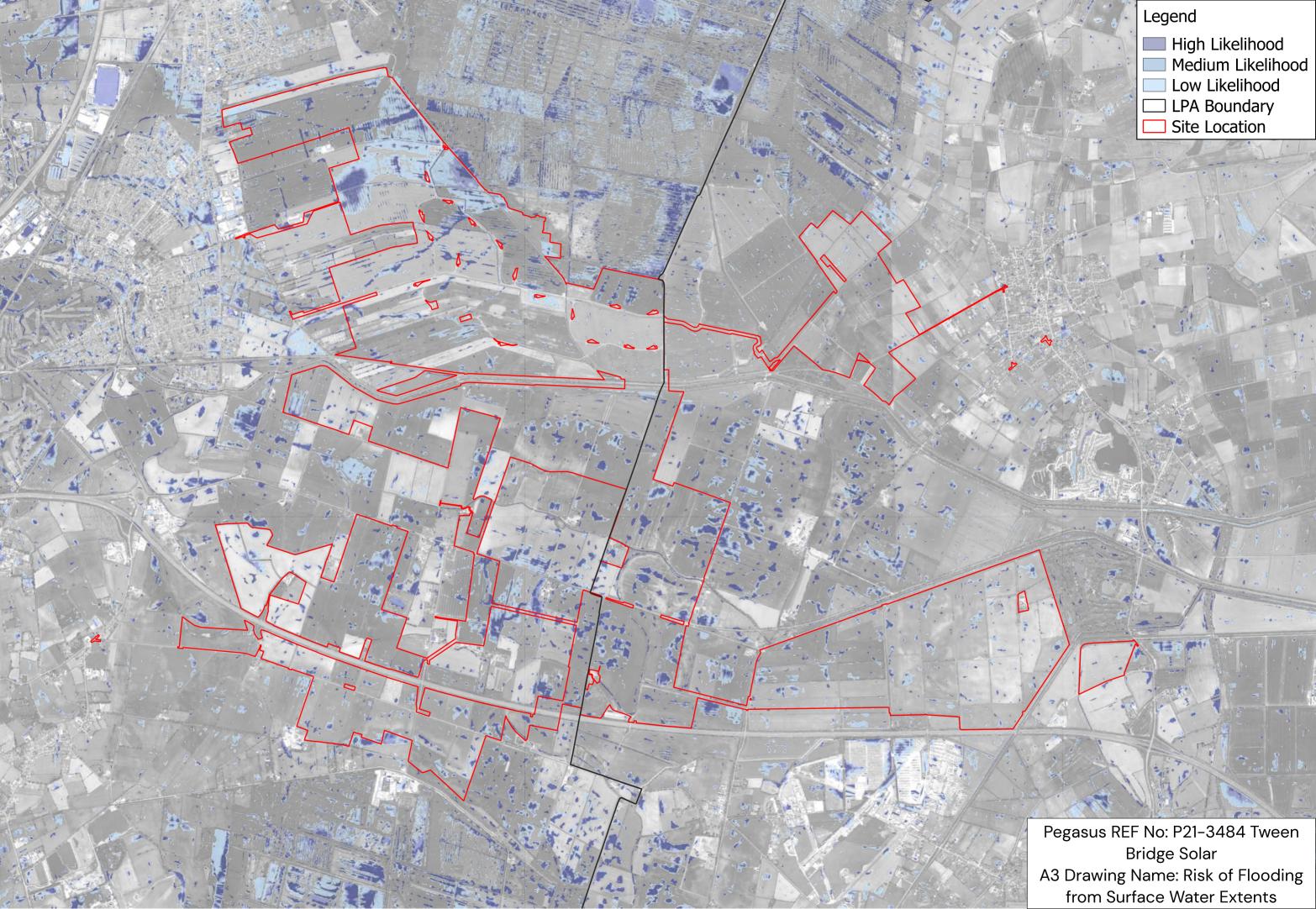


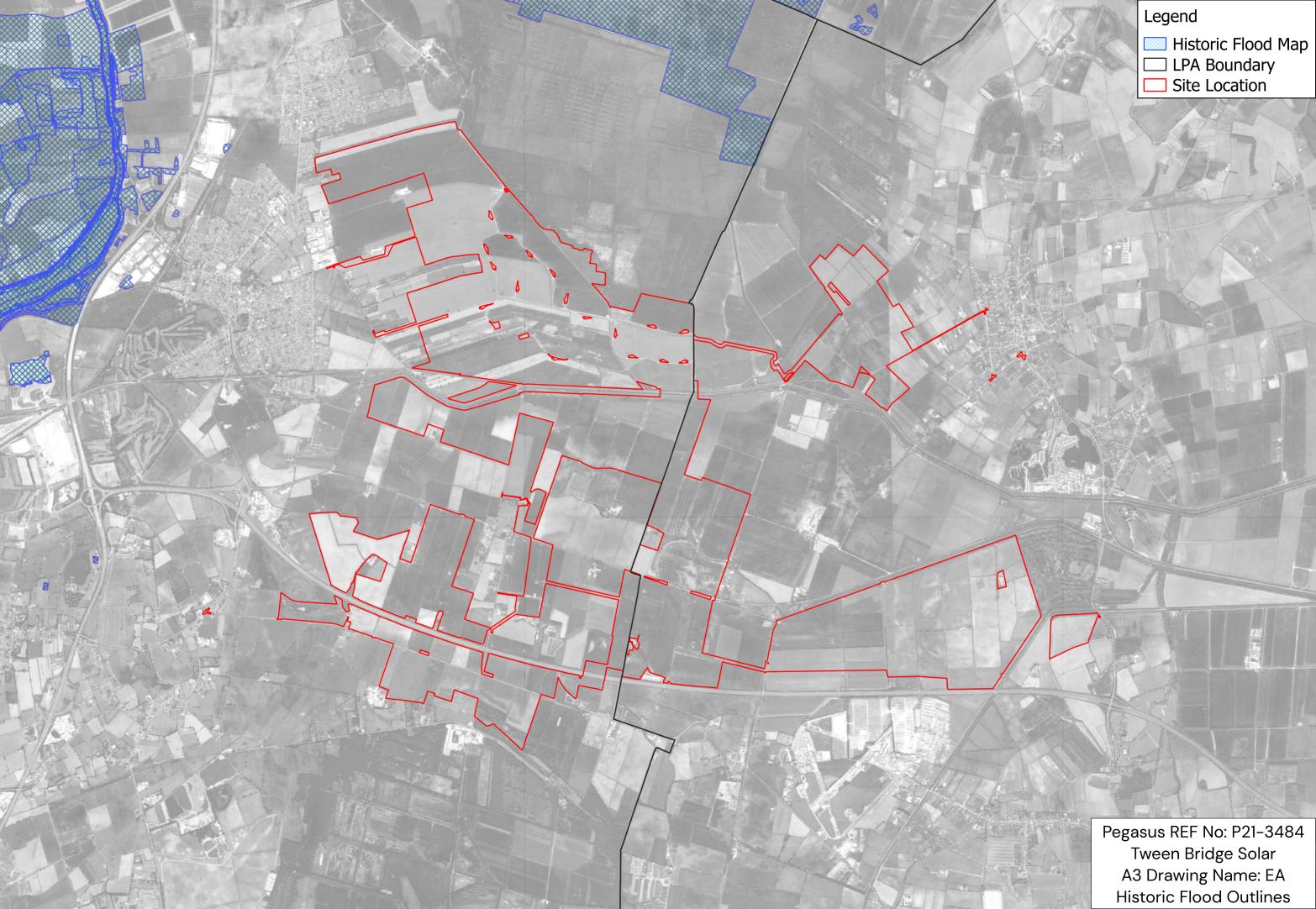


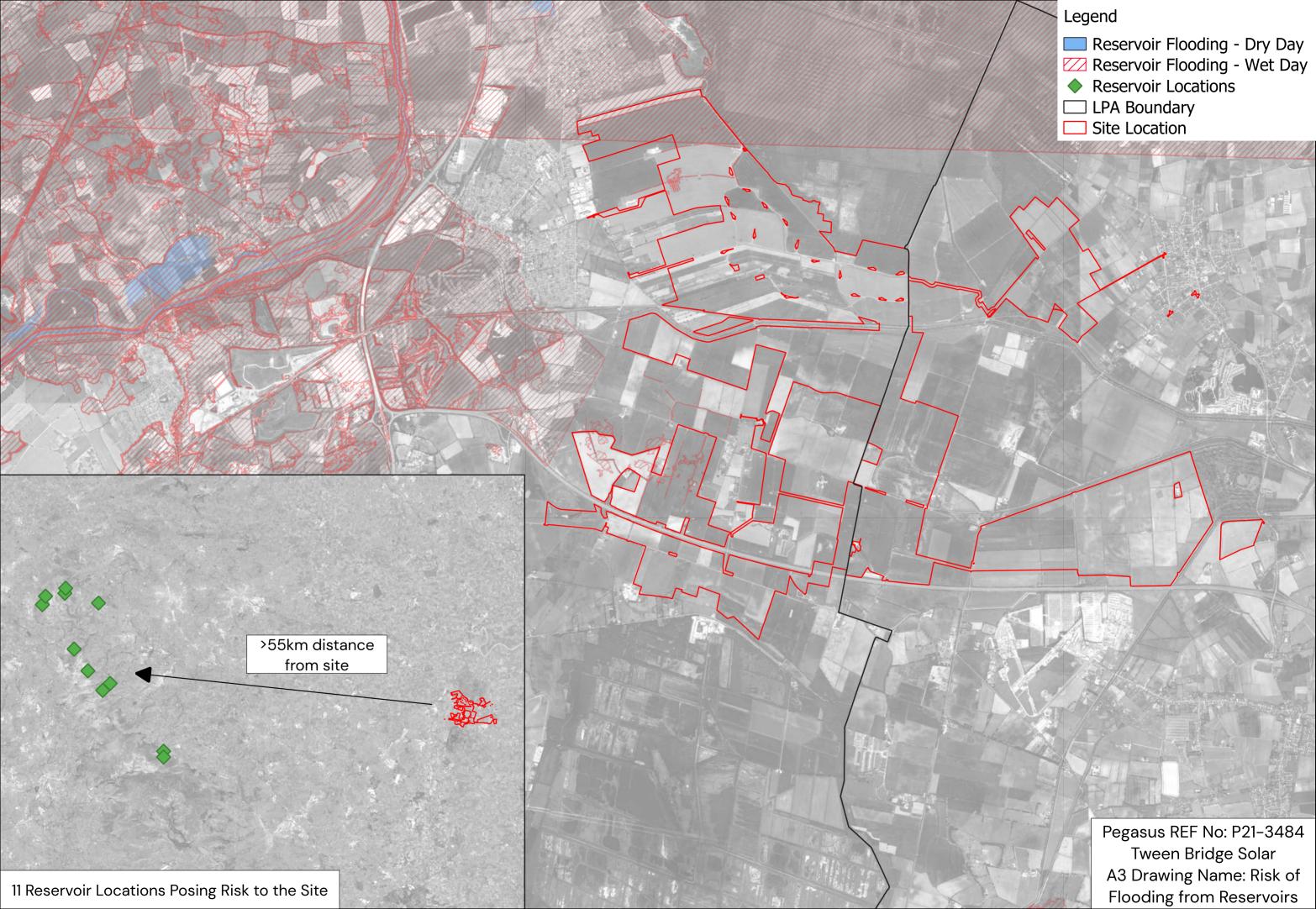
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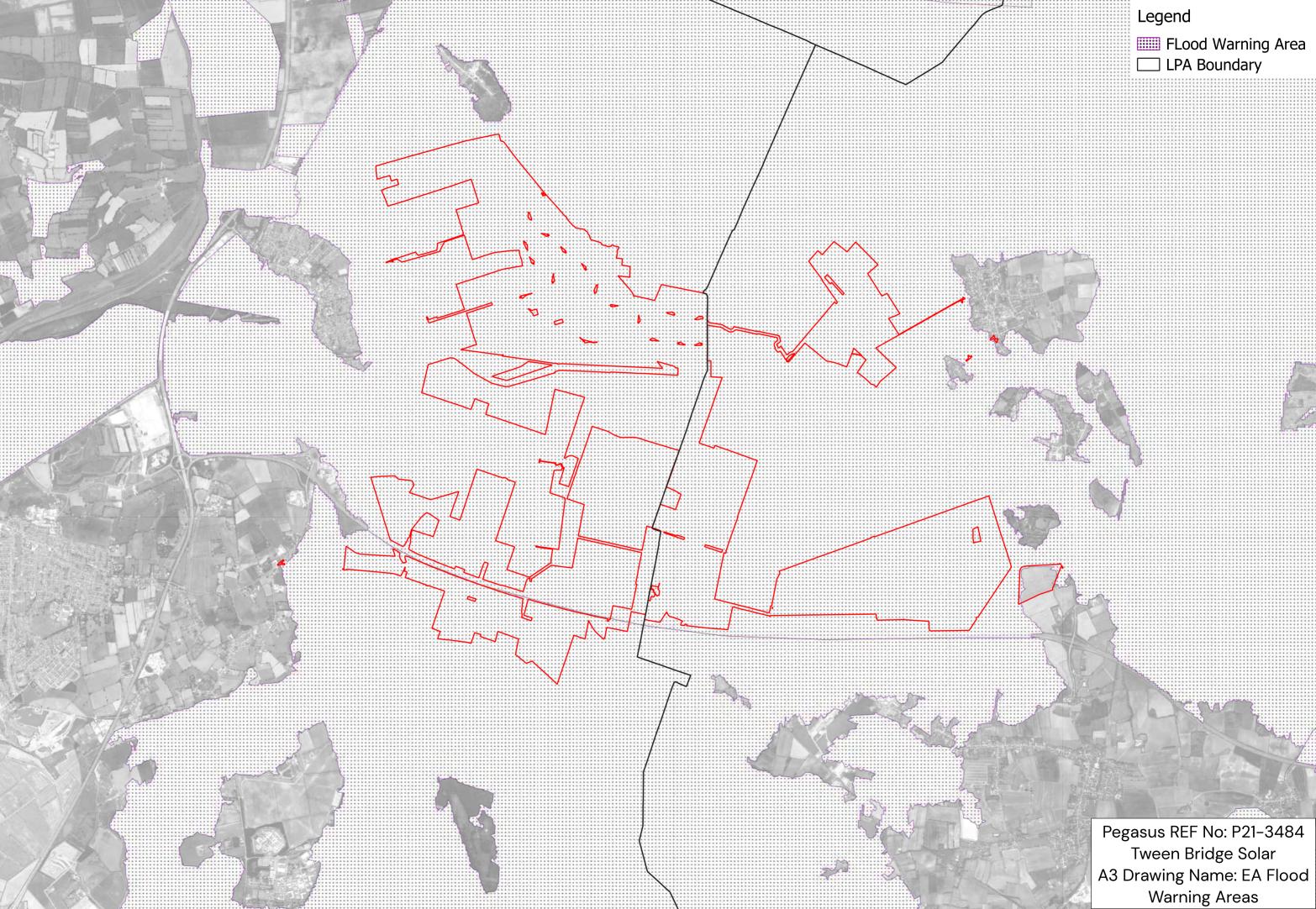






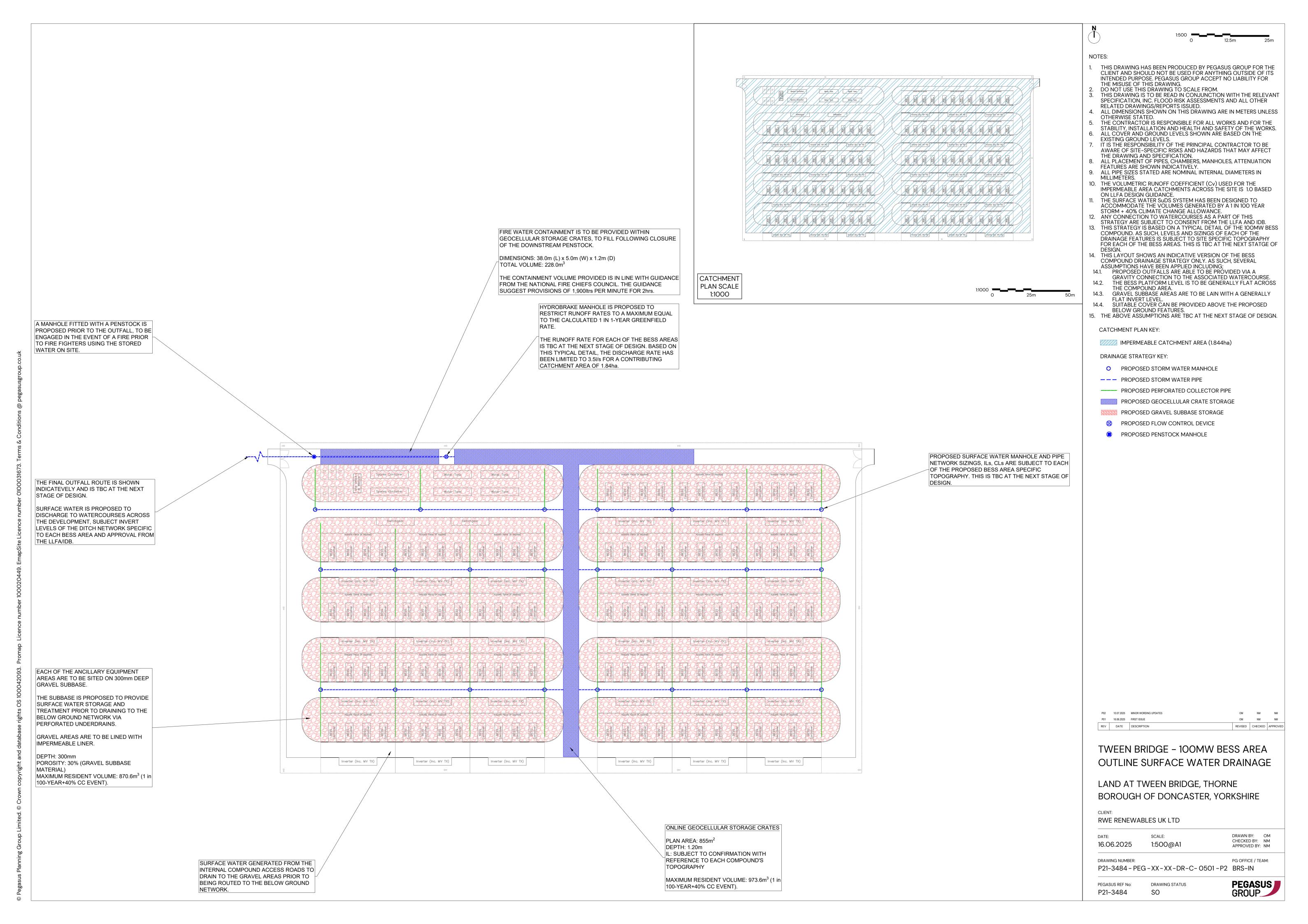


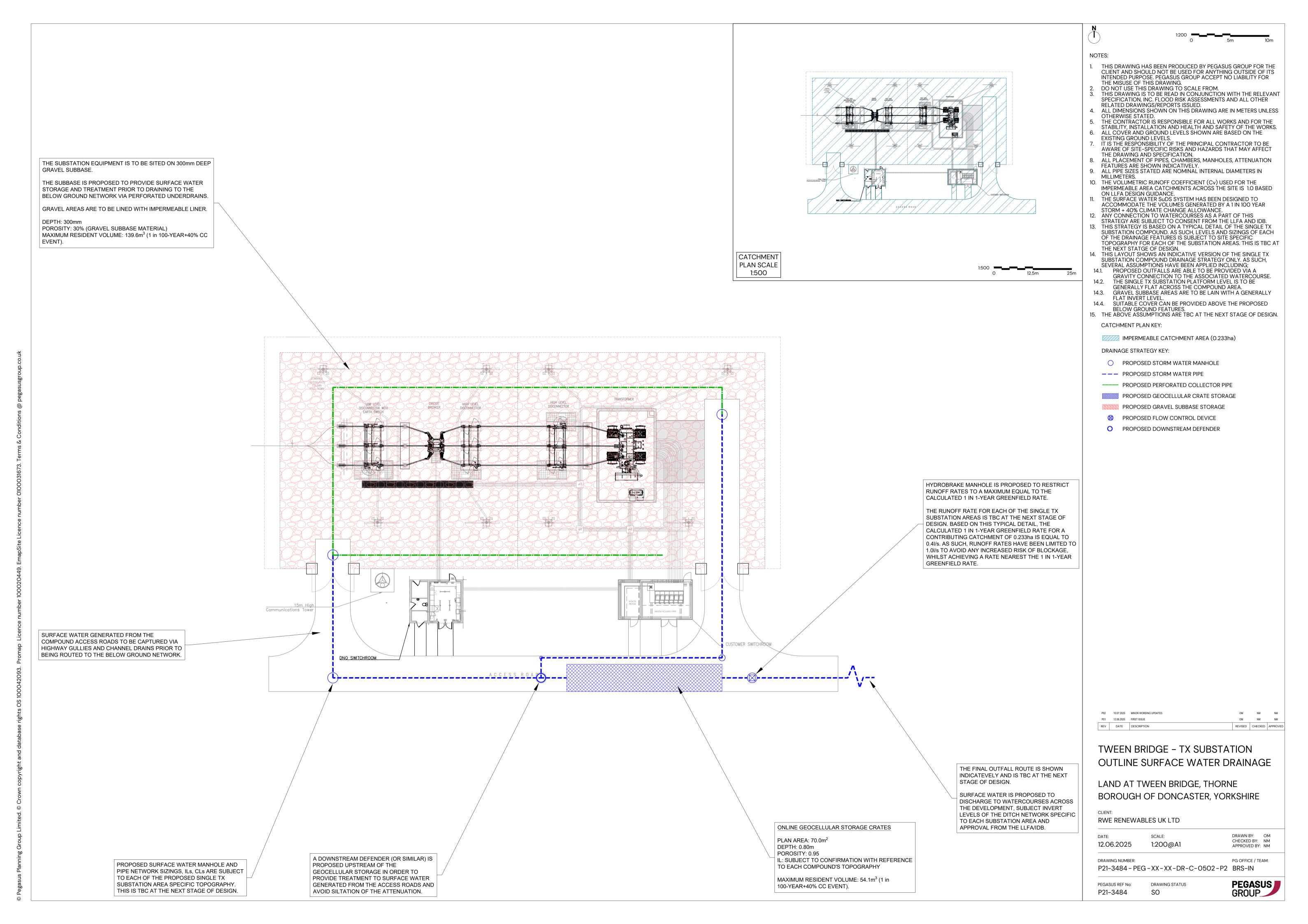


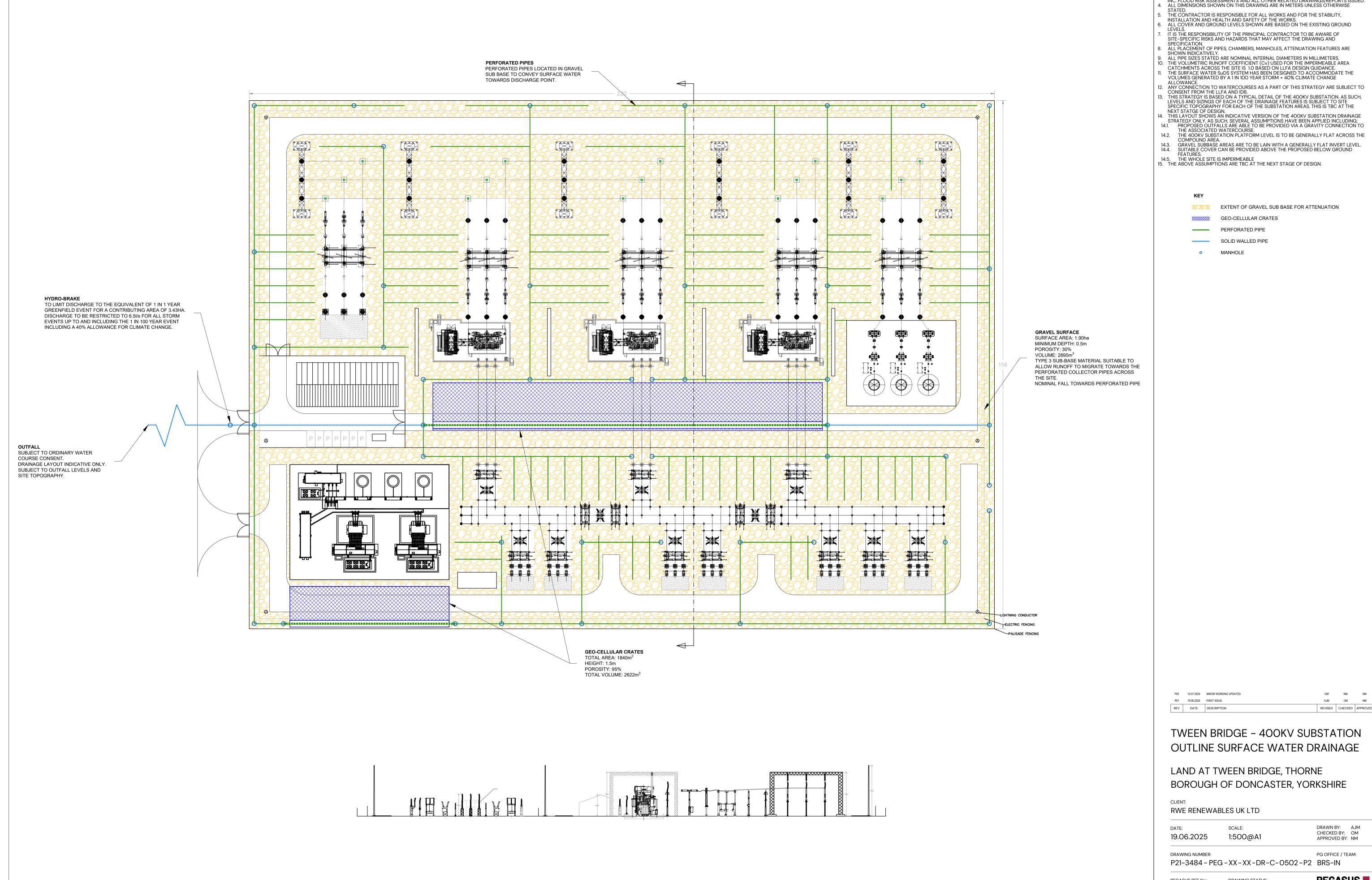




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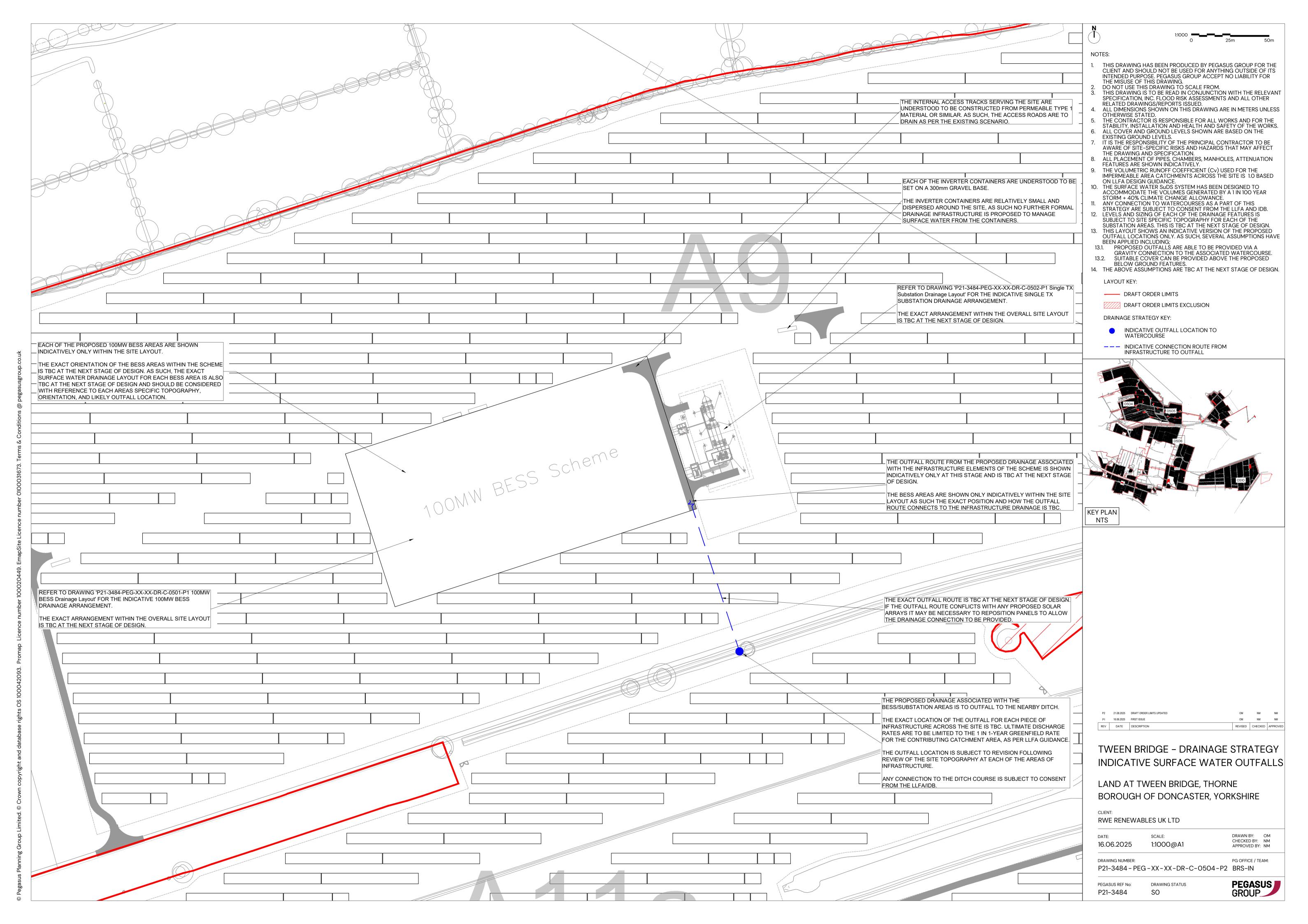
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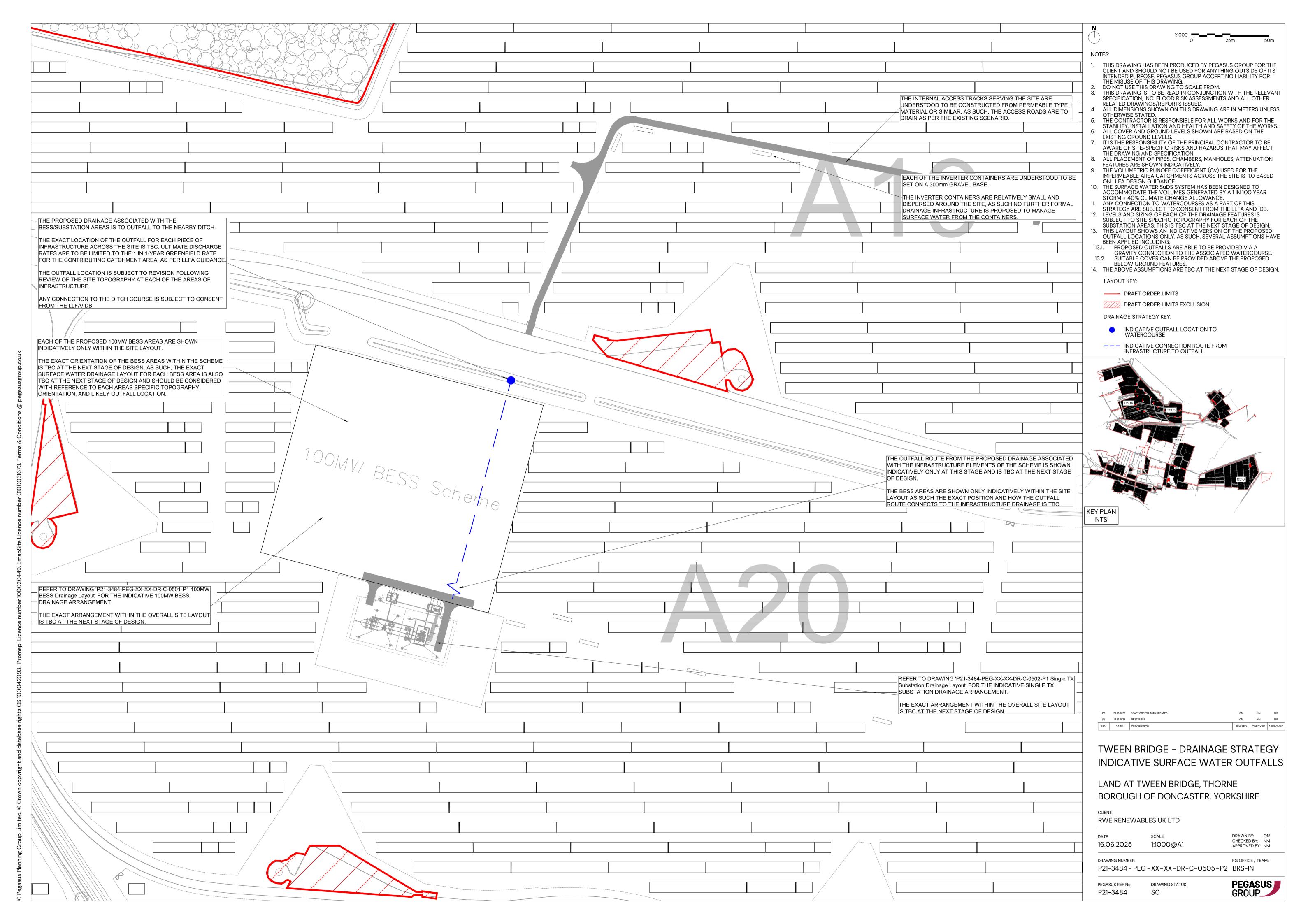
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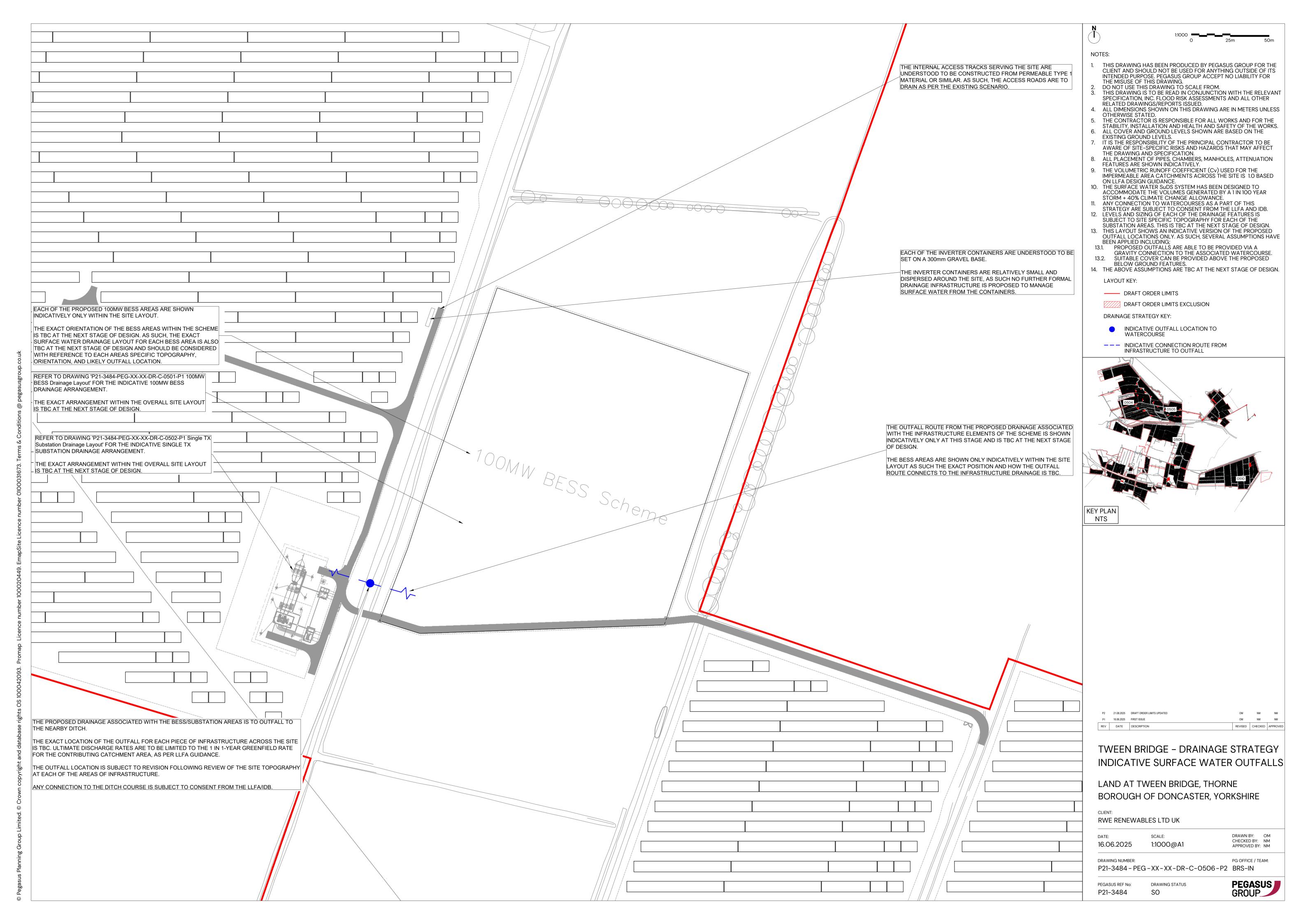
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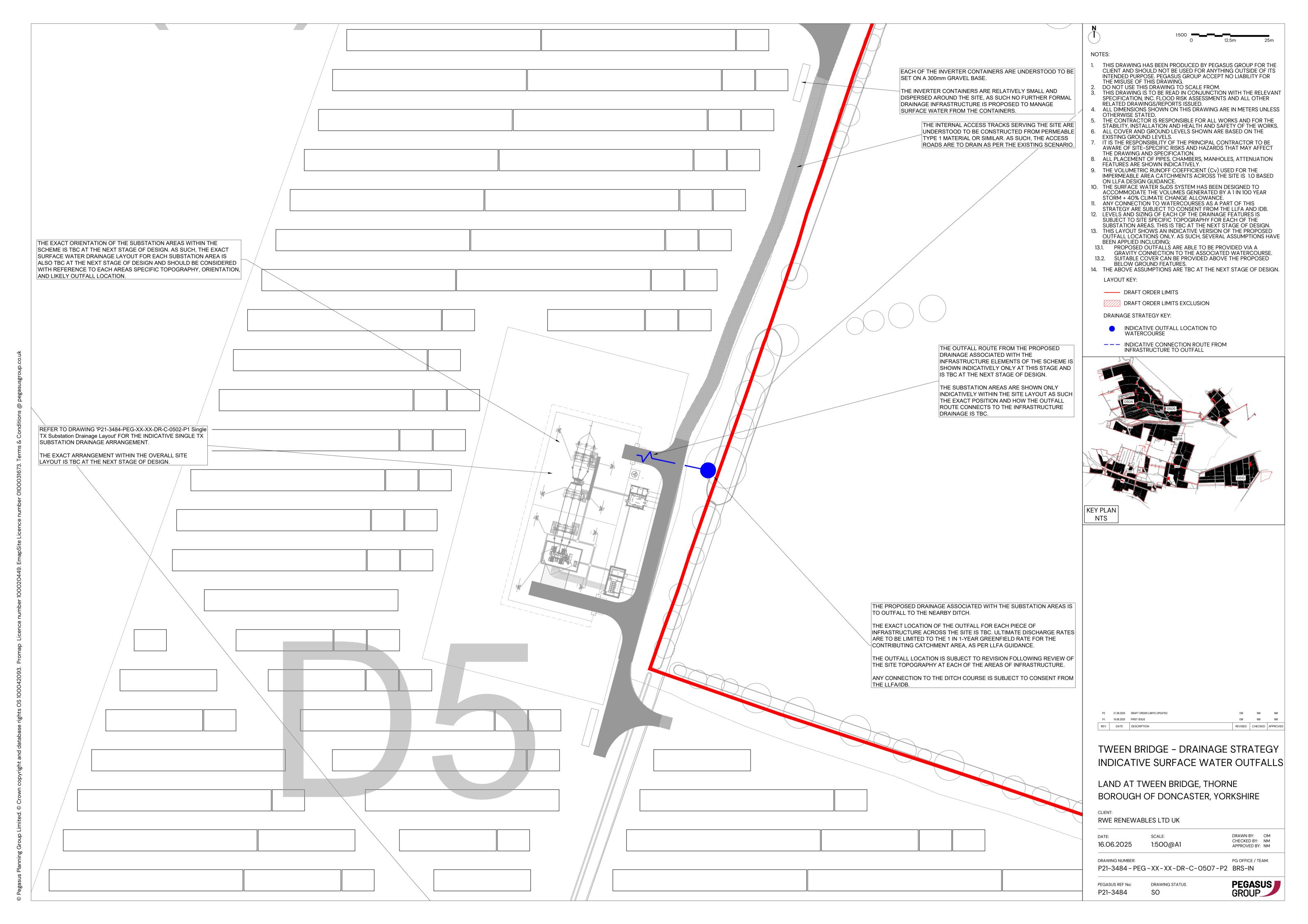
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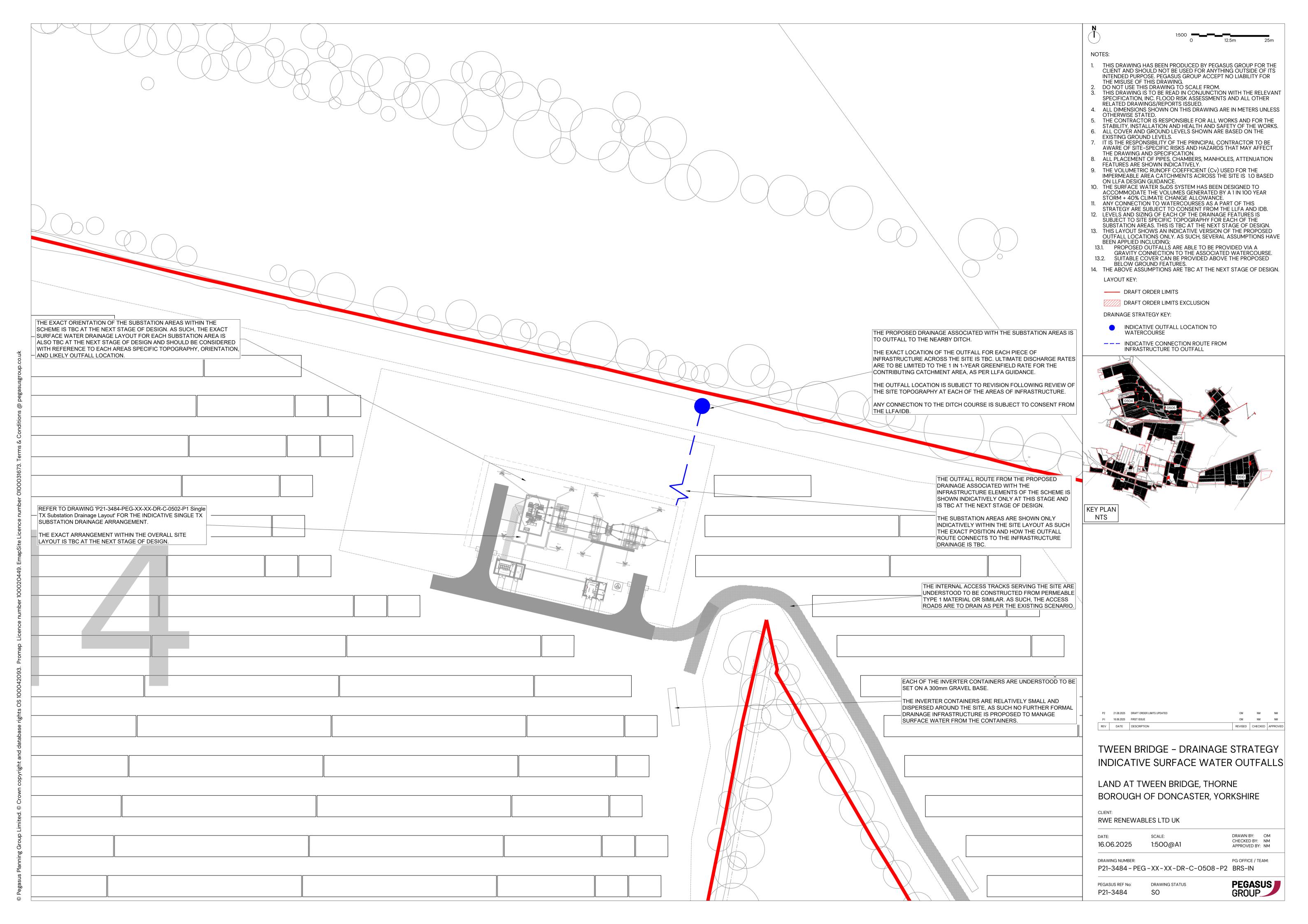


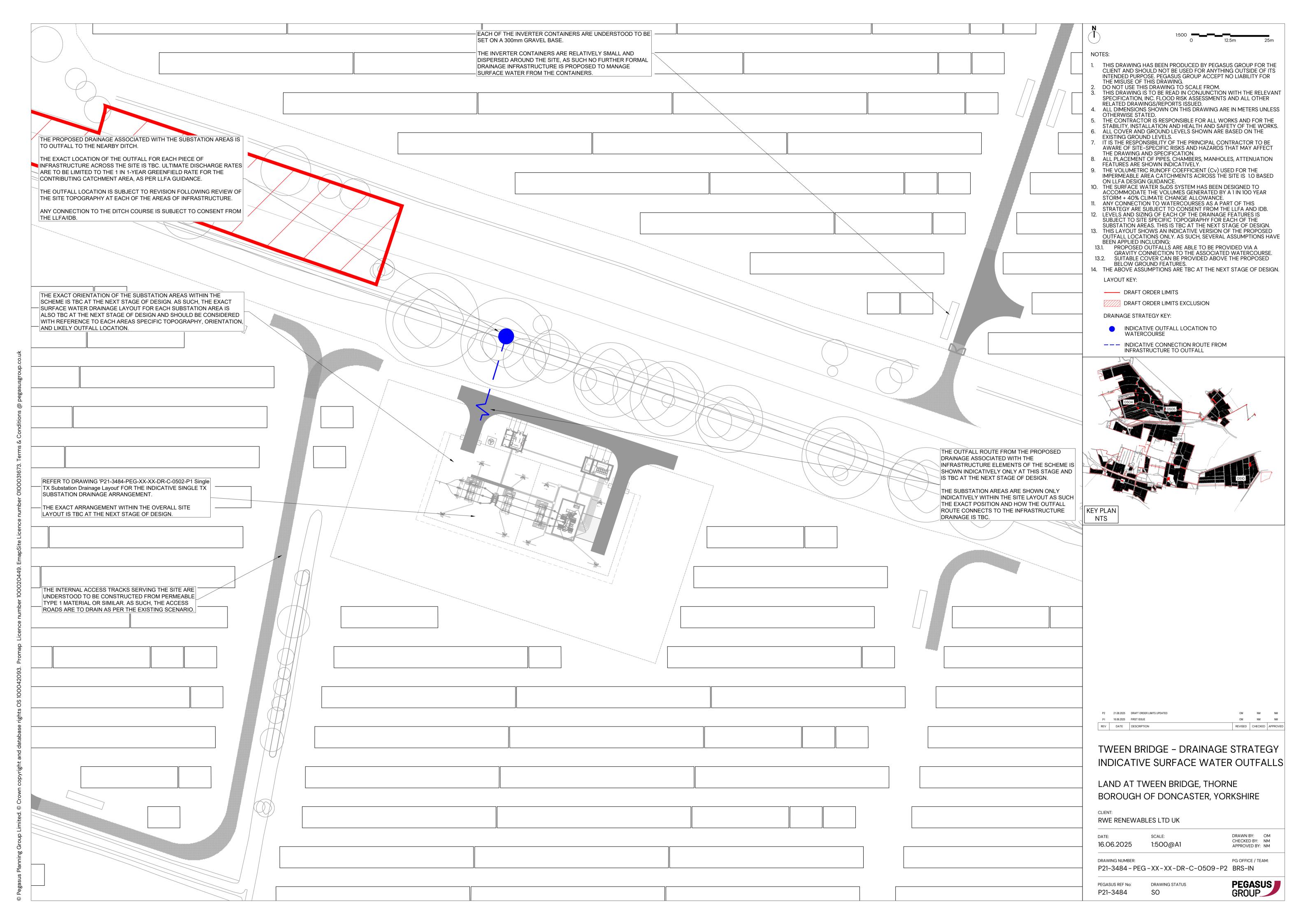
















Appendix J – Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy Calculations



Greenfield runoff rate estimation tool

hrwallingford www.uksuds.com | Greenfield runoff rate estimation tool (https://www.uksuds.com/)

This is an estimation of the greenfield runoff rates that are used to meet normal best practice criteria in line with Environment Agency guidance "Rainfall runoff management for developments", SC030219 (2013), the SuDS Manual C753 (CIRIA, 2015) and the non-statutory standards for SuDS (Defra, 2015). This information on greenfield runoff rates may be the basis for setting consents for the drainage of surface water runoff from sites.

Project details

Date 11/06/2025 Calculated by OM Reference P21-3484 Model version 2.0.1

Location

Site name

Site location

TWEEN BRIDGE

THORNE, SOUTH YORKSHIRE



Site easting

Site northing

473603 411330

Site details

Total site area (ha)

Greenfield runoff				
Method				
Method	FEH statistical			
FEH statistical				
	<u>My value</u>		<u>Map value</u>	
SAAR (mm)	579	mm		579
BFIHOST	0.439			
QMed-QBar conversion	1.124			1.124
QMed (I/s)	2	I/s		
QBar (FEH statistical) (I/s)	2.2	l/s		
Growth curve factors				
	<u>My value</u>		<u>Map value</u>	
Hydrological region	4			4
1 year growth factor	0.83			
2 year growth factor	0.89			
10 year growth factor	1.49			
30 year growth factor	2			
100 year growth factor	2.57			
200 year growth factor	3.04			
Results				
Method	FEH statistical			
Flow rate 1 year (I/s)	1.9	I/s		
Flow rate 2 year (I/s)	2	I/s		
Flow rate 10 years (I/s)	3.4	I/s		
Flow rate 30 years (I/s)	4.5	I/s		
Flow rate 100 years (I/s)	5.8	l/s		
Flow rate 200 years (I/s)	6.8	I/s		
The use of this tool is subject to the UK SuD	eld runoff rate estimation tool (2.0.1) develope S terms and conditions and licence agreements). The outputs from this tool have been used t	t, which can both be f	ound at uksuds.	com/terms-conditions

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Summary of Results for 100 year Return Period (+40%)

Half Drain Time : 4339 minutes.

	Storm	ı	Max	Max	Max	Max		Max	Max	Status
	Event		Level	Depth	${\tt Infiltration}$	Control	Σ	Outflow	Volume	
			(m)	(m)	(l/s)	(1/s)		(1/s)	(m³)	
15	min S	Summer	99.206	0.706	0.0	6.5		6.5	1234.9	O K
30	min S	Summer	99.439	0.939	0.0	6.5		6.5	1641.8	O K
60	min S	Summer	99.550	1.050	0.0	6.5		6.5	2064.4	O K
120	min S	Summer	99.596	1.096	0.0	6.5		6.5	2407.8	O K
180	min S	Summer	99.620	1.120	0.0	6.5		6.5	2587.8	O K
240	min S	Summer	99.636	1.136	0.0	6.5		6.5	2707.8	O K
360	min S	Summer	99.657	1.157	0.0	6.5		6.5	2866.9	O K
480	min S	Summer	99.671	1.171	0.0	6.5		6.5	2964.2	O K
600	min S	Summer	99.679	1.179	0.0	6.5		6.5	3029.4	O K
720	min S	Summer	99.685	1.185	0.0	6.5		6.5	3074.9	ОК
960	min S	Summer	99.693	1.193	0.0	6.5		6.5	3130.0	O K
1440	min S	Summer	99.698	1.198	0.0	6.5		6.5	3169.4	O K
2160	min S	Summer	99.695	1.195	0.0	6.5		6.5	3148.1	O K
2880	min S	Summer	99.687	1.187	0.0	6.5		6.5	3084.2	ОК
4320	min S	Summer	99.666	1.166	0.0	6.5		6.5	2932.8	O K
5760	min S	Summer	99.652	1.152	0.0	6.5		6.5	2824.2	O K
7200	min S	Summer	99.642	1.142	0.0	6.5		6.5	2755.0	O K
8640	min S	Summer	99.636	1.136	0.0	6.5		6.5	2704.6	ОК
10080	min S	Summer	99.630	1.130	0.0	6.5		6.5	2662.6	ОК
15	min V	Winter	99.206	0.706	0.0	6.5		6.5	1234.9	ОК

	Stor	m	Rain	Flooded	Discharge	Time-Peak
	Even	t	(mm/hr)	Volume	Volume	(mins)
				(m³)	(m³)	
15	min	Summer	155.749	0.0	512.0	19
30	min	Summer	101.899	0.0	473.9	34
60	min	Summer	63.594	0.0	989.0	64
120	min	Summer	37.131	0.0	1032.4	124
180	min	Summer	26.722	0.0	1050.4	184
240	min	Summer	21.079	0.0	1057.6	244
360	min	Summer	15.049	0.0	1063.2	364
480	min	Summer	11.807	0.0	1064.6	484
600	min	Summer	9.769	0.0	1064.2	604
720	min	Summer	8.363	0.0	1062.8	722
960	min	Summer	6.539	0.0	1057.5	962
1440	min	Summer	4.630	0.0	1042.5	1442
2160	min	Summer	3.291	0.0	2087.8	2160
2880	min	Summer	2.594	0.0	2063.5	2880
4320	min	Summer	1.870	0.0	1993.0	3716
5760	min	Summer	1.495	0.0	3958.9	4440
7200	min	Summer	1.265	0.0	3835.5	5192
8640	min	Summer	1.109	0.0	3732.2	6048
10080	min	Summer	0.994	0.0	3615.6	6864
15	min	Winter	155.749	0.0	512.0	19

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Summary of Results for 100 year Return Period (+40%)

	Storm Event	=	Max Level	Max Depth	Max Infiltration	Max Control	$\begin{array}{c} \text{Max} \\ \Sigma \text{ Outflow} \end{array}$	Max Volume	Status
			(m)	(m)	(l/s)	(1/s)	(l/s)	(m³)	
30	min V	Winter	99.439	0.939	0.0	6.5	6.5	1641.8	O K
60	min V	Winter	99.550	1.050	0.0	6.5	6.5	2064.4	O K
120	min V	Winter	99.596	1.096	0.0	6.5	6.5	2408.3	O K
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240	min V	Winter	99.636	1.136	0.0	6.5	6.5	2709.3	ОК
360	min V	Winter	99.658	1.158	0.0	6.5	6.5	2869.7	ОК
480	min V	Winter	99.671	1.171	0.0	6.5	6.5	2968.0	ОК
600	min V	Winter	99.680	1.180	0.0	6.5	6.5	3034.1	O K
720	min V	Winter	99.686	1.186	0.0	6.5	6.5	3081.2	O K
960	min V	Winter	99.694	1.194	0.0	6.5	6.5	3138.0	O K
1440	min V	Winter	99.700	1.200	0.0	6.5	6.5	3183.6	Flood Risk
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4320	min V	Winter	99.671	1.171	0.0	6.5	6.5	2968.3	O K
5760	min V	Winter	99.653	1.153	0.0	6.5	6.5	2829.7	O K
7200	min V	Winter	99.640	1.140	0.0	6.5	6.5	2734.6	ОК
8640	min V	Winter	99.628	1.128	0.0	6.5	6.5	2648.9	ОК
10080	min V	Winter	99.618	1.118	0.0	6.5	6.5	2571.2	O K

Storm		Rain	Flooded	Discharge	Time-Peak	
Event		(mm/hr)	Volume	Volume	(mins)	
				(m³)	(m³)	
30	min	Winter	101.899	0.0	474.0	34
60	min	Winter	63.594	0.0	989.0	64
120	min	Winter	37.131	0.0	1032.0	122
180	min	Winter	26.722	0.0	1049.7	182
240	min	Winter	21.079	0.0	1056.7	242
360	min	Winter	15.049	0.0	1061.5	360
480	min	Winter	11.807	0.0	1062.3	478
600	min	Winter	9.769	0.0	1061.5	596
720	min	Winter	8.363	0.0	1059.1	714
960	min	Winter	6.539	0.0	1052.8	950
1440	min	Winter	4.630	0.0	1035.0	1414
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4320	min	Winter	1.870	0.0	1980.2	4020
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8640	min	Winter	1.109	0.0	3753.4	6400
10080	min	Winter	0.994	0.0	3652.6	7360

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Rainfall Details

Rainfall Model FEH Return Period (years) 100 FEH Rainfall Version 2013 Site Location GB 473565 411325 SE 73565 11325 Data Type Point Summer Storms Yes Winter Storms Yes Cv (Summer) 1.000 1.000 Cv (Winter) Shortest Storm (mins) 15 10080 Longest Storm (mins) Climate Change % +40

Time Area Diagram

Total Area (ha) 3.430

Time (mins) Area
From: To: (ha)

0 4 3.430

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Model Details

Storage is Online Cover Level (m) 100.000

Complex Structure

Ce<u>llular Storage</u>

Depth (m) Area (m²) Inf. Area (m²) Depth (m) Area (m²) Inf. Area (m²) 0.000 1840.0 0.0 1.500 1840.0 0.0

Porous Car Park

Infiltration Coefficient Base (m/hr)	0.00000	Width (m)	100.0
Membrane Percolation (mm/hr)	1000	Length (m)	190.0
Max Percolation (1/s)	5277.8	Slope (1:X)	10000.0
Safety Factor	2.0	Depression Storage (mm)	5
Porosity	0.30	Evaporation (mm/day)	3
Invert Level (m)	99.500	Membrane Depth (m)	0

Hydro-Brake® Optimum Outflow Control

Unit Reference MD-SHE-0115-6500-1300-6500 Design Head (m) 1.300 Design Flow (1/s) Flush-Flo™ Calculated Objective Minimise upstream storage Application Surface Sump Available Yes Diameter (mm) 115 98.400 Invert Level (m) Minimum Outlet Pipe Diameter (mm) 150 Suggested Manhole Diameter (mm) 1200

Control Points Head (m) Flow (1/s)

Design	Point (Calcul	Lated)	1.300	6.5
		Flush	n-Flo™	0.384	6.5
		Kick	r-Flo®	0.806	5.2
Mean Fl	ow over	Head	Range	_	5.7

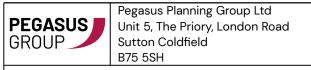
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Hydro-Brake® Optimum Outflow Control

Depth (m)	Flow (1/s)						
0 100	4 0	1 200	6.3	2 000	0 6	7 000	1.4.4
0.100	4.0	1.200	6.3	3.000	9.6	7.000	14.4
0.200	6.0	1.400	6.7	3.500	10.3	7.500	14.9
0.300	6.4	1.600	7.2	4.000	11.0	8.000	15.3
0.400	6.5	1.800	7.6	4.500	11.7	8.500	15.8
0.500	6.4	2.000	7.9	5.000	12.3	9.000	16.2
0.600	6.2	2.200	8.3	5.500	12.8	9.500	16.7
0.800	5.3	2.400	8.7	6.000	13.4		
1.000	5.7	2.600	9.0	6.500	13.9		



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Nodes

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Name T of E Cover (mins) Level (m)

BESS Permeable Gravel Subbase 5.00 100.300 0.300
Crate Storage 100.300 1.200

<u>Links</u>

Name US DS Length ks (mm) / **USIL** DS IL Fall Slope Dia T of C Rain Node Node (m) (m) (m) (m) (1:X) (mm) (mins) (mm/hr) 99.100 1.000 BESS Permeable Gravel Subbase Crate Storage 64.122 0.600 100.000 0.900 300 5.57 51.9

> Name Vel Cap US DS Σ Area Σ Add Pro Pro (m/s) (I/s) (l/s) Depth Depth (ha) Inflow Depth Velocity (m) (m) (I/s) (mm) (m/s) 1.000 0.000 1.865 131.8 0.0 0.900 0.000 0.000 0.0 0

> > Simulation Settings

Drain Down Time (mins) 1440 Check Discharge Rate(s) x 1.000 Rainfall Methodology FEH-22 Winter CV Singular Rainfall Events Normal Additional Storage (m³/ha) 20.0 Check Discharge Volume x **Analysis Speed** Summer CV 1.000 Skip Steady State Starting Level (m)

Storm Durations

10080 15 60 180 360 600 960 2160 4320 7200 30 120 240 480 720 1440 2880 5760 8640

Return Period Climate Change **Additional Area** Additional Flow **Return Period Climate Change Additional Area Additional Flow** (years) (years) (CC %) (A %) (Q %) (CC %) (A %) (Q %) 0 0 0 0 100 0 0 2 0 0 0 100 40 0 0 30 0 0 0

Node BESS Permeable Gravel Subbase Time-Area Diagram

Overrides Design Area

Depression Storage Area (m²) O

Evapo-transpiration (mm/day) O

Overrides Design Additional Inflow x

Depression Storage Depth (mm) O

Applies to All storms

Time Area Area Time Area Time Area Time (mins) (ha) (ha) (mins) (ha) (mins) (ha) (mins) 0-15 15-30 0.461 30-45 45-60 0.461 0.461 0.461

Node Crate Storage Online Hydro-Brake® Control

Flap Valve x Objective (HE) Minimise upstream storage Replaces Downstream Link Sump Available Invert Level (m) CTL-SHE-0086-3500-1200-3500 99.100 Product Number Min Outlet Diameter (m) Design Depth (m) 1.200 0.100 Design Flow (I/s) Min Node Diameter (mm) 3.5

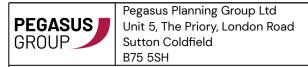
Node BESS Permeable Gravel Subbase Carpark Storage Structure

Base Inf Coefficient (m/hr) 0.00000 Porosity 0.30 Width (m) 106.379 Depth (m) 0.300 Side Inf Coefficient (m/hr) 0.00000 Invert Level (m) 100.000 Length (m) 106.379 Inf Depth (m) 0.300 Safety Factor 2.0 Time to half empty (mins) Slope (1:X) 1000.0

Node Crate Storage Depth/Area Storage Structure

Base Inf Coefficient (m/hr) 0.00000 Safety Factor 2.0 Invert Level (m) 99.100 Side Inf Coefficient (m/hr) 0.00000 Porosity 0.95 Time to half empty (mins)

Inf Area Depth Area Inf Area Depth Inf Area Depth Area Area (m) (m²) (m²) (m) (m²) (m²) (m) (m²) (m²) 0.000 855.0 855.0 1.200 855.0 979.4 1.201 0.0 979.4



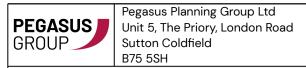
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Results for 1 year Critical Storm Duration. Lowest mass balance: 99.77%

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Node Event	US Node	Peak (mins)	Level (m)	Depth (m)	Inflow (I/s)	Node Vol (m³)	Flood (m³)	Status
240 minute summer	BESS Permeable Gravel Subbase	184	100.091	0.091	47.4	144.2626	0.0000	OK
960 minute summer	Crate Storage	930	99.449	0.349	19.4	283.7303	0.0000	OK

LINK EVENT	US	LINK	DS	Outflow	velocity	Flow/Cap	LINK	Discharge
(Upstream Depth)	Node		Node	(l/s)	(m/s)		Vol (m³)	Vol (m³)
240 minute summer	BESS Permeable Gravel Subbase	1.000	Crate Storage	26.9	1.713	0.204	2.2357	
960 minute summer	Crate Storage	Hydro-Brake®		3.5				375.9



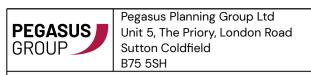
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Results for 2 year Critical Storm Duration. Lowest mass balance: 99.77%

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Node Event	US Node	Peak (mins)	Level (m)	Depth (m)	Inflow (I/s)	Node Vol (m³)	Flood (m³)	Status
180 minute summer	BESS Permeable Gravel Subbase	152	100.107	0.107	67.6	196.1573	0.0000	OK
960 minute summer	Crate Storage	1005	99.586	0.486	25.0	394.9225	0.0000	OK

Link Event (Upstream Depth)	US Node	Link	DS Node	Outflow (I/s)	Velocity (m/s)	Flow/Cap	Link Vol (m³)	Discharge Vol (m³)
180 minute summer	BESS Permeable Gravel Subbase	1.000	Crate Storage	36.6	1.895	0.278	2.6417	
960 minute summer	Crate Storage	Hydro-Brake®		3.5				417.6



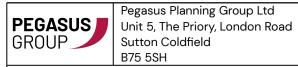
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Node Event	US Node	Peak (mins)	Level (m)	Depth (m)	Inflow (I/s)	Node Vol (m³)	Flood (m³)	Status
120 minute summer	BESS Permeable Gravel Subbase	122	100.181	0.181	169.0	454.4741	0.0000	OK
1440 minute winter	Crate Storage	1440	100.096	0.995	31.3	808.5729	0.0000	OK

LINK EVENT	US	LINK	DS	Outriow	velocity	Flow/Cap	LINK	Discharge
(Upstream Depth)	Node		Node	(l/s)	(m/s)		Vol (m³)	Vol (m³)
120 minute summer	BESS Permeable Gravel Subbase	1.000	Crate Storage	90.8	2.296	0.689	3.6541	
1440 minute winter	Crate Storage	Hydro-Brake®		3.5				483.7

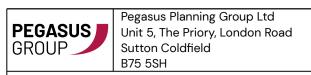


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Node Event	US Node	Peak (mins)	Level (m)	Depth (m)	Inflow (I/s)	Node Vol (m³)	Flood (m³)	Status
120 minute summer	BESS Permeable Gravel Subbase	122	100.214	0.214	215.7	572.5891	0.0000	OK
1440 minute winter	Crate Storage	1440	100.161	1.061	39.0	861.7158	0.0000	OK

Link Event (Upstream Depth)	US Node	Link	DS Node	Outflow (I/s)	Velocity (m/s)	Flow/Cap	Link Vol (m³)	Discharge Vol (m³)
120 minute summer	BESS Permeable Gravel Subbase	1.000	Crate Storage	115.5	2.384	0.876	3.9847	
1440 minute winter	Crate Storage	Hydro-Brake®		3.5				504.3



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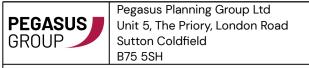
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2160 minute winter	BESS Permeable Gravel Subbase	2160	100.299	0.299	42.8	870.5765	0.0000	OK
2160 minute winter	Crate Storage	2160	100.299	1.199	37.7	973.5612	0.0000	OK

Link Event	US	Link	DS	Outflow	Velocity	Flow/Cap	Link	Discharge
(Upstream Depth)	Node		Node	(l/s)	(m/s)		Vol (m³)	Vol (m³)
2160 minute winter	BESS Permeable Gravel Subbase	1.000	Crate Storage	37.7	1.218	0.286	4.5133	
2160 minute winter	Crate Storage	Hydro-Brake®		3.5				665.7

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<u>Nodes</u>

Name	Area	T of E	Cover	Depth
	(ha)	(mins)	Level	(m)
Single TX Substation Permeable Gravel Subbase Crate Storage	O.173 O.059	5.00 5.00	(m) 100.300 100.300	0.300 0.800

<u>Links</u>

Name	US	DS	Length	ks (mm) /	US IL	DS IL	Fall	Slope	Dia	T of C	Rain
	Node	Node	(m)	n	(m)	(m)	(m)	(1:X)	(mm)	(mins)	(mm/hr)
1.000	Single TX Substation Permeable Gravel Subbase	Crate Storage	19.988	0.600	100.000	99.500	0.500	40.0	300	5.13	53.5

Name	Vel	Cap	Flow	US	DS	Σ Area	Σ Add	Pro	Pro
	(m/s)	(I/s)	(l/s)	•	•			•	Velocity (m/s)
1000	2.404	176.2	22.5	0000			(1/8)		103/

Simulation Settings

Rainfall Methodology	FEH-22	Winter CV	1.000	Drain Down Time (mins)	2880	Check Discharge Rate(s)	Х
Rainfall Events	Singular	Analysis Speed	Normal	Additional Storage (m³/ha)	20.0	Check Discharge Volume	Х
Summer CV	1.000	Skip Steady State	Х	Starting Level (m)			

Storm Durations

15	60	180	360	600	960	2160	4320	7200	10080
30	120	240	480	720	1440	2880	5760	8640	

Return Period (years)	Climate Change (CC %)	Additional Area (A %)	Additional Flow (Q %)	Return Period (years)	Climate Change (CC %)	Additional Area (A %)	Additional Flow (Q %)
1	0	0	0	100	0	0	0
2	0	0	0	100	40	0	0
30	0	0	0				

Node Single TX Substation Permeable Gravel Subbase Time-Area Diagram

Overrides Design Area	\checkmark	Depression Storage Area (m²)	0	Evapo-transpiration (mm/day)	0
Overrides Design Additional Inflow	X	Depression Storage Depth (mm)	0		
		Applies to All storms			

Time	Area	Time	Area	Time	Area	Time	Area
(mins)	(ha)	(mins)	(ha)	(mins)	(ha)	(mins)	(ha)
0-15	0.043	15-30	0.043	30-45	0.043	45-60	0.043

Node Crate Storage Time-Area Diagram

Overrides Design Area	\checkmark	Depression Storage Area (m²)	0	Evapo-transpiration (mm/day)	0
Overrides Design Additional Inflow	Х	Depression Storage Depth (mm)	0	·	
		Applies to All storms			

Time	Area	Time	Area	Time	Area	Time	Area
(mins)	(ha)	(mins)	(ha)	(mins)	(ha)	(mins)	(ha)
0-15	0.015	15-30	0.015	30-45	0.015	45-60	0.015

Node Crate Storage Online Hydro-Brake® Control

Flap Valve	X	Objective	(HE) Minimise upstream storage
Replaces Downstream Link	x	Sump Available	\checkmark
Invert Level (m)	99.500	Product Number	CTL-SHE-0049-1000-0800-1000
Design Depth (m)	0.800	Min Outlet Diameter (m)	0.075
Design Flow (I/s)	1.0	Min Node Diameter (mm)	1200

Node Single TX Substation Permeable Gravel Subbase Carpark Storage Structure

Base Inf Coefficient (m/hr)	0.00000	Porosity	0.30	Width (m)	40.604	Depth (m)	0.300
Side Inf Coefficient (m/hr)	0.00000	Invert Level (m)	100.000	Length (m)	40.604	Inf Depth (m)	0.300
Safety Factor	2.0	Time to half empty (mins)		Slope (1:X)	1000.0		

Node Crate Storage Depth/Area Storage Structure

Base Inf Coefficier Side Inf Coefficier	,		ety Facto Porosit	or 2.0 ty 0.95	Time to l		Level (m) oty (mins)	99.500	
Depth (m) 0.000	Area (m²) 70.0	Inf Area (m²) 70.0	Depth (m) 0.800	Area (m²) 70.0	Inf Area (m²) 93.7	Depth (m) 0.801	Area (m²) 0.0	Inf Area (m²) 93.7	



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Results for 1 year Critical Storm Duration. Lowest mass balance: 99.85%

Node Event	US	Peak	Level	Depth	Inflow	Node	Flood	Status
	Node	(mins)	(m)	(m)	(I/s)	Vol (m³)	(m³)	
180 minute summer	Single TX Substation Permeable Gravel Subbase	140	100.031	0.031	4.5	5.9715	0.0000	OK
480 minute summer	Crate Storage	424	99.871	0.371	4.3	25.2559	0.0000	OK

Link Event	US	Link	DS	Outflow	Velocity	Flow/Cap	Link	Discharge	
(Upstream Depth)	Node		Node	(I/s)	(m/s)		Vol (m³)	Vol (m³)	
180 minute summer	Single TX Substation Permeable Gravel Subbase	1.000	Crate Storage	3.8	0.532	0.022	0.7262		
480 minute summer	Crate Storage	Hydro-Brake®		0.9				44.3	



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Results for 2 year Critical Storm Duration. Lowest mass balance: 99.85%

Node Event	US	Peak	Level	Depth	Inflow	Node	Flood	Status
	Node	(mins)	(m)	(m)	(I/s)	Vol (m³)	(m³)	
180 minute summer	Single TX Substation Permeable Gravel Subbase	140	100.036	0.036	6.3	8.2417	0.0000	OK
360 minute winter	Crate Storage	376	100.026	0.526	5.5	35.7700	0.0000	OK

Link Event	US	Link	DS	Outflow	Velocity	Flow/Cap	Link	Discharge
(Upstream Depth)	Node		Node	(l/s)	(m/s)		Vol (m³)	Vol (m³)
180 minute summer	Single TX Substation Permeable Gravel Subbase	1.000	Crate Storage	5.4	0.563	0.031	0.7512	
360 minute winter	Crate Storage	Hydro-Brake®		0.9				54.9



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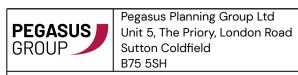
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Results for 30 year Critical Storm Duration. Lowest mass balance: 99.85%

Node Event	US	Peak	Level	Depth	Inflow	Node	Flood	Status
	Node	(mins)	(m)	(m)	(I/s)	Vol (m³)	(m³)	
480 minute winter	Single TX Substation Permeable Gravel Subbase	496	100.135	0.135	11.2	58.1201	0.0000	OK
480 minute winter	Crate Storage	496	100.135	0.635	9.0	43.1777	0.0000	OK

Link Event	US	Link	DS	Outflow	Velocity	Flow/Cap	Link	Discharge
(Upstream Depth)	Node		Node	(l/s)	(m/s)		Vol (m³)	Vol (m³)
480 minute winter	Single TX Substation Permeable Gravel Subbase	1.000	Crate Storage	6.4	0.563	0.036	1.0106	
480 minute winter	Crate Storage	Hydro-Brake®		0.9				125.1



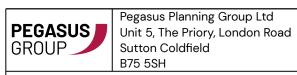
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Results for 100 year Critical Storm Duration. Lowest mass balance: 99.85%

Node Event	US	Peak	Level	Depth	Inflow	Node	Flood	Status
	Node	(mins)	(m)	(m)	(I/s)	Vol (m³)	(m³)	
600 minute winter	Single TX Substation Permeable Gravel Subbase	615	100.187	0.187	9.8	84.3261	0.0000	OK
600 minute winter	Crate Storage	615	100.187	0.687	8.1	46.6928	0.0000	OK

Link Event	US	Link	DS	Outflow	Velocity	Flow/Cap	Link	Discharge	
(Upstream Depth)	Node		Node	(l/s)	(m/s)		Vol (m³)	Vol (m³)	
600 minute winter	Single TX Substation Permeable Gravel Subbase	1.000	Crate Storage	5.7	0.559	0.032	1.1642		
600 minute winter	Crate Storage	Hydro-Brake®		0.9				161.1	



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Results for 100 year +40% CC Critical Storm Duration. Lowest mass balance: 99.85%

Node Event	US	Peak	Level	Depth	Inflow	Node	Flood	Status	
	Node	(mins)	(m)	(m)	(l/s)	Vol (m³)	(m³)		
600 minute winter	Single TX Substation Permeable Gravel Subbase	615	100.296	0.296	12.8	139.6030	0.0000	OK	
600 minute winter	Crate Storage	615	100.296	0.796	8.5	54.1193	0.0000	OK	

Link Event	US	Link	DS	Outflow	Velocity	Flow/Cap	Link	Discharge
(Upstream Depth)	Node		Node	(l/s)	(m/s)		Vol (m³)	Vol (m³)
600 minute winter	Single TX Substation Permeable Gravel Subbase	1.000	Crate Storage	5.9	0.549	0.033	1.4057	
600 minute winter	Crate Storage	Hydro-Brake®		1.0				187.2



Appendix K - High Level SuDS Operation and Maintenance Manual



INDICATIVE DRAINAGE OPERATION & MAINTENANCE MANUAL

Tween Bridge Solar Farm

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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. This manual should be read alongside the associated Flood Risk Assessment and Surface Water Drainage Strategy.
- 1.2. The surface water drainage strategy details presented at this stage are high level in the absence of detailed site layout information to prepare more detailed drainage proposals.
- 1.3. This manual is intended to give an overview of the operation and maintenance for a wide range of SuDs features that may be proposed on site once the proposed surface water drainage strategy has been confirmed at detailed design post-consent of the DCO application. The guidance relates to typical details only.
- 1.4. Once the proposed surface water drainage strategy details for the site have been confirmed at detailed design and it has been confirmed who will be responsible for the maintenance of any SuDS on site, this manual must be updated.
- 1.5. Where proprietary products are specified the manufacturer's instructions and recommendations should be followed in priority to this document unless specifically noted otherwise due to project constraints.
- 1.6. The recommended operations and frequencies are typical only and should be more frequent initially to ensure that there are no unforeseen issues with the operation and then adjusted to suit the site requirements.
- 1.7. In addition to the presented typical SuDS operation and maintenance requirements included, indicative measures to maintain fencing across watercourses are also presented.



2. GEOCELLULAR/MODULAR SYSTEMS

- 2.1. Modular plastic geocellular systems with a high void ratio, that can be used to create a below ground storage structure.
- 2.2. The below ground crates are intended to be a surface water storage feature to attenuate the discharge from the site up to and including the 1 in 100 year plus 40% climate change event.
- 2.3. Regular inspection and maintenance is required to ensure the effective long-term operation of below ground modular storage systems. Maintenance responsibility for systems should be placed with the sites management company.
- 2.4. Specific maintenance needs of the system should be monitored, and maintenance schedules adjusted to suit requirements.
- 2.5. Sediment\material removal should be undertaken in consultation with the environmental regulator to confirm appropriate protocols, especially where run-off is taken from potentially contaminated areas such as car parks/service yards.
- 2.6. Maintenance requirements for modular systems are described in the table below.



Table 2.1 – Geocellular/Modular Systems Maintenance Requirements

Maintenance Schedule	Required Action	Typical Frequency
Regular Maintenance	Inspect and identify any areas that are not operating correctly. If required, take remedial action.	Monthly for 3 months, then six monthly
	Debris removal from catchment surface (where may cause risks to performance)	Monthly
	Where rainfall infiltrates into blocks from above, check surface of filter for blockage by silt, algae or other matter. Remove and replace surface infiltration medium as necessary.	Monthly (and after large storms)
	Remove sediment from pre-treatment structures	Annually, or as required
Remedial Actions	Repair/rehabilitation of inlets, outlet, overflows and vents	As required
Monitoring	Inspect/check all inlets, outlets, vents and overflows to ensure that they are in good condition and operating as designed	Annually and after large storms



3. PERMEABLE PAVING

- 3.1. The permeable pavements have/will be designed in accordance with CIRIA C753 and BS7533-13.
- 3.2. Permeable pavements contain proprietary products and as such where used the manufacture's recommendations should be followed.
- 3.3. The permeable pavements are intended to be water quality and attenuation storage features. These features are intended to be dry except during rainfall events. The permeable pavements may also be utilised as an infiltration area or soakaway for other areas of the development (where permissible).
- 3.4. The surface has been designed to be porous or to contain gaps where rain can flow through the upper construction layers into the voided stone which makes up the subbase. Where these features are intended to be used as infiltration devices or soakaways any capping also needs to be permeable to permit the flows to the formation.
- 3.5. Regular inspection and maintenance is important for the effective operation of the pervious pavement. Maintenance responsibility for the pavement and its surrounding area should be placed with the site's management company.
- 3.6. Sediment\material removal should be undertaken in consultation with the environmental regulator to confirm appropriate protocols, as run-off is taken from potentially contaminated areas such as car parks/service yards.



Table 3.1 – Permeable Paving Maintenance Requirements

Maintenance	Required Action	Typical Frequency
Regular Maintenance	Brushing (standard cosmetic sweep over whole surface)	Once a year, after autumn leaf fall, or reduced frequency as required, based on site-specific observations of clogging or manufacturer's recommendations.
Occasional Maintenance	Stabilise and mow contributing and adjacent areas	As required
	Removal of weeds or management using glyphosate applied directly into the weeds by an applicator rather than spraying	As required – once per year on less frequently used pavements
Remedial Actions	Remediate any landscaping which, through vegetation maintenance or soil slip, has been raised to within 50mm of the level of paving	As required
	Remedial work to any depressions, rutting and cracked or broken blocks considered detrimental to the structural performance or a hazard to users, and replace lost jointing material	
	Rehabilitation of surface and upper substructure by remedial sweeping	Every 10 to 15 years or as required (if infiltration performance is reduced due to significant clogging)
Monitoring	Initial inspection	Monthly for three months after installation
	Inspect for evidence of poor operation and/or weed growth – if required, take remedial action	Three monthly, 48 hours after large storms in first six months
	Inspect silt accumulation rates and establish appropriate brushing frequencies	Annually
Monitor inspection chambers		Annually



4. PIPEWORK & MANHOLES

- 4.1. Pipes are proprietary products and the materials can vary across the site and as such where used the manufacture's recommendations should be followed. Regardless of the product used the pipes will be fully compliant with the drainage specification.
- 4.2. Pipes are intended to be the main conveyance across the development and where oversized they form the attenuation volume required by the limitation of the discharge rate. They are intended to be dry except during rainfall events. These have been designed to be self-cleaning where possible for smaller diameter pipes, and for larger diameters the risk is reduced due to the overall pipe size.
- 4.3. Access for maintenance is provided through access chambers, manholes, rodding plates and rodding eyes.
- 4.4. Regular inspection and maintenance is important to identify areas which may have been obstructed/clogged and may not be draining correctly thus exposing the development to a greater level of flood risk. Maintenance responsibility for the pipes should be placed with relevant water authority for public sewers and the individual resident ('riparian owner') for private drains, unless adopted as lateral drainage.
- 4.5. Sediment\material removal should be undertaken in consultation with the environmental regulator to confirm appropriate protocols, as run-off is taken from potentially contaminated areas such as car parks/service yards.



Table 4.1 – Pipework & Manholes Maintenance Requirements

Maintenance Schedule	Required Action	Typical Frequency	
Occasional Maintenance	Stabilise and mow contributing and adjacent areas	As required	
	Removal of weeds or management using glyphosate applied directly into the weeds by an applicator rather than spraying	As required – once per year on less frequently used pavements	
Remedial Actions	Rod through poorly performing runs as initial remediation.	As required	
	If continued poor performance jet and CCTV survey poorly performing runs.	As required	
	Seek advice as to remediation techniques suitable for the type of performance issue and location.	As required if above does not improve performance	
Monitoring	Initial inspection should be provided as post construction CCTV survey.	Monthly for three months after installation	
	Inspect for evidence of poor operation via water level in chambers and if required, take remedial action	Three monthly, 48 hours after large storms in first six months	
	Inspect silt accumulation rates and establish appropriate brushing frequencies	Annually	
Monitor inspection chambers		Annually	



5. FLOW CONTROL CHAMBER

- 5.1. Flow control chambers are proprietary products and as such where used the manufacturer's recommendations should be followed. Regardless of the flow control used it will be fully compliant with the drainage specification.
- 5.2. Flow control chambers are intended to restrict the surface water runoff discharge rate from the site to a designed rate utilising techniques such as an orifice plate, vortex separator or mechanical float control.
- 5.3. Regular inspection and maintenance are important to identify areas which may have been obstructed/clogged and may not be draining correctly thus exposing the development to a greater level of flood risk. Maintenance responsibility for the flow control chamber should be placed with the relevant water authority if the drainage is to be adopted. If left private, then the management company should seek to consult with the manufacturer and appoint a contractor approved by the relevant water authority.
- 5.4. Should sediment/material result in a blockage within the outfall of the flow control chamber, a high-level overflow outfall will prevent flooding occurring on site as a result of the blockage.
- 5.5. Once the storm event has passed it will be necessary to remove the sediment/material to allow the flow control to operate correctly. The bypass penstock valve will discharge blocked water within the chamber to allow for safe entry and maintenance of the flow control chamber.
- 5.6. Sediment\material removal should be undertaken in consultation with the environmental regulator to confirm appropriate protocols, as run-off is taken from potentially contaminated areas such as car parks/service yards.



Table 5.1 – Flow Control Chamber Maintenance Requirements

Maintenance Schedule	Required Action	Typical Frequency	
Occasional Maintenance	Stabilise and mow contributing and adjacent areas	As required	
	Removal of weeds or management using glyphosate applied directly into the weeds by an applicator rather than spraying	As required – once per year on less frequently used pavements	
Remedial Actions	Rod through poorly performing runs as initial remediation.	As required	
	If continued poor performance jet and CCTV survey poorly performing runs.	As required	
	Seek advice as to remediation techniques suitable for the type of performance issue and location.	As required if above does not improve performance	
Monitoring	Initial inspection should be provided as post construction CCTV survey.	N/A	
	Inspect for evidence of poor operation via water level in chambers and if required, take remedial action	Three monthly, 48 hours after large storms in first six months	
	Inspect silt accumulation rates and establish appropriate brushing frequencies	Annually	
	Monitor inspection chambers	Annually	



6. ATTENUATION BASIN

- 6.1. The basins will require regular maintenance to ensure continuing operation to design performance standards, and all designers should provide detailed specifications and frequencies for the required maintenance activities along with likely machinery requirements and typical annual costs within the Maintenance Plan. The treatment performance of basins is dependent on the maintenance, and robust management plans will be required to ensure maintenance is carried out in the long term. Different designs will have different operation and maintenance requirements.
- 6.2. Maintenance of the basins are relatively straightforward for landscape contractors, and typically there should only be a small amount of extra work (if any) required for a basin over and above what is required for standard public open space. Provided that landscape management is already required at site, basin maintenance should have marginal cost implications.
- 6.3. Adequate access should be provided to the basin areas for inspection and maintenance, including for appropriate equipment and vehicles. Litter and debris removal should be undertaken as part of general landscape maintenance for the site and before any other SuDS management task.
- 6.4. The major maintenance requirement for a basin is mowing. Mowing should ideally retain grass lengths of 75-100mm across the main treatment surface, to assist in filtering pollutants and retaining sediments and to reduce the risk of flattening during runoff events. However, longer vegetation lengths, where appropriate, are not considered to pose a significant risk to functionality.
- 6.5. Occasionally sediment will need to be removed (once exceeding 25mm in depth) although this can be minimised by ensuring that upstream areas are stabilised and by incorporating effective pre-treatment devices.



Table 6.1 – Basin Maintenance Requirements

Maintenance Schedule	Required Action	Typical Frequency
Regular	Remove litter and debris	Monthly, or as required
Maintenance	Cut grass – to retain grass height within specified design range	Monthly (during growing season), or as required
	Inspect inlets, outlets and overflows for blockages, and clear if required	Monthly
	Inspect infiltration surface for ponding, compaction, silt accumulation, record areas where water is ponding for >48 hours	Monthly, or when required
	Inspect vegetation coverage	Monthly for 6 months, quarterly for 2 years, then half yearly
	Inspect inlets and facility surface for silt accumulation, establish silt removal frequencies	Half yearly
Occasional maintenance	Reseed areas of poor vegetation growth, alter plant types to better suit conditions if required	As required or if bare soil is exposed over 10% or more of the basin treatment area
Remedial actions	Repair erosion or other damage by re-turfing or reseeding	As required
	Relevel uneven surfaces and reinstate design levels	As required
	Scarify and spike topsoil layer to improve infiltration performance, break up soil deposits and prevent compaction of the soil surface	As required
	Remove build-up of Sediment on upstream gravel trench, flow spreader or at top of filter strip	As required
	Remove and dispose of oils or petrol residues using safe standard practices	As required



7. SWALE

- 7.1. The swale will require regular maintenance to ensure continuing operation to design performance standards, and all designers should provide detailed specifications and frequencies for the required maintenance activities along with likely machinery requirements and typical annual costs within the Maintenance Plan. The treatment performance of swale is dependent on the maintenance, and robust management plans will be required to ensure maintenance is carried out in the long term. Different designs will have different operation and maintenance requirements.
- 7.2. Maintenance of the swales are relatively straightforward for landscape contractors, and typically there should only be a small amount of extra work (if any) required for a swale over and above what is required for standard public open space. Provided that landscape management is already required at site, swale maintenance should have marginal cost implications.
- 7.3. Adequate access should be provided to the swale areas for inspection and maintenance, including for appropriate equipment and vehicles. Litter and debris removal should be undertaken as part of general landscape maintenance for the site and before any other SuDS management task.
- 7.4. The major maintenance requirement for a swale is mowing. Mowing should ideally retain grass lengths of 75-100mm across the main treatment surface, to assist in filtering pollutants and retaining sediments and to reduce the risk of flattening during runoff events. However, longer vegetation lengths, where appropriate, are not considered to pose a significant risk to functionality.
- 7.5. Occasionally sediment will need to be removed (once exceeding 25mm in depth) although this can be minimised by ensuring that upstream areas are stabilised and by incorporating effective pre-treatment devices.



Table 7.1 – Swale Maintenance Requirements

Maintenance Schedule	Required Action	Typical Frequency
Regular	Remove litter and debris	Monthly, or as required
Maintenance	Cut grass – to retain grass height within specified design range	Monthly (during growing season), or as required
	Inspect inlets, outlets and overflows for blockages, and clear if required	Monthly
	Inspect infiltration surface for ponding, compaction, silt accumulation, record areas where water is ponding for >48 hours	Monthly, or when required
	Inspect vegetation coverage	Monthly for 6 months, quarterly for 2 years, then half yearly
	Inspect inlets and facility surface for silt accumulation, establish silt removal frequencies	Half yearly
Occasional maintenance	Reseed areas of poor vegetation growth, alter plant types to better suit conditions if required	As required or if bare soil is exposed over 10% or more of the swale treatment area
Remedial actions	Repair erosion or other damage by re-turfing or reseeding	As required
	Relevel uneven surfaces and reinstate design levels	As required
	Scarify and spike topsoil layer to improve infiltration performance, break up soil deposits and prevent compaction of the soil surface	As required
	Remove build-up of Sediment on upstream gravel trench, flow spreader or at top of filter strip	As required
	Remove and dispose of oils or petrol residues using safe standard practices	As required



8. RAINWATER HARVESTING

- 8.1. Any property with an RWH system installed should be provided with appropriate information as to what equipment has been installed, it's purpose, it's operation and maintenance requirements, the actions needed to address any potential failure and the expected performance of the system. Information on the options for external maintenance support should also be provided.
- 8.2. Most systems require periodic checking and maintenance to ensure trouble-free and reliable operation. There are wide differences in the extent of maintenance required for different systems, and manufacturers' guidelines should always be followed. **Table 8.1** provides guidance on the type of operational and maintenance requirements that may be appropriate. The list of actions is not exhaustive, and some actions may not always be required.
- 8.3. Maintenance requirements are largely dependant on the runoff source and the runoff use (and thus treatment process provided). This will range from weekly input through to rare intervention. Routine inspection of the filter system at quarterly annual intervals I advised, even if they do not appear to need specific intervention. Pumps need very little attention, but their design life is generally regarded as only being 10 years. Where automatic provision of potable water occurs (if and when rainwater is either not available or the system has failed), it is useful to have sensor warnings relayed in such a manner as o inform the user of the current status of the system.
- 8.4. RWH systems should be designed so that when there is an absence of rain, or a need to disconnect the system for maintenance or repair, that potable water is safely available for all appliances to avoid inconvenience.
- 8.5. Tanks should be accessible for internal inspection, and the cover should preferably be lockable.
- 8.6. The maintenance responsibility for an RWH system is usually with the owner of the property, but any communal systems require the participating community to be informed of the system, as detailed, but also be provided with information of who the organisation is that is maintaining the system and any financial commitments and any legally binding maintenance agreements.



Table 8.1 – Rainwater Harvesting Maintenance Requirements

Maintenance	Required Action	Typical Frequency
Schedule		
Regular Maintenance	Inspection of the tank for debris and sediment build-up, inlets/outlets/withdrawal devices, overflow areas, pumps, filters.	Annually (and following poor performance)
	Cleaning of tank, inlets, outlets, utters, withdrawal devices and roof drain filters of silts and other debris.	Annually (and following poor performance)
Occasional maintenance	Cleaning and/or replacement of any filters.	Three monthly (or as required)
Remedial actions	Repair of overflow erosion damage or damage to tank.	As required
	Pump repairs.	As required



GREEN ROOFS

- 9.1. Intensive green roofs are likely to require regular inspection and maintenance. Grassed areas may require mowing weekly or fortnightly, plant beds may require weeding on a weekly or fortnightly basis during the growing season, and wildflower meadow may require annual mowing with the cuttings removed. Extensive green roofs should normally only require biannual or annual visits to remove litter, check fire breaks and drains and, in some cases, remove unwanted invasive plants. The most maintenance is generally required during the establishment stage (12 months to 15 months), and this should usually be made the responsibility of the green roof provider. Maintenance contractors with specialist training in green roof care should be used, where possible.
- 9.2. **Table 9.1** provides guidance on the type of operational and maintenance requirements that may be appropriate. The list of actions is not exhaustive, and some actions may not always be required. Actual requirements will depend on the planting, the desired aesthetic and visual effect and the biodiversity objectives for the system. Maintenance specifications and schedules should therefore be specified for any individual green roofs.
- 9.3. If mechanical systems are located on the roof, then spill prevention measures should be exercised to ensure that roof runoff is not contaminated. The mechanical system area should be provided with separate drainage.
- 9.4. All maintenance actions carried out at roof level must be in full compliance with the appropriate health and safety regulations, and particularly those specifically dealing with working at height. Training and guidance information on operating and maintaining the roof should be provided to all property owners and tenants. Safety fastenings will be required for personnel working on the roof.
- 9.5. Access routes to the roof should be designed and maintained to be safe and efficient, and walkways should always be kept clear of obstructions. Secure points for harness attachments should be provided when access near to the roof edges is required.
- 9.6. Specific maintenance needs of the green roof should be monitored, and maintenance schedules adjusted to suit requirements.



Table 9.1 - Green Roofs Maintenance Requirements

Maintenance	Required Action	Typical Frequency
Regular Maintenance	Inspect all components including soil substrate, vegetation, drains, irrigation systems (if applicable), membranes and roof structure of proper operation, integrity of waterproofing and structural stability.	Annually and after severe storms
	Inspect soil substrate for evidence of erosion channels and identify any sediment sources.	Annually and after severe storms
	Inspect drain inlets to ensure unrestricted runoff from the drainage layer to the conveyance or roof drain system.	Annually and after severe storms
	Inspect underside of roof for evidence of leakage	Annually and after severe storms
Occasional maintenance	Remove debris and litter to prevent clogging of inlet drains and interference with plant growth	Six monthly and annually or as required
	During establishment (ie year one), replace dead plants as required.	Monthly (but usually responsibility of manufacturer)
	Post establishment, replace dead plants as required (where >5% of coverage)	Annually (in Autumn)
	Remove fallen leaves and debris from deciduous plant foliage	Six monthly or as required
	Remove nuisance and invasive vegetation, including weeds	Six monthly or as required
	Mow grasses, prune shrubs and manage other planting (if appropriate) as required – clippings should be removed and not allowed to accumulate	Six monthly or as required
Remedial actions	If erosion channels are evident, these should be stabilised with extra soil substrate similar to the original material, and sources of erosion damage should be identified and controlled.	As required
	If drain inlet has settled, cracked or moved, investigate and repair as appropriate.	As required



10. INFILTRATION SYSTEMS – SOAKAWAYS, TRENCHES AND BLANKETS

- 10.1. The design of soakaways, infiltration trenches and blankets should include monitoring points where the water level in the system can be observed or measured. This can either be via an inspection well or inspection cover (where the attenuation storage space is a void). For larger installations the inspection access should provide clear view of the infiltration surface (even if the storage zone is filled). For small, filled soakaways, a 50mm perforated pipe is adequate.
- 10.2. The useful life and effective operation of an infiltration component is related to the frequency of maintenance and the risk of sediment being introduced into the system.
- 10.3. An easement should be considered where multiple properties discharge to a single soakaway, to ensure long-term access for maintenance purposes.
- 10.4. Maintenance will usually be carried out manually, although a suction tanker can be used for sediment/debris removal for large systems. If maintenance is not undertaken for long periods, deposits can become hard-packed and require considerable effort to remove.
- 10.5. Replacement of the aggregate or geocellular units will be necessary if the system becomes blocked with silt. Effective monitoring will give information on changes in infiltration rate and provide a warning of potential failure in the long term.
- 10.6. Roads and/or parking areas drainage to infiltration components should be regularly swept to prevent silt being washed off the surface. This will minimise the need for maintenance.
- 10.7. Maintenance responsibility should be placed with an appropriate organisation, and maintenance schedules should be developed during the design phase.



Table 10.1 – Infiltration systems – Soakaways, Trenches, and blankets maintenance requirements

Maintenance	Required Action	Typical Frequency
Schedule		
Regular Maintenance	Inspect for sediment and debris in pre-treatment components and floor of inspection tube or chamber and inside of concrete manhole rings	Annually
	Cleaning of gutters and any filters on downpipes	Annually (or as required based on inspections)
	Trimming any roots that may be causing blockages	Annually (or as required based on inspections)
Occasional maintenance	Remove sediment and debris from pretreatment components and floor of inspection tube or chamber and inside of concrete manhole rings.	As required
Remedial actions	Reconstruct soakaway and/or replace or clean void fill, if performance deteriorates or failure occurs	As required
	Replacement of clogged geotextile (will require reconstruction of soakaway)	As required
Monitoring	Inspect silt traps and note rate of sediment accumulation.	Monthly in the first year and then annually
	Check soakaway to ensure emptying is occurring	Annually



11. INFILTRATION SYSTEMS – BASINS

- 11.1. Regular inspection and maintenance is important for the effective operation of infiltration basins as designed. Maintenance responsibility for an infiltration basin and its surrounding area should be placed with a responsible organisation.
- 11.2. Regular mowing in and around infiltration basins is only required along maintenance access routes, amenity areas (e.g. footpaths), across embankments and across the main storage area. The remaining areas can be managed as "meadow" or other appropriate vegetation unless additional management is required for landscaping purposes. Grass cutting may need to accommodate specific sward mixes and specialist seed or turf supplier recommendations. As described earlier in this chapter, deep-rooting vegetation can maintain infiltration rates and minimise the need for remedial maintenance. All vegetation management activities should take account of the need to maximise biosecurity and prevent the spread of invasive species.



Table 11.1 - Infiltration Systems - Basins

Maintenance Schedule	Required Action	Typical Frequency
Regular Maintenance	Remove litter, deris and trash	Monthly
	Cut grass – for landscaped areas and access routes	Monthly (during growing season) or as required
	Cut grass – meadow grass in and around basin	Half yearly: Spring (before nesting season) and Autumn
	Manage other vegetation and remove nuisance plants	Monthly at start and then as required
Occasional maintenance	Reseed areas of poor vegetation growth	Annually, or as required
	Prune and trim trees and remove cuttings	As required
	Remove sediment from pre- treatment system when 50% full	As required
Remedial actions	Repair erosion or other damage by reseeding or returfing	As required
	Realign the rip-rap	As required
	Repair or rehabilitate inlets, outlets and overflows	As required
	Repair or rehabilitate infiltration surface using scarifying and spiking techniques if performance deteriorates	As required
	Relevel uneven surfaces and reinstate design levels	As required
Monitoring	Inspect inlets, outlets and overflows for blockages, and clear if required	Monthly
	Inspect banksides, structures, pipework etc for evidence of physical damage	Monthly
	Inspect inlets and pre-treatment systems for silt accumulation; establish appropriate silt removal frequencies	Half yearly
	Inspect infiltration surfaces for compaction and ponding	Monthly



12. PROPRIETARY TREATMENT SYSTEMS

- 12.1. Proprietary treatment systems will require routine maintenance to ensure continuing operation to design performance standards. Because of the wide range of different designs and performance, all manufacturers should provide detailed specifications and frequencies for the required maintenance activities along with likely machinery requirements and typical annual costs for any given site. The treatment performance of proprietary systems is strongly dependant on maintenance, and robust management plans will be required to ensure that maintenance is carried out in the long term. There are examples where not undertaking maintenance has led to pollution, and the companies involved have been fined. The cost of maintenance would have been much less than the subsequent fine and clean-up costs. Different proprietary treatment devices will have different operations and maintenance requirements, but this section gives some generic guidance. Ease of access for maintenance and inspection is essential. In particular, access lids and covers should be kept as lightweight as practicable.
- 12.2. Many proprietary systems are beneath are ground, and malfunctioning is not easy to detect, and it is therefore often ignored unless alarms are provided or the system is designed to cause localised surface ponding if full. If systems lead to other surface features, early warning of maintenance being required may be easily observed at the inlet to the feature (which should be designed to prevent it entering the main part of the component). Preference should be given to systems or designs that give some easily observable indication that maintenance is required.
- 12.3. Lack of routine maintenance is more likely to cause poor outflow water quality than with other SuDS due to resuspension of solids and anaerobic conditions developing within the device. For example, anaerobic conditions can develop in deep sumps and catchpits that result in nutrients and metals being released from captured sediments. During the first few months after installation, subsurface treatment units should be visually inspected after rainfall events, and the amount of deposition measured to give the operator an idea of the expected rate of sediment and oil deposition. After this initial period, systems should be inspected every six months to verify the appropriate level of maintenance. During these inspections, the floating debris and any floating oils should normally be removed. This may be done using a van-mounted system, without the need for a larger tanker. Silt should be removed when it reaches 75% of the capacity of the sump. In most situations, the units should fully be cleaned out at least annually. If there is a significant spill of oil (or other pollutant) the system should be cleaned immediately.
- 12.4. Hilliges et al (2013) recommends cleaning treatment channels out every six months, in Spring and after the Summer. This was based on observed silt build up for a busy road (AADT 57 000 vehicles per day) and this frequency could possibly be reduced in less trafficked areas. Experience with other channels in less trafficked areas shows silt removal may only be required every 10 years.
- 12.5. Proper disposal of oil, solids and floating debris removed from components must be ensured, and the environmental regulator should be approached for advice



- where there are any doubts concerning disposal options. A small portion of water will be removed along with the pollutants during the clean-out process, which should be considered when costing sedimental disposal processes.
- 12.6. Harmful vapours may develop in subsurface filtration or hydrodynamic separation units, as hydrocarbons may remain there for extended periods of time. Appropriate testing for harmful vapours and venting should be undertaken whenever access for maintenance is required. Removal of oil, silt and other pollutants must be in accordance with the appropriate waste management legislation.
- 12.7. Maintenance responsibility for all systems should be placed with an appropriate organisation, and Maintenance Plans and schedules should be developed during the design phase.
- 12.8. CDM 2015 requires designers to ensure that all maintenance risks have been identified, eliminated, reduced and/or controlled where appropriate. This information will be required as part of the health and safety file.



Table 12.1 - PROPRIETARY TREATMENT SYSTEMS - MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS

Maintenance Schedule	Required Action	Typical Frequency
Routine Maintenance	Remove litter and debris and inspect for sediment, oil and grease accumulation	Six monthly
	Change the filter media	As recommended by manufacturer
	Remove sediment, oil, grease and floatable	As necessary – indicated by system inspections or immediately following significant spill
Remedial maintenance	Replace malfunctioning parts of structures	As required
Monitoring	Inspect for evidence of poor operation	Six monthly
	Inspect filter media and establish appropriate replacement frequencies	Six monthly
	Inspect sediment accumulation rates and established appropriate removal frequencies.	Monthly during first half year of operation, then every six months



13. FILTER STRIPS

- 13.1. Filter strips will require regular maintenance to ensure continuing operation to design standards, and all designers should provide detailed specifications and frequencies for the required maintenance activities along with likely machinery requirements and typical annual costs within the Maintenance Plan. The treatment performance of filter strips is dependent on maintenance, and robust management plans will be required to ensure that maintenance is carried out in the long term. Different designs will have different operation and maintenance requirements, but this section gives some generic guidance.
- Maintenance of filter strips is relatively straight forward to landscape contractors and typically there should only be a small amount of extra work (if any) required for a filter strip over and above what is necessary for standard public open space. Providing landscape management is already required at site, filter strip maintenance should therefore have marginal cost implications. However, regular inspection and maintenance is important for the effective operation of filter strips as designed. Maintenance responsibility for a filter strip should always be placed with an appropriate organisation. If filter strips are implemented within private property, owners should be educated on their routine maintenance needs, and should understand the long-term Maintenance Plan and any legally binding maintenance agreement.
- 13.3. Access for maintenance vehicles should always be available. However, this is not usually a constraint due to the likely location of the filter strip adjacent to impermeable areas. Litter and debris removal should be undertaken as part of general landscape maintenance for the site and before any other SuDS management task. All litter should be removed.
- 13.4. The major maintenance requirement for filter strips is mowing. This should ideally retain grass lengths of 75–150mm across the main "treatment" surface to assist in filtering pollutants and retaining sediments and to reduce the risk of flattening during runoff events. However, longer vegetation lengths, where appropriate, are not considered to pose a significant risk to functionality.
- 13.5. Grass clippings should be disposed of either off site or outside the area of the filter strip to remove nutrients and pollutants. All vegetation management activities should take account of the need to maximise biosecurity and prevent the spread of invasive species.
- 13.6. Occasionally, sediment will need to be removed (eg once deposits exceed 25mm in depth), although this can be minimised by ensuring that upstream areas are fully stabilised in advance. Available evidence from monitoring studies indicates that small distributed infiltration practices such as filter strips do not contaminate underlying soils, even after more than 10 years of operation (TRCA, 2008). Sediments excavated from a filter strip that receives runoff from residential or standard road and roof areas are generally not of toxic or hazardous material and can therefore be safely disposed of by either land application or landfilling. However, consultation should take place with the environmental regulator to confirm



appropriate protocols. Sediment testing may be required before sediment excavation to determine its classification and appropriate disposal methods. For runoff from streets with high vehicle traffic, sediment testing will be essential. In the majority of cases, it will be acceptable to distribute the sediment on site if there is an appropriate safe and acceptable location to do so.



Table 13.1 – Filter strips – Maintenance requirements

Maintenance	Required Action	Typical Frequency
Schedule		
Regular Maintenance	Remove litter and debris	Monthly (or as required)
	Cut the grass – to retain grass height within specified design range	Monthly (during growing season), or as required
	Manage other vegetation and remove nuisance plants	Monthly (at start, then as required)
	Inspect filter strip surface to identify evidence of erosion, poor vegetation growth, compaction, ponding, sedimentation and contamination.	Monthly (at start, then as required)
	Check flow spreader and filter strip surface for even gradients	Monthly (at start, then as required)
	Inspect gravel flow spreader upstream of filter strip for clogging	Monthly (at start, then as required)
	Inspect silt accumulation rates and establish appropriate removal frequencies.	Monthly (at start, then as required)
Remedial maintenance	Reseed areas of poor vegetation growth; alter plant types of better	As required
	Relevel uneven surfaces and reinstate design levels	As required
	Scarify and spike topsoil layer to improve infiltration performance, break up silt deposits and prevent compaction of the soil surface	As required
	Remove build-up of sediment on upstream gravel trench, flow spreader or at top of filter strip	As required
	Remove and dispose of oils or petrol residues using safe standard practices	As required



14. FILTER DRAINS

- 14.1. Filter drains will require regular maintenance to ensure continuing operation to design performance standards, and all designers should provide detailed specifications and frequencies for the required maintenance activities along with likely machinery requirements and typical annual costs within the Maintenance Plan. The treatment performance of filter drains is dependant on maintenance, and robust management plans will be required to ensure that maintenance is carried out in the ling term. Different designs will have different operation and maintenance requirements.
- 14.2. Regular inspection and maintenance is important for the effective operation of filter drains as designed. Maintenance responsibility for a filter drain should always be placed with an appropriate organisation. Adequate access should always be provided to the filter drain for inspection and maintenance. If filter drains are implemented within private property, owners should be educated on their routine maintenance needs, and should understand the long-term Maintenance Plan and legally binding maintenance agreement.
- 14.3. Litter (including leaf litter) and debris removal should be undertaken as part of general landscape maintenance for the site and before any other SuDS management task. All litter should be removed from site.
- 14.4. Sediments excavated from upstream pre-treatment devices that receive runoff from residential or standard road and roof areas are generally not toxic or hazardous material and can therefore be safely disposed of by either land application or landfilling. However, consultation should take place with the environment regulator to confirm appropriate waste management protocols and compliance with legislation. Sediment testing may be required before sediment excavation to determine its classification and appropriate disposal methods. For industrial site runoff, sediment testing will be essential. In the majority of cases, it will be acceptable to distribute the sediment on site, if there is an appropriate safe and acceptable location to do so. Any damage due to sediment removal or erosion should be repaired and immediately reseeded or planted.



Table 14.1 – Filter Drains – Maintenance requirements

Maintenance Schedule	Required Action	Typical Frequency
Regular Maintenance	Remove litter (including leaf litter) and debris from filter drain surface, access chambers and pre-treatment devices	Monthly (or as required)
	Inspect filter drain surface, inlet/outlet pipework and control systems for blockages, clogging, standing water and structural damage.	Monthly
	Inspect pre-treatment systems, inlets and perforated pipework for silt accumulation, and establish appropriate silt removal frequencies.	Six monthly
	Remove sediment from pre-treated devices	Six monthly, or as required
Occasional Maintenance	Remove or control tree roots where they are encroaching the sides of the filter drain, using recommended methods.	As required
	At locations with high pollution loads, remove surface geotextile and replace, and wash or replace overlying filter medium.	Five yearly, or as required
	Clear perforated pipework for blockages	As required



15. BIORETENTION SYSTEMS

- Dalrymple (2013) concluded that bioretention systems will typically require approximately 2.5 times more maintenance than typical landscape designs. Bioretention systems will require regular maintenance to ensure continuing operation to design performance standards, and all designers should provide detailed specifications and frequencies for the required maintenance activities along with likely machinery requirements and typical annual costs within the Maintenance Plan. The treatment performance of bioretention systems is dependent on maintenance, and robust management plans will be required to ensure that maintenance is carried out in the long term. Different designs will have different operation and maintenance requirements, but this section gives some generic guidance. Ease of access for maintenance and inspection is essential.
- 15.2. The main cause of failure of bioretention systems is clogging of the surface, which is easily visible. Underdrains and drainage layers are beneath the ground, and malfunctioning is not so easy to detect and therefore could potentially be ignored. However, the results of any malfunction are likely to cause surface ponding. The clogging of the surface or drainage layers can cause poor outflow water quality due to water bypassing the filter medium to the overflow more frequently than allowed for. During the first few months after installation, the system should be visually inspected after rainfall events, and the amount of deposition measured, to give the operator an idea of the expected of sediment deposition. After this initial period, systems should be inspected each quarter, to verify the appropriate level of maintenance.
- 15.3. Adequate access should be provided for all bioretention areas for inspection and maintenance, including for the appropriate equipment and vehicles.
- 15.4. Litter picking should be frequent, as rubbish is detrimental to the visual appearance of bioretention systems. Frequent street sweeping in the catchment area will increase the time between cleaning out forebays or the filter surface and will reduce the loading of fine suspended solids that can potentially clog the filter medium.
- 15.5. All vegetation management activities should take account of the need to maximise biosecurity and prevent the spread of invasive species.
- 15.6. Maintenance responsibility for all systems should be placed with an appropriate organisation, and Maintenance Plans and schedules should be developed during the design phase. **Table 15.1** provides guidance on the type of operation and maintenance schedule that may be appropriate. The list of actions is not exhaustive, and some actions may not always be required. The most intensive maintenance is required during the establishment period. Herbicides and pesticides (such as Roundup) and fertilizers should not be used on bioretention systems. This is because these pollutants will wash through the system quite easily.
- 15.7. Sediments excavated from pre-treatment devices that receive runoff from residential or standard road and roof areas are generally not toxic or hazardous material and can therefore be safely disposed of by either land application or



landfilling. However, consultation should take place with the environmental regulator to confirm appropriate protocols. Sediment testing may be required before sediment excavation, to determine its classification and appropriate disposal methods. For industrial site runoff, sediment testing will be essential. In the majority of cases, it will be acceptable to distribute the sediment on site, if there is an appropriate safe and acceptable location to do so. Proper disposal of sediment and debris removed must be ensured, and the environmental regulator should be approached for advice where there are any doubts concerning disposal options.



Table 15.1 – Bioretention Systems Maintenance Requirements

Maintenance Schedule	Required Action	Typical Frequency
Regular Inspections	Inspect infiltration surfaces for silting and ponding, record de-watering time of the facility and assess standing water levels in underdrain (if appropriate) to determine if maintenance is necessary	Quarterly
	Check operation of underdrains by inspection of flows after rain	Annually
	Assess plants for disease infection, poor growth, invasive species etc and replace as necessary	Quarterly
	Inspect inlets and outlets for blockages	Quarterly
Regular Maintenance	Remove litter and surface debris and weeds	Quarterly (or more frequently for tidiness or aesthetic reasons)
	Replace and plants, to maintain planting density	As required
	Remove sediment, litter and debris build- up from around inlets or from forebays	Quarterly to biannually
Occasional maintenance	Infill any holes or scour in the filter medium, improve erosion protection if required	As required
	Repair minor accumulations of silt by raking away surface mulch, scarifying surface of medium and replacing mulch	As required
Remedial actions	Remove and replace filter medium and vegetation above.	As required but likely to be >20 years



16. TREES

- 16.1. Maintenance requirements of trees will be the greatest during the first few years, when the tree is becoming established. Early maintenance should involve regular inspection, removal of invasive vegetation and possibly irrigation during long dry periods, particularly in soils with high void ratios. Tree roots need to establish good root-soil contact before they can efficiently extract water from the soil. The expertise of a arboriculturist/landscape architect with local knowledge should be sought regarding appropriate irrigation schedules. Maintenance responsibility for a tree pit or planter should always be placed with an appropriate organisation.
- 16.2. Sediments excavated from a tree pit or planter the receive runoff from residential or standard road and roof areas are generally not toxic or hazardous material and can therefore be safely disposed of by either land application or landfilling. However, consultation should take place with the environmental regulator to confirm appropriate protocols. Sediment testing may be required before sediment excavation to determine its classification and appropriate disposal methods. For runoff, from busy streets with high vehicle traffic sediment testing will be essential.



Table 16.1 – Trees – Maintenance Requirements

Maintenance Schedule	Required Action	Typical Frequency
Regular Maintenance	Remove littler and debris	Monthly (or as required)
	Manage other vegetation and remove nuisance plants	Monthly (at start, then as required)
	Inspect inlets and outlets	Inspect monthly
Occasional maintenance	Check tree health and manage tree appropriately	Annually
	Remove silt build-up from inlets and surface and replace mulch as necessary	Annually, or as required
	Water	As required (in periods of drought)
Monitoring	Inspect silt accumulation rates and establish appropriate removal frequencies	Half yearly



17. PERVIOUS PAVEMENTS

- 17.1. Regular inspection and maintenance is important for the effective operation of previous pavements. Maintenance responsibility for a previous pavement and its surrounding area should be placed with an appropriate responsible organisation. Before handing over the pavement to the client, it should be inspected for clogging, litter, weeds and water ponding, and all failures should be rectified. After handover, the pavement should be inspected regularly, preferably during and after heavy rainfall to check effective operation and to identify any areas of ponding.
- 17.2. Pervious pavements need to be regularly cleaned of silt and other sediments to preserve their infiltration capacity. Extensive experience suggests that sweeping once per year should be sufficient to maintain an acceptable infiltration rate on most sites. However, in some instances, more or less sweeping may be required and the frequency should be adjusted to suit site-specific circumstances and should be informed by inspection reports.
- 17.3. A brush and suction cleaner (which can be a lorry-mounted device or a smaller precint sweeper) should be used for regular sweeping. Care should be taken in adjusting vacuuming equipment to avoid removal of jointing material. Any lost material should be replaced. It is also possible to clean the surface using lightweight rotating brush cleaners combined with power spraying using hot water.
- 17.4. If the surface water has clogged then a more specialist sweeper with water jetting and oscillating and rotating brushes may be required, especially for porous asphalt surfaces, to restore the surface infiltration rate to an acceptable level. The specialist equipment should be adjusted so that it does not strip binder from the aggregate in the asphalt.
- 17.5. The likely design life of the grass reinforcement will be dictated by trafficking and is likely to be about 20 years if designed correctly. For concrete block permeable paving the design life should be no different from standard paving, assuming that an effective maintenance regime is in place to minimise risks of infiltration clogging. Porous asphalt will lose strength and begin to fatigue due to oxidation of the binder. This is likely to occur slightly faster in porous asphalt than normal asphalt, so the design life will be reduced slightly. Porous concrete should have similar design life to a normal concrete slab.
- 17.6. The reconstruction of failed areas of concrete clock pavement should be less costly and disruptive than the rehabilitation of continuous concrete or asphalt porous surfaces due to the reduced area that is likely to be affected. Materials removed from the voids or the layers below the surface may contain heavy metals and hydro carbons and may need to be disposed of as controlled waste. Sediment testing should be carried out before disposal to confirm its classification and appropriate disposal methods.



Table 17.1 – Pervious Pavements

Maintenance	Required Action Typical Frequency			
Schedule	Required Action	- Typical Frequency		
Regular Maintenance	Brushing and vacuuming (standard cosmetic sweep over whole surface) - pay particular attention to areas where water runs onto pervious surface from adjacent impermeable areas and this area is most likely to collect the most sediment. Stabilise and mow contributing and	Once a year, after Autumn leaf fall, or reduce frequency as required, based on site- specific observations of clogging or manufacturer's recommendations As required As required – once per year on less frequently used pavements		
maintenance	adjacent areas Removal of weeds or management using glyphospate applied directly into the weeds by an applicator rather than spraying.			
Remedial actions	Remediate and landscaping which through vegetation maintenance or soil slip, has been raised to within 50mm of the level of paving	As required		
	Remedial work to any depressions, rutting and cracked or broken blocks considered detrimental to the structural performance or a hazard to users, and replace lost jointing material	As required		
	Rehabilitation of surface and upper substructure by remedial sweeping	Every 10 to 15 years or as required (if infiltration performance is reduced due to significant clogging)		
Monitoring	Initial inspection	Monthly for three months after installation		
	Inspect for evidence of poor operation and/or weed growth – if required, take remedial action	Three-monthly, 48hr after large storms in first six months		
	Inspect silt accumulation rates and establish appropriate brushing frequencies	Annually		
	Monitor inspection chambers	Annually		



18. ATTENUATION STORAGE TANKS

- 18.1. Regular inspection and maintenance is required to ensure the effective long-term operation of below-ground storage systems. Maintenance responsibility for systems should be placed with a responsible organisation. **Table 18.1** provides guidance on the type of operational and maintenance requirements that may be appropriate. The list of actions is not exhaustive, and some actions may not always be required.
- 18.2. Maintenance Plans and schedules should be developed during the design phase and will be specific to the type of tank that is adopted. Specific maintenance needs of the system should be monitored, and maintenance schedules adjusted to suit requirements.
- 18.3. CDM 2015 requires designers to ensure that all maintenance risks have been identified, eliminated, reduced and/or controlled where appropriate. This information will be required as part of the health and safety file.



Table 18.1 – Attenuation Storage Tanks – Maintenance Requirements

Maintenance Schedule	Required Action	Typical Frequency	
Regular Maintenance	Inspect and identify any areas that are not operating correctly. If required, take remedial action	Monthly for 3 months, then annually	
	Remove debris from the catchment surface (where it may cause risks to performance)	Monthly	
	For systems where rainfall infiltrates into the tank from above, check surface of filter for blockage by sediment, algae or other matter; remove or replace surface infiltration medium as necessary	Annually	
	Remove sediment from pre- treatment structures and/or internal forebays	Annually, or as required	
Remedial actions	Repair/rehabilitate inlets, outlets, overflows and vents	As required	
Monitoring	Inspect/check all inlets, outlets, vents and overflows to ensure that they are in good condition and operating as designed	Annually	
	Survey inside of tank for sediment build-up and remove if necessary	Every 5 years or as required	



19. DETENTION BASINS

- 19.1. Detention basins will require ongoing regular maintenance to ensure continuing operation to design performance standards, and all designers should provide detailed specifications and frequencies for the required maintenance activities along with likely machinery requirements and typical annual costs within the Maintenance Plan. The treatment performance of bioretention systems is dependent on maintenance, and robust management plans will be required to ensure maintenance is carried out in the long term. Different designs will have different operation and maintenance requirements, but this section gives some generic guidance.
- 19.2. Maintenance of detention basins is relatively straightforward for landscape contractors, and typically there should only be a small amount of extra work (if any) required for a SuDS detention basin over and above what is necessary for standard public open space.
- 19.3. Maintenance responsibility for a basin should always be placed with an appropriate organisation. Adequate access should be provided to all detention basin areas for inspection and maintenance, including for appropriate equipment and vehicles. Litter and debris removal should be undertaken as part of general landscape maintenance for the site and before any other SuDS management task. All litter should be removed from site.
- 19.4. The major maintenance requirement for detention basins is usually mowing. Regular mowing in and around detention basins is only required along maintenance access routes, amenity areas (eg footpaths), across any embankment and across the main storage area. The remaining areas can be managed as "meadow", unless additional management is required for landscape/amenity/recreational or aesthetic reasons.
- 19.5. Mowing should ideally retain grass lengths of 75mm 110mm across the main "treatment" surface to assist in filtering pollutants and retaining sediments and to reduce the risk of flattening during runoff events. Longer lengths of vegetation may be appropriate, depending on the functionality of the component, and it's associated design criteria and are not considered to pose a significant risk to functionality.
- 19.6. Shorter lengths may be required when recreational facilities form part of the basin, but in this case the basin will be dealing with exceedance flows only and not treatment.
- 19.7. Grass clippings should be disposed of off-site or outside the detention basin area to remove nutrients and pollutants. Where a detention basin has a small permanent pool at the outlet, the submerged and emergent aquatic vegetation should be managed as for ponds or wetlands. Plant management, to achieve the desired habitat effect, should be clearly specified in a maintenance schedule. All vegetation management activities should take account of the need to maximise biosecurity and prevent the spread of invasive species.



- 19.8. Occasionally sediment will need to be removed (eg once deposits exceed 25 mm in depth). Sediments excavated from a detention basin that receives runoff from residential or standard road and roof areas are generally not toxic or hazardous and can therefore be safely disposed of by either land application or landfilling. However, consultant should take place with the environmental regulator to confirm appropriate protocols. Sediment testing may be required before sediment excavation to determine its classification and appropriate disposal methods. For runoff from busy streets with high vehicle traffic, sediment testing will be essential. In the majority of cases, it will be acceptable to distribute the sediment on-site if there is an appropriate safe and acceptable location to do so. Any damage due to sediment removal or erosion and scour resulting from major events should be repaired and immediately reseeded or planted.
- 19.9. **Table 19.1** provides guidance on the type of operational and maintenance requirements that may be appropriate. The list of actions is not exhaustive, and some actions may not always be required.
- 19.10. Maintenance Plans and schedules should be developed during the design phase. Specific maintenance needs of the detention basins should be monitored, and maintenance schedules adjusted to suit requirements.
- 19.11. CDM 2015 requires designers to ensure that all maintenance risks have been identified, eliminated, reduced and/or controlled where appropriate. This information will be required as part of the health and safety file.
- 19.12. Many of the specific maintenance activities for detention basins can be undertaken as part of a general landscape management contract and therefore, if landscape management is already required at site, should have marginal cost implications. If basins are implemented within private property, owners should be educated on their routine maintenance needs, and should understand the long-term Maintenance Plan and any legally binding maintenance agreement.



Table 19.1 – Detention basins – Maintenance requirements

Maintenance Schedule	Required Action	Typical Frequency	
Regular	Remove litter and debris	Monthly	
Maintenance	Cut grass – for spillways and access routes	Monthly (during growing season), or as required	
	Cut grass – meadow grass in and around basin	Half yearly (Spring – before nesting season, and Autumn)	
	Manage other vegetation and remove nuisance plants	Monthly (at start, then as required)	
	Inspect inlets, outlets and overflows for blockages, and clear if required	Monthly	
	Inspect banksides, structures, pipework etc for evidence of physical damage	Monthly	
	Inspect inlets and facility surface for silt accumulation. Establish appropriate silt removal frequencies	Monthly (for first year), then annually or as required	
	Check any penstocks and other mechanical devices.	Annually	
	Tidy all dead growth before start of growing season	Annually	
	Remove sediment from inlets, outlet and forebay	Annually (or as required)	
	Manage wetland plants in outlet pool - where provided	Annually	
Occasional maintenance	Reseed areas of poor vegetation growth	As required	
	Prune and trim any trees and remove cuttings	Every 2 years, or as required	
	Remove sediment from inlets, outlets, forebay and main basin when required	Every 5 years, or as required (likely to be minimal requirements where effective upstream source control is provided)	
Monitoring	Repair erosion or other damage by reseeding or re-turfing	As required	
	Realignment of rip-rap	As required	
	Repair/rehabilitation of inlets, outlets and overflows	As required	
	Relevel uneven surfaces and reinstate design levels	As required	



20. PONDS AND WETLANDS

- 20.1. Ponds and wetlands will require regular maintenance to ensure continuing operation to design performance standards, and all designers should provide detailed specifications and frequencies for the required maintenance activities, along with likely machinery requirements and typical annual costs within the Maintenance Plan. The treatment performance of ponds and wetlands is dependant on maintenance, and robust management plans will be required to ensure maintenance requirements, but this section gives some generic guidance.
- 20.2. Maintenance of ponds is relatively straightforward for landscape contractors, and typically there should only be a small amount of extra work required for a SuDS Pond or wetland feature over and above what is necessary for standard public open space.
- 20.3. Regular inspection and maintenance are important for the effective operation of ponds as designed. Maintenance responsibility for a pond and it's surrounding area should always be placed with a responsible organisation. Litter and debris removal should be undertaken as part of general landscape maintenance for the site and before any other SuDS management task. All litter should be removed from site.
- 20.4. Any invasive maintenance work such as silt or vegetation removal is only required intermittently, but it should be planned to be sympathetic to the requirements of wildlife in a pond. Care should be taken to avoid disturbance to nesting birds during the breeding season and habitats to target species (eg great crested newt and water voles) at critical times. The window for carrying out maintenance to achieve this is usually towards the end of the growing season (typically September/October), although this will vary with species). Invasive silt and vegetation removal should only be carried out to limited areas at any one time (25–30% of the pond area on one occasion each year to minimise the impact on biodiversity). Plant management, to achieve particular desired habitat effects, should be clearly specified in a maintenance schedule.
- 20.5. Site vegetation should be trimmed as necessary to keep the pond free of leaves and to maintain the aesthetic appearance of the site. Slope areas that have become bare should be re-vegetated and any eroded areas should be regraded before replanting.
- 20.6. Maintenance access (or "easement") should be provided to the pond from a public or private road. An assessment should be made at the planning stage regarding the maintenance and associated access requirements. Ideally, access should be at least 3.5m wide, have a maximum cross fall of 1 in 7, and be sufficiently robust to withstand maintenance equipment and vehicles. However, temporary access routes for infrequent operations could be considered where permanent routes are not appropriate. The access should extend to any forebay, safety and aquatic benches, inlet and outlet infrastructure. Consideration should be given as to whether maintenance vehicles will need to turn around. Wherever possible SuDS ponds and wetlands should be designed so that special machinery is not required to undertake maintenance.



- 20.7. **Table 20.1** provides guidance on the type of operational and maintenance requirements that may be appropriate. The list of actions is not exhaustive and some actions may not always be required. Consideration should be given to the need to control risks to biosecurity during maintenance operations.
- 20.8. Sediments excavated from ponds or forebays that receive runoff from residential or standard road and roof areas should be safely disposed of in accordance with current waste management legislation. However, consultation should take place with the environmental regulator to confirm appropriate protocols. Chemical testing of the sediment may be required, before sediment excavation, to determine it's classification and appropriate disposal methods. For industrial site runoff, sediment testing will be acceptable to distribute the sediment on site, if there is an appropriate safe and acceptable location to do so. If ponds are to be drawn down, care should be taken to prevent downstream discharge of sediments and anoxic water. The environmental regulator should be notified before such activities.
- 20.9. New ponds may become rapidly dominated by invasive native plants, particularly common bulrush (Typha latifolia). As it is not desirable for all new ponds to be bulrush dominated, it should be ensured that in the first five years, while vegetation is establishing, certain plant growth is controlled. After this time, ponds can usually be allowed to develop naturally recognising that, unless the margins are occasionally managed, they are likely to be dominated by trees and shrubs.
- 20.10. Eutrophication of SuDS ponds can occur during the summer months. This is best alleviated by controlling the nutrient source of providing a continuous baseflow to the pond. Unless eutrophication is severe, aeration can be used as a stop-gap measure to save aquatic animal species and reduce risks to receiving waters. However, the addition of barley straw bales, dredging or rendering the nutrients inactive by chemical means can also be successful.
- 20.11. Maintenance Plans and schedules should be developed during the design phase. Specific maintenance needs of a pond should be monitored, and maintenance schedules adjusted to suit requirements.
- 20.12. CDM 2015 requires designers to ensure that all maintenance risks have been identified, eliminated, reduced and/or controlled where appropriate. This information will be required as part of the health and safety file.



Table 20.1 – Ponds and Wetlands – Maintenance requirements

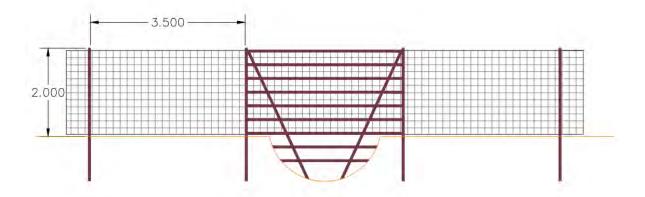
Maintenance	Required Action	Typical
Schedule		Frequency
Regular	Remove litter and debris	Monthly (or as
Maintenance		required)
	Cut the grass – public areas	Monthly (or as
		required
	Cut the meadow grass	Spring and
		Autumn
	Inspect marginal and bankside vegetation and	Monthly at
	remove nuisance plants (for first 3 years)	start, then as
		required
	Inspect inlets, outlets, banksides, structures,	Monthly
	pipework etc for evidence of blockage and/or	
	physical damage	Monthly (May
	Inspect water body for signs of poor water quality	Monthly (May – October)
	Inspect silt accumulation rates in any forebay and in main body of the pond and establish	Half yearly
	appropriate removal frequencies; undertake	
	contamination testing once some build-up has	
	occurred, to inform management and disposal	
	options	
	Check any mechanical devices e.g. penstocks	Half yearly
	Hand cut submerged and emergent aquatic	Annually
	plants (at minimum of 0.1m above pond base;	
	include max 25% of pond surface)	
	Remove 25% of bank vegetation from water's	Annually
	edge to a minimum of 1m above sea level	
	Tidy all dead growth (scrub clearance) before	Annually
	start of growing season (Note; tree maintenance	
	is usually part of overall landscape management contract)	
	Remove sediment from any forebay	Every 1-5 years,
		or as required
	Remove sediment and planting from one	Every 5 years,
	quadrant of the main body of ponds without	or as required
	sediment forebays	
Occasional	Remove sediment from the main body of big	With effective
maintenance	ponds when pool volume is reduced by 20%	pre-treatment,
		this will only be
		every 25-50
Remedial	Panair arasian or other damage	years
actions	Repair erosion or other damage Replant, where necessary	As required As required
actions		As required As required
	Aerate pond when signs of eutrophication are detected	As required
	Realign rip-rap or repair other damage	As required
	Repair/rehabilitation inlets, outlets and	As required
	overflows	



21. DITCH FENCE CROSSINGS

- 21.1. The below figure shows "Typical Fence Details Ditch Crossing".
- 21.2. Maintenance will be required to ensure the ditch fencing does not experience a build up of debris which could then impact the existing water flows through the ditches and may impact flood risk.
- 21.3. Regular inspections will be required to remove any debris against the proposed fencing and in the immediate vicinity.
- 21.4. Inspections are initially suggested to be carried out monthly, with this to be reviewed should any issues be observed. It is also recommended to carry out an inspection after any significant storm events that may cause increase build-up of debris.

Figure 21.1 - Typical Fence Details - Ditch Crossing



Timber post & wire fence — ditch crossing *Not to be used for IDB drains*



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