



# BEACON FEN ENERGY PARK

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# 1. Introduction

## 1.1 Overview

- 1.1.1 An Application for Beacon Fen Energy Park ("the Proposed Development") was made by Beacon Fen Energy Park Limited ("the Applicant") to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero ("the Secretary of State") for a Development Consent Order (DCO) ("the Order") under section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 ("PA 2008") (Ref. 1).
- 1.1.2 On 12 August 2025, the Examining Authority (ExA) issued its Rule 6 letter [PD-003] which set out in Annex D a request for a draft itinerary for the Accompanied Site Inspection (ASI) to be submitted by the Applicant at Deadline 1 (Tuesday 07 October 2025).
- 1.1.3 To support this, Annex D of the Rule 6 letter also sets out the request for suggested location(s) for site inspections (accompanied or unaccompanied), including justification and whether the locations require access to private land (if any) for Procedural Deadline A (Tuesday 16 September).
- 1.1.4 Following this, comments on the Applicants draft itinerary for the ASI will be submitted to the ExA for Deadline 2 (Tuesday 21 October 2025).
- 1.1.5 These timescales were later confirmed in the ExA's Rule 8 Letter on 1 October 2025.
- 1.1.6 The Applicant notes that during Issue Specific Hearing 1 held 24 September 2025 the ExA requested that the Applicant (and other parties who suggested potential ASI locations) considered whether they needed to be visited as part of an ASI or whether the ExA could visit them unaccompanied but with pre-arranged access where required for non-publicly accessible, private land.
- 1.1.7 The Applicant believes that a site visit to the locations previously suggested in the Applicant's Suggested Locations for Site Inspections [PDA-008] could be visited unaccompanied, as the Applicant can arrange access to the locations located on private land at the ExA's convenience.
- 1.1.8 With regards to the locations suggested by North Kesteven District Council (NKDC) [PDA-015] and Boston Borough Council (BBC) [PDA-016], following engagement with both the Applicant agrees that it may be helpful for the ExA to also visit the Public Right of Way Bick/2/1 by Bicker Fen Substation (location 9 in table 2.1) and long distance view of Kyme Tower (location 12).
- 1.1.9 Nevertheless, for robustness the Applicant has prepared a draft itinerary which includes all of the locations suggested by the Applicant, in addition to all those suggested by NKDC and BBC.
- 1.1.10 Regard has also been had to the note detailing the ExA's Unaccompanied Site Inspection on 10 July 2025 [PD-002] to avoid duplication, unless private views from certain receptors were specifically requested by NKDC or BBC. This means that locations 1, 5, 7, 10, 11 14 and 16 as set out in Figure 2.1 are not included in the itinerary.

## 2. Draft Itinerary for the ASI

### 2.1 General Arrangements

#### Preparation of the draft itinerary

- 2.1.1 The Applicant has set out the planned inspection points for the ASI, as well as approximate timings and information relevant to the location in **Table 2.1** below. The locations of the inspection points are shown in **Figure 2.1** with those in yellow suggested by the Applicant (numbers 1 to 7), those in blue suggested by NKDC (numbers 12 to 25) and those in green suggested by BBC (numbers 8 to 11).
- 2.1.2 The draft itinerary has been prepared having reviewed the locations submitted by Interested Parties at Procedural Deadline A, as set out in paragraph 1.1.10, and the Applicant's own suggestions.

#### Timings and Assumptions

- 2.1.3 The Applicant believes this ASI could be carried out in just over a half a day.
- 2.1.4 The Applicant also believes this could be carried out unaccompanied, in which case the timings would not change.
- 2.1.5 This itinerary has been drafted on the basis that any included PRowWs will be accessible at the time of the site inspection. It has not been possible to verify this on the ground however; the Applicant has reviewed Lincolnshire's Public Rights of Way website<sup>1</sup> and LCC have also confirmed that the suggested PRowWs remain active.

#### Transport

- 2.1.6 Should an ASI be held, the Applicant will provide transport for all attendees during the ASI for convenience due to the limited number of parking spaces close to many of the inspection locations. Attendees will need to make their own arrangements to get to and from the meeting place.
- 2.1.7 The transport provided by the Applicant will return to the meeting place upon the conclusion of the ASI.
- 2.1.8 The Applicant can confirm that all of the Applicant's chosen locations can be accessed using a standard vehicle or on foot from a short distance away.

#### Health and Safety

- 2.1.9 For the safety of themselves and others, attendees will be required at all times to comply with the Applicant's applicable site security and safety requirements, for which a briefing will be provided.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/coast-countryside/public-rights-way/6>



- 2.1.10 A first aid kit will be provided on the transport for the ASI, and the Applicant will provide a qualified first aider.
- 2.1.11 The Applicant will carry out a briefing ahead of the start of the ASI. The aim of this briefing will be to ensure that attendees are aware of any health and safety risks. It is important to follow all instructions and to remain with group.
- 2.1.12 Part of the ASI may involve walking in areas which have become muddy. Footwear should have ankle support and suitable grip. Long sleeve clothing/ long trousers are recommended. Attendees are also recommended to bring waterproofs, sun cream and multiple layers due to the potential for changeable weather.

### Next Steps

- 2.1.13 Interested Parties will have an opportunity to provide comments on this ASI Itinerary by 21 October 2025. Following this, should the ExA propose an ASI it will take place w/c 10 November 2025 and the ExA will publish the final Itinerary ahead of this.

## 2.2 Proposed Itinerary for the ASI

Table 2.1 Proposed Itinerary for the ASI

Inspection Point (As Per FIGS 2.1)	Location (What 3 Words)	Location (Easting, Northing)	Destination	Publicly Accessible	Indicative Timings
Meeting Point	sandpaper.merely.called	514821, 346916	Meeting Point of ASI	Private land	9:30am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Signing in attendees.</li> </ul> 9.45am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Welcome and briefing by the ExA.</li> <li>▪ Health and safety briefing by the Applicant.</li> </ul>
18/19 <sup>2</sup>	whom.eagles.increases	515518, 347211	Westmorelands / Asgarby Fen Farm (non-designated HER ML1121926)	Private land	10.00am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Board minibus and drive east along Howell Fen Drove.</li> <li>▪ Alight for private views from Asgarby Fen Farm.</li> </ul>
22 <sup>3</sup>	sidelined.clerk.validated	515356, 347288	R2 Group Receptor: Howell Fen Farmhouse, Asgarby Barns, Westmorelands Farm (potential views of	Private land	10.15am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Walk north along track toward inspection point</li> </ul>

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			Solar Array Area and Cable Route Corridor);		<p>from Asgarby Fen Farm.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Turn around and walk back to transfer back onto minibus.</li> </ul>
6	irritate.hairpin.clash	513412, 347047	Main Access into Main Site and start of Bespoke Access Road	Publicly accessible by road	<p>10.25am</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Drive west along Howell Fen Road.</li> <li>▪ Turn right onto Heckington Road.</li> <li>▪ Alight at Main Access into Solar Array Area.</li> </ul>
2	shift.noble.withdraws	515937, 348361	Adjacent to South Kyme Pumping Station. High banks provide good views across main Solar Array Area	Private land	<p>10.40am</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Continue in minibus east along existing farm track through Site.</li> <li>▪ Turn right at end of track toward South Kyme Pumping Station.</li> <li>▪ Alight at inspection location.</li> </ul>
3	spilling.snuck.computer	515607, 348130	Walking between above mentioned location and this location follows the indicative route of permissive path.	Private land	<p>11.00am</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Walk west along proposed route of permissive path for about 400m.</li> </ul>



					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Turn around and return to minibus</li> </ul>
4	neater.withdraws.partner	514441, 347639	Location of main proposed entrance to Onsite Substation / BESS Compound.	Private land	11.25am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Return north and then west along existing farm track.</li> <li>Alight at inspection location.</li> </ul>
21 <sup>4</sup>		513436, 347707	Ewerby Thorpe Farm and Ewerby Lodge ref 513475,347615	Private land	11.35am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue west in minibus before turning right, heading north toward Ewerby Thorpe.</li> <li>Alight mini bus for private views from Ewerby Thorpe Farm and Ewerby Lodge</li> </ul>
12 <sup>5</sup>	pure.handsets.bravery	513423, 347886	Viewpoint north of Ewerby Thrope toward South Kyme Tower	Publicly accessible by road	11.45am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Drive north along Halfpenny Toll Lane.</li> <li>Alight at inspection location for long distance view of South Kyme Tower.</li> </ul>

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<sup>5</sup> NKDC confirmed the exact location of this Inspection Point following Issue Specific Hearing 1. The Applicant agrees this inspection location should be visited.

17 <sup>6</sup>	whiplash.snips.speedily	513744, 348467	R3 Group Receptor: Copperhill Kennels Cattery, Waithe Farmhouse, The Grange, Ferry Farm and Mere House	Private	11.55am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue in minibus heading north along Halfpenny Toll Lane.</li> <li>Alight for private views from Copperhill Kennels.</li> </ul>
23 <sup>7</sup>	remember.barefoot.shuttling	513859, 348728	Ewerby Waithe Farmhouse, Unnamed Farmstead, Ewerby and Evedon (non- designated HER MLI121913)	Publicly accessible by road	12.00 midday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue in minibus heading north along Halfpenny Toll Lane.</li> <li>Alight for views from Ewerby Waithe Farmhouse.</li> </ul>
20/24 <sup>8</sup>	basics.denim.blending	515267, 348858	Gashes Barn (non- designated HER MLI121916))	Private land	12.10pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue in minibus along Halfpenny Toll Ln before turning right, driving towards the end of Black Drove.</li> <li>Alight for private views from Gashes Barn.</li> </ul>
25 <sup>9</sup>	embodied.beards.jumbo	513547, 346403	R20 Group Receptor: (Howell) including Crown Cottage and Keepers Cottage.	Private land	12.20pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Transfer back onto minibus, heading back along Halfpenny Toll Lane.</li> </ul>

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alight for private views from R20 Group Receptor.</li> </ul>
15 <sup>10</sup>	founding.driving.crank	512326, 345595	Boughton House	Private land	12:30pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Travel in minibus back along Howell Fen Drove, turning left through Howell and then right along road toward Asgarby.</li> <li>Turn left at junction to Boughton House and alight for private views.</li> </ul>
13 <sup>11</sup>	smile.clustered.yarn	511668, 345306	Asgarby Hall	Private land	12:40pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Travel in minibus west (towards A17), alighting for private views from Asgarby Hall.</li> </ul>
8 <sup>12</sup>	blatantly.iterative.infringe	519927, 341761.	Crossing point of the cable corridor at South Forty Foot Drain into the Borough on Timms' Drove	Private land	12:50pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Drive towards the A17 to head southbound. Turn right at the junction approximately 0.7km after</li> </ul>

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					<p>Swineshead Station along Timm's Drove towards the inspection point.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Alight from minibus and walk to inspection point across private land.</li> </ul>
9 <sup>13</sup>	rings.sapping.afterglow	520206, 338486	PROW 2/1 runs adjacent to the existing Substation	Public Right of Way	<p>1:10pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ In minibus head back along Timm's Drove and turn right onto the A17.</li> <li>▪ Turn right along Donington Road (A52) and then right onto Monument Road.</li> <li>▪ Travel through Bicker Bar and then along Cowbridge Road.</li> <li>▪ Alight junction between Bicker Bar and PROW 2/1. Join PROW 2/1 heading southwest for approximately 0.55km, reaching inspection point.</li> </ul>

<sup>13</sup> The Applicant agrees this inspection location, as suggested by BBC, should be visited.

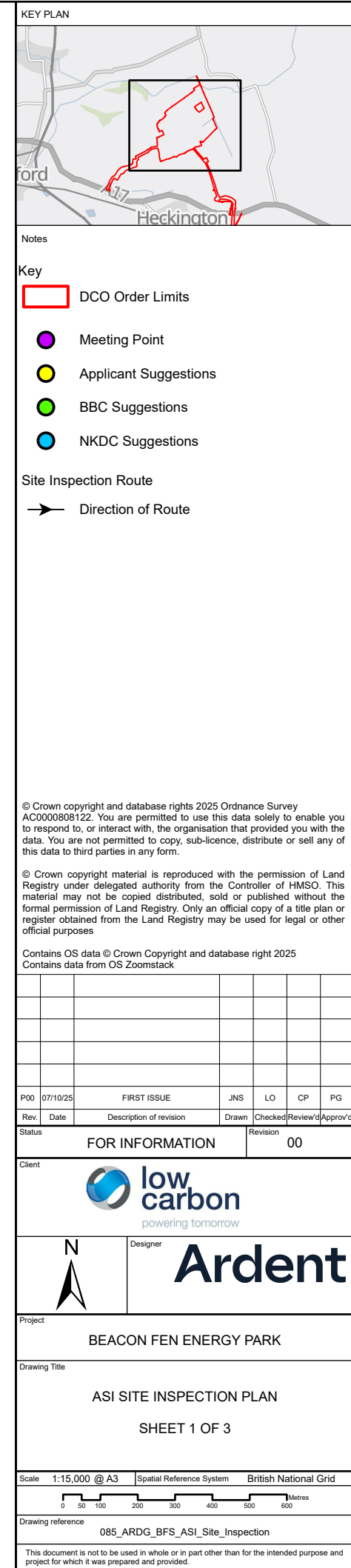
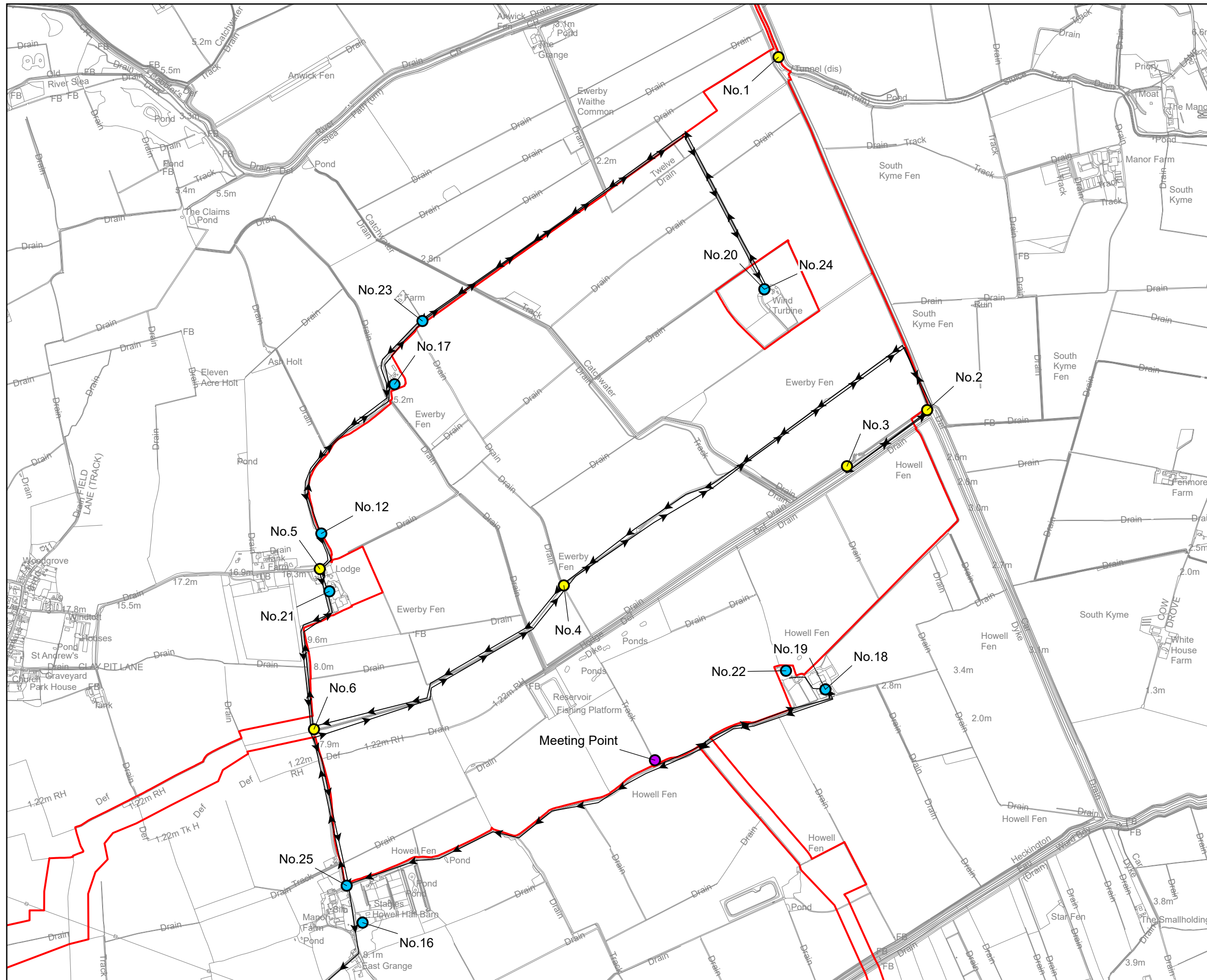
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Walk back and return to minibus.</li> </ul>
Meeting Point	sandpaper.merely.called	514821, 346916	Meeting Point of ASI	Private land	1:30pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Minibus to return to meeting point of ASI.</li> <li>▪ ASI to conclude at approximately 2:00pm.</li> </ul>

**Figure 2.1: Proposed ASI Site Inspection Plan**

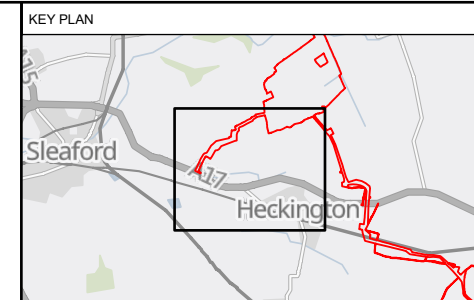
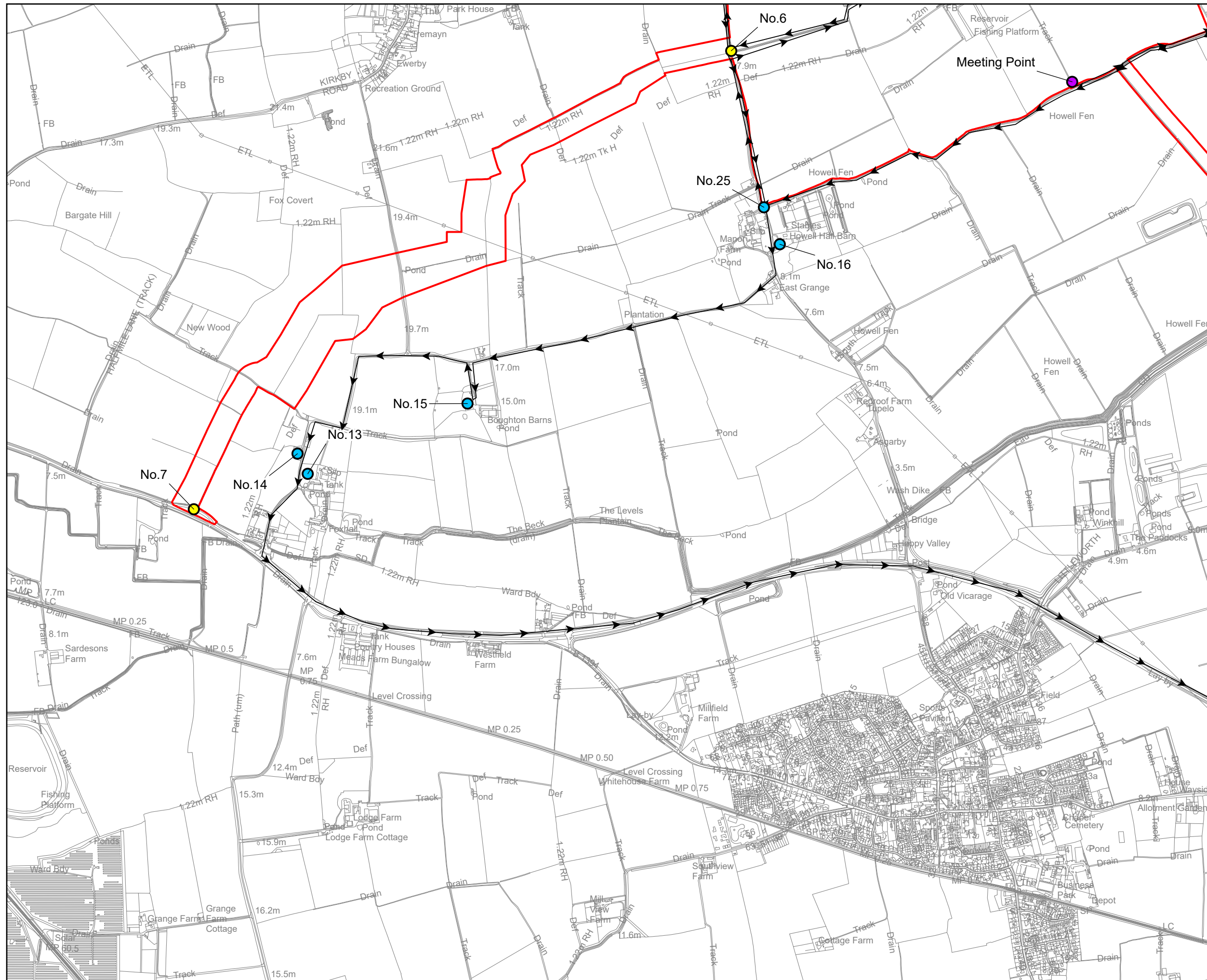













## Notes

Key

 DCO Order Limits

- Meeting Point
- Applicant Suggestions
- BBC Suggestions
- NKDC Suggestions

Site Inspection Route





→ Direction of Route

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