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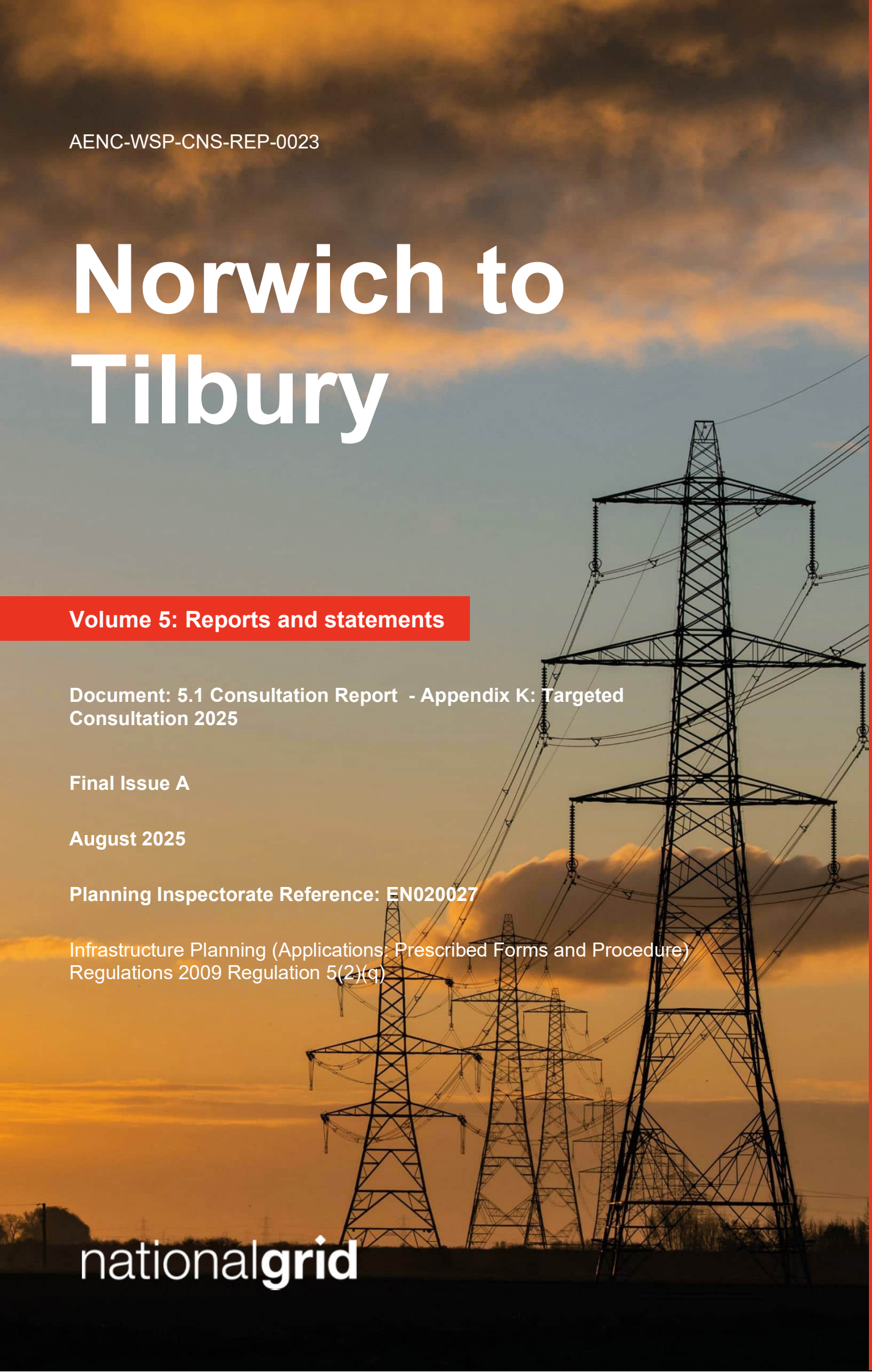

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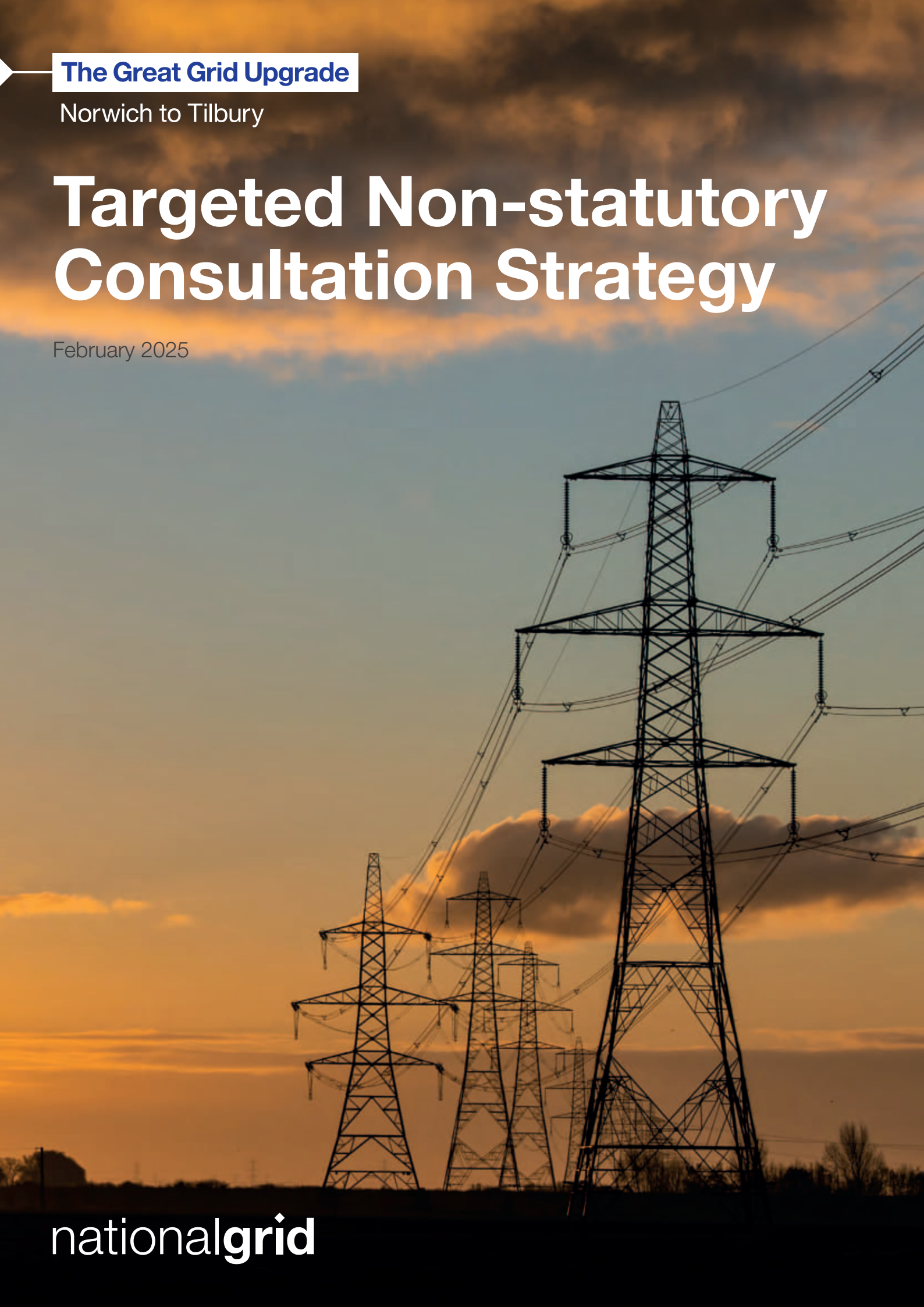
Targeted non-statutory consultation strategy

The Great Grid Upgrade

Norwich to Tilbury

Targeted Non-statutory Consultation Strategy

February 2025



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Introduction

National Grid is committed to engaging and consulting with communities and stakeholders to give people the opportunity to provide feedback and insight at formative stages of projects.

Our approach to engagement in support of Norwich to Tilbury is guided by the requirements of the Planning Act 2008 and government guidance as set out in *Planning Act 2008: Pre-application stage for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects.*

Our first non-statutory consultation was held between 21 April 2022 and 16 June 2022. This was followed by a second non-statutory consultation held between 27 June 2023 and 21 August 2023.

We then held a statutory consultation between 10 April 2024 and 26 July 2024 when we consulted on our refined proposals, including a draft alignment, a new substation in East Anglia, six cable sealing end (CSE) compound locations, temporary construction works and an alternative design at Waveney Valley. We set out how we intended to consult in a Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) published in April 2024 and we carried out the statutory consultation in accordance with that SoCC.

Further details of how we carried out these consultations and the proposals we presented at each stage can be found on our project website: nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury

Following the close of statutory consultation in July 2024, we reviewed and considered all consultation feedback and continued to carry out further assessments and survey work to inform our proposals. As a result, we are now considering making some changes to our proposals at a number of locations. These changes include moving some pylon locations and temporary works including access roads, tracks and construction compounds.

We have therefore chosen to hold further targeted consultations to provide stakeholders and the public with the opportunity to provide feedback on these proposed changes before we finalise our proposals for submission. As these changes would not fundamentally change the project as a whole, a targeted consultation approach is proposed, which is in line with guidance (Planning Act 2008: Pre-application stage for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects, paragraph 020) issued in April 2024 by the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (now Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government):

"For any material change to a part of the proposed application where the project as a whole is not fundamentally changed, for example in the case of linear aspects where new information leads to a new alignment for a particular section of the proposal, a bespoke and targeted approach to further consultation can be adopted, which can address the specific consultation obligations arising proportionately."

"Targeted consultation can be statutory or non-statutory or a combination of the two depending on whether new persons needing to be consulted under section 42 of the Planning Act have been identified, but such targeted consultation will not require the production of PEI provided proportionate and appropriate information on environmental implications of any changes, where necessary, is provided."

This Targeted Non-Statutory Consultation Strategy sets out how we will undertake further targeted consultation so far as is relevant, practicable and proportionate in accordance with the principles and methods which are set out in the SoCC and the requirements of the Planning Act 2008 and relevant guidance.

In all cases, where any new persons needing to be consulted under section 42 of the Planning Act (such as landowners) are identified, we will also engage separately under those provisions of the Act and related guidance.

All consultation carried out, whether statutory or non-statutory, will be considered fully; the project team will look at all feedback and have regard to any relevant responses received.

For further clarification on any of the detail included within this document, we have a glossary of terms and acronyms which can be found at the following website address: www.nationalgrid.com/uk/electricity-transmission/about-us/glossary-terms-and-acronyms

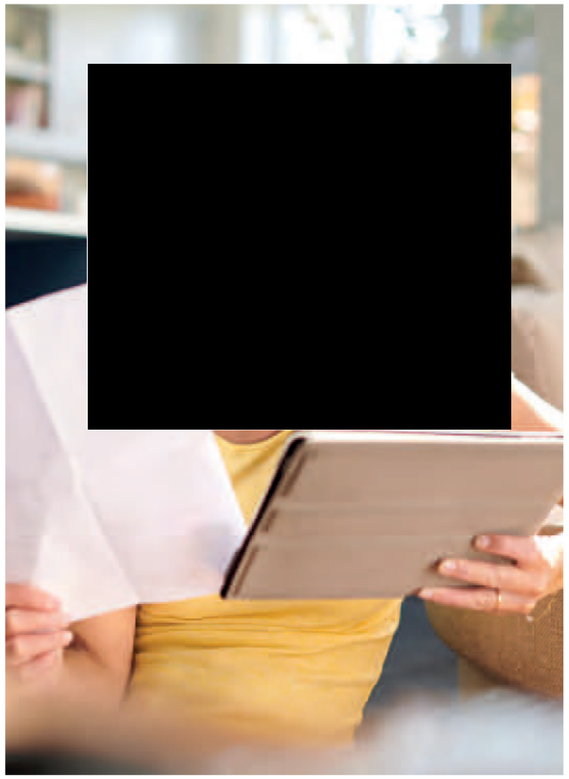
Targeted consultation locations

We are consulting local residents in locations where we are considering changes to the proposed project presented to the public at statutory consultation which ran from April to July 2024. A list of the locations can be found on our project website.

We have grouped changes geographically where appropriate to make it as easy as possible for people to understand the proposed changes in their area and provide feedback.

We have developed a bespoke consultation zone for each targeted non-statutory consultation location to include nearby properties which are likely to be affected. These have been created following the principle that each consultation zone should be appropriate and proportionate in relation to the type and potential impact of the change. Where it is appropriate to do so, potential changes have been grouped with a single consultation zone covering the grouped changes.

The consultation zones will be published on the project website as an appendix to this strategy.



Timing of consultation

We plan to hold a series of non-statutory targeted consultations on the proposed changes along the route of the project. The consultations will be open for 30 days and we will write to stakeholders to notify them of detailed timings, along with information on the locations where we are consulting on proposed changes. Dates and locations will also be published on the project website.

Non-statutory targeted consultation activities

We are committed to ensuring our non-statutory targeted consultations are inclusive and will reach those who otherwise may not engage with us or do not have access to the most traditional and conventional methods of consultation.

Community consultation

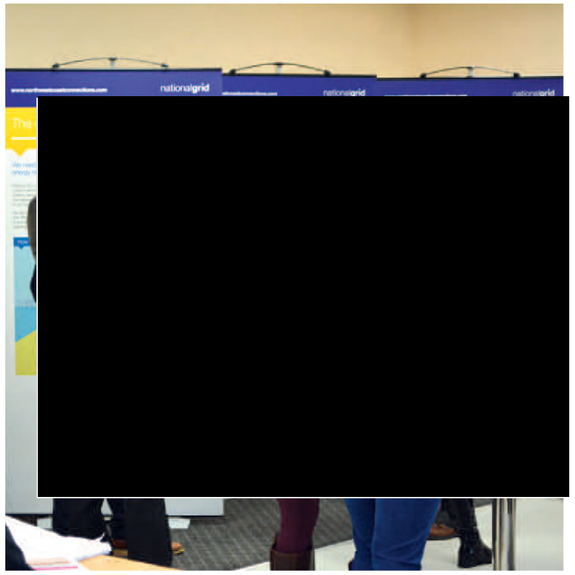
We will send a letter to each property that falls within the relevant consultation zone setting out information on the targeted consultation and inviting the recipient to provide feedback.

Residents will also receive a consultation leaflet that explains what we are now proposing in their area and why, a map showing the proposed change in their area (as well as what had been previously presented at statutory consultation where applicable), how people can take part and provide feedback, an Environmental Implication of Change document setting out appropriate and proportionate environmental information on the implications of the proposed change, and a feedback questionnaire and a freepost envelope.

We will seek to raise awareness of the project and public consultation with stakeholders and the public more broadly, including by:

- notifying the local and regional media via press release
- notifying the local parish / parish council, and offering a briefing via Teams
- publishing full details of the targeted consultations on the project website
- notifying our contact database via our regular project update e-mail newsletter
- providing contact information for the community relations team widely within materials posted within the consultation zones, to local authorities and parish councils
- running an advert in local media titles on / following consultation launch
- notifying hard to reach groups as identified within the SoCC.

We also highlighted the upcoming targeted consultations in an edition of our Community Newsletter, which was posted in January 2025 to approximately 77,000 properties along the route of the project.



Parish council consultation

We will notify parish clerks where any proposed changes fall within their parish boundary and set out all the proposed changes within their parish. The parish councils will be invited to provide feedback on changes within their area.

The parish councillors will also be invited to attend digital briefings, to be held by county.

Stakeholder briefings and meetings

We will offer briefings, either online or in-person, to provide information about the targeted consultation and respond to any questions for stakeholders including:

- Members of Parliament where the location of proposed changes falls into all or part of their constituencies.
- Elected representatives where the location of proposed changes falls into all or part of their ward. Briefings will be carried out via Teams.

Public webinars

We will hold public webinars for residents living near to the proposed changes along the route of the project. People will be able to sign up via the website. We will tailor the webinars to cover the proposed changes on a county-by-county basis.

Each webinar presentation will be recorded and made available on the project website for playback by those who cannot attend the webinar sessions. The sessions will also include time for questions and answers.

Consultation materials

We will make all consultation documents available on the project website, including:

- a consultation leaflet for each location, including maps and potential environmental implications
- an Environmental Implications of Change document
- a downloadable feedback questionnaire
- an online feedback questionnaire
- contact details.

Project website

Our project website is where all information relating to these targeted consultations and all previous consultations is located. The website will be updated to include all relevant information for the targeted consultation.

Maps and visuals

Maps showing the proposed changes we are consulting on will be made available in the document library. We are not updating the interactive project map at this time, but it will remain available and include an explanation of what the map is showing and where the latest proposals can be viewed.

Accessibility

If people need consultation materials presented in different formats, we will consider this on request.

Function	Description
Project website document library with access to the information	The library is our ‘go to’ deposit location for all project information. All information relating to the targeted consultations will be uploaded here. This includes the consultation leaflets being sent out to properties in the consultation zones. People will also be able to continue to access information related to all previous consultations and interim updates and milestones via this library.
Consultation pages to display all relevant information and material being presented for consultation	The location of each proposed change we are consulting on will be laid out in ‘accordion’ format on the consultation pages so people can navigate to the section and proposed change they are interested in. Information will be laid out in a simple, visual and interactive format, with pointers and instructions throughout to aid easy navigation. This includes a link to the online feedback questionnaire. We will also provide links and registration instructions for the public webinars we are holding.
Environmental Implications of Change (EIC) document	For each location we are consulting on, we will develop and publish an Environmental Implications of Change (EIC) document. This will set out proportionate and appropriate information on the environmental implications of the proposed change in each location and how that may or may not differ to those effects laid out with the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR).
FAQs	This will help visitors find answers to frequently asked questions.
Project update section	This section allows members of the public to stay updated on the project and provides an easily accessible place for all recent updates to be hosted.
Project contact details	This includes telephone, email and freepost details for the public to get in contact and request further details or ask questions.
Feedback questionnaire	The online questionnaire will enable members of the public to provide their feedback easily for each location and submit to the project team. The document can also be downloaded from the website and returned by email or printed and sent back via Freepost. Paper copies will also be posted on request.
GDPR (Legal statement)	All personal data will be held in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) (EU) 2016/679 and personal data will not be transferred outside of the European Economic Area or used for purposes other than those outlined. The website will be made accessible for all users through the provision of audio guides, videos, other visual material and the ability to request translation. You can find more information about our privacy policy on our website here.

Providing feedback

We want to make providing feedback as easy as possible for all our stakeholders and communities. Paper copies of the feedback questionnaire, along with a Freepost envelope, will be mailed to addresses that fall within our consultation zones and available on request. Website visitors will be able to provide their feedback via our online feedback questionnaire or by downloading it to return by email or Freepost (address listed below).

Each location has been given **a reference name and number** and we will ask people to quote this when providing feedback. This will enable us to consider their feedback in relation to the specific location of the proposed change(s). Reference names and numbers will be identified in the consultation leaflets sent to addresses in the consultation zones and in relevant sections on the project website.

Our contact and feedback channels are the same as they were at statutory consultation:

Email – **contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com**

Freepost – **FREEPOST N TO T**

Online feedback questionnaire **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**

People will also be able to call our hotline on **0800 915 2497** if they have any questions

We will review and consider all the feedback we receive following the close of the targeted consultations and this will be used to continue to inform the development and refinement of our proposals alongside further assessment and survey work. All the feedback we receive will be responded to in our Consultation Report, which will form part of our DCO application.

Further consultation

We may carry out further targeted consultation either with communities or landowners following feedback and our ongoing studies on a non-statutory or statutory basis. Where this is the case, we will carry out consultation so far as is relevant, practicable and proportionate in accordance with the principles and methods which are set out in this strategy and the SoCC as well as the requirements of the Planning Act 2008 and relevant guidance.

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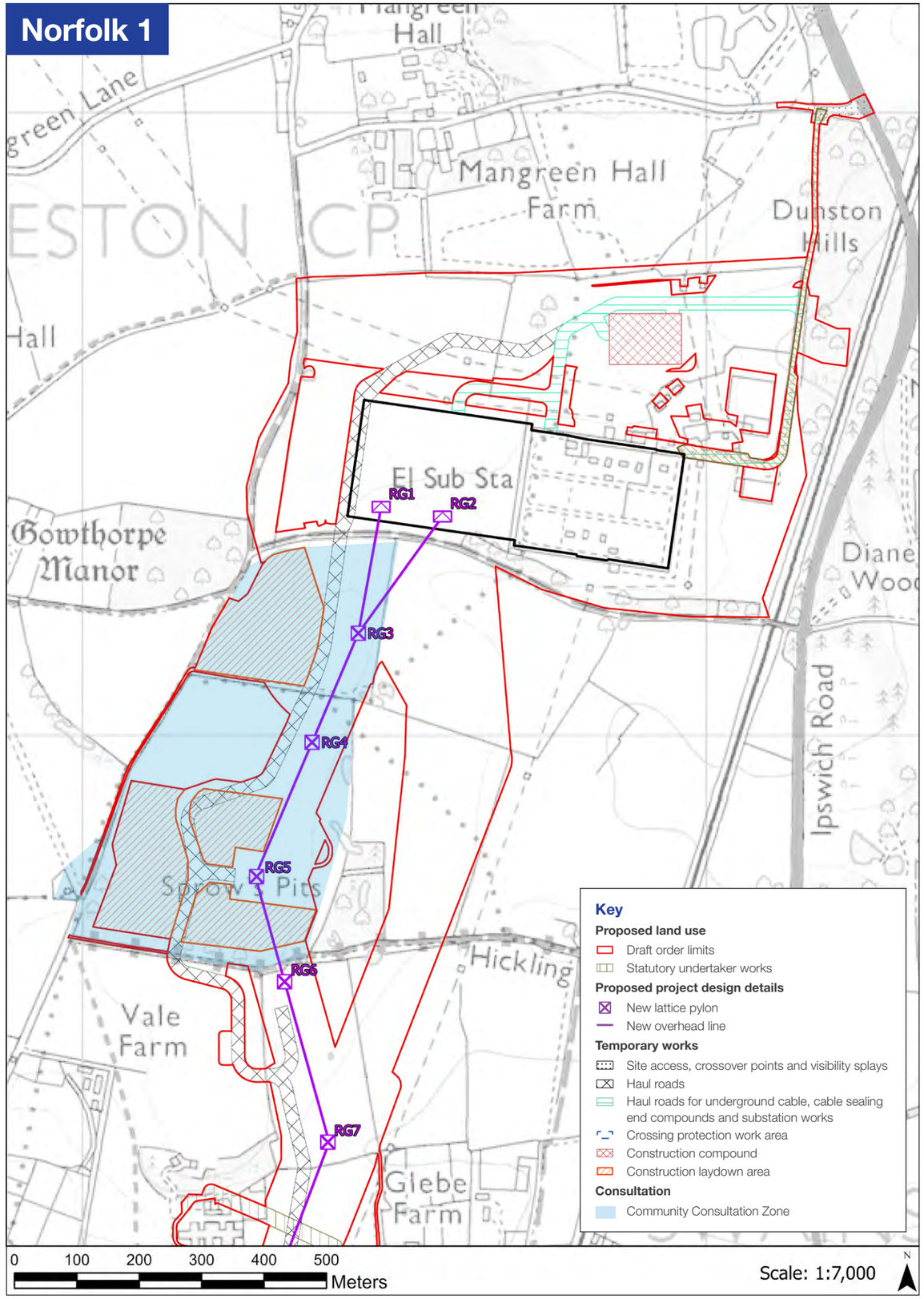

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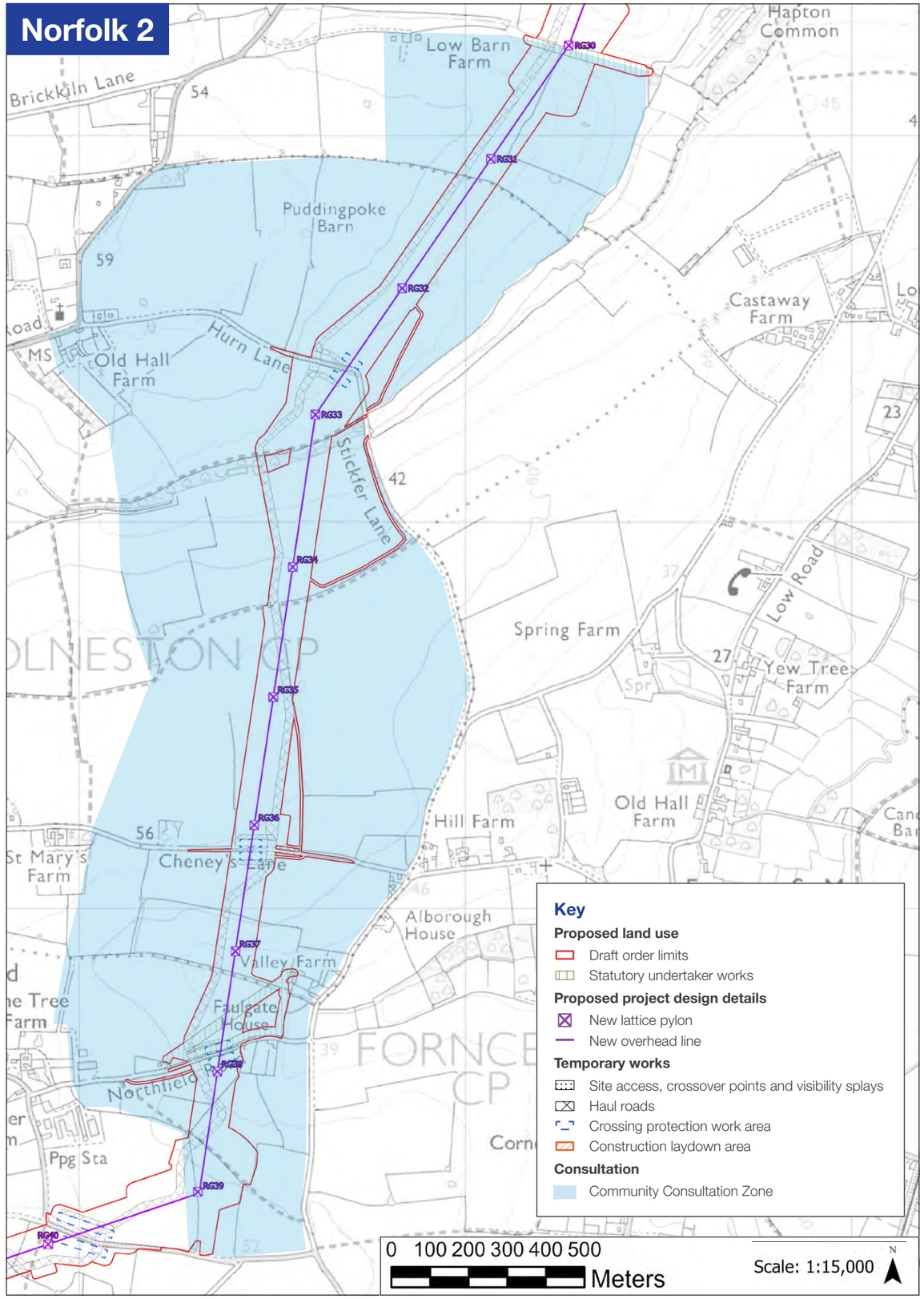

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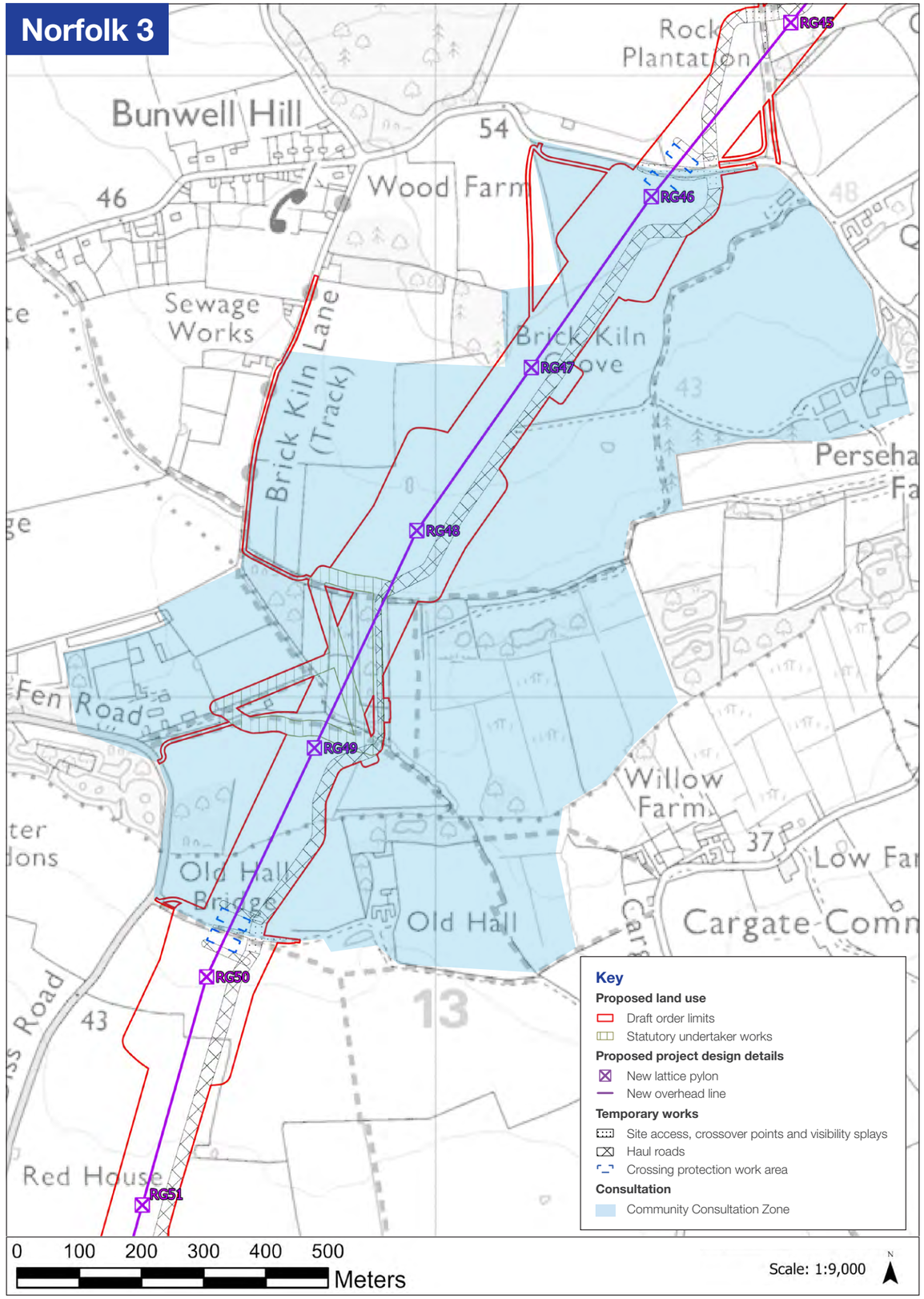

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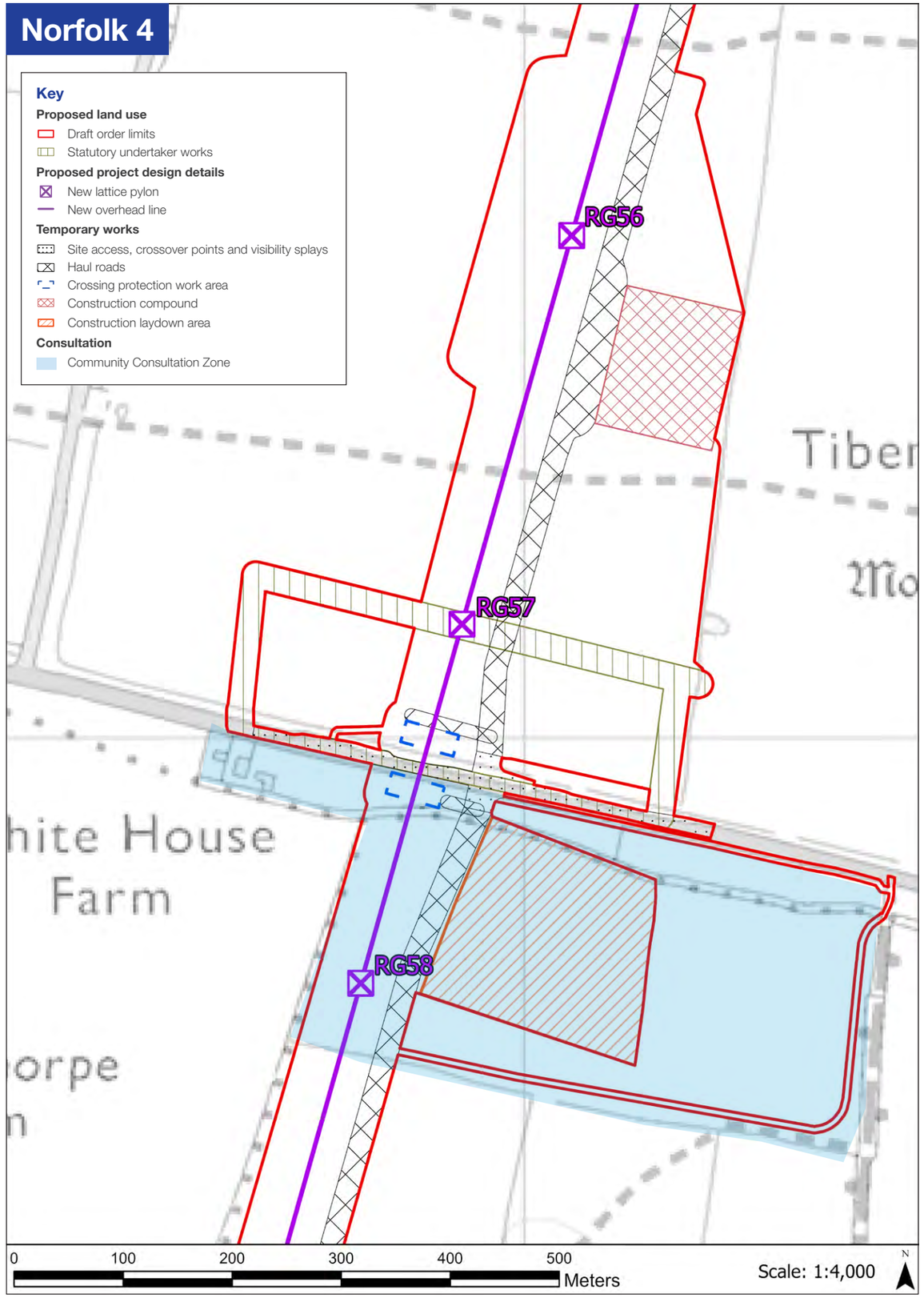

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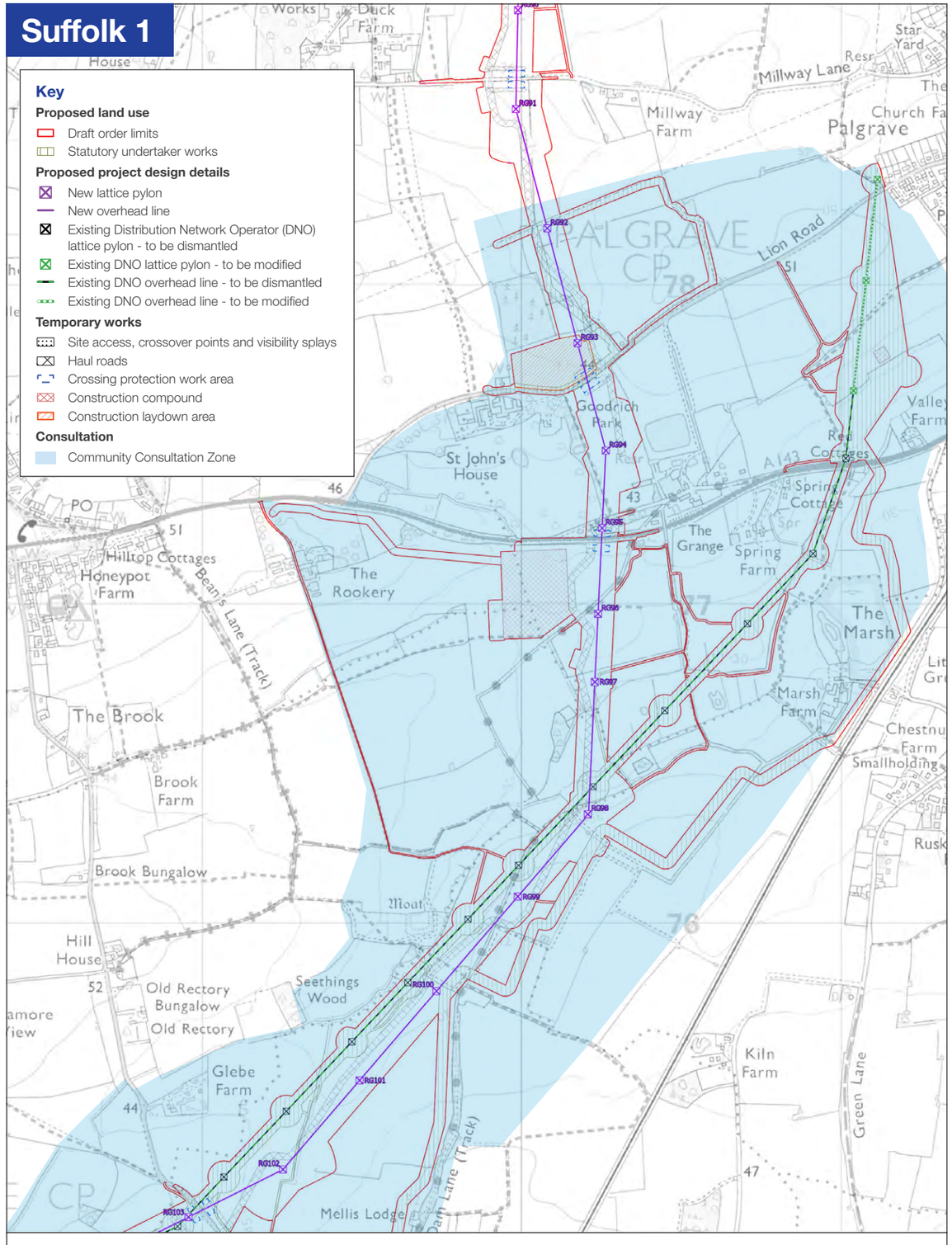

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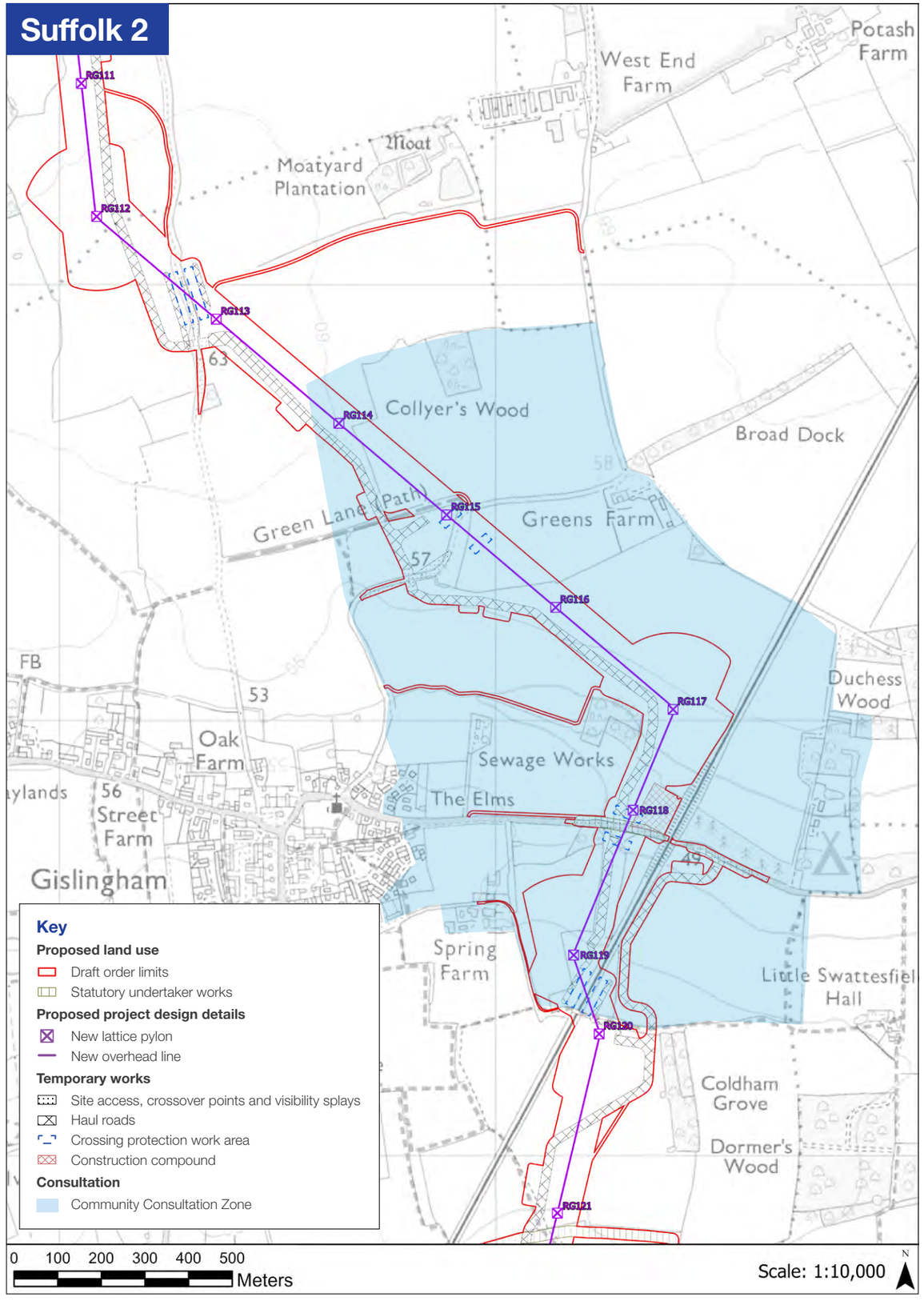

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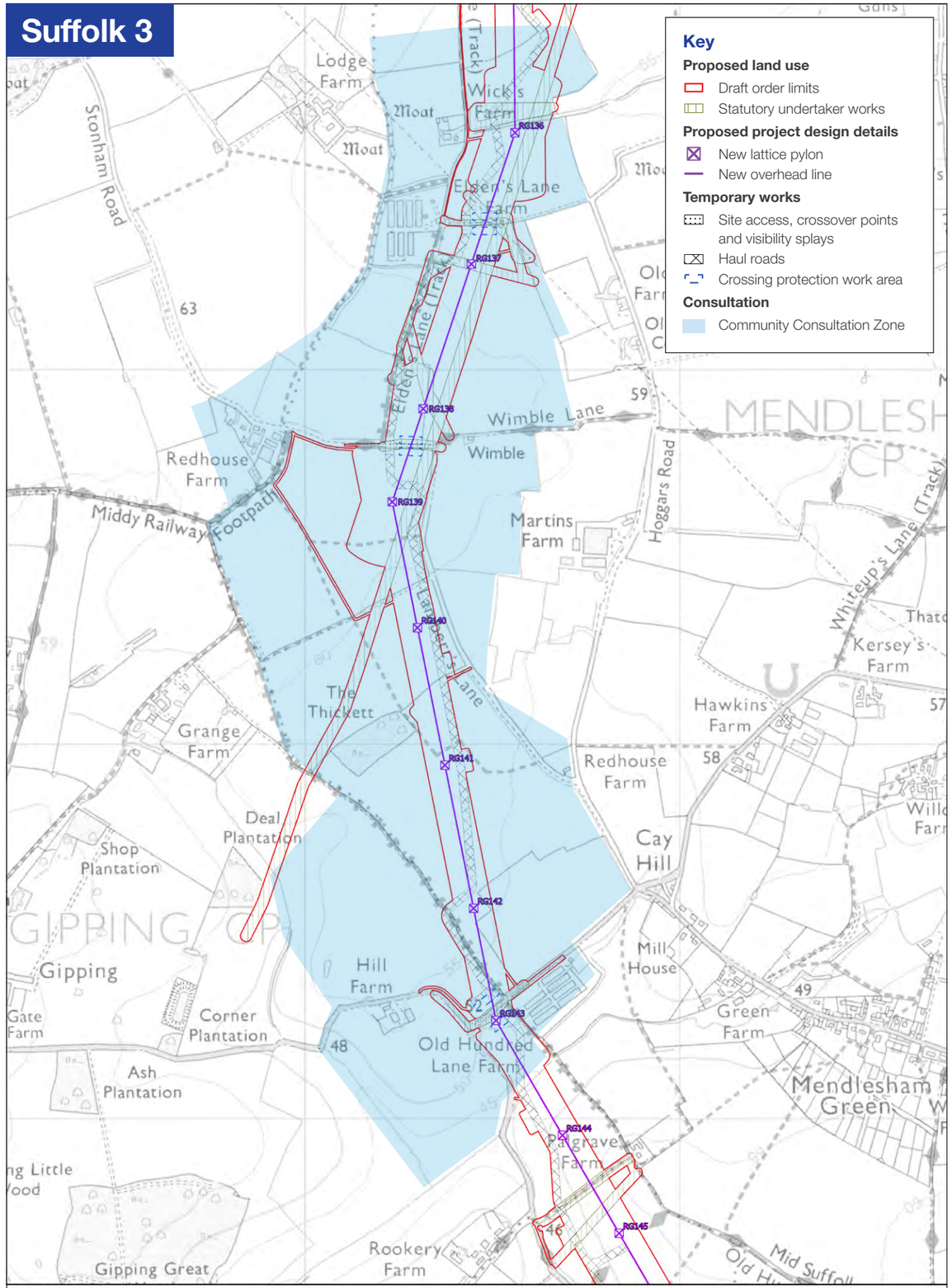

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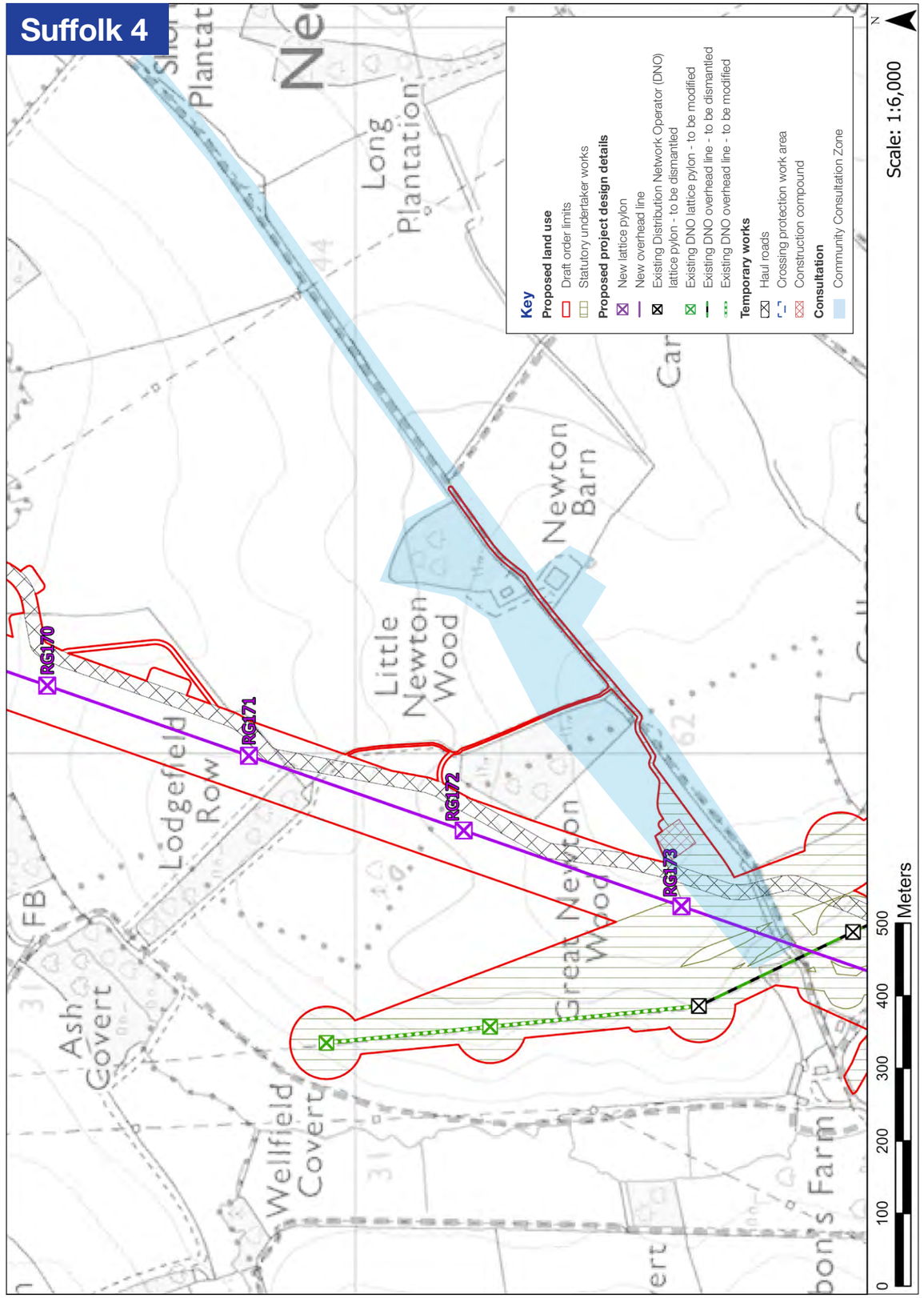

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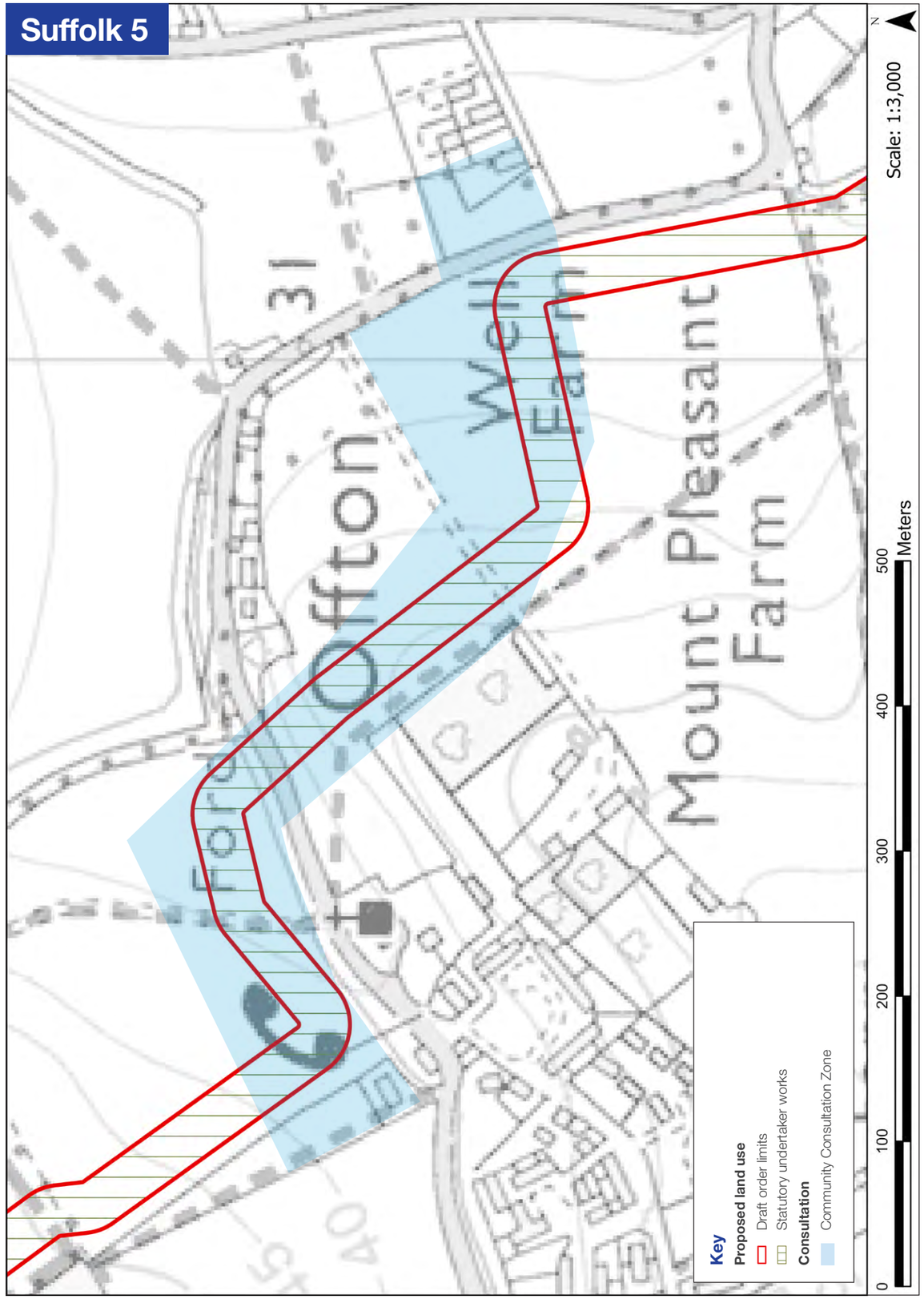

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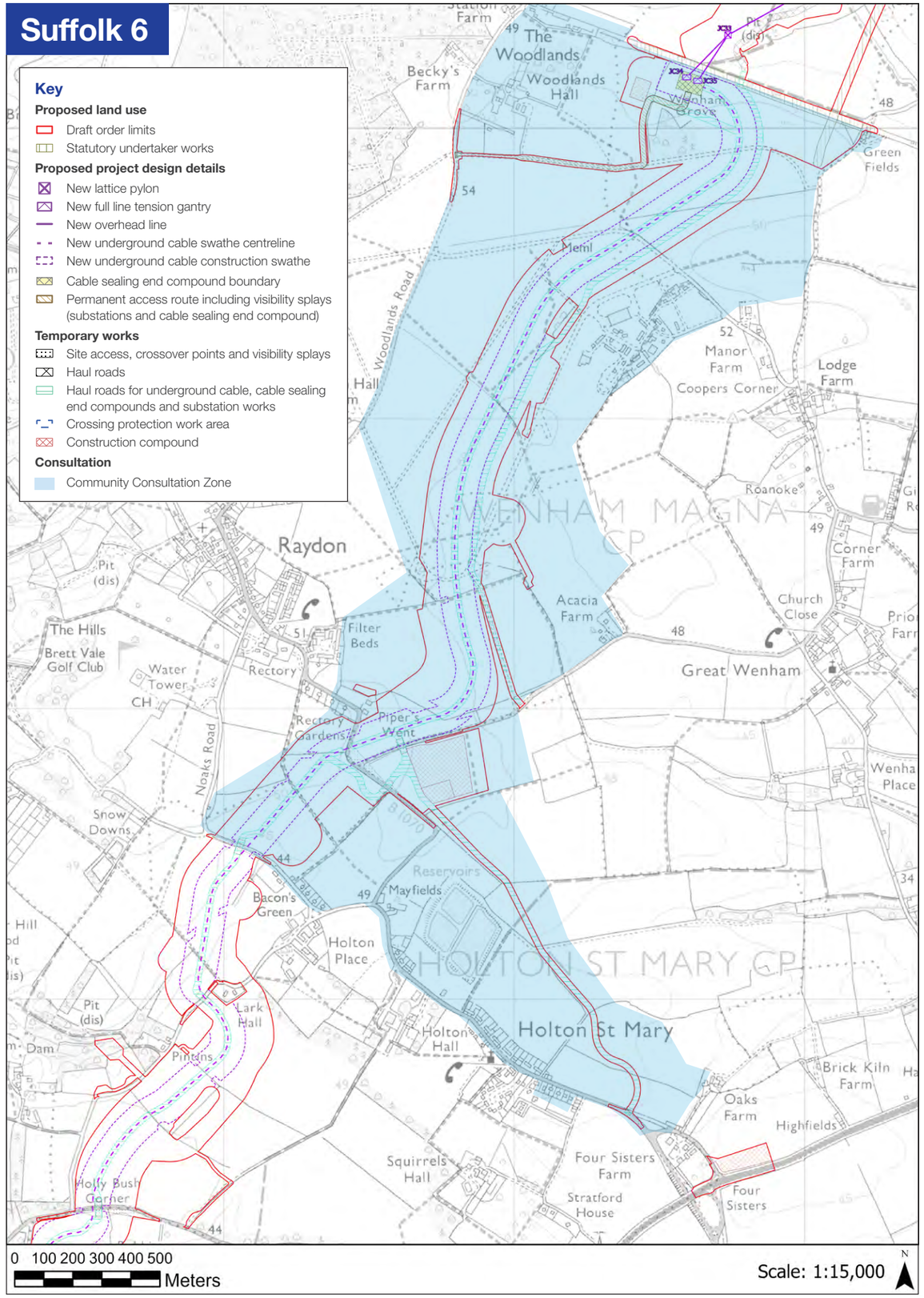

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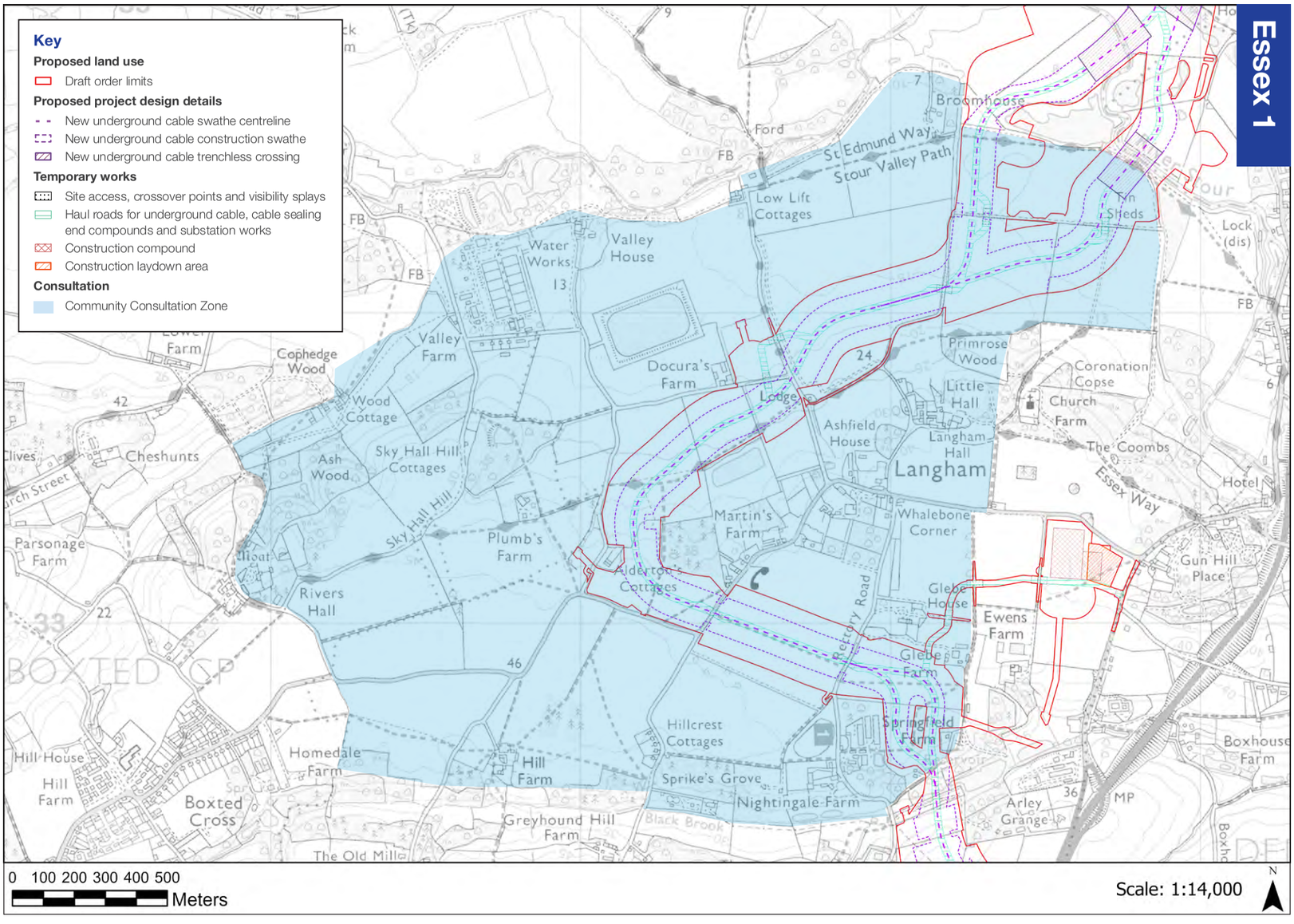

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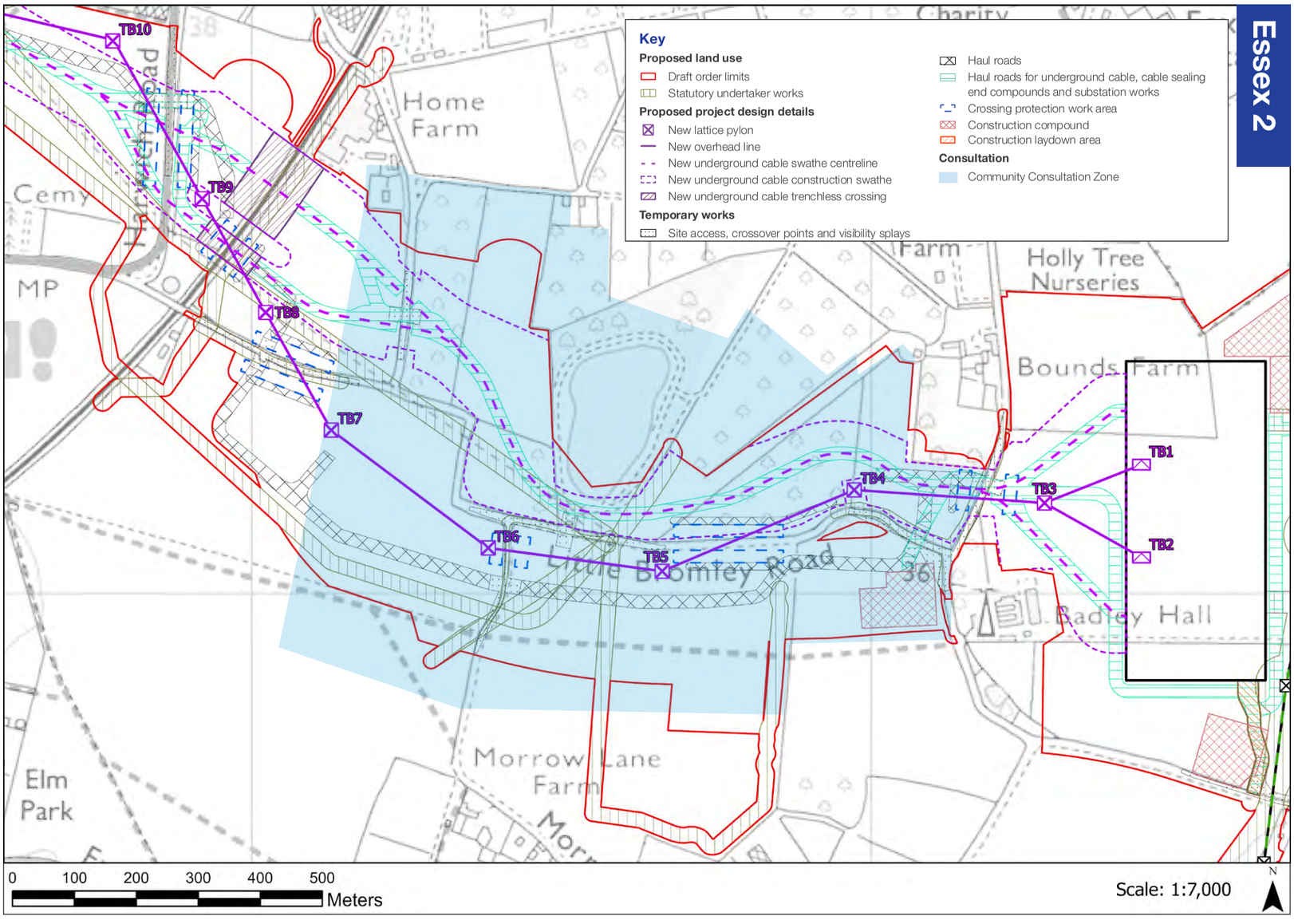

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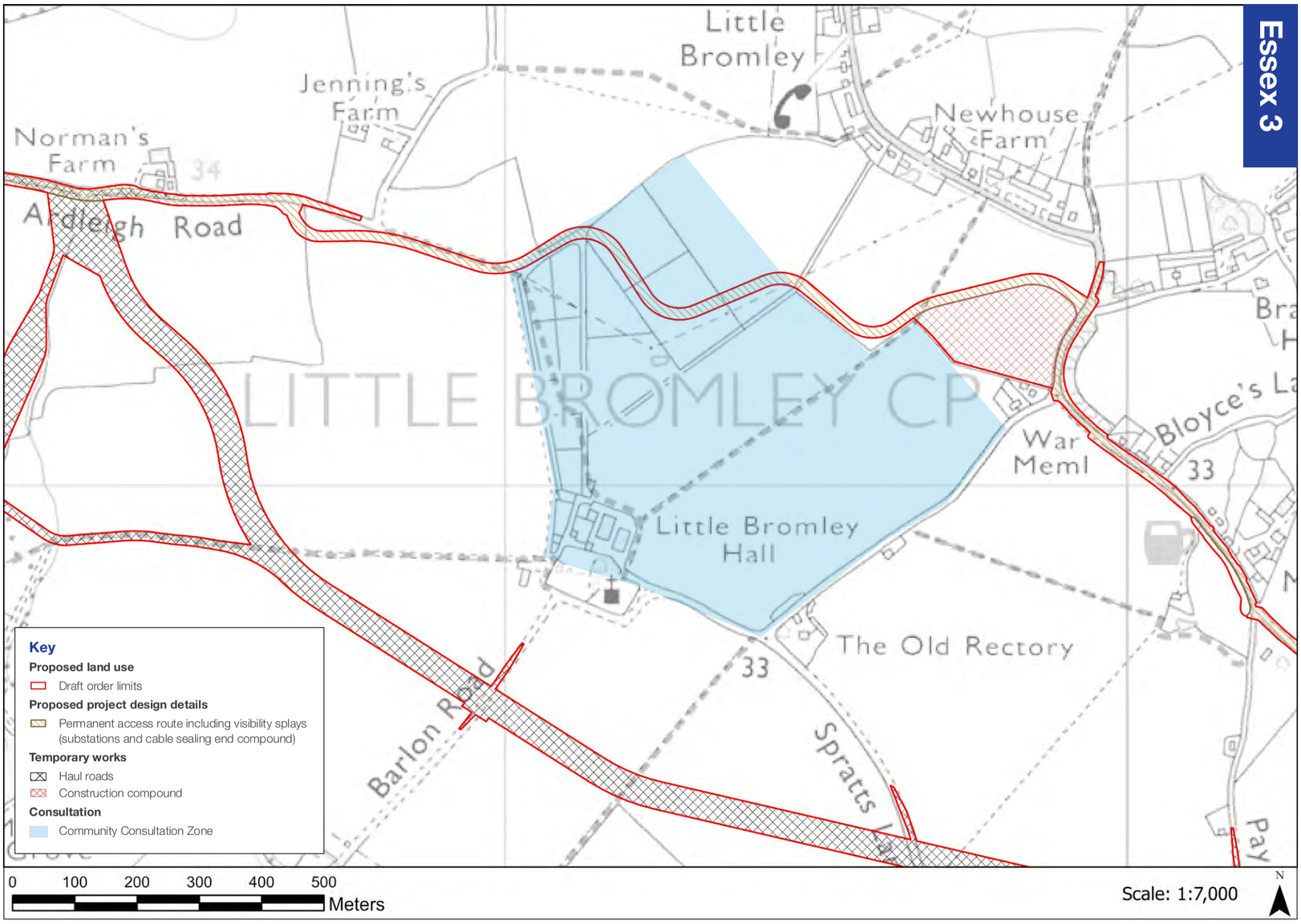

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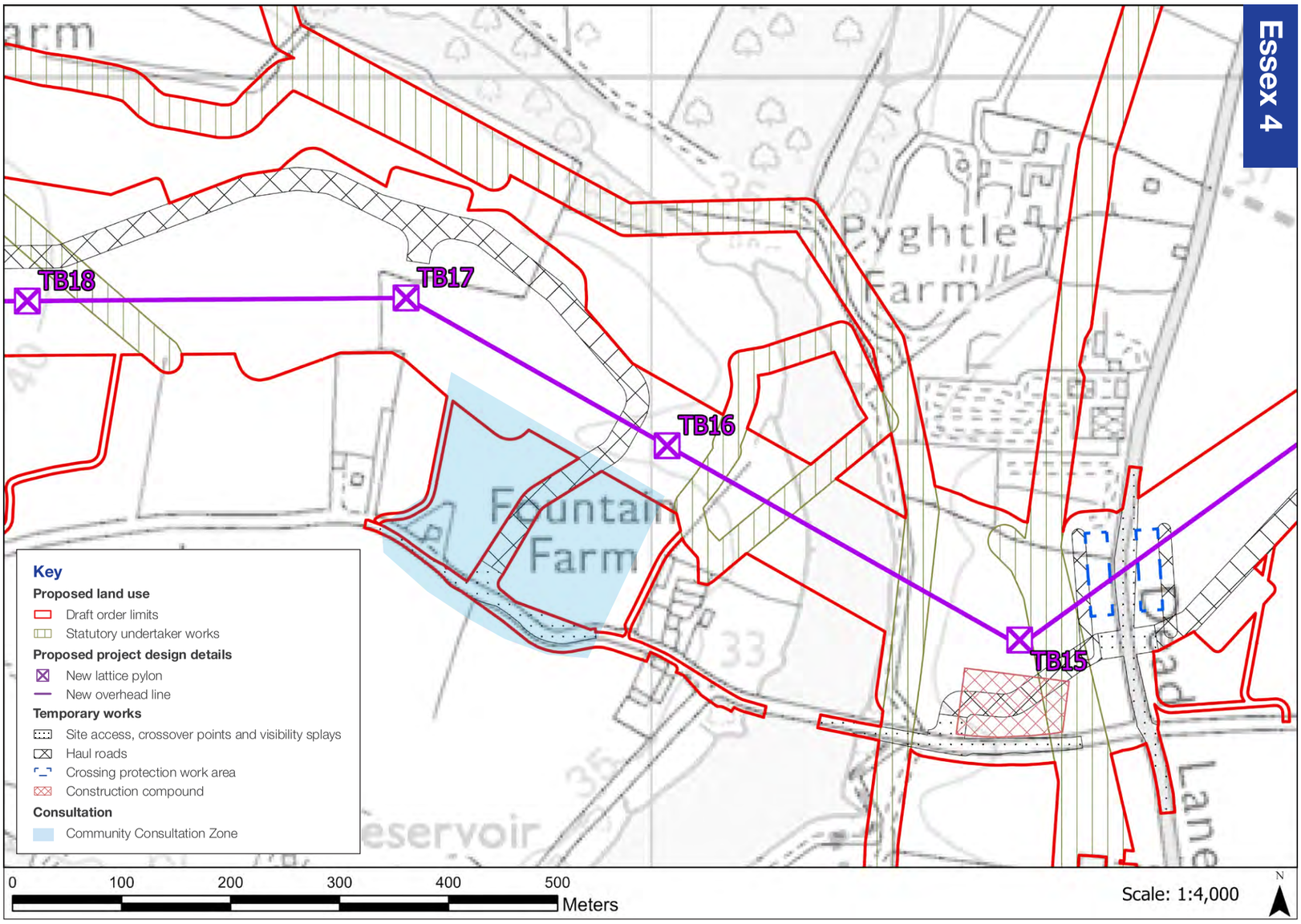

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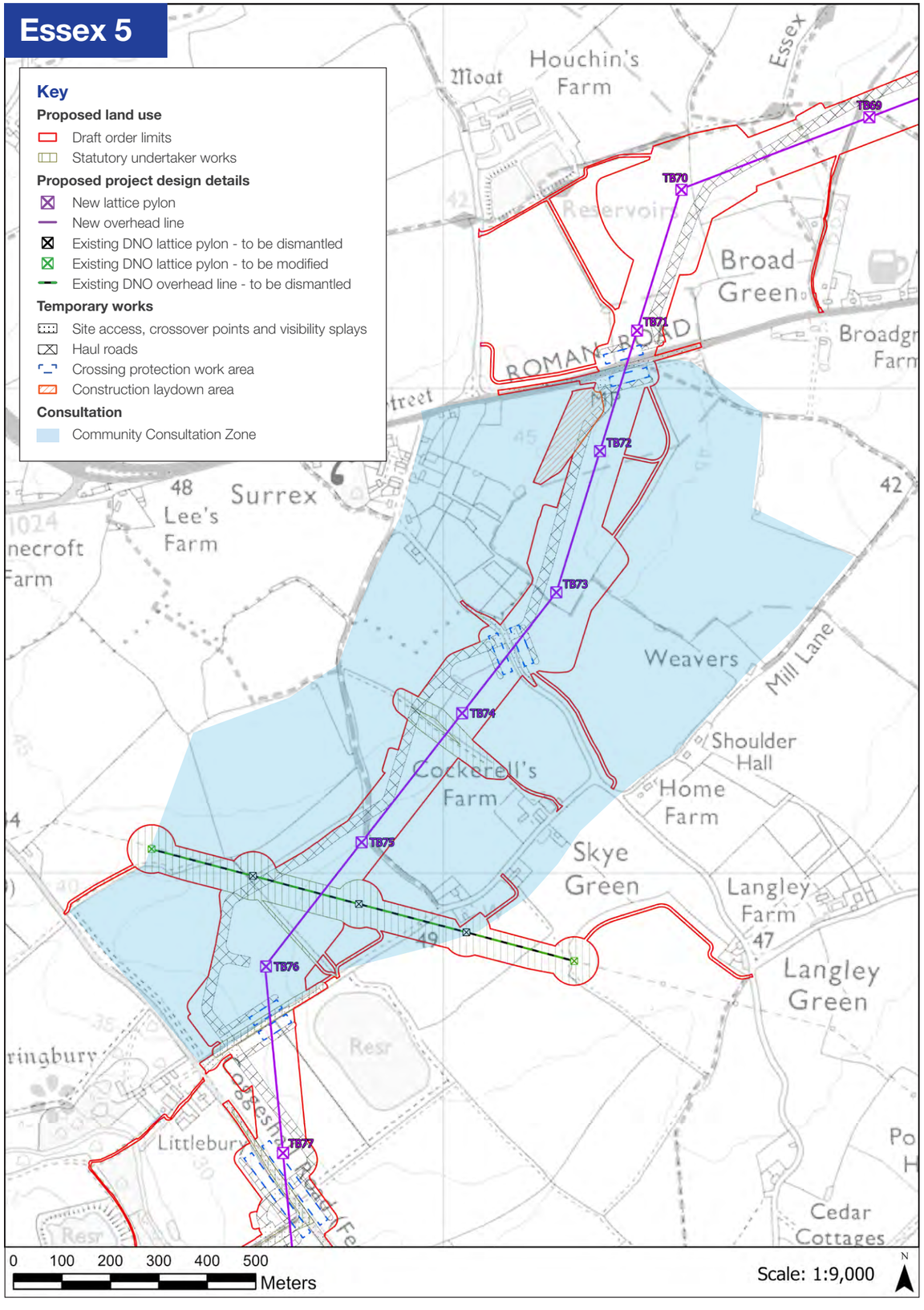

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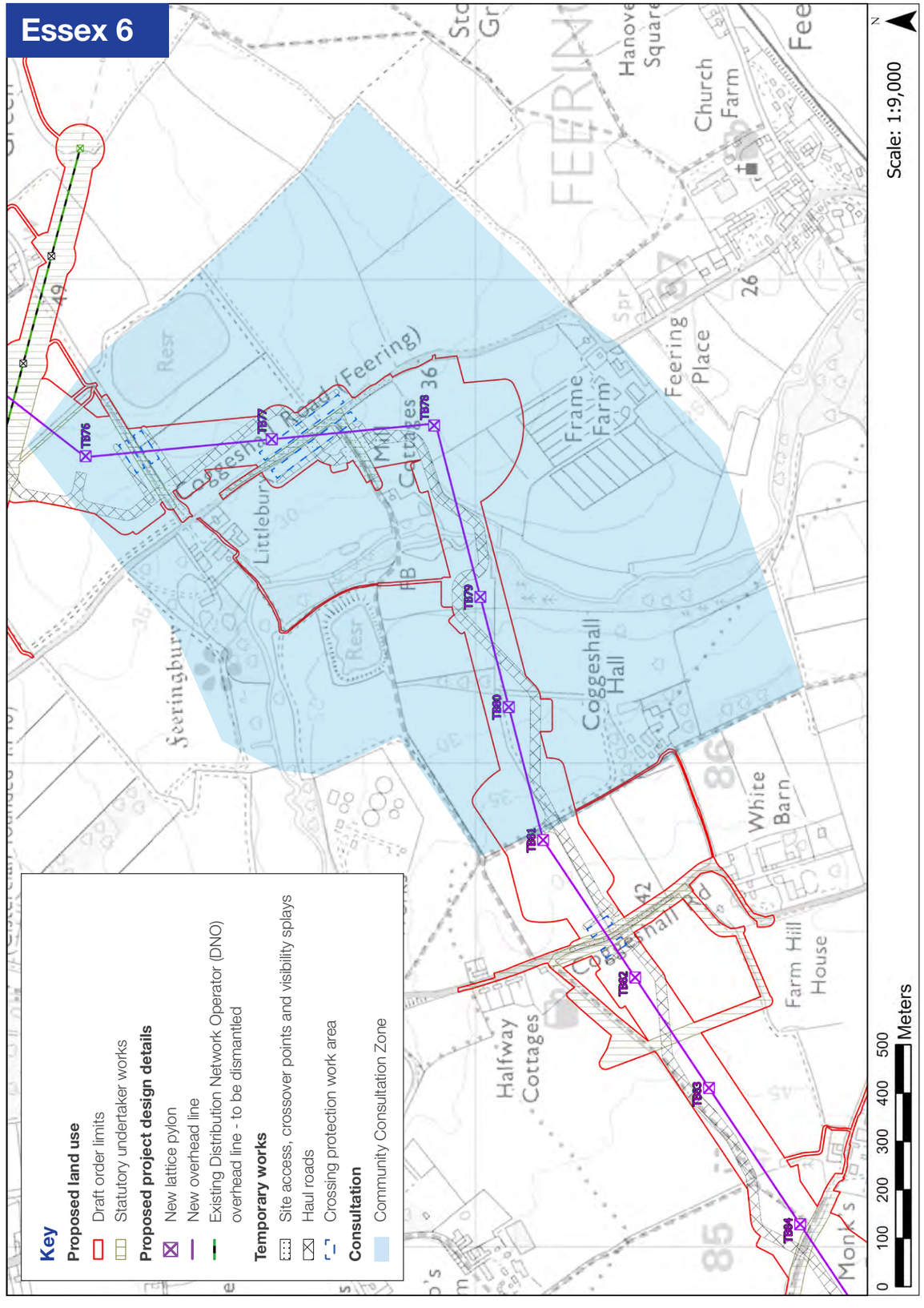

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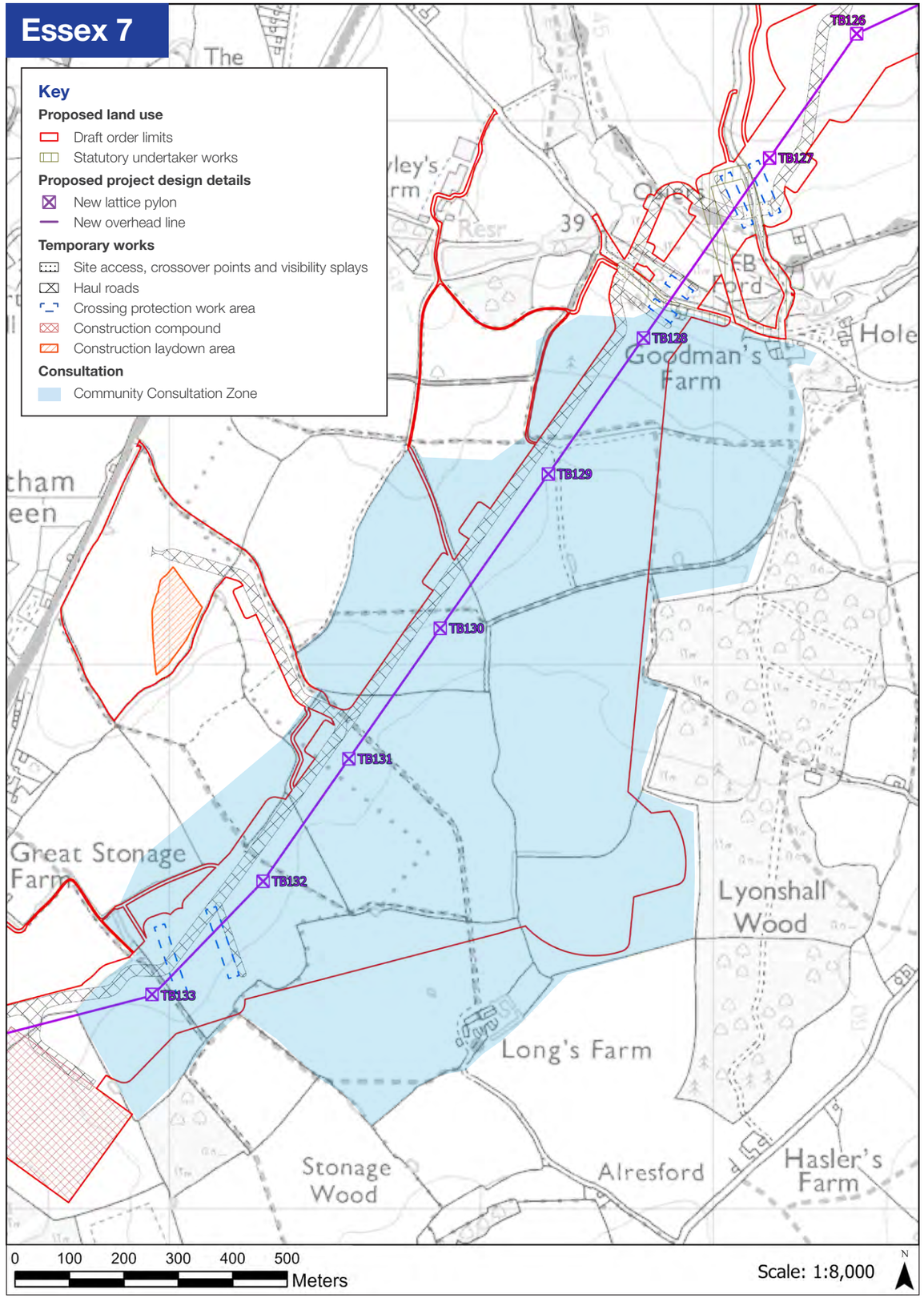

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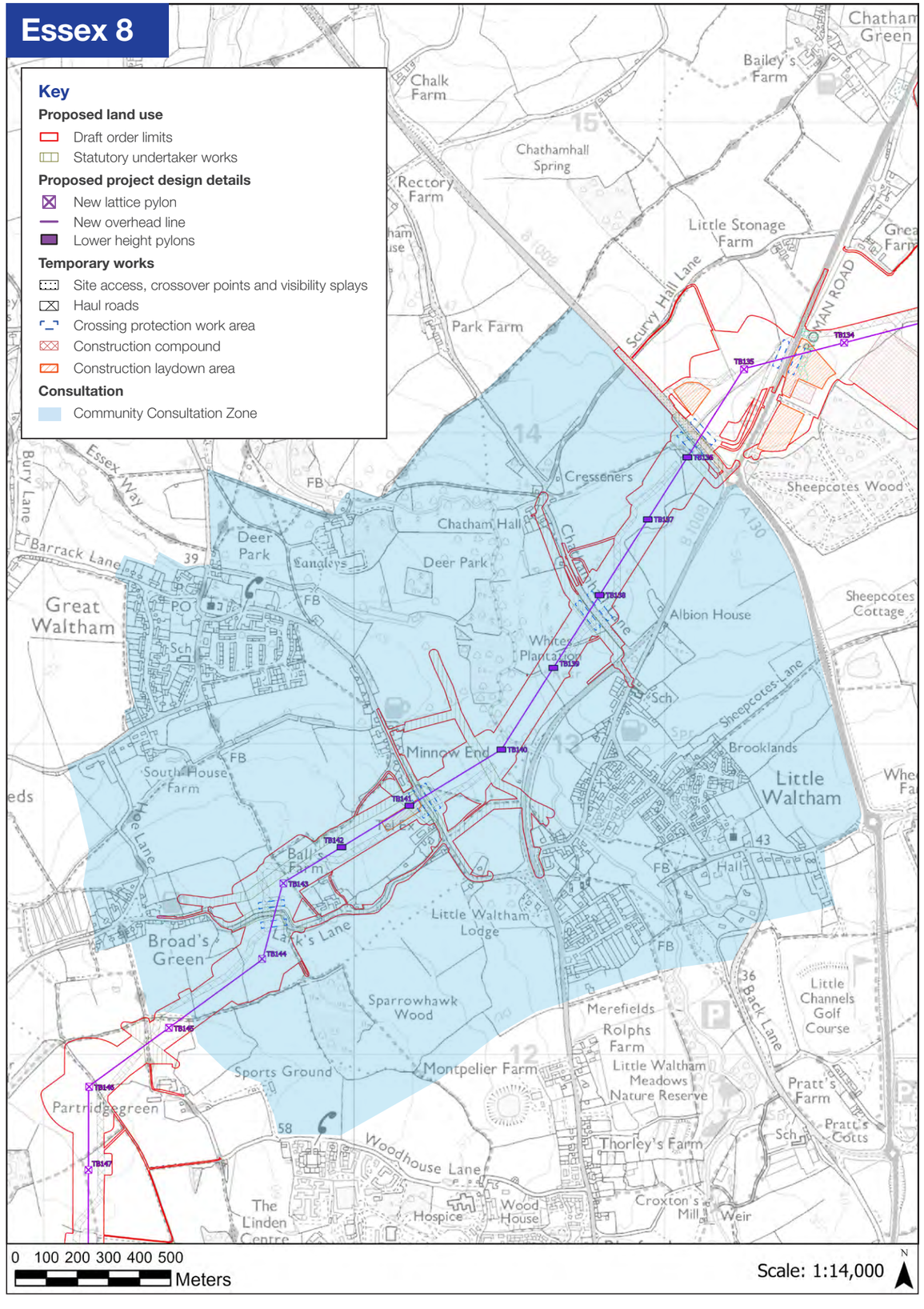

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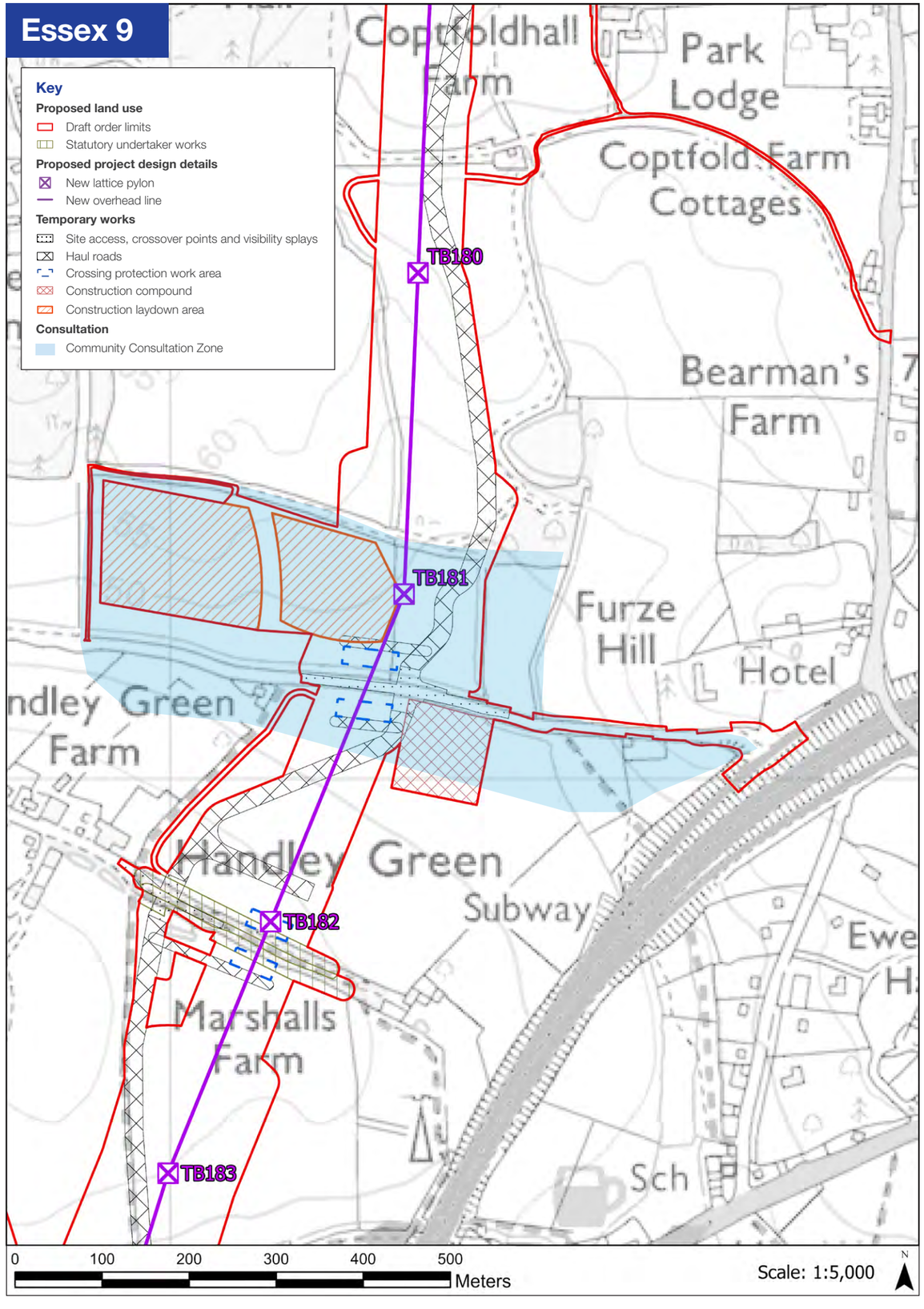

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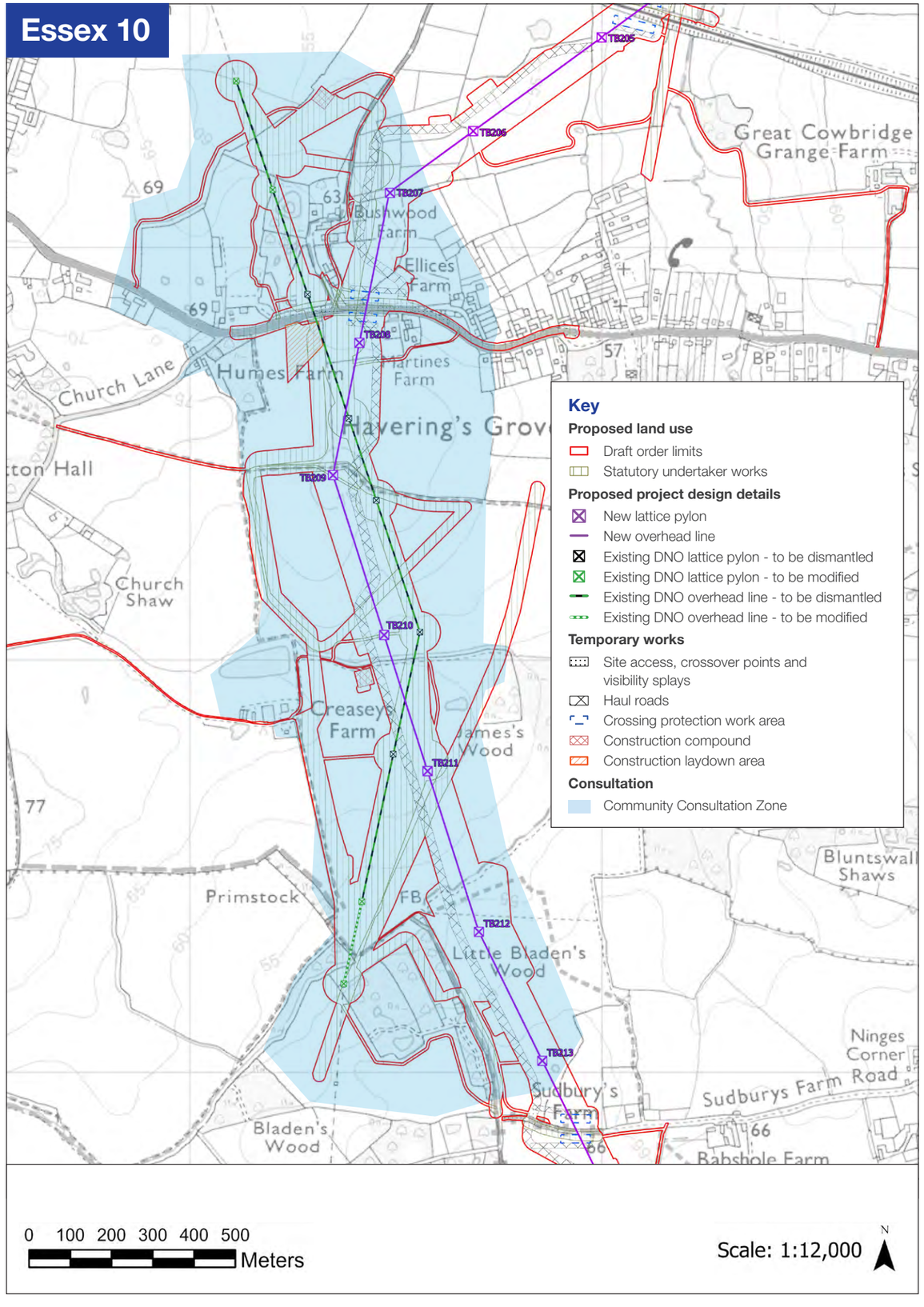

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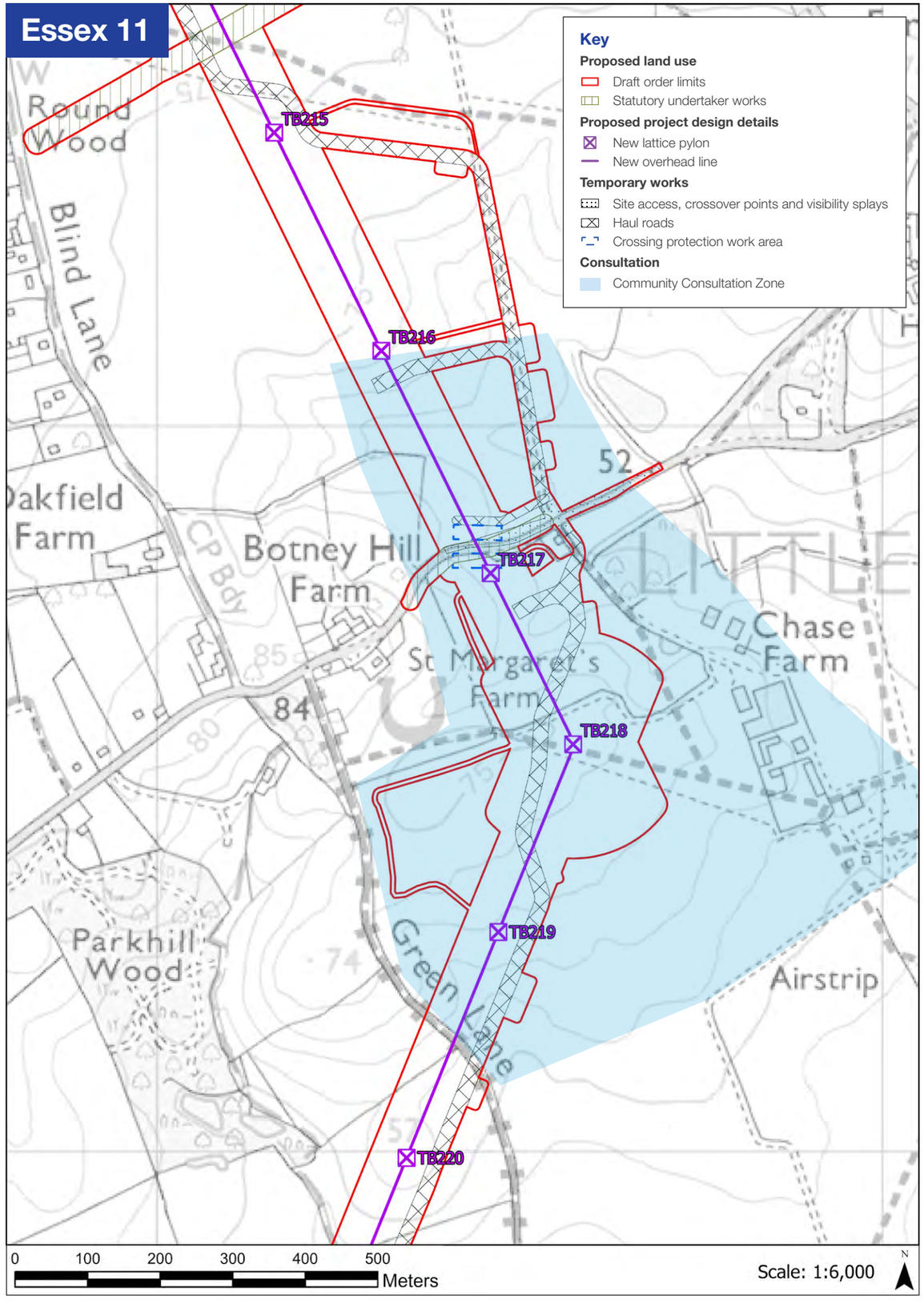

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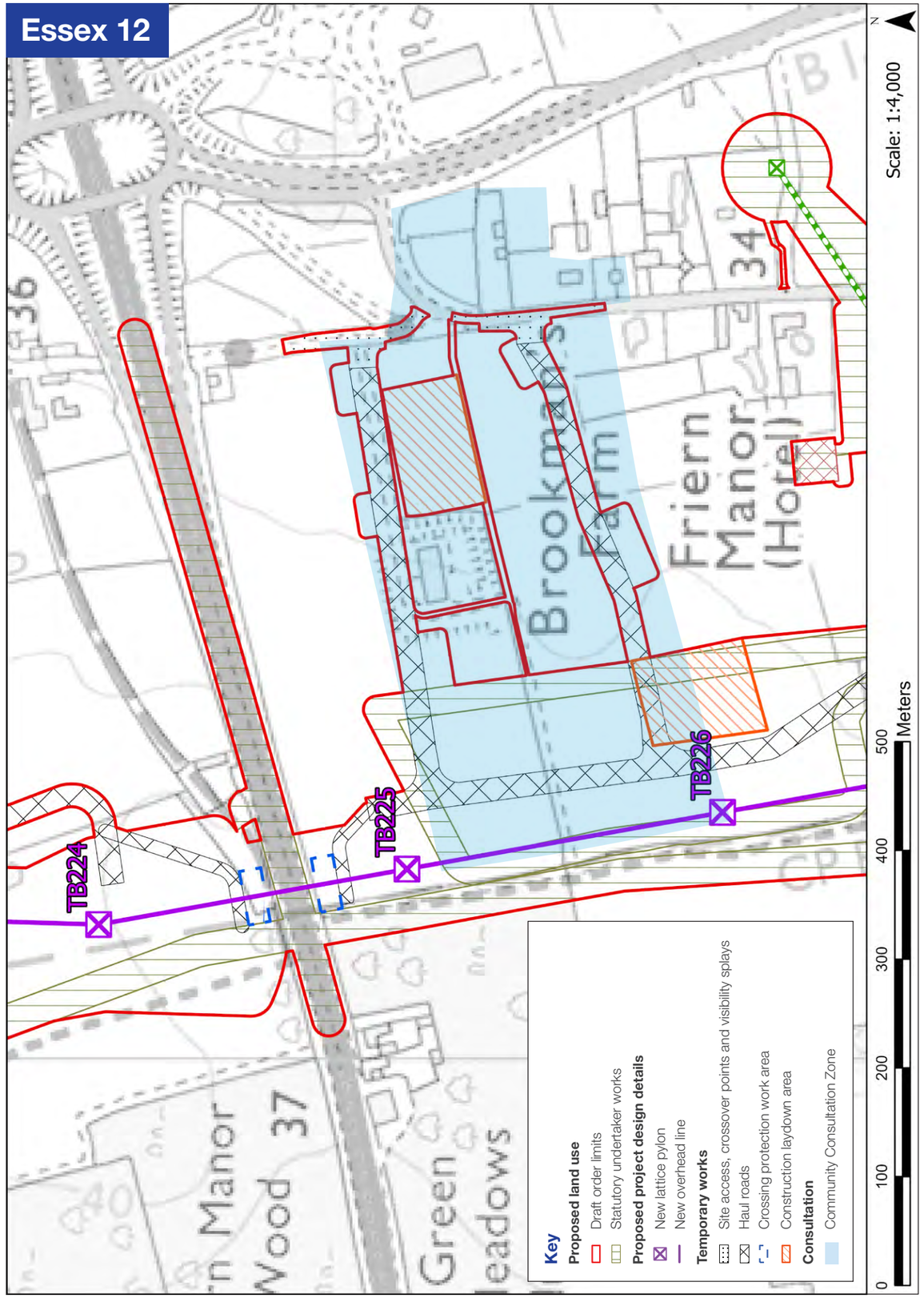

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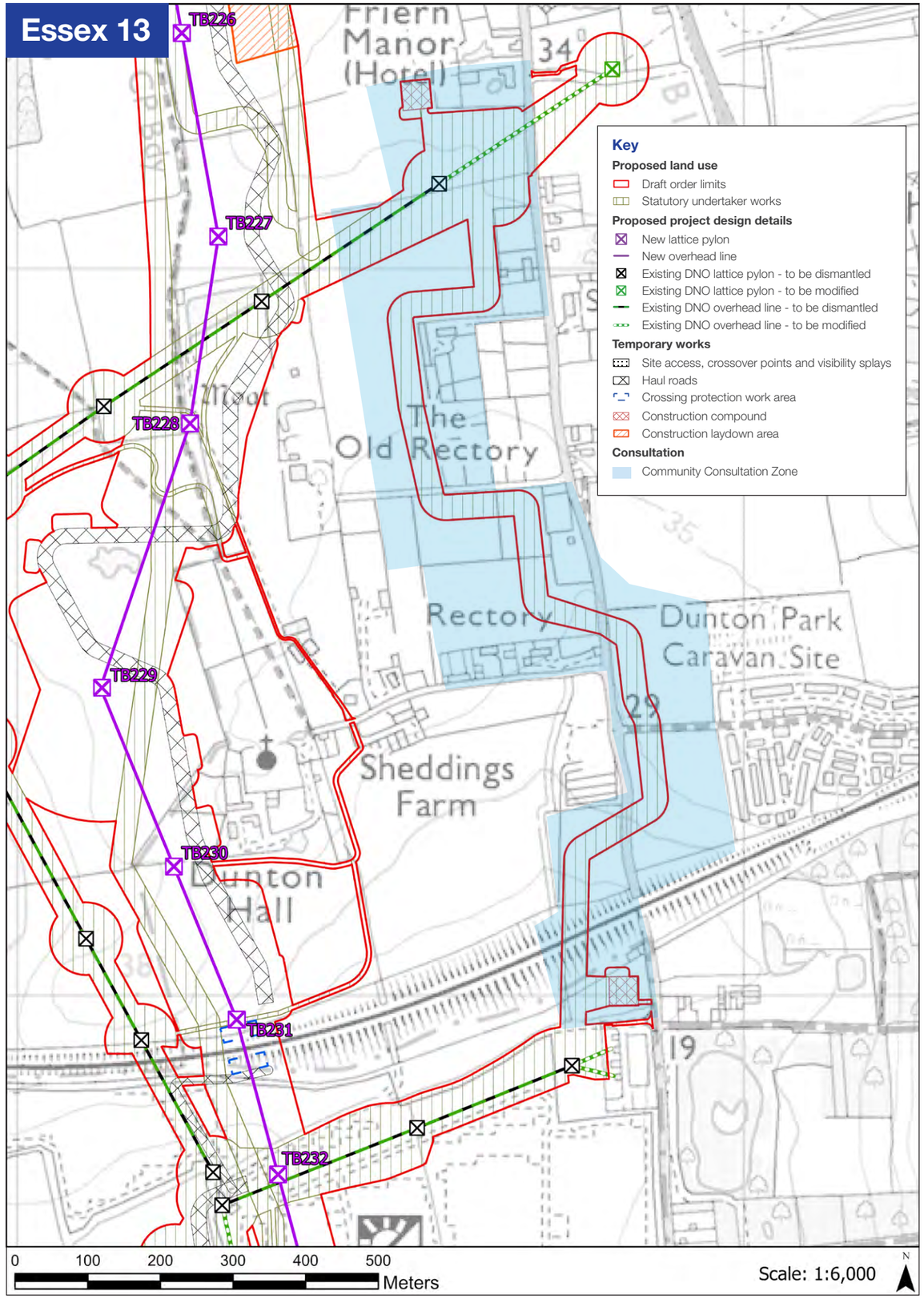

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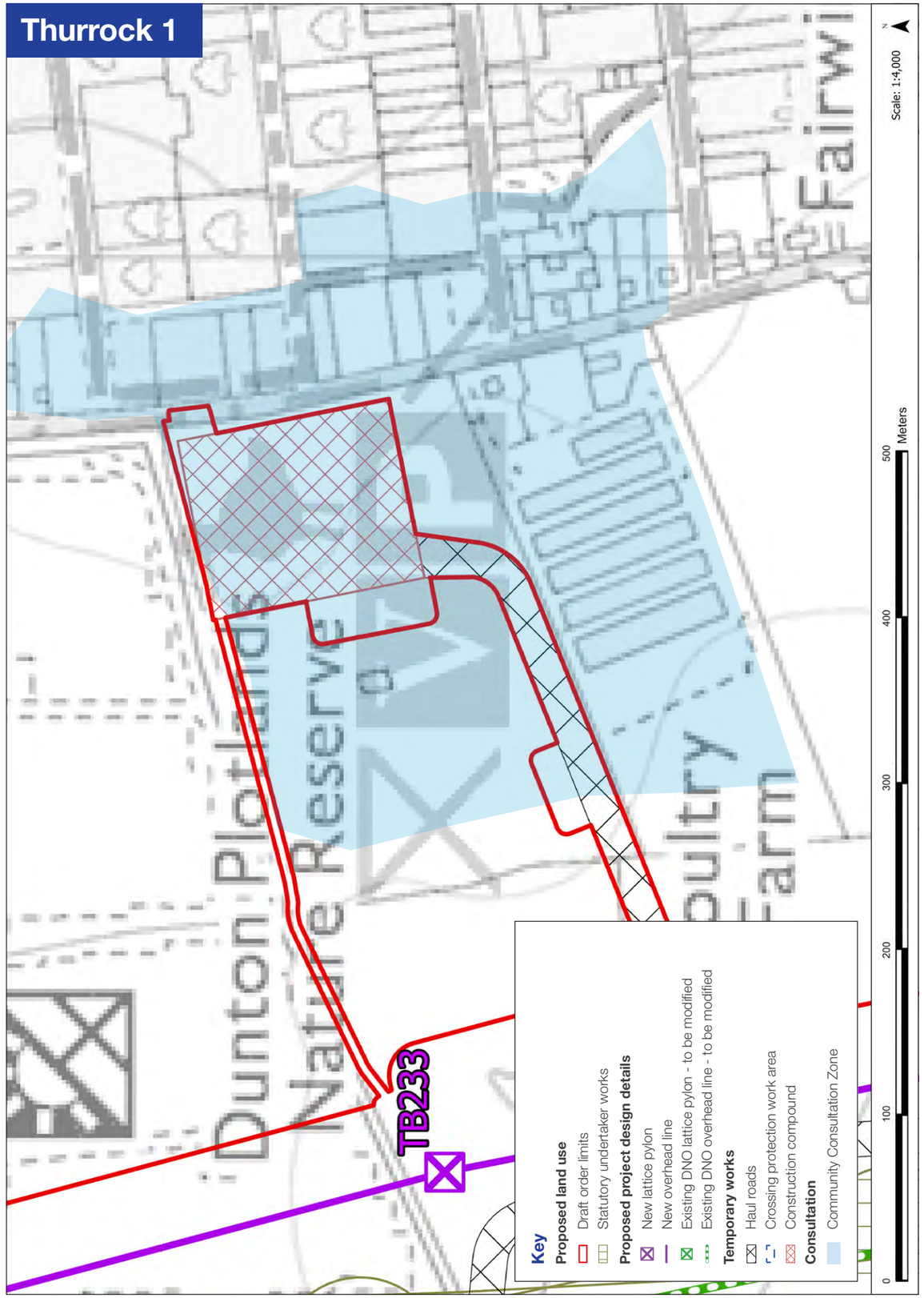

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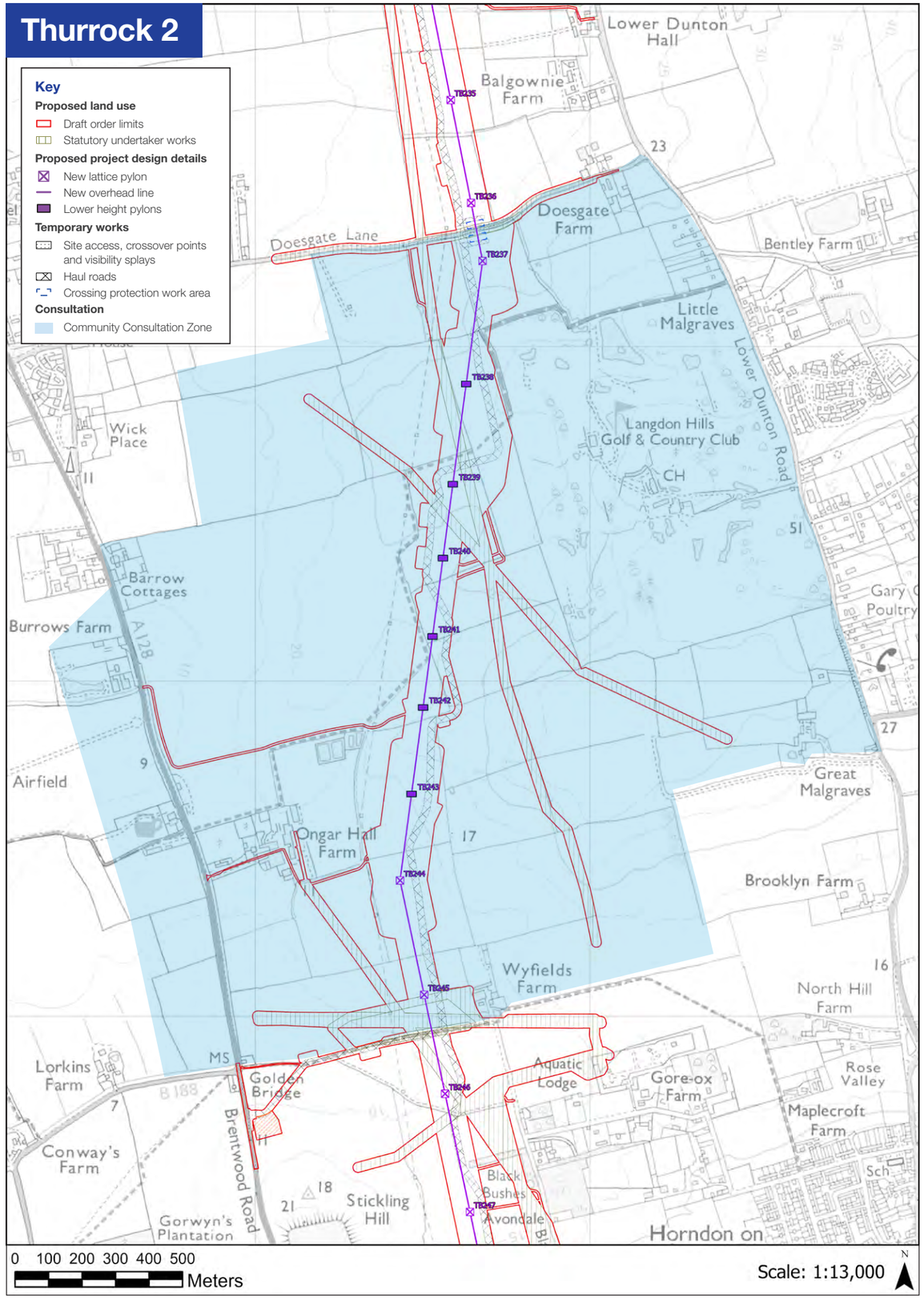
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Appendix K2

Emails sent to LPAs requesting feedback on non-statutory targeted consultation strategy

Outlook

Norwich to Tilbury - draft consultation strategy

From Contact Norwich to Tilbury <contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com>
Date Wed 04/12/2024 17:24
To
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NTT Draft Targeted Consultation Strategy December 2024.docx;

Dear

Further to our recent discussions, please find attached our draft Consultation Strategy for Targeted Consultations. As you will recall, we are proposing to carry out targeted consultations at locations where we are considering changes to the proposals we published for statutory consultation in summer 2024.

We are consulting officers from all the host local authorities on the draft strategy, and we would welcome any comments you have on our consultation proposals. We would be grateful if you would forward any comments by close of play Wednesday 18 December.

Strategy has been developed in line with the requirements of the Planning Act. We have also used the experience we gained delivering our first two non-statutory consultations in 2022 and 2023 and our statutory consultation in 2024 to inform our approach.

As part of the targeted consultations, National Grid will write to the parish councils in the vicinity of the proposed changes we are consulting on. The affected parish councils in Essex are as follows:

- Langham
- Boxted
- Ardleigh
- Little Bromley
- Great Tey
- Feering
- Kelvedon
- Silver End
- Great and Little Leighs
- Little Waltham
- Great Waltham
- Margaretting
- Mountnessing
- Herongate and Ingrave
- Little Burstead
- West Horndon

This list is subject to change as our proposals develop further, and we may contact additional parish councils.

We will review feedback from the targeted consultations as we develop our proposals ahead of submitting an application for a development consent order.

If you have any questions about our proposals, or the activities outlined in the strategy, we'd be happy to discuss these further. Please contact consents.N-T@nationalgrid.com or phone 0800 915 2497.

Yours sincerely

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Appendix K3

Feedback on draft targeted non-statutory consultation strategy

Council	Comment(s)	Regard had / response	Actions / comments
Brentwood Borough Council	Change Brentwood District Council to Brentwood Borough Council	Noted. Amended.	We also amended the reference to Basildon Borough Council as this was also wrong
Essex County Council (feedback from the November briefing)	Concern over timing of consultation starting too close to the festive period, and that this might impact Parish Councils ability to organise a response.	Noted. Targeted consultation will take place later in January, ensuring a larger gap between the festive period and launch. The upcoming targeted consultations was also noted in the community newsletter that was sent to properties in the Primary Consultation Zone on 6 January – providing an additional opportunity to raise awareness.	No action
Essex County Council (feedback from the November briefing)	Preference for the consultation to start on the 13th January and to last for six weeks.	Noted. Targeted consultation will take place later in January, ensuring a larger gap between the festive period and launch. The upcoming targeted consultations were also noted in the community newsletter that was sent to properties in the Primary Consultation Zone on 6 January – providing an additional opportunity to raise awareness. We believe that four weeks (30 days) is a proportionate and appropriate timeframe for consultation when considering the smaller scale of changes being proposed. We are happy to arrange meetings to discuss technical impacts during the consultation period.	No action
Essex County Council	Feels the strategy should have more information about how this and future consultations will be undertaken	The proposed strategy is designed with the potential for future targeted consultations in mind. However, we will continue to review our communications and consultation methods depending on the feedback received.	No action

Council	Comment(s)	Regard had / response	Actions / comments
Essex County Council	Notes that information on, and justification for, targeted approach is provided and no objection in principle	Noted.	No action
Essex County Council	Consultation materials look fine, as does advance notice in community newsletter	Noted.	No action
Essex County Council	Requests clarification on what is meant by 'the spirit of SOCC'	Removed from the draft strategy to avoid any confusion. Our aim within the strategy is to set out how we will carry out targeted consultations. Some of the proposed methods of communication are similar to those contained within the SoCC – such as the development of a consultation zone, webinars and the availability of information on the project website.	Amended in the strategy
Essex County Council	Position that consultation should be a minimum of six weeks to allow those who want to engage and comment to have time	We believe that four weeks is a proportionate and appropriate timeframe for consultation when considering the size of the changes in the scope of the project and the amount of technical information we are providing. We are happy to arrange meetings to discuss technical impacts during the consultation period.	No action
Essex County Council	Request confirmation that National Grid will write to all MPs and Councils in affected constituencies in line with SoCC commitments	We will write to MPs and Councils in areas where we are proposing and consulting on changes.	No action – this is in the strategy
Essex County Council	Request for information on the principles followed when establishing consultation zones and whether council's will be consulted before the beginning of consultation, with concern that the zones may exclude many who would be interested	The community consultation zones will be published within the final strategy at consultation launch. Each zone is bespoke depending on the scale of the proposed change in each location. We will also be contacting the local parish council, ward councillor(s) and MP in each location as well as running a series of local press adverts to raise awareness of the consultation to people living outside of each zone.	No action

Council	Comment(s)	Regard had / response	Actions / comments
Essex County Council	Asks what measures are proposed to publicise intended changes more widely other than the newsletter, with residents expecting significant changes following previous consultation	Within the strategy we set out a number of measures designed to raise awareness of the targeted consultations. This includes: • notifying the local and regional media via press release • notifying the local parish / parish council, and offering a briefing via Teams • publishing full details of the targeted consultations on the project website • place adverts in local newspapers to say that we will hold consultations, and the relevant people will be contacted • notifying our contact database via our regular project update e-mail newsletter • providing contact information for the community relations team within materials posted to addresses within the consultation zones, to local authorities and parish councils • running an advert in local media titles on/following consultation launch • notifying hard to reach groups as identified within the SoCC We will also set up and deliver a series of webinars for the public, parishes (representing areas in which changes are proposed) and councillors at each authority.	Point about advertising added to the strategy
Essex County Council	Asks for clarity on how feedback will be provided on the outcome of consultation other than as part of the Consultation Report in DCO – suggests committing to feedback via community newsletter would be appropriate	All feedback, including feedback received at the statutory consultation, will be responded to within the Consultation Report submitted as part of our Development Consent Order (DCO) application. We will produce a newsletter following the completion of the targeted consultations setting out a high-level	No action

Council	Comment(s)	Regard had / response	Actions / comments
		explanation of the feedback received and how it will be taken into account.	
Essex County Council	Requests details of approach to hard to reach groups, suggests restatement of SoCC principles	We contacted a range of gatekeeper hard-to-reach groups – bodies that represent a range of different audiences – at statutory consultation. We will write to and notify these organisations again at launch of targeted consultations.	No action
Essex County Council	Requests early notice of date of community newsletter of any other publicity intending to announce targeted consultation, to allow briefing councillors before information becomes public	The newsletter arrived with residents on 6 January. We did not include the date of the target consultations in order to allow some flexibility on launch dates. We will brief councillors and liaise with local authority officers to set up these sessions before the start of the consultations. We will hold these sessions at or soon after launch rather than ahead of launch. This is consistent with the approach taken at previous consultations.	No action
Mid Suffolk and Babergh District Council (feedback from the November briefing)	Unsure what is changing in their districts. Request to meet again to go through the changes in the two districts.	Meeting to be set up.	Action taken – Consents Team held a call in January 2025.
Mid Suffolk and Babergh District Council (feedback from the November briefing)	Concern that there is a lot to do in a short period of January.	Noted.	No action

Council	Comment(s)	Regard had / response	Actions / comments
Mid Suffolk and Babergh District Council	Request that elected member briefings be open to *all* BMSDC ward members, not just those with change in their ward	Agreed – we will work with each local authority to meet its needs for briefing elected officials.	Liaise with LPA to set up meetings
Mid Suffolk and Babergh District Council	Request consideration of dedicated parish council briefings	We will hold three parish council webinars, one per county for parishes potentially affected by proposed changes. These will be held online in the evening. Additional parish council briefings will be considered on request.	No action – is in the strategy
Mid Suffolk and Babergh District Council	Preference for the strategy to confirm that consultation materials will include side-by-side images of proposed change next to previous	We can confirm that each leaflet will show the previous alignment presented at statutory consultation alongside the proposed changes we are consulting on. The map showing the proposed changes will be annotated.	No action, covered by the plan
Mid Suffolk and Babergh District Council	Request to see details of proposed changes to confirm if any other parishes affected	We have mapped the parish councils that may be affected by the proposed changes and will provide that list to officers at each local authority.	No action
Norfolk County Council (feedback from the November briefing)	Request for consultation to be delayed to the week starting 13 January.	The start of consultation has been delayed to 30 January 2025.	No action
Norfolk County Council (feedback from the November briefing)	Request for the consultation to be extended to six weeks to allow host authorities time to consult with members and consider technical impacts of the changes.	We believe that four weeks is a proportionate and appropriate timeframe for consultation when considering the size of the changes in the scope of the project and the amount of technical information we are providing. We are happy to arrange meetings to discuss technical impacts during the consultation period.	No action

Council	Comment(s)	Regard had / response	Actions / comments
Norfolk County Council (feedback from the November briefing)	Concern over technical impacts, including flooding, drainage, ecology, mineral, and waste issues. The council needs more time to consider these.	We believe that four weeks is a proportionate and appropriate timeframe for consultation when considering the size of the changes in the scope of the project and the amount of technical information we are providing. We are happy to arrange meetings to discuss technical impacts during the consultation period.	No action (although various technical meetings were had)
Norfolk County Council	Briefings with councillors should take place on teams to allow maximum attendance.	As per the approach taken at statutory consultation, all briefings will take place via Teams.	Action taken – briefing took place on 30 January 2025.
Suffolk County Council (feedback from the November briefing)	Request for further meeting with PR before targeted consultation launch.	Meeting to be set up.	Meeting was arranged and held in January 2025.
Suffolk County Council (feedback from the November briefing)	Concern over tight timeline in January, due to need to focus limited resources.	We believe that four weeks is a proportionate and appropriate timeframe for consultation when considering the size of the changes in the scope of the project and the amount of technical information we are providing. We are happy to arrange meetings to discuss technical impacts during the consultation period.	No action
Suffolk County Council	Request briefings for councillors whose division affected in some way, not just directly	We will work with each local authority to meet its needs for briefing elected officials.	Wider invites issued
Dedham Vale National Landscape	Request for additional parish councils to be consulted based on changes discussed in meetings. Request for Higham, East Bergholt,	The parishes we will contact in Dedham are Langham, Boxted, Raydon, Wenham Magna, and	No action

Council	Comment(s)	Regard had / response	Actions / comments
	Capel St Mary to be engaged with due to planned changes for the 132 kV line.	Holton St Mary. Neighbouring parish councils remain welcome to leave their feedback on the proposals.	
Dedham Vale National Landscape	Request that district/borough/town councillors and county councillors/county portfolio holders should also be consulted	We will work with each local authority to meet its needs for briefing elected officials.	No action
Dedham Vale National Landscape	Asked if we have also considered directly engaging with others with interest in area/those who engaged in previous consultations	Within the strategy we've set out who we will consult. This includes those registered on our 'keep in touch' list as well as hard to reach groups and audiences. We do not feel it would be proportionate to contact everyone within the statutory consultation Primary Consultation Zone (PCZ) for these targeted consultations.	Community Consultation Zones published for each targeted consultation in the strategy.
Colchester City Council	Concern that 'targeted' approach will cause confusion and speculation along the alignment, with assumptions that no other changes are being made but no assurance	In our materials we make it clear that while no final decisions have been made, we are consulting on proposed changes in some local areas and seeking feedback before we make a decision on whether to take the change forward. We are also considering other changes where we feel we have enough feedback to make a decision. The route will only be confirmed once we submit our application for development consent to the Planning Authority.	No action
Colchester City Council	Request to consult everyone consulted at statutory consultation, to lay out where the changes are and explain why so limited in scope	As per policy and guidance issued by Government in April 2024, we are taking a proportionate approach to targeted consultation and consulting those in areas where we are considering some changes to the proposals presented last summer. In each leaflet we will provide an overview of the changes in that area and why they are being proposed.	No action

Council	Comment(s)	Regard had / response	Actions / comments
		Feedback submitted last summer still remains valid and will be responded to within the Consultation Report submitted.	
Colchester City Council	Concern that 30 days is a short time, especially for parish councils, to consider changes, arrange meetings, and provide a useful response	We believe that four weeks is a proportionate and appropriate timeframe for consultation when considering the scale of the proposed changes in the scope of the project and the amount of technical information we are providing. We are happy to arrange meetings to discuss technical impacts during the consultation period.	No action
Colchester City Council	Request that consultation is significantly extended	Noted. We believe that four weeks is a proportionate and appropriate timeframe for consultation when considering the size of the changes in the scope of the project and the amount of technical information we are providing. We are happy to arrange meetings to discuss technical impacts during the consultation period.	No action
Colchester City Council	Request to book CCC and parish council meetings as matter of urgency, with officers invited to any session that covers CCC area, to ensure attendance within consultation period	Noted and meetings were booked.	Action taken – Two briefings took place with Colchester City Council on 21 February and 4 March 2025. A Parish Council webinar for parishes in Essex was also organised and took place on 6 March 2025.
Chelmsford City Council	Requests methodology for how consultation zones are made, including what properties are within and without the zone and why	The community consultation zones will be published within the final strategy at consultation launch. Each zone is bespoke depending on the scale of the proposed change in each location. We will also contact the local parish council, ward councillor(s) and MP in each location as well as running a series of local press adverts to raise awareness of the consultation to people living outside of each zone.	Set out in the targeted consultation strategy

Council	Comment(s)	Regard had / response	Actions / comments
Chelmsford City Council	Requests definition of 'proportionate' and the different levels of change, and methodology for explaining how the size of the area corresponds to the level of proposed change	Each zone has been developed to be proportionate to the scale of the proposed change. There are four main types of proposed change: • In-line pylon moves • Moves within the statutory consultation order limits • Adjustments to bellmouth positions • Changes to permanent right of access routes Depending on the type of proposed change, we have considered which properties and addresses may live within close proximity and developed an appropriate consultation zone. Addresses within those zones will receive a notification. However, anyone will be able to take part in targeted consultations so information will be made available online and we will notify stakeholders across a wider area. We will also publish the community consultation zones as an appendix to the consultation strategy,	Set out in the strategy and in the briefing slides given to each LPA.
Chelmsford City Council	Requests consultation before targeted consultation on location of proposed zones with Host Authorities and other stakeholders	We will hold a meeting with officers at Chelmsford before launch to provide an overview of the change	Meeting was held in February 2025.
Chelmsford City Council	Request that consultation should not take place during public holidays and national holidays	Noted. The consultation period of 25 February to 27 March does not include any public holidays or national holidays. Any future consultations would consider the placement of public holidays.	No action
Chelmsford City Council	Request that public webinars not be limited to early evening, but allow other times of day and receive live answers to live questions	We are holding four webinars – one per county. At previous consultations we have found we have better turnout in the evenings compared to those held earlier in the day. It will be possible to ask and answer live questions via a chat function. Our hotline, email	We added an additional lunchtime webinar into the final running schedule.

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		address and Freepost address also remain live so people to ask questions and provide questions outside of the webinars.	
Chelmsford City Council	Consultation materials should be offered as standard and not upon request	Consultation materials will be delivered to residents within the consultation zones. They will also be available on the project website, where they can be accessed by anyone who is interested in the project. We will offer consultation materials upon request to those outside the consultation zone.	No action
Chelmsford City Council	Request that all documents should make clear the consultation is refining the proposal and that the rest of the proposal is not being changed	We make it clear within relevant documents that we are seeking views on the areas where we are proposing changes. However, it is also important to note that no final decisions have yet been made on any aspect of the route and is subject to change.	Action taken
South Norfolk and Broadland Councils	Preference to organise and invite members for briefing sessions	Noted and agreed.	Action taken
Brentwood Borough Council	Request for greater transparency on the consultation zone, and parishes under consultation	We will provide a list of parishes to be consulted within Brentwood. Each zone has been developed to be proportionate to the scale of the proposed change. There are four main types of proposed change: • In-line pylon moves • Moves within the statutory consultation order limits • Adjustments to bellmouth positions • Changes to permanent right of access routes Depending on the type of proposed change, we have considered which properties and addresses may live	Action taken

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		within close proximity and developed an appropriate consultation zone. Addresses within those zones will receive a notification. However, anyone will be able to take part in targeted consultations so information will be made available online and we will notify stakeholders across a wider area. We will also publish the community consultation zones within the strategy at consultation launch.	
Brentwood Borough Council	The consultation period should be extended to allow further engagement	Noted. We believe that four weeks is a proportionate and appropriate timeframe for consultation when considering the size of the changes in the scope of the project and the amount of technical information we are providing. We are happy to arrange meetings to discuss technical impacts during the consultation period.	No action
Brentwood Borough Council	Request for more parishes to be consulted – specifically Ingatestone and Fryerning	Noted. The list sent out to officers in December 2024 included an example list of parish councils that would be consulted, and was not the final list. All parish councils which contain a change or a part of a change will be consulted. On request, we can include Ingatestone and Fryerning in the list but note that no change is being proposed in the parish. Neighbouring parish councils remain welcome to leave their feedback on the proposals.	Both parishes contacted (at second round of consultations)
Brentwood Borough Council	More clarity requested on how materials will be displayed, including maps	Each proposed change we are consulting on will be supported and explained in a leaflet that will be sent to addresses within each community consultation zone. The leaflets will include a description of the proposed change and why we are presenting it along with an overview of the potential effects. Two maps will be included within the leaflet showing the	No action

Council	Comment(s)	Regard had / response	Actions / comments
		alignment in that area as presented in summer 2024 alongside the changes now being proposed. The latter map will be annotated to show the change. The leaflets are A4 documents and will be sent to residents along with a feedback questionnaire and covering letter. Details of how to provide feedback and how else to take part – including webinar details will be included. The leaflets will be available on the website.	
Basildon Borough Council	Agrees that the proposed approach offers range of suitable means for stakeholders and residents to access consultation materials, find out information, and comment on them	Noted.	No action
Basildon Borough Council	Retains concerns about the project, including lack of clarity around job and training opportunities	Noted. This is not a comment on the targeted consultation draft strategy.	No action
Tendring District Council	Disappointed that there are no significant changes for overhead pylon proposals out of EACN	Noted. This is not a comment on the targeted consultation draft strategy.	No action
Tendring District Council	Preference to view consultation zones before consultation starts, raising point that impact may extend beyond 'affected' properties due to rural, open landscape	Each zone has been developed to be proportionate to the scale of the proposed change. There are four main types of proposed change: • In-line pylon moves • Moves within the statutory consultation order limits • Adjustments to bellmouth positions • Changes to permanent right of access routes	CCZs were published in the final strategy

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		Depending on the type of proposed change, we have considered which properties and addresses may live within close proximity and developed an appropriate consultation zone. Addresses within those zones will receive a notification. However, anyone will be able to take part in targeted consultations so information will be made available online and we will notify stakeholders across a wider area. We will also publish the community consultation zones within the strategy at consultation launch.	
Tendring District Council	Supports clear communication with communities and businesses along the route on next steps to reduce anxiety for neighbouring wards	Noted	No action
Tendring District Council	Welcomes direct engagement with parish councils	Noted.	No action
Tendring District Council	Encourages flexibility when making arrangements with individual parish and ward councillors	We will hold four webinars for parish councils during the consultation period and will offer briefings to ward councillors.	Where needed, we have and will continue to meet parishes who need additional support or cannot make specific times.
Braintree District Council	30 days is too short for consultation, with time needed for briefings and time to review changes, especially as there is a lack of prior warning regarding the consultation. Suggests minimum of 6 weeks/42 days to allow meaningful engagement	Noted. We believe that four weeks is a proportionate and appropriate timeframe for consultation when considering the size of the changes in the scope of the project and the amount of technical information we are providing. We are happy to arrange meetings to discuss technical impacts during the consultation period.	No action
Braintree District Council	Recommends reconsidering approach and consulting all stakeholders again, with letter either confirming changes they might want to	We make it clear within relevant documents that we are seeking views on the areas where we are proposing changes. We are looking for feedback on these proposed local changes from the people living nearby – as well as their representative groups, such	No action

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	review or a letter that no further changes are proposed in their area	as the local parish council. Our approach taken to targeted consultation is in line with the government guidance. In other areas of the route, it is important to note that while we are not consulting communities it doesn't feel the route is yet finalised. We are still developing our proposals and will confirm the final route when we submit our DCO later this year.	
Braintree District Council	Points out that not releasing information on change requests not taken forward will compound idea that National Grid hasn't listened to feedback or gave insufficient time to respond to change requests	The feedback we receive at targeted consultations will be considered and responded to within the Consultation Report.	No action
Braintree District Council	Suggests that project newsletter should reference that the document explaining feedback and why change requests were not taken forward will be released at a later date. Acknowledgment that it could not be released in January, but suggests that would avoid the impression of ignoring feedback	The newsletter includes reference to the Consultation Report, which will be submitted as part of our application for Development Consent.	Contained within the January 2025 newsletter
Braintree District Council	Suggests the interactive map is updated with the new alignment, as this will be a starting point for many	As this is a targeted consultation and the changes are smaller in scope, we have not updated the interactive project map at this point. Instead, we will add a caveat to the map to ensure people can understand that this is a draft alignment subject to change. A final version of the map will be published once we submit our DCO.	Action taken
Braintree District Council	Comment that the general project newsletter should contain reference and explanation of the consultation and should come out as early as possible in January. Should contain initial sign-	Noted. We released a project newsletter in January 2025 which referenced further consultations which would be taking place. The newsletter included	Action taken

Council	Comment(s)	Regard had / response	Actions / comments
	posting to where information would be, to allow non-affected stakeholders to review.	information that we will be writing to residents, and information will be available online.	
Thurrock Council	Requested specifics of which residents and forums will be contacted	At the launch of our targeted consultations, we contacted relevant local properties, as well as parish, district and county councils. We also contacted a range of gatekeeper hard-to-reach groups – bodies that represent a range of different audiences – at statutory consultation. We will write to and notify these organisations again at launch of targeted consultations.	CCZ contained within the published strategy.

Appendix K4

Targeted statutory consultation strategy

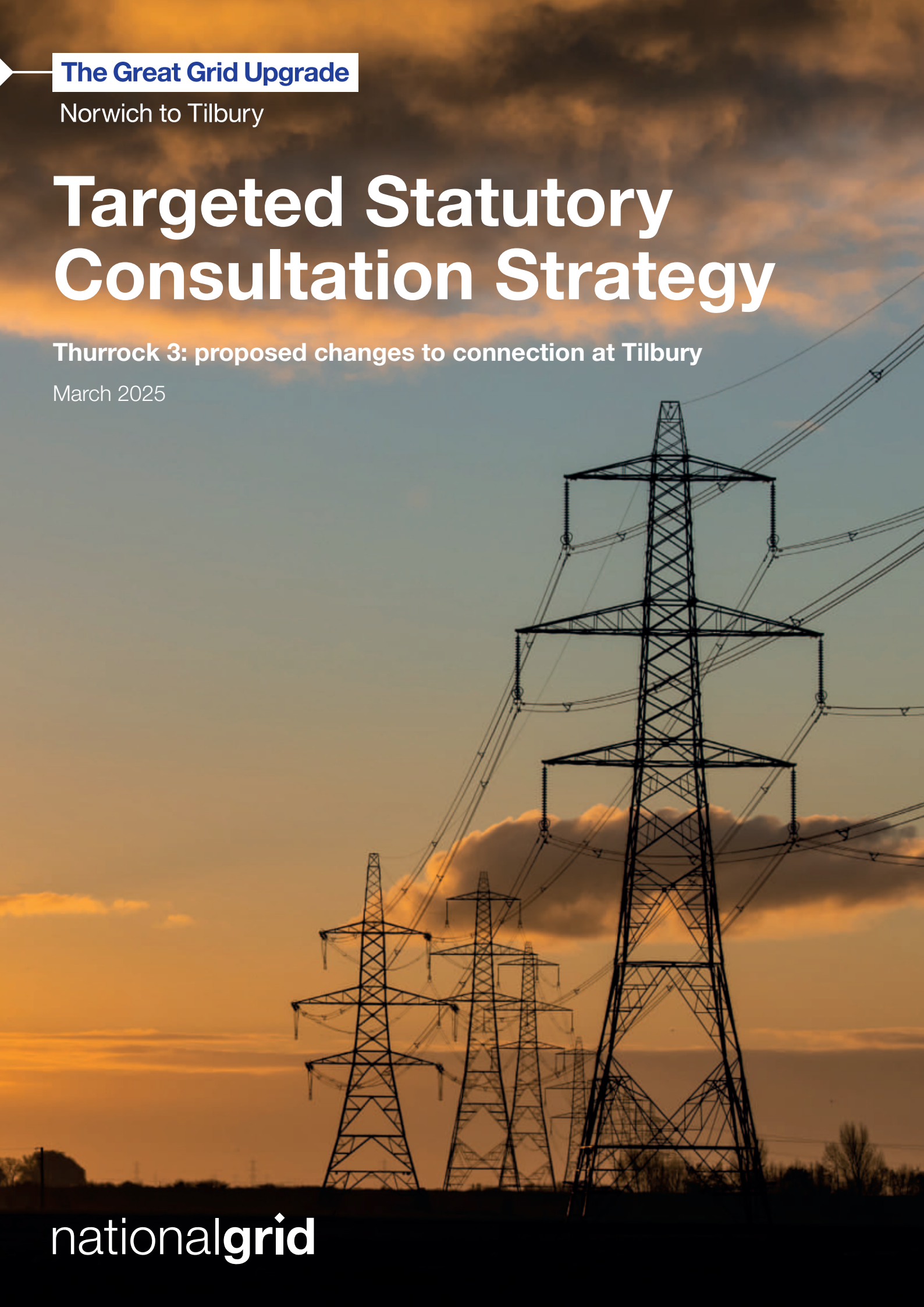
The Great Grid Upgrade

Norwich to Tilbury

Targeted Statutory Consultation Strategy

Thurrock 3: proposed changes to connection at Tilbury

March 2025



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Introduction

National Grid is committed to engaging and consulting with communities and stakeholders to give people the opportunity to provide feedback and insight at formative stages of projects.

Our approach to engagement in support of Norwich to Tilbury is guided by the requirements of the Planning Act 2008 and government guidance as set out in Planning Act 2008: Pre-application stage for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects.

Our first non-statutory consultation on Norwich to Tilbury was held between 21 April 2022 and 16 June 2022. This was followed by a second non-statutory consultation held between 27 June 2023 and 21 August 2023.

We then held a statutory consultation between 10 April 2024 and 26 July 2024 when we consulted on our refined proposals, including a draft alignment, a new substation in East Anglia, six cable sealing end (CSE) compound locations, temporary construction works and an alternative design at Waveney Valley.

We set out how we intended to consult in a Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) published in April 2024 and we carried out the statutory consultation in accordance with that SoCC.

Further details of how we carried out these consultations and the proposals we presented at each stage can be found on our project website - **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**.

Following the close of statutory consultation in July 2024 for the Norwich to Tilbury project, we reviewed and considered all consultation feedback and continued to carry out further assessments and survey work to inform our proposals. In light of feedback and additional technical information, we are now considering making some changes to our proposals at a number of locations, including some proposed changes to where the project connects into the existing network at Tilbury.

We have therefore chosen to hold further targeted consultations to provide stakeholders and the public with the opportunity to provide feedback on these proposed changes before we finalise our proposals for submission. As these changes would not fundamentally change the project as a whole, a targeted consultation approach is proposed, which is in line with guidance (Planning Act 2008: Pre-application stage for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects, paragraph 020) issued in April 2024 by the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (now Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government):

"In understanding whether there has been a material and substantial change, applicants should take into account the following guiding factors:

- *the degree of change as compared to the proposals previously consulted upon as a whole;*
- *the number of materially worse environmental effects as compared to what has been the subject of previous consultations; and*
- *the level of public interest, and the likelihood that such interest would merit further consideration in the context of that change.*

"For any material change to a part of the proposed application where the project as a whole is not fundamentally changed, for example in the case of linear aspects where new information leads to a new alignment for a particular section of the proposal, a bespoke and targeted approach to further consultation can be adopted, which can address the specific consultation obligations arising proportionately.

"Targeted consultation can be statutory or non-statutory or a combination of the two depending on whether new persons needing to be consulted under section 42 of the Planning Act have been identified, but such targeted consultation will not require the production of PEI provided proportionate and appropriate information on environmental implications of any changes, where necessary, is provided."

This will be a targeted statutory community consultation as the proposed changes to the existing overhead lines and primary access routes may affect new communities, residents and landowners in the vicinity of the area that have not been consulted before.

This Targeted Statutory Consultation Strategy sets out how we will undertake this consultation so far as is relevant, practicable and proportionate in accordance with the principles and methods which are set out in the SoCC and the requirements of the Planning Act 2008 and relevant guidance. **The SoCC can be found in Appendix B of this document.**

All consultation carried out, whether statutory or non-statutory, will be considered fully; the project team will look at all feedback and have regard to any relevant responses received.

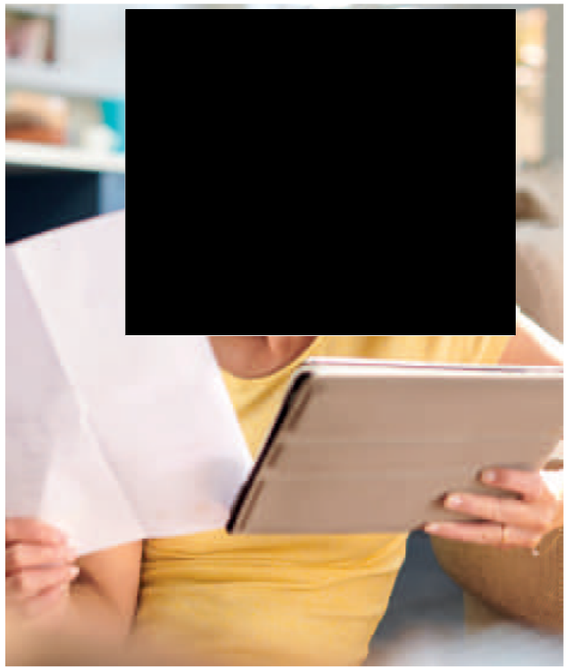
Targeted consultation on changes at Thurrock 3: proposed changes to connection at Tilbury

We are consulting local residents where we are considering changes to the proposed project presented to the public at the statutory consultation which ran from April to July 2024. This consultation will cover the changes we're proposing at Thurrock 3: proposed changes to connection at Tilbury.

The proposed changes are in response to feedback about the potential interactions with a number of existing and proposed developments in the area, including potential impact on economic growth opportunities at the Freeport, potential interactions with Lower Thames Crossing, and challenging construction sections to cross under existing infrastructure.

The proposed changes would remove the need to build approximately 4.5 km of underground cable and would no longer require an extension to the existing substation at Tilbury. They would also avoid any interaction with the area of focus for the Thames Estuary Marshes SSSI designation.

Instead, we are proposing to connect into a new substation near Orsett and carry out some modifications to the existing overhead lines in the area to enable the electrical connection into the existing Tilbury substation. The proposed new substation would be located where previously we had proposed a Cable Sealing End (CSE) compound.



Consulting locally

We are consulting local residents close to where we are considering changes to the connection at Tilbury.

To support this targeted statutory consultation we have developed a two-tier consultation zone. We will write to residents within a 1 km consultation zone of the proposed new substation location, permanent assets and changes to the overhead lines, 250 m from the proposed order limits for the modifications to the existing overhead lines, and 250 m from primary access routes. Where appropriate, the consultation zone has been extended to include whole streets rather than dissecting neighbourhoods.
The consultation zone is included as Appendix A to this strategy.

Timing of consultation

The consultation on our proposals for Thurrock 3: proposed changes to connection at Tilbury will be open for 30 days. This will provide people with an appropriate amount of time to view the changes and respond to the consultation and is consistent with other targeted consultations held in January and February 2025. It is proportionate to the level of change being proposed, particularly in the vicinity of the proposed substation where communities have been consulted on three previous occasions in 2022, 2023 and 2024. The duration of the consultation has been agreed with the local authority.

We will also write to stakeholders to notify them of detailed timings, along with information on the locations where we are consulting on proposed changes. Dates and how to take part will also be published on the project website.

Targeted consultation activities

We are committed to ensuring targeted consultations on our proposals are inclusive and will reach those who otherwise may not engage with us or do not have access to the most traditional and conventional methods of consultation.

Community consultation

We will send a letter to each property that falls within the consultation zone setting out information on the targeted statutory consultation and inviting the recipient to provide feedback. Residents will also receive a consultation leaflet that explains what we are now proposing in their area and why, a map showing the proposed change in their area (as well as what had been previously presented at statutory consultation in summer 2024 where applicable), how people can take part and provide feedback, and a feedback questionnaire and a freepost envelope. More information including a Consultation Summary Document, Design Development Report and Environmental Implication of Change document will be available on the project website and at the public information events.

We will seek to raise awareness of the project and public consultation with stakeholders and the public more broadly, including by:

- publishing full details of the targeted consultation on the project website
- notifying our contact database via our regular project update e-mail newsletter
- providing contact information for the community relations team widely within materials posted within the consultation zones and to local authorities
- running an advert in local media titles on/following consultation launch
- notifying hard to reach groups as identified within the SoCC
- publishing statutory notices in locally circulating newspapers.

We will also publicise the consultation in local circulating newspapers.

Stakeholder briefings and meetings

We will offer briefings, either online or in-person, to provide information about the targeted consultation and respond to any questions for stakeholders including:

- Members of Parliament where the location of proposed changes falls into all or part of their constituencies.
- Elected representatives where the location of proposed changes falls into all or part of their ward. Briefings will be carried out via Teams.

Public webinar

We will hold two public webinars for residents living near to the proposed changes. People will be able to sign up via the website.

A recording of the webinars will be made available on the project website for playback by those who cannot attend the webinar session. The session will also include time for questions and answers.

Public information events

We will hold two public information events for the local community to find out information about the proposals and the consultation and talk to representatives from the project team. The event will be held at a suitable, publicly accessible venue that is within or near to the PCZ. Details of where and when the public information event will be held will be published on the project website and in materials sent to local residents.

Should any events (in person or webinars) need to be altered or cancelled for any reason, the most appropriate mitigation would be identified on a case-by-case basis in consultation in consultation with the relevant Local Planning Authority.

Consultation materials

We will make all consultation documents available on the project website and at an inspection point, including:

- a consultation leaflet
- a Consultation Summary Document, including maps
- Environmental implications of Change document
- a downloadable feedback questionnaire
- an online feedback questionnaire
- contact details.

Inspection point

In addition to the consultation materials being available online, we will seek to ensure that the consultation leaflet, Consultation Summary Document, Environmental Implications of Change document, and the feedback questionnaire as well as copies of the SoCC and this strategy are available to view at the venues listed below throughout the consultation period.

Location	Address	Opening hours
Tilbury Library	Civic Square, Tilbury RM18 8AD	Monday - 10am – 5pm Tuesday - 10am – 7pm Wednesday - 10am – 5pm Thursday - 10am – 7pm Friday - 10am – 5pm Saturday - 10am - 1pm Sunday - Closed
Chadwell Library	Brentwood Road, Chadwell St Mary RM16 4JP	Monday - 10am – 5pm Tuesday - 10am – 5pm Wednesday - Closed Thursday - 10am – 5pm Friday - 10am – 5pm Saturday - 10am – 1pm Sunday - Closed
East Tilbury Library	Princess Avenue, East Tilbury RM18 8ST	Monday - Closed Tuesday - 10am – 1pm and 2pm – 5pm Wednesday - Closed Thursday - 10am – 1pm and 2pm – 5pm Friday - Closed Saturday - 10am – 1pm Sunday - Closed

Project website

Our project website is where all information relating to our targeted consultations and all previous consultations is located. The website will be updated to include all relevant information for the targeted statutory consultation.

Maps and visuals

Maps showing the proposed changes we are consulting on will be made available in the document library. We are not updating the interactive project map at this time, but it will remain available and include an explanation of what the map is showing and where the latest proposals can be viewed.

Information included on project website.

Function	Description
Project website document library with access to the information	The library is our 'go to' deposit location for all project information. All information relating to our targeted consultations will be uploaded here. This includes the consultation leaflets being sent out to properties in the consultation zones.
Consultation pages to display all relevant information and material being presented for consultation	Information about our proposals will be laid out in a simple, visual and interactive format, with pointers and instructions throughout to aid easy navigation. This includes a link to the online feedback questionnaire. We will also provide links and registration instructions for the public webinar we will hold.
Proportionate environmental information on the implications of the proposed change	We will publish proportionate and appropriate environmental information on the implications of the proposed change and how that may or may not differ to those effects laid out within the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) presented in summer 2024.
FAQs	This will help visitors find answers to frequently asked questions.
Project update section	This section allows members of the public to stay updated on the project and provides an easily accessible place for all recent updates to be hosted.
Project contact details	This includes telephone, email and freepost details for the public to get in contact and request further details or ask questions.
Feedback questionnaire	The online questionnaire will enable members of the public to provide their feedback easily for each location and submit to the project team. The document can also be downloaded from the website and returned by email or printed and sent back via Freepost. Paper copies will also be posted on request.
GDPR (Legal statement)	All personal data will be held in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) (EU) 2016/679 and personal data will not be transferred outside of the European Economic Area or used for purposes other than those outlined. The website will be made accessible for all users through the provision of audio guides, videos, other visual material and the ability to request translation. You can find more information about our privacy policy on our website here - **nationalgrid.com/privacy-policy**

Accessibility

If people need consultation materials presented in different formats, we will consider this on request.

Providing feedback

We want to make providing feedback as easy as possible for all our stakeholders and communities. Paper copies of the feedback questionnaire, along with a Freepost envelope, will be mailed to addresses that fall within our consultation zone and available on request. Website visitors will be able to provide their feedback via our online feedback questionnaire or by downloading it to return by email or Freepost (address listed below).

Our contact and feedback channels are the same as they were at statutory consultation:

Email – **contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com**

Freepost – **FREEPOST N TO T**

Online feedback questionnaire – **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**

People will also be able to call our hotline on **0800 915 2497** if they have any questions

We will review and consider all the feedback we receive following the close of the targeted consultations and this will be used to continue to inform the development and refinement of our proposals alongside further assessment and survey work. All the feedback we receive will be responded to in our Consultation Report, which will form part of our DCO application.

Further consultation

We may carry out further targeted consultation either with communities or landowners following feedback and our ongoing studies on a non-statutory or statutory basis. Where this is the case, we will carry out consultation in a practicable and proportionate way, in accordance with the relevant principles and methods set out in this strategy and our SoCC as well as the Planning Act 2008 and relevant guidance.

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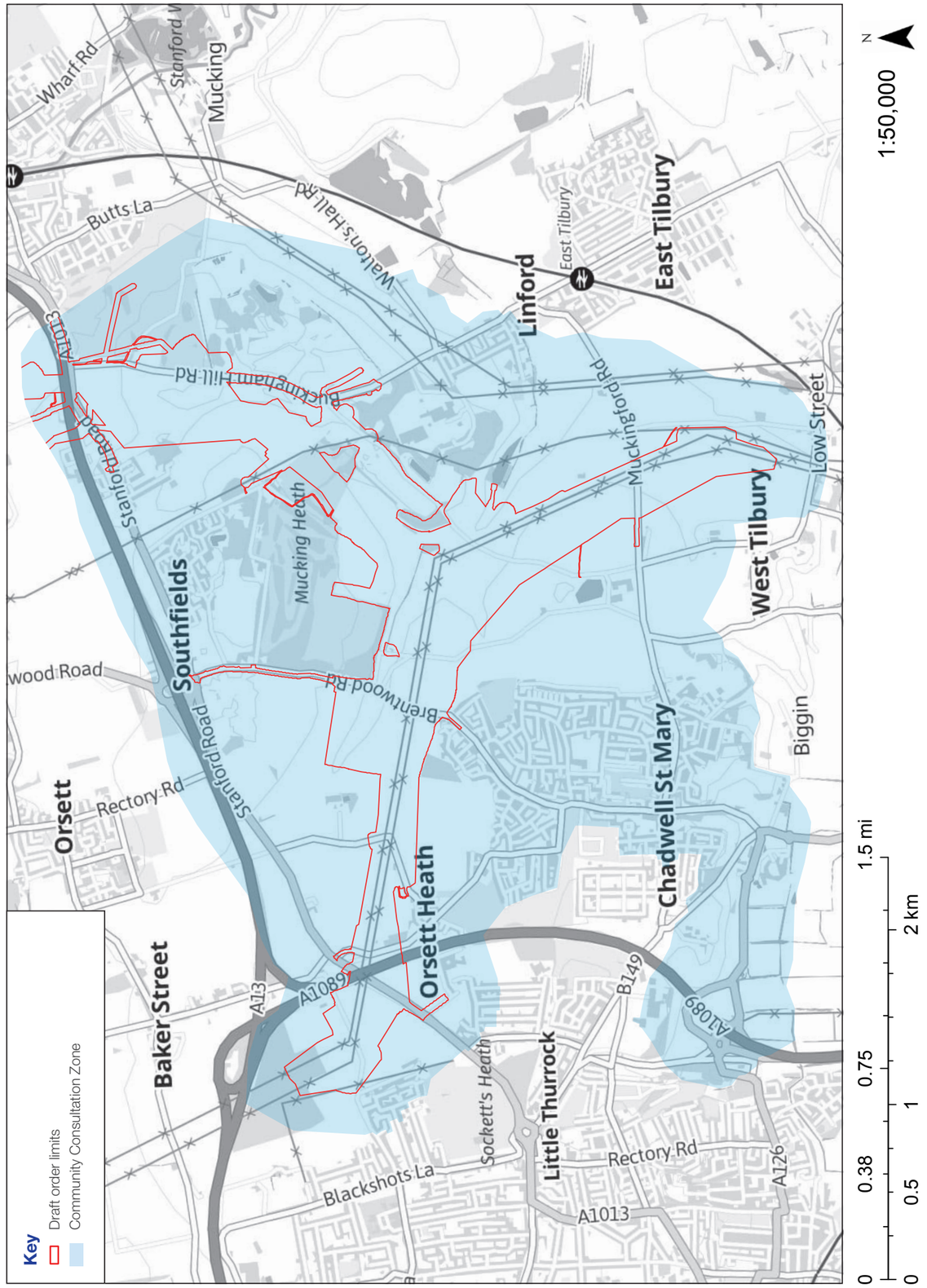
Appendix A



Appendix B

The Great Grid Upgrade

Norwich to Tilbury

Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC)

April 2024

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1. Introduction

1.1. Purpose of the document

1.1.1. This document is a Statement of Community Consultation ("SoCC") which sets out how National Grid Electricity Transmission plc ("National Grid") intends to consult statutory consultees, stakeholders, affected residents, businesses and local communities ahead of its application for development consent for the Norwich to Tilbury Project (referred to here as the proposed "Project"). National Grid proposes to provide a new link to the transmission system by upgrading and reinforcing the electricity transmission system in East Anglia (Norfolk, Suffolk and Essex specifically).

1.1.2. National Grid expects the proposed Project to be classified as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project ("NSIP") and requires consent from the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero (the "SoS") via a Development Consent Order ("DCO"). This document has been prepared in line with Section 47(1) of the Planning Act 2008 ("the Planning Act"), which requires applicants to prepare a statement explaining how they will consult with people living in the vicinity of the land where the Project is proposed to be located, from here called "the local community" about the proposed application, and to carry out pre-application consultation in accordance with this statement. As the proposed Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment ("EIA") development, this SoCC therefore also sets out how National Grid intends to publicise and consult on the preliminary environmental information, in accordance with regulation 12 of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 ("the EIA Regulations").

1.1.3. In developing the SoCC, we consulted with and had regard to comments from the following local authorities:

- **Norfolk County Council**
- **Suffolk County Council**
- **Essex County Council**
- **Thurrock Council**
- **South Norfolk District Council**
- **Mid Suffolk District Council**
- **Babergh District Council**
- **Tendring District Council**
- **Colchester City Council**
- **Braintree District Council**
- **Chelmsford City Council**
- **Brentwood Borough Council**
- **Basildon Borough Council.**

1.2. Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects

1.2.1. The proposed Project is expected to be classified as an NSIP under Section 14(1)(b) and Section 16(1)(a) of the Planning Act because it comprises new above ground electricity transmission connections of more than 2 km, with an operating voltage of above 132 kilovolt ("kV"). National Grid intends to submit an application for a DCO to the Planning Inspectorate under Section 37 of the Planning Act.

1.2.2. The application for a DCO will be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate, who appoints an Examining Authority to examine the application on behalf of the SoS. The Examining Authority will provide a recommendation to the SoS, who will ultimately decide whether to grant development consent for the proposed Project.

1.2.3. Before submitting an application, the Planning Act requires us to carry out consultation with people living in the vicinity of the land where the Project is proposed to be located and prescribed stakeholders.

1.2.4. Early involvement of communities, local authorities and other stakeholders helps to ensure we identify valuable information about the potential effects of the proposed Project, where feedback from consultees can help shape the Project's development.

1.2.5. Early involvement also ensures that potential mitigation measures can be considered and, where appropriate, built into our designs before an application for a DCO is submitted.

1.3. Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)

1.3.1. The proposed Project is an 'EIA Development'. On 7 November 2022, National Grid submitted a Scoping Report to the SoS for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy[1], to inform the EIA for the proposed Project.

1.3.2. Within the Scoping Report, National Grid gave formal written notification under Regulation 8(1)(b) of the EIA Regulations that it considers the proposed Project will require (and that National Grid will in due course provide) an Environmental Statement in respect of the Project and it is considered to be an 'EIA Development'.

1.3.3. A scoping opinion for the proposed Project was adopted by the Planning Inspectorate (on behalf of the SoS) on 14 December 2022.

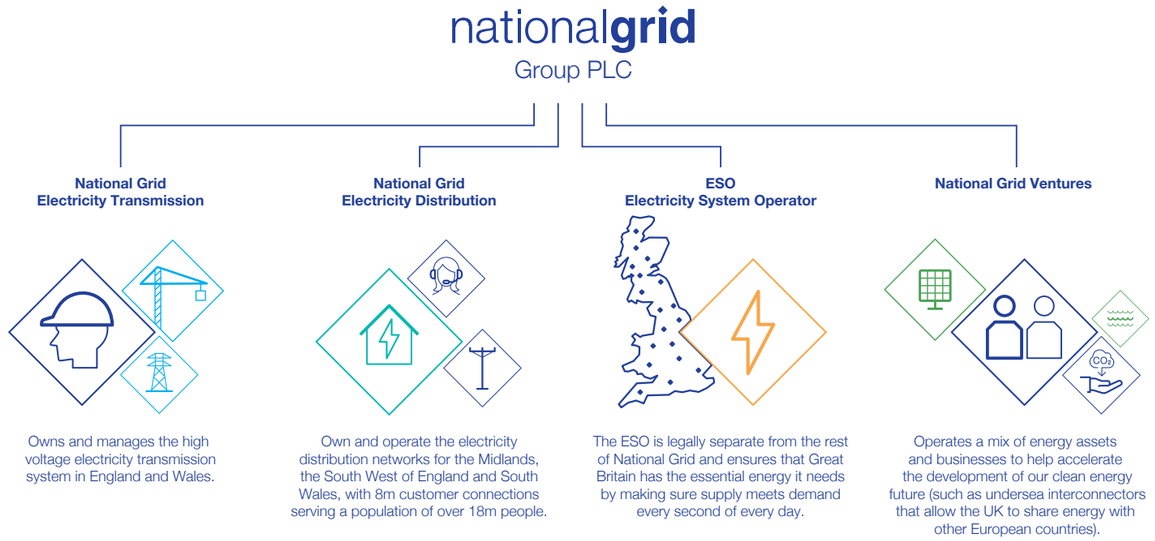
[1] Predecessor to the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero, which was formed on 7 February 2023.

1.4. About National Grid Group PLC

1.4.1. National Grid sits at the heart of Great Britain's energy system, connecting millions of people and businesses to the energy they use every day. We bring energy to life: in the heat, light, and power we bring to our customers' homes and businesses; in the way that we support our communities and help them to grow; and in the way we show up in the world. It is our vision to be at the heart of a clean, fair, and affordable energy future.

1.4.2. Within the wider National Grid PLC group of companies there are four separate legal entities, each with their own roles and responsibilities. The structure of the National Grid PLC group of companies is available in Figure 1.1.

Figure 1.1: Structure of the wider National Grid PLC group of companies



1.4.3. National Grid Electricity Transmission (referred to here as National Grid), holds the transmission licence for England and Wales under the Electricity Act 1989. National Grid owns, builds, and maintains the high voltage electricity transmission system in England and Wales – the overhead lines, buried cables and substations that carry power around the country. It is National Grid that is developing the proposals for the Norwich to Tilbury Project.

1.4.4. National Grid Electricity Distribution owns and operates the distribution networks for the Midlands, the southwest of England and south Wales.

1.4.5. National Grid ESO is the Electricity System Operator ("ESO") which operates the transmission network in Great Britain, including the networks in Scotland owned by Scottish Power Transmission and Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks. ESO manages the network, ensuring the right amount of energy is provided where it is needed. In April 2019, ESO became a legally separate business within the National Grid PLC group and is regulated independently by Ofgem.

1.4.6. The Energy Act 2023 legislated for the creation of a Future Systems Operator which will replace ESO in the future. In January 2024, ESO announced that the Future Systems Operator would be called the National Energy Systems Operator ("NESO"), which will be founded on the current activities of ESO and take a whole system approach to strengthen energy security, help deliver the Government's Net Zero legislative agenda and ensure household bills are affordable in the long term.

1.4.7. National Grid Ventures is the unregulated commercial arm of the National Grid PLC group, investing in technologies and partnerships that help accelerate our move to a clean energy future. That includes interconnectors – connecting the UK with countries across the North Sea, allowing trade between energy markets and efficient use of renewable energy resources.

1.4.8. National Grid has a statutory duty to develop and maintain an efficient, coordinated, and economical system of electricity transmission under the Electricity Act 1989. This includes a statutory obligation to offer to connect any new generating stations or interconnectors applying to connect to the transmission system.

1.4.9. In developing proposals that affect the transmission system (including proposals to reinforce the network to accommodate new connections), National Grid is required to consider relevant National Policy Statements (NPSs). The NPSs relevant to the proposed Project are the Overarching National Policy Statement for Energy (EN-1) and the National Policy Statement for Electricity Networks Infrastructure (EN-5). The National Policy Statement for Renewable Energy (EN-3) also includes support for the onshore infrastructure required to deliver new offshore wind development. These NPSs came into force in January 2024.

1.4.10. National Grid is also required, under Section 38 of the Electricity Act 1989, to comply with the provisions of Schedule 9 of the Electricity Act 1989. Schedule 9 requires licence holders, in the formulation of proposals to transmit electricity, to preserve amenity, as outlined below:

Schedule 9(1)(a) '…have regard to the desirability of preserving natural beauty, of conserving flora, fauna and geological or physiographical features of special interest and of protecting sites, buildings and objects of architectural, historic or archaeological interest;' and

Schedule 9(1)(b) '…do what [it] reasonably can to mitigate any effect which the proposals would have on the natural beauty of the countryside or on any such flora, fauna, features, sites, buildings or objects.'

1.4.11. How we set out to meet these environmental responsibilities and our commitments relating to engagement and consultation about proposals, is explained in our Stakeholder, Community and Amenity Policy[2].

[2] https://www.nationalgrid.com/electricity-transmission/document/81026/download

2. The Project

2.1. Project introduction

2.1.1. The Project is a proposal by National Grid to provide a new link on the transmission system by upgrading and reinforcing the electricity transmission system in East Anglia between Norwich and Tilbury.

2.1.2. The proposed Project would include the construction of a new 400 kV electricity transmission connection to reinforce the system to increase the capacity of the transmission network in this area. The current draft proposals for the Project that are being consulted on include approximately 159 km of new overhead lines and 25 km of underground cabling between the Norwich Main and Bramford substations in the northern part of the route, and from Bramford to Tilbury substations in the southern part of the route, as well as a new 400 kV substation.

2.1.3. An alternative design at the Waveney Valley is also being considered and is the subject of consultation and ongoing assessment, which would comprise approximately 2 km fewer overhead lines and an additional 2 km of underground cabling.

2.1.4. All of this work forms part of The Great Grid Upgrade – National Grid's programme to deliver over five times the amount of electricity transmission infrastructure in the next seven years than has been built in the past 30 years.

2.2. Project background and need

2.2.1. The increase in renewable energy generation, in line with the UK Government's Net Zero legislative agenda, is driving the need to expand the capacity of National Grid's transmission system.

2.2.2. Great Britain already has 8.5 gigawatts ("GW") of offshore wind energy in operation, and another 1.9 GW under construction. The Government's Energy White Paper[3] (December 2020) outlines a plan to increase energy from offshore wind to 40 GW by 2030 (this Government target was increased in April 2022 to 50 GW) and this Project would support in achieving this target.

2.2.3. New connections for new offshore wind and nuclear power generation projects and for interconnectors into East Anglia are expected to continue in addition to the current contracted position.

2.2.4. These new connections are being constructed or are expected to connect into substations at Necton, Norwich Main, Bramford, Friston and Sizewell. Additionally, connection agreements are in place with two offshore wind farm projects and one interconnector based on their connections into a new East Anglia Connection Node substation. National Grid has a duty to facilitate new connections and maintain a safe National Electricity Transmission System ("NETS") and has considered the capability of the existing network to support such connections. This assessment considered various published Future Energy Scenarios (a range of scenarios which seek to address the uncertainty that exists over such an extended planning horizon) to consider network capability relative to the expected connection requirements.

[3] www.gov.uk/government/publications/energy-white-paper-powering-our-net-zero-future/energy-white-paper-powering-our-net-zero-future-accessible-html-version

2.2.5. Much of East Anglia's 400 kV electricity transmission network was built in the 1960s. It was designed to supply regional demand, centred around Norwich and Ipswich. With the growth in new energy generation from offshore wind, nuclear power and interconnection with other countries, there will be more electricity connected in East Anglia than the network can currently accommodate.

2.2.6. As a result, and to meet its duties, National Grid needs to reinforce the electricity network to allow power to be imported to, and exported from, East Anglia and to provide additional capability to allow power flows into and out of the south east area to connect with areas of demand and interconnectors to Europe.

2.2.7. The proposed Project could also connect new offshore wind farms off the Essex coast to the electricity transmission network and a European interconnector. Two offshore wind farms, the North Falls Offshore Wind Farm and Five Estuaries Offshore Wind Farm, and the Tarchon Energy interconnector (from Germany) have been proposed. If consented, they are expected to be operational by the end of the decade.

3. Consultation and engagement to date

3.1.1. National Grid is committed to engaging and consulting with communities and stakeholders at an early stage of the proposed Project, giving people the opportunity to provide feedback and insight at a formative stage ahead of more detailed design work being carried out.

3.1.2. National Grid's approach to engagement in support of the proposed Project is to carry out both non-statutory and statutory consultation guided by the requirements of the Planning Act.

3.1.3. The first non-statutory consultation was held between 21 April 2022 and 16 June 2022. This was followed by a second non-statutory consultation held between 27 June 2023 and 21 August 2023. These are now being followed by statutory consultation as set out in **Section 5**.

3.1.4. At the first non-statutory consultation, National Grid presented a broad swathe within which new infrastructure (pylons and underground cables) could be located as well as a proposed new substation site on the Tendring Peninsula. Following the conclusion of this consultation, we analysed the feedback received and, along with further technical studies and design work, developed the project design ahead of the second non-statutory consultation.

3.1.5. At the second non-statutory consultation, National Grid presented a preferred draft indicative alignment showing potential pylon positions, underground cables, cable sealing end ("CSE") compounds and connection substations. The feedback received at this consultation was combined with our ongoing environmental assessments and technical studies to help identify the proposals presented at statutory consultation.

3.1.6. At both non-statutory consultations National Grid sought to identify and understand the views and opinions of all the stakeholders and communities who may potentially be affected by the proposed Project. National Grid consulted with stakeholders at an early stage to ensure technical advice and local knowledge was taken into account in the early development of the Project. These stakeholders included local councils, elected representatives, local residents, hard-to-reach groups, and local interest groups.

3.1.7. National Grid gave the stakeholders and local community digital and non-digital opportunities to engage with the proposals through a dedicated website, public events and webinar events as well as via email, phone and Freepost. At the launch of both non-statutory consultations, National Grid wrote to all homes within a 1 km Primary Consultation Zone ("PCZ") of the proposals – around 50,000 addresses – and placed adverts in local papers and on social media. The PCZ included people whose property postcodes lie within 1 km of the Project boundary presented at both consultations. This includes the graduated swathe presented at the 2022 non-statutory consultation and the preferred draft indicative alignment presented at the 2023 non-statutory consultation. Paper copies of the key consultation documents were also placed at information points in publicly accessible venues – libraries and, where possible, council offices – along the route. Alternative formats of the documents were available on request.

3.1.8. More information on both non-statutory consultations and how the feedback received at both non-statutory consultations helped influence and shape the proposals to date can be found in the 2022 Non-statutory Consultation Feedback Report and the 2023 Non-statutory Consultation Feedback Report. These are available on the Project's website[4].

3.1.9. Methods used to raise further awareness of the proposed Project ahead of the statutory consultation period have included:

- issuing an interim newsletter to all addresses within the 2023 PCZ providing an update following the 2023 non-statutory consultation (issued in December 2023)
- offering to brief and update elected representatives, local interest groups, local planning authority officers and hard-to-reach groups about the current status of the Project, plans for the forthcoming statutory consultation, and how people can get involved
- engagement with the local media to raise awareness of the Project and each phase of consultation
- providing updates to the Project website when new information is available.

3.1.10. More detail on the methods National Grid will use to publicise the statutory consultation is provided in **Section 5.5**.

[4] www.nationalgrid.com/electricity-transmission/network-and-infrastructure/infrastructure-projects/norwich-to-tilbury

4. Project timeline

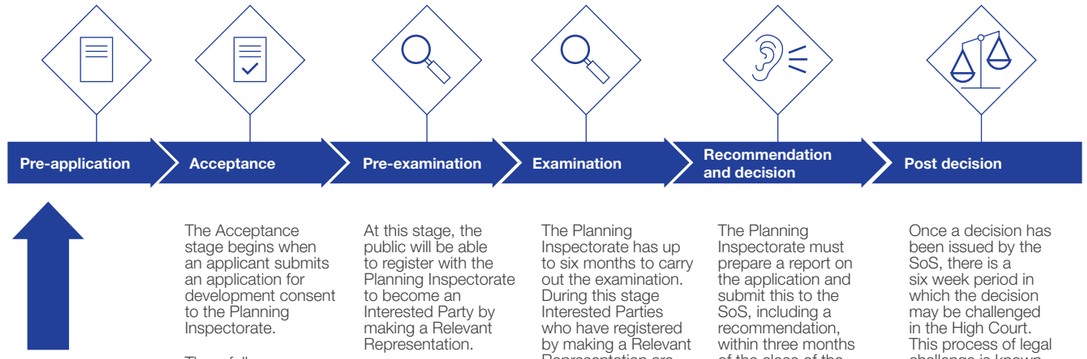
4.1.1. The proposed Project is currently in the pre-application stage of the national infrastructure planning process. Table 4.1 sets out the milestones for each stage of the proposed Project and indicative dates from pre-application consultation through to construction.

4.1.2. Figure 4.1 sets out the DCO consenting process.

Table 4.1: Project milestones

Stage
Non-statutory consultation – We held a period of non-statutory consultation between 21 April 2022 and 16 June 2022.
Consideration of 2022 non-statutory consultation feedback – We reviewed and had regard to feedback received during non-statutory consultation to inform the design of the proposed Project.
Non-statutory consultation – We held a second non-statutory consultation between 27 June 2023 and 21 August 2023.
Consideration of 2023 non-statutory consultation feedback – We reviewed and had regard to feedback received during non-statutory consultation to inform the design of the proposed Project.
Statutory consultation – We will consult the local community and statutory consultees (as outlined in Sections 42 and 47 of the Planning Act) on the draft proposals.
Consideration of 2024 statutory consultation feedback – We will review and have regard to the feedback received from the statutory consultation and finalise the proposed design. We will also continue engagement with stakeholders prior to submission of our DCO application.
Application submission – We plan to submit our DCO application to the Planning Inspectorate in 2025. The Planning Inspectorate, on behalf of the SoS, has up to 28 days to decide whether or not the application meets the standards required to be accepted for examination.
Examination – If the application is accepted, it will go through a six-month examination period. Prior to this period, stakeholders can register with the Planning Inspectorate to become an 'Interested Party' by making what is called a 'Relevant Representation'. Interested Parties are invited to provide more details of their views in writing during this phase. Careful consideration is given by the Examining Authority, including to all relevant and written representations, and supporting evidence. The Examining Authority is the Inspector or the Panel of Inspectors appointed to conduct the Examination of the application for the DCO.
Recommendation and Decision – The Examining Authority must prepare a report on the application and submit this to the SoS, including a recommendation, within three months of the close of Examination. The SoS has a further three months to make a decision on whether to grant or refuse development consent.
Post-decision – Once a decision has been issued by the SoS, there is a six-week period in which the decision may be challenged in the High Court, known as Judicial Review. If granted development consent, construction could begin in 2026.

Figure 4.1: The DCO process



5. Consulting on the proposed application

5.1. How long will statutory consultation be?

5.1.1. The statutory consultation (under Sections 42 and 47 of the Planning Act) will run for ten weeks.

5.2. What proposals will be consulted on?

5.2.1. The proposed Project comprises a major reinforcement and upgrade of the Electricity Transmission System in East Anglia and is illustrated as a map of the Project area in **Figure 5.1**. This figure shows the geographical extent of the proposed Project boundary.

5.2.2. Overall location plans will be used to describe sections of the proposed Project and will be provided during the statutory consultation, consistent with how the Project has previously been presented.

5.2.3. National Grid will consult on all aspects of the proposed development for the Project, including:

- approximately 159 km of new 400 kV overhead line supported on approximately 510 steel lattice pylons (approximately 50 m in height) some of which are gantries (typically up to 15 m in height) within proposed CSEs compounds, or existing or proposed substations
- approximately 25 km of 400 kV underground cabling some of which is located through the Dedham Vale National Landscape (formerly known as Dedham Vale AONB)
- six new CSE compounds, each with a permanent access, to connect the overhead lines to the underground cables
- a new 400 kV East Anglia Connection Node ("EACN") substation, with a new permanent access, on the Tendring Peninsula. This is proposed to be an Air Insulated Switchgear ("AIS") substation
- substation extension works at the existing Norwich Main, and Bramford substations and works within the existing Tilbury Substation to connect and support operation of the new transmission connection
- temporary works associated with construction of the Project.

- An alternative design at the Waveney Valley (referred to as the Waveney Valley Alternative) is also being considered and is the subject of consultation and ongoing assessment. This design alternative, if taken forward, would result in changes to those elements of the Project set out below. This would instead comprise:
  - installation of approximately 157 km of new 400 kV overhead line.
  - installation of approximately 27 km of 400 kV underground cabling (some of which is located through the Dedham Vale National Landscape.
  - eight new CSE compounds (each with a permanent access) to connect the overhead lines to the underground cables.
- All other works not listed above would be consistent with either alternative.
- In other words, the Waveney Valley Alternative, if taken forward and based on the 2024 preferred draft alignment would comprise approximately 2 km less new 400 kV overhead line and approximately an additional 2 km of 400 kV underground cabling and 2 additional new CSE compounds, each with a permanent access, to connect the overhead lines to the underground cables.
- In addition, third party utilities diversions and / or modifications would also be required to facilitate the construction of the Project. There would also be land required for mitigation, compensation and enhancement of the environment including Biodiversity Net Gain ("BNG").
- As well as the permanent infrastructure, land would also be required temporarily for construction activities including for example working areas for construction equipment and machinery, site offices, welfare, storage and temporary construction access.
- The Project would be designed, constructed and operated in accordance with applicable health and safety legislation. The Project would also need to comply with design safety standards including the NETS Security and Quality of Supply Standard ("SQSS"), which sets out the criteria and methodology for planning and operating the NETS. This informs a suite of National Grid policies and processes, which contain details on design standards required to be met when designing, constructing and operating assets such as proposed for the Project.

5.2.4. The Project as currently proposed is an EIA development and therefore we will also consult on preliminary environmental information as part of this statutory consultation in the form of a Preliminary Environmental Information Report ("PEIR"). We will make the PEIR available on the Project website during statutory consultation, as well as a non-technical summary of the PEIR. We will seek views on the information in those documents.

Figure 5.1: Map of Project area

5.3. Who will be consulted?

5.3.1. The consultation will be open to anyone who is interested in the proposed Project, and National Grid will have regard to all consultation responses received by the relevant deadline.

5.3.2. Under Section 47 of the Planning Act, we have a duty to consult people living in the vicinity of the land, i.e., the local community. In consultation with the local authorities set out in **Section 1.1.3** we have developed a PCZ for the distribution of our Community Newsletter, as shown in Appendix A.

5.3.3. The PCZ includes people and businesses with property postcodes within 1 km of the proposed Project's red line boundary (representing the anticipated extent of land in which the proposed Project may take place). The zone has changed since the last round of consultation as a result of feedback and environmental studies as well as the inclusion of information such as construction access, compounds, laydown areas and the traffic routes we propose to use during construction. This latest zone amounts to approximately 77,000 addresses. Where appropriate, the PCZ has been extended to include whole streets and postcodes rather than the 1 km boundary dissecting hamlets or neighbourhoods.

5.3.4. An additional wider Secondary Consultation Zone ("SCZ") has been developed, comprising a 4 km buffer around the red line boundary, whereby wider publicity of the proposed Project will take place. The SCZ can be found in Appendix A.

5.3.5. Communities within the PCZ and SCZ will be notified about the consultation via methods outlined in **Section 5.5**.

5.3.6. As well as properties and businesses within the PCZ, we will also consult with various groups and individuals including parish councils representing parishes within the PCZ and relevant host and neighbouring local authorities defined under Section 43 of the Planning Act.

5.3.7. In addition to the local community, we will consult prescribed bodies and local authorities under Section 42(1)(a), (b) and Section 43 of the Planning Act. We will also consult persons who fall within Section 42(1)(d) and Section 44 of the Planning Act.

5.4. Consultation Materials

5.4.1. Table 5.1 sets out the consultation materials that will be developed to help people understand the proposals for the proposed Project and provide their feedback.

Table 5.1: Consultation materials

Document	Description	Target audience
Project Background Document	This document will provide a summary of the proposed Project including: • the background to the Project • information about design changes as a result of the 2023 non-statutory consultation • information about potential benefits and impacts of the proposed Project • how we might propose to mitigate any significant effects • signposts for readers to more detailed information reports and how to provide feedback on the Project.	All those interested in the consultation (see **Section 5.3** for detail). This document will be published on the Project website, and available in paper copy on request and at inspection points listed in **Table 5.2** and at public information events. National Grid will consider requests for copies of the document in alternative formats on a case-by-basis, taking into account individual circumstances.
Community Newsletter 2024	The newsletter will set out the proposed Project information, details about the consultation, an overview map of the proposed Project area and how to provide feedback, along with a list of engagement activities throughout the consultation period.	All residents and businesses with properties within the PCZ. The Community Newsletter will be posted to all properties within the PCZ. It will be published on the Project website, and available in paper copy on request and at inspection points listed in **Table 5.2** and at public information events. National Grid will consider requests for copies of the document in alternative formats on a case-by-basis, taking into account individual circumstances.
Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR)	The PEIR will contain a description of the proposed Project, and a preliminary assessment of the likely significant environmental effects of the proposed Project based on the initial information available at that time. It will also set out how we propose to reduce these effects and how we propose to maximise the benefits of the proposed Project. A non-technical summary ("NTS") of the PEIR will also be made available.	All those interested in the consultation (see **Section 5.3** for detail). The PEIR will be available on the Project website, and available to view in paper copy at public information events. The NTS will be available on the Project website, and available in paper copy on request (subject to availability), at inspection points listed in **Table 5.2** and at public information events. Paper copies of the PEIR can be provided on request. This may be subject to a charge to cover printing and postage fees.
2024 Design Development Report	An in-depth technical document detailing the work we have undertaken to date, focusing on the work since the 2023 non-statutory consultation.	All those interested in the consultation (see **Section 5.3** for detail). This document will be available on the Project website, and available to view in paper copy at public information events. Paper copies of the Design Development Report 2024 can be provided on request. This may be subject to a charge to cover printing and postage fees.
2024 Strategic Options Backcheck and Review	Providing an updated overview of the appraisal approach we have used to date to consider strategic options. These are reviewed and backchecked on as part of the ongoing strategic options assessment and decision-making process.	All those interested in the consultation (see **Section 5.3** for detail). This document will be available on the Project website, and available to view in paper copy at public information events. Paper copies of the Strategic Options Backcheck and Review 2024 can be provided on request. This may be subject to a charge to cover printing and postage fees.
2023 Non-Statutory Consultation Feedback Report	Summarising the feedback we received during the 2023 non-statutory consultation and how it has been considered.	All those interested in the consultation (see **Section 5.3** for detail). This document will be available on the Project website, and available to view in paper copy at public information events. Paper copies of the 2023 Non-Statutory Consultation Feedback Report can be provided on request. This may be subject to a charge to cover printing and postage fees.

Document	Description	Target audience
Project maps / Project area maps	A series of maps and plans showing the extent of the proposed Project.	All those interested in the consultation (see **Section 5.3** for detail). These will be available on the Project website and available to view in paper copy at public information events.
Consultation banners	A series of exhibition banners with information relating to the proposed Project that will be used at the public information events.	All those interested in the consultation (see **Section 5.3** for detail). The consultation banners are primarily intended for use at the public information events and will also be made available on the Project website.
Interactive Project map	An interactive map of the proposed Project.	All those interested in the consultation (see **Section 5.3** for detail). The interactive Project map will be made available on the Project website and on screen at the public information events, subject to technical constraints.
Consultation notices	We will publish notices with details of the consultation and provide to statutory consultees as required under Section 48 of the Planning Act.	All those interested in the consultation (see **Section 5.3** for detail). These will be available on the Project website and available to view in paper copy on request.
Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC)	The SoCC sets out how National Grid intends to consult statutory consultees, stakeholders, affected residents, businesses and local communities ahead of its application for development consent for the Project.	All those interested in the consultation (see **Section 5.3** for detail). The SoCC will be published on the Project website and available in paper copy on request and at inspection points listed in Table 5.2 and at public information events. As required under Section 47 of the Planning Act, notice of the SoCC will also be published in local newspapers.
Feedback questionnaire	An online and paper feedback questionnaire to gather responses to the statutory consultation.	All those interested in the consultation (see **Section 5.3** for detail). The feedback questionnaire will be available on the Project website, and available in paper copy on request and at inspection points listed in **Table 5.2** and at public information events. Paper copies can be returned free of charge using a Freepost address: FREEPOST N TO T).
Guide to Interacting with our Consultation Plans	A guide outlining the consultation maps and plans, and how to use them.	All those interested in the consultation (see **Section 5.3** for detail). This document will be available on the Project website and available in paper copy on request and at public information events.

5.4.2. National Grid will consider requests for copies of select consultation materials identified in Table 5.1 in alternative formats on a case-by-basis, taking into account individual circumstances.

5.4.3. All consultation materials will also be available on the Project's website. Information will be easy to access and will be presented in a variety of ways to suit user requirements.

5.4.4. Table 5.2 sets out how we will make the consultation documents available.

Table 5.2: Methods to make consultation documents available.

Activity	Detail
Project website	All consultation documents will be hosted on the Project website throughout the consultation period. We will provide the following local authorities with a link to all the consultation documents: • Norfolk County Council • Suffolk County Council • Essex County Council • Thurrock Council • South Norfolk District Council • Mid Suffolk District Council • Babergh District Council • Tendring District Council • Colchester City Council • Braintree District Council • Chelmsford City Council • Brentwood Borough Council • Basildon Borough Council. Paper copies of selected consultation documents will also be available by request, free of charge. Paper copies of the PEIR can be provided on request. This may be subject to a charge to cover printing and postage fees.
Inspection points	While no longer a statutory requirement, in addition to being available online, we will seek to ensure the Community Newsletter, Project Background Document, NTS of the PEIR, SoCC and feedback questionnaire are available to view at the following locations throughout the consultation period. **Long Stratton Library** The Street, Long Stratton, NR15 2XJ **Norwich Library** Unit 3, The Forum Millennium Plain, Norwich, NR2 1AW **Tuckswood Library** Robin Hood Road, Eaton, NR4 6BX **Diss Library** Church Street, Diss, IP22 4DD **Stowmarket Library** Milton Road, Stowmarket, IP14 1EX **Capel St Mary Library** Village Hall, The Street, Capel St. Mary IP9 2EF **Coggeshall Library** The Friends Meeting House, Stoneham Street, Coggeshall CO6 1UH **Chelmsford Library** Market Road, Chelmsford CM1 1QH **Colchester Library** Trinity Square, Colchester CO1 1JB **Tilbury Library** Civic Square, Tilbury RM18 8AD **Greenstead Library** Hawthorn Avenue, Colchester CO4 3QE **Stanway Library** 10, Villa Road, Stanway CO3 0RH **Prettygate Library** Prettygate Road, Colchester CO3 4EQ **Wivenhoe Library** 104/6 High Street, Wivenhoe CO7 9AB Prior to attending these locations, it is advised that opening hours are checked. We will check that consultation documentation remains at the inspection points throughout the consultation period. We will also try to use local websites to act as public inspection points, by requesting they host a link to the Project website. These may include the following: • local authority websites • local library websites • parish websites • MP websites

Activity	Detail
Document requests	Following the launch of the statutory consultation, consultees will be able to request paper copies of consultation documents. The documents that will be made available, on request, free of charge will be: • Community Newsletter • Project Background Document • Feedback questionnaire • NTS of the PEIR. Requests for paper copies of the technical documents forming the PEIR will be reviewed on a case by-case basis • SoCC. Paper copies of other consultation documents will also be available on request. To cover printing costs a reasonable charge may apply, to be paid for by the recipient and up to a maximum value of £500 for the whole suite of consultation documents. Requests can be made by contacting us using the details provided in **Section 6.1**. We will also consider requests for alternative formats of documents on a case by case basis.
Public information events	Paper copies of the consultation documents will be available for review at the public information events. More detail on the public events is available in **Section 5.6**.

5.5. Promoting the consultation

5.5.1. Residents, local businesses and community organisations within the PCZ will be notified of the start of the consultation in a variety of ways, including through a Community Newsletter, as outlined in Table 5.1 above. A map showing the PCZ (approximately 77,000 addresses) can be found in Appendix A.

5.5.2. A range of other methods will be used to promote the consultation to local communities, as set out in Table 5.3.

Table 5.3: Promotion methods

Method	Detail
Press release	A press release publicising the upcoming consultation and how the community can get involved will be issued ahead of the consultation. The distribution list is likely to include the following media: • Basildon Standard • BBC Look East • BBC Radio Essex • BBC Radio Norfolk • BBC Radio Suffolk • Basildon Standard • Basildon, Canvey, Southend Echo • Braintree and Witham Times • Brentwood Gazette • Brentwood Live • Brentwood Weekly News • Bury Free Press • Bury Mercury • Chelmsford Weekly News • Dereham Times • Diss Express • Diss Mercury • Dunmow Broadcast • East Anglian Daily Times • Eastern Daily Press • Essex Chronicle • Essex Focus • Essex Live • Thurrock Advertiser. The circulation areas of these newspapers extend across both the PCZ and the SCZ, as well as further afield.
Newspaper advertisements	Two rounds of newspaper advertisements will be undertaken during the consultation. Advertisements will provide details of the consultation, where more information can be found, how to respond, and the dates of the engagement activities. Advertisements will be placed in both print and digital publications to ensure wider coverage within and beyond the PCZ and SCZ. We will place adverts in the following titles: • East Anglian Daily Times • Eastern Daily Press • Essex Chronicle.

Emails and letters	We will send, via email, letters about the consultation and how to get involved to the following:
	• MPs, where all or part of their constituencies lie within either consultation zone.
	• Elected representatives within the PCZ at:
	  • Norfolk County Council
	  • Suffolk County Council
	  • Essex County Council
	  • Thurrock Council
	  • South Norfolk District Council
	  • Mid Suffolk District Council
	  • Babergh District Council
	  • Tendring District Council
	  • Colchester City Council
	  • Braintree District Council
	  • Chelmsford City Council
	  • Brentwood Borough Council
	  • Basildon Borough Council
	  • Parish Councils within the PCZ

Statutory notices	• We will publish statutory notices in locally circulating newspapers • We will publicise the consultation – once in a national newspaper and the London Gazette and twice in local circulating newspapers.
Information posters	Posters including details of the consultation, how to access Project information, and how to get involved, will be sent to each parish council within the PCZ.
Social media	We will promote the consultation on National Grid UK's X (formerly Twitter) and Facebook account, @NationalGridUK. We will also develop a social media guide for local authorities to use on their social media channels. This guide will include links for the Project website. We are unable to accept feedback through social media channels, however, we will monitor comments or questions we receive through our owned channels and respond where practicable. We will aim to point people towards sources of information, including the Project website, the interactive Project map and to formal feedback channels.

5.5.3. Any activity(ies) that cannot be undertaken due to circumstances beyond our control, where possible, will be substituted with similar activity(ies) and advertised in local newspapers (via press release) circulating in the vicinity of the proposed Project. Any activity changes will also be published on the Project website and on National Grid UK's X (formerly Twitter) and Facebook accounts @NationalGridUK.

5.6. Public information events

5.6.1. Public information events will be held for communities to find out information about the proposed Project and the consultation and talk to representatives from the Project team. The events will be held at suitable, publicly accessible venues that are within or near to the PCZ.

5.6.2. Details of where and when the public information events will be held will be published on the Project website and in the Community Newsletter sent to all properties within the PCZ and available at inspection points.

5.6.3. The events will be held during afternoons and early evenings in the week and at least one will be held on a weekend, where feasible.

5.6.4. Copies of all relevant consultation materials will be made available in print format at each event. There will also be a series of banners to present the proposals for the proposed Project, including maps.

5.6.5. Those attending the public information events will be encouraged to provide their feedback via the online or paper feedback questionnaire on the proposals.

5.6.6. Should any events (in person or webinars) need to be altered or cancelled for any reason, the most appropriate mitigation would be identified on a case-by-case basis in consultation with the relevant Local Planning Authority(ies).

5.7. Webinars

5.7.1. We will try to hold six webinars during the consultation period. We will run two general overview webinars and four that are section specific. People will be able to sign up to the webinars via the Project website, or by contacting National Grid by using the contact details set out in **Section 6.1**.

5.7.2. The sessions will cover the proposals in detail and provide an opportunity for attendees to ask questions of the Project team.

5.7.3. National Grid will endeavor to make British Sign Language interpretation available for one of the general overview webinars which will be recorded and published on the Project website.

5.8. Stakeholder briefings and meetings

5.8.1. National Grid will offer briefings and / or meetings with the following stakeholders in the run-up to, or during the consultation:

- MPs, where all or part of their constituencies lie within either consultation zone.
- Elected representatives of district and county councils within the PCZ.
- Parish councils, where all or part of the parish falls within the PCZ.
- Local authorities, including neighbouring authorities.
- Key prescribed consultees, such as National Landscapes (formerly known as AONB) conservation boards.
- Persons with an Interest in Land (PILs) under Sections 42(1)(d) of the Planning Act.

5.8.2. National Grid will consider meetings with other organisations and individuals upon request.

5.9. Hard-to-reach / seldom heard groups

5.9.1. National Grid wants to ensure that all our engagement and consultation is inclusive, and we want to reach those who otherwise may not engage with us. Hard-to-reach and seldom heard groups are defined as being inaccessible to most traditional and conventional methods of consultation for any reason.

5.9.2. To allow people to engage with the proposed Project and the consultation at their own convenience, we have taken a 'digital first' approach to consultation. This allows individuals and groups to take part even if they cannot make an event. The online webinar and Project website is open and accessible to anyone to attend and ask questions of the Project team. Information will be available on the website and people are encouraged to submit feedback using the online feedback questionnaire. Those engaging with the Project can also ask questions and find out more by contacting National Grid by using the contact details set out in **Section 6.1**.

5.9.3. For those less able or less comfortable engaging digitally, we have developed consultation 'in person' aspects to be as accessible as possible, with the focus on ensuring events are accessible and held over several days in different locations to encourage attendance. We will also seek to ensure there is adequate parking and venues are accessible via public transport.

5.9.4. Inspection points have also been identified based on their accessibility and availability for people wanting to access Project information.

5.9.5. We also recognise that some individuals or groups may have difficulty taking part in the consultation process for a range of reasons. We have identified several organisations representing hard to reach or seldom heard groups. These organisations will be written to, via email, at the start of consultation. Requests for specific additional consultation activities will be planned and agreed with the requesting organisation so that our activities best meet the needs of those it represents.

5.9.6. On request, we will also consider providing materials in alternative formats. We will endeavor to provide British Sign Language signing at one of our webinars.

5.9.7. Table 5.4 sets out how the proposed Project will seek to engage hard to reach/seldom heard groups during the consultation.

Table 5.4: Hard to reach and seldom heard group engagement tools

Group category	Methods to be used
Older people	• Directly mailing the Community Newsletter to all properties within the PCZ and providing details of how to access digital and paper copies of other documents and provide feedback by post if needed. • Options to submit feedback through conventional communications channels including by post and telephone if deemed necessary. • Face-to-face events at a variety of locations and times across the route. • Webinar events for people unable to attend in-person events. • Consideration of alternative formats on a case-by-case basis. • Engaging with community groups serving the demographic. • Providing paper copies of materials at inspection point locations along with contact details for the Project Team, who will be able to provide further assistance and send selected consultation documents to those who are unable to access the material online.
People with visual impairments	• On request, audio guide of consultation banners. • Consideration of alternative formats on a case-by-case basis. • Options to enlarge text on the Project's website.
People with limited mobility / disability	• Options to submit feedback through conventional communications channels including by post and telephone if deemed necessary. • Directly mailing the Community Newsletter to all properties within the PCZ and providing details of how to access digital and paper copies of other documents and provide feedback by post if needed. • Online engagement opportunities through the consultation website and webinars to negate the need for travel. • Consideration of alternative formats on a case-by-case basis. • Face-to-face public information events at a variety of locations and times with disabled access, across the route of the proposed Project. • Virtual webinar sessions for those with further questions, featuring a booking system which will take into consideration individual needs. • Endeavouring to provide a British Sign Language interpreter at one of our webinars.
Youth groups	• Online engagement and provision of the Project website. • Social media and newspaper advertising across the PCZ, SCZ and further afield. Face-to-face public information events at a variety of locations and times across the route of the proposed Project. • Contacting local centres of education to offer engagement opportunities. • Provision of a youth webinar forum during consultation.

Group category	Methods to be used
Carers and families with young children	• Directly mailing the Community Newsletter to all properties within the PCZ and providing details of how to access digital and paper copies of other documents and provide feedback by post if needed. • Options to engage through conventional and digital channels, to provide flexibility. • Face-to-face public information events and webinar sessions at a variety of locations and times across the route of the proposed Project. • Online engagement opportunities through the consultation website and webinars to negate the need for travel. • Social media and newspaper advertising across the PCZ, SCZ and further afield.
Economically inactive individuals	• Online engagement • Social media and newspaper advertising across the PCZ, SCZ and further afield. • Options to engage through conventional and digital channels, to provide flexibility.
Geographically isolated individuals or communities	• Directly mailing the Community Newsletter to all properties within the PCZ and providing details of how to access digital and paper copies of other documents and provide feedback by post if needed. • Face-to-face public information events and webinar sessions at a variety of locations and times across the route of the proposed Project. • Online engagement opportunities through the consultation website and webinars to negate the need for travel. • Social media and newspaper advertising across the PCZ, SCZ and further afield.
Locally under-represented minority ethnic groups (such as black, Asian and minority ethnicity)	• Emailing community groups representing under-represented minority ethnic groups to offer engagement opportunities.
English as a Second Language (ESL)	• Endeavouring to provide consultation materials in alternative languages upon reasonable request.
Travellers	• Contacting community groups representing travellers to offer engagement opportunities. • Social media and newspaper advertising across the PCZ, SCZ and further afield.
Digitally isolated	• Reaching out to community groups representing digitally isolated groups to offer engagement opportunities. • Directly mailing the Community Newsletter to all properties within the PCZ and providing details of how to access digital and paper copies of other documents and provide feedback by post if needed. • Advertisement of the consultation in traditional media such as local newspapers circulating in the PCZ, SCZ and further afield. • Providing paper copies of materials at inspection point locations along with contact details for the Project Team, who will be able to provide further assistance and send selected consultation documents to those who are unable to access the material online.

6. Responding to the consultation

6.1. Methods of responding

6.1.1. People will be able to submit their feedback in the following ways:

- Completing the feedback questionnaire online via the Project website: nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury
- Providing feedback by email (contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com) or in writing (FREEPOST N TO T).
- Completing a paper feedback questionnaire, which can be provided on request, at one of the designated inspection points, or completed in person at the face-to-face events. The questionnaire can be returned free-of-charge using the Freepost address: FREEPOST N TO T (please write this in capitals, you do not need a stamp).

6.1.2. Consultation responses received via any other method than those listed above, such as through social media, may not be formally recorded as part of the consultation.

6.1.3. Responses given orally, such as via telephone or in a meeting, may be considered in exceptional circumstances on a case-by-case basis where someone may not otherwise be able to respond to the consultation.

6.1.4. All responses must be received by 11:59pm on the final day of consultation.

6.1.5. All feedback will be handled in accordance with all applicable laws concerning the protection of personal data, including the UK General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

6.1.6. More information on how National Grid will use the information collected about respondents will be made available in the consultation feedback form and on the Project's website during the consultation period.

6.2. Presenting the results

6.2.1. Following the close of the consultation all feedback will be collated, reviewed and analysed to understand key themes and concerns. Our proposals will be reviewed and, where appropriate, refined in light of feedback.

6.2.2. The proposed DCO application will be finalised, taking into consideration the feedback received from the consultation in accordance with Section 49 of the Planning Act.

6.2.3. A Consultation Report will be produced as part of the application for a DCO, as required by Section 37(3)(c) of the Planning Act. The report will include a summary of the consultation process undertaken in accordance with this SoCC and will set out how the feedback from the consultation has shaped and influenced the proposals as submitted within the application for a DCO.

6.2.4. Responses to the consultation and extracts of responses may be published as part of the report. Any responses that are published will have all personal details redacted.

6.2.5. Upon receipt of an application for a DCO, the Planning Inspectorate will decide whether the application meets the required standards to proceed to examination and will determine whether the statutory consultation process has been adequate. As part of this process, local authorities will be invited to provide an adequacy of the consultation response to the Planning Inspectorate.

6.2.6. The Consultation Report will be available online, alongside other application documents, once an application for a DCO has been accepted. Paper copies will be available from the Project Team on request and may be subject to a charge to cover printing and postage fees.

6.3. Further consultation

6.3.1. If, following the statutory consultation, National Grid considers it is necessary to undertake further statutory consultation, this would be undertaken, so far as relevant, practicable and proportionate, in accordance with the principles and methods set out in this SoCC or any update to it.

6.4. Other developers' consultations

6.4.1. The Project team is aware that National Grid and other organisations are developing energy and network proposals in the area, including:

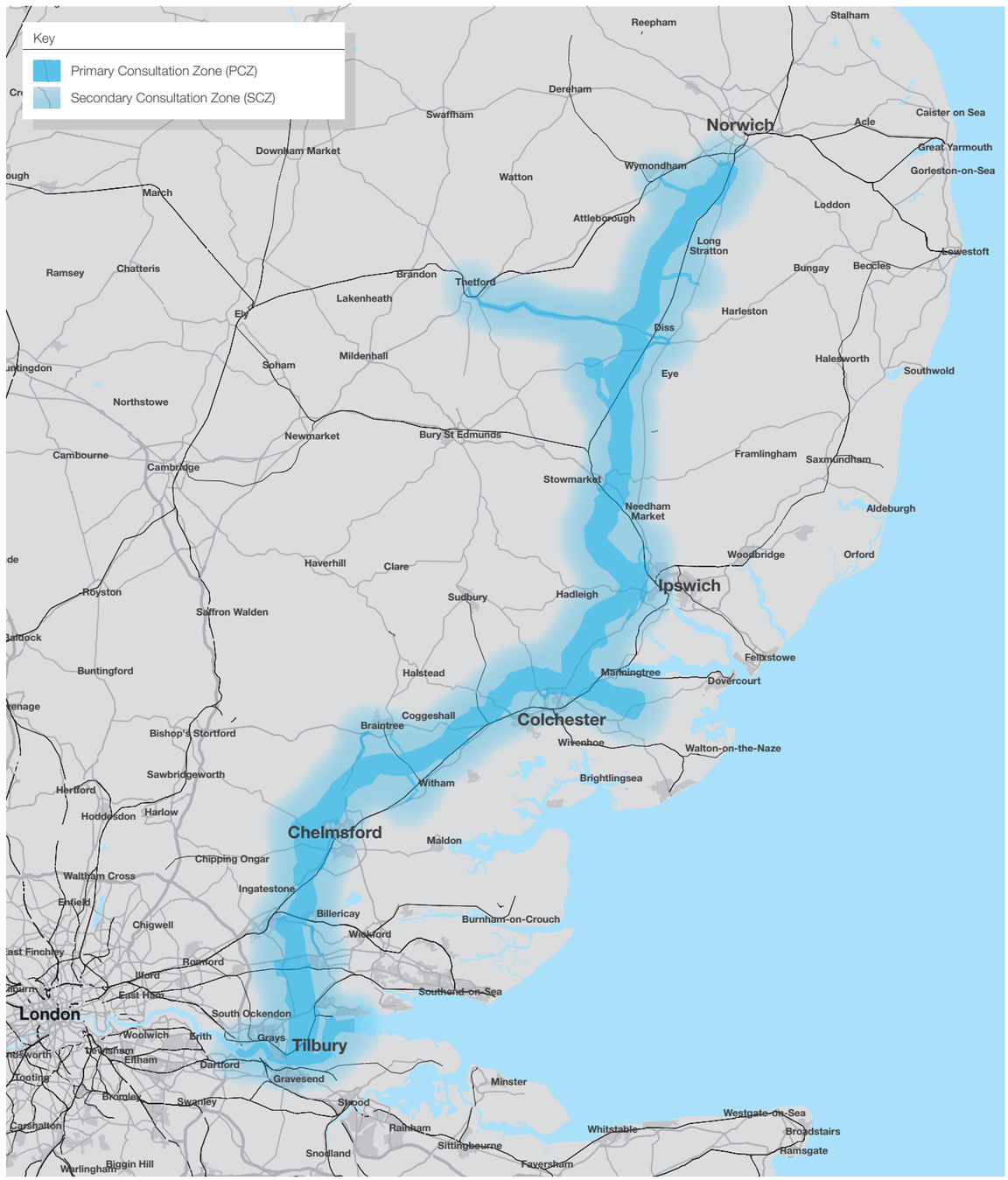
- National Grid's Bramford to Twinstead Reinforcements
- National Grid Ventures' LionLink (formerly known as EuroLink) and Nautilus interconnectors
- National Grid's Sea Link proposal
- National Grid's Grain to Tilbury proposal
- National Grid's Eastern Links 3 and 4 proposals
- National Grid's North Humber to High Marnham and Grimsby to Walpole proposals
- North Falls offshore wind farm
- Five Estuaries offshore wind farm
- Tarchon Interconnector.

6.4.2. National Grid will work to understand other local projects to ensure that the scope and context of this proposed Project is clear in relation to the other consultations. This could include:

- having headline information about the other consultations at our events
- seeking to avoid holding events or running advertisements and press releases on the same dates and times as other consultations, where appropriate
- ensuring that any responses submitted to our statutory consultation that are intended for another consultation are passed on to the relevant community relations or consultation team. However, should people have specific questions about other projects, they should engage directly with relevant project team(s) to ask questions and/or provide feedback.

Appendix C

Consultation zone for 2024 statutory consultation



Notes

Contact us

If you would like to contact the Community Relations team, please get in touch via:

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Appendix K5

Thurrock feedback on targeted statutory consultation strategy

Appendix K5.1

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Thanks again for your time recently to discuss the strategy for the upcoming targeted consultation on changes proposed to the Norwich To Tilbury connection project at Tilbury. As discussed, please find attached a draft targeted consultation strategy for comment.

As mentioned on the call, the judgement the project team reached to undertake this particular targeted consultation as a statutory community consultation, was based on the potential that it might affect residents and/or communities that lie outside the primary consultation zone used during the route-wide statutory consultation in 2024. Albeit, these communities will be affected by temporary works such as the primary access route and/or reconductoring the existing line.

In all targeted consultations, consultation under s42 has or will be undertaken with the relevant prescribed consultees and people with an interest in the land, and due regard will be given to all consultation feedback, regardless of the 'type' of consultation undertaken.

Two things we discussed when we met were the consultation zone and the time period. I have attached the draft consultation zone, you'll see that we have taken a proportionate approach based on the works proposed - this is 1km from the proposed substation and permanent adjustment to the existing overhead line alignment, and 250m from the temporary works including replacing the conductors on the existing lines and the primary access routes to site.

In terms of the time period, the consultation will be open for 30 days - this is consistent with the other targeted consultations held in January and February 2025 and we consider it to be proportionate to the level of change being proposed, particularly in the vicinity of the proposed substation where communities have been consulted on three previous occasions in 2022, 2023 and 2024.

Apologies for asking for a quick turnaround, but would you able to return any comments by close of play next Tuesday (11th March)? Broadly the content is similar to the previous targeted non-statutory consultation you have reviewed previously.

[redacted]lly we are working hard towards a launch day of Tuesday 18th March, but will keep you up to date and [redacted]m will also be in touch to arrange members briefings at launch.

Any questions please do get in touch, and we're happy to jump on a call to chat anything through.

Kind regards,

[redacted]

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Appendix K5.2

Response received

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Tue 11 Mar at 14:00
H[redacted]'m interviewing today but re the material, no comments from us
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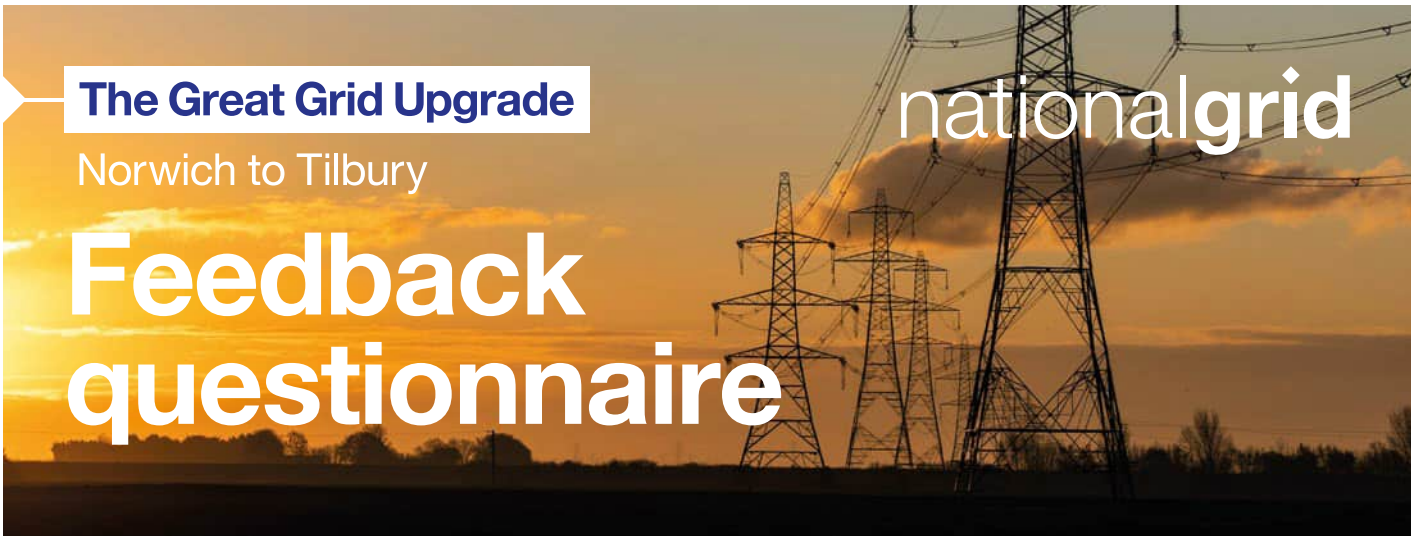
Appendix K6

Questionnaire



The Great Grid Upgrade

Norwich to Tilbury

Feedback questionnaire

nationalgrid

Norwich to Tilbury is a proposal for a new electricity transmission connection. It will play an important part in achieving the government's targets to increase offshore wind energy to over 50 GW by 2030 and helping the UK move towards net zero.

From 10 April – 26 July 2024, we held a public consultation, inviting local communities to share their views on our proposals.

Since then, we have been carefully reviewing all the feedback we received during statutory consultation as well as considering the findings of environmental surveys. This has identified some places where there is potential to make a change to the proposals we published during that statutory consultation.

Before we make any decisions, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes near to them. We are consulting and would welcome your feedback.

You can provide feedback in the following ways:

Email us:
contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com

Write to us (no stamp required):
FREEPOST N TO T

Complete an online feedback questionnaire:
nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tibury

We will review all feedback received as we refine our proposals ahead of submitting an application for a DCO to the Planning Inspectorate later this year.

Please submit your response to this consultation by the deadline specified in the accompanying letter.

About you:

Name:

Organisation/Group (if applicable):

Address:

Postcode:

Email address:

☐ Please tick here if you would like to be updated on our proposals via email.

Q1. How would you describe your interest in Norwich to Tilbury?

☐ Local resident

☐ Local representative (e.g. Councillor, MP)

☐ Potentially affected landowner or tenant/ occupier (please include your landowner reference number if known)

☐ Local business owner

☐ Regular visitor

☐ Local interest group member (please specify in the text box below)

☐ Statutory organisation (please specify in the text box below)

☐ Other (please specify in the text box below)

Q2. Which change are you providing feedback on – please provide the location reference.

Please enter the location reference you are providing feedback on.
This is available at the top of each section map in our targeted consultation leaflet and on the website, which you can find here: **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**. If you have received this form in the post, the location reference will also be printed on the letter.

If you don't have the location reference, please leave this section blank.

Q3. Do you have any comments about the change or any other features or factors we should consider in this location?

Equality and diversity

National Grid would be grateful if you could answer the following inclusion and diversity questions. We will use the information we receive to help understand whether our consultation has been useful to people of different backgrounds and requirements.

We may publish a summary of the results, but no information about an individual would be revealed. The answers you provide to this question are defined as 'special category data'. If you agree to provide inclusion and diversity information, you can withdraw your permission at any time.

To withdraw your details, please contact us via email at **contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com**.

If you wish to receive consultation documents in paper copy, or in another format, please send us a request using the details provided within this response form and National Grid will organise for relevant materials to be issued.

Q4. What is your gender?

- ☐ Male
- ☐ Female
- ☐ Non-binary
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Q5. Do you consider yourself a person with a disability?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Q6. How would you describe your ethnic background?

- ☐ White English, Welsh, Scottish, Northern Irish or British
- ☐ Irish
- ☐ Gypsy or Irish Traveller
- ☐ Any other White background
- ☐ Mixed or Multiple ethnic groups
- ☐ White and Black Caribbean
- ☐ White and Black African
- ☐ White and Asian
- ☐ Any other Mixed or Multiple ethnic background (please state)

  _____
- ☐ Asian or Asian British
- ☐ Indian
- ☐ Pakistani
- ☐ Bangladeshi
- ☐ Chinese
- ☐ Any other Asian background
- ☐ Black, African, Caribbean or Black British
- ☐ African
- ☐ Caribbean
- ☐ Any other Black, African or Caribbean background (please state)

  _____
- ☐ Arab
- ☐ Any other ethnic group (please state)

  _____
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Q7. What is your age?

- ☐ Under 16
- ☐ 16-24
- ☐ 25-34
- ☐ 35-44
- ☐ 45-54
- ☐ 55-64
- ☐ 65+
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Data privacy notice

National Grid is committed to protecting your personal information.

Whenever you provide such information, we are legally obliged to use it in line with all applicable laws concerning the protection of personal data, including the UK General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

How will National Grid use the information we collect about you?

We will use your personal data collected via this consultation for a number of purposes, including:

- to analyse your feedback to the consultation
- to produce a Consultation Report, based on our analysis of responses (individuals will not be identified in the report)
- to write to you with updates about the results of the consultation and other developments
- to keep up-to-date records of our communications with individuals and organisations.

Any personal information you include in this form will be handled and used by (or made available to) the following recipients to record, analyse and report on the feedback we receive:

- National Grid
- the Planning Inspectorate (which will administer our application for consent to build the project – any details published as part of this process will be anonymised)
- the Secretary of State (who will take the decision on our application)
- our legal advisers
- consultants working on the project.

What rights do I have over my personal data?

Under the terms of the UK GDPR you have certain rights over how your personal data is retained and used by National Grid. For more information, see our full data privacy statement: **nationalgrid.com/privacy-policy**

Contact us

Email us:
contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com

Visit our website at:
nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury

Call our freephone number (between 9am and 5:30pm):
0800 915 2497

If you would like to contact the community relations team, please get in touch via:

0800 915 2497
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contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com
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Appendix K7

Project updates

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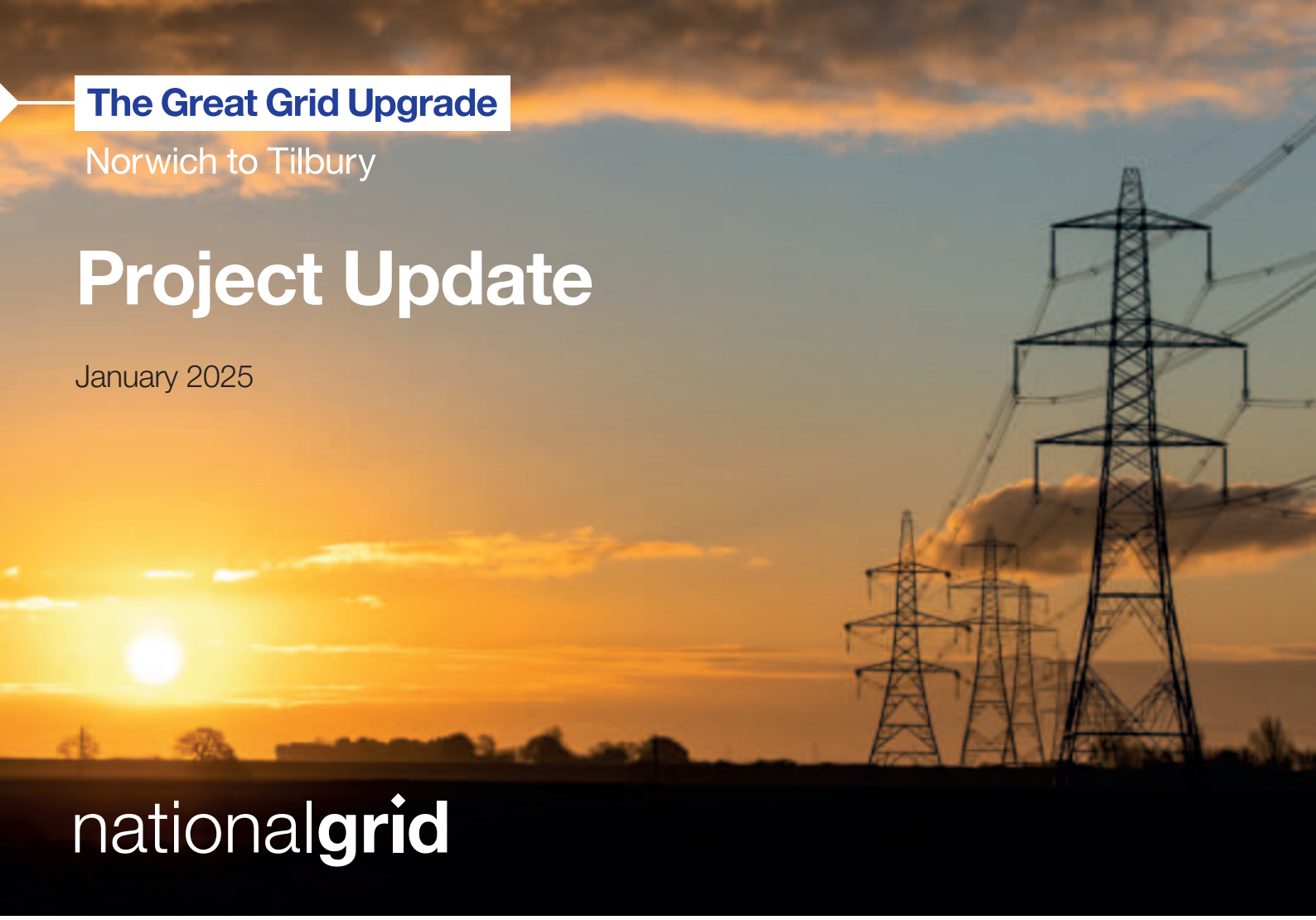
January 2025 Project Update



The Great Grid Upgrade

Norwich to Tilbury

Project Update

January 2025

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Norwich to Tilbury is a proposal for a new electricity transmission connection. It will play an important part in connecting low carbon, more affordable electricity from where it is generated to where it is needed.

Targeted consultation on changes in Norfolk and Suffolk – 12 noon Thursday 30 January until 11:59 pm Monday 3 March 2025

We're holding a series of targeted consultations on some potential changes to the proposals we published at our statutory consultation in summer 2024.

Most of these changes have been identified from feedback we've received. Before we make any decisions, we are going back to consult with those people living near these proposed changes.

We are phasing the consultations starting with locations in Norfolk and Suffolk from Thursday 30 January until Monday 3 March 2025 and will follow up next month with locations in Essex and Thurrock. Each consultation will be open for 30 days.

Providing feedback

While these are local, targeted non-statutory consultations anyone can take part, and all our targeted consultations materials are available on our **project website**.

Please let us know which location you're providing feedback on when submitting comments. Each location has a reference name, which is available in the documentation in our project library **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**

You can take part either by emailing us, writing to us using our Freepost address or via the online questionnaire.

Email – **contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com**

Freepost – **FREEPOST N TO T**

Online feedback questionnaire – **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**??

The consultation on this change is open from **12:00 noon 30 January until 11:59 pm 3 March 2025**.

We will review all the feedback we receive and carefully consider it as we refine our proposals, ahead of submitting an application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) later this year.

Webinars

We're holding three webinars via Microsoft Teams to give people an opportunity to ask the project team question. You can sign up for a webinar on our website – **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**

Norfolk – 11 February 2025 at 6:00 pm

Norfolk and Suffolk – 12 February 2025 at 12 noon

Suffolk – 13 February 2025 at 6:00 pm

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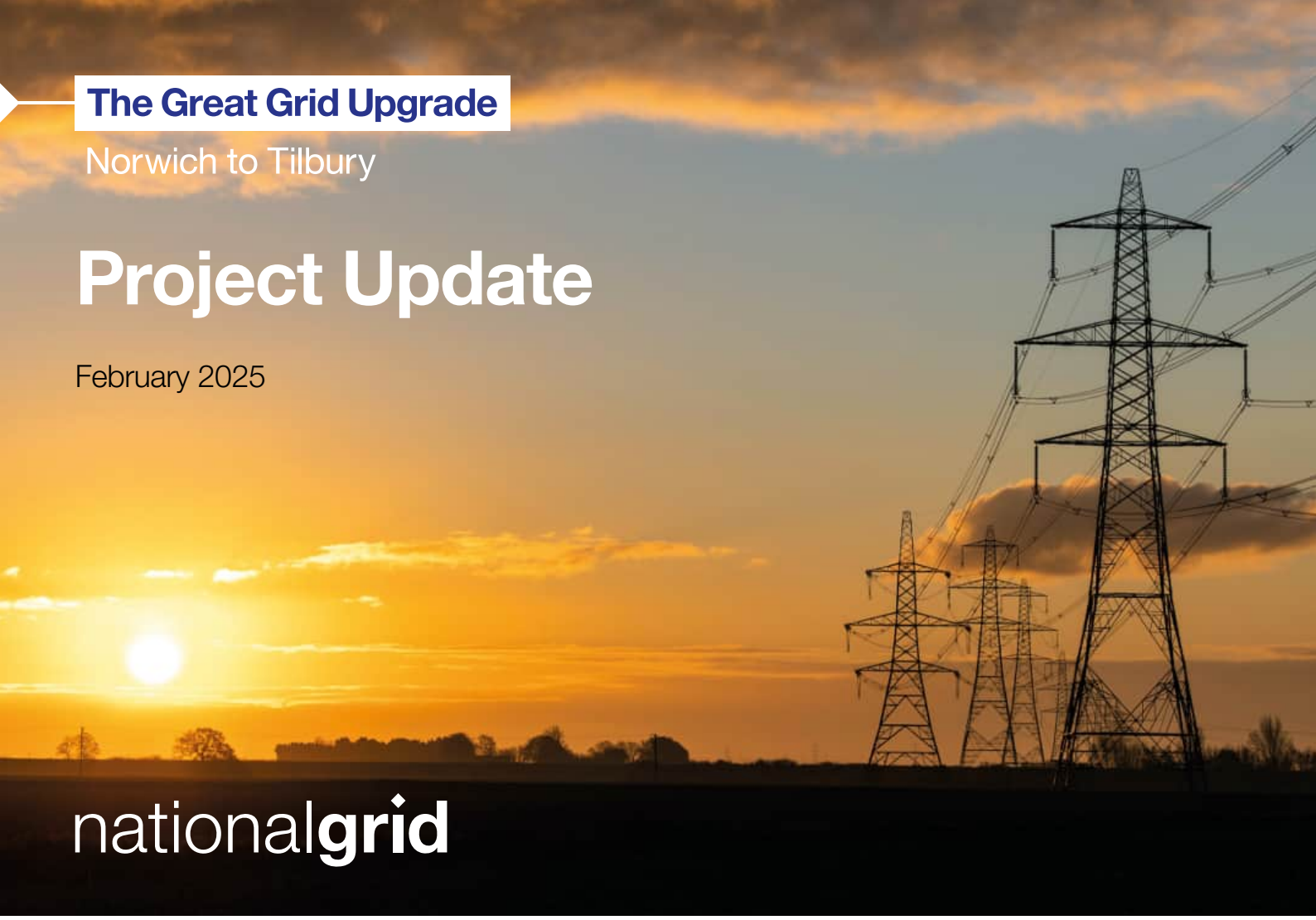
February 2025 Project Update



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Norwich to Tilbury

Project Update

February 2025

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Norwich to Tilbury is a proposal for a new electricity transmission connection. It will play an important part in connecting low carbon, more affordable electricity from where it is generated to where it is needed.

Targeted consultations open for proposed changes in Essex and Thurrock

We're holding a series of targeted consultations on some potential changes to the proposals we published a tour statutory consultation in summer 2024.

Most of these changes have been identified from feedback we've received. Before we make any decisions, we are going back to consult with those people living near these proposed changes.

We are phasing the consultations which started in January with locations in Norfolk and Suffolk. We are now holding targeted consultations on proposed changes at locations in Essex and Thurrock starting on **Tuesday 25 February and closing on 11:59 pm on Thursday 27 March 2025.**

Providing feedback

While these are local, targeted non-statutory consultations anyone can take part, and all our targeted consultations materials are available on our **project website**.

Please let us know which location you're providing feedback on when submitting comments. Each location has a reference name, which is available in the documentation in our **Project Library**

You can take part either by emailing us, writing to us using our Freepost address or via the **online questionnaire**.

Email – **contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com**

Freepost – **FREEPOST N TO T**

Online feedback questionnaire – **Click here**

Deadlines for feedback

The deadline for feedback on proposed changes in Norfolk and Suffolk is 11:59 pm on Monday 3 March 2025.

The deadline for feedback on proposed changes in Essex and Thurrock is 11:59 pm on Thursday 27March 2025.

We will review all the feedback we receive and carefully consider it as we refine our proposals, ahead of submitting an application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) later this year.

Webinars

We're holding three webinars via Microsoft Teams to give people an opportunity to ask the project team questions.

You can sign up for a webinar on our website – **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**

Essex – 17 March 2025 at 6:00 pm

Essex and Thurrock – 18 March 2025 at 12 noon

Thurrock – 18 March 2025 6:00 pm

You can **view recordings** of webinars which focused on proposed changes in Norfolk and Suffolk on our **project website**.

Further targeted consultations

We expect to hold a further targeted consultation on a change to the substation connection at Tilbury. We will write to local residents and community representatives with more information next month.

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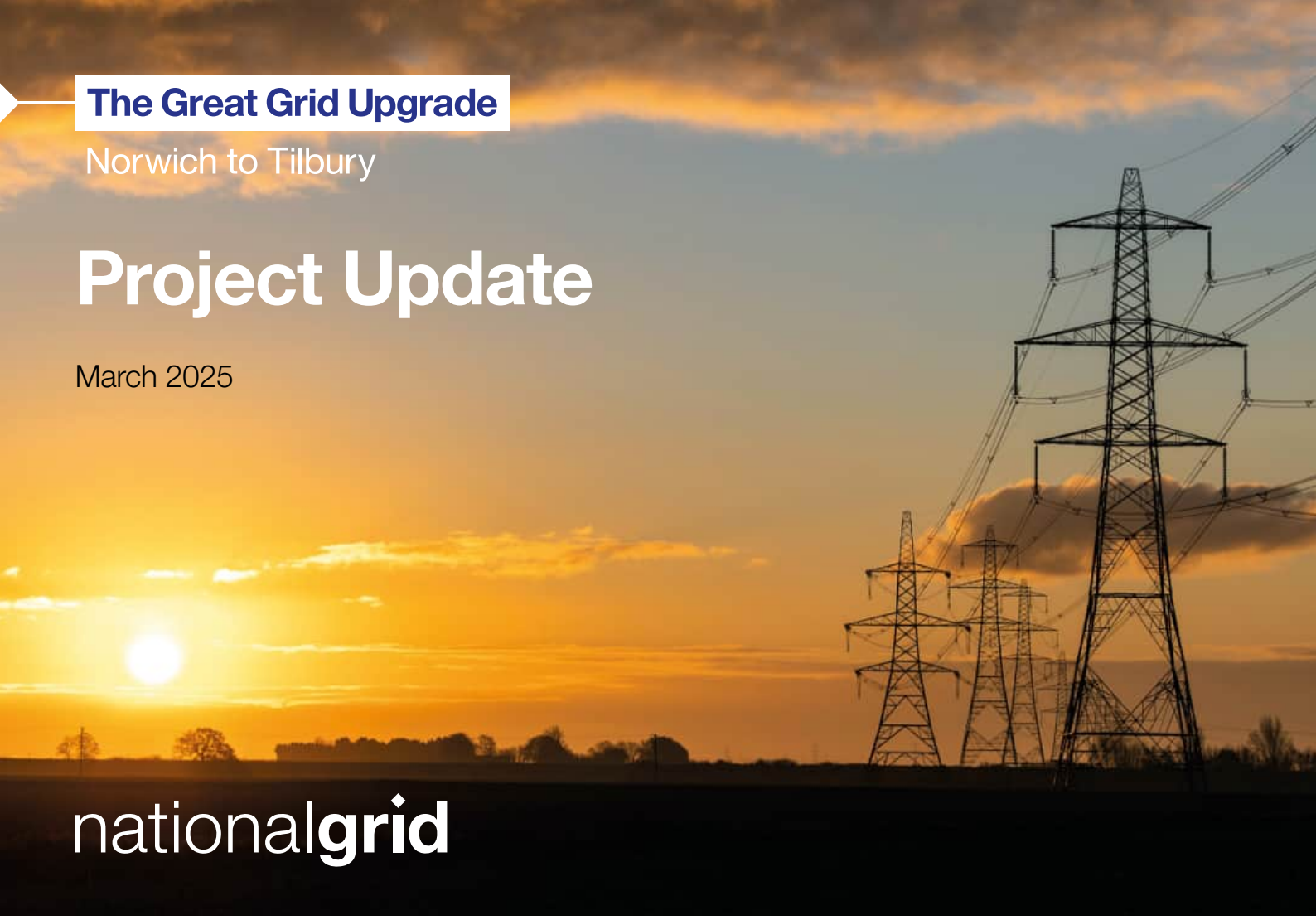
March 2025 Project Update



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Norwich to Tilbury

Project Update

March 2025

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Norwich to Tilbury is a proposal for a new electricity transmission connection. It will play an important part in connecting low carbon, more affordable electricity from where it is generated to where it is needed.

Targeted statutory consultation opens on Thurrock 3 – proposed changes to connection at Tilbury

We're consulting on some proposed changes to the connection at Tilbury. The consultation starts on **Tuesday18 March and closes at 11:59 pm on Thursday 17 April 2025**.

This is one of a series of targeted consultations on some potential changes to the proposals we published a tour statutory consultation in summer 2024.

Most of these changes have been identified from feedback we've received. Before we make any decisions,we want to consult local residents and community representatives.

For more information on the targeted consultations please visit our **project website**.

Taking part in our consultation

We have written to local residents near to the proposed changes at Tilbury to invite them to take part in the consultation – and it is open to everyone. All the information about the changes and how to take part is available on our **project website**.

Please let us know which location you're providing feedback on when submitting comments. Each location has a reference name, which is available in the documentation in our **project library**.

You can take part either by emailing us, writing to us using our Freepost address or via the **online questionnaire**.

Providing feedback

While this is a local, targeted statutory consultation anyone can take part, and all our targeted consultations materials are available on our **project website**.

Please let us know which location you're providing feedback on when submitting comments. Each location has a reference name, which is available in the documentation in our **project library**.

You can take part either by emailing us, writing to us using our Freepost address or via the **online questionnaire**.

Email – **contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com**

Freepost – **FREEPOST N TO T**

Online feedback questionnaire – **Click here**

Deadlines for feedback

The deadline for feedback on proposed changes to connection at Tilbury is 11:59pm Thursday 17 April.

We will review all the feedback we receive and carefully consider it as we refine our proposals, ahead of submitting an application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) later this year.

Attend an in-person event

We're holding two public information events to give local residents the opportunity to view our proposals, speak to members of the Project team and find out more.

Date and time	Venue
Tuesday 25 March 2025 10:30am-3:30pm	Chadwell St Mary Village Hall, Waterson Rd, Grays RM16 4NX
Thursday 27 March 2025 11:30am-4:30pm	West Tilbury Village Hall, Rectory Rd, West Tilbury RM18 8UD

Attend a webinar

We're holding two webinars on Thurrock 3 via Microsoft Teams to give people an opportunity to ask the project team questions.

You can sign up for a webinar by clicking on one of the links below:

Wednesday 2 April 2025 at 6:00pm

Tuesday 8 April 2025 at 12 noon.

Appendix K8

Compliance with the Targeted Consultation Strategies

Appendix K8.1

Compliance with the community 'Targeted Consultation Strategy' document

Compliance with the Community 'Targeted Consultation Strategy' Document

Table 1-1 outlines how the targeted non-statutory community consultations were undertaken in accordance with the commitments outlined in the Targeted Consultation Strategy document.

Table 1-1 How the Targeted Non-statutory Community Consultations were Undertaken in Accordance with the Targeted Consultation Strategy Document

Commitment made in Strategy	Compliance with commitment
The consultations will be open for 30 days.	Each of our targeted consultations were open for at least 30 days: • Our first phase of targeted non-statutory consultations covering Norfolk and Suffolk opened at noon on Monday 30 January 2025 and closed at 11:59pm on Monday 3 March • Our second phase of targeted non-statutory consultations covering Essex and Thurrock opened at noon on Tuesday 25 February and closed at 11:59pm on Thursday 27 March.
We will write to stakeholders to notify them of detailed timings and provide information on locations where we are consulting on proposed changes.	On the day each targeted non-statutory community consultation opened (30 January and 25 February), National Grid emailed MPs, county and district councillors, parish councils, prescribed consultees, and other interest and community groups. Those emails contained details of the consultations and directed where to find the locations of changes. The emails to MPs included the relevant consultation leaflets for changes within their constituency.
Dates and locations will also be published on the project website.	The dates of the consultations were published on the project website when the consultations were launched. Details of the proposed change locations were also published, along with the consultation leaflets and environmental implications of change documents. They remain available on the Project website.
We will send a letter to each property within the relevant consultation zone setting out information on the targeted consultation and inviting them to provide feedback. Residents will also receive a leaflet that explains what we are proposing in their area and why, a map showing the proposed change in their area	National Grid sent a pack of consultation information to the properties and landowners within the relevant consultation zones. This included: a letter which provided information on the targeted consultations, invited them to provide feedback, and provided contact details, ways to provide feedback, and how to join the public webinars. The pack also included the EIC

(as well as what had been previously presented at statutory consultation where applicable), how people can take part and provide feedback, an Environmental Implication of Change document setting out appropriate and proportionate environmental information on the implications of the proposed change, and a feedback questionnaire and a freepost envelope.	document, a feedback questionnaire and freepost envelope.
We will seek to raise awareness of the project and public consultation with stakeholders and the public more broadly, including by: • Notifying the local and regional media via press release	National Grid issued a press release to local media at the launch of each round of consultation.
• Notifying the local parish / parish council, and offering a briefing via teams	National Grid sent an email to host parish councils (parish councils in Norfolk and Suffolk on 30 January and councils in Essex on 25 February) informing them of the beginning of consultation and inviting them to a briefing via Teams.
• Publishing full details of the targeted consultations on the project website	Full details of the targeted consultation, including timings, descriptions of the proposed changes, and the consultation documents, were published on the Project website.
• Notifying our contact database via our regular project update e-mail newsletter	At each round of the targeted consultations, National Grid issued a project update announcing the launch of consultations to those who had registered to keep in touch.
• Providing contact information for the community relations team widely within materials posted within the consultation zones, to local authorities and parish councils	Contact information for the community relations team was included in the emails which were sent to parish councils, local authorities, and other stakeholders. The contact details were also included in the letter, consultation leaflet, and feedback questionnaire which were posted within the consultation zones and were available online.
• Running an advert in local media titles on/following consultation launch	On 30 January advertisements were placed in the following newspapers announcing the Norfolk and Suffolk targeted consultations: • Eastern Daily Press; and • East Anglian Daily Times. On 25 February advertisements were placed in the following newspapers announcing the Essex and Thurrock targeted consultations: • Eastern Daily Press; and • East Anglian Daily Times.
• Notifying hard to reach groups as identified within the SoCC	National Grid issued notifications of the launch of consultations to their non-prescribed stakeholder database.

We will notify parish clerks where any proposed changes fall within their parish boundary and set out all the proposed changes within their parish. The parish councils will be invited to provide feedback on changes within their area.	National Grid sent an email to host parish councils (parish councils in Norfolk and Suffolk on 30 January and councils in Essex on 25 February) informing them of the beginning of the consultations and inviting their feedback.
The parish councillors will also be invited to attend digital briefings, to be held by county	National Grid sent an email to host parish councils (parish councils in Norfolk and Suffolk on 30 January and councils in Essex on 25 February) informing them of the beginning of the consultation and inviting them to a briefing via Teams. Three briefings took place with parish councils, as follows: • Norfolk - 6 February 2025; • Suffolk – 6 February 2025; and • Essex – 6 March 2025.
We will offer briefings, either online or in-person, to provide information about the targeted consultation and respond to any questions for stakeholders including • Members of Parliament where the location of proposed changes falls into all or part of their constituencies.	MPs with changes in their constituency were contacted at the beginning of the consultations to invite them to a briefing. Briefings were held online and in-person.
• Elected representatives where the location of proposed changes falls into all or part of their ward. Briefings will be carried out via Teams.	At the launch of the consultations, National Grid contacted the local councils to invite their officers and ward councillors to briefings, which were organised with the councils and held via Teams.
We will hold public webinars for residents living near to the proposed changes along the route of the project. People will be able to sign up via the website. We will tailor the webinars to cover the proposed changes on a county-by-county basis. The sessions will also include time for questions and answers.	National Grid held six public webinars for residents via Teams. Members of the public were able to sign up via the email. The webinar covering changes in Norfolk was held on 11 February 2025 at 6:00 pm, for Norfolk and Suffolk on 12 February at 12 noon, Suffolk on 13 February at 6:00 pm, Essex on 17 March at 6:00 pm, Essex and Thurrock on 18 March at 12 noon, and Thurrock on 18 March 2025 at 6:00 pm.
Each webinar presentation will be recorded and made available on the project website for playback by those who cannot attend the webinar sessions.	The public webinars were recorded and uploaded to the document library of the Project website.
We will make all consultation documents available on the project website, including: • a consultation leaflet for each location, including maps and potential environmental implications • an Environmental Implications of Change document • a downloadable feedback questionnaire • an online feedback questionnaire	All the consultation documents, including the consultation leaflets, EICs, feedback questionnaire (hardcopy and online), and contact details were uploaded to the Project website. They remain available in the document library on the Project website.

• contact details.	
Our project website is where all information relating to these targeted consultations and all previous consultations is located. The website will be updated to include all relevant information for the targeted consultation.	The Project website was updated when the consultations launched to include all the information relating to the targeted consultations.
Maps showing the proposed changes we are consulting on will be made available in the document library. We are not updating the interactive project map at this time, but it will remain available and include an explanation of what the map is showing and where the latest proposals can be viewed.	The consultation leaflets which were uploaded to the document library included maps showing the proposed change and the proposals presented at statutory consultation in 2024. The interactive map showing the proposals consulted on in 2024 remained on the website, with a note that this showed the 2024 preferred draft alignment and directed people to information on the proposed changes.
If people need consultation materials presented in different formats, we will consider this on request.	These were no requests received for materials in different formats.
Project website document library with access to the information • The library is our 'go to' deposit location for all project information. All information relating to the targeted consultations will be uploaded here. This includes the consultation leaflets being sent out to properties in the consultation zones. • People will also be able to continue to access information related to all previous consultations and interim updates and milestones via this library	The document library on the Project website was updated to include all the documents related to the targeted consultations, including the non-statutory targeted consultation strategy, consultation leaflets, EICs, feedback questionnaire, and a map showing the location of the changes on the route map. All the information related to the previous consultations and previous Project updates remained available in the document library.
Consultation pages to display all relevant information and material being presented for consultation • The location of each proposed change we are consulting on will be laid out in 'accordion' format on the consultation pages so people can navigate to the section and proposed change they are interested in. • Information will be laid out in a simple, visual and interactive format, with pointers and instructions throughout to aid easy navigation. This includes a link to the online feedback questionnaire. • We will also provide links and registration instructions for the public webinars we are holding.	The Project website was updated to include a page on the targeted consultations. This presented the location of each change using an 'accordion' change to allow people to find the section and proposed change they were looking for. The information was laid out simply, with instructions and links to relevant information. There was also a link to the online feedback questionnaire. The page also provided links and instructions for how to register for public webinars.
Environmental Implications of Change (EIC) document • For each location we are consulting on, we will develop and publish an	National Grid produced and published an EIC for each proposed change consulted on. These set out proportionate and appropriate information as stated in the strategy. The

Environmental Implications of Change (EIC) document. This will set out proportionate and appropriate information on the environmental implications of the proposed change in each location and how that may or may not differ to those effects laid out with the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR).	relevant EIC was included in each pack of consultation materials sent out to the consultation zones and were uploaded to the consultation page and document library on the Project website.
FAQs	The FAQs were updated to address questions relating to the targeted consultations.
Project update section • This section allows members of the public to stay updated on the project and provides an easily accessible place for all recent updates to be hosted.	The Project update section of the document library hosts all the project updates for easy reference.
Project contact details • This includes telephone, email and freepost details for the public to get in contact and request further details or ask questions.	The Project contact details remained available on the Project website.
Feedback questionnaire • The online questionnaire will enable members of the public to provide their feedback easily for each location and submit to the project team. The document can also be downloaded from the website and returned by email or printed and sent back via Freepost. Paper copies will also be posted on request.	An online feedback questionnaire was available on the Project website for the submission of feedback. A PDF copy of the questionnaire was also uploaded to the document library which could be downloaded and returned via email or Freepost. Paper copies of the feedback questionnaire were posted when requested by phone or email.
GDPR (Legal statement) • All personal data will be held in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) (EU) 2016/679 and personal data will not be transferred outside of the European Economic Area or used for purposes other than those outlined. The website will be made accessible for all users through the provision of audio guides, videos, other visual material and the ability to request translation. You can find more information about our privacy policy on our website here.	Complied with
Each location has been given a reference name and number and we will ask people to quote this when providing feedback. This will enable us to consider their feedback in relation to the specific location of the proposed change(s). Reference names and numbers will be identified in the consultation leaflets sent to addresses in the	Each proposed change had a reference number and name (for example Norfolk 1). This reference was included in the letter, consultation leaflet, and EIC for each proposed change. The project website also included the reference name and number on the consultation page and in the document library. The website was later updated to include a nearby settlement name for

consultation zones and in relevant sections on the project website.	each location (eg. Norfolk 1 – Swardeston), and a map which included the same.
We will review and consider all the feedback we receive following the close of the targeted consultations and this will be used to continue to inform the development and refinement of our proposals alongside further assessment and survey work.	All feedback received from the targeted consultations is currently being considered. Any changes made to the Project as a result of consultation feedback and engagement with PILs will be detailed in the Consultation Report which will be submitted as part of the Application.
All the feedback we receive will be responded to in our Consultation Report, which will form part of our DCO application.	All feedback received from the targeted consultations will be responded to in the Consultation Report, which will be submitted as part of the Application.
We may carry out further targeted consultation either with communities or landowners following feedback and our ongoing studies on a non-statutory or statutory basis. Where this is the case, we will carry out consultation so far as is relevant, practicable and proportionate in accordance with the principles and methods which are set out in this strategy and the SoCC as well as the requirements of the Planning Act 2008 and relevant guidance.	Any further targeted consultations will be carried out so far as is relevant, practicable and proportionate in accordance with the principles and methods which are set out in this strategy and the SoCC as well as the requirements of the Planning Act 2008 and relevant guidance.

Appendix K8.2

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Table 1-2 outlines how the targeted statutory consultation was undertaken in accordance with the commitments outlined in the Targeted Statutory Consultation Strategy document.

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We will write to residents within a 1 km consultation zone of the proposed new substation location, permanent assets and changes to the overhead lines, 250 m from the proposed order limits for the modifications to the existing overhead lines, and 250 m from primary access routes. Where appropriate, the consultation zone has been extended to include whole streets rather than dissecting neighbourhoods.	The consultation zone was drawn to include properties within 1 km of the proposed new substation, permanent assets, and changes to the overhead line. It also included 250 m from the proposed order limits for the modifications to the existing overhead lines, and 250 m from the primary access routes. The zone was extended where appropriate to include additional properties and streets.
The consultation will be open for 30 days.	The targeted statutory consultation ran for 30 days, opening on 18 March 2025 and closing on 17 April 2025.
We will write to stakeholders to notify them of detailed timings, along with information on the locations where we are consulting on proposed changes.	At the launch of the targeted statutory consultation on 18 March, National Grid contacted the relevant stakeholders for the local area to share details of timings and proposed changes. This included councillors at parish, district, and county level alongside MPs.
Dates and how to take part will also be published on the project website.	At the launch of the targeted statutory consultation on 18 March, all the relevant information was available on the Project website, including dates of the consultation and information for how to leave feedback.
We will send a letter to each property that falls within the consultation zone setting out information on the targeted statutory consultation and inviting the recipient to provide feedback. Residents will also receive a consultation leaflet that explains what we are now proposing in their area and why, a map showing the proposed change in their area (as well as what had been previously presented at statutory consultation in summer 2024 where applicable), how people can take part and provide feedback, and a feedback questionnaire and a freepost envelope.	Properties within the consultation zone received a pack of information, including a letter providing information about the targeted statutory consultation and how to take part and provide feedback, a leaflet explaining the proposed change with included maps and information on providing feedback, and a feedback questionnaire and freepost envelope.
More information including a Consultation Summary Document, Design Development Report and Environmental Implication of Change document will be available on the project website and at the public information events.	The Consultation Summary Document, Design Development Report, and Environmental Implications of Change (EIC) document are available in the document library on the Project website. They were also available at the public information events.

We will seek to raise awareness of the project and public consultation with stakeholders and the public more broadly, including by: • publishing full details of the targeted consultation on the project website	On 18 March the Project website was updated to include the full details of the targeted statutory consultation.
• notifying our contact database via our regular project update e-mail newsletter	At the launch of targeted statutory consultation on 18 March a Project update email newsletter was sent to the contact database informing them of the details of the consultation. A copy of the project update was also uploaded to the Project website.
• providing contact information for the community relations team widely within materials posted within the consultation zones and to local authorities	The letter, consultation leaflet, and feedback questionnaire contained contact information for the community relations team, including the freepost address (FREEPOST N TO T), the phoneline (0800 915 2497), and the project inbox (contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com). These were posted to properties within the consultation zone and to local authorities.
• running an advert in local media titles on/following consultation launch	Advertisements were placed in the following newspapers: • Eastern Daily Press on 18 March; • East Anglian Daily Times on 18 March; and • Essex Chronicle on 20 March.
• notifying hard to reach groups as identified within the SoCC	Hard-to-reach groups were contacted on 18 March informing them of the consultation and providing information on how to take part and provide feedback.
• publishing statutory notices in locally circulating newspapers.	The s47 notice was published in the following newspapers: • East Anglian Daily Times on 18 March and 25 March; • Eastern Daily Press on 18 March and 25 March; and • Essex Chronicle on 20 March and 27 March.
We will also publicise the consultation in locally circulating newspapers.	National Grid published the s47 notice in the East Anglian Daily Times, Eastern Daily Press, and Essex Chronicle as listed in the above.
We will offer briefings, either online or in-person, to provide information about the targeted consultation and respond to any questions for stakeholders including: • Members of Parliament where the location of proposed changes falls into all or part of their constituencies.	The relevant MPs (Jen Craft MP and James McMurdock MP) were contacted in advance of the targeted consultations. An online briefing was held with James McMurdock on 14 March, which provided information on the targeted consultations and provided an opportunity for questions. When the consultations launched, a briefing with Jen Craft MP was also offered.

• Elected representatives where the location of proposed changes falls into all or part of their ward. Briefings will be carried out via Teams.	In advance of the start of consultation, Thurrock Council were contacted to offer a briefing to councillors. The meeting was held on 17 March for members of the council and ward councillors to receive information about the consultation and provide an opportunity for questions.
We will hold two public webinars for residents living near to the proposed changes. People will be able to sign up via the website. The session will also include time for questions and answers.	National Grid held two public webinars for residents on 2 April 2025 at 6pm and 8 April 2025 at 12 noon. People could sign up using a link on the website. After the presentation, there was time for questions and answers using the chat and q&a functions on Teams.
A recording of the webinars will be made available on the project website for playback by those who cannot attend the webinar session.	Recording of the webinars were uploaded to the Project website.
We will hold two public information events for the local community to find out information about the proposals and the consultation and talk to representatives from the project team. • The event will be held at a suitable, publicly accessible venue that is within or near to the PCZ. • Details of where and when the public information event will be held will be published on the project website and in materials sent to local residents.	Two public information events were held on 25 March 2025 at Chadwell St Mary Village Hall and on 27 March 2025 at West Tilbury Village Hall. Chadwell St Mary Village Hall is within the consultation zone and West Tilbury Village Hall is very near the consultation zone. Details of the locations and timings of the public information event were published on the Project website and in the letter and consultation leaflet sent to local residents.
Should any events (in person or webinars) need to be altered or cancelled for any reason, the most appropriate mitigation would be identified on a case-by-case basis in consultation in consultation with the relevant Local Planning Authority.	No in person events or webinars were cancelled.
We will make all consultation documents available on the project website and at an inspection point, including: • a consultation leaflet • a Consultation Summary Document, including maps • Environmental implications of Change (EIC) document • a downloadable feedback questionnaire • an online feedback questionnaire • contact details.	All the consultation materials were made available in the document library on our Project website, and on the public consultation page of our Project website. This included the consultation leaflet, consultation summary document, EIC, online feedback questionnaire, contact details, and a downloadable feedback questionnaire. A copy of all the consultation materials were also sent to the inspection points.
In addition to the consultation materials being available online, we will seek to ensure that the consultation leaflet, Consultation Summary Document, Environmental Implications of Change document, and the feedback questionnaire as well as copies of the SoCC and this strategy are available to view at the venues listed below	Copies of the consultation materials (including the consultation leaflet, summary document, EIC, feedback questionnaire, SoCC, and targeted statutory consultation strategy) were sent to Tilbury Library, Chadwell Library, and East Tilbury Library. They were available to

throughout the consultation period. • Tilbury Library • Chadwell Library • East Tilbury Library	view throughout the consultation period, and additional copies were delivered on 26 March.
Our project website is where all information relating to our targeted consultations and all previous consultations is located. The website will be updated to include all relevant information for the targeted statutory consultation.	The Project website was updated to include all the information on the targeted statutory consultation. Information related to all previous consultations also remained available to view.
Maps showing the proposed changes we are consulting on will be made available in the document Library. The interactive project map will remain available and include an explanation of what the map is showing and where the latest proposals can be viewed.	A series of maps showing the proposed changes were uploaded to the Project website. The interactive map showing our proposals from statutory consultation in 2024 remains available, with a note that this does not include the latest proposed changes and directing people how to find that information.
Information included on project website. • Project website document library with access to the information. All information relating to our targeted consultations will be uploaded here. This includes the consultation leaflets being sent out to properties in the consultation zones.	The Project website document library contains all information related to the targeted statutory consultation.
• Consultation pages to display all relevant information and material being presented for consultation. Information about our proposals will be laid out in a simple, visual and interactive format, with pointers and instructions throughout to aid easy navigation. • This includes a link to the online feedback questionnaire. • We will also provide links and registration instructions for the public webinar we will hold.	The consultation page was updated to contain the information and materials presented for the targeted statutory consultation. It included a link to the online feedback questionnaire and instructions on how to register for the public webinars.
• We will publish proportionate and appropriate environmental information on the implications of the proposed change and how that may or may not differ to those effects laid out within the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) presented in summer 2024.	The Environmental Implications of Change (EIC) document was published on the Project website.
• FAQs	The FAQs were updated to provide information on the targeted consultations.
• Project update section. This section allows members of the public to stay updated on the project and provides an easily accessible place for all recent updates to be hosted.	The Project update section of the document library was updated to include the March 2025 update announcing the beginning of the targeted statutory consultation.
• Project contact details. This includes telephone, email and freepost details for the	The Project contact details remain the same as during previous consultations and were

public to get in contact and request further details or ask questions.	available on the consultation page and the Get in touch page.
• Feedback questionnaire. The online questionnaire will enable members of the public to provide their feedback easily for each location and submit to the project team. The document can also be downloaded from the website and returned by email or printed and sent back via Freepost. Paper copies will also be posted on request.	The online feedback questionnaire was live from the beginning of the targeted consultations. A downloadable copy was also available and paper copies were available for request.
• All personal data will be held in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) (EU) 2016/679 and personal data will not be transferred outside of the European Economic Area or used for purposes other than those outlined. The website will be made accessible for all users through the provision of audio guides, videos, other visual material and the ability to request translation.	Complied with
If people need consultation materials presented in different formats, we will consider this on request.	Hard copy documents were requested and issued. No other formats were requested during the consultations.
Paper copies of the feedback questionnaire, along with a Freepost envelope, will be mailed to addresses that fall within our consultation zone and available on request.	Properties within the consultation zone received a number of documents when the consultations launched, which included a feedback questionnaire and a Freepost envelope. They were also available to be posted to anyone who asked for paper copies.
Website visitors will be able to provide their feedback via our online feedback questionnaire or by downloading it to return by email or Freepost (address listed below).	People could submit feedback using the online feedback questionnaire or by downloading a copy of the feedback questionnaire and sending it either by email or Freepost to FREEPOST N TO T.
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Appendix K9

Correspondence sent

K9.1 – Letter sent to S42(1)(a) and (b) consultees

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30 January 2025

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The Project

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Previous statutory consultation and information on environmental effects

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Enclosed with this letter

Enclosed with this letter is a Feedback Questionnaire and a Freepost envelope.

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The feedback we receive will be considered and used to help refine our proposals ahead of the submission of our application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) in 2025.

If you would like further information or a briefing on the targeted consultations, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

Project Director

K9.4 – Email sent to non-prescribed consultees

Outlook

National Grid – Norwich to Tilbury, targeted consultations 30 January to 3 March 2025.

From Contact Norwich to Tilbury <contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com>
Date Thu 30/01/2025 12:00
To Contact Norwich to Tilbury <contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com>

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Yours faithfully

Project Director

K9.5 – Letter sent to Suffolk 1a stakeholders

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6 February 2025

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Dear Sir / Madam

Targeted consultations on changes to our proposals for Norwich to Tilbury

Location reference: Suffolk 1a

12 noon 30 January 2025 to 11:59 pm 10 March 2025

We wrote to you on 28 January to make you aware of targeted consultations we are holding on some small changes we are proposing to make to Norwich to Tilbury - a proposal for a new electricity transmission connection. In particular we wrote to you outlining some changes we're proposing between Palgrave and Mellis.

One of the changes in the documents we sent includes the removal of a section of the existing 132 kV overhead line and replacing it with underground cables. On the maps shown in the Suffolk 1 leaflet and accompanying Environmental Implications of Change (EIC) document the southern section of the underground cable route for the 132 kV connection was cropped and did not show all the proposed changes to the route of the underground section in this location.

We're now sending you an updated version of the leaflet and EIC - called Suffolk 1a - so you can view the changes we're proposing to the route of the 132 kV underground section in this location. We've also extended the consultation deadline for comments on Suffolk 1a until **11:59 pm on 10 March 2025.**

The updated leaflet explaining the change we are proposing at this location and why we are considering it is enclosed, along with information on environmental implications and maps to show the exact location. This information is also published on our project website (nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury), along with details of changes in other locations that are being considered.

You can also find all the information we have previously published on our project website, including information, maps and plans relating to our statutory consultation, which was held in summer 2024.

Providing feedback

If you would like to comment on any aspect of the proposed change included in the enclosed consultation leaflet, please complete the feedback questionnaire, and send it back to us in the envelope provided.

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www.nationalgrid.com

You can also send feedback via our online feedback questionnaire or by post or email using the contact details below:

- Email - contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com
- Freepost – FREEPOST N TO T
- Online feedback questionnaire - nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury

Each location where a change is proposed has been given a reference number, and we ask that you quote this in any correspondence. The location references are also shown on each consultation leaflet and on the website, which you can find here: nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury.

The consultation on this change is open until **11:59 pm 10 March 2025.**

Webinars

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You can also call us on 0800 915 2497 if you have any questions.

Whilst this is non-statutory community consultation, we will review all feedback received and carefully consider it as we refine our proposals, ahead of submitting an application for a DCO later this year.

If you have any questions on the above, please don't hesitate to contact us and we will be happy to set up a call to discuss the project and the proposed changes in more detail.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully

K9.6 – Letter sent to S42(1)(d) consultees

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Party Reference [redacted]
Area Reference: Suffolk 1

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Dear Sir / Madam

Targeted Consultation for the project called Norwich to Tilbury: 12 noon 30 January 2025 to 11:59 pm 3 March 2025

Section 42 Planning Act 2008 (as amended): Duty to consult on a proposed application

The Infrastructure Planning (Applications and Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (as amended) (the "APFP Regulations")

Notification under the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (as amended) (the "EIA Regulations")

TO BOOK A MEETING TO DISCUSS HOW THIS PROPOSAL AFFECTS YOUR LAND INTEREST(S) PLEASE CONTACT:

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MEETINGS ARE AVAILABLE FROM 31 JANUARY 2025.

We are writing to inform you that National Grid Electricity Transmission plc ("National Grid") is carrying out further targeted consultation on proposals for the project called Norwich to Tilbury ("the Project"). This consultation, combined with previous rounds of consultation, relates to a proposed application to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero ("the Secretary of State") under the Planning Act 2008 (the "Act") for a Development Consent Order ("DCO") for the Project.

This targeted consultation runs from **12 noon 30 January 2025 to 11:59 pm 3 March 2025.**

Following the close of our previous statutory consultation on 26 July 2024, the National Grid Project team has been reviewing feedback received during that consultation, as well as considering the findings of further assessments including environmental surveys, and considering where there is potential to make

further changes to our proposals. A number of potential localised changes are being considered, and we are asking people in close proximity to these changes to provide their feedback. No final decisions have been made on the changes.

We are writing to you now because we believe your land interest(s) may be affected by changes we are proposing to the Project and as such our consultation with you here is statutory under Section 42 of the Act.

The Project

The Project is a proposal by National Grid to upgrade the electricity transmission system in East Anglia between Norwich and Tilbury. The Project includes a new 400 kilovolt ("kV") electricity transmission connection of approximately 184 kilometres ("km") in overall length from Norwich Main Substation and Tilbury Substation via Bramford Substation, currently comprising:

- approximately 159 km of new overhead line supported on approximately 510 steel lattice pylons (approximately 50 metres ("m") in height) some of which are gantries (typically up to 15 m in height) within proposed Cable Sealing End ("CSE") compounds, or existing or proposed substations
- approximately 25 km of 400 kV underground cabling some of which is located through the Dedham Vale National Landscape (formerly known as Dedham Vale AONB)
- six new CSE compounds, each with a permanent access, to connect the overhead lines to the underground cables
- a new 400 kV East Anglia Connection Node ("EACN") substation, with a new permanent access, on the Tendring Peninsula. This is proposed to be an Air Insulated Switchgear ("AIS") substation
- substation extension works at the existing Norwich Main, and Bramford substations and works within the existing Tilbury Substation to connect and support operation of the new transmission connection

Third party utilities diversions and / or modifications would also be required to facilitate the construction of the Project. There would also be land required for mitigation, compensation and enhancement of the environment including Biodiversity Net Gain.

As well as the permanent infrastructure, land would also be required temporarily for construction activities including, for example, working areas for construction equipment and machinery, site offices, welfare, storage and temporary construction access.

The Project would be designed, constructed and operated in accordance with applicable health and safety legislation. The Project would also need to comply with design safety standards including the National Electricity Transmission System ("NETS") Security and Quality of Supply Standard, which sets out the criteria and methodology for planning and operating the NETS. This informs a suite of National Grid policies and processes, which contain details on design standards required to be met when designing, constructing and operating assets such as proposed for the Project.

Norwich to Tilbury will play a vital role in delivering electricity efficiently, reliably, and safely and will support the UK's move to reduce carbon emissions and we are committed to working with local communities as we develop our plans.

National Grid expects the Project to be classified as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project ("NSIP") and to require consent from the Secretary of State via a DCO. The development consent being sought would include a number of other provisions, including those for the compulsory acquisition of land and interests in and rights over land, overriding easements and other rights, the temporary use of land, and other ancillary powers, if necessary, to construct and maintain the Project.

Previous statutory consultation and information on environmental effects

The Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment ("EIA") development, as defined by the EIA Regulations and is currently in the pre-application stage of the DCO application process.

As part of that process, during the statutory consultation which took place from April to July 2024, we sought views on the potential environmental effects of the proposed Project and if consultees had suggestions for reducing these effects (for example, through mitigation measures). This information was detailed in the 2024 Preliminary Environmental Information Report ("the 2024 PEIR").

Following our analysis, the proposed changes would not materially change the conclusions reported within the 2024 PEIR published as part of our previous statutory consultation. For more information on the local environmental implications of the changes please refer to the Environmental Implications of Change ("EIC") document, where proportionate and appropriate information on the environmental implications of the proposed changes are presented in an easily accessible form.

An Environmental Statement will subsequently be prepared in accordance with the EIA Regulations and will accompany the application for development consent.

The 2024 PEIR and an EIC for each area of proposed change is available to review on our Project website within the document library, which can be accessed at: nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury

Enclosed with this letter

Enclosed with this letter is a Feedback Questionnaire and a Freepost envelope.

Consultation materials

Information on the changes being consulted on as part of this targeted consultation can be found at nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury. There you will find a series of consultation information leaflets and corresponding EICs for each location where we are consulting on proposed changes. You should also receive copies of these materials separately and as a member of the local community within the vicinity of the proposed changes.

In addition, the materials published as part of the 2024 statutory consultation remain relevant and available to be viewed on the Project website (nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury), which include:

- Project Background Document.
- Copy of the notice published as part of the statutory consultation under Section 48 of the Act (as the Project is 'EIA Development' for the purposes of the EIA Regulations and as required by Regulation 4 of the APFP Regulations).
- 2024 PEIR and non-technical summary ("NTS") of the 2024 PEIR.
- Project maps/Project area maps showing the extent of the Project.
- Statement of Community Consultation ("SoCC").

Copies of current and previous consultation materials and documents can be provided on request by contacting us either by email at contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com or by telephone on 0800 915 2497.

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Responding to the consultation

Responses to this consultation must be received between **12 noon 30 January 2025 to 11:59 pm 3 March 2025**

Responses to this consultation can be submitted online at nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury

Alternatively, you can return a printed copy of the Feedback Questionnaire or a free text response via email: contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com or post: **FREEPOST N TO T** (please write this in capitals, you do not need a stamp).

Requests for paper copies of the technical documents will be reviewed on a case by-case basis. To cover printing costs a reasonable copying charge may apply, to be paid for by the recipient and up-to a maximum value of £500 for the whole suite of consultation documents. Please get in touch with us using the details below if you would like a printed or alternative format copy of materials.

Telephone: 0800 915 2497.

Email: contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com

Following the close of targeted consultation all feedback will be collated, reviewed and analysed to understand key themes and concerns. Our proposals will be reviewed and, where practicable, refined in light of feedback.

We may be required to make copies of representations available to the Secretary of State. However, we will request that personal details are not placed on the public record. Personal details will be held securely in accordance with the relevant data protection legislation and will be used solely in connection with the consultation process and the development of this Project and, except as noted above, will not be disclosed to any third parties. National Grid's privacy policy can be found on its website: https://www.nationalgrid.com/privacy-policy.

If you have any questions about the Project, please don't hesitate to contact us at the above postal or email address.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully

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Project Director

Appendix K10

S42(1)(d) consultee list

S42(1)(d) Consultees- Targeted Consultation: Norfolk and Suffolk

This appendix provides a list of those PILs consulted on changes:

- Norfolk 1 to 6; and
- Suffolk 1 to 6.

Each table includes the category of the interest (for the purposes of section 44) and the dates between which the interest was consulted.

Table L9.1 Interests that were consulted w/c 28 January 2025, under section 42(1)(d) of PA 2008

PIL ID	CCZ Area	Consultee	Category	Type of interest	Consultation Dates
3744	Norfolk 1	[redacted]	1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
8568	Norfolk 1	[redacted]	1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
9709	Norfolk 1	[redacted]	1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
1816	Norfolk 1	[redacted]	2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
6373	Norfolk 1	[redacted]	2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
15485	Norfolk 1	Orsted Hornsea Project Three (UK) Limited	2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
15487	Norfolk 1	Cerulea Limited	2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
17044	Norfolk 1	Vodafone Group plc	2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
15828	Norfolk 1, Norfolk 2, Suffolk 4	UK Power Networks (Operations) Limited	2	Freehold, Leasehold, Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
224	Norfolk 2	[redacted]	1	Freehold, Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
226	Norfolk 2	[redacted]	1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
435	Norfolk 2	[redacted]	1	Freehold, Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
1923	Norfolk 2	[redacted]	1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
2997	Norfolk 2	[redacted]	1	Freehold, Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25

PIL ID	CCZ Area	[redacted]	Category	Type of interest	Consultation Dates
4235	Norfolk 2		1	Freehold, Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
5578	Norfolk 2		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
7825	Norfolk 2		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
7850	Norfolk 2		1	Freehold, Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
8142	Norfolk 2		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
8159	Norfolk 2		1	Freehold, Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
10156	Norfolk 2		1	Freehold, Leasehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
10556	Norfolk 2		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
13560	Norfolk 2		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
13561	Norfolk 2		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
13562	Norfolk 2		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
13563	Norfolk 2		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
14200	Norfolk 2		1	Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
1061	Norfolk 2		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
1079	Norfolk 2		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
4559	Norfolk 2		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
4865	Norfolk 2		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25

PIL ID	CCZ Area	[redacted]	Category	Type of interest	Consultation Dates
5179	Norfolk 2		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
6434	Norfolk 2		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
9450	Norfolk 2		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
15145	Norfolk 2		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
15914	Norfolk 2		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
20755	Norfolk 2		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
10198	Norfolk 2, Norfolk 3		1,2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
14211	Norfolk 2, Suffolk 1, Suffolk 3, Suffolk 6		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
14208	Norfolk 2, Suffolk 4		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
2492	Norfolk 3		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
2652	Norfolk 3		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
3398	Norfolk 3		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
5156	Norfolk 3		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
7183	Norfolk 3		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
8251	Norfolk 3		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
9598	Norfolk 3		1	Freehold, Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25

PIL ID	CCZ Area	[redacted]	Category	Type of interest	Consultation Dates
16268	Norfolk 3		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
24718	Norfolk 3		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
3561	Norfolk 3		1,2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
8173	Norfolk 3		1,2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
1000	Norfolk 3		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
2998	Norfolk 3		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
4647	Norfolk 3		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
6596	Norfolk 3		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
7076	Norfolk 3		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
9125	Norfolk 3		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
9872	Norfolk 3		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
10188	Norfolk 3		2	Freehold, Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
15016	Norfolk 3		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
15199	Norfolk 3		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
1014	Norfolk 4		1	Freehold, Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
3597	Norfolk 4		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
5362	Norfolk 4		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
7411	Norfolk 4		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25

PIL ID	CCZ Area	[redacted]	Category	Type of interest	Consultation Dates
9583	Norfolk 4		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
10187	Norfolk 4		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
14198	Norfolk 4		1	Occupation, Leasehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
4260	Norfolk 4		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
16004	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
10629	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
1043	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
1140	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
1724	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
2692	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
3229	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
4322	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
4662	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
6530	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
6536	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
6689	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
8342	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
16662	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
17600	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25

PIL ID	CCZ Area	[redacted]	Category	Type of interest	Consultation Dates
17601	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
21299	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
21310	Suffolk 1		1	Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
24574	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
24575	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
24576	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
24577	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
24578	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
24579	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
24691	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
24692	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
24704	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
24705	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
10316	Suffolk 1		1,2	Freehold, Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
20512	Suffolk 1		1,2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
20513	Suffolk 1		1,2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
1173	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
2963	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25

PIL ID	CCZ Area	[redacted]	Category	Type of interest	Consultation Dates
5078	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
5286	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
6656	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
6968	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
8802	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold, Leasehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
10469	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold, Leasehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
10484	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
13904	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold, Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
13905	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold, Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
14213	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold, Leasehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
14305	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold, Mortgage	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
15977	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold, Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
16230	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
16231	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
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19904	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
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20879	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
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21231	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
21232	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
21233	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
21234	Suffolk 1		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
10300	Suffolk 1, Suffolk 2		1,2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
14212	Suffolk 1, Suffolk 2		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
15477	Suffolk 1, Suffolk 2		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
2889	Suffolk 1, Suffolk 2, Suffolk 6		1,2	Freehold, Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
10512	Suffolk 1, Suffolk 6		2	Freehold, Leasehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
1644	Suffolk 2		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25

PIL ID	CCZ Area	[redacted]	Category	Type of interest	Consultation Dates
3325	Suffolk 2		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
4519	Suffolk 2		1	Freehold, Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
7314	Suffolk 2		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
8683	Suffolk 2		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
14171	Suffolk 2		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
166	Suffolk 2		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
1199	Suffolk 2		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
4898	Suffolk 2		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
5331	Suffolk 2		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
8287	Suffolk 2		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
9633	Suffolk 2		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
89	Suffolk 3		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
2554	Suffolk 3		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
3085	Suffolk 3		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
4264	Suffolk 3		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
4997	Suffolk 3		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
5262	Suffolk 3		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
5301	Suffolk 3		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
5909	Suffolk 3		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25

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10100	Suffolk 3		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
10295	Suffolk 3		1	Freehold, Leasehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
15476	Suffolk 3		1,2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
14445	Suffolk 3		2	Freehold, Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
15481	Suffolk 3		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
16376	Suffolk 3		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
16377	Suffolk 3		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
16383	Suffolk 3		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
16384	Suffolk 3		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
19905	Suffolk 3		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
19906	Suffolk 3		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
10464	Suffolk 3, Suffolk 6		2	Freehold, Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
10240	Suffolk 4		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
10524	Suffolk 4		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
24702	Suffolk 4		1,2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
4105	Suffolk 4		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
2371	Suffolk 5		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25

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3564	Suffolk 5		1	Freehold, Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
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7871	Suffolk 5		1	Freehold, Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
15920	Suffolk 5		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
15921	Suffolk 5		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
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562	Suffolk 5		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
971	Suffolk 5		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
1728	Suffolk 5		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
2028	Suffolk 5		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
2394	Suffolk 5		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
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2900	Suffolk 5		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
3497	Suffolk 5		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
3517	Suffolk 5		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25

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6219	Suffolk 5		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
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9160	Suffolk 5		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
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7	Suffolk 6		1	Freehold, Occupation	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
554	Suffolk 6		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
2215	Suffolk 6		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25

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2785	Suffolk 6		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
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3342	Suffolk 6		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
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16003	Suffolk 6		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
800	Suffolk 6		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25

PIL ID	CCZ Area	[redacted]	Category	Type of interest	Consultation Dates
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14219	Suffolk 6		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
20131	Suffolk 6		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
20165	Suffolk 6		2	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
10555	Norfolk 2		1	Freehold	31/01/25 - 03/03/25
1435	Suffolk 3		1	Freehold	31/01/25 - 03/03/25
10175	Suffolk 6		2	Freehold	31/01/25 - 03/03/25
3744	Norfolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
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24704	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
24705	Suffolk 1		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25
24718	Norfolk 3		1	Freehold	30/01/25 - 03/03/25

Table L9.2 Interes [redacted] r section 42(1)(d) of PA 2008:

PIL ID	CCZ Are	Category	Type of interest	Consultation Dates
4015	Norfolk 3	2	Freehold	04/02/25 - 03/03/25
9917	Suffolk 1	1,2	Freehold	04/02/25 - 03/03/25
10067	Suffolk 1	1,2	Freehold	04/02/25 - 03/03/25
15950	Suffolk 6	1	Freehold	04/02/25 - 03/03/25
9917	Suffolk 1	1,2	Freehold	07/02/25 - 03/03/25
10067	Suffolk 1	1,2	Freehold	07/02/25 - 03/03/25
2925	Suffolk 6	1	Freehold	11/02/25 - 03/03/25
6059	Suffolk 6	1	Freehold	11/02/25 - 03/03/25
25218	Suffolk 1	1	Occupation	26/02/25 - 03/03/25

Appendix K11

Return to sender information

Return to Sender - S42(1)(d) Consultees- Targeted Consultation: Norfolk and Suffolk

This appendix provides the Return to Sender information for S42(1)(d) consultees for the Norfolk and Suffolk targeted consultation.

The table includes the category of the interest (for the purposes of section 44), the reason for the return to sender and the action taken.

Table LK11.1 Return to sender information for Interests that were consulted during the Norfolk and Suffolk non-statutory targeted consultation, under section 42(1)(d) of PA 2008

PIL ID	Consultation	Consultee	Category	Type of interest	Reason	Action
13708	Norfolk and Suffolk	[redacted]	3	Freehold	Not known at address	Alternative address found, re-issued
10555	Norfolk and Suffolk		1,3	Freehold	Not known at address	Alternative company name and address found, re-issued
0	Norfolk and Suffolk				Not known at address	Alternative company name and address found, re-issued
10509	Norfolk and Suffolk		1,3	Freehold, Occupation		Issued electronically to PIL and land agent
10175	Norfolk and Suffolk		2,3	Freehold	Re-direct	Alternative address found, re-issued
9917	Norfolk and Suffolk		1,2,3	Freehold	Not known at address	Alternative company name and address found, re-issued
10067	Norfolk and Suffolk		1,2,3	Freehold	Not known at address	Alternative company name and address found, re-issued
4015	Norfolk and Suffolk		2	Freehold	No longer at address	Alternative address found, re-issued

Appendix K12

Land agent correspondence

From:	Norwich toTilbury on behalf of Norwich-Tilbury
Sent:	29 January 2025 12:27
To:	Norwich toTilbury
Subject:	Norwich to Tilbury Targeted Consultation

Dear all,

National Grid and the Norwich to Tilbury project is about to commence a mailout of additional localised s.42(1)(d) notices. This is in response to feedback from last year's statutory consultation, where potential changes to the proposed route have been identified in some areas – these areas will form part of Targeted Consultations. To inform the decision-making process, we are offering the opportunity for those persons with an interest in land, within these locations, to provide feedback on the potential changes. In addition to the s.42(1)(d) pack, which includes a feedback questionnaire, your client will also receive a separate mailing with a covering letter, a leaflet with maps and an EIC (Environmental Implications of Change) leaflet explaining the change in their area.

We will shortly be sending individual emails to agents detailing which of your clients will be contacted.

Fisher German are offering online meetings during the consultation period from **Thursday 30th January to Monday 3rd March 2025** , to all affected persons with an interest in land and their agents, and will be able to share plans showing how the specific change affects their holding at that time.

During this period, we will be prioritising meetings with persons with an interest in land within the locations. We will be in touch in due course regarding your other clients who remain affected, however do not fall within these current identified locations.

To arrange a meeting please contact the team on 0808 175 3314

From: Norwich toTilbury
Sent:
To: [redacted]
Cc:
Subject: Norwich to Tilbury Targeted Consultation - Clients
Attachments: 13708-NG-N2T-Suffolk 1 - 496-1012 Consultation Leaflet (V7).pdf; 13708-NG-N2T-Suffolk 3 - 515 Consultation Leaflet (V7).pdf; 13708-NG-N2T-Norfolk 3 - 403-482-774 Consultation Leaflet (V8).pdf; 13708-NG-N2T-Norfolk 2 - CR475 Consultation Leaflet (V7).pdf; 13708-NG-N2T-Norfolk 4 - CR536 Consultation Leaflet (V6).pdf

Dear [redacted]

Following the email sent earlier today regarding the Norwich to Tilbury Targeted Consultation (see email attached), please see below a list of your clients who fall within one of the Targeted consultation zones, and which Consultation area(s) their land sits within:

[redacted] orfolk 3

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olk 2, Norfolk 3
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uffolk 1
– Norfolk 4
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olk 3
rfolk 3
folk 3
orfolk 3

If you would like to arrange an online meeting for any of these clients please get in touch and we will suggest some dates and times we can accommodate.
Please let us know if there are any dates to avoid.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries regarding the Targeted Consultation.

Kind Regards

Norwich toTilbury
For and on behalf of Fisher German LLP

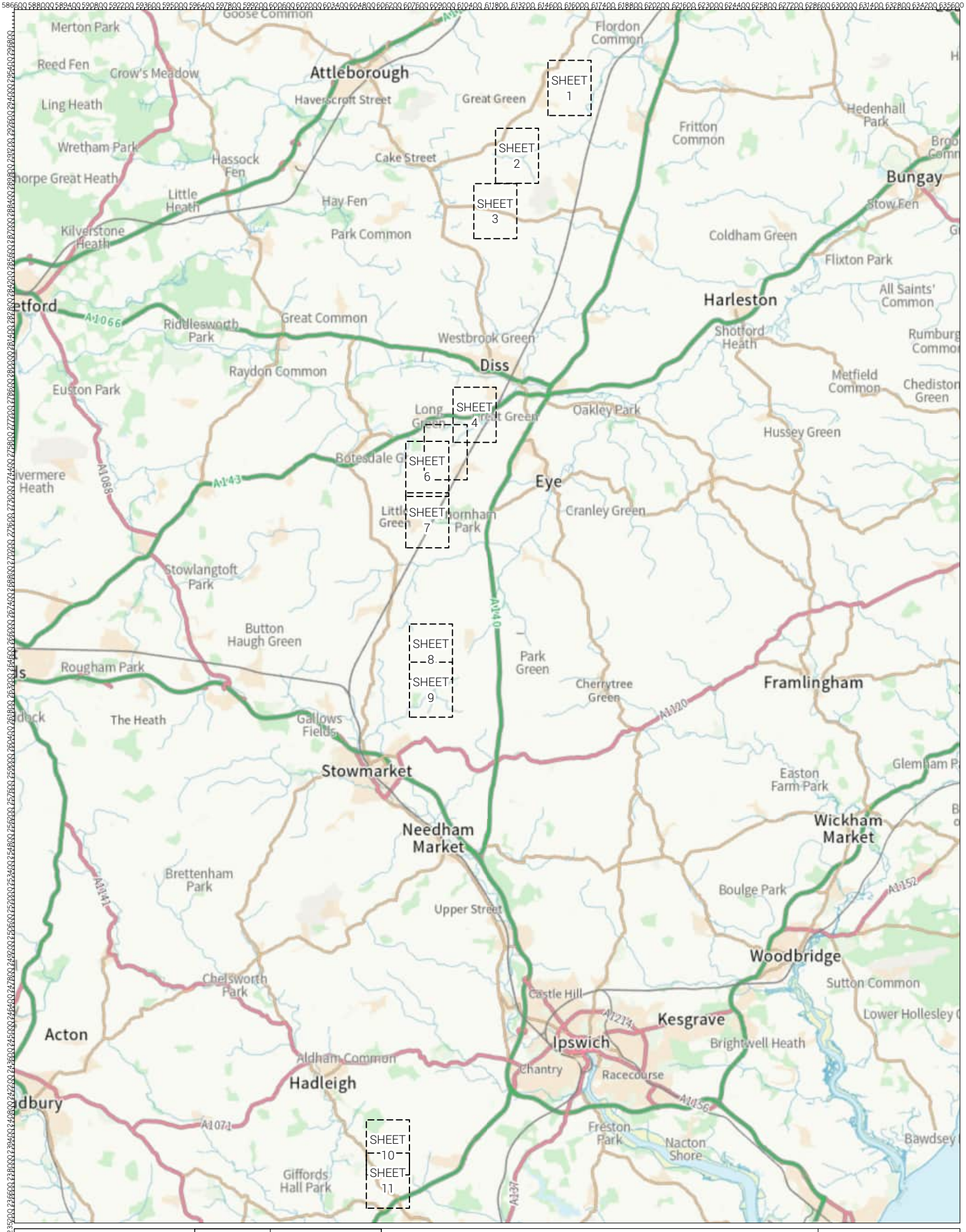
0808 1753314
The Atrium, Risby Business Park,
Bury St Edmunds???IP28 6RD

Appendix K13

Locations of Section 42 notices on site

Appendix K13.1

Overview location map



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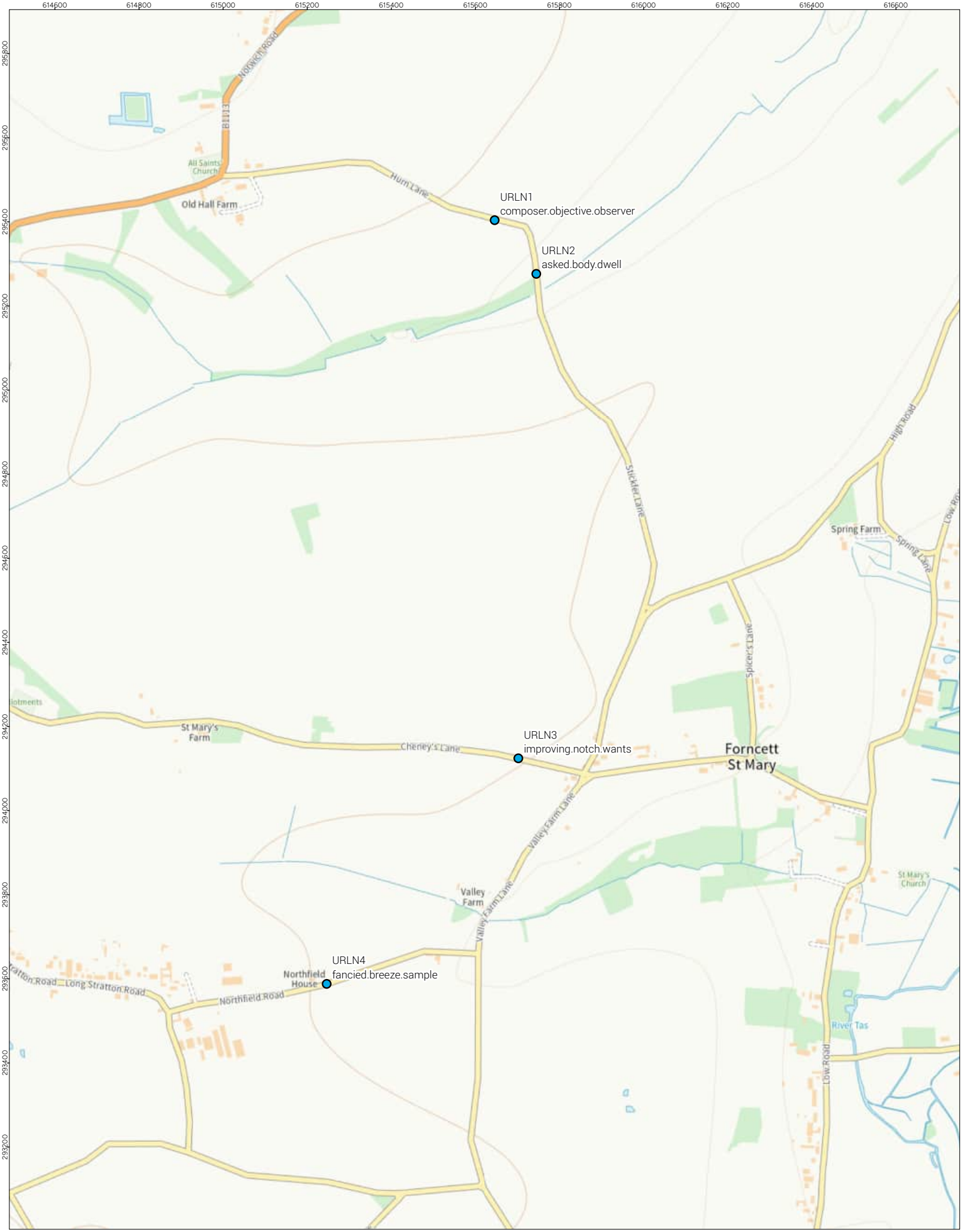
Appendix K13.2

Section 42 notices location maps sheets 1 to 11



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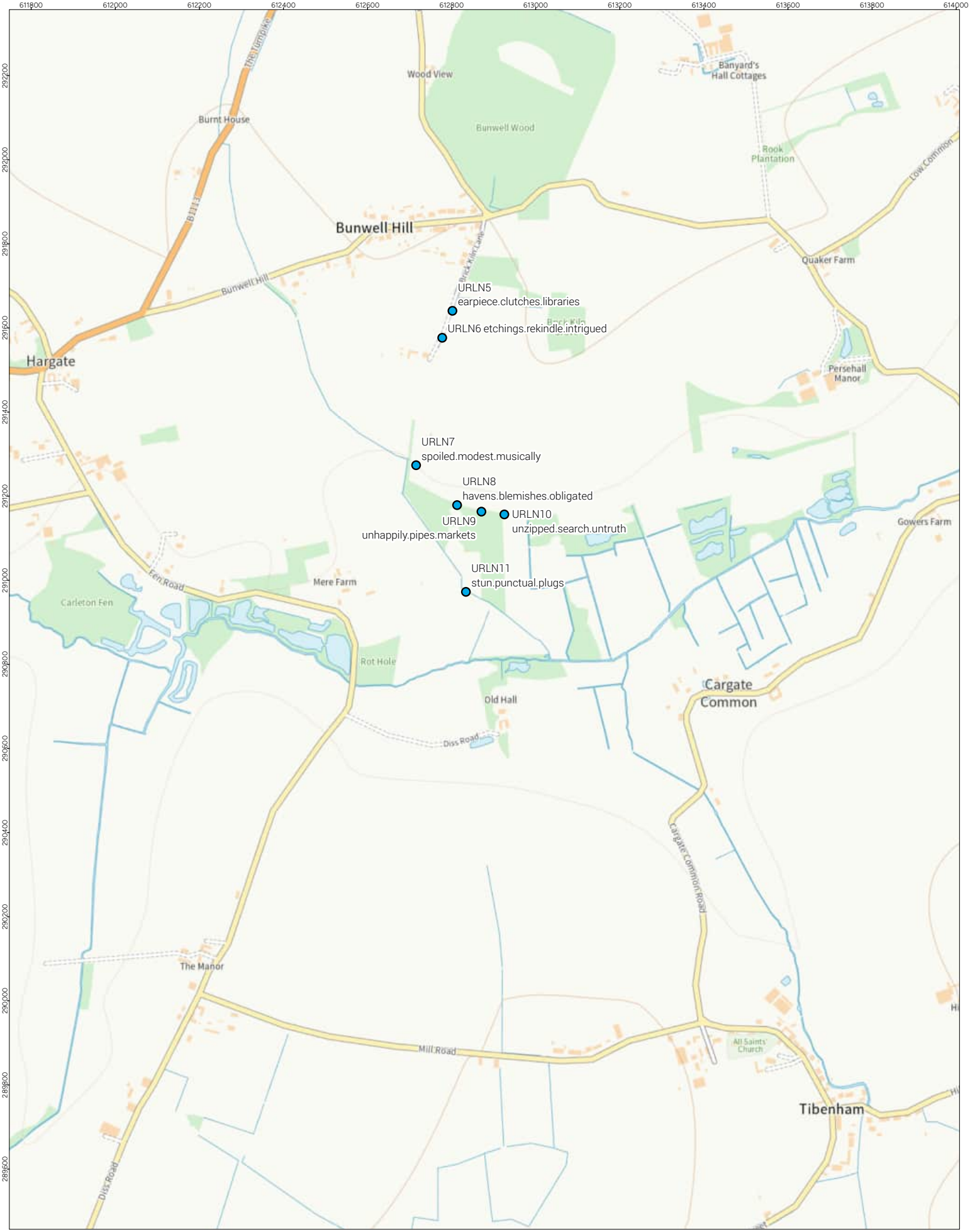

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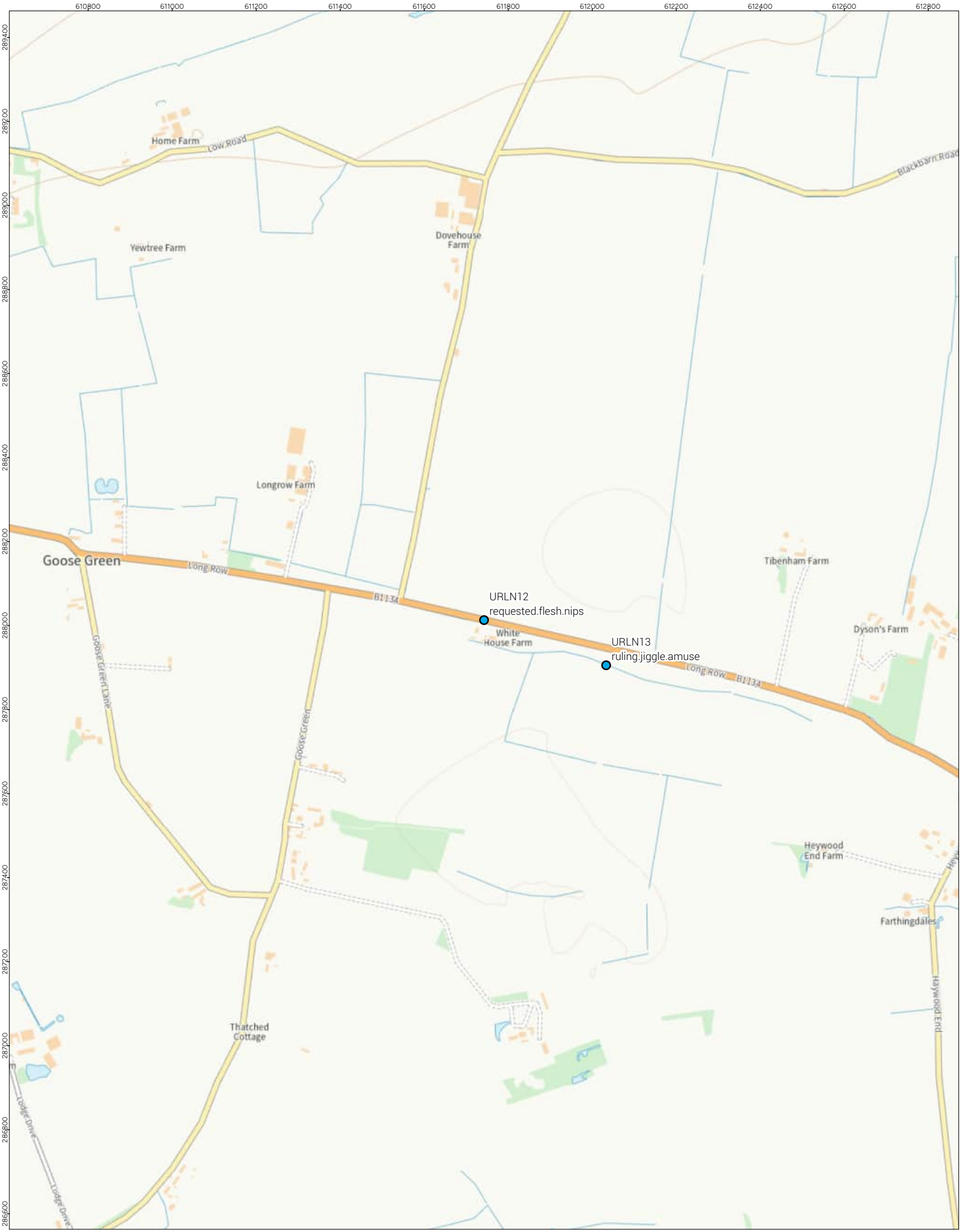

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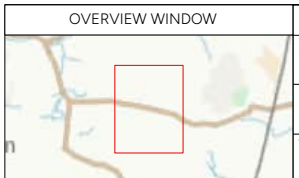

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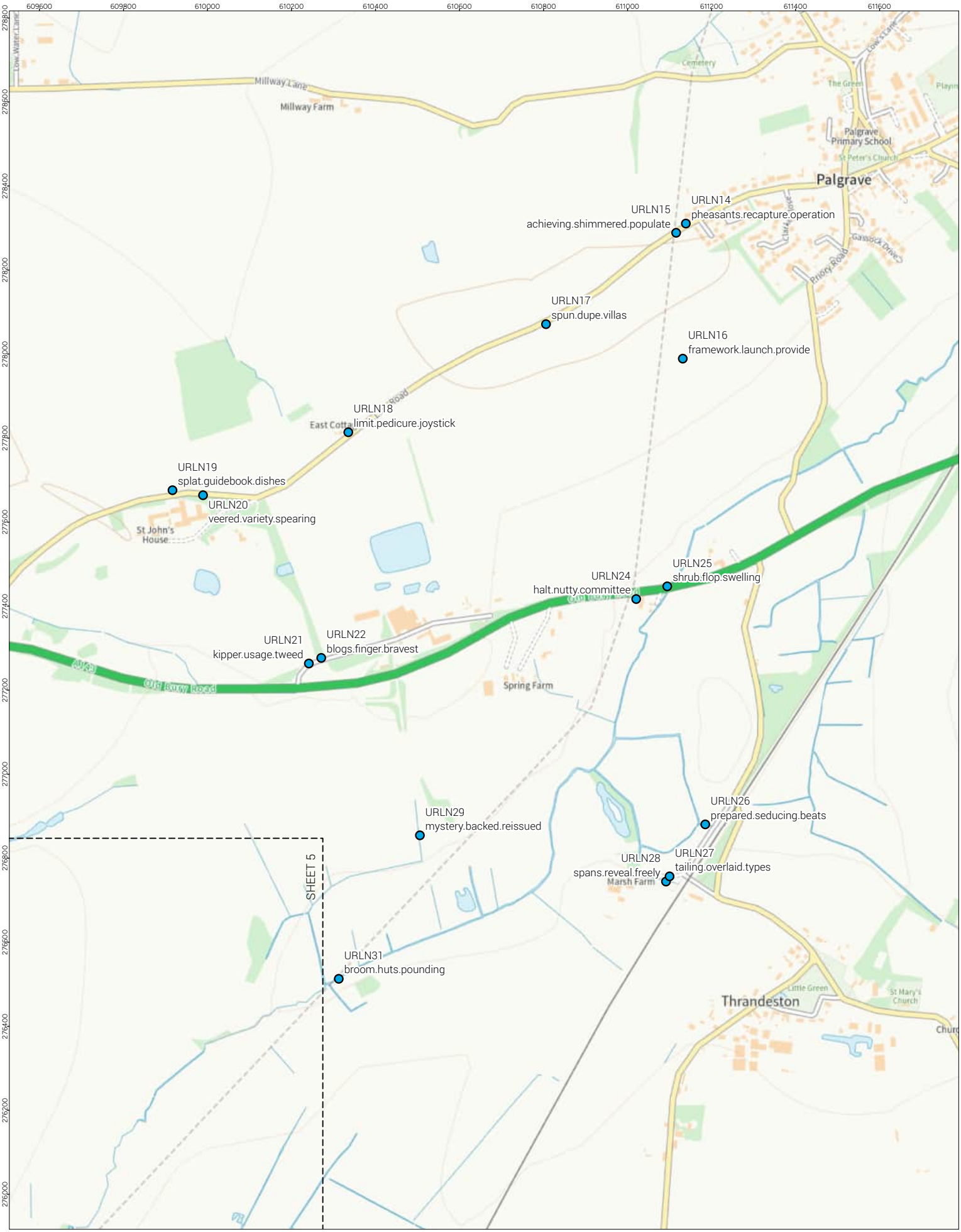

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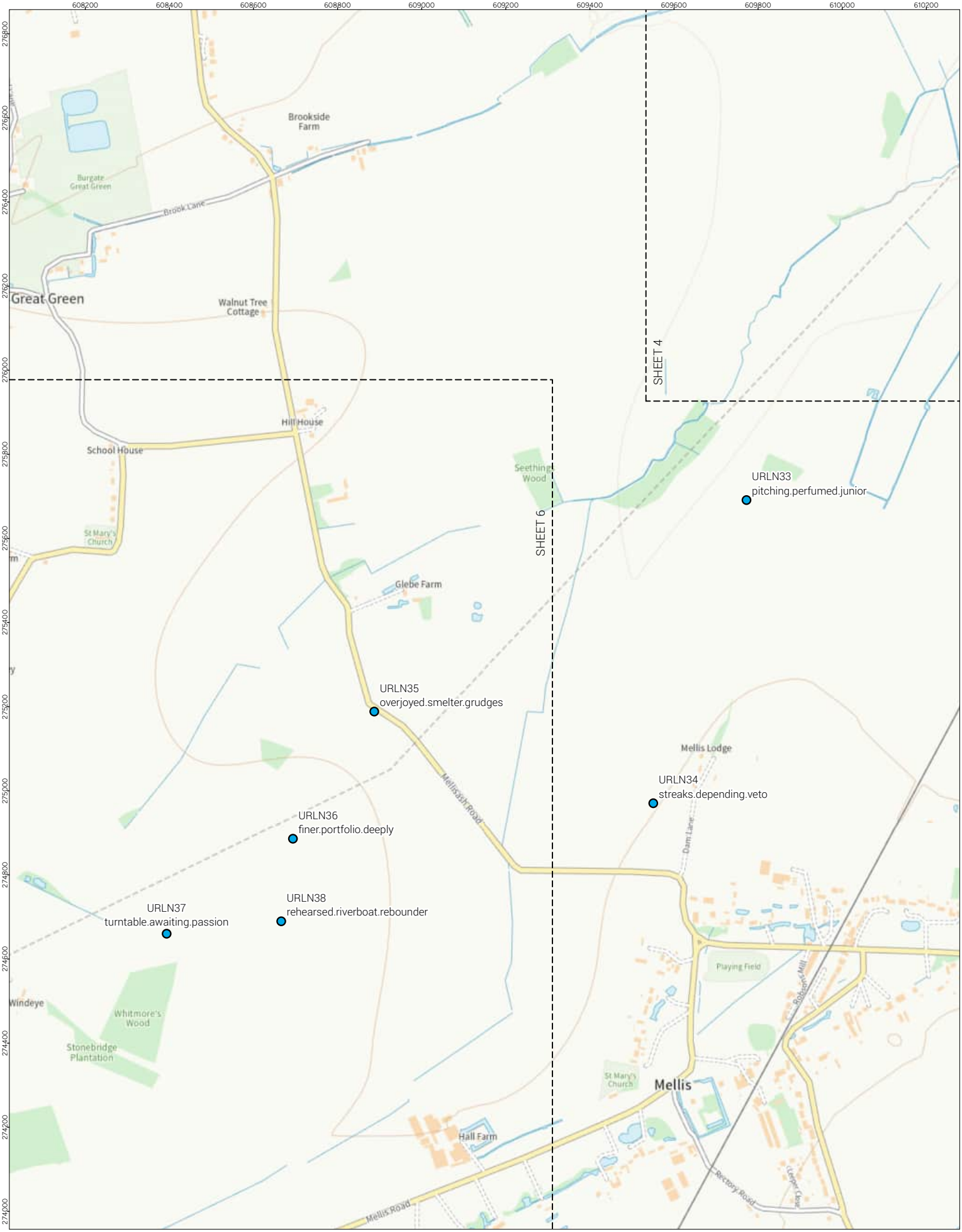

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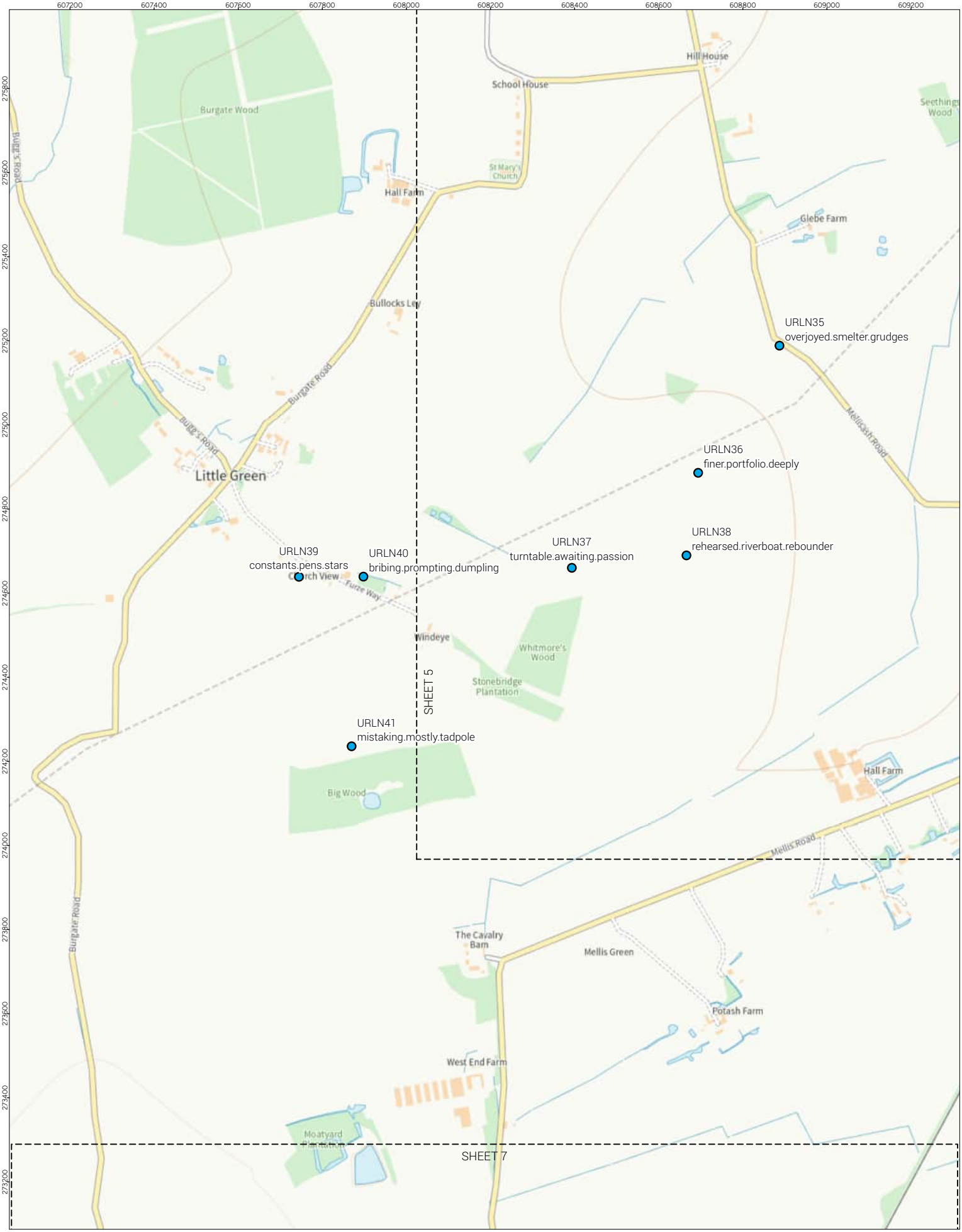

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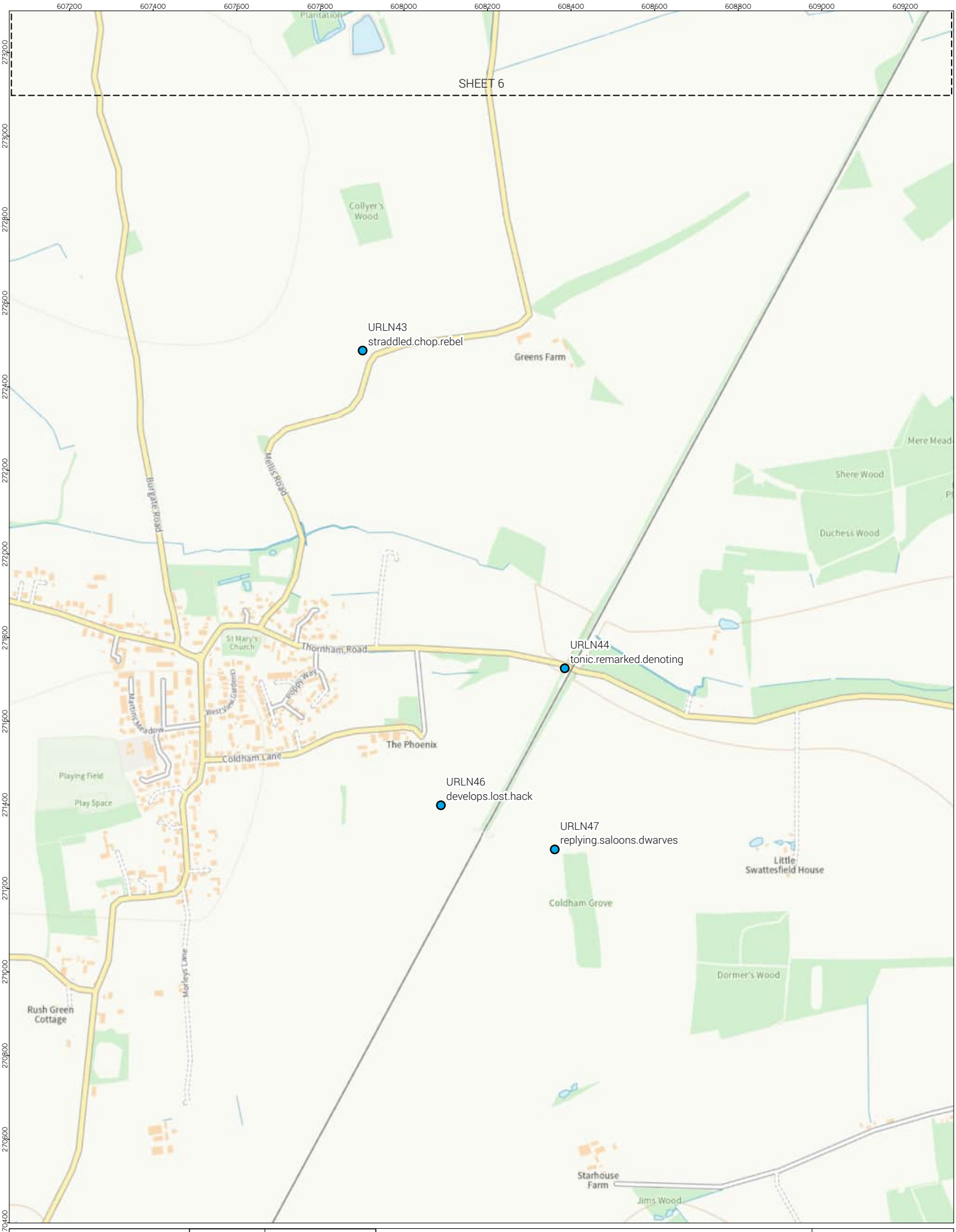

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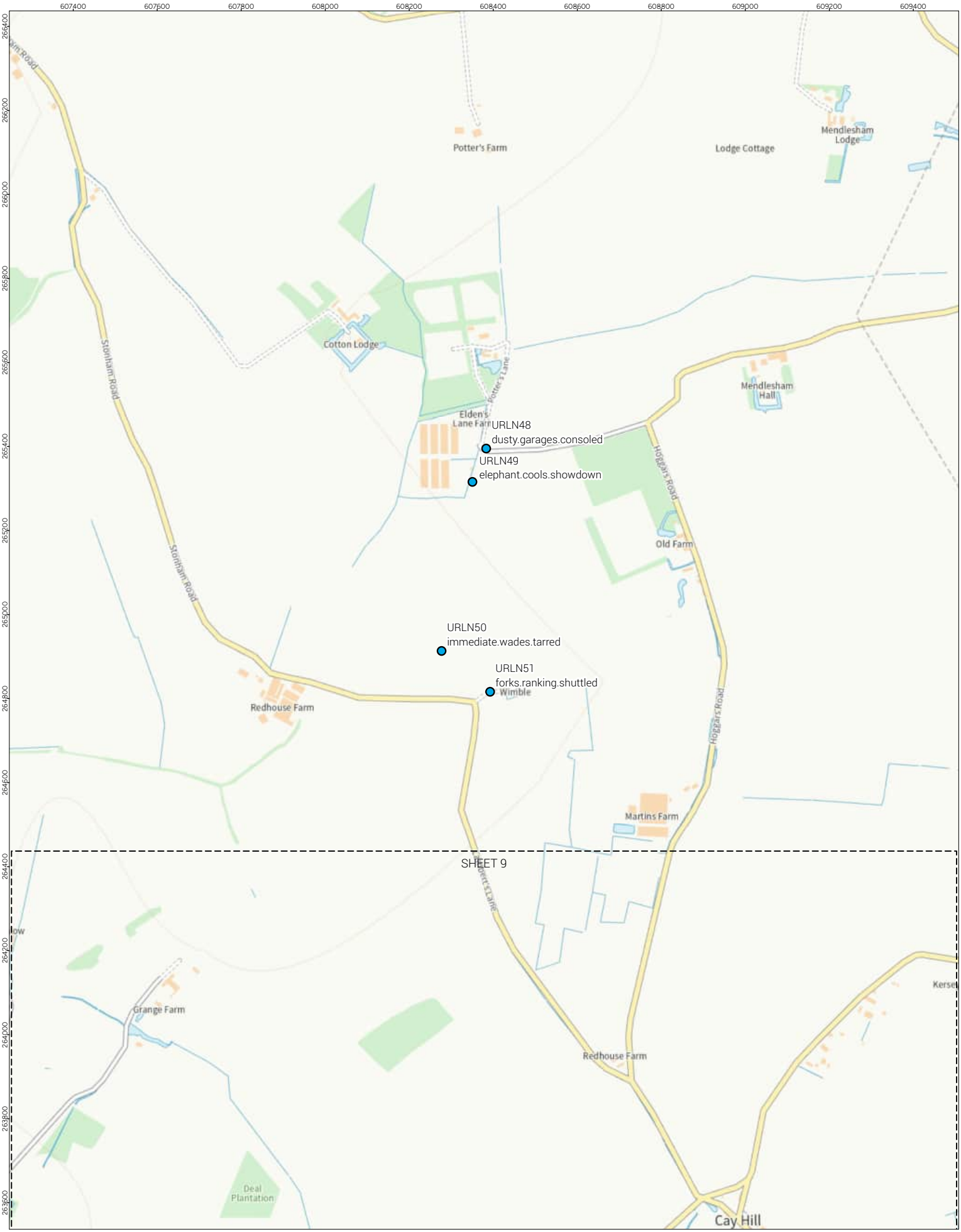

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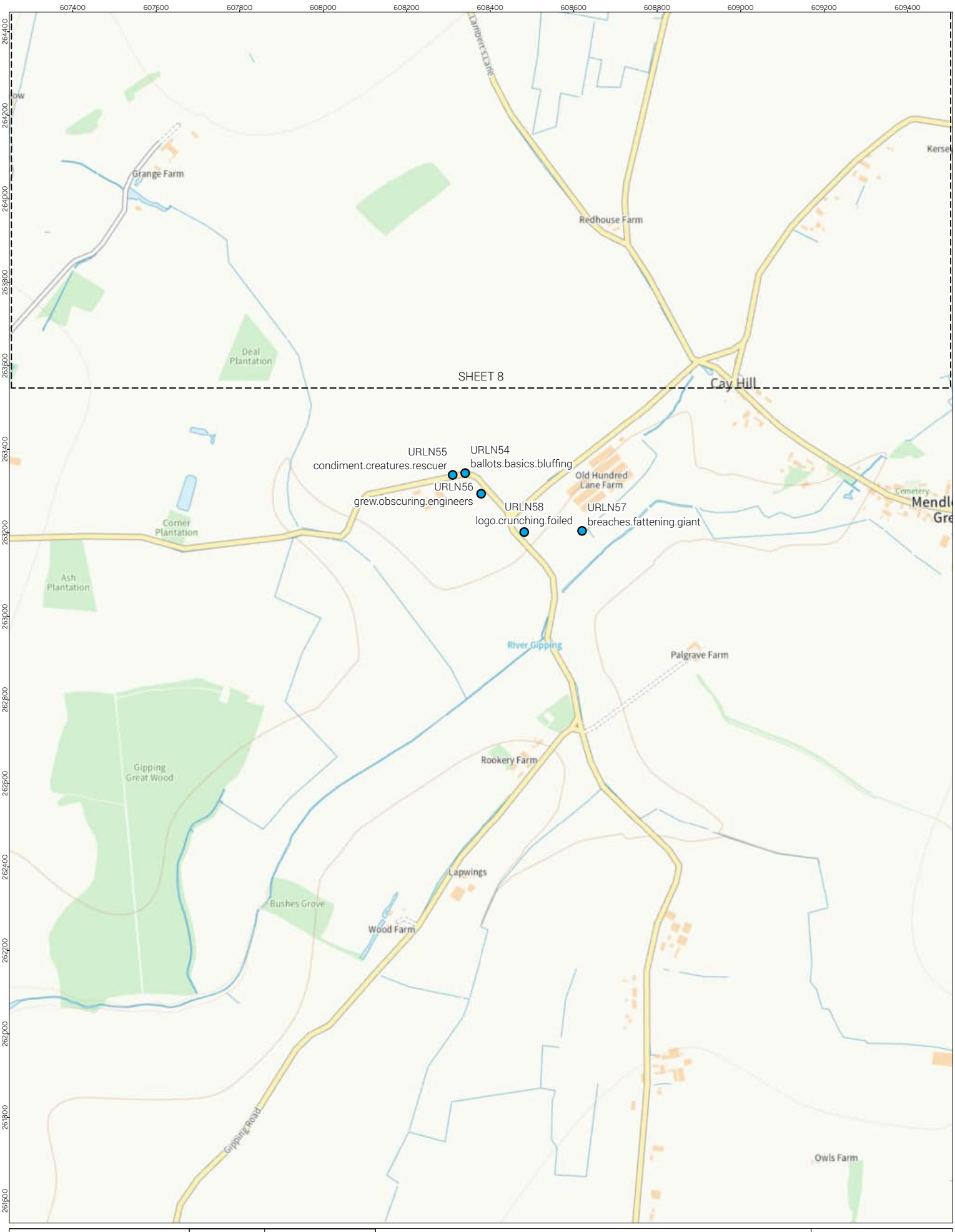

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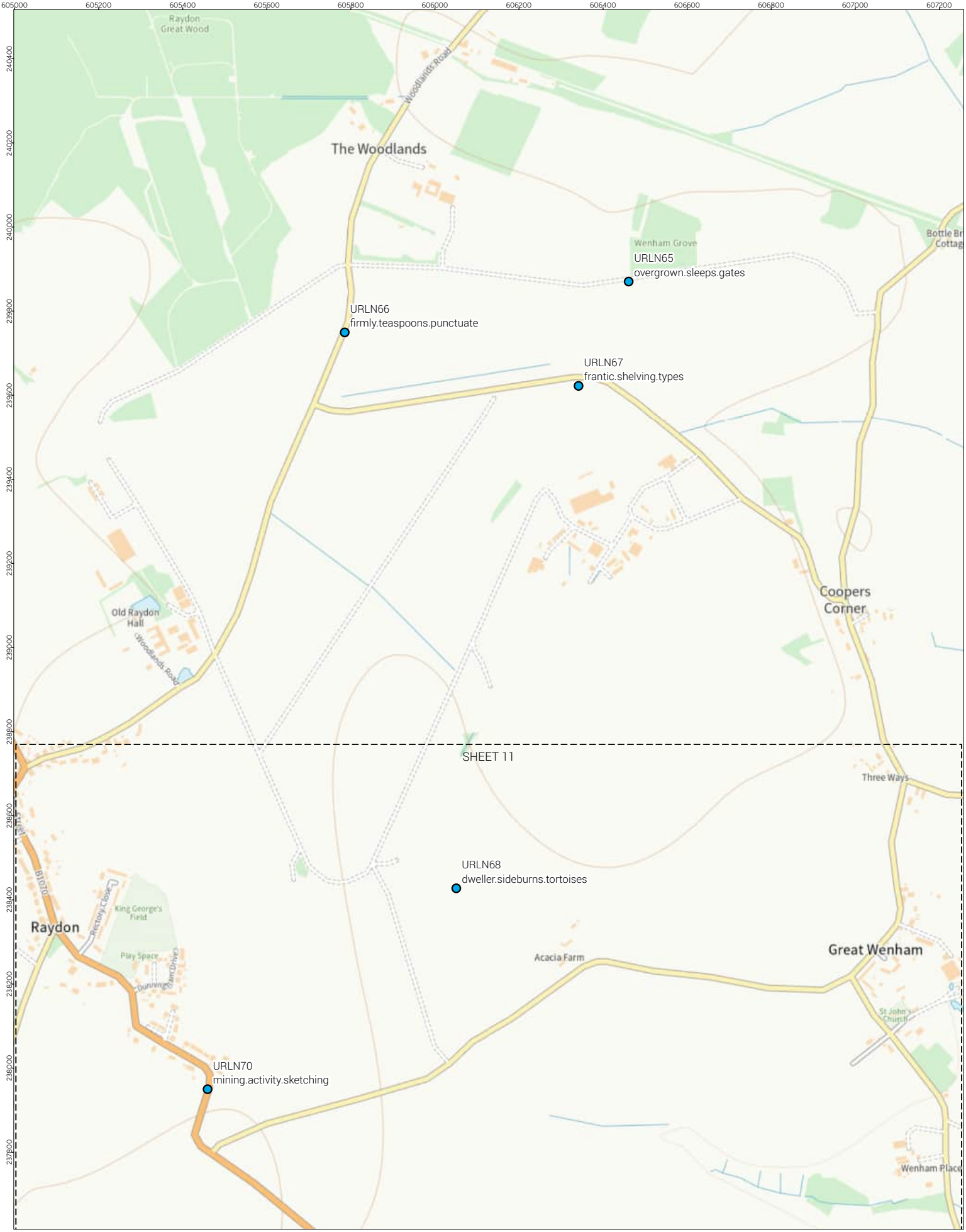

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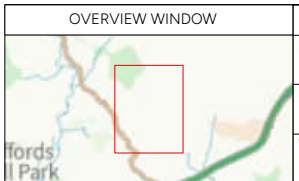

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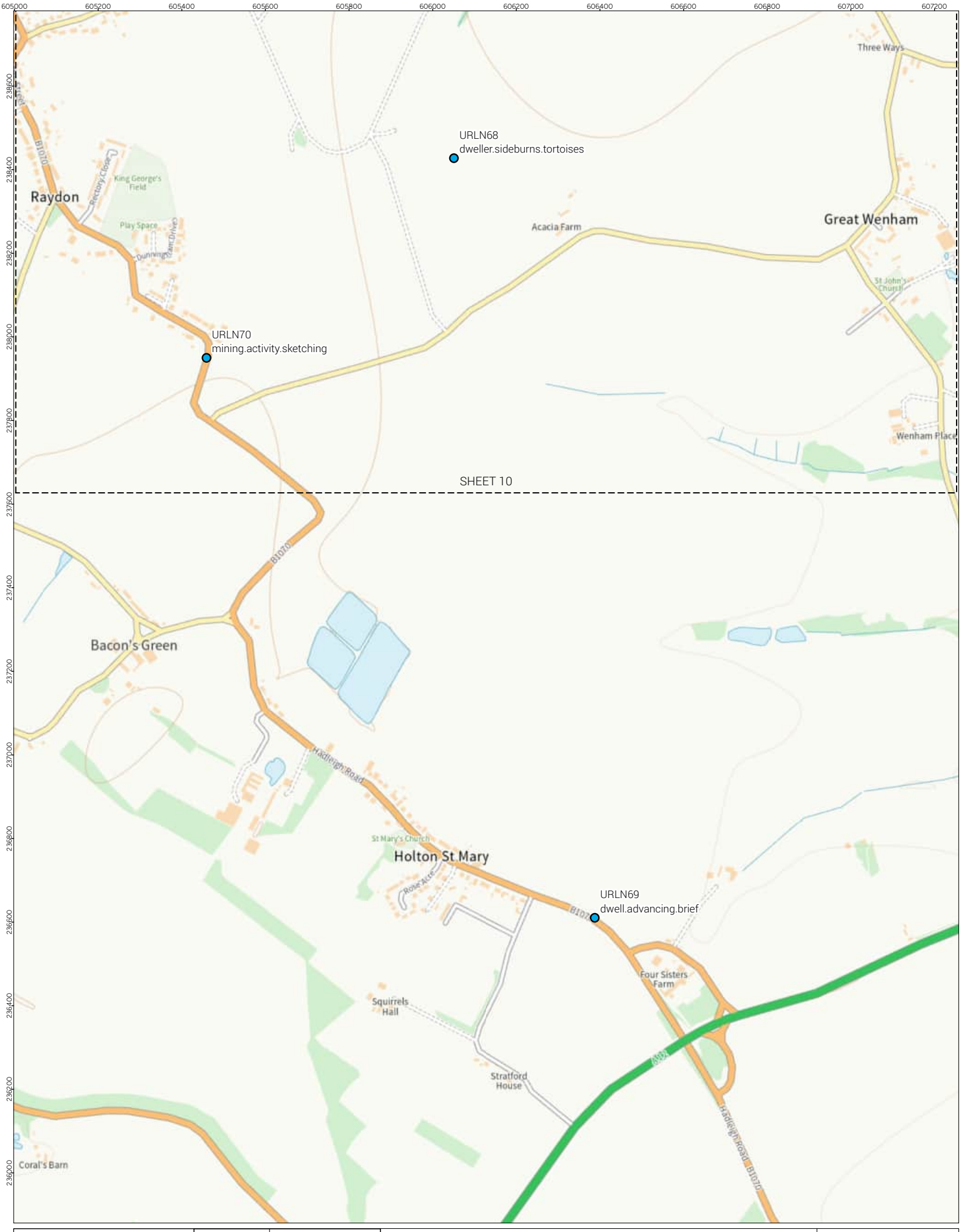

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Targeted consultation

Location reference: Norfolk 1

12 noon 30 January 2025 to 11:59 pm 3 March 2025

Norwich to Tilbury is a proposal for a new electricity transmission connection. It will play an important part in connecting low carbon, more affordable electricity from where it is generated to where it is needed.

From 10 April to 26 July 2024, we held a statutory consultation, inviting local communities, land owners and stakeholders to share their views on our proposals.

Since then, we have been carefully reviewing all the feedback we received as well as considering the findings of ongoing assessment work.

This has identified some places where there is potential to make a change to the proposals we published at our statutory consultation. These potential changes do not materially change the effects or fundamentally change the project as a whole.

We intend to submit our application for development consent in summer 2025. Before we make any decisions, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes near to them.

We are consulting on the proposed changes described below and overleaf between 30 January and 3 March 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing changes to the location of the temporary construction laydown areas on the land around Norwich Main substation and related haul roads. This includes moving the temporary construction laydown areas (shown diagonally hatched in orange on the maps overleaf) to land west of pylons RG3 and RG5. You can see the locations of the temporary construction laydown areas and haul road routes presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024 as well as our proposed changes on the maps overleaf.

These proposed changes would allow our proposals to avoid conflicting with the construction of other proposed developments in the area.

We are also proposing other changes to the temporary works to accommodate the positioning of soil storage and associated landscaping works at Norwich Main substation, as well as other minor amendments to the order limits.

What are the environmental implications of the proposed changes?

The proposed changes would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 consultation.

For more information on environmental implications, please see the Environmental Implications of Change document (EIC) with location reference **Norfolk 1**, where information on the environmental implications of the proposed change is provided and can be read alongside the information contained here.

If you received this leaflet in the post, the EIC will be enclosed. Alternatively, you can view the EIC on our website at **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**.

If, following careful consideration of any feedback we receive, we decide to make this change, baseline information, environmental surveys and assessments associated with this change will be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES) that will form part of our application for a Development Consent Order (DCO).

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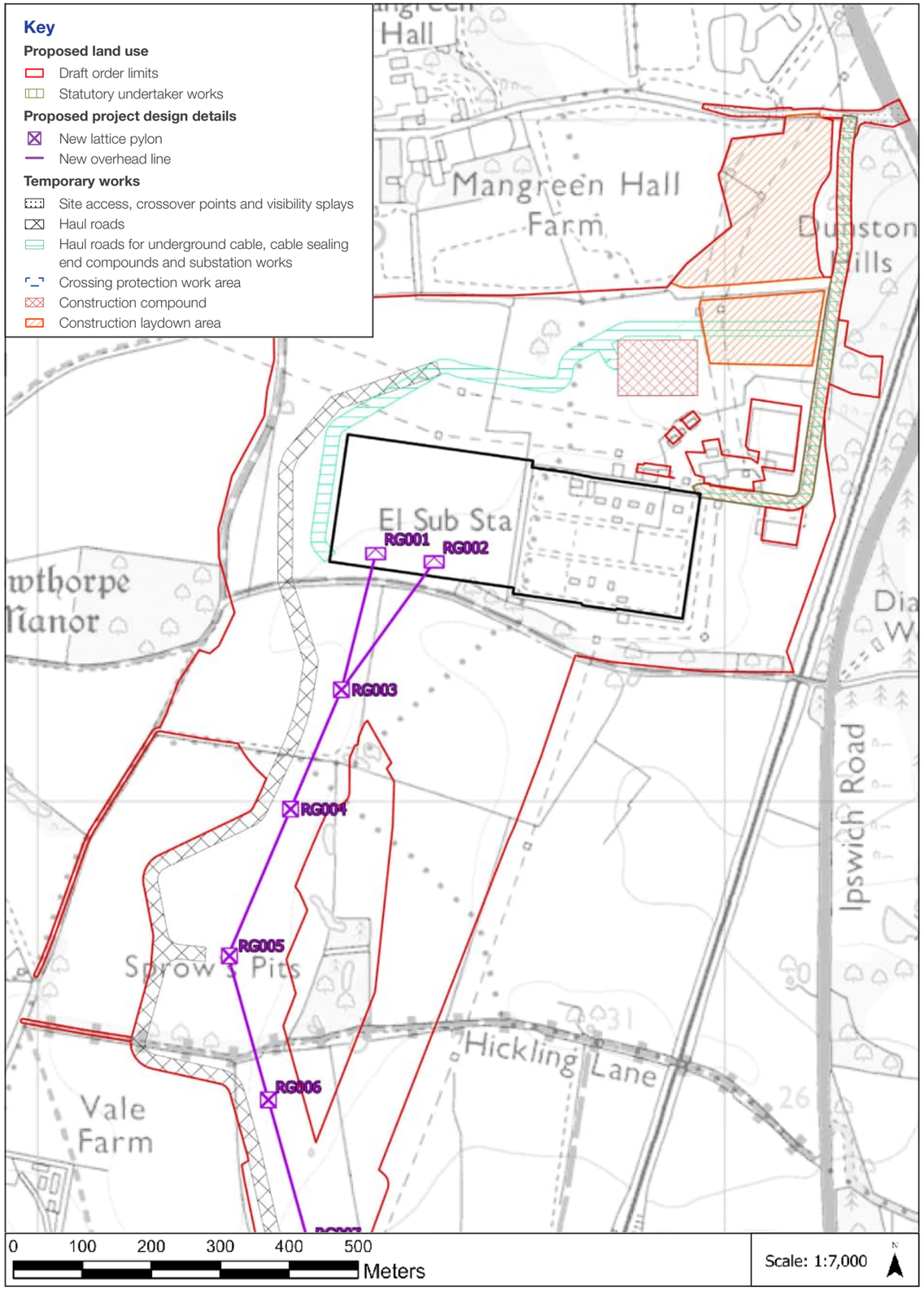

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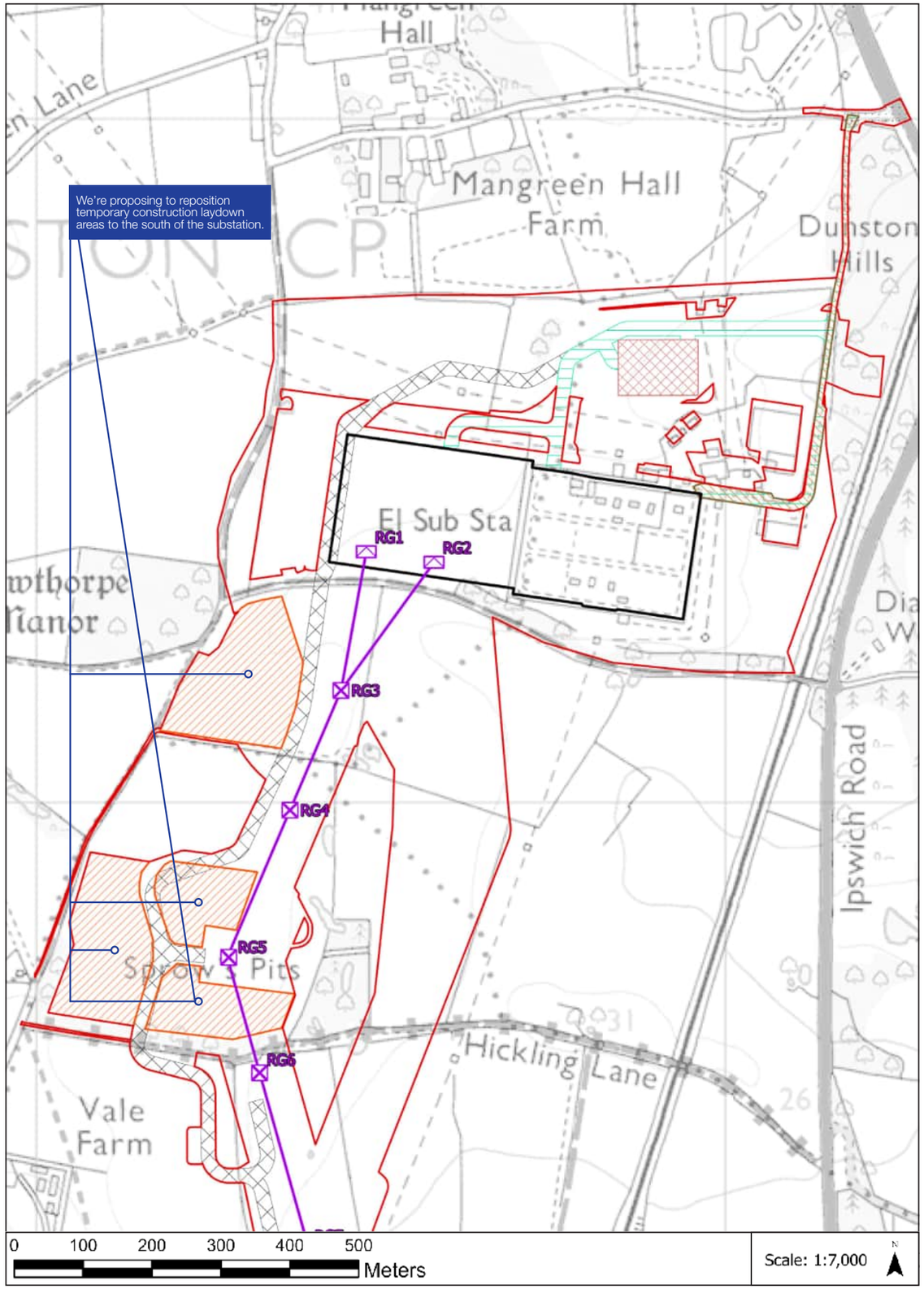

Have your say

Our targeted consultation on the proposed changes at this location runs from **12 noon 30 January 2025 to 11:59 pm 3 March 2025.**

If you have any comments regarding this proposed change, you can provide feedback by using the location reference **Norfolk 1**.

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Visit our website

nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury where you will find maps, consultation materials, and our online feedback questionnaire.

The deadline for feedback is 11:59 pm on 3 March 2025.

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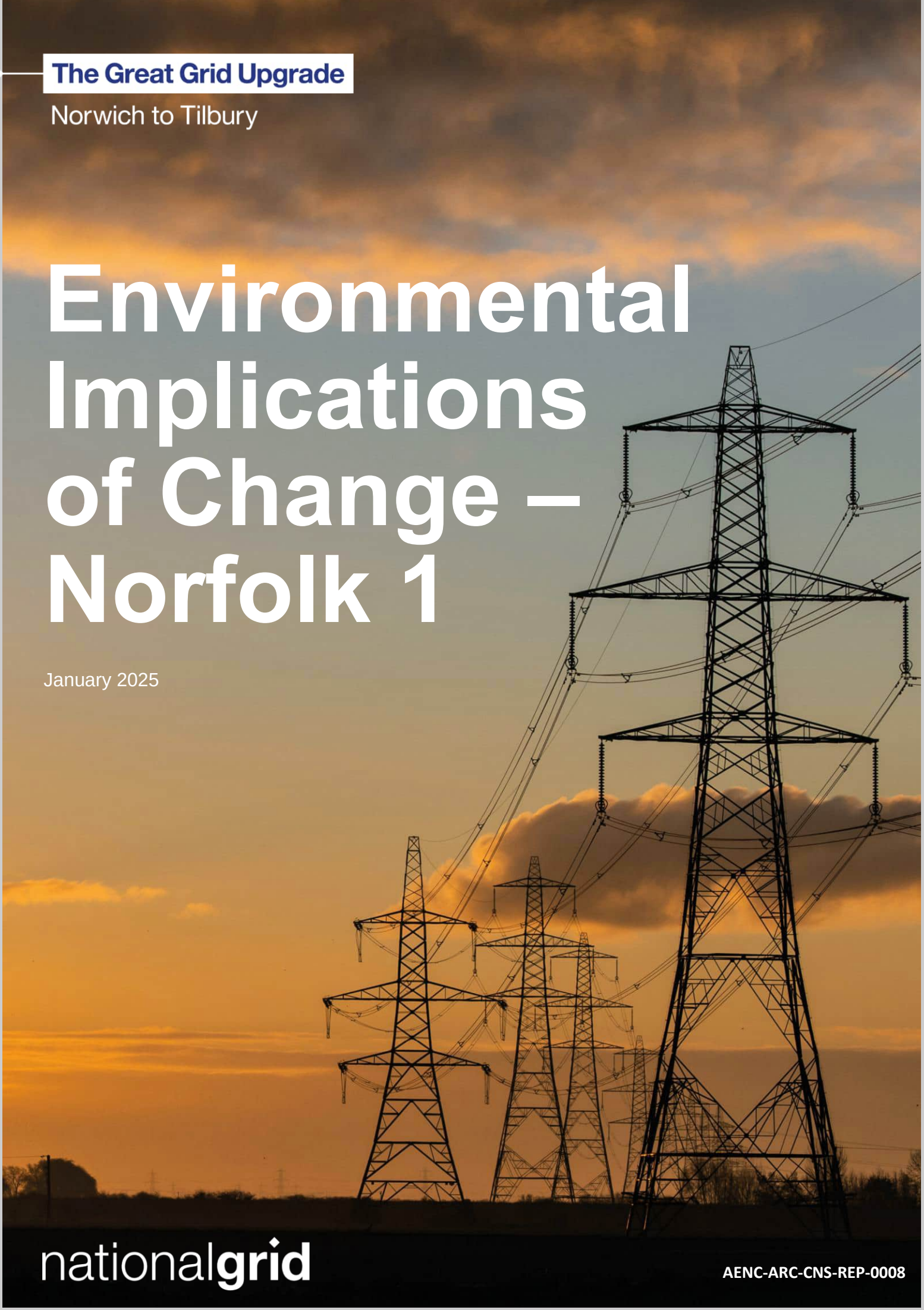
Environmental Implications of Change – Norfolk 1

January 2025



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1. Environmental Implications of Change – Norfolk 1

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 This Environmental Implications of Change document should be read alongside the associated Norfolk 1 targeted consultation leaflet. This Environmental Implications of Change document can also be viewed on the Project website.

1.1.2 Image 1 presents the Statutory Consultation design and the proposed change together with key environmental constraints using the key below.

Image 1: Proposed Change

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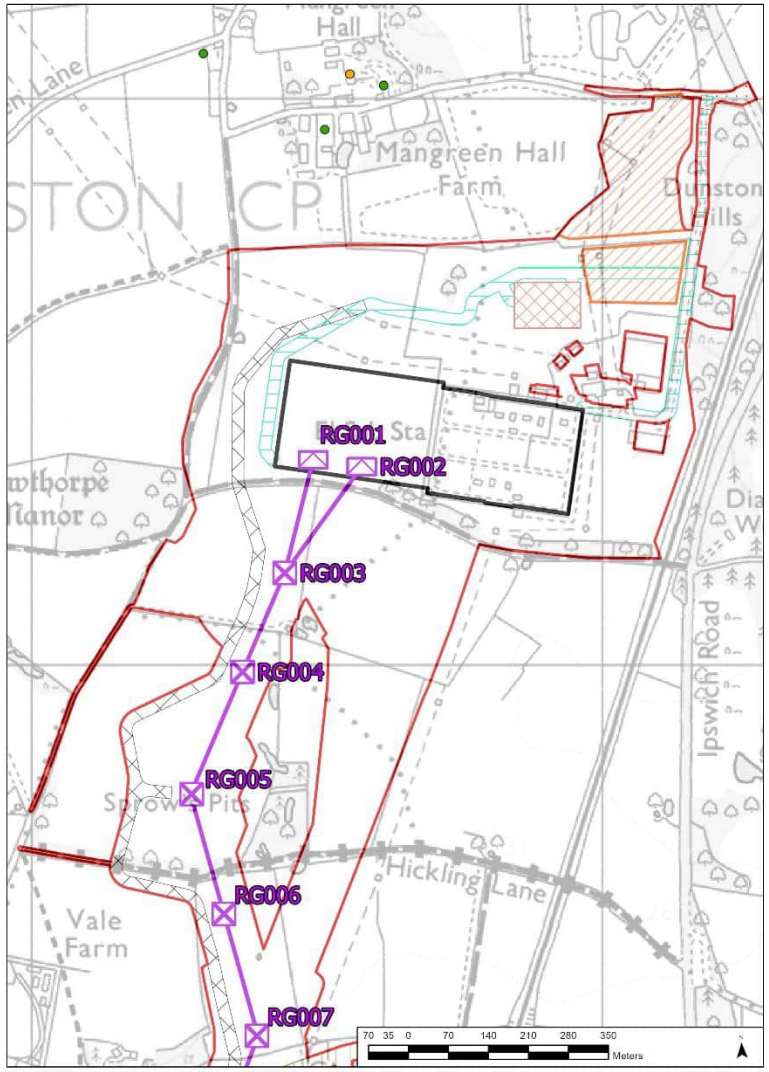

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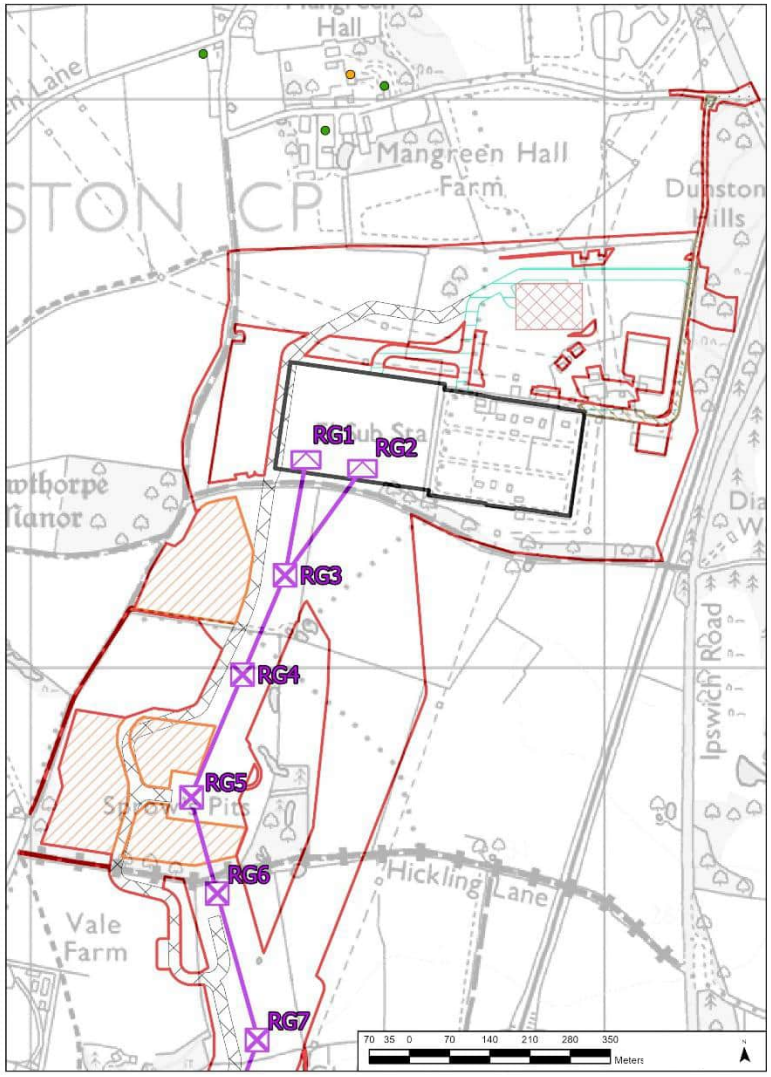

1.2 Environmental Implications of Change

1.2.1 We have reviewed the proposed change set out in the consultation information leaflet and its likely environmental implications against the preliminary assessment reported in the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 statutory consultation. We have undertaken this review against each of the technical topics covered by the PEIR, with respect to this location within the Project, including: agriculture and soils; air quality; ecology and biodiversity; contaminated land, geology and hydrogeology; health and wellbeing; historic environment; hydrology, land drainage and flood risk; landscape and visual; noise and vibration; socio-economics, recreation and tourism; and traffic and transport. We have applied the same methodologies and principles set out in the PEIR based on the information available and recognising that the Project is the subject of ongoing consultation and environmental surveys.

1.2.2 For information on the environmental implications of a change following our review, National Grid has produced an 'Environmental Implications of Change document' (EIC), like this one, with location reference to the specific area where the proposed change is located. The information provided within this EIC is proportionate and appropriate information on the environmental implications when looked at both in local context and in the context of the Project as a whole.

1.2.3 For this specific area of change, having carried out our preliminary assessment, there would be no change to the type or significance of environmental effects as a result of the proposed change when compared to the design and PEIR presented at the summer 2024 statutory consultation.

1.2.4 If, following this latest round of further targeted consultation, the proposed change is taken forward, baseline information (and environmental surveys) and assessment associated with this change in the context of the proposed development as a whole will be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES) that will form part of our application for a Development Consent Order (DCO).

1.3 Conclusion

1.3.1 The proposed change would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the PEIR (National Grid, 2024) which was published for statutory consultation. The PEIR can be viewed here.

1.3.2 If the proposed change is taken forwards, the baseline information (and environmental surveys) and assessment associated with this change would be provided in the ES.

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Targeted consultation

Location reference: Norfolk 2

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From 10 April to 26 July 2024, we held a statutory consultation, inviting local communities, land owners and stakeholders to share their views on our proposals.

Since then, we have been carefully reviewing all the feedback we received as well as considering the findings of ongoing assessment work.

This has identified some places where there is potential to make a change to the proposals we published at our statutory consultation. These potential changes do not materially change the effects or fundamentally change the project as a whole.

We intend to submit our application for development consent in summer 2025. Before we make any decisions, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes near to them.

We are consulting on the proposed changes described below and overleaf between 30 January and 3 March 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing to move a line of pylons near Forncett St Mary to the west of its previous location. You can see both the location presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024 and our currently proposed changes on the maps overleaf. The proposed change would affect the location of the pylons between RG30 and RG39.

This change is being proposed following feedback which asked us to consider if we could:

- reduce potential effects on a site used for flying model aircraft
- reposition the alignment more centrally between residential properties on Northfield Road
- move pylons to field boundaries where practicable.

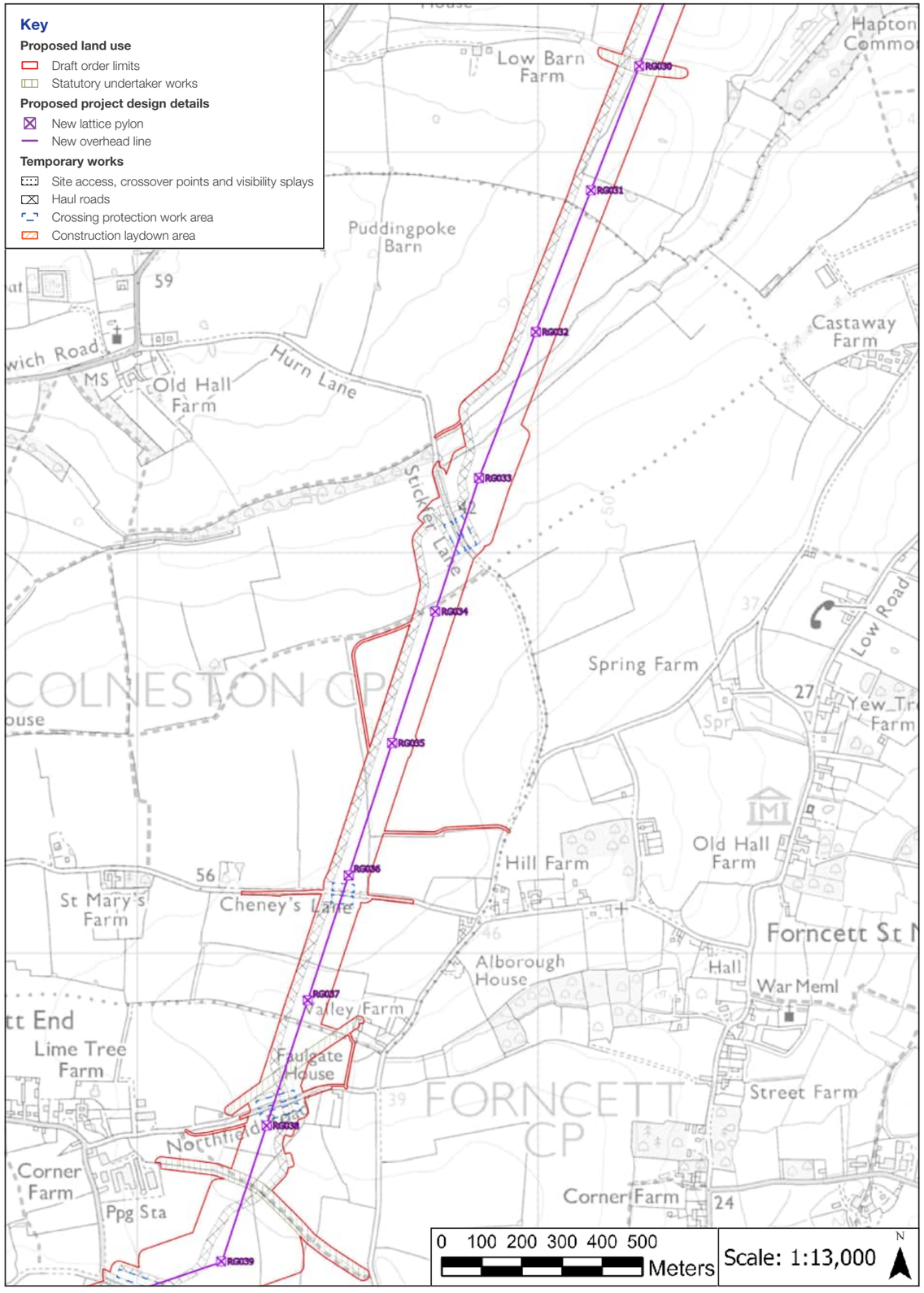
The proposed change in alignment would include RG30 and RG33 becoming angle pylons to help reduce the impacts on the site used for flying model aircraft. Angle pylons are used where the route changes direction. These pylons may be heavier and need larger foundations to carry the stresses of the change of direction.

We also considered repositioning the pylons to the east of the previous route, but this would make the route longer and need more angle pylons, which could increase the visual impact.

Our proposed change would also move pylon RG39 closer to a field boundary and adjust the alignment closer to the mid-point between properties along Northfield Road. To accommodate this change in alignment, we are proposing to move the haul road and the bellmouths – where project traffic would cross public highways or enter the project site - along with other minor amendments to the order limits.

The crossing at Stickfer Lane would move north-west to Hurn Lane in order to follow the pylon alignment, the bellmouth on Cheney's Lane would shift to the east, and the crossing on Northfield Road would move west.

Alignment presented at the 2024 statutory consultation



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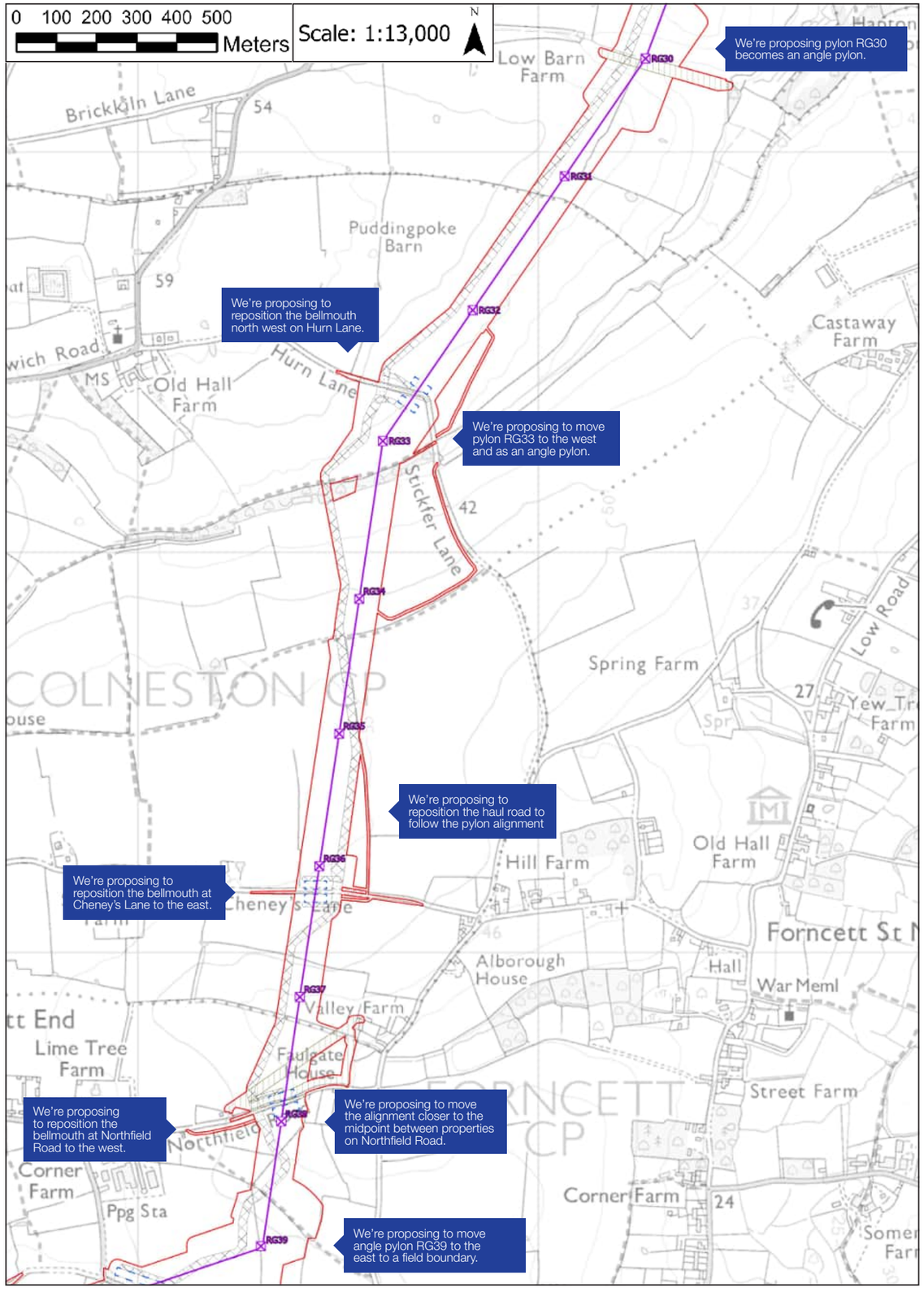

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If, following careful consideration of any feedback we receive, we decide to make this change, baseline information, environmental surveys and assessments associated with this change will be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES) that will form part of our application for a Development Consent Order (DCO).

Have your say

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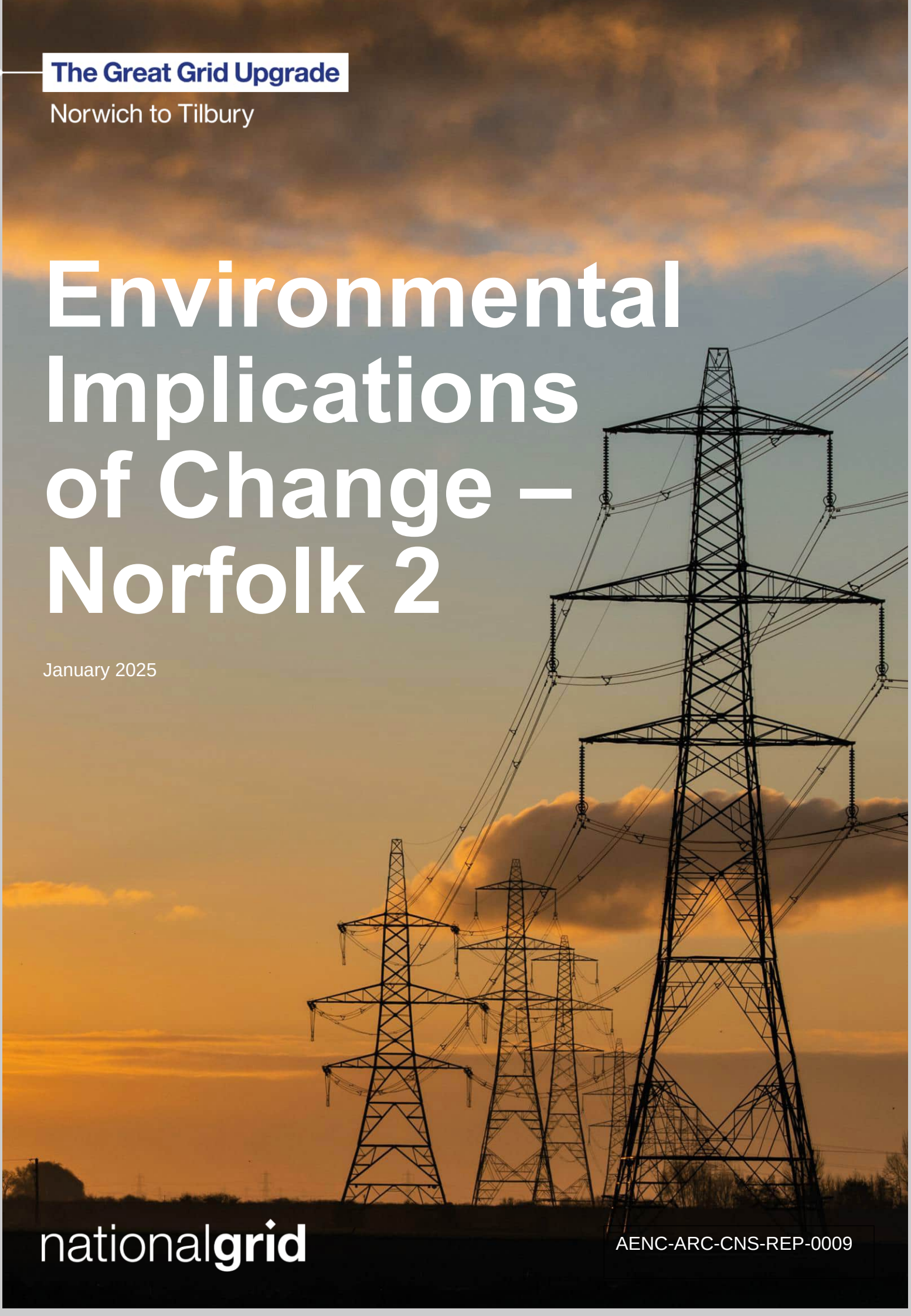

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1. Environmental Implications of Change – Norfolk 2

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 This Environmental Implications of Change document should be read alongside the associated Norfolk 2 targeted consultation leaflet. This Environmental Implications of Change document can also be viewed on the Project website.

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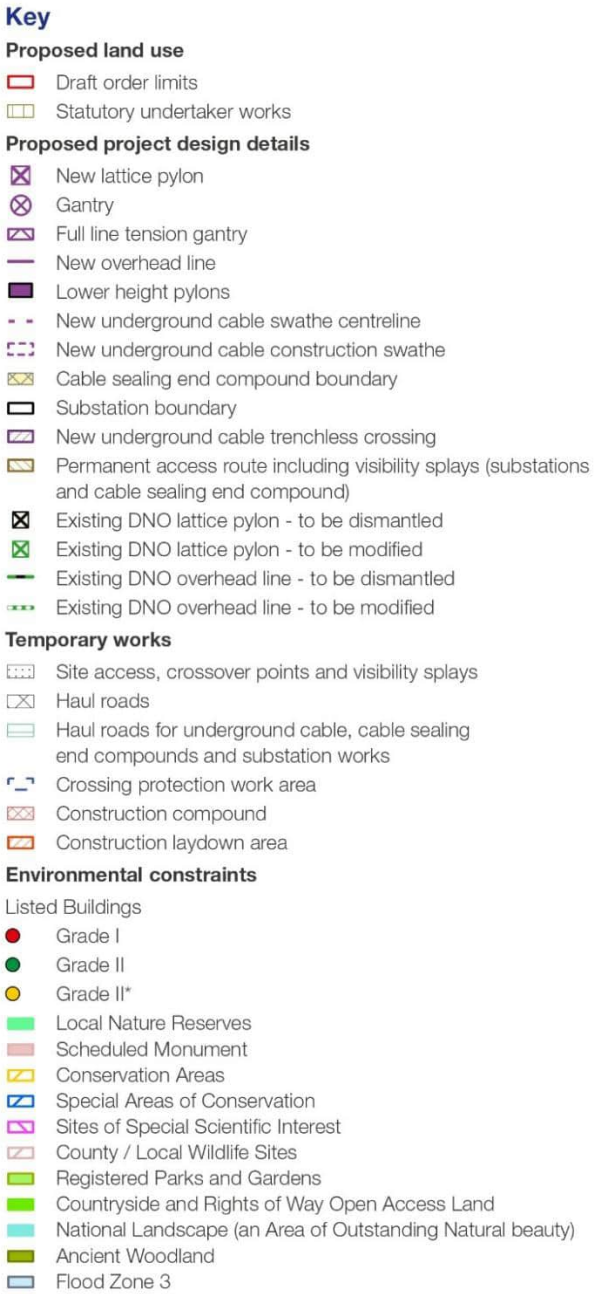

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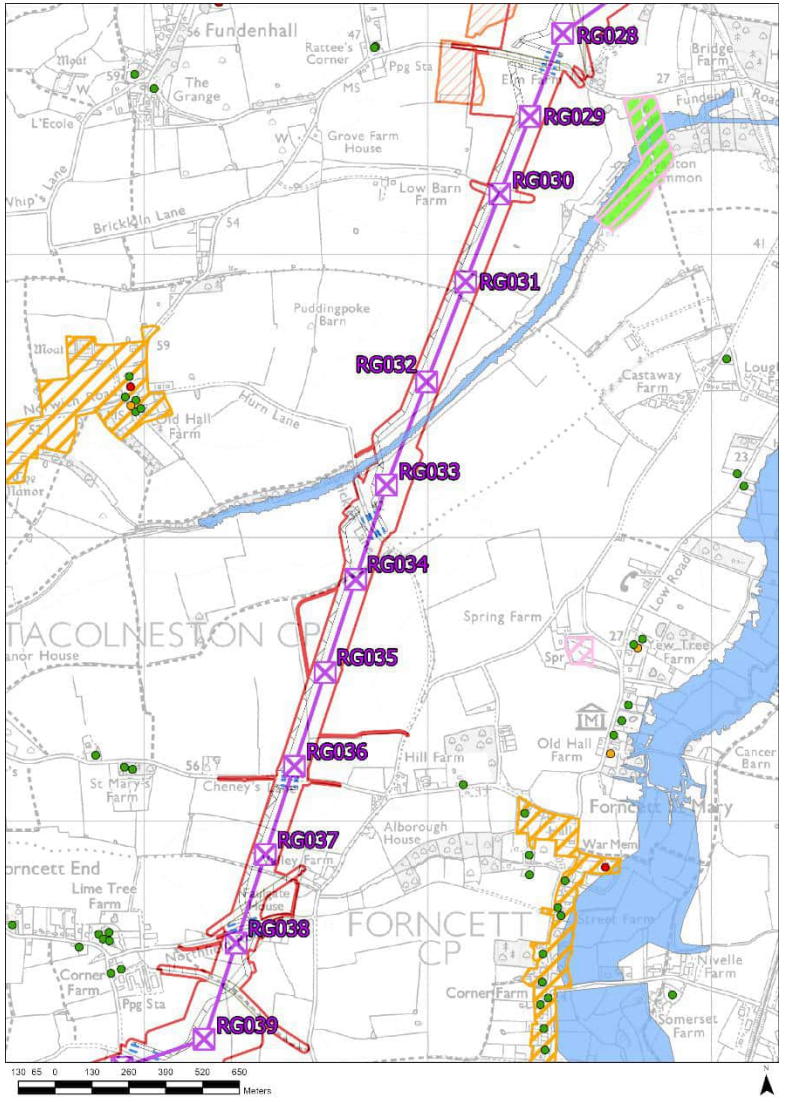

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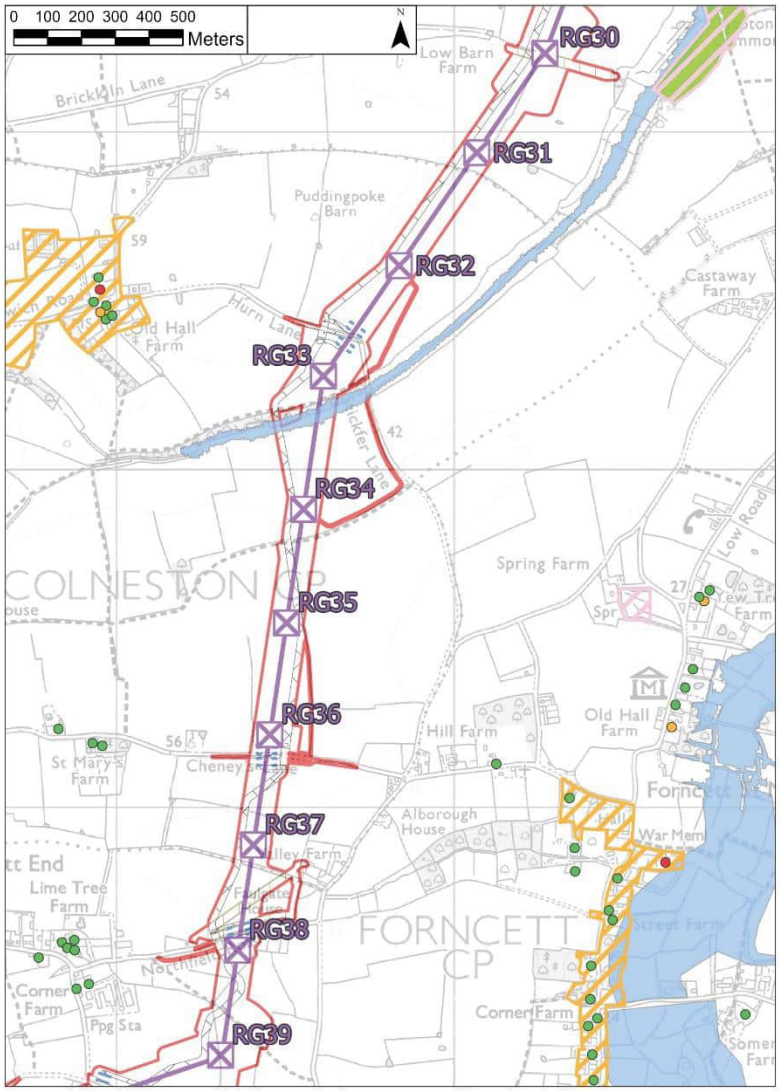

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1.2.2 For information on the environmental implications of a change following our review, National Grid has produced an 'Environmental Implications of Change document' (EIC), like this one, with location reference to the specific area where the proposed change is located.

1.2.3 The table below outlines the environmental implications of a change which is proposed as a result of feedback received during statutory consultation in 2024. The information provided here is proportionate and appropriate information on the environmental implications when looked at both in local context and in the context of the project as a whole.

Environmental Topic	**Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR**
Agriculture and Soils	Indicative mapping shows similar 'Provisional Agricultural Land Classification' grading and soil types as those identified for the design presented at statutory consultation. There would be no change to the type or significance of agriculture and soil effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Air Quality	There would be no change to the type or significance of air quality effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Ecology and Biodiversity	There would be no change to the type or significance of ecology and biodiversity effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Contaminated Land, Geology and Hydrogeology	There would be no change to the type or significance of contaminated land, geology and hydrogeology effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Health and Wellbeing	There would be no change to the type or significance of health and wellbeing effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

Environmental Topic	Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR
Historic Environment	The proposed change would move the alignment closer to Tacolneston conservation area and listed buildings and slightly closer to the conservation area and listed buildings at Forncett St Peter/St Mary, potentially increasing negative effects. However, the alignment would be further from listed buildings at Forncett End. There would be no change to the type or significance of historic environment effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Hydrology, Land Drainage and Flood Risk	There would be no change to the type or significance of hydrology, land drainage and flood risk effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Landscape and Visual	The proposed change would include two additional angle pylons. It would also bring the alignment slightly closer to Tacolneston in the north but slightly further away from a cluster of community around Aldborough House in the south. The proposed change would also bring the alignment closer to the garden of a residential property to the east and slightly further from a property to the west, however it would be almost equidistant between both properties themselves. Both residential properties would be within approximately 150 m of the alignment and the design presented at statutory consultation, therefore there are no major differences. The proposed change would increase negative effects on users of a Public Right of Way (PRoW) to the north-east of Tacolneston where the proposed alignment would oversail the PRoW and adjacent vegetation would be lost. Overall, there would be no change to the type or significance of landscape and visual effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Noise and Vibration	There would be no change to the type or significance of noise and vibration effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Socio-economics, Recreation and Tourism	The proposed change would bring the alignment closer to Low Barn Farm (a wedding venue). However, the proposed change is also likely to benefit the users of the South Norfolk Model Flying Club where a 300 m buffer can be kept between the flight path and the overhead line for safety reasons. There would be no change to the type or significance of socio-economic, recreation and tourism effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation
Traffic and Transport	There would be no change to the type or significance of traffic and transport effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

1.3 Conclusion

1.3.1 The proposed change would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the PEIR (National Grid, 2024) which was published for statutory consultation. The PEIR can be viewed here.

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What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing to reposition a line of pylons between Tibenham and Bunwell Hill to the west of the location that was proposed at our statutory consultation in summer 2024. The proposed change would affect the location of the pylons between RG46 and RG52. You can see the alignment presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024 and our proposed changes on the maps overleaf.

This change is being proposed in response to consultation feedback which asked us to consider:

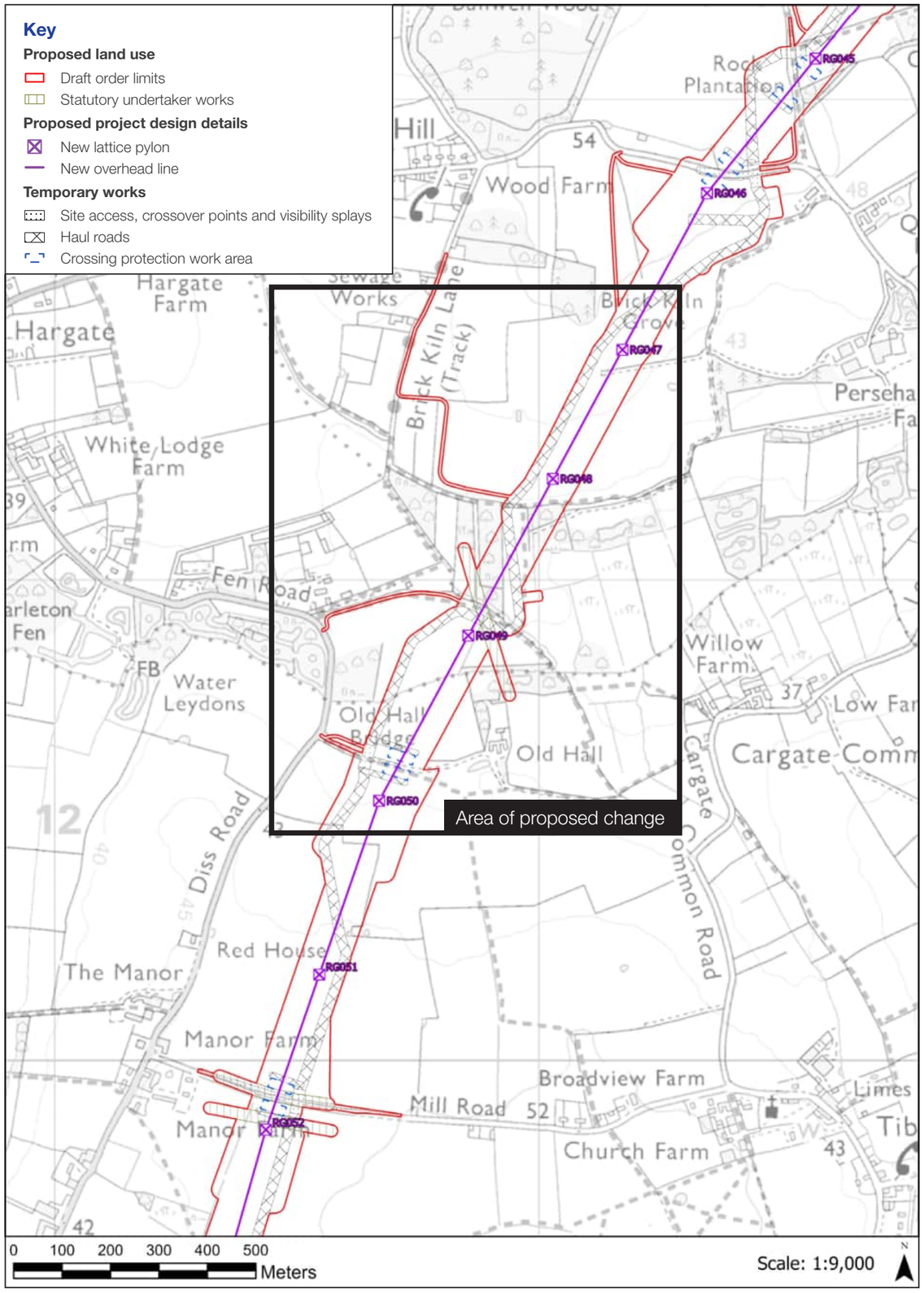
- avoiding a veteran tree and active Honey Bee population
- using existing tracks for access to reduce impact on arable land
- reducing effects on an area of grassland considered particularly important to farm activities.

We are proposing that pylons RG48 and RG49 would be relocated roughly 60 m to the west of the location presented at statutory consultation in 2024, and associated pylons to the north and south would also be slightly adjusted. This would also avoid a veteran tree. To accommodate this change, pylon RG48 would become an angle pylon. Angle pylons are used where the route changes direction. These pylons may be heavier and need larger foundations to carry the stresses of the change of direction.

This proposed change would also require several changes to related temporary and permanent accesses - along with other minor amendments to the order limits. The proposed permanent access would use a longer stretch of Brick Kiln Lane and, instead of creating a new access off to the east through farmland, would make use of an existing track, which is located along the northern edge of existing woodland.

We would also reposition the haul road to follow this amended alignment. The haul road alongside RG48 and RG49 would be repositioned west to an area of the woodland which was previously cleared. This would allow the haul road to avoid a field used for livestock over-wintering and would limit the amount of tree removal required. The temporary access to the north and south would also be repositioned to follow the alignment. This would move the bellmouth where project traffic would cross the lane leading to Old Hall to a location 100 m further east from the location presented at statutory consultation in summer 2024.

Alignment presented at the 2024 statutory consultation



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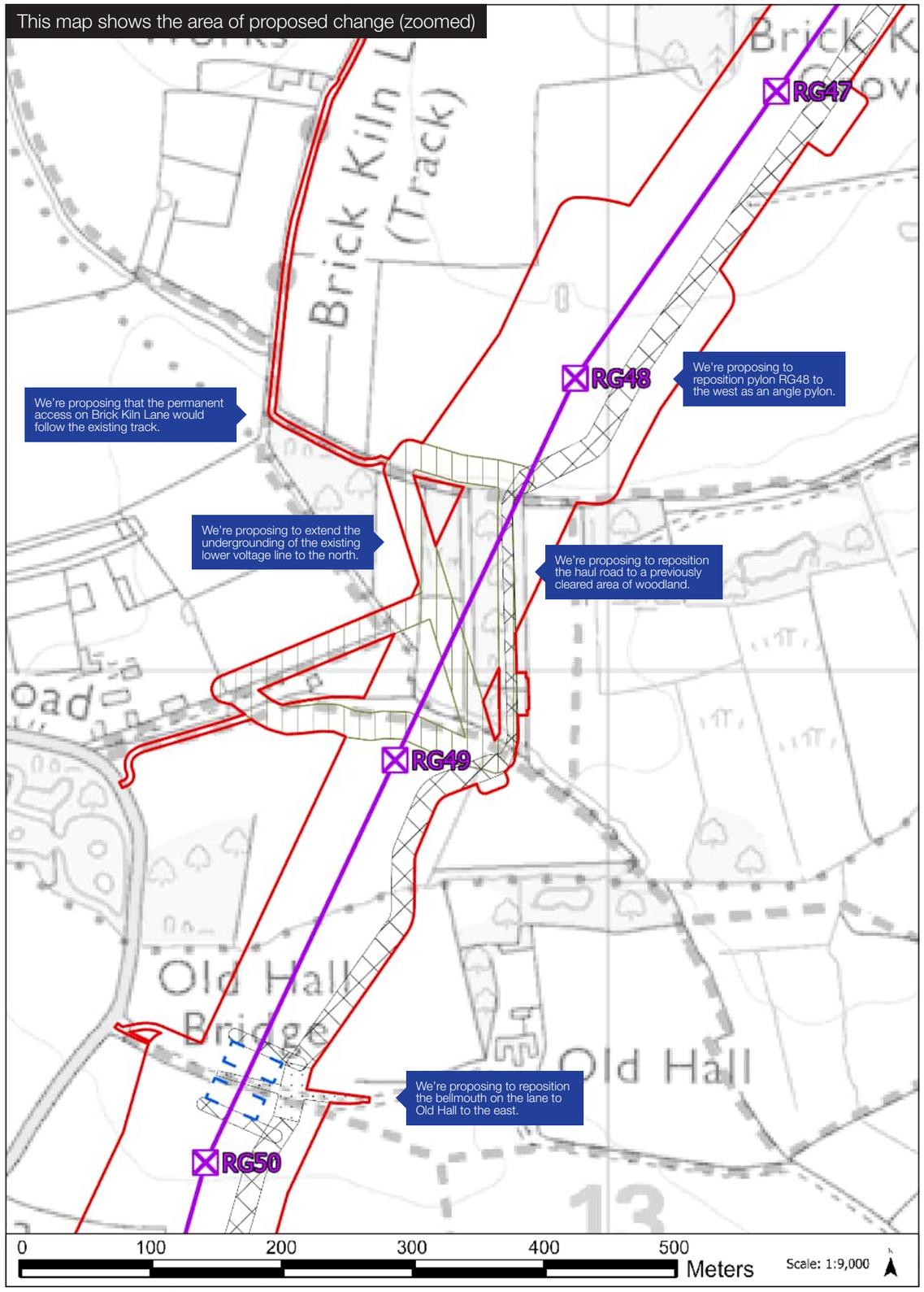

We are also proposing to amend our proposals to replace a section of the existing lower voltage electricity overhead line with underground cables. The removal of the wooden poles between RG48 and RG49 would be extended further north to the field boundary, with more wooden poles remaining to the south than was proposed at our statutory consultation in summer 2024. The proposed underground cables would follow field boundaries and the haul road alignment to minimise the need for tree removal.

What are the environmental implications of the proposed changes?

The proposed changes would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the Preliminary Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 consultation.

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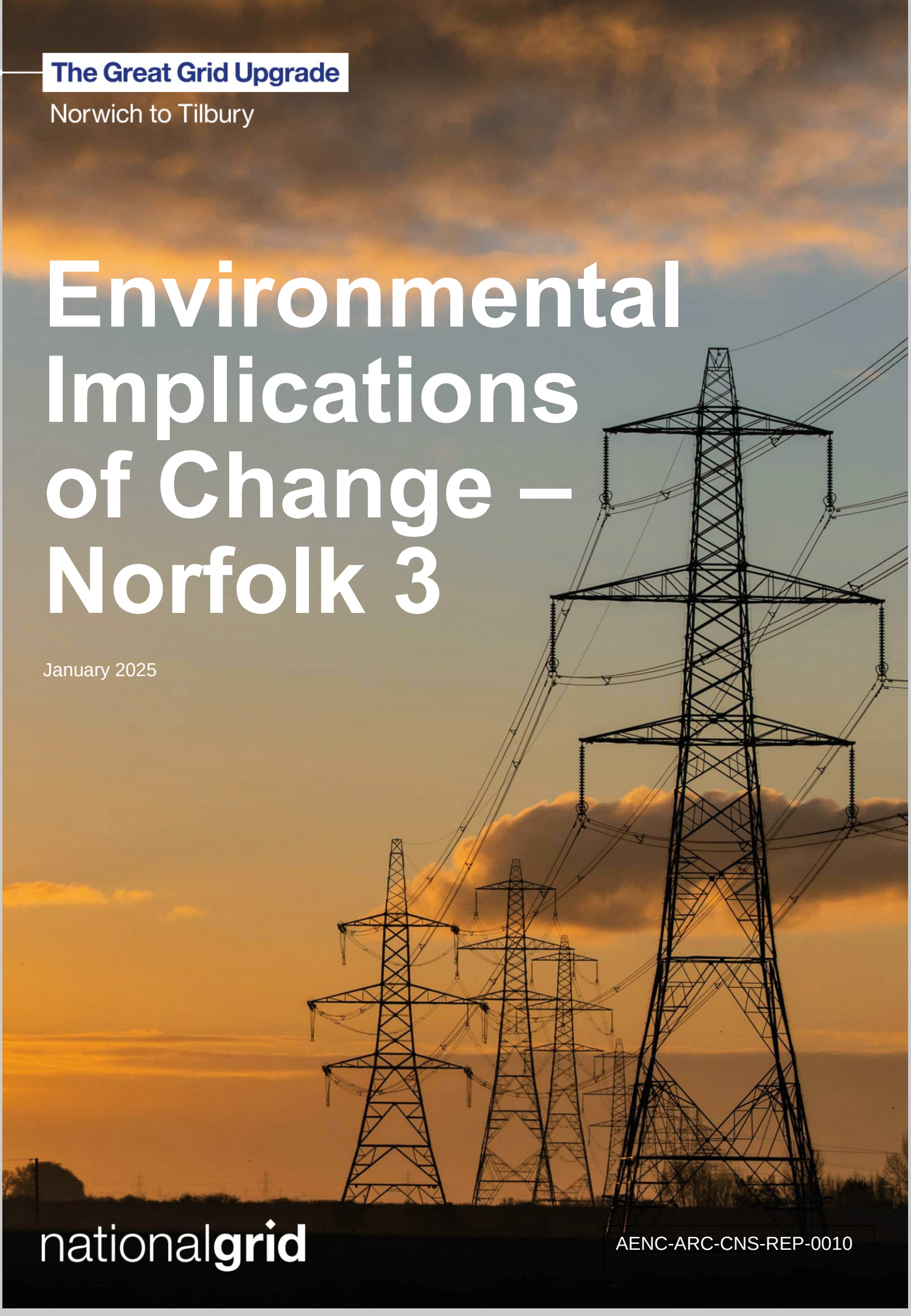
Environmental Implications of Change – Norfolk 3

January 2025



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1. Environmental Implications of Change – Norfolk 3

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 This Environmental Implications of Change document should be read alongside the associated Norfolk 3 targeted consultation leaflet. This Environmental Implications of Change document can also be viewed on the Project website.

Image 1 presents the Statutory Consultation design and the proposed change together with key environmental constraints using the key below.

Image 1: Proposed Change

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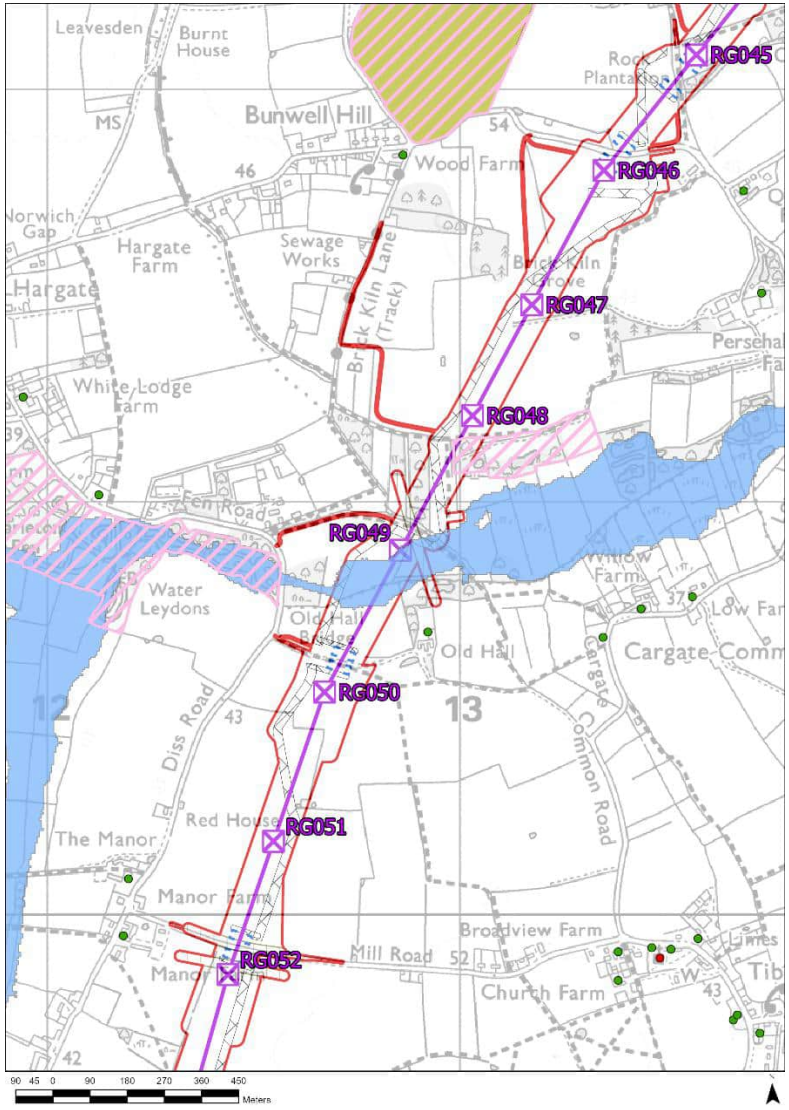

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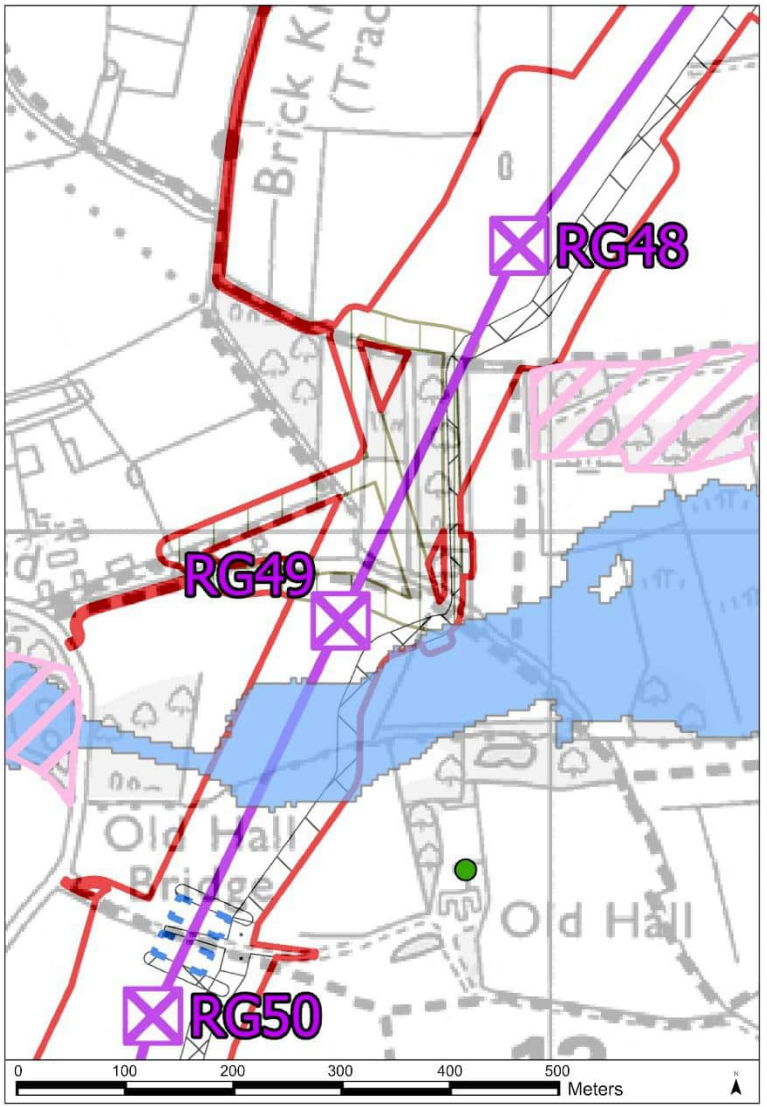

1.2 Environmental Implications of Change

1.2.1 We have reviewed the proposed change set out in the consultation information leaflet and its likely environmental implications against the preliminary assessment reported in the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 statutory consultation. We have undertaken this review against each of the technical topics covered by the PEIR, with respect to this location within the Project, including: agriculture and soils; air quality; ecology and biodiversity; contaminated land, geology and hydrogeology; health and wellbeing; historic environment; hydrology, land drainage and flood risk; landscape and visual; noise and vibration; socio-economics, recreation and tourism; and traffic and transport. We have applied the same methodologies and principles set out in the PEIR based on the information available and recognising that the Project is the subject of ongoing consultation and environmental surveys.

1.2.2 For information on the environmental implications of a change following our review, National Grid has produced an 'Environmental Implications of Change document' (EIC), like this one, with location reference to the specific area where the proposed change is located.

1.2.3 The table below outlines the environmental implications of a change which is proposed as a result of feedback received during statutory consultation in 2024. The information provided here is proportionate and appropriate information on the environmental implications when looked at both in local context and in the context of the project as a whole.

Environmental Topic	**Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR**
Agriculture and Soils	Indicative mapping shows similar 'Provisional Agricultural Land Classification' grading and soil types to those identified for the design presented at statutory consultation. There would be no change to the type or significance of agriculture and soil effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Air Quality	There would be no change to the type or significance of air quality effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Ecology and Biodiversity	The proposed change would be expected to have similar effects when compared to the design presented at statutory consultation, although the alignment under the proposed change would avoid the County Wildlife Site. The proposed alignment change is in close proximity to Brick Kiln Grove priority woodland. Overall, there would be no change to the type or significance of ecology and biodiversity effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

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Contaminated Land, Geology and Hydrogeology	There would be no change to the type or significance of contaminated land, geology or hydrogeology effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Health and Wellbeing	There would be no change to the type or significance of health and wellbeing effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Historic Environment	There would be no change to the type or significance of historic environment effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Hydrology, Land Drainage and Flood Risk	The proposed change would move a pylon out of Flood Zones 2 and 3 which would be beneficial. However, there would be no change to the type or overall significance of hydrology, land drainage and flood risk effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Landscape and Visual	The alignment under the proposed change would be further from some properties to the east (including Old Hall Farm), but closer to properties in the west (including properties on the eastern edge of Bunwell Hill, and Mere Farm). Construction works for the proposed change would be marginally further away from a veteran tree identified than the construction design presented at statutory consultation in 2024. There would be no change to the type or significance of landscape and visual effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Noise and Vibration	There would be no change to the type or significance of noise and vibration effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Socio-economics, Recreation and Tourism	There would be no change to the type or significance of socio-economic, recreation and tourism effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Traffic and Transport	There would be no change to the type or significance of traffic and transport effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

1.3 Conclusion

1.3.1 The proposed change would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the PEIR (National Grid, 2024) which was published for statutory consultation. The PEIR can be viewed here.

1.3.2 If the proposed change is taken forwards, the baseline information (and environmental surveys) and assessment associated with this change would be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES).

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Targeted consultation

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What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing to relocate a temporary construction laydown area near Winfarthing, to the south of the location that was proposed at our statutory consultation in summer 2024. The temporary laydown area would be relocated south of the B1134 close to RG58. The proposed change would not affect the overhead alignment. You can see the previous location of the temporary construction laydown area as well as our proposed changes on the maps overleaf.

This change is being proposed following consideration of the findings from geophysics surveys in spring 2024 which identified important buried heritage assets on the land to the north of the B1134.

Access for the temporary construction laydown area would still be from the B1134, as was presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024. We are also proposing other minor amendments to the order limits.

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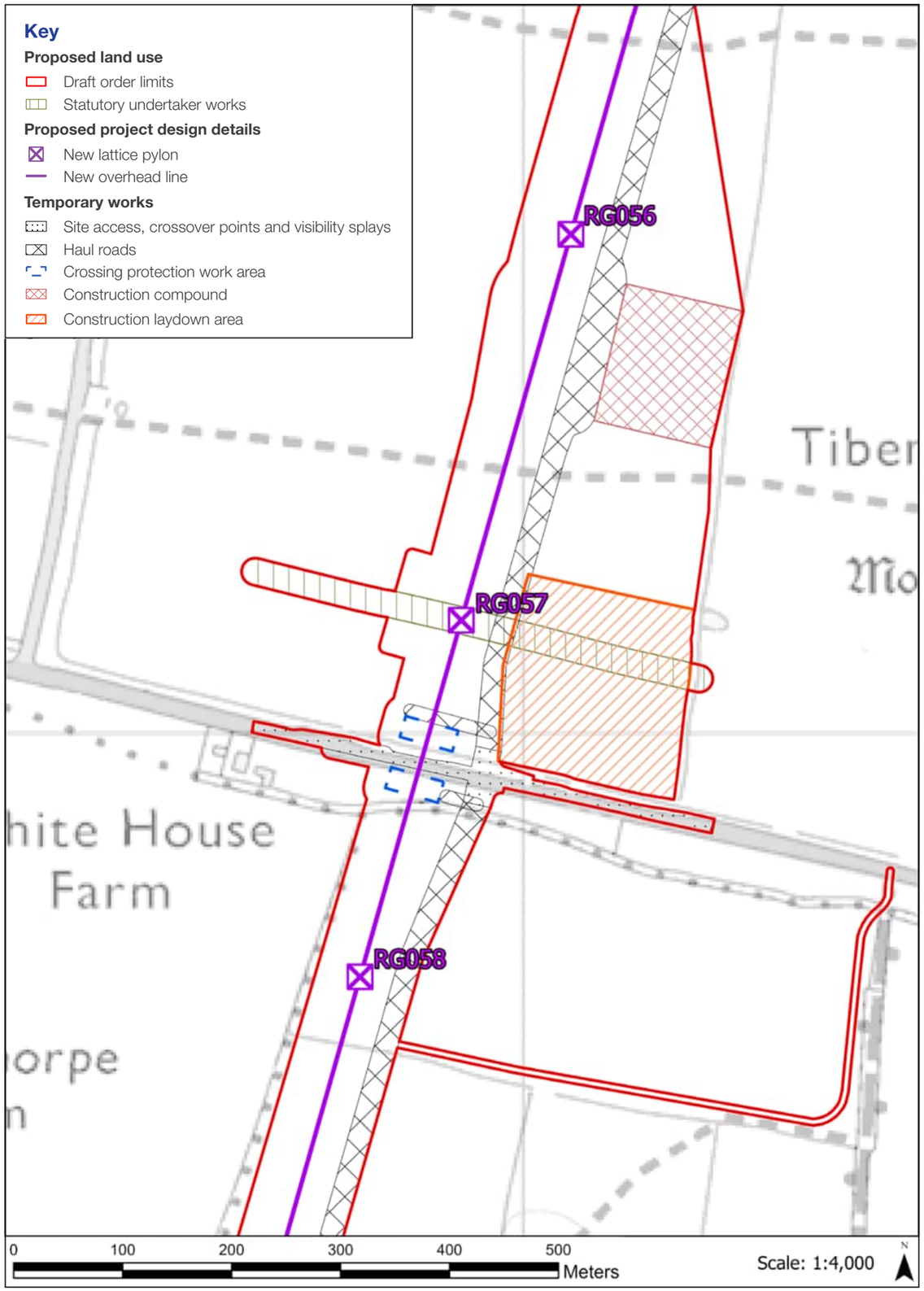

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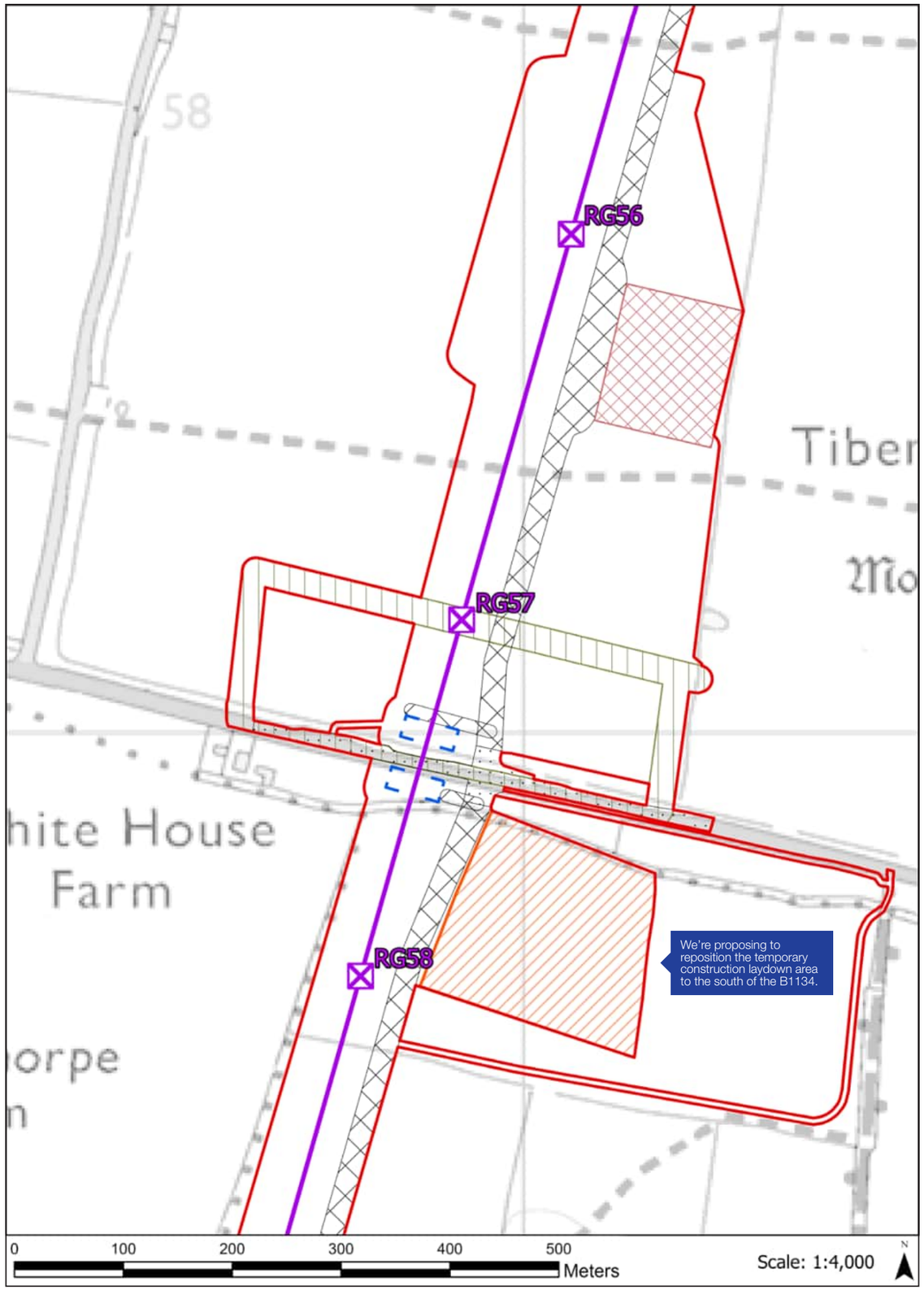

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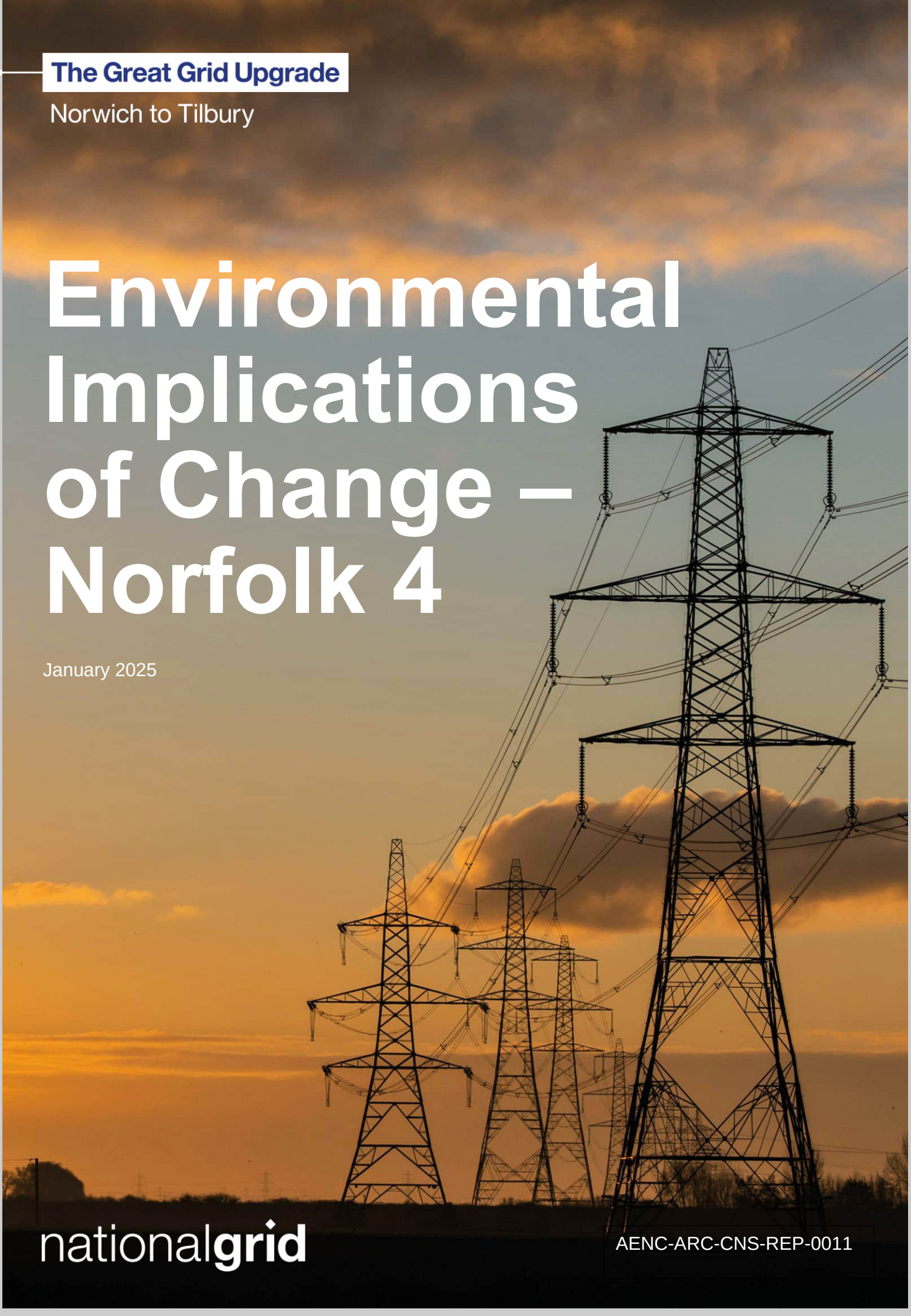

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1. Environmental Implications of Change – Norfolk 4

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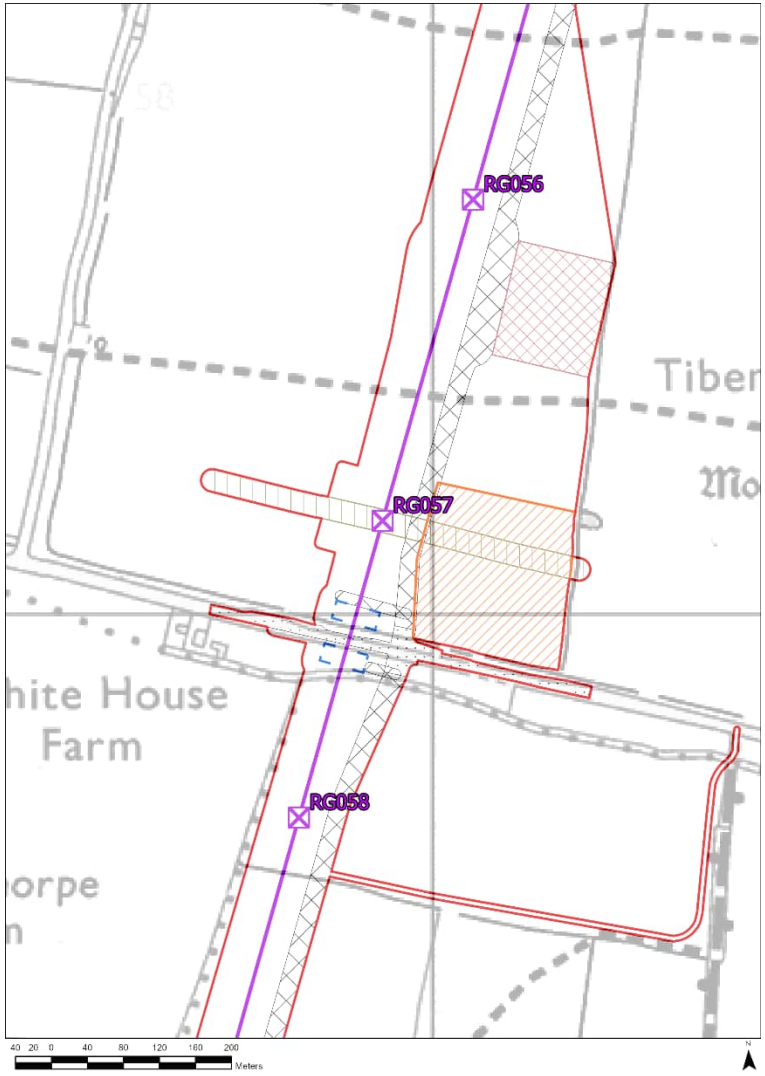

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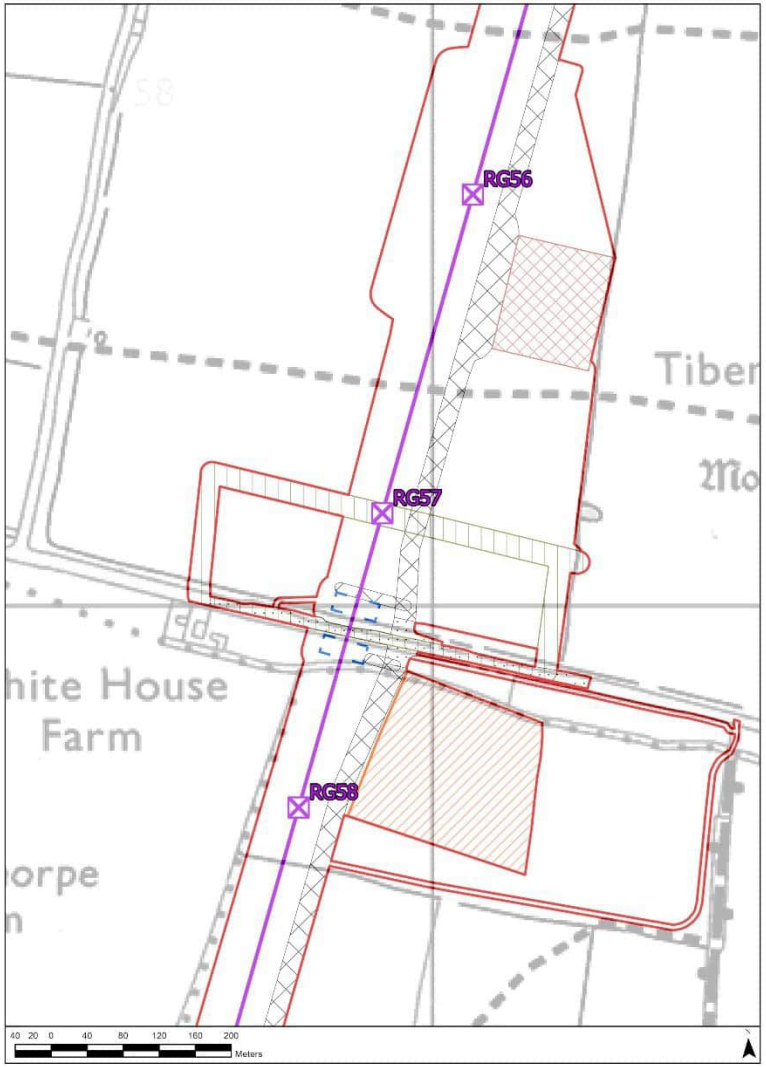

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Health and Wellbeing	There would be no change to the type or significance of health and wellbeing effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Historic Environment	The proposed change of the location of the temporary construction laydown area would reduce impact to archaeological remains. The location of the temporary laydown area at statutory consultation was in

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	an area where survey data indicated high potential for archaeology of probable medieval date. The proposed new location has low potential for archaeology and would therefore be considered preferable. This would reduce impacts and would not result in a change to the type or significance of historic environment effects.
Hydrology, Land Drainage and Flood Risk	There would be no change to the type or significance of hydrology, land drainage and flood risk effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
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What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing to reposition a line of pylons between Palgrave and Mellis to the south-east of the location that was proposed at our statutory consultation in summer 2024. You can see both the alignment presented at our consultation in summer 2024 and our proposed changes on the maps overleaf. This would affect the pylons between RG94 and RG102 (previously presented at statutory consultation as RG095 and RG102).

This is in response to consultation feedback which asked us to consider if we could:

- adjust the alignment to follow more of the existing 132kV route for a longer distance to reduce visual effects
- remove more of the 132kV overhead line to reduce cumulative effects
- reposition pylons to reduce potential effects on an airstrip.

The proposed change would include removing approximately a further 2 km of the 132 kV pylon line and replacing it with underground cable (with the total length of underground cable increased to around 5 km in this section), routed where possible to follow field boundaries. This would allow pylons RG95 to RG101 to more closely follow the alignment of the existing 132 kV line. This would reduce visual impact through positioning of the line using existing trees to screen views. We propose that from RG94 (previously presented during statutory consultation as RG095), the line would go south before turning southwest and following the existing 132kV line alignment before connecting to RG102 at a slightly reduced angle.

This change would reduce visual impact on nearby properties and allow flight activity at the nearby airstrip to continue.

Alongside the alignment shift, the proposed change would also require amendments to temporary and permanent access arrangements along with other minor amendments to the order limits. We are proposing to reposition the temporary construction compound and the associated construction access further north towards the A143.

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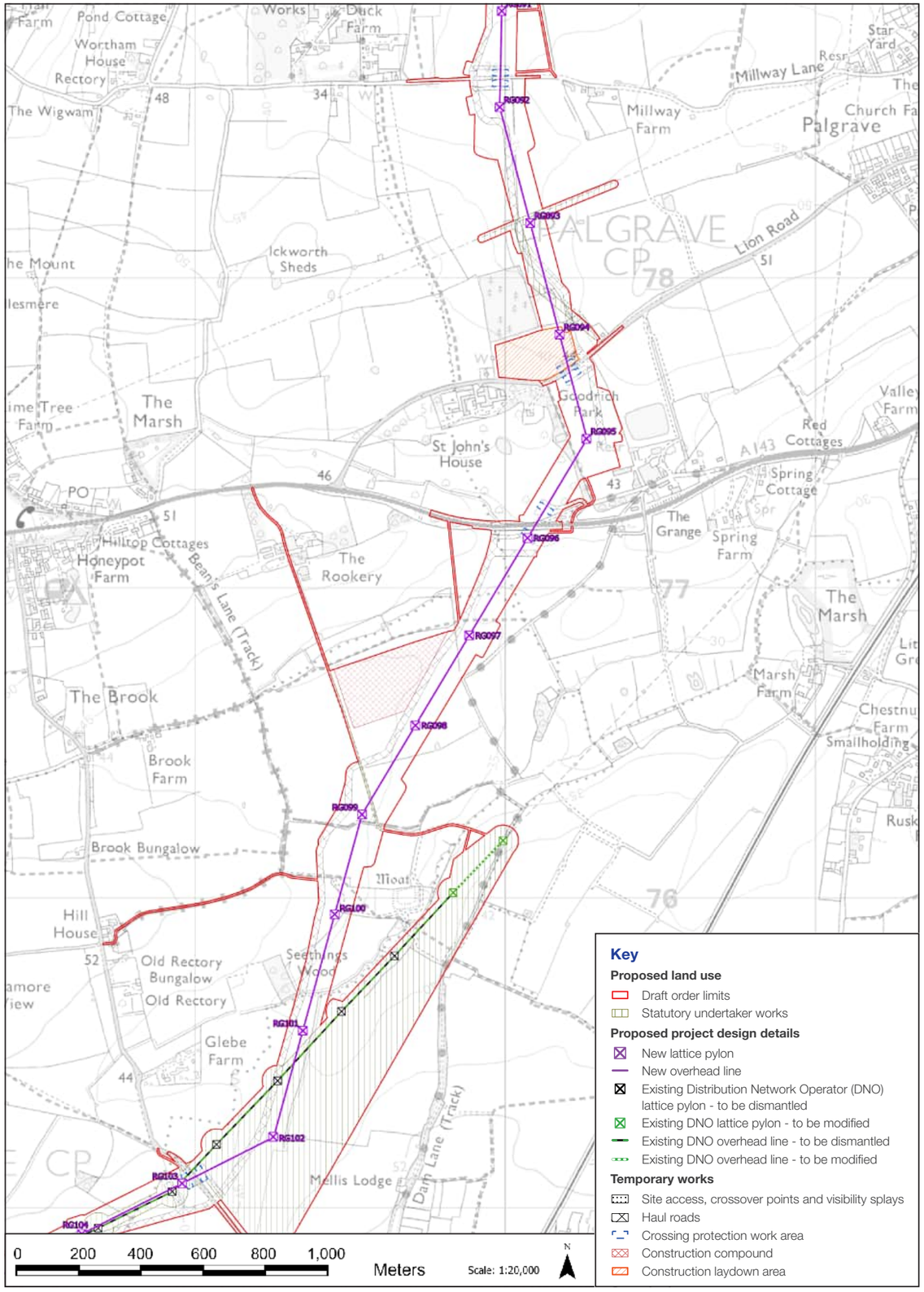
Alignment presented at the 2024 statutory consultation



Key

Proposed land use
- Draft order limits
- Statutory undertaker works

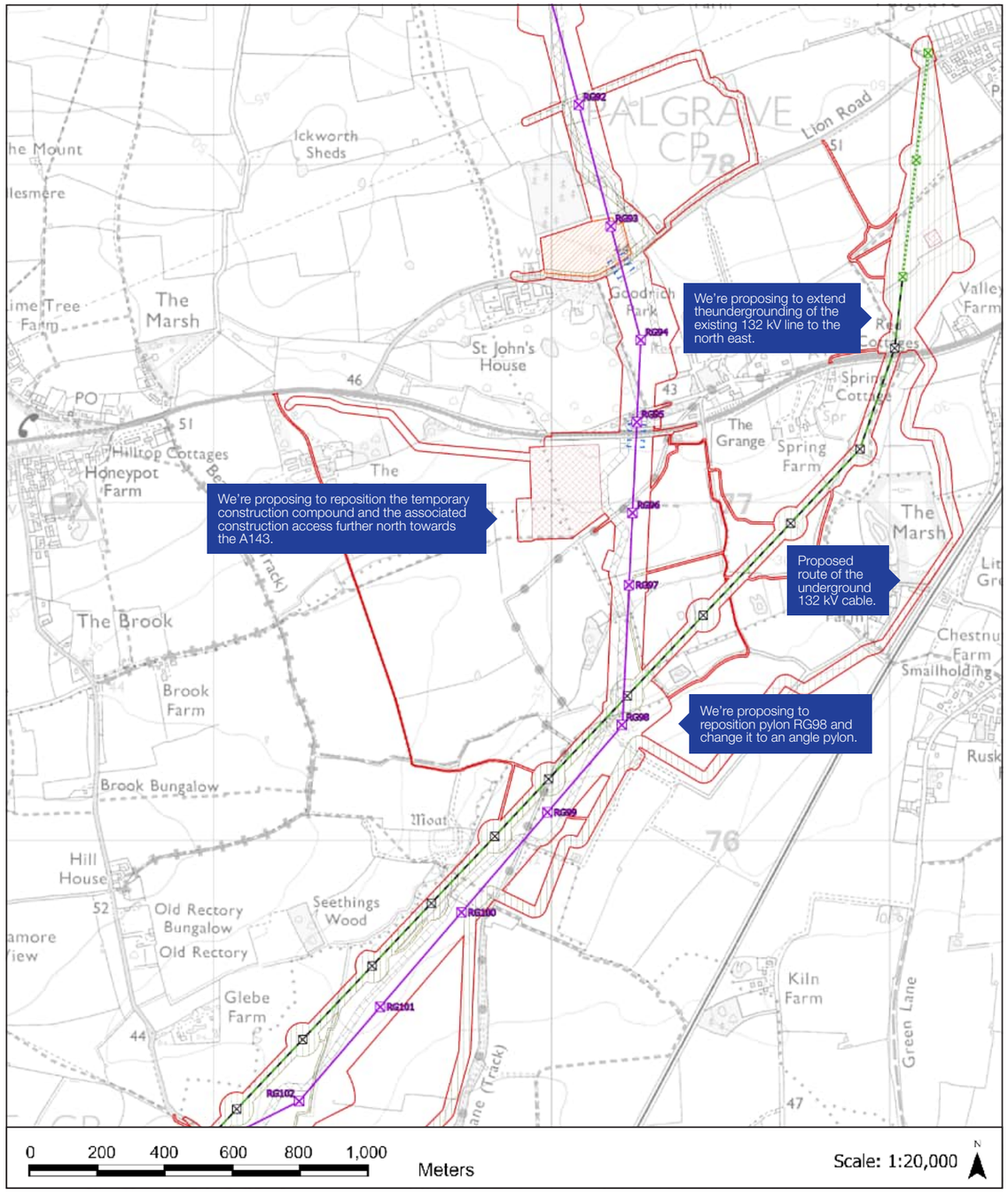
Proposed project design details
- New lattice pylon
- New overhead line
- Existing Distribution Network Operator (DNO) lattice pylon - to be dismantled
- Existing DNO lattice pylon - to be modified
- Existing DNO overhead line - to be dismantled
- Existing DNO overhead line - to be modified

Temporary works
- Site access, crossover points and visibility splays
- Haul roads
- Crossing protection work area
- Construction compound
- Construction laydown area

To accommodate this proposed change in alignment, we are also proposing to move the haul road and the bellmouths - where project traffic would cross public highways or enter the project site. We're now proposing to reposition the bellmouth that would cross the A143 Old Bury Road to the east of its previously proposed location.

The temporary construction compound for undergrounding the UK Power Networks (UKPN) line would be accessed via the A143 Old Bury Road (identified as Primary Access Routes H05-A2 and H06-A1 in the previous statutory consultation).

Area of proposed change January 2025



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Environmental Implications of Change – Suffolk 1

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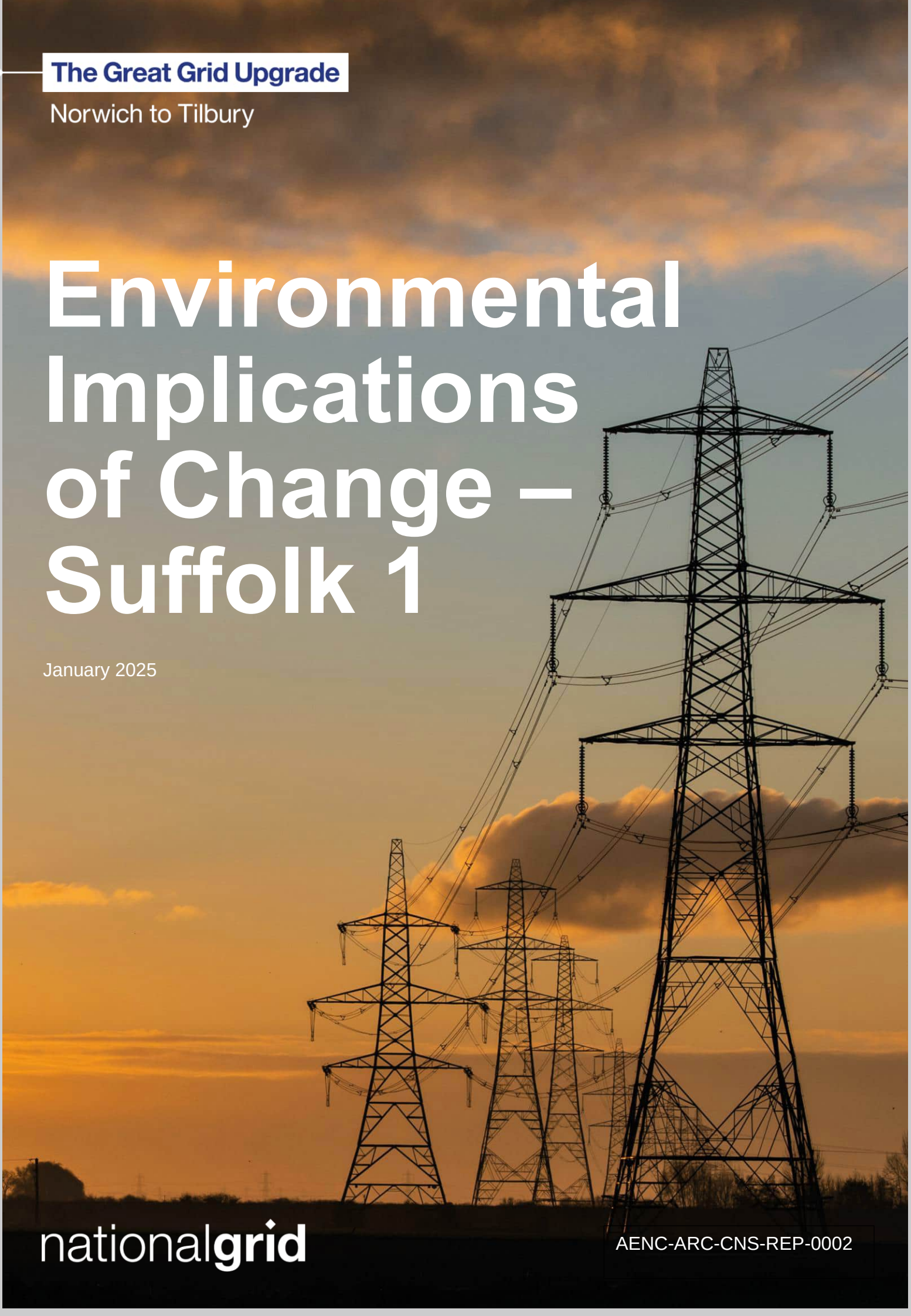

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1. Environmental Implications of Change – Suffolk 1

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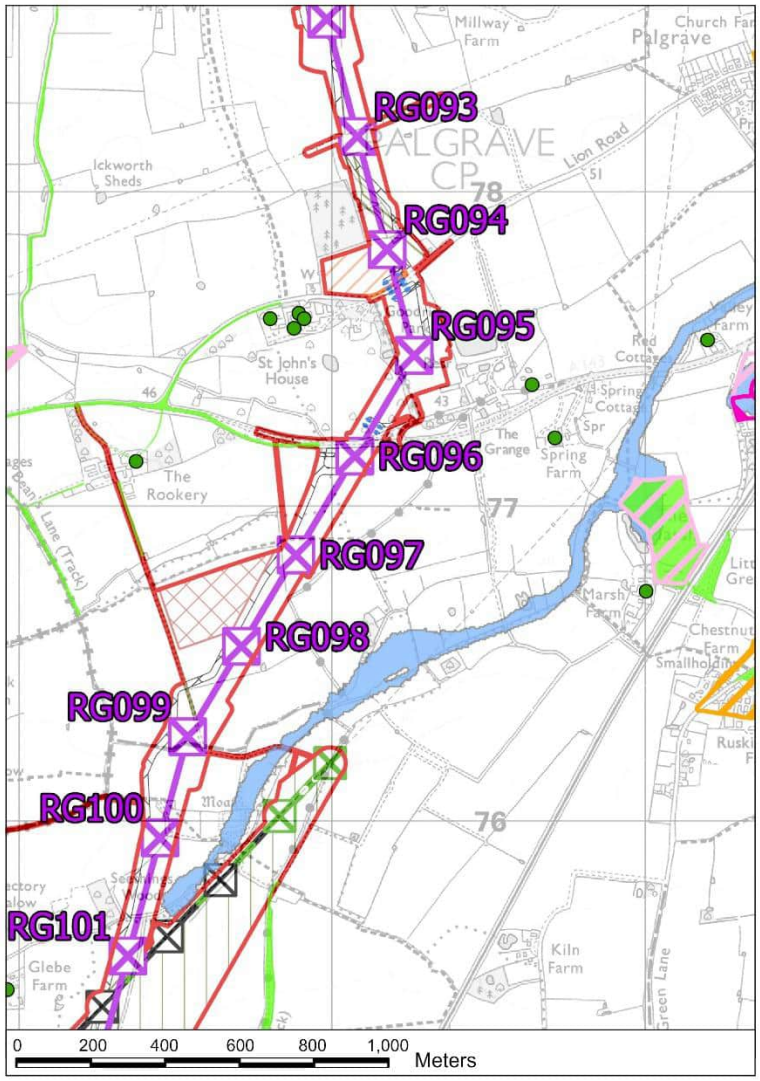

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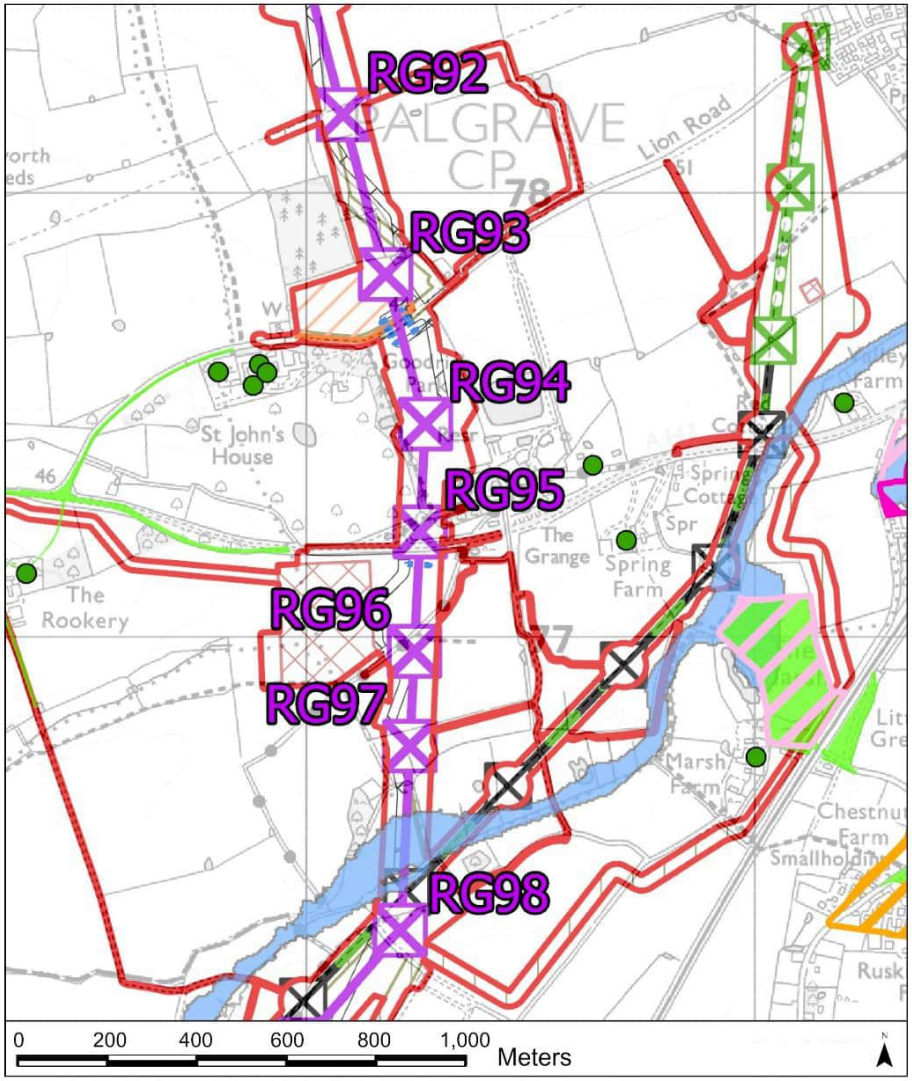

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What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing to reposition a line of pylons between Palgrave and Mellis to the south-east of the location that was proposed at our statutory consultation in summer 2024. You can see both the alignment presented at our consultation in summer 2024 and our proposed changes on the maps overleaf. This would affect the pylons between RG94 and RG102 (previously presented at statutory consultation as RG095 and RG102).

This is in response to consultation feedback which asked us to consider if we could:

- adjust the alignment to follow more of the existing 132kV route for a longer distance to reduce visual effects
- remove more of the 132kV overhead line to reduce cumulative effects
- reposition pylons to reduce potential effects on an airstrip.

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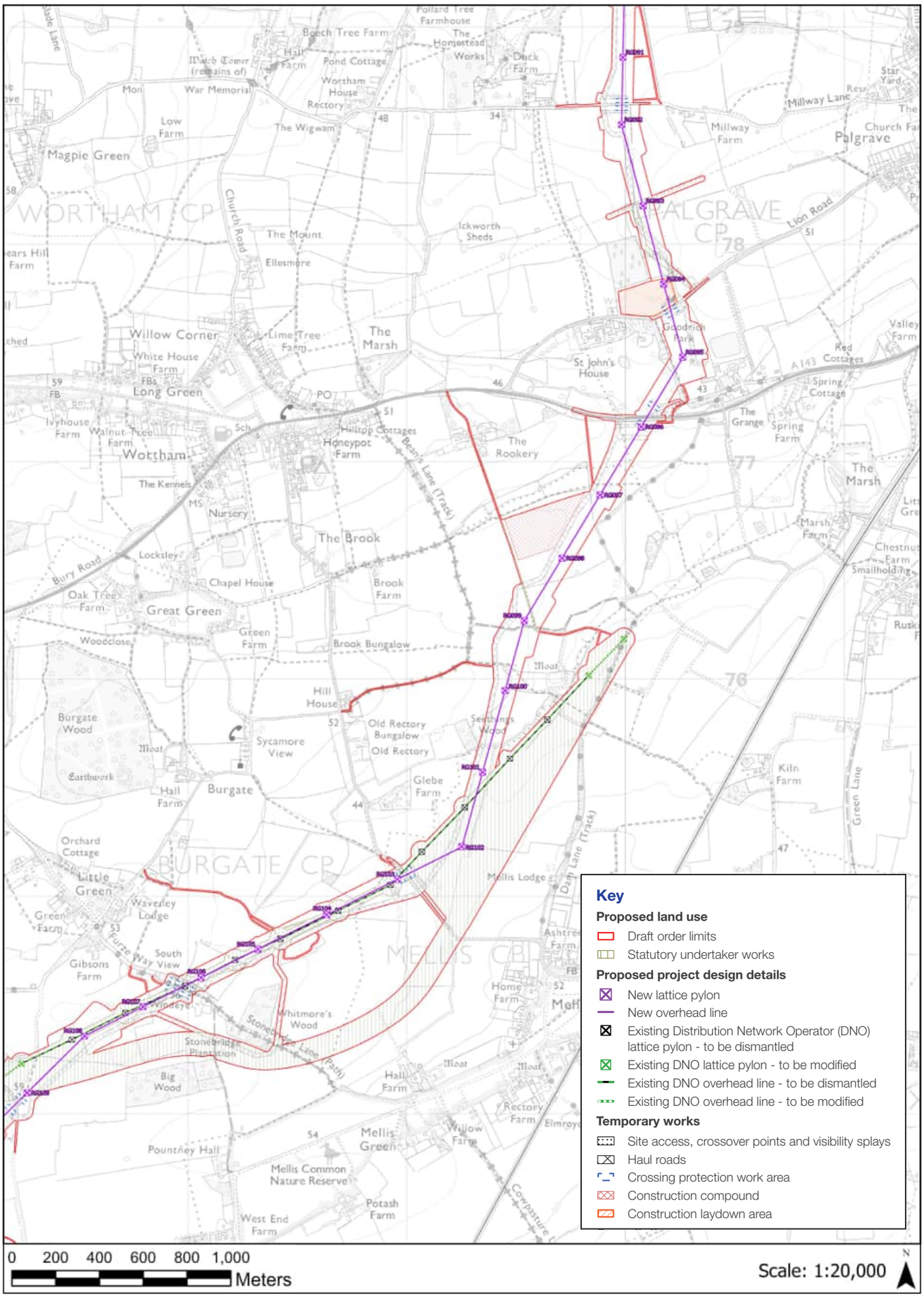

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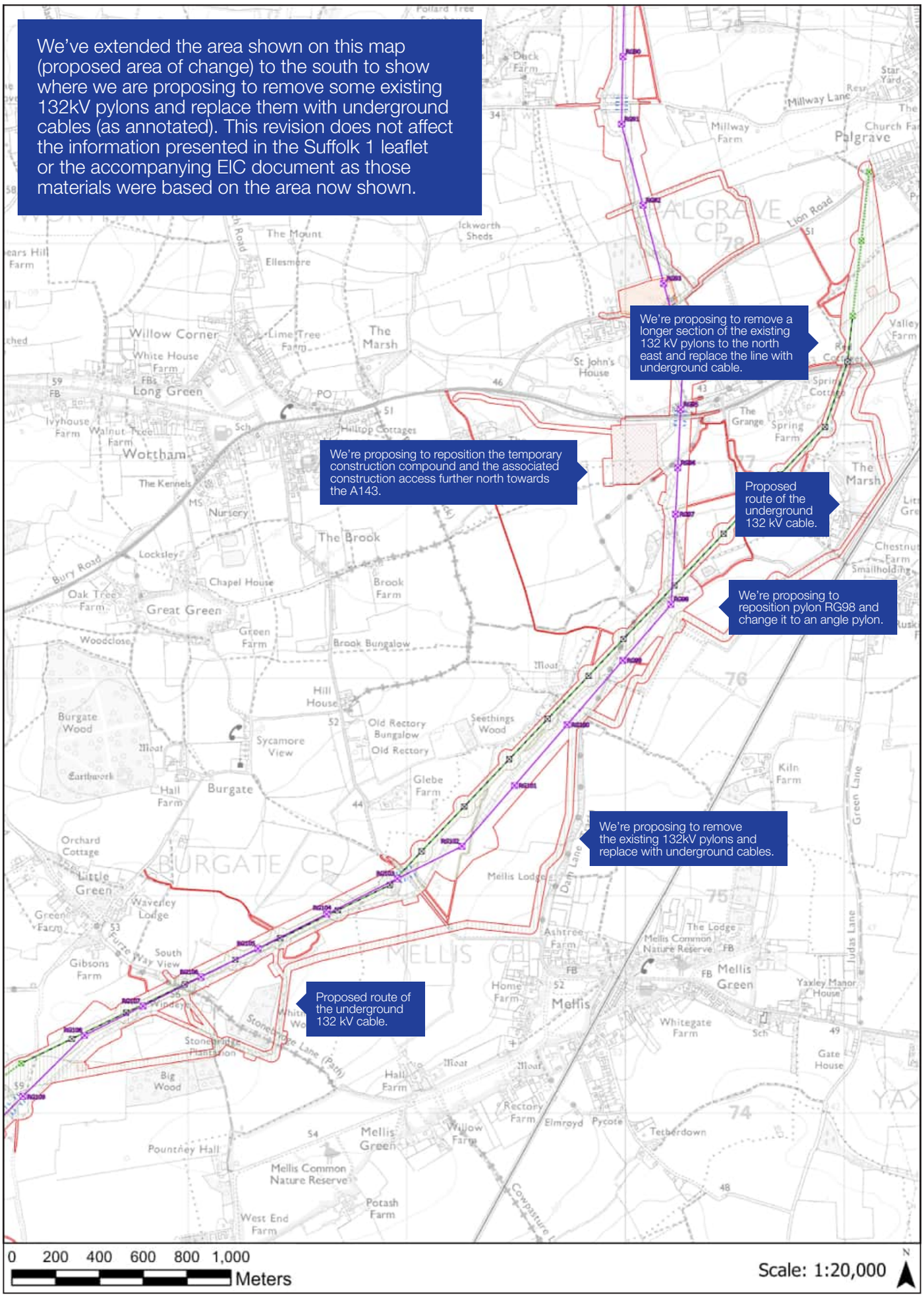

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If, following careful consideration of any feedback we receive, we decide to make this change, baseline information, environmental surveys and assessments associated with this change will be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES) that will form part of our application for a Development Consent Order (DCO).

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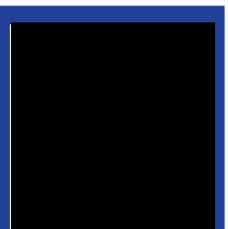

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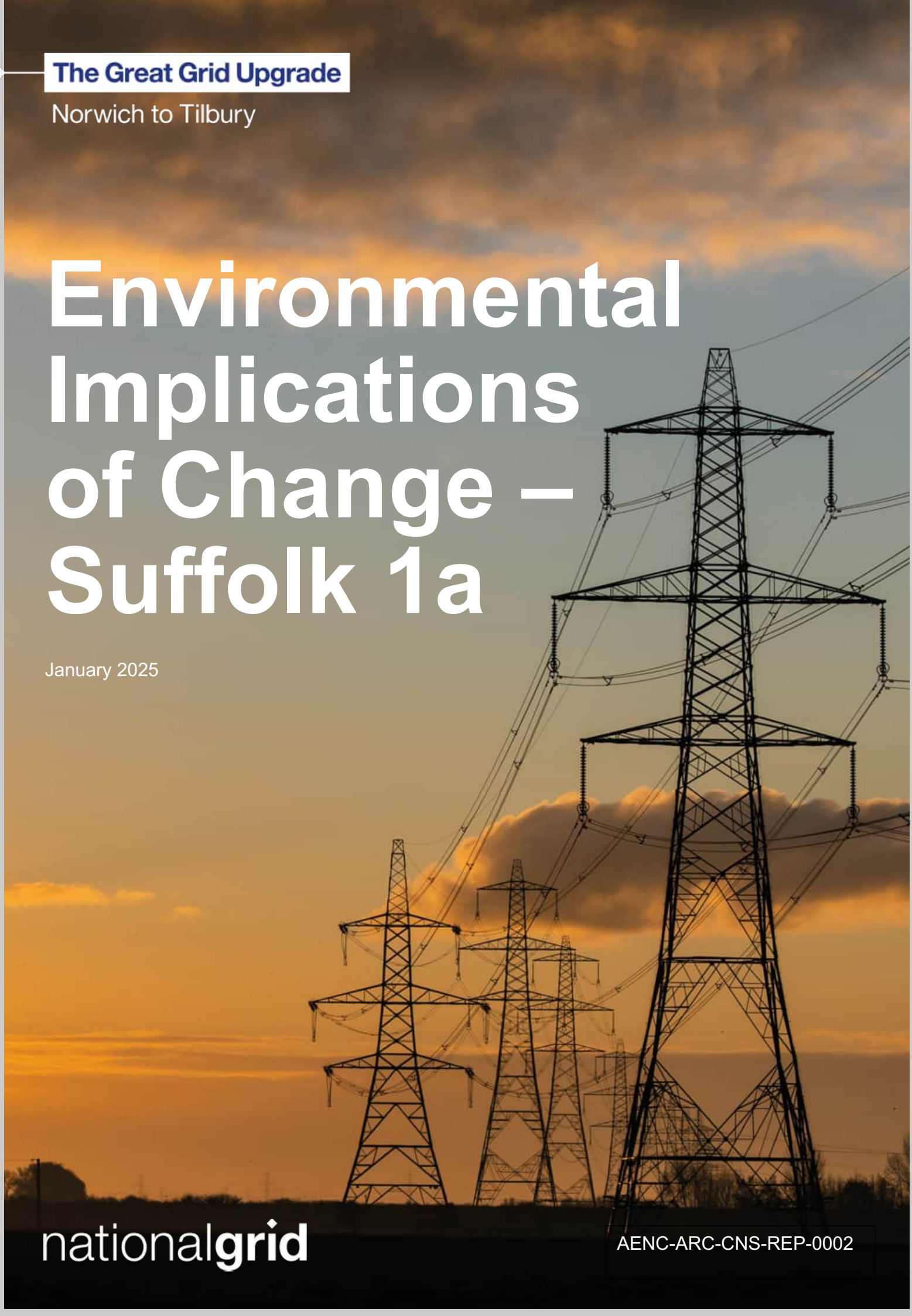

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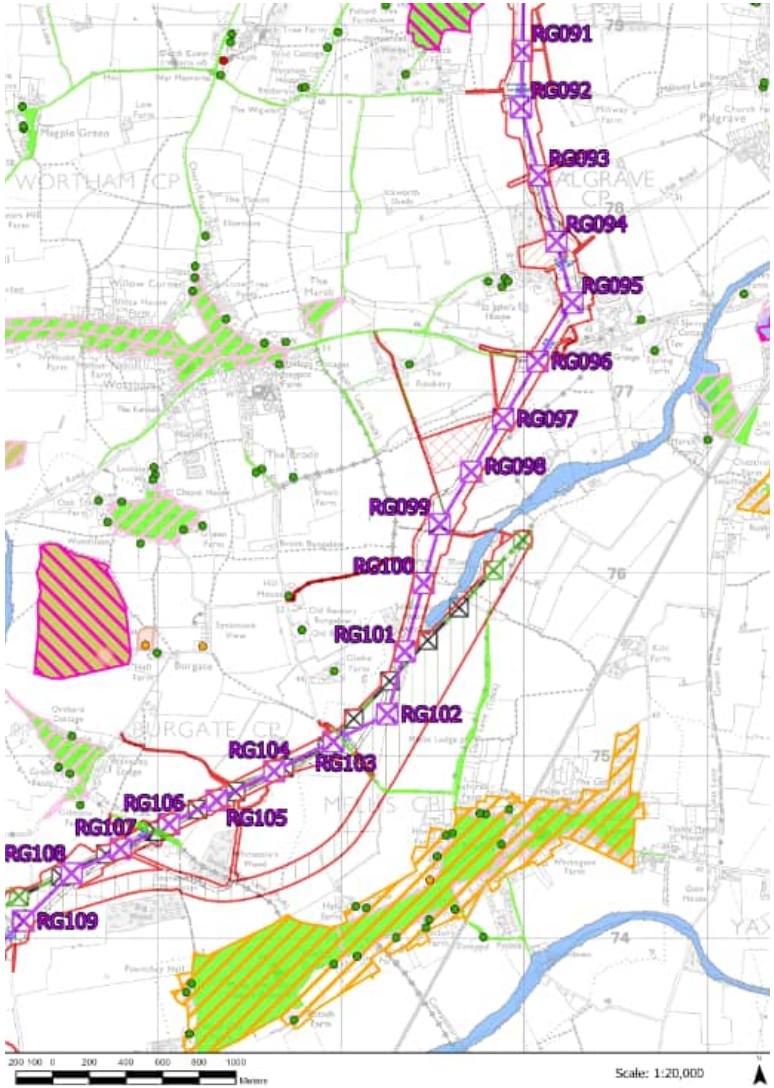

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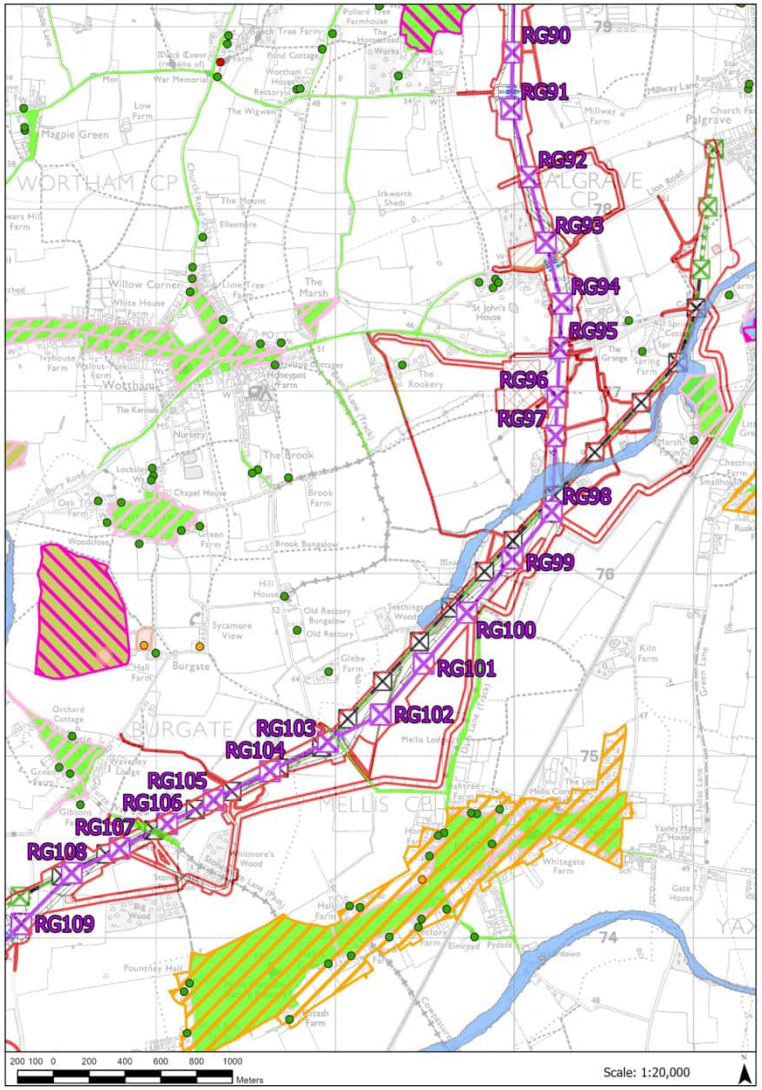

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This is in response to consultation feedback which asked us to consider:

- moving the angle tower pylon and alignment of RG114 to RG118 further away from residential properties to the northern and eastern edges of the village
- the impact of the alignment on veteran trees between Thornham Road and Coldham Lane
- wider ecological concerns related to the alignment.

The proposed change involves the addition of one pylon, and the relocation of the angle tower further east to increase its distance from residential properties.

We also considered moving the pylons to the west of the village, but this would increase impacts arising from proximity to properties.

This proposed alignment change would result in the angle tower being positioned behind an established woodland, which would provide screening to the closest properties. As a result of the proposed alignment change, we are also proposing to reposition the construction compound to the north of Thornham Road to allow for better screening and reduce potential impacts on veteran trees. For more information on the construction access plans we presented at our statutory consultation, please visit our project website. A change to the proposed permanent access route for light maintenance activities would also follow the repositioned alignment.

To accommodate the proposed change in alignment, we are also proposing to move two bellmouths in the area - where project traffic would cross public highways or enter the project site - along with other minor amendments to the order limits. This includes the movement of the bellmouth on Burgate Road 110 m further south than was proposed at statutory consultation, and on Major Lane 200 m further east.

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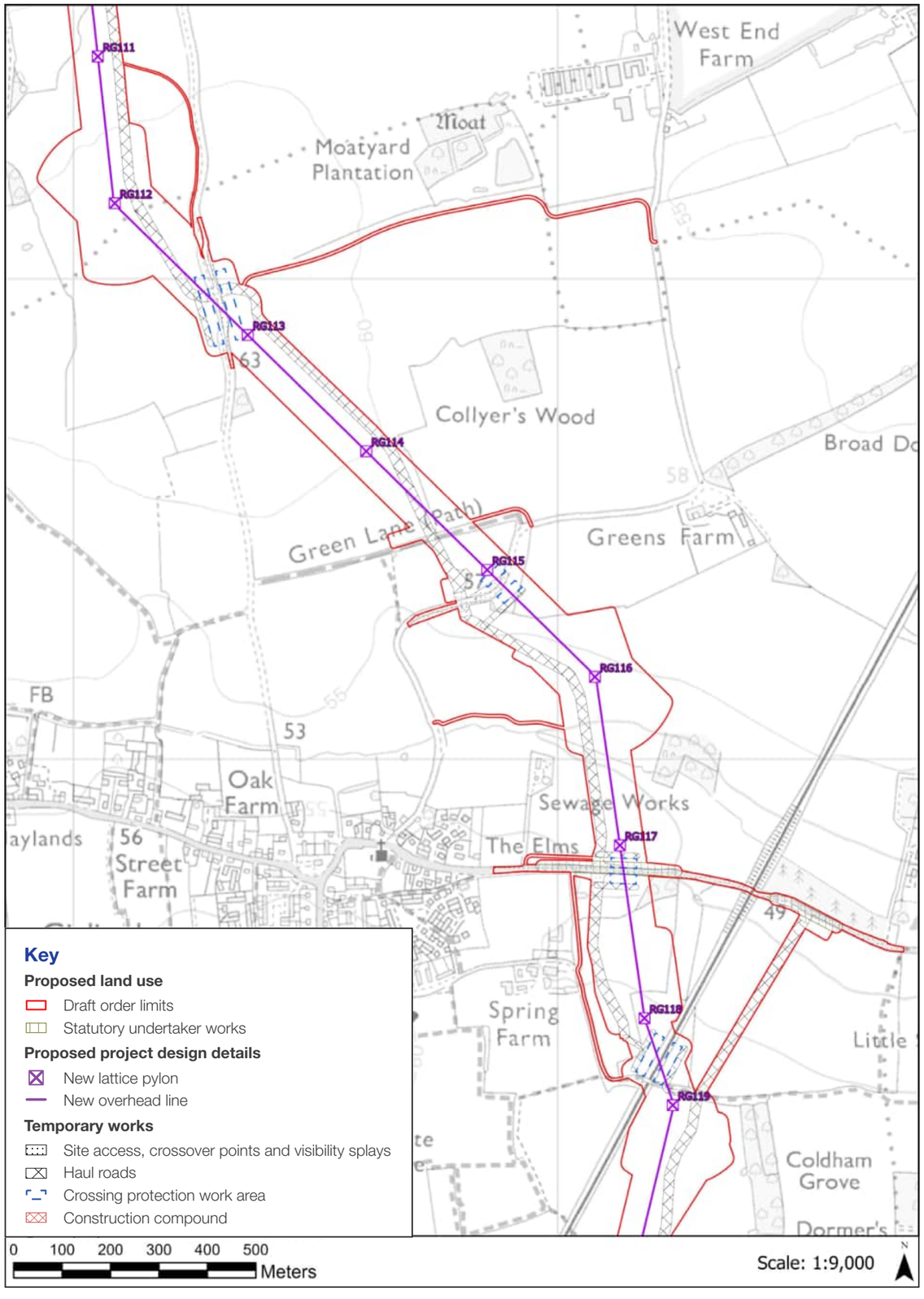

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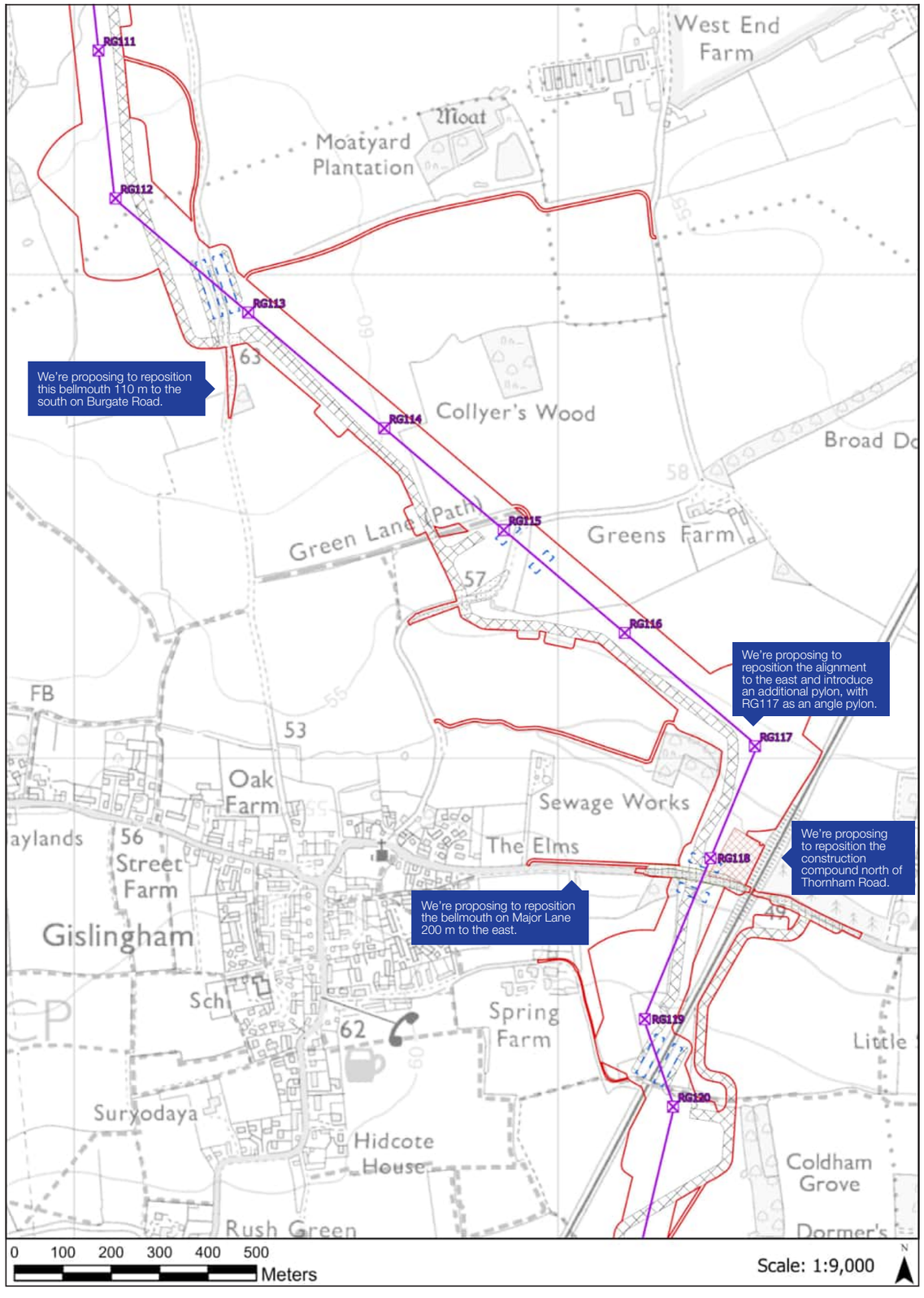

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The proposed changes would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 consultation.

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Have your say

Our targeted consultation on the proposed changes at this location runs from **12 noon 30 January 2025 to 11:59 pm 3 March 2025.**

If you have any comments regarding this proposed change, you can provide feedback by using the location reference **Suffolk 2**.

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Visit our website

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The deadline for feedback is 11:59 pm on 3 March 2025.

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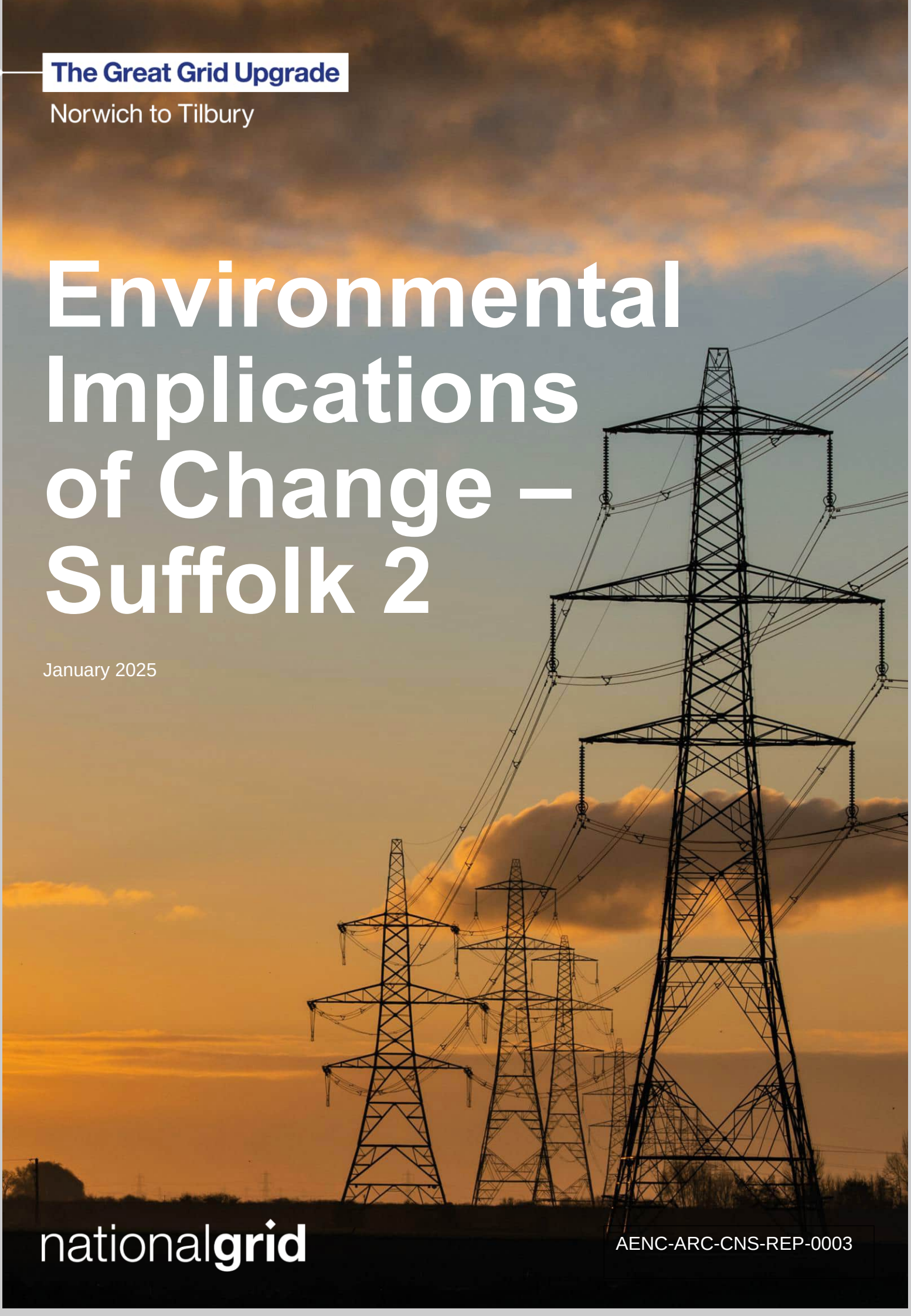
Environmental Implications of Change – Suffolk 2

January 2025



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1. Environmental Implications of Change – Suffolk 2

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 This Environmental Implications of Change document should be read alongside the associated Suffolk 2 targeted consultation leaflet. This Environmental Implications of Change document can also be viewed on the Project website.

1.1.2 Image 1 presents the Statutory Consultation design and the proposed change together with key environmental constraints using the key below.

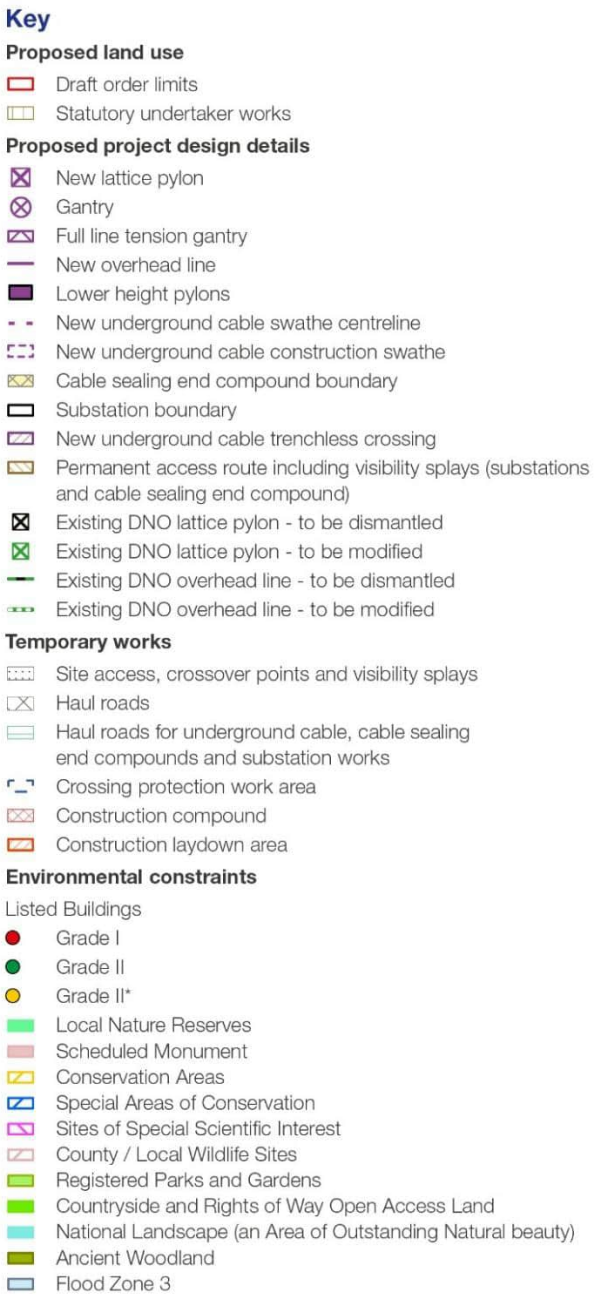

Image 1: Proposed Change

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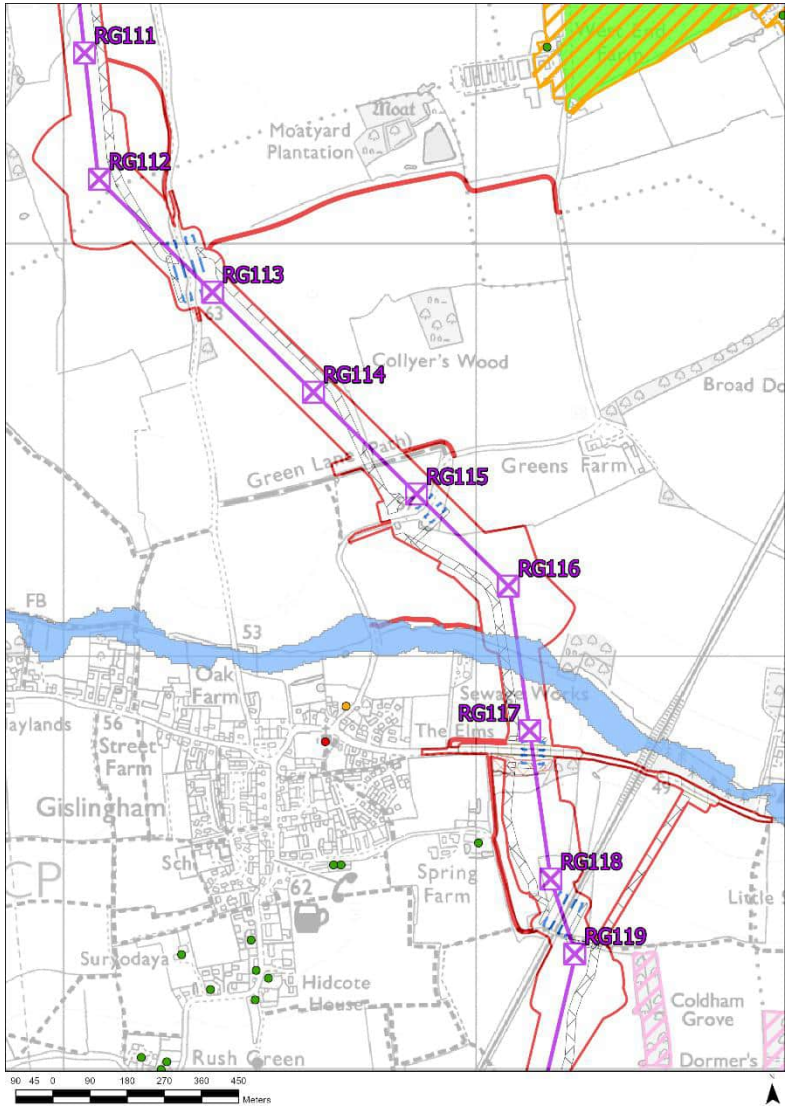

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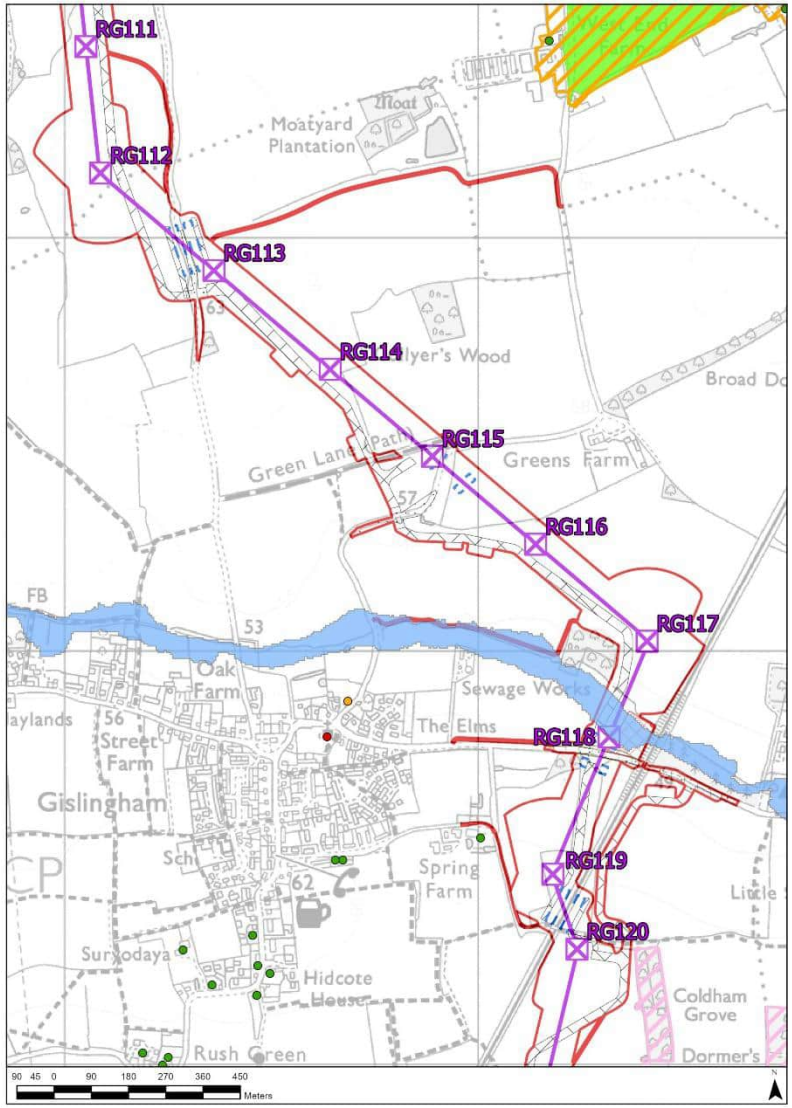

1.2 Environmental Implications of Change

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1.2.2 For information on the environmental implications of a change following our review, National Grid has produced an 'Environmental Implications of Change document' (EIC), like this one, with location reference to the specific area where the proposed change is located.

1.2.3 The table below outlines the environmental implications of a change which is proposed as a result of feedback received during statutory consultation in 2024. The information provided here is proportionate and appropriate information on the environmental implications when looked at both in local context and in the context of the project as a whole.

Environmental Topic	**Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR**
Agriculture and Soils	Indicative mapping shows similar 'Provisional Agricultural Land Classification' grading and soil types to those identified for the design presented at statutory consultation. There would be no change to the type or significance of agriculture and soil effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Air Quality	There would be no change to the type or significance of air quality effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Ecology and Biodiversity	There would be no change to the type or significance of ecology and biodiversity effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Contaminated Land, Geology and Hydrogeology	There would be no change to the type or significance of contaminated land, geology and hydrogeology effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Health and Wellbeing	The proposed change moves the alignment further away from residential receptors. There would be no change to the type or significance of health and wellbeing effects as a result of the proposed

Environmental Topic	Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR
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Historic Environment	There would be no change to the type or significance of historic environment effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Hydrology, Land Drainage and Flood Risk	There would be no change to the type or significance of hydrology, land drainage and flood risk effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Landscape and Visual	The proposed change would move the towers further from Gislingham which would benefit visual amenity of the local community. The alignment would parallel the railway for a short section. Visual effects on people in Gislingham would be slightly reduced as the alignment would be further away and views would be filtered/ screened in part by intervening woodland. However, some close views towards the alignment would remain from the settlement edge. In terms of landscape, effects on landscape character are likely to be similar. This is because the design presented at statutory consultation and the proposed change would both introduce pylons into a farmed plateau landscape. Overall, there would be no change to the type or significance of landscape and visual effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Noise and Vibration	There would be no change to the type or significance of noise and vibration effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Socio-economics, Recreation and Tourism	The proposed change would move the alignment closer to Swattersfield Campsite and potentially be more visible when compared to the design presented at statutory consultation. There would be no change to the type or significance of socio-economic, recreation and tourism effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Traffic and Transport	There would be no change to the type or significance of traffic and transport effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

1.3 Conclusion

1.3.1 The proposed change would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the PEIR (National Grid, 2024) which was published for statutory consultation. The PEIR can be viewed here.

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Targeted consultation

Location reference: Suffolk 3

12 noon 30 January 2025 to 11:59 pm 3 March 2025

Norwich to Tilbury is a proposal for a new electricity transmission connection. It will play an important part in connecting low carbon, more affordable electricity from where it is generated to where it is needed.

From 10 April to 26 July 2024, we held a statutory consultation, inviting local communities, land owners and stakeholders to share their views on our proposals.

Since then, we have been carefully reviewing all the feedback we received as well as considering the findings of ongoing assessment work.

This has identified some places where there is potential to make a change to the proposals we published at our statutory consultation. These potential changes do not materially change the effects or fundamentally change the project as a whole.

We intend to submit our application for development consent in summer 2025. Before we make any decisions, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes near to them.

We are consulting on the proposed changes described below and overleaf between 30 January and 3 March 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing to move a line of pylons near Cay Hill to the west of the location that was proposed at our statutory consultation in summer 2024. This proposed change would affect the locations of the pylons between RG136 and RG142 (previously presented at statutory consultation as RG135 to RG141). You can see the pylon alignment presented at our consultation in summer 2024 and our currently proposed changes on the maps overleaf.

This is in response to consultation feedback which asked us to consider if we could:

- reposition the proposed alignment to reduce tree removal and increase the distance from residential properties
- use field edges to route diversions for lower voltage electricity lines to reduce potential effects on an area of perceived ecological interest
- use field edges or existing tracks for temporary and permanent works access where practicable.

Moving these pylons to the west would increase the distance to properties without the need to materially lengthen the route or introduce any additional angle pylons. The pylons would also be located to the edge of main sight lines from some properties compared with the alignment presented at statutory consultation in 2024.

We considered other adjustments to the alignment including paralleling the existing overhead line to the east, but these would make the route longer to varying extents, present technical risks for construction and future maintenance, place the alignment on slightly higher ground, increase the need for more angle pylons, and increase effects for some residential properties. For these reasons these other adjustments were less preferable.

This proposed change also allows us to relocate the temporary access arrangements in this location to more closely follow field boundaries except where it would be unsafe to do so. We are also proposing to modify the diversions of lower voltage electricity connections to follow field edges, along with other minor amendments to the order limits.

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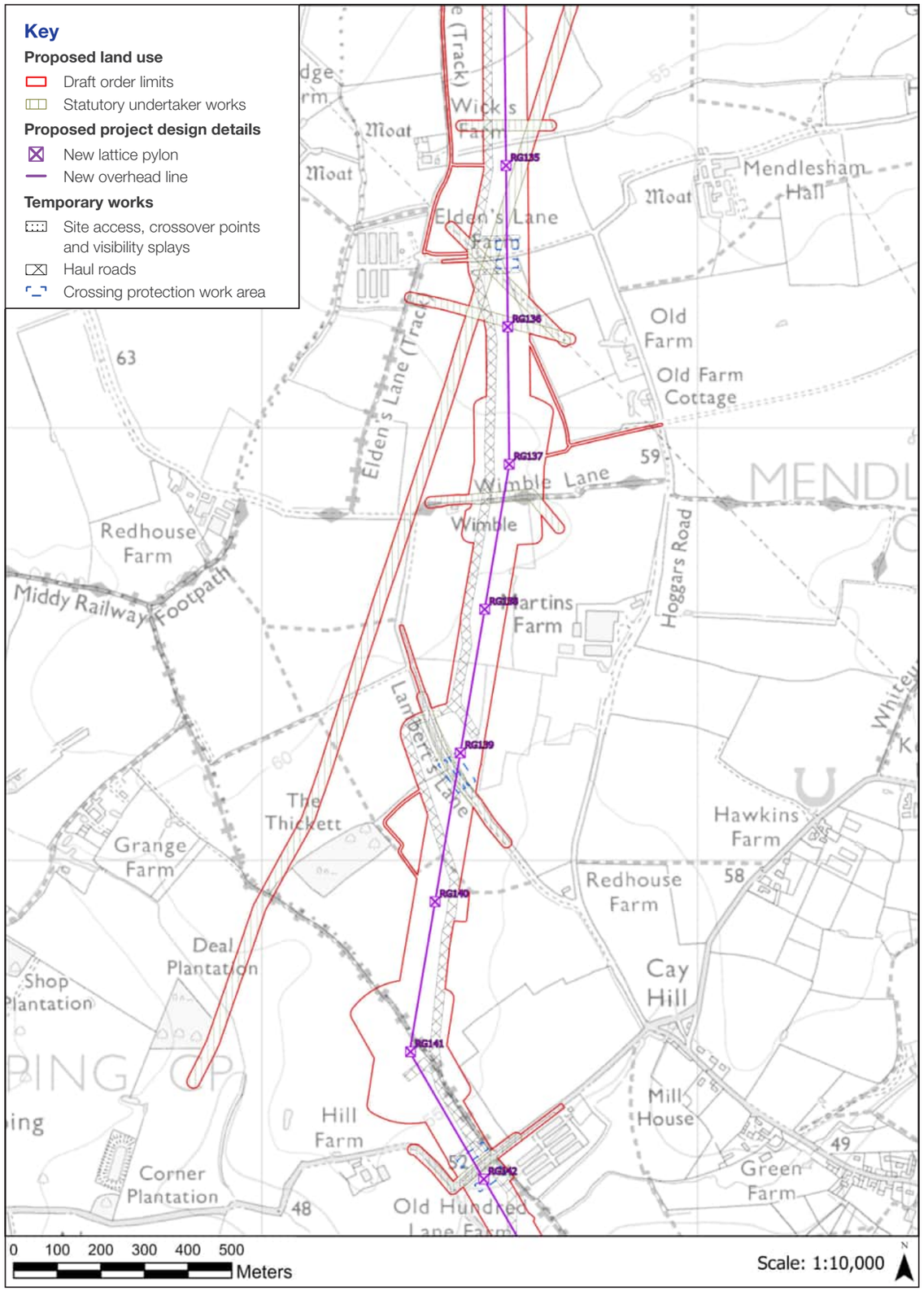
Alignment presented at the 2024 statutory consultation



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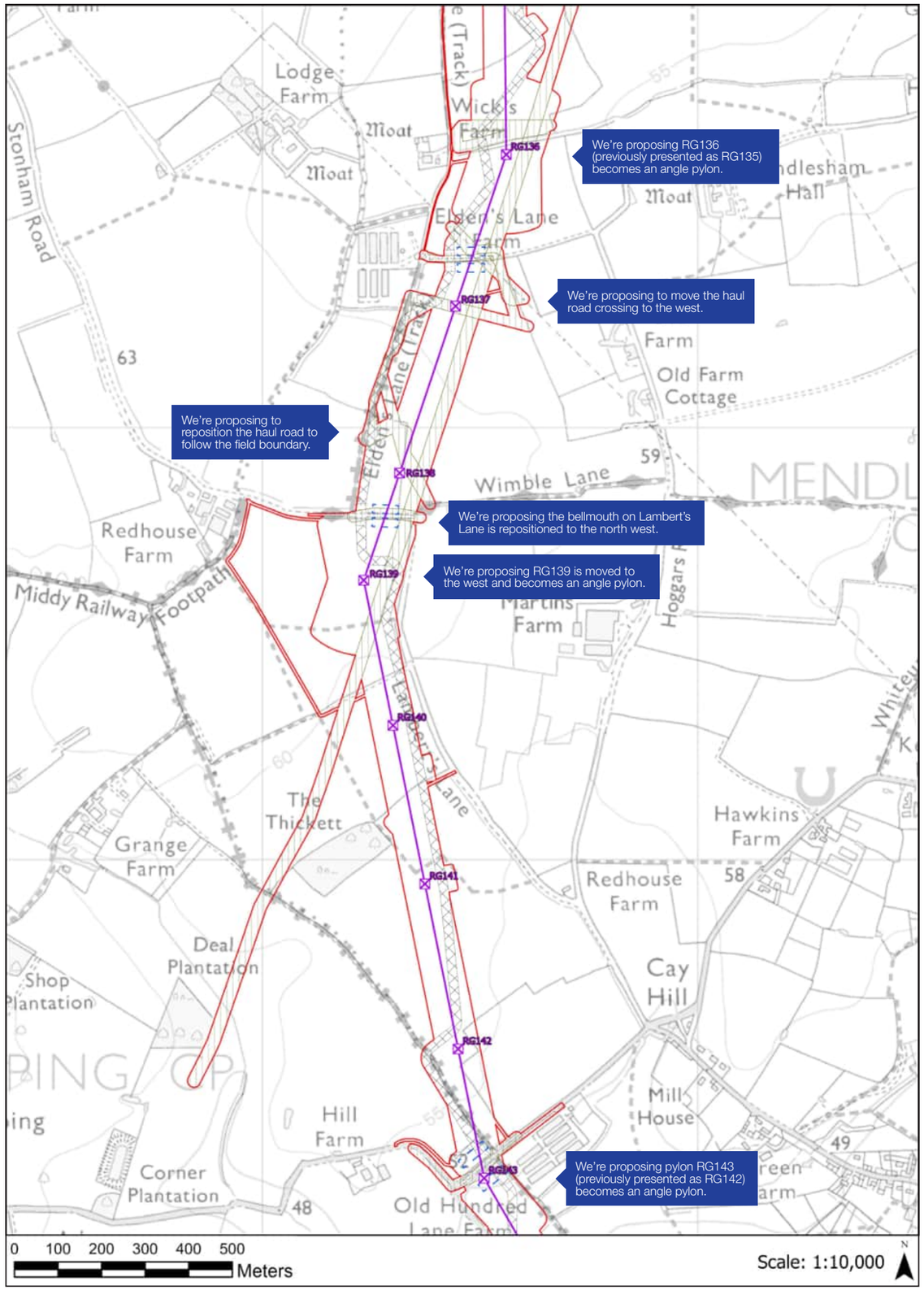

To accommodate this proposed change, we are also proposing to reposition the haul road and the bellmouths. The crossing over the unnamed lane north of RG137 (previously RG136) which was proposed at statutory consultation in 2024 would move to the west, and the former crossing on Lamberts Lane would move to follow the proposed alignment, crossing Lamberts Lane to the north-west near Elden's Lane.

What are the environmental implications of the proposed changes?

The proposed changes would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 consultation.

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Have your say

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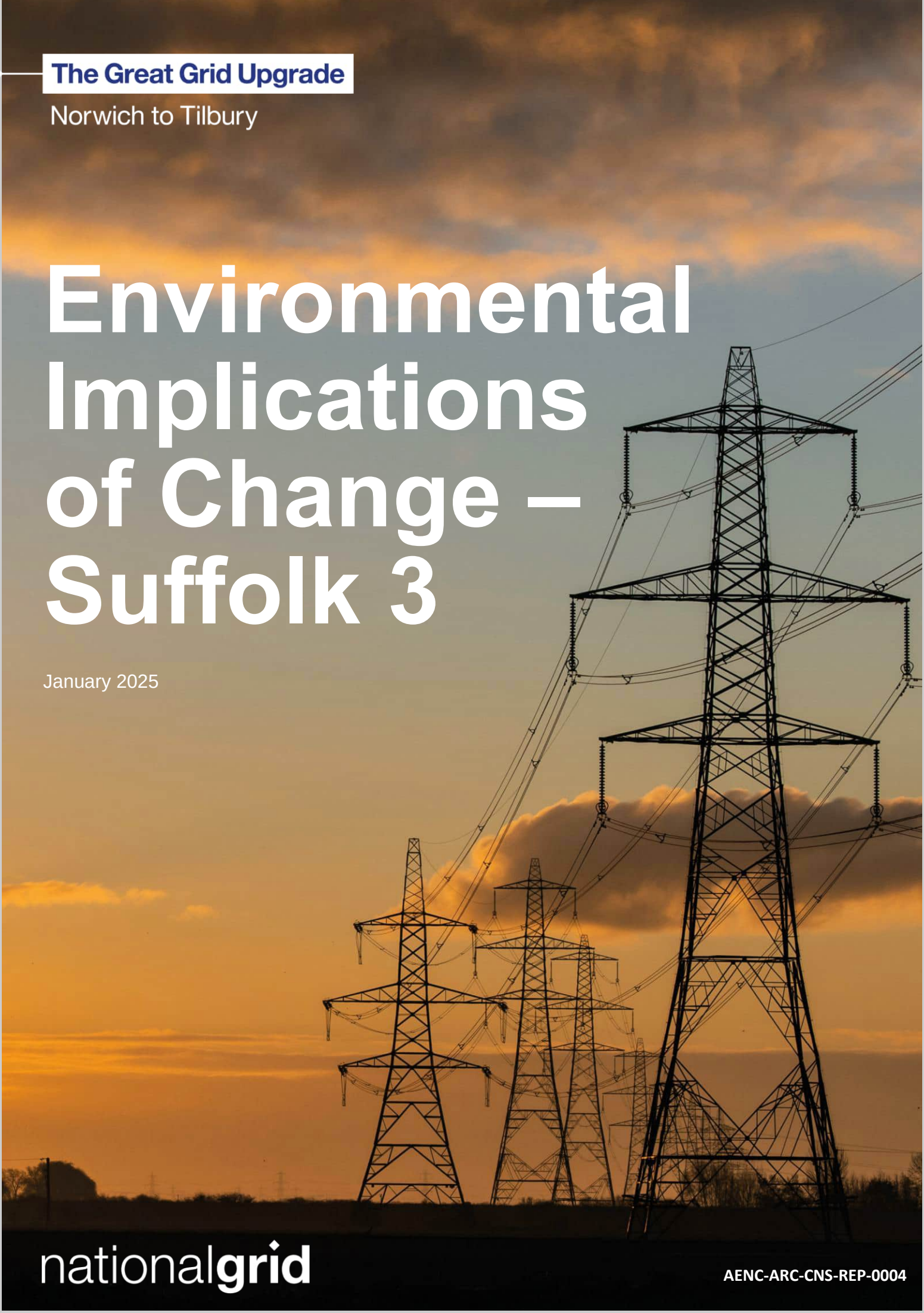
Environmental Implications of Change – Suffolk 3

January 2025



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1. Environmental Implications of Change – Suffolk 3

1.1 Introduction

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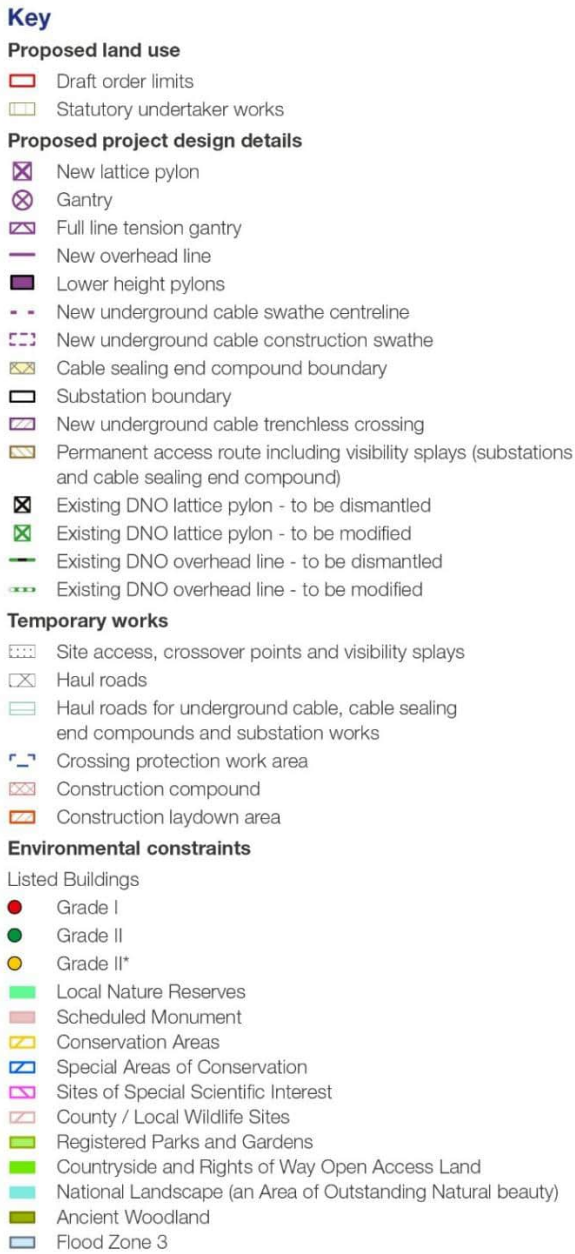

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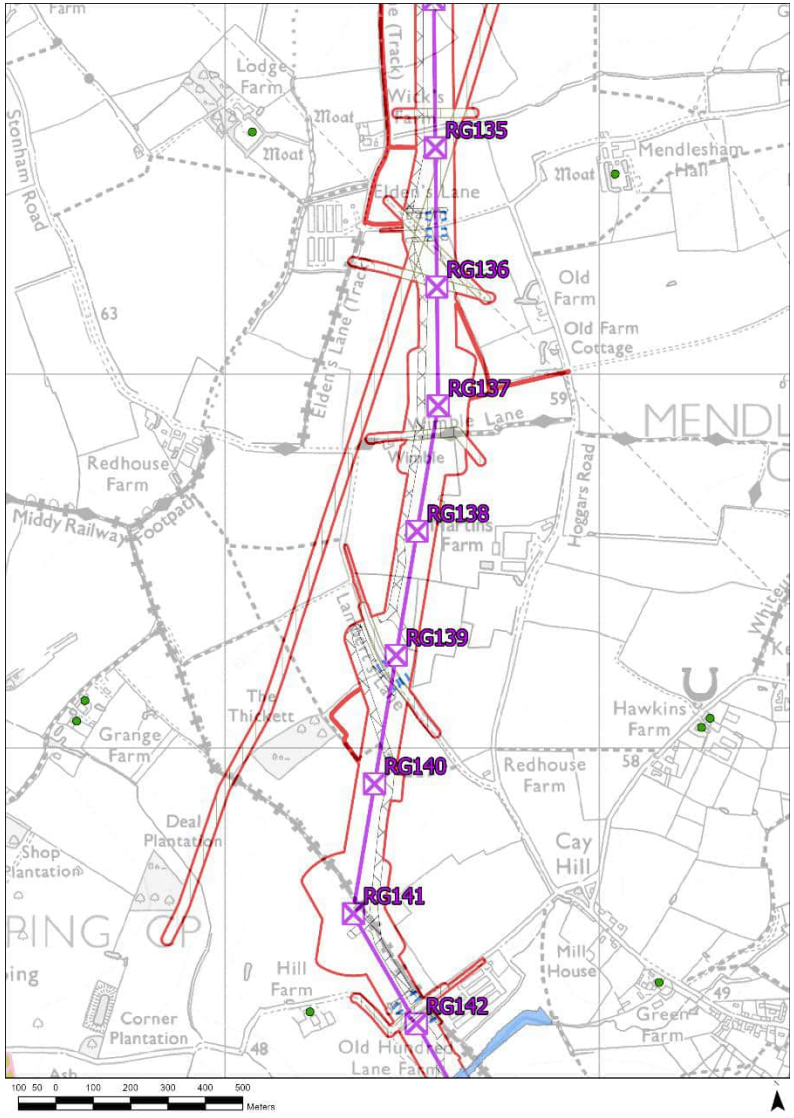

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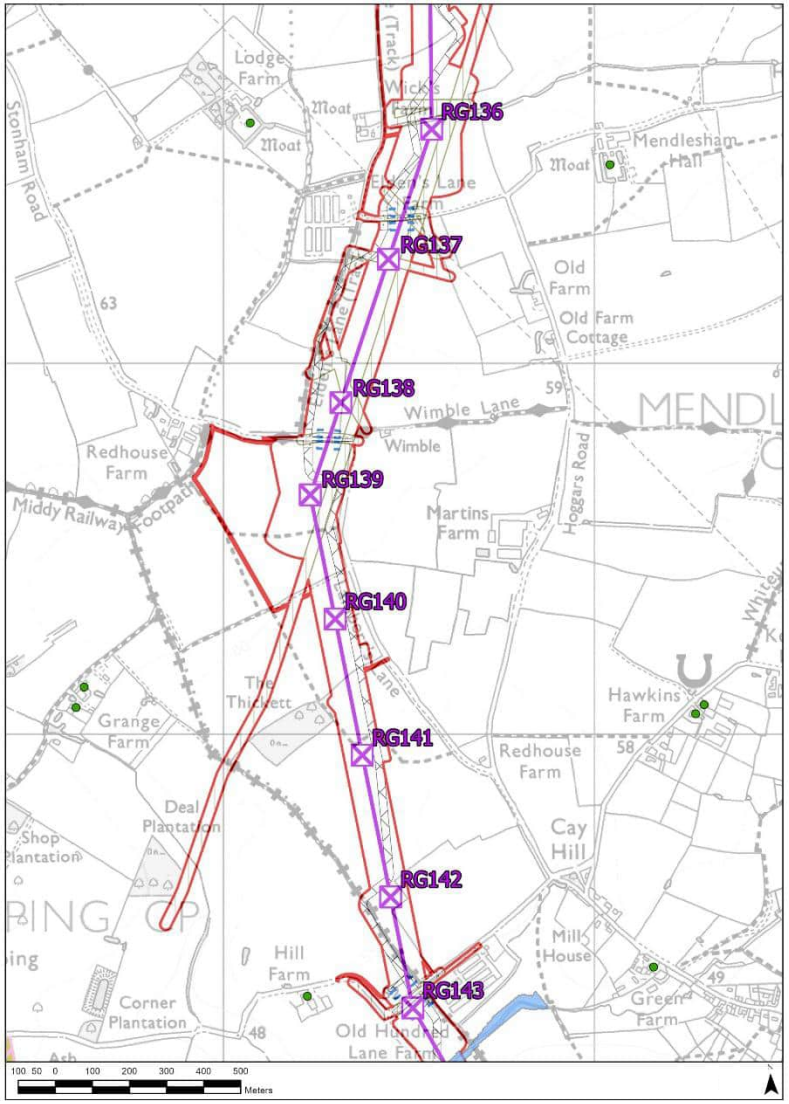

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Contaminated Land, Geology and Hydrogeology	There would be no change to the type or significance of contaminated land, geology and hydrogeology effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Health and Wellbeing	There would be no change to the type or significance of health and wellbeing effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

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Historic Environment	There would be no change to the type or significance of historic environment effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Hydrology, Land Drainage and Flood Risk	There would be no change to the type or significance of hydrology, land drainage and flood risk effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Landscape and Visual	The proposed change would move the alignment further from some properties but closer to others compared to the design presented at statutory consultation. The proposed change would move the alignment to the west of Wimble Cottage rather than the east, although the closest pylon would be the same approximate distance from the cottage in either scenario. The proposed change would introduce an angle tower. In terms of landscape, effects on landscape character are likely to be similar. This is because the design presented at statutory consultation and the proposed change would both introduce pylons into a farmed plateau landscape. There would be no change to the type or significance of landscape and visual effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Noise and Vibration	There would be no change to the type or significance of noise and vibration effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Socio-economics, Recreation and Tourism	There would be no change to the type or significance of socio-economic, recreation and tourism effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Traffic and Transport	There would be no change to the type or significance of traffic and transport effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

1.3 Conclusion

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Targeted consultation

Location reference: Suffolk 4

12 noon 30 January 2025 to 11:59 pm 3 March 2025

Norwich to Tilbury is a proposal for a new electricity transmission connection. It will play an important part in connecting low carbon, more affordable electricity from where it is generated to where it is needed.

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We intend to submit our application for development consent in summer 2025. Before we make any decisions, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes near to them.

We are consulting on the proposed changes described below and overleaf between 30 January and 3 March 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing to add a temporary 132 kV construction compound near Needham Market to facilitate the undergrounding of the existing UK Power Networks (UKPN) 132 kV overhead line. You can see both the alignment presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024 and our proposed changes on the maps overleaf.

The proposed change would introduce a new construction compound near pylon RG173 (previously presented at statutory consultation as RG172) but would not affect the proposed location of the overhead line as presented at statutory consultation.

The map showing our proposed changes overleaf also shows an extended access route. This is an update in line with information on public highway boundaries and is not a change to the access route proposed at our statutory consultation in summer 2024.

It is proposed that this access route would remain the permanent access route for inspection and light maintenance, as presented at statutory consultation.

We are proposing that construction traffic for the 132 kV undergrounding works would access the site via Hill House Lane and connect to the B1113 Stowmarket Road. The B1113 forms part of Primary Access Route H10-A1, as presented in the previous statutory consultation.

Construction access for the Norwich to Tilbury overhead line would remain via the temporary construction haul road, as presented at statutory consultation.

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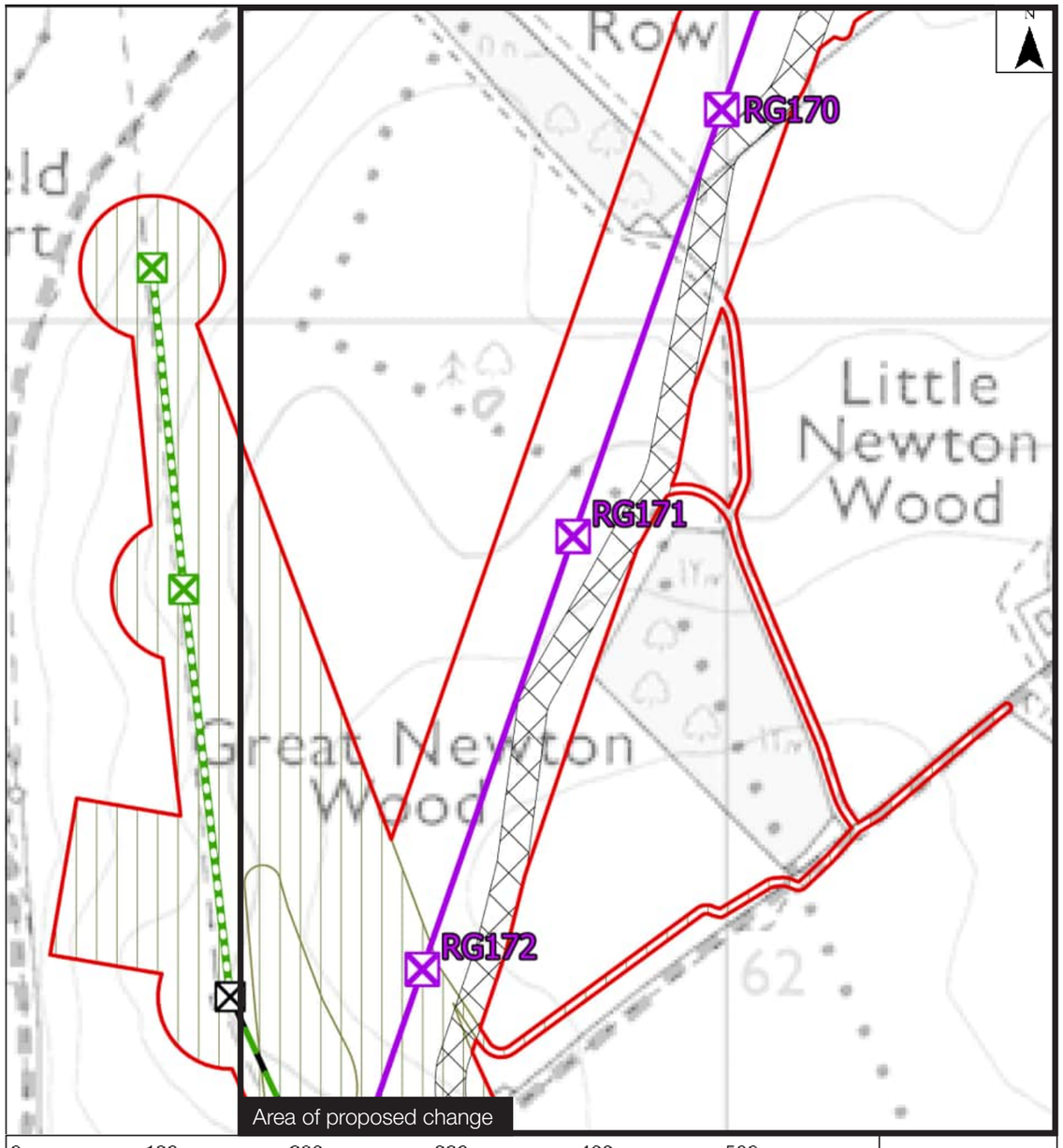
Alignment presented at the 2024 statutory consultation



Key

Proposed land use

- Draft order limits
- Statutory undertaker works

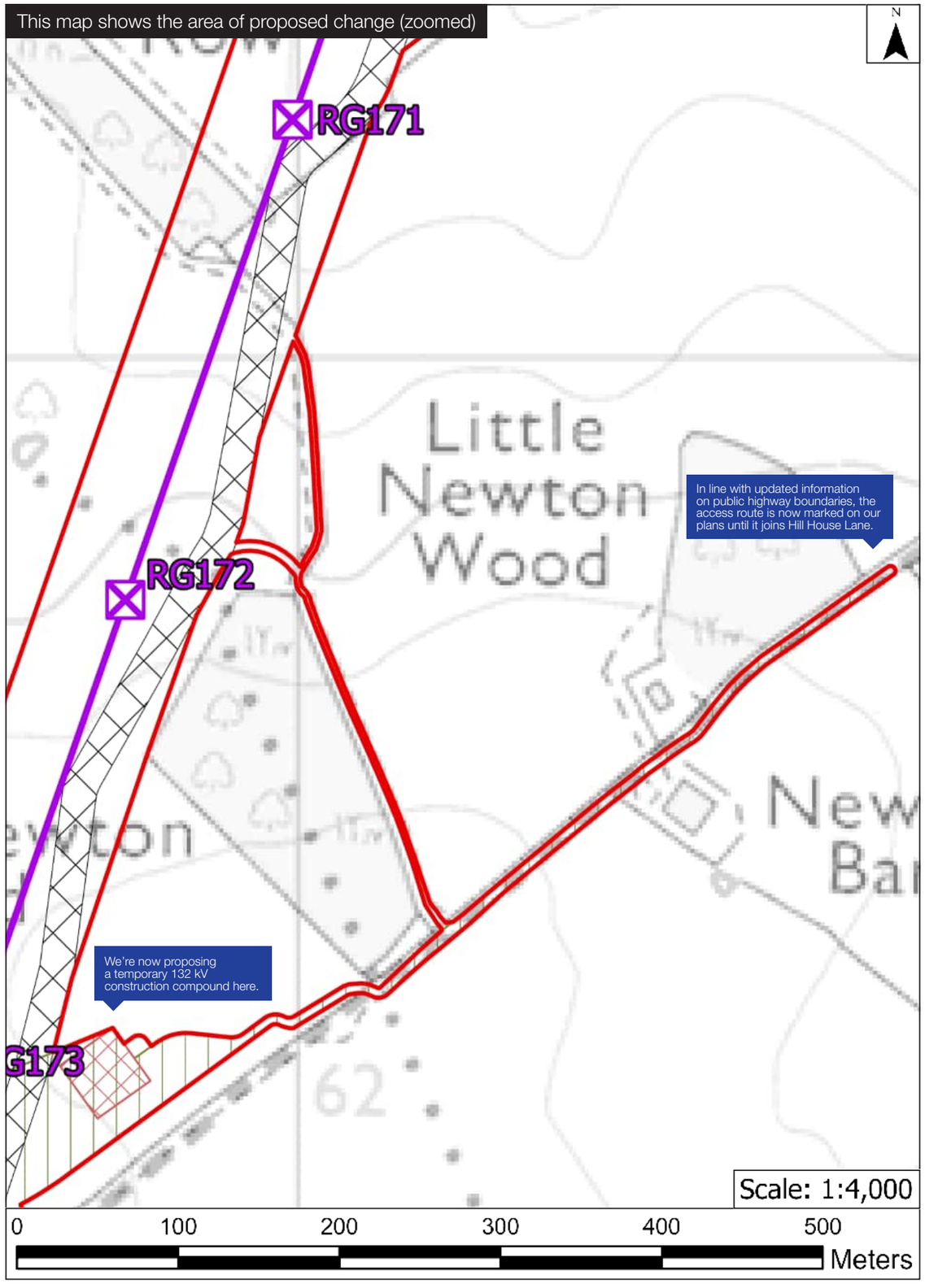
Proposed project design details

- New lattice pylon
- New overhead line
- Existing Distribution Network Operator (DNO) lattice pylon - to be dismantled
- Existing DNO lattice pylon - to be modified
- Existing DNO overhead line - to be dismantled
- Existing DNO overhead line - to be modified

Temporary works

- Haul roads
- Crossing protection work area
- Construction compound

Area of proposed change January 2025



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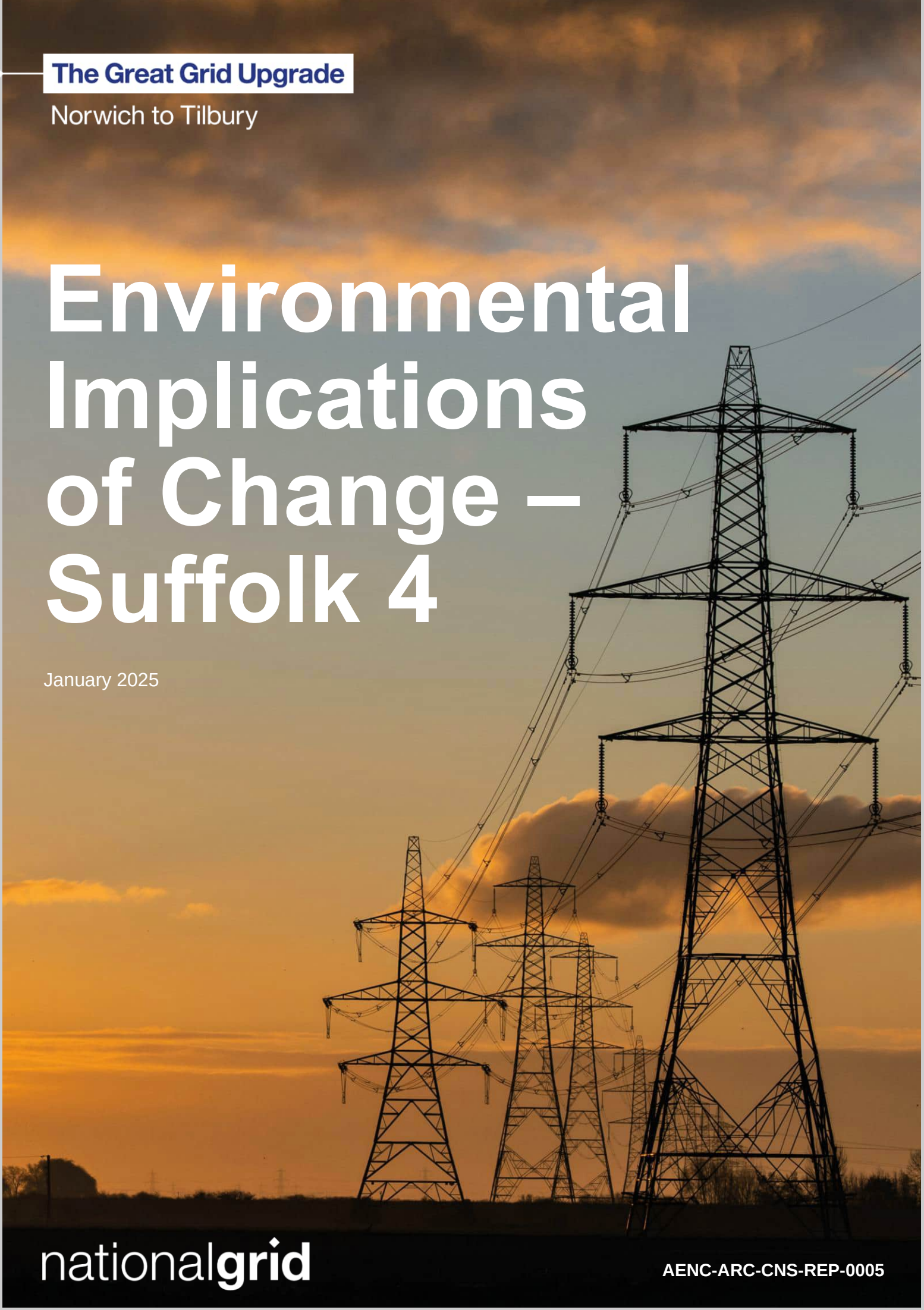

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1. Environmental Implications of Change – Suffolk 4

1.1 Introduction

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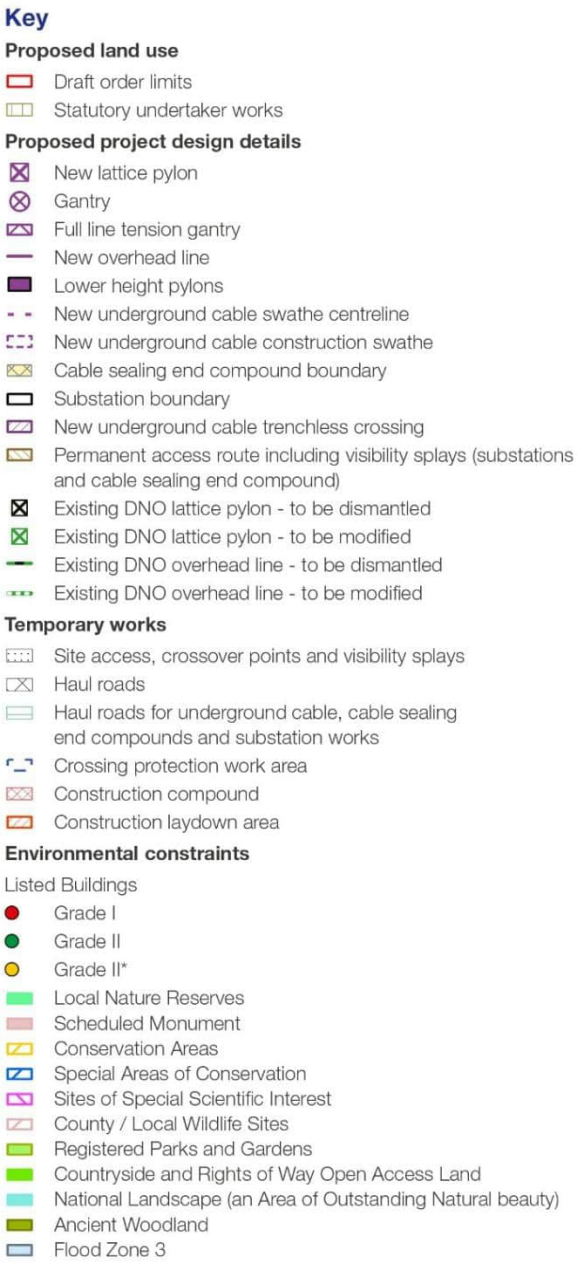

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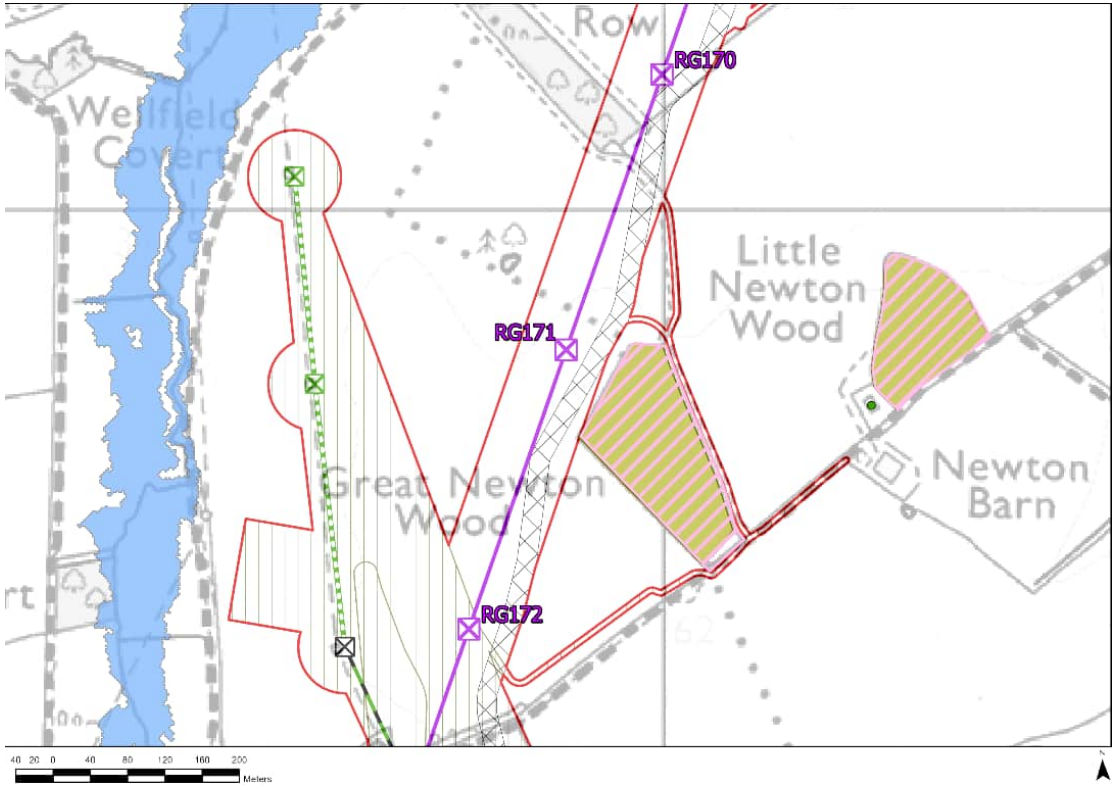

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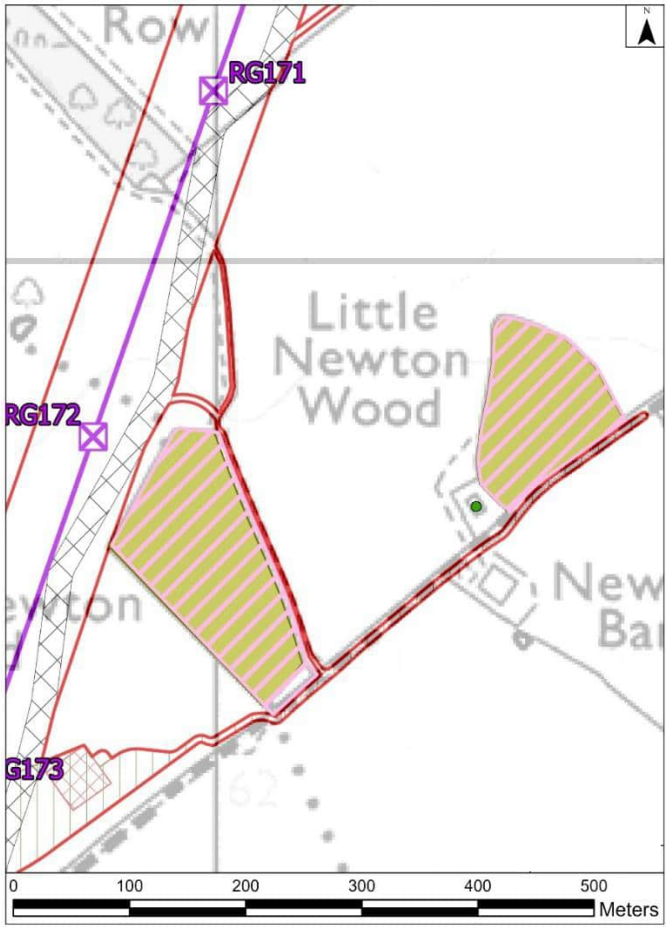

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1.3 Conclusion

1.3.1 The proposed change would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the PEIR (National Grid, 2024) which was published for statutory consultation. The PEIR can be viewed here.

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Targeted consultation

Location reference: Suffolk 5

12 noon 30 January 2025 to 11:59 pm 3 March 2025

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We intend to submit our application for development consent in summer 2025. Before we make any decisions, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes near to them.

We are consulting on the proposed changes described below and overleaf between 30 January and 3 March 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing to reposition the route for 132kV underground cables near Offton. The new route would follow field boundaries more closely that was proposed at our statutory consultation in summer 2024. You can see both the route presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024 and our proposed changes on the maps overleaf.

This change is proposed in response to consultation feedback which asked us to consider:

- following field boundaries where practicable to reduce impacts on agricultural activity and avoid fields otherwise unaffected by works.

This 132 kV underground cable route would replace the existing 132 kV pylons that are owned by UKPN. We need to take down the UKPN pylons to accommodate the Norwich to Tilbury overhead line.

What are the environmental implications of the proposed changes?

The proposed change would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 consultation.

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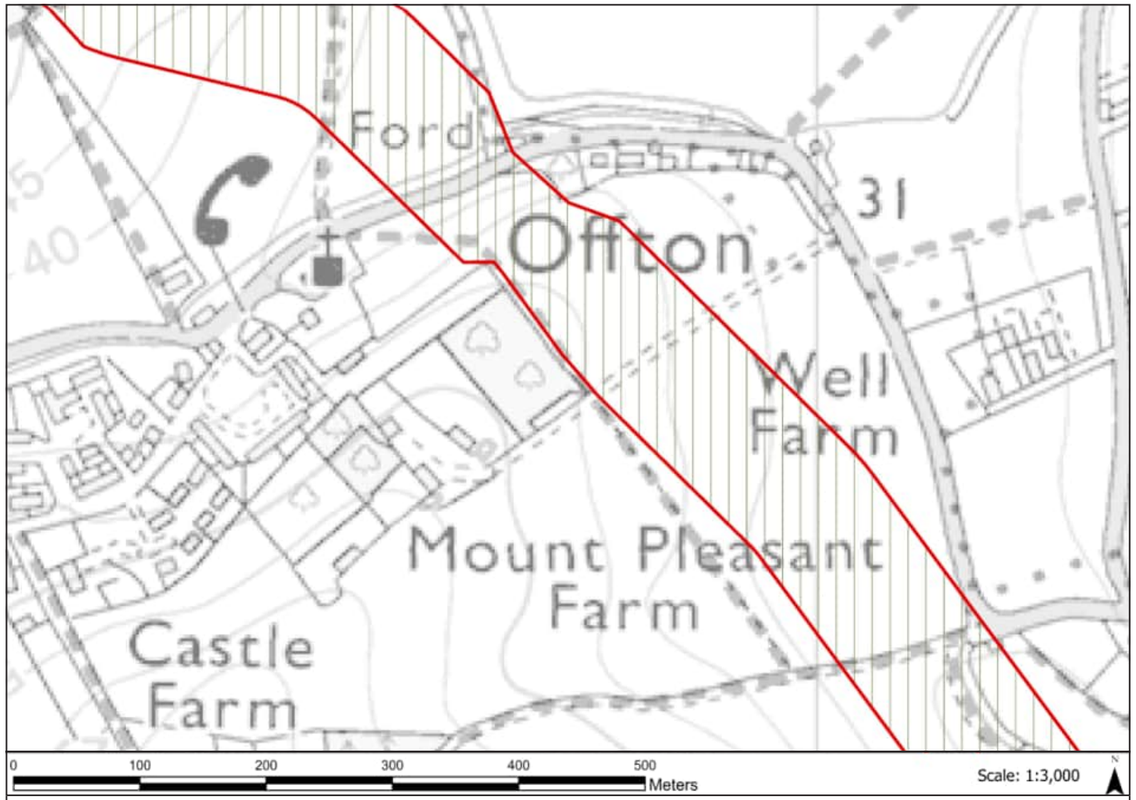

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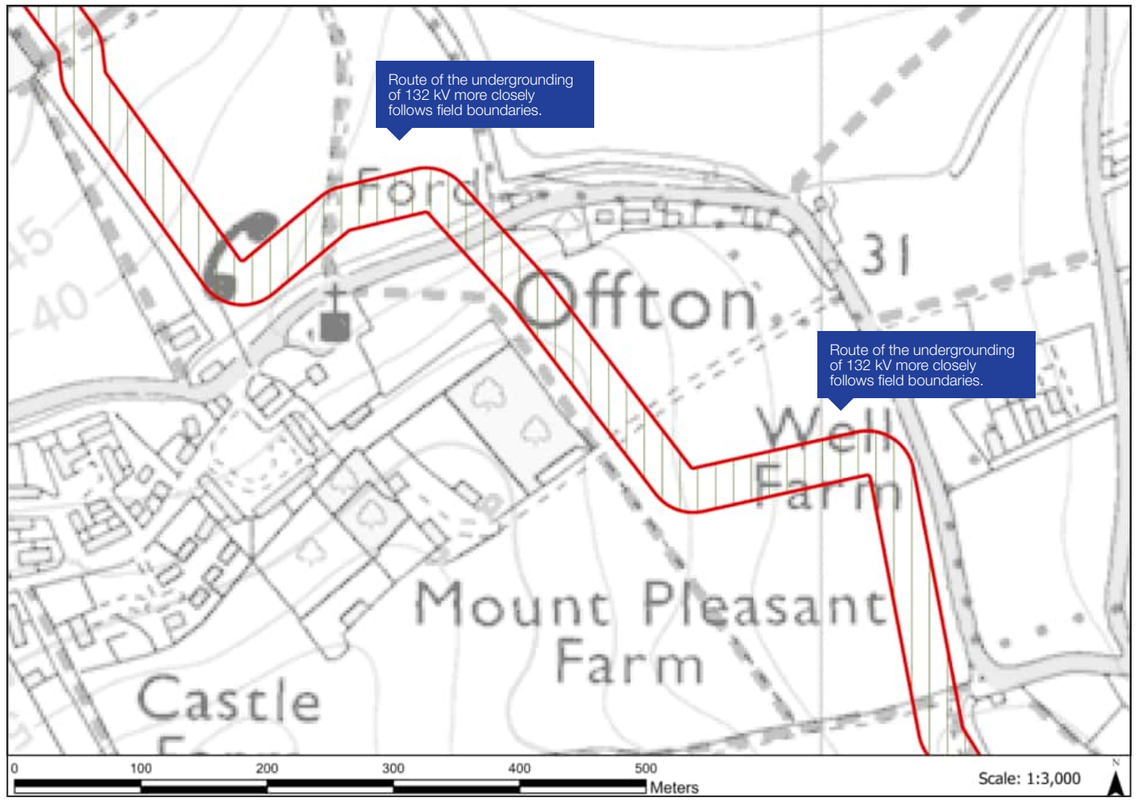

Have your say

Our targeted consultation on the proposed changes at this location runs from **12 noon 30 January 2025 to 11:59 pm 3 March 2025.**

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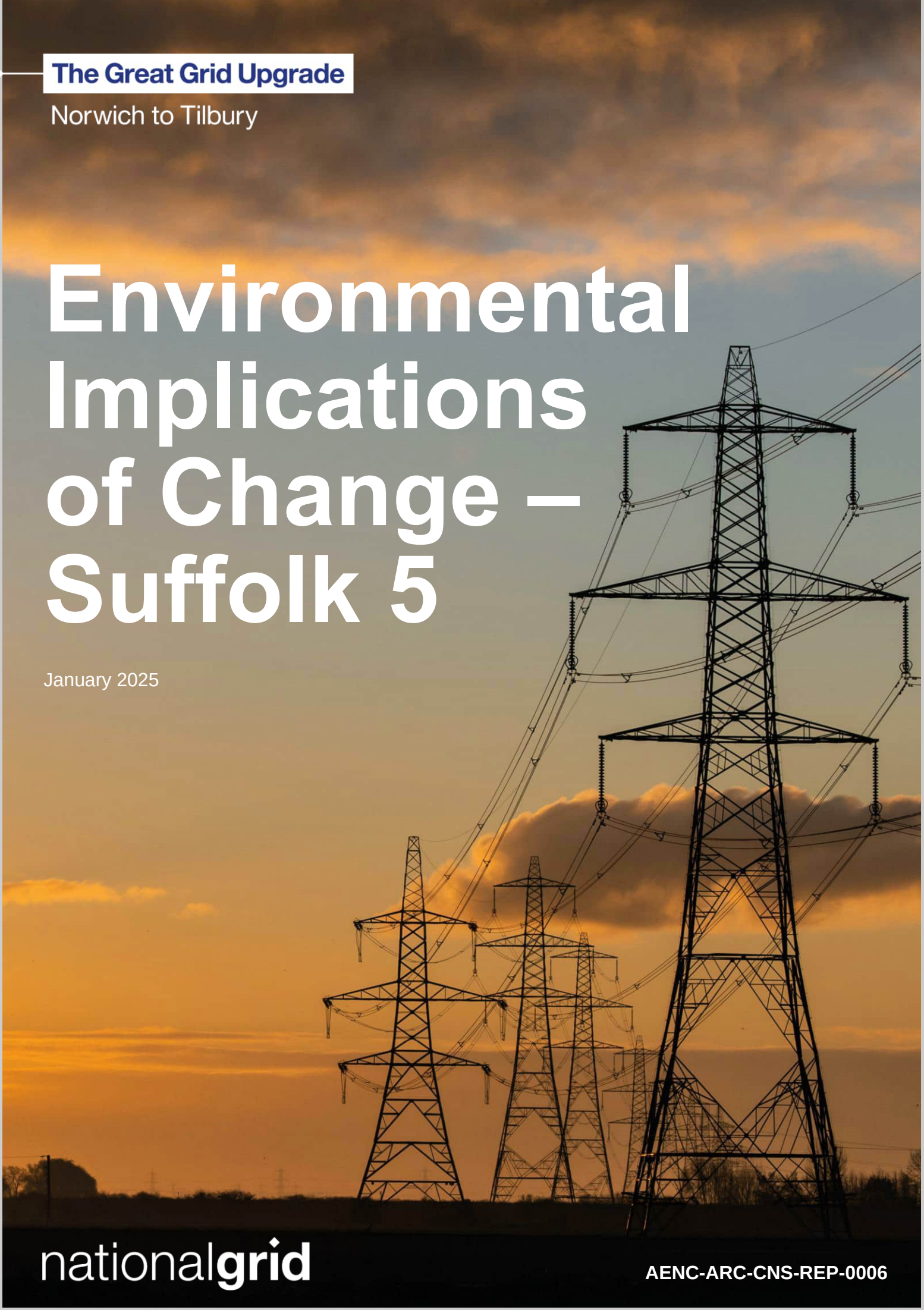

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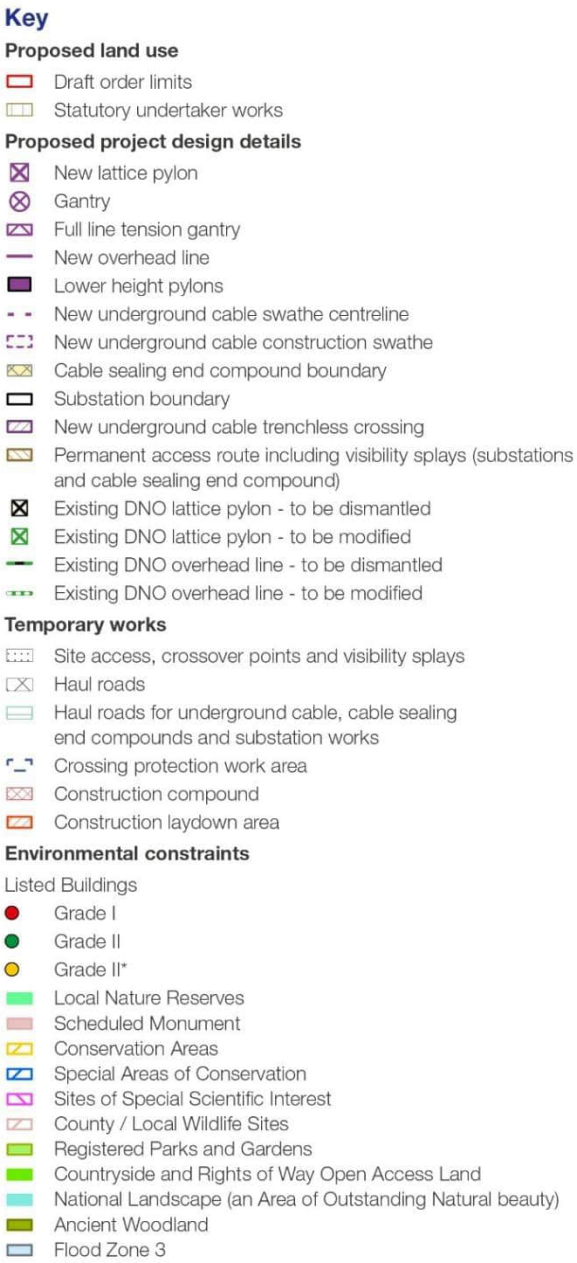

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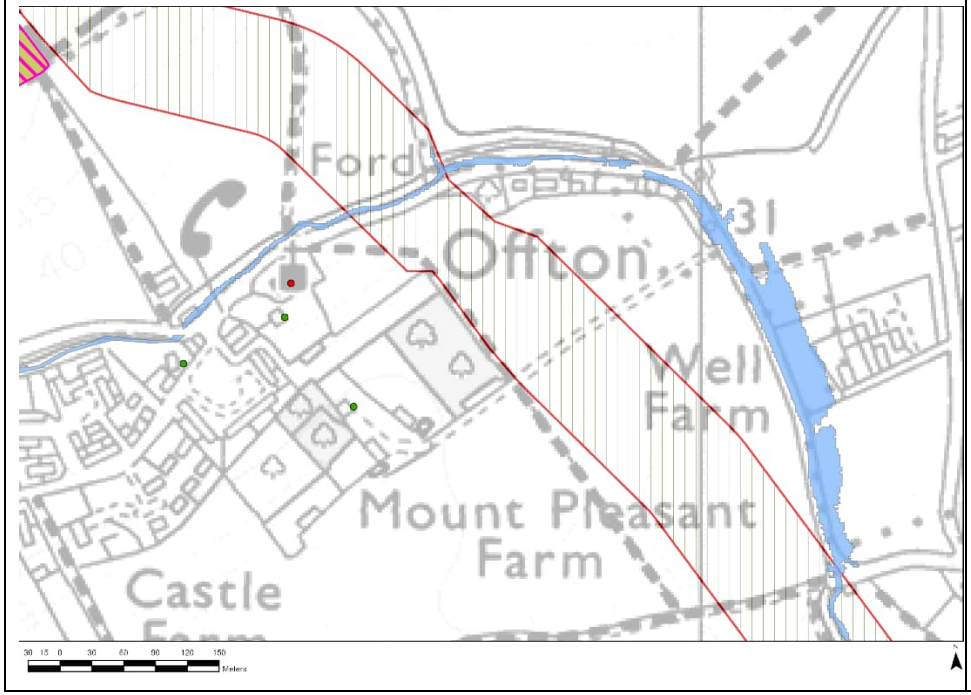

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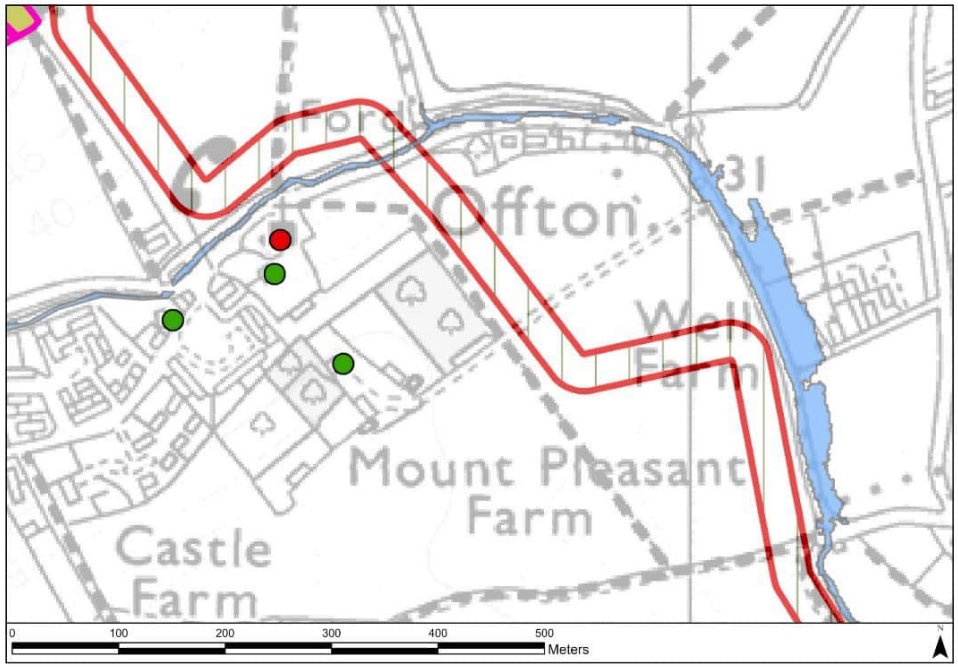

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Environmental Topic	**Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the change requested proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR**
Agriculture and Soils	Indicative mapping shows similar 'Provisional Agricultural Land Classification' grading and soil types as identified for the design presented at statutory consultation. There would be no change to the type or significance of agriculture and soil effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Air Quality	There would be no change to the type or significance of air quality effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Ecology and Biodiversity	The proposed change would reduce the width of underground cabling which would be likely to have less effects on ecological features and lower fragmentation effects when compared to the design presented at statutory consultation. There would be no change to the type or significance of ecology and biodiversity effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Contaminated Land, Geology and Hydrogeology	There would be no change to the type or significance of contaminated land, geology and hydrogeology effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

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Health and Wellbeing	There would be no change to the type or significance of health and wellbeing effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Historic Environment	The proposed change would locate the underground cabling works closer to the Grade I listed Church of St Mary and the Grade II listed The Green and The Old Vicarage, however, any potential effects on these listed buildings would be temporary during the construction period. There would be no change to the type or significance of historic environment effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Hydrology, Land Drainage and Flood Risk	Compared to the design presented at statutory consultation, the proposed change would result in a larger construction footprint adjacent to 'The Channel', a watercourse that flows into the River Gipping. However, there would be no change to the type or significance of hydrology, land drainage and flood risk effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Landscape and Visual	The proposed change would bring the route of the underground cable works closer to residential properties at the edge of Offton, although potential visual effects would be temporary. The cable route would be reduced in width when compared with the design presented at statutory consultation, potentially requiring less vegetation loss. In terms of landscape, effects on landscape character are likely to be similar. This is because the design presented at statutory consultation and the proposed change would both introduce underground cable into the rolling valley farmland. Effects would be temporary during construction. There would be no change to the type or significance of landscape and visual effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Noise and Vibration	There would be no change to the type or significance of noise and vibration effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Socio-economics, Recreation and Tourism	There would be no change to the type or significance of socio-economic, recreation and tourism effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
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We are consulting on the proposed changes described below and overleaf between 30 January and 3 March 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing to reposition the underground cable alignment near Raydon to the east of the location that was presented in summer 2024, and near Manor Farm to the south east of the location presented at our statutory consultation. We are also proposing to reposition the temporary works access and compound near Holton St Mary to avoid passing through the centre of the village. You can see both the proposals presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024 and our proposed changes on the maps overleaf.

This is in response to consultation feedback which asked us to consider:

- reducing impacts on residential properties
- lessening impacts on agricultural activities by reducing the number of fields crossed
- moving the cable further away from water pipelines
- reducing the impact of heavy goods vehicles (HGVs) and large loads traffic through Holton St Mary.

The proposed change would result in the underground cables passing to the east of Wenham Grove and allowing for more extensive screening of the Cable Sealing End compound' (CSE) through more effective planting. The alignment would move closer to Manor Farm and Bottle Bridge Cottages, where there would be some temporary construction effects.

The proposed change would lessen the impact on agricultural activity by reducing the number of fields affected by construction, compared to the previous proposal. The proposed change would also include moving the underground cabling at the south east of Raydon to reduce effects on residential properties, along with other minor amendments to the order limits.

We are proposing a temporary construction access road which would turn off the B1070 to the east of Holton St Mary via a new bellmouth. It would cross agricultural fields to the north of the village to access the construction compound located to the northwest near Raydon. The proposed route would reduce the effects of construction HGVs at Holton St Mary and follow field boundaries where possible to reduce agricultural impacts.

Alignment presented at the 2024 statutory consultation

Key

Proposed land use

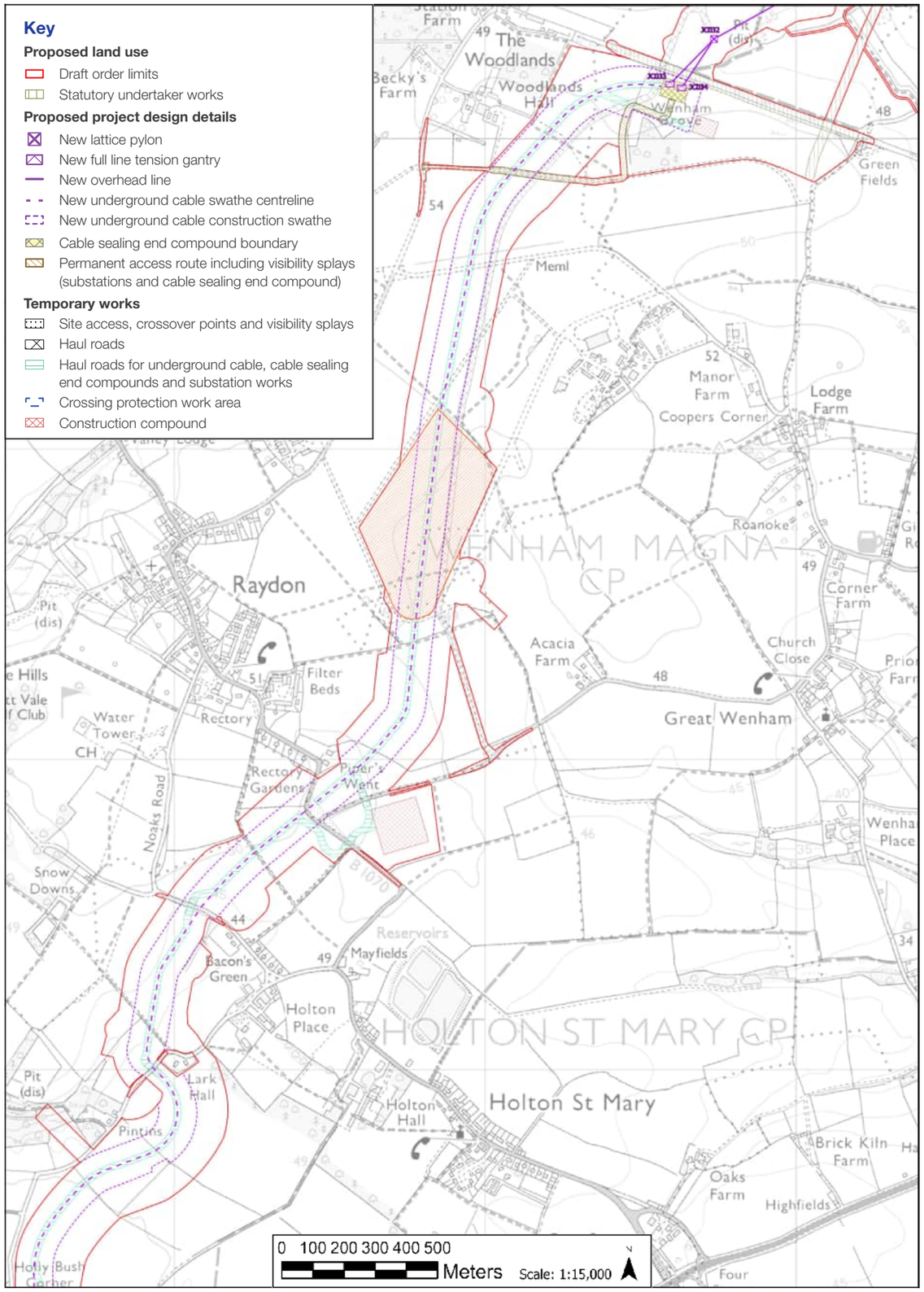
- Draft order limits
- Statutory undertaker works

Proposed project design details

- New lattice pylon
- New full line tension gantry
- New overhead line
- New underground cable swathe centreline
- New underground cable construction swathe
- Cable sealing end compound boundary
- Permanent access route including visibility splays (substations and cable sealing end compound)

Temporary works

- Site access, crossover points and visibility splays
- Haul roads
- Haul roads for underground cable, cable sealing end compounds and substation works
- Crossing protection work area
- Construction compound



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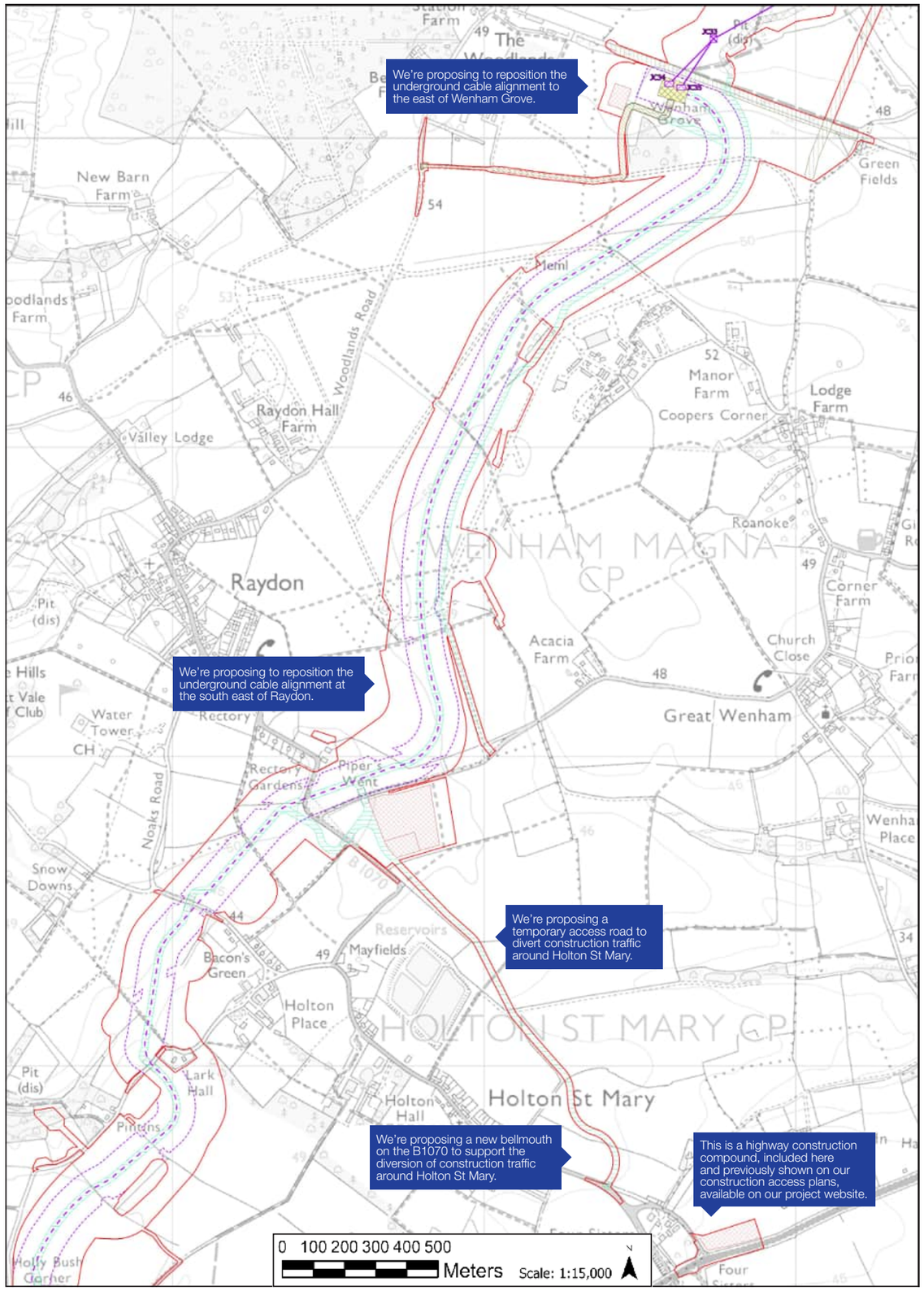

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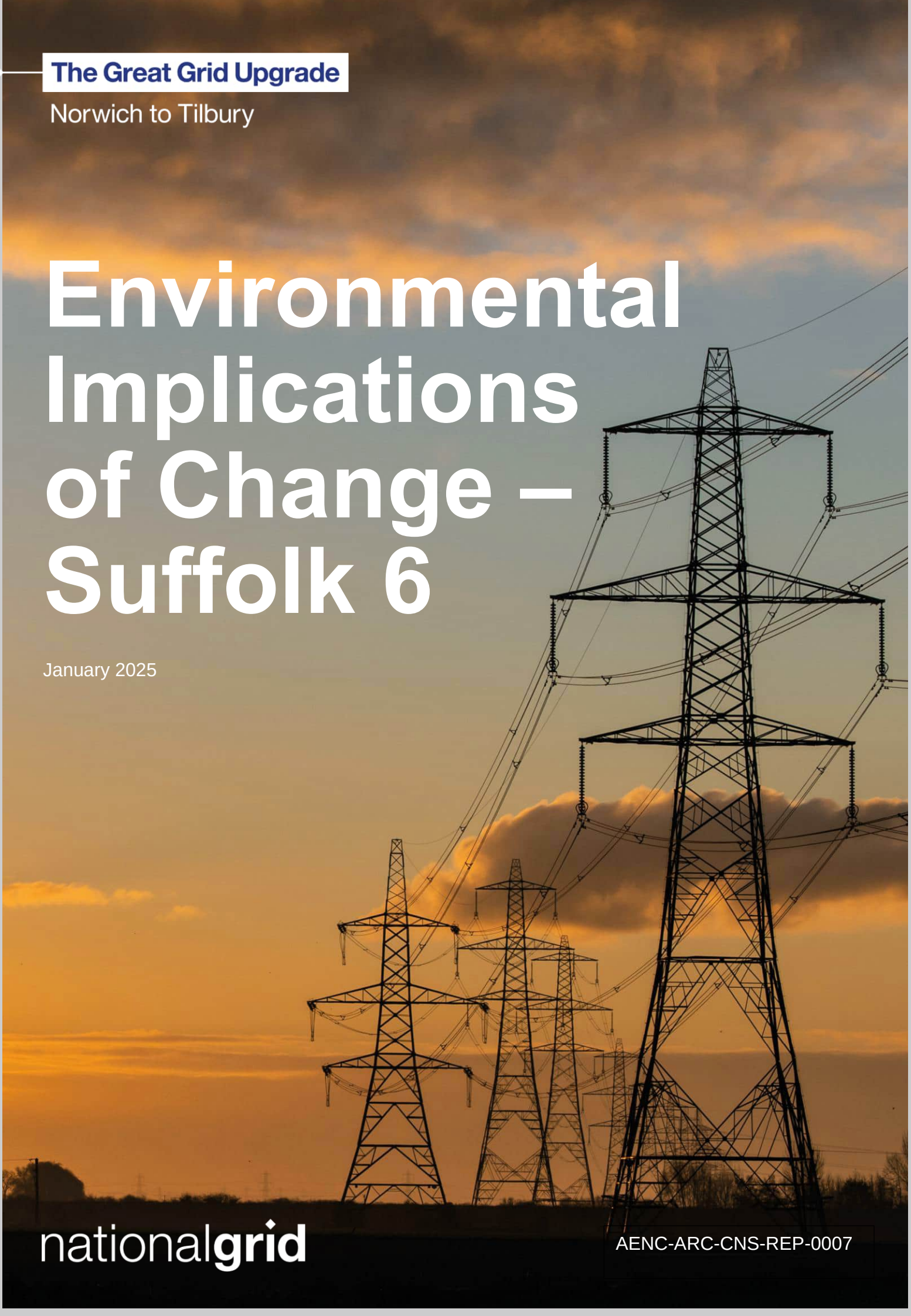

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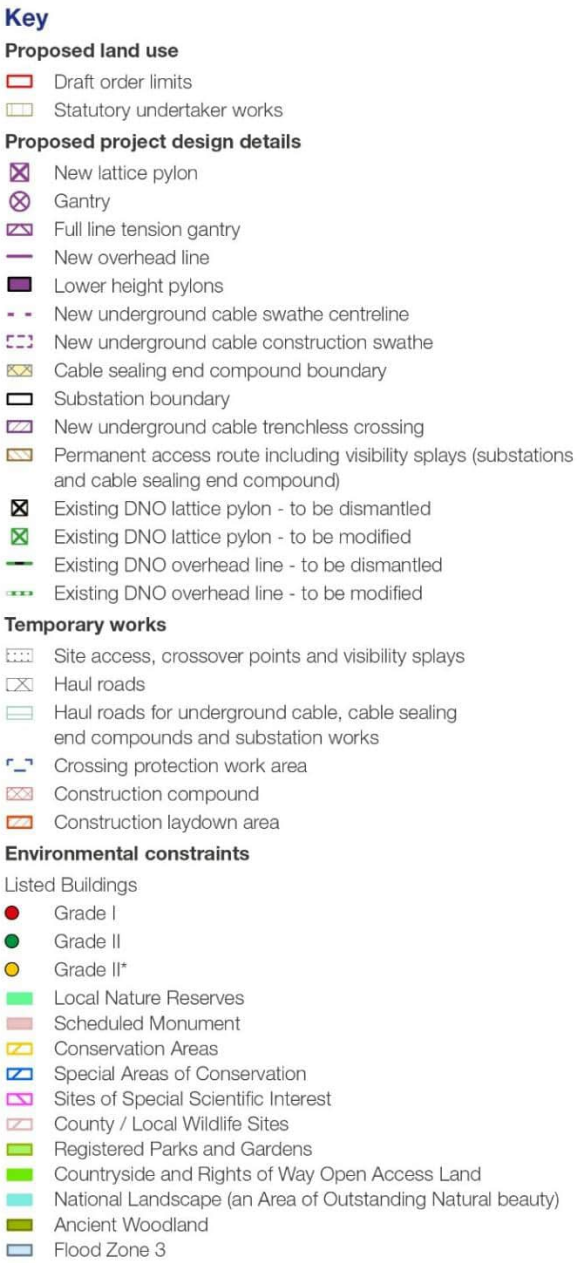

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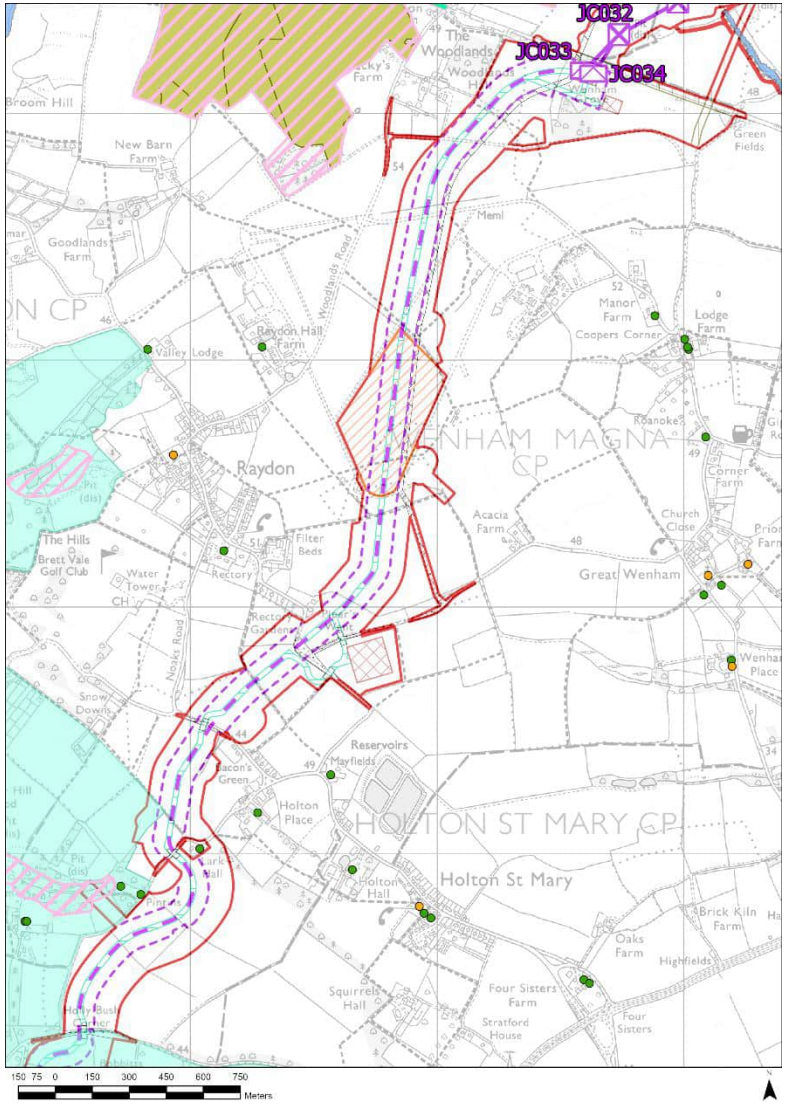

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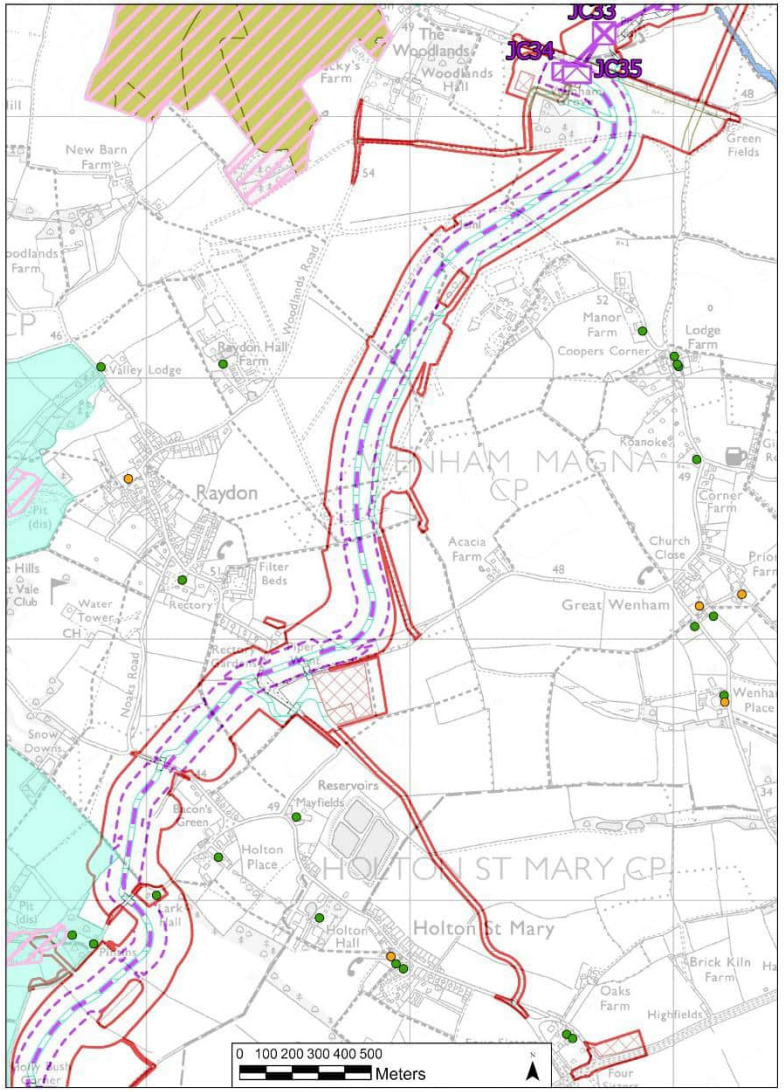

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Agriculture and Soils	Indicative mapping shows similar 'Provisional Agricultural Land Classification' grading and soil types as identified for the design presented at statutory consultation. There would be no change to the type or significance of agriculture and soil effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Air Quality	There would be no change to the type or significance of air quality effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Ecology and Biodiversity	There would be no change to the type or significance of ecology and biodiversity effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Contaminated Land, Geology and Hydrogeology	There would be no change to the type or significance of contaminated land, geology and hydrogeology effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Health and Wellbeing	There would be no change to the type or significance of health and wellbeing effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

Environmental Topic	Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR
Historic Environment	The proposed change would move the underground cabling works closer to three grade II listed buildings at Coopers Corner, increasing the potential for temporary construction phase effects through change to setting. It would also move the works closer to the complex of designated assets at Little Wenham, although this would be at sufficient distance that the proposed change would be unlikely to change the effect. The proposed primary access route change would have the potential to affect currently unknown archaeology. The proposed change would remove construction traffic passing listed buildings in Holton St Mary. There would be no change to the type or significance of historic environment effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Hydrology, Land Drainage and Flood Risk	There would be no change to the type or significance of hydrology, land drainage and flood risk effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Landscape and Visual	The proposed change to the underground cabling alignment would move temporary construction activity further from the property at Woodlands Hall to the west, but closer to Bottle Bridge Cottages to the east when compared to the design presented at statutory consultation. In terms of landscape, effects on landscape character are likely to be similar. This is because the design presented at statutory consultation and the proposed change would both introduce underground cable into the Ancient Estate Claylands landscape character type. Effects would be temporary during construction. The proposed primary access route change would require the removal of field boundary vegetation including hedgerows. The proposed change would take construction traffic away from Holton St Mary, reducing effects on visual receptors during the construction period. Overall, there would be no change to the type or significance of landscape and visual effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Noise and Vibration	There would be no change to the type or significance of noise and vibration effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Socio-economics, Recreation and Tourism	There would be no change to the type or significance of socio-economic, recreation and tourism effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Traffic and Transport	There would be no change to the type or significance of traffic and transport effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

1.3 Conclusion

1.3.1 The proposed change would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the PEIR (National Grid, 2024) which was published for statutory consultation. The PEIR can be viewed here.

1.3.2 If the proposed change is taken forwards, the baseline information (and environmental surveys) and assessment associated with this change would be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES).

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Project website

Targeted consultations for Norwich to Tilbury

Our targeted consultation on proposed changes in Norfolk and Suffolk runs from 12 noon 30 January 2025 to 11:59pm 3 March 2025

Following our statutory consultation last summer, we have carefully reviewed all the feedback we received, and we have identified some locations where we could, potentially, make some small changes to the proposals we published. Most of these changes have been identified from the feedback we received, along with the consideration of the findings of environmental and engineering surveys.

Before we make any decisions, we are going back to consult with those people living near these proposed changes. We are writing to nearby residents and community representatives to explain the proposed changes and give them the opportunity to provide feedback.

While these are local, targeted consultations anyone can take part, and more information on the proposed changes is available below. You can take part either by emailing us, writing to us using our Freepost address or via the online questionnaire here.

Please let us know which location you're providing feedback on when submitting comments. Each location has a reference name, which is available in the documentation, available in our project library here.

We are phasing the consultations starting with locations in Norfolk and Suffolk from Thursday 30 January until Monday 3 March 2025 and will follow up next month with locations in Essex and Thurrock. Each consultation will be open for 30 days.

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Providing feedback

If you would like to comment on any of the proposed changes, you can send feedback via our online feedback questionnaire or write or email us using the contact details below:

- Email - contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com
- Freepost – FREEPOST N TO T
- Online feedback questionnaire - click here

Each location has been given a reference, please quote this in any correspondence.

Webinars

We're holding three webinars via Microsoft Teams to give people an opportunity to ask the project team questions.

You can sign up for a webinar by clicking on one of the links below:

- Norfolk - 11 February 2025 at 6:00 pm
- Norfolk and Suffolk - 12 February 2025 at 12 noon
- Suffolk - 13 February 2025 at 6:00 pm

To view information on a change, please click on the relevant section below

Norfolk 1

Norfolk 2

Norfolk 3

Norfolk 4

Suffolk 1

Suffolk 2

Suffolk 3

Suffolk 4

Suffolk 5

Suffolk 6

Document library

In the library below you can view all the materials we've produced for this targeted consultation. Each consultation brochure contains a map and relevant information on the associated change.

Name
Norfolk 1 - Consultation Leaflet
Norfolk 1 - Environmental Implications of Change
Norfolk 2 - Consultation Leaflet
Norfolk 2 - Environmental Implications of Change
Norfolk 3 - Consultation Leaflet
Norfolk 3 - Environmental Implications of Change
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Webinar material

Norwich to Tilbury- Norfolk and Suffolk

Norwich to Tilbury
February 2025

The Great Grid Upgrade
Norwich to Tilbury

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Agenda

01	Introduction and project background
02	Project overview and proposed changes
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Introduction and project background

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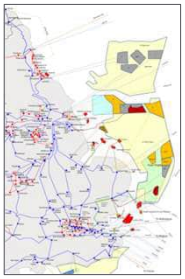
The regional challenge

- Significant amount of energy generation above current capacity connecting in East Anglia
- The Climate Emergency – **net zero by 2050**
- Government's offshore wind ambition - **50 GW by 2030**
- Offshore wind connection points and network reinforcements are required up and down the East Coast.



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The Great Grid Upgrade

Norwich to Tilbury is part of The Great Grid Upgrade – the largest overhaul of the electricity grid in generations, and covering the development of 17 projects.

The Great Grid Upgrade will play a big part in the UK government's plan to boost homegrown power.

It will help the UK switch to clean energy, by enabling the connection of more renewable and low carbon electricity and will create long lasting benefits to households and businesses across the UK.

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Activity following the 2024 consultation

- Reviewed and considered feedback and further developing our design taking this into account.
- Continued liaising with landowners along the route for access to surveys and to seek voluntary agreements.
- Continued our environmental surveys and technical appraisals to inform design and the Environmental Statement (ES).
- Continued to engage with stakeholders and elected representatives, including local authorities, environmental bodies and MPs across the Project area.
- Continue to publish Project updates.

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Alternatives

We've received a lot of consultation feedback on alternative technology solutions, such as:

- Integrated offshore grid
- Offshore cable - Norfolk to Essex
- Onshore undergrounding (AC and HVDC)

ESO published their Independent Study on 12 March 2024

NESO Clean Power 2030 report – November 2024

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Targeted consultation

- Following the statutory consultation last summer, we've considered all consultation feedback and the findings of ongoing assessments and surveys
- As a result, we have identified some locations where we might make changes to our proposals – such as moving some pylon locations and/or changing the location of some temporary works or construction access roads, tracks, and compounds
- Before we make any decisions on these proposed changes, we are holding local, targeted, non-statutory consultations to give local residents and stakeholders the opportunity to provide feedback
- We will then refine our proposals ahead of submitting our application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) in 2025.
- The targeted consultations on proposed changes in Norfolk and Suffolk opened on **30 January**, which will close on **3 March at 11:59 pm**.

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Maps and plans

- We've published a range of information including maps and consultation leaflets describing the proposed changes. We've also published accompanying environmental information
- The maps show the draft order limits - this is the area within which work may occur - but not all the land shown will be affected
- All the information on the proposed changes is available on our website

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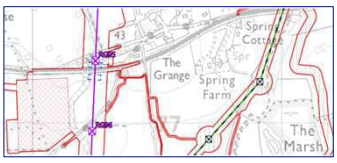
Examples of what is shown on the consultation plans

- Before and after plans to show proposed change to overhead lines and underground cables (alignment, type of pylon, replacement of UKPN by cable etc)
- Before and after plans showing proposed change to location of compounds and main construction access points or new off-highway access route
- Plans also show (within relevant area) proposed, local changes of: pylon position; rights of access; construction access alignment.



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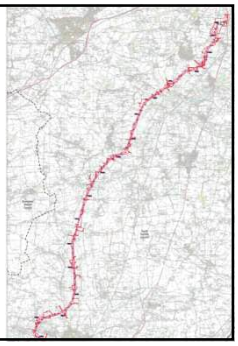
Section A – South Norfolk

- We are proposing to build an overhead line heading south out of Norwich Main Substation (the start point of Norwich to Tilbury), and running to the east of Mulbarton, Tacolneston and Shelfanger, and then to the west of Roydon on the Mid Suffolk border.



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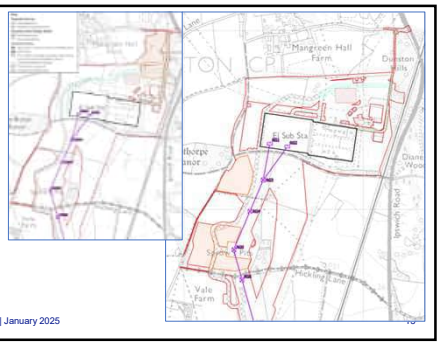
Norfolk 1

- Temporary construction laydown areas around Norwich Main substation repositioned to avoid conflicting with the construction of other proposed developments in the area.
- Other changes to temporary works to accommodate the positioning of soil storage and associated landscaping works at Norwich Main substation.



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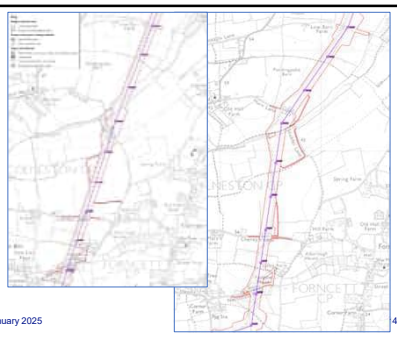
Norfolk 2

- Overhead line alignment near Forncett St Mary repositioned to the west of its previous location to help reduce the impacts on the site used for flying model aircraft.
- Two pylons (RG30 and RG33) would become angle pylons.
- Our proposed change would also move RG39 closer to a field boundary and adjust the alignment closer to the mid-point between properties along Northfield Road.
- Other haul road and bellmouth movements.



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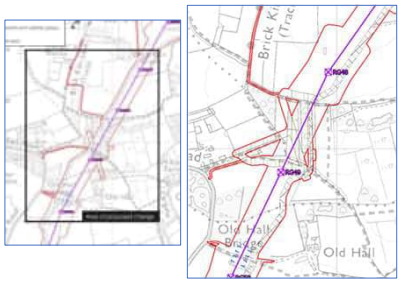
Norfolk 3

- Overhead line alignment between Tibenham and Bunwell Hill repositioned to the west.
- Changes to related temporary and permanent accesses, as well as the haul road and bellmouths.
- Undergrounding of the existing lower voltage electricity overhead line to follow field boundaries and the haul road, minimising tree removal.



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Norfolk 4

- We are proposing to relocate a temporary construction laydown area near Winfarthing to the south of the B1134 to avoid buried heritage assets.
- The proposed change would not affect the overhead alignment.

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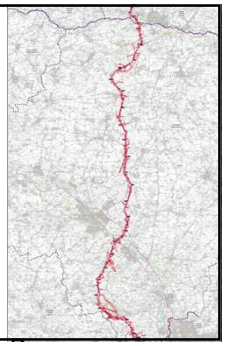
Section B – Mid Suffolk

- From the county boundary between South Norfolk and Mid Suffolk, the 2024 preferred draft alignment would run south, passing to the west of Mellis and to the east of Gislingham.
- It would then continue south past Stowupland and Needham Market, before crossing back over the railway and turning eastwards at Offton, running north of Flowton and connecting into Bramford Substation.
- From here, the overhead line would run south-east for a short distance to the border with Babergh district.



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Suffolk 1/1a

- Alignment of pylons between Palgrave and Mellis repositioned to the southeast to follow existing 132 kV line.
- Further 2 km (approx.) of the 132 kV pylon line replaced with underground cable.
- Amendments to temporary and permanent access arrangements, haul road, bellmouths, as well as the temporary construction compound and the associated construction access.

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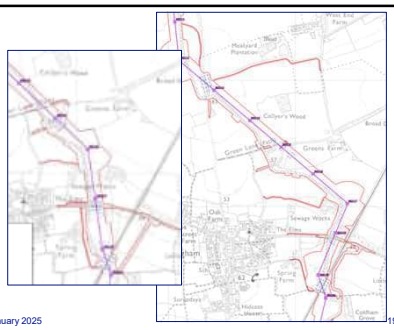
Suffolk 2

- Overhead line alignment repositioned further away from the village of Gislingham.
- One additional pylon, and angle tower repositioned further east to increase its distance from properties.
- Construction area repositioned to the north of Thornham Road to allow for better screening and reduce the impacts on trees.
- Change to the permanent access route would also follow the repositioned alignment, and two bellmouths would be moved.



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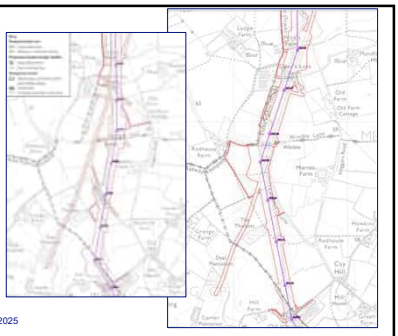
Suffolk 3

- Overhead line near Cay Hill repostioned to the west, increasing the distances from properties and avoiding woodland oversail.
- Temporary access arrangements would more closely follow field boundaries.
- Modification to the diversions of lower voltage electricity connections to follow field edges.
- Haul road and bellmouths repositioned.



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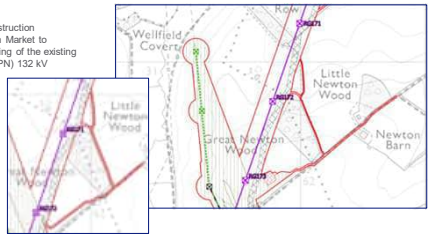
Additional temporary construction compound near Needham Market to facilitate the undergrounding of the existing UK Power Networks (UKPN) 132 kV overhead line.



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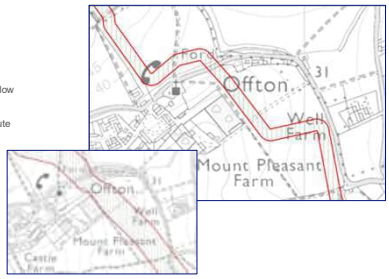
Suffolk 5

- Underground cable route for the existing UKPN 132 kV overhead line near Offton repositioned to follow field boundaries more closely.
- This 132 kV underground cable route would replace the existing 132 kV pylons that are owned by UKPN.



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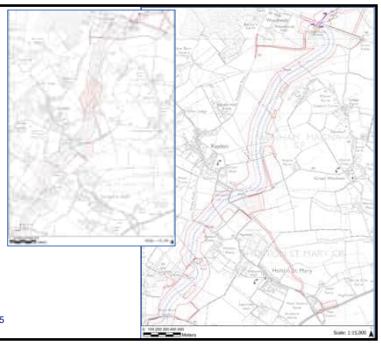
Suffolk 6

- Underground cable alignment near Raydon repositioned to the east, and near Manor Farm to the southeast.
- Temporary works access and compound near Holton St Mary repositioned.
- Additional temporary construction access road which would turn off the B1070 to the east of Holton St Mary via a new bellmouth. To reduce the effects of construction HGVs at Holton St Mary and follow field boundaries where possible to reduce agricultural impacts.



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Timing and duration

- Each of our targeted consultations will run for 30 days. We are launching the first of our targeted consultations on **30 January**, closing on **3 March**.

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Webinar events

Date	Time
Tuesday 11 February: Norfolk	6-7 pm
Wednesday 12 February: Norfolk & Suffolk	12 noon-1 pm
Thursday 13 February: Suffolk	6-7 pm

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Key materials

- **Digital materials, including:**
  - Updated project website
  - FAQs
  - Online feedback questionnaire
- **Non-technical documents, including:**
  - Community Newsletter
  - Consultation Leaflets
  - Feedback questionnaire
- You can still view our previous project documents on our project website.

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Keeping you informed

Throughout the consultation and the project development process we will issue updates including:

- **Regular E-project updates**
- **Website updates**
- **Emails, letters and postcards to PCZ at key project milestones**

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How to respond to our consultation

- There are a range of ways to provide feedback:
  - **Website**: www.nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury
  - **Email**: contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com
  - **Freepost:** FREEPOST N TO T
- Feedback questionnaires are available:
  - online
  - on request
  - at inspection points
- We also have a freephone hotline: 0800 915 2497

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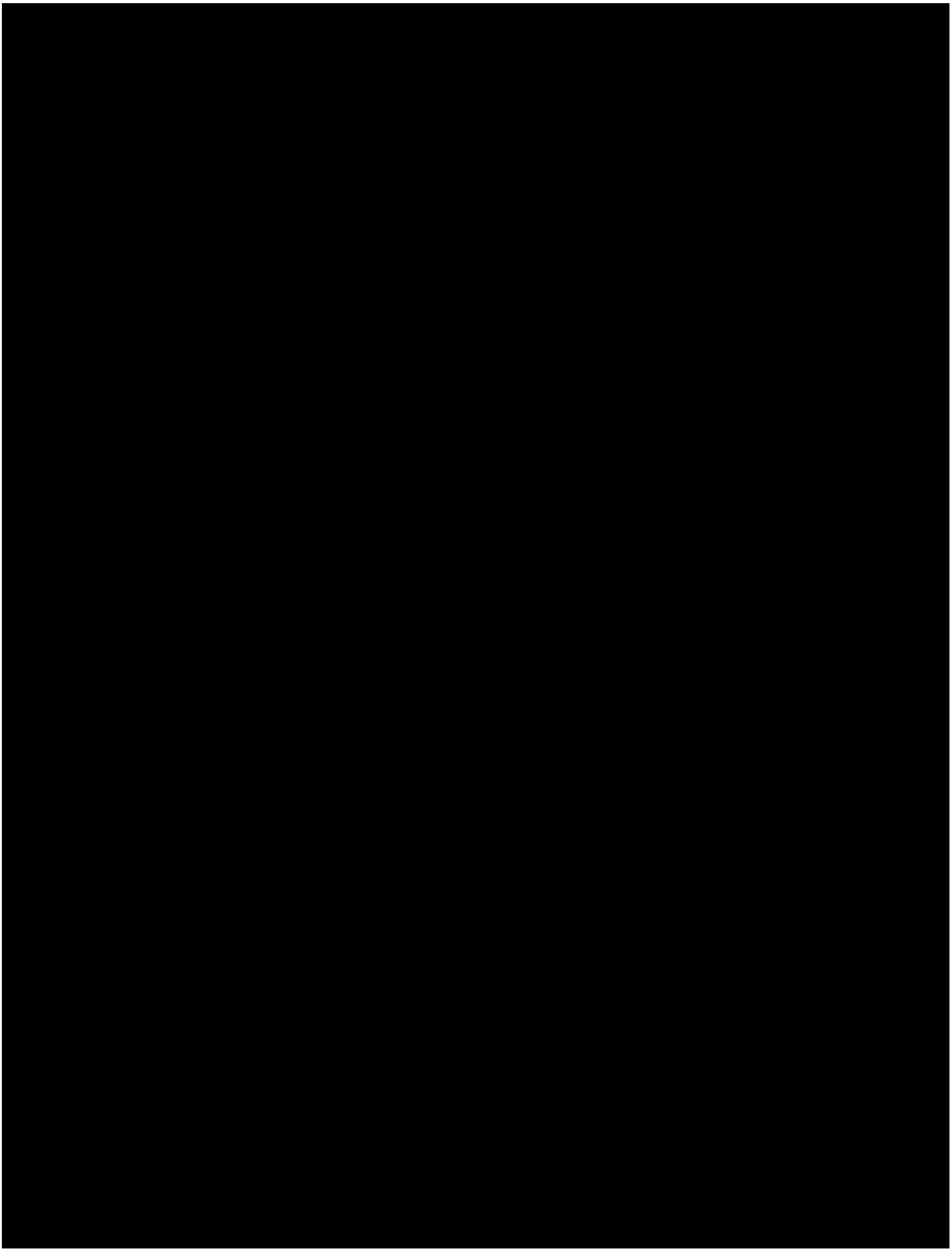

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The deadline for feedback is 11:59 pm on 3 March 2025

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Correspondence sent

K18.1 – Letter sent to S42(1)(a) and (b) consultees

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25 February 2025

Dear Sir / Madam

Targeted Consultation for the project called Norwich to Tilbury: 12 noon 25 February 2025 to 11:59 pm 27 March 2025

Section 42 Planning Act 2008 (as amended): Duty to consult on a proposed application

The Infrastructure Planning (Applications and Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (as amended) (the "APFP Regulations")

Notification under the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (as amended) (the "EIA Regulations")

We are writing to inform you that National Grid Electricity Transmission plc ("National Grid") is carrying out further targeted consultation on proposals for the project called Norwich to Tilbury ("the Project"). This consultation, combined with previous rounds of consultation, relates to a proposed application to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero ("the Secretary of State") under the Planning Act 2008 (the "Act") for a Development Consent Order ("DCO") for the Project.

This targeted consultation runs from **12 noon 25 February 2025 to 11:59 pm 27 March 2025.**

Following the close of our previous statutory consultation on 26 July 2024, the National Grid Project team has been reviewing feedback received during that consultation, as well as considering the findings of further assessments including environmental surveys, and considering where there is potential to make further changes to our proposals. A number of potential localised changes are being considered, and we are asking people in close proximity to these changes to provide their feedback. No final decisions have been made on the changes.

We are contacting you because you are a prescribed consultee or local authority under Section 42(1) of the Act and in accordance with Schedule 1 of the APFP Regulations, as amended by the Infrastructure Planning (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 2024.

The Project

The Project is a proposal by National Grid to upgrade the electricity transmission system in East Anglia between Norwich and Tilbury. The Project includes a new 400 kilovolt ("kV") electricity transmission connection of approximately 184 kilometres ("km") in overall length from Norwich Main Substation and Tilbury Substation via Bramford Substation, currently comprising:

- approximately 159 km of new overhead line supported on approximately 510 steel lattice pylons (approximately 50 metres ("m") in height) some of which are gantries (typically up to 15 m in height) within proposed Cable Sealing End ("CSE") compounds, or existing or proposed substations
- approximately 25 km of 400 kV underground cabling some of which is located through the Dedham Vale National Landscape (formerly known as Dedham Vale AONB)
- six new CSE compounds, each with a permanent access, to connect the overhead lines to the underground cables
- a new 400 kV East Anglia Connection Node ("EACN") substation, with a new permanent access, on the Tendring Peninsula. This is proposed to be an Air Insulated Switchgear ("AIS") substation
- substation extension works at the existing Norwich Main, and Bramford substations and works within the existing Tilbury Substation to connect and support operation of the new transmission connection

Third party utilities diversions and / or modifications would also be required to facilitate the construction of the Project. There would also be land required for mitigation, compensation and enhancement of the environment including Biodiversity Net Gain.

As well as the permanent infrastructure, land would also be required temporarily for construction activities including, for example, working areas for construction equipment and machinery, site offices, welfare, storage and temporary construction access.

The Project would be designed, constructed and operated in accordance with applicable health and safety legislation. The Project would also need to comply with design safety standards including the National Electricity Transmission System ("NETS") Security and Quality of Supply Standard, which sets out the criteria and methodology for planning and operating the NETS. This informs a suite of National Grid policies and processes, which contain details on design standards required to be met when designing, constructing and operating assets such as proposed for the Project.

Norwich to Tilbury will play a vital role in delivering electricity efficiently, reliably, and safely and will support the UK's move to reduce carbon emissions and we are committed to working with local communities as we develop our plans.

National Grid expects the Project to be classified as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project ("NSIP") and to require consent from the Secretary of State via a DCO. The development consent being sought would include a number of other provisions, including those for the compulsory acquisition of land and interests in and rights over land, overriding easements and other rights, the temporary use of land, and other ancillary powers, if necessary, to construct and maintain the Project.

Previous statutory consultation and information on environmental effects

The Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment ("EIA") development, as defined by the EIA Regulations and is currently in the pre-application stage of the DCO application process.

As part of that process, during the statutory consultation which took place from April to July 2024, we sought views on the potential environmental effects of the proposed Project and if consultees had suggestions for reducing these effects (for example, through mitigation measures). This information was detailed in the 2024 Preliminary Environmental Information Report ("the 2024 PEIR").

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An Environmental Statement will subsequently be prepared in accordance with the EIA Regulations and will accompany the application for development consent.

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From: Norwich-Tilbury Consents <Consents.N-T@nationalgrid.com>
Sent: 17
To: [redacted]
Subject: nsultation for the project called Norwich to Tilbury: 12 noon 25 February 2025 to 11:59 pm 27 March 2025
Attachments: s42 prescribed targeted consultation letter PDF.pdf

From: Norwich-Tilbury Consents <Consents.N-T@nationalgrid.com>
Sent: 25 February 2025 13:07
Subject: Targeted Consultation for the project called Norwich to Tilbury: 12 noon 25 February 2025 to 11:59 pm 27 March 2025

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K18.3 – Email sent to Councillors

Outlook

Norwich to Tilbury, targeted consultations 25 February to 27 March 2025

From Contact Norwich to Tilbury <contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com>
Date Tue 25/02/2025 12:17
To Contact Norwich to Tilbury <contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com>

[redacted]

Dear Councillor

Targeted consultations on proposed changes to Norwich to Tilbury – Tuesday 25 February to 11:59 pm on Thursday 27 March 2025

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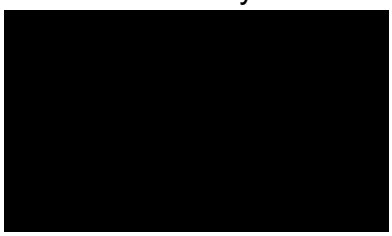
The feedback we receive will be considered and used to help refine our proposals ahead of the submission of our application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) in 2025.

If you would like further information or a briefing on the targeted consultations, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully



K18.4 – Email sent to non-prescribed consultees

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National Grid – Norwich to Tilbury, targeted consultations 25 February to 27 March 2025

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K18.5 – Letter sent to S42(1)(d) consultees

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Party Reference: 24712
Area Reference: Essex 1, Essex 6

25.02.2025

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TO BOOK A MEETING TO DISCUSS HOW THIS PROPOSAL AFFECTS YOUR LAND INTEREST(S) PLEASE CONTACT:

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Norwich to Tilbury Lands Team
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Appendix K19

S42(1)(d) Consultee list

S42(1)(d) Consultees- Targeted Consultation: Essex and Thurrock

This appendix provides a list of those PILs consulted on changes:

- Essex 1 to 13; and
- Thurrock 1 to 2.

Each table includes the category of the interest (for the purposes of section 44) and the dates between which the interest was consulted.

Table L19.1 Interests [redacted] ection 42(1)(d) of PA 2008

PIL ID	CCZ Area	Category	Type of interest	Consultation Dates
14421	Essex 1	1	#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14422	Essex 1	1	#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14423	Essex 1	1	#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14936	Essex 1	1	Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14937	Essex 1	1	Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
15852	Essex 1	1	Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
15853	Essex 1	1	Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
24712	Essex 1	1	#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
24713	Essex 1	1	#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4062	Essex 1	1,2	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
9034	Essex 1	1,2	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14413	Essex 1	1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
356	Essex 1	2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
1307	Essex 1	2	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
1610	Essex 1	2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4531	Essex 1	2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
5052	Essex 1	2	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14230	Essex 1	2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14211	Essex 1, Essex 2, Essex 5, Essex 6	2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25

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10361	Essex 1, Essex 2, Essex 8, Thurrock 2	British Telecommunications Plc	1	Freehold, Leasehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
9112	Essex 1, Essex 2, Essex4, Essex 5, Essex 6, Essex 7, Essex 8, Essex 9, Essex, 10, Essex 12, Essex 13	Essex County Council	1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10188	Essex 1, Essex 5, Essex 6, Essex 7, Thurrock 2	Anglian Water Services Limited	1,2	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10464	Essex 1, Essex 6, Essex 9, Essex 10, Essex 13, Thurrock 1, Thurrock 2	Cadent Gas Limited	1,2	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10192	Essex 1, Essex 7, Essex 8,	Northumbrian Water Limited	1,2	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25

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	Essex 11, Thurrock 2				
15828	Essex 1, Essex 8, Essex 10, Essex 11, Essex 13, Thurrock 2	UK Power Networks (Operations) Limited	1,2	Freehold, Leasehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
1004	Essex 10	[redacted]		Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
1064	Essex 10			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
1857	Essex 10			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
2234	Essex 10			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
2479	Essex 10			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4772	Essex 10			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6786	Essex 10			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
7251	Essex 10			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
7604	Essex 10			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
8051	Essex 10			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
8665	Essex 10			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
9062	Essex 10			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10210	Essex 10			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10318	Essex 10			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10424	Essex 10			Leasehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25

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14511	Essex 10		1	Leasehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14525	Essex 10		1	Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4316	Essex 10		1,	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4316	Essex 10		1,	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
101	Essex 10		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
292	Essex 10		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4558	Essex 10		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4564	Essex 10		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
8606	Essex 10		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
9226	Essex 10		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10474	Essex 10		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
2203	Essex 10		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
2216	Essex 10		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10491	Essex 10		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14220	Essex 10		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14302	Essex 10		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14309	Essex 10		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
15211	Essex 10		2	#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
15475	Essex 10		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
24204	Essex 10		2	#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10512	Essex 10, Essex 13		2	Freehold, Leasehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25

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10143	Essex 10, Thurrock 2			Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
1817	Essex 11		,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4477	Essex 11		,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10923	Essex 11		,2	Leasehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14175	Essex 11		,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14308	Essex 11			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
94	Essex 12			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
5824	Essex 12			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6036	Essex 12			#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
8246	Essex 12			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
24709	Essex 12			#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
518	Essex 13			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4305	Essex 13			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4884	Essex 13			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6084	Essex 13			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6743	Essex 13			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
7035	Essex 13			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
7395	Essex 13			Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10817	Essex 13			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14935	Essex 13			Leasehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
15187	Essex 13			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
15326	Essex 13			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25

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15347	Essex 13	[redacted]		Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
15364	Essex 13			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
15987	Essex 13			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
15990	Essex 13			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
20557	Essex 13			Leasehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4136	Essex 13		,2	Freehold, Leasehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10480	Essex 13		,2	Freehold, Leasehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14306	Essex 13			Leasehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14338	Essex 13			Freehold, Leasehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
15472	Essex 13			#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
15819	Essex 13			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
15946	Essex 13			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16135	Essex 13			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
17053	Essex 13			#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
17054	Essex 13			#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
17055	Essex 13			#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
17058	Essex 13			#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
24266	Essex 13			#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
5955	Essex 13, Thurrock 1, Thurrock 2			Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
1837	Essex 2			Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
3525	Essex 2			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25

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3985	Essex 2	[redacted]	1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
5294	Essex 2		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
7602	Essex 2		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
8508	Essex 2		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
9643	Essex 2		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
3513	Essex 2		1,	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
5883	Essex 2		1,	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
2091	Essex 2		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4594	Essex 2		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4710	Essex 2		2	#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4818	Essex 2		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
5617	Essex 2		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6332	Essex 2		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6392	Essex 2		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
8559	Essex 2		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
8969	Essex 2		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10356	Essex 2		2	Freehold, Leasehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
15468	Essex 2		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10156	Essex 2, Essex 11, Essex 13		1,2	Freehold, Leasehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25

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14305	Essex 2, Essex 3, Essex 11	[redacted]		Freehold, Mortgage	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
5741	Essex 3			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10573	Essex 3			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
21521	Essex 3			#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14219	Essex 3			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
21056	Essex 3			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
5728	Essex 4			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6155	Essex 4			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
7776	Essex 4			Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
194	Essex 5			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
789	Essex 5			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
3694	Essex 5			Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
8008	Essex 5			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
9625	Essex 5			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
19909	Essex 5			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
24699	Essex 5			#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
803	Essex 5			Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
832	Essex 5			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
1224	Essex 5			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25

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1303	Essex 5	[redacted]	2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
2924	Essex 5		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
3152	Essex 5		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
3256	Essex 5		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
9546	Essex 5		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
15466	Essex 5		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16177	Essex 5		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16191	Essex 5		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16192	Essex 5		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16198	Essex 5		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16392	Essex 5		2	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
17032	Essex 5		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
2382	Essex 5, Essex 6		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
5254	Essex 5, Essex 6		1,2	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
433	Essex 6		1	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
1030	Essex 6		1	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
2386	Essex 6		1	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6092	Essex 6		1	#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
8681	Essex 6		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
1471	Essex 6		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
2676	Essex 6		1,2	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25

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3771	Essex 6	[redacted]	1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4319	Essex 6		1,2	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6983	Essex 6		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
8790	Essex 6		1,2	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
13703	Essex 6		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
13704	Essex 6		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
13705	Essex 6		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
693	Essex 6		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
1790	Essex 6		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
2357	Essex 6		2	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4424	Essex 6		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
7128	Essex 6		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
9880	Essex 6		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
21160	Essex 6		2	#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
21161	Essex 6		2	#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16014	Essex 7			Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16014	Essex 7		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
3200	Essex 7		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4814	Essex 7		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6852	Essex 7		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
7375	Essex 7		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
7480	Essex 7		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25

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8289	Essex 7	[redacted]	1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
9886	Essex 7		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14063	Essex 7		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16211	Essex 7		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
497	Essex 7		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
1541	Essex 7		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6470	Essex 7		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16015	Essex 7		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16016	Essex 7		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16017	Essex 7		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16018	Essex 7		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16020	Essex 7		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16021	Essex 7		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16023	Essex 7		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16024	Essex 7		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16026	Essex 7		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16027	Essex 7		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16219	Essex 7		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16220	Essex 7		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16221	Essex 7		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
19907	Essex 7		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
19908	Essex 7		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25

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19957	Essex 7	[redacted]	2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
19958	Essex 7		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6898	Essex 7, Essex 8		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6	Essex 8		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
1282	Essex 8		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
2072	Essex 8		1	Leasehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
2810	Essex 8		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4168	Essex 8		1	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4405	Essex 8		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4684	Essex 8		1	Freehold, occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
5063	Essex 8		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
5513	Essex 8		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
5702	Essex 8		1	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6137	Essex 8		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6261	Essex 8		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6407	Essex 8		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6482	Essex 8		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6680	Essex 8		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6750	Essex 8		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
7037	Essex 8		1	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
7104	Essex 8		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25

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7106	Essex 8	[redacted]	1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
8449	Essex 8		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
9451	Essex 8		1	Freehold, occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
9623	Essex 8		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
9854	Essex 8		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
9871	Essex 8		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10302	Essex 8		1	Leasehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10367	Essex 8		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10433	Essex 8		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14182	Essex 8		1	Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
15985	Essex 8		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16254	Essex 8		1	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16255	Essex 8		1	Freehold, occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16439	Essex 8		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
21530	Essex 8		1	#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
24768	Essex 8		1	#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
24769	Essex 8		1	#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
3626	Essex 8		1,	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4199	Essex 8		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4711	Essex 8		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
5784	Essex 8		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
7032	Essex 8		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25

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9216	Essex 8	[redacted]	1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
9520	Essex 8		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10226	Essex 8		1,2	Freehold, Leasehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14503	Essex 8		1,2	#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
546	Essex 8		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6768	Essex 8		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
9233	Essex 8		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10273	Essex 8		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14223	Essex 8		2	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14311	Essex 8		2	Freehold, Leasehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14312	Essex 8		2	Freehold, Leasehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16934	Essex 8		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
20184	Essex 8		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14217	Essex 8, Essex 11		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
3432	Essex 9		1	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6479	Essex 9		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6498	Essex 9		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
3081	Essex 9		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
3089	Essex 9		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25

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3907	Essex 9	[redacted]	1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
4756	Essex 9		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
9057	Essex 9		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10164	Essex 9		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10559	Essex 9		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10201	Essex 9, Essex 12		1	Freehold, Leasehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
9148	Thurrock 1		1	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
15224	Thurrock 1		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
15833	Thurrock 1		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
15850	Thurrock 1		1	Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
1687	Thurrock 2		1	Freehold, Leasehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
2174	Thurrock 2		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
5084	Thurrock 2		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
5240	Thurrock 2		1	Freehold, Leasehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6687	Thurrock 2		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
7257	Thurrock 2		1	Freehold, Leasehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
7649	Thurrock 2		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
7948	Thurrock 2		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
8308	Thurrock 2		1	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
9976	Thurrock 2		1	Freehold, Occupation	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10340	Thurrock 2		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10458	Thurrock 2		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25

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10523	Thurrock 2	[redacted]	1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14442	Thurrock 2		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14466	Thurrock 2		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14467	Thurrock 2		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
16428	Thurrock 2		1	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
24746	Thurrock 2		1	#N/A	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
481	Thurrock 2		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
7947	Thurrock 2		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
10439	Thurrock 2		1,2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
6129	Thurrock 2		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
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14318	Thurrock 2		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
14319	Thurrock 2		2	Freehold	25/02/25 - 25/03/25
3513	Essex 2		1	Freehold	26/02/25 - 25/03/25
5883	Essex 2		1	Freehold	26/02/25 - 25/03/25

Table L19.2 Interests that were consulted w/c 3 March 2025, under section 42(1)(d) of PA 2008

PIL ID	CCZ Area	Consultee	Category	Type of interest	Consultation Dates
6795	Essex 5, Essex 6	[redacted]	,2	Freehold	03/03/25 - 25/03/25
7872	Essex 8			Freehold	04/03/25 - 25/03/25
16237	Thurrock 2			Occupation	04/03/25 - 25/03/25
16147a	Essex 9			#N/A	06/03/25 - 25/03/25
4693	Thurrock 1			Freehold	06/03/25 - 25/03/25

Table L19.3 Interests that were consulted w/c 10 March 2025, under section 42(1)(d) of PA 2008

PIL ID	CCZ Area	Consultee	Category	Type of interest	Consultation Dates
3626	Essex 8	[redacted]	1	Freehold	10/03/25 - 25/03/25

Appendix 20

Return to sender information

Return to Sender - S42(1)(d) Consultees- Targeted Consultation: Norfolk and Suffolk

This appendix provides the Return to Sender information for S42(1)(d) consultees for the Norfolk and Suffolk targeted consultation.

The table includes the category of the interest (for the purposes of section 44), the reason for the return to sender and the action taken.

Table LK20.1 Return to sender information for Interests that were consulted during the Essex and Thurrock non-statutory targeted consultation, under section 42(1)(d) of PA 2008

PIL ID	Consultation	Consultee	Category	Type of interest	Reason	Action
16147	Essex and Thurrock	[redacted]	2	Freehold	No longer have an interest in land	Letter sent to owner/occupier of property address
6795	Essex and Thurrock		2,3	Freehold	Unconfirmed delivery status	Letter reissued to PIL and land agent
1224	Essex and Thurrock		2,3	Freehold		Letter re-issued
4316	Essex and Thurrock		1,3	Freehold	Unconfirmed delivery status	Issued to two addresses for this PIL – one delivered, this one didn't. Decision made not to re-issue
4693	Essex and Thurrock		1,3	Freehold	Deceased	Letter re-issued to personal reps and land agent
3089	Essex and Thurrock		1,2	Freehold	Unconfirmed delivery status	Letter re-issued
9057	Essex and Thurrock		1,2	Freehold	Unconfirmed delivery status	Letter re-issued
4756	Essex and Thurrock		1,2	Freehold	Unconfirmed delivery status	Letter re-issued

PIL ID	Consultation	Consultee	Category	Type of interest	Reason	Action
0	Essex and Thurrock	[redacted]				Letter re-issued
7872	Essex and Thurrock		1	Freehold	Not known at address	Alternative address found, re-issued
3626	Essex and Thurrock		1	Freehold	Not known at address	Alternative address found, re-issued
5728	Essex and Thurrock		1,3	Freehold	No longer have an interest in land	No further action – confirmed landowner received letter separately

Appendix K21

Land agent correspondence

From:	Norwich toTilbury on behalf of Norwich-Tilbury
Sent:	24 February 2025 15:29
To:	Norwich toTilbury
Subject:	Norwich to Tilbury Targeted Consultation - Phase 2

Dear all,

National Grid and the Norwich to Tilbury project is about to commence a mailout of additional localised s.42(1)(d) notices. This is in response to feedback from last year's statutory consultation, where potential changes to the proposed route have been identified in some areas – these areas will form part of Targeted Consultations. To inform the decision-making process, we are offering the opportunity for those persons with an interest in land, within these locations, to provide feedback on the potential changes. In addition to the s.42(1)(d) pack, which includes a feedback questionnaire, your client will also receive a separate mailing with a covering letter, a leaflet with maps and an EIC (Environmental Implications of Change) leaflet explaining the change in their area.

We will shortly be sending individual emails to agents detailing which of your clients will be contacted.

Fisher German are offering online meetings during the consultation period from Tuesday 25th February to Thursday 27th March 2025 , to all affected persons with an interest in land and their agents, and will be able to share plans showing how the specific change affects their holding at that time.
During this period, we will be prioritising meetings with persons with an interest in land within the locations. We will be in touch in due course regarding your other clients who remain affected, however do not fall within these current identified locations.

To arrange a meeting please contact the team on 0808 175 3314

Kind regards

From: Norwich toTilbury
Sent: 24 February 2025 15:50
To: [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]ry
Subject: Norwich to Tilbury Targeted Consultation Phase 2 - Clients
Attachments: 13708-NG-N2T-Essex 1 - 815 and 730 Consultation Leaflet (V6).pdf; 13708-NG-N2T-Essex 2 - 406 Consultation Leaflet (V8).pdf

De [redacted]

Following the email sent earlier today regarding the Norwich to Tilbury Targeted Consultation, please see below a list of your clients who fall within one of the Targeted consultation zones, and which Consultation area(s) their land sits within:

[redacted]1
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If you would like to arrange an online meeting for any of these clients please get in touch and we will suggest some dates and times we can accommodate.
Please let us know if there are any dates to avoid.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries regarding the Targeted Consultation.

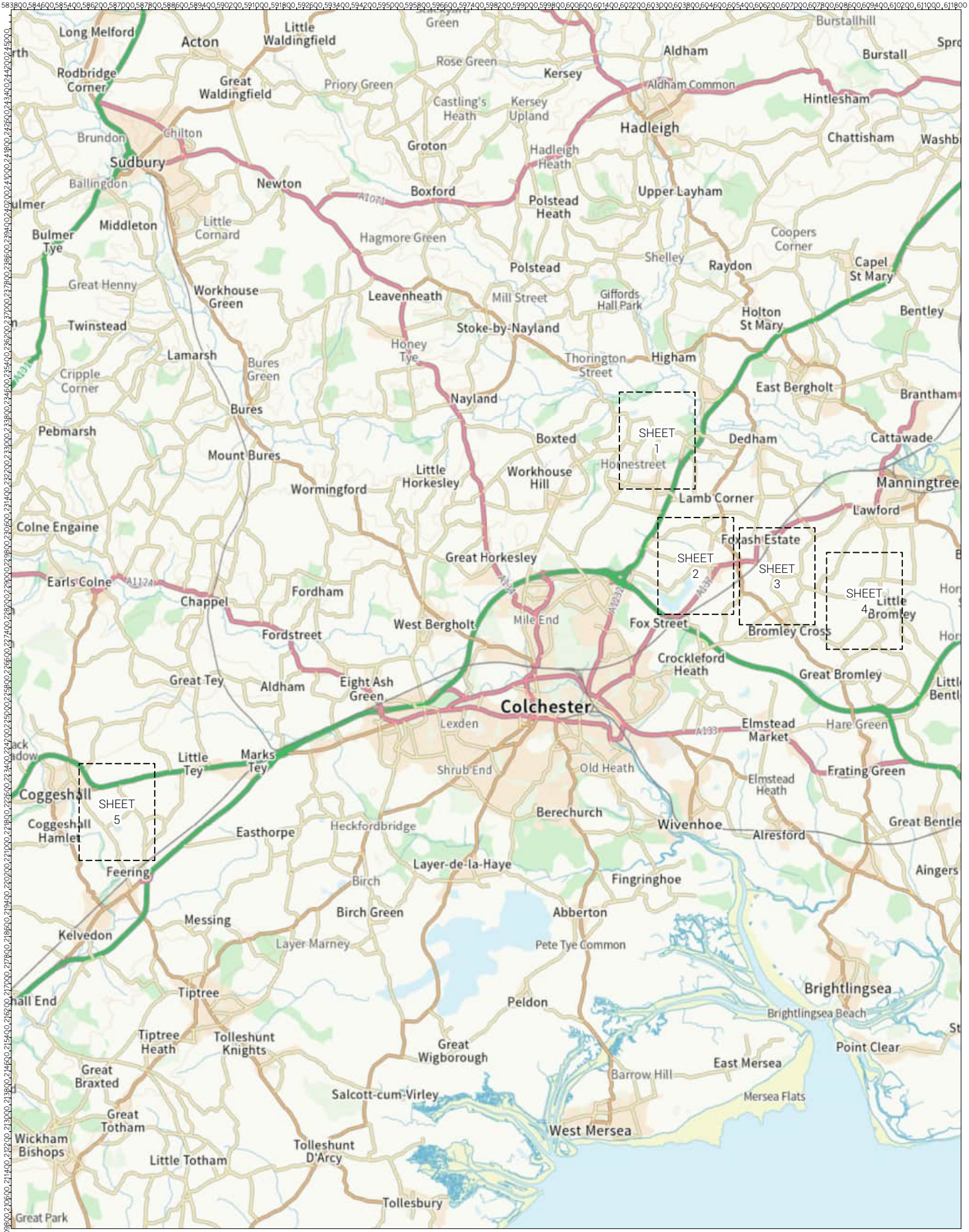
Kind Regards

Appendix K22

Locations of Section 42 notices on site

Appendix K22.1

Overview location maps



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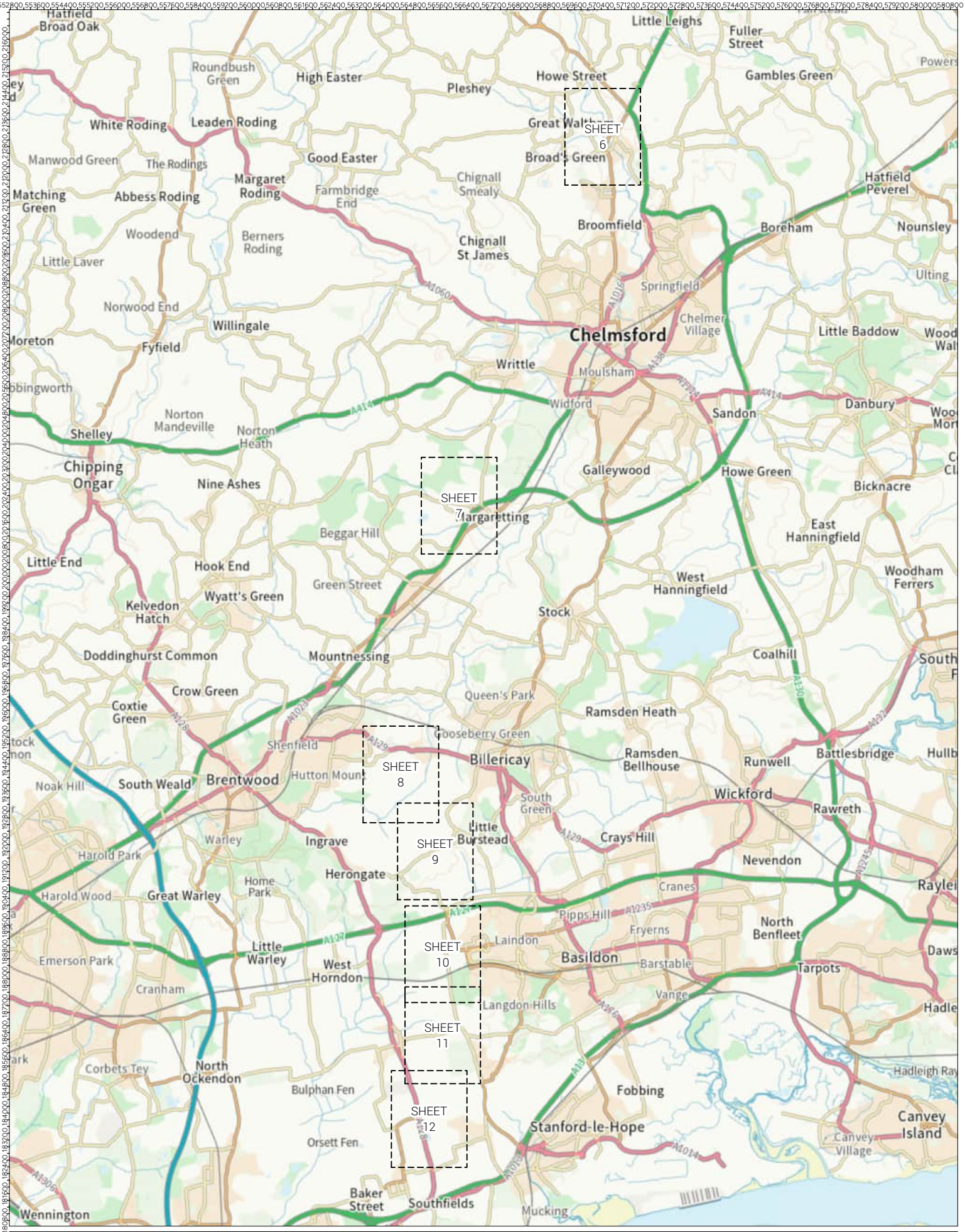

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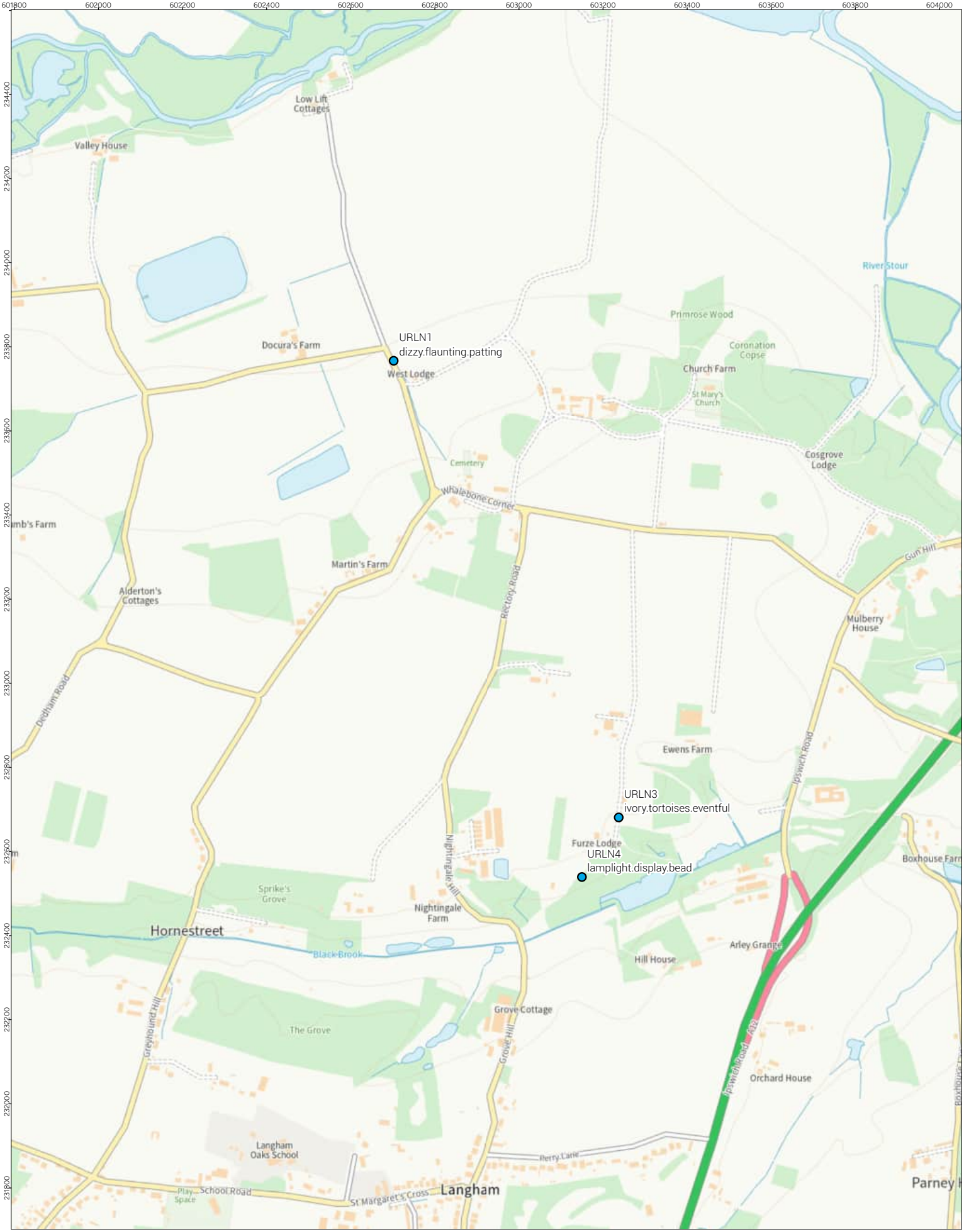
Appendix K22.2

Section 42 notices location maps sheets 1 to 12



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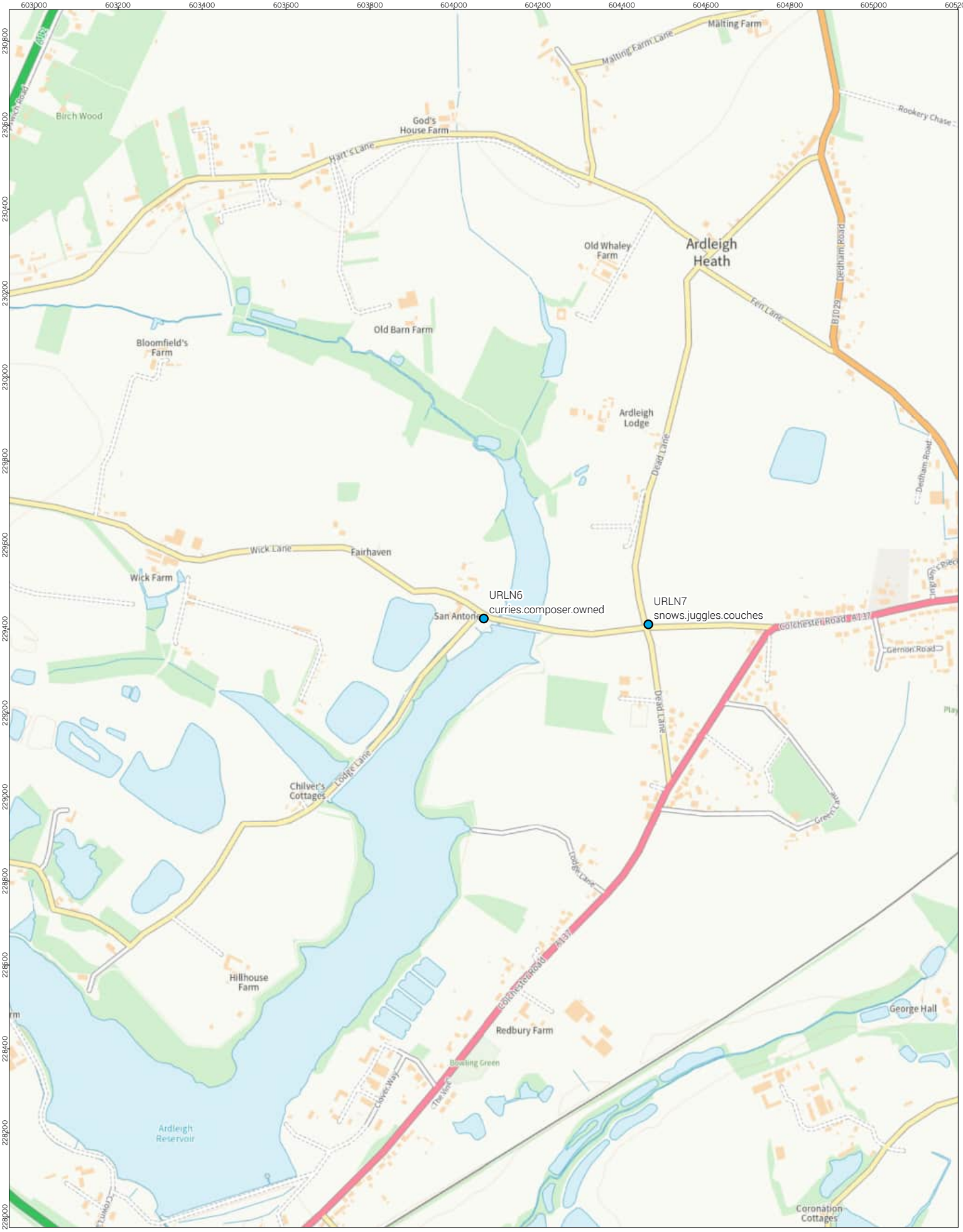

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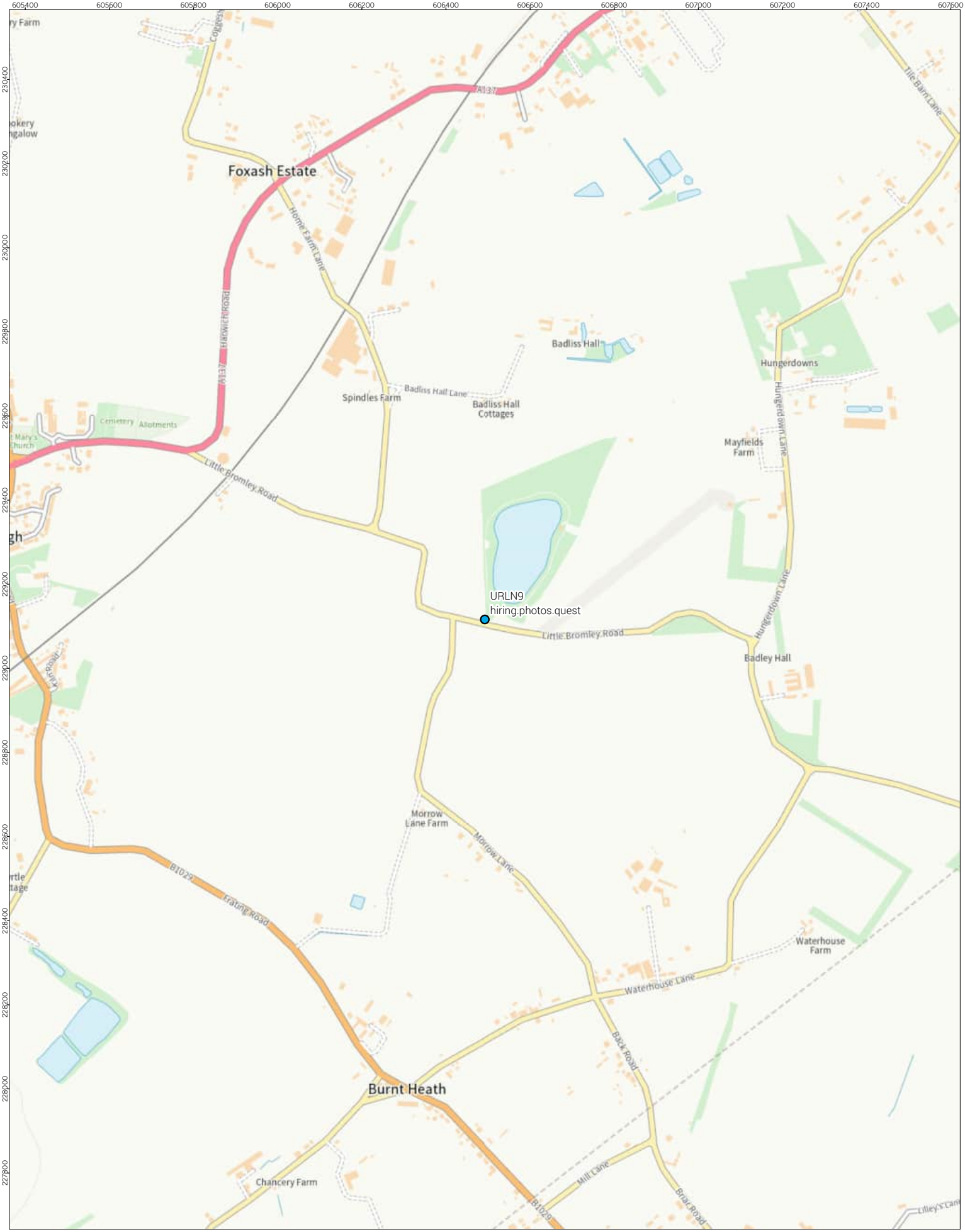

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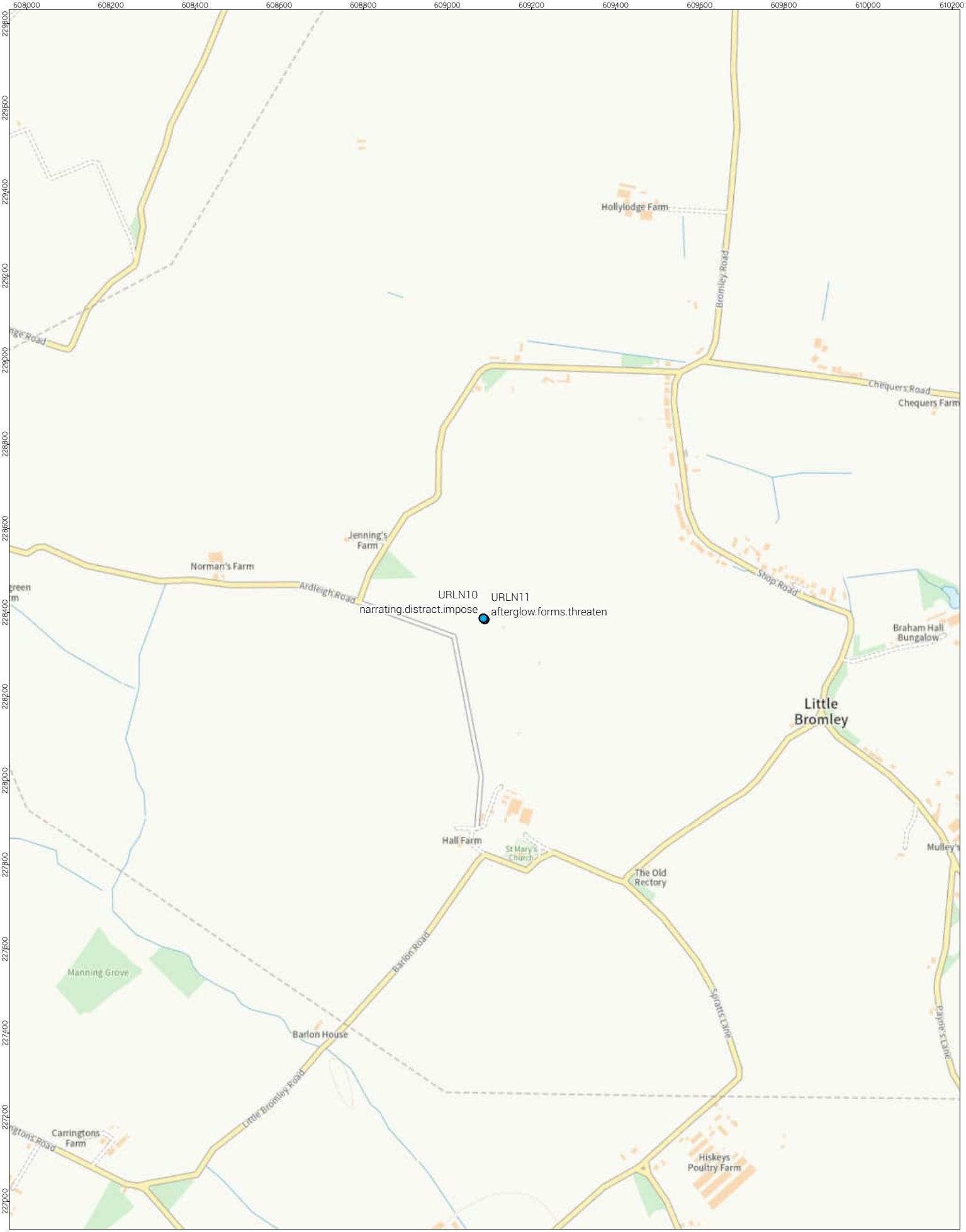

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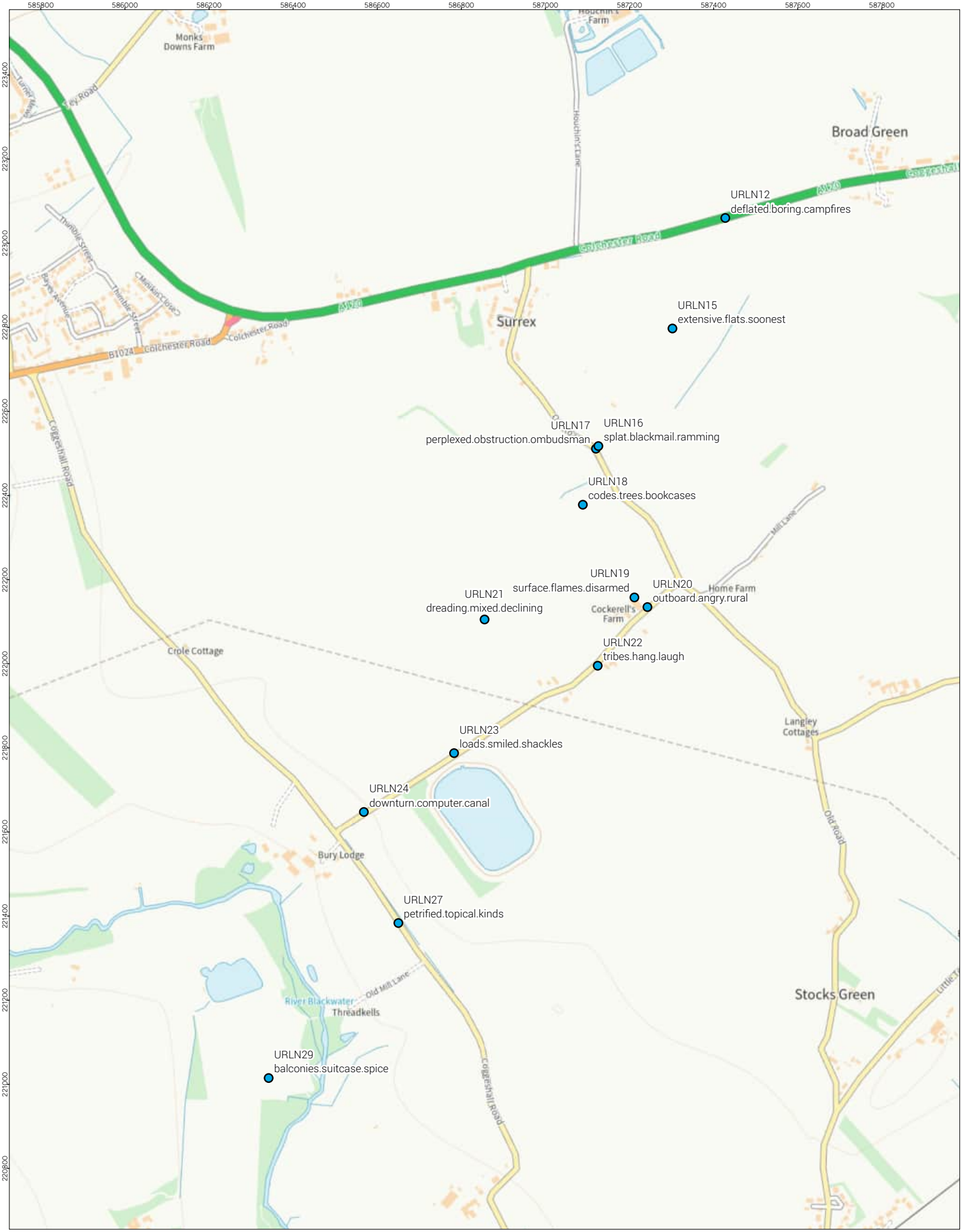

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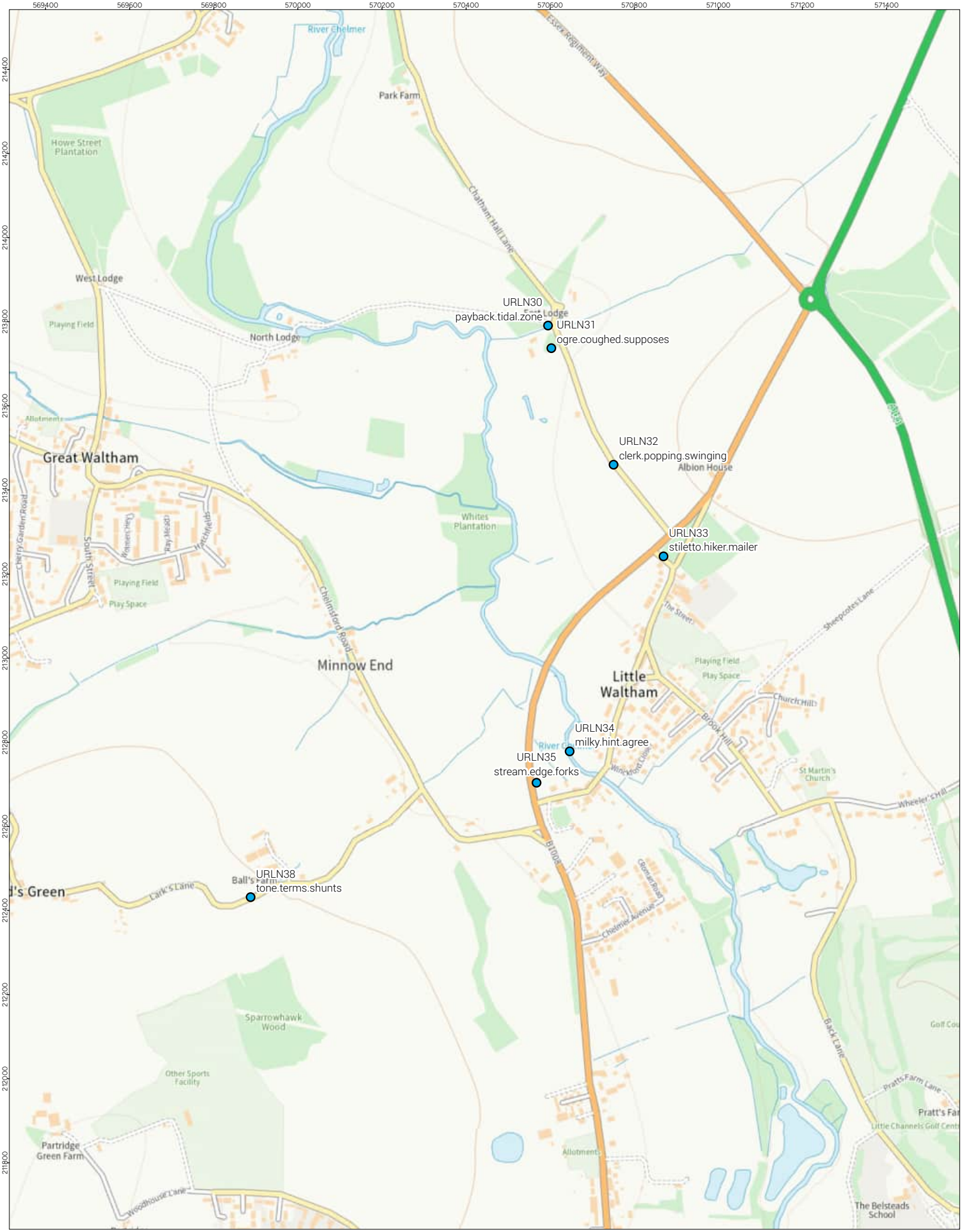

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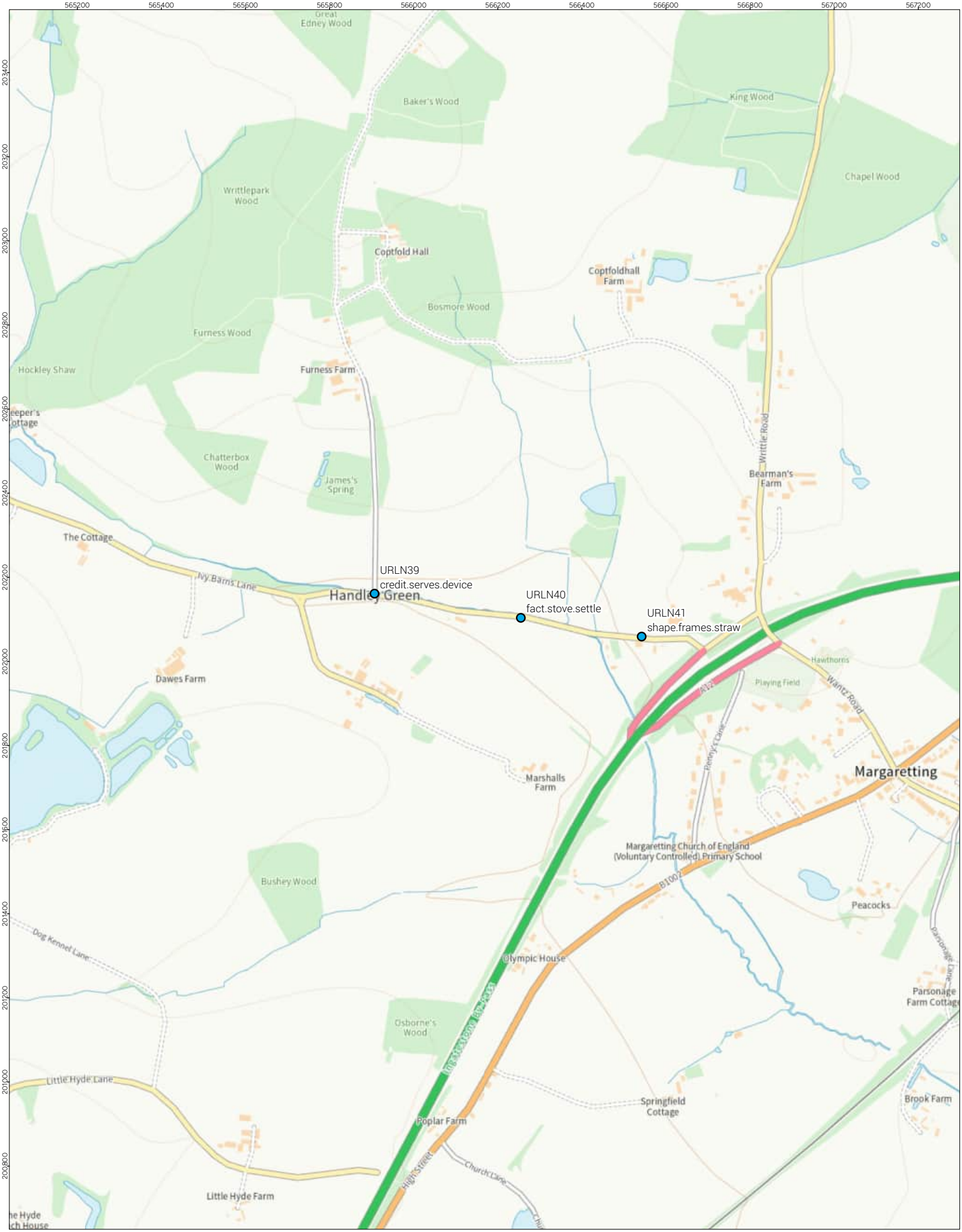

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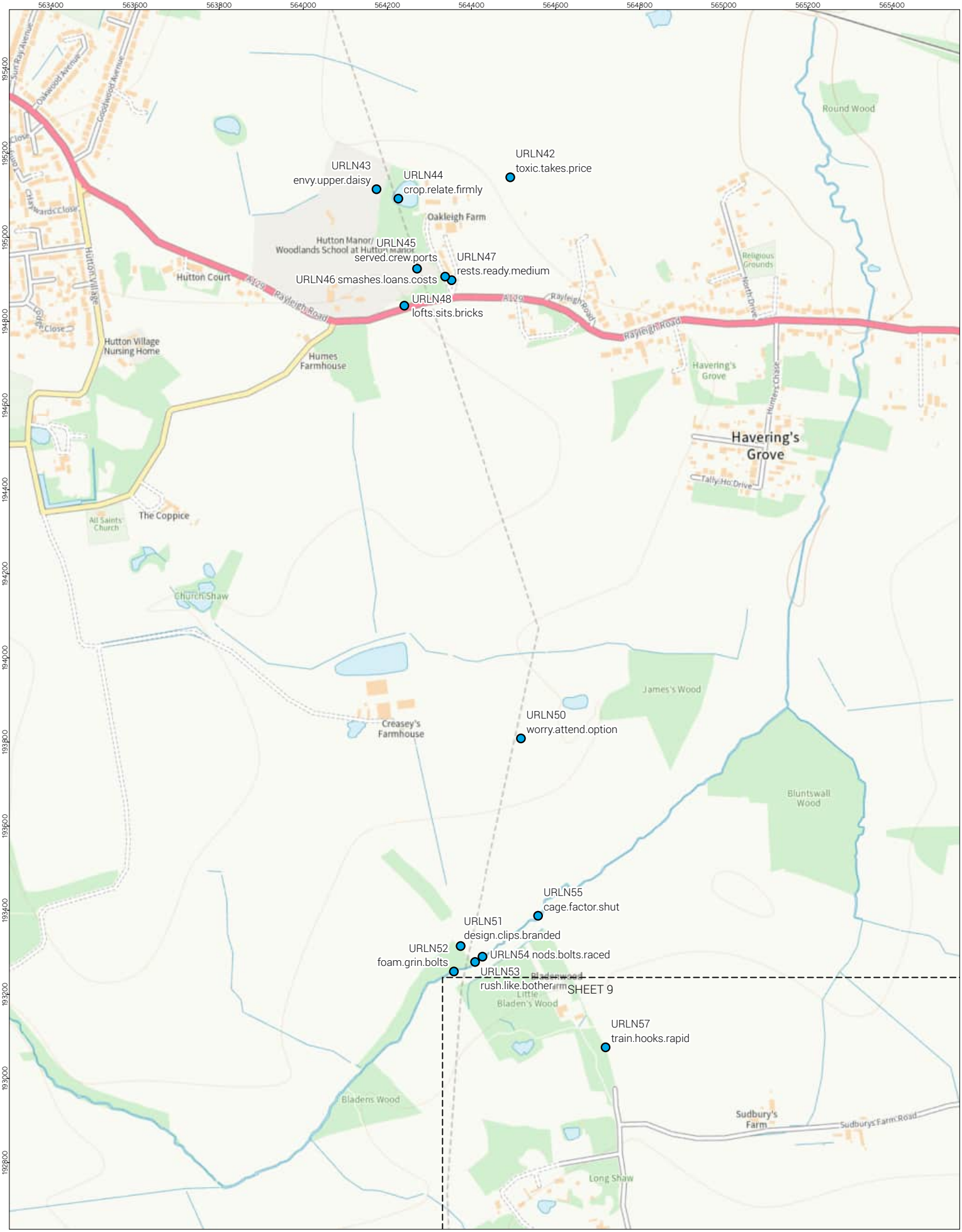

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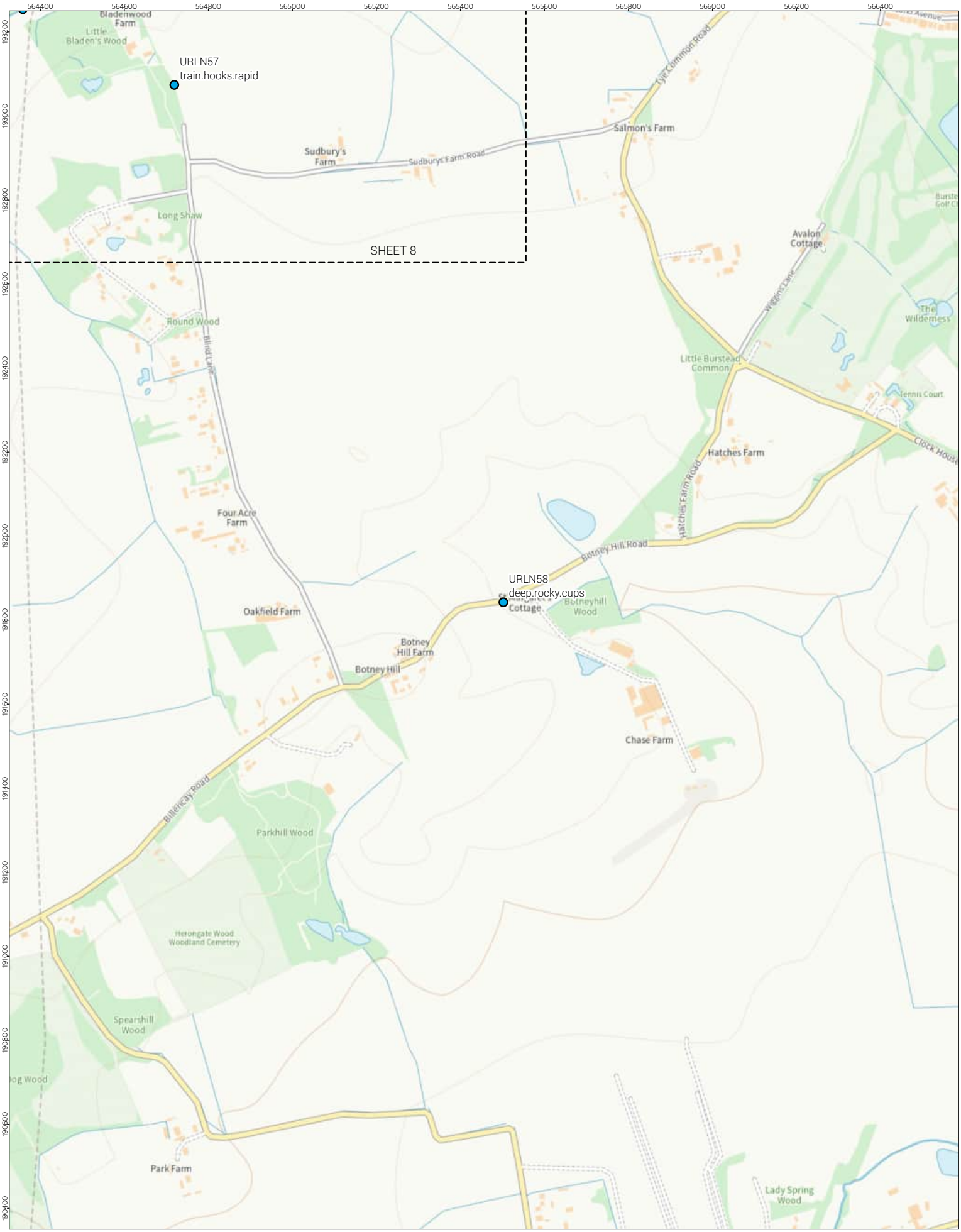

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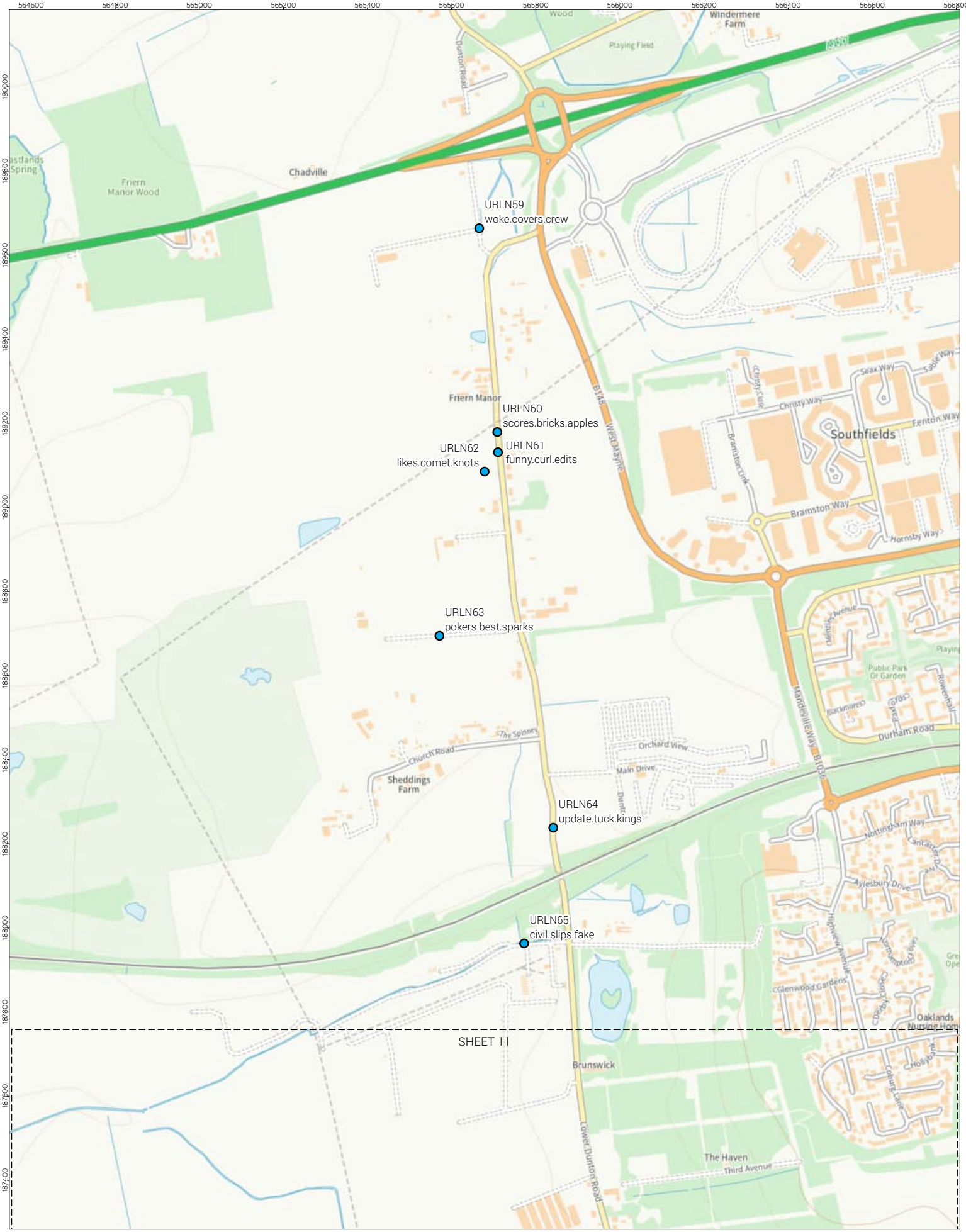

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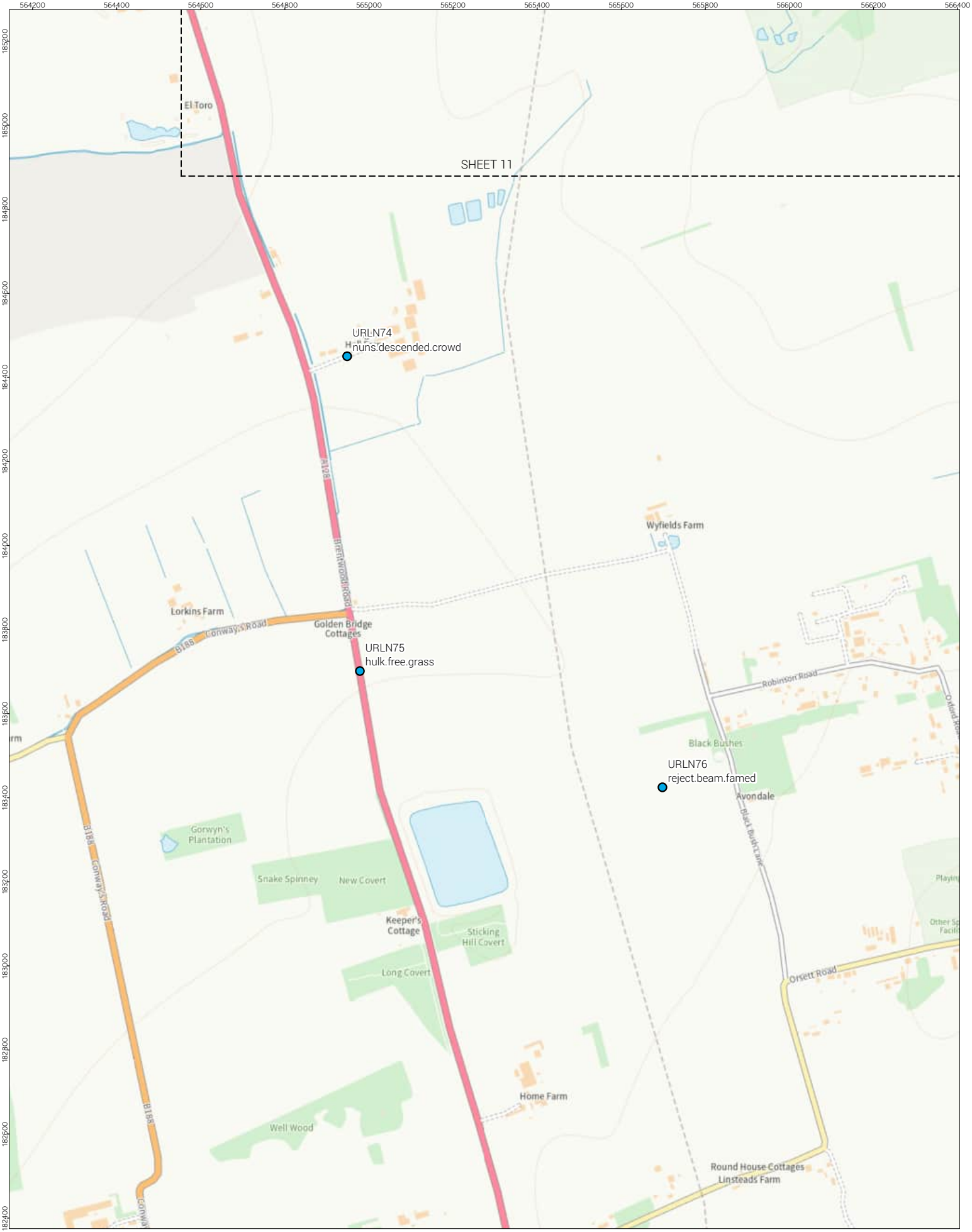

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Leaflets

Appendix K23.1

Leaflets - Essex 1

The Great Grid Upgrade

Norwich to Tilbury

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Targeted consultation

Location reference: Essex 1

12 noon 25 February 2025 to 11:59 pm 27 March 2025

Norwich to Tilbury is a proposal for a new electricity transmission connection. It will play an important part in connecting low carbon, more affordable electricity from where it is generated to where it is needed.

From 10 April to 26 July 2024, we held a statutory consultation, inviting local communities, land owners and stakeholders to share their views on our proposals.

Since then, we have been carefully reviewing all the feedback we received as well as considering the findings of ongoing assessment work.

This has identified some places where there is potential to make a change to the proposals we published at our statutory consultation. These potential changes do not materially change the effects or fundamentally change the project as a whole.

We intend to submit our application for development consent in summer 2025. Before we make any decisions, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes near to them.

We are consulting on the proposed changes described below and overleaf between 25 February and 27 March 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing to reposition the underground cable route near Langham to the west of the previous alignment proposed at statutory consultation in summer 2024. You can see both the alignment presented at our statutory consultation and our proposed changes on the maps overleaf.

We are proposing this change in response to consultation feedback which asked us to consider:

- reducing impact on areas of mature woodland and the associated protected species
- minimising impact on rural business activities
- avoiding the removal of trees along tree lined access roads where practicable.

The proposed alignment would divert west after crossing the River Stour, avoiding parts of the Langham Hall Estate, and continue southwest before turning southeast near Alderton's Cottages and rejoining the route presented at statutory consultation in summer 2024 to the north of Black Brook.

The proposed change would remove the need for one section of trenchless crossing near Langham Church, reduce disturbance to wildlife and mature woodland, and would reduce tree removal along a number of tree lined avenues.

To accommodate the change, we are also proposing to reposition the haul road and the bellmouths, where project traffic would cross public highways or enter the project site, from the locations presented at statutory consultation in summer 2024. The haul road would follow the new proposed alignment, with project traffic crossing the unnamed track northwest of Whalebone Corner. The haul road and bellmouths associated with the compound west of Ipswich Road would remain as presented previously.

We are also proposing other minor amendments to the order limits as well as repositioning the temporary construction compound and laydown area.

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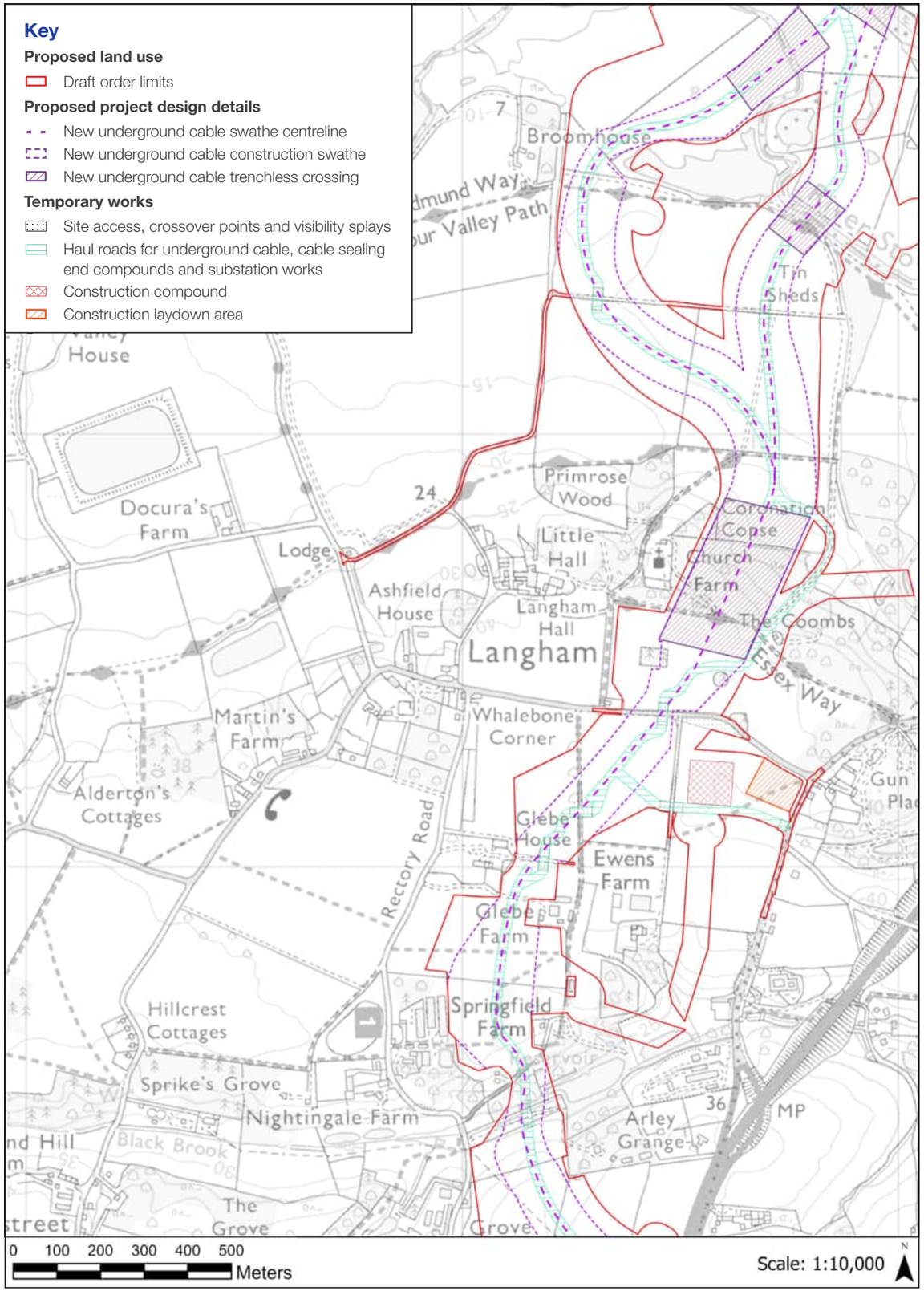

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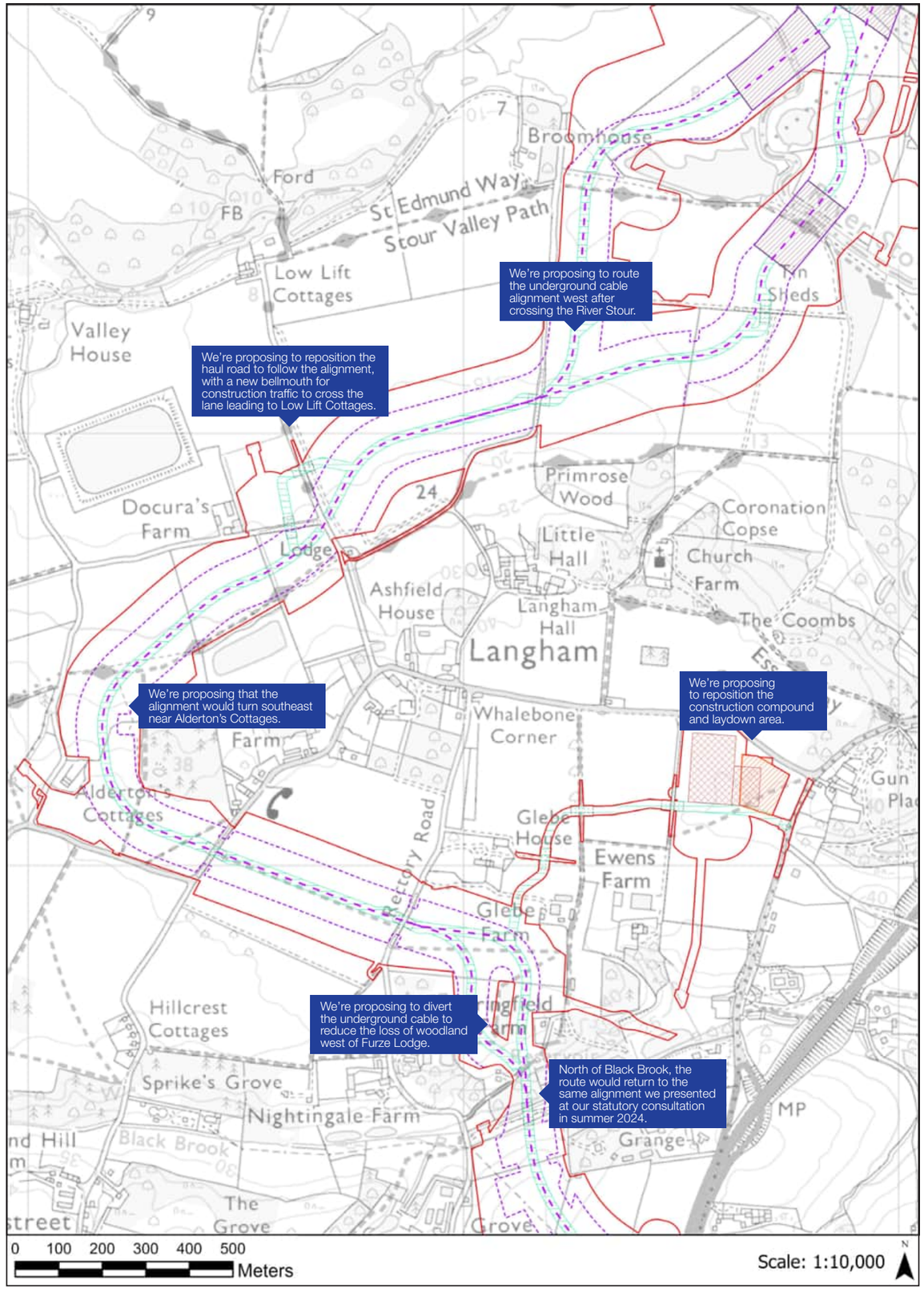

What are the environmental implications of the proposed changes?

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Have your say

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Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 1

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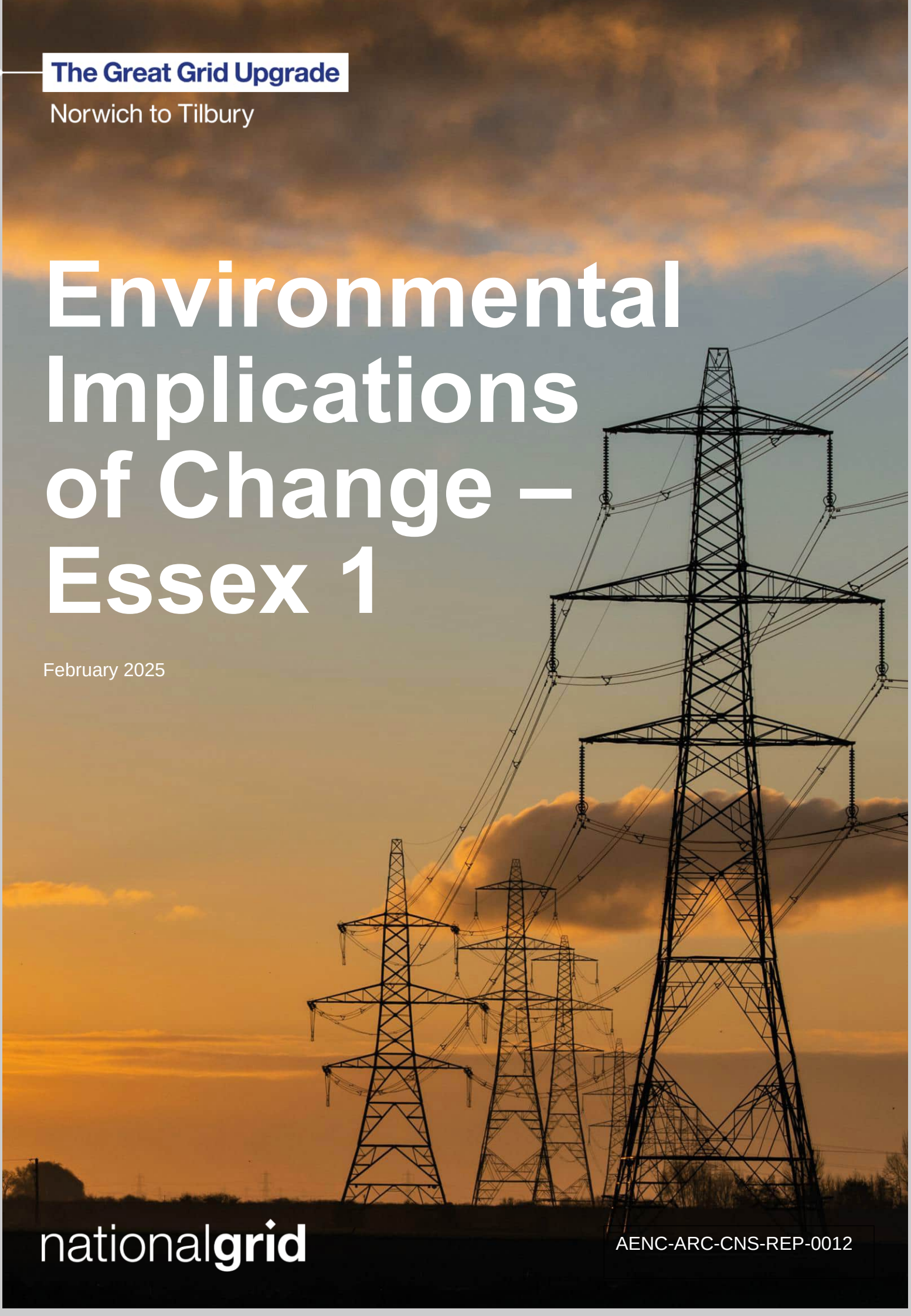

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1. Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 1

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 This Environmental Implications of Change document should be read alongside the associated Essex 1 targeted consultation leaflet.

1.1.2 Image 1 presents the Statutory Consultation design and the proposed change together with key environmental constraints using the key below.

Key

Proposed land use

- Draft order limits
- Statutory undertaker works

Proposed project design details

- New lattice pylon
- Gantry
- Full line tension gantry
- New overhead line
- Lower height pylons
- New underground cable swathe centreline
- New underground cable construction swathe
- Cable sealing end compound boundary
- Substation boundary
- New underground cable trenchless crossing
- Permanent access route including visibility splays (substations and cable sealing end compound)
- Existing DNO lattice pylon - to be dismantled
- Existing DNO lattice pylon - to be modified
- Existing DNO overhead line - to be dismantled
- Existing DNO overhead line - to be modified

Temporary works

- Site access, crossover points and visibility splays
- Haul roads
- Haul roads for underground cable, cable sealing end compounds and substation works
- Crossing protection work area
- Construction compound
- Construction laydown area

Environmental constraints

Listed Buildings

- Grade I
- Grade II
- Grade II*
- Local Nature Reserves
- Scheduled Monument
- Conservation Areas
- Special Areas of Conservation
- Sites of Special Scientific Interest
- County / Local Wildlife Sites
- Registered Parks and Gardens
- Countryside and Rights of Way Open Access Land
- National Landscape (an Area of Outstanding Natural beauty)
- Ancient Woodland
- Flood Zone 3

Image 1: Proposed Change

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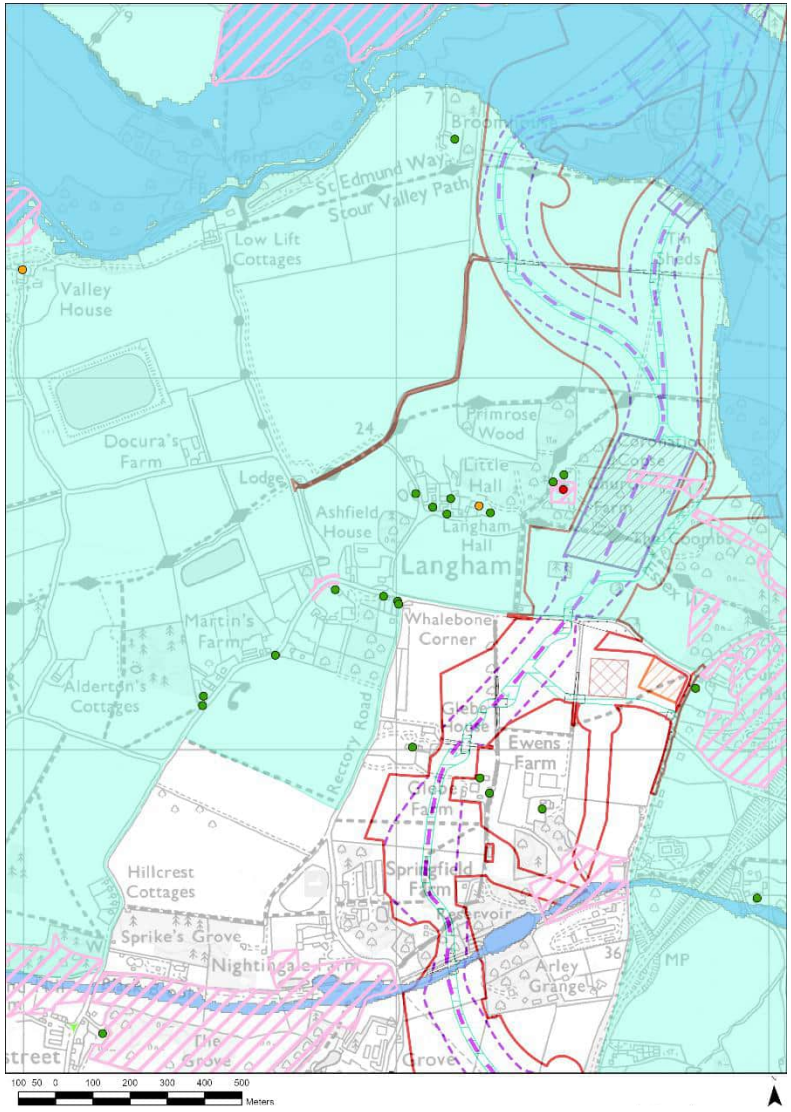	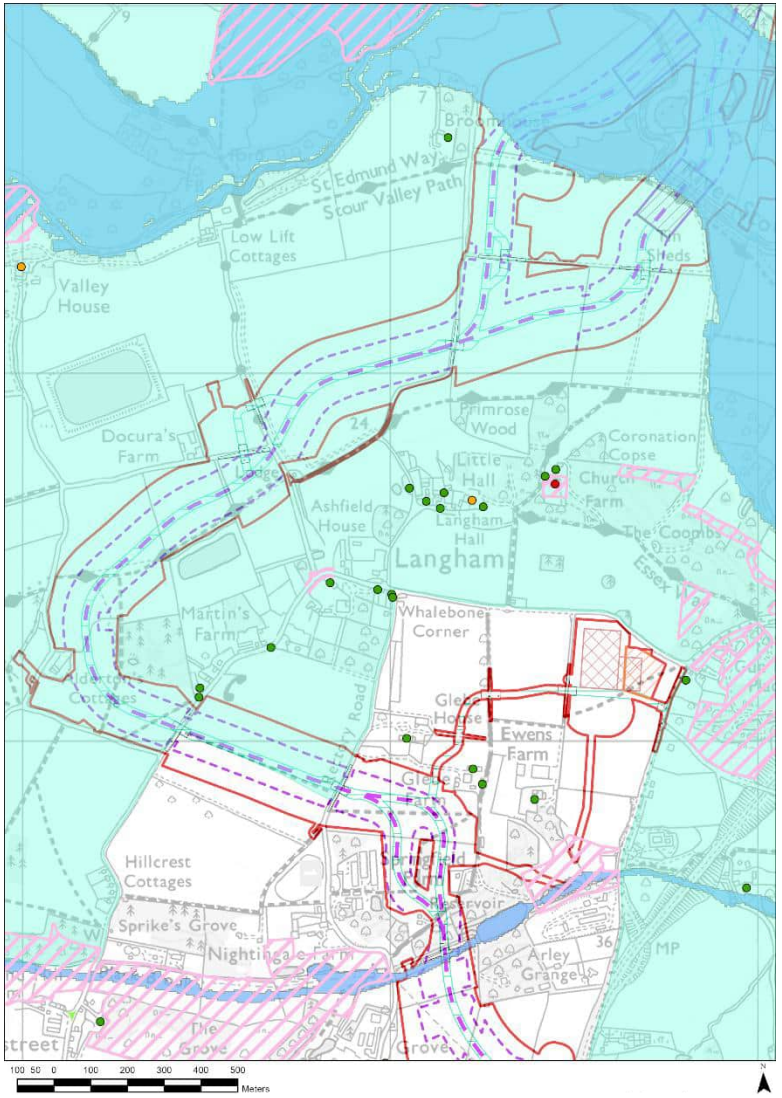

1.2 Environmental Implications of Change

1.2.1 We have reviewed the proposed change set out in the consultation information leaflet and its likely environmental implications against the preliminary assessment reported in the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 statutory consultation. We have undertaken this review against each of the technical topics covered by the PEIR, with respect to this location within the Project, including: agriculture and soils; air quality; ecology and biodiversity; contaminated land, geology and hydrogeology; health and wellbeing; historic environment; hydrology, land drainage and flood risk; landscape and visual; noise and vibration; socio-economics, recreation and tourism; and traffic and transport. We have applied the same methodologies and principles set out in the PEIR based on the information available and recognising that the Project is the subject of ongoing consultation and environmental surveys.

1.2.2 For information on the environmental implications of a change following our review, National Grid has produced an 'Environmental Implications of Change document' (EIC), like this one, with location reference to the specific area where the proposed change is located.

1.2.3 The table below outlines the environmental implications of a change which is proposed as a result of feedback received during statutory consultation in 2024. The information provided here is proportionate and appropriate information on the environmental implications when looked at both in local context and in the context of the project as a whole.

Environmental Topic	**Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR**
Agriculture and Soils	The proposed change would increase the length of underground cabling and therefore would increase the potential for soil damage through increased disturbance. Indicative mapping shows Grade 2 'Provisional Agricultural Land Classification' and soil types for the proposed change whereas the design presented at statutory consultation covered Grade 3 'Provisional Agricultural Land Classification'. However, there would be no change to the type or significance of agriculture and soil effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Air Quality	There would be no change to the type or significance of air quality effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Ecology and Biodiversity	The proposed change would avoid the potential effects on ecology features associated with St Mary's Wood. A barbastelle maternity bat roost has also been identified within the St Mary's wood, which would be affected through levels of construction disturbance under the design presented at statutory consultation. The proposed change would avoid effects on this Annex II bat species roost. Overall, although benefits to the proposed change, there would be no change to the type or significance of ecology and biodiversity effects as a

Environmental Topic	Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR
	result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Contaminated Land, Geology and Hydrogeology	The proposed change would locate underground cabling through a Source Protection Zone 2. This risk could likely be mitigated with appropriate Hydrogeological Risk Assessment as the aquifer is protected by a thickness of low permeability materials. The proposed route change is longer than the design presented at statutory consultation meaning there is an increased risk of a potential effect to groundwater. However, there would be no change to the type or significance of contaminated land, geology and hydrogeology effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Health and Wellbeing	There would be no change to the type or significance of health and wellbeing effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Historic Environment	The proposed change would reduce construction phase impacts through change to setting at the grade I listed Church of St Mary when compared to the design presented at statutory consultation. However, there would be no change to the type or significance of historic environment effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Hydrology, Land Drainage and Flood Risk	There would be no change to the type or significance of hydrology, land drainage and flood risk effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Landscape and Visual	The proposed change would alleviate the pinch point between Glebe Farm and Glebe House and would remove effects on vegetation along a driveway and within Langham Hall Estate. However, there would be no change to the type or significance of landscape and visual effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Noise and Vibration	There would be no change to the type or significance of noise and vibration effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Socio-economics, Recreation and Tourism	The proposed change would avoid parts of the Langham Hall Estate (recreation and tourism asset) which could avoid disruption during construction. However, there would be no change to the type or significance of socio-economics, recreation and tourism effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Traffic and Transport	There would be no change to the type or significance of traffic and transport effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

1.3 Conclusion

1.3.1 The proposed change would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the PEIR (National Grid, 2024) which was published for statutory consultation. The PEIR can be viewed here.

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Leaflets - Essex 2

The Great Grid Upgrade

Norwich to Tilbury

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Targeted consultation

Location reference: Essex 2

12 noon 25 February 2025 to 11:59 pm 27 March 2025

Norwich to Tilbury is a proposal for a new electricity transmission connection. It will play an important part in connecting low carbon, more affordable electricity from where it is generated to where it is needed.

From 10 April to 26 July 2024, we held a statutory consultation, inviting local communities, land owners and stakeholders to share their views on our proposals.

Since then, we have been carefully reviewing all the feedback we received as well as considering the findings of ongoing assessment work.

This has identified some places where there is potential to make a change to the proposals we published at our statutory consultation. These potential changes do not materially change the effects or fundamentally change the project as a whole.

We intend to submit our application for development consent in summer 2025. Before we make any decisions, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes near to them.

We are consulting on the proposed changes described below and overleaf between 25 February and 27 March 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing to reposition the underground cable and overhead line alignments before they enter the East Anglia Connection Node (EACN) substation east of Ardleigh. You can see both the alignment presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024 and our proposed change on the maps overleaf. The proposed change would not affect the location of the underground cable or the overhead line at the substation.

This change is being proposed in response to consultation feedback which asked us to consider:

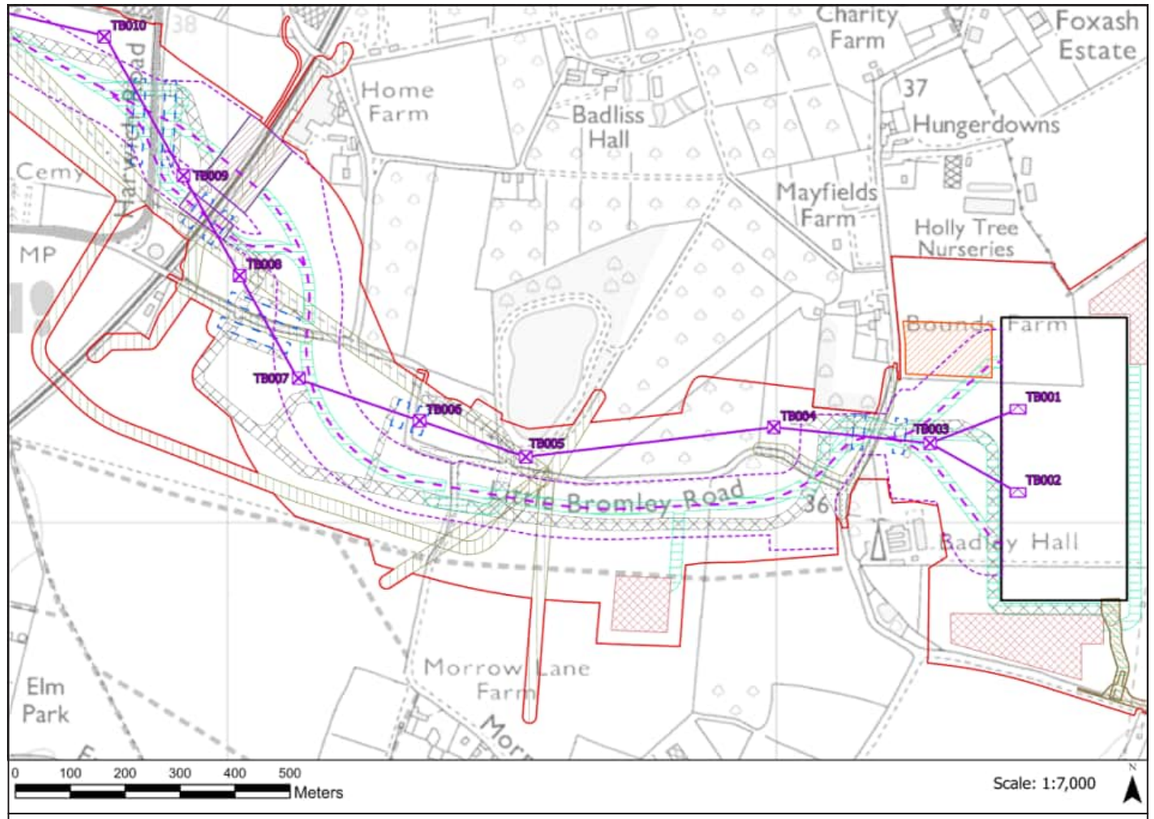
- the potential outcome of consultation on the Essex Mineral Plan which could see land to the south of Little Bromley Road allocated as a site for silica sand extraction
- potential effects on fishing and horticulture to the north of Little Bromley Road.

The proposed change would locate the underground cables predominantly to the north of Little Bromley Road and passing to the south of the lake at Home Farm, with the overhead line to the south of the road. Use of the lake and its immediate surroundings (beyond the construction area) would not be restricted, though the proposed repositioning of the cable would increase the impact on horticultural land during the construction stage, as a wider swathe of land would need to be cleared. However, once site restoration is complete, horticultural uses could be reestablished.

The proposed change in alignment, compared to the design presented at statutory consultation, would introduce an additional angle pylon and pass closer to properties along Morrow Lane. Vegetation loss and effects on recreation at the lake would be reduced.

To accommodate the proposed change in alignment, we are also proposing to move the associated haul road and bellmouth - where construction traffic would cross public highways or enter the project site - from its location as presented at statutory consultation in summer 2024. We are proposing an additional bellmouth on Home Farm Lane, and the bellmouth on Morrow Lane would be moved 20 m further south of the location previously proposed at statutory consultation in summer 2024 to facilitate construction access to the site.

Alignment presented at the 2024 statutory consultation



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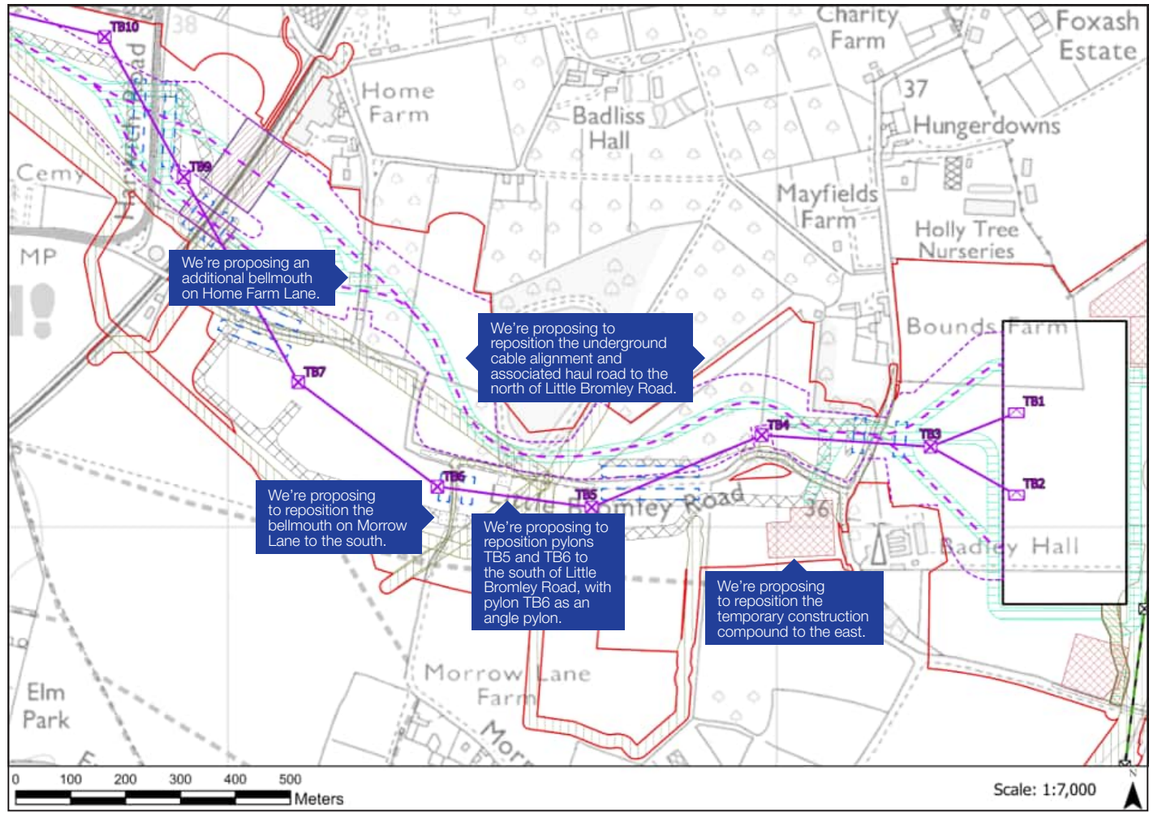

We are also proposing other minor amendments to the order limits, including repositioning the temporary construction compound to the east.

What are the environmental implications of the proposed changes?

The proposed changes would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 consultation.

For more information on environmental implications, please see the Environmental Implications of Change document (EIC) with location reference **Essex 2**, where information on the environmental implications of the proposed change is provided and can be read alongside the information contained here.

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Have your say

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Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 2

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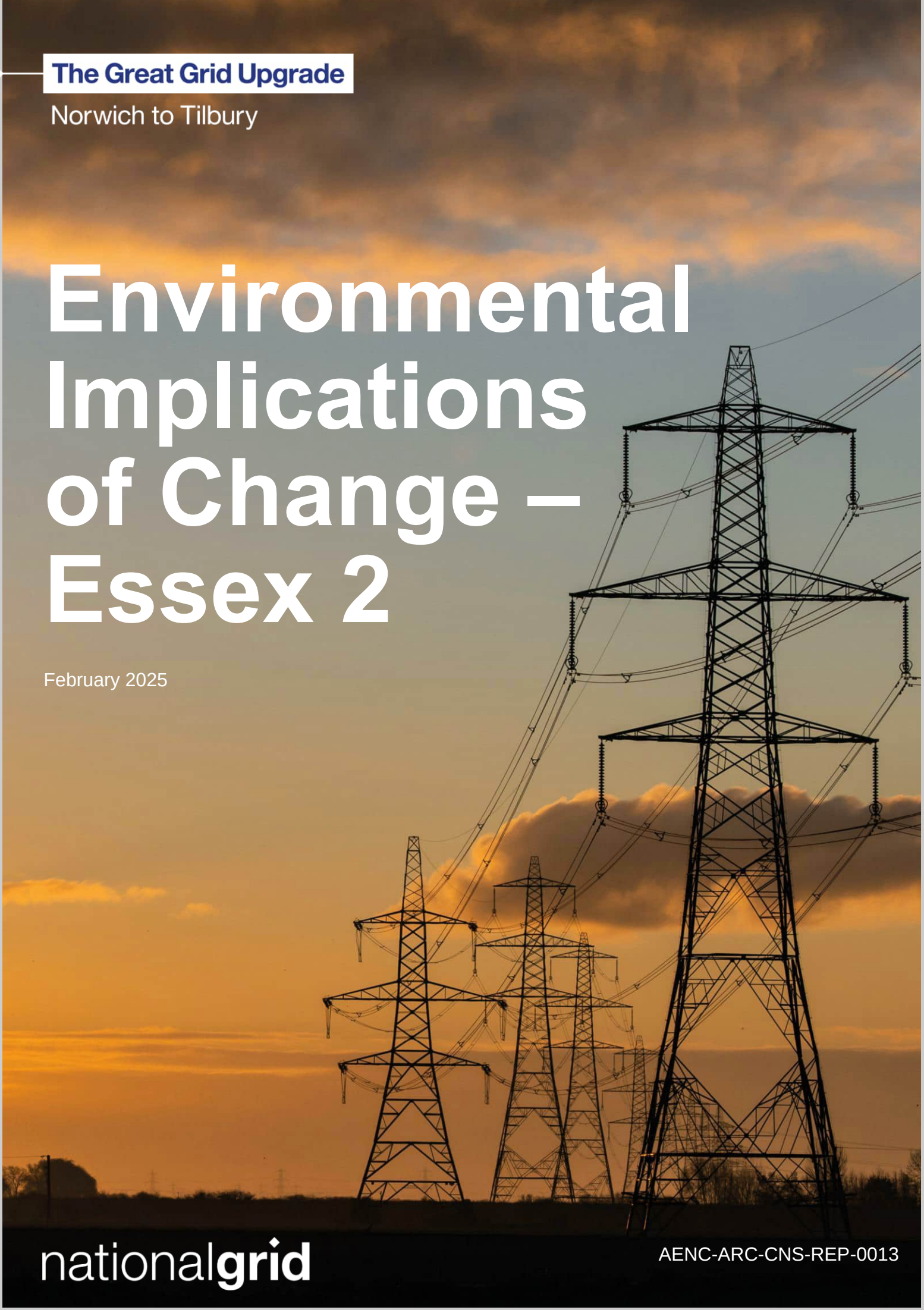

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1. Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 2

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 This Environmental Implications of Change document should be read alongside the associated Essex 2 targeted consultation leaflet.

1.1.2 Image 1 presents the Statutory Consultation design and the proposed change together with key environmental constraints using the key below.

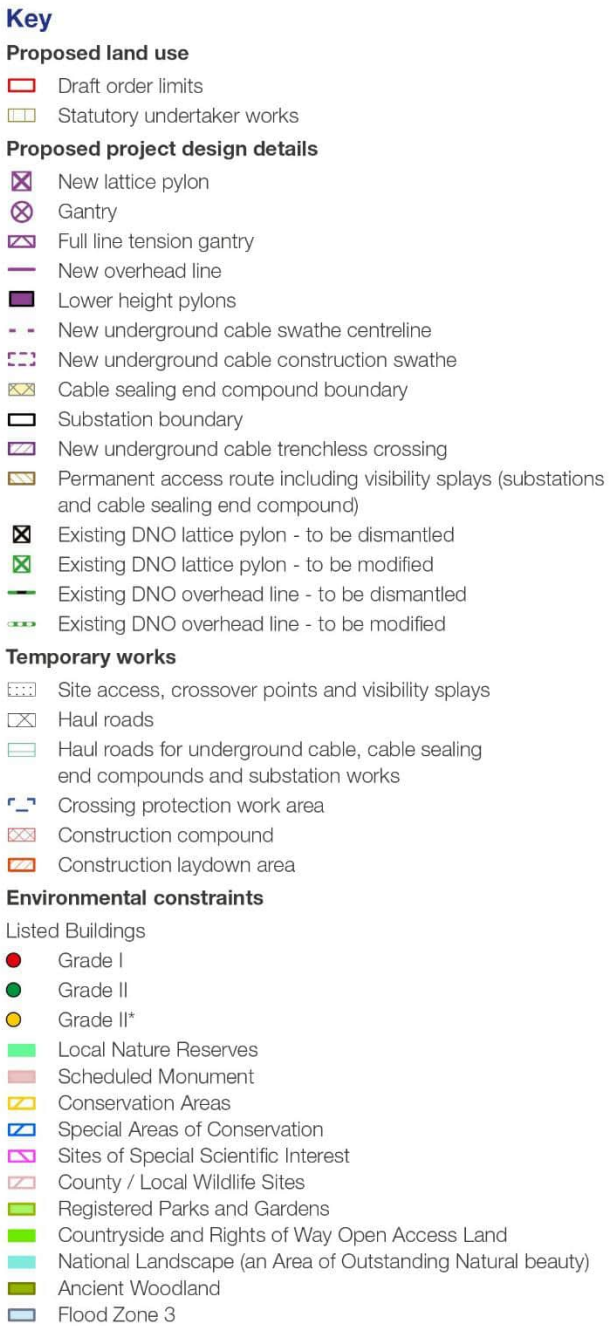

Image 1: Proposed Change

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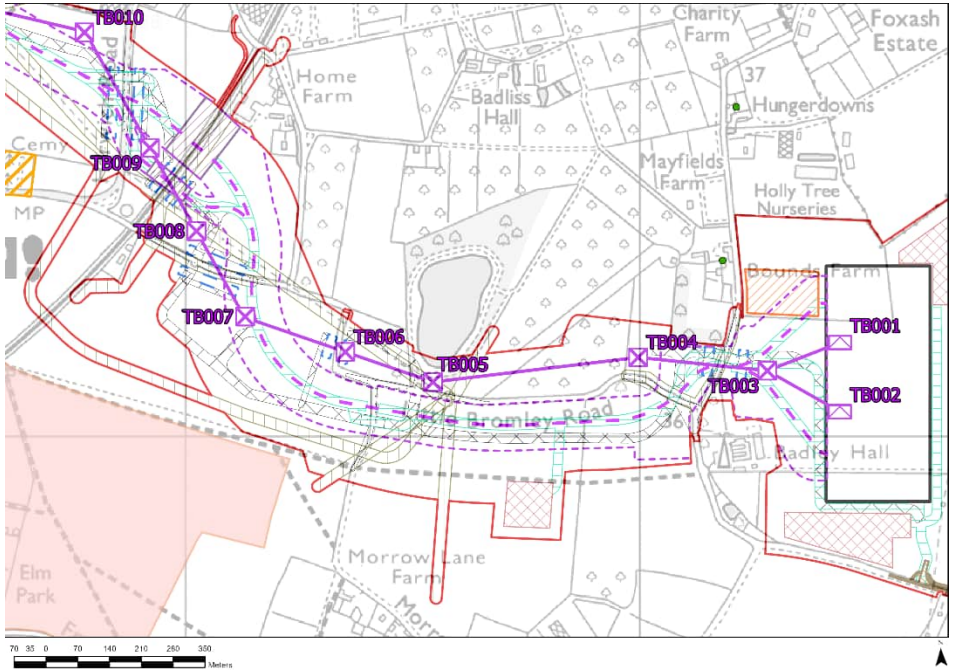

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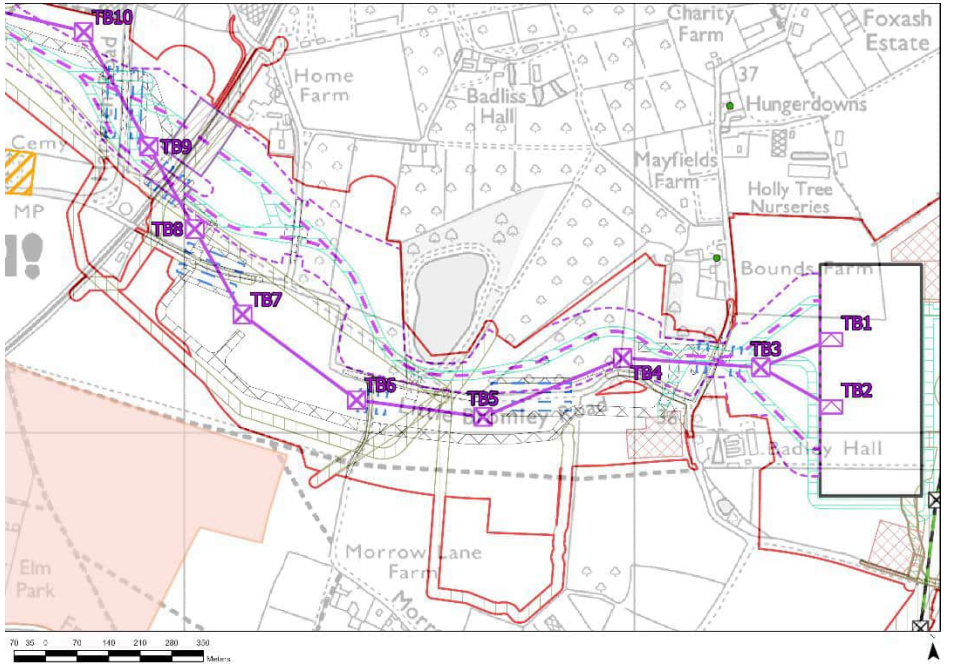

1.2 Environmental Implications of Change

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1.2.3 The table below outlines the environmental implications of a change which is proposed as a result of feedback received during statutory consultation in 2024. The information provided here is proportionate and appropriate information on the environmental implications when looked at both in local context and in the context of the project as a whole.

Environmental Topic	**Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR**
Agriculture and Soils	There would be no change to the type or significance of agriculture and soil effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Air Quality	There would be no change to the type or significance of air quality effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Ecology and Biodiversity	The proposed change moves the majority of the overhead line alignment into the underground cable swathe corridor and therefore effects on habitats would already be accounted for. A larger section of a small woodland block would be affected by the proposed change to the underground cable, when compared to the design presented at statutory consultation. However, there would be no change to the type or significance of ecology and biodiversity effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Contaminated Land, Geology and Hydrogeology	There would be no change to the type or significance of contaminated land, geology and hydrogeology effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

Environmental Topic	Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR
Health and Wellbeing	There would be no change to the type or significance of health and wellbeing effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Historic Environment	The proposed change would move the overhead line alignment closer to the scheduled monument 'crop mark site S of Ardleigh' and the underground cable alignment further to the north away from the scheduled monument. Geophysical survey undertaken in this area has not indicated any significant archaeology within the proposed Order Limits. Therefore, there would be no change to the type or significance of historic environment effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Hydrology, Land Drainage and Flood Risk	The proposed change moves construction works for the overhead line further away from a lake. However, there would be no change to the type or significance of hydrology, land drainage and flood risk effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Landscape and Visual	The proposed change would introduce an additional angle tower compared to the design presented at statutory consultation. There would be an additional crossing of the minor road network and the overhead line alignment would be closer to properties to the south along Morrow Lane. Vegetation loss and effects on recreational receptors at the lake would be reduced slightly compared to the design presented at statutory consultation. In terms of landscape, effects on landscape character are likely to be similar. This is because the design presented at statutory consultation and the proposed change would both introduce pylons into the Bromley Heaths landscape character area. There would be no change to the type or significance of landscape and visual effects as a result of the proposed change to the overhead line and underground cable alignment, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation
Noise and Vibration	There would be no change to the type or significance of noise and vibration effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Socio-economics, Recreation and Tourism	The proposed change moves the overhead line alignment further away from Paxman's Angling Club and likely to have a lower magnitude of adverse impact on the receptor but there would be no change to the type or significance of socio-economic, recreation and tourism effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

Environmental Topic	Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR
Traffic and Transport	There would be no change to the type or significance of traffic and transport effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

1.3 Conclusion

1.3.1 The proposed change would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the PEIR (National Grid, 2024) which was published for statutory consultation. The PEIR can be viewed here.

1.3.2 If the proposed change is taken forwards, the baseline information (and environmental surveys) and assessment associated with this change would be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES).

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Leaflets - Essex 3

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Norwich to Tilbury

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Targeted consultation

Location reference: Essex 3

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Norwich to Tilbury is a proposal for a new electricity transmission connection. It will play an important part in connecting low carbon, more affordable electricity from where it is generated to where it is needed.

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Since then, we have been carefully reviewing all the feedback we received as well as considering the findings of ongoing assessment work.

This has identified some places where there is potential to make a change to the proposals we published at our statutory consultation. These potential changes do not materially change the effects or fundamentally change the project as a whole.

We intend to submit our application for development consent in summer 2025. Before we make any decisions, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes near to them.

We are consulting on the proposed changes described below and overleaf between 25 February and 27 March 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing to reposition a section of permanent private access near Little Bromley, to the south of the location proposed at our statutory consultation in summer 2024. This access is the proposed permanent access to the East Anglia Connection Node (EACN) substation near Ardleigh. Traffic would continue to join Bentley Road and Ardleigh Road in the previously proposed locations. You can see the access presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024 and our proposed changes on the maps overleaf.

This change is being proposed in response to landowner feedback asking us to consider moving the track to follow the edge of a landholding. The proposed plans move the section of permanent private access closer to this boundary and avoids crossing a larger field.

What are the environmental implications of the proposed changes?

The proposed changes would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 consultation.

For more information on environmental implications, please see the Environmental Implications of Change document (EIC) with location reference **Essex 3**, where information on the environmental implications of the proposed change is provided and can be read alongside the information contained here.

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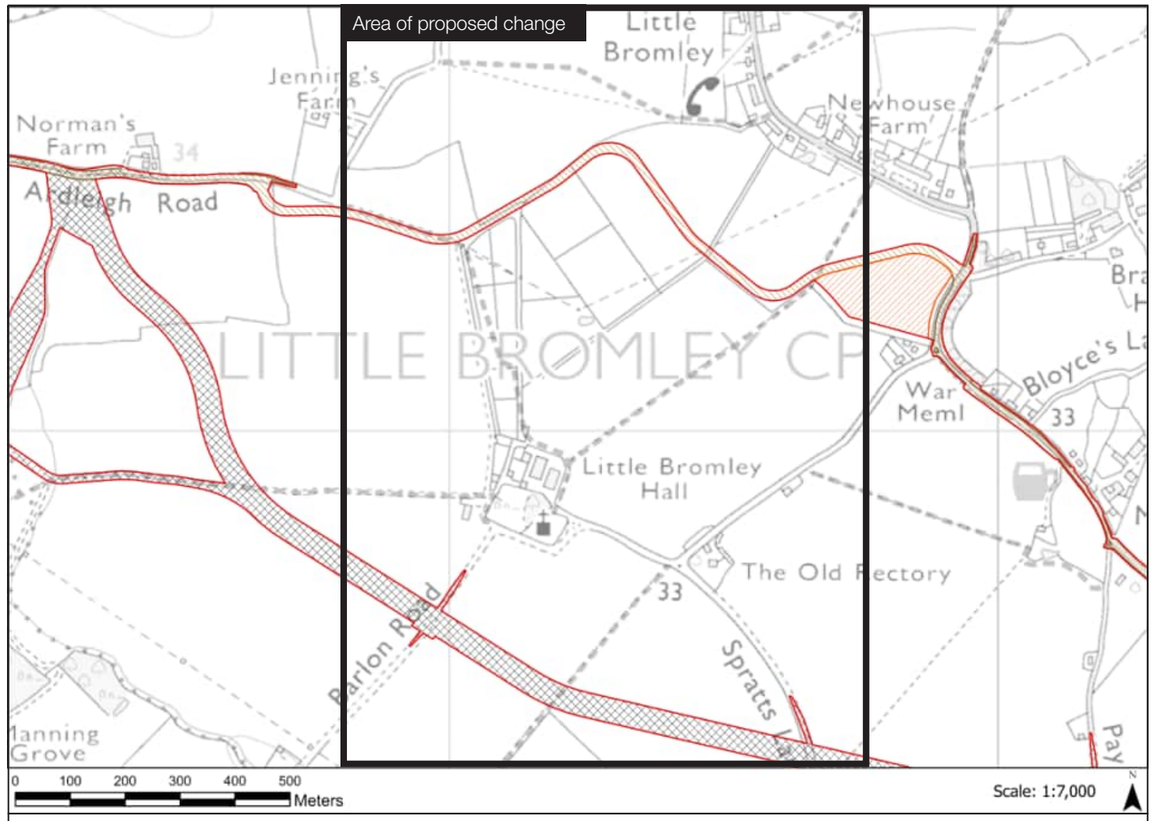
If, following careful consideration of any feedback we receive, we decide to make this change, baseline information, environmental surveys and assessments associated with this change will be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES) that will form part of our application for a Development Consent Order (DCO).

Alignment presented at the 2024 statutory consultation



Key

Proposed land use

- Draft order limits

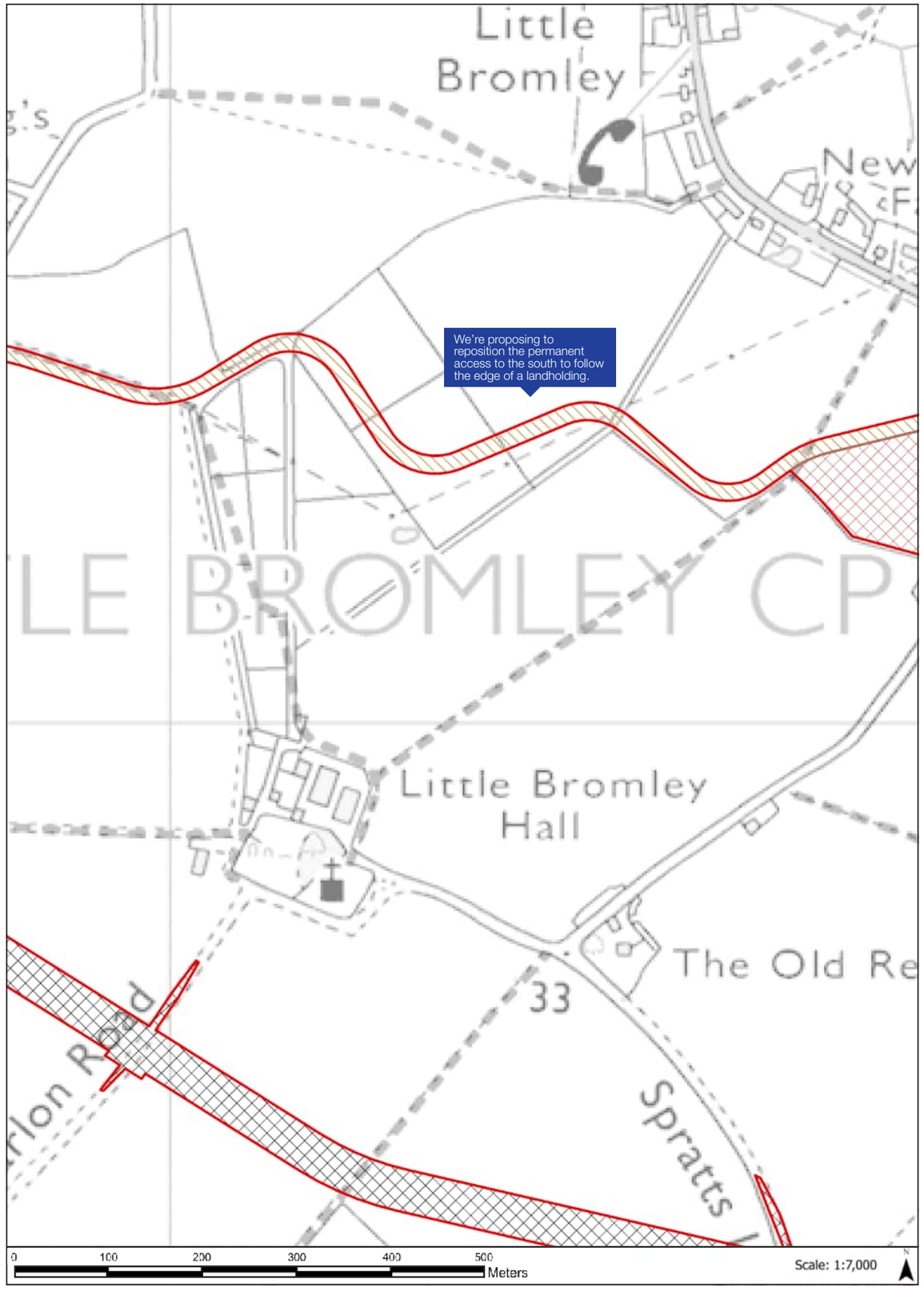
Proposed project design details

- Permanent access route including visibility splays (substations and cable sealing end compound)

Temporary works

- Haul roads
- Construction compound

Area of proposed change February 2025



Have your say

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Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 3

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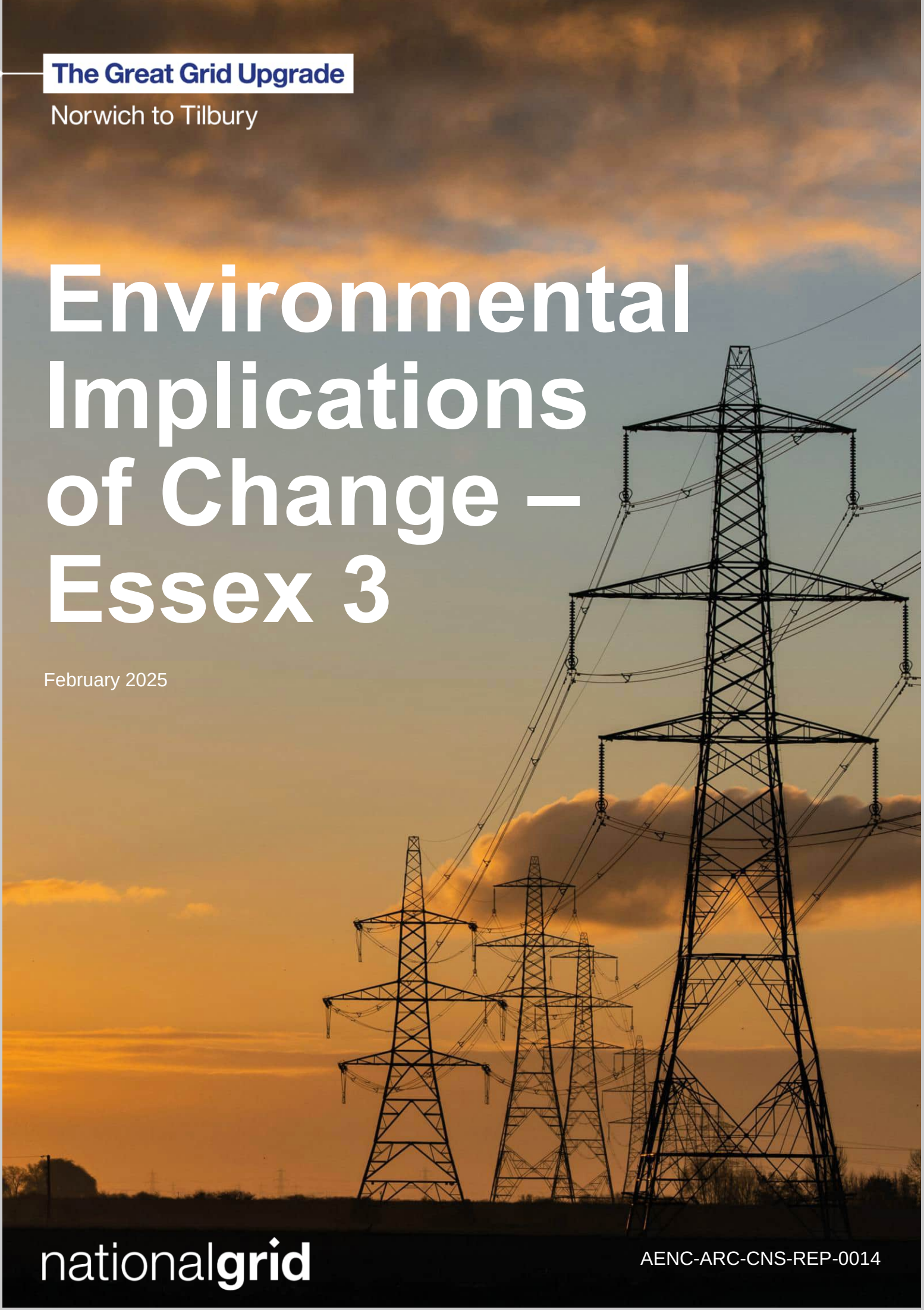

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1. Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 3

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 This Environmental Implications of Change document should be read alongside the associated Essex 3 targeted consultation leaflet.

1.1.2 Image 1 presents the Statutory Consultation design and the proposed change together with key environmental constraints using the key below.

Key

Proposed land use

- Draft order limits
- Statutory undertaker works

Proposed project design details

- New lattice pylon
- Gantry
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- New overhead line
- Lower height pylons
- New underground cable swathe centreline
- New underground cable construction swathe
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Temporary works

- Site access, crossover points and visibility splays
- Haul roads
- Haul roads for underground cable, cable sealing end compounds and substation works
- Crossing protection work area
- Construction compound
- Construction laydown area

Environmental constraints

Listed Buildings

- Grade I
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Image 1: Proposed Change

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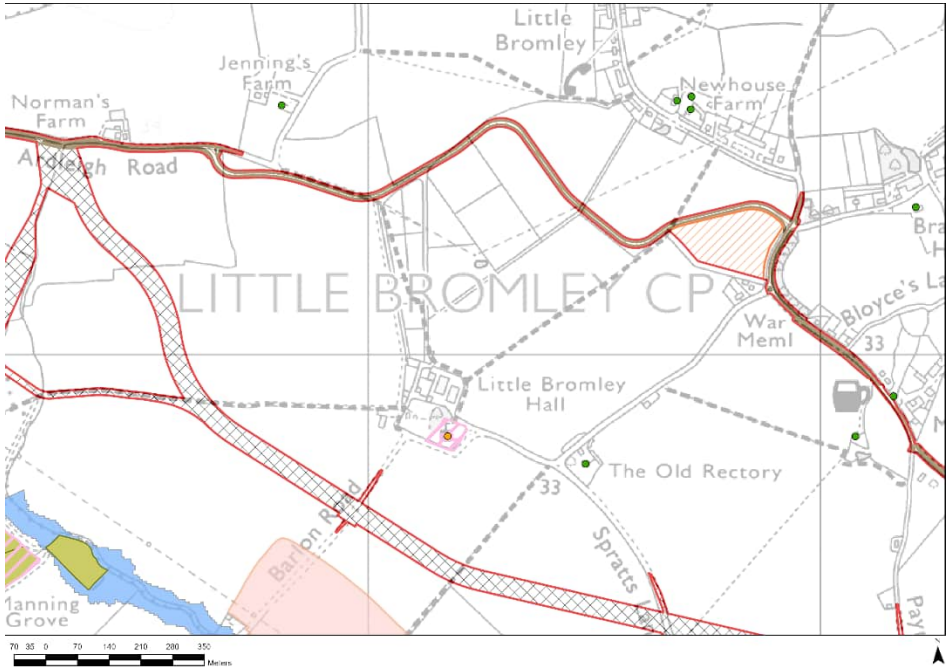

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1.2.4 If, following this latest round of further targeted consultation, the proposed change is taken forward, baseline information (and environmental surveys) and assessment associated with this change in the context of the proposed development as a whole will be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES) that will form part of our application for a Development Consent Order (DCO).

1.3 Conclusion

1.3.1 The proposed change would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the PEIR (National Grid, 2024) which was published for statutory consultation. The PEIR can be viewed here.

1.3.2 If the proposed change is taken forwards, the baseline information (and environmental surveys) and assessment associated with this change would be provided in the ES.

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Leaflets - Essex 4

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Norwich to Tilbury

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Targeted consultation

Location reference: Essex 4

12 noon 25 February 2025 to 11:59 pm 27 March 2025

Norwich to Tilbury is a proposal for a new electricity transmission connection. It will play an important part in connecting low carbon, more affordable electricity from where it is generated to where it is needed.

From 10 April to 26 July 2024, we held a statutory consultation, inviting local communities, land owners and stakeholders to share their views on our proposals.

Since then, we have been carefully reviewing all the feedback we received as well as considering the findings of ongoing assessment work.

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We intend to submit our application for development consent in summer 2025. Before we make any decisions, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes near to them.

We are consulting on the proposed changes described below and overleaf between 25 February and 27 March 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing to reposition the temporary construction access on Wick Lane near Ardleigh, to the west of the location proposed at our statutory consultation in summer 2024. You can see the route presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024 and our proposed changes on the maps overleaf.

This change is being proposed in response to consultation feedback which asked us to consider repositioning the access in order to reduce its impact on a property.

The proposed location would continue to meet highway safety standards and ensure construction traffic could safely leave and access the proposed haul road. We are also proposing to reposition the haul road to use this relocated temporary construction access, as well as other minor amendments to the order limits.

What are the environmental implications of the proposed changes?

The proposed changes would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 consultation.

For more information on environmental implications, please see the Environmental Implications of Change document (EIC) with location reference **Essex 4**, where information on the environmental implications of the proposed change is provided and can be read alongside the information contained here.

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If, following careful consideration of any feedback we receive, we decide to make this change, baseline information, environmental surveys and assessments associated with this change will be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES) that will form part of our application for a Development Consent Order (DCO).

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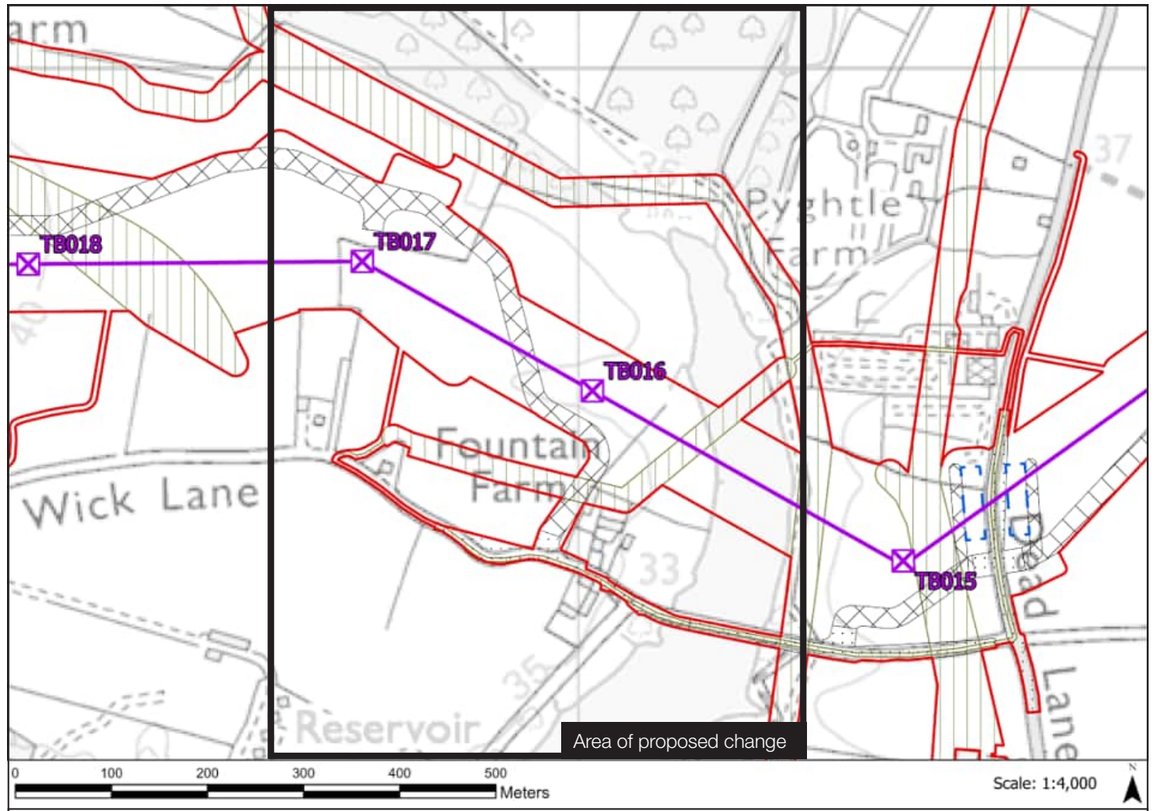

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Proposed project design details

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Temporary works

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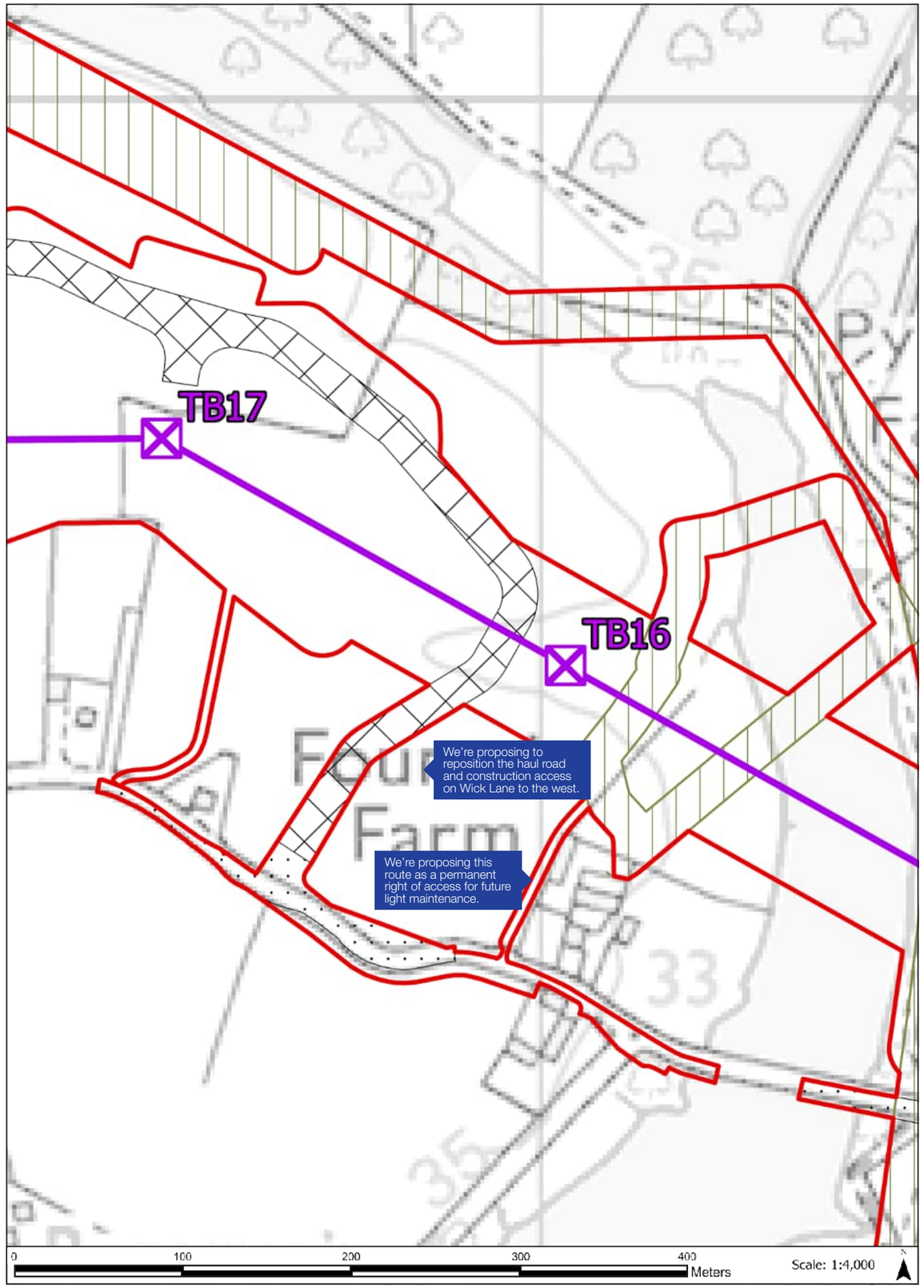

Have your say

Our targeted consultation on the proposed changes at this location runs from **2 noon 25 February 2025 to 27 March 2025.**

If you have any comments regarding this proposed change, you can provide feedback by using the location reference **Essex 4**.

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Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 4

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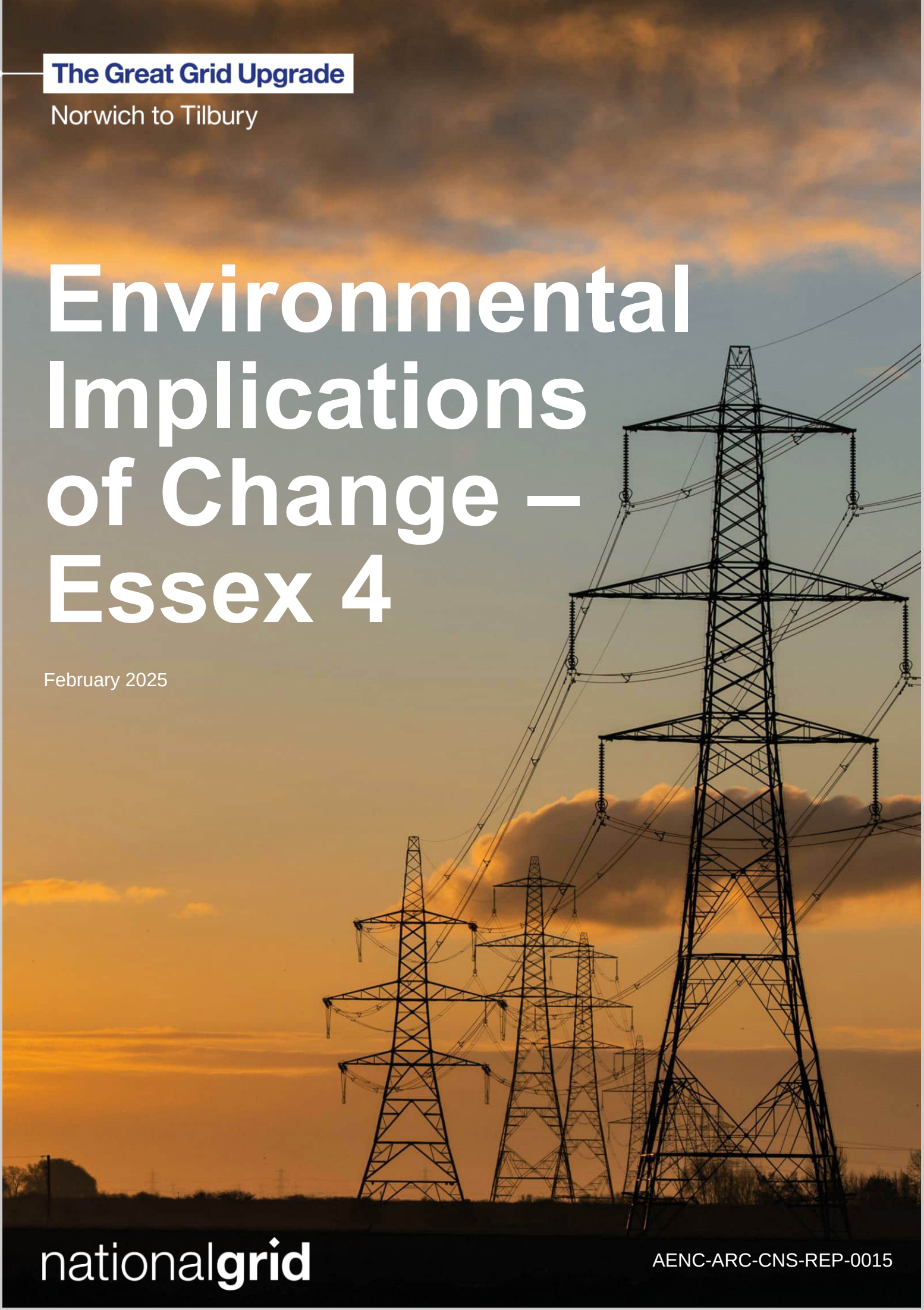

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1. Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 4

1.1 Introduction

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Key

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Proposed project design details

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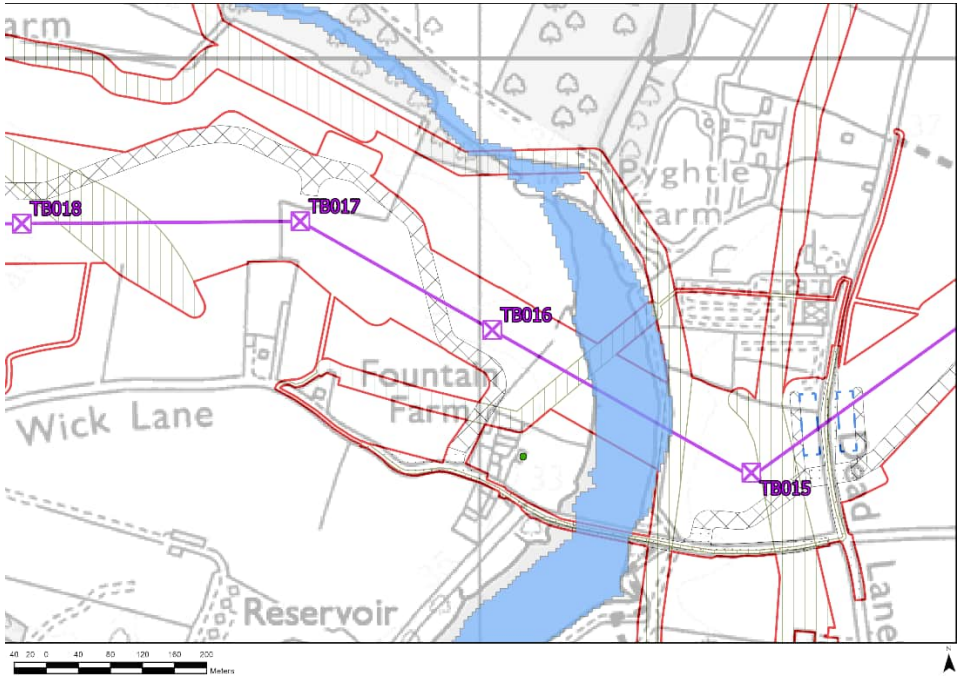

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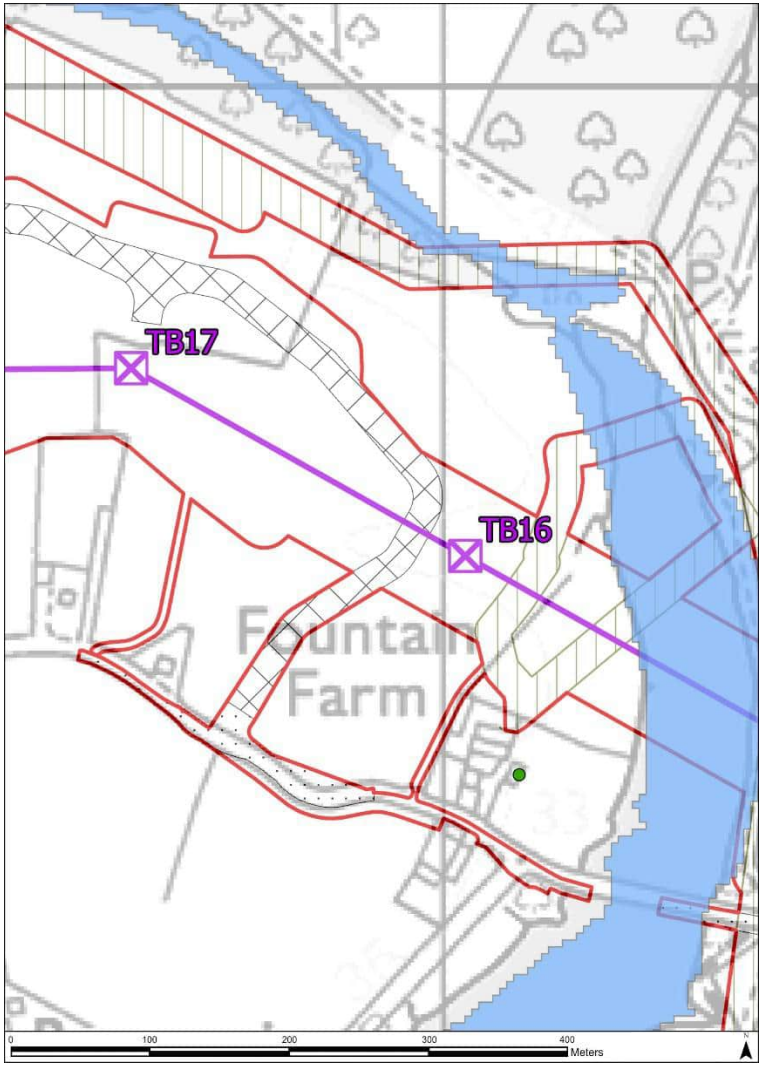

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Leaflets - Essex 5

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We are consulting on the proposed changes described below and overleaf between 25 February and 27 March 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing to reposition a line of pylons near Surrex, to the east of the position presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024. You can see the alignment presented at our consultation in summer 2024 and our proposed changes on the maps overleaf. The proposed change would affect the location of the pylons TB71 to TB75 (previously presented at statutory consultation in summer 2024 as TB071 to TB074).

This is in response to consultation feedback which asked us to consider:

- increasing distance from residential properties
- changing the haul road to avoid isolating horse paddocks
- reducing the effect of the scaffolding requirements where the line would cross the A120.

The proposed change would include the addition of one further angle pylon to position the line more evenly between residential properties in the settlement of Surrex and the residential properties at Skye Green. This would remove the need for the haul road to cross the horse paddocks to the south of Surrex. We are also proposing to change the haul roads associated with these pylons so that they follow field boundaries where possible, reducing the impacts on land uses and agricultural activity, along with other minor amendments to the order limits.

To accommodate the proposed repositioning of pylons, we are also proposing to move the bellmouth on Old Road, where project traffic would cross the road, to the east of the location we presented at statutory consultation in summer 2024. This would facilitate access to the construction sites for the relocated pylons.

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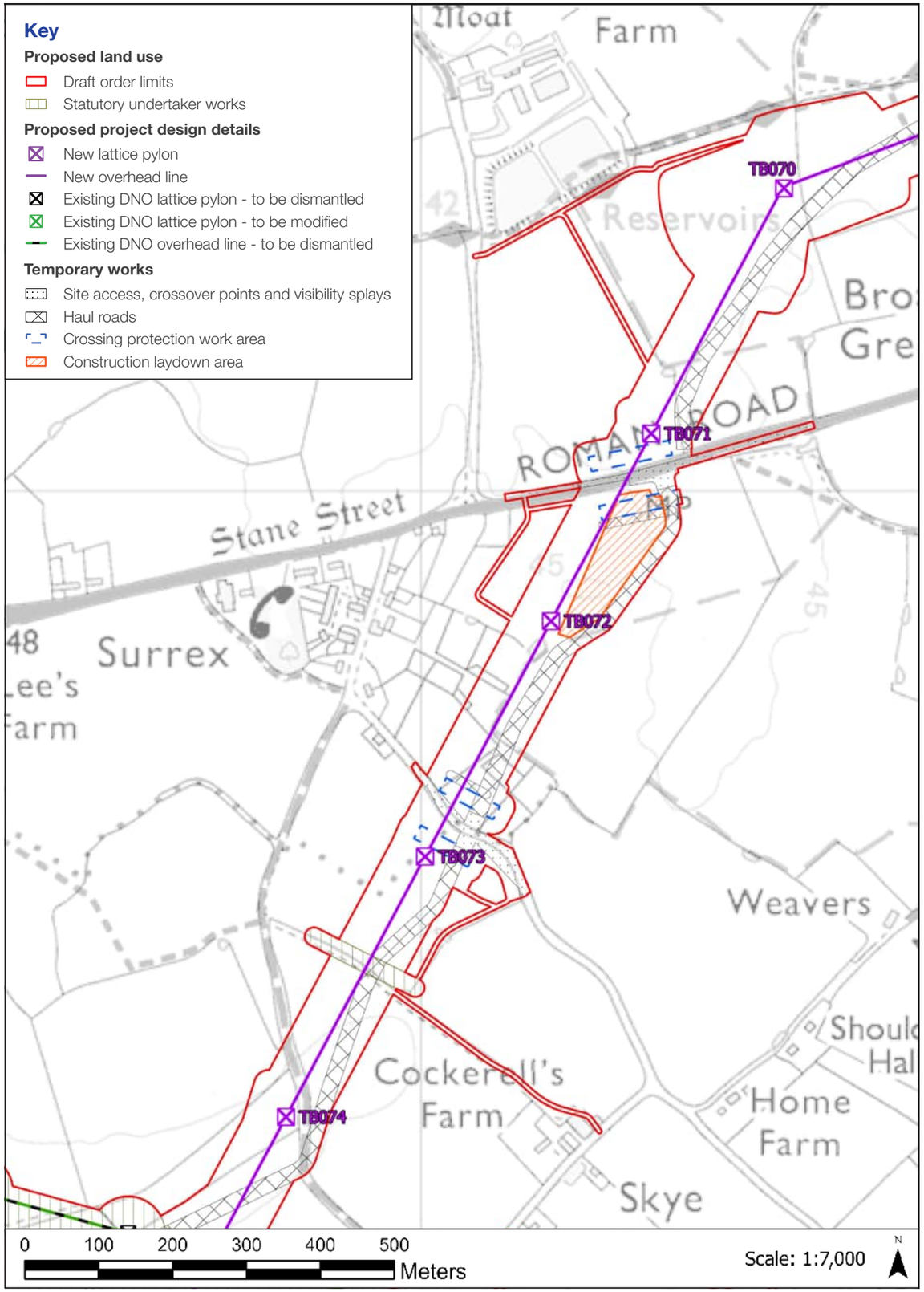

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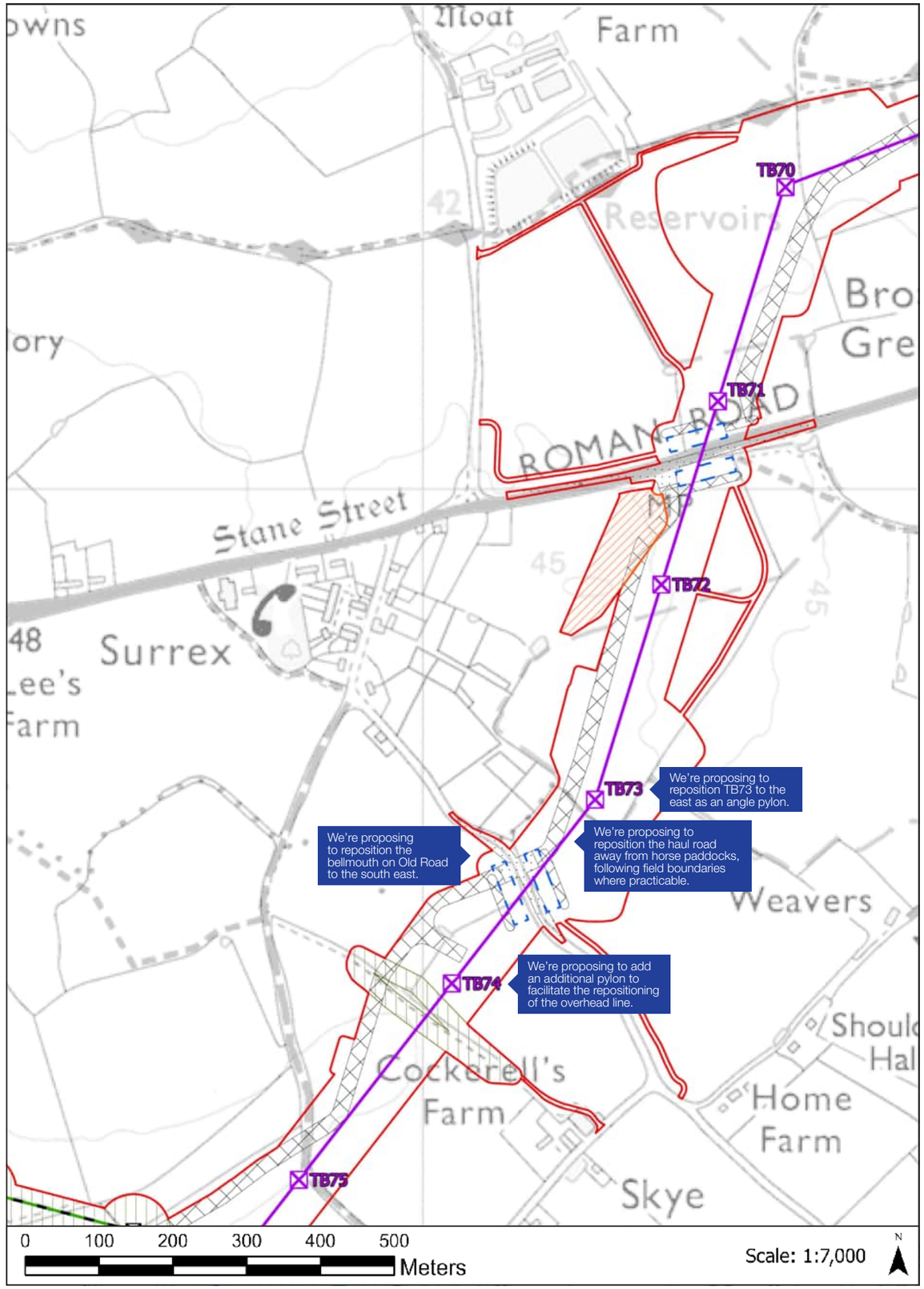

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Have your say

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Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 5

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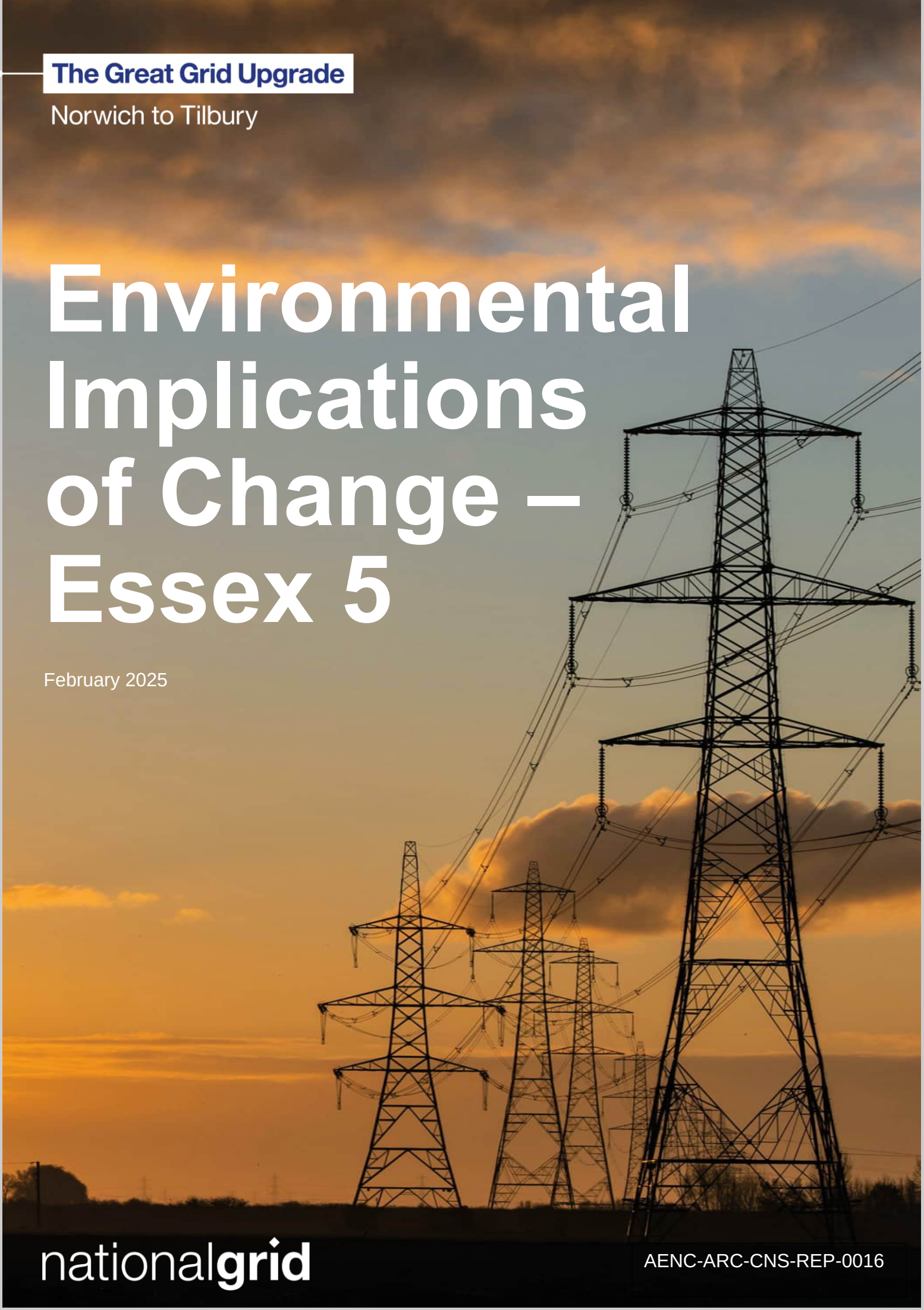

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1. Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 5

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 This Environmental Implications of Change document should be read alongside the associated Essex 5 targeted consultation leaflet.

1.1.2 Image 1 presents the Statutory Consultation design and the proposed change together with key environmental constraints using the key below.

Key

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Proposed project design details

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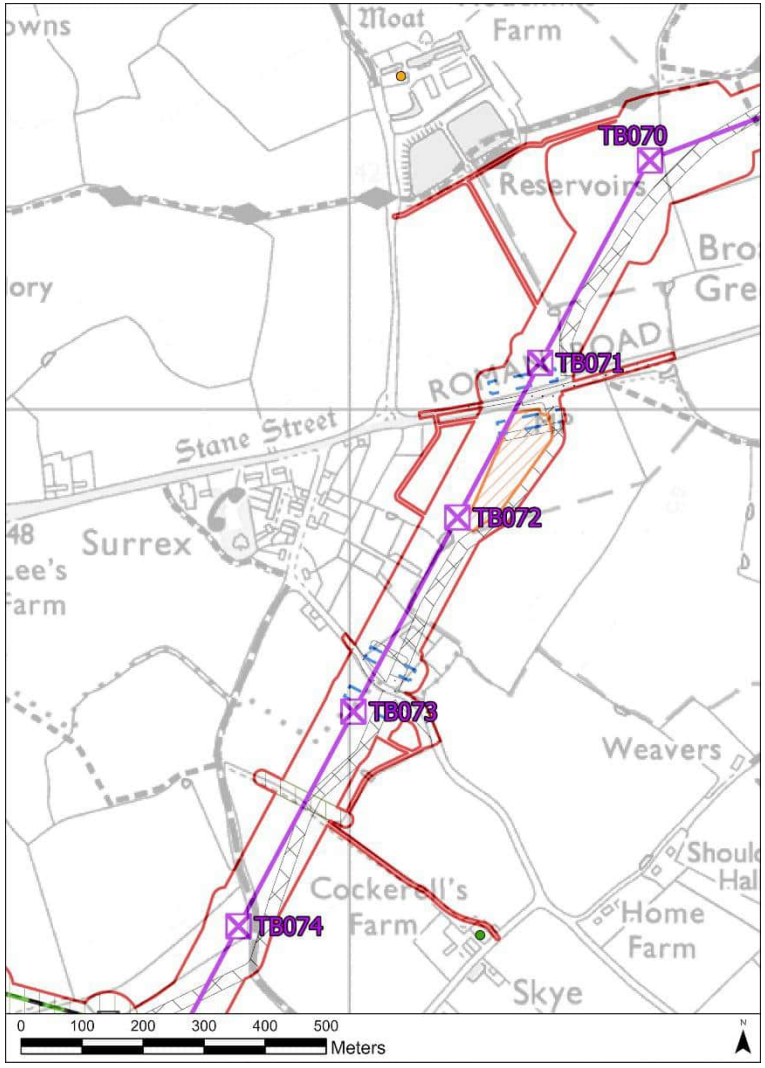

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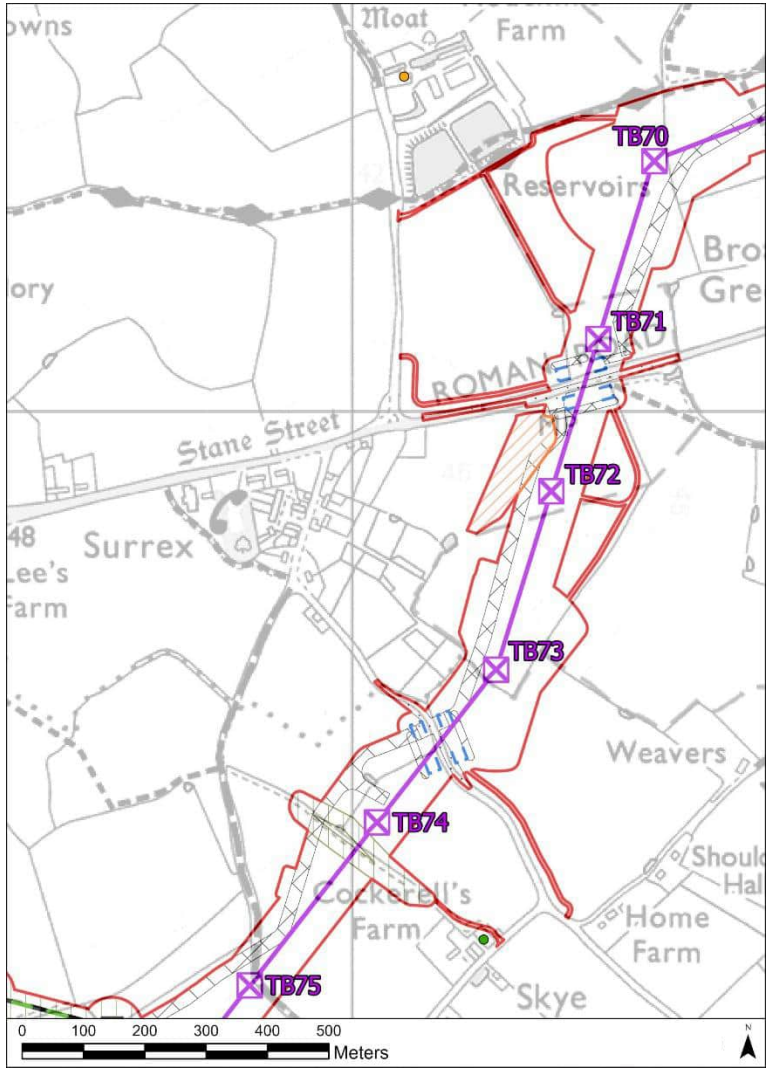

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1.2.2 For information on the environmental implications of a change following our review, National Grid has produced an 'Environmental Implications of Change document' (EIC), like this one, with location reference to the specific area where the proposed change is located.

1.2.3 The table below outlines the environmental implications of a change which is proposed as a result of feedback received during statutory consultation in 2024. The information provided here is proportionate and appropriate information on the environmental implications when looked at both in local context and in the context of the project as a whole.

Environmental Topic	**Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR**
Agriculture and Soils	Indicative mapping shows similar 'Provisional Agricultural Land Classification' grading and soil types as per identified the design presented at statutory consultation. There would be no change to the type or significance of agriculture and soil effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Air Quality	There would be no change to the type or significance of air quality effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Ecology and Biodiversity	There would be no change to the type or significance of ecology and biodiversity effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Contaminated Land, Geology and Hydrogeology	There would be no change to the type or significance of contaminated land, geology and hydrogeology effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Health and Wellbeing	There would be no change to the type or significance of health and wellbeing effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

Environmental Topic	Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR
Historic Environment	There would be no change to the type or significance of historic environment effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Hydrology, Land Drainage and Flood Risk	There would be no change to the type or significance of hydrology, land drainage and flood risk effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Landscape and Visual	The proposed change would result in an additional angle tower when compared to the design presented at statutory consultation, although not in proximity to sensitive receptors. The proposed change would take the alignment further from the small settlement of Surrex. The proposed change would be closer to properties to the south e.g. Cockerell's Farm. In terms of landscape, effects on landscape character are likely to be similar. This is because the design presented at statutory consultation the proposed change would both introduce pylons into the farmed plateau. There would be no change to the type or significance of landscape and visual effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Noise and Vibration	There would be no change to the type or significance of noise and vibration effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Socio-economics, Recreation and Tourism	The proposed change would bring the alignment further from the private stable. There would be no change to the type or significance of socio-economic, recreation and tourism effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Traffic and Transport	There would be no change to the type or significance of traffic and transport effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

1.3 Conclusion

1.3.1 The proposed change would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the PEIR (National Grid, 2024) which was published for statutory consultation. The PEIR can be viewed here.

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Leaflets - Essex 6

The Great Grid Upgrade

Norwich to Tilbury

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Targeted consultation

Location reference: Essex 6

12 noon 25 February 2025 to 11:59 pm 27 March 2025

Norwich to Tilbury is a proposal for a new electricity transmission connection. It will play an important part in connecting low carbon, more affordable electricity from where it is generated to where it is needed.

From 10 April to 26 July 2024, we held a statutory consultation, inviting local communities, land owners and stakeholders to share their views on our proposals.

Since then, we have been carefully reviewing all the feedback we received as well as considering the findings of ongoing assessment work.

This has identified some places where there is potential to make a change to the proposals we published at our statutory consultation. These potential changes do not materially change the effects or fundamentally change the project as a whole.

We intend to submit our application for development consent in summer 2025. Before we make any decisions, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes near to them.

We are consulting on the proposed changes described below and overleaf between 25 February and 27 March 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

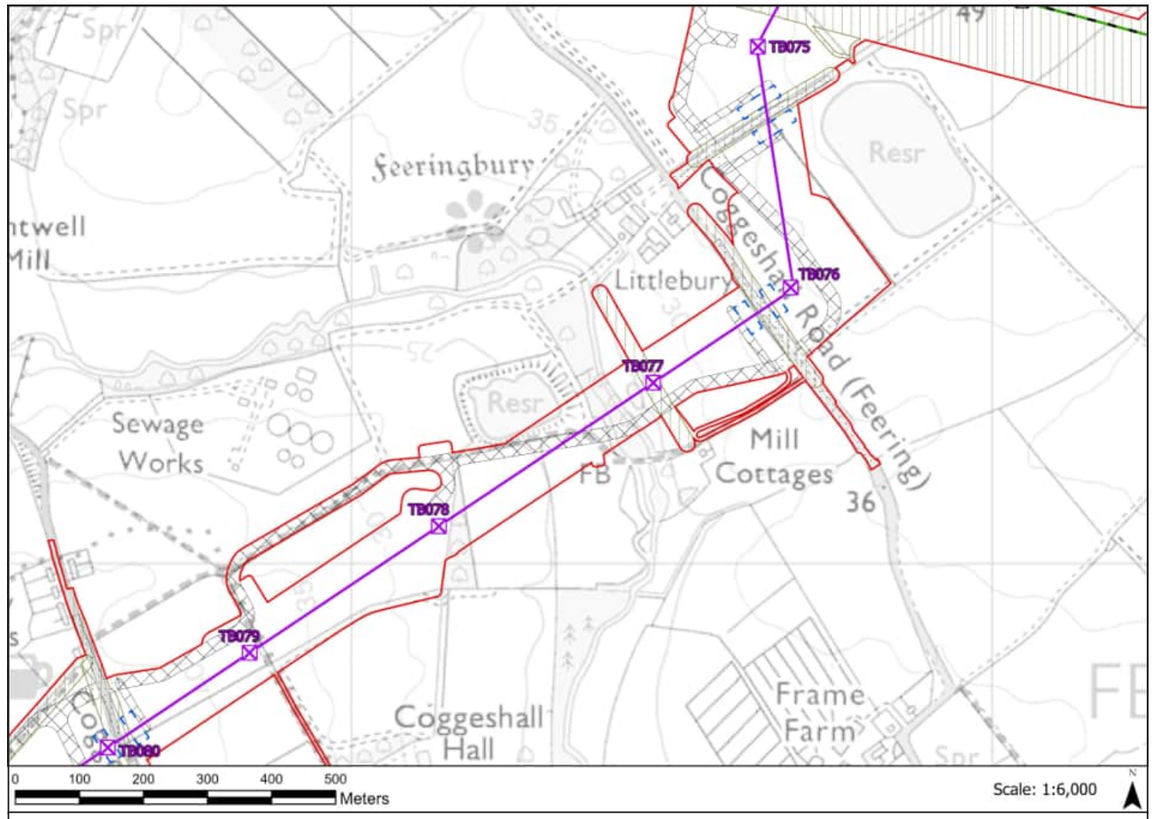
In response to feedback from statutory consultation in summer 2024, we are proposing to reposition a line of pylons near Feering, further to the southeast. You can see the alignment presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024 and our proposed changes on the maps overleaf. The proposed change would affect the location of the pylons between TB77 and TB81 (previously presented at statutory consultation as TB076 and TB079).

To reduce close views of pylon TB78 (previously TB077) from nearby homes, it would be positioned to the southeast of its previous location, on lower ground, and would become an angle pylon. The alignment would then run west, including an additional pylon to facilitate the proposed repositioning of TB78. TB80 (previously TB078) would also shift to the south, connecting to TB81 (previously TB079) at a slight angle.

The proposed pylon positioning would maintain the field edge positioning presented in the draft alignment presented at statutory consultation in 2024. Access arrangements would also use existing tracks and field boundaries as far as practicable.

To accommodate this proposed change in alignment, we are also proposing to make changes to the haul road and the bellmouths – where project traffic would cross public highways or enter the project site. The crossing on Coggeshall Road (Feering) would be repositioned slightly to the north of where it was proposed at statutory consultation in 2024, and the crossing over the B1024 Coggeshall Road would move 130 m south. We are also proposing a new cross over bellmouth on Old Mill Lane, along with other minor amendments to the order limits.

Alignment presented at the 2024 statutory consultation



Key

Proposed land use

- Draft order limits
- Statutory undertaker works

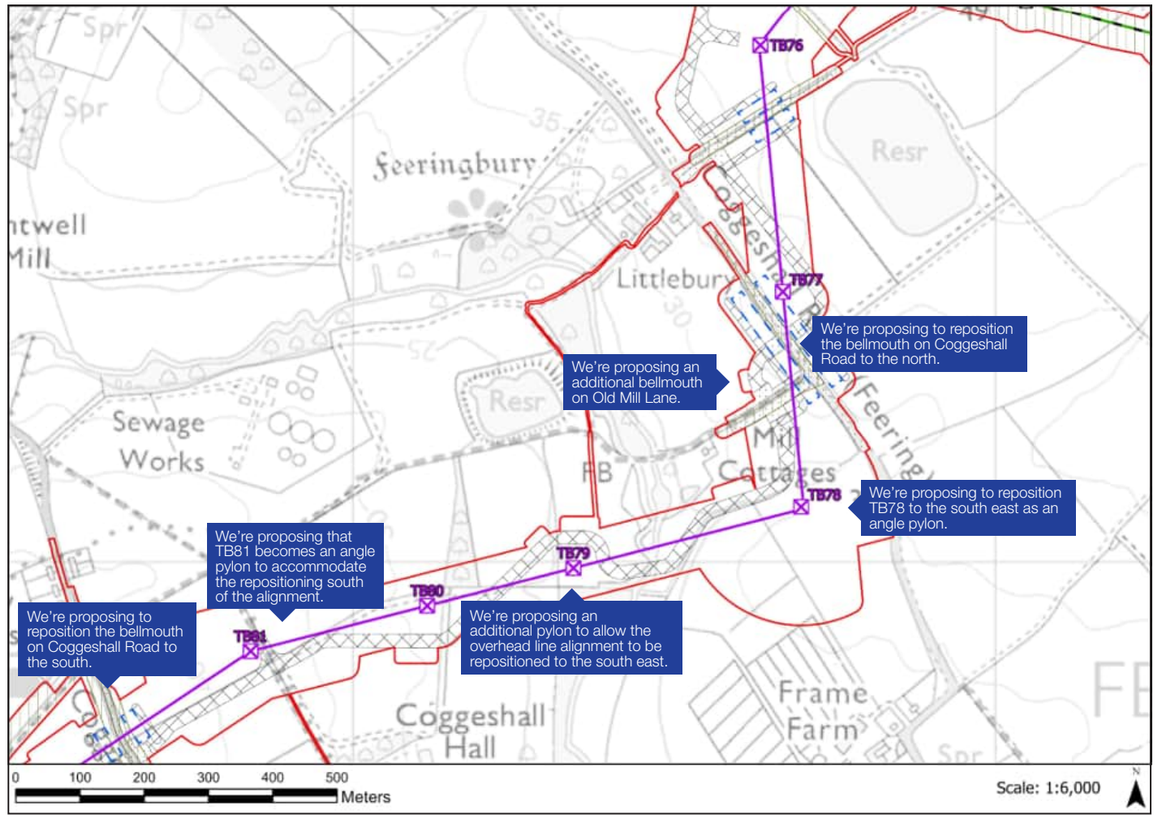
Proposed project design details

- New lattice pylon
- New overhead line
- Existing Distribution Network Operator (DNO) overhead line - to be dismantled

Temporary works

- Site access, crossover points and visibility splays
- Haul roads
- Crossing protection work area

Area of proposed change February 2025



What are the environmental implications of the proposed changes?

The proposed changes would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 consultation.

For more information on environmental implications, please see the Environmental Implications of Change document (EIC) with location reference **Essex 6**, where information on the environmental implications of the proposed change is provided and can be read alongside the information contained here.

If you received this leaflet in the post, the EIC will be enclosed. Alternatively, you can view the EIC on our website at **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**.

If, following careful consideration of any feedback we receive, we decide to make this change, baseline information, environmental surveys and assessments associated with this change will be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES) that will form part of our application for a Development Consent Order (DCO).

Have your say

Our targeted consultation on the proposed changes at this location runs from **12 noon 25 February 2025 to 27 March 2025.**

If you have any comments regarding this proposed change, you can provide feedback by using the location reference **Essex 6**.

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Attend a webinar

To give people an opportunity to ask the project team questions, we are holding three webinars via Microsoft Teams.

The webinars which will cover this change will be held on **17 March 2025 at 6:00 pm and 18 March 2025 at 12 noon**.

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The deadline for feedback is 11:59 pm on 27 March 2025.

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Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 6

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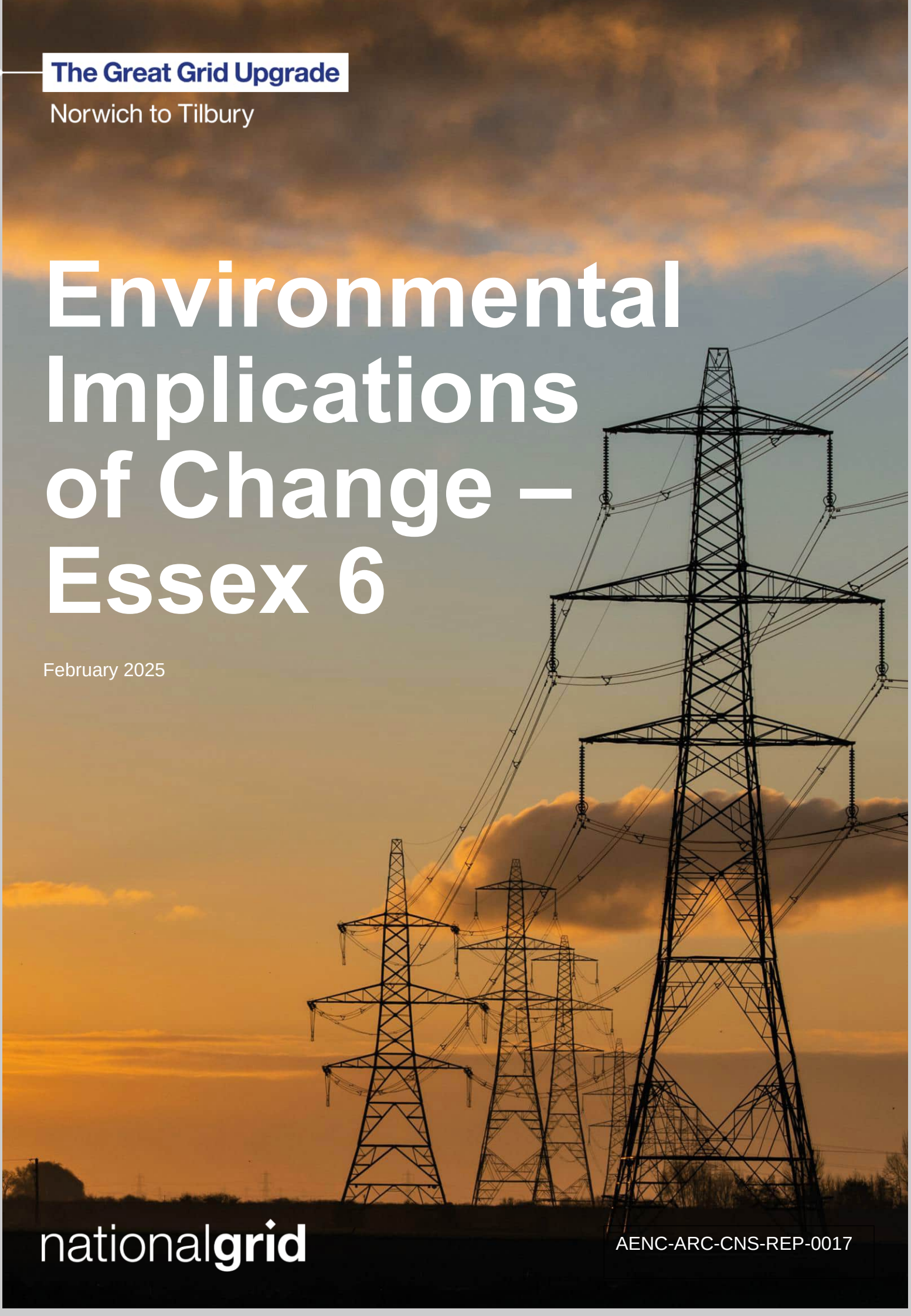

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1. Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 6

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 This Environmental Implications of Change document should be read alongside the associated Essex 6 targeted consultation leaflet.

1.1.2 Image 1 presents the Statutory Consultation design and the proposed change together with key environmental constraints using the key below.

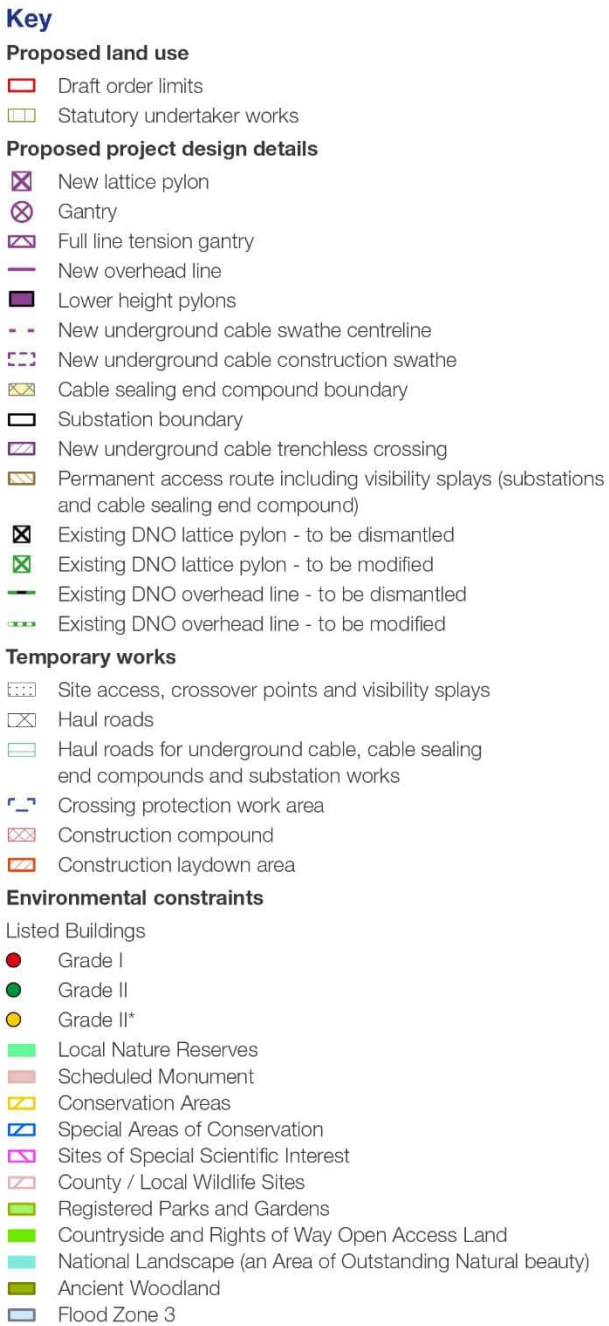

Image 1: Proposed Change

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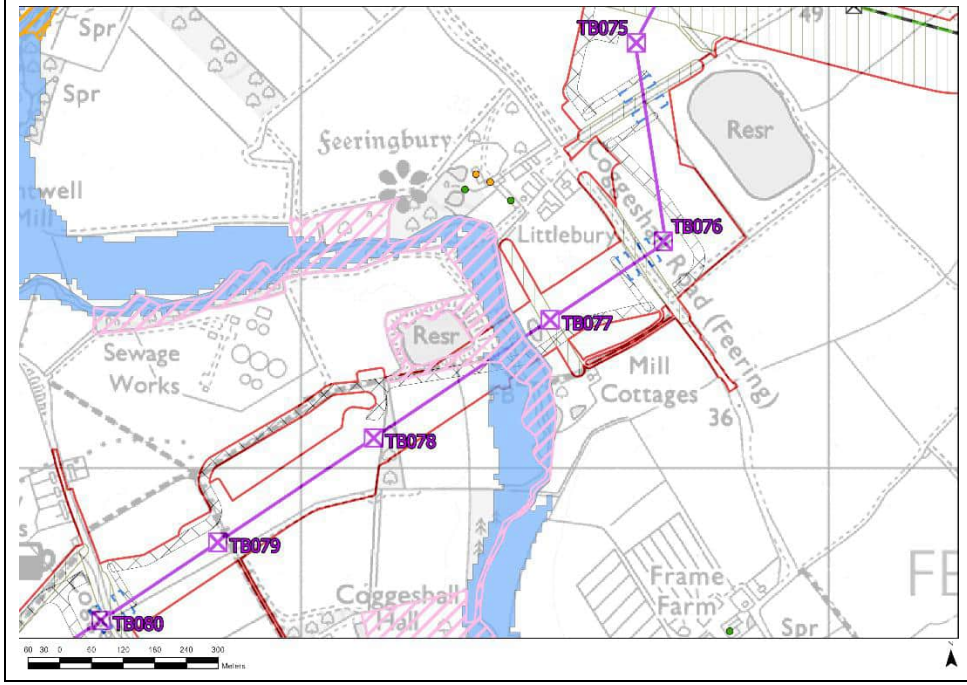

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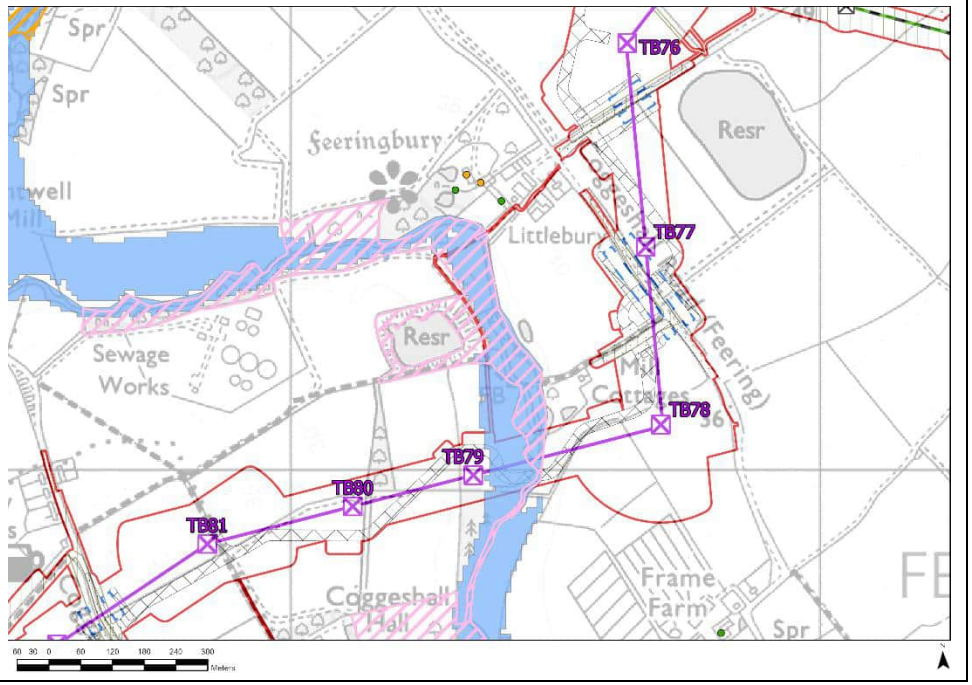

1.2 Environmental Implications of Change

1.2.1 We have reviewed the proposed change set out in the consultation information leaflet and its likely environmental implications against the preliminary assessment reported in the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 statutory consultation. We have undertaken this review against each of the technical topics covered by the PEIR, with respect to this location within the Project, including: agriculture and soils; air quality; ecology and biodiversity; contaminated land, geology and hydrogeology; health and wellbeing; historic environment; hydrology, land drainage and flood risk; landscape and visual; noise and vibration; socio-economics, recreation and tourism; and traffic and transport. We have applied the same methodologies and principles set out in the PEIR based on the information available and recognising that the Project is the subject of ongoing consultation and environmental surveys.

1.2.2 For information on the environmental implications of a change following our review, National Grid has produced an 'Environmental Implications of Change document' (EIC), like this one, with location reference to the specific area where the proposed change is located.

1.2.3 The table below outlines the environmental implications of a change which is proposed as a result of feedback received during statutory consultation in 2024. The information provided here is proportionate and appropriate information on the environmental implications when looked at both in local context and in the context of the project as a whole.

Environmental Topic	**Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR**
Agriculture and Soils	Indicative mapping shows similar 'Provisional Agricultural Land Classification' grading and soil types as identified for the design presented at statutory consultation. There would be no change to the type or significance of agriculture and soil effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Air Quality	There would be no change to the type or significance of air quality effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Ecology and Biodiversity	The proposed alignment change would pass through a narrower section of the Coggeshall Hall Farm Local Wildlife Site compared to the design presented at statutory consultation. The proposed route would also pass through a series of ponds that appear to be wetland habitat creation and more mature hedgerows. Overall, there would be no change to the type or significance of ecology and biodiversity effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Contaminated Land, Geology and Hydrogeology	There would be no change to the type or significance of contaminated land, geology and hydrogeology effects as a result of the proposed

Environmental Topic	Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR
	change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Health and Wellbeing	There would be no change to the type or significance of health and wellbeing effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Historic Environment	The proposed change would move the alignment further from Feeringbury Manor (Grade II*) and closer to a scheduled monument and listed buildings at Frame Farmhouse. This change would move an angle pylon further from Feeringbury Manor and closer to the scheduled monument and listed buildings at Frame Farmhouse. However, overall, there would be no change to the type or significance of historic environment effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Hydrology, Land Drainage and Flood Risk	There would be no change to the type or significance of hydrology, land drainage and flood risk effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Landscape and Visual	The proposed change would introduce an additional pylon, and the alignment would be slightly longer in length than the alignment presented at statutory consultation. The pylon north-west of Coggeshall Hall would become an angle pylon. The proposed change would move the alignment further south into lower lying land, in a localised shallow valley area. The alignment would be to the east and south of properties at Mill Cottage / Threadkells, rather than to the north. The closest pylon would be slightly further away from the properties at Mill Cottage / Threadkells, when compared to the design presented at statutory consultation. The proposed change would move the alignment slightly further from properties at Littlebury in views to the south, although close views of the alignment to the east would remain. The proposed change would move the alignment closer to properties at Coggleshall Hall and Frame Farm than the design presented at statutory consultation. In terms of landscape, effects on landscape character are likely to be similar. This is because the design presented at statutory consultation and the proposed change would both introduce pylons into a farmed valley landscape. There would be no change to the type or significance of landscape and visual effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

Environmental Topic	Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR
Noise and Vibration	There would be no change to the type or significance of noise and vibration effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Socio-economics, Recreation and Tourism	The proposed change would bring the alignment further from the Ferringbury Manor Gardens when compared to the design presented at statutory consultation. Overall, there would be no change to the type or significance of socio-economic, recreation and tourism effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Traffic and Transport	There would be no change to the type or significance of traffic and transport effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

1.3 Conclusion

1.3.1 The proposed change would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the PEIR (National Grid, 2024) which was published for statutory consultation. The PEIR can be viewed here.

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Leaflets - Essex 7

The Great Grid Upgrade

Norwich to Tilbury

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Targeted consultation

Location reference: Essex 7

12 noon 25 February 2025 to 11:59 pm 27 March 2025

Norwich to Tilbury is a proposal for a new electricity transmission connection. It will play an important part in connecting low carbon, more affordable electricity from where it is generated to where it is needed.

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We intend to submit our application for development consent in summer 2025. Before we make any decisions, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes near to them.

We are consulting on the proposed changes described below and overleaf between 25 February and 27 March 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing to extend the project order limits south of Great Leighs, between pylons TB128 and TB133 (previously presented as TB126 to TB131).

We are proposing this change as Essex County Council has recently consulted on its draft updated Essex Minerals Plan and identified that this land could be allocated as a mineral site.

Extending the project order limits in this area to the south east would allow for flexibility if the site is allocated in the updated Essex Minerals Plan. You can see the order limits we presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024 and our proposed change on the maps overleaf.

We are also proposing other minor amendments to the order limits, including repositioning the temporary construction laydown area.

What are the environmental implications of the proposed changes?

The proposed changes would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 consultation.

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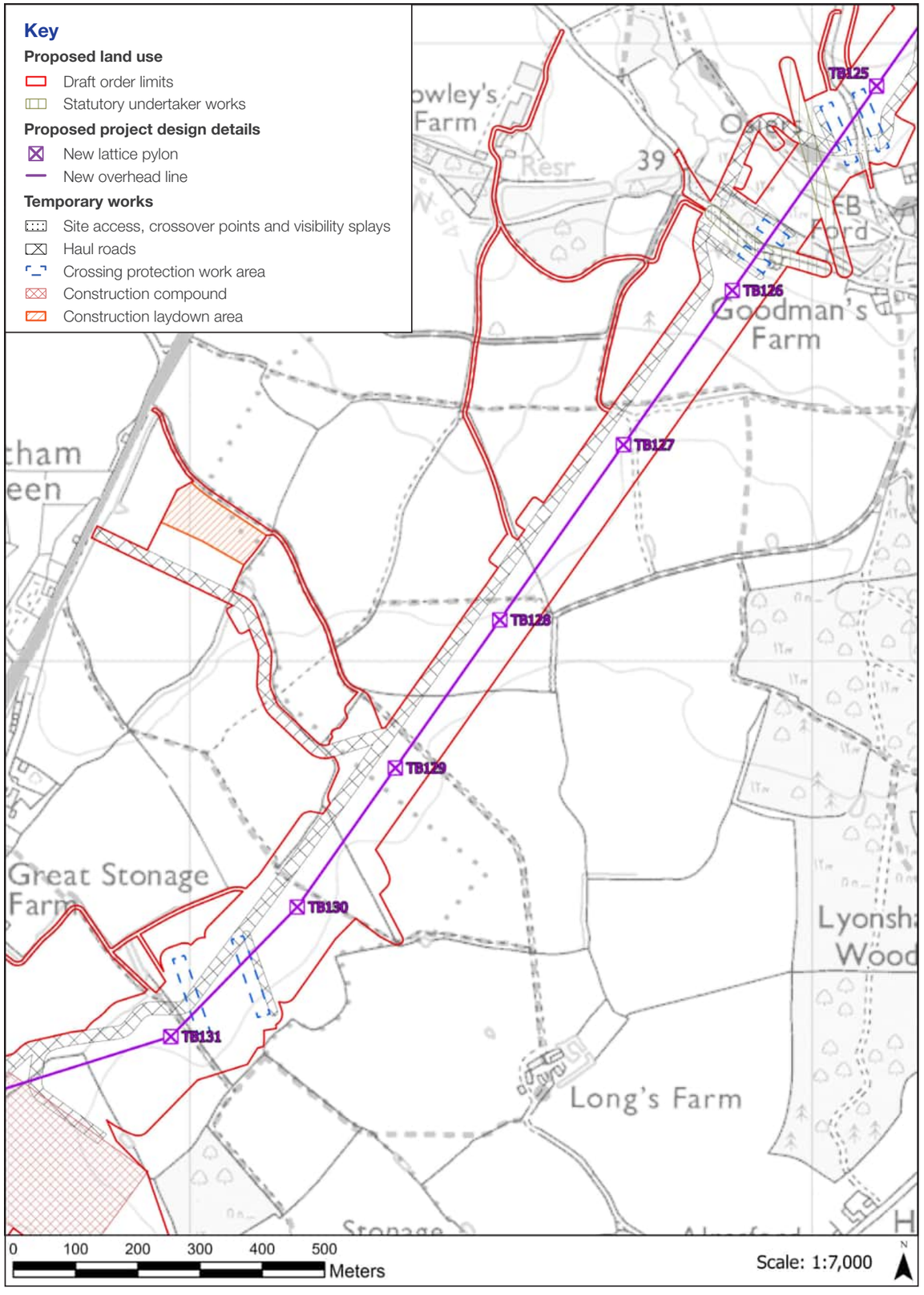

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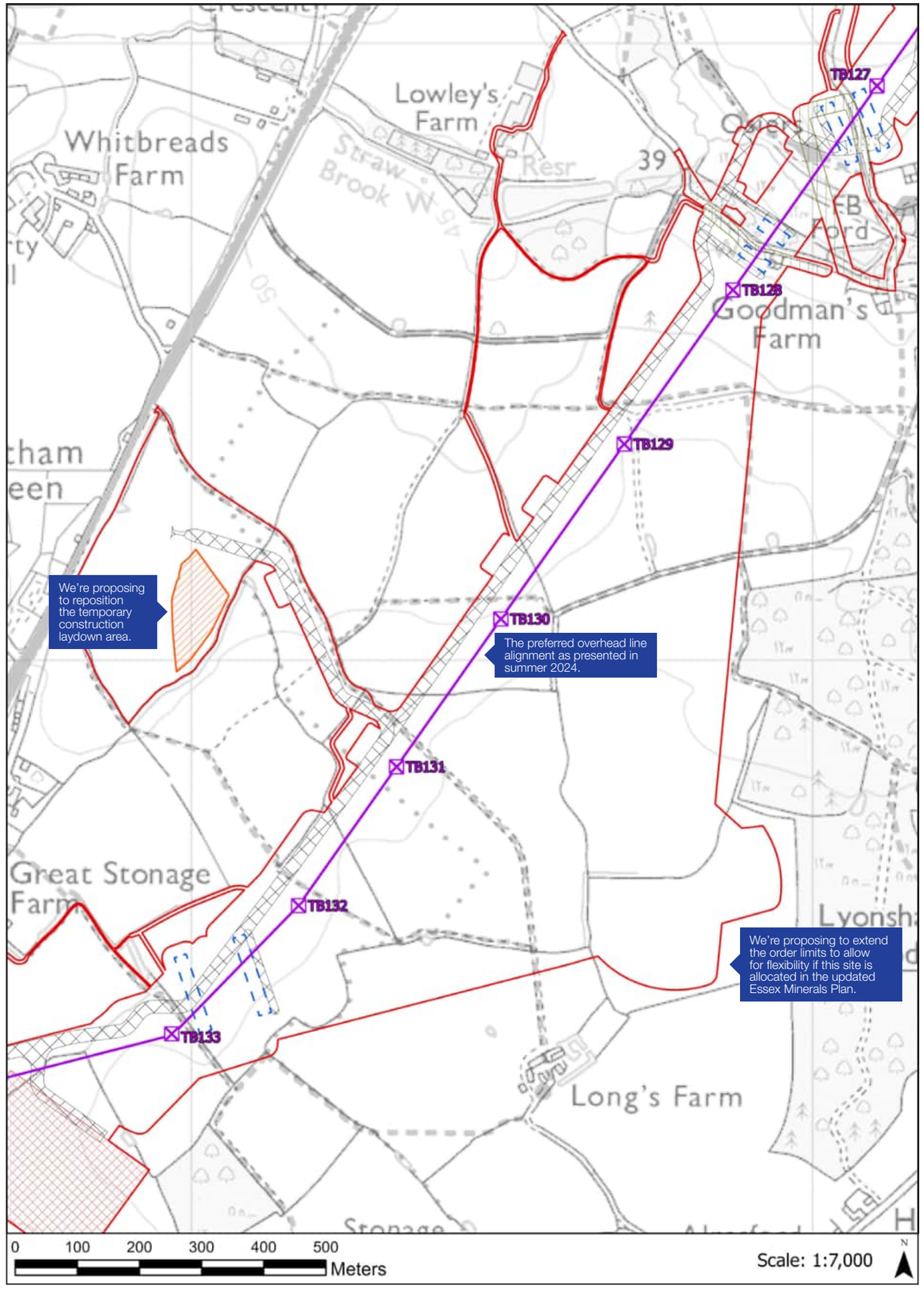

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Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 7

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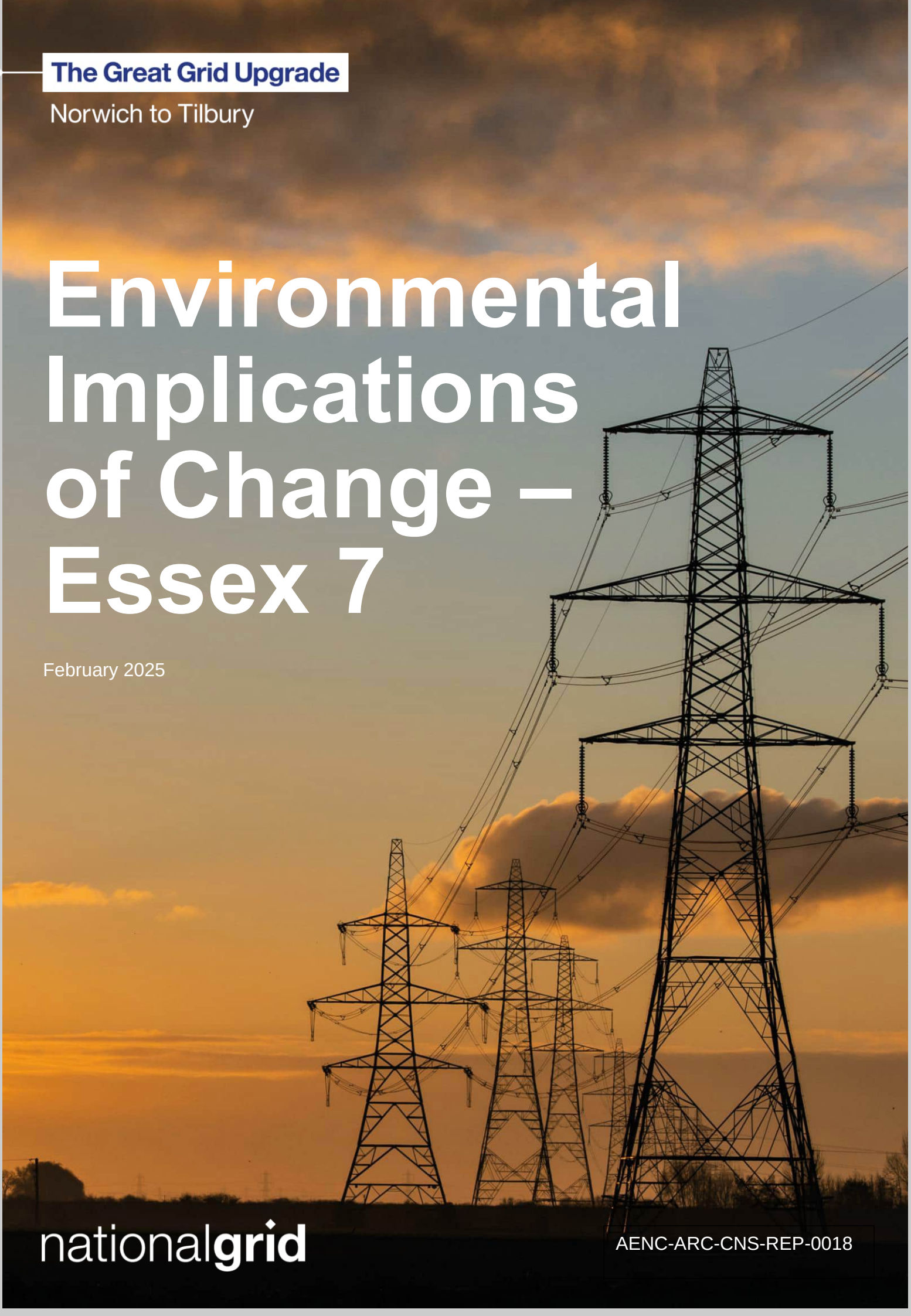

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1. Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 7

1.1 Introduction

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1.1.2 Image 1 presents the Statutory Consultation design and the proposed change together with key environmental constraints using the key below.

Key

Proposed land use

- Draft order limits
- Statutory undertaker works

Proposed project design details

- New lattice pylon
- Gantry
- Full line tension gantry
- New overhead line
- Lower height pylons
- New underground cable swathe centreline
- New underground cable construction swathe
- Cable sealing end compound boundary
- Substation boundary
- New underground cable trenchless crossing
- Permanent access route including visibility splays (substations and cable sealing end compound)
- Existing DNO lattice pylon - to be dismantled
- Existing DNO lattice pylon - to be modified
- Existing DNO overhead line - to be dismantled
- Existing DNO overhead line - to be modified

Temporary works

- Site access, crossover points and visibility splays
- Haul roads
- Haul roads for underground cable, cable sealing end compounds and substation works
- Crossing protection work area
- Construction compound
- Construction laydown area

Environmental constraints

Listed Buildings

- Grade I
- Grade II
- Grade II*
- Local Nature Reserves
- Scheduled Monument
- Conservation Areas
- Special Areas of Conservation
- Sites of Special Scientific Interest
- County / Local Wildlife Sites
- Registered Parks and Gardens
- Countryside and Rights of Way Open Access Land
- National Landscape (an Area of Outstanding Natural beauty)
- Ancient Woodland
- Flood Zone 3

Image 1: Proposed Change

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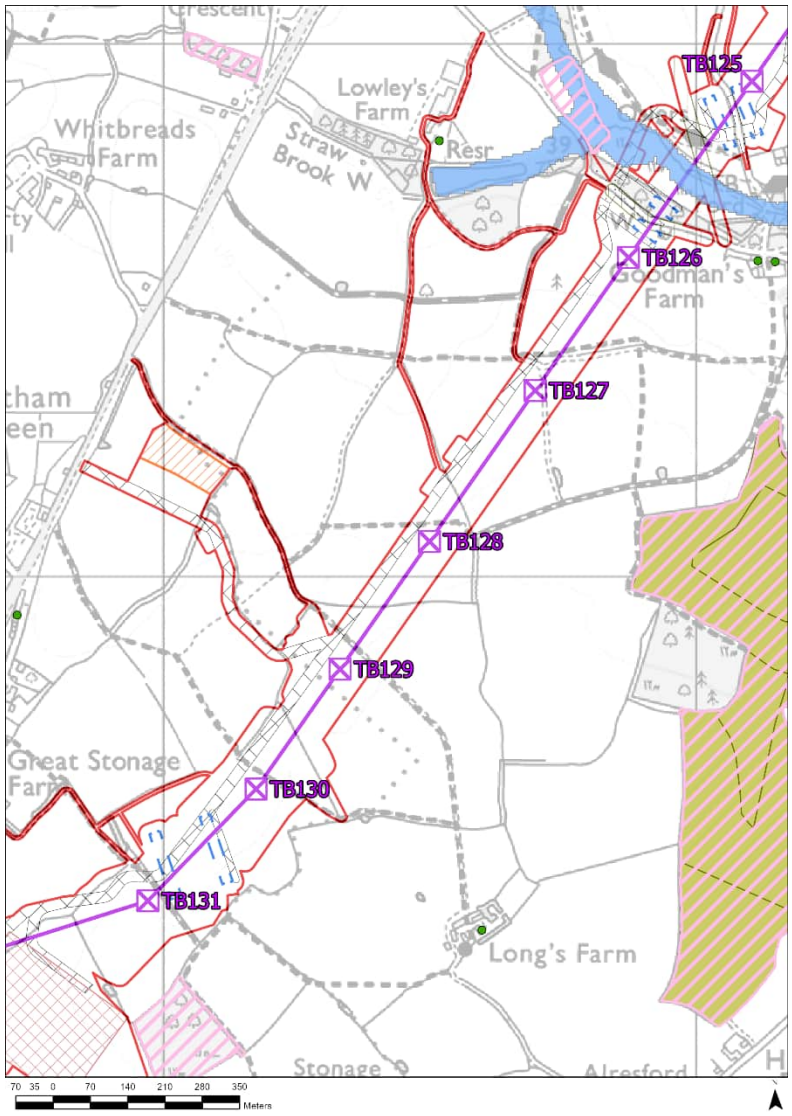

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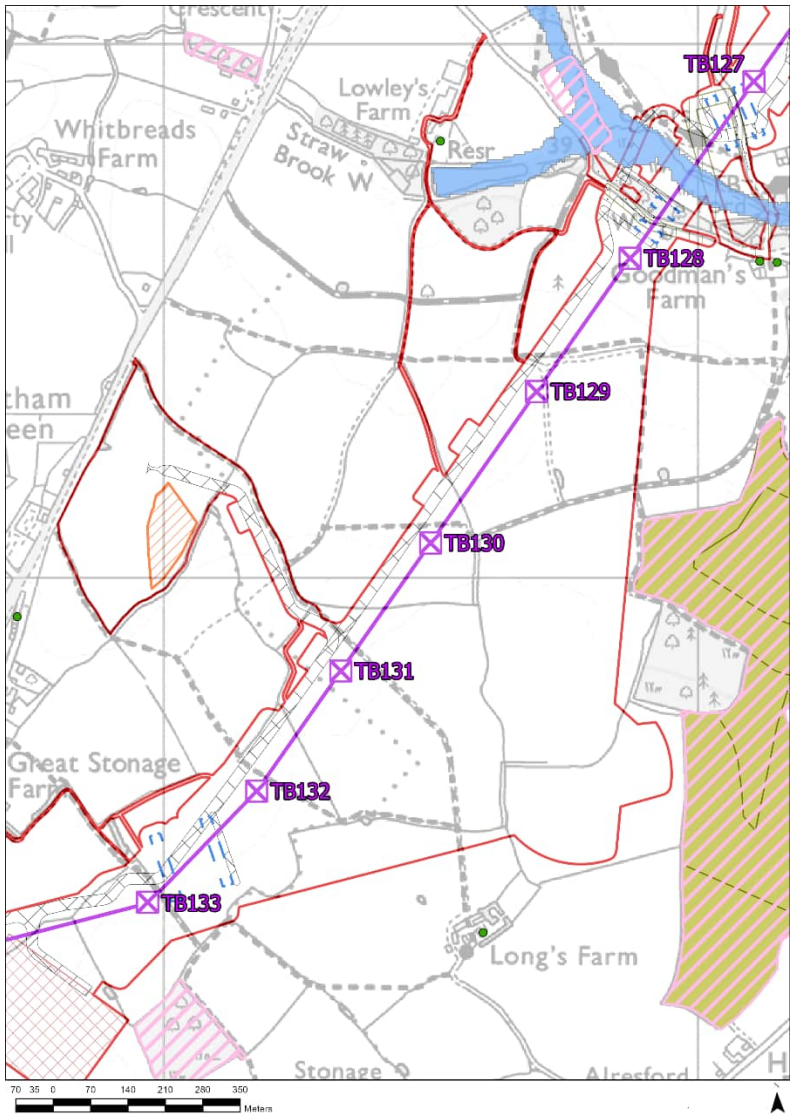

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Environmental Topic	**Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR**
Agriculture and Soils	Indicative mapping shows similar 'Provisional Agricultural Land Classification' grading and soil types as identified for the design presented at statutory consultation. There would be no change to the type or significance of agriculture and soil effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Air Quality	There would be no change to the type or significance of air quality effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Ecology and Biodiversity	The proposed alignment change would cross an additional two mature tree / hedge lines. The proposed change would be closer to Lyonshall Wood Local Wildlife Site which is also ancient woodland. Although closer to a Local Wildlife Site and two additional tree / hedge lines being crossed, there would be no change to the type or significance of ecology and biodiversity effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Contaminated Land, Geology and Hydrogeology	The proposed change would increase the number of pylons in the minerals safeguarded area. However, there would be no change to the type or overall significance of contaminated land, geology and

Environmental Topic	Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR
	hydrogeology effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Health and Wellbeing	There would be no change to the type or significance of health and wellbeing effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Historic Environment	The proposed change would move the alignment closer to several designated heritage assets. The closest is Longs Farmhouse grade II listed building, associated with a medieval moat. The proximity of the proposed tower locations could potentially result in permanent effects due to change to the setting of these listed buildings. This would only be significant for Longs Farmhouse due to the distance and intervening vegetation with the other listed buildings. The proposed change would move the alignment away from several Grade II listed buildings at Chatham Green. However, the impact of the Project on these assets would not change as a result of the proposed change. The proposed change would increase adverse effect on Longs Farmhouse from not significant to significant but would have no significant impact on other heritage assets when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Hydrology, Land Drainage and Flood Risk	There would be no change to the type or significance of hydrology, land drainage and flood risk effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Landscape and Visual	The proposed change would introduce one larger angle pylon into the landscape in close proximity to Long's Farm. In terms of landscape, effects on landscape character are likely to be similar. This is because the design presented at the statutory consultation and the proposed change would introduce pylons into the farmed plateau. There would be no change to the significance of landscape and visual effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design presented at statutory consultation.
Noise and Vibration	There would be no change to the significance of noise and vibration effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design presented at statutory consultation.
Socio-economics, Recreation and Tourism	There would be no change to the significance of socio-economic, recreation and tourism effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design presented at statutory consultation.
Traffic and Transport	There would be no change to the significance of traffic and transport effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design presented at statutory consultation.

1.3 Conclusion

1.3.1 The proposed change would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the PEIR (National Grid, 2024) which was published for statutory consultation. The PEIR can be viewed here.

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Leaflets - Essex 8

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12 noon 25 February 2025 to 11:59 pm 27 March 2025

Norwich to Tilbury is a proposal for a new electricity transmission connection. It will play an important part in connecting low carbon, more affordable electricity from where it is generated to where it is needed.

From 10 April to 26 July 2024, we held a statutory consultation, inviting local communities, land owners and stakeholders to share their views on our proposals.

Since then, we have been carefully reviewing all the feedback we received as well as considering the findings of ongoing assessment work.

This has identified some places where there is potential to make a change to the proposals we published at our statutory consultation. These potential changes do not materially change the effects or fundamentally change the project as a whole.

We intend to submit our application for development consent in summer 2025. Before we make any decisions, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes near to them.

We are consulting on the proposed changes described below and overleaf between 25 February and 27 March 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing to change the alignment of pylons between Great Waltham and Little Waltham. In the same area, we are also proposing to change the pylon design from full height lattice pylons to lower height lattice pylons. You can see the alignment we presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024 as well as our proposed changes, including the lower height pylons, on the maps overleaf. There is an illustrative image of a low-height lattice pylon below for reference.

This change is being proposed following feedback received at our statutory consultation in summer 2024, which asked us to consider reducing the visual impact of the pylons on conservation areas.

The proposed use of low height pylons is expected to remove or reduce the visibility of pylons from within the Great Waltham and Little Waltham conservation areas, and Langleys and associated park and garden.

While the new pylons would be shorter, they are also wider, potentially increasing the visual impact to properties within the immediate area.

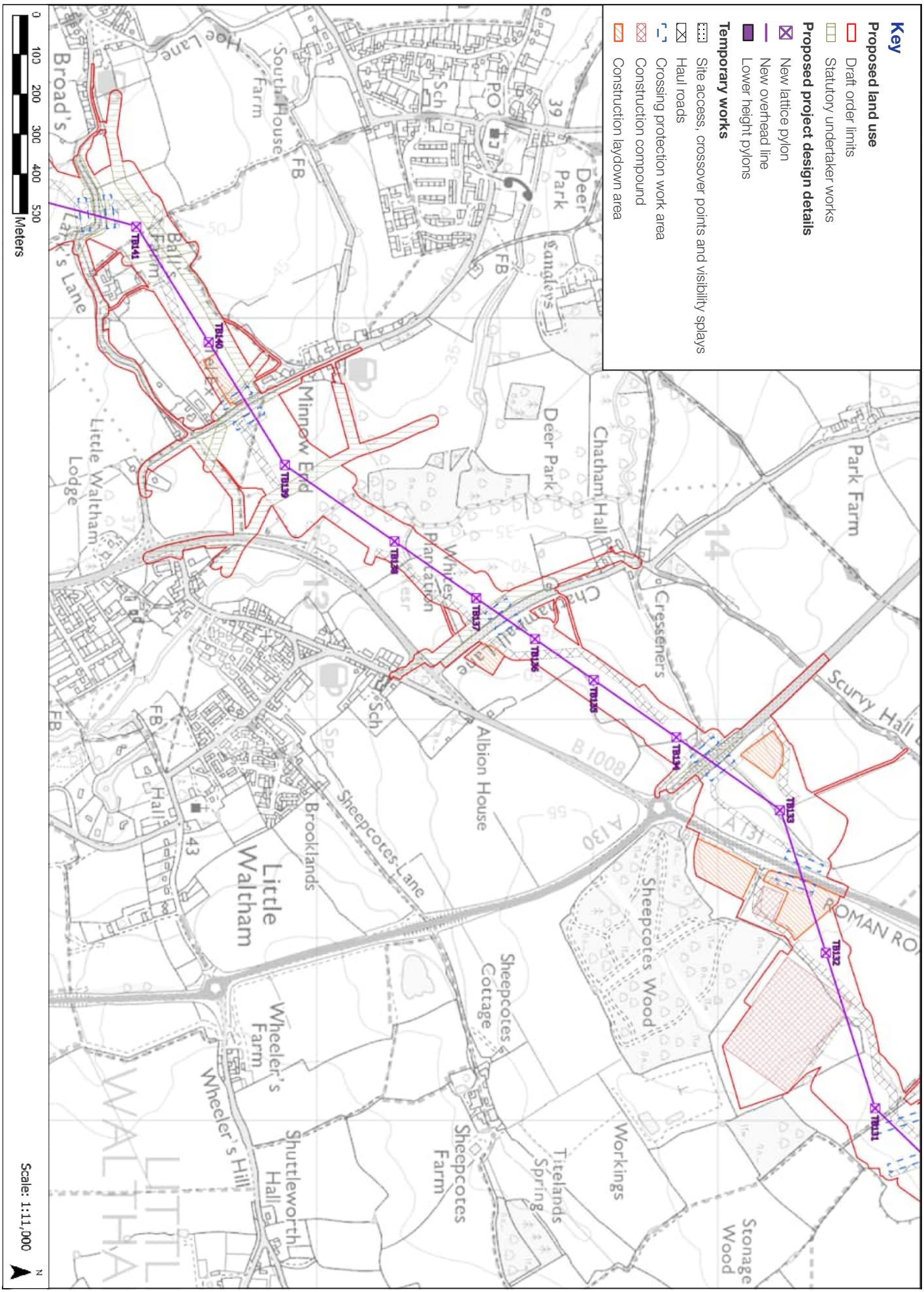
We are also proposing adjustments to the alignment that was presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024. This includes repositioning pylons between TB135 and TB142 (previously presented during statutory consultation as TB133 to TB140) to avoid veteran trees and protected species. This follows feedback received on the proposed positioning of the pylon to the south of the River Chelmer.

We are also proposing other minor amendments to the order limits.

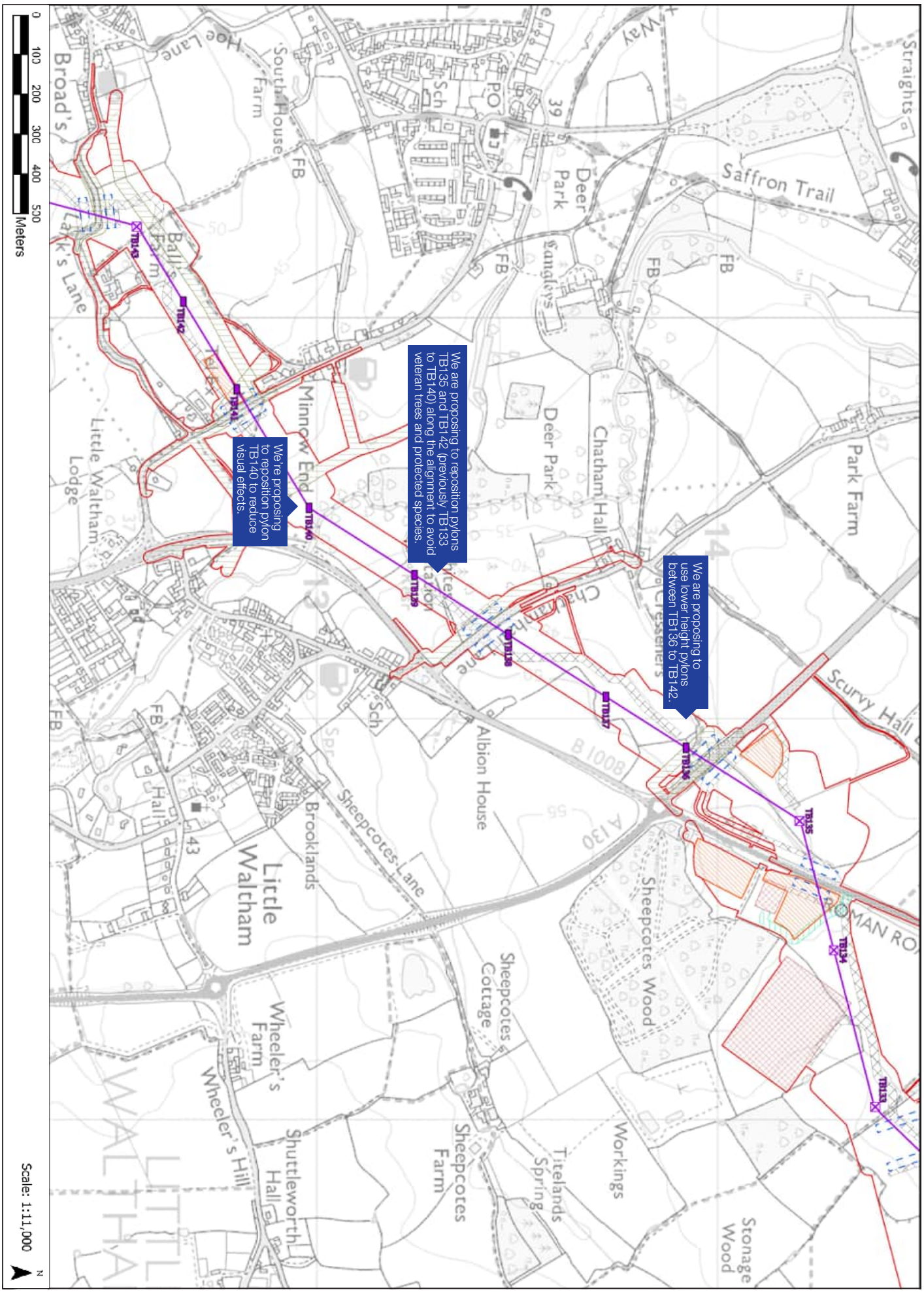
What are the environmental implications of the proposed changes?

The proposed change would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the Preliminary Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 consultation.

Alignment presented at the 2024 statutory consultation

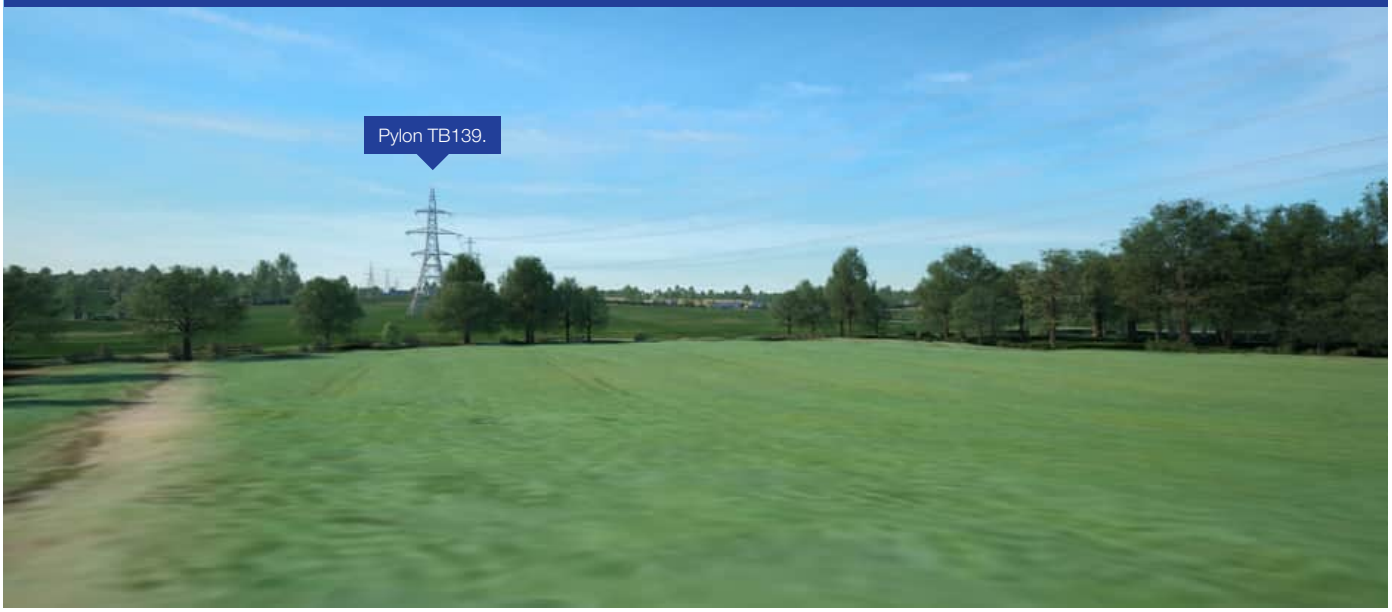


Area of proposed change February 2025



Example 3D visualisation of current landscape west of the B1008 (Coordinates: 51.790659, 0.472568)

3D visualisation as presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024



3D visualisation of lower height lattice pylons

Pylon TB140 is 125 m closer to the viewpoint than TB139 in the above image.

For more information on environmental implications, please see the Environmental Implications of Change document (EIC) with location reference **Essex 8**, where information on the environmental implications of the proposed change is provided and can be read alongside the information contained here.

If you received this leaflet in the post, the EIC will be enclosed. Alternatively, you can view the EIC on our website at **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**.

If, following careful consideration of any feedback we receive, we decide to make this change, baseline information, environmental surveys and assessments associated with this change will be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES) that will form part of our application for a Development Consent Order (DCO).

If you would like to see how the changes we are proposing at this location may look in the landscape, you can book a session with the community relations team to view our 3D model at **Great Waltham Village Hall on Friday 14 March between 6 pm and 8:30 pm**, and **Little Waltham Primary School on Saturday 15 March between 10 am and 2 pm**.

You can book by contacting us on any of the methods listed below.

Have your say

Our targeted consultation on the proposed changes at this location runs from **12 noon 25 February 2025 to 27 March 2025.**

If you have any comments regarding this proposed change, you can provide feedback by using the location reference **Essex 8**.

Feedback can be provided by:

Completing an online feedback questionnaire: **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**

Filling out a paper feedback questionnaire and sending it to the Freepost address below – if you haven't been sent one, please call us on: **0800 915 2497** and we will post one to you

Sending us an email: **contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com**

Writing to us (no stamp required) at: **FREEPOST N TO T**

Attend a webinar

To give people an opportunity to ask the project team questions, we are holding three webinars via Microsoft Teams.

The webinars which will cover this change will be held on **17 March 2025 at 6:00 pm and 18 March 2025 at 12 noon**.

You can sign up for a webinar on our website: **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**

- Essex – 17 March 2025 at 6:00 pm
- Essex and Thurrock – 18 March 2025 at 12 noon
- Thurrock – 18 March 2025 at 6:00 pm

You can also call us on: **0800 915 2497** if you have any questions.

Visit our website

nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury where you will find maps, consultation materials, and our online feedback questionnaire.

The deadline for feedback is 11:59 pm on 27 March 2025.

Contact us

If you would like to contact the community relations team, please get in touch via:

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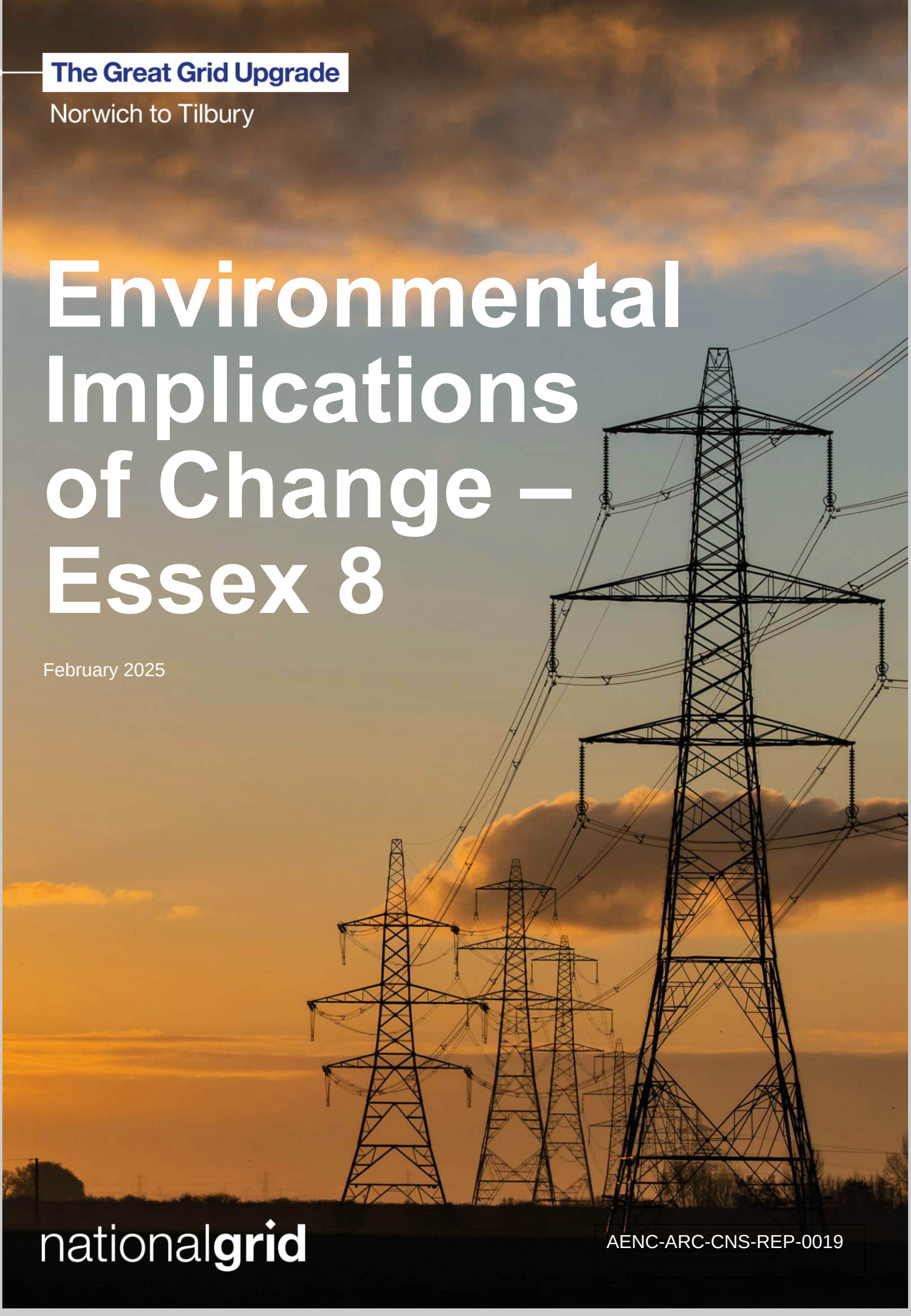
Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 8

February 2025



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1. Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 8

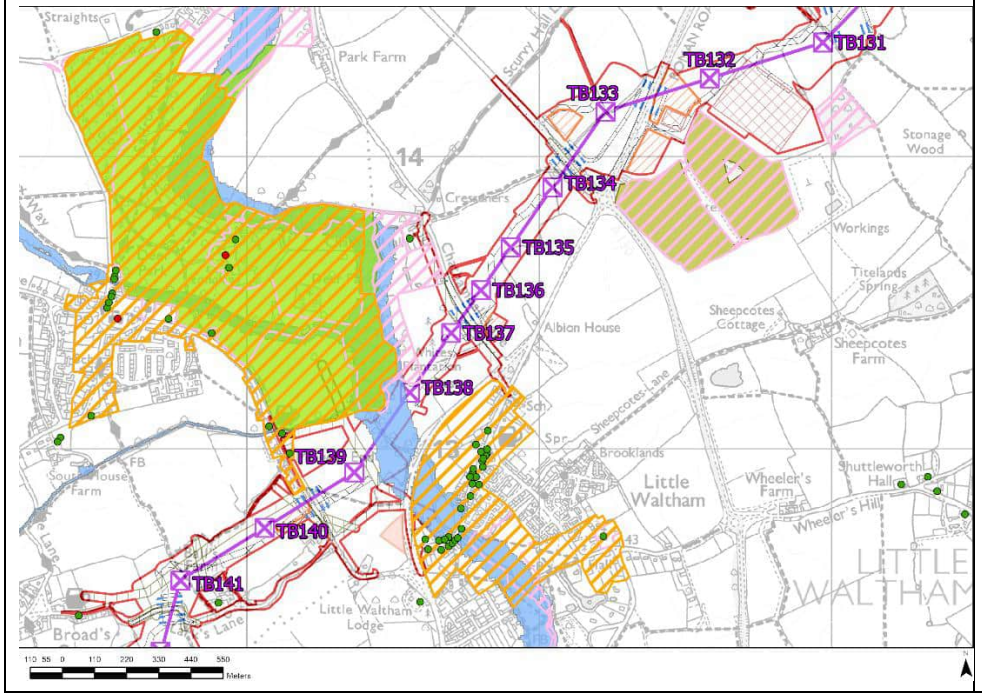
1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 This Environmental Implications of Change document should be read alongside the associated Essex 8 targeted consultation leaflet. This Environmental Implications of Change document can also be viewed on the Project website.

1.1.2 Image 1 presents the Statutory Consultation design and the proposed change together with key environmental constraints using the key below.

Image 1: Proposed Change

Statutory Consultation Design:



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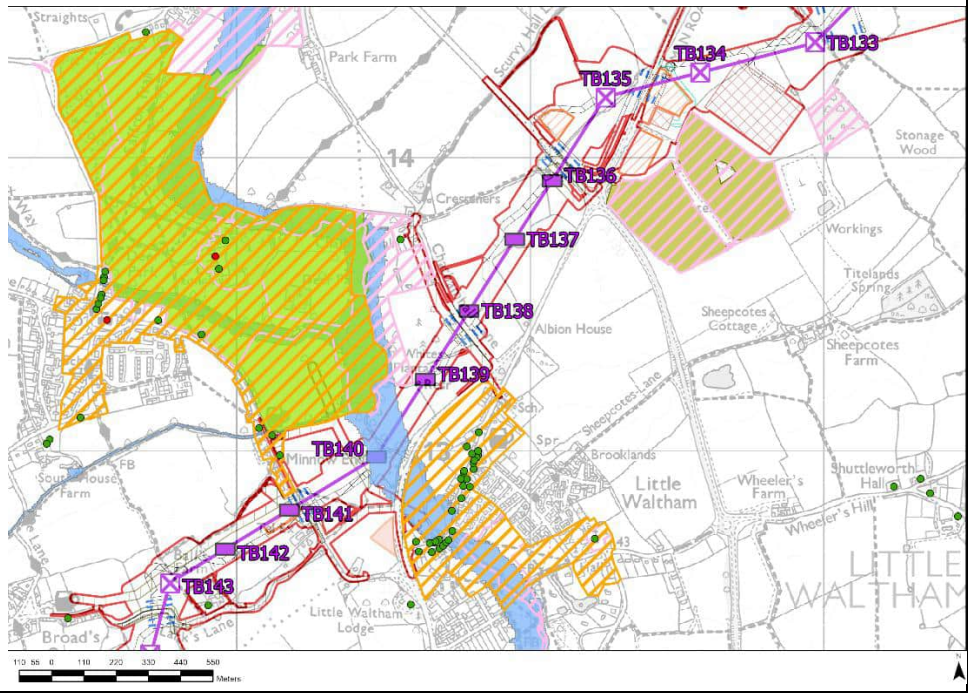

1.2 Environmental Implications of Change

1.2.1 We have reviewed the proposed change set out in the consultation information leaflet and its likely environmental implications against the preliminary assessment reported in the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 statutory consultation. We have undertaken this review against each of the technical topics covered by the PEIR, with respect to this location within the Project, including: agriculture and soils; air quality; ecology and biodiversity; contaminated land, geology and hydrogeology; health and wellbeing; historic environment; hydrology, land drainage and flood risk; landscape and visual; noise and vibration; socio-economics, recreation and tourism; and traffic and transport. We have applied the same methodologies and principles set out in the PEIR based on the information available and recognising that the Project is the subject of ongoing consultation and environmental surveys.

1.2.2 For information on the environmental implications of a change following our review, National Grid has produced an 'Environmental Implications of Change document' (EIC), like this one, with location reference to the specific area where the proposed change is located.

1.2.3 The table below outlines the environmental implications of a change which is proposed as a result of feedback received during statutory consultation in 2024. The information provided here is proportionate and appropriate information on the environmental implications when looked at both in local context and in the context of the project as a whole.

Environmental Topic	**Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR**
Agriculture and Soils	Indicative mapping shows similar 'Provisional Agricultural Land Classification' grading and soil types across as per the design presented at statutory consultation. There would be no change to the type or significance of agriculture and soil effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Air Quality	There would be no change to the type or significance of air quality effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Ecology and Biodiversity	The proposed change would move the alignment further away from Langley's Deer Park Local Wildlife Site. In addition, greater vegetation clearance would be needed for the proposed low height towers. However, with appropriate mitigation, there would be no change to the type or significance of ecology and biodiversity effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Contaminated Land, Geology and Hydrogeology	There would be no change to the type or significance of contaminated land, geology and hydrogeology effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

Environmental Topic	Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR
Health and Wellbeing	There would be no change to the type or significance of health and wellbeing effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Historic Environment	The main designated heritage assets that would be affected by the Project are the grade I listed Langleys House and its associated Grade II registered park and garden, the conservation areas of Great Waltham (which encompasses most of Langleys registered park and garden) and Little Waltham. Within the settlements of Great Waltham and Little Waltham there are a number of Grade II listed buildings and in Great Waltham there are two Grade II* listed buildings and the Grade I listed Church of St Mary and St Lawrence. Adjacent to Little Waltham Conservation Area there is a scheduled monument 'Settlement site at Ash Tree Corner'. The proposed change would move the alignment further away from the edge of Langley's Grade II registered park and garden when compared to the design presented at statutory consultation. The proposed change would also be further from Grade II listed Chatham Hall and Great Waltham Conservation Area but slightly closer to Little Waltham Conservation Area. Following feedback from Historic England and others during statutory consultation, modifications to the design in this area have been considered and a design using low height pylons is assessed to reduce adverse impacts on the designated heritage assets in this area. The low height pylons would remove views of pylons or reduce the proportion of the pylon that could be seen from locations within both Conservation Areas and, within Langleys registered park and garden (refer to the visualisations at Annex A). While the pylons would still cause an adverse impact through change to the setting for the closest edges of the Conservation Areas, registered park and garden and some listed buildings the overall scale of adverse impacts would be reduced. The low height pylons would significantly reduce the visibility of the pylons from views from the back of Langleys House (refer to the visualisations at Annex A). Therefore, the impacts to Langleys House would be significantly reduced in comparison with the design presented at statutory consultation. Overall, there would be a reduction in the significance of historic environment effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation. This is considered to be 'less than substantial harm' in the context of Policy EN1. Any harm has and will continue to be considered in the context of Policy EN1 and the wider public benefits that the proposals will bring.

Environmental Topic	Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR
Hydrology, Land Drainage and Flood Risk	There would be no change to the type or significance of hydrology, land drainage and flood risk effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Landscape and Visual	The proposed change would move the alignment further away from Chatham Hall Bungalow but moves the alignment closer to Albion House when compared to the design presented at statutory consultation. The proposed change would also alter some pylon locations, most notably bringing a pylon into closer proximity to Windmill House on Chelmsford Road. The reduction in height of the pylons would be beneficial in more distant views, such as those from within, and to the west of, Langley's Registered Park and Garden, from the wider footpath network (including the Saffron Trail and Essex Way), and from the settlements at Great Waltham and Little Waltham, including the Conservation Areas. The lower height would result in the tops of the pylons being less visible on the skyline and more fully screened than standard height pylons. Screening at this location is provided by existing intervening mature trees, including those on the edge of the deer park and the Registered Park and Garden, and west of Little Waltham. In relation to closer views, the benefit resulting from the reduction in height would be balanced out by the wider, heavier (in terms of steelwork) and more squat appearance of the lower height pylons. Furthermore, due to changes in location of the pylons, some would be closer to receptors. This would affect visual receptors in the local community (including people living along Chelmsford Road in Minnow End), and those using the Public Rights of Way (PRoW) and road networks (refer to the visualisations at Annex A). The closest visual receptors are unlikely to experience a benefit, and the impact is likely to remain the same or slightly greater due to the heavier and wider nature of the low height structures, and in some cases, increased proximity. More distant visual receptors will experience a benefit with the tops of the lower height pylons being less visible in views where trees, topography and intervening buildings provide screening. In terms of landscape, effects on landscape character are likely to be similar due to the introduction of 400 kV steel lattice pylons into the shallow valley area between Little Waltham and Great Waltham. Overall, whilst there are some benefits and disbenefits, there would be no change to the type or significance of landscape and visual effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Noise and Vibration	There would be no change to the type or significance of noise and vibration effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

Environmental Topic	Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR
Socio-economics, Recreation and Tourism	The proposed change would result in the reduction in height of pylons which have less effect in relation to perceived visual amenity, however, there would be no change to the type or significance of socio-economics, recreation and tourism effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Traffic and Transport	There would be no change to the type or significance of traffic and transport effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

1.3 Conclusion

1.3.1 The proposed change would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the PEIR (National Grid, 2024) which was published for statutory consultation. The PEIR can be viewed here.

1.3.2 If the proposed change is taken forwards, the baseline information (and environmental surveys) and assessment associated with this change would be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES).

Annex A - Visualisations

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Annex A - Visualisations - Langleys

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Norwich to Tilbury
Viewpoint HE7: Langleys

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Norwich to Tilbury
Viewpoint HE7: Langleys

Photowireline showing standard height pylons on alignment for targeted consultation

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Viewpoint HE7: Langleys

Photowireline showing low height pylons on alignment for targeted consultation

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Annex A - Visualisations - Walthams

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Norwich to Tilbury
Viewpoint HE16: Great Waltham

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Viewpoint HE16: Great Waltham

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Field of view (cylindrical projection): 90° (horizontal) x 27° (vertical)
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Camera: NIKON D750
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Camera height: 1.5 m (above AOD)

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Photography Time: 13:17

Norwich to Tilbury
Viewpoint HE16: Great Waltham

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OS reference: 570200E 212863N
AOD: 38.8 m
Direction of view: 239°
Nearest structure: 0.1 km

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Camera: NIKON D750
Lens: 50mm Fixed Focal Length
Camera height: 1.5 m (above AOD)

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Viewpoint HE16: Great Waltham

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OS reference: 570200E 212863N
AOD: 38.8 m
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Viewpoint HE16: Great Waltham

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Annex A - Visualisations - Langleys Park Great Waltham

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OS reference: 569703E 213997N
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Direction of view: 86°
Nearest structure: 1.0 km

Field of view (cylindrical projection): 90° (horizontal) x 27° (vertical)
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Lens: 50mm Fixed Focal Length
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Viewpoint 6.18: Langleys Park Great Waltham

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OS reference: 569703E 213997N
AOD: 44.2 m
Direction of view: 86°
Nearest structure: 1.0 km

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Camera: NIKON D750
Lens: 50mm Fixed Focal Length
Camera height: 1.5 m (above AOD)

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Visualisation as presented at PEIR.
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Viewpoint 6.18: Langleys Park Great Waltham

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Norwich to Tilbury

Viewpoint 6.18: Langleys Park Great Waltham

Photowire - Landscape Institute Type 4. Design presented in the PEIR.

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Norwich to Tilbury

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Annex A - Visualisations - Little Waltham

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Norwich to Tilbury
Viewpoint 6.13: Little Waltham

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AOD: 45 m
Direction of view: 221°
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Norwich to Tilbury
Viewpoint 6.13: Little Waltham

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Viewpoint 6.13: Little Waltham

Appendix K23.9

Leaflets - Essex 9

The Great Grid Upgrade

Norwich to Tilbury

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Targeted consultation

Location reference: Essex 9

12 noon 25 February 2025 to 11:59 pm 27 March 2025

Norwich to Tilbury is a proposal for a new electricity transmission connection. It will play an important part in connecting low carbon, more affordable electricity from where it is generated to where it is needed.

From 10 April to 26 July 2024, we held a statutory consultation, inviting local communities, land owners and stakeholders to share their views on our proposals.

Since then, we have been carefully reviewing all the feedback we received as well as considering the findings of ongoing assessment work.

This has identified some places where there is potential to make a change to the proposals we published at our statutory consultation. These potential changes do not materially change the effects or fundamentally change the project as a whole.

We intend to submit our application for development consent in summer 2025. Before we make any decisions, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes near to them.

We are consulting on the proposed changes described below and overleaf between 25 February and 27 March 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing to move a temporary construction laydown area from a site close to Ivy Barns Lane to the north-west of the location proposed at our statutory consultation in summer 2024, in response to feedback from nearby residents.

You can see both the locations presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024 and our proposed changes on the maps overleaf.

The proposed change would not move the construction laydown area any closer to residential properties. The nearest residential property would benefit from improved screening from trees and vegetation as a result of the proposed change in location of the construction laydown area, compared to the screening available at the location proposed at statutory consultation in summer 2024.

What are the environmental implications of the proposed changes?

The proposed changes would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 consultation.

For more information on environmental implications, please see the Environmental Implications of Change document (EIC) with location reference **Essex 9**, where information on the environmental implications of the proposed change is provided and can be read alongside the information contained here.
If you received this leaflet in the post, the EIC will be enclosed. Alternatively, you can view the EIC on our website at **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**.

If, following careful consideration of any feedback we receive, we decide to make this change, baseline information, environmental surveys and assessments associated with this change will be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES) that will form part of our application for a Development Consent Order (DCO).

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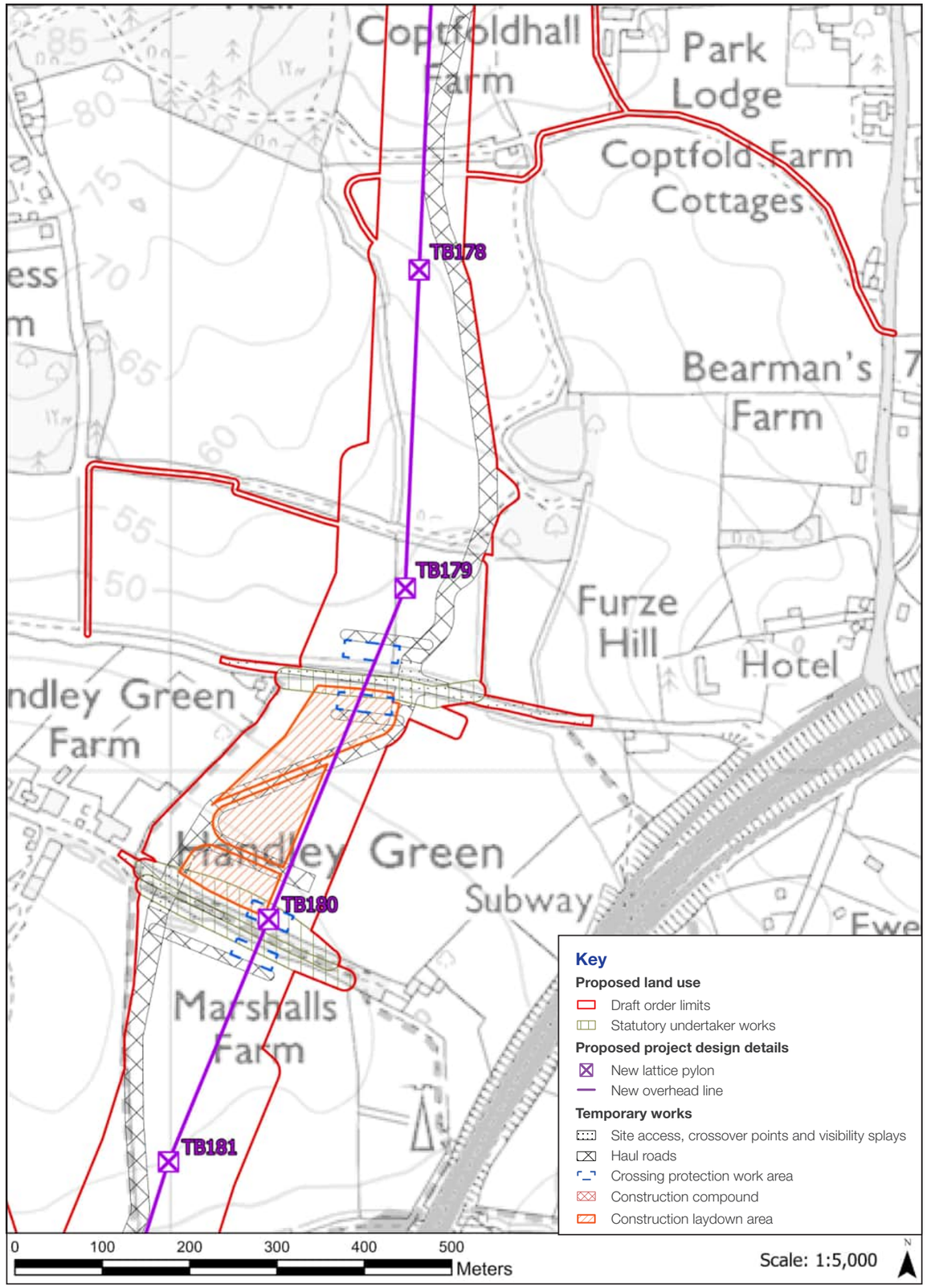

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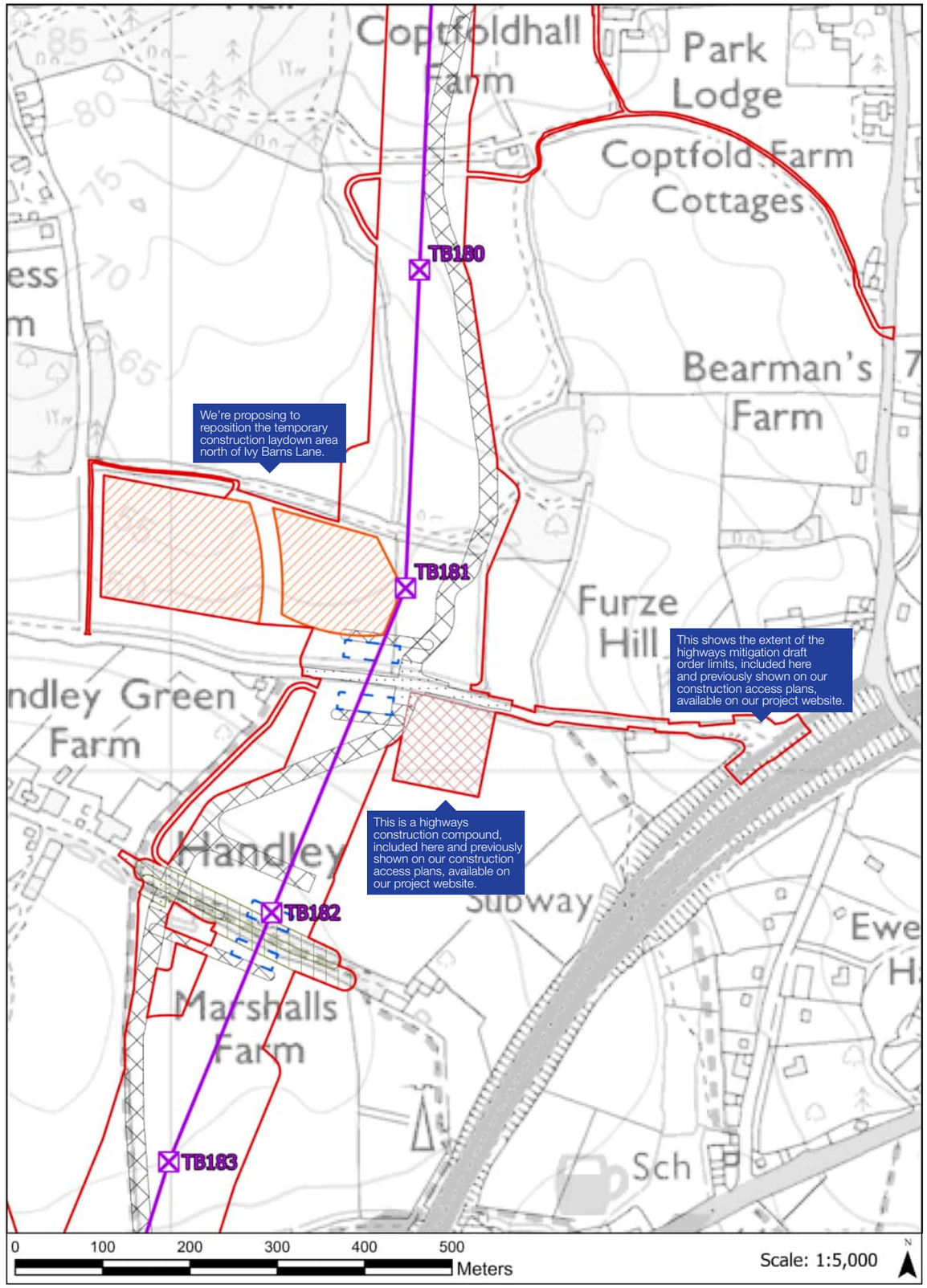

Have your say

Our targeted consultation on the proposed changes at this location runs from **12 noon 25 February 2025 to 27 March 2025.**

If you have any comments regarding this proposed change, you can provide feedback by using the location reference **Essex 9**.

Feedback can be provided by:

Completing an online feedback questionnaire: **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**

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Attend a webinar

To give people an opportunity to ask the project team questions, we are holding three webinars via Microsoft Teams.

The webinars which will cover this change will be held on **17 March 2025 at 6:00 pm and 18 March 2025 at 12 noon**.

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- Essex – 17 March 2025 at 6:00 pm
- Essex and Thurrock – 18 March 2025 at 12 noon
- Thurrock – 18 March 2025 at 6:00 pm

You can also call us on: **0800 915 2497** if you have any questions.

Visit our website

nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury where you will find maps, consultation materials, and our online feedback questionnaire.

The deadline for feedback is 11:59 pm on 27 March 2025.

Contact us

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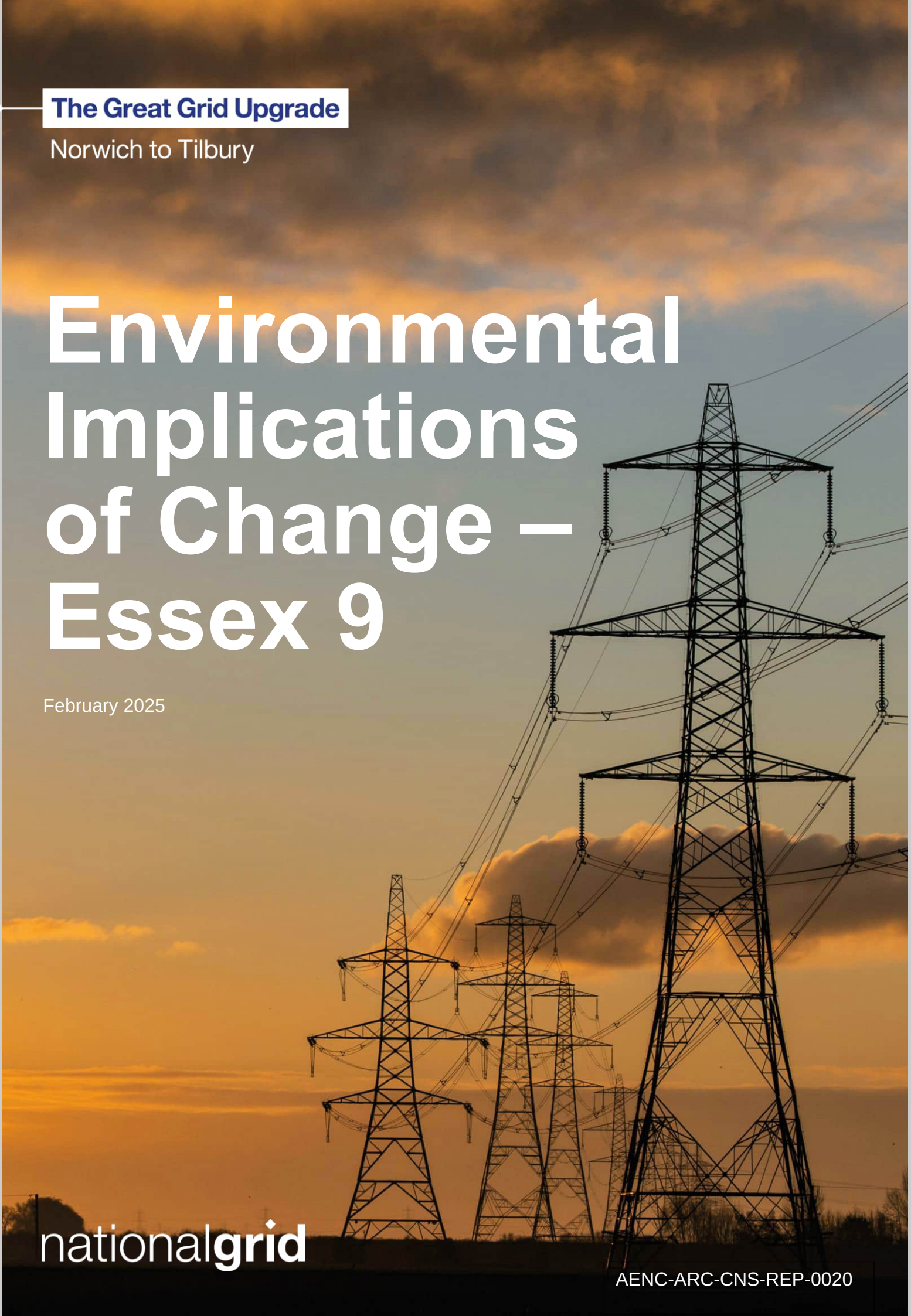
Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 9

February 2025



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1. Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 9

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 This Environmental Implications of Change document should be read alongside the associated Essex 9 targeted consultation leaflet.

1.1.2 Image 1 presents the Statutory Consultation design and the proposed change together with key environmental constraints using the key below.

Key

Proposed land use

- Draft order limits
- Statutory undertaker works

Proposed project design details

- New lattice pylon
- Gantry
- Full line tension gantry
- New overhead line
- Lower height pylons
- New underground cable swathe centreline
- New underground cable construction swathe
- Cable sealing end compound boundary
- Substation boundary
- New underground cable trenchless crossing
- Permanent access route including visibility splays (substations and cable sealing end compound)
- Existing DNO lattice pylon - to be dismantled
- Existing DNO lattice pylon - to be modified
- Existing DNO overhead line - to be dismantled
- Existing DNO overhead line - to be modified

Temporary works

- Site access, crossover points and visibility splays
- Haul roads
- Haul roads for underground cable, cable sealing end compounds and substation works
- Crossing protection work area
- Construction compound
- Construction laydown area

Environmental constraints

Listed Buildings

- Grade I
- Grade II
- Grade II*
- Local Nature Reserves
- Scheduled Monument
- Conservation Areas
- Special Areas of Conservation
- Sites of Special Scientific Interest
- County / Local Wildlife Sites
- Registered Parks and Gardens
- Countryside and Rights of Way Open Access Land
- National Landscape (an Area of Outstanding Natural beauty)
- Ancient Woodland
- Flood Zone 3

Image 1: Proposed Change

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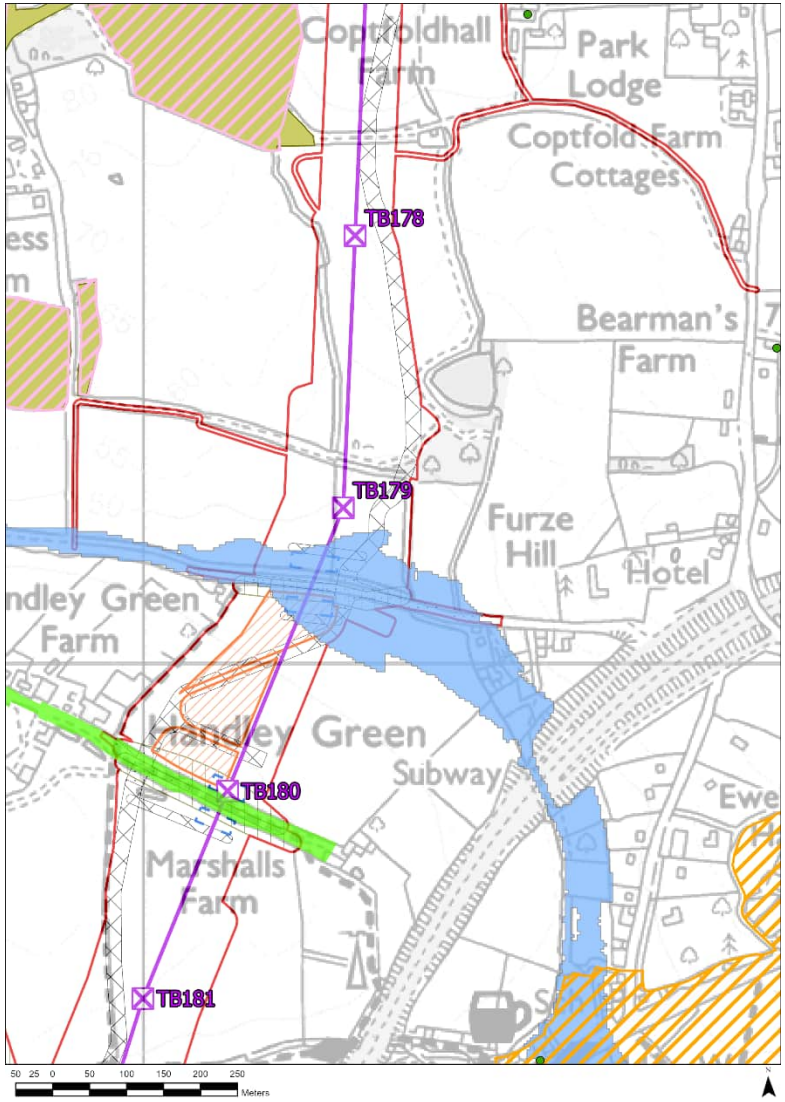

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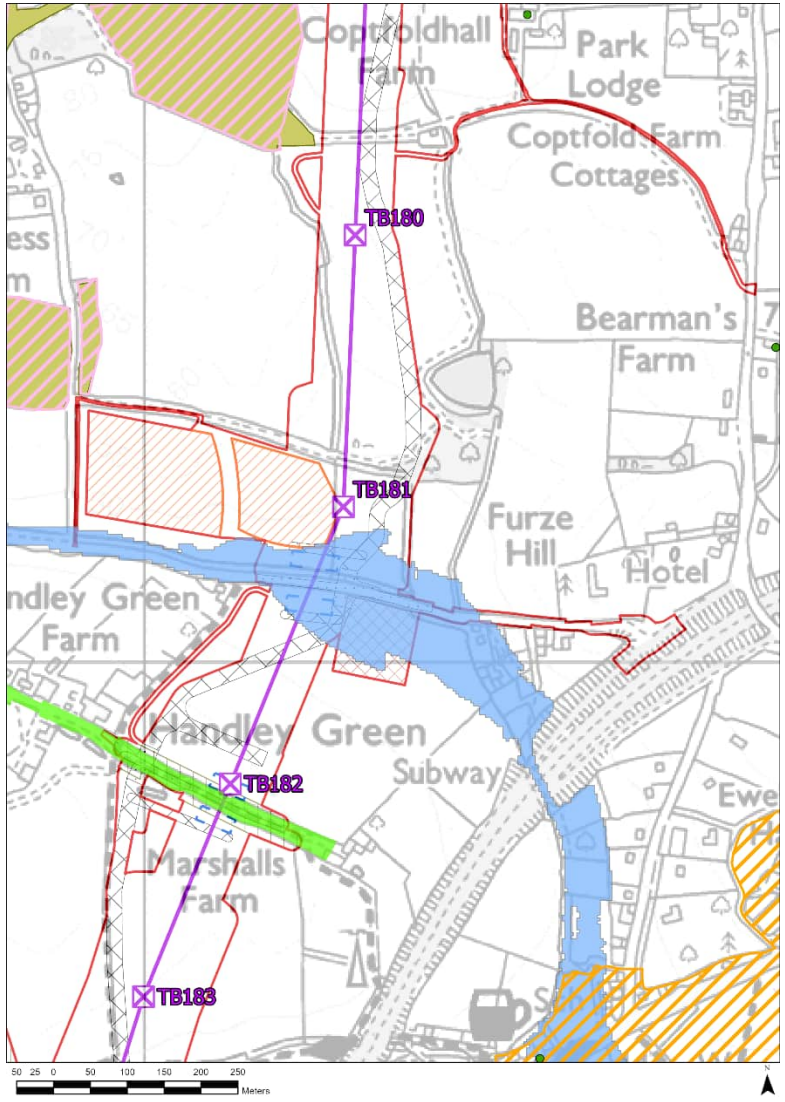

1.2 Environmental Implications of Change

1.2.1 We have reviewed the proposed change set out in the consultation information leaflet and its likely environmental implications against the preliminary assessment reported in the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 statutory consultation. We have undertaken this review against each of the technical topics covered by the PEIR, with respect to this location within the Project, including: agriculture and soils; air quality; ecology and biodiversity; contaminated land, geology and hydrogeology; health and wellbeing; historic environment; hydrology, land drainage and flood risk; landscape and visual; noise and vibration; socio-economics, recreation and tourism; and traffic and transport. We have applied the same methodologies and principles set out in the PEIR based on the information available and recognising that the Project is the subject of ongoing consultation and environmental surveys.

1.2.2 For information on the environmental implications of a change following our review, National Grid has produced an 'Environmental Implications of Change document' (EIC), like this one, with location reference to the specific area where the proposed change is located.

1.2.3 The table below outlines the environmental implications of a change which is proposed as a result of feedback received during statutory consultation in 2024. The information provided here is proportionate and appropriate information on the environmental implications when looked at both in local context and in the context of the project as a whole.

Environmental Topic	**Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR**
Agriculture and Soils	Indicative mapping shows similar 'Provisional Agricultural Land Classification' grading and soil types to those identified for the design presented at statutory consultation. There would be no change to the type or significance of agriculture and soil effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation
Air Quality	There would be no change to the type or significance of air quality effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Ecology and Biodiversity	The northwest corner of the proposed change would be in close proximity to an ancient woodland block which is also a local wildlife site (James' Spring Local Wildlife Site). The proposed laydown area also would be in close proximity to a mature band of trees to the north. However, there would be no change to the type or significance of ecology and biodiversity effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Contaminated Land, Geology and Hydrogeology	There would be no change to the type or significance of contaminated land, geology and hydrogeology effects as a result of the proposed

Environmental Topic	Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR
	change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Health and Wellbeing	There would be no change to the type or significance of health and wellbeing effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Historic Environment	There would be no change to the type or significance of historic environment effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design presented at statutory consultation.
Hydrology, Land Drainage and Flood Risk	The proposed change partially moves the proposed laydown areas out of Flood Zone 3 compared to the design presented at statutory consultation. However, there would be no change to the type or overall significance of hydrology, land drainage and flood risk effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Landscape and Visual	The proposed change would move the proposed laydown areas further from property at Handley Green, reducing visual effects during construction, but closer to properties at Ivy Barn. Overall, there would be no change to the type or significance of landscape and visual effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Noise and Vibration	There would be no change to the type or significance of noise and vibration effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Socio-economics, Recreation and Tourism	There would be no change to the type or significance of socio-economic recreation and tourism effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Traffic and Transport	There would be no change to the type or significance of traffic and transport effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

1.3 Conclusion

1.3.1 The proposed change would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the PEIR (National Grid, 2024) which was published for statutory consultation. The PEIR can be viewed here.

1.3.2 If the proposed change is taken forwards, the baseline information (and environmental surveys) and assessment associated with this change would be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES).

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Appendix K23.10

Leaflets - Essex 10

The Great Grid Upgrade

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Targeted consultation

Location reference: Essex 10

12 noon 25 February 2025 to 11:59 pm 27 March 2025

Norwich to Tilbury is a proposal for a new electricity transmission connection. It will play an important part in connecting low carbon, more affordable electricity from where it is generated to where it is needed.

From 10 April to 26 July 2024, we held a statutory consultation, inviting local communities, land owners and stakeholders to share their views on our proposals.

Since then, we have been carefully reviewing all the feedback we received as well as considering the findings of ongoing assessment work.

This has identified some places where there is potential to make a change to the proposals we published at our statutory consultation. These potential changes do not materially change the effects or fundamentally change the project as a whole.

We intend to submit our application for development consent in summer 2025. Before we make any decisions, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes near to them.

We are consulting on the proposed changes described below and overleaf between 25 February and 27 March 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing to take down a section of the existing 132 kV overhead line and replace it with underground cable to allow us to move a line of pylons and a temporary construction compound near Havering's Grove to the west of its previous location. You can see both the alignment presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024 and our proposed changes on the maps overleaf. This would affect the pylons from TB208 to TB211 (previously presented at consultation as TB205 to TB208).

This is in response to consultation feedback which asked us to consider if we could:

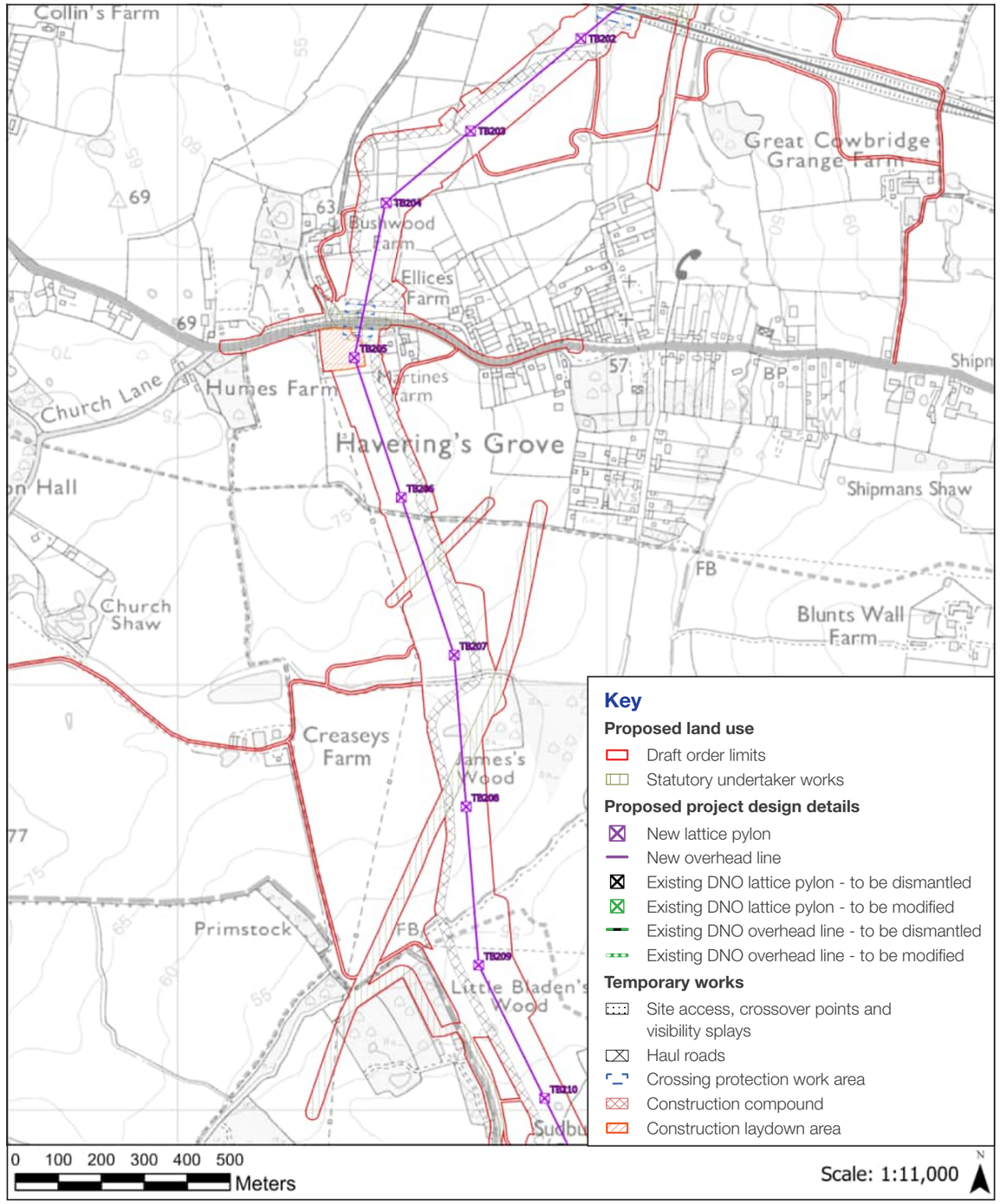
- follow the route of the existing 132 kV overhead line or use underground cables for one of the overhead lines (either the existing 132 kV overhead line or the proposed 400 kV overhead line) to reduce cumulative effects
- increase the distance between residential properties and the proposed pylons and temporary construction compound.

The proposed change would replace approximately 2 km - from north of Bushwood Farm to south of Creasey's Farmhouse - of the existing 132 kV overhead line with underground cable. This would reduce cumulative effects and facilitate the repositioning of the proposed 400 kV overhead line. We are proposing that TB206 would be repositioned to the west as angle pylon TB209 and that the line would turn southeast to reconnect with TB212 (previously TB209).

This proposed change would remove an angle pylon, reduce visual effects on nearby properties, and would also move further away from St James' Wood Local Wildlife Site. It would avoid the need for tree removal around a pond to the west of St James's Wood.

We are also proposing that the temporary construction laydown area is relocated to the west (into the next field) to increase the distance from the nearest residential properties. This compound would be accessed from the same location as previously proposed.

Alignment presented at the 2024 statutory consultation



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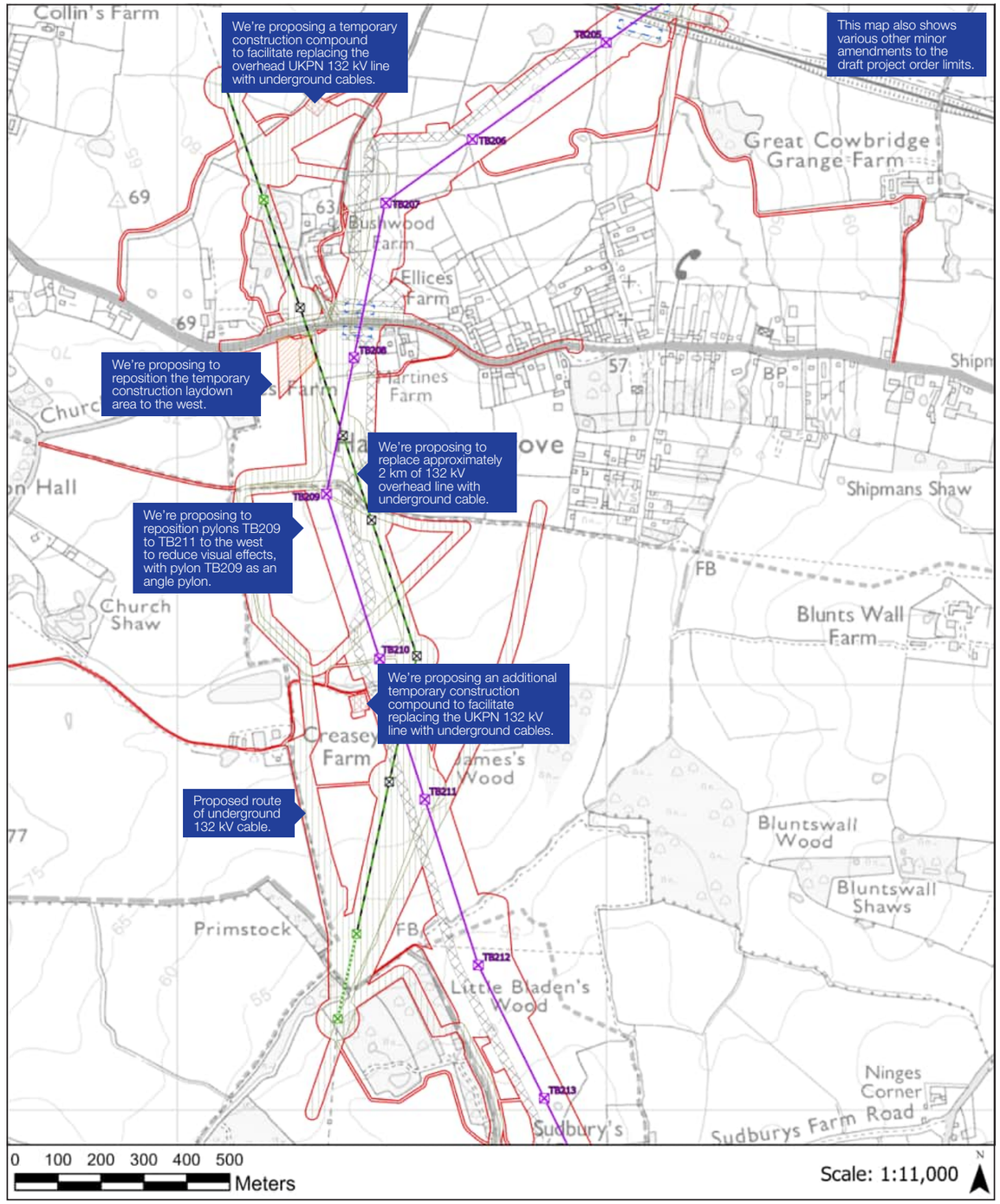

What are the environmental implications of the proposed changes?

The proposed changes would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 consultation. For more information on environmental implications, please see the Environmental Implications of Change document (EIC) with location reference **Essex 10**, where information on the environmental implications of the proposed change is provided and can be read alongside the information contained here.

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Have your say

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Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 10

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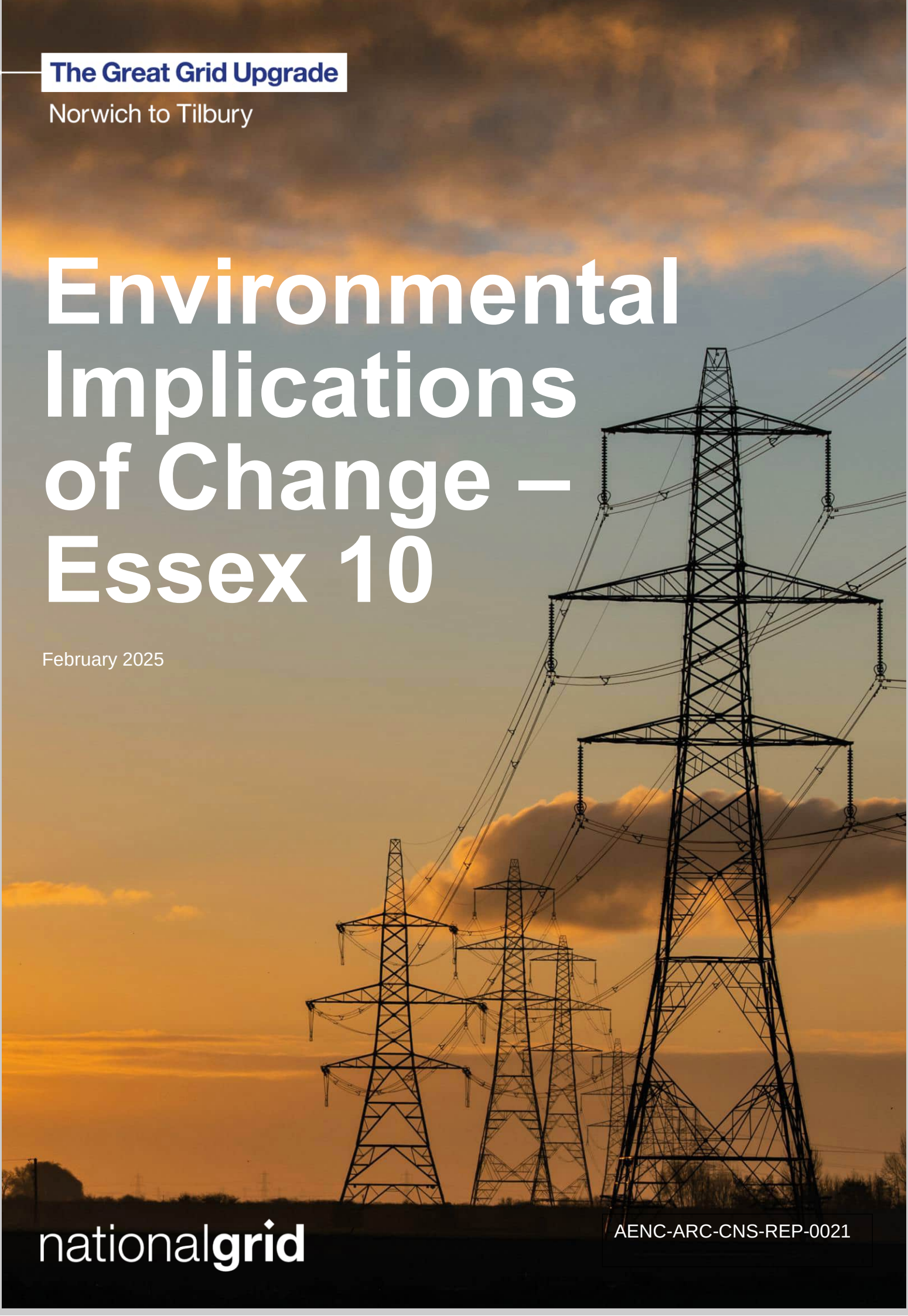

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1. Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 10

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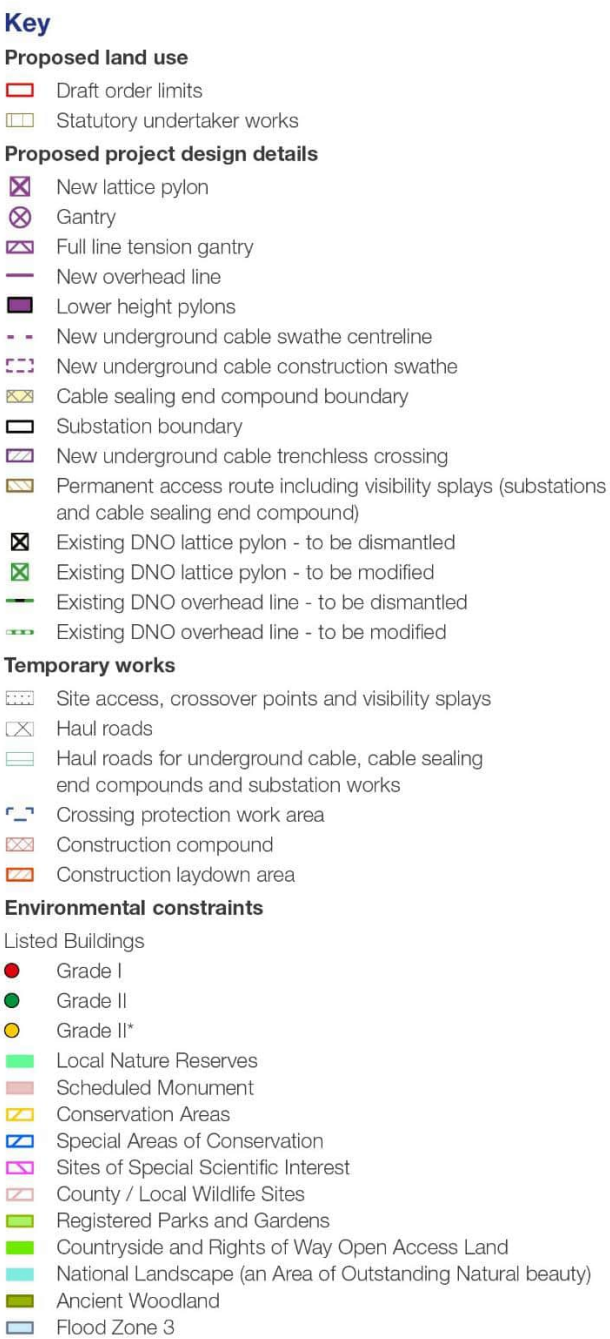

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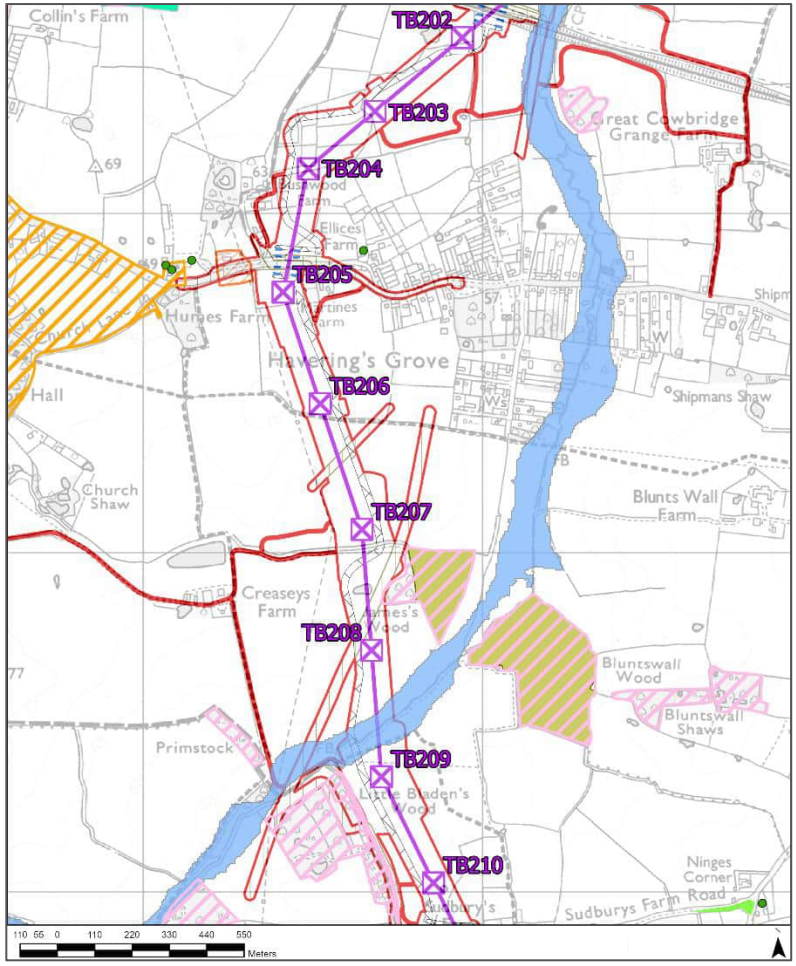

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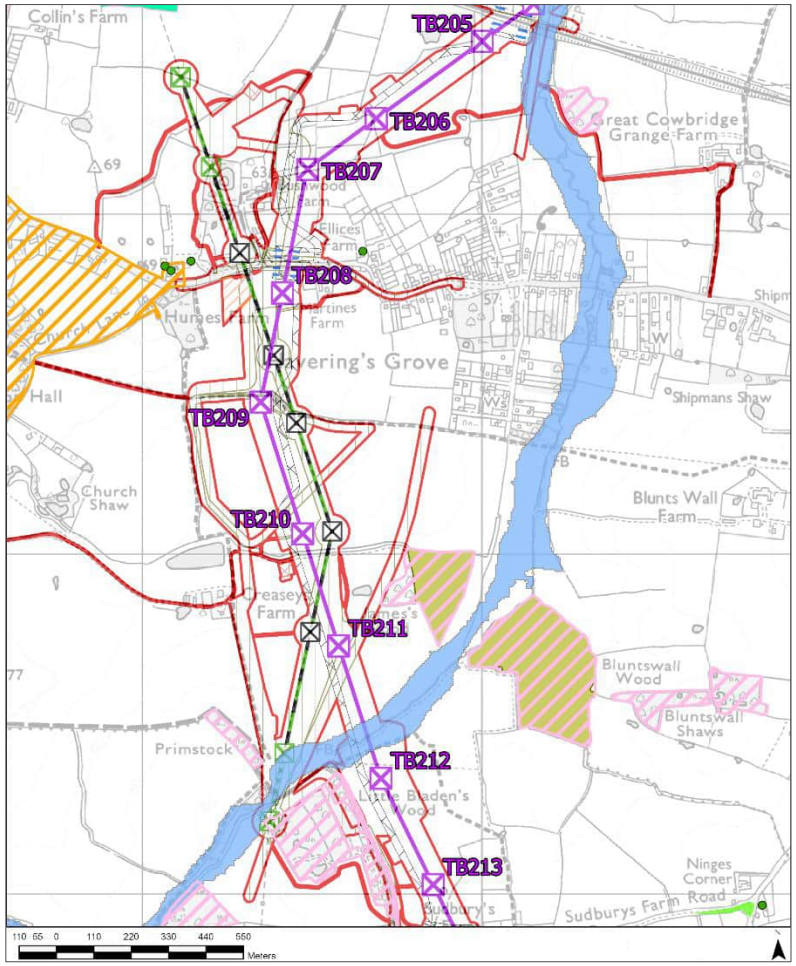

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1.2.3 The table below outlines the environmental implications of a change which is proposed as a result of feedback received during statutory consultation in 2024. The information provided here is proportionate and appropriate information on the environmental implications when looked at both in local context and in the context of the project as a whole.

Environmental Topic	**Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR**
Agriculture and Soils	Indicative mapping shows similar 'Provisional Agricultural Land Classification' grading and soil types to those identified for the design presented at statutory consultation. There would be no change to the type or significance of agriculture and soil effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Air Quality	There would be no change to the type or significance of air quality effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Ecology and Biodiversity	The proposed change moves the alignment further from St James' Wood Local Wildlife Site which is also deciduous woodland, when compared to the design presented at statutory consultation. The proposed alignment change also avoids oversailing a pond and associated trees. The proposed additional underground cabling would have additional ecological effects through the temporary loss of predominantly low value habitats. Overall, there would be no change to the type or significance of ecology and biodiversity effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

Environmental Topic	Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR
Contaminated Land, Geology and Hydrogeology	There would be no change to the type or significance of contaminated land, geology and hydrogeology effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Health and Wellbeing	The proposed undergrounding change would temporarily reduce access to the nearby stables, however, the undergrounding of the existing overhead lines would reduce the visual effects of the existing overhead line on the surrounding village and residential receptors and the associated mental health effects. There would be no change to the type or significance of health and wellbeing effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Historic Environment	The proposed alignment change would be closer to Hutton Village conservation area, and listed buildings within the conservation area. However, the undergrounding of the existing overhead line under the proposed change would reduce the quantity of modern infrastructure in the rural landscape that contributes to Hutton Village conservation area's value in comparison with the design presented at statutory consultation. Any additional undergrounding would have the potential increase effects to buried archaeology. Overall, there would be no change to the type or significance of historic environment effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Hydrology, Land Drainage and Flood Risk	There would be no change to the type or significance of hydrology, and drainage and flood risk effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Landscape and Visual	The proposed change would require one less angle pylon than the design presented at statutory consultation. The proposed change would be closer to residential properties at Creasey's Farmhouse to the west. The proposed change would be further from the settlement of Havering's Grove. The proposed change would introduce construction activity into the farmland / paddocks immediately east of Bushwood Farm, and into the Haverings Grove area. The undergrounding of the existing overhead line would reduce the quantity of infrastructure visible in this area during operation of the Project. This would result in a reduction in the level of effect on visual amenity, though significant effects resulting from the introduction of the Project would still occur. The undergrounding of the existing overhead line would also result in a reduction in predicted effects on landscape when compared to the design presented at statutory

Environmental Topic	Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR
	consultation. This is due to a reduction in the likely magnitude of change to landscape character. Overall, there would be no change to the type or significance of landscape and visual effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Noise and Vibration	There would be no change to the type or significance of noise and vibration effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Socio-economics, Recreation and Tourism	The proposed undergrounding of the existing overhead line would result in temporary construction effects at Woodland School Hutton Manor and Oakleigh Farm Horse Livery Stables. However, the undergrounding of the existing overhead line could improve visual amenity in the area during operation. There would be no change to the type or significance of socio-economic, recreation and tourism effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Traffic and Transport	There would be no change to the type or significance of traffic and transport effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

1.3 Conclusion

1.3.1 The proposed change would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the PEIR (National Grid, 2024) which was published for statutory consultation. The PEIR can be viewed here.

1.3.2 If the proposed change is taken forwards, the baseline information (and environmental surveys) and assessment associated with this change would be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES).

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Leaflets - Essex 11

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Targeted consultation

Location reference: Essex 11

12 noon 25 February 2025 to 11:59 pm 27 March 2025

Norwich to Tilbury is a proposal for a new electricity transmission connection. It will play an important part in connecting low carbon, more affordable electricity from where it is generated to where it is needed.

From 10 April to 26 July 2024, we held a statutory consultation, inviting local communities, land owners and stakeholders to share their views on our proposals.

Since then, we have been carefully reviewing all the feedback we received as well as considering the findings of ongoing assessment work.

This has identified some places where there is potential to make a change to the proposals we published at our statutory consultation. These potential changes do not materially change the effects or fundamentally change the project as a whole.

We intend to submit our application for development consent in summer 2025. Before we make any decisions, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes near to them.

We are consulting on the proposed changes described below and overleaf between 25 February and 27 March 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing to move a line of pylons near Little Burstead to the east of the alignment proposed at statutory consultation in 2024, and also make some adjustments to the haul road and access arrangements. This would affect the alignment of the pylons TB217 to TB220 (previously presented at statutory consultation as TB214 to TB217). You can see both the alignment presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024 and our currently proposed changes on the maps overleaf.

This is in response to consultation feedback which asked us to consider if we could:

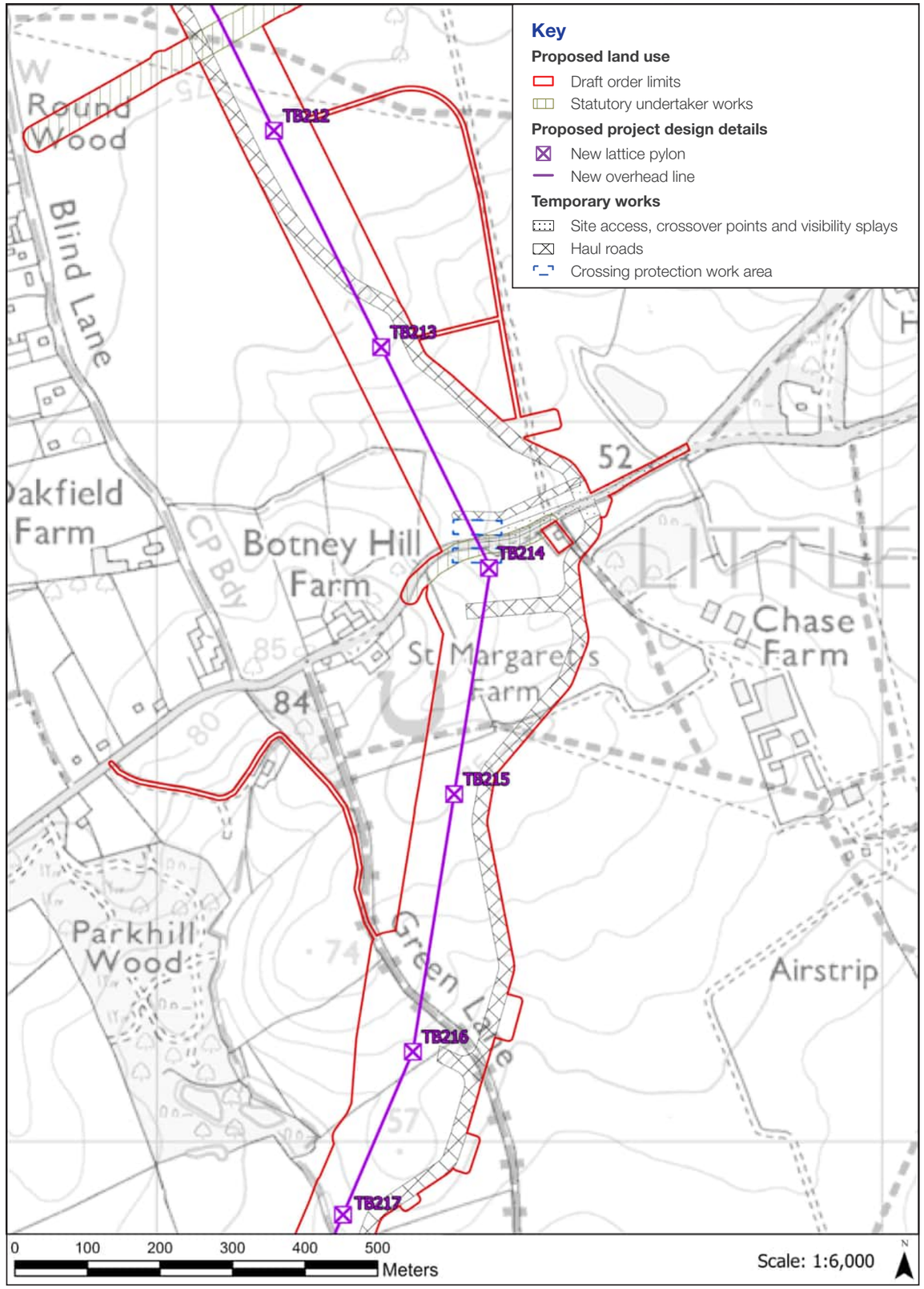
- modify temporary and permanent access arrangements to the north and south of Botney Hill Road
- reposition pylons further from residential properties at Botney Hill.

We are proposing to reposition TB218 (previously TB215), so it is sited on lower ground to the south east as an angle pylon. Pylon TB217 (previously TB214) is now proposed to be changed from an angle pylon to a suspension pylon. The line would then continue from TB218 in a straight line to the southwest. This change has been proposed to reduce the impact on residential properties at Botney Hill.

We are proposing to reposition the haul road to the north east to follow field boundaries. We are also proposing to move the haul road crossing bellmouth to the existing farm access to the south of Botney Hill Road. This access is already used by HGVs. To allow HGVs to cross Botney Hill Road without needing to travel along it, the temporary bellmouth access to the north would also be repositioned directly opposite the existing farm access.

We are also proposing other minor amendments to the order limits.

Alignment presented at the 2024 statutory consultation



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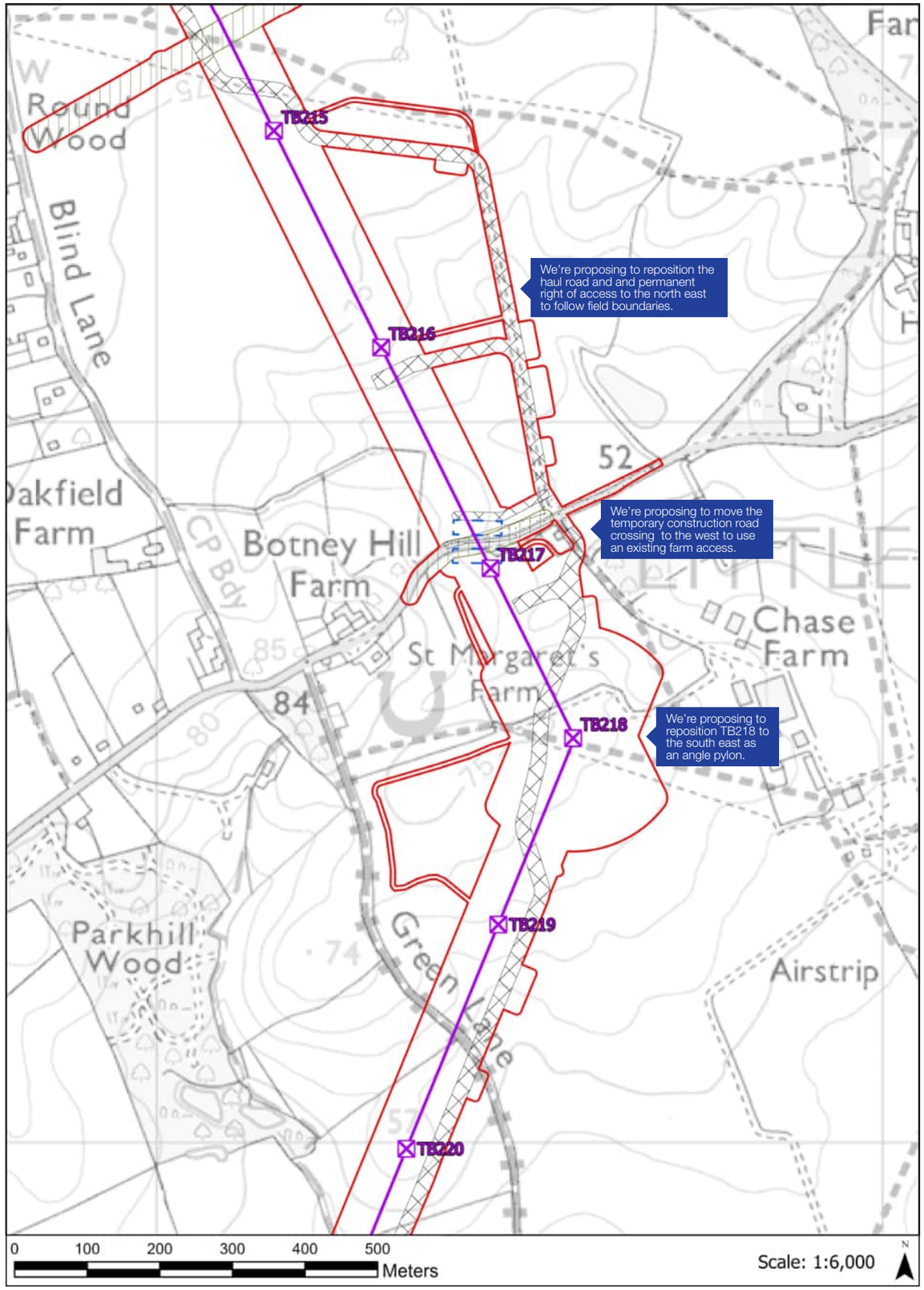

What are the environmental implications of the proposed changes?

The proposed changes would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 consultation. For more information on environmental implications, please see the Environmental Implications of Change document with location reference **Essex 11**, where information on the environmental implications of the proposed change is provided and can be read alongside the information contained here.

If you received this leaflet in the post, the EIC will be enclosed. Alternatively, you can view the EIC on our website at **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**.

If, following careful consideration of any feedback we receive, we decide to make this change, baseline information, environmental surveys and assessments associated with this change will be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES) that will form part of our application for a Development Consent Order (DCO).

Have your say

Our targeted consultation on the proposed changes at this location runs from **12 noon 25 February 2025 to 27 March 2025.**

If you have any comments regarding this proposed change, you can provide feedback by using the location reference **Essex 11**.

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Attend a webinar

To give people an opportunity to ask the project team questions, we are holding three webinars via Microsoft Teams.

The webinars which will cover this change will be held on **17 March 2025 at 6:00 pm and 18 March 2025 at 12 noon**.

You can sign up for a webinar on our website: **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**

- Essex – 17 March 2025 at 6:00 pm
- Essex and Thurrock – 18 March 2025 at 12 noon
- Thurrock – 18 March 2025 at 6:00 pm

You can also call us on: **0800 915 2497** if you have any questions.

Visit our website

nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury where you will find maps, consultation materials, and our online feedback questionnaire.

The deadline for feedback is 11:59 pm on 27 March 2025.

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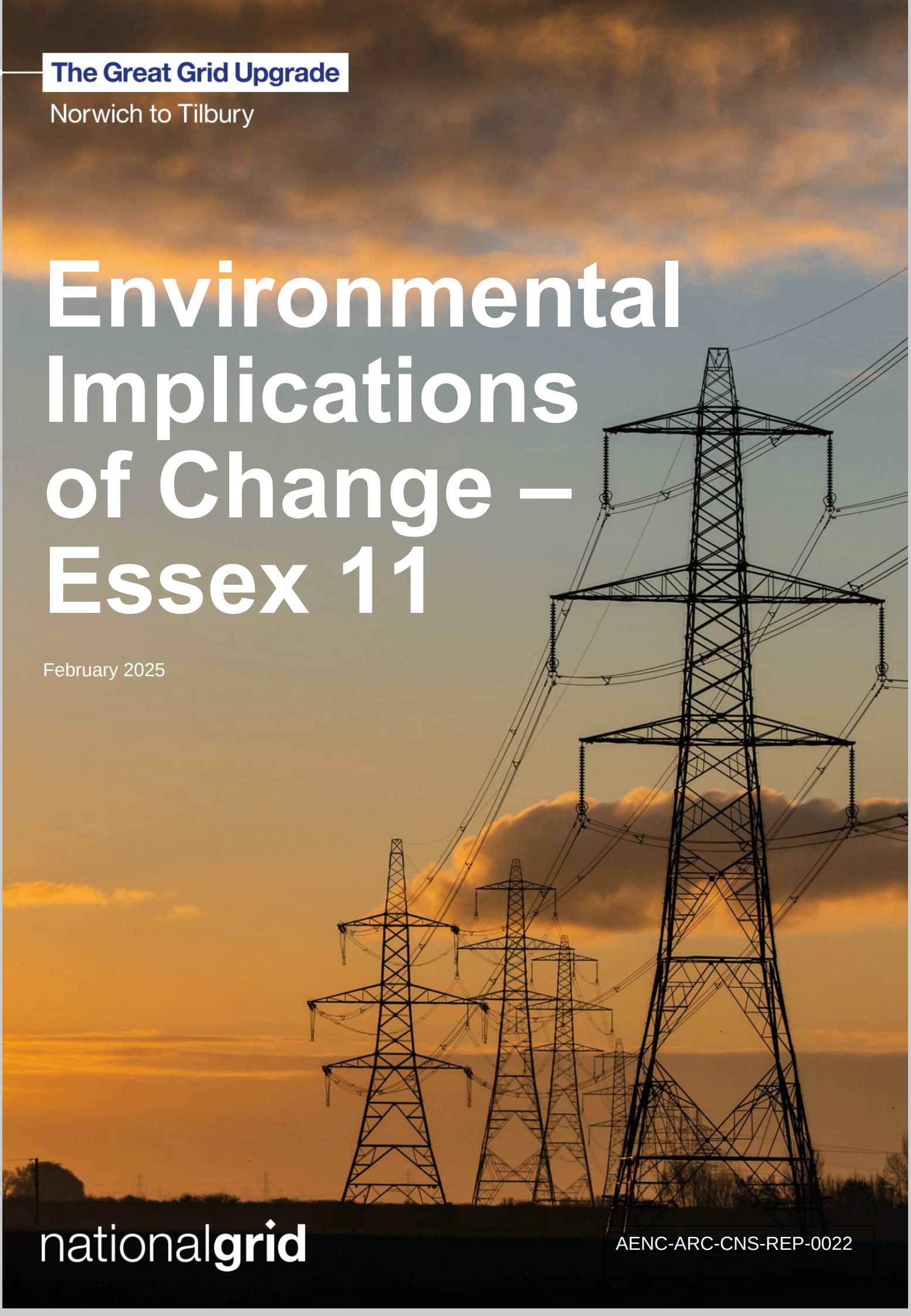

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1. Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 11

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 This Environmental Implications of Change document should be read alongside the associated Essex 11 targeted consultation leaflet.

1.1.2 Image 1 presents the Statutory Consultation design and the proposed change together with key environmental constraints using the key below.

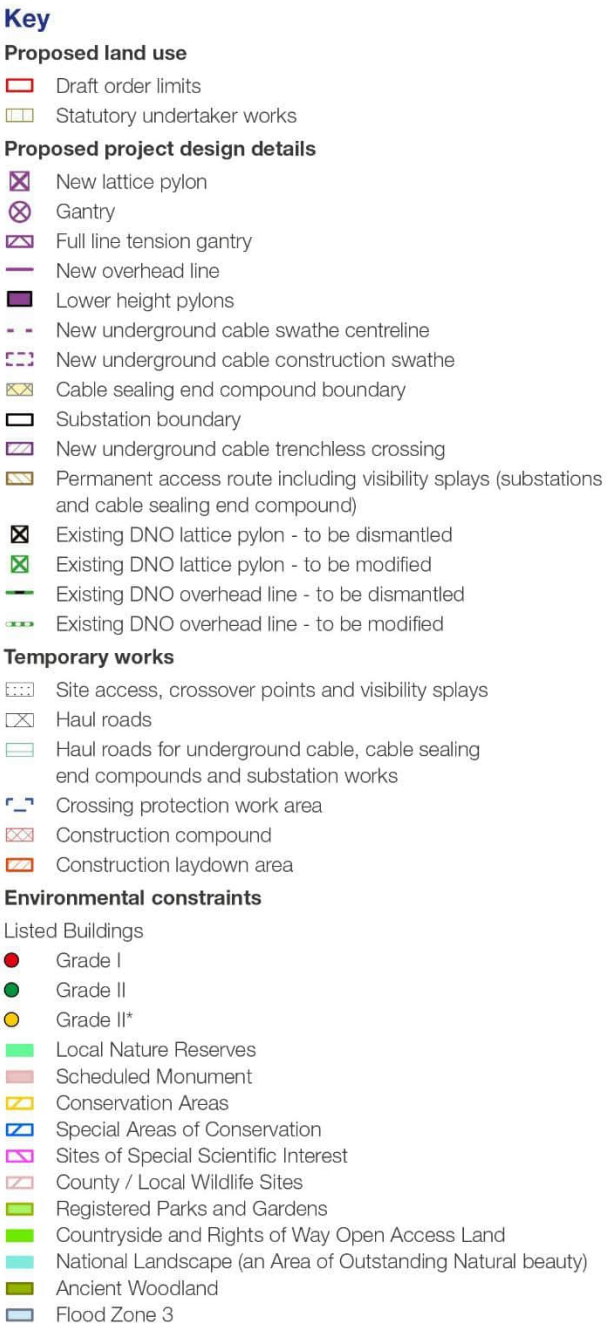

Image 1: Proposed Change

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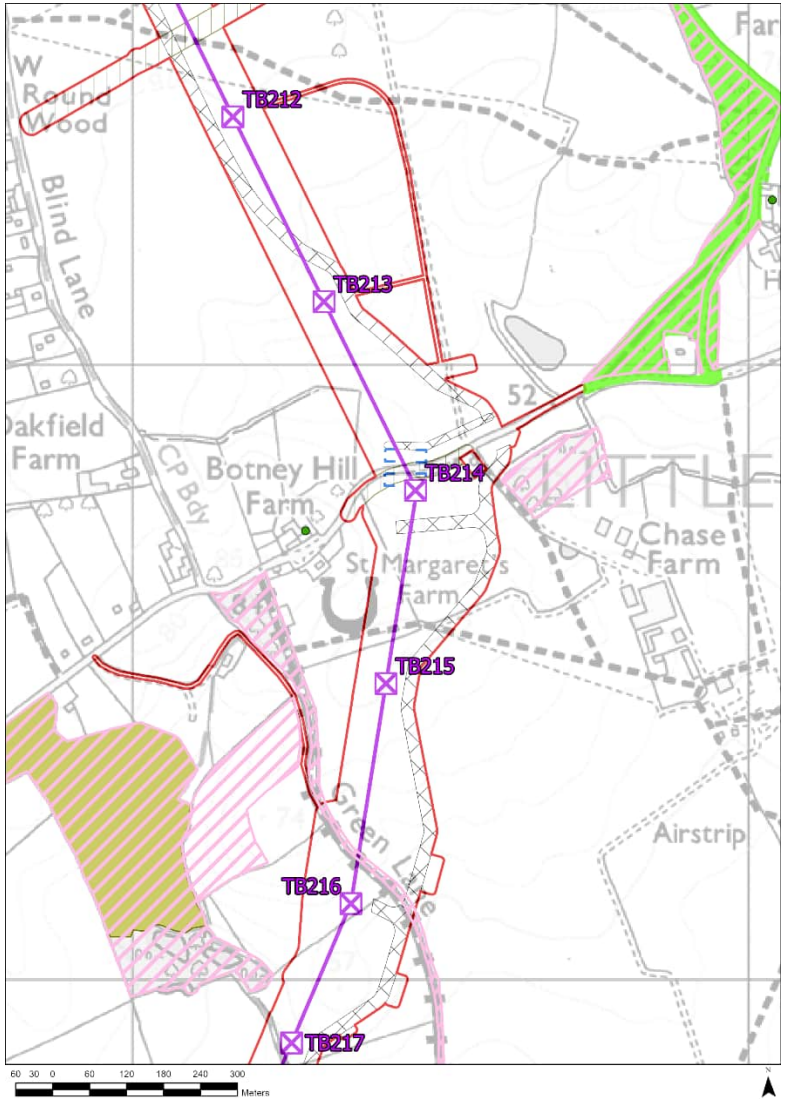

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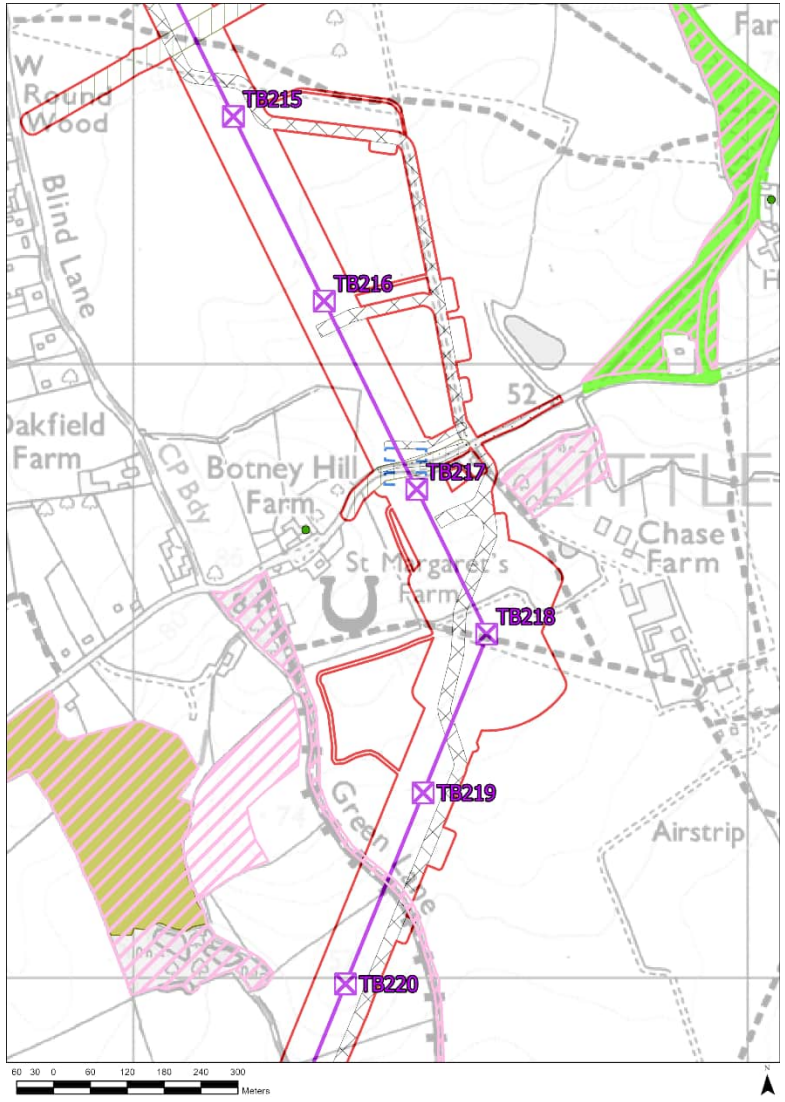

1.2 Environmental Implications of Change

1.2.1 We have reviewed the proposed change set out in the consultation information leaflet and its likely environmental implications against the preliminary assessment reported in the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 statutory consultation. We have undertaken this review against each of the technical topics covered by the PEIR, with respect to this location within the Project, including: agriculture and soils; air quality; ecology and biodiversity; contaminated land, geology and hydrogeology; health and wellbeing; historic environment; hydrology, land drainage and flood risk; landscape and visual; noise and vibration; socio-economics, recreation and tourism; and traffic and transport. We have applied the same methodologies and principles set out in the PEIR based on the information available and recognising that the Project is the subject of ongoing consultation and environmental surveys.

1.2.2 For information on the environmental implications of a change following our review, National Grid has produced an 'Environmental Implications of Change document' (EIC), like this one, with location reference to the specific area where the proposed change is located.

1.2.3 The table below outlines the environmental implications of a change which is proposed as a result of feedback received during statutory consultation in 2024. The information provided here is proportionate and appropriate information on the environmental implications when looked at both in local context and in the context of the project as a whole.

Environmental Topic	**Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR**
Agriculture and Soils	The use of existing farm tracks for this proposed change would reduce the need for the construction of new access routes and therefore reduce the total land take required. Indicative mapping shows similar 'Provisional Agricultural Land Classification' grading and soil types as identified for the design presented at statutory consultation. There would be no change to the type or significance of agriculture and soil effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Air Quality	There would be no change to the type or significance of air quality effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Ecology and Biodiversity	The proposed change would move the bellmouths on Botney Hill closer to a band of woodland edging Botney Hill Road. There would be no change to the type or significance of ecology and biodiversity effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Contaminated Land, Geology and Hydrogeology	There would be no change to the type or significance of contaminated land, geology and hydrogeology effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

Environmental Topic	Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR
Health and Wellbeing	There would be no change to the type or significance of health and wellbeing effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Historic Environment	The use of existing farm tracks under this proposed change would have the potential to reduce effects on archaeology. There would be no change to the type or significance of historic environment effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Hydrology, Land Drainage and Flood Risk	The use of existing farm access tracks under the proposed change in place of constructing new tracks would reduce effects on the land drainage regime. There would be no change to the type or significance of hydrology, land drainage and flood risk effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Landscape and Visual	The proposed change would have the same number of angle pylons and would move the alignment slightly further away from local community receptors (including at Dunton Wayletts and those located along and accessed off Lower Dunton Road) than the design presented at statutory consultation. However, there would be no change to the type or significance of landscape and visual effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Noise and Vibration	There would be no change to the type or significance of noise and vibration effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Socio-economics, Recreation and Tourism	The proposed change would move the alignment further from Eden Garden (wedding venue). However, the proposed change would also cross golf courses which are not proposed to be crossed under the design presented at statutory consultation. There would be no change to the type or significance of socio-economics, recreation and tourism effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Traffic and Transport	There would be no change to the type or significance of traffic and transport effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

1.3 Conclusion

1.3.1 The proposed change would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the PEIR (National Grid, 2024) which was published for statutory consultation. The PEIR can be viewed here.

1.3.2 If the proposed change is taken forwards, the baseline information (and environmental surveys) and assessment associated with this change would be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES).

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Leaflets - Essex 12

The Great Grid Upgrade

Norwich to Tilbury

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Targeted consultation

Location reference: Essex 12

12 noon 25 February 2025 to 11:59 pm 27 March 2025

Norwich to Tilbury is a proposal for a new electricity transmission connection. It will play an important part in connecting low carbon, more affordable electricity from where it is generated to where it is needed.

From 10 April to 26 July 2024, we held a statutory consultation, inviting local communities, land owners and stakeholders to share their views on our proposals.

Since then, we have been carefully reviewing all the feedback we received as well as considering the findings of ongoing assessment work.

This has identified some places where there is potential to make a change to the proposals we published at our statutory consultation. These potential changes do not materially change the effects or fundamentally change the project as a whole.

We intend to submit our application for development consent in summer 2025. Before we make any decisions, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes near to them.

We are consulting on the proposed changes described below and overleaf between 25 February and 27 March 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

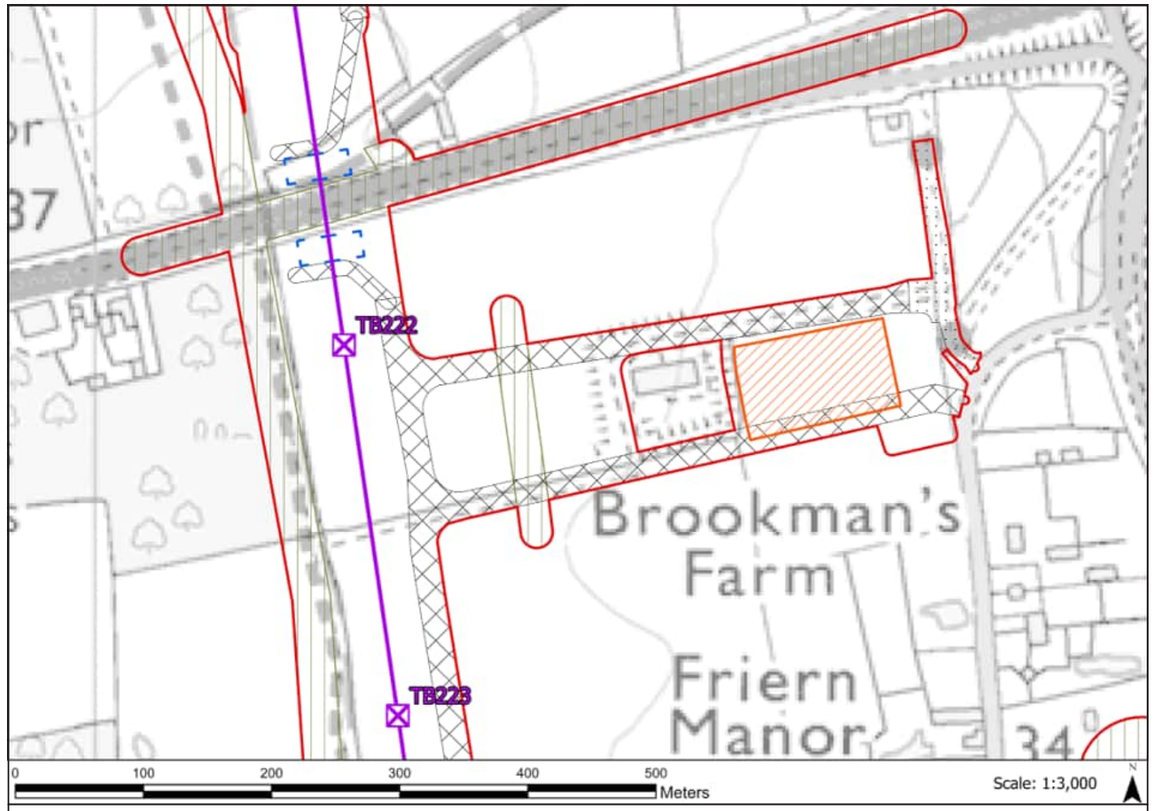
We are proposing to reposition the temporary construction access and laydown area location near Dunton Wayletts to the south of its location presented at statutory consultation in summer 2024. You can see both the design presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024 and our currently proposed change on the maps overleaf. The proposed change would affect access to pylons TB225 and TB226 (previously presented at statutory consultation in summer 2024 as TB222 and TB223).

This change is being proposed following feedback which asked us to consider that future built development could be in the construction stage at the same time as the project and could therefore conflict with the proposed temporary access and compound arrangements presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024.

The proposed change involves relocating the construction access road to TB226 (previously TB223), annotated on the map overleaf, and a new construction laydown area for this pylon. The proposed laydown area would be temporary, and the land would be returned to its original use after construction.

As there is some uncertainty over the timing of the built development, we propose to include both access arrangements. Our preferred access route remains the northern access at TB225 presented at the 2024 statutory consultation. This proposed access arrangement would be used in the event that the land used for the northern access at TB225 is being developed and cannot be used.

Alignment presented at the 2024 statutory consultation



Key

Proposed land use

- Draft order limits
- Statutory undertaker works

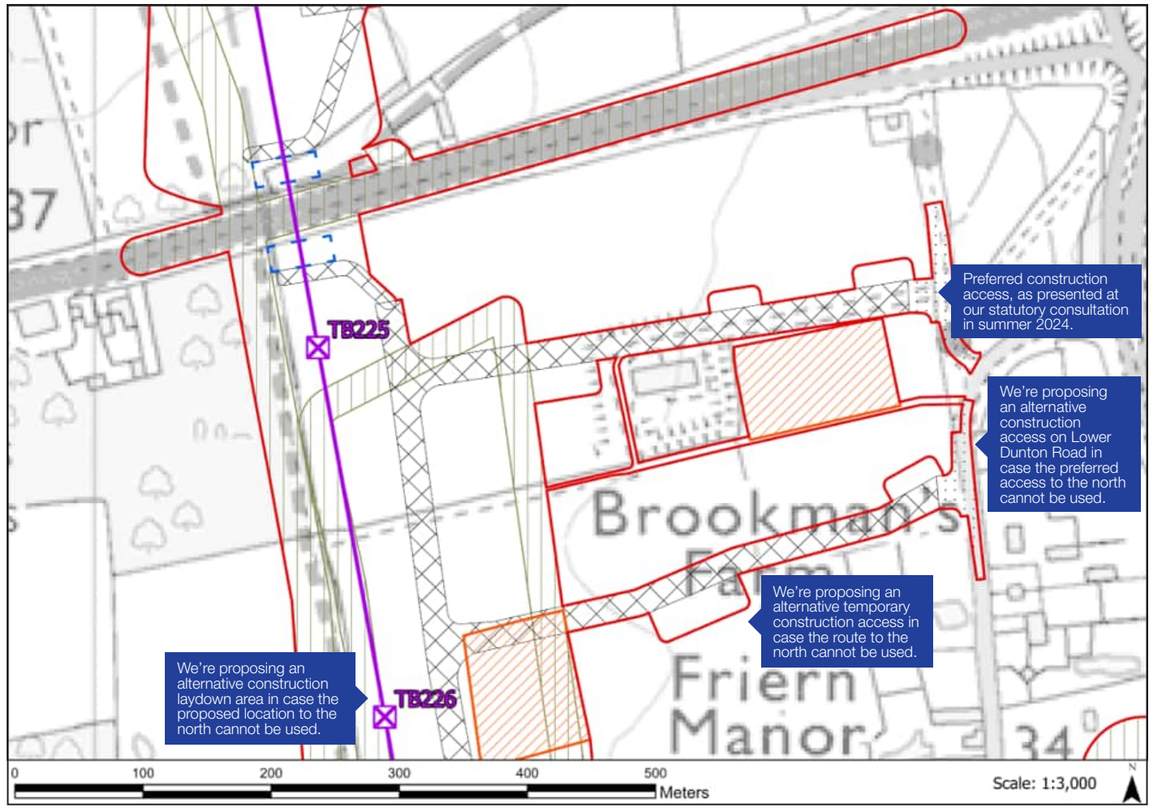
Proposed project design details

- New lattice pylon
- New overhead line

Temporary works

- Site access, crossover points and visibility splays
- Haul roads
- Crossing protection work area
- Construction laydown area

Area of proposed change February 2025



What are the environmental implications of the proposed changes?

The proposed changes would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 consultation.

For more information on environmental effects, please see the Environmental Implications of Change document (EIC) with location reference **Essex 12**, where information on the environmental implications of the proposed change is provided and can be read alongside the information contained here.

If you received this leaflet in the post, the EIC will be enclosed. Alternatively, you can view the EIC on our website at **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**.

If, following careful consideration of any feedback we receive, we decide to make this change, baseline information, environmental surveys and assessments associated with this change will be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES) that will form part of our application for a Development Consent Order (DCO).

Have your say

Our targeted consultation on the proposed changes at this location runs from **12 noon 25 February 2025 to 27 March 2025.**

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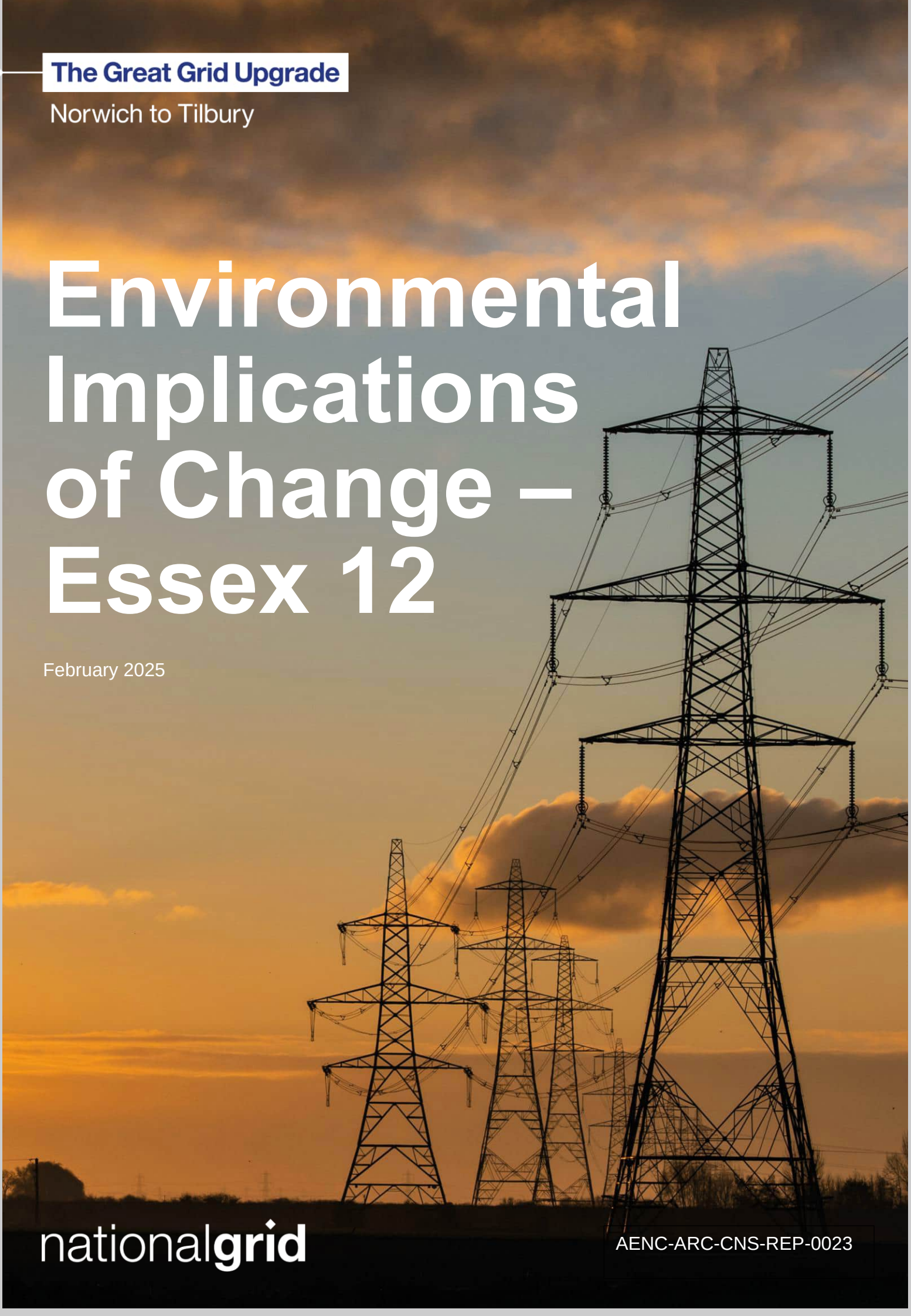

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1. Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 12

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 This Environmental Implications of Change document should be read alongside the associated Essex 12 targeted consultation leaflet.

1.1.2 Image 1 presents the Statutory Consultation design and the proposed change together with key environmental constraints using the key below.

Image 1: Proposed Change

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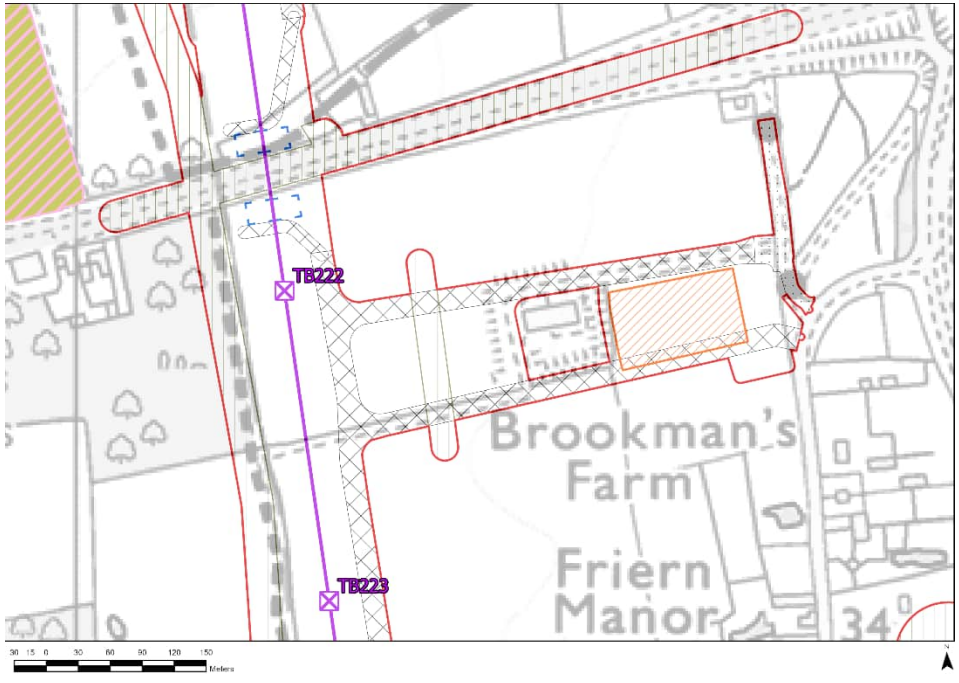	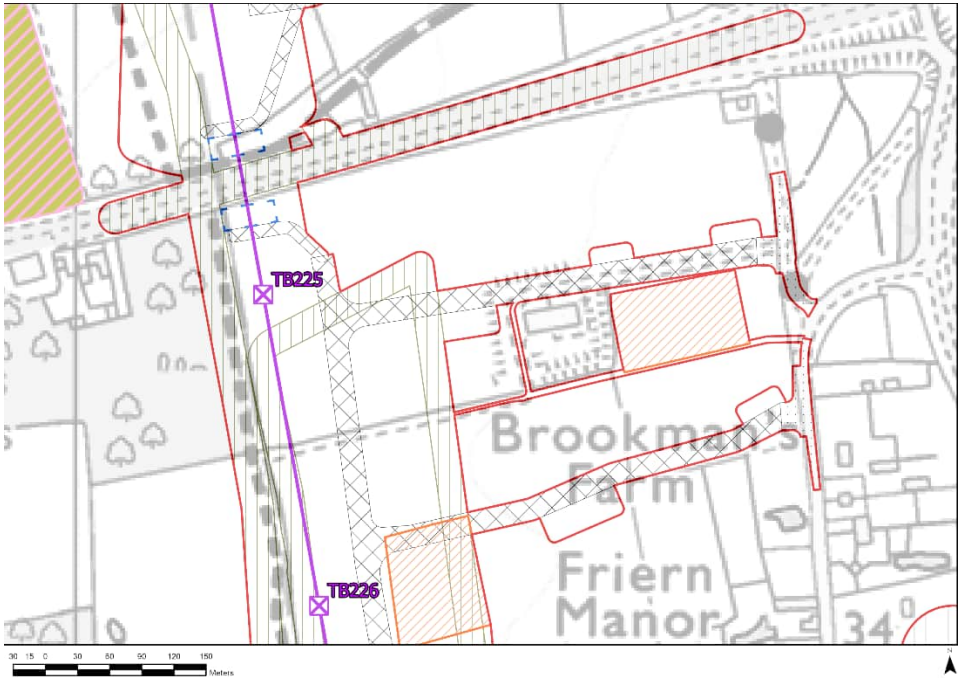

1.2 Environmental Implications of Change

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1.2.2 For information on the environmental implications of a change following our review, National Grid has produced an 'Environmental Implications of Change document' (EIC), like this one, with location reference to the specific area where the proposed change is located. The information provided within this EIC is proportionate and appropriate information on the environmental implications when looked at both in local context and in the context of the Project as a whole.

1.2.3 For this specific area of change, having carried out our preliminary assessment, there would be no change to the type or significance of environmental effects as a result of the proposed change when compared to the design and PEIR presented at the summer 2024 statutory consultation.

1.2.4 If, following this latest round of further targeted consultation, the proposed change is taken forward, baseline information (and environmental surveys) and assessment associated with this change in the context of the proposed development as a whole will be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES) that will form part of our application for a Development Consent Order (DCO).

1.3 Conclusion

1.3.1 The proposed change would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the PEIR (National Grid, 2024) which was published for statutory consultation. The PEIR can be viewed here.

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Since then, we have been carefully reviewing all the feedback we received as well as considering the findings of ongoing assessment work.

This has identified some places where there is potential to make a change to the proposals we published at our statutory consultation. These potential changes do not materially change the effects or fundamentally change the project as a whole.

We intend to submit our application for development consent in summer 2025. Before we make any decisions, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes near to them.

We are consulting on the proposed changes described below and overleaf between 25 February and 27 March 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing to reposition the existing UK Power Networks (UKPN) 132 kV line close to Lower Dunton Road. This 132 kV connection is currently above ground and carried on lattice pylons but, to allow Norwich to Tilbury to come forward, it would need to be moved and placed underground. In our summer 2024 statutory consultation, we presented an underground route for the 132 kV connection. We are now proposing to reposition this underground route to follow more closely follow existing field boundaries on either side of Lower Dunton Road. You can see the alignment present at our statutory consultation in summer 2024 as well as our proposed changes on the maps overleaf.

This change is being proposed following feedback received at our statutory consultation in summer 2024, which asked us to consider the impacts on farming and to take account of housing development proposals.

To facilitate these works, we are also proposing temporary UKPN compounds at each end of the undergrounding route, which would be accessed via Lower Dunton Road. We are also proposing other minor amendments to the order limits.

What are the environmental implications of the proposed changes?

The proposed changes would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 consultation.

For more information on environmental effects, please see the Environmental Implications of Change document with location reference **Essex 13**, where information on the environmental implications of the proposed change is provided and can be read alongside the information contained here.

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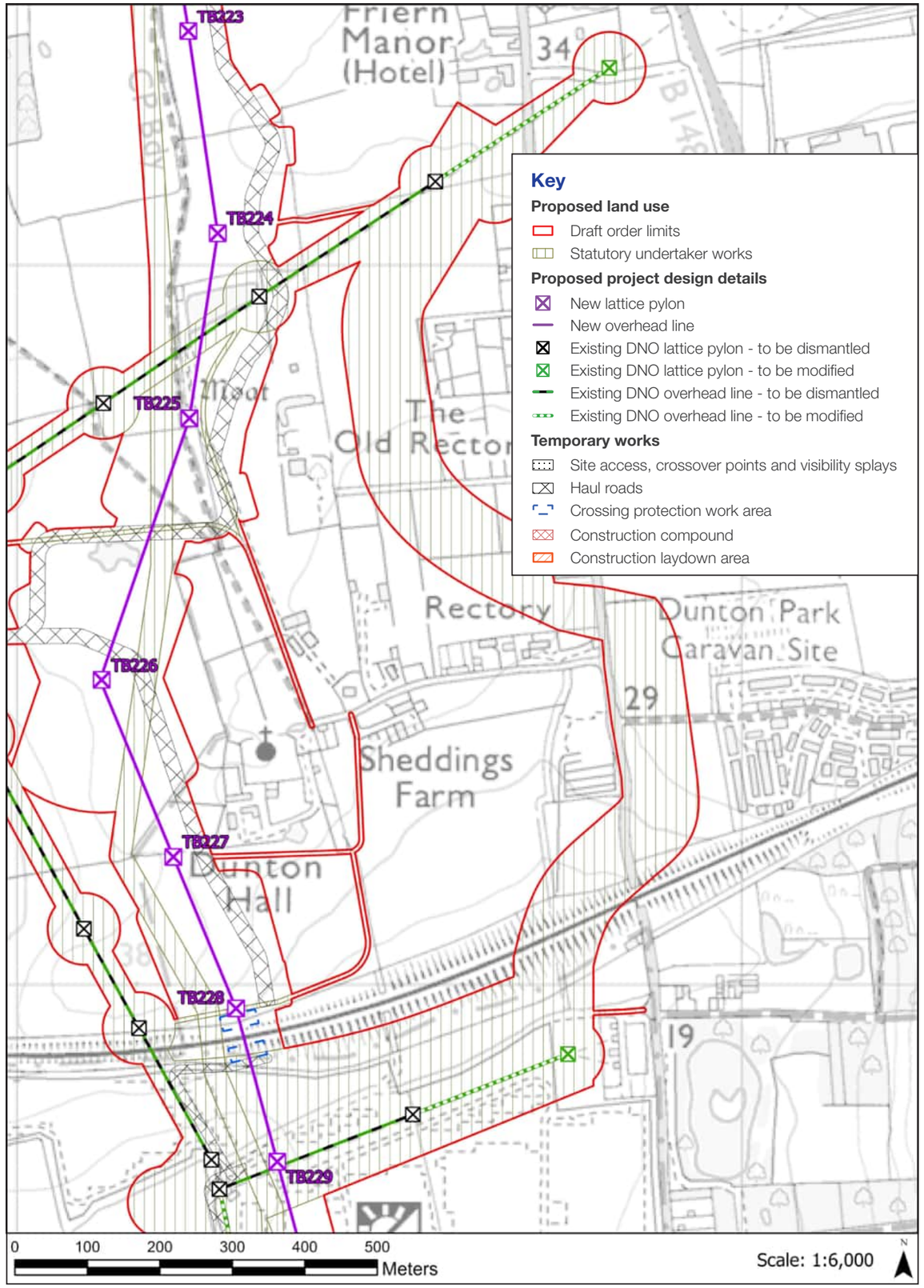

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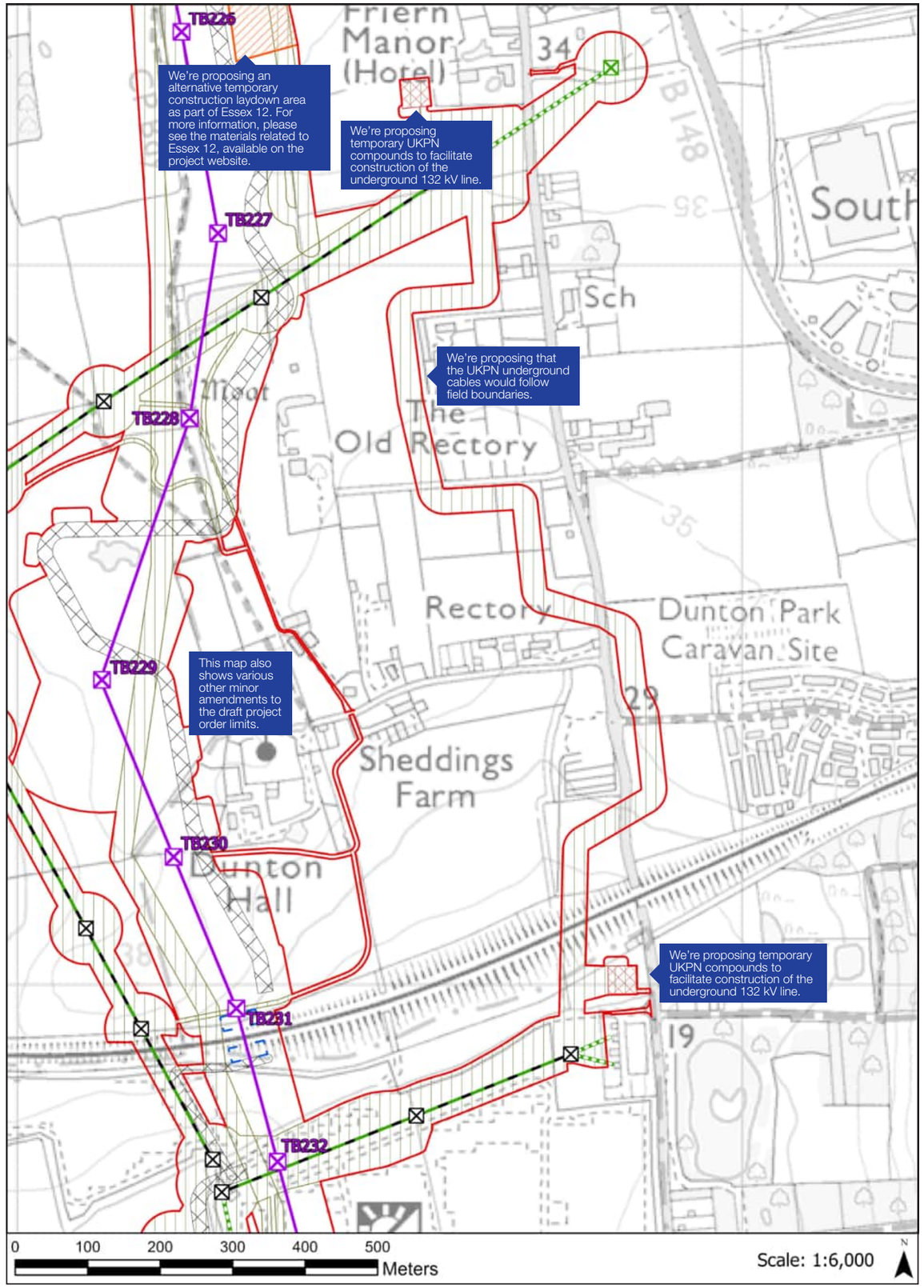

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Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 13

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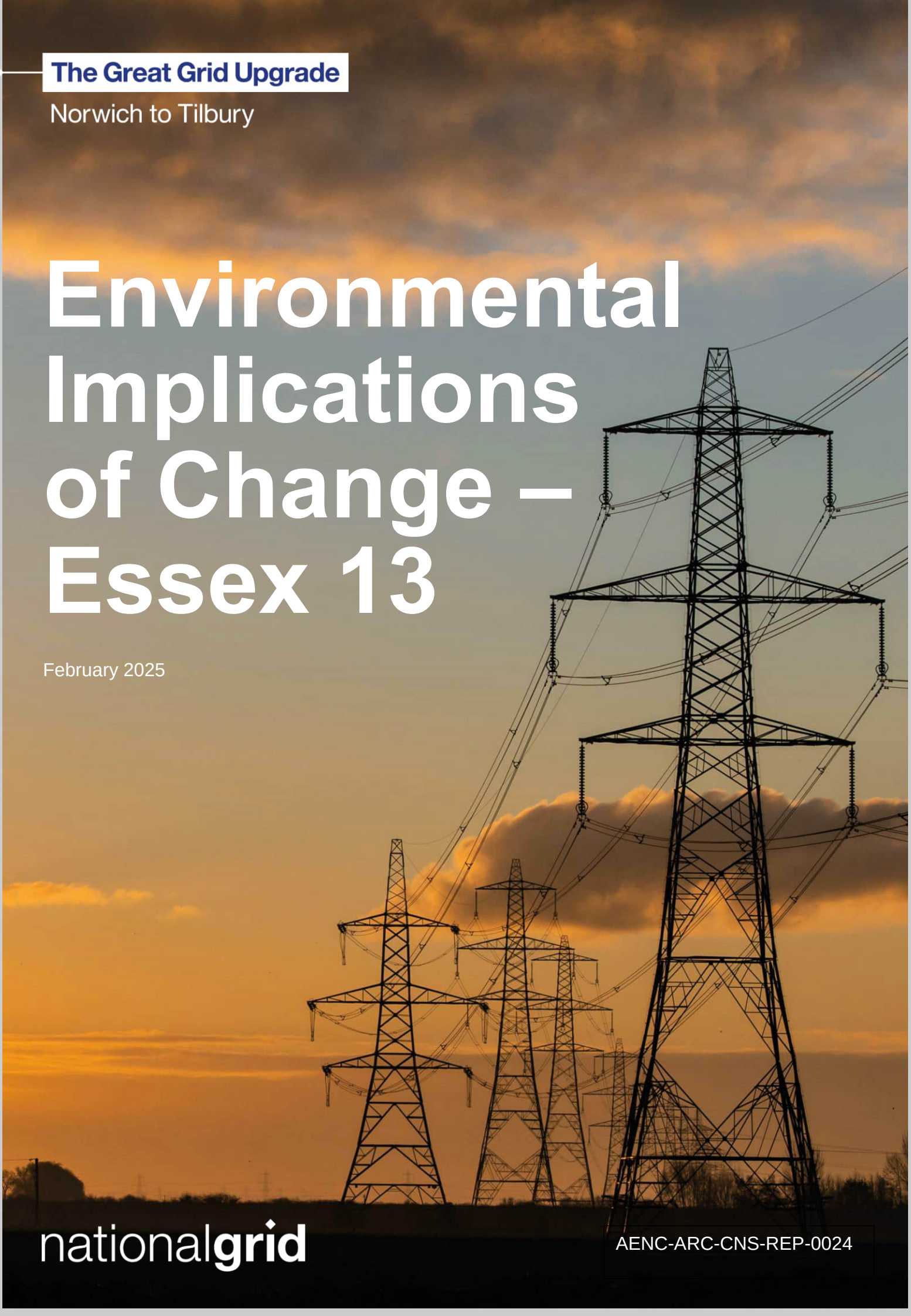

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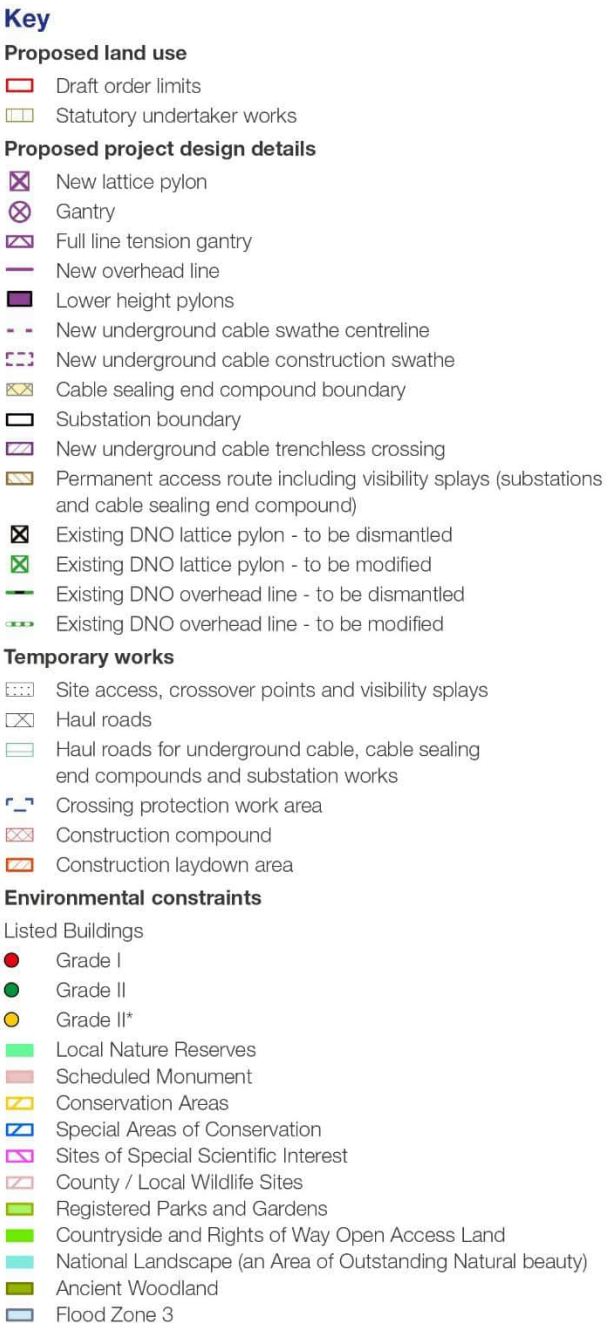
1. Environmental Implications of Change – Essex 13

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 This Environmental Implications of Change document should be read alongside the associated Essex 13 targeted consultation leaflet.

1.1.2 Image 1 presents the Statutory Consultation design and the proposed change together with key environmental constraints using the key below.



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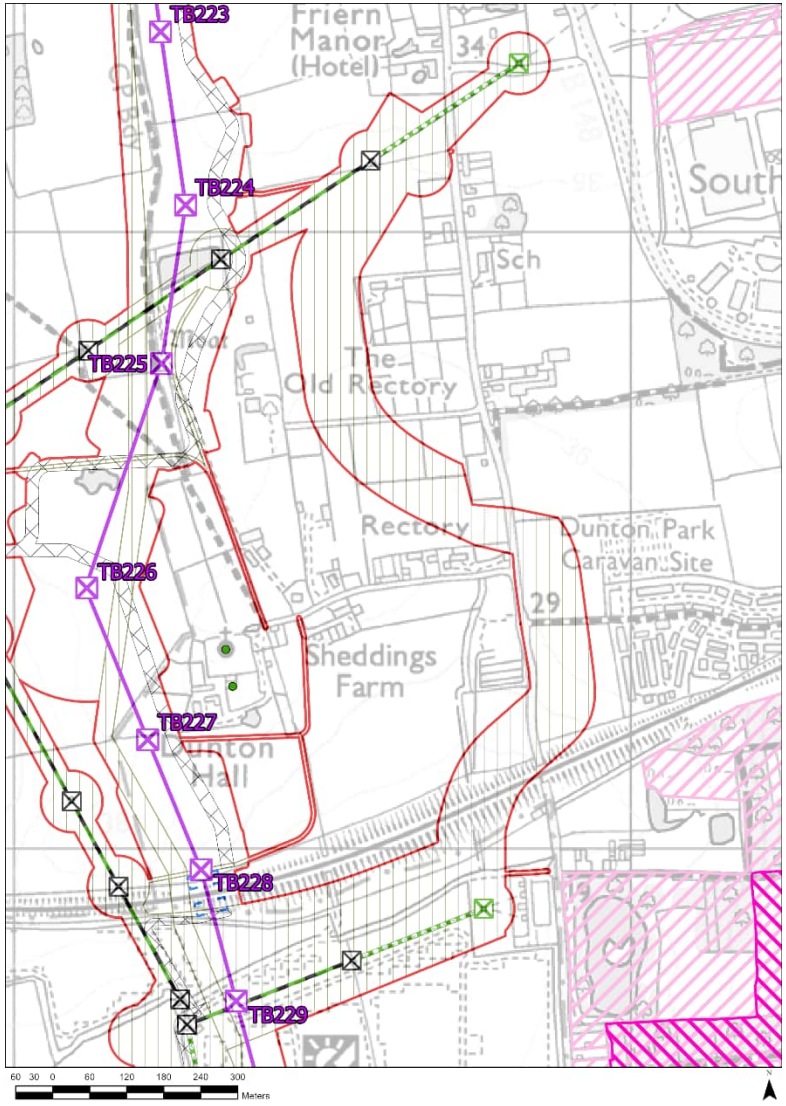

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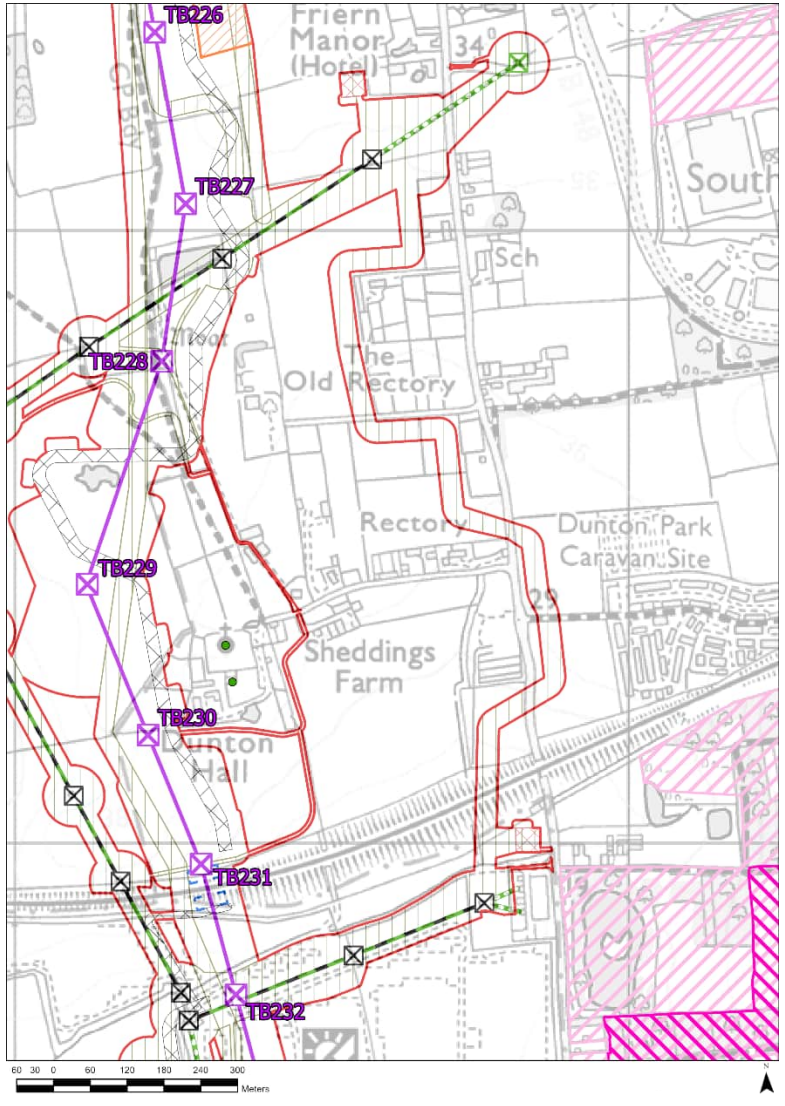

1.2 Environmental Implications of Change

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1.2.2 For information on the environmental implications of a change following our review, National Grid has produced an 'Environmental Implications of Change document' (EIC), like this one, with location reference to the specific area where the proposed change is located. The information provided within this EIC is proportionate and appropriate information on the environmental implications when looked at both in local context and in the context of the Project as a whole.

1.2.3 For this specific area of change, having carried out our preliminary assessment, there would be no change to the type or significance of environmental effects as a result of the proposed change when compared to the design and PEIR presented at the summer 2024 statutory consultation.

1.2.4 If, following this latest round of further targeted consultation, the proposed change is taken forward, baseline information (and environmental surveys) and assessment associated with this change in the context of the proposed development as a whole will be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES) that will form part of our application for a Development Consent Order (DCO).

1.3 Conclusion

1.3.1 The proposed change would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the PEIR (National Grid, 2024) which was published for statutory consultation. The PEIR can be viewed here.

1.3.2 If the proposed change is taken forwards, the baseline information (and environmental surveys) and assessment associated with this change would be provided in the ES.

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Leaflets - Thurrock 1

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Norwich to Tilbury

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Targeted consultation

Location reference: Thurrock 1 **12 noon 25 February 2025 to 11:59 pm 27 March 2025**

Norwich to Tilbury is a proposal for a new electricity transmission connection. It will play an important part in connecting low carbon, more affordable electricity from where it is generated to where it is needed.

From 10 April to 26 July 2024, we held a statutory consultation, inviting local communities, land owners and stakeholders to share their views on our proposals.

Since then, we have been carefully reviewing all the feedback we received as well as considering the findings of ongoing assessment work.

This has identified some places where there is potential to make a change to the proposals we published at our statutory consultation. These potential changes do not materially change the effects or fundamentally change the project as a whole.

We intend to submit our application for development consent in summer 2025. Before we make any decisions, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes near to them.

We are consulting on the proposed changes described below and overleaf between 25 February and 27 March 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing to reposition a temporary construction compound near Dunton to the east. You can see both the proposals presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024 and our currently proposed changes on the maps overleaf.

This change is being proposed following a request from the landowner to move the construction compound from the western end of the field to the eastern end of the field to reduce effects on agricultural activity.

The construction haul road would be extended to the east to allow access to the new construction compound.

What are the environmental implications of this proposed change?

The proposed change would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 consultation.

For more information on environmental implications, please refer to the Environmental Implications of Change document (EIC) with location reference **Thurrock 1**, where information on the environmental implications of the proposed change is provided and can be read alongside the information contained here.

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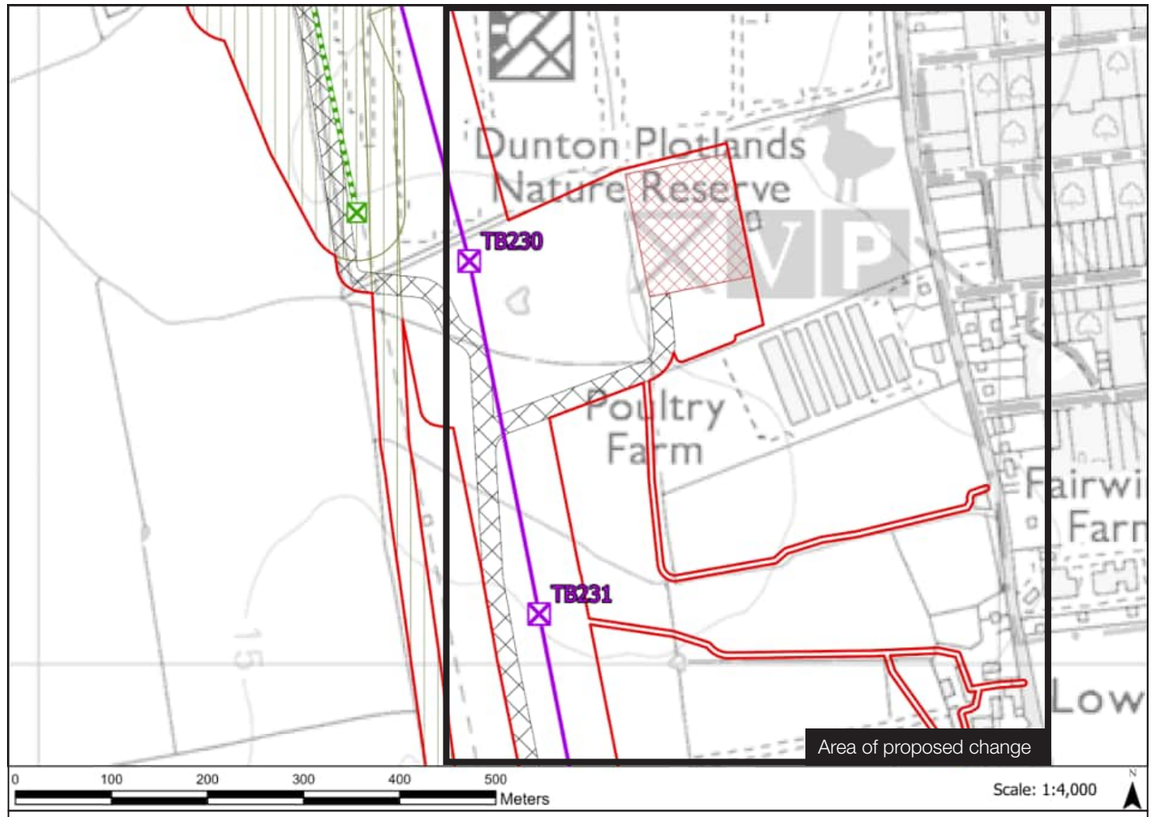


Key

Proposed land use

- Draft order limits
- Statutory undertaker works

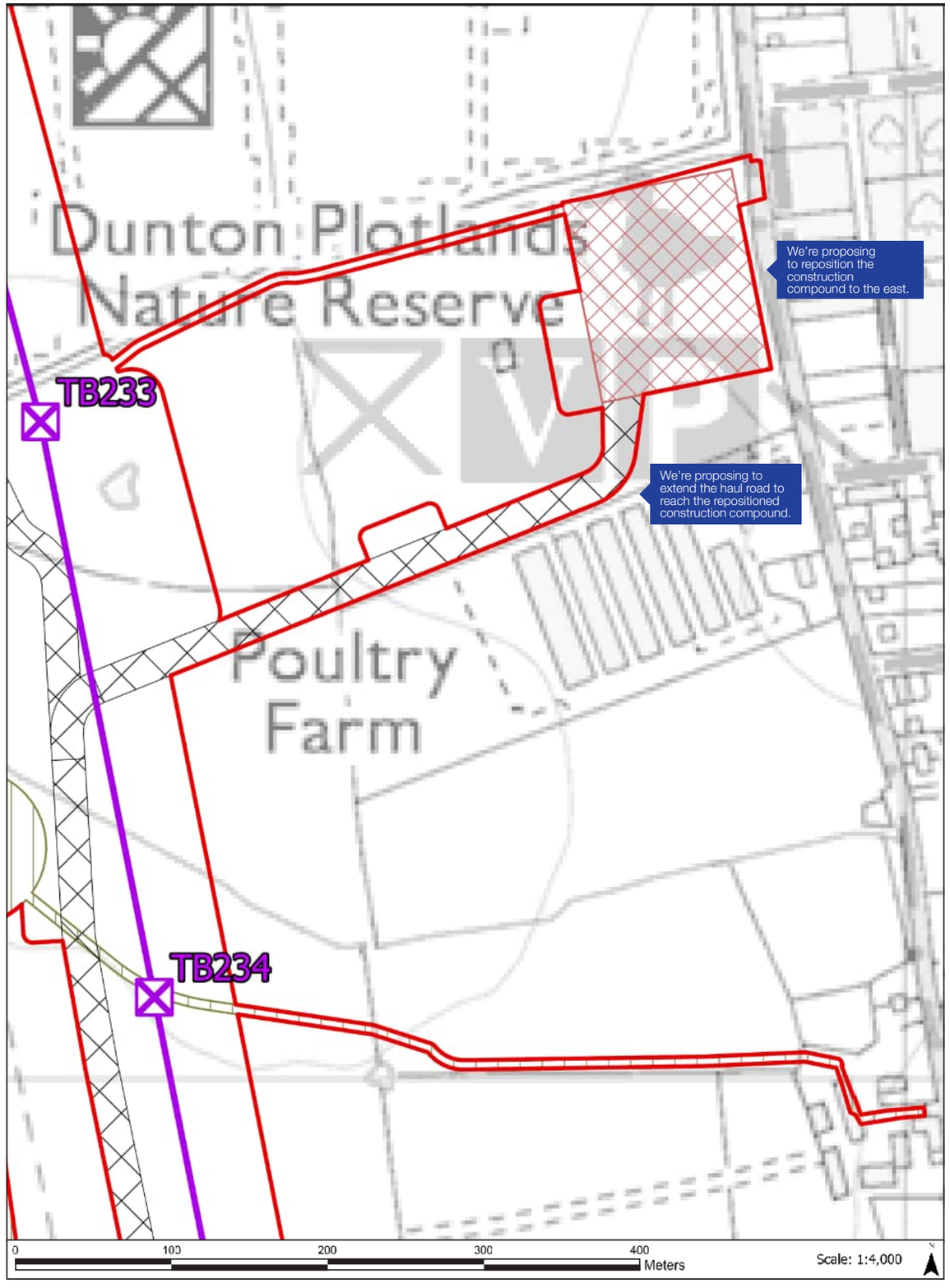
Proposed project design details

- New lattice pylon
- New overhead line

Temporary works

- Haul roads
- Crossing protection work area
- Construction compound

Area of proposed change February 2025



Have your say

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Environmental Implications of Change – Thurrock 1

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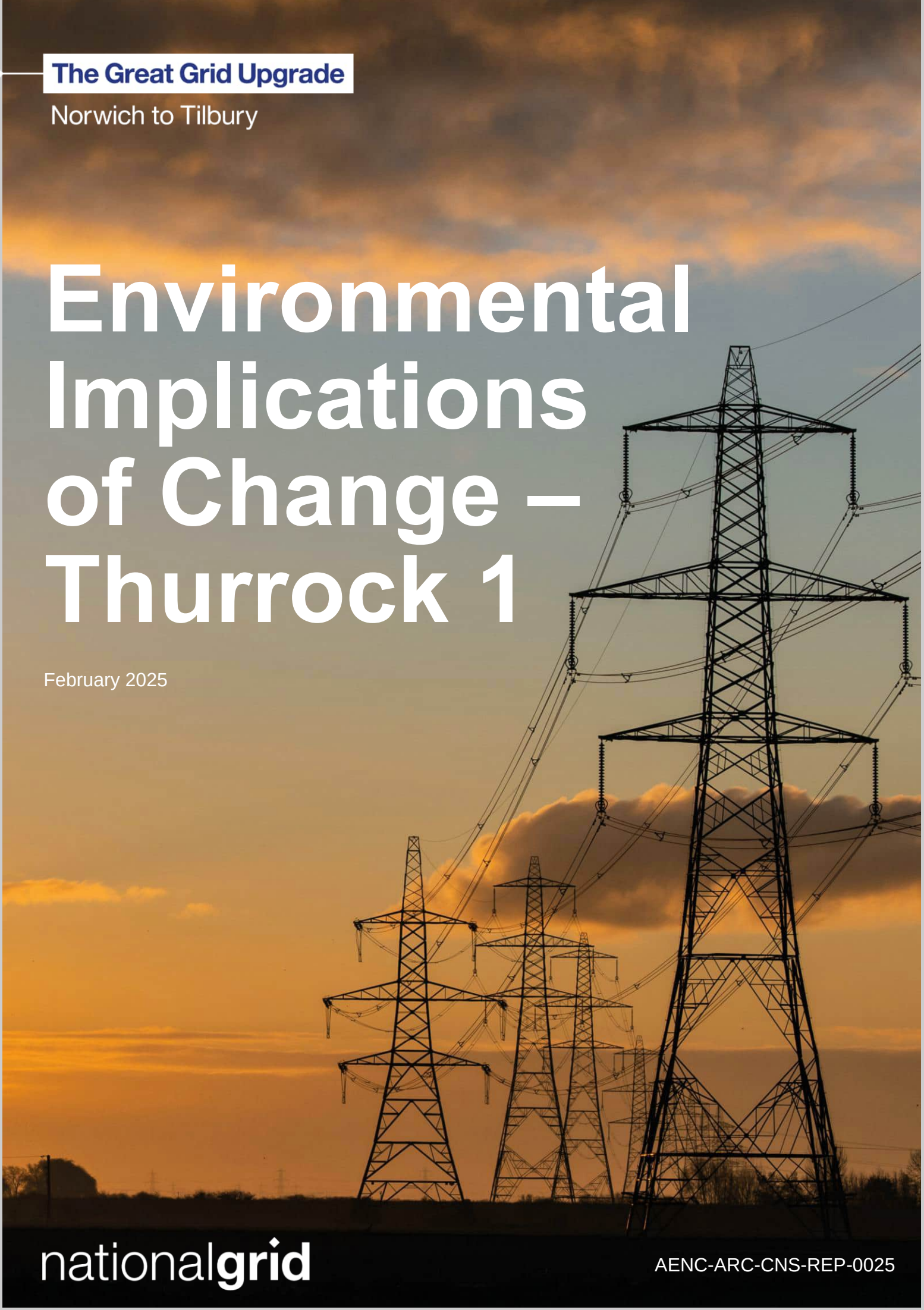

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1. Environmental Implications of Change – Thurrock 1

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 This Environmental Implications of Change document should be read alongside the associated Thurrock 1 targeted consultation leaflet.

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Image 1: Proposed Change

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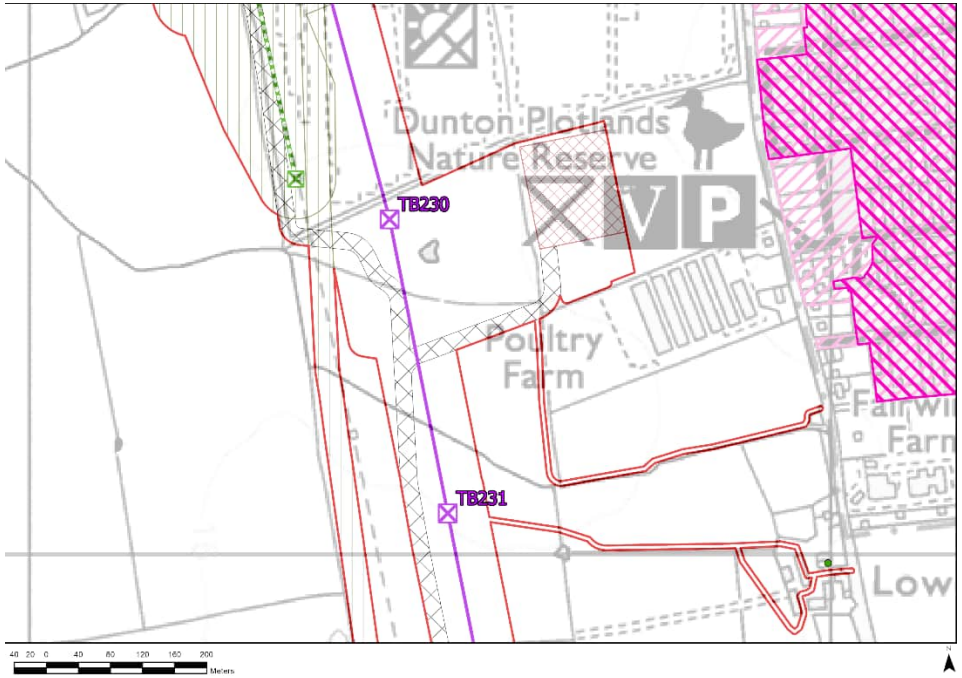

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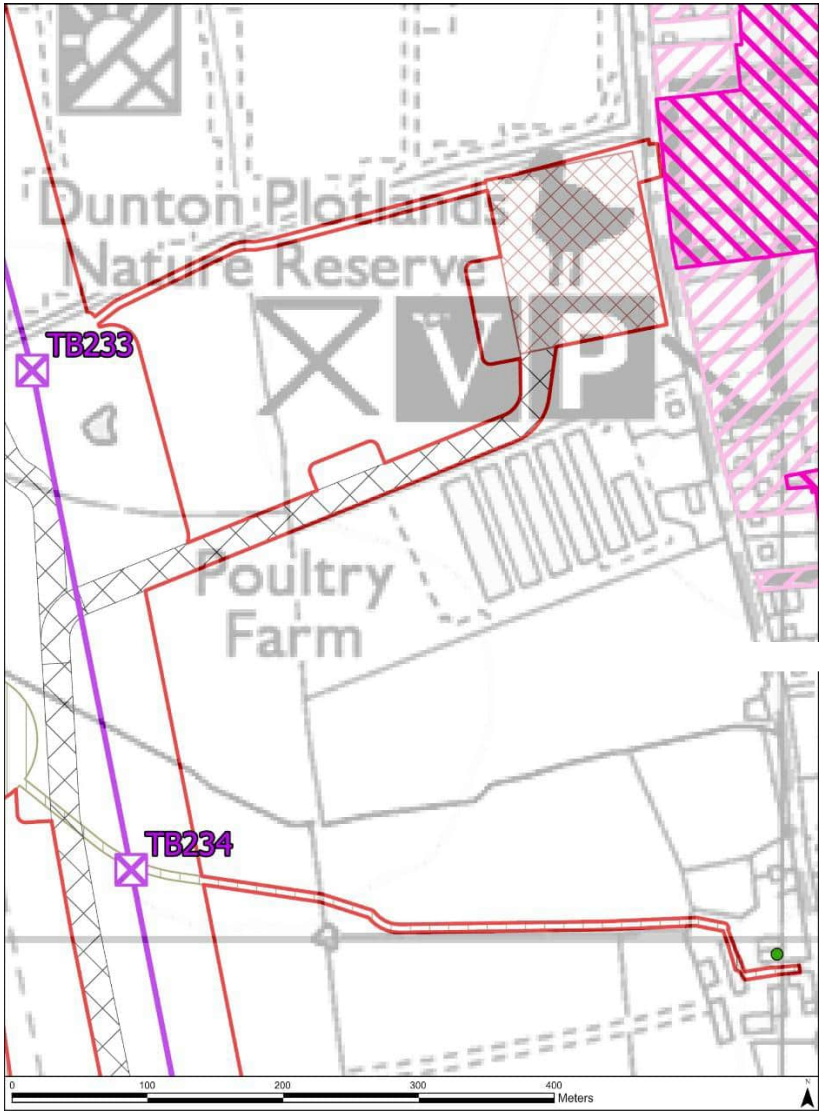

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Leaflets - Thurrock 2

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Targeted consultation

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Norwich to Tilbury is a proposal for a new electricity transmission connection. It will play an important part in connecting low carbon, more affordable electricity from where it is generated to where it is needed.

From 10 April to 26 July 2024, we held a statutory consultation, inviting local communities, land owners and stakeholders to share their views on our proposals.

Since then, we have been carefully reviewing all the feedback we received as well as considering the findings of ongoing assessment work.

This has identified some places where there is potential to make a change to the proposals we published at our statutory consultation. These potential changes do not materially change the effects or fundamentally change the project as a whole.

We intend to submit our application for development consent in summer 2025. Before we make any decisions, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes near to them.

We are consulting on the proposed changes described below and overleaf between 25 February and 27 March 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing to reposition the alignment of the overhead line to allow the close paralleling of the existing 132 kV overhead line near Langdon Hills Golf Club. The proposed change involves the relocation of pylons TB238 to TB244 (previously presented at statutory consultation as TB235 to TB243) to more closely follow the route of the 132 kV overhead line.

We are also proposing to use lower height lattice pylons from TB238 to TB243 (previously presented at statutory consultation as TB235 to TB242) to reduce the impacts on Thurrock Airfield. You can see the proposals presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024 and our proposed changes on the maps overleaf.

This is in response to feedback from consultation which asked us to consider:

- the continuation of close paralleling with the 132 kV overhead line near Langdon Hills Golf Course
- aircraft taking off and landing at Thurrock airfield
- changing the locations where the overhead line would cross existing pipelines to ensure their continued safe operation.

The proposed order limits of the project have also been widened in some locations where the overhead line would cross existing infrastructure in response to ongoing engagement with the infrastructure providers. We are also proposing other minor amendments to the order limits.

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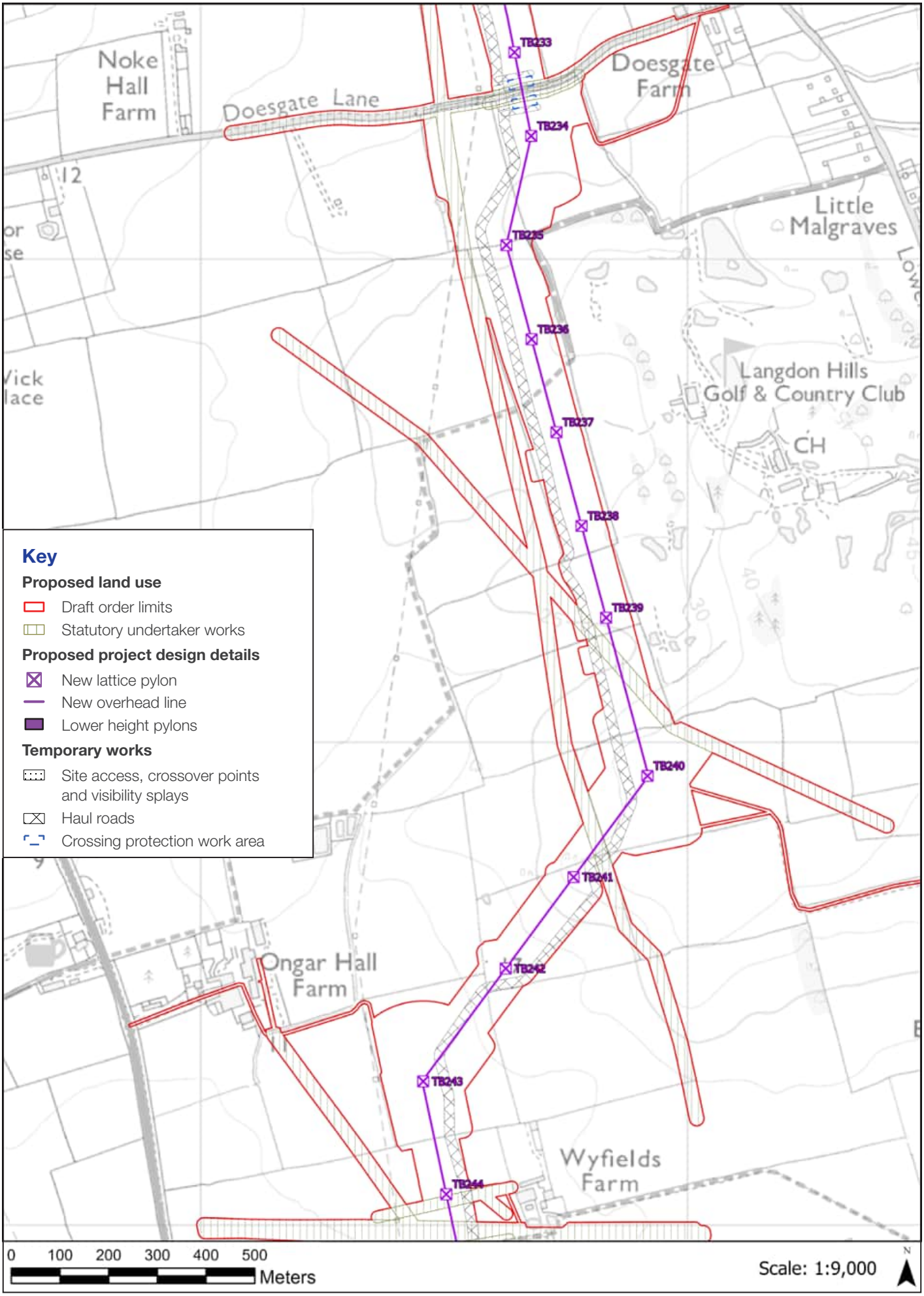

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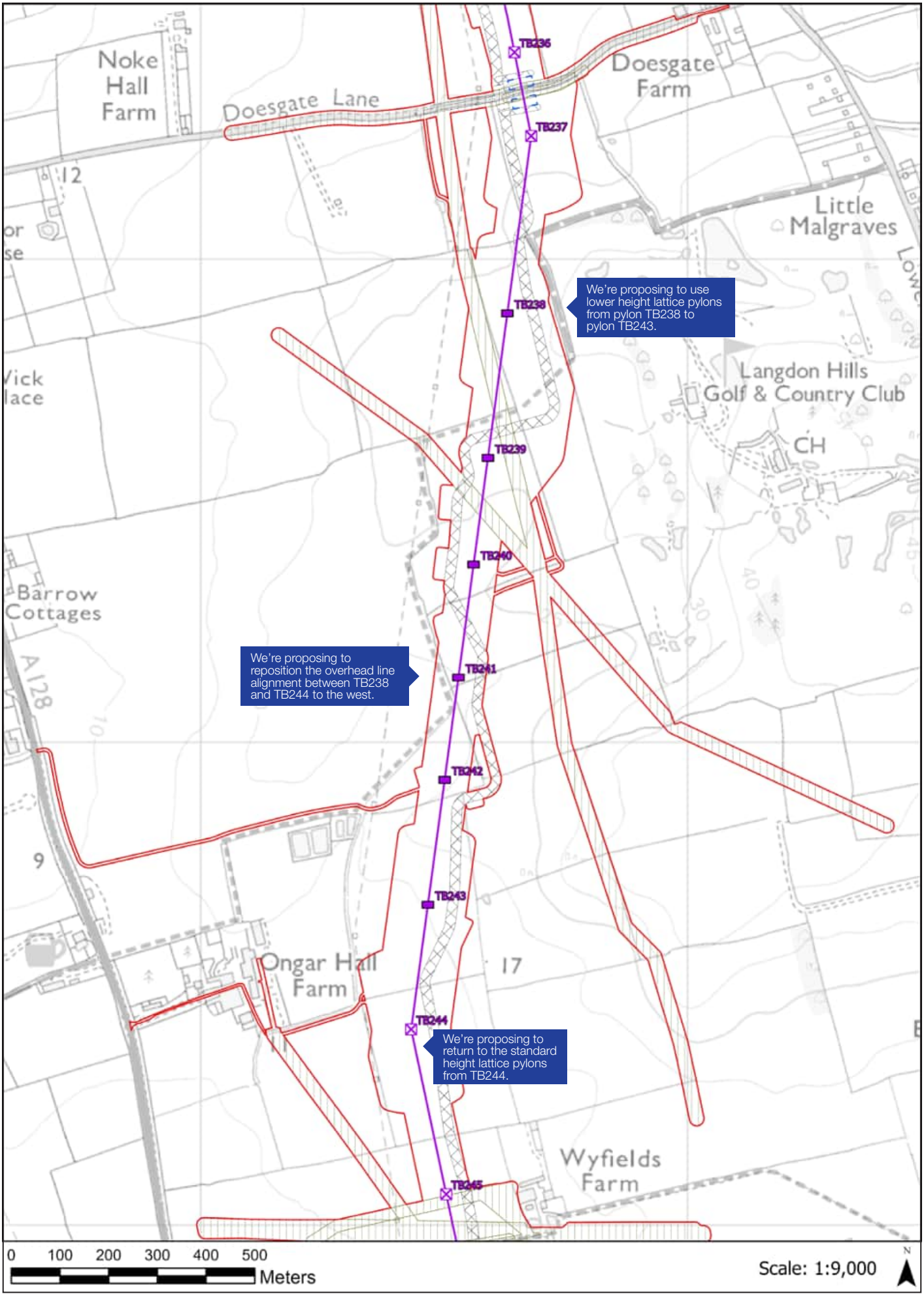

Example 3D visualisation of current landscape south of Langdon Hills Golf & Country Club (Coordinates: 51.538602, 0.392590)

3D visualisation as presented at our statutory consultation in summer 2024

3D visualisation of lower height lattice pylons

What are the environmental implications of the proposed changes?

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If you would like to see how the changes we are proposing at this location may look in the landscape, you can book a session with the community relations team to view our 3D model at **Bulphan Village Hall on 12 March between 2 pm and 5 pm**.

You can book by contacting us on any of the methods listed below.

Have your say

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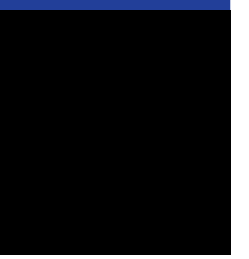

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Environmental Implications of Change – Thurrock 2

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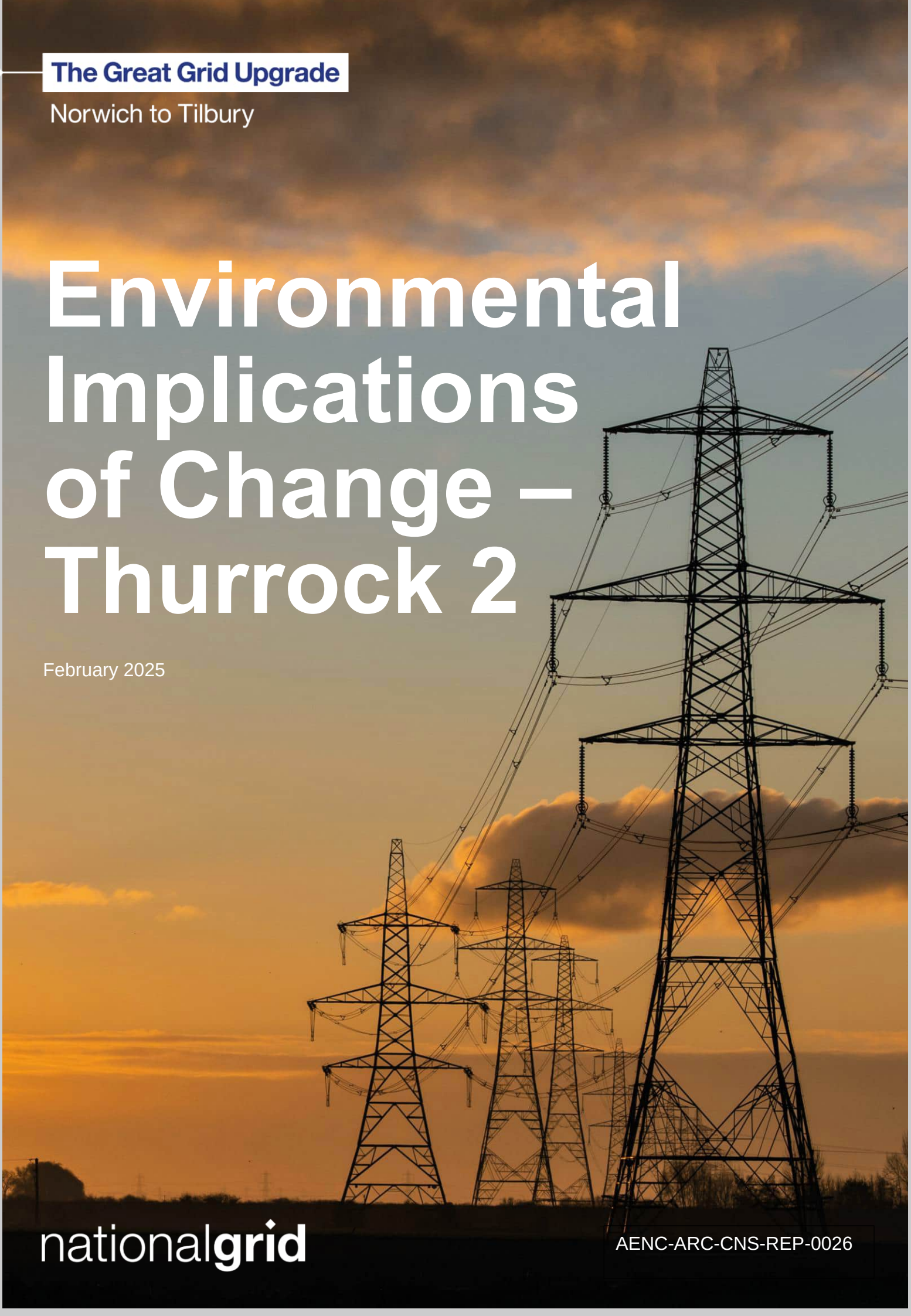

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1. Environmental Implications of Change – Thurrock 2

1.1 Introduction

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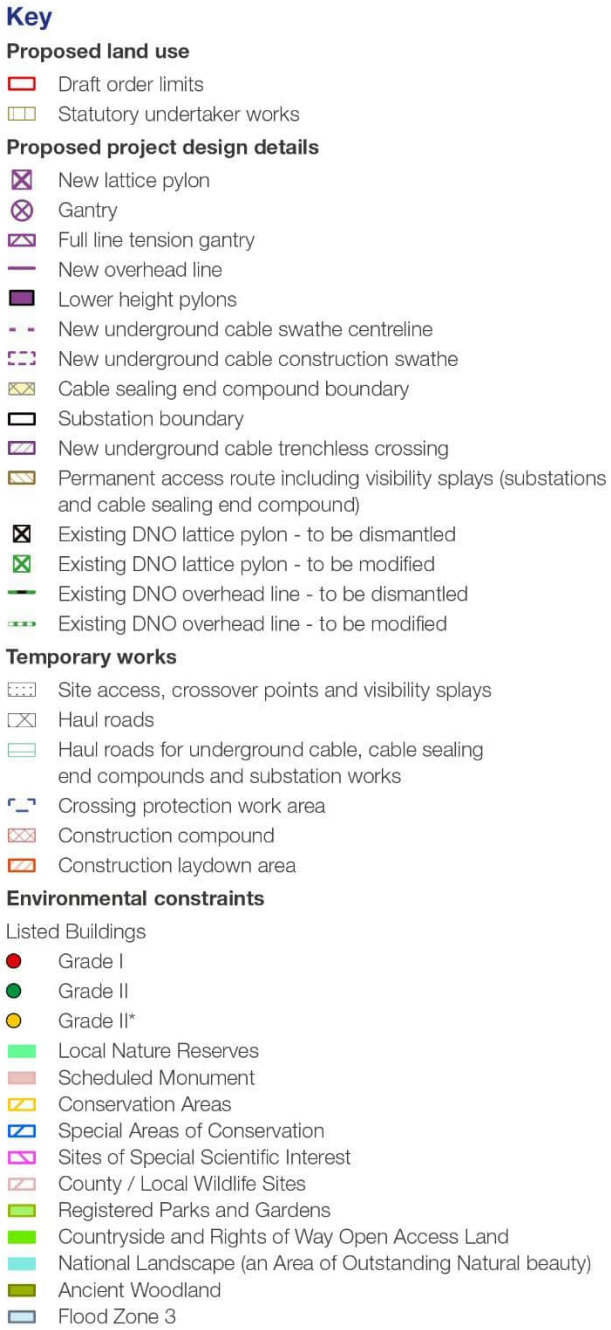

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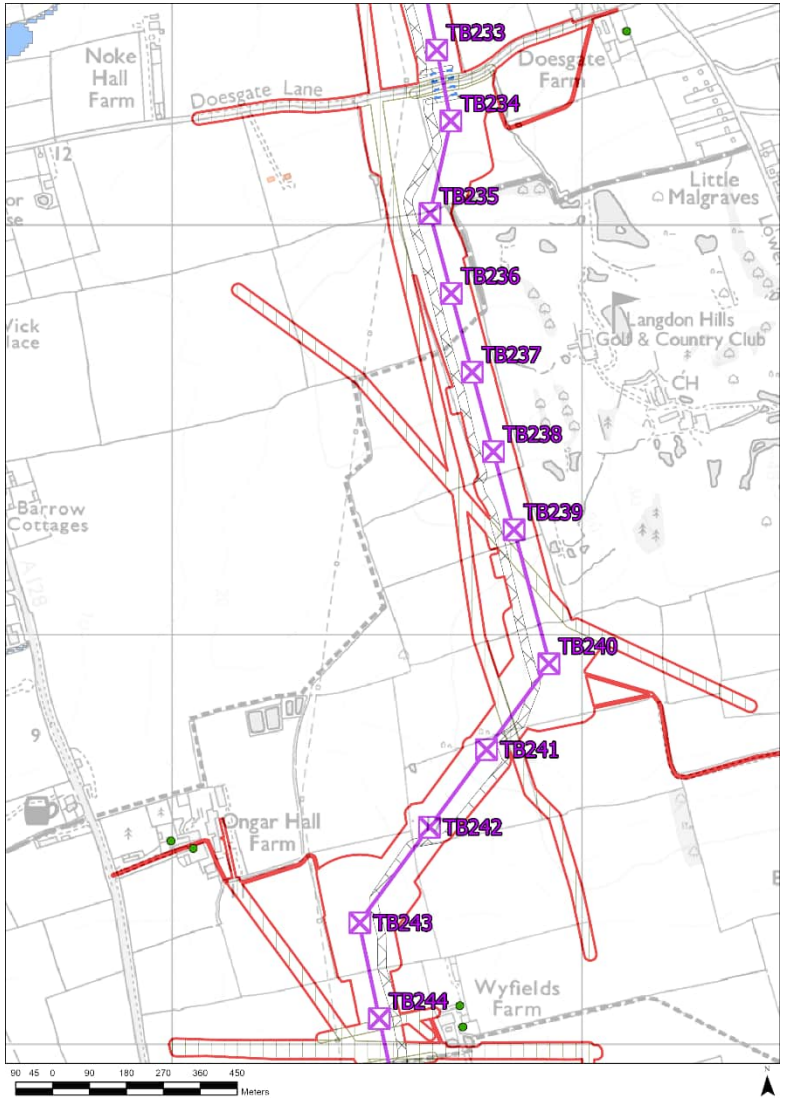

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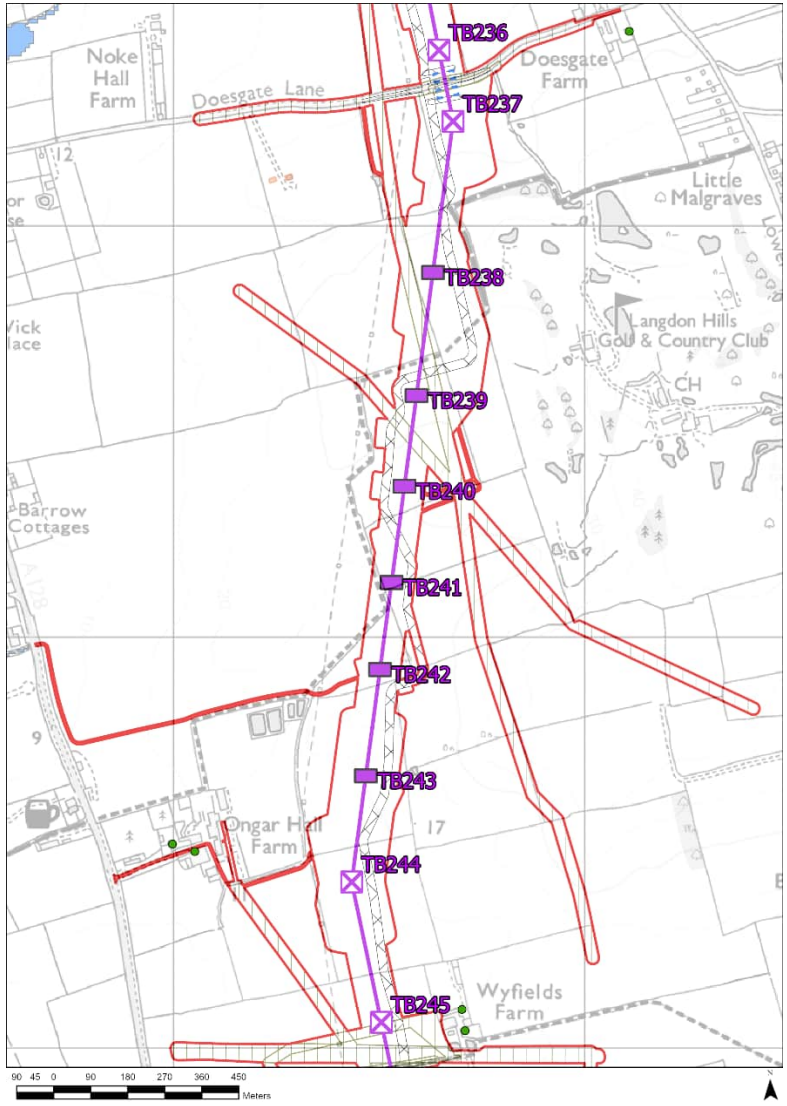

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1.2.2 For information on the environmental implications of a change following our review, National Grid has produced an 'Environmental Implications of Change document' (EIC), like this one, with location reference to the specific area where the proposed change is located.

1.2.3 The table below outlines the environmental implications of a change which is proposed as a result of feedback received during statutory consultation in 2024. The information provided here is proportionate and appropriate information on the environmental implications when looked at both in local context and in the context of the project as a whole.

Environmental Topic	**Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR**
Agriculture and Soils	Indicative mapping shows similar 'Provisional Agricultural Land Classification' grading and soil types as identified for the design presented at statutory consultation. There would be no change to the type or significance of agriculture and soil effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation
Air Quality	There would be no change to the type or significance of air quality effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation
Ecology and Biodiversity	The proposed change would move the alignment within what appears to be more diverse grassland habitat to the east of Ongar Hall Farm when compared to the design presented at statutory consultation. Nevertheless, there would be no change to the type or significance of ecology and biodiversity effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Contaminated Land, Geology and Hydrogeology	There would be no change to the type or significance of contaminated land, geology and hydrogeology effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

Environmental Topic	Comments / observations / identified environmental implications of the proposed change when compared to the preliminary assessment presented in the PEIR
Health and Wellbeing	The proposed change would result in more separation from the golf course, although the alignment does come slightly closer to isolated properties. Overall, there would be no change to the type of significance of health and wellbeing effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Historic Environment	The proposed change (including change to low height pylons) would locate the alignment closer to the scheduled monument Bulphan World War II bombing decoy, Doesgate Farm and two grade II listed buildings at Ongar Hall than the design presented at statutory consultation. The design presented at statutory consultation was located within the settings of these assets but beyond the existing 132 kV overhead line. The proposed change, although closer, would still be beyond the existing 132 kV overhead line and would follow its alignment therefore reducing the area of the landscape altered by overhead line infrastructure and not significantly changing the impact through change to setting from that reported in the PEIR. Overall, there would be no change to the type or significance of historic environment effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Hydrology, Land Drainage and Flood Risk	There would be no change to the type or significance of hydrology, land drainage and flood risk effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Landscape and Visual	The proposed change (including change to low height pylons) would move part of the alignment slightly to the west to follow a more direct route and would have a reduction in the number of pylons compared to the design presented at statutory consultation. The proposed change in alignment follows the lower slopes of a localised hill which rises to the east, towards the centre of the Langdon Hills Golf and Country Club. Whilst the proposed change would locate the alignment closer to residential receptors in the settlement at Bulphan, and at Ongar Hall Farm, it would retain some degree of separation. The proposed change would move the alignment further from recreational receptors at the golf club. In terms of landscape, effects on landscape character are likely to be similar. This is because the design presented at statutory consultation and the proposed change would both introduce pylons into roughly the same part of the Sticking Hill Rolling Farmland / Wooded Hills landscape character area. Refer to visualisations in Annex A. Overall, there would be no change to the type or significance of landscape and visual effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

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Noise and Vibration	There would be no change to the type or significance of noise and vibration effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Socio-economics, Recreation and Tourism	The proposed change would reduce the impact on the operations of Thurrock Airfield when compared to the design presented at statutory consultation. There would be no change to the type or significance of socio-economic, recreation and tourism effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.
Traffic and Transport	There would be no change to the type or significance of traffic and transport effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to the design and PEIR presented at statutory consultation.

1.3 Conclusion

1.3.1 The proposed change would not materially change the conclusions that were reported within the PEIR (National Grid, 2024) which was published for statutory consultation. The PEIR can be viewed here.

1.3.2 If the proposed change is taken forwards, the baseline information (and environmental surveys) and assessment associated with this change would be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES).

Annex A - Visualisation

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Annex A - Visualisations - North Langdon Hills Country Park

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AOD: 71.9 m
Direction of view: 227°
Nearest structure: 1.9 km

Field of view (cylindrical projection): 90° (horizontal) x 27° (vertical)
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Correct printed image size: 820 x 250 mm

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Photography Time: 11:47

Norwich to Tilbury

Viewpoint 8.06: PRoW North of Langdon Hills Country Park (No 154)

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Photowire - Landscape Institute Type 4. Revised design for targeted consultation.

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Annex A - Visualisations - Doesgate Lane Bulphan

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Nearest structure: 0.6 km

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Norwich to Tilbury
Viewpoint 8.02: Doesgate Lane, Bulphan

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Norwich to Tilbury
Viewpoint 8.02: Doesgate Lane, Bulphan

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OS reference: 565028E 186252N
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Project website

Targeted consultations for Norwich to Tilbury

Targeted consultations on proposed changes in Essex and Thurrock are running from 12 noon Tuesday 25 February to 11:59 pm on Thursday 27 March 2025.

Targeted consultations on proposed changes in Norfolk and Suffolk are running from 12 noon Thursday 30 January to 11:59 pm on Monday 3 March 2025.

Following our statutory consultation last summer, we have carefully reviewed all the feedback we received, and we have identified some locations where we could, potentially, make some small changes to the proposals we published. Most of these changes have been identified from the feedback we received, along with the consideration of the findings of environmental and engineering surveys.

Before we make any decisions, we are going back to consult with those people living near these proposed changes. We are writing to nearby residents and community representatives to explain the proposed changes and give them the opportunity to provide feedback.

We've phased these consultations, starting with locations in Norfolk and Suffolk followed by locations in Essex and Thurrock:

Targeted consultations on proposed changes in **Norfolk and Suffolk opened on Monday 30 January and will run until 11:59 pm on Monday 3 March 2025.**

We've now also opened targeted consultations on proposed changes in **Essex and Thurrock which will run from Tuesday 25 February until 11:59 pm on Thursday 27 March 2025.**

While these are local, targeted consultations anyone can take part, and more information on the proposed changes is available below. You can take part either by emailing us, writing to us using our Freepost address or via the online questionnaire here.

Providing feedback

If you would like to comment on any of the proposed changes, you can send feedback via our online feedback questionnaire or write or email us using the contact details below:

- Email - contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com
- Freepost – FREEPOST N TO T
- Online feedback questionnaire - click here

Each location has been given a reference, please quote this in any correspondence.

Webinars

We've held a series of webinars on proposed changes in Norfolk and Suffolk. To view recordings of these webinars please visit our document library.

We're holding three webinars on changes in Essex and Thurrock via Microsoft Teams to give people an opportunity to ask the project team questions.

You can sign up for a webinar by clicking on one of the links below:

- Essex – 17 March 2025 18:00
- Essex and Thurrock – 18 March 2025 12:30
- Thurrock – 18 March 2025 18:00

January 2025 targeted consultations on proposed changes in Norfolk and Suffolk

Our targeted consultations on proposed changes in Norfolk and Suffolk runs from 12 noon 30 January 2025 to 11:59pm 3 March 2025.

To view information on a change, please click on the relevant section below

- Norfolk 1
- Norfolk 2
- Norfolk 3
- Norfolk 4
- Suffolk 1
- Suffolk 1a
- Suffolk 2
- Suffolk 3
- Suffolk 4
- Suffolk 5
- Suffolk 6

February 2025 targeted consultations on proposed changes in Essex and Thurrock

Our targeted consultations on proposed changes in Essex and Thurrock run from Tuesday 25 February to 11:59 pm on Thursday 27 March 2025.

To view information on a change, please click on the relevant section below.

- Essex 1
- Essex 2
- Essex 3
- Essex 4
- Essex 5
- Essex 6
- Essex 7
- Essex 8
- Essex 9
- Essex 10
- Essex 11
- Essex 12
- Essex 13
- Thurrock 1
- Thurrock 2

Document library

In the library below you can view all the materials we've produced for these targeted consultations. Each consultation brochure contains a map and relevant information on the associated change.

Name
Norfolk 1 - Consultation Leaflet
Norfolk 1 - Environmental Implications of Change
Norfolk 2 - Consultation Leaflet
Norfolk 2 - Environmental Implications of Change
Norfolk 3 - Consultation Leaflet
Norfolk 3 - Environmental Implications of Change

- Norfolk 4 - Consultation Leaflet
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Webinar material

Alternatives

We've received a lot of consultation feedback on alternative technology solutions, such as:

- Integrated offshore grid
- Offshore cable - Norfolk to Essex
- Onshore undergrounding (AC and HVDC)

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Targeted consultation

- Following the statutory consultation last summer, we've considered all consultation feedback and the findings of ongoing assessments and surveys.
- As a result, we have identified some locations where we might make changes to our proposals – such as moving some pylon locations and/or changing the location of some temporary works or construction access roads, tracks, and compounds.
- Before we make any decisions on these proposed changes, we are holding local, targeted, non-statutory consultations to give local residents and stakeholders the opportunity to provide feedback.
- We will then refine our proposals ahead of submitting our application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) in 2025.
- We launched targeted consultations on proposed changes in Norfolk and Suffolk which finished on 3 March. **Essex and Thurrock** consultations launched on **25 February** and will close at **11:59 pm** on **27 March**.
- We have now launched a targeted statutory consultation on some proposed changes to the connection at Tilbury. This is running from **Tuesday 18 March – Thursday 17 April.**

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Maps and plans

- We've published a range of information including maps and consultation leaflets describing the proposed changes. We've also published accompanying environmental information.
- The maps show the draft order limits - this is the area within which work may occur - but not all the land shown will be affected.
- All the information on the proposed changes is available on our website.

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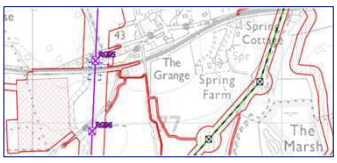
Examples of what is shown on the consultation plans

- Before and after plans to show proposed change to overhead lines and underground cables (alignment, type of pylon, replacement of UKPN by cable etc)
- Before and after plans showing proposed change to location of compounds and main construction access points or new off-highway access route
- Plans also show (within relevant area) proposed, local changes of: pylon position; rights of access; construction access alignment.



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Essex 1

- Alignment of underground cable route near Langham routed to the west of the Langham Hall estate, rejoining the 2024 route north of Black Brook.
- Removes need for trenchless crossing near Langham Church, reduces disturbance to wildlife and mature woodland, and reduces tree removal along tree lined avenues.
- Temporary access and bellmouths to follow the alignment.

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Essex 2

- Underground cable and overhead line alignments switched before they enter the EACN.
- Underground cable repositioned further north around the lake, and the overhead line moved south of Little Bromley Road.
- Movement of associated haul roads and bellmouths.

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Essex 3

- Permanent private access to EACN repositioned in line with landowner requests.
- Traffic would join Bentley Road and Ardleigh Road in the locations proposed in summer 2024.

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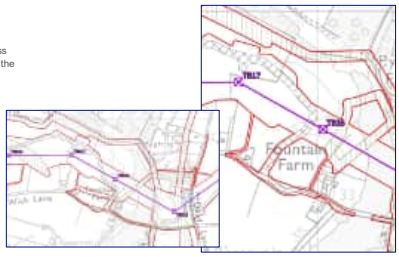
Essex 4

Temporary construction access and haul road repositioned to the west.



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Essex 5

- Line of pylons near Surrex repositioned to the east.
- Addition of one further angle pylon to position the line more evenly between residential properties in Surrex and Skye Green.
- We are also proposing to change the haul roads associated with these pylons so that they follow field boundaries where possible, reducing the impacts on land uses and agricultural activity, along with other minor amendments to the order limits.

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Essex 6

- Line of pylons near Feering repositioned to the south east.
- TB78 (previously TB077) repositioned to the southeast of its previous location, on lower ground, as an angle pylon.
- The alignment would then run west, including an additional pylon TB79 to facilitate the proposed repositioning of TB78. The overhead line would then connect to TB81 at a slight angle.
- Pylons would be positioned at field edges, and access would use existing tracks and field boundaries where practicable.
- Movement of haul road and bellmouths.

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Essex 7

- We are proposing to extend the project order limits south of Great Leighs.
- Essex County Council has recently consulted on its draft updated Essex Minerals Plan and identified that this land could be allocated as a mineral site.
- Extending the project order limits in this area to the south east would allow for flexibility if the site is allocated in the updated Essex Minerals Plan.

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Essex 8

- Use of lower height lattice pylons along an adjusted overhead line alignment between Little Waltham and Great Waltham.
- Expected to remove or reduce the visibility of pylons from within the Great Waltham and Little Waltham conservation areas, and Langleys park and garden

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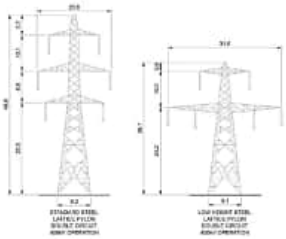
Typical pylon dimensions



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Lower height lattice pylons

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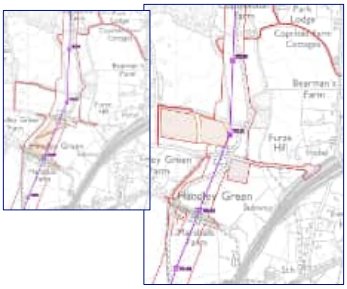
Essex 9

Temporary construction laydown area repositioned north of Ivy Barns Lane.



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Essex 10

- Section of the existing 132 kV overhead line replaced with underground cable to allow repositioning of a line of pylons and a temporary construction compound near Havering's Grove.
- Approximately 2 km of existing 132 kV overhead line replaced with underground cable, to reduce cumulative effects and allow repositioning of the proposed 400 kV overhead line.
- Temporary construction compound relocated to the west to increase the distance from the nearest residential properties. Would be accessed from the same location.

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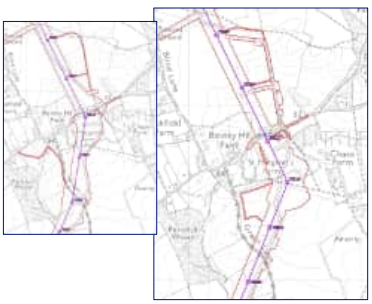
Essex 11

- Line of pylons near Little Burstead repositioned to the east of the alignment.
- TB218 repositioned to lower ground to the south east as an angle pylon. The line would then continue from TB218 in a straight line to the southwest.
- Would reduce the impact on residential properties at Botney Hill.
- Haul road crossing bellmouth moved to the existing farm access to the south of Botney Hill Road already used by HGVs.



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Essex 12

- Alternative temporary construction access and laydown area near Dunton Wayletts.
- If future built development in construction stage at same time as the project, could conflict with proposals presented in summer 2024.
- Due to uncertainty about timing, propose to include both access arrangements. Our preferred access arrangement remains the northern access presented in 2024.

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Essex 13

- Underground UKPN 132 kV cable proposed in summer 2024 repositioned to more closely follow field boundaries.
- To allow the overhead line to be replaced with underground cables, also proposing two temporary UKPN compounds.

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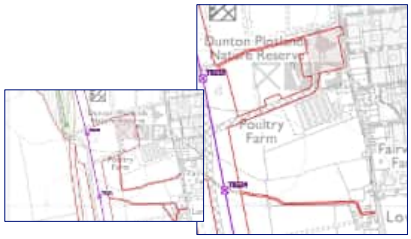
Thurrock 1

- Temporary construction compound near Dunton repositioned to the east to reduce effects on agricultural activity.
- The haul road would also be extended.



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Thurrock 2

- Use of lower height lattice pylons along an adjusted overhead line alignment near Langdon Hills.
- The alignment would more closely follow the route of the existing 132 kV overhead line.

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Thurrock 3 – connection at Tilbury

- At **12 noon** on **18 March,** we also opened a targeted statutory consultation to consult on a potential change to the connection point in Thurrock.
- Rather than connecting at the existing Tilbury Substation, we are now proposing to build a new Tilbury North Substation 5 km to the north, close to Orsett and between the villages of Linford and Chadwell St Mary. The substation would be located where we had previously proposed to build a CSE compound.
- We are also proposing modifications to the existing overhead line, which connects into the existing Tilbury substation as well as placing a section of a second overhead line underground.
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Timing and duration

- Each of our targeted consultations will run for 30 days. We launched the first of our targeted consultations in Norfolk and Suffolk, which closed on **3 March**.
- We launched our second round of consultations in Essex and Thurrock on **25 February**, and these will close at 11:59pm on **27 March.**
- We launched our statutory targeted consultation on Thurrock 3 – connection at Tilbury on **18 March**, and it will close at 11:59pm on **17 April.**
- We have set out our approach to public consultation in a **Consultation strategy** which we formerly consulted Local Authorities on in December 2024.

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How we are consulting

- **Digital materials, including:**
  - Updated project website
  - FAQs
  - Online feedback questionnaire
- **Non-technical documents, including:**
  - Community Newsletter
  - Consultation Leaflets
  - Feedback questionnaire
  - Targeted statutory consultation strategy
- You can still view our previous project documents on our project website.

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Webinars and events

Date	Time
Monday 17 March: Essex	6pm
Tuesday 18 March: Essex & Thurrock 1 and 2	12 noon
Tuesday 18 March: Thurrock 1 and 2	6pm
Wednesday 2 April: Thurrock 3	6pm
Tuesday 8 April: Thurrock 3	12 noon

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Webinars and events – Thurrock 3: connection at Tilbury

Date	Time
Tuesday 25 March: Chadwell St Mary Village Hall	10:30am – 3:30pm
Thursday 27 March: West Tilbury Village Hall	11:30am – 4:30pm

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How to respond to our consultation

- There are a range of ways to provide feedback:
  - **Website**: www.nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury
  - **Email**: contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com
  - **Freepost:** FREEPOST N TO T
- Feedback questionnaires are available:
  - online
  - on request
  - At inspection points
- We also have a freephone hotline: 0800 915 2497

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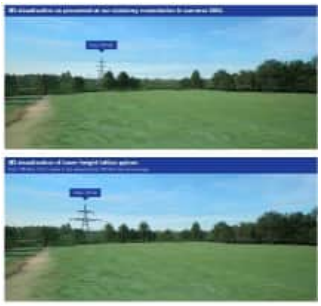
3D model example



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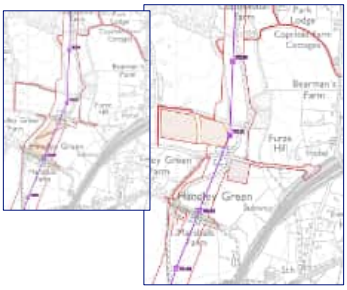

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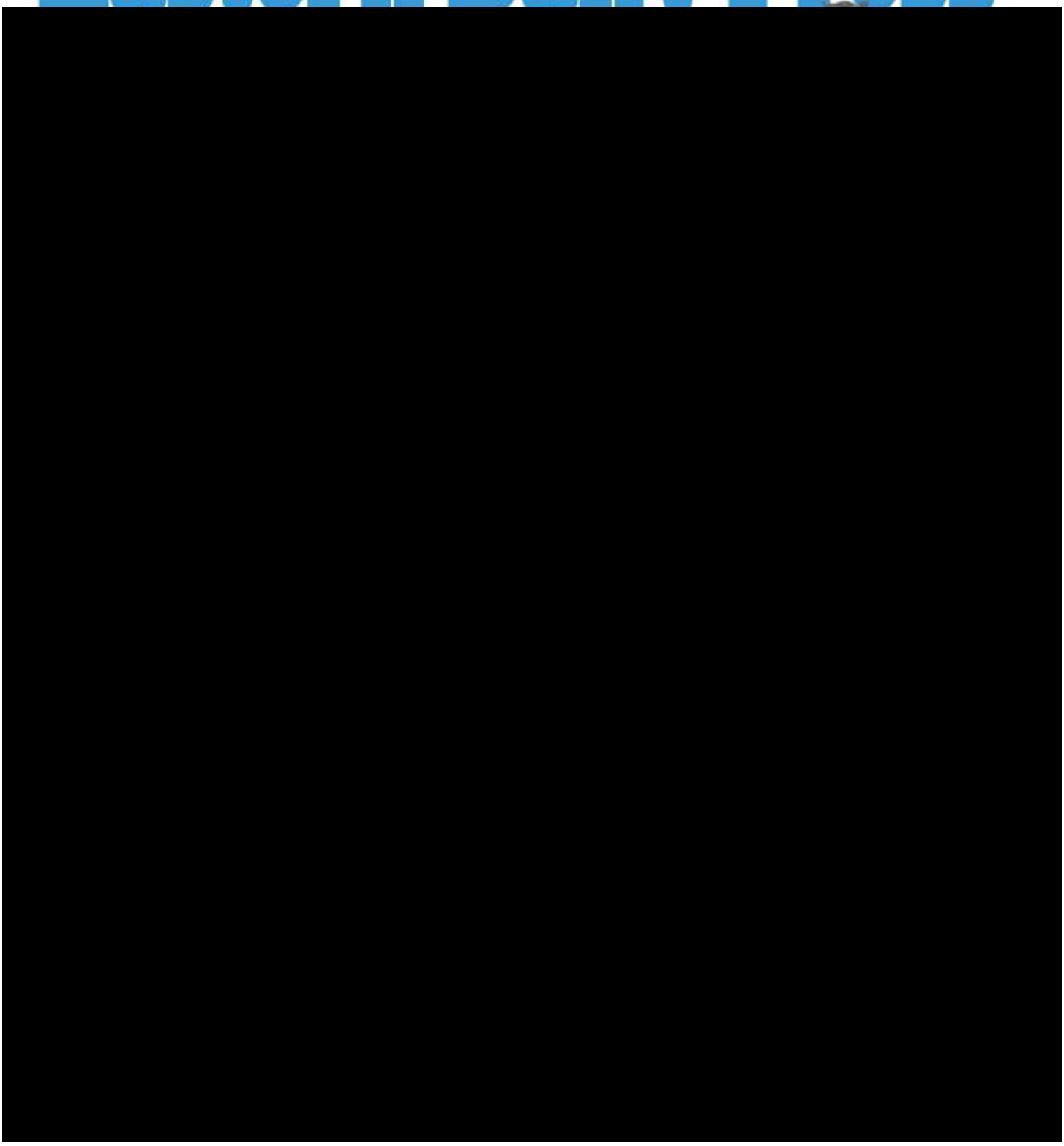

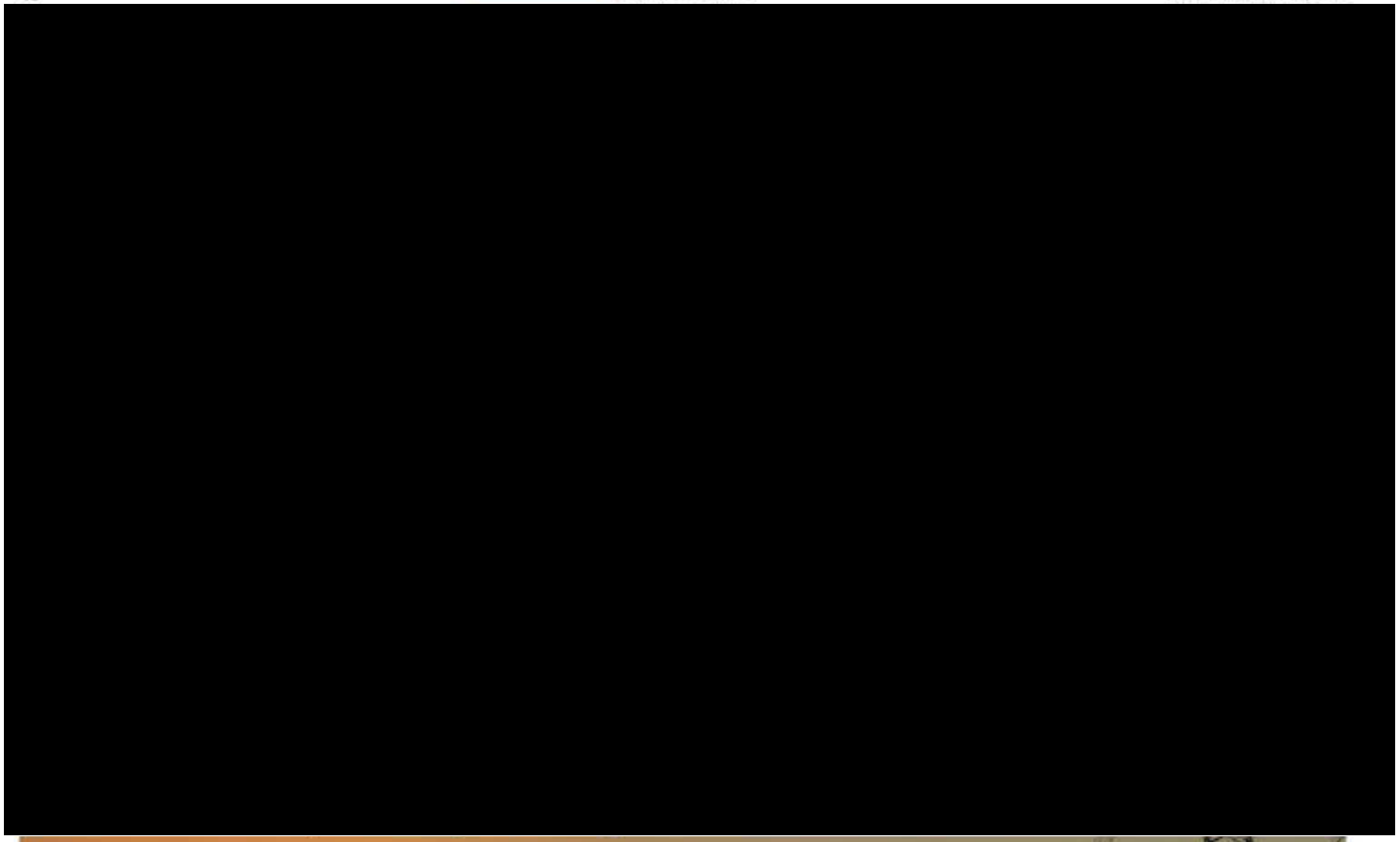

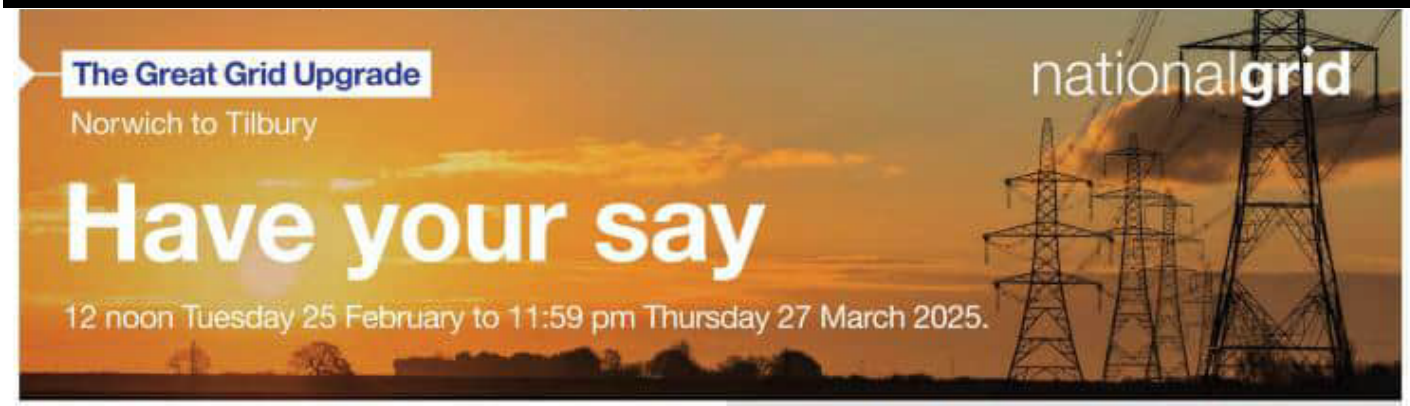

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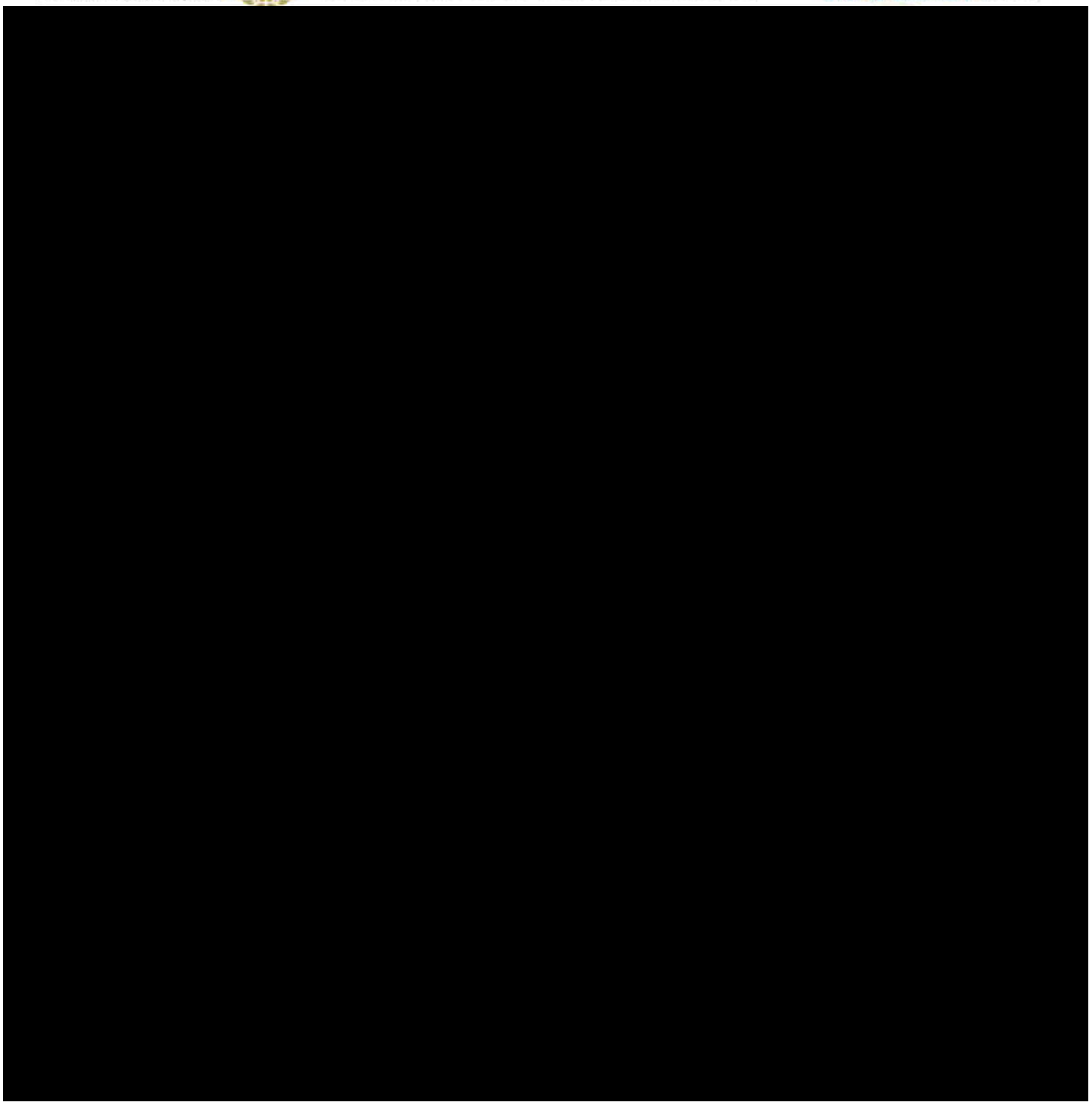

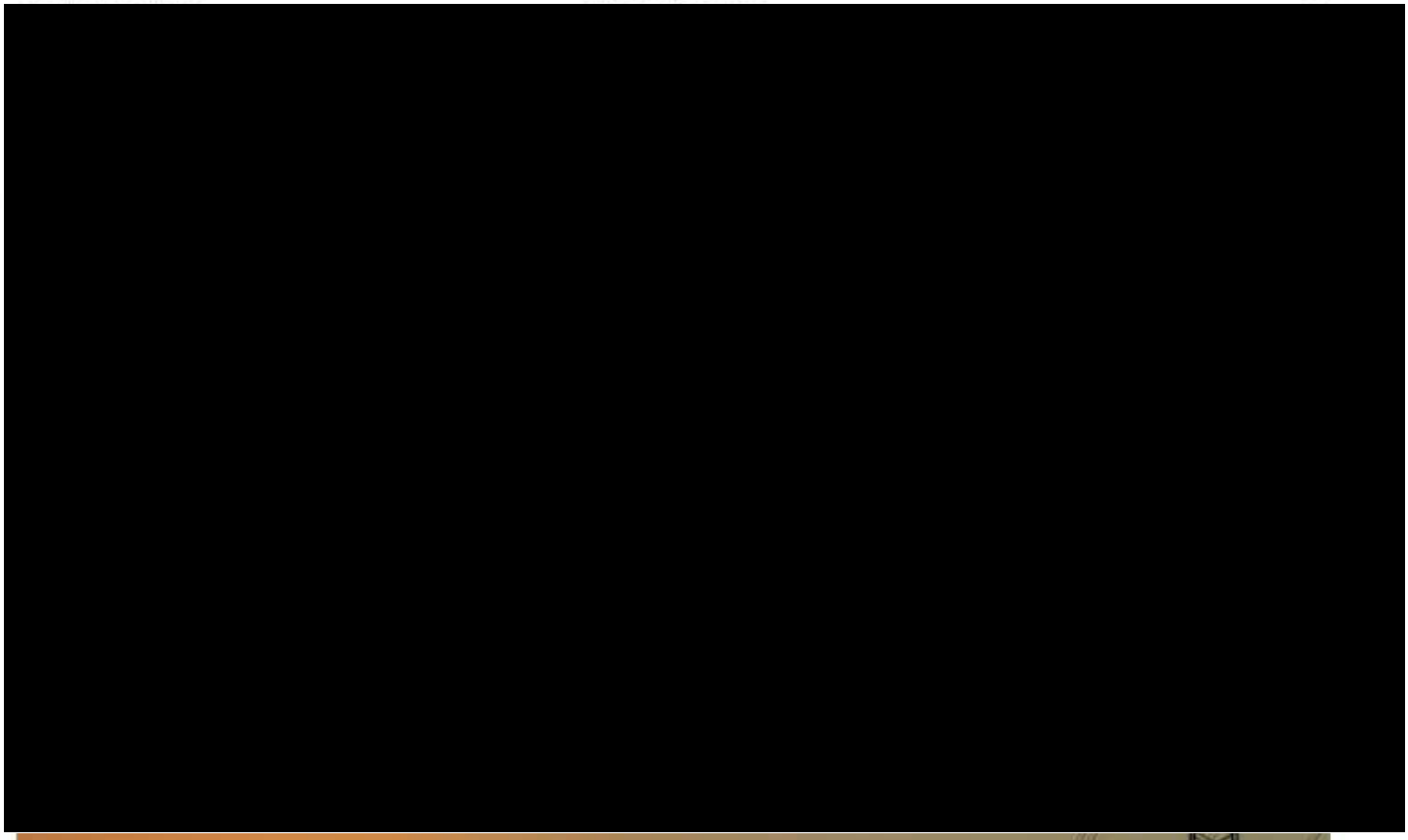

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We have sent a leaflet explaining the change we are proposing and why we are considering it at this location to local residents, along with a feedback form and freepost envelope.

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Our SoCC and the Targeted Statutory Consultation Strategy can be viewed on our project website. If this is the first time you've been contacted about our proposals for Norwich to Tilbury, you can also find all the information we have previously published, including information, maps and plans relating to our 2024 statutory consultation on our project website.

Providing feedback

If you would like to comment on any aspect of the proposed change included in the enclosed consultation leaflet, please complete the feedback questionnaire, and send it back to us in the envelope provided using the location reference Thurrock 3. You can also send feedback via our online feedback questionnaire or by post or email using the contact details below:

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Freepost – FREEPOST N TO T
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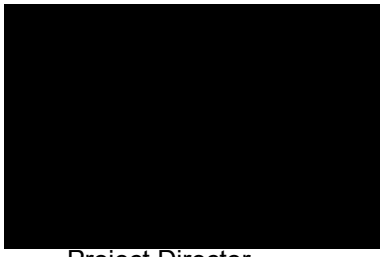

Project Director

K27.4 – Email sent to non-prescribed consultees

Outlook

National Grid – Norwich to Tilbury, targeted statutory consultation 18 March to 17 April 2025.

From Contact Norwich to Tilbury <contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com>
Date Tue 18/03/2025 12:35
To Contact Norwich to Tilbury <contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com>
Bcc [redacted]

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If you would like further information or a briefing on the targeted statutory consultation, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully

Project Director

K27.5 – Letter sent to S42(1)(d) consultees

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T: 0800 915 2497
email:
www.nationalgrid.com/n-t

Party Reference: 10554
Area Reference: Thurrock 3

18.03.25

[redacted]

Dear Sir / Madam

Targeted Statutory Consultation for the project called Norwich to Tilbury: 12 noon 18 March 2025 to 11:59 pm 17 April 2025

Consultation notice under Sections 42, 44 and 47 of the Planning Act 2008 (as amended)

The Infrastructure Planning (Applications and Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (as amended) (the "APFP Regulations")

Notification under the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (as amended) (the "EIA Regulations")

TO BOOK A MEETING TO DISCUSS HOW THIS PROPOSAL AFFECTS YOUR LAND INTEREST(S) PLEASE CONTACT:

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Norwich to Tilbury Lands Team
The Atrium
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Email: Norwich-Tilbury@fishergerman.co.uk

MEETINGS ARE AVAILABLE FROM 19 MARCH 2025.

We are writing to inform you that National Grid Electricity Transmission plc ("National Grid") is carrying out further targeted statutory consultation on proposed changes to part of the project called Norwich to Tilbury ("the Project"). This consultation, combined with previous rounds of consultation, relates to a proposed application to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero ("the Secretary of State") under the Planning Act 2008 (the "Act") for a Development Consent Order ("DCO") for the Project.

This targeted statutory consultation runs from **12 noon 18 March 2025 to 11:59 pm 17 April 2025.**

Following the close of our previous statutory consultation, which took place between 10 April and 26 July 2024, the National Grid Project team has been reviewing feedback received during that consultation, as well as considering the findings of further assessments including environmental surveys, and considering

where there is potential to make further changes to our proposals. A number of potential localised changes are being considered, and we are asking people in close proximity to these changes to provide their feedback. No final decisions have been made on the proposed changes.

We are writing to you now because we believe your land interest(s) may be affected by changes we are proposing to a part of the Project and as such our consultation with you here is statutory under Section 42 of the Act.

In accordance with paragraph 6.3.1 of the Statement of Community Consultation ("SoCC") that was prepared for the summer 2024 statutory consultation, this targeted statutory consultation on proposed changes to the connection at Tilbury (Thurrock 3) will be undertaken, so far as relevant, practicable and proportionate for the proposed changes and the vicinity of the community and land affected, in accordance with the principles and methods set out in that SoCC.

The SoCC should be read alongside the additional Targeted Statutory Consultation Strategy, which explains how National Grid will undertake this targeted statutory consultation, where the further consultation documents can be viewed, where public events will be held and how people can comment on the proposed changes and provide responses to this targeted statutory consultation.

The Project

The Project is a proposal by National Grid to upgrade the electricity transmission system in East Anglia between Norwich and Tilbury, comprising:

- a new 400 kilovolt ("kV") electricity transmission connection of approximately 180 kilometres ("km") in overall length from Norwich Main Substation via Bramford Substation and a new Tilbury North Substation, into Tilbury Substation comprising:
    - approximately 159 km of new overhead line supported on approximately 510 steel lattice pylons (approximately 50 metres ("m") in height) some of which are gantries (typically up to 15 m in height) within proposed Cable Sealing End ("CSE") compounds, or existing or proposed substations; and
    - approximately 22 km of 400 kV underground cabling some of which is located through the Dedham Vale National Landscape (formerly known as Dedham Vale AONB);
- seven new CSE compounds, each with a permanent access, to connect the overhead lines to the underground cables;
- a new 400 kV East Anglia Connection Node ("EACN") substation, with a new permanent access, on the Tendring Peninsula. This is proposed to be an Air Insulated Switchgear ("AIS") substation;
- a new 400 kV Tilbury North Substation to the south of Orsett Golf Course in Thurrock with access options. This is proposed to be a Gas Insulated Switchgear (GIS) substation;
- modifications to the existing National Grid Electricity Transmission overhead lines, including into and out of the new 400 kV Tilbury North and access options.
- substation extension works at the existing Norwich Main and Bramford substations to connect and support operation of the new transmission connection; and
- temporary works associated with the construction of the Project

Third party utilities diversions and / or modifications would also be required to facilitate the construction of the Project. There would also be land required for mitigation, compensation and enhancement of the environment including Biodiversity Net Gain.

As well as the permanent infrastructure, land would also be required temporarily for construction activities including, for example, working areas for construction equipment and machinery, site offices, welfare, storage and temporary construction access.

The Project would be designed, constructed and operated in accordance with applicable health and safety legislation. The Project would also need to comply with design safety standards including the National Electricity Transmission System ("NETS") Security and Quality of Supply Standard, which sets out the criteria and methodology for planning and operating the NETS. This informs a suite of National

Grid policies and processes, which contain details on design standards required to be met when designing, constructing and operating assets such as proposed for the Project.

Norwich to Tilbury will play a vital role in delivering electricity efficiently, reliably, and safely and will support the UK's move to reduce carbon emissions and we are committed to working with local communities as we develop our plans.

National Grid expects the Project to be classified as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project ("NSIP") and to require consent from the Secretary of State via a DCO. The development consent being sought would include a number of other provisions, including those for the compulsory acquisition of land and interests in and rights over land, overriding easements and other rights, the temporary use of land, and other ancillary powers, if necessary, to construct and maintain the Project.

This targeted statutory consultation will focus on the changes proposed following the feedback received from the previous statutory consultation mentioned above.

The proposed changes being consulted on are:

- new 400 kV Tilbury North Substation to the south of Orsett Golf Course in Thurrock with access options. This is proposed to be a Gas Insulated Switchgear (GIS) substation; and
- modifications to the proposed and existing National Grid Electricity Transmission overhead lines into and out of the new 400 kV Tilbury North Substation, including two new CSE compounds and access options.

Previous statutory consultation and information on environmental effects

The Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment ("EIA") development, as defined by the EIA Regulations and is currently in the pre-application stage of the DCO application process.

As part of that process, during the statutory consultation which took place from 10 April to 26 July 2024, we sought views on the potential environmental effects of the proposed Project and if consultees had suggestions for reducing these effects (for example, through mitigation measures). This information was detailed in the 2024 Preliminary Environmental Information Report ("the 2024 PEIR").

Following our analysis, the proposed changes would not materially change the conclusions reported within the 2024 PEIR published as part of the summer 2024 statutory consultation. For more information on the local environmental implications of the proposed changes please refer to the Environmental Implications of Change ("EIC") document, where proportionate and appropriate information on the environmental implications of the proposed changes are presented in an easily accessible form.

An Environmental Statement will subsequently be prepared in accordance with the EIA Regulations and will accompany the application for development consent.

The 2024 PEIR and an EIC for the proposed changes is available to review on our Project website within the document library, which can be accessed at: nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury

Enclosed with this letter

Enclosed with this letter is a Feedback Questionnaire and a Freepost envelope.

Consultation materials

Information on the proposed changes being consulted on as part of this targeted statutory consultation can be found at nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury. There you will find a consultation leaflet, a Consultation Summary Document including maps and a corresponding EIC, for the proposed changes. Separately from this letter you should also receive a copy of our consultation leaflet.

In addition, the materials published as part of the summer 2024 statutory consultation remain relevant and available to be viewed on the Project website (nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury), which include:

- Project Background Document.

- Copy of the notice published as part of the summer 2024 statutory consultation under Section 48 of the Act (as the Project is 'EIA Development' for the purposes of the EIA Regulations and as required by Regulation 4 of the APFP Regulations).
- 2024 PEIR and non-technical summary ("NTS") of the 2024 PEIR.
- Project maps/Project area maps showing the extent of the Project.
- Statement of Community Consultation ("SoCC").

Reference copies of the SoCC, the additional Targeted Statutory Consultation Strategy, consultation leaflet, Consultation Summary Document (including maps), EIC and Feedback Questionnaire will also be available to view free of charge from 12 noon on 18 March 2025 for the duration of the targeted statutory consultation which ends at 11:59 pm on 17 April 2025 at the following locations:

Location	Address	Opening hours
Tilbury Library	Civic Square Tilbury RM18 8AD	Monday - 10am – 5 pm Tuesday - 10 am – 7 pm Wednesday – 10 am – 5 pm Thursday - 10 am – 7 pm Friday 10 am – 5 pm Saturday – 10 am - 1pm Sunday - Closed
Chadwell Library	Brentwood Road Chadwell St Mary RM16 4JP	Monday – 10 am – 5 pm Tuesday – 10 am – 5 pm Wednesday – Closed Thursday – 10am - 5 pm Friday - 10 am – 5 pm Saturday – 10am – 1pm Sunday - Closed
East Tilbury Library	Princess Avenue East Tilbury RM18 8ST	Monday – Closed Tuesday – 10 am to 1 pm and 2 pm – 5 pm Wednesday – Closed Thursday 10 am to 1 pm and 2 pm – 5 pm Friday – Closed Saturday – 10 am to 1 pm Sunday - Closed

Prior to attending these locations, it is advised to check opening times.

Copies of current and previous consultation materials and documents can be provided on request by contacting us either by email at contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com or by telephone on 0800 915 2497.

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Responding to the consultation

Responses to this targeted statutory consultation must be received between **12 noon 18 March 2025 and 11:59 pm 17 April 2025**

Responses to this targeted statutory consultation can be submitted online at nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury

Alternatively, you can return a printed copy of the Feedback Questionnaire or a free text response via email: contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com or post: **FREEPOST N TO T** (please write this in capitals, you do not need a stamp).

Requests for paper copies of the technical documents will be reviewed on a case by-case basis. To cover printing costs a reasonable copying charge may apply, to be paid for by the recipient and up-to a maximum value of £500 for the whole suite of consultation documents. Please get in touch with us using the details below if you would like a printed or alternative format copy of materials.

Telephone: 0800 915 2497.

Email: contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com

Following the close of targeted statutory consultation all feedback will be collated, reviewed and analysed to understand key themes and concerns. Our proposals will be reviewed and, where practicable, refined in light of feedback.

We may be required to make copies of representations available to the Secretary of State. However, we will request that personal details are not placed on the public record. Personal details will be held securely in accordance with the relevant data protection legislation and will be used solely in connection with the consultation process and the development of this Project and, except as noted above, will not be disclosed to any third parties. National Grid's privacy policy can be found on its website: https://www.nationalgrid.com/privacy-policy.

If you have any questions about the Project, please don't hesitate to contact us at the above postal or email address.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully

[redacted]

Project Director

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S42(1)(d) consultee list

S42(1)(d) Consultees- Targeted Consultation: Thurrock 3

This appendix provides a list of those PILs consulted on the Thurrock 3 change.

The table includes the category of the interest (for the purposes of section 44) and the dates between which the interest was consulted.

Table L29.1 Interests that were consulted w/c 14 March 2025, under section 42(1)(d) of PA 2008

PIL ID	CCZ Area	Consultee	Category	Type of interest	Consultation Dates
194	Thurrock 3	[redacted]	1	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
1513	Thurrock 3		1	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
1924	Thurrock 3		1	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
2457	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
2723	Thurrock 3		1	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
3390	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
3787	Thurrock 3		1	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
3817	Thurrock 3		1	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
4759	Thurrock 3		1	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
4868	Thurrock 3		1	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
5240	Thurrock 3		1	Freehold, Leasehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
5249	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
5955	Thurrock 3		1	Freehold, Occupation	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
6031	Thurrock 3		1	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
6086	Thurrock 3		1	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
6205	Thurrock 3		1	Freehold, Leasehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25

PIL ID	CCZ Area	Consultee	Category	Type of interest	Consultation Dates
8407	Thurrock 3	[redacted]	1	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
8641	Thurrock 3		1	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
8684	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
8711	Thurrock 3		1	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
10201	Thurrock 3		1	Freehold, Leasehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
10209	Thurrock 3		1	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
10225	Thurrock 3		1	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
10450	Thurrock 3		1	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
10941	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
15958	Thurrock 3		1	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
17637	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
24242	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
24243	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
24247	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
24248	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
24281	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
24282	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
24283	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
24284	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25

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24285	Thurrock 3	[redacted]	1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
24286	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
24297	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
24298	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
24301	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
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24325	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
24328	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
24329	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
24332	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
24333	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
24349	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
25205	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25

PIL ID	CCZ Area	Consultee	Category	Type of interest	Consultation Dates
25208	Thurrock 3	[redacted]	1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
25258	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
25259	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
25260	Thurrock 3		1	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
573	Thurrock 3		1,2	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
7104	Thurrock 3		1,2	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
7104	Thurrock 3		1,2	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
10192	Thurrock 3		1,2	Freehold, Occupation	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
10292	Thurrock 3		1,2	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
10298	Thurrock 3		1,2	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
10369	Thurrock 3		1,2	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
20720	Thurrock 3		1,2	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
10133	Thurrock 3		2	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
10156	Thurrock 3		2	Freehold, Leasehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
10163	Thurrock 3		2	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25

PIL ID	CCZ Area	Consultee	Category	Type of interest	Consultation Dates
10208	Thurrock 3	[redacted]	2	Freehold, Leasehold, Occupation	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
10279	Thurrock 3		2	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
10342	Thurrock 3		2	Freehold, Leasehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
10464	Thurrock 3		2	Freehold, Occupation	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
10479	Thurrock 3		2	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
10554	Thurrock 3		2	Freehold, Leasehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
10557	Thurrock 3		2	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
14203	Thurrock 3		2	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
14206	Thurrock 3		2	Freehold, Mortgage	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
14208	Thurrock 3		2	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
14212	Thurrock 3		2	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
14220	Thurrock 3		2	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
14223	Thurrock 3		2	Freehold, Occupation	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
15820	Thurrock 3		2	Freehold	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
15828	Thurrock 3		2	Freehold, Leasehold, Occupation	18/03/25 - 17/04/25

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16864	Thurrock 3	[redacted]	2	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
24222	Thurrock 3		2	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
24250	Thurrock 3		2	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
24357	Thurrock 3		2	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25
25195	Thurrock 3		2	#N/A	18/03/25 - 17/04/25

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Return to sender information

Return to Sender - S42(1)(d) Consultees- Targeted Consultation: Norfolk and Suffolk

This appendix provides the Return to Sender information for S42(1)(d) consultees for the Norfolk and Suffolk targeted consultation.

The table includes the category of the interest (for the purposes of section 44), the reason for the return to sender and the action taken.

Table LK29.1 Return to sender information for Interests that were consulted during the Thurrock 3 non-statutory targeted consultation, under section 42(1)(d) of PA 2008

PIL ID	Consultation	Consultee	Category	Type of interest	Reason	Action
0	Thurrock 3	[redacted]				Received (meeting requested) no POD
10554	Thurrock 3		1,2,3	Freehold, Leasehold		Letter re-issued to PIL and land agent
0	Thurrock 3					Letter re-issued
0	Thurrock 3					Received (meeting requested) no POD
10133	Thurrock 3		3	Freehold		Letter re-issued

Appendix K30

Land agent correspondence

From:	Norwich toTilbury
Sent:	18 March 2025 15:48
To:	Norwich toTilbury
Subject:	Norwich to Tilbury Targeted Consultation - Phase 3

Dear all,

National Grid and the Norwich to Tilbury project is about to commence a mailout of additional localised s.42(1)(d) notices. This is in response to feedback from last year's statutory consultation, where potential changes to the proposed route have been identified in some areas – these areas will form part of Targeted Consultations. To inform the decision-making process, we are offering the opportunity for those persons with an interest in land, within these locations, to provide feedback on the potential changes. In addition to the s.42(1)(d) pack, which includes a feedback questionnaire, your client will also receive a separate mailing with a covering letter, a leaflet with maps and an EIC (Environmental Implications of Change) leaflet explaining the change in their area.

We will shortly be sending individual emails to agents detailing which of your clients will be contacted.

Fisher German are offering online meetings during the consultation period from Tuesday 18th March to Thursday 17th April 2025 , to all affected persons with an interest in land and their agents, and will be able to share plans showing how the specific change affects their holding at that time.
During this period, we will be prioritising meetings with persons with an interest in land within the locations. We will be in touch in due course regarding your other clients who remain affected, however do not fall within these current identified locations.

To arrange a meeting please contact the team on 0808 175 3314

Kind regards

From: Norwich toTilbury
Sent: 16:26
To: [redacted]
Cc: ry
Subject: Norwich to Tilbury Targeted Consultation - Phase 3 - CLIENTS
Attachments: 14428-NG-N2T-Thurrock 3-Consultation Leaflet-V8.pdf

Dea [redacted]

Following the email sent earlier today regarding the Norwich to Tilbury Targeted Consultation, please see below a list of your clients who fall within one of the Targeted consultation zones, and which Consultation area(s) their land sits within:

[redacted] we have also contacted their other agent) – Thurrock 3
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If you would like to arrange an online meeting for any of these clients, please get in touch and we will suggest some dates and times we can accommodate.

Please let us know if there are any dates to avoid.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries regarding the Targeted Consultation

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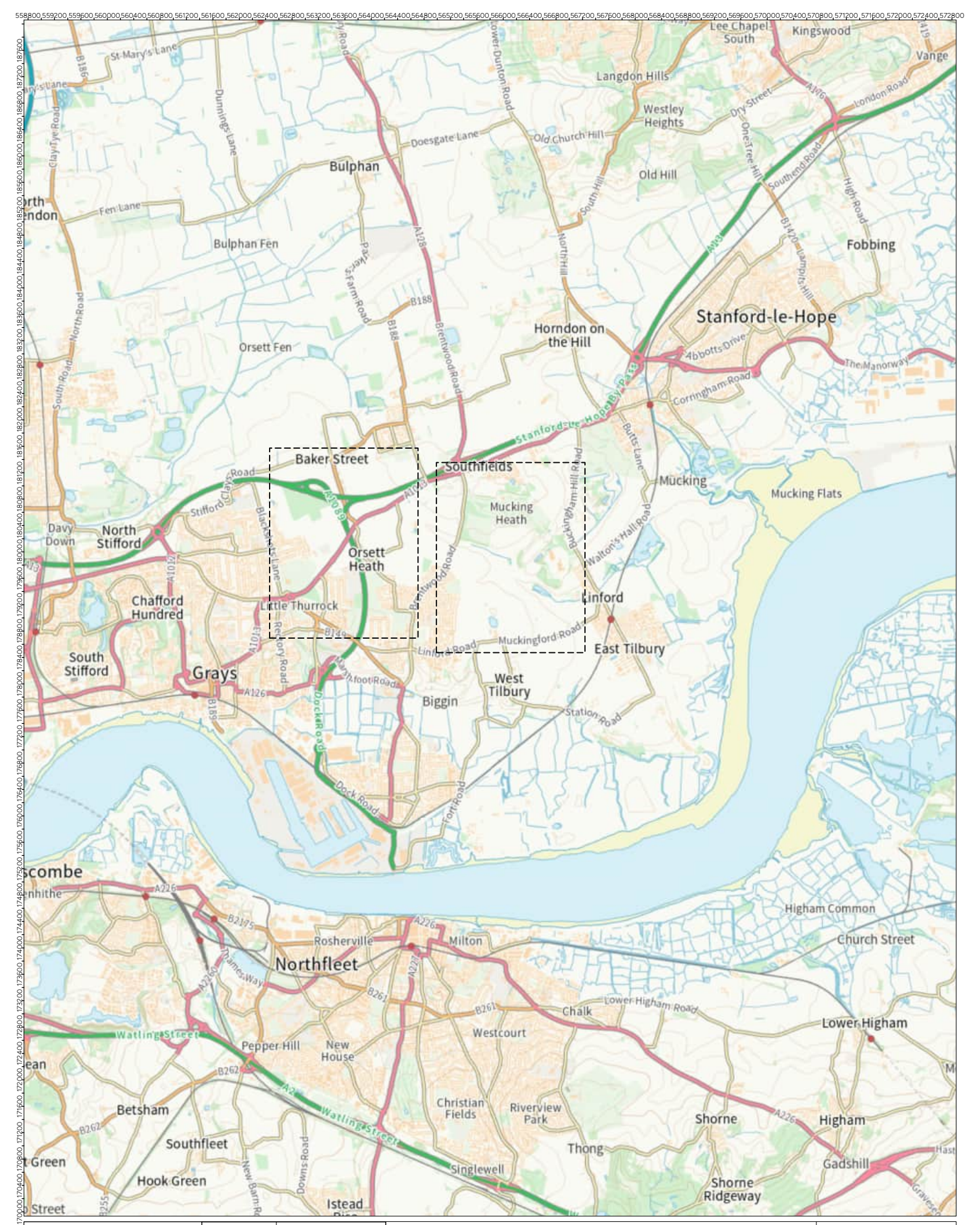
Appendix K31

Locations of Section 42 notices on site

Appendix K31.1

Overview location map



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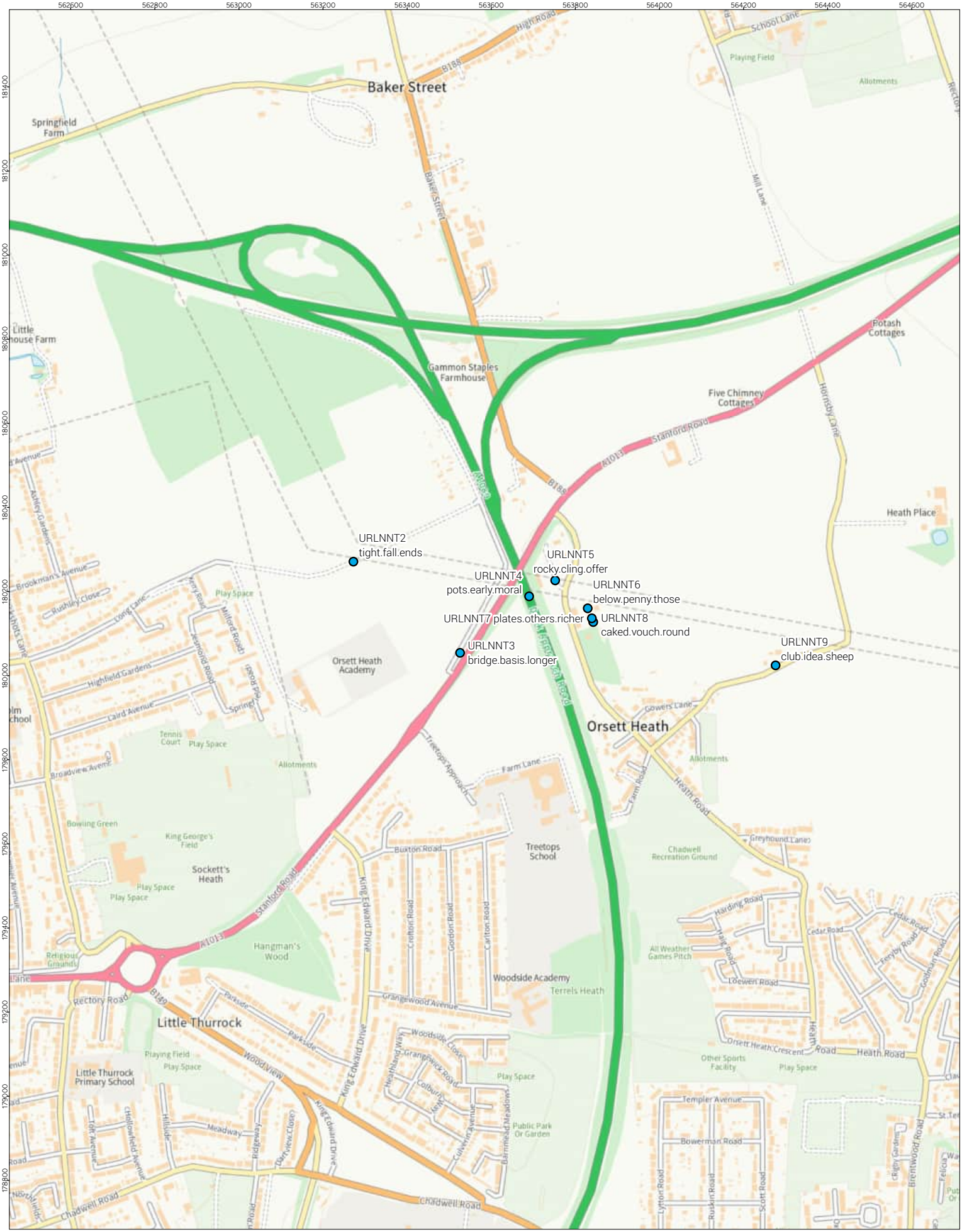

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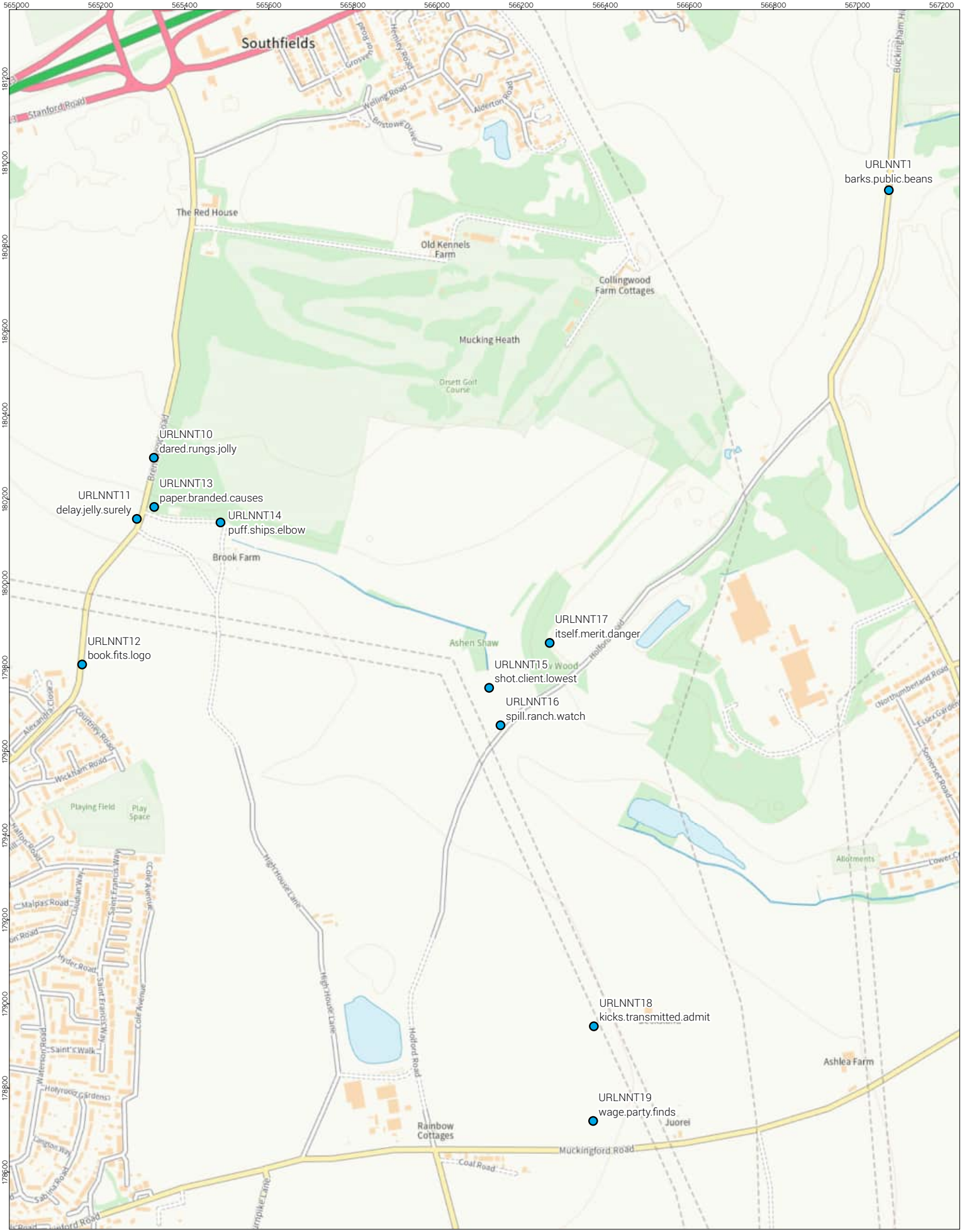

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Section 47 notice in newspapers

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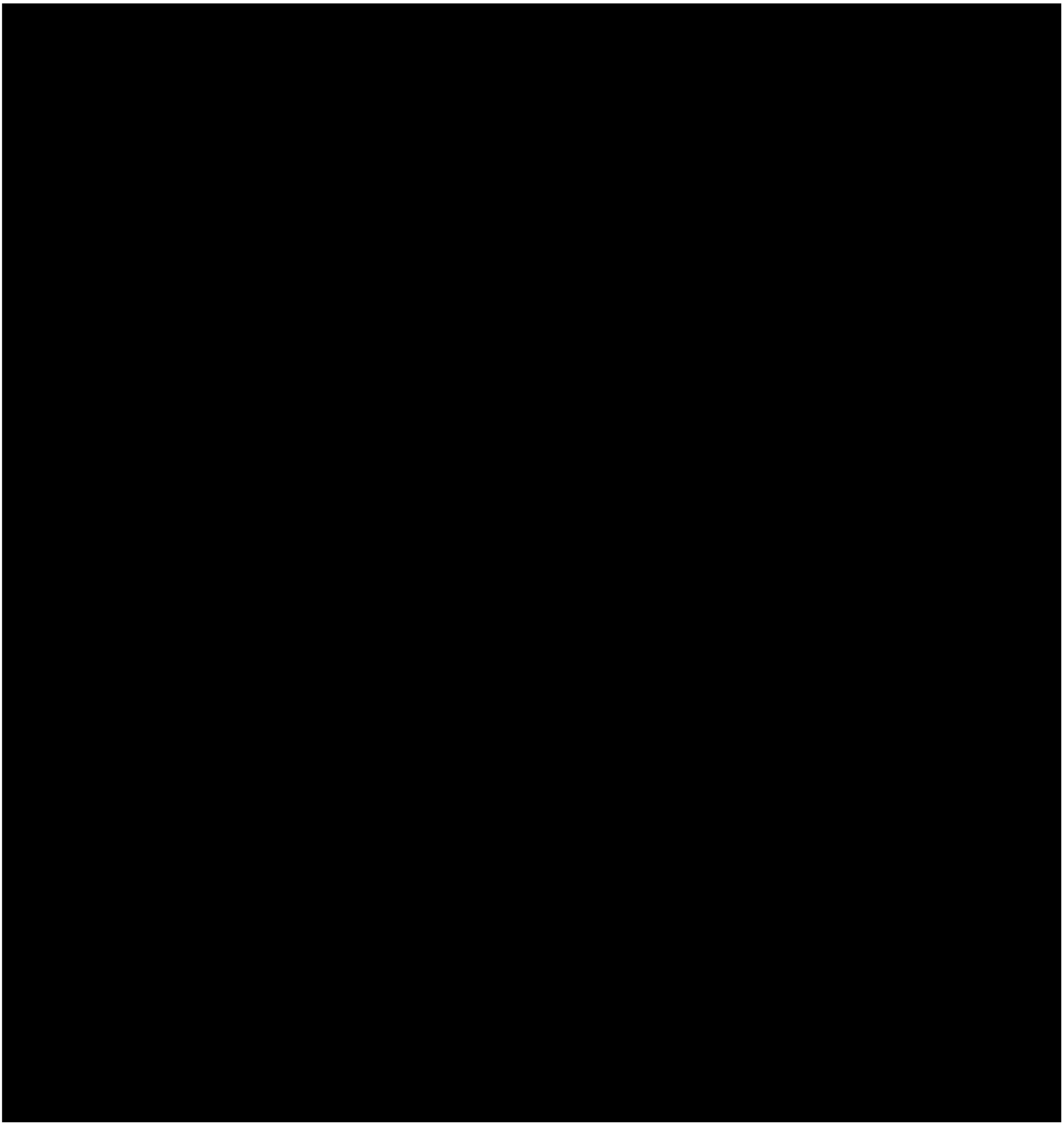

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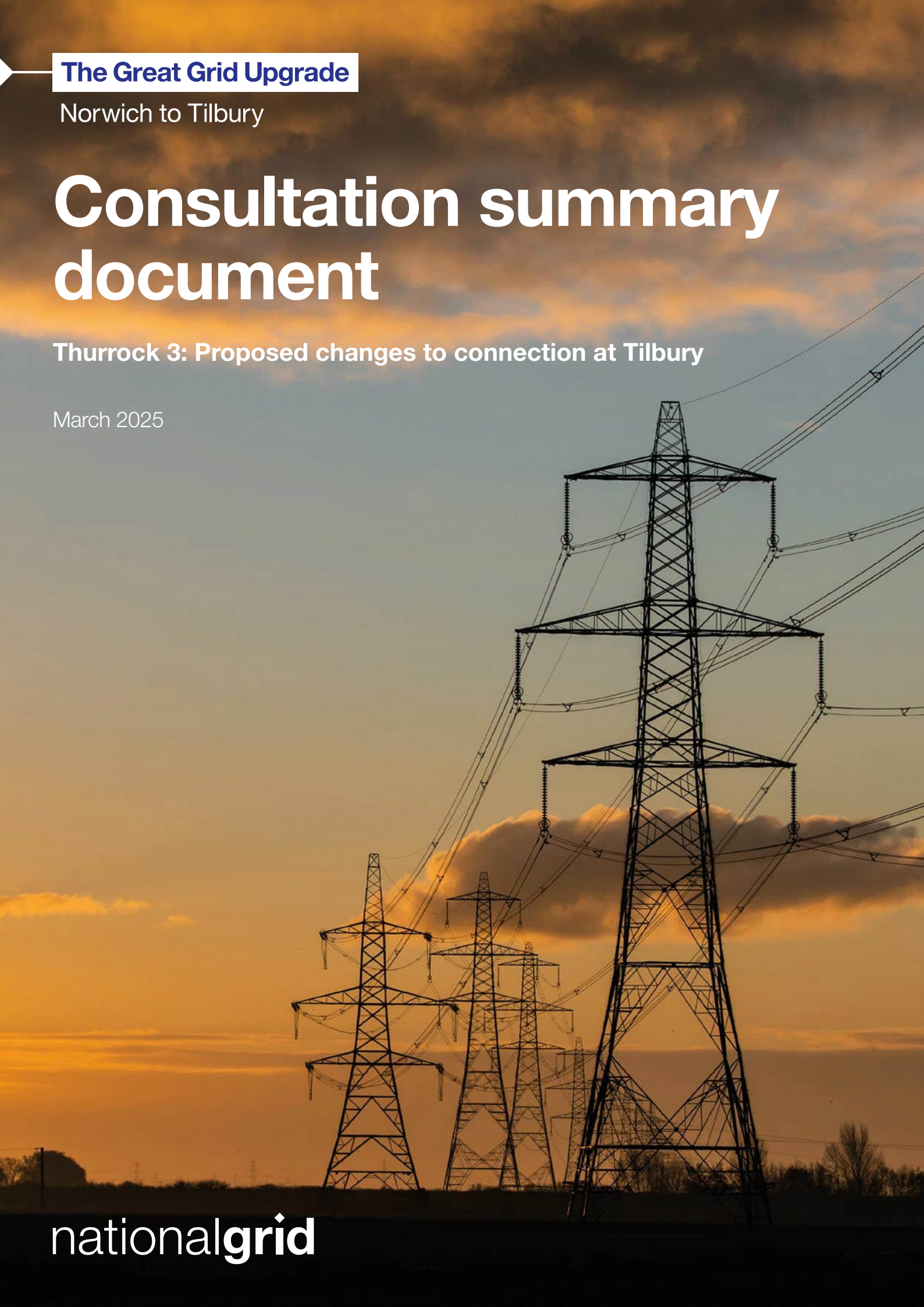

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About National Grid

National Grid delivers electricity safely, reliably and efficiently to the customers and communities we serve – all while working towards building a cleaner, fairer and more affordable energy system for the future.

The parts of National Grid involved in ensuring we all have the essential electricity supplies we need are shown in the diagram below. Each is a separate legal entity with its own role and responsibilities across England and Wales.

National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET), referred to in this document as National Grid, sits at the heart of Britain's energy system, connecting millions of people and businesses to the energy they use every day.

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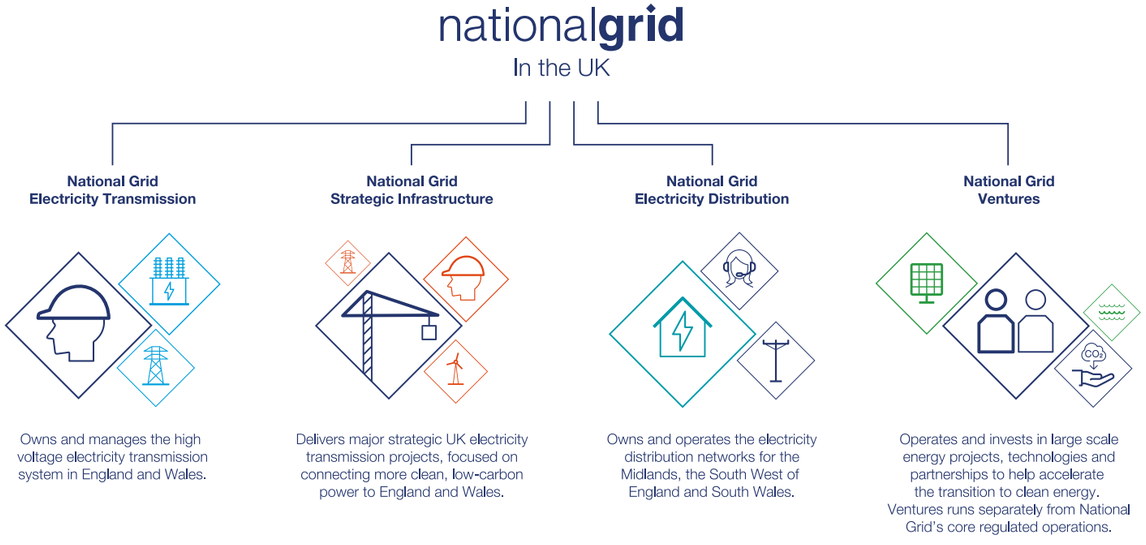

Figure 1.1 – Structure of National Grid in the UK

The Great Grid Upgrade: Norwich to Tilbury

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We are investing for the future, connecting more and more low carbon electricity to our network and playing a crucial role in turning the UK's net zero ambitions into reality.

By the end of the decade, there could be as much as 18 gigawatts (GW) of new, cleaner electricity – enough to power around 18 million homes – connected into the East Anglian network. Ensuring this energy can reach homes and businesses means we need to improve our onshore energy infrastructure, much of which was built to accommodate less demand.

Norwich to Tilbury is a proposal by National Grid Electricity Transmission (National Grid) to reinforce the high voltage power network in East Anglia between the existing substations at Norwich Main in Norfolk, Bramford in Suffolk, and Tilbury in Essex, as well as connect new offshore wind generation.

Therefore, we are proposing to build approximately 180 kilometres (km) of new electricity transmission reinforcement between Norwich and Tilbury. This will be made up mostly of overhead line and pylons, along with some underground cables and two new 400 kilovolts (kV) substations.

We have been consulting communities in Norfolk, Suffolk and Essex for the last three years and are now refining our proposals. For more information on Norwich to Tilbury and on our previous consultations please visit our website – **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**.

For now, there are some changes in your local area and we would like to hear your views, so please read on.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are presenting a change to our proposals, specifically the substation connection point at the southern end of the route in your area.

Rather than connecting at the existing Tilbury Substation, we are now proposing a new Tilbury North Substation 5 km to the north, close to Orsett and between the villages of Linford and Chadwell St Mary. The substation would be located where we had previously proposed to build a cable sealing end (CSE) compound.

The Norwich to Tilbury project would connect into the national electricity transmission system through the new substation and a modification of the existing overhead line (known as YYJ). The YYJ line already connects to the existing Tilbury substation.

We would also need to underground a section of a second existing overhead line (known as ZB) to avoid crossing with the new lines coming out of the substation.

The proposed change removes the need to construct approximately 4.5 km of underground cabling and we would no longer need to extend the existing Tilbury Substation.

You can see the alignment we presented at our 2024 statutory consultation on page 10 of this document as well as our proposed changes, including the new substation on page 11.

The change is being proposed in response to feedback about the potential interactions with a number of existing and proposed developments in the area, including potential impact on economic growth opportunities at the Freeport and challenging construction sections to cross under existing infrastructure.

How we are consulting

We have chosen to hold further targeted consultations to provide stakeholders and the public with the opportunity to provide feedback on these proposed changes before we finalise our proposals for submission. As these changes would not fundamentally change the project as a whole, a targeted consultation approach is proposed, which is in line with guidance (Planning Act 2008:Pre-application stage for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects, paragraph 020) issued in April 2024 by the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (now Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government):

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- *the level of public interest, and the likelihood that such interest would merit further consideration in the context of that change.*

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"Targeted consultation can be statutory or non-statutory or a combination of the two depending on whether new persons needing to be consulted under section 42 of the Planning Act have been identified, but such targeted consultation will not require the production of PEI provided proportionate and appropriate information on environmental implications of any changes, where necessary, is provided."

The consultation for Thurrock 3: proposed changes to connection at Tilbury is a targeted statutory community consultation as the proposed changes to the existing overhead lines and primary access routes may affect communities, residents and landowners in the vicinity of the area that have not been consulted before.

Targeted consultation on proposed changes to the connection at Tilbury

The deadline for providing feedback to this targeted consultation is 11:59pm on Thursday 17 April 2025.

We are holding a targeted statutory consultation where we are considering changes to the project presented to the public at the statutory consultation in summer 2024.

Since the close of the statutory consultation in 2024, we have reviewed and considered all consultation feedback and continued to carry out further assessments and survey work to inform our proposals. As a result, we are now considering making some changes to our proposals at a number of locations, including some proposed changes to the connection at Tilbury. These potential changes do not materially change the effects or fundamentally change the project as a whole.

These proposed changes would reduce the length of the underground cabling and replace a previously proposed CSE compound with a substation. We are also proposing some additional works to the existing infrastructure in the area – including modifications to the existing overhead lines – to enable the electrical connection into the existing Tilbury Substation via the new substation.

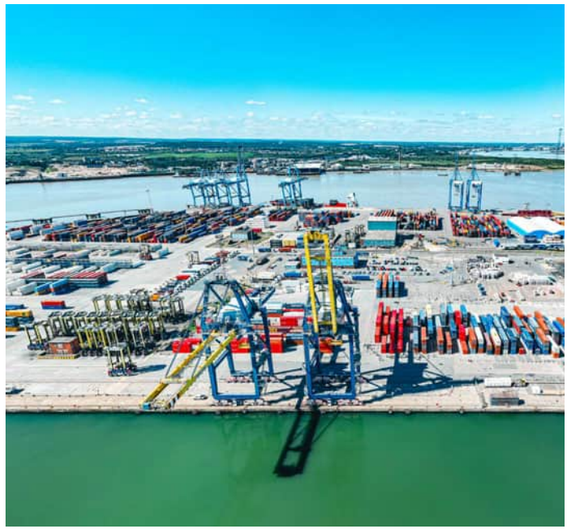
We intend to submit our application for development consent for the Norwich to Tilbury project in summer 2025. Before we finalise our proposals, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes at this location.

We are consulting on Thurrock 3: the proposed changes to the connection at Tilbury between 18 March and 17 April 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

You can view all the documents we presented during the summer last year, as well as at earlier non-statutory consultations, in the document library on our project website – **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**.

Consideration of alternatives

Our initial site selection process for a new substation identified six potential locations.



Potential sites to the south of Church Road weren't considered as they would be within flood storage areas or conflict with land being used for development proposals in the Tilbury Substation area. Sites to the north beyond the A13 near Orsett Fen weren't considered as they would present an extensive flood risk.

The six sites we identified were assessed against a range of different, technical, environmental, socio-economic, programme and costs factors, as well as the relevant planning policy guidance to determine the most suitable site.

Following this process, we consider the proposed location we are showing in this consultation would be the most suitable. Building a new substation here would:

- avoid interaction with the Thames Freeport development
- avoid the area of focus for the potential Thames Estuary Marshes SSSI designation
- allow for the crossing of the proposed Lower Thames Crossing development by overhead line rather than underground cable.

Not needing to construct underground cabling would also reduce any temporary landscape and visual effects, and impacts on users of Public Rights of Way and Common Land at West Tilbury.

For further information on our site selection process, you can read the Design Development Report, which is available to view in the document library of our project website – **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**.

New Tilbury North Substation

This change includes a proposal to build a new 400 kV Gas Insulated Switchgear (GIS) substation and modifications to the existing National Grid Electricity Transmission overhead lines.

You can see a map of the proposed location for the new substation on page 11 of this document.

We are proposing a GIS design as opposed to an Air Insulated Substation (AIS) in line with National Grid guidance for substations which are located less than 5 km from saline or marine environments. The GIS substation would need less land than an AIS substation.

The proposed GIS substation would be located in a secure compound with an operational footprint of approximately 340 metres (m) x 300 m. The height would be approximately 15 m excluding any requirement for landscaping and overhead line or cable connections.

This will include:

- new GIS hall building (approximately 130 m x 20 m and 15 m in height)
- annex building (approximately 130 m x 10 m and 5 m in height)
- exterior and interior lighting
- internal access and circulation
- associated plant and apparatus
- drainage
- security fencing (approximately 4 m in height)
- two access options into the site.

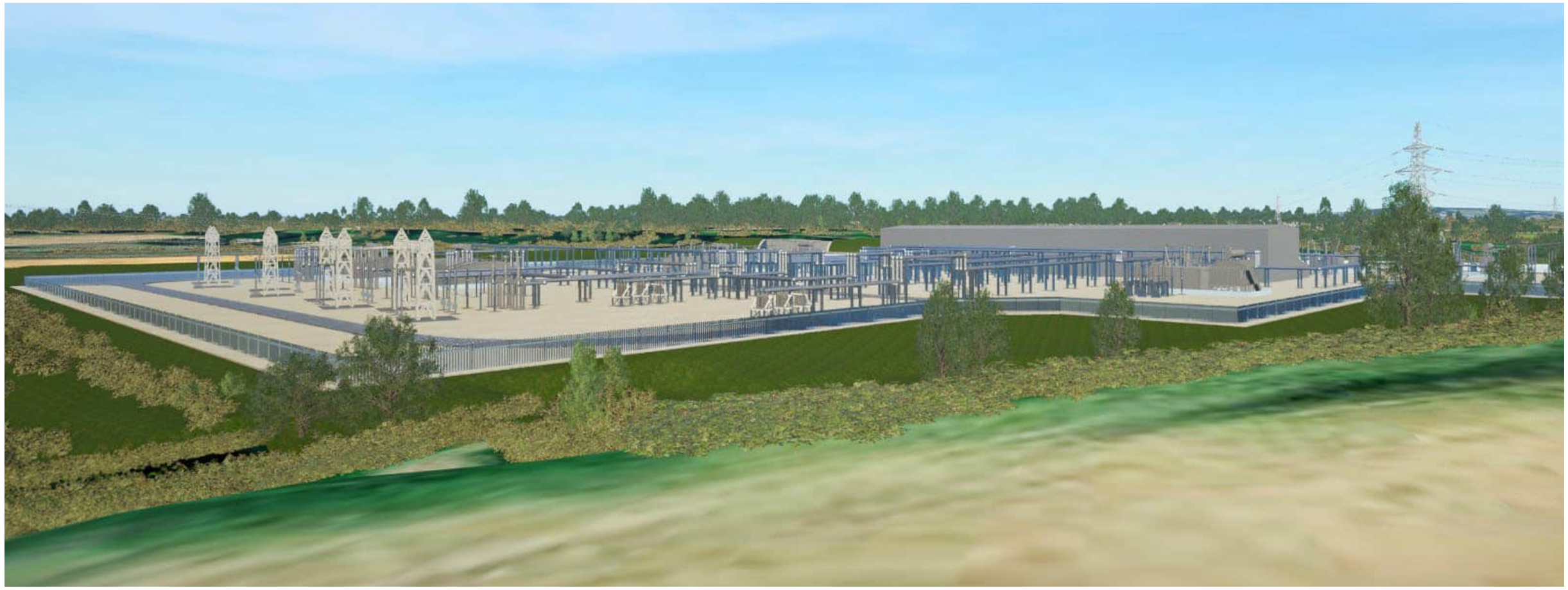
There are primarily two different types of substation – air insulated switchgear (AIS) substations and gas insulated switchgear (GIS) substations. AIS relies on air as the insulation medium for electrical components and is the most common type, which accounts for more than 70 per cent of substations all over the world, while GIS uses gas insulation.

What is a substation and why is it needed

Transmission substations are used to connect big energy projects to the UK's electricity grid.

Substations contain equipment that helps keep our electricity transmission and distribution systems running as smoothly as possible, without repeated failure or downtime. This includes protection equipment, which detects and clears faults in the network.

The substation at Tilbury North would enable the connection of the new Norwich to Tilbury overhead line into existing the national electricity transmission network via the existing overhead lines.



3D visualisation of the proposed Tilbury North Substation

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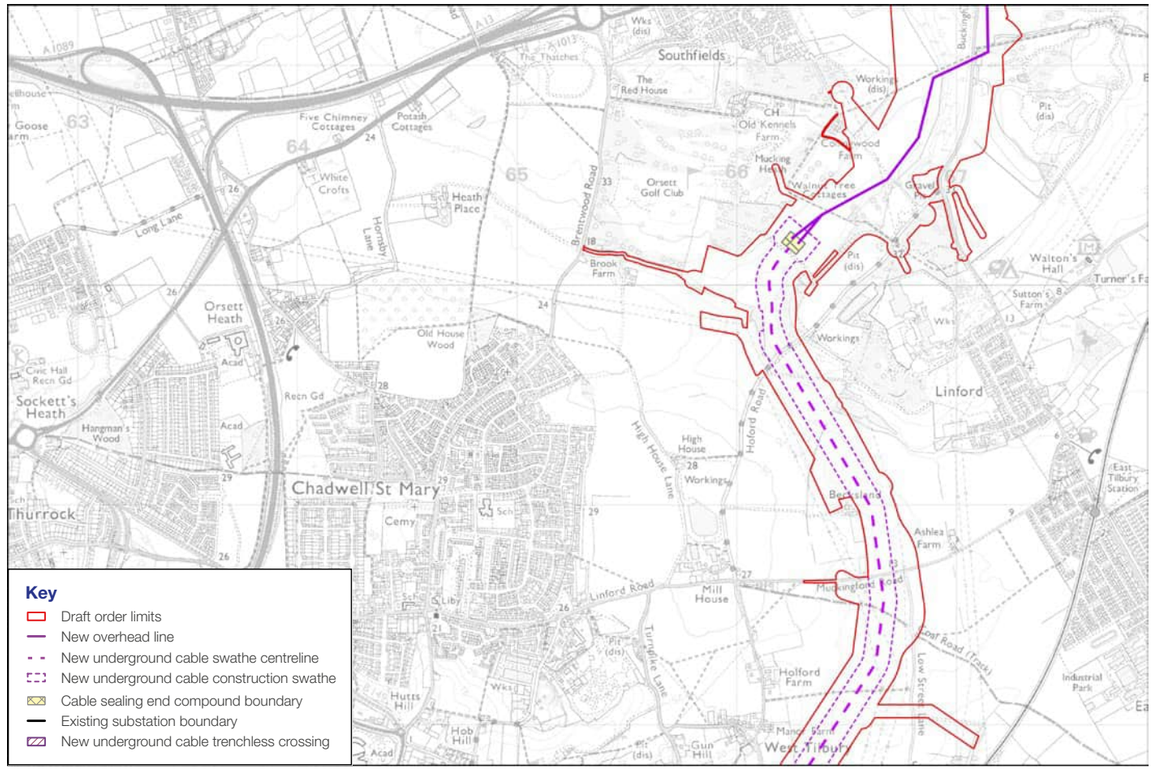

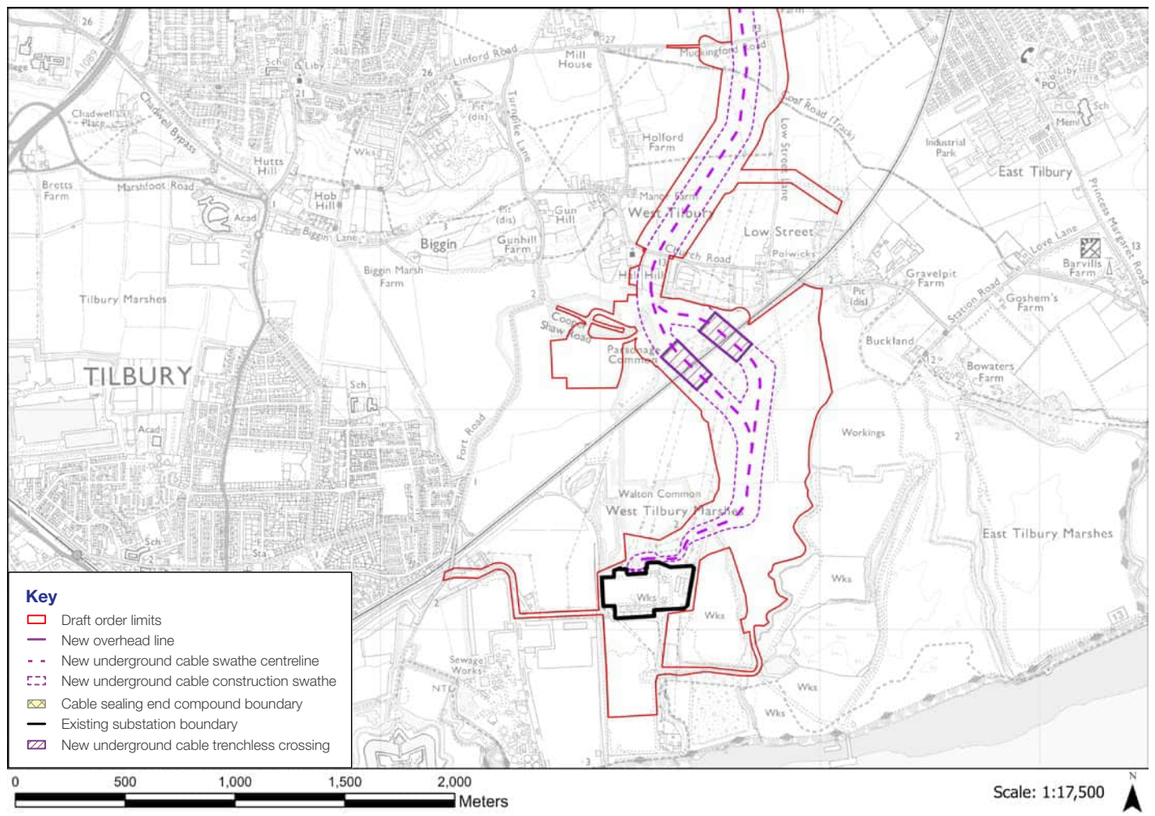

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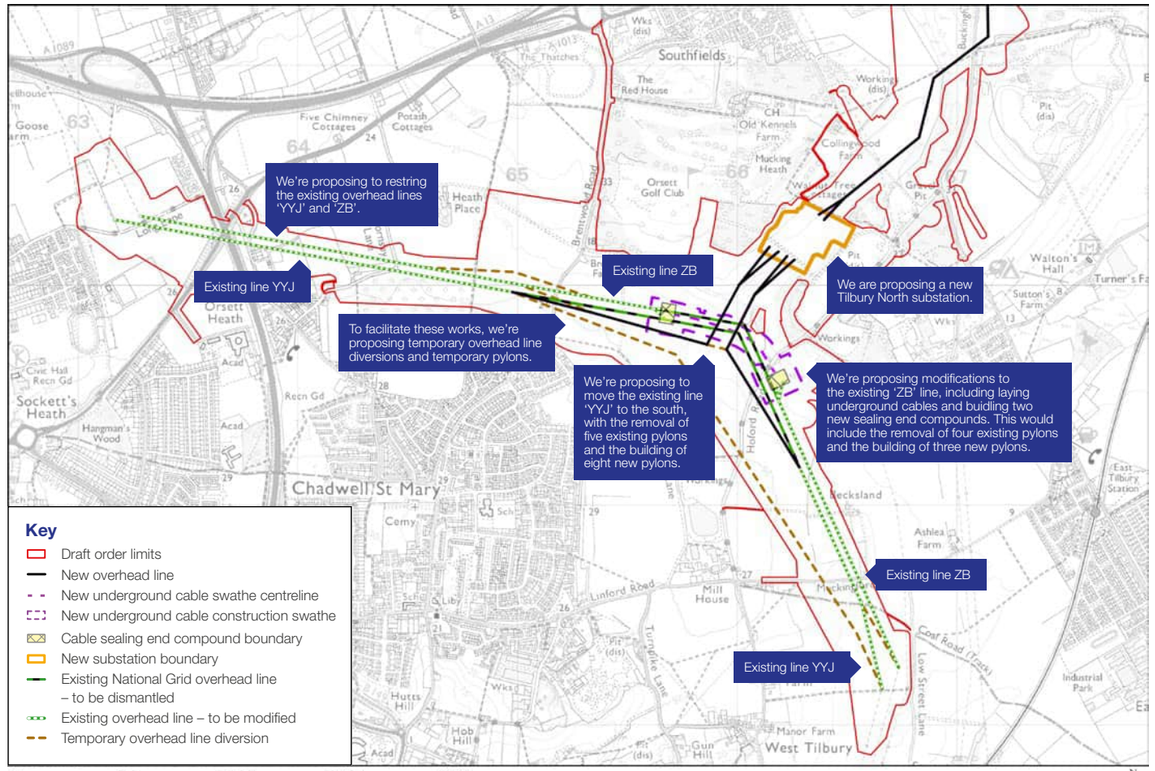

Modifications to the existing overhead lines

Should the proposed change be carried forward, sections of the existing YYJ and ZB National Grid Electricity Transmission overhead lines (marked on the map above) would require modification to facilitate the connection of the existing transmission network into the Tilbury North Substation.

As part of this change, we would need to make modifications to two existing National Grid overhead lines to connect into the new Tilbury North Substation (marked on the map above). The existing line which we call 'YYJ' would be moved south. We would need to remove five existing pylons and build eight new pylons.

The modification of the existing line we call 'ZB' would involve laying approximately 0.55 km underground cables and the construction of two new cable sealing end (CSE) compounds, each with a permanent access. These access routes are marked on the map located on page 12 as well as on the maps available in the document library of our project website. This would avoid the ZB line crossing with the new lines coming out of the substation. We would need to build three new pylons and would remove four existing pylons.

In order to keep the power running through the lines, we would need to build some temporary overhead line diversions and temporary pylons. These temporary diversions would be required for a minimum of two years. If temporary pylons are required, they will be approximately 50 m in height.

Three access routes are proposed for works to the existing transmission network:

- via Stanford Road/Heath Road
- via Stanford Road/Gammonfields Way
- via Marshfoot Road/Muckingford Road (Light Goods Vehicles (LGVs) only).

A map of the proposed access routes can be found on page 12.

Managing impacts

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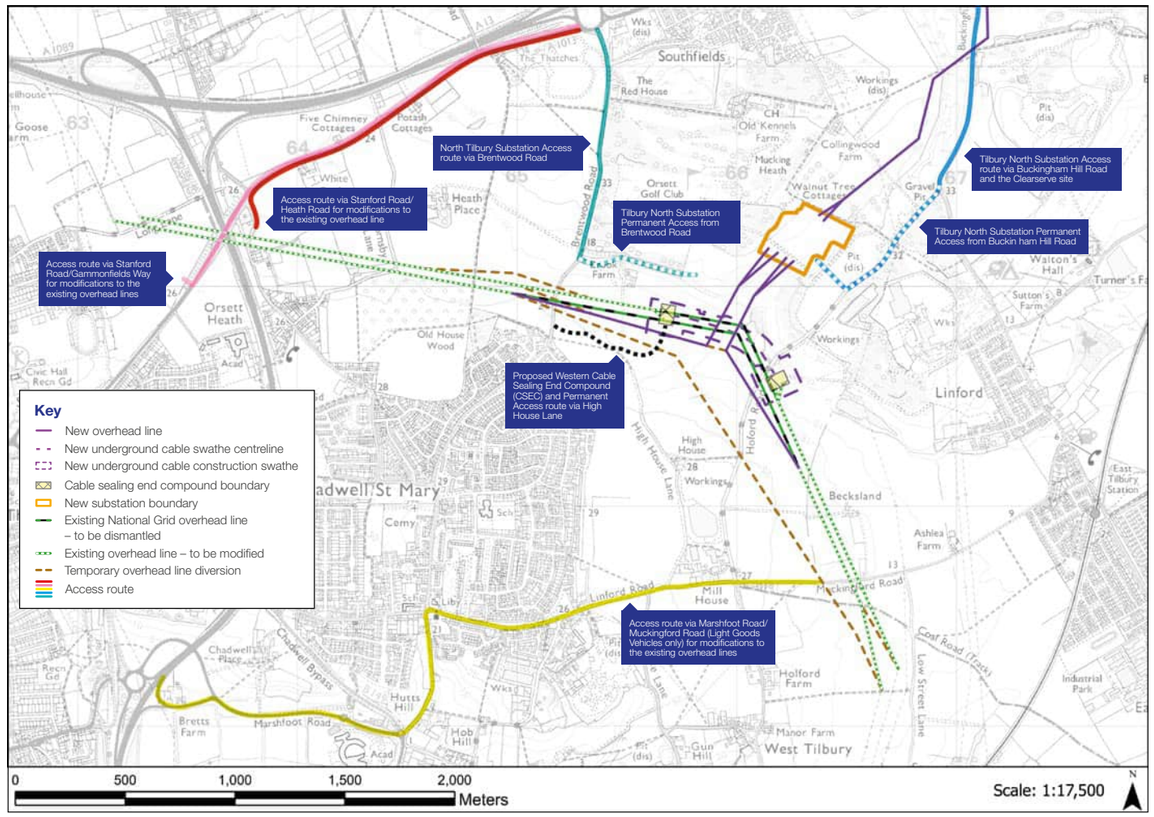

The map above shows the proposed access routes for the new substation and the modifications to the existing overhead lines. For more information and to view the full extent of the access route via Buckingham Hill Road, please view the maps available on our project website.

Traffic and transport impacts

We have also carried out traffic and transport assessments for our proposals for the new Tilbury North Substation.

This includes any potential impact during construction as well as for the day-to-day operation and maintenance of the new substation site.

We are proposing two access options into the proposed Tilbury North Substation for both construction and operational traffic (see map on page 12):

- via Buckingham Hill Road, Hoford Road and then either a temporary haul road (during construction) or a permanent private access road (during operation) across the Clearserve site; and
- via Brentwood Road then either a temporary haul road (during construction) or a permanent private access road (during operation).

These access options have been developed so that we would be able to access the proposed Tilbury North Substation whether or not the Lower Thames Crossing project goes ahead.

You can find more information on potential traffic and transport effects in our Thurrock 3: Environmental Implications of Change document located in the document library on our project website – **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**.

The Lower Thames Crossing is a proposed new road that would connect Kent and Essex through a tunnel beneath the River Thames which is awaiting consent from the Secretary of State. Should the Lower Thames Crossing receive development consent we anticipate access will be via Buckingham Hill Road.

Construction

Building Norwich to Tilbury would involve a range of construction activities, including preparing land and creating temporary haul roads to access work areas, as well as providing temporary areas to store materials, vehicles and staff welfare facilities.

To construct the proposed changes at Thurrock 3 we would need to use a range of different construction techniques.

Building overhead lines

The first step in building overhead lines is to set up a working area where each new pylon will be built.

Foundations are laid, then the pylons are assembled in sections on the ground and craned into position. The number of sections for each pylon would vary according to the size and type of pylon being built.

Once the pylons are built, we hang the wires – or conductors – that carry the electricity. This is known as ‘stringing’. We string a section of approximately ten pylons at a time. The conductor is pulled from one end to the other using large machinery.

The size, height, and spacing of pylons is determined by safety, topographical, operational and environmental considerations.

Installing underground cables

Most underground cables are laid using open trench installation.

Underground cables are installed using ducts which protect and organise cables. Installing ducts means that trenches can be backfilled sooner and underground cables pulled into the ducts at a later date.

In some cases, other trenchless techniques such as micro-tunnelling, boring or Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) would be used where open trench installation is not appropriate. For example, when crossing features such as heavily trafficked highways, rivers or railways.

Temporary construction compounds

Temporary construction compounds are used to support construction activities.

These activities include material loading and unloading, material storage, vehicle parking, siting of welfare facilities, siting of construction cabins and modular offices.

As well as compounds, construction laydown areas and highway mitigation laydown areas would be required to store materials to support construction.

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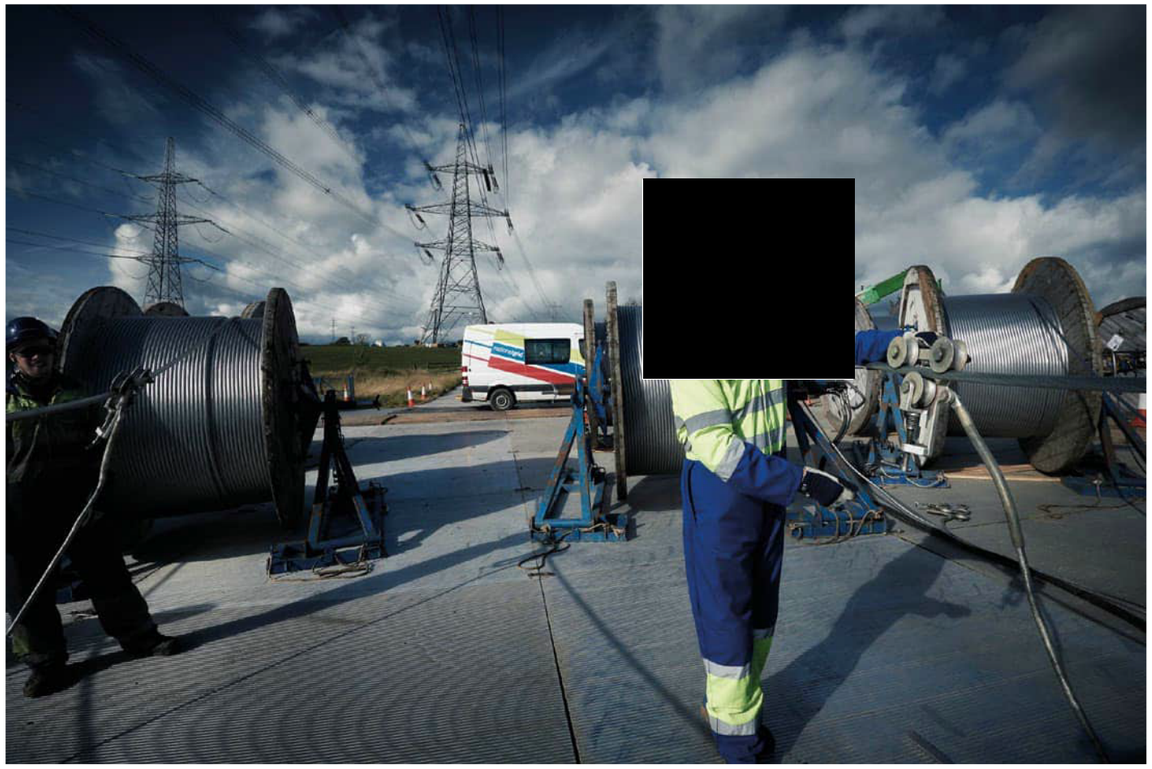

Primary access routes (PAR) and haul roads

PARs are public roads which have been identified to route construction vehicles and HGVs.

They have been identified considering existing highway constraints and avoiding settlements or other sensitive locations where practicable. PARs would connect to a trunk road network along the preferred draft alignment by new site access points which would then connect to haul roads.

Haul roads would be needed to transport all the machinery and materials safely from the public roads to the sites where we would be carrying out construction activities.

Where a haul road connects to the existing public highway, we would need to build a site access point known as a bellmouth junction. These are normally built from the side of fields to minimise disruption to highways.

Where there are environmentally sensitive locations and businesses, we are proposing to divert haul road routes around them wherever practicable. In places we may be seeking highway powers to regulate the movement of vehicles.

Have your say

Our targeted statutory consultation on proposals for the Thurrock 3: Proposed Changes to Connection at Tilbury runs from 12noon Tuesday 18 March to 11:59pm Thursday 17 April 2025.

Attend an in-person event

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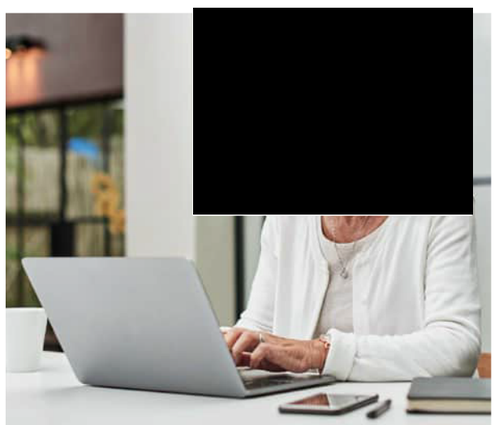

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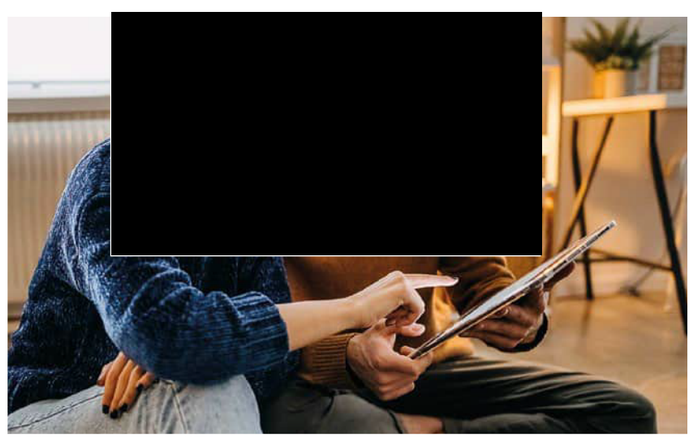

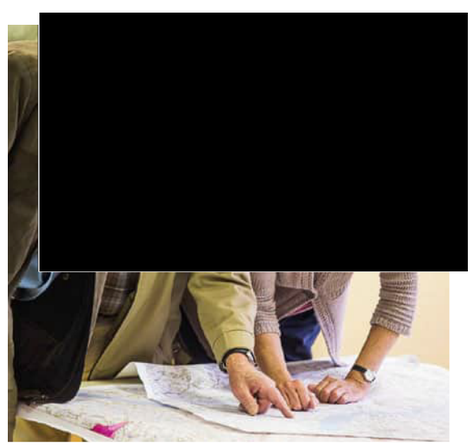

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Targeted consultation

Location reference: Thurrock 3 – proposed changes to connection at Tilbury

12noon Tuesday 18 March to 11:59pm Thursday 17 April 2025

Norwich to Tilbury is a proposal for a new electricity transmission connection. It will play an important part in connecting low carbon, more affordable electricity from where it is generated to where it is needed.

We are holding a targeted statutory consultation where we are considering changes to the project presented to the public at the statutory consultation in summer 2024.

Since the close of the statutory consultation in 2024, we have reviewed and considered all consultation feedback and continued to carry out further assessments and survey work to inform our proposals. As a result, we are now considering making some changes to our proposals at a number of locations, including some proposed changes to the connection at Tilbury. These potential changes do not materially change the effects or fundamentally change the project as a whole.

These proposed changes would reduce the length of the underground cabling and replace a previously proposed cable sealing end (CSE) compound with a substation. We are also proposing some additional works to the existing infrastructure in the area – including modifications to the existing overhead lines - to enable the electrical connection into the existing Tilbury Substation via the new substation.

We intend to submit our application for development consent for the Norwich to Tilbury project in summer 2025. Before we finalise our proposals, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes at this location.

We are consulting on the proposed changes described below and overleaf between 18 March and 17 April 2025 and we welcome your feedback.

You can view all the documents we presented during the summer last year, as well as at earlier non-statutory consultations, in the document library on our project website - **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing a change to the substation connection point at the southern end of the route. Rather than connecting at the existing Tilbury Substation, we are now proposing to build a new Tilbury North Substation 5 kilometres (km) to the north, close to Orsett and between the villages of Linford and Chadwell St Mary. The substation would be located where we had previously proposed to build a CSE compound.

The Norwich to Tilbury project would connect into the national electricity transmission system through the new substation and a modification of the existing overhead line (known as YYJ). The YYJ line already connects to the existing Tilbury substation.

We would also need to underground a section of a second existing overhead line (known as ZB) to avoid crossing with the new lines coming out of the substation.

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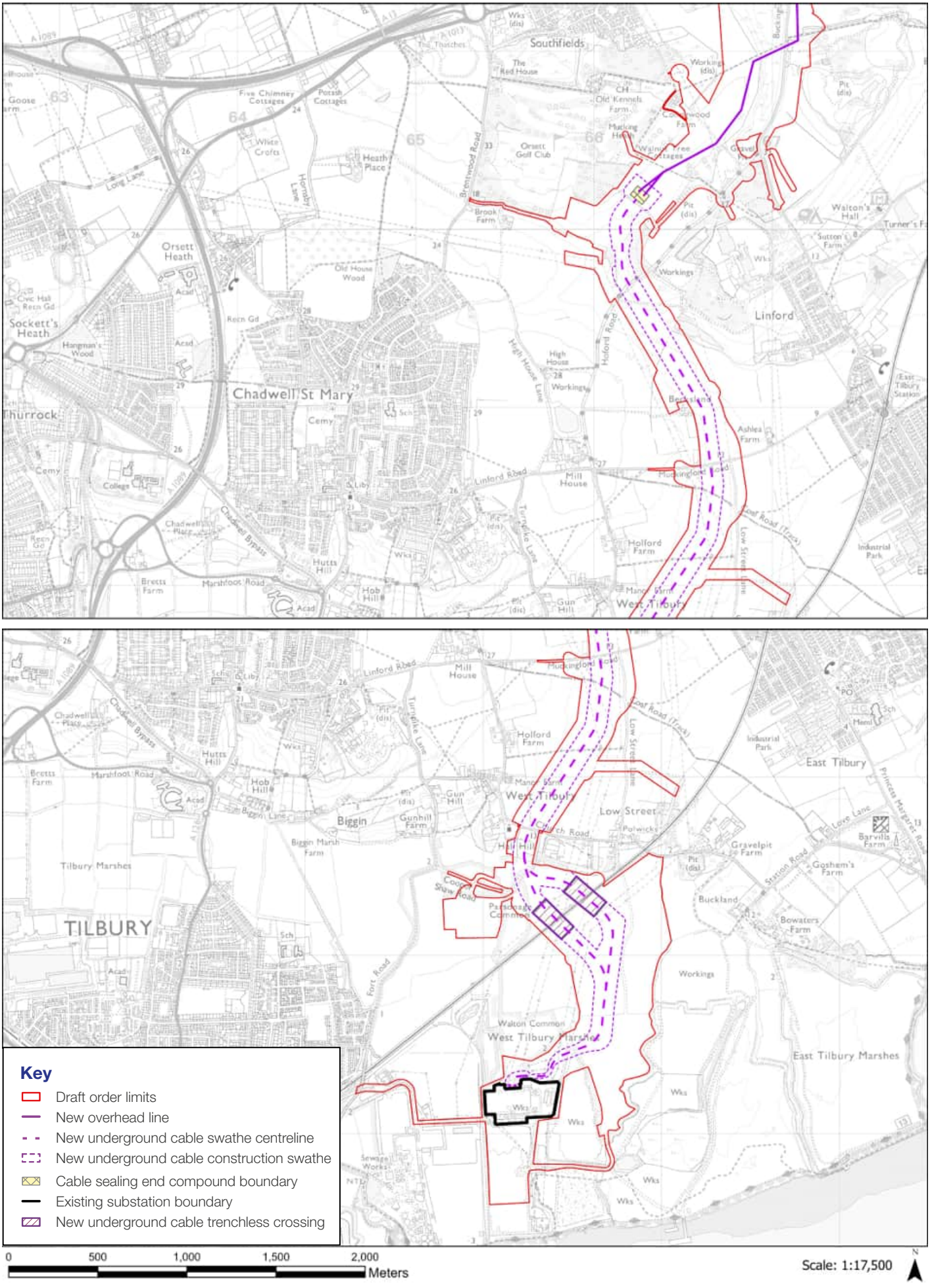

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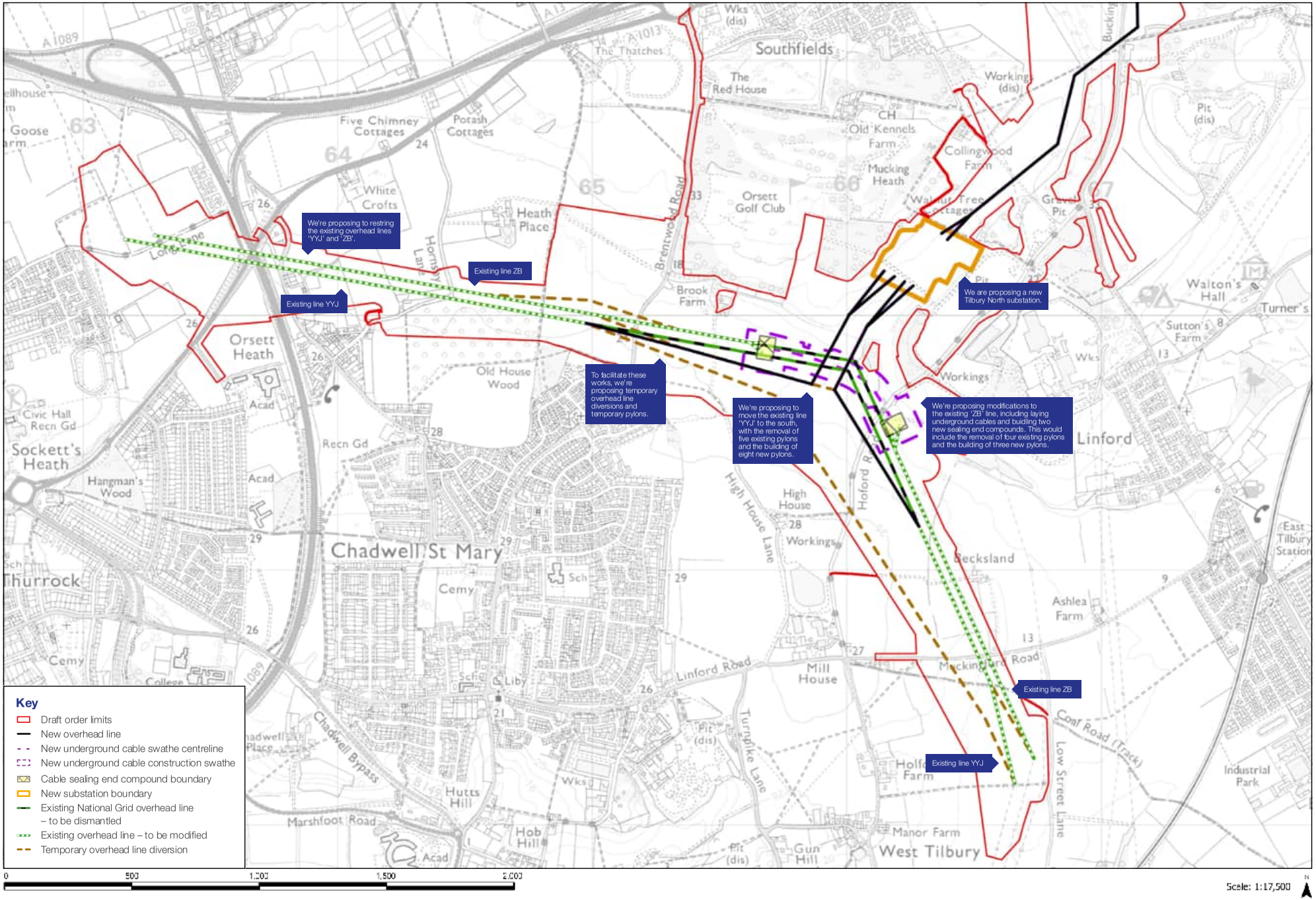

The proposed change removes the need to construct approximately 4.5 km of underground cabling and we would no longer need to extend the existing Tilbury Substation.

You can see the proposals we presented in the area at our 2024 statutory consultation on the maps overleaf as well as our proposed changes, including the new substation.

The change is being proposed in response to feedback about the potential interactions with a number of existing and proposed developments in the area, including potential impact on economic growth opportunities at the Freeport and challenging construction sections to cross under existing infrastructure.

What are the environmental implications of the proposed changes?

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Where can I find more information

We have published additional information about **Thurrock 3**: proposed changes to connection at Tilbury. This additional information is contained in the following documents:

- **Thurrock 3: proposed changes to connection at Tilbury consultation summary document March 2025** – an accompanying document explaining our proposals in more detail.
- **Design Development Report – Addendum for proposed changes to connection at Tilbury** – to provide an explanation of the proposed change for connection into Tilbury.
- **Environmental Implications of Change – Proposed changes to connection at Tilbury March 2025** – assesses the environmental implications against the preliminary assessment reported in the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 statutory consultation.
- **Maps and Plans** – a series of maps and plans showing the proposals are available on the project website.

These are all available on our project website at **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury** and paper copies can be viewed at the public information events listed on the back page.

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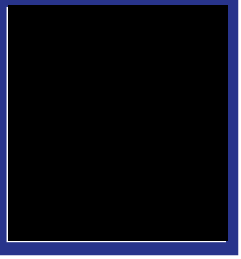

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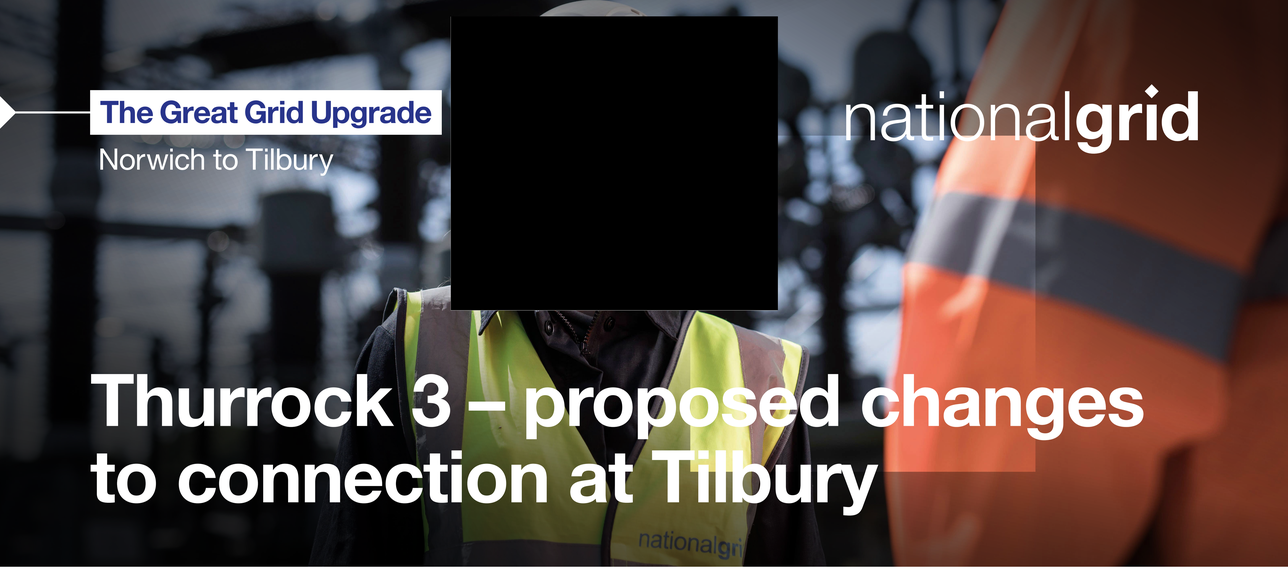
Consultation banners



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Thurrock 3 – proposed changes to connection at Tilbury

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Since the close of our statutory consultation in 2024, we have reviewed and considered all consultation feedback and continued to carry out further assessments and survey work to inform our proposals.

As a result, we are now considering making some changes to our proposals at a number of locations across the route, including some proposed changes to the connection at Tilbury – known as Thurrock 3.

This is a targeted statutory consultation and we're looking for your views on proposed changes to the connection at Tilbury and associated changes to existing overhead lines in the area.

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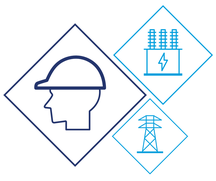

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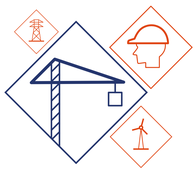

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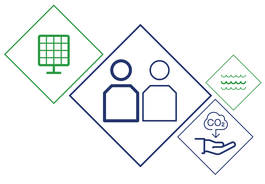

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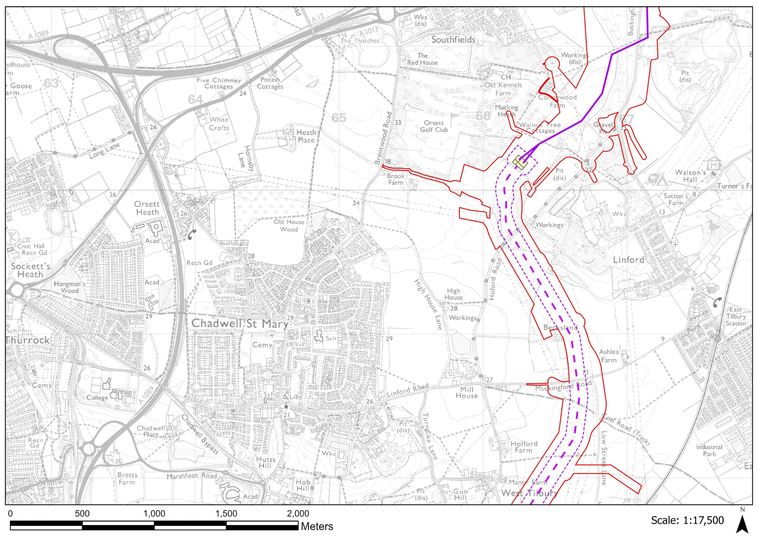

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- Existing substation boundary
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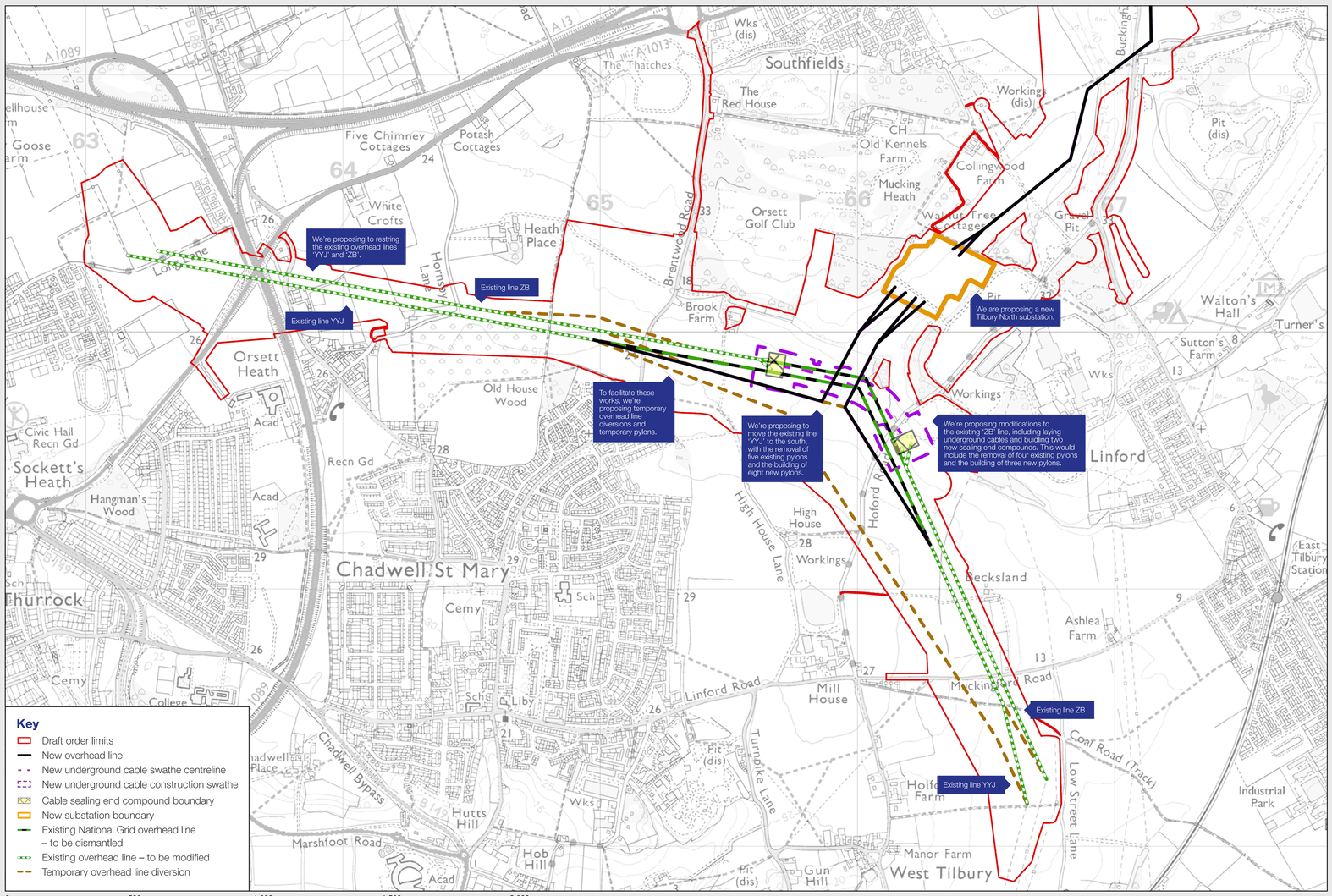

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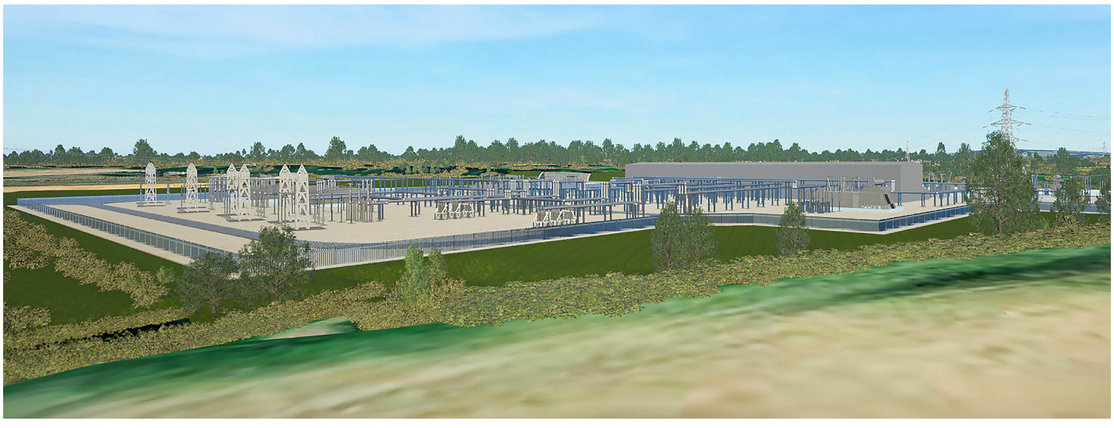

3D visualisation of the proposed Tilbury North Substation.

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Modifications to the existing overhead lines

We would need to alter the existing overhead power lines to connect into the new substation. The two lines we would need to modify are known as YYJ and ZB, and both lines are operated by National Grid Electricity Transmission.

We would need to change the YYJ line so that it connects into and out of the new substation.

We would need to put some of the ZB line underground to avoid crossing the YYJ line where it would enter the new substation.

While we are doing the work, we would need to divert the overhead lines onto temporary pylons. These temporary diversions would be required for a minimum of two years. If temporary pylons are required, they will be approximately 50 m in height.

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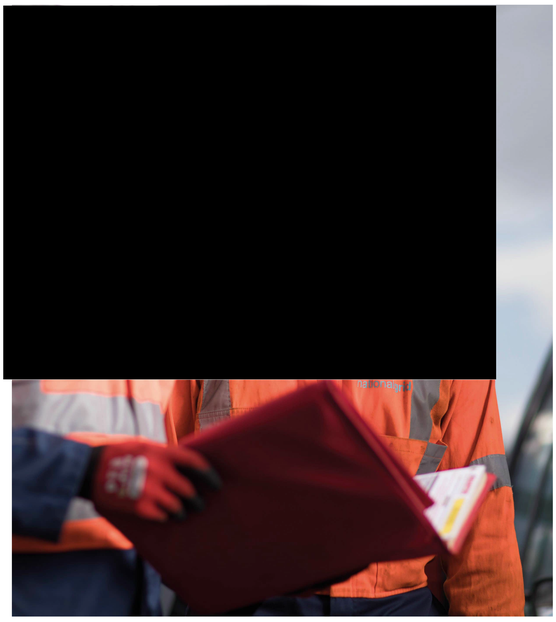
Construction and access

Building Norwich to Tilbury would involve a range of construction activities, including preparing land and creating temporary haul roads to access work areas, as well as providing temporary areas to store materials, vehicles and staff welfare facilities.

We are proposing two access options into the proposed new Tilbury North Substation for both construction and operational traffic:

- via Buckingham Hill Road, Hoford Road and then either a temporary haul road (during construction) or a permanent private access road (during operation) across the Clearserve site
- via Brentwood Road then either a temporary haul road (during construction) or a permanent private access road (during operation).

We have developed these options to be able to access the proposed substation whether or not Lower Thames Crossing goes ahead.



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Webinar material

Norwich to Tilbury

Targeted consultations – Thurrock 3

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Agenda

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Introduction and project background

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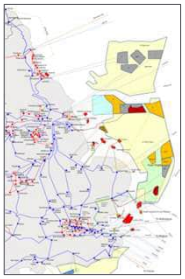
The regional challenge

- Significant amount of energy generation above current capacity connecting in East Anglia
- The Climate Emergency – **net zero by 2050**
- Government's offshore wind ambition - **50 GW by 2030**
- Offshore wind connection points and network reinforcements are required up and down the East Coast.



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The Great Grid Upgrade

Norwich to Tilbury is part of The Great Grid Upgrade – the largest overhaul of the electricity grid in generations, and covering the development of 17 projects.

The Great Grid Upgrade will play a big part in the UK government's plan to boost homegrown power.

It will help the UK switch to clean energy, by enabling the connection of more renewable and low carbon electricity and will create long lasting benefits to households and businesses across the UK.

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Activity following the 2024 consultation

- Reviewed and considered feedback and further developing our design taking this into account.
- Continued liaising with landowners along the route for access to surveys and to seek voluntary agreements.
- Continued our environmental surveys and technical appraisals to inform design and the Environmental Statement (ES).
- Continued to engage with stakeholders and elected representatives, including local authorities, environmental bodies and MPs across the Project area.
- Continue to publish Project updates.

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Alternatives

We've received a lot of consultation feedback on alternative technology solutions, such as:

- Integrated offshore grid
- Offshore cable - Norfolk to Essex
- Onshore undergrounding (AC and HVDC)

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Targeted consultation

- Following the statutory consultation last summer, we've considered all consultation feedback and the findings of ongoing assessments and surveys.
- As a result, we have identified some locations where we might make changes to our proposals – such as moving some pylon locations and/or changing the location of some temporary works or construction access roads, tracks, and compounds, or in this case proposing a change to the connection into Tilbury through a new substation.
- Before we make any decisions on these proposed changes, we are holding local, targeted consultations to give local residents and stakeholders the opportunity to provide feedback.
- We will then refine our proposals ahead of submitting our application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) in 2025.
- We launched targeted consultations on proposed changes in Norfolk and Suffolk which finished on 3 March and in Essex and Thurrock which closed on 27 March.
- We have now launched a targeted statutory consultation on some proposed changes to the connection at Tilbury. This is running from **Tuesday 18 March** and will close at **11:59pm** on **Thursday 17 April.**

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Maps and plans

- We've published a range of information including maps and consultation leaflets describing the proposed changes. We've also published accompanying environmental information.
- The maps show the draft order limits - this is the area within which work may occur - but not all the land shown will be affected.
- All the information on the proposed changes is available on our website.

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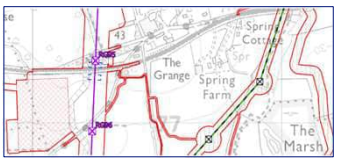
Examples of what is shown on the consultation plans

- Before and after plans to show proposed change to overhead lines and underground cables (alignment, type of pylon, replacement of UKPN by cable etc)
- Before and after plans showing proposed change to location of compounds and main construction access points or new off-highway access route
- Plans also show (within relevant area) proposed, local changes of: pylon position; rights of access; construction access alignment.



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Thurrock 3 – connection at Tilbury

- Rather than connecting at the existing Tilbury Substation, we are now proposing to build a new Tilbury North Substation 5 km to the north, close to Orsett and between the villages of Linford and Chadwell St Mary.
- The substation would be located where we had previously proposed to build a CSE compound.
- Proposed in response to feedback about potential interactions with existing and proposed developments in the area, including potential impact on economic growth opportunities at the Freeport and challenging construction sections to cross under existing infrastructure.

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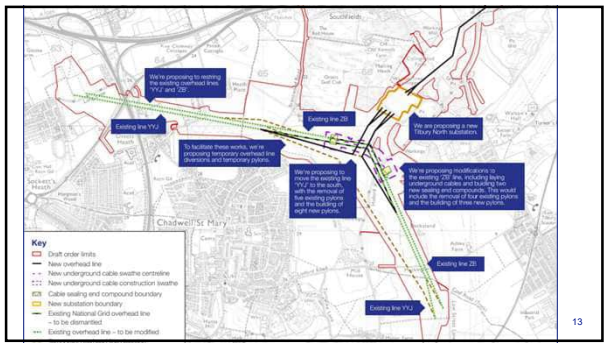

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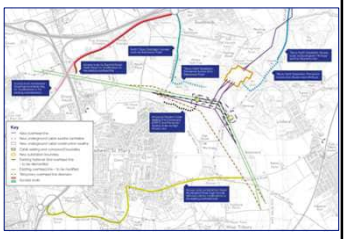
Thurrock 3 - connection at Tilbury

- We are proposing two access options into the proposed substation for construction and operational traffic:
  - via Buckingham Hill Road, Hoford Road and then a temporary haul road (during construction) or permanent private access road (during operation)
  - via Brentwood Road then a temporary haul road (during construction) or permanent private access road (during operation).
- Three access routes are proposed for works to the existing transmission network:
  - via Stanford Road/Heath Road
  - via Stanford Road/Gammonfields Way
  - via Marshfoot Road/Muckingford Road (Light Goods Vehicles (LGVs) only).



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Timing and duration

- Each of our targeted consultations will run for 30 days. We ran the first of our targeted consultations in Norfolk and Suffolk, which closed on **3 March**. Our second round of consultations in Essex and Thurrock closed on **27 March**.
- We launched our statutory targeted consultation on Thurrock 3 – connection at Tilbury on **18 March**, and this will close at **11:59pm** on **17 April.**
- We have set out our approaches to public consultation in our **Consultation strategies** which we formerly consulted Local Authorities on.
- The consultation on Thurrock 3 will be a targeted **statutory** consultation as the proposed changes to the existing overhead lines and primary access routes may affect new communities, residents and landowners who we have not contacted directly before.

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How we are consulting

- **Digital materials, including:**
  - Updated project website
  - FAQs
  - Online feedback questionnaire
- **Non-technical documents, including:**
  - Consultation leaflet
  - Consultation Summary document
  - Feedback questionnaire
- **Technical documents, including:**
  - Environmental Implications of Change document
  - Design Development Report - Addendum
  - Maps and plans
- You can still view our previous project documents on our project website.

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Webinars and events

Date	Time
Tuesday 25 March: *Chadwell St Mary Village Hall*	*10:30am – 3:30pm*
Thursday 27 March: *West Tilbury Village Hall*	*11:30am – 4:30pm*

Date	Time
Wednesday 2 April: Microsoft Teams	6pm
Tuesday 8 April: Microsoft Teams	**12 noon**

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How to respond to our consultation

- There are a range of ways to provide feedback:
  - **Website**: www.nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury
  - **Email**: contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com
  - **Freepost:** FREEPOST N TO T
- Feedback questionnaires are available:
  - online
  - on request
  - At inspection points
- We also have a freephone hotline: 0800 915 2497

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Project website

Targeted consultations for Norwich to Tilbury

We've launched a targeted statutory consultation on proposed changes in Thurrock 3 running from Tuesday 18 March to 11:59 pm Thursday 17 April 2025.

Following our statutory consultation last summer, we have carefully reviewed all the feedback we received, and we have identified some locations where we could, potentially, make some small changes to the proposals we published last year. Most of these changes have been identified from the feedback we received, along with the consideration of the findings of environmental and engineering surveys. These potential changes do not materially change the effects or fundamentally change the project as a whole.

Before we make any decisions, we are going back to consult with those people living near these proposed changes. We are writing to nearby residents and community representatives to explain the proposed changes and give them the opportunity to provide feedback.

We've phased these consultations, starting with locations in Norfolk and Suffolk followed by locations in Essex and Thurrock.

Targeted consultations on proposed changes in Norfolk and Suffolk took place between Monday 30 January and Monday 3 March 2025.

Targeted changes in Essex and Thurrock took place between Tuesday 25 February and Thursday 27 March 2025.

We are consulting on Thurrock 3 – proposed changes to connection at Tilbury between Tuesday 18 March and 17 April 2025.

While these are local, targeted consultations anyone can take part, and more information on the proposed changes is available below. You can take part either by emailing us, writing to us using our Freepost address or via the online questionnaire here.

Thurrock 3: proposed changes to connection at Tilbury

We are holding a targeted statutory consultation where we are considering changes to the project presented to the public at the statutory consultation in summer 2024.

Since the close of the statutory consultation in 2024, we have reviewed and considered all consultation feedback and continued to carry out further assessments and survey work to inform our proposals. As a result, we are now considering making some changes to our proposals at a number of locations, including some proposed changes to the connection at Tilbury. These potential changes do not materially change the effects or fundamentally change the project as a whole.

These proposed changes would reduce the length of the underground cabling and replace a previously proposed cable sealing end (CSE) compound with a substation. We are also proposing some additional works to the existing infrastructure in the area including modifications to the existing overhead lines - to enable the electrical connection into the existing Tilbury Substation via the new substation.

We intend to submit our application for development consent for the Norwich to Tilbury project in summer 2025. Before we finalise our proposals, we want to give nearby residents and local communities the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes at this location.

We are consulting on these proposed changes between 18 March and 17 April 2025 and we welcome your feedback. You can find more information on this change in the March 2025 targeted consultation section below.

Providing feedback

If you would like to comment on any of the proposed changes, you can send feedback via our online feedback questionnaire or write or email us using the contact details below:

Email - contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com

Freepost – FREEPOST N TO T

Online feedback questionnaire - click here

Each location has been given a reference, please quote this in any correspondence.

Webinars and events

Events

We held two public information events to give local residents the opportunity to view our proposals and speak to members of the Project team.

- Tuesday 25 March – Chadwell St Mary Village Hall, 10:30am -3:30pm
- Thursday 27 March – West Tilbury Village Hall, 11:30am - 4:30pm

Attend a webinar

We're holding two webinars on Thurrock 3 via Microsoft Teams to give people an opportunity to ask the project team questions.

You can sign up for a webinar by clicking on one of the links below:

- Wednesday 2 April 2025 at 6:00 pm
- Tuesday 8 April 2025 at 12 noon.

January 2025 targeted consultations on proposed changes in Norfolk and Suffolk

Our targeted consultations on proposed changes in Norfolk and Suffolk took place between 12 noon 30 January 2025 and 11:59pm 3 March 2025.

Whilst these consultations have now concluded, you can still view information on these change below.

- Norfolk 1 - Swardeston
- Norfolk 2 - Forncett St Mary
- Norfolk 3 - Cargate Common
- Norfolk 4 - Winfarthing
- Suffolk 1 - Palgrave and Mellis
- Suffolk 1a - Palgrave and Mellis
- Suffolk 2 - Gislingham
- Suffolk 3 - Mendlesham
- Suffolk 4 - Needham Market
- Suffolk 5 - Offton
- Suffolk 6 - Raydon and Holton St Mary

February 2025 targeted consultations on proposed changes in Essex and Thurrock

Our targeted consultations on proposed changes in Essex and Thurrock ran from Tuesday 25 February to 11:59 pm on Thursday 27 March 2025.

Whilst these consultations have now concluded, you can still view information on these change below.

- Essex 1 - Langham
- Essex 2 - Ardleigh
- Essex 3 - Little Bromley
- Essex 4 - Ardleigh
- Essex 5 - Surrex
- Essex 6 - Feering
- Essex 7 - Great Leighs
- Essex 8 - Great Waltham and Little Waltham

Essex 9 - Margaretting

Essex 10 - Havering's Grove

Essex 11 - Little Burstead

Essex 12 - Dunton Wayletts

Essex 13 - Dunton

Thurrock 1 - Langdon Hills

Thurrock 2 - Bulphan

March 2025 Thurrock 3 targeted statutory consultation on proposed changes to connection at Tilbury

Targeted statutory consultation March 2025 – proposed changes to connection at Tilbury

We are holding a targeted statutory consultation where we are considering changes to the project presented to the public at the statutory consultation in summer 2024.

Our targeted consultation in Thurrock 3 is running from Tuesday 18 March to 11:59 pm Thursday 17 April 2025.

What we are proposing to change in your area and why

We are proposing a change to the substation connection point at the southern end of the route. Rather than connecting at the existing Tilbury Substation, we are now proposing to build a new Tilbury North Substation 5 kilometres (km) to the north, close to Orsett and between the villages of Linford and Chadwell St Mary. The substation would be located where we had previously proposed to build a CSE compound.

The proposed change removes the need to construct approximately 4.5 km of underground cabling and we would no longer need to extend the existing Tilbury Substation.

The Norwich to Tilbury project would connect into the national electricity transmission system through the new substation and a modification of the existing overhead line (known as YYJ). The YYJ line already connects to the existing Tilbury substation.

We would also need to underground a section of a second existing overhead line (known as ZB) to avoid crossing with the new lines coming out of the substation

What are the environmental implications of the proposed changes?

As part of the 2024 statutory consultation, we sought views on the potential environmental effects of the proposals and whether consultees have suggestions for reducing these effects (for example, through mitigation measures). This information is detailed in the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) that was prepared for the 2024 statutory consultation and which can be viewed here in our document library.

We have carried out further environmental assessments of our proposed changes in this area and, you can find more information in Thurrock 3: Environmental Implications of Change Document.

If, following careful consideration of any feedback we receive, we make this change, baseline information, environmental surveys and assessments associated with this change will be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES) that will form part of our application for a Development Consent Order (DCO).

Where can I find more information?

We have published additional information about Thurrock 3: proposed changes to connection at Tilbury. This additional information is contained in the following documents:

- Thurrock 3: proposed changes to connection at Tilbury consultation summary document March 2025 – an accompanying document explaining our proposals in more detail.
- Design Development Report – Addendum for proposed changes to connection at Tilbury – to provide an explanation of the proposed change for connection into Tilbury.
- Environmental Implications of Change – Proposed changes to connection at Tilbury March 2025 – assesses the environmental implications against the preliminary assessment reported in the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) published as part of our summer 2024 statutory consultation.
- Maps and Plans – a series of maps and plans showing the proposals are available on the project website.

These documents can also be viewed in the document library below.

Document library

In the library below you can view all the materials we've produced for these targeted consultations. Each consultation brochure contains a map and relevant information on the associated change.

Name
Targeted consultation overview map
Targeted consultation feedback questionnaire
Thurrock 3 Consultation summary document
Thurrock 3 Consultation leaflet
Design Development Report - Addendum for Proposed Changes at Tilbury Connection
Norwich to Tilbury - Design Development Report Appendices - Appendix A
Thurrock 3 Environmental Implications of Change
Thurrock 3 Construction Access Plans
Statutory Consultation Plan for Thurrock 3
Thurrock 3 Proposed Site Layout
Norfolk 1 - Consultation Leaflet
Norfolk 1 - Environmental Implications of Change
Norfolk 2 - Consultation Leaflet
Norfolk 2 - Environmental Implications of Change
Norfolk 3 - Consultation Leaflet
Norfolk 3 - Environmental Implications of Change
Norfolk 4 - Consultation Leaflet
Norfolk 4 - Environmental Implications of Change

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List of inspection point locations

Location	Address	Opening Times
Tilbury Library	Civic Square, Tilbury, RM18 8AD	Monday – 10am - 5pm Tuesday – 10am – 7pm Wednesday – 10am - 5pm Thursday – 10am – 7pm Friday – 10am – 5pm Saturday – 10am – 1pm Sunday – Closed
Chadwell Library	Brentwood Road, Chadwell St Mary, RM16 4JP	Monday – 10am–5 pm Tuesday – 10am–5 pm Wednesday – Closed Thursday – 10am–5 pm Friday – 10am–5 pm Saturday – 10am–1 pm Sunday – Closed
East Tilbury Hub	Princess Avenue, East Tilbury, RM18 8ST	Monday – Closed Tuesday – 10am - 1pm and 2pm – 5pm Wednesday – Closed Thursday – 10am - 1pm and 2pm – 5pm Friday – Closed Saturday – 10am - 1pm Sunday – Closed

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Community newsletter - January 2025

The Great Grid Upgrade

Norwich to Tilbury

Community newsletter

January 2025

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The Great Grid Upgrade

The UK Government has set a target to increase offshore wind energy to over 50 GW by 2030, enough to provide every home in the country with cleaner and more affordable energy.

By the end of the decade, up to 18 GW of offshore wind energy is expected to connect into East Anglia. To carry this new clean electricity to homes and businesses where it is needed, we will need to upgrade the grid, most of which was built in the 1960s. We've already rewired most of the existing overhead lines in the region to increase capacity and we now need to build new lines.

Norwich to Tilbury, along with other National Grid projects such as Sea Link and Bramford to Twinstead, will play an important part in achieving the government's targets and helping the UK to move towards net zero.

Our Great Grid Upgrade isn't only happening in East Anglia. It is a nationwide programme aiming to improve electricity transmission in England and Wales, enhancing energy security, cutting bills, and fostering a green jobs boom, potentially supporting 130,000 jobs and adding £4-11 billion to the UK economy by 2030.

You can find out more about Norwich to Tilbury and The Great Grid Upgrade on our project website: **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**

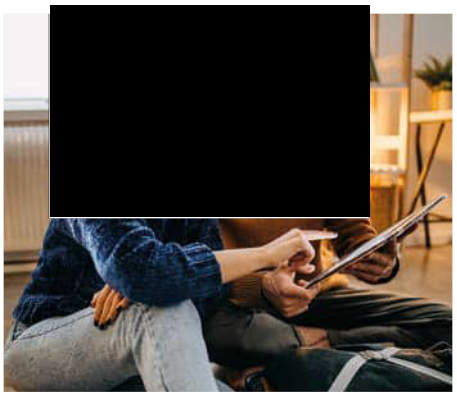
Summary of statutory consultation 2024

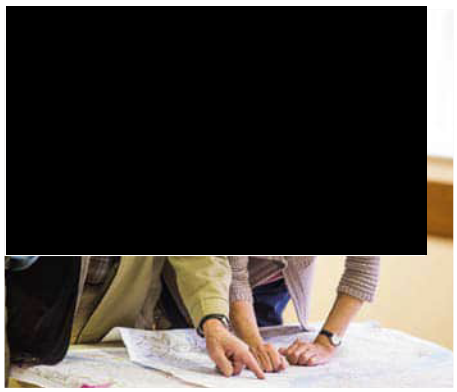
Last summer, we held our third stage of public consultation, inviting communities to share their views on our proposals for Norwich to Tilbury.

This statutory consultation ran from Wednesday 10 April until Friday 26 July. We extended it to give people more time to provide their comments after the July General Election.

We are grateful to everyone who took the time to respond to our consultation. Your feedback has highlighted concerns, provided valuable local insight and is helping us to refine our proposals.

All the feedback we received is being carefully considered and, as we develop our plans further, we will respond to the issues raised within a Consultation Report. This will be included as part of our application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) to build Norwich to Tilbury, which will be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate later this year.





Our statutory consultation in numbers (10 April to 26 July)

15
weeks of consultation

14
public consultation events

77,000
newsletters sent to homes and businesses across the region

6
webinars

Feedback

2,312
feedback questionnaires (434 by post and 1,878 online)

82
letters

6,500
emails

4,099
‘response slips’ from campaign groups

What you asked us

While the latest feedback is being considered by our team, we would like to provide answers to some of the questions we've been asked.

Why don't you upgrade the existing pylons to carry the new power?

We have. Over the past couple of years, we have rewired the existing pylons from Norwich to Bramford as well as those going west from Bramford to Pelham. This has increased the capacity of the existing lines but it is not enough.

We need to build new lines to carry all the power from the new offshore windfarms and other sources of generation connecting into the region.

Why can't you connect the windfarms offshore?

There is no fully offshore solution for connecting offshore wind to the grid. The power must be brought onshore somewhere so it can be transported across the country to the towns and cities where it is needed.

Where new lines are needed, we carefully consider the most feasible options, including their impacts on local communities and the environment, before presenting proposals for public consultation that deliver value for electricity bill payers.

Wouldn't an offshore grid be cheaper and quicker?

No. Building an offshore grid – in any form – would be more expensive and would take longer than the proposed onshore route which includes overhead line.

Pylons can carry more than 6 GW of power. Subsea cables can only carry up to 2 GW of power. To deliver the same capacity, we would need to build three offshore cables as well as significant onshore infrastructure such as converter stations. The costs to build the offshore links are estimated at £4.1 billion, compared to around £1 billion for the onshore route.

An offshore grid would also take longer to build and would not be ready for the end of 2030 when we need to connect offshore wind farms that are in development. Any delays would result in additional costs to consumers. An independent East Anglia Network Study carried out by the National Energy System Operator (NESO) in 2023, concluded that an offshore link would not be deliverable until at least 2034.

What happens to the feedback submitted during consultation?

All of the consultation feedback we receive is read and carefully considered by our project team. Where people have asked us to make changes, we are considering them and will carry out further, targeted consultation.

All the feedback will be summarised with our responses and published as part of our application for a DCO in an accompanying Consultation Report.

What work are you doing in the fields – have you started construction?

We haven't started any construction for Norwich to Tilbury. The only work we're carrying out is surveying activity. This includes looking at ground conditions, ecology and the environment, traffic monitoring and looking for evidence of buried archaeology.

The results of the surveys help inform decisions on the routeing and siting of our pylons, underground cables, and other associated infrastructure, as well as methods of construction.

It is normal for these surveys to take place at an early stage of project development to allow us to consider how we might avoid, reduce, or mitigate potential impacts. We publish up to date information on where we are carrying out surveys on our project website: **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**

Are underground HVDC cables cheaper?

No. Burying the route underground, even with HVDC cables, would cost five to ten times more than an overhead line. It would introduce additional environmental and engineering constraints that need to be considered and we would also need to build converter stations where the new connection feeds into the existing AC network.

Interconnector converter station in Lincolnshire

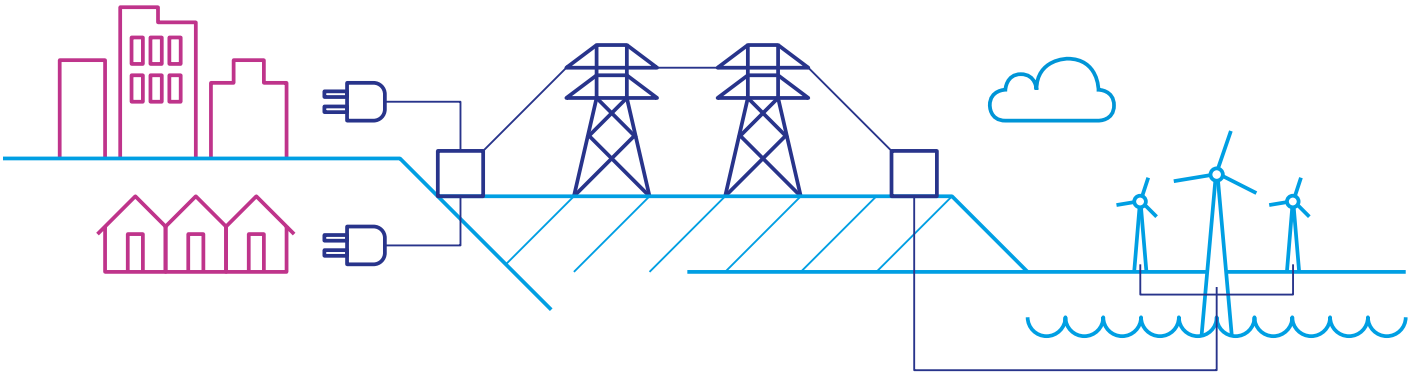
Why don't you use HVDC cables in the Dedham Vale National Landscape?

Using HVDC would require fewer cables and the total width of the cable trenches would be smaller, but we would also need to build multiple converter stations at each side of the Dedham Vale National Landscape.

The impact of building converter stations in these locations would be substantial.

What's the difference between AC and DC?

In the UK, electric power is normally generated, transmitted and distributed as alternating current (AC) which enables voltage to be increased or decreased by transformers so it can be used to power homes and businesses. Direct current, or more specifically, high voltage direct current (HVDC) is an alternative way to transport electricity. While HVDC can offer some advantages over very long distances, it can be more costly over shorter distances and requires converter stations at either end of the cables to convert the electricity into AC so it can be used in local networks. We have published a technical fact sheet about HVDC on our website – please see the useful links on the back page.



Are pylons safe?

Yes. We take health and safety very seriously and ensure that all our proposals are designed to be safe for the public and our contractors. We rely on authoritative and independent scientific organisations, such as the World Health Organisation (WHO) and the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA), to review the body of scientific evidence on electric and magnetic fields (EMFs) and health, as well as reviewing the science ourselves. Everything we build and operate complies with guidelines set by the Government on advice from UKHSA.

Are your proposals fully costed? How can we know they are accurate?

We've set out high level cost estimates for Norwich to Tilbury, including how our proposals compare to other strategic options – such as underground AC and HVDC options, and subsea HVDC cables.

These costs include factors such as our commitments over protecting the environment including improving biodiversity.

Until we have a final route and have considered every aspect of the project, we will need to continue to assess costs.

The process we follow is robust and has been tested on other projects which have been consented. The cost assessments, strategy, plans and recommendations will be scrutinised by the industry regulator Ofgem and will also be tested by the Planning Inspectorate and the relevant Secretary of State.

The project website also contains answers to some of the most frequently asked questions.

nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury

What happens next?

Further consultation

Since our last consultation, we've been carefully reviewing all the feedback, along with findings of surveys. We've identified some places where we're considering whether to make localised changes to the proposals we published in summer 2024.

Before we make any decisions, we want to give nearby residents the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed changes in their local area. Over the coming weeks we'll write directly to nearby properties to explain what the change might mean and how residents can send any comments back to us. We will also publish any proposed changes on our project website, along with a questionnaire for anyone to provide feedback on each location.

The DCO process

Before we can start to build and operate Norwich to Tilbury we'll need to apply for a Development Consent Order (DCO). This is a form of planning application for nationally important projects. The decision on whether to grant consent is made by the relevant Secretary of State after the proposals are examined by independent examiners (called the Examining Authority) appointed by the Planning Inspectorate.

We expect to submit our application for a DCO in 2025. Once we submit our DCO application, the Planning Inspectorate, on behalf of the Secretary of State, has up to 28 days to decide whether the application meets the standards required to be accepted for examination.

If the application is accepted, it will go through a six-month examination period. This is an independent review by the Examining Authority of all relevant representations and supporting evidence.

Anyone wishing to be involved in the examination process will be invited to register their interest with the Planning Inspectorate.

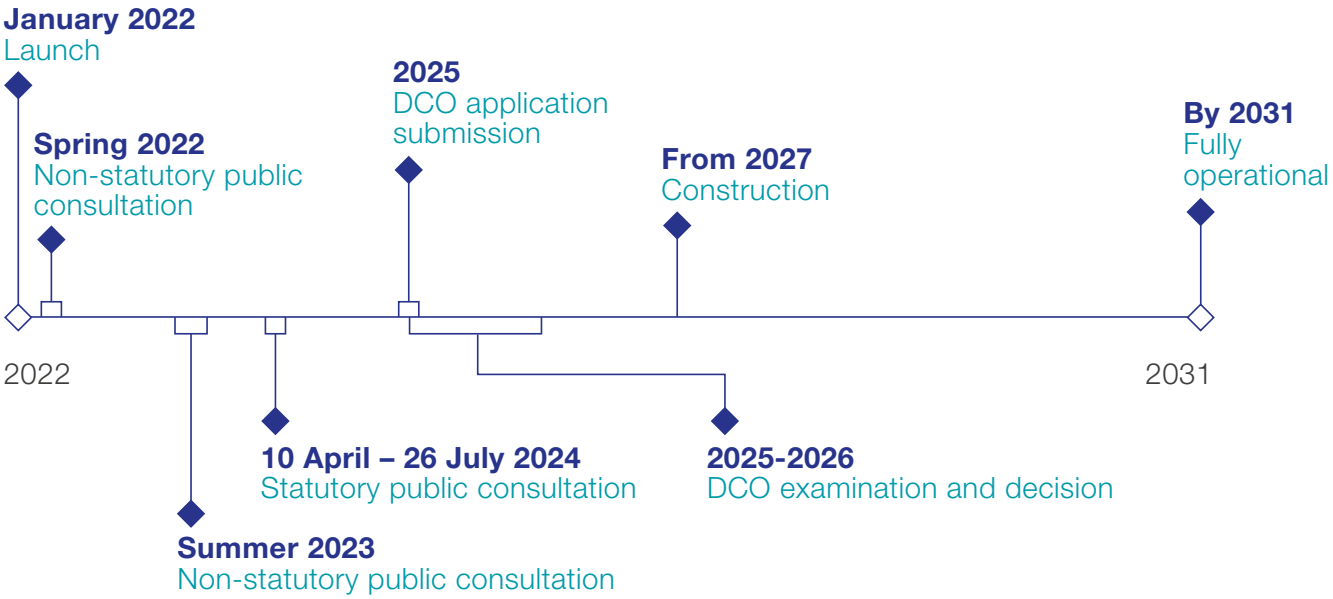
Those who register their interest will be invited to submit their views on our proposals in writing and may be asked to speak at any of the public hearings that are held.

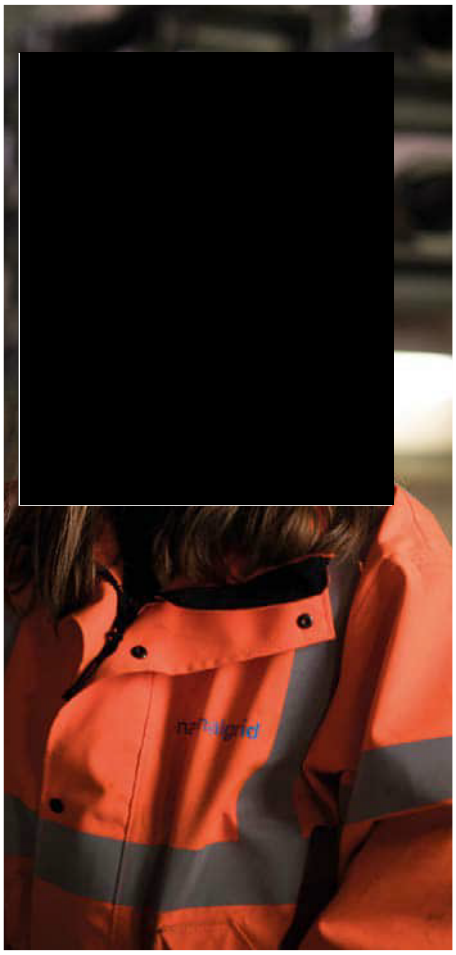
The Examining Authority is the Inspector, or the Panel of Inspectors, appointed to conduct the Examination of the application for the DCO.

Within three months of the close of Examination, the Examining Authority must prepare a report on the application and submit this to the Secretary of State, including a recommendation. The Secretary of State has a further three months to make a decision on whether to grant or refuse development consent.

If the Secretary of State grants development consent, we plan to start construction in 2027, with the intention of being fully operational by 2031.

Norwich to Tilbury project timeline





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- Norwich to Tilbury website: **nationalgrid.com/norwich-to-tilbury**
- Norwich to Tilbury Project Background Document: **nationalgrid.com/electricity-transmission/document/154586/download**
- Strategic Options Backcheck and Review: **nationalgrid.com/electricity-transmission/document/154546/download**
- National Policy Statement for Electricity Networks Infrastructure (EN-5): **assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1147384/NPS_EN-5.pdf**
- Ofgem: **ofgem.gov.uk**
- NGET Response to ESO East Anglia Network Study: **nationalgrid.com/electricity-transmission/document/154771/download**
- Video: How Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects are approved or refused: **youtube.com/watch?v=izb3_r8fzTM**
- Technical factsheet on HVDC: **nationalgrid.com/sites/default/files/documents/13784-High%20Voltage%20Direct%20Current%20Electricity%20%E2%80%93%20technical%20information.pdf**

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