



Planning Inspectorate

The Planning Act 2008

Application by National Grid Electricity Transmission for the Norwich to Tilbury project (EN020027)

Examining Authority's note of unaccompanied site inspection (5 of 7)

The Examining Authority (ExA) undertook an unaccompanied site inspection (USI) to support the examination of an application for development consent for the proposed Norwich to Tilbury project on **Wednesday 15 October 2025**.

The inspection was undertaken to view the proposed construction primary access routes (PAR) between Langham near Colchester to Fordham, east of Marks Tey, via Ardleigh. This included consideration of sensitive receptors in regard to transport and traffic, noise and vibration and air quality.

Particulars of the USI

The USI was undertaken by the following members of the ExA:

- Matthew Sims
- Christopher Butler
- Ken Stone

The ExA were accompanied by:

- Harrison Coles (Case Team)

The USI was undertaken by car. Weather conditions were dry and cloudy and were suitable to appreciate long range views. The USI commenced at approximately 09:15 and finished at approximately 12:00. The USI was carried out on publicly accessible highway only.

A summary of the inspection and route maps are attached at Annex A.

This USI note is 5 of 7 for the inspections undertaken in week commencing 13 October 2025. It should be noted that two separate USIs took place on the same day.



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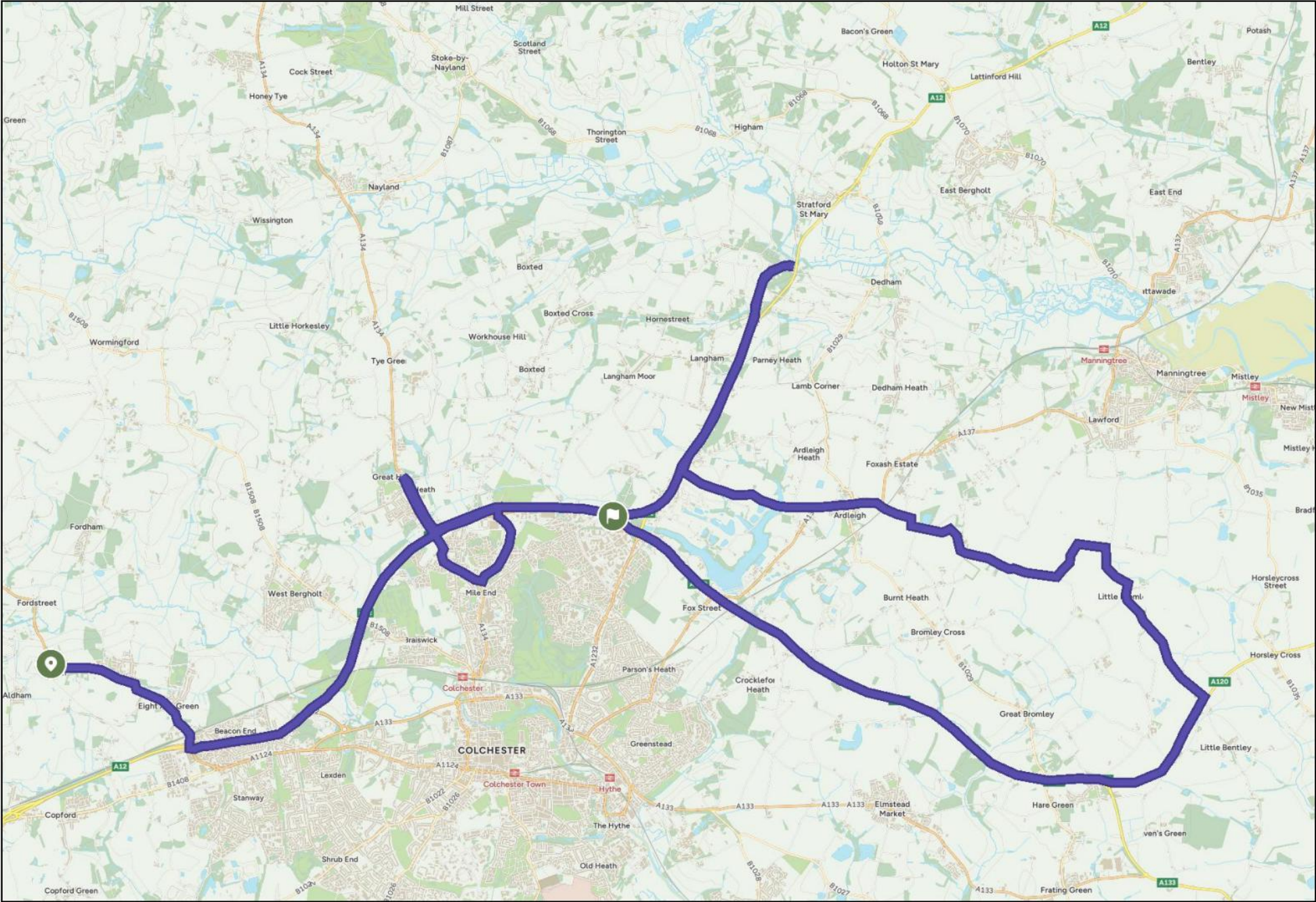
Annex A: Summary of USI on Wednesday 15 October 2025 (5 of 7)

The ExA undertook the USI by car and viewed the proposed construction primary access routes (PAR) between Langham near Colchester to Fordham, east of Marks Tey, via Ardleigh.

The ExA's observations included the following:

- All PARs between PAR 27 at Langham north of Colchester through to PAR 38 at Fordham.
- All sensitive receptors which could be viewed from the public highway.
- Construction compounds and laydown areas associated with the PARs visible from the public highway.

The route taken is shown on the following page.



15.10.25 GALLAWS GREEN TO STRATFORD ST MARY