



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 (6 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 location of the proposed pylon and cable routes between Bramford substation and Witham, via the proposed East Anglia Connection Node substation to the east of Ardeleigh, and the proposed cable sealing end compounds at Wenham Grove/Hadleigh, Great Horkesley and Little Horkesley.

Particulars of the USI

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

- Susan Hunt
- Jonathan Hockley

The ExA was accompanied by:

- Caroline Jones (Planning Inspector)
- Gavin Jones (Planning Inspector)
- Rhianna Pankhurst (Case Team)

The USI was undertaken by car and on foot. 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 15:30. The USI was carried out from publicly accessible land only.

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

This USI note is 6 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 (6 of 7)

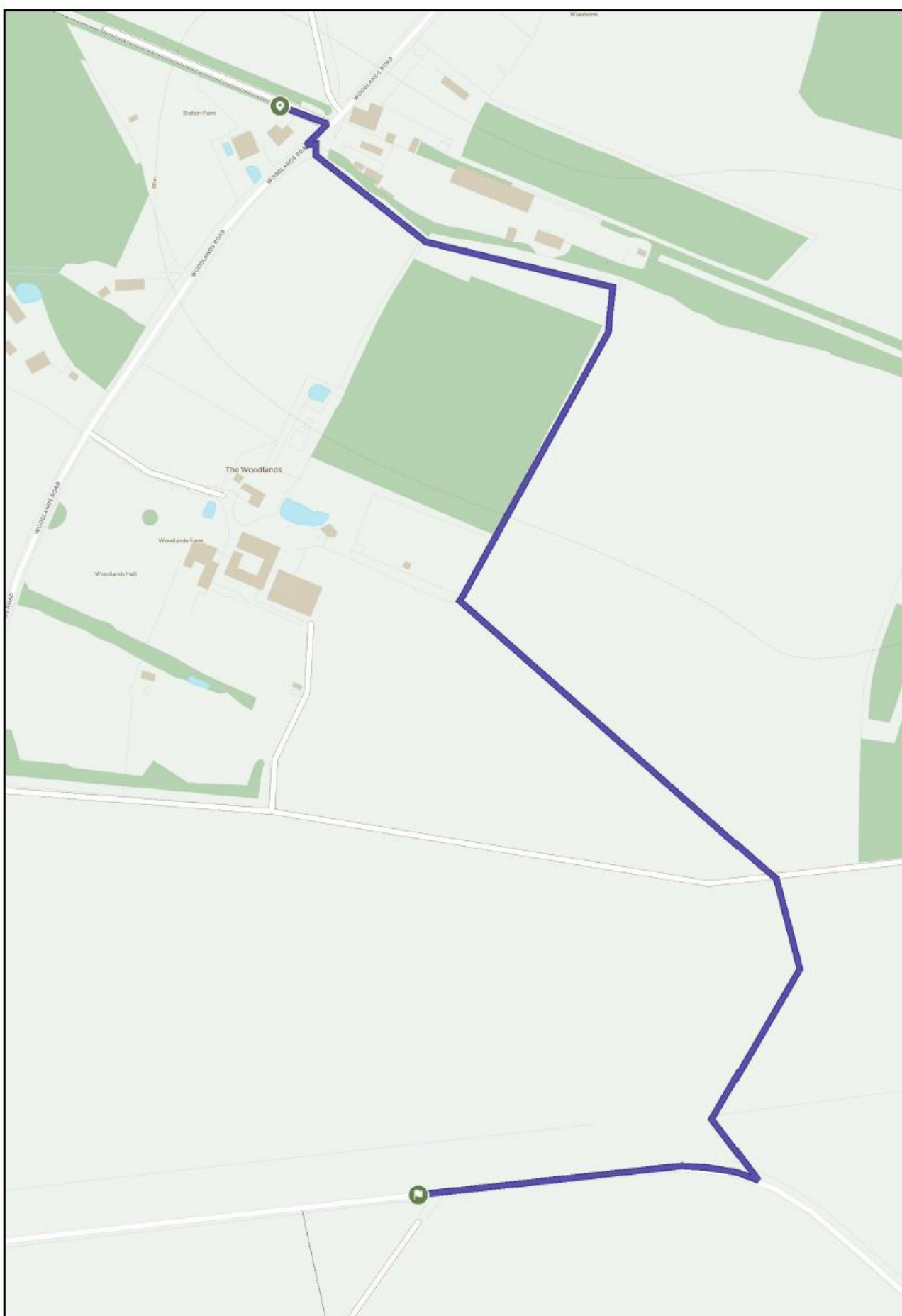
The ExA undertook the USI primarily by car and partly on foot on public land between Bramford Substation and Witham.

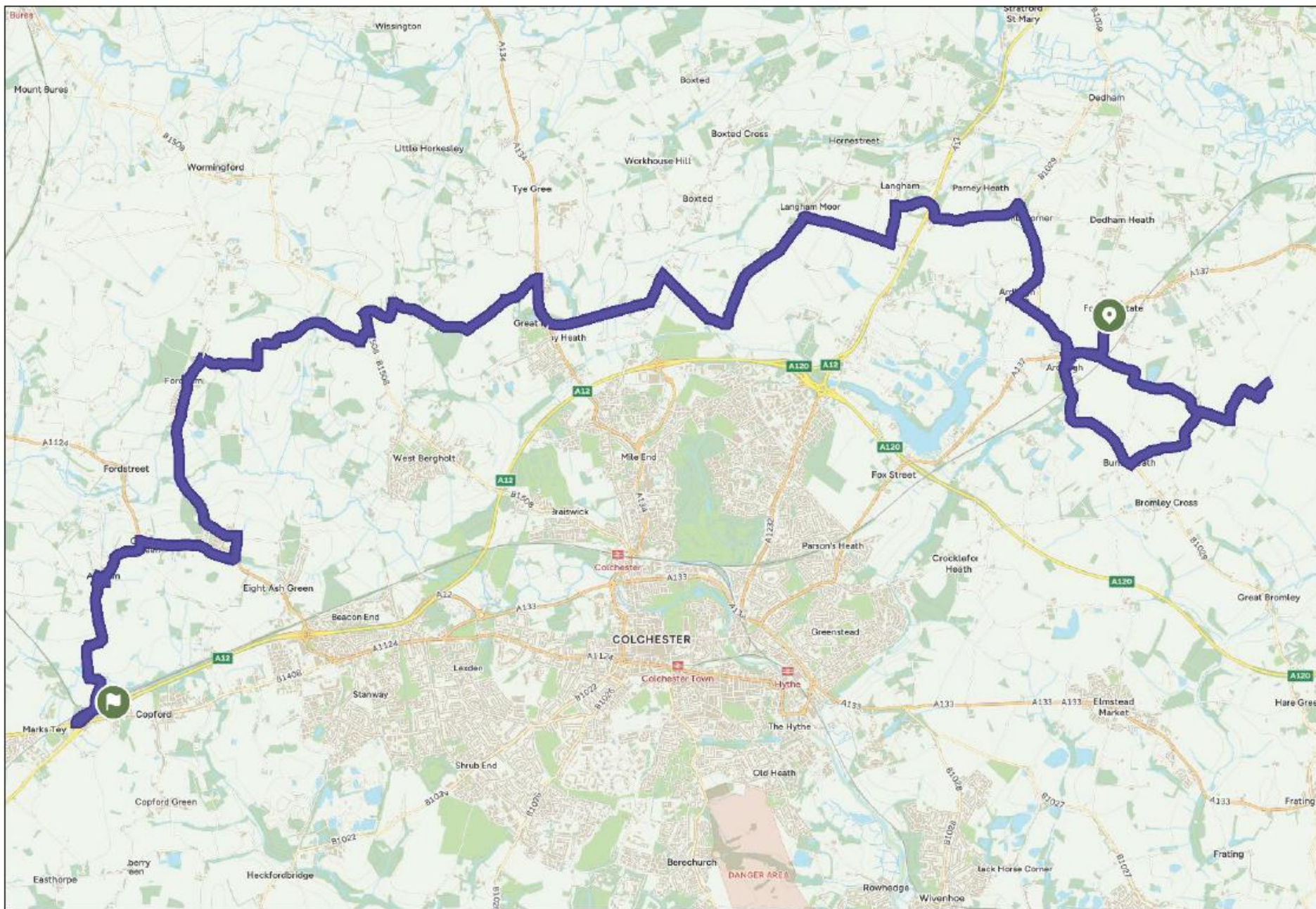
The ExA's observations included the settlements, the surrounding countryside and a range of heritage assets which included the following areas in the vicinity of the proposed development:

- Existing pylons leading to Bramford Substation.
- The area south of Bramford Substation from Burstall, including Sproughton Park to Washbrook, Pigeon's Lane, Chattisham, and Raydon Great Wood.
- The location of the proposed cable sealing end compound at Wenham Grove from the public right of ways (W-438/005/0 and W-284/008/0) between Woodlands Road and Raydon Road were viewed on foot.
- Raydon, Bacon's Green and Holton St Mary.
- Foxash Estate, Grange Road, Little Bromley Road, Burnt Heath, Ardleigh and Ardleigh Heath.
- Lamb Corner, Langham, Langham Moor, Boxted Cross, Great Horkesley, Horkesley Heath, Fordham, Eight Ash Green, Fordham Heath, Gallows Green, Aldham and Marks Tey.
- Great Tey, Little Tey, East Gores, Broad Green, Surrex, Skye Green, Feeringbury, Coggeshall, Coggeshall Hamlet, Feering, Kelvedon, Silver End, Cressing Temple, White Notley, Faulkbourne and Witham.

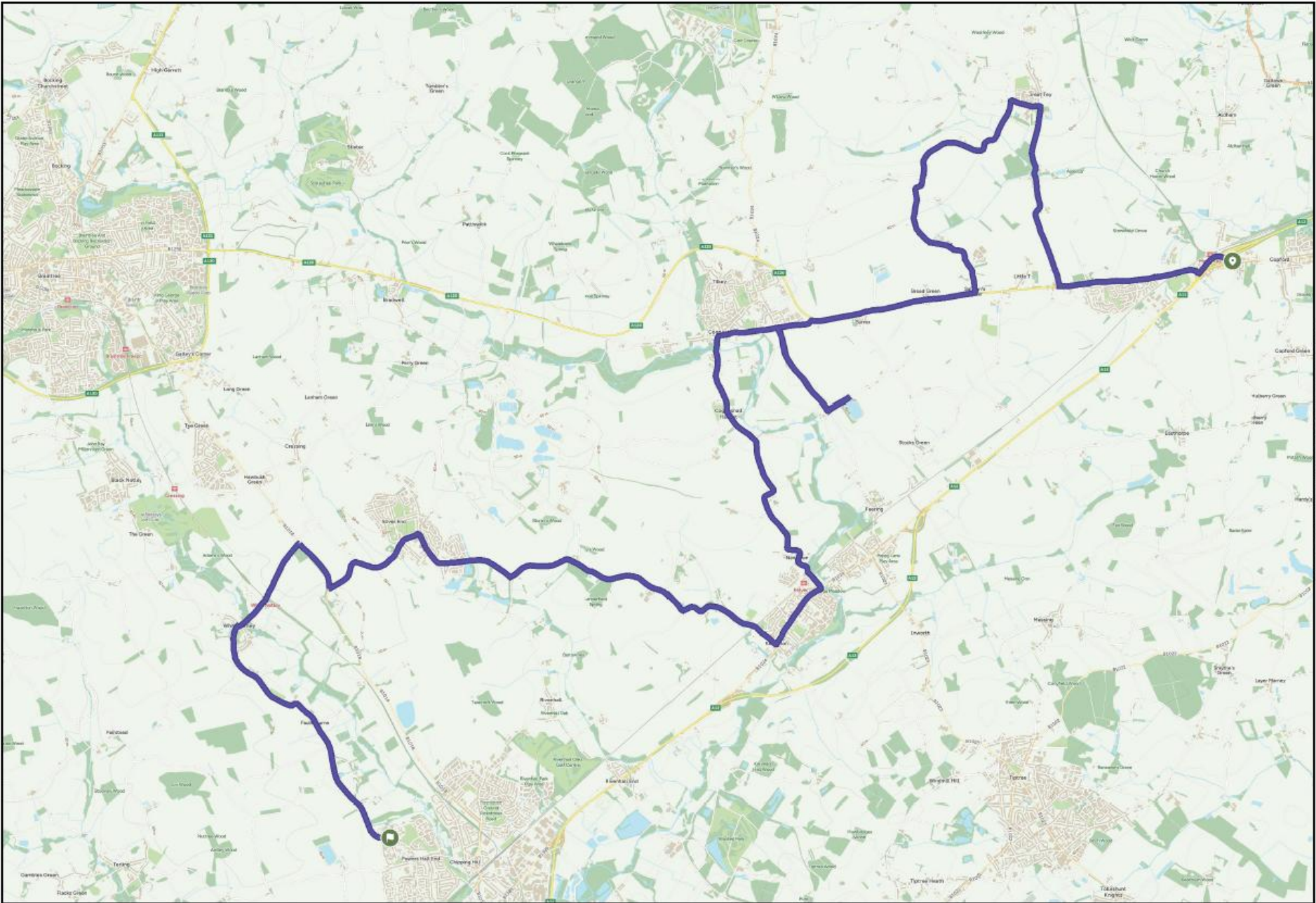
The routes taken are shown on the following pages.

WOODLANDS ROAD TO RAYDON AIRFIELD 15.10.25 AM





ARDLEIGH TO MARKS TEY 15.10.25 PM



Marks Tey to Witham 15.10.25 PM