



# 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 2 (1 of 3)

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The Examining Authority (ExA) undertook a second unaccompanied site inspection (USI2) to support the examination of an application for development consent for the proposed Norwich to Tilbury project on **Tuesday 2 December 2025**.

#### Summary of the USI

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

- Susan Hunt (panel lead)
- Jonathan Hockley

The USI was undertaken primarily by car and partly on foot, from publicly accessible land only. Weather conditions were dry and sunny with excellent visibility to appreciate long range views. The USI commenced at approximately 12:30 and finished at approximately 16:15.

The USI was undertaken to view the location of the proposed development, specifically in relation to the setting of heritage assets and surrounding landscapes.

The visit on 2 December started at the eastern side of Stowupland and finished to the south of Hintlesham. It included the following settlements and surrounding areas:

- Stowupland (Church Road), Old Newton, Gipping, Saxham Street, Middlewood Green, Forward Green, Broad Green, Roydon Hall, Upper Langdales, The Fens, Creeping St Peter (Mill Lane), Badley (Stowmarket Road), Needham Market, Barking, Hascot Hill, Barking Tye, Ringshall Stocks, Great Bricett, Greenstreet Green, Offton, Somersham (Blood Hill), Flowton, Burstallhill, Hintlesham, and Duke Street.

The maps of the routes taken are attached at **Annex A**.

This USI2 note is 1 of 3 for the inspections undertaken from **2 to 4 December 2025**. It should be noted that the northern section of the proposed route from Norwich to Stowupland and other sections of the route were not visited on this occasion. These areas were either previously viewed on USI1 [[Project webpage](#) – [Examination Library](#) references EV1-001 to EV-007 inclusive] or will be viewed or revisited by the ExA at a later date, if deemed necessary.

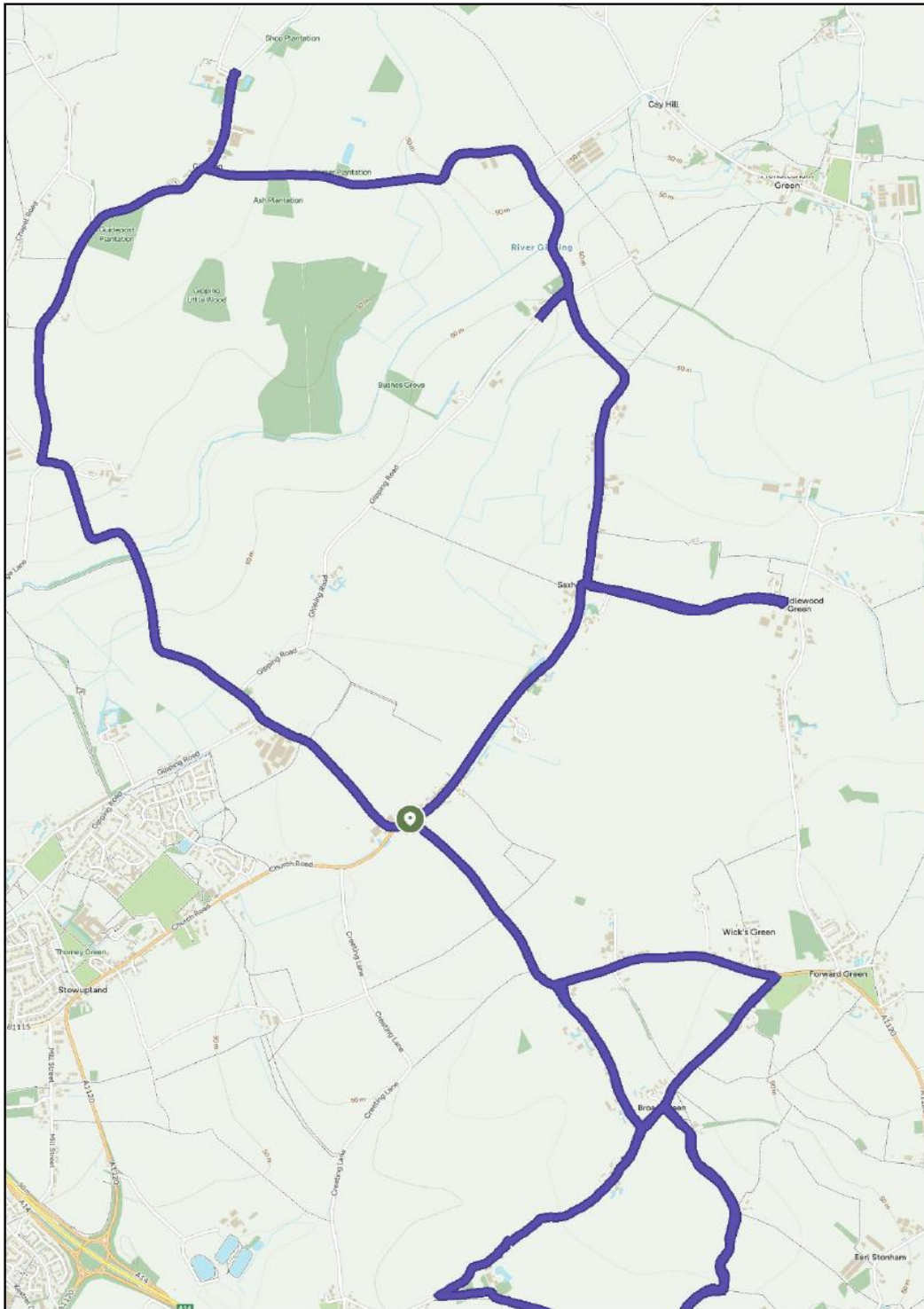


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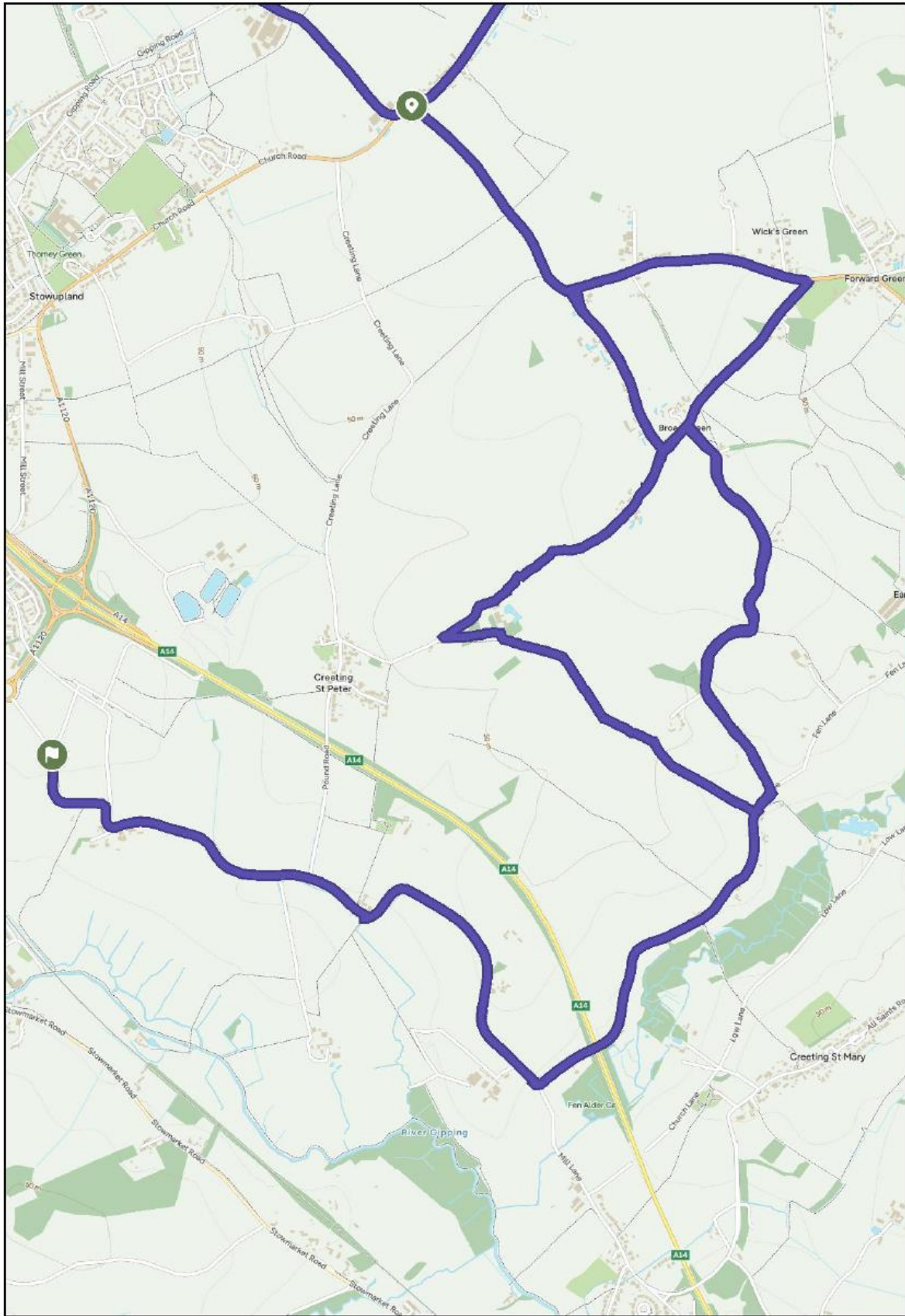
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### Annex A: Routes taken on USI2 (1 of 3) on **Tuesday 2 December 2025** (not to scale)

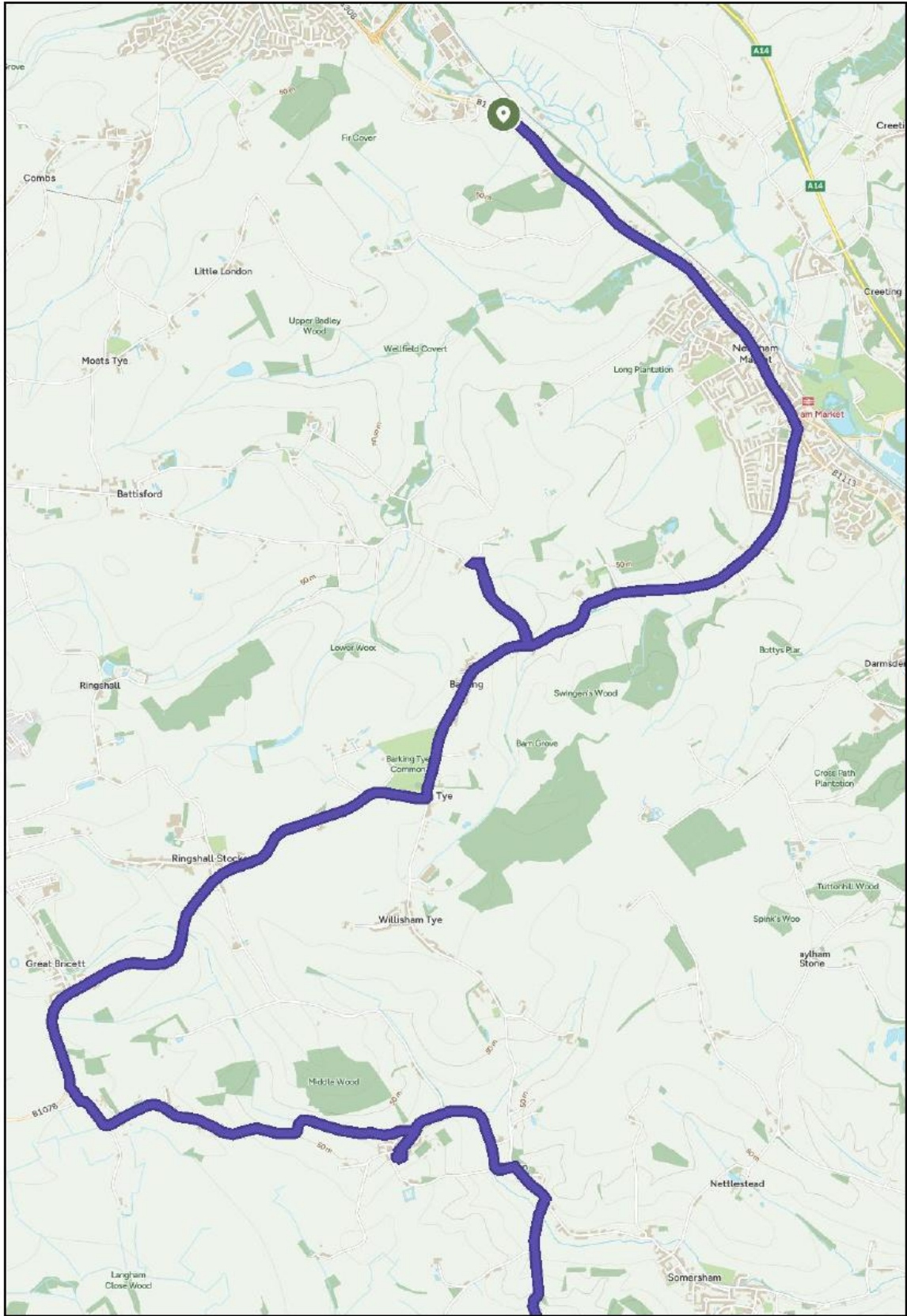


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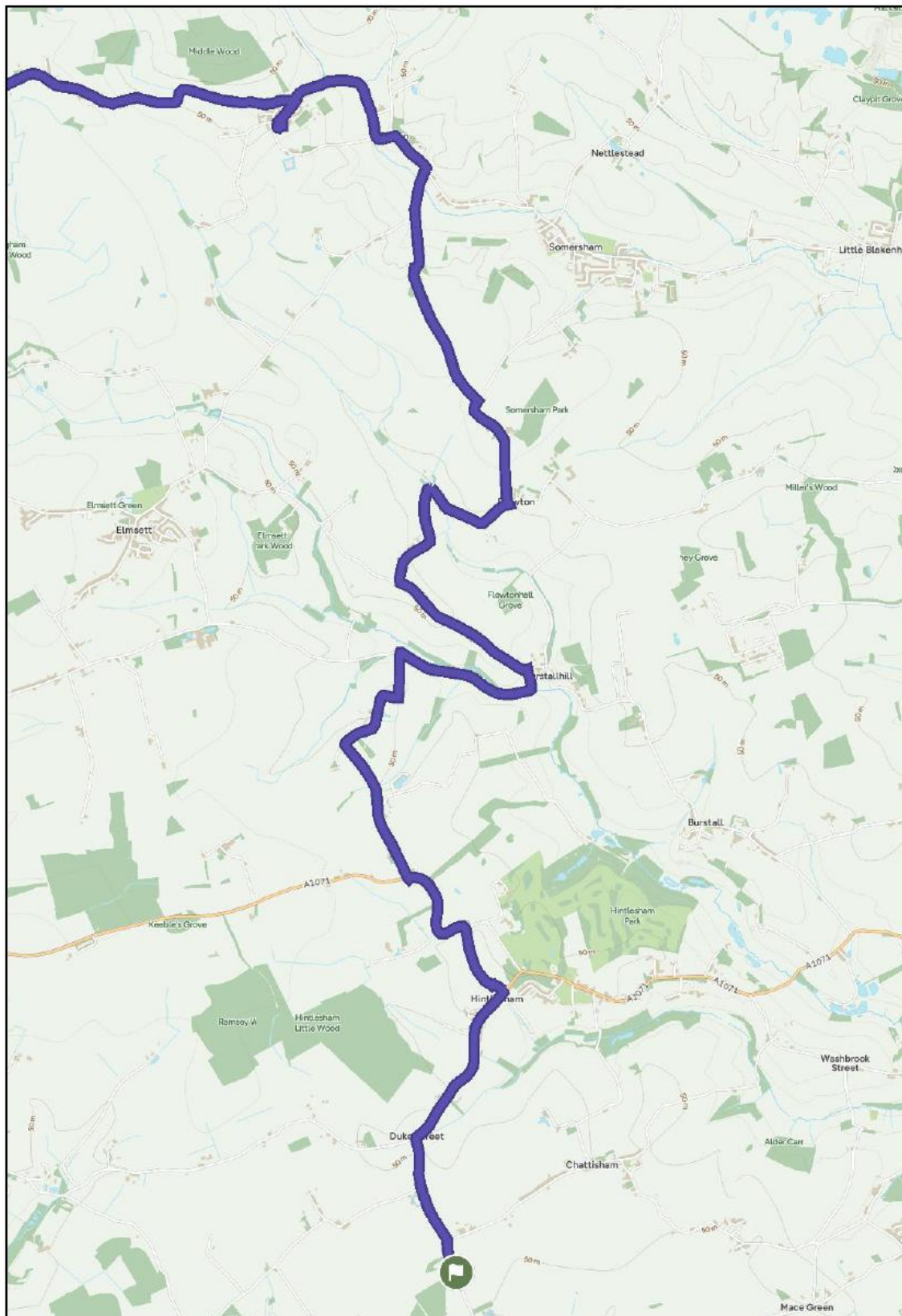


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