

## 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 (3 of 3)

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 **Thursday 4 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 10:30 and finished at approximately 15:00.

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 **4 December** started at Hatfield Peveril and finished at West Tilbury. It included the following settlements and surrounding areas:

- Morning: Hatfield Peverel, Terling, Fairstead, Ranks Green, Little Leighs, Great Leighs, Chatham Green, Chatham Hall Lane Little Waltham, Howe Street, Great Waltham, Minnow End, Broad's Green, Fanner's Green, Chignal Road Chelmsford, Roxwell, Newney Green, Cow Watering Lane, Writtle, Hylands, Margaretting, Ingatestone, Heybridge, Mountnessing and Billericay.
- Afternoon: Billericay, Sudbury's Farm, Little Burstead, Botney Hill, Dunton, Dunton Wayletts, East Horndon, West Horndon, Bulphan, Orsett, Horndon on the Hill, Linford, Chadwell St Mary and West Tilbury.

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

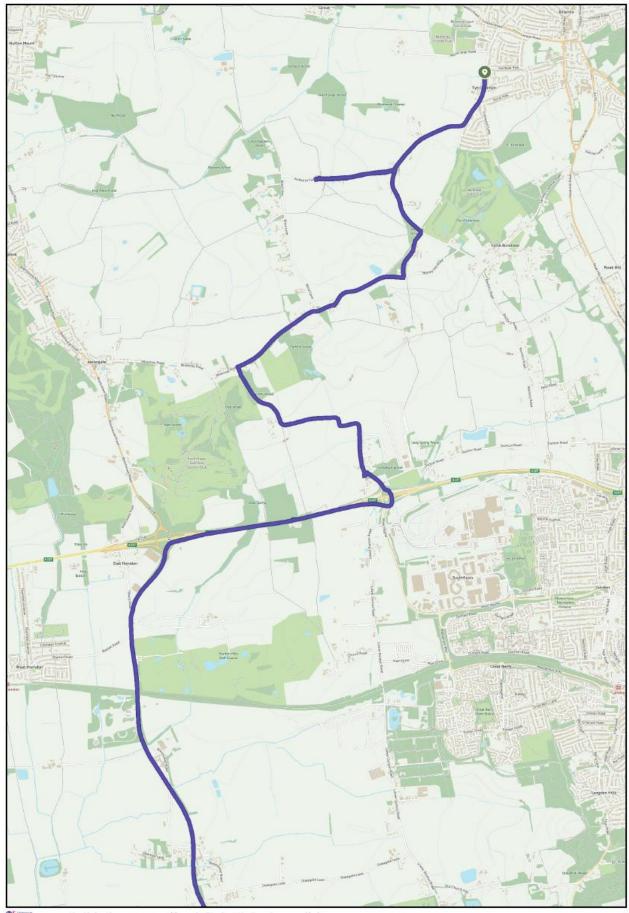
This USI2 note is 3 of 3 for the inspections undertaken from **2 to 4 December 2025**. It should be noted that the northern section of the proposed route from Norwich to Stowupland and other sections of the route were not visited on this occasion. These areas were either previously viewed on USI1 [Project 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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Annex A: Routes taken on USI2 (3 of 3) on Thursday 4 December 2025 (not to scale)



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