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1. Environmental Statement Addendum – Change Request 2: Little Bromley

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 National Grid Electricity Transmission plc (the Applicant) submitted its application for development consent for Norwich to Tilbury ('the Project') in August 2025. The application was accepted for Examination by the Planning Inspectorate on 26 September 2025. The Examination of the Project commenced on 10 February 2026 and is expected to close on 10 August 2026.

1.1.2 The Project comprises reinforcement of the transmission network between the existing Norwich Main Substation in Norfolk and Tilbury Substation in Essex, via Bramford Substation, the new East Anglia Connection Node (EACN) Substation and the new Tilbury North Substation.

1.1.3 The Development Consent Order (DCO) application was accompanied by an Environmental Statement (ES) [**APP-123 to APP-287, AS-026 and AS-068**].

1.1.4 The application was also accompanied by a number of other environmental assessments and reports within, namely:

- **5.3 Habitats Regulations Assessment [APP-082]**
- **5.4 Statement of Statutory Nuisance [APP-083]**
- **7.1 Biodiversity Net Gain Report [APP-299]**
- **7.2 Outline Code of Construction Practice [APP-301 to APP-308, REP2-014 and REP2-016]**
- **7.3 Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan [APP-309 to APP-320]**
- **7.4 Outline Landscape and Ecological Management Plan [REP2-018]**
- **7.5 Outline Archaeological Mitigation Strategy and Outline Written Scheme of Investigation [APP-328]**
- **7.6 Outline Public Rights of Way Management Plan [APP-229]**
- **7.9 Flood Risk Assessment [APP-331]**
- **7.10 Water Framework Directive Assessment [APP-332]**
- **7.11 Transport Assessment [APP-333 to APP-342].**

1.2 Proposed Change Application

1.2.1 While the application has been submitted and accepted for Examination, the Applicant has continued to undertake technical work, along with engagement with stakeholders. As a result of this work, the Applicant submitted a notification of its

intention on 12 December 2025 to make two proposed design changes to the DCO application:

- Bulphan: Change to Third Party Access and Works (Change Request 1) [AS-049]
- Little Bromley: Change to the EACN access (Change Request 2) [AS-050]

- 1.2.2 The proposed design changes apply to two discrete geographical areas of the Project which do not substantially alter the Project as a whole. The proposed design change responds positively to comments from stakeholders and is considered necessary to avoid or minimise potential operational impacts of the Project on existing third-party infrastructure and land uses.
- 1.2.3 This document has been submitted to support the Proposed Change Application (Proposed Change Application 2) for Change Request 2 (Little Bromley). This document reviews the proposed design change to the Project and considers whether it would result in new or different likely significant environmental effects compared to those reported within the ES [APP-123 to APP-287, AS-026 and AS-068]. It also considers whether the conclusions of other relevant assessments, as listed in paragraph 1.1.4, would change as a result of the proposed design changes to the Project and whether any of the control documents included in Volume 7 are required to be updated.
- 1.2.4 In parallel to the submission of Proposed Change Application 2, the Applicant has also submitted a separate application (Proposed Change Application 1) for Change Request 1 (Bulphan). Details relating to Proposed Change Application 1 are included in separate application documents submitted by the Applicant to the ExA on 27 March 2026.

1.3 Description of the Proposed Design Change

- 1.3.1 The Project's proposed access arrangement to the proposed EACN Substation ('Proposed Route') would use a route passing to the south of Little Bromley, Essex (see Figures CR2.1, CR2.2 and CR2.3 in Appendix A).
- 1.3.2 The strategy for access to the EACN Substation is detailed in Section 5.7.10 of **7.3 Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) [APP-309]**. The Proposed Route would potentially serve as access during both the construction and operational phase of the Project.
- 1.3.3 The proposed design change would involve two modifications to the Proposed Route:
- First, a section of the Proposed Route nearest to Bentley Road is realigned to the south, for the permanent access relating to Abnormal Indivisible Loads (AILs) during the operational phase of the Project. The need for a permanent AIL route is to ensure supply standards for the connection are met in the future (by allowing replacement of any component at short notice).
 - Second, to the northwest of the first modification, the Proposed Route for both construction and operational vehicles is changed to generally follow the alignment of the Proposed Route presented at statutory consultation between 10 April and 26 July 2024.
- 1.3.4 In both cases, the modifications respond to feedback from, and ongoing detailed discussions with, affected landowners in order to provide an operational access arrangement that meets the Project need whilst also facilitating ongoing land

management. The first modification (the AIL route) is intended to minimise the effects of the Project on future arable cropping, while the second modification ensures that the Proposed Route more closely follows field boundaries.

- 1.3.5 Additionally, precautionary amendments to existing wood pole supported infrastructure would be accommodated as part of the works e.g. uplifting them.
- 1.3.6 Assumptions on the construction and operation of haul roads can be found in **6.4 Environmental Statement Chapter 4 - Project Description [APP-130]**.
- 1.3.7 The proposed change is shown on the figures in **Appendix A of Proposed Change Application 2: Overview Report – Change Request 2 (Little Bromley) [document reference 9.6]** and plans within **Proposed Change Application 2: Book of Plans – Change Request 2 (Little Bromley) [document reference 9.14]**.

1.4 Review of the Environmental Assessment

- 1.4.1 A review of whether the proposed design change is likely to result in new or different likely significant environmental effects, compared to those reported within the ES **[APP-123 to APP-287, AS-026 and AS-068]**, has been undertaken across all environmental topic chapters. The review has also looked at whether the conclusions set out in other relevant assessments, as listed in Section 1 above, would change as a result of the proposed design change. The results of this review are set out in Tables 1-1 and 1-2.
- 1.4.2 Factors which have been considered when undertaking the review of the proposed design change for each environmental topic chapter reported within the ES **[APP-123 to APP-287, AS-026 and AS-068]** include:
- Whether the proposed design change increases or decreases the Order Limits
 - Whether the proposed design change results in any amendments to the key components of the Project e.g. location of permanent infrastructure
 - Whether the proposed design change introduces any new receptors which should be considered within the assessment or alters likely impacts on existing receptors
 - Whether the proposed design change could alter the proposed construction phase works or programme
 - Whether the proposed design change could alter the proposed operation (and maintenance) of the Project.
- 1.4.3 Since the submission of the application for development consent in August 2025 the Government has published updated National Policy Statements in the form of Overarching National Policy Statement for Energy (EN-1), National Policy Statement for Renewable Energy (EN-3) and National Policy Statement for Electricity Networks (EN-5) in December 2025. The DCO application was accepted for examination before these NPSs were amended, therefore the Project will still be subject to examination pursuant to the 2024 versions as reported in the ES **[APP-123 to APP-287]** and **5.6 Planning Statement [APP-085]**.
- 1.4.4 The revised EN-1, EN-3 and EN-5 reiterate the government's commitment to the Clean Power Action Plan 2030, which aims for at least 95% of the UK's electricity generation to come from clean sources by 2030 and emphasises the urgency of developing Critical National Priority (CNP) and low-carbon infrastructure, thereby

supporting the need case established in the ES [APP-123 to APP-287, AS-026 and AS-068].

- 1.4.5 The revised EN-1 and EN-5 maintain the assessment principles and generic impact considerations outlined in the 2024 versions of EN-1 and EN-5, ensuring continuity in evaluating environmental effects. They also introduce enhanced guidance on biodiversity, flood risk, and climate resilience and the mitigation hierarchy.
- 1.4.6 The proposed design change does not alter the content of the information relating to the development of the Project design and the main alternatives considered as set out within **6.3 Environmental Statement Chapter 3 - Alternatives [APP-127]**. The proposed design change presents a further iteration of the Project following further technical work and ongoing engagement with stakeholders.
- 1.4.7 The proposed design change is also not considered to alter the scope of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) undertaken as set out in **6.19 Scoping Report [APP-288 – APP-296]** and **6.20 Scoping Opinion [APP-297]**.
- 1.4.8 Targeted Consultation on the proposed design change ran between 19 January 2026 and 23 February 2026. An Environmental Implications of Change (EIC) document was made available as part of the consultation documents. The EIC can be found on the Project website. Since the close of the consultation feedback received has been reviewed and regard made to both feedback and the EIC in this addendum. Responses to comments received can be found in **Proposed Change Application 2: Consultation Report - Change Request 2 (Little Bromley) [document reference 9.10]**.
- 1.4.9 Table 1-1 provides a review of whether Change Request 2 would result in any new or different likely significant environmental effects compared to those reported within the ES [APP-123 to APP-287, AS-026 and AS-068] previously submitted, including updates to chapters following submission of the DCO application.

Table 1-1 Review of ES conclusions as a result of Change Request 2

Application Document Reference	Relevant ES Chapter	Review of whether new or different likely significant environmental effects would arise as a result of the proposed design change
APP-138	6.6 Environmental Statement Chapter 6 - Agriculture and Soils	<p>The proposed design change would cause similar disturbance to soils and agricultural land as to that assessed in 6.6 Environmental Statement Chapter 6 - Agriculture and Soils [APP-138]. However, following the implementation of mitigation measures set out in 6.6 Environmental Statement Chapter 6 - Agriculture and Soils [APP-138] and the 7.2 Outline Code of Construction Practice (CoCP) Appendix C - Outline Soil Resource Plan [APP-303], there would be no change to the type or significance of effects on agricultural land, soils and agricultural landholdings as a result of the proposed design change, when compared to 6.6 Environmental Statement Chapter 6 - Agriculture and Soils [APP-138].</p> <p>During operation (and maintenance) there would be no change to the type or significance of effects as a result of the proposed design change, when compared to</p>

Application Document Reference	Relevant ES Chapter	Review of whether new or different likely significant environmental effects would arise as a result of the proposed design change
APP-147	6.7 Environmental Statement Chapter 7 - Air Quality	<p data-bbox="584 282 1465 349">6.6 Environmental Statement Chapter 6 - Agriculture and Soils [APP-138].</p> <p data-bbox="584 371 1465 595">The proposed design change would not result in changes to the outcome of the air quality assessment. The proposed design change would locate the access road approximately 195 m closer to a sensitive residential receptor on Shop Road identified in 6.7 Environmental Statement Chapter 7 - Air Quality [APP-147].</p> <p data-bbox="584 607 1465 887">However, following the implementation of mitigation measures set out in 6.7 Environmental Statement Chapter 7 - Air Quality [APP-147] and 7.2 Outline CoCP Appendix D - Outline Dust Management Plan [APP-304], there would be no change to the type or significance of effects during construction as a result of the proposed design change, when compared to 6.7 Environmental Statement Chapter 7 - Air Quality [APP-147].</p> <p data-bbox="584 898 1465 1155">As set out in 6.19 Scoping Report [APP-296] and 6.20 Scoping Opinion [APP-297], the operation (and maintenance) phase of the Project would not result in any significant effects to air quality. The proposed design change would not alter the scope in 6.19 Scoping Report [APP-296] and 6.20 Scoping Opinion [APP-297], and therefore, has not been considered further.</p>
AS-026	6.8 Environmental Statement Chapter 8 - Ecology and Biodiversity	<p data-bbox="584 1178 1465 2018">The proposed design change would not significantly alter the amount or type of habitat impacted by the access road. The previous design and the proposed design change both affect arable land of negligible value to ecology and biodiversity and modified grassland of low value and local importance to ecology and biodiversity with no additional impacts to hedgerows or trees. There would be no additional impacts to irreplaceable habitats or habitats of principal importance, as presented on Figure CR2.4 - Ecology and Biodiversity - UK Habitat Survey Results Revision and Figure CR2.5 - Ecology and Biodiversity - Linear Habitat Survey Results Revision in Appendix A. The proposed design change would not cause significant impacts during construction or operation (and maintenance) to any designated sites or protected species. Following the implementation of mitigation measures set out in 6.8 Environmental Statement Chapter 8 - Ecology and Biodiversity [AS-026], the 7.4 Outline Landscape and Ecological Management Plan (LEMP) [REP2-018] and 7.2 Outline CoCP [REP2-014], there would be no change to the type or significance of effects during construction or operation (and maintenance) as a result of the proposed design change, when compared to the 6.8 Environmental Statement Chapter 8 - Ecology and Biodiversity [AS-026].</p>

Application Document Reference	Relevant ES Chapter	Review of whether new or different likely significant environmental effects would arise as a result of the proposed design change
APP-181	6.9 Environmental Statement Chapter 9 - Contaminated Land, Geology and Hydrogeology	<p>The proposed design change would result in ground disturbance similar to the extent assessed as part of 6.9 Environmental Statement Chapter 9 - Contaminated Land, Geology and Hydrogeology [APP-181]; however, it would locate an infiltration basin closer to existing private water supply receptors identified directly south of the proposed new Order Limits (see Figure CR2.2 in Appendix A), which would require hydrogeological risk assessment to be undertaken in accordance with commitment GH11 of 7.2 Outline CoCP [REP2-014]. Therefore, following the implementation of existing mitigation measures set out in 6.9 Environmental Statement Chapter 9 - Contaminated Land, Geology and Hydrogeology [APP-181] and the 7.2 Outline CoCP [REP2-014], there would be no change to the type or significance of effects during construction or operation (and maintenance) as a result of the proposed design change, when compared to 6.9 Environmental Statement Chapter 9 - Contaminated Land, Geology and Hydrogeology [APP-181].</p>
APP-192	6.10 Environmental Statement Chapter 10 - Health and Wellbeing	<p>A review of other environmental topics (i.e. air quality, noise and vibration, landscape and visual, socio-economics, recreation and tourism, and traffic and transport) has been undertaken to identify any new or different effects to those recorded in the ES [APP-123 to APP-287]. The review did not identify any new or different effects during construction or operation (and maintenance) to those reported in 6.10 Environmental Statement Chapter 10 – Health and Wellbeing [APP-192], following the implementation of existing mitigation outlined in the 7.2 Outline CoCP [REP2-014] and 7.6 Outline Public Rights of Way (PRoW) Management Plan [APP-329]. As such, the proposed design change would not result in any changes to the outcome of 6.10 Environmental Statement Chapter 10 – Health and Wellbeing [APP-192].</p>
AS-068	6.11 Environmental Statement Chapter 11 - Historic Environment	<p>Designated Heritage Assets: The historic environment assessment identifies six Grade II listed buildings (National Heritage List Entries (NHLEs) 1493299, 1111459, 1337176, 1111421, 1337177 and 1337155; and one Grade II* listed church (The Church of St Mary, NHLE 1337175) the setting of which would be impacted by the Project around the location of the proposed design change (see Figure CR2.7 in Appendix A). The proposed design change would neither increase nor decrease the number of impacted designated heritage assets whose settings would be impacted by the Project, nor would the magnitude of impact be altered. The assessment reported in 6.11 Environmental Statement Chapter 11 - Historic Environment [AS-068] concludes the impact through change to the settings of the seven listed</p>

Application Document Reference	Relevant ES Chapter	Review of whether new or different likely significant environmental effects would arise as a result of the proposed design change
		<p>buildings as not significant. The proposed design change would not change the assessment set out in 6.11 Environmental Statement Chapter 11 - Historic Environment [AS-068].</p> <p>Non-designated Heritage Assets: The historic environment assessment identifies one medium value non-designated cropmark complex (3227) in this area, the archaeological remains and setting of which would be impacted by the Project around the location of the proposed design change (see Figure CR2.7 in Appendix A). The proposed design change would not change the proportion of the asset affected by the Project and therefore the magnitude of impact experienced by the asset. The assessment reported in 6.11 Environmental Statement Chapter 11 - Historic Environment [AS-068] concludes the impact of the Project on the archaeological remains and setting of asset (3227) as being not significant. The proposed design change would not change the assessment set out in 6.11 Environmental Statement Chapter 11 - Historic Environment [AS-068].</p> <p>The proposed design change would not lead to any new or different significant effects during construction to heritage assets when compared to the results presented in 6.11 Environmental Statement Chapter 11 - Historic Environment [AS-068].</p> <p>During operation (and maintenance) there would be no change to the type or significance of effects as a result of the proposed design change, when compared to 6.11 Environmental Statement Chapter 11 - Historic Environment [AS-068], as all land would be reinstatement to its former use following construction.</p>
APP-221	6.12 Environmental Statement Chapter 12 - Hydrology, Land Drainage, and Flood Risk.	<p>The proposed design change would not result in any changes to the water environment during construction or operation (and maintenance). The proposed design change does not require the crossing of any additional watercourses or areas of fluvial floodplain or areas with a high surface water flooding. The proposed design change does not interact with any new receptors. Therefore, following the implementation of relevant mitigation measures set out in 6.12 Environmental Statement Chapter 12 - Hydrology, Land Drainage and Flood Risk [APP-221] and the 7.2 Outline CoCP [REP2-014], there would be no change to the type or significance of effect during construction or operation (and maintenance) as a result of the proposed design change, compared to 6.12 Environmental Statement Chapter 12 - Hydrology, Land Drainage and Flood Risk [APP-221].</p>
APP-228 APP-229	6.13 Environmental	<p>The proposed design change would not materially change the anticipated construction activity within Landscape Character</p>

Application Document Reference	Relevant ES Chapter	Review of whether new or different likely significant environmental effects would arise as a result of the proposed design change
APP-230 APP-236	Statement Chapter 13 - Landscape and Visual	<p>Area (LCA) 7A Bromley Heaths. This would not result in any new or different significant effects on landscape character to those reported within 6.13.A2 Environmental Statement Appendix 13.2 - Landscape Baseline and Assessment [APP-228].</p> <p>The proposed design change would not materially change the visual effects of construction and the access road within Visual Receptor Area (VRA) C13 Little Bromley. The proposed design change to the access road would not result in any new or different significant effects on visual amenity to those reported within 6.13.A3 Environmental Statement Appendix 13.3 - Visual Baseline and Assessment – Part 1 [APP-229].</p> <p>The proposed design change to the access road would not change views experienced from Viewpoint 3.13: PRoW, Little Bromley (Little Bromley 16) to the south, nor from Viewpoint 3.21: Barn Lane, Little Bromley (see Figure CR2.7 in Appendix A). This would result in no change to the effects on visual amenity to those reported within 6.13.A3 Environmental Statement Appendix 13.13 - Visual Baseline and Assessment – Part 2 [APP-230].</p> <p>During operation (and maintenance) there would be no change to the type or significance of effects as a result of the proposed change, when compared to 6.13 Environmental Statement Chapter 13 - Landscape and Visual [APP-226].</p> <p>The proposed design change would not materially alter the total amount of arboricultural features impacted, as presented on Figure CR2.6 - Arboriculture Impacts Plan, Change Request 2 in Appendix A. There are no anticipated impacts to veteran trees or high and moderate quality arboricultural features. The proposed design change would not result in any new or different significant effects during construction or operation (and maintenance) on arboricultural features to those reported within the 6.13.A6 Environmental Statement Appendix 13.6 - Arboricultural Impact Assessment AIA [APP-236].</p>
APP-256	6.14 Environmental Statement Chapter 14 - Noise and Vibration	<p>The proposed design change would not result in any changes to the outcome of the noise and vibration assessment. The proposed design change would bring some construction activities closer to nearby noise sensitive receptors on Shop Road, but the distance would be sufficient that significant adverse effects would not be expected with standard mitigation measures.</p> <p>Following the implementation of mitigation measures set out in 6.14 Environmental Statement Chapter 14 - Noise and Vibration [APP-256] and the 7.2 Outline CoCP Appendix F - Outline Noise and Vibration Management Plan</p>

Application Document Reference	Relevant ES Chapter	Review of whether new or different likely significant environmental effects would arise as a result of the proposed design change
		<p>[APP-306], there would be no change to the type or significance of effects during construction as a result of the proposed design change, when compared to 6.14 Environmental Statement Chapter 14 - Noise and Vibration [APP-256].</p> <p>As set out in 6.19 Scoping Report [APP-296] and 6.20 Scoping Opinion [APP-297], the operation (and maintenance) phase of the Project would not result in any significant effects to noise and vibration as a result of these types of works. The proposed design change would not alter the scope in 6.19 Scoping Report [APP-296] and 6.20 Scoping Opinion [APP-297], and therefore, has not been considered further.</p>
APP-265	6.15 Environmental Statement Chapter 15 - Socio-economics, Recreation and Tourism	<p>The proposed design change would not result in any the new or different significance of effects during construction or operation (and maintenance) to the outcomes of 6.15 Environmental Statement Chapter 15 - Socio-economics, Recreation and Tourism [APP-265].</p>
APP-271	6.16 Environmental Statement Chapter 16 - Traffic and Transport	<p>The proposed design change would impact the PRoWs Little Bromley 13 and Little Bromley 14 (see Figure CR2.7 in Appendix A), which are already impacted by the Project. Therefore, the proposed design change would not result in any changes to the outcome of 6.16 Environmental Statement Chapter 16 - Traffic and Transport [APP-271], following the implementation measures set out in 7.6 Outline PRoW Management Plan [APP-329].</p> <p>In terms of construction traffic, the peak activity on associated Primary Access Routes (PARs) would not increase and the findings of the assessment in 6.16 Environmental Statement Chapter 16 - Traffic and Transport [APP-271] would remain not significant.</p> <p>As set out in 6.19 Scoping Report [APP-296] and 6.20 Scoping Opinion [APP-297], the operation (and maintenance) phase of the Project would not result in any significant effects to traffic and transport. The proposed design change would not alter the scope in 6.19 Scoping Report [APP-296] and 6.20 Scoping Opinion [APP-297], and therefore, has not been considered further.</p>
APP-281	6.17 Environmental Statement Chapter 17 -	<p>Given there is no change to the assessed significant effects in the conclusions presented in each of the topics above, and there would be no change to the sources of intra-project effects (or in combination with Change Request 1: Bulphan), the proposed design change would not alter the conclusions in terms of likely significant intra-project effects reported in</p>

Application Document Reference	Relevant ES Chapter	Review of whether new or different likely significant environmental effects would arise as a result of the proposed design change
	Cumulative Effects	<p>6.17 Environmental Statement Chapter 17 - Cumulative Effects [APP-281].</p> <p>The proposed design change would not alter the Project's interaction with other developments identified in 6.17 Environmental Statement Chapter 17 -: Cumulative Effects [APP-281], which include developments up to and including to 1 April 2025. In addition, a review has been undertaken prior to the submission of this Proposed Change Application 2 to determine if the proposed change introduces interactions with any new developments identified post 1 April 2025. No new developments were identified.</p>

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1.4.11 Table 1-2 provides a review of whether Change Request 2 would change the findings reported in other environmental assessments included within the DCO application.

Table 1-2 Review of other DCO application document assessment conclusions as a result of Change Request 2

Application Document Reference	Relevant DCO Application Document	Review of whether new or different conclusions would arise as a result of the proposed change
1.4.12 APP-299	1.4.13 7.1 Biodiversity Net Gain Report	<p>1.4.14 There would be no change to the conclusions of this document due to the proposed design change. A similar amount of arable land would be removed with small area of modified grassland also removed. Therefore, this change in habitat loss would have no significant effect on the calculations in 7.1 Biodiversity Net Gain Report [APP-299]. There would be no new impacts to habitats of value to ecology and biodiversity.</p> <p>1.4.15 The Main Works Contractor will update the Biodiversity Net Gain report following detailed design.</p>
1.4.16 REP2-014	1.4.17 7.2 Outline Code of Construction Practice	1.4.18 There would be no change to this document as a result of the proposed design change.
1.4.19 APP-309	1.4.20 7.3 Outline Construction Management Plan	1.4.21 There would be no change to this document as a result of the proposed design change.
1.4.22 REP2-018	1.4.23 7.4 Outline Landscape and Ecological	1.4.24 There would be no change to this document as a result of the proposed design change.

Application Document Reference	Relevant DCO Application Document	Review of whether new or different conclusions would arise as a result of the proposed change
1.4.25 APP-328	<p>Management Plan</p> <p>1.4.26 7.5 Outline Archaeological Mitigation Strategy and Outline Written Scheme of Investigation</p>	1.4.27 There would be no change to this document as a result of the proposed design change.
1.4.28 APP-329	1.4.29 7.6 Outline PRoW Management Plan	1.4.30 This document will be updated to capture the change in construction activity interaction with the PRoW that cross the haul road.
1.4.31 APP-331	1.4.32 7.9 Flood Risk Assessment	1.4.33 There would be no change to the conclusions of 7.9 Flood Risk Assessment [APP-331] . The proposed design change alters the alignment of the permanent carriageway from Bentley Road to Ardleigh Road, avoiding an area at high risk of surface water flooding which the original alignment interacted with (see Figure CR2.7 in Appendix A). Therefore, proposed design change is positive in this regard. There would be no new or different adverse effects with regards to flood risk as a result of the proposed design change.
1.4.34 APP-332	1.4.35 7.10 Water Framework Directive Assessment	1.4.36 The proposed design change is located within the existing Zone of Influence of 7.10 Water Framework Directive (WFD) Assessment [APP-332] . Therefore, it does not interact with any new surface, transitional or coastal WFD waterbodies that are not already screened into the assessment reported in 7.10 Water Framework Directive Assessment [APP-332] . Other than an extended Order Limits, there are no changes to the proposed activities compared to the existing application. Therefore, there would be no new or different effects with regards to the impact on WFD waterbodies as a result of the proposed design change.
1.4.37 APP-333	1.4.38 7.11 Transport Assessment	<p>1.4.39 The proposed design change would impact the PRoWs Little Bromley 13 and Little Bromley 14 (see Figure CR2.7 in Appendix A), which are already impacted by the Project. Therefore, the proposed design change would not result in any changes to the outcome of 7.11 Transport Assessment [APP-333].</p> <p>1.4.40 In terms of construction traffic, the peak activity on associated Primary Access Routes (PARs) would not increase and the findings of the assessment in 7.11 Transport Assessment [APP-333] would not change.</p>

1.5 Conclusion

- 1.5.1 In summary, the proposed design change would not introduce new or different likely significant environmental effects compared to those reported in the ES [**APP-123 to APP-287, AS-026 and AS-068**].
- 1.5.2 The proposed design change (either in isolation or in combination with Change Request 1: Bulphan) is not likely to affect the overall assessment and conclusions with respect to the likely significant effects presented within the ES [**APP-123 to APP-287, AS-026 and AS-068**]. However, the proposed design change would result in updates to the following documents which would be submitted into the Examination at Deadline 4:
- **7.6 Outline PRoW Management Plan [APP-329].**
- 1.5.3 **9.7 Proposed Change Application 1: Schedule of Changes to DCO Application Document – Change Request 1 (Bulphan) (document reference 6.9)** provides a list of all documents that would be submitted into the Examination as a result of the proposed design change. The Flood Risk Assessment and the Transport Assessment would not be updated as although the Order Limits have been amended, the conclusions of the documents would not change

Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Full Reference
CoCP	Code of Construction Practice
CNP	Critical National Priority
CTMP	Construction Traffic Management Plan
DCO	Development Consent Order
EACN	East Anglia Connection Node
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
EN-1	Overarching National Policy Statement for Energy
EN-3	National Policy Statement for Renewable Energy
EN-5	National Policy Statement for Electricity Networks
ES	Environmental Statement
ExA	Examining Authority
LCA	Landscape Character Area
LEMP	Landscape and Ecological Management Plan
NHLE	National Heritage List Entry
NPS	National Policy Statement
PRoW	Public Right of Way
VRA	Visual Receptor Area
WFD	Water Framework Directive

Glossary

Term	Description
Environmental Statement (ES)	The main output from the EIA process, an ES is the report required to accompany an application for development consent (under the Infrastructure Planning (EIA) Regulations 2017) to inform public and stakeholder consultation and the decision on whether a project should be allowed to proceed. The EIA Regulations set out specific requirements for the contents of an ES for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects.
Local Planning Authority	The public authority whose duty it is to carry out specific planning functions for a particular area.
Mitigation	The action of reducing the severity and magnitude of change (impact) to the environment. Measures to avoid, reduce, remedy or compensate for significant adverse effects.
Order Limits	The maximum extent of land within which the authorised development may take place.

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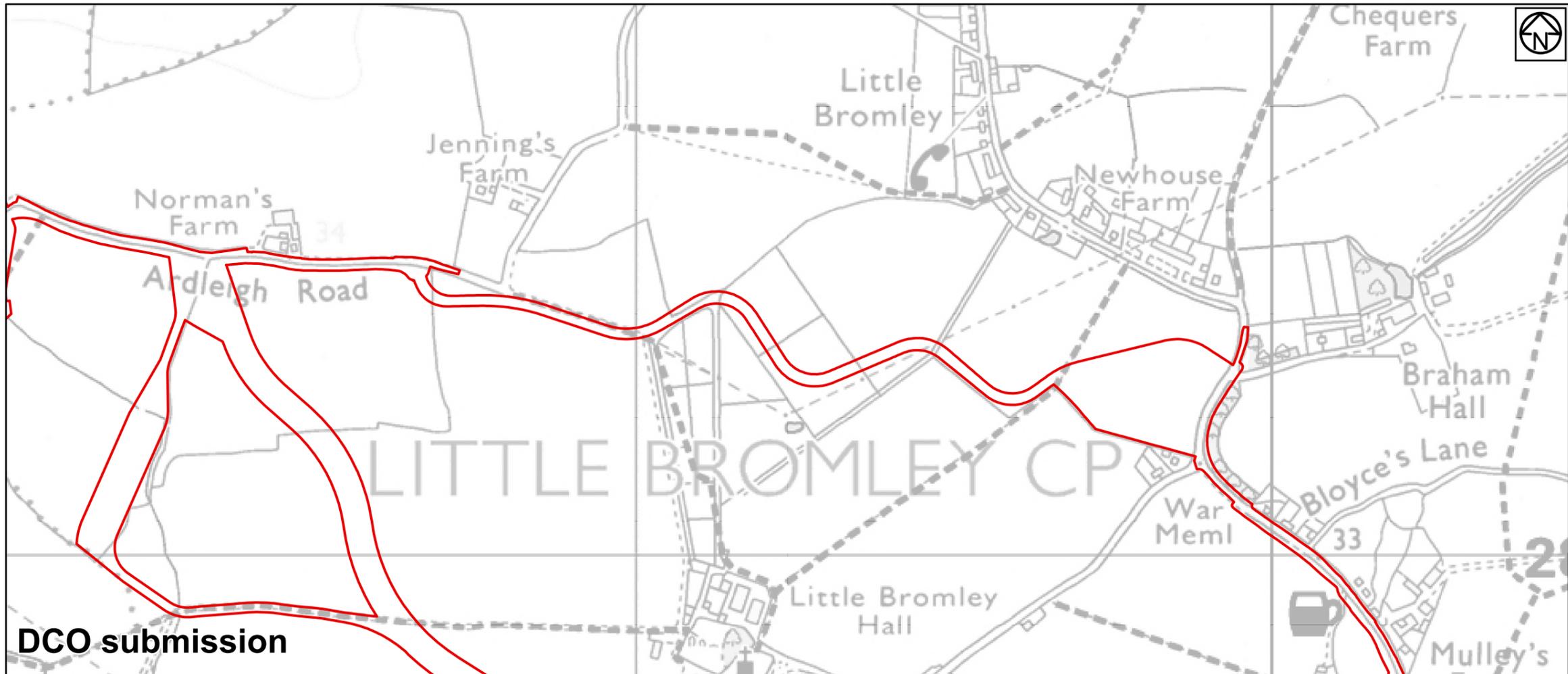
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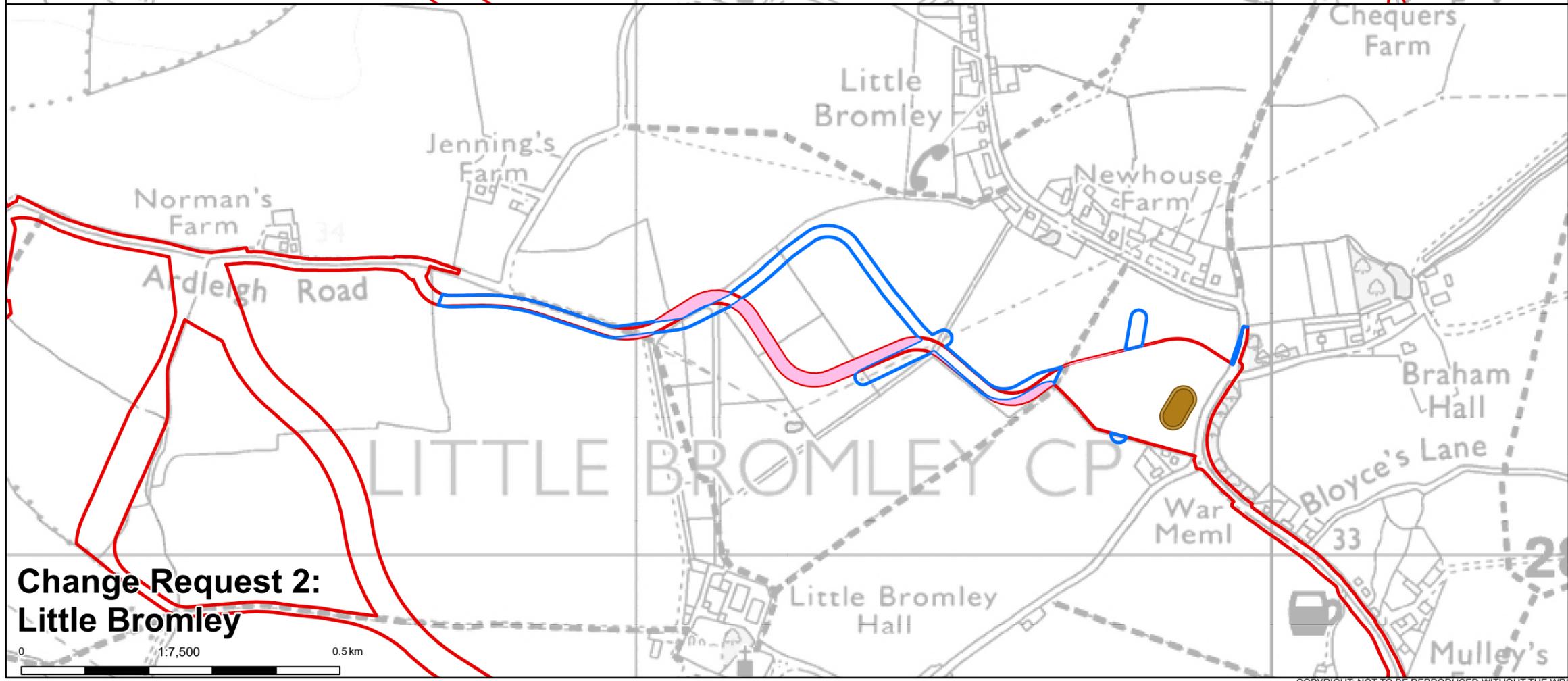
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Appendix A.

Figures



DCO submission



**Change Request 2:
Little Bromley**

- ▬ DCO Order Limits
- ▬ Proposed new Order Limits
- Current Order Limits to be removed
- Permanent infiltration drainage feature

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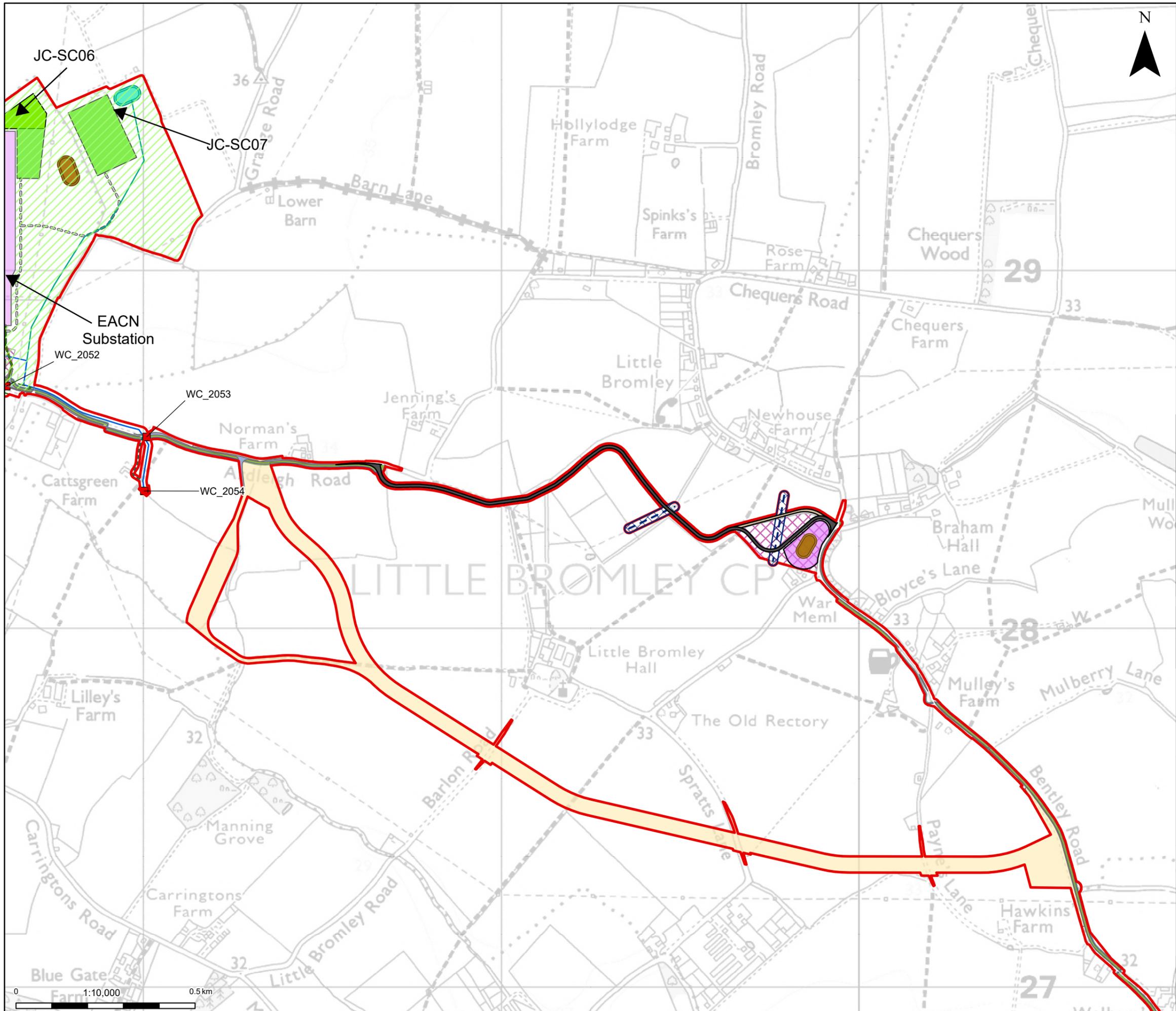
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- Order limits**
- Proposed permanent design details**
 - Proposed DNO Substation
 - Proposed East Anglia Connection Node (EACN) Substation
 - Proposed comms connection
 - Proposed permanent attenuation drainage channel
 - Proposed permanent drainage access route
 - Proposed Footway (Hatching)
 - Proposed Informal Crossing Point (Hatching)
 - Proposed Verge (Hatching)
 - Proposed Substation / Cable Sealing End (CSE) compound permanent access routes
 - Proposed cable permanent access (no physical works)
 - Proposed Environmental Areas - Permanent
 - Proposed permanent road widening
 - Proposed underground cable/CSE compound/substation/outfall watercourse crossing - permanent
- Proposed temporary design details**
 - Proposed Cable Sealing End (CSE) compound/substation construction compound
 - Proposed temporary attenuation drainage
- Proposed temporary infiltration drainage
- Proposed site access point
- Proposed bypass haul road
- Proposed temporary haul road
- Proposed concrete batching compound
- Proposed temporary drainage access route
- Proposed outfall location
- Proposed highways mitigation compounds
- Proposed EACN customers access
- Proposed PRoW diversions
- EACN Access Change**
 - EACN Access Perm Carriageway
 - EACN Access Temp Haul Road
 - Permanent infiltration drainage feature
 - Surface water drainage buffer
 - EACN Access UKPN Uplifting
 - EACN Access UKPN Pole Uplifting Buffer

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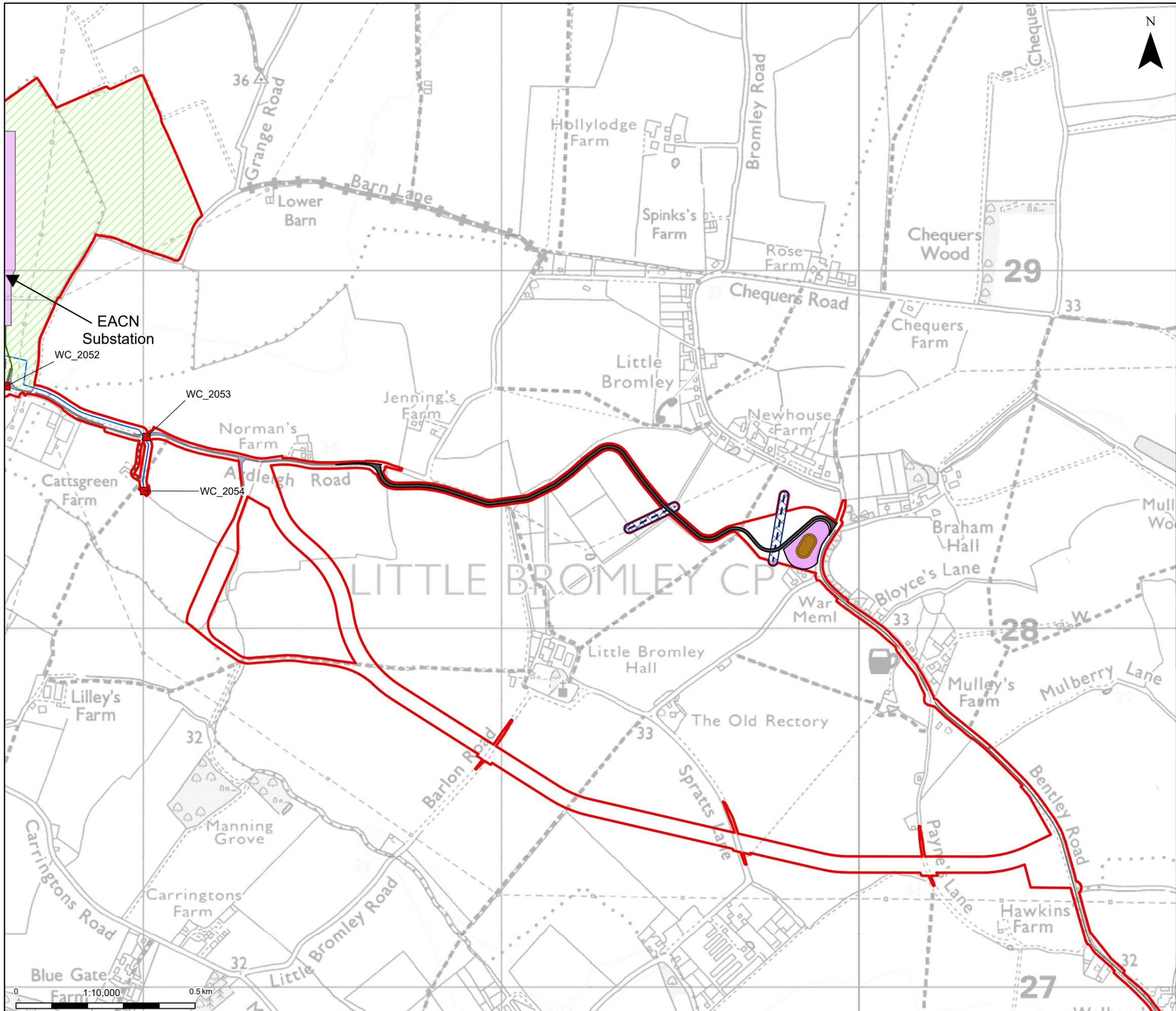
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Order limits

Proposed permanent design details

- Proposed Substation / Cable Sealing End (CSE) compound permanent access routes
- Proposed DNO Substation
- Proposed East Anglia Connection Node (EACN) Substation
- Proposed Environmental Areas - Permanent
- Proposed permanent attenuation drainage channel
- Proposed permanent drainage access route
- Proposed cable permanent access (no physical works)
- Proposed permanent road widening

Proposed underground cable/ substation/outfall watercourse crossing - permanent

EACN Access Change

- EACN Access Perm Carriageway
- Permanent infiltration drainage feature
- Surface water drainage buffer
- EACN Access UKPN Uplifting
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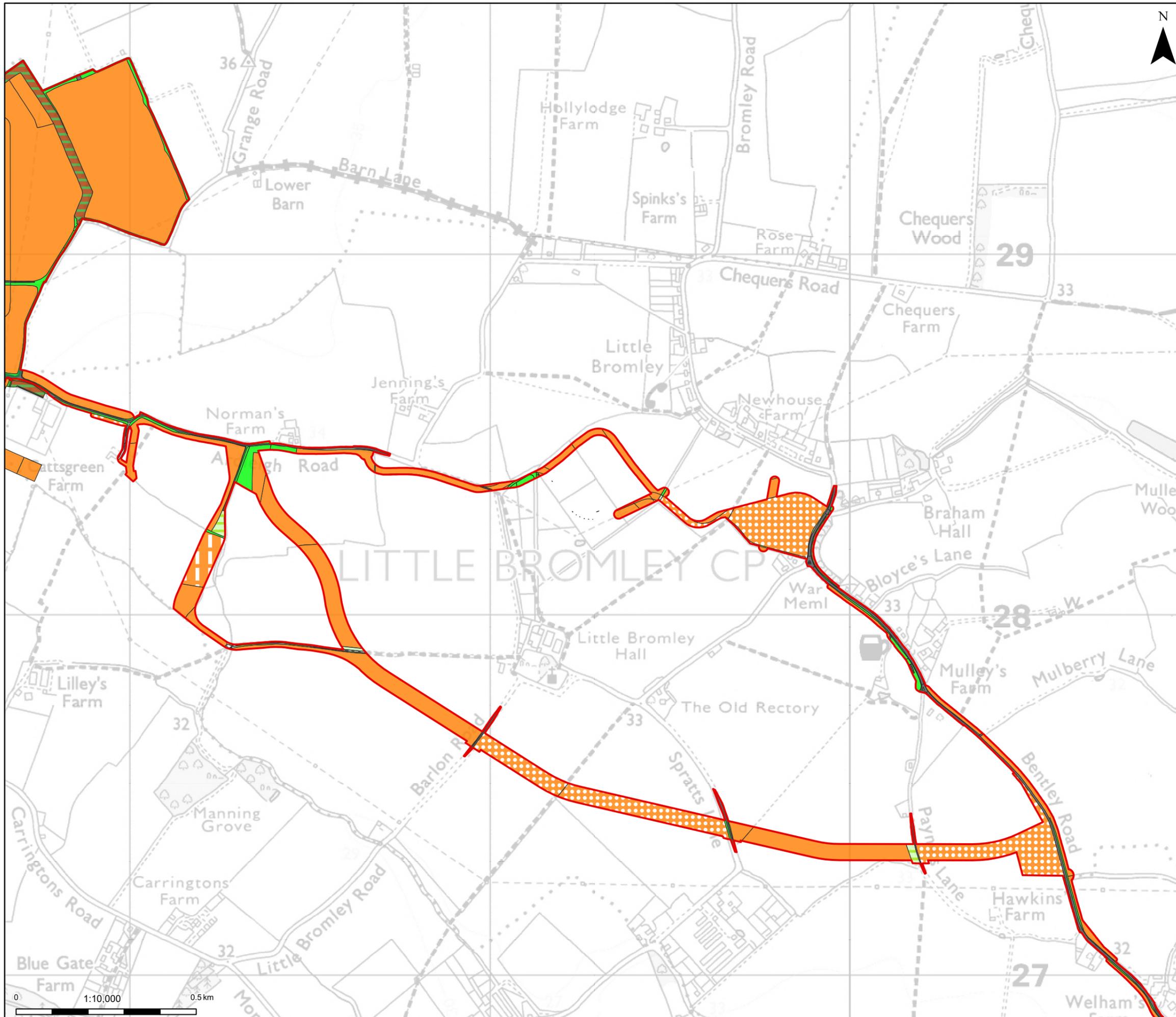
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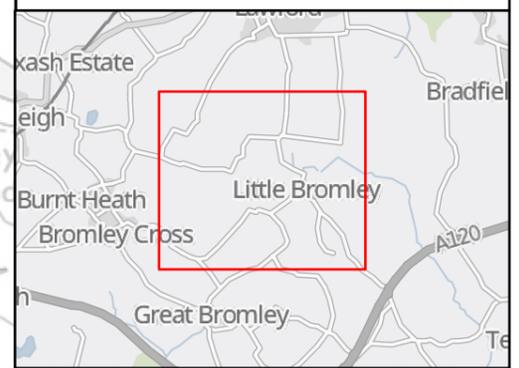
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- Order limits
- Environmental area
- Discipline specific constraints**
- Habitat**
- Cereal crops
- Non-cereal crops
- Winter stubble
- Modified grassland
- Other neutral grassland
- Artificial unvegetated, unsealed surface
- Bare ground
- Built linear features
- Developed land; sealed surface
- Vegetated garden
- Lowland mixed deciduous woodland
- Other woodland; broadleaved

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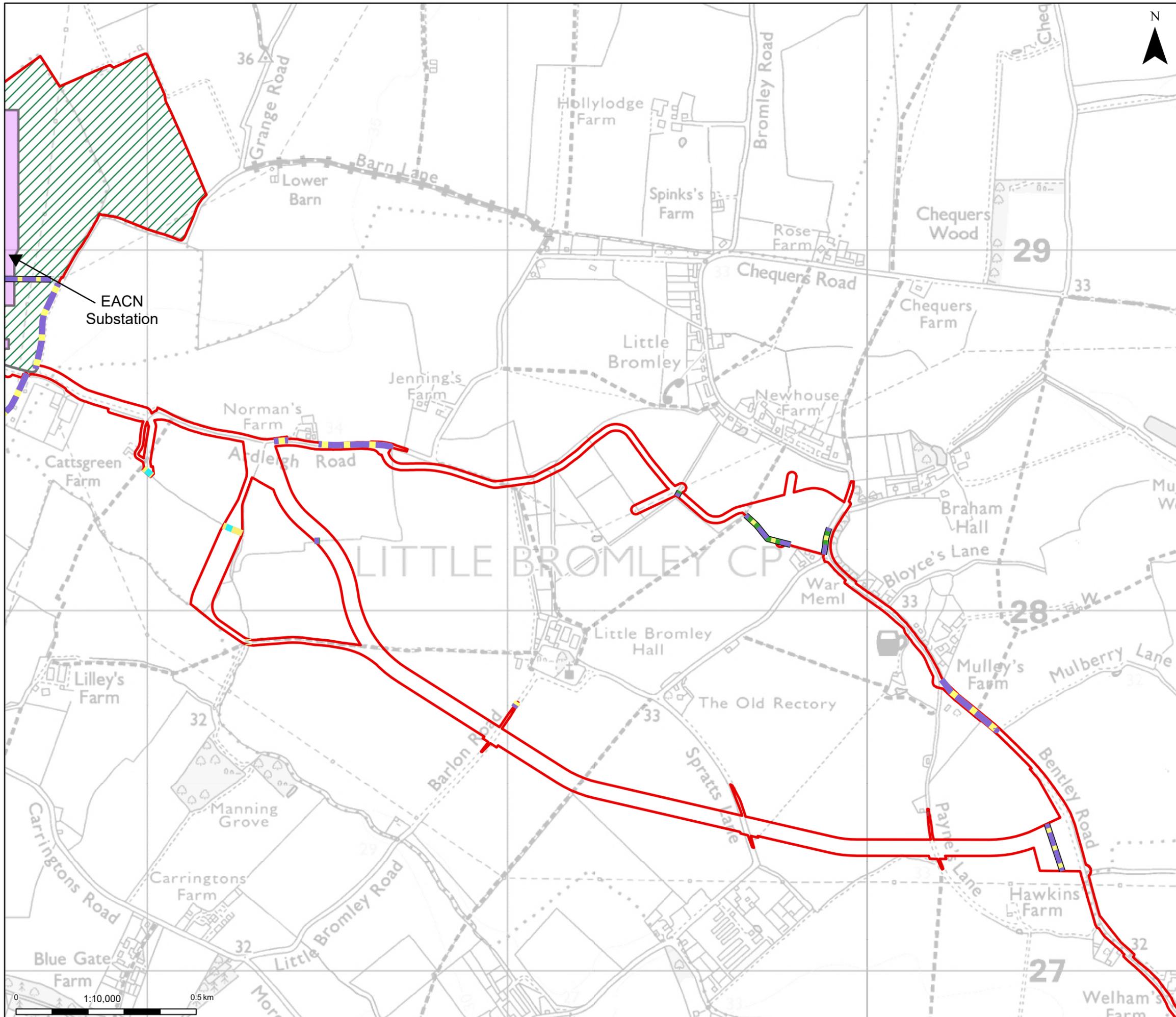
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- Order limits
- Proposed DNO Substation
- Proposed East Anglia Connection Node (EACN) Substation
- Environmental area
- Native hedgerow - associated with bank or ditch
- Native hedgerow with trees
- Ditch
- Native hedgerow with trees - associated with bank or ditch
- Discipline specific constraints
- Native hedgerow

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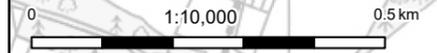
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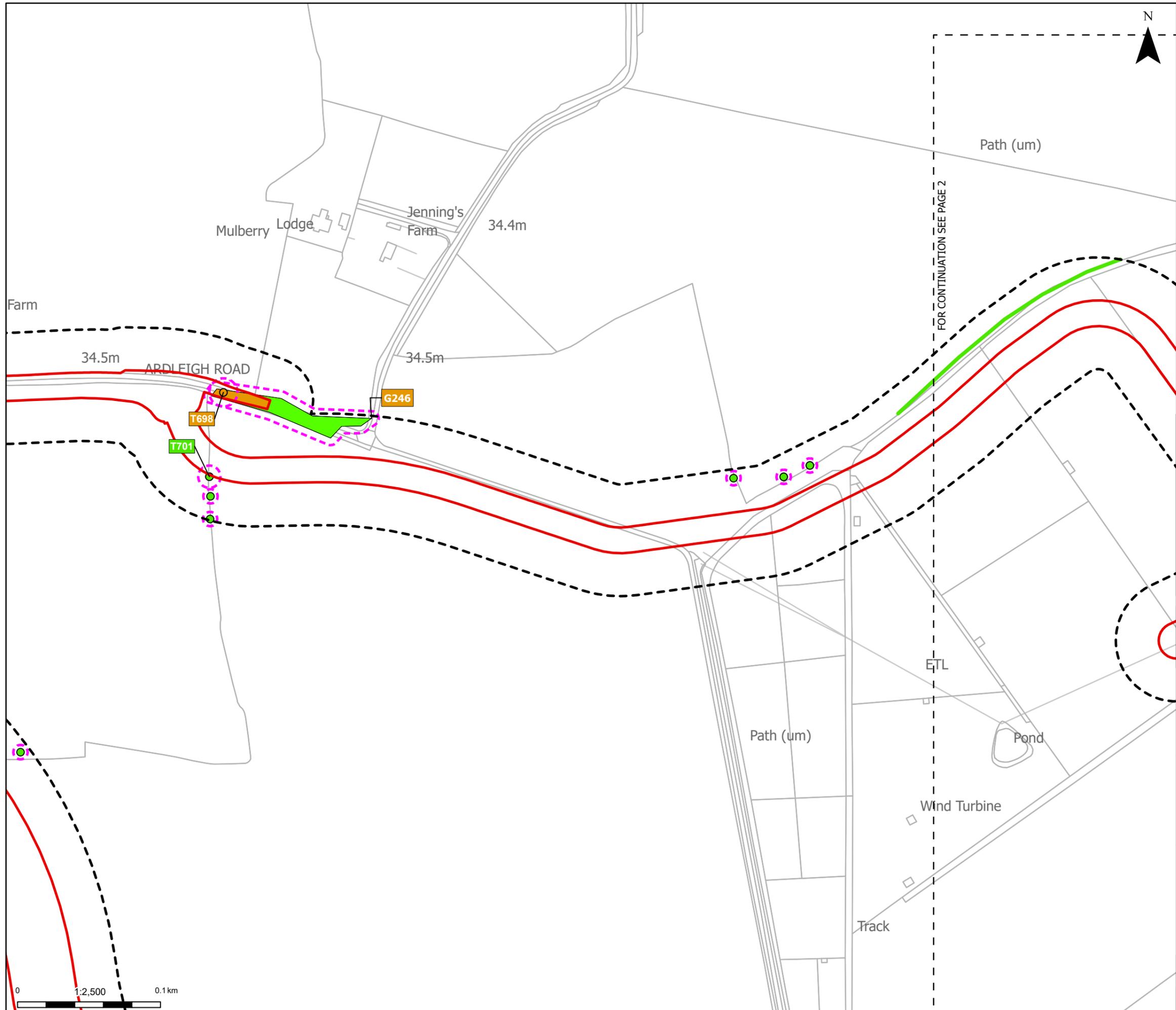
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Order limits
 Sheet index outline

Discipline specific constraints
 Arboriculture Study Area
 Root protection area

Trees - Impact
 Potentially Affected
 Unaffected

Hedgerow - Impact
 Unaffected

Groups of trees - Impact
 Potentially Affected
 Unaffected

Note: The proposed overhead line alignment and proposed underground cable alignment together comprise the alignment. For further details regarding the design, please refer to Figures 4.1 (document reference 6.4.F1) and 4.2 (document reference 6.4.F2).

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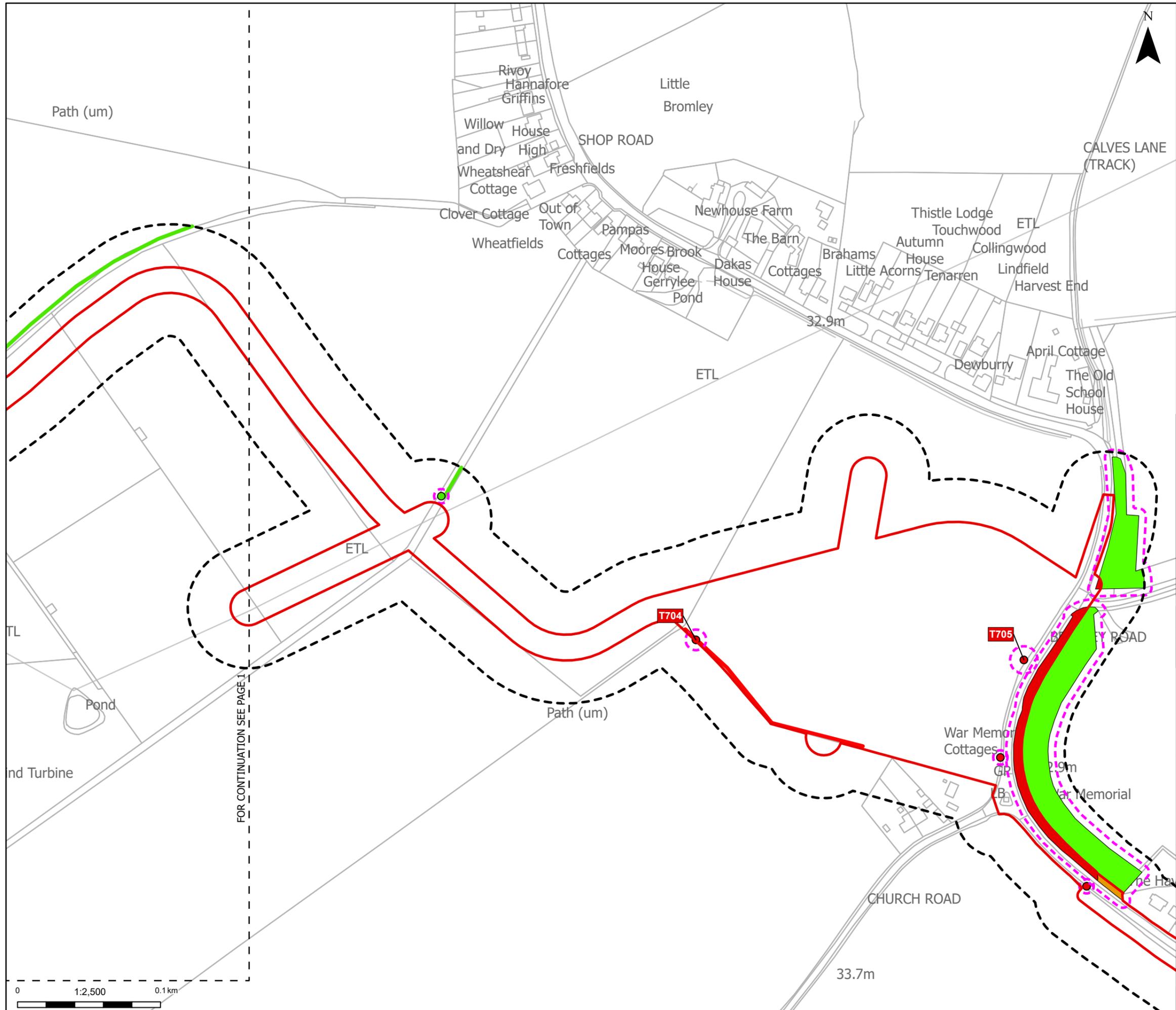
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Discipline specific constraints
 Arboriculture Study Area
 Root protection area

Trees - Impact
 Removed
 Unaffected

Hedgerow - Impact
 Removed
 Unaffected

Groups of trees - Impact
 Removed
 Potentially Affected
 Unaffected

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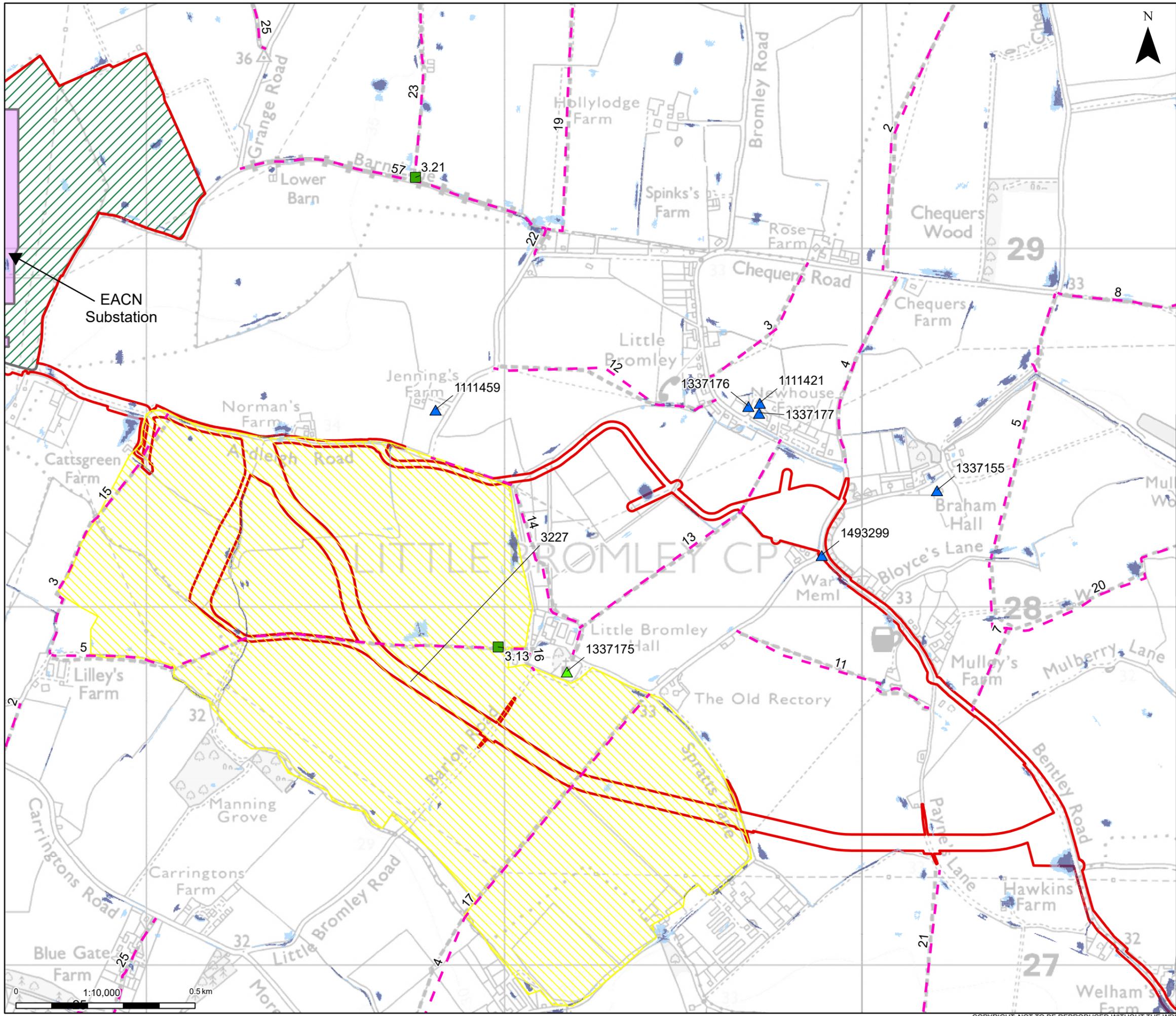
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Order limits

Proposed project design details

- Proposed DNO Substation
- Proposed East Anglia Connection Node (EACN) Substation
- Environmental area
- ES Landscape and Visual Viewpoint (Photomontage)

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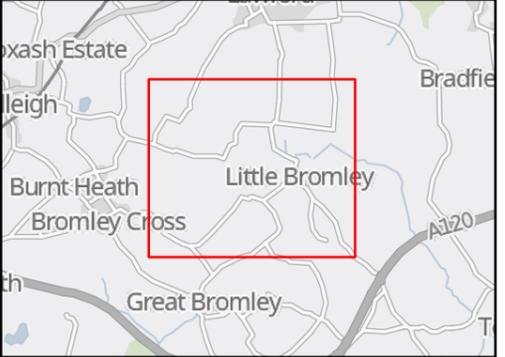
- High
- Medium

HER Monument Poly

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- Listed buildings
- Grade II*
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