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4<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Dear

#### **RE:** Bishops Dal Energy Storage System Proposal

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RES is committed to engaging early with the local community and key stakeholders to facilitate constructive consultation. We will shortly begin a number of consultation activities for the wider community including public exhibitions, in the local area, in order to provide more information and to gather people's feedback on the proposal. We have also launched a dedicated project website at www.bishopsdal-energystorage.co.uk/.

We would welcome the opportunity to arrange a meeting with you at a convenient time, should you wish to discuss the project further or ask any questions.

Yours sincerely,



John Hills Project Development Manager E john.hills@res-group.com

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### NEWS



Smailholm Church

# **Blessing for**<br/>**house bid**

#### by Paul Kelly Local Democracy Reporter paul.kelly1@nationalworld.com

Plans have been revealed to safeguard the future of an historic village church with its conversion into a four-bedroom family home.

Smailholm Church, which avoided demolition during the reformation, is believed to date back to the 12th century.

It contains many original and historical features including stained glass windows, a pipe organ, and the laird's loft – where the local landowner and his family would sit, separate from other parishioners.

Now an application has been submitted to Scottish Borders Council for its change of use.

The applicant's aim is to convert the disused building

and to give it a "new lease of life, repairing and sensitively retrofitting existing fabric to current environmental standards".

A design statement with the application, submitted by South Queensferry-based WT Architecture, says: "The proposals for the conversion of Smailholm Church into a dwelling carefully balance the historic value and character of the building with the requirements that come with a new use (both sustainability and function) allowing the building to be safeguarded for future generation, to be looked after and to continue contributing to the setting of Smailholm village and the Smailholm Conservation

Area. "The intervention is respectful to both the building and its setting, allowing key features to remain where pos"The changes to the building fabric are sensitive, in keeping with the character of the building and propose fabric improvements in line with latest recommendations by Historic Environment Scot-

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ing the church into active use after being unoccupied since 2019." The results of a survey have established the presence of several bat species within the graveyard, but no activity within the church it-

self. The proposed works will involve limited alterations to the exterior of the historic building.

## Woo Town in Melrose

Marmions in Melrose are delighted to welcome Woo Town to perform in the Borders.

Woo Town are an up-beat fun enthused band that have been performing together for 8 years. They blend a mixture of music from Bluegrass, Jugband, Americana with the occasional Ska tune thrown into their performance to create an evening to remember. They have been touring around Scotland, performing at Belladrum and various places from Glasgow to Inverness. They use guitars, mandolin, banjo, double bass, harmonicas and harmonies and have recorded 3 albums all selling well.

They will be supported by local act Hoyden, a talented female singer who has been enjoying lots of gigs in Mac-Arts, Edinburgh and beyond. Her unique style and brilliant performances are sure to enhance an already excellent night of entertainment.

The event takes place on Thursday, July 25 at 7pm. Tickets cost £5 and can be purchased by contacting Marmions on 01896 822245, or on the door.

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Wednesday 24th July 2024 3pm to 8pm Birgham Village Hall, Birgham, Coldstream TD12 4NG

All information provided during the public consultation session will also be available at **www.bishopsdal-energystorage.co.uk** from 24th July 2024.

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Please note that comments submitted to RES at this time are not representations to the determining authority (Scottish Government's Energy Consents Unit). There will be an opportunity to submit representations to the determining authority should an application be made.



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## **Bishops Dal Energy Storage System**

## July 2024

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#### **Bishops Dal Energy Storage System at a Glance**

The Bishops Dal Energy Storage System would comprise a number of battery storage enclosures and associated infrastructure to provide up to 150MW of storage capacity. Bishops Dal would support the grid network by storing energy at times when generation exceeds demand and releasing electricity back to the national grid network when demand exceeds generation. Electricity is not physically generated on site.

The Bishops Dal project will be specifically designed to include planting of native trees, hedgerows and wildflower grass areas. These will not only reduce potential visibility of the scheme but also help to enhance biodiversity by providing wildlife corridors and vital resources for mammals, birds, and insect species.



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### **RENEWABLE ENERGY SYSTEMS LTD**

3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, STV, Pacific Quay Glasgow, G51 1PQ

By email only

22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024

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On behalf of RES please accept our congratulations on retaining your seat in the recent General Election.

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As the MP for Berwickshire, Roxburgh & Selkirk, we wanted to reach out and tell you about a project that we are developing in your area. RES is exploring the potential for an energy storage project on land adjacent to the Eccles substation between Eccles and Coldstream.

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Bishops Dal Energy Storage Proposal



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## **Public Consultation**

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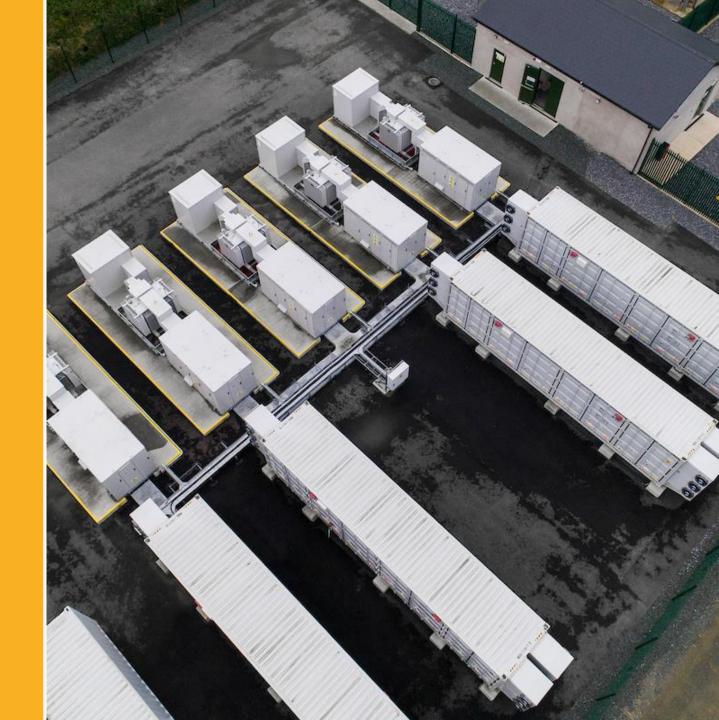
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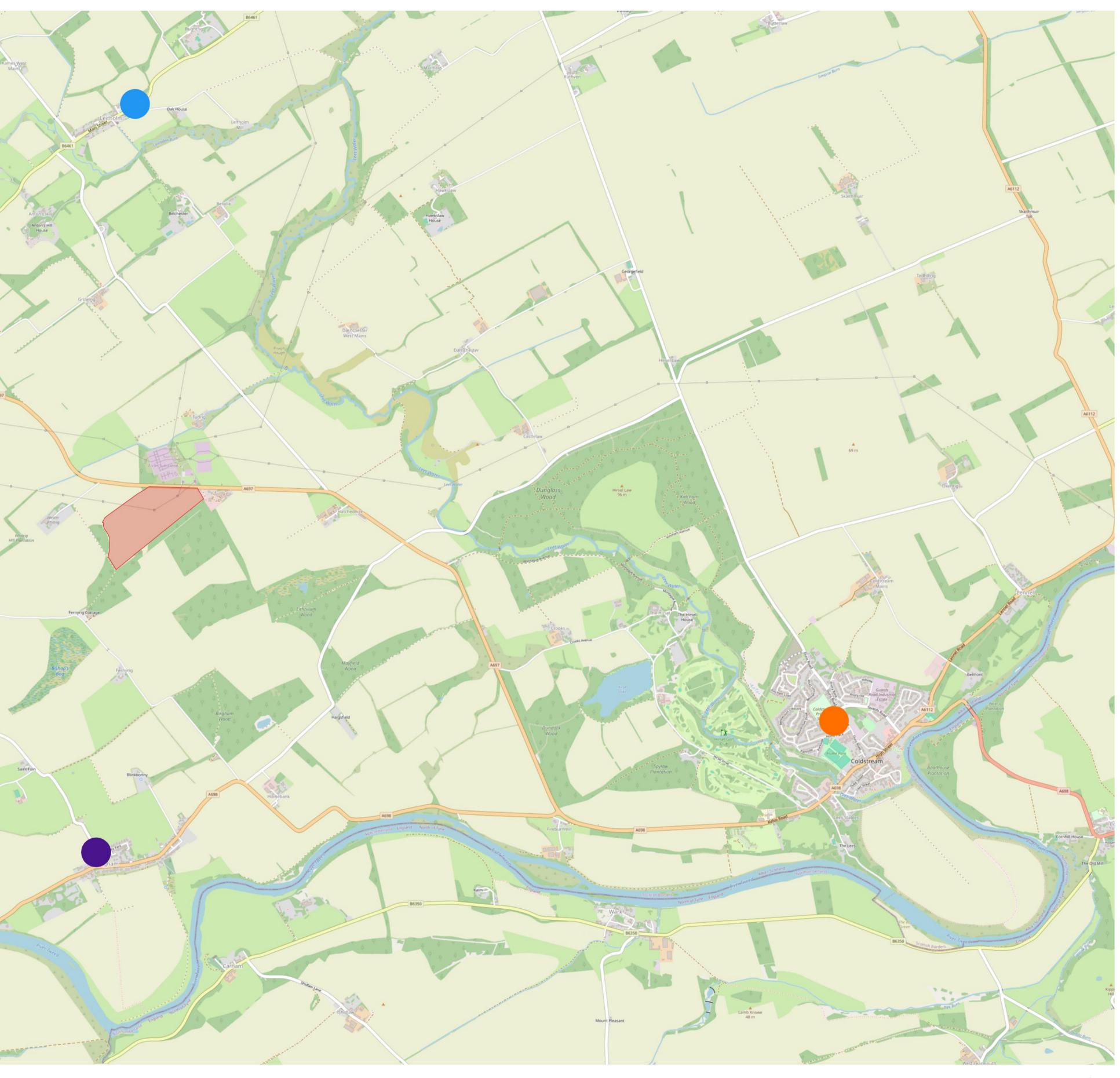
## Project overview

- The proposed Bishops Dal Energy Storage site is located on land adjacent to Eccles Substation between Eccles and Coldstream. The site is currently used to grow livestock feed.
- The compound area containing the battery containers, substation and associated infrastructure, is not expected to exceed 2.4 hectares and the site lies outside of any international, national or local environmental designations.
- If consented, the project would connect directly into the Eccles substation.
- A battery energy storage system needs to be able to both import and export energy and whilst the availability of sites with sufficient import and export capacity is diminishing, the site is in an area with sufficient capacity on the grid network.
- We will hold a second public exhibition in Autumn 2024, ahead of submitting any planning application, to present an updated design for the Bishops Dal proposal.
- We will also refer to the written feedback received from this exhibition and explain any changes made to the design in response to the feedback.
- The Bishops Dal proposal will have an installed generating capacity greater than 50MW. As such, the application for planning consent will be submitted by RES to the Scottish Government's Energy Consents Unit (ECU) under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 (the Electricity Act) and determined by Scottish Ministers. Scottish Borders Council will be a statutory consultee in the process. We currently expect to submit the Section 36 application around Winter 2024.
- Having undertaken initial site feasibility work we are now preparing for more detailed environmental and technical site survey work which will be carried out over the coming months to help inform the design. In line with this, we have submitted an Environmental Impact Assessment screening request to the ECU.



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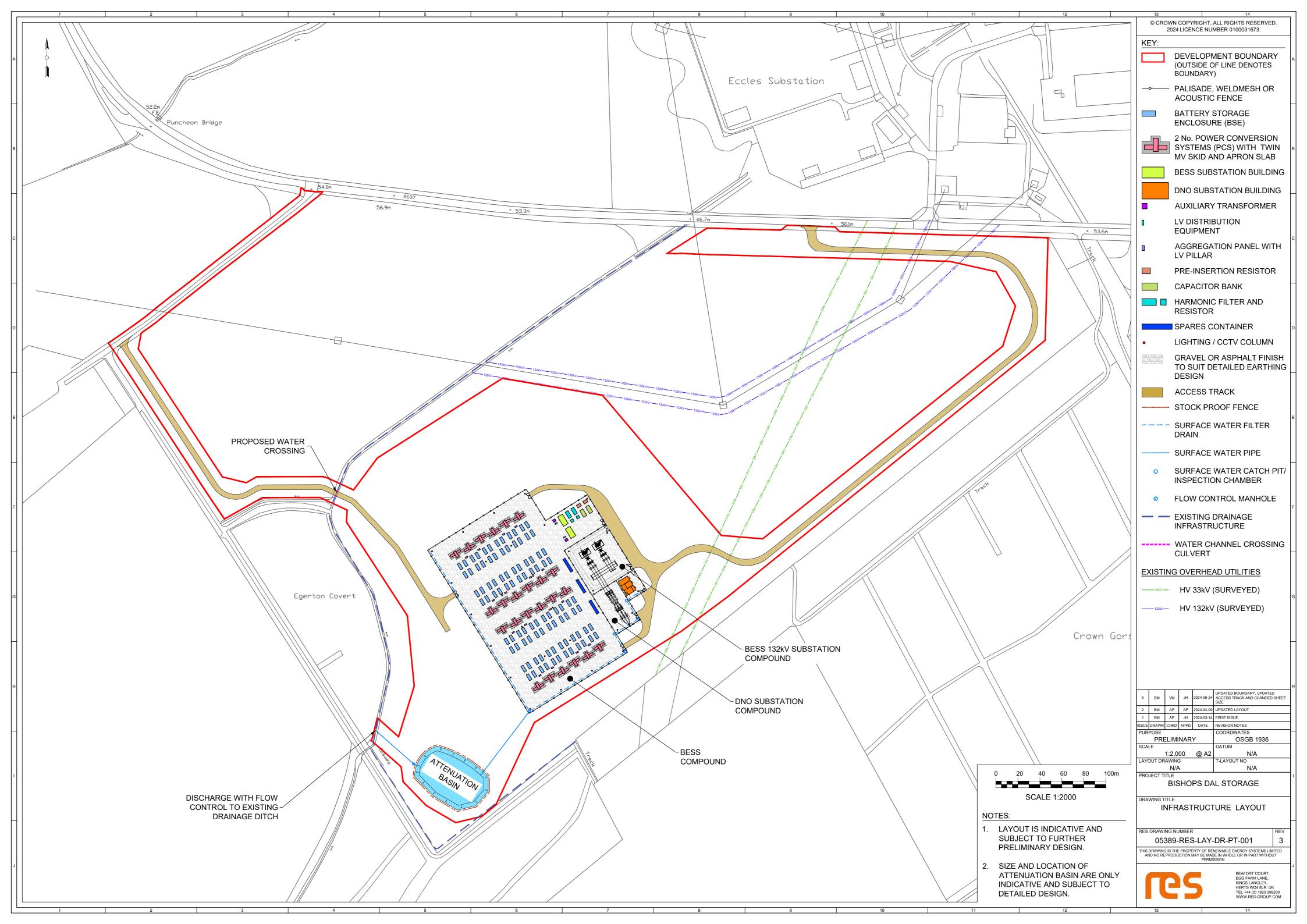


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## Infrastructure and layout

- The proposed system is a containerised scheme, involving proven Lithium iron phosphate battery technology which RES has deployed at multiple projects around the world.
- The site would comprise of approximately 96 battery containers which would be one of two types depending on the final choice of supplier either shipping containers or modular battery enclosures.
- The typical overall size for both types of containers are approximately 6.1 metres long by 2.9 metres high.
- The tallest infrastructure is expected to be the transformer which would have a maximum height of around 7 metres.
- The infrastructure would include:
  - Battery enclosures
  - Power Conversion Systems and Transformers
  - DNO Substation & grid infrastructure
  - BESS Substation
  - o Auxiliary Transformer
  - o Grid Compliance Equipment
  - Grid Connection Infrastructure
  - Security System
  - Landscaping
  - o Drainage Scheme

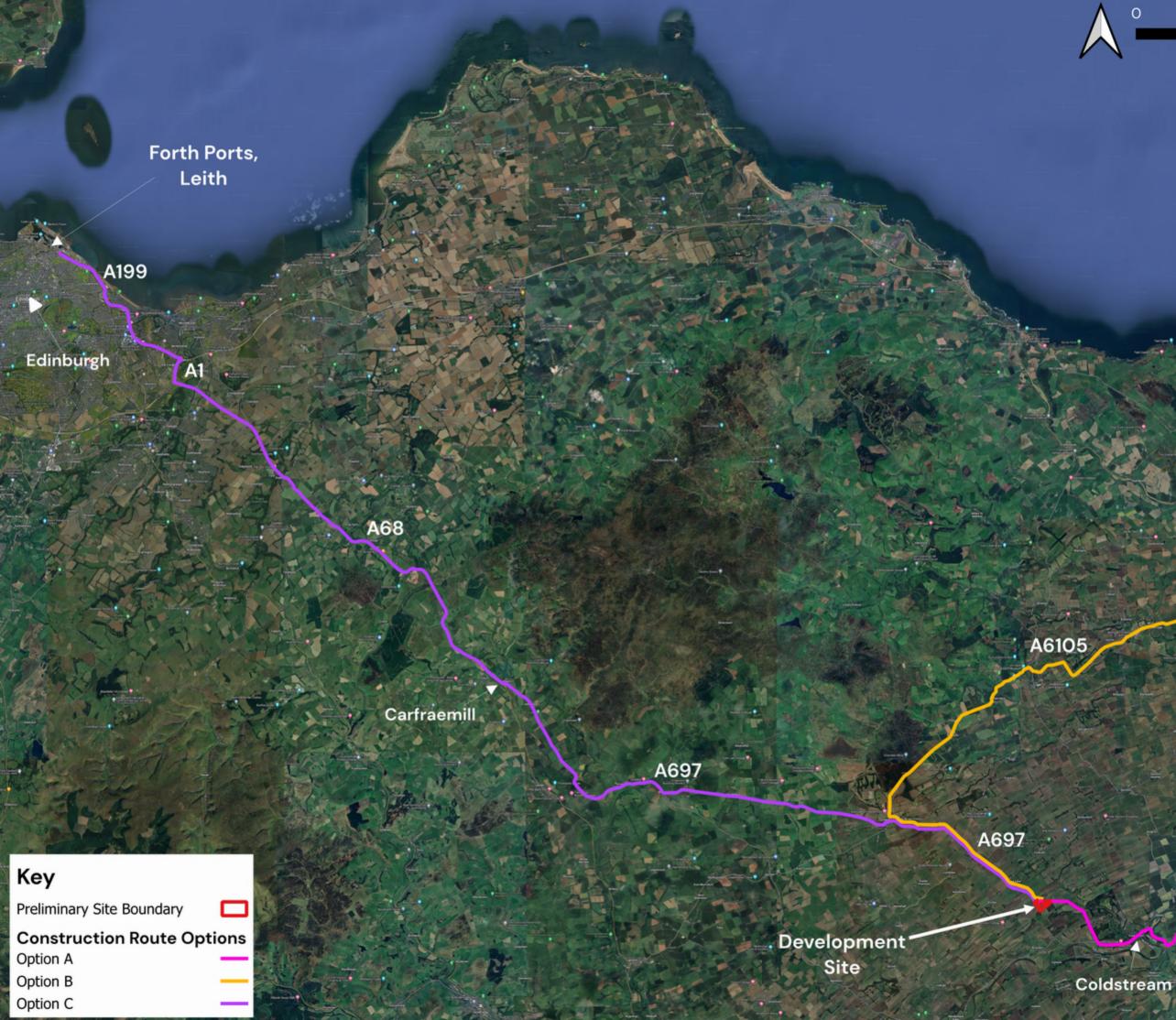




## **Traffic and access**

- Component and material deliveries are a key phase in the construction of any battery energy storage project.
- We are currently exploring 3 delivery route options as shown on the enclosed plan.
- Throughout the construction phase there will be a combination of HGVs (for the component and material deliveries) and cars/vans (for construction staff), on site. Typically, there is peak HGV movements during the first weeks of construction whilst car/van movements are expected to be constant throughout.
- A Transport Statement will accompany the planning application, which outlines the overall framework for managing the safe movement of construction and delivery traffic. The Transport Statement will also itemise the estimated number of deliveries over an approximate 21 – 24 month construction period, if the project is consented, the indicative spread of vehicle movements during the construction phase and timing restrictions.





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- RES will design the battery energy storage system so that it will fit sensitively in the surrounding landscape.
- A number of surveys and assessments will be carried out to ensure any potential impact upon the environment, landscape, heritage and local residents is appropriately assessed and mitigated. Potential cumulative impacts, with other developments in the area, will also be assessed.
- The assessments to be carried out will include:
  - o Ecology

A Preliminary Ecological Appraisal will present the main findings of a desk study and walkover survey, categorising baseline habitats and conditions and their nature conservation value and predicting any potential ecological impact from the project.

 $\circ$  Acoustics

Noise is an important consideration, and the battery energy storage system will be designed to comply with strict noise limits set by the determining authority should the project be granted consent. The scope of the acoustic assessment includes determining the baseline background sound levels and predicting sound levels from the project in order to assess the level of potential impact, in accordance with relevant planning guidance.

o Flood risk & surface water management

Detailed design and flood modelling is being undertaken to minimise increased flood risk anywhere on or off site. A Flood Risk and Drainage Impact Assessment will accompany the planning application which will also set out any proposed surface water drainage solution.

 $\circ$  Landscape

A Landscape and Visual Appraisal (LVA) considers the site and its surrounding context in both landscape and visual terms, to assess the potential effects of the proposed battery energy storage system upon landscape features, landscape character and visual amenity.

• Heritage & Archaeology

This assessment sets out the cultural heritage baseline of the site as well as assessing the site's archaeological potential. It will assess the potential effects of the project on the cultural heritage resource, within the context of relevant legislation and planning policy, and determine, should any predicted adverse effects be identified, how these effects can be mitigated.

## Landscaping and biodiversity enhancement

- The Bishops Dal project is being specifically designed to include comprehensive landscaping measures to reduce potential visibility of the scheme.
- A Landscape and Ecological Management Plan will form part of the planning application and will provide landscaping specifications for new vegetation in accordance with relevant standards. It will also provide information on the timings and aftercare regime for all planting.
- In addition, for the Bishops Dal proposal, as with all RES developments, our goal is to deliver a biodiversity net gain as part of the development.
- We aim to retain all existing hedgerow and woodland, where possible, and create new hedgerow and woodland to benefit a range of local species.
- Areas around the compound are typically sown with a wildflower meadow mix and riparian woodland planted around any surface water and drainage systems.
- Where appropriate we would also introduce bird, bat and reptile housing.



## **Our approach to safety**

- At RES, safety is of the utmost importance.
- Our ambition is to continue to lead the market in delivering best-in-class health and safety performance, as we simultaneously look to the future in developing a zeroharm culture.
- Health and safety is woven into every aspect of RES' battery energy storage systems. The Bishops Dal project will be developed to address and mitigate against the risk of fire ignition and propagation, in a number of ways.
  - o Monitoring and Remote Access

Unlike electric cars and scooters, for example, RES-managed battery energy storage systems are constantly monitored from our 24/7/365 control centre in Glasgow. Some controls can also be safely operated remotely from our control centre, such as the shutting down of an individual battery rack or the entire battery energy storage system, if required.

o Battery Selection

The proposed battery technology for the development is anticipated to be lithium iron phosphate (LFP). LFP has better stability against thermal runaway at higher temperatures compared to some other battery chemistries. All batteries must be tested and certified to an industry standard (UL9540A), demonstrating resistance to thermal runaway, and which ensures there is no likelihood of explosion, with any fire contained within the affected battery rack.

o Equipment Spacing

The site will be developed to include adequate spacing between the battery storage enclosures (BSE) to mitigate against the risk of fire spread in the event of a fire within one BSE.

o Protection Systems

Each BSE will have a dedicated fire protection system, comprising flammable gas detection and venting, fire detection and alarm, and an automatic fire suppression system.

 $\circ$   $\,$  Access to Battery Enclosure and for Emergency Services  $\,$ 

All battery enclosures will be accessed via external doors only. The fenced compound will have a wide access route through north and south corridors and through the centre, allowing the fire service to access the site in the unlikely event of an incident. In addition, two site access points will be proposed to the battery energy storage compound.

• A Fire Risk Statement will accompany any planning application.

## Consultation

- The aims of our consultation process are to:
  - Engage early with the local community to facilitate a constructive consultation process to help identify and understand concerns.
  - Assist the local community in understanding the benefits and potential impacts of the proposed battery energy storage system.
  - Add value and improve the quality of our proposal through meaningful and productive consultation.
- Before we submit a planning application, we will create a Pre-Application Consultation Report (PAC), that documents the community engagement process and any steps we have taken to adapt our proposal.
- At this stage we are inviting the local community to submit comments directly to RES. If an application is submitted there will be the opportunity to submit representations to the determining Planning Authority at that time.



## **A Power for Good**

- RES seeks to be a power for good in communities that neighbour our projects by working openly and constructively to ensure tangible local benefits.
- Some of the most direct and meaningful benefits that can be delivered from a project like Bishops Dal are jobs and employment for local businesses and contractors, in addition to the use of local services and amenities, all of which can generate a significant amount of inward investment within the area.
- RES is committed to ensuring that, wherever reasonably practical, local contractors are used in all aspects of the project development. In order to maximise the opportunities from the Bishops Dal proposal we are looking to build our knowledge of the local skills and capabilities within the area.
- RES also believes that our energy schemes should also provide meaningful benefits locally and we are inviting input from the local communities on their priority aims and projects in their area which the Bishops Dal project may be able to support. Examples could include supporting community assets, apprenticeships, fuel poverty schemes, etc.
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- By listening, discussing, and working together, we can build clean energy project proposals that power positive change for everyone.
- RES is a privately-owned company with a proud history in Scotland.
- We grew out of Sir Robert McAlpine, a British family-owned firm with over 140 years of experience in construction and engineering including the Glenfinnan Viaduct in the Highlands and the Emirates Arena and Sir Chris Hoy Velodrome in Glasgow.
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- learn more about the proposal
- discuss any questions or views with our project team
- provide written feedback to RES on the proposal.

A range of information is shared, including details of the site location, design layout, proposed infrastructure, likely delivery route and environmental considerations. Please take time to read the information provided and talk to our project team about any questions that you may have. All consultation feedback submitted to RES will be reviewed by the project team over the coming weeks as we continue the design process.



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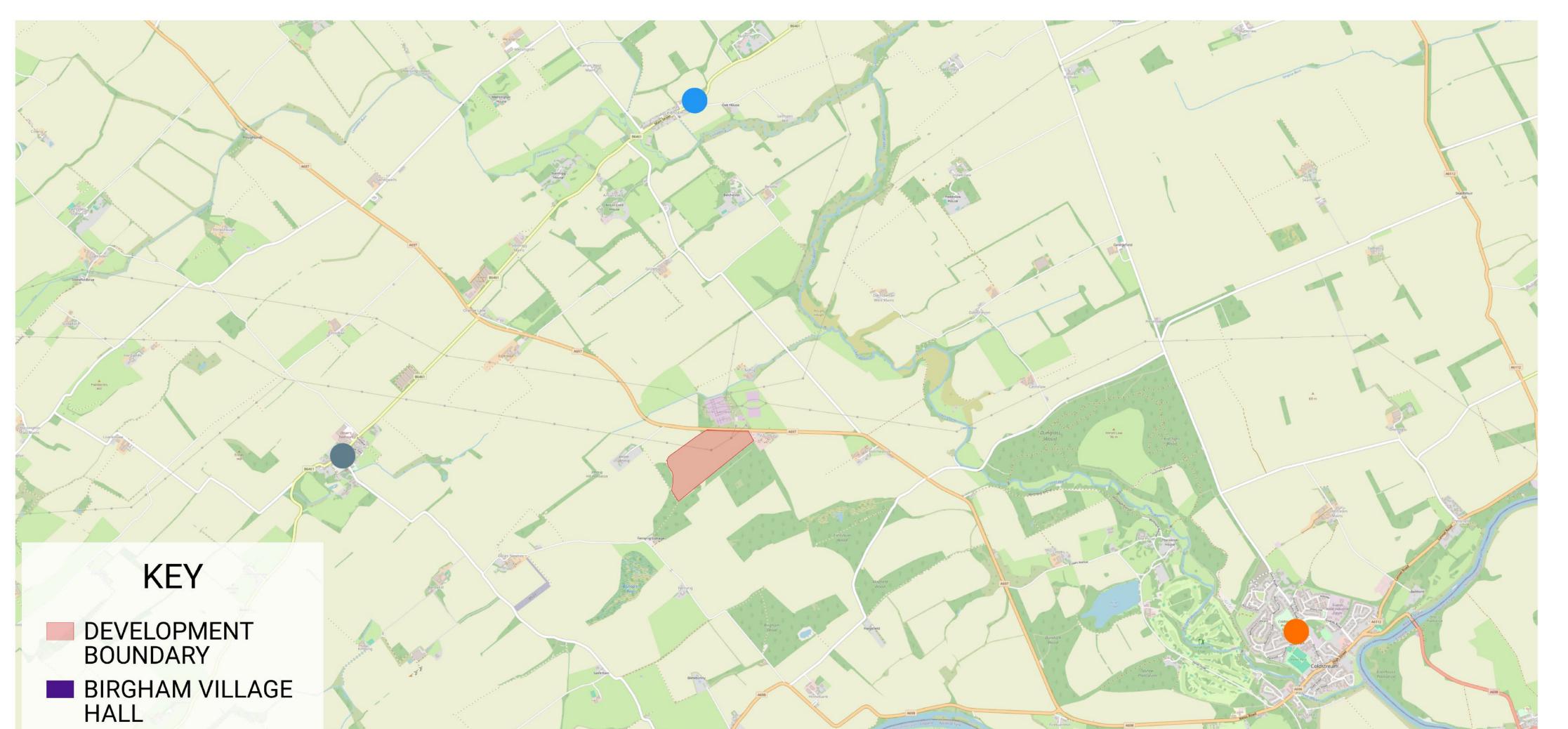
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We will hold a second public exhibition in Autumn 2024, ahead of submitting any planning application, to present an updated design for the Bishops Dal proposal. will be submitted by RES to the Scottish Government's Energy Consents Unit (ECU) under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 (the Electricity Act) and determined by Scottish Ministers. Scottish Borders Council will be a statutory consultee in the process. We currently expect to submit the Section 36 application around Autumn/Winter 2024.

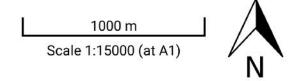
Having undertaken initial site feasibility work we are now preparing for more detailed environmental and technical site survey work which will be carried out over the coming months to help inform the design. In line with this, we have submitted an Environmental Impact Assessment screening request to the



ECU.



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# Infrastructure and layout

## The plan below shows the preliminary layout for the Bishops Dal Energy Storage project.

The proposed system is a containerised scheme, involving proven Lithium iron phosphate battery technology which RES has deployed at multiple projects around the world.

The site would comprise of approximately 96

The infrastructure would include:

Battery enclosures

Power Conversion Systems and Transformers

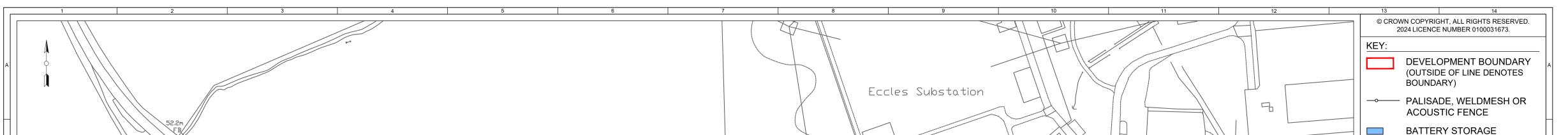
DNO Substation & grid infrastructure

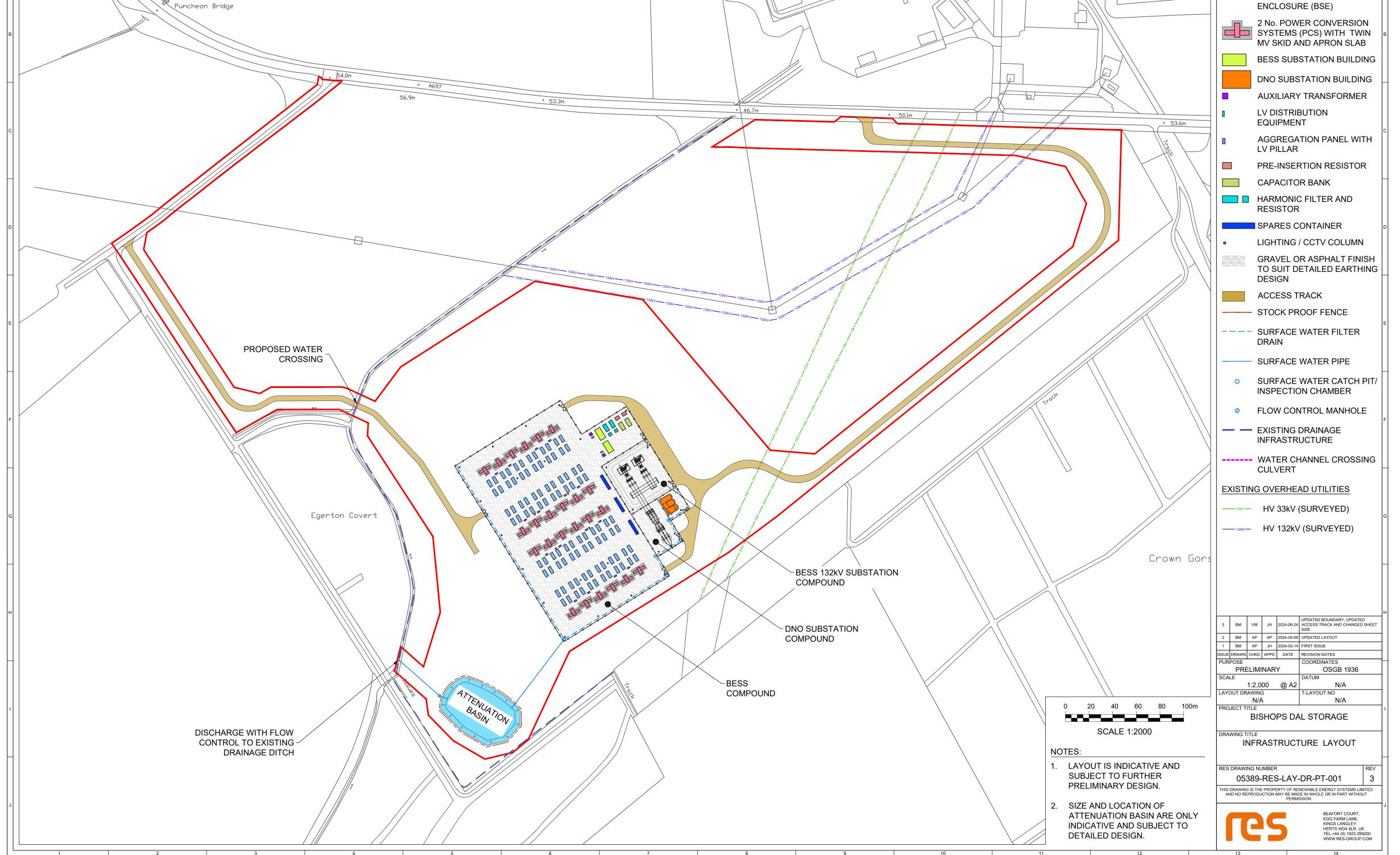
battery containers which would be one of two types depending on the final choice of supplier - either shipping containers or modular battery enclosures. The typical overall size for both types of containers are approximately 6.1 metres long by 2.9 metres high.

The tallest infrastructure is expected to be the transformer which would have a maximum height of around 7 metres.

## BESS Substation

- Auxiliary Transformer
- Grid Compliance Equipment
- Grid Connection Infrastructure
- Security System
- Landscaping
- Drainage Scheme





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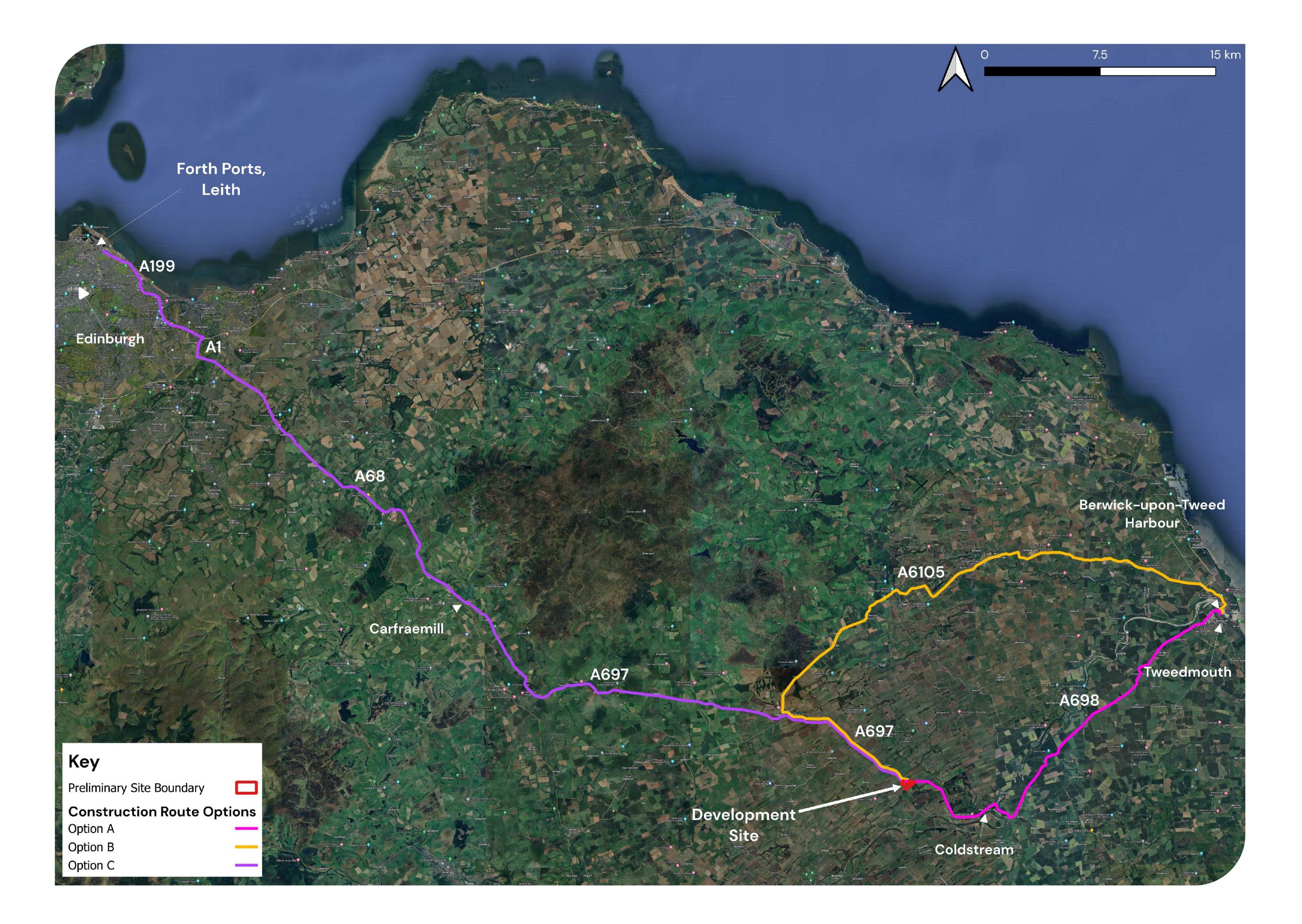
# Traffic and access

# Component and material deliveries are a key phase in the construction of any battery energy storage project.

We are currently exploring 3 delivery route options as shown on the plan below.

Throughout the construction phase there will be a combination of HGVs (for the component and material deliveries) and cars/vans (for construction staff), on site. Typically, there is peak HGV movements during the first weeks of construction whilst car/van movements are expected to be constant throughout. A Transport Statement will accompany the planning application, which outlines the overall framework for managing the safe movement of construction and delivery traffic. The Transport Statement will also itemise the estimated number of deliveries over the approximate 21

 - 24 month construction period, if the project is consented, the indicative spread of vehicle movements during the construction phase and timing restrictions.





### **Environmental considerations**

# RES will design the battery energy storage system so that it will fit sensitively in the surrounding landscape.

A number of surveys and assessments will be carried out to ensure any potential impact upon the environment, landscape, heritage and local residents is appropriately assessed and mitigated. Potential cumulative impacts, with other developments in the area, will also Drainage Impact Assessment will accompany the planning application which will also set out any proposed surface water drainage solution.

#### Landscape

A Landscape and Visual Appraisal (LVA) considers the site and its surrounding context in both landscape and visual terms, to assess the potential effects of the proposed battery energy storage system upon landscape features, landscape character and visual amenity.

#### be assessed.

The assessments to be carried out will include:

### Ecology

A Preliminary Ecological Appraisal will present the main findings of a desk study and walkover survey, categorising baseline habitats and conditions and their nature conservation value and predicting any potential ecological impacts from the project.

#### Acoustics

Noise is an important consideration, and the

### Heritage & Archaeology

This assessment sets out the cultural heritage baseline of the site as well as assessing the site's archaeological potential. It will assess the potential effects of the project on the cultural heritage resource, within the context of relevant legislation and planning policy,

battery energy storage system will be designed to comply with strict noise limits set by the determining authority should the project be granted consent. The scope of the acoustic assessment includes determining the baseline background sound levels and predicting sound levels from the project in order to assess the level of potential impact, in accordance with relevant planning guidance.

# Flood risk & surface water management

Detailed design and flood modelling is being undertaken to minimise increased flood risk anywhere on or off site. A Flood Risk and and determine, should any predicted adverse effects be identified, how these effects can be mitigated.



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## Landscaping and biodiversity enhancement

The Bishops Dal project is being specifically designed to include comprehensive landscaping measures to reduce potential visibility of the scheme.

A Landscape and Ecological Management Plan will form part of the planning application and will provide landscaping specifications for new vegetation in accordance with relevant In addition, for the Bishops Dal proposal, as with all RES developments, our goal is to deliver a biodiversity net gain as part of the development.

We aim to retain all existing hedgerow and woodland, where possible, and create new hedgerow and woodland to benefit a range of local species.

standards. It will also provide information on the timings and aftercare regime for all planting.

Areas around the compound are typically sown with a wildflower meadow mix and riparian woodland planted around any surface water and drainage systems.

Where appropriate we would also introduce bird, bat and reptile housing.





# Our approach to safety

### At RES, safety is of the utmost importance.

Our ambition is to continue to lead the market in delivering best-in-class health and safety performance, as we simultaneously look to the future in developing a zero-harm culture.

Health and safety is woven into every aspect of RES' battery energy storage systems. The Bishops Dal project will be developed to address and mitigate against the risk of fire ignition and propagation, in a number of ways.

### **Equipment Spacing**

The site will be developed to include adequate spacing between the battery storage enclosures (BSE) to mitigate against the risk of fire spread in the event of a fire within one BSE.

### **Protection Systems**

### **Monitoring and Remote Access**

Unlike electric cars and scooters, for example, RES-managed battery energy storage systems are constantly monitored from our 24/7/365 control centre in Glasgow. Some controls can also be safely operated remotely from our control centre, such as the shutting down of an individual battery rack or the entire battery energy storage system, if required.

Each BSE will have a dedicated fire protection system, comprising flammable gas detection and venting, fire detection and alarm, and an automatic fire suppression system.

### **Access to Battery Enclosure and for Emergency Services**

All battery enclosures will be accessed via external doors only. The fenced compound will have a wide access route through north and south corridors and through the centre, allowing the fire service to access the site in the unlikely event of an incident. In addition, two site access points will be proposed to the battery energy storage compound.

### **Battery Selection**

The proposed battery technology for the development is anticipated to be lithium iron phosphate (LFP). LFP has better stability against thermal runaway at higher temperatures compared to some other battery chemistries. All batteries must be tested and certified to an industry standard (UL9540A), demonstrating resistance to thermal runaway, and which ensures there is no likelihood of explosion, with any fire contained within the affected battery rack.

A Fire Risk Statement will accompany any planning application.







#### We believe in meaningful and effective consultation.

The aims of our consultation process are to:

• Engage early with the local community to facilitate a constructive consultation process to help identify and understand concerns.

• Assist the local community in understanding the benefits and potential impacts of the

At this stage we are inviting the local community to submit comments directly to RES. If an application is submitted there will be the opportunity to submit representations to the determining Planning Authority at that time.

We are keen to understand your views on the

proposed battery energy storage system.

• Add value and improve the quality of our proposal through meaningful and productive consultation.

Before we submit a planning application, we will create a Pre-Application Consultation Report (PAC) that documents the community engagement process and any steps we have taken to adapt our proposal. proposal and the information available at this exhibition.

Please take a few minutes to fill out a feedback form with your comments.





# The world's largest independent renewable energy company

As an industry innovator for over 40 years, RES has delivered more than 26GW of renewable energy projects worldwide. We employ more than 4,500 passionate people across the globe and are active in 24 countries, working across onshore and offshore wind, solar, energy storage, green hydrogen, transmission and distribution.

Sustainability lies at the core of our business activity and values, and we have been leading efforts to create a future where everyone has access to affordable zero carbon energy.

By listening, discussing, and working together, we can build clean energy project proposals that power positive change for everyone.

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#### **RES in Scotland**

RES is a privately-owned company with a proud history in Scotland.

We grew out of Sir Robert McAlpine, a British family-owned firm with over 140 years of experience in construction and engineering including the Glenfinnan Viaduct in the Highlands and the Emirates Arena and Sir Chris Hoy Velodrome in Glasgow.

From our Glasgow office we have been developing, constructing and operating energy projects in Scotland since 1993. RES has been working in the battery energy storage market for a decade and design safe storage projects using proven Lithium iron phosphate technology. Across the UK and Ireland, RES has developed over 700MW of battery energy storage projects including the development, construction and asset management of Scotland's first utility-scale battery storage facility, the 20MW Broxburn Energy Storage facility in Broxburn, West









#### Bishops Dal Energy Storage System Proposal Comment Form

RES believes in meaningful and productive consultation, and we aim to engage early with the local community and key stakeholders to facilitate constructive consultation. This helps to identify issues and concerns, as well as benefits and opportunities, which we can then consider when developing the design of the proposal.

Feedback from the local community is important at this stage of our pre-application consultation when it can have a direct influence on the final design of the project and we would be grateful if you could take the time to fill out this comment form with your feedback.

Please provide feedback by **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2024**. Comments will still be accepted after this date but may not be considered in relation to the design development.

Please note that comments submitted to RES at this time are not representations to the determining authority (Scottish Government's Energy Consents Unit). There will be an opportunity to submit representations to the determining authority should an application be made.

#### 1 Bishops Dal Energy Storage System Public Exhibition

1.1 How did you find out about our public exhibition?

Newsletter through the door	
Advert in local newspaper	
Project website – www.bishopsdal-energystorage.co.uk	
Word of mouth	
Other (please specify)	

1.2 Before visiting the exhibition how would you describe your knowledge of the proposed Bishops Dal Energy Storage System?

Knew a lot Knew quite a lot Knew a little Knew very little



1.4

1.3 Having visited the exhibition, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding of the proposed Bishops Dal Energy Storage System?

	A lot
	Quite a lot
	Alittle
	Very little
	Not at all
What p	part of the public exhibition did you find most useful?
	Exhibition information boards
	Ability to ask RES questions
	Other (please specify)

1.5 Do you have any suggestions for ways in which we could have improved our exhibition?



#### 2 Bishops Dal Energy Storage System Proposal

Your views on the Bishops Dal Energy Storage System proposal - specifically the preliminary layout of the project where people's comments can have a direct influence – will be considered in relation to the design development of the project.

2.1 How do you feel in general about the Bishops Dal Energy Storage System proposal?

I am supportive		
I am neutral		
l am opposed		
Further comments:		

2.2 What do you think about the proposed preliminary layout of the Bishops Dal Energy Storage System.

1	am happy with the proposed layout
I	am neutral towards the proposed layout
I	have concerns about the proposed layout
	don't like energy storage systems in general

Further comments:

2.3 Please provide us with any further suggestions or comments regarding the proposed Bishops Dal Energy Storage System.



#### 3 Local Benefits

3.1 RES believe our projects should deliver meaningful local benefit.

We welcome feedback and ideas for local benefits and priority projects that you would like to see supported or delivered in your community from Bishops Dal Energy Storage System, should it receive consent. Some examples from communities that we've worked with include;

- improvements to village halls,
- sports team sponsorship,
- funding for schools and local community groups
- community defibrillators
- improvements to local footpaths and/or signage.

If you have any suggestions for such benefits the project may be able to support, please let us know in the box below.



#### 4 Climate Change, Energy Security and Renewables

The below section is optional and designed to help us understand people's thoughts on how renewables can help to tackle climate change and improve energy security.

4.1 Do you agree or disagree that we are facing a global climate change emergency?

I strongly agree
lagree
I don't know
I disagree
I strongly disagree
Further comments:

4.2 Do you agree or disagree that generating electricity from renewable sources, and reducing our reliance on fossil fuels, can help towards tackling the issue of climate change?

	strongly agree
	agree
	don't know
	disagree
	strongly disagree
Further c	comments:

4.3 Do you agree or disagree that generating electricity from renewable sources will provide greater energy independence and security for Scotland?

I strongly agree
l agree
l don't know
l disagree
I strongly disagree
Further comments:



4.4 Do you agree or disagree that we need to develop energy storage projects to create a more stable and secure electricity system, supporting the rollout of zero carbon energy?

I strongly agree	
lagree	
I don't know	
I disagree	
I strongly disagree	
Further comments:	

#### 5 Your details

Please provide your name and contact details below in order to authenticate this comments form. Providing this information gives context to your feedback, facilitates a better understanding of community views and priorities, and enables us to respond to any questions raised. However, if you are not comfortable providing us with your full contact details, please include your postcode as a minimum.

Your contact details will be treated by RES with the strictest of confidence, in line with the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) 2018. We may at times share your contact details, in confidence, with third parties who we employ to help process your comments or update you on the project and by providing your details below you consent to this. You may write to RES at any time to ask that your contact details be removed from our records and from any third parties we work with.

Name	
Email	
Address	
Postcode*	

If you would like to be kept up to date with the project, please tick this box

When you have completed the comment form, please put it in the box provided. Comment forms are also available to complete and submit online at <u>www.bishopsdal-energystorage.co.uk</u>. Forms may also be sent by post to: RES, Third Floor, STV, Pacific Quay, Glasgow, G51 1PQ

Thank you for taking the time to complete this comment form, your feedback is important to us.

#### Bishops Dal Energy Storage System Proposal



Since our public exhibitions in July 2024, where we presented our preliminary plans for an energy storage project on land adjacent to the Eccles substation between Eccles and Coldstream, we have been refining the design in response to feedback received and ongoing surveys and assessments.

As part of our continuing pre-application consultation, we are holding a second public exhibition in the local area to present updated plans for the energy storage project, ahead of submitting a planning application later this year.

Wednesday 11th September 2024

3pm to 8pm

Leitholm Village Hall, Main Street, Leitholm, TD12 4JL

All information provided at the public exhibition will also be available at www.bishopsdal-energystorage.co.uk from 11th September 2024.

The exhibition initiates a consultation period being run by RES to gather comments on the updated proposal. To participate, **please provide feedback on the proposal by Friday 27th September 2024.** 

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# Welcome to our public consultation

### Thank you for attending the second exhibition for the Bishops Dal Energy Storage proposal located on land adjacent to Eccles Substation between Eccles and Coldstream.

Since our first public exhibitions in July 2024 when we presented a preliminary design for the proposed Bishops Dal battery energy storage system, we have undertaken further extensive site survey work to build our understanding of the site.

We have also sought to address common comments and concerns raised in the consultation materials on display here today.

We have also considered feedback and comments received from the community and stakeholders, and fed this into the design process where applicable.

Today's exhibition presents the updated layout design for the battery energy storage system. Whilst the layout design is almost finalised, this event provides you with an opportunity to submit written feedback to RES, if you wish, on the updated design. Your feedback has the potential to influence and improve the overall quality of the planning application from a community perspective. Alongside the consultation materials on display we have produced a Report on Feedback which summarises the written feedback gathered from the first consultation and how we have responded to it.

Please take time to read the information provided and talk to our project team about any questions that you may have.

All consultation feedback submitted to RES will be reviewed by the project team over the coming weeks as we finalise the design process.



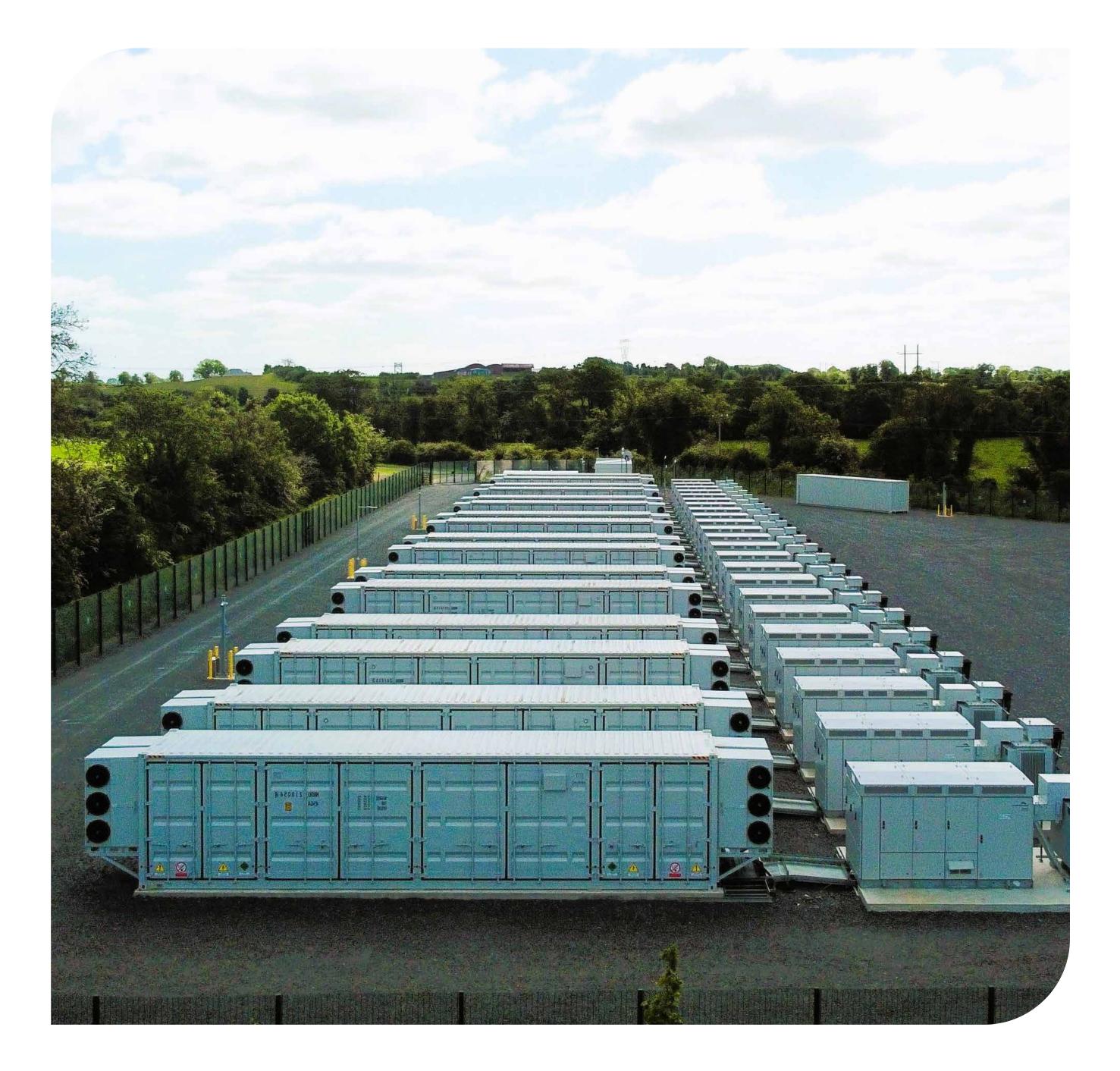


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# Battery energy storage

Battery energy storage is crucial in enabling the rollout of zero carbon energy and supporting the UK's net-zero emissions target.

Renewable energy technologies are needed to replace electricity generation from fossil fuels, however, they can generate electricity intermittently depending on weather conditions, which can cause imbalances in the electricity network. Battery energy storage is also considered the fastest technology for responding to a sudden spike in demand or an abrupt loss of supply.

Battery energy storage can provide a range of services to the energy network. These include:

• Maintain grid stability (frequency of the grid) on a second-by-second basis.

Battery energy storage works by storing energy at times when generation exceeds demand and then releases electricity back to the electricity network when demand exceeds generation.

- Balance supply and demand on the grid.
- Provide additional network capacity, particularly at times of network stress or unexpected demand.



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# Project overview

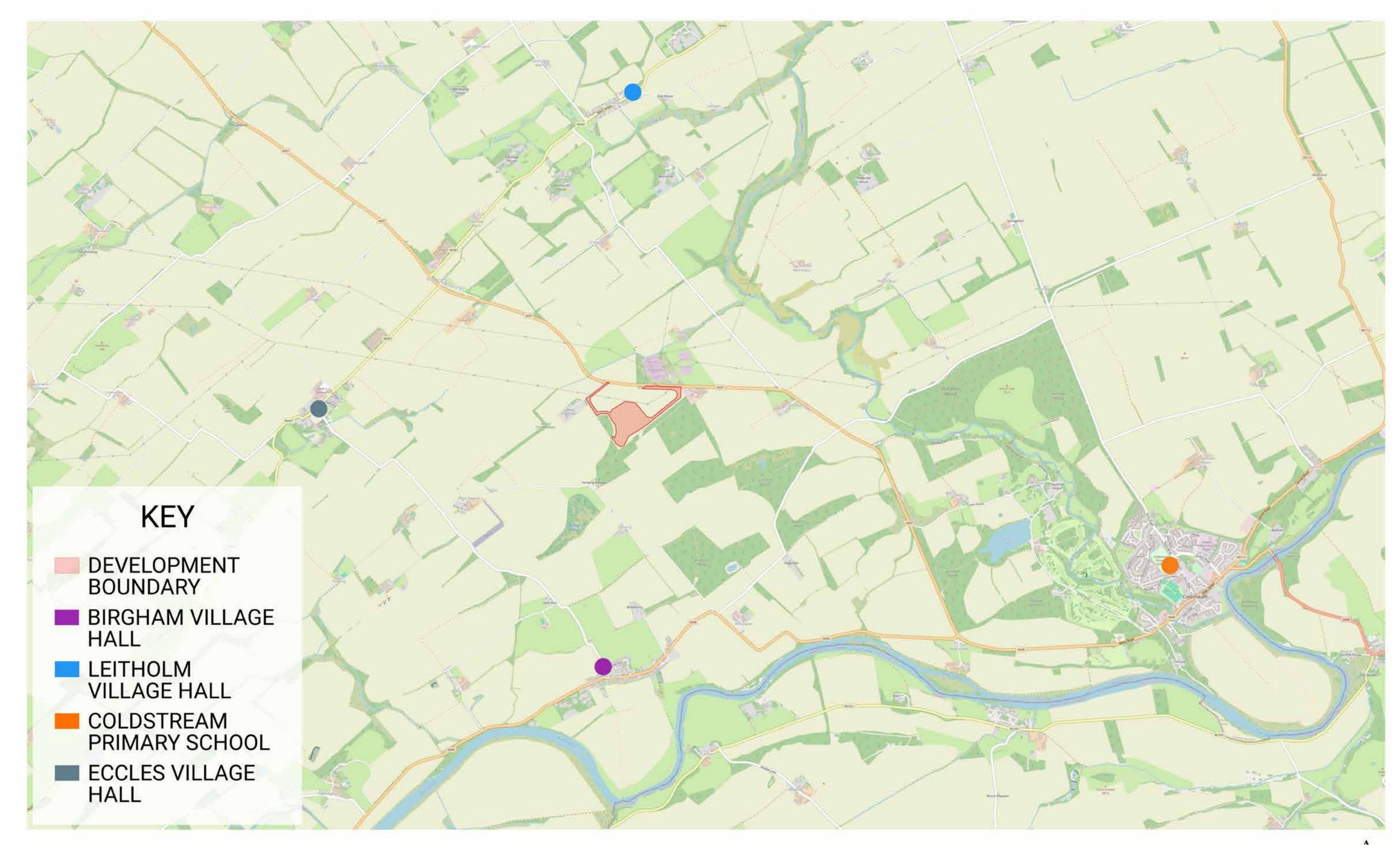
The proposed Bishops Dal Energy Storage site is located on land adjacent to Eccles Substation between Eccles and Coldstream. The site is currently used to grow livestock feed.

The compound area containing the battery containers, substation and associated infrastructure, is not expected to exceed 2.4 hectares and the site lies outside of any international, national or local environmental designations. Like most energy storage systems of this size, the Bishops Dal energy storage proposal would not be directly linked to an electricity generating station. The project would be connected directly to the wider grid network and the frequency and timing of when the system charges and discharges is therefore dictated by the status of the grid network. The energy storage system will be utilised by National Grid to balance peaks and troughs in energy demand and generation.

If consented, the project would connect directly into the Eccles substation.

#### **Design evolution**

Various design reiterations have been undertaken throughout the development phase. These have been influenced by the existing site constraints, such as the overhead power cables, and situtational constraints such as reducing land take to ensure potential impacts are minimised and enable farming to continue on the remaining areas of the field. The site has been chosen predominantly due to its proximity to Eccles Substation. A larger 400MW project called Paxton Dal was previously considered, however, it was felt that, considering the developments in the wider area, a 400MW project was too large and would have led to adverse impacts. As such, the 150MW Bishops Dal project has been developed in its place.

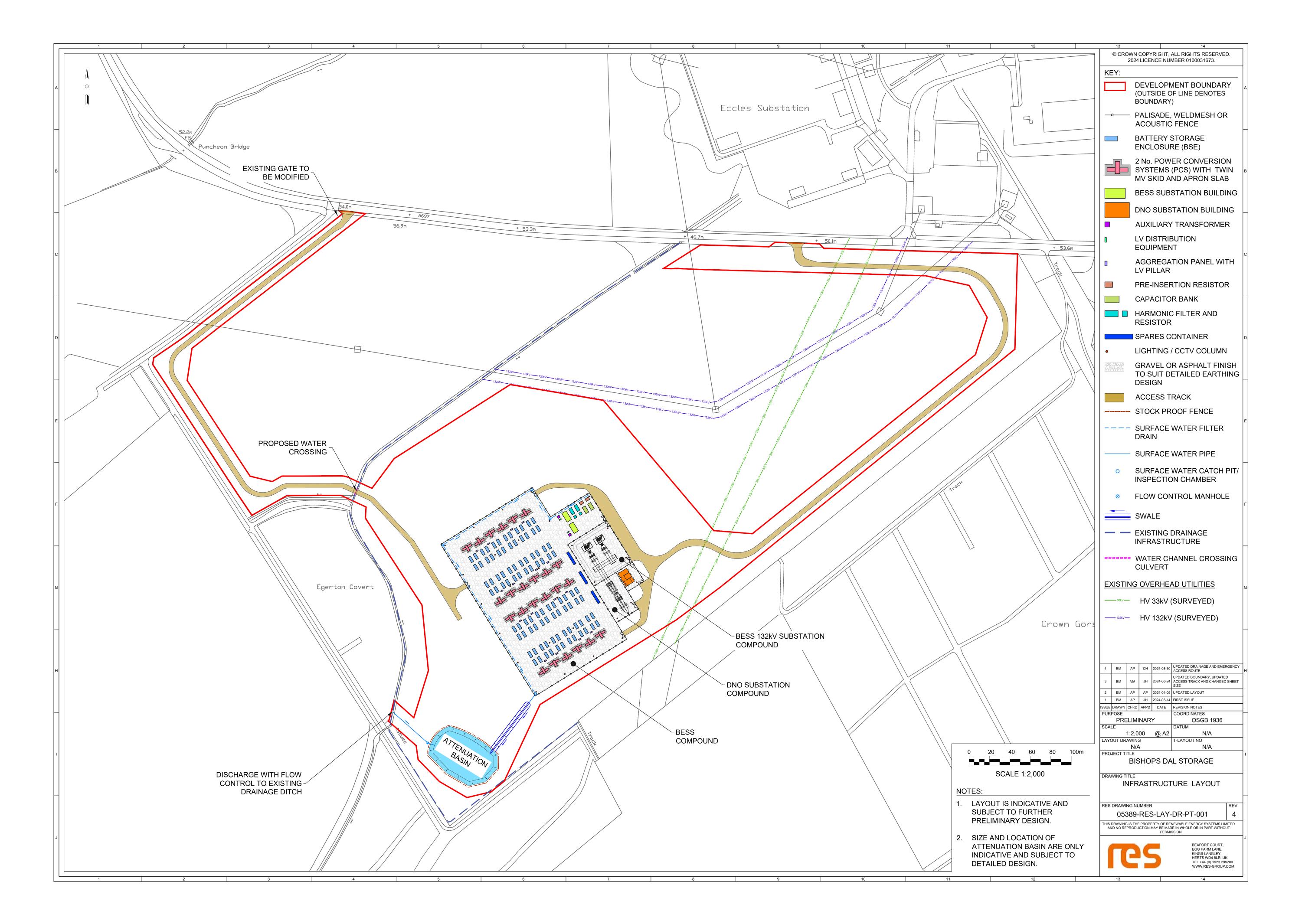


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### Infrastructure and layout

### The plan below shows the updated layout for the Bishops Dal Energy Storage project.



Typical dimensions for the associated infrastructure are detailed below. *Please note all dimensions are subject to final design.* 

- Battery enclosures 6.1m long, 2.4m wide and 2.9m high
- Power Conversion Systems and Transformers 10.3m long, 6m wide and 2.4m high
- DNO Substation 33m long, 24m wide, highest point is 7.1m
- BESS Substation 10m long, 5m wide and 4.5m high
- Auxiliary Transformer 2.5m long, 2.3m wide and 2.7m high
- Grid Compliance Equipment 6.4m long, 3.3m wide and 2.7m high
- Security System CCTV columns up to 4m high



### Traffic and Access

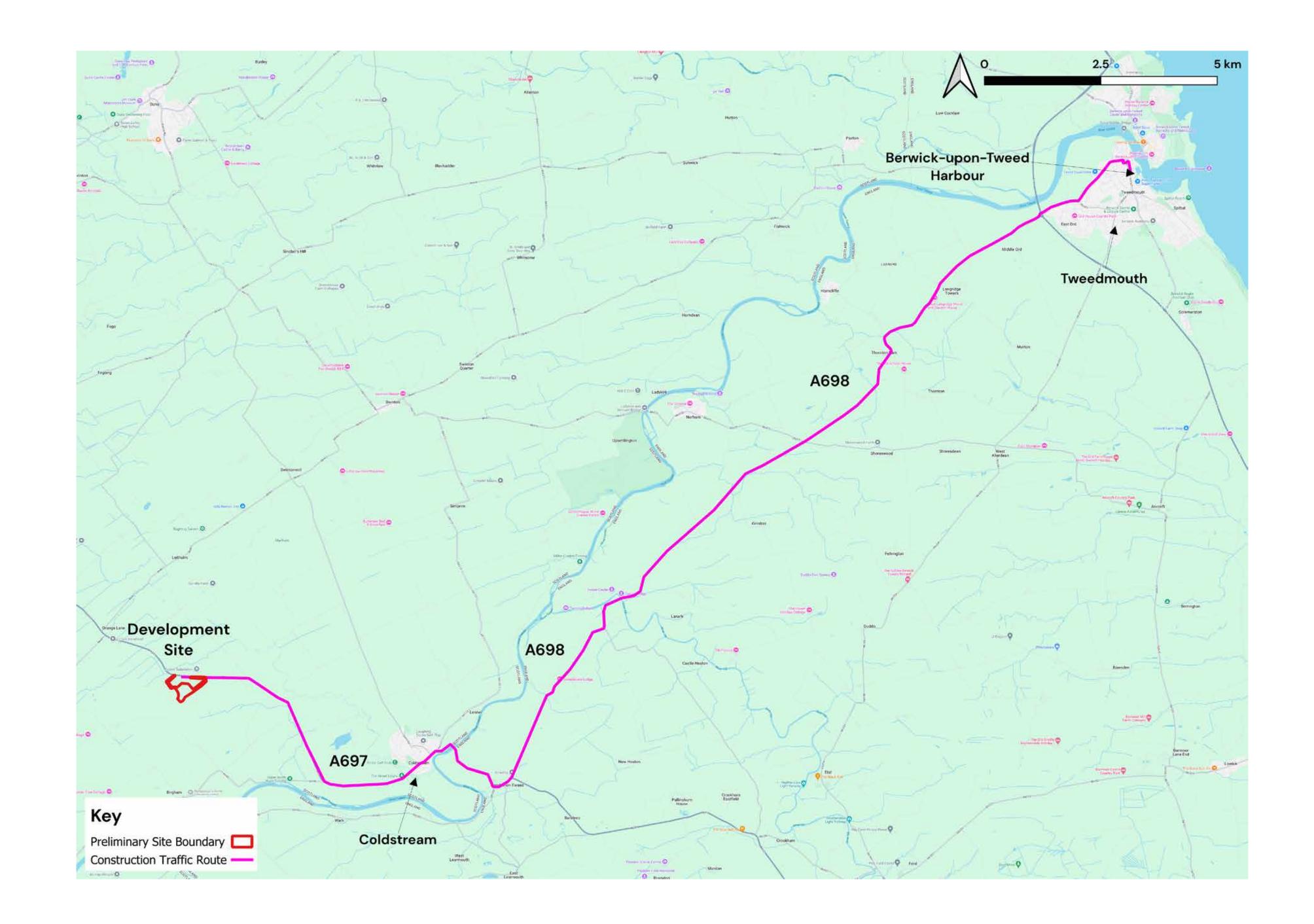
# Component and material deliveries are a key phase in the construction of any battery energy storage project.

The delivery route is to be finalised and is still undergoing development and consultation. At this stage the preferred route travels along the outskirts of Coldstream. Alternative routes from Berwick-Upon-Tweed have been discounted due to on-road cycle routes and the crossing between the schools in Duns. The preferred route uses 'A' classified roads from the port to the development site. Where construction may overlap with another development, we would seek to work with the relevant parties to coordinate deliveries, etc.

We are developing a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) as part of the planning application. The CEMP will include how noise, vibration, dust and other airborne pollutants, smoke, and odour from construction work will be controlled and mitigated. The CEMP shall also include monitoring, recording and reporting requirements.

Safety is the key consideration and we have undertaken a detailed analysis of the delivery route, as well as careful assessment of the site access points to ensure the safety of all road users.

The construction period for the Bishops Dal project, if it is consented, is expected to take around 20 – 24 months. The peak traffic movements are typically during the first few months of construction with an average maximum of 20 daily HGV deliveries during the first 6 months of construction, dropping to 10 HGV movements We propose to retain all top soil removed as part of the construction works. The top soil would be used for the earth bunds which form part of our landscaping proposal. Retaining the top soil will reduce traffic movements and support the site's restoration at the end of its life.

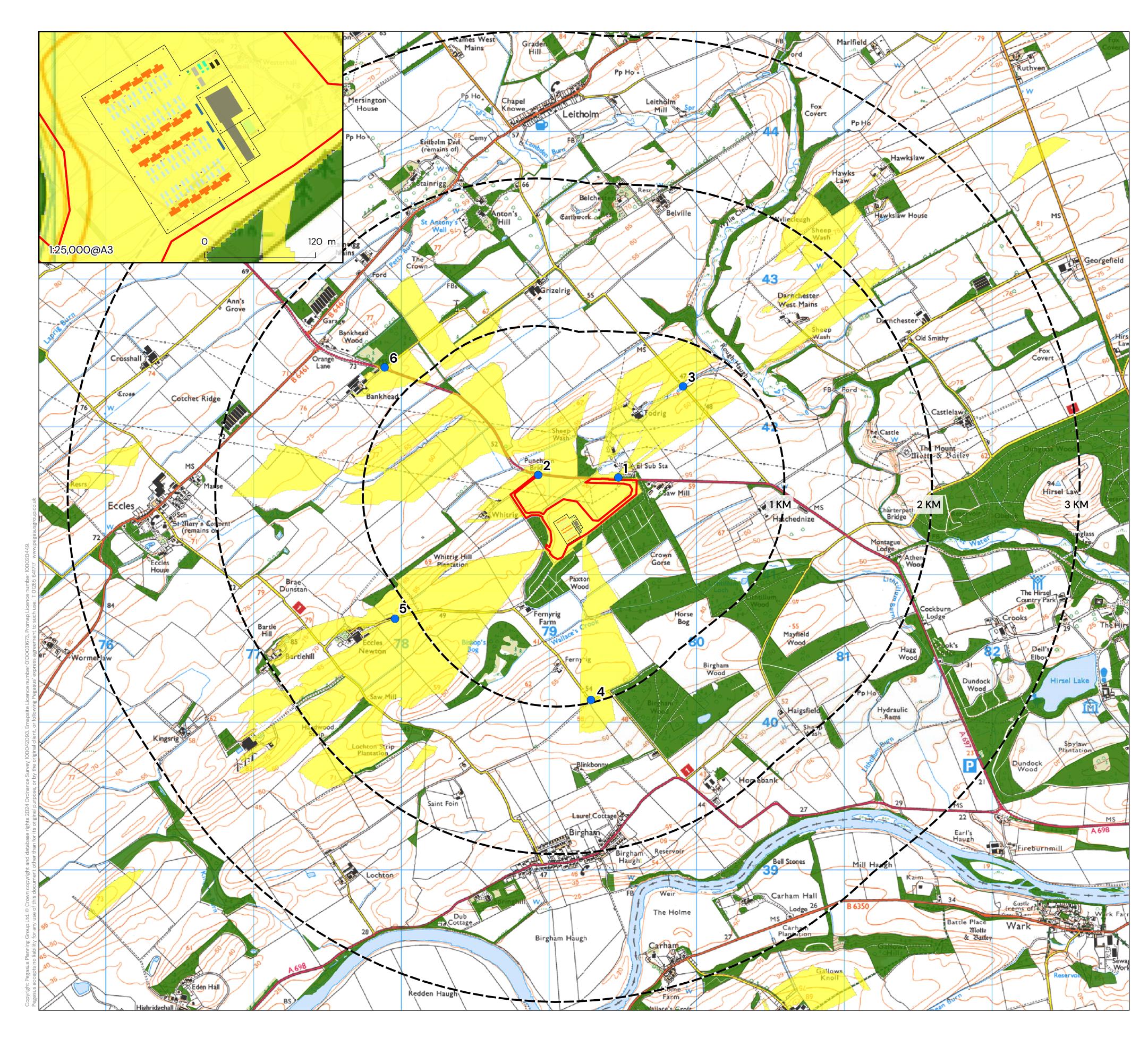


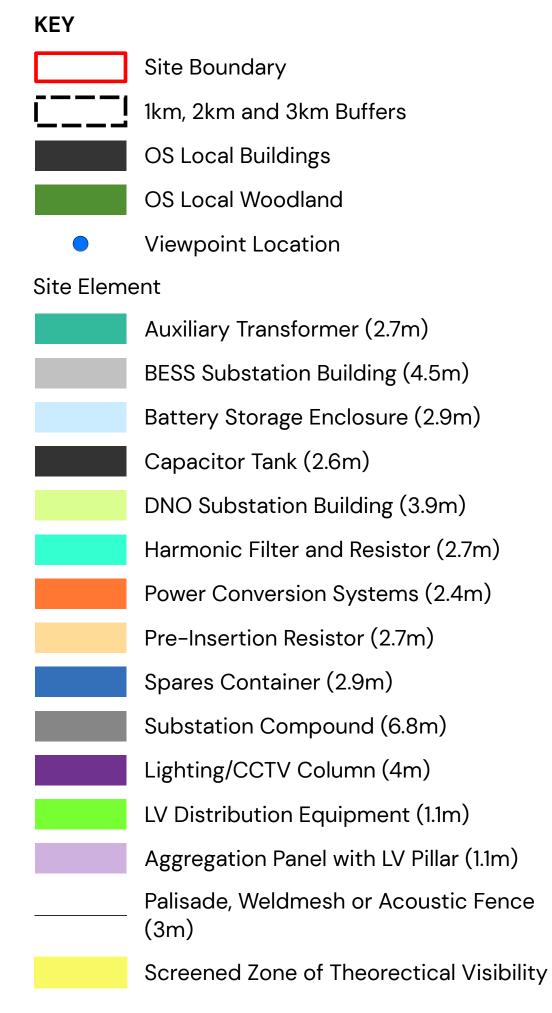


### Landscape and Visual

To help identify which landscape and visual resources may be affected by the proposed battery energy storage proposal, a computermodelled zone of theoretical visibility (ZTV) plan has been produced, as shown below.

This illustrates the maximum theoretical area of visibility of the proposed site taking into account existing buildings and existing woodland and hedgerow. It does not consider proposed new and infill planting.





#### Screened ZTV Production Information:

DTM data used in calculations is OS Terrain 5 that has been combined with OS Open Map Local data for woodland and buildings to create a Digital Surface Model (DSM).
Indicative woodland and building heights are modelled at 15m and 8m respectively.
Viewer height set at 1.7m
(in accordance with para 6.11 of GLVIA Third Edition)
Calculations include earth curvature and light refraction

N.B. This Zone of Theoretical Visibility (ZTV) image illustrates the theoretical extent of where the development may be visible from, assuming 100% atmospheric visibility, and includes the screening effect from vegetation and buildings, based on the assumptions stated above.

#### SCREENED ZONE OF THEORETICAL VISIBILITY AND VIEWPOINT LOCATION PLAN

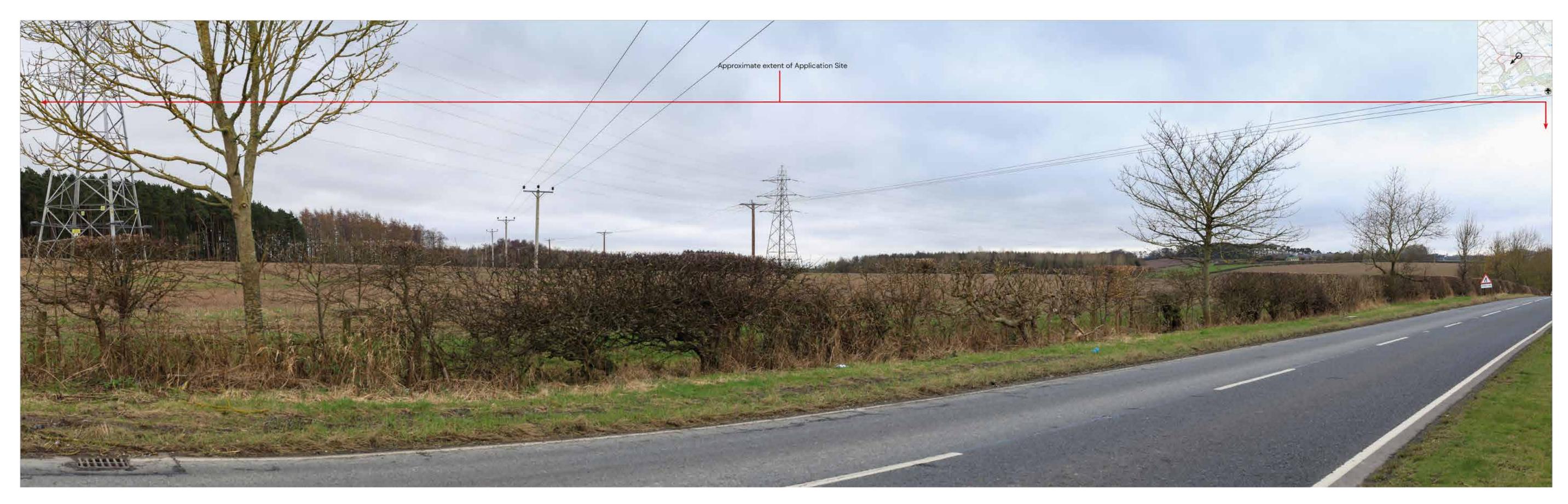
**BISHOPS DAL ENERGY STORAGE** 

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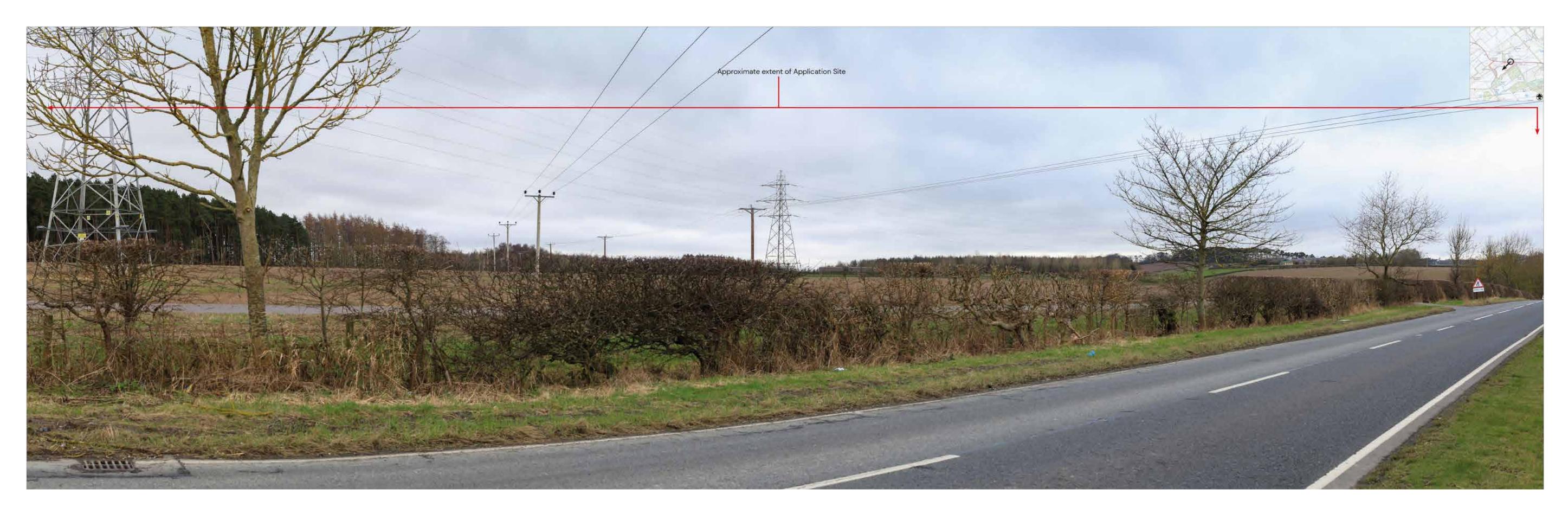
A series of photomontages are available on view at today's consultation, providing projected viewpoints from three different representative locations, for the updated design.



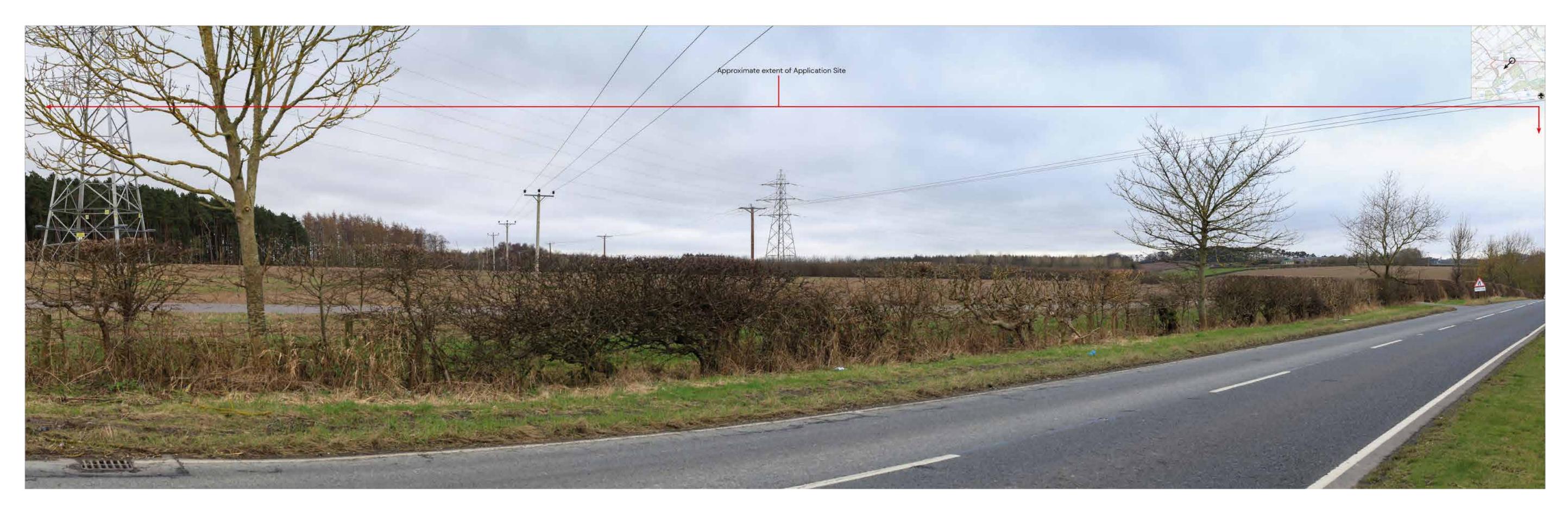
## Viewpoint 01 – A697 (at Eccles Substation)



#### **Existing View**



#### Photomontage – year 1



#### Photomontage – year 10

Location	Altitude	Distance to site
370460, 641657	50m	15m



# Viewpoint 02 – A697 (near Puncheon Bridge)



#### **Existing View**



#### Photomontage – year 1



#### Photomontage – year 10

Location	Altitude	Distance to site
379826, 641674	54m	215m



## Viewpoint 06 - A697 (at Bankhead Wood)





#### **Existing View**



#### Photomontage – year 1



#### Photomontage – year 10

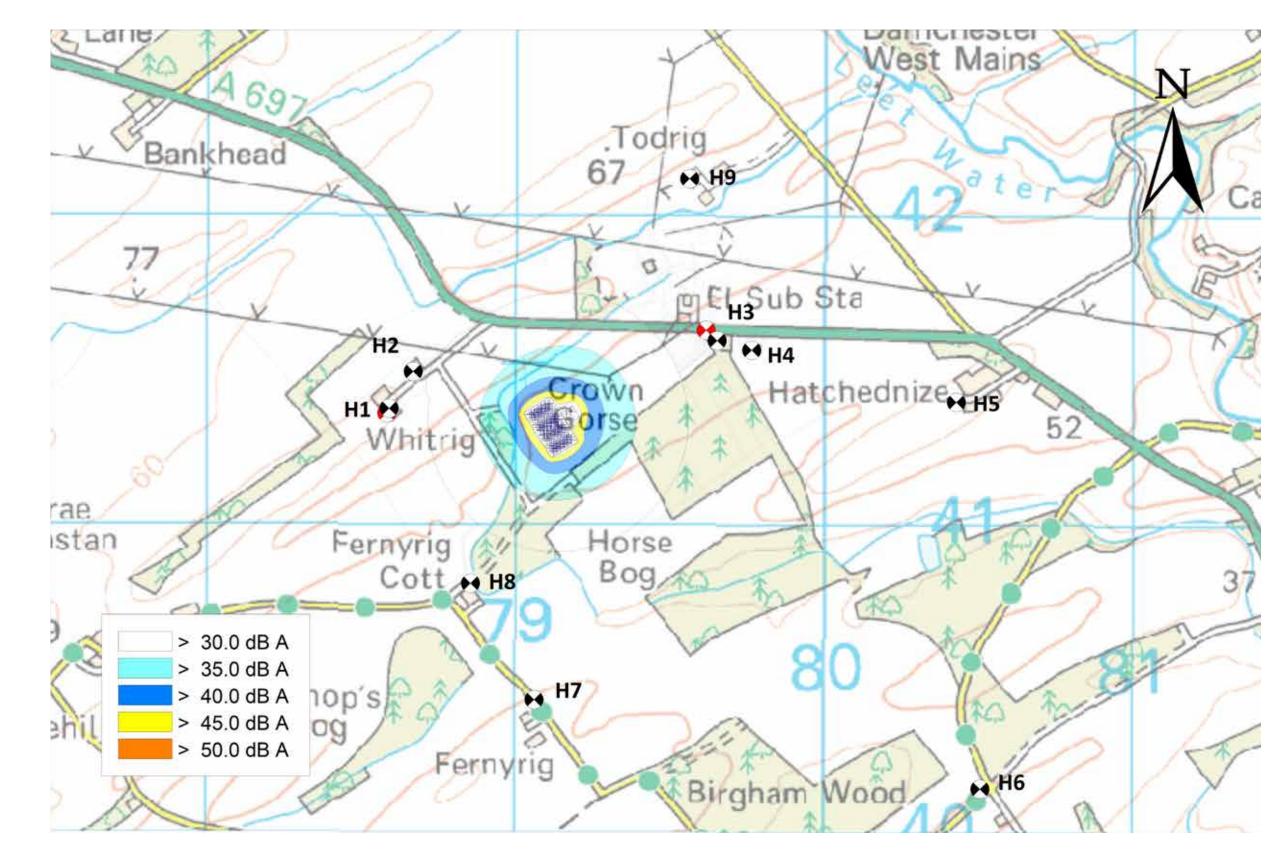
Location	Altitude	Distance to site
377886, 642402	71m	1445m



### **Other environmental considerations**

#### Acoustics

The plan below shows the expected noise footprint of the development. The final report and assessment will also consider the cumulative impact of all neighbouring sites.



An illustrative sound footprint for the proposed development showing the predicted specific sound level (dB LAeq)

We are working with the Scottish Borders Environmental Health Officer to ensure that existing residential amenity is protected and are proactively developing solutions to ensure that cumulative noise does not reach threshold levels. This includes total volume and specific frequencies.

Strict guidelines exist concerning noise emissions from battery energy storage developments and the final design of the project will take full account of these guidelines. Acoustic assessments are undertaken in accordance with the relevant standards, current assessment methodologies and best practice as determined by the regulatory bodies, which include Scottish Borders Council and the Scottish Government. substation, did not identify any archaeological features or deposits. A relatively small amount of archaeology is recorded in the wider vicinity of the site, largely comprising historic farmsteads, and undated enclosures. Overall, the site is considered to have low potential for significant archaeological remains.

### Ecology

An Extended Phase 1 Habitat survey has been completed by a suitably qualified, independent Ecologist. The habitats present on site have been assessed for their suitability to host a range of protected species and notable plants. Due to the intensively farmed, arable nature of the site, it has been found to have low suitability for protected species and does not host irreplaceable habitat or priority habitats.

The acoustic impact of the BESS will be modelled, and the output of this work will be presented in the acoustic assessment report which will accompany the planning application. The acoustic assessment will demonstrate that RES has considered all appropriate measures in the design and operation phases to minimise the acoustic impact. Initial results as shown in the figure above, demonstrate that the operational noise is not expected to lead to any adverse impact.

#### Heritage

No designated heritage assets are recorded either within the site or 1km of it. Some assets have been identified in the wider vicinity which are being assessed as part of the Heritage Assessment which will accompany the application. However, the proposal is not currently anticipated to impact any historic assets identified

### Flood risk & surface water management

The site is not located within an area at risk of flooding from fluvial or from surface water sources.

Surface water flows will be collected by a series of filter drains before discharging into an above ground attenuation basin which has been sized to allow for a 1 in 200-year storm plus an allowance for climate change. Flows discharging out of the attenuation basin will be restricted by means of a flow control device, and restricted flows will discharge to the existing field drain, as per the pre-development hydrological regime.

No archaeological remains are recorded within the site, and two phases of evaluative works to the north, at Eccles Considering findings from neighbouring sites, it is considered that the soils onsite will not infiltrate and as such the proposed attenuation pond is the preferred method of dealing with surface water.



# Landscaping and biodiversity enhancement

The Bishops Dal project is being specifically designed to include comprehensive landscaping measures to reduce potential visibility of the scheme.

In addition, for the Bishops Dal proposal, as with all RES developments, our goal is to deliver a biodiversity net gain (BNG) as part of the development. Further information on the expected BNG will be included in any planning application.

Our draft landscape plan is shown below. As we are still consulting, the plan is subject to change.





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# **Decommissioning and restoration**

# RES has proven experience in the decommissioning of battery storage projects, returning the site to its original use in a safe and efficient manner.

The Bishops Dal site would be returned to its original use at the end of its life. Once all materials and components have been removed, the retained topsoil will be reseeded, according to the landowner's requirements.

paving the way towards a more sustainable energy landscape.

There are current directives to ensure battery producers are responsible for minimising harmful effects of waste batteries on the environment and they must accept batteries for recycling and disposal at the end of life.

Traditionally, decommissioned materials end up in landfills, contributing to environmental degradation. We aimed to break this cycle, in the recent decommissioning of two projects, by prioritising reuse and recycling for each of the batteries, in addition to the transformers, cabling and components that had further useful life and concrete repurposed by crushing it into aggregate.

By demonstrating the feasibility of a nearly wastefree decommissioning process and meeting our goal of recycling 98% of all materials of the project, we hope to set a precedent for sustainable practices in the industry.

This aligns with our commitment to environmental stewardship but also serves as a blueprint for future decommissioning projects, Recovered materials can be used to make new batteries from recycled batteries. This reduces manufacturing costs, the quantity of materials sent to landfill and our reliance on mining. As the battery markets grows, we are already seeing the number of techniques available for recycling increase.

The decommissioning and restoration of the site is usually secured via a planning condition and through obligations within land agreements.



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# Our approach to safety

#### At RES, safety is of the utmost importance.

Our ambition is to continue to lead the market in delivering best-in-class health and safety performance, as we simultaneously look to the future in developing a zero-harm culture.

Health and safety is woven into every aspect of RES' battery energy storage systems. The Bishops Dal project will be developed to address and mitigate against the risk of fire ignition and propagation, in a number of ways.

#### **Protection Systems**

Each BSE will have a dedicated fire protection system, comprising flammable gas detection and venting, fire detection and alarm, and an automatic fire suppression system.

### **Monitoring and Remote Access**

Unlike electric cars and scooters, for example, RES-managed battery energy storage systems are constantly monitored from our 24/7/365 control centre in Glasgow. Some controls can also be safely operated remotely from our control centre, such as the shutting down of an individual battery rack or the entire battery energy storage system, if required.

#### **Battery Selection**

### Access to Battery Enclosure and for Emergency Services

All battery enclosures will be accessed via external doors only. The fenced compound will have wide access routes around the perimeter as well as through the corridors running northeast to southwest allowing the fire service to access the site in the unlikely event of an incident. In addition, two access points are proposed to the battery energy storage compound from the highway.

### **Emergency Response Plan**

Should the project be approved, a full Fire Safety Management Plan will be developed in liaison with all relevant parties including the local fire and rescue services. This will include an Emergency Response Plan which will take into account the remote services in this area.

The proposed battery technology for the development is anticipated to be lithium iron phosphate (LFP). LFP has better stability against thermal runaway at higher temperatures compared to some other battery chemistries. All batteries must be tested and certified to an industry standard (UL9540A), demonstrating resistance to thermal runaway, and which ensures there is no likelihood of explosion, with any fire contained within the affected battery rack.

**Equipment Spacing** 

The site will be developed to include adequate spacing between the battery storage enclosures (BSE) to mitigate against the risk of fire spread in the event of a fire within one BSE. An Indicative Fire Safety Management Plan will accompany any planning application.

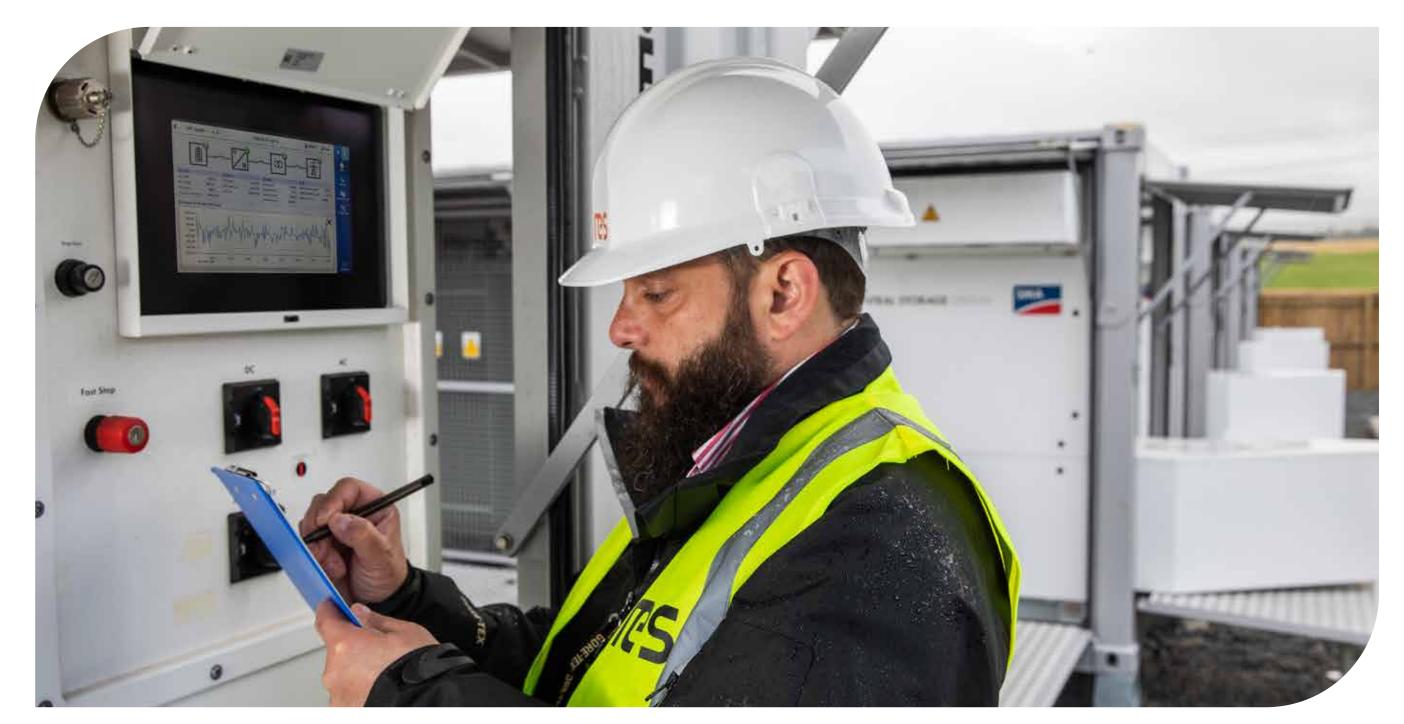


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# Next steps

#### Consultation

This second exhibition forms part of our preapplication consultation and whilst the design is almost finalised, the event provides you with an opportunity to submit written feedback to RES, if you wish to do so.

Your feedback has potential to influence and improve the overall quality of the planning application from a community perspective.

### Keeping you updated

If you would like to be kept up to date with the proposal, please fill in a comment form with your details or speak to one of the project team.

We currently expect to submit the Section 36 application in Winter 2024. A Pre-Application Consultation (PAC) Report will accompany the planning application. The PAC Report will summarise the communications activity that has been undertaken on the project and the consultation feedback received.

If you would like to provide feedback to RES on the project, please do so by filling in a comment form at this exhibition or online at www.bishopsdal-energystorage.co.uk All the information provided at this exhibition is also available to view on the above website.

The closing date for written feedback to RES is Friday 27th September 2024.

At this stage we are inviting the local community to submit comments directly to RES. If an application is submitted there will be the Once the Section 36 planning application has been submitted, the determining authority will advertise the planning submission and hold a statutory consultation period whereupon members of the public, as well as statutory consultees, can submit their formal representation on the proposal.

These representations will then be assessed against the proposal and a planning decision made in due course.

opportunity to submit representations to the determining Planning Authority at that time.





# The world's largest independent renewable energy company

RES has been at the forefront of wind energy development for over 40 years and delivered more than 27GW of renewable energy projects worldwide. We employ more than 4,500 passionate people across the globe and are active in 24 countries, working across onshore and offshore wind, solar, energy storage, green

Sustainability lies at the core of our business activity and values, and we have been leading efforts to create a future where everyone has access to affordable zero carbon energy. By listening, discussing, and working together, we can build clean energy project proposals that power positive change for everyone.

#### Find out more at res-group.com

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RES is a privately-owned company with a proud history in Scotland.

We grew out of Sir Robert McAlpine, a British family-owned firm with over 140 years of experience in construction and engineering including the Glenfinnan Viaduct in the Highlands and the Emirates Arena and Sir Chris Hoy Velodrome in Glasgow. From our Glasgow office we have been developing, constructing and operating energy projects in Scotland since 1993.

Across the UK and Ireland, RES has developed over 700MW of energy storage projects including the development, construction and asset management of Scotland's first utility-scale battery storage facility, the 20MW Broxburn Energy Storage facility in Broxburn, West Lothian.



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#### Bishops Dal Energy Storage System

#### **Report on Feedback**



September 2024



#### Introduction

#### **Purpose of this report**

RES has considerable experience in developing energy storage projects throughout the UK and believes in the importance of community consultation to identify issues and concerns, as well as benefits and opportunities, which can be considered when developing and designing a project.

The purpose of this report is to summarise the written feedback received from the community during the July 2024 public exhibition and subsequent consultation period. It also highlights any changes that have been made to the preliminary design of the proposed development since then.

Each section focuses on a key topic area and summarises the key themes within the feedback, followed by RES' response.

#### July 2024 Consultation

RES held a public exhibition in the local area in July 2024, as part of its pre-application consultation on the proposed Bishops Dal energy storage system. The event provided people with the opportunity to learn more about the project, discuss the proposals with the project team, and provide written feedback to RES on the preliminary design.

A range of information was made available, with RES staff on hand to discuss the proposal and answer any questions. A two-week consultation period followed the exhibitions, for people to submit written feedback to RES on the proposal and preliminary design. Furthermore, RES offered two further days during the consultation period in addition to the public exhibition, when people who wished to discuss the proposal, could book an individual telephone or video appointment with the project team.

#### General overview

Approximately 50 people attended the first consultation event and 10 completed comment forms were received by the time that the consultation period closed – providing 28 individual comments across a variety of topics.

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Interest in the proposals was observed across the local area, with most attendees visiting from Birgham. The graph below highlights the local areas the exhibition attendees were from.

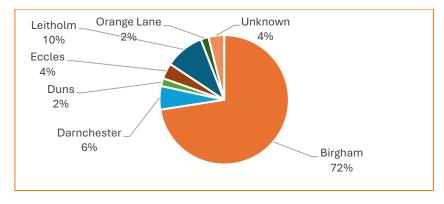


Figure 1 – geographical spread of visitors to the public exhibition



## Comment form analysis

The comment form asked a number of multiple-choice questions along with form fields for respondents to make individual comments.

40% of respondents outlined that they increased their understanding about the proposals (Q 1.3) by a lot or quite a lot, following their attendance at the exhibition, whilst 30% outlined that their knowledge had increased by very little or not at all.

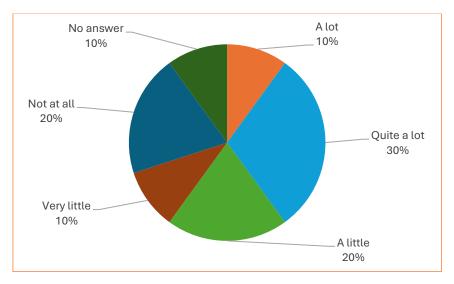


Figure 2 – analysis of responses to comment form question 1.3

50% of respondents offered feedback on how the exhibition could have been improved, for example: a plan showing all developments within the area and visual representation of how the energy storage system would look. RES has acknowledged these comments and have provided a plan showing all other developments and photomontages of the proposed Bishops Dal project, as part of the second public exhibition.

When asked what part of the public exhibition they had found most useful, 60% of respondents stated that the ability to ask RES questions was most useful.

Respondents were invited to provide feedback and ideas for local benefits and priority projects that they would like to see supported or delivered in their community from Bishops Dal Energy Storage System, should it receive consent. Three responses were received, two of which stated that local benefit should be discussed if the scheme is consented. The third response related to compensation for local residents.

RES also included a multiple-choice question on the comments form that asked how the respondent felt about the proposed preliminary layout for the project. The breakdown of responses is as follows: 60% responded that they had concerns about the layout; 20% responded that they didn't like energy storage systems in general; and 20% didn't answer.



When asked whether they agreed or disagreed that we need to develop energy storage projects to create a more stable and secure electricity system, supporting the rollout of zero carbon energy (Q 4.4), 50% stated they strongly agreed or agreed with 20% stating they disagreed or strongly disagreed.

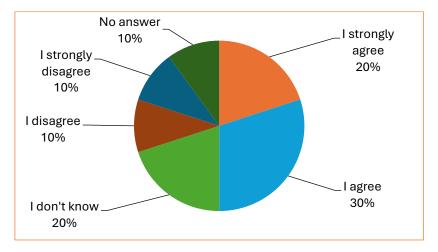


Figure 3 – analysis of responses to comment form question 4.4

A full analysis of the comment form feedback will be provided in the Pre-Application Consultation (PAC) Report which will accompany the planning application.

The consultation feedback submitted to RES has been considered by the project team as part of the design development, in addition to feedback from key consultees and the findings from the detailed technical and environmental studies that have been undertaken. We are grateful to everyone who took the time to engage with us during our first round of consultation.

## **Topical breakdown of comments**

The graph below shows the balance of topical comments received, with the following most salient:

- Cumulative impact/number of developments in the area
- Location

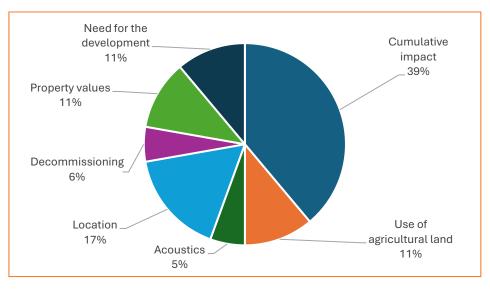


Figure 4 – summary of themes raised within the written feedback



## Theme 1: Cumulative impact

Around 39% of the written feedback received was related to the number of developments in the area.

## Sample of comments received:

"Stop cluster development"

"I have concerns about another energy storage system, we have enough in our area"

"I am opposed to <u>more</u> storage systems in general however the RES proposed layout seem well considered"

"We have agreed to 3 BESS sites in our area, and you don't seem to comprehend the 'non-proliferation' situation"

#### **RES response**

We do understand and are mindful of concerns amongst the local community regarding the number of developments in the area. Due to the limited grid capacity across Scotland, it is common to see developments focus on areas where there is grid capacity, and any potential cumulative impact from other operational, consented and in-planning developments will be carefully considered and assessed.

An energy storage system needs to be able to both import and export energy and whilst the availability of sites with sufficient import and export capacity is extremely limited, the development is situated in an area with sufficient capacity.

The proposal has been specifically located adjacent to the existing Eccles electrical substation where the project will connect to the wider grid network via an underground connection. Energy storage systems need to be located as close as possible to the substation from which its grid connection is provided in order to limit electrical losses and ensure efficiency of the system.

By locating the project here, there is also minimum requirement for additional overhead and/or underground cables to connect the project to the grid network, therefore limiting any environmental impacts.

RES are no longer considering plans for the co-located Paxton Dal solar and energy storage project due to the scale and potential impacts of the scheme.



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## Theme 2: Location

Around 17% of the written feedback received was related to the location of the project.

## Sample of comments received:

"Brown field sites please!"

"These types of storage facilities should be placed at or close to the generation such as in wind farms where the space is already available."

## **RES response**

The proposal has been specifically located adjacent to the existing Eccles electrical substation where the project will connect to the wider grid network via an underground connection. Energy storage systems need to be located as close as possible to the substation from which its grid connection is provided in order to limit electrical losses and ensure efficiency of the system.

Like most energy storage systems of this size, the Bishops Dal energy storage proposal would not be directly linked to an electricity generating station. The project would be connected directly to the wider grid network and the frequency and timing of when the system charges and discharges is therefore dictated by the status of the grid network. The energy storage system will be utilised by National Grid to balance peaks and troughs in energy demand and generation.

## Theme 3: Property values

Around 11% of the written feedback received was related to the potential impact on property value.

## Sample of comments received:

"People can't sell up or move. House values have dropped"

"You openly declared that you have no responsibility towards compensating people who live close to the site. They are already traumatised by the local site already agreed and your site would just add to their pain and suffering. They will have no chance of ever selling their property so your 'so what' attitude seems to represent the general uncaring and undesirable stance of your company"

## **RES response**

RES are seeking to develop a project which may sit sensitively within the landscape whilst minimising any potential impact on local residents by ensuring robust surveys and assessments are undertaken and taking into consideration feedback from the local community and stakeholders.

Energy storage is crucial in enabling the rollout of zero carbon energy and supporting Scotland's netzero carbon emissions. Energy storage is also considered the fastest technology for responding to a sudden spike in demand or an abrupt loss of supply. Property value is subjective and can be affected by a range of factors. At this time, there is no firm evidence on whether energy projects do or do not affect house prices.



## Theme 4: Use of agricultural land

Around 11% of the written feedback received was related to the use of agricultural land for the development.

## Sample of comments received:

"They should not be placed on agricultural land"

"I am concerned about the use of prime agriculture land for energy storage"

## **RES response**

The compound area containing the battery containers, substation and associated infrastructure, is not expected to exceed 2.4 hectares and the layout and design will minimise the amount of protected land which is required. Land take has also been minimised as much as possible so that the remaining areas of the field can continue to be farmed.

RES will always seek to develop on lower grade land. In the case of Bishops Dal there is specific locational need, close to Eccles substation.

Development on prime agricultural land can also be supported where there will be secure provision for restoration which we intend to be the case for Bishops Dal.

It should be noted that one of the biggest risks to food security is the changing climate. According to the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA), climate change could reduce the UK's stock of high-grade agricultural land by nearly three-quarters by 2050<sup>1</sup>.

Energy storage schemes like Bishops Dal can enable and accelerate the rollout of renewable energy, directly tackling the effects of climate change.



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<sup>1</sup> https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/united-kingdom-food-security-report-2021/united-kingdom-food-security-report-2021-theme-2-uk-food-supply-sources#united-kingdom-foodsecurity-report-2021-theme2-indicator-2-1-15



## Theme 5: Need for the development

Around 11% of the written feedback received was related to the need for the development.

## Sample of comments received:

"Scotland is seeking to export electricity, so we are not generating/storing electricity just for Scotland. Our area is becoming a soft touch for the prospectors. Already, the proposed UK BESS sites represent a vast storage capability above what is actually required"

"BESS sites for grid stabilisation is understood but speculators are just seeking to make quick money with little appreciation of its use"

#### **RES response**

Battery energy storage provides a range of services to the energy network. As well as playing a key part in balancing the increasingly complex supply and demand needs of the 21st Century, energy storage can also be used to maintain grid stability (frequency of the grid) on a second-by-second basis. Energy storage is also used to provide additional network capacity, particularly at times of network stress or unexpected demand.

Whilst there is a strong pipeline of battery energy storage projects, it is important to note that some projects both at planning and consented phases may not be built.

#### Theme 6: Decommissioning

Around 6% of the written feedback received was related to the decommissioning of the development.

#### Sample of comments received:

"You offered no solution towards returning the site to its original condition"

#### **RES response**

RES has proven experience in the decommissioning of battery storage projects, returning the site to its original use in a safe and efficient manner.

The Bishops Dal site would be returned to its original use at the end of its life. Once all materials and components have been removed, topsoil which will be retained following construction, will be reseeded, according to the landowner's requirements.

During the decommissioning and restoration of two recent battery energy storage projects, RES was able to achieve a 98% waste-free process and returned the sites to their original use.

By demonstrating the feasibility of a nearly waste-free decommissioning process and meeting our goal of recycling 98% of all materials of the project, we hope to set a precedent for sustainable practices in the industry.

This aligns with our commitment to environmental stewardship but also serves as a blueprint for future decommissioning projects, paving the way towards a more sustainable energy landscape.



## Theme 7: Acoustics

Around 5% of the written feedback received was related to the potential noise impact of the development.

## Sample of comments received:

"Give realistic assessment of the generated noise including the pulsating tonal effects from the combined effects of fans etc."

#### **RES response**

Our exhibition board titled Other environmental considerations, available at the second public exhibition, shows the expected noise footprint of the development. The final report and assessment will also consider the cumulative impact of all neighbouring sites.

We are working with the Scottish Borders Environmental Health Officer to ensure that existing residential amenity is protected and are proactively developing solutions to ensure that cumulative noise does not reach threshold levels. This includes total volume and specific frequencies.

Strict guidelines exist concerning noise emissions from battery energy storage developments and the final design of the project will take full account of these guidelines. Acoustic assessments are undertaken in accordance with the relevant standards, current assessment methodologies and best practice as determined by the regulatory bodies, which include Scottish Borders Council and the Scottish Government.

The acoustic impact of the BESS will be modelled, and the output of this work will be presented in the acoustic assessment report which will accompany the planning application. The acoustic assessment will demonstrate that RES has considered all appropriate measures in the design and operation phases to minimise the acoustic impact. Initial results as shown in the figure referred to above, demonstrate that the operational noise is not expected to lead to any adverse impact.



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## Other feedback

Whilst the section below addresses subjects which were not raised in the written feedback to RES, we have covered off other common questions and concerns discussed verbally with visitors to the public exhibition below.

## Imagery and visual representation

We acknowledge that some of the illustrative imagery used on the exhibition material at the first exhibition was not wholly representative of the Bishops Dal proposal. We have endeavoured to use illustrative imagery which better reflects the proposal in exhibition material for the second public exhibition.

In response to comments on the need for pictural representation, we have included a Zone of Theoretical Visibility and photomontages from three viewpoints as part of the exhibition materials for the second exhibition. We have also included a plan showing all consented and proposed developments in the area, as discussed with a number of visitors to the first public exhibition.

## Pollution

To minimise any potential pollution risk related to the construction activities of the project, if it is consented, we are developing a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) as part of the planning application. The CEMP will include how noise, vibration, dust and other airborne pollutants, smoke, and odour from construction work will be controlled and mitigated. The CEMP shall also include monitoring, recording and reporting requirements.

In the unlikely event of a fire, and if water is needed to cool equipment, the project design includes a space beneath the battery containers allocated for the storage of potentially contaminated water, utilising high void ratio stones. This area will be sealed with an impermeable barrier to prevent the spread of any contaminated water. Additionally, a cut-off valve has been installed at the outlet of this storage area, connecting to the main drainage system, to allow for the containment of run-off during a fire event.

## Flood risk and surface water management

The project will be designed to avoid flooding in the area. The design strategy that we will follow is to keep the discharge flows limited to the existing discharge flows. This will be achieved by collecting surface water flows in a series of filter drains before discharging into an above ground attenuation basin which has been sized to allow for a 1 in 200-year storm plus an allowance for climate change. Flows discharging out of the attenuation basin will be restricted by means of a flow control device, and restricted flows will discharge to the existing field drain, as per the pre-development hydrological regime.

In addition, an infiltration test is to be carried out to assist us with the design. If infiltration proves suitable for site, the design strategy would be changed to incorporate it. Detailed calculations and information will be available in the drainage report which will accompany the planning application.

As part of any full planning application, a Flood Risk Assessment and Surface Water Management Plan will be submitted, incorporating sustainable drainage systems (SuDS) best practise principles, to ensure no significant impacts are caused by the project.



## Bishops Dal Energy Storage System Proposal

Comment Form

Today's exhibition presents the updated layout design for the battery energy storage system. Whilst the layout design is almost finalised, this event provides you with an opportunity to submit written feedback to RES, if you wish, on the updated design. Your feedback has the potential to influence and improve the overall quality of the planning application from a community perspective.

Please provide feedback by **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2024**. Comments will still be accepted after this date but may not be considered in relation to the design development.

Please note that comments submitted to RES at this time are not representations to the determining authority (Scottish Government's Energy Consents Unit). There will be an opportunity to submit representations to the determining authority should an application be made.

#### 1 Bishops Dal Energy Storage System Public Exhibition

 1.1
 How did you find out about our public exhibition?

 Newsletter through the door

 Advert in local newspaper

 Project website – www.bishopsdal-energystorage.co.uk

 Word of mouth

 Other (please specify)

1.2 Before visiting the exhibition how would you describe your knowledge of the proposed Bishops Dal Energy Storage System?

Knew a lot Knew quite a lot Knew a little Knew very little



## Bishops Dal Energy Storage System Proposal Comment Form

1.3 Having visited the exhibition, to what extent do you feel you have increased your understanding of the proposed Bishops Dal Energy Storage System?

A lot
Quite a lot
Alittle
Verylittle
Not at all

1.4 Do you have any suggestions for ways in which we could have improved our exhibition?



Comment Form

#### 2 Bishops Dal Energy Storage System Proposal

2.1 How do you feel in general about the Bishops Dal Energy Storage System proposal?

	I am supportive	
	I am neutral	
	I am opposed	
	Further comments:	
2.2 What do you think about the proposed updated layout of the Bishops Dal Energy Storage System.		
	I am happy with the proposed layout	
	I am neutral towards the proposed layout	
	I have concerns about the proposed layout	
	I don't like energy storage systems in general	
	Further comments:	

2.3 Please provide us with any further suggestions or comments regarding the proposed Bishops Dal Energy Storage System.



# Bishops Dal Energy Storage System Proposal

#### **3 Local Benefits**

3.1 RES believe our projects should deliver meaningful local benefit.

We welcome feedback and ideas for local benefits and priority projects that you would like to see supported or delivered in your community from Bishops Dal Energy Storage System, should it receive consent. Some examples from communities that we've worked with include improvements to village halls, sports team sponsorship, funding for schools and local community groups, community defibrillators and improvements to local footpaths and/or signage.

If you have any suggestions for such benefits the project may be able to support, please let us know in the box below.

#### 4 Your details

Please provide your name and contact details below in order to authenticate this comments form. Providing this information gives context to your feedback, facilitates a better understanding of community views and priorities, and enables us to respond to any questions raised. However, if you are not comfortable providing us with your full contact details, please include your postcode as a minimum.

Your contact details will be treated by RES with the strictest of confidence, in line with the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) 2018. We may at times share your contact details, in confidence, with third parties who we employ to help process your comments or update you on the project and by providing your details below you consent to this. You may write to RES at any time to ask that your contact details be removed from our records and from any third parties we work with.

Name	
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If you would like to be kept up to date with the project, please tick this box

Please hand in completed comment forms at the welcome desk. Comment forms are also available to complete and submit online at <u>www.bishopsdal-energystorage.co.uk</u>. Forms may also be sent by post to: RES, Third Floor, STV, Pacific Quay, Glasgow, G51 1PQ

Thank you for taking the time to complete this comment form, your feedback is important to us.