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## **Thanet Extension Offshore Wind Farm**

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Itinerary for Accompanied Site Inspections

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# 1 Accompanied Site Inspections

## 1.1 Introduction

- 1 In accordance with Annex C of the Rule 6 Letter from the Examining Authority (ExA), the Applicant has considered locations and a suggested itinerary for accompanied site inspections (ASI), scheduled for Monday 18 February 2019.
- 2 The Applicant has noted the viewpoints that the ExA has visited during unaccompanied site visits (USI1 and USI2, as noted within EV-001 and EV008 respectively) and does not consider that these need to be revisited during the ASI, with the exception of Viewpoint 14 for which a suggested rationale for an additional visit is noted below. It has been assumed that where viewpoints were visited in sub-optimal conditions, those will be revisited on further unaccompanied site visits.

## 1.2 Suggested additional viewpoints and locations

### Offshore viewpoints

- 3 In addition to the viewpoints already visited, the Applicant suggests the following are included in the ASI itinerary. Viewpoints are in reference to those included as part of the Seascape, Landscape Visual Impact Assessment (SLVIA) technical report (PINS Ref APP-126/ Application Ref 6.6.12.1).

**Table 1: Suggested offshore viewpoints**

Viewpoint	Rationale
Viewpoint 1 – Reculver Country Park	SLVIA – This viewpoint is at 24.7km from the proposed turbines and as an example of a viewpoint considered beyond the threshold of significance in EIA terms.
Viewpoint 2 – Westbrook, west of Margate	Heritage Setting – it is understood that the Applicant and Historic England have a difference in interpretation of harm at this viewpoint. The Applicant considers there to be no harm to the setting of the Margate conservation areas whereas Historic England (HE) see that there is some minor (not significant) harm.
Viewpoint 14 – Walpole Bay (Margate)	Heritage Setting – HE consider it unlikely that there is harm to the Clifftop Conservation Area whereas the Applicant assessed it as being minor (not significant) harm. The Applicant recognises that the ExA have visited this viewpoint but may value returning to focus on this particular point.
Viewpoint 15 - Birchington-on-Sea	SLVIA - As a counter-point to Viewpoint 1, this viewpoint is 17.8km from the proposed array and has been assessed as being subject to a significant effect.

- 4 These viewpoints could be visited in the morning of the ASI, starting at Viewpoint 1 and moving east toward Margate.

### Onshore viewpoints and sites

- 5 The Applicant has considered a visit to Viewpoint 4 - Sandwich Flats (England Coastal Path) which provides a walker's view of the onshore substation site from across the River Stour. However it is understood that this location is not easily accessible, with approximately a 6km walk to and from the viewpoint from Sandwich Bay estate and restricted access within the NNR. The Landscape Visual Impact Assessment (LVIA) photomontages (PINS Ref APP-125/ Application Ref 6.6.2.2) have been produced for both and summer and winter and the LVIA assesses the effect on this viewpoint as not significant for both seasons.
- 6 As such the suggested itinerary is focused on the land within the order limits.

**Table 2: Suggestion onshore sites**

Viewpoint / site	Rationale
Onshore cable route – Bay Point Club, British Car Auctions (both owned by RAMAC Holdings Ltd)	To view parts of the cable route unable to be viewed from publicly accessible areas.
Onshore substation site – RAMAC Holdings Ltd	To view the proposed onshore cable route site including, as required, replacement land for Ministry of Justice HGV storage.
Onshore cable route – Richborough Energy Park	To view parts of the cable route unable to be viewed from publicly accessible areas.

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## Figure

### TEOW SLVIA Viewpoints

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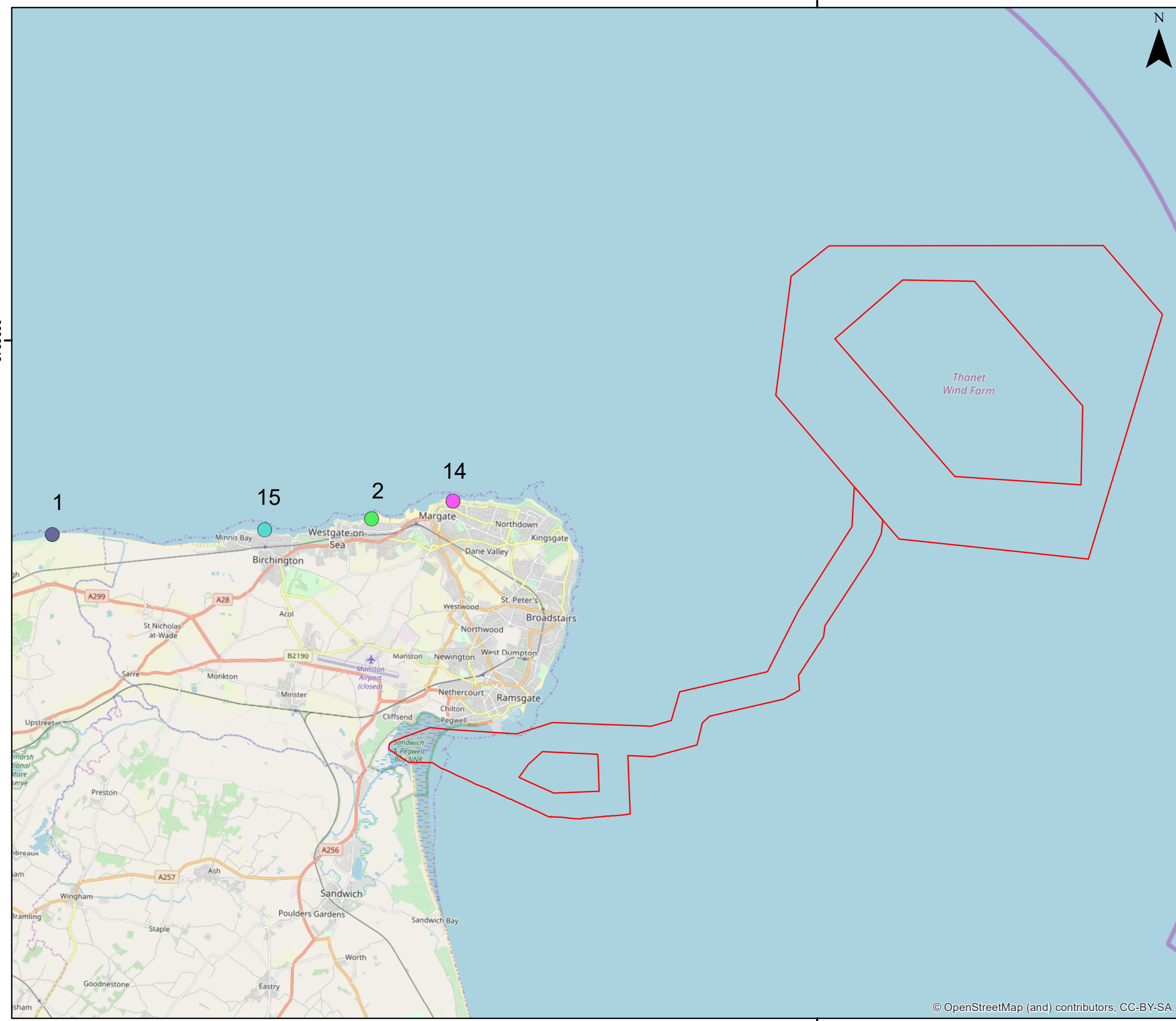
 Offshore Red Line Boundary

#### Viewpoints

-  1 Reculver Country Park, Coastal Park
-  2 Westbrook, Margate, Coastal Park
-  14 Walpole Bay, Margate
-  15 Birchington-on-Sea, Grenham Bay

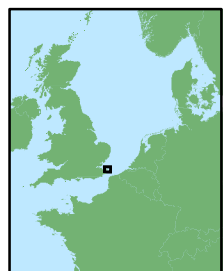
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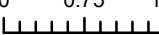


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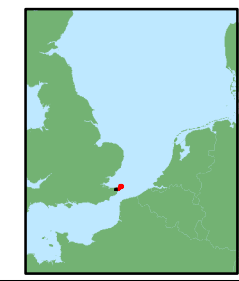
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**Figure**  
TEOW LVIA Viewpoints  
and Land Access Areas

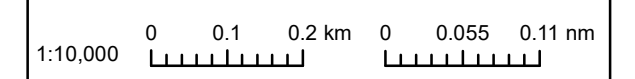
**Legend**

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- Onshore Work**
- Work No. 7 (Bay Point Club/BCA)
- Work No. 9 (Bay Point Club)
- Work No. 13 (MoJ)
- Work No. 14 (MoJ)
- Work No. 16 (REP)
- LVIA Viewpoints**
- VP 4 Sandwich Flats (England Coastal Path)

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