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#### Summary

Wessex Archaeology was commissioned by GoBe Consultants on behalf of Five Estuaries Offshore Windfarm Limited (VE OWFL) to carry out a series of site visits to inform an exercise for the inclusion and exclusion of designated heritage assets for further detailed assessment within the Environmental Impact Assessment for the effects arising from the Five Estuaries Offshore Wind Farm upon onshore heritage assets. This document presents a summary of the visits and observations made to inform these choices and provides justification for the decisions made. This document will be used to inform discussions via the Evidence Plan Process and will form part of the baseline to support the Environmental Statement chapter. A separate assessment has been undertaken for effects arising from the onshore infrastructure (onshore substation and onshore export cable corridor).



## Five Estuaries OSWF Onshore Cultural Heritage

#### GPA3 Exercise and Technical Note for effects arising from the Offshore Array upon Onshore Heritage Assets

#### 1 INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 **Project background**

1.1.1 Wessex Archaeology was commissioned by GoBe Consultants on behalf of Five Estuaries Offshore Wind Farm Ltd to conduct an initial exercise to inform the assessment of effects of the proposed Five Estuaries Offshore Windfarm (hereafter VE), upon the heritage significance of onshore heritage assets arising from the presence of the offshore Wind Turbine Generators (WTGs) associated with the array areas.

#### 1.2 The Proposals

- 1.2.1 The development proposals are for the construction of an offshore array within the array areas off of the coast of the Essex/Suffolk border, shown on **Figure 1**. The array will consist of between 41-79 WTGs. A maximum blade tip height of 424m above LAT was considered for the assessment presented at PEIR.
- 1.2.2 The Project has now committed to a maximum height for the WTG of 399 m above LAT or 395 m above MHWS in response to feedback from stakeholders. This reduction in height has not changed the assessment of effects presented here.
- 1.2.3 VE will lie to the east of the existing Greater Gabbard and Galloper Offshore Windfarms. The proposed array areas are shown on **Figure 1**.

#### 1.3 Aims and Purpose of the document

- 1.3.1 The aims of this document are to:
  - Identify which heritage assets have the potential to be affected by the development proposals;
  - Provide an initial high-level appraisal of their setting and how this contributes to heritage significance;
- 1.3.2 An earlier iteration of this document was used to inform the discussions via the Evidence Plan Process and the Preliminary Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) chapter on Archaeology and Cultural Heritage. Following Section 42 comments and discussions as part of the Evidence Plan Process, this document has been updated to address the comments received. This document has the additional aim to;
  - Justify the inclusion or exclusion of heritage assets taken forward for further, more detailed assessment within the Environmental Statement (ES) chapter.
- 1.3.3 This does not carry out a scoping exercise or any assessment of the effects of the Onshore infrastructure such as the Onshore Export Cable Corridor or the Onshore Substation. This is considered as part of a separate annex to the ES (Volume 6, Part 6, Chapter 7, Annex 7.6).



#### 1.4 Existing Array Baseline

1.4.1 The proposed array areas will be situated approximately 37km at its closest point from the coast of Essex and Suffolk in an area where other operational arrays already exist. The Galloper Offshore Windfarm and Greater Gabbard Offshore Windfarm both have two array areas each which sit in front of the proposed array areas for VE closer to the shore. The Gunfleet Sands and London Array areas lie to the west and south west of the VE array areas off of the coast of Essex and the East Anglia One array lies to the north east of the VE array areas. The East Anglia Two array was consented in March 2022 but is not yet built or operational. This will lie to the north of the northern array area off of the coast of Suffolk. Existing and consented arrays are shown on **Figure 1**.

#### 2 GUIDANCE AND METHODOLOGY

#### 2.1 Setting

- 2.1.1 Historic England guidance (The Setting of Heritage Assets, 2017) sets out guidelines for considering effects on the significance of heritage assets arising from change to setting. The guidance accords with the Overarching National Policy Statement (NPS) for Energy EN-1 (DESNZ 2023)and National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) 2023, recognising that it is effects to significance of an asset that are of concern. The Historic England guidance specifically states that 'setting is not itself a heritage asset' and that 'its importance lies in what it contributes to the significance of the heritage asset or the ability to appreciate that significance' (Historic England 2017; para.9).
- 2.1.2 Assessment of setting is primarily associated with designated heritage assets or nondesignated heritage assets of equivalent heritage significance (where such assets are identified).
- 2.1.3 The setting assessment was guided by '*The Setting of Heritage Assets; Good Practice Advice in Planning Note 3 (GPA3)*' (Historic England 2017) which advocates a systematic and staged approach to the assessment of the effects of development:
  - Step 1 of the approach is to 'identify which heritage assets and their settings are affected';
  - Step 2 requires assessment of 'the degree to which these settings and views make a contribution to the significance of the heritage asset(s) or allow significance to be appreciated';
  - Step 3 is to 'assess the effects of the proposed development, whether beneficial or harmful, on the significance or on the ability to appreciate it';
  - Step 4 is to explore ways to 'maximise enhancement and avoid or minimise harm'; and
  - Step 5 is to 'make and document the decision and monitor outcomes'.
- 2.1.4 This document follows step 1 along with a brief consideration of steps 2 and 3 to be able to justify the decision to be able to include or scope out particular assets based upon whether or not the significance of the assets is likely to be affected by the proposals. For those assets considered to be sensitive receptors to the proposals, further more detailed narrative assessment has been included as part of the ES Chapter, following Steps 2, 3 and if required Step 4.



#### 2.2 Heritage Significance

2.2.1 For the purposes of this assessment terminology used within NPPF has been applied. Significance (for heritage policy) is defined in NPPF Annex 2 as:

'The value of a heritage asset to this and future generations because of its heritage interest. The interest may be archaeological, architectural, artistic or historic. Significance derives not only from a heritage asset's physical presence, but also from its setting. For World Heritage Sites, the cultural value described within each site's Statement of Outstanding Universal Value forms part of its significance.'

- 2.2.2 As mentioned above the value of a heritage asset is derived from its heritage interest. These 'interests' are defined by NPPF, and are used to assess significance within this report, as per Statements of Heritage Significance: analysing significance in heritage assets (Historic England 2019). These are:
  - Archaeological Interest: there will be archaeological interest in a heritage asset if it holds, or potentially holds, evidence of past human activity worthy of expert investigation at some point;
  - Architectural and Artistic Interest: these are interests in the design and general aesthetics of a place. They can arise from conscious design or fortuitously from the way the heritage asset has evolved. More specifically, architectural interest is an interest in the art or science of the design, construction, craftsmanship and decoration of buildings and structures of all types. Artistic interest is an interest in other human creative skill, like sculpture; and
  - Historic Interest: An interest in past lives and events (including prehistoric). Heritage assets can illustrate or be associated with them. Heritage assets with historic interest not only provide a material record of our nation's history but can also provide meaning for communities derived from their collective experience of a place and can symbolise wider values such as faith and cultural identity.
- 2.2.3 These interests are broadly analogous with the heritage 'values' used in Conservation Principles, Policies and Guidance (Historic England 2008). This assessment was also informed by the advice published by Historic England in the document entitled Managing Significance in Decision-Taking in the Historic Environment: historic environment good practice advice in planning note 2 (2015).

#### 2.3 Site visits and Observations

- 2.3.1 The coastal asset groups and selected assets up to a radius of 70km (with the addition of Dengie Peninsula; based upon consultation with the statutory authorities) were visited to identify those which might be sensitive to change arising from the development. Visits were undertaken between 31<sup>st</sup> August and 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022, with a separate visit to Orford/Orford Ness in early October 2022. Additional visits were made in October 2023. Weather conditions were sunny and dry with good visibility. Photographs are held in a digital archive.
- 2.3.2 The assets located at Orford Ness could not be visited during the late August/early September 2022 visits as access to these can only be reached at the weekends and by boat. A separate visit was made to Orford Village and Orford Ness on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2022. Conditions were dry and sunny with good visibility.



#### 3 CONSULTATION, SCOPING AND SECTION 42 RESPONSE

- 3.1.1 The EIA Scoping process and initial Expert Topic Group Meeting (ETG Meeting) has allowed the refinement of the scope of the assessment for the assessment of setting. Due to the number of assets along the Essex and Suffolk coastline it was suggested within the Scoping Report that these could be considered as coastal asset groups. The following groups were suggested;
  - Lowestoft;
  - Southwold;
  - Dunwich;
  - Aldeburgh;
  - Orford;
  - Felixstowe; and
  - Walton-on-the-Naze.
- 3.1.2 In addition to these Harwich and Clacton-on-Sea were suggested by the Statutory Consultees to be considered as additional asset groups along the Essex/Suffolk coastline.
- 3.1.3 Within the Scoping Report (Five Estuaries Wind Farm; September 2021) it was proposed that the assessment of effects arising from the offshore infrastructure on the significance of onshore heritage assets would be limited to specific assets whose heritage significance is related to maritime and long-distance views that might be changed by the proposed offshore array such as port facilities, lighthouses, castles or hillforts. Whilst this was agreed through the Scoping Opinion (The Planning Inspectorate; November 2021) it was also added that assets whose significance was derived from leisure uses connected with the coast could be susceptible to change should also be considered, with the Clacton Seafront Gardens given as an example.
- 3.1.4 The ETG Meetings (held in July 2021, August 2021 and December 2021) provided an opportunity to discuss the scope of the assessment in more detail as the project evolved. It was noted though the Evidence Plan process that assets further inland may need to be considered where there are views out to sea. Within the Scoping Report a 60km Study Area was proposed for the consideration of the offshore array on onshore heritage assets as it was considered that visibility beyond that would be very restricted, demonstrated by the ZTV. Consultees requested that a 70km Study Area be considered. As such selected assets out to 70km have been included as part of this initial exercise to be representative of views from these more distant, inland areas and to establish whether there was any likelihood for these assets to experience an effect from the array areas.
- 3.1.5 A request was made during an ETG meeting (7<sup>th</sup> December 2021) and within the Scoping Opinion for highly graded assets at the Dengie Peninsula which lies beyond the 70km area to also be included for consideration, as such these assets have been included as part of this assessment.



#### Section 42 Response

3.1.6 The Section 42 Response received in May 2023 provided feedback on the PEIR chapter and supporting technical annex for the assessment of setting relating to the offshore array. These comments have been taken on board and this document has been updated reflect this consultation. As a result, additional assets have been included within Table 11 and detailed assessment of selected assets has also been provided to justify the exclusion of these assets from assessment within the ES chapter. Additional wirelines from selected assets requested by Historic England have also been prepared to support the assessment (Volume 6, Part 6, Annex 7.10, Cultural Heritage Viewpoint Assessments and Wirelines). The heights and locations of the wirelines were agreed with Historic England in advance and shared with Historic England once created.

#### 3.2 Approach

- 3.2.1 Consideration has been given to specific assets named in consultee responses to the EIA Scoping Report or raised in subsequent consultation (via Expert Topic Group Meetings). Some assets have effectively been used as representative locations in which to understand the potential impacts on the heritage significance of larger coastal groups of assets in the immediate vicinity, for example where multiple designated assets occupy a small area, such as the coastal asset groups described above or selected Conservation Areas. Conversely, where selected assets fall outside of these areas or are distinct in their maritime associations when compared to other surrounding assets, these assets have been singled out for independent assessment.
- 3.2.2 The assessments for assets selected can be seen as illustrative of the range of indirect (largely visual) impacts on the settings and significance of those assets situated along the coastal zone, taking into account the variety of historic asset types, levels of designations and distance from the WTGs.
- 3.2.3 The assessment has been prepared using relevant Viewpoint Photographs and Wirelines prepared for the Seascape, Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment to demonstrate the likely visibility of the proposed WTGs from selected assets or coastal areas in general. The viewpoints and visualisations undertaken for the SLVIA assessment are presented in Volume 6, Part 7, SLVIA Figures and Photomontages. Additional wirelines were prepared in response to comments received during the Section 42 Consultation. The additional cultural heritage specific wirelines are presented in Volume 6, Part 6, Annex 7.10, Cultural Heritage Viewpoint Assessments and Wirelines.

#### 3.3 Coastal Asset Groups

3.3.1 This section defines the coastal asset groups identified at the scoping stage and includes information on how these groups have been formed. A description of each area is provided below describing how and why assets have been included or excluded from the coastal asset grouping. Those assets selected as part of the coastal asset groups are considered further below. Those assets which have no coastal/maritime, long-distance views, or leisure/tourism connections have been excluded from any further assessment as described below. Assets which have been included within the coastal asset groups are listed at the end of each section below, with assessment of these groups/assets provided within Section 4.

#### Lowestoft

3.3.2 Lowestoft is the northernmost group of assets considered, lying approximately 60km to the north of the northern array area boundary (**Figure 3**). The town has two adjacent conservation areas with distinct characters which when combined contain one Grade II

Registered Park and Garden, three Grade II\* Listed Buildings and 70 Grade II Listed Buildings. The northern conservation area 'Lowestoft' covers the High Street, which has a large number of listed buildings which line this central thoroughfare and has the character of a historic town centre. In addition, these buildings are set back from the coastline with an industrial area lying between the assets and the sea. The southern conservation area 'Lowestoft south' covers the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> century development of the town into a seaside resort.

- 3.3.3 The northern conservation area and the majority of the listed buildings within this conservation area have been excluded from this coastal asset group as they have no coastal connection, being inward facing to the conservation area and part of the historic town centre rather than part of the sea front or resort town. As these assets do not have a coastal/maritime setting this does not contribute to their significance and therefore cannot be harmed by the proposals.
- 3.3.4 A single asset from the northern conservation area has been included within the coastal asset group for its demonstrable maritime connection, the High Lighthouse (List Entry 1209999).
- 3.3.5 The character of the southern conservation area is defined by its development into a seaside resort in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. Assets in the southern part of the conservation area lie further back from the sea front and comprise residential and ecclesiastical buildings which do not rely on a coastal/maritime setting to form part of their significance. As such these assets have been excluded from the coastal asset group. The Church of St Peter and St John is set slightly back from the sea front but has a clear intentional sea view along Rectory Road (**Plate 1**) which forms part of its setting. As such as been included as part of the coastal asset group to establish whether or not its significance is likely to receive an effect (List Entry 1207046).
- 3.3.6 In the central part of the conservation area are a number of assets which lie along Kirkley Cliff, Wellington Esplanade and Victoria Terrace dating to the mid-19<sup>th</sup> centuries (**Plate 2**). These buildings were part of the original vision for the development of Lowestoft as a seaside resort, designed by J L Clemence and Sir Samuel Morton Peto and William Oldham Chambers. These are residential properties with an unobstructed sea view some of which have balconies on their seaward side. These assets have been included within the coastal asset group (List Entry 1209664, 1279944, 1207035, 1207048, 1292405) for their sea front position and seaward facing views. The royal Norfolk and Suffolk Yacht Club lies further north and has coastal and maritime connection as the yacht club and has been included as part of the coastal asset group (List Entry 1207043). The memorial structures and statues within the Lowestoft South conservation area, are not considered to derive their significance from their setting/coastal connection and do not have important sea views and as such have been excluded from the coastal asset group.

In summary the High Lighthouse from the northern conservation area, the assets on Kirkley Cliff, Wellington Esplanade and Victoria Terrace and the Norfolk and Suffolk Yacht Club have been included as part of the coastal asset group.

List Entry	Name	Asset Type	Grade	
	High Lighthouse including North Cottage and South			
1209999	Cottage	Listed Building		
1207046	Church of St Peter and St John	Listed Duilding	*	
1207040		Listed Building		
1209664	Kirkley Cliff Terrace	Listed Building		
1207043	Royal Norfolk and Suffolk Yacht Club	Listed Building	*	
1279944	South Lodge	Listed Building	11	
1207035	Wellington Esplanade, Lowestoft	Listed Building		
1207048	Wellington Esplanade, Lowestoft	Listed Building	П	
	16-28 Victoria Terrace and Eastleigh, 9, 10, and 11			
1292405	Waterloo Road	Listed Building	П	
Sou	Southwold			

 Table 1
 Assets Taken Forward as the Lowestoft Coastal Asset Group

- 3.3.7 Southwold has two conservation areas which lie within its vicinity, 'Southwold,' and 'Southwold Harbour and Walberswick Quay.' The Southwold conservation area contains one Grade I, four Grade II\* and 137 Grade II Listed Buildings (**Figure 4**). The conservation area covers the historic centre of the town and many of the listed buildings lie upon Queens Street/Queens Road which runs through the centre of the town comprising shops, houses and ecclesiastical buildings/structures. These are inward facing assets whose setting within the historic town centre contributes to their significance, rather than any maritime or coastal connection. The setting of these buildings is considered to be limited the central core of the town with little contribution made from the wider surroundings. As such these assets have been excluded from further consideration as part of the coastal asset group. Other listed buildings which lie away from the sea front and the core of the town centre and have also been excluded through a lack of coastal or leisure/tourism connection.
- 3.3.8 A small number of assets lie closer to the seafront and are outward facing towards the sea. These assets comprise the lighthouse (List Entry 1384444), Cliff House and Shrimp Cottage (List Entry 1384335), Watch House (List Entry 1384355), Whitehall and Guardship (List Entry 1384422) and the Sailors Reading Room (List Entry 1384341). These assets have been included as part of the coastal asset group.
- 3.3.9 The Southwold and Walberswick Quay conservation area has a clear functional coastal connection. It contains just one listed building, the Harbour Inn, which lies further inland adjacent to the River Blyth. Due to its position further inland and riverine rather than seaside connection, the listed building has been excluded from any separate further assessment but the conservation area as a whole has been included.

List Entry	Name	Asset Type	Grade
1384335	Cliff House and Shrimp Cottage	Listed Building	
1384341	Sailor's Reading Room	Listed Building	
1384444	The Lighthouse	Listed Building	11
1384355	Watch House	Listed Building	П
1384422	Whitehall and Guardship	Listed Building	П
N/A	Southwold and Walberswick Quay	Conservation Area	N/A

 Table 2
 Assets Taken Forward as the Southwold Coastal Asset Group



#### Dunwich

- 3.3.10 Dunwich Conservation Area covers the historic core of the town. Dunwich was once a much larger and thriving medieval port and harbour town, however much of the harbour and town was washed away into the sea through coastal erosion (**Figure 5**). At the cliff edge are the Scheduled Monuments of the Greyfriars medieval monastery (1030715; **Plate 8-9**) and Maison Dieu (1005995) a medieval hospital. Coastal erosion has meant that these monuments are incomplete and are not within their original positions within the historic town layout. Whilst these have no specific maritime connection, their current coastal position, although not intended does form part of the current setting of these assets as such they have been included as part of the coastal asset group.
- 3.3.11 The remaining assets within Dunwich are set further back from the cliff edge and include the scheduled remains of the medieval leper hospital and listed buildings comprising ecclesiastical structures, houses, cottages and shops consistent with a village centre. These buildings are situated within the village at Dunwich and do not have any specific coastal or maritime connections or specific leisure purpose associated with the seafront. As such the listed buildings and Medieval Leper Hospital Scheduled Monument have been excluded from the coastal asset group.

List Entry	Name	Asset Type	Grade
1030715		Listed Building and	
1006039	Remains of Grey Friars Monastery	Scheduled Monument	*
1005995	Maison Dieu (or Hospital of the Holy Trinity), Dunwich	Scheduled Monument	N/A

Table 3	Assets	Taken Forward	as the Dunwich	Coastal Asset Group

#### Aldeburgh

- 3.3.12 The assets at Aldeburgh comprise the Aldeburgh conservation area, one Grade I listed building, one Grade II\*, 51 Grade II listed buildings and the scheduled and listed Martello tower that lies outside of the conservation area to the south (**Figure 7**). The conservation area covers the historic centre of the village and many of the listed buildings comprise cottages, houses and shops which are set back from the sea front within the centre of the town surrounding the High Street. As these assets are inward facing and their setting is formed of their position within the town rather than any coastal setting, these assets have been excluded from the coastal asset group.
- 3.3.13 A small number of Grade II listed buildings lie close to the sea front facing the sea including a North Lookout (1269771; **Plate 11**) and South Lookout tower (1269772; **Plate 12**), Ocean Strand (1269769) and Grade I listed Moot Hall (1269716; **Plate 14**). A Martello tower lies at the sea front south of the town (1006041). Due to their coastal positions and/or maritime connections and long-distance views these assets have been included within the Aldeburgh coastal asset group.

List Entry	Name	Asset Type	Grade
1269724 1006041	Slaughden Martello Tower	Listed Building and Scheduled Monument	*
1269716	Moot Hall	Listed Building	1

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1269769	Ocean Strand	Listed Building	II
1269771	The North Lookout	Listed Building	=
1269772	The South Lookout	Listed Building	II

#### Orford

- 3.3.14 Orford comprises two parts, the village of Orford and Orford Ness which is a shingle spit reached by boat. The village sits slightly inland and is separated from the sea by the River Ore and Orford Ness (**Figure 6**). The village has 47 Grade II Listed Buildings, two Grade I Listed Buildings and is covered by a conservation area. As the village is set adjacent to the river rather than the sea, and its character is more riverine and less coastal than some of the other traditional seaside resorts along the coast of Suffolk. Most of the assets within the village comprise houses, shops and ecclesiastical buildings which are inward facing and have no coastal or riverine connections, consistent with a typical historic village centre. As such the majority of the assets within the village have been excluded from the Orford coastal asset group. The exception to this is the scheduled and listed Orford Castle (1030873) which includes a 20<sup>th</sup> century lookout tower and lies at the edge of the village close to the River Ore. This was built as a defensive structure with a coastal connection and has been included within the coastal asset group.
- 3.3.15 Orford Ness is a shingle spit separated from the mainland by the River Ore and has several listed structures and scheduled monuments relating to its use by the military for testing bomb ballistics and atomic weapons. As the remote coastal location of Orford Ness was key to the positioning of these assets the black beacon (1416868), bomb ballistics building (1416869), officers mess (1416867), barrack block (1416866) and atomic weapons research establishment (1416933) have been included within the Orford coastal asset group. The Lighthouse at Orford Ness (1392631) was demolished in 2020 and as such the structure is no long standing. This has been excluded from any further assessment.

List Entry	Name	Asset Type	Grade
1030873 1014860			I
1416869	Orford Ness: Bomb Ballistics building	Listed Building	П
1416867	Orford Ness: former RFC Officers' Mess and AWRE canteen building	Listed Building	II
1416866	Orford Ness: former Royal Flying Corps barrack block	Listed Building	11
1416868	Orford Ness: the Black Beacon and associated power house	Listed Building	11
1416933	Orford Ness: the Atomic Weapons Research Establishment test buildings and associated structures	Scheduled Monument	SM

 Table 5
 Assets Taken Forward as the Orford Coastal Asset Group



#### Felixstowe

- 3.3.16 Felixstowe has two conservation areas Felixstowe and Felixstowe South. The Felixstowe conservation area covers the seaside and spa town which developed in the 19th and early 20th centuries (**Figure 8**). A number of assets are set back from the seafront and include boundary walls, stable blocks, Church of St John and Reade House. Due to their location and lack of coastal or maritime association these have been excluded from the coastal asset group. Assets included within the group comprise Cranmer House (1253620) a seaside residence, Grade II\* Martello Tower R (1391640), and Grade II Registered Park and Garden Cliff Gardens and Town Hall Garden (1001220). Due to the character of the Felixstowe Conservation Area as a seaside resort, this has also been included as part of the coastal asset group.
- 3.3.17 The Felixstowe south conservation area covers the earliest and central part of the resort town and also includes the town's pier. A single listed Martello tower (1030375) lies within this conservation area which has been included within the coastal asset group, as well as the conservation area itself. Two other Martello towers lie further south and north of the conservation areas and has also been included within this group (1006013 and 1006036). Landguard Fort (1030415) lies further south still and has been included for independent assessment below.

List Entry	Name	Asset Type	Grade
1001220	Cliff Gardens and Town Hall Gardens	Registered Park and Garden	11
1391640	Bartlett Hospital/Martello Tower R	Listed Building	*
1253620	Cranmer House	Listed Building	П
1002968 1377365	Martello tower at Felixstowe ferry	Listed Building and Scheduled monument	П
1006013 1284281	Martello tower at western end of sea front/Coastguard Station	Scheduled Monument and Listed Building	11
1030405 1006036	Martello Tower, South End of Golf Links	Listed Building and Scheduled Monument	11
N/A	Felixstowe Conservation Area	Conservation Area	N/A
N/A	Felixstowe South Conservation Area	Conservation Area	N/A
1018969	Landguard Fort	Scheduled Monument and Listed Building	I

 Table 6
 Assets Taken Forward as the Felixstowe Coastal Asset Group

#### Harwich

3.3.18 Harwich has two conservation areas within its vicinity the Harwich Conservation Area and the Dovercourt Conservation Area (**Figure 9**). The Harwich Conservation Area covers the central area of the town of Harwich which grew up around the harbour. The town has a large number of listed buildings which line the series of parallel and in some places gridded street pattern. The listed buildings are tightly packed within the centre of Harwich and almost all of these are inward facing and comprise shops and houses. As such these assets and the

conservation area have been excluded from the coastal asset group due to a lack of coastal connection.

- 3.3.19 The exceptions to this are the High Lighthouse (**Plate 20**) and Low Lighthouse (**Plate 22**) which are both listed buildings and Scheduled Monuments (1017201 & 1019326). The Travelling Crane is also a Grade II\* listed and a scheduled monument (1017202) and also lies at the edge of the town centre to the south east. These assets have been included within the coastal asset group due to their coastal setting and maritime connections. The scheduled Napoleonic coastal battery lies on the western side of the town, whilst this does have a maritime setting and defensive function this asset lies on the other side of the quay facing towards the estuary of the River Stour rather than the having a seaward defensive position. For this reason, this asset has been excluded from the coastal asset group.
- 3.3.20 Harwich redoubt lies in between the two conservation areas and is situated on an elevated position to the south of the town. The redoubt has a clear defensive function to protect the harbour and as such has been included within the coastal asset group. The redoubt is Grade II\* listed and a scheduled monument (1017205).
- 3.3.21 The Dovercourt Conservation Area covers an area to the south of Harwich which covers the area most closely associated with the early development of the town as a seaside resort. The conservation area contains Beacon Hill Fort, a late 19th and 20th century coastal fortification and a number of Grade II listed buildings comprising houses, a convent and market hall. Of the assets within the Dovercourt Conservation Area only the Beacon Hill Fort has a clear coastal and maritime connection and as such this has been included within the asset group. The remaining assets do not have any specific coastal or maritime connections nor any leisure or tourism connection and as such have been excluded from the coastal asset group.
- 3.3.22 To the south of the Dovercourt Conservation Area are the Dovercourt Lighthouses and Causeway (1017200; **Plate 23**). The monument consists of two iron framed lighthouses connected by a stone causeway. The lighthouses were built in 1862/3 to guide ships towards Harwich harbour and as this has a coastal connection this asset has been included within the coastal asset group.

List Entry	Name	Asset Type	Grade
1280598		Scheduled Monument and	
1017201	Harwich High Lighthouse	Listed Building	*
1187899		Scheduled Monument and	
1017202	The Harwich Treadwheel Crane	Listed Building	*
1298464		Scheduled Monument and	
1019326	Harwich Low Lighthouse	Listed Building	
1187916		Scheduled Monument and	
1017205	The Harwich Redoubt	Listed Building	*
	Beacon Hill Fort: a late 19th and 20th century coastal		
1018958	artillery fortification	Scheduled Monument	N/A
1017200	The Dovercourt lighthouses and causeway	Scheduled Monument	N/A

 Table 7
 Assets Taken Forward as the Harwich Coastal Asset Group

#### Walton on the Naze

- 3.3.23 A single conservation area covers the seafronts at Frinton and Walton (**Figure 10**). The conservation area contains a number of Grade II and II\* listed buildings predominantly comprising houses, churches and shops most of which are set back away from the sea front. The conservation area also covers the esplanade and the pier at Walton. Two assets from within the conservation area have been included within the asset group due to their sea front position and sea views, namely 40-44 The Parade (1111508) and Gun Fleet (1309165). The remaining assets within the conservation areas have been excluded from the asset group due to a lack of coastal/leisure connection.
- 3.3.24 In addition to this, selected assets from beyond the conservation area have been included within the asset group comprising Naze Tower (1165846; **Plate 25**) and the Navigation tower at Walton Hall (1165806) which lie to the north of the conservation area and Martello Tower K and associated battery which lies to the north west of the conservation area (1016787).

 Table 8
 Assets Taken Forward for the Walton on the Naze Coastal Asset

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List Entry	Name	Asset Type	Grade
1165806	Navigation Tower at Walton Hall	Listed Building	11
1165846	Naze Tower	Listed Building	*
1455213	Old Lifeboat House	Listed Building	11
	Martello tower K and associated battery south west of		
1016787	Walton Mere	Scheduled Monument	N/A
1111508	40-44 The Parade	Listed Building	П
1309165	Gun Fleet	Listed Building	11

#### Clacton on Sea

- 3.3.25 The conservation area covers the seafront at Clacton and includes the pier. The character of the conservation area is focussed upon the leisure and tourism aspects of the town as a seaside resort, as such the conservation area including the pier (**Plate 27**) has been included within the coastal asset group. A small number of listed buildings lie within the conservation area which comprise a memorial structure, a church and municipal building.
- 3.3.26 The Clacton Seafront Gardens are a Grade II registered park and garden (**Plate 28**). These have a clear leisure and tourism connection as part of the historic seaside resort and as such the seafront gardens have been included within the asset group (1001626). One Scheduled and listed Martello tower (F) lies at the south western extent of the conservation area (1016555) and due to its position and coastal connection this asset has also been included as part of the asset group (1016555; **Plate 26**). Two additional Martello Towers lie outside the conservation area (1016554 (E) and 1016553 (D)) to the south of Clacton which have also been included within the asset group due to their defensive coastal purpose (1016553 and 1016554; **Plate 29**).

List entry number	Name	Asset Type	Grade
		Registered Park	
1001626	Clacton Seafront Gardens	and Garden	П
1337150 1016554	Martello tower E, 300m south west of junction of Marine Parade West and Wash Lane, Clacton-on-Sea	Listed Building and Scheduled Monument	11
		Listed Building and	
1111520		Scheduled	
1016555	Martello tower F, Marine Parade West, Clacton-on-Sea	Monument	
		Listed Building and	
1111524	Martello tower D, 450m SSW of the Club House, Clacton	Scheduled	
1016553	Golf Course	Monument	П
N/A	Clacton Seafront Conservation Area	Conservation Area	N/A

Table 9	Assets Taken Forward as the Clacton on Sea Coastal Asset Group
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#### Dengie Peninsula

3.3.27 The Dengie Peninsula lies 76km from the array area and due to the distance from the array area only the highly graded assets at the coast have been considered. These include the scheduled Saxon coastal fish weir at Sales Point (1019103), scheduled Saxon Shore Fort and Anglo-Saxon monastery at Bradwell on Sea (1013834) and Grade I listed St Peters Chapel (1110942). As these assets have a coastal connection these have been included within the asset group below. Grade II listed assets and assets further inland have been excluded from any further assessment as these assets are not considered to derive their significance from a coastal setting and are considered to be less sensitive receptors due to the distance from the array area.

Table 10	Assets Taken Forward as the Dengie Peninsula Coastal Asset Group
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List Entry	Name	Asset Type	Grade
1019103	Saxon coastal fish weir at Sales Point	Scheduled Monument	N/A
	Saxon Shore Fort and Anglo-Saxon monastery		
1013834	at Bradwell on Sea	Scheduled Monument	N/A
1110942	St Peters Chapel	Listed Building	1



#### 4 INITIAL ASSESSMENT

- 4.1.1 The following table (**Table 11**) provides an initial assessment of the coastal asset groups as determined by the scoping exercise above (and listed in **Tables 1-10**) and a selection of other assets within 70km radius to provide a representative sample of effects further inland up to the 70km limit.
- 4.1.2 The table provides a list of the assets/groups of assets considered, their designation and a brief description of their setting and significance, as per Steps 1-3 of the Historic England guidance outlined above. Observations made during the site visits are provided as part of the rationale as to whether the assets have been included for further assessment within the ES Chapter. Selected assets have been chosen for further more detailed assessment in Section 5.
- 4.1.3 Distances to the nearest part of the proposed Order Limits for the array area are given, note that this is not necessarily the location of the closest proposed WTG, locations of which will be determined post-consent. The purpose of Table 11 is to provide evidence for the justification to include/exclude assets which have been identified above as having a coastal or leisure association or form part of the representative sample, for further consideration within the ES Chapter.
- 4.1.4 The following table identifies assets initially considered (taking into account the criteria and requests derived from the formal Scoping Response and in subsequent consultations). This is analogous to Stage 1 of the Historic England GPA3 process (as set out in the above) but in order to make a decision on whether to go forward to detailed assessment, some limited consideration is given to setting and significance, as well as to whether the WTGs are likely to affect that significance (as per Stages 2 and 3 of the process). References are made to Site visit photographs (plates) and SLVIA visualisations as appropriate. For the purpose of this initial high level assessment the inclusion/exclusion of certain assets is predominantly concerned with a visual change in setting.
- 4.1.5 Abbreviations used within the table are as follows; LB= Listed Building, SM= Scheduled Monument, CA= Conservation Area, RPG= Registered Park and Garden.

 Table 11
 Designated Heritage Asset Exercise for the Offshore Array

		Distance from closest point of Array				Rationale (including	
Asset	Designation	Area	Description	Setting	Significance	observations)	In/Out
	Two Grade		The conservation areas cover the 19th and 20th century development of the town into a seaside resort. The assets have been included within the coastal asset group comprise assets with a coastal connection such as the lighthouse and the yacht club and a number of residential buildings which face the seafront. In addition, a Grade II* church	The coastal assets lie at or close to the seafront and as such their surroundings consist of the 19 <sup>th</sup> -20 <sup>th</sup> century seaside resort town. The lighthouse and the yacht club owe their positioning to their proximity to the sea and in particular the lighthouse has a navigational purpose relating to its position. The residential buildings which front the sea front ( <b>Plate 2</b> ) have a deliberate sea view which takes advantage of the uninterrupted views out to sea. The church does not have any specific coastal associations and is set back from the coast.	The significance of the assets within the Lowestoft coastal asset group is predominantly derived from their architectural and historic interests. Assets such as the residential terraces along the sea front and the church benefit from having a sea view as part of their setting but these assets do not rely on this to form a large part of their significance. Their significance is principally derived from their architectural and historic interests. Similarly, the yacht club whilst has a functional association with the coast and has its own sea views, is also	From Lowestoft the existing turbines at Greater Gabbard and Galloper Windfarms were not visible on a clear day due to the distance of 58km ( <b>Plate 3</b> ). The setting of the lighthouse is considered to contribute to the significance of the asset however as the lighthouse is situated in the northern part of Lowestoft, its principal sea views are looking east and north. To the south (towards the proposed WTGs) the landform extends further east making	
	II* Listed Buildings,		with a deliberate view out to sea	However, the church lies at the end of Rectory Road	significant for its architectural and historic	this a less clear sea view. At a distance of	
Lowestoft	six Grade II		despite being	which is a straight road	interests, with a small	58km from the array,	
Coastal Asset	Listed		further inland has	which leads directly to the	contribution made by its	the significance of the	
Group	Buildings	58km	also been included.	coast (Plate 1).	setting. The lighthouse,	lighthouse is not	Out



		Distance from closest point of Array		• **		Rationale (including	
Asset	Designation	Area	Description	Setting	Significance owes more of its significance to its coastal setting, The coastal setting of the asset is integral to its navigational purpose which is where is draws its architectural and historic interests.	observations) considered to be affected by the proposals despite the increased height of the proposed array from the existing WTGs. It is not considered that the experience or understanding of the lighthouse would be affected by the introduction of the proposed array. The remaining assets draw less significance from their coastal setting and as such their overall significance is not considered to be affected by the array at a distance of 58km.	In/Out
Somerleyton Park/Hall and associated assets	Grade II* RPG, 4 Grade II* LBs, 18 Grade II LBs	65km	Parkland of 17thC origin with 19thC alterations. Grade II* buildings comprise Somerleyton Hall, built in 19th century but retaining the core of 17thC	The immediate setting of the parkland and the assets within it is contained within its boundaries which is physically demarcated by a boundary wall. The parkland is set just beyond the village of Somerleyton	The Listed Buildings/structures derive much of their significance from their architectural interest. The hall, church and parkland in particular are likely to have some archaeological interest	Due to the distance from the coast (nearest point 4.5km) no sea views could be identified at ground level. The surroundings of Somerleyton Hall were rural countryside and	Out

Asset	Designation	Distance from closest point of Array Area	Description	Setting	Significance	Rationale (including observations)	In/Out
A3301	Designation		mansion, St Marys	which lies at its south west	due to the likelihood that	there was no sense of	
			Church with its	corner. Along with the	there were earlier	a coastal association	
			origins in the 15thC	arable fields which	phases of these	from this position.	
			, the walled kitchen	surround it on all other	buildings and earlier		
			garden built in the	sides, the village and	layouts to the grounds.		
			19thC, and the	arable landform part of the	Similarly, these assets		
			Stable Court built in the 19thC in	wider setting of the park.	hold historic interest due		
			Jacobean style.		to their age and development of the		
			The Grade II		estate over time. Both		
			listings closest to		the immediate and wider		
			the house		settings make a		
			comprise garden		contribution to the		
			features, such as		significance of the assets		
			sundials, walls,		which is further		
			statues, urns and		enhanced by their group		
			troughs as well as		value. The coastal area		
			structures such as		is not thought to form		
			the aviary and		part of the setting of		
			glasshouses. Other		these assets and therefore does not		
			Grade II buildings in the parkland		contribute to		
			include cottages,		significance.		
			the old rectory, a				
			game larder and				
			the south gate				
			lodge.				

		Distance from closest point of Array				Rationale (including	
Asset	Designation	Area	Description	Setting	Significance	observations)	In/Out
			Parkland and				
			Ravenington Hall are of 18thC date,				
			with the Gardens		The listed buildings		
			redesigned in the		derive much of their		
			20thC Arts and		significance from their		
			Crafts style. A		architectural interest.		
			precursor to the		The hall, parkland,		
			house was a		church and war memorial		
			moated manor,		also hold historic		
			located 500m	Ravenington Hall lies	interest. The church, hall		
			away. Grade II	within a rural area	and parkland are also		
			listed buildings closest to the	surrounded by fields, country lanes and isolated	likely to hold archaeological interest	Due to the distance	
			house include the	domestic dwellings and	due to their earlier	from the coast	
			stable block and	farms. The immediate	phases, and in particular	(nearest point 15km)	
			garden wall and	setting of the buildings and	the south west corner of	no sea views could be	
			glasshouse. Grade	parkland is formed of the	the parkland which is the	identified at ground	
			II* St Andrews	extent of the parkland	location of the former	level. The	
			Church (12thC	which is physically	moated house. The	surroundings of	
	Grade II*		origin) lies within	demarcated by a hedge	coastal area is not	Ravenington Park are	
	RPG, 2		the parkland to the	and fence line. The arable	perceptible from	rural countryside and	
D	Grade II*		south, along with a	surroundings form the	Ravenington Hall and as	there was no sense of	
Ravenington	LBs, 2	701/100	Grade II War	wider setting of the park	such does not contribute	a coastal association	Out
Hall	Grade II LBs	70km	memorial.	and associated assets	to significance.	from this position.	Out



Asset	Designation	Distance from closest point of Array Area	Description	Setting	Significance	Rationale (including observations)	In/Out
Southwold Coastal Asset			The Southwold conservation area covers the historic centre of the town. A small number of assets lie closer to the seafront and are outward facing towards the sea. The Southwold and Walberswick quay conservation area lies further south and is the site of an historic quay and	The assets included within the asset group lie close to the sea front and have a coastal setting. The watch house ( <b>Plate 4</b> ), lighthouse ( <b>Plate 5</b> ) and Whitehall and Guardship (a former coastguard station; <b>Plate 6</b> ) all have a functional association whereby the views out to sea were a key part of the operational aspect of the building and would have influenced the design and use of the structures. The sailors reading room and cliff house and shrimp cottage lie close to the sea front but do not rely as heavily on their coastal setting for	The coastal assets draw much of their significance from their architectural and historic interests for which they are designated. Some contribution is made by their coastal setting, particularly in the case of the lighthouse, watch house and former coastguard station whereby their purpose is connected to its position	The existing turbines at Greater Gabbard and Galloper Windfarms only very faintly visible in the distance in clear conditions ( <b>Plate 4</b> ; SLVIA VP1). The proposed array will lie adjacent to the existing array when viewed from the north, looking south east (SLVIA VP1 Wireline). Despite the proposed array being larger in size the presence of the array at a distance of 47km is not anticipated to affect the significance of the assets at Southwold which rely more heavily on their setting as part of their significance. Faint views of turbines in the distance to the south east is not expected to harm the way that	
Group	LBs	47km	harbour	their significance.	at the coast	these assets are	Out



Asset	Designation	Distance from closest point of Array Area	Description	Setting	Significance	Rationale (including observations) experienced or	In/Out
						appreciated in their coastal setting ( <b>Plate</b> 7).	
Heveningham	Grade II* RPG, 2 Grade I, 2 Grade II*, 6		Parkland is recorded from the mid-16thC however the current landscape dates from the 18thC of Capability Brown's designs. The house dates to the late 18thC however earlier versions of the house are known. The orangery is also Grade I listed, built in 1790 to the designs of James Wyatt. The Grade II	The setting of the parkland and the assets within it is formed predominantly from the extent of the parkland. The wider setting is comprised of a rural landscape of county lanes, arable fields and with some isolated farmsteads	The significance of the assets is mainly derived from the architectural interest of the buildings and the architectural and artistic interest of the Brownian landscape. Historic interest is derived from the connections to notable persons such as Capability Brown, James Wyatt and the Heveningham family who lived here. There may be some archaeological interest associated with the house and parkland as earlier versions of	Due to the distance from the coast (nearest point 12km) no sea views could be identified at ground level. The surroundings of Heveningham Park are rural countryside and there was no sense of a coastal association from this position. The coastal area is not perceptible from Heveningham	
Hall	Grade II	57km	buildings/structures	and domestic dwellings.	these are recorded to	Hall	Out

		Distance from closest point of Array				Rationale (including	
Asset	Designation	Area	Description	Setting	Significance	observations)	In/Out
			include a garden		have existed. The		
			terrace, walls and store of the kitchen		immediate setting of the assets make a		
			garden, icehouse,		contribution to		
			stables and game		significance as this is		
			larder. At the		where their architectural		
			southern extent of		and artistic interests can		
			the park are the		be best appreciated and		
			Grade II* listed		where the group value of		
			gate lodges.		these assets can also be		
					recognised. The wider		
					landscape makes a smaller contribution to		
					the setting of the asset.		
			Dunwich was once		the setting of the asset.	The monastery and	
			a much larger and			Maison Dieu are	
			thriving medieval			currently located close	
			port and harbour	The setting of the		to the cliff edge which	
			town, however	monuments at the seafront		is a change from their	
			much of the	has changed over time.		original intended	
			harbour washed	Originally these buildings		setting. As the	
			away into the sea through coastal	would have lain within the medieval town. Their		seafront location was not a factor in their	
			erosion. Scheduled	coastal position was not	The significance of the	design on siting, views	
			Monuments within	intended or part of their	monuments is derived	out to sea are not	
			the town which lie	design. Whilst the cliff,	from their architectural,	thought to contribute	
			close to the sea	beach and sea lie within	historic and in particular	to their significance.	
			front comprise the	the setting of the asset	their archaeological	The existing turbines	
Dunwich			remains of the	they are not considered to	interests with very little	at Greater Gabbard	
Coastal Asset			medieval	make a positive	contribution from their	and Galloper arrays	
Group	Grade II* LB	45km	monastery and	contribution to it.	coastal setting.	were only very faintly	Out

		Distance from closest point of Array				Rationale (including	
Asset	Designation	Area	Description	Setting	Significance	observations)	In/Out
			Maison Dieu a			visible over a distance	
			medieval hospital. As a large part of			of 45km ( <b>Plate 10;</b> SLVIA VP 2 and VP 2	
			the town washed			Wireline). The	
			into the sea many			presence of larger	
			of the listed			turbines within the	
			buildings are			array area may be	
			further inland,			very faintly visible	
			away from the			when looking south	
			coast and have been excluded			east from Dunwich however the presence	
			from the asset			of these additional	
			group			turbines is not	
			5 1			considered to harm	
						the significance of the	
						assets.	
			The conservation	The seafront setting of the	The significance of the	As previously	
			area covers the historic centre of	North and South Lookout	Martello Tower, north and south lookout towers	mentioned, Moot Hall and Ocean Strand are	
			the village. A small	Tower is important to these assets as their	are derived from their	less reliant on the	
			number of Grade II	primary function was to be	architectural and historic	setting of the assets	
			LBs lie close to the	able to see ships in	interests and their	when compared to	
			sea front facing the	distress as they navigated	setting. As the setting of	their other interests, as	
			sea including a	the waters of the east	these assets is a key	such the introduction	
			North and South	coast. Similarly, the	aspect of their form and	of the array at a	
			Lookout tower as	Martello Tower's coastal	function, this is	distance of 38km is	l e
			well as a Grade I	position is also an	considered to contribute	not expected to affect	<b>In</b> 1006041
Aldeburgh	1 Grade I, 1		listed building dating to 1520,	important part of its significance as these were	to their significance. Moot Hall derives less	the ways in which the significance of these	(1269724)
Coastal Asset			Moot Hall. Ocean	located in defensive	significance from its	assets are	1269771
Group	Grade II	38km	Strand (GII) is a	positions along the coast	setting with a greater	experienced or	1269772



	Distance from closest point of Array			Rationale (including	
Asset Designation			Significance	observations)	In/Out
	seaside vill sea view. A Martello tov and SM) lie sea front so the village.	Abe able to see anwer (GII*approaching enemy ( <b>Plate</b> es at the <b>15</b> ).	architectural and historic interests for its significance principally due to its age and survival. Ocean Strand	appreciated and as such have been excluded from further assessment The lookout towers and Martello tower draw more heavily on their setting as it contributes to understanding the assets as defensive/lookout posts and appreciating their historic importance. From Aldeburgh the existing arrays at Galloper and Greater Gabbard were only very faintly visible in clear conditions due to distance. Some of the proposed array will sit behind the northernmost of the existing turbines, however there will still be a visible increase in the number of turbines in the area (SLVIA VP6; VP6 & Wireline,	



•	Destauration	Distance from closest point of Array	Basariation	0	0	Rationale (including	
Asset	Designation	Area	Description	Setting	Significance	observations)	In/Out
						Volume 6, Part 6,	
						Annex 7.10; Figure 7.15a-d). Due to the	
						angle at which the	
						proposed array will sit	
						and the seafront	
						position of the Martello	
						tower, north lookout	
						and south lookout	
						these assets have	
						been included for	
						further assessment	
			The Orford Coastal	The setting of the castle	Orford castle draws it		
			Asset Group	consists of its position	significance from its	The lighthouse is no	
			comprises two	adjacent to the River Ore	architectural,	longer standing and as	
			parts, the village	and the sea beyond this.	archaeological and	such has been	
			and Orford Ness.	The tower allows views	historic interests due to	excluded from any	
			The village sits	over both the river and the	its age and form as a	further assessment.	
			slightly inland and	sea which would have	defensive structure. The	The structures and	
			is separated from	been important for	setting of the asset contributes to these	scheduled remains	
			the sea by the River Ore and	defensive purposes. The immediate surroundings	interests by providing	relating to the military weapons tests do	
			Orford Ness.	comprise the earthworks	views out to sea which	derive part of their	
			Orford Ness is a	associated with the castle	would warn of an	significance from their	
			shingle spit	and the later village	approaching enemy fleet.	setting but this does	
			separated from the	beyond this.	The significance of the	not include seaward	
Orford			mainland by the	The assets at Orford Ness	assets on the Ness are	views or the area for	
Coastal Asset			River Ore and has	are situated on a remote	also informed by their	the proposed array	
Group	2 SMs, 1		several structures	shingle spit that is only	setting which contributes	and as such the	In
(including	Grade I, 5		and monuments	accessible by boat. The	to their architectural and	assets at Orford Ness	1014860
Orford Ness)	Grade IIs	38km	relating to its use	remote location was a key	historic interests through	have been excluded	(1030873)

Asset	Decignotica	Distance from closest point of Array	Description	Setting	Significance	Rationale (including observations)	In/Out
Assel	Designation	Area	Description by the military for testing bomb ballistics and atomic weapons. The assets at Orford Ness and Orford Castle are considered further here.	factor in the location of the weapons tests to keep them away from the public. The lighthouse was demolished in 2020 as the structure had become unstable due to erosion.	the choice of siting of these buildings in an isolated position away from the public. The significance of these assets is not determined by any sea views or visual relationships beyond the area where the tests were undertaken. However, views between the assets do contribute to their significance as they allowed the efficacy of the weapons to be observed	from any further assessment. The castle tower could not be accessed at the time of the site visit as the castle was undergoing conservation work, however due to the distance from the proposed array at 41km the array would only be very faintly visible in long distance views (SLVIA VP 7; VP7 Wireline). Due to its coastal connections and sea views, Orford Castle (1014860) has been included for further assessment.	
Helmingham Hall	Grade I RPG, 1 Grade I LB, 16 Grade II	65km	Parkland and moated Hall date to the 16thC with 19th and 20thC alterations. An earlier 15thC house stood on this site. The parkland was extended in the 18thC to its	The immediate setting of the parkland and the assets within it is formed of the extensive parkland which surrounds the Hall which is demarcated by a fence and mature treeline. The wider surroundings of Helmingham Park consist of arable farmland on the	The significance of the assets at Helmingham Hall are derived from their architectural interest, in particular the Hall itself which is Grade I listed. The parkland and hall also hold some archaeological interest as the hall was	Due to the distance from the coast (nearest point 27.5km) no sea views could be identified at ground level. The surroundings of Helmingham Park are rural countryside and there was no sense of	Out

	Designed	Distance from closest point of Array	Bassisting	0		Rationale (including	
Asset	Designation	Area	Description present size. The Grade II listed buildings/structures include garden features such as statues, sundials, urns, obelisk and garden walls, as well as a stable block, revetment for the moat, old Hall, lodge buildings and gateways, a game larder and bridge.	Setting northern, western and southern sides. On the eastern side is Grade I listed St Marys Church, country lanes and isolated farmsteads/domestic dwellings. The coastal area does not form part of the setting of the assets.	Significance constructed on the Site of an earlier house and the gardens were laid out over an earlier enclosure. The historic interest of the estate as a whole is derived from the Tollemache family who lived here for many generations. The significance of the assets is enhanced by their group value. Both the immediate and wider setting of the assets make a contribution to the significance of the asset constructed a as a high status, county residence within a rural landscape. As the coastal area does not form part of the setting of the asset this doesn't contribute to its significance.	observations) a coastal association from this position. The coastal area is not perceptible from Helmingham Hall	In/Out
Shrubland Hall	Grade I RPG, 6 Grade II*, 23 Grade II	70km	The Hall (Grade II*) has its origins in the 17thC and the Georgian house forms the core	The Shrubland Estate sits on the southern side of the village of Coddenham and is surrounded on its northern and eastern sides	The significance of the assets is predominantly derived from the architectural interest of the buildings and	Due to the distance from the coast (nearest point 32.5km) no sea views could be identified at ground	Out

		Distance from closest point of Array				Rationale (including	
Asset	Designation	Area	Description current house	<b>Setting</b> by a rural landscape. On	Significance structures. Historic	observations) level. The	In/Out
1			which was	the south western side of	interest is derived from	surroundings of	
			extensively remodelled in the	the parkland is A14. The	the age of the structures and in relation to the	Shrubland Park are	
			19thC. The	immediate setting of the assets are contained	garden features and	rural countryside and there was no sense of	
			parkland estate	within the boundaries of	layout of the parkland,	a coastal association	
			dates to the early	the parkland from which	the connections to	from this position. The	
			16thC and in the	the assets can be best	landscape gardeners	coastal area is not	
			17thC designs	appreciated. The wider	such as Repton and Sir	perceptible from	
			were produced by	surroundings of the asset	Charles Barry. The hall	Shrubland Hall	
			Humphrey Repton	have changed over time in	and parkland are likely to		
			some of which were carried out.	particular the A14	have some		
			The remaining	constructed along the south western boundary.	archaeological interest as an earlier house is		
			Grade II* structures	south western boundary.	known to have existed		
			include formal		on the site of the house		
			garden features		and earlier phases of		
			such as		landscaping or land		
			balustrading,		management may exist		
			loggia, terraces,		within the park. The		
			grotto and		immediate setting makes		
			staircases. The other Grade II		a contribution to the significance of the assets		
			structures include a		as this is where the		
			bridge, urns, steps,		assets can be best		
			a cottage, laundry,		appreciated, and it is		
			Old Hall, statues,		within this area that the		
			coachouse,		group value of the assets		
			gateways, lodges		is also evident. The		
			and garden walls		wider surroundings make		
					some minor contribution		



Asset	Designation	Distance from closest point of Array Area	Description	Setting	Significance	Rationale (including observations)	In/Out
					to significance, but this		
					has become less		
					important to its		
					significance over time,		
					through the construction		
					of the A14, severing the		
					park from its surroundings on the		
					south western side.		
					The significance of the		
					assets at Coddenham is		
			This group of		derived predominantly		
			assets lie at the		from their architectural		
			centre of the small		interest with some		
			settlement at		contribution made by		
			Coddenham at the		their historic interest	The buildings front the	
			junction of Church		particularly for the	two main roads	
			Road and High	<b>T</b> I	church. The church may	through the village and	
			Street. This includes a Grade I	The setting of these assets	also hold some	are largely domestic bar the church and	
			listed church,	are confined to the village within which they sit, with	archaeological interest as it has its origins in the	public house and sit	
			Grade II* Old	some wider contribution	11thC. All of the assets	within historic village	
			Lodge and Post	from the rural landscape	derive some of their	which retains its rural	
			Office, as well as	which surrounds the	significance from their	character. Due to the	
			10 Grade II's	village. The collection of	immediate setting within	distance from the	
			including houses,	historic buildings creates a	the village which	coast this the assets	
	1 Grade I, 1		cottages,	historic character and the	enhances the ability to	within the village do	
Coddenham	Grade II*, 10		farmhouses and a	group of assets enhance	understand and	not have any coastal	
Village	Grade II	70km	public house.	their collective setting	appreciate the buildings.	associations	Out



Accet	Designation	Distance from closest point of Array	Description	Cotting	Significance	Rationale (including	In/Out
Asset	Designation	Area	Description	Setting	Significance The Martello Tower is	observations) The setting of the	In/Out
					significant for its	asset is considered to	
					architectural interest as a	contribute to the	
					well preserved example	significance of the	
					of Military architecture	asset, however the	
					built to defend the coast.	introduction of the	
					It has group value with	array at a distance of	
					the Martello Towers at	45km, behind the	
					Buckanay Farm,	existing array	
					Bawdsey Beach and	(Galloper and Greater	
					Rose Cottage which are	Gabbard) is not	
					all visible from Shingle	considered to affect	
					Street when looking	the ways in which the	
				The tower lies just set	south. The group of	historic interests of the	
				back from the shingle	preserved towers allow	Martello Tower are	
				beach at the sea front.	the towers to be	experienced or	
			Martello Tower	Shingle Street is lined by a	appreciated as a group	understood. The	
			built between 1808	few residential properties which are all on the	and illustrate the	proposed WTGs will not block or inhibit	
			and 1812 to	seaward side of the road.	intensity of the coastal defences in this area.	views out to see which	
			support an existing	On the opposite side is	The tower has historic	will still be appreciable	
			battery to the	former marshland. There is	interest due as an	from the Martello	
			south. The tower is	no through road so the	example of a defensive	Tower. At such a	
			surrounded by a	area is quite isolated	tower built as a response	distance, the proposed	
			surviving dry moat	although public parking is	to the Napoleonic threat,	WTGs will only be	
			with bank. It was	available to make use of	and also has some	faintly visible in the	
			converted to a	the beach. The collection	historic interest through	long distance even in	
Martello			coastguard station	of residential properties at	its conversion as a	the clearest of	
Tower at			in the 19 <sup>th</sup> C and	Shingle Street is isolated	coastguard station. The	conditions, as	
Shingle			then into residential	from any other settlement	setting of the asset	demonstrated in	
Street	Grade II, SM	45km	use in the 1970s.	or development.	contributes to the historic	Viewpoint 10. This	Out



Asset	Designation	Distance from closest point of Array Area	Description	Setting	Significance	Rationale (including observations)	In/Out
ASSEL		Alea		Setting	interest of the asset through the appreciation of its defensive position as part of a chain of defences to identify and defeat an approaching enemy.	presence is not considered to affect or lead to a reduction in the overall significance of the asset. In addition, the architectural interests and group value of the asset which also make up its significance will be preserved.	Invout
Martello Tower at Bawdsey Beach	Grade II, SM	45km	The Martello Tower was constructed between 1808 and 1812 to support a forward battery and is surrounded by a brick lined dry moat which survives. The tower is currently in use as a holiday rental.	The tower is situated in a very isolated position in an area of former marshland. The tower sits close to the beachfront but is separated from it by two large lagoons on the seaward side. The tower is accessed via a farm track which leads from beach lane to the tower. The Suffolk Coastal path runs close to the tower on the seaward side, but on the north east and southern sides it is surrounded by agricultural fields.	The Martello Tower has architectural interest as a well-preserved example of a military defence of this type. Due to its conversion, it is unlikely to have much architectural interest internally. The Martello Tower has historic interest as it was built as part of a chain of defences in response to a specific threat. It also has some group value with the three other Martello Towers that are visible from here. This allows the appreciation of the towers as a chain	The proposed WTGs will lie over 45km from the asset. The setting of the asset is considered to contribute to its significance as this aids the understanding of the defensive function and historic interests of the asset. However, the introduction of WTGs at such a distance will not affect the ways in which the historic interest of the asset is appreciated or understood. The extensive nature of the	Out



		Distance from closest point of Array				Rationale (including	
Asset	Designation	Area	Description	Setting	Significance	observations)	In/Out
					which is not as easy in other parts of the coastline.	views available from this asset, including long distance views to sea, will still be appreciable and will not be blocked or inhibited by the VE WTG, which will sit behind existing arrays. The presence of the WTGs at over 45km will not lead to a reduction in the overall significance of the asset. The group value and architectural interests of the asset	
						will be unaffected.	
Martello Tower at Rose Cottage, Bawdsey	Grade II, SM	46km	Martello tower situated to the north of Bawdsey, built between 1808-1812. The tower is surrounded by a dry moat which still survives as a slight earthwork. The tower was converted into a	The asset lies within an isolated position very close to the shoreline. Modern sea defences have been constructed close to the tower and much of the plot surrounding the tower has been lost to the sea. To the north of the tower are two residential properties and a public car park which serves the coastal path and the East Lane	The Martello Tower is significant for its architectural interest as a well preserved example of Military architecture built to defend the coast. It has group value with the Martello Towers at Shingle Street, Buckanay Farm, Bawdsey Beach. The group of preserved towers allow the towers to be appreciated as a	The VE array would introduce additional WTGs at a distance of over 46km from the tower which would sit behind the existing WTGs (Galloper and Greater Gabbard). As the existing WTGs were only just perceptible over such a long distance it is not considered that the	Out- included for further assessment in Section 5.1 below.



		Distance from closest point of Array				Rationale (including	
Asset	Designation	Area	Description	Setting	Significance	observations)	In/Out
			residential property in the 1980s.	Battery. Agricultural land lies to the west and south west.	group and illustrate the intensity of the coastal defences in this area. This tower also has a relationship with the WWII East Lane battery situated to the north. The tower has historic interest due as an example of a defensive tower built as a response to the Napoleonic threat. The setting of the asset contributes to the historic interest of the asset through the appreciation of its defensive position as part of a chain of defences to identify and defeat an approaching enemy.	addition of the VE WTGs will bring about a perceptible change to the wider setting of the asset. Sea views have been identified as being important to the asset however, and as these are still available (and not in any way blocked) the additional WTGs are not considered to change the setting in such a way as to reduce the significance of the asset by affecting either the architectural interest (which will be entirely unaffected by the WTGs) or the historic interest.	
			The Bawdsey	The Bawdsey manor	The assets associated	The proposed WTGs	
	Grade II RPG, 2 Grade II*, 8 Grade II		Manor Group consist of a group of assets within the RPG. The RPG covers the gardens	estate is at the mouth of the River Debden, south of the village of Bawdsey. The manor is located at the estuary so has the	with the manor have historic interest due to their connections to Quilter the local MP for Sudbury who built the	will lie at a distance of over 48km from the coast at Bawdsey and the proposed WTGs will sit behind the	Out- included for further assessment
Bawdsey	Listed	4.91/m	associated with the	river to the west and the	manor as a holiday	existing arrays	in Section
Manor Group	Buildings	48km	former manor	sea to the east. The	home. Historic interest is	(Galloper and Greater	5.2 below.

		Distance from closest point of Array				Rationale (including	
Asset	Designation	Area	Description	Setting	Significance	observations)	In/Out
			house. A number of listed structures are associated with the garden design, such as walled garden, terrace and tea house. The garden also respects to former outline of a Martello Tower. The manor estate was developed as the first radar station in the world in 1937. As this was then thought to be a target during WWII a number of additional defences such as gun emplacements were constructed	position of the manor at the peninsular between the river and sea give it a sense of relative isolation particularly as it is located away from the village. There is a quay at Bawdsey and a few houses close to the waterfront to the west. Mature tree planting at the western edge of the grounds create a sense of seclusion within the formal garden to the west of the manor. Views to the south of the manor are open towards the sea and the siting of the house would have been deliberately placed to take advantage of these views and make use of the slight elevation of the cliff	also derived from the numerous architects and landscape gardeners who were employed to design and redesign the estate and the grounds. The asset group has a diverse range of listed structures which have architectural interest and have survived well. The group also has historic interest due to its use as RAF Bawdsey in the 20 <sup>th</sup> century. The coastal position of the assets contribute to the historic interests of the assets enabling the understanding of this place for both the defence of Britain and as somewhere that itself needed defending as a potential target.	Gabbard). Viewpoint C was taken from the beach at Bawdsey Manor and shows that the existing arrays are not visible in the photograph however the wireline shows some potential visibility with the top of the WTGs. Should the tops of the WTGs become visible in the clearest of conditions behind the existing arrays, the introduction of the WTGs is not considered to affect the significance of the assets at Bawdsey Manor. The presence of the WTGs will not reduce the contribution made by setting to the significance of the assets nor will this affect the historic or architectural interest of the assets which will be preserved	



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A0001	Designation	Allu			Ciginicanoc	The proposed WTGs	in/out
						would introduce	
						additional WTGs at a	
			The Martello Tower			distance of over 49km	
			at Woodbridge			from the tower which	
			Haven lies within a		The Martin Transition	would sit behind the	
			golf course. The		The Martello Tower has	existing WTGs	
			tower was built between 1808 and		architectural interest as a	(Galloper and Greater Gabbard). As the	
			1812 to support a		well-preserved example of a military defence of	existing WTGs were	
			forward battery. In		this type. As this tower	only just perceptible	
			1880 the tower was		has not seen any	over such a long	
			taken over by the		substantial conversion it	distance it is not	
			golf course and the		is likely to have retained	considered that the	
			tower was used as		some architectural	addition of the VE	
			a club house until		interest internally. The	WTGs will bring about	
			1884. The tower		Martello Tower has	a perceptible change	
			and golf course		historic interest as it was	to the wider setting of	
			were		built as part of a chain of	the asset. Sea views	
			commandeered	The tower lies in a	defences in response to	have been identified	
			during WWI and	relatively isolated position	a specific threat. It also	as being important to	
			the course used as	within the golf course. A	has some group value	the asset however,	
			a rifle range. In	small area of	with the Martello Tower	and as these are still	
			WWII both the golf	settlement/development	located to the north at	available and not in	
Martello	_		course and tower	lies 500m to the north	Felixstowe Ferry and	any way blocked, the	
Tower on gol	f		were used for	around the quay for the	other towers in the wider	additional WTGs are	
course			defensive	Felixstowe Ferry. Another	area. This allows the	not considered to	
adjoining	Grade II		purposes. The	Martello tower is located	appreciation of the	change the setting in	
Woodbridge	(1030405)		tower is currently	here. The tower lies close	towers as a chain which	such a way as to	
Haven,	and SM	401	used for storage by	to the beachfront and the	is not as easy in other	reduce the	0.1
Felixstowe	(1006036)	49km	the golf course	coastal path.	parts of the coastline.	significance of the	Out



Arest	Designation	Distance from closest point of Array	Description	Catting	Cinnificance	Rationale (including	In /Out
Asset	Designation	Area	Description	Setting	Significance	observations) asset by affecting	In/Out
						either the architectural	
						interest (which will be	
						entirely unaffected by	
						the WTGs) or the	
						historic interest.	
			The East Lane	The battery lies adjacent to	The battery and the	All of the surviving	
			battery was built as	the sea wall at the end of a	pillbox are non-	WWI and WWII	
			an emergency	track. Public parking is	designated assets, both	structures at East	
			coastal defence	available adjacent to the	of these have historic	Lane relied on views	
			battery in 1942.	battery to serve the Suffolk	interest in their	out to sea for	
			The battery	Coastal path. Whilst many	connections to the	defensive purposes.	
			consists of two	of the WWII pillboxes and	defence of Britain in	These were aided by	
			separate gun	the searchlight	WWI (pillbox) and WWI	searchlights and	
			emplacements with	emplacements have been lost to the sea, the	(battery). The presence of the nearby Martello	additional pillboxes on the beach front and	
			a partially buried central shelter and	observation post and WWI	towers and WWI and	gun emplacements on	
			two magazines per	pillboxes form the setting	WWII defences highlight	the marshes. The	
			gun. Each gun also	of the battery and each	the importance of this	primary purpose was	
			had two	other. The wider	section of coastline in	to defend against	
			searchlights and	surroundings consist of the	terms of the concern	enemy shipping, to	
			the whole structure	coastline north and south,	from the threat of	engage hostile vessels	
			was defensible by	the sea to the east and the	invasion. The structures	and destroy the	
	Non-		gun loops. The	flat coastal area to the	have some architectural	contents of beached	
	designated		observation post	west. The battery is	interest as examples of	craft. Whilst sea views	
East Lane	battery and		has a basement	relatively isolated aside	military engineering and	are important to this	
Gun Battery	Grade II		level, ground floor	from the Martello Towers	both of these structures	asset, the introduction	
at Bawdsey	listed		and two floors	to the north and south	survive well. The	of the array at 46km	
and	observation		above with an	along this coastline, which	observation post is a	behind existing	
Observation	tower	401	armoured steel	are visible from it. The	designated asset with	turbines of the	
Tower	(1389463)	46km	roof. A circular	battery itself is low lying	both architectural and	Galloper and Greater	Out



Asset	Designation	Distance from closest point of Array Area	Description	Setting	Significance	Rationale (including observations)	In/Out
			WWI pillbox lies to the south of the tower.	and sunk below the level of the sea wall.	historic interest for the reasons described above. It is also considered to be one of the best preserved examples of its kind.	Gabbard Arrays, is not considered to harm the ways in which these assets are appreciated and experienced. The presence of WTG's at a distance of 46km will not detract from the understanding of the military architecture and historic interest in the defence of this coastline in WWI and WWII.	
Felixstowe Coastal Asset Group	2 CA, 3 SM. Grade II RPG, 1 Grade II*, 4 Grade II LBs	50km	This coastal asset group comprises the Felixstowe and Felixstowe South CAs. The northern CA covers the seaside and spa town which developed in the 19th and early 20th centuries. The Felixstowe south CA covers the earliest and central part of the new resort town. The	The setting of the Martello Towers includes their sea views and their coastal position. Both of these are intrinsic to their original defensive purpose, allowing views of an approaching enemy. Cranmer House is located in a cliffside position overlooking the sea ( <b>Plate</b> <b>16</b> ). The house was positioned here to provide uninterrupted views out to sea from its principal elevation.	The Martello Towers draw their significance from their historic and architectural interests. The setting of the assets contributes to their significance as their coastal position and being able to see enemies approaching would have been key in the design and function of the towers. The significance of Cranmer House is informed principally by its	Felixstowe is an attractive traditional coastal resort with large houses with sea views, a pier, attractive sea front gardens, a numerous colourful beach huts. The Greater Gabbard and Galloper Windfarms could be seen very faintly in the distance from Felixstowe in clear conditions. However, the proposed array will lie	Out

		Distance from closest point of Array				Rationale (including	
Asset	Designation	Area	Description coastal assets included comprise 4 Martello Towers (only 1 of which is within the CA), Cranmer House which is situated at the sea front, and the Grade II Seafront and Town Hall Gardens.	Setting The sea front gardens are publicly accessible gardens laid out in a formal arrangement. The gardens were planned as part of the leisure facilities of Felixstowe and as such their sea front position was key to attracting visitors (Plate 17).	Significance architectural interests with the sea front setting forming a principal consideration in its siting and design. The sea front gardens are significant for their architectural interests in terms of the layout and design and their historic interest in terms of the role they played in the development of the town as a seaside resort. The setting of the gardens contributes to both of these interests through their prominent position on the sea front and accessibility to visitors.	observations) to the east, behind the existing turbines. Although there will be an increase in height of the proposed array when compared to the existing, this will reduce over distance. The introduction of the proposed array is not expected to affect the way in which the assets at the sea front are experienced and appreciated. At a distance of 50km from the seafront the WTGs are not expected to harm the significance of the assets through this addition within their setting.	In/Out
Landguard Fort	Grade I and SM	53km	Landguard Fort represents a record of the changing coastal defence requirements between 18th and 20th centuries. It originated as a bastioned fort	The setting of the fort is comprised of its coastal position due to its function as part of the coastal defence of the harbour and the dockyard along with other fortifications on the Orwell and Stour Estuaries. The fort would	The significance of the fort is drawn from its archaeological and historic interest as a well- preserved example of a fort that has been adapted since its construction for the changing military	The fort currently has limited views due to health and safety constraints relating to the visitor experience from inside the fort. Although some limited views of the harbour	Out (of the ES) but included for more detailed assessment below.

	Designed	Distance from closest point of Array	Brandation	0	0	Rationale (including	In/Out
Asset	Designation	Area	Description constructed in the 1740s. Extensive alterations were carried out in the 1870s adopting some of the principles of the Royal Commission Forts. Extensive and varied coastal defence works were constructed around WWII.	Setting have been designed with views of the sea and the harbour in mind for defensive purposes ( <b>Plate</b> 18).	Significance defence of the harbour and dockyard. Remains of earlier phases of the fort and defences will survive within the scheduled area below and at ground level. The monument also draws some of its significance from its setting as this was a large factor in the form, design and function of the asset with its position on the peninsula a key aspect of its effectiveness in being able to see an approaching enemy fleet.	observations) could be observed from some of the southern windows of the Fort. The scheduling also includes other platforms and earthworks relating to former buildings and batteries on the peninsula. The Greater Gabbard and Galloper Turbines were not visible when looking east from the peninsula during the site visit and are not visible on the wireline from the southern tip of the peninsula (VP D; VP D Wireline) or from wireline prepared from the height of the Right Battery earthworks (Volume 6, Part 6, Annex 7.10; Figure 7.18a-d).	
Mistley Towers	2 Grade I LB, SM	69km	Two remaining towers of the former Mistley Thorn Church built	The immediate setting of the assets is the churchyard within which the towers sit and the	The significance of the towers is derived from their architectural, historic and	The towers sit at a crossroads and are prominent features within the immediate	Out

		Distance from closest point of Array				Rationale (including	
Asset	Designation	Area	Description in 1735 with the	Setting residential area to the	Significance archaeological interests	observations) landscape. To the	In/Out
			towers added in 1777. The main body of the church was demolished in 1870 when a new church was built nearby.	south including the replacement church. The wider setting of the church includes the industrial area to the north and the estuary of the River Stour.	which are connected with the former church at this site. The immediate setting also makes a contribution as it is within this area that the towers can be best appreciated and understood in relation to the replacement church. The wider setting does make some contribution as it is thought that the towers were kept standing as a seamark for navigation but this relates to the estuary rather than the coast.	south of the towers the area has a residential feel situated at the edge of a settlement. However immediately to the north is an industrial area with warehouse buildings. Whilst the towers have a connection to the estuary of the River Stour located to the north, they do not have a direct connection to the sea, nor any sea views.	
			The earliest assets at HMS Ganges	The assets are situated at the edge of the Shotley	The assets are significant for their	The setting of the assets is considered to	
			are the two Martello Towers	peninsula close to the settlement at Shotley	historic and architectural interest. The historic	make an important contribution to the	
			which were built	Gate. The peninsula lies at	interest stems from the	assets, although this is	
			between 1808-	the confluence of the	purpose of the assets as	not directly connected	
			1812. This was	Rivers Stour and Orwell,	part of the coastal	to views out to sea.	
HMS	2 SM2 F		followed by Shotley	east of Harwich and	defences during the 19 <sup>th</sup>	The defensive assets	
Ganges,	3 SM's, 5 Grade II		Battery which was constructed in the	Felixstowe. To the west of the assets is the Shotley	century and the later use of the area for the naval	were positioned here to stop an enemy	
Asset Group,	Listed		1860s after a	Yacht Club. Much of the	training ground. The	advancing any further	
Shotley	Buildings	56km	review of coastal	area of the former training	surviving structures have	inland. Defences at	Out

		Distance from closest point of Array				Rationale (including	
Asset	Designation	Area	Description defences and a	Setting	Significance some architectural	observations) Harwich and	In/Out
			renewed threat of invasion from France. The HMS Ganges Royal Naval Training Establishment was opened in 1905 named after HMS Ganges which was moored at Shotley. One of the listed structures includes the ceremonial mast of HMS Shotley.	ground consists of grassed areas, vegetation and scrub.	interest for their survival original features. The setting of the assets at the confluence of the two Rivers is an important part of the significance of the assets. This location would have been a strategic position and crucial for the defence of areas further upstream. This location at the meeting point of these rivers would have been a crucial point to stop an enemy advancing any further upstream. The assets here also have some connection to those at Harwich and Felixstowe as this would have been the first line of	Felixstowe were positioned to defend the coastal approaches. As such long distance views out to sea are not an important contribution to the significance of the assets. The proposed WTGs at a distance of 56km will not affect the ways in which the historic and architectural interests of the assets are appreciated and understood and there is not expected to be any harm to their significance.	
					defence from an enemy advancing by sea.		
			The Harwich Conservation Area covers the central	The lighthouses and travelling crane have a setting which includes	The significance of the lighthouses is drawn from their architectural	Views from the northern section of Harwich looking east	Out (of the ES) but
Harwich	6 SMs, 3		area of town of	positions close to the sea	and historic interests.	are interrupted by the	High
Coastal Asset group (north)	Grade II*, 1 Grade II	55km	Harwich which grew up around the	front and in the case of the lighthouses rely on an	The setting of the assets contribute to these	southern peninsula of Felixstowe. Due to	Lighthouse considered



Asset	Designation	Distance from closest point of Array Area	Description	Setting	Significance	Rationale (including observations)	In/Out
			harbour. Due to the number of highly graded assets within the Harwich	intervisibility with ships out to sea. The crane does not rely on views but does have a functional	interests as the position, design and form of the lighthouses would have been informed by their	distance from the existing array at Greater Gabbard the turbines were not	further below.
			Coastal Asset Group these have been separated into three groups	relationship with its sea front position.	suitability as a navigational landmark	visible in clear conditions (SLVIA VP E). The VEWTGs proposed would sit	
			below. The High Lighthouse and low			behind the existing WTGs at a distance of 55km (although will be	
			lighthouse are both Grade II* listed buildings and Scheduled			greater in height; SLVIAVP E Wireline). It is not anticipated that the introduction of	
			Monuments ( <b>Plates 20-22</b> ). The Travelling Crane is also a			the WTGs would affect the ways in which the significance of the lighthouses are	
			Grade II* and SM and are considered here.			understood as navigational landmarks. A wireline	
						has been prepared from the approximate height of the High	
						Lighthouse to demonstrate this point (Volume 6, Part 6, Annex 7.10; Figure	
						7.17a-d).Similarly, the historic interests of the	



Asset	Designation	Distance from closest point of Array Area	Description	Setting	Significance	Rationale (including observations)	In/Out
710001	Deelghation	71104		Cotting	orginitourioo	travelling crane would	in out
						not be diminished by	
						the presence of the	
						WTGs at a distance of	
						55km.	
			The Harwich	The redoubt is situated on		The primary important	
			redoubt lies upon a	a high point in the	The significance of the	views from these	
			high point on the	landscape which would	redoubt is derived from	assets are across the	
			outskirts of the	have allowed greater	its military architectural	harbour mouth	
			town centre. The	views out to sea, along the	interest designed as a	between Harwich and	
			redoubt is encircled	coastline and of the	defensive structure by	Felixstowe and across	
			by a high hedge	surrounding area for	the Royal Engineers in	to Landguard Fort.	
			and as such views	defensive purposes. The	the early 1800s. The	Views further out to	
			to and from the	redoubt formed part of a	historic interest which	sea to the east and	
			redoubt are	defensive chain with the	also contributes to	north are partially	
			currently very	Martello Towers along this	significance is derived	obscured by	
			restricted. The	coastline. In addition,	from its construction as	Felixstowe and its	
			Beacon Hill Fort is	when combined with	part of the defences of	southern peninsula.	
			a late 19 <sup>th</sup> and 20 <sup>th</sup>	Landguard Fort at	this coastline from the	The WTGs are	
			century coastal	Felixstowe, the two could	Napoleonic threat of	proposed 53km to the	
			fortification which	achieve crossfire over the	attack or invasion. The	east of the assets. The	
			lies to the south of	approach to the harbour.	setting of the asset	presence of the WTGs	
			Harwich on a	The setting of Beacon Hill	makes an important	within the array area	
11			promontory which	Fort is comprised of its	contribution to its	would not affect these	
Harwich			overlooks the	position on the promontory	significance as this is	views, or the	
coastal asset			harbour mouth.	and its coastal position. Its	where its connection with	relationship of the	
group			The fort lies on the	setting would have been	the surrounding	asset to other	
(Harwich			site of an earlier	an important part of its	defensive structures and	defensive structures	
Redoubt and			Tudor Blockhouse	siting to allow views out to	its role in the defence of	along the coastline.	
Beacon Hill		E Olymp	and Napoleonic	sea for early defence of an	the harbour can be	The addition of the	0t
Fort)	2 SM, 1 GII*	53km	battery.	approaching enemy.	realised.	WTGs within the	Out

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Accet	Designation	Distance from closest point of Array	Description	Setting	Significance	Rationale (including	In (Quit
Asset	Designation	Area	Description	Setting	Significance The significance of	observations) surroundings of the	In/Out
					Beacon Hill Fort is	assets would not affect	
					derived from its	the way in which the	
					architectural interest as a	assets are understood	
					military structure. Its	in their role as part of	
					evolved from earlier	military defence. The	
					defensive structures	interests which make	
					some of which have	up the significance of	
					been lost to the sea or they survive as buried	the assets are not considered to be	
					remains. The 19 <sup>th</sup>	affected by the WTGs	
					century fabric of the fort	at 53km distance. In	
					survives well. The Fort	addition, from Harwich	
					has historic interest due	the proposed array	
					to its position for the	would sit behind the	
					defence of this coastline	existing arrays at	
					from the Tudor period	Greater Gabbard and	
					until WWII. It has archaeological interest	Galloper (although greater in height VPD;'	
					for the buried remains of	VPD Wireline).	
					earlier fortifications. The		
					setting is important to the		
					way that the asset is		
					understood in its role to		
					defend the harbour and		
					its connection to the		
					other defensive		
					structures along this coastline.		



Asset	Designation	Distance from closest point of Array Area	Description	Setting	Significance	Rationale (including observations)	In/Out
Harwich Coastal Asset Group (Dovercourt Lighthouses and			The monument consists of two iron framed lighthouses connected by a stone causeway ( <b>Plate 22</b> ). The lighthouses were built in 1862/3 to guide ships towards Harwich	The setting of the assets is comprised of the coastal environment in particular the mouth of the harbour at Harwich, as the lighthouses were intended to guide ships towards Harwich harbour. The primary purpose of the lighthouses was to be seen by approaching ships so views from the sea toward the lighthouses are an important part of its	The significance of the assets is derived from their architectural and historic interests. The lighthouses are thought to be a unique example of this type of prefabricated structure and represent technological advances in lighthouse design and construction and mark a milestone in the history of lighthouse design. Due to the uniqueness of the design the lighthouses are a landmark of the Harwich	The WTGs at Galloper and Greater Gabbard were not visible on a clear day 54km to the east of the lighthouse (VPD). Whilst the setting of the asset does make some contribution to significance in terms of the purpose and use of the asset it is the architectural and historic interests which form a greater part of the significance. The WTGs are not expected to affect the way in which the asset is understood in relation to its importance to the harbour, nor its architectural of historic interests which it is	
Causeway)	SM	54km	harbour.	setting.	coastline	significant for.	Out
			Little Oakley is a small ribbon	The setting of most of the assets are limited to their	The significance of the listed buildings are	The assets are situated within a small	
	1 SM, 1 GII*		settlement which	immediate surroundings	largely derived from their	quiet settlement close	
	LB and six		contains 5 grade II	with the exception of the	architectural interest.	to the coast. The	
Little Oakley	GII LBs	58km	listed buildings	anti-aircraft gun site which	Whilst they may derive	village is surrounded	Out

		Distance from closest point of Array				Rationale (including	
Asset	Designation	Area	Description	Setting	Significance	observations)	In/Out
			comprising cottages, houses, a farmhouse and a telephone kiosk and St Marys House (GII*). A scheduled Heavy Anti-Aircraft Gun site lies off of the main road through the village. To the south east of the village the land is flat and has views towards the sea and is approximately 2km from the coast	has a wider setting relating to its defensive purpose.	some of their significance from their rural surroundings the proximity to the coast is considered to be incidental rather than something that contributes to significance. The heavy anti-aircraft gun site derives much of its significance from its archaeological and architectural interest as a rare survival of this type. Due to the function of the gun site for defence, it is considered to have quite a wide setting including the surrounding rural landscape and its position relatively close to the coast which contributes to its historic interests relating to WWII.	by fields however an extension to the residential area lies off of Rectory Road to the north and further settlement lies nearby at Dovercourt. The scheduled anti-aircraft gun site does rely on its setting for part of its historic interest relating to its defensive position. However, due to their inland location the presence of WTGs 58km out to sea would not affect the understanding of the guns and their protecting of an approaching enemy from the continent by air. As such their significance is unaffected.	
Walton Coastal Asset Group	1 Scheduled Monument, 4 Grade II LBs	55km	A single CA covers the seafronts at Frinton and Walton. Within this asset group are the	The navigation tower at Walton Hall and the Old Lifeboat House are both located to the north of the conservation area and	The significance of the navigation tower at Walton Hall is derived from its architectural and historic interests with	The existing turbines at Gunfleet Sands windfarm were visible from within the conservation area and	Out

		Distance from closest point of					
		Array				Rationale (including	
Asset	Designation	Area	Description	Setting	Significance	observations)	In/Out
			navigation tower at	have maritime	some contribution made	from the listed	
			Walton Hall, the	associations. The purpose	by its maritime	buildings when looking	
			Old lifeboat house,	of the navigation tower	connections and views	out to sea. From	
			residential	was to be viewed from the	out to the coastline. The	Walton turbines at the	
			properties, 40-44	sea to aid ships in avoiding	significance of the	Galloper and Greater	
			The Parade, and	the sandbanks around the	lifeboat house is derived	Gabbard were faintly	
			Gunfleet and the	Walton coast. In contrast it	from its architectural	visible in the distance	
			scheduled Martello	was views from the lifeboat	interests as an example	in the clearest	
			Tower K and	house looking out to sea	of a building which is	conditions (VP13). The	
			battery. The	which are important to its	usually utilitarian in	presence of the WTGs	
			Martello tower was	function.	design being afforded	at a distance of 55km	
			positioned to	The residential properties	architectural detailing. Its	behind the Greater	
			defend the	of Gunfleet and The	historic interest relates to	Gabbard and Galloper	
			settlement at	Parade were designed to	the fund raising by the	turbines is not	
			Walton and to	take advantage of the sea	local community to pay	expected to affect the	
			command the	views. The Martello Tower	for the building and the	ways in which the	
			landing places and	and Battery are set back	role that the lifeboat	architectural and	
			safety of the	from the coastline	played in saving lives at	historic interests of the	
			harbour. It was	(approximately 550m	sea. In addition, a small	assets are	
			constructed to	inland). Whilst it was	part of the significance is	experienced or	
			have views over	originally constructed to	drawn from its setting.	appreciated (VP13	
			the lower lying	defend the town, since the	Gunfleet and The Parade	Wireline).	
			ground at Walton	19 <sup>th</sup> century modern	are predominantly	Due to the diminished	
			and longer	development has	significant for their	contribution that the	
			distance views out	surrounded the Martello	architectural details and	setting makes to the	
			to sea.	Tower and as such its	their historic interest as	significance of the	
				setting has changed over	part of the development	Martello tower, and the	
				time and is slightly less	of Walton as a seaside	distance at which at	
				prominent within the	retreat. The sea views	WTGs will be	
				landscape due to the	contribute to the	positioned (over 55km	
				surrounding development.	architectural interest with	away and behind the	



• •		Distance from closest point of Array		• "		Rationale (including	
Asset	Designation	Area	Description	Setting	Significance the design taking	observations)	In/Out
				Its former prominence and long distance views out to	the design taking advantage of these	existing arrays) it is not anticipated that the	
				sea are not as readily	views.	significance of the	
				appreciable as they once	The Martello Tower and	asset will be harmed	
				would have been.	Battery are significant for	by the proposals.	
					their historic,		
					archaeological and		
					architectural interests.		
					The contribution of the		
					setting to the significance of the asset has been		
					diminished by the growth		
					of the town at Walton		
					with modern		
					development		
					surrounding the tower on		
					three sides. Despite lying		
					on a slightly higher area		
					of ground it is likely that		
					the views across the town and out to sea will		
					have been comprised by		
					the two storey		
					developments within		
					Walton.		



Asset	Designation	Distance from closest point of Array Area	Description	Setting	Significance	Rationale (including observations)	In/Out
						The existing turbines	
						at Greater Gabbard	
						and Galloper were	
						very faintly visible in	
						the distance from	
						Naze Tower ( <b>Plate</b>	
						<b>24</b> ); VP 12). The	
						majority proposed	
						WTGs will sit behind	
						these turbines when	
						looking east from	
						Walton, albeit with an	
						increase in height	
					The significance of the	however the tower is	
					asset is derived from its	positioned opposite	
					architectural and historic	the gap between the	
			The tower was built	The setting of the asset	interests relating to its	two array areas and as	
			as a navigation	comprises its immediate	age, design and	such some of the	
			mark for ships	surroundings within a	architectural details. It is	northern WTGs in the	
			travelling in and out	relatively isolated position	within the setting of the	southern area may be	
			of the port of	compared to the seaside	asset that its historic and	visible when look	
			Harwich in 1720	resort to the south. Its	architectural interests	south east due to the	
			(Plate 25). During	wider setting is comprised	can be appreciated. Its	angle of the array	
			the threat of	of its coastal position as a	wider setting also	(VP12 Wireline). An	
			Napoleonic	navigation point and wider	contributes to its historic	additional wireline has	
			invasion, it was	sea views in particular to	interests in terms of its	been prepared to	
			used as a lookout	the port of Harwich located	purpose as a defensive	show the proposed	
Walton			post and beacon	7km to the north which	structure and its	WTGs from the height	
Coastal Asset			and became a	was a consideration in its	relationship to other	of the top of the Naze	
Group (Naze	<b>.</b>		radar tower during	original design and	defensive structures	Tower (Volume 6, Part	In
Tower)	Grade II* LB	53km	WWII	function.	along this coastline.	6, Annex 7.10; Figure	1165806



Asset	Designation	Distance from closest point of Array Area	Description	Setting	Significance	Rationale (including observations) 7.16a-d).The	In/Out
						introduction of the proposed WTGs has	
						the potential to be	
						faintly visible within	
						long distance views	
						from the tower and as such as been included	
						for further	
						assessment.	
			The CA covers the sea front including the pier. The seafront Gardens are a Grade II RPG. One Scheduled and listed Martello tower lies at the south western extent of the conservation area with another two	The setting of the sea front gardens is comprised of its surroundings along the pedestrianised seafront promenade. The gardens are an extension of the leisure facilities along the pier and further north along the promenade ( <b>Plates 27-28</b> ). The setting of the Martello towers are comprised of	The significance of the gardens is principally derived from their architectural/artistic interest based upon the formal design and ornate street furniture. The gardens also have some historic interest due to their age. The coastal setting was a feature in the design of the garden and does contribute to its significance. The Martello towers have	The existing array at Gunfleet Sands was visible from the Conservation Area, with the London Array very faint in the distance. The southern extent of Greater Gabbard and Galloper arrays were also very faintly visible in clear conditions at a distance of 61km (VPB; VPB Wireline). The setting of the	Out (of the ES) but Clacton Martello
	CA, 1 Grade		located to the	their coastal position with	some architectural and	assets are not	Towers
Clacton On Sea Coastal	II RPG, 3 SM, 3 Grade		south of the conservation area	views out to sea for defensive purposes ( <b>Plate</b>	historic significance but also derives part of its	expected to be affected by the	considered further
Asset Group	II LB	61km	along the coast.	<b>26</b> ).	significance from its	introduction of	below.



Assot	Designation	Distance from closest point of Array Aroa	Description	Setting	Significance	Rationale (including observations)	In/Out
Asset	Designation	Area	Description	Setting	coastal setting ( <b>Plate 29</b> ).	additional turbines behind the Greater Gabbard and Galloper Windfarms. These assets do draw some of their significance from their seaside location or coastal views this is not considered to extend 61km to the array area.	In/Out
St Osyths Priory Clacton	Grade II RPG, SM, 3 Grade I, 3 Grade II*, 9 Grade II, CA	67km	St Osyths Priory is the house of the Augustinian Canons founded in the 12thC which also includes the remains of a post dissolution mansion built in 1553. The priory area and mansion are scheduled. The remaining parts of the priory buildings and mansion buildings are listed Grades I, II* and II. Whilst the priory is close to Flag Creek	The priory sits at the edge of the historic village of St Osyths, with a historic core along Colchester and spring roads adjacent to the edge of the RPG. On the northern and western sides of the RPG are field, with marshland and a creek beyond. The immediate setting of the priory is confined to its grounds to the extent of the RPG. Its wider setting is comprised of the historic village and the marshy and agricultural surroundings.	The significance of the Priory is derived mainly from the archaeological and architectural interests of both the upstanding and buried elements of the priory buildings and the later mansion. The priory does have some historic value relating to the Augustinian Cannons, the dissolution of the monastery and Lord Darcy who built the subsequent mansion. Both the immediate and wider settings of the assets make a	St Osyths Priory lies at the edge of the historic village of St Osyth. At the time of the Site visit works were taking place within the priory and some of the buildings had scaffolding. No sea views were visible from ground level at the priory and there was no sense of any coastal connection.	Out



	Designation	Distance from closest point of Array	Description	Catting	Ciamificance	Rationale (including	hr/Out
Asset	Designation	Area	Description and St Osyth	Setting	Significance contribution of their	observations)	In/Out
			Creek, there is no		significance. From within		
			relationship with		the immediate setting the		
			the sea nor any		assets can be best		
			sea views.		appreciated and their		
					group value is also		
					evident. Whilst the wider		
					surroundings have changed over time within		
					the village. The historic		
					character and		
					relationship with the		
					priory can still be		
					recognised.		
			Demosius of the		The significance of the	The timber posts were	
			Remains of the Weir are visible at		asset is predominantly derived from its	visible at low tide and only a short walk from	
			low tide, as timber		archaeological interest	the earthworks	
			posts within the		as a rare, well-preserved	associated with the	
			inter-tidal zone.		example of a monument	monastery. The	
			Saxon fish weirs		of this type. Due to the	monument is	
			were frequently		preservation of the	submerged at high	
			associated with	The setting of the asset is	timbers much can be	tides. The monument	
			large manor	comprised of its immediate	learnt about the date of	has an obvious coastal	
			houses or religious houses and in this	coastal surroundings in the inter-tidal zone. Its wider	the weir and the lives of	connection and a connection to the	
Saxon			case gives an	setting includes the	those at the monastery. It also has some historic	remains of the	
Coastal Fish			insight into	remains of the monastery	interest due to its	monastery on land	
Weir at Sales			monasterial life.	to which it has a functional	mention in the	however this is limited	
Point, Dengie			References to fish	and associative	Domesday Book and	to the coastal and	
Peninsula	SM	76km	weirs at Blackwater	connection.	also the history of the	inter-tidal area	Out



Asset	Designation	Distance from closest point of Array	Description	Setting	Significance	Rationale (including observations)	In/Out
Assel	Designation	Area	are known from the Domesday Book.	Setting	Significancemonastery. The weirdraws some of itssignificance from itssetting but this isconsidered to be limitedto the remains of themonastery on shore in afunctional andassociative capacity.Long distance views outto sea are notconsidered to form partof the significance of themonument and do notcontribute to theunderstanding of themonument.	between the monastery and the fish weir. As long distance views out to sea do not contribute to the ways in which the archaeological and historic interests of the assets are understood or appreciated, this asset has been excluded from any further assessment.	In/Out
Saxon Shore Fort and Anglo-Saxon Monastery at Bradwell on Sea	SM	76km	The Saxon Shore Fort was constructed in the 3rdC as a military installation to provide protection against sea-borne Saxon raiders. The Fort survives as earthworks and below ground remains although some of the fort	The setting of the asset is limited due to the fact that this now survives as below ground remains. Historically, when the monastery was extant and in use the coastal setting of the monument would have formed an important part of its setting as the location of the asset was critical to its form and function.	As this monument now survives as below ground remains, its significance is predominantly derived from its archaeological interest. The monument also has some historic interest due to its connections to the roman military and the Saxon monastery. Since the monument survives as earthworks it cannot be	Earthworks could be identified relating to the remains of the Saxon Shore Fort and Saxon Monastery. As the monument is best understood from its immediate surroundings where its archaeological interest can be understood through the above ground earthworks. The wider setting of	Out



Asset	Designation	Distance from closest point of Array Area	Description has been lost to the sea.	Setting	Significance readily appreciated or understood for what it is from within its setting.	Rationale (including observations) the asset is not considered to extend 76km out to sea and	In/Out
						as such its significance cannot be harmed by the proposed WTGs at this distance.	
St Peters Chapel on the Wall,			St Peters Chapel was originally constructed in the 7thC by Bishop Cedd, who founded a monastery on the Site of a Saxon Shore Fort. The chapel was restored in the 19th C and is still in occasional ecclesiastical use. Only the nave of the church remains, it formerly had an apse, north and south porticos and west porch	The setting of the asset is comprised of its position within the Roman Fort and its position at the edge of the Dengie Peninsula. Formerly the chapel would have been part of a much larger monasterial complex which now does not survive above ground. Whilst there are no specific or designed views or windows which face the sea, the coastal position does form part of the wider	The significance of the chapel is principally derived from its historic, architectural and archaeological interests, through the age of the buildings, its connections to Bishop Cedd and the monastery and also through the archaeological evidence for the remainder of the monastery and the Saxon Shore Fort upon which it sits. Whilst some contribution is made from its setting, this is	The chapel lies on top of the earthworks of the Roman Fort in an isolated position at the edge of the Dengie Peninsula. Although visitor access was relatively frequent through the provision of a public car park, track and access to the beach. Onshore Wind turbines lie within the vicinity of the Chapel, approximately 1.4km to the south. Looking out to sea from the chapel the Galloper	
Dengie Peninsula	Grade I	76km	with later tower. Bricks from the	surroundings of the chapel.	outweighed by its other interests.	and Greater Gabbard WTGs were very	Out



Asset	Designation	Distance from closest point of Array Area	Description	Setting	Significance	Rationale (including observations)	In/Out
A0001	Designation	Alcu	earlier Roman Fort	ootting	orginiteariee	faintly visible in the	in#Out
			at this Site were			distance on a clear	
			used in its			day ( <b>Plate 30</b> ).	
			construction				



# 5 DETAILED ASSESSMENT OF SELECTED ASSETS

### 5.1 Introduction

5.1.1 The assessment above in combination with discussions as part of the Evidence Plan and comments received during the Section 42 response have determined that some more detailed narrative assessment is required for selected assets, to justify the exclusion of assessment of effects within the ES Chapter. A narrative assessment following steps 1-4 of the Historic England Guidance is provided below for each of these. Those shown as 'Included' in Table 11 above are subject to detailed assessment within the ES.

### 5.2 Martello Tower at Rose Cottage (1002969)

#### The Asset

5.2.1 Martello tower situated to the north of Bawdsey, built between 1808-1812. The tower is surrounded by a dry moat which still survives as a slight earthwork. The tower was converted into a residential property in the 1980s so is a scheduled monument, rather than listed. The tower was incorporated into the coastal defences during the world wars but any additional defences beyond the tower itself appear to have been lost to coastal erosion. The asset is currently on the heritage at risk register due to the threat of coastal erosion.

#### Setting of the asset

5.2.2 The asset lies within an isolated position very close to the shoreline. Due to coastal erosion in this area modern sea defences have been constructed close to the tower. Much of the plot surrounding the tower has been lost to the sea. To the north of the tower are two residential properties and further north still is a public car park which serves the coastal path and the East Lane Battery, a WWII coastal defence battery and observation post. The remainder of the surroundings of the asset consist of the sea to the west and agricultural land to the west and south west. The tower sits at the end of a point in the land so the coastline and beach also lie to the south of the asset.

### Significance of the asset

- 5.2.3 The asset is significant primarily for its historic interest, Martello towers were constructed in response to a specific threat in the early 19<sup>th</sup> century from Napoleonic invasion. The towers were built along the east coast and the south coast and only 18 of the original 29 are known to survive and as such these are considered to be rare structure. The towers have group value with one another being built around the same time and to very similar designs. The towers link forts, redoubts and other coastal batteries and were constructed as a key part of the defence of Britain.
- 5.2.4 The asset has some architectural interest but this is limited to the external form of the structure. The internal areas have been converted to residential and as such the survival of original features internally is expected to be minimal. However, the tower retains its distinctive circular form, and gun platform at roof level. This asset is part of a group of standing towers along the stretch between Bawdsey and Shingle Street where four of the towers are appreciable from one another (W, Y, Z, AA (X is no longer extant)). This allows some appreciation of the spacing between the towers and their presence along this coastline and emphasizes the level of threat posed by Napoleon.

#### Contribution made by Setting to the Significance of the Asset

5.2.5 The setting of the asset in terms of the relationship between this particular group of surviving towers allows the appreciation of the historic interest of the asset in terms of the spacing and density of the towers and seriousness of the threat posed. The prominence of the



towers when looking north from Rose Cottage highlights the vulnerability of this coastline and remoteness of the towers. Due to the demolition of many of the towers, it is unusual to be able to appreciate the towers from one another or be able to appreciate the spacing of the consecutive towers. In this way the setting makes a contribution to the ways in which we can appreciate the defensive strategy as a whole (albeit not complete).

- 5.2.6 The architectural interests are best appreciated from within the immediate surroundings of the asset where the scale and survival of the external structure can be best appreciated. The associated earthworks are slight and can only be appreciated within close proximity to the asset.
- 5.2.7 The tower was constructed to defend the coastline north of Bawdsey as such views out to sea to identify an approaching enemy would have been an important aspect of the monument. As the tower is in residential use this aspect has become less important but views out to sea are still appreciable from the gun platform and aid the understanding of the defensive position of the guns and the role of the tower as part of a chain of defences.

### Anticipated Effects and Justification

5.2.8 It was identified during the asset site visit that WTG's from the Greater Gabbard/Galloper arrays were visible over a long distance (32km) when looking south and south east from the Martello Tower at Rose Cottage. The VE array would introduce additional WTGs at a distance of over 46km from the tower which would sit behind the existing WTGs. As the existing WTGs were only just perceptible over such a long distance it is not considered that the addition of the VE WTGs will bring about a perceptible change to the wider setting of the asset. Sea views have been identified as being important to the asset however, the additional WTGs are not considered to change the setting in such a way as to reduce the significance of the asset by affecting either the architectural interest (which will be entirely unaffected by the WTGs) or the historic interest. The presence of additional WTGs will not detract from the appreciation of the role that this tower played in the coastal defence of Britain in the early 19<sup>th</sup> century. As such, the introduction of the array is considered to have a negligible effect and has not been scoped into the ES chapter as no significance effects are anticipated.

# 5.3 Bawdsey Manor Group

### The Asset Group

- 5.3.1 The assets at Bawdsey Manor consist of Grade II Registered Park and Garden; Bawdsey Manor (1001465), Grade II\* listed Bawdsey Manor (1284199) and Transmitter Block (1245307) and Grade II listed tea house on the upper terrace (1030774), terrace walls and steps (1183168), walls of walled garden, gateways, orangery and gymnasium (1377189), pulhamite cliff structures (1406805), Gardeners Cottage (1030775), former stable block (1183183) and receiver block (1245202).
- 5.3.2 The Bawdsey estate has two lodged entrances off of ferry road which follow to a tree lined drive through the estate, over a pond and to the manor. The manor house is Grade II\* listed and is a large country manor built of red brick with decorative stone dressings. The manor was built in several stages and incorporates gothic, Elizabethan and Jacobean styles. On the western side of the building is the red tower which has two octagonal turrets and on the eastern side is the white tower which is of a similar height. On the south western side of the manor is a covered loggia which leads to a raised terrace and on the southern side is a raised garden with sea views. The grounds incorporate several listed structures mentioned above and the gardens incorporate a sunken Secret Garden created by Lady Quilter on the site of the demolished Martello tower. This includes tunnels, grottos and decorative planting.



In contrast to the more formal remnants of the manor house and gardens the grounds also contain evidence of its subsequent uses such as the former radar station and museum.

### Setting of the asset

- 5.3.3 The assets are located within the Registered Park and Garden which covers the Bawdsey estate. The estate includes naturalistic elements such as the water meadows in the northern part of the Site and has retained some of the more formal garden areas to the west and immediately east of the manor house. To the north east of the manor are structures and sports facilities associated with the activity centre as well as the historic stable block and gardeners cottage and buildings relating to the use of the Site by the RAF. Further east is the listed receiver block and transmitter block. The manor house is situated upon the highest point in the estate on a slightly elevated cliff above the beach.
- 5.3.4 The Bawdsey manor estate is at the mouth of the River Debden, south of the village of Bawdsey. The manor is located at the estuary so has the river to the west and the sea to the east. The position of the manor at the peninsular between the river and sea give it a sense of relative isolation particularly as it is located away from the village. There is a quay at Bawdsey and a few houses close to the waterfront to the west. Mature tree planting at the western edge of the grounds create a sense of seclusion within the formal garden to the west of the manor. Views to the south of the manor are open towards the sea and the siting of the house would have been deliberately placed to take advantage of these views and make use of the slight elevation of the cliff.

### Significance of the Asset

- 5.3.5 The historic interest of the assets is derived from the historic development of the estate. The area now occupied by Bawdsey Manor was farmland until 1886 when it was sold to the Quilter family who built Bawdsey Manor as a holiday home. The building was originally designed by local architect William Eade but later alterations to both the manor house and the grounds were carried out by Alfred Parsons, Captain Partridge, Charles Tudway and James Pulham. Quilter acquired the title Lord of the Manor of Bawdsey and from 1885-1906 he was MP for Sudbury and was created baronet in 1897. After 1937 the site was sold to the Air Ministry who used the site as research station working on the development of radar. After 1939 the site was used as a training school and radar station up to 1974. It closed for 4 years but was reopened in 1979 as an air defence unit finally closing in 1986. The site was briefly used as a school in the 1990s before being converted into a PGL residential adventure centre.
- 5.3.6 The site also has historic interest due to its connections to the development of Radar. On 24<sup>th</sup> September 1937, RAF Bawdsey became the first fully operational Chain Home Radar station in the world. By the outbreak of WWII chain of radar stations was in place around the coast of Britain but Bawdsey was unique in that it had Coast Defence, Chain Home Low and Chain Home equipment together on site. As such during WWII Bawdsey was identified as a potential target and three Bofors Guns and two anti-aircraft guns were installed. These defences were supplemented by slit trenches, sandbag gun emplacements, concrete gun post and 10 pillboxes.
- 5.3.7 The variety of the structures and the designed landscape of the grounds hold architectural interest. Many of the structures survive well both internally and externally although have been reused for other purposes. The designed landscape surrounding the house has made use of the elevated position of the manor which allowed features such as the terrace to the west of the house and the sunken garden to the east to make use of the natural slope and the earthworks relating to the Martello tower. The sea views from the east of the house would have been an attractive key view from the house to the wider seascape.

# Contribution made by Setting to the Significance of the Asset

- 5.3.8 The setting of the assets within the Registered Park and Garden contributes most to the significance of the asset. It is from within confines of the park and garden that the architectural interests of the buildings and the designed and natural elements of the landscaped grounds can be best appreciated. From within this area the historic development from its use as a former farm, to large manor and finally use as a Radar station can be traced with elements surviving from each stage. Both the historic and architectural interests of the assets can be appreciated and understood from within the registered park and garden and despite some modern alterations and re-use, this is considered to make a contribution to the significance of the assets.
- 5.3.9 The wider landscape including the coastal and estuary makes a smaller contribution to significance. This provides the secluded and rural backdrop for the manor as a holiday home. The sea views have been deliberately taken advantage of in relation to the manor house, although this is only part of its setting, with other contributions made by the remainder of the associated grounds and structures and the other elements of its historic and architectural interests.

### Anticipated Effects and Justification

- 5.3.10 The manor house and registered park and garden draw part of their significance from the sea view which was designed to be taken advantage of from the eastern aspect of the house. Whilst this does make a contribution to the significance of the asset, significance is also drawn from other elements of its surviving designed landscape and associated structures and also the historic and architectural interests of the manor house itself.
- 5.3.11 The proposed WTGs will lie at a distance of over 48km from the coast at Bawdsey and the proposed VE WTGs will sit behind the existing Greater Gabbard and Galloper arrays. Viewpoint C was taken from the beach at Bawdsey Manor and shows that the existing arrays are not visible in the photograph however the wireline shows some potential visibility with the top of the WTGs. Should the tops of the WTGs become visible in the clearest of conditions behind the existing arrays, the introduction of the VE WTGs is not considered to affect the significance of the assets at Bawdsey Manor. The presence of the WTGs will not reduce the contribution made by setting to the significance of the assets nor will this affect the historic or architectural interest of the assets which will be preserved. The partial visibility of additional WTGs within the designed view at over 48km will be incidental and will not change the setting of the asset to such a degree as to harm its overall significance. The manor does not rely on the sea view to such an extent that the introduction of the array at this distance would harm the significance of the asset.
- 5.3.12 As there is considered to be no effect to the significance of the asset through change within its setting, this asset has not been scoped in for any further assessment within the ES Chapter.

### 5.4 Landguard Fort (1018969; 1030415)

### The Asset

5.4.1 Landguard Fort was built in the 18<sup>th</sup> century and was extensively remodelled in the 1870s. The Scheduled area covers the fortress as well as associated remains of batteries and other adjacent fieldworks and installations of varying dates across the peninsula. It is thought that the earlier remains of a 17<sup>th</sup> century battery lie beneath the fort structure. The fort lies to the south of Felixstowe at the end of a shingle spit which projects into the Harwich Harbour. The fortifications here were positioned to project the harbour, dockyard and Orwell and



Stour estuaries in conjunction with fortifications on the opposite side at Harwich. Fortifications on this peninsula are known since 1543.

5.4.2 The Scheduled monument covers a large area of the Landguard Peninsula and the fortress is Grade I Listed.

### Setting of the asset

- 5.4.3 Landguard Fort is situated on a peninsula which extends south of Felixstowe into the Harwich Harbour upon a shingle spit. The scheduling covers a large area of the peninsula which covers the area west and south of viewpoint road. The scheduled area is also a nature reserve with public footpaths. To the north east of the monument is the port at Felixstowe and associated infrastructure as well as industrial areas and a holiday park to the north. The sea surrounds the peninsula on the eastern, southern and western sides.
- 5.4.4 The scheduled area consists of the fortress, car park and museum which area all accessed from Viewpoint Road. To the east is the gate to the nature reserve traversed by footpaths. The nature reserve is a mixture of grass and scrub interspersed with concrete platforms relating to former installations associated with the defence of the fort. At the edges of the peninsula are the shingle beach. Adjacent to fortress are large earthworks the right and left batteries built in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century to house breech loading guns. These are linear earthworks constructed from shingle and sand and are over 8m tall in places. These were reused in WWII. These have become overgrown with trees and vegetation but are still appreciable from the nature reserve. A third battery, Darrell's battery lies to the south east of the fort, built to protect the harbour entrance.

### Significance of the Asset

- 5.4.5 The fort is significant as it represents the changing military defence of the east coast over a period of 200 years. It is an unusually complete record of the changes to military engineering over this time in response to changing threats throughout this time. Its historic interest is derived from the extent of the use of this site for defensive purposes with its earliest defence on the peninsula from 1543. This peninsula has been seen as a key strategic defence point since this time and has been continually protected due to the proximity to the estuaries of the rivers Stour and Orwell and the harbours and docks at Harwich and Felixstowe.
- 5.4.6 The fort has architectural interest as an example of a typical fort of this time, influenced by French design. Its designer is not known but is similar to other examples designed by John Peter Desmaretz. The extensive alterations carried out in the 1870s follow the design principles of the Royal Commission Forts, however the design of the caponier is unique. The fort is an impressive example of military engineering in the third quarter of the 19<sup>th</sup> century and retains many original features.
- 5.4.7 The monument has archaeological interest relating to the occupation and function of the fort between the 17<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries which is in the form of buried remains and earthworks on the peninsula.

### Contribution made by Setting to the Significance of the Asset

5.4.8 The architectural interests of the fortress are best appreciated from within close proximity to the structure itself as both internal and external features survive well and part of its significance is derived from the completeness of the record of changing military engineering. The areas immediately surrounding the fortress also allow the external architectural interest to be appreciated. Due to the large earthwork batteries the fortress itself cannot be readily

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experienced from the remainder of the peninsular to the west and south west. The fortress has a stronger relationship to areas to the south and west of the fortress, towards Darrell's battery and the entrance to Harwich Harbour.

5.4.9 The earthwork batteries have a stronger connection to the seaward side of the peninsula. The batteries were constructed specifically to protect in this direction as the it was identified that the guns within the fort would not have long enough range to be effective in this direction, out to sea. The batteries are best experienced from the surrounding areas of the peninsula where the scale of the earthworks can be appreciated. Views looking towards the sea from the batteries make a contribution to the setting of the asset.

### Anticipated Effects and Justification

- 5.4.10 The proposed WTGs will lie at a distance of over 53km from the scheduled monument. Whilst views out to sea have been identified as contributing to the significance of the asset, no harm to significance is expected to occur as a result of the introduction of the WTGs at this distance.
- 5.4.11 A wireframe has been prepared from the height of the Right Battery, which shows that the WTGs will sit behind the existing arrays (Volume 6, Part 6, Annex 7.10; Figure 7.18a-d). The introduction of the VE array at a distance of 53km will not harm the ways in which the historic, architectural and archaeological interests of the monument are appreciated and understood. Much of this understanding comes from the experience of the asset whilst on the peninsula and within the fort itself. The views out to sea from the earthwork batteries and other parts of the peninsula will not be restricted or blocked by the presence of the VE array and these views and the relationship of these views to the batteries will still be able to be understood. This will not affect the ways in which the historic interests of the asset are appreciated and therefore will not lead to any reduction in the significance of the asset.

### 5.5 High Lighthouse (1017201; 1280598)

### The Asset

5.5.1 The High Lighthouse is a scheduled monument and a Grade II\* Listed Building at Harwich. The lighthouse was constructed in 1818 along with the low lighthouse situated 200m to the south east. The lighthouse is constructed of yellow brick and is a nine sided structure with seven floors linked by a wooden staircase with a lamp room at the top and a finial on the roof. The lamp room would have originally housed the oil lamp which has since been removed. The lower rooms and the stairwells are lit by small rectangular windows and some of the lower rooms have original panelling and fireplaces.

### Setting of the asset

5.5.2 The lighthouse is situated at the southern end of the historic core of Harwich but the modern extent of Harwich continues to the south. The lighthouse is situated at the edge of a recreation ground which lies between the high and low lighthouses. Around the high lighthouse is the Harwich Museum, public toilets, public benches and areas of grass and planting. As the inland lighthouse of the pair, the high lighthouse is situated 200m from the sea. The wider setting of the asset consists of the relationship between the low and high lighthouses and its relationship with Harwich Harbour.

### Significance of the Asset

5.5.3 The historic interest of the asset is derived from the importance of this asset as a navigational landmark. The entrance to the Harwich Harbour is narrow and was difficult to navigate. The High and Low Lighthouses were built to replace earlier leading lights and the construction of permanent lighthouses at Harwich mark an important step in the sequence



of navigational aids at Harwich. Due to the changing course of the channel and shifting sandbanks, the lighthouses had become unreliable for navigation by 1863. They were replaced by the Dovercourt Lighthouses further south.

5.5.4 The asset also has historic interest through its connection to General Rebow who commissioned the lighthouses. The Low lighthouse was built to the design of John Rennie but the high lighthouse was built to the design of Daniel Asher Alexander, Architect and Surveyor to the London Docks and Trinity House. The design of the high lighthouse illustrates the versatility and skill of providing an ornate solution to a practical engineering problem. Alexander only designed one other lighthouse which was demolished in 1897.

### Contribution made by Setting to the Significance of the Asset

- 5.5.5 The setting of the asset makes a contribution to the ways in which the historic interests of the asset are understood. It is within the immediate and wider surroundings of the asset that the relationship between the high and low lighthouses can be appreciated. The green space between the assets and uninterrupted views between the two allow this relationship to be understood. The relationship between the high lighthouse and the Harwich Harbour can also be appreciated from within the surroundings of the asset which reinforce the purpose of the lighthouse as a navigational aid.
- 5.5.6 It is from within the immediate surroundings of the asset and internally that the architectural interests of the asset can be best appreciated. The uniqueness of the design for this type of structure can be appreciated from its surroundings and due to its height and distinctive tapered shape it can be appreciated on the approach to the historic core of Harwich.
- 5.5.7 The relationship to the harbour can also be appreciated from within the surroundings of the asset although views of the lighthouse from the sea would have been more important to asset than any views out of the structure towards the harbour.

# Anticipated Effects and Justification

- 5.5.8 The proposed WTGs will lie at a distance of over 55km from the asset and will be located behind the existing galloper and greater gabbard arrays. A wireline has been prepared from the top of the high lighthouse which shows how the proposed WTGs will be seen in the context of the existing Greater Gabbard and Galloper WTGs (Volume 6, Part 6, Annex 7.10; Figure 7.17a-d). Due to the distances involved it is unlikely that the array will be visible from the asset even in the clearest of conditions. A relationship between the asset and the sea has been identified and does contribute to the significance of the asset, however this relates predominantly to Harwich Harbour and specifically to the navigation of this stretch of water. Wider sea views are not considered to contribute to the significance of the asset and in addition, it is views towards the lighthouse from the harbour which are important rather than views from the lighthouse. As this lighthouse was a navigational aid, being able to see the lighthouses when approaching the harbour was an important part of the purpose and siting of the asset.
- 5.5.9 The introduction of the proposed array will not block or inhibit any views towards the lighthouse from Harwich harbour and the WTGs will not compete with the lighthouse in terms or prominence or status as a landmark. As the WTGs will lie at a distance of over 55km from the asset the setting of the asset is not considered to change and therefore will not affect the significance of the asset or the ways in which the interests of the asset are appreciated.



# 5.6 Martello Tower K, Walton on the Naze (1016787)

### The Asset

- 5.6.1 Martello Tower K is located within Walton on the Naze. The Martello Tower is a Grade II Listed Building (1111504) and is also a scheduled monument along with a section of standing and buried remains of a forward battery to the north east. This tower is the most northerly of the Essex towers and the survival of the associated battery is rare along the east coast. The tower has survived to its complete height of 10m. The battery pre-dates the tower and was built in 1795 during the early phases of the French war. The battery is of the barbette type and had a V shaped wall pointed towards the mere (to the north) fitted with low embrasures to allow cannons to fire from the platforms.
- 5.6.2 Martello Tower K was built between 1809 and 1812 to command the landing places and safe harbourage to the rear of Walton on the Naze, which explains its position close to Walton Mere. Tower K had a sister tower (Martello Tower J) which stood further to the east on Walton cliffs and faced out to sea. Tower J was demolished in 1835-6. The strategic importance of the Walton backwaters meant that the tower retained its canon long after the Napoleonic threat had passed.
- 5.6.3 The tower has had a number of uses in the 20<sup>th</sup> century, from being part of a camp site prior to WWII and a caravan park. The tower has been used as a storeroom a bar and an electricity substation and as a result a number of modern fixtures and fittings are attached to the internal and external areas of the tower. During WWI, the associated battery was roofed and used for army training and during WWII was used to store mobile coastal guns from the marshes.

### Setting of the asset

- 5.6.4 The tower is currently located at the southern edge of a relatively recent housing development (2017) which consists of two storey houses to the north and north west and a block of assisted living apartments to the west. Previous to this the tower was within a caravan park. An area of green space exists either side of the tower and between the tower and the battery. Beyond this is a boat maintenance yard and Walton mere to the north east and rest of Walton on the Naze to the west, south and east. The tower lies approximately 600m from the coast at Walton on the Naze.
- 5.6.5 Numerous Martello Towers were constructed along the Essex and Suffolk coast between 1809 and 1812 between St Osyth and Aldeburgh. The nearest standing towers are located at Clacton on Sea, 11km to the south west at the closest point (Towers C-F). Towers G, H and I were bought at action and immediately demolished in 1819. Tower J which was the seaward facing tower at Walton on the Naze was demolished in 1935.

### Significance of the Asset

5.6.6 The tower is significant for its miliary architecture and has demonstrable architectural interest. The structure survives well and retains some features from its construction however it has been altered internally through a series of different uses throughout the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Original internal features include its original heavy door at the first-floor entrance, cast iron cooking range, fire-proof flagstone flooring covering the powder magazine below, cast iron pipework, and iron bars on two of the windows for better ventilation. The stairway to the roof survives in good condition as well as the wooden blast door. The three-gun embrasures each retain their iron hauling rings used for moving and preparing the canons and two of the pivots for rotating the carriages also survive. Tower K is one of the largest of the Essex Martello Towers and survives to its original height. The structure is on the heritage

at risk register as it is not currently in use and water ingress has started to cause internal problems.

- 5.6.7 Both the scheduled battery and the tower have historic interest which contributes to their significance. The battery pre-dates the tower and was built in 1795 as part of the early defence of the Britain from the threat of French war. The historic interest of the tower lies in its purpose as part of a series of small coastal artillery forts to counter the threat of invasion posed by Napoleon in the early 19th century. The towers were built along the east coast and the south coast and only 18 of the original 29 are known to survive and as such these are considered to be rare structure. The towers have group value with one another being built around the same time as part of a defensive response to a specific threat. The towers link forts, redoubts and other coastal batteries and were constructed as a key part of the defence of Britain. Both the battery and tower were constructed with the specific purpose of defending the backwater at Walton, which was considered to be so strategically important that the canon was left within the tower well into the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Many of the towers were built along the coastline facing out to sea whereas this fortification was designed with a specific purpose to defend the backwaters at Walton.
- 5.6.8 The battery also has some military architectural interest constructed in the barbette type, with a V shaped wall pointing towards the mere. It was terraced and equipped with low embrasures to allow three cannons to fire from traversing platforms. The northern arm of the wall survives well to a height of 2.5m and 25m in length with evidence of two-gun embrasures surviving. The southern arm of the wall only exists as foundation courses at ground level, but survives as buried remains. This battery is one of only two surviving examples on the Essex coast, the other is associated with Tower A.

### Contribution made by Setting to the Significance of the Asset

- 5.6.9 The setting of the asset has been much changed over time and as such the contribution that the setting makes to the significance of the asset has already been reduced. An area of green space was incorporated into the design of the housing development on the western side of the tower and also between the tower and the battery. It is from within this green space that the architectural interests of the tower and the battery can be best appreciated. Indeed, due to the comparatively low height of the surviving battery wall, this is best experienced from within close proximity to the battery. It is from within this green space that the relationship between the tower, the battery and the mere can be best appreciated, and it is clear from the position set back from the coastline, but close to the mere that the tower was built for protection of the backwaters rather than protection of the coast (which was the purpose of Tower J).
- 5.6.10 The remainder of the surroundings of the asset, the recent residential development and the centre of Walton to the south east, do not contribute to the ways in which the asset is understood and are therefore not considered to form part of the significance of the asset as part of the setting. The asset does have a wider connection to the chain of fortifications that were constructed due to the threat from the Napoleonic invasion. The survival of these structures provides insight into military engineering and defensive strategy of the time. However, as the tower at Walton stands in relative isolation, with its nearest towers already demolished, the wider relationship between this tower and its nearest standing towers at Walton cannot be appreciated from within the surroundings of the asset.

### Anticipated Effects and Justification

5.6.11 The contribution of the setting to the significance of the asset is limited to the area which immediately surrounds the asset including the greenspace around the tower and between the tower and the battery and the mere. The tower was constructed to defend the



backwaters to the north of Walton on the Naze and as such does not derive any of its significance from the coastal area or views out to sea. Tower J was constructed to defend the coastline. The array area is proposed over 54km from the asset, with the closest turbine approximately 56km from the asset. As the asset does not derive its significance from views out to sea, there is no mechanism for harm to significance to occur through a reduction in the contribution that setting makes to the significance of the asset. The introduction of the array over 54km out to sea will not affect the ways in which the historic or architectural interests of the asset are experienced or appreciated and therefore its significance will not be harmed.

## 5.7 Martello Towers at Clacton on Sea (D, E and F; 1016553, 1016554 and 1016555)

#### The Assets

5.7.1 Three Martello Towers are located at Clacton On Sea, towards the southern end of the sea front between 680-780m apart from one another. Martello Tower D is the southernmost tower at Clacton and is situated within a golf course. It was used as an observation post in the second world war and ROC observation post during the cold war. It previously had an associated forward battery that has since been lost due to erosion and upgrades to the sea defences in the 1980s. The tower itself survives well and contains a number of original internal features. Tower E also survives well and was built to command 'the landing place at Clacton wash and the great road leading from it into the country.' This tower has also lost its forward battery to erosion but internal features of the tower are thought to survive well and it is complete to its full height. Tower F survives to its full height of 10m and has an associated forward battery, parts of which have survived coastal erosion. The moat and glacis survive, as does the iron drawbridge. The tower became a coastguard station in 1888 and was used for military service during both the World Wars. The tower was converted to a restaurant in 2005.

#### Setting of the assets

5.7.2 The assets are situated within close proximity to one another, south of the sea-front resort at Clacton on Sea. Towers E and F are set close to residential areas, although still distinct from these. Both are surrounding by grass and planting with benches and open space along the sea front. Tower D is much more isolated at the edge of the Clacton on Sea golf course. This lies adjacent to the course and a public footpath along the sea front.

#### Significance of the Assets

- 5.7.3 The assets are significant primarily for their historic interest, Martello towers were constructed in response to a specific threat in the early 19th century from Napoleonic invasion. The towers were built along the east coast and the south coast and only 18 of the original 29 are known to survive and as such these are considered to be rare structure. The towers have group value with one another being built around the same time and to very similar designs. The towers link forts, redoubts and other coastal batteries and were constructed as a key part of the defence of Britain.
- 5.7.4 The assets have architectural interest but in the case of Tower F is limited to the external form of the structure. The internal areas have been converted to a restaurant and as such there has been some loss of features internally. However, the tower retains its distinctive circular form, original drawbridge, and gun platform at roof level, with the addition of the coastguard watchtower. Tower D is expected to be relatively intact having not been converted, but Tower E was briefly used as a water tower for the Butlins Holiday Resort.
- 5.7.5 This asset is part of a group of standing towers at the southern end of the chain of defences. Towers A and C survive above ground further south east, but the next closest standing



tower is Tower K at Walton. The three towers in close proximity allows some appreciation of the spacing between the towers and their presence along this coastline and emphasizes the level of threat posed by Napoleon in the early 19<sup>th</sup> century.

## Contribution made by Setting to the Significance of the Asset

- 5.7.6 The setting of the assets in terms of the relationship between this particular group of surviving towers allows the appreciation of the historic interest of the asset in terms of the spacing and density of the towers and seriousness of the threat posed. Due to the demolition of the towers to the north (H, I and J) and other further north along the coastline, it is unusual to be able to appreciate the towers from one another or be able to appreciate the spacing makes a contribution to the ways in which we can appreciate the defensive strategy as a whole (albeit not complete).
- 5.7.7 The architectural interests are best appreciated from within the immediate surroundings of the assets where the scale and survival of the external structure can be best appreciated. The associated earthworks, moat, glacis and drawbridge (in the case of Tower F) are best appreciated within close proximity to the asset.
- 5.7.8 The towers were constructed to defend the coastline south of Clacton as such views out to sea to identify an approaching enemy would have been an important aspect of the monument. Towers E and F have since been put to other uses and as such this aspect has become less important but views out to sea are still appreciable from the gun platform and aid the understanding of the defensive position of the guns and the role of the tower as part of a chain of defences.

## Anticipated Effects and Justification

5.7.9 The VE array would introduce additional WTGs at a distance of over 63km from the tower which would sit behind the existing WTGs. The existing WTGs at Greater Gabbard and Galloper were not visible over such a distance from Clacton on Sea, even in clear conditions (Viewpoint F- Baseline Photograph). Sea views have been identified as being important to the asset however, the additional WTGs (whether visible or not) are not considered to change the setting in such a way as to reduce the significance of the asset by affecting either the architectural interest (which will be entirely unaffected by the WTGs) or the historic interest. The presence of additional WTGs will not detract from the appreciation of the role that this tower played in the coastal defence of Britain in the early 19th century. As such, the introduction of the array is considered to have no effect on the significance of the assets and has not been scoped into the ES chapter as no significant effects are anticipated.

## 6 CONCLUSIONS

- 6.1.1 This high-level initial assessment has considered assets within a 70km radius of the array (as well as those at Dengie Peninsula). Assets which may be sensitive to change as a result of the proposed array have been included for further detailed assessment within the ES. Those assets (or groups of assets) which have been shown not to derive their significance from a coastal connection or to receive any effects to their significance as a result of the array have been excluded from any further assessment above.
- 6.1.2 The following assets will be included in for further detailed narrative assessment following steps 2,3 and 4 of the GPA3 guidance (Historic England 2017) within the ES Chapter (**Figure 12**);
  - The North Lookout, Aldeburgh;

- South Lookout, Aldeburgh;
- Martello Tower, Aldeburgh;
- Orford Castle, Orford; and
- Naze Tower, Walton.
- 6.1.3 The assets scoped in for further assessment within the ES have been agreed with Historic England prior to submission (via email 14.02.2024).



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## APPENDICES

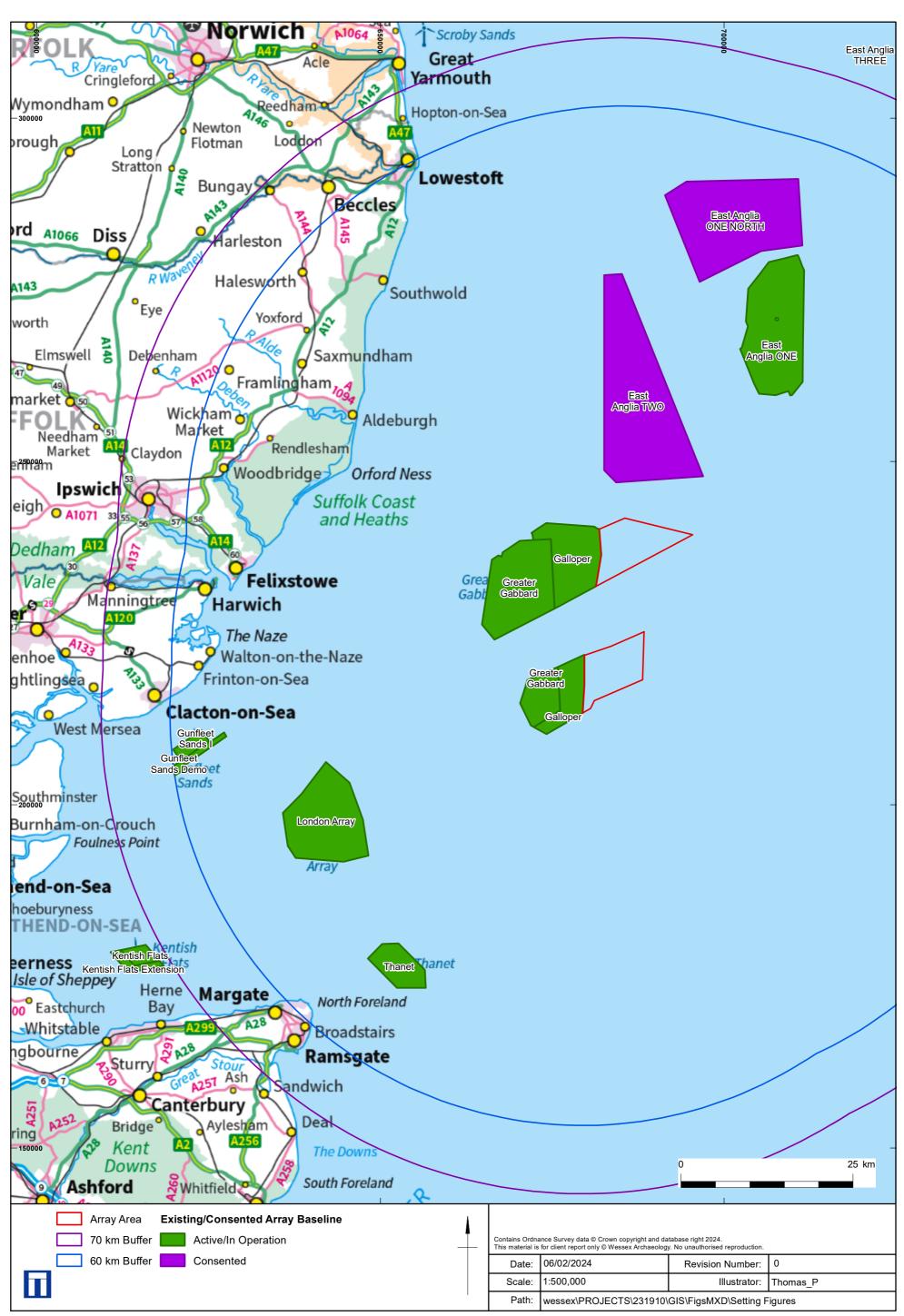
## Appendix 1: Terminology

Glossary

The terminology used in this assessment follows definitions contained within Annex 2 of NPPF:

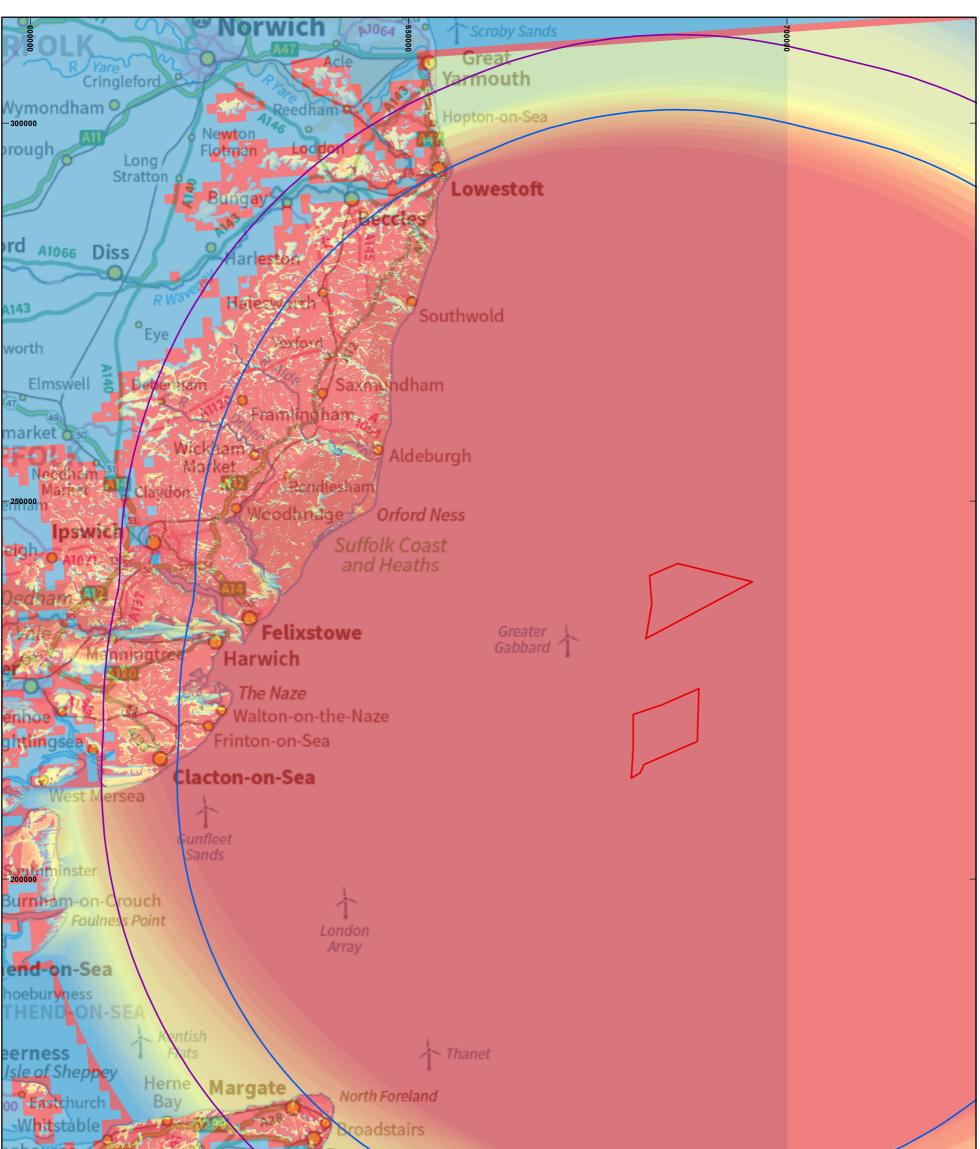
Archaeological interest	There will be archaeological interest in a heritage asset if it holds, or potentially holds, evidence of past human activity worthy of expert investigation at some point.
Conservation (for heritage policy)	The process of maintaining and managing change to a heritage asset in a way that sustains and, where appropriate, enhances its significance.
Designated heritage asset	A World Heritage Site, Scheduled Monument, Listed Building, Protected Wreck Site, Registered Park and Garden, Registered Battlefield or Conservation Area designated under the relevant legislation.
Heritage asset	A building, monument, site, place, area or landscape identified as having a degree of significance meriting consideration in planning decisions, because of its heritage interest. It includes designated heritage assets and assets identified by the local planning authority (including local listing).
Historic environment	All aspects of the environment resulting from the interaction between people and places through time, including all surviving physical remains of past human activity, whether visible, buried or submerged, and landscaped and planted or managed flora.
Historic environment record	Information services that seek to provide access to comprehensive and dynamic resources relating to the historic environment of a defined geographic area for public benefit and use.
Setting of a heritage asset	The surroundings in which a heritage asset is experienced. Its extent is not fixed and may change as the asset and its surroundings evolve. Elements of a setting may make a positive or negative contribution to the significance of an asset, may affect the ability to appreciate that significance or may be neutral.
Significance (for heritage policy)	The value of a heritage asset to this and future generations because of its heritage interest. The interest may be archaeological, architectural, artistic or historic. Significance derives not only from a heritage asset's physical presence, but also from its setting. For World Heritage Sites, the cultural value described within each site's Statement of Outstanding Universal Value forms part of its significance.

# FIGURES



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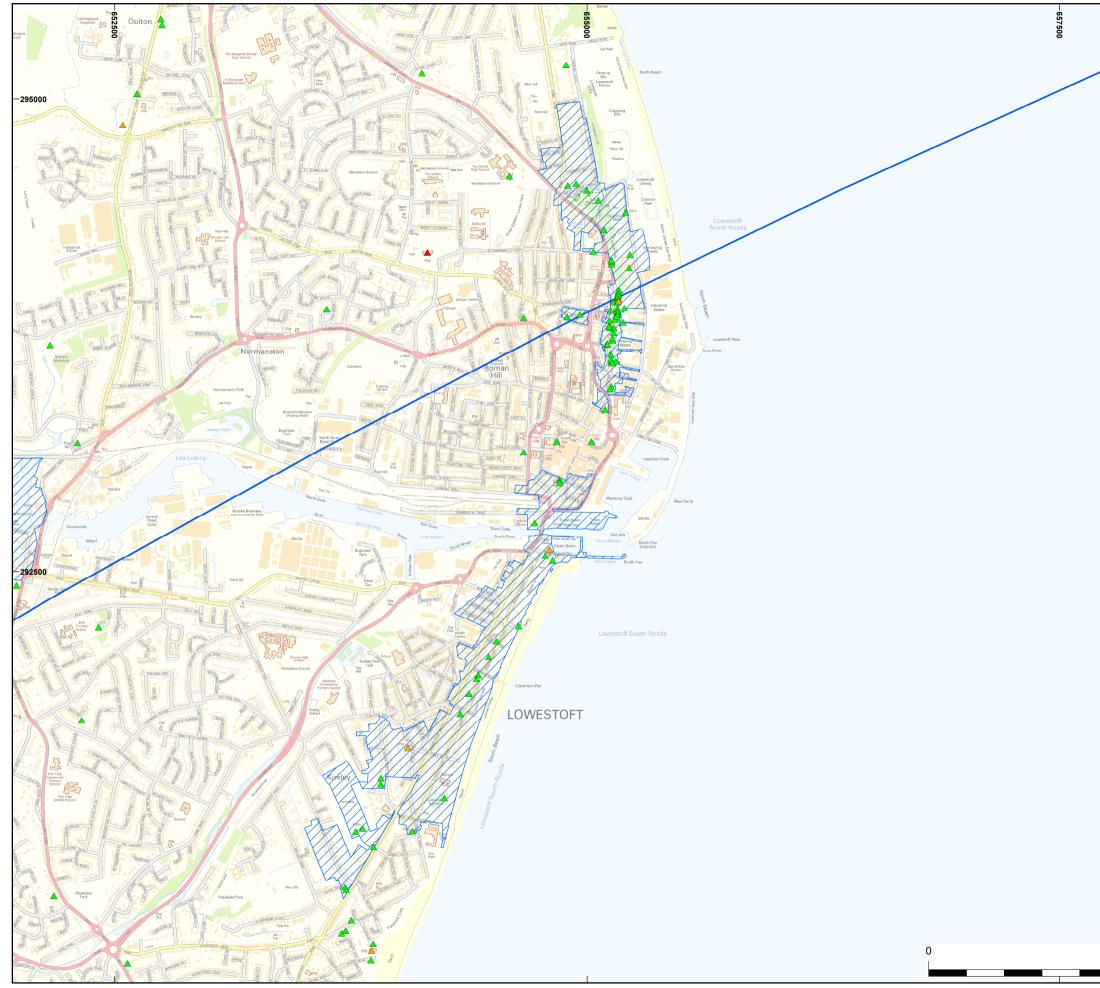
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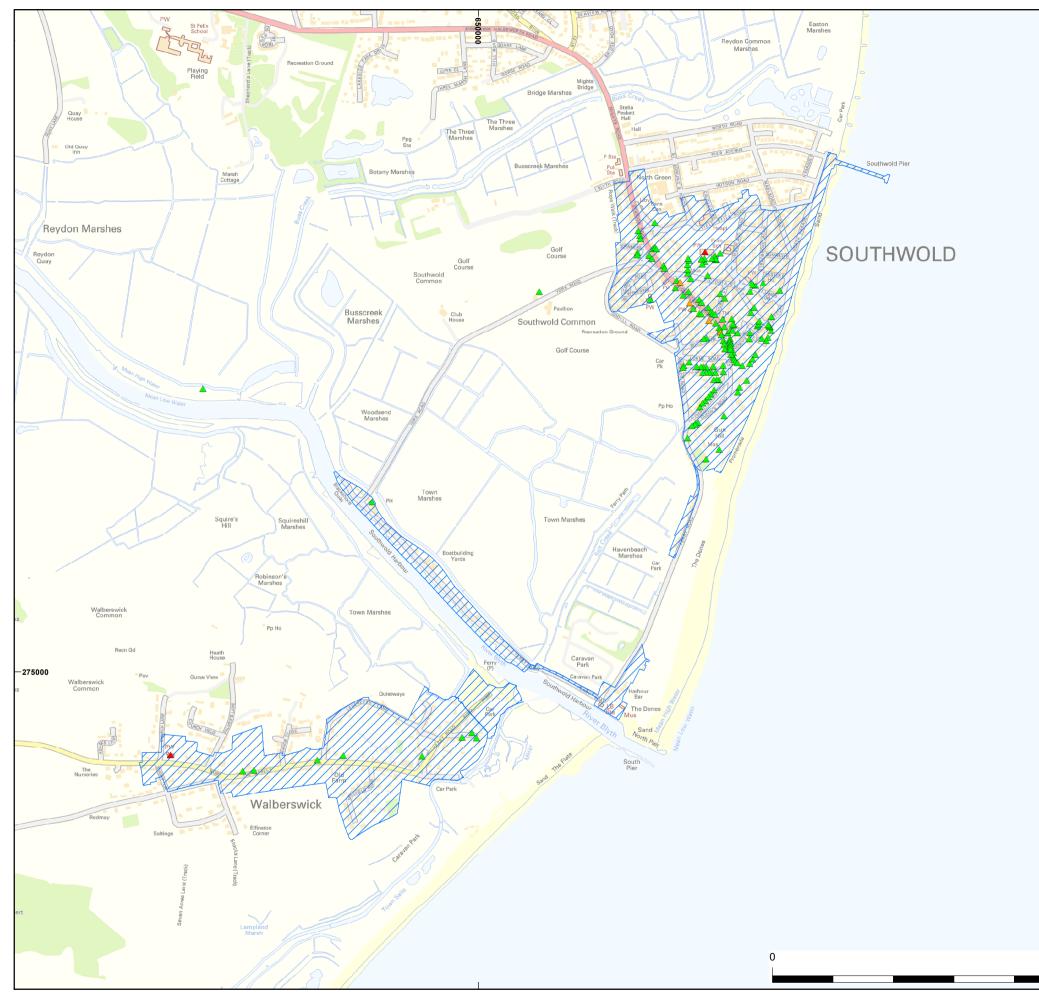
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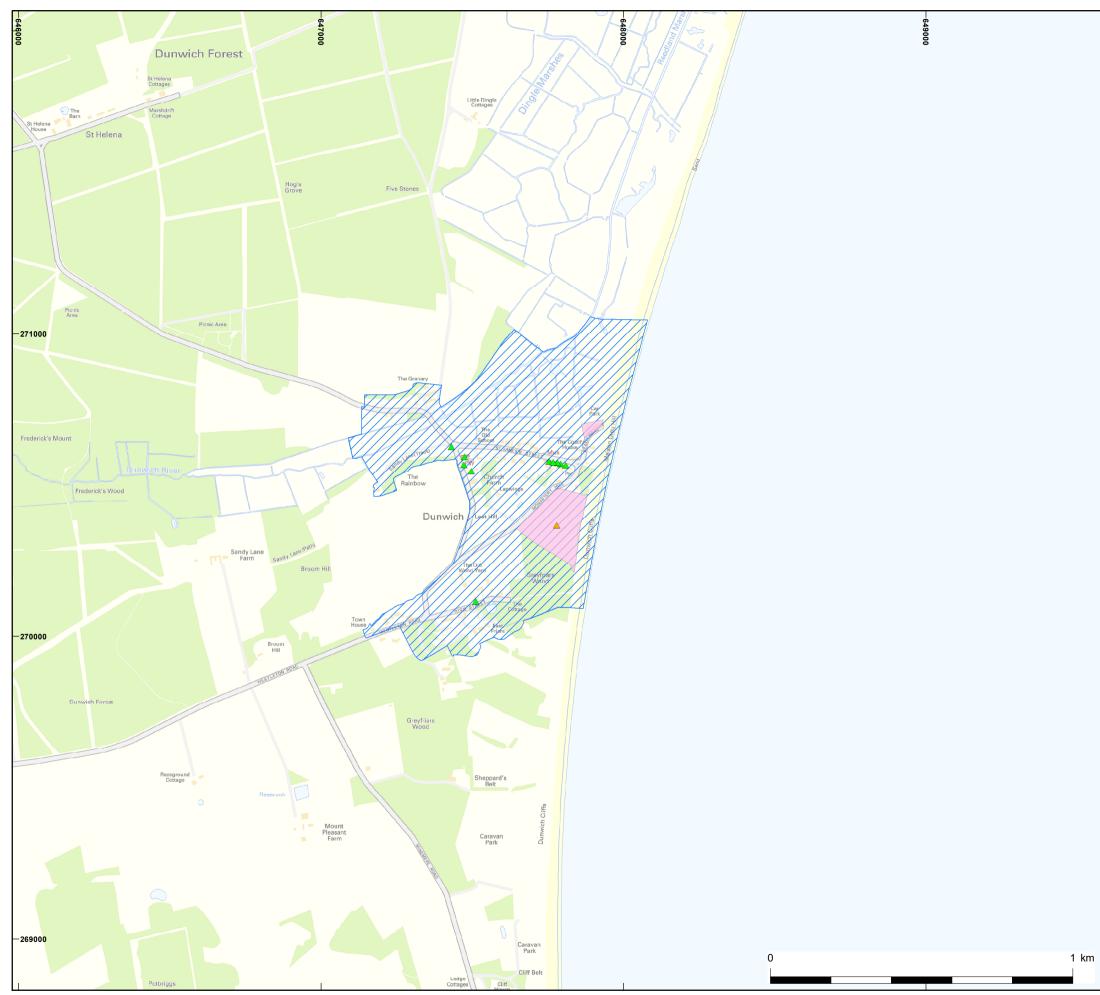
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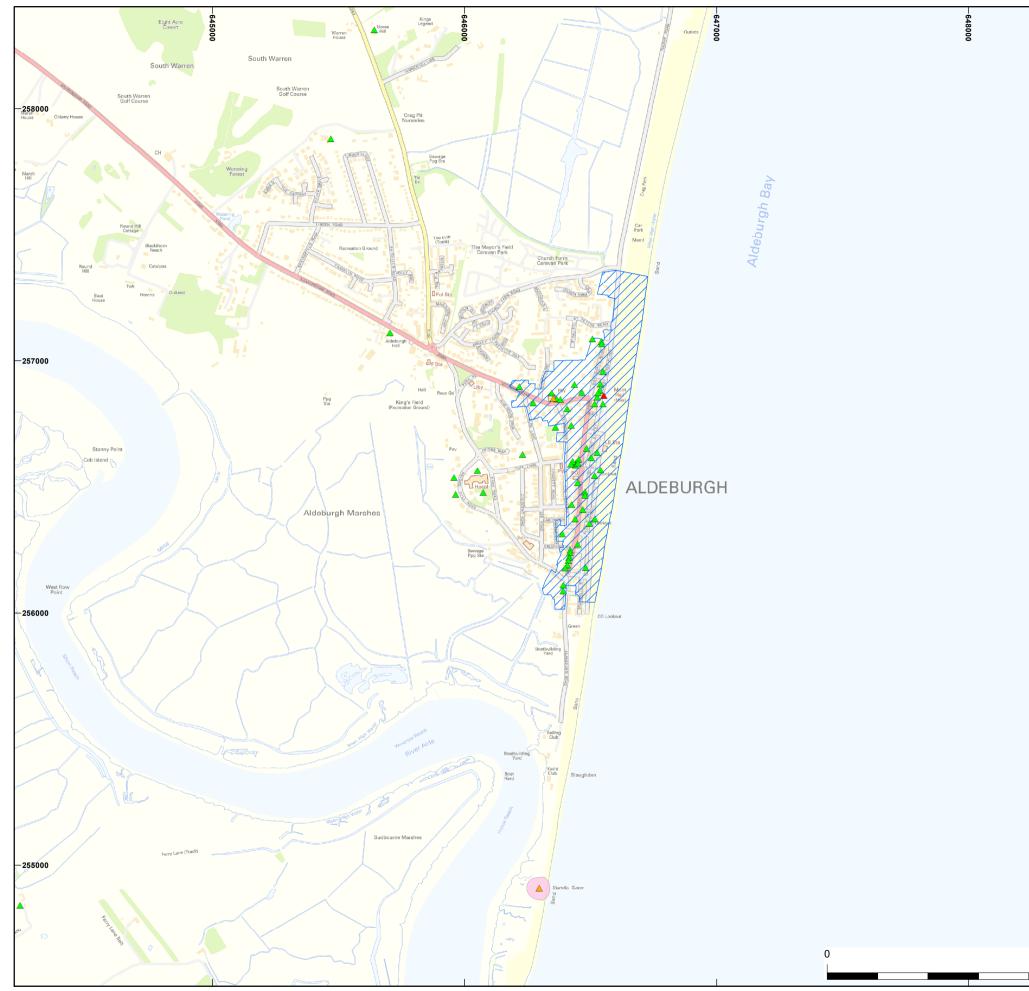
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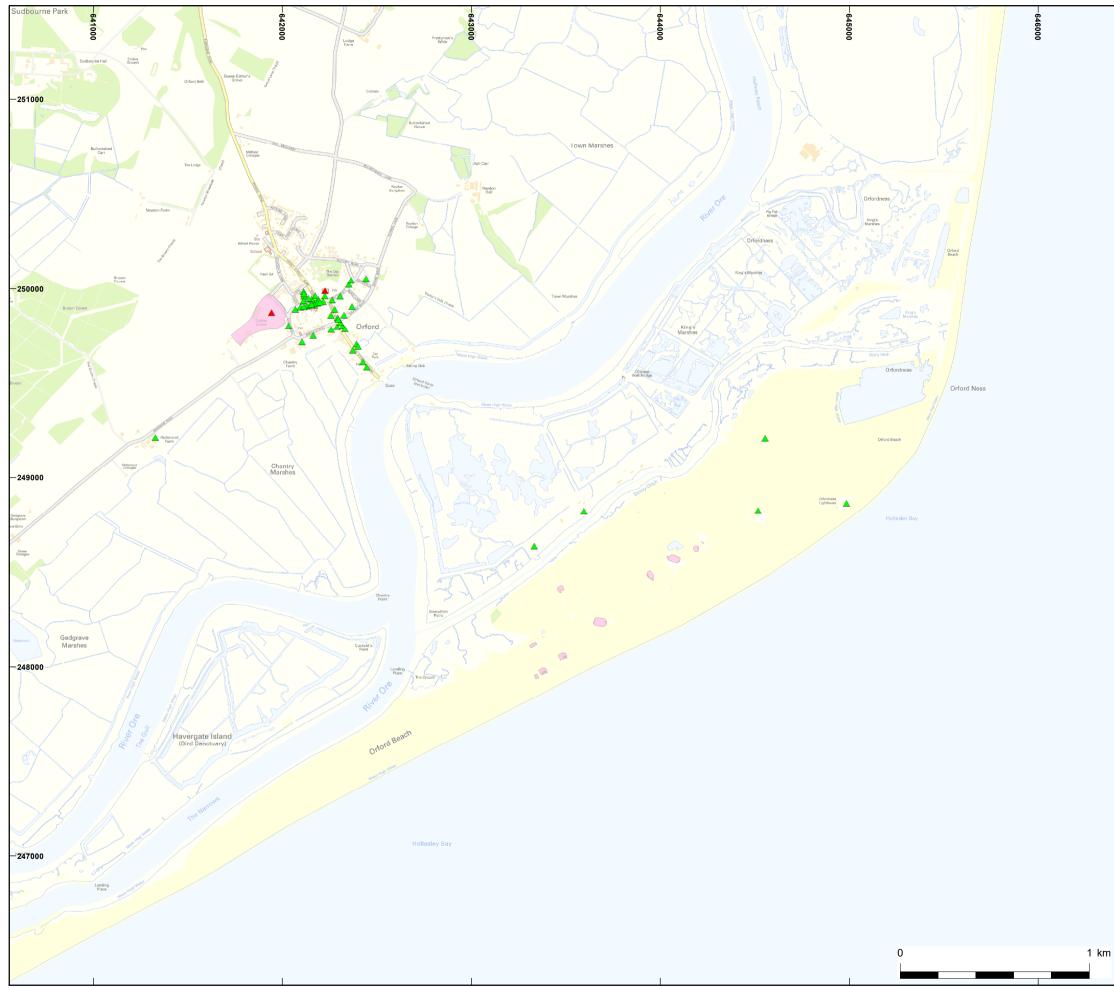
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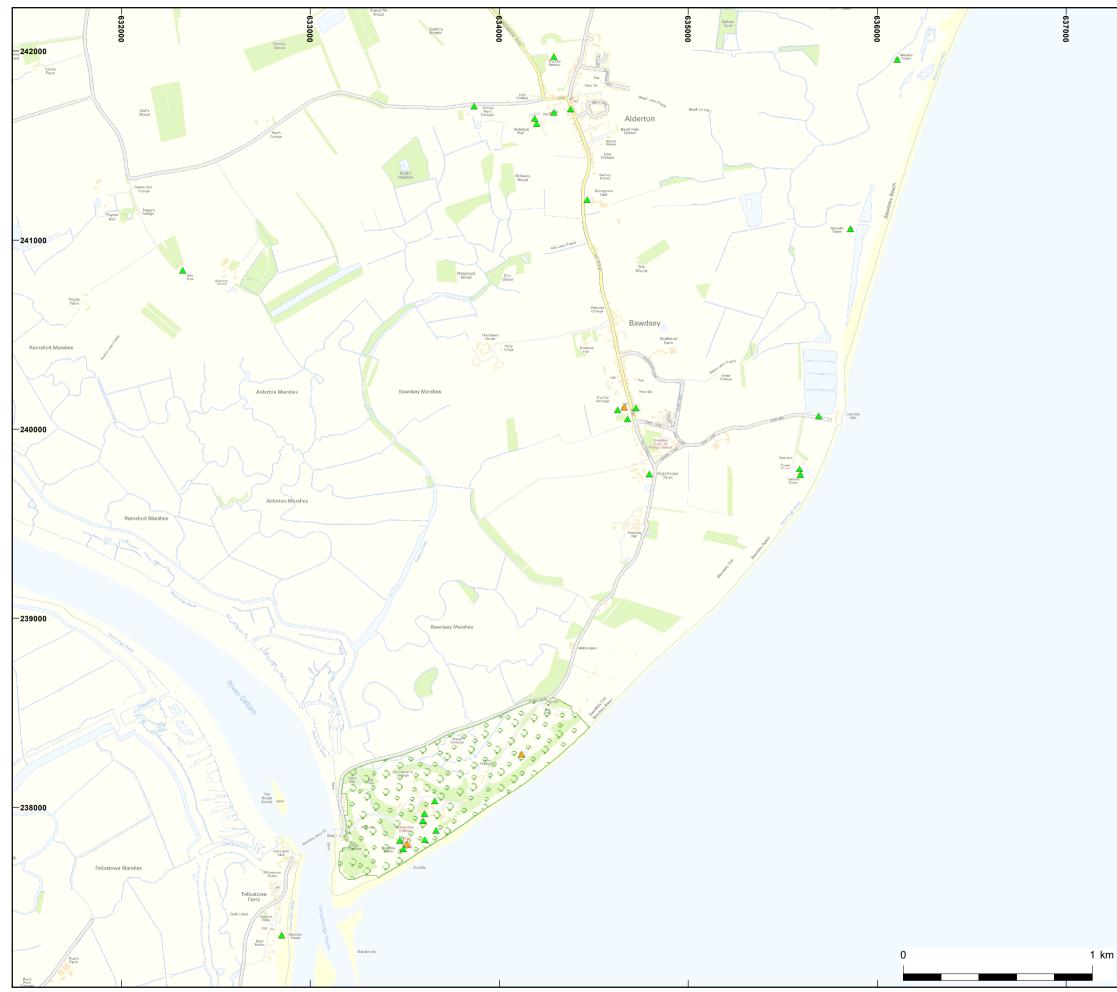
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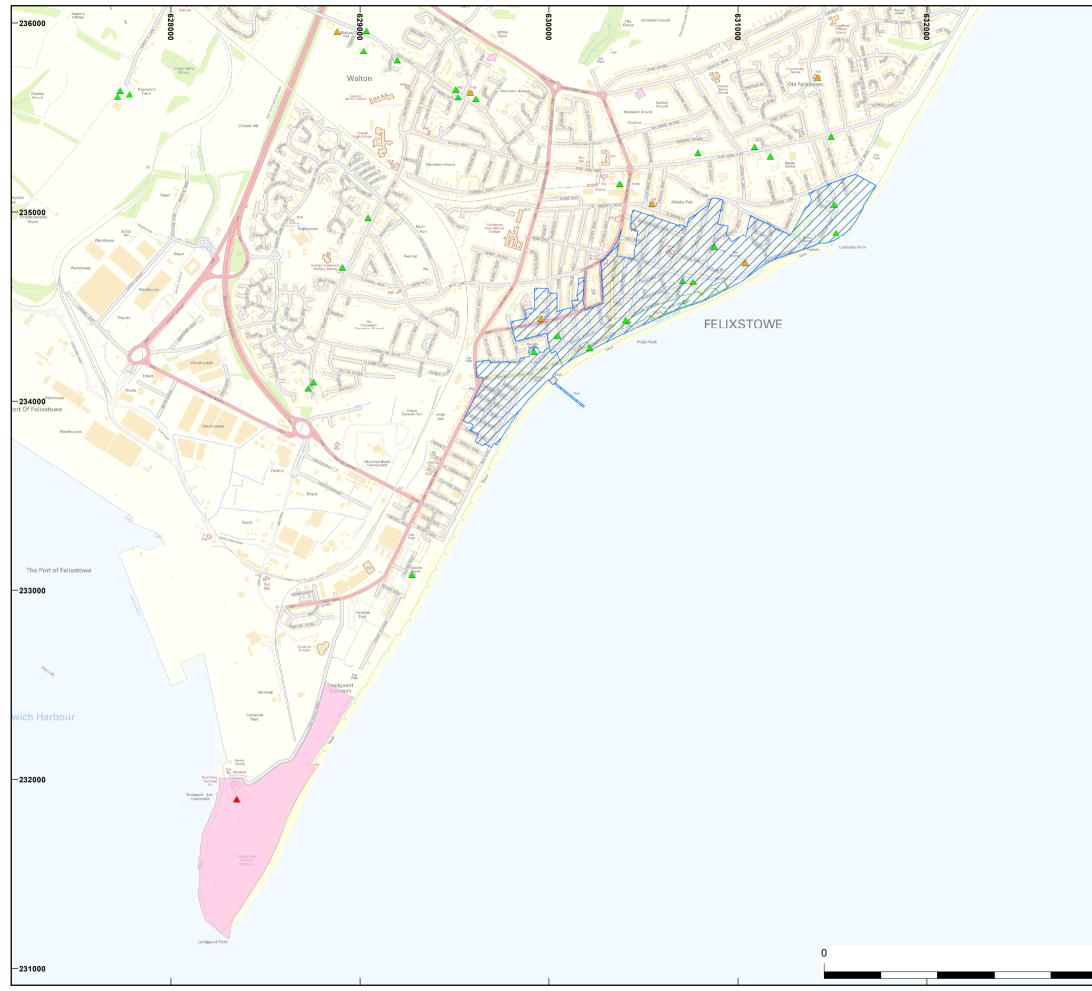
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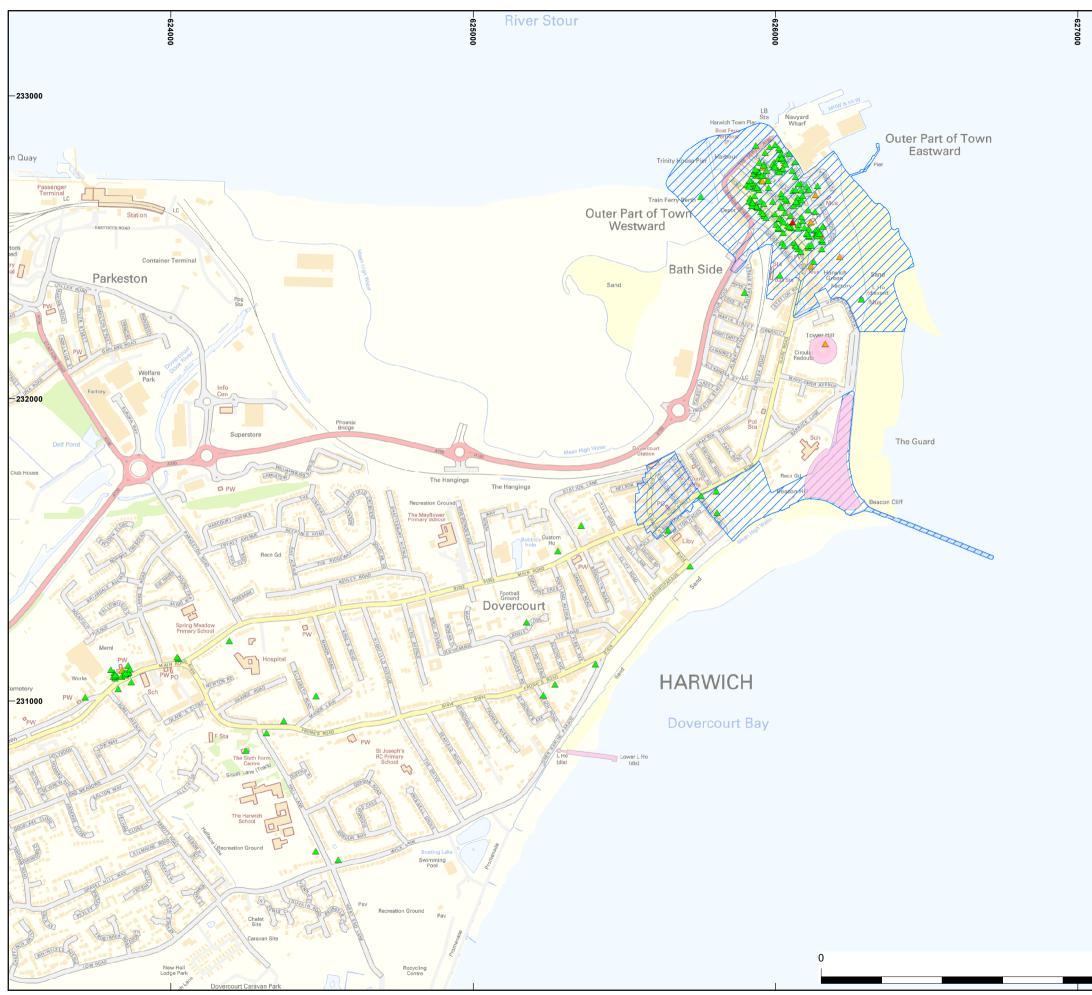
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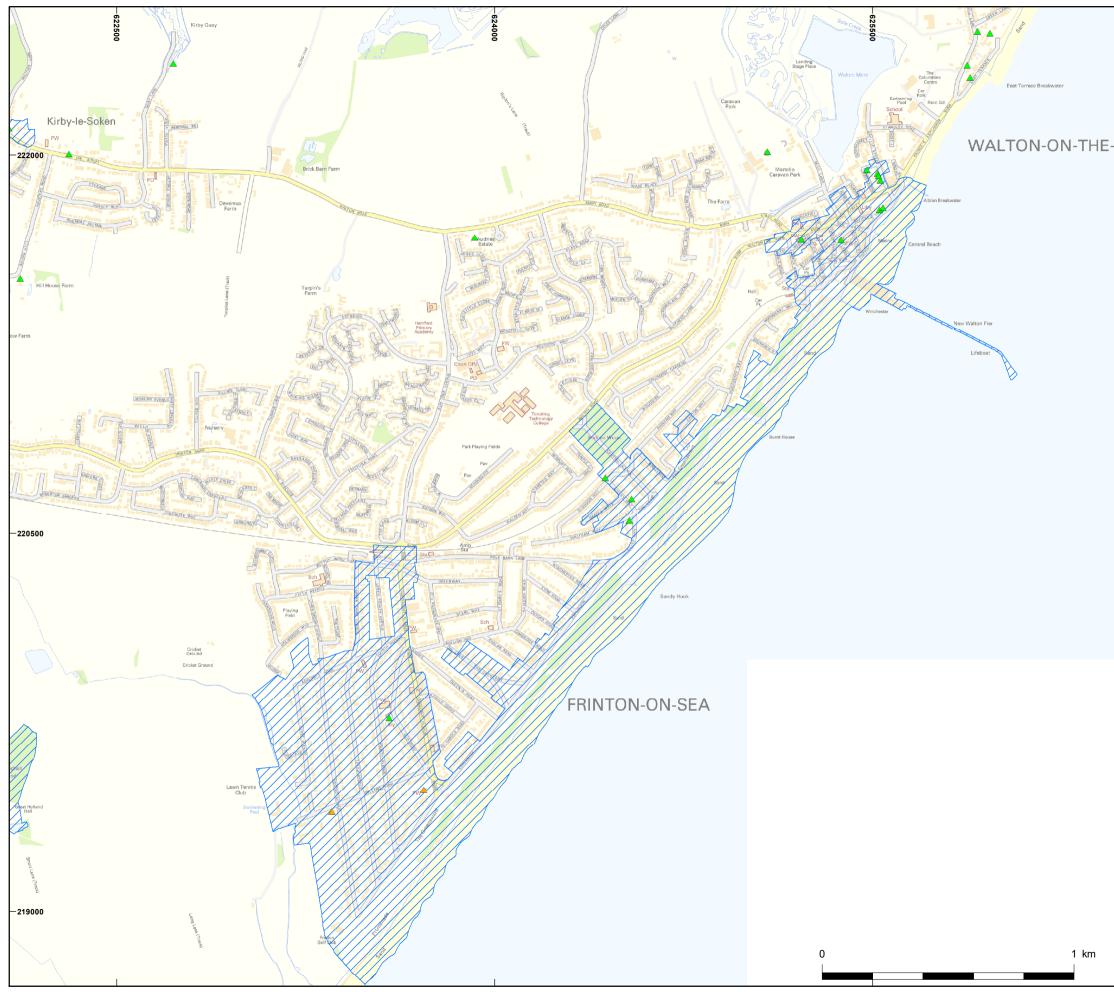
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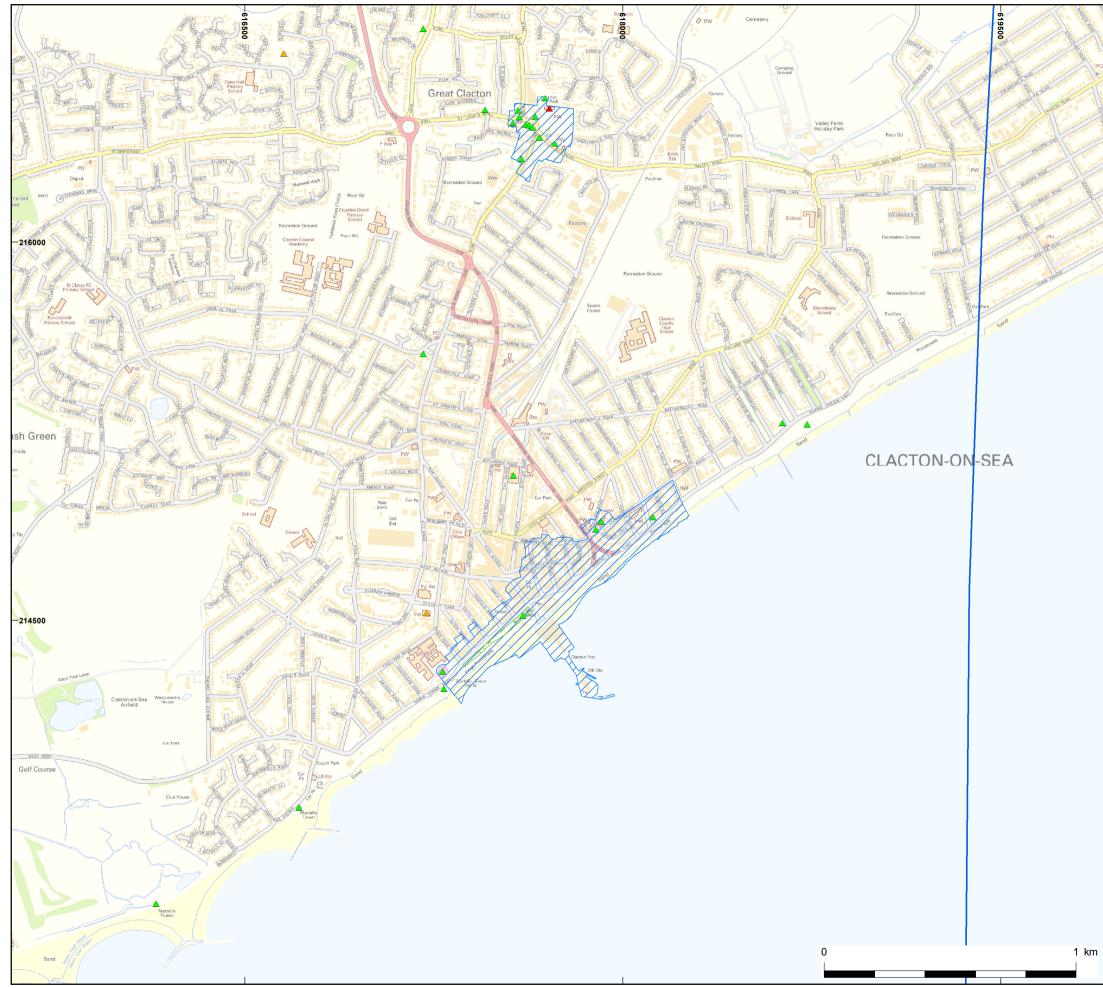
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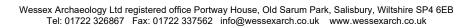
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