



**Ecotricity (Heck Fen Solar) Limited**

**Heckington Fen Solar Park**

**EN010123**

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**The Examining Authority's Note of an Unaccompanied Site Inspection**

**Date carried out: Monday 8 January 2024**

1. As the Examining Authority I undertook a second Unaccompanied Site Inspection (USI2) on Monday 8 January 2024 to support the Examination of an application for development consent for the proposed Heckington Fen Solar Park.
2. I carried out USI2 from publicly accessible land (roads, footpaths, public rights of way and public open spaces). As no inspections were undertaken on private land, advance permission to enter land was not required and the inspection could consequently be undertaken without any other parties being present.
3. I undertook the visit principally on foot. Weather conditions were dry, and partly cloudy with a temperature of approximately 3 degrees Celsius. Weather conditions were at all times suitable to appreciate long range views. Localised flooding was evident but did not obstruct the route. The inspection commenced at 11:40 and finished at approximately 13:15.
4. The site inspection was undertaken in order to view the location of the Energy Park site from a number of public viewpoints around the group of designated heritage assets at Church Lane, South Kyme, to assist in an assessment of setting. Annex A lists the heritage assets and locations visited and maps are supplied at Annexes B and C.
5. I previously observed Kyme Tower from the wider area at the first USI on 23 May 2023 [EV-001] and from within the Energy Park site as part of the Accompanied Site Inspection on 20 November 2023 [EV-001a].

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**Examining Authority**



## **Annex A:**

### **Locations Visited on the Second Unaccompanied Site Inspection**

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#### **Church Lane**

The following heritage assets were observed:

- Scheduled Monument:  
Remains of medieval monastery, moated manor house, fishponds and post-medieval garden (List Entry No. 1008317)
- Listed Buildings:  
Kyme Tower (1204786)  
Church of St Mary's and All Saints (1061749)  
The Manor (1360601)

#### **Public Rights of Way**

Parts of SKym 6/1, 7/1 and 8/1.

Views taken on foot of the aforementioned heritage assets and the energy park site from Public Rights of Way.

Routes taken adjacent to the Listed Buildings and partly through the Scheduled Monument.

Followed the south side of the Kyme Eau into the village of South Kyme.

#### **Highways in and around South Kyme**

General views of the Scheduled Monument and Listed Buildings, and long range views of the energy park site – on foot and by car from the following highways:

- B1395 High Street, Wood Lane and Clay Bank
- Low Road and Cow Drove



**Annex B:**

**Area visited on the Second Unaccompanied Site Inspection**

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**Public Rights of Way**

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Public Rights of Way [Figure 2, REP3-001]



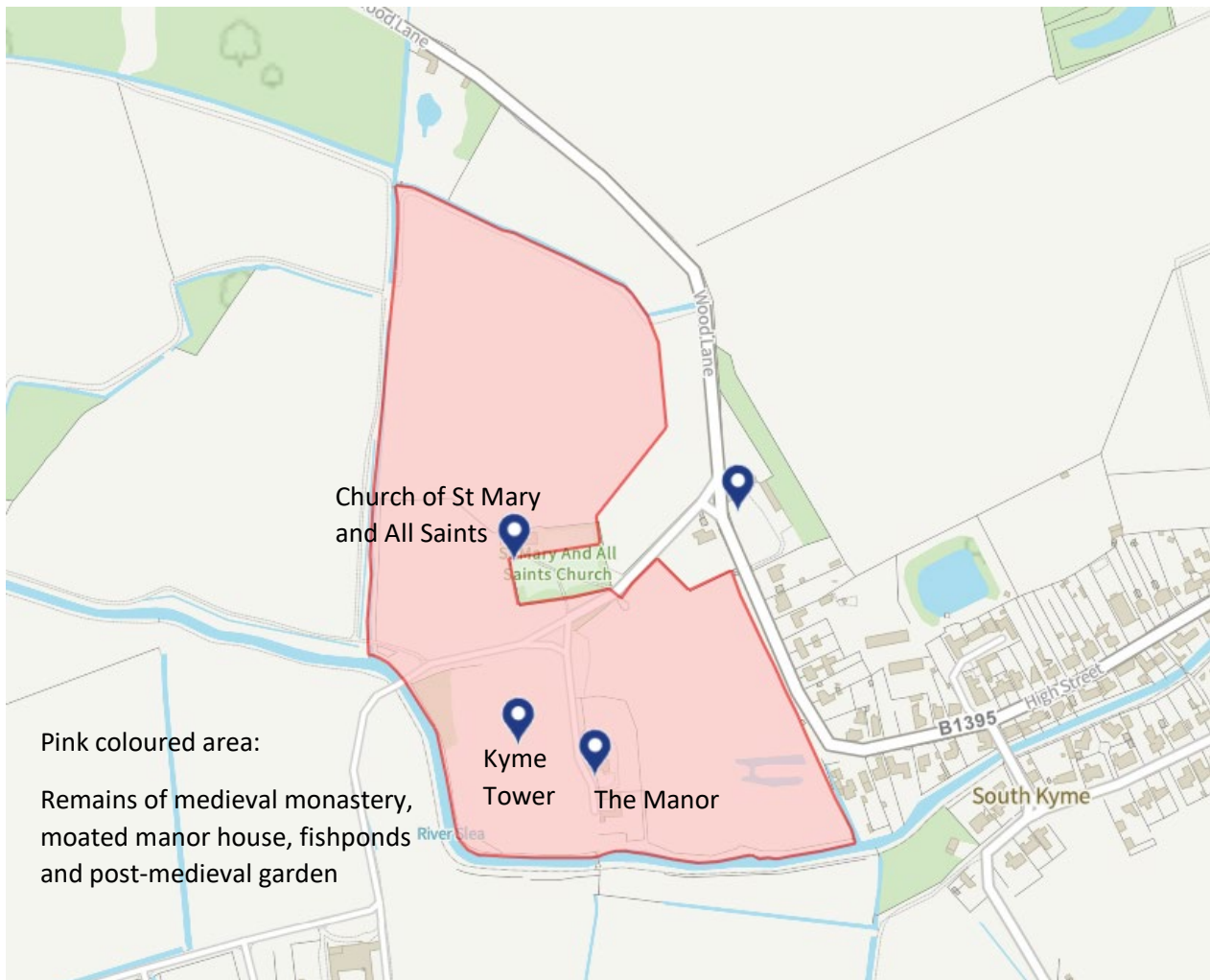
## Annex C:

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### Heritage Assets

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Location of Heritage Assets for reference purposes only (Historic England National Heritage List for England)