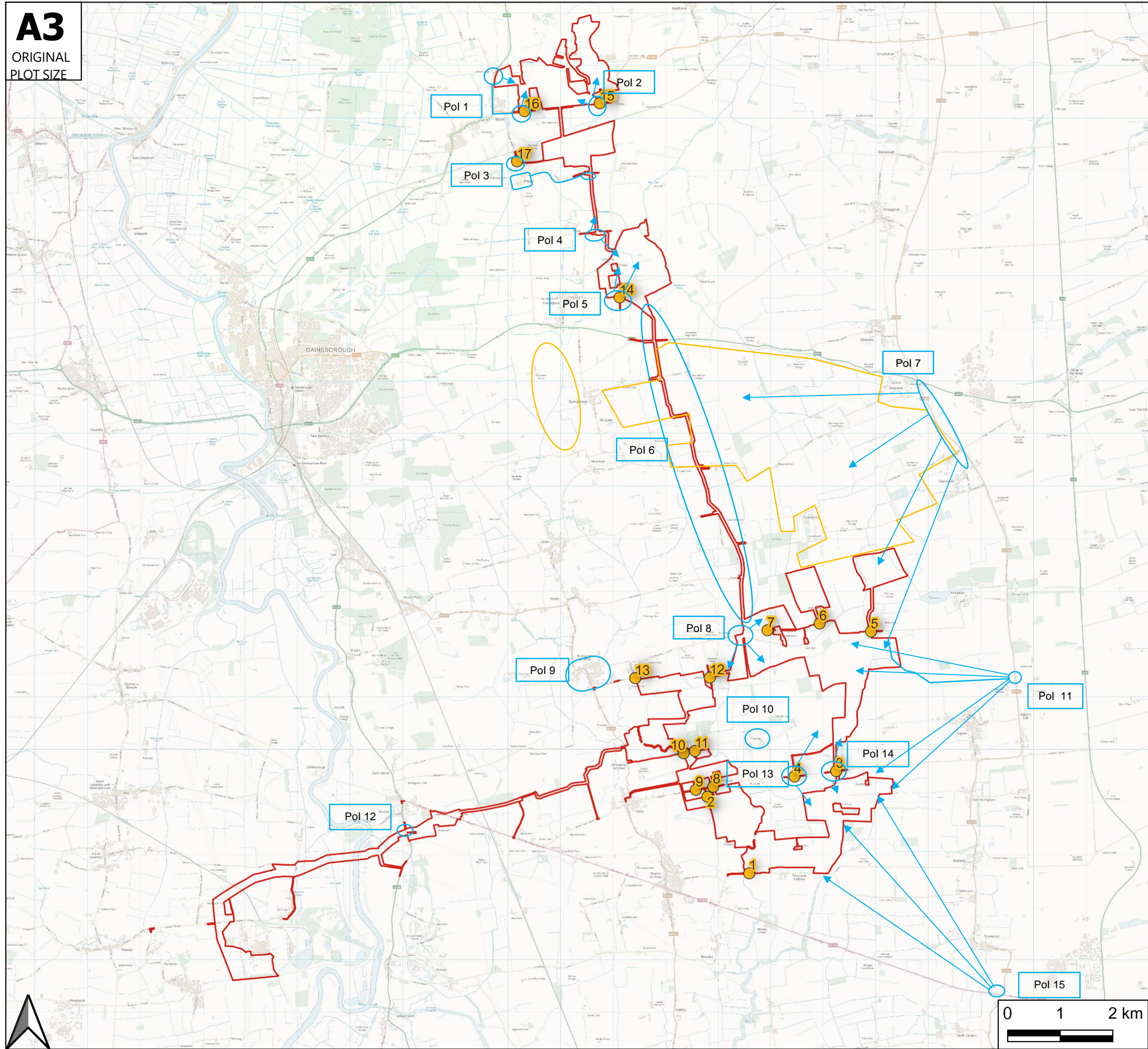


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Pol X	Points of Interest
	Views
	Tillbridge



# Cottam Recommendations for Examining Authority's Site Visit

West Lindsey District Council (WLDC) undertook a site visit of Cottam, Gate Burton and West Burton on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> of June 2023. During the site visit, several points of interest around the schemes were taken into account. This note and accompanying drawing provides a summary of these points of interest for the Cottam scheme which may be of use to the Examining Authority when their site visit.

The Points of Interest (PoI) are shown on the Cottam access location plan which shows the vehicle access for the construction of the solar panels. Also included as part of this submission is the access to the Cottam cabling routes which, when combined result in 48 accesses along the entirety of the route.

An approximate boundary for the Order Limits of the proposed Tillbridge solar farm (shown as an orange border) has also been included to provide context of the proposed developments in relation to the Cottam DCO, particularly with reference to the cabling route between Cottam 1 and Cottam 2.

## Points of Interest (PoI)

This section provides a brief summary of the PoI that were noted during the site visit. These are not listed in any particular order other than working from the northwest of the scheme and ending in the southeast.

- PoI 1 – Blyton viewpoints into the area which covers the former RAF Blyton area. Access to proposed Cottam 3a along B1205.
- PoI 2 – Blyton Park racetrack access. Access to proposed Cottam 3a along B1205.
- PoI 3 – Access north of Pilham for construction and use of Pilham Lane for cable construction routes. Pilham Lane is a small lane which has passing points for standard private vehicles. Order Limits suggest a large removal of hedgerows and allow cable crossing.
- PoI 4 – cable crossing location east of Aisby. Order Limits suggest a large removal of hedgerows along minor single carriage road with grassy verges.
- PoI 5 – construction access into Cottam 2 in from A631 along minor single carriage road with grassy verges. Access also leads to Grangewell Farm and property surrounded by Cottam 2.
- PoI 6 – cable construction route between Cottam 1 and Cottam 2, multiple accesses rather than limited accesses along the route with an internal haul road. Considered why multiple accesses are necessary and an internal haul road cannot be used across the cable connection.
  - Also considered the schemes in connection with proposed Tillbridge application.
- PoI 7 – views of site along Middle Street (B1398) down into proposed area for Tillbridge and interaction with Cottam cabling route.
- PoI 8 – Willingham Road viewpoint to see several fields by Cottam 1. Stopped on Willingham Road two right angle turns adjacent to one another. Would be difficult to maneuver construction vehicles along this road.
- PoI 9 – Willingham by Stow will be impacted by Cottam construction traffic as well as Gate Burton accesses. Site visit considered that the village will be heavily impacted by the two schemes.

- Pol 10 – Coates medieval settlement is in the centre of the Order Limits. Includes a Scheduled Monument which would be impacted by the scheme.
- Pol 11 – Viewpoint overlooking Cottam 1 along Middle Street, just north of the kennels and cattery. Public footpath down into Cottam 1, north of Ingham (ref. Ingh/16/1). Recommend walking the footpath.
- Pol 12 – Cable crossing just south of Marton on High Street (A156). Cable crossing will be used for Cottam, Great Burton, West Burton and Tillbridge. Intensification of works in the area if all schemes are in the area at the same time. Alternatively, separate schemes could cause disruption several times meaning Marton and A156 would be impacted multiple times.
- Pol 13 – construction access point from Ingham Road east of the River Till (Squire's Bridge). A stopping point to view into fields.
- Pol 14 – additional access point and crossing location along Ingham Road. Considered why both accesses are required for construction in close proximity.
- Pol 15 – Tillbridge Lane viewpoint southeast of Scampton which provides vantage point over Cottam 1. Parking stop on the corner of Middle Street and Tillbridge Lane.