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E1.11 Targeted Statutory Consultation







E1.11.1 Newly identified Persons with an Interest in the Land 1: 24 November to 22 December 2023 – Letter





Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets

Address

Our ref: Section 42(1)(d) letter – Land interest Date: 23rd November 2023 T: 0800 915 2493 (option 3) E: info@morecambeandmorgan.com

Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets ("the Project") Statutory consultation: 24th November 2023 to 22nd December 2023 Section 44 of the Planning Act 2008 ('the Act')

Dear Salutation

We are writing to consult with you on the proposed application for the Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets ("the Project"), as you have been identified as a prescribed consultee for the Project.

Morgan Offshore Wind Limited and Morecambe Offshore Windfarm Limited (the "Applicants"), are developing the Project, to connect the Morgan Offshore Wind Project and the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm to the national grid.

The Applicants are collaborating to connect the proposed offshore wind farms to the national grid via the Project. The two offshore wind farms are expected to form a key contribution to the UK's target of generating 50 gigawatts (GW) of power from offshore wind by 2030. Combined they will generate approximately 2 GW of energy.

In October 2022, the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy issued a direction under Section 35 of the Act that the Project should be treated as a development for which development consent is required. As a result, an application for development consent will be prepared in accordance with section 47 of the Act. The Applicants expect to make the application for development consent for the Project in 2024.

The Development Consent Order (DCO) application will include full details of the Project and will be accompanied by an Environmental Statement in accordance with the Act and the 2017 Regulations. The requirements for applications to the Secretary of State for a DCO are set out in the Act, and subsequent guidance has been issued by the UK Government and the Planning Inspectorate. The relevant information can be found here: <u>https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk</u>.

About the Project

The Project will comprise both permanent and temporary infrastructure for the transmission of electricity from the Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms and connection into the existing National Grid substation at Penwortham, Lancashire, including, but not limited to:





- Offshore infrastructure including offshore export cables, offshore substation platform(s), interconnector cables and a Morgan offshore booster station.
- Landfall works (where the offshore cables reach the shore in the vicinity of Blackpool Airport) between Mean Low Water Springs and the transition joint bays including the offshore and onshore cables, intertidal working area and landfall construction compound(s), and temporary and permanent access.
- Onshore infrastructure from the transition joint bays to the electricity transmission network connection. This includes onshore export cables to two new substations, temporary construction compounds, temporary and permanent access, and onward connections to the existing National Grid substation at Penwortham, Lancashire.
- Areas for biodiversity net gain, enhancement and/ or mitigation, including permanent access for operation and maintenance of those areas.

Statutory consultation

The Project is currently in the pre-application stage of the DCO application process. As part of that process, the Project is required to carry out a statutory consultation on our Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) before our application is submitted. As such, **from 12 October 2023** the Project has been consulting on its proposals including with those stakeholders defined under Section 42(1)(d) of the Act as having an interest in the land. That consultation closed on 23 November 2023.

The Project is writing to parties that we have identified as having an interest in the land that falls within the proposed development area for the Project ('affected persons'), or otherwise meets the criteria of Section 44 of the Act. Plans showing the extent of the development area can be found on our website as part of the consultation (details below). The identification of affected persons under Section 44 of the Act is an ongoing process that will be finalised prior to submission of the DCO application.

As part of this ongoing process, you have recently been identified as having an interest in land within the proposed development area and are a prescribed consultee. As you are a newly identified prescribed consultee, we will extend the deadline for you to respond to our consultation to **22 December 2023**. During this time all the consultation material will remain available via the links below and the Project team is available to discuss any queries you may have.

In addition, section 48 of the Act and regulation 11 of the 2017 Regulations require the Applicants to publicise their proposed DCO application. A copy of the section 48 notice is attached to this letter.

Consultation materials

The Applicants have published the following consultation materials to support this consultation ("the consultation materials"):

- **Statutory Consultation Brochure**, which outlines the Project's proposals, consultation activities and summarises the PEIR;
- Statutory Consultation Feedback Form, which provides a structured method for consultees to provide their feedback;





Other consultation information

The Applicants have also published other consultation information including the following:

- Preliminary Environmental Impact Report (PEIR), which sets out the current environmental baseline, assesses the potential environmental impacts of and to the project, and proposes mitigations for potential likely significant effects;
- PEIR Non-Technical Summary, which summarises key points from the PEIR;
- Draft Development Consent Order;
- Draft Work Plans, and plans and maps showing the nature and location of the Project;
- Statement of Community Consultation ("SoCC"), which sets out how the Applicants will consult local communities during the statutory consultation;
- **Statutory Consultation Poster**, which explains how people can take part in the consultation, attend an event and provide feedback;
- Consultation newsletter, a newsletter which summarises key information about the Project:
- A copy of the notice published in accordance with **section 48** of the PA 2008 and Regulation 13 of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment)

The consultation materials, Preliminary Environmental Information Report and other consultation information can also be accessed via the Consultation Hub on the Project website at: <u>https://morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission/.</u>

All consultation materials are available on the Project website. If you would like a paper copy of the consultation materials, or any other document that has been published in connection with the consultation, please let us know, using the contact details given below. In accordance with this notice, costs starting from £0.28p per page may be associated with larger requests to cover printing and postage. Alternatively, if you would like a USB containing the documents, please let us know and we will send one free of charge. For aueries relating to accessing documents. plans and maps please email anv info@morecambeandmorgan.com or call 0800 915 2493 (option 3).

This letter and its contents form part of the consultation process required by the Act, and we would like your feedback on our proposals and the Preliminary Environmental Information Report. Your comments will help us refine our proposals. The deadline for submitting your response to the consultation is 23:59 on 22 December 2023.

Taking part in this consultation

There are several ways to submit feedback:

- **Completing and returning** the enclosed feedback form
- By email to info@morecambeandmorgan.com
- In writing to FREEPOST MORECAMBE AND MORGAN

(please be advised it is not possible to send registered post to a freepost address)

When providing your response, please include your name and contact details (a postal or email address) and confirm the nature of your interest in the Project.

Any comments and representations received will be reviewed and considered by the Applicants and any appointed agent of the Applicant. Copies of comments and representations will be made available in due course to the Secretary of State, the Planning Inspectorate, and other relevant statutory authorities as part of a Consultation Report to be submitted with the Application and will therefore be made publicly available.



The Project held an online webinar on 6th November 2023 and a recording of this can be found at https://morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission/our-consultation/consultationhub/ under the header "Materials from previous consultations".

The Applicants welcome further engagement with you on any other matters related to the Project that interest you outside of this consultation. The planning process expects developers and consultees to work together to resolve as many issues as possible before an application is submitted. This consultation and our wider engagement are key parts of this process, and we hope that you will use this opportunity to engage with us.

If you wish to discuss your land interest/s, then please contact our land agent team, Dalcour Maclaren, by email at: morecambeandmorgan@dalcourmaclaren.com or by calling: 0333 034 7962.

Kind regards

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Feedback Form







E1.11.2 Refinement of the onshore cable corridor and newly identified Persons with an Interest in the Land 2: 23 February to 24 March 2024







E1.11.2.1 Example letter sent to Group 1 consultees





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Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets ("the Project")

Targeted Statutory consultation under Section 42(1)(d) of the Planning Act 2008 – Friday 23 February 2024 – Sunday 24 March 2024

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The identification of affected persons under section 44 of the Act is an ongoing process and since the original consultation closed on 23 November 2023, we have identified that you have an interest in the land that falls within the proposed development area for the Project ('affected proposal'), or otherwise meets the criteria of section 44 of the Act. As a recently identified interest, we are now consulting you in relation to the same materials (as presented during the original consultation period) under Section 42(1)(d) of the Act.

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If you wish to discuss your land interest/s more specifically, then please contact our land agent team, Dalcour Maclaren, by email at: <u>morecambeandmorgan@dalcourmaclaren.com</u> or by calling: 0333 188 5374.

Kind regards,

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E1.11.2.2 Supporting information on the proposed minor onshore route amendments





MORGAN AND MORECAMBE OFFSHORE WIND FARMS: TRANSMISSION ASSETS

Targeted Statutory Consultation

Annex 1a: Supporting information on the proposed minor onshore route amendments







Annex 1a: Supporting information on the proposed minor onshore route amendments

The proposed amendments which are the subject of this Targeted Statutory Consultation are located entirely onshore (with these being minor amendments relating to the onshore ECC, temporary access tracks, temporary compounds and operational access routes).

The location of the 41 proposed amendments is presented in **Annex 2a: Overview Map Book** and **Annex 2b: Detailed Map Book**. The rationale for the individual amendments is set out in **Table 2** and identified by the key presented in **Table 1**.

Table 1 Key used to identify amendments in Table 2.

	Onshore Export Cable Corridor, where the amended cable route is located outside of
ECC	the PEIR Red Line Boundary
TAT	Temporary access track, where this is located outside of the PEIR Red Line Boundary
	Operational access routes, both pre- and post-construction, where these are located
OAR	outside of the PEIR Red Line Boundary
	Temporary construction compounds, where these are located outside of the PEIR Red
TCC	Line Boundary

Table 2 Change ID and reason for the proposed minor onshore route amendments.

Change ID	Reason for change	
Operational Access Route (OAR)		
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities	
OAR.1.001	for the onshore ECC off of Peel Road and onto Anna's Road.	
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities	
OAR.1.002	for the onshore ECC off of Peel Road.	
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities	
OAR.1.003	for the onshore ECC south off of Bryning Hall Farm.	
	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and	
OAR.1.004A-C	maintenance activities off of Huck Lane.	
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities	
OAR.1.005A-H	for the onshore ECC west off of Brynning Lane.	
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities	
OAR.1.006	for the onshore ECC off of Brynning Lane.	
	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and	
	maintenance activities further south off of Brynning Lane and runs parallel to	
OAR.1.007	Greenacres Caravan Park along the Public Right of Way (PRoW) (FP0503002).	
	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and	
OAR.1.008	maintenance activities north off of Hillock Lane and Nearer Hillock Farm.	
	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and	
OAR.1.009	maintenance activities north off of Hillock Lane and Nearer Hillock Farm.	
	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and	
OAR.1.010	maintenance activities off of Kirkham Road.	





	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and
OAR.1.011	maintenance activities off of B5261 to the northeast of Blackpool Airport.
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
OAR.1.012	for the onshore ECC off of Ballam Road.
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
OAR.1.013	for the onshore ECC off of Saltcoates Road.
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
	for the onshore ECC off of Hillock Lane, near to Nearer Hillock Farm along the
OAR.1.014A-D	PRoW (FP0503004).
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
	for the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid off of Thames
OAR.1.015	Street and along the PRoW (FP0509005).
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
	for the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid off of Lund Way
OAR.1.016	and along the PRoW (BW0509012).
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
	for the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid off of Blackpool
OAR.1.017	Road, A583.
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
	for the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid off of Blackpool
OAR.1.018	Road, A583 close to New Hall Farm.
	Operational access added for routine maintenance activities for an area
OAR.1.019	providing mitigation, enhancement and or net gain off of Skip Lane.
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
OAR.1.020	for the onshore ECC off of Ballam Road, north of Bridge Farm.
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
OAR.1.021	for the onshore ECC off of North Houses Lane.
OAR.1.022	Operational access added for routine maintenance activities for an area
UAN. 1.022	providing mitigation, enhancement and or net gain off of West Moss Lane.Operational access added for routine maintenance activities for an area
OAR.1.023	•
	providing mitigation, enhancement and or net gain off of Rattan Lane.
Unshore Export C	able Corridor (ECC) Onshore ECC re-routed and optionality included due to landowner feedback
ECC.1.001	and presence of an ecological designation (priority habitat) to allow for further feedback and refinement.
ECC.1.001	
	Onshore ECC widened east of Peel Road to allow for the potentially complex transhore crossing of chotcolog including the public highway and high pressure
	trenchless crossing of obstacles including the public highway and high pressure
ECC.1.002	gas pipeline.
ECC 1 002	Onshore ECC widened east of Huck Lane to allow for the potentially complex transhore grouping of obstacles including the public highway and railway line
ECC.1.003	trenchless crossing of obstacles including the public highway and railway line.
	Onshore ECC moved north to provide further distance and reduce the potential
ECC.1.004	impact on residential houses on Bryning Lane.
F00 4 005	Onshore ECC moved north, north of Hillock Lane, to provide further distance
ECC.1.005	and reduce potential impact on the woodland.





Temporary Access	s Track (TAT)
TAT.1.001A-B	TAT widened at the junction of Cartmell Lane and Huck Lane to increase the
	visibility splay in order to improve safety.
TAT.1.002	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay along Huck Lane
	close to Woodside Farm to in order to improve safety.
TAT.1.003A-B	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay close to the
	junction of Bryning Lane and Wrea Brook in order to improve safety.
TAT.1.004	TAT added with associated visibility splay along the B5410.
TAT.1.005	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay close to the
	junction of Hillock Lane and PRoW (FP0503004) in order to improve safety.
TAT.1.006	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay along Kirkham
	Road to improve safety.
TAT.1.007	TAT added along the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid
	off of Blackpool Road.
TAT.1.008	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay just south of the
	junction of Kirkham Road and The Chaltons in order to improve safety.
TAT.1.009	TAT moved north along Saltcoates Road due to a reduction in the temporary
	onshore ECC width and in addition to avoid residential gardens.
	Temporary access track along the Onshore ECC added off of Cartmell Lane in
TAT.1.010	order to provide access either side of Wrea Brook.
	TAT and visibility splay added along the A59 to serve access to 400kV grid
TAT.1.011	connection cable corridor to the national grid, in order to improve safety.
Temporary Construction Compound (TCC)	
	TCC extended along Bryning Lane to allow temporary access into the
TCC.1.001	compound.
	TCC has been added for Morecambe off of Hillock Lane to facilitate access for
TCC.1.002	the construction of the onshore ECC.

The operational access routes have been designed and included along the onshore ECC and 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid, to enable access for routine operation and maintenance activities. For example, for the inspection of link boxes where corrective activities may be required. Further information regarding the operation and maintenance period can be found online via the Project's Information Hub https://morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission/ PEIR Volume 1, Chapter 3: Project Description.

The Project will be seeking to put in place voluntary agreements with affected landowners. However, the Project will also be applying for compulsory acquisition powers where agreements cannot be reached by negotiation. It should be noted that the Project will remove and reinstate all temporary construction accesses as previously proposed in the PEIR. Where the Project requires an operational access right over an existing track or public right of way, powers will be sought to secure ongoing rights of access, including rights to remove any obstructions, including the maintenance of existing vegetation to enable safe access and egress.





Please note that references to specific PRoWs cited in Table 2 can be found online via the Project's Information Hub <u>https://morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission/</u> PEIR Volume 3, Figures: 6.2 Public Rights of Way.

As detailed above, the Project is not proposing any amendments affecting the intertidal (i.e. the area between Mean Low Water Springs and Mean High Water Springs (MLWS)) or offshore areas (i.e. seawards of MLWS) of the PEIR red line boundary. Therefore, this Targeted Statutory Consultation only relates to the minor changes detailed in this letter and accompanying materials.

Environmental topic specialists have reviewed the potential for any new receptors to be affected by the proposed amendments, or for there to be any potential change to the impacts and/or effects presented in PEIR. Due to the minor nature of the proposed amendments, no new receptors or changes to the assessments presented at PEIR have been identified for the following topics:

- Socio-economics;
- Aviation and radar;
- Climate change; and
- Historic environment.

For the remaining topics areas, a review of the potential for changes related to the environment impact assessments presented at PEIR has been undertaken using the criteria set out in **Table 3** and presented in full within **Annex 3: EIA Assessment Table**. A summary of the findings of this process is set out in **Table 4**.

Grey	No change identified to the receptors or the relevant assessments presented at PEIR.
Cells	
	Text is provided in the cell to clarify this outcome where deemed useful.
Green	No new/additional receptors to be affected. The impact identified within the relevant
Cells	assessments presented at PEIR would be reduced.
	Text is provided in the cell to clarify this outcome where deemed useful.
Amber	Potential for new/additional receptors to be affected and/or a change to an impact or effect
Cells	assessed in the PEIR. The changes would not affect the conclusions in the PEIR.
	Text is provided in the cell to clarify this outcome where deemed useful.
Red Cells	Potential for new/additional receptors to be affected and/or an increase to an impact or effect
	assessed in the PEIR. The changes would be material and/or the conclusions of the
	assessment would be affected and give rise to additional significant effects.
	Text is provided in the cell to clarify this outcome.

Table 3 Key to environmental assessment presented in EIA Assessment Table





Table 4 Summary of environmental assessment of the proposed minor onshore route amendments.

Geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC, operational access routes or temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

One of the amendments in relation to temporary access tracks (TAT.1.007) would result in an increased area of works within one Source Protection Zone III (SPZ). However, no new receptors would be introduced as the 400 kV grid connection corridor search area was assessed within the SPZ III as part of the PEIR and the increased area would not change the conclusions of the PEIR. No changes to the receptors or potential new sources of contamination have been identified beyond those already identified in the PEIR. No changes to the assessments in the PEIR are therefore required and the conclusions remain valid.

Hydrology and flood risk

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC, temporary access tracks or temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

The amended operational access routes would result in infrequent vehicle movements closer to some watercourses along field margins that were previously further from any proposed activity. Such changes are considered minor and will not affect the assessment and conclusions set out in the PEIR.

Onshore ecology and nature conservation

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC or temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

Two of the minor changes relating to temporary access tracks (TAT.1.003B, TAT.1.010) would result in a greater length of the Wrea Brook being located within the area of works and additional hedgerows/ponds located in closer proximity. These receptor types and the species that they support were assessed within PEIR. Therefore, the changes are considered minor and will not affect the assessment set out in the PEIR and the conclusions remain valid.

The use of existing tracks or fields to provide operational access routes on an occasional basis would not affect the conclusions presented in the PEIR.

Onshore and intertidal ornithology

None of the minor amendments to the temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

One of the minor changes relating to the location of the onshore ECC route (ECC.1.001) and temporary access tracks (TAT.1.010) would result in an increased area of works in closer proximity to functionally linked land (an area which contains sensitive habitats which supports overwintering birds). One of the proposed operational access routes (OAR.1.001) is also located in this area. These were assessed in the PEIR. The study area that was applied at PEIR for ornithological features was 500m from the PEIR Red Line Boundary. Where the temporary access tracks and operational access routes have been amended, the study area is no longer 500 m at all locations. However, based on the available desktop information and survey data for consideration, no new or additional receptors are anticipated. The changes are considered minor and will not affect the assessment set out in the PEIR.

Land use and agriculture





None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC or operational access routes would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

The minor amendments to temporary access tracks and temporary construction compounds present additional impacts to some landholdings, but not to a scale that would affect the conclusions presented in the PEIR.

Where the minor amendments (TAT.1.004) potentially impact on the main bridleway route along Huck Lane (PRoW BW0503012), the potential disruption was already assessed within the PEIR and would be managed through the Public Rights of Way (PRoW) Management Plan. As such, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Traffic and transport

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC, operational access routes or temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

Minor amendments (TAT.1.010, TAT.1.011) to introduce new temporary accesses onto the highway network present the potential to change traffic distribution locally in construction phase. However, the scale of this would not change the conclusions of the PEIR. The minor amendments will not result in any changes to the receptors identified and assessed within the PEIR and so the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Noise and vibration

None of the minor amendments to the temporary access tracks or operational access routes would result in any change to the identified receptors or any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

One of the amendments to the onshore ECC (ECC.1.001) would be closer to Great Carr Side Farm and Woodside Farm Huck Lane. However, this option would also be further away from Bryning Hall Farm to the north east. Another, minor amendment to the temporary construction compounds would result in additional receptors closer to the revised temporary construction compound location (TCC.1.002) (Olroy House, Nearer Hillock Farm and Further Hillock Farm). The minor amendments will not result in any changes to the assessment presented within the PEIR and the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Air quality

None of the minor amendments to the temporary access tracks, temporary construction compounds or operational access routes would result in any change to the identified receptors or any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

One of the amendments for the onshore ECC (ECC.1.001) would result in some construction activity in closer proximity to small number of residential receptors. However, this would not alter risk levels for dust assigned in accordance with Institute of Air Quality Management guidance. Therefore, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Seascape, landscape and visual resources

None of the minor amendments to the temporary construction compounds or operational access routes would result in any change to the identified receptors or any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

The amendment to the onshore ECC (ECC.1.001) would be located closer to visual receptors at Great Carr Side Farm and Woodside Farm Huck Lane, equestrians using bridleway at Huck Lane, and walkers using footpath linking Huck Lane and Great Carr Side Farm. This would result in higher levels of temporary visual impacts during construction for some specific receptors. The minor amendments to temporary access tracks (TAT.1.002, TAT.1.003A-B, TAT.1.005, TAT.1.006, TAT.1.010 & TAT.1.011)





present potential loss of hedgerow, but also potential reduction in temporary visual impacts where existing screening is unaffected. Despite the changed proximity of receptors, these are limited and the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Human health

No significant health effects were identified at PEIR. The minor amendments presented in **Table 2** would not result in any changes to the receptors identified and assessed within the PEIR and the conclusions of the PEIR would remain valid.

Conclusion

The environmental assessment of the proposed onshore route amendments has concluded that only minor changes to receptors remain within the assessments set out in the PEIR and the PEIR conclusions remain valid. No new receptors have been identified as a result of the changes being consulted upon that will require assessment above and beyond that set out in the PEIR.

A full assessment of all proposed changes taken forward into the DCO application will be presented in the Environmental Statement submitted by the Project in support of the final DCO application.







E1.11.2.3 Overview Map Book



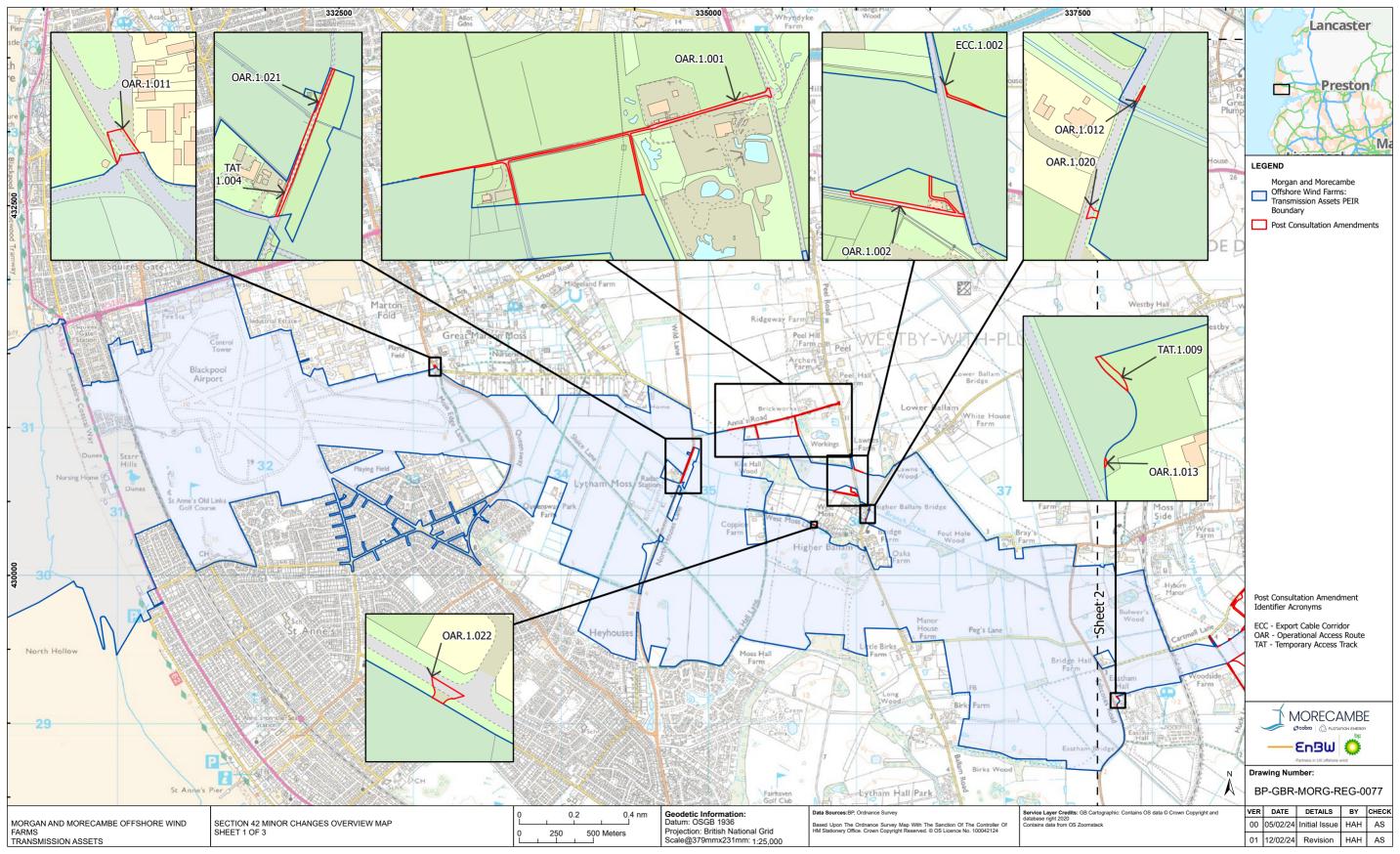
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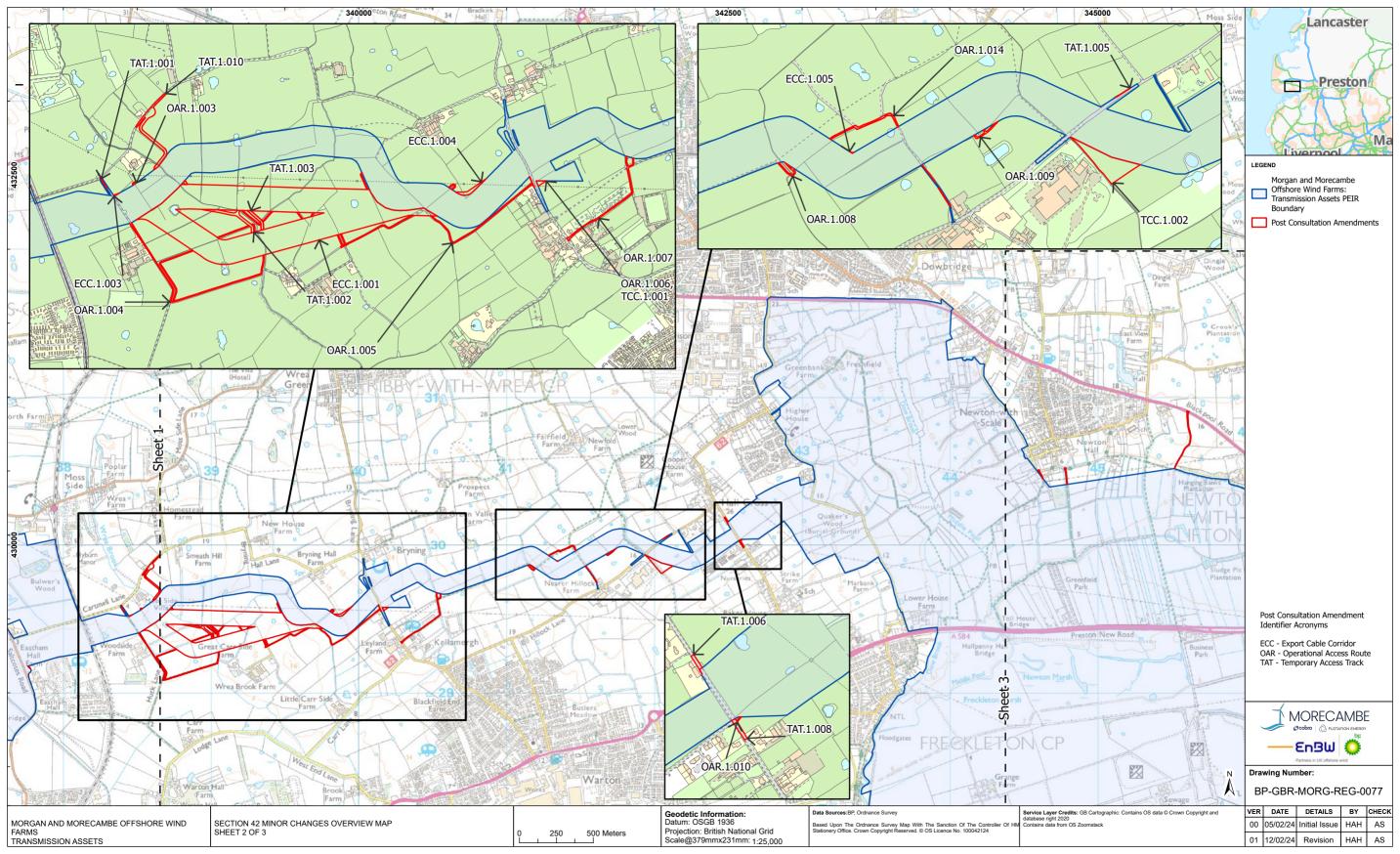
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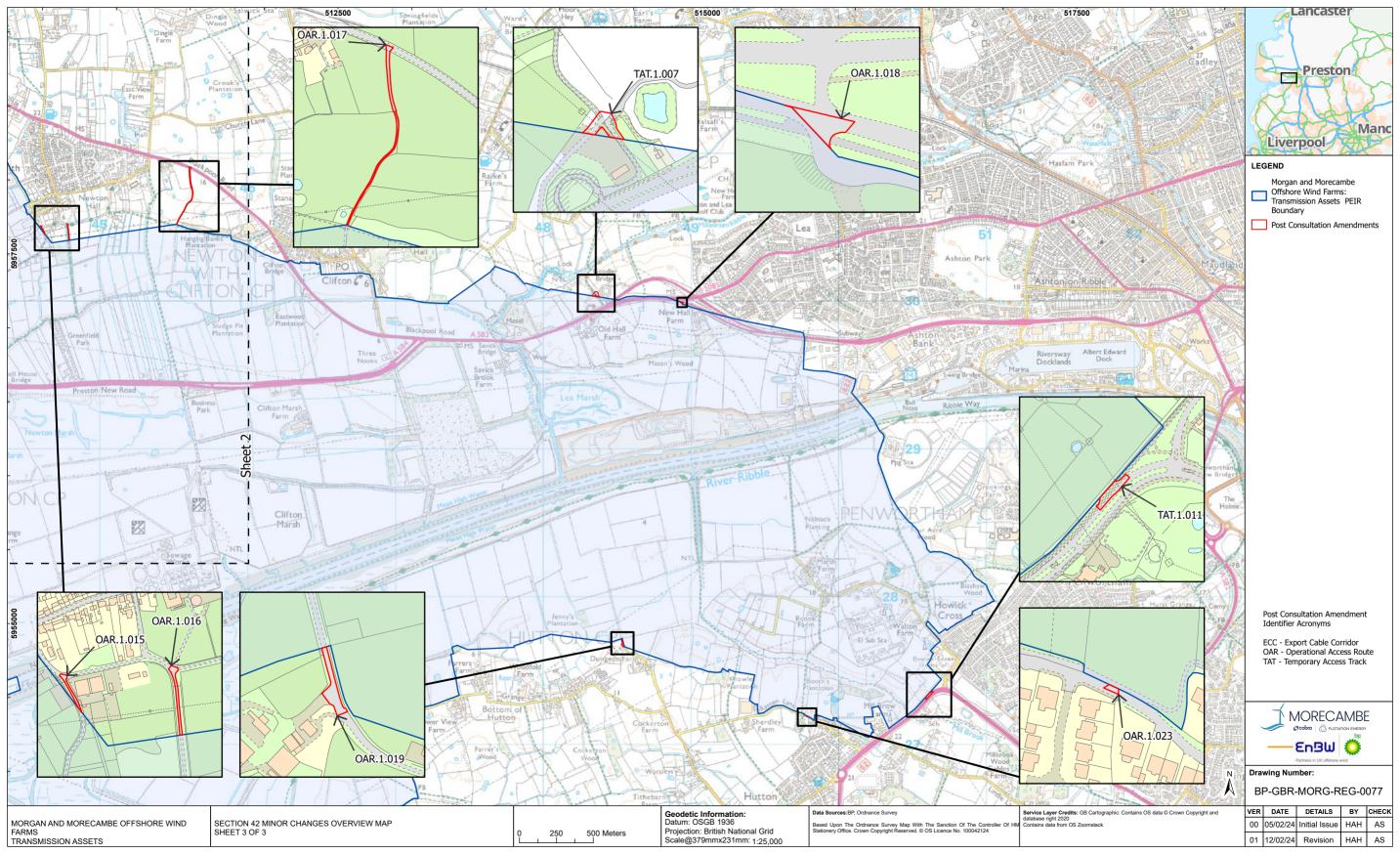
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E1.11.2.4 Detailed Map Book



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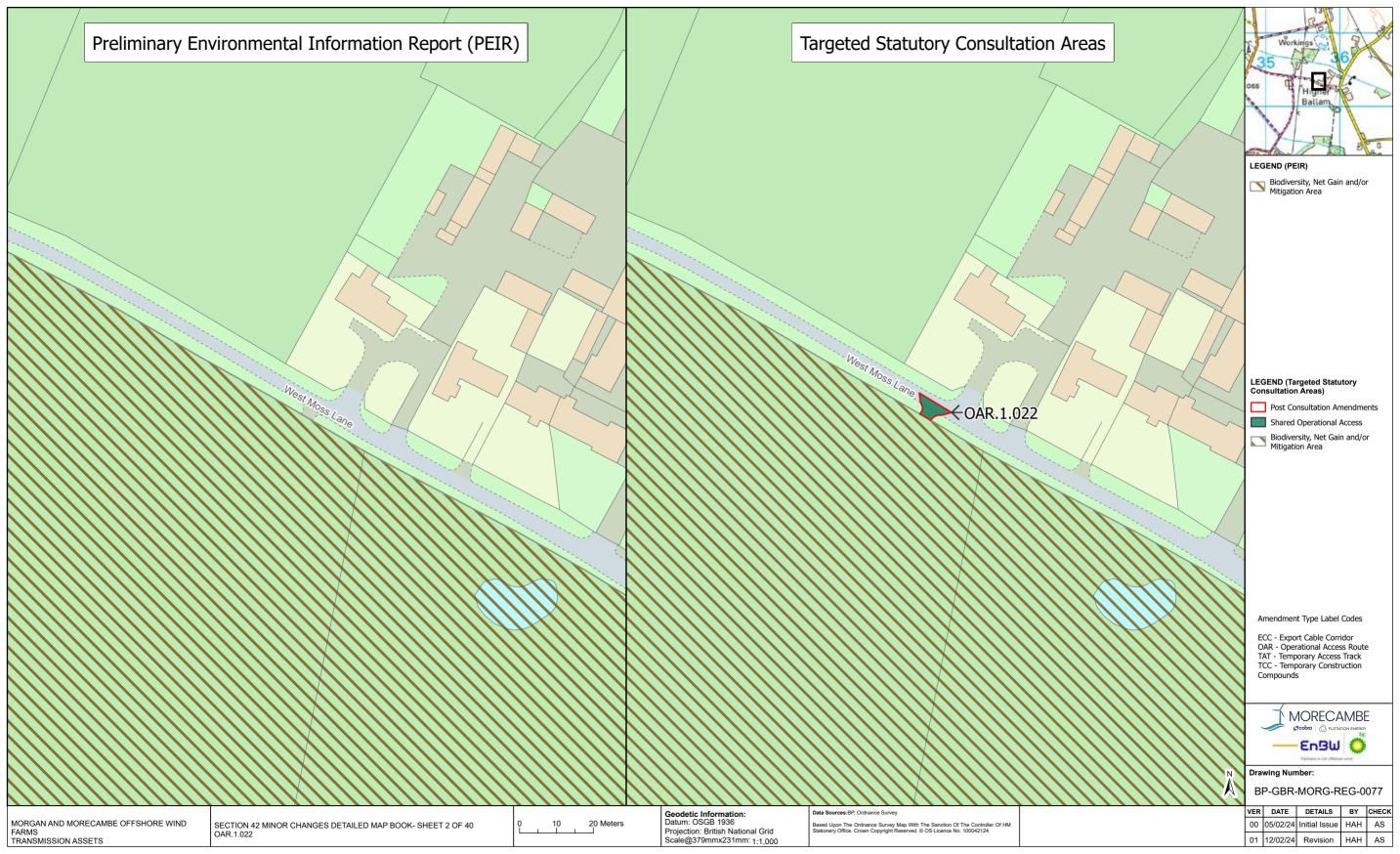
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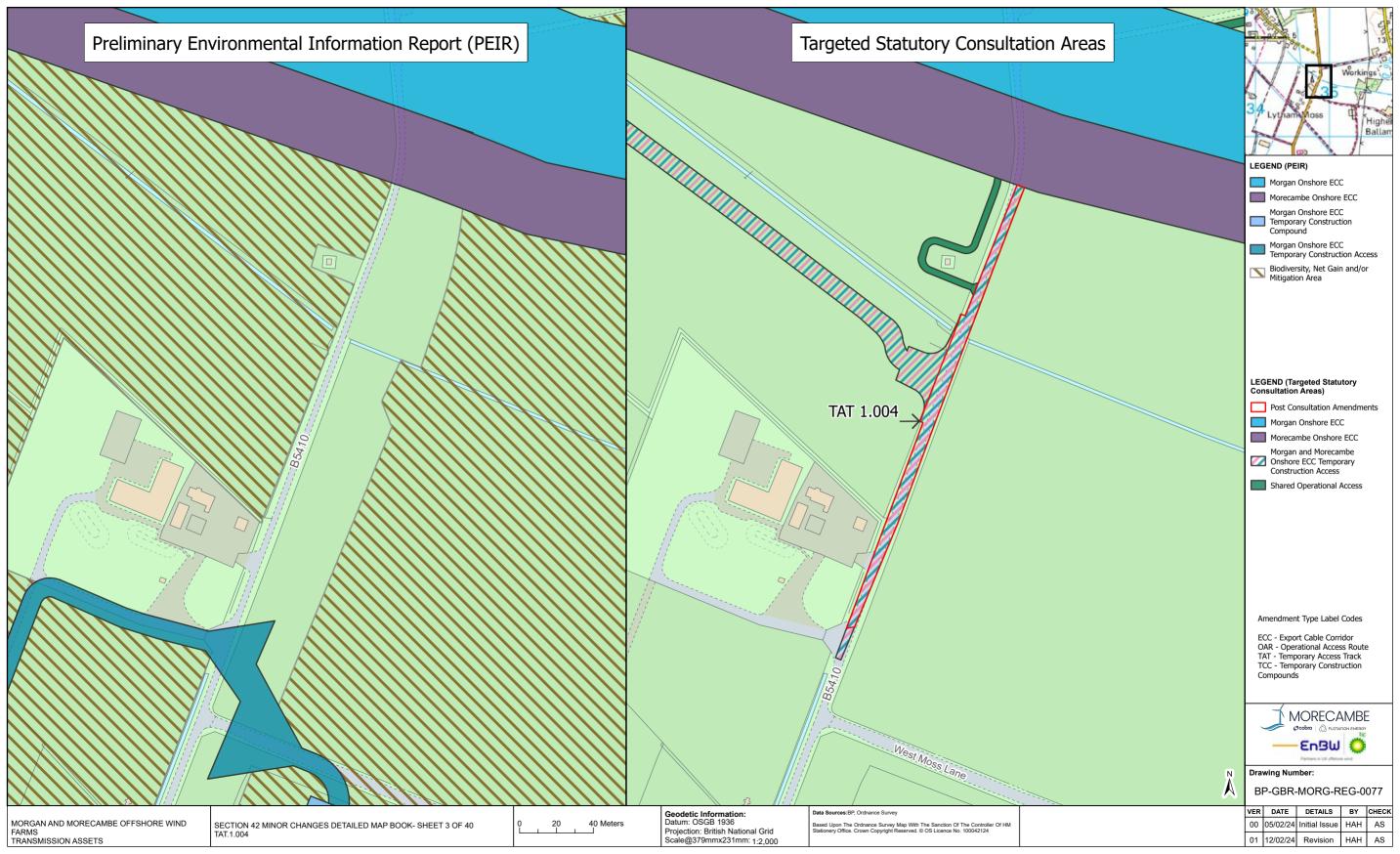
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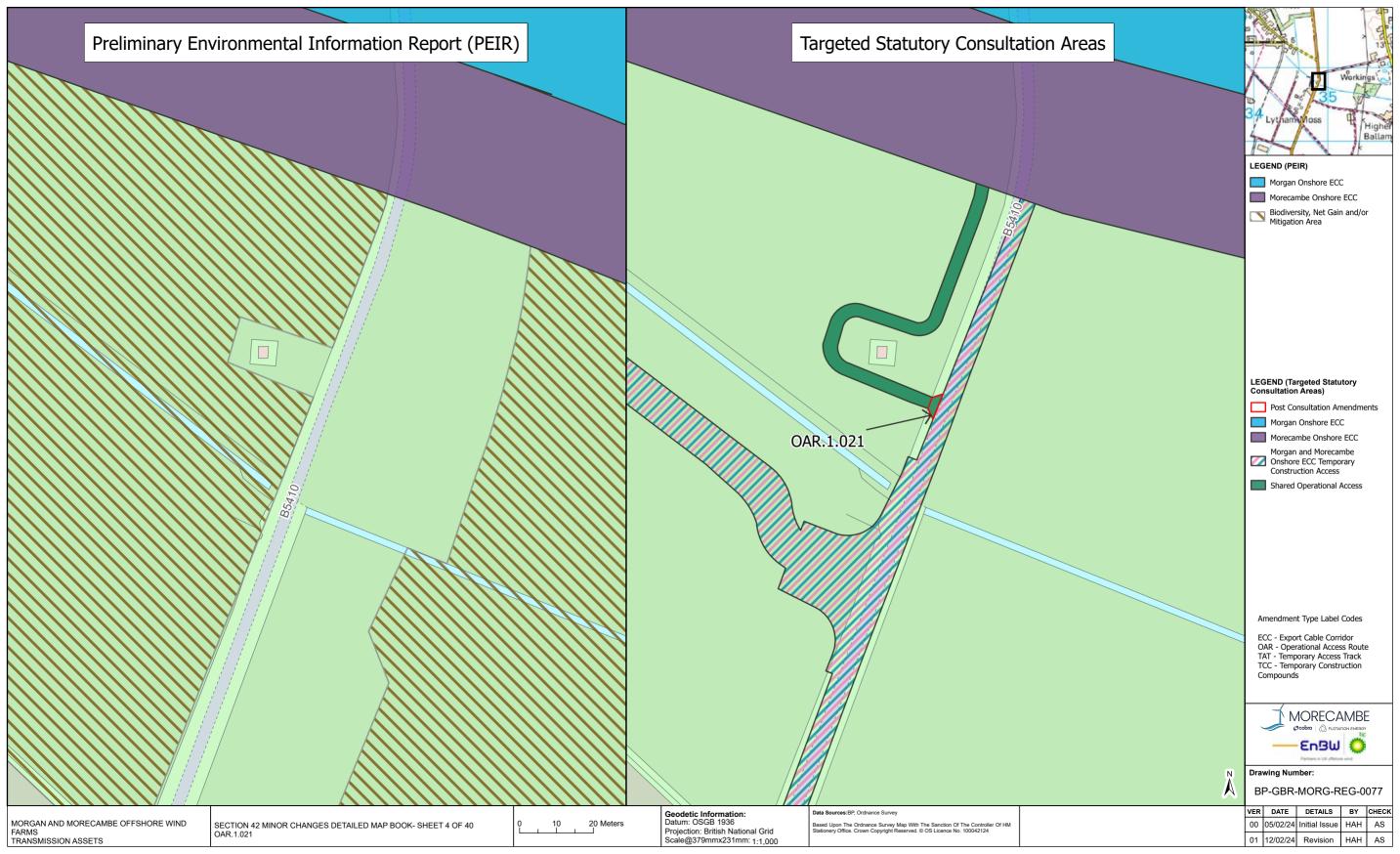


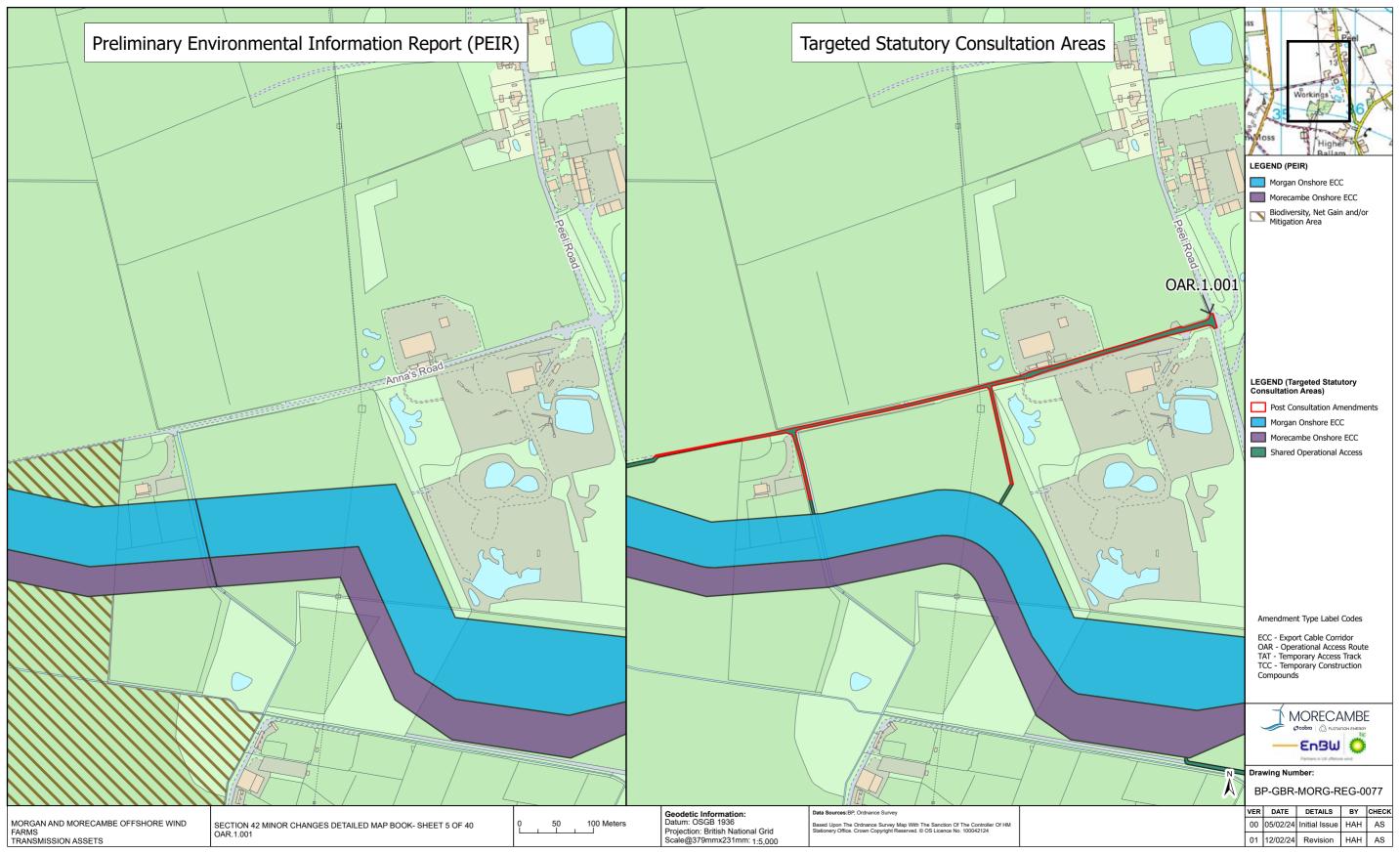


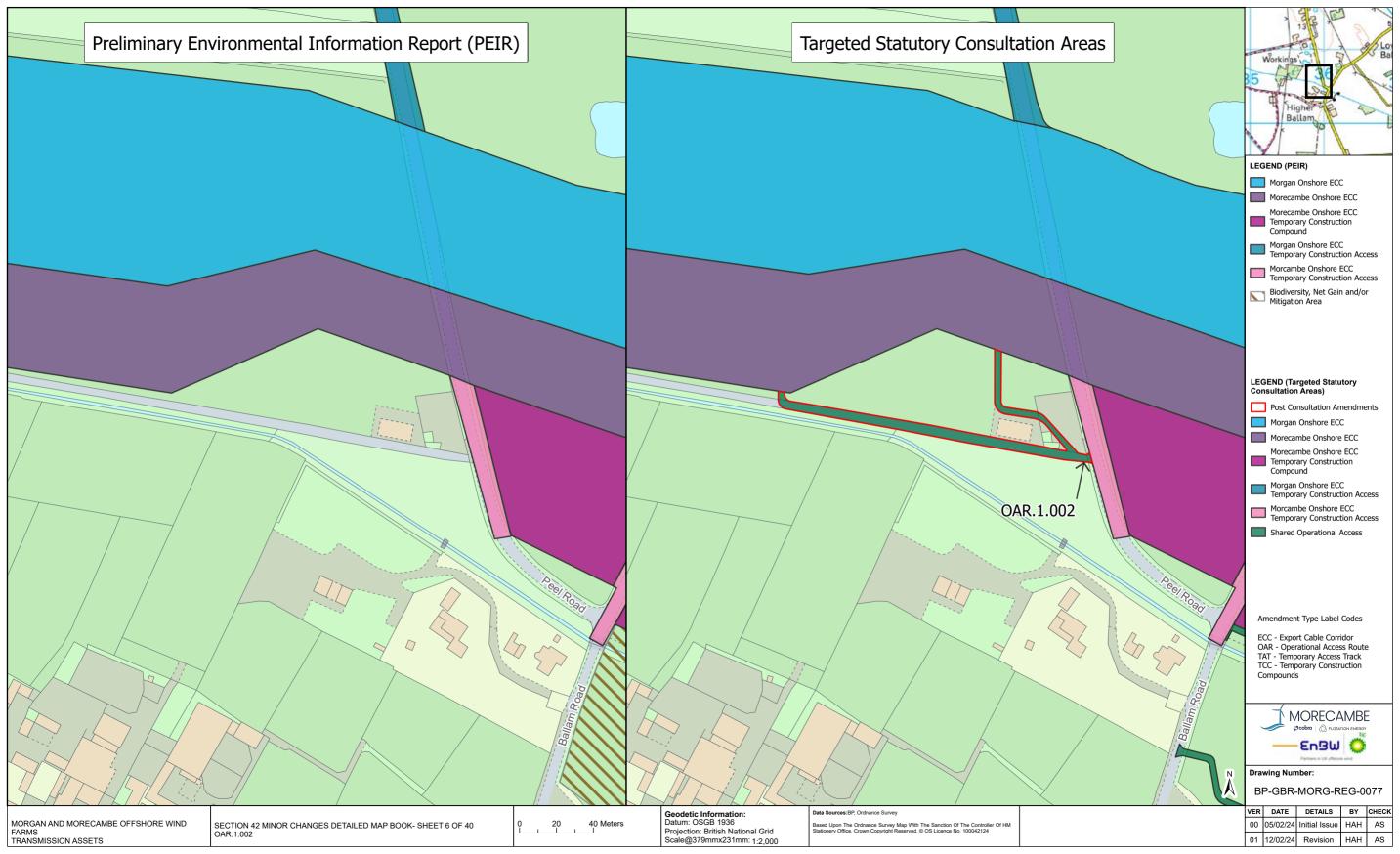


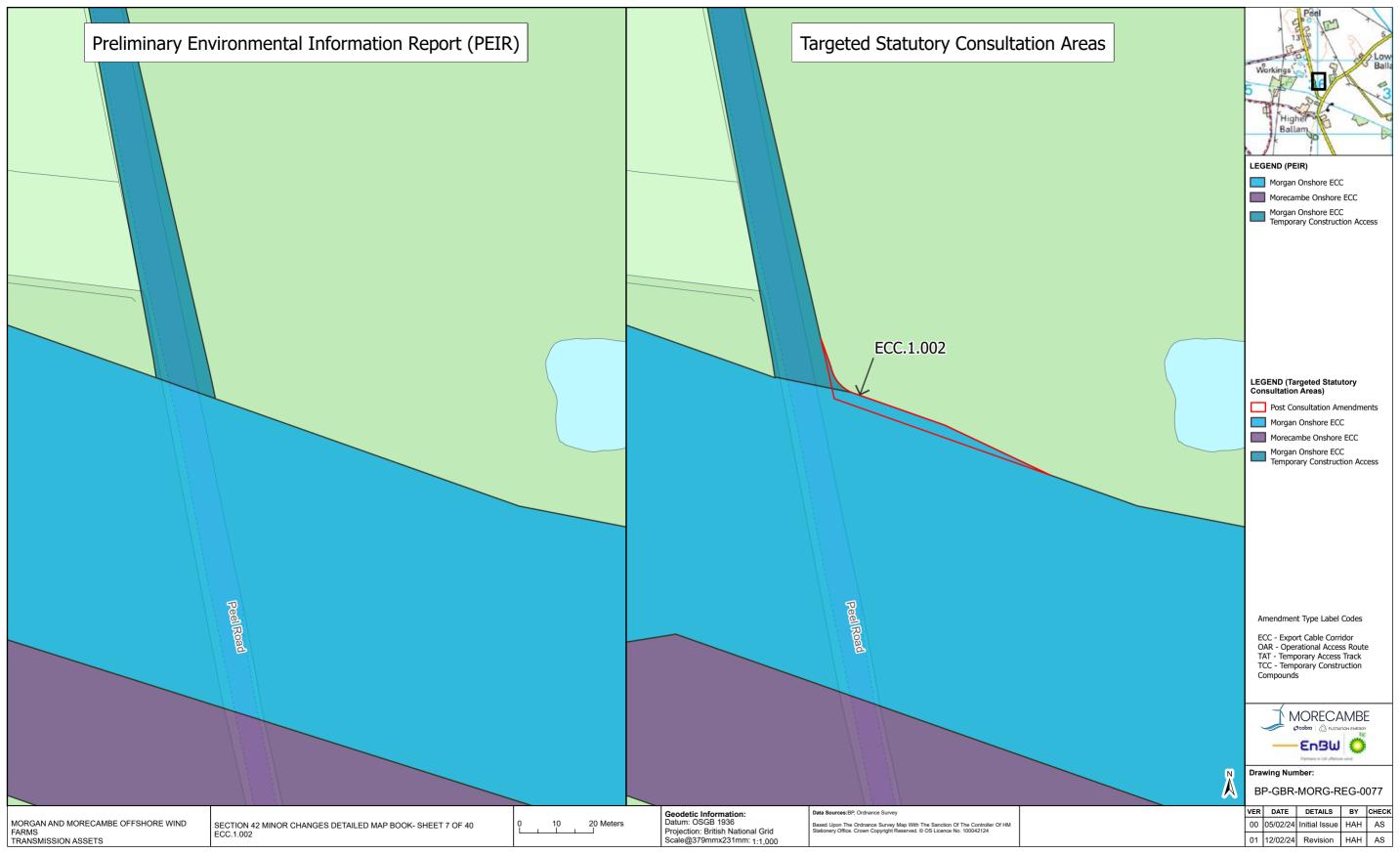


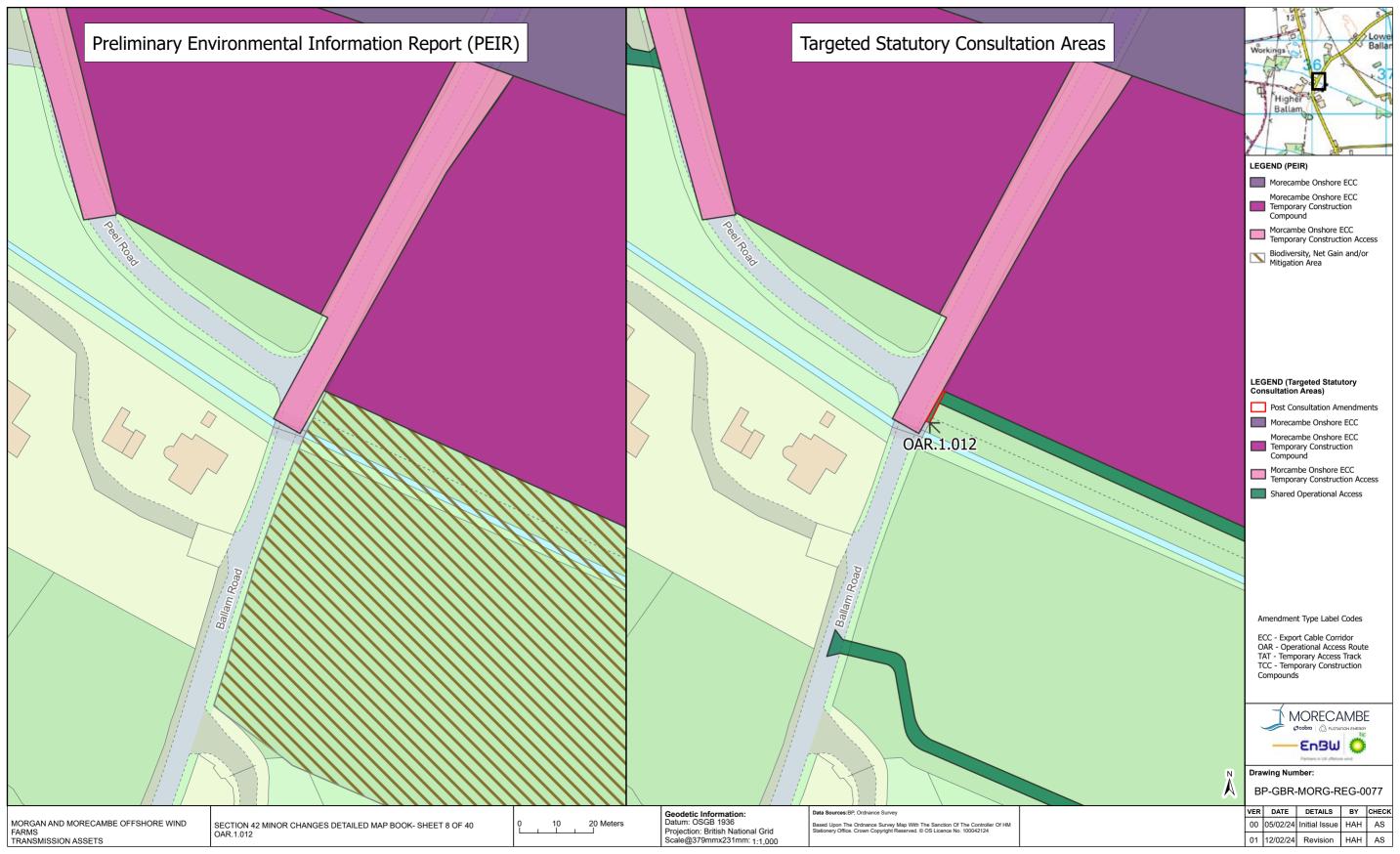


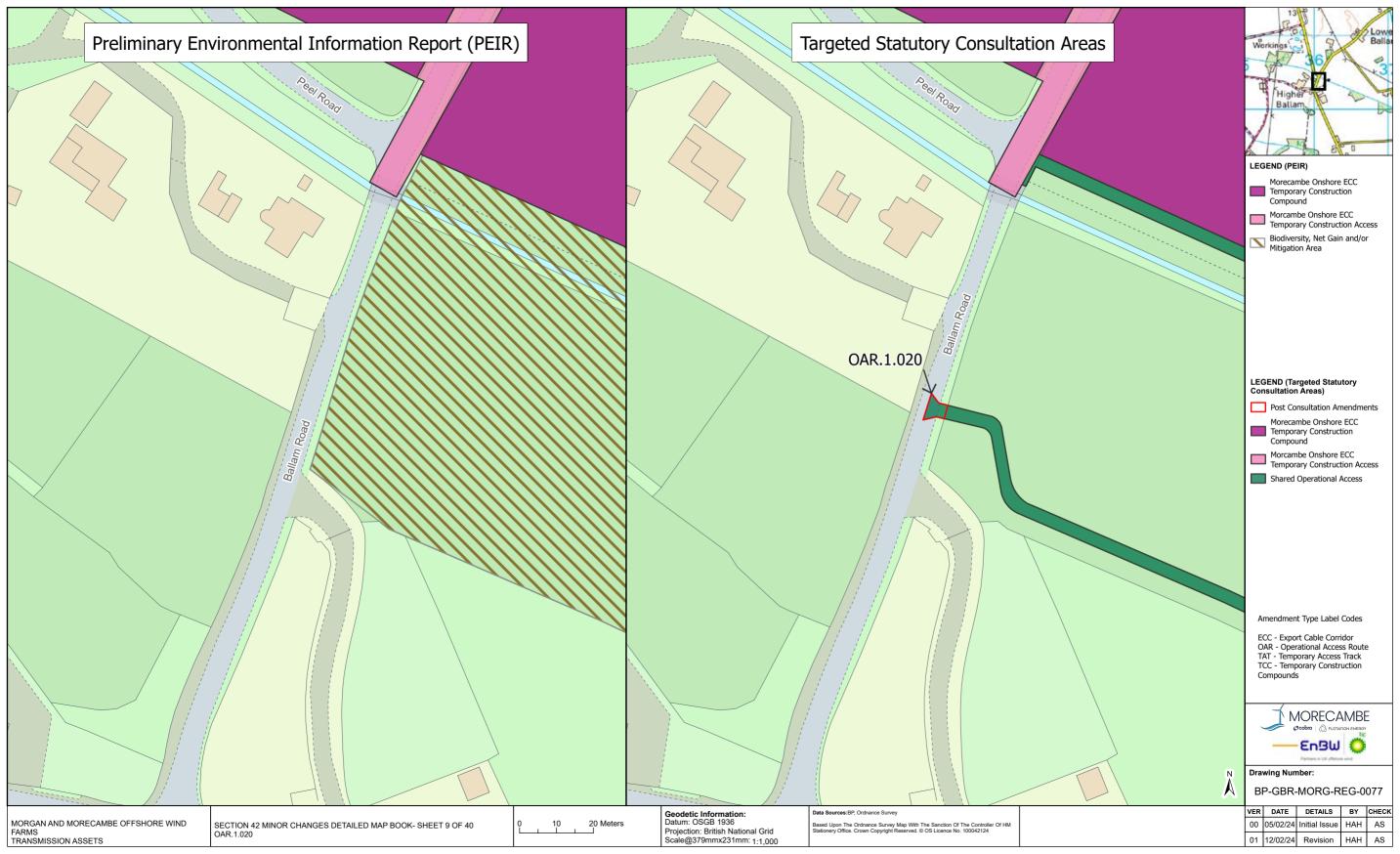






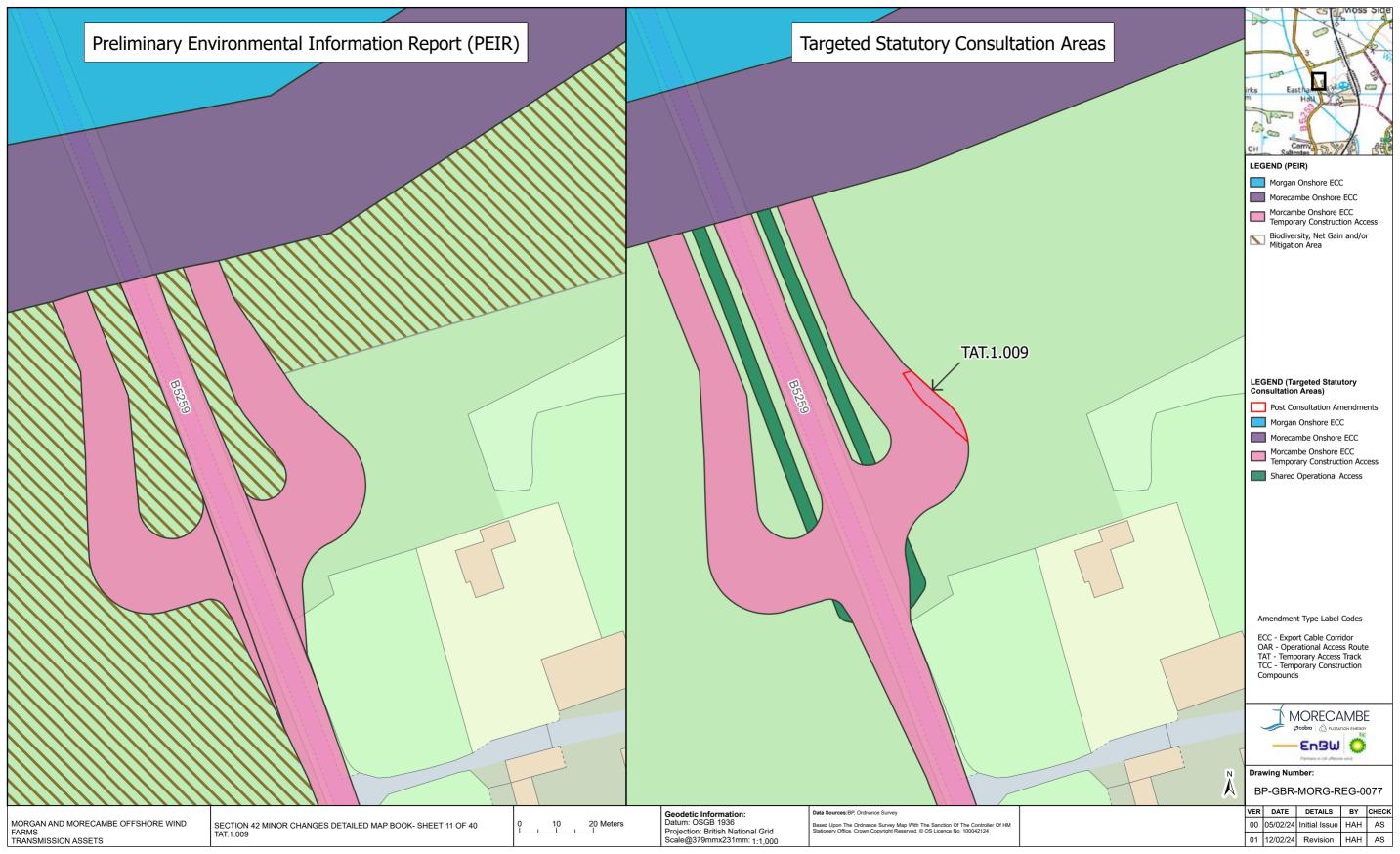


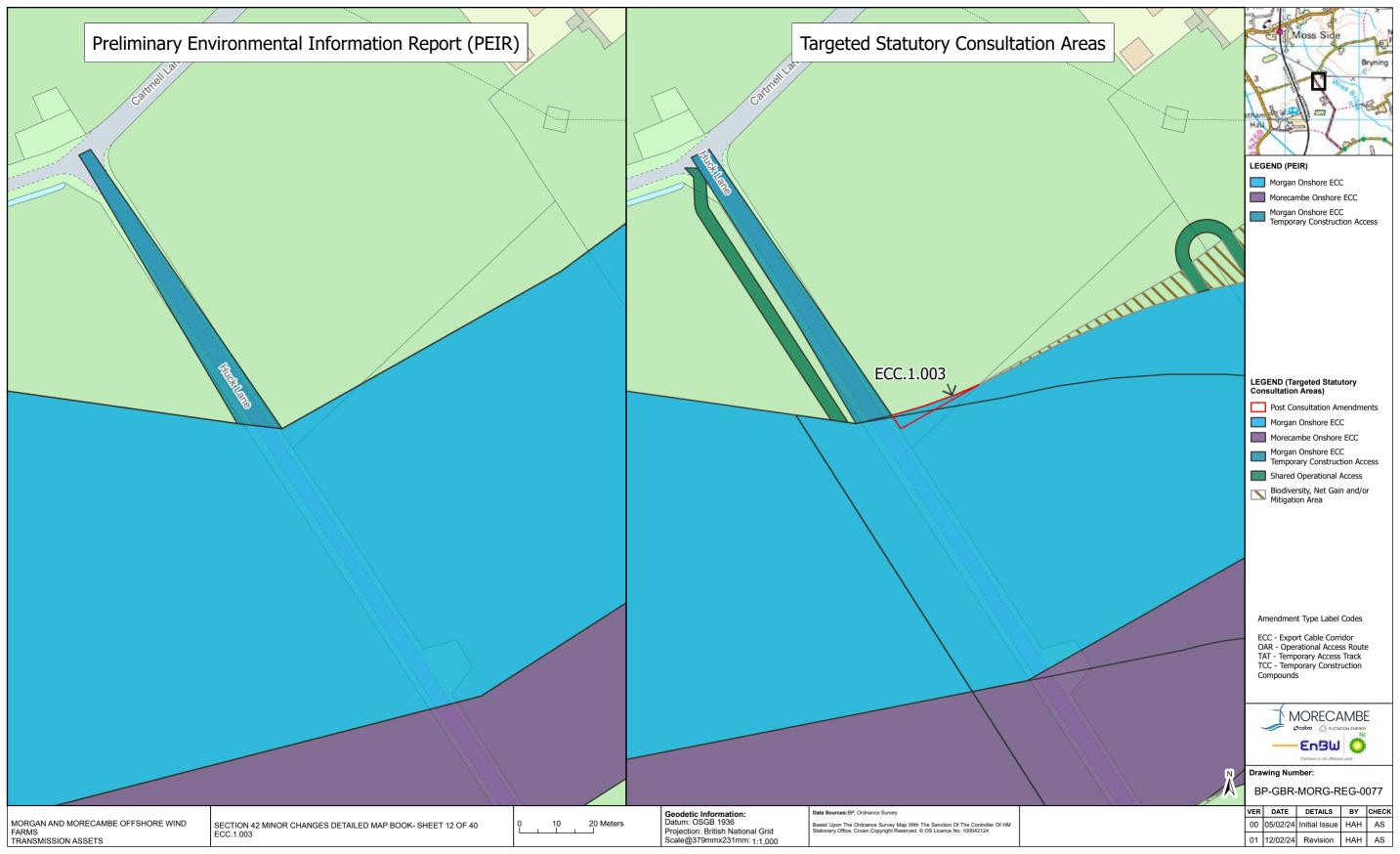


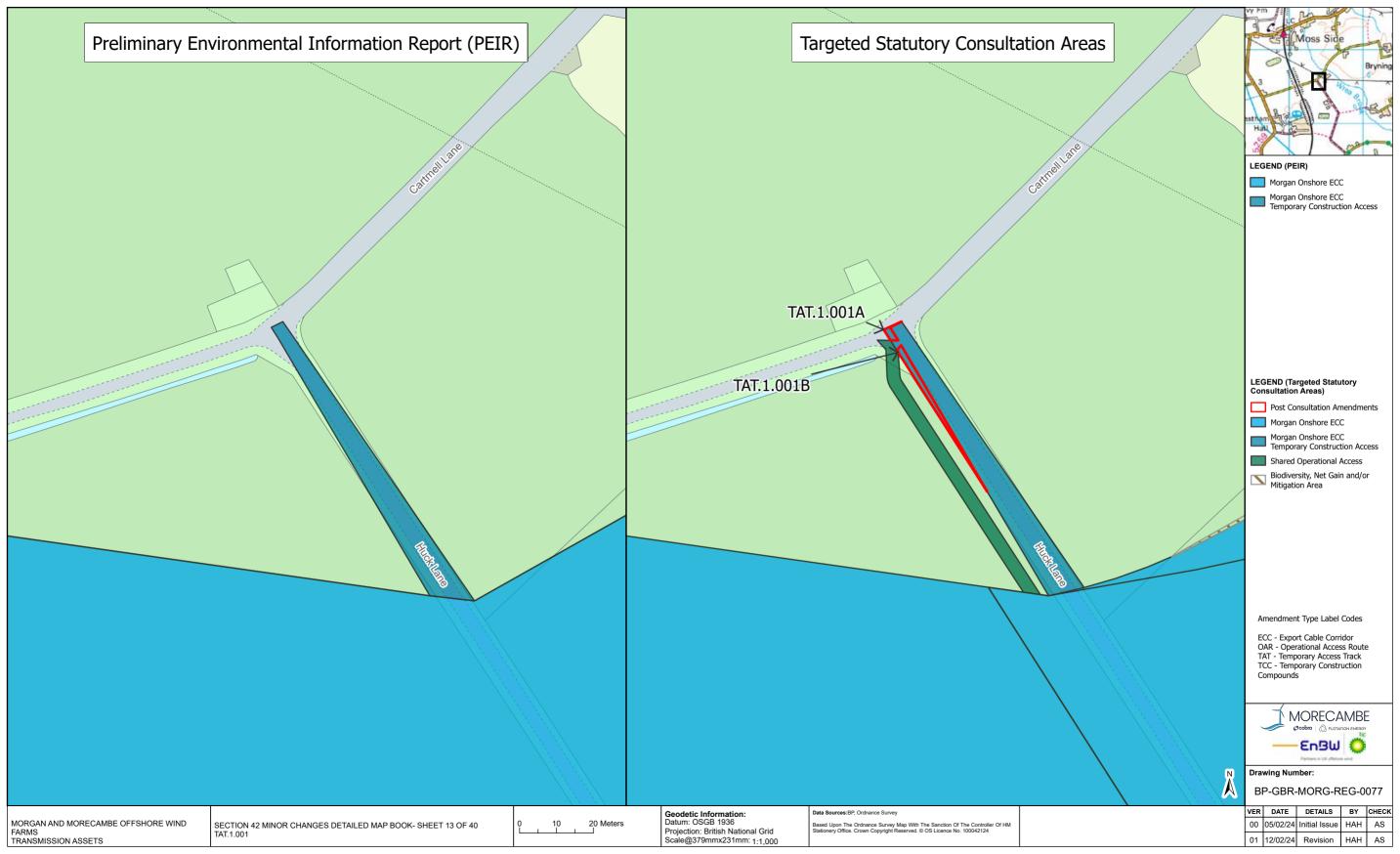


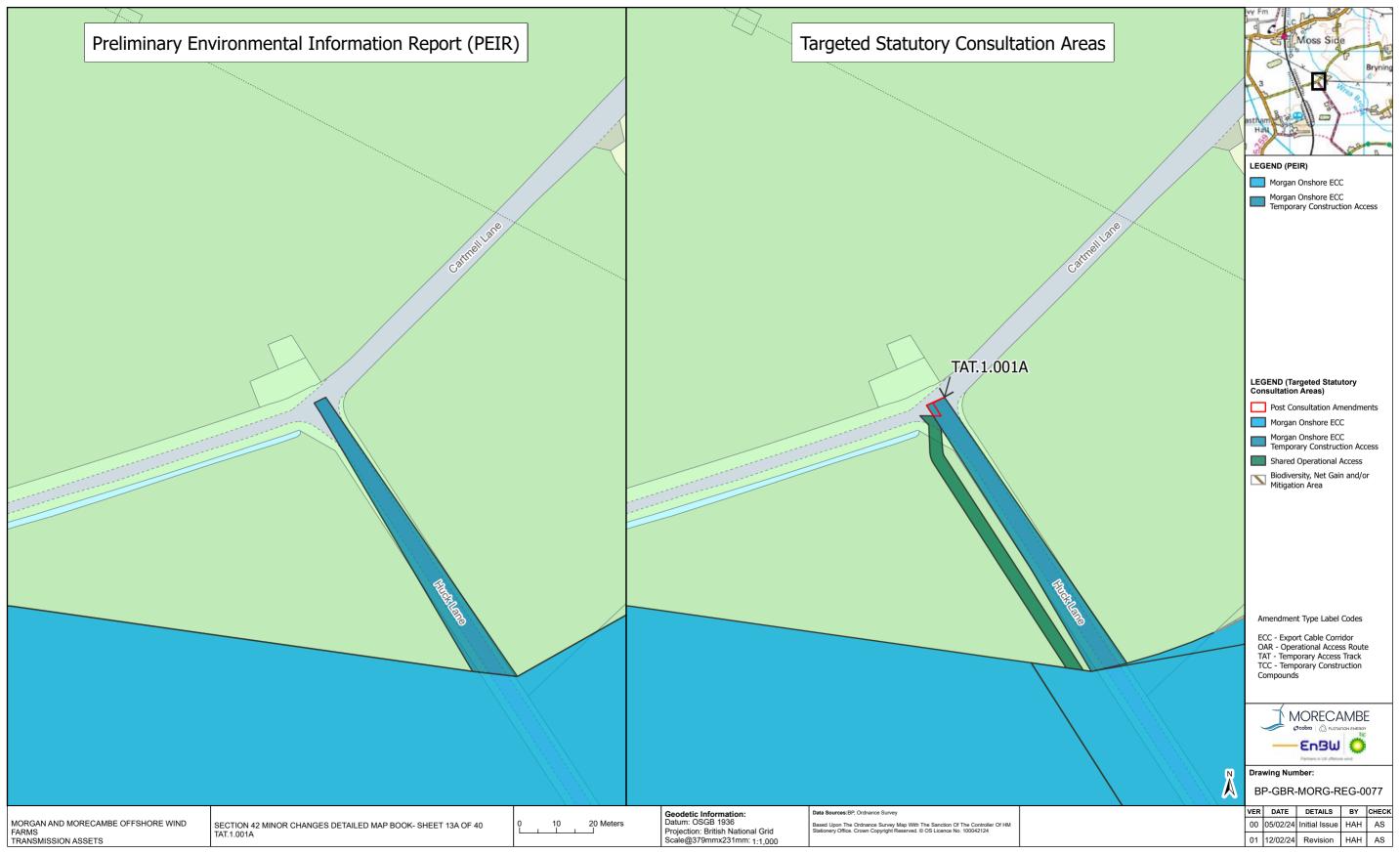


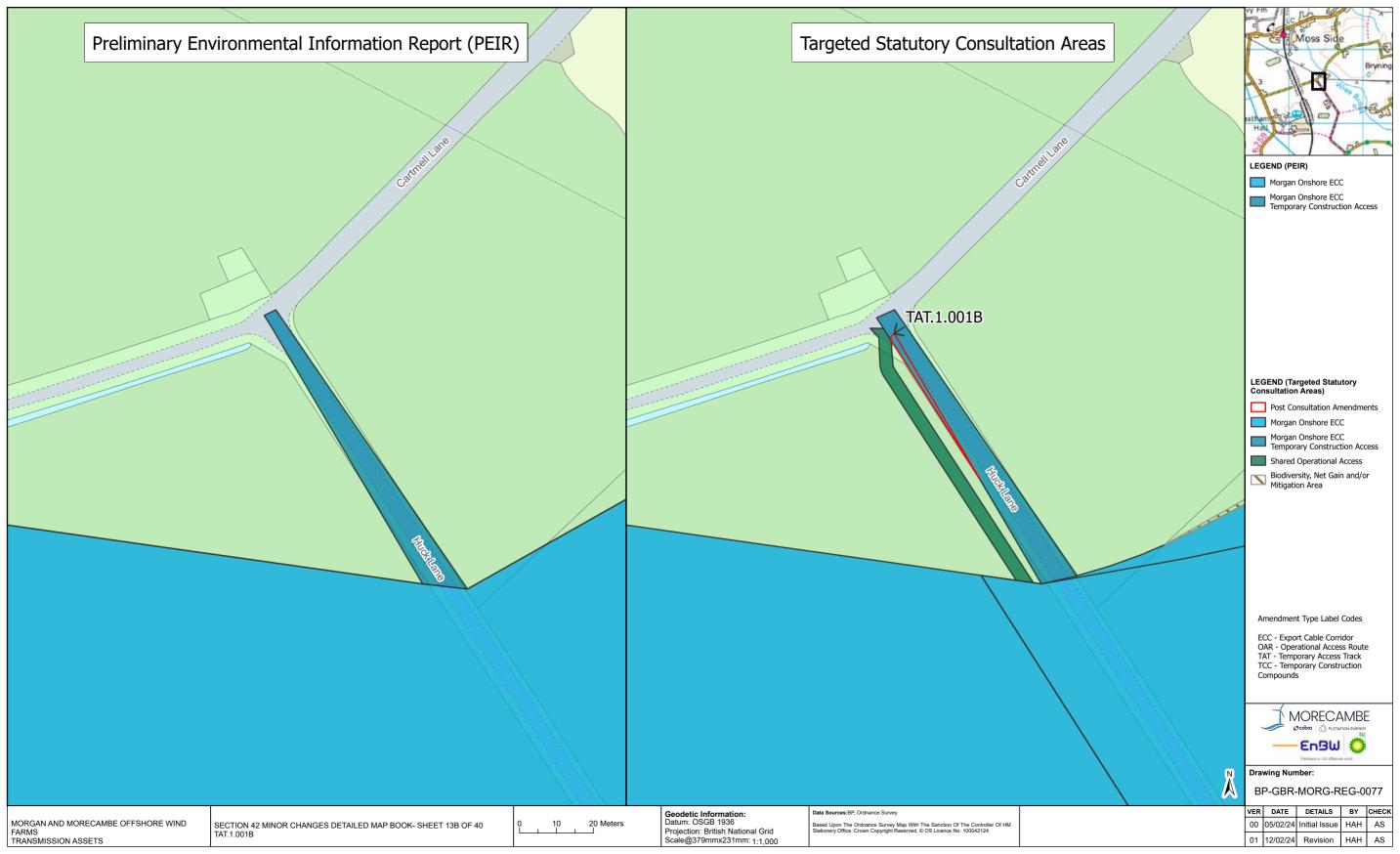
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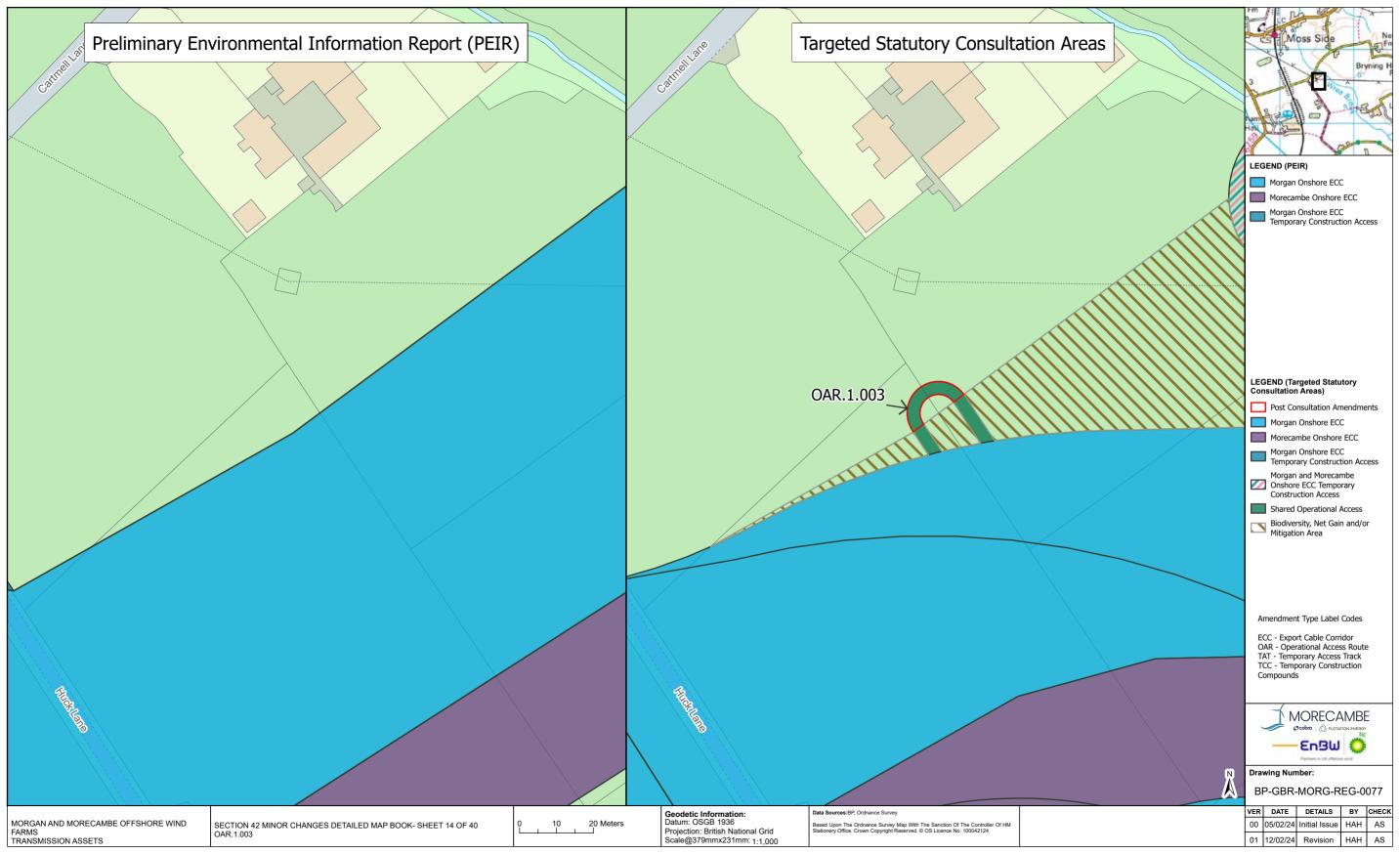


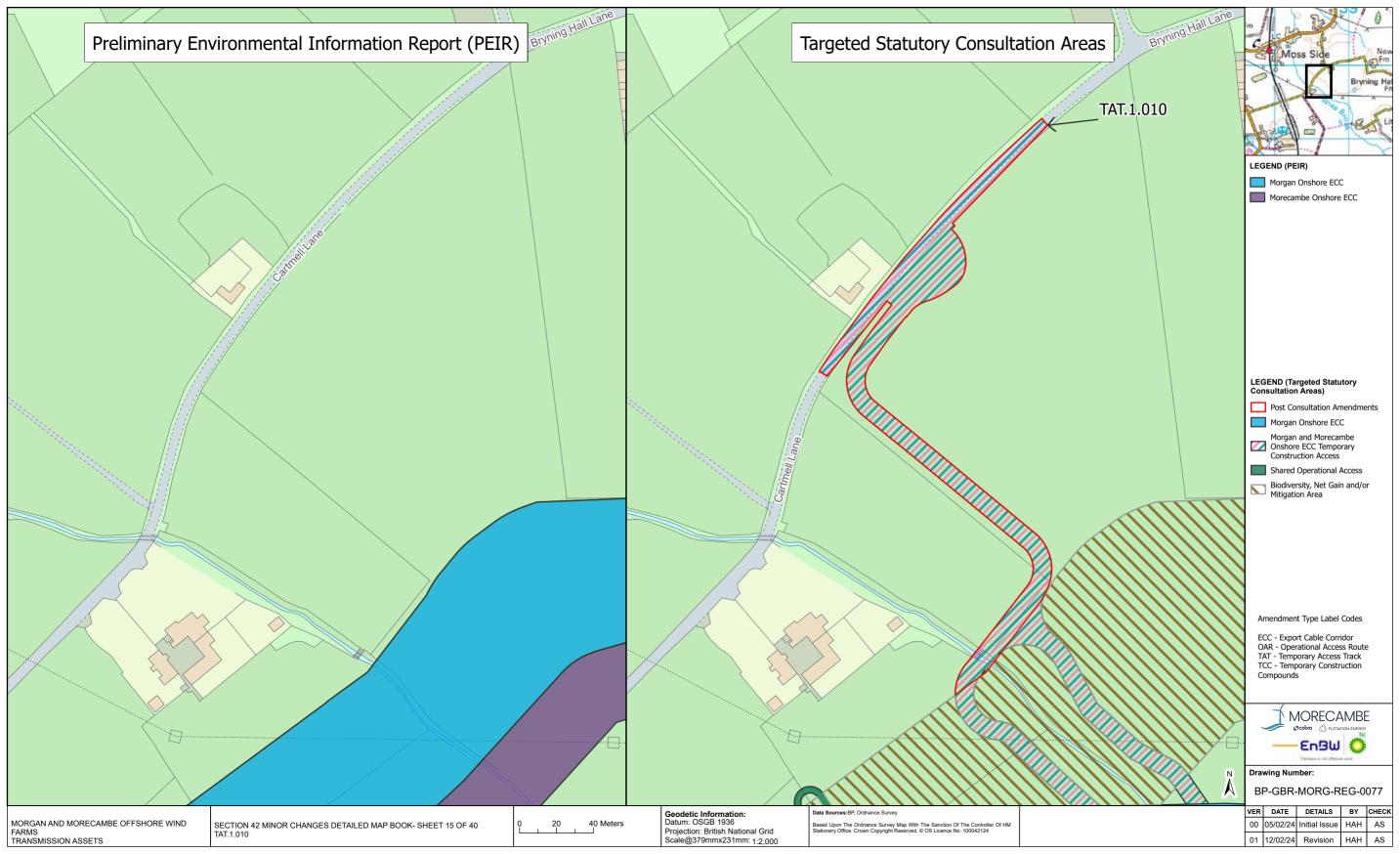


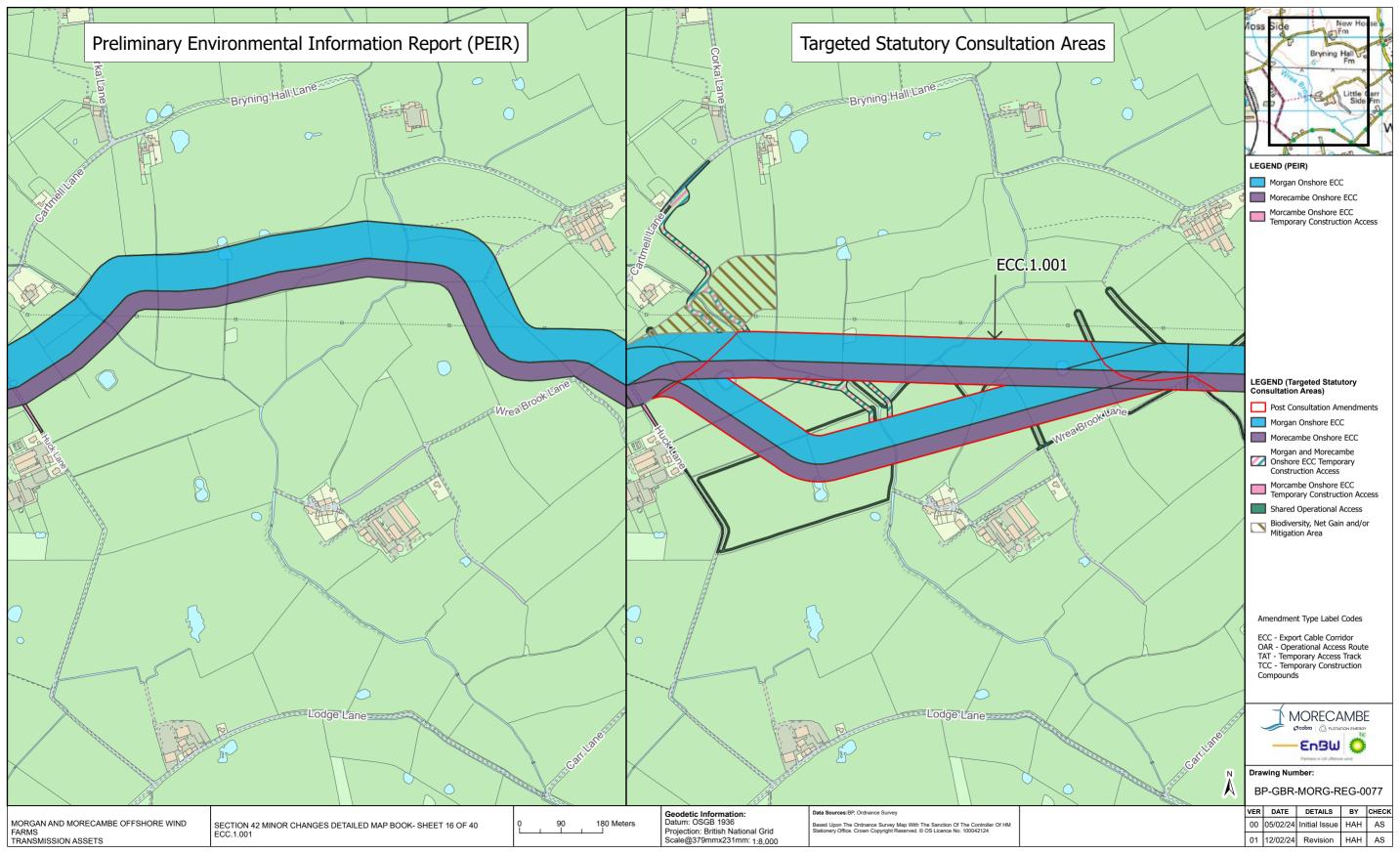


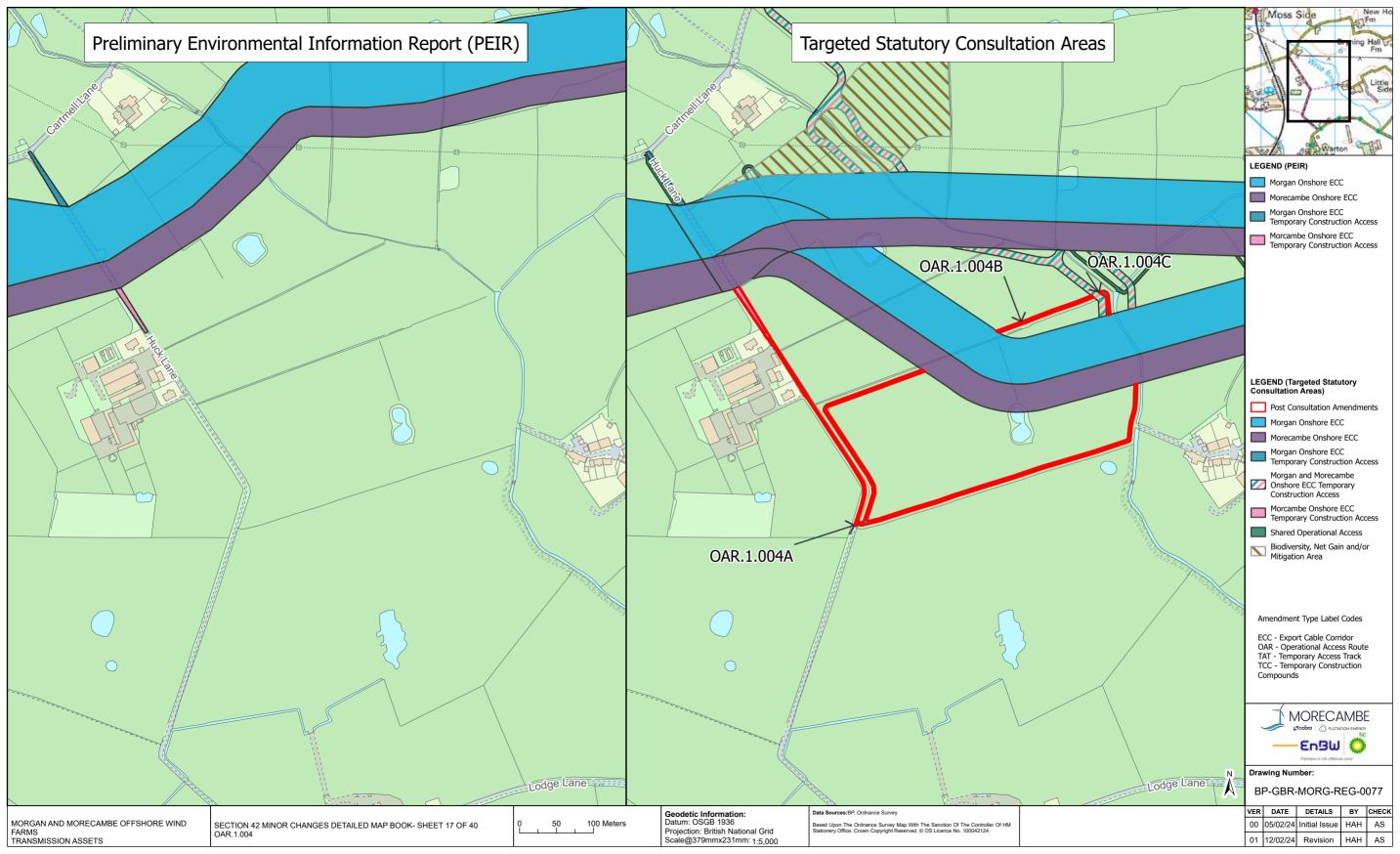


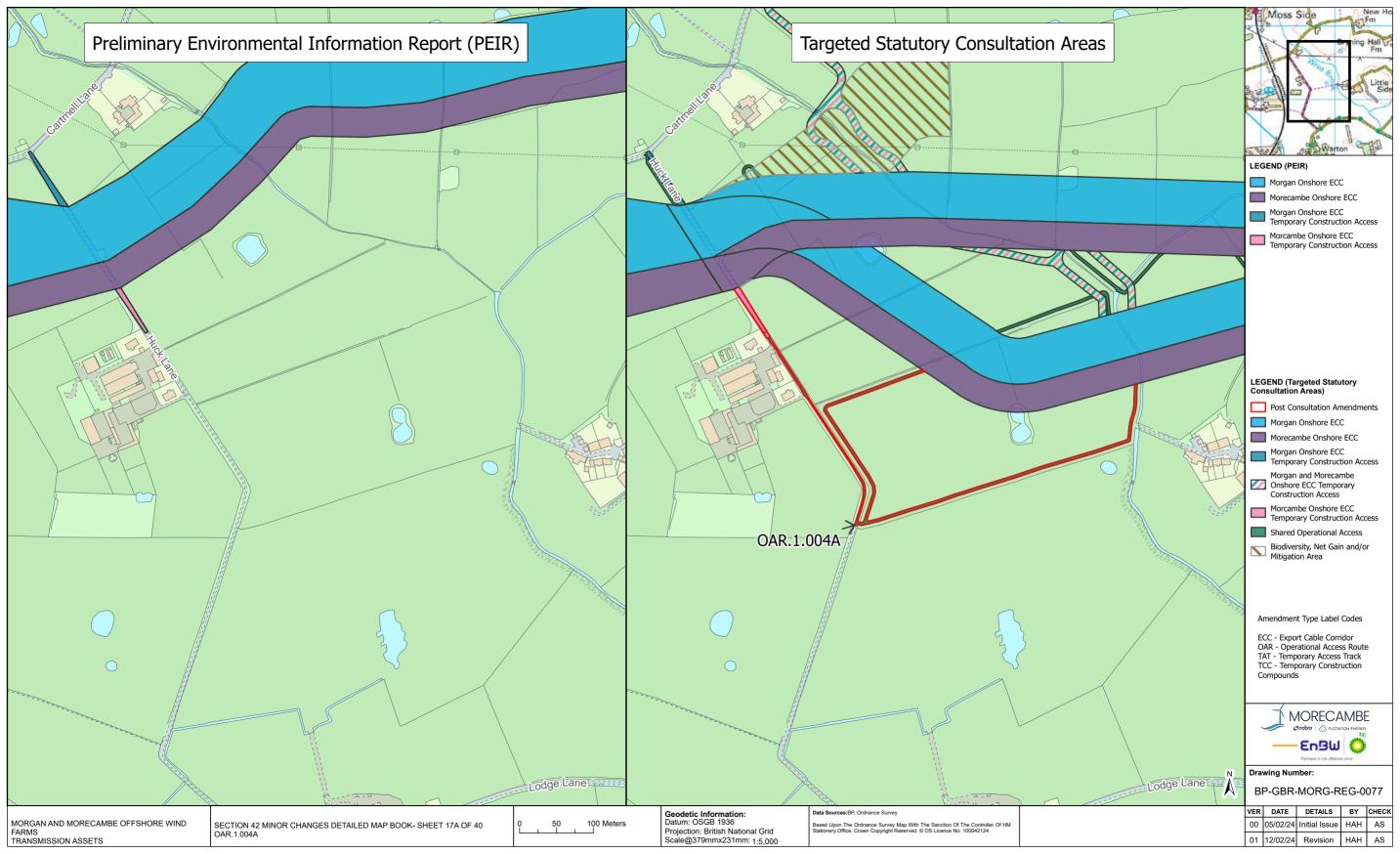


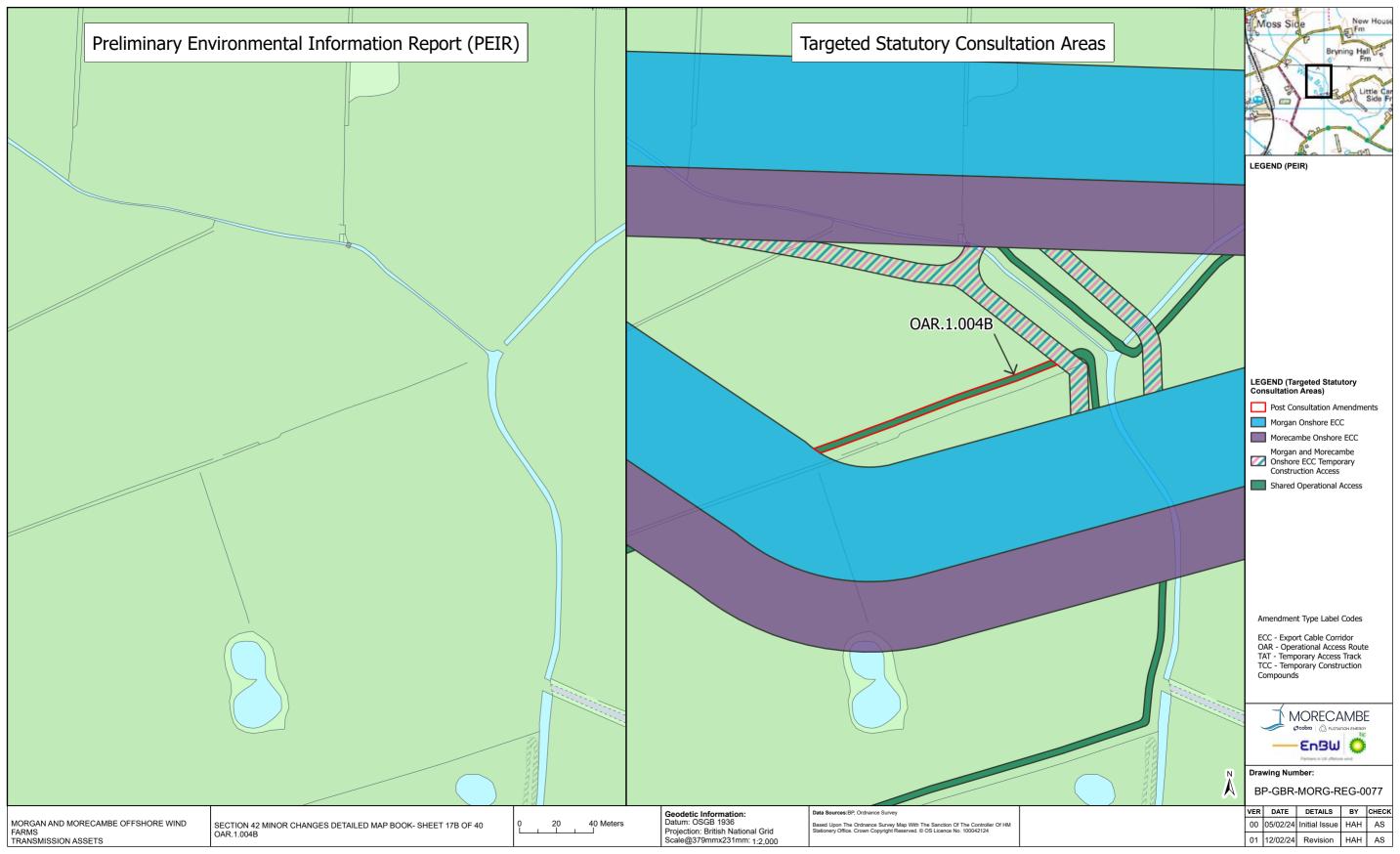


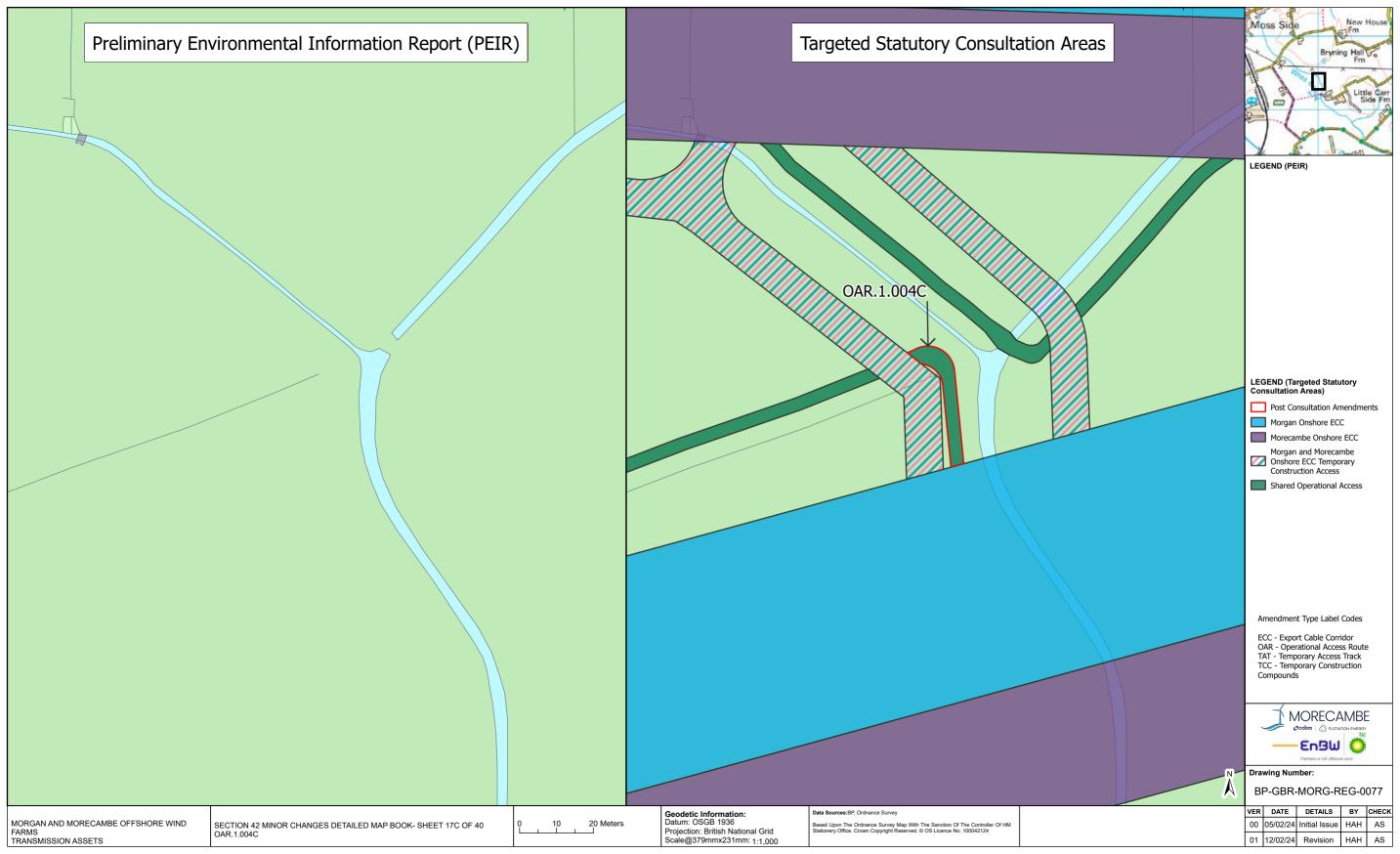


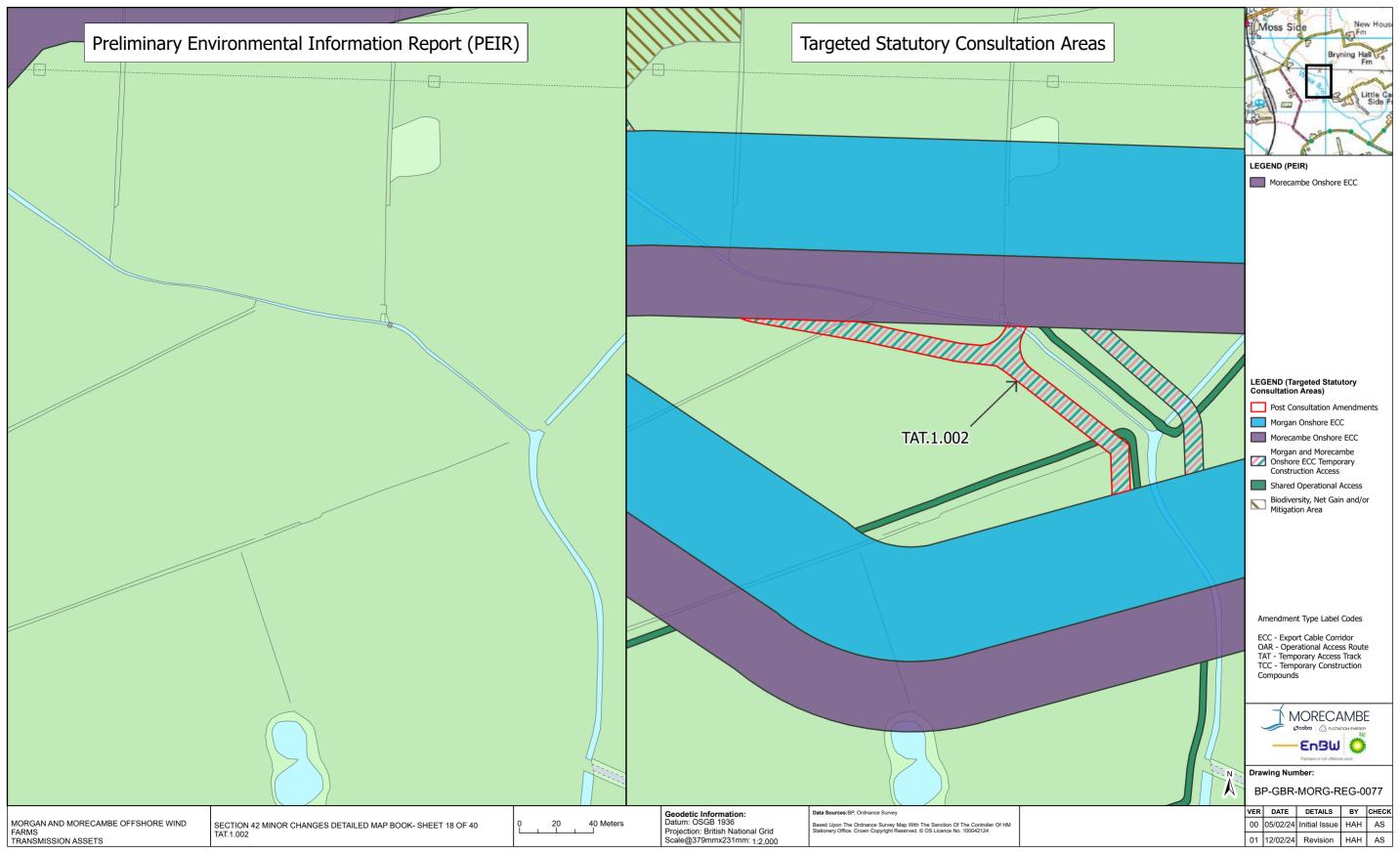


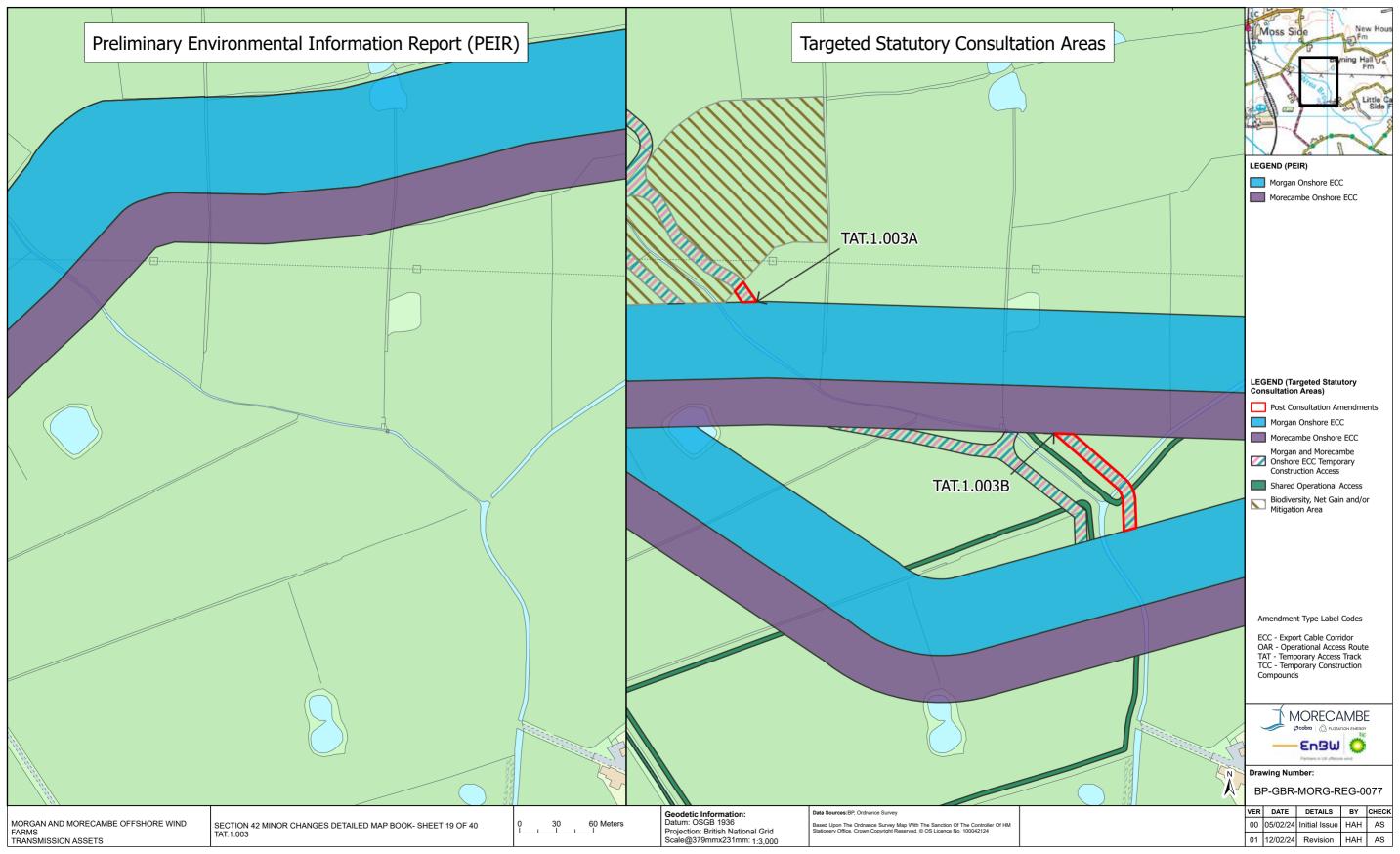


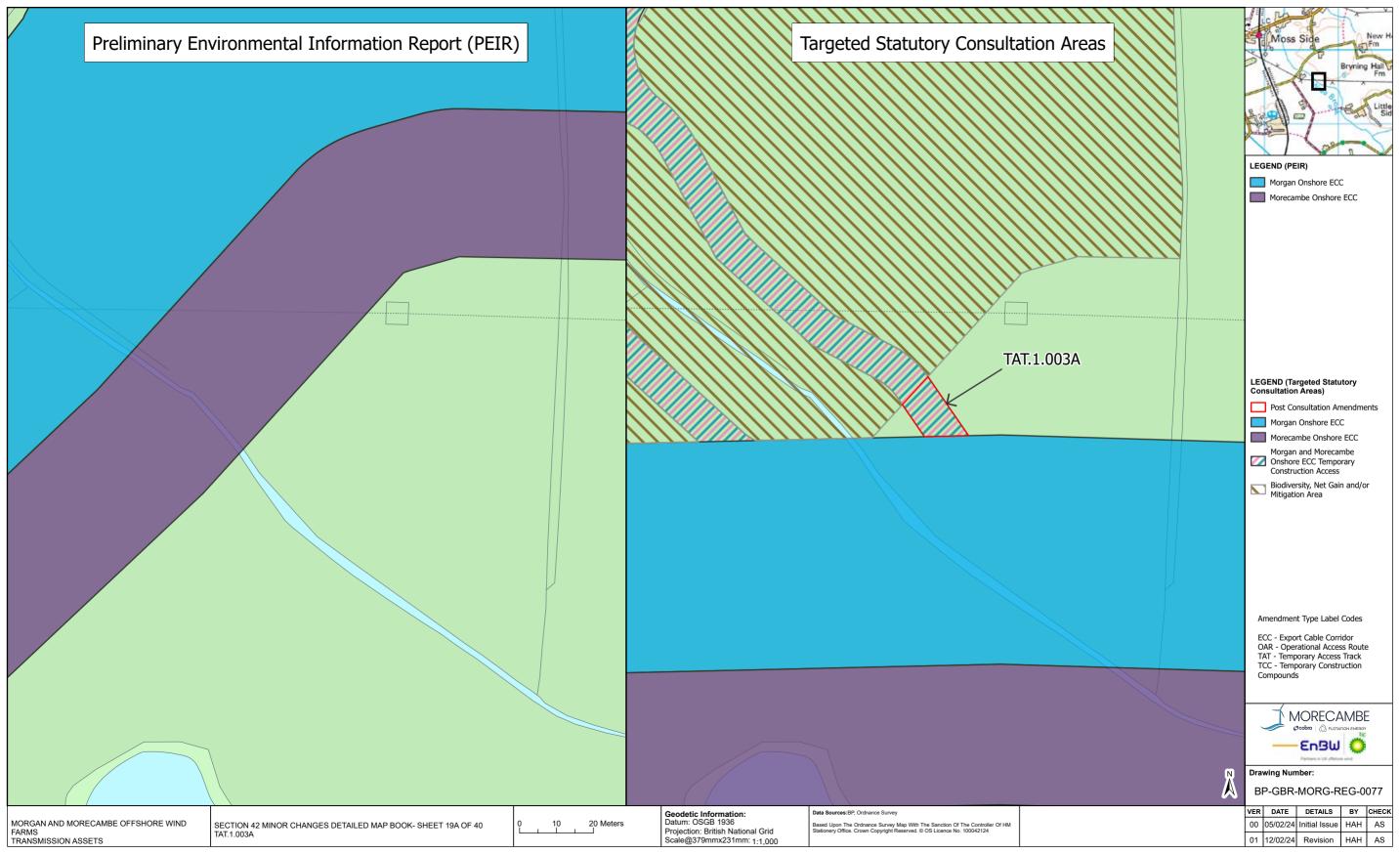


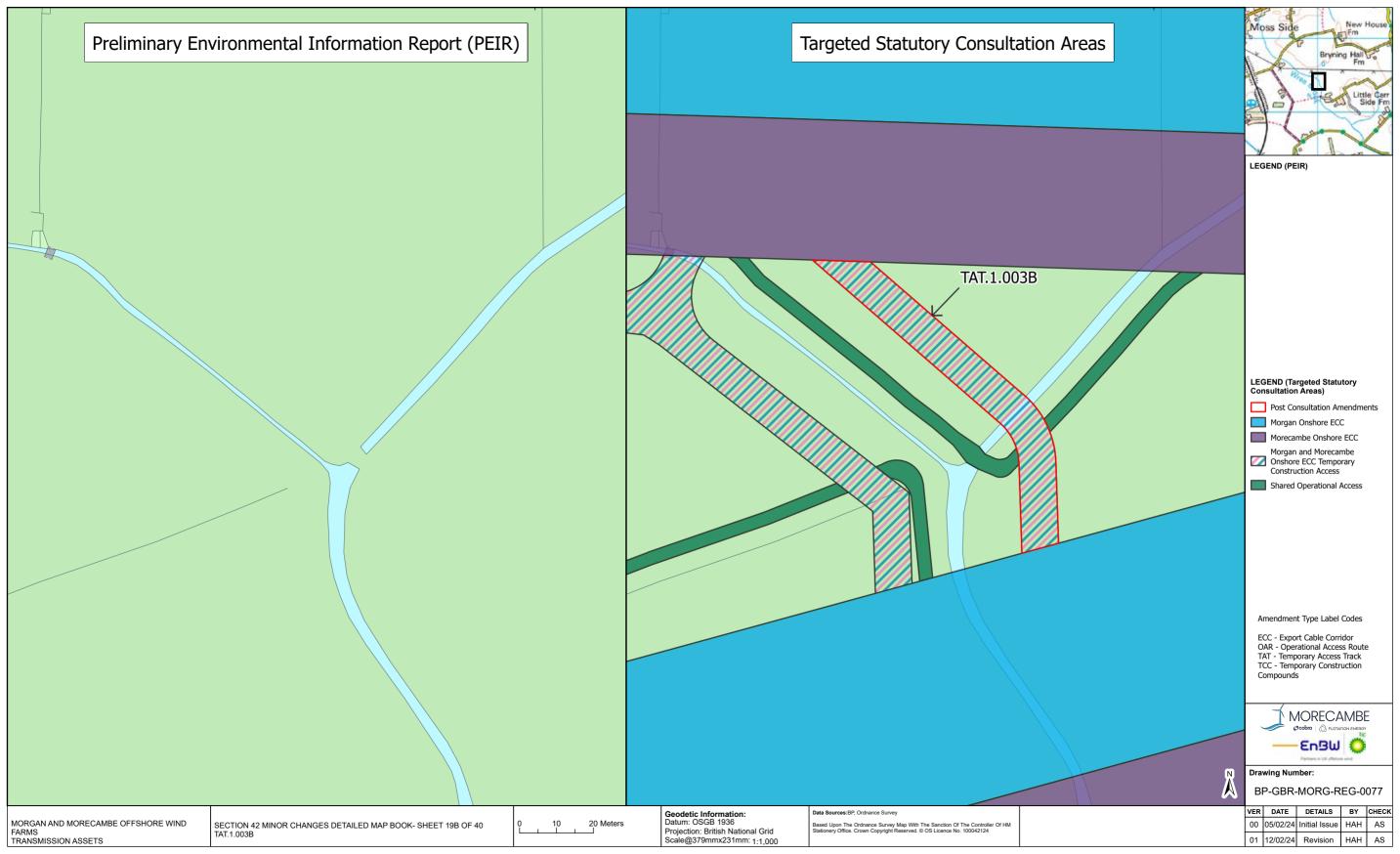


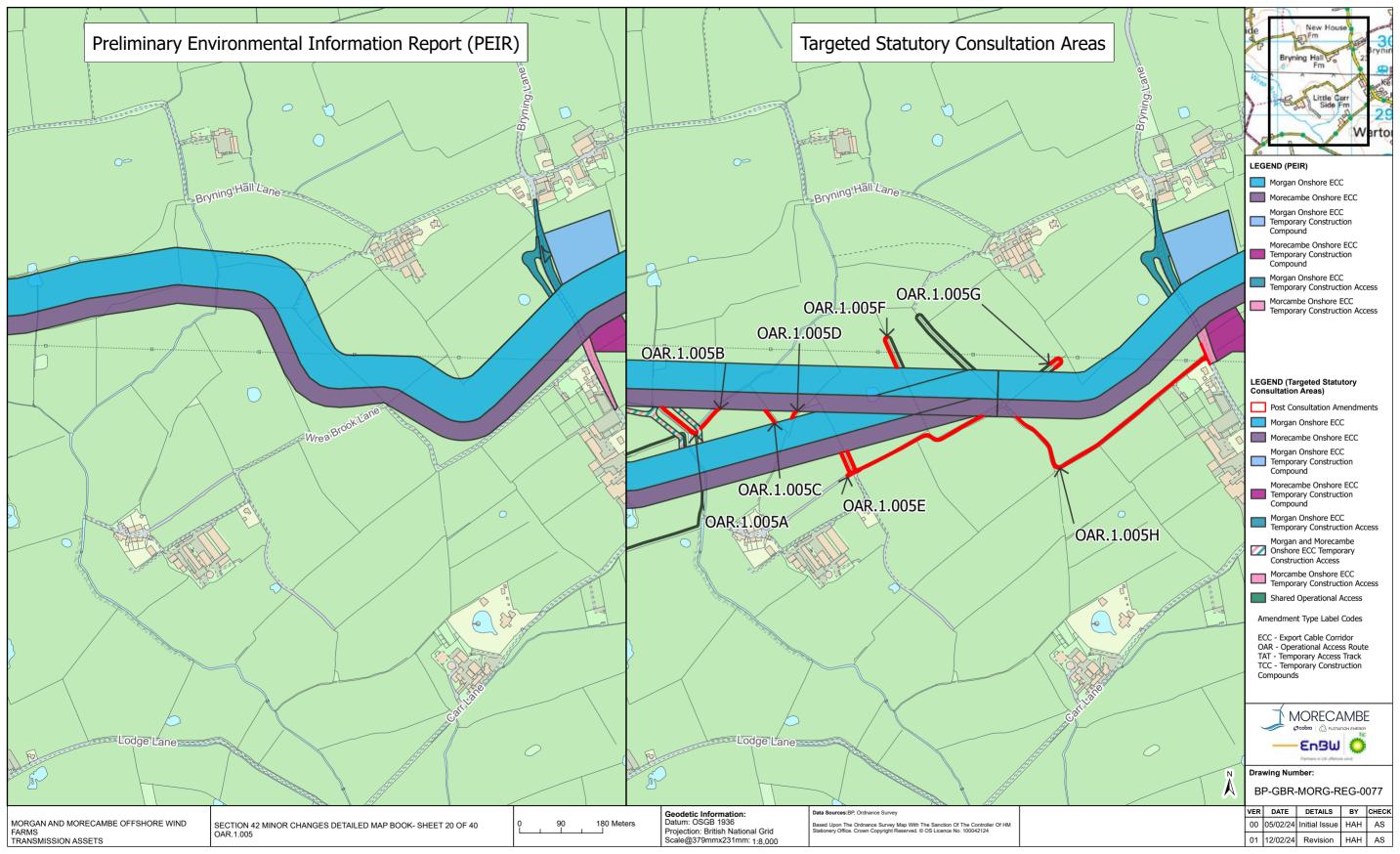


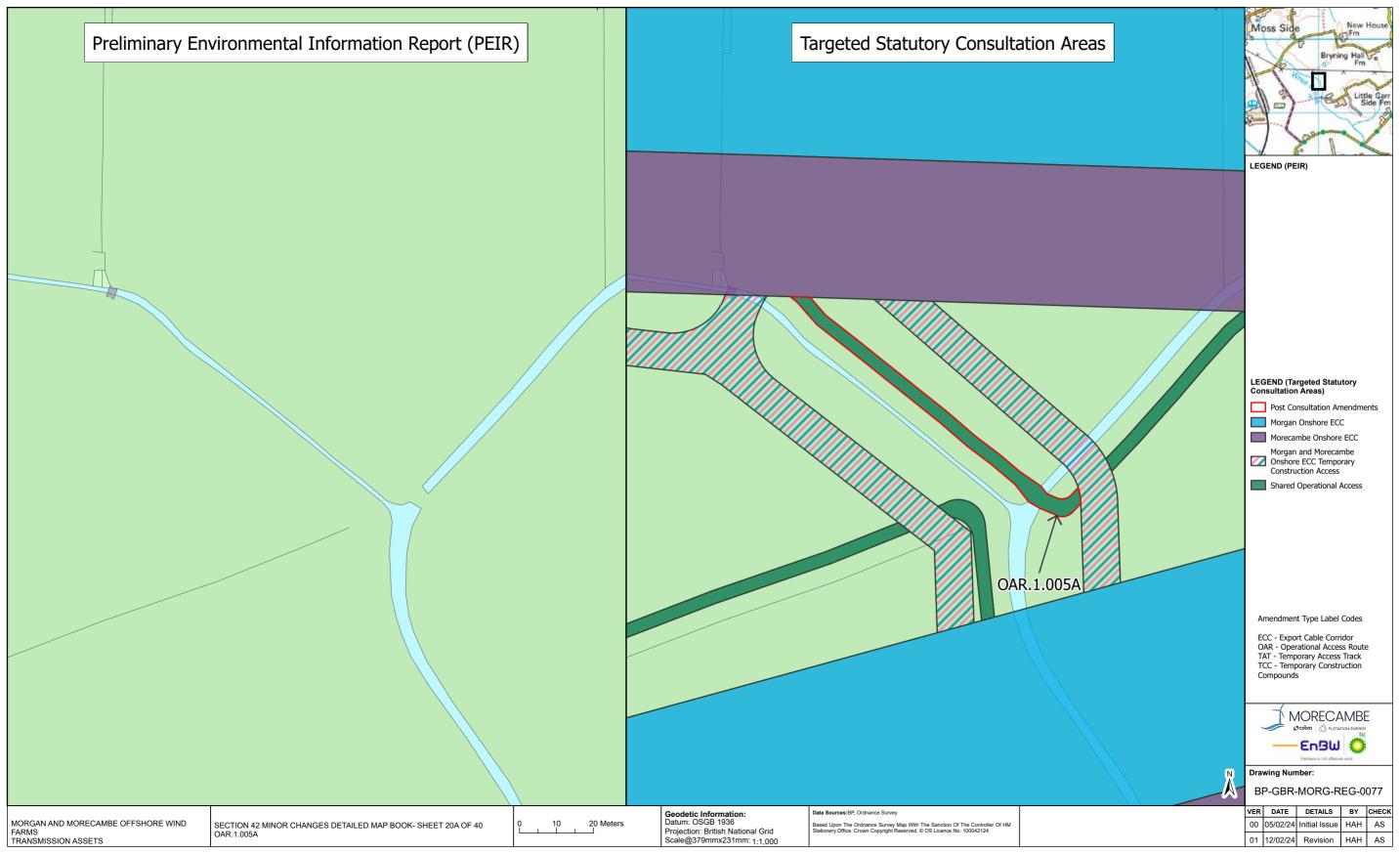


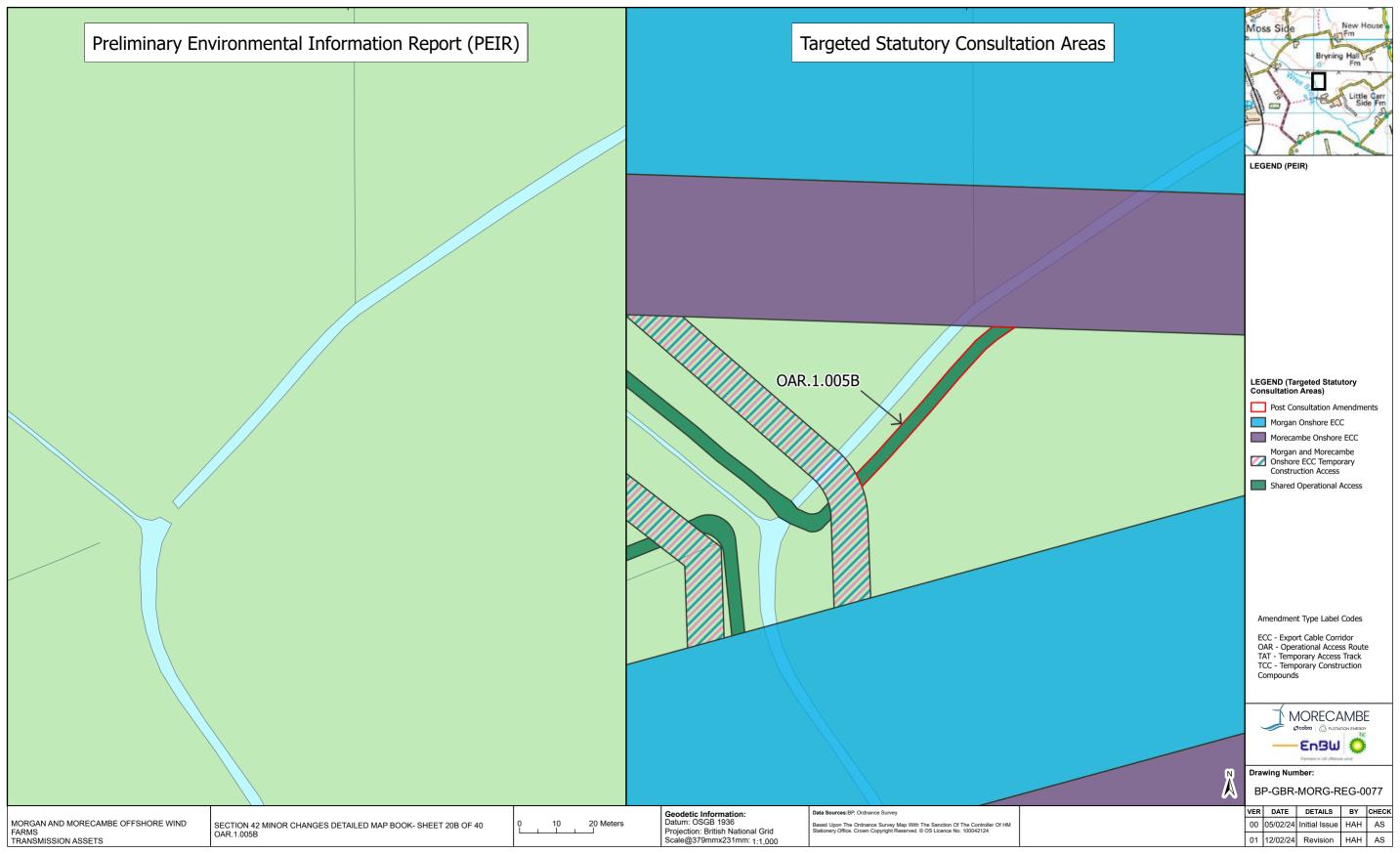


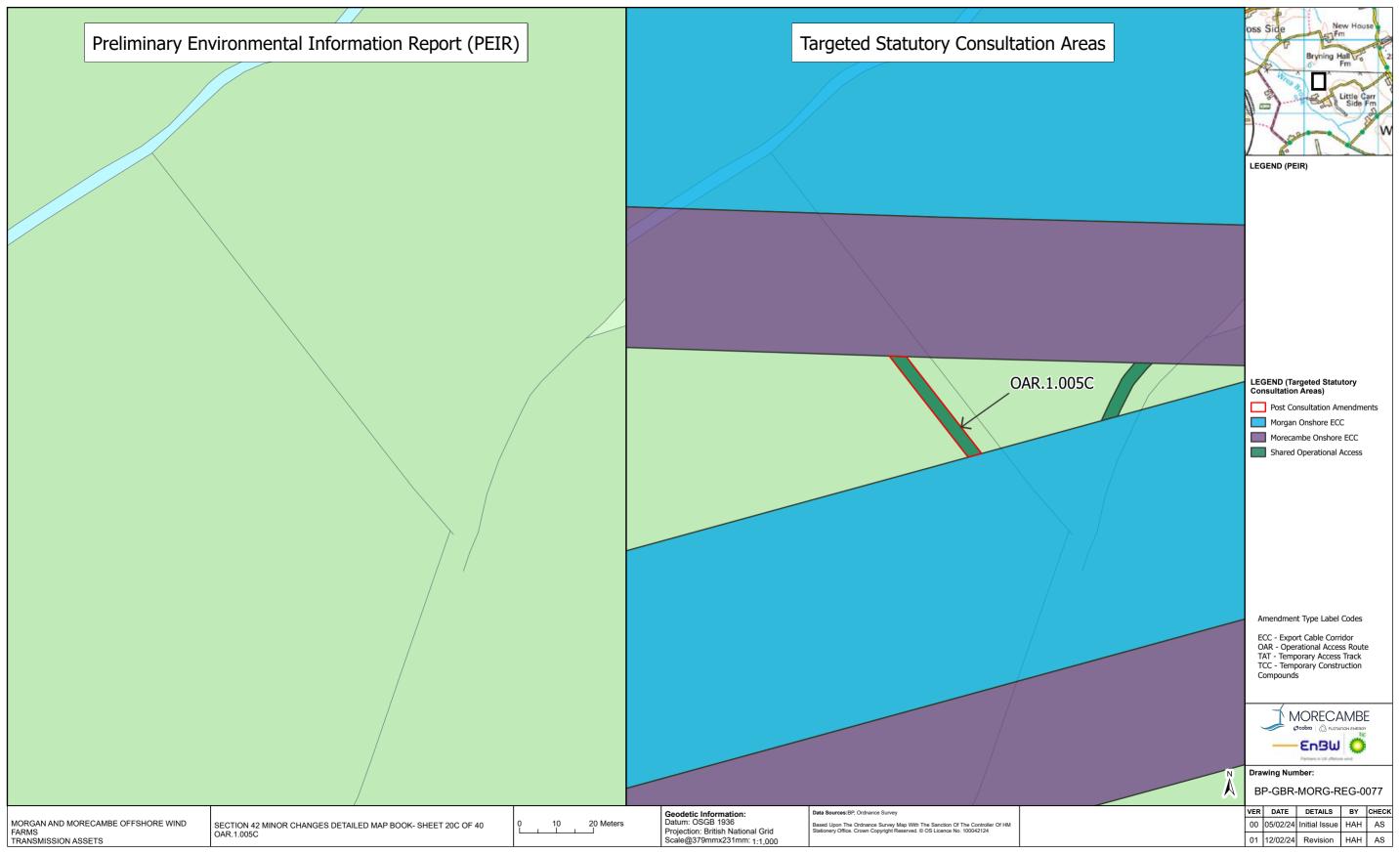


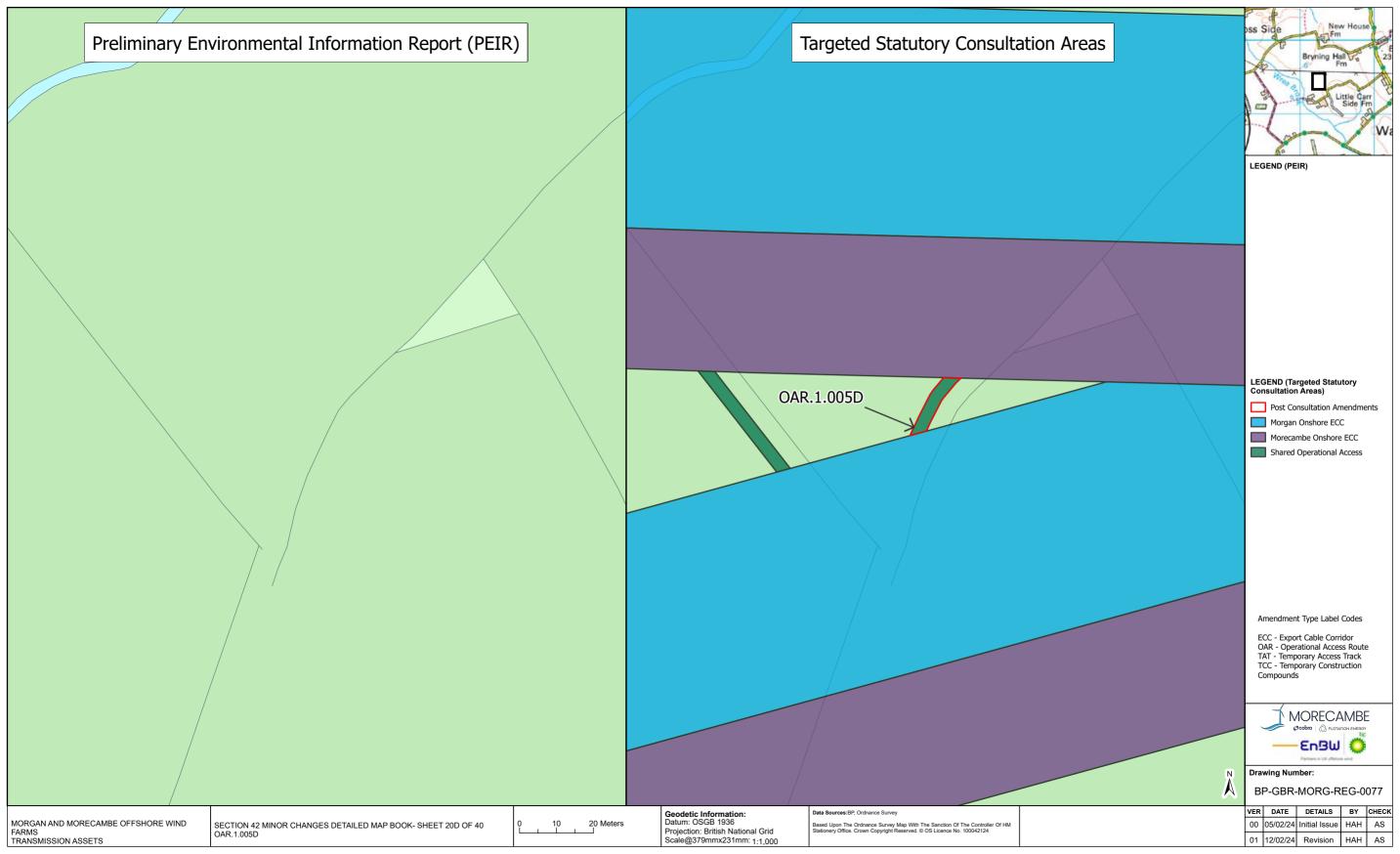


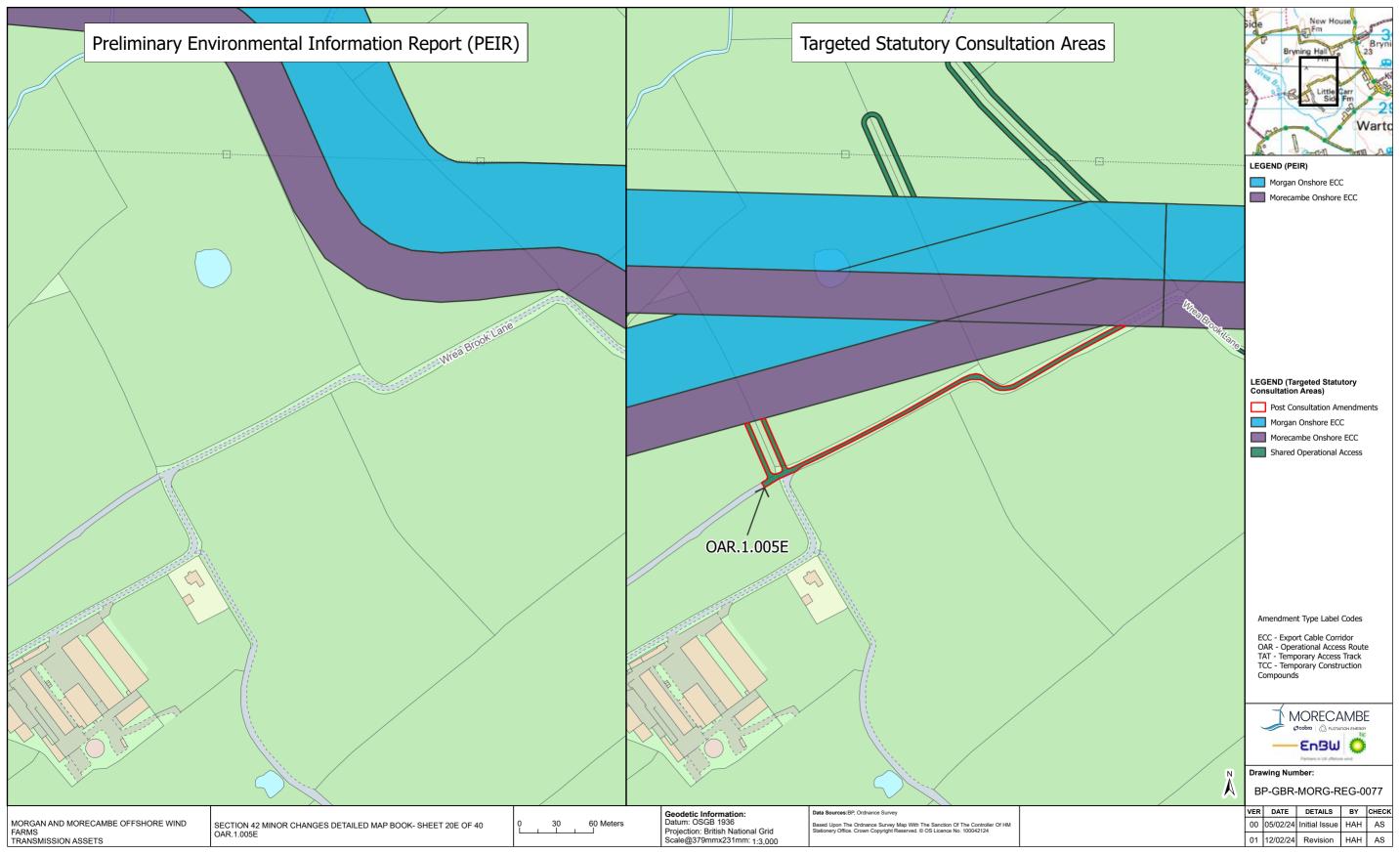


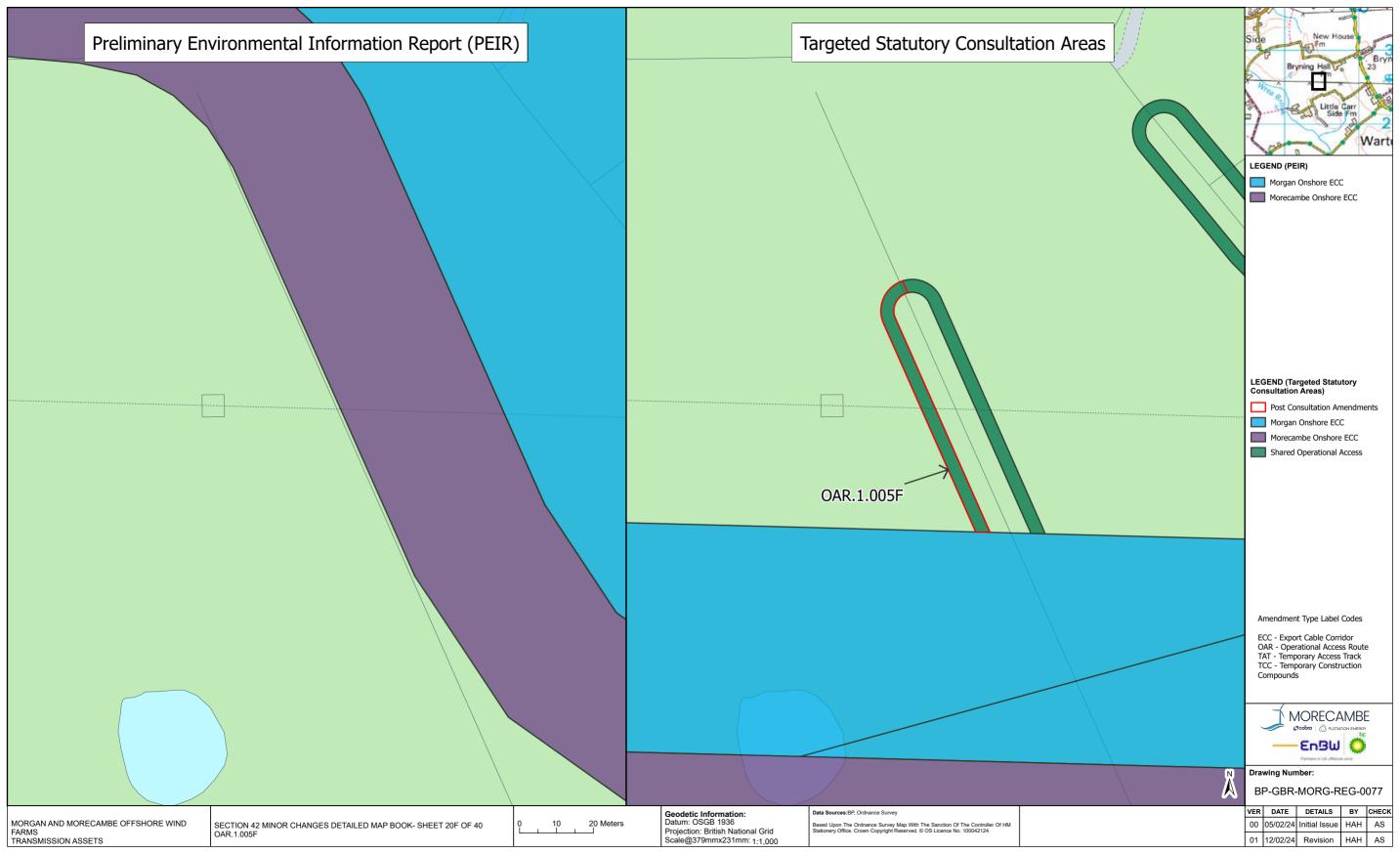


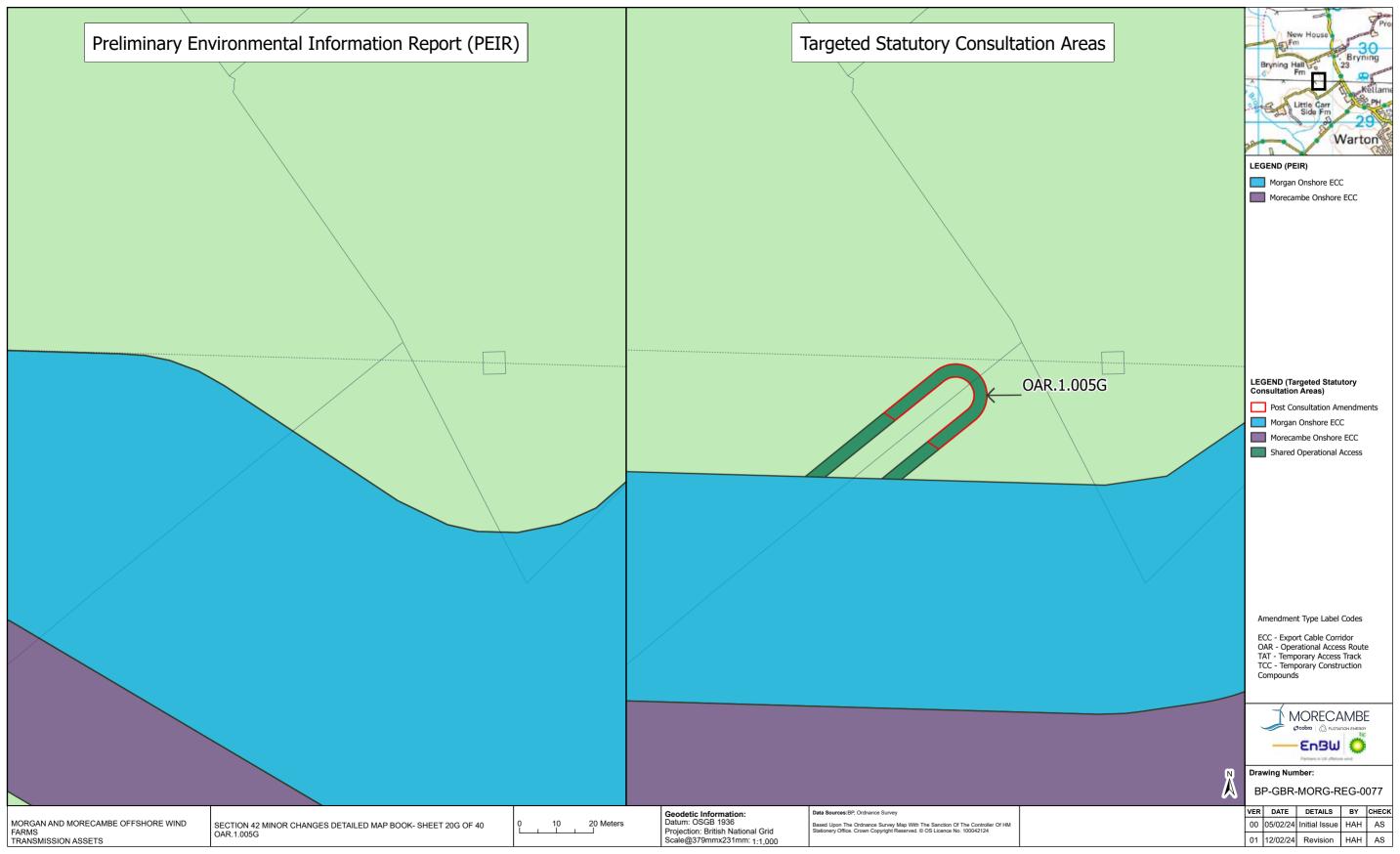


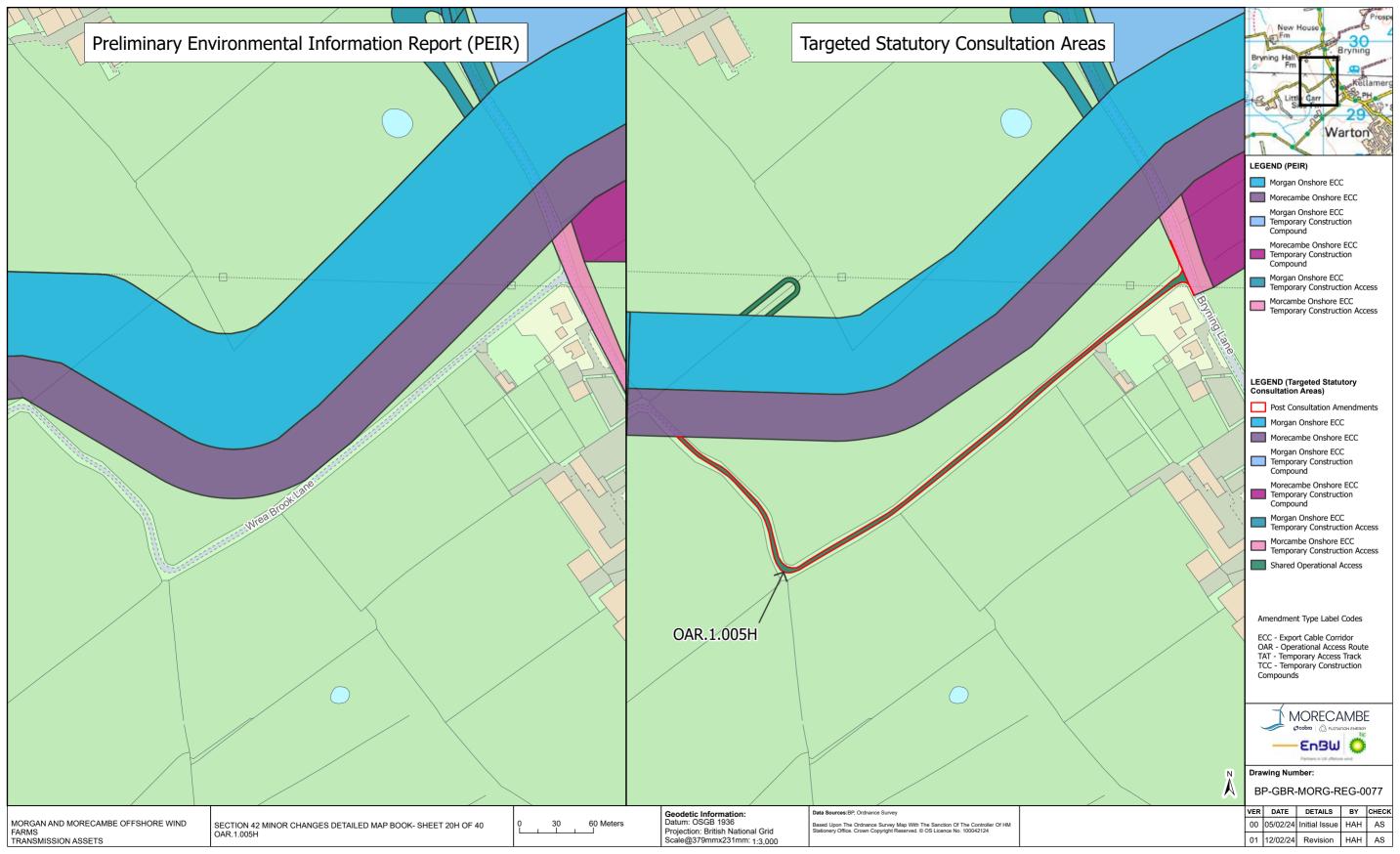


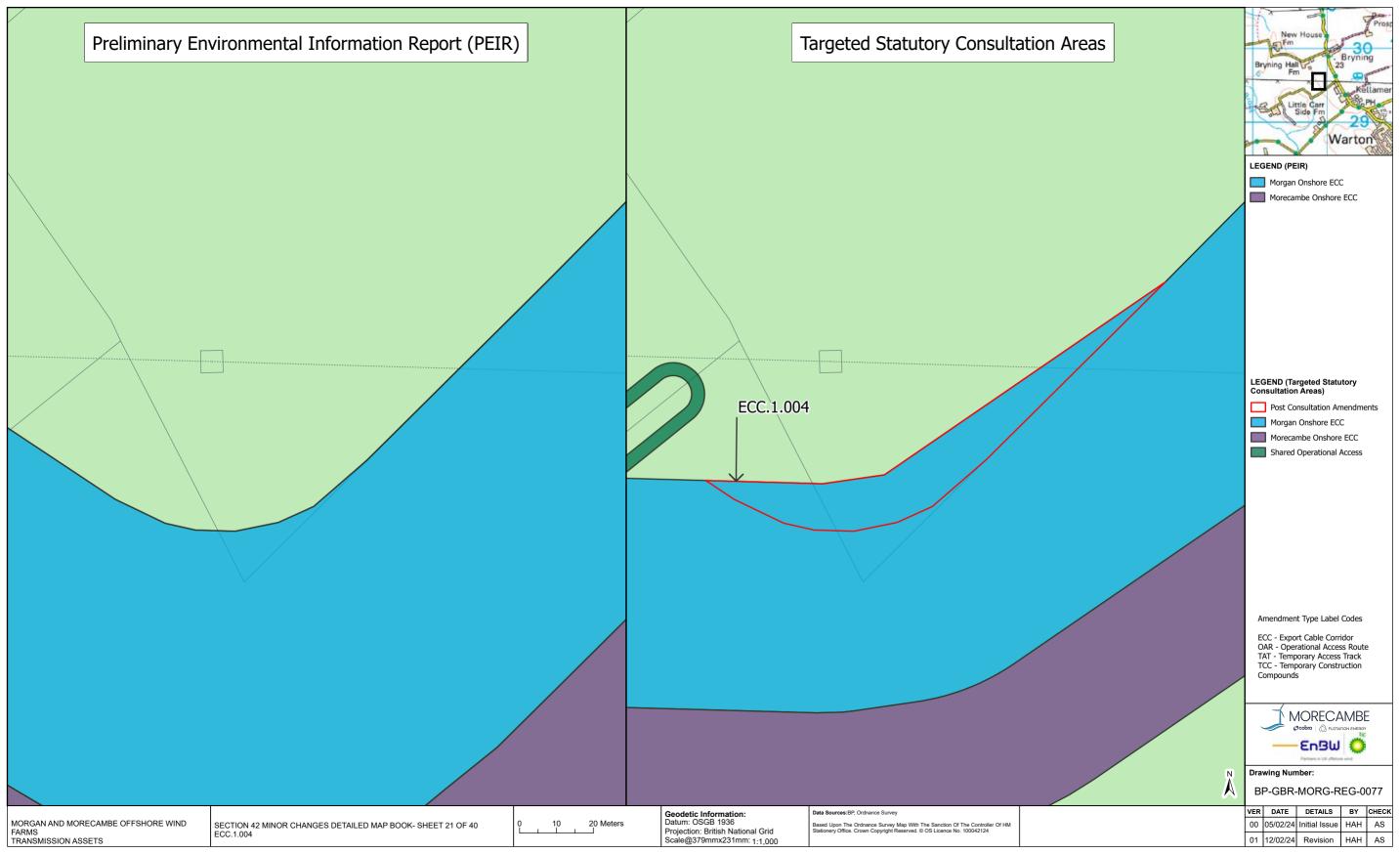




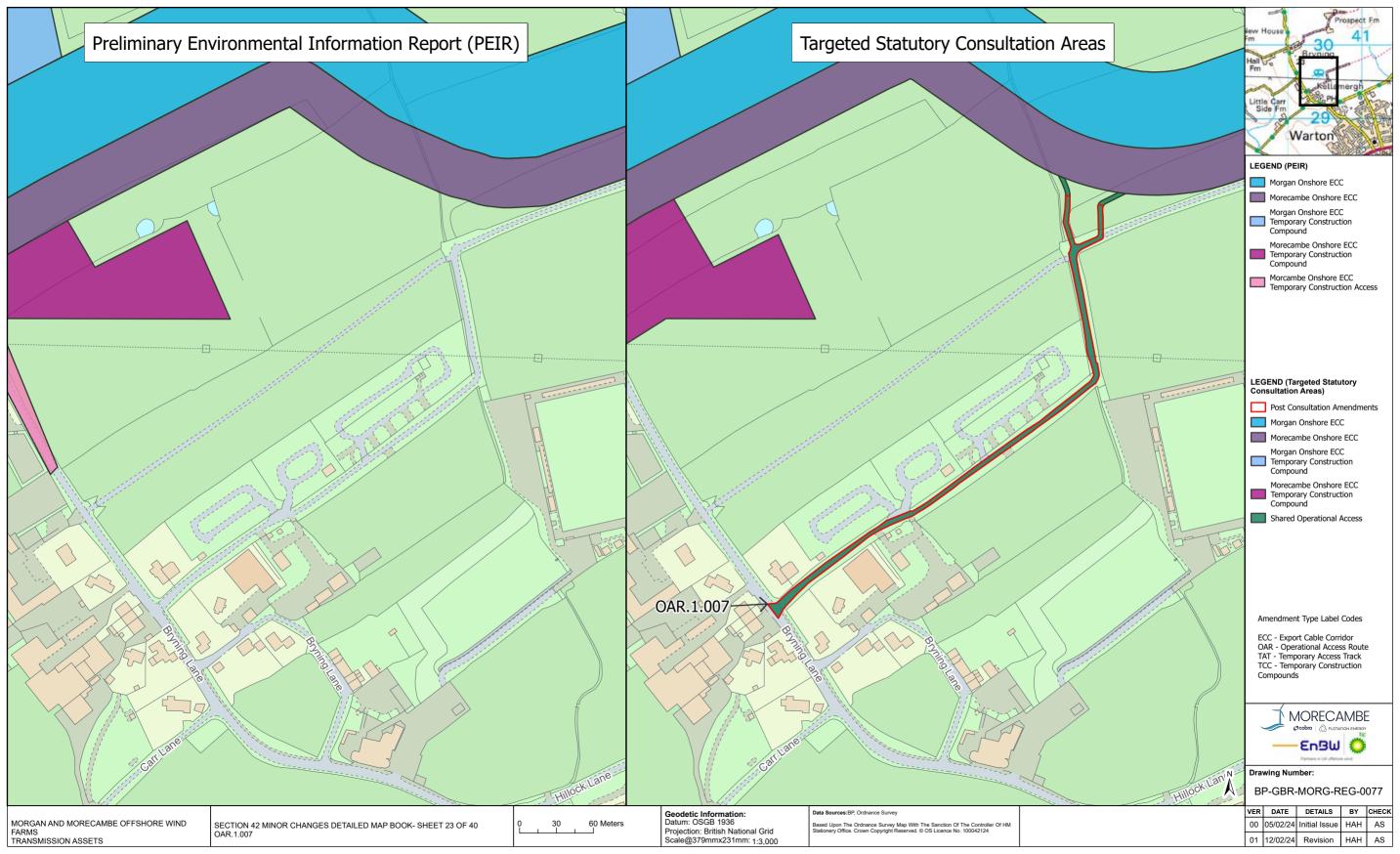


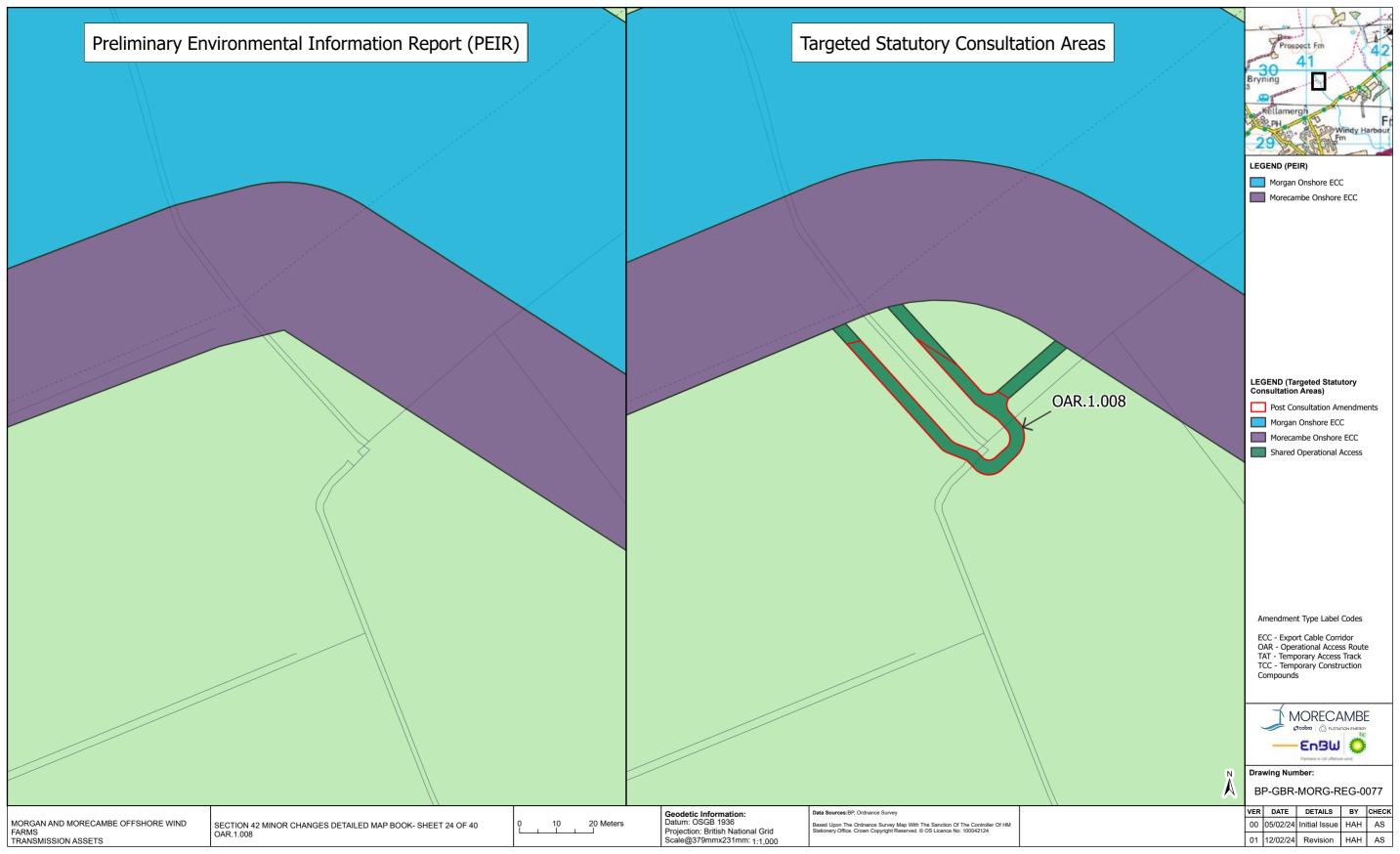


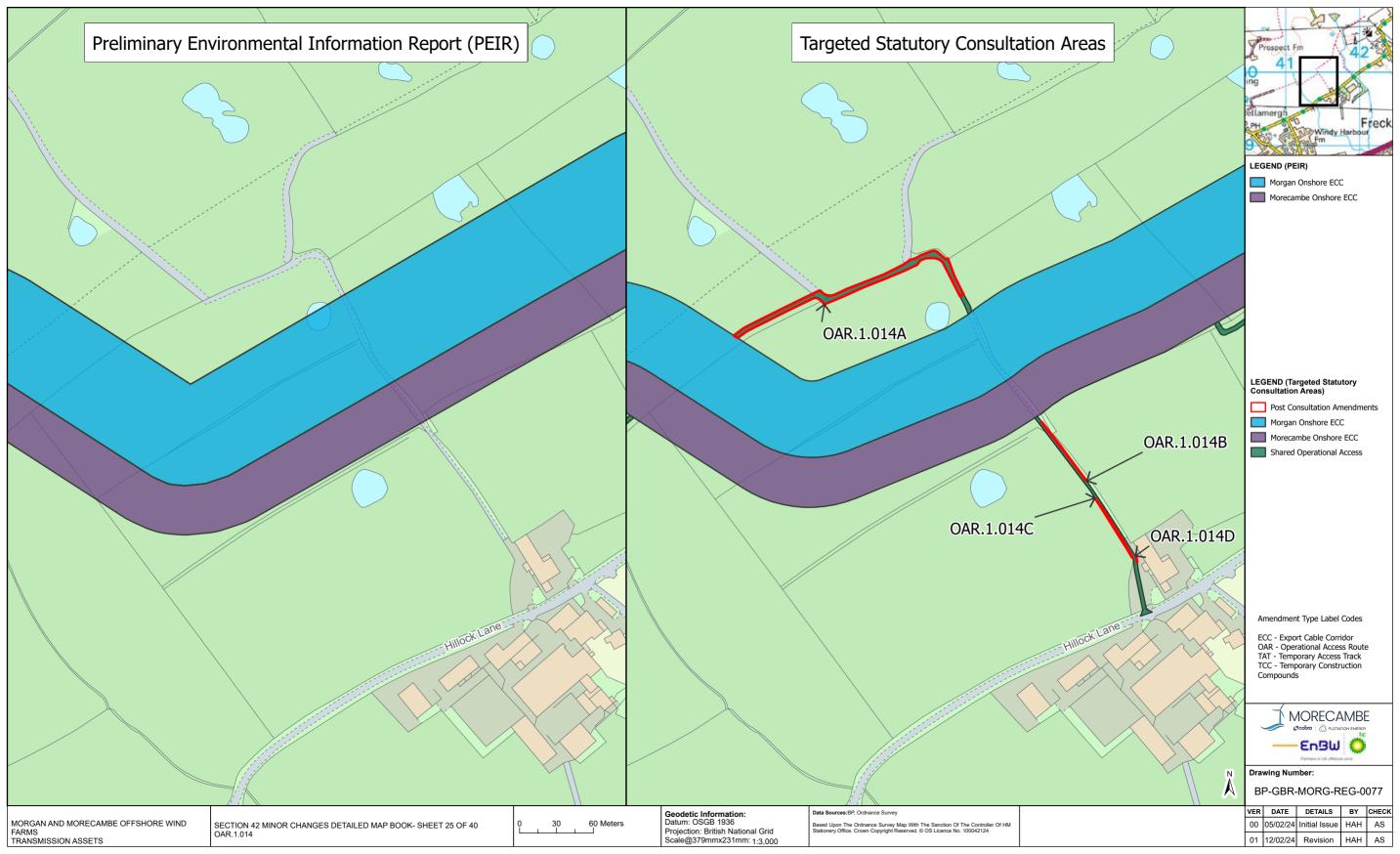


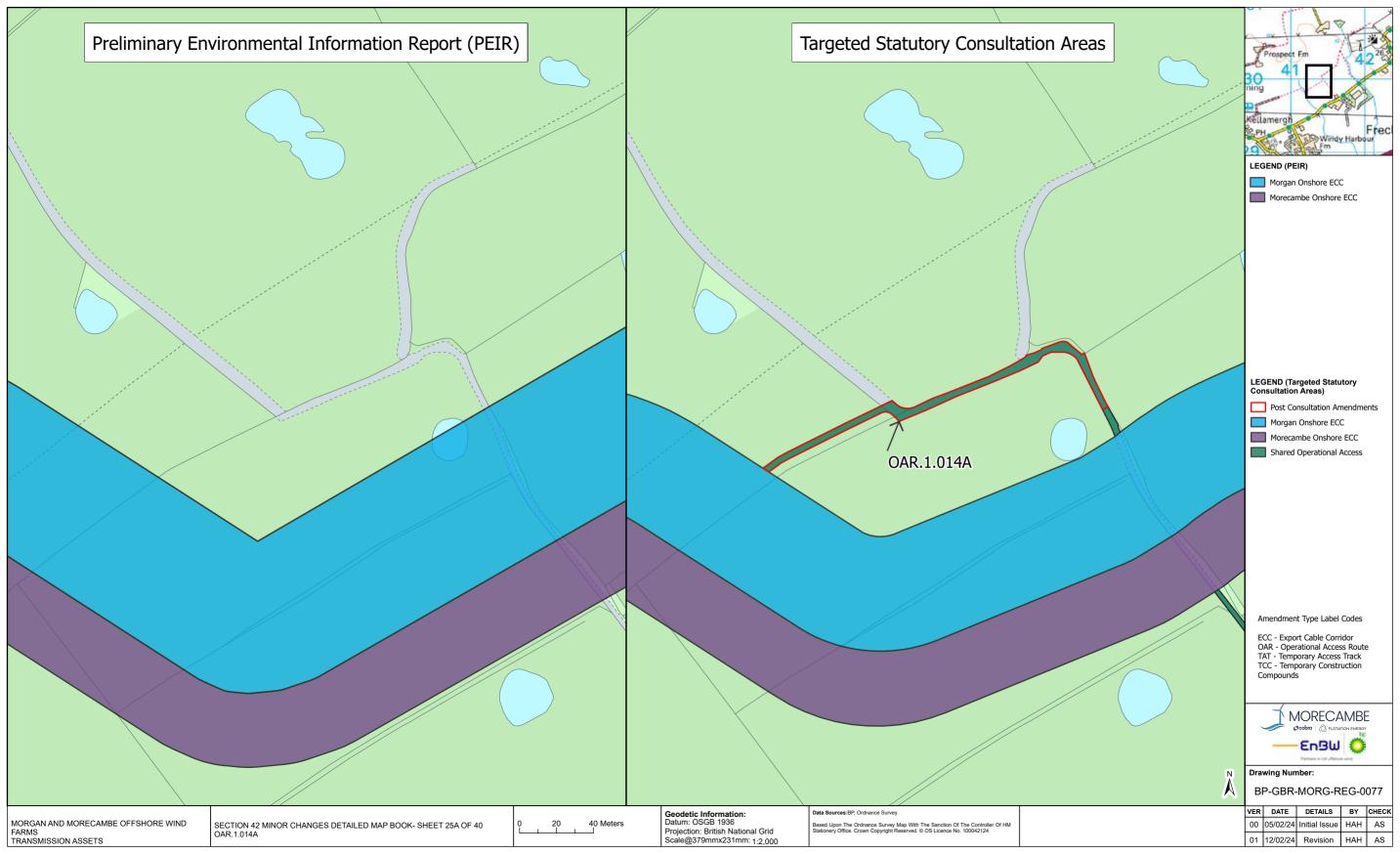








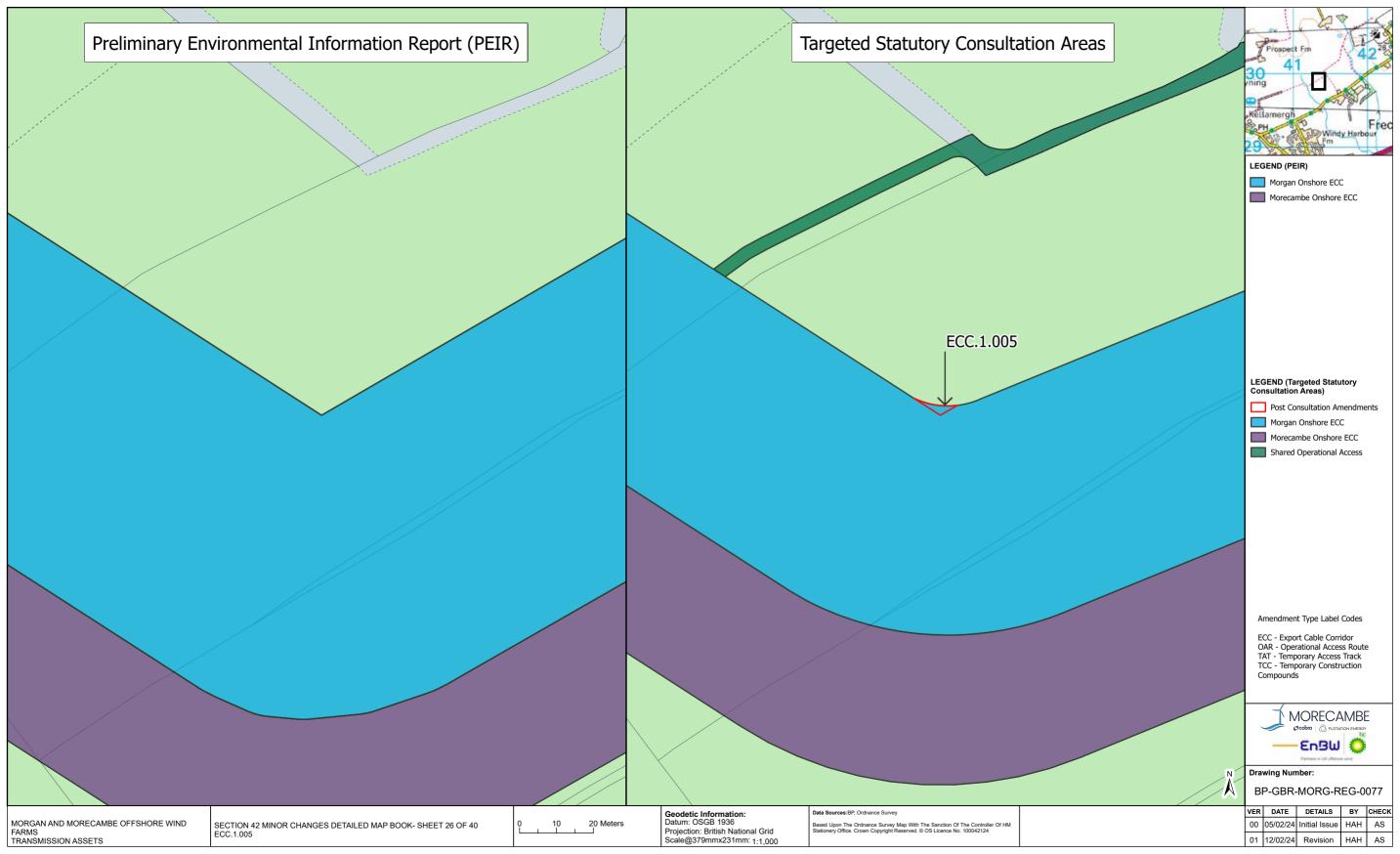


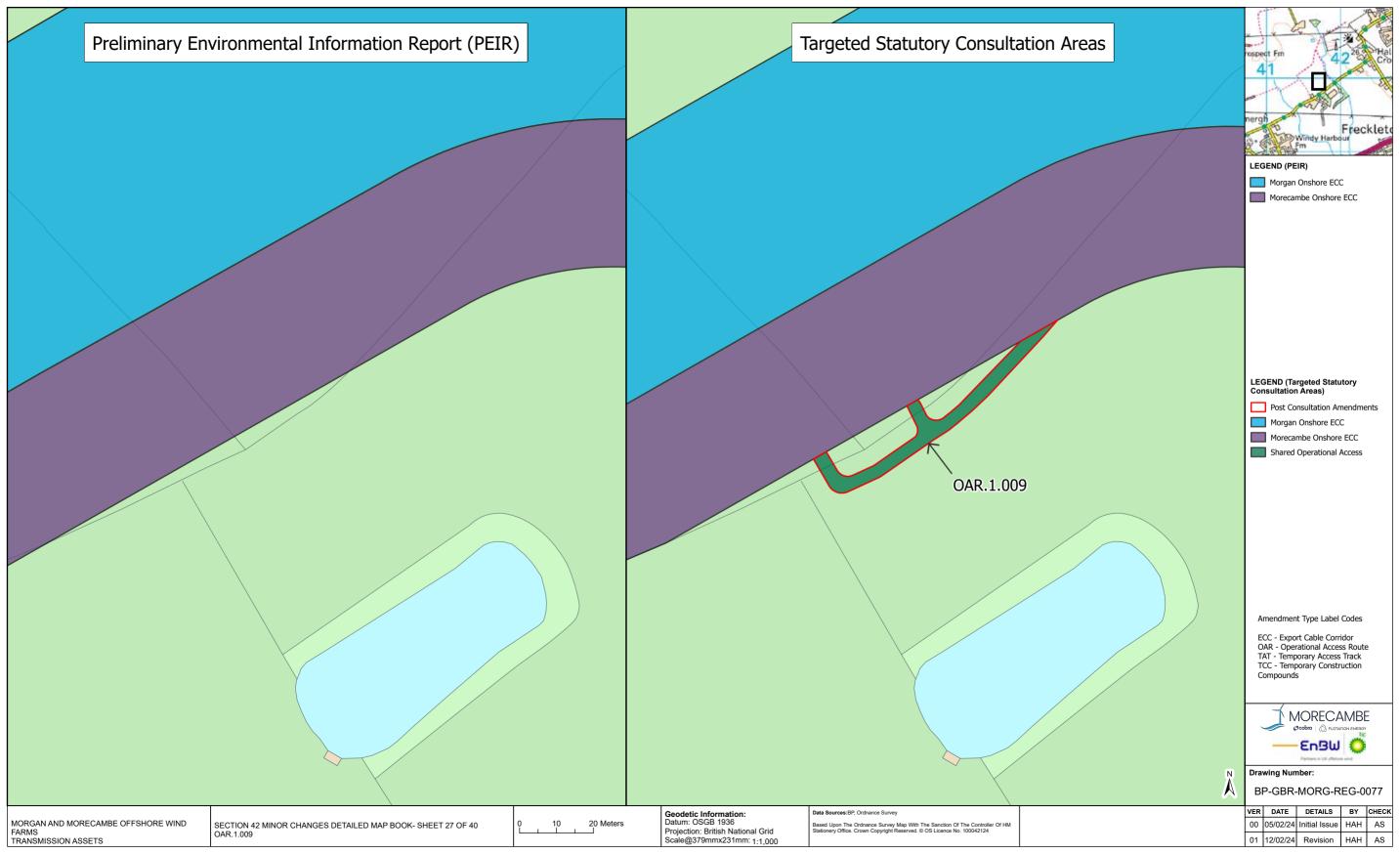




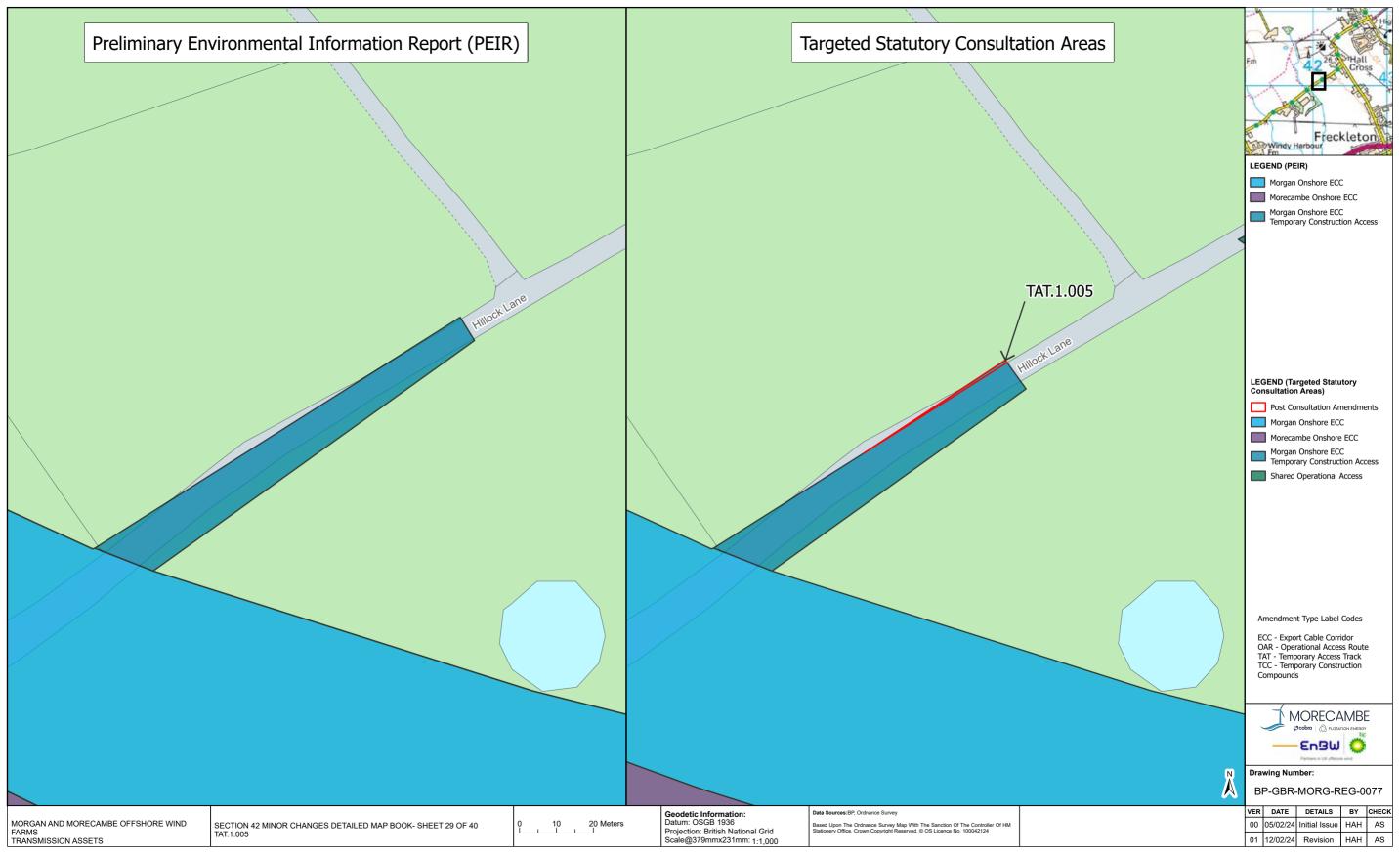












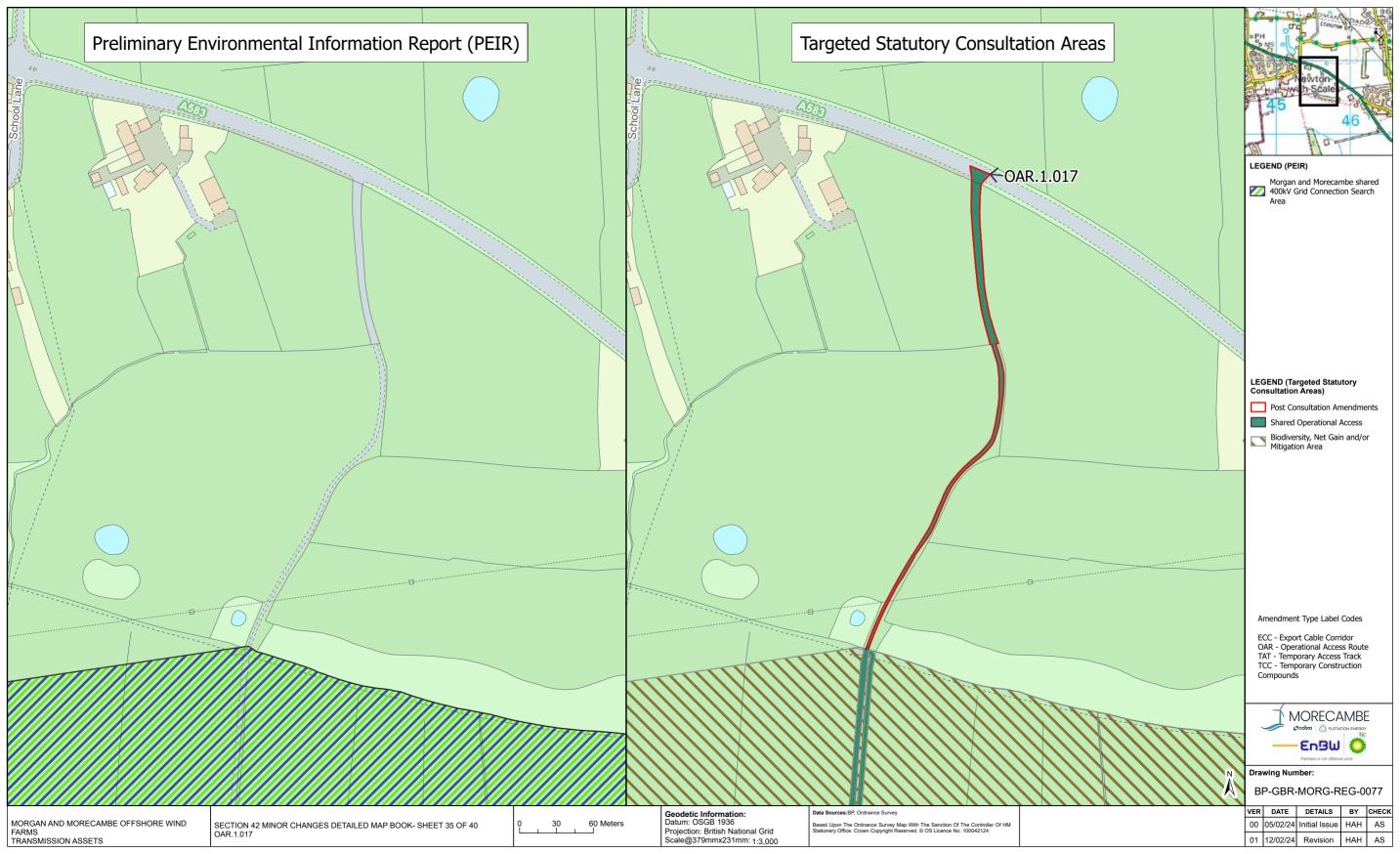


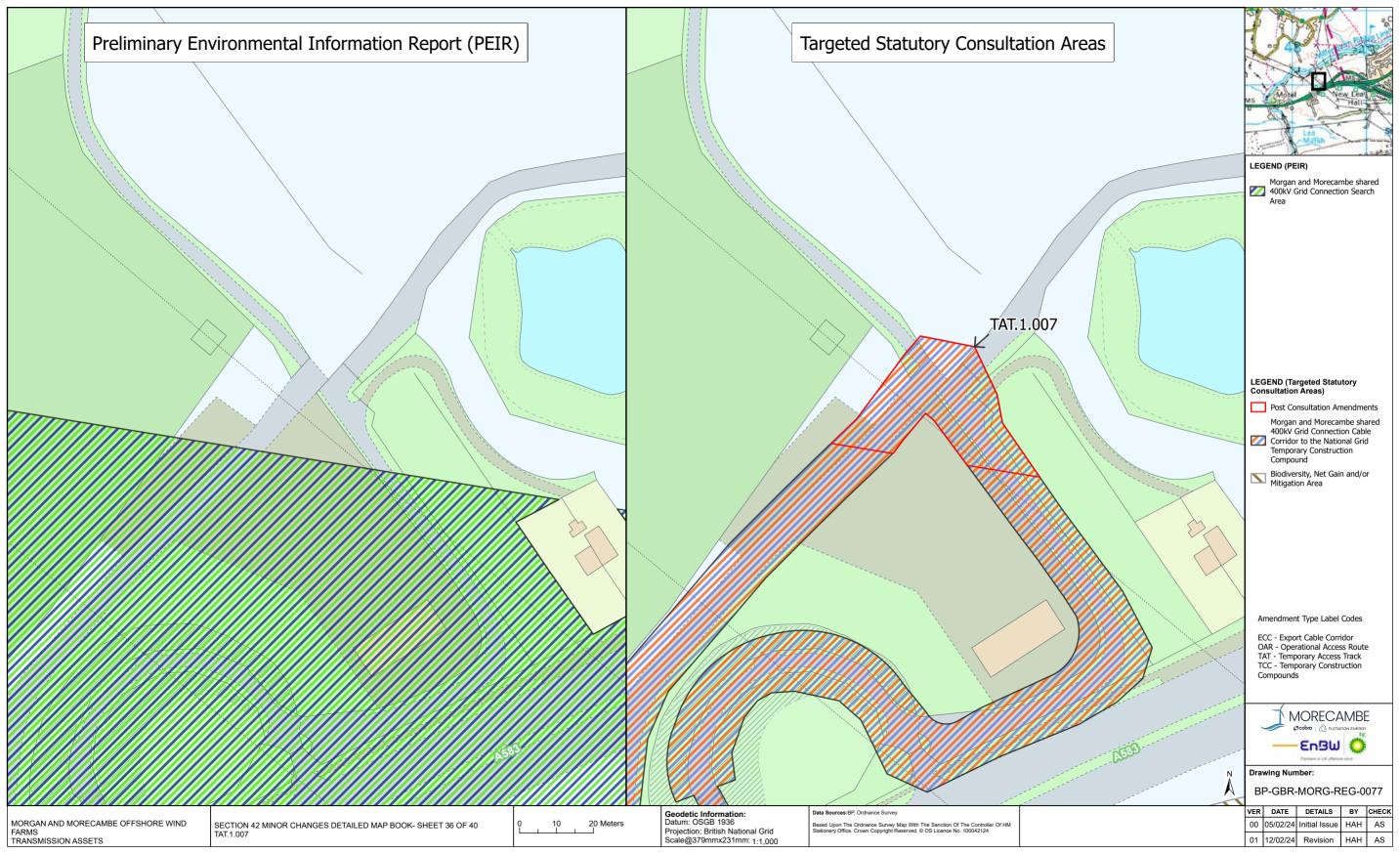


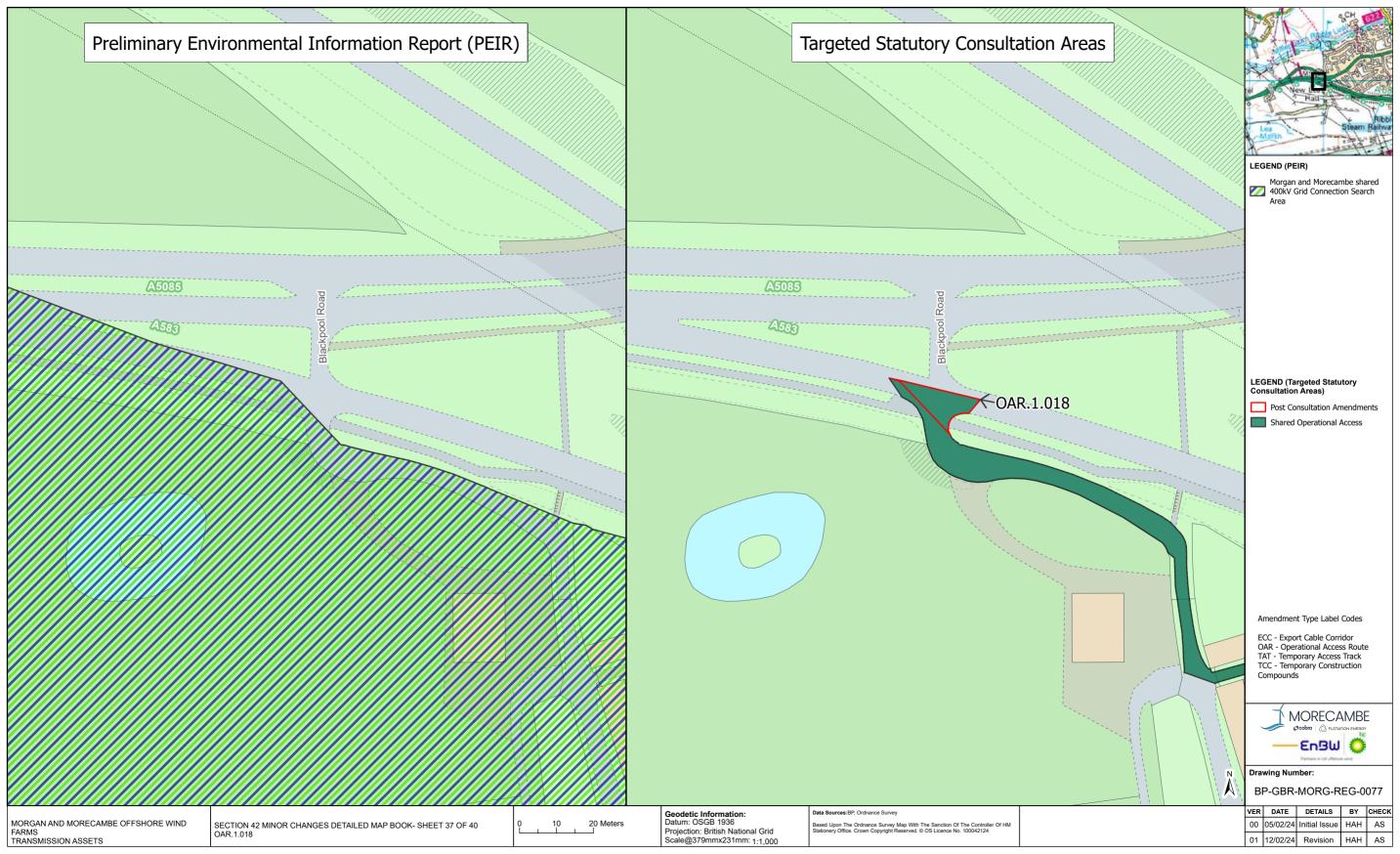




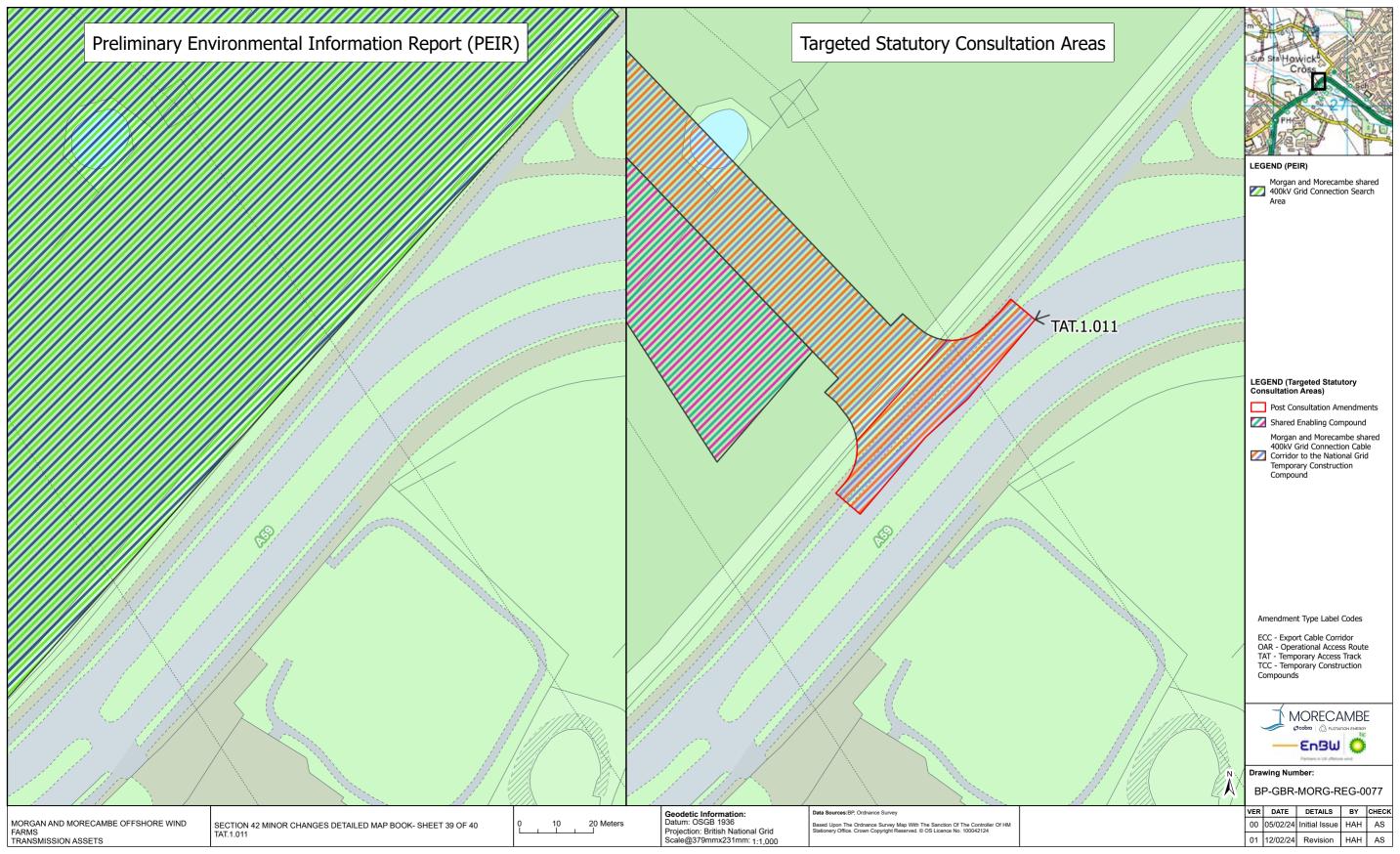




















E1.11.2.5 EIA Table

Annex 3: EIA Assessment Table

Grey	No change identified to the receptors or the relevant assessments presented at PEIR.
Green	No new/additional receptors to be affected. The impact identified within the relevant assessments presented at PEIR would be reduced. Text is provided to clarify this outcome where deemed useful.
Amber	Potential for new/additional receptors to be affected and/or a change to an impact or effect assessed in the PEIR. The changes would not affect the conclusions in the PEIR.
	Text is provided to clarify this outcome where deemed useful.
Red	Potential for new/additional receptors to be affected and/or an increase to an impact or effect assessed in the PEIR. The changes would be material and/or the conclusions of the assessment would be affected and give rise to additional significant effects. Text is provided to clarify this outcome.
Key	Definition
ECC	Onshore export cable corridor, where the amended cable route is located outside of the PEIR Red Line Boundary
TAT	Temporary access track, where this is located outside of the PEIR Red Line Boundary
OAR	Operational access routes, where these are located outside of the PEIR Red Line Boundary
TCC	Temporary construction compounds, where these are located outside of the PEIR Red Line Boundary

Topics scoped out No change to PEIR arising from any of the proposed changes for the following topics: Aviation and radar Socio-economics Climate change Historic environment

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Торіс	ECC.1.001 (Map Book sheet 16 of 40)	ECC.1.002 (Map Book sheet 7 of 40)	ECC.1.003 (Map Book sheet 12 of 40)	ECC.1.004 (Map Book sheet 21 of 40)	ECC.1.005 (Map Book sheet 26 of 40)
Geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Hydrology and flood risk (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 2)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Onshore ecology and nature conservation (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 3)	The onshore ECC route options are located closer to ponds (distances range from adjacent up to 86 m), and cross Wrea Brook. The change does not introduce any new receptors groups which were not previously considered and the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Onshore and intertidal ornithology (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 4)	The onshore ECC routed to the south is now approximately 195 m noth (approximately 370 m closer) of land that is classified as moderate functionally linked land. This is an area which contains sensitive habitats which support overwintering birds. As the new onshore ECC option lies further to the south, the surveys undertaken to date will not afford a 500 m buffer to the amended onshore ECC however, survey data is available for the amended onshore ECC m buffer to the amended onshore ECC m buffer to the amended onshore ECC itsaff. Survey data collected to date affords a 120 m buffer to the amended onshore ECC (resulting in a c. 380 m survey gap in the buffer). Survey data collected that also outside of this buffer provides sufficient contextual understanding and a reliable indication of the assemble within the c. 380 m survey gap in the buffer and this indicates that habitats are mostly pasture. This desktop data includes Fylde Bird Club data, British Trust for Omthology (BTO) data and Lancashire Environment Record Network (LERN) data. No new receptors are anticipated. Therefore, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Land use and recreation (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 6)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Traffic and transport (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 7)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Noise and vibration (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 8)	The onshore ECC route option, routed to the south is now closer to the two receptors (Great Carr Side Farm approximately 92 m to the south and Woodside Farm Huck Lane approximately 100 m to the west). In addition, the onshore ECC would now be further away from Bryning Hall Farm to the north east. Desplite the identification of new/closer receptors, due to the transient nature of the construction Yearcice (CoCP) (PEIR, Volume 1, Annex 3.1), the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Air quality (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 1)	The changes would result in some construction activity in closer proximity to small number of residential properties (Great Carr Side Farm - 92 m south and Woodide Farm Huck Lane - 100 m west). This would not alter risk levels for dust, assigned in accordance with Institute of Air. Quality Management guidance, as the sensitivity for dust soiling was alteady considered to be high. The same mitigation measures would be considered appropriate to reduce the dust impact tisk to the same level as concluded within PEIR Volume 3, Chapter 9. The conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Seascape, landscape and visual resources (PEIR, Volume 4, Chapter 1)	The onshore ECC options would be located closer to visual receptors (residential properties) at Great Carr Side Farm (approximately 92 m to the south) and Woodside Farm Huck Lane (approximately 100m to the west), equestinans using bridleway at Huck Lane (BW0503012) (crossed by the onshore ECC options), and Walkers using footpath linking Huck Lane and Great Carr Side Farm (FP0503014) (approximately to the 75 m south). This would result in greater temporary visual impacts during construction for some specific receptors. However, this would not change the overall conclusion presented at PEIR for the temporary effects on visual amenity as a result of the temporary onshore ECC construction works.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Health (PEIR, Volume 1, Annex 5.1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Cumulative and inter-related effects (Cumulative assessments in topic chapters; PEIR, Volume 5, Chapter 5 - inter- related effects)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.

Торіс	TAT.1.001A (Map Book sheet 13A of 40)	TAT.1.001B (Map Book sheet 13B of 40)	TAT.1.002 (Map Book sheet 18 of 40)	TAT.1.003A (Map Book sheet 19A of 40)	TAT.1.003B (Map Book sheet 19B of 40)	TAT.1.004 (Map Book sheet 3 of 40)	TAT.1.005 (Map Book sheet 29 of 40)
Geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Hydrology and flood risk (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 2)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	Wrea Brook is noted to be crossed by the proposed temporary access track. This is an additional crossing of Wrea Brook. However, Ordinary Watercourse receptors were considered in the PEIR and the change does not introduce any new receptors which were not previously considered. The conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Onshore ecology and nature conservation (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 3)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	The proposed temporary access track crosses Wrea Brook. However, this ecological feature was already considered as a part of a group within the PEIR. This temporary access track introduces an additional crossing of Wrea Brook. However, the change does not introduce any new receptors/ receptors groups which were not previously considered and the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.		No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Onshore and intertidal ornithology (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 4)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	The temporary access track is now approximately 295 m north (approximately 270 m closer) of land that is classified as moderate functionally linked land. This is an area which contains sensitive habitats which supro overwintering birds. As the new temporary access track lies further to the south, the surveys undertaken to date will not afford a 500 m buffer to the temporary access track. However, survey data is available for the temporary access track (testEl. Survey data collected to date affords a c. 220 m buffer to the temporary access track (testEl. Survey data collected to date affords a c. 220 m buffer to the that sits outside of this buffer privides sufficient contextual understanding and a reliable indication of the assemblages present. In addition to this, desktop data is available within the c. 280 m survey gap in the buffer and this indicates that includes Fylde Bird Club data, British Trust for Ornithology (BTO) data and Lancashire Environment Record Network (LERN) data. No new receptors are anticipated. Therefore, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.	The onshore ECC routed to the south is now approximately 525 m north (approximately 40 m closer) of land that is classified as moderate functionally linked land. This is an area which contains sensitive habitatis which support overwintering birds. As the new temporary access track lies outher to the south, the surveys undertaken to date will not afford a 500 m buffer to the temporary access track. However, survey data is available for the temporary access track itself. Survey data collected to date affords a c. 460 m buffer to the temporary access track (resulting in a c. 40 m survey gap in the buffer). Survey data collected that is outside of this buffer provides sufficient contextual understanding and a reliable indication of the assemblages present. In addition to this, desktop data is available within the c. 40 m survey gap in the buffer and this indicates that habitals are mostly pasture. This desktop data includes Fylde Bird Club data, Roitish Trust for Continblogy (BTO) data and Lancashire Environment Record PEIR emain valid.	Their temporary access track the solution to the south, the surveys undertaken to date will not afford a 500 m buffer to the temporary access track. However, survey data is available for the temporary access track itself. Survey data collected to date affords a c. 220 m buffer to the temporary access track (resulting in a c. 280 m survey gap in the buffer). Survey data collected that sits outside of this buffer provides sufficent contextual understanding and a reliable indication of the acronobinene acreend. Ib endifier to this	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Land use and recreation (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 6)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	Additional temporary impact to agricultural land but would not affect the conclusions of the PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Traffic and transport (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 7)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Noise and vibration (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 8)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Air quality (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Seascape, landscape and visual resources (PEIR, Volume 4, Chapter 1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	Potential for some additional minor temporary loss of hedgerow along Peel Rd to accommodate temporary access track and associated visibility splay. However, there would be no changes effects considered at PEIR, therefore, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.	Potential for some additional minor temporary loss of hedgerow along field boundaries to accommodate temporary access track and visibility splay. However, there would be no changes effects considered at PEIR, therefore, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.	Potential for some additional minor temporary loss of hedgerow along field boundaries to accommodate temporary access track and visibility splay. However, there would be no changes effects considered at PEIR, therefore, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	Potential for some additional minor temporary loss of hedgerow along Hillock Lane to accommodate temporary access track and visibility splay. However, there would be no changes effects considered at PEIR, therefore, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.
Health (PEIR, Volume 1, Annex 5.1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Cumulative and inter-related effects (Cumulative assessments in topic chapters; PEIR, Volume 5, Chapter 5 - inter- related effects)	The changes identified above would not alter the conclusions regarding cumulative and inter- related effects presented in the PEIR.	The changes identified above would not alter the conclusions regarding cumulative and inter- related effects presented in the PEIR.	The changes identified above would not alter the conclusions regarding cumulative and inter- related effects presented in the PEIR.	The changes identified above would not alter the conclusions regarding cumulative and inter- related effects presented in the PEIR.	The changes identified above would not alter the conclusions regarding cumulative and inter- related effects presented in the PEIR.	The changes identified above would not alter the conclusions regarding cumulative and inter- related effects presented in the PEIR.	The changes identified above would not alter the conclusions regarding cumulative and inter- related effects presented in the PEIR.

Торіс	TAT.1.006 (Map Book sheet 30 of 40)	TAT.1.007 (Map Book sheet 36 of 40)	TAT.1.008 (Map Book sheet 31 of 40)	TAT.1.009 (Map Book sheet 11 of 40)	TAT.1.010 (Map Book sheet 15 of 40)	TAT.1.011 (Map Book sheet 39 of 40)
Geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	The 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid is located within a Zone III source protection zone (SPZ) (medium sensitivity in EIA terms). The addition of the temporary access track would increase the area of works above the SPZ but no new receptors would be introduced. The SPZ is a sensitive receptor, but the increased area will not change the conclusions of the PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Hydrology and flood risk (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 2)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	Wrea Brook is noted to be crossed by the proposed temporary access track. This is an additional crossing of Wrea Brook. However, Ordinary Watercourse receptors were considered in the PEIR and the change does not introduce any new receptors which were not previously considered. The conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Onshore ecology and nature conservation (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 3)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	The proposed temporary access track crosses Wrea Brook. However, this ecological feature was already considered as a part of a group within the PEIR. This temporary access track introduces an additional crossing of Wrea Brook. However, the change does not introduce any new receptors/ receptors groups which were not previously considered and the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
					The new temporary access track option lies further to the north, the surveys undertaken to date will not afford a 500 m buffer to the atemporary access track. Survey data collected to date affords a c. 210 m buffer to the temporary access track (resulting in a c. 290 m survey gap in the buffer). Survey data collected that sits outside of this buffer provides sufficient contextual actions of the buffer provides sufficient contextual to the buffer provides sufficient or the buffer of the buffer	

Unsnore and intertical ornitrology (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 4)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	uncerstanding and a reliable indication of the assemblages present. In addition to this, desktop data is available within the c. 290 m survey gap in the buffer and this indicates that habitats are mostly pasture. This desktop data includes Fylde Bird Club data, British Trust for Ornithology (BTO) data and Lancashite Environment Record Network (LERN) data. No new receptors are anticipated. Therefore, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Land use and recreation (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 6)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Traffic and transport (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 7)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	This is a new temporary access track onto the highway network which has the potential to change traffic distribution locally (in construction phase only). However, there would be no changes effects considered at PEIR, therefore, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.	This is a new temporary access track onto the highway network which has the potential to change traffic distribution locally (in the construction phase only). However, there would be no changes effects considered at PEIR, therefore, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.
Noise and vibration (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 8)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Air quality (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Seascape, landscape and visual resources (PEIR, Volume 4, Chapter 1)	Potential for some additional minor temporary loss of hedgerow along Kirkham Road to accommodate temporary access track and visibility splay. However, there would be no changes effects considered at PEIR, therefore, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No new/additional receptors have been identified. The impact identified within the relevant assessments presented at PEIR would be slightly reduced due to the reduction in area of garden (cutrilage) area potentially to be affected, and a reduction in potential temporary visual impacts on nearby residents.	Potential for some additional minor temporary loss of hedgerow along Cartmell Road to accommodate temporary access tracks and visibility splay. However, there would be no changes effects considered at PEIR, therefore, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.	Potential for some additional minor temporary loss of hedgerow along Liverpool Road to accommodate temporary access track and visibility splay. However, there would be no changes effects considered at PEIR, therefore, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.
Health (PEIR, Volume 1, Annex 5.1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Cumulative and inter-related effects (Cumulative assessments in topic chapters; PEIR, Volume 5, Chapter 5 - inter- related effects)	The changes identified above would not alter the conclusions regarding cumulative and inter- related effects presented in the PEIR.	The changes identified above would not alter the conclusions regarding cumulative and inter- related effects presented in the PEIR.	The changes identified above would not alter the conclusions regarding cumulative and inter- related effects presented in the PEIR.	The changes identified above would not alter the conclusions regarding cumulative and inter- related effects presented in the PEIR.	The changes identified above would not alter the conclusions regarding cumulative and inter- related effects presented in the PEIR.	The changes identified above would not alter the conclusions regarding cumulative and inter- related effects presented in the PEIR.

Торіс	OAR.1.001 (Map Book sheet 5 of 40)	OAR.1.002 (Map Book sheet 6 of 40)	OAR.1.003 (Map Book sheet 14 of 40)	OAR.1.004A (Map Book sheet 17A of 40)	OAR.1.004B (Map Book sheet 17B of 40)	OAR.1.004C (Map Book sheet 17C of 40)	OAR.1.005A (Map Book sheet 20A of 40)
Geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Hydrology and flood risk (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 2)	Additional Ordinary Watercourse (Unnamed) receptors are noted in provimity (ranging from approximately 20 m to 150 m) to the proposed operational access. The operational access routes generally utilize existing farms tracks and will be accessed infrequently during the operational and maintenance phase. There is also no construction proposed as part of the operational access routes. Therefore, despite additional receptors being identified, the assessment of Ordinary Watercourses within the PEIR remain valid.	An additional ordinary watercourse receptor (Branch Drain) is noted to be adjacent to the proposed operational access. The operational access routes generally utilise existing farms tracks and will be accessed infrequently during the operational and maintenance phase. There is also no construction proposed as part of the operational access routes. Therefore, despite additional receptors being identified, the assessment of ordinary watercourses within the PEIR remains unchanged. The conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Onshore ecology and nature conservation (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 3)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Onshore and intertidal ornithology (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 4)	This operational access is located within land that is classified as high functionally linked land (an area withio contains sensitive habitats which support overwintering birds). As part of the operational access lies further to the north, the surveys undertaken to date will not alford a 500 buffer to the right of access. However, survey data is available for this part of the access itself. Survey data collected to date provides a c. 160 m buffer to the right of access. (resulting in a c. 340 m survey gap in the buffer.) Survey data collected that sits outside of this buffer provides sufficient contextual understanding and a reliable indication of the assemblages present. In addition to this, desktop data is available within the c. 340 m survey gap in the buffer and this indicates that includes Fylde Bird Club data, British Trust for Omithology (BTO) data and Lancashire Environment Record Network (LERN) data. No new receptors are anticipated. Therefore, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Land use and recreation (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 6)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Traffic and transport (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 7)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Noise and vibration (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 8)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Air quality (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Seascape, landscape and visual resources (PEIR, Volume 4, Chapter 1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Health (PEIR, Volume 1, Annex 5.1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Cumulative and inter-related effects (Cumulative assessments in topic chapters; PEIR, Volume 5, Chapter 5 - inter- related effects)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.

Торіс	OAR.1.005B (Map Book sheet 20B of 40)	OAR:1.005C (Map Book sheet 20C of 40)	OAR.1.005D (Map Book sheet 20D of 40)	OAR:1.005E (Map Book sheet 20E of 40)	OAR:1.005F (Map Book sheet 20F of 40)	OAR.1.005G (Map Book sheet 20G of 40)	OAR.1.005H (Map Book sheet 20H of 40)	OAR.1.006 (Map Book sheet 22 of 40)	OAR.1.007 (Map Book sheet 23 of 40)	OAR.1.008 (Map Book sheet 24 of 40)
Geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.						
Hydrology and flood risk (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 2)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.						

| Onshore ecology and nature
conservation
(PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 3) | No change to conclusions in PEIR. |
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| Onshore and intertidal ornithology
(PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 4) | No change to conclusions in PEIR. |
| Land use and recreation
(PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 6) | No change to conclusions in PEIR. |
| Traffic and transport
(PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 7) | No change to conclusions in PEIR. |
| Noise and vibration
(PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 8) | No change to conclusions in PEIR. |
| Air quality
(PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 1) | No change to conclusions in PEIR. |
| Seascape, landscape and visual
resources
(PEIR, Volume 4, Chapter 1) | No change to conclusions in PEIR. |
| Health
(PEIR, Volume 1, Annex 5.1) | No change to conclusions in PEIR. |
| Cumulative and inter-related effects
(Cumulative assessments in topic
chapters;
PEIR, Volume 5, Chapter 5 - inter-
related effects) | No change to conclusions in PEIR. |

Торіс	OAR.1.009 (Map Book sheet 27 of 40)	OAR.1.010 (Map Book sheet 32 of 40)	OAR.1.011 (Map Book sheet 1 of 40)	OAR.1.012 (Map Book sheet 8 of 40)	OAR.1.013 (Map Book sheet 10 of 40)	OAR.1.014A (Map Book sheet 25A of 40)	OAR.1.014B (Map Book sheet 25B of 40)	OAR.1.014C (Map Book sheet 25C of 40)	OAR.1.014D (Map Book sheet 25D of 40)	OAR.1.015 (Map Book sheet 33 of 40)
Geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Hydrology and flood risk (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 2)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	The proposed operational access is adjacent to an Ordinary Watercourse. The operational access routes generally utilise existing farms tracks and will be accessed infrequently during the operational and maintenance phase. There is also no construction proposed as part of the operational access routes. Therefore, there would be no changes to the potential impacts considered at PEIR, and, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	The proposed operational access is adjacent to surface water features. The operational access routes generally utilise existing farms tracks and will be accessed infrequently during the operational and maintenance phase. There is also no construction proposed as part of the operational access routes. There would be no changes to the potential impacts considered at PEIR, therefore, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.	utilise existing farms tracks and will be accessed	The proposed operational access is located approximately 110 m south east of a surface water feature. The operational access routes generally utilise existing farms tracks and will be accessed infrequently during the operational and maintenance phase. There is also no construction proposed as part of the operational access routes. There would therefore be no changes to the potential impacts considered at PER, and the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.	The proposed operational access is located approximately 115 m south east of a surface water feature. The operational access routes generally utilise existing farms tracks and will be accessed infrequently during the operational and maintenance phase. There is also no construction proposed as part of the operational access routes. There would therefore be no changes to the potential impacts considered at PEIR, and the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Onshore ecology and nature conservation (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 3)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Onshore and intertidal ornithology (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 4)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Land use and recreation (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 6)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Traffic and transport (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 7)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Noise and vibration (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 8)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Air quality (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Seascape, landscape and visual resources (PEIR, Volume 4, Chapter 1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Health (PEIR, Volume 1, Annex 5.1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Cumulative and inter-related effects (Cumulative assessments in topic chapters; PEIR, Volume 5, Chapter 5 - inter- related effects)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.

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Торіс	(Map Book sheet 34 of 40)	(Map Book sheet 35 of 40)	(Map Book sheet 37 of 40)	(Map Book sheet 38 of 40)	(Map Book sheet 9 of 40)	(Map Book sheet 4 of 40)	(Map Book sheet 2 of 40)	(Map Book sheet 40 of 40)
Geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.							
Hydrology and flood risk (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 2)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.							
Onshore ecology and nature conservation (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 3)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.							
Onshore and intertidal ornithology (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 4)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.							
Land use and recreation (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 6)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.							
Traffic and transport (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 7)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.							
Noise and vibration (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 8)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.							
Air quality (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.							
Seascape, landscape and visual resources (PEIR, Volume 4, Chapter 1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.							
Health (PEIR, Volume 1, Annex 5.1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.							

Cumulative and inter-related effects (Cumulative assessments in topic chapters; PEIR, Volume 5, Chapter 5 - inter- related effects)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.							
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Торіс	TCC.1.001	TCC.1.002
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Geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Hydrology and flood risk (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 2)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Onshore ecology and nature conservation (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 3)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Onshore and intertidal ornithology (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 4)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Land use and recreation (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 6)	Additional temporary impact on agricultural land due to additional temporary land take associated with temporary access track. However, this minor additional temporary land take would not materially change the impacts considered at PEIR, therefore, the overall conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.	Additional temporary impact on agricultural land due to additional temporary land take associated with temporary access track. However, this minor additional temporary land take of agricultural land would not materially change the impacts considered at PEIR, therefore, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.
Traffic and transport (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 7)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Noise and vibration (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 8)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	There would be additional receptors closer to the new compound (Oliroy House (approximately 250 m to the south west), Nearer Hillock Farm (approximately 420 m to the south west) and Further Hillock Farm (approximately 440 m to the south west)). However, owing to the temporary nature of the compound and the proximity of the receptors to the compound, there would be no changes to the overall impacts considered at PEIR, therefore, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.
Air quality (PEIR, Volume 3, Chapter 1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Seascape, landscape and visual resources (PEIR, Volume 4, Chapter 1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Health (PEIR, Volume 1, Annex 5.1)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.
Cumulative and inter-related effects (Cumulative assessments in topic chapters; PEIR, Volume 5, Chapter 5 - inter- related effects)	No change to conclusions in PEIR.	No change to conclusions in PEIR.







E1.11.2.6 Targeted Hard Copy Feedback Form





Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets ("the Project")

Targeted Statutory Consultation: 23 February to 24 March 2024

Targeted Statutory Consultation Feedback Form

The consultation

This Targeted Statutory Consultation relates to proposed changes to the design of the onshore Export Cable Corridor (ECC) that have been identified following consideration of responses to the Statutory Consultation on the Project's Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) (which took place between 12 October to 23 November 2023) and ongoing route refinement.

This Targeted Statutory Consultation will run from 23 February to 23:59 on 24 March 2024.

Your feedback will help us further develop our proposals. An application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) for the proposed Project will be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate in 2024 and will be decided on by the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, in accordance with the Planning Act 2008.

Once the consultation has closed, we will carefully consider all the feedback we receive as we continue to refine our proposals. We will publish this feedback, and any other Project responses, in our Consultation Report, which will be submitted as part of our DCO application.

This feedback form is for use in connection with the Targeted Statutory Consultation on proposed updates to the design of the onshore Export Cable Corridor (ECC). We encourage you to complete this feedback form while referring to the hard copy documents enclosed to understand the proposals in more detail. Further, please visit <u>www.morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission</u> to find out more about the Project and our Preliminary Environmental Information Report and associated documents.

When providing your response, please include your name and contact details (a postal or email address) and confirm the nature of your interest in the Project.

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Surname:		
Company / organisation, if applicable (optional):		
Address:		
Postcode:		
Email address (optional):		
Please indicate Yes or No if you would like to opt in to receive Project updates:		
Please refer to Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) at the end of this document for details of how we		
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Consultation questions

Q1 - Do you have any comments / feedback on the proposed amendments shown in – **Annex 2: Map Book**? If so, please indicate which proposed change(s) you are commenting on using the change ID, e.g. ECC.1.001

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Please provide any additional feedback / comments on this page)





How to respond

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The deadline stated in the Targeted Statutory Consultation Letter for the receipt of comments is 23:59 on 24 March 2024.

Should you require any of our materials in a more accessible format, please contact us on info morecambeandmorgan.com or 0800 915 2493 (option 3).

This Targeted Statutory Consultation Feedback Form is provided to those who have an interest in the land and/or are potentially affected by the proposed changes subsequent to the publication of the PEIR. If you provided a response to the Statutory Consultation on the PEIR, please be assured that these responses are being considered by the Project.

The Applicants welcome further engagement with you on any other matters related to the Project that interest you outside of this consultation. The planning process expects developers and consultees to work together to resolve as many issues as possible before an application is submitted. This consultation and our wider engagement are key parts of this process, and we hope that you will use this opportunity to engage with us.

Privacy Notice

Your privacy matters to us and we are transparent about how we use your data.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Why are we collecting this data?

- We value your feedback to help us develop our proposals for the Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets
- To allow us to keep you up to date as the Project progresses
- To meet our statutory obligations under the Planning Act 2008 and any other relevant legislation.

Who are we sharing this information with?

- With our contractors and suppliers with whom we have contracts in place to support in the development of the Project. For example, Dalcour Maclaren, Camargue, RPS, and Royal HaskoningDHV who act on behalf of the Project.
- With relevant government bodies, such as the Planning Inspectorate and the Department of Energy Security and Net Zero, to support the project planning application process.

How long will we keep this information?

• We will keep the information for the time required to fulfil the purposes of the Project.

If you wish to update your information, find out more, or make any requests, please contact:

- Email: info@morecambeandmorgan.com
- Phone: 0800 915 2493 (option 3)







E1.11.2.7 Example letter sent to Group 2 consultees





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Dear salutation,

Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets - Minor Onshore Route Amendments

Targeted Statutory Consultation under Section 42(1)(d) of the Planning Act 2008

We are writing to you as you have been identified as having an interest in the land ('affected persons') that falls within the proposed development area, related to this Targeted Statutory Consultation, for the Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets Project ('the Project'), or otherwise meet the criteria of Section 44 of the Planning Act 2008 ('the Act'). The identification of affected persons under Section 44 of the Act is an ongoing process that will be finalised prior to submission of the DCO application. This Targeted Statutory Consultation commences on **23 February 2024** and closes **23:59 on 24 March 2024.** Please see below for more information on how to view and comment on our proposed application.

The Project

The Project involves the construction of two transmission systems connecting the Morgan Offshore Wind Project ('Morgan') and the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm ('Morecambe') in the east Irish Sea to the national grid at Penwortham, Lancashire. It will comprise both permanent and temporary infrastructure including, but not limited to:

• Offshore infrastructure including offshore export cables;

• Landfall works (where the offshore cables reach the shore in the vicinity of Blackpool Airport) between Mean Low Water Springs and the transition joint bays including the offshore and onshore cables, intertidal working area and landfall construction compound(s), and temporary and permanent access;

• Onshore infrastructure from the transition joint bays to the electricity transmission network connection. This includes onshore export cables to two new substations, temporary construction compounds, temporary and permanent access, and onward cable connections to the existing National Grid substation at Penwortham, Lancashire; and

• Areas for biodiversity net gain, enhancement and/ or mitigation, including permanent access for operation and maintenance of those areas.





This Targeted Statutory Consultation under section 42(1) of the Act, covering a number of minor onshore route amendments, is in addition to the statutory consultation undertaken between 28 October and 8 December (Scoping Report) and between 12 October and 23 November 2023 (Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR)).

Preliminary Environmental Information Report

Last year, between 12 October 2023 and 23 November 2023, the Project undertook a period of Statutory Consultation. This included the publishing of the following:

- PEIR, which sets out the current environmental baseline, assesses the potential environmental impacts to and from the Project, and proposes mitigations for potential likely significant effects;
- PEIR Non-Technical Summary, which summarised key points in the PEIR;
- Draft Development Consent Order;
- Draft Work Plans, and plans and maps showing the nature and location of the Project; and
- Statement of Community Consultation ("SoCC"), which sets out how the Project will consult local communities during the statutory consultation.

These documents, plus all other documents consulted upon during that time, can be accessed online via the Information Hub on the Project website at: <u>https://morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission/</u>.

Proposed Changes

This Targeted Statutory Consultation relates to refinements to the design of the onshore Export Cable Corridor (ECC) that have been identified following consideration of responses to the Statutory Consultation on the PEIR and ongoing route refinement. These proposed changes are shown in the **Annex 2a: Overview Map Book** and **Annex 2b: Detailed Map Book**. Provided below is an overview of the proposed changes within these 2 documents. **Annex 1a** provides the rationale and a summary of the potential environmental impacts associated with these amendments (detailed in the enclosed **Annex 3: EIA Assessment Table**).

The Project is proposing 41 minor amendments to the onshore route shown at PEIR. These are detailed in **Annex 1a** to this letter and comprises:

- 5 amendments to the onshore ECC route;
- 11 amendments to temporary access tracks;
- 23 amendments to the operational access routes; and
- 2 amendments to temporary construction compounds.

Please find enclosed a:

- Hard copy of the Overview Map Book (Annex 2a);
- Hard copy of the EIA Assessment Table (Annex 3); and
- Hard copy of the PEIR consultation brochure (dated October 2023).

These annexes, plus the **Annex 2b**: **Detailed Map Book**, can be accessed online via the Information Hub on the Project website at: <u>https://morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission/</u>. If you would like hard copies of any of the detailed maps in **Annex 2b**, these can be provided on request at no extra charge, using the contact details given below.





This Targeted Statutory Consultation is provided to those who have an interest in the land and/or are potentially affected by the changes detailed above. If you have already provided a response to the Statutory Consultation on the PEIR, please be assured that these responses are being considered by the Project.

The Development Consent Order Application

The Morgan Offshore Wind Project and the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm are Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects under the Act, as they exceed the threshold for an offshore generating station of 100 megawatts. Following a request from the Project, on 4 October 2022 the Secretary of State issued a direction that the Transmission Assets should be treated as development for which development consent is required under the Act. Applications for development consent under the Planning Act 2008 are submitted to and examined by the Planning Inspectorate and determined by the relevant Secretary of State. At the time of writing, this is the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero.

The Development Consent Order (DCO) application will include full details of the Project and will be accompanied by an Environmental Statement in accordance with the Act and the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. The requirements for applications to the Secretary of State for a DCO are set out in the Act, and subsequent guidance has been issued by the UK Government Planning Inspectorate. relevant information can be found and the The here: https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk.

The proposed DCO will include powers for the Morgan Offshore Wind Project Limited and Morecambe Offshore Windfarm Limited development to construct, operate and maintain two transmission systems, together with associated development. It will also grant deemed marine licences under Part 4 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 in connection with the two wind farms. The proposed DCO will seek the compulsory acquisition of land and rights over land, including the power to take temporary possession of land to construct and maintain the transmission systems.

The Project is currently in the pre-application phase, with a DCO application expected to be submitted in Q3 2024. Under the Act, the Project is required to carry out consultation on the proposed DCO application before submission and will have regard to the responses received in the final design, and in the assessment and mitigation of its environmental impacts. A Consultation Report explaining how Project has had regard to responses will be submitted as part of the DCO application.

Providing feedback and next steps

You have been identified as a consultee for this Project in relation to this Targeted Statutory Consultation and we are also keen to hear your views on our proposed amendments.

There are two ways to submit feedback:

- By email to info@morecambeandmorgan.com
- In writing by completing and returning the form at **Annex 1b** to this letter to FREEPOST MORECAMBE AND MORGAN using the envelope provided.

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As mentioned above, this consultation under section 42(d)(1) of the Act, is a formal part of the preapplication process for a DCO. Please note that comments and representations received will be reviewed and considered by the Project and any appointed agent of the Project. Copies of comments and representations will be made available in due course to the Secretary of State, the Planning Inspectorate, and other relevant statutory authorities as part of a Consultation Report to be submitted with the Application and will, therefore, be made publicly available.





Guidance on the pre-application process and the Act can be found on the Planning Inspectorate's website: http://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/legislation-and-advice/

If you have any questions regarding the process or content of this consultation, please do not hesitate to get in touch by telephone on 0800 915 2493 (option 3), or by emailing <u>info@morecambeandmorgan.com</u>.

Kind regards,

Project Consent Manager Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets project, on behalf of Morgan Offshore Wind Limited info@morecambeandmorgan.com

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Annex 1a: Supporting information on the proposed minor onshore route amendments

The proposed amendments which are the subject of this Targeted Statutory Consultation are located entirely onshore (with these being minor amendments relating to the onshore ECC, temporary access tracks, temporary compounds and operational access routes).

The location of the 41 proposed amendments is presented in the **Overview Map Book (Annex 2a)** and **Detailed Map Book (Annex 2b)**. The rationale for the individual amendments is set out in **Table 2** and identified by the key presented in **Table 1**.

	Onshore Export Cable Corridor, where the amended cable route is located outside of
ECC	the PEIR Red Line Boundary
TAT	Temporary access track, where this is located outside of the PEIR Red Line Boundary
	Operational access routes, both pre- and post-construction, where these are located
OAR	outside of the PEIR Red Line Boundary
	Temporary construction compounds, where these are located outside of the PEIR Red
TCC	Line Boundary

Table 1 Key used to identify amendments in Table 2.

Table 2 Change ID and reason for the proposed minor onshore route amendments.

Change ID	Reason for change		
Operational Access Route (OAR)			
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities		
OAR.1.001	for the onshore ECC off of Peel Road and onto Anna's Road.		
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities		
OAR.1.002	for the onshore ECC off of Peel Road.		
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities		
OAR.1.003	for the onshore ECC south off of Bryning Hall Farm.		
	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and		
OAR.1.004A-C	maintenance activities off of Huck Lane.		
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities		
OAR.1.005A-H	for the onshore ECC west off of Brynning Lane.		
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities		
OAR.1.006	for the onshore ECC off of Brynning Lane.		
	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and		
	maintenance activities further south off of Brynning Lane and runs parallel to		
OAR.1.007	Greenacres Caravan Park along the Public Right of Way (PRoW) (FP0503002).		
	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and		
OAR.1.008	maintenance activities north off of Hillock Lane and Nearer Hillock Farm.		
	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and		
OAR.1.009	maintenance activities north off of Hillock Lane and Nearer Hillock Farm.		
	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and		
OAR.1.010	maintenance activities off of Kirkham Road.		





	Partners in UK offshore wind
	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and
OAR.1.011	maintenance activities off of B5261 to the northeast of Blackpool Airport.
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
OAR.1.012	for the onshore ECC off of Ballam Road.
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
OAR.1.013	for the onshore ECC off of Saltcoates Road.
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
	for the onshore ECC off of Hillock Lane, near to Nearer Hillock Farm along the
OAR.1.014A-D	PRoW (FP0503004).
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
	for the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid off of Thames
OAR.1.015	Street and along the PRoW (FP0509005).
0/11.1.010	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
	for the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid off of Lund Way
OAR.1.016	and along the PRoW (BW0509012).
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
	for the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid off of Blackpool
OAR.1.017	Road, A583.
UAR.1.017	
	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
OAR.1.018	for the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid off of Blackpool
UAR. 1.010	Road, A583 close to New Hall Farm.
	Operational access added for routine maintenance activities for an area
OAR.1.019	providing mitigation, enhancement and or net gain off of Skip Lane.
0404000	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
OAR.1.020	for the onshore ECC off of Ballam Road, north of Bridge Farm.
0404004	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
OAR.1.021	for the onshore ECC off of North Houses Lane.
OAR.1.022	Operational access added for routine maintenance activities for an area
0/111.1.022	providing mitigation, enhancement and or net gain off of West Moss Lane.Operational access added for routine maintenance activities for an area
OAR.1.023	providing mitigation, enhancement and or net gain off of Rattan Lane.
Onshore Export Cab	
	Onshore ECC re-routed and optionality included due to landowner feedback
	and presence of an ecological designation (priority habitat) to allow for further
ECC.1.001	feedback and refinement.
ECC.1.001	Onshore ECC widened east of Peel Road to allow for the potentially complex
FCC 1 002	trenchless crossing of obstacles including the public highway and high pressure
ECC.1.002	gas pipeline.
F00 4 000	Onshore ECC widened east of Huck Lane to allow for the potentially complex
ECC.1.003	trenchless crossing of obstacles including the public highway and railway line.
500 4 00 4	Onshore ECC moved north to provide further distance and reduce the potential
ECC.1.004	impact on residential houses on Bryning Lane.
	Onshore ECC moved north, north of Hillock Lane, to provide further distance
ECC.1.005	and reduce potential impact on the woodland.
Temporary Access T	
TAT.1.001A-B	TAT widened at the junction of Cartmell Lane and Huck Lane to increase the
	visibility splay in order to improve safety.





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TAT.1.002	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay along Huck Lane	
	close to Woodside Farm to in order to improve safety.	
TAT.1.003A-B	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay close to the	
	junction of Bryning Lane and Wrea Brook in order to improve safety.	
TAT.1.004	TAT added with associated visibility splay along the B5410.	
TAT.1.005	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay close to the	
	junction of Hillock Lane and PRoW (FP0503004) in order to improve safety.	
TAT.1.006	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay along Kirkham	
	Road to improve safety.	
TAT.1.007	TAT added along the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid	
	off of Blackpool Road.	
TAT.1.008	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay just south of the	
	junction of Kirkham Road and The Chaltons in order to improve safety.	
TAT.1.009	TAT moved north along Saltcoates Road due to a reduction in the temporary	
	onshore ECC width and in addition to avoid residential gardens.	
	Temporary access track along the Onshore ECC added off of Cartmell Lane in	
TAT.1.010	order to provide access either side of Wrea Brook.	
	TAT and visibility splay added along the A59 to serve access to 400kV grid	
TAT.1.011	connection cable corridor to the national grid, in order to improve safety.	
Temporary Construction Compound (TCC)		
	TCC extended along Bryning Lane to allow temporary access into the	
TCC.1.001	compound.	
	TCC has been added for Morecambe off of Hillock Lane to facilitate access for	
TCC.1.002	the construction of the onshore ECC.	

The operational access routes have been designed and included along the onshore ECC and 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid, to enable access for routine operation and maintenance activities. For example, for the inspection of link boxes where corrective activities may be required. Further information regarding the operation and maintenance period can be found online via the Project's Information Hub https://morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission/ PEIR Volume 1, Chapter 3: Project Description.

The Project will be seeking to put in place voluntary agreements with affected landowners. However, the Project will also be applying for compulsory acquisition powers where agreements cannot be reached by negotiation. It should be noted that the Project will remove and reinstate all temporary construction accesses as previously proposed in the PEIR. Where the Project requires an operational access right over an existing track or public right of way, powers will be sought to secure ongoing rights of access, including rights to remove any obstructions, including the maintenance of existing vegetation to enable safe access and egress.

Please note that references to specific PRoWs cited in Table 2 can be found online via the Project's Information Hub <u>https://morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission/</u> PEIR Volume 3, Figures: 6.2 Public Rights of Way.

As detailed above, the Project is not proposing any amendments affecting the intertidal (i.e. the area between Mean Low Water Springs and Mean High Water Springs (MLWS)) or offshore areas (i.e. seawards of MLWS) of the PEIR red line boundary. Therefore, this Targeted Statutory Consultation only relates to the minor changes detailed in this letter and accompanying materials.





Environmental topic specialists have reviewed the potential for any new receptors to be affected by the proposed amendments, or for there to be any potential change to the impacts and/or effects presented in PEIR. Due to the minor nature of the proposed amendments, no new receptors or changes to the assessments presented at PEIR have been identified for the following topics:

- Socio-economics;
- Aviation and radar;
- Climate change; and
- Historic environment.

For the remaining topics areas, a review of the potential for changes related to the environment impact assessments presented at PEIR has been undertaken using the criteria set out in **Table 3** and presented in full within **Annex 3: EIA Assessment Table**. A summary of the findings of this process is set out in **Table 4**.

No change identified to the receptors or the relevant assessments presented at PEIR.
Text is provided in the cell to clarify this outcome where deemed useful.
No new/additional receptors to be affected. The impact identified within the relevant
assessments presented at PEIR would be reduced.
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Potential for new/additional receptors to be affected and/or a change to an impact or effect
assessed in the PEIR. The changes would not affect the conclusions in the PEIR.
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Potential for new/additional receptors to be affected and/or an increase to an impact or effect
assessed in the PEIR. The changes would be material and/or the conclusions of the
assessment would be affected and give rise to additional significant effects.
Text is provided in the cell to clarify this outcome.

 Table 3 Key to environmental assessment presented in EIA Assessment Table.

Table 4 Summary of environmental assessment of the proposed minor onshore route amendments.

Geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC, operational access routes or temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

One of the amendments in relation to temporary access tracks (TAT.1.007) would result in an increased area of works within one Source Protection Zone III (SPZ). However, no new receptors would be introduced as the 400 kV grid connection corridor search area was assessed within the SPZ III as part of the PEIR and the increased area would not change the conclusions of the PEIR. No changes to the receptors or potential new sources of contamination have been identified beyond those already identified in the PEIR. No changes to the assessments in the PEIR are therefore required and the conclusions remain valid.

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Hydrology and flood risk

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC, temporary access tracks or temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

The amended operational access routes would result in infrequent vehicle movements closer to some watercourses along field margins that were previously further from any proposed activity. Such changes are considered minor and will not affect the assessment and conclusions set out in the PEIR.

Onshore ecology and nature conservation

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC or temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

Two of the minor changes relating to temporary access tracks (TAT.1.003B, TAT.1.010) would result in a greater length of the Wrea Brook being located within the area of works and additional hedgerows/ponds located in closer proximity. These receptor types and the species that they support were assessed within PEIR. Therefore, the changes are considered minor and will not affect the assessment set out in the PEIR and the conclusions remain valid.

The use of existing tracks or fields to provide operational access routes on an occasional basis would not affect the conclusions presented in the PEIR.

Onshore and intertidal ornithology

None of the minor amendments to the temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

One of the minor changes relating to the location of the onshore ECC route (ECC.1.001) and temporary access tracks (TAT.1.010) would result in an increased area of works in closer proximity to functionally linked land (an area which contains sensitive habitats which supports overwintering birds). One of the proposed operational access routes (OAR.1.001) is also located in this area. These were assessed in the PEIR. The study area that was applied at PEIR for ornithological features was 500m from the PEIR Red Line Boundary. Where the temporary access tracks and operational access routes have been amended, the study area is no longer 500 m at all locations. However, based on the available desktop information and survey data for consideration, no new or additional receptors are anticipated. The changes are considered minor and will not affect the assessment set out in the PEIR.

Land use and agriculture

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC or operational access routes would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

The minor amendments to temporary access tracks and temporary construction compounds present additional impacts to some landholdings, but not to a scale that would affect the conclusions presented in the PEIR.

Where the minor amendments (TAT.1.004) potentially impact on the main bridleway route along Huck Lane (PRoW BW0503012), the potential disruption was already assessed within the PEIR and would be managed through the Public Rights of Way (PRoW) Management Plan. As such, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Traffic and transport

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC, operational access routes or temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

Minor amendments (TAT.1.010, TAT.1.011) to introduce new temporary accesses onto the highway network present the potential to change traffic distribution locally in construction phase. However, the scale of this would not change the conclusions of the PEIR. The minor amendments will not result in

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any changes to the receptors identified and assessed within the PEIR and so the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Noise and vibration

None of the minor amendments to the temporary access tracks or operational access routes would result in any change to the identified receptors or any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

One of the amendments to the onshore ECC (ECC.1.001) would be closer to Great Carr Side Farm and Woodside Farm Huck Lane. However, this option would also be further away from Bryning Hall Farm to the north east. Another, minor amendment to the temporary construction compounds would result in additional receptors closer to the revised temporary construction compound location (TCC.1.002) (Olroy House, Nearer Hillock Farm and Further Hillock Farm). The minor amendments will not result in any changes to the assessment presented within the PEIR and the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Air quality

None of the minor amendments to the temporary access tracks, temporary construction compounds or operational access routes would result in any change to the identified receptors or any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

One of the amendments for the onshore ECC (ECC.1.001) would result in some construction activity in closer proximity to small number of residential receptors. However, this would not alter risk levels for dust assigned in accordance with Institute of Air Quality Management guidance. Therefore, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Seascape, landscape and visual resources

None of the minor amendments to the temporary construction compounds or operational access routes would result in any change to the identified receptors or any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

The amendment to the onshore ECC (ECC.1.001) would be located closer to visual receptors at Great Carr Side Farm and Woodside Farm Huck Lane, equestrians using bridleway at Huck Lane, and walkers using footpath linking Huck Lane and Great Carr Side Farm. This would result in higher levels of temporary visual impacts during construction for some specific receptors. The minor amendments to temporary access tracks (TAT.1.002, TAT.1.003A-B, TAT.1.005, TAT.1.006, TAT.1.010 & TAT.1.011) present potential loss of hedgerow, but also potential reduction in temporary visual impacts where existing screening is unaffected. Despite the changed proximity of receptors, these are limited and the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Human health

No significant health effects were identified at PEIR. The minor amendments presented in **Table 2** would not result in any changes to the receptors identified and assessed within the PEIR and the conclusions of the PEIR would remain valid.

Conclusion

The environmental assessment of the proposed onshore route amendments has concluded that only minor changes to receptors remain within the assessments set out in the PEIR and the PEIR conclusions remain valid. No new receptors have been identified as a result of the changes being consulted upon that will require assessment above and beyond that set out in the PEIR.

A full assessment of all proposed changes taken forward into the DCO application will be presented in the Environmental Statement submitted by the Project in support of the final DCO application.





Annex 1b: Consultation questions

Q1 - Do you have any comments / feedback on the proposed amendments shown in – **Annex 2a: Overview Map Book** and **Annex 2b: Detailed Map Book**? If so, please indicate which proposed change(s) you are commenting on using the change ID, e.g. ECC.1.001

Q2 - Do you have any comments / feedback on the potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed amendments shown in - Annex 1a: Supporting information on the proposed minor onshore route amendments and Annex 3: EIA Assessment Table?

Q3 - Do you have any other comments or feedback on the Project generally? (Please use next page if required)





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E1.11.2.8 Example letter sent to Group 3 consultees





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Dear,

Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets - Preliminary Environmental Information Report and Subsequent Minor Onshore Route Amendments

Targeted Statutory Consultation under Section 42(1)(d) of the Planning Act 2008

We are writing to you as you have been identified as having an interest in the land ('affected persons') that falls within the proposed development area, related to this Targeted Statutory Consultation, for the Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets Project ('the Project'), or otherwise meet the criteria of Section 44 of the Planning Act 2008 ('the Act'). The identification of affected persons under Section 44 of the Act is an ongoing process that will be finalised prior to submission of the DCO application. This Targeted Statutory Consultation commences on **23 February 2024** and closes **23:59 on 24 March 2024**. Please see below for more information on how to view and comment on our proposed application.

The Project

The Project involves the construction of two transmission systems connecting the Morgan Offshore Wind Project ('Morgan') and the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm ('Morecambe') in the east Irish Sea to the national grid at Penwortham, Lancashire. It will comprise both permanent and temporary infrastructure including, but not limited to:

• Offshore infrastructure including offshore export cables;

• Landfall works (where the offshore cables reach the shore in the vicinity of Blackpool Airport) between Mean Low Water Springs and the transition joint bays including the offshore and onshore cables, intertidal working area and landfall construction compound(s), and temporary and permanent access;

• Onshore infrastructure from the transition joint bays to the electricity transmission network connection. This includes onshore export cables to two new substations, temporary construction compounds, temporary and permanent access, and onward cable connections to the existing National Grid substation at Penwortham, Lancashire; and

• Areas for biodiversity net gain, enhancement and/ or mitigation, including permanent access for operation and maintenance of those areas.





This Targeted Statutory Consultation under section 42(1) of the Act, covering a number of minor onshore route amendments, is in addition to the statutory consultation undertaken between 28 October and 8 December (Scoping Report) and between 12 October and 23 November 2023 (Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR)).

Preliminary Environmental Information Report

Last year, between 12 October 2023 and 23 November 2023, the Project undertook a period of Statutory Consultation. This included the publishing of the following:

- PEIR, which sets out the current environmental baseline, assesses the potential environmental impacts to and from the Project, and proposes mitigations for potential likely significant effects;
- PEIR Non-Technical Summary, which summarised key points in the PEIR;
- Draft Development Consent Order;
- Draft Work Plans, and plans and maps showing the nature and location of the Project; and
- Statement of Community Consultation ("SoCC"), which sets out how the Project will consult local communities during the statutory consultation.

These documents, plus all other documents consulted upon during that time, can be accessed online via the Information Hub on the Project website at: <u>https://morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission/</u>. We have enclosed a hard copy of the PEIR Feedback Form (as previously published) for you to provide us with any comments you may have on those PEIR documents. Details on how to submit any feedback has been provided below.

Proposed Changes

This Targeted Statutory Consultation also relates to refinements to the design of the onshore Export Cable Corridor (ECC) that have been identified following consideration of responses to the Statutory Consultation on the PEIR and ongoing route refinement. These proposed changes are shown in the enclosed **Annex 2a: Overview Map Book** and **Annex 2b: Detailed Map Book**. Provided below is an overview of the proposed changes. **Annex 1a** provides the rationale and a summary of the potential environmental impacts associated with these amendments (detailed in the enclosed **Annex 3: EIA Assessment Table**).

The Project is proposing 41 minor amendments to the onshore route shown at PEIR. These are detailed in **Annex 1a** to this letter and comprises:

- 5 amendments to the onshore ECC route;
- 11 amendments to temporary access tracks;
- 23 amendments to the operational access routes; and
- 2 amendments to temporary construction compounds.

Please find enclosed a:

- Hard copy of the Overview Map Book (Annex 2a);
- Hard copy of the EIA Assessment Table (Annex 3);
- Hard copy of the PEIR consultation brochure (dated October 2023); and
- Hard copy of the PEIR feedback form.





These annexes, plus the **Annex 2b: Detailed Map Book**, can be accessed online via the Information Hub on the Project website at: <u>https://morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission/</u>. If you would like hard copies of any of the detailed maps in **Annex 2b**, these can be provided on request at no extra charge, using the contact details given below.

This Targeted Statutory Consultation is provided to those who have recently been identified as having an interest in the land and/or are potentially affected by the changes detailed above relating to the PEIR and subsequent minor onshore route amendments.

The Development Consent Order Application

The Morgan Offshore Wind Project and the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm are Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects under the Act, as they exceed the threshold for an offshore generating station of 100 megawatts. Following a request from the Project, on 4 October 2022 the Secretary of State issued a direction that the Transmission Assets should be treated as development for which development consent is required under the Act. Applications for development consent under the 2008 are submitted to and examined by the Planning Inspectorate and determined by the relevant Secretary of State. At the time of writing, this is the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero.

The Development Consent Order (DCO) application will include full details of the Project and will be accompanied by an Environmental Statement in accordance with the Act and the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. The requirements for applications to the Secretary of State for a DCO are set out in the Act, and subsequent guidance has been issued by the UK Government the Planning Inspectorate. The relevant information be found here: and can https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk.

The proposed DCO will include powers for the Morgan Offshore Wind Project Limited and Morecambe Offshore Windfarm Limited development to construct, operate and maintain two transmission systems, together with associated development. It will also grant deemed marine licences under Part 4 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 in connection with the two wind farms. The proposed DCO will seek the compulsory acquisition of land and rights over land, including the power to take temporary possession of land to construct and maintain the transmission systems.

The Project is currently in the pre-application phase, with a DCO application expected to be submitted in Q3 2024. Under the Act, the Project is required to carry out consultation on the proposed DCO application before submission and will have regard to the responses received in the final design, and in the assessment and mitigation of its environmental impacts. A Consultation Report explaining how Project has had regard to responses will be submitted as part of the DCO application.





Providing feedback and next steps

You have been identified as a consultee for this Project and we are also keen to hear your views on our PEIR and proposed amendments.

There are two ways to submit feedback:

- By email to info@morecambeandmorgan.com
- In writing by completing and returning both the enclosed hard copy PEIR feedback form and the form at Annex 1b to FREEPOST MORECAMBE AND MORGAN using the envelope provided. (please be advised it is not possible to send registered post to a freepost address)

As mentioned above, this consultation under section 42(d)(1) of the Act, is a formal part of the preapplication process for a DCO. Please note that comments and representations received will be reviewed and considered by the Project and any appointed agent of the Project. Copies of comments and representations will be made available in due course to the Secretary of State, the Planning Inspectorate, and other relevant statutory authorities as part of a Consultation Report to be submitted with the Application and will, therefore, be made publicly available.

Guidance on the pre-application process and the Act can be found on the Planning Inspectorate's website: http://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/legislation-and-advice/

If you have any questions regarding the process or content of this consultation, please do not hesitate to get in touch, by telephone on 0800 915 2493 (option 3), or by emailing <u>info@morecambeandmorgan.com</u>.

Kind regards,

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Annex 1a: Supporting information on the proposed minor onshore route amendments

The proposed amendments which are the subject of this Targeted Statutory Consultation are located entirely onshore (with these being minor amendments relating to the onshore ECC, temporary access tracks, temporary compounds and operational access routes).

The location of the 41 proposed amendments is presented in the **Overview Map Book (Annex 2a)** and **Detailed Map Book (Annex 2b)**. The rationale for the individual amendments is set out in **Table 2** and identified by the key presented in **Table 1**.

 Table 1 Key used to identify amendments in Table 2.

	Onshore Export Cable Corridor, where the amended cable route is located outside of
ECC	the PEIR Red Line Boundary
TAT	Temporary access track, where this is located outside of the PEIR Red Line Boundary
	Operational access routes, both pre- and post-construction, where these are located
OAR	outside of the PEIR Red Line Boundary
	Temporary construction compounds, where these are located outside of the PEIR Red
TCC	Line Boundary

 Table 2 Change ID and reason for the proposed minor onshore route amendments.

Change ID	Reason for change		
Operational Access	Operational Access Route (OAR)		
OAR.1.001	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities		
	for the onshore ECC off of Peel Road and onto Anna's Road.		
OAR.1.002	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities		
	for the onshore ECC off of Peel Road.		
OAR.1.003	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities		
	for the onshore ECC south off of Bryning Hall Farm.		
OAR.1.004A-C	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and		
	maintenance activities off of Huck Lane.		
OAR.1.005A-H	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities		
	for the onshore ECC west off of Brynning Lane.		
OAR.1.006	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities		
	for the onshore ECC off of Brynning Lane.		
OAR.1.007	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and		
	maintenance activities further south off of Brynning Lane and runs parallel to		
	Greenacres Caravan Park along the Public Right of Way (PRoW) (FP0503002).		
OAR.1.008	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and		
	maintenance activities north off of Hillock Lane and Nearer Hillock Farm.		
OAR.1.009	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and		
	maintenance activities north off of Hillock Lane and Nearer Hillock Farm.		
OAR.1.010	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and		
	maintenance activities off of Kirkham Road.		





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OAR.1.011	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and maintenance activities off of B5261 to the northeast of Blackpool Airport.
OAR.1.012	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
OAN. 1.012	for the onshore ECC off of Ballam Road.
OAR.1.013	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
	for the onshore ECC off of Saltcoates Road.
OAR.1.014A-D	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
	for the onshore ECC off of Hillock Lane, near to Nearer Hillock Farm along the PRoW (FP0503004).
OAR.1.015	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
0/11.1.010	for the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid off of Thames
	Street and along the PRoW (FP0509005).
OAR.1.016	
UAR. 1.016	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
	for the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid off of Lund Way and along the PRoW (BW0509012).
OAR.1.017	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
	for the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid off of Blackpool
	Road, A583.
OAR.1.018	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
0/11.1.010	for the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid off of Blackpool
	Road, A583 close to New Hall Farm.
OAR.1.019	Operational access added for routine maintenance activities for an area
UAR. 1.019	
0484000	providing mitigation, enhancement and or net gain off of Skip Lane.
OAR.1.020	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
	for the onshore ECC off of Ballam Road, north of Bridge Farm.
OAR.1.021	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities
	for the onshore ECC off of North Houses Lane.
OAR.1.022	Operational access added for routine maintenance activities for an area providing mitigation, enhancement and or net gain off of West Moss Lane.
OAR.1.023	Operational access added for routine maintenance activities for an area
	providing mitigation, enhancement and or net gain off of Rattan Lane.
Onshore Export Ca	able Corridor (ECC)
ECC.1.001	Onshore ECC re-routed and optionality included due to landowner feedback
	and presence of an ecological designation (priority habitat) to allow for further
	feedback and refinement.
ECC.1.002	Onshore ECC widened east of Peel Road to allow for the potentially complex
200.1.002	trenchless crossing of obstacles including the public highway and high pressure
	gas pipeline.
ECC.1.003	• • • •
ECC. 1.003	Onshore ECC widened east of Huck Lane to allow for the potentially complex
F00 4 00 4	trenchless crossing of obstacles including the public highway and railway line.
ECC.1.004	Onshore ECC moved north to provide further distance and reduce the potential impact on residential houses on Bryning Lane.
ECC.1.005	Onshore ECC moved north, north of Hillock Lane, to provide further distance
200.1.000	and reduce potential impact on the woodland.
Temporary Access	
TAT.1.001A-B	TAT widened at the junction of Cartmell Lane and Huck Lane to increase the
	visibility splay in order to improve safety.
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TAT.1.002	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay along Huck Lane		
	close to Woodside Farm to in order to improve safety.		
TAT.1.003A-B	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay close to the		
	junction of Bryning Lane and Wrea Brook in order to improve safety.		
TAT.1.004	TAT added with associated visibility splay along the B5410.		
TAT.1.005	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay close to the		
	junction of Hillock Lane and PRoW (FP0503004) in order to improve safety.		
TAT.1.006	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay along Kirkham		
	Road to improve safety.		
TAT.1.007	TAT added along the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid		
	off of Blackpool Road.		
TAT.1.008	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay just south of the		
	junction of Kirkham Road and The Chaltons in order to improve safety.		
TAT.1.009	TAT moved north along Saltcoates Road due to a reduction in the temporary		
	onshore ECC width and in addition to avoid residential gardens.		
TAT.1.010	Temporary access track along the Onshore ECC added off of Cartmell Lane in		
	order to provide access either side of Wrea Brook.		
TAT.1.011	TAT and visibility splay added along the A59 to serve access to 400kV grid		
	connection cable corridor to the national grid, in order to improve safety.		
Temporary Construct	Temporary Construction Compound (TCC)		
TCC.1.001	TCC extended along Bryning Lane to allow temporary access into the		
	compound.		
TCC.1.002	TCC has been added for Morecambe off of Hillock Lane to facilitate access for		
	the construction of the onshore ECC.		

The operational access routes have been designed and included along the onshore ECC and 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid, to enable access for routine operation and maintenance activities. For example, for the inspection of link boxes where corrective activities may be required. Further information regarding the operation and maintenance period can be found online via the Project's Information Hub https://morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission/ PEIR Volume 1, Chapter 3: Project Description.

The Project will be seeking to put in place voluntary agreements with affected landowners. However, the Project will also be applying for compulsory acquisition powers where agreements cannot be reached by negotiation. It should be noted that the Project will remove and reinstate all temporary construction accesses as previously proposed in the PEIR. Where the Project requires an operational access right over an existing track or public right of way, powers will be sought to secure ongoing rights of access, including rights to remove any obstructions, including the maintenance of existing vegetation to enable safe access and egress..

Please note that references to specific PRoWs cited in Table 2 can be found online via the Project's Information Hub <u>https://morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission/</u> PEIR Volume 3, Figures: 6.2 Public Rights of Way.

As detailed above, the Project is not proposing any amendments affecting the intertidal (i.e. the area between Mean Low Water Springs and Mean High Water Springs (MLWS)) or offshore areas (i.e. seawards of MLWS) of the PEIR red line boundary. Therefore, this Targeted Statutory Consultation only relates to the minor changes detailed in this letter and accompanying materials.





Environmental topic specialists have reviewed the potential for any new receptors to be affected by the proposed amendments, or for there to be any potential change to the impacts and/or effects presented in PEIR. Due to the minor nature of the proposed amendments, no new receptors or changes to the assessments presented at PEIR have been identified for the following topics:

- Socio-economics;
- Aviation and radar;
- Climate change; and
- Historic environment.

For the remaining topics areas, a review of the potential for changes related to the environment impact assessments presented at PEIR has been undertaken using the criteria set out in **Table 3** and presented in full within **Annex 3: EIA Assessment Table**. A summary of the findings of this process is set out in **Table 4**.

Grey	No change identified to the receptors or the relevant assessments presented at PEIR.
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	Text is provided in the cell to clarify this outcome where deemed useful.
Green	No new/additional receptors to be affected. The impact identified within the relevant
Cells	assessments presented at PEIR would be reduced.
	Text is provided in the cell to clarify this outcome where deemed useful.
Amber	Potential for new/additional receptors to be affected and/or a change to an impact or effect
Cells	assessed in the PEIR. The changes would not affect the conclusions in the PEIR.
	Text is provided in the cell to clarify this outcome where deemed useful.
Red Cells	Potential for new/additional receptors to be affected and/or an increase to an impact or effect
	assessed in the PEIR. The changes would be material and/or the conclusions of the
	assessment would be affected and give rise to additional significant effects.
	Text is provided in the cell to clarify this outcome.

Table 3 Key to environmental assessment presented in EIA Assessment Table.





 Table 4 Summary of environmental assessment of the proposed minor onshore route amendments.

Geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC, operational access routes or temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

One of the amendments in relation to temporary access tracks (TAT.1.007) would result in an increased area of works within one Source Protection Zone III (SPZ). However, no new receptors would be introduced as the 400 kV grid connection corridor search area was assessed within the SPZ III as part of the PEIR and the increased area would not change the conclusions of the PEIR. No changes to the receptors or potential new sources of contamination have been identified beyond those already identified in the PEIR. No changes to the assessments in the PEIR are therefore required and the conclusions remain valid.

Hydrology and flood risk

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC, temporary access tracks or temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

The amended operational access routes would result in infrequent vehicle movements closer to some watercourses along field margins that were previously further from any proposed activity. Such changes are considered minor and will not affect the assessment and conclusions set out in the PEIR.

Onshore ecology and nature conservation

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC or temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

Two of the minor changes relating to temporary access tracks (TAT.1.003B, TAT.1.010) would result in a greater length of the Wrea Brook being located within the area of works and additional hedgerows/ponds located in closer proximity. These receptor types and the species that they support were assessed within PEIR. Therefore, the changes are considered minor and will not affect the assessment set out in the PEIR and the conclusions remain valid.

The use of existing tracks or fields to provide operational access routes on an occasional basis would not affect the conclusions presented in the PEIR.

Onshore and intertidal ornithology

None of the minor amendments to the temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

One of the minor changes relating to the location of the onshore ECC route (ECC.1.001) and temporary access tracks (TAT.1.010) would result in an increased area of works in closer proximity to functionally linked land (an area which contains sensitive habitats which supports overwintering birds). One of the proposed operational access routes (OAR.1.001) is also located in this area. These were assessed in the PEIR. The study area that was applied at PEIR for ornithological features was 500m from the PEIR Red Line Boundary. Where the temporary access tracks and operational access routes have been amended, the study area is no longer 500 m at all locations. However, based on the available desktop information and survey data for consideration, no new or additional receptors are anticipated. The changes are considered minor and will not affect the assessment set out in the PEIR.





Land use and agriculture

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC or operational access routes would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

The minor amendments to temporary access tracks and temporary construction compounds present additional impacts to some landholdings, but not to a scale that would affect the conclusions presented in the PEIR.

Where the minor amendments (TAT.1.004) potentially impact on the main bridleway route along Huck Lane (PRoW BW0503012), the potential disruption was already assessed within the PEIR and would be managed through the Public Rights of Way (PRoW) Management Plan. As such, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Traffic and transport

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC, operational access routes or temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

Minor amendments (TAT.1.010, TAT.1.011) to introduce new temporary accesses onto the highway network present the potential to change traffic distribution locally in construction phase. However, the scale of this would not change the conclusions of the PEIR. The minor amendments will not result in any changes to the receptors identified and assessed within the PEIR and so the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Noise and vibration

None of the minor amendments to the temporary access tracks or operational access routes would result in any change to the identified receptors or any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

One of the amendments to the onshore ECC (ECC.1.001) would be closer to Great Carr Side Farm and Woodside Farm Huck Lane. However, this option would also be further away from Bryning Hall Farm to the north east. Another, minor amendment to the temporary construction compounds would result in additional receptors closer to the revised temporary construction compound location (TCC.1.002) (Olroy House, Nearer Hillock Farm and Further Hillock Farm). The minor amendments will not result in any changes to the assessment presented within the PEIR and the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Air quality

None of the minor amendments to the temporary access tracks, temporary construction compounds or operational access routes would result in any change to the identified receptors or any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

One of the amendments for the onshore ECC (ECC.1.001) would result in some construction activity in closer proximity to small number of residential receptors. However, this would not alter risk levels for dust assigned in accordance with Institute of Air Quality Management guidance. Therefore, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Seascape, landscape and visual resources

None of the minor amendments to the temporary construction compounds or operational access routes would result in any change to the identified receptors or any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

The amendment to the onshore ECC (ECC.1.001) would be located closer to visual receptors at Great Carr Side Farm and Woodside Farm Huck Lane, equestrians using bridleway at Huck Lane, and walkers using footpath linking Huck Lane and Great Carr Side Farm. This would result in higher levels of temporary visual impacts during construction for some specific receptors. The minor amendments to temporary access tracks (TAT.1.002, TAT.1.003A-B, TAT.1.005, TAT.1.006, TAT.1.010 & TAT.1.011) present potential loss of hedgerow, but also potential reduction in temporary visual impacts where





existing screening is unaffected. Despite the changed proximity of receptors, these are limited and the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Human health

No significant health effects were identified at PEIR. The minor amendments presented in **Table 2** would not result in any changes to the receptors identified and assessed within the PEIR and the conclusions of the PEIR would remain valid.

Conclusion

The environmental assessment of the proposed onshore route amendments has concluded that only minor changes to receptors remain within the assessments set out in the PEIR and the PEIR conclusions remain valid. No new receptors have been identified as a result of the changes being consulted upon that will require assessment above and beyond that set out in the PEIR.

A full assessment of all proposed changes taken forward into the DCO application will be presented in the Environmental Statement submitted by the Project in support of the final DCO application.





Annex 1b: Consultation questions on proposed minor onshore route amendments

Q1 - Do you have any comments / feedback on the proposed amendments shown in – **Annex 2a: Overview Map Book** and **Annex 2b: Detailed Map Book**? If so, please indicate which proposed change(s) you are commenting on using the change ID, e.g. ECC.1.001

Q2 - Do you have any comments / feedback on the potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed amendments shown in - Annex 1a: Supporting information on the proposed minor onshore route amendments and Annex 3: EIA Assessment Table?

Q3 - Do you have any other comments or feedback on the Project generally? (Please use next page if required)





(Please provide any additional feedback / comments on this page)







E1.11.3 External supplier technical issue: 23 February to 24 March 2024 – Section 47 email notification

Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets - Targeted Statutory Consultation: consultation launch notice pursuant to Section 47 of the Planning Act 2008 From: info@morecambeandmorgan.com Sent: Thu, Feb 22, 2024 at 3:48 pm

Sent: Thu, Feb 22, 2024 at 3:46

To:

🥬 N&M-TRANSMISSION-Brochure_pages.pdf (6.3 MB) 🔌 M&M-TRANSMISSION-Feedback-Form_pages.pdf (198.8 KB) 🥜 TransmissionAssets-548.pdf (202 KB) — Download all

Deal

We are writing to consult with you on the proposed application for the Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets ("the Project"). This Targeted Statutory Consultation for the Project is open from Friday 23 February 2024 and will close at 23:59 on Sunday 24 March 2024. You are being consulted on the Project in accordance with section 47 of the Planning Act 2008 ("the Act").

Morgan Offshore Wind Limited and Morecambe Offshore Windfarm Limited (the "Applicants"), are developing the Project, to connect the Morgan Offshore Wind Project ("Morgan") and the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm ("Morecambe") to the national grid.

Statutory consultation

The Project is currently in the pre-application stage of the DCO application process. As part of that process, the Project is required to carry out a statutory consultation before our application is submitted. A statutory phase of consultation was held between 12 October and 23 November 2023.

You may already be aware of this project, however it has come to our attention that you were not contacted as part of this statutory consultation due to a technical issue that we recently became aware of. We would therefore like to provide you with an opportunity to consider our proposals and provide your feedback. As such, the Project is consulting on its proposals between Friday 23 February and Sunday 24 March 2024.

The Applicants are collaborating to connect the proposed offshore wind farms to the national grid via the Project. The two offshore wind farms are expected to form a key contribution to the UK's target of generating 50 gigawatts (GW) of power from offshore wind by 2030. Combined they will generate approximately 2. GW of energy.

In October 2022, the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy issued a direction under Section 35 of the Act, that the Project should be treated as a development consent is required. As a result, an application for development consent will be prepared in accordance with the Act, that the Project should be treated as a development consent is required. As a result, an application for development consent of the Act, that the Project should be treated as a development consent is required. As a result, an application for development consent will be prepared in accordance with the Act, the Project is currently in the pre-application predication predication previous and determined by the relevant. Secretary of State At the Imm of writing, this is the Secretary of State for Emergy Security and Net Zero.

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About the Project

The Project will comprise both permanent and temporary infrastructure for the transmission of electricity from the Morgan and Morecambe, and connection into the existing National Grid substation at Penwortham, Lancashire including, but not limited to:

- Offshore infrastructure including offshore export cables.
- Landfall works (where the offshore cables reach the shore in the vicinity of Blackpool Airport) between Mean Low Water Springs and the transition joint bays including the offshore and onshore cables, intertidal working area and landfall construction compound(s), and temporary and permanent access;
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- · Areas for biodiversity net gain, enhancement and/ or mitigation, including permanent access for operation and maintenance of those areas.

Consultation materials

The Applicants have published the following consultation materials to support this consultation ("the consultation materials"). These documents are included as attachments to this email, and are also available on our website here:

- · Statutory Consultation Brochure, which outlines the Project's proposals, consultation activities and summarises the Preliminary Environmental Information Report;
- · Statutory Consultation Feedback Form, which provides a structured method for consultees to provide their feedback.

Other consultation information

The Applicants published several documents as a part of the original consultation, all of which can be accessed via our website https://morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission/. This includes:

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- · Consultation newsletter, a newsletter which summarised key information about the Project; and
- A copy of the notice published in accordance with section 48 of the Act and Regulation 13 of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. A copy of the section 48 notice is available here.

The consultation materials, PEIR and other consultation information can also be accessed via the Information Hub on the Project website at: https://morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission/informationhub/

Please note that the deposit locations mentioned in the section 48 notice, consultation brochure and Statement of Community Consultation (all as published in 2023) no longer hold hard copies of the consultation documents and the public events listed have also concluded. However, all previous consultation materials are available on the Project website. If you would like a paper copy of any document that has been published, please let us know, using the contact details given below. In accordance with the section 48 notice, a cost may be associated with larger requests to cover printing and postage. Alternatively, if you would like a USB containing the documents, please let us know (using the details provided below) and we will provide one free of charge.

Recognising that the public events listed within these materials have now concluded, we would be happy to organise a meeting with your organisation to further discuss our proposals and receive your feedback. Please let us know if this would be of interest.

This email and its contents form part of the consultation process required by the Act and we would like your feedback on our proposals and the PEIR. Your comments are important in helping us refine our proposals. The deadline for submitting responses to the consultation is 23:59 on Sunday 24 March 2024.

Taking part in this consultation

There are several ways to submit feedback:

- By email to info@morecambeandmorgan.com
- By returning the feedback form enclosed
- In writing to FREEPOST MORECAMBE AND MORGAN

(Please be advised it is not possible to send registered post to a freepost address.)

When providing your response, please include your name and contact details (a postal or email address) and confirm the nature of your interest in the Project.

Any comments and representations received will be reviewed and considered by the Applicants and any appointed agent(s) of the Applicants and representations will be made available in due course to the Secretary of State, the Planning Inspectorate, and other relevant statutory authorities as part of a Consultation Report to be submitted with the Application and will therefore be made publicly available.

If you have any questions about the Project, this consultation or information published, please email info@morecambeandmorgan.com or call 0800 915 2493 (option 3).

Kind regards,

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E1.11.4 Newly identified Persons with an Interest in the Land 3: 21 March to 18 April 2024 – Example letter sent to consultees





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Our reference: Targeted Statutory Consultation Section 42(1)(d) letter G3 DM Ref: 22003214_PartyID Date: 18 March 2024 T: 0800 915 2493 (option 3) E: info@morecambeandmorgan.com

Dear Salutation,

Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets - Preliminary Environmental Information Report and Subsequent Minor Onshore Route Amendments

Targeted Statutory Consultation under Section 42(1)(d) of the Planning Act 2008

We are writing to you as you have been identified as having an interest in the land ('affected persons') that falls within the proposed development area, related to this Targeted Statutory Consultation, for the Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets Project ('the Project'), or otherwise meet the criteria of Section 44 of the Planning Act 2008 ('the Act'). The identification of affected persons under Section 44 of the Act is an ongoing process that will be finalised prior to submission of the DCO application. This Targeted Statutory Consultation commences on **21 March 2024** and closes **23:59 on 18 April 2024**. Please see below for more information on how to view and comment on our proposed application.

The Project

The Project involves the construction of two transmission systems connecting the Morgan Offshore Wind Project ('Morgan') and the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm ('Morecambe') in the east Irish Sea to the national grid at Penwortham, Lancashire. It will comprise both permanent and temporary infrastructure including, but not limited to:

• Offshore infrastructure including offshore export cables;

• Landfall works (where the offshore cables reach the shore in the vicinity of Blackpool Airport) between Mean Low Water Springs and the transition joint bays including the offshore and onshore cables, intertidal working area and landfall construction compound(s), and temporary and permanent access;

• Onshore infrastructure from the transition joint bays to the electricity transmission network connection. This includes onshore export cables to two new substations, temporary construction compounds, temporary and permanent access, and onward cable connections to the existing National Grid substation at Penwortham, Lancashire; and

• Areas for biodiversity net gain, enhancement and/ or mitigation, including permanent access for operation and maintenance of those areas.





This Targeted Statutory Consultation under section 42(1) of the Act, covering a number of minor onshore route amendments, is in addition to the statutory consultation undertaken between 28 October and 8 December (Scoping Report) and between 12 October and 23 November 2023 (Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR)).

Preliminary Environmental Information Report

Last year, between 12 October 2023 and 23 November 2023, the Project undertook a period of Statutory Consultation. This included the publishing of the following:

- PEIR, which sets out the current environmental baseline, assesses the potential environmental impacts to and from the Project, and proposes mitigations for potential likely significant effects;
- PEIR Non-Technical Summary, which summarised key points in the PEIR;
- Draft Development Consent Order;
- Draft Work Plans, and plans and maps showing the nature and location of the Project; and
- Statement of Community Consultation ("SoCC"), which sets out how the Project will consult local communities during the statutory consultation.

These documents, plus all other documents consulted upon during that time, can be accessed online via the Information Hub on the Project website at: <u>https://morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission/</u>. We have enclosed a hard copy of the PEIR Feedback Form (as previously published) for you to provide us with any comments you may have on those PEIR documents. Details on how to submit any feedback has been provided below.

Proposed Changes

This Targeted Statutory Consultation also relates to refinements to the design of the onshore Export Cable Corridor (ECC) that have been identified following consideration of responses to the Statutory Consultation on the PEIR and ongoing route refinement. These proposed changes are shown in the enclosed **Annex 2a: Overview Map Book** and **Annex 2b: Detailed Map Book**. Provided below is an overview of the proposed changes. **Annex 1a** provides the rationale and a summary of the potential environmental impacts associated with these amendments (detailed in the enclosed **Annex 3: EIA Assessment Table**).

The Project is proposing 41 minor amendments to the onshore route shown at PEIR. These are detailed in **Annex 1a** to this letter and comprises:

- 5 amendments to the onshore ECC route;
- 11 amendments to temporary access tracks;
- 23 amendments to the operational access routes; and
- 2 amendments to temporary construction compounds.

Please find enclosed a:

- Hard copy of the Overview Map Book (Annex 2a);
- Hard copy of the EIA Assessment Table (Annex 3);
- Hard copy of the PEIR consultation brochure (dated October 2023); and
- Hard copy of the PEIR feedback form.





These annexes, plus the **Annex 2b: Detailed Map Book**, can be accessed online via the Information Hub on the Project website at: <u>https://morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission/</u>. If you would like hard copies of any of the detailed maps in **Annex 2b**, these can be provided on request at no extra charge, using the contact details given below.

This Targeted Statutory Consultation is provided to those who have recently been identified as having an interest in the land and/or are potentially affected by the changes detailed above relating to the PEIR and subsequent minor onshore route amendments.

The Development Consent Order Application

The Morgan Offshore Wind Project and the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm are Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects under the Act, as they exceed the threshold for an offshore generating station of 100 megawatts. Following a request from the Project, on 4 October 2022 the Secretary of State issued a direction that the Transmission Assets should be treated as development for which development consent is required under the Act. Applications for development consent under the 2008 are submitted to and examined by the Planning Inspectorate and determined by the relevant Secretary of State. At the time of writing, this is the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero.

The Development Consent Order (DCO) application will include full details of the Project and will be accompanied by an Environmental Statement in accordance with the Act and the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. The requirements for applications to the Secretary of State for a DCO are set out in the Act, and subsequent guidance has been issued by the UK Government the Planning Inspectorate. The relevant information be found here: and can https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk.

The proposed DCO will include powers for the Morgan Offshore Wind Project Limited and Morecambe Offshore Windfarm Limited development to construct, operate and maintain two transmission systems, together with associated development. It will also grant deemed marine licences under Part 4 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 in connection with the two wind farms. The proposed DCO will seek the compulsory acquisition of land and rights over land, including the power to take temporary possession of land to construct and maintain the transmission systems.

The Project is currently in the pre-application phase, with a DCO application expected to be submitted in Q3 2024. Under the Act, the Project is required to carry out consultation on the proposed DCO application before submission and will have regard to the responses received in the final design, and in the assessment and mitigation of its environmental impacts. A Consultation Report explaining how Project has had regard to responses will be submitted as part of the DCO application.





Providing feedback and next steps

You have been identified as a consultee for this Project and we are also keen to hear your views on our PEIR and proposed amendments.

There are two ways to submit feedback:

- By email to info@morecambeandmorgan.com
- In writing by completing and returning both the enclosed hard copy PEIR feedback form and the form at Annex 1b to FREEPOST MORECAMBE AND MORGAN using the envelope provided. (please be advised it is not possible to send registered post to a freepost address)

As mentioned above, this consultation under section 42(d)(1) of the Act, is a formal part of the preapplication process for a DCO. Please note that comments and representations received will be reviewed and considered by the Project and any appointed agent of the Project. Copies of comments and representations will be made available in due course to the Secretary of State, the Planning Inspectorate, and other relevant statutory authorities as part of a Consultation Report to be submitted with the Application and will, therefore, be made publicly available.

Guidance on the pre-application process and the Act can be found on the Planning Inspectorate's website: <u>http://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/legislation-and-advice/</u>

If you have any questions regarding the process or content of this consultation, please do not hesitate to get in touch, by telephone on 0800 915 2493 (option 3), or by emailing <u>info@morecambeandmorgan.com</u>.

Kind regards,



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Annex 1a: Supporting information on the proposed minor onshore route amendments

The proposed amendments which are the subject of this Targeted Statutory Consultation are located entirely onshore (with these being minor amendments relating to the onshore ECC, temporary access tracks, temporary compounds and operational access routes).

The location of the 41 proposed amendments is presented in the **Overview Map Book (Annex 2a)** and **Detailed Map Book (Annex 2b)**. The rationale for the individual amendments is set out in **Table 2** and identified by the key presented in **Table 1**.

	Onshore Export Cable Corridor, where the amended cable route is located outside of
ECC	the PEIR Red Line Boundary
TAT	Temporary access track, where this is located outside of the PEIR Red Line Boundary
	Operational access routes, both pre- and post-construction, where these are located
OAR	outside of the PEIR Red Line Boundary
	Temporary construction compounds, where these are located outside of the PEIR Red
TCC	Line Boundary

 Table 1 Key used to identify amendments in Table 2.

Table 2 Change ID and reason for the proposed minor onshore route amendments.

Change ID	Reason for change		
Operational Access	Operational Access Route (OAR)		
OAR.1.001	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities		
	for the onshore ECC off of Peel Road and onto Anna's Road.		
OAR.1.002	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities		
	for the onshore ECC off of Peel Road.		
OAR.1.003	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities		
	for the onshore ECC south off of Bryning Hall Farm.		
OAR.1.004A-C	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and		
	maintenance activities off of Huck Lane.		
OAR.1.005A-H	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities		
	for the onshore ECC west off of Brynning Lane.		
OAR.1.006	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities		
	for the onshore ECC off of Brynning Lane.		
OAR.1.007	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and		
	maintenance activities further south off of Brynning Lane and runs parallel to		
	Greenacres Caravan Park along the Public Right of Way (PRoW) (FP0503002).		
OAR.1.008	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and		
	maintenance activities north off of Hillock Lane and Nearer Hillock Farm.		
OAR.1.009	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and		
	maintenance activities north off of Hillock Lane and Nearer Hillock Farm.		
OAR.1.010	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and		
	maintenance activities off of Kirkham Road.		
OAR.1.011	Operational access added for the onshore ECC for routine operational and		
	maintenance activities off of B5261 to the northeast of Blackpool Airport.		





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OAR.1.012	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities for the onshore ECC off of Ballam Road.		
OAR.1.013	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities for the onshore ECC off of Saltcoates Road.		
OAR.1.014A-D	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities for the onshore ECC off of Hillock Lane, near to Nearer Hillock Farm along the PRoW (FP0503004).		
OAR.1.015	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities for the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid off of Thames Street and along the PRoW (FP0509005).		
OAR.1.016	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities for the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid off of Lund Way and along the PRoW (BW0509012).		
OAR.1.017	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities for the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid off of Blackpool Road, A583.		
OAR.1.018	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities for the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid off of Blackpool Road, A583 close to New Hall Farm.		
OAR.1.019	Operational access added for routine maintenance activities for an area providing mitigation, enhancement and or net gain off of Skip Lane.		
OAR.1.020	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities for the onshore ECC off of Ballam Road, north of Bridge Farm.		
OAR.1.021	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities for the onshore ECC off of North Houses Lane.		
OAR.1.022	Operational access added for routine maintenance activities for an area providing mitigation, enhancement and or net gain off of West Moss Lane.		
OAR.1.023	Operational access added for routine maintenance activities for an area providing mitigation, enhancement and or net gain off of Rattan Lane.		
Onshore Export Cable	e Corridor (ECC)		
ECC.1.001	Onshore ECC re-routed and optionality included due to landowner feedback and presence of an ecological designation (priority habitat) to allow for further feedback and refinement.		
ECC.1.002	Onshore ECC widened east of Peel Road to allow for the potentially complex trenchless crossing of obstacles including the public highway and high pressure gas pipeline.		
ECC.1.003	Onshore ECC widened east of Huck Lane to allow for the potentially complex trenchless crossing of obstacles including the public highway and railway line.		
ECC.1.004	Onshore ECC moved north to provide further distance and reduce the potential impact on residential houses on Bryning Lane.		
ECC.1.005	Onshore ECC moved north, north of Hillock Lane, to provide further distance and reduce potential impact on the woodland.		
Temporary Access Tra	ack (TAT)		
ТАТ.1.001А-В	TAT widened at the junction of Cartmell Lane and Huck Lane to increase the visibility splay in order to improve safety.		





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TAT.1.003A-B	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay close to the	
	junction of Bryning Lane and Wrea Brook in order to improve safety.	
TAT.1.004	TAT added with associated visibility splay along the B5410.	
TAT.1.005	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay close to the	
	junction of Hillock Lane and PRoW (FP0503004) in order to improve safety.	
TAT.1.006	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay along Kirkham	
	Road to improve safety.	
TAT.1.007	TAT added along the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid	
	off of Blackpool Road.	
TAT.1.008	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay just south of the	
	junction of Kirkham Road and The Chaltons in order to improve safety.	
TAT.1.009	TAT moved north along Saltcoates Road due to a reduction in the temporary	
	onshore ECC width and in addition to avoid residential gardens.	
TAT.1.010	Temporary access track along the Onshore ECC added off of Cartmell Lane in	
	order to provide access either side of Wrea Brook.	
TAT.1.011	TAT and visibility splay added along the A59 to serve access to 400kV grid	
	connection cable corridor to the national grid, in order to improve safety.	
Temporary Construction Compound (TCC)		
TCC.1.001	TCC extended along Bryning Lane to allow temporary access into the	
	compound.	
TCC.1.002	TCC has been added for Morecambe off of Hillock Lane to facilitate access for	
	the construction of the onshore ECC.	

The operational access routes have been designed and included along the onshore ECC and 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid, to enable access for routine operation and maintenance activities. For example, for the inspection of link boxes where corrective activities may be required. Further information regarding the operation and maintenance period can be found online via the Project's Information Hub https://morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission/ PEIR Volume 1, Chapter 3: Project Description.

The Project will be seeking to put in place voluntary agreements with affected landowners. However, the Project will also be applying for compulsory acquisition powers where agreements cannot be reached by negotiation. It should be noted that the Project will remove and reinstate all temporary construction accesses as previously proposed in the PEIR. Where the Project requires an operational access right over an existing track or public right of way, powers will be sought to secure ongoing rights of access, including rights to remove any obstructions, including the maintenance of existing vegetation to enable safe access and egress..

Please note that references to specific PRoWs cited in Table 2 can be found online via the Project's Information Hub <u>https://morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission/</u> PEIR Volume 3, Figures: 6.2 Public Rights of Way.

As detailed above, the Project is not proposing any amendments affecting the intertidal (i.e. the area between Mean Low Water Springs and Mean High Water Springs (MLWS)) or offshore areas (i.e. seawards of MLWS) of the PEIR red line boundary. Therefore, this Targeted Statutory Consultation only relates to the minor changes detailed in this letter and accompanying materials.





Environmental topic specialists have reviewed the potential for any new receptors to be affected by the proposed amendments, or for there to be any potential change to the impacts and/or effects presented in PEIR. Due to the minor nature of the proposed amendments, no new receptors or changes to the assessments presented at PEIR have been identified for the following topics:

- Socio-economics;
- Aviation and radar;
- Climate change; and
- Historic environment.

For the remaining topics areas, a review of the potential for changes related to the environment impact assessments presented at PEIR has been undertaken using the criteria set out in **Table 3** and presented in full within **Annex 3: EIA Assessment Table**. A summary of the findings of this process is set out in **Table 4**.

Grey	No change identified to the receptors or the relevant assessments presented at PEIR.
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Green	No new/additional receptors to be affected. The impact identified within the relevant
Cells	assessments presented at PEIR would be reduced.
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Amber	Potential for new/additional receptors to be affected and/or a change to an impact or effect
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	assessed in the PEIR. The changes would be material and/or the conclusions of the
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 Table 3 Key to environmental assessment presented in EIA Assessment Table.





 Table 4 Summary of environmental assessment of the proposed minor onshore route amendments.

Geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC, operational access routes or temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

One of the amendments in relation to temporary access tracks (TAT.1.007) would result in an increased area of works within one Source Protection Zone III (SPZ). However, no new receptors would be introduced as the 400 kV grid connection corridor search area was assessed within the SPZ III as part of the PEIR and the increased area would not change the conclusions of the PEIR. No changes to the receptors or potential new sources of contamination have been identified beyond those already identified in the PEIR. No changes to the assessments in the PEIR are therefore required and the conclusions remain valid.

Hydrology and flood risk

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC, temporary access tracks or temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

The amended operational access routes would result in infrequent vehicle movements closer to some watercourses along field margins that were previously further from any proposed activity. Such changes are considered minor and will not affect the assessment and conclusions set out in the PEIR.

Onshore ecology and nature conservation

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC or temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

Two of the minor changes relating to temporary access tracks (TAT.1.003B, TAT.1.010) would result in a greater length of the Wrea Brook being located within the area of works and additional hedgerows/ponds located in closer proximity. These receptor types and the species that they support were assessed within PEIR. Therefore, the changes are considered minor and will not affect the assessment set out in the PEIR and the conclusions remain valid.

The use of existing tracks or fields to provide operational access routes on an occasional basis would not affect the conclusions presented in the PEIR.

Onshore and intertidal ornithology

None of the minor amendments to the temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

One of the minor changes relating to the location of the onshore ECC route (ECC.1.001) and temporary access tracks (TAT.1.010) would result in an increased area of works in closer proximity to functionally linked land (an area which contains sensitive habitats which supports overwintering birds). One of the proposed operational access routes (OAR.1.001) is also located in this area. These were assessed in the PEIR. The study area that was applied at PEIR for ornithological features was 500m from the PEIR Red Line Boundary. Where the temporary access tracks and operational access routes have been amended, the study area is no longer 500 m at all locations. However, based on the available desktop information and survey data for consideration, no new or additional receptors are anticipated. The changes are considered minor and will not affect the assessment set out in the PEIR.





Land use and agriculture

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC or operational access routes would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

The minor amendments to temporary access tracks and temporary construction compounds present additional impacts to some landholdings, but not to a scale that would affect the conclusions presented in the PEIR.

Where the minor amendments (TAT.1.004) potentially impact on the main bridleway route along Huck Lane (PRoW BW0503012), the potential disruption was already assessed within the PEIR and would be managed through the Public Rights of Way (PRoW) Management Plan. As such, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Traffic and transport

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC, operational access routes or temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

Minor amendments (TAT.1.010, TAT.1.011) to introduce new temporary accesses onto the highway network present the potential to change traffic distribution locally in construction phase. However, the scale of this would not change the conclusions of the PEIR. The minor amendments will not result in any changes to the receptors identified and assessed within the PEIR and so the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Noise and vibration

None of the minor amendments to the temporary access tracks or operational access routes would result in any change to the identified receptors or any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

One of the amendments to the onshore ECC (ECC.1.001) would be closer to Great Carr Side Farm and Woodside Farm Huck Lane. However, this option would also be further away from Bryning Hall Farm to the north east. Another, minor amendment to the temporary construction compounds would result in additional receptors closer to the revised temporary construction compound location (TCC.1.002) (Olroy House, Nearer Hillock Farm and Further Hillock Farm). The minor amendments will not result in any changes to the assessment presented within the PEIR and the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Air quality

None of the minor amendments to the temporary access tracks, temporary construction compounds or operational access routes would result in any change to the identified receptors or any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

One of the amendments for the onshore ECC (ECC.1.001) would result in some construction activity in closer proximity to small number of residential receptors. However, this would not alter risk levels for dust assigned in accordance with Institute of Air Quality Management guidance. Therefore, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Seascape, landscape and visual resources

None of the minor amendments to the temporary construction compounds or operational access routes would result in any change to the identified receptors or any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

The amendment to the onshore ECC (ECC.1.001) would be located closer to visual receptors at Great Carr Side Farm and Woodside Farm Huck Lane, equestrians using bridleway at Huck Lane, and walkers using footpath linking Huck Lane and Great Carr Side Farm. This would result in higher levels of temporary visual impacts during construction for some specific receptors. The minor amendments to temporary access tracks (TAT.1.002, TAT.1.003A-B, TAT.1.005, TAT.1.006, TAT.1.010 & TAT.1.011) present potential loss of hedgerow, but also potential reduction in temporary visual impacts where





existing screening is unaffected. Despite the changed proximity of receptors, these are limited and the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Human health

No significant health effects were identified at PEIR. The minor amendments presented in **Table 2** would not result in any changes to the receptors identified and assessed within the PEIR and the conclusions of the PEIR would remain valid.

Conclusion

The environmental assessment of the proposed onshore route amendments has concluded that only minor changes to receptors remain within the assessments set out in the PEIR and the PEIR conclusions remain valid. No new receptors have been identified as a result of the changes being consulted upon that will require assessment above and beyond that set out in the PEIR.

A full assessment of all proposed changes taken forward into the DCO application will be presented in the Environmental Statement submitted by the Project in support of the final DCO application.





Annex 1b: Consultation questions on proposed minor onshore route amendments

Q1 - Do you have any comments / feedback on the proposed amendments shown in – **Annex 2a: Overview Map Book** and **Annex 2b: Detailed Map Book**? If so, please indicate which proposed change(s) you are commenting on using the change ID, e.g. ECC.1.001

Q2 - Do you have any comments / feedback on the potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed amendments shown in - Annex 1a: Supporting information on the proposed minor onshore route amendments and Annex 3: EIA Assessment Table?

Q3 - Do you have any other comments or feedback on the Project generally? (Please use next page if required)





(Please provide any additional feedback / comments on this page)







E1.11.5 Newly identified Persons with an Interest in the Land 4: 5 August to 4 September 2024 – Example letter sent to consultees





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Our reference: Statutory Consultation Section 42(1)(d) letter G3 DM Ref: 22003214_«PartyID» Date: 01 August 2024 T: 0800 915 2493 (option 3) E: info@morecambeandmorgan.com

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ECC	the PEIR Red Line Boundary
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	Operational access routes, both pre- and post-construction, where these are located
OAR	outside of the PEIR Red Line Boundary
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TCC	Line Boundary

Table 1 Key used to identify amendments in Table 2.

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	for the onshore ECC off of Peel Road.
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	for the onshore ECC south off of Bryning Hall Farm.
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OAR.1.019	Operational access added for routine maintenance activities for an area providing mitigation, enhancement and or net gain off of Skip Lane.
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OAR.1.021	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities for the onshore ECC off of North Houses Lane.
OAR.1.022	Operational access added for routine maintenance activities for an area providing mitigation, enhancement and or net gain off of West Moss Lane.
OAR.1.023	Operational access added for routine maintenance activities for an area providing mitigation, enhancement and or net gain off of Rattan Lane.
Onshore Export Ca	ible Corridor (ECC)
ECC.1.001	Onshore ECC re-routed and optionality included due to landowner feedback and presence of an ecological designation (priority habitat) to allow for further feedback and refinement.
ECC.1.002	Onshore ECC widened east of Peel Road to allow for the potentially complex trenchless crossing of obstacles including the public highway and high pressure gas pipeline.
ECC.1.003	Onshore ECC widened east of Huck Lane to allow for the potentially complex trenchless crossing of obstacles including the public highway and railway line.
ECC.1.004	Onshore ECC moved north to provide further distance and reduce the potential impact on residential houses on Bryning Lane.
ECC.1.005	Onshore ECC moved north, north of Hillock Lane, to provide further distance and reduce potential impact on the woodland.
Temporary Access	Track (TAT)
TAT.1.001A-B	TAT widened at the junction of Cartmell Lane and Huck Lane to increase the visibility splay in order to improve safety.
TAT.1.002	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay along Huck Lane close to Woodside Farm to in order to improve safety.





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TAT.1.003A-B	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay close to the	
	junction of Bryning Lane and Wrea Brook in order to improve safety.	
TAT.1.004	TAT added with associated visibility splay along the B5410.	
TAT.1.005	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay close to the	
	junction of Hillock Lane and PRoW (FP0503004) in order to improve safety.	
TAT.1.006	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay along Kirkham	
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TAT.1.007	TAT added along the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid	
	off of Blackpool Road.	
TAT.1.008	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay just south of the	
	junction of Kirkham Road and The Chaltons in order to improve safety.	
TAT.1.009	TAT moved north along Saltcoates Road due to a reduction in the temporary	
	onshore ECC width and in addition to avoid residential gardens.	
TAT.1.010	Temporary access track along the Onshore ECC added off of Cartmell Lane in	
	order to provide access either side of Wrea Brook.	
TAT.1.011	TAT and visibility splay added along the A59 to serve access to 400kV grid	
	connection cable corridor to the national grid, in order to improve safety.	
Temporary Constr	Temporary Construction Compound (TCC)	
TCC.1.001	TCC extended along Bryning Lane to allow temporary access into the	
	compound.	
TCC.1.002	TCC has been added for Morecambe off of Hillock Lane to facilitate access for	
	the construction of the onshore ECC.	

The operational access routes have been designed and included along the onshore ECC and 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid, to enable access for routine operation and maintenance activities. For example, for the inspection of link boxes where corrective activities may be required. Further information regarding the operation and maintenance period can be found online via the Project's Information Hub https://morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission/ PEIR Volume 1, Chapter 3: Project Description.

The Project will be seeking to put in place voluntary agreements with affected landowners. However, the Project will also be applying for compulsory acquisition powers where agreements cannot be reached by negotiation. It should be noted that the Project will remove and reinstate all temporary construction accesses as previously proposed in the PEIR. Where the Project requires an operational access right over an existing track or public right of way, powers will be sought to secure ongoing rights of access, including rights to remove any obstructions, including the maintenance of existing vegetation to enable safe access and egress.

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As detailed above, the Project is not proposing any amendments affecting the intertidal (i.e. the area between Mean Low Water Springs and Mean High Water Springs (MLWS)) or offshore areas (i.e. seawards of MLWS) of the PEIR red line boundary. Therefore, this Statutory Consultation includes the minor changes detailed in this letter and accompanying materials.





Environmental topic specialists have reviewed the potential for any new receptors to be affected by the proposed amendments, or for there to be any potential change to the impacts and/or effects presented in PEIR. Due to the minor nature of the proposed amendments, no new receptors or changes to the assessments presented at PEIR have been identified for the following topics:

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Table 3 Key to environmental assessment presented in EIA Assessment Table.





Table 4 Summary of environmental assessment of the proposed minor onshore route amendments.

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The Project will be seeking to put in place voluntary agreements with affected landowners. However, the Project will also be applying for compulsory acquisition powers where agreements cannot be reached by negotiation. It should be noted that the Project will remove and reinstate all temporary construction accesses as previously proposed in the PEIR. Where the Project requires an operational access right over an existing track or public right of way, powers will be sought to secure ongoing rights of access, including rights to remove any obstructions, including the maintenance of existing vegetation to enable safe access and egress.

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As detailed above, the Project is not proposing any amendments affecting the intertidal (i.e. the area between Mean Low Water Springs and Mean High Water Springs (MLWS)) or offshore areas (i.e. seawards of MLWS) of the PEIR red line boundary. Therefore, this Statutory Consultation includes the minor changes detailed in this letter and accompanying materials.





Environmental topic specialists have reviewed the potential for any new receptors to be affected by the proposed amendments, or for there to be any potential change to the impacts and/or effects presented in PEIR. Due to the minor nature of the proposed amendments, no new receptors or changes to the assessments presented at PEIR have been identified for the following topics:

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- Aviation and radar;
- Climate change; and
- Historic environment.

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Table 3 Key to environmental assessment presented in EIA Assessment Table.





Table 4 Summary of environmental assessment of the proposed minor onshore route amendments.

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The amended operational access routes would result in infrequent vehicle movements closer to some watercourses along field margins that were previously further from any proposed activity. Such changes are considered minor and will not affect the assessment and conclusions set out in the PEIR.

Onshore ecology and nature conservation

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC or temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

Two of the minor changes relating to temporary access tracks (TAT.1.003B, TAT.1.010) would result in a greater length of the Wrea Brook being located within the area of works and additional hedgerows/ponds located in closer proximity. These receptor types and the species that they support were assessed within PEIR. Therefore, the changes are considered minor and will not affect the assessment set out in the PEIR and the conclusions remain valid.

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Onshore and intertidal ornithology

None of the minor amendments to the temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

One of the minor changes relating to the location of the onshore ECC route (ECC.1.001) and temporary access tracks (TAT.1.010) would result in an increased area of works in closer proximity to functionally linked land (an area which contains sensitive habitats which supports overwintering birds). One of the proposed operational access routes (OAR.1.001) is also located in this area. These were assessed in the PEIR. The study area that was applied at PEIR for ornithological features was 500m from the PEIR Red Line Boundary. Where the temporary access tracks and operational access routes have been amended, the study area is no longer 500 m at all locations. However, based on the available desktop information and survey data for consideration, no new or additional receptors are anticipated. The changes are considered minor and will not affect the assessment set out in the PEIR.





Land use and agriculture

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC or operational access routes would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

The minor amendments to temporary access tracks and temporary construction compounds present additional impacts to some landholdings, but not to a scale that would affect the conclusions presented in the PEIR.

Where the minor amendments (TAT.1.004) potentially impact on the main bridleway route along Huck Lane (PRoW BW0503012), the potential disruption was already assessed within the PEIR and would be managed through the Public Rights of Way (PRoW) Management Plan. As such, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Traffic and transport

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC, operational access routes or temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

Minor amendments (TAT.1.010, TAT.1.011) to introduce new temporary accesses onto the highway network present the potential to change traffic distribution locally in construction phase. However, the scale of this would not change the conclusions of the PEIR. The minor amendments will not result in any changes to the receptors identified and assessed within the PEIR and so the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Noise and vibration

None of the minor amendments to the temporary access tracks or operational access routes would result in any change to the identified receptors or any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

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Seascape, landscape and visual resources

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Human health

No significant health effects were identified at PEIR. The minor amendments presented in **Table 2** would not result in any changes to the receptors identified and assessed within the PEIR and the conclusions of the PEIR would remain valid.

Conclusion

The environmental assessment of the proposed onshore route amendments has concluded that only minor changes to receptors remain within the assessments set out in the PEIR and the PEIR conclusions remain valid. No new receptors have been identified as a result of the changes being consulted upon that will require assessment above and beyond that set out in the PEIR.

A full assessment of all proposed changes taken forward into the DCO application will be presented in the Environmental Statement submitted by the Project in support of the final DCO application.





Annex 1b: Consultation questions on proposed minor onshore route amendments

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Q3 - Do you have any other comments or feedback on the Project generally? (Please use next page if required)





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Dear Sirs

Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets - Preliminary Environmental Information Report and Subsequent Minor Onshore Route Amendments

Statutory Consultation under Section 42(1)(d) of the Planning Act 2008

We are writing to you as you have been identified as having an interest in the land ('affected persons') that falls within the proposed development area, related to this Statutory Consultation, for the Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms: Transmission Assets Project ('the Project'), or otherwise meet the criteria of Section 44 of the Planning Act 2008 ('the Act'). The identification of affected persons under Section 44 of the Act is an ongoing process that will be finalised prior to submission of the DCO application. This Statutory Consultation commences on **14 September 2024** and closes **23:59 on 12 October 2024**. Please see below for more information on how to view and comment on our proposed application.

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The Project involves the construction of two transmission systems connecting the Morgan Offshore Wind Project ('Morgan') and the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm ('Morecambe') in the east Irish Sea to the national grid at Penwortham, Lancashire. It will comprise both permanent and temporary infrastructure including, but not limited to:

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- 2 amendments to temporary construction compounds.

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OAR.1.018	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities for the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid off of Blackpool Road, A583 close to New Hall Farm.
OAR.1.019	Operational access added for routine maintenance activities for an area providing mitigation, enhancement and or net gain off of Skip Lane.
OAR.1.020	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities for the onshore ECC off of Ballam Road, north of Bridge Farm.
OAR.1.021	Operational access included for routine operational and maintenance activities for the onshore ECC off of North Houses Lane.
OAR.1.022	Operational access added for routine maintenance activities for an area providing mitigation, enhancement and or net gain off of West Moss Lane.
OAR.1.023	Operational access added for routine maintenance activities for an area providing mitigation, enhancement and or net gain off of Rattan Lane.
Onshore Export Ca	ible Corridor (ECC)
ECC.1.001	Onshore ECC re-routed and optionality included due to landowner feedback and presence of an ecological designation (priority habitat) to allow for further feedback and refinement.
ECC.1.002	Onshore ECC widened east of Peel Road to allow for the potentially complex trenchless crossing of obstacles including the public highway and high pressure gas pipeline.
ECC.1.003	Onshore ECC widened east of Huck Lane to allow for the potentially complex trenchless crossing of obstacles including the public highway and railway line.
ECC.1.004	Onshore ECC moved north to provide further distance and reduce the potential impact on residential houses on Bryning Lane.
ECC.1.005	Onshore ECC moved north, north of Hillock Lane, to provide further distance and reduce potential impact on the woodland.
Temporary Access	Track (TAT)
TAT.1.001A-B	TAT widened at the junction of Cartmell Lane and Huck Lane to increase the visibility splay in order to improve safety.
TAT.1.002	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay along Huck Lane close to Woodside Farm to in order to improve safety.





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TAT.1.003A-B	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay close to the
	junction of Bryning Lane and Wrea Brook in order to improve safety.
TAT.1.004	TAT added with associated visibility splay along the B5410.
TAT.1.005	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay close to the
	junction of Hillock Lane and PRoW (FP0503004) in order to improve safety.
TAT.1.006	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay along Kirkham
	Road to improve safety.
TAT.1.007	TAT added along the 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid
	off of Blackpool Road.
TAT.1.008	TAT widened to incorporate an increase in the visibility splay just south of the
	junction of Kirkham Road and The Chaltons in order to improve safety.
TAT.1.009	TAT moved north along Saltcoates Road due to a reduction in the temporary
	onshore ECC width and in addition to avoid residential gardens.
TAT.1.010	Temporary access track along the Onshore ECC added off of Cartmell Lane in
	order to provide access either side of Wrea Brook.
TAT.1.011	TAT and visibility splay added along the A59 to serve access to 400kV grid
	connection cable corridor to the national grid, in order to improve safety.
Temporary Constr	ruction Compound (TCC)
TCC.1.001	TCC extended along Bryning Lane to allow temporary access into the
	compound.
TCC.1.002	TCC has been added for Morecambe off of Hillock Lane to facilitate access for
	the construction of the onshore ECC.

The operational access routes have been designed and included along the onshore ECC and 400kV grid connection cable corridor to the national grid, to enable access for routine operation and maintenance activities. For example, for the inspection of link boxes where corrective activities may be required. Further information regarding the operation and maintenance period can be found online via the Project's Information Hub https://morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission/ PEIR Volume 1, Chapter 3: Project Description.

The Project will be seeking to put in place voluntary agreements with affected landowners. However, the Project will also be applying for compulsory acquisition powers where agreements cannot be reached by negotiation. It should be noted that the Project will remove and reinstate all temporary construction accesses as previously proposed in the PEIR. Where the Project requires an operational access right over an existing track or public right of way, powers will be sought to secure ongoing rights of access, including rights to remove any obstructions, including the maintenance of existing vegetation to enable safe access and egress.

Please note that references to specific PRoWs cited in Table 2 can be found online via the Project's Information Hub <u>https://morecambeandmorgan.com/transmission/</u> PEIR Volume 3, Figures: 6.2 Public Rights of Way.

As detailed above, the Project is not proposing any amendments affecting the intertidal (i.e. the area between Mean Low Water Springs and Mean High Water Springs (MLWS)) or offshore areas (i.e. seawards of MLWS) of the PEIR red line boundary. Therefore, this Statutory Consultation includes the minor changes detailed in this letter and accompanying materials.





Environmental topic specialists have reviewed the potential for any new receptors to be affected by the proposed amendments, or for there to be any potential change to the impacts and/or effects presented in PEIR. Due to the minor nature of the proposed amendments, no new receptors or changes to the assessments presented at PEIR have been identified for the following topics:

- Socio-economics;
- Aviation and radar;
- Climate change; and
- Historic environment.

For the remaining topics areas, a review of the potential for changes related to the environment impact assessments presented at PEIR has been undertaken using the criteria set out in **Table 3** and presented in full within **Annex 3: EIA Assessment Table**. A summary of the findings of this process is set out in **Table 4**.

Grey Cells	No change identified to the receptors or the relevant assessments presented at PEIR.
	Text is provided in the cell to clarify this outcome where deemed useful.
Green	No new/additional receptors to be affected. The impact identified within the relevant
Cells	assessments presented at PEIR would be reduced.
	Text is provided in the cell to clarify this outcome where deemed useful.
Amber	Potential for new/additional receptors to be affected and/or a change to an impact or effect
Cells	assessed in the PEIR. The changes would not affect the conclusions in the PEIR.
	Text is provided in the cell to clarify this outcome where deemed useful.
Red Cells	Potential for new/additional receptors to be affected and/or an increase to an impact or effect
	assessed in the PEIR. The changes would be material and/or the conclusions of the
	assessment would be affected and give rise to additional significant effects.
	Text is provided in the cell to clarify this outcome.

Table 3 Key to environmental assessment presented in EIA Assessment Table.





Table 4 Summary of environmental assessment of the proposed minor onshore route amendments.

Geology, hydrogeology and ground conditions

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC, operational access routes or temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

One of the amendments in relation to temporary access tracks (TAT.1.007) would result in an increased area of works within one Source Protection Zone III (SPZ). However, no new receptors would be introduced as the 400 kV grid connection corridor search area was assessed within the SPZ III as part of the PEIR and the increased area would not change the conclusions of the PEIR. No changes to the receptors or potential new sources of contamination have been identified beyond those already identified in the PEIR. No changes to the assessments in the PEIR are therefore required and the conclusions remain valid.

Hydrology and flood risk

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC, temporary access tracks or temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

The amended operational access routes would result in infrequent vehicle movements closer to some watercourses along field margins that were previously further from any proposed activity. Such changes are considered minor and will not affect the assessment and conclusions set out in the PEIR.

Onshore ecology and nature conservation

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC or temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

Two of the minor changes relating to temporary access tracks (TAT.1.003B, TAT.1.010) would result in a greater length of the Wrea Brook being located within the area of works and additional hedgerows/ponds located in closer proximity. These receptor types and the species that they support were assessed within PEIR. Therefore, the changes are considered minor and will not affect the assessment set out in the PEIR and the conclusions remain valid.

The use of existing tracks or fields to provide operational access routes on an occasional basis would not affect the conclusions presented in the PEIR.

Onshore and intertidal ornithology

None of the minor amendments to the temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

One of the minor changes relating to the location of the onshore ECC route (ECC.1.001) and temporary access tracks (TAT.1.010) would result in an increased area of works in closer proximity to functionally linked land (an area which contains sensitive habitats which supports overwintering birds). One of the proposed operational access routes (OAR.1.001) is also located in this area. These were assessed in the PEIR. The study area that was applied at PEIR for ornithological features was 500m from the PEIR Red Line Boundary. Where the temporary access tracks and operational access routes have been amended, the study area is no longer 500 m at all locations. However, based on the available desktop information and survey data for consideration, no new or additional receptors are anticipated. The changes are considered minor and will not affect the assessment set out in the PEIR.





Land use and agriculture

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC or operational access routes would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

The minor amendments to temporary access tracks and temporary construction compounds present additional impacts to some landholdings, but not to a scale that would affect the conclusions presented in the PEIR.

Where the minor amendments (TAT.1.004) potentially impact on the main bridleway route along Huck Lane (PRoW BW0503012), the potential disruption was already assessed within the PEIR and would be managed through the Public Rights of Way (PRoW) Management Plan. As such, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Traffic and transport

None of the minor amendments to the onshore ECC, operational access routes or temporary construction compounds would result in any change to the identified receptors and therefore any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

Minor amendments (TAT.1.010, TAT.1.011) to introduce new temporary accesses onto the highway network present the potential to change traffic distribution locally in construction phase. However, the scale of this would not change the conclusions of the PEIR. The minor amendments will not result in any changes to the receptors identified and assessed within the PEIR and so the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Noise and vibration

None of the minor amendments to the temporary access tracks or operational access routes would result in any change to the identified receptors or any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

One of the amendments to the onshore ECC (ECC.1.001) would be closer to Great Carr Side Farm and Woodside Farm Huck Lane. However, this option would also be further away from Bryning Hall Farm to the north east. Another, minor amendment to the temporary construction compounds would result in additional receptors closer to the revised temporary construction compound location (TCC.1.002) (Olroy House, Nearer Hillock Farm and Further Hillock Farm). The minor amendments will not result in any changes to the assessment presented within the PEIR and the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Air quality

None of the minor amendments to the temporary access tracks, temporary construction compounds or operational access routes would result in any change to the identified receptors or any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

One of the amendments for the onshore ECC (ECC.1.001) would result in some construction activity in closer proximity to small number of residential receptors. However, this would not alter risk levels for dust assigned in accordance with Institute of Air Quality Management guidance. Therefore, the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.





Seascape, landscape and visual resources

None of the minor amendments to the temporary construction compounds or operational access routes would result in any change to the identified receptors or any change to the conclusions of the assessment presented in the PEIR.

The amendment to the onshore ECC (ECC.1.001) would be located closer to visual receptors at Great Carr Side Farm and Woodside Farm Huck Lane, equestrians using bridleway at Huck Lane, and walkers using footpath linking Huck Lane and Great Carr Side Farm. This would result in higher levels of temporary visual impacts during construction for some specific receptors. The minor amendments to temporary access tracks (TAT.1.002, TAT.1.003A-B, TAT.1.005, TAT.1.006, TAT.1.010 & TAT.1.011) present potential loss of hedgerow, but also potential reduction in temporary visual impacts where existing screening is unaffected. Despite the changed proximity of receptors, these are limited and the conclusions of the PEIR remain valid.

Human health

No significant health effects were identified at PEIR. The minor amendments presented in **Table 2** would not result in any changes to the receptors identified and assessed within the PEIR and the conclusions of the PEIR would remain valid.

Conclusion

The environmental assessment of the proposed onshore route amendments has concluded that only minor changes to receptors remain within the assessments set out in the PEIR and the PEIR conclusions remain valid. No new receptors have been identified as a result of the changes being consulted upon that will require assessment above and beyond that set out in the PEIR.

A full assessment of all proposed changes taken forward into the DCO application will be presented in the Environmental Statement submitted by the Project in support of the final DCO application.





Annex 1b: Consultation questions on proposed minor onshore route amendments

Q1 - Do you have any comments / feedback on the proposed amendments shown in – **Annex 2a: Overview Map Book** and **Annex 2b: Detailed Map Book**? If so, please indicate which proposed change(s) you are commenting on using the change ID, e.g. ECC.1.001

Q2 - Do you have any comments / feedback on the potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed amendments shown in - Annex 1a: Supporting information on the proposed minor onshore route amendments and Annex 3: EIA Assessment Table?

Q3 - Do you have any other comments or feedback on the Project generally? (Please use next page if required)





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