

## **Lower Thames Crossing**

2.18 Hedgerow and Tree Preservation Order Plans Volume A (key plan) (Tracked changes version)

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#### 1 Introduction

- 1.1.1 This document is submitted to the Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State in relation to an application made by National Highways (the Applicant) under section 37 of the Planning Act 2008.
- 1.1.2 The application is for the grant of development consent for the A122 Lower Thames Crossing. Should development consent be granted, the draft A122 (Lower Thames Crossing) Development Consent Order (Application Document 3.1) (the draft Order) will be made by the Secretary of State for Transport (subject to any modifications considered appropriate).
- 1.1.3 This document comprises part of the suite of application documentation and is included in the application to comply with Regulations 5(2)(o) and 5(4) of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009, which require:
  - 5(2)(o) 'any other plans, drawings and sections necessary to describe the proposals for which development consent is sought, showing details of design, external appearance, and the preferred layout of buildings or structures, drainage, surface water management, means of vehicular and pedestrian access, any car parking to be provided, and means of landscaping.
  - 5(4) Where a plan comprises three or more separate sheets a key plan must be provided showing the relationship between the different sheets.'
- 1.1.4 As this document is part of the application documentation it should be read alongside, and is informed by, the other Application documents. In particular, the plans should be read alongside Schedule 7 of the draft Order (Application Document 3.1).
- 1.1.5 The purpose of the Hedgerow and Tree Preservation Order is to show the hedgerows and trees or group of trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order that are located along the project. It distinguishes between important hedgerows (as defined in paragraph (4) of the Hedgerows Regulations 1997) and other hedgerows.
- 1.1.6 The Hedgerow and Tree Preservation Order show the Order Limits and the relevant local authority boundaries for clarity. In this plan set, 'the Order Limits' mean the limits of lands to be acquired or used, permanently or temporarily, within which the authorised development may be carried out (see article 2 of the draft Order (Application Document 3.1)).
- 1.1.7 The Project design is shown in the background on the Hedgerow and Tree Preservation Order for illustrative purposes and specifically to provide context and aid understanding of the works. The design shown corresponds to the highways design and the environment works.
- 1.1.8 To ensure sufficient detail and clarity of information, the Hedgerow and Tree Preservation Order Plans (sheets 1 to 49) have been prepared at a scale of 1:2500. The key plan uses a smaller scale than that prescribed in Regulation 5(3) of the 2009 Regulations so that the Project can be represented on a single sheet plan.

- 1.1.9 The Applicant has adopted the same consistent approach for the Hedgerow and Tree Preservation Order as has been used for the following:
  - a. Land Plans (Application Document 2.2)
  - b. Crown Land Plans (Application Document 2.3)
  - c. Special Category Land Plans (Application Document 2.4)
  - d. General Arrangement Plans (Application Document 2.5)
  - e. Works Plans (Application Document 2.6)
  - f. Rights of Way and Access Plans (Application Document 2.7)
  - g. Streets Subject to Temporary Restrictions of Use Plans (Application Document 2.8)
  - h. Traffic Regulation Measures Plans (Application Document 2.10)
  - i. Drainage Plans (Application Document 2.16)
  - j. Temporary Works Plans (Application Document 2.17)
- 1.1.10 The information contained on each sheet of the Hedgerow and Tree Preservation Order Plans corresponds with the information shown on each sheet of the aforementioned sets. This is intended to help interested parties understand the inter-relationship between the different sets of plans and to help illustrate the design of the Project more clearly.
- 1.1.11 This approach means that there are some sheets that cover an area of the Project where there is no traffic regulations design to show. On these sheets, the Applicant has introduced a label stating: 'No design information on this sheet'.
- 1.1.12 This plan set uses a consistent key applicable to the plan set as a whole, rather than being tailored to each individual sheet. This means that there may be some items shown in the key that are not on a given sheet.
- 1.1.13 To ensure that the file size of this document does not exceed the 50MB limit prescribed by the Planning Inspectorate, the set has been split into three volumes: volume A contains the key plan, volume B the initial sheets 1 to 20 and volume C contains the following sheets, 21 to 49.
- 1.1.14 These plans have been updated for Deadline 3 to include the minor amendments as advised by the Examining Authority in Rule 9 [PD-022].

# 2 Schedule of Plans included in this application document

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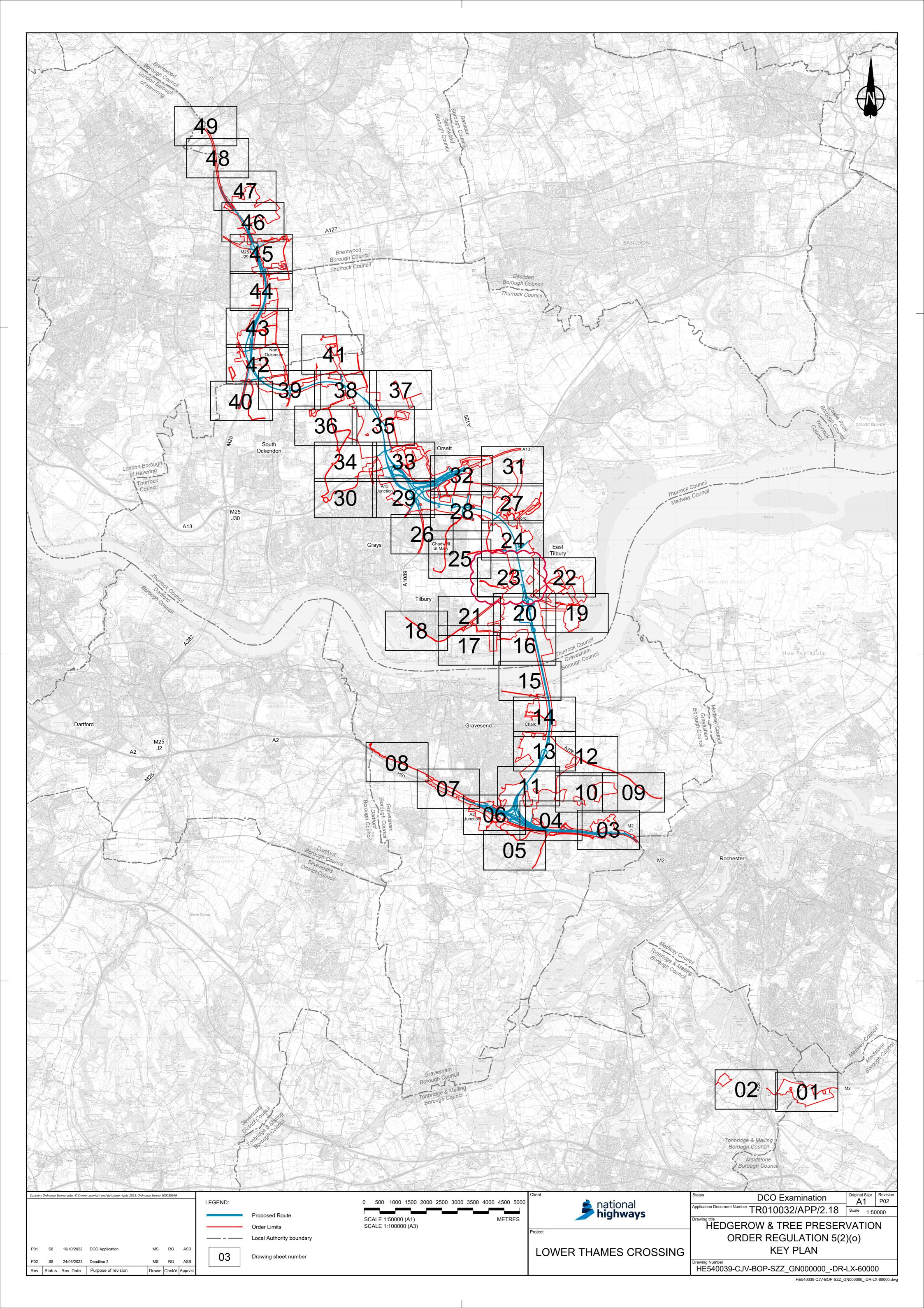
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