

Playford Corner Commencement Works

Code of Construction Practice Appendix 9 Public Rights of Way Management Plan DCO Requirement 22 (2) (j)

(Applicable to Work Numbers 39 and 40)

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1. INTRODUCTION AND SCOPE

1.1. Project Overview

1. East Anglia Three Limited (EATL) was awarded a Development Consent Order (DCO) by the Secretary of State, Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (DBEIS) on 7 August 2017 for the East Anglia THREE Offshore Windfarm (EA THREE). The DCO granted consent for the development of a 1200MW offshore windfarm and associated infrastructure and is live until 28 August 2022.
2. The DCO has now been subject to three non-material variations:
 - In March 2019 EATL submitted a non-material change application to DBEIS to amend the consent to increase the maximum generating capacity from 1,200MW to 1,400MW and to limit the maximum number of gravity base foundations to 100. In June 2019 DBEIS authorised the proposed change application and issued an Amendments Order.
 - In July 2020 EATL submitted a second non-material change application to DBEIS to amend the parameters of its offshore substations (reducing the number of these to one) and wind turbines (a decrease in the number of turbines and an increase in their hub height and rotor radius). On 15 April 2021 DBEIS authorised this proposed change application and issued an Amendments Order.
 - In August 2021 EATL submitted a third non-material change application to DBEIS to amend the consent to remove the maximum generating capacity of 1,400MW and to amend the parameters of its wind turbines (a decrease in the number of turbines and an increase in their hub height and rotor radius). The application is currently in the consultation phase.
3. The onshore construction works associated with EA THREE will have a capacity of 1400MW and transmission connection of 1320MW. The construction works will be spread across a 37km corridor between the Suffolk coast at Bawdsey and the East Anglia THREE converter station at Bramford, passing the northern side of Ipswich. As a result of the strategic approach taken, the cables will be pulled through pre-installed ducts laid during the onshore works for East Anglia ONE Offshore Windfarm (EA ONE), thereby substantially reducing the impacts of connecting to the National Grid (NG) at the same location. The infrastructure to be installed for EA THREE, therefore, comprises:
 - The landfall site with one associated transition bay location with two transition bays containing the connection between the offshore and onshore cables;
 - Two onshore electrical cables (single core);
 - Up to 62 jointing bay locations each with up to two jointing bays;
 - One onshore converter station, adjacent to the EA ONE Substation;
 - Three cables to link the converter station to the National Grid Bramford Substation;
 - Three onshore fibre optic cables; and
 - Landscaping and tree planting around the onshore converter station location.
4. Since the granting of the DCO, the decision has been made that the electrical connection for EA THREE will comprise a high voltage direct current (HVDC) cable rather than a high voltage alternating current cable and, therefore, the type of substation that will be required is a HVDC converter station. The substation will, therefore, be referred to here as a 'converter station' and this amended terminology has been agreed with the relevant authorities on 15 October 2020. It has also been determined that only one converter station will be constructed rather than two and that the converter station will be installed in a single construction phase.

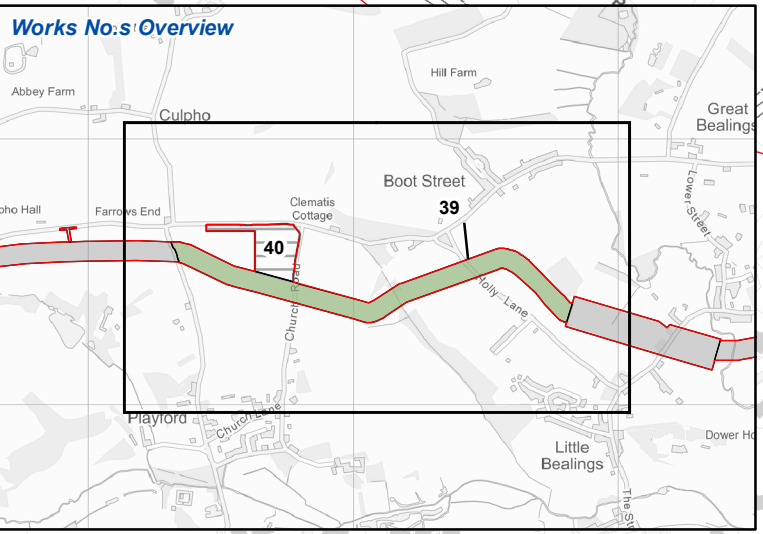
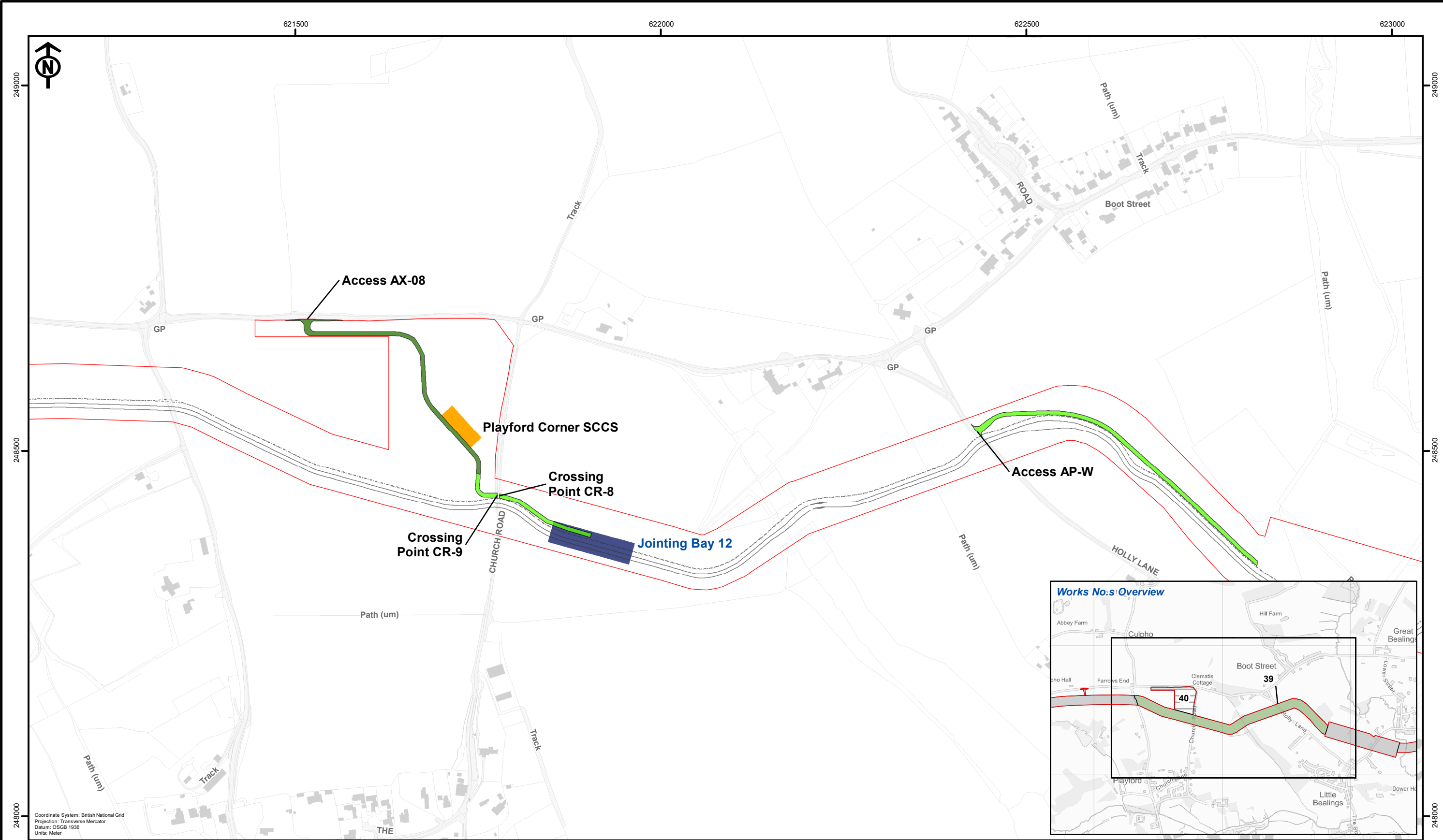
1.2. Scope

5. This Public Rights of Way Management Plan (PRoWMP) sets out the methods that will ensure that Public Rights of Way (PRoW) will be effectively managed during the EA THREE Playford Corner Commencement Works. This document forms an appendix to the Code of Construction Practice (CoCP), and fulfils DCO Requirement 22 (2) (j) which states:

22.—(2) The code of construction practice must include (...)
(j) a public rights of way management plan
6. The scope of this document relates to the management of PRoW associated with the Playford Corner Commencement Works Stage of the EA THREE onshore construction works. These works comprise Work No.s 39 and 40 in the DCO, (Figure 1 Site Context Plan). PRoWMPs have been produced for each stage of the onshore connection works and are provided under separate cover.
7. The Playford Corner Commencement Works will be some of the first works to be undertaken along the cable route. These works have been designated as a stage in their own right to allow the works to commence at this location prior to works commencing along

the cable route as a whole (i.e. the main cable works construction phase). The access and CCS will be constructed in Summer 2022 and the duct proving works, jointing bay installation, cable pull through and reinstatement will be undertaken as part of the main cable works construction phase.

8. PRoW include public roads and pavements, footpaths, bridleways and byways which are formally designated as PRoW by Suffolk County Council (SCC). Schedule 3 (Public Rights of Way to be Temporarily Stopped Up) of the EA THREE DCO comprises a list of those PRoW that may be stopped up or diverted under the provisions of the DCO without further requirement for additional permissions (Schedule 3 of the DCO and the Temporary Stopping up of Public Rights of Way Plan (Document 26.a of the application)).
9. While the proposed EA THREE project will interact with several PRoW within the entire onshore development area during its construction and operation, the Playford Corner Commencement Works will not, in fact, interact with any PRoW as shown on Figure 2 (PRoW in vicinity of Playford Corner Commencement Works). In addition, no cycle routes, open access or common land will be impacted. No particular management measures are, therefore, necessary.
10. Measures will however be implemented to ensure safe access and egress at all times for pedestrian and non-motorised modes of transport upon all public roads impacted by construction traffic in the vicinity of the Playford Corner Commencement Works as set out in the Playford Corner Commencement Works Traffic Management Plan (EA3-LDC-CNS-REP-IBR-000039).



EA THREE DCO Corridor

Secondary Construction Consolidation Site

Jointing Bay Compound

Access Track

Haul Road

EA THREE Existing Cable Ducts

EA ONE Existing Cable Ducts

Works No.s

39

40

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