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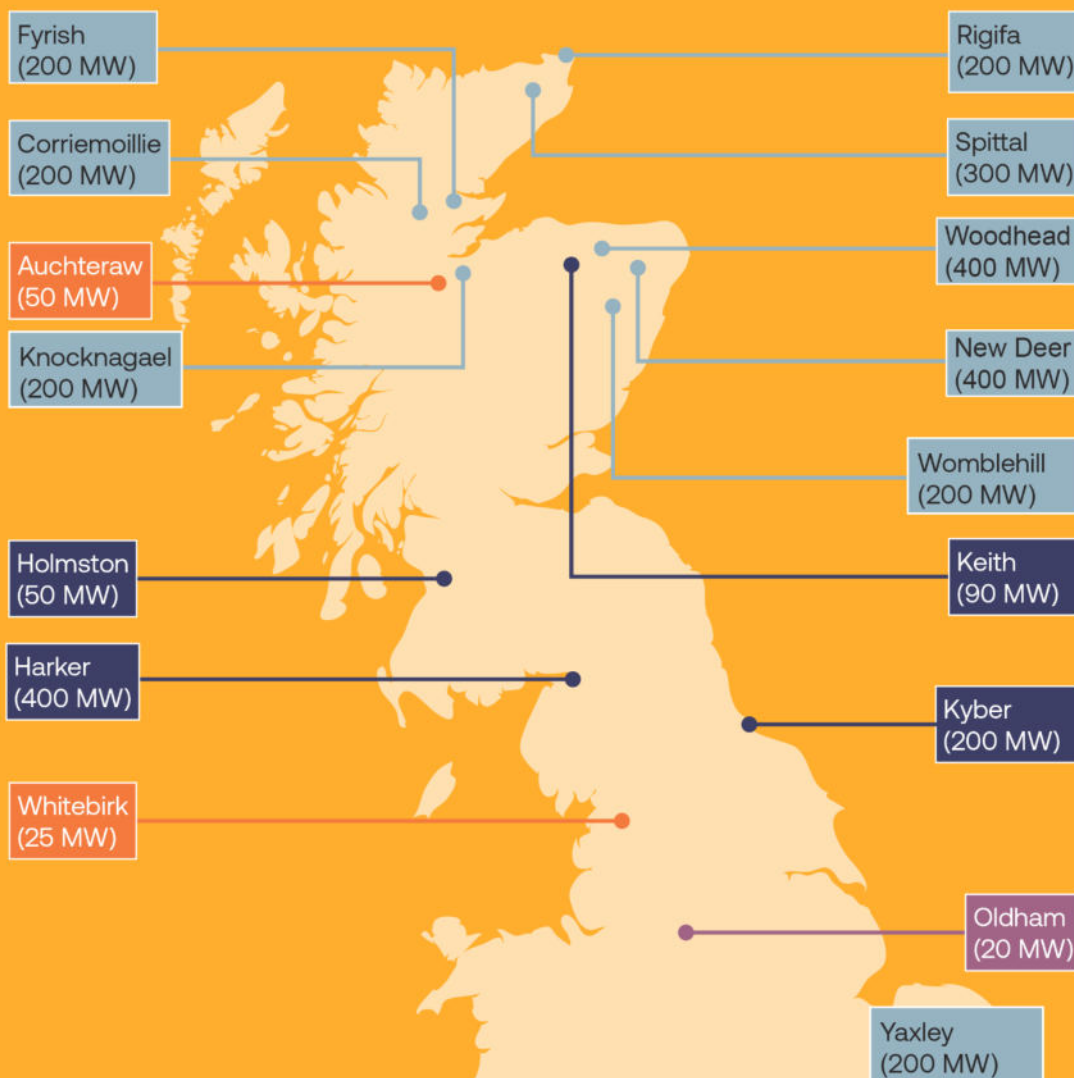
ABOUT US

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CONTACT

This website forms part of our pre-planning application process.

We would be grateful if you could fill out the feedback form on this page and let us have your contact details for the purpose of informing the project design and our planning application.

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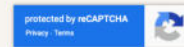
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APPENDIX D – POSTAL DISTRIBUTION AREA FOR LOCAL RESIDENTS

Information brochures were sent out on the 10 February 2025 to 403 addresses. The brochures were distributed to a minimum 2 km radius from the BESS Site, and included the nearest village of Cuminestown, where the consultation events were held. A distribution map is shown in Figure D.1

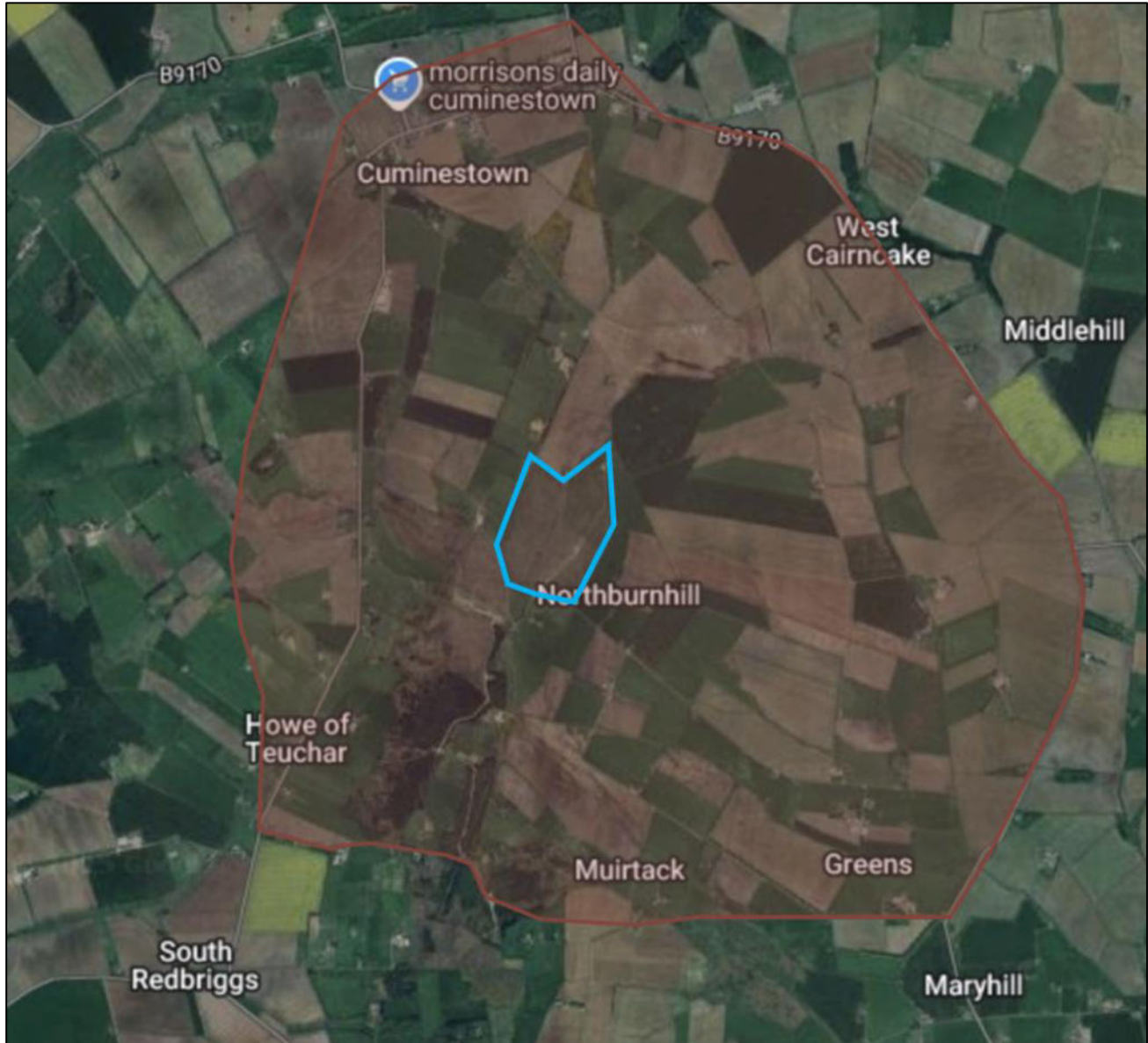


Figure D.1: Postal distribution area for public consultation events, comprising 403 notified addresses (carried out by Alpaca Communications).

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PETROLEUM ACT 1998
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A
SUBMARINE PIPELINE WORKS
AUTHORISATION

Equinor UK Limited hereby gives notice, in accordance with the provisions of Part 1 of Schedule 2 to the Petroleum Act 1998 that it has made an application to the North Sea Transition Authority for the grant of an authorisation for the construction and use of a system of pipelines between the Rosebank FPSO ESDVs and the Satellite J WI Well, Template D, WOSPS Tee Tie-In Assembly and between the Sat I DILT and Satellite I WI Well, FPSO DILT and Satellite K WI Well, Rosebank FPSO TUTU and Template D, URB and Satellite J WI Well, URB and Satellite K WI Well and between the URB and GRB.

The North Sea Transition Authority (NSTA) is the business name of the Oil and Gas Authority (OGA). The OGA remains the legal name of the company. References in this notice to the NSTA should be interpreted as the OGA.

A map (or maps) delineating the route of the proposed pipelines and providing certain further information may be inspected free of charge at the places listed in the Schedule to this notice from 10am to 4pm on each weekday from the date that this notice is published until the date mentioned in the next paragraph of this notice. Alternatively, log on to the following page to view electronically: <https://www.nstauthority.co.uk/licensing-consents/consents/pipeline-works-authorisations/public-notices/>

Pursuant to a direction of the NSTA, representations with respect to the application may be made in writing by email to consents@nstauthority.co.uk and addressed to the NSTA, Consents and Authorisations, Third Floor, 1 Marischal Square (1MSQ), Broad Street, Aberdeen, AB10 1BL (marked FAO NSTA Consents & Authorisations Team Lead, Offshore Pipeline Authorisations) not later than 4 April 2025 and should bear the reference "PA/5324" and state the grounds upon which the representations are made.

Dated 5th March 2025
Equinor House,
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David Hepworth

Rosebank SSU Authority Coordinator
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GLENSKINNAN
RENEWABLE ENERGY PARK



Galileo Empower is developing proposals for Glenskinnan Renewable Energy Park, located on land approximately 3km southeast of Strachan and 5km south of Banchory.

The proposals include up to 14 wind turbines. A solar array and battery energy storage system (BESS) are also proposed, subject to further technical studies.

MEET THE TEAM IN PERSON

Wednesday 19th March 2025,
2:00pm – 7:00pm
Strachan Village Hall,
Strachan, Banchory AB31 6LG

Thursday 20th March 2025,
2:00pm – 7:00pm
Auchenblae Village Hall,
Monboddoo St, Auchenblae,
Laurencekirk AB30 1XQ

The project is at an early stage, so your feedback is important to help us shape our proposals.

For further information go to:
www.glenskinnanenergy.co.uk

Deadline for feedback:
Thursday 10th April 2025

GET IN TOUCH

Email:
glenskinnan@galileoempower.uk

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0131 202 3259

Address:
**Galileo Empower,
7-9 N St David Street,
Edinburgh EH2 1AW**

It is important to note that any comments received are not representations to the Scottish Ministers. There will be an opportunity to make comments on the application once it is submitted to the Scottish Ministers.

FIELD
NEW DEER

Field New Deer Ltd (Field) is preparing to submit a planning application for a Battery Energy Storage System site on land to the north west of the planned Greens (New Deer 2) Substation.

The battery would provide up to 400 MW of electricity to create a greener and more stable grid. This is expected to avoid up to 1.4 million tonnes of CO2e emissions during the first 20 years of operation.

Please visit www.fieldnewdeer.co.uk where we will provide updates on this project. For further information, please do not hesitate to email the project team at feedback@fieldnewdeer.co.uk

We will be accepting pre-application submission comments until Monday 24th March 2025.

Comments made to Field are not representations to the Scottish Ministers. If the Applicant submits a planning application there will be an opportunity for consultees to make representations on the application to the Scottish Ministers.

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APPENDIX F – PUBLIC CONSULTATION EVENT 1 DISPLAY BOARDS

WHAT ARE WE PROPOSING TO BUILD AND OPERATE?

Field builds and operates large batteries which store energy to help create a greener, more stable electricity grid.

We'd like to build one of these batteries, Field New Deer, on land to the north west of the planned Greens (New Deer 2) Substation.

Field New Deer would have a maximum export capacity of 400 MW.

This would be achieved by supplying the grid with electricity stored when renewable energy generation is high, therefore reducing reliance on high carbon energy sources when renewable generation is low.

Field has several battery sites across Great Britain in operation and construction, including our 200 MW battery in Hartmoor which will commence construction in 2026. Field New Deer would join a nationwide network of batteries which, together, will help the UK reach net zero.



INDICATIVE TIMELINE



Winter 2024/25

Early environmental assessments and design work



Tuesday 25th February 2025

Public consultation event 1



Tuesday 18th March 2025

Public consultation event 2



Spring 2025

Submission of planning application



Autumn 2025

Determination of planning application



2028 onwards

Construction and operation

FIELD NEW DEER

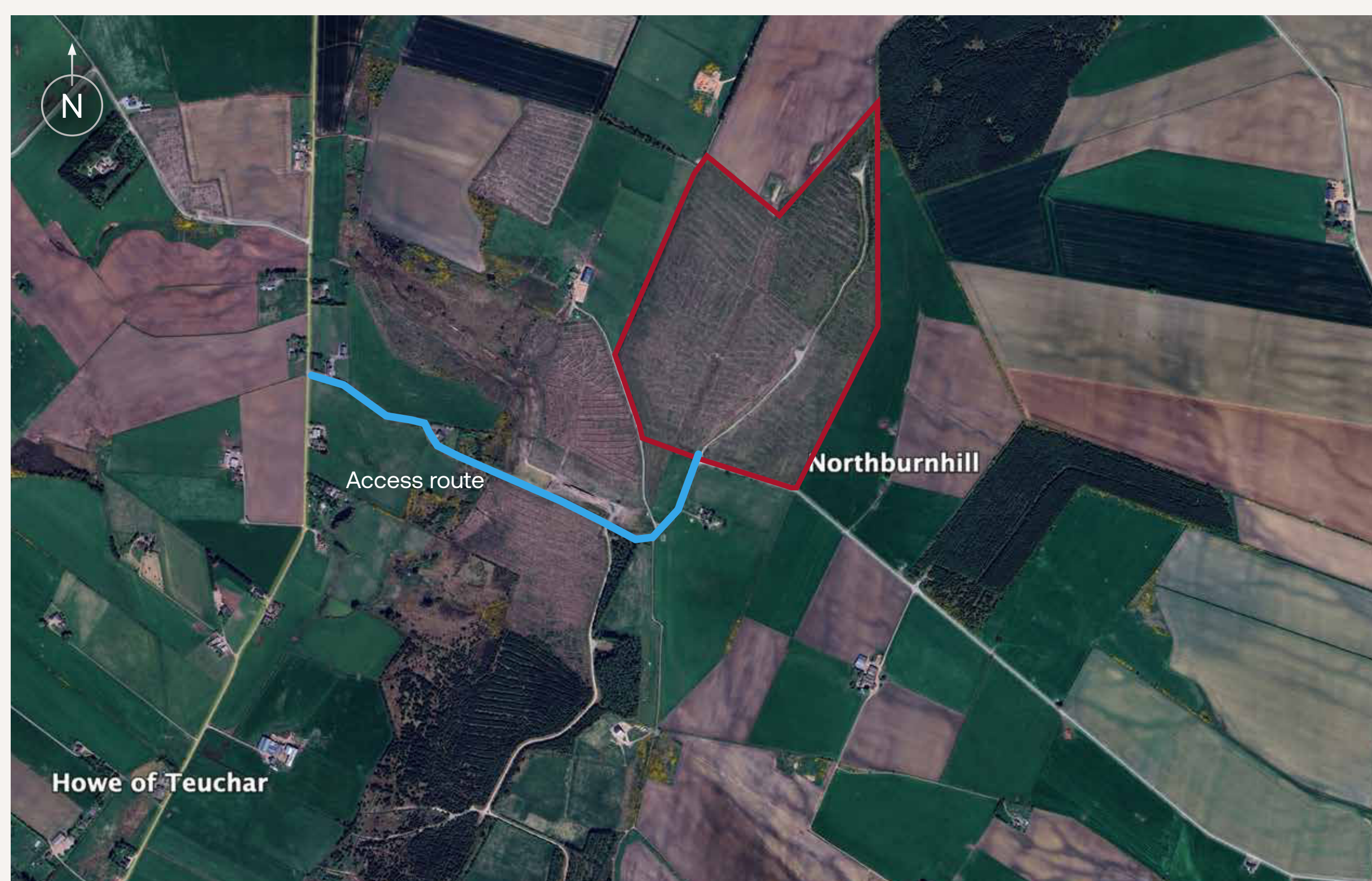
Field New Deer would be located on land to the north west of the planned Greens (New Deer 2) Substation.

The built infrastructure (batteries, cables, access tracks etc.) is proposed to cover an area of approximately 30 hectares.

We'll also provide biodiversity enhancements to ensure we are having a positive ecological effect on the land we use.

New Deer will be made up of the following components:

- **Battery energy storage units**, which will be used to store the energy from the grid.
- **Power conversion systems** (including inverters and transformers), which convert energy from alternating current to direct current, so that it can be stored by the batteries.
- **On-site transformers and an interface substation**, which either steps up or steps down the voltage of the energy being stored.
- An **underground cable connection** to connect the battery to the planned Greens (New Deer 2) substation.
- **Site access tracks** to allow vehicles (including emergency vehicles) to safely get around the site.
- **Drainage arrangements** to allow surface water to drain from the site at the same rate as the existing site.
- **Site security**, including CCTV, fencing and lighting.
- **Landscaping** for biodiversity enhancement.



STORING ENERGY IN ABERDEENSHIRE

Scotland has set a target to become net zero by 2045.* Batteries enable much greater use of renewable energy, and therefore play an important role in helping Scotland reach net zero.

Batteries are a vital part of how we can make the most of renewable energy, which is why we believe that they can play a part in the Aberdeenshire Council's route map to 2030 and beyond. Below is the council's statement regarding to their drive for net zero within Aberdeenshire.

“On 18 March 2020 Aberdeenshire Council, agreed a Climate Change Declaration committing to working towards a carbon free society by reducing its own emissions by 75% (2010/11 baseline) by 2030 and to work with others across the region to ensure that Aberdeenshire reaches Net Zero by 2045.”



*<https://www.gov.scot/policies/climate-change>



WHY DO WE NEED BIG BATTERIES?

To reach net zero, increase energy security and help reduce energy bills, we need to store renewable energy and improve the electricity grid's stability and reliability.

Our batteries are designed to fill gaps in the UK's electricity supply by charging up when renewable energy is being produced (such as on windy or sunny days) and discharging energy back into the grid when needed (e.g. when the wind isn't blowing, the sun isn't shining, or we aren't able to import enough energy from elsewhere). This ensures plenty of electricity is available for people to make their morning cuppa, even on a calm, overcast winter's day.

These batteries work a lot like the batteries you use at home, only instead of using our batteries to power a torch or TV remote, we operate large, 'grid scale' batteries.

This means we can rely more on renewable energy and less on expensive fossil fuels to provide electricity to thousands of homes and businesses.

Batteries are also very good at keeping the grid stable, by maintaining a constant and predictable supply of electricity to the grid, at the right frequency.

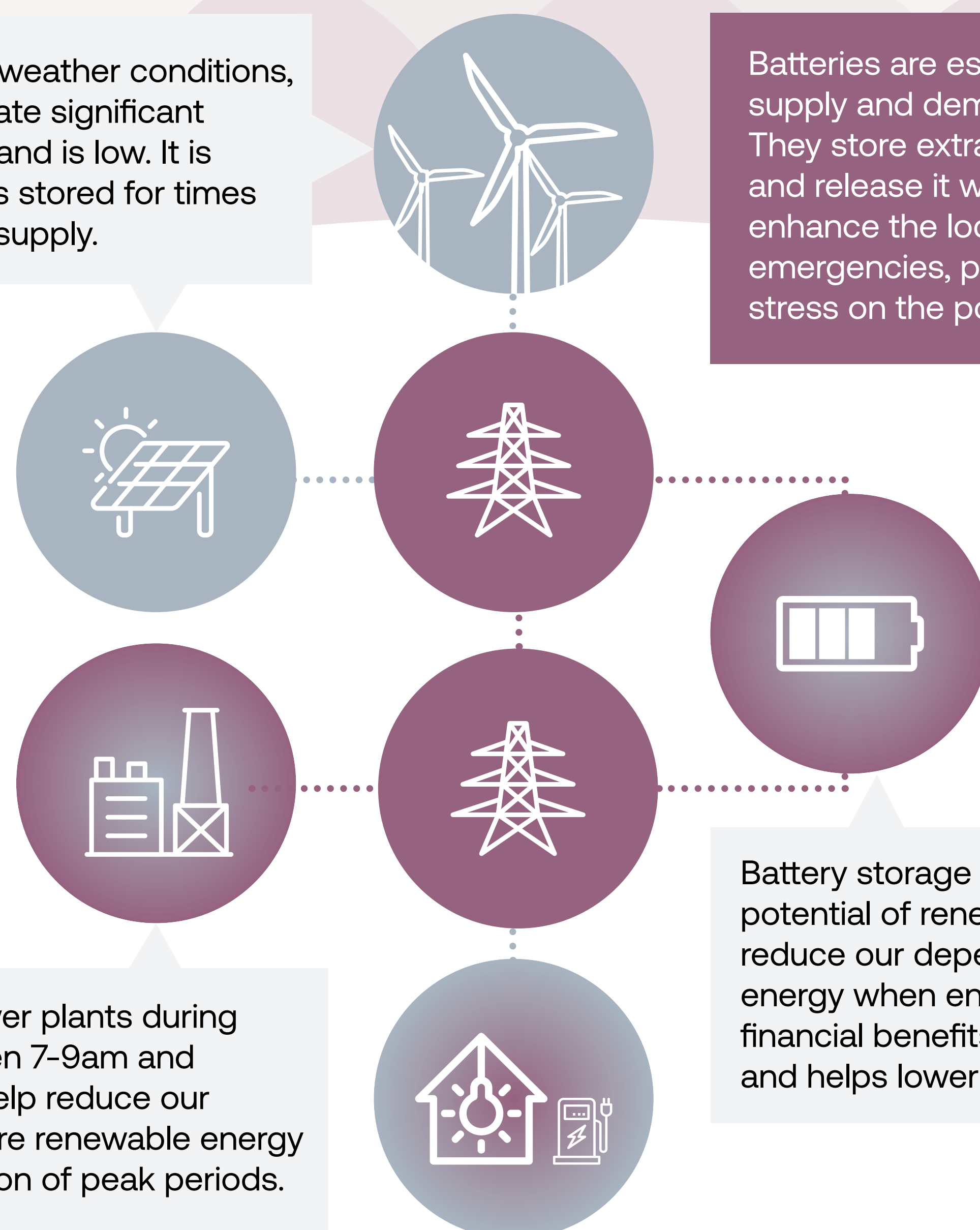
Changes in the supply and demand of electricity on the network create changes in this electrical frequency. This needs to be closely monitored, as if frequency is too high or too low, the network can't operate properly. This site will help to keep this frequency at the right level, which in turn helps reduce the chances of network disruptions or blackouts.

Wind and solar energy rely on weather conditions, meaning they can often generate significant amounts of energy when demand is low. It is important this excess energy is stored for times when demand is greater than supply.

Batteries are essential for managing energy supply and demand throughout the day. They store extra energy when demand is low and release it when demand is high. They enhance the local power grid's stability during emergencies, preventing blackouts and reducing stress on the power infrastructure.

We currently turn on gas power plants during peak periods such as between 7-9am and 6-8pm. Battery storage will help reduce our reliance on gas power, as more renewable energy can be stored up in anticipation of peak periods.

Battery storage allows us to maximise the potential of renewable energy sources and reduce our dependence on fossil fuel based energy when energy demand is highest. This has financial benefits, such as reducing energy costs, and helps lower greenhouse gas emissions.



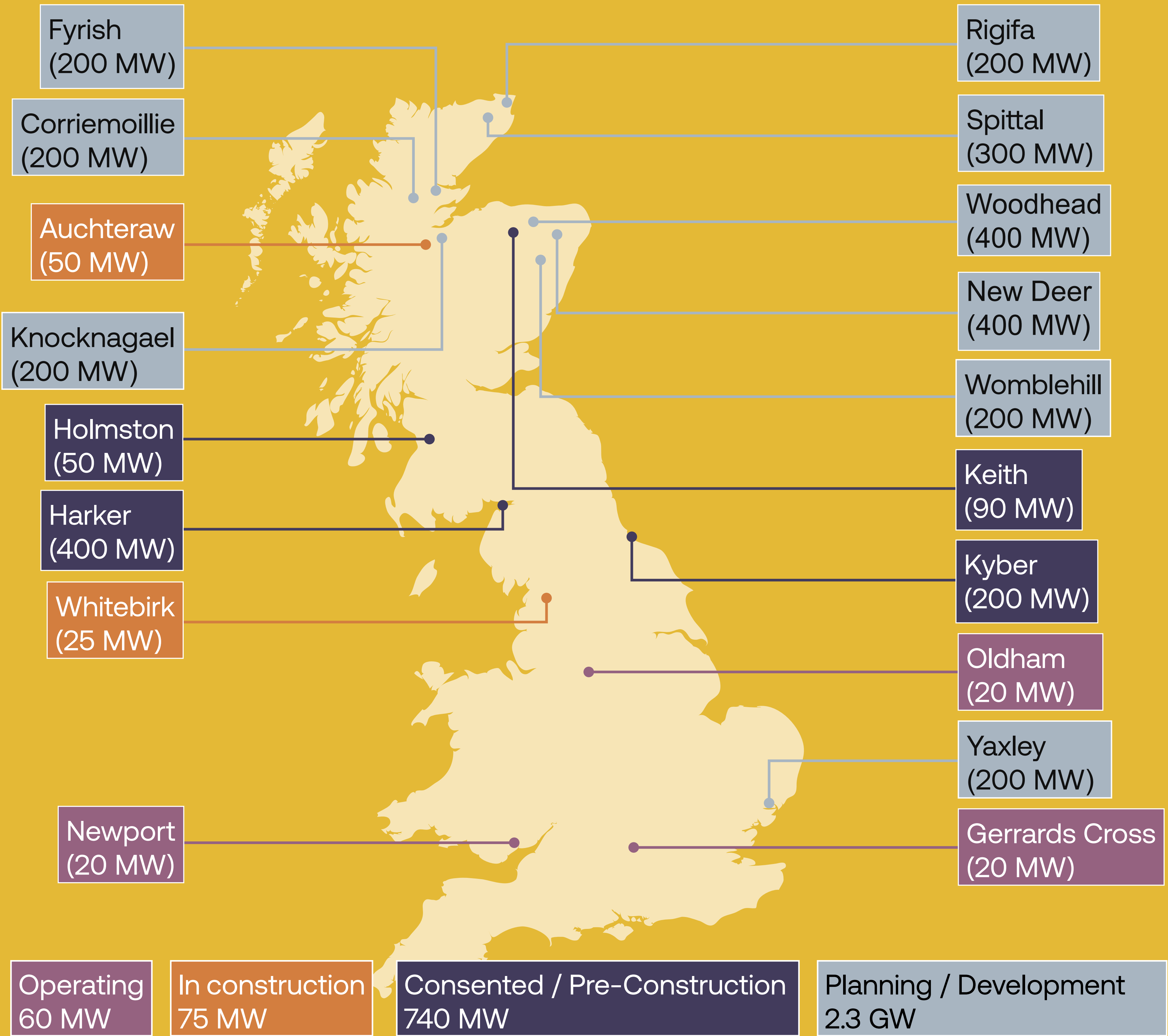
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This site would form part of Field’s extensive portfolio of battery projects across the UK and Europe. In the UK, we have several projects at varying stages of development:



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Why do we need batteries in this area?

The north east of Scotland has an abundance of renewable energy resources like wind, hydro and tidal power.

Locating the batteries in close proximity to the north east's renewable assets like wind farms ensures this stored energy can be utilised as efficiently as possible, with minimal transmission losses.

At a local level, we've selected a site as close as possible to the substation, which prevents the need for unnecessarily long and intrusive grid connection cables or overhead lines.

How does this help Scotland's energy security?

Scotland has set an ambitious target of becoming net zero by 2045. Achieving this will require a massive increase in renewable energy generation and widespread electrification of transport and heating.

However, this transition also creates challenges around managing Scotland's energy security and resilience as we need more electricity and as we become more reliant on weather dependent renewable resources like wind and solar power.

Projects like this act as giant electric reservoirs, charging up when renewable energy is being produced, ensuring a steady supply of electricity, regardless of the variable renewable conditions. They allow more renewable energy to be used and reduce dependence on fossil fuels.

By storing the abundant Scottish renewable energy for when it's needed, batteries will play a vital role in keeping the lights on across the country while the energy system decarbonises.

When will this site be built?

We will be submitting our planning application to the Energy Consents Unit in Spring 2025. If we are granted consent, we would look to start construction in 2028 and it will take about two years to complete construction.

Are battery energy storage sites noisy?

The main noise associated with batteries are the cooling fans, which keep the batteries from overheating. Noise is measured against existing background noise levels and noise levels are required to meet the relevant British Standards and World Health Organisation Noise Guidelines.

We have carried out baseline noise surveys to understand the existing background noise conditions around the site. We'll carry out a detailed noise assessment to model the predicted noise levels from the operational battery equipment against existing background levels.

This assessment will identify any potential noise impacts on nearby noise-sensitive receptors like homes. Where potential impacts are identified, we'll incorporate mitigation measures into the design, such as acoustic fencing or the orientation of equipment, to ensure operational noise meets relevant regulations.

Will the project impact local traffic?

Once operational, the battery will have minimal impact on local traffic, with only occasional visits required for maintenance.

When the battery is being built, construction traffic is managed through a Construction Traffic Management Plan. This will include details of construction traffic numbers, vehicle routing and working hours.

As with all aspects of the development, we welcome input from the local community to help reduce any impact on local roads where possible.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Will the project impact trees or bats?

We have selected this site because of its absence of ecologically sensitive features. We also carry out full ecological surveys, including bird and bat surveys, to identify any potential ecological impacts, and we provide biodiversity enhancements to compensate for any impacts that do occur. This is typically through the planting of native species as part of our landscaping, which will also help to minimise any potential visual impacts.

Are the batteries safe?

Grid-scale batteries are safe facilities. We work hard throughout site design, construction and into operation to ensure the safety of our sites. We only use batteries that have best-in-class fire safety performance and will be compliant with all relevant fire safety standards.

The batteries will be constantly monitored and in the unlikely event that a fire does occur, the facility will employ automatic fire detection and suppression systems.

We're also working with the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service to ensure suitable emergency response procedures are in place, including a Battery Safety Management Plan.

How will the site security be managed?

The security and safety of our battery storage facilities is extremely important. This site will have robust security measures in place, including:

- Perimeter fencing and secure gated access to prevent unauthorized entry
- 24/7 CCTV monitoring of the site
- Appropriate security lighting to aid CCTV coverage
- Routine inspections and maintenance by Field's operational staff.

How are cumulative impacts assessed with other planned developments in the area?

We are aware of several other developments proposed in the surrounding area. We are working with other developers where possible to ensure that cumulative impacts, particularly in relation to noise, traffic and visual impacts, are appropriately managed. The final details of these mitigation measures will be agreed before construction starts, when the exact timelines for all projects are known. We welcome any feedback or knowledge from the local community about other proposals you are aware of, so that we can ensure these are appropriately considered.

How are we working with local communities?

We own and operate all our sites throughout their lifespans. As a responsible developer and operator, listening to local communities matters to us, as it allows us to understand and respond to local issues, and ultimately build and operate better battery sites. We engage early with communities throughout the development process, oversee the construction on-site and we're responsible for the project once it's in operation. We're part of communities for the long-term.

PLANNING APPLICATION

To support our planning application, we are proposing to submit the following documents and assessments:

- Ecology Statement
- Ground Condition Risk Assessment
- Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment
- Flood Risk Assessment / Drainage Strategy
- Noise Impact Assessment
- Archaeology and Cultural Heritage Statement
- Transport Statement and Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan
- Outline Battery Safety Management Plan
- Design Statement
- Planning / Sustainable Place Statement
- Pre-application Consultation Report.

Following submission, these documents will be available to the public via the Energy Consents Unit's website.

Please note that comments made during this pre-application consultation phase are not representations to the Scottish Ministers. Following submission of the planning application to the Energy Consents Unit, there will be an opportunity to make representations directly to the Scottish Ministers.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

We're holding a second consultation event on Tuesday 18th March 2025. Please sign up to our mailing list or check our website for details of the how to attend the second event. We'll continue accepting feedback via post or email until Monday 24th March.

We'll then integrate your feedback into the final planning application and submit this to the Energy Consents Unit in Spring 2025.

After it's submitted, you will have the opportunity to make a representation about the application to the Scottish Ministers, via the Energy Consents Unit.

WANT TO KNOW MORE?



For more information, please visit our website at www.fieldnewdeer.co.uk

If you have any questions or you'd like to provide comments, please do not hesitate to email us at feedback@fieldnewdeer.co.uk.

OUR OTHER BATTERY SITES

Field's experienced team manages each battery storage project's full lifecycle. With projects going through every stage of development and operation, we apply learnings and best practices across our portfolio to ensure reliable, safe and sustainable facilities. A brief overview of three of these sites is included below:



Field Auchteraw

50 MW, near Fort Augustus
In construction

Field Auchteraw will be capable of producing up to 50 MW of electricity once operational. Located near Fort Augustus, Field is continuing to work closely with The Highland Council, with the project expected to start operating in late-2024.

The project demonstrates Field's expertise in developing battery storage on greenfield sites while prioritising landscaping and biodiversity measures to complement the surrounding environment. We've worked closely with the local community to manage traffic impacts; including implementing a one-way system for construction traffic to half the number of construction vehicles on a sensitive local road in response to concerns raised by the community.



Field Oldham

20 MW, near Manchester
Operational

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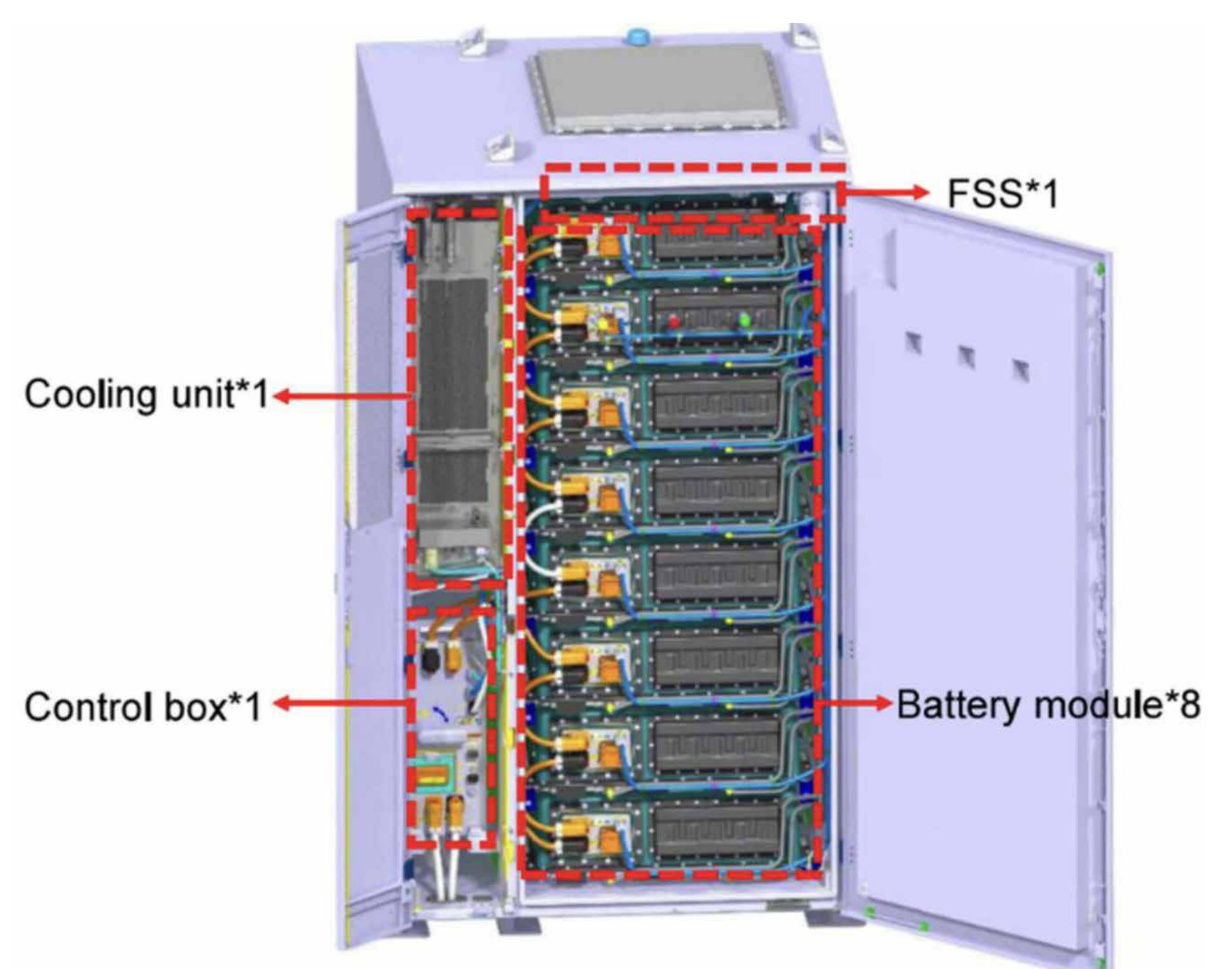
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APPENDIX G – PUBLIC CONSULTATION EVENT 2 DISPLAY BOARDS

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- New boards include a **red** border; and
- Replaced boards include a **blue** border.

FIELD NEW DEER

New Deer will be made up of the following components:

- **Battery energy storage units**, which will be used to store the energy from the grid.
- **Power conversion systems** (including inverters and transformers), which convert energy from alternating current to direct current, so that it can be stored by the batteries.
- **On-site transformers and an interface substation**, which either steps up or steps down the voltage of the energy being stored.
- An **underground cable connection** to connect the battery to the planned Greens (New Deer 2) substation.
- **Site access tracks** to allow vehicles (including emergency vehicles) to safely get around the site.
- **Drainage arrangements** to allow surface water to drain from the site at the same rate as the existing site.
- **Site security**, including CCTV, fencing and lighting.
- **Landscaping** for biodiversity enhancement.

Since our last consultation event, we've made the following changes in response to your feedback, engagement with other stakeholders, and the progression of ongoing technical studies:

- Introduction of a 4-metre-high bund along the site's western boundary
- Introduction of a proposed re-routed recreational walking track to connect to Bailey's Walk
- Two fire water tanks to ensure fire water supply
- Revised landscaping design to reduce visibility from surrounding viewpoints
- Shifted site 40 m south to avoid conflict with SSE's proposed 400 kV OHL
- Enlarged and revised attenuation basin.



WHAT ARE WE PROPOSING TO BUILD AND OPERATE?

Field builds and operates large batteries which store energy to help create a greener, more stable electricity grid.

We'd like to build one of these batteries, Field New Deer, on land to the north west of the planned Greens (New Deer 2) Substation.

Field New Deer would have a maximum export capacity of 400 MW.

This would be achieved by supplying the grid with electricity stored when renewable energy generation is high, therefore reducing reliance on high carbon energy sources when renewable generation is low.

Field has several battery sites across Great Britain in operation and construction, including our 200 MW battery in Hartmoor which will commence construction in 2026. Field New Deer would join a nationwide network of batteries which, together, will help the UK reach net zero.



INDICATIVE TIMELINE



Winter 2024/25

Early environmental assessments and design work



Tuesday 25th February 2025

Public consultation event 1



Tuesday 18th March 2025

Public consultation event 2



Spring 2025

Submission of planning application



Autumn 2025

Determination of planning application



2028 onwards

Construction and operation

STORING ENERGY IN ABERDEENSHIRE

Scotland has set a target to become net zero by 2045.* Batteries enable much greater use of renewable energy, and therefore play an important role in helping Scotland reach net zero.

Batteries are a vital part of how we can make the most of renewable energy, which is why we believe that they can play a part in the Aberdeenshire Council's route map to 2030 and beyond. Below is the council's statement regarding to their drive for net zero within Aberdeenshire.

“On 18 March 2020 Aberdeenshire Council, agreed a Climate Change Declaration committing to working towards a carbon free society by reducing its own emissions by 75% (2010/11 baseline) by 2030 and to work with others across the region to ensure that Aberdeenshire reaches Net Zero by 2045.”



*<https://www.gov.scot/policies/climate-change>



WHY DO WE NEED BIG BATTERIES?

To reach net zero, increase energy security and help reduce energy bills, we need to store renewable energy and improve the electricity grid's stability and reliability.

Our batteries are designed to fill gaps in the UK's electricity supply by charging up when renewable energy is being produced (such as on windy or sunny days) and discharging energy back into the grid when needed (e.g. when the wind isn't blowing, the sun isn't shining, or we aren't able to import enough energy from elsewhere). This ensures plenty of electricity is available for people to make their morning cuppa, even on a calm, overcast winter's day.

These batteries work a lot like the batteries you use at home, only instead of using our batteries to power a torch or TV remote, we operate large, 'grid scale' batteries.

This means we can rely more on renewable energy and less on expensive fossil fuels to provide electricity to thousands of homes and businesses.

Batteries are also very good at keeping the grid stable, by maintaining a constant and predictable supply of electricity to the grid, at the right frequency.

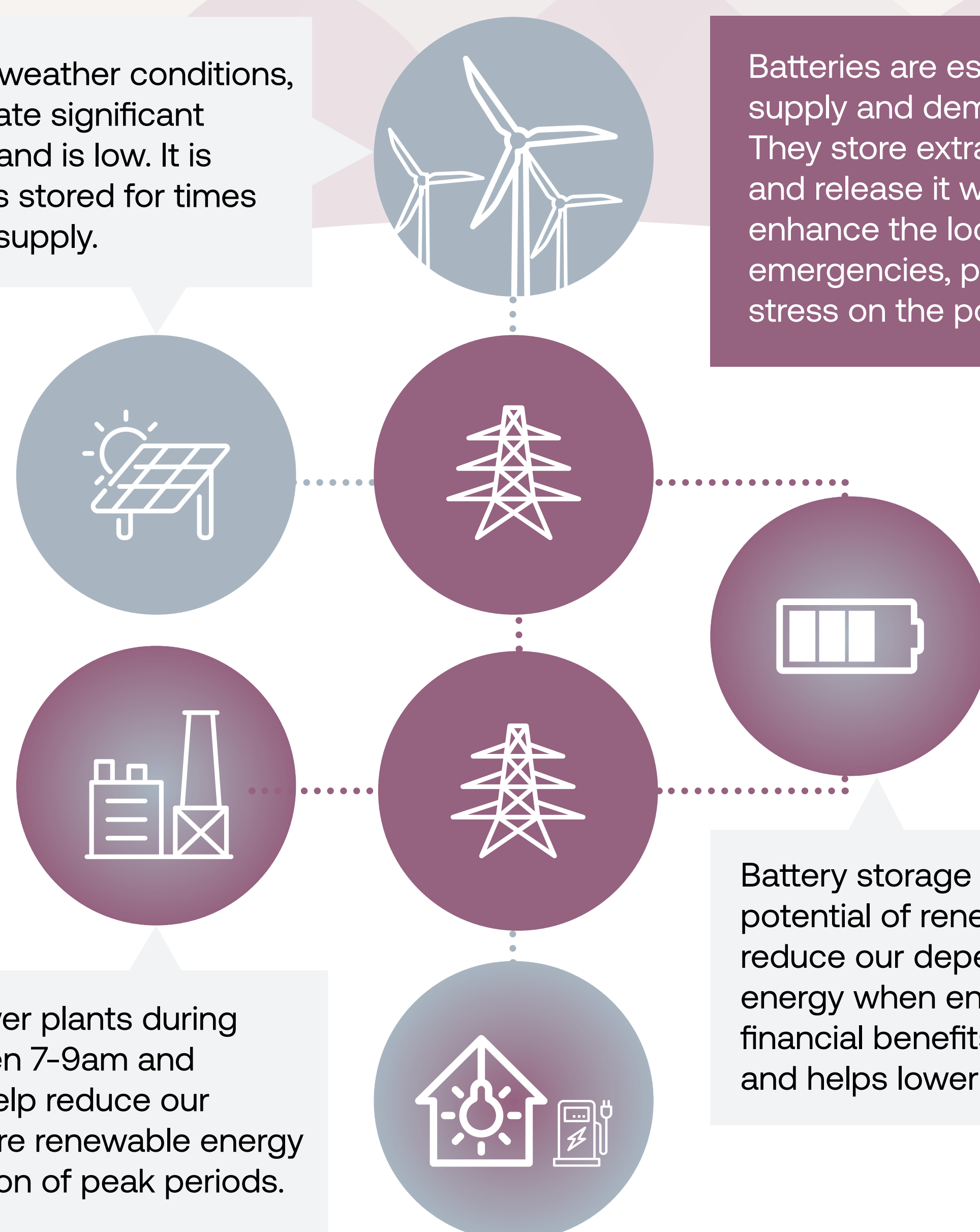
Changes in the supply and demand of electricity on the network create changes in this electrical frequency. This needs to be closely monitored, as if frequency is too high or too low, the network can't operate properly. This site will help to keep this frequency at the right level, which in turn helps reduce the chances of network disruptions or blackouts.

Wind and solar energy rely on weather conditions, meaning they can often generate significant amounts of energy when demand is low. It is important this excess energy is stored for times when demand is greater than supply.

Batteries are essential for managing energy supply and demand throughout the day. They store extra energy when demand is low and release it when demand is high. They enhance the local power grid's stability during emergencies, preventing blackouts and reducing stress on the power infrastructure.

We currently turn on gas power plants during peak periods such as between 7-9am and 6-8pm. Battery storage will help reduce our reliance on gas power, as more renewable energy can be stored up in anticipation of peak periods.

Battery storage allows us to maximise the potential of renewable energy sources and reduce our dependence on fossil fuel based energy when energy demand is highest. This has financial benefits, such as reducing energy costs, and helps lower greenhouse gas emissions.



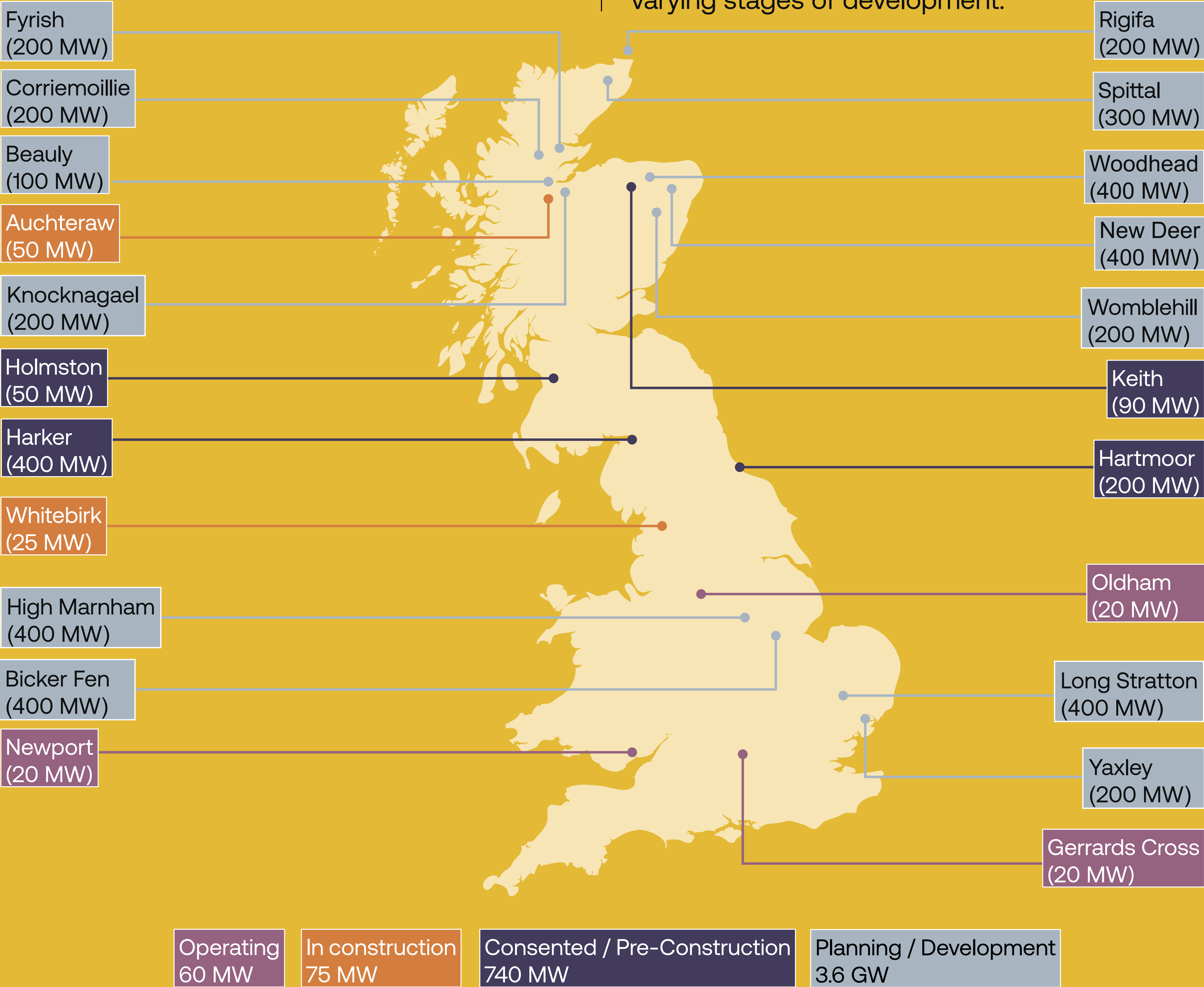
WHO WE ARE

Field is a leading developer, owner and operator of grid-scale batteries across the UK and Europe. Field’s aim is to develop battery projects that reduce climate change emissions, support the stable operation of the electricity grid, and bring down electricity prices for consumers.

We’re responsible for all stages of project development, from initial landowner engagement through to concept design, planning, construction and operation. We’re committed to designing, building and operating projects that are safe, environmentally sustainable and have as little impact as possible on the communities around them.

We value ongoing engagement with our communities to understand and respond to local perspectives and concerns, and will work with local communities throughout every stage of the project.

This site would form part of Field’s extensive portfolio of battery projects across the UK and Europe. In the UK, we have several projects at varying stages of development:



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Why do we need batteries in this area?

The north east of Scotland has an abundance of renewable energy resources like wind, hydro and tidal power.

Locating the batteries in close proximity to the north east's renewable assets like wind farms ensures this stored energy can be utilised as efficiently as possible, with minimal transmission losses.

At a local level, we've selected a site as close as possible to the substation, which prevents the need for unnecessarily long and intrusive grid connection cables or overhead lines.

How does this help Scotland's energy security?

Scotland has set an ambitious target of becoming net zero by 2045. Achieving this will require a massive increase in renewable energy generation and widespread electrification of transport and heating.

However, this transition also creates challenges around managing Scotland's energy security and resilience as we need more electricity and as we become more reliant on weather dependent renewable resources like wind and solar power.

Projects like this act as giant electric reservoirs, charging up when renewable energy is being produced, ensuring a steady supply of electricity, regardless of the variable renewable conditions. They allow more renewable energy to be used and reduce dependence on fossil fuels.

By storing the abundant Scottish renewable energy for when it's needed, batteries will play a vital role in keeping the lights on across the country while the energy system decarbonises.

When will this site be built?

We will be submitting our planning application to the Energy Consents Unit in Spring 2025. If we are granted consent, we would look to start construction in 2028 and it will take about two years to complete construction.

Are battery energy storage sites noisy?

The main noise associated with batteries are the cooling fans, which keep the batteries from overheating. Noise is measured against existing background noise levels and noise levels are required to meet the relevant British Standards and World Health Organisation Noise Guidelines.

We have carried out baseline noise surveys to understand the existing background noise conditions around the site. We'll carry out a detailed noise assessment to model the predicted noise levels from the operational battery equipment against existing background levels.

This assessment will identify any potential noise impacts on nearby noise-sensitive receptors like homes. Where potential impacts are identified, we'll incorporate mitigation measures into the design, such as acoustic fencing or the orientation of equipment, to ensure operational noise meets relevant regulations.

Will the project impact local traffic?

Once operational, the battery will have minimal impact on local traffic, with only occasional visits required for maintenance.

When the battery is being built, construction traffic is managed through a Construction Traffic Management Plan. This will include details of construction traffic numbers, vehicle routing and working hours.

As with all aspects of the development, we welcome input from the local community to help reduce any impact on local roads where possible.

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Will the project impact trees or bats?

We have selected this site because of its absence of ecologically sensitive features. We also carry out full ecological surveys, including bird and bat surveys, to identify any potential ecological impacts, and we provide biodiversity enhancements to compensate for any impacts that do occur. This is typically through the planting of native species as part of our landscaping, which will also help to minimise any potential visual impacts.

Are the batteries safe?

Grid-scale batteries are safe facilities. We work hard throughout site design, construction and into operation to ensure the safety of our sites. We only use batteries that have best-in-class fire safety performance and will be compliant with all relevant fire safety standards.

The batteries will be constantly monitored and in the unlikely event that a fire does occur, the facility will employ automatic fire detection and suppression systems.

We're also working with the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service to ensure suitable emergency response procedures are in place, including a Battery Safety Management Plan.

How will the site security be managed?

The security and safety of our battery storage facilities is extremely important. This site will have robust security measures in place, including:

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- 24/7 CCTV monitoring of the site
- Appropriate security lighting to aid CCTV coverage
- Routine inspections and maintenance by Field's operational staff.

How are cumulative impacts assessed with other planned developments in the area?

We are aware of several other developments proposed in the surrounding area. We are working with other developers where possible to ensure that cumulative impacts, particularly in relation to noise, traffic and visual impacts, are appropriately managed. The final details of these mitigation measures will be agreed before construction starts, when the exact timelines for all projects are known. We welcome any feedback or knowledge from the local community about other proposals you are aware of, so that we can ensure these are appropriately considered.

How are we working with local communities?

We own and operate all our sites throughout their lifespans. As a responsible developer and operator, listening to local communities matters to us, as it allows us to understand and respond to local issues, and ultimately build and operate better battery sites. We engage early with communities throughout the development process, oversee the construction on-site and we're responsible for the project once it's in operation. We're part of communities for the long-term.

OUR OTHER BATTERY SITES

Field's experienced team manages each battery storage project's full lifecycle. With projects going through every stage of development and operation, we apply learnings and best practices across our portfolio to ensure reliable, safe and sustainable facilities. A brief overview of three of these sites is included below:



Field Auchteraw

50 MW, near Fort Augustus
In construction

Field Auchteraw will be capable of producing up to 50 MW of electricity once operational. Located near Fort Augustus, Field is continuing to work closely with The Highland Council, with the project expected to start operating in mid-2025.

The project demonstrates Field's expertise in developing battery storage on greenfield sites while prioritising landscaping and biodiversity measures to complement the surrounding environment. We've worked closely with the local community to manage traffic impacts; including implementing a one-way system for construction traffic to half the number of construction vehicles on a sensitive local road in response to concerns raised by the community.



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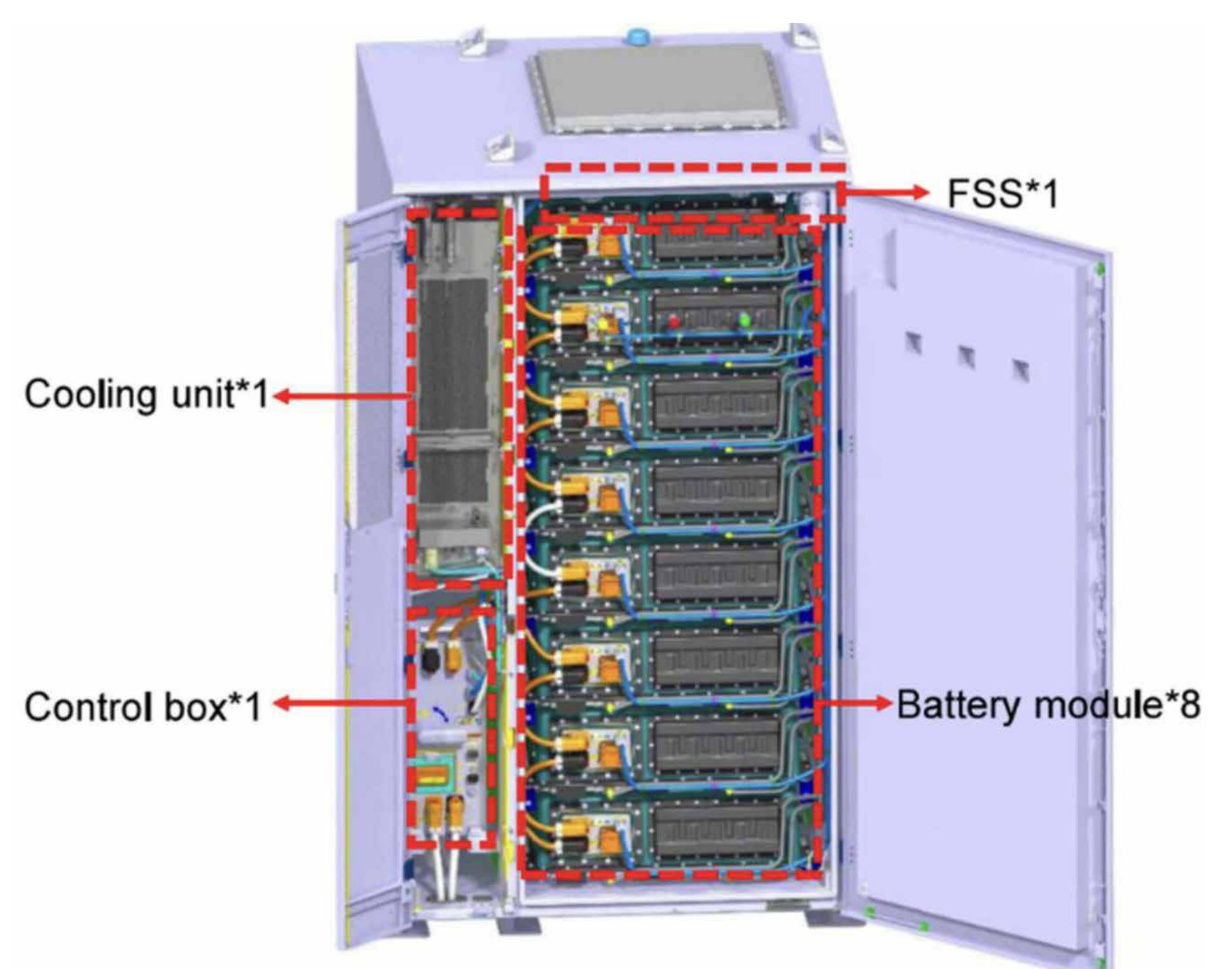
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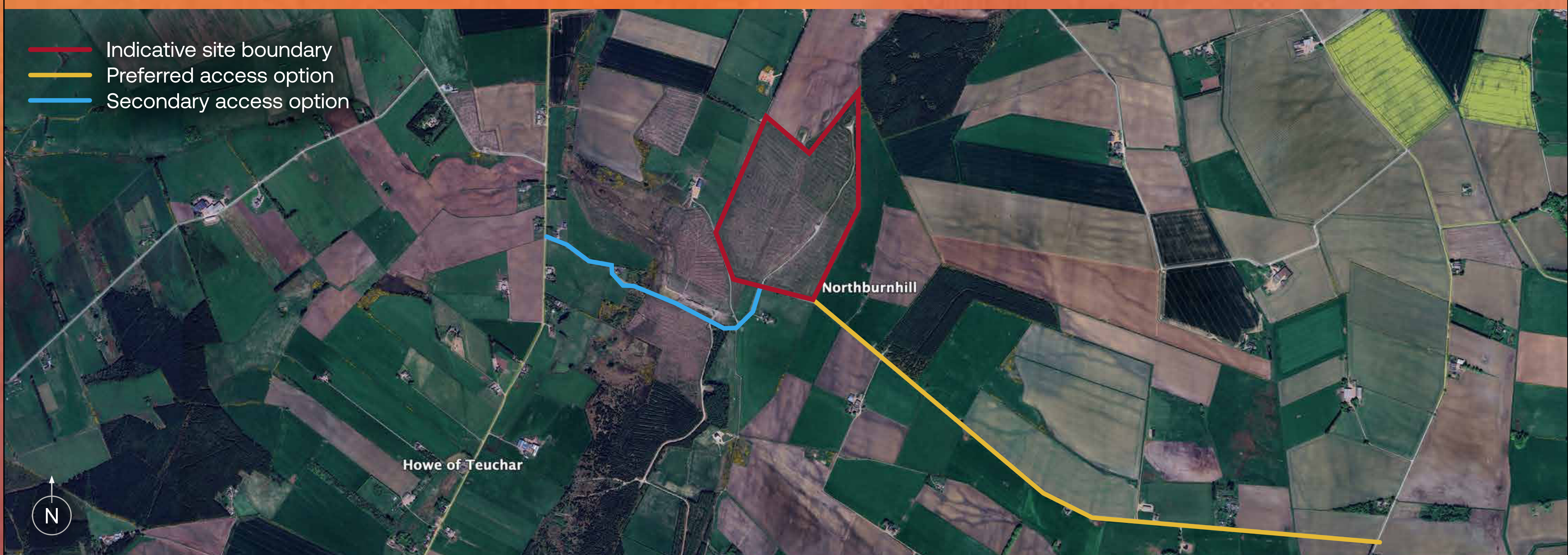
- Noise, dust and vibration controls
- Measures to prevent mud on roads
- Waste management and recycling
- Pollution prevention guidance
- Ecological protection.

We'll work closely with Aberdeenshire Council and other stakeholders to agree the detailed CEMP requirements.

Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP):

Our CTMP will be implemented to effectively manage all construction traffic to and from the site, including:

- Agreed routes for construction vehicles to avoid sensitive areas;
- Agreed construction working hours;
- Details of any road upgrade or widening works if required;
- A procedure for monitoring road conditions and remediation works if required;
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VIEWPOINTS



Viewpoint 1
Minor Road near Berryhill



Viewpoint 3
Minor Road near Sunnyside Lodge



Viewpoint 4
Hillend of Teuchar

PLANNING APPLICATION

To support our planning application, we are proposing to submit the following documents and assessments:

- Ecology Statement
- Ground Condition Risk Assessment
- Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment
- Flood Risk Assessment / Drainage Strategy
- Noise Impact Assessment
- Archaeology and Cultural Heritage Statement
- Peat Depth Survey Report
- Tree Management Report
- Transport Statement and Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan
- Outline Battery Safety Management Plan
- Planning Statement
- Pre-application Consultation Report.

Following submission, these documents will be available to the public via the Energy Consents Unit's website.

Please note that comments made during this pre-application consultation phase are not representations to the Scottish Ministers. Following submission of the planning application to the Energy Consents Unit, there will be an opportunity to make representations directly to the Scottish Ministers.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

We'll continue accepting feedback via post or email until Monday 24th March 2025.

We'll then integrate your feedback into the final planning application and submit this to the Energy Consents Unit in Spring 2025.

After it's submitted, you will have the opportunity to make a representation about the application to the Scottish Ministers, via the Energy Consents Unit.

WANT TO KNOW MORE?



For more information, please visit our website at www.fieldnewdeer.co.uk

If you have any questions or you'd like to provide comments, please do not hesitate to email us at feedback@fieldnewdeer.co.uk.

APPENDIX H – PUBLIC CONSULTATION RESPONSES RECEIVED VIA FEEDBACK FORMS

Table I.1: Copy of responses received via feedback forms

Feedback Form Responses
STRONGLY OBJECT!!
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<p>Sirs,</p> <p>Following your public consultation yesterday, I would like to offer the following feedback :-</p> <p>Flood risk:- At least some of the surface water from your proposed site will ultimately find its way into the Burn of Greens which runs along the side of my garden and house. In the 27 years I have lived here, and at least 50 years prior to that (according to an old neighbour) that burn has never over topped its banks and flooded my property. The new SSEN site (and possibly other yet to be selected feeder sub-station sites) will also be draining into that same burn. I am looking for assurances from all parties that SuDs ponds will be constructed and fully functional BEFORE the natural "sponge" topsoil is disturbed; to avoid the risk of flooding my house both during and after construction. Given our location in the north east of Scotland, I am seeking further assurances from all parties that those SuDs ponds are suitably sized to deal with heavy rainfall combined with rapid snow melt; as this is the usual scenario for peak flow. I would like to see any flood risk assessments carried out by either your contractors or SEPA.</p> <p>Construction:- due to the fragmented nature of the UK energy industry we shall have multiple different companies carrying out concurrent construction of a number of sites associated with the main SSEN sub-station. I would strongly encourage all parties to cooperate on such matters as access road upgrades, timing of deliveries (particularly abnormal loads) and working hours. Surely it must be mutually beneficial to share the cost of road upgrades, and to avoid delayed deliveries due to obstructions from other sites. There is also the consideration of local residents who not only have to contend with construction traffic, but also the comings and goings of the work forces of all active sites at the same time. I would also encourage all parties to include financial penalties in their contracts with third parties for non-compliance with agreed working practices, particularly regarding approved routes for HGVs, but also such things as working hours. At the public meeting I was told that your proposed access for HGVs from the Greeness road is likely to change to the Mains of Greens road. This road is also completely unsuitable for large numbers of HGVs, the most sensible option would be to share the new SSEN access road, however SSEN may not agree. Simply adding a few passing places is not a very good solution, especially given that there is another proposed BESS at Upper Greenfields which would be using the same road for their construction access. I would suggest widening the entire length to accommodate 2 lorries passing and sharing the costs. If this were done then SSEN could avoid building their own separate</p>

Pre-Application Consultation Report

Field New Deer

Feedback Form Responses

road. You might also remind your work force that throwing litter out of their cars is a criminal offence; we saw a massive increase in roadside litter during the construction of the first Newdeer sub-station.

Community benefits:- Obviously these renewable energy projects and associated infrastructure are aimed at improving the environment generally; however the number of sites all in close proximity to the main SSEN sub-station is decimating our immediate environment. Will community project funding be aimed at the community actually affected rather than all going to the surrounding villages. As there is clearly no chance of direct financial compensation for devaluing our properties and destroying our views of open countryside; can we have something tangible, for example an energy fund to give the local residents reduced energy bills.

Safety:- Whilst quite rare, Lithium Ion batteries can suffer from thermal runaway. Not to be confused with "fire", this is an out of control chemical reaction that releases a number of highly toxic compounds including gases, many of which will react with rain fall creating equally harmful compounds that can be spread by wind, and easily fall on to the ground out with the actual site. I think you should consult with the wider community concerning the possible use of SMS alerts in the event of any failure that may result in the risk of any chemical release. As a minimum this would allow people to at least close their windows or leave if they so choose. Under no circumstances consider down playing any potential risks to the wider community in the event of any system failure. I want to see any risk assessments include possible harmful effects on the population out with the immediate area of the installation (say a few miles). Have you done a risk assessment for transporting the batteries to the site along narrow country lanes during construction? In the short and long term it must be remembered that these small country roads are often blocked by snow in winter, which will impede access by emergency services. I also think you should share any comments from the Scottish Fire and Rescue service; particularly regarding the ability of our small (not very local) fire stations to deal with the kind of chemical instances associated with Lithium Ion battery failures.

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The technology relies too much on rare earth metals like lithium. It is unsustainable. The technology is too risky. Risk of damage to the local ecosystem is too great. Tree's are being cut down to make way for this site. This is wrong.

