

## **COTMOOR SOLAR FARM, LAND NORTH OF HALLOUGHTON**

### **SITE ACCESS ARRANGEMENTS**

#### **1. Introduction**

- 1.1 This Note has been prepared on behalf of JBM Solar Projects 6 Ltd. to clarify access arrangements for the Cotmoor Solar Farm on land north of Halloughton (application reference: 20/01242/FULM).
- 1.2 Nottinghamshire County Council Highways consultee comments on the application, dated 16<sup>th</sup> July 2020, refer to the Site access arrangements and possible impact on a Poplar tree on the highways verge.
- 1.3 The comments advocate the retention of this tree and clarification is sought as to access arrangements.
- 1.4 The proposed access will not necessitate the removal of the Poplar tree, which will be retained and protected during the construction phase. In order to ensure protection of the tree, the access from the highway and track have been moved c.1m to the east from the position previously shown.
- 1.5 This is demonstrated on the attached **Swept Path Analysis: Proposed Site Access plan (No. P18-2917 FIGURE 2 Rev A)**. This plan supersedes that included within the Construction Traffic Management Plan, dated July 2020.

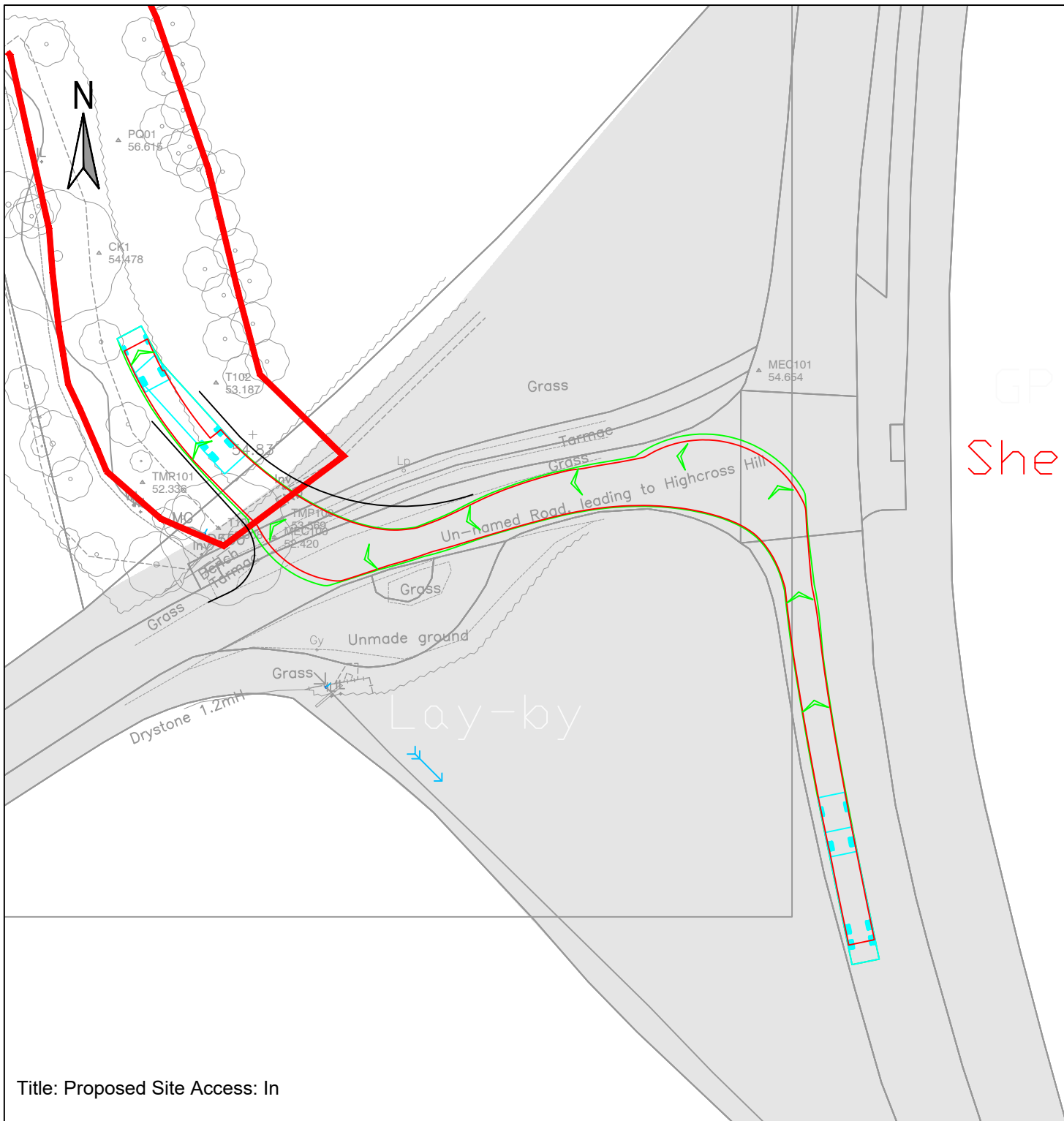
#### **2. Tree Protection**

- 2.1 Attached is **Tree Protection Plan - Highway Access (No. BHA\_665\_03)**, prepared by the Applicant's Arboricultural Consultant, which demonstrates how the Poplar tree and other trees in the vicinity of the access will be retained and protected during construction.
- 2.2 The measures identified include a 'no' dig' access track as it crosses the root protection area of the Poplar tree, erection of tree protection fencing and installation of appropriate signage.
- 2.3 Subject to the measures being incorporated, the Poplar tree would be suitably protected and retained. Conditions can be imposed on any planning permission to require the protection measures to be implemented and, therefore, give certainty that this tree and others in the vicinity would be protected.

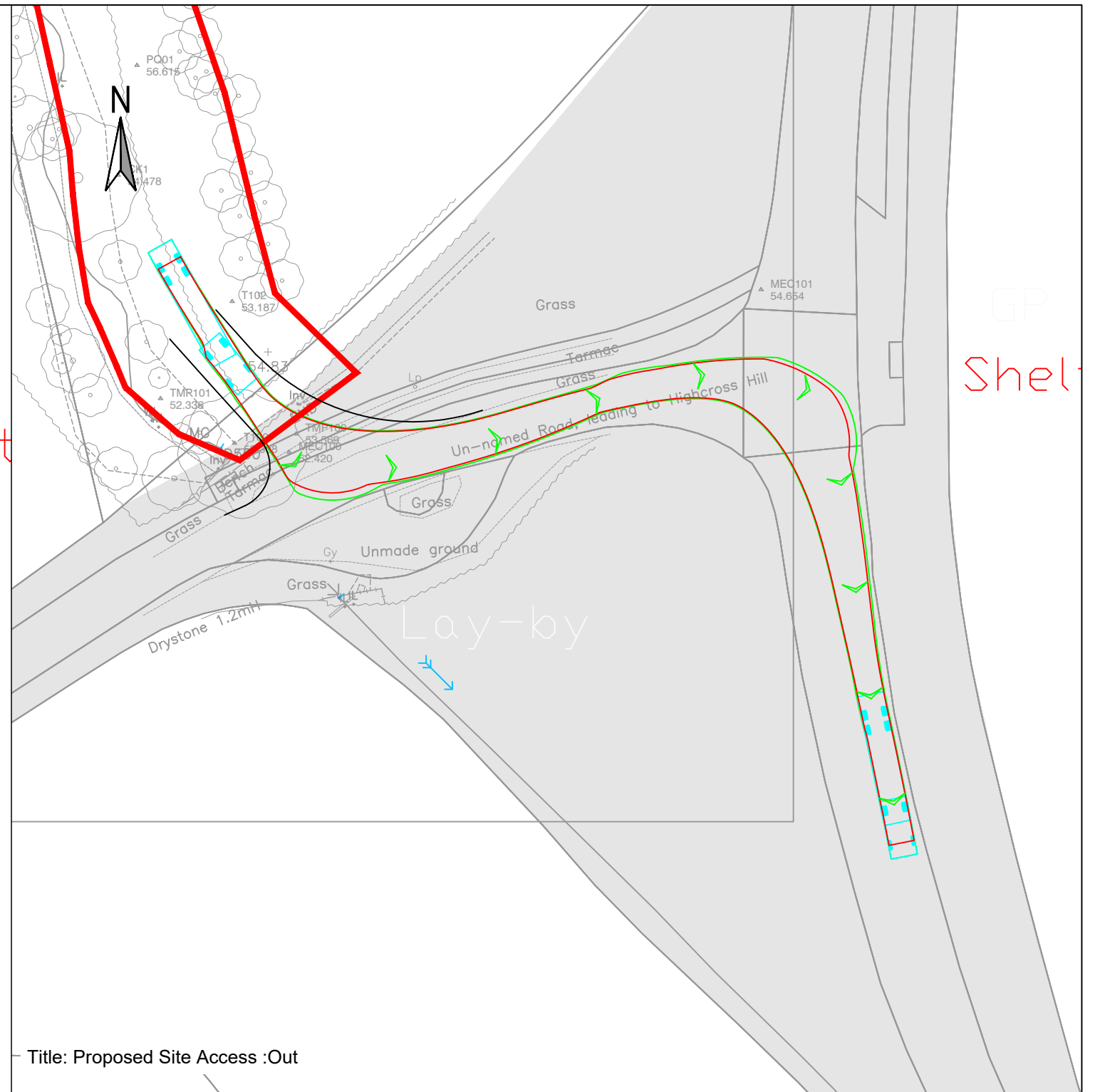
### **3. Selection of Site Access**

- 3.1 The access has been selected as the most preferable option for the Proposed Development. It has been proven to be safe in highways terms, providing adequate visibility, can be provided without significant works or alterations being required and is not within a built up area.
- 3.2 Two alternative locations for the access to the site were considered and discounted:
- 1) The main farm entrance further to the west of the proposed access was not considered preferable to the proposed access due to its location within the built up area of Halloughton, meaning construction vehicles would be required to enter the village and potentially cause disruption to residents.
  - 2) Access via Stubbins Lane, to the north-east of the proposed access, was discounted due to the requirement for significant loss of trees within the thick belt of existing trees on the western side of this road and highway effects. This access option would also have caused disruption to residents living along Stubbins Lane, which is a narrow lane.

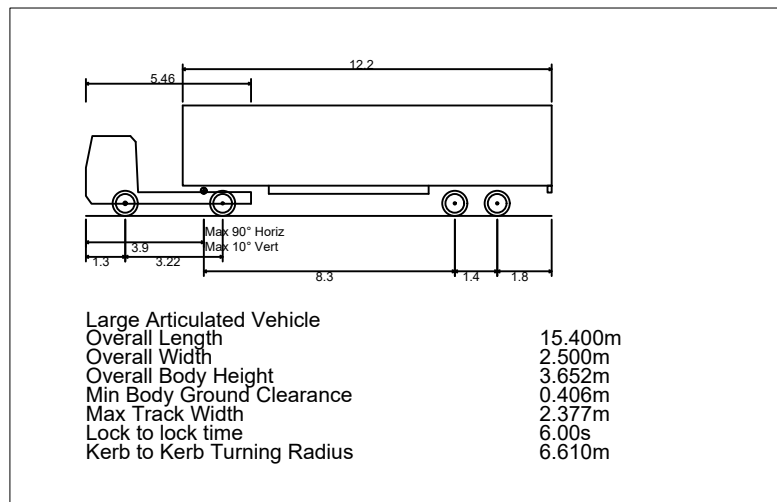




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CLIENT:  
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PROJECT:  
**HALLOUGHTON SOLAR FARM**

SCALE @ A3: <b>1:250</b>	CHECKED: <b>OJS</b>	APPROVED: <b>AJ</b>
DATE: <b>12/03/2020</b>	DESIGN-DRAWN: <b>BB</b>	DRAWING TYPE: <b>SPA</b>

TITLE:  
**SWEPT PATH ANALYSIS:  
PROPOSED SITE ACCESS  
15.4M ARTICULATED VEHICLE**

PROJECT No: <b>P18-2917</b>	DRAWING No: <b>FIGURE 2</b>	REV: <b>A</b>
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