



Rampion 2
WIND FARM



Rampion 2 Project Liaison Group Meeting

13th & 14th June 2023

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1. Review of consultations

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July-Sept 2021 Statutory project-wide consultation

- Over 4,500 viewed our consultation materials online
- Over 1,700 written responses received

Oct/Nov 2022 – Statutory Onshore Consultation

- Over 800 people attended 20 meetings and events (570 attended 4 public exhibitions along cable route)
- Over 400 responses about specific route options

Feb/Mar 2023 – Targeted Onshore Consultation (1d)

- Approx. 50 responses themed around archaeology, an issue on cable route options across the South Downs

April/May 2023 – Bolney National Grid Substation Extension Consultation

- 50 attended Consultation Event at Royal Oak, Wineham
- Limited written feedback on proposals (approx. 25) but no major concerns

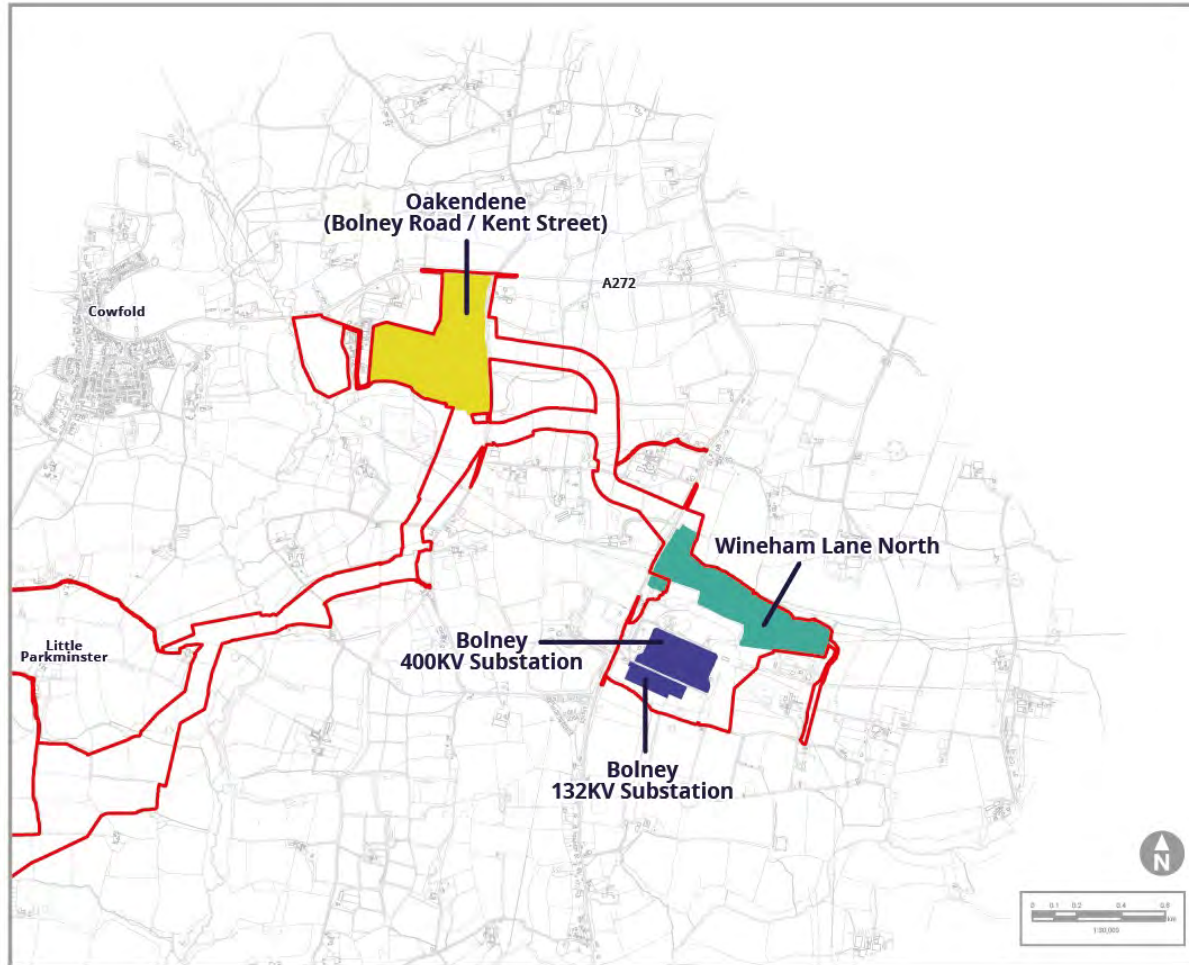
April/May 2023 - Targeted landowner consultations

- To engage with new / changed land interests

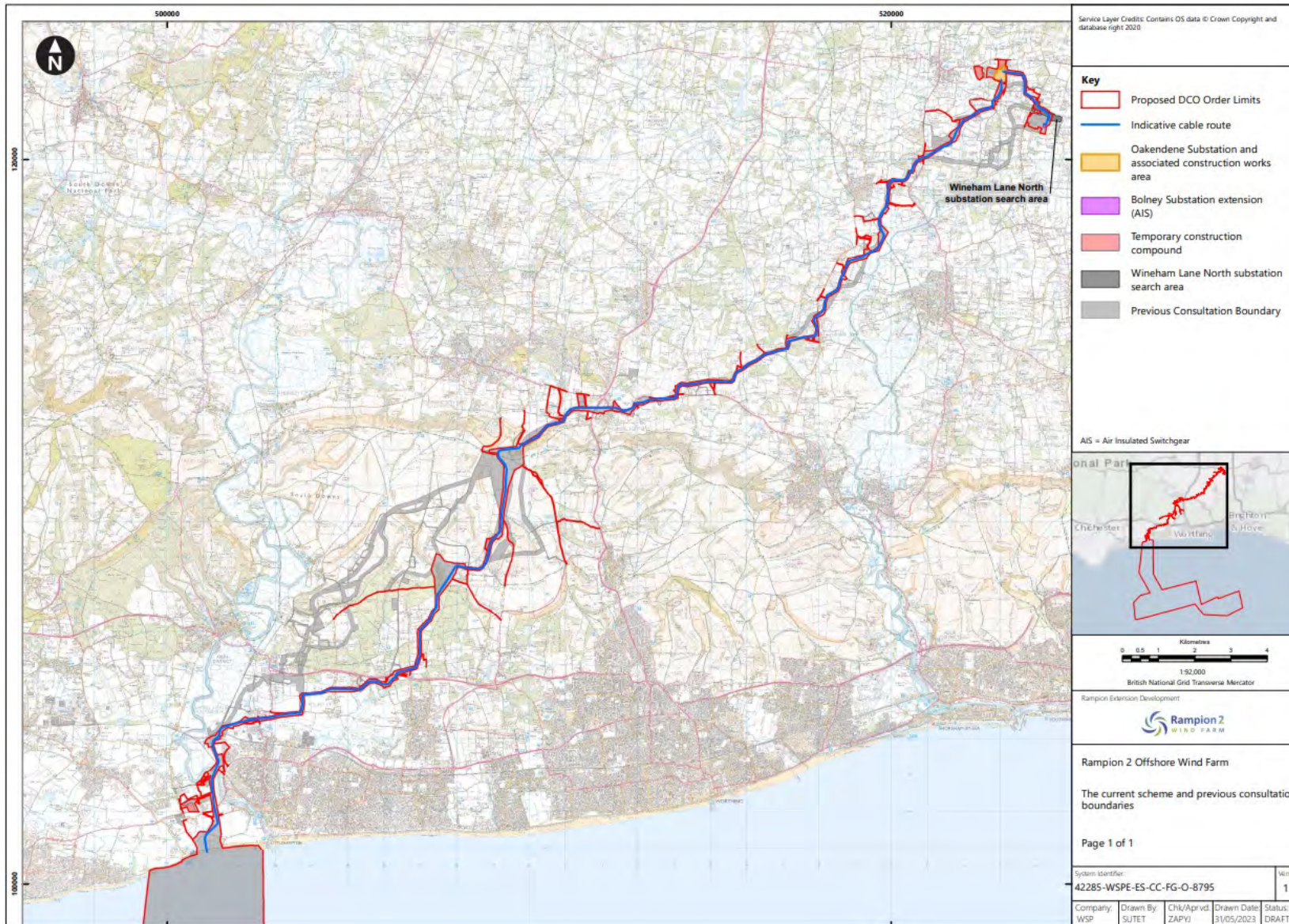


2. Onshore update

Recap of fixed elements – Onshore substation site

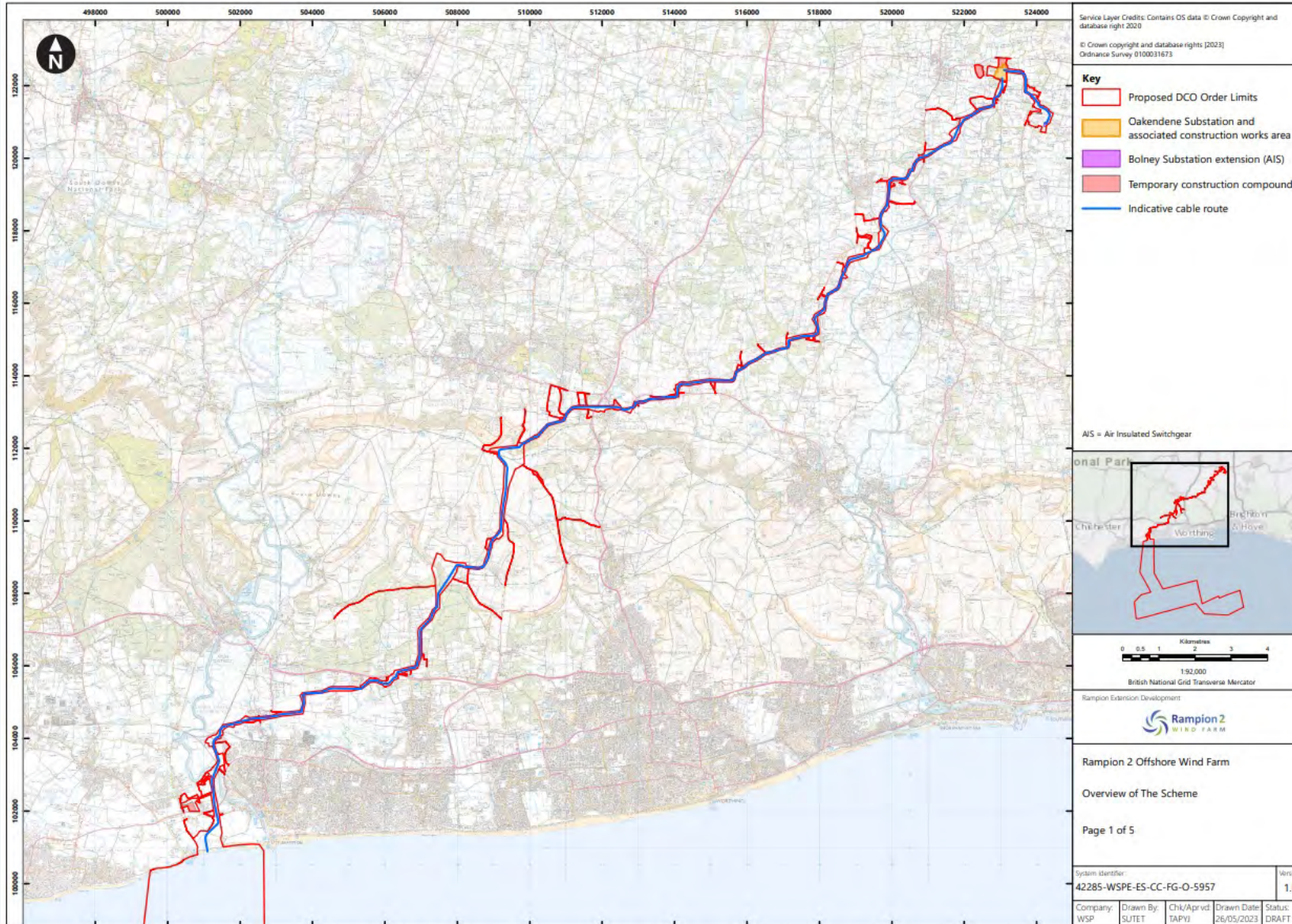


- Bolney Road/Kent Street site (now named 'Oakendene') selected for onshore substation, for various reasons:
- Larger site with more usable shape and orientation
- Greater flexibility during construction and for designing substation giving space for mitigation landscaping and planting
- Direct access off the A272 with no need to use country roads such as Wineham Lane
- Competing land interests at the Wineham Lane North site
- Original cable route options to feed Wineham Lane North site have now been omitted



Onshore cable route selection

- Listened to feedback from our consultations
- Investigated alternative cable route options
- Sought cable route with reduced environmental and community impacts



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Onshore cable route selection

LACR-01 has been selected as our preferred cable route.

- This decision was based on a balanced appraisal, but largely driven by ecology:
 - The original route presented in the PEIR would affect Warningcamp and New Down Local Wildlife Site
 - LACR-02 would affect ancient woodland
 - LACR-01 avoids both of these features
- LACR-01 also avoids potential effects on a water source protection zone, which could not be ruled out from the PEIR route.

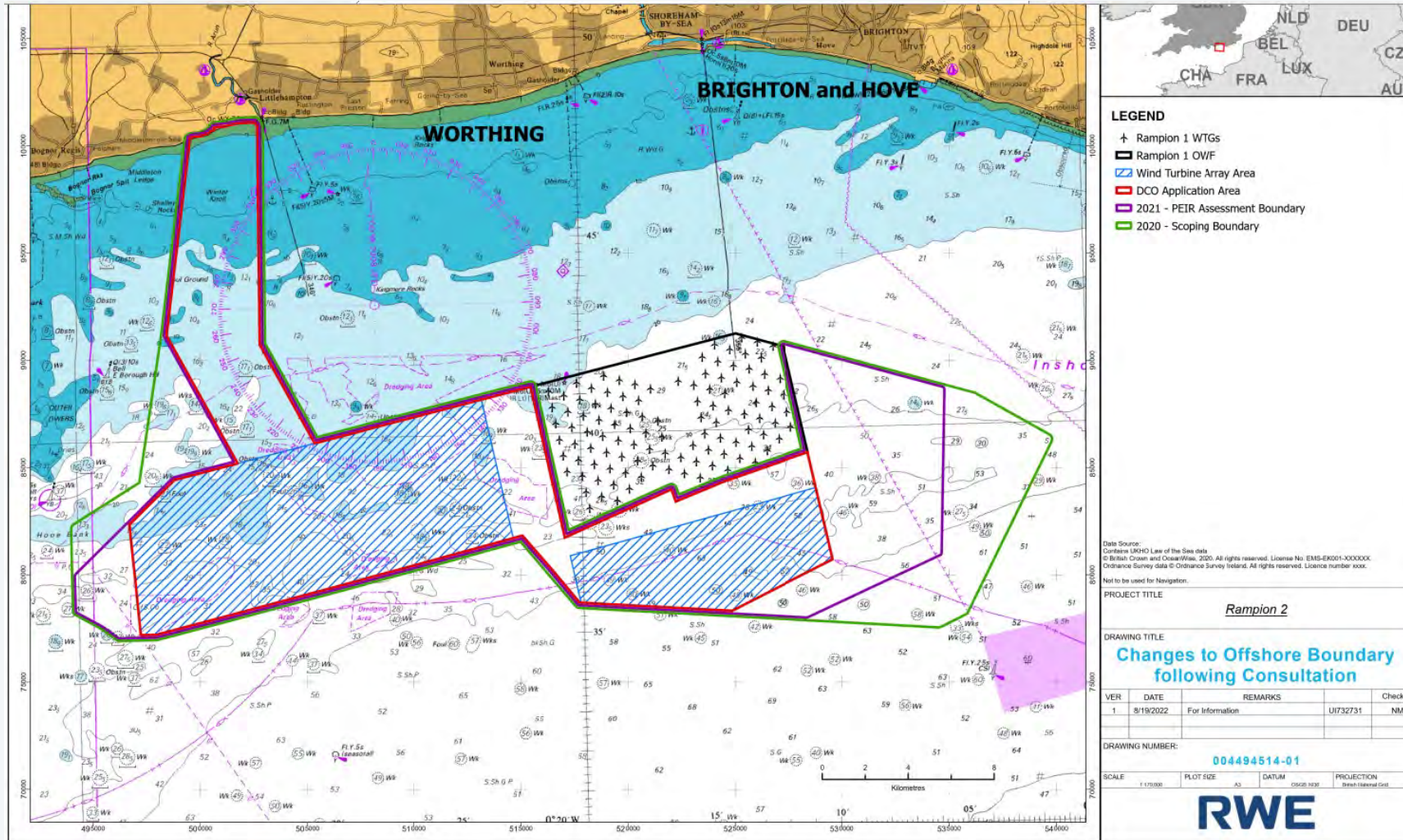
Within LACR-01, our preferred route is LACR-01d.

- This route was best performing for ecology, noise, traffic and impact on businesses.

These decisions will be written up in our DCO application.

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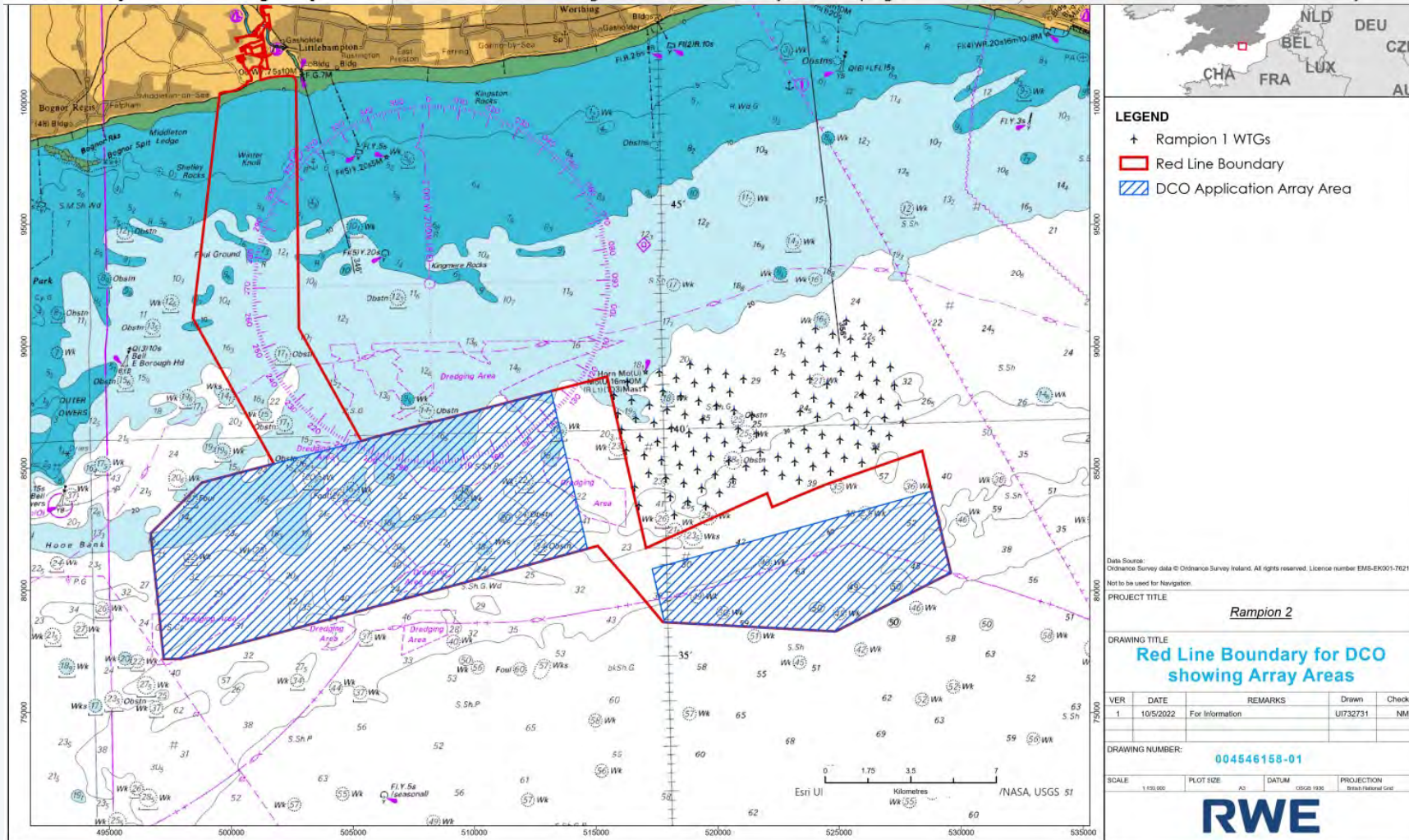
Recap of fixed elements - Offshore



Rampion 2 Offshore Elements:

- Eastern area (previous Round 3 zone 6) and central area (extension zone)
- A large area to the east and southeast of Rampion has been omitted - Reduced proximity to the Heritage Coast
- Western extent - Further 10km² omitted
- Wind farm separation zones - mainly driven by navigation and visual impact.

Offshore maximum design scenario



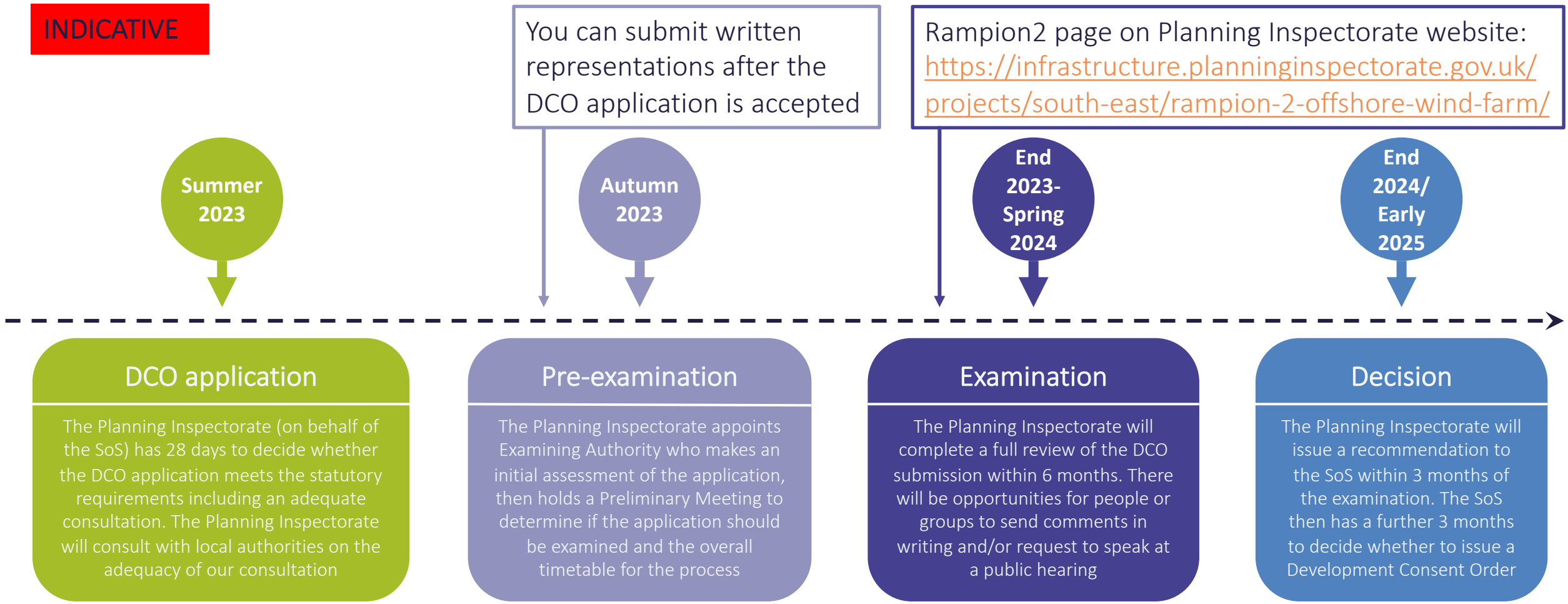
Rampion 2 Offshore MDS:

- Final turbine array area (blue) of 160 km² - around half of the original site area.
- Reduced to a maximum of 90 turbines - 26 fewer than Rampion.
- Fewer than 90 turbines would be required if larger turbines are selected.
- Maximum tip height still 325m to 'futureproof' against likely models available for installation 2027 onwards.
- Still capacity to install 1200 megawatts (MW)

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INDICATIVE



You can submit written representations after the DCO application is accepted

Rampion2 page on Planning Inspectorate website:
<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/south-east/rampion-2-offshore-wind-farm/>

Summer 2023

Autumn 2023

End 2023-Spring 2024

End 2024/Early 2025

DCO application

The Planning Inspectorate (on behalf of the SoS) has 28 days to decide whether the DCO application meets the statutory requirements including an adequate consultation. The Planning Inspectorate will consult with local authorities on the adequacy of our consultation

Pre-examination

The Planning Inspectorate appoints Examining Authority who makes an initial assessment of the application, then holds a Preliminary Meeting to determine if the application should be examined and the overall timetable for the process

Examination

The Planning Inspectorate will complete a full review of the DCO submission within 6 months. There will be opportunities for people or groups to send comments in writing and/or request to speak at a public hearing

Decision

The Planning Inspectorate will issue a recommendation to the SoS within 3 months of the examination. The SoS then has a further 3 months to decide whether to issue a Development Consent Order

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New Rampion 2 Staff

- Umair Patel, Project Manager
- Karen Algate, Senior Consents Manager

Upcoming events

Cowfold Information Event, 21 June 2023 from 4-8pm, Allmond Centre

- Event being held in response to some local concerns regarding potential impacts of the onshore substation at our chosen site at Oakendene, near Cowfold. Advertised & promoted extensively.
- First opportunity to meet face-to-face and opportunity to provide an update on design and mitigation in response to issues raised

Construction and operation

Subject to consent award, earliest construction is expected end 2026 with the project complete and fully operational in 2029/2030 in time to meet UK targets for a 5-fold increase in offshore wind by 2030



Rampion 2 Onshore Substation: Cowfold Information Event



We are holding an information event dedicated to the Cowfold community, where local people are invited to meet members of the Rampion 2 Project Team.

WEDNESDAY 21st JUNE 2023, 4-8pm

The Allmond Centre, Cowfold, RH13 8BL

You will be able to:

- view maps & plans
- see how the design of the onshore substation has evolved
- learn more about how we propose to mitigate impacts on traffic, views & the environment
- take a virtual tour of the Rampion Offshore Wind Farm
- see the project timeline and next steps in the development process

If you have any questions about the event, email us at Rampion2@rwe.com

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