

Technical Appendix 5.3: Setting Assessment

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1.1 Introduction

- 1.1.1 This assessment considers the potential for the Proposed Development to result in impacts upon the settings of heritage assets within 10 km of the Site, to support the assessment of significance as summarised in **Chapter 5: Cultural Heritage (EIAR Volume 2)**. This includes consideration of whether any such change would constitute an adverse impact (diminishment) to those attributes of the assets which directly contribute to their significance rather than simply being an alteration to, or addition of a new element to the existing settings of these assets.
- 1.1.2 The Proposed Development is a renewable energy development comprised of up to eight wind turbines, a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) and associated infrastructure adjacent to Sullom Voe Oil Terminal (SVT) and the Shetland Gas Plant in Shetland, Scotland. The assessment is based on the Proposed Development as described in **Chapter 2: Proposed Development (EIAR Volume 2)**.
- 1.1.3 The Site covers an area of c.303 hectares (ha), located on undulating ground that ranges in elevation from mean high-water level at its northernmost extent by Ay Wick, to 110 m Above Ordnance Datum (AOD) at the Hill of Crooksetter located in the centre of the Site. Towards the southern end of the Site the topography gently undulates between 40 m AOD and 90 m AOD. The slackness of slopes in this part of the Site is associated with a number of lochans including Sand Water, Nugla Water, and the Loch of Bordigarth. The Site also contains a number of burns and catchment channels such as the Aywick Burn and the Burn of Toft. The Site comprises a combination of open heather moorland and grassland on peaty soils which is used for rough grazing.

1.2 Methodology

- 1.2.1 The assessment follows the methodology detailed in **Technical Appendix 5.1: Cultural Heritage Assessment Methodology (EIAR Volume 4)** and follows the statutory framework for heritage in Scotland as outlined in the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997¹ as amended in the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) (Scotland) Act 1997² and the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979³, both of which are modified by the Historic Environment (Amendment) (Scotland) Act 2011⁴. The implications of these Acts with regard to planning policy and other relevant policy are described within National Planning Framework 4 (NPF4)⁵, Historic Environment Policy for Scotland (HEPS)⁶, and the Shetland Islands Council (SIC) Local Development Plan⁷.
- 1.2.2 AOC conforms to the standards of professional conduct outlined in the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists' (CIfA) Code of Conduct⁸, the CIfA Standard and Guidance for Commissioning Work or Providing Consultancy Advice on Archaeology and the Historic Environment⁹, the CIfA Standards and Guidance for Historic Environment Desk-Based Assessments¹⁰, the CIfA Regulations for Professional Conduct¹¹, as well as guidance provided by Historic Environment Scotland (HES)¹².

- 1.2.3 The HES guidance sets out the ways in which setting may contribute to the significance of a heritage asset. It advocates a three-stage approach to assessing impacts upon setting which comprises:
 - Stage 1: identify the historic assets that might be affected by the proposed development;
 - Stage 2: define and analyse the setting by establishing how the surroundings contribute to the ways in which the historic asset or place is understood, appreciated and experienced;
 - Stage 3: evaluate the potential impact of the proposed changes on the setting, and the extent to which any negative impacts can be mitigated¹³.
- 1.2.4 NPF4 indicates that development proposals affecting Scheduled Monuments will only be supported where "significant adverse impacts on the integrity of setting of a scheduled monument are avoided" or "exceptional circumstances have been demonstrated to justify the impact on a scheduled monument and its setting and impacts on the monument or its setting have been minimised"¹⁴. Significant adverse impacts on integrity of setting are judged here to relate to whether a change would adversely affect the asset's key characteristics or elements of setting which contribute to an asset's significance. It is considered that a significant adverse impact upon the integrity of the setting of an asset would only occur where the degree of change that would be represented by the Proposed Development would adversely alter those factors of the monument's setting that contribute to cultural significance such that the understanding, appreciation and experience of an asset are not adequately retained. In terms of effects upon the setting of heritage assets, it is considered that only those effects identified as 'significant' in EIA terms would have the potential to significantly adversely impact upon integrity of setting. Where no EIA significant effect is found it is considered that there would be no significant impact upon the integrity of an asset's setting. This is because for many assets, setting may make a limited contribution to their significance and as such changes would not significantly impact the integrity of their settings.
- 1.2.5 The setting assessment has been informed by site visits undertaken by AOC in June 2024, March 2025, and September 2025. Photographs taken during the site visits and referenced below are presented in **Technical Appendix 5.5: Plates (EIAR Volume 4)**.

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Stage 1 Assessment – Identification of Assets

- 1.3.1 In order to assess the potential for significant effects on cultural heritage assets resulting from the Proposed Development, all designated heritage assets within 5 km of the Site have been identified. Additionally, all designated assets of national importance (including World Heritage Sites, Scheduled Monuments, Category A Listed Buildings, Inventoried Battlefields, and Inventoried Gardens and Designed Landscapes (GDLs) have been identified up to 10 km from the Site.

¹ Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act (1997) (c8). London: UK Government. Available at: <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1997/8/contents> [Accessed 27/01/2026].

² Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) (Scotland) Act (1997) (c9). London: UK Government. Available at: <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1997/9/contents> [Accessed 27/01/2026].

³ Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act (1979) (c46). London: UK Government. Available at: <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1979/46> [Accessed 27/01/2026].

⁴ Historic Environment (Amendment) (Scotland) Act (2011) (c3). London: UK Government. Available at: <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/asp/2011/3/contents> [Accessed 27/01/2026].

⁵ Scottish Government (2023). National Planning Framework 4. Available at: <https://www.gov.scot/publications/national-planning-framework-4/> [Accessed 27/01/2026].

⁶ Historic Environment Scotland (HES) (2019). Historic Environment Policy for Scotland. Available at: <https://www.historicenvironment.scot/archives-and-research/publications/publication/?publicationId=1bcfa7b1-28fb-4d4b-b1e6-aa2500f942e7> [Accessed 27/01/2026].

⁷ Shetland Islands Council (2014). Shetland Local Development Plan. Available at: <https://www.shetland.gov.uk/development-plans-policy/development-plans> [Accessed 27/01/2026].

⁸ Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (CIfA) (2025a). Code of Conduct: professional ethics in archaeology. Available at: https://www.archaeologists.net/sites/default/files/2025-10/Code-of-conduct_revOct-2025.pdf [Accessed 27/01/2026].

⁹ CIfA (2020a). Standard and guidance for Commissioning Work or Providing Consultancy Advice on the Historic Environment. Available at: <https://www.archaeologists.net/sites/default/files/2023-11/CIfA-SandG-Archaeological-Consultancy-2020.pdf> [Accessed 27/01/2026].

¹⁰ CIfA (2020b). Standard and Guidance for Historic Environment Desk-Based Assessment. Available at: <https://www.archaeologists.net/sites/default/files/2023-11/CIfA-SandG-DBA-2020.pdf> [Accessed 27/01/2026].

¹¹ CIfA (2025b). Regulations for Professional Conduct. Available at: https://www.archaeologists.net/sites/default/files/2025-10/Regulations-for-professional-conduct_revOct-2025.pdf [Accessed 27/01/2026].

¹² HES (2020). Managing Change in the Historic Environment: Setting. Available at: <https://www.historicenvironment.scot/archives-and-research/publications/publication/?publicationId=80b7c0a0-584b-4625-b1fd-a60b009c2549> [Accessed 27/01/2026], 8.

¹³ HES (2020). Managing Change in the Historic Environment: Setting. Available at: <https://www.historicenvironment.scot/archives-and-research/publications/publication/?publicationId=80b7c0a0-584b-4625-b1fd-a60b009c2549> [Accessed 27/01/2026], 8.

¹⁴ Scottish Government (2023). National Planning Framework 4. Available at: <https://www.gov.scot/publications/national-planning-framework-4/> [Accessed 27/01/2026], Policy 7h(ii) & (iii), 46.

- 1.3.2
- Additionally, given its location on the highest point of the Shetland Islands, the Ronas Hill chambered cairn (Asset 39) was also included in the assessment.
- 1.3.3
- All assets under consideration in the assessment were reviewed against the information known about their contextual characteristics and against mapping information to identify any assets where views of the Proposed Development from or with the asset may significantly impact the settings of the assets. The assessment has been supported by the Zone of Theoretical Visibility (ZTV) and photomontage/wireline visualisations, as appropriate, which have been used to determine whether an asset should be considered for setting impacts.
- 1.3.4
- All heritage assets considered by this assessment are outlined in **Table 5.3.1** below. All designated assets scoped out of the setting assessment are shown in **Table 5.3.2**.
- 1.3.5
- Where possible, visits were undertaken to every identified heritage asset in order to confirm the potential for setting impacts and any intervening topography, built structures, and/or vegetation was noted. Where an asset was not accessible, the assessment of its setting and any potential impacts has been made from the nearest safe and publicly accessible location and be further informed by information regarding its contextual characteristics as recorded in the regional and national databases, mapping at various scales, aerial photography and satellite imagery. Where vegetation has been listed as a screening factor it should also be noted that the surveys were undertaken in June 2024, March 2025, and September 2025 and that in the autumn and winter months the level of screening provided will likely be lower.
- 1.3.6
- Of the 55 designated heritage assets located within the relevant Study Areas, 25 designated heritage assets were identified as having theoretical visibility of the Proposed Development and so were identified for an assessment of the impact of the Proposed Development on their settings as an outcome of Stage 1. The list of assets within the ZTV is shown in **Table 5.3.1**. This table includes a summary of the assessment of likely effects and, where relevant, an analysis of the setting of the assets and how they contribute to the significance of those assets. **Table 5.3.2** lists those assets outside the ZTV and thus scoped out of the setting assessment. The accompanying figures (**Figure 5.3.1: Designated Heritage Assets and ZTV within 5 km Study Area, Figure 5.3.2: Designated Heritage Assets and ZTV within 10 km Study Area and Figure 5.3.3: Selected Designated Heritage Assets and ZTV up to 40 km from Site**) show the heritage assets included in this assessment and the ZTV.
- 1.3.7
- Following the Scoping Report in March 2025 and subsequent consultation, HES flagged specific concerns regarding the impact of the Proposed Development to the settings of the following designated heritage assets:
 - Fugla Ness broch (Scheduled Monument SM2080, Asset 6);
 - Graven chambered cairn (Scheduled Monument SM3524, Asset 16);
 - Crooksetter Hill south east chambered cairn (Scheduled Monument SM3608, Asset 32);
 - Crooksetter Hill north west chambered cairn (Scheduled Monument SM3608, Asset 35);
 - The Kames coastal defence battery (Scheduled Monument SM10756, Asset 38);
 - Lunna House (Inventoried Garden and Designed Landscape GDL00271, Asset 45); and
 - West Sandwick House (Category A Listed Building LB18648, Asset 46).
- 1.3.8
- These assets are located in close proximity to the Site or were within the scoping ZTV and therefore were identified have greater potential for setting impacts. A site visit was conducted with HES in September 2025 to consider these potential impacts and a detailed assessment of the setting of the assets and the potential impacts is included in the section below.

Stages 2 and 3 Assessment – Analysis of Setting and Potential Impacts

- 1.3.9
- The assessment identified that the Proposed Development would have a **Moderate** level of effect on the following three heritage assets:
 - Graven chambered cairn (Scheduled Monument SM3524, Asset 16);
 - Crooksetter Hill south east chambered cairn (Scheduled Monument SM3576, Asset 32); and
 - Crooksetter Hill north west chambered cairn (Scheduled Monument SM3608, Asset 35).
- 1.3.10
- These levels of effect are considered **Significant** in EIA terms. The assets where a **Moderate** level of effect is predicted are discussed in more detail in **Chapter 5: Cultural Heritage (EIAR Volume 2)**. Assets which have been identified by consultees are also discussed in detail in the Chapter, whether or not a significant effect has been found.
- 1.3.11
- Additionally, the assessment identified that the Proposed Development would have a Minor level of effect on the setting of nine heritage assets, a Negligible or Neutral level of effect on the setting of 10 heritage assets, and no effect on the setting of three heritage assets. These level of effects are considered to be **Not Significant** in EIA terms. The assessment of these assets is presented in **Table 5.3.1**.

Table 5.3.1: Designated Heritage Assets within the ZTV Considered for Setting Impacts

Asset No.	Asset Name, Type & NHRE Reference	Study Area	No of Turbines Visible in ZTV	Distance to Nearest Turbine	Sensitivity	Magnitude of Impact	Level of Effect	Setting Assessment
1	Busta, standing stone 100 m E of Staneside (Scheduled Monument, SM2028)	10 km	8	11.2 km SW of T01	High	Negligible	Minor	The standing stone is located on relatively low-lying ground on the north west shore of Busta Voe c.11.2 km south west of the nearest turbine and would theoretically have visibility of eight turbines. The position of standing stones are believed to be deliberately chosen to take advantage of routeways, views, and intervisibility with other contemporary monuments. This monument dominates the head of Busta Voe on what was probably an important route-way as Sullom Voe lies to the north, across a short land bridge only 0.5 km wide, and offers access northwards to the east coast of the Mainland. The monument also lies within a concentration of other prehistoric monuments, including three cairns to the south west that can be seen from this monument, views of which would likely form key characteristics of the monument's setting. Due to its location only the tips of the turbines would be visible and would not interfere with any of the intervisibility with other monuments, and would be seen at a distance that would be beyond those key characteristics of the asset's setting which contribute to the ability to understand, appreciate and experience its significance. There would be no significant adverse impact upon the integrity of the asset's setting.
5	Head of Brough, broch, West Yell (Scheduled Monument, SM2071)	10 km	8	7.5 km NE of T04	High	Low	Minor	The broch is located close to the shore of West Yell, c.7.5 km north east of the nearest turbine. Although unable to access at the time of the site visit, the wider vicinity of the asset was visited and based on that it is likely the broch would have visibility of the turbines. The defensive position of the broch and the strategic position overlooking the Yell Sound are key characteristics which contribute to the broch's significance. As a broch, it is likely that the monument had intervisibility with other brochs in the area, although the turbines would not interfere with this intervisibility with views between these brochs. The Proposed Development would therefore not impact these key views or affect the ability to understand, appreciate, and experience the contribution that setting makes to the monument's overall significance. There would be no significant adverse impact upon the integrity of the asset's setting.
6	Fugla Ness, broch 330 m NNW of (Scheduled Monument, SM2080)	1 km	8	1.9 km E of T05	High	Low	Minor	Assessed in Chapter 5: Cultural Heritage (EIAR Volume 2)
7	Holm of Copister, broch 850 m SW of Southernness (Scheduled Monument, SM2091)	5 km	8	5.0 km E of T07	High	Low	Minor	The Scheduled Monument is located to the east of the Site c.5.1 km from the nearest proposed turbine theoretical visibility of eight turbines. The wirelines/photomontages (Figure 5.8a-f: SM2091 CHVP2b: Holm of Copister broch – photomontage (EIAR Volume 3b)) show how the turbines would appear in views from the tip of the Holm of Copister peninsular 20 m to the north of the broch. The broch's setting is based on its function as a defensive monument located on the islet south east of the Holm of Copister. The broch has extensive views across the Yell Sound of the Mainland and other islands within the Sound, particularly to the south, south east and south west. Intervisibility with other broadly contemporary brochs may have also been important and forms a key characteristic of the broch's setting, contributing to its significance. The Holm of Copister broch has clear intervisibility between the Infield broch (Asset 4) to the south west and the Fulga Ness broch (Asset 6) to the west. The turbines would appear in the backdrop behind the Fugla Ness broch in one of the key views from the west of the Holm of Copister broch, although they would not interfere with the intervisibility between the two monuments and the understanding and appreciation of the Holm of Copister broch and its relationship with the Fugla Ness broch would not be substantially impacted. The Proposed Development would therefore not impact these key views or affect the ability to understand, appreciate, and experience the contribution that setting makes to the monument's overall significance. There would be no significant adverse impact upon the integrity of the asset's setting.
8	Giant's Grave, standing stones and cairn, Beorgs of Housetter (Scheduled Monument, SM2200)	10 km	8	9.2 km NW of T04	High	Negligible	Minor	This monument is located on low ground at the base of the Beorgs of Housetter ridge. As a burial monument and standing stone the monuments setting is based on its relationship with the surrounding monuments (Assets 27 and 34) and low position with visibility towards the sea. Due to its location only the tips of the turbines would be visible through a small corridor of low ground in views towards Colla Firth, and at a distance that would be beyond those aspects of the asset's setting which contribute to the ability to understand, appreciate and experience its significance. There would be no significant adverse impact upon the integrity of the asset's setting.
9	Chapel Knowe, earthworks, church and graves 40 m WNW of Lunna Church (Scheduled Monument, SM2691)	10 km	6	9.8 km SE of T07	Medium	Low	Minor	This monument is located on a narrow saddle of land on the West Lunna peninsula overlooking West Lunna Voe, c.9.8 km south east of the nearest turbine and with theoretical visibility of six turbines. The monument is located within the Lunna House GDL (Asset 45). The monument's setting and key views relate to its immediate environs and the views of the West Lunna Voe. Although weather conditions prevented an accurate assessment of the visibility during the site visit, the ZTV and position of the monument suggests that the turbines would be visible, though mostly only as turbine tips. The Proposed Development would therefore not impact the key views or affect the ability to understand, appreciate, and experience the contribution that setting makes to the monument's overall significance. There would be no significant adverse impact upon the integrity of the asset's setting.

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Asset No.	Asset Name, Type & NHRE Reference	Study Area	No of Turbines Visible in ZTV	Distance to Nearest Turbine	Sensitivity	Magnitude of Impact	Level of Effect	Setting Assessment
16	Graven, chambered cairn 650 m SW of (Scheduled Monument, SM3524)	5 km	8	3.9 km SW of T08	High	Medium	Moderate	Assessed in Chapter 5: Cultural Heritage (EIAR Volume 2) .
19	Auchensalt, burnt mound 85 m E of (Scheduled Monument, SM3556)	1 km	6	1.4 km E of T07	Low	Low	Neutral	This burnt mound is located c.1.4 km to the east of the nearest turbine on the shore of Yell Sound. The significance of the burnt mound is derived primarily from its intrinsic characteristics and location close to a nearby water source and it is judged to be of low sensitivity to changes in its setting beyond its immediate functional setting. Whilst the proximity of the mound to the Site means there would be some visibility of the turbines, this would be beyond those aspects of the asset's setting that contribute to the ability to understand, appreciate, or experience the asset's overall significance. There would be no significant adverse impact upon the integrity of the asset's setting.
20	Norden, burnt mound 160 m ESE of (Scheduled Monument, SM3557)	1 km	1	1.4 km E of T07	Low	Low	Neutral	This burnt mound is located c.1.4 km to the east of the nearest turbine on the shore of Yell Sound. The significance of the burnt mound is derived primarily from its intrinsic characteristics and location close to a nearby water source and it is judged to be of low sensitivity to changes in its setting beyond its immediate functional setting. Whilst the proximity of the mound to the Site means there will be some visibility of the turbines, this would be beyond those aspects of the assets setting that contribute to the ability to understand, appreciate, or experience the asset's overall significance. There would be no significant adverse impact upon the integrity of the asset's setting.
22	Skeo Knowe, mound 200 m E of Nissetter (Scheduled Monument, SM3562)	10 km	8	5.4 km W of T03	Medium	Low	Minor	This mound is located c.5.4 km to the west of the nearest turbine. The mound may be natural in origin, but a cinerary urn has been reported to have been found suggesting it has been used as a burial monument. It is located on low ground near a beach overlooking the Gluss Voe with limited visibility beyond, although the north west Crooksetter cairn (Asset 35) is just about visible to the south west. Whilst the location of the mound means there will be some visibility of the turbines, this would be beyond those aspects of the assets setting that contribute to the ability to understand, appreciate, or experience the asset's overall significance. There would be no significant adverse impact upon the integrity of the asset's setting.
25	Mangaster, chambered cairn 270 m W of (Scheduled Monument, SM3566)	10 km	8	10.3 km SW of T01	High	Negligible	Minor	This much-reduced cairn is located on the slope of a hill c.10.3 km south west of the nearest turbine. The key characteristics of its setting are based on its location on high ground with intervisibility between other contemporary burial monuments, particularly to the south east. Although weather conditions prevented an accurate assessment of the visibility during the site visit, the surrounding topography and distance to the Site suggests that only the tips of the turbines would be visible and a distance that would be beyond those aspects of the asset's setting which contribute to the ability to understand, appreciate and experience its significance. There would be no significant adverse impact upon the integrity of the asset's setting.
26	Meishie O' Stanes, two cairns 120 m N of Collafirth Pier (Scheduled Monument, SM3568)	10 km	8	8.5 km NW of T04	High	Negligible	Minor	These two cairns are located on the slope of a small hill c.8.5 km north west of the nearest turbine. The cairns setting is based on their location on relatively low lying ground with views to the immediate south over the Colla Firth. Although weather conditions prevented an accurate assessment of the visibility during the site visit, the surrounding topography and distance to the Site suggests that only the tips of the turbines would be visible through a narrow corridor across the Colla Firth and at a distance that would be beyond those aspects of the asset's setting which contribute to the ability to understand, appreciate and experience its significance. There would be no significant adverse impact upon the integrity of the asset's setting.
27	Beorgs of Housetter, chambered cairn 730 m NW of Setter House (Scheduled Monument, SM3569)	10 km	8	9.2 km NW of T04	High	Low	Minor	This cairn is located on the peak of the Beorgs of Housetter ridge, c.9.2 km north west of the nearest turbine. Although unable to visit at the time of the site visit due to high winds, views were assessed from the base of the ridge, and its setting was judged to be based on its location on a peak of high ground and its intervisibility with other contemporary monuments, including Assets 8 and 34 to the immediate east at the base of the ridge. The location of the cairn on high ground and the ZTV indicates that the cairn would have visibility of the Proposed Development, though at such a distance that only the turbine tips are likely to be visible. Visibility of turbine tips would constitute an alteration to the asset's baseline setting, but which would not affect the ability to understand, appreciate or experience the contribution that setting makes to the asset's overall significance. There would be no significant adverse impact upon the integrity of the asset's setting.
32	Crooksetter Hill, chambered cairn at SE summit of (Scheduled Monument, SM3576)	Site	8	0.9 km S of T08	High	Medium	Moderate	Assessed in Chapter 5: Cultural Heritage (EIAR Volume 2)
33	Punds Water, house and enclosure to W of, Mangaster (Scheduled Monument, SM3577)	10 km	8	10.3 km SW of T01	Low	Negligible	Neutral	The monument consists of the remains of a prehistoric house and an associated enclosure wall, cutting off a promontory on the west side of Punds Water, c.10.3 km south west of the nearest turbine. The significance of the monument is derived primarily from its intrinsic characteristics and location close to a nearby water source and it is judged to be of low sensitivity to changes in its setting beyond its immediate functional setting. Although unable to access at the time of the site visit, its setting and visibility was assessed from the nearby Mangaster cairn (Asset 25). The location of the monument and ZTV indicates there will be some visibility of the turbines, this would be beyond those aspects of the assets setting that contribute to the ability to understand,

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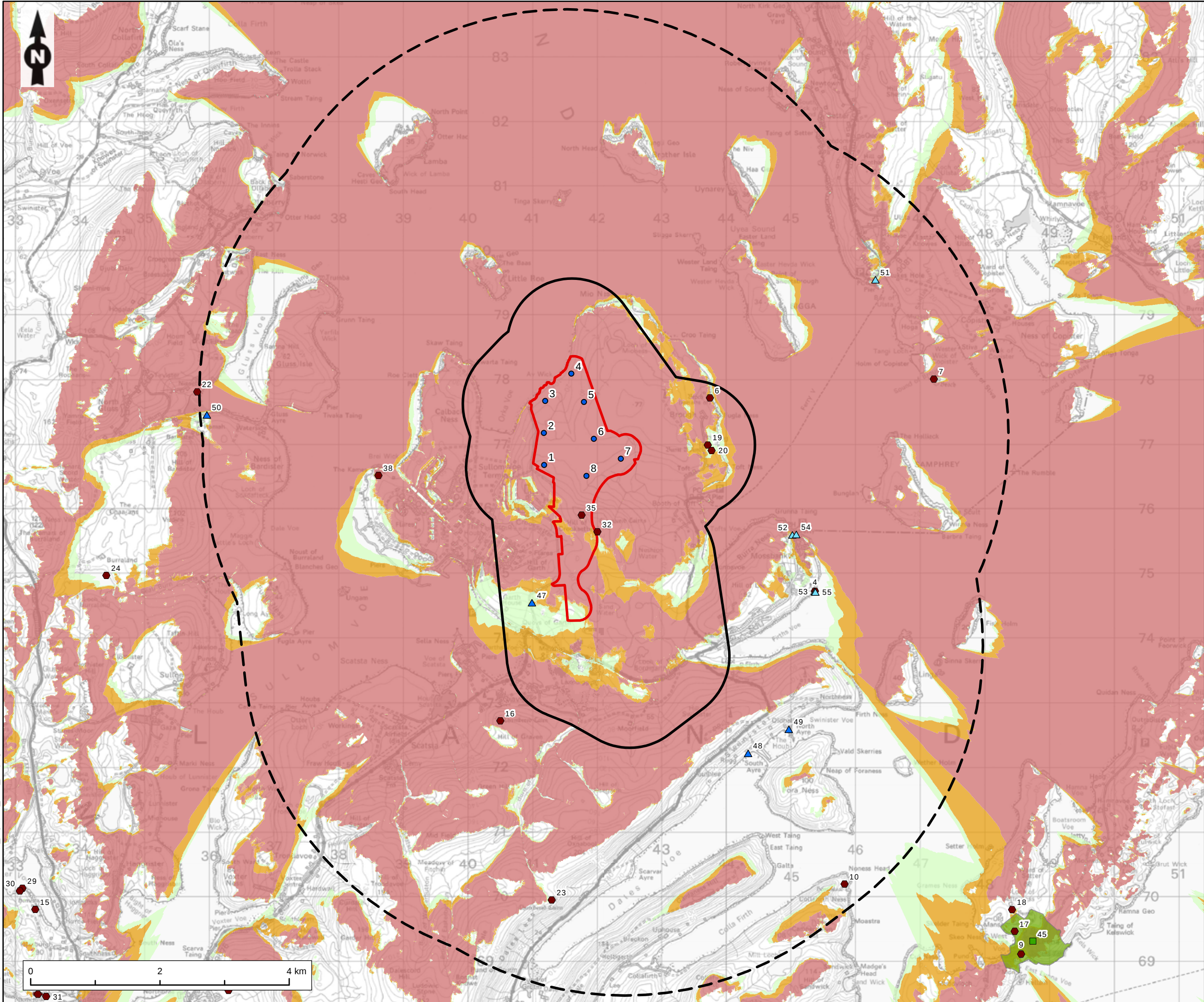
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								appreciate, or experience the asset's overall significance. There would be no significant adverse impact upon the integrity of the asset's setting.
34	Trowie Knowe chambered cairn (Scheduled Monument, SM3578)	10 km	8	9.2 km NW of T04	High	Negligible	Minor	This cairn is located on low ground at the base of the Beorgs of Housetter ridge c.9.2 km north west of the nearest turbine. Its setting is based on its relationship with the immediate surrounding monuments (Assets 27 and 8) and low position with visibility towards the sea. Due to its location only the tips of the turbines would be visible through a small corridor of low ground in views towards Colla Firth, and at a distance that would be beyond those aspects of the asset's setting which contribute to the ability to understand, appreciate and experience its significance. There would be no significant adverse impact upon the integrity of the asset's setting.
35	Crooksetter Hill, chambered cairn near NW summit of (Scheduled Monument, SM3608)	Site	8	0.6 km S of T08	High	Medium	Moderate	Assessed in Chapter 5: Cultural Heritage (EIAR Volume 2)
38	The Kames, coastal defence battery 100 m SE of, Calback Ness (Scheduled Monument, SM10756)	5 km	8	2.6 km W of T01	Medium	Low	Minor	Assessed in Chapter 5: Cultural Heritage (EIAR Volume 2)
39	Ronas Hill, chambered cairn (Scheduled Monument, SM2043)	10 km +	8	12.1 km NW of T03	High	Negligible	Minor	This cairn is located on the peak of Ronas Hill at the highest point of the Shetland Islands c.12.1 km from the nearest turbine. The cairn's location means it has long-range views across most of the Shetland Mainland, particularly to the north east, south and south east. Its intervisibility with other contemporary burial monuments, particularly the Beorgs of Housetter cairn (Asset 27), can also be considered to be a key characteristic of its setting. The Proposed Development would be visible in these views, although this view currently includes the modern Sullom Voe oil terminals and both would be seen at some distance (Figure 5.13a-f: CHVP7: SM2043 Ronas Hill chambered cairn (EIAR Volume 3b)). The Proposed Development would therefore be beyond those aspects of the asset's setting which contribute to the ability to understand, appreciate and experience its significance. There would be no significant adverse impact upon the integrity of the asset's setting.
45	Lunna House (Garden & Designed Landscape, GDL00271)	10 km	8	9.3 km SE of T07	Medium	Low	Minor	Assessed in Chapter 5: Cultural Heritage (EIAR Volume 2)
47	Garth, Pony Pund, including Gates, and Adjoining Outbuildings (Category B Listed Building, LB44527)	1 km	1	2.1 km S of T01	Low	Medium	Minor	This Category B Listed Building is located c.2.1 km to the south of the nearest turbine with theoretical visibility of one turbine, the rest being screened by the surrounding topography. The significance of the Listed Building is derived primarily from its intrinsic characteristics and immediate surrounding and so is judged to be of low sensitivity to changes in its setting. Whilst the proximity of the mound to the Site means there would be some visibility of the turbines, this would be beyond those aspects of the assets setting that contribute to the ability to understand, appreciate, or experience the asset's overall significance.
50	The Haa, Bardister, Ollaberry (Category B Listed Building, LB44562)	5 km	8	5.3 km W of T03	Medium	None	None	There would be no visibility of the Proposed Development from this Listed Building due to the surrounding topography, vegetation, and other structures.
51	Ulsta, Pier House (Category C Listed Building, LB18679)	5 km	6	4.8 km NE of T03	Medium	Low	Minor	This Category C Listed Building is located in Ulsta c.4.8 km north east of the nearest turbine with theoretical visibility of six turbines. These turbines would be visible on the other side of the Yell Sound, although the setting of the building is primarily based on its location and immediate views of the Ulsta pier and docks. Therefore the Proposed Development would not impact the key views or affect the ability to understand, appreciate, and experience the contribution that setting makes to the Listed Building's overall significance.
52	Mossbank, Erlangen including Garden Wall (Category C Listed Building, LB44529)	5 km	8	3.0 km SE of T07	Low	None	None	There would be no visibility of the Proposed Development from this Listed Building due to the surrounding built-up environment of Mossbank.
54	Mossbank, Mossbank Haa, including Outbuildings and Wall (Category C Listed Building, LB44531)	5 km	8	3.0 km SE of T07	Low	None	None	There would be no visibility of the Proposed Development from this Listed Building due to the surrounding built-up environment of Mossbank.

Table 5.3.2: Designated Heritage Assets Scoped Out of Setting Assessment – TA Chapter

Asset No.	Asset Name, Type & NHRE Reference	Study Area	Distance to Nearest Turbine	Sensitivity	Reason for Scoping Out of Assessment
2	Punds Water, chambered cairn 60 m S of, Mangaster (Scheduled Monument, SM2042)	10 km	10.3 km SW of T01	High	Outwith ZTV.
3	Burra Voe, broch 70 m SSE of Wester Ayre (Scheduled Monument, SM2052)	10 km	9.8 km E of T04	High	Outwith ZTV.
4	Infield, broch 215 m SE of (Scheduled Monument, SM2058)	5 km	3.7 km SE of T07	High	Outwith ZTV.
10	Collafirth Ness, house 150 m S of Noness Head (Scheduled Monument, SM3465)	5 km	7.4 km SE of T08	Medium	Outwith ZTV.
11	Burravoe, chambered cairn & cairn 470 m NE of, Brae (Scheduled Monument, SM3469)	10 km	10.4 km SW of T01	High	Outwith ZTV.
12	Orbister, prehistoric house 230 m SSE of (Scheduled Monument, SM3471)	10 km	9.9 km W of T01	Medium	Outwith ZTV.
13	Orbister House, burnt mound 155 m ESE of (Scheduled Monument, SM3472)	10 km	9.9 km W of T01	Low	Outwith ZTV.
14	Isleburgh, prehistoric house and enclosures 760 m SSW of (Scheduled Monument, SM3486)	10 km	11.2 km SW of T01	Medium	Outwith ZTV.
15	Islesburgh, prehistoric houses 560 m and 685 m NNW of (Scheduled Monument, SM3487)	10 km	10.4 km SW of T01	Medium	Outwith ZTV.
17	Lunna, burnt mound 230 m W of (Scheduled Monument, SM3551)	10 km	9.3 km SE of T07	Low	Outwith ZTV.
18	Lunna, two burnt mounds 400 m NW of (Scheduled Monument, SM3555)	10 km	9.3 km SE of T07	Low	Outwith ZTV.
21	Ladie Hill, cairn 325 m E of 1 Gossaford (Scheduled Monument, SM3558)	10 km	9.5 km SW of T01	High	Outwith ZTV.
23	Hill of Dale, chambered cairn (Scheduled Monument, SM3564)	5 km	6.6 km S of T08	High	Outwith ZTV.
24	Burraland, broch 350 m SSE of (Scheduled Monument, SM3565)	10 km	6.9 km W of T01	High	Outwith ZTV.
28	Haa, Skelberry, burnt mound 310 m NNE of (Scheduled Monument, SM3570)	10 km	10.1 km NW of T04	Low	Outwith ZTV.
29	Mangaster Voe, prehistoric house 610 m NW of Innbanks (Scheduled Monument, SM3571)	10 km	10.4 km SW of T01	Medium	Outwith ZTV.
30	Mangaster Voe, prehistoric house 630 m NW of Innbanks (Scheduled Monument, SM3572)	10 km	10.4 km SW of T01	Medium	Outwith ZTV.
31	Isleburgh, chambered cairn 745 m SSW of (Scheduled Monument, SM3573)	10 km	11.2 km SW of T01	High	Outwith ZTV.
36	Burravoe, broch on NW promontory, Brae (Scheduled Monument, SM3657)	10 km	11.0 km SW of T08	High	Outwith ZTV.
37	Vidlin, broch at W end of Ayre of Vidlin (Scheduled Monument, SM6073)	10 km	12.7 km SE of T08	High	Outwith ZTV.
40	Sae Breck, broch 510 m NW of Garderhouse (Scheduled Monument, SM2064)	40 km	20.1 km W of T02	High	The distance between the Proposed Development and the broch is likely to prevent any visibility or interferences with intervisibility with other brochs and forts, at a distance that would be beyond those aspects of the asset's setting which contribute to the ability to understand, appreciate and experience its significance.
41	Loch of Huxter, broch (Scheduled Monument, SM2076)	40 km	30.1 km SW of T08	High	The distance between the Proposed Development and the broch is likely to prevent any visibility or interferences with intervisibility with other brochs and forts, at a distance that would be beyond those aspects of the asset's setting which contribute to the ability to understand, appreciate and experience its significance.
42	Hog Sound, fort (Scheduled Monument, SM5368)	40 km	20.5 km SE of T09	High	The distance between the Proposed Development and the fort is likely to prevent any visibility or interferences with intervisibility with other brochs and forts, at a distance that would be beyond those aspects of the asset's setting which contribute to the ability to understand, appreciate and experience its significance.
43	Ness, promontory fort 120 m NNW of, Bay of Garth (Scheduled Monument, SM5540)	40 km	26.8 km SW of T08	High	The distance between the Proposed Development and the fort is likely to prevent any visibility or interferences with intervisibility with other brochs and forts, at a distance that would be beyond those aspects of the asset's setting which contribute to the ability to understand, appreciate and experience its significance.
44	Tounafielie, promontory fort, Papa Stour (Scheduled Monument, SM6389)	40 km	29.9 km SW of T08	High	The distance between the Proposed Development and the fort is likely to prevent any visibility or interferences with intervisibility with other brochs and forts, at a distance that would be beyond those aspects of the asset's setting which contribute to the ability to understand, appreciate and experience its significance.
46	West Sandwick, North Haa (West Sandwick House), including Garden Walls, Gates and Gatepiers, Walled Garden, and Pier (Category A Listed Building, LB18648)	10 km	10.3 km NE of T04	Medium	Assessed in Chapter 5: Cultural Heritage (EIAR Volume 2)
48	Swinster, Pony Pund (Category B Listed Building, LB44533)	5 km	5.0 km SE of T08	Low	Outwith ZTV.
49	Swinister, Swinister Old Haa, including Wall (Category B Listed Building, LB44534)	5 km	5.0 km SE of T07	Medium	Outwith ZTV.

53	Mossbank, Mossbank Bod (Category C Listed Building, LB44530)	5 km	3.7 km SE of T07	Low	Outwith ZTV.
55	Mossbank, Mossbank Lighthouse (Category C Listed Building, LB44532)	5 km	3.7 km SE of T07	Medium	Outwith ZTV.

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Legend

- Application Boundary
- Proposed Turbine
- 1km Study Area
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- Scheduled Monument
- Inventoried Garden & Designed Landscape
- Listed Building - Category B
- Listed Building - Category C
- Garden & Designed Landscape Extent

Zone of Theoretical Visibility (ZTV)

Number of Turbines Theoretically Visible

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
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Designated Heritage Assets and ZTV within 5 km Study Area

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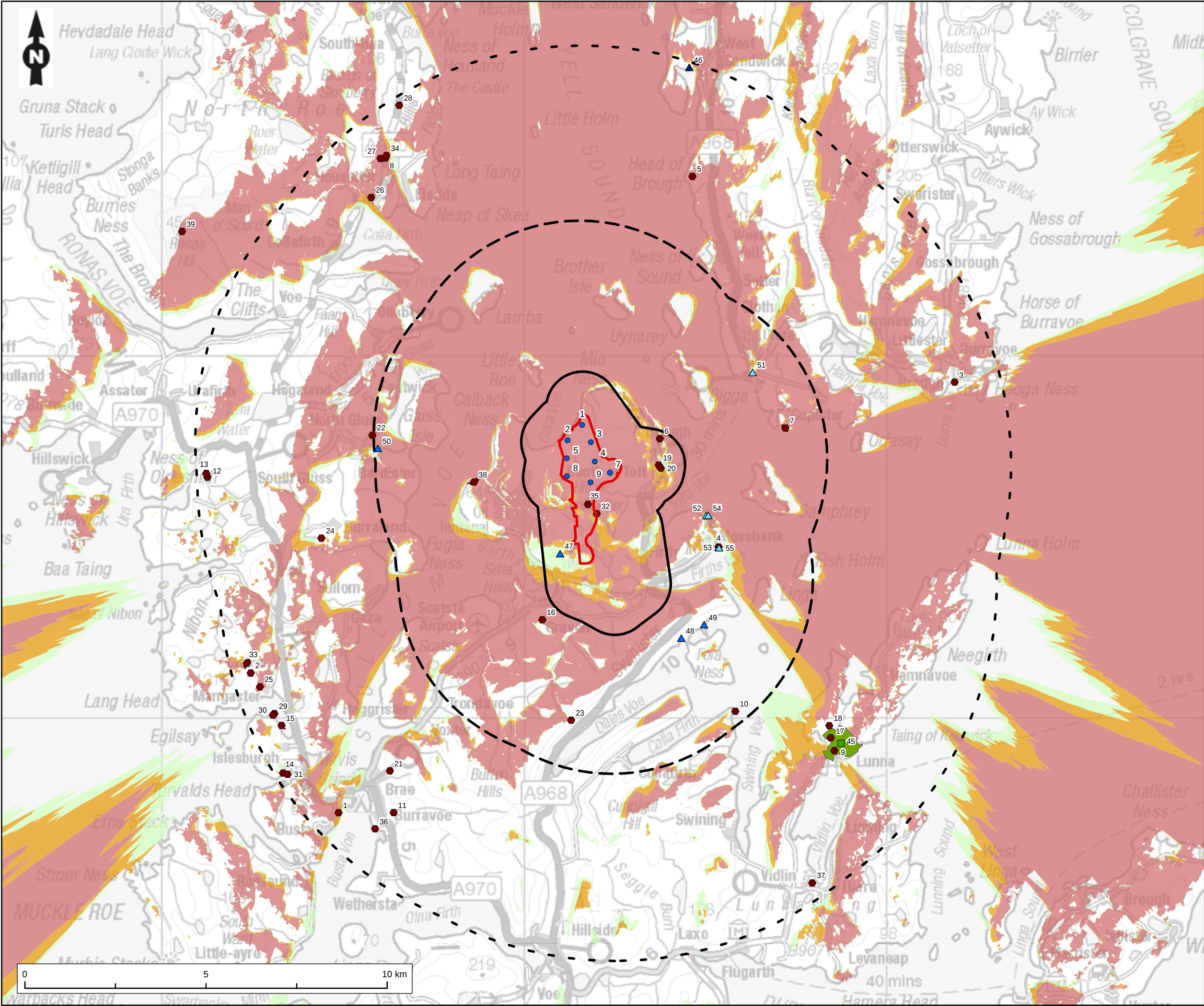
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Application Boundary

Proposed Turbine

1km Study Area

5km Study Area

10km Study Area

Scheduled Monument

Inventoried Garden & Designed Landscape

Listed Building - Category A

Listed Building - Category B

Listed Building - Category C

Garden & Designed Landscape Extent

Zone of Theoretical Visibility (ZTV)

Number of Turbines Theoretically Visible

1

2

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Figure Title

Designated Heritage Assets and ZTV within 10 km Study Area

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