

DRAINAGE TECHNICAL NOTE

BLOXHAM ROAD BANBURY



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1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This technical note has been prepared in response to comments received from Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) in their role as Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA), regarding the proposed outline planning application (ref 22/03868/OUT) for a residential development off Bloxham Road, Banbury. The following additional information was requested;
 - Provide a surface water catchment plan, demonstrating the breakdown of areas and stating the area. Also state the area after allowing for additional 10% urban creep.
 - Provide consent to discharge to the drainage ditch. Provide ownership details and capacity
 of the drainage ditch.
- 1.2 This report should be read in conjunction with the Flood Risk Assessment and Drainage Strategy report (ADC3114-RP-A) submitted as part of the validation of the outline planning application.

2.0 RESPONSE TO OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Surface water catchment plan

- 2.1 A surface water catchment plan, based upon the outline proposals, is presented within **Appendix A** of this report. The plan demonstrates; the NET area of each catchment, the impermeable area of each catchment (based upon a 65% PIMP classification), the impermeable area of the catchment once urban creep has been considered (based upon a 75% PIMP classification), and the route of flows from each catchment into the proposed surface water sewer network.
- 2.2 The catchment plan demonstrates that the anticipated impermeable area onsite, with an inclusion for urban creep, equates to 1.26ha. The proposed pond has been designed to cater for an area of up to 1.43ha for up to the 1 in 100-year+40% design storm event. This area was based upon a conservative estimate of onsite impermeable areas (plus urban creep), see calculations within appendix G within the submitted FRA. Given the above the proposed drainage strategy possesses more than sufficient storage for the proposed impermeable areas onsite, plus the relevant consideration for urban creep.

Drainage ditch

- 2.3 The proposed outfall for surface water runoff from the development is to a drainage ditch, which flows in an easterly direction along the site's southern boundary. The ditch and the proposed outfall is located within the application site boundary, and within the client's land ownership. A plan demonstrating the application site boundary and wider landownership is located within **Appendix B** of this report.
- 2.4 The proposed outfall location is classified as an ordinary watercourse. An application for consent for works in proximity to an ordinary watercourse will be submitted to Oxfordshire County Council as LLFA, under Section 23 of the Land Drainage Act (1991), as the planning proposals progress, and drainage details confirmed.
- 2.5 A site visit was conducted by ADC Infrastructure in November 2022; during the visit the proposed outfall ditch was identified and examined. The ditch was shown to flow in an easterly direction towards Bloxham Road where it became culverted via a 225mm pipe. An existing outfall from phase 2 of the wider development scheme (granted outline planning permission under planning reference; 14/01188/OUT) into the proposed outfall ditch was also identified. Images of the



outfall ditch taken as part of the site visit, alongside a map demonstrating the location of the images taken, are presented within **Appendix C** of this report. The images demonstrate a defined channel both within the site and downstream of the site, which not only accepts flows from existing runoff within the site but also from phase 2 of the wider development.

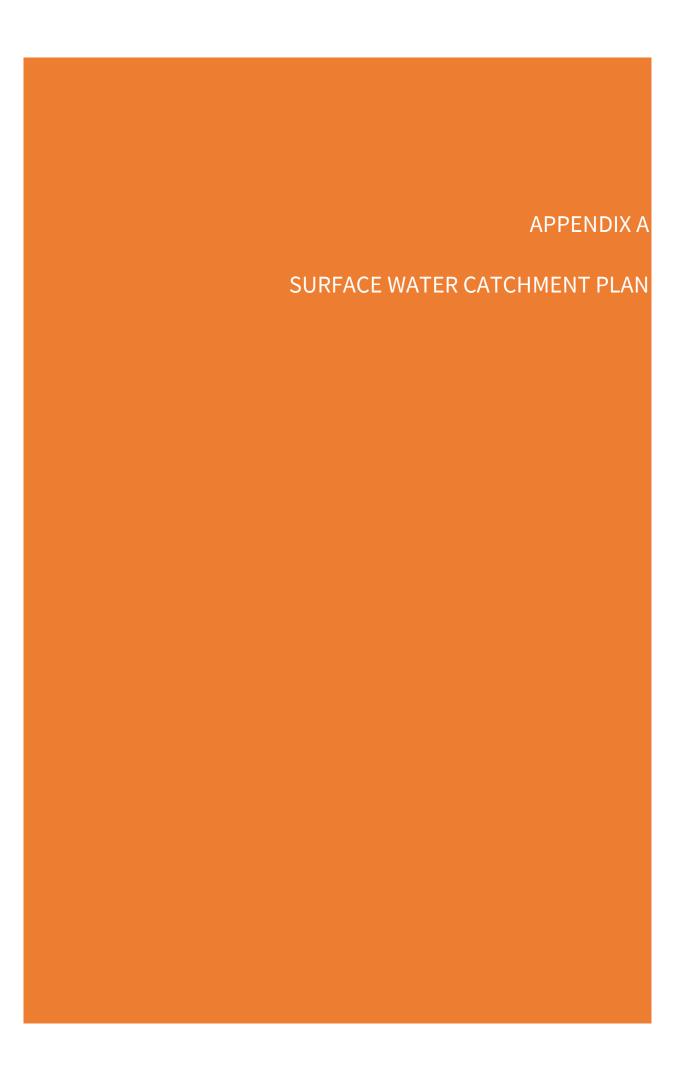
2.6 To gain a further appreciation of the conveyance capacity of the ditch cross sectional dimensions, from varied locations along the ditch, have been reviewed. This information has been taken from the topographical survey conducted for the wider site, and the relevant data is summarised within the table below. A plan demonstrating the locations of the sections is presented within Appendix D.

Cross section	Depth (m)	Width-top of bank to top of bank (m)
1	0.49	2.00
2	0.46	1.80
3	0.57	2.65
4	0.40	2.15
5	0.58	2.00
6	0.58	2.22

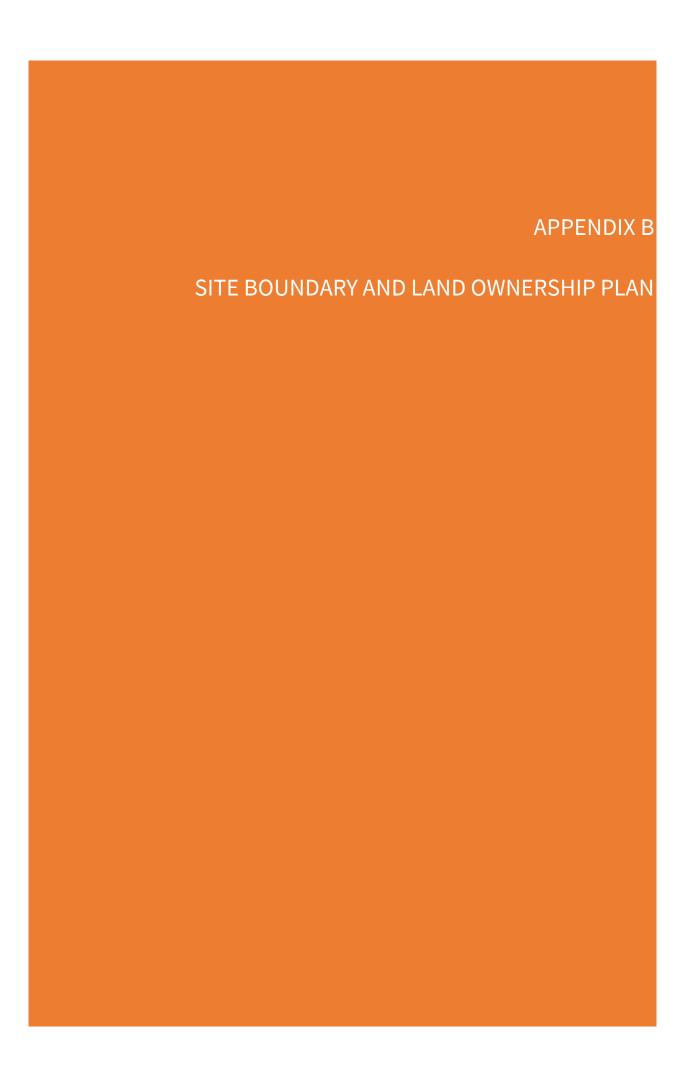
- 2.7 Given the parameters above the approximate average cross-sectional area of the outfall ditch is 1.1m².
- 2.8 The length of the ditch from the proposed outfall to the 225mm culvert beneath Bloxham Road is approximately 120m, the outfall ditch therefore provides approximately 132m³ of conveyance capacity from the proposed outfall to the culvert beneath Bloxham Road.
- 2.9 A restricted discharge of 6.5l/s is to be made into the outfall ditch; this mimics the existing mean annual greenfield runoff rate from the site received by the ditch and will provide a +39% betterment upon the existing 1 in 100-year greenfield runoff rate. A rate of 6.5l/s converts to 0.0065m³/s. The ditch has an average gradient along the site's southern boundary of approximately 1 in 110, which continues in a downward slope towards Bloxham Road. The estimated capacity of the ditch based on a Manning's calculation is approximately 1.94m³/s (1940l/s). Therefore, the capacity of the ditch is significantly greater than the proposed restricted discharge rate from the site.
- 2.10 Prior to the ditches exit from the site it is temporarily culverted for approximately 5m via a 225mm pipe beneath a field access. The 225mm pipe has an estimated capacity of 37l/s which is significantly less than the capacity of the ditch. Should the capacity of the 225mm pipe be exceeded, water levels would build up in the ditch before overtopping the field access and continuing downstream in the ditch. The ground levels in the site are a minimum of one metre higher than the field access above the 225mm culvert so the site would be unaffected by this overtopping scenario.
- 2.11 The 225mm culvert acts as a restriction to flows continuing downstream along the ditch course in an extreme event and is a like for like diameter to the existing culvert beneath Bloxham Road, as such it is not proposed to alter the culvert diameter as part of the drainage proposals.

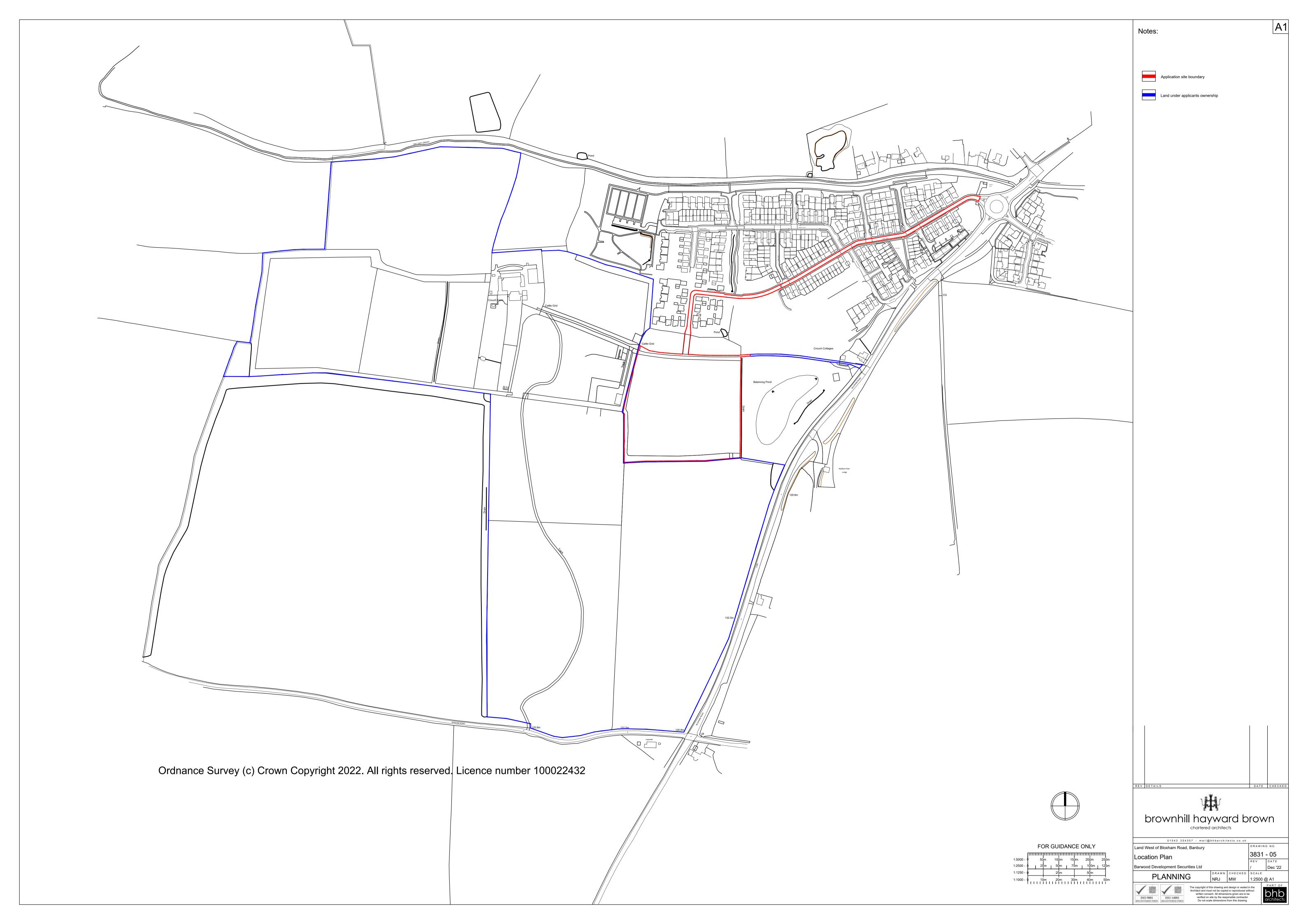


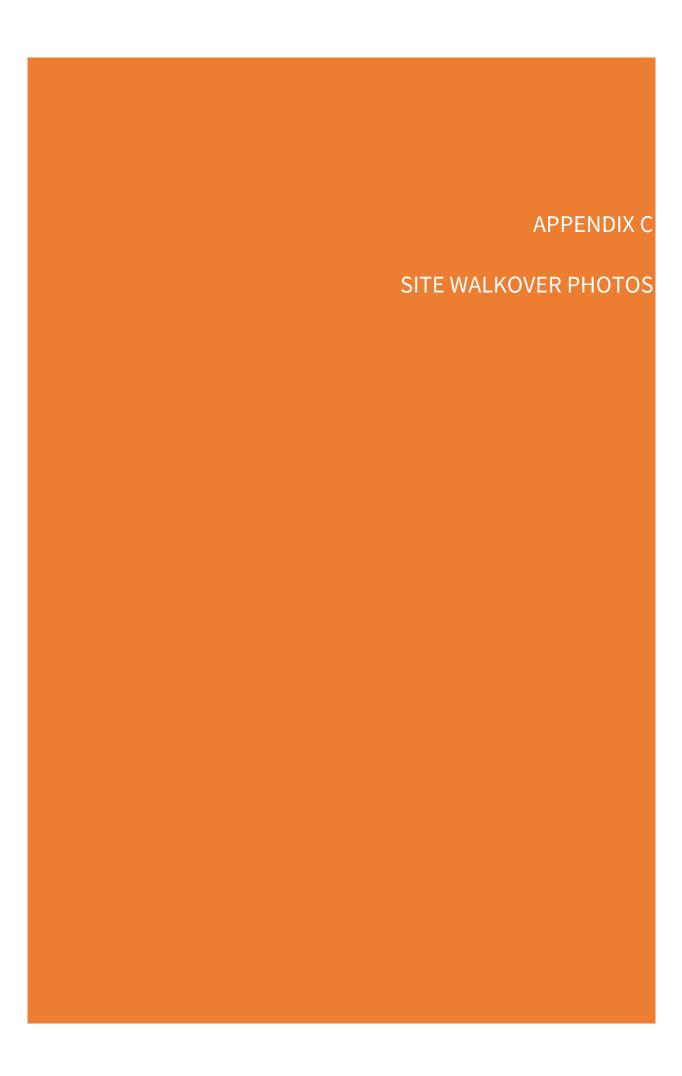
2.12 Given the above the proposed outfall ditch is considered to possess sufficient capacity to cater for the anticipated surface water flows produced as a result of the proposed development, which in any event are designed to mimic the current greenfield conditions of the site.











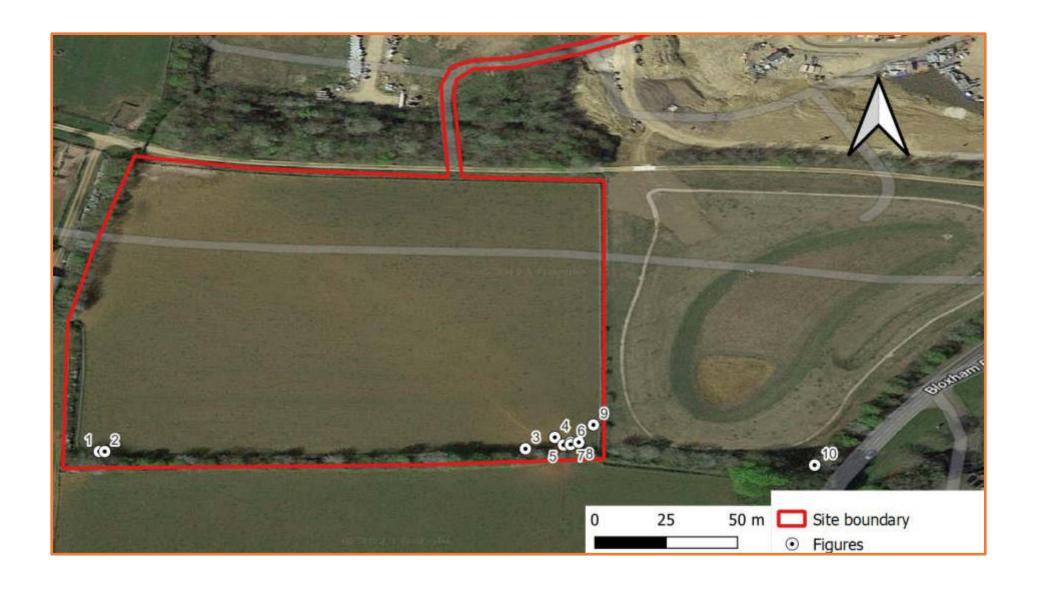




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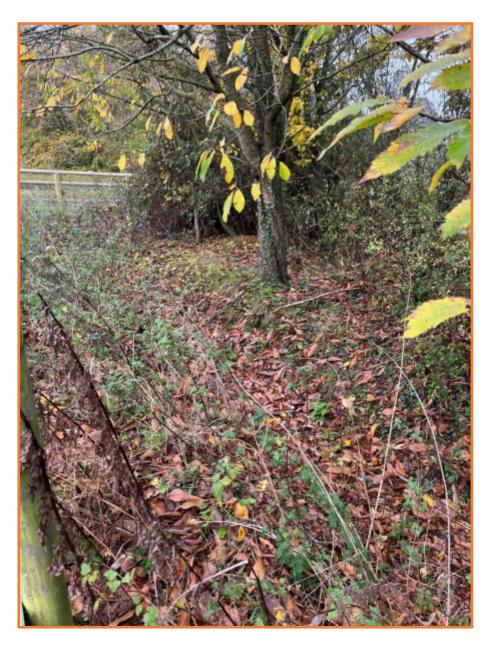


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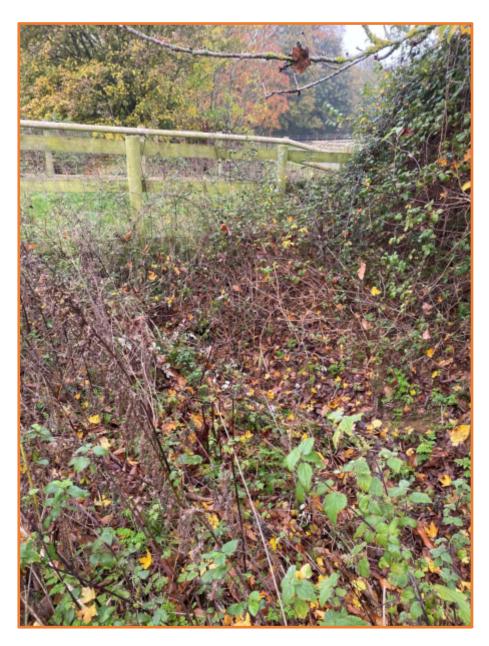


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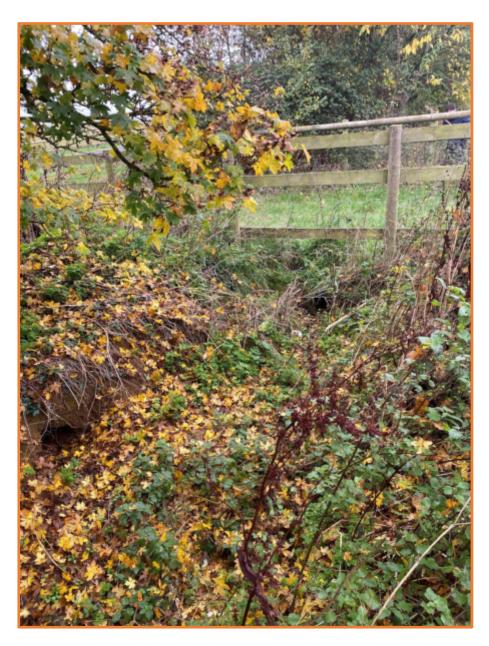


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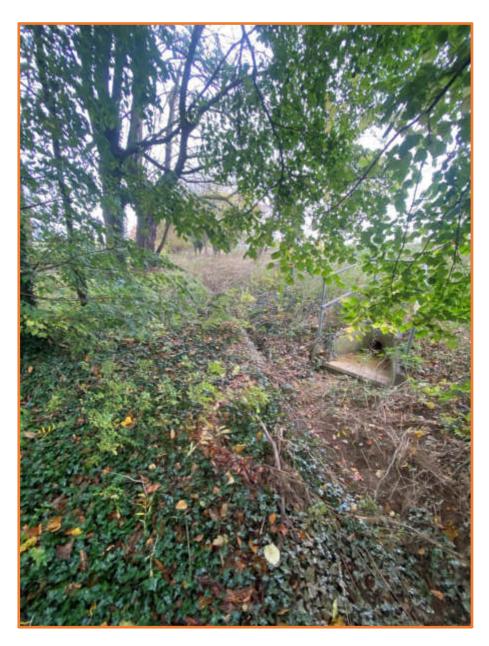
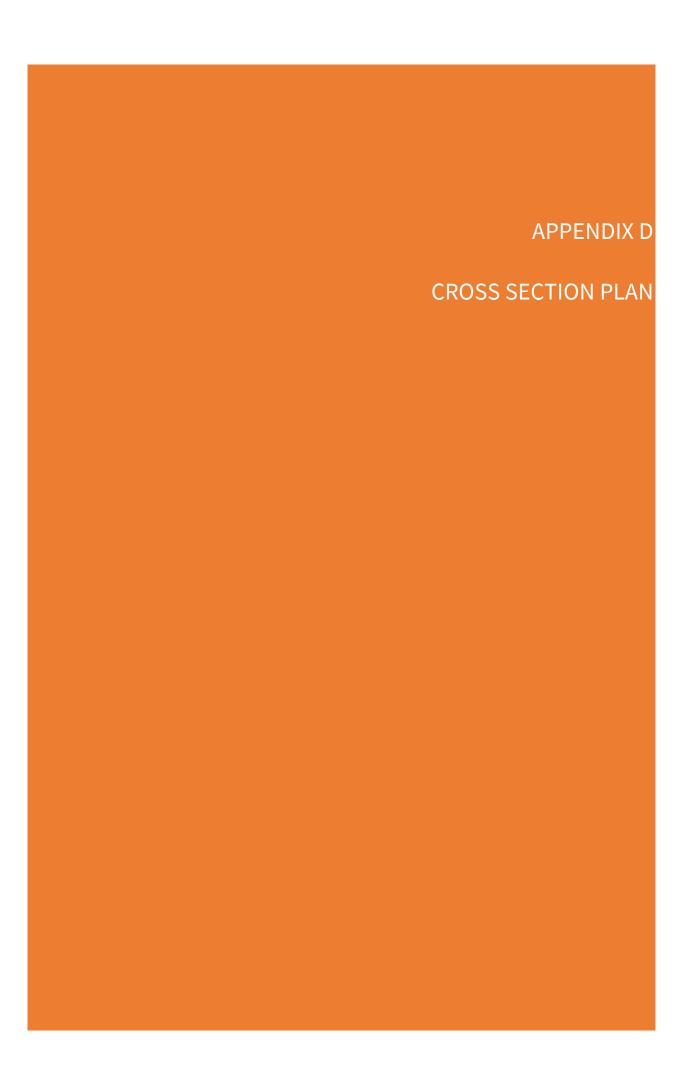
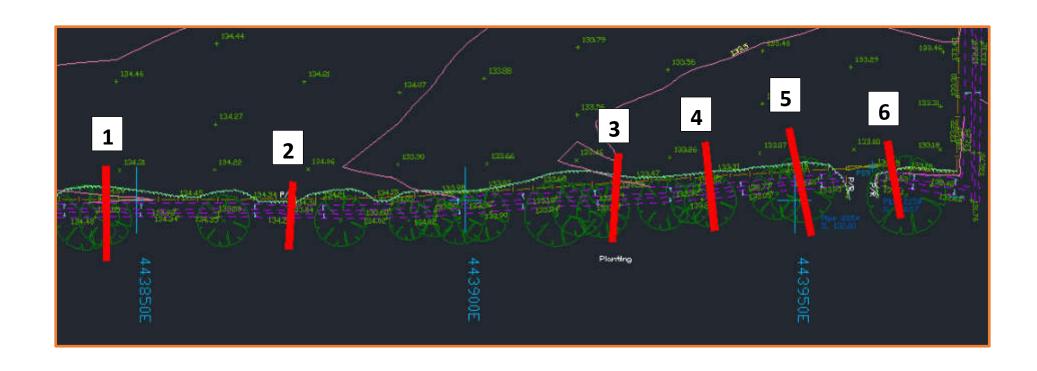


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