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Designated Cultural Heritage Assets in the Outer (3 km) Study Area with Predicted 'With-Screening' Visibility of the Proposed Development

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APPENDIX 9.4: DESIGNATED HERITAGE ASSETS WITHIN THE OUTER (3 KM) STUDY AREA WITH PREDICTED 'WITH-SCREENING' VISIBILITY OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

This appendix provides details on the heritage assets recorded within the Outer Study Area (area extending 3 km from the Site boundary) that have predicted with-screening visibility of the Proposed Development together with an assessment of their heritage sensitivity and of the potential effects of the Proposed Development on their settings.

The appendix should be read in conjunction with **Chapter 9: Cultural Heritage and Archaeology**. The locations and extents of the heritage assets are shown on **Figure 9.2 Designated Cultural Heritage: Outer (3 km) Study Area (Bare-Earth ZTV)** and **Figure 9.3 Designated Cultural Heritage: Outer (3 km) Study Area (With-Screening ZTV)**.

| Designation No. | Designation title | Designation type | Sensitivity of Asset | Setting | Distance to Substation (km) | Magnitude of Impact | Significance of Impact | Visualisation Figure No. |
|---|--|----------------------------|----------------------|---|-----------------------------|---|------------------------|--------------------------|
| LB2909 | Auquhirie Farmhouse | Category C Listed Building | Low | <p>A two-storey laird's house, dated at the lintel to 1665 but altered and added to during the mid-19th century. Agricultural outbuildings lie to the west and south of the house.</p> <p>The front elevation of the farmhouse is orientated to the southwest overlooking formal gardens and out to surrounding farmland. Views in other directions are limited by mature woodland/trees that surround the farmhouse.</p> <p>Localised farmland setting.</p> | 2.6 | <p>Negligible.</p> <p>The Proposed Development would be visible to the southeast of the farmhouse.</p> <p>Screening of the Proposed Development would be provided by intervening mature trees/vegetation present to the east of the farmhouse, and additional screening would be provided by proposed mitigation planting (native woodland) around the Proposed Development.</p> <p>Although the Proposed Development would be a new modern element within the wider forested surroundings of the farmhouse, the localised setting of the farmhouse, and its relationship with the surrounding agricultural landscape, would not be compromised.</p> | Negligible | |
| Additional Heritage Assets outwith the Outer Study Area identified through appraisal of the ZTVs as requiring consideration of potential impacts on its setting. | | | | | | | | |
| SM1016 | Raedykes Roman Camp, 600m NE of South Raedykes | Scheduled Monument | High | <p>The remains of a large Roman camp, likely dating to the late first century CE. The camp is visible as a series of earthworks denoting the well-preserved sections of a rampart and defensive ditch, visible on all four sides of the camp except for the north-western corner. The overall camp encloses an area of around 38 hectares and is irregular in plan, with four of the original <i>tituli</i> (defensive mounds) surviving around the camp's perimeter. The scheduled area encompasses both the camp and a surrounding area in which belowground evidence of the camp's operation and abandonment are thought most likely to survive.</p> <p>The camp is located at the summit of Garrison Hill, within an area of scrubland overlooking surrounding farmland. To the southeast, the camp commands long-distance views down Glen Ury, toward the coast. It is likely that the camp was sited with such views in mind, occupying a fortified location from which the coast, in addition to the approaches further inland, could be monitored. The surviving ramparts measure 0.8 m in height, and are not easily discerned at a distance, particularly due to the presence of vegetation and drystone walls.</p> | 5 | <p>Negligible.</p> <p>The monument is located approximately 5 km to the northeast of the Proposed Development.</p> <p>The Proposed Development would be visible in forestry to the southwest of the scheduled monument (see Figure 9.3: Designated Cultural Heritage Outer (3 km) Study Area (With-Screening ZTV)).</p> <p>A photomontage visualisation from the monument (Figure 9.5b Cultural Heritage Viewpoint 1: Raedykes Roman Camp) indicates that the Proposed Development would be only partially visible in long-distance views seen surrounded by large swathes of commercial forestry and backclothed by higher ground.</p> <p>Further screening would be provided by permanent mixed (deciduous) woodland that would be planted around the substation as part of the landscape strategy for the Proposed Development.</p> <p>A photomontage incorporating proposed mitigation planting for the Proposed Development (Figure 9.5c Cultural Heritage Viewpoint 1: Raedykes Roman Camp) indicates that the Proposed Development would be well-integrated within the wider forested landscape by year 10 of its operational lifetime.</p> <p>Although the Proposed Development would represent a modern addition to long-distance views to the south-west of the scheduled monument, it would not represent a noticeable change to the wider landscape surroundings of the monument, and key coastal views from the monument to the southeast would be unaffected. It would remain possible for any visitor to appreciate the monument and its topographical location.</p> | Negligible | Figure 9.6: CH VP1 |