Update from Prysmain, cable contractor for the Eastern Green Link 1 (EGL1) project
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24h landfall works planned for summer 2026 in Torness

Please find below an update regarding 24-hour working planned to take place over the summer.

Planned works

- Mobilisation on site is scheduled to start on 1 June 2026.
- The casing installation and welding works are scheduled to take eight and a half weeks to complete across the period of 13 June 2026 to 29 July 2026. These works will run 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
    - Casing installation will take place during the day and welding by night along the cable route, including under the railway crossing.
- The drilling works will continue to run 12 hours a day, 7 days a week, from 7am to 7pm until the end of the year (drilling of two 780m drills and HDPE installation) – unless an alternative arrangement is stipulated by, and agreed with, National Rail.

Noise and light

Noise mitigation:

- The anticipated noise level will remain below the maximum permitted threshold of 96 dB(A); equivalent to the noise produced by lawnmowers, power tools, blenders, and hair dryers.
- The site team will be constantly monitoring the noise levels throughout the works, to ensure minimal disturbance is maintained to the surrounding area. Silenced generators will be in place for the night shifts to reduce noise.
- Approximately 5-10 people are expected to work each night shift.

Lighting:

- The site will be illuminated at night by approximately 20 towers at approximately 5m high.
- To mitigate for light pollution and glare, the lights will be turned inwards away from the railway and highway.

Deliveries and Network Rail

- **Deliveries:** No overnight materials deliveries are scheduled.
- **Network Rail interaction:** Network Rail is fully aware of these works and will be on site at times during the works period, as part of the asset protection management. Railway track monitoring will be in place.

Dates and weather

- **Completion date:** If the casing installation and welding are not complete by 29 July 2026, an extension will be requested beforehand to continue the works. This information will be communicated to EGL1.
- **Weather:** This specific works activity (casing installation) does not require any marine activities which could be affected by the weather.

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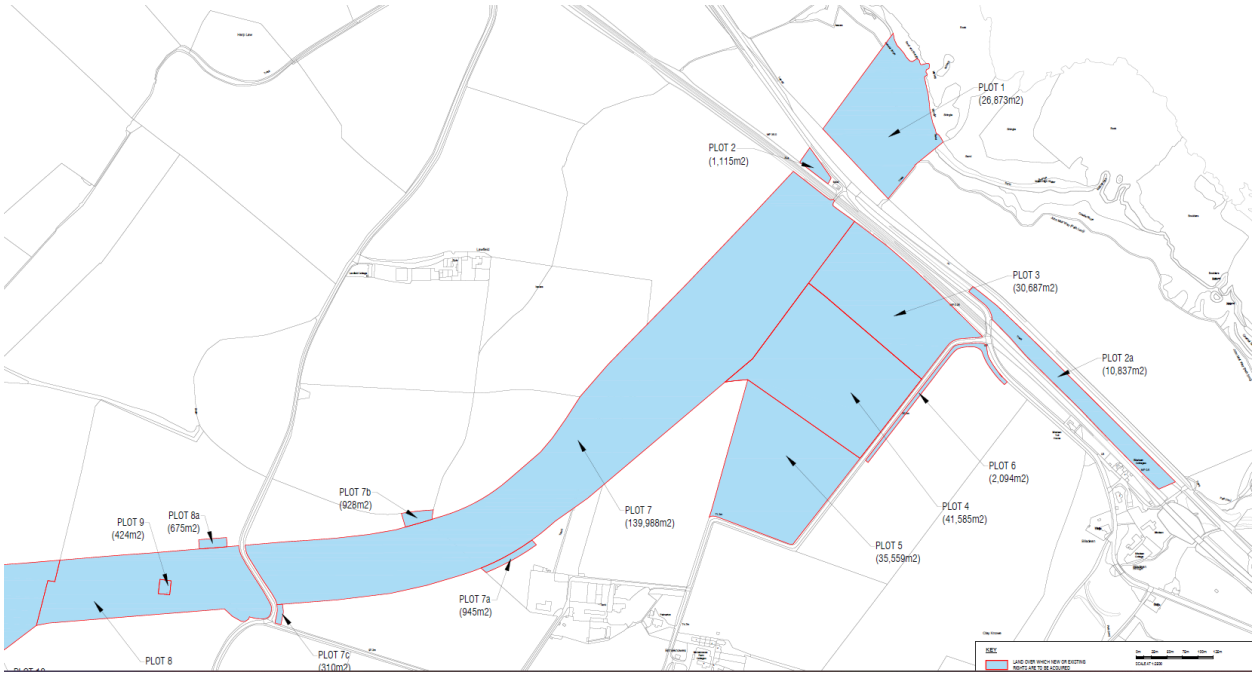
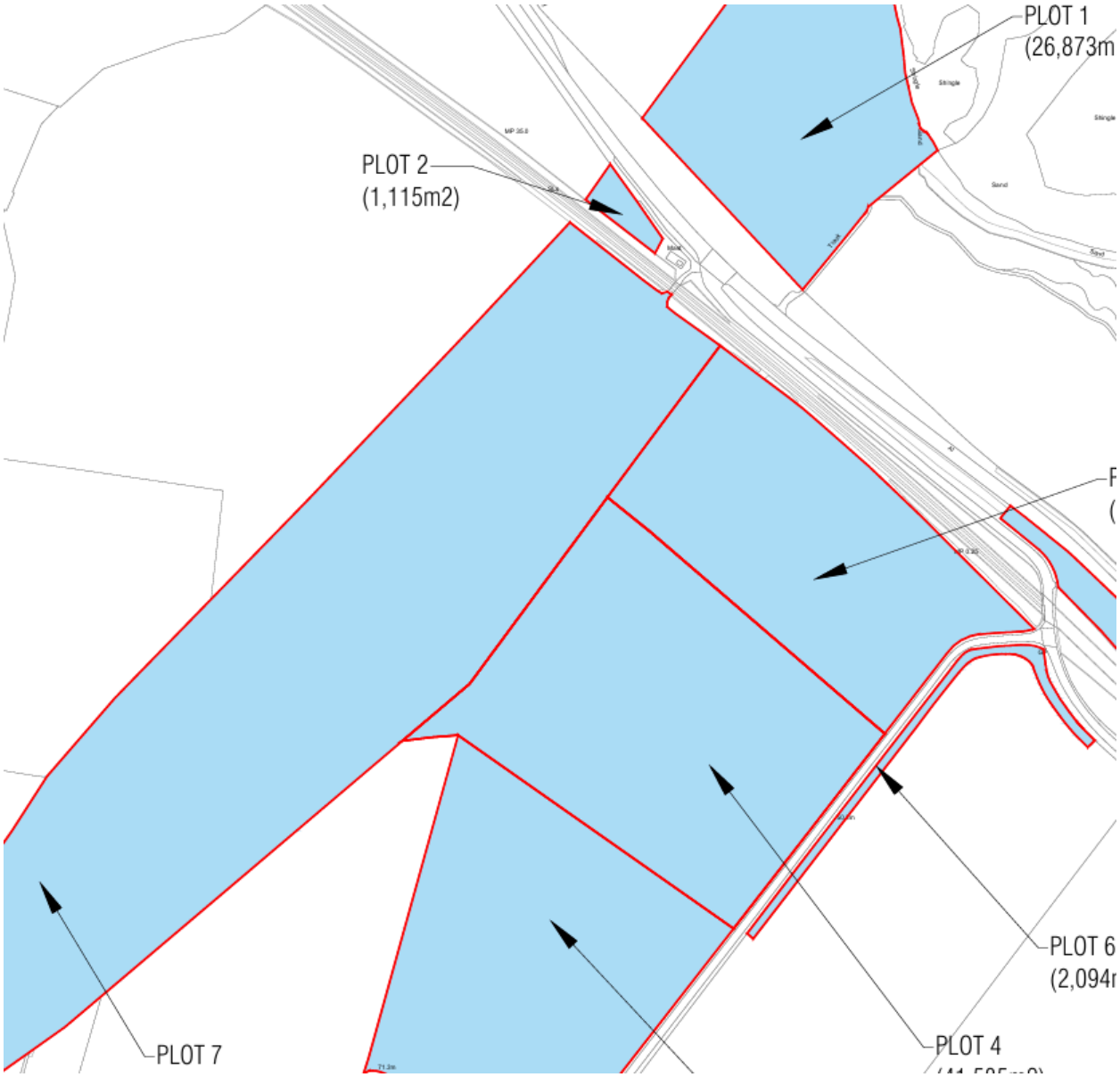
There may be additional 24/7 works patterns between the end of August until October 2026, and we will provide an update when this information is confirmed.

The works are taking place along the cable route in plots 1, 2 and 7. For plot 7 specifically, the works are taking place towards the top end where the A1 and railway cross over the cable route. For context, the first map is zoomed out to provide the wider area. The second map is zoomed in on the area in question. Plot 1 is on the shoreline, plot 2 is in-between the A1 and the railway line, plot 7 starts immediately below plot 2, on the other side of the railway line.

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