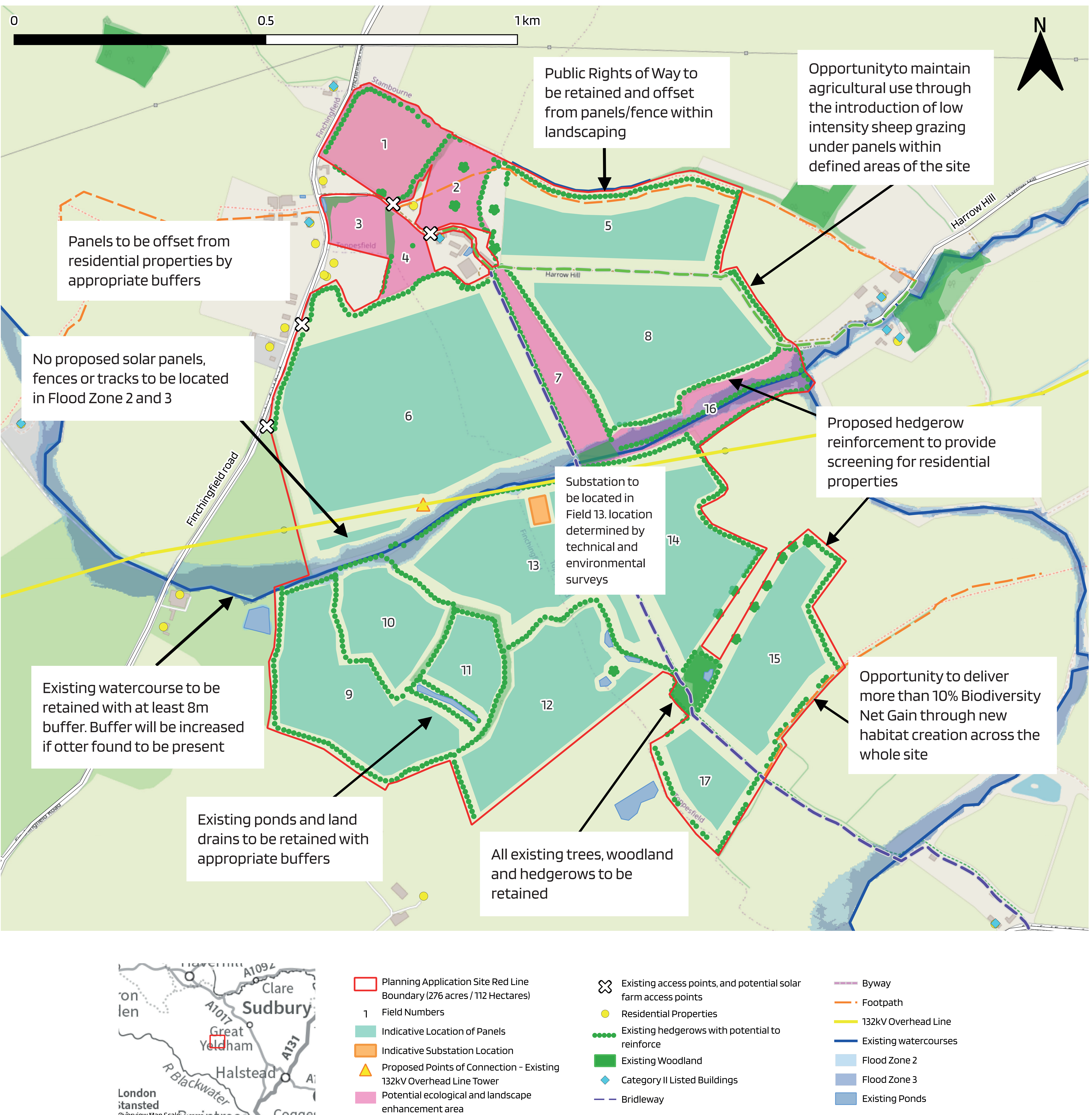
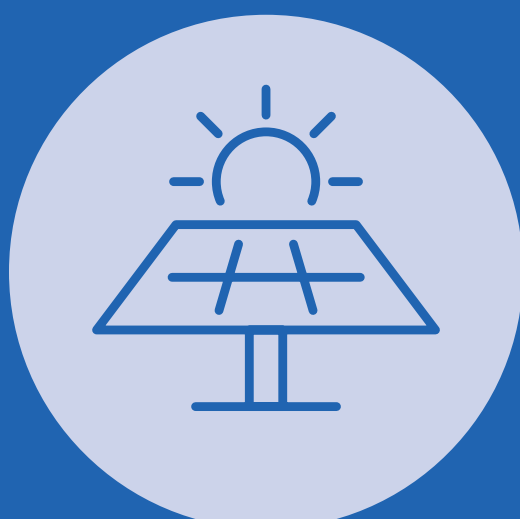


The proposals



The site is located across several field parcels on a site near Robin Hood End, northwest of the town of Braintree in Essex. The proposals comprise:



A solar farm producing up to c.60MW (AC) of renewable electricity



Onsite grid connection to an overhead 132kV line via an existing pylon



Landscaping and environmental enhancements including significant benefits for wildlife



A package of other community benefits through a designated Community Benefit Fund



Associated ancillary infrastructure, such as inverters, transformers, underground cabling and maintenance access

The point of connection to the grid will be on-site, connecting to an existing 132kV overhead line which passes directly over the site and has capacity to accommodate the solar farm's electricity.

The solar farm is a temporary development, proposed to have a lifespan of 40 years. After which it will be decommissioned and removed from the site. After its removal, the site will revert back to agricultural use and will be treated as greenfield in the planning process, rather than as brownfield.

The project team are undertaking a series of assessments and surveys related to ecology including trees, landscape and visual matters, heritage including archaeology, traffic and transport, noise, glint and glare and flood risk.

The project will provide biodiversity net gain through various ecological improvements, such as new planting and wildlife-friendly land management. We are aiming to deliver well in excess of the 10% biodiversity net gain required by law.