APPENDIX 15.1: ABNORMAL LOAD ROUTE ASSESSMENT



TANGY IV WIND FARM ABNORMAL LOAD ROUTE ASSESSMENT

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1 INTRODUCTION

Tangy IV Wind Farm is a proposed wind farm located on the Kintyre Peninsula in Argyll and Bute. This Abnormal Load Route Assessment (ALRA) provides an assessment of land based routes to the wind farm site for the delivery of wind turbine components.

2 METHODOLOGY

This ALRA is a desk based study which uses publically available Ordinance Survey (OS) mapping to conduct swept path analysis of points of constraint (PCs) on the proposed delivery route. Swept path analysis is conducted in AutoCAD using the Vehicle Tracking software and a bespoke delivery vehicle developed for this ALRA.

2.1 Mapping

Ordinance Survey (OS) Mastermap was used to conduct swept path analysis along the proposed delivery route. This mapping is two-dimensional and therefore the assessment only considers the horizontal geometry of pinch points on the route. Topographical surveys may be required in order to undertake an assessment of vertical constraints.

2.2 Site Visit

A site visit and route drive over was undertaken in February 2018 by an Arcus Engineer in order to verify results of an initial swept path analysis. During this drive over the locations of identified PCs were confirmed in order to verify the accuracy of the OS mapping.

2.3 Delivery Vehicle Specifications

A vehicle data sheet is included in Appendix A. Dimensions of the blade and corresponding delivery vehicle specifications are provided in the following tables.

Table 2.1: Turbine Blade Data

	Data Used in Assessment	
Blade	Length 65.0m	

Table 2.2: Assumed delivery vehicles for Turbine Blade

	Data	Source
Blade Trailer	Vehicle length – 59.4m Blade overhang – 10.3m	Volvo Cab / TSR Trailer

2.4 Route to Site

This assessment considered delivery from the Campbeltown Harbour. The route to site would be as follows:

- Campbeltown Harbour;
- Hall Street;
- Kinloch Road;
- Aqualibrium Avenue;
- Millknow Road;
- A83; and
- Unnamed Roads to Site Entrance.



Figure 1, included in Appendix B indicates the assessed abnormal load route from Campbeltown Harbour.

2.5 Tracking Methodology

At the request of SSE automatic rear wheel steering has been utilised at all PCs, except where noted on the drawings at PCs where manual override was required to negotiate the PC.

A 0.75m offset has been indicated on all overrun and oversail areas from the extent of the vehicle swept path. This is to provide a factor of safety and to indicate the area which should be allowed for in order to provide a margin of error during delivery.

2.6 Assumptions

In order to keep the results of assessment as concise as possible the following assumptions have been made at each PC:

- During transit, delivery vehicles will be accompanied by an escort vehicle and a police escort if required.
- At all locations where the delivery vehicle occupies the full road width, or is required
 to contraflow, appropriate traffic management procedures will be implemented by the
 escort. This will usually involve temporary closure of the road or junction whilst the
 vehicle passes.
- A detailed traffic management plan will be prepared prior to delivery to inform all relevant stakeholders of road closures and other procedures to be implemented during delivery.

3 RESULTS OF ASSESSMENT

Based upon swept path analysis of all PCs identified on the proposed delivery route, outcomes and mitigation requirements have been defined and are summarised in Table 3.1. Twenty PCs were identified between Campbeltown Harbour and the site entrance.



Table 3.1: Assessment of Constraints

Ref	Location	Assessment Outcome	Mitigation	Risk
PC/01	Campbeltown Harbour Entrance	Vehicle and blade tip to conflict with fence at harbour entrance. Blade tip to pass close to lighting column. Vehicle to overrun central reservation on Hall Street and conflict with mature tree and lighting column.	Fence at harbour entrance to be relocated. Topographical survey to establish position of lighting column. Load bearing surface to be laid in overrun area within central reservation. Tree to be removed. Lighting column to be relocated.	Medium
PC/02	Hall Street / Kinloch Road Roundabout	Blade tip to oversail central reservation of Hall Road and potentially conflict with sign. Load to oversail inside bend and potentially conflict with bench.	Clearance height of blade tip above sign to be established. Topographical survey to establish position of bench, to be relocated if required.	Low
PC/03	Kinloch Road / Aqualibrium Avenue Junction	Trailer rear wheels to overrun pedestrian footway on outside bend. Blade tip to oversail outside bend within third party land and conflict with lighting column. Trailer to oversail inside bend, clearance to wall below factor of safety.	Load bearing surface to be laid in overrun area. Lighting column to be relocated.	Medium
PC/04	Aqualibrium Avenue / Millknow Road Junction	Manual rear wheel steering was required to be invoked in order to avoid conflict between load and property at 124 Millknow Road. Blade tip to oversail outside bend within third party land and conflict with lighting column. Load to oversail inside and outside bend over pedestrian footway.	Manual rear wheel steering required to negotiate bend. Lighting column to be relocated.	Medium
PC/05	Bend in Millknow Road adjacent to Dalaruan Street	Blade tip to oversail outside bend and conflict with lighting column. Trailer to overrun inside bend on pedestrian footway. Trailer to oversail inside bend over pedestrian footway.	Lighting column to be relocated. Load bearing surface to be laid in overrun area on inside bend on pedestrian footway.	Medium
PC/06	Bend on A83 at Lag na Garach	Trailer to overrun inside bend on pedestrian footway. Blade tip to oversail outside bend.	Load bearing surface to be laid in overrun area on pedestrian footway, steel plating may be sufficient.	Low



Ref	Location	Assessment Outcome	Mitigation	Risk
PC/07	Bend on A83 south of Wellpark	Blade tip to oversail outside bend in third party land over stone wall.	Clearance height above wall to be checked.	Medium
PC/08	Bend on A83 at Kilkenzie	Blade tip to oversail outside bend over stone wall into third party land. Trailer to oversail inside bend into third party land and conflict with post and wire fence.	Clearance height above wall on outside bend to be checked. Fence on inside bend to be relocated outside oversail area.	Medium
PC/09	A83 / Unnamed Road Junction at Drum Farm	Rear of trailer to overrun outside bend into third party land and conflict with post and wire fence. Vehicle to overrun inside bend into third party land and conflict with field gates, post and wire fence, signpost and telegraph pole.	Load bearing surface to be laid in overrun areas on inside and outside bend. Post and wire fences and gates to be relocated outside of oversail areas. Signpost to be mounted on demountable supports. Telegraph pole to be relocated.	High
PC/10	Bends on unnamed road north of Drum Farm	Trailer rear to overrun outside bend and into third party land and conflict with post and wire fence in two areas. Vehicle to overrun inside bend into third party land and conflict with hedge and fence.	Load bearing surfaces to be laid in overrun areas. Fences to be relocated outside of oversail areas and hedge to be removed.	High
PC/11	Bend south of Drumaird	Rear of trailer to overrun outside and inside bend into third party land and conflict with post and wire fence and field gate.	Load bearing surfaces to be laid in overrun areas. Gates and fences to be relocated outside of overrun areas.	High
PC/12	Bend in unnamed road before High Ballevain	Overrun areas kept to right side of bend as requested by SSE. Vehicle to overrun inside bend into third party land and conflict with post and wire fence.	Load bearing surfaces to be laid in overrun areas. Post and wire fences to be relocated outside of overrun areas.	High
PC/13	Bend in unnamed road at High Ballevain	Blade tip to oversail east side of road into third party land over post and wire fence. Trailer to overrun inside bend adjacent to High Ballevain into third party land and conflict with post and wire fence.	Clearance height of blade tip over fence on approach to be checked. Load bearing surface to be laid in third party land adjacent to properties and post and wire fence to be relocated outside of overrun area.	High



Ref	Location	Assessment Outcome	Mitigation	Risk
PC/14	Bend in unnamed road after High Ballevain	Rear of trailer to overrun into third party land in several locations and conflict with post and wire fence.		High
PC/15	Unnamed road / unnamed road junction by High Ballevain Cottage	Vehicle to overrun inside and outside of bend into third party land and conflict with post and wire fence, field gates and two telegraph poles.	Load bearing surfaces to be laid in overrun areas in third party land. Fences and gates to be relocated outside of overrun areas. Telegraph poles to be relocated.	High
PC/16	Bend on unnamed road at Breakachy	Widening areas kept to right side of road on second bend as directed by SSE. Trailer rear to overrun inside bends into third party land and conflict with post and wire fence.	Load bearing surfaces to be laid in overrun areas within third party land. Fences to be relocated outside of overrun areas.	High
PC/17	Bend at Dalnaspidal	Offline track section to be constructed across watercourse in third party land. Beyond Dalnaspidal trailer to overrun inside bend within third party land.	Load bearing surface to be laid in overrun area within third party land. Post and wire fence to be relocated outside overrun area.	High
PC/18	Bend north of Dalnaspidal	Trailer rear to overrun outside and inside of bend into third party land and conflict with post and wire fences.	Load bearing surfaces to be laid in overrun areas within third party land. Fences to be relocated outside overrun areas.	High
PC/19	Bend at Tangy	Trailer rear to overrun inside bend in two locations into third party land and conflict with stone wall, post and wire fences, telegraph pole and potentially with mature tree. Blade tip to oversail third party land within garden of residential property.	Load bearing surfaces to be laid in overrun areas within third party land on inside bend. Stone wall to be removed, post and wire fences to be relocated outside of overrun areas. Telegraph pole to be relocated. Topographical survey to establish exact position of mature tree to determine clearance.	High



Ref	Location	Assessment Outcome	Mitigation	Risk
PC/20	Bend at site entrance	Load to oversail bridge parapet with possible conflict. Rear of trailer to overrun outside and inside bend in several locations within third party land and conflict with fences and wall.	Clearance height of load above bridge parapet to be checked. Load bearing surfaces to be laid in overrun areas. Wall to be removed. Fences to be relocated outside overrun areas.	High



4 CONCLUSION

4.1 Summary

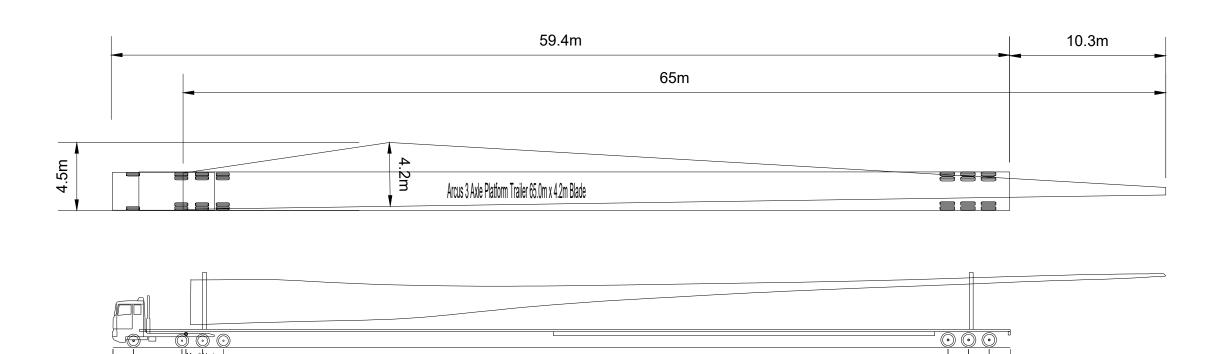
The delivery route was assessed for the candidate wind turbine blade vehicle. Twenty PCs are detailed within this report where swept path analysis has been conducted. Twelve PCs were assessed as being high risk owing to the requirement for construction works to be undertaken within third party land. Six PCs were assessed as medium risk, these PCs generally require oversail of third party land, or construction works within the highway boundary to be undertaken. Two PCs were assessed as low risk where minor works within the highway boundary may be required.

4.2 Recommendations for Further Work

Topographic surveys should be undertaken to confirm the viability of all PCs especially at those locations identified where clearance is low or the position of street furniture/trees is unknown.

Structural surveys should be undertaken at structures along the route in order to establish weight limits. An abnormal indivisible loads application should be submitted to the relevant authority which will initiate consultations with all relevant parties and identify areas where further review is required.

APPENDIX A – VEHICLE DATA SHEET



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Arcus 3 Axle Platform Trailer 65.0m x 4.2m Blac	le
Overall Length	69.7m
Overall Width	4.5m
Overall Body Height	3.407m
Min Body Ground Clearance	0.331m
Max Track Width	2.550m
ock to lock time	6.00s
Kerb to Kerb Turning Radius	6.600m

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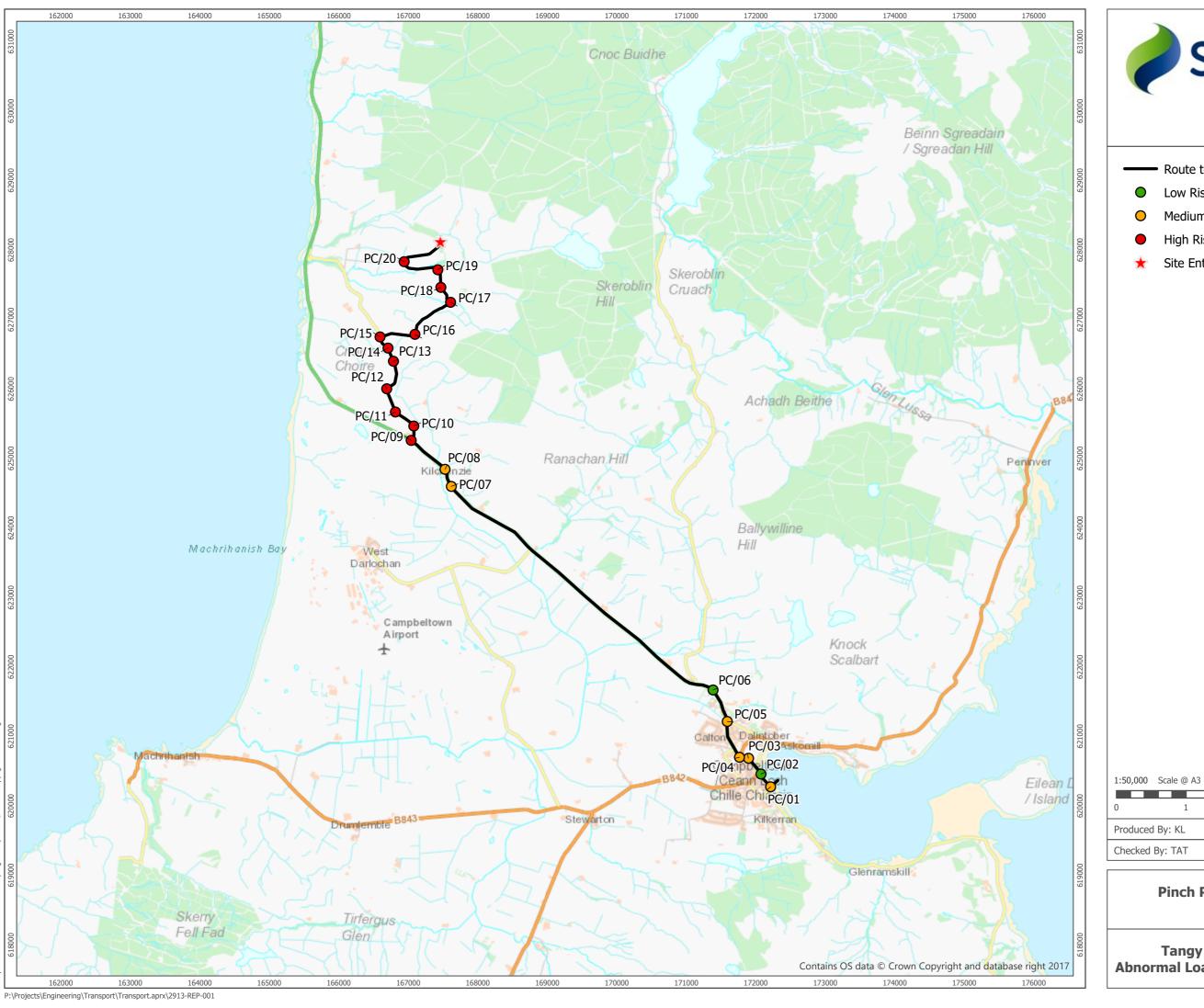
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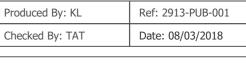


APPENDIX B – ROUTE TO SITE





- Route to Site
- Low Risk Pinch Point
- Medium Risk Pinch Point
- High Risk Pinch Point
- Site Entrance Location

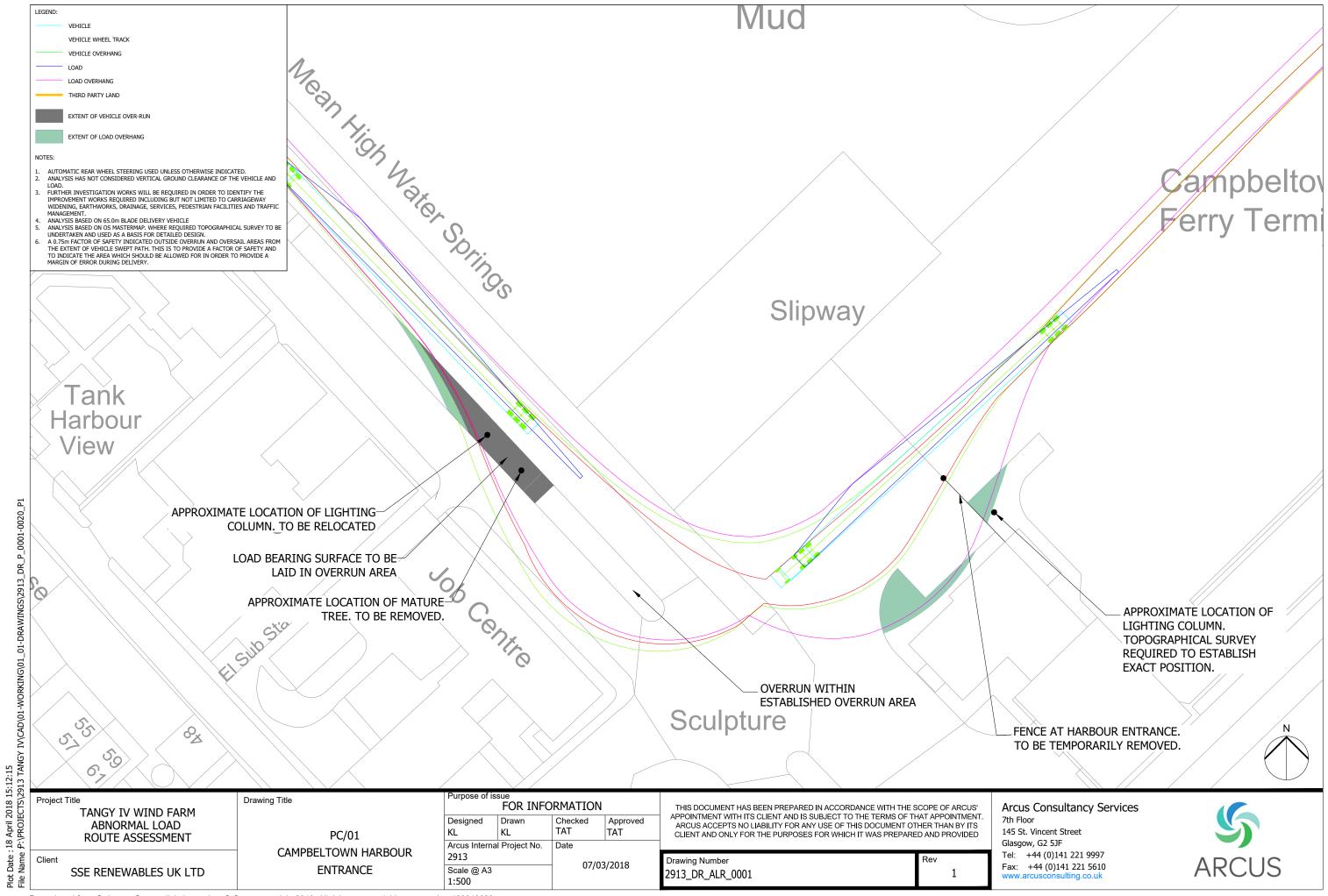


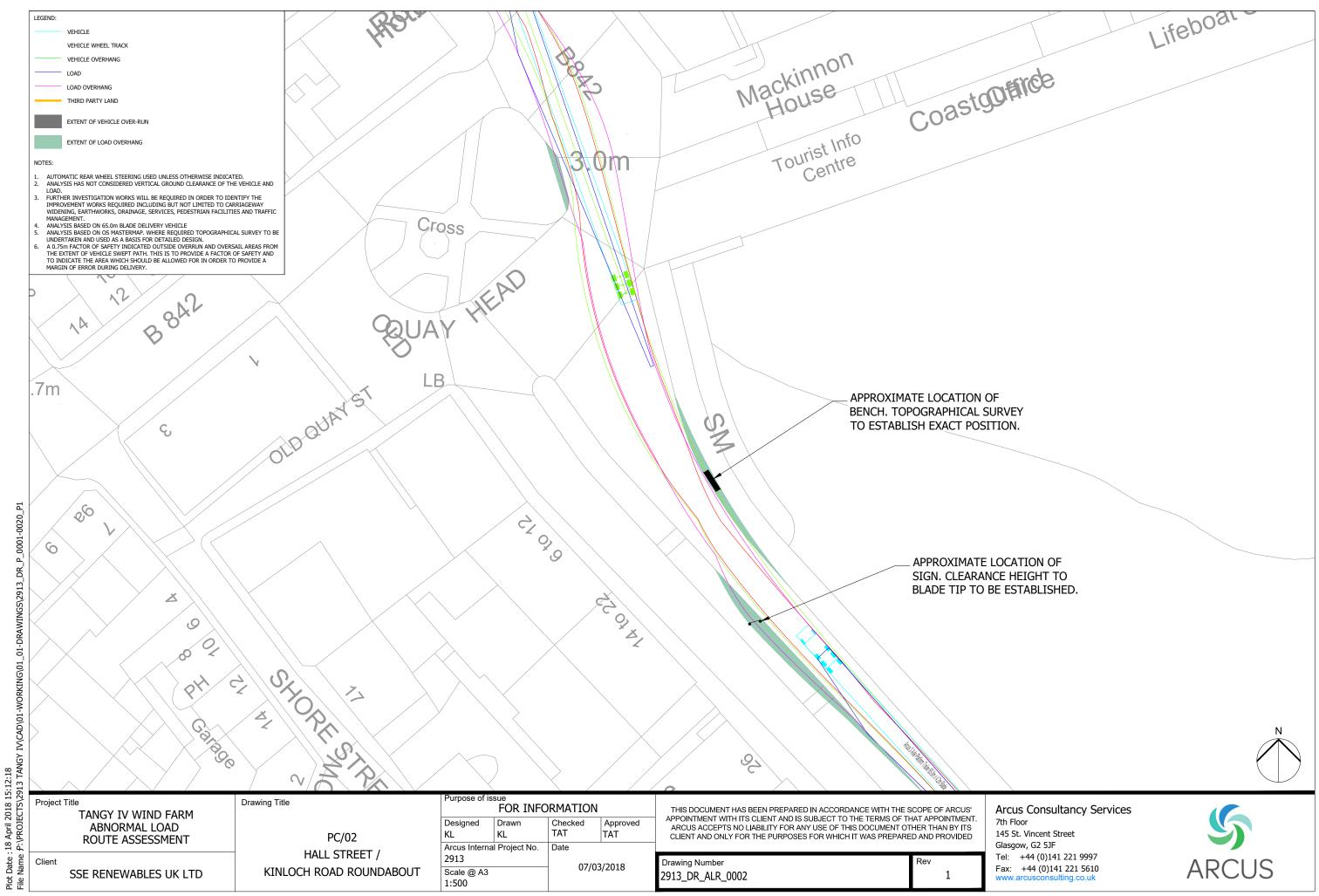
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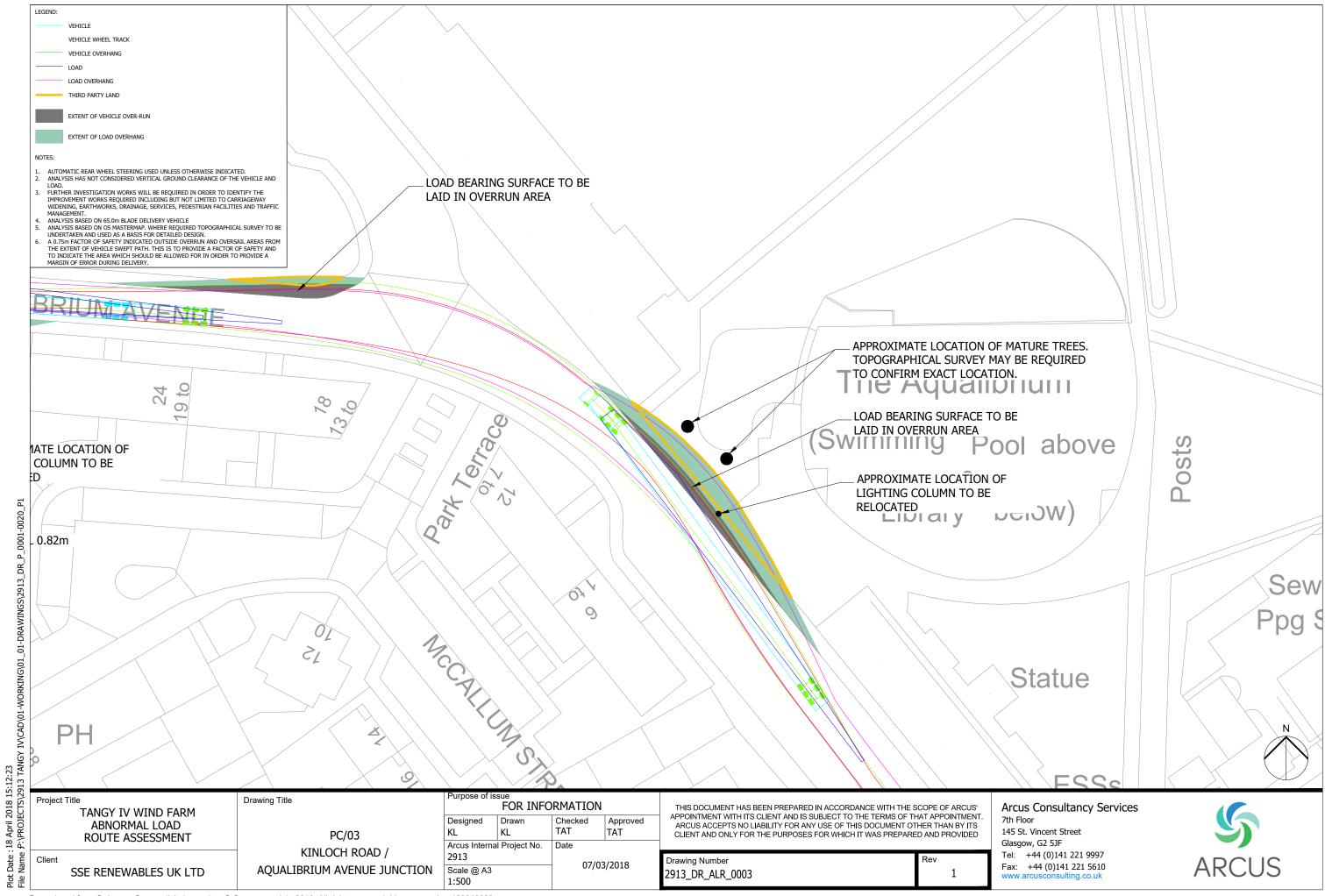
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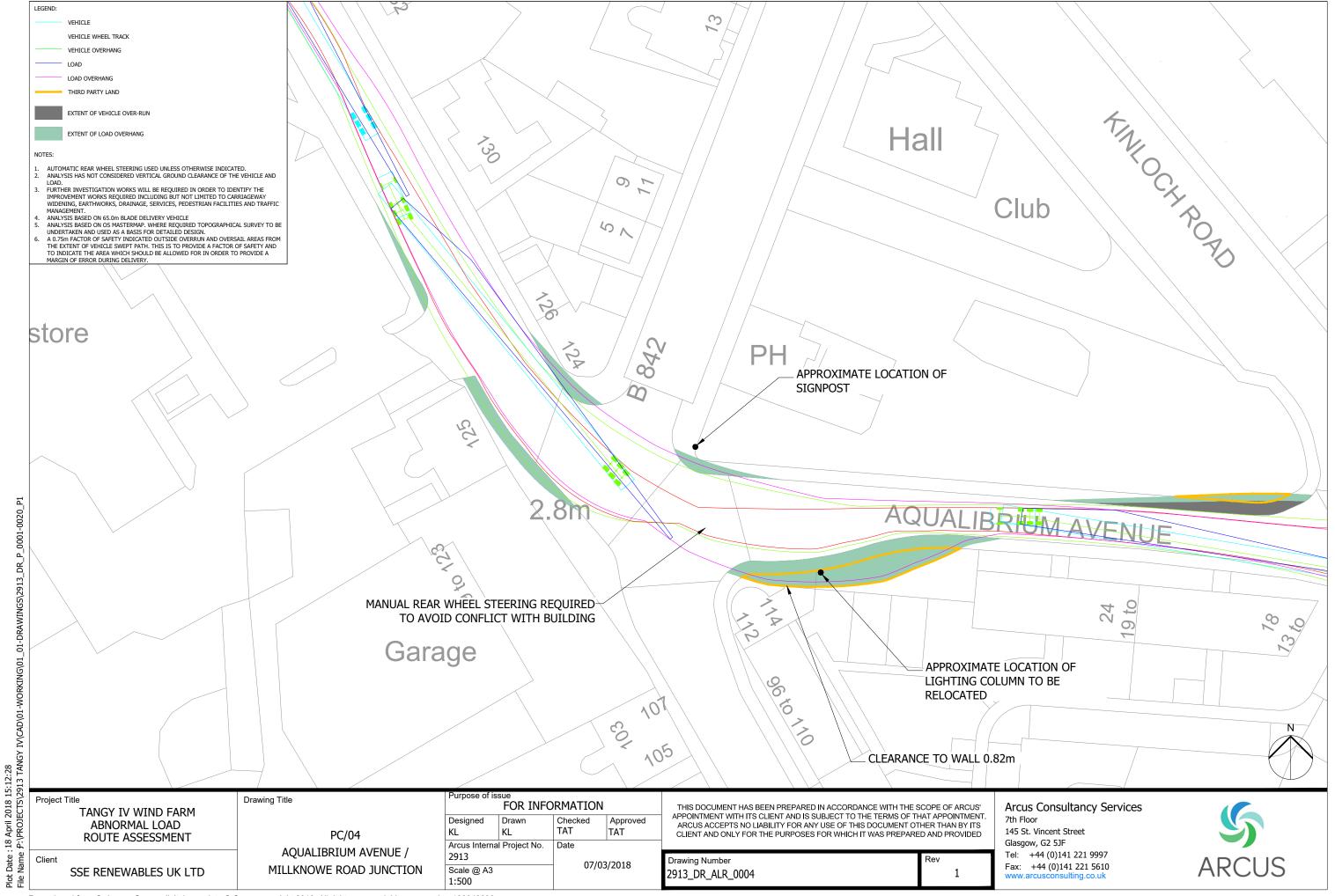
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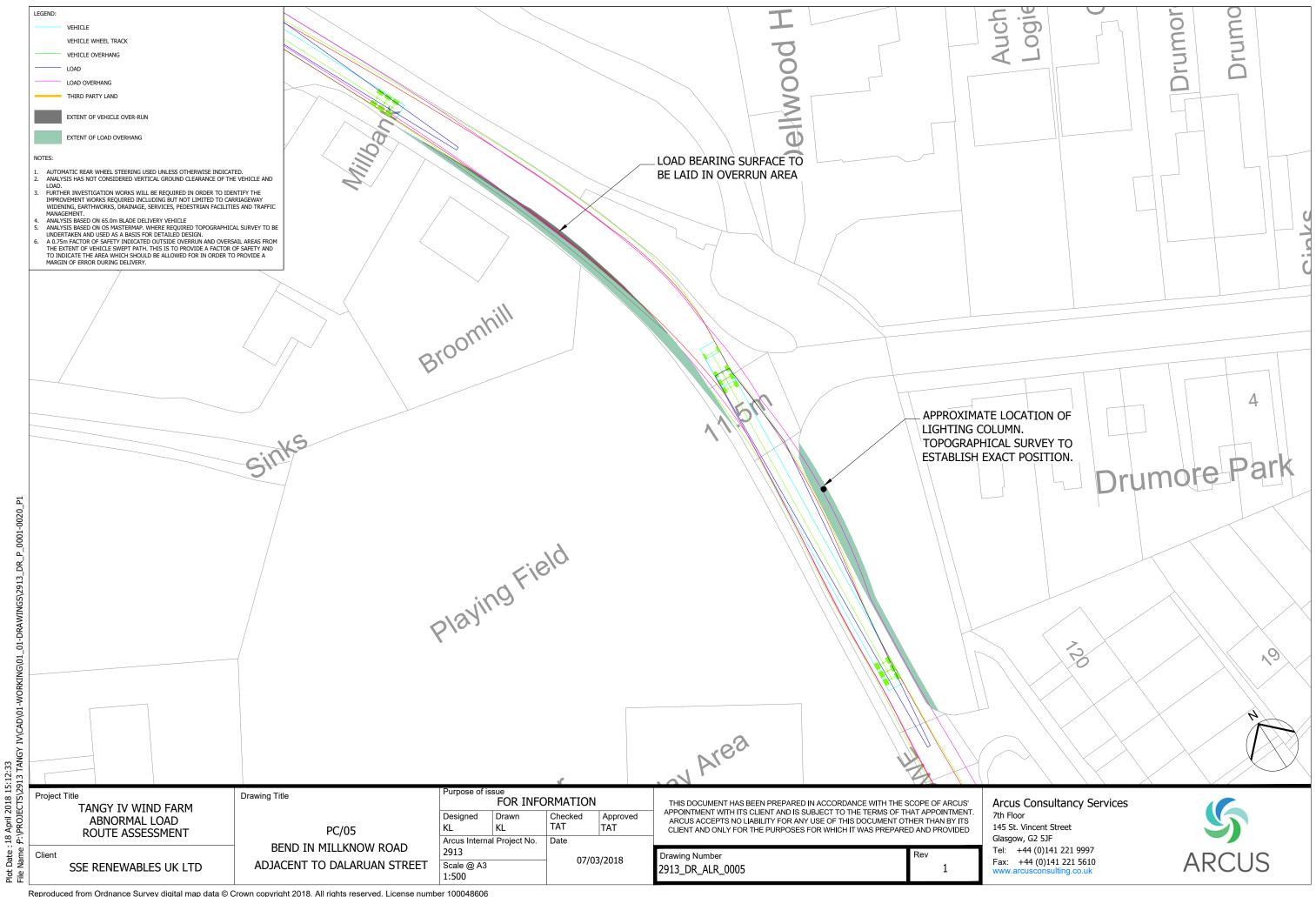
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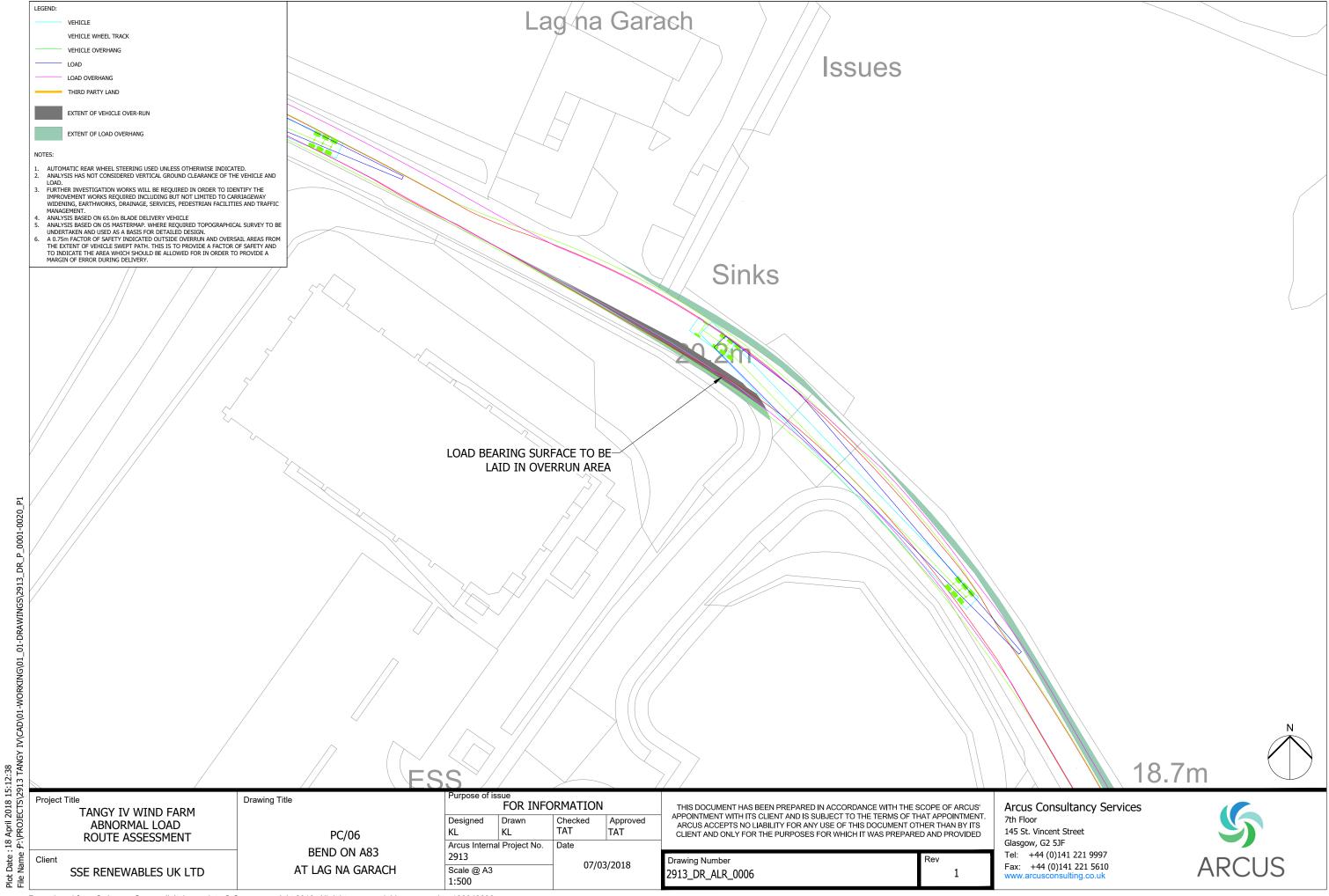


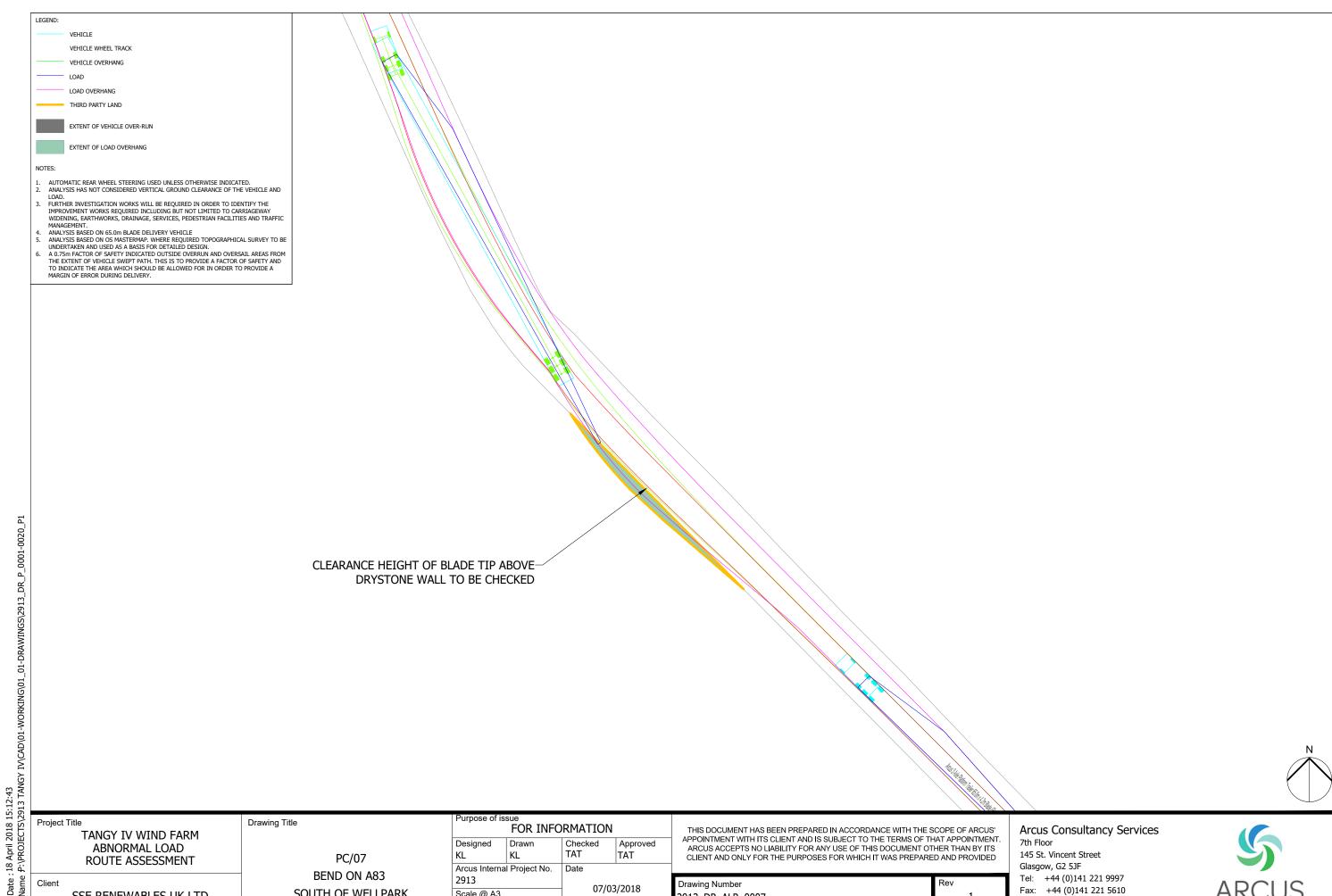












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