

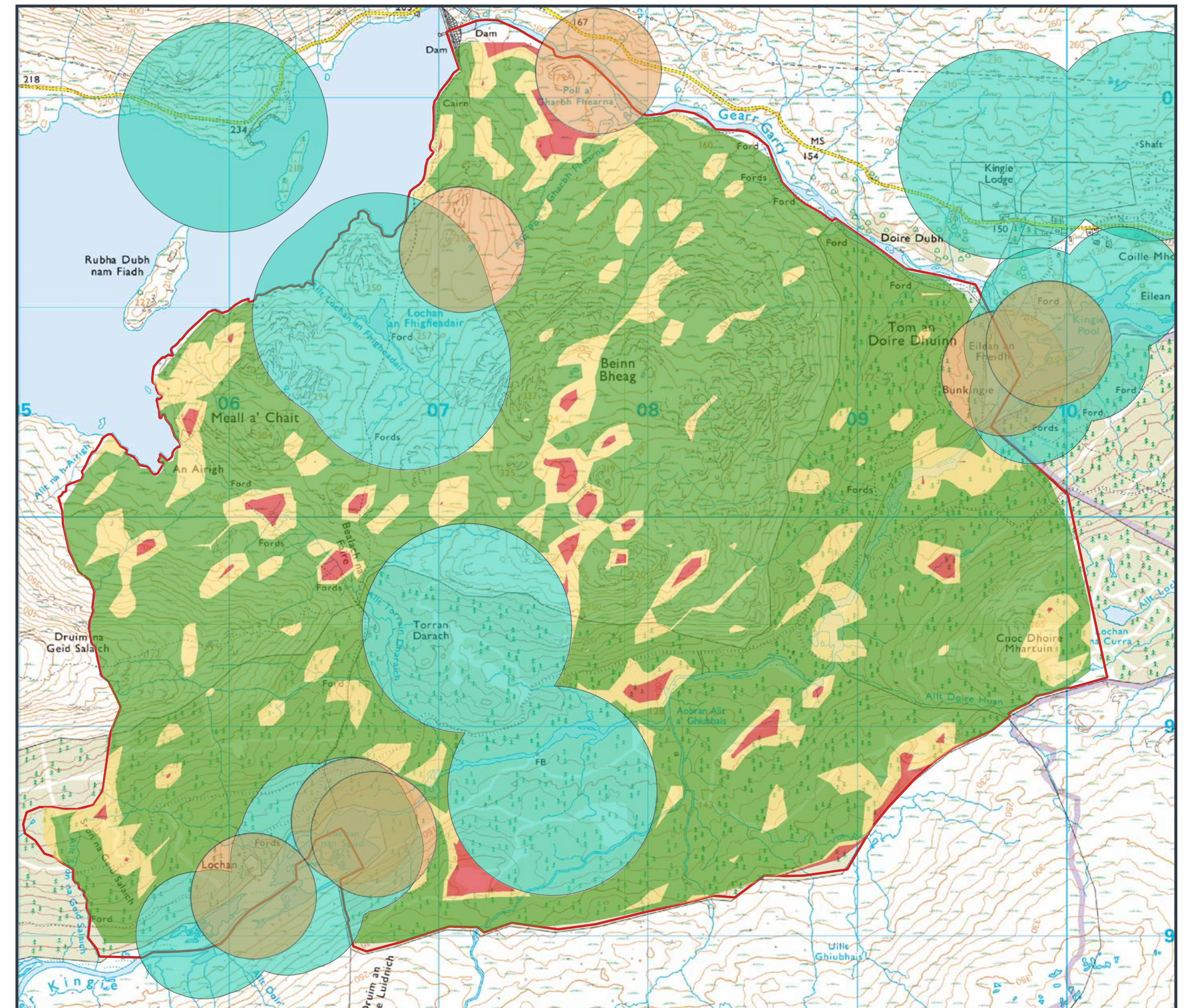
Environmental considerations

Peat

Initial peat depth surveys and assessments have been undertaken across the site to inform the early site layout. This work has been carried out in accordance with the current Scottish Government and NatureScot's good practice guidance on wind farm construction.

A further phase of more detailed peat surveys is proposed following further refinement of the infrastructure layout and a Peat Management Plan will be developed over the coming months.

The approach to peat will aim to avoid impacts and, where this is not possible, will seek appropriate re-use options to minimise any impacts, and facilitate habitat restoration or enhancement where possible.

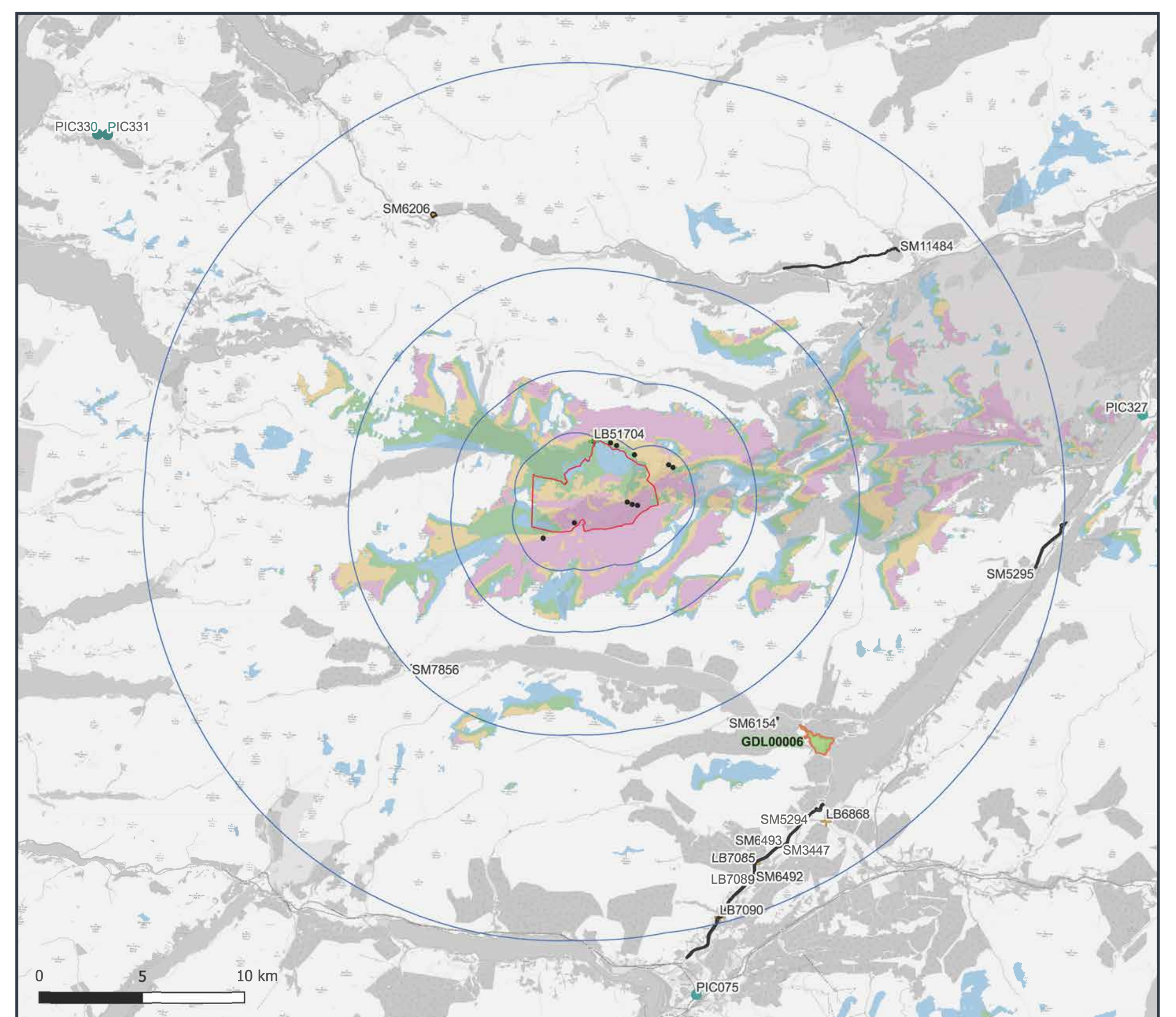


Key
Developable Land Boundary
Peat Depth Interpolation Results
< 50cm - Peaty Soils
50cm - 100cm - Peat
> 100cm - Deep Peat
Ornithology Constraints 2023
Ornithology Constraints April 2024

Cultural Heritage

The cultural heritage of an area comprises archaeological sites, historic buildings, inventoried gardens and designed landscapes, inventoried battlefields and other historic environment features. As part of Scoping, a Setting Assessment has been carried out, considering all heritage assets within 20km of the site to identify whether it is likely that their cultural significance could be affected as a result of the wind farm proposal.

It has been proposed to consultees that assessment of Archaeology and Cultural Heritage is scoped out of the EIA as no significant effects are anticipated upon either the physical fabric and settings of heritage assets within the site, or on the cultural significance of assets within the wider landscape. In place of a Cultural Heritage EIA Report chapter, a standalone Heritage Impact Assessment report is proposed in order to identify any potential physical impacts which would form a basis for a programme of mitigation.



KEY
Site Boundary
2km, 5km, 10km 20km Study Area
Properties in Care (PIC)
Gardens and Designed Landscapes
Scheduled Monuments
Listed Buildings
Category A
Category B
Category C
Historic Environment Record (HER)
Zone of Theoretical Visibility
1-7 hubs visible
8-14 hubs visible
15-21 hubs visible
22-28 hubs visible
no visibility