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# **EXISTING UTILITIES APPRAISAL REPORT** For 12 & 14 EDHILL AVENUE, SIMONSIDE, **SOUTH SHIELDS NE34 9BJ**

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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Further to the written instruction dated 18 November 2013 from South Tyneside Homes (STH), Johnson Poole and Bloomer Limited (JPB) is pleased to present an Existing Utilities Appraisal Report for the site known as 12 & 14 Edhill Avenue, South Shields. The site's general location and site boundaries and layout are shown on JPB Drawings NB503/01 and NB503/02, respectively.
- 1.2 The site comprises 12 and 14 Edhill Avenue, a pair of semi detached properties in the Simonside area of South Shields, approximately 2.5km to the southwest of Jarrow town centre. Occupying an area of approximately 0.095ha, the site is rectangular shaped in plan view, with its longest axis orientated northeast to southwest. The site and its surroundings are generally level at an elevation of approximately 23m above ordnance datum (AOD).
- 1.3 This report has been written for STH and is required in order to identify the existing utility supplies to the site. At the time of writing it is understood that STH is considering the redevelopment of the site for residential use. This will be a design and build contract, and therefore, a proposed development site layout has not been provided by STH. Therefore, no accurate assessment of the future utility requirements for the site can be made at this stage.
- 1.4 This report and related documents have been prepared for the sole use of the specified client in response to an agreed brief, for a stated purpose and at a particular time and its application must be made accordingly. No duty of care extends to any other party who may make use of the information contained therein, without prior written confirmation. The information discussed in Section 6 General of this report should be consulted and noted.

# 2.0 PURPOSE, AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF APPRAISAL

- 2.1 The main purpose of this appraisal is to identify the utilities present on site and to assist the Local Planning Authority in the consideration of service connection issues at the time of an application for development on site.
- 2.2 Information relating to the existing services on site has been collated through Linesearch land search and the provision of service location plans directly from the Asset owners / connection providers. The objective has been to provide baseline information against which future changes can be compared.
- 2.3 The principal aim of the appraisal is to review the existing utility networks, determine their locations and assess the potential to serve a new development. This appraisal will consider gas, potable water, drainage and sewerage, electricity and telecommunications.

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#### 3.0 EXISTING UTILITIES

#### 3.1 Water

- 3.1.1 The asset owner in the area is Northumbrian Water (NW) and they supply potable water and maintain the network in the vicinity of the site.
- 3.1.2 The records supplied by NW indicate that there are no public water mains within the site boundaries. The supply to the site is therefore likely to be a private connection from the public HDPE water main, 125mm in diameter, which runs along the opposite side of Edhill Avenue to the site.
- 3.1.3 The NW supplied plans are presented in Appendix A.

## 3.2 Drainage and Sewerage

- 3.2.1 The asset owner in the area is Northumbrian Water (NW) and they maintain the network in the vicinity of the site.
- 3.2.2 The records supplied by NW indicate that there are no public sewers or drainage within the site boundaries. The sewerage from the site is therefore likely to be via private connection to the vitreous clay combined (foul and surface water sewer) 300mm in diameter, which runs along the opposite side of Edhill Avenue.
- 3.2.3 The NW supplied plans are presented in Appendix A.

#### 3.3 Gas

- 3.3.1 The asset owner in the area is Northern Gas Networks (NGN) and they maintain the network in the vicinity of the site.
- 3.3.2 The records supplied by NGN indicate that a 4" SI low pressure main enters the site from Edhill Avenue at the southwestern corner. This is adjacent to the public footpath in the front garden area of 14 Edhill Avenue.
- 3.3.3 The NGN supplied plans are presented in Appendix B.

## 3.4 Electricity

- 3.4.1 The asset owner in the area is Northern Powergrid (NP) and they maintain the network in the vicinity of the site.
- 3.4.2 The records supplied by NP indicate that a number of underground cables, including high voltage 11kV, run along the boundary between 14 and 16 Edhill Avenue. These cables lead to a sub station adjacent to the southeast of the rear garden area of 12 and 14 Edhill Avenue. These may present a constraint to redevelopment.

3.4.3 The NP supplied plans are presented in Appendix C.

## 3.5 Telecommunications

3.5.1 The asset owner in the area is BT and they maintain the network in the vicinity of the site.

3.5.2 The records supplied by BT Openreach indicate underground cables to run from 12 Edhill Avenue to the public footpath of Edhill Avenue, before turning northwest and running along the footpath before turning west beneath Edhill Avenue to join further cables on the far side of Edhill Avenue, adjacent to Ranson Crescent.

3.5.3 The BT Openreach plan does not show any overhead plant on or in the vicinity of the site. However, during the site inspection undertaken by JPB on 18 November 2013, overhead telecommunications cables were noted to extend from 12 Edhill Avenue and cross Edhill Avenue towards no. 17.

3.5.4 The BT Openreach supplied plans are presented in Appendix D.

#### 4.0 NEW SUPPLIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE

4.1 The form of the proposed redevelopment at Edhill Avenue is currently unknown, although it will be residential. At this stage, the utility requirements cannot be accurately predicted. This could be completed as soon as the detailed development proposals are made available.

4.2 Developer enquiries will need to be made to each individual utility supplier to determine the feasibility and capacity of new connections and infrastructure, when the final proposed development details are known.

#### 5.0 CONCLUSIONS

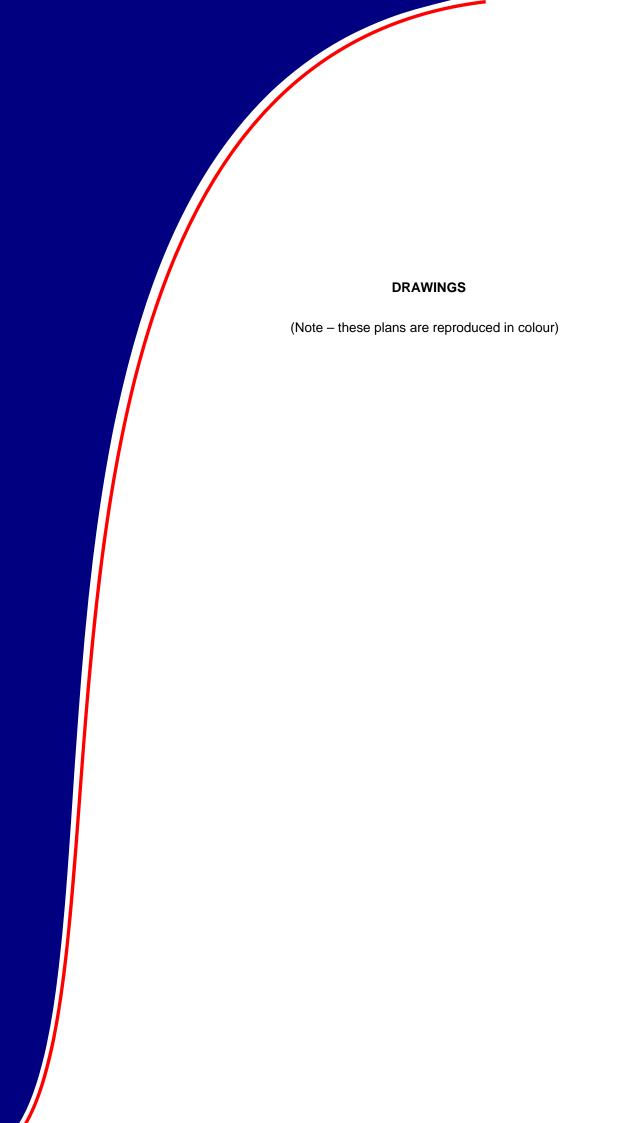
5.1 There are existing water mains, sewerage, low pressure gas mains, electric cables, including high voltage, and BT infrastructure within close proximity of the site and its boundaries.

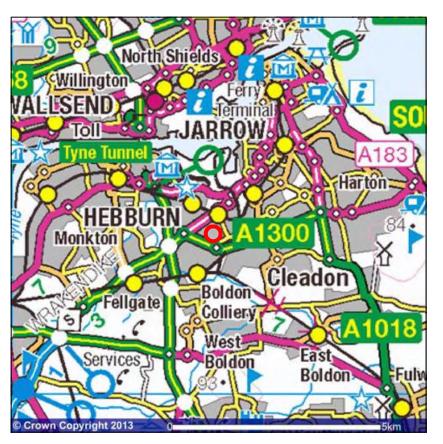
5.2 In the event of redevelopment for residential purposes, it is anticipated at this stage that only minor diversions / re-connections of existing services will be required. It is recommended that once the detailed development proposals are available, the Developer enquiries are made to the utility suppliers and estimates of loads required are prepared to assist in the further negotiations with the utility suppliers.

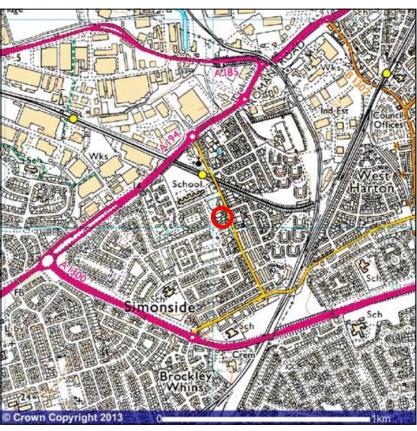
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#### 6.0 GENERAL

- 6.1 Whilst confident in the findings of our report we are unable to give an assurance that they will be accepted by the authorities without question. We therefore advise that where appropriate our report and associated matters are submitted to approving bodies and approval obtained or sought before detailed design, site works or other irrevocable action is embarked upon.
- 6.2 The recommendations contained in this report do not constitute any form of specification for the undertaking of the works required.
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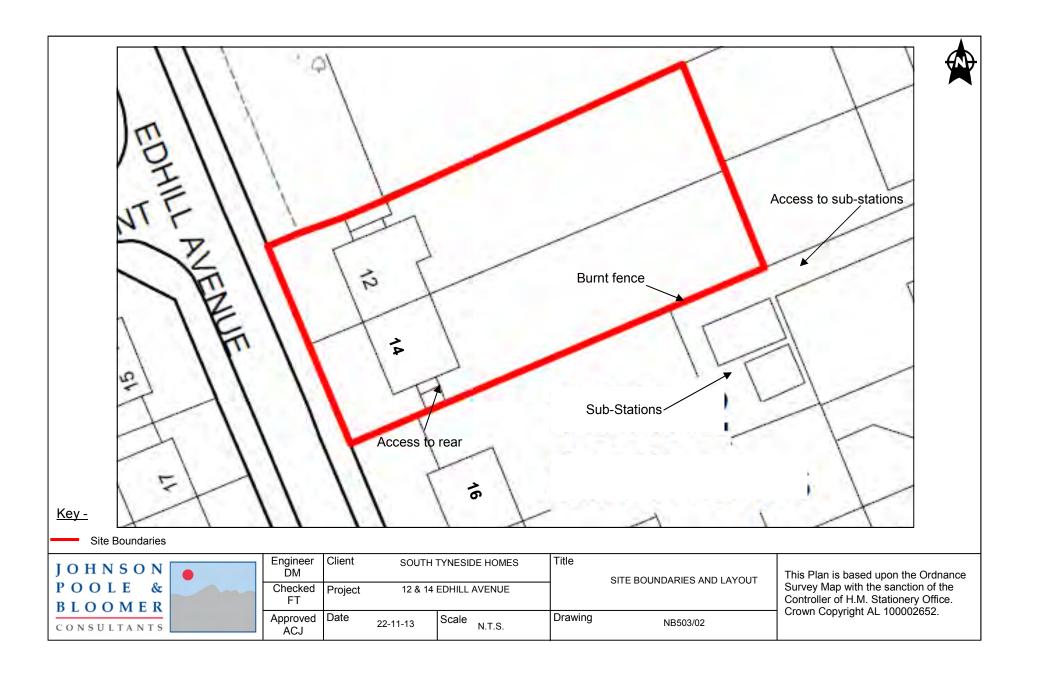
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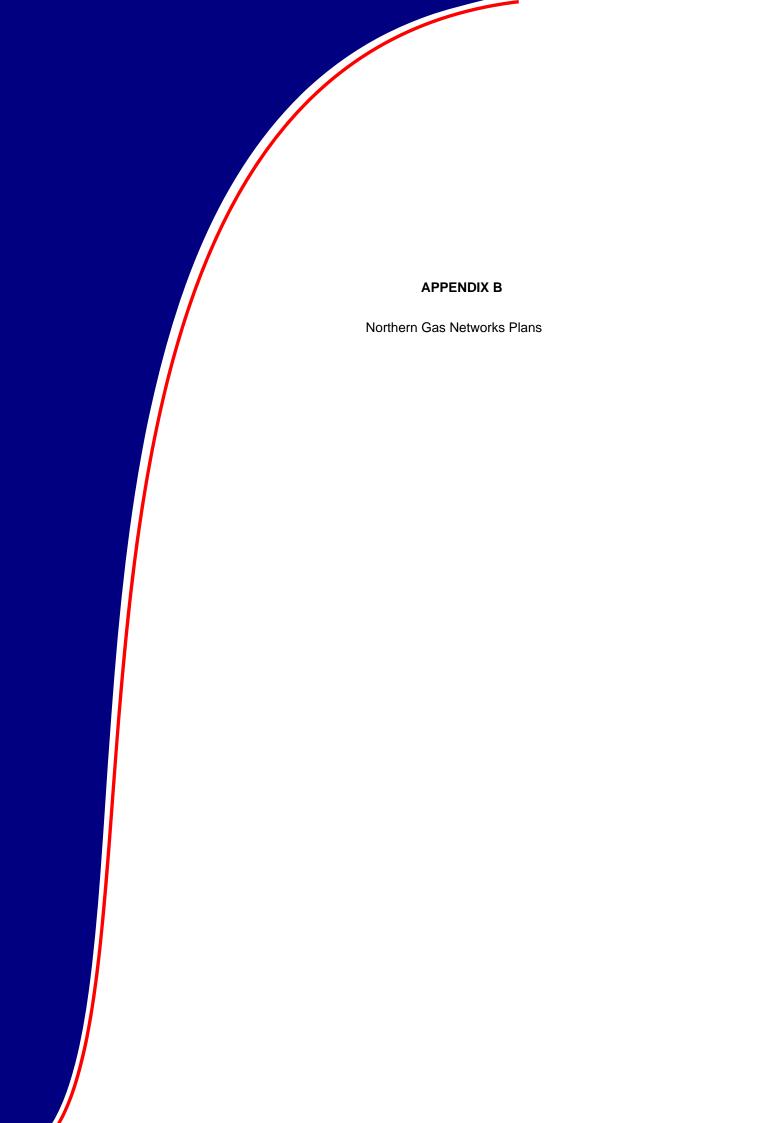


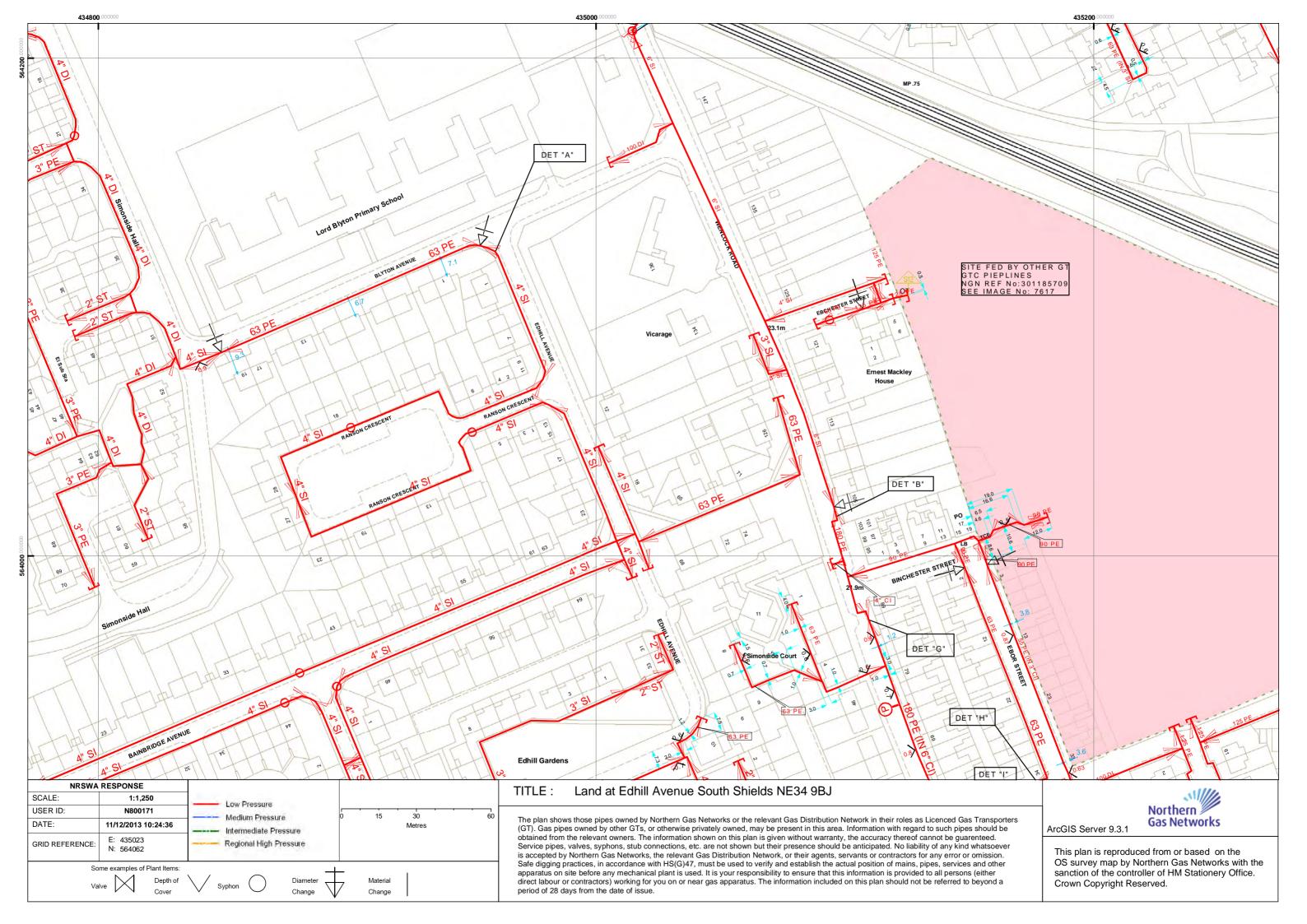
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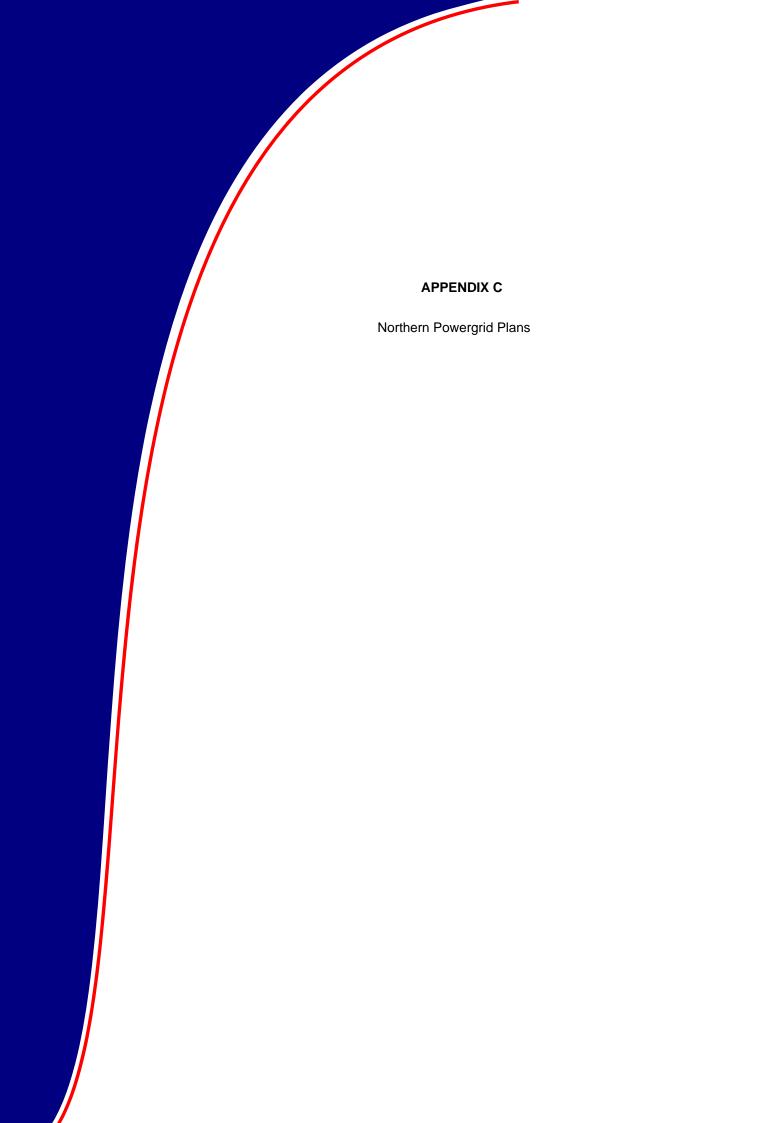
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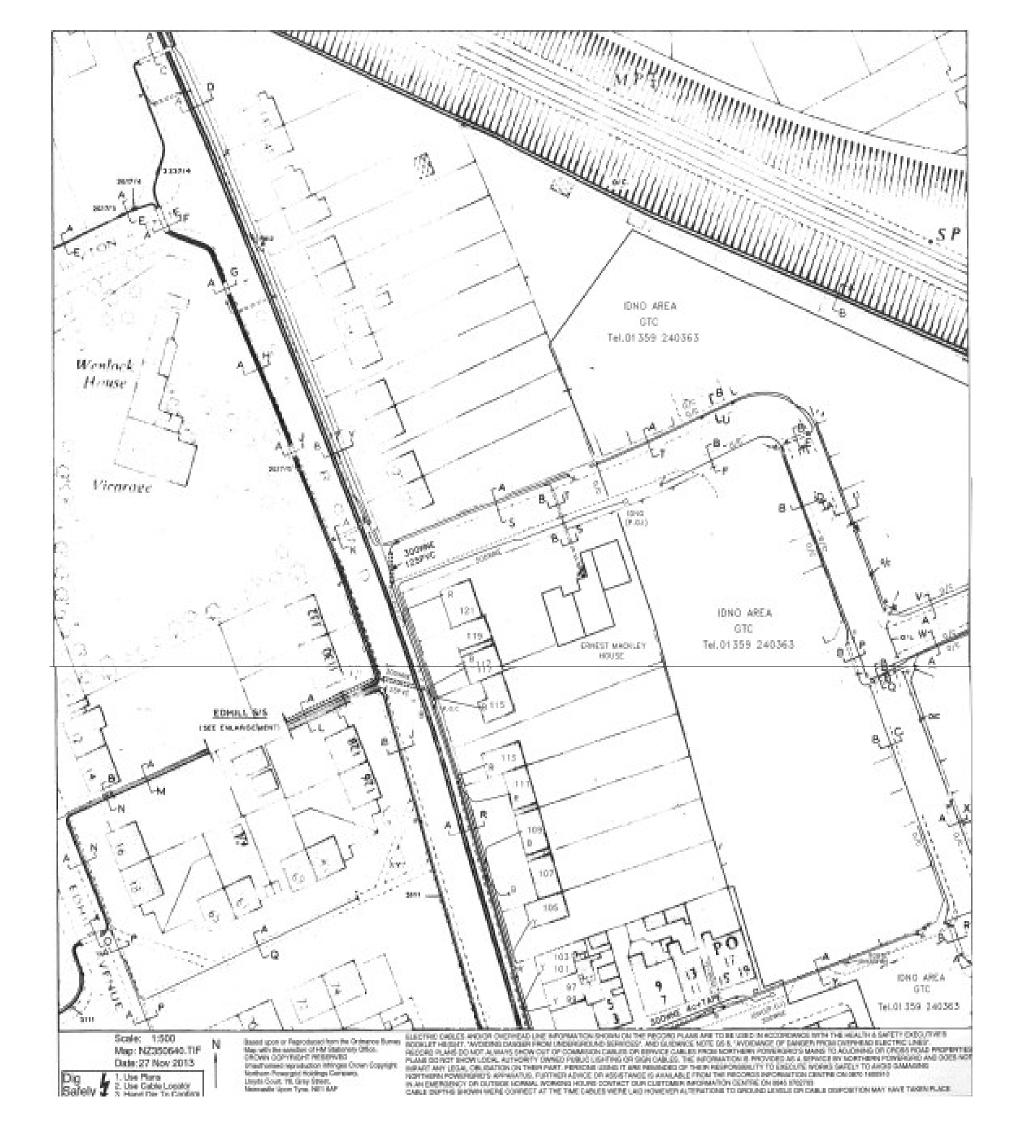
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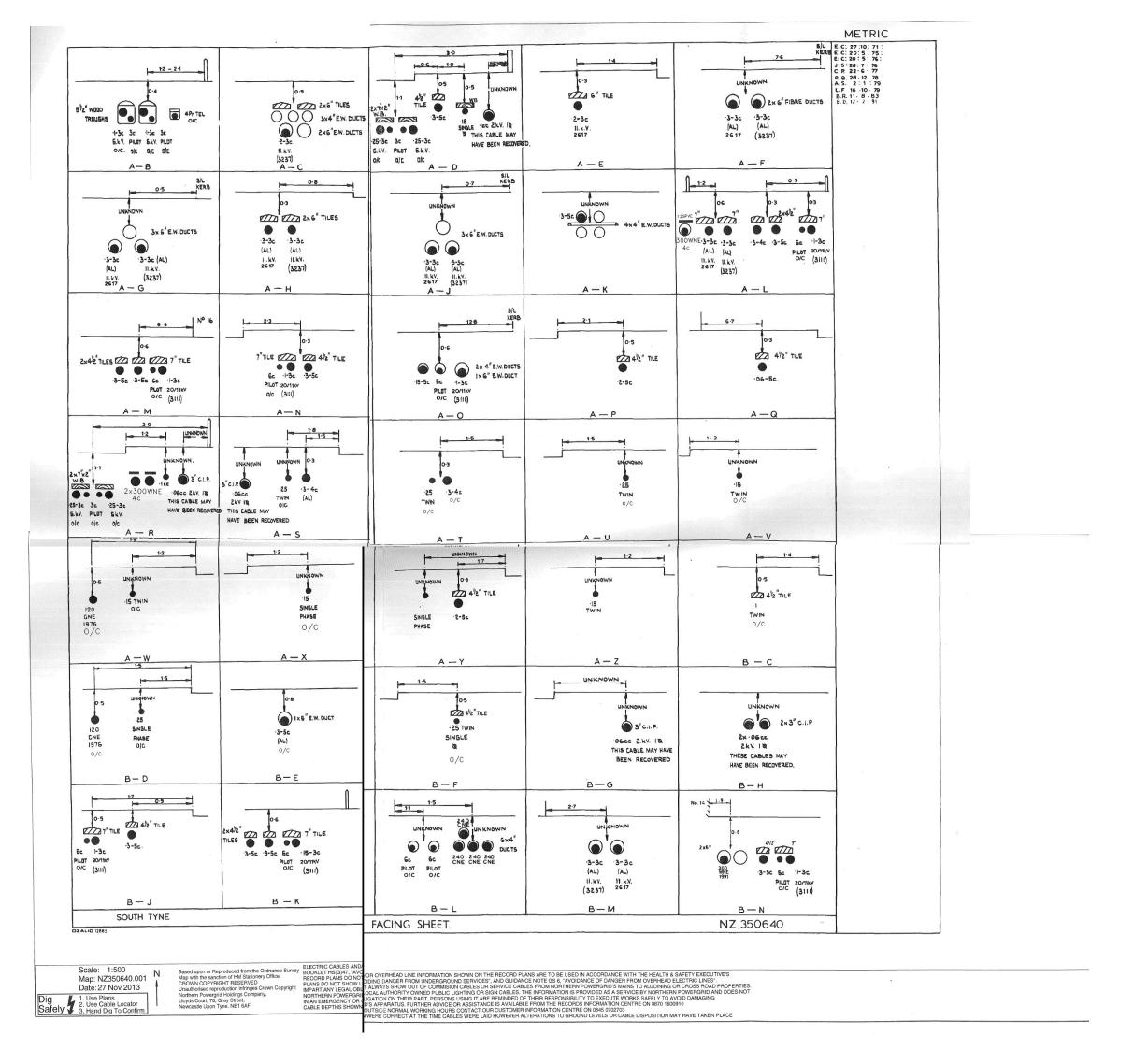


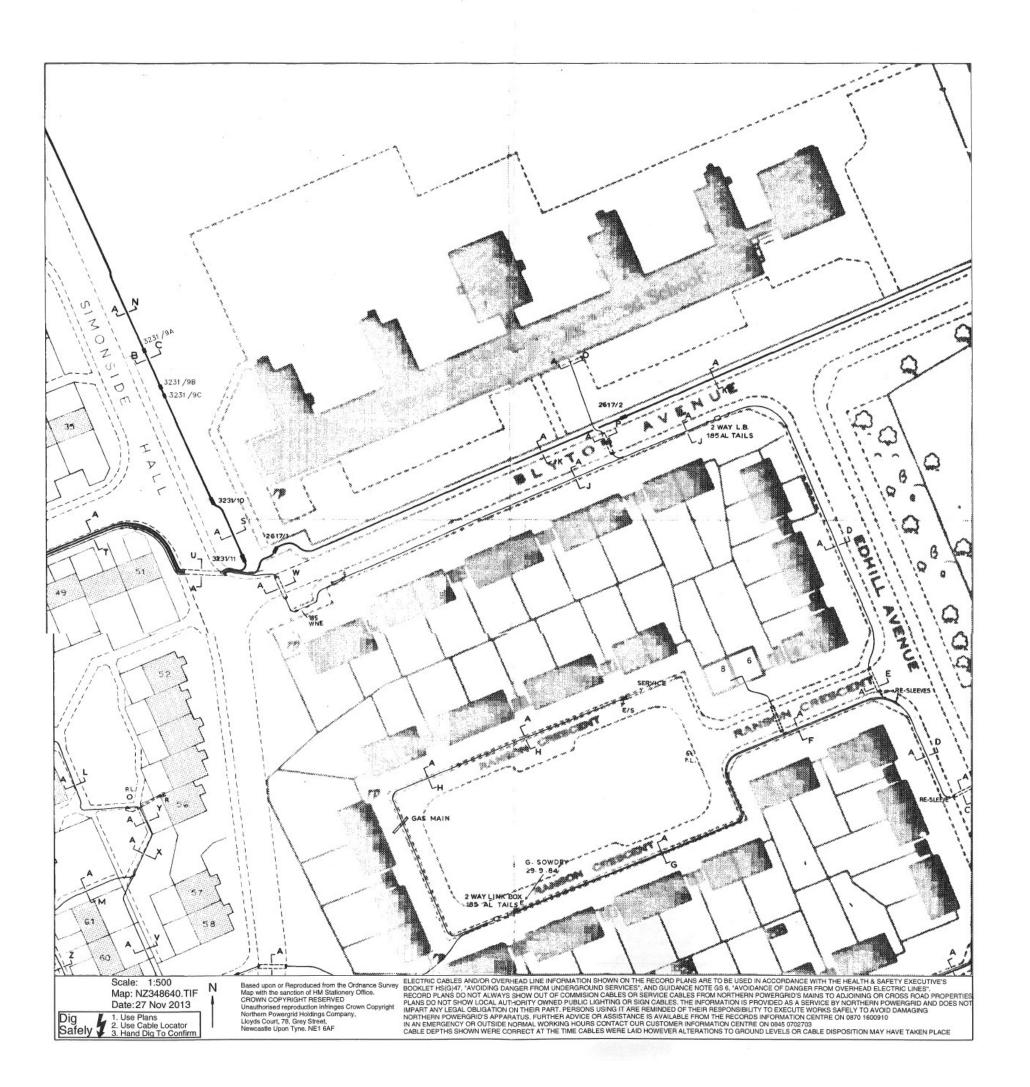




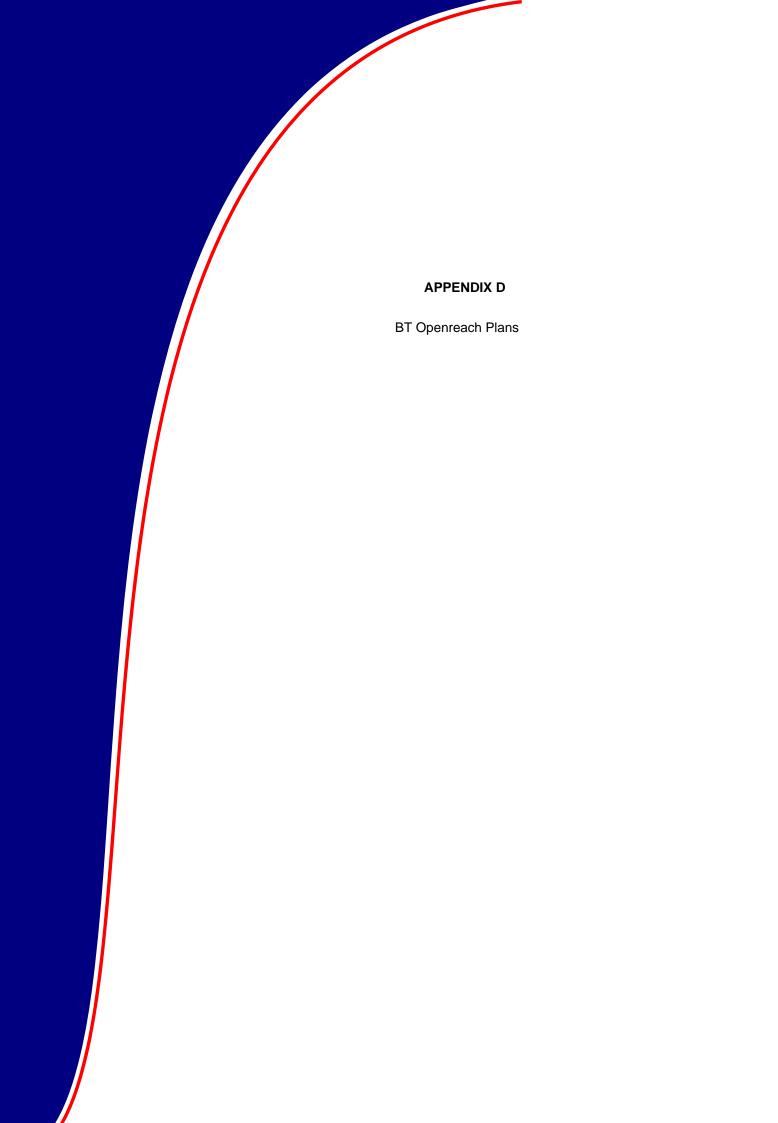












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