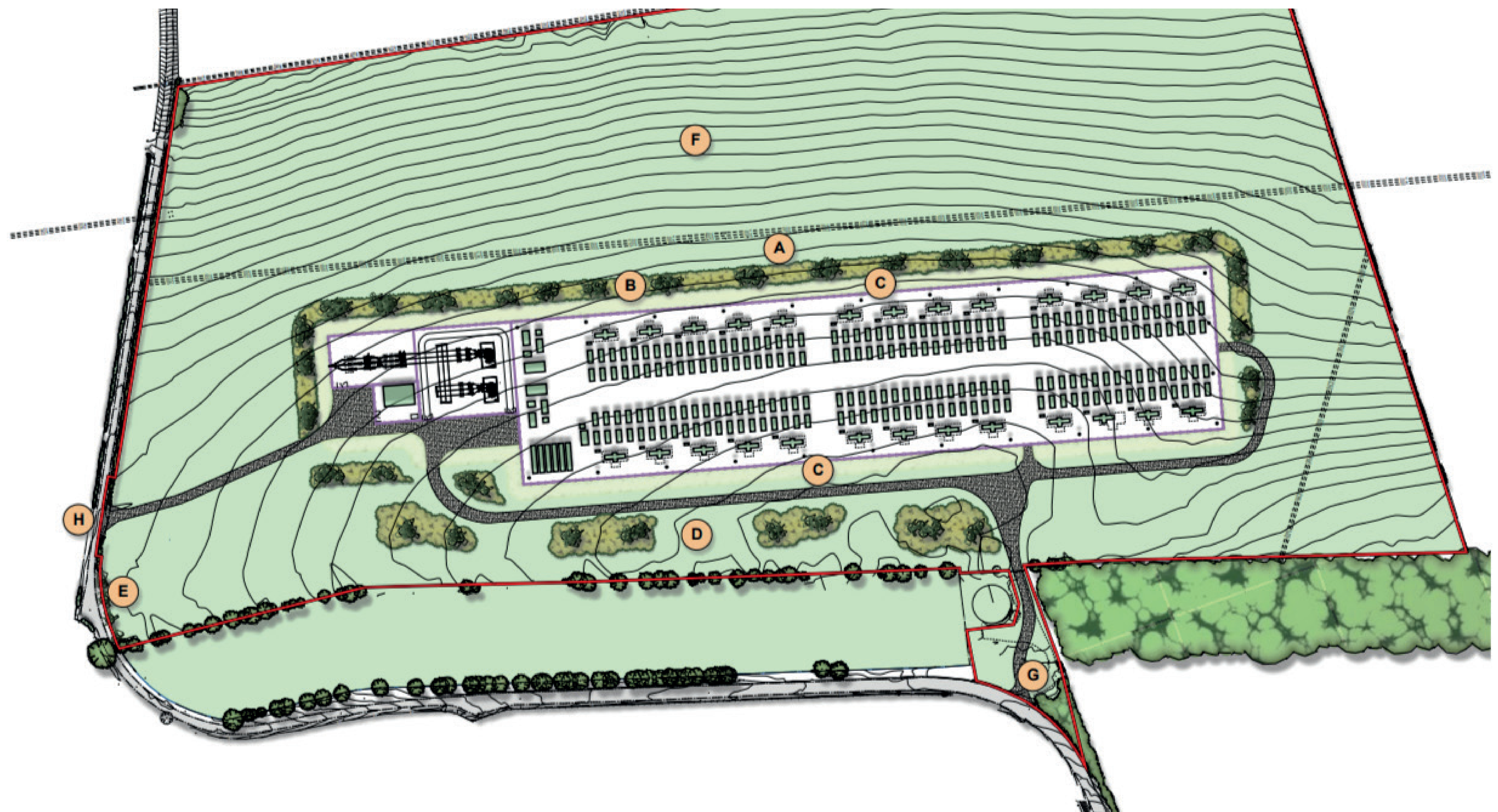


Landscaping and biodiversity enhancement

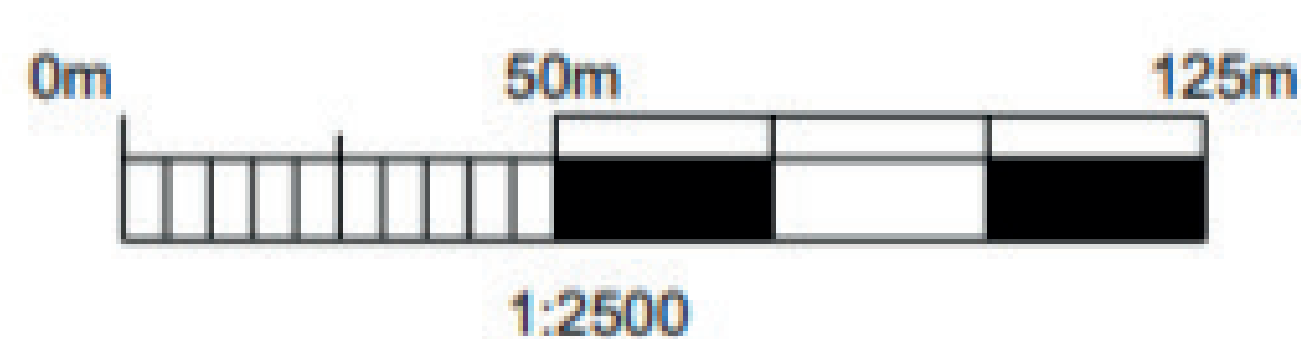
The Westport project is being specifically designed to include comprehensive landscaping measures to reduce potential visibility of the scheme.

As with all RES developments, our goal is to deliver a biodiversity net gain as part of the development. Our draft landscape plan is shown below. As we are still consulting, the plan is subject to change.



Landscape Strategy

- A** Maintain a 15m width between the existing overhead wires and any form of development, including new landscaping.
- B** To mitigate potential views from the north, a proposed belt of native shrub and tree planting is to be implemented along the northern boundary of the site and to wrap around the eastern and western corners.
- C** Areas affected by earthworks i.e regrading, to facilitate the development, to be reinstated with a wildflower grass seed mix to aid biodiversity.
- D** Pockets of woodland planting to be included between the existing woodland belt and the proposed development to filter potential views of the development from the adjacent road to the south. Planting to be native species, initially planted as whips with occasional trees planted throughout to provide some coverage until planting establishes. Understorey within planting areas to be sown with shade tolerant grass seed mix. Tree / shrub guards to be installed in all new planting areas.
- E** New native hedgerow to be planted along the western boundary with the local road where currently missing. All new and existing hedgerow along western boundary to be managed to a height of 3m for the duration of the development.
- F** Remainder of existing field to be managed as farmland.
- G** Existing access point to be adjusted.
- H** Proposed access point using existing field gate. Visibility splay lines and localised widening to require loss of c. 13m length of existing hedgerow.



Legend

- Proposed Development
- Existing trees and vegetation
- Existing farmland
- Proposed wildflower grassland
- Proposed native shrub planting
- Proposed tree planting
- Proposed aggregate access track
- Proposed 2.4m high palisade security fencing
- Existing overhead electric
- Proposed building / structure.

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