Notice to Mariners

Overview

Please be advised that XOCEAN, on behalf of Bellrock Offshore Wind Farm Limited, are continuing a geophysical survey "the **Geophysical Survey**" within a potential offshore cable export corridor associated the Bellrock Offshore Wind Farm. The Geophysical Survey is estimated to take 60 days to complete (between 9 August 2026 and 30 November 2026 allowing for weather and operational constraint).The Geophysical Survey commenced on **9 August 2026**.

Please also be advised that INSPIRE, on behalf of Bellrock Offshore Wind Farm Limited, will be undertaking a benthic survey "the **Benthic Survey**" within the same potential offshore cable export corridor associated the Bellrock Offshore Wind Farm. The Benthic Survey is estimated to take up to 25 days to complete (between 14 September 2026 and 31 October 2026 allowing for weather and operational constraint).

This is an update to the Notice to Mariners issued on the 31 July 2026, to reflect additional vessel details for the **Geophysical Survey** and inclusion of the Benthic Survey. Further updates may be issued as the Geophysical Survey and Benthic Survey progresses. Separate Notice to Mariners will be published should alternative offshore cable export corridors be surveyed.

Description of the Geophysical Survey

The Geophysical Survey will be undertaken within the area shown on Figure 1, and Figure 2a to 2f and Table 1 below. Multiple vessels will be utilised during the Geophysical Survey:

- One geophysical survey vessel;
- Up to four unmanned surface vessels (USV) carrying geophysical survey equipment; and
- One support vessel.

Details of the vessels being used for the Geophysical Survey are provided in Table 2 below.

The Geophysical Survey vessel and USVs will be utilising hull-mounted and towed geophysical survey equipment which requires manoeuvring space. A non-geophysical support vessel for the USVs will also be utilised. The survey campaign is expected to take approximately 60 days to complete (between 9 August 2026 and 30 November 2026), subject to weather and operational constraints. Although the USVs are uncrewed, they are remotely piloted throughout their 24-hour operation, sending real time images and situational awareness data over satellite for monitoring. The situational awareness aids available are listed below.

Description of the Benthic Survey

The Benthic Survey will be undertaken within the area shown on Figure 1, and Figure 2a to 2f and Table 1 below. A single vessel will be utilised during the Benthic Survey:

Details of the vessel being used for the Benthic Survey is provided in Table 3 below.

The Benthic Survey will involve drop-down camera imagery and benthic grab sampling, and will be undertaken at each sampling location. Sampling locations will be distributed along the offshore export cable corridor shown in Figure 1 at approximately 1.5 km intervals. Around 130 sampling locations will be targeted.

The Benthic Survey will work around fishing gear, fishing vessel operators will not be requested to remove gear.

The Benthic Survey is expected to take approximately 25 days to complete (between 14 September 2026 and 31 October 2026), subject to weather and operational constraints.

Geophysical and Benthic Survey Area

The Geophysical Survey and Benthic Survey will be taken in the area shown in Figure 1 and Figures 2a to 2f, and within the coordinates provided in Table 1.

Figure 1: Location of the Geophysical and Benthic Survey Boundary

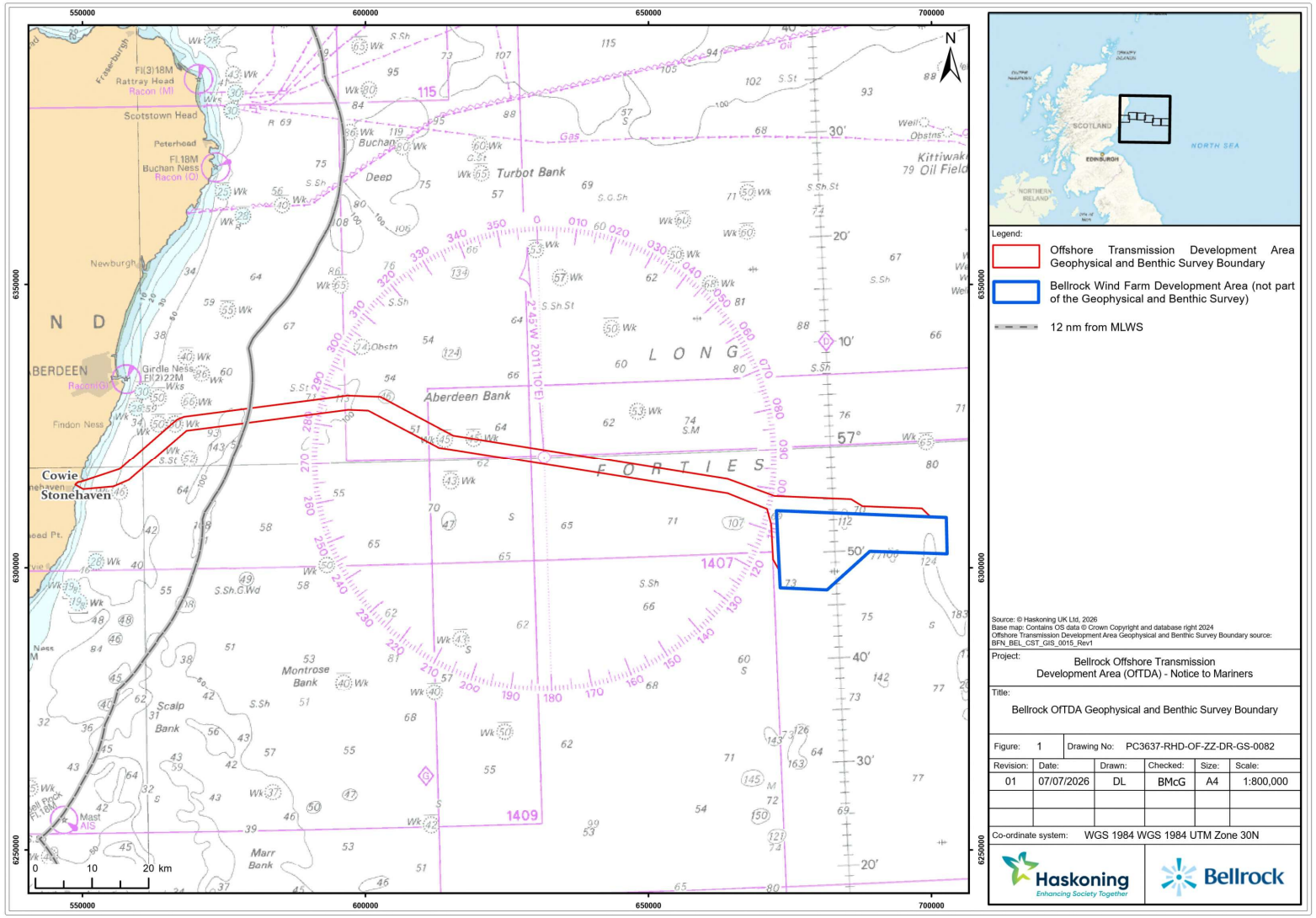
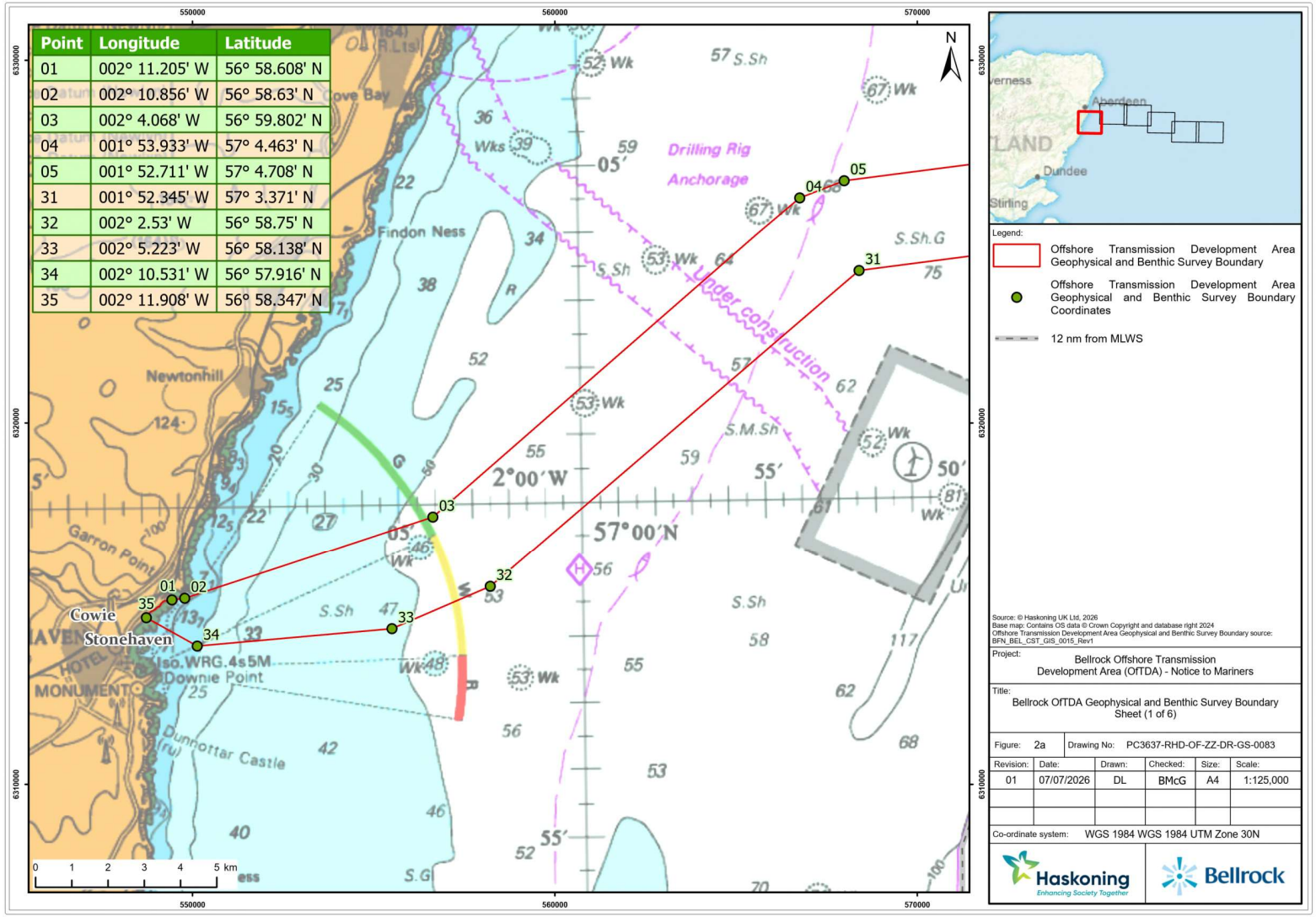


Figure 2a: Location of the Geophysical and Benthic Survey Boundary



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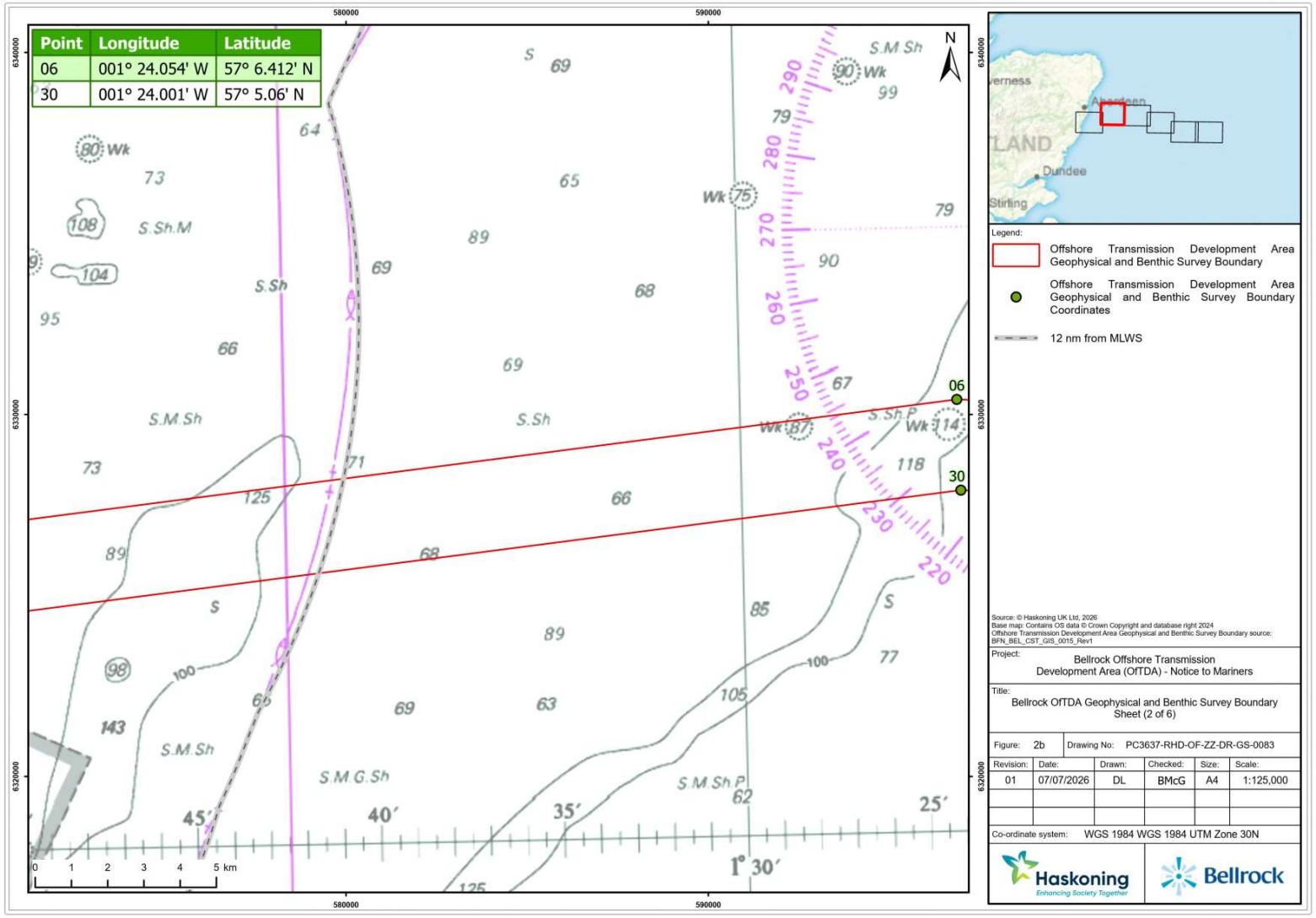

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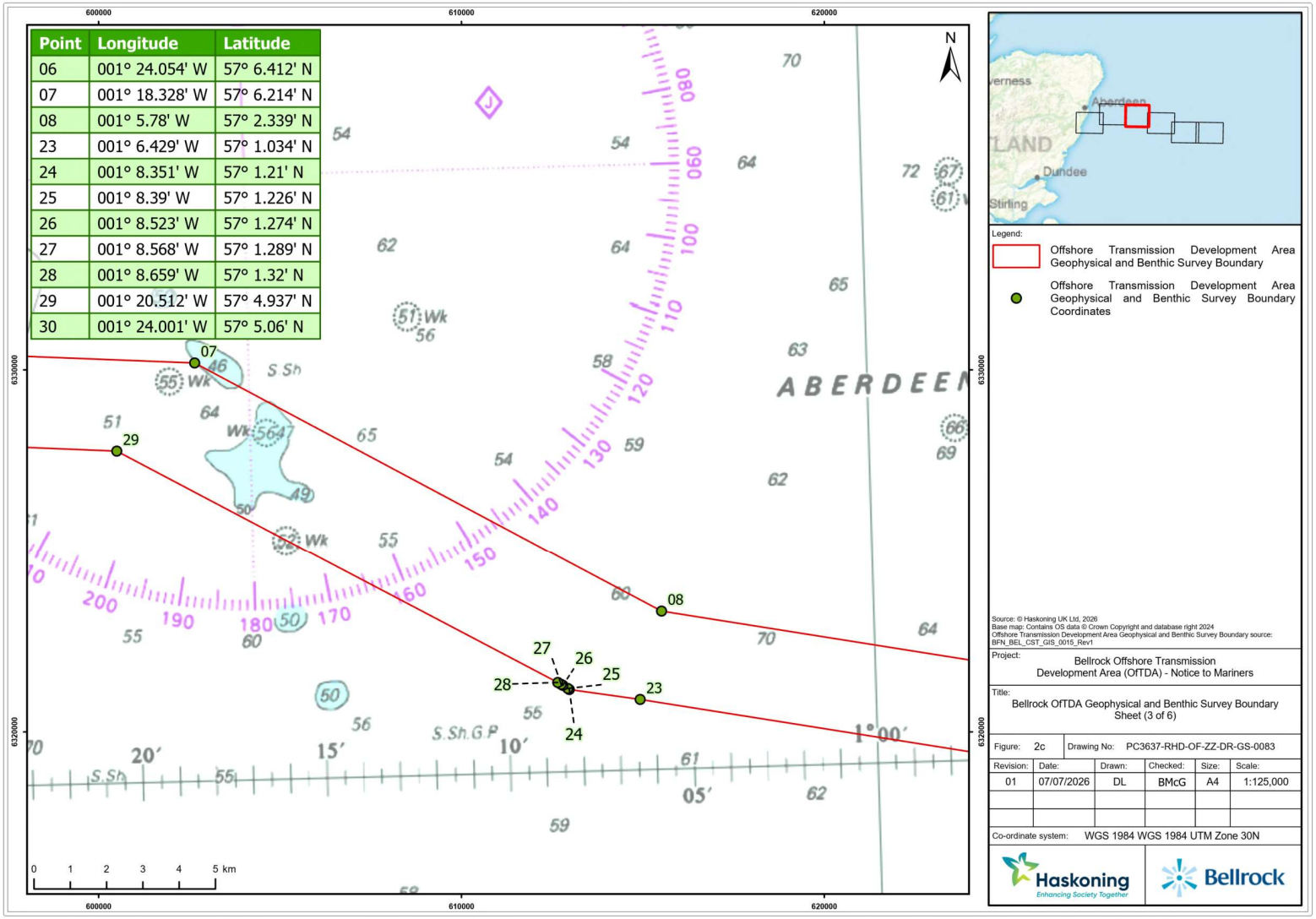
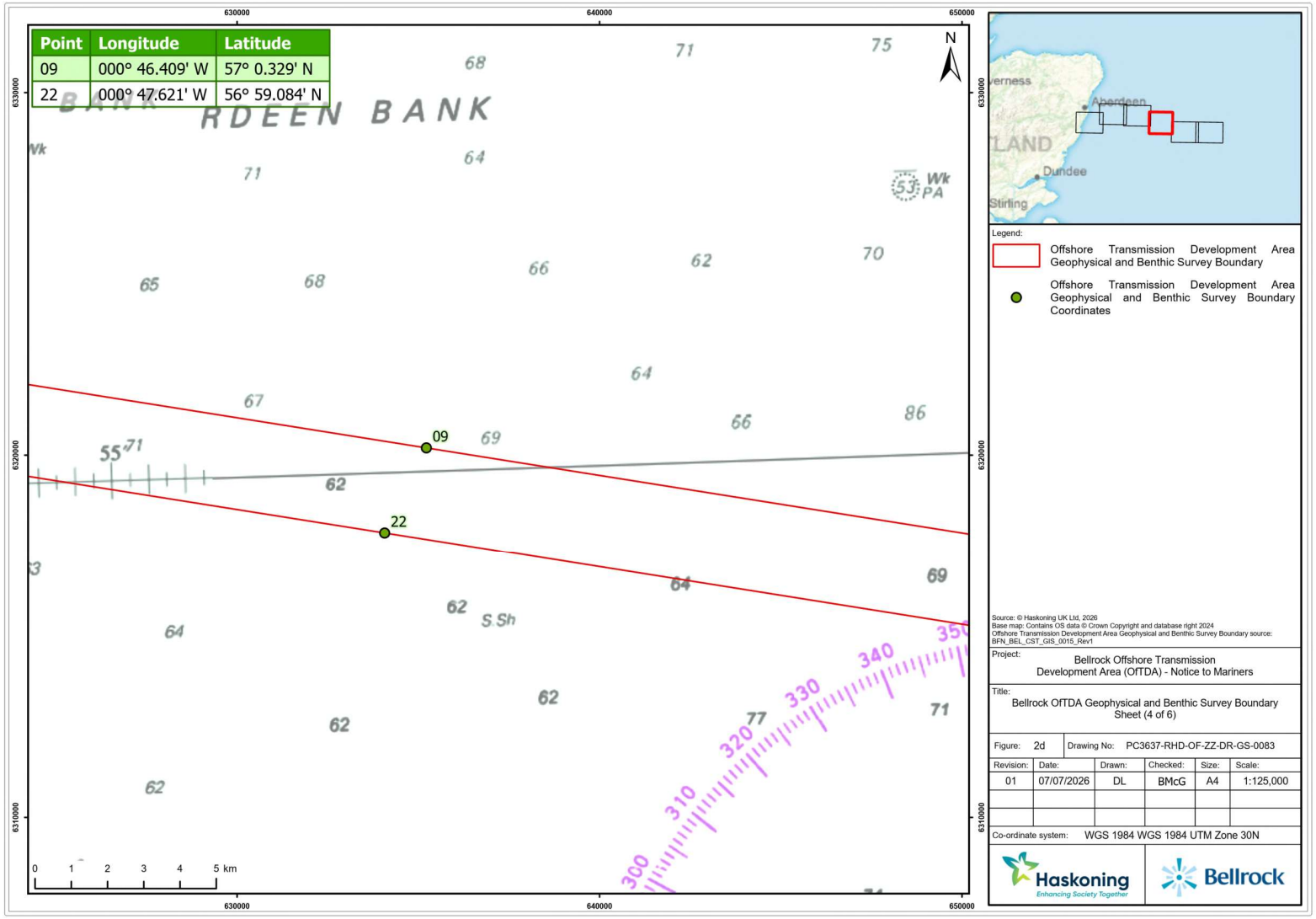


Figure 2d: Location of the Geophysical and Benthic Survey Boundary



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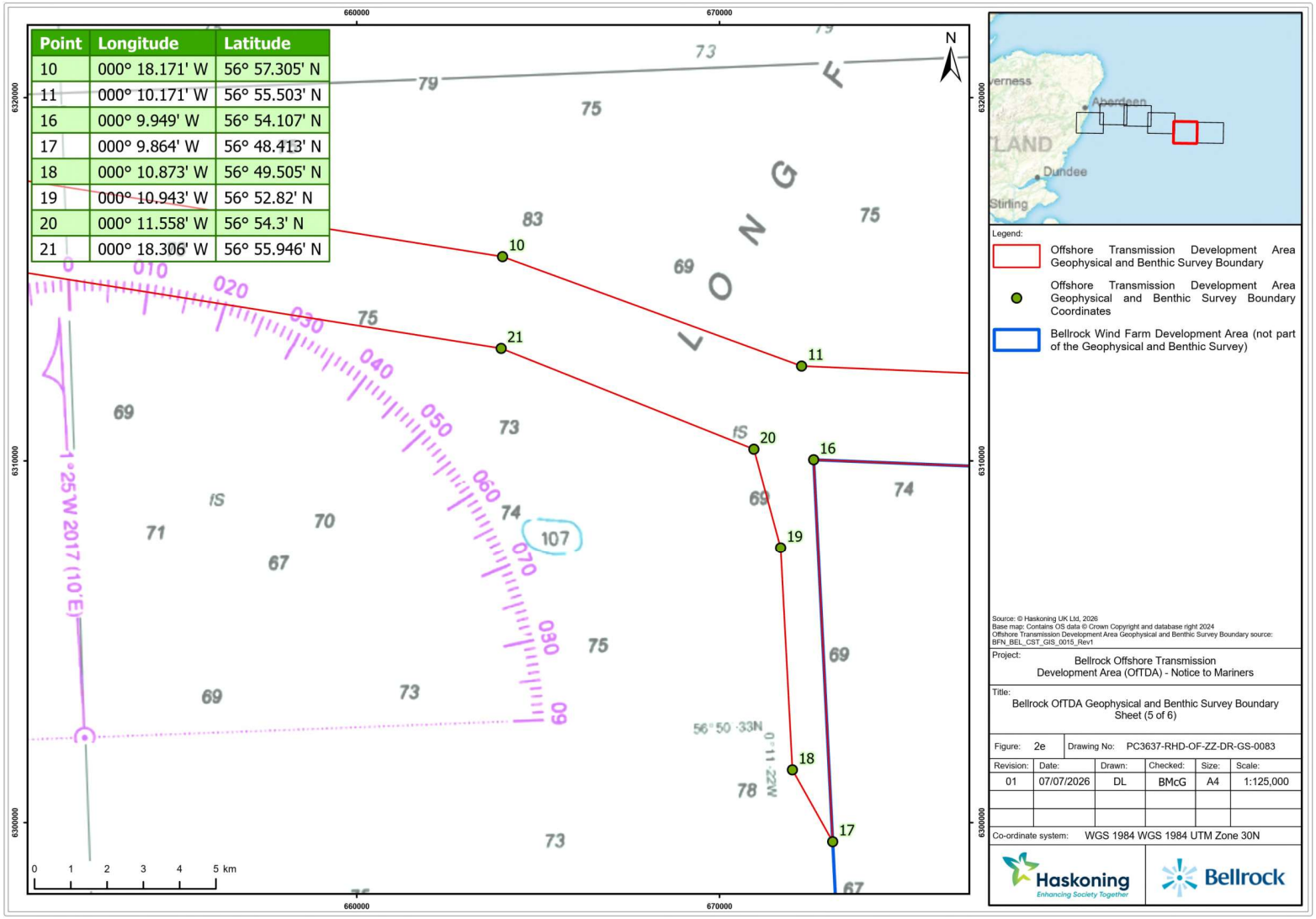

Figure 2f: Location of the Geophysical and Benthic Survey Boundary

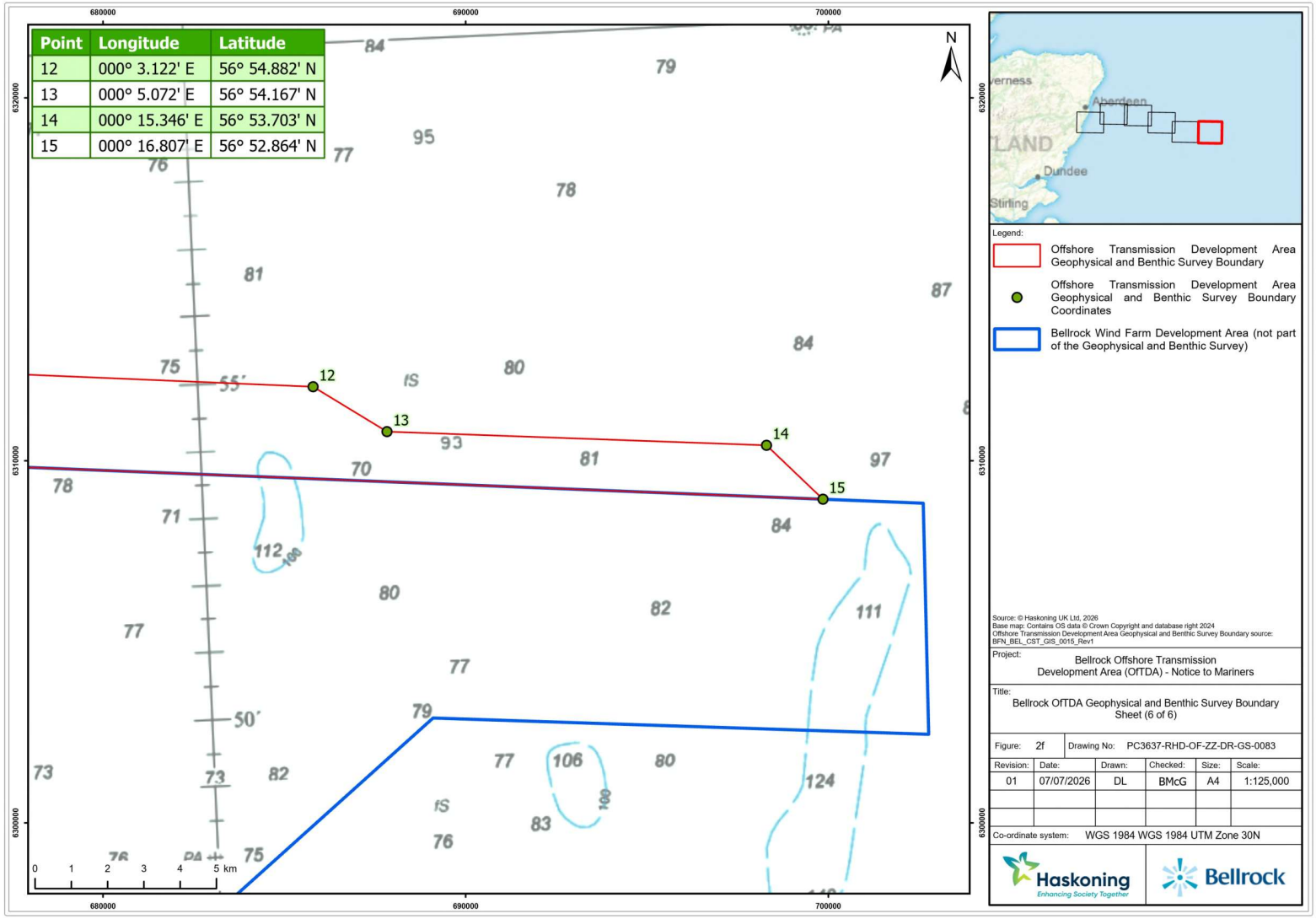

Table 1: Geophysical and Benthic Survey Boundary Coordinates

Decimal Degree Minutes (WGS84 UTM Zone 30N)			Easting/Northing (WGS84 UTM Zone 30N)		
Map ID	**Latitude**	**Longitude**	**Map ID**	**Easting**	**Northing**
1	002° 11.205' W	56° 58.608' N	1	549433	6315097
2	002° 10.856' W	56° 58.63' N	2	549786	6315143
3	002° 4.068' W	56° 59.802' N	3	556633	6317405
4	001° 53.933' W	57° 4.463' N	4	566756	6326205
5	001° 52.711' W	57° 4.708' N	5	567982	6326679
6	001° 24.054' W	57° 6.412' N	6	596858	6330416
7	001° 18.328' W	57° 6.214' N	7	602647	6330190
8	001° 5.78' W	57° 2.339' N	8	615514	6323336
9	000° 46.409' W	57° 0.329' N	9	635222	6320200
10	000° 18.171' W	56° 57.305' N	10	664019	6315622
11	000° 10.171' W	56° 55.503' N	11	672263	6312610
12	000° 3.122' E	56° 54.882' N	12	685793	6312039
13	000° 5.072' E	56° 54.167' N	13	687830	6310802
14	000° 15.346' E	56° 53.703' N	14	698295	6310425
15	000° 16.807' E	56° 52.864' N	15	699851	6308940
16	000° 9.949' W	56° 54.107' N	16	672595	6310031
17	000° 9.864' W	56° 48.413' N	17	673120	6299475
18	000° 10.873' W	56° 49.505' N	18	672010	6301457
19	000° 10.943' W	56° 52.82' N	19	671686	6307602
20	000° 11.558' W	56° 54.3' N	20	670948	6310321
21	000° 18.306' W	56° 55.946' N	21	663981	6313097
22	000° 47.621' W	56° 59.084' N	22	634070	6317852
23	001° 6.429' W	57° 1.034' N	23	614925	6320896
24	001° 8.351' W	57° 1.21' N	24	612972	6321170
25	001° 8.39' W	57° 1.226' N	25	612931	6321198
26	001° 8.523' W	57° 1.274' N	26	612794	6321285
27	001° 8.568' W	57° 1.289' N	27	612748	6321311
28	001° 8.659' W	57° 1.32' N	28	612654	6321365
29	001° 20.512' W	57° 4.937' N	29	600499	6327765
30	001° 24.001' W	57° 5.06' N	30	596971	6327910
31	001° 52.345' W	57° 3.371' N	31	568393	6324205
32	002° 2.53' W	56° 58.75' N	32	558217	6315476

Decimal Degree Minutes (WGS84 UTM Zone 30N)			Easting/Northing (WGS84 UTM Zone 30N)		
Map ID	**Latitude**	**Longitude**	**Map ID**	**Easting**	**Northing**
33	002° 5.223' W	56° 58.138' N	33	555505	6314302
34	002° 10.531' W	56° 57.916' N	34	550131	6313822
35	002° 11.908' W	56° 58.347' N	35	548727	6314605
Notes: GIS Source File: BFN_BEL_CST_GIS_0015, Rev 1					

Mariners are advised that the above coordinates can be provided in a plotter friendly format on request to the Fisheries Liaison Officer (contact details are provided below).

Safety Advice

It is requested that all vessels operating in proximity to the Geophysical Survey and Benthic Survey vessels keep a safe distance of at least 500 metres and pass at minimum speed/reduced wash.

The Benthic Survey vessel when engaged in sampling will be restricted in ability to manoeuvre. Should any vessel wish to come within 500 m of the vessel, then direct communication with the Master/Operator is required. The vessels will display the appropriate lights/day shapes for their operations.

During the Geophysical and Benthic Survey, a listening watch will be maintained on VHF Channel 16 and the appropriate channel as per requirements where operating within a port authority area.

Vessel Details

Table 2: Details of the Vessels Engaged in the Geophysical Survey

Vessel Name	IMO	Call Sign	MMSI	Vessel Contact	Email
X23	-	MMIM8	232044015	XOC Lead	xoc@xocean.com
X26	-	MOQM9	232052508	XOC Lead	xoc@xocean.com
X27	-	MOUE2	232053292	XOC Lead	xoc@xocean.com
X30	-	MRNT4	232059122	XOC Lead	xoc@xocean.com
X31	-	MSSJ2	232063411	XOC Lead	xoc@xocean.com
Geo Master	1103794	V7B2804	538012406	GeoMaster	geomaster.partychief@n-sea.com

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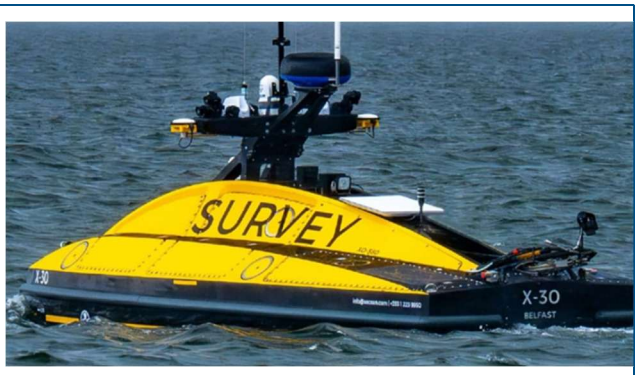

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Image: Geo Master

Table 3: Details of the Vessel Engaged in the Benthic Survey

Vessel Name	IMO	Call Sign	MMSI	Vessel Contact	Email/Contact Number
Curtis Marshall	9775012	2HWN3	235107219	B Marshall Marine Limited	info@bmarshallmarine.co.uk +44(0)1642 211234

Image: DSV Curtis Marshall

Contact Details

For more information on the Geophysical Survey and Benthic Survey please use the following contact details in Table 4.

Table 4: Contact Details

Fisheries Liaison Officer	**Company**	Brown & May Marine
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Geophysical Survey Company	**Company**	N-SEA
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