Project overview

The proposed Lawfield Energy Storage site is located on land close to the proposed Branxton Substation, between Oldhamstocks and Thorntonloch, East Lothian. The site is currently used for agricultural/grazing purposes.

The area containing the energy storage system infrastructure is not expected to exceed 12 hectares and the site lies outside of any international, national or local environmental designations.

If consented, the project would connect directly into the proposed Branxton substation.

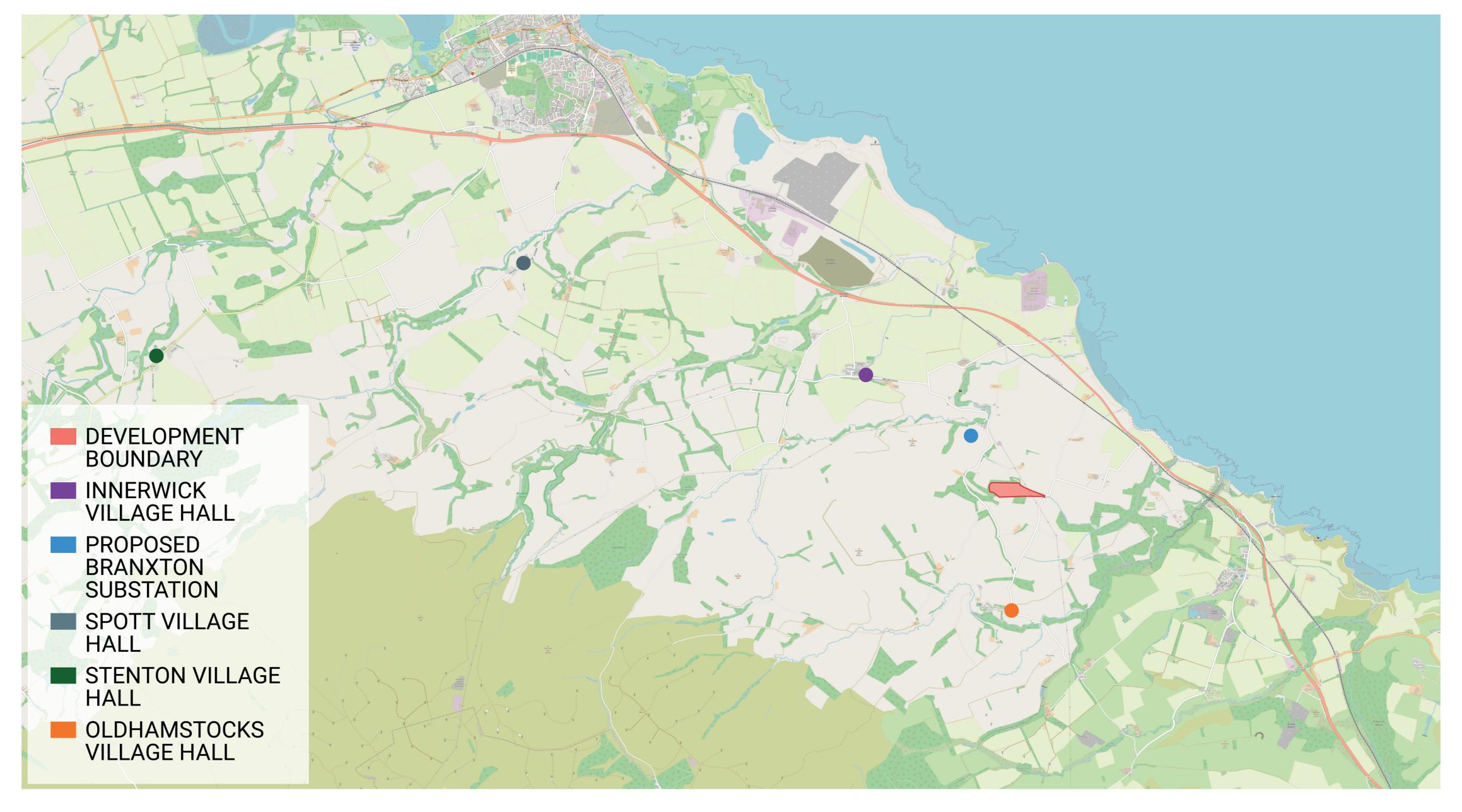
An energy storage system needs to be able to both import and export energy and whilst the availability of sites with sufficient import and export capacity is diminishing, the site is in an area with sufficient capacity on the grid network.

We will hold a second public exhibition in Autumn 2024, ahead of submitting any planning application, to present an updated design for the Lawfield proposal.

We will also refer to the written feedback received from this exhibition and explain any changes made to the design in response to the feedback.

The Lawfield proposal will have an installed generating capacity greater than 50MW. As such, the application for planning consent will be submitted by RES to the Scottish Government's Energy Consents Unit (ECU) under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 (the Electricity Act) and determined by Scottish Ministers. East Lothian Council will be a statutory consultee in the process. We currently expect to submit the Section 36 application around Autumn/Winter 2024.

Having undertaken initial site feasibility work we are now preparing for more detailed environmental and technical site survey work which will be carried out over the coming months to help inform the design. In line with this, we will shortly be submitting an Environmental Impact Assessment screening request to the ECU.



We are still consulting on the development boundary and as such, it is subject to change.

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