

HIGH SPEED RAIL (LONDON – WEST MIDLANDS) ACT 2017

HIGH SPEED RAIL (LONDON – WEST MIDLANDS) GENERAL VESTING DECLARATION No. 498

This **GENERAL VESTING DECLARATION** is executed on
by the Secretary of State for Transport (“the Authority”).

11th May 2021

WHEREAS:

- (1) On 23 February 2017 the High Speed Rail (London – West Midlands) Act 2017 (“the High Speed Rail Act”) received Royal Assent authorising the Authority to acquire the land specified in the Schedule hereto.
- (2) Section 4(1) of the High Speed Rail Act authorises the Authority to acquire compulsorily so much of the land within the limits of the High Speed Rail Act as may be required for Phase One purposes¹.
- (3) Section 8 of the High Speed Rail Act provides that the power under section 4(1) in relation to land may be exercised in relation to the subsoil or under-surface of the land only.
- (4) Section 4(4) of the High Speed Rail Act provides that the Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Act 1981 (“the 1981 Act”) applies as if the High Speed Rail Act were a compulsory purchase order and paragraph 3² of Schedule 6 to the High Speed Rail Act provides that the 1981 Act shall have effect subject to the modifications specified in that paragraph.
- (5) Notice pursuant to section 3A³ of the 1981 Act was first published on 15 February 2021. That notice included the particulars specified in section 3A(3) of the 1981 Act.

NOW THIS DEED WITNESSETH that, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 4 of the 1981 Act, the Authority hereby declares:-

1. The land described in the Schedule hereto (being part of the land authorised to be acquired by the High Speed Rail Act) and more particularly delineated and shown coloured yellow on the plan annexed hereto, together with the right to enter upon and take possession of the land, shall vest in the Authority as from the end of the period of 3 months from the date on which the service of notices required by section 6⁴ of the 1981 Act is completed.
2. For the purposes of Section 2(2) of the 1981 Act, the specified period in relation to the land comprised in this declaration is one year and one day.

1 Phase One Purposes has meaning given by section 67 of the High Speed Rail Act

2 Paragraph 3 as substituted by section 11 of, and paragraph 6 of Schedule 14 to, the High Speed Rail Act.

3 Section 3A of the 1981 Act as inserted by paragraph 3(a) of Schedule 6 to the High Speed Rail Act as substituted by section 11 of, and paragraphs 6 and 7 of Schedule 14 to, that Act.

4 Section 6 as modified by paragraph 3(c) of Schedule 6 to the High Speed Rail Act, as substituted by section 11 of, and paragraph 6 of Schedule 14 to, that Act

SCHEDULE

Buckinghamshire

(1) Plot No.	(2) Description
64457	All that stratum of subsoil that lies beneath 797.0 square metres, or thereabouts, of public road, verges and woodland (Gore Hill) the upper extremity of which is 81.0 metres above Ordnance Survey Datum and the lower extremity of which is 60.9 metres above Ordnance Survey Datum.
64458	All that stratum of subsoil that lies beneath 18391.3 square metres, or thereabouts, of agricultural land, hedgerow and public footpath (AMS/22/1) (Gore Hill) the upper extremity of which is 81.0 metres above Ordnance Survey Datum and the lower extremity of which is 58.7 metres above Ordnance Survey Datum.
64459	All that stratum of subsoil that lies beneath 13413.3 square metres, or thereabouts, of agricultural land and public footpath (AMS/21/3) (Gore Hill) the upper extremity of which is 78.8 metres above Ordnance Survey Datum and the lower extremity of which is 57.3 metres above Ordnance Survey Datum.
67029	All that stratum of subsoil that lies beneath 995.5 square metres, or thereabouts, of public road, verge and woodland (Whielden Lane) the upper extremity of which is 77.2 metres above Ordnance Survey Datum and the lower extremity of which is 57.3 metres above Ordnance Survey Datum.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Secretary of State for Transport has hereunto set its corporate seal on the day in the year first written above.

The **CORPORATE SEAL** of the SECRETARY OF STATE FOR TRANSPORT hereunto affixed to this deed is authenticated by

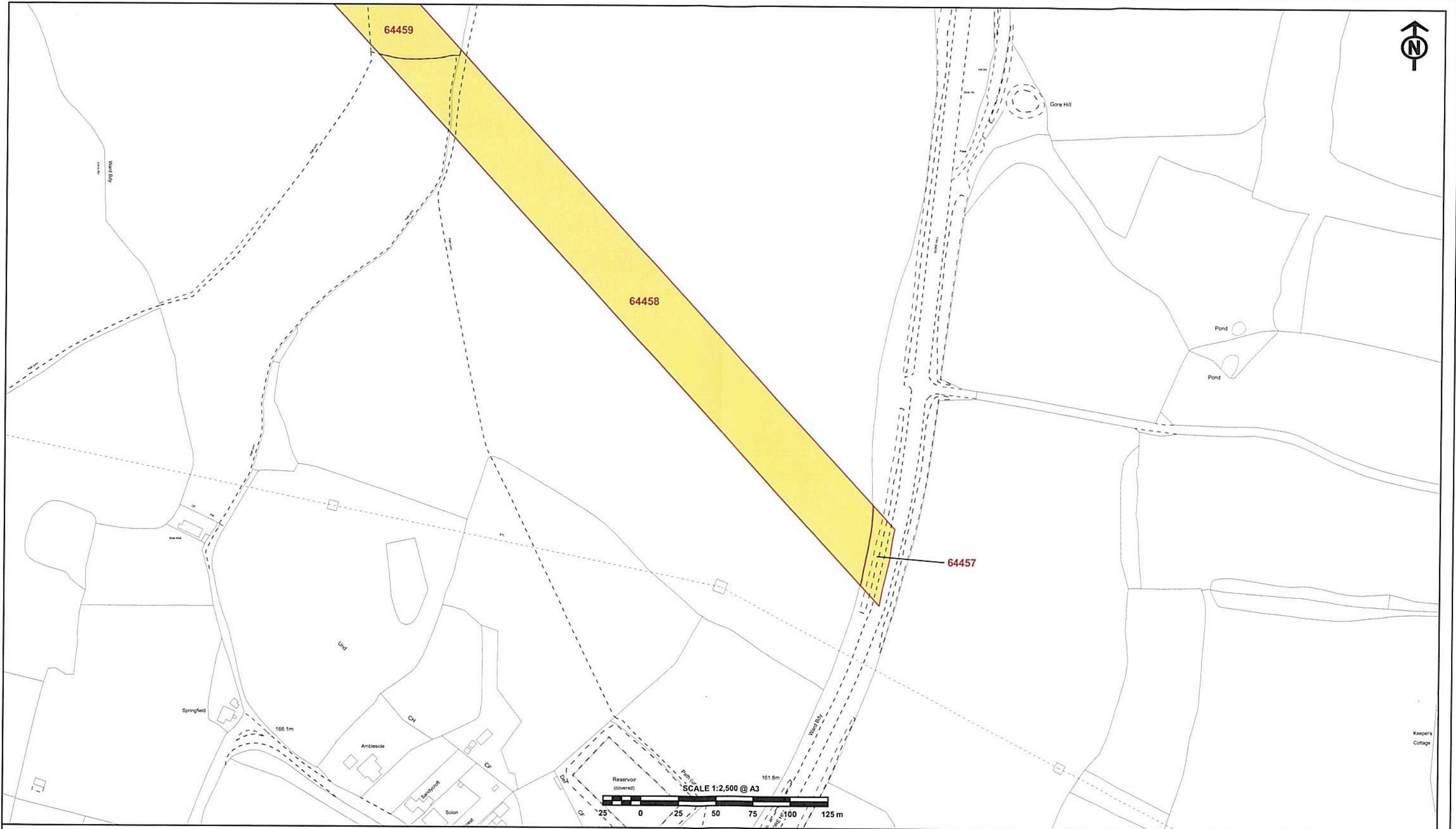

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Authorised Signatory

Dated : 11th May 2021

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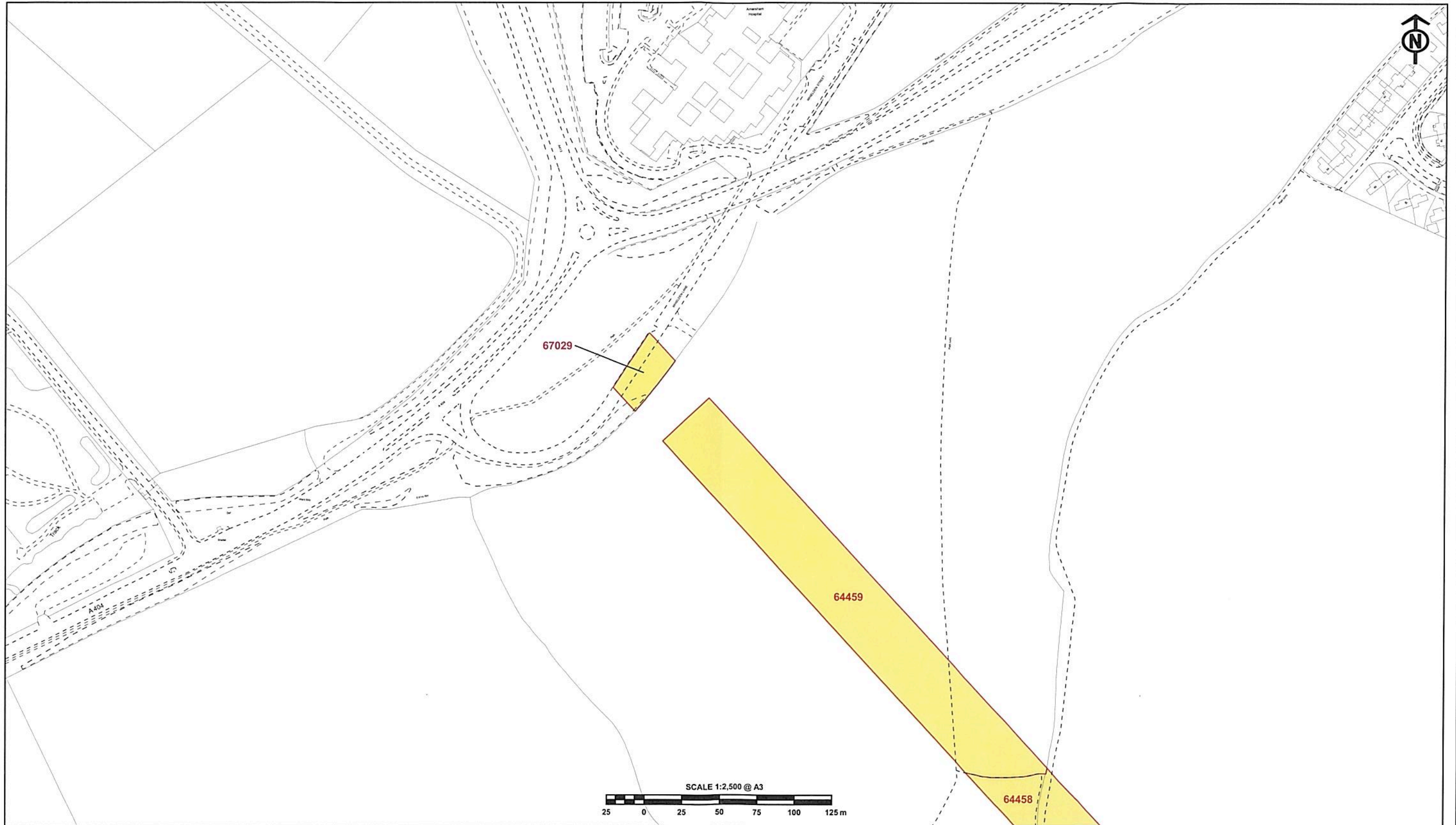
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