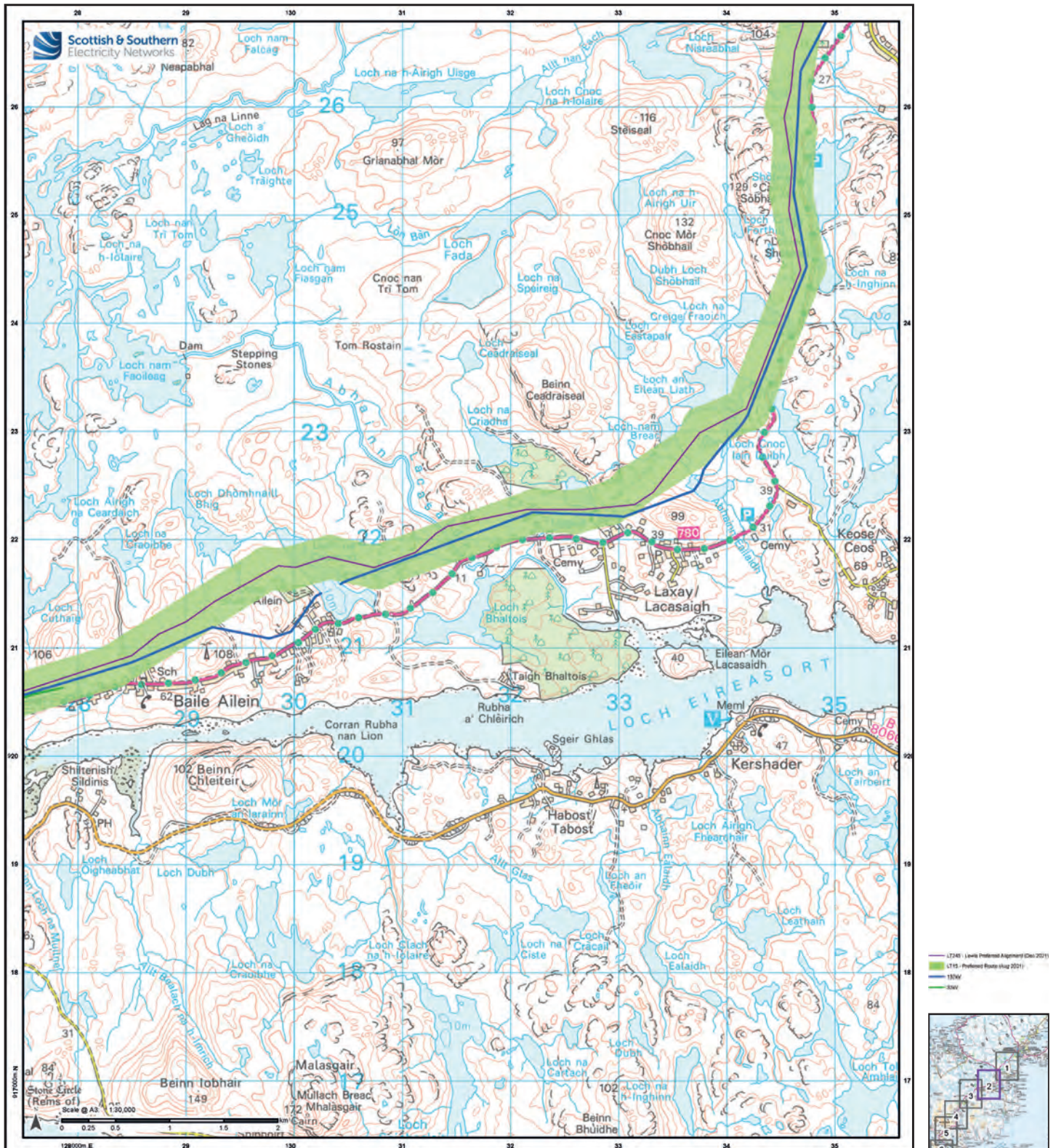


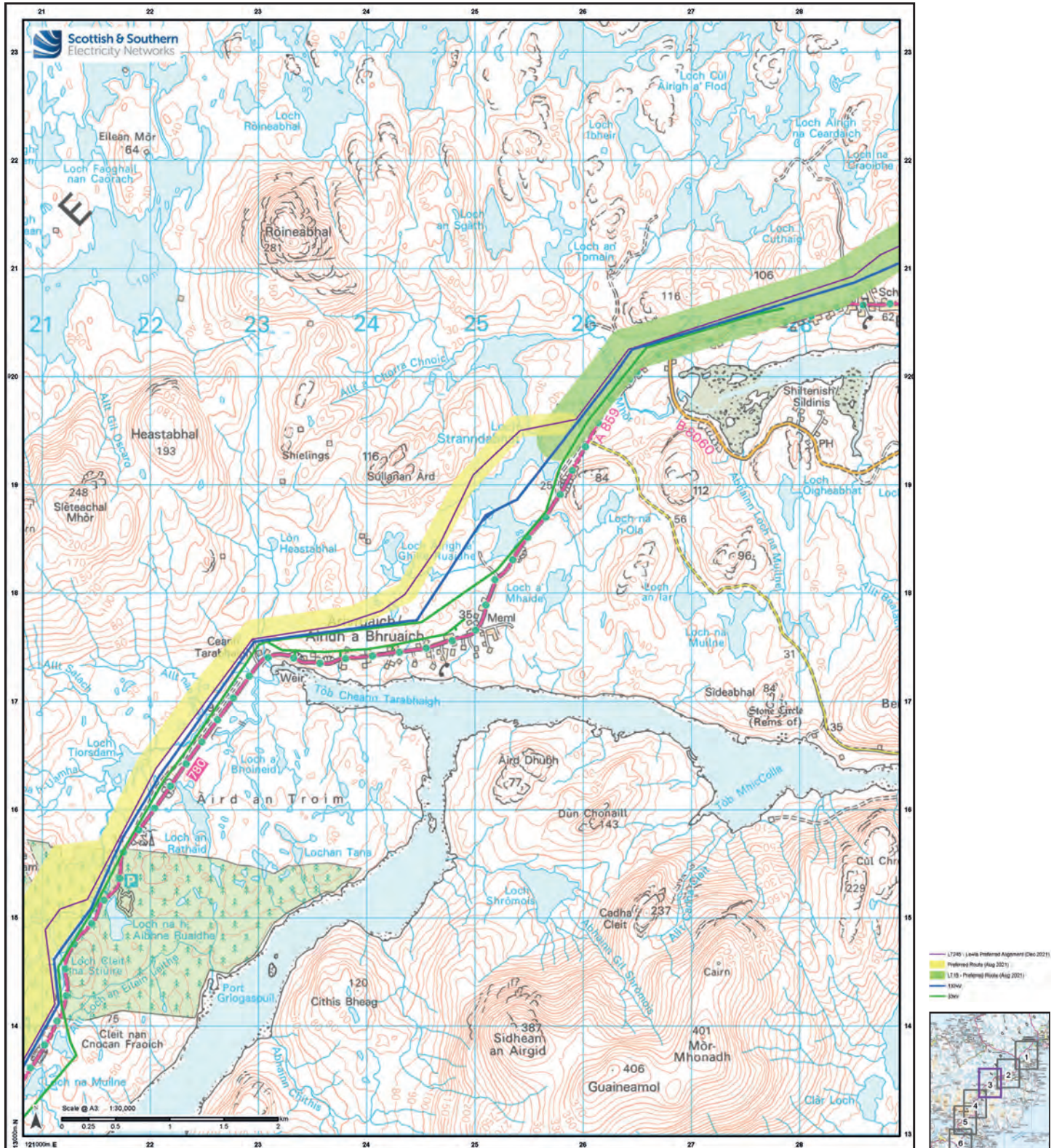
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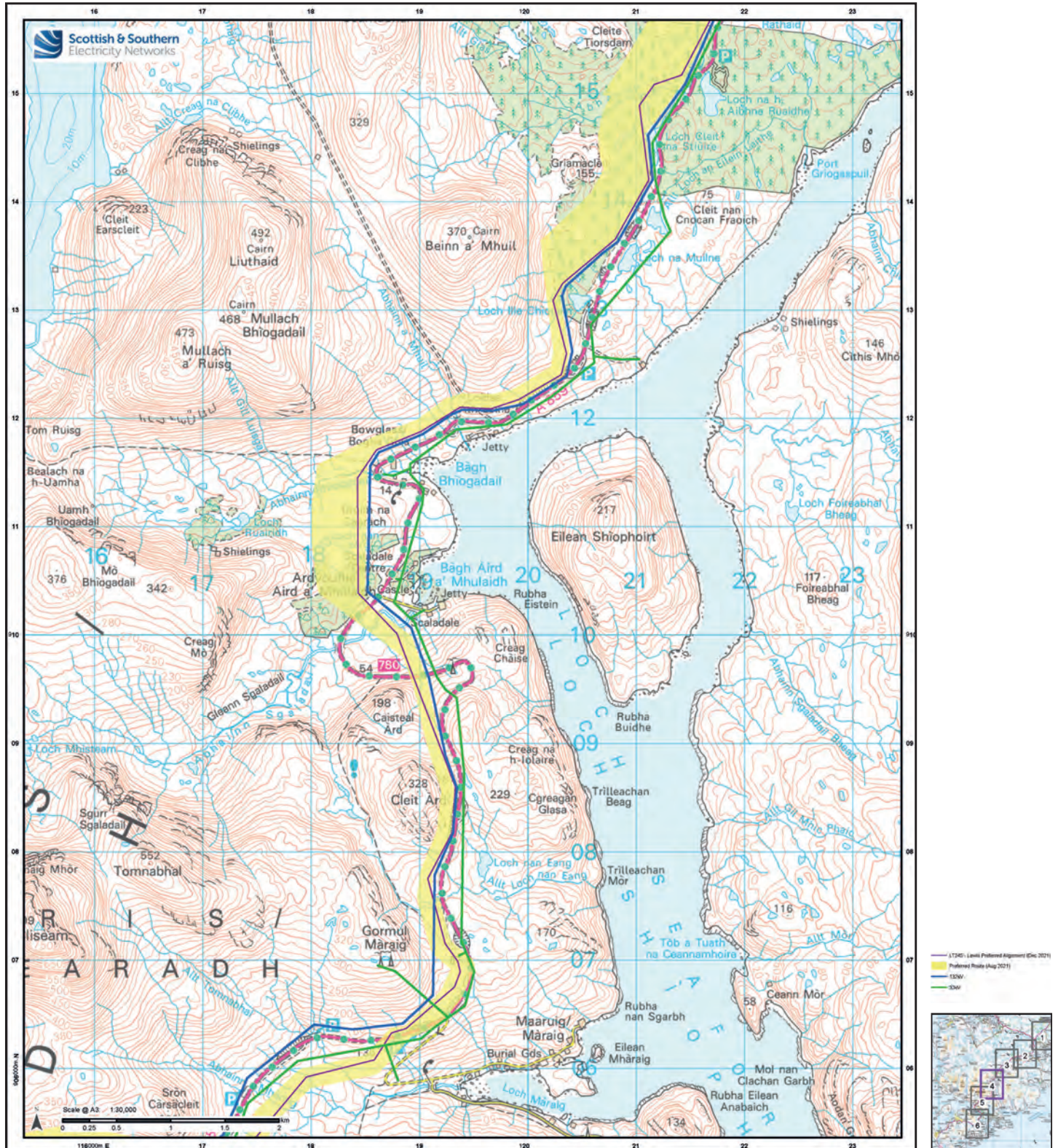


# Preferred Alignment

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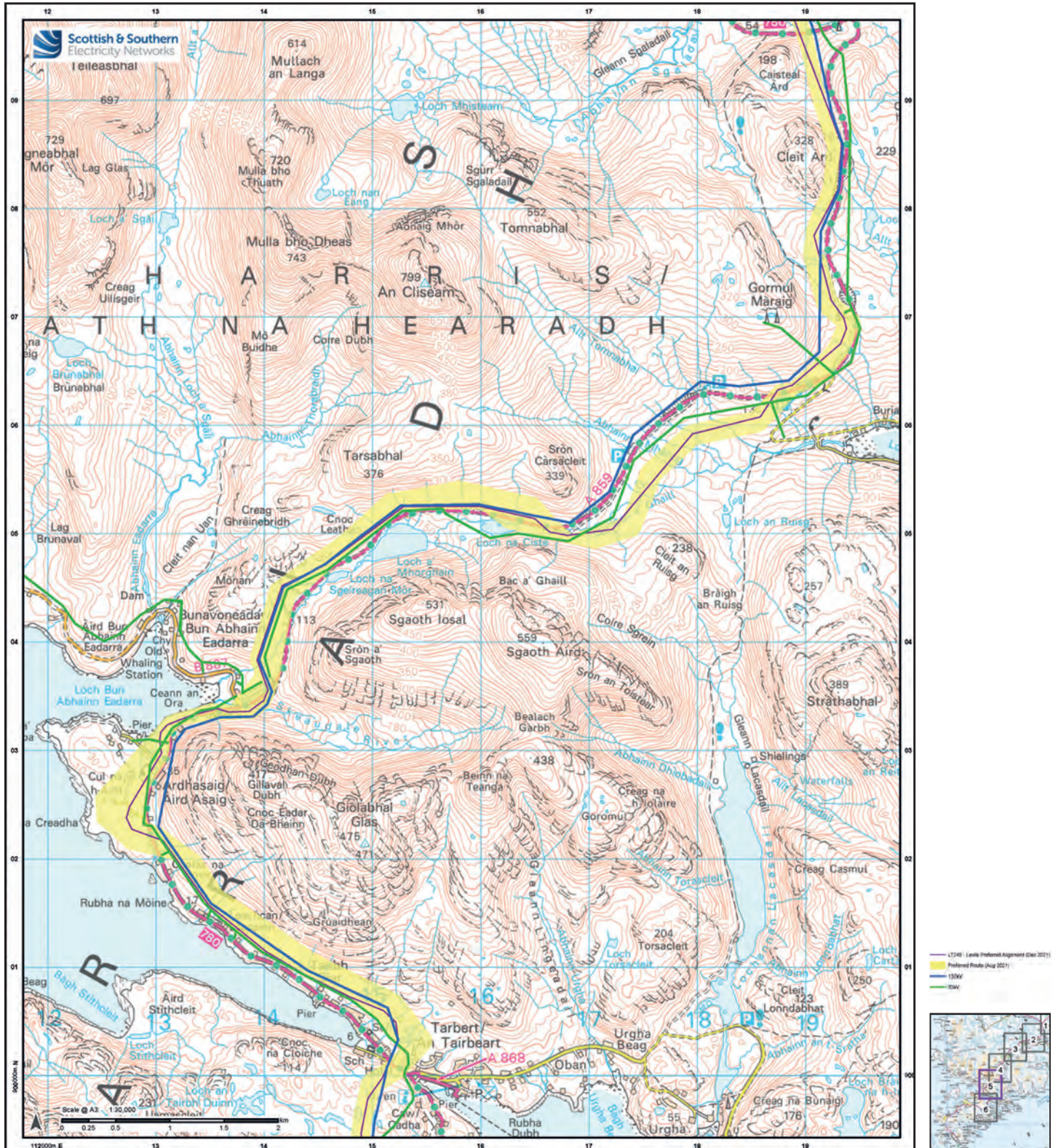


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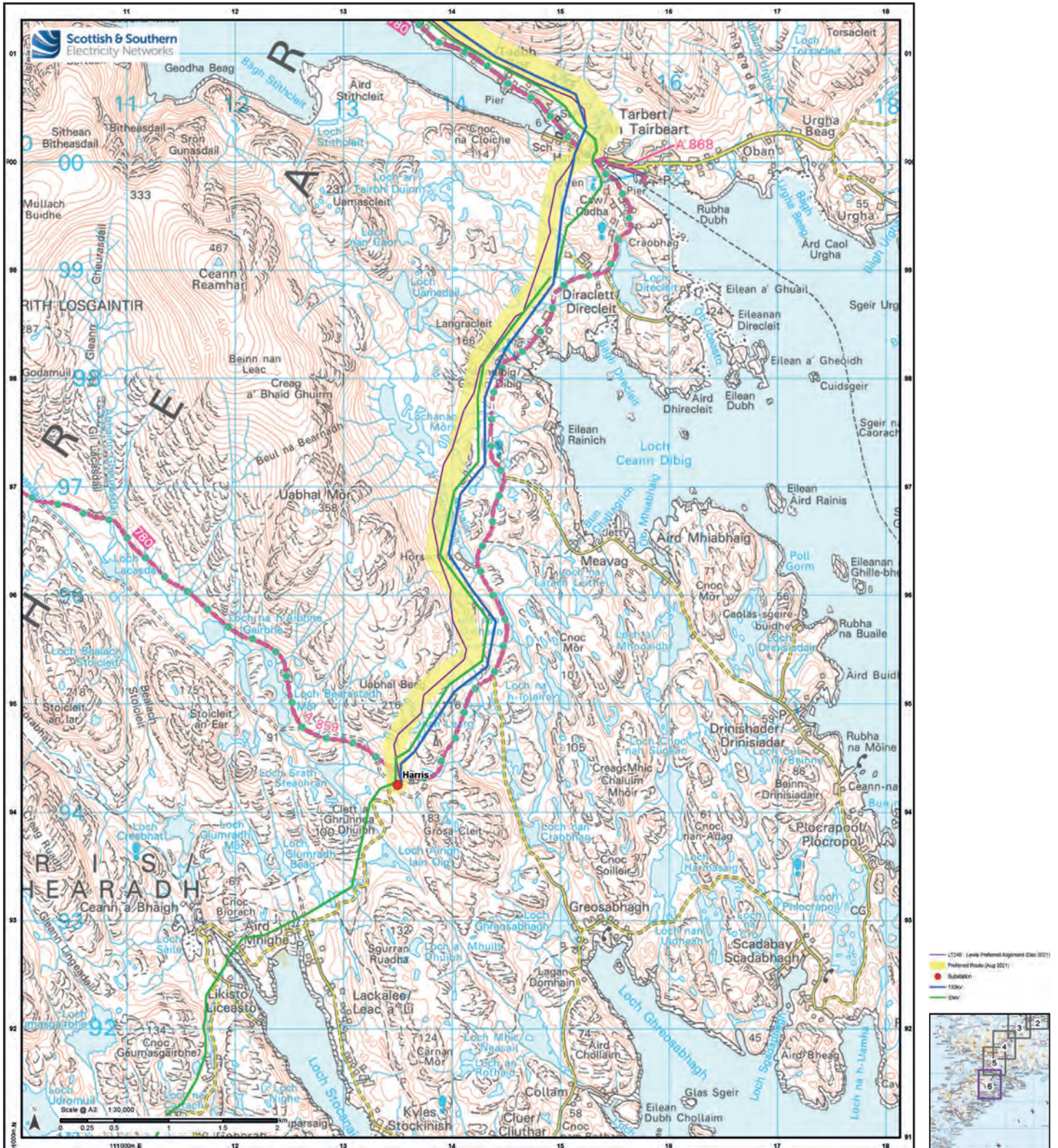


# Preferred Alignment

## Preferred Alignment 5 of 6



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# Constraints



# Environment

Environmental assessments and site surveys will be undertaken as we move through the stages of routing to final alignment and consenting. This includes assessing the landscape and visual amenity, ecology/habitats, ornithology, geology/hydrogeology, hydrology, and cultural heritage of the preferred route. A full Environmental Impact Assessment will likely be required as part of the Section 37 consent application.

## Ecology/Habitats/Ornithology

The selected alignment is likely to have the potential to encounter protected species and sensitive habitats within the project area. It has however been selected to avoid many of the environmental designations on Lewis and Harris.

The project has assessed and will continue to assess through this alignment process the risk to species and habitats; aiming to arrive at an alignment with the least risk to the environment overall.

The OHL replacement requires over one years' worth of bird surveys; these began in March 2021 and will continue into Spring 2022. This data set will be invaluable for informing the final alignment and any mitigation required in consultation with Nature Scot.



## Landscape and Visual Amenity

The project is to construct and operate a new 132kV Trident woodpole overhead line, whilst removing the existing.

The overhead line routing process will seek to position the new overhead line in a location that minimises the effect on landscape and visual amenity. The proposed alignment for the majority follows the existing 132kV line.



## Cultural Heritage

Scheduled and non-scheduled heritage features have been mapped and risk assessed through the stages of the route optioneering process.

The project works will be designed and constructed to ensure these features are avoided, where possible.

Where this is not possible further site assessments will be conducted in consultation with the planning authority.

## Geology/Hydrogeology

Peatland habitats have been identified throughout the area, and careful selection of the final overhead line alignment and access points will be undertaken to minimise effects as far as possible.

A peat management plan will be developed and implemented during construction.



# What happens now and how do I have my say?

We understand and recognise the value of the feedback provided by members of the public during all engagements and consultations. Without this valuable feedback, the project development team would be unable to progress projects and reach a balanced proposal.

We are keen to receive your views and comments in regards to the following questions:

- Have we adequately explained the methodology undertaken to assess the preferred alignment?
- Do you feel SSEN Transmission have given enough consideration to potential impacts on the environment that this project may have?
- Are there any additional factors, issues or concerns which you wish to bring to the attention of the Project Team regarding our proposal?
- Following your review of the information displayed today, how would you rate your information of the Harris – Stornoway 132kV overhead line replacement works?
- Is there anything else you would like to highlight to the team about the project?

## Comments

Your views and comments can be provided to the project team by completing the feedback form or by writing to our Community Liaison Manager. All feedback received will be assessed and the proposed options adapted where necessary.

## Feedback

We will be seeking feedback from members of the public on this exhibition and the virtual exhibition until Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

Feedback is welcomed throughout the development of the project. To provide comments on the proposal or to gain further information on the project, visit our virtual event or contact our Community Liaison Manager.

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## Additional information

Information will also be made available via the project webpage and social media channels:

### Project website:

[www.ssen-transmission.co.uk/projects/harris-stornoway-132kv-ohl](http://www.ssen-transmission.co.uk/projects/harris-stornoway-132kv-ohl)

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# Your feedback

Thank you for taking the time to read this consultation booklet. In order to record your views and improve the effectiveness of our consultation, please complete this short feedback form.

Please complete in **BLOCK CAPITALS**. (Please tick one box per question only)

**Q1** Has the project information provided explained the need for the Harris –Stornoway 132kV overhead line replacement works?

Yes  No  Unsure

**Q2** Have we adequately explained the methodology undertaken to assess the preferred alignment?

Yes  No  Unsure

**Q3** Do you feel SSEN Transmission have given enough consideration to potential impacts on the environment that this project may have? Comments:

**Q4** Are there any additional factors, issues or concerns which you wish to bring to the attention of the Project Team regarding our proposal? Comments:

**Q5** Following your review of the information displayed today, how would you rate your information of the Harris –Stornoway 132kV overhead line replacement works?

I am very well informed  Know a lot  Know a little  
 Know very little  Know nothing at all



**Q6** Is there anything else you would like to highlight to the team about the project? Comments:

**Full name**

**Address**

**Telephone**

**Email**

If you would like to be kept informed of progress on the project please tick this box.

If you would like your comments to remain anonymous please tick this box.

**Thank you for taking the time to complete this feedback form.**

**Please submit your completed form by one of the methods below:**

**Post:** Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks, 10 Henderson Road, Inverness, IV1 1SN

**Email:** [lisa.marchi@sse.com](mailto:lisa.marchi@sse.com)

**Online:** [www.ssen-transmission.co.uk/projects/harris-stornoway-132kv-ohl](http://www.ssen-transmission.co.uk/projects/harris-stornoway-132kv-ohl)

**Download:** Comments forms and all the information from today's event will also be available to download from the project website.

The feedback form and all information provided in this booklet can also be downloaded from the dedicated website:

**[www.ssen-transmission.co.uk/projects/harris-stornoway-132kv-ohl](http://www.ssen-transmission.co.uk/projects/harris-stornoway-132kv-ohl)**

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