

7. Cultural Heritage

Introduction

- 7.1 This addendum presents a review of both the original EIA submission (March 2014) and the previous EIA addendum (March 2019) to ensure that any cultural heritage assets which have been identified in the interim are acknowledged and assessed to address any potential impacts, by the proposed works, to ensure the works are compliant with planning and other related legislation and policy.
- 7.2 The original 2014 assessment found that:
- The proposed development will be mainly located on areas that have been previously disturbed, however the potential still exists for unknown cultural heritage resources being uncovered;
 - Mitigation during the construction process will involve an archaeologist being present during topsoil stripping; and
 - There will be a permanent heritage impact due to the demolition of Black's Bridge (Industrial Heritage Feature 07300:000:00) which will give rise to a Moderate Negative Impact at a local level during the construction phase. It should be noted that a licensed Industrial Archaeologist has carried out a detailed survey of this bridge. The accompanying report of this survey met the requirements of NIEA: Historic Monuments Unit and the statutory body confirmed that they have no objection to the bridge being removed as part of the proposed development.
- 7.3 The 2019 addendum identified a number of new recorded heritage assets within 1km of the proposed development, however, all were recorded outside the proposed development area and no impacts were anticipated. The 2019 addendum concluded that the findings of the original 2014 EIA remained valid.
- 7.4 The principal aim of this chapter is to identify any additional cultural heritage assets, which have been identified since the preparation of the 2019 addendum, that require consideration in relation to the proposed development. This addendum chapter should be considered alongside both the original 2014 assessment and the 2019 addendum.
- 7.5 Any cultural heritage features identified, in addition to those from the original 2014 assessment and 2019 addendum, within or near the site (including archaeological heritage and industrial heritage) will be described alongside the potential environmental impacts that may occur during construction and the operational phase.
- 7.6 This chapter will only discuss newly identified features which may be impacted by the scheme, unless the potential impacts to previously identified assets have become subject to significant change.

Methodology

7.7 This assessment considers the terms of the Historic Monuments and Archaeological Objects (NI) Order 1995 and the Planning (Listed Buildings) Regulations (NI) 2015 and has utilised the guidance contained within:

- HED Services and Standards Framework (May 2016); and
- Planning Policy statement 6 (PPS 6): Planning, Archaeology and Built Heritage (1999).

7.8 Current heritage data has been examined which is located on the DfC: HED databases. Examination of the following digital datasets (<https://www.communities-ni.gov.uk/services/historic-environment-map-viewer>) have been undertaken in relation to Heritage sites that may be impacted due to the proposed development:

- Sites and Monuments Records (SMR);
- Historic Buildings Record (HBR);
- Listed Buildings;
- Industrial Heritage Record (IHR);
- Register of Gardens;
- Defence Heritage Records;
- Areas of Significant Archaeological Interest;
- Areas of archaeological potential; and,
- Scheduled Zones.

7.9 A review has also taken place of the recently approved (14/03/2023) planning application (LA03/2022/0649/F) at the site for the “Erection of a replacement Coated Roadstone Plant and associated ancillary development to include bitumen storage tanks; aggregate and recycled asphalt pavement storage bays; hoppers; storage silos and conveyors” to determine awareness of potential future baseline at the site.

Assessment

7.10 A review of the heritage data from publicly available sources confirms that there are no cultural heritage assets, other structures or materials of historic or archaeological interest that can be identified, within the application site and therefore no assets will be subject to direct physical impacts. Impact to the settings of those assets within the historic environment located outwith the application site may still occur.

7.11 A number of additional assets have been identified that were not recorded in the original assessment of 2019 addendum. This is likely due to the assets not being identified, or the related data had not been made available to accessible data sources.

7.12 Table 7.1 and associated Figure 7.1 provide details on these additionally identified features (within a 1km radius of the development site):

Table 7.1 Additional Known Features of Cultural Heritage Interest

DFC: HED Reference Number	Type of Feature	Description	Within 'Red Line' of Application Site? (Yes/No)	Distance and Direction from Application Site	Likely Impact due to Proposed Development?
00202:000	Defence Heritage	Starfish decoy site, consisting of a series flammable decoy stations	No	0.9km East	Unlikely
00202:001	Defence Heritage	Small brick and concrete shelter for operators of starfish decoy site	No	0.88km East	Unlikely
00202:002	Defence Heritage	Small brick and concrete shelter for decoy station operators	No	0.95km East	Unlikely
00202:003	Defence Heritage	Series of fire decoys surrounded by shallow trenches.	No	0.87km East	Unlikely
00211:000	Defence Heritage	A 500m firing range constructed	No	0.89km South	Unlikely

DFC: HED Reference Number	Type of Feature	Description	Within 'Red Line' of Application Site? (Yes/No)	Distance and Direction from Application Site	Likely Impact due to Proposed Development?
		WW2 but utilized post war as well			
00211:001	Defence Heritage	A shelter protected by a concrete mantlet and earthwork berm	No	0.78km South	Unlikely
00211:002	Defence Heritage	Earthwork range butt which acted as back stop/bullet catch for rounds fired down range	No	0.78km South	Unlikely
00211:003	Defence Heritage	Raised area of compacted earth on which lanes/bays were pegged for shooters	No	0.77km South	Unlikely
00211:004	Defence Heritage	Raised area of compacted earth on which lanes/bays were pegged for shooters	No	0.81km South	Unlikely
00211:006	Defence Heritage	Raised area of compacted earth on which lanes/bays	No	0.91km South	Unlikely

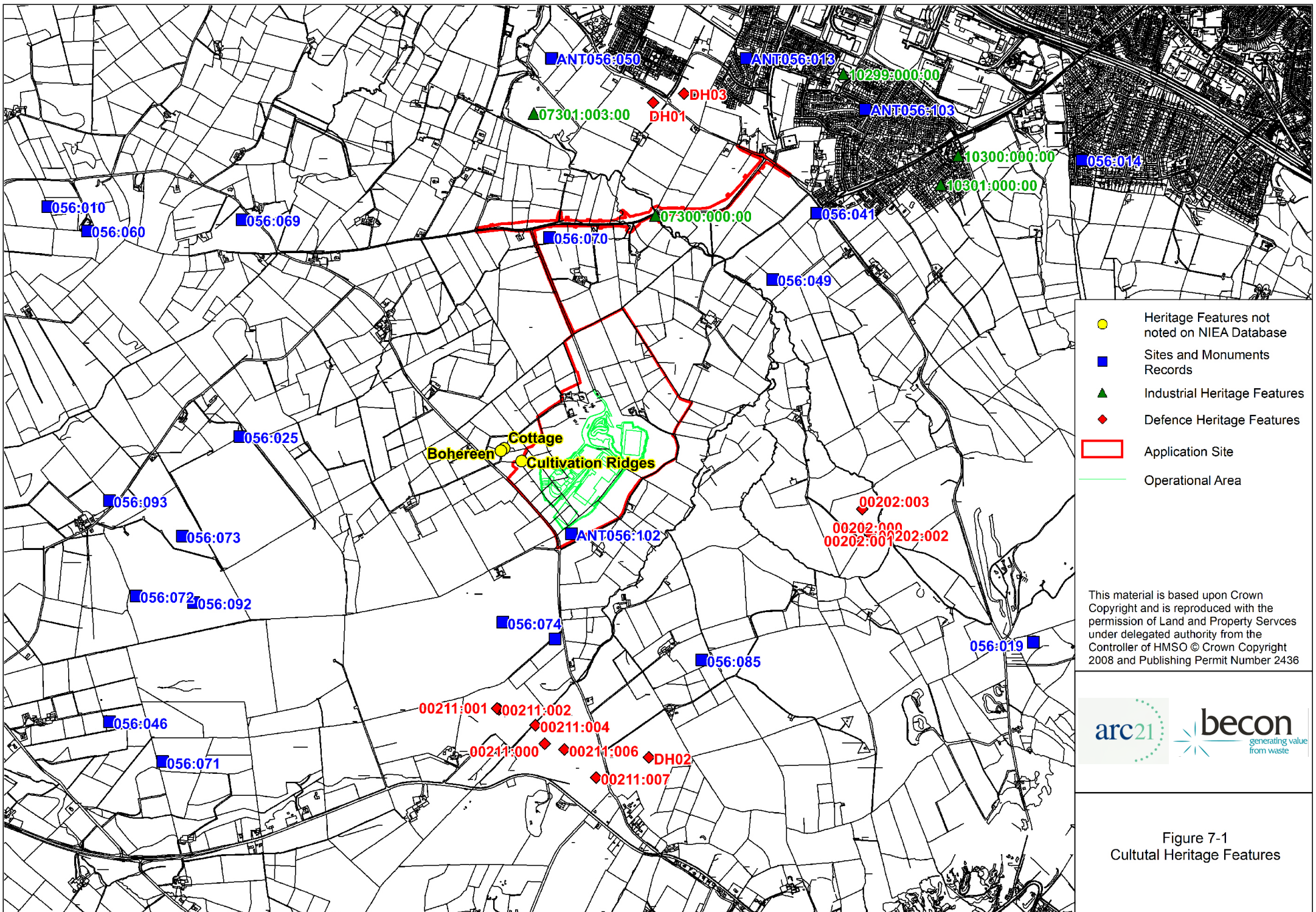
DFC: HED Reference Number	Type of Feature	Description	Within 'Red Line' of Application Site? (Yes/No)	Distance and Direction from Application Site	Likely Impact due to Proposed Development?
		were pegged out for shooters			
00211:007	Defence Heritage	Raised Area of compacted earth	No	1.05km South	Unlikely

7.13 No additional relevant information was obtained from the recently approved planning application (LA03/2022/0649/F) at the site.

Conclusions

7.14 This addendum has identified a number of assets previously unidentified by earlier assessment. These assets are located outwith the application site and will not be physically impacted by the proposed development. All additional assets are classified as “defence heritage” with the closest located 0.77km from the application site. In relation to any potential impact on setting, the quarry will screen much of the development which in addition to distance from the application site will result in no impact to the setting of the asset within the historic environment.

7.15 The findings and recommendations from the 2014 assessment and 2019 addendum therefore remain valid.



- Heritage Features not noted on NIEA Database
- Sites and Monuments Records
- ▲ Industrial Heritage Features
- ◆ Defence Heritage Features
- Application Site
- Operational Area

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Figure 7-1
Cultural Heritage Features