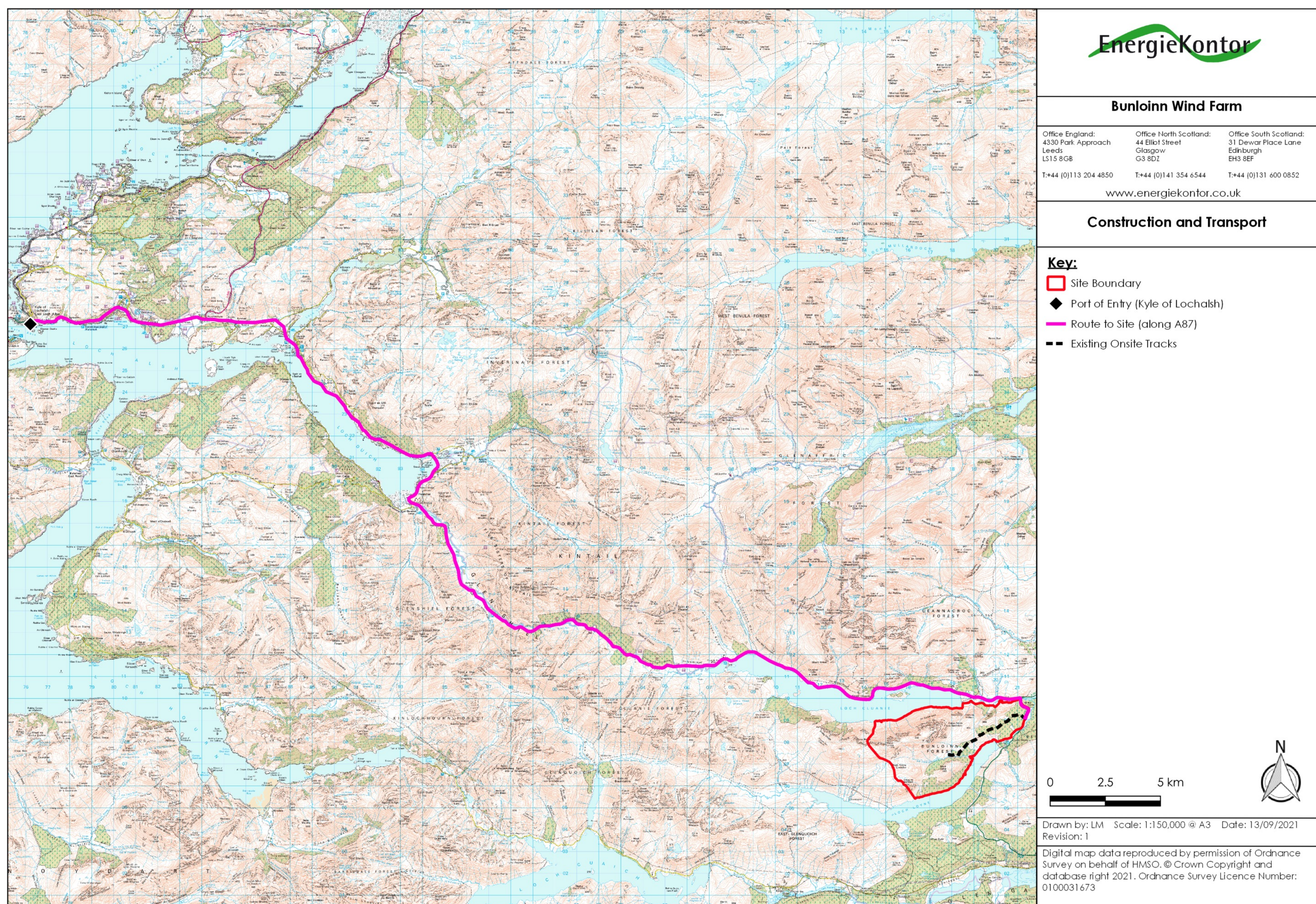


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## PROPOSED ACCESS TO SITE

Access routes have been assessed for the transportation and delivery of turbine components. The preferred option for delivery is illustrated on the map. Turbine blades would be delivered to Kyle of Lochalsh and travel east on the A87 while turbine tower components would arrive in Corpach, near Fort William. The transport route being explored has previously been used for other renewable energy developments within the area.

Other traffic movements associated with construction (e.g. concrete and aggregate) will be dependant on the location of the nearest supplier.



## CONSTRUCTION PHASE

We appoint specialist contractors and use local suppliers, where possible, to construct our wind farms. The entire process is overseen by our Finance and Construction team who have considerable experience in the construction process.

The entire construction period for a wind farm typically takes between twelve and eighteen months, depending on the particular site. Work starts with the formation of the site access, followed by the laying of the internal access roads and the turbine foundations. These works make up the bulk of construction activity.

During the construction period, on-site working hours would be controlled through planning conditions set out by the local planning authority.

Construction traffic associated with the development would also be managed through a Traffic Management Plan. This is typically required as part of a planning condition and would be agreed with the local highway and planning authorities, prior to the start of construction.

## WHAT ARE WE DOING TO MINIMISE EFFECTS?

During the course of the Environmental Impact Assessment, a number of topics will be assessed, and while a worst case will need to be demonstrated, we can look at reducing the overall traffic movements, this can be achieved by:

- Sourcing stone from on-site borrow pits (if ground conditions allow);
- Plan timings of turbine delivery, liaising with local communities; and
- Separate general construction traffic from turbine delivery routes.