

SILVERTOWN TUNNEL

**Preliminary  
Environmental  
Information Report:  
Appendix 16.A**

**Flood Risk Assessment**



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## List of Abbreviations

AEP	Annual Exceedance Probability
AOD	Above Ordnance Datum
BGS	British Geological Survey
BSI	British Standards Institute
CEMP	Construction Environmental Management Plan
CIRIA	Construction Industry Research and Information Association
DMRB	Design Manual for Roads and Bridges
EA	Environment Agency
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
FRA	Flood Risk Assessment
HGV	Heavy Goods Vehicle
LLFA	Lead Local Flood Authority
NPPF	National Planning Policy Framework
NSIP	Nationally Significant Infrastructures Project

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OS	Ordnance Survey
PEIR	Preliminary Environmental Information Report
PINS	Planning Inspectorate
PPG	Planning Policy Guidance
SFRA	Strategic Flood Risk Assessment
SPZ	Source Protection Zone
SuDS	Sustainable Drainage Systems
TBM	Tunnel Boring Machine
UK	United Kingdom
WFD	Water Framework Directive

## Glossary of Terms

Annual chance	Floods are described according to an ‘annual chance’. Meaning the chance of a particular flood occurring in any one year. This is directly linked to the probability of a flood. For example, a flood with an annual chance of 1 in 100 (a 1 in 100 chance of occurring in any one year), has an annual probability of 1%.
Aquifers	An underground layer of water-bearing permeable rock
Breach scenario	A Breach scenario is when a flood defences overtops or fails
Core Strategy	The Core Strategy sets out the vision, key objectives and strategic planning policies for the area.
Dewatering	The process of removing groundwater from an aquifer
Flood gates	Flood gates used to control water flow in flood barriers, reservoir, river, stream, or levee systems.
Floodplain compensation	An artificially excavated, hydraulically equivalent volume of floodplain storage sufficient to offset a reduction in floodplain storage resulting from filling or construction within the local regulatory floodplain.
Solid (bedrock) geology	Consolidated material that underlies superficial geology; bedrock

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Source Protection Zone	An Environment Agency designation to identify and protect groundwater supplies. There are 3 zones – Inner (defined as the 50 day travel time from any point below the water table to the source), Outer (defined by a 400 day travel time from a point below the water table) and Source Catchment (defined as the area around a source within which all groundwater recharge is presumed to be discharged at that source)
Superficial geology	Unconsolidated material, usually recent, occurring at the Earth's surface (as distinct from solid geology)



## SUMMARY

1. The Scheme – known as the Silvertown Tunnel – involves the construction of a twin bore road tunnel providing a new connection between the A102 Blackwall Tunnel Approach on Greenwich Peninsula (London Borough of Greenwich) and the Tidal Basin roundabout junction on the A1020 Lower Lea Crossing/Silvertown Way (London Borough of Newham). The Silvertown Tunnel would be approximately 1.4km long and would be able to accommodate large vehicles including double-deck buses. The Boord Street footbridge over the A102 would be replaced with a pedestrian and cycle bridge.
2. The design of the tunnel would include a dedicated bus/coach and HGV lane, which would provide opportunities for TfL to provide additional cross-river bus routes.
3. Main construction works would likely commence in 2018 and would last approximately 4 years with the new tunnel opening in 2022/23. The main site construction compound would be located at Silvertown to utilise Thames Wharf to facilitate the removal of spoil and delivery of materials by river. A secondary site compound would be located adjacent to the alignment of the proposed cut and cover tunnel on the Greenwich peninsula.
4. Hyder Consulting (UK) Limited ('Hyder') has been commissioned by TfL to undertake a Flood Risk Assessment (FRA) in support of the proposed Scheme, which comprises a twin bored tunnel beneath the River Thames and linking portals at the northern and southern ends of the tunnel. This FRA assessment outlines the risk of flooding to both the temporary construction worksite areas and the permanent elements of the operational tunnel.
5. This FRA has been undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and specific guidance provided by the Environment Agency. The FRA methodology has involved assessing risk to the Scheme from all potential sources of flooding. All available flood risk data has been reviewed. This data has been collected from the

Environment Agency and Lead Local Flood Authorities. The assessment has also been informed by the results of bespoke hydraulic modelling undertaken to quantify flood conditions local to the Scheme under a Thames defence breach scenario.

6. Measures are recommended to ensure appropriate consideration of the risk of flooding is taken and the FRA sets out how the Scheme will be safe with respect to flooding during its life time and will not increase the risk of flooding to other sites.
7. The southern portal is located wholly within Flood Zone 3, in the 1 in 200 year floodplain of the River Thames. The majority of the Northern portal is also located in Flood Zone 3 but a small area is located in Flood Zone 2, in the 1 in 1000 year floodplain. Both the northern and southern portals are classed as being in an 'Area Benefitting from Defences' (ABD), which reduces the actual flood risk to the Scheme.
8. The Scheme is classed as 'Essential Infrastructure' by the NPPF. Therefore the Scheme needs to pass the Sequential and Exception tests. It is considered that London Borough of Newham and Royal Borough of Greenwich can demonstrate the satisfaction of the Sequential Test since it would not be possible to locate the Scheme elsewhere in Flood Zone 1.
9. With regard to satisfaction of the Exception Test, all sources of potential flood risk to the Scheme have been examined. The proposed Scheme, which for the purposes of this FRA includes both the temporary construction worksite areas and the permanent tunnel elements, is not perceived to be at significant risk of flooding from groundwater, sewers or artificial sources. The main source of flooding to the Scheme is associated with breach of existing defences in combination with extreme tide levels. Flood conditions have been defined using Environment Agency data and will be refined using the results of bespoke breach modelling, which is currently in progress.
10. Based on existing available information, it is considered that the Scheme is generally at low risk of flooding from surface water, with locally higher areas of risk where existing local drainage infrastructure is in poor condition, or there

are depressions in the topography. It is recommended that the Scheme design mitigates this risk by improving drainage infrastructure where it is currently failing in the northern worksite area. A strategy for managing surface water drainage for the Scheme has been developed by Atkins. The strategy is based on the principals of providing treatment and attenuation of surface water runoff prior to discharge to watercourses and the existing sewer network.

11. A Flood Warning and Evacuation Plan has been produced for construction and the operational life time of the Scheme that links into the Environment Agency's advanced flood warning system.

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# 1. INTRODUCTION

## 1.1 Background

- 1.1.1 The Scheme – known as the Silvertown Tunnel – involves the construction of a twin bore road tunnel providing a new connection between the A102 Blackwall Tunnel Approach on Greenwich Peninsula (London Borough of Greenwich) and the Tidal Basin roundabout junction on the A1020 Lower Lea Crossing/Silvertown Way (London Borough of Newham). The Silvertown Tunnel would be approximately 1.4km long and would be able to accommodate large vehicles including double-deck buses. The Boord Street footbridge over the A102 would be replaced with a pedestrian and cycle bridge [add this to end of previous para. in the short version].
- 1.1.2 New portal buildings would be located close to each portal to house the plant and equipment necessary to operate the tunnel, including ventilation equipment.
- 1.1.3 The introduction of free-flow user charging on both the Blackwall and Silvertown Tunnels would play a fundamental part in managing traffic demand and support the financing of the construction and operation of the Silvertown Tunnel.
- 1.1.4 The design of the tunnel would include a dedicated bus/coach and HGV lane, which would provide opportunities for TfL to provide additional cross-river bus routes.
- 1.1.5 Main construction works would likely commence in 2018 and would last approximately 4 years with the new tunnel opening in 2022/23. The main site construction compound would be located at Silvertown to utilise Thames Wharf to facilitate the removal of spoil and delivery of materials by river. A secondary site compound would be located adjacent to the alignment of the proposed cut and cover tunnel on the Greenwich peninsula.

1.1.6 Hyder Consulting (UK) Limited ('Hyder') has been commissioned by TfL to undertake a FRA in support of the proposed new road tunnel, which is hereinafter referred to as the Scheme<sup>1</sup>.

1.1.7 The Scheme, including temporary construction worksites and the approaches to the operational tunnel, is shown to lie within Flood Zone 3, and in accordance with the NPPF<sup>2</sup> this FRA has been prepared to accompany the application for Development Consent (DCO application).

## 1.2 Aims and Objectives

1.2.1 The aim of this FRA document is to satisfy the requirements of the NPPF and Environment Agency in relation to development and flood risk.

1.2.2 Specific objectives of this FRA are to:

- Assess the Scheme against the requirements of the NPPF.
- Assess whether the Scheme has taken appropriate consideration of the risk of flooding from all potential flood sources.
- Detail how the Scheme will be safe with respect to flooding during its life time and will not increase the risk of flooding to other sites.

## 1.3 Terminology

1.3.1 Flood risk is a product of both the likelihood and consequences of flooding. Throughout this document, flood events are defined according to their likelihood of occurrence. Floods are described according to an 'annual chance', meaning the chance of a particular flood occurring in any one year. This is directly linked to the probability of a flood. For example, a flood with an annual chance of 1 in 100 (a 1 in 100 chance of occurring in any one year), has an annual probability of 1%.

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<sup>1</sup> Throughout this report references to Scheme are referring to the current preferred engineering and environmental option that will be subject to further iteration through the design process.

<sup>2</sup> National Planning Policy Framework, March 2012, Department of Communities and Local Government

## 2. DEVELOPMENT INFORMATION

### 2.1 Location

2.1.1 The Scheme boundary comprises of an area of 25 hectares (ha) which includes the operational tunnel and temporary construction worksite areas to the north and south of the tunnel. This is illustrated in Figure 1. The Scheme spans the River Thames between the Greenwich Peninsula and Silvertown. The proposed tunnel will be bored beneath the River Thames and linked to portals on the north and south banks of river.

2.1.2 The Scheme lies within the unitary boundaries of the London Borough of Newham (to the north) and the Royal Borough of Greenwich (to the south).

2.1.3 In addition to the River Thames, the mouth of the River Lea (Bow Creek) is located adjacent to the western boundary of the northern construction compound for the Scheme.

**Figure 1 Scheme location**



## **2.2 Existing Development**

### **Silvertown (North)**

- 2.2.1 Development including a temporary construction worksite area and approaches to the operational tunnel on the north bank of the River Thames is situated within the London Borough of Newham. The northern red line area (Figure 1) is bounded in Silvertown by the Lower Lea Crossing, A 1011 Silvertown Way and the Docklands Light Railway viaduct and embankment.

### **Greenwich (South)**

- 2.2.2 Development including temporary construction worksite areas and the approaches to the operational tunnel on the Southbank of the River Thames is situated along the A102 Blackwall Approach in the Royal Borough of Greenwich. The southern red line area (Figure 1) includes the area around Edmund Halley/Millennium Way and Cutter Lane, south of The O2 on the Greenwich Peninsula, and extends south within the confines of the Blackwall Tunnel Approach and West Parkside.

## **2.3 Proposed Scheme**

- 2.3.1 Land take plans for the Scheme are included in Appendix 4.C Preliminary Engineering Report Maps, Plans and Drawings. TfL propose that the new tunnel would pass under the River Thames, with a corridor of land that has been safeguarded for this purpose.

### **Silvertown (North)**

- 2.3.2 The areas of temporary and permanent land take associated with the Scheme to the north of the River Thames are shown in Figure 1. The northern tunnel entrance will link to a junction with the existing roundabout off Tidal Basin Road. This roundabout will connect the Silvertown Tunnel with the Lower Lea Crossing running west, and more local roads eastwards into the Royal Docks.

### **Greenwich (South)**

- 2.3.3 The areas of temporary and permanent land take associated with the Scheme to the south of the River Thames are shown in Figure 1. Northbound traffic will enter the Silvertown Tunnel along a new spur road that branches off from the existing Blackwall Tunnel Approach road.



Southbound traffic leaving the tunnel will join the existing Blackwall Tunnel Approach southbound.

**2.4 Topographic data**

2.4.1 Land on both sides of the River Thames is gently undulating with ground levels in the region of 5mOD to 7mOD on the north side of the river and in the region of 3mOD to 7mOD on the south side of the River Thames. The bed of the River Thames is anticipated to have a gentle transverse dip ranging in elevation from 0mOD to -12mOD<sup>3</sup>.

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<sup>3</sup> Ground Investigation Desk Study Preliminary Sources Study Report May 2013 Mott MacDonald

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## 3. PLANNING POLICY CONTEXT

### 3.1 NPPF and Flood Risk

3.1.1 The NPPF and the ‘planning practice guidance’<sup>4</sup> set out the Government’s planning policies for England and how these are expected to be applied.

3.1.2 The principal aim of the framework is to contribute to the achievement of sustainable development. This includes ensuring that flood risk is taken into account at all stages of the planning process, avoiding inappropriate development in areas at risk of flooding and directing development away from those areas where risks are highest. Where development is necessary, it should be safe, without increasing flood risk elsewhere.

3.1.3 A site-specific FRA is required for proposals of 1ha or greater in Flood Zone 1; all proposals for new development (including minor development and change of use) in Flood Zones 2 and 3, or in an area within Flood Zone 1 which has critical drainage problems (as notified to the local planning authority by the Environment Agency); and where proposed development or a change of use to a more vulnerable class may be subject to other sources of flooding. The FRA should identify and assess the risks of all forms of flooding to and from the development and demonstrate how these flood risks will be managed so that the development remains safe throughout its lifetime, taking climate change into account.

3.1.4 Early adoption of and adherence to the principles set out in the NPPF can ensure that detailed designs and plans for developments take due account of the importance of flood risk and the need for appropriate mitigation, if required.

### 3.2 The Sequential and Exception Tests

3.2.1 The NPPF Sequential Test classifies proposed development into one of four Flood Zones, detailed in Table 3-1.

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<sup>4</sup> <http://planningguidance.planningportal.gov.uk/>

**Table 3-1 Flood Zones (Source: TGNPPF Table 1<sup>5</sup>)**

<b>Flood Zone</b>	<b>Annual Probability of Flooding (%)</b>	<b>Corresponding Annual Chance of Flooding (1 in x)</b>
1. Low Probability	Fluvial and Tidal <0.1%	>1,000
2. Medium Probability	Fluvial 0.1-1.0% Tidal 0.1-0.5%	1,000-100 1,000-200
3a. High Probability	Fluvial >1.0% Tidal >0.5%	<100 <200
3b. The Functional Floodplain	Fluvial and Tidal >5.0% *Starting point for consideration. LPAs should identify Functional Floodplain, which should not be defined solely by rigid probability parameters.	<20

3.2.2 The NPPF specifies that the suitability of all new development in relation to flood risk should be assessed by applying the Sequential Test to demonstrate that there are no reasonably available sites in areas with a lower probability of flooding that would be appropriate to the type of development proposed. The NPPF provides guidance on the compatibility of each land use classification in relation to each of the Flood Zones as summarised in Table 3-2.

**Table 3-2 Flood Risk Vulnerability Classification (Source: TGNPPF Table 3<sup>6</sup>)**

<b>Flood Zone</b>	<b>Essential Infrastructure</b>	<b>Water Compatible</b>	<b>Highly Vulnerable</b>	<b>More Vulnerable</b>	<b>Less Vulnerable</b>
Zone 1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Zone 2	✓	✓	Exception Test required	✓	✓
Zone 3a	Exception Test required	✓	✗	Exception Test required	✓

<sup>5</sup> <http://planningguidance.planningportal.gov.uk/>

<sup>6</sup> <http://planningguidance.planningportal.gov.uk/>

<b>Flood Zone</b>	<b>Essential Infrastructure</b>	<b>Water Compatible</b>	<b>Highly Vulnerable</b>	<b>More Vulnerable</b>	<b>Less Vulnerable</b>
Zone 3b	Exception Test required	✓	✗	✗	✗
Key: ✓ Development is appropriate ✗ Development should not be permitted					

**3.3 National Road and Rail Networks: National Policy Statement (NN NPS)**

3.3.1 NN NPS for National Networks<sup>7</sup> sets out the need for, and Government’s policies to deliver, development of nationally significant infrastructure projects (NSIPs) on the national road and rail networks in England. NN NPS supports NPPF and explains that essential transport infrastructure (including mass evacuation routes) is permissible in areas of high flood risk, subject to the satisfaction of the NPPF Exception Test.

3.3.2 The following are important considerations:

- Applicants for projects which may be affected by, or may add to, flood risk are advised to seek sufficiently early pre-application discussions with the Environment Agency, and, where relevant, other flood risk management bodies such as lead local flood authorities.
- If the Environment Agency has concerns about the proposal on flood risk grounds, the applicant is encouraged to discuss these concerns with the Environment Agency and look to agree ways in which the proposal might be amended, or additional information provided, which would satisfy these concerns, preferably before the application for Development Consent is submitted.
- Site layout and surface water drainage systems should cope with events that exceed the design capacity of the system, so that excess water can be safely stored on or conveyed from the site without adverse impacts.

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<sup>7</sup> National Policy Statement (NPS) for National Networks, December 2014

- For construction work which has drainage implications there is the potential to increase flood risk. Therefore during construction, drainage should be considered and, if appropriate, controlled. This may include the use of sustainable drainage systems but could also include vegetation to help to slow runoff, hold back peak flows and make landscapes more able to absorb the impact of severe weather events.

3.3.3 This FRA has been prepared in close consultation with the Environment Agency, in order to agree assessment methodologies, gather flood risk data and agree approaches to flood risk mitigation.

### **3.4 The London Plan, Greater London Authority**

3.4.1 The London Plan<sup>8</sup> is the overall strategic plan for London, and it sets out a fully integrated economic, environmental, transport and social framework for the development of the capital to 2036. The key London Plan policy regarding flood risk management is Policy 5.12, which seeks:

*‘to address current and future flood issues and minimise risks in a sustainable and cost effective way.’*

3.4.2 The policy requires planning decisions to:

*‘comply with the flood risk assessment and management requirements set out in the NPPF and associated Technical Guidance.’*

3.4.3 Policy 5.12 further states that:

*‘Development adjacent to flood defences will be required to protect the integrity of existing flood defences and wherever possible should aim to be set back from the banks of watercourses and those defences to allow their management, maintenance and upgrading to be undertaken in a sustainable and cost effective way.’*

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<sup>8</sup> The London Plan, The London Mayor March 2015  
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### **3.5 CIRIA Development and Flood Risk: Guidance for the Construction Industry (C624)**

3.5.1 CIRIA publication C624<sup>9</sup> provides guidance to developers and the construction industry on the implementation of good practice in relation to flood risk and the development process. The following should be important considerations:

- All developments, even those that lie outside Flood Zones 2 and 3, may lead to an increase in downstream flood risk due to increased runoff rates and volumes. Therefore, all new developments should be designed so that runoff from the development is considered and, if appropriate, controlled.
- Safe access to and from the development should be allowed for during a flood event and the above should be met for the lifetime of the development, including considerations for climate change.

### **3.6 London Borough of Newham SFRA and Royal Borough of Greenwich SFRA**

3.6.1 Strategic Flood Risk Assessments (SFRA) were completed in 2011 for the London Borough of Newham<sup>10</sup> and Royal Borough of Greenwich<sup>11</sup>. SFRAs are intended to guide development decisions and allow Local Planning Authorities to apply the NPPF Sequential Test. An SFRA has specific objectives to:

- Provide a detailed and robust assessment of the extent and nature of the risk of flooding in the areas likely to accommodate significant growth in the next plan period.
- Ensure that local authorities meet their obligations under *Planning Policy Statement 25 (PPS25)*<sup>12</sup>, superseded by the NPPF in March 2012.

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<sup>9</sup> Development and Flood Risk: Guidance to the Construction Industry (C624), 2004, CIRIA

<sup>10</sup> London Borough of Newham Strategic Flood Risk Assessment SFRA - Final Report, 2011  
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<sup>11</sup> London borough of Greenwich Strategic Flood Risk Assessment SFRA - Final Report, 2011  
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<sup>12</sup> Planning Policy Statement 25: Development and Flood Risk, updated March 2010,  
Communities and Local Government

### **3.7 Thames Estuary 2100 (TE2100)**

3.7.1 The TE2100 Plan<sup>13</sup> sets out the strategic direction for managing flood risk in the Thames Estuary to the end of the century and beyond. The TE2100 Plan recommends what actions the Environment Agency and others will need to take to manage flood risk in the short term (next 25 years), medium term (the following 15 years) and long term (to the end of the century).

3.7.2 According to the TE2100 Plan the Scheme to the north of the River Thames is located in the Royal Docks policy unit and the recommended flood risk management policy (P4) is to take further action to keep up with climate change so that flood risk does not increase. To the south the Scheme is located in the Greenwich policy unit and the recommended flood risk management policy (P5) is to take further action to reduce flood risk beyond that required to keep pace with climate change. The Plan documents that there is a risk of urban drainage flooding in the Greenwich area, particularly where the capacity of the urban drainage system is limited. This risk is exacerbated by tide locking of outfalls. However, it is understood that local to the Scheme urban drainage flooding has not been a problem experienced in the past<sup>14</sup>.

### **3.8 Environment Agency Flood Map**

3.8.1 As part of this FRA 'Flood Product 4' and 'Flood Product 8' data requests were submitted to the Environment Agency. A 'Flood Product 4' data pack provided confirmation of flood zone classification, a detailed flood map, information about flood defences and historical flooding incidents and Environment Agency model output data such as predicted flood water levels (river and tidal) in the vicinity of the Scheme. The Flood Product 8 data pack provided a licenced copy of an Environment Agency hydraulic model of the River Thames which has been used as a tool to predicted flood conditions during a breach in the River Thames defences (as detailed in Section 5). The responses to these Flood Product requests are provided in Annex A.

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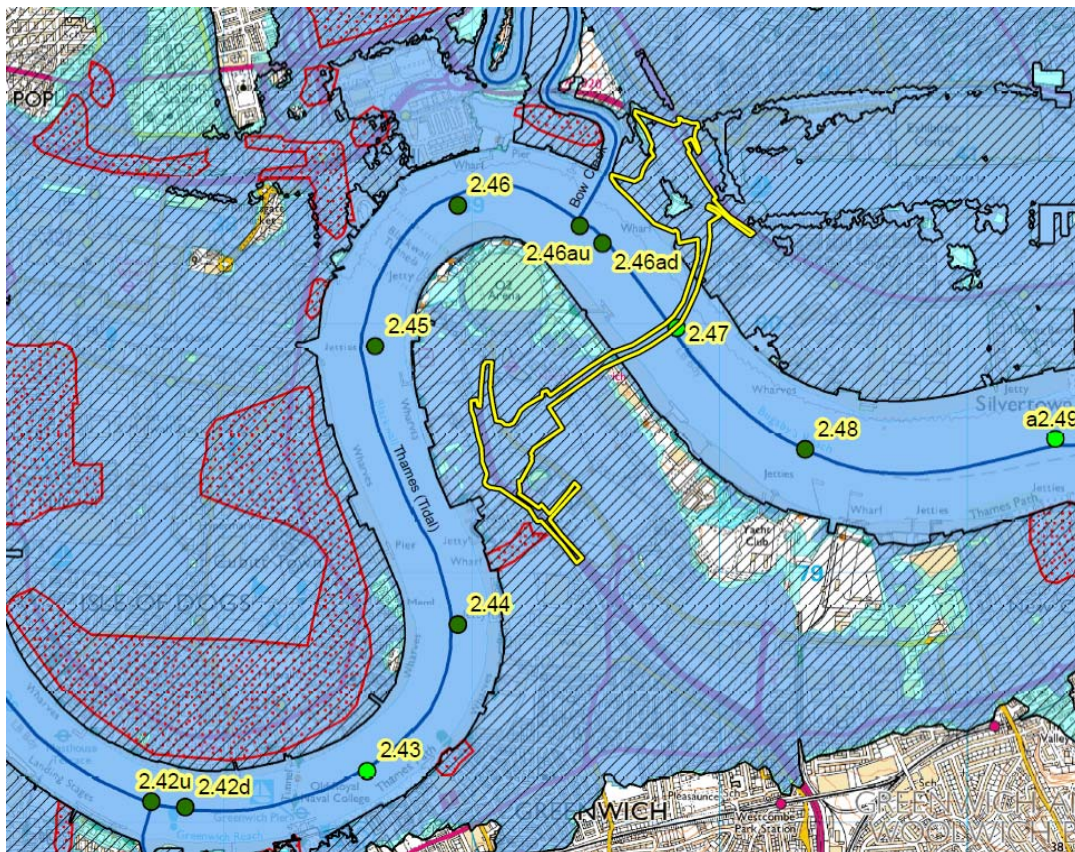
<sup>13</sup> Thames Estuary 2100:Managing Flood Risk through London and the Thames Estuary (TE2100), November 2012, The Environment Agency

<sup>14</sup> Silvertown Tunnel Reference Design, Flood Risk Verification Report, July 2014, Atkins



3.8.2 An extract from the supplied Flood Map, applicable to the Scheme, is shown in Figure 2. The Environment Agency Flood Map shows that the southern portal is located wholly within Flood Zone 3, attributed to the 1 in 200 year floodplain of the River Thames. The majority of the northern portal is also located in Flood Zone 3, but a small area is located in Flood Zone 2 (in the 1 in 1000 year floodplain). The northern and southern portals of the Scheme are shown to benefit from existing flood defences, however, the section of tunnel which runs under the River Thames does not benefit from defences.

**Figure 2 Environment Agency Flood map (Extract from Environment Agency Flood Product Data Response, Annex A)**



3.8.3 In accordance with the NPPF, the development is classed as 'Essential Infrastructure' and as such the proposed development (within Flood Zone 3) will need to satisfy the requirements of the Sequential and Exception Tests for the development to be permitted.

3.8.4 For the Sequential Test to be passed, it needs to be demonstrated that within the London Borough of Newham and Royal Borough of Greenwich

there are no reasonably available alternative sites with a lower risk of flooding that could accommodate the Scheme.

3.8.5 For the Exception Test to be passed the following two criteria must be satisfied:

- it must be demonstrated that the development provides wider sustainability benefits to the community that will outweigh flood risk; and
- a site-specific FRA must demonstrate that the development will be safe for its lifetime taking account of the vulnerability of its users, without increasing flood risk elsewhere, and, where possible will reduce flood risk overall.

### **3.9 The Sequential Test**

3.9.1 In January 2012, Newham Council published its Core Strategy<sup>15</sup>. Strategic Objective INF1 is to secure investment in strategic transport networks that will lever investment and regeneration into Newham. In 2014, the Royal Borough of Greenwich published its Core Strategy<sup>16</sup>. Policy IM3 is to support those transport Schemes that are critical to Greenwich's development.

3.9.2 The main aim of the Scheme is to reduce congestion at the Blackwall Tunnel, and improve the reliability and resilience of the wider road network. It is understood that there is regular congestion at the Blackwall Tunnel and journeys through the tunnel often take up to 20 minutes or more. The current level of demand on the Blackwall Tunnel exceeds its design and many heavy goods vehicles are unable to use the northbound tunnel due to height restrictions.

3.9.3 The Scheme aims to facilitate more predictable and reliable journey times by relieving congestion and providing additional road capacity. This will support growth and regeneration in surrounding areas. Therefore the Scheme is expected to contribute toward fulfilling Newham and the Royal Borough of Greenwich Councils Core Strategy Objectives INF1 and IM3.

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<sup>15</sup> Newham's Local Plan, Core Strategy Adopted 2012

<sup>16</sup> Greenwich Local Plan, Core Strategy Adopted 2014

3.9.4 There is little flexibility in locating the Scheme given its aim of reducing congestion at the Blackwall Tunnel and the relatively extensive spatial coverage of Flood Zone 3 in both Boroughs. In addition, the land has been safeguarded by the Secretary of State for the construction of a river crossing at Silvertown.

3.9.5 It is therefore considered that Newham London Borough Council and Royal Borough of Greenwich Council can demonstrate satisfaction of the Sequential Test.

### **3.10 The Exception Test**

3.10.1 For the same reasons above, it is considered that the Scheme can satisfy the first part of the Exception Test, having wider sustainability benefits to the community. The remainder of this document focuses on the second part of the Test, qualifying the actual risks of flooding to the Scheme, and making recommendations as to how the residual risk of flooding can be managed such that the Scheme can be considered safe throughout its lifetime, in line with the requirements of the Exception Test.

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## 4. FORMS OF FLOODING

### 4.1 Overview

4.1.1 This section assesses the proposed Scheme with reference to the forms of flooding as set out in Table 4-1 below.

**Table 4-1 Forms of flooding**

Source of Flooding	Description
1. Flooding from rivers	Flood water originating from a nearby watercourse when the amount of water exceeds the channel capacity of that watercourse
2. Flooding from the sea	High tides, storm surges and wave action, often acting in combination, flooding low-lying coastal land
3. Flooding from land	Flooding caused by intense rainfall exceeding the available infiltration and/or drainage capacity of the ground
4. Flooding from groundwater	Flooding caused when groundwater levels rise above ground level following prolonged rainfall
5. Flooding from sewers	Flooding originating from surface water, foul or combined drainage systems, typically caused by limited capacity of blockages
6. Flooding from reservoirs, canals and other artificial sources	Failure of infrastructure that retains or transmits water or controls its flow

### 4.2 Flooding from Rivers and Sea

4.2.1 As confirmed by the Environment Agency Flood map, the primary source of flood risk to the Scheme is tidal, arising from the River Thames. This source of risk is addressed in detail in Section 5.

4.2.2 To the south of the River Thames the Scheme is located within Flood Zone 3, in the 1 in 200 year floodplain of the River Thames. The exception is a small area within the operational tunnel boundary (see Figure 1) which is located in Flood Zone 2 in the 1 in 1000 year floodplain. Both the temporary worksite areas and the operational tunnel are shown to benefit from protection by flood defences.

4.2.3 The majority of the Scheme to the north of the River Thames is located in Flood Zone 3 but a small area in the temporary construction worksite boundary (Figure 1) is located in Flood Zone 2 in the 1 in 1000 year floodplain. Both the temporary worksite areas and the operational tunnel are shown to benefit from protection by flood defences, which reduce the actual flood risk to the Scheme.

4.2.4 It is therefore concluded that the Scheme is at low actual risk but high residual risk of flooding from rivers and sea. This form of flooding, including historical flood events, is discussed further in Chapter 5.

### **4.3 Flooding from Groundwater**

4.3.1 Groundwater flooding occurs when water originating in aquifers reaches the surface, typically as a result of high groundwater levels caused by prolonged rainfall, obstructions to groundwater flow or rebound of previously-depressed groundwater levels.

4.3.2 With reference to public data provided by the British Geological Survey<sup>17</sup>, it has been identified that the Scheme is underlain mainly by London Clay bedrock geology, overlain by superficial deposits of Alluvium clay, silt, sand and gravel formations. The Environment Agency 'groundwater' map<sup>18</sup> confirms that the Scheme is not located in a Groundwater Protection Zone. Superficial aquifers beneath the study area are classified as Secondary (undifferentiated), whilst the bedrock geology is largely classified as unproductive strata. Both the Greenwich SFRA<sup>19</sup> and Newham SFRA<sup>20</sup> state that there is no record of groundwater flooding in the area local to the Scheme.

4.3.3 It is therefore concluded that the Scheme is considered at low risk from flooding from groundwater. This form of flooding is not therefore considered further in this FRA.

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<sup>17</sup> British Geological Survey  
<http://www.bgs.ac.uk/discoveringGeology/geologyOfBritain/viewer.html> (linked accessed May 2013)

<sup>18</sup> 'What's In Your Backyard' Mapping, Environment Agency, <http://maps.environment-agency.gov.uk/wiyby> (linked accessed May 2013)

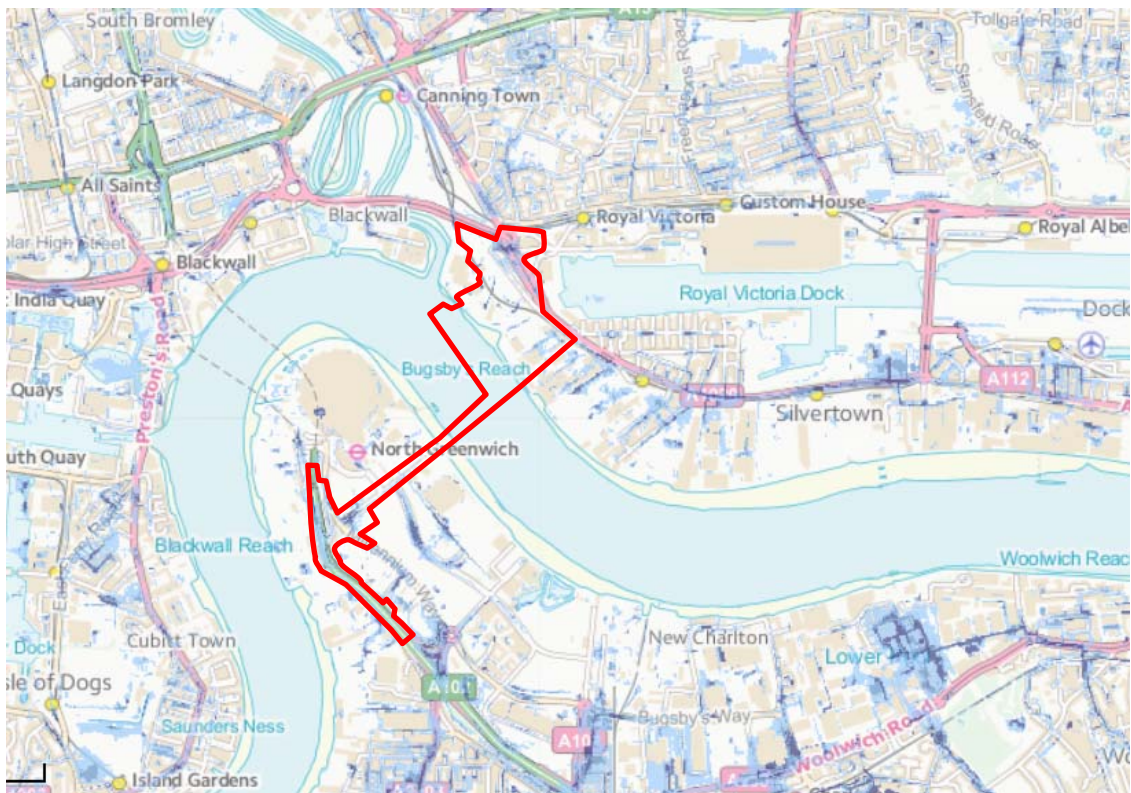
<sup>19</sup> London borough of Greenwich Strategic Flood Risk Assessment SFRA - Final Report, 2011  
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<sup>20</sup> London borough of Newham Strategic Flood Risk Assessment SFRA - Final Report, 2011  
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## 4.4 Flooding from Land

4.4.1 Flooding from land (often known as surface water flooding) occurs when extreme rainfall exceeds the infiltration or drainage capacity of the ground surface. This form of flooding can both pose a flood risk to the Scheme, from surface water runoff from off-site areas, and an increased flood risk to adjacent sites, as a result of runoff from the proposed Scheme (typically in the case of large sites).

**Figure 3 Environment Agency Surface water Flood map (indicative Scheme location in red)**



4.4.2 The Environment Agency provides information concerning the risk of surface water flooding, through their website<sup>21</sup>. According to the EA surface water maps, shown in Figure 3, the majority of the Scheme is located in an area of very low surface water flood risk (less than 1 in 1000 chance). There are some small isolated areas where the Scheme is at low (between 1 in 1000 and 1 in 100 chance), medium (between 1 in 100 and

<sup>21</sup> 'What's In Your Backyard' Mapping, Environment Agency, <http://maps.environment-agency.gov.uk/wiyby> (linked accessed May 2013)

1 in 30 chance) and high (greater than 1 in 30 chance) risk of surface water flooding, for example, in the south the road which forms the entrance of the operational tunnel is classed as at low risk of surface water flooding.

- 4.4.3 It is understood that currently the land that is to be occupied by the Scheme is fully covered by hardstanding material. Following completion of the Scheme there will be some landscaping which will reduce the amount of impermeable surface on site.
- 4.4.4 The EA have also advised of the presence of a number of operational waste handling sites that are to be occupied by the northern worksite area and have highlighted the poor state of the current drainage system that serves these sites.
- 4.4.5 The surface water catchment draining around the northern tunnel entrance is estimated to be 4,400m<sup>2</sup> and 11,900m<sup>2</sup><sup>22</sup> drains around the southern portal.
- 4.4.6 The current drainage strategy centres on providing cut off drainage to prevent ingress of surface water runoff from the approach roads into the tunnel. A drainage sump would be located at the tunnel portals which would provide an intercept and storage facility for collected surface water run-off, as well as a reception chamber for water being pumped back from the low-point sump in the tunnel.
- 4.4.7 Surface water run-off from within the bored section of the tunnel would be collected via gullies or a combined drainage kerb system and collected in the sump, from where it would be pumped to the northern service building compound where an impounding foul sump would be provided. This would then ultimately discharge to sewer or to the River Thames. A second attenuation system, likely to take the form of oversized carrier drains or storage tanks, would be provided to store surface water runoff from the remaining catchment areas falling towards the tunnel entrances. A flow-control device would control the outfall rate into the portal sump from this attenuation system.

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<sup>22</sup> Silvertown Tunnel: Highway Infrastructure conceptual design Recommendations, April 2013, Atkins



- 4.4.8 Based on existing available information, it is considered that the Scheme is generally at low risk of flooding from surface water, with locally higher areas of risk where existing local drainage infrastructure is in poor condition, or there are depressions in the topography. It is recommended that Scheme design mitigates this risk by improving drainage infrastructure where it is failing in the northern worksite area.
- 4.4.9 A strategy for managing surface water drainage arising from the Scheme has been developed by Atkins in consultation with the Environment Agency and Greater London Authority (GLA). The strategy is based on the principals of providing treatment and attenuation of surface water runoff prior to discharge to watercourses and the existing sewer network.
- 4.4.10 Areas to the north of the River Thames and the bored tunnel would discharge at attenuated rates to sewer and to the River Thames, via a small watercourse known as the Cut. To the south surface water discharges would be made at attenuated rates to the existing sewer network, as there is no suitable watercourse to receive drainage discharges.
- 4.4.11 The drainage strategy fulfils two of the three underlying principles of Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems (SUDS), namely seeking to improve the water quality of drainage discharge and to deal with surface water as close to source as possible, reducing flood risk. Constraints on applying SUDs techniques that are higher up in the drainage hierarchy set out in the London Plan, for example, using infiltration techniques, ponds and open water features, include high groundwater levels, land contamination legacy and space constraints. During the detailed design stage proposed discharge rates and destinations would be agreed with Thames Water, the Environment Agency and GLA and opportunities to maximise amenity and biodiversity associated with drainage infrastructure would be sought.
- 4.4.12 It is concluded that there would be no increase in surface water flood risk to third party lands during the operation of the Scheme.

#### **4.5 Flooding from Sewers**

- 4.5.1 Land within the Scheme boundary is currently served by a comprehensive network of highway drainage infrastructure and combined sewers that are maintained by Thames Water.
- 4.5.2 On the south side of the proposed tunnel existing drainage comprises kerb and gully systems that serve the A102 Blackwall Tunnel Approach

and the Tunnel Avenue road. These systems discharge directly into existing carrier drains that feed into the sewer network, to the north similar systems serve the North Woolwich road, Dock road, the A1020 Lower Lea Crossing and the A1011 Silvertown Way.

4.5.3 As outlined in Section 4.4, surface water runoff from the Scheme would discharge at attenuated rates to sewer or to the River Thames.

4.5.4 There are no known records of sewer flooding affecting the Scheme.

4.5.5 It is therefore concluded that the Scheme is considered at low risk from flooding from sewers and this form of flooding is not considered further in this FRA.

#### **4.6 Flooding from reservoirs, canals and other artificial sources**

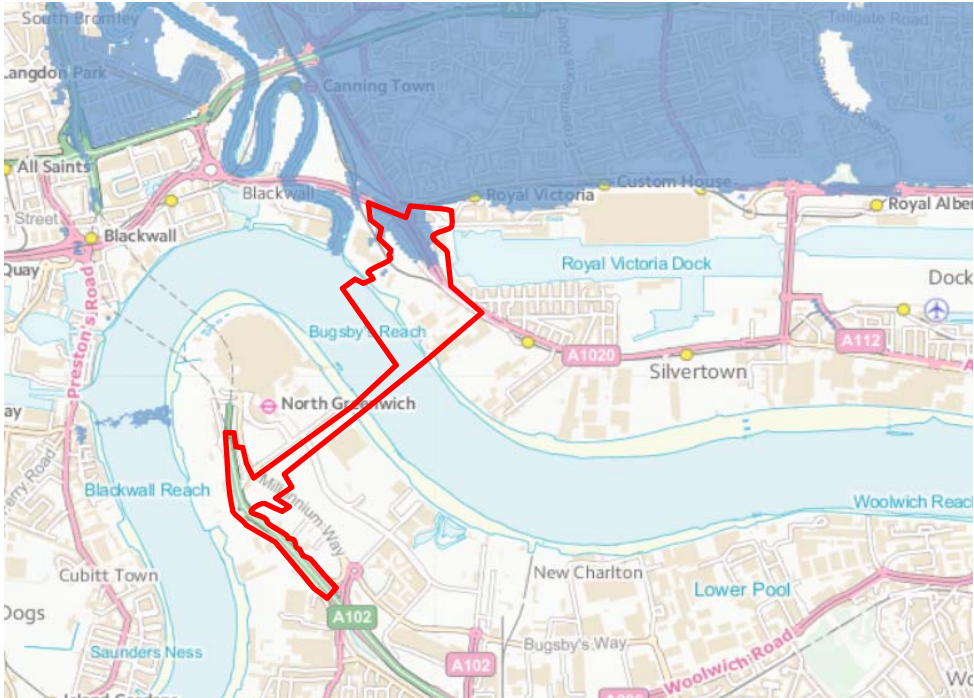
4.6.1 The Environment Agency provides a map showing the maximum potential flood extent area, in the event that all reservoirs were to fail and release the water they hold. This map can be viewed online<sup>23</sup> and an extract is shown in Figure 4. The map shows that a small area of the Scheme to the north of the River Thames would be affected by a breach associated with the King George V and William Girling reservoirs. However, the Greenwich peninsula and southern portal is not at risk of flooding from reservoirs. Through the appropriate maintenance of reservoirs, flooding from a reservoir breach is extremely unlikely to happen. There are no canals or other artificial sources that would pose a flood risk in this area.

4.6.2 It is therefore concluded that the Scheme is at low risk from flooding from artificial sources. This form of flooding is therefore not considered further in this FRA.

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<sup>23</sup> 'What's In Your Backyard' Mapping, Environment Agency, <http://maps.environment-agency.gov.uk/wiyby> (linked accessed May 2013).

Figure 4 Environment Agency Reservoir Inundation Flood map



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## 5. FLOOD RISK FROM RIVERS AND THE SEA

### 5.1 Environment Agency Flood Map

5.1.1 As outlined in Section 3.5, the Environment Agency Flood Map shows that to the south of the River Thames the Scheme is located wholly within defended Flood Zone 3 and the majority of the northern parts of the Scheme are located in defended Flood Zone 3, with a small area in Flood Zone 2.

### 5.2 Historic Flood Events

#### Silvertown (North)

5.2.1 The Environment Agency provided the extent of flooding recorded (Figure 2Figure ) during the January 1928 flood event in the vicinity of the Scheme. No land within the Scheme boundary was flooded during this historical event. Additional Information provided by the Environment Agency states that the areas of Silvertown were subject to tidal flooding, due to a storm surge in the North Sea, on the night of the 31 January into the morning of 1 February in 1953. An approximate level in the River Thames at the time was 5.26m AODN. According to the Newham SFRA<sup>24</sup> the Northern portal also lies within the historical flood extent for the 1947 flood event.

#### Greenwich (South)

5.2.2 As shown in Figure 2, no land within the Scheme boundary experienced any flooding during the January 1928 event and the Scheme is located is approximately 400m north of the area flooded during the 1928 flood event. However, land within the Scheme boundary was affected by a flood event in 1953.

5.2.3 Since these historical events the Thames Barrage flood defence scheme has been put in place so similar flood events are very unlikely to be repeated.

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<sup>24</sup> London borough of Newham Strategic Flood Risk Assessment SFRA - Final Report, 2011  
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### 5.3 River Thames flood levels

5.3.1 The location of the EA model nodes in the River Thames adjacent to the Scheme are illustrated in Figure 2. Predicted floodwater levels for the model nodes closest to the Scheme are outlined in Table 5-1 and current and proposed flood defence height are outlined in Table 5-2. The Environment Agency model results suggest that the Scheme is defended up to a 1 in 1,000 (0.1% annual chance) event. However the current defences are lower than the future 2100 predicted water levels, so if the defences are not raised to the proposed levels set out in the TE2100 plan, there is potential for future overtopping of the defences.

**Table 5-1 Maximum EA predicted floodwater levels**

Model Node	1 in 1000 Predicted Flood levels (mAOD)		
	Present Day Water Level	Future 2065-2100 Water Level	Future 2100 Water Level
2.44	4.69	5.18	5.67
2.45	4.68	5.17	5.66
2.46	4.67	5.16	5.65
2.46au	4.66	5.15	5.64
2.46ad	4.66	5.15	5.63
2.47	4.65	5.14	5.62
2.48	4.64	5.13	5.61

**Table 5-2 Maximum EA predicted floodwater flows**

Model Node	Current defence levels (mAOD)		Future defence levels (mAOD)	
	Left bank	Right bank	Future 2065-2100	Future 2100
2.44	5.18	5.18	5.70	6.20
2.45	5.18	5.18	5.70	6.20
2.46	5.18	5.18	5.70	6.20
2.46au	5.18	5.18	5.70	6.20

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2.48	5.18	5.18	5.70	6.20

- 5.3.2 As illustrated by the data presented in Table 5-1 and Table 5-2 current defences (5.18m AOD) are generally sufficient to prevent overtopping to the year 2065, though with very little remaining freeboard.
- 5.3.3 During the 2065-2100 period defences will therefore need to be upgraded. A River Wall Structural Condition Survey (Appendix 16.D) for the lengths of river wall located within the red line boundary on both sides of the river has been conducted by Atkins. The findings show that the majority of the defences are classed as either a condition grade 3 or 4, where 1 is classed as very good and 5 is classed as very poor. The survey also concludes that all sections of river wall have the potential to support future raising. Methods could include raising existing concrete parapets, constructing concrete capping beams on existing sheet piles and constructing new flood walls directly onto existing concrete abutments.
- 5.3.4 On the Greenwich Peninsula, master planning for a significant redevelopment is currently underway and has been informed by a FRA<sup>25</sup>. The FRA includes the commitment to allow for the raising of existing river walls to 6.20mOD and incorporating a riverside walkway into the Masterplan. When constructed, this higher defence standard would benefit the wider peninsular, including the Silvertown Tunnel,
- 5.3.5 The Environment Agency inspect the defences twice a year to ensure that they remain fit for purpose and the design of the Scheme is such that there is enough space for plant to access the defence for maintenance purposes from the landward side.

<sup>25</sup> Greenwich Peninsula 2015 Masterplan, February 2015, Arup

## **5.4 Residual Risk**

5.4.1 Although the risk of flooding to the Scheme, as a result of the overtopping of the existing defences, is low, there is a residual risk of flooding in the event of a breach of the defences.

5.4.2 The Environment Agency have provided outputs from a River Thames Tidal Breach modelling study, completed in 2012 the results of which are summarised below.

### **Silvertown (North)**

5.4.3 A number of north bank breaches were simulated, coincident with a 1 in 200 flood event (0.5% annual probability). The breach location most relevant to the Scheme is located just south of the Royal Victoria Gardens. Predicted hazard, depth and velocity data are illustrated in Annex A. The data illustrate that, if a breach occurs on the north bank just south of the Royal Victoria Gardens, then the flood waters would not reach any part of the Scheme.

### **Greenwich (South)**

5.4.4 The most relevant Environment Agency modelled breach location is located just east of the Thames Barrier. Predicted hazard, depth and velocity data are illustrated in Annex A. The data illustrates that, if a breach occurs on the south bank just east of the Thames Barrier, the majority of Scheme would be inundated with water. Resulting flood hazard is classed as 'danger to most', with depths of floodwater ranging between 0 – 0.25m, with higher depths (0.25 - 1m) located on the south westerly boundary.

5.4.5 Floodwater velocity is predicted to range between 0 - 0.3 m/s with higher velocities (0.3 - 1 m/s) located on the south westerly boundary.

5.4.6 Hyder is currently undertaking bespoke breach modelling to quantify flood conditions associated with north and south bank breaches at locations more local to the Scheme. This modelling work is scheduled to be completed in August 2015 and a technical note will document the findings, which will be appended to the final FRA, with a summary included within this report.



### **Hydrodynamic Modelling of the jetty structure**

- 5.4.7 Hyder has undertaken an assessment of the impact of the proposed jetty structure on the north bank of the River Thames on the current hydrodynamics of the river. This has involved modelling the change in local currents due to the movement of water around the jetty piles in the MIKE21FM hydrodynamic modelling software.
- 5.4.8 The model results show that the inclusion of a straight or skewed jetty structure will very marginally reduce flow velocities around the jetty head and very marginally increase flow velocities at the jetty approaches. However no significant effects on the sediment transport regime is predicted and no discernible effects on water levels in the River Thames would occur.
- 5.4.9 Scour depths for the jetty piles were calculated under a range of tidal and river flow conditions and due to the propeller wash of vessels moored at the Silvertown jetty. The results showed that the maximum scour depth due to propeller wash with 1m underkeel clearance would be in the region of 2.6m, and that the appropriate armoured rock scour protection would be required.

### **5.5 Implications for the Scheme**

- 5.5.1 The Scheme is defended up to a 'present day' 1 in 1000 year flood event. A River Wall Structural Condition Survey (Appendix 16.D) has indicated that it would be feasible to raise existing defences to the required TE2100 defence standard. Given this was to occur the Scheme would continue to be afforded this standard of protection over its lifetime, accounting for the predicted impacts of climate change.
- 5.5.2 The main source of flood risk is therefore a residual risk associated with a breach in the River Thames defences in combination with extreme tide levels.

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## 6. FLOOD MITIGATION MEASURES

### 6.1 Northern and Southern Worksites

- 6.1.1 As outlined in Section 5, the northern and southern worksites are potentially at residual risk of fluvial and coastal flooding, with existing river defences significantly reducing actual flood risk to the Scheme from the tidally dominated River Thames.
- 6.1.2 It is understood that construction of the Scheme will not impact on existing river walls, with a minimum clearance beneath the bored tunnel alignment and the defence foundations of 4m to the south and 5m to the north, or cause any increase in existing risk from this form of flooding, therefore no fluvial/coastal flood mitigation measures are required.

### 6.2 The Tunnel

- 6.2.1 In addition to the residual flood risk from the tidal River Thames, the permeability of the flood plain alluvial layers makes ground water infiltration a possible source of flood risk to the bored tunnel. This risk will be managed by design. Ingress to the bored tunnel will be restricted through seals between segments in the primary lining. Ingress into the cut and cover tunnel sections and to the retained cut (where that lies below groundwater level) will be through construction of a 'trough' with waterbars between the secant piled walls and the concrete base slab.
- 6.2.2 Flood risk to the tunnel from surface water runoff will also be mitigated by design, with cut off drainage provided at the tunnel portals to stop ingress of runoff from the approach roads. When the capacity of this system is exceeded, surface water flows would be collected by the combined drainage and kerb unit within the tunnel, draining to the low point sump. From here drainage discharges will be pumped to the northern services building compound where an impounding foul sump would be provided under the car park. This would then ultimately discharge to sewer or to the River Thames.

### 6.3 Flood Gates

- 6.3.1 Consideration has been given to providing flood gates at the tunnel entrances', which could be activated in the event of flooding being predicted. However, even if such gates were provided, the tunnel could not continue to operate during a flood event. The possibility of a flood resulting from a breach in the defences has therefore been weighed

against the damage that would be done to the tunnel and associated infrastructure in the case of the tunnel filling with water. Although some damage and substantial impact to key tunnel systems, for example, lighting and ventilation systems, would inevitably be incurred, requiring extensive repair and replacement, the tunnel structure itself is substantially resilient to immersion. It is therefore considered uneconomical to provide flood gates to guard against water ingress to the tunnel in the very unlikely event of the River Thames defences being breached.

- 6.3.2 It is recommended that the residual flood risk associated with defence breach, be managed through maintenance and improvement of the flood defences, as required, rather than by providing flood gates, which have operational implications.

#### **6.4 Floodplain Compensation**

- 6.4.1 As the Scheme is located within defended Flood Zone 3, there is no requirement to consider floodplain compensation.

#### **6.5 Flood Warning and Evacuation**

- 6.5.1 The Scheme is located immediately adjacent to the River Thames. In the event of a flood associated with a breach in the river defences, the Scheme would be subject to relatively deep and rapid inundation. A Flood Warning and Evacuation Plan has been prepared covering both the construction phase of the Scheme and its operational life time. Key to the plan is a link into the Environment Agency's advanced flood warning service.
- 6.5.2 In the implementation of the flood management plan during the construction phase, on-site operatives would be able to assess the need to put evacuation and Scheme shutdown procedures into action. During the operational lifetime of the Scheme on-site operatives would be able to assess the need to put tunnel closure and evacuation procedures into action.

## 7. SUMMARY

- 7.1.1 The Scheme comprises a new road tunnel linking areas north and south of the River Thames between Silvertown and the Greenwich Peninsula. The main objective of this new tunnel would be to reduce delays and closures at the Blackwall Tunnel by improving connections and offering an alternative crossing option. It is understood that a new tunnel would also help London's economy and population continue to grow, and would help to regenerate the area.
- 7.1.2 Land on both sides of the River Thames is gently undulating with ground levels in the region of 5mOD to 7mOD on the north side of the river and in the region of 3mOD to 7mOD on the south side. The bed of the River Thames is anticipated to have a gentle transverse dip ranging in elevation from 0mOD to -12mOD.
- 7.1.3 To the north of the River Thames the Scheme is mostly located in Flood Zone 3 but there is a small area located in Flood Zone 2, in the 1 in 1000 year floodplain. These areas benefit from flood defences which reduce the actual flood risk to the Scheme.
- 7.1.4 To the south of the River Thames the Scheme is located wholly within Flood Zone 3 in the 1 in 200 year floodplain of the River Thames and also benefits from defences that reduce the actual flood risk to the Scheme.
- 7.1.5 Silvertown tunnel is classed as 'Essential Infrastructure' by the NPPF. Therefore the Scheme needs to pass the Sequential and Exception Tests.
- 7.1.6 It is considered that Newham Council and the Royal Borough of Greenwich can demonstrate satisfaction of the Sequential Test since it would not be possible to locate the Silvertown Tunnel elsewhere in Flood Zone 1, whilst achieving the main purposes of the Scheme to reduce congestion at the Blackwall Tunnel.
- 7.1.7 The main source of flooding to the Scheme is from the breach of existing river defences in combination with extreme tide levels. This risk will be better understood following bespoke Hyder breach modelling that is currently underway.
- 7.1.8 The Environment Agency breach model results suggest that the Scheme is defended up to a 1 in 1000 year 'present day' event. However the current defences are lower than the future 2100 predicted water levels, so

if the defences are not raised to the proposed levels set out in the TE2100 plan, there is potential for future overtopping of the defences.

- 7.1.9 A River Wall Structural Condition Survey (Appendix 16.D) for the lengths of river wall located within the red line boundary on both sides of the river has been conducted by Atkins. The findings show that the majority of the defences are classed as either a condition grade 3 or 4, where 1 is classed as very good and 5 is classed as very poor. The survey also concludes that all sections of river wall have the potential to support future raising.
- 7.1.10 Based on existing available information, it is considered that part of the northern worksite area is at higher risk of flooding from surface water, due to the poor condition of existing local drainage infrastructure. However, Scheme design will mitigate this risk and presents an opportunity to provide betterment.
- 7.1.11 Residual risk to the Scheme and its users would be mitigated by the operation of a flood management plan, linked into the Environment Agency's advanced flood warning service. The plan would also be relevant to the construction phase of the Scheme.

## Annex A Flood Product Data

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Product 4 (Detailed Flood Risk) for: Proposed Silvertown Tunnel, Greenwich, London  
Requested by: Vicki Berg-Holdo, Hyder Consulting (UK) Ltd  
Reference: KSL150128EH56  
Date: 11 February 2015

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The information provided is based on the best data available as of the date of this letter.

You may feel it is appropriate to contact our office at regular intervals, to check whether any amendments/ improvements to the data for this location have been made. Should you re-contact us after a period of time, please quote the above reference in order to help us deal with your query.

This information is provided subject to the enclosed notice which you should read.

## Flood Map Confirmation

### **The Flood Map:**

Our Flood Map shows the natural floodplain for areas at risk from river and tidal flooding. The floodplain is specifically mapped ignoring the presence and effect of defences. Although flood defences reduce the risk of flooding they cannot completely remove that risk as they may be over topped or breached during a flood event.

The Flood Map indicates areas with a 1% (0.5% in tidal areas), Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP) - the probability of a flood of a particular magnitude, or greater, occurring in any given year, and a 0.1% AEP of flooding from rivers and/or the sea in any given year. In addition, the map also shows the location of some flood defences and the areas that benefit from them.

The Flood Map is intended to act as a guide to indicate the potential risk of flooding. When producing it we use the best data available to us at the time and also take into account historic flooding and local knowledge. The Flood Map is updated on a quarterly basis to account for any amendments required. These amendments are then displayed on the internet at <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/environment-agency>.

### **At this Site:**

The Flood Map shows that this site lies within the outline of Flood Zone 3. This zone comprises land assessed as having a 1 in 200 (0.5%) or greater annual probability of tidal flooding.

Enclosed is an extract of our Flood Map which shows this information for your area.

### **Method of production**

The Flood Map at this location has been derived using detailed modelling of the Thames Tidal Defences Study completed in March 2006 by Halcrow Group Ltd.

## Model Output Data – Thames Estuary 2100

You have requested in-channel flood levels for the tidal river Thames. These have been taken from the Thames Estuary 2100 (TE2100) study completed by HR Wallingford in 2008. The modelled nodes closest to your site are **2.44-2.47**; the locations of nearby nodes are also shown on the enclosed map.

### **Why have the levels changed?**

The TE2100 plan is now live and within it are a set of levels on which the flood risk management strategy is based. The plan is the overarching flood management strategy for the Thames Estuary and therefore any development planning should be based on the same underlying data.

### **What is the difference between the TE2100 levels and the 2008 Joint Probability levels that have previously been provided?**

The values of the two sets of levels are very similar for the present day scenario. However, the TE2100 takes into account operation of the Thames Barrier when considering future levels. The Thames Barrier requires regular maintenance and with additional closures the opportunity for maintenance will be reduced. When this happens, river levels – for which we would normally shut the barrier – will have to be allowed through to ensure that the barrier is not shut too often. For this reason, levels upstream of the barrier will increase and the tidal walls will need to be heightened to match. The levels previously provided do not take this scenario into consideration.

### **Why is there no return period for levels upstream of the barrier?**

The levels upstream of the barrier are the highest levels permitted by the operation of the Thames Barrier. If levels and flows are forecast to be any higher, the Thames Barrier would shut, ensuring that the tide is blocked and the river maintained to a low level. For this reason the probability of any given water level upstream of the Barrier is controlled and therefore any associated return period becomes irrelevant. The Thames Barrier and associated defence system has a 1 in 1000 year standard which means it ensures that flood risk is managed up to an event that has a 0.1% annual probability. The probability of water levels upriver is ultimately controlled by the staff at the Thames Barrier.

### **Why are the levels in west London higher than the defence crest levels?**

In west London there is a heavy influence from upstream flows (fluvial flows). The flood defences are built to manage tidal flood risk only. With very high fluvial flows, the river levels in west London could be above the 0.1% annual probability tidal level.

### **Why are the climate change/future west London levels lower than the present day levels?**

The climate change levels are assessed to determine the future tidal defence levels. For this reason they only account for extreme tidal events and not extreme fluvial flow events. The present day levels include extreme flows from upstream (fluvial events) as well as extreme tidal events.

For further information about the Thames Barrier please visit our website at:

<https://www.gov.uk/the-thames-barrier>

### TE2100 present day levels:

Levels downstream of the Thames Barrier are 0.1% AEP (1 in 1000) and levels upstream are the highest levels permitted by the Thames Barrier. The defence levels (left defence, right defence) are the minimum levels to which the defences should be built.

The defence levels near Teddington are lower than the extreme water levels because they take into account high fluvial events. The defences are tidal only.

Location	Node	Easting	Northing	Extreme water level (m)	Left defence (m)	Right defence (m)	Allow for future defence raising to a level of...	
							Left Bank (m)	Right Bank (m)
Greenwich	2.43	538582	178205	4.70	5.18	5.18	6.20	6.20
	2.47	539826	179982	4.65	5.18	5.18	6.20	6.20
Barrier	a2.49	541357	179535	4.63	5.18	5.18	6.20	6.20

**TE2100 climate change levels:**

The water levels in west London are lower than the current day extreme levels because they do not take into account extreme fluvial events; they are tidal only levels.

Location	Node	Easting	Northing	2065 to 2100		2100	
				Design water level	Defence level (both banks)	Design water level	Defence level (both banks)
Greenwich	2.43	538582	178205	5.19	5.70	5.68	6.20
	2.47	539826	179982	5.14	5.70	5.62	6.20
Barrier	a2.49	541357	179535	5.12	5.70	5.60	6.20

## Breach Modelling

The table below displays site-specific modelled flood levels at your site. These have been taken from Tidal Thames Breach modelling study completed by Halcrow Group Ltd in March 2012. The exact location of the given site-specific levels and the extent of the breach are shown on the enclosed map.

This modelling simulates tidal breaches along the Thames from Teddington to the Mar Dyke and River Darent. A series of approximately 100 tidal models were developed for the Environment Agency at pre-determined breach locations. These were chosen using a risk-based approach by examining critical locations based on low floodplain topography. For hard defences breaches are set at 20 m wide; for soft defences, breaches are 50 m wide. In both cases, defences are assumed to breach down to the ground level behind the defence.

Based on the 2008 Extreme Water Level Modelling, the 0.5% probability of annual exceedance (1 in 200 year joint probability – Thames Barrier Operational) tidal event was modelled for all breach locations with a current year baseline of 2005. In addition, for breaches downstream of the Thames Barrier, the 1 in 200 year plus climate change event (2107 epoch) was also modelled.

The modelled levels shown assume that the Thames has been breached at locations 'Grn02' and 'Grn04'.

Point	National Grid Reference		Modelled levels in m AODN for 0.5% AEP			
	Easting	Northing	Grn02		Grn04	
			2005	2107	2005	2107
1	539435	179051	3.75	N/A	3.01	4.31
2	539358	179139	3.75	N/A	3.01	4.31
3	539299	179217	3.75	N/A	3.01	4.31
4	539372	179289	3.75	N/A	3.01	4.31
5	539423	179348	3.75	N/A	3.01	4.31
6	539192	179295	3.75	N/A	3.01	4.31
7	539121	179353	3.75	N/A	3.01	4.31
8	539068	179427	3.75	N/A	3.01	4.31
9	539043	179564	3.75	N/A	3.01	4.31
10	539014	179665	3.75	N/A	3.01	4.31
11	539072	179830	No flood	N/A	No flood	4.31
12	539089	179609	3.75	N/A	3.01	4.31
13	539193	179599	3.75	N/A	3.01	4.31
14	539280	179695	3.75	N/A	No flood	4.31
15	539372	179722	No flood	N/A	No flood	4.31
16	539345	179591	3.75	N/A	No flood	4.31
17	539264	179524	3.75	N/A	No flood	4.31
18	539233	179444	3.75	N/A	No flood	4.31
19	539132	179519	3.75	N/A	3.01	4.31
20	539171	179423	No flood	N/A	No flood	4.31

## Upstream Inundation Modelling

The enclosed map shows the extent of the 0.5% AEP (1 in 200) and 0.1% AEP (1 in 1000) results for the Tidal Thames Upstream Inundation modelling study completed by Halcrow Group Ltd. in 2011.

Based on the 2008 Extreme Water Level Modelling, the 0.5% and 0.1% probability of annual exceedance (1 in 200 and 1 in 1000 year joint probability respectively – Thames Barrier Operational) tidal event was modelled with a current year baseline of 2005.

Using the domains created as part of the Flood Zones Improvements modelling completed by Halcrow Group Ltd. in 2006, the project generated outputs for water depths, velocity, levels and hazard. However the scenario modelled is that the Thames Barrier is operational but all linear defences have been removed. It uses the joint probability levels calculated in 2008 and only provides data for embayments upstream of the Thames Barrier.



Point	National Grid Reference		Modelled levels in m AODN for 2005 Epoch	
	Easting	Northing	0.5% (1 in 200) AEP	0.1% (1 in 1000) AEP
1	539435	179051	3.75	3.83
2	539358	179139	3.75	3.83
3	539299	179217	3.74	3.84
4	539372	179289	3.74	3.84
5	539423	179348	3.74	3.84
6	539192	179295	3.74	3.84
7	539121	179353	3.75	3.84
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## Defence Details

The design standard of protection of the flood defences in this area of the Thames is 0.1% AEP; they are designed to defend London up to a 1 in 1000 year flood event. The defences are all raised, man-made and privately owned. It is the riparian owners' responsibility to ensure that they are maintained to a crest level of 5.18 m AODN (the Flood Defence Level in this reach of the Thames). We inspect them twice a year to ensure that they remain fit for purpose. The current condition grade for defences in the area is 2 (good), on a scale of 1 (very good) to 5 (very poor). For more information on your rights and responsibilities as a riparian owner, please see our document 'Living on the edge' found on our website at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/riverside-ownership-rights-and-responsibilities>

There are no planned improvements in this area. Please see the 'Thames Estuary 2100' document on our website for the short, medium and long term Flood Risk Management strategy for London:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/flooding-thames-estuary-2100-te2100-plan>

### **Areas Benefiting from Flood Defences**

This site is within an area benefiting from flood defences, as shown on the enclosed extract of our Flood Map. Areas benefiting from flood defences are defined as those areas which benefit from formal flood defences specifically in the event of flooding from rivers with a 1% (1 in 100) chance in any given year, or flooding from the sea with a 0.5% (1 in 200) chance in any given year.

If the defences were not there, these areas would be flooded. An area of land may benefit from the presence of a flood defence even if the defence has overtopped, if the presence of the defence means that the flood water does not extend as far as it would if the defence were not there.

## Historic Flood Data

We hold records of historic flood events from rivers and the sea. Information on the floods that may have affected the area local to your site is provided below and in the enclosed map (if relevant).

### Flood Event Data

**1928** - The site was within a few metres of tidal flooding on the night of the 6th and morning of the 7th January. There was overtopping in the area during a storm surge (which coincided with high fresh water flows). An approximate level in the Thames at the time was X.XX m AODN.

We do not hold records of historic flood events from rivers and/or the sea affecting this site. However, please be aware that this does not necessarily mean that flooding has not occurred here in the past, as our records are not comprehensive.

Due to the fact that our records are not comprehensive, we would advise that you make further enquiries locally with specific reference to flooding at this location. You should consider contacting the relevant Local Planning Authority and/or water/sewerage undertaker for the area.

We map flooding to land, not individual properties. Our historic flood event record outlines are an indication of the geographical extent of an observed flood event. Our historic flood event outlines do not give any indication of flood levels for individual properties. They also do not imply that any property within the outline has flooded internally.

Please be aware that flooding can come from different sources. Examples of these are:

- from rivers or the sea;
- surface water (i.e. rainwater flowing over or accumulating on the ground before it is able to enter rivers or the drainage system);
- overflowing or backing up of sewer or drainage systems which have been overwhelmed,
- groundwater rising up from underground aquifers

Currently the Environment Agency can only supply flood risk data relating to the chance of flooding from rivers or the sea. However you should be aware that in recent years, there has been an increase in flood damage caused by surface water flooding or drainage systems that have been overwhelmed.

## Additional Information

### Use of Environment Agency Information for Flood Risk / Flood Consequence Assessments

#### Important

If you have requested this information to help inform a development proposal, then we recommend that you undertake a formal pre-application enquiry using the form available from our website:-

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/pre-planning-application-enquiry-form-preliminary-opinion>

Depending on the enquiry, we may also provide advice on other issues related to our responsibilities including flooding, waste, land contamination, water quality, biodiversity, navigation, pollution, water resources, foul drainage or Environmental Impact Assessment.

In **England**, you should refer to the Environment Agency's Flood Risk Standing Advice, the technical guidance to the National Planning Policy Framework and the existing PPS25 Practice Guide for information about what flood risk assessment is needed for new development in the different Flood Zones. These documents can be accessed via:

<https://www.gov.uk/flood-risk-standing-advice-frsa-for-local-planning-authorities>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-planning-policy-framework-technical-guidance>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/development-and-flood-risk-practice-guide-planning-policy-statement-25>

You should also consult the Strategic Flood Risk Assessment produced by your local planning authority.

You should note that:

1. Information supplied by the Environment Agency may be used to assist in producing a Flood Risk / Consequence Assessment (FRA / FCA) where one is required, but does not constitute such an assessment on its own.
2. This information covers flood risk from main rivers and the sea, and you will need to consider other potential sources of flooding, such as groundwater or overland runoff. The information produced by the local planning authority referred to above may assist here.
3. Where a planning application requires a FRA / FCA and this is not submitted or deficient, the Environment Agency may well raise an objection.
4. For more significant proposals in higher flood risk areas, we would be pleased to discuss details with you ahead of making any planning application, and you should also discuss the matter with your local planning authority.

## Development and Flood Risk

Finished floor levels using TE2100 design levels:

We have recently moved to issuing design water levels from the TE2100 project as part of data requests. Developers should use these levels as part of their flood risk assessments for elements impacted by in-river levels, for example defence crest heights etc. We are in the process of carrying out revised breach modelling for the floodplains based on these new in-river levels. Until this new breach modelling is available, developers may continue to use our existing (2008) breach modelling levels to inform their flood risk assessments and to set finished floor levels in developments at residual risk (where this data is available). Developers should be aware that these levels will be changing in the future and are likely to result in recommended finished floor levels being set at a higher level to that currently used. Developers may wish to undertake their own updated breach modelling using our TE2100 data, which we can supply on request where available.

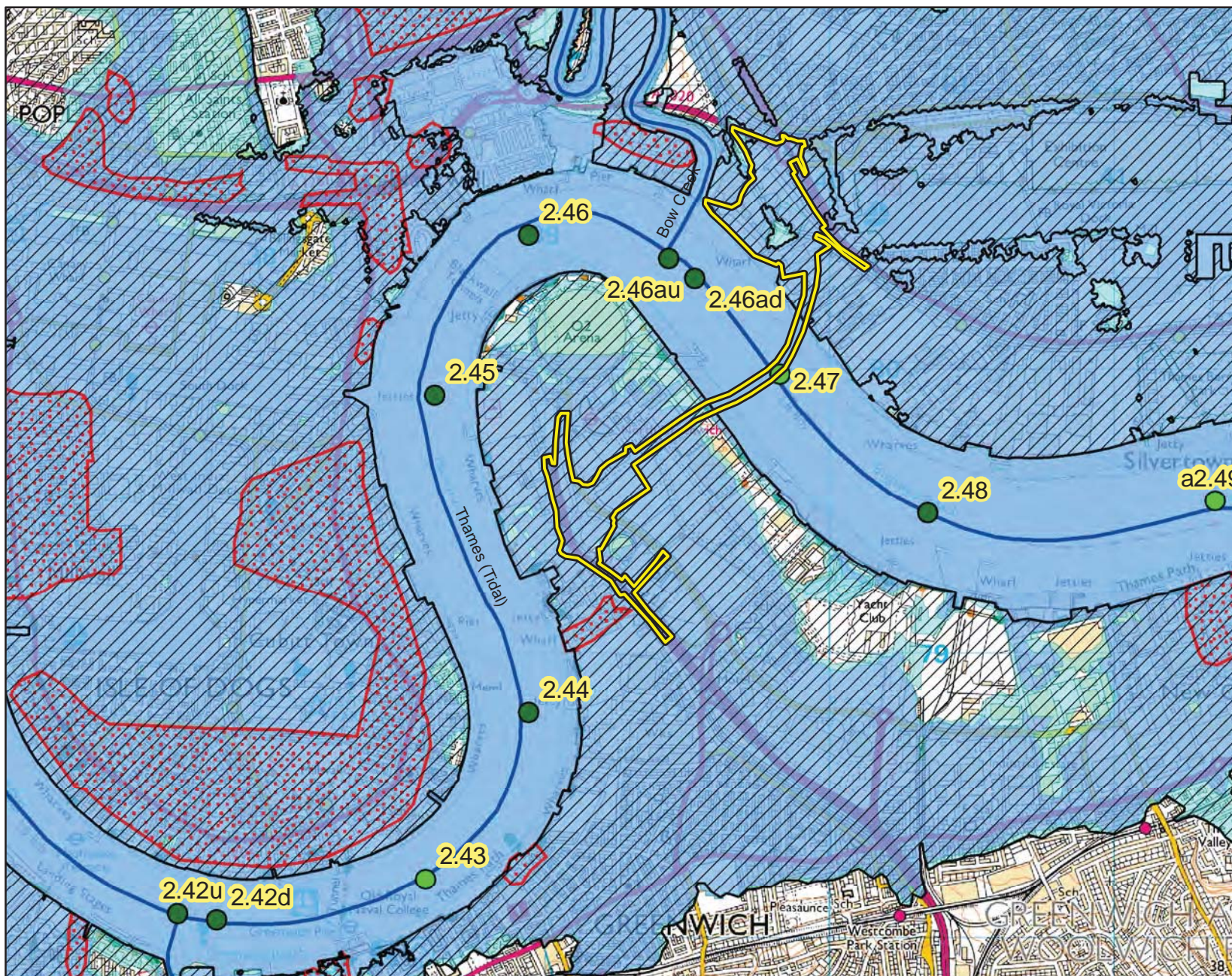
## Surface Water

We have provided two national Surface Water maps, under our Strategic Overview for flooding, to your Lead Local Flood Authority – Royal Borough of Greenwich – who are responsible for local flood risk (i.e. surface runoff, ground water and ordinary watercourse), which alongside their existing local information will help them in determining what best represents surface water flood risk in your area.

Royal Borough of Greenwich have reviewed these and determined what it believes best represents surface water flood risk. You should therefore contact this authority so they can provide you with the most up to date information about surface water flood risk in your area.

You may also wish to consider contacting the appropriate relevant Local Planning Authority and/or water/sewerage undertaker for the area. They may be able to provide some knowledge on the risk of flooding from other sources. We are working with these organisations to improve knowledge and understanding of surface water flooding.

# Flood Zone Map centred on NGR TQ3928379562 [Ref: KSL150128EH56]



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## LEGEND

- Site Location Polygon
- Nodes - Modelled levels
- Nodes - Interpolated levels
- Main Rivers
- Areas benefiting from Flood Defences
- Jan 1928 Flood Outline
- Flood Zone 3
- Flood Zone 2

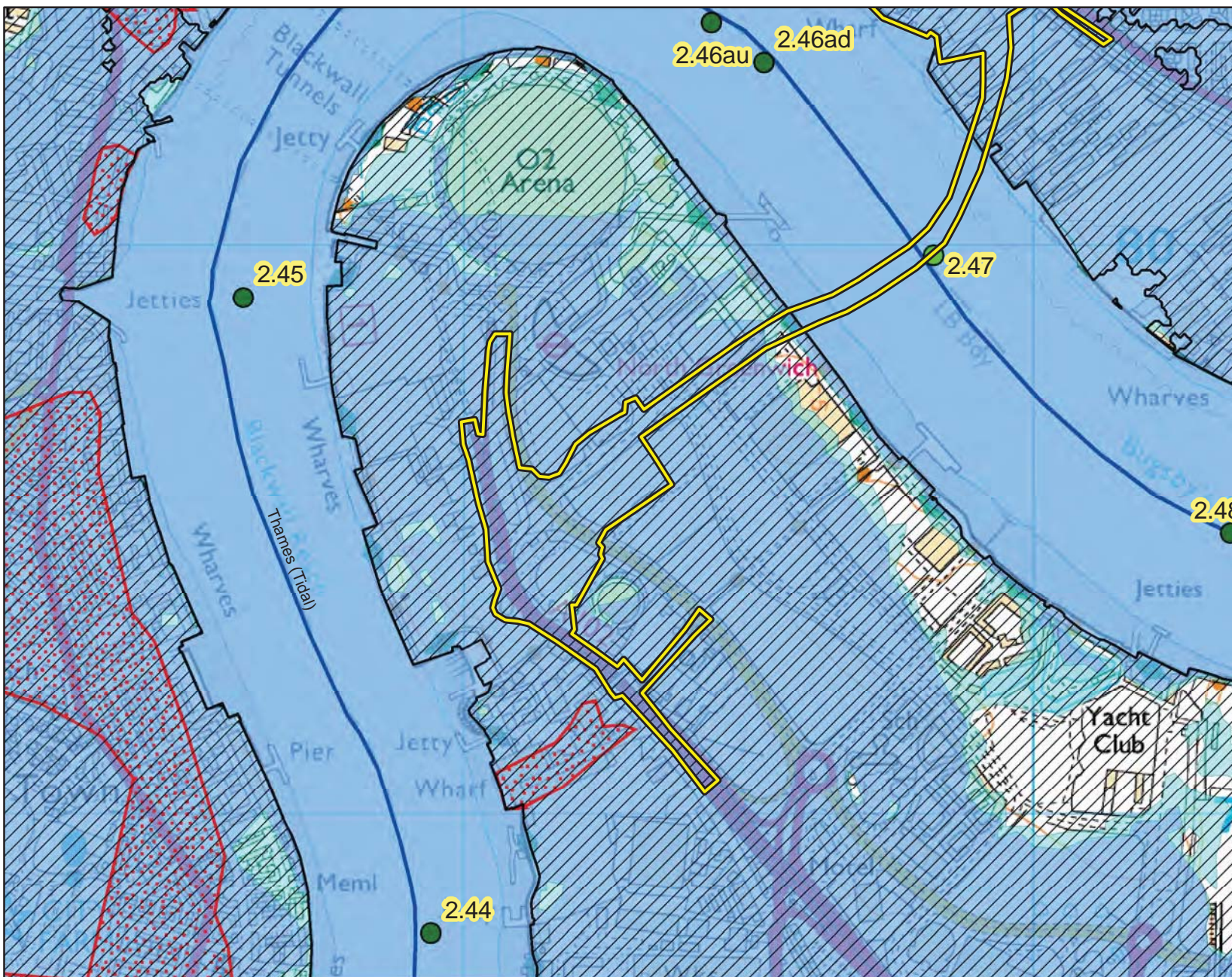
## Flood Map Areas (assuming no defences)

**Flood Zone 3** shows the area that could be affected by flooding:

- from the sea with a 0.5% or greater chance of occurring each year
- or from a river with a 1% or greater chance of occurring each year.

**Flood Zone 2** shows the extent of an extreme flood from rivers or the sea with up to a 0.1% chance of occurring each year.

# Flood Zone Map centred on NGR TQ3928379562 [Ref: KSL150128EH56]



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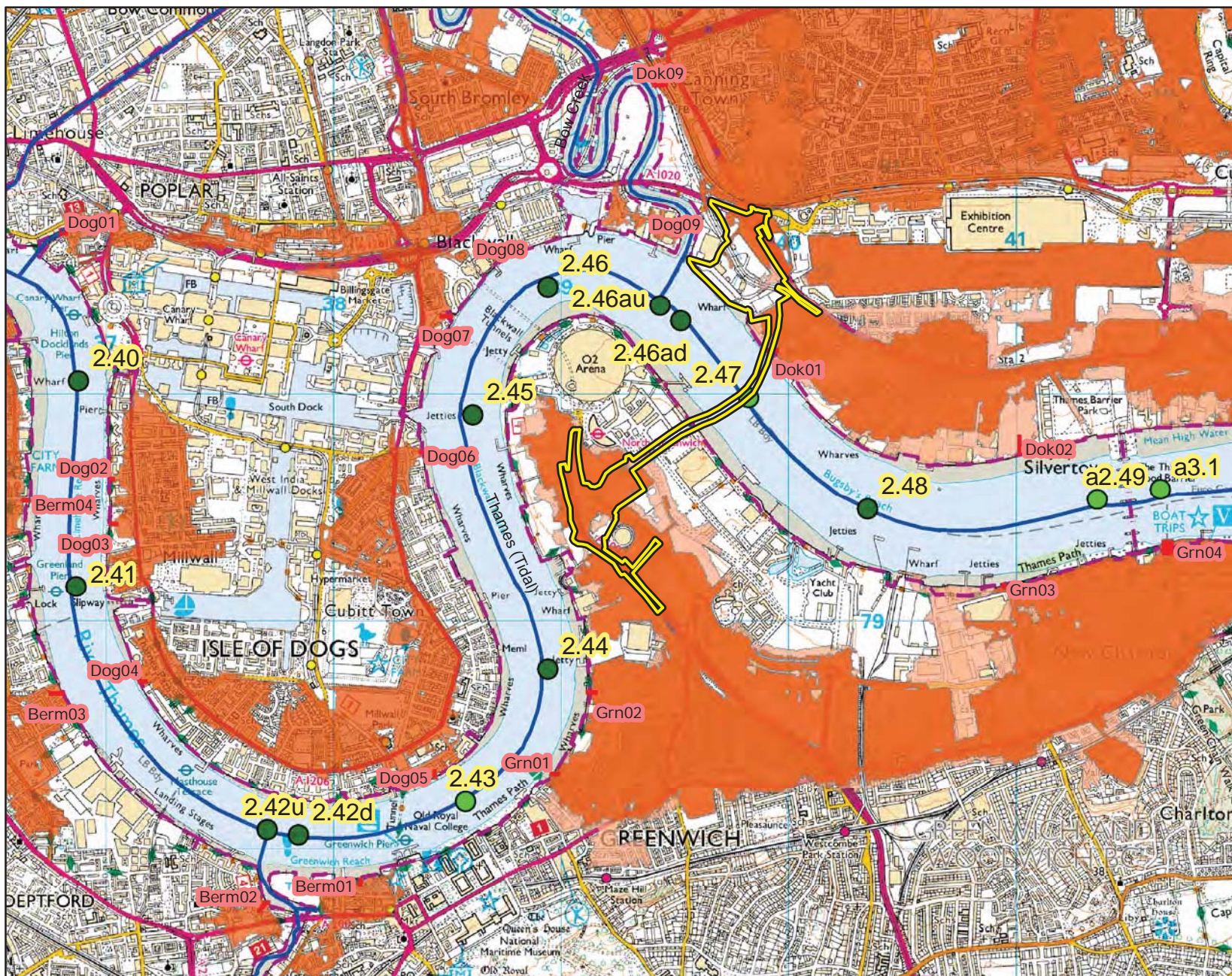
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# Breach Model Map centred on NGR TQ3928379562 [Ref: KSL150128EH56]



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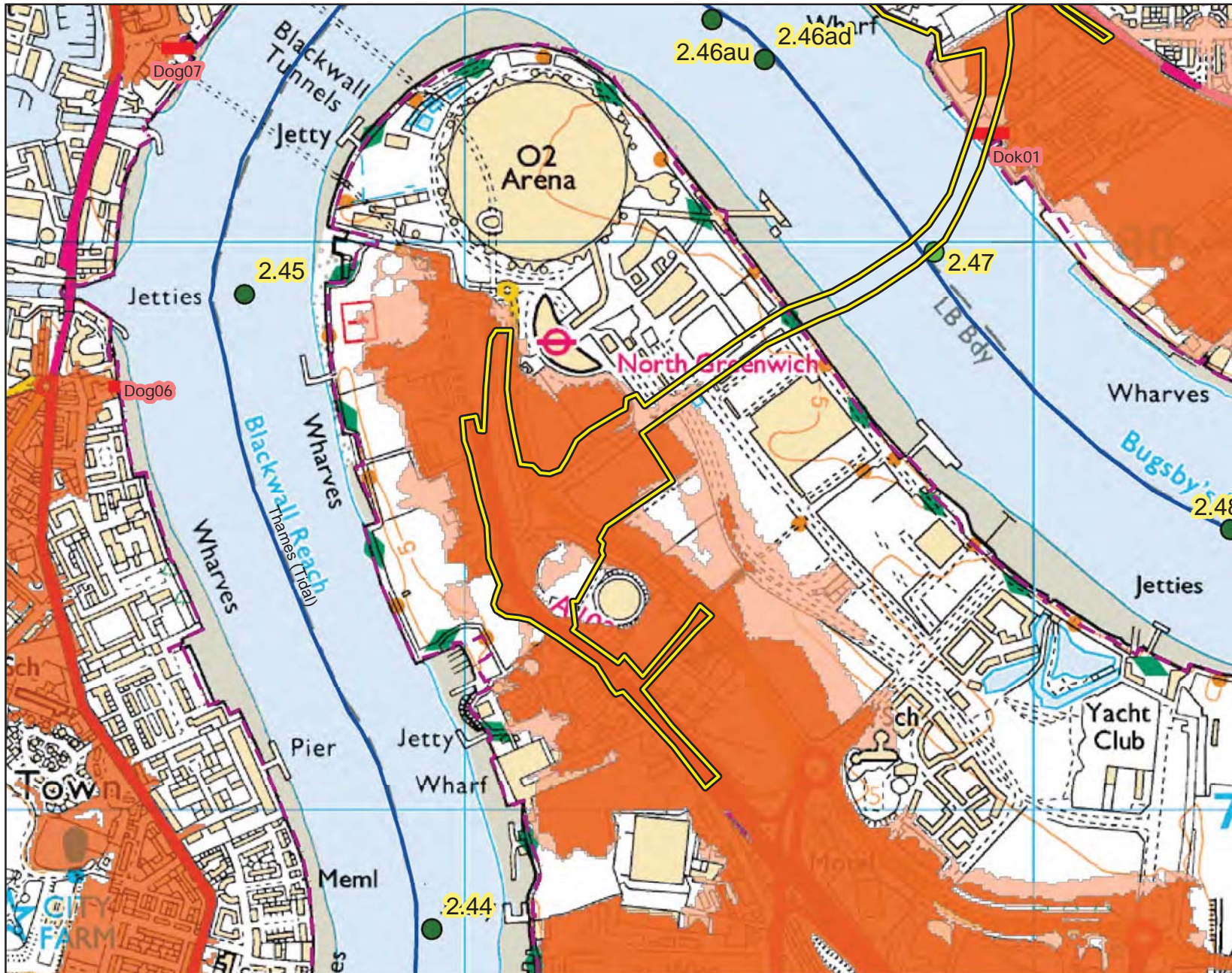
- Site Location Polygon
- Nodes - Modelled levels
- Nodes - Interpolated levels
- Breach Locations
- Main Rivers
- Flood Map - Defences
- 0.5% AEP (1 in 200 year) 2005 Max Flood Extent
- 0.5% AEP (1 in 200 year) 2107 Max Flood Extent

## Thames Tidal Breach Modelling 2012

A modelled representation of tidal breaches along the Thames from Teddington to the Mar Dyke and River Darent, based on low floodplain topography. For hard defences breaches are set at 20 m wide; for soft defences, breaches are 50 m wide. In both cases, defences are assumed to breach down to the ground level behind the defence. The modelling is based on the Extreme Water Levels 2008 (current year 2005), and includes 0.5% (1 in 200) chance in any year. In the case of breaches downstream of the Thames Barrier, the 1 in 200 year plus climate change event (2107 epoch) was also modelled.



# Breach Model Map centred on NGR TQ3928379562 [Ref: KSL150128EH56]



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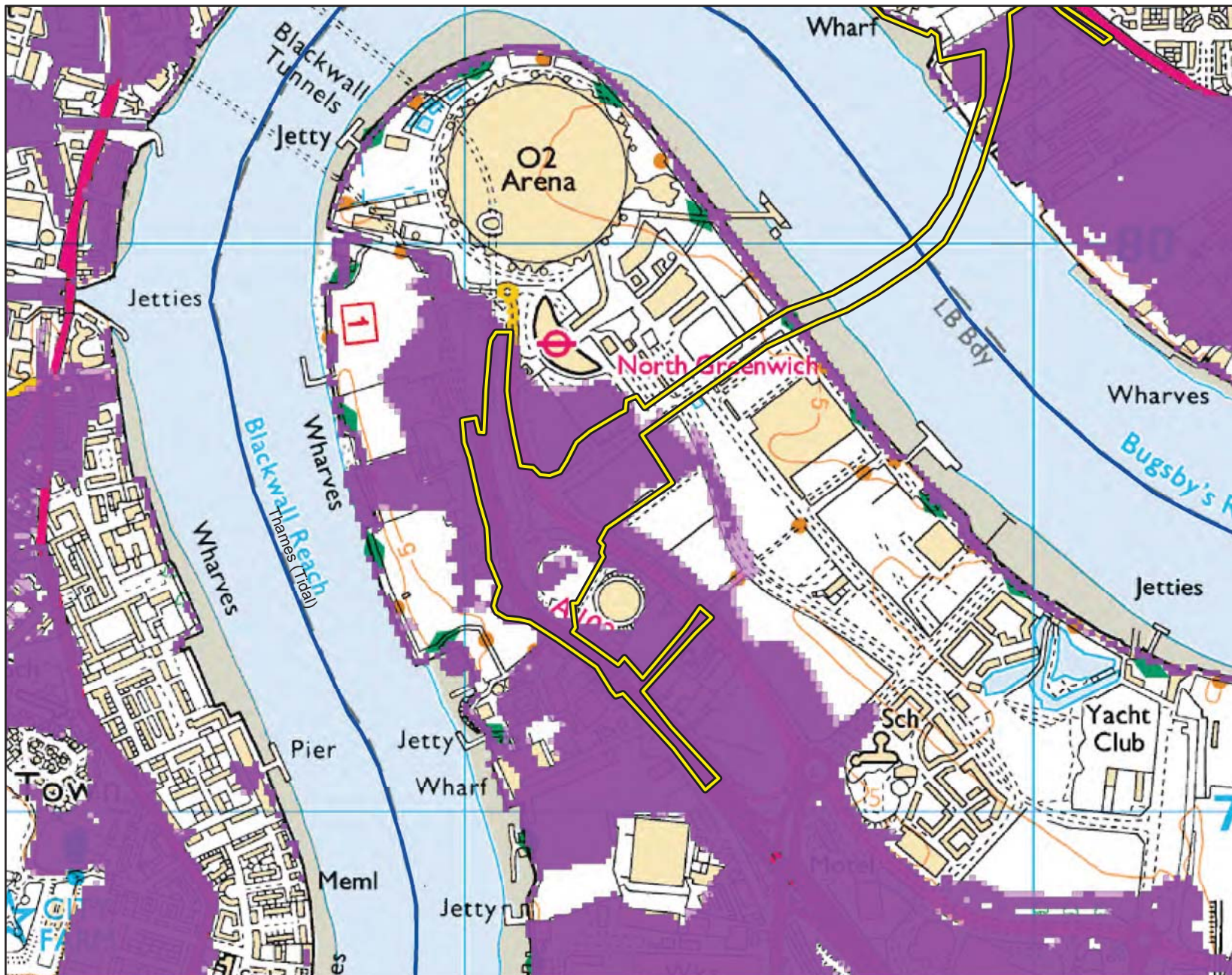
## LEGEND

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# Upstream Inundation Model Map centred on NGR TQ3928379562 [Ref: KSL150128EH56]



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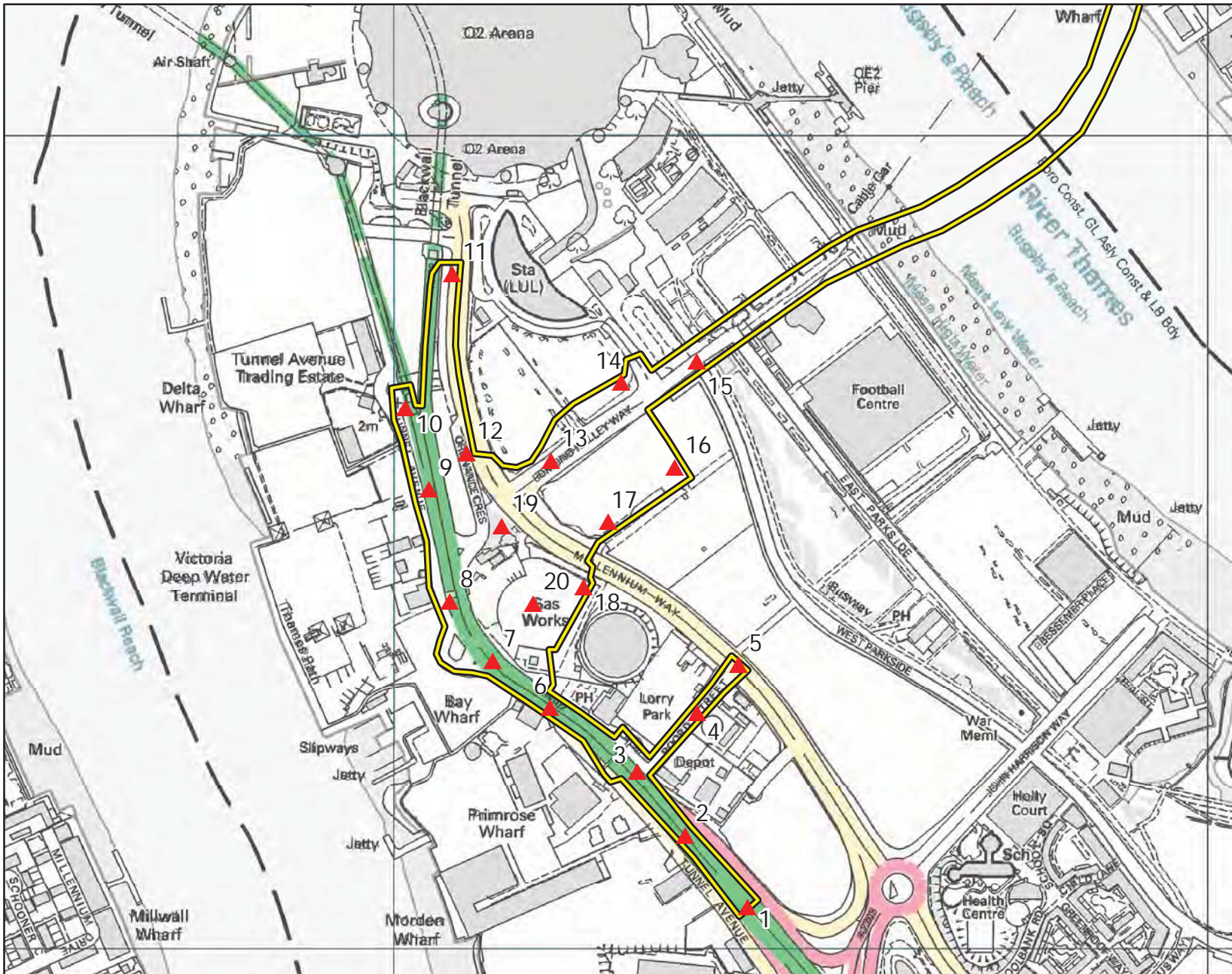
## LEGEND

- Site Location Polygon
- Main Rivers
- 0.5% AEP (1 in 200 year) Maximum Flood Extent
- 0.1% AEP (1 in 1000 year) Maximum Flood Extent

## Upstream Inundation Modelling 2011

A modelled representation of at-risk areas, assuming no defences, based on the upstream levels from the Thames Barrier operational scenarios. These are the levels that are provided to developers to include in flood risk assessments. The modelling is based on the Extreme Water Levels 2008 (current year 2005), and includes 0.5% (1 in 200) and 0.1% (1 in 1000) chance in any year.

# Site Node Locations Map centred on NGR TO3928379562 [Ref: KSL150128EH56]





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## Legend

-  Node Point Locations
-  Site Location Polygon

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The information provided is based on the best data available as of the date of this letter.

You may feel it is appropriate to contact our office at regular intervals, to check whether any amendments/ improvements to the data for this location have been made. Should you re-contact us after a period of time, please quote the above reference in order to help us deal with your query.

This information is provided subject to the enclosed notice which you should read.

## Flood Map Confirmation

### **The Flood Map for Planning (rivers and the sea):**

The Flood Map shows the natural floodplain for areas at risk from river and tidal flooding. The floodplain is specifically mapped ignoring the presence and effect of defences. Although flood defences reduce the risk of flooding they cannot completely remove that risk as they may be over topped or breached during a flood event.

The Flood Map shows Flood Zone 3 - areas with a 1% (or 0.5% in tidal areas) chance of flooding in any given year and Flood Zone 2 – areas with a 0.1% chance of flooding in any given year. In addition, the map also shows the location of some flood defences and the areas that benefit from them.

The Flood Map is intended to act as a guide to indicate the potential risk of flooding. When producing it we use the best data available to us at the time and also take into account historic flooding and local knowledge. The Flood Map is updated on a quarterly basis to account for any amendments required. These amendments are then displayed on the internet at <http://maps.environment-agency.gov.uk>. Select “Flood Map for Planning (Rivers and Sea).”

### **At this Site:**

The Flood Map shows that this site; lies within Flood Zone 3 - with a 0.5% chance of flooding from the sea (tidal flooding) in any given year

Enclosed is an extract of our Flood Map which shows this information for your area.

### **Method of production**

The Flood Map at this location has been derived using detailed modelling of the Thames Tidal Defences Study completed in March 2006 by Halcrow Ltd.

## Model Output Data – Thames Estuary 2100

You have requested in-channel flood levels for the tidal river Thames. These have been taken from the **Thames Estuary 2100 study completed by HR Wallingford in 2008**.

The TE2100 plan is now live and within it are a set of levels on which the flood risk management strategy is based. The plan is the overarching flood management strategy for the Thames Estuary and therefore any development planning should be based on the same underlying data.

### **What is the difference between the TE2100 levels and the 2008 Joint Probability levels that have previously been provided?**

The values of the two sets of levels are very similar for the present day scenario. However, the TE2100 takes into account operation of the Thames Barrier when considering future levels. The Thames Barrier requires regular maintenance and with additional closures the opportunity for maintenance will be reduced. When this happens, river levels for which we would normally shut the barrier, will have to be allowed through to ensure that the barrier is not shut too often. For this reason, levels upstream of the barrier will increase and the tidal walls will need to be heightened to match. The levels previously provided do not take this scenario into consideration.

### **Why is there no return period for levels upstream of the barrier?**

The levels upstream of the barrier are the highest levels permitted by the operation of the Thames Barrier. If levels and flows are forecast to be any higher, the Thames Barrier would shut, ensuring that the tide is blocked and the river maintained to a low level. For this reason the probability of any given water level upstream of the Barrier is controlled and therefore any associated return period becomes irrelevant. The Thames Barrier and associated defence system have a 1 in 1000 standard which means they ensures that flood risk is managed up to an event that has a 0.1% chance of occurring in any given year. The probability of water levels upriver is ultimately controlled by operation of the Thames Barrier.

For further information about the Thames Barrier please visit our website at:

**<http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/homeandleisure/floods/38353.aspx>**

**TE2100 flood levels:**

Upstream of the Thames Barrier, the levels provided are the highest levels permitted by the Barrier.  
Downstream of the Thames Barrier they are the 1 in 1000 (0.1%) levels.

Location	Node	Easting	Northing	Present Day Water Level	Future 2065-2100 Water Level	Future 2100 Water Level
<b>Greenwich</b>	<b>2.44</b>	<b>538943</b>	<b>178790</b>	<b>4.69</b>	<b>5.18</b>	<b>5.67</b>
	<b>2.45</b>	<b>538614</b>	<b>179907</b>	<b>4.68</b>	<b>5.17</b>	<b>5.66</b>
	<b>2.46</b>	<b>538943</b>	<b>180471</b>	<b>4.67</b>	<b>5.16</b>	<b>5.65</b>
	<b>2.46au</b>	<b>539436</b>	<b>180390</b>	<b>4.66</b>	<b>5.15</b>	<b>5.64</b>
	<b>2.46ad</b>	<b>539528</b>	<b>180320</b>	<b>4.66</b>	<b>5.15</b>	<b>5.63</b>
	<b>2.47</b>	<b>539826</b>	<b>179982</b>	<b>4.65</b>	<b>5.14</b>	<b>5.62</b>
	<b>2.48</b>	<b>540347</b>	<b>179492</b>	<b>4.64</b>	<b>5.13</b>	<b>5.61</b>



**TE2100 defence levels:**

The table below shows both the current defence level, and the TE2100 plan future defence levels. New development should either include future defence raising or demonstrate that future raising has been allowed for.

Note: The defence levels near Teddington may be lower than the water levels because they take into account high fluvial events. The defences are tidal only.

Location	Node	Easting	Northing	Current Defence Levels		Allow for future defence raising (both banks) to a level of...	
				Left	Right	2065-2100	2100
Greenwich	2.44	538943	178790	5.18	5.18	5.70	6.20
	2.45	538614	179907	5.18	5.18	5.70	6.20
	2.46	538943	180471	5.18	5.18	5.70	6.20
	2.46au	539436	180390	5.18	5.18	5.70	6.20
	2.46ad	539528	180320	5.18	5.18	5.70	6.20
	2.47	539826	179982	5.18	5.18	5.70	6.20
	2.48	540347	179492	5.18	5.18	5.70	6.20

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## Breach Modelling

The table below displays site specific modelled flood levels at your site. These have been taken from **Tidal Thames Breach modelling study completed by Halcrow in March 2012**. The exact location of the given site specific levels and the extent of the breach is shown on the enclosed map.

This modelling simulates tidal breaches along the Thames from Teddington to the Mar Dyke and River Darent. A series of approximately 100 tidal models were developed for the Environment Agency at pre-determined breach locations. These were chosen using a risk-based approach by examining critical locations based on low floodplain topography. For hard defences breaches are set at 20 m wide; for soft defences, breaches are 50 m wide. In both cases, defences are assumed to breach down to the ground level behind the defence.

Based on the 2008 Extreme Water Level Modelling, the 0.5% probability of annual exceedance (1 in 200 year joint probability – Thames Barrier Operational) tidal event was modelled for all breach locations with a current year baseline of 2005. In addition, for breaches downstream of Greenwich, the 1 in 200 year plus climate change event (2107 epoch) was also modelled.

Point	National Grid Reference		Modelled levels in m AODN for 0.5% AEP	
	Easting	Northing	2005	2107
0	539721	180616	0.000	2.372
1	539727	180654	0.000	2.371
2	539746	180666	0.000	2.371
3	539779	180717	0.000	2.371
4	539792	180765	0.000	2.370
5	539751	180762	0.000	2.369
6	539769	180805	0.000	2.369
7	539832	180791	0.000	2.369
8	539904	180794	0.000	2.370
9	539890	180751	0.000	2.369
10	539906	180719	0.000	2.369
11	539867	180697	0.000	2.370
12	539868	180640	0.000	2.370
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Point	National Grid Reference		Modelled levels in m AODN	
	Easting	Northing	1 in 200 (0.5%)	1 in 1000 (0.1%)
<b>0</b>	539573	180587	4.937	4.837
<b>1</b>	539787	180389	4.754	4.782
<b>2</b>	539837	180360	3.129	3.505
<b>3</b>	539859	180332	4.376	4.435
<b>4</b>	539917	180345	4.375	4.434
<b>5</b>	539927	180259	4.380	4.439
<b>6</b>	539917	180186	4.742	4.775
<b>7</b>	540124	180361	4.353	4.413
<b>8</b>	540079	180392	4.363	4.423
<b>9</b>	540026	180436	4.367	4.426

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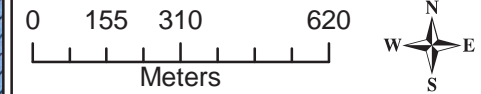
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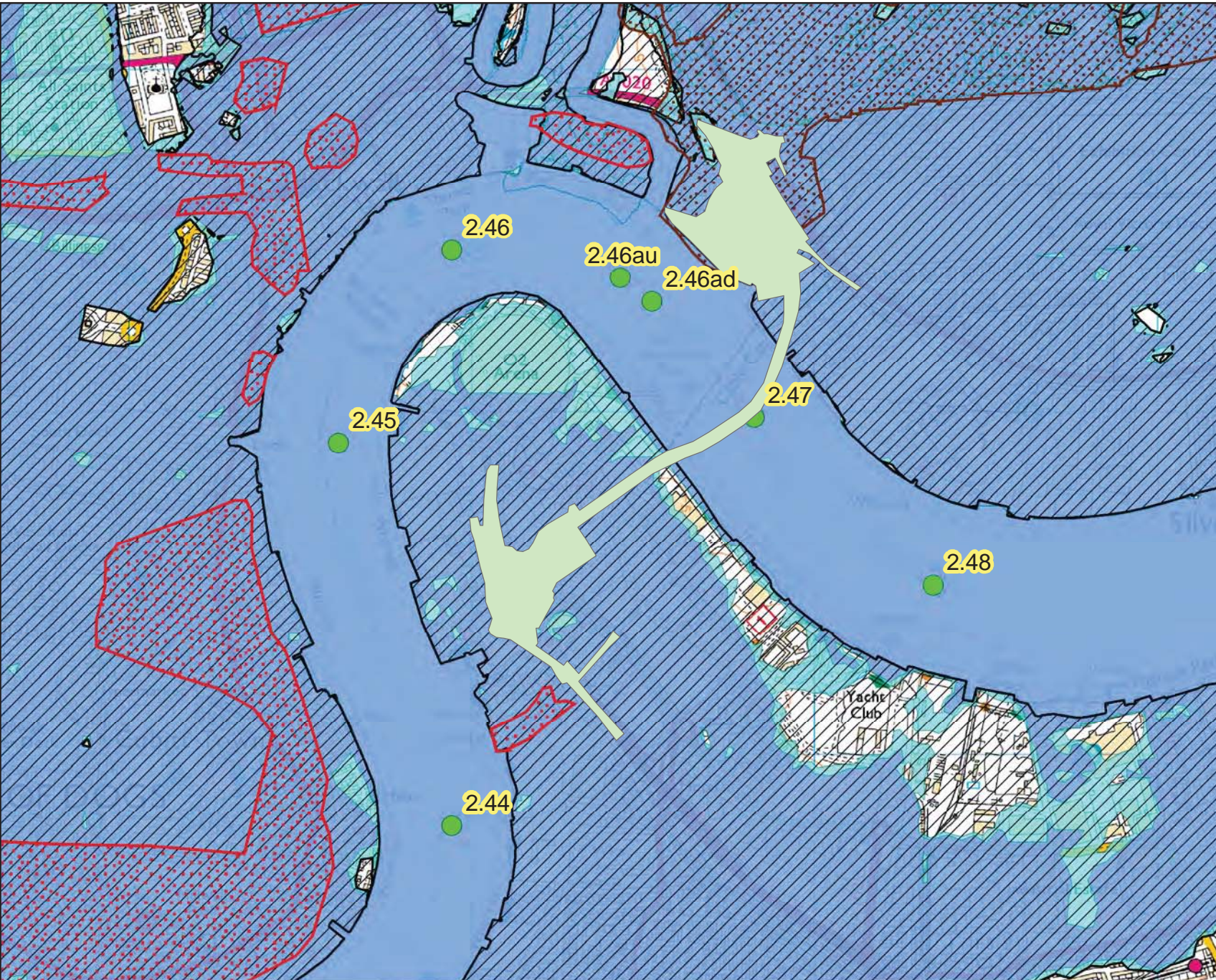
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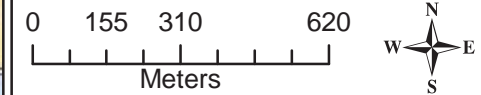
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**SDL**

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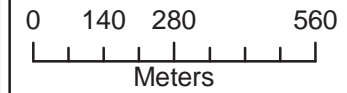
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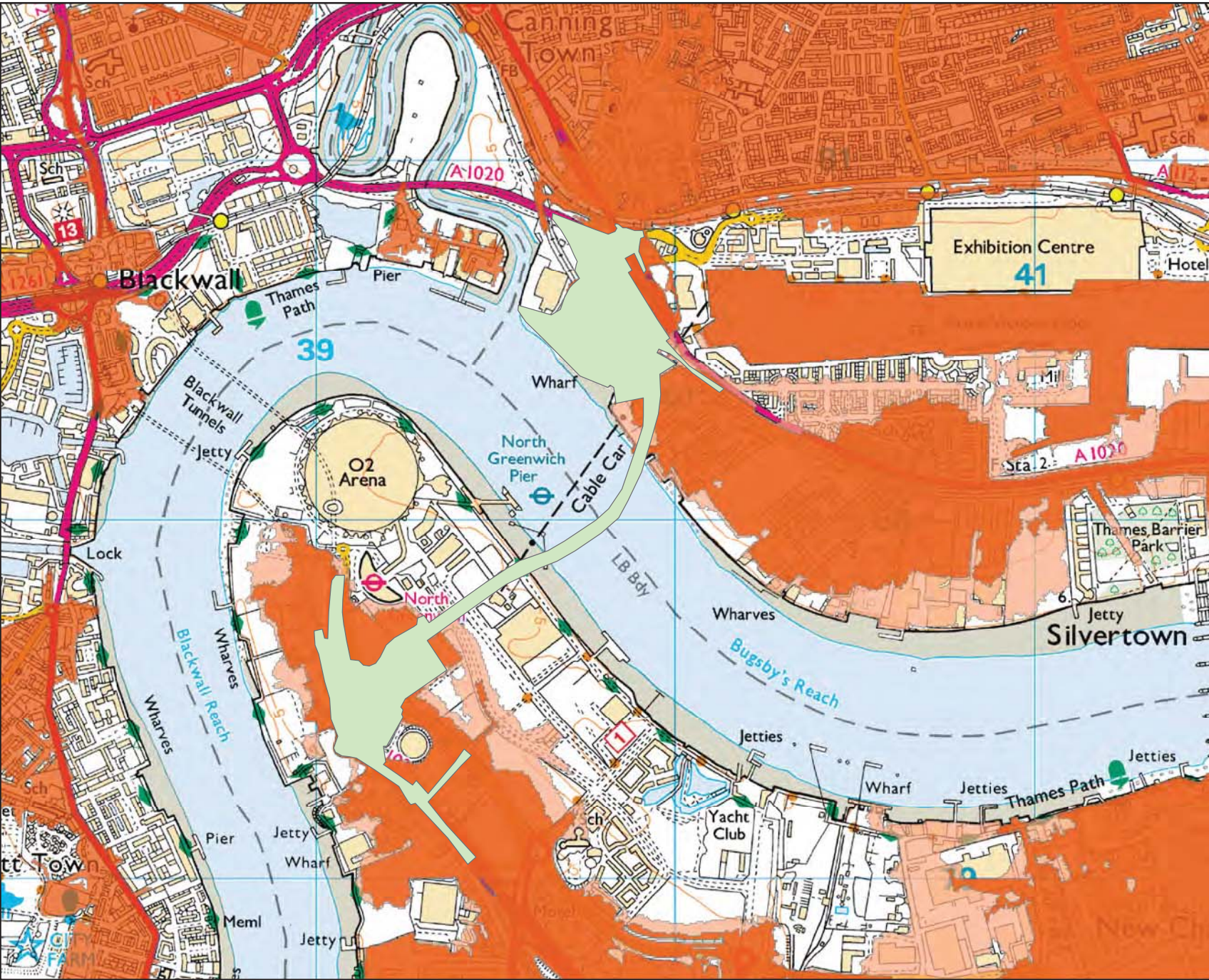


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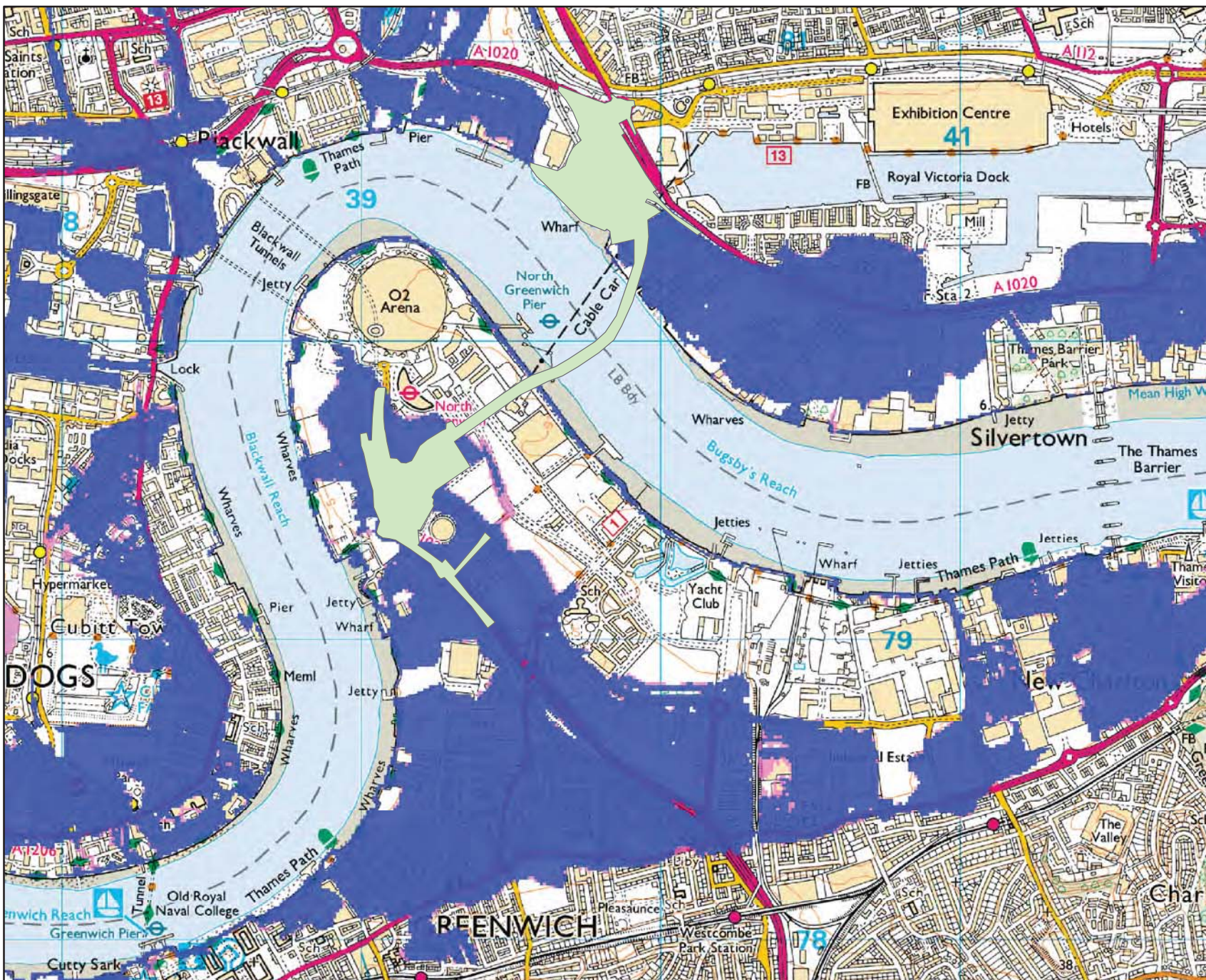
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The information provided is based on the best data available as of the date of this letter.

You may feel it is appropriate to contact our office at regular intervals, to check whether any amendments/ improvements to the data for this location have been made. Should you re-contact us after a period of time, please quote the above reference in order to help us deal with your query.

This information is provided subject to the enclosed notice which you should read.

## Flood Map Confirmation

### **The Flood Map for Planning (rivers and the sea):**

The Flood Map shows the natural floodplain for areas at risk from river and tidal flooding. The floodplain is specifically mapped ignoring the presence and effect of defences. Although flood defences reduce the risk of flooding they cannot completely remove that risk as they may be over topped or breached during a flood event.

The Flood Map shows Flood Zone 3 - areas with a 1% (or 0.5% in tidal areas) chance of flooding in any given year and Flood Zone 2 – areas with a 0.1% chance of flooding in any given year. In addition, the map also shows the location of some flood defences and the areas that benefit from them.

The Flood Map is intended to act as a guide to indicate the potential risk of flooding. When producing it we use the best data available to us at the time and also take into account historic flooding and local knowledge. The Flood Map is updated on a quarterly basis to account for any amendments required. These amendments are then displayed on the internet at <http://maps.environment-agency.gov.uk>. Select “Flood Map for Planning (Rivers and Sea).”

### **At this Site:**

The Flood Map shows that this site lies within Flood Zone 3 - with a 0.5% chance of flooding from the sea (tidal flooding) in any given year.

Enclosed is an extract of our Flood Map which shows this information for your area.

### **Method of production**

The Flood Map at this location has been derived using detailed modelling of the Thames Tidal Defences Study completed in March 2006 by Halcrow Ltd.

## Model Output Data – Thames Estuary 2100

You have requested in-channel flood levels for the tidal river Thames. These have been taken from the **Thames Estuary 2100 study completed by HR Wallingford in 2008**. The modelled node closest to your site is **2.46ad**; the location of these nodes is also shown on the enclosed map.

The TE2100 plan is now live and within it are a set of levels on which the flood risk management strategy is based. The plan is the overarching flood management strategy for the Thames Estuary and therefore any development planning should be based on the same underlying data.

### **What is the difference between the TE2100 levels and the 2008 Joint Probability levels that have previously been provided?**

The values of the two sets of levels are very similar for the present day scenario. However, the TE2100 takes into account operation of the Thames Barrier when considering future levels. The Thames Barrier requires regular maintenance and with additional closures the opportunity for maintenance will be reduced. When this happens, river levels for which we would normally shut the barrier, will have to be allowed through to ensure that the barrier is not shut too often. For this reason, levels upstream of the barrier will increase and the tidal walls will need to be heightened to match. The levels previously provided do not take this scenario into consideration.

### **Why is there no return period for levels upstream of the barrier?**

The levels upstream of the barrier are the highest levels permitted by the operation of the Thames Barrier. If levels and flows are forecast to be any higher, the Thames Barrier would shut, ensuring that the tide is blocked and the river maintained to a low level. For this reason the probability of any given water level upstream of the Barrier is controlled and therefore any associated return period becomes irrelevant. The Thames Barrier and associated defence system have a 1 in 1000 standard which means they ensures that flood risk is managed up to an event that has a 0.1% chance of occurring in any given year. The probability of water levels upriver is ultimately controlled by operation of the Thames Barrier.

For further information about the Thames Barrier please visit our website at:

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**TE2100 flood levels:**

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	2.46au	539436	180390	4.66	5.15	5.64
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**TE2100 defence levels:**

The table below shows both the current defence level, and the TE2100 plan future defence levels. New development should either include future defence raising or demonstrate that future raising has been allowed for.

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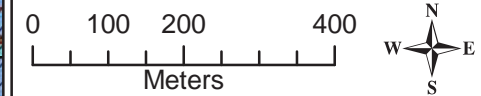
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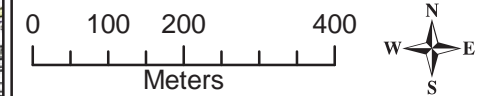
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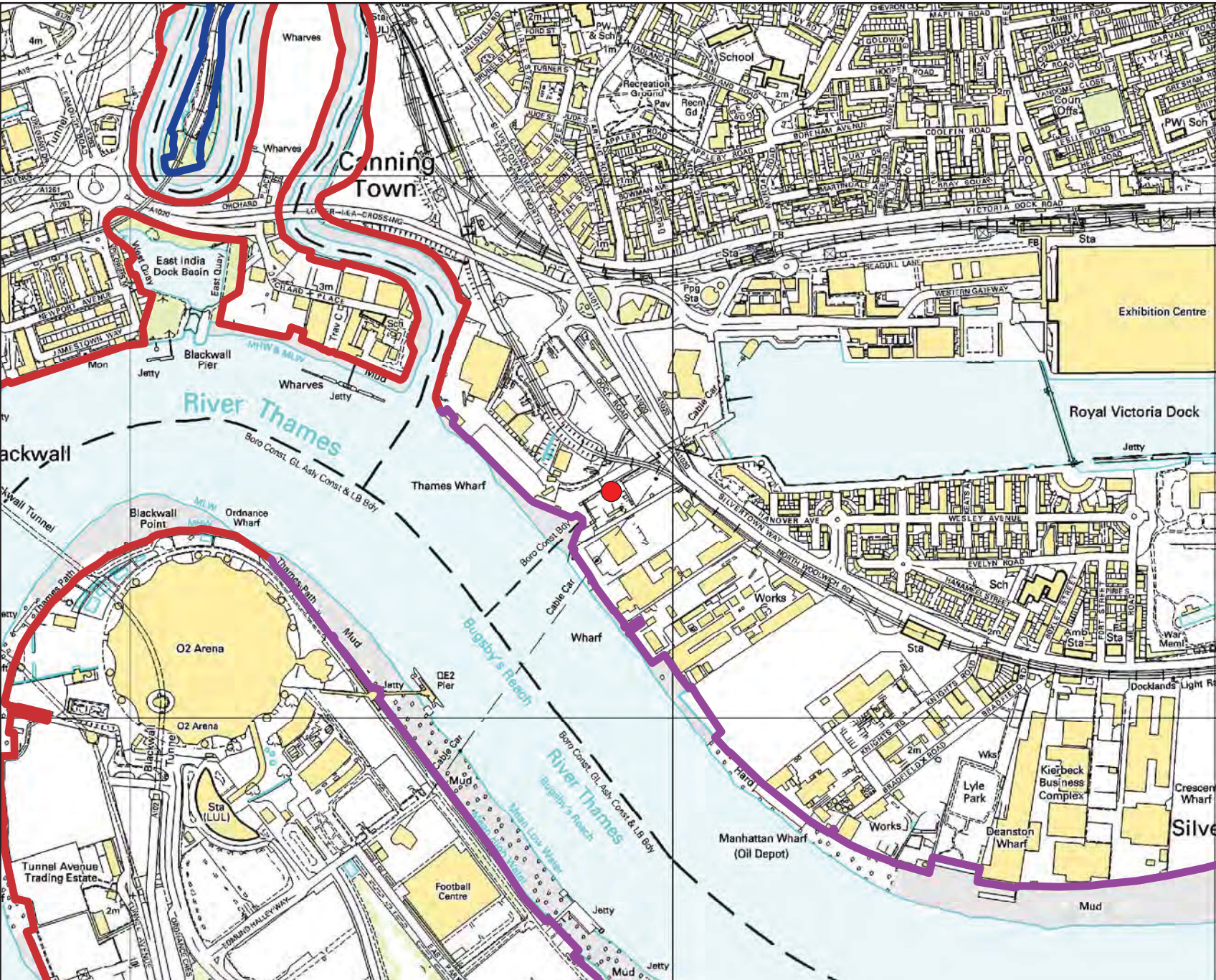
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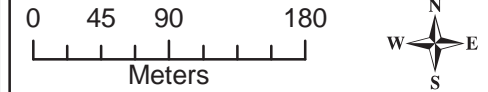
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## Legend

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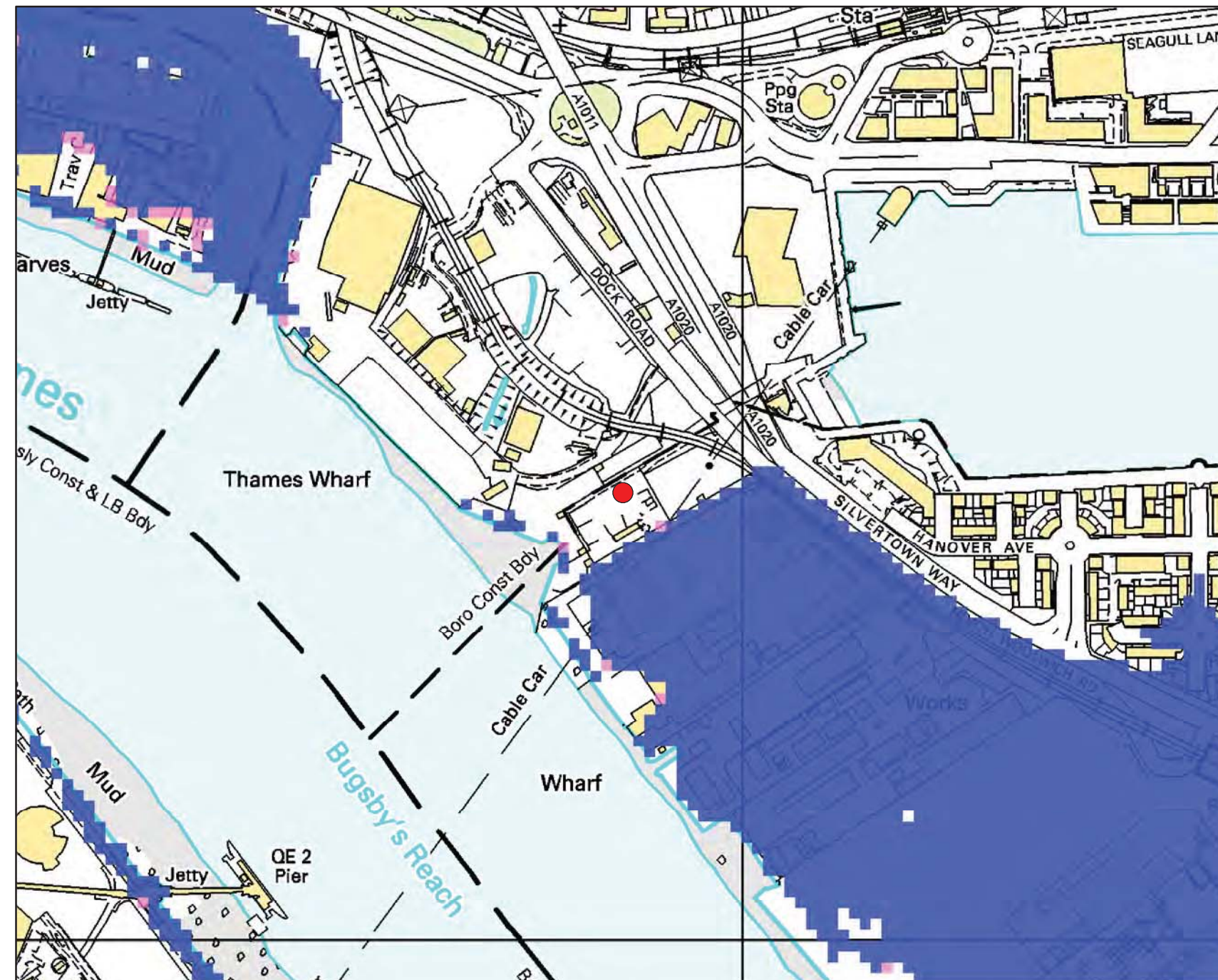
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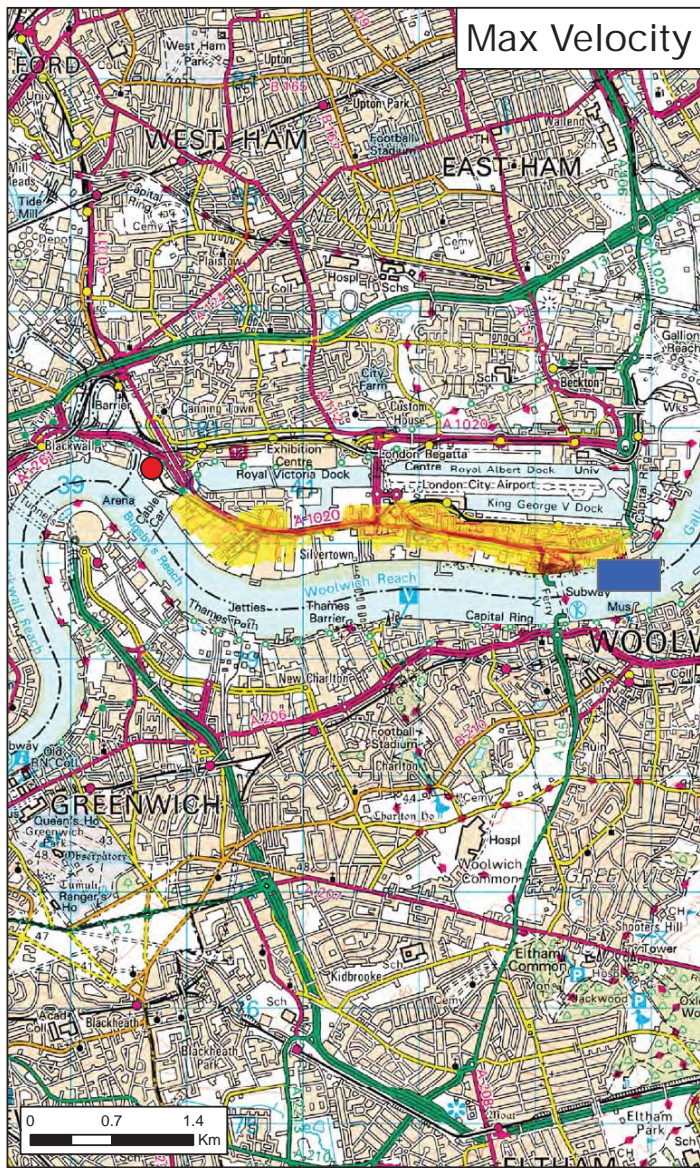
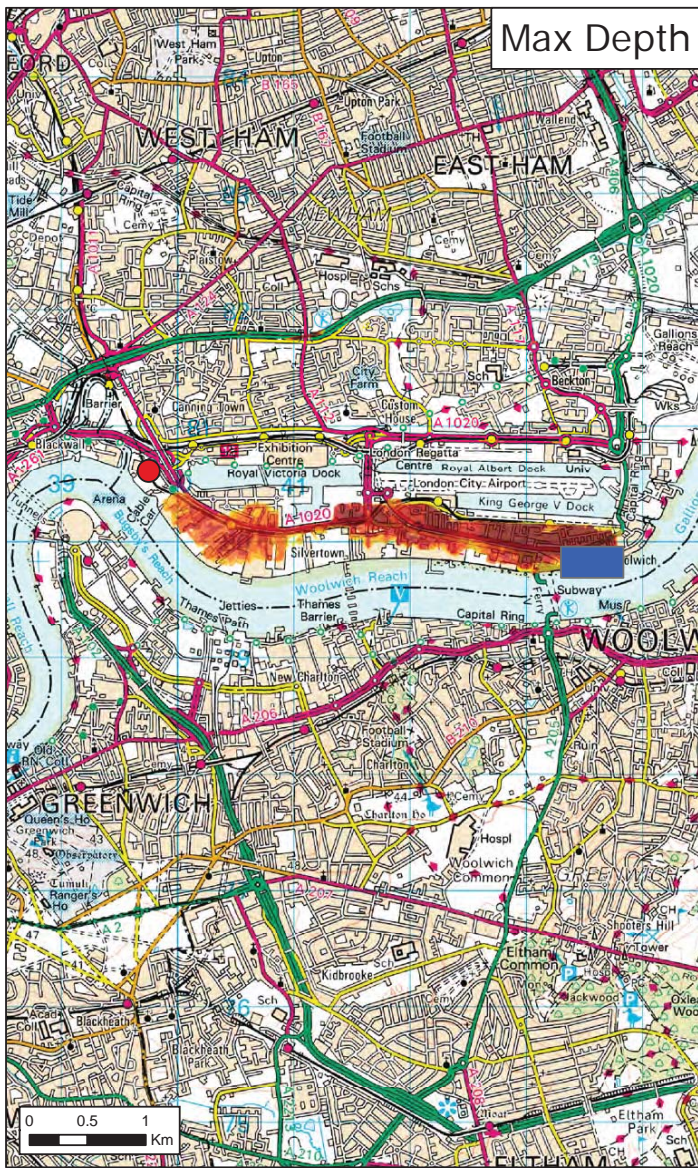
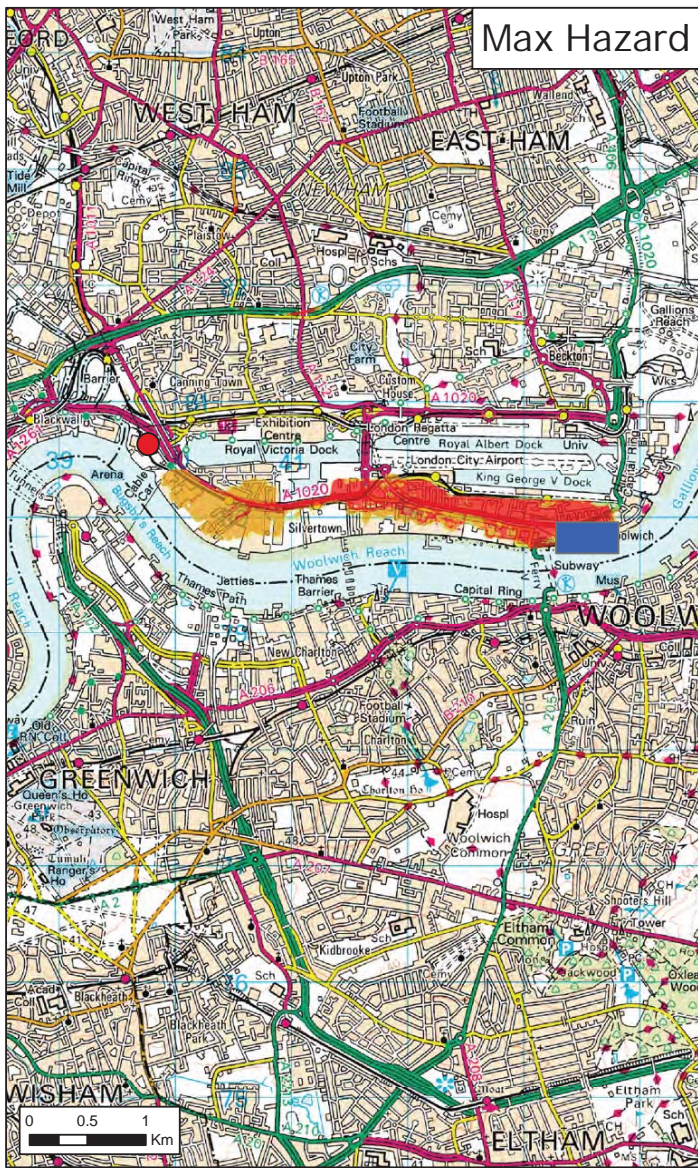
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**Thames Upstream Inundation Modelling**

The enclosed map shows the extent of the 1 in 200 & 1 in 1000 return period results for the Tidal Thames Upstream Inundation modelling study completed by Halcrow in 2011.

It was modelled based on the depths, velocity & water surface levels as per the results of the Flood Zones modelling done by Halcrow in 2006. However the scenario is that the Thames Barrier is operational but all linear defences have been removed. It uses the joint probability levels calculated in 2008 and only provides data for embayments upstream of the Thames Barrier.





● Site Location		■ Modelled Breach Location	
<b>Max Hazard</b>		<b>Max Depth (m)</b>	
	Less than 0.75 (Low Hazard)		0 - 0.25
	Between 0.75 and 1.25 (Danger for Some)		0.25 - 1.00
	Between 1.25 and 2.00 (Danger for Most)		1.00 - 1.50
	Greater than 2.00 (Danger for All)		1.50 - 2.00
			> 2.00
<b>Max Velocity (m/s)</b>			
	0 - 0.3		0.3 - 1.0
	0.3 - 1.0		1.0 - 1.5
	1.0 - 1.5		1.5 - 2.5
	1.5 - 2.5		> 2.5
<b>Date Printed</b>	13/02/2015	<b>Scenario year</b>	2005
		<b>Scenario Annual Chance</b>	0.5% (1 in 200)

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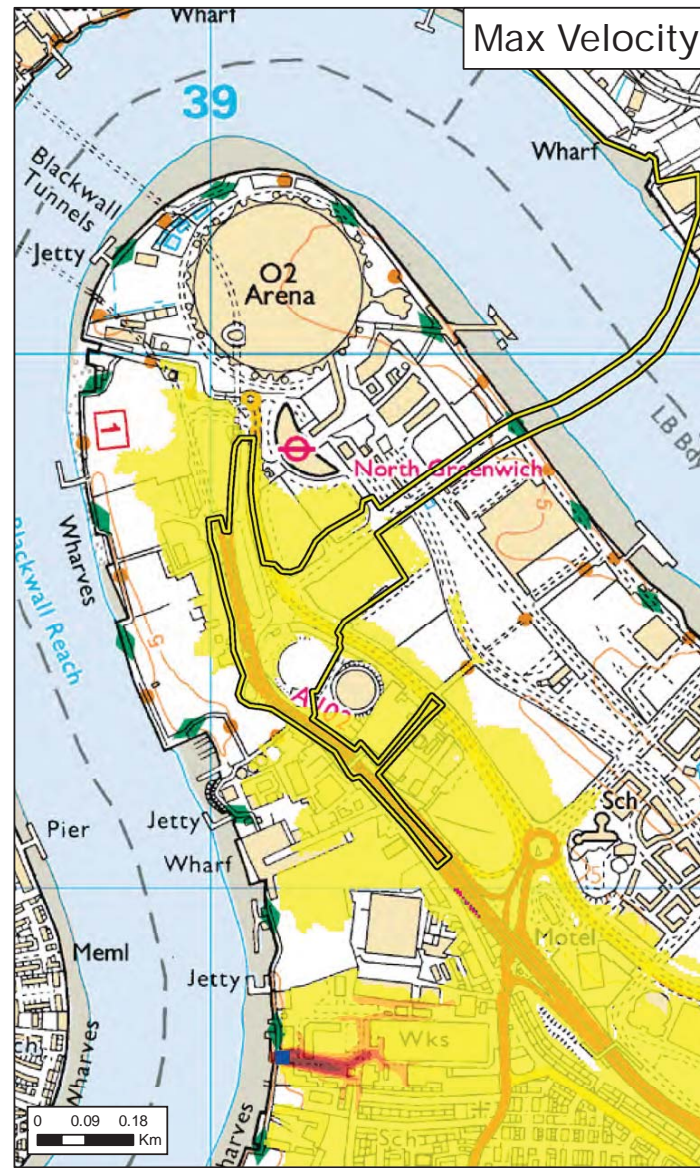
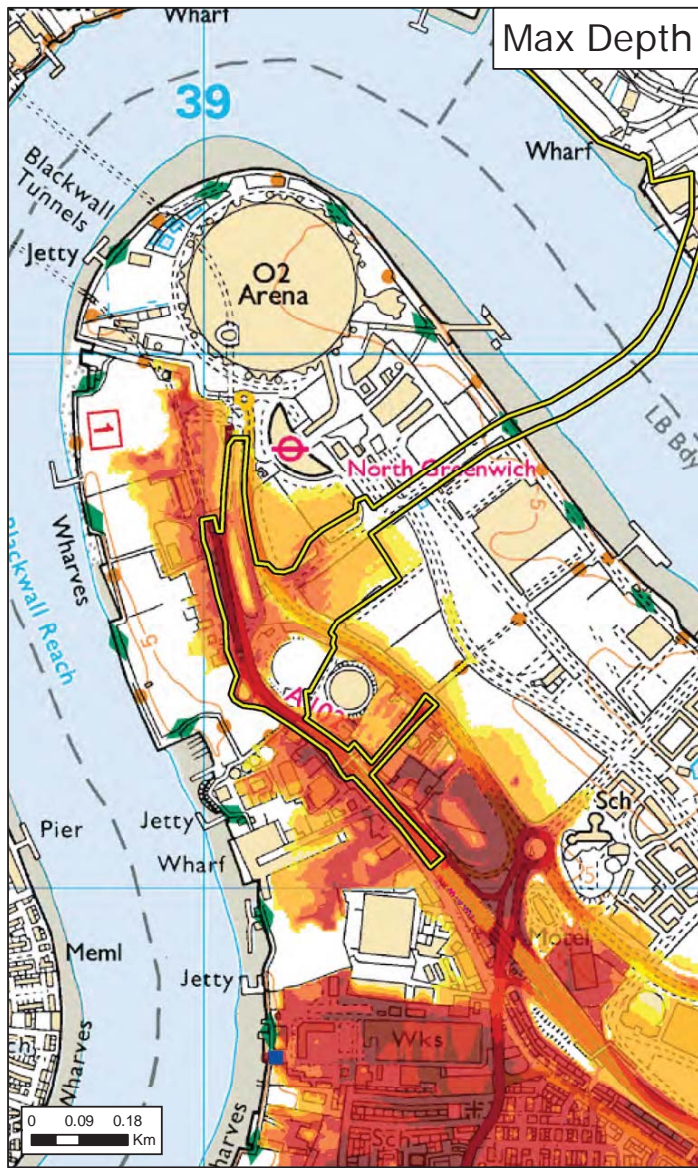
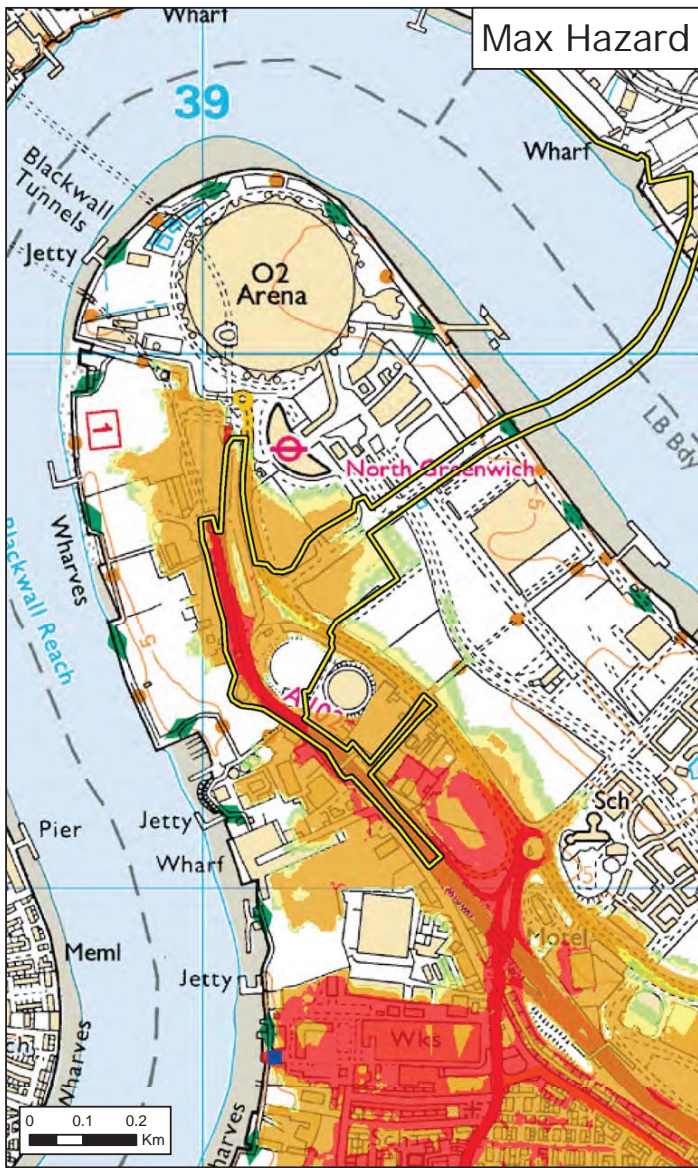
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<b>Max Hazard</b>			
Less than 0.75 (Low Hazard)			
Between 0.75 and 1.25 (Danger for Some)			
Between 1.25 and 2.00 (Danger for Most)			
Greater than 2.00 (Danger for All)			
<b>Max Depth (m)</b>			
0 - 0.25			
0.25 - 1.00			
1.00 - 1.50			
1.50 - 2.00			
> 2.00			
<b>Max Velocity (m/s)</b>			
0 - 0.3			
0.3 - 1.0			
1.0 - 1.5			
1.5 - 2.5			
> 2.5			
Date Printed	11/02/2015	Scenario year	2005
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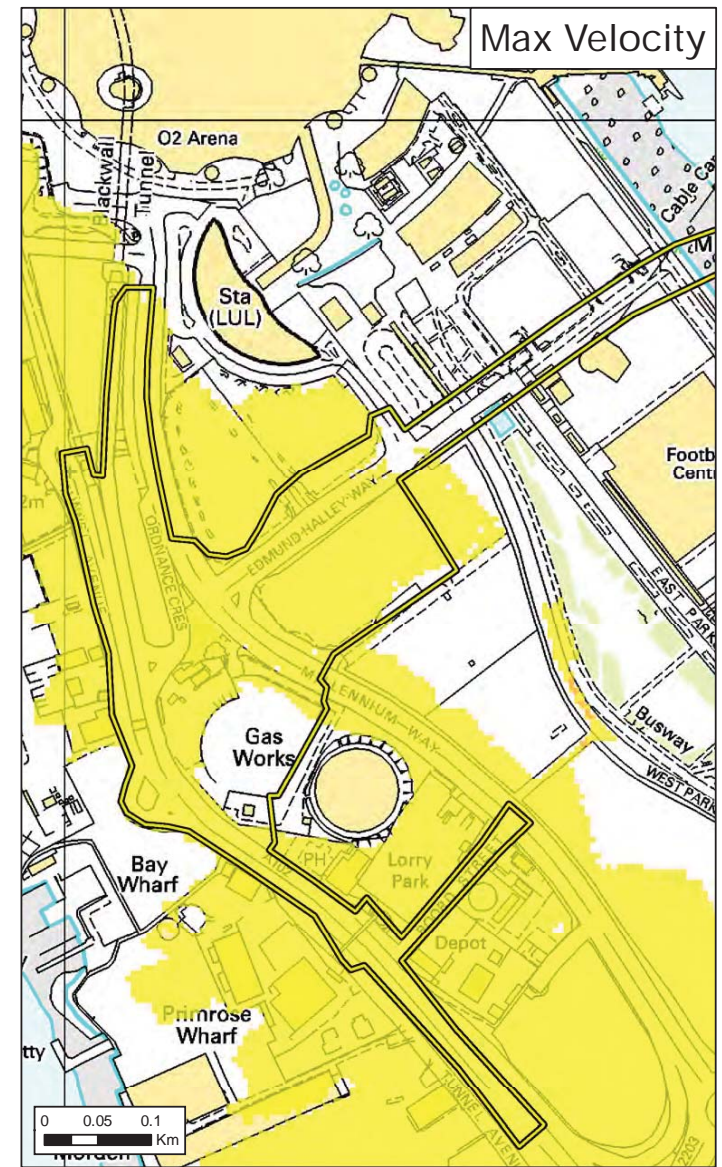
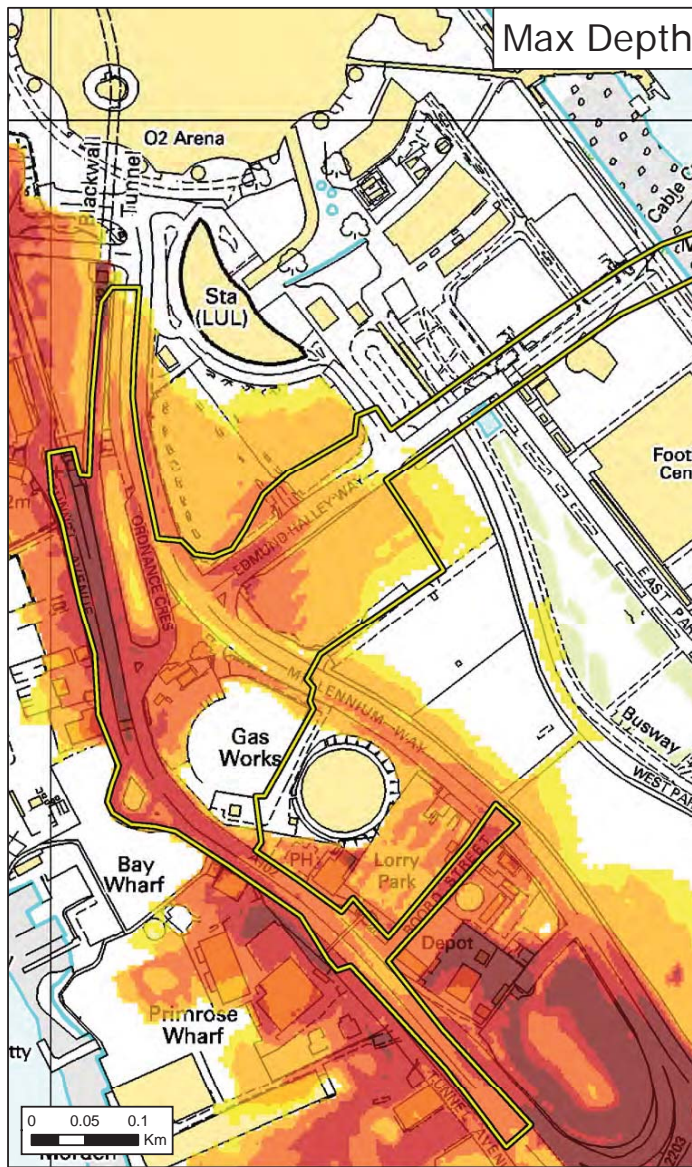
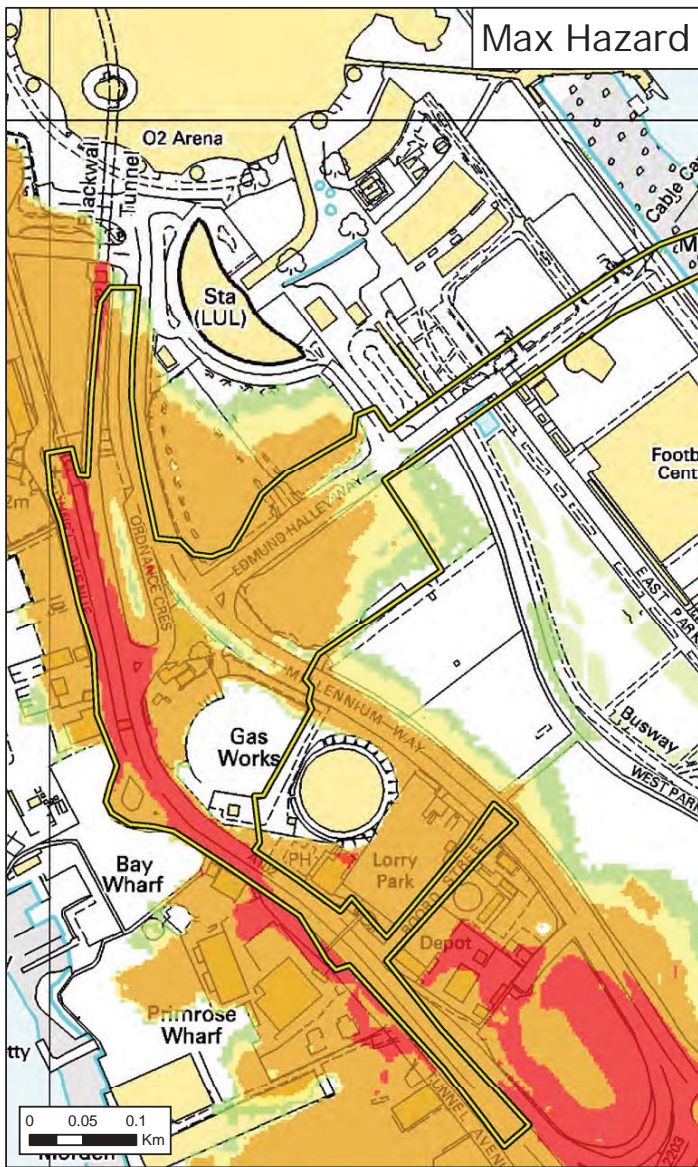
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Thames Tidal Breach Hazard Mapping  
Breach: Grn02

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<b>Max Hazard</b>			
Less than 0.75 (Low Hazard)			
Between 0.75 and 1.25 (Danger for Some)			
Between 1.25 and 2.00 (Danger for Most)			
Greater than 2.00 (Danger for All)			
<b>Max Depth (m)</b>			
0 - 0.25			
0.25 - 1.00			
1.00 - 1.50			
1.50 - 2.00			
> 2.00			
<b>Max Velocity (m/s)</b>			
0 - 0.3			
0.3 - 1.0			
1.0 - 1.5			
1.5 - 2.5			
> 2.5			
Date Printed	11/02/2015	Scenario year	2005
		Scenario Annual Chance	0.5% (1 in 200)

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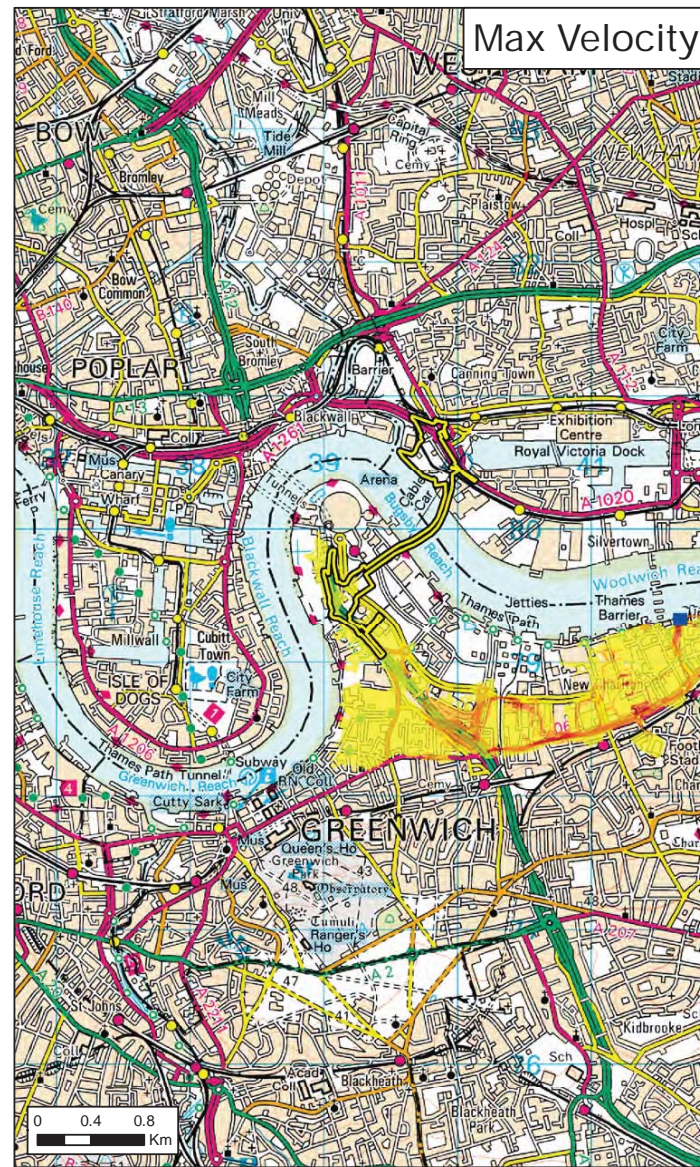
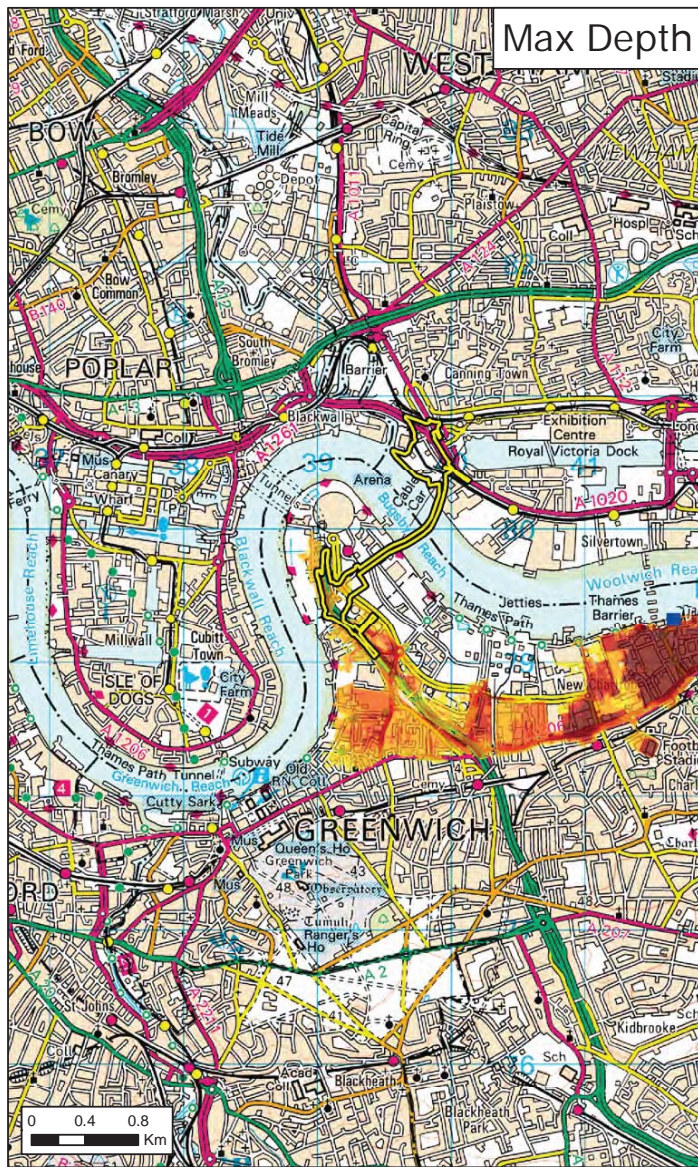
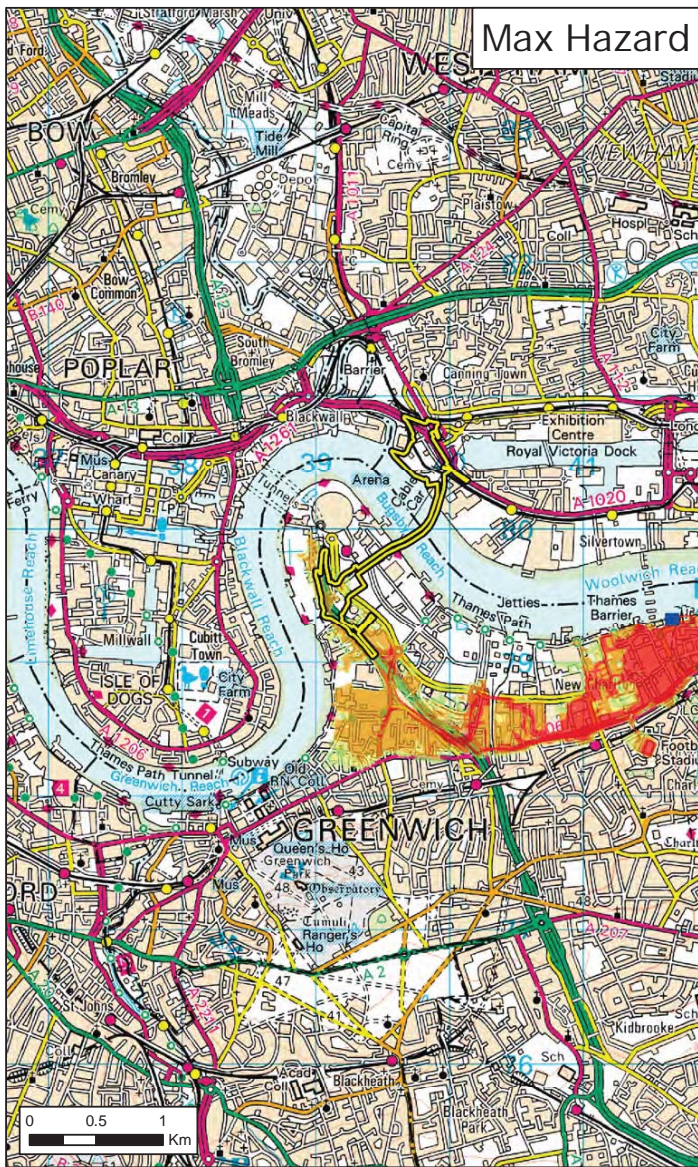
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Less than 0.75 (Low Hazard)			
Between 0.75 and 1.25 (Danger for Some)			
Between 1.25 and 2.00 (Danger for Most)			
Greater than 2.00 (Danger for All)			
<b>Max Depth (m)</b>			
0 - 0.25			
0.25 - 1.00			
1.00 - 1.50			
1.50 - 2.00			
> 2.00			
<b>Max Velocity (m/s)</b>			
0 - 0.3			
0.3 - 1.0			
1.0 - 1.5			
1.5 - 2.5			
> 2.5			
Date Printed	11/02/2015	Scenario year	2005
		Scenario Annual Chance	0.5% (1 in 200)

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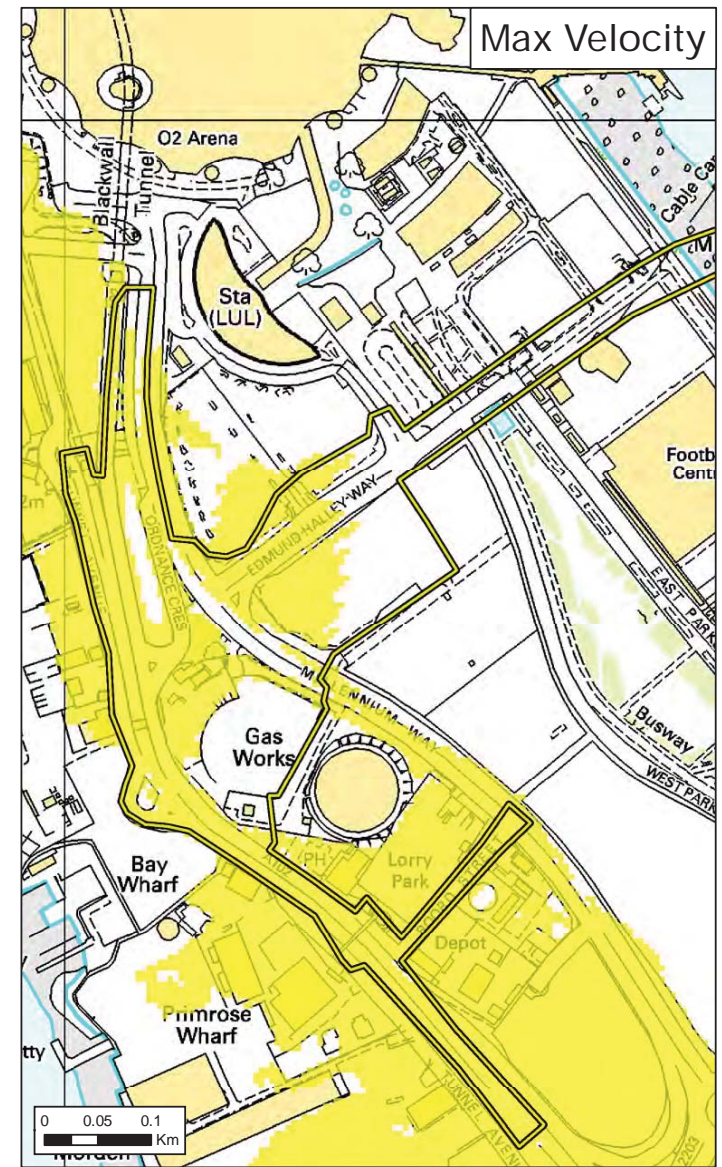
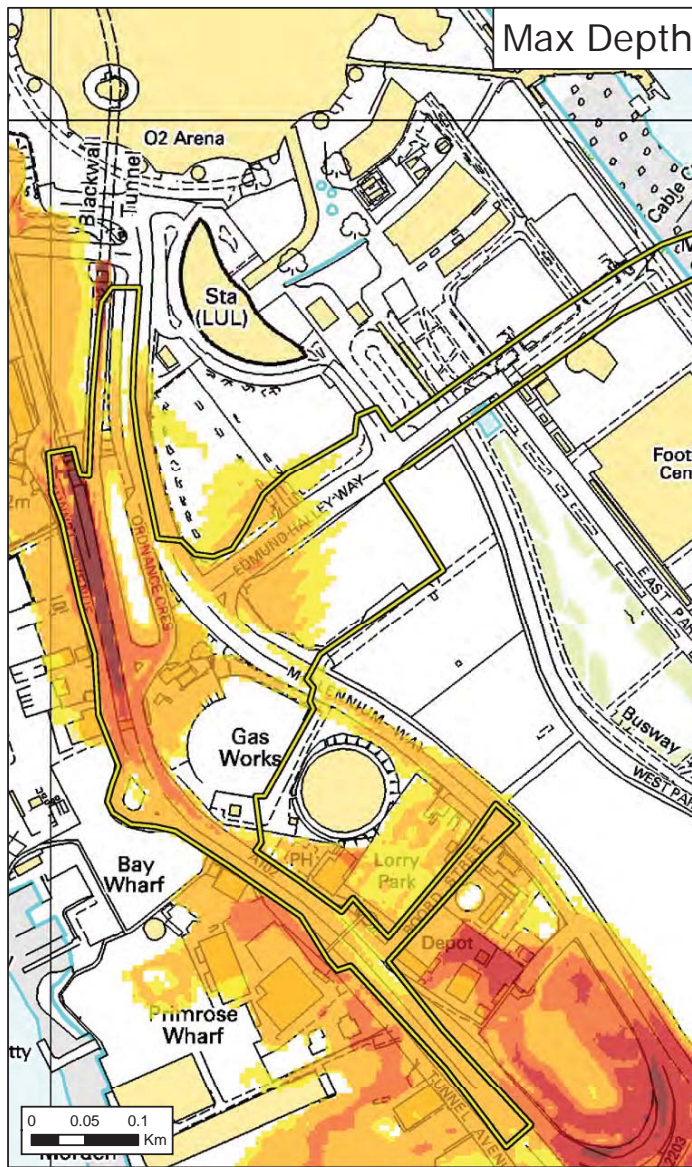
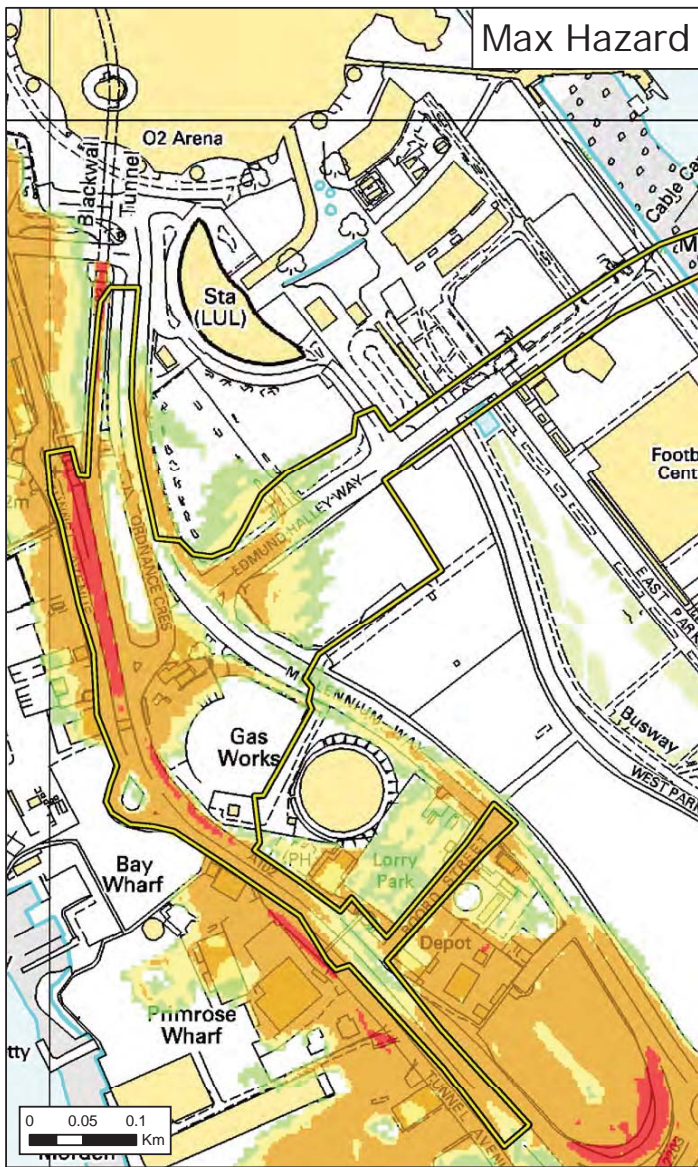
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<b>Max Hazard</b>			
Less than 0.75 (Low Hazard)			
Between 0.75 and 1.25 (Danger for Some)			
Between 1.25 and 2.00 (Danger for Most)			
Greater than 2.00 (Danger for All)			
<b>Max Depth (m)</b>			
0 - 0.25			
0.25 - 1.00			
1.00 - 1.50			
1.50 - 2.00			
> 2.00			
<b>Max Velocity (m/s)</b>			
0 - 0.3			
0.3 - 1.0			
1.0 - 1.5			
1.5 - 2.5			
> 2.5			
Date Printed	11/02/2015	Scenario year	2005
		Scenario Annual Chance	0.5% (1 in 200)

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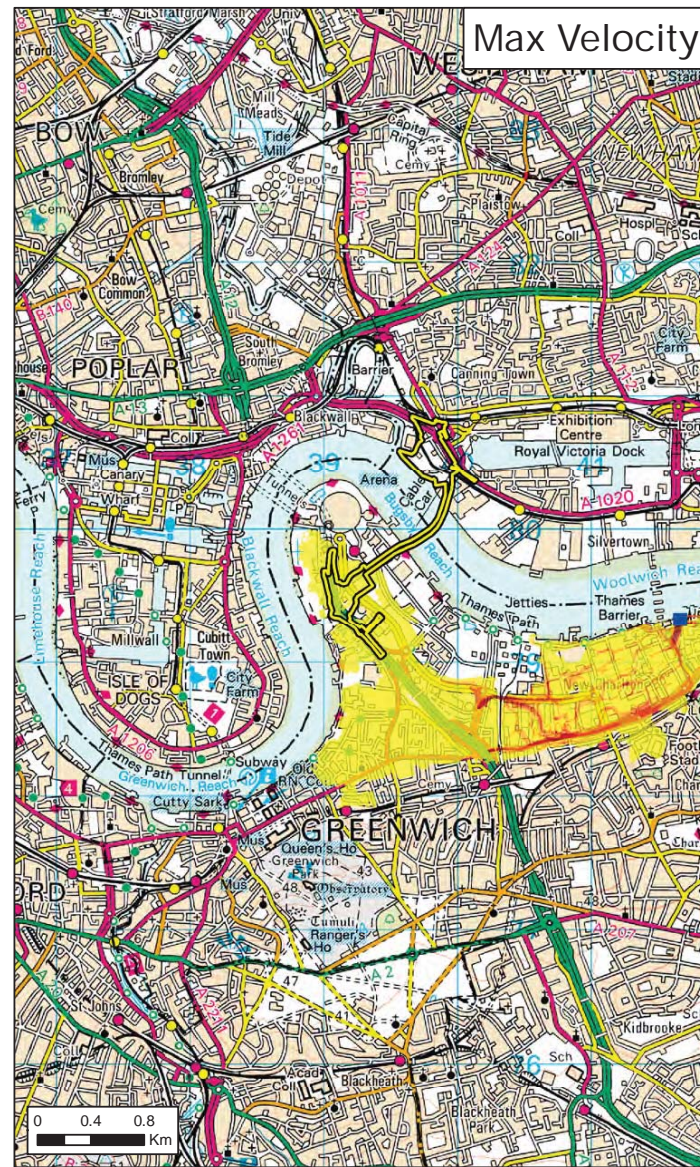
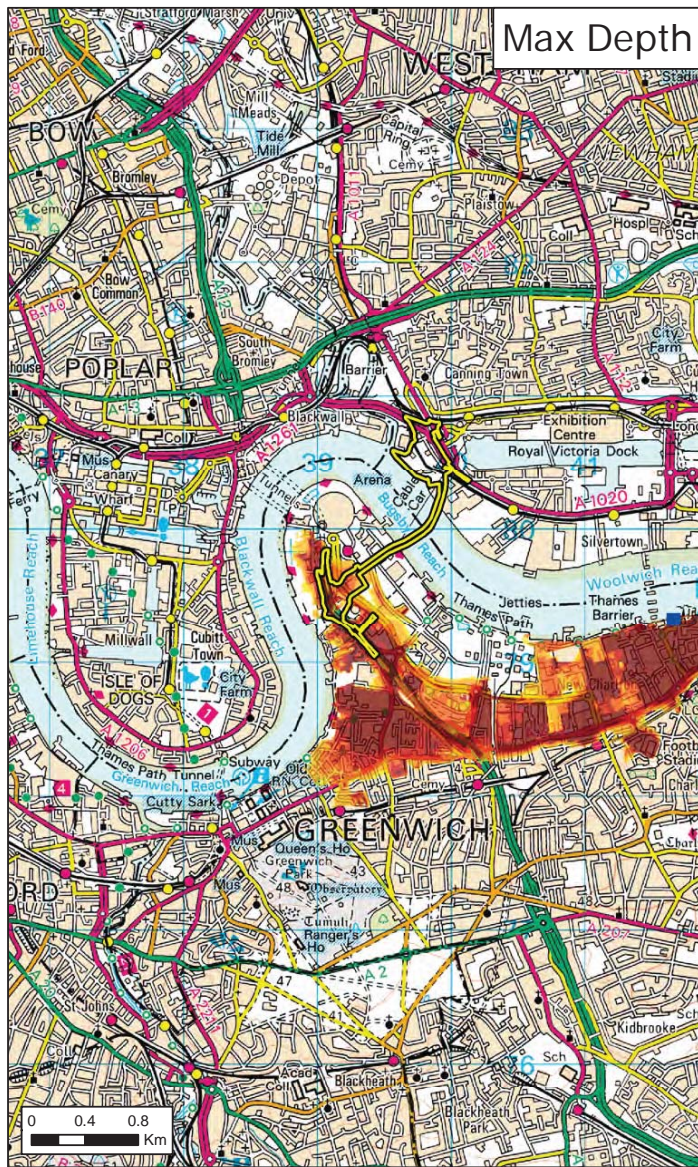
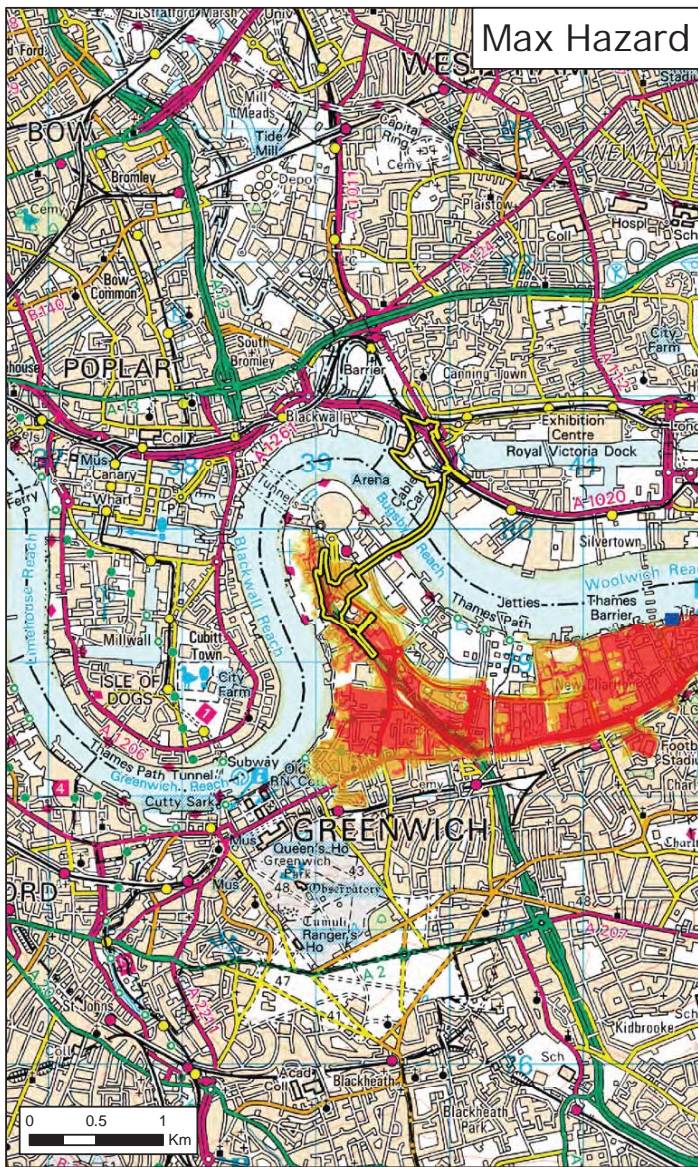
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	Between 1.25 and 2.00 (Danger for Most)		
	Greater than 2.00 (Danger for All)		
<b>Max Depth (m)</b>			
	0 - 0.25		
	0.25 - 1.00		
	1.00 - 1.50		
	1.50 - 2.00		
	> 2.00		
<b>Max Velocity (m/s)</b>			
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	0.3 - 1.0		
	1.0 - 1.5		
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Date Printed	11/02/2015	Scenario year	2107
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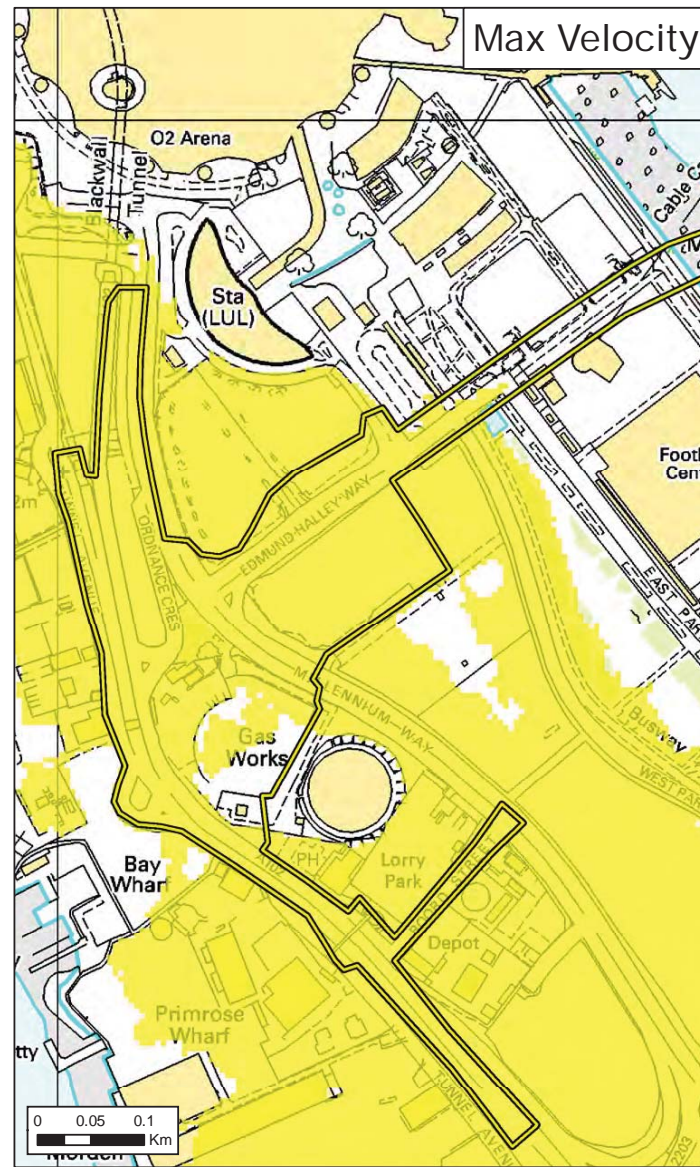
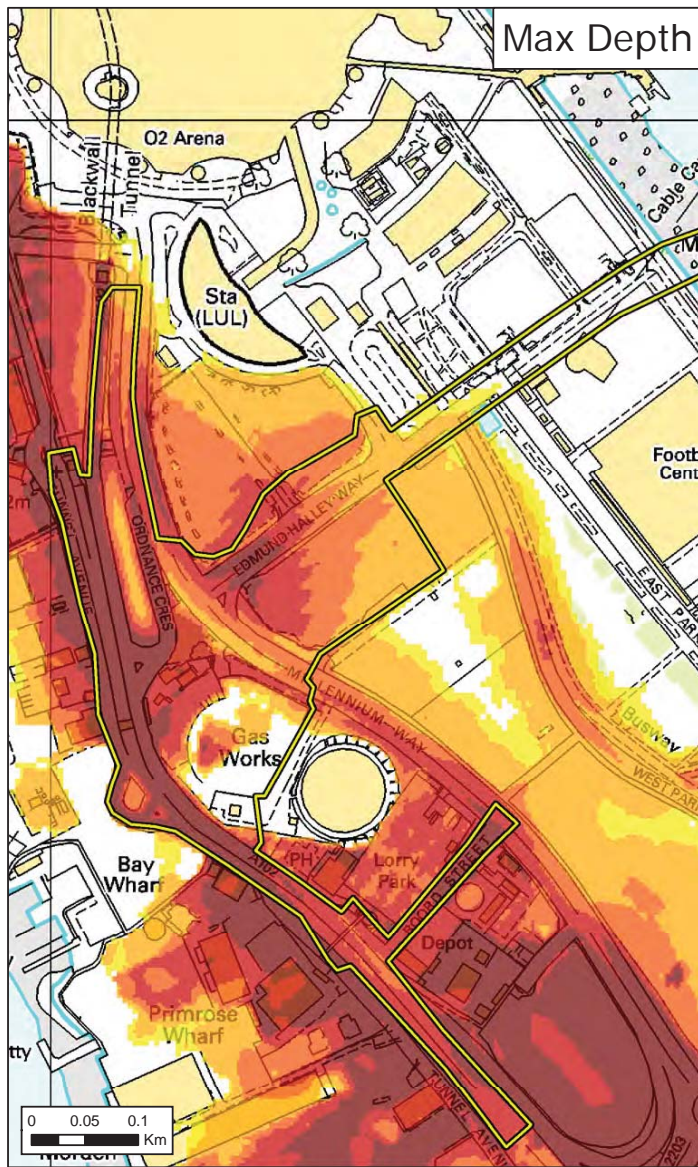
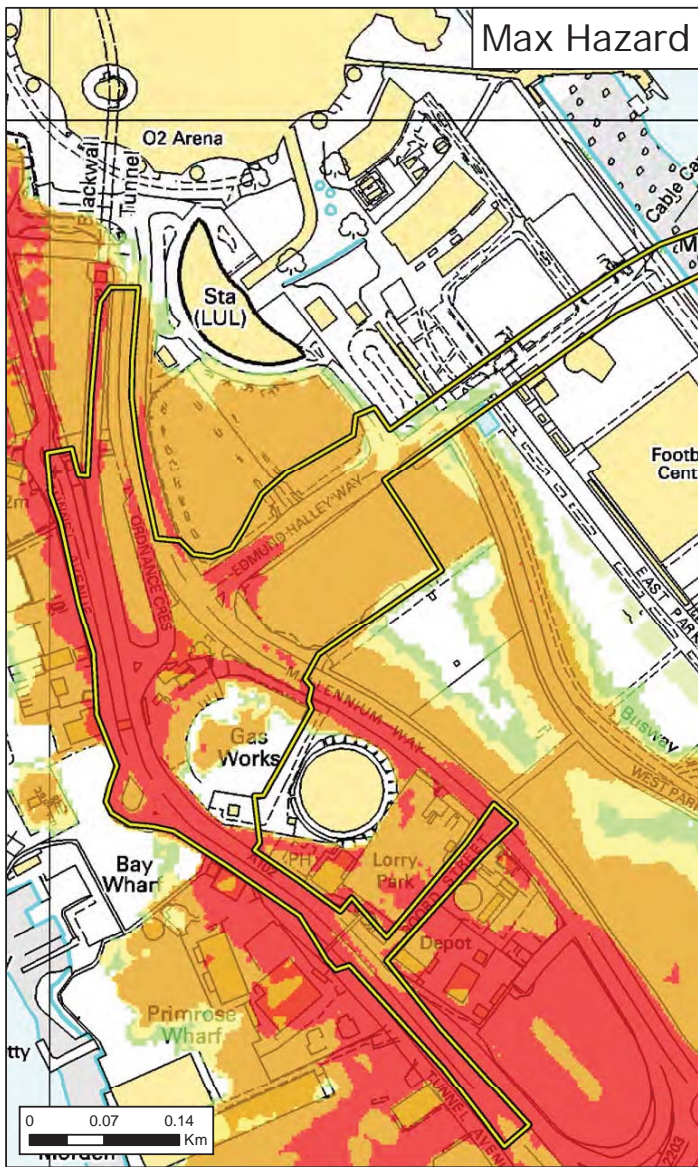
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Legend		Site Location Polygon	Modelled Breach Location
<b>Max Hazard</b>		[Yellow outline]	[Blue outline]
[Light Green]	Less than 0.75 (Low Hazard)		
[Yellow]	Between 0.75 and 1.25 (Danger for Some)		
[Orange]	Between 1.25 and 2.00 (Danger for Most)		
[Red]	Greater than 2.00 (Danger for All)		
<b>Max Depth (m)</b>			
[Light Yellow]	0 - 0.25		
[Yellow-Orange]	0.25 - 1.00		
[Orange-Red]	1.00 - 1.50		
[Red]	1.50 - 2.00		
[Dark Red]	> 2.00		
<b>Max Velocity (m/s)</b>			
[Light Yellow]	0 - 0.3		
[Yellow-Orange]	0.3 - 1.0		
[Orange-Red]	1.0 - 1.5		
[Red]	1.5 - 2.5		
[Dark Red]	> 2.5		
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