

APPENDIX 25

UNDERGROUNDING

Undergrounding of low voltage lines

Low voltage (LV) lines will be undergrounded in a number of locations, where this will provide benefit to local landscape character and visual amenity.

The areas where this work would be undertaken comprise the following:

- the Logie Kirk area, where the removal of overhead line wires would improve the appearance and setting of the church;
- at Powis House, extending north and south of the works required for line construction to benefit the visual amenity of residents in this area, as well as the management of the avenue of trees and the working of fields;
- at Manorneuk, where existing 33kV and LV lines will be undergrounded as an extension of that required for construction purposes, to benefit the visual amenity of the property here, and to enable some additional tree planting to be undertaken;
- at Bolfornought, as an extension of construction operations, in order to benefit the visual amenity of the properties in this area;
- in the Burnbank – Burnhead area, as a lengthy extension of works required for line construction, again to assist in enabling planting to be carried out in this area thereby enhancing local landscape character and visual amenity;
- north of Carbrook Mains and south of Plean, where the number of distribution lines' wood poles crossing the agricultural land creates visual clutter and interferes with the working of fields; and
- to the south of the Plean Industrial Estate, where existing wood (H) poles are prominent due to their siting on a ridge.

Important Reference Documents

Supporting reference documents that provide guidance for activities that may be involved with undergrounding include:

- GEMP 1 – General Environmental Protection Measures
- GEMP 3 – Tower removal
- GEMP 8 – Working in or near watercourses
- GEMP 10 – Soil storage and removal
- GEMP 11 – Unexpected contaminated land
- GEMP 17 – Control and removal of invasive plants
- GEMP 19 – Archaeology and cultural heritage
- GEMP 20 – Tree felling