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I have now made the following changes as requested.

Word-count: Removed

Figures: Have renamed section 'Figure legends'

Table title & legend: Title above table and legend below

Figure title: Removed from all figures

Figure cropping: Cropped to fill entire space on paper. I remain uncertain about whether the orientation of figures 2 & 3 these can be changed by you for the final version, since I was unable to upload these in files smaller than A4 size hence had to produce them in 'landscape'.

I hope this satisfies all the formatting changes requested.