# **Landscape Capacity Assessment:**

Sites on the Edge of the Larger Villages of South Oxfordshire:

**Appendix 2 – Site Record Sheets** 

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	BENI – Land adjacent to Littleworth Rd, Benson		
Site character areas:			
Date of site survey:	17.01.14		
Surveyors:	AG, TJ		
Weather/visibility:	Sunny		
LCA:	LCA 4 River Thames Corridor/LCT Flat, Open Farmland		
<ul> <li>distinctively flat, low-lying farmland (below 50)</li> </ul>	netres AOD);		
<ul> <li>large-scale rectilinear field pattern with distinct</li> </ul>	ve network of drainage ditches;		
<ul> <li>weak landscape structure with few trees, low or gappy hedges, open ditches and fences;</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>comparative inaccessibility creates a rural and remote character;</li> </ul>			
open, denuded landscape results in high intervisibility.			
Landscape designations:			

# **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Houses (within conservation area)	Motorists	compatibility of mitigation:
PRoW	Residents	Some existing to build on without interrupting key
Road	Visitors to AONB	views
Site BEN2	Walkers	
Wittenham Clumps / Sinodun Hills within North		
Wessex Downs AONB		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Benson	Busy road	Loss of open views and character
Chilterns AONB	Lots of houses	·
Countryside to north and west Wittenham		
Clumps/Sinodun Hills within North Wessex Downs		
AONB		
<b>Does the site form part of a skyline?</b> No	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual receptors): Countryside setting of Benson Setting of AONB Setting of Conservation Area	
Panoramic views:		
Yes		
Landmark features:		
None on site		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / High	Medium / High	Medium
Visual sensitivity score:	<u> </u>	
Medium / High		
Additional comments:		

# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Ditch	Constant background noise from roads and
	Post and wire fence	airfield
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Overhead cables
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	None	Road
W part of site HSE hazard zones - gas pipes		Service station
Water features:		
Ditch / stream to west		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Arable	Adjacent to southern boundary	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Streamside Willow trees to western boundary	Houses of mixed period including some notable Victorian	
	as well as some modern (listed buildings all contained	
	within centre of village)	
	Views from Littleworth Lane across BEN1	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedging along southern boundary	Agricultural sheds	Western edge
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	N/A	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	Isolate agricultural building	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	N/A	Open
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
None	None known	Simple, rectilinear, regular, large scale, weak
		structure
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
Badgers on site	None known	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features		
Other information				
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:		
Low / medium	Low / medium	Low		
Landscape sensitivity score:				
Medium / Low				
Additional comments:				

# Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

Adjacent settlement:

Benson

Character of the urban edge:

Some garden vegetation but much of urban edge open

Presence in a floodplain:

Yes FP 2&3 5.9ha of W area

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Northern part of site has strong links to countryside to north and west

Character of adjacent village(s):

Central historic core containing listed buildings with part of the Conservation Area along northern edge. Rest of the village consists of modern estates

Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Recreational links with the wider area:

Not known

**VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:** 

None

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	BEN2 – Land N of Sunnyside	
Site character areas:		
Date of site survey:	17.01.14	
Surveyors:	AG, TJ	
Weather/visibility:	Sunny	
LCA:	LCA 4 River Thames Corridor/LCT Flat, Open Farmland	
<ul> <li>distinctively flat, low-lying farmland (below 5</li> </ul>	netres AOD);	
<ul> <li>large-scale rectilinear field pattern with distil</li> </ul>	large-scale rectilinear field pattern with distinctive network of drainage ditches;	
<ul> <li>weak landscape structure with few trees, low</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>weak landscape structure with few trees, low or gappy hedges, open ditches and fences;</li> </ul>	
comparative inaccessibility creates a rural and remote character;		
open, denuded landscape results in high intervisibility.		

Landscape designations:

# **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Houses	Motorists	compatibility of mitigation:
Road	Residents	Good
Wittenham Clumps / Sinodun Hills within North		
Wessex Downs AONB		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Road (A4017)	Quiet road	Loss of long views
Houses	Small number of houses	
Wittenham Clumps		
North Wessex Downs AONB to west		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Setting of Benson	
	Separation of Benson	
Panoramic views:		
Yes		
Landmark features:		
None on site		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / High	Medium / High	Low / Medium
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Close board fencing, mixed, to rear gardens	Constant background noise from roads and
	Post and wire fence	airfield
	Chain link fence	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Tops of Didcot power station chimney and
		cooling towers
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	None	Road
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Arable	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
None	N/A	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerows to north and east boundaries	None	N/A
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	N/A	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	N/A	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Rear gardens with planting	Semi-open
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None known	Simple, rectilinear, regular
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None known	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features		
Other information				
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:		
Low	Low	Low		
Landscape sensitivity score:				
Low				
Additional comments:				

# Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

Adjacent settlement:

Benson

Character of the urban edge:

Some rear garden planting softens parts of the settlement edge. BEN2 & BEN3 separate Benson from Vale Farm / Port Hill Road to north.

Presence in a floodplain:

No

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Strong to south west and west

Character of adjacent village(s):

Central historic core containing listed buildings with part of the Conservation Area along northern edge. Rest of the village consists of modern estates

Historic links with the wider area if known:

None known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None known

Recreational links with the wider area:

None known

**VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:** 

None

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	BEN3 – Land to the E & S of Port Hill Rd	
Site character areas:		
Date of site survey:	17.01.14	
Surveyors:	AG, TJ	
Weather/visibility:	Sunny	
LCA:	LCA 3 The Clay Vale/LCT Undulating Open Vale	
<ul> <li>low-lying, undulating or gently rolling landfor</li> </ul>		
large-scale farmland, mostly under intensive arable cultivation;		
• typically large fields, with rectilinear pattern of field boundaries;		
<ul> <li>weak structure of tightly clipped or gappy hedgerows, with few hedgerow trees;</li> </ul>		
open, denuded and exposed character, with high intervisibility;		
<ul> <li>distinctive elevated and expansive character on higher ground, with dominant sky and long views;</li> </ul>		

# **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Chilterns AONB	Motorists	compatibility of mitigation:
Houses	Pilots	No internal hedge
PRoW	Residents	Some potential without adversely affecting
Road	Visitors to AONBs	character
Wittenham Clumps / Sinodun Hills within North	Walkers on local PRoW	
Wessex Downs AONB		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Chilterns AONB	Lots of houses	Loss of long views and openness
Didcot power station (from western end of site)		,
Wittenham Clumps / Sinodun Hills within North		
Wessex Downs AONB		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
Yes – from lower ground to east	local visual receptors):	
	Setting of Benson	
	Setting of North Wessex Downs AONB	
Panoramic views:		
Yes		
Landmark features:		
None on site		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / High	Medium / High	Medium
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium / High		
Additional comments:		

# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flattish plateau, gently rolling to east	Post and wire fence, close board fence in different styles,	Noisy airfield
	mixed garden boundaries	Some road noise
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors
None	None	None
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	None	Some light from Benson
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Pastoral	N/A	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
None	N/A	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerow to western boundary	None	Adjacent to east
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	N/A	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None		
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Some rear garden vegetation to north and south	Open, exposed
	boundaries	
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
	None known	Irregular, simple, rural
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None known	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information	·	

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low	Low	Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Low		
Additional comments:		

# Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

Adjacent settlement:

Benson

Character of the urban edge:

Harsh - houses. Little vegetation along northern edge of Benson

Presence in a floodplain:

No

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Strong links to north and east

Character of adjacent village(s):

Central historic core containing listed buildings with part of the Conservation Area along northern edge. Rest of the village consists of modern estates

Historic links with the wider area if known:

None known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None known

Recreational links with the wider area:

None known

**VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:** 

None

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	BEN5 – Land N of Black Lands Rd	
Site character areas:		
Date of site survey:	17.01.14	
Surveyors:	AG, TJ	
Weather/visibility:	Sunny	
LCA:	LCA 3 The Clay Vale/LCT Undulating Open Vale	
<ul> <li>low-lying, undulating or gently rolling landfo</li> </ul>	m;	
<ul> <li>large-scale farmland, mostly under intensive</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>typically large fields, with rectilinear pattern</li> </ul>	of field boundaries;	
<ul> <li>weak structure of tightly clipped or gappy h</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>weak structure of tightly clipped or gappy hedgerows, with few hedgerow trees;</li> </ul>	
•	• open, denuded and exposed character, with high intervisibility;	
<ul> <li>distinctive elevated and expansive character on higher ground, with dominant sky and long views;</li> </ul>		

predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads (including M40/A40), overhead power lines and built development

Landscape designations:

# **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Houses	Motorists	compatibility of mitigation:
Local roads (glimpses only)	Residents	Limited existing landscape features
PRoW	Walkers	
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Chilterns AONB	Busy road	Loss of openness and long views
Countryside to north east	Local PRoW	
North Wessex Downs AONB	Most houses on eastern edge of Benson	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
Yes – houses to south at lower elevation	local visual receptors):	
	Countryside setting of and approach to Benson	
Panoramic views:		
Yes		
Landmark features:		
None on site		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / High	Medium	Medium
Visual sensitivity score:	-	
Medium		
Additional comments:		

# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat – rolling down to south	Post and wire fences to rear gardens	Airfield
		Road
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors
None	None	None
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	None	Benson
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Grazing	N/A	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Leylandii on part of southern boundary	N/A	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerow along road edge, no trees	None	
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None		·
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None		
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None		
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Some rear garden planting softens edge of settlement	Open and exposed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
None	None known	Simple, regular, medium size
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	-
None	None known	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		<b>'</b>

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low	Low	Medium / Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Low		
Additional comments:		

### Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

Adjacent settlement:

Benson

Character of the urban edge:

Mixed, some vegetation

Presence in a floodplain:

No

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Some connection with countryside to east

Character of adjacent village(s):

Central historic core containing listed buildings with part of the Conservation Area along northern edge. Rest of the village consists of modern estates

Historic links with the wider area if known:

None known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None known

Recreational links with the wider area:

None known

**VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:** 

None

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

BEN6 – Land south of Braze Lane
No subdivision
21/2/14
BK
Low cloud

#### LCA:

### LCA 3 The Clay Vale/LCT Undulating Open Vale

- low-lying, undulating or gently rolling landform;
- large-scale farmland, mostly under intensive arable cultivation;
- typically large fields, with rectilinear pattern of field boundaries;
- weak structure of tightly clipped or gappy hedgerows, with few hedgerow trees;
- open, denuded and exposed character, with high intervisibility;
- distinctive elevated and expansive character on higher ground, with dominant sky and long views; predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads (including M40/A40), overhead power lines and built development

### Landscape designations:

None

# **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Braze Lane and The Sands	Road users	compatibility of mitigation:
BEN 5	A few houses	Additional hedgerows and tree planting along
Adjacent housing		boundaries
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Settlement edge	Local users on Braze Lane	Enhancement of settlement edge
Hills within North Wessex Downs and Chilterns	The Sands is a busy road	Loss of openness on edge of village
AONB at a distance	·	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Outer edge of the village with a mostly rural character	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Medium
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Internal post and rail fences around paddocks	Adjacent airfield
		Local traffic
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	No	Small pylon
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity – Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	No	Village lighting to the west but mainly dark
		landscape
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Arable and pasture	N/A	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
None	N/A	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerows to both roads	Sheds	No
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	N/a	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	N/A	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Edge of part of Benson which is characterised by small	
	estates east of the historic core	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	A few small to medium sized fairly open rear gardens along	Open
	the southern boundary	
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
No	Not known	Simple regular and medium sized
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features		
Other information				
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low	Low	Medium		
Landscape sensitivity score:				
Medium / Low				
Additional comments:				

# Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

Adjacent settlement:

Benson

Character of the urban edge:

Small estates with small gardens

Presence in a floodplain:

No

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Part of countryside setting to the east of Benson

Shares characteristics of the wider landscape to the east

Character of adjacent village(s):

Central historic core containing listed buildings with part of the Conservation Area along northern edge. Rest of the village consists of modern estates

Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None known

Recreational links with the wider area:

No

**VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:** 

N/A

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	BEN7 – Land adjacent to St Helen's Avenue
Site character areas:	No sub-divisions
Date of site survey:	17.01.14
Surveyors:	AG, TJ
Weather/visibility:	Sunny
LCA:	LCA 4 River Thames Corridor/LCT Flat, Semi-enclosed Farmland
<ul> <li>stronger landscape structure and a semi-end</li> </ul>	closed character around Burcot and to the north of Wittenham Clumps;
<ul> <li>predominantly rural character but with som</li> </ul>	e intrusion of built form around Burcot;
<ul> <li>semi-enclosed character with moderate to l</li> </ul>	ow intervisibility;
Flat floodplain pasture	
Landscape designations:	

# **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
PROW	Walkers	compatibility of mitigation:
Airfield	Residents	Good – some existing to build upon
BEN8	Airfield visitors and staff	
Houses		
Distant views from Chilterns AONB		
Glimpsed views from A4074		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Distant views towards Chilterns AONB	Busy airfield	Some loss of long views to east
Benson church tower (winter)	Few houses	Possible loss of church tower views
A4074 glimpsed	Busy road	Loss of open character of eastern side of site
	Local PROW	·
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Local open space / rural setting to Benson	
Panoramic views:		
Yes – to east		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Medium / Low
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Post and wire fence	Noisy road and airfield
	Post and rail fence	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Airfield activity and large-scale buildings
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	None	Vehicle lights on roads, lights of Benson, possible lighting at the airfield
Water features:		
Ditch		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Horse grazing	Benson to north, Preston Crowmarsh to south (no visual links)	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Mature oak in south part of site, scattered small	None	
hawthorns along internal boundary		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerow to northern and southern boundaries	Stables in north end of site	Yes
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	No
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	No
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	None	Semi-enclosed – open only on eastern edge
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
None	None	Small, irregular, simple
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: None		

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features		
Other information				
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:		
Low / Medium	Low	Low		
Landscape sensitivity score:				
Low				
Additional comments:				

# Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

Adjacent settlement:

Benson to north, Preston Crowmarsh to west

Character of the urban edge:

Well-vegetated southern edge of Benson, Preston Crowmarsh not visible to south, separated by A4074

Presence in a floodplain:

No

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Some link across BEN8 to airfield and countryside beyond

Character of adjacent village(s):

Central historic core containing listed buildings with part of the Conservation Area along northern edge. Rest of the village consists of modern estates

Historic links with the wider area if known:

None

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None

Recreational links with the wider area:

None

**VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:** 

None

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	BEN8 – Land adjacent to Benson Airfield		
Site character areas:	No sub-divisions		
Date of site survey:	17.01.14 AG, TJ		
Surveyors:			
Weather/visibility:	Sunny		
LCA:	LCA 4 River Thames Corridor/LCT Flat, Semi-enclosed Farmland		
<ul> <li>stronger landscape structure and a semi-er</li> </ul>	closed character around Burcot and to the north of Wittenham Clumps;		
<ul> <li>predominantly rural character but with sor</li> </ul>	ne intrusion of built form around Burcot;		
<ul> <li>semi-enclosed character with moderate to</li> </ul>	low intervisibility;		
Flat floodplain pasture			
Landscape designations:			
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# **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
PROW	Walkers	compatibility of mitigation:
Airfield	Residents	Some existing to build upon
BEN8	Airfield visitors and staff	
Houses		
Distant views from Chilterns AONB		
Glimpsed views from A4074		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Distant views towards Chilterns AONB	Busy airfield	Some loss of long views to east
Benson church tower (winter)	Few houses	Possible loss of church tower views
A4074 glimpsed	Busy road	Loss of open character
<b>5</b> .	Local PROW	·
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Local open space / rural setting to Benson	
Panoramic views:		
Yes – to east		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Medium / Low
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Post and wire fence	Noisy road and airfield
	Post and rail fence	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors
None	None	Airfield activity and large-scale buildings
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2 / 3	None	Vehicle lights on roads, lights of Benson, possible lighting at the airfield
Water features:		
Ditch		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Horse grazing	Benson to north, Preston Crowmarsh to south (no visual	
	links)	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Mature oak in south part of site	None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerow to northern and southern boundaries	None	Yes
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	No
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	No
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	None	Open on eastern edge
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None	Small, irregular, simple
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features				
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:				
Low / Medium	Low	Low				
Landscape sensitivity score:						
Low						
Additional comments:						

# Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

Adjacent settlement:

Benson to north, Preston Crowmarsh to west

Character of the urban edge:

Well-vegetated southern edge of Benson, Preston Crowmarsh not visible to south, separated by A4074. Site has only small connection with settlement edge

Presence in a floodplain:

No

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Site forms part of the flat, open landscape of the airfield

Character of adjacent village(s):

Central historic core containing listed buildings with part of the Conservation Area along northern edge. Rest of the village consists of modern estates

Historic links with the wider area if known:

None

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None

Recreational links with the wider area:

None

**VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:** 

None

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CHII – Crowell End Farm
Site character areas:	No subdivision
Date of site survey:	23/1/14
Surveyors:	ВК
Weather/visibility:	Rain/low cloud

### LCA:

## LCA 5 Eastern Vale Fringes/LCT Open rolling Downs

- distinctively smooth rounded landform of low chalk or greensand hills;
- dominance of intensive arable cultivation but some areas of permanent pasture or grassland;
- large-scale field pattern contained within a comparatively intact structure of hedges, with hedgerow trees and frequent linear belts or stands of planted woodland;
- distinctively 'grey' and flinty soils;
- rural character with few detracting influences, although main roads create some localised intrusion;
- semi-enclosed landscape with moderate intervisibility

## Landscape designations:

Setting of Chilterns AONB

## **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Footpath to west	Walkers and cyclists	compatibility of mitigation:
Approach into Chinnor from west	Road users	Enhance hedgerows
Rear of local residential property	Local residents	New woodland planting
Village of Crowell and footpath to north		New landscape edge to Chinnor and further
Glimpses from Oakley Hill		mitigation of Cement works site
Road network and footpaths north of Kingston Blount		
and west of Chinnor		
Road leading north from Kinston Blount		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Chiltern escarpment	Well used roads	Loss of open views to the Chilterns
Crowell village	Well used paths	
Edge of Chinnor		
Remains of quarry landscape		
Wider landscape		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Open landscape at foot of the Chilterns	
	Open setting to Chinnor	
Panoramic views:		
Over flat landscape to the north		
Over wide stretch of Chiltern escarpment		
Landmark features:		
None on site		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / High	Medium / High	Medium / High
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium / High		
Additional comments:		

## LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Rear garden fences	Local traffic noise
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Small enclosed field is part of pattern of pasture fields	Small pylons
	forming historic setting to Oakley Conservation Area	Views of old quarry
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	No	Village lighting
Site within Minerals Consultation Area		
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Arable with small area of pasture next to Chinnor	Oakley	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
None	Not described in CA appraisal	
	Tree cover and rural pasture setting	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerows of varying condition and maturity on	Barns	Adjacent path
boundaries to west and south. Part open boundary to		
east (site 21)		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	Possible	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	N/A	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	Small hamlet of Oakley merged with Chinnor	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Long rear gardens with trees along north edge	Open landscape
		Enclosed area of pasture
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	Not known	Large scale simple landscape in the main with
Proposed wildlife area to the east on former quarry		small scale more varied pasture close to
• •		settlement
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / low	Medium	Medium
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Landscape sensitivity score.		
Medium		

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

Adjacent settlement:

Chinnor

Character of the urban edge:

Housing softened by gardens and tree cover

Gateway to Chinnor from the west

Presence in a floodplain:

Nο

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Part of the open arable flat landscape extending along the foot of the Chilterns and across north of Kingston Bount

Character of adjacent village(s):

Series of small modern estates around old central core at Oakley Conservation Area and Chinnor Conservation Area

Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Recreational links with the wider area:

Adjacent path network into the Chilterns

**VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:** 

N/A

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CHI 7 – Land at Mill Lane
Site character areas:	No sub-division
Date of site survey:	23/1/14
Surveyors:	ВК
Weather/visibility:	Cloud / sun
LCA:	LCA 3 The Clay Vale/LCT Undulating Semi-Enclosed Vale

- low-lying, undulating or gently rolling landform;
- large-scale farmland, mostly under intensive arable cultivation;
- typically large fields, with rectilinear pattern of field boundaries;
- distinctive elevated and expansive character on higher ground, with dominant sky and long views;
- predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads (including M40/A40), overhead power lines and built development
- strong structure of hedgerows and trees which provide clearer definition of field pattern;
- predominantly intensive arable land use but some pockets of permanent pasture occur, particularly around settlements and in the more strongly undulating areas;
- predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads (including M40/A40), overhead power lines and built development;
- moderate intervisibility

Landscape designations:

None

# **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Some adjacent houses through hedgerows	Walkers	compatibility of mitigation:
Adjacent footpath	School	Retain boundary vegetation
Potential views from school grounds (not visited)	Residents	Landscape buffer to western boundary to screen
		views from footpath
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Tree boundary	Local community use of Mill Lane area and footpath	Loss of rural views from footpath and school
Some houses		
Chiltern hills		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Open field beyond the main built up area	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium / Low	Medium
Visual sensitivity score:	·	
Medium		
Additional comments:		

# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Slightly domed	None	Quiet area
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
No	Not known	Pylons to the north
		Views of housing
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	No	Village lighting
Water features:		
No		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Pasture	N/A	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt along boundary with school	N/A	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Mature dense hedgerows along western (off site),	None	Along western boundary
southern and northern boundary with several mature		
hedgerow trees		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
No	N/A	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
No	N/A	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
No	Large area of small estates to the south of Mill Lane built	
	between the old centres of Chinnor and Oakley	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
No	character:	openness/enclosure:
	None	Enclosed site
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
No	Not known	Medium to small scale simple landscape of pasture
		and boundary vegetation
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium / Low	Medium
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

Adjacent settlement:

Chinnor

Character of the urban edge:

Estate houses form prominent linear edge to the settlement

Presence in a floodplain:

No

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Of a smaller scale than the wider landscape but reflects the landscape pattern along the northern edge of Chinnor.

Character of adjacent village(s):

Large area of small estates to the south of Mill Lane built between the old centres of Chinnor and Oakley

Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Recreational links with the wider area:

No

**VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:** 

N/A

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CHI 8 – Land at corner of Mill Lane & Thame Road
Site character areas:	No sub-division
Date of site survey:	23/1/14
Surveyors:	ВК
Weather/visibility:	Cloud / sun
LCA:	LCA 3 The Clay Vale/LCT Undulating Semi-Enclosed Vale

### LCA:

- low-lying, undulating or gently rolling landform;
- large-scale farmland, mostly under intensive arable cultivation;
- typically large fields, with rectilinear pattern of field boundaries;
- distinctive elevated and expansive character on higher ground, with dominant sky and long views;
- predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads (including M40/A40), overhead power lines and built development
- strong structure of hedgerows and trees which provide clearer definition of field pattern;
- predominantly intensive arable land use but some pockets of permanent pasture occur, particularly around settlements and in the more strongly undulating areas;
- predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads (including M40/A40), overhead power lines and built development;
- moderate intervisibility

## Landscape designations:

None

# **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Mill Lane and Thame Road through hedgerow	Road users	compatibility of mitigation:
Some adjacent houses through hedgerows	Residents	Retain boundary vegetation
Chinnor Hill (AONB)		Site is well screened so little landscape mitigation
		needed
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Tree boundary	Thame Road very busy	No impacts
Some houses	Local community use of Mill lane	
Chiltern hills		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Area of open space on edge of the village	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium / Low	Low
Visual sensitivity score:	•	•
Medium		
Additional comments:		

# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Post and rail along Thame Road (in poor condition)	Road traffic on busy road
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
No	Not known	Pylons to the north
		Glimpses for road traffic
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	No	Village lighting
Water features:		
No		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Pasture	N/A	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt around New Farm	N/A	
A small group of individual trees in north edge of site		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Mature dense hedgerows along western, southern and	None	No
eastern boundary with several mature hedgerow trees		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
No	N/A	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
No	N/A	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
No	A central junction in Chinnor with village centre leading to	
	the south and south-west and housing estates to the	
	south-east	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
No	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Long back garden to the west contributes to the tree	Enclosed site
	cover	
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
No	Not known	Medium to small scale simple landscape of pasture
		and boundary vegetation
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / High	Medium / Low	Medium / Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

Adjacent settlement:

Chinnor

Character of the urban edge:

Mixed age housing with some commercial premises

Presence in a floodplain:

No

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Separated from the open arable landscape to the north by the tree cover around New Farm

Character of adjacent village(s):

Mixed housing and some commercial property on northern approach to village

Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Recreational links with the wider area:

No

**VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:** 

N/A

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CHI9 – Chinnor Garden Centre
Site character areas:	No sub-division
Date of site survey:	23/1/14
Surveyors:	ВК
Weather/visibility:	Cloud / sun
LCA:	LCA 3 The Clay Vale/LCT Undulating Semi-Enclosed Vale

- low-lying, undulating or gently rolling landform;
- large-scale farmland, mostly under intensive arable cultivation;
- typically large fields, with rectilinear pattern of field boundaries;
- weak structure of tightly clipped or gappy hedgerows, with few hedgerow trees;
- open, denuded and exposed character, with high intervisibility;
- distinctive elevated and expansive character on higher ground, with dominant sky and long views;
- predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads (including M40/A40), overhead power lines and built development
- predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads (including M40/A40), overhead power lines and built development;
- moderate intervisibility

## Landscape designations:

None

# **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Thame Road	Road users	compatibility of mitigation:
Adjacent house	Local resident	Extend tree belt along northern boundary
Greenhouses visible in view from Chinnor Hill (AONB)		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Adjacent housing	Busy road	Beneficial
Thames Road		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Edge of village and part of built area due to number of	
	greenhouses and hard surfacing	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
Greenhouses are a prominent feature		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium / Low	Low
Visual sensitivity score:	•	•
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Internal palisade fencing	Heavy local traffic on Thame Road
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Not known	Adjacent pylons
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Formerly Grade 2 now hard surfaced	No	Local village lighting
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Greenhouses and hard standing	N/A	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Prominent tree group on eastern boundary	N/A	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Mature hedgerow along north boundary	Greenhouses, sheds	No
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
No	No	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
No	N/A	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
No	Edge of linear development on one side of Thames Road	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
No	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Limited with just one small garden to the south	Enclosed site
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
Hedge to Thame Road	Not known	Series of green houses and hardstanding across a
		small site
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	No	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		<u> </u>
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Low	Medium / Low

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

Adjacent settlement:

Chinnor

Character of the urban edge:

Mix of roadside houses along Thame Road, open field to the west of Thame Road and farmhouse surrounded by trees marking entrance to the village

Presence in a floodplain:

No

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Separated form wider countryside by hedgerow and tree cover

Character of adjacent village(s):

Mixed housing and some commercial property on northern approach to village

Historic links with the wider area if known:

No known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None

Recreational links with the wider area:

None

**VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:** 

N/A

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CHIIO – Land N of Malyns Close
Site character areas:	No sub-division
Date of site survey:	23/1/14
Surveyors:	ВК
Weather/visibility:	Sun / cloud

### LCA:

### LCA 3 The Clay Vale/LCT Undulating Semi-Enclosed Vale

- low-lying, undulating or gently rolling landform;
- large-scale farmland, mostly under intensive arable cultivation;
- typically large fields, with rectilinear pattern of field boundaries;
- open, denuded and exposed character, with high intervisibility;
- distinctive elevated and expansive character on higher ground, with dominant sky and long views;
- predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads (including M40/A40), overhead power lines and built development
- Good structure of hedgerows and trees which provide clearer definition of field pattern;
- predominantly intensive arable land use but some pockets of permanent pasture occur, particularly around settlements and in the more strongly undulating areas;
- predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads (including M40/A40), overhead power lines and built development;
- moderate intervisibility

## Landscape designations:

None

## **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

Opportunities for mitigation and landscape compatibility of mitigation:  Tree planting along northern boundary to link with tree cover around CHI 9  Soften existing built up edge of Chinnor limpacts of mitigation:  Beneficial
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Sensitivity score:
Low
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# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	None	Vehicular traffic to farmstead and machinery on site
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Not known	Pylons in the adjacent field
		Storage of materials on site
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	No	Village lighting levels
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Pasture	N/A	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Trees in site CHI 9 to the west of the site	N/A	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Mature hedgerow to north	Farmstead with barns	Footpath along eastern boundary
Neat hedgerow to footpath		
Gappy hedges to rear of houses		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
No	N/A	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
No	N/A	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
No	Estate linear housing on the edge of Chinnor	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
No	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Small back gardens make little contribution	Enclosed and sub-divided area
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
Conifer belts within the site around the farmstead	Not known	More complex and varied landscape. Small scale.
		Landscape eroded by business use.
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	No	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		

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Natural factors

No
Other information

Sensitivity score:
Medium / low
Landscape sensitivity score:
Medium / Low
Additional comments:

Cultural factors
Perceptual features

Sensitivity
Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low
Medium / Low
Medium / Low

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

Adjacent settlement:

Chinnor

Character of the urban edge:

Mixed suburban housing

Presence in a floodplain:

No

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

The site is typical of the field pattern on the north side of Chinnor

Views over the wider landscape are limited by hedgerows

Character of adjacent village(s):

Small scale modern estates around an older core

Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None

Recreational links with the wider area:

None

**VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:** 

N/A

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CHI I I – Area N of Leybourne Gardens
Site character areas:	No sub-division
Date of site survey:	23/1/14
Surveyors:	ВК
Weather/visibility:	Cloud / sun

### LCA:

## LCA 3 The Clay Vale/LCT Undulating Open Vale

- low-lying, undulating or gently rolling landform;
- large-scale farmland, mostly under intensive arable cultivation;
- typically large fields, with rectilinear pattern of field boundaries;
- weak structure of tightly clipped or gappy hedgerows, with few hedgerow trees;
- open, denuded and exposed character, with high intervisibility;
- distinctive elevated and expansive character on higher ground, with dominant sky and long views; predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads (including M40/A40), overhead power lines and built development

## Landscape designations:

None

## **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

of viewers: s tude of viewers (level of use and popularity): popular perceptions (activity and expectations of	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape compatibility of mitigation: Hedgerow trees Tree lines along northern boundary Break up built form with tree planting Impacts of mitigation: No adverse impacts
tude of viewers (level of use and popularity): popular	Hedgerow trees Tree lines along northern boundary Break up built form with tree planting Impacts of mitigation:
tude of viewers (level of use and popularity): popular	Tree lines along northern boundary Break up built form with tree planting Impacts of mitigation:
popular	Break up built form with tree planting  Impacts of mitigation:
popular	Impacts of mitigation:
popular	
	No adverse impacts
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perceptions (activity and expectations of	
isual receptors):	
eld on edge of village,	
vity score:	Sensitivity score:
1	Medium / Low
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	ivity score:

# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Almost flat area lying on plateau with ground falling to	Garden fences	Quiet area
the north beyond the site	Post and wire southern boundary	
	Internal paddock post and wire fencing	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors
None	Not known	Pylons in the adjacent field
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	None	Village lighting
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Grass ley and paddocks	N/A	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
None	N/A	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Neat hedges to field boundaries	None but large farm buildings adjacent to the south-east	2 paths run along the boundaries
	corner of the site	
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	N/A	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	N/A	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	Suburban edge	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Small gardens separated from site by open grassed area	Open landscape enclosed by low hedges which
		screen views
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
Conifer belts around farmstead	Not known	Simple medium scale rectangular field
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		

# Landscape Capacity Assessment for Sites on the Edge of the Larger Villages of South Oxfordshire

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Low	Medium
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

Adjacent settlement:

Chinnor

Character of the urban edge:

Mixed suburban housing

Presence in a floodplain:

No

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

The site is typical of the field pattern on the north side of Chinnor

Views over the wider landscape are limited by hedgerows

Character of adjacent village(s):

Small scale modern estates around an older core

Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None

Recreational links with the wider area:

None

**VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:** 

N/A

distinctive elevated and expansive character on higher ground, with dominant sky and long views;

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CHII2 – Land at Lane Farm
Site character areas:	No subdivision
Date of site survey:	23/1/14
Surveyors:	BK
Weather/visibility:	Cloud / sun
LCA:	LCA 3 The Clay Vale/LCT Undulating Open Vale
low-lying, undulating or gently rolling landform;	
<ul> <li>large-scale farmland, mostly under intensive</li> </ul>	ve arable cultivation;
<ul> <li>typically large fields, with rectilinear pattern of field boundaries;</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>weak structure of tightly clipped or gappy hedgerows, with few hedgerow trees;</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>open, denuded and exposed character, wi</li> </ul>	th high intervisibility:

• predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads (including M40/A40), overhead power lines and built development Landscape designations:

None

**VISUAL SENSITIVITY** 

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Adjacent footpath	Walkers	compatibility of mitigation:
Eastern edge visible from Lower Icknield Way	Residents	Reinforce hedgerows and plant hedge trees
Local houses	Road users	Create soft edge to village
Chinnor Hill (AONB)	AONB	
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Chiltern hills	Well used	Loss of views out of Chinnor
Housing north of Chinnor		Potential impact on views from the north
Open landscape to north and north-east		·
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
On edge of higher land which falls to north	local visual receptors):	
	Sense of leaving the village and entering open countryside	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / High	Medium / High	Medium / High
Visual sensitivity score:		· ·
Medium / High		
Additional comments:		

## LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Open northern boundary	Quiet area
Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors
Not known	Pylons
Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
None	Village lighting
Conservation Area:	
No	
Landscape features of CA:	
N/A	
Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
None	Path runs along western boundary
Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
N/A	No
Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
N/A	No
Settlement pattern:	
Adjacent suburban housing and large farm buildings	
Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
character:	openness/enclosure:
Small gardens lead to more exposed housing	Open landscape
Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
Not known	Large scale very uniform simple landscape
Features of cultural importance:	
None	
	Small rear gardens to the south  Historic landscapes: Not known  Parkland features: None  Conservation Area: No  Landscape features of CA: N/A  Built form: None  Setting of listed buildings: N/A  Scheduled Ancient Monuments: N/A  Settlement pattern: Adjacent suburban housing and large farm buildings  Contribution of private gardens to landscape character: Small gardens lead to more exposed housing  Cultural associations: Not known  Features of cultural importance:

Landscape Capacity Assessment for Sites on the Edge of the Larger Villages of South Oxfordshire

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Low	Medium
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

Adjacent settlement:

Chinnor

Character of the urban edge:

Mixed suburban housing and large farm buildings

Presence in a floodplain:

No

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

The site is typical of the field pattern on the north side of Chinnor

Views over the wider landscape

Stream on eastern boundary forms [part of the wider landscape

Character of adjacent village(s):

Small scale modern estates around an older core

Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None

Recreational links with the wider area:

None

**VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:** 

N/A

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CHI 17 – Mill Lane
Site character areas:	No sub-division
Date of site survey:	23/1/14
Surveyors:	ВК
Weather/visibility:	Cloud / sun

#### LCA:

### LCA 3 The Clay Vale/LCT Undulating Semi-Enclosed Vale

- low-lying, undulating or gently rolling landform;
- large-scale farmland, mostly under intensive arable cultivation;
- typically large fields, with rectilinear pattern of field boundaries;
- structure of tightly clipped or gappy hedgerows, with few hedgerow trees;
- open, denuded and exposed character, with high intervisibility;
- distinctive elevated and expansive character on higher ground, with dominant sky and long views;
- predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads (including M40/A40), overhead power lines and built development;
- predominantly intensive arable land use but some pockets of permanent pasture occur, particularly around settlements and in the more strongly undulating areas;
- predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads (including M40/A40), overhead power lines and built development;
- moderate intervisibility

## Landscape designations:

Setting of Conservation Area

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Footpaths across the site and running east of the site	Walkers	compatibility of mitigation:
Local houses	Residents	Tree planting to link in with Conservation Area
Conservation Area	Visitors to Chinnor Hill	Hedgerow trees to field boundaries
Chinnor Hill (AONB) (winter and partial)		
Road to Wainhill and footpath from Wainhill to		
Chinnor (view of site location but not field)		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Chiltern escarpment	Well used by locals	Contributes to loss of open setting to CA
Rear of Conservation Area		
Vale landscape to the north		
Houses except in east		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Open area well related to village centre and a transition	
	from the Conservation Area to the wider open landscape	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
no		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / High	Medium / High	Medium
Visual sensitivity score:	-	
Medium / High		
Additional comments:		

# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat in the main	Garden fences to small gardens along Lower Icknield Way	Quiet area
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
No	North part of site used to be an orchard (OS 1881)	None except small power lines
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	None	Village lighting
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Pasture - grazed	Chinnor	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Trees in Conservation Area	Tree cover and open pasture to rear of CA	
	Large gardens	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Gappy hedgerow to 2 sides	None	Crossed by path
		Access from high Street and Lower Icknield Way
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
No	Tree cover and open pasture to rear of CA	No
	Large gardens	
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
No	None	No
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
No	Rear gardens of housing on 2 and half sides	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
No	character:	openness/enclosure:
	CA gardens make an important contribution. Small	Semi-enclosed by housing and trees and open or
	gardens allow exposure of built form	north-east side
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
	No known	Simple landscape in a varied setting,
		Medium to small scale
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		

# Landscape Capacity Assessment for Sites on the Edge of the Larger Villages of South Oxfordshire

 Natural factors
 Cultural factors
 Perceptual features

 None
 Other information

 Sensitivity score:

 Medium
 Sensitivity score:

 Medium / High
 Medium / High

 Landscape sensitivity score:

 Medium / High

 Additional comments:

#### Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

Adjacent settlement: Chinnor village centre

Character of the urban edge:

Rural village edge with some more exposed suburban housing

Presence in a floodplain:

Yes

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Contrast with pattern of larger fields in arable use to the east

Good visual links with the Chilterns escarpment

Character of adjacent village(s):

Small scale modern estates around an older core to the north

Large modern estate to the south

Historic links with the wider area if known:

Small scale setting of Conservation Area including former orchard and pasture

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

No known

Recreational links with the wider area:

Footpath links only

**VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:** 

N/A

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CHI20 – Land adjacent to Chinnor cement works	
Site character areas:	No subdivision	
Date of site survey:	23/1/14	
Surveyors:	ВК	
Weather/visibility:	Rain/low cloud followed by sun	
LCA:	LCA Eastern Vale Fringes/LCT Open Rolling Downs	

#### • distinctively smooth rounded landform of low chalk or greensand hills;

- dominance of intensive arable cultivation but some areas of permanent pasture or grassland;
- large-scale field pattern contained within a comparatively intact structure of hedges, with hedgerow trees and frequent linear belts or stands of planted woodland;
- distinctively 'grey' and flinty soils;
- rural character with few detracting influences, although main roads create some localised intrusion;
- semi-enclosed landscape with moderate intervisibility

# Landscape designations:

Setting of Chilterns AONB

Population	Mitigation potential
Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Road users	compatibility of mitigation:
Local residents	Enhance hedgerows
	Tree planting to break up built form
Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Local users mainly	Loss of views down open vale landscape between
	Chinnor and Cement works
Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
local visual receptors):	
Open field between houses	
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Low
	Types of viewers: Road users Local residents  Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity): Local users mainly  Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual receptors): Open field between houses  Sensitivity score:

### LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Fences to rear gardens	Quiet area
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Not known	Views of former quarry
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	No	Village lighting
Site within Minerals Consultation Area		
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Arable	N/A	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
None	N/A	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Mature but gappy hedgerow to station and railway line	None	No
and low hedge along north-east boundary to site 21		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	N/A	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
No	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
No	Modern low rise smaller housing with small gardens	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
No	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Built form is more exposed due to small size of gardens	Semi- enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
No	Not known	Simple medium to small scale rectangular pattern
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		

Landscape Capacity Assessment for Sites on the Edge of the Larger Villages of South Oxfordshire

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Iow	Low	Medium / Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

### Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

Adjacent settlement:

Chinnor

Character of the urban edge:

Modern low rise smaller housing with small gardens

Higher more dense C21st housing to the south

Presence in a floodplain:

No

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Some continuity with open landscape to the south-west

Character of adjacent village(s):

Small scale modern estate around an older core to the north

Large modern estate to the south

Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None

Recreational links with the wider area:

None

**VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:** 

N/A

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CHI21 – Land adjacent to Chinnor cement works	
Site character areas:	No subdivision	
Date of site survey:	23/1/14	
Surveyors:	ВК	
Weather/visibility:	Rain/low cloud followed by sun	
LCA:	I CA Fastern Vale Fringes/I CT Open Rolling Downs	

- distinctively smooth rounded landform of low chalk or greensand hills;
- dominance of intensive arable cultivation but some areas of permanent pasture or grassland;
- large-scale field pattern contained within a comparatively intact structure of hedges, with hedgerow trees and frequent linear belts or stands of planted woodland;
- distinctively 'grey' and flinty soils;
- rural character with few detracting influences, although main roads create some localised intrusion;
- semi-enclosed landscape with moderate intervisibility

# Landscape designations:

Setting of Chilterns AONB

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Glimpses from Oakley Hill	Road users	compatibility of mitigation:
Local road network	Local residents	Create new woodland belt as extension to
Local residential property	Walkers	existing along south-western boundary
Station		Reinforce hedgerows
Road and path south of Crowell and Kingston Blount		Soften edge of settlement
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Chiltern escarpment	Local users	Loss of views down open vale landscape between
Open vale landscape		Chinnor and Cement works
Edge of Chinnor and new housing at Cement works		Additional screening to Cement works
		development
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Open field between houses	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Medium / Iow
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Fences to rear gardens	Quiet
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	·	Small pylons
		Views of former quarry
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	No	Village lighting
Site within Minerals Consultation Area		
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Arable	N/A	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Trees along north part of western boundary to site I	N/A	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Mature hedgerow to Cement works site and low hedge	None	No
along north-east boundary to site 20		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	N/A	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
No	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
No	Modern low rise smaller housing with small gardens	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
No	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Built form is more exposed due to small size of gardens	Semi- enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
No	Not known	Simple medium to small scale rectangular pattern
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information	<u> </u>	1

Landscape Capacity Assessment for Sites on the Edge of the Larger Villages of South Oxfordshire

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Iow	Low	Medium / Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

### Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

#### Adjacent settlement:

Chinnor

### Character of the urban edge:

Modern low rise smaller housing with small gardens

Higher more dense C21st housing to the south

### Presence in a floodplain:

No

### Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Some continuity with open landscape to the south-west

# Character of adjacent village(s):

Small scale modern estate around an older core to the north

Large modern estate to the south

### Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

### Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None

#### **VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:**

N/A

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CHOLI – Land at East End Farm
Site character areas:	No sub-division
Date of site survey:	21/2/14
Surveyors:	ВК
Weather/visibility:	Sun / cloud

#### LCA:

### LCA 7 Wessex Downs and Western Vale Fringes / LCT Semi-Enclosed Rolling Downs

- smoothly rounded hills and downland flanks;
- intimate dry valleys which dissect the chalk downs, typically with mixed woodland clothing the steep valley sides;
- dominance of arable cultivation but with a comparatively strong landscape structure of hedges, trees and woods, providing visual enclosure and diversity;
- distinctive clumps of woodland on prominent hilltops, such as Wittenham Clumps;
- distinctively 'grey' and flinty soils;
- rural character with few detracting influences;
- extensive views from hilltops and downs across the vale to the north but intervisibility restricted by woods and hedgerows

#### Landscape designations:

None

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Ilges Lane	Road users	compatibility of mitigation:
Track from Ilges Lane to Blackall's Farm	Visitors to veterinary premises	Additional boundary tree and hedgerow planting
Adjacent houses	Local residents	
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Adjacent fields in CHOL 2 and	Local community	Improved landscaped edge to settlement
Settlement edge7	·	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Inner edge of countryside, closely connected to settlement	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Low
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

### LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Open boundary with Ilges Lane with post and wire fence	Local traffic
	Rear garden fences	
	Fences and gates to Wallingford Road	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	No	Existing storage at the riding school
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	No	Local village lighting
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Pasture	N/A	
Brownfield: Existing working farmstead / riding school		
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Conifer belt adjacent to veterinary premises	N/A	
Tree belt for part of boundary with open field		
(CHOL 7)		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Neat hedge to rear gardens along Ilges Lane	Farmhouse, barns and ancillary structures	No
Gappy hedgerow to part of boundary with open field	Hardstanding adjacent to Wallingford Road	
(CHOL 7)		
Short beech hedge to Wallingford Road		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	No	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	N/A	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Small historic core with linear development along main	
	routes into the village and small to medium sized estates	
	mainly between the main routes into the centre	
	New development at Fairmile Hospital extends village	
	south of Reading Road	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
	Small gardens edge the southern boundary with houses	Enclosed
	clearly visible	
	Large gardens with trees to north of the site	
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
Gardens to farmhouse	Not known	Complex irregular shape with simple uniform
		open area and complex brownfield area
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information	·	
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium / Low	Medium
Landscape sensitivity score:	•	
Medium		
Additional comments:		

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

Adjacent settlement:

Cholsey

Character of the urban edge:

Low rise small scale housing along Ilges Lane generally exposed to site

Soft edge of large gardens and allotments to the north

Presence in a floodplain:

Νo

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Separated from open countryside by tree lines and the Veterinary premises

Character of adjacent village(s):

Mixed housing in small to medium sized estates with small historic core

Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Recreational links with the wider area:

N/A

**VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:** 

N/A

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CHOL2 – Land opposite Fairmile Hospital	
Site character areas:	No subdivision	
Date of site survey:	21/2/14	
Surveyors:	ВК	
Weather/visibility:	Sun / cloud	
LCA:	LCA 7 Wessex Downs and Western Vale Fringes / LCT Open Rolling Downs	
<ul> <li>smoothly rounded hills and downland flanks;</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>dominance of intensive arable cultivation with</li> </ul>	weak or absent hedgerow structure and large-scale field pattern;	
<ul> <li>distinctively 'grey' and flinty soils;</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>large-scale, open and denuded landscape;</li> </ul>		

• open landscape results in high intervisibility and extensive views **Landscape designations:** 

rural character with few detracting influences;

Setting of Chilterns AONB

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Higher ground within the Chilterns including the 4074	Road users	compatibility of mitigation:
Wallingford to Reading road	Residents	Provision of large area of Green Infrastructure
Reading Road	Walkers	Creation of woodland structure
Footpath linking Reading Road to Ilges Lane		
Adjacent housing		
Queens Road and Ilges Lane		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Chiltern and North Wessex Downs hillsides	Well used routes	Loss of open views out from the village
Settlement edge	Several residents	Open downland broken up by planting as well as
Tree cover along Reading Road and some roofs at		development
Fairmile Hospital		
Open land at CHOL 3		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
Higher ground merges with settlement on the skyline	local visual receptors):	
	Large open field as part of the open downs but between	
	two large estates ( off Queens Road and Fairmile Hospital)	
Panoramic views:		
Over site to panoramas of the surrounding hills		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / High	Medium	Medium
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Rising hillside from 49m AOD to plateau in the north	Open boundaries to north and south	Filtered traffic noise from A329
part of the site at 55m AOD	Garden fences to western boundary	Local traffic
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors
None	No	Mast south of A329
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	None	Between two areas of lighting at the village and Fairmile Hospital
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Arable	N/A	
Very small area of pasture		
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Semi-mature tree planting along northern and eastern	N/A	
boundaries		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Dense hedge along Papist Road	None	Footpath follows northern boundary
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	No	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	N/A	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Small historic core with linear development along main	
	routes into the village and small to medium sized estates	
	mainly between the main routes into the centre	
	New development at Fairmile Hospital extends village south of Reading Road	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Small back gardens to houses along Lapwing Lane make	Open
	little impact but edge softened by some trees	'
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
None	Not known	Very simple large scale triangular site

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low	Medium / Low	Medium / High
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

#### Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

#### Adjacent settlement:

Cholsey

### Character of the urban edge:

Low rise small scale housing on skyline above the site

Higher density and tall development at Fairmile Hospital

### Presence in a floodplain:

No

## Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Open down landscape continues north-east of the site towards Wallingford and beyond Cholsey to the south-west into the North Wessex Downs Contrast with semi-enclosed downs landscape leading down to the Thames valley floor

# Character of adjacent village(s):

Mostly middle sized housing estates

## Historic links with the wider area if known:

None

### Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None

#### **VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:**

N/A

#### **SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET**

Site:	CHOL3 – Land at Celsea Place
Site character areas:	No subdivision
Date of site survey:	21/2/14
Surveyors:	BK
Weather/visibility:	Sun / Cloud
LCA:	LCA 7 Wessex Downs and Western Vale Fringes / LCT Open Rolling Downs
e smoothly rounded hills and downland flanks:	

- smoothly rounded hills and downland flanks;
- dominance of intensive arable cultivation with weak or absent hedgerow structure and largescale field pattern;
- distinctively 'grey' and flinty soils;
- large-scale, open and denuded landscape;
- rural character with few detracting influences;
- open landscape results in high intervisibility and extensive views

### Landscape designations:

Within visual setting of the Chilterns AONB

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Celsea Place	Local residents and the local community	compatibility of mitigation:
Long views over CHOL 2 from Ilges Lane		Boundary planting
Occasional views from higher ground within the		
Chilterns AONB		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Village	Locally well used	Help soften edge of settlement
CHOL 2		Loss of openness
Chiltern hills		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Small edge of village. / edge of landscape site	
Panoramic views:		
From Celsea Place over the site to the Chiltern hills		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium / Low	Medium / Low
Visual sensitivity score:	·	<u> </u>
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Open boundary to CHOL 2	Local traffic
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
No	No	None
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	No	Village lighting
Water features:		
No		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Arable	N/A	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
No	N/A	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedges to rear gardens	None	No
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
No .	N/A	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
No	N/A	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Small historic core with linear development along main	
	routes into the village and small to medium sized estates	
	mainly between the main routes into the centre	
	New development at Fairmile Hospital extends village	
	south of Reading Road	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Small gardens include some trees and hedges	Open
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
No	None known	Very simple medium sized uniform pattern
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	No	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		

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Natural factors

None

Other information

Sensitivity score:
Low

Landscape sensitivity score:
Low

Additional comments:

Cultural factors

Perceptual features

Sensitivity

Medium / Low

Medium / Low

# Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

adjacent settlement:
Cholsey
Character of the urban edge:
lodern estate with houses set back along Celsea Place
resence in a floodplain:
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elationship with adjacent wider countryside:
hysical and visual links with CHOL 2
ypical of open rolling downs
Character of adjacent village(s):
lostly middle sized housing estates
listoric links with the wider area if known:
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cological links with the wider area if known:
lo
ecreational links with the wider area:
lo
DS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:
I/A

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CHOL7 – Land S of Blackall's Farm		
Site character areas:	No subdivision		
Date of site survey:	21/2/14		
Surveyors:	ВК		
Weather/visibility:	Sun / cloud		
LCA:	LCA 7 Wessex Downs and Western Vale Fringes / LCT Open Rolling Downs		
<ul> <li>smoothly rounded hills and downland flar</li> </ul>	nks;		
dominance of intensive arable cultivation.	with weak or absent hedgerow structure and large scale field pattern.		

- dominance of intensive arable cultivation with weak or absent hedgerow structure and large scale field pattern;
- distinctively 'grey' and flinty soils;
- large-scale, open and denuded landscape;
- rural character with few detracting influences;
- open landscape results in high intervisibility and extensive views

### Landscape designations:

Setting of Chilterns AONB and North Wessex Downs AONB.

Wider setting of Grade II listed building at Blackall's Lane

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Track	Walkers	compatibility of mitigation:
Adjacent houses	Local residents	Reinforce site boundary with tree planting and
Grade II listed building	Road users in the Chilterns	woodland
Higher ground of Chilterns AONB		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Settlement edge	Chilterns views from well used roads	Loss of openness
Veterinary premises	Low numbers locally	New tree planting would be in keeping with the
Chiltern and North Wessex Downs hills	, ,	character of the area and soften the settlement
		edge further
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
Existing settlement on edge of site forms a skyline in	local visual receptors):	
views from the Chilterns	Open field on the edge of the settlement	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / High	Medium	Medium / Low
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
On slopes dropping gently away from the village down	Open boundary to track	Distant local traffic
to the north-east	Post and wire fence to CHOL I	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Small area of pasture / scrub forms part of the historic field	None
	pattern along Wallingford Road west of Blackall's Farm	
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	None	Dark area beyond village lighting
Part of site within Minerals Consultation Zone		
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Arable	N/A	
New nature reserve		
Pasture with scrub		
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Short tree belt to the southern boundary with CHOL I	N/A	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedges to properties	None	Track passes the site (not PROW)
Hedge around new nature reserve and area of pasture		
Dense well maintained hedge along outer edge of track		
around the east side of the site		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
No	Blackall's Farm	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
No	N/A	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Small historic core with linear development along main	
	routes into the village and small to medium sized estates	
	mainly between the main routes into the centre	
	New development at Fairmile Hospital extends village	
	south of Reading Road	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:

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Natural factors Cultural factors Perceptual features Large trees in private gardens Open Other significant vegetation cover: **Cultural associations:** Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern: Simple but not uniform land use pattern at small Not known to medium scale BAP/Phase I records: Features of cultural importance: Deciduous woodland in N of site None Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: None Other information Sensitivity score: **S**ensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Medium Medium Medium / High Landscape sensitivity score: Medium / High **Additional comments:** 

### Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

#### Adjacent settlement:

Cholsey

### Character of the urban edge:

Large gardens of properties along Wallingford Road

Low rise smaller properties with small gardens visible across CHOL I

#### Presence in a floodplain:

No

## Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Typical of LCA 7 open downs landscape

Character similar to wider open arable landscape to the east

Separated for most of the area by dense well maintained hedge

# Character of adjacent village(s):

Mix of estates and older mixed housing along main road into the village

#### Historic links with the wider area if known:

Area of pasture / scrub is part of the historic landscape pattern north east of Cholsey

### Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Not known

## Recreational links with the wider area:

None

#### **VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:**

N/A

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CHOL8 – Land at Blackhalls Farm
Site character areas:	No subdivision
Date of site survey:	21/2/14
Surveyors:	ВК
Weather/visibility:	Sun / Cloud

#### LCA:

# LCA 7 Wessex Downs and Western Vale Fringes / LCT Semi-Enclosed Rolling Downs

- smoothly rounded hills and downland flanks;
- intimate dry valleys which dissect the chalk downs, typically with mixed woodland clothing the steep valley sides;
- dominance of arable cultivation but with a comparatively strong landscape structure of hedges, trees and woods, providing visual enclosure and diversity;
- distinctive clumps of woodland on prominent hilltops, such as Wittenham Clumps;
- distinctively 'grey' and flinty soils;
- rural character with few detracting influences;
- extensive views from hilltops and downs across the vale to the north but intervisibility restricted by woods and hedgerows

#### Landscape designations:

The site may be within the visual setting of the North Wessex Downs but appeared unlikely. This would be verified through a landscape and visual impact assessment.

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Caps Lane	Road users	compatibility of mitigation:
Blackall's Farm	Walkers	Native tree planting to soften edge with the area
Track from Blackall's Farm to Ilges Lane	Local resident	of grassland next to Caps Lane
		Native screen planting to existing modern grain store
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Blackall's Farm	Fairly low local use	Enhance landscape edge of the settlement
Caps Lane		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Farm buildings on the edge of the village	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
Prominent buildings on turn in road area local feature		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Low
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Slight fall northwards	Open boundaries	Local levels of traffic
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Part of historic extent of Blackhall's Farm with line of willows clearly visible in 19C OS maps	Adjacent modern silage barn
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 4?	None	Dark edge of village
Site within Minerals Consultation Zone		
Water features:		
No		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Barns and hardstandings	N/A	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Line of willow along north-east boundary	N/A	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
None	Barns	No PROW but track used by local community
	Hardstanding	
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	Blackall's Farm Grade II listed building	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
none	N/A	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Small historic core with linear development along main	
	routes into the village and small to medium sized estates	
	mainly between the main routes into the centre	
	New development at Fairmile Hospital extends village	
	south of Reading Road	
	Settlement extends along Wallingford road as far as Caps	
	Lane, becoming increasingly rural in character	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	N/A	Largely enclosed by adjacent buildings and tree cover

Natural factors Cultural factors Perceptual features Other significant vegetation cover: **Cultural associations:** Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern: Rough grassland Remnant landscape from the 19C Not known Small scale mix of farmstead uses **BAP/Phase I records:** Features of cultural importance: None None Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: None Other information Sensitivity score: **Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score:** Medium / Low Medium / High Medium Landscape sensitivity score: Medium **Additional comments:** 

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

#### Adjacent settlement:

Cholsey

## Character of the urban edge:

Semi-rural with large properties in very large gardens of a semi-rural character

Blackhall's Farm lies in transition between the village and the open countryside

#### Presence in a floodplain:

No

# Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Separated from the wider landscape by the modern barns

Transition landscape on Caps Lane between site and open fields

# Character of adjacent village(s):

Mixed housing in small to medium sized estates with small historic core

## Historic links with the wider area if known:

Evidence of historic links with landscape around Baker's Farm north of Caps Lane and properties to the east, south of Caps Lane

## Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Not known

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

N/A

#### **VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:**

N/A

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CROI – Land off Lane End
Site character areas:	No sub-divisions
Date of site survey:	17.01.14
Surveyors:	AG, TJ
Weather/visibility:	Partly cloudy

#### LCA:

#### LCA 4 River Thames Corridor/LCT Parkland and estate farmland

- generally enclosed character with strong landform, woodland and tree cover, low intervisibility;
- well-managed parkland character with formal features such as avenues and free-standing mature trees in pasture, clumps and blocks of woodland;
- unspoilt character

#### LCA 4 River Thames Corridor/LCT Flat, semi-enclosed farmland

- stronger landscape structure and a semi-enclosed character around Burcot and to the north of Wittenham Clumps;
- predominantly rural character but with some intrusion of built form around Burcot;
- semi-enclosed character with moderate to low intervisibility;
- Flat floodplain pasture.

## Landscape designations:

Part of site in Chilterns AONB (0.75ha)

TPOs in south part of site

## **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
A4074 (in winter)	Walkers	compatibility of mitigation:
Lane End road	Residents	Good existing boundary vegetation
PROW (in CRO 2 to north)	Motorists	Small site
Adjacent houses	AONB visitors	
AONB (site is within AONB but generally not visible from AONB)		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
A4074 (in winter)	Small number of houses	Loss of openness on northern boundary
CRO2	Busy road (A4074)	
AONB (houses only – not wider AONB)		
Large-scale office buildings to north (Howbery Park)		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Local footpath	
	Edge of AONB	
	Setting of village	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low	Medium	Low
Visual sensitivity score:	•	•
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Close board fence to garden boundary	Noisy road
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Road traffic (in winter)
		Glimpsed large-scale office buildings to north
		(Howbery Park)
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	None	Houses
		Office buildings
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Rough grassland	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Mature trees to south western boundaries with houses	None	
(these trees may be in gardens or within site boundary)		
Including TPO trees in south part of site		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Along eastern boundary with A4074	None	No – footpath within CRO2
Garden boundary		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Trees in gardens create enclosure on southern and	Enclosed; open to north
	western boundaries	
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
None	None	Simple, irregular, small
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Low	Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Low		
Additional comments:		

#### Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

#### Adjacent settlement:

Crowmarsh Gifford

## Character of the urban edge:

Houses are visible, though there is quite a lot of vegetation to the settlement edge

# Presence in a floodplain:

No

# Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Severed from wider AONB by road and roadside planting

Some continuity with the land to north (CRO 2)

# Character of adjacent village(s):

Linear historic core with commercial development branching off to the north and modern housing widening the historic linear form and spreading to the east of the A4074

#### Historic links with the wider area if known:

None

## Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None

#### **VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:**

None

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CRO2 – Land between Benson Lane & A4074
Site character areas:	CRO2A North of footpath
Date of site survey:	17.01.14
Surveyors:	AG, TJ
Weather/visibility:	Cloudy
LCA:	North - LCA 4 River Thames Corridor/LCT Flat, semi-enclosed farmland
<ul> <li>stronger landscape structure and a semi-</li> </ul>	enclosed character around Burcot and to the north of Wittenham Clumps;
<ul> <li>predominantly rural character but with so</li> </ul>	ome intrusion of built form around Burcot;
semi-enclosed character with moderate to low intervisibility;	
<ul> <li>flat floodplain pasture.</li> </ul>	
Landscape designations:	
TPOs on site	

## **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Offices (Howbery Park)	Workers	compatibility of mitigation:
PROW	Walkers	No existing internal vegetation to build upon
Roads – Benson Lane (mostly in winter, but also	Motorists	
through gap in vegetation), A4074 (in winter only)	AONB visitors	
Chilterns AONB	Village Hall users	
Possible views from Ridgeway national trail (this would		
need to be further investigated)		
Crowmarsh Village Hall		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Chilterns AONB	Busy offices and roads,	Loss of openness and long views to AONB
Road	Local footpaths within and closest to site	
Offices (Howbery Park)	Ridgeway is a national trail – possible views	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	High expectations of AONB visitors and national trail	
	walkers	
	Forms open countryside setting for and approach to the	
	settlement	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / High	Medium / High	Medium / High
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium / High		
Additional comments:		

# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	None	Noisy road, otherwise relatively quiet
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Large-scale buildings west of Benson Lane partially
		visible in winter, screened in summer, otherwise
		feels rural
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2/3a/Other	None	Lights of Crowmarsh Gifford
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Arable	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
None	None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees to all boundaries	None	PROW along southern boundary
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
Small triangle of deciduous woodland in north tip of site	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	None	Semi-enclosed, away from boundary vegetation
		feels open and exposed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None	Large, irregular, simple
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
Deciduous woodland across road to NW	None	
Barn Owls & Adders on N of site		
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Low	Medium
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

Adjacent settlement:

Crowmarsh Gifford

Character of the urban edge:

Well vegetated

Presence in a floodplain:

Yes FP 1&2 – small area in woodland in north tip of site

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Typical of wider LCA to east, though cut off by A4074 and the roadside vegetation. Continuity with CRO2B and CRO1 to south

Character of adjacent village(s):

Linear historic core with commercial development branching off to the north and modern housing widening the historic linear form and spreading to the east of the A4074 Site CRO2A is well beyond village boundary – commercial / employment use adjacent to west

Historic links with the wider area if known:

None

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None

Recreational links with the wider area:

None

**VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:** 

None

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CRO2 – Land between Benson Lane & A4074		
Site character areas:	CRO2B South of footpath		
Date of site survey:	17.01.14		
Surveyors:	AG, TJ		
Weather/visibility:	Cloudy		
LCA:	South - LCA 4 River Thames Corridor/LCT Parkland and estate farmland		
<ul> <li>generally enclosed character with strong la</li> </ul>	ndform, woodland and tree cover, low intervisibility;		
<ul> <li>well-managed parkland character with form</li> </ul>	ed parkland character with formal features such as avenues and free-standing mature trees in pasture, clumps and blocks of woodland;		
<ul> <li>unspoilt character</li> </ul>	aracter		
Landscape designations:			
TPOs on site			

## **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Houses along Benson Lane	Residents	compatibility of mitigation:
Offices (Howbery Park)	Workers	No existing internal vegetation to build upon
PROW	Walkers	
Roads – Benson Lane (mostly in winter, but also	Motorists	
through gap in vegetation), A4074 (in winter only)	AONB visitors	
Chilterns AONB	Village Hall users	
Possible views from Ridgeway national trail (this would		
need to be further investigated)		
Crowmarsh Village Hall		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Houses along Benson Lane	Small number of houses	Loss of openness and long views to AONB
Chilterns AONB	Busy offices and roads,	including from PROWs
Road	Local footpaths within site	
Offices (Howbery Park)	Ridgeway is a national trail – possible views	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	High expectations of AONB visitors and national trail	
	walkers	
	Forms open countryside setting for and approach to the	
	settlement	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / High	Medium / High	Medium / High
Visual sensitivity score:	•	-
Medium / High		
Additional comments:		

# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Various fences to rear gardens	Noisy road, otherwise relatively quiet
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None evident	Large-scale buildings west of Benson Lane partially visible in winter, screened in summer, otherwise
		feels rural
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2/3a/Other	None evident – despite inclusion in Parkland and estate	Lights of Crowmarsh Gifford
	farmland	
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Arable	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
None	None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees to Benson Lane and	None	PROW bisecting site and along northern and
A4074 boundaries		southern boundaries
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Some planting in rear gardens of houses along Benson Lane	Semi-enclosed, away from boundary vegetation
		feels open and exposed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
None	None	Large, simple, irregular
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
Deciduous woodland across road to NW	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features	
Other information			
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	
Medium / Low	Low	Medium	
Landscape sensitivity score:			
Medium / Low			
Additional comments:			

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

#### Adjacent settlement:

Crowmarsh Gifford

## Character of the urban edge:

Mixed – some garden vegetation, some open views of houses

## Presence in a floodplain:

No

# Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Links to countryside to north (CRO2A) which is also typical of wider LCA to east, though cut off by A4074 and the roadside vegetation.

## Character of adjacent village(s):

Linear historic core with commercial development branching off to the north and modern housing widening the historic linear form and spreading to the east of the A4074. Site extends beyond village boundary – commercial / employment use adjacent to west

#### Historic links with the wider area if known:

None

# Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None

#### **VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:**

None

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site character areas:	No sub-divisions
	140 300-0141310113
Date of site survey:	17.01.14
Surveyors:	AG, TJ
Weather/visibility:	Sunny
LCA:	LCA 4 River Thames Corridor/LCT Flat, semi-enclosed farmland
<ul> <li>stronger landscape structure and a semi-enclosed chara</li> </ul>	cter around Burcot and to the north of Wittenham Clumps;
<ul> <li>predominantly rural character but with some intrusion</li> </ul>	of built form around Burcot;
<ul> <li>semi-enclosed character with moderate to low intervisi</li> </ul>	bility;
Flat floodplain pasture.	

## **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
The western end of site is visible from:	Walkers, including national trail walkers and AONB	compatibility of mitigation:
NWD AONB across Thames	visitors	Site currently sub-divided by buildings, vegetation
River Thames	Wallingford Castle visitors	and roads
Thames Path on west side of river (national trail)	Workers	
Wallingford Castle Meadows (within the Wallingford	River users	
Conservation Area, west of the river)		
Offices in Howbery Park		
East end of site is visible from Benson Lane		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
River	National trail	Loss of parkland setting including avenue
Wallingford Castle Meadows and Wallingford	Tourist attraction - Wallingford Castle Meadows	Opportunity to develop a cohesive masterplan
Conservation Area	Busy offices	
Benson Lane	Busy road, but only east part of site visible for a short	
	stretch of the road	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	The Wallingford Conservation Area appraisal states that	
	the green open spaces on the eastern bank of the Thames	
	are important in establishing a direct connection between	
	the Wallingford Castle Meadows and the surrounding	
	countryside, bringing a strong rural quality	
	AONB setting	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
None	0 11 11	
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium / High	Medium
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

## LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat, sloping imperceptibly to the river at the western end of site	Metal gates with stone pillars at entrance from Benson Lane Brick and flint walls to old stable / coach house yard	Busy road (Benson Lane) Internal roads busy during working hours quiet at western end
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Howbery Park – Victorian parkland setting for the Elizabethan style manor house	Large buildings, temporary buildings, car parks
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	Specimen trees, lawn, avenues, lodge, gate, hedge	Some internal street / security lights
Water features: Edge of Thames Ditch to northern boundary		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Business park- parkland setting	Wallingford Conservation Area – across Thames to west	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Individual trees	Water meadows	
Riverside trees	Wellingtonia trees, both within the	
Scots Pine to northern boundary	Wallingford Conservation Area Character Area 10: The	
Avenue along main entrance road	northern approaches: Wallingford Bridge, the cemetery and Castle Street	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Beech hedge to road	Site is largely developed with modern large-scale office / conference buildings, lodge building, listed manor house, stables and coach house, multi-use games area (MUGA)	No
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
Small areas of open woodland in eastern and western	Grade II listed Elizabethan style house (now used as	No
parts of site	offices); Grade II listed stables and coach house, both within site boundary	
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	MUGA
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	Campus layout	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:

Natural factors Cultural factors Perceptual features Partially enclosed by vegetation and buildings None Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern: Other significant vegetation cover: **Cultural associations:** None known Complex arrangement of buildings, trees, roads None **BAP/Phase I records:** Features of cultural importance: Deciduous woodland in E and W None known Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: None Other information Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Medium / Low Medium / High Medium / High Landscape sensitivity score: Medium Additional comments:

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

#### Adjacent settlement:

Crowmarsh Gifford

## Character of the urban edge:

Adjacent to commercial uses, not aware of Crowmarsh Gifford

## Presence in a floodplain:

Yes FP 2 & 3 4.35ha to W of site

#### Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

The Wallingford Conservation Area appraisal states that the green open spaces on the eastern bank of the Thames (including CRO3) are important in establishing a direct connection between the Wallingford Castle Meadows and the surrounding countryside, bringing a strong rural quality.

Otherwise the site is distinct and self-contained; not connected to countryside to north or east.

## Character of adjacent village(s):

Linear historic core with commercial development branching off to the north and modern housing widening the historic linear form and spreading to the east of the A4074. Site extends beyond village boundary – commercial / employment use adjacent to south. Site is also beyond the northern edge of Wallingford

#### Historic links with the wider area if known:

None

#### Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None

#### **VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:**

None

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CRO4 – Land to rear of Institute of Hydrology, Benson Lane	
Site character areas:	· · · ·	
Date of site survey:	17.01.14	
Surveyors:	AG, TJ	
Weather/visibility:	Sunny	
LCA:	LCA 4 River Thames Corridor/LCT Flat, semi-enclosed farmland	
<ul> <li>stronger landscape structure and a semi-er</li> </ul>	closed character around Burcot and to the north of Wittenham Clumps;	
<ul> <li>predominantly rural character but with sor</li> </ul>	ne intrusion of built form around Burcot;	
<ul> <li>semi-enclosed character with moderate to</li> </ul>	low intervisibility;	
<ul> <li>Flat floodplain pasture.</li> </ul>		
Landscape designations:		

## **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Offices	Walkers	compatibility of mitigation:
PRoW (possibly including Thames Path national trail)	Workers	Limited opportunity for sub-dividing site due to
Riverside Park		small size
Recreation ground		New planting to contain site would be effective
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Thames	Large offices	Screening views of large office buildings, possibly
Church	Thames Path is a national trail	from Thames Path and conservation area
Wallingford Castle meadows within Wallingford		Possibly screening views to river
Conservation Area		
Howbery Park		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Setting for offices	
	Thames Path is a national trail	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Medium
Visual sensitivity score:	·	-
Medium		
Additional comments:		

## LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Post and wire	Some traffic noise
	Post and rail	Fairly tranquil
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors
None	No	Solar panels and large building
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	No	Possible security lights
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Solar farm	Wallingford Conservation Area – across Thames to west	
Northern part of site currently used for storage of		
gravel / soils		
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belts (poplars) to northern edge	Water meadows	
	Wellingtonia trees, both within the	
	Wallingford Conservation Area Character Area 10: The	
	northern approaches: Wallingford Bridge, the cemetery	
	and Castle Street	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Young hedge planted to northern boundary	Solar farm	No
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	No
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	Nearby to south
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	None	Enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
None	None	Simple small irregular
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	· •
Osprey on W of site	None	

Natural factors Cultural factors Perceptual features Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: None Other information Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Medium / Low Medium Medium / Low Landscape sensitivity score: Medium / Low **Additional comments:** 

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

#### Adjacent settlement:

Crowmarsh Gifford

## Character of the urban edge:

Industrial / Commercial

## Presence in a floodplain:

Yes FZ 2 0.5ha to W edge of site

## Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

The Wallingford Conservation Area appraisal states that the green open spaces on the eastern bank of the Thames (probably including CRO4) are important in establishing a direct connection between the Wallingford Castle Meadows and the surrounding countryside, bringing a strong rural quality. Otherwise the site is part of the fields to the west.

## Character of adjacent village(s):

Linear historic core with commercial development branching off to the north and modern housing widening the historic linear form and spreading to the east of the A4074. Site extends beyond village boundary – commercial / employment use adjacent to south, east and north.

#### Historic links with the wider area if known:

None

#### Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None

## **VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:**

None

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CRO5 – Land to the rear of Newnham Green	
Site character areas:	No sub-divisions	
Date of site survey:	17.01.14	
Surveyors:	AG, TJ	
Weather/visibility:	Sunny	
LCA:	LCA 6 Central Vale Fringes /LCT Open rolling downs	

# distinctively smooth rounded landform of low chalk hills;

- dominance of intensive arable cultivation with weak or absent hedgerow structure and largescale field pattern;
- distinctively 'grey' and flinty soils;
- denuded and somewhat bleak and sterile character, with few features of landscape or wildlife value;
- rural character with few detracting influences but large-scale farm buildings tend to be particularly prominent in this very open landscape;
- open landscape results in high intervisibility and extensive views

# Landscape designations:

Chilterns AONB

## **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Chilterns AONB – including high ground to south and	AONB visitors	compatibility of mitigation:
east	Walkers	Site boundaries do not follow field boundaries
PRoWs along western boundary, Old Reading Road and	Residents	Very little structure to build on
along Newnham Manor farm track just to the south	Drivers	
Houses on southern edge of Crowmarsh / Newnham	School pupils, staff and visitors	
Murren and at Newnham Farm and the lodge and	Workers	
business units at the south end of Old Reading Road		
Thames Path on west side of river		
Old Reading Road and A4074		
School		
Wallingford Conservation Area on west side of river		
River Thames, including houses, more open in winter		
(short tree belt on western boundary screens some		
views from west - eastern part of site is likely to be		
more visible)		
Site CRO10		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
High ground to north west (within NWD AONB)	National trail (Thames Path)	Loss of openness
Wallingford Conservation Area including church spires	Busy school (within term and open hours)	Loss of views to AONBs, conservation area,
(St Peters and St Mary-Le-More)	Busy road A4074	churches
Houses on southern edge of Crowmarsh / Newnham	Business park	Could screen views to Wilder building from
Murren	Several houses on south side of Newnham Murren and	conservation area and Thames path
Chilterns AONB – including high ground to south and	with the Wallingford Conservation Area	Could create strong landscape southern edge of the settlement
east Didcot power station		the settlement
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
INO	AONB – expectations of beauty	
	The Wallingford Conservation Area appraisal states that	
	the mature tree-lined landscape settings of the 'grand'	
	riverside properties on the west bank of the Thames are	
	'extremely important' to this part of the conservation area	

General visibility Population Mitigation potential and also to Wallingford as a whole. This part of the conservation area is visible from the eastern end of CRO5 Panoramic views: Yes, but not elevated Landmark features: None Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: High / Medium High High Visual sensitivity score: High Additional comments:

## LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	None	Traffic on busy A4074
		School - intermittently
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Didcot power station (to be demolished)
		Green palisade fencing, machines and new
		Wilders building to the east
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	None	Lights of Crowmarsh and security lighting at the
		Wilders development
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Arable eastern side	Wallingford Conservation Area approximately 400m to the	
Pasture western side	west, across the Thames	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Belts to west boundary	Church steeples, including the landmark spire of St Peter's	
	church and the mature tree-lined landscape settings of the	
	'grand' riverside properties on the west bank of the	
	Thames, which are 'extremely important' to this part of	
	the conservation area and also to Wallingford as a whole	
	(draft Wallingford Conservation Area Appraisal)	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerow bisects site	None	Adjacent to western boundary
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	No
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	No
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Scattered individual trees in gardens and school grounds	Open (exposed locally)
	along northern boundary	

Natural factors Cultural factors Perceptual features Other significant vegetation cover: **Cultural associations:** Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern: Simple, small, though part of large field, irregular None None BAP/Phase I records: Features of cultural importance: None None Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: None Other information Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Medium / Low Medium / High Medium Landscape sensitivity score: Medium Additional comments:

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

#### Adjacent settlement:

Crowmarsh Gifford (Wallingford nearby to west)

## Character of the urban edge:

Exposed, raw southern edge of Crowmarsh

Eastern edge of Wallingford is softened by mature trees

#### Presence in a floodplain:

Nο

# Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Part of wide, large-scale landscape south of the settlement, which continues up the hillside to the south east

# Character of adjacent village(s):

Linear historic core with commercial development branching off to the north and modern housing widening the historic linear form and spreading to the east of the A4074. Wilders development creates a loose southern edge to the settlement to the east of CRO5 and CRO10

## Historic links with the wider area if known:

None

## Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None

#### **VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:**

None

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CRO6 – Land at the Murrans, Old Reading Rd
Site character areas:	No sub-divisions
Date of site survey:	17.01.14
Surveyors:	AG, TJ
Weather/visibility:	Cloudy
LCA:	LCA 4 River Thames Corridor /LCT Flat semi-enclosed farmland
<ul> <li>stronger landscape structure and a semi</li> </ul>	-enclosed character around Burcot and to the north of Wittenham Clumps;
<ul> <li>predominantly rural character but with s</li> </ul>	some intrusion of built form around Burcot;
<ul> <li>semi-enclosed character with moderate</li> </ul>	to low intervisibility;
<ul> <li>Flat floodplain pasture</li> </ul>	
Landscape designations:	
AONB	
TPOs to NW of site & N edge	

**VISUAL SENSITIVITY** 

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Limited from school	Residents	compatibility of mitigation:
Limited from Old Reading Road	Caravan visitors	Good
Limited from The St		
Houses within site boundary		
Possibly houses adjacent to northern boundary		
Caravans within site		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Site is very enclosed	Low - very enclosed	None
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	AONB	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low	Medium / Low	Low
Visual sensitivity score:	,	1
Low		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Timber and metal mixed	Road
		School (intermittently)
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
No	None	Site buildings
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	None seen	Houses
Water features:		
No		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Business park/ storage, house	Wallingford Conservation Area lies approximately 1km	
Reclamation yard	west of the site	
Campsite		
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Some trees along Old Reading Road	Not relevant	
TPOs in north part of site		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Conifer hedge to southern boundary	House, Nissen hut , sheds	No
Some internal hedges		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
Small area of woodland in centre of site	Grade II Listed Coach House adjacent to northern	No
	boundary	
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	No
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	Cluster in south west corner of site	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Possibly some trees in rear gardens of adjacent houses on	Enclosed
	northern boundary	
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
	None	Complex small irregular
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
Borders deciduous woodland to E	None	

Natural factors Cultural factors Perceptual features Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: None Other information Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Medium Medium Medium / Low Landscape sensitivity score: Medium **Additional comments:** 

### Adjacent settlement:

Crowmarsh Gifford

### Character of the urban edge:

Site is contained on the countryside edge by vegetation

Relationship between site and settlement not visible

### Presence in a floodplain:

No

### Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Not part of wider landscape

## Character of adjacent village(s):

Linear historic core with commercial development branching off to the north and modern housing widening the historic linear form and spreading to the east of the A4074. Wilders development creates a loose southern edge to the settlement

### Historic links with the wider area if known:

None

### Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None

### Recreational links with the wider area:

None

#### **VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:**

None

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CRO7 – Land S of Newnham Manor
Site character areas:	CRO7A Old Reading Road
Date of site survey:	17.01.14
Surveyors:	AG, TJ
Weather/visibility:	Partly cloudy
LCA:	LCA 6 Central Vale Fringes /LCT Open Rolling Downs

# distinctively smooth rounded landform of low chalk hills;

- dominance of intensive arable cultivation with weak or absent hedgerow structure and large scale field pattern;
- distinctively 'grey' and flinty soils;
- denuded and somewhat bleak and sterile character, with few features of landscape or wildlife value;
- rural character with few detracting influences but large-scale farm buildings tend to be particularly prominent in this very open landscape;
- open landscape results in high intervisibility and extensive views

### Landscape designations:

**AONB** 

TPOs to N edge of site

### **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Chilterns AONB – including high ground to south and	AONB visitors	compatibility of mitigation:
east (except enclosed area in north east of CRO7A)	Walkers	Some existing vegetation to build on
PRoWs along Old Reading Road and along Newnham	Motorists	Some site boundaries do not follow field
Manor farm track just to the south west, possibly from	Workers	boundaries
Thames Path	Residents	
Houses at Park Views and on southern edge of		
Crowmarsh / Newnham Murren - also at Newnham		
Farm and the lodge and business units at the south end		
of Old Reading Road		
Old Reading Road and A4074		
Possible views from Wallingford Conservation Area		
Wilder agricultural machinery complex		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Chilterns AONB -high ground to south and east	Busy road	Loss of openness and views
Small view of Newnham Manor above hedge	Several houses	Screen views of Wilder complex
Didcot power station	Busy Wilders complex	·
A4074 and Old Reading Road		
Wilder agricultural machinery complex		
Business units to south end of Old Reading Road		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	AONB	
	Work place	
	Approach to Crowmarsh Gifford	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / High	Medium / High	Medium
Visual sensitivity score:	•	•
Medium / High		

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Post and rail	Traffic on A4074 and Old Reading Road School - intermittently Wilder complex - traffic
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity – Visual intrusion / detractors
None	None	Green palisade fencing, machines and new Wilders building to the south Didcot power station (to be demolished)
<b>Soil quality:</b> Grade 2	Parkland features: None	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies: Street lighting on A4074 Lights of Crowmarsh and security lighting at the Wilders development
Water features:		·
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Caravan Club site	Wallingford Conservation Area lies approximately 1km	
Arable	west of the site	
Rough grass		
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt to north boundary	Mature trees to river bank	
Large pine trees within internal hedge towards southern boundary		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedge with trees to western boundary, along Old	None	No
Reading Road and hedge remnant running east / west		
close to southern boundary		
Conifer hedge to northern boundary		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	No
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	Currently used as caravan site
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	,
None	None	

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	None	Western part enclosed, remainder of site more
		open
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
	None	Simple irregular
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
Borders deciduous woodland to N & W	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information	•	
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium / Low	Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

### Adjacent settlement:

Crowmarsh Gifford

### Character of the urban edge:

Strongly vegetated edge to the settlement except the Wilder building and surrounds which is a dominant development

### Presence in a floodplain:

No

# Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Transition landscape between settlement setting and open countryside to south and east

# Character of adjacent village(s):

Linear historic core with commercial development branching off to the north and modern housing widening the historic linear form and spreading to the east of the A4074. Wilders development creates a loose southern edge to the settlement

#### Historic links with the wider area if known:

None

## Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None

#### **VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:**

None

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CRO7 – Land S of Newnham Manor
Site character areas:	CRO7B Newnham Manor / Port Way
Date of site survey:	17.01.14
Surveyors:	AG, TJ
Weather/visibility:	Partly cloudy
LCA:	LCA 6 Central Vale Fringes / LCT Parkland & Estate Farmland
<ul> <li>well-managed parkland character with for trees;</li> <li>rural and unspoilt character;</li> </ul>	mal features such as avenues and free-standing mature trees in pasture, or 'estate' landscapes dominated by woodland blocks and clumps of
generally enclosed character with strong	landform, woodland and tree cover;
<ul> <li>low intervisibility.</li> </ul>	
Landscape designations:	
AONB	
TPOs to N edge of site	

### **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
South part of site:	AONB visitors	compatibility of mitigation:
Prominent in views from high ground of Chilterns	Residents	Some existing boundary vegetation to build on
AONB to south and east	Walkers	Some site boundaries do not follow field
PRoWs along Old Reading Road and along Newnham	Motorists	boundaries
Manor farm track to the south west	Workers	
Houses at Park View and on southern edge of		
Crowmarsh / Newnham Murren - also at Newnham		
Farm and the lodge and business units at the south end		
of Old Reading Road		
Old Reading Road and A4074		
Possible views from Wallingford Conservation Area		
Wilder agricultural machinery complex		
North part of site is more enclosed but possible views		
from Chilterns AONB – including high ground to south		
and east		
Grade II Listed Newnham Manor – into north part of		
site		
(NB access to north part of CRO7B is not possible and		
therefore some intervisibility between the site and the		
AONB and Newnham Manor is assumed)		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Chilterns AONB —high ground to south and east	Busy road	Loss of open views over field and towards
Newnham Manor and parkland setting	Several houses	Chilterns from Newnham Manor parkland
Didcot power station	Busy Wilders complex	grounds
A4074 and Old Reading Road		Screen views of Wilder complex
Wilder agricultural machinery complex		
Business units to south end of Old Reading Road		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	AONB	
	Setting of Grade II Listed Newnham Manor	
	Work place	
	Approach to Crowmarsh Gifford	

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
High	Medium / High	Medium / High
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium / High		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Post and rail	Traffic on A4074 and Old Reading Road
		School - intermittently
		Wilder complex - traffic
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Part of former parkland setting of Newnham Manor	Green palisade fencing, machines and new
		Wilders building to the south
		Didcot power station (to be demolished)
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	Trees to northern boundary, edging the parkland setting of	Street lighting on A4074
	Newnham Manor	Lights of Crowmarsh and security lighting at the
		Wilders development
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Arable	Wallingford Conservation Area lies approximately 1.2km	
	west of the site	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belts to eastern and western boundaries	Not relevant	
Parkland trees to northern boundary with Newnham		
Manor		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Conifer hedge across site	None	No
Hedge to eastern boundary		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	Parkland setting of Grade II Listed Newnham Manor	No
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	No
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Trees along south edge of Newnham Manor and possible views of parkland setting	Enclosed northern field, open to south

Natural factors Cultural factors Perceptual features Other significant vegetation cover: **Cultural associations:** Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern: None Simple irregular None **BAP/Phase I records:** Features of cultural importance: Borders deciduous woodland to west None Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: None Other information Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Medium Medium Low Landscape sensitivity score: Medium / Low Additional comments:

### Adjacent settlement:

Crowmarsh Gifford

### Character of the urban edge:

Strongly vegetated edge to the settlement except the Wilder building and surrounds which is a dominant development

### Presence in a floodplain:

No

### Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

North field is cut off from countryside to south by conifer hedge

Transition landscape between settlement setting and open countryside to south and east which extends south and east up the hill

### Character of adjacent village(s):

Linear historic core with commercial development branching off to the north and modern housing widening the historic linear form and spreading to the east of the A4074. Wilders development creates a loose southern edge to the settlement

### Historic links with the wider area if known:

None

### Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None

#### **VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:**

None

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CRO10 – Old Reading Rd
Site character areas:	No sub-divisions
Date of site survey:	17.01.14
Surveyors:	AG, TJ
Weather/visibility:	Sunny
LCA:	LCA 6 Central Vale Fringes /LCT Open rolling downs

### distinctively smooth rounded landform of low chalk hills;

- dominance of intensive arable cultivation with weak or absent hedgerow structure and largescale field pattern;
- distinctively 'grey' and flinty soils;
- denuded and somewhat bleak and sterile character, with few features of landscape or wildlife value;
- rural character with few detracting influences but large-scale farm buildings tend to be particularly prominent in this very open landscape;
- open landscape results in high intervisibility and extensive views

### Landscape designations:

Chilterns AONB

### **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from: Chilterns AONB – including high ground to south and east PRoWs along eastern and western boundaries and along Newnham Manor farm track just to the south Houses on southern edge of Crowmarsh / Newnham Murren and at Newnham Farm and the lodge and business units at the south end of Old Reading Road Thames Path on west side of river Old Reading Road and A4074 School Wallingford Conservation Area on west side of river River Thames, including houses, more open in winter (short tree belt on western boundary screens some views from west – south eastern 'leg' of site is likely to be more visible) Site CRO5	Types of viewers: AONB visitors Walkers Residents Drivers School pupils, staff and visitors Workers	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape compatibility of mitigation: Site boundaries do not follow field boundaries Very little structure to build on
Views out of the site to: High ground to north west (within NWD AONB) Wallingford Conservation Area including church spires (St Peters and St Mary-Le-More) Houses on southern edge of Crowmarsh / Newnham Murren Chilterns AONB – including high ground to south and east Didcot power station	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity): National trail (Thames Path) Busy school (within term and open hours) Busy road A4074 Business park Several houses on south side of Newnham Murren and with the Wallingford Conservation Area	Impacts of mitigation: Loss of openness Loss of views to AONBs, conservation area, churches Could screen views to Wilder building from conservation area and Thames path Could create strong landscape southern edge of the settlement
Does the site form part of a skyline? No	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual receptors):  AONB – expectations of beauty The Wallingford Conservation Area appraisal states that the mature tree-lined landscape settings of the 'grand' riverside properties on the west bank of the Thames are 'extremely important' to this part of the conservation area and also to Wallingford as a whole. This part of the	

General visibility Population Mitigation potential conservation area is visible from CROI0 - particularly the south eastern 'leg' Panoramic views: Yes, but not elevated Landmark features: None Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: High / Medium High High Visual sensitivity score: High Additional comments:

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Post and wire	Traffic on busy A4074
	Wire mesh – to school boundary	School - intermittently
	Chain link – to school boundary	
	Cbf and various rear garden fences	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Didcot power station (to be demolished)
		Green palisade fencing, machines and new
		Wilders building to the east
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	None	Lights of Crowmarsh and security lighting at the
		Wilders development
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Arable eastern side	Wallingford Conservation Area approximately 400m to the	
Pasture western side	west, across the Thames	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Belts to west boundary	Church steeples, including the landmark spire of St Peter's	
	church and the mature tree-lined landscape settings of the	
	'grand' riverside properties on the west bank of the	
	Thames, which are 'extremely important' to this part of	
	the conservation area and also to Wallingford as a whole	
	(draft Wallingford Conservation Area Appraisal)	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerow to east and centre	None	Adjacent to western boundary, nearby to the
		south
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	No
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	No
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	None	

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Scattered individual trees in gardens and school grounds	Open (exposed locally)
	along northern boundary	
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
None	None	Simple, large, irregular
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium / High	Medium
Landscape sensitivity score:	<u> </u>	
Medium		
Additional comments:		

### Adjacent settlement:

Crowmarsh Gifford (Wallingford nearby to west)

### Character of the urban edge:

Exposed, raw southern edge of Crowmarsh

Eastern edge of Wallingford is softened by mature trees

### Presence in a floodplain:

No

### Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Part of wide, large-scale landscape south of the settlement, which continues up the hillside to the south east

## Character of adjacent village(s):

Linear historic core with commercial development branching off to the north and modern housing widening the historic linear form and spreading to the east of the A4074. Wilders development creates a loose southern edge to the settlement to the east of CRO10

### Historic links with the wider area if known:

None

### Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None

#### **VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:**

None

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	GORI – Land at Wallingford Rd	
Site character areas:	No sub-division	
Date of site survey:	20/2/14	
Surveyors:	ВК	
Weather/visibility:	Sun/cloud	
LCA:	LCA 6 Central Vale Fringes /LCT Open rolling downs	

### LCA:

- distinctively smooth rounded landform of low chalk hills; dominance of intensive arable cultivation with weak or absent hedgerow structure and large scale field pattern;
- distinctively 'grey' and flinty soils;
- denuded and somewhat bleak and sterile character, with few features of landscape or wildlife value;
- rural character with few detracting influences but large-scale farm buildings tend to be particularly prominent in this very open landscape;
- open landscape results in high intervisibility and extensive views

# Landscape designations:

**AONB** 

### **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Adjacent roads to east and north	National trail users	compatibility of mitigation:
Icknield Road	Road users	Boundary tree planting
South Stoke	Residents	Internal tree planting
Adjacent housing	(all in AONB)	
Streatley to Moulsford road		
Streatley to Blewbury road		
Ridgeway path		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
North Wessex Downs AONB	Well used roads and national trail	Reinforce landscape structure on village edge
Chilterns AONB	A few residents	Loss of views over site to Chilterns from the
South Stoke		Ridgeway
River Thames valley		Loss of views over site to north Wessex Downs from Goring to Wallingford Road
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No ,	local visual receptors):	
	Open site between goring and South Stoke adjacent to farmstead	
Panoramic views:		
West over the North Wessex Downs		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / High	High	Medium / Low
Visual sensitivity score:		-
Medium / High		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gentle undulations with slope to west	Open to main road	Passing trains (frequent)
	Post and rail / wire fencing to railway line and north	Local traffic noise
	boundary	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors
None	Spring Farmstead	Mobile mast and box
		Electricity poles
		Trains
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	None	Dark skies outside village
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Rough grassland (recently arable – Google Earth)	N/A	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree groups around farmstead	N/A	
Single tree in centre		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Well maintained hedge with trees to southern	Mobile mast and box in north-west corner	No
boundary		
Part hedged along north boundary		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	N/A	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	N/A	No
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
No	Adjacent isolated farmstead and northern extremity of	
	Goring (Cleeve)	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
No	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Large garden separated by hedgerow and trees	Open in general, part enclosed by tree cover around farmstead
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
None	None found	Simple uniform regular field pattern

Natural factors Cultural factors Perceptual features Medium sized BAP/Phase I records: Features of cultural importance: Red Kite None known Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: N/A Other information Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Medium / Low Medium / Low Medium / High Landscape sensitivity score: Medium Additional comments:

### Adjacent settlement:

Goring (Cleeve)

### Character of the urban edge:

Linear development of 1960s on low rise houses in large gardens

### Presence in a floodplain:

No

# Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Similar in pattern to the open landscape to the north and east in the AONB. Contrast with river Thames landscape. Good intervisibility between the site and surrounding landscape

### Character of adjacent village(s):

Historic core with expansion with the building of the railway line and station. Post war development up valleys and along road network also onto higher ground mostly east of railway line

### Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

### Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Not known

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None

#### **VDS** – relevant extracts:

- a. New development should:
- i) respect the existing layout pattern of the village;
- ii) protect existing views to the surrounding countryside and hills;

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	GOR2 – Area between Icknield Way & B4009
Site character areas:	No sub-division
Date of site survey:	20/2/14
Surveyors:	ВК
Weather/visibility:	Sun / cloud
LCA:	LCA 6 Central Vale Fringes /LCT Open rolling downs

# distinctively smooth rounded landform of low chalk hills;

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# Landscape designations:

**AONB** 

## **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Site not visible except through gap between houses on	Residents	compatibility of mitigation:
Sunninghill Road	Potentially users of Icknield Road	Tree planting and hedgerow to link with adjacent
Adjacent roof tops visible from higher ground on		tree groups to the west and east of the site
Icknield Road		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Adjacent houses	Low numbers	Help to screen existing roofscape
		Create tree interface with open rolling downs
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Small open area on edge of village	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low	low	Low
Visual sensitivity score:	•	
Low		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Rolling downland	Open boundary to remainder of field	Quiet area removed from roads
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity – Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	None
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	None	Dark edge of village
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Arable (small extension to larger field)	N/A	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
None on site	N/A	
Trees in adjoining area to the south		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Mixed scrub and gappy boundaries to west and east	None	No
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	N/A	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	N/A	No
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Edge of settlement mixed housing and utilities works	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Rear gardens and trees along Sunninghill Road provide well	Site open to wider landscape but enclosed on
	landscaped edge to village	south side
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
	Not known	Very simple uniform regular pattern
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
Small Blue butterfly on site	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
No		
Other information	·	

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium / Low	Medium / High
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

### Adjacent settlement:

Goring

### Character of the urban edge:

Mixed housing with utilities forming part open / part well treed edge

### Presence in a floodplain:

No

# Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Site is part of the open rolling downs under arable use but enclosed on three sides by the settlement

### Character of adjacent village(s):

Adjacent to extensive area of mixed modern housing north of the centre between B4009 and Icknield Road. Small groups of pre-war houses on Sunninghill Road and off Icknield Road

#### Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

### Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None

#### **VDS**

- a. New development should:
- i) respect the existing layout pattern of the village;
- ii) protect existing views to the surrounding countryside and hills;

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	GOR4 – Area between Icknield Way & B4009	
Site character areas:	No Sub-division (land to front and rear of fire station offered by OCC to developer)	
Date of site survey:	20/2/14	
Surveyors:	BK	
Weather/visibility:	Wet	
LCA:	N/A	
Landscape designations:		
AONB		
TPOs abut site		

### **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Icknield Road (particularly if land around the fire station	Road users	compatibility of mitigation:
is included)	Residents	Tree planting to boundary with GOR 5
Adjacent houses		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
GOR 5	Locals only	In keeping with local character
Wroxhills Wood		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Small site enclosed by settlement	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low	Low	Low
Visual sensitivity score:		
Low		
Medium / Low with fire station land		
Additional comments:		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Shallow valley (not perceived as a typical Chilterns dry	Poor fence between GOR 4 and the fire station	Local traffic noise
valley)	Garden fences	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors
None	No record	None on GOR 4
		Fire station next to additional land
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	No	Local village lighting
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Rough grass and scrub	N/A	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Enclosed by mature trees on almost every boundary	L/A	
Large beech on Icknield Road		
Smaller trees within the site		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
None	No	No
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	N/A	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	N/A	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Adjacent linear development along Icknield Road and	
	Elvendon Road	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Trees and garden open space of gardens make a significant	Enclosed site
	contribution to the setting of the site	
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
Scrubby growth	Not known	Complex small scale irregular pattern
Possible good grassland habitat		
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	

Natural factors Cultural factors Perceptual features Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: None Other information Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Medium (excluding mature boundary trees) Medium / Low Medium High with boundary trees Landscape sensitivity score: Medium **Additional comments:** 

### Adjacent settlement:

Goring

### Character of the urban edge:

Large houses in large gardens with the exception of older property on Icknield Road

Heavily tree covered

### Presence in a floodplain:

### Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Separated from wider landscape by surrounding settlement and associated tree cover

## Character of adjacent village(s):

Settlement spreading up the slopes along minor roads to the east of the village Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

## Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Grassland - not known

Tree cover continues beyond the site

### Recreational links with the wider area:

None

#### **VDS**

- a. New development should:
- i) respect the existing layout pattern of the village;

Site:	GOR5 – Rd between Icknield Way & Elevendon Rd
Site character areas:	No sub-division
Date of site survey:	20/2/14
Surveyors:	BK
Weather/visibility:	Wet
LCA:	LCA 6 Central Vale Fringes /LCT Open rolling downs

## LCA:

- distinctively smooth rounded landform of low chalk hills;
- dominance of intensive arable cultivation with weak or absent hedgerow structure and large scale field pattern;
- distinctively 'grey' and flinty soils;
- denuded and somewhat bleak and sterile character, with few features of landscape or wildlife value;
- rural character with few detracting influences but large-scale farm buildings tend to be particularly prominent in this very open landscape;
- open landscape results in high intervisibility and extensive views

## Landscape designations:

**AONB** 

TPOs abut site

## **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Adjacent houses	Walkers	compatibility of mitigation:
GOR 4	Local residents	Reinforce boundaries with tree planting linked
Adjacent footpath along the eastern boundary leading		into existing cover
out to Wroxhills Wood		Small copses
Short stretch of Icknield Road across gardens		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Rising hillside west of Wroxhills Wood	Path is well used	Loss of views down the valley
GOR 4	Several houses look over the site	Would reinforce existing tree cover
North Wessex Downs on the horizon to the north-		_
west		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Quiet and secluded valley on edge of the village	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Medium
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

## LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Typical shallow Chiltern valley below 65m AOD	Open boundary with post and wire fence to wider	Quiet area with some local traffic noise
contour	countryside	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	No	None
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2 or 3?	No	Dark area on the edge of the village
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Pasture	N/A	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Boundary trees a key feature including several under a	N/A	
TPO at the western end of the site		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Gappy hedgerows to rear gardens	None	Footpath passes the eastern edge of the site
One gappy hedge across the site		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None on site	N/A	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	N/A	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Site is sandwiched between very low density pre-war	
	housing with large gardens along Icknield Road and	
	Evendon Road	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	The large gardens around the site create a strong semi-	Enclosed within valley
	rural character to the site	
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
No	Not known	Fairly simple and uniform medium scale landscape
		broken up in part by fencing and gappy hedgerow
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
Borders deciduous woodland to part of S	None	

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / High	Medium / Low	Medium / High
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

## Adjacent settlement:

Goring

## Character of the urban edge:

Very leafy, well wooded settlement edge with very large gardens

## Presence in a floodplain:

No

# Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

The landscape of the site continues up the slope to the north-east proving strong physical and visual links with the wider landscape west of Wroxhills Wood continuing northwards. A typical Chilterns valley.

# Character of adjacent village(s):

Settlement has extended up the valley sides along the minor roads

## Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

# Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Very likely but not known

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

No

## **VDS**

- a. New development should:
- i) respect the existing layout pattern of the village;
- ii) protect existing views to the surrounding countryside and hills;

Site character areas:No sub-divisionDate of site survey:20/2/14Surveyors:BK	
	aracter areas:
Surveyors: BK	site survey:
	ors:
Weather/visibility: Cloud	er/visibility:

#### LCA:

## LCA II Thames Valley and Fringes/LCT Flat floodplain pasture

- flat, low-lying farmland, typically dominated by permanent pasture with a distinctively 'wet', riparian character (although some areas of arable may be interspersed within the floodplain);
- prone to flooding with distinctive network of drainage ditches;
- comparatively strong landscape structure with willows conspicuous along the riverside;
- intimate, pastoral, tranquil and quite remote character with some 'arcadian' qualities along the Thames close to settlements and riverside parklands;
- generally low intervisibility, although views along the river corridor may be possible in some more sparsely vegetated areas

# Landscape designations:

**AONB** 

## **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Gatehampton Road	Road users	compatibility of mitigation:
Track west of the railway line	Walkers	Additional boundary planting
Footpath from Gatehampton to Great Chalk Wood	Local residents	
Open access land up at the Holies above Streatley	Train passengers	
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
North Wessex Downs hills	Popular routes	Loss of views over the site to the hills
Chiltern hills	A few residents	
Over the river Thames riparian landscape		
Edge of Goring		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Edge of settlement paddocks in the river floodplain	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium / High	Medium / High
Visual sensitivity score:	·	-
Medium / High		
Additional comments:		

# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
flat	Post and rail fencing subdividing site and along northern	Very regular passing trains
	boundary to adjacent house	Local traffic noise
	Post and wire to railway line	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Not evident	Minor intrusion from railway line
		Passing trains
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	None	Dark edge of village
In Mineral Consultation Area		
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area: Within the riparian valley setting of	
Pasture	Gatehampton Conservation Area	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Individual trees on the boundaries	Open fields	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerow to Gatehampton Road with hedgerow trees	None	On road linking local footpaths
Hedgerow along southern boundary		·
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	N/A	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	N/A	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Within open landscape gap between Goring and	
	Gatehampton	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Generally not applicable except for small open garden	Semi-enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
-	Not known	Simple small scale uniform and rectangular pattern
		subdivided into paddocks
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	·
None	None	

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Medium
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

## Adjacent settlement:

Goring to north

Gatehampton hamlet to the south

## Character of the urban edge:

Low rise linear development extending south from the station

## Presence in a floodplain:

No

## Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Part of open field pattern within this part of the Thames Valley floodplain

Modified by use as paddocks

Railway line separates the site from the immediate setting of the river

Gatehampton road and the hedgerow separate the site from the open downs to the east

## Character of adjacent village(s):

Gatehampton is a loose knit collection of rural buildings

This sharply contrasts with the typical late 20C housing on Gatehampton Road

## Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

# Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None

#### VDS:

- a. New development should:
- i) respect the existing layout pattern of the village;
- ii) protect existing views to the surrounding countryside and hills;

Site:	GORII – Land at Manor Rd	
Site character areas:	Site divided into two area A and B (see Figure GOR 11.1)	
Date of site survey:	20/2/14	
Surveyors:	ВК	
Weather/visibility:	Sun / cloud	

#### LCA:

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- generally low intervisibility, although views along the river corridor may be possible in some more sparsely vegetated areas

## Landscape designations:

**AONB** 

Cluster of TPOs on NE border

## **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Fracks / footpaths leading south-west from Manor	Walkers	compatibility of mitigation:
Road to the river	Residents	Retention and enhancement of boundary planting
Frack / footpath from Manor Road to Gatehampton	Road users	New tree planting to GOR IIB
Manor	Rail travellers	
Adjacent houses		
Trains (GOR IIB)		
North Wessex Downs and Chilterns (GOR 11B)		
Towpath to south-west (GOR 11B)		
Manor Road (GOR 11A)		
Gatehampton Road (GOR 11B)		
The Grotto listed building (GOR 11B)		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
North Wessex Downs and Chiltern hills	Very well used footpath network	Loss of views over the site to the river valley and
Adjacent housing	Local community	the AONB hills (GOR 11B)
River Thames valley floor		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	GOR IIA appears as part of the settlement edge	
	GOR IIB appears as open countryside beyond the village	
Panoramic views:		
Of Chilterns and North Wessex Downs hills from		
GOR IIB		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
GOR I I A Medium	GOR IIA Medium	GOR I I A Low
GOR I I B High	GOR IIB Medium / High	GOR IIB Medium / High
Visual sensitivity score:		•
GOR IIA Medium / Low		
GOR IIB Medium / High		
Additional comments:		
GOR IIB Medium / High		

## LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Post and wire fence to Manor Road and the footpath /	Local traffic
	track leading to Gatehampton Manor	Regular trains passing (GOR 11B)
	Post and wire fence to railway line (GOR 11B)	
	Chain-link fencing (GOR 11B)	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
none	Not evident	Passing trains
		Some rail infrastructure
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2/3?	None	Edge of village lighting in GOR IIA
In Mineral Consultation Area		Darker skies to GOR IIB
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Pasture (GOR 11A)	Site separated from Gatehampton Conservation Area by	
Arable (GOR IIB)	railway line	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Mature trees in boundary with gardens and lines of	N/A	
trees along Manor Road (GOR IIA)		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Gappy hedgerow with trees separated IIA from IIB	None	Footpaths pass both areas
Garden hedges		
Remains of hedgerow along Manor Road (GOR 11A)		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	N/A	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	N/A	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	GOR IIA adjoins are area of 20C expansion of large	
	houses on large plots. GOR I la lies within the current	
	southern extent of Goring	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Large gardens and trees soften the settlement edge	Enclosed (GOR IIA)

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Natural factors Cultural factors Perceptual features Very open (GOR IIB) Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern: Other significant vegetation cover: **Cultural associations:** Medium scale simple rectangular pattern None Not known **BAP/Phase I records:** Features of cultural importance: Deciduous woodland across road to west None Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: None Other information Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: GOR IIA Medium / High GOR IIA Medium GOR IIA Medium GOR IIB Medium / Low GOR IIB Medium / Low GOR IIB Medium Landscape sensitivity score: GOR IIA Medium GOR IIB Medium / Low Additional comments:

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

## Adjacent settlement:

Goring

## Character of the urban edge:

Back gardens broken up by trees break up settlement edge of large houses

## Presence in a floodplain:

Yes I.2ha in FZ 2 & Iha in FZ3

Flood zone was free of water at the time of the site visit when flooding was severe and the area by the river under water

## Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

GOR IIA is separated from the wider landscape by the south-eastern boundary vegetation

## Character of adjacent village(s):

Extensive area of sequential housing development between the railway line and river

## Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

# Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Not known

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

Adjacent footpaths are part of an extensive Chiltern footpath system including the river towpath

#### **VDS**

- a. New development should:
- i) respect the existing layout pattern of the village;
- ii) protect existing views to the surrounding countryside and hills;

Site:	NET3 – Fields to W & S of Nettlebed Service Station	
Site character areas:	No sub-division	
Date of site survey:	21/2/14	
Surveyors:	BK	
Weather/visibility:	Sun / cloud	

#### LCA:

## LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys/LCT Semi-enclosed dipslope

- typically level or more gently sloping ground;
- comparatively open fields contained within a strong structure of woods, hedgerows or trees to form a loose mosaic;
- dominance of arable cultivation;
- strong structure of woods and hedgerows generally provides visual containment and results in moderate to low intervisibility;
- distinctive pattern of winding rural roads, irregular field boundaries and scattered rural settlements, typical of 'ancient countryside';
- Generally rural and unspoilt character but with some 'suburbanising' influences within rural settlements and along main roads (eg. A4074, A4130), and localised intrusion of built development and power lines (eg. around Sonning Common and Caversham)

## Landscape designations:

**AONB** 

Adjacent to Nettlebed Conservation Area

# **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
A4130 as it passes the petrol filling station	Road users	compatibility of mitigation:
Petrol filling station and garage	Local community	Retain extensive tree cover around the site
Adjacent farm and farmhouse	Walkers	Infill tree planting to enclose the site
Footpath leading from the High Street south to the		
Bothy		
Western end of Nettlebed Conservation Area		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
A4130	Road is well used	Would complement existing tree cover
	Local paths and High Street are popular with locals	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No .	local visual receptors):	
	Transition area of open land closely aligned to the garage	
	and A4130 but beyond the village	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium	Low
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

## LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat and on the plateau occupied by Nettled	Car park fenced on southern edge to newly planted area	Traffic noise
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Site is part of the landscape setting of the farmhouse	Passing traffic on A4130
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Local lighting from petrol station
		Otherwise on dark edge of village
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Part area of young tree planting / part grassland / part	Nettlebed	
tree cover		
Car parking area west of the petrol station		
Garden landscape to adjacent farmhouse may extend		
into eastern part of site (not visible)		
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Individual mature trees on site	Tree cover on the site frames the western edge of the	
Dense mature belts along the southern and western	Conservation Area	
boundary and along the A4130		
Tree belt along rear of garage		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Young hedgerow to southern edge of car parking area	Hardstanding for car park	No
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	Yes – adjacent farmhouse	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	N/A	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Large central historic core with small scale modern	
	development	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Large private garden to the rear of the farmhouse appears	Enclosed site
	to extend into the east end of the site	
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:

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Natural factors Cultural factors Perceptual features Young planting Not known Complex small scale pattern of different land uses BAP/Phase I records: Features of cultural importance: N/A None Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: Other information Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Medium Medium / High Medium / Low Landscape sensitivity score: Medium Additional comments:

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

## Adjacent settlement:

Nettlebed

## Character of the urban edge:

Village character

The Conservation Area and in particular the listed farmhouse form the settlement edge, softened by mature trees. Existing petrol station and garage appear beyond the current village edge

## Presence in a floodplain:

No

## Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Separated from the wider landscape by mature tree belts and the diverse character of the site itself

# Character of adjacent village(s):

Largely linear historic village core with small extensions on higher plateau

Village closely associated with Joyce Grove (Sue Ryder Home) and the Nettlebed Common

## Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

## Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Continuation of tree cover

## Recreational links with the wider area:

NI/A

#### **VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:**

N/A

Site:	NET5 – Sue Ryder Home
Site character areas:	No sub division
Date of site survey:	26/2/14
Surveyors:	BK
Weather/visibility:	Sun /cloud

# LCA: LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys/LCT Wooded dipslope

- distinctive landform of plateaux dissected by a network of shallow, dry valleys;
- heavily wooded character, including extensive stands of ancient, semi-natural broadleaved woodland, mature beechwoods and more recent plantations;
- strong structure of woodland and complex landform creates an intimate and enclosed character with a particular feeling of secrecy in some valleys;
- distinctive pattern of winding rural roads, irregular field boundaries and scattered rural settlements, typical of 'ancient countryside';
- generally rural and unspoilt character with only localised suburbanising influences within villages, along road corridors or around the fringes of the main settlements;
- low intervisibility

## Landscape designations:

**AONB** 

Grade II listed building

Setting of Nettlebed Conservation Area

## **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
B481 to Highmoor	Visitors to nursing home	compatibility of mitigation:
To tree boundary of the site from A4130	Walkers	Additional parkland planting in appropriate
To gate from east end of High Street	Main and local road users	locations
Footpaths to the south and west leading south from	Local community	
High Street to The Bothy and across fields to	,	
Deadman's lane		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Through gates to east end of High Street	Busy roads and popular walks	Risk of closing down key views and vistas
Through gates to woodland along B481	Many visitors and residents and staff at the Home	Erosion of integrity of the parkland
Through designed vistas to open countryside to the		
south-west and south		
To open countryside on site boundaries		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Extensive designed parkland with important historic	
	buildings including the main house and ancillary buildings	
	and landscape garden features	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
Main house		
Lodge and gates		
Kitchen garden north of the site		
Significant individual trees		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / High	Medium / High	Medium
Visual sensitivity score:	•	•
Medium / High		
Additional comments:		

## LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
On plateau	Parkland railings	Local traffic only
Landform is very undulating with designed terraces,	Ornamental railings with ornamental gates	
sunken areas and mounds		
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Parkland associated with Joyce Grove – no historic	Car parking
	records found	
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	Landform	Lighting to Home
	Tree planting	Adjacent village lighting
	Terraces and sunken area	In dark area
	Walls, ornaments	
	Lodge	
	Gates	
Water features:		
Designed pond within gardens to the house		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Main building and several ancillary buildings	South of Nettlebed Conservation Area	
Grassland		
Car parking		
Ancillary working areas		
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Extensive tree belts and individual trees (key feature)	Woodland cover and parkland trees	
	Gates and ornamental railings at east end of High Street	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Some boundary hedgerows and internal formal hedges	Main house	Footpath runs along western side of the site
	Ancillary historic buildings	
	Ancillary working buildings	
	Kitchen garden walls	
	Sundry other hard landscape features	
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
Several wooded areas within parkland setting	Setting of main house Grade II	N/A
		Adjacent to Registered Common
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
No	Not found	Outdoor seating areas for the Home
Common land: Adjacent common land: Nettlebed common lies to the east of the site boundary	Settlement pattern: Historic linear village core on plateau with small extensions	
Heathland: Possible as heathland found on common	Contribution of private gardens to landscape character:  Northern edge abuts rear gardens of houses along the High Street	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of openness/enclosure: Enclosed by high tree cover
Other significant vegetation cover: Garden planting	Cultural associations: House built for Robert Fleming, merchant banker. Passed to Peter Fleming, explorer and writer, husband of Celia Johnson, actress, and brother of lan Fleming, writer of "James Bond" novels.	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern: Complex large scale parkland with variation in landform, land use, planting cover and scale of open spaces
BAP/Phase I records: Not known	Features of cultural importance: House and ancillary buildings No records for the parkland found	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: Local Wildlife Site in northern part of site	·	
Other information		
Sensitivity score: High	Sensitivity score: High	Sensitivity score: Medium / High
Landscape sensitivity score: High Additional comments:	·	

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

Adjacent settlement:

Nettlebed

Character of the urban edge:

Historic core of the village

Presence in a floodplain:

No

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Contrast with open landscape of the adjacent fields

Typical of the wooded dipslope

Parkland character is a feature of the character area

Character of adjacent village(s):

Central linear historic core with very small modern estates on the fringes of the village

Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known but worth investigating

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Woodland cover

Recreational links with the wider area:

N/A

**VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:** 

N/A

Site:	WHEI – Land to rear of Wheatley Garden Centre
Site character areas:	No sub-divisions
Date of site survey:	07.02.14
Surveyors:	AG, TJ
Weather/visibility:	Sunny/good
LCA:	LCA   Oxford Heights/LCT Open farmed hills and valleys
<ul> <li>Rolling landform of hills and valleys</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Large scale mostly arable farmland</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Rectilinear fields with hedgerows</li> </ul>	
Weak hedgerow structure with few hedgerow trees	
Open exposed character with prominent skylines and hillsides; and high intervisibility	
Mainly rural character	
<ul> <li>Localised intrusion from M40/A40, power lines and development</li> </ul>	

# **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
A40	Customers of commercial premises in the vicinity	compatibility of mitigation:
Farm shop / garden centre	Motorists on A40, London Road and Old London Road	Good – existing vegetation could be utilised and
High ground to south	Pedestrians on London Road, Old London Road and	enhanced
Old London Road	PRoW	
PRoW within site and to the east, along River Thame Site WHE2	A minority of residents of Old London Road	
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Chilterns (to east, across vale)	Busy roads – constant traffic	Loss of some long views
Higher ground to south	Busy commercial premises – constant use during daytime	Loss of skyline
Commercial premises (from eastern part of site)	by staff and customers	
River Thame to east		
Oxford Brookes university tower block		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
Yes, from the south	local visual receptors):	
	Gap between Wheatley and A40	
Panoramic views:		
None		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / High	Medium	Medium / Low
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

## LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gently sloping	Chain link fence	Noise from busy roads
	Post and wire fence	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors
None	None	A40 traffic
		Electricity pylons (one on site)
		Oxford Brookes tower block
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity – Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2/4	None	Street lighting
Water features:		
Ditch along southern boundary		
River Thame approx. 200m to east		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Farm shop / garden centre	None	
Mown grass		
Plantation in the north (Christmas trees)		
Rough grass		
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt including possible veteran oak to south	N/A	
western boundary		
Conifers within site		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
None	Farm shop building	Yes
	Polytunnels	
	Agricultural sheds	
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
Conifer (Christmas tree) plantation	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None within site, but adjacent River Thame corridor	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	Cluster in south eastern corner	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	None	

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
		Open at eastern end, more enclosed at western
		end
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	Seasonal association – Christmas trees	Regular, medium, simple
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Low	Low / Medium
Landscape sensitivity score:		<u> </u>
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

## Adjacent settlement:

Wheatley

## Character of the urban edge:

The main core of the village is well vegetated at the eastern end, though the commercial / retail / light industrial development is open and raw

# Presence in a floodplain:

South eastern corner borders FZ 2 & 3 to S. Part in FZ 2 & 3

## Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Continuity with countryside to the east and part of landscape setting to the River Thame corridor. Continuity with WHE2 adjacent to west.

## Character of adjacent village(s):

Historic linear core on lower slopes of an east / west valley. Modern development has expanded, largely to the south and east and contained on the north by the A40. Separated by open fields to the south west is the largely modern Littleworth. Separated by open fields to the east is an area of predominantly commercial / light industrial / retail development.

## Historic links with the wider area if known:

None known

## Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None known

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None known

#### **VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:**

Wheatley Parish Plan - Improvements to the existing network of off-road public footpaths and the provision of some new ones in strategic places

Site:	WHE2 – Land to London Rd		
Site character areas:	No sub-divisions		
Date of site survey:	07.02.14		
Surveyors:	AG, TJ		
Weather/visibility:	Sunny/good		
LCA:	LCA   Oxford Heights/LCT Open farmed hills and valleys		
<ul> <li>Rolling landform of hills and valleys</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>Large scale mostly arable farmland</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>Rectilinear fields with hedgerows</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>Weak hedgerow structure with few hedgerow tree</li> </ul>	es s		
Open exposed character with prominent skylines and hillsides; and high intervisibility			
<ul> <li>Mainly rural character</li> </ul>	Mainly rural character		
<ul> <li>Localised intrusion from M40/A40, power lines and</li> </ul>	Localised intrusion from M40/A40, power lines and development		

# Landscape designations:

Within Green Belt

# **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
A40	Motorists	compatibility of mitigation:
Houses	Pedestrians on Old London Road	Good – existing vegetation could be utilised and
Old London Road	Residents	enhanced
Site WHEI		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
A40	Busy roads	Loss of skyline
Possible longer views from higher ground	Small number of houses	
Oxford Brookes University tower block to north-west		
Wheatley		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
Yes, from northern edge of Wheatley	local visual receptors):	
	Edge of Wheatley	
	Gap between Wheatley and A40	
Panoramic views:		
Unknown		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low / Medium	Low	Low / Medium
Visual sensitivity score:	<del>-</del>	•
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		
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# LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Sloping, with risen area towards eastern end	Chain link fence	Noise from busy roads
	Post and rail fence	
	Post and wire fence	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Traffic on A40
		Electricity pylons
		Oxford Brookes University tower block
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	None	A40
		Wheatley
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Short grass – possibly hay meadow	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Southern boundary	None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerow to A40, eastern boundary, northern	None	None
boundary		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	None	Partially enclosed – more open on higher ground
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
None	None known	Regular, simple, small
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None known	

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Natural factors Cultural factors Perceptual features Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: None Other information Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Medium Low Low Landscape sensitivity score: Medium / Low **Additional comments:** 

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

## Adjacent settlement:

Wheatley

## Character of the urban edge:

The main core of the village is well vegetated at the eastern end, though the commercial / retail / light industrial development is open and raw

## Presence in a floodplain:

Part in FZ 2 & 3

# Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Continuity with countryside to the east

## Character of adjacent village(s):

Historic linear core on lower slopes of an east / west valley. Modern development has expanded, largely to the south and east and contained on the north by the A40. Separated by open fields to the south west is the largely modern Littleworth. Separated by open fields to the east is an area of predominantly commercial / light industrial / retail development.

## Historic links with the wider area if known:

None known

## Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None known

## Recreational links with the wider area:

None known

#### **VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:**

Wheatley Parish Plan - Improvements to the existing network of off-road public footpaths and the provision of some new ones in strategic places

Site:	WHE3 – Land N of London Rd	
Site character areas:	No sub-divisions	
Date of site survey:	07.02.14	
Surveyors:	AG, TJ	
Weather/visibility:	Sunny/good	
LCA:	LCA I Oxford Heights/LCT Semi-enclosed farmland and hills (site lies just outside the	
	LCA)	

- Fragmented landscape by roads and built form especially around Wheatley
- Closely related to settlements and steeper hillsides
- Rolling landform of hills and valleys
- Smaller scale field pattern
- mostly arable farmland with pockets of pasture
- Well defined rectilinear fields with hedgerows
- Stronger hedgerow structure with hedgerow trees
- Long views over low lying vale from hillsides and higher ground but generally more enclosed
- Mainly rural character
- Localised intrusion from M40/A40, power lines and development

## Landscape designations:

Within Green Belt

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
A40 – glimpses	Motorists	compatibility of mitigation:
Houses to east	Pedestrians	Good – existing vegetation could be utilised and
London Road and houses beyond – glimpses	Residents	enhanced
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
A40	Busy road but views glimpsed at speed	No adverse impacts
Houses	Small number of houses	·
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Low expectations – enclosed, unused site	
Panoramic views:		
None		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low	Low	Low
Visual sensitivity score:		
Low		
Additional comments:		

## LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gently sloping	Boundary wall to part of southern boundary	Noise from busy roads
Steep along southern edge of site	Chain link fence	
	Close board fence	
	Post and rail fence	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	A40 traffic in winter months
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity – Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Street lighting
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Rough grass and scrub	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt on southern boundary. Individual trees and	None	
scrub within site		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerow buffer planting to north	None	None
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
Woodland adjacent to western boundary	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Minimal contribution of mixed fencing types	Enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None known	Simple, small, regular
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None known	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low	Medium / Low	Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Low		
Additional comments:		

### Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

### Adjacent settlement:

Wheatley

### Character of the urban edge:

Houses along the south side of London Road are set back and with intermittent mature vegetation

### Presence in a floodplain:

No

### Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Severed from countryside to north by A40, woodland to west, housing to the east and south

### Character of adjacent village(s):

Historic linear core on lower slopes of an east / west valley. Modern development has expanded, largely to the south and east and contained on the north by the A40. Separated by open fields to the south west is the largely modern Littleworth. Separated by open fields to the east is an area of predominantly commercial / light industrial / retail development.

### Historic links with the wider area if known:

None known

### Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None known

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None known

#### **VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:**

Wheatley Parish Plan - Improvements to the existing network of off-road public footpaths and the provision of some new ones in strategic places

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Site:	WHE5 – Land at Littleworth
Site character areas:	No sub-divisions
Date of site survey:	07.02.14
Surveyors:	AG, TJ
Weather/visibility:	Sunny/good
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#### LCA:

#### LCA | Oxford Heights/LCT Semi-enclosed farmland and hills

- Landscape fragmented by roads and built form especially around Wheatley
- Closely related to settlements and steeper hillsides
- Rolling landform of hills and valleys
- Smaller scale field pattern
- mostly arable farmland with pockets of pasture
- Well defined rectilinear fields with hedgerows
- Stronger hedgerow structure with hedgerow trees
- Long views over low lying vale from hillsides and higher ground but generally more enclosed
- Mainly rural character
- Localised intrusion from M40/A40, power lines and development

### Landscape designations:

Within Green Belt

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Houses on western edge of Littleworth	Motorists	compatibility of mitigation:
PRoW on eastern edge	Residents	Good opportunities, somewhat complicated by
Unnamed rural road to south	Pedestrians on PRoW	exposure of site to south
Way's Farm to south		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Longer views from higher ground in north end of site	Regularly used footpath	Loss of transition between settlement and gap
Ridgeline to south	Relatively quiet road	Possible loss of some longer views
Windmill to south-east		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
Yes	local visual receptors):	
	Rough ground on settlement edge, providing a transition	
	from the settlement to the gap between Wheatley and	
	Oxford	
	Contributes to the landscape setting of Wheatley	
Panoramic views:		
Possibly from north-western part of site (inaccessible)		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
High	Medium / High	Medium
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium / High		
Additional comments:		

## LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Steeply sloping valley side	Post and rail fence with stock proofing	Generally quiet, light background traffic noise
	Post and wire fence	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None within site	Distant views of electricity pylons
	Shotover House historic garden approx. 800m to the	
	north	
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Glow of Wheatley
Water features:		
Stream along southern edge		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Rough grass and scrub, some tree cover	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Individual trees scattered throughout site	None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerows of adjacent residential properties	None	Yes – along eastern boundary
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
Developing woodland in southern part of site	Site forms part of the landscape visible from the Grade II	None
	Listed Wheatley Windmill	
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Minimal – boundary vegetation is in keeping (mature trees)	Semi-enclosed nearer valley floor
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
None	None known	Medium complexity, small, regular. Subdivided on
		mapping but this is not evident on the ground.
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
Protected species on site - plant, frog & bat	None known	
Deciduous woodland on site		

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / high	Medium	Medium / high
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / High		
Additional comments:		

### Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

### Adjacent settlement:

Wheatley

### Character of the urban edge:

Generally well vegetated but houses along eastern edge of site are openly visible with intermittent garden trees

### Presence in a floodplain:

No - adjacent to southern boundary

## Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Continuity with hillside landscape to the west - site contributes to the landscape setting of Wheatley

### Character of adjacent village(s):

Historic linear core on lower slopes of an east / west valley. Modern development has expanded, largely to the south and east and contained on the north by the A40. Separated by open fields to the south west is the largely modern Littleworth. Separated by open fields to the east is an area of predominantly commercial / light industrial / retail development.

### Historic links with the wider area if known:

None known

### Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Likely to be a foraging ground for wildlife

## Recreational links with the wider area:

None known

#### **VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:**

Wheatley Parish Plan - Improvements to the existing network of off-road public footpaths and the provision of some new ones in strategic places

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Site:	WHEII - Land at Earlywood Paddock
Site character areas:	No sub-divisions
Date of site survey:	07.02.14
Surveyors:	AG, TJ
Weather/visibility:	Sunny/good
LCA:	LCA I Oxford Heights/LCT Semi-enclosed farmland and hills

- Landscape fragmented by roads and built form especially around Wheatley
- Closely related to settlements and steeper hillsides
- Rolling landform of hills and valleys
- Smaller scale field pattern
- mostly arable farmland with pockets of pasture
- Well defined rectilinear fields with hedgerows
- Stronger hedgerow structure with hedgerow trees
- Long views over low lying vale from hillsides and higher ground but generally more enclosed
- Mainly rural character
- Localised intrusion from M40/A40, power lines and development

### Landscape designations:

Within Green Belt

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
House within site	Residents	compatibility of mitigation:
Houses adjacent to site	Motorists	Good, would be in keeping with existing
Ladder Hill (road)		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Possibly glimpsed long views to north. Possibly long	Low	None
views out to east from eastern end of site		
(N.B. Difficult to assess as site not accessible)		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Setting for low density houses set back from road in large	
	plot, with mature trees to road frontage – part of leafy	
	approach to Wheatley from the south	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low	Low / medium	Low
Visual sensitivity score:		
Low		
Additional comments:		

### LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Undulating at western end. Eastern end cannot be	Post and rail fencing	Busy road
assessed as inaccessible		
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	None
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2/3	None	None
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Short grass, private dwelling and gardens	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belts to north, south and west (and possibly to	None	
east) - mainly conifers. Individual trees with vicinity of		
house and garden.		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
None	Cluster of house and outbuildings in the centre of the site	None
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	Cluster of house and outbuildings in the centre of the site	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Trees in part of site, which is a garden itself	Enclosed by vegetation
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None known	Simple, regular, small
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None known	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		1

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Low	Low / medium
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Low / medium		
Additional comments:		

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

### Adjacent settlement:

Wheatley

### Character of the urban edge:

Suburban, tree lined approach to Wheatley

### Presence in a floodplain:

Nο

## Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Separated from wider landscape by surrounding residential properties

### Character of adjacent village(s):

Historic linear core on lower slopes of an east / west valley. Modern development has expanded, largely to the south and east and contained on the north by the A40. Separated by open fields to the south west is the largely modern Littleworth. Separated by open fields to the east is an area of predominantly commercial / light industrial / retail development. Very low density settlement on Ladder Hill as it rises away from Wheatley to the south.

### Historic links with the wider area if known:

None known

### Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None known

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None known

#### **VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:**

Wheatley Parish Plan - Improvements to the existing network of off-road public footpaths and the provision of some new ones in strategic places

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Site:	WHE12 - Land E of Ladder Hill
Site character areas:	No sub-divisions
Date of site survey:	07.02.14
Surveyors:	AG, TJ
Weather/visibility:	Sunny/good
LCA:	LCA I Oxford Heights/LCT Semi-enclosed farmland and hills

- Landscape fragmented by roads and built form especially around Wheatley
- Closely related to settlements and steeper hillsides
- Rolling landform of hills and valleys
- Smaller scale field pattern
- mostly arable farmland with pockets of pasture
- Well defined rectilinear fields with hedgerows
- Stronger hedgerow structure with hedgerow trees
- Long views over low lying vale from hillsides and higher ground but generally more enclosed
- Mainly rural character
- Localised intrusion from M40/A40, power lines and development

### Landscape designations:

Within Green Belt

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Houses on southern edge of Wheatley	Residents	compatibility of mitigation:
PRoW at western end of site	Pedestrians on public footpaths	Good, potentially in keeping with rural setting
Sites WHE13 and WHE14 to the east	· · ·	
(N.B. Difficult to assess as site not accessible)		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Wheatley church spire	Many houses along the southern edge of Wheatley	Loss of some open views
Long views to north and east		Loss of views of church
Surrounding houses		
Wheatley		
(N.B. Difficult to assess as site not accessible)		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
Yes, from north	local visual receptors):	
	Rural setting of Wheatley	
Panoramic views:		
Yes (assumed)		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / High	Medium / High	Low / Medium
Visual sensitivity score:	<del>-</del>	
Medium		
Additional comments:		

## LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Sloping, steep in places	Mixed fencing to rear gardens	Generally quiet, some traffic noise
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Buildings at Oxford Brookes campus visually
		prominent
		Electricity pylons (more intrusive at eastern end)
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Glow of Wheatley
Water features:		
Ditch / spring-fed stream		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Pasture / meadow	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belts to western boundary and within site,	None	
individual trees within site		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Some internal hedgerows	None	Footpath adjacent to western boundary
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Some trees	Eastern end is more open and connected to area
		to east
		Western end is more enclosed but has clear
		views towards north and east from higher ground
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
Scrub	None known	Complex, irregular, medium scale
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
Red Kite on E part of site	None known	

## Landscape Capacity Assessment for Sites on the Edge of the Larger Villages of South Oxfordshire

Natural factors Cultural factors Perceptual features Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: None Other information Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Medium / High Low / Medium Medium Landscape sensitivity score: Medium **Additional comments:** 

### Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

### Adjacent settlement:

Wheatley

### Character of the urban edge:

Mixed settlement edge, with some sections well vegetated and others very open to the houses

### Presence in a floodplain:

No

### Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Continuity with open hillsides to the south and east

### Character of adjacent village(s):

Historic linear core on lower slopes of an east / west valley. Modern development has expanded, largely to the south and east and contained on the north by the A40. Separated by open fields to the south west is the largely modern Littleworth. Separated by open fields to the east is an area of predominantly commercial / light industrial / retail development. Very low density settlement on Ladder Hill as it rises away from Wheatley to the south.

### Historic links with the wider area if known:

None known

### Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Habitat for Red Kite

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None known

#### **VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:**

Wheatley Parish Plan - Improvements to the existing network of off-road public footpaths and the provision of some new ones in strategic places

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	WHEI3 - Land E of Ladder Hill
Site character areas:	WHEI3A Jackies Lane
Date of site survey:	07.02.14
Surveyors:	AG, TJ
Weather/visibility:	Sunny

#### LCA:

### LCA I Oxford Heights/LCT Semi-enclosed farmland and hills

- Landscape fragmented by roads and built form especially around Wheatley
- Closely related to settlements and steeper hillsides
- Rolling landform of hills and valleys
- Smaller scale field pattern
- mostly arable farmland with pockets of pasture
- Well defined rectilinear fields with hedgerows
- Stronger hedgerow structure with hedgerow trees
- Long views over low lying vale from hillsides and higher ground but generally more enclosed
- Mainly rural character
- Localised intrusion from M40/A40, power lines and development

### Landscape designations:

Within Green Belt

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Houses along southern edge of Wheatley	Residents	compatibility of mitigation:
PRoW along eastern boundary and to the south and	Pedestrians on PRoW	Good, by enhancing existing boundary vegetation
east		
Sites WHE12, WHE13B and WHE14		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
High ground to south	Several houses on southern edge of Wheatley	Some impact on character of adjacent part of site
Oxford Brookes Wheatley campus	Local footpath	Loss of church views
Wheatley Church spire	·	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Rural setting of Wheatley	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium	Medium / Low
Visual sensitivity score:	·	
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

## LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gently sloping from south to north	Mixed fencing to adjacent housing	Quiet
	Post and rail fencing	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Oxford Brookes Wheatley campus
		Pylons
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3/4	None	Glow of Wheatley
Water features:		
Possible ditch on site		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Short grass, pasture	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Some individual trees	None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerow to southern boundary	Sheds in west part of site	Adjacent (western boundary)
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	Isolated shed	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Some trees	Semi-enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None known	Simple, regular, small
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None known	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Low	Low / Medium
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

### Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

### Adjacent settlement:

Wheatley

### Character of the urban edge:

Mixed settlement edge, with some sections well vegetated and others very open to the houses

## Presence in a floodplain:

No

## Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Some continuity with countryside to east and south

### Character of adjacent village(s):

Historic linear core on lower slopes of an east / west valley. Modern development has expanded, largely to the south and east and contained on the north by the A40. Separated by open fields to the south west is the largely modern Littleworth. Separated by open fields to the east is an area of predominantly commercial / light industrial / retail development. Very low density settlement on Ladder Hill as it rises away from Wheatley to the south.

### Historic links with the wider area if known:

None known

### Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None known

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None known

#### **VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:**

Wheatley Parish Plan - Improvements to the existing network of off-road public footpaths and the provision of some new ones in strategic places

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	WHEI3 - Land E of Ladder Hill
Site character areas:	WHEI3B Castle Hill Farm track
Date of site survey:	07.02.14
Surveyors:	AG, TJ
Weather/visibility:	Sunny
LCA:	LCA I Oxford Heights/LCT Open farmed hills and valleys
<ul> <li>Rolling landform of hills and valleys</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Large scale mostly arable farmland</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Rectilinear fields with hedgerows</li> </ul>	
Weak hedgerow structure with few hedgerow	trees
<ul> <li>Open exposed character with prominent skyling</li> </ul>	es and hillsides; and high intervisibility
Mainly rural character	

## Landscape designations:

Within Green Belt

• Localised intrusion from M40/A40, power lines and development

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Houses along southern edge of Wheatley	Residents	compatibility of mitigation:
PRoW along eastern boundary and to the south	Pedestrians on PRoW	Some sub-divisions and boundary vegetation to
Sites WHE12, WHE13A and WHE14	Occupants of tower block on university campus	build on
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
A40	Several houses on southern edge of Wheatley	Loss of character and long views
High ground to south	Local footpath	
Oxford Brookes Wheatley campus	·	
Vale to north and east		
Wheatley Church		
Wheatley village		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
Yes, from the north	local visual receptors):	
	Rural setting of Wheatley	
Panoramic views:		
Yes		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
High	Medium / High	High
Visual sensitivity score:		-
High		
Additional comments:		

### LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Steeply sloping from south to north	Post and wire fence	Quiet
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors
None	Possible ridge and furrow	Oxford Brookes Wheatley campus Pylons
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3/4	None	Wheatley
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Pasture	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Small group of trees on eastern boundary	None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerows with hedgerow trees surrounding and within site	None	Adjacent (to western/northern boundaries)
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	None	Open
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
None	None known	Complex, irregular, medium scale, strong landscape pattern
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None known	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		<u>'</u>

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / high	Medium	Medium / High
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / High		
Additional comments:		

## Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

### Adjacent settlement:

Wheatley

### Character of the urban edge:

Mixed settlement edge, mostly well vegetated some short sections open to the houses

### Presence in a floodplain:

No

## Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Strongly linked to the countryside to the south and east

### Character of adjacent village(s):

Historic linear core on lower slopes of an east / west valley. Modern development has expanded, largely to the south and east and contained on the north by the A40. Separated by open fields to the south west is the largely modern Littleworth. Separated by open fields to the east is an area of predominantly commercial / light industrial / retail development. Very low density settlement on Ladder Hill as it rises away from Wheatley to the south.

### Historic links with the wider area if known:

None known

### Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None known

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None known

#### **VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:**

Wheatley Parish Plan - Improvements to the existing network of off-road public footpaths and the provision of some new ones in strategic places

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	WHE14 - Land SW of Sewage Works	
Site character areas:	No sub-divisions	
Date of site survey:	07.02.14	
Surveyors:	AG, TJ	
Weather/visibility:	Sunny	
LCA:	LCA   Oxford Heights/LCT Open farmed hills and valleys	
<ul> <li>Rolling landform of hills and valleys</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Large scale mostly arable farmland</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Rectilinear fields with hedgerows</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Weak hedgerow structure with few hedgerow tree</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Open exposed character with prominent skylines at</li> </ul>	nd hillsides; and high intervisibility	
<ul> <li>Mainly rural character</li> </ul>		

## Landscape designations:

Within Green Belt

• Localised intrusion from M40/A40, power lines and development

Views into the site from:Types of viewers:Opportunities for compatibility of mHouses on southern edge of WheatleyOccupants of university tower blockcompatibility of mPROW to southPedestrians on PRoWGood in northern partSite WHE13ResidentsLess in northern partViews out of the site to:Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):Loss of mitigatA40Lots of housesLoss of long/expansivHigh ground to southQuiet, local PRoWLoss of opennessOxford Brookes Wheatley campusVisual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual receptors):Vale to north and eastVisual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual receptors):Yes, from the northIn a control of local visual receptors):YesPanoramic views:YesLandmark features:	nitigation and landscape
PROW to south Site WHE13  Pedestrians on PRoW Residents  Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity): Lots of houses Lots of houses Quiet, local PRoW View to north and east Wheatley church and village  Does the site form part of a skyline? Yes, from the north  Pedestrians on PRoW Residents  Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity): Lots of houses Quiet, local PRoW Loss of long/expansiv Loss of openness  Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual receptors): Rural setting of Wheatley  Panoramic views: Yes	4! 4!
Site WHE13  Residents  Less in northern part  Views out of the site to:  A40  High ground to south Oxford Brookes Wheatley campus Vale to north and east Wheatley church and village  Does the site form part of a skyline? Yes, from the north  Panoramic views: Yes  Yes  Yes  Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity): Loss of houses Cuiet, local PRoW  Viewer (level of use and popularity): Loss of long/expansiv Loss of openness  Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual receptors): Rural setting of Wheatley	tigation:
Views out of the site to:  A40  High ground to south Oxford Brookes Wheatley campus Vale to north and east Wheatley church and village  Does the site form part of a skyline? Yes, from the north  Panoramic views: Yes  Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity): Loss of long/expansiv Loss of long/expansiv Loss of openness  Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual receptors): Rural setting of Wheatley	ts (lower ground)
A40 High ground to south Oxford Brookes Wheatley campus Vale to north and east Wheatley church and village  Does the site form part of a skyline? Yes, from the north  Panoramic views: Yes  Yes  Yes  Loss of long/expansiv Loss of openness  Visual PROW  Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual receptors): Rural setting of Wheatley	5
High ground to south Oxford Brookes Wheatley campus Vale to north and east Wheatley church and village  Does the site form part of a skyline? Yes, from the north  Panoramic views: Yes  Yes  Yes  Quiet, local PRoW  Loss of openness  Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual receptors): Rural setting of Wheatley	on:
Oxford Brookes Wheatley campus Vale to north and east Wheatley church and village  Does the site form part of a skyline? Yes, from the north  Panoramic views: Yes  Yes	e views
Vale to north and east Wheatley church and village  Does the site form part of a skyline? Yes, from the north Yes, from the north Panoramic views: Yes  Yes	
Wheatley church and village  Does the site form part of a skyline? Yes, from the north Yes, from the north Panoramic views: Yes Yes  Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual receptors): Rural setting of Wheatley  Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual receptors): Rural setting of Wheatley	
Does the site form part of a skyline? Yes, from the north  Panoramic views: Yes  Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual receptors): Rural setting of Wheatley	
Yes, from the north  local visual receptors): Rural setting of Wheatley  Panoramic views: Yes	
Rural setting of Wheatley  Panoramic views: Yes	
Panoramic views: Yes	
Yes	
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Landmark features:	
None	
Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score:	
High Medium / High Medium	
Visual sensitivity score:	
Medium / High	
Additional comments:	

## LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gently sloping	Post and rail	Background traffic noise but more tranquil than
	Post and wire	noisy
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors
None	None	A40
		Industrial sheds
		Electricity pylons
		Oxford Brookes campus buildings
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3/4	None	Wheatley
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Pasture	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt on north-east boundary	None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerows surround site, with hedgerow trees	None	Adjacent to south
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Some trees in rear gardens	Generally exposed and open, though northern
		parts more enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
Possible scrub in north west corner (not publicly	None known	Simple, regular, medium
visible)		
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
Fieldfare present on site	None known	

## Landscape Capacity Assessment for Sites on the Edge of the Larger Villages of South Oxfordshire

Natural factors Cultural factors Perceptual features Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: None Other information Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Sensitivity score: Medium / High Low / Medium Medium Landscape sensitivity score: Medium **Additional comments:** 

### Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

### Adjacent settlement:

Wheatley

### Character of the urban edge:

Mixed settlement edge, some well vegetated some short sections open to the houses

### Presence in a floodplain:

No

## Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Linked to countryside to south, west and east

### Character of adjacent village(s):

Historic linear core on lower slopes of an east / west valley. Modern development has expanded, largely to the south and east and contained on the north by the A40. Separated by open fields to the south west is the largely modern Littleworth. Separated by open fields to the east is an area of predominantly commercial / light industrial / retail development. Very low density settlement on Ladder Hill as it rises away from Wheatley to the south.

### Historic links with the wider area if known:

None known

### Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None known

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None known

#### **VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:**

Wheatley Parish Plan - Improvements to the existing network of off-road public footpaths and the provision of some new ones in strategic places

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	WHEI5 - Land at London Rd
Site character areas:	No sub-divisions
Date of site survey:	07.02.14
Surveyors:	AG, TJ
Weather/visibility:	Cloudy
LCA:	LCA   Oxford Heights/LCT Open farmed hills and valleys
<ul> <li>Rolling landform of hills and valleys</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Large scale mostly arable farmland</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Rectilinear fields with hedgerows</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Weak hedgerow structure with few hedgerow trees</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Open exposed character with prominent skylines and hillsides;</li> </ul>	and high intervisibility
Mainly rural character	
<ul> <li>Localised intrusion from M40/A40, power lines and development</li> </ul>	nt
Landscape designations:	

Within Green Belt

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
A40	Residents	compatibility of mitigation:
Commercial premises to east	Motorists	Some
Houses	Pedestrians on PRoW	
London Road	Staff at commercial premises	
PRoW to south-west	·	
Roman Road		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
A40	Medium	Loss of long views
Chilterns		Loss of openness
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
Yes, from London Road to north	local visual receptors):	
	Part of the rural setting of Wheatley	
	Separation between village and commercial area	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Medium
Visual sensitivity score:	•	1
Medium		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gently sloping, levelling out to south	Mixed fencing of rear gardens	A40 – background noise
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	A40 traffic
		Commercial premises to east
		Electricity pylons
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2/3/4	None	Glow of Wheatley
		Possible lighting of commercial district
Water features:		
Ditch		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Gravel track	None	
Rough grass		
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belts on northern boundary and dividing site into	None	
north and south sections		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerows with hedgerow trees surround site	None	None
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None (appears to be used for informal recreation
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Some vegetation	Semi-enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None known	Complex, irregular, Large
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None known	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low / Medium	Low	Low / medium
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Low / Medium		
Additional comments:		

#### Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

Adjacent settlement:

Wheatley

Character of the urban edge:

Partly vegetated

Presence in a floodplain:

Yes borders FZ 2 & 3 to N and on site 0.3ha

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Some continuity with wider landscape to south

Character of adjacent village(s):

Historic linear core on lower slopes of an east / west valley. Modern development has expanded, largely to the south and east and contained on the north by the A40. Separated by open fields to the south west is the largely modern Littleworth. Separated by open fields to the east is an area of predominantly commercial / light industrial / retail development. Very low density settlement on Ladder Hill as it rises away from Wheatley to the south.

Historic links with the wider area if known:

None known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None known

Recreational links with the wider area:

None known

**VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:** 

Wheatley Parish Plan - Improvements to the existing network of off-road public footpaths and the provision of some new ones in strategic places

#### **SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET**

Site:	WHE16 - Land adjacent to builders yard London Rd
Site character areas:	No sub-divisions
Date of site survey:	07.02.14
Surveyors:	AG, TJ
Weather/visibility:	Sunny, some cloud/good
LCA:	LCA   Oxford Heights/LCT Open farmed hills and valleys

# Landscape Capacity Assessment for Sites on the Edge of the Larger Villages of South Oxfordshire

- Rolling landform of hills and valleys
- Large scale mostly arable farmland
- Rectilinear fields with hedgerows
- Weak hedgerow structure with few hedgerow trees
- Open exposed character with prominent skylines and hillsides; and high intervisibility
- Mainly rural character
- Localised intrusion from M40/A40, power lines and development

# Landscape designations:

Within Green Belt

# **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
A40	Pedestrians on London Road	compatibility of mitigation:
Commercial premises	Motorists	Good
Adjacent houses	Staff	
London Road	Residents of adjacent houses	
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Commercial premises and Asda superstore	Busy	None
High ground to south-west	,	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Low – brownfield site set within commercial area	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low	Medium / Low	Low
Visual sensitivity score:	-	
Low		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Close board fencing	Busy road
	Palisade security fencing	Commercial premises
		Refrigeration units
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Container storage on site
		Electricity pylons
		Large commercial buildings
		Neglected landscape
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 4	None	Commercial premises
		Floodlit parking
		Street lighting
Water features:		
Artificial drainage channel adjacent to access road		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Brownfield site, occupied by scrub vegetation, informal	None	
parking and storage containers		
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
None	None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
None	Shed	None
	Garage	
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	Some houses in a small cluster within the wider	
	commercial development on the eastern edge of Wheatley	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Some trees, mainly conifers	Enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None known	Complex, irregular, small
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None known	

# Landscape Capacity Assessment for Sites on the Edge of the Larger Villages of South Oxfordshire

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low	Low	Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Low		
Additional comments:		

#### Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

### Adjacent settlement:

Wheatley

### Character of the urban edge:

Harsh

### Presence in a floodplain:

access point and I ha in north part of site in FZ 2 & 3 0

### Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

No continuity with wider landscape - cut off by adjacent commercial and residential buildings

### Character of adjacent village(s):

Historic linear core on lower slopes of an east / west valley. Modern development has expanded, largely to the south and east and contained on the north by the A40. Separated by open fields to the south west is the largely modern Littleworth. Separated by open fields to the east is an area of predominantly commercial / light industrial / retail development. Very low density settlement on Ladder Hill as it rises away from Wheatley to the south.

### Historic links with the wider area if known:

None known

### Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None known

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None known

#### **VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:**

Wheatley Parish Plan - Improvements to the existing network of off-road public footpaths and the provision of some new ones in strategic places

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2014 RECORD SHEET

Site:	WHEI7 - Land to E of Wheatley
Site character areas:	No sub-divisions
Date of site survey:	07.02.14
Surveyors:	AG, TJ
Weather/visibility:	Sunny, some cloud/good
LCA:	LCA   Oxford Heights/LCT Open farmed hills and valleys
<ul> <li>Rolling landform of hills and valleys</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Large scale mostly arable farmland</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Rectilinear fields with hedgerows</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Weak hedgerow structure with few hedgerow trees</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Open exposed character with prominent skylines and</li> </ul>	d hillsides; and high intervisibility
Mainly rural character	

Landscape designations:

Within Green Belt

• Localised intrusion from M40/A40, power lines and development

### **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Commercial premises including sewage works	Pedestrians on PRoW	compatibility of mitigation:
PRoW at Castle Hill Farm to south	Staff at commercial premises	Good – can enhance existing
Site WHE13	·	
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Commercial premises including sewage works	Low	None
Site WHE13		
(N.B. Difficult to assess as site not accessible)		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Little contribution to the rural setting of Wheatley	
	Separation of housing and commercial	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low	Low	Low
Visual sensitivity score:		•
Low		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Palisade fencing to eastern boundary	Commercial premises
		Road noise
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Commercial premises
		Electricity cables overhead
		Small pylons on site
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 4	None	Commercial premises
Water features:		
Ditch on southern boundary		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Short grass	None	
Storage		
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt along eastern boundary	None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Conifer hedge along eastern boundary	Open sided shed	None
Hedges on boundaries to north and south-west		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	Isolated	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	None	Enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None known	Small, regular, simple
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None known	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low / Medium	Low	Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Low		
Additional comments:		

### Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

Adjacent settlement:

Wheatley

Character of the urban edge:

Partly vegetated

Presence in a floodplain:

No

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Cut off from wider landscape by former railway to south

Character of adjacent village(s):

Historic linear core on lower slopes of an east / west valley. Modern development has expanded, largely to the south and east and contained on the north by the A40. Separated by open fields to the south west is the largely modern Littleworth. Separated by open fields to the east is an area of predominantly commercial / light industrial / retail development. Very low density settlement on Ladder Hill as it rises away from Wheatley to the south.

Historic links with the wider area if known:

None known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None known

Recreational links with the wider area:

None known

**VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:** 

Wheatley Parish Plan - Improvements to the existing network of off-road public footpaths and the provision of some new ones in strategic places

Site: BER 2

# SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	BER 2		
Site character areas:	n/a		
Date of site survey:	28.01.15		
Surveyors:	AG/ IDT		
Weather/visibility:	Sunny		
LCA:	LCA 4 River Thames Corridor/LTC Floodplain wetland		
, ,	al species to create a semi-natural, riparian character with developing wildlife value; with some localised intrusion from main roads around Dorchester;		
Landscape designations:	Although it is not a landscape designation the site is within the Oxford Green Belt		

### **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
PRoW	PRoW users	compatibility of mitigation:
Houses	Road users	Good existing structure
Roads (including A4074)	Residents	
Businesses	People at work	
	Café users	
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Chilterns AONB	Local PRoW	Compatible with LCA
Arable fields	Locally prominent from busy road at main junction	Potential loss of views
Houses	Few houses	
Roads	Several businesses	
Businesses		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Village edge	
	People at work's attention is focused elsewhere	
Panoramic views:		
None		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium/High	Medium	Medium/Low
Visual sensitivity score:		1
Medium		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Post and rail fence	Noisy road
		Lorries in layby parking
		Urban edge
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Traffic
		Lorries in layby parking
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity – Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	None	Light glow from village and roads
Water features:		
Ditch on boundary		
Land cover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Young woodland planting	None	
Rough grass		
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
None	None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
None	None	Unrestricted access - used informally as a short
		cut to businesses to the west
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
The majority of the site is woodland	No	none
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of minute modern to law decree	A authoria considiritar Elemento ef
meaunanu:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of

Cultural factors	Perceptual features
character:	openness/enclosure:
None	Semi-enclosed
Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
	Small scale, irregular
TAGILE	Simple
Features of cultural importance:	·
None	
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low	Medium/Low
	Cultural associations: None  Features of cultural importance: None  Sensitivity score:

#### Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

#### Adjacent settlement:

Berinsfield

#### Character of the urban edge:

Raw in parts on north east and west boundary, more vegetated on north boundary

## Presence in a floodplain:

None

## Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Some connection with an adjacent field to south east.

Surrounded to north, east and west by roads and settlement.

Provides a strong, although not extensive, landscape edge at a key entrance to Berinsfield.

Not typical of wider LCA consisting of young woodland planting and unenclosed grassland between two roads

## Character of adjacent village(s):

Modern nucleated settlement built in the 1950's on the site of a former airfield. The village has a main perimeter road circling the village with minor branching inwards and a large open green space at its centre. The principle village centre is located at village's western end. The site is at the entrance to the village at a key road junction where it is locally prominent. The site is surrounded by built form to the north, east and west and is bounded on its north and east side by the entrance road to Berinsfield from the A4074 and on its south side by the A4074 itself. The site is bounded to the south by an agricultural field beyond which is a lake used for watersports.

#### Historic links with the wider area if known:

None known

### Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None known

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None

#### **VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:**

## Berinsfield Parish Plan - July 2009

The results of the Parish Plan Questionnaire:

- 92% said No to building in our green spaces and playing fields, which are regarded as a great asset and is a clear mandate to keep them as they are, with no building allowed
- 59% have said they are not opposed to building that would extend the village onto green field land or would support re-using brown field land within the village that has been built on before.
- In response to the question: 'Should we have designated areas/routes for walking dogs?' 70% indicated 'Yes' it was also suggested that these could also be for walks around the village as power walking is also good for you and if you don't have a dog you could take a friend.

Site: BER 3

# SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	BER 3
Site character areas:-	n/a
Date of site survey:	28.01.15
Surveyors:	AG/IDT
Weather/visibility:	Overcast
LCA:	LCA 4 River Thames Corridor/LTC Floodplain wetland
<ul> <li>complex of freshwater lagoons formed from flooded gravel pits;</li> <li>margins colonised by native plants and animal species to create a spredominantly tranquil, rural character but with some localised in semi-enclosed character with moderate to low intervisibility.</li> </ul>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Landscape designations:	Although it is not a landscape designation the site is within the Oxford Green Belt

### **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
PRoW	PRoW users	compatibility of mitigation:
Houses	Road users	Good existing structure to boundaries
Roads	Residents	
Businesses	People at work	
	Café users	
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Chiltons AONB	Local PRoW	Potential loss of views and openness
Wittenham Clumps (winter views)	Clear views from busy road	
Houses	Few houses	
Roads (including A4074)	Several businesses	
Businesses		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Village edge	
	People at work's attention is focused elsewhere	
Panoramic views:		
None		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium/High	Medium	Medium
Visual sensitivity score:	I	1
Medium		

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
<b>Topography and landform:</b> Flat	Boundary features other than vegetation: Post and wire fence	Tranquillity - Noise levels: Noisy Road Urban edge
Geological features: None	Historic landscapes: None	Tranquillity – Visual intrusion / detractors: Traffic
Soil quality: Ag grade 2	Parkland features: None	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies: Light glow from village and roads
Water features: None		
Landcover and land use: Arable	Conservation Area: None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees: Tree belt to south and west boundary	Landscape features of CA: None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees: Hedgerow to north boundary	Built form: None	Accessibility by public footpath: PRoW along eastern edge
Woodland and copses: None	Setting of listed buildings: None	Open access areas: None
Wetland and meadow: None	Scheduled Ancient Monuments: None	Recreational areas: None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
None	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	None	Enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None	Small scale, regular
		Simple
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
Deciduous woodland beyond road to west	Roman Road along eastern edge	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium/Low	Medium/Low	Medium/Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium/Low		
Additional comments:		

# Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

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Adjacent settlement:
Berinsfield
Character of the urban edge:
Raw in parts on south boundary
Presence in a floodplain:
Yes: 2 and 3 (except of northern tip)
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Relatively isolated from wider landscape
Character of adjacent village(s):
Modern nucleated settlement built in the 1950's on the site of a former airfield. The village has a main perimeter road circling the village with minor branching inwards
and a large open green space at its centre. The principle village centre is located at village's western end. The site is adjacent to built form on its northern and part of its
western boundary with a lake used for watersports to the east. The site is bounded on its north side by the Berinsfield perimeter road (Wimbleshraw Road) and on its
west side by the A4074.
west side by the ATO/T.
Historic links with the wider area if known:
Roman Road
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Ecological links with the wider area if known:
Flood plain
Recreational links with the wider area:
Linked to the wider footpath network

#### **VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:**

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- 59% have said they are not opposed to building that would extend the village onto green field land or would support re-using brown field land within the village that has been built on before.
- In response to the question: 'Should we have designated areas/routes for walking dogs?' 70% indicated 'Yes' it was also suggested that these could also be for walks around the village as power walking is also good for you and if you don't have a dog you could take a friend.

Site: BER 4

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	BER 4
Site character areas:	n/a
Date of site survey:	28.01.15
Surveyors:	AG/ IDT
Weather/visibility:	Overcast
LCA:	LCA 2 Nuneham Courtney Ridge/LCT Open farmed hills and valleys

# rolling plateau landform;

- large-scale farmland, mostly in arable
- cultivation;
- large fields, with rectilinear field boundaries,
- typical of parliamentary enclosures;
- weak structure of tightly clipped or gappy hedgerows, with few hedgerow trees;
- open, denuded and exposed character, with prominent skylines and hillsides and high
- intervisibility;
- distinctive elevated and expansive character on ridges and higher ground, with dominant sky and long views;
- predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads, overhead power lines and built development.

Landscape designations:

Although it is not a landscape designation the site is within the Oxford Green Belt

### **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
PRoW	Residents	compatibility of mitigation:
Houses to west	PRoW users	Linked existing vegetation
Roads	Road users	
Cemetery (within site)	Cemetery (within site)	
Drayton St. Lenard's western edge		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Chilterns AONB	Large number of houses	Loss of openness and views
Wittenham Clump	Local PRoW	
Cemetery (within site)	Local Roads	
High ground to north/west		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
Yes	local visual receptors):	
	Edge of settlement	
Panoramic views:		
Yes - to east (including the Chilterns AONB)		
Landmark features:		
None		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium/High	Medium/High	Medium/High
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium/High		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gently undulating	Post and rail	Quiet
	post & wire	Some road noise
	metal railings (to cemetery)	
	Various to garden boundaries around farm cottages	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Overhead wires
		Some medium scale farm buildings
		Adjacent industrial buildings to the north west
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	None	Urban edge
Water features:		
Stream to south west		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Arable	None	
Cemetery		
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt to west boundary	None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Intermittent along north section of western boundary	Cemetery	Yes – along majority of eastern boundary
and around cemetery	Farm house and barn	
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
Copse around house including some Leyland cypress	None	None
trees		

Scheduled Ancient Monuments: None	Recreational areas:
None	I
	None
Settlement pattern:	
Isolated farm	
Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
character:	openness/enclosure:
Trees / gardens around farm	Open / exposed
Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
Cemetery (modern)	Large scale, irregular simple
Features of cultural importance:	
None	
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium/Low	Medium/High
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	Contribution of private gardens to landscape character:   Trees / gardens around farm   Cultural associations:   Cemetery (modern)   Features of cultural importance:   None   None

# Relationship with the wider landscape/townscape

Adjacent settlement: Berinsfield  Character of the urban edge: Raw edge especially to southern end  Presence in a floodplain: South west part within flood zones 2 and 3  Relationship with adjacent wider countryside: Part of wider fields to east with open eastern boundary  Character of adjacent village(s): Modern nucleated settlement built in the 1950's on the site of a former airfield. The village has a main perimeter road circling the village with minor branching inwards and a large open green space at its centre. The principle village centre is located at village's western end. The site is adjacent to built form on its western boundary and includes a cemetery, farmhouse and farm buildings within its boundary but has the perception of being beyond the settlement limit. The site is bounded on its west side by the Berinsfield perimeter road (Fane Drive) and on its south by the Burcot Lane.  Historic links with the wider area if known: None  Ecological links with the wider area if known: Floodplain  Recreational links with the wider area: Links to wider public footpath network	
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Site: BER 5

#### **SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET**

Site:	BER 5
Site character areas:	n/a
Date of site survey:	28.01.15
Surveyors: AG IDT	AG/ IDT
Weather/visibility:	Overcast
LCA:	LCA 2 Nuneham Courtney Ridge / LCT Open farmed hills and valleys (western end)
	LCT Flat open farmland (eastern end)

#### LCT Flat open farmland (eastern end):

- distinctively flat, low-lying farmland (below 65 metres AOD) occupying former marshland alongside the Baldon Brook on land less prone to flooding and more easily drained and cultivated:
- large-scale rectilinear field pattern with distinctive network of drainage ditches;
- weak landscape structure with few trees, low or gappy hedges, open ditches and fences;
- comparative inaccessibility creates a rural and remote character;
- open, denuded landscape results in high intervisibility.

#### LCT Open farmed hills and valleys (western end)

- rolling plateau landform;
- large-scale farmland, mostly in arable
- cultivation:
- large fields, with rectilinear field boundaries,
- typical of parliamentary enclosures;
- weak structure of tightly clipped or gappy hedgerows, with few hedgerow trees;
- open, denuded and exposed character, with prominent skylines and hillsides and high
- intervisibility;
- distinctive elevated and expansive character on ridges and higher ground, with dominant sky and long views;
- predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads, overhead power lines and built development.

Landscape designations: AONB adjacent

Although it is not a landscape designation the site is within the Oxford Green Belt

### **VISUAL SENSITIVITY**

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
PRoW	PRoW users	compatibility of mitigation:
Houses to south	Residents	Some woodland blocks
Industrial area	People at work	Little existing structure
B4015 to north	Road users	North boundary not defined by hedge, part of
		larger field.
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Didcot power station	Few houses	Loss of openness and views
Long views to wider landscape	Local public footpath	2005 of openiness and views
Industrial edge of Berinsfield including water tower	People at work's attention is focused elsewhere	
Urban edge	Busy road	
B4074	<i>Susy</i> 1544	
Chilterns AONB		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
Yes	local visual receptors):	
	Village edge	
	Timage edge	
Panoramic views:		
Yes		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Medium
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium		

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat to very gently sloping	Close board fences along garden boundaries	Quiet
		Possible industrial noise
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None		Industrial buildings/water tower
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 2	None	Lighting to industrial area
		Urban edge
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Arable	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
None	None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
None	None	Yes - through site
		-
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Some trees in back gardens	Open / exposed
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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None	Large scale, irregular
		Simple
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	Roman Road crosses site	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low	Medium/Low	Medium/Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium/Low		
Additional comments:		
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Adjacent settlement:
Berinsfield
Character of the urban edge:
Raw edge / adjacent industrial area
Presence in a floodplain:
No
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Part of wider fields to north with open north boundary
Character of adjacent village(s):
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its southern boundary but has the perception of being beyond the settlement limit.
Historic links with the wider area if known:
Roman Road
Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
Recreational links with the wider area:
Links to wider public footpath network

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Site: BER 6

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	BER 6	
Site character areas:-	n/a	
Date of site survey:	28.01.15	
Surveyors:	AG / IDT	
Weather/visibility:	Overcast	
LCA:	LCA 2 Nuneham Courtney Ridge / LCT Open farmed hills and valleys	

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- large-scale farmland, mostly in arable
- cultivation;
- large fields, with rectilinear field boundaries,
- typical of parliamentary enclosures;
- weak structure of tightly clipped or gappy hedgerows, with few hedgerow trees;
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- predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads, overhead power lines and built development.

Landscape designations:	Although it is not a landscape designation the site is within the Oxford Green Belt

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
PRoW to north east	PRoW users	compatibility of mitigation:
Houses	Residents	Some woodland blocks
Health centre	People at work	Little existing structure
B4015 to north	Road users	North boundary not defined by hedge, part of larger field.
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Views to stream and wider landscape	Large number of houses	Some loss of views
B4074	Local public footpath	
	People at work's attention is focused elsewhere	
	Busy road	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
Yes	local visual receptors):	
	Village edge	
Panoramic views:		
None		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Medium
Visual sensitivity score:	I	
Medium		
Additional comments:		
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Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Chain link	Quiet
Various to rear gardens	Possible industrial noise
Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None
Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
None	Urban edge
Conservation Area:	
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Landscape features of CA:	
None	
Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
	None
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Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None
Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None
Settlement pattern:	
None	
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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Some trees in back gardens	Semi enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None	Large scale, irregular Simple
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
Deciduous woodland on site boundary to west	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium/Low	Low	Medium/Low
Landscape sensitivity score: Medium/Low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Berinsfield
Character of the urban edge:
Raw edge
Presence in a floodplain:
Tip of north west corner in flood zone 2 and 3
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Part of wider fields to north with open north boundary
Character of adjacent village(s):
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Historic links with the wider area if known:
None
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Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
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Recreational links with the wider area:
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Site: BER 7

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Site:	BER 7	
Site character areas:	n/a	
Date of site survey:	28.01.15	
Surveyors:	AG / IDT	
Weather/visibility:	Overcast	
LCA:	Not within LCA (adjacent to LCA 2 Nuneham Courtney Ridge/LCT Open farmed hills and valleys)	
Landscape designations:	Although it is not a landscape designation the site is within the Oxford Green Belt	

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Houses	Allotment users	compatibility of mitigation:
Allotments	Road users	Opportunities for enhancement
Industrial area	Residents	
Scout hut	PROW users	
Road	People at work	
PROW	Indoor recreation	
B4015 to the north		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Wider countryside to north	A few houses	Possible enhancement
Village	Large number of houses	
Industrial area	Local public footpath	
	People at work's attention is focused elsewhere	
	Busy road	
	Medium sized allotment	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Part of urban area and industrial area	
Panoramic views:		
None		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Low
Visual sensitivity score: Medium		

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Chain link fence	Light industry
	Brick walls	Road
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	-	Industrial area
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	-	Industrial area Village
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Gymnastic centre	None	
Light industry/workshops/gymnasium/scout hut		
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
None	None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedge along access road and western boundary	Industrial units and Gymnastic centre Large scale / 2 storey medium	Yes – although PRoW appears to have been severed from wider network
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features	
Common land:	Settlement pattern:		
None	Part of industrial area		
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of	
None	character:	openness/enclosure:	
	None	Semi enclosed, more open on north boundary	
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:	
None	None	Small scale, irregular	
None	None	Siliali scale, il regulai	
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:		
None	None		
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife			
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:			
None			
Other information			
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	
Low	Low	Medium/Low	
Landscape sensitivity score:			
Low			
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Additional comments:			

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Adjacent settlement:
Berinsfield
Character of the urban edge:
Raw (part of raw edge)
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Presence in a floodplain:
None
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Part of urban edge
Character of adjacent village(s):
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to the east and housing to the south and to the west (beyond adjacent allotments).
Historic links with the wider area if known:
None
Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
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Recreational links with the wider area:
None

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Site: 127

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Site:	127
Site character areas:	n/a
Date of site survey:	28.01.15
Surveyors:	AG/ IDT
Weather/visibility:	Sunny
LCA:	Not within LCA (adjacent to LCA 2 Nuneham Courtney Ridge/LCT Open farmed hills and valleys)
Landscape designations:	Although it is not a landscape designation the site is within the Oxford Green Belt

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Housing	Residents	compatibility of mitigation:
Roads	School users	None
School	Road users	
Offices	Workers	
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Housing	Busy Road	None
Fields to west	Few houses	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
None	local visual receptors):	
	Urban edge	
Panoramic views:		
None		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score: Medium	Sensitivity score: Medium/Low	Sensitivity score: Low
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium/Low		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
None	Post and rail	None
	Chain link fance	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	None
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity – Light pollution/dark skies:
Agr Grade 2	None	None Ponderon, dank skies.
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
None	None	
None	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
None	None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
None	None	None
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Sottlement nattern:	
None	Settlement pattern: None	
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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	None	None
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None	None
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score: Low	Sensitivity score: Low	Sensitivity score: Low
Landscape sensitivity score: Low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Berinsfield
Definished
Character of the urban edge:
Raw edge / adjacent offices
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Presence in a floodplain:
No
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Part of urban edge
Character of adjacent village(s):
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the south and housing to the north and east.
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Historic links with the wider area if known:
None
Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
Recreational links with the wider area:
None

### **VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:**

The results of the Parish Plan Questionnaire:

- 92% said No to building in our our green spaces and playing fields, which are regarded as a great asset and is a clear mandate to keep them as they are, with no building allowed
- 59% have said they are not opposed to building that would extend the village onto green field land or would support re-using brown field land within the village that has been built on before.
- In response to the question: 'Should we have designated areas/routes for walking dogs?' 70% indicated 'Yes' it was also suggested that these could also be for walks around the village as power walking is also good for you and if you don't have a dog you could take a friend.

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#### **SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET**

Site:	CHALI
Site character areas:	No sub-division
Date of site survey:	24/2/15
Surveyors:	ВК
Weather/visibility:	Sun/cloud
LCA:	LCA 3 The Clay Vale / Undulating semi-enclosed vale

- low-lying, undulating or gently rolling landform;
- typically large fields, with rectilinear pattern of field boundaries;
- weak structure of tightly clipped or gappy hedgerows, with few hedgerow trees;
- open, denuded and exposed character, with moderate intervisibility;
- distinctive elevated and expansive character on higher ground, with dominant sky and long views;
- a stronger structure of hedgerows and trees which provide clearer definition of field pattern;
- predominantly intensive arable land use but some pockets of permanent pasture occur, particularly around settlements and in the more strongly undulating areas;
- predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads (including M40/A40), overhead power lines and built development);

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I	Landscape designations:	None

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
B480 and across site to hills to west	Residents	compatibility of mitigation:
West end of High Street	Road users	Tree planting along B480
Adjacent residential property	Walkers and allotment users	Tree and hedgerow to settlement edge
Footpath south of High Street and allotments		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Adjacent houses	Well used roads	Enhance a soft edge to the village
Chalgrove airfield	Few residential properties	
Open countryside to south-west	Local footpath	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Open fenced area on village edge	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium/high	Medium/low
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gently sloping valley location	Concrete post and chain link fencing to all boundaries	Local traffic
65m AOD		
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Not known	Chain link fencing
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
N/A	None	Typical village lighting
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Pasture / rough grassland	No	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
No	None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerow to Marley Lane	None on site	No direct links
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	Yes – open landscape but of little merit	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Linear village along High Street with modern estates along	
	B480 (some estates at right angles to B480)	
	Rural character south of High Street	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	No	Open
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
Occasional scrub on the northern boundary	Not known	Very simple triangular piece of land with little
,		diversity
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
BAP Priority Habitats:	None	
Available survey data:		
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features		
Other information				
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:		
Medium/low	Low	Medium		
Landscape sensitivity score:				
Medium/low				
Additional comments:				

Adjacent settlement:

Chalgrove

Character of the urban edge:

Individual property in gardens with allotments

Small estate to east

Presence in a floodplain:

No

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Some characteristics of open landscape of airfield to the north

Contrast with open fields and edge of village to the south Character of adjacent village(s):

Modern estates to the east

Mixed housing and pub with mixed uses (playing fields, allotments) to the south **Historic links with the wider area if known:** 

Not known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Recreational links with the wider area:

Nο

**VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:** 

Yes - no detailed guidance at this stage

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CHAL2
Site character areas:	No sub-division
Date of site survey:	24/02/15
Surveyors:	BK
Weather/visibility:	Sun/cloud
LCA:	LCA 3 The Clay Vale: Undulating open vale
<ul> <li>low-lying, undulating or gently rolling landform;</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>large-scale farmland mostly under intensive arable cultivation:</li> </ul>	

- typically large fields, with rectilinear pattern of field boundaries;
- weak structure of tightly clipped or gappy hedgerows, with few hedgerow trees;
- open, denuded and exposed character, with high intervisibility;
- distinctive elevated and expansive character on higher ground, with dominant sky and long views;
- predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads (including M40/A40), overhead power lines and built development

Landscape designations: None

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Footpaths leading south-west and north-east off Mill	Walkers	compatibility of mitigation:
Lane	Residents	Limited in this open landscape
Mill Lane	Road users	Opportunity to add to existing hedgerow wih tree
Local residential property		cover around the site
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Open landscape to west	Well used roads and paths	Screening to undertaken carefully to avoid loss of
Open land between Mill Lane and the village	Some residents	general openness in area
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Passing view of pasture on edge of the village	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium/high	Medium	Medium
Visual sensitivity score:	·	
Medium		
Additional comments:		

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	Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
No		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium/low	Medium
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:

Chalgrove

Character of the urban edge:

Loose knit rural character on Mill lane

Views to more modern estate housing to the north

Presence in a floodplain:

No

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Enclosed paddocks on the edge of open countryside
Appears as part of the open countryside, not the village
Character of adjacent village(s):

Rural

Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Recreational links with the wider area:

None

**VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:** 

Yes – no detailed guidance

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Landscape designations:	None	

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Berrick Road and Cadwell Lane	Long distance trail users	compatibility of mitigation:
Shakespeare Way Footpath along Cadwell Lane	Walkers	Retain existing tree and hedgerow cover on the
Footpath between Mill Lane and High Street	Residents	boundaries
Adjacent residential property	Road users	Fill any gaps in this cover
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
St Mary's Church	Well used roads and paths	Potential loss of open views to distant hills
Chiltern escarpment to the east	Few residents	Loss of views to the Church
Hills west of Chalgrove		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Open landscape setting to the Church	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium/high	Medium	Medium/high
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium/high		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gently sloping north-east towards village	Post and wire fencing across field and along northern	Passing traffic on Berrick Road
70m AOD	boundary	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Not known	None
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
N/A	None	Typical village lighting
Water features:		
Stream along north and north-eastern boundary		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Pasture / rough grassland	No	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree line to south-west boundary (conifers)	None	
A few trees on the north-western boundary		
Trees to northern-eastern boundary along stream		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Dense high hedgerow along Berrick Road	None on site	Close to Shakespeare Way Regional Trail
Conifer hedge to adjacent property		Adjacent to footpath leading to Brightwell Baldwin
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	Southern setting of Grade 1 St Mary's Church	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Linear village along High Street with modern estates along	
	B480 (some estates at right angles to B480)	
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Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	No	Enclosed area
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
Scrub along streamside	Not known	Irregular medium sized field with some boundary
		diversity and simple land cover
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
BAP Priority Habitats: Deciduous woodland	None	
Available survey data: N/A		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
No		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium/high	Medium
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

#### Adjacent settlement:

Chalgrove

## Character of the urban edge:

Loose knit modern and older development with a strong tree lined edge to the stream with open space to the north-west of the site Large gardens next to site

St Mary's Church is a prominent local land mark

Settlement very well contained by landscape buffer

# Presence in a floodplain:

Northern edge within floodplain along stream

## Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Contrast with open arable fields in the surrounding landscape

Similar in character to the small fields on the edge of the village including CHAL 5 and CHAL 6 and land to the north-west of CHAL 4

# Character of adjacent village(s):

Mixed age housing

Sinuous indented boundary to settlement, mainly due to course of the stream

#### Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

## Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Not known

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None

#### **VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:**

Yes - no detailed guidance

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#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CHAL5
Site character areas:	No sub-division
Date of site survey:	24/02/15
Surveyors:	BK
Weather/visibility:	Sub/cloud
LCA:	LCA 3 The Clay Vale: Undulating open vale

- low-lying, undulating or gently rolling landform;
- large-scale farmland, mostly under intensive arable cultivation;
- typically large fields, with rectilinear pattern of field boundaries;
- weak structure of tightly clipped or gappy hedgerows, with few hedgerow trees;
- open, denuded and exposed character, with high intervisibility;
- distinctive elevated and expansive character on higher ground, with dominant sky and long views;
- predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads (including M40/A40), overhead power lines and built development

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Landscape designations:	None	

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Berrick Road	Road users	compatibility of mitigation:
Shakespeare's Way	Regional trail users	Tree planting along Berrick Road
Local footpath	Local walkers	Retain existing boundary vegetation and reinforce
Adjacent houses		gaps
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Open countryside south-east of Berrick Road	Well used road Well used paths	Potential to retain village edge character
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Small enclosed site on village edge	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Low
Visual sensitivity score:	<u> </u>	
Medium/Low		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gently sloping north-east towards village	Post and rail fence to Berrick Road	Passing traffic on Berrick Road
70m ÁOD		
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Not known	None
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
N/A	None	Typical village lighting
Water features:		
Stream along northern boundary		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Pasture / rough grassland	No	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt along stream including willow	None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Formal beech hedge to stream on boundary with	Houses in the south-western part of the site	No
garden		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	No	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Linear village along High Street with modern estates along	
	B480 (some estates at right angles to B480)	
	Rural character south of High Street	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	No	Enclosed area
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
Conifer planting along south-western boundary	Not known	Small scale, diverse vegetation
Scrub along stream boundary with some ornamental		Pastoral setting
hedging (laurel)		Irregular
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
BAP Priority Habitats: Deciduous woodland	None	

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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Available survey data:		
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
No		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium/Low	Medium/Low	Medium
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium/Low		
Additional comments:		

# Adjacent settlement:

Chalgrove

# Character of the urban edge:

Dense conifer planting in the main

View through gap to modern house on Willow Mead

Mixed planting along the stream which defines the edge of the south-western village

# Presence in a floodplain:

Northern corner of the site in floodplain

# Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Contrast with open arable fields in the surrounding landscape

Similar in character to the small fields on the edge of the village including CHAL 4 and CHAL 6 and land to the north-west of CHAL 4

## Character of adjacent village(s):

Mixed age housing

Sinuous indented boundary to settlement, mainly due to course of the stream Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

# Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Not known

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None

#### VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:

Yes- no detailed guidance

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CHAL6
Site character areas:	No sub-division
Date of site survey:	24/2/15
Surveyors:	ВК
Weather/visibility:	Sun/cloud
I CA·	LCA 3 The Clay Vale: Undulating semi-enclosed vale

- low-lying, undulating or gently rolling landform;
- typically large fields, with rectilinear pattern of field boundaries;
- weak structure of tightly clipped or gappy hedgerows, with few hedgerow trees;
- open, denuded and exposed character, with moderate intervisibility;
- distinctive elevated and expansive character on higher ground, with dominant sky and long views;
- a stronger structure of hedgerows and trees which provide clearer definition of field pattern;
- predominantly intensive arable land use but some pockets of permanent pasture occur, particularly around settlements and in the more strongly undulating areas;
- predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads (including M40/A40), overhead power lines and built development);

Landscape designations:	None
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General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Footpath across site	Walkers	compatibility of mitigation:
Berrick Road	Road users	Retain and reinforce existing tree and hedgerow
Shakespeare's Way	Regional trail users	cover
Gardens and pond to The Grange		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
CHAL 5	Well used road and paths	Supplementary planting would be in keeping with the site
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Pasture setting to the village	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Medium/low
Visual sensitivity score:	·	
Medium		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gently sloping north-east towards village	Internal post and rail fencing	Passing traffic on Berrick Road
70m AOD		
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Not known	None
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
N/A	None	Typical village lighting
Water features:		
Pond and stream on north-east boundary		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Pasture / paddocks	No	
Oak plantation along south-eastern part of the site		
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt along edge of stream and around pond	None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Several new internal hedges – beech and thorn	None on site	Adjacent to Shakespeare's Way leading to
<b>G</b>		Brightwell Baldwin
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
Wide belt of oak trees along south-eastern boundary	No	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Linear village along High Street with modern estates along	
	B480 (some estates at right angles to B480)	
	Rural character south of High Street	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Large garden setting to The Grange to the north (part of	Semi-enclosed
	the pond in this garden is on the site)	
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
No	Not known	Diverse and complex medium sized irregular site
		divided up into small units by hedges and fences
		with woodland and pasture
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
BAP Priority Habitats: Deciduous woodland	None	

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Available survey data:		
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
No		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
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Medium/High	Medium	Medium/High
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Medium/High  Landscape sensitivity score:		·

Adjacent settlement:

Chalgrove

Character of the urban edge:

Very well vegetated

Separated from existing built form by stream and gardens

Contributes to landscape setting of The Grange

Presence in a floodplain:

North-eastern edge within floodplain

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Good example of pasture within perimeter planting on the edge of the village

Contrast with the open arable landscape

Character of adjacent village(s):

Very loose knit with generous open space and mixed age housing

Local landscape features include the stream and a 'green' area at the junction of High Street and Berrick Road

Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Recreational links with the wider area:

Nο

**VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:** 

Yes - no detailed guidance

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#### **SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET**

Site:	CHAL7
Site character areas:	No sub-division
Date of site survey:	24/02/15
Surveyors:	ВК
Weather/visibility:	Sun/cloud
LCA:	LCA 3 The Clay Vale: Undulating semi-enclosed vale

- low-lying, undulating or gently rolling landform;
- typically large fields, with rectilinear pattern of field boundaries;
- weak structure of tightly clipped or gappy hedgerows, with few hedgerow trees;
- open, denuded and exposed character, with moderate intervisibility;
- distinctive elevated and expansive character on higher ground, with dominant sky and long views;
- a stronger structure of hedgerows and trees which provide clearer definition of field pattern;
- predominantly intensive arable land use but some pockets of permanent pasture occur, particularly around settlements and in the more strongly undulating areas;
- predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads (including M40/A40), overhead power lines and built development);

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ı	Landscape designations:	None

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from: B480	Types of viewers: Walkers	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape compatibility of mitigation:
	Residents	Inclusion of tree belts to screen site
Footpath along southern boundary	Road users	
Housing on Farm Close and Chiltern Close	Road users	Opportunity to soften edge of village
(Views from Chalgrove Field Battlefield 1643 and John		
Hampton's monument screened by intervening		
vegetation but housing might be visible)		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Edge of housing estate to west	Well used roads and path	Tree belts would be in keeping with the
Open land north of B480	Several residential properties	surrounding landscape pattern
Open countryside east of the site	···	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Large arable field on edge of village	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium/high	Medium	Medium/low
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gently sloping north-east towards village	Open boundary to B480	Heavy traffic on B480
75m AOD	Gap in woodland belt at south-east corner of the site	·
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Not known	Views to airfield on passing the site on the B480
		No other detractors
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
N/A	None	Typical village lighting
		Distant lighting from airfield
Water features:		
Southern edge bounds stream		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Arable	No	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt along stream	None	
Trees in gardens on adjacent housing estate		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Formal yew hedge to boundary with The Grange	None on site	Adjacent to footpath leading east to B480
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
Semi-mature woodland belt along south-eastern	No	N/A
boundary		
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Linear village along High Street with modern estates along	
	B480 (some estates at right angles to B480)	
	Rural character south of High Street	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Small back gardens in Farm Close and Chiltern Close allow	Open area but framed by woodland belt to the
	houses to appear exposed	east
	Some tree cover in gardens	
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
Occasional scrub along B480	Not known	Very simple rectangular medium sized field with
		little diversity

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
BAP Priority Habitats: Deciduous woodland	None	
Available survey data: N/A		
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium/Low	Low	Medium
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium/Low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:

Chalgrove

Character of the urban edge:

Semi-exposed  $20^{\text{th}}$  C estate housing with small gardens

Soft edge to south next to the grounds of The Grange

Presence in a floodplain:

Southern boundary lies within floodplain

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Arable fields continue to the east and north of the site

Woodland belts are a feature of the area

Character of adjacent village(s):

Mix of modern housing estate and older large property in large grounds

Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Recreational links with the wider area:

VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:

Yes - no detailed guidance

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	CHAL269
Site character areas:	No sub-division
Date of site survey:	24/02/15
Surveyors:	ВК
Weather/visibility:	Sun/cloud
I CA·	LCA 3 The Clay Vale: Undulating semi-enclosed vale

- low-lying, undulating or gently rolling landform;
- typically large fields, with rectilinear pattern of field boundaries;
- weak structure of tightly clipped or gappy hedgerows, with few hedgerow trees;
- open, denuded and exposed character, with moderate intervisibility;
- distinctive elevated and expansive character on higher ground, with dominant sky and long views;
- a stronger structure of hedgerows and trees which provide clearer definition of field pattern;
- predominantly intensive arable land use but some pockets of permanent pasture occur, particularly around settlements and in the more strongly undulating areas;
- predominantly rural character but some localised intrusion of main roads (including M40/A40), overhead power lines and built development);

Landscape designations:	None
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General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
West end of High Street	Road users	compatibility of mitigation:
Recreation ground to south-west	Pub visitors	Retain boundary hedgerow and trees
CHAL I		Additional planting along streamside
Adjacent public house		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
CHAL I	Well used road	Retains enclosed nature of the site in keeping with
Public house	Busy pub	edge of settlement character
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Small overgrown site	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low	Medium	Low
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium/Low		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gently sloping north-east towards village	Open boundary to public house grounds	Passing traffic on High Street
65m AOD		Nearby busy B480 and Chalgrove Airfield
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Not known	Shed on site
		Adjacent concrete post and chainlink fence on CHAL I
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity – Light pollution/dark skies:
N/A	None	Typical village lighting
Water features:		77
Small stream to eastern boundary		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Hardstanding	No	
Rough grassland/scrub		
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt to south-western, and southern boundaries	None	
Some tree cover to eastern boundary		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Dense Hedgerow along roadside	Commercial shed	No
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	No	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	Adjacent to recreation ground to south-west
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Linear village along High Street with modern estates along	
	B480 (some estates at right angles to B480)	
	Rural character south of High Street	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	No	Enclosed area
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
Garden planting	Not known	Diverse mix of trees, scrub, hedgerows and rough
		grassland with small stream along eastern
		boundary
DAD/Diagram	Fortune of cultival increases	Small scale
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features	
BAP Priority Habitats: No	None		
Available survey data: None			
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife			
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:			
No			
Other information	Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	
Medium/high	Medium/low	Medium/Low	
Landscape sensitivity score:			
Medium			
Additional comments:			

Adjacent settlement:

Chalgrove

Character of the urban edge:

Open grounds of public house set within loose group of houses

Within area of more village fringe uses

Presence in a floodplain:

Νo

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside: Shares no characteristics of the wider landscape

Character of adjacent village(s):

Mixed type of housing

Feels part of village edge

Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Recreational links with the wider area:

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**VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:** 

Yes – no detailed guidance

Site: SONI

#### **SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET**

Site:	SON I
Site character areas:	n/a
Date of site survey:	22.1.15
Surveyors:	AG IDT
Weather/visibility:	Overcast
LCA:	LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys/LCT Semi-enclosed dipslope

# LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys/LCT Semi-enclosed dipslope

- typically level or more gently sloping ground;
- comparatively open fields contained within a strong structure of woods, hedgerows or trees to form a loose mosaic;
- dominance of arable cultivation;
- strong structure of woods and hedgerows generally provides visual containment and results in moderate to low intervisibility;
- distinctive pattern of winding rural roads, irregular field boundaries and scattered rural settlements, typical of 'ancient countryside';
- Generally rural and unspoilt character but with some 'suburbanising' influences within rural settlements and along main roads (eg. A4074, A4130), and localised intrusion of built development and power lines (eg. around Sonning Common and Caversham)

#### Landscape designations:

Chilterns AONB

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from: PRoW (within AONB) Houses Playing field	Types of viewers: Walkers Residents AONB visitors Recreation ground users	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape compatibility of mitigation: Strong existing structure
Views out of the site to: Houses Playing fields School building	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity): Local PRoW Large number of houses Presume busy recreation ground	Impacts of mitigation: In keeping with local character
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual receptors): Within AONB – high expectation of beauty Recreation ground users less focussed on their surroundings	
Panoramic views:		
Landmark features:		
Sensitivity score: Medium	Sensitivity score: Medium	Sensitivity score: Medium
Visual sensitivity score: Medium		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gently undulating	Various to rear gardens	Quiet – but could be affected intermittently by
	Post and wire	adjacent recreation ground activity
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	none	Communications mast
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	none	Light glow from village
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
arable		
	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt to south west boundary	N/A	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerow to north west boundary	none	Yes- links to recreation area
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
Adjacent to west	No	No
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	Adjacent to playing fields
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	N/A	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	SE boundary few small trees and hedges	Semi enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None known	Regular, simple
DAD/Disease I was a suday	Factoria of cultival importance	
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
Border with Old Copse ancient and semi-natural woodland to NW		
Woodland to INVV		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Low	Medium
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Landscape sensitivity score:		<u> </u>
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Sonning Common
Character of the urban edge:
Raw on south east boundary, more vegetated on north east boundary.
Presence in a floodplain:
No .
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Linked to countryside to the south
Linked to countryside to the south
Character of adjacent village(s):
Dispersed settlement built around the two main routes through the parish (Peppard Road and Kennylands Road) and set between two dry valleys. The village has no
historic core with development starting in the 19th century with plotlands development and substantial estate and backland extension occurring in the 1960s. This
development has been undertaken in blocks which reflect the field pattern. The site is adjacent to the built form on its north eastern and south eastern boundaries, but
has a perception of being beyond the settlement limits. It has no road frontage and the only possible vehicular link would be via an unmade road and route of a PRoW
from Woodlands Road.
Historic links with the wider area if known:
None known
Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None known
Recreational links with the wider area:
PRoWs link to playing field and wider countryside and AONB

#### VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:

Sonning Common Character Assessment and Design Statement 2013 (Consultation Draft):

- The area around Sonning Common is particularly representative of the wider landscape character area [though the northern part of the village is described as having an enclosed, wooded character];
- Local people value the way the wooded character 'seeps' across the village;
- The dry valleys to the east and west of the village define the village edges and frame the village;
- Villagers highly value the network of access routes providing links to the countryside and the Millennium Green;
- The two main roads through the village (Peppard Road and Kennylands Road) are fairly straight and contrast with the narrow, winding and steep sided rural lanes that enter the village from the east and west;
- The countryside around the village is characterised by small scale, contained views which occasionally open up to give some open and more extensive views. The intervisibility between the surrounding footpaths and roads and the village makes a strong connection between the built and natural environment;
- The relationship between the built edge and the landscape setting within or at the edge of the AONB is particularly sensitive;
- At the southern end of the village the transition between the built settlement and the countryside is a gradual one;
- When approaching the village from the south the village is perceived to start some way north of the first dispersed housing in the south (i.e at Westleigh Road when approaching on Peppard Road);
- Some edges of the settlement are 'blunt', formed by back garden fencing and little vegetation. Trees are rare on the north western urban edge, and residents value views out to the surrounding countryside, though the sensitivity of views back in from the AONB are recognised as sensitive. The south western and eastern edges of the village are more vegetated;
- Some detracting factors are noted: electricity poles, telephone and power lines;
- Widmore Pond and its wooded surrounds are of historical significance to the village and were once part of Blount's Court Estate and form a gateway to the eastern part of the village;
- In the early development of the village (plotlands) plots were sold at different times, probably by different landowners in a way that 'seems almost random', so that some gaps appeared early on and were not filled in until later or were not filled in at all, e.g the gap along Kennylands Road opposite Hag Pits;
- The document describes the different built form character areas of plotlands and estates and sets out design guidance to inform development.

Draft Sonning Common Neighbourhood Development Plan Pre-submission version February 2015 (not adopted at the time of the Landscape Capacity Study – April 2015, therefore proposed housing allocations are not included): Key issues and policies:

- retain the existing separation with Reading town to the south and Kidmore End to the south west
- conserve and enhance the rural feel of the village and its cherished woodland character
- support infill and backland development providing that it does not have an adverse impact on the character of the surrounding area.
- encourage the integration of soft landscaping in new developments and where appropriate screening from any adjacent AONB.
- conserve and enhance the historic environment in relation to buildings, landscapes and places of local cultural value.
- The edge of the village to the East is AONB and should not be developed
- To the west of the village the aim will be similar to retain a clear edge to the village, which is an appropriate distance from Kidmore End
- Currently the north-western built boundary of the village is mostly rear garden fencing. A principle for the proposed development in this part of the village is to redress this hard, poor quality boundary to the AONB through structured planting and landscaping
- The spatial strategy identifies a number of wildlife corridors across and out of the settlement
- Pedestrian and cycling connections will be provided between new developments and existing residential areas,
- New development should follow the 'plotland' forms of layout and style that make the village so distinctive
- Rear gardens, where appropriate, should face onto the outer boundary
- Key development principles include:
  - o Protect the rural and wooded quality of Kennylands Road

Site: SON 2

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	SON 2
Site character areas:	n/a
Date of site survey:	22.1.15
Surveyors:	AG IDT
Weather/visibility:	overcast
LCA:	LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys/LCT Semi-enclosed dipslope

# LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys/LCT Semi-enclosed dipslope

- typically level or more gently sloping ground;
- comparatively open fields contained within a strong structure of woods, hedgerows or trees to form a loose mosaic;
- dominance of arable cultivation;
- strong structure of woods and hedgerows generally provides visual containment and results in moderate to low intervisibility;
- distinctive pattern of winding rural roads, irregular field boundaries and scattered rural settlements, typical of 'ancient countryside';
- Generally rural and unspoilt character but with some 'suburbanising' influences within rural settlements and along main roads (eg. A4074, A4130), and localised intrusion of built development and power lines (eg. around Sonning Common and Caversham)

#### Landscape designations:

Chilterns AONB

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Houses	Walkers	compatibility of mitigation:
Glimpses from PRoW	Residents	Good structure to build on
	AONB visitors	
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Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Houses	Several houses	Appropriate to character
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
	local visual receptors):	
no	Countryside edge	
	AONB	
	AONB	
Panoramic views:		
no		
Landmark features:		
no		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium	Medium
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Aller		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors  Topography and landform:	Cultural factors  Boundary features other than vegetation:	Perceptual features  Tranquillity – Noise levels:
Gently undulating	Post and wire	Generally quiet
Gently undulating	Post and wife	Nearby school and school
		real by school and school
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Overhead wire
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Light glow from village
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
arable	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
	N/A	
NW tree belt		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
	None	no
SW hedgerow		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	No	no
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	no
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	N/A	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	A few small trees and hedges rear gardens SE and NE	Semi-enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None known	Simple regular
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information	C	C
Sensitivity score: Medium / Low	Sensitivity score: Medium / Low	Sensitivity score: Medium / Low
Landscape sensitivity score: Medium / Low		

Adjacent settlement:
Sonning Common
Character of the urban edge:
Open on eastern boundaries
Presence in a floodplain:
No
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Linked to countryside to the west
Character of adjacent village(s):
Dispersed settlement built around the two main routes through the parish (Peppard Road and Kennylands Road) and set between two dry valleys. The village has no
historic core with development starting in the 19th century with plotlands development and substantial estate and backland extension occurring in the 1960s. This
development has been undertaken in blocks which reflect the field pattern. The site is adjacent to the built form on its north eastern and south eastern boundaries, but
has a perception of being beyond the settlement limits. It has no road frontage but a possible vehicular from the cul-de-sac Lambourne Road.
Historic links with the wider area if known:
None known
Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None known
Recreational links with the wider area:
None

#### **VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:**

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(See record sheet for SON I for settlement-wide issues)

Site: Son 3

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	SON3
Site character areas:-	n/a
Date of site survey:	22.1.15
Surveyors:	AG IDT
Weather/visibility:	overcast
LCA:	LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys/LCT Semi-enclosed dipslope

LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys/LCT Semi-enclosed dipslope

- typically level or more gently sloping ground;
- comparatively open fields contained within a strong structure of woods, hedgerows or trees to form a loose mosaic;
- dominance of arable cultivation;
- strong structure of woods and hedgerows generally provides visual containment and results in moderate to low intervisibility;
- distinctive pattern of winding rural roads, irregular field boundaries and scattered rural settlements, typical of 'ancient countryside';
- Generally rural and unspoilt character but with some 'suburbanising' influences within rural settlements and along main roads (eg. A4074, A4130), and localised intrusion of built development and power lines (eg. around Sonning Common and Caversham)

#### Landscape designations:

Chilterns AONB

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Kidmore End Memorial Hall	Residents	compatibility of mitigation:
Houses	Motorists	Good existing structure
Road	Hall users	
school		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Houses	Few houses	Compatible with LCA
School	Glimpses from road	
Farm		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	AONB	
	Village edge	
Panoramic views:		
None		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Medium
Visual sensitivity score:		1
Medium		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gently undulating	Post and wire fence	Generally quiet occasional cars and intermittent noise from school
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Overhead wire
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Glow of village and school, car lights
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
arable	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Southern, western and north eastern boundaries have tree belts	N/A	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedge to eastern boundary	none	no
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	N/A	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	N/A	

Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
character:	openness/enclosure:
No	Semi-enclosed
Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	Irregular simple
Features of cultural importance:	
None	
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low	Medium / Low
	Contribution of private gardens to landscape character: No  Cultural associations: None  Features of cultural importance: None  Sensitivity score:

Adjacent settlement:
Sonning Common
Character of the urban edge:
Relatively well vegetated- adjacent new housing visible but young planting in place
Presence in a floodplain:
No
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Links with countryside to west and is largely typical of the wider Ica
Character of adjacent village(s):
Dispersed settlement built around the two main routes through the parish (Peppard Road and Kennylands Road) and set between two dry valleys. The village has no
historic core with development starting in the 19th century with plotlands development and substantial estate and backland extension occurring in the 1960s. This
development has been undertaken in blocks which reflect the field pattern. The site is adjacent to the built form on its eastern and part of its southern boundary with
the Bishopswood Farm complex in a rural setting to the north. The western part of the site extends beyond the western limit of the general settlement area towards
the adjacent settlement of Gallowstree Common.
Historic links with the wider area if known:
None known
Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None known
Recreational links with the wider area:
None

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(See record sheet for SON I for settlement-wide issues)

Site: SON 4A

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	SON 4
Site character areas:	SON 4A
Date of site survey:	22.1.15
Surveyors:	AG IDT
Weather/visibility:	hazy sunshine
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- distinctive landform of plateaux dissected by a network of shallow, dry valleys;
- heavily wooded character, including extensive stands of ancient, semi-natural broadleaved woodland, mature beechwoods and more recent plantations;
- strong structure of woodland and complex landform creates an intimate and enclosed character with a particular feeling of secrecy in some valleys;
- distinctive pattern of winding rural roads, irregular field boundaries and scattered rural settlements, typical of 'ancient countryside';
- generally rural and unspoilt character with only localised suburbanising influences within villages, along road corridors or around the fringes of the main settlements;
- low intervisibility

# Landscape designations:

Partly within Chilterns AONB

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
PRoW (filtered views)	Residents	compatibility of mitigation:
houses	Walkers	Good - site subdivided with fencing and gappy
School	AONB visitors	hedges
Kidmore Lane	Motorists	
	School staff, pupils and visitors	
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Countryside to the south west (AONB)	Few houses	Compatible with local character
, ,	Local PROW	·
	Busy school	
	Kidmore Lane is rural but quite busy	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
no	local visual receptors):	
	AONB – expectations of beauty	
	Rural Kidmore Lane	
	School people less focussed on their surroundings	
Panoramic views:		
no		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Medium / Low
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Undulating head of dry valley	Post and rail fences	Intermittent traffic
		Nearby school
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Pylons
		School building
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity – Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Glow of village
		Traffic
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
	None	
Horse paddocks	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt to south east dividing from SON 4B	n/a	
Some individual trees, including non-natives		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Gappy hedge to south western boundary and within site	Stable close to lane	No
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	n/a	None
None	11/4	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	Isolated	i e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Large, wooded gardens to north	Semi enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None	Some complexity
		Regular
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
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Landscape sensitivity score:	1	l
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Sonning Common
Character of the urban edge:
Largely well vegetated
Presence in a floodplain:
No .
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Some relationship with landscape to south and west, though sub-division and current use makes it less typical of the Ica. The site's southern tip drops down into the dry
valley that runs along the south western side of the settlement.
Character of adjacent village(s):
Dispersed settlement built around the two main routes through the parish (Peppard Road and Kennylands Road) and set between two dry valleys. The village has no
historic core with development starting in the 19th century with plotlands development and substantial estate and backland extension occurring in the 1960s. This
development has been undertaken in blocks which reflect the field pattern. The site is adjacent to the low density edge of settlement to north and east but at its
southern end extends beyond the plateau on which the village sits. There is a perception of being beyond the settlement limits.
Historic links with the wider area if known:
None known
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Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
Recreational links with the wider area:
None

# **VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:**

Sonning Common Character Assessment and Design Statement 2013 (Consultation Draft):

- The dry valleys to the east and west of the village define the village edges and frame the village;
- local features including a deep chalk pit in the south east corner of a field to the west of Kennylands Road.

(See record sheet for SON I for further details)

Draft Sonning Common Neighbourhood Development Plan Pre-submission version February 2015 (not adopted at the time of the Landscape Capacity Study – April 2015, therefore proposed housing allocations are not included): (See record sheet for SON I for settlement-wide issues)

Site: SON 4B

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	SON 4
Site character areas:	SON 4B
Date of site survey:	22.1.15
Surveyors:	AG IDT
Weather/visibility:	hazy sunshine
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- distinctive landform of plateaux dissected by a network of shallow, dry valleys;
- heavily wooded character, including extensive stands of ancient, semi-natural broadleaved woodland, mature beechwoods and more recent plantations;
- strong structure of woodland and complex landform creates an intimate and enclosed character with a particular feeling of secrecy in some valleys;
- distinctive pattern of winding rural roads, irregular field boundaries and scattered rural settlements, typical of 'ancient countryside';
- generally rural and unspoilt character with only localised suburbanising influences within villages, along road corridors or around the fringes of the main settlements;
- low intervisibility

## Landscape designations:

Chilterns AONB

Views into the site from:   Types of viewers:   Residents   Walkers   AONB visitors   School (filtered views winter only)   Kiddy's Yard business park   School staff, pupils and visitors   Staff and visitors to business park   School staff, pupils and visitors   Staff and visitors to business park   School filtered views winter only)   Wiews out of the site to:   School filtered views winter only)   Countryside to south   Kiddy's Yard business park   Wisual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual receptors):   AONB - walkers and residents have expectations of local visual receptors):   AONB - walkers and residents have expectations of local visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual perceptions):   AONB - walkers and residents have expectations of local visual receptors):   AONB - walkers and residents have expectations of local visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual perceptions):   AONB - walkers and residents have expectations of local visual receptors):   AONB - walkers and residents have expectations of local visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual perceptions):   AONB - walkers and residents have expectations of local visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual perceptions):   AONB - walkers and residents have expectations of local visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual perceptions):   AONB - walkers and residents have expectations of local visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual perceptions):   AONB - walkers and residents have expectations of local visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual perceptions):   AONB - walkers and residents have expectations of local visual perceptions (activity and expectations)   AONB - walkers and residents have expectations of local visual perceptions (activity and expectations)   AONB - walkers and residen	General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
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Additional comments:			
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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Undulating dry valley	Post and wire	Intermittent traffic
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Pylons Workshops at Kidby's Yard
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity – Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Glow of village
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Arable	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees: Tree belts to north west and south east boundary	Landscape features of CA: N/a	
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Hedgerows and hedgerow trees: None	Built form: None	Accessibility by public footpath: Yes - across centre of site
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
Small area of deciduous woodland in south east of site	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	n/a	

bution of private gardens to landscape ter: n gardens to north east al associations: es of cultural importance: e chalk pit in south	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of openness/enclosure: Open Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern: Simple Regular Medium scale
al associations:  es of cultural importance:	Open  Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern: Simple Regular
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	Regular
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vity score:	Sensitivity score:
	Medium
	vity score:

Adjacent settlement:
Sonning Common
Character of the urban edge:
Largely well vegetated
Presence in a floodplain:
No
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Strong relationship with landscape to south and west and typical of wider Ica though less wooded
Character of adjacent village(s):
Dispersed settlement built around the two main routes through the parish (Peppard Road and Kennylands Road) and set between two dry valleys. The village has no
historic core with development starting in the 19 <sup>th</sup> century with plotlands development and substantial estate and backland extension occurring in the 1960s. This
development has been undertaken in blocks which reflect the field pattern. The site is adjacent to the low density edge of settlement to part of its north eastern
boundary but extends beyond the plateau on which the village sits. There is a perception of being beyond the settlement limits and the site has no road frontage.
Historic links with the wider area if known:
None known
Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
Recreational links with the wider area:
Footpath links to wider PRoW network

# **VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:**

Sonning Common Character Assessment and Design Statement 2013 (Consultation Draft):

- The dry valleys to the east and west of the village define the village edges and frame the village;
- local features including a deep chalk pit in the south east corner of a field to the west of Kennylands Road.

(See record sheet for SON I for further details)

Draft Sonning Common Neighbourhood Development Plan Pre-submission version February 2015 (not adopted at the time of the Landscape Capacity Study – April 2015, therefore proposed housing allocations are not included): (See record sheet for SON I for settlement-wide issues)

Site : SON 5

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	SON 5
Site character areas:	n/a
Date of site survey:	22.1.15
Surveyors:	AG IDT
Weather/visibility:	hazy sunshine
I CA·	LCA In Chilterns Plateau with Valleys/LCT Wooded dinslone

- distinctive landform of plateaux dissected by a network of shallow, dry valleys;
- heavily wooded character, including extensive stands of ancient, semi-natural broadleaved woodland, mature beechwoods and more recent plantations;
- strong structure of woodland and complex landform creates an intimate and enclosed character with a particular feeling of secrecy in some valleys;
- · distinctive pattern of winding rural roads, irregular field boundaries and scattered rural settlements, typical of 'ancient countryside';
- generally rural and unspoilt character with only localised suburbanising influences within villages, along road corridors or around the fringes of the main settlements;
- low intervisibility

## Landscape designations:

Adjacent to Chilterns AONB

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
PRoW to west	Residents	compatibility of mitigation:
Houses	Walkers	Good existing structure
Kennylands Road	AONB	
AONB - filtered views not prominent	workers	
Kidby's business park		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
To countryside to south (AONB)	Few houses	Compatible with local landscape character
, , ,	Local PRoW	· ·
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No ,	local visual receptors):	
	Walkers and residents have an expectation of beauty	
	within or adjacent to the AONB; workers will be focussed	
	on their work; Kennylands Road has a leafy / wooded	
	character with houses set back	
Panoramic views:		
None		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium	Medium Low
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat to gently sloping	Garden boundaries	Intermittent traffic along Kennylands Road Some noise from business park
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Pylons
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity – Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Glow of village, traffic, some street lighting on Kennylands Road
Water features:		,
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Rough grass/paddock and private gardens	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees: Tree belts to south western and south eastern boundaries, within the garden of and along the road frontage of the house in the south east. Some individual trees in the gardens.	Landscape features of CA: n/a	
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Hedgerows and hedgerow trees: Gappy hedge to the north west	Built form: Shed/stable, houses	Accessibility by public footpath: No
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	

Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Isolated shed	
Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
character:	openness/enclosure:
	Enclosed
	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	Simple
	Regular
	Small scale
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None	
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Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low	Medium / Low
	Isolated shed  Contribution of private gardens to landscape character: Substantial planting in gardens on north east side of site and on Kennylands Road frontages  Cultural associations: None  Features of cultural importance: None  Sensitivity score:

Adjacent settlement:
Sonning Common
Character of the urban edge:
Fairly open views of houses
Presence in a floodplain:
No .
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Not typical of LCA, being small and enclosed by vegetation
Character of adjacent village(s):
Dispersed settlement built around the two main routes through the parish (Peppard Road and Kennylands Road) and set between two dry valleys. The village has no
historic core with development starting in the 19th century with plotlands development and substantial estate and backland extension occurring in the 1960s. This
development has been undertaken in blocks which reflect the field pattern. The site is adjacent to the low density housing on its north eastern boundary and fronts
onto the leafy / wooded Kennylands Road in 2 places. The site extends below the 90m contour on which much of the village sits, though the Kidby's Yard development
is at the same elevation as the site.
Historic links with the wider area if known:
None known
Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
Recreational links with the wider area:
None

# **VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:**

Sonning Common Character Assessment and Design Statement 2013 (Consultation Draft):

- The dry valleys to the east and west of the village define the village edges and frame the village;
- local features including a deep chalk pit in the south east corner of a field to the west of Kennylands Road.

(See record sheet for SON I for further details)

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Site: SON 6

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	SON 6
Site character areas:-	n/a
Date of site survey:	22.1.15
Surveyors:	AG IDT
Weather/visibility:	hazy sun
LCA:	LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys/LCT Semi-enclosed dipslope

LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys/LCT Semi-enclosed dipslope

- typically level or more gently sloping ground;
- comparatively open fields contained within a strong structure of woods, hedgerows or trees to form a loose mosaic;
- dominance of arable cultivation;
- strong structure of woods and hedgerows generally provides visual containment and results in moderate to low intervisibility;
- distinctive pattern of winding rural roads, irregular field boundaries and scattered rural settlements, typical of 'ancient countryside';
- Generally rural and unspoilt character but with some 'suburbanising' influences within rural settlements and along main roads (eg. A4074, A4130), and localised intrusion of built development and power lines (eg. around Sonning Common and Caversham)

## Landscape designations:

Adjacent to Chilterns AONB

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Glimpses from road	motorists	compatibility of mitigation:
PRoW to south	residents	Good existing structure
houses	walkers AONB visitors	South western boundary absent (part of large field)
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Glimpses to countryside to west in winter	Few houses Busy road but glimpses only Local PRoW	Compatible with local character Loss of openness and link wider field
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual receptors): Edge of settlement Adjacent to AONB	
Panoramic views:		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Medium
Visual sensitivity score: Medium		1
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat to gently undulating	Post and wire	Intermittently busy road
Geological features: None	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity – Visual intrusion / detractors: None
Soil quality: Grade 3	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies: Village road
Water features: None		
Landcover and land use: arable	Conservation Area: None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees: None	Landscape features of CA:	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedge / trees to north east and south east boundaries	None	no
Woodland and copses: None	Setting of listed buildings: None	Open access areas: None
None	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	n/a	

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Some trees in adjacent gardens to north west and south	Semi enclosed
	east	
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None	Regular
		simple
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Low	Medium / Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Sonning Common
Character of the urban edge:
Generally well vegetated though house to north west openly visible
Presence in a floodplain:
No
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Typical of wider LCA, links with countryside to south and west
Character of adjacent village(s):
Dispersed settlement built around the two main routes through the parish (Peppard Road and Kennylands Road) and set between two dry valleys. The village has no
historic core with development starting in the 19 <sup>th</sup> century with plotlands development and substantial estate and backland extension occurring in the 1960s. This
development has been undertaken in blocks which reflect the field pattern. The site forms a gap in the linear settlement pattern along the south west side of
Kennylands Road and is part of a wider gap between the main village and the southern extremities. Development of the site would reflect the pattern of the linear
development along Kennylands Road.
Historic links with the wider area if known:
None known
Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
Recreational links with the wider area:
None

#### VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:

Sonning Common Character Assessment and Design Statement 2013 (Consultation Draft):

- In the early development of the village (plotlands) plots were sold at different times, probably by different landowners in a way that 'seems almost random', so that some gaps appeared early on and were not filled in until later or were not filled in at all, e.g the gap along Kennylands Road opposite Hag Pits;
- local features including a deep chalk pit in the south east corner of a field to the west of Kennylands Road.

See SON I record sheet for more details.

Draft Sonning Common Neighbourhood Development Plan Pre-submission version February 2015 (not adopted at the time of the Landscape Capacity Study – April 2015, therefore proposed housing allocations are not included):

(See record sheet for SON I for settlement-wide issues)

• Protect the rural and wooded quality of Kennylands Road

Site: SON 7

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	SON 7
Site character areas:	n/a
Date of site survey:	22.1.15
Surveyors:	AG IDT
Weather/visibility:	hazy sunshine
LCA:	LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys/LCT Semi-enclosed dipslope

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- typically level or more gently sloping ground;
- comparatively open fields contained within a strong structure of woods, hedgerows or trees to form a loose mosaic;
- dominance of arable cultivation;
- strong structure of woods and hedgerows generally provides visual containment and results in moderate to low intervisibility;
- distinctive pattern of winding rural roads, irregular field boundaries and scattered rural settlements, typical of 'ancient countryside';
- Generally rural and unspoilt character but with some 'suburbanising' influences within rural settlements and along main roads (eg. A4074, A4130), and localised intrusion of built development and power lines (eg. around Sonning Common and Caversham)

## Landscape designations:

Adjacent to Chilterns AONB

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Kennylands Road (western section only)	motorists	compatibility of mitigation:
(much of site wooded)	residents	good
Herb Farm to north east	Herb Farm visitors	
Houses to south east		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Limited views from edge as much of site wooded	Few	Compatible with wooded character
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Part of settlement – important part of leafy / wooded road	
Panoramic views:		
None		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium / Low	Low
Visual sensitivity score:		<u> </u>
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

res other than vegetation:  Tranquillity – Noise levels: Intermittent traffic  Tranquillity – Visual intrusion / detractors: None noted  Tranquillity – Light pollution/dark skies: Street lights on Kennylands Road  Tranquillity – Light pollution/dark skies:
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Accessibility by public footpath:
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buildings: Open access areas:
None
ent Monuments:  Recreational areas: None

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	Clustered	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character: It is a private garden which contributes to the leafy character of Kennylands Road	openness/enclosure: enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover: None	Cultural associations: None	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern: Small Complex Regular
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score: Medium	Sensitivity score: Medium / Low	Sensitivity score: Medium / Low
Landscape sensitivity score: Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

None

# Adjacent settlement: Sonning Common Character of the urban edge: Leafy character along Kennylands Road – woodland between site and settlement to the north west Presence in a floodplain: None Relationship with adjacent wider countryside: Not typical of LCA, being small, enclosed by vegetation and in use as garden, cut off from wider countryside by road and built up area Character of adjacent village(s): Dispersed settlement built around the two main routes through the parish (Peppard Road and Kennylands Road) and set between two dry valleys. The village has no historic core with development starting in the 19th century with plotlands development and substantial estate and backland extension occurring in the 1960s. This development has been undertaken in blocks which reflect the field pattern. The site fronts onto the leafy / wooded Kennylands Road and is part of a gap between the main settlement and the southern extremities. Historic links with the wider area if known: None known Ecological links with the wider area if known: None Recreational links with the wider area:

# **VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:**

Sonning Common Character Assessment and Design Statement 2013 (Consultation Draft):

- Local people value the way the wooded character 'seeps' across the village;
- The dry valleys to the east and west of the village define the village edges and frame the village;

(See record sheet for SON I for further details)

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(See record sheet for SON I for settlement-wide issues)

• Protect the rural and wooded quality of Kennylands Road

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	SON 8
Site character areas:	n/a
Date of site survey:	22.1.15
Surveyors:	AG IDT
Weather/visibility:	hazy sunshine
LCA:	LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys/LCT Semi-enclosed dipslope

# LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys/LCT Semi-enclosed dipslope

- typically level or more gently sloping ground;
- comparatively open fields contained within a strong structure of woods, hedgerows or trees to form a loose mosaic;
- dominance of arable cultivation;
- strong structure of woods and hedgerows generally provides visual containment and results in moderate to low intervisibility;
- distinctive pattern of winding rural roads, irregular field boundaries and scattered rural settlements, typical of 'ancient countryside';
- Generally rural and unspoilt character but with some 'suburbanising' influences within rural settlements and along main roads (eg. A4074, A4130), and localised intrusion of built development and power lines (eg. around Sonning Common and Caversham)

### Landscape designations:

Adjacent to AONB

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Millennium Field	residents	compatibility of mitigation:
Possible glimpses from PRoW to south, including	gym visitors	Good existing vegetation structure
Chiltern Way	Millennium Field users	
housing	walkers	
gymnastic centre	nursing home residents, staff, visitors	
nursing home		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Millennium Field	Popular Millennium Field	Compatible with local character
	Few houses	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Urban edge	
	Community field	
	Regional and local footpaths	
Panoramic views:		
None		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium	Low
Visual sensitivity score:		1
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat with localised mounding	Post and rail	quiet
•	Close board fence	intermittent traffic
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Gym building
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Gym building
		housing
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Parking	None	
Gym centre		
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt to east side	None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees to northern boundary	2-story gymnastic centre	no
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	n/a	no
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	Millennium Field adjacent
TWOTE	Trone	Timermum Field adjacent
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	Single building	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Some trees to e and west	Semi-enclosed

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None	Complex
		Regular
		small
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	adjacent Millennium Field	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium / Low	Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

### Adjacent settlement:

Sonning Common

### Character of the urban edge:

Mixed- open in places

## Presence in a floodplain:

No

# Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Different in character, cut off by roads and built up areas

### Character of adjacent village(s):

Dispersed settlement built around the two main routes through the parish (Peppard Road and Kennylands Road) and set between two dry valleys. The village has no historic core with development starting in the 19<sup>th</sup> century with plotlands development and substantial estate and backland extension occurring in the 1960s. This development has been undertaken in blocks which reflect the field pattern. The site is part of a gap between the main settlement and the southern extremities.

### Historic links with the wider area if known:

None known

## Ecological links with the wider area if known:

None

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

Millennium Field and wider footpath network including Chiltern Way

### **VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:**

Sonning Common Character Assessment and Design Statement 2013 (Consultation Draft):

• The dry valleys to the east and west of the village define the village edges and frame the village;

(See record sheet for SON I for further details)

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### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	SON 9
Site character areas:	n/a
Date of site survey:	22.1.15
Surveyors:	AG IDT
Weather/visibility:	hazy sunshine
LCA:	LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys/LCT Semi-enclosed dipslope

- typically level or more gently sloping ground;
- comparatively open fields contained within a strong structure of woods, hedgerows or trees to form a loose mosaic;
- dominance of arable cultivation;
- strong structure of woods and hedgerows generally provides visual containment and results in moderate to low intervisibility;
- distinctive pattern of winding rural roads, irregular field boundaries and scattered rural settlements, typical of 'ancient countryside';
- Generally rural and unspoilt character but with some 'suburbanising' influences within rural settlements and along main roads (eg. A4074, A4130), and localised intrusion of built development and power lines (eg. around Sonning Common and Caversham)

## Landscape designations:

Adjacent to Chilterns AONB

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Peppard Road	residents	compatibility of mitigation:
houses	motorists	Good existing structure
The Herb Farm	Herb Farm visitors	
public views from AONB unlikely		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
AONB to east	Few houses	Loss of medium range views
	Busy herb centre and road	Compatible with local character
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
no	local visual receptors):	
	Edge of AONB and village	
Panoramic views:		
no		
Landmark features:		
no		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium / Low	Medium / Low
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gently sloping	Post and wire	Hum of traffic
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Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	None noted
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Village and traffic
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Horse paddock	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt to southern boundary	None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Both to eastern boundary	None	No
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
Woodland/wooded garden to SW boundary	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Some trees in gardens to south	Semi-enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None	Simple

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
		Reg
		medium
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Low	Medium / Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Sonning Common
Character of the urban edge:
Mixed - open in places
Presence in a floodplain:
No
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Different in character, cut off by road
Character of adjacent village(s):
Dispersed settlement built around the two main routes through the parish (Peppard Road and Kennylands Road) and set between two dry valleys. The village has no
historic core with development starting in the 19 <sup>th</sup> century with plotlands development and substantial estate and backland extension occurring in the 1960s. This
development has been undertaken in blocks which reflect the field pattern. The site is part of a gap between the main settlement and the southern extremities.
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Historic links with the wider area if known:
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Ecological links with the wider area if known:
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Recreational links with the wider area:
None known
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### **VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:**

Sonning Common Character Assessment and Design Statement 2013 (Consultation Draft):

- The dry valleys to the east and west of the village define the village edges and frame the village;
- A key viewpoint on Peppard Road (just north of SON 9) looking north east across open countryside is noted in a diagram of key features (See record sheet for SON I for further details)

Draft Sonning Common Neighbourhood Development Plan Pre-submission version February 2015 (not adopted at the time of the Landscape Capacity Study – April 2015, therefore proposed housing allocations are not included):

(See record sheet for SON I for settlement-wide issues)

• Deal sensitively with the boundary to the east towards the AONB

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	SON 10
Site character areas:	n/a
Date of site survey:	22.1.15
Surveyors:	AG IDT
Weather/visibility:	hazy sunshine
LCA:	LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys/LCT Semi-enclosed dipslope

LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys/LCT Semi-enclosed dipslope

- typically level or more gently sloping ground;
- comparatively open fields contained within a strong structure of woods, hedgerows or trees to form a loose mosaic;
- dominance of arable cultivation;
- strong structure of woods and hedgerows generally provides visual containment and results in moderate to low intervisibility;
- distinctive pattern of winding rural roads, irregular field boundaries and scattered rural settlements, typical of 'ancient countryside';
- Generally rural and unspoilt character but with some 'suburbanising' influences within rural settlements and along main roads (eg. A4074, A4130), and localised intrusion of built development and power lines (eg. around Sonning Common and Caversham)

# Landscape designations:

Partly within Chilterns AONB

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Glimpsed from road and houses	Motorists	compatibility of mitigation:
May be visible from wider AONB	residents	Good structure
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
AONB to east	Few houses	Compatible with local character
	Busy road	
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Does the site form part of a skyline? No	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual receptors):	
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Panoramic views:		
None		
Landon and Castoman		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium	Low
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		
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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Sloping side of dry valley	Chestnut paling	Traffic noise
	Flint wall	
	Post and rail	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	None noted
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Village and road
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Garden	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belts to western boundary	None	
Within and to eastern boundary		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
None	House and outbuilding	None
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
Wooded garden – especially at north end	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	Scattered buildings in large plot	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Within private garden	North enclosed, south more open

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
None	None	Complex
		Irregular
		small
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information	<u> </u>	I
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium / Low	Medium / Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Sonning Common
Character of the urban edge:
Well vegetated
Presence in a floodplain:
No
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Somewhat typical of LCA
South end links to countryside to east, on the sloping side of the dry valley that defines the edge of the village
Character of adjacent village(s):
Dispersed settlement built around the two main routes through the parish (Peppard Road and Kennylands Road) and set between two dry valleys. The village has no
historic core with development starting in the 19th century with plotlands development and substantial estate and backland extension occurring in the 1960s. This
development has been undertaken in blocks which reflect the field pattern. The site sits on the sloping side of the dry valley to the east of the village.
Historic links with the wider area if known:
None known
Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
Recreational links with the wider area:
None known

### VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:

Sonning Common Character Assessment and Design Statement 2013 (Consultation Draft):

- The dry valleys to the east and west of the village define the village edges and frame the village;
- A key viewpoint on Peppard Road (just south of SON 10) looking north east across open countryside is noted in a diagram of key features (See record sheet for SON 1 for further details)

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(See record sheet for SON I for settlement-wide issues)

- Deal sensitively with the boundary to the east towards the AONB
- The edge of the village to the East is AONB and should not be developed

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	SON 12
Site character areas:	n/a
Date of site survey:	22.1.15
Surveyors:	AG IDT
Weather/visibility:	hazy sunshine
I CA·	I CA I 0 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys/I CT Semi-enclosed dinslone

- typically level or more gently sloping ground;
- comparatively open fields contained within a strong structure of woods, hedgerows or trees to form a loose mosaic;
- dominance of arable cultivation;
- strong structure of woods and hedgerows generally provides visual containment and results in moderate to low intervisibility;
- distinctive pattern of winding rural roads, irregular field boundaries and scattered rural settlements, typical of 'ancient countryside';
- Generally rural and unspoilt character but with some 'suburbanising' influences within rural settlements and along main roads (eg. A4074, A4130), and localised intrusion of built development and power lines (eg. around Sonning Common and Caversham)

# Landscape designations:

Chilterns AONB

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Southern edge visible from road and countryside within	motorists	compatibility of mitigation:
AONB to south east	residents	Good existing structure
North part of site difficult to view	AONB visitors	
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Countryside to south east AONB Blounts Court	Very few	Compatible with local character
Does the site form part of a skyline? No	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual receptors): AONB/village edge	
Panoramic views: None		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium / Low	Low
Visual sensitivity score:	·	
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat- gently sloping	None noted	Occasional traffic
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Blounts Court
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity – Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	village
Water features:		
Adjacent to Widmore Pond		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Rough grass / grazing	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt to north boundary	None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
None	None	No
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None (adjacent to north east and south west – Slade's Wood)	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
Adjacent pond to north is common land Widmore Pond	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character: Some trees in gardens to west	openness/enclosure: Semi-enclosed

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
None	None known	Irregular, simple, small
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
Ancient and semi-natural woodland adjacent to the		
south western boundary - Slade's Wood		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Low	Medium / Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Sonning Common
Character of the urban edge:
Well vegetated
Presence in a floodplain:
No
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Linked to landscape to south east
Character of adjacent village(s):
Dispersed settlement built around the two main routes through the parish (Peppard Road and Kennylands Road) and set between two dry valleys. The village has no
historic core with development starting in the 19 <sup>th</sup> century with plotlands development and substantial estate and backland extension occurring in the 1960s. This
development has been undertaken in blocks which reflect the field pattern. SON 12 forms part of the semi-rural approach to the village from the north east and the
wooded setting to Widmore Pond
Historic links with the wider area if known:
Possibly linked to adjacent Widmore Pond and Blount's Court Estate
Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
Recreational links with the wider area:
None known

### VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:

Sonning Common Character Assessment and Design Statement 2013 (Consultation Draft):

- The dry valleys to the east and west of the village define the village edges and frame the village;
- Widmore Pond and its wooded surrounds are of historical significance to the village and were once part of Blount's Court Estate and form a gateway to the eastern part of the village;

(See record sheet for SON I for further details)

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- The edge of the village to the East is AONB and should not be developed

### **SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET**

Site:	SON 14
Site character areas:	n/a
Date of site survey:	22.1.15
Surveyors:	AG IDT
Weather/visibility:	hazy sunshine
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- typically level or more gently sloping ground;
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## Landscape designations:

Chilterns AONB

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
road	motorists	compatibility of mitigation:
houses, PRoW within settlement	residents	Some existing structure
Views from wider AONB possible	walkers	Boundary absent (part of lower field)
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
AONB to south east	A few houses	Loss of openness and link with valley landscape
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	AONB	
	Village edge	
Panoramic views:		
None		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / High	Medium	Medium / High
Visual sensitivity score:	I	1
Medium / High		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Sloping valley side	Post and wire	traffic
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	None noted
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity – Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Village/road
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
arable	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Individual Poplars to north boundary	None	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Gappy hedgerow to north and west	None	None
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Wooded garden to south	Open on countryside edge
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
None	None	Simple , irregular, large scale
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Low	Medium / Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
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Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Sonning Common
Character of the urban edge:
Mixed – open to north west
Presence in a floodplain:
No
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Strongly linked to valley landscape east and typical of wider LCA
Character of adjacent village(s):
Dispersed settlement built around the two main routes through the parish (Peppard Road and Kennylands Road) and set between two dry valleys. The village has no
historic core with development starting in the 19 <sup>th</sup> century with plotlands development and substantial estate and backland extension occurring in the 1960s. This
development has been undertaken in blocks which reflect the field pattern. The site sits on the sloping side of the dry valley to the east of the village and east of
Peppard Road.
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Historic links with the wider area if known:
None known
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Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
None
Recreational links with the wider area:
None known

### VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:

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### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	SON16	
Site character areas:	n/a	
Date of site survey:	22-1-15	
Surveyors:	AG IDT	
Weather/visibility:	hazy sunshine	
LCA:	LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys/LCT Semi-enclosed dipslope	

LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys/LCT Semi-enclosed dipslope

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### Landscape designations:

Adjacent to Chilterns AONB

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
School	School staff/children/ visitors	compatibility of mitigation:
Houses	residents	Good – some existing structure
Glimpses from Kidmore Lane	AONB visitors	
PRoW AONB (possibly screened views, winter only)		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Countryside (AONB) to south	Busy school	Compatible with LCA
	Few houses	
	Kidmore Lane is rural but quite busy	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Setting of AONB and within AONB	
	Rural setting, particularly Kidmore Lane to the south	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Medium / Low
Visual sensitivity score:		1
Medium		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform: Undulating- artificially levelled	Boundary features other than vegetation: Wire mesh security fence in gaps in hedge; garden fencing	Tranquillity – Noise levels: School grounds road
Geological features: None	Historic landscapes: None	Tranquillity – Visual intrusion / detractors: School buildings
Soil quality: Grade 3	Parkland features: None	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies: School village
Water features: None		
Landcover and land use: School playing fields; house and garden on Reade's Lane	Conservation Area: None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees: Trees in rear garden of house on Reade's Lane	Landscape features of CA: n/a	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees: Hedges to road boundaries to SE	Built form: House and school building in north	Accessibility by public footpath:
Woodland and copses: None	Setting of listed buildings: n/a	Open access areas: No
Wetland and meadow: None	Scheduled Ancient Monuments: None	Recreational areas: School fields
Common land: None	Settlement pattern: Focussed in north of site near school buildings and off of Reade's Lane	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Hedges and trees to N and NE boundaries	Semi enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
None	None	Irregular
		Some complexity
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	1.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
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Landscape sensitivity score:		
Low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Sonning Common
Character of the urban edge:
School buildings open - main settlement fairly well vegetated
Presence in a floodplain:
No
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Somewhat typical of wider LCA though with amenity grass. Some links to wider countryside.
Character of adjacent village(s):
Dispersed settlement built around the two main routes through the parish (Peppard Road and Kennylands Road) and set between two dry valleys. The village has no historic core with development starting in the 19 <sup>th</sup> century with plotlands development and substantial estate and backland extension occurring in the 1960s. This
development has been undertaken in blocks which reflect the field pattern. The site is adjacent to the built form on its northern and north eastern and boundaries, w
the school buildings wrapping around the western side of the site. The south western part of the site extends beyond the settlement envelope towards Kidmore End
Kidmore Lane which forms the southern boundary has a very rural character.
Historic links with the wider area if known:
None known
Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
Recreational links with the wider area:
None

# **VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:**

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• retain the existing separation with Kidmore End to the south west (See record sheet for SON I for settlement-wide issues)

Site:	WATI
Site character areas:	No sub-division
Date of site survey:	6/2/15
Surveyors:	BK
Weather/visibility:	Sunny
LCA:	LCA 5 Eastern Vale Fringes: Open rolling downs
distinctively smooth rounded landform of low chalk or greensand	hills;
dominance of intensive arable cultivation with weak or absent hec	lgerow structure and large scale field pattern;
<ul> <li>distinctively 'grey' and flinty soils;</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>denuded and somewhat bleak and sterile character, with few features of landscape or wildlife value;</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>rural character with few detracting influences but large-scale farm buildings tend to be particularly prominent in this very open landscape;</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>open landscape results in high intervisibility and extensive views.</li> </ul>	
Landscape designations:	Immediate setting of the Chilterns AONB

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Footpath to the south through gaps in hedge	Walkers	compatibility of mitigation:
Britwell Road	Residents	Reinforce hedgerow boundary
Adjacent houses	Road users	Careful design of access to avoid impact on the
Some views from Watlington Hill but not an exposed		AONB
site		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Adjacent houses	Well used	None
Long view to escarpment	Local links	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Passing view of pasture setting to the village	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Medium/low
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gently sloping north-east towards village	Post and rail fencing	Passing traffic on Britwell Road
Just below 105m AOD	Chain link fencing off Britwell Road	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Not known	None
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
N/A	None	Typical village lighting
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Pasture / paddocks	Immediately west of Watlington CA	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
A few trees on the eastern and western boundaries	Rear gardens of houses along Britwell Road	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Dense hedgerow along southern boundary	None on site	Adjacent to footpath leading into the Chilterns
,	Enclosed on 3 sides by settlement	
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	No	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Compact urban-like centre	
	Lower density looser structure in the south	
	Small modern estates around the town outside of the CA	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Gardens blend into pasture	Enclosed area
	Important to setting of CA	
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
Scrub on the boundaries	Not known	Small scale, diverse vegetation
		Pastoral setting
		Irregular
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
BAP Priority Habitats:	None	
Available survey data:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium/high	Medium
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

# Adjacent settlement:

Watlington

# Character of the urban edge:

- Small scale 2 storey older houses with small rear gardens
- Some modern housing to the west on higher ground

# Presence in a floodplain:

Νo

# Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Separated from wider landscape by hedgerows
Contrasting landscape pattern to wider lower levels of the adjacent Chilterns

# Character of adjacent village(s):

Historic market town

### Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

# Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Not known

## Recreational links with the wider area:

Footpath link with the Chilterns network

### **VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:**

N/A

Site:	WAT3
Site character areas:	No sub-division
Date of site survey:	6/2/15
Surveyors:	ВК
Weather/visibility:	Sunny
LCA:	LCA 5 Eastern Vale Fringes: Semi-enclosed rolling downs

- distinctively smooth rounded landform of low chalk or greensand hills;
- dominance of intensive arable cultivation but
- some areas of permanent pasture or grassland;
- large-scale field pattern contained within a comparatively intact structure of hedges, with hedgerow trees and frequent linear belts or stands of planted woodland;
- distinctively 'grey' and flinty soils;
- rural character with few detracting influences, although main roads create some localised intrusion;
- semi-enclosed landscape with moderate intervisibility.

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Landscape designations:	Immediate setting of the Chilterns AONB	

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Watlington Hill	Visitors to well known beauty spot and viewing point	compatibility of mitigation:
Public right of way to the south	Users of long distance national trail	Tree planting to eastern boundary
Residential property	Local walkers	Internal tree planting
Glimpses from Ridgeway to the east	Local residents	
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Chiltern escarpment	Very popular visitor location on Watlington Hill and	In keeping with settlement character and
Houses on eastern edge of Watlington	national trail	character of semi-enclosed rolling downs
Community Hospital	Well used local path	
	Number of houses	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Settlement edge pasture	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium/high	Medium/high	Medium/low
Visual sensitivity score:	<u>,                                      </u>	·
Medium		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Very gently rising land between 110m and 115m AOD	Mixed fencing to rear gardens	Local road traffic
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Not known	No visually intrusive elements except a local shed
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
N/A	None	Local village lighting to the west
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Pasture / ley and rough grassland	Touches corner of Watlington Conservation Area in	
	south-west corner	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree group on western edge of site associated with	No	
pond		
Tree planting in gardens along Hill Hoad		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerows to internal boundaries and eastern edge	None	Public right of way along southern boundary
Occasional hedgerow trees		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
Deciduous plantation to the south-west of the site	No	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
No	No	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
No	Compact urban-like centre	
	Lower density looser structure in the south	
	Small modern estates around the town outside of the CA	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
No	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Gardens along Hill Road contribute to softening the edge	Semi-enclosed
	of the village and tree covered semi-enclosed character	
	Gardens to houses on Chiltern Gardens are smaller and	
	less vegetated	
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
Some scrub	N/A	Simple small to medium scale irregular field

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
		pattern
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
BAP Priority Habitats:	None	
Available survey data:		
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Medium/high
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

# Adjacent settlement:

Watlington

# Character of the urban edge:

Exposed modern housing to the west

Edge of linear housing to the north softened by trees and mature hedgerows

## Presence in a floodplain:

South-western area is in flood zones 2 and 3

# Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Reflects the pattern of small fields adjacent to the settlement along Hill Road and the B480 Howe Road

Contrast with more open rolling downs beyond

On lower slopes before land rises into the Chilterns

# Character of adjacent village(s):

Modern housing in small estates or linear development along Hill Road Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

# Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Not known

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

Footpath links with village and connects with footpath network on lower slopes of the AONB

#### VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:

N/A

Site:	WAT5	
Site character areas:	No sub-division	
Date of site survey:	6/2/15	
Surveyors:	ВК	
Weather/visibility:	Sunny	
LCA:	LCA 5 Eastern Vale Fringes: Semi-enclosed rolling downs	

- distinctively smooth rounded landform of low chalk or greensand hills;
- dominance of intensive arable cultivation but
- some areas of permanent pasture or grassland;
- large-scale field pattern contained within a comparatively intact structure of hedges, with hedgerow trees and frequent linear belts or stands of planted woodland;
- distinctively 'grey' and flinty soils;
- rural character with few detracting influences, although main roads create some localised intrusion;
- semi-enclosed landscape with moderate intervisibility.

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Landscape designations:	Setting of the Chilterns AONB

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Watlington Hill	Visitors to beauty spot and viewing location	compatibility of mitigation:
Glimpses from Hill Road	Residents	Tree belts are a feature of this area
Adjacent houses	Local road users	New tree belts
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Watlington Hill and the escarpment	Very popular location at Watlington Hill	Existing soft edge to town in this location so no
	Well used road	mitigation needed
	A few residents	Would link into existing tree belts
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Exposed open field on outer edge of the town	
Panoramic views:		
Of the Chilterns Escarpment		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium/High	Medium/high	Medium/low
Visual sensitivity score:	·	
Medium		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Fairly flat land on lower levels around 110m AOD	High brick wall to Shirburn Street	Local road traffic
relating well to the town	1 10 1 10 1 10 1 10 1 10 1 10 1 10 1 1	2004.1042.044
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	No clear evidence	No detractors
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
N/A	No	Local village lighting
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Pasture	Immediately adjacent to Watlington Conservation Area	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Prominent linear tree belt east of the site	Large open fields	
Tree planting in adjacent gardens	8c sh su meres	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Farm hedgerow to eastern boundary	None	No
Gappy hedgerow to northern boundary		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	Adjacent to a few listed buildings including Grade II* East	N/A
	End House and forming the landscape setting	
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	N/A	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
No	Compact urban-like centre	
	Limited development on Hill Road and Shirburn Street	
	except along roads	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
No	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Gardens within Conservation Area	Open area
	Tree planting to large properties	
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
Patches of scrub growth in centre of site	N/A	Very simple rectangular medium sized fields
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
BAP Priority Habitats:	None on site	
Available survey data:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium/high	Medium/high
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium/high		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:

Watlington

Character of the urban edge:

Properties in the Conservation Area

Fairly loose settlement edge with strongly defined line along Shirburn Street

Presence in a floodplain:

Νo

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Site is typical of the adjacent wider landscape

High intervisibility with the Chilterns escarpment

Character of adjacent village(s):

Strong traditional character to neighbouring part of the settlement

Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not know

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

No known

Recreational links with the wider area:

**VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:** 

N/A

Site:	WAT6
Site character areas:	No sub-division
Date of site survey:	6/2/15
Surveyors:	ВК
Weather/visibility:	Sunny
LCA:	LCA 5 Eastern Vale Fringes: Semi-enclosed rolling downs

- distinctively smooth rounded landform of low chalk or greensand hills;
- dominance of intensive arable cultivation but
- some areas of permanent pasture or grassland;
- large-scale field pattern contained within a comparatively intact structure of hedges, with hedgerow trees and frequent linear belts or stands of planted woodland;
- distinctively 'grey' and flinty soils;
- rural character with few detracting influences, although main roads create some localised intrusion;
- semi-enclosed landscape with moderate intervisibility.

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Landscape designations:	Immediate setting of the Chilterns AONB	

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Shirburn Road	Road users and pedestrians	compatibility of mitigation:
Adjacent playground	Children at play and parents	Reinforce boundary treatment
Adjoining houses	Residents	
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Towards Pyrton parkland	Busy road	In keeping with existing character
Playground	Popular play area	
Surrounding fields	Few residents	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Enclosed area of pasture within settlement edge	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium/low	Medium/low
Visual sensitivity score:	<u> </u>	•
Medium/low		
Additional comments:		
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Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Fairly level field on the 110m AOD contour	Post and rail fencing	Adjacent road traffic
	Wall to adjacent property on Shirburn Road	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Not known	Views to large modern school buildings
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Not known	No	Local village lighting
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Pasture	Small part of southern boundary is next to the	
	Conservation Area	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Mature trees along most of the boundary	No	
Line of trees across the site		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Mature gappy hedgerow with trees to Shirburn Road	No	No
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	No	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	No	Adjacent to play ground
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Compact urban-like centre	
	New estates north of Shirburn Road	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Little influence	Semi-enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
Some scrub around boundaries	None known	Small scale rectangular field with good landscape
		features
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
BAP Priority Habitats:	None	
Available survey data:		
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium/High	Medium	Medium
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

# Adjacent settlement:

Watlington

# Character of the urban edge:

Set within area of more modern housing Urban edge defined by walls and planting in gardens

Semi-rural character to playground

# Presence in a floodplain:

No

# Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Different character to wider landscape to north

Typical of semi-enclosed small scale landscape around the town

# Character of adjacent village(s):

Mostly modern development

# Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

# Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Not known

#### Recreational links with the wider area:

None

#### VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:

N/A

Site:	WAT6
Site character areas:	No sub-division
Date of site survey:	6/2/15
Surveyors:	ВК
Weather/visibility:	Sunny
I CA·	LCA 5 Eastern Vale Fringes: Semi-enclosed rolling downs

- distinctively smooth rounded landform of low chalk or greensand hills;
- dominance of intensive arable cultivation but
- some areas of permanent pasture or grassland;
- large-scale field pattern contained within a comparatively intact structure of hedges, with hedgerow trees and frequent linear belts or stands of planted woodland;
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- rural character with few detracting influences, although main roads create some localised intrusion;
- semi-enclosed landscape with moderate intervisibility.

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Landscape designations:	Immediate setting of the Chilterns AONB	

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Watlington Hill	Visitors to Watlington Hill	compatibility of mitigation:
Shirburn Road and Pyrton Lane	Road users	Retain and enhance existing tree cover
Oxfordshire Way	Private views from parkland	Include additional tree planting internally
Shirburn Park Grade II Registered park and garden		No increase in height of built form on site
		Reduction in building mass and scale
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Shirburn Park Grade II Registered park and garden	Watlington Hill and roads very busy	In keeping with site but existing development is
Landscape to the north		not in keeping with its landscape, parkland and
		AONB setting
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Isolated collection of commercial buildings enclosed within	
	tree cover	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium/High	Medium/High	Medium/low
Visual sensitivity score:	·	•
Medium		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Level site at approx. I 15m AOD	Chain link security fencing	Local road traffic
	Gates	On site commercial use
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Adjacent to Shirburn Park Grade II Registered park and	Visual intrusive building and fencing on site
	garden	No visually intrusive elements beyond site
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
	None on site	Dark area (except existing on site lighting)
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Commercial buildings	N/A	
Hardstandings		
Young tree planting in grass		
Amenity grassland		
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belts to perimeter of the site	N/A	
Individual semi-mature trees in the site		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerow to Shirburn Road	Large shed	No
	Ancillary buildings	
	Hardstandings	
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
No	N/A	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
No	N/A	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Isolated from settlements	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	N/A	Enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
No	Not known	Medium scale irregular contrasting pocket of
		development in open landscape
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features	
BAP Priority Habitats:	No		
Available survey data:			
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife			
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:			
Other information			
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	
Medium/low	Medium/low	Medium/Low	
Landscape sensitivity score:			
Medium/low			
Additional comments:			

Adjacent settlement:

Watlington and Pyrton

Character of the urban edge:

250m distance from modern housing on the northern edge of Watlington 500m distance from village of Pyrton

Presence in a floodplain:

Νo

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Contrast with surrounding landscape

Character of adjacent village(s):

Modern housing on northern edge of Watlington

Older properties in small village (Conservation Area) at Pyrton

Historic links with the wider area if known:

No known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Not evident

Recreational links with the wider area:

Alongside Oxfordshire Way

**VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:** 

N/A

Site:	WAT9		
Site character areas:	No sub-division		
Date of site survey:	6/2/15		
Surveyors:	BK		
Weather/visibility:	Sunny		
LCA:	LCA 5 Eastern Vale Fringes: Open rolling downs		
distinctively smooth rounded landform of low chalk or greensand hills;			
<ul> <li>dominance of intensive arable cultivation with weak or absent hedgerow structure and large scale field pattern;</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>distinctively 'grey' and flinty soils;</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>denuded and somewhat bleak and sterile character, with few features of landscape or wildlife value;</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>rural character with few detracting influences but large-scale farm buildings tend to be particularly prominent in this very open landscape;</li> </ul>			
open landscape results in high intervisibility and extensive views.			
Landscape designations:	Wider setting of the Chilterns AONB		

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Pyrton Lane	Road users	compatibility of mitigation:
Grassy track north of Willow Close		Tree belts to link into existing along Pyrton Lane
Distant views from Watlington Hill of open field beyond		and along north part of site
the village		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Distant view to Chiltern escarpment	Local low use	In keeping with local landscape features
Trees in Shirburn Park and Pyrton Manor grounds		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Open field on edge of village forming setting to Pyrton	
	Manor and Shirburn Park	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium/high	Medium/low	Medium/low
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Rising land to a shallow knoll at 105m AOD in the	None	Quiet area away from busy roads
centre of the site		
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	No	Small pylons
		Filtered view of school buildings
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
-	None	Lowlight levels from adjacent village
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Arable	Separated from Pyrton CA by adjacent field and tree cover	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt in northern corner of the site	N/A	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Well maintained hedgerow to Pyrton Lane and more	None	No
mature hedgerows to western, northern and southern		
boundary Hedgerow trees to the northern boundary		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	No	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
No		No
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Compact urban-like centre	
	New estates north of B480 Cuxham Road	
	School grounds to the south-east	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	N/A	open
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
No	Not known	Simple rectangular medium sized field
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
BAP Priority Habitats:	None	
Available survey data:		
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:				
Other information				
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:		
Medium	Medium/Low	Medium		
Landscape sensitivity score:				
Medium				
Additional comments:				

Adjacent settlement:

Watlington

Character of the urban edge:

Modern estate designed around open space with hedgerow between site and Ash Close

Presence in a floodplain:

No

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Part of the open landscape of medium to large arable fields west of the village extending south of Pyrton Character of adjacent village(s):

Modern estates with generous tree belt planting

Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

No

Recreational links with the wider area:

VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:

N/A

# SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	WATI0	
Site character areas:	No sub-division	
Date of site survey:	6/2/15	
Surveyors:	BK	
Weather/visibility:	Sunny	
LCA:	LCA 5 Eastern Vale Fringes: Open rolling downs	
distinctively smooth rounded landform of low chalk or greensand	hills;	
<ul> <li>dominance of intensive arable cultivation with weak or absent hedgerow structure and large scale field pattern;</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>distinctively 'grey' and flinty soils;</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>denuded and somewhat bleak and sterile character, with few features of landscape or wildlife value;</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>rural character with few detracting influences but large-scale farm buildings tend to be particularly prominent in this very open landscape;</li> </ul>		
open landscape results in high intervisibility and extensive views.		
Landscape designations:	Wider setting of the Chilterns AONB	

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Cuxham Road	Road users	compatibility of mitigation:
Willow Close	Visitors to Watlington Hill	Restore hedgerows with hedgerow trees
Long distance views from Watlington Hill		Add woodland planting
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Landscape to the west and south	Busy local road	In keeping with guidelines for the area
Houses off Willow Close beyond hedgerow	Popular visitor location at Watlington Hill	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
High part forms skyline in views from Cuxham	local visual receptors):	
Road	Open landscape west of and beyond the village	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium/low	Medium
Visual sensitivity score:	·	•
Medium		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Rising ground from floodplain along Cuxham Road	Open boundary to Cuxham Road	Local road traffic
Shallow bank laong Cuxham Road		Nearby commercial estate
		Nearby piggery
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Not evident	None
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
	No	Local village lighting to east
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Arable	No	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
	N/a	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Very gappy hedgerow along western boundary	None	No
Mature field hedgerows along northern and eastern		
boundary		
Hedgerow trees to eastern boundary		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	No	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	No	No
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Compact urban-like centre	
	New estates north of B480 Cuxham Road	
	School grounds to the south-east	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	N/A	Very open
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
None	Not known	Very simple medium scale regular field
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
BAP Priority Habitats:	No	
Available survey data:		
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium/low	Low	Medium/low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium/low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:

Watlington

Character of the urban edge:

Dense hedgerow separates site from housing off Willow Close

Housing visible over hedgerow

Roundabout to south-east corner

Industrial estate to south-east

Presence in a floodplain:

Southern boundary abuts floodplain

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Strong landscape and visual links with wider landscape to the west and north

Character of adjacent village(s):

Modern development

Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Recreational links with the wider area:

No

**VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:** 

N/A

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### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	WATII
Site character areas:	No sub-division
Date of site survey:	6/2/15
Surveyors:	BK
Weather/visibility:	Sunny
LCA:	LCA 5 Eastern Vale Fringes: Open rolling downs
distinctively smooth rounded landform of low chalk or greensand	hills;
<ul> <li>dominance of intensive arable cultivation with weak or absent hedgerow structure and large scale field pattern;</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>distinctively 'grey' and flinty soils;</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>denuded and somewhat bleak and sterile character, with few features of landscape or wildlife value;</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>rural character with few detracting influences but large-scale farm buildings tend to be particularly prominent in this very open landscape;</li> </ul>	
open landscape results in high intervisibility and extensive views.	
Landscape designations:	Wider setting of the Chilterns AONB

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Cuxham Road	Road users	compatibility of mitigation:
Industrial estate	Workers	Tree and woodland planting
		Retain existing boundary cover
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
WATI0 and Cuxham Road	Fairly busy roads	Enhance local landscape in keeping with local
		character
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Enclosed piece of left over land	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium/low	Medium/low	Medium/low
Visual sensitivity score:	•	
Medium/low		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Largely flat	Chain link fence	Noise from adjacent industrial premises and
		piggery
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Not evident	Piggery sheds
		Industrial buildings
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
	None	Local village lighting
Water features:		
Ditch along Cuxham Road		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Pasture with scrub	Separated from Watlington Conservation Area by modern	
	buildings	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt along eastern boundary	N/A	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Mature hedgerow to western, northern and eastern	None	No
boundaries		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
No	N/A	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
Possible seasonal wetland in north part of site	N/A	N/A
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Compact urban-like centre	
	New housing estates north of B480 Cuxham Road	
	Industrial premises to the east	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	N/A	Enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
No	Not known	Small scale rectangular field with some diversity
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
BAP Priority Habitats:	None	
Available survey data:		
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium/High	Medium/Low	Medium/low
Landscape sensitivity score:	·	
Medium		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:

Watlington

Character of the urban edge:

Mixed tree cover on edge of industrial premises

Roundabout

Presence in a floodplain:

Yes- northern half

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Some characteristics in common with field to the west but more enclosed and more closely related to the urban edge

Limited intervisibility with wider landscape

Character of adjacent village(s):

Modern estates

Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Possible within floodplain

Recreational links with the wider area:

No

**VDS/Parish Plan – relevant extracts:** 

N/A

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### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	WAT12	
Site character areas:	No sub-division	
Date of site survey:	6/2/15	
Surveyors:	BK	
Weather/visibility:	Sunny	
LCA:	LCA 5 Eastern Vale Fringes: Open rolling downs	
distinctively smooth rounded landform of low chalk or greensand	hills;	
<ul> <li>dominance of intensive arable cultivation with weak or absent hedgerow structure and large scale field pattern;</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>distinctively 'grey' and flinty soils;</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>denuded and somewhat bleak and sterile character, with few features of landscape or wildlife value;</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>rural character with few detracting influences but large-scale farm buildings tend to be particularly prominent in this very open landscape;</li> </ul>		
open landscape results in high intervisibility and extensive views.		
Landscape designations:	Wider setting of the Chilterns AONB	

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Cuxham Road	Walkers	compatibility of mitigation:
B4009 Britwell Road	Road users	New planting of hedgerow and hedgerow trees
Hillside along Turners Green Lane public footpath	Residents	Woodland planting
Watlington Hill	Visitors to Watlington Hill	
Adjacent housing		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Surrounding hills	Well used and popular routes	Enhance landscape through restoration of
Chiltern escarpment	A few residents	landscape features
Long views to the west		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
Yes – on knoll at 105m AOD +	local visual receptors):	
	Large open field above the village on Britwell Road	
	Area of pasture in floodplain along Cuxham Road	
	Wooded area with piggery	
Panoramic views:		
Yes – from high ground west and east		
Landmark features:		
Tree cover around piggery		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium/high	Medium/high	Medium/low
Visual sensitivity score:		•
Medium		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Shoulder of land falling to north-east from knoll at	Open boundaries to Cuxham Road and arable land south-	Road traffic
105m AOD + on Britwell road to shallow valley at 96m	west of piggery	Industrial noise and noise from piggery
AOD along Cuxham Road		
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	Not evident	Unattractive sheds on the site Commercial buildings
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
	No	Local village lighting
Water features:		
Ditch along Cuxham Road		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Arable on high ground	Separated from Watlington Conservation Area by modern	
Pasture on low ground	buildings	
Woodland around piggery		
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree line along western edge of industrial premises	N/A	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
New planted hedgerow along track off Britwell Road	Agricultural shed with arable land	None
Hedgerow to south of industrial premises	Large industrial piggery	
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
Linear woodland around piggery	N/A	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
Potential wetland in floodplain	N/A	No
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Compact urban-like centre	
	New housing estates north of Britwell Road	
	Industrial premises to the east	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Small rear gardens to rural housing are open in character	High ground very open
		Lower ground enclosed by tree cover
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
No	Not known	Large to medium scale diverse rectangular landscape pattern
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
BAP Priority Habitats:	None	
Available survey data:		
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium/high	Medium/low	Medium
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:

Watlington

Character of the urban edge:

Modern rural housing on Britwell Road

Medium scale industrial premises to east

Presence in a floodplain:

Half of lower area of pasture on Cuxham Road is in a floodplain

Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:

Higher ground has strong landscape and visual links with the wider landscape to the west and south-west

Woodland around the piggery links into wooded floodplain east of Watlington Mill

Lower area of pasture shares characteristics with WATII but not wider landscape

Character of adjacent village(s):

Modern housing and industrial area

Historic links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Ecological links with the wider area if known:

Not known

Recreational links with the wider area:

None

**VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:** 

N/A

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### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	WAT72		
Site character areas:	No sub-division		
Date of site survey:	6/2/15		
Surveyors:	BK		
Weather/visibility:	Sunny		
LCA:	LCA 5 Eastern Vale Fringes: Open rolling downs		
distinctively smooth rounded landform of low chalk or greensand	<ul> <li>distinctively smooth rounded landform of low chalk or greensand hills;</li> </ul>		
dominance of intensive arable cultivation with weak or absent hec	lgerow structure and large scale field pattern;		
<ul> <li>distinctively 'grey' and flinty soils;</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>denuded and somewhat bleak and sterile character, with few features of landscape or wildlife value;</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>rural character with few detracting influences but large-scale farm buildings tend to be particularly prominent in this very open landscape;</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>open landscape results in high intervisibility and extensive views.</li> </ul>			
Landscape designations:	Wider setting of the Chilterns AONB		

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
B4009 Britwell Road	Residents	compatibility of mitigation:
Adjacent houses	Road users	Opportunity to replace conifer planting with
Footpath south of WATI	Local walkers	deciduous tree planting for the benefit of the
		village landscape
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Screened by conifers at present	Several residents	Improvement to townscape
	Busy road	
	Footpath well used	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Older industrial site screened by conifers	
Panoramic views:		
No		
Landmark features:		
No		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Low
Visual sensitivity score:	•	•
Medium/low -		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gently falling site	Close boarded fencing to houses	Local industrial noise
Steep bank to Britwell Road	-	Road traffic
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	No	Adjoining industrial buildings
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
	no	Local village lighting
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Industrial buildings	Watlington Conservation Area runs along the eastern	
Hardstandings	boundary of the site	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Conifer belt around 3 sides	No	
Trees along part of north-west boundary to adjoining		
industrial site		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
No	Industrial buildings	No
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
No	No	N/A
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
No	No	No
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
N/A	Compact urban core to the village	
	Peripheral industrial sites in north-west	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
N/A	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Separated by fencing and conifers	Enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
No	Not known	Urban intensively used medium scale plot
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	·
BAP Priority Habitats:	No	
Available survey data:		
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low	Medium/low	Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Character of the urban edge:
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Presence in a floodplain:
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Character of adjacent village(s):
Historic links with the wider area if known:
Ecological links with the wider area if known:
Recreational links with the wider area:
VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:

Site: WOO 4

#### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	WOO 004
Site character areas:	n/a
Date of site survey:	04.02.15
Surveyors:	AG / KB
Weather/visibility:	Cloudy
LCA:	LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys/LCT Semi-enclosed dipslope

## LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys/LCT Semi-enclosed dipslope

- typically level or more gently sloping ground;
- comparatively open fields contained within a strong structure of woods, hedgerows or trees to form a loose mosaic;
- dominance of arable cultivation;
- strong structure of woods and hedgerows generally provides visual containment and results in moderate to low intervisibility;
- distinctive pattern of winding rural roads, irregular field boundaries and scattered rural settlements, typical of 'ancient countryside';
- Generally rural and unspoilt character but with some 'suburbanising' influences within rural settlements and along main roads (eg. A4074, A4130), and localised intrusion of built development and power lines (eg. around Sonning Common and Caversham)

### Landscape designations:

Chilterns AONB

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Oxford Road	Residents	compatibility of mitigation:
Reading Road (including views of listed barns)	Walkers	Good existing structure
S. Stoke Road	AONB visitors	
Houses	Village hall and village green users	
Farm	Reading Road users	
MOT garage		
Village green and village hall (including views of listed barns)		
Glimpses from PRoW (Chiltern Way Extension)		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
School	Fairly busy roads	Compatible with local character
Village hall	Well used village hall and village green	
Reading Road	Regional footpath	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
no	local visual receptors):	
	AONB – expectations of beauty	
	Village	
Panoramic views:		
none		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / High	Medium / High	Medium / Low
Visual sensitivity score:		1
Medium		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gently sloping	Post and wire fences	Intermittent traffic
	CBF, barbed wire, tin sheeting	Nearby school
		Village hall and recreation ground
		Tidmore Lane to north is rural and quiet
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Pylons
		School building
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity – Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Glow of village
		Street lights
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Grazing	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt to west	n/a	
Individual trees to north		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Native hedge to west and south boundary	Shed in north	None
Conifer hedge to northern boundary		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	3 x listed building east of the site - Granary, Barn and	None
	farmhouse; southern part of site forms the setting	
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	Isolated	

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Conifer hedge to north	Semi enclosed / enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None	Irregular, small
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	Nearby war memorial	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland: None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium / High	Medium / Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		<b>_</b>
Medium		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Woodcote
Character of the urban edge:
Open – low density
Well vegetated to west
Presence in a floodplain:
None
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Somewhat typical of LCA but cut off from wider countryside by agricultural / light industrial use to north
Character of adjacent village(s):
The village straddles the Chilterns scarp and sits approximately between the 145m and 180m contours with the highest point at Greenmoor Hill in the south. The dipslope (quite steep in this location) falls to the east and the (in places less steep) escarpment falls to the west. The village is relatively scattered and made up of 19 <sup>th</sup> and 20 <sup>th</sup> century housing with the older part focussed around the crossroads of Oxford Road and Reading Road in the north.
Historic links with the wider area if known:
None known
Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
Recreational links with the wider area:
None

### VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:

Woodcote Parish Plan 2008 (comments in italics)

- Woodcote is an 'open' village, a scattered development of habitations among the woods and around the common. This 'open' nature is still a characteristic of Woodcote today.
- The most important areas (of open space) are the Greenmore Ponds and the Village Green and Allotments, which are, by law, designated as charitable land and administered by the Parish Council.

Woodcote Neighbourhood Plan 2013-2027 (comments in italics)

### Protected views include:

- From Greenmore Farm to Reading
- To Didcot and Wallingford from South Stoke Lane
- Across the village green (not clear if this means from all directions)

#### Valued views include:

- The pastures behind the RC church (on South Stoke Road)
- View of Barns at Church lane (not clear where this is possibly Church Farm)
- View of Bridle Path stables and paddocks from Greenmore (not clear where this is)
- View of paddocks and Fox Covert woods from Beech lane (not clear where this is)
- View across woods and fields behind Bridal Path (assumed from PRoW)

Comments include protecting the open character of the village by protecting the open space on the village outskirts / rural edges and in particular:

- The War Memorial crossroads from development
- Views across Church Farm to fields beyond (not clear what is referred to here as fields to north of Church Farm not visible from Reading Road)
- The rural aspect of the Black Lion side of Greenmore

Site: WOO 5

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	WOO 5
Site character areas:	n/a
Date of site survey:	04.02.15
Surveyors:	AG / KB
Weather/visibility:	Cloudy
LCA:	LCA 8 Chilterns Escarpment – Enclosed escarpment

## LCA 8 Chilterns Escarpment – Enclosed escarpment

- Scarp face dominated by dense woodland cover or a mosaic of open grassland, scrub and woodland;
- Predominantly semi-natural character with a series of broad-leaved woodlands of significant nature conservation value (many designated as Sites of Special Scientific Interest);
- Smooth scarp profile masked by roughly textured vegetation, with sombre, muted colours;
- Enclosed, intimate character within densely wooded areas;
- Semi-enclosed character and some views out across the vale from the scarp within areas of open grassland, scrub and woodland;
- Escarpment prominent in views but woodland cover helps to absorb prominent features and results in low intervisibility

### Landscape designations:

Within Chilterns AONB

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Roads	Road users	compatibility of mitigation:
Houses	Residents	Little vegetation to build upon
Catholic church – Christ the King	Walkers	
PRoW	Church visitors	
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Houses	Lots of houses	Loss of openness within field and long views
Long views to west	Local PRoW	
Wooded ridge to north-east		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Within AONB, rural character	
Panoramic views:		
None		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / High	Medium / High	Medium / High
Visual sensitivity score:	I	
Medium/ High		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Post and wire fence	Fairly quiet and rural
	Post and rail fence	
	Various to rear gardens	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Overhead wires
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity – Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Glow of village, no street lighting
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Grazing	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Trees in rear garden of house on Reade's Lane	n/a	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedges to west, north and south	none	Yes, along east boundary
Hedgerow trees to west		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	Picketts Cottage to south-west of site	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	n/a	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Hedges and trees to east	Open, within field

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
None	None	Simple
		Medium large scale
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information	·	•
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Low	Medium
Landscape sensitivity score:	·	•
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Woodcote
Character of the urban edge:
Fairly open to east and south, more wooded to north
Presence in a floodplain:
None
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Links to countryside to west
Character of adjacent village(s):
The village straddles the Chilterns scarp and sits approximately between the 145m and 180m contours with the highest point at Greenmoor Hill in the south. The
dipslope (quite steep in this location) falls to the east and the (in places less steep) escarpment falls to the west. The village is relatively scattered and made up of 19 <sup>th</sup> and 20 <sup>th</sup> century housing with the older part focussed around the crossroads of Oxford Road and Reading Road in the north. Site is part of the semi-rural approach to the village from the north west
Historic links with the wider area if known:
None
Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
Recreational links with the wider area:
None

### VDS/Parish Plan - relevant extracts:

Woodcote Parish Plan 2008 (comments in italics)

- Woodcote is an 'open' village, a scattered development of habitations among the woods and around the common. This 'open' nature is still a characteristic of Woodcote today.
- The most important areas (of open space) are the Greenmore Ponds and the Village Green and Allotments, which are, by law, designated as charitable land and administered by the Parish Council.

Woodcote Neighbourhood Plan 2013-2027 (comments in italics)

Protected views include:

- From Greenmore Farm to Reading
- To Didcot and Wallingford from South Stoke Lane
- Across the village green (not clear if this means from all directions)

Valued views include:

- The pastures behind the RC church (on South Stoke Road)
- View of Barns at Church lane (not clear where this is possibly Church Farm)
- View of Bridle Path stables and paddocks from Greenmore (not clear where this is)
- View of paddocks and Fox Covert woods from Beech lane (not clear where this is)
- View across woods and fields behind Bridal Path (assumed from PRoW)

Comments include protecting the open character of the village by protecting the open space on the village outskirts / rural edges and in particular:

- The War Memorial crossroads from development
- Views across Church Farm to fields beyond (not clear what is referred to here as fields to north of Church Farm not visible from Reading Road)

The rural aspect of the Black Lion side of Greenmore

Site : WOO 006

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	WOO 006
Site character areas:	n/a
Date of site survey:	04.02.15
Surveyors:	AG / KB
Weather/visibility:	Cloudy
LCA:	LCA 8 Chilterns Escarpment – Enclosed escarpment

# LCA 8 Chilterns Escarpment – Enclosed escarpment

- Scarp face dominated by dense woodland cover or a mosaic of open grassland, scrub and woodland;
- Predominantly semi-natural character with a series of broad-leaved woodlands of significant nature conservation value (many designated as Sites of Special Scientific Interest);
- Smooth scarp profile masked by roughly textured vegetation, with sombre, muted colours;
- Enclosed, intimate character within densely wooded areas;
- Semi-enclosed character and some views out across the vale from the scarp within areas of open grassland, scrub and woodland;
- Escarpment prominent in views but woodland cover helps to absorb prominent features and results in low intervisibility

## Landscape designations:

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Houses	Residents	compatibility of mitigation:
Visually contained site		Good existing structure
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Houses	Unknown – probably few	Compatible
Views generally limited		
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	AONB, village edge	
Panoramic views:		
None		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Low	Medium / Low	Low
Visual sensitivity score:		•
Low		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Probable temporary fencing for horse paddocks	Not known, but fairly quiet in general area
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Not known
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity – Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Glow of the village
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Horse paddocks, private garden with tennis court	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt to northern boundary and sub-dividing south western section	n/a	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Possibly to northern boundary	Stables / sheds on northern boundary	No
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	Isolated	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character: Some trees in adjacent rear gardens	openness/enclosure: Enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
None	None	Regular, some complexity
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Low	Medium / Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Woodcote
Character of the urban edge:
Not seen, but appears from aerial photographs to be well vegetated in parts and more open elsewhere
Presence in a floodplain:
No
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Somewhat typical of LCA, being partly enclosed by woodland, small-scale and intimate
Character of adjacent village(s):
The village straddles the Chilterns scarp and sits approximately between the 145m and 180m contours with the highest point at Greenmoor Hill in the south. The
dipslope (quite steep in this location) falls to the east and the (in places less steep) escarpment falls to the west. The village is relatively scattered and made up of 19th
and 20th century housing with the older part focussed around the crossroads of Oxford Road and Reading Road in the north. The site is on flat ground at the top of
scarp
Historic links with the wider area if known:  None
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Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
Recreational links with the wider area:
None

Woodcote Parish Plan 2008 (comments in italics)

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Woodcote Neighbourhood Plan 2013-2027 (comments in italics)

Protected views include:

- From Greenmore Farm to Reading
- To Didcot and Wallingford from South Stoke Lane
- Across the village green (not clear if this means from all directions)

Valued views include:

- The pastures behind the RC church (on South Stoke Road)
- View of Barns at Church lane (not clear where this is possibly Church Farm)
- View of Bridle Path stables and paddocks from Greenmore (not clear where this is)
- View of paddocks and Fox Covert woods from Beech lane (not clear where this is)
- View across woods and fields behind Bridal Path (assumed from PRoW)

Comments include protecting the open character of the village by protecting the open space on the village outskirts / rural edges and in particular:

- The War Memorial crossroads from development
- Views across Church Farm to fields beyond (not clear what is referred to here as fields to north of Church Farm not visible from Reading Road)

The rural aspect of the Black Lion side of Greenmore

Site: WOO 7

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	WOO 7
Site character areas:	n/a
Date of site survey:	04.02.15
Surveyors:	AG / KB
Weather/visibility:	Cloudy
LCA:	LCA 8 Chilterns Escarpment – Enclosed escarpment

- Scarp face dominated by dense woodland cover or a mosaic of open grassland, scrub and woodland;
- Predominantly semi-natural character with a series of broad-leaved woodlands of significant nature conservation value (many designated as Sites of Special Scientific Interest);
- Smooth scarp profile masked by roughly textured vegetation, with sombre, muted colours;
- Enclosed, intimate character within densely wooded areas;
- Semi-enclosed character and some views out across the vale from the scarp within areas of open grassland, scrub and woodland;
- Escarpment prominent in views but woodland cover helps to absorb prominent features and results in low intervisibility

## Landscape designations:

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Glimpses from road	Road users	compatibility of mitigation:
Houses	Residents	Good existing structure
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Houses	Small number of houses	Compatible
Views generally limited	Quiet road	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	Within AONB, village edge	
Panoramic views:		
None		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium / Low	Low
Visual sensitivity score:	-	
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Post and rail fence	Quiet
	Temporary electric fence	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Overhead wire
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Glow of village
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Horse grazing	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Trees belt to north west	n/a	
Individual trees – hawthorn and apple - internally		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerow and hedgerow trees to south – conifer to	none	None
east	none	Tone
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
Small area of native woodland in south east corner	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
	None	Enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
Occasional scrub clumps	None	Small scale
·		Regular
		Moderately simple
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	·
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Low	Medium / Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Woodcote
Character of the urban edge:
Largely well vegetated
Presence in a floodplain:
No
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Some link with countryside to north west
Character of adjacent village(s):
The village straddles the Chilterns scarp and sits approximately between the 145m and 180m contours with the highest point at Greenmoor Hill in the south. The
dipslope (quite steep in this location) falls to the east and the (in places less steep) escarpment falls to the west. The village is relatively scattered and made up of 19 <sup>th</sup>
and 20th century housing with the older part focussed around the crossroads of Oxford Road and Reading Road in the north. The site is an open part of the rural, linear
development on the approach to the village from the west.  Historic links with the wider area if known:
None
Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
Recreational links with the wider area:
None

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Woodcote Neighbourhood Plan 2013-2027 (comments in italics)

Protected views include:

- From Greenmore Farm to Reading
- To Didcot and Wallingford from South Stoke Lane
- Across the village green (not clear if this means from all directions)

Valued views include:

- The pastures behind the RC church (on South Stoke Road)
- View of Barns at Church lane (not clear where this is possibly Church Farm)
- View of Bridle Path stables and paddocks from Greenmore (not clear where this is)
- View of paddocks and Fox Covert woods from Beech lane (not clear where this is)
- View across woods and fields behind Bridal Path (assumed from PRoW)

Comments include protecting the open character of the village by protecting the open space on the village outskirts / rural edges and in particular:

- The War Memorial crossroads from development
- Views across Church Farm to fields beyond (not clear what is referred to here as fields to north of Church Farm not visible from Reading Road)

The rural aspect of the Black Lion side of Greenmore

Site : WOO 10/11

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	WOO 10/11
Site character areas:	n/a
Date of site survey:	04.02.15
Surveyors:	AG / KB
Weather/visibility:	Cloudy
LCA:	LCA 8 Chilterns Escarpment – Enclosed escarpment

# LCA 8 Chilterns Escarpment – Enclosed escarpment

- Scarp face dominated by dense woodland cover or a mosaic of open grassland, scrub and woodland;
- Predominantly semi-natural character with a series of broad-leaved woodlands of significant nature conservation value (many designated as Sites of Special Scientific Interest);
- Smooth scarp profile masked by roughly textured vegetation, with sombre, muted colours;
- Enclosed, intimate character within densely wooded areas;
- Semi-enclosed character and some views out across the vale from the scarp within areas of open grassland, scrub and woodland;
- Escarpment prominent in views but woodland cover helps to absorb prominent features and results in low intervisibility

## Landscape designations:

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Glimpses of small parts of site from Goring Road and	Road users	compatibility of mitigation:
Bridle Path (road)	Residents	Good existing structure
Houses	Walkers	
Glimpses from PRoW		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Houses	Small number of houses	Compatible
Views generally limited	Busy roads Local PRoW	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	In AONB, within village	
	Views from PRoW assumed to be those referred to in the	
	parish plan	
Panoramic views:		
None		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium / Low	Low
Visual sensitivity score:		•
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Flat	Paddock fencing	Roads fairly busy
	Garden fencing	Quiet behind houses
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	None seen, apart from non-native hedges to road frontages
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Glow of village Street lights along Goring Road and Bridle Path road
Water features:		1000
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Horse grazing and residential	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Trees belt to south western and south eastern	n/a	
boundaries		
Some individual trees internally		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Conifer hedgerows to road frontages	Houses on Goring Road and Bridle Path road	None
	Possible stable / shed internally	
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	Houses part of linear development along roads	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Trees within gardens and backing onto site	Enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None	Small scale
		Regular
		Some complexity
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Low	Medium / Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Woodcote
Character of the urban edge:
Largely well vegetated
Presence in a floodplain:
No
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Not typical of wider LCA 8; more typical of adjacent LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys / LCT Wooded Dipslope, being flatter, influenced by urban edge and with
low intervisibility
Character of adjacent village(s):
The village straddles the Chilterns scarp and sits approximately between the 145m and 180m contours with the highest point at Greenmoor Hill in the south. The
dipslope (quite steep in this location) falls to the east and the (in places less steep) escarpment falls to the west. The village is relatively scattered and made up of 19th
and 20th century housing with the older part focussed around the crossroads of Oxford Road and Reading Road in the north. The site is partly part of the linear
development on Goring and Bridle Path roads and extends back behind the linear built form.
Historic links with the wider area if known:
None
Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
Recreational links with the wider area:
None

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Valued views include:

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- View of Bridle Path stables and paddocks from Greenmore (not clear where this is)
- View of paddocks and Fox Covert woods from Beech lane (not clear where this is)
- View across woods and fields behind Bridal Path (assumed from PRoW)

Comments include protecting the open character of the village by protecting the open space on the village outskirts / rural edges and in particular:

- The War Memorial crossroads from development
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Site: WOO 12

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Site:	WOO 12
Site character areas:	n/a
Date of site survey:	04.02.15
Surveyors:	AG / KB
Weather/visibility:	Cloudy

## LCA: LCA 8 Chilterns Escarpment – Enclosed escarpment

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- Semi-enclosed character and some views out across the vale from the scarp within areas of open grassland, scrub and woodland;
- Escarpment prominent in views but woodland cover helps to absorb prominent features and results in low intervisibility

# LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys - Wooded dipslope

- Distinctive landform of plateaux dissected by a network of shallow, dry valleys;
- Heavily wooded character, including extensive stands of ancient, semi-natural broadleaved woodland, mature beech woods and more recent plantations;
- Strong structure of woodland and complex landform creates an intimate and enclosed character with a particular feeling of secrecy in some valleys;
- Distinctive pattern of winding rural roads, irregular field boundaries and scattered rural settlements, typical of 'ancient countryside';
- Generally rural and unspoilt character with only localised suburbanising influences within villages, along road corridors or around the fringes of the main settlements;
- Low intervisibility

# Landscape designations:

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
PRoW	Workers	compatibility of mitigation:
Goring Road – only small part glimpsed	Road users	Good existing structure
Houses	Residents	
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Didcot Power Station	Small number of houses	Compatible
	Local footpath	
	Busy road	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
None	local visual receptors):	
	AONB settlement edge	
	Views from PRoW assumed to be those referred to in the	
	parish plan	
Panoramic views:		
None		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium	Low
Visual sensitivity score:	·	
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

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Geological features: None	Historic landscapes: None	Tranquillity – Visual intrusion / detractors:  None seen, apart from non-native hedges to road
None	None	frontages
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity – Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Village glow
		Street lights along Goring Road and Bridle Path
		road
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Horse grazing	None	
Private house and garden on Goring Road		
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt to south west	n/a	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Internal gappy hedgerows	Sheds	None
Conifer hedge to north east boundary on road	House on Goring Road	
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	Scattered	

Som	nracter: ne trees to rear gardens adjacent to site	openness/enclosure: Enclosed
	ne trees to rear gardens adjacent to site	Enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover: Cul		
	Itural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None Nor	ne	Simple
		Regular
BAP/Phase I records: Fea	atures of cultural importance:	
Deciduous wood to south of site Nor	-	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
Luckmore / Valentine wood – Ancient and semi natural		
to south		
Other information		<u>.l</u>
Sensitivity score: Sen	nsitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low Low	v	Medium / Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Woodcote
Character of the urban edge:
Largely well vegetated
Presence in a floodplain:
No
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Not typical of wider LCA 8; somewhat typical of adjacent LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys / LCT Wooded Dipslope, being flatter, influenced by urban edge and
with low intervisibility
Character of adjacent village(s):
The village straddles the Chilterns scarp and sits approximately between the 145m and 180m contours with the highest point at Greenmoor Hill in the south. The
dipslope (quite steep in this location) falls to the east and the (in places less steep) escarpment falls to the west. The village is relatively scattered and made up of 19 <sup>th</sup>
and 20th century housing with the older part focussed around the crossroads of Oxford Road and Reading Road in the north. The site is partly part of the linear
development on Goring and Bridle Path roads and extends back behind the linear built form and with very low density development to south west.
Historic links with the wider area if known:
None
Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
Recreational links with the wider area:
None

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Protected views include:

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- Across the village green (not clear if this means from all directions)

Valued views include:

- The pastures behind the RC church (on South Stoke Road)
- View of Barns at Church lane (not clear where this is possibly Church Farm)
- View of Bridle Path stables and paddocks from Greenmore (not clear where this is)
- View of paddocks and Fox Covert woods from Beech lane (not clear where this is)
- View across woods and fields behind Bridal Path (assumed from PRoW)

Comments include protecting the open character of the village by protecting the open space on the village outskirts / rural edges and in particular:

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The rural aspect of the Black Lion side of Greenmore

Site: WOO 13

### **SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET**

Site:	WOO 13	
Site character areas:	n/a	
Date of site survey:	04.02.15	
Surveyors:	AG / KB	
Weather/visibility:	Partly cloudy	
LCA:	LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys – Wooded dipslope	

- Distinctive landform of plateaux dissected by a network of shallow, dry valleys;
- Heavily wooded character, including extensive stands of ancient, semi-natural broadleaved woodland, mature beech woods and more recent plantations;
- Strong structure of woodland and complex landform creates an intimate and enclosed character with a particular feeling of secrecy in some valleys;
- Distinctive pattern of winding rural roads, irregular field boundaries and scattered rural settlements, typical of 'ancient countryside';
- Generally rural and unspoilt character with only localised suburbanising influences within villages, along road corridors or around the fringes of the main settlements;
- Low intervisibility

# Landscape designations:

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Houses	Residents	compatibility of mitigation:
PROW	Walkers	Good structure
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Long views to Didcot Power Station	Small number of houses Local footpath	Compatible
Does the site form part of a skyline? No	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual receptors): AONB settlement edge Views from PRoW assumed to be those referred to in the parish plan	
Panoramic views:		
None		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium	Low
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gently sloping from east to west	Post and rail fence	Quiet
, , -	Post and wire fence	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Currently some spoil mounds
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Village glow
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Horse grazing	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
None	n/a	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Gappy hedgerow to north west and internally	Sheds / stables	Yes, along south east boundary
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
Adjacent to south	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	Clustered in north east corner	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Some trees in back gardens	Semi-enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None	Simple

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
		Regular
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
Deciduous woodland to east and south	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
Ancient replanted woodland to east and south		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Low	Medium / Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Woodcote
Character of the urban edge:
Largely well vegetated
Presence in a floodplain:
No
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Somewhat typical of LCA and with links to countryside to south west
Character of adjacent village(s):
The village straddles the Chilterns scarp and sits approximately between the 145m and 180m contours with the highest point at Greenmoor Hill in the south. The
dipslope (quite steep in this location) falls to the east and the (in places less steep) escarpment falls to the west. The village is relatively scattered and made up of 19th
and 20th century housing with the older part focussed around the crossroads of Oxford Road and Reading Road in the north. The site extends back behind the linear
built form along Bridle Path road its southern part extends into the low density edge of settlement to the south east
Historic links with the wider area if known:
None
Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
Recreational links with the wider area:
None
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Protected views include:

- From Greenmore Farm to Reading
- To Didcot and Wallingford from South Stoke Lane
- Across the village green (not clear if this means from all directions)

Valued views include:

- The pastures behind the RC church (on South Stoke Road)
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- View of Bridle Path stables and paddocks from Greenmore (not clear where this is)
- View of paddocks and Fox Covert woods from Beech lane (not clear where this is)
- View across woods and fields behind Bridal Path (assumed from PRoW)

Comments include protecting the open character of the village by protecting the open space on the village outskirts / rural edges and in particular:

- The War Memorial crossroads from development
- Views across Church Farm to fields beyond (not clear what is referred to here as fields to north of Church Farm not visible from Reading Road)

The rural aspect of the Black Lion side of Greenmore

Site: WOO 15

### SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LANDSCAPE CAPACITY STUDY 2015 RECORD SHEET

Site:	WOO 15
Site character areas:	n/a
Date of site survey:	04.02.15
Surveyors:	AG / KB
Weather/visibility:	Cloudy
LCA:	LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys - Wooded dipslope

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- Strong structure of woodland and complex landform creates an intimate and enclosed character with a particular feeling of secrecy in some valleys;
- Distinctive pattern of winding rural roads, irregular field boundaries and scattered rural settlements, typical of 'ancient countryside';
- Generally rural and unspoilt character with only localised suburbanising influences within villages, along road corridors or around the fringes of the main settlements;
- Low intervisibility

# Landscape designations:

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Houses	Residents	compatibility of mitigation:
Open views of south west part of site from Greenmore road; glimpses of rest of site	Road users	Good existing structure
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Elevated views to east	Small number of houses	Compatible
Communications mast to south	Local road	·
Does the site form part of a skyline? Possible from lower ground to east	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of local visual receptors):  AONB settlement edge  Rural aspect of east side of Greenmore referred to in the parish plan	
Panoramic views: Possible from eastern side		
Landmark features: None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium	Medium	Medium / Low
Visual sensitivity score: Medium	1	1
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gently sloping / undulating, edge of plateau, top of	Post and rail fence	Intermittent traffic
dipslope	Post and wire fence	But generally peaceful
	Chain-link fence	
	Cbf	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Communication mast to south-west
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Street lights on Greenmore and glow of village
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Grazing / stable yard	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
None	n/a	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerow along part of road frontage, part of northern	Stables	None
boundary and hedgerow with trees along south eastern		
boundary		
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
Adjacent to southern boundary	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	Isolated in south part of site	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
	Garden to northern boundary has trees and hedges to	Semi-enclosed
	shared boundary	
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity - landscape pattern:
None	None	Regular, small with some complexity
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
Deciduous woodland to south of site	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
lesignation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Low	Medium / Low
andscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Woodcote
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Character of the urban edge:
Houses on west side of Greenmore road are openly visible. Houses enveloped by site and to the north of the site are well vegetated.
Presence in a floodplain:
No
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Somewhat typical of LCA and with some link to countryside to east
Character of adjacent village(s):
The village straddles the Chilterns scarp and sits approximately between the 145m and 180m contours with the highest point at Greenmoor Hill in the south. The
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and 20th century housing with the older part focussed around the crossroads of Oxford Road and Reading Road in the north. The site extends back to the edge of
settlement set by the low density development to the north of the site and is just contained on the plateau without extending down the dipslope.
Historic links with the wider area if known:
None
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Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
Recreational links with the wider area:
None

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Valued views include:

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Site:	125
Site character areas:	n/a
Date of site survey:	04.02.15
Surveyors:	AG / KB
Weather/visibility:	Cloudy
LCA:	LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys

- Distinctive landform of plateaux dissected by a network of shallow, dry valleys;
- Heavily wooded character, including extensive stands of ancient, semi-natural broadleaved woodland, mature beech woods and more recent plantations;
- Strong structure of woodland and complex landform creates an intimate and enclosed character with a particular feeling of secrecy in some valleys;
- Distinctive pattern of winding rural roads, irregular field boundaries and scattered rural settlements, typical of 'ancient countryside';
- Generally rural and unspoilt character with only localised suburbanising influences within villages, along road corridors or around the fringes of the main settlements;
- Low intervisibility

## Landscape designations:

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Goring Road	Road users	compatibility of mitigation:
Houses opposite	Residents	Good structure
Glimpses from PRoW to north west and south east	Walkers	
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Wooded edge to south east	Few houses Local PRoWs	Compatible
	Busy road	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
None	local visual receptors): AONB, village approach, but works yard	
Panoramic views:		
None		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium / Low	Low
Visual sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform: Gently sloping	Boundary features other than vegetation: Chain-link fence Cbf	Tranquillity – Noise levels: Busy road Noise in yard
Geological features: None	Historic landscapes: None	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors: Works yard
Soil quality: Grade 3	Parkland features: None	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:  Dark
Water features: None		
Landcover and land use: Works yard Storage	Conservation Area: None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees: None	Landscape features of CA:	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees: Hedgerows and hedgerow trees to north west along road, southern edge partly hedged	Built form: Barn Porta cabin Containers Sheds	Accessibility by public footpath: None
Woodland and copses: None	Setting of listed buildings: None	Open access areas: None
Wetland and meadow: None	Scheduled Ancient Monuments: None	Recreational areas: None
Common land: None	Settlement pattern: Scattered	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Some trees in garden to south	Semi-enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None	Small, discordant
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
Deciduous woodland across Goring Road	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
Ancient replanted woodland across Goring Road		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Low	Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Woodcote
Character of the urban edge:
Well vegetated
Presence in a floodplain:
No
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Not typical of LCA being currently used as a works yard
Character of adjacent village(s):
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and 20th century housing with the older part focussed around the crossroads of Oxford Road and Reading Road in the north. The site is beyond the main village
envelope but part of a cluster of low density houses at Shirvells Hill. The site extends back behind the linear built form along Goring Road.
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None
Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
Recreational links with the wider area:
None
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Site:	305
Site character areas:	n/a
Date of site survey:	04.02.15
Surveyors:	AG / KB
Weather/visibility:	Cloudy
LCA:	LCA 8 Chilterns Escarpment - Enclosed escarpment

# LCA 8 Chilterns Escarpment – Enclosed escarpment

- Scarp face dominated by dense woodland cover or a mosaic of open grassland, scrub and woodland;
- Predominantly semi-natural character with a series of broad-leaved woodlands of significant nature conservation value (many designated as Sites of Special Scientific Interest);
- Smooth scarp profile masked by roughly textured vegetation, with sombre, muted colours;
- Enclosed, intimate character within densely wooded areas;
- Semi-enclosed character and some views out across the vale from the scarp within areas of open grassland, scrub and woodland;
- Escarpment prominent in views but woodland cover helps to absorb prominent features and results in low intervisibility

### Landscape designations:

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Houses	Residents	compatibility of mitigation:
Glimpses of driveway and south west corner of site	Walkers	Good existing structure
from Beech Lane	Road users	
Possible views from PRoW to south, but largely screened		
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Woodland to south	Low, site largely screened	Compatible with local character
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
Yes from PRoW to East	local visual receptors):	
	AONB but within village	
Panoramic views:		
none		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium / Low	Low
Visual sensitivity score:	1	1
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Sloping to south-east towards dry valley	Divided by post and rail fence and post and wire fence	Quiet
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Fencing
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity – Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Glow of village
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Paddocks (possibly for goats – property is called 'Goats Gambol) and house	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Individual trees towards eastern edge	n/a	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Conifer hedgerow to south east boundary	House and garage	None
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
Adjacent to south west	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	Cluster	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Adjacent non-native hedges (WOO 8)	Enclosed

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None	Complex
		Small, irregular
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
Deciduous woodland to south boundary	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
Ancient and semi natural wood abuts		
South west corner only		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Low	Medium / Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Woodcote
Character of the urban edge:
Largely well vegetated
Presence in a floodplain:
No
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Not typical of LCA; currently closely associated with residential curtilage, though has some relationship with valley landscape to south
Character of adjacent village(s):
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and 20th century housing with the older part focussed around the crossroads of Oxford Road and Reading Road in the north. The site is part of the linear development
along Beech Road.
Historic links with the wider area if known:
None
Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
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Recreational links with the wider area:
None

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Site:	306
Site character areas:	n/a
Date of site survey:	04.02.15
Surveyors:	AG / KB
Weather/visibility:	Cloudy
LCA:	LCA 10 Chilterns Plateau with Valleys – Wooded dipslope

- Distinctive landform of plateaux dissected by a network of shallow, dry valleys;
- Heavily wooded character, including extensive stands of ancient, semi-natural broadleaved woodland, mature beech woods and more recent plantations;
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## Landscape designations:

General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Ward's Farm industrial park to north	Workers	compatibility of mitigation:
Greenmore road – glimpses through gate	Road users	Good existing structure
Houses; views possible from countryside to south east (within AONB), though publicly accessible viewpoints are very limited	Residents	
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Elevated, long views to east from within site	Small number of houses	Compatible
-	Moderately busy road	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
Possible from lower ground to east, though not publicly	local visual receptors):	
accessible	AONB settlement edge	
Panoramic views:		
Possible from east part of site		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium / Low	Medium / Low
Visual sensitivity score:	•	•
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gently sloping / undulating, edge of plateau, top of	Post and rail fence	Intermittent traffic, some activity in industrial park
dipslope	Post and wire fence	Otherwise peaceful
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Adjacent industrial buildings
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity - Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Street lights Possible industrial park lights
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Rough grassland	None	
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
None	n/a	
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Gappy hedgerow to north boundary	None	None
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
None	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	None	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Some trees in adjacent garden to south	Enclosed at west and open at eastern edge
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
None	None	Simple regular
		Small
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
None	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
None		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Low	Low
Landscape sensitivity score:		
Low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Woodcote
Character of the urban edge:
Houses on west side of Greenmore road are openly visible.
Presence in a floodplain:
No
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Somewhat typical of LCA and with some link to countryside to east
Character of adjacent village(s):
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None
Ecological links with the wider area if known:
None
Recreational links with the wider area:
None

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General visibility	Population	Mitigation potential
Views into the site from:	Types of viewers:	Opportunities for mitigation and landscape
Road	Residents	compatibility of mitigation:
Houses	Walkers	Good structure
PRoW to south east	Road users	
Views out of the site to:	Magnitude of viewers (level of use and popularity):	Impacts of mitigation:
Wooded ridge to south east	Small number of houses	Compatible but may result in loss of long views
	Busy road	
Does the site form part of a skyline?	Visual perceptions (activity and expectations of	
No	local visual receptors):	
	AONB at gateway to village	
Panoramic views:		
None		
Landmark features:		
None		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Medium / Low	Low
Visual sensitivity score:	·	•
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
Topography and landform:	Boundary features other than vegetation:	Tranquillity - Noise levels:
Gently sloping south east to north west	Post and rail fence	Busy road, intermittently quiet
	Post and wire fence	
Geological features:	Historic landscapes:	Tranquillity - Visual intrusion / detractors:
None	None	Sheds/ horse boxes, equestrian paraphernalia
Soil quality:	Parkland features:	Tranquillity – Light pollution/dark skies:
Grade 3	None	Street lights further to north
Water features:		
None		
Landcover and land use:	Conservation Area:	
Paddocks	None	
Garden		
Tree belts, individual trees and riverside trees:	Landscape features of CA:	
Tree belt to south and north east	n/a	
Individual trees in garden		
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees:	Built form:	Accessibility by public footpath:
Hedgerows and hedgerow trees north west	House	None
	Stables	
	Sheds	
Woodland and copses:	Setting of listed buildings:	Open access areas:
Adjacent to south	None	None
Wetland and meadow:	Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	Recreational areas:
None	None	None
Common land:	Settlement pattern:	
None	Cluster	
Heathland:	Contribution of private gardens to landscape	Aesthetic sensitivity - Elements of

Natural factors	Cultural factors	Perceptual features
None	character:	openness/enclosure:
	Few trees and hedges	Enclosed
Other significant vegetation cover:	Cultural associations:	Aesthetic sensitivity – landscape pattern:
None	None	Small scale
		Partly irregular
BAP/Phase I records:	Features of cultural importance:	
Deciduous woodland to east and west	None	
Presence of SSSI/SINC/local wildlife		
designation/Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland:		
Ancient replanted woodland to east		
Ancient and semi natural woodland to west		
Other information		
Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:	Sensitivity score:
Medium / Low	Low	Medium / Low
Landscape sensitivity score:	•	<u>'</u>
Medium / Low		
Additional comments:		

Adjacent settlement:
Woodcote
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Character of the urban edge:
Well vegetated
Presence in a floodplain:
No
Relationship with adjacent wider countryside:
Typical of LCA and with strong links to countryside to east and south
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