Summary Landscape Assessment – North East of Stevenage

The landscape is of a largely rural, quiet and remote character of gently sloping plateau, parkland landscape and woodland patches which would be vulnerable to the addition of further built or urbanizing features. This is a well wooded character area, with predominantly ancient deciduous woodland. Removal or poor management of these would be detrimental to the character of the area.

The traditional character of Weston village would be vulnerable to inappropriate or unsympathetic development and any development not in scale with the village. Electricity pylons are a prominent feature through the south of the area and are an existing detractor.

Overall the landscape within the area (Weston Plateau Parklands LCA220) is considered to be of **moderate sensitivity**. The gentle sloping plateau, parkland landscape and woodland patches create an enclosed, quiet character area. However the northern edge of Stevenage is a detractor.

In visual terms, the area is considered to be of **moderate sensitivity**. Views within the character area across the parkland landscape would be sensitive to the introduction of built or urbanizing features. The relatively flat plateau landscape creates open views punctuated or framed by woodland. The small woodlands, shelterbelts and hedge banks break up the views across the landscape and create a sense of enclosure in and.

Overall the area is considered to be of **moderate landscape value**. Aspects of particular value are the relative intactness of the parkland landscape and the condition and extent of the woodland blocks.

Area name 148 Field east of Round Wood
OS grid ref
Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
Photographs
Land Use: Agriculture Enclosure & pattern: Reasonable sense of enclosure
Sense of enclosure: Yes
Presence & size of populations: on urban fringe but presence not noticeable. Mitigation potential of visual impacts: moderate
Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

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Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High		
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people		

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix	(High = Anci	ent, Moderat	e = Historic,	Low/Very Lov	w = Planned)
	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Landscape Scale	Medium	3 High	2 Moderate	Low 1 Moderate	1 Low
	Small	3 High	3 High	2 Moderate	2 Moderate
		Unsettled	Ancient	Pastoral	Arable

Landscape Pattern

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

 Land use
 1
 2
 2

 U/V
 1
 1
 2

 Uniform
 0
 1
 1

 Uniform
 U/V
 Varied

Tree Cover

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Consistency

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	х
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	х

Total 3

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

	3		
1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating				
	High	Moderate	Low	Low
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate

Low Moderate High

Date June 08	Area name S 149 Tilekiln Wood /
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Flat Landcover: Woods Tree cover: 80% Settlement form and pattern: Urban fringe	Land Use: Woodland Enclosure & pattern: Enclosed
Edge of settlement: Yes Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: Yes
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: Warrensgreen lane and from housing / footpaths Short views out: Self contained Long views out: No Long views in: No	Presence & size of populations: On southern boundary Mitigation potential of visual impacts: High
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

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Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High			
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people			

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix (High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned) 2 0 3 Large High Moderate Very Low Low Landscape Scale 3 2 Low Medium High Moderate ----1----Low Moderate 3 3 2 2 Small High High Moderate Moderate Unsettled Ancient Arable Pastoral Landscape Pattern

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

1 2 2 Varied Land use U/V2 1 1 0 1 1 Uniform Uniform U/VVaried

Tree Cover

Consistency

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	З	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	x

Total 7

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

		9		
1-4	1	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low Ser	sitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

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Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High
	Wildlife site	

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Lanuscape capacity assessment rating					
	High	Moderate	Low	Low	
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low	
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate	

Low Moderate High

Date June 08	Area name S 150 – Field south of Harbourclose Wood
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Flat Landcover: Crops Tree cover: Some boundary trees / woodland / hedgerow Settlement form and pattern: outside settlement	Land Use: Agriculture Enclosure & pattern: Part of larger field pattern – semi enclosed
Edge of settlement: No Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: moderate
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: partial from PROW Short views out: No Long views out: No Long views in: No	Presence & size of populations: Sparse Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Moderate
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

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Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High			
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people			

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

		2	1	0	0
	Other	Moderate	Low	Very Low	Very Low
		3	2	1	0
Woodland	Wooded	High	Moderate	Low	Very Low
		4	3	2	1
	Trees and woods	Very High	High	Moderate	Low
		Marginal	Good	Marginal	Good
		pasture	pasture	arable	arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix (High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned) 2 0 3 Large High Moderate Very Low Low Landscape Scale 2 Low Medium High Moderate ----1----Low Moderate 3 3 2 2 Small High High Moderate Moderate Unsettled Ancient Pastoral Arable

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

Landscape Pattern

1 2 2 Varied Land use U/V1 2 1 0 1 1 Uniform Uniform U/VVaried

Tree Cover

Consistency

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	x

Total 4

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

		9		
	1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low S	Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating							
	High	Moderate	Low	Low			
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low			
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate			

Low Moderate High

Date Ju 08	Area name S 154 Field south of and including Claypits Wood
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies:	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Flat Landcover: Crops Tree cover: Block of woodland in north eastern corner and boundary trees / hedgerow. Settlement form and pattern: Integral part of field pattern	Land Use: Agriculture Enclosure & pattern: Substantially enclosed
Edge of settlement: No Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: Moderate
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: From part of Warrensgreen Lane Short views out: No Long views out: No Long views in: No	Presence & size of populations: Low Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Moderate
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

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Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuse			

	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Landscape Scale	Medium	3 High	2 Moderate	Low 1 Moderate	1 Low
Sn		3 High	3 High	2 Moderate	2 Moderate

Unsettled Ancient Pastoral Arable

Landscape Pattern

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

 Varied
 1
 2
 2

 Land use
 U / V
 1
 1
 2

 Uniform
 0
 1
 1

 Uniform
 U/V
 Varied

Tree Cover

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Consistency

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x

Total 5

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

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	1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12		
	Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development		

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquility or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High
	Wildlife site, Ecosite,	
	Area of wildlife	

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating							
	High	Moderate	Low	Low			
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low			
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate			

Low Moderate High

Date July 08	Area name S 155
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies:	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Flat Landcover: Crops Tree cover: Some woodland on southern boundary Settlement form and pattern: Sparse	Land Use: Agriculture Enclosure & pattern:
Edge of settlement: No Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: not really
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: Not really Short views out: Not really Long views out: Not really Long views in: Not really	Presence & size of populations: Low Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Moderate
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
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Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
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	' 	4	3	2	. 1
	Trees and woods	Very High	High	Moderate	Low
		Marginal	Good	Marginal	Good
		pasture	pasture	arable	arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix	(High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned)
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	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Landscape Scale	Medium	3 High	2 Moderate	Low 1 Moderate	1 Low
Sm		3 High	3 High	2 Moderate	2 Moderate

Unsettled Ancient Pastoral Arable

Landscape Pattern

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

	Varied	1	2	2
Land use	U/V	1	1	2
	Uniform	0	1	1

Uniform U/V Varied

Tree Cover

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

Continuity	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Consistency

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	Ω	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x

Total 4

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

		9		
	1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low S	Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

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В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	A + B
Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
	1 point = Moderate
	2 points = High

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating					
	High	Moderate	Low	Low	
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low	
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate	

Low Moderate High

Date July 08	Area name S 157 –Field east of Tilekiln Wood
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Flat Landcover: Grass Tree cover: Woodland boundary to east and hedgerow on northern boundary. Settlement form and pattern:	Land Use: Horse grazing? Enclosure & pattern: Partially enclosed – open to the south.
Edge of settlement: only to Tilekiln Farm Completeness of edge: No	Sense of enclosure: Partial
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: From field to the south Short views out: To field to the south Long views out: No Long views in: No	Presence & size of populations: Low Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Moderate
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

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Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High		
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people		

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

	2	1	0	0
Other	Moderate	Low	Very Low	Very Low
				•
	3	2	1	0
Wooded	High	Moderate	Low	Very Low
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	1	3	2	1
Trees and woods	•		_	Low
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	-			Good
	pasture	pasture	arable	arable
	Landuse			
		Other Moderate Wooded High	Other Moderate Low Wooded High Moderate Trees and woods Very High High Marginal pasture Good pasture	Other Moderate Low Very Low Wooded High Moderate Low Trees and woods Very High High Moderate Marginal pasture Good pasture arable

Continuity matrix (High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned) 2 0 3 Large High Moderate Very Low Low Landscape Scale 3 2 Low Medium High Moderate ----1----Low Moderate 3 3 2 2 Small High High Moderate Moderate Unsettled Ancient Pastoral Arable

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

Landscape Pattern

2

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 Varied
 1
 2

 Land use
 U / V
 1
 1

 Uniform
 0
 1

Uniform U/V Varied

Tree Cover

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable
		Cor	sistency	

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	х
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	х

Total 5

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

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1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12		
Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development		

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High
	Wildlife site, Ecosite	

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating					
	High	Moderate	Low	Low	
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low	
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate	

Low Moderate High

Date June 08	Area name S 158 Field south west of Friend's Green Farm
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Flat Landcover: Crops Tree cover: Strong boundary trees and hedgerow screen Settlement form and pattern: Sparse	Land Use: Agriculture Enclosure & pattern: Well screened from the road
Edge of settlement: Not really Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: Fair
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: Not really – from crossroads on south eastern corner. Short views out: No Long views out: No Long views in: No	Presence & size of populations: Low Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Moderate
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

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Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High		
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people		

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

		2	1	0	0
	Other	Moderate	Low	Very Low	Very Low
		3	2	1	0
Woodland	Wooded	High	Moderate	Low	Very Low
		4	3	2	1
	Trees and woods	Very High	High	Moderate	Low
		Marginal	Good	Marginal	Good
		pasture	pasture	arable	arable
		Landuas			
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix	(High = Anci	ent, Moderat	e = Historic,	Low/Very Lov	w = Planned)
	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Landscape Scale	Medium	3 High	2 Moderate	Low 1 Moderate	1 Low
	Small	3 High	3 High	2 Moderate	2 Moderate
		Unsettled	Ancient	Pastoral	Arable
			Landsca	pe Pattern	

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

 Varied
 1
 2
 2

 Land use
 U / V
 1
 1
 2

 Uniform
 0
 1
 1

Uniform U/V Varied

Tree Cover

Consistency

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x

Total 6

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

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1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Lanuscape Capacity assessment rating					
	High	Moderate	Low	Low	
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low	
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate	

Low Moderate High

Date July 08	Area name S 159 Grazed field north west of Friend's Green Farm
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies:	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Flat / gently undulating Landcover: Grass Tree cover: Some boundary tree and hedgerow and small copse in centre Settlement form and pattern: Sparse	Land Use: Grazing Enclosure & pattern: Partially enclosed
Edge of settlement: No Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: Partial
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: From adjacent fields and from Damask Road Short views out: to adjacent field Long views out: No Long views in: No	Presence & size of populations: Low Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Moderate
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

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Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High				
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people				

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix	(High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned)				
	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Landscape Scale	Medium	3 High	2 Moderate	Low 1 Moderate	1 Low
	Small	3 High	3 High	2 Moderate	2 Moderate
		Unsettled	Ancient	Pastoral	Arable

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

Landscape Pattern

2

2

1

 Land use
 1
 2

 U / V
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Uniform U / V Varied

Tree Cover

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	
		Unified	Coherent	Variable	
	Consistency				

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x

Total 6

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

		9		
1-4		5-6	7-8	9-12
Low Sens	sitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High
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Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating							
	High	Moderate	Low	Low			
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low			
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate			

Low Moderate High

Date July 08	Area name S 160 – Field east of Friend's Green Farm
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Flat Landcover: Crops Tree cover: Woodland on eastern boundary Settlement form and pattern: Sparse	Land Use: Agriculture Enclosure & pattern: Open on northern boundary to adjacent field and to the road
Edge of settlement: Only to farmhouse Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: Reasonable
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: From Damask Green Road Short views out: Not really Long views out: Not really Long views in: Not really	Presence & size of populations: Low Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Moderate
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

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Views in	Views in Cow Low		2 High				
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people				

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix	(High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned)					
	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	
Landscape Scale	Medium	3 High	2 Moderate	Low 1 Moderate	1 Low	
	Small	3 High	3 High	2 Moderate	2 Moderate	
		Unsettled	Ancient	Pastoral	Arable	

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

Landscape Pattern

2 2 1 Varied U / VLand use 1 1 2 0 1 1 Uniform Uniform U/VVaried

Tree Cover

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

Continuity	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	
	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	
		Unified	Coherent	Variable	
		Consistency			

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	х

Total 5

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

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1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

A	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating						
	High	Moderate	Low	Low		
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low		
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate		

Low Moderate High

Date June 08	Area name S 161
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Flat Landcover: Cut grass / pasture Tree cover: Some field trees Hedgerow boundary to road. Settlement form and pattern: Sparse	Land Use: Grazing Enclosure & pattern: Part of coherent field pattern.
Edge of settlement: Part of Kiln Farm Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: Good
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: No Short views out: No Long views out: No Long views in: No	Presence & size of populations: Low Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Moderate
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

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Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix (High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned) 2 0 3 Large High Moderate Very Low Low Landscape Scale 2 Low Medium High Moderate ----1----Low Moderate 3 3 2 2 Small High High Moderate Moderate Unsettled Ancient Pastoral Arable

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

Landscape Pattern

1 2 2 Varied Land use U/V1 2 1 0 1 1 Uniform Uniform U/VVaried

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Tree Cover

Consistency

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	х
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	х

Total 5

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

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1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High
	Wildlife site, Ecosite	

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating					
	High	Moderate	Low	Low	
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low	
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate	

Low Moderate High

Date June 08	Area name S 162 The Bungalows
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Flat Landcover: Crops Tree cover: Woodland on eastern boundary Settlement form and pattern: Sparse	Land Use: Agriculture Enclosure & pattern: Part of unified field pattern
Edge of settlement: Single cottage Completeness of edge:	Sense of enclosure: Screened by bank and hedge from the road
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: Only from adjacent field Short views out: Only to adjacent field Long views out: no Long views in: no	Presence & size of populations: Sparse Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Moderate
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

	•			
Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High	
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people	

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix	(High = Anci	(High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned)				
	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	
Landscape Scale	Medium	3 High	2 Moderate	Low 1 Moderate	1 Low	
	Small	3 High	3 High	2 Moderate	2 Moderate	
		Unsettled	Ancient	Pastoral	Arable	
			Landsca	pe Pattern		

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

2 2 1 Varied U / VLand use 1 1 2 0 1 1 Uniform Uniform U/VVaried

Tree Cover

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Consistency

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	x

Total 4

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

1-4 5-6		7-8	9-12	
Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development	

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating					
	High	Moderate	Low	Low	
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low	
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate	

Low Moderate High

Date June 08	Area name S 163 Warrensgreen Wood
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Flat Landcover: Woodland Tree cover: Dense Settlement form and pattern: Sparse	Land Use: Woodland Enclosure & pattern: Self enclosed
Edge of settlement: No Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: High
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: prominent from the road Short views out: no Long views out: no Long views in: no	Presence & size of populations: Low Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Low
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

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Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High			
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people			

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix	(High = Anci	ent, Moderat	e = Historic,	Low/Very Lov	w = Planned)
	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Landscape Scale	Medium	3 High	2 Moderate	Low 1 Moderate	1 Low
	Small	3 High	3 High	2 Moderate	2 Moderate
		Unsettled	Ancient	Pastoral	Arable
			Landsca	pe Pattern	

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

2 2 1 Varied U / VLand use 1 1 2 0 1 1 Uniform Uniform U/VVaried

Tree Cover

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable
		Cor	sistency	

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	x

Total 7

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

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1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating					
	High	Moderate	Low	Low	
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low	
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate	

Low Moderate High

Date June 08	Area name S 164 Field south of Warrensgreen Wood
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Flat Landcover: Crops Tree cover: Woodland on northern boundary and hedgerow screen along road. Settlement form and pattern: Sparse	Land Use: Agriculture Enclosure & pattern: Semi enclosed / open in character and integral part of field pattern
Edge of settlement: Abuts north Stevenage Completeness of edge: yes	Sense of enclosure: reasonably good
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: From PROWS Short views out: not really Long views out: to the south Long views in: from the south	Presence & size of populations: North Stevenage on southern border Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Moderate
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

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Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High		
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people		

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuse			

	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Landscape Scale	Medium	3 High	2 Moderate	Low 1 Moderate	1 Low
	Small	3 High	3 High	2 Moderate	2 Moderate

Unsettled Ancient Pastoral Arable

Landscape Pattern

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

 Land use
 1
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 U/V
 1
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 Uniform
 0
 1
 1

 Uniform
 U/V
 Varied

Tree Cover

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Consistency

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	x

Total 5

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

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1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

A	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Lanuscape capacity assessment rating					
	High	Moderate	Low	Low	
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low	
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate	

Low Moderate High

Date June 08	Area name S 165 – Dell Spring
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Flatish Landcover: Grass and trees Tree cover: Copse in centre of field Settlement form and pattern: Not far from north stevenage	Land Use: Pasture Enclosure & pattern: Integrated with surrounding field pattern
Edge of settlement: Next to Kiln End Farm Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: Good
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: No Short views out: No Long views out: No Long views in: No	Presence & size of populations: Low Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Moderate
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

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Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High			
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people			

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix (High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned) 2 0 3 Large High Moderate Very Low Low Landscape Scale 2 Low Medium High Moderate ----1----Low Moderate 3 3 2 2 Small High High Moderate Moderate Unsettled Ancient Pastoral Arable

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

Landscape Pattern

1 2 2 Varied Land use U/V2 1 1 0 1 1 Uniform Uniform U/VVaried

Tree Cover

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Consistency

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	x

Total 5

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

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1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12		
Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development		

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High
	Wildlife site, Ecosite	

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Lanuscape Capacity assessment rating					
	High	Moderate	Low	Low	
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low	
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate	

Low Moderate High

Date June 08	Area name Field east of Tilekiln Wood
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Flat Landcover: Crops Tree cover: Woodland on eastern boundary Settlement form and pattern: Sparse	Land Use: Agriculture Enclosure & pattern: Open in character
Edge of settlement: No Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: Not really
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: From adjacent fields Short views out: To adjacent fields Long views out: No Long views in: No	Presence & size of populations: Mitigation potential of visual impacts:
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

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Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High		
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people		

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

		2	1	0	0
	Other	Moderate	Low	Very Low	Very Low
		moderate	2011	10.7 20.1	10.7 20
		3	2	1	0
Woodland	Wooded	High	Moderate	Low	Very Low
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	·	4	3	2	1
	Trees and woods	Very High	High	Moderate	Low
	11000 and Woods	vory riigir	i iigii	Moderate	2011
		Marginal	Good	Marginal	Good
		-		arable	arable
		pasture	pasture	arable	arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix (High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned) 2 0 3 Large High Moderate Very Low Low Landscape Scale 3 2 Low Medium High Moderate ----1----Low Moderate 3 3 2 2 Small High High Moderate Moderate Unsettled Ancient Arable Pastoral

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

Landscape Pattern

Varied

Land use

Varied	1	2	2
U/V	1	1	2
Uniform	0	1	1

Tree Cover

U/V

Uniform

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned
Continuity	Historic
	Ancient

2	1	0
Moderate	Low	Very Low
3	2	1
High	Moderate	Low
4	3	2
Very High	High	Moderate

Unified Coherent Variable

Consistency

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	x

Total 3

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

•	1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low 9	Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High
	Wildlife site, Ecosite	

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating					
	High	Moderate	Low	Low	
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low	
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate	

Low Moderate High

Date June 08	Area name S 167 The Thatched Cottage
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Flat Landcover: Grass Tree cover: Woodland boundaries Settlement form and pattern: Sparse	Land Use: Residential Enclosure & pattern: Enclosed by woodland and hedgerow
Edge of settlement: Cottage on site Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: Good
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: From Road Short views out: To Road Long views out: No Long views in: No	Presence & size of populations: Small settlement Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Moderate
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

Tooling manning							
Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High				
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people				

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix (High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned) 2 0 3 Large High Moderate Very Low Low Landscape Scale 3 2 Low Medium High Moderate ----1----Low Moderate 2 3 3 2 Small High High Moderate Moderate Unsettled Ancient Arable Pastoral

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

Landscape Pattern

	Varied	1	2	2
Land use	U/V	1	1	2
	Uniform	0	1	1
	·	Uniform	U/V	Varied

Tree Cover

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable
		Cor	nsistency	

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	x

Total 4

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

	3		
1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating					
	High	Moderate	Low	Low	
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low	
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate	

Low Moderate High

Date June 08	Area name S 168
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Flat / undulating Landcover: Crops Tree cover: Hedgerow boundary to road Settlement form and pattern: Sparse	Land Use: Agriculture Enclosure & pattern: Open in character
Edge of settlement: No Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: Partial although screened from road.
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: No Short views out: No Long views out: To south and west Long views in: From fields to south and west	Presence & size of populations: Mitigation potential of visual impacts:
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix	(High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned)
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	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Landscape Scale	Medium	3 High	2 Moderate	Low 1 Moderate	1 Low
	Small	3 High	3 High	2 Moderate	2 Moderate

Unsettled Ancient Pastoral Arable

Landscape Pattern

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

 Varied
 1
 2
 2

 Land use
 U / V
 1
 1
 2

 Uniform
 0
 1
 1
 1

Uniform U/V Varied

Tree Cover

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Consistency

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	х

Total 5

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High
Electricity pylons		

Landscape capacity assessment rating

	High	Moderate	Low	Low
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate
		Low	Moderate	High
		Lar	dscape value	

Date June 08	Area name S 169 Field south of Long Plantation		
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref		
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES			
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.		
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs		
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY			
Landform: Flat Landcover: Crops Tree cover: Boundary trees and hedgerow Settlement form and pattern:	Land Use: Agriculture Enclosure & pattern: Open in character due to size.		
Edge of settlement: No Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: Reasonable		
VISUAL SENSITIVITY			
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: No Short views out: No Long views out: Not really Long views in: Not really	Presence & size of populations: Low Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Moderate		
VALUE			
National designations:	Local designations		

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

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Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High		
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people		

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

		2	1	0	0
	Other	Moderate	Low	Very Low	Very Low
		3	2	1	0
Woodland	Wooded	High	Moderate	Low	Very Low
		4	3	2	1
	Trees and woods	Very High	High	Moderate	Low
		Marginal	Good	Marginal	Good
		pasture	pasture	arable	arable
		Landuaa			
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix	(High = Anci	ent, Moderat	e = Historic,	Low/Very Lov	w = Planned)
	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Landscape Scale	Medium	3 High	2 Moderate	Low 1 Moderate	1 Low
	Small	3 High	3 High	2 Moderate	2 Moderate
		Unsettled	Ancient	Pastoral	Arable

Landscape Pattern

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

 Varied
 1
 2
 2

 Land use
 U / V
 1
 1
 2

 Uniform
 0
 1
 1

 Uniform
 U / V
 Varied

Tree Cover

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Consistency

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	х

Total 4

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

		9		
	1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low S	Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

A	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating							
	High	Moderate	Low	Low			
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low			
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate			

Low Moderate High

Date June 08	Area name S 170 Leatherwells
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Undulating Landcover: Crops Tree cover: Boundary screen along roadside Settlement form and pattern: Sparse	Land Use: Agriculture Enclosure & pattern: Integral part of field pattern
Edge of settlement: No Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: Open in character
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: No Short views out: No Long views out: To the south Long views in: To the south	Presence & size of populations: Low Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Low
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix	(High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned)
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	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Landscape Scale	Medium	3 High	2 Moderate	Low 1 Moderate	1 Low
	Small	3 High	3 High	2 Moderate	2 Moderate

Unsettled Ancient Pastoral Arable

Landscape Pattern

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

Varied 1 2 2

Land use U / V 1 1 2

Uniform 0 1 1

Uniform U / V Varied

Tree Cover

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Consistency

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x

Total 5

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

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	1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12	
	Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development	

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High
Electricity pylons		

Landscape capacity assessment rating

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	High	Moderate	Low	Low
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate

Low Moderate High

Date June 08	Area name S 171 Field east of Dane End Farm Cottage
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Undulating Landcover: Crops Tree cover: Some boundary trees / hedge Settlement form and pattern: Sparse	Land Use: Agriculture Enclosure & pattern: Fairly open
Edge of settlement: Only to Dane End Farm Completeness of edge:	Sense of enclosure: Not really
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: From road Short views out: To road Long views out: Not really Long views in: Not really	Presence & size of populations: Low Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Low
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High			
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people			

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix	(High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned)				
	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Landscape Scale	Medium	3 High	2 Moderate	Low 1 Moderate	1 Low
	Small	3 High	3 High	2 Moderate	2 Moderate
		Unsettled	Ancient	Pastoral	Arable
			Landsca	pe Pattern	

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

 Varied
 1
 2
 2

 Land use
 U/V
 1
 1
 2

 Uniform
 0
 1
 1
 1

 Uniform
 U/V
 Varied

Tree Cover

Consistency

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	З	4	х	х
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	Х

Total

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

1-4		5-6	7-8	9-12	
	Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development	

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

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Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating					
	High	Moderate	Low	Low	
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low	
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate	

Low Moderate High

Date June 08	Area name S 172 – Dane End Farm Cottage		
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref		
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES			
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.		
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs		
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY			
Landform: Flatish Landcover: Grass Tree cover: Some field trees Settlement form and pattern: Cottage on site	Land Use: Pasture Enclosure & pattern: Well enclosed and screened from road otherwise enclosure is partial		
Edge of settlement: Not really Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: Partial		
VISUAL SENSITIVITY			
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: Adjacent fields and public right of way Short views out: To above Long views out: No Long views in: No	Presence & size of populations: Low Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Moderate		
VALUE			
National designations:	Local designations		

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

Ecological sensitivity matrix

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuca			

Landuse

Continuity matrix (High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned) 2 0 3 Large High Moderate Very Low Low Landscape Scale 2 Low Medium High Moderate ----1----Low Moderate 3 3 2 2 Small High High Moderate Moderate Unsettled Ancient Pastoral Arable

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

Landscape Pattern

1 2 2 Varied Land use U/V2 1 1 0 1 1 Uniform Uniform U/VVaried

Tree Cover

Consistency

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	х

Total 6

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

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1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating					
	High	Moderate	Low	Low	
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low	
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate	

Low Moderate High

Date June 08	Area name S 173		
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref		
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES			
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.		
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs		
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY			
Landform: Undulating Landcover: Crops Tree cover: Boundary woodlands Settlement form and pattern: North Stevenage to the south	Land Use: Agriculture Enclosure & pattern: conjoined fields with prows		
Edge of settlement: Close to north Stevenage Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: Good		
VISUAL SENSITIVITY			
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: Not really Short views out: Not really Long views out: Not really Long views in: Not really	Presence & size of populations: Presence not notable Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Low – development would have high impact on surrounding field pattern.		
VALUE			
National designations:	Local designations		

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

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Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High			
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people			

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix (High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned) 2 0 3 Large High Moderate Very Low Low Landscape Scale 3 2 Low Medium High Moderate ----1----Low Moderate 3 3 2 2 Small High High Moderate Moderate Unsettled Ancient Arable Pastoral

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

Landscape Pattern

1 2 2 Varied Land use U/V1 2 1 0 1 1 Uniform Uniform U/VVaried

Tree Cover

Consistency

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	x

Total 5

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

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1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High
Electricity pylons		-

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating					
	High	Moderate	Low	Low	
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low	
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate	

Low Moderate High

Date June 08	Area name S 174 Field west of Hallsgreen Lane
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Flatish Landcover: Crops Tree cover: Boundary trees and hedgerow. Settlement form and pattern: Sparse	Land Use: Agriculture Enclosure & pattern: Integrated part of field pattern
Edge of settlement: Yes Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: reasonable
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: Not really Short views out: No Long views out: No Long views in: No	Presence & size of populations: Low Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Moderate
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

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Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High			
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people			

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix	(High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned)				
	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Landscape Scale	Medium	3 High	2 Moderate	Low 1 Moderate	1 Low
	Small	3 High	3 High	2 Moderate	2 Moderate
		Unsettled	Ancient	Pastoral	Arable

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

Landscape Pattern

 Land use
 1
 2
 2

 U/V
 1
 1
 2

 Uniform
 0
 1
 1

 Uniform
 U/V
 Varied

Tree Cover

Consistency

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	х

Total

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

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1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

A	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating					
	High	Moderate	Low	Low	
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low	
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate	

Low Moderate High

Date June 08	Area name S 176 New Spring
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Flatish – gently undulating Landcover: Woodland Tree cover: Dense Settlement form and pattern: Edge of North Stevenage	Land Use: Woodland Enclosure & pattern: Self contained
Edge of settlement: Yes Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: High
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: From new housing to the south and from informal track. Short views out: Adjacent fields Long views out: No Long views in: No	Presence & size of populations: North Stevenage - High Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Low
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High			
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people			

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix (High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned) 2 0 3 Large High Moderate Very Low Low Landscape Scale 3 2 Low Medium High Moderate ----1----Low Moderate 3 3 2 2 Small High High Moderate Moderate Unsettled Ancient Pastoral Arable

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

Landscape Pattern

1 2 2 Varied Land use U/V1 2 1 0 1 1 Uniform Uniform U/VVaried

Tree Cover

Consistency

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	х

Total 8

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

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1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

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Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High
	Wildlife site	

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating							
	High	Moderate	Low	Low			
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low			
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate			

Low Moderate High

Date Aug 08	Area name S 177 – Longdell Wood
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Slopes down to the south Landcover: Trees Tree cover: Dense Settlement form and pattern: Sparse	Land Use: Woodland Enclosure & pattern: Self contained
Edge of settlement: Close to north Stevenage Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: High
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: From adjacent fields and prow. Short views out: to the above Long views out: No Long views in: No	Presence & size of populations: Low Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Low
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

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Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High				
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people				

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix	rix (High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned)					
	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	
Landscape Scale	Medium	3 High	2 Moderate	Low 1 Moderate	1 Low	
	Small	3 High	3 High	2 Moderate	2 Moderate	
		Unsettled	Ancient	Pastoral	Arable	

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

Landscape Pattern

2 2 1 Varied U / VLand use 1 1 2 0 1 1 Uniform Uniform U/VVaried

Tree Cover

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Consistency

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	х
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	Х

Total 8

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

1-	4	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low Ser	nsitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

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A	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High
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Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating						
	High	Moderate	Low	Low		
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low		
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate		

Low Moderate High

Date Aug 08	Area name S 178 – Nine Acre Spring
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Slopes down to the south Landcover: Trees Tree cover: Dense Settlement form and pattern: Sparse	Land Use: Woodland Enclosure & pattern: Self contained
Edge of settlement: Close to north Stevenage Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: High
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: From adjacent fields and prow. Short views out: to the above Long views out: No Long views in: No	Presence & size of populations: Low Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Low
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix (High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned) 2 0 3 Large High Moderate Very Low Low Landscape Scale 3 2 Low Medium High Moderate ----1----Low Moderate 3 3 2 2 Small High High Moderate Moderate Unsettled Ancient Pastoral Arable

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

Landscape Pattern

1 2 2 Varied Land use U/V1 2 1 0 1 1 Uniform Uniform U/VVaried

Tree Cover

Consistency

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	х
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	х

Total 8

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

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1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

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Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High
Electricity pylons		

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating					
	High	Moderate	Low	Low	
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low	
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate	

Low Moderate High

Date June 08	Area name S 179 – Field north of Newbury Grove
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 39 Condition: Robustness: LCA Evaluation:	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landcover: Crops / hay Tree cover: Some woodland on boundaries Settlement form and pattern: Locally sparse but not far from north Stevenage	Land Use: agriculture Enclosure & pattern: Partially enclosed by woodland and part of larger field pattern.
Edge of settlement: No Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: Open in character
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: Only from adjacent fields. Short views out: To adjacent fields Long views out: Long views in:	Presence & size of populations: Low Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Low
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

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Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High			
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people			

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

		2	1	0	0
	Other	Moderate	Low	Very Low	Very Low
		3	2	1	0
Woodland	Wooded	High	Moderate	Low	Very Low
	·	4	3	2	1
	Trees and woods	Very High	High	Moderate	Low
		Marginal	Good	Marginal	Good
		pasture	pasture	arable	arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix (High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned					w = Planned)
	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Landscape Scale	Medium	3 High	2 Moderate	Low 1 Moderate	1 Low
	Small	3 High	3 High	2 Moderate	2 Moderate
		Unsettled	Ancient	Pastoral	Arable
		Landscape Pattern			

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

2 2 1 Varied U / VLand use 1 1 2 0 1 1 Uniform Uniform U/VVaried

Tree Cover

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

Continuity	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	
	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	
		Unified	Coherent	Variable	
		Consistency			

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	x

Total 6

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

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1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12				
Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development				

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

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Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High
Electricity pylons		

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Lanuscape capacity assessment rating							
	High	Moderate	Low	Low			
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low			
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate			

Low Moderate High

Date June 08	Area name S 180
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 39 Condition: Robustness: LCA Evaluation:	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Undulating Landcover: Crops Tree cover: Woodland on boundary and some boundary trees. Settlement form and pattern: Edge of north Stevenage	Land Use: Agriculture Enclosure & pattern: Edge of larger field pattern
Edge of settlement: Yes Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: Good due to topography and boundary trees – semi open in character. Well screened from housing.
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: From PROW Short views out: To adjacent field to the south Long views out: To the far south & east Long views in: Not really	Presence & size of populations: Edge of north stevenage Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Moderate
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

Ecological sensitivity matrix

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuaa			

Landuse

Continuity matrix (High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned) 2 0 3 Large High Moderate Very Low Low Landscape Scale 3 2 Low Medium High Moderate ----1----Low Moderate 3 3 2 2 Small High High Moderate Moderate Unsettled Ancient Arable Pastoral

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

Land use

Varied	1	2	2
U/V	1	1	2
Uniform	0	1	1

Uniform

U/V

Varied

Landscape Pattern

Tree Cover

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned
Continuity	Historic
	Ancient

2	1	0
Moderate	Low	Very Low
3	2	1
High	Moderate	Low
4	3	2
Very High	High	Moderate

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Coherent

Variable

Consistency

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	x

Total 4

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

•	1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low	Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

A	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High

Landscape capacity assessment rating

andscape capacity assessment rating					
	High	Moderate	Low	Low	
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low	
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate	

Low Moderate High

Date Aug 08	Area name S 182 – Newberry Grove
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 39 Condition: Robustness: LCA Evaluation:	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Slopes down to the south Landcover: Trees Tree cover: Dense Settlement form and pattern: Sparse	Land Use: Woodland Enclosure & pattern: Self contained
Edge of settlement: Close to north Stevenage Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: High
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: From adjacent fields and prow. Short views out: to the above Long views out: No Long views in: No	Presence & size of populations: Low Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Low
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High			
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people			

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

Ecological sensitivity matrix

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix	(High = Anci	ent, Moderat	e = Historic,	Low/Very Lov	w = Planned)
	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Landscape Scale	Medium	3 High	2 Moderate	Low 1 Moderate	1 Low
	Small	3 High	3 High	2 Moderate	2 Moderate
		Unsettled	Ancient	Pastoral	Arable

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

Landscape Pattern

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2 1 Varied U / VLand use 1 1 0 1 Uniform Uniform U/VVaried

Tree Cover

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Consistency

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	X	X
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	x	x

Total 9

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

A	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High
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Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating					
	High	Moderate	Low	Low	
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low	
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate	

Low Moderate High

Date Aug 08	Area name S 183 – Claypithills Spring
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 39 Condition: Robustness: LCA Evaluation:	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Sloping Landcover: Crops Tree cover: Woods on western boundary Settlement form and pattern: Not far from north Stevenage but otherwise sparse	Land Use: Agriculture Enclosure & pattern: Part of larger field pattern to the east.
Edge of settlement: Just outside Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: open in aspect
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: From fields to east & north and from PROW Short views out: To the above Long views out: Not really Long views in: Not really	Presence & size of populations: Low presence Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Low
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

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Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High			
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people			

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

Ecological sensitivity matrix

	Otto	2	1	0	0
	Other	Moderate	Low	Very Low	Very Low
		3	2	1	0
Woodland	Wooded	High	Moderate	Low	Very Low
	T	4	3	2	1
	Trees and woods	Very High	High	Moderate	Low
		Marginal	Good	Marginal	Good
		pasture	pasture	arable	arable
		Land use			

Continuity matrix (High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned)

	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Landscape Scale	Medium	3 High	2 Moderate	Low 1 Moderate	1 Low
	Small	3 High	3 High	2 Moderate	2 Moderate

Unsettled Ancient Pastoral Arable

Landscape Pattern

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

2 1 2 Varied Land use U/V1 1 2 0 1 1 Uniform Uniform U/VVaried

Tree Cover

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Consistency

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	ε	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	х

Total

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

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1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating					
	High	Moderate	Low	Low	
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low	
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate	

Low Moderate High

Date Aug 08	Area name S 184 – Field south of Dane End
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 39 Condition: Robustness: LCA Evaluation:	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Sloping Landcover: Crops Tree cover: Woods on north eastern boundary Settlement form and pattern: Not far from north Stevenage but otherwise sparse	Land Use: Agriculture Enclosure & pattern: Part of larger field pattern to the east.
Edge of settlement: Just outside north Stevenage Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: open in aspect
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: From adjacent fields and from PROW Short views out: To the above Long views out: Not really Long views in: Not really	Presence & size of populations: Low presence Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Low
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

1 copic vicibility matrix							
Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High				
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people				

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

Ecological sensitivity matrix

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Land use			

Continuity matrix	(High = Anci	ent, Moderat	e = Historic,	Low/Very Lov	w = Planned)
	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Landscape Scale	Medium	3 High	2 Moderate	Low 1 Moderate	1 Low
	Small	3 High	3 High	2 Moderate	2 Moderate
		Unsettled	Ancient	Pastoral	Arable

Landscape Pattern

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

	Varied	1	2	2
Land use	U/V	1	1	2
	Uniform	0	1	1
		Uniform	U / V	Varied

Tree Cover

Consistency

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	х	x

Total

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

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1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12
Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Lanuscape capacity assessment rating					
	High	Moderate	Low	Low	
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low	
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate	

Low Moderate High

Date June 08	Area name 187 Field east of Dane End
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Sloping Landcover: crops Tree cover: On eastern boundary Settlement form and pattern: Sparse	Land Use: Agriculture Enclosure & pattern: Part of larger field pattern
Edge of settlement: Completeness of edge:	Sense of enclosure: Well screened from road on lower ground but open and more exposed on higher southern ground
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: From the north Short views out: To the north Long views out: Not really Long views in: Not really	Presence & size of populations: Low Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Low
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

Views in	0	1	2
	Low	Moderate	High
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

Ecological sensitivity matrix

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuse			

Continuity matrix (High = Ancient, Moderate = Historic, Low/Very Low = Planned) 2 0 3 Large High Moderate Very Low Low Landscape Scale 3 2 Low Medium High Moderate ----1----Low Moderate 3 3 2 2 Small High High Moderate Moderate Unsettled Ancient Arable Pastoral

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

Landscape Pattern

1 2 2 Varied Land use U/V2 1 1 0 1 1 Uniform Uniform U/VVaried

Tree Cover

Consistency

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	З	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	x

Total 5

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

		9		
1-4		5-6	7-8	9-12
Low Sens	sitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

Landscape Value Assessment Rating

Α	В	Landscape value
Score 1 point for each	Score 1 point for each	A + B
Tranquillity or	Conservation Interests	0 points = Low
Scenic beauty or		1 point = Moderate
Contribution to Settlement.		2 points = High

Landscape capacity assessment rating

Landscape capacity assessment rating						
	High	Moderate	Low	Low		
Landscape Sensitivity	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low		
	Low	High	Moderate to High	Moderate		

Low Moderate High

Date June 08	Area name 188 Field east of Dane End
Surveyors PS	OS grid ref
LCA & PLANNING POLICIES	
LCA No: 220 Condition: Moderate Robustness: Moderate LCA Evaluation: Improve and Conserve	Key Characteristics & Distinctive features. Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
LP2A policies: Green belt	Photographs
LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY	
Landform: Sloping Landcover: grass Tree cover: Boundary hedgerow Settlement form and pattern: Sparse	Land Use: Pastoral Enclosure & pattern: Part of larger field pattern
Edge of settlement: no Completeness of edge: Yes	Sense of enclosure: Well screened from road on lower ground but open and more exposed on higher southern ground
VISUAL SENSITIVITY	
Prominence of site from surrounding area Short views in: From the north Short views out: To the north Long views out: Not really Long views in: Not really	Presence & size of populations: Low Mitigation potential of visual impacts: Low
VALUE	
National designations:	Local designations

Visual sensitivity

Visibility sensitivity matrix

	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
Landform	Rolling/undulating	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High
	Lowlying / flat	0 Very Low	1 Low	2 Moderate

Large woods Small woods Unwooded

Tree cover

People visibility matrix

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Views in	0 Low	1 Moderate	2 High				
	Few people	Moderate number of people	Many people				

Viewed by number of people

Overall visual sensitivity = visibility sensitivity + people visibility

Ecological Sensitivity

Ecological sensitivity matrix

	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
Woodland	Wooded	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	Trees and woods	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
		Marginal pasture	Good pasture	Marginal arable	Good arable
		Landuse			

Landuse

Continuity matrix	(High = Anci	ent, Moderat	e = Historic,	Low/Very Lov	w = Planned)
	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Landscape Scale	Medium	3 High	2 Moderate	Low 1 Moderate	1 Low
	Small	3 High	3 High	2 Moderate	2 Moderate
		Unsettled	Ancient	Pastoral	Arable

Consistency matrix

(0 = Unified, 1 = Coherent, 2 = Variable)

Landscape Pattern

Varied

Land use

Varied	1	2	2
U/V	1	1	2
Uniform	0	1	1

Uniform U / V

Tree Cover

Continuity Vs Consistency matrix

	Planned	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
Continuity	Historic	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low
	Ancient	4 Very High	3 High	2 Moderate
		Unified	Coherent	Variable

Consistency

Visual sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ecological sensitivity	0	1	2	З	4	х	x
Cultural sensitivity	0	1	2	3	4	Х	x

Total 6

Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating

		9		
1-4		5-6	7-8	9-12
Low Sens	sitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

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