

## 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.

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

<b>Date</b> June 08	<b>Area name</b> 148 Field east of Round Wood
<b>Surveyors</b> PS	<b>OS grid ref</b>
<b>LCA &amp; PLANNING POLICIES</b>	
<b>LCA No:</b> 220 <b>Condition:</b> Moderate <b>Robustness:</b> Moderate <b>LCA Evaluation:</b> Improve and Conserve	<b>Key Characteristics &amp; Distinctive features.</b> Plateau Landform, arable land use, extensive mature woodland cover, scattered farmsteads, Pylon on southern boundary, abuts northern edge of Stevenage.
<b>LP2A policies:</b> Green belt	<b>Photographs</b>
<b>LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY</b>	
<b>Landform:</b> Flat <b>Landcover:</b> Crops <b>Tree cover:</b> woods on western boundary, boundary trees / hedgerow on south and eastern boundary & a few boundary trees on northern boundary. <b>Settlement form and pattern:</b> Stevenage urban fringe	<b>Land Use:</b> Agriculture <b>Enclosure &amp; pattern:</b> Reasonable sense of enclosure
<b>Edge of settlement:</b> Yes <b>Completeness of edge:</b> Yes	<b>Sense of enclosure:</b> Yes
<b>VISUAL SENSITIVITY</b>	
<b>Prominence of site from surrounding area</b> <b>Short views in:</b> Not really, from PROW on northern boundary and crossroads on south eastern corner. From road on eastern boundary. <b>Short views out:</b> no <b>Long views out:</b> no <b>Long views in:</b> no	<b>Presence &amp; size of populations:</b> on urban fringe but presence not noticeable. <b>Mitigation potential of visual impacts:</b> moderate
<b>VALUE</b>	
<b>National designations:</b>	<b>Local designations</b>

## Survey Matrix Sheet

### Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

#### Visual sensitivity

##### Visibility sensitivity matrix

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 3

**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 7

**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 4

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**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 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**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 4

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**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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Tranquil		

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

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

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 5

**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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	<b>Wildlife site, Ecosite</b>	

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 6

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**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 6

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**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 5

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**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 5

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**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 4

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**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 7

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**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 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**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 5

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**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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		

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 3

**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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		

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 4

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**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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		

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 5

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**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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		

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 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**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 5

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**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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

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**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 6

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**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 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**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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

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**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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		

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 8

**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 8

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**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 8

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**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

<b>Date</b> June 08	<b>Area name</b> S 179 – Field north of Newbury Grove	
<b>Surveyors</b> PS	<b>OS grid ref</b>	
<b>LCA &amp; PLANNING POLICIES</b>		
<b>LCA No:</b> 39 <b>Condition:</b> <b>Robustness:</b> <b>LCA Evaluation:</b>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td><b>Key Characteristics &amp; Distinctive features.</b></td> </tr> </table>	<b>Key Characteristics &amp; Distinctive features.</b>
<b>Key Characteristics &amp; Distinctive features.</b>		
<b>LP2A policies:</b> Green belt	<b>Photographs</b>	
<b>LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY</b>		
<b>Landcover:</b> Crops / hay <b>Tree cover:</b> Some woodland on boundaries <b>Settlement form and pattern:</b> Locally sparse but not far from north Stevenage	<b>Land Use:</b> agriculture <b>Enclosure &amp; pattern:</b> Partially enclosed by woodland and part of larger field pattern.	
<b>Edge of settlement:</b> No <b>Completeness of edge:</b> Yes	<b>Sense of enclosure:</b> Open in character	
<b>VISUAL SENSITIVITY</b>		
<b>Prominence of site from surrounding area</b> <b>Short views in:</b> Only from adjacent fields. <b>Short views out:</b> To adjacent fields <b>Long views out:</b> <b>Long views in:</b>	<b>Presence &amp; size of populations:</b> Low <b>Mitigation potential of visual impacts:</b> Low	
<b>VALUE</b>		
<b>National designations:</b>	<b>Local designations</b>	

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 6

**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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		

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 4

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**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

<b>Date</b> Aug 08	<b>Area name</b> S 182 – Newberry Grove
<b>Surveyors</b> PS	<b>OS grid ref</b>
<b>LCA &amp; PLANNING POLICIES</b>	
<b>LCA No:</b> 39 <b>Condition:</b> <b>Robustness:</b> <b>LCA Evaluation:</b>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <b>Key Characteristics &amp; Distinctive features.</b> </div>
<b>LP2A policies:</b> Green belt	<b>Photographs</b>
<b>LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY</b>	
<b>Landform:</b> Slopes down to the south <b>Landcover:</b> Trees <b>Tree cover:</b> Dense <b>Settlement form and pattern:</b> Sparse	<b>Land Use:</b> Woodland <b>Enclosure &amp; pattern:</b> Self contained
<b>Edge of settlement:</b> Close to north Stevenage <b>Completeness of edge:</b> Yes	<b>Sense of enclosure:</b> High
<b>VISUAL SENSITIVITY</b>	
<b>Prominence of site from surrounding area</b> <b>Short views in:</b> From adjacent fields and prow. <b>Short views out:</b> to the above <b>Long views out:</b> No <b>Long views in:</b> No	<b>Presence &amp; size of populations:</b> Low <b>Mitigation potential of visual impacts:</b> Low
<b>VALUE</b>	
<b>National designations:</b>	<b>Local designations</b>

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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

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**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

<b>Date</b> Aug 08	<b>Area name</b> S 184 – Field south of Dane End	
<b>Surveyors</b> PS	<b>OS grid ref</b>	
<b>LCA &amp; PLANNING POLICIES</b>		
<b>LCA No:</b> 39 <b>Condition:</b> <b>Robustness:</b> <b>LCA Evaluation:</b>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td><b>Key Characteristics &amp; Distinctive features.</b></td> </tr> </table>	<b>Key Characteristics &amp; Distinctive features.</b>
<b>Key Characteristics &amp; Distinctive features.</b>		
<b>LP2A policies:</b> Green belt	<b>Photographs</b>	
<b>LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY</b>		
<b>Landform:</b> Sloping <b>Landcover:</b> Crops <b>Tree cover:</b> Woods on north eastern boundary <b>Settlement form and pattern:</b> Not far from north Stevenage but otherwise sparse	<b>Land Use:</b> Agriculture <b>Enclosure &amp; pattern:</b> Part of larger field pattern to the east.	
<b>Edge of settlement:</b> Just outside north Stevenage <b>Completeness of edge:</b> Yes	<b>Sense of enclosure:</b> open in aspect	
<b>VISUAL SENSITIVITY</b>		
<b>Prominence of site from surrounding area</b> <b>Short views in:</b> From adjacent fields and from PROW <b>Short views out:</b> To the above <b>Long views out:</b> Not really <b>Long views in:</b> Not really	<b>Presence &amp; size of populations:</b> Low presence <b>Mitigation potential of visual impacts:</b> Low	
<b>VALUE</b>		
<b>National designations:</b>	<b>Local designations</b>	

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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

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**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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		

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 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**

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

**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value

## Field Survey Record Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

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

## Survey Matrix Sheet Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity

**Visual sensitivity**

**Visibility sensitivity matrix**

Landform	Sloping	2 Moderate	3 High	4 V High
	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**

Woodland	Other	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low	0 Very Low
	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					

**Cultural Sensitivity** (continuity & consistency)

**Continuity matrix**

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

Landscape Scale	Large	3 High	2 Moderate	1 Low	0 Very Low
	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	Varied	1	2	2
	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				

**Overall sensitivity Score**

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 6

**Landscape Sensitivity Assessment Rating**

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Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	No development

**Landscape Value Assessment Rating**

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**Landscape capacity assessment rating**

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

Low      Moderate      High

Landscape value