

Appendix H8 Landscape Value Tables

Adastral Park - Industrial / Commercial	
Criteria	Observations/Comments
Landscape Quality (condition)	<p>The condition and character is typical of an industrial / commercial landscape. Manicured landscapes of closely mown grass verges, trimmed shrubs and well maintained trees and woodland. This results in a defined landscape character across the LLCT, however, there is a difference in landscape between the northern and southern sections. The northern section contains a higher density of small to medium scale 1-2 storey units affording grass verges with individual street tree planting. The southern section is defined by lower density large multi-storey units that are situated within manicured grounds and are serviced by larger areas of car parking and associated infrastructure.</p> <p>The site is of an Ordinary landscape quality and condition</p> <p>Whilst the site contains features and land uses that indicate landscape on the urban edge, the structure provided by the woodland and hedgerows reflects the wider character and provides structure.</p>
Scenic Quality	<p>Despite being heavily influenced by the built form, the area as a whole contains a large number of mature trees with a notable area of woodland to the south, the mature vegetation softens the impact of the built development in the landscape.</p> <p>The site is of an Ordinary scenic quality. Although there are visual connections with adjacent landscapes of higher quality, the presence of the built edge, to include BT Orion Building and Pegasus Tower, array of large white satellite dishes and high security fencing create detractors within the local landscape and serve to reduce the overall quality of the landscape of the site.</p>
Rarity	<p>The area contains elements of both technological and heritage interest, including Pegasus Tower and a short section of the WWII airfield runway.</p> <p>The area of woodland to the south eastern corner is distinctive feature in the landscape.</p> <p>As there are no rare features or elements within the site, the landscape is considered to be of Ordinary.</p>
Representativeness	<p>The area represents a well established industrial and commercial development. The area contains large commercial and industrial units that is typical of a landscape of this type.</p> <p>The existing woodland within the site forms a distinctive feature within the site and wider landscape. overall the the site is Ordinary in this regard.</p>

Conservation Interests	<p>The area contains the no listed buildings, scheduled ancient monuments or heritage features.</p> <p>Aside from the hedgerows, trees, tree belts and waterbodies, the area is of limited wildlife interest due to the nature of existing development.</p> <p>Whilst there are features within the area that provide habitat and wildlife interest these are limited and in the majority under a strict management regime. Therefore, it is considered to be of Ordinary conservation interest.</p>
Recreational Value	<p>There is limited access to the site with a single PRow to the eastern edge of the area. This links in with the wider Public Right of Way network to the south.</p> <p>Access to the southern section of the area is restricted by a high level security fence.</p> <p>The area is of Poor recreational value and contribution to the local community due to the limited access.</p>
Perceptual Aspects	<p>The level of vegetation across the site creates a sense of enclosure and heavily filters views of the existing development from the wider landscape, notably the BT Orion Building and Pegasus Tower are highly visible in the wider landscape.</p> <p>On balance, the perceptual aspect of the site is Ordinary, due to the level of built development and detracting development at Adastral Park with the BT Orion Building and Pegasus Tower of note.</p>
Associations	<p>The site is associated with the Martlesham Heath WWII airfield and with the existing BT Orion Building and Pegasus Tower which form a distinct feature in the landscape.</p> <p>The area is considered to be Good in this regard, although the site area has been developed and surrounded by further development, the local people associate the development with good design and it is regarded as a desirable place to live.</p>

Martlesham Heath - Residential	
Criteria	Observations/Comments
Landscape Quality (condition)	<p>The character and condition of the landscape differs from the local residential landscape, the density and layout of the development is laid out in a way that forms a more rural development with incorporating a high level of mature woodland within the development.</p> <p>Central woodland gives this LLCT a unique character</p> <p>Roadside undulating landform and mature trees softens the built development.</p> <p>The covenant which covers the housing estate has maintained the character and sense of place.</p> <p>The site is of a Good landscape quality and condition. This is a result of the covenants that are in place to control development and alterations within the area.</p>

Scenic Quality	<p>Views are of short distance due to the intervening development and vegetation. The landscape is a designed landscape with areas at scrub/ woodland to break up the development.</p> <p>The woodland that is located both within and to the periphery of the area filters and softens the residential landscape edge.</p> <p>The site is of an Ordinary scenic quality. Although there are visual connections with adjacent landscapes of higher quality, the presence of residential development serves to reduce the overall quality of the landscape of the area.</p>
Rarity	<p>Landscape features and clearly set design principles make this area notable with development layout of local interest as a residential precedent.</p> <p>As there are no rare features or elements within the site, the landscape is considered to be Ordinary rarity. This reflects the presence of typical features within the area.</p>
Representativeness	<p>The area represents a well established residential development with intact character, this is a result of the covenant that restricts how properties can be developed.</p> <p>The area contains two bowl barrows which are scheduled as ancient monuments.</p> <p>The existing woodland within the site forms a distinctive feature within the site and wider landscape. The site is Ordinary in this regard.</p>
Conservation Interests	<p>The area contains two bowl barrow Schedule Monuments and a Pill Box which is a local heritage assets.</p> <p>The mature trees, areas of woodland and scrub produce a range of habitats that support a wider range of wildlife</p> <p>The new village principle on which Martlesham Heath is designed upon has developed into a modern community with a local centre and facilities.</p> <p>The mature trees and historic features within the site are of a Good conservation due to wildlife and heritage interest.</p>
Recreational Value	<p>Sandings Walk long distance route cross the north western corner of the area, this links in with the wider Public Right of Way network.</p> <p>There is a network of permissive footpaths across the area which link the area with the wider landscape and the access land adjacent to the west.</p> <p>The southern site area is of Good recreational value and contribution to the local community to the number of permissive paths and access land.</p>
Perceptual Aspects	<p>The level of vegetation across the site creates a sense of enclosure and noise buffer from the wider landscape, notably the A12 major transport route and Adastral Park the adjacent industrial/commercial park.</p> <p>The western area is strongly influenced by the adjacent area of Access Land which results in the development having a rural feel at the edge of the character area.</p> <p>The linear arable field to the southern boundary and tree belts</p>

	<p>enclose the development from the wider landscape and there is a greater perception of being away from large built up areas.</p> <p>On balance, the perceptual aspect of the site is Ordinary, due to the level of built development and detracting development at Adastral Park with the BT Orion Building and Pegasus Tower of note.</p>
Associations	<p>The area forms part of the old Martlesham Heath WWII Airfield with remnant Pill Box and area of runway to the west, this is evident by the features that still exist to include Pill Box and runway.</p> <p>The area is considered to be Good in this regard, although the site area has been developed and surrounded by further development, The local people associate the development with good design and it is regarded as a desirable place to live.</p>

Wooded Arable Farmland	
Criteria	Observations/Comments
Landscape Quality (condition)	<p>Large arable fields with mature vegetation which are typical of the wider wooded estate farmlands landscape character, especially within the AONB to the east.</p> <p>The area as a whole is of Good landscape quality and condition. However, whilst the wider area contains features and land uses that are characteristic of the '<i>Estate Sandlands</i>' landscape character, the small section of arable land within the site contains minimal features. Further detracting influences within the immediate setting are its location adjacent to the urban edge, with the structure provided by the adjacent mature vegetation and road network acts to separate the area from the wider landscape. this results in the small area of arable land within the site is considered to be of Ordinary Landscape quality and condition.</p>
Scenic Quality	<p>The large arable fields with mature vegetated boundaries, tree belts and woodland blocks create a harmonious arable landscape.</p> <p>This landscape is punctuated by the tall vertical presence of the BT Pegasus Tower within the south of Adastral Park.</p> <p>The wider area is of a Good scenic quality. Although there are visual connections with adjacent landscapes of lower quality, the presence of the built edge, development along Newbourne Road, traffic on A12 and the degraded landscape structure within the adjacent mineral extraction serve to reduce the overall quality of the small arable area within the site.</p>
Rarity	<p>Woodland and mature trees form strong features within the landscape, there is extensive tree cover in the area, with Foxburrow Plantation forming the northern section of a linear tree belt that continues to the further to the south.</p> <p>As there are no rare features or elements within the area, the landscape is considered to be of Ordinary rarity. This reflects the presence of typical features within the area, as recognised by published Landscape Character Assessments.</p>
Representativeness	<p>The large arable fields are distinctive features within the landscape, with the northern area designated with the Suffolk Coastal and</p>

	<p>Heath AONB.</p> <p>The mature trees, tree belts and woodland blocks define the relatively flat arable landscape.</p> <p>The site is Ordinary in this regard</p>
Conservation Interests	<p>The east of the areas lie within Suffolk Coastal and Heath AONB. Howes Farmhouse Grade II listed is located to the east of the northern area. The mature trees, tree belts and woodland blocks provide a range of interests to include providing valuable habitat supporting a range of wildlife with the numerous woodlands being associated with local features, such as Foxburrow plantation and Spratts Plantation.</p> <p>The section of area within the site is of Ordinary conservation interest.</p> <p>Whilst the wider landscape contains features such as woodland and water courses that are of conservation interest and seen in the wider landscape they are non situated within the site, Therefore the wider landscape is of a Good conservation due to wildlife and heritage interest.</p>
Recreational Value	<p>The area is clearly valued for is landscape character with the northern section of the area lying within the Suffolk Coastal and Heath AONB. Further landscape to the south lies within a Special Landscape Area.</p> <p>Public Footpath Waldringfield 7 runs alongside the edge of the area within the site which leads out to the wider landscape network to the south, the adjacent tree belts limit views out to the wider landscape to the south with views possible over the eastern section of the site. Users of this footpath have broken views across the area to the wider landscape.</p> <p>The area as a whole is of Good recreational value and contribution to the local community.</p>
Perceptual Aspects	<p>Due to the limited road network and the level of mature vegetation cover screening both the visual and noise from the neighbouring development further to the north and west the area has a tranquil which is heavily influenced by the surrounding arable landscape and AONB landscape.</p> <p>To the west the A12 provides an intrusion with the arable landscape and signals the transition between the rural and urban landscapes.</p> <p>On balance, the perceptual aspect of the area within the site is Ordinary, due to the proximity of the built edge and detracting development at Adastral Park and the adjacent amenity landscape.</p>
Associations	<p>A landscape dominated late enclosure of former common arable fields and open heathlands (both common and private). Many 18th/19th century parks, often ringed by shelterbelts, were also created primarily for game shooting.</p> <p>The area itself is considered to be Ordinary in this regard, although the wider landscape is heavily associated with the wider area the section of arable land within the site is experienced as part of the mineral extraction area.</p>

Amenity	
Criteria	Observations/Comments
Landscape Quality (condition)	<p>Medium scale holiday parks / Caravan sites with mature vegetated boundaries reflects the attractive nature of the wider landscape and the area as a visitors destination.</p> <p>The mature tree belts and areas of woodland link with the mature trees to field boundaries within the wider landscape.</p> <p>The land use at Sheep Drift Farm is degraded with area of upkept hardstanding and vegetation resulting in a rundown appearance</p> <p>The eastern area is s is of an Ordinary landscape quality and condition. The western area contains a degraded landscape with local detractors in regard caravan storage and hardstanding, therefore the southern area is considered to be of Poor landscape quality.</p> <p>Whilst the area contains features and land uses that indicate degraded the landscape, the structure provided by the woodland and hedgerows does reflect the former character.</p>
Scenic Quality	<p>The landscape within the eastern area is a heavily maintained landscape containing a number of recreational features.</p> <p>Western section is heavily screened by mature vegetation which restricts both outward and inward views.</p> <p>As there are no visual connections to the wider landscape due to the mature vegetation to the periphery, the area is heavily influenced by the man made leisure landscape and associated features. Therefore the eastern area is considered to be of Ordinary scenic quality.</p> <p>The western area has a degraded landscape structure and features to include industrial units and associated areas of hardstanding and caravan storage, therefore the western area is considered to be of Poor Scenic Quality.</p>
Rarity	<p>The northern area contains no listed buildings, Schedule Ancient Monuments or heritage assets</p> <p>There are two SM's within the western area, Two bowl Barrows are located within the Brightwell Barns complex.</p> <p>As there are no rare features or elements within the eastern area the landscape is considered to be of Ordinary rarity.</p> <p>The scheduled features within the western area are below ground and are numerous within the area. However, the two bowl barrows are a good representation of such features, therefore the southern area is considered to be of Good rarity</p>
Representativeness	<p>The area represents an ordinary leisure landscape with holiday accommodation located within a robust landscape framework.</p> <p>The trees, tree belts and Woodland are characteristic of the wider landscape area, they also provide a valuable buffer between the onsite development and the Suffolk Coastal and Heath AONB to the</p>

	<p>east, the vegetation also provides a buffer between the existing development to the west of Adastral Park and Martlesham Heath.</p> <p>The features within both areas are common within the wider landscape, therefore both areas are considered to be Ordinary in this regard.</p>
Conservation Interests	<p>The area contains the no listed buildings, scheduled ancient monuments or heritage features.</p> <p>Aside from the hedgerows, trees, tree belts and waterbodies, the area is of limited wildlife interest due to the nature of development and land management.</p> <p>Whilst there are features within the area that provide habitat and wildlife interest these are limited and in the majority under a strict management regime. Therefore, both areas are of Ordinary conservation interest.</p>
Recreational Value	<p>The landscape is designed and laid out for leisure use, therefore the areas has a high recreational value to include a network of Public Rights of Way that link to the wider landscape.</p> <p>The landscape is designed for leisure activities and there are numerous public rights of way within the area to the north which is considered to be of Good Recreational value.</p> <p>However, the western area is limited with a single right of way and a more degraded landscape therefore it is considered to have a Poor recreational value</p>
Perceptual Aspects	<p>The eastern area which lies adjacent to the AONB is a more settled tranquil landscape with mature landscape features.</p> <p>The western area contains offices and business units which are all detracting influences, however, the area is contained by mature vegetation which restricts the wider influence.</p> <p>On balance, the perceptual aspect of both areas is Ordinary, due to the existing development within the area and the detracting development and the adjacent transport corridor of the A12 landscape.</p>
Associations	<p>The area does not form part of the wider arable landscape and is in close proximity to the mineral extraction and A12 local detractors.</p> <p>The landscape type as a whole is considered to be Ordinary in this regard, this is due to the landscape being heavily associated with the onsite activities and not relating to the wider area.</p>

Mineral Extraction	
Criteria	Observations/Comments
Landscape Quality (condition)	<p>Typical mineral extraction landscape character of earth works to include; storage piles, operational faces and benches, settlement lagoons and acoustic bunding to the site boundaries.</p> <p>The landscape has been substantially altered by mineral extraction with the loss of structure, landcover and vegetation with few remaining original features on site.</p>

	<p>The site is considered to be of a Poor landscape quality and condition.</p>
Scenic Quality	<p>The boundary acoustic bunding encloses the quarried landscape from the wider landscape, limiting the effect the activities have on the wider landscape to include the AONB to the east.</p> <p>The mature vegetation to the southern boundary and in the wider landscape heavily restricts the intervisibility with the surrounding wood arable farmland and AONB.</p> <p>Visual connections are therefore limited to the users of Adastral Park to the north and uses of the internal footpaths.</p> <p>The area is of Ordinary scenic quality. Although there are visual connections with adjacent landscapes of higher quality, the presence of the built edge, Adastral Park to the north, Existing development to the east and south west with traffic on A12 and the degraded landscape structure serves to reduce the overall quality within the site.</p>
Rarity	<p>The area is defined by the on site quarrying activities which with the large waterbody and small valley feature to the centre of the site are not common in the wider landscape.</p> <p>A Scheduled Monument consisting of a Bowl Barrow and Pill Box lies to the north west of the site.</p> <p>The landscape has been substantially altered by the onsite mineral extraction, this has resulted in the historic landscape being lost. However, the restored landscape includes a few notable features that are not found within the wider landscape. These include the large waterbody to the centre of the site and the small valley feature which runs north to south through the centre of the site.</p> <p>Overall the landscape is considered to be of Ordinary rarity. This reflects the presence of typical features within the area, as recognised by published Landscape Character Assessments.</p>
Representativeness	<p>The area represents an ordinary quarried landscape with minimal vegetation and limited restoration, the area also has Adastral Park to the north as a back drop.</p> <p>The central waterbody are distinct features that provide interest and variety within an otherwise barren landscape.</p> <p>The site is Ordinary in this regard.</p>
Conservation Interests	<p>The area contains a Bowl Barrow and Pill Box which forms a Scheduled Monument located to the north west, there are two further ruined pill boxes within this area that may be heritage assets.</p> <p>Aside from the waterbody and associated vegetation and trees, and boundary tree belts, the area is of limited wildlife interest due to the mineral extraction land use.</p> <p>Whilst the landscape contains features such as woodland belts and waterbody that are of conservation interest, the area is of an Ordinary conservation due to wildlife and heritage interest.</p>
Recreational Value	<p>A Public Footpath run along the north-eastern edge of the area before heading south through the centre of the area and connecting to the wider landscape to the south.</p> <p>Further public rights of way are located around the periphery of the</p>

	<p>area located between the earth bunding and the edge of the area.</p> <p>The area as a whole is of Good recreational value and contribution to the local community.</p>
Perceptual Aspects	<p>The area is heavily associated with the mineral extraction which has resulted in the creation of substantial earth bunding to the boundary which forms a significant feature especially for users of the public rights of way within the area.</p> <p>These themselves along with the mature boundary vegetation provide a sense of enclosure and tranquillity from the operations associated with mineral extraction and the local busy roads.</p> <p>On balance, the perceptual aspect of the area within the site is Poor, due to the existing mineral extraction activities to include the proximity of the built edge and detracting development at Adastral Park, the adjacent A12 transport corridor and the scale of the screening of the area form the peripheral earth bunds.</p>
Associations	<p>The area is associated with the ongoing mineral extraction and the resulting degraded landscape.</p> <p>The site is Poor in this regard.</p>