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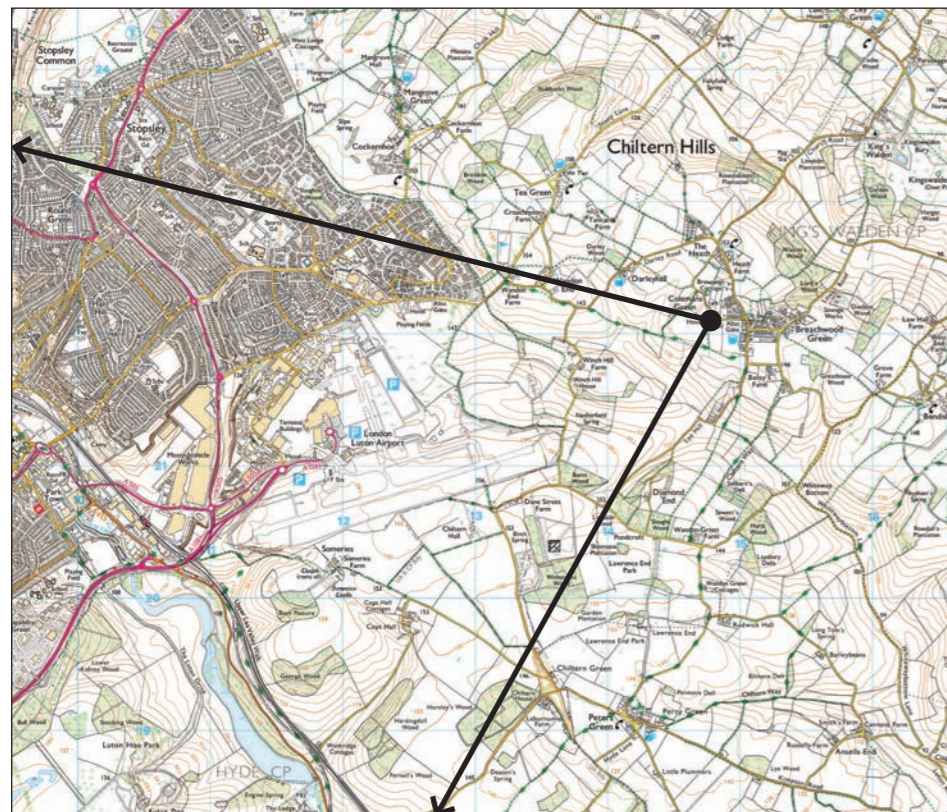
Assessment Viewpoint 33 : Footpath (Kings Walden 07)

Winter Photograph



National Grid Reference: 514783.536, 222110.122, 150.68aod
Date / Time: 30th November 2018 (10:22)
Weather Conditions / Visibility: Sunny / Good
Camera & Lens: Canon EOS 5D MKII 50mm lens
Horizontal Field of View: 75 °
Accurate Viewing Distance: 300mm

Location Plan



Baseline Description

This viewpoint is located on public footpath Kings Walden 007, to the west of Breachwood Green and near Coleman's Green, approximately 1km east of the Main Application Site. The view is orientated in a south westerly direction and is representative of the view experienced by people in Breachwood Green, The Heath and Lye Hill and users of PRow to the west of Breachwood Green.

The view overlooks an area of gently rolling arable farmland with broken hedgerows and occasional hedgerow trees, which extends into the middle-distance. A copse of woodland vegetation is visible to the far-right of the view and further woodland vegetation on the upper slopes of Winch Hill can be seen in the middle-distance across the centre part of the view. The airport control tower, hangars, terminal building, apron and runway are visible beyond intervening vegetation and on the horizon across the centre part of the view.

Anticipated Change to View

The Proposed Development would, in Phase 2a and Phase 2b, introduce additional built form that would be prominent above intervening vegetation, to the nearside of the existing airport buildings and apron, across the centre and centre-right part of the view.

Additional Mitigation

The additional mitigation measures would not substantially alter the view from this viewpoint but would change to pasture some of the land visible in the middle distance in the centre part of the view and extend further to the left the copse of woodland in the far-right part of this view (Work 5d). The additional mitigation measures would also introduce additional hedgerow and hedgerow tree planting (Work 5e) that would be visible in the middle-distance across the centrepart of the view and in the foreground in the far-left part of the view, adjacent and on the airport side of this footpath.

Camera Location



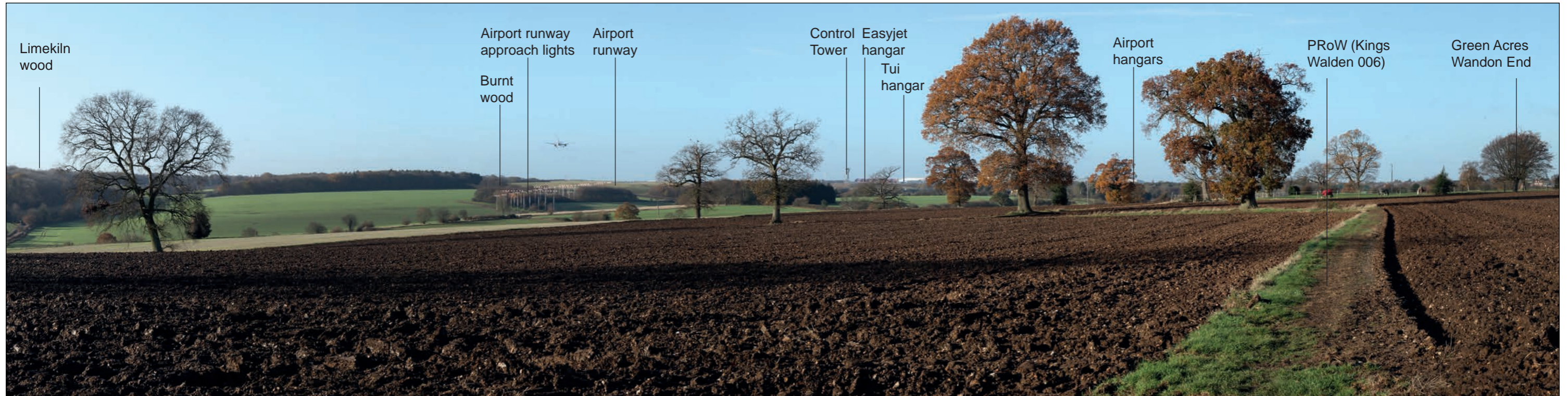
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Accurate Viewing Distance: 300mm

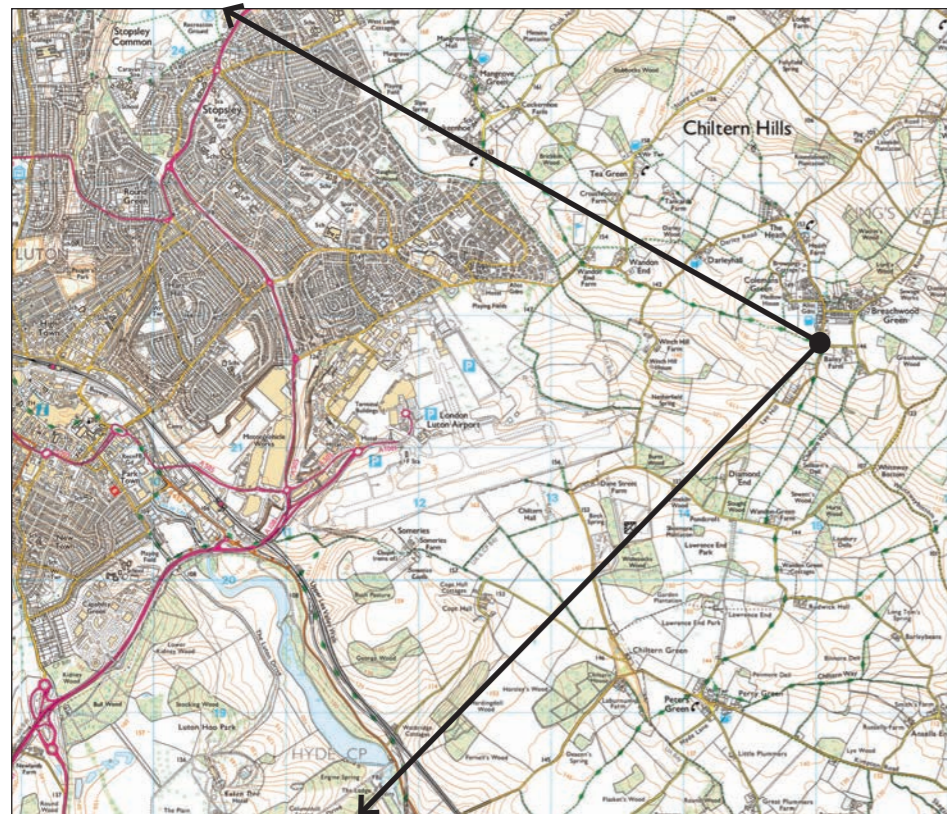
Assessment Viewpoint 34 : Footpath (Kings Walden 06)

Winter Photograph



National Grid Reference: 515042.438, 221838.358, 146.76aod
Date / Time: 30th November 2018 (10:00)
Weather Conditions / Visibility: Sunny / Good
Camera & Lens: Canon EOS 5D MKII 50mm lens
Horizontal Field of View: 75 °
Accurate Viewing Distance: 300mm

Location Plan



Baseline Description

This viewpoint is located on public footpath Kings Walden 006, where it forms part of the Chiltern Way long distance footpath, approximately 1.25km east of the Main Application Site. The view is orientated in a westerly direction and is representative of the view experienced by people in Breachwood Green, The Heath and Lye Hill; users the Chiltern Way Cycle Route; and users of the Chiltern Way long distance footpath.

An area of arable farmland with mature field trees is visible in the foreground of the view with further farmland, bordered with small woodland blocks and broken hedgerows with hedgerow trees, in the middle-distance. The airport control tower and hangars are visible beyond intervening vegetation and on the horizon within the centre and centre-right part of the view, and the apron and airport runway can be seen in the distance in the centre-left part of the view.

Anticipated Change to View

The Proposed Development would introduce additional built form in Phases 2a and 2b, notably Works 3b, 3c, 2f and 2g, which would be visible to the nearside of the existing airport buildings, and beyond intervening foreground vegetation on the horizon across the centre part of the view.

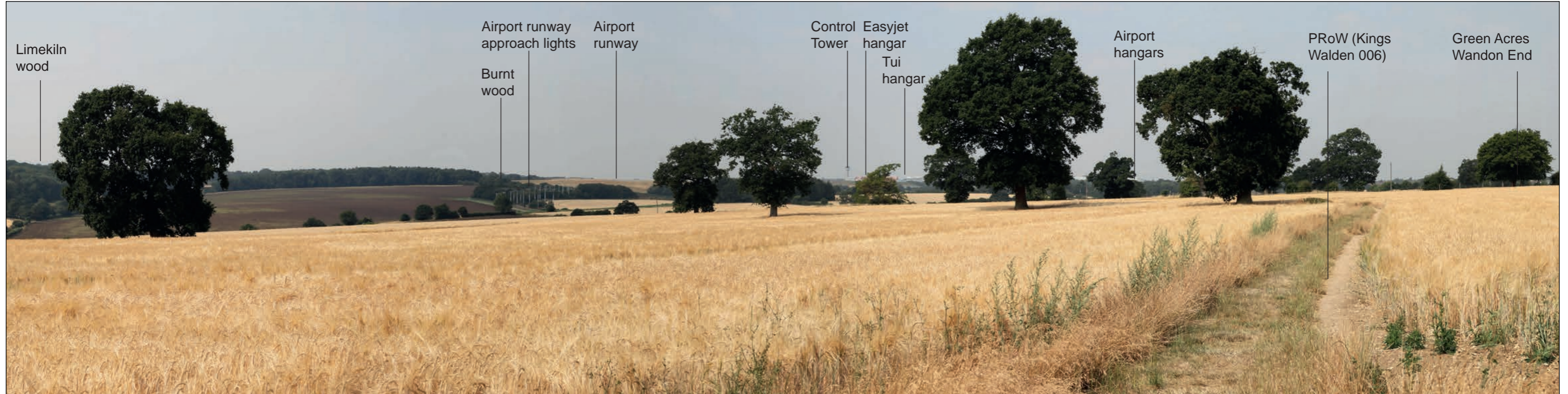
Additional Mitigation

The additional mitigation measures would introduce additional hedgerow trees that would adjoin the western side of this footpath near the mature trees in the foreground (Work 5e), and that would, in time, establish to largely screen the existing airport buildings and Proposed Development, particularly during summer months.

Camera Location



Summer Photograph



National Grid Reference: 515042.438, 221838.358, 146.76aod
Date / Time: 26th July 2018 (10:55)
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Accurate Viewing Distance: 300mm

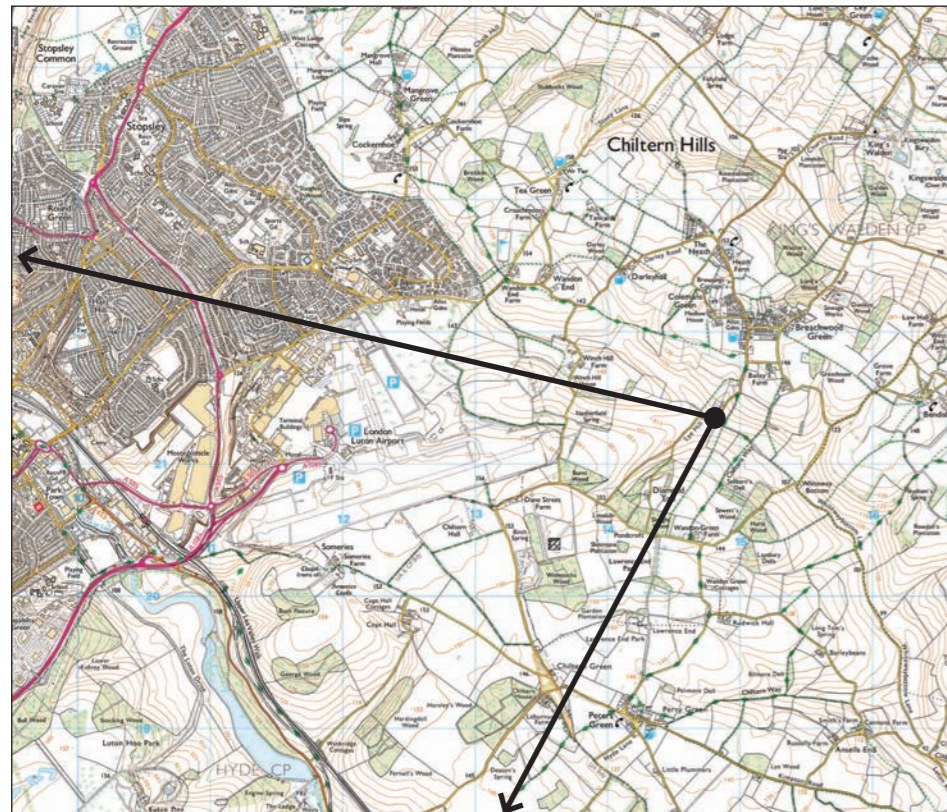
Assessment Viewpoint 35 : Footpath (Chiltern Way)

Winter Photograph



National Grid Reference: 514868.018, 221287.885, 111.49aod
Date / Time: 30th November 2018 (09:40)
Weather Conditions / Visibility: Sunny / Good
Camera & Lens: Canon EOS 5D MKII 50mm lens
Horizontal Field of View: 75 °
Accurate Viewing Distance: 300mm

Location Plan



Baseline Description

This viewpoint is located on public footpath Kings Walden 003, where forming part of the Chiltern Way long distance footpath, approximately 1.1km east of Main Application Site. The view is orientated in a westerly direction and is representative of the view experienced by users of footpaths near Lye Hill.

The view is framed to the right by mature trees and overlooks an arable field with established hedgerow vegetation in the foreground across the left of the view. The existing airport runway approach lights can be seen in the middle-distance to the far side of Lye Hill within the centre-right part of the view, with Winch Hill Wood visible beyond. The view to the airport lights is glimpsed by users of PRow Kings Walden 003, as the hedgerow, visible across the left of the view, largely screens these features, particularly during summer months.

Anticipated Change to View

The Proposed Development would introduce built form in Phases 2a and 2b, notably Works 3b, 3c and 2g, which would be discernible on the horizon, beyond foreground vegetation and above intervening tree cover, within the centre-right part of the view, particularly during winter months.

Camera Location



Summer Photograph



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Date / Time: 26th July 2018 (10:37)
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Accurate Viewing Distance: 300mm

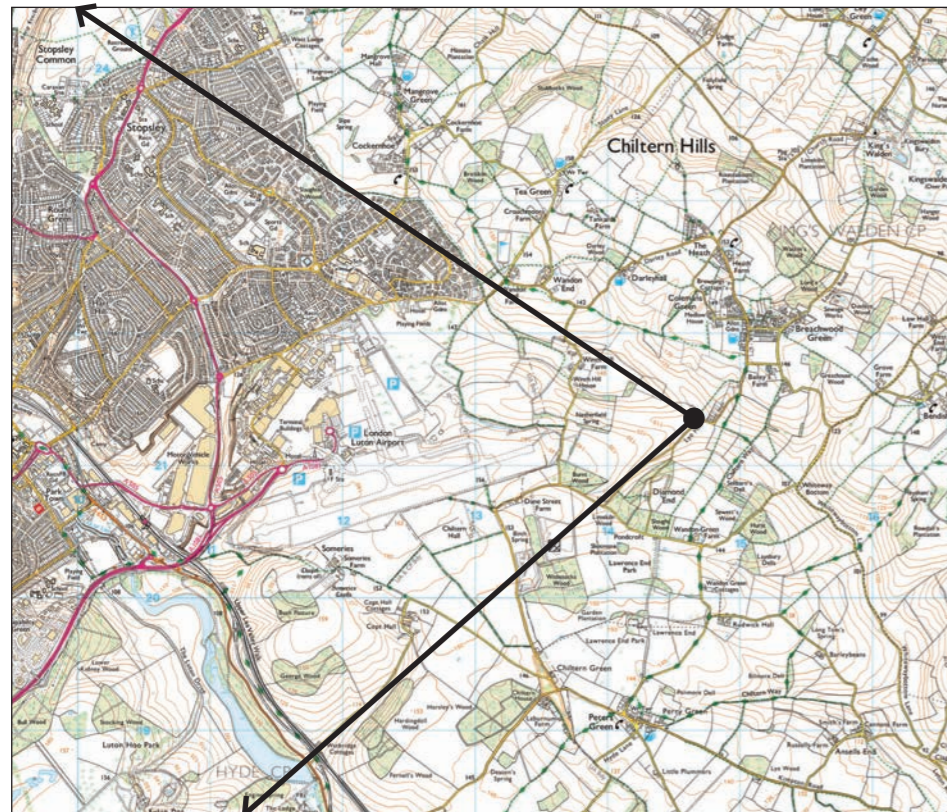
Representative Viewpoint 35a : Footpath (Chiltern Way)

Winter Photograph



National Grid Reference: 514710.342, 221401.393 115.05aod
Date / Time: 30th November 2018 (09:50)
Weather Conditions / Visibility: Sunny / Good
Camera & Lens: Canon EOS 5D MKII 50mm lens
Horizontal Field of View: 75 °
Accurate Viewing Distance: 300mm

Location Plan



Baseline Description

This viewpoint is located on public footpath Kings Walden 005 near Lye Hill, approximately 650m east of the Main Application Site. The view is orientated in a westerly direction and is representative of the view experienced by people in Breachwood Green, The Heath and Lye Hill. The view overlooks an arable field that extends up a hill into the middle-distance. Airport runway approach lights are visible near the top of the slope in the centre of the view and woodland vegetation can be seen on the horizon at Burnt Wood in the far left of the view; at Winch Hill Wood, to the right of the approach lights in the centre of the view; and at the plantation east of Winch Hill House in the far right part of the view.

Anticipated Change to View

The Proposed Development would be largely screened from this viewpoint. Site clearance activities, the installation of a soakaway and the storage of excavated material in the land to the east of Winch Hill Road is however anticipated to be evident in the middle-distance in Phase 2a, beyond the runway approach lights and to the right of Winch Hill Wood. Works 2g, 3b.02 and 3c.02 may also be evident in the distance and on the horizon to the right of Winch Hill Wood in Phase 2b.

Camera Location



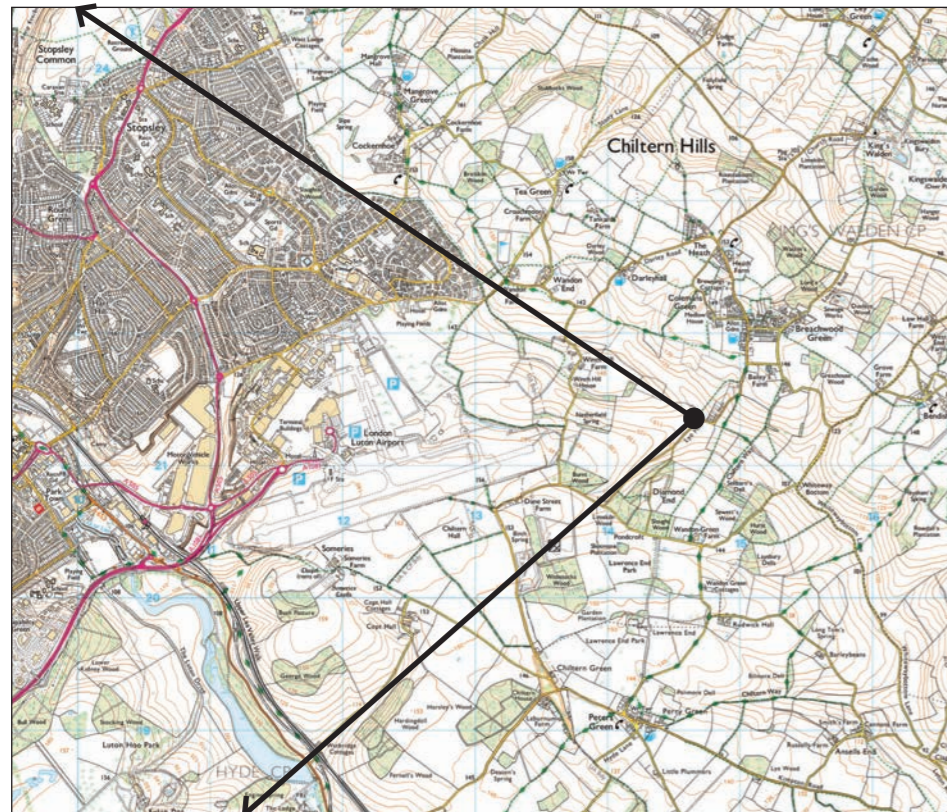
Representative Viewpoint 35a : Footpath (Chiltern Way)

Summer Photograph



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Horizontal Field of View: 75 °
Accurate Viewing Distance: 300mm

Location Plan



Camera Location



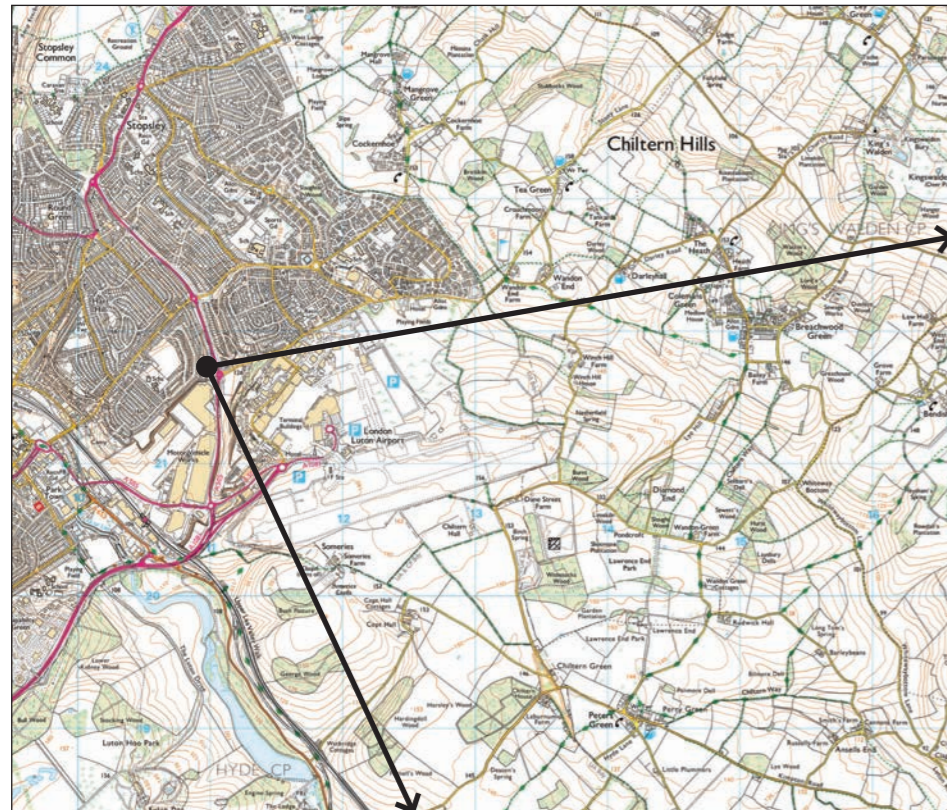
Assessment Viewpoint 36 : Vauxhall Way

Winter Photograph



National Grid Reference: 511032.734, 221677.115, 123.35aod
Date / Time: 19th December 2018 (09:42)
Weather Conditions / Visibility: Sunny / Good
Camera & Lens: Canon EOS 5D MKII 50mm lens
Horizontal Field of View: 75 °
Accurate Viewing Distance: 300mm

Location Plan



Baseline Description

This viewpoint is located on the pavement adjacent to the junction of Vauxhall Way and Harrowden road, approximately 100m west of the Main Application Site. The view is orientated in a south easterly direction and is representative of the view experienced by users of Vauxhall Way.

A large roundabout and car park dominate across the foreground of the view and extend up to the base of Dairyborn Escarpment, visible in the middle-distance across the centre and right part of the view. Several airport related buildings are visible on the top of the escarpment across the view and a couple of light industrial buildings are visible in the middle-distance, on the lower lying slopes of the escarpment.

Anticipated Change to View

Whilst changes associated with the East of Luton Study are assumed to alter the configuration of this junction, Work 6t would introduce only modest changes to the foreground of this view in Phase 1 and all other aspects of the Proposed Development would be screened during this phase.

Some site clearance activities (including the removal of some existing vegetation and built form at the top of the escarpment), Work 6a(02) and works to restore the landscape following delivery of the Airport Access Road (Work 5a) would however be visible at the top of the escarpment, in the middle-distance and across the right part of this view during and from Phase 2a.

Camera Location



Summer Photograph



National Grid Reference: 511032.734, 221677.115, 123.35aod
Date / Time: 26th July 2018 (15:22)
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Horizontal Field of View: 75 °
Accurate Viewing Distance: 300mm

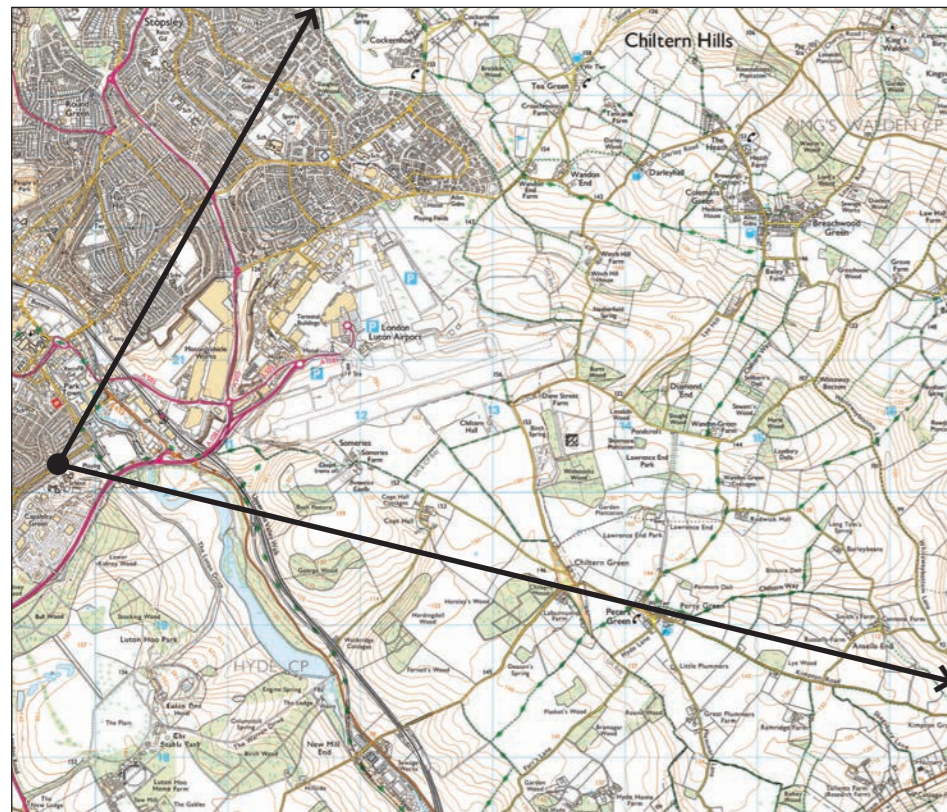
Assessment Viewpoint 37 : Cuttenhoe Road

Winter Photograph



National Grid Reference: 509672.979, 220184.348, 127.04aod
Date / Time: 28th November 2022 (11:55)
Weather Conditions / Visibility: Sunny / Good
Camera & Lens: Canon EOS 5D MKIV 50mm lens
Horizontal Field of View: 75 °
Accurate Viewing Distance: 300mm

Location Plan



Baseline Description

This viewpoint is located on the pavement adjacent to the junction of Cuttenhoe Road and Seymour Road, approximately 1.5km west of the Main Application Site. The view is orientated in an easterly direction and is representative of the view experienced by people living in or moving through the New Town area of Luton.

The view shows a tree lined residential street in the foreground that extends down a slope. The industrial townscape of south east Luton is visible in the centre part of the view, on the far side of the Lea Valley. In the middle-distance, existing airport buildings, notably the control tower, hotels and airport hangars north of existing terminal, are visible beyond intervening vegetation and on the horizon within the centre part of the view.

Anticipated Change to View

The Proposed Development would be largely screened from this viewpoint by intervening landform, vegetation and built form. Some site clearance activities, Work 6a(02) and works to restore the landscape following delivery of the Airport Access Road (Work 5a) would however be evident near the top of Dairyborn Escarpment from Phase 2a; in the centre and centre left part of the view.

Construction activities associated with the delivery of Works 3b(01) and 4g may be visible in the distant centre and centre right part of the view in Phase 2a and glimpsed views of Works 3b(02), 4a and 4b may be discernible beyond existing airport built form in the centre part of the view during Phase 2b.

Camera Location



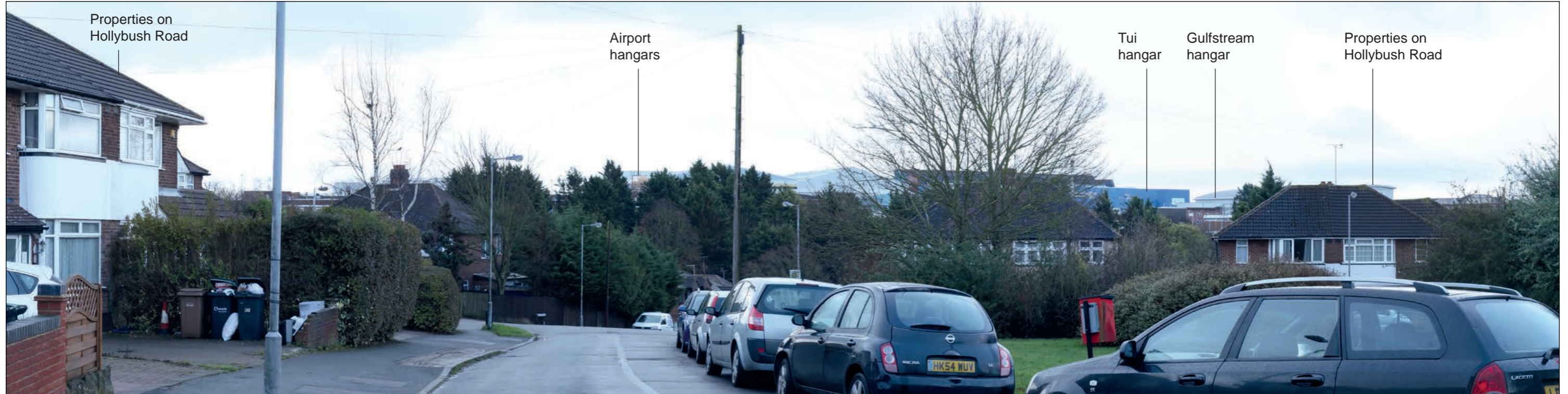
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Accurate Viewing Distance: 300mm

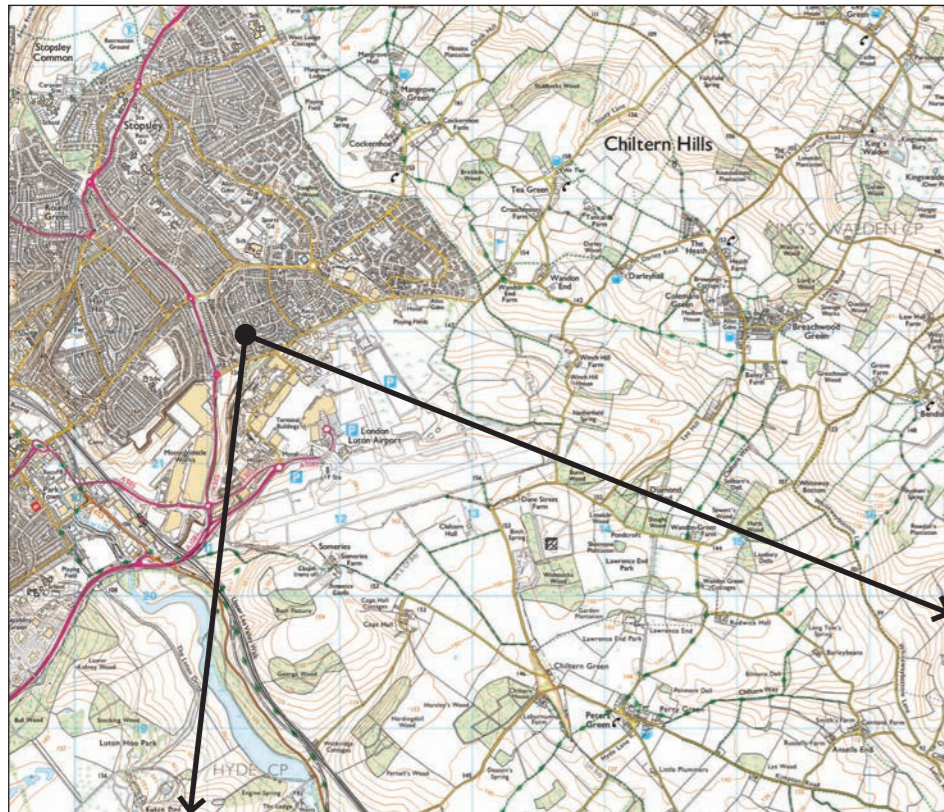
Assessment Viewpoint 38 : Mistletoe Hill

Winter Photograph



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Date / Time: 19th December 2018 (09:42)
Weather Conditions / Visibility: Sunny / Good
Camera & Lens: Canon EOS 5D MKII 50mm lens
Horizontal Field of View: 75 °
Accurate Viewing Distance: 300mm

Location Plan



Baseline Description

This viewpoint is located adjacent to Hollybush Road, approximately 350m north of the Main Application Site. The view is orientated in a south easterly direction and is representative of the view experienced by people in South Wigmore.

The view shows a residential street in the foreground with an area of open space and residential properties visible to the far-right of the view. A belt of mature coniferous vegetation is visible across the centre part of the view aligning Mistletoe Hill. Airport hangars and other buildings are visible in the middle-distance above intervening vegetation and built form across the centre and right parts of the view.

Anticipated Change to View

The Proposed Development would be almost entirely screened from this location due to intervening vegetation and existing built form. Some site clearance activities associated with the delivery of Works 6a(02) and 6a(03) would however be discernible in the middle-distance and beyond intervening coniferous vegetation during Phases 2a and 2b. Work 4b would also be partially visible beyond the residential properties in the far-left part of the view in Phase 2b.

Camera Location



Summer Photograph



National Grid Reference: 511298.335, 221962.522, 157.16aod
Date / Time: 26th July 2018 (15:02)
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Horizontal Field of View: 75 °
Accurate Viewing Distance: 300mm

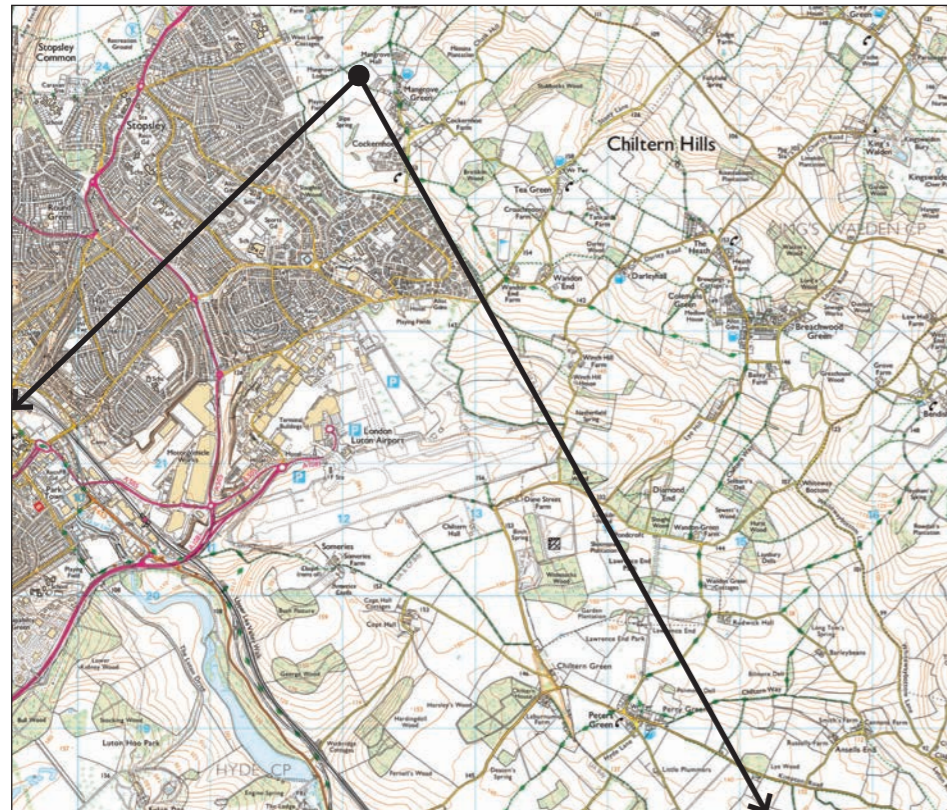
Assessment Viewpoint 39 : Footpath (Offley 26)

Winter Photograph



National Grid Reference: 512136.592, 223886.593, 168.57aod
Date / Time: 19th December 2018 (14:39)
Weather Conditions / Visibility: Sunny / Good
Camera & Lens: Canon EOS 5D MKII 50mm lens
Horizontal Field of View: 75 °
Accurate Viewing Distance: 300mm

Location Plan



Baseline Description

This viewpoint is located on public footpath Offley 026, approximately 2km north of the Main Application Site. The view is orientated in a southerly direction and is representative of the view experienced by users of footpath Offley 026, west of Cockernhoe.

The view overlooks an area of arable farmland with a mature hedgerow visible in the middle-distance. An existing airport hangar is discernible in the distance and on the horizon within the centre right part of the view.

Anticipated Change to View

The Proposed Development would be largely screened from this viewpoint due to the intervening tree and hedgerow vegetation. It is anticipated however that some construction activities, notably those associated with Works 3b and 4a, may be discernible between intervening vegetation within the centre and left parts of the view in Phases 2a and 2b.

Camera Location



Summer Photograph



National Grid Reference: 512136.592, 223886.593, 168.57aod
Date / Time: 26th July 2018 (16:55)
Weather Conditions / Visibility: Sunny / Good
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Horizontal Field of View: 75 °
Accurate Viewing Distance: 300mm

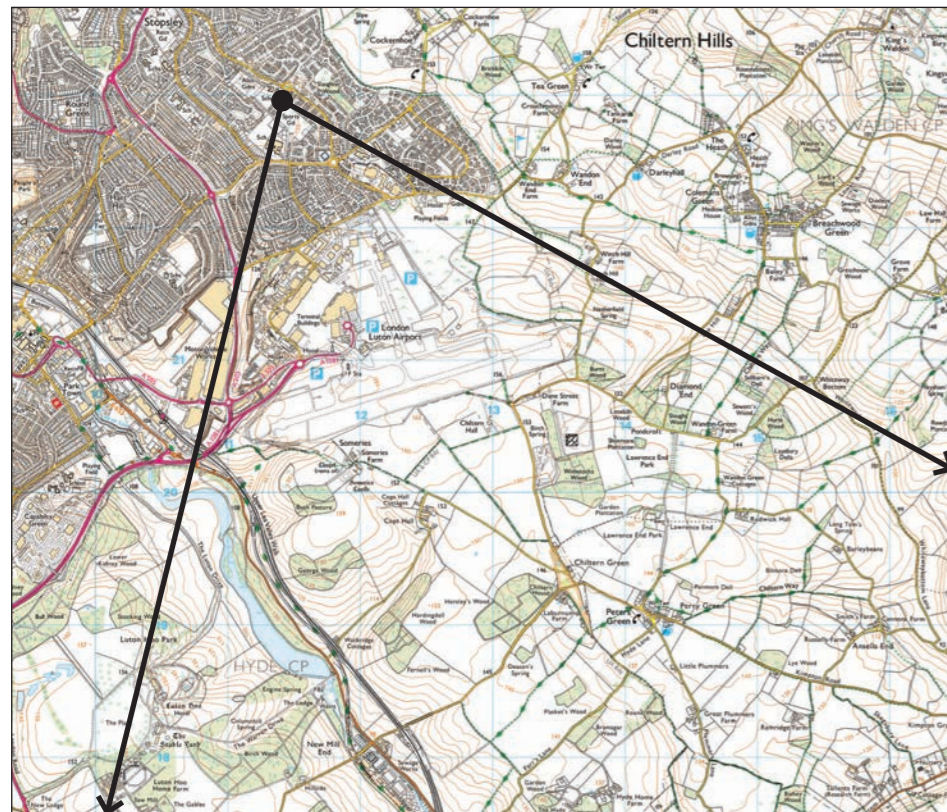
Assessment Viewpoint 40 : Someries Hill

Winter Photograph



National Grid Reference: 511419.165, 222907.336, 158.23aod
Date / Time: 19th December 2018 (10:29)
Weather Conditions / Visibility: Cloudy / Moderate
Camera & Lens: Canon EOS 5D MKII 50mm lens
Horizontal Field of View: 75 °
Accurate Viewing Distance: 300mm

Location Plan



Baseline Description

This viewpoint is located adjacent to Someries Hill, approximately 1km north of the Main Application Site. The view is orientated in a south easterly direction and is representative of the view experienced by residents of Someries Hill and users of the Crawley Green recreation ground. The view overlooks an area of amenity grassland adjoined by broadleaf and coniferous trees. A social club and residential properties can be seen across the view in the middle-distance. The existing Signature flight support hangar is visible on the horizon, beyond intervening built form and vegetation, in the centre part of the view.

Anticipated Change to View

The Proposed Development would introduce additional built form in Phases 2a and 2b - notably Works 3b and 4a - which would be visible beyond the intervening coniferous vegetation in the centre-left part of the view. Work 4b would also be visible to the right of the existing Signature hangar from Phase 2b, above the social club and beyond the intervening tree vegetation in the centre-right part of the view.

Camera Location



Summer Photograph



National Grid Reference: 511419.165, 222907.336, 158.23aod
Date / Time: 7th August 2018 (13:26)
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Accurate Viewing Distance: 300mm

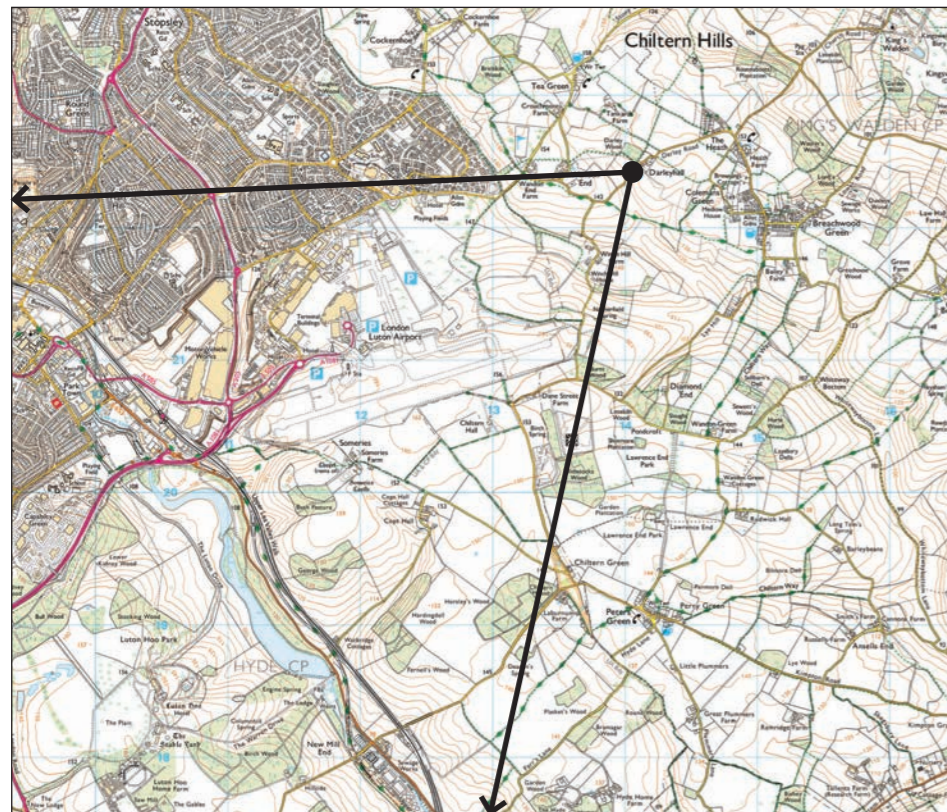
Assessment Viewpoint 41 : The Fox Inn, Darley Road

Winter Photograph



National Grid Reference: 514089.350, 222433.238, 141.83aod
Date / Time: 30th November 2018 (11:02)
Weather Conditions / Visibility: Sunny / Good
Camera & Lens: Canon EOS 5D MKII 50mm lens
Horizontal Field of View: 75 °
Accurate Viewing Distance: 300mm

Location Plan



Baseline Description

This viewpoint is located adjoining the car park of the Fox Inn public house approximately 400m north-east of the Main Application Site. The view is orientated in a south westerly direction and is representative of the view experienced by people in Darleyhall, users of Darley Road and users of footpath Kings Walden 010.

The view overlooks an area of gently undulating arable farmland intersected by fragmented roadside hedgerows and occasional blocks of woodland. The mature hedgerow that aligns the ridge of Winch Hill is visible beyond foreground vegetation and in the middle-distance within the centre part of the view and is seen alongside that surrounding Winch Hill Farmhouse in the centre-left part of the view. The control tower and some existing airport buildings are discernible beyond foreground vegetation in the right of the view and planes visible on the existing airport apron can be seen on the horizon in the centre-left part of the view.

Note: Winch Hill Farmhouse was demolished in 2019.

Anticipated Change to View

The Replacement Open Space (Work 5b(02)) would introduce additional woodland planting, hedgerow vegetation and hedgerow trees into the middle-distance in Phase 1. This planting is however determined to only partially screen proposed site clearance activities, earthworks and the introduction of new built form in Phases 2a and 2b; notably Works 2f, 2g, 3b and 4a.

Additional Mitigation

The additional landscape mitigation measures (Work 5d) proposed in Phases 1 and 2a would infill the hedgerow that is visible in the foreground, would introduce additional woodland vegetation onto the ridgeline visible to the left of Darley Road and nearside of Winch Hill Farmhouse, would restore the hedgerow that adjoins the Chiltern Way in the left part of the view and convert to meadow grassland or pasture the arable fields that are visible across the left of the view in the foreground and middle-distance. Proposed mitigation measures would also strengthen field boundaries aligning Darley Road in the middle-distance to further increase screening.

Camera Location



Summer Photograph



National Grid Reference: 514089.350, 222433.238, 141.83aod
Date / Time: 7th August 2018 (09:47)
Weather Conditions / Visibility: Sunny / Good
Camera & Lens: Canon EOS 5D MKII 50mm lens
Horizontal Field of View: 75 °
Accurate Viewing Distance: 300mm