

# The Millbrook Power (Gas Fired Power Station) Order

# 6.2 Environmental Statement Appendices – Volume K Appendices 11.1 – 11.3 Landscape and Visual Impact

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# 11.1 - Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment Tables

BASELINE A	BASELINE AND SENSITIVITY  CHANGE, MAGNITUDE AND SIGNIFICANCE								
The area is do To the north o vale continues Marston Vale belts of relativ	of the Power Generation Plant Site on the edge of Bedford. To the and the area is characterised by	after-uses, transport infrastructure and e Rookery North Pit is occupied by a larg e south, south-east and west low ridges or by gently rolling, large, open arable fields as. Some fields are crossed by electricity	The Zone of Theoretical Visibility (ZTV - Figure 11.1) has been produced on a 'worst case' basis with a spot location representing the top of the stack at a height of 35m above the floor of the Rookery South Pit. Key visual barriers have been plotted, including existing areas of residential settlement, industrial development and visually significant woodland. The resultant ZTV shows the theoretical visibility. However, in reality, visibility of the development proposals will be less than the ZTV shows, as other features such as hedgerows or isolated properties are likely to provide additional filtering of views.  Description of Baseline View,  Value of Views,  Description of Change to the View  Mitigation  Size / scale, Geographical Extent  Nature  SIGNIFICANCE						
Viewpoint No. and Location	Designation, Landscape Character Area and Approx. Distance to Site Boundary	Description of Baseline View, Type of View and Number of Users	Value of Views, Susceptibility to Change; OVERALL SENSITIVITY	Description of Change to the View	Mitigation	Size / scale, Geographical Extent and Duration / reversibility; OVERALL MAGNITUDE	Nature of Effect	SIGNIFICANCE	OVERALL SIGNIFICANCE
1: Footpath south of Stewartby Way	Designation: Public footpath Forest of Marston Vale  LCA: County 5D-North Marston Clay Vale Forest of Marston Vale Brickfields  Distance: (to nearest point of FCP development)  1.4km to north-east of Project Site	Baseline Description, Type of View, Viewer and Number of Users:  Medium distance, obscured view southwest across open fields towards Project Site beyond the railway embankment in the context of railway catenary poles.  Moderate number of walkers.	Value of Views: Low (as undesignated area and local footpath)  Susceptibility to Change: Medium (as views from local footpath)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: MEDIUM	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction: Glimpsed view of construction works partially obscured by railway embankment and landform.  On Completion: Power Generation Plant screened by railway	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation: None needed.  Embedded Mitigation:	During Construction: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-west; middistance view; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT  On Completion: Size/Scale: No change	Adverse n/a	Minor Significance  Not Significant	Not Significant  Not Significant
				embankment and landform.	Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility.  Additional Mitigation Management of existing vegetation. Addition of new planting.	Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-west; middistance view; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE			
				15 Years After Planting: Power Generation Plant screened by railway embankment and landform.	Embedded Mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility.  Additional Mitigation Management of existing vegetation. Addition of new planting.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-west; middistance view; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant

Type of View:
Number of Viewers:
Value of Views:
Susceptibility to Change:
Overall Sensitivity of Receptor:
Size/Scale of Effect:

Glimpsed, Open, Oblique, Obscured, Framed, Filtered

Few, Moderate, Many High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low

Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change

Geographical Extent of Effect: Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect:

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Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term, Direct, Indirect
Yes, within (timescale)/No
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Abbreviations:

Decommissioning at 25 Years: Glimpsed view of decommissioning works partially obscured by railway embankment and landform.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 Years: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-west; middistance view; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
GAS CONNECTION  During Construction: Glimpsed view of construction works partially obscured by railway embankment	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation: None needed.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-west; middistance view; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
On Completion: Gas Connection screened by railway embankment.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Planting around all sides of AGI.  Additional Mitigation: None needed.	On Completion: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-west; middistance view; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
15 Years After Planting: Gas Connection screened by railway embankment.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed. Planting around all sides of AGI.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-west; middistance view; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
Decommissioning at 25 Years: Glimpsed view of decommissioning works partially obscured by railway embankment.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP. Additional Mitigation	Decommissioning at 25 Years: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-west; middistance view; and a small element of	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant

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		ELECTRICAL CONNECTION  During Construction: Glimpsed view of construction works partially obscured by railway embankment.	None needed.  Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the	the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT  During Construction: Size/Scale: Slight	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
		Temporary and new transmission towers in addition to existing tower until it is removed.	CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-west; mid- distance view; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT			
		On Completion: Top half of transmission tower visible.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-west; middistance view; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
		15 Years After Planting: Top part of transmission tower visible.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-west; middistance view; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
		Decommissioning at 25 Years: Glimpsed view of decommissioning works partially obscured by railway embankment.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 Years: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-west; middistance view; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant

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2: Footpath opposite Chequers Public House	Designation:  Public footpath Forest of Marston Vale  LCA: County 5D-North Marston Clay Vale Forest of Marston Vale Greensand Ridge and East	Baseline Description, Type of View, Viewer and Number of Users:  Medium distance view west across open fields towards Project Site beyond the railway, seen in the context of existing wind turbine; glimpsed views through gaps in hedge for motorists.  Moderate number of walkers and	Value of Views: Low (as undesignated area and local footpath)  Susceptibility to Change: Medium (as receptors are travellers on roads and public rights of way)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY:	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction: Glimpsed view of construction works partially obscured by the landform and intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP . PGP located within pit, reducing potential visibility.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the west, oblique to route of footpath; mid-distance view; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
	Vale  Distance:  1.6km to east of Project Site	motorists.	MEDIUM	On Completion:	Embedded Mitigation	OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT  On Completion: Size/Scale: Slight	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
				Glimpsed view of upper part of stack and other structures beyond the railway, partially filtered by intervening vegetation, seen against backdrop of hills.	Mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit reducing potential visibility. Building design, colour and materials.	Geographical Extent: View direction to the west, oblique to route of footpath; mid-distance view; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE:			
					Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation Management of existing vegetation. Addition of new planting.	SLIGHT			
				15 Years After Planting: Filtered view of upper part of stack beyond the railway, through maturing vegetation, seen against backdrop of hills.	Embedded Mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit reducing potential visibility. Building design, colour and materials. Replacement of all vegetation removed.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the west, oblique to route of footpath; mid-distance view; and a small element of the wider view Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
					Additional mitigation: Management of existing vegetation and new planting.				

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	Decommissioning at 25 years: Glimpsed view of decommissioning works partially obscured by the landform and intervening vegetation	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional mitigation: None needed	Decommissioning at 25 Years: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the west, oblique to route of footpath; mid-distance view; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
	GAS CONNECTION  During Construction: Glimpsed view of construction works partially obscured by the landform and intervening vegetation	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the west, oblique to route of footpath; mid-distance view; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
	On Completion: No changes perceptible at this distance	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed. Planting around all sides of AGI.  Additional Mitigation None needed	On Completion: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the west, oblique to route of footpath; mid-distance view; and a small element of the wider view. Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
	15 Years After Planting: No changes perceptible at this distance	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed. Planting around all sides of AGI  Additional Mitigation None needed.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the west, oblique to route of footpath; mid-distance view; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
	Decommissioning at 25 years: Glimpsed view of decommissioning works partially obscured by the landform and intervening vegetation	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP Additional Mitigation None needed	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the west, oblique to route of footpath; mid-distance view; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant

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	ELECTRICAL CONNECTION  During Construction: Glimpsed view of construction works partially obscured by the landform and intervening vegetation	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP Additional Mitigation None needed	During Construction: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the west, oblique to route of footpath; mid-distance view; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
	On Completion: Partially filtered view of transmission tower, with most seen against the sky.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed  Additional Mitigation: Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the west, oblique to route of footpath; mid-distance view; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
	15 Years After Planting: Partially filtered view of relocated and 3m higher transmission tower, with upper part seen against the sky and lower part increasingly filtered by maturing vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland extended to screen SEC	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the west, oblique to route of footpath; mid-distance view; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
	Decommissioning at 25 years: Glimpsed view of decommissioning works partially obscured by the landform and intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the west, oblique to route of footpath; mid-distance view; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant

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3: Katherine's Cross, Ampthill	Designation:      Ampthill Park (Registered Park and Garden)      Ampthill Conservation Area      Ampthill Castle (Scheduled Ancient Monument)      Marston Vale Trail (Long Distance Path)      Forest of Marston Vale	Baseline Description, Type of View, Viewer and Number of Users:  Distant, wide views north-west towards Project Site from high ground in registered parkland, public park and long distance path. Existing wind turbine in middle distance.  Many walkers and park visitors.	Value of Views: High (as nationally important designation and view is an important part of experience)  Susceptibility to Change: High (as heritage asset where views are an important part of experience)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: HIGH	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction: Distant views of construction activities partially filtered by intervening vegetation and landform. A small element of the view.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; middistance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Moderate Significance	Significant
	LCA: County 6B-Mid Greensand Ridge  Forest of Marston Vale Edge of Greensand Ridge and East Vale  Distance: 2.3km to south-east of Project Site			On Completion: Distant view of stack and other structures, partially filtered by intervening vegetation, seen against distant landscape.	Embedded Mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility. Building design, colour and materials. Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation: Management of existing vegetation.  Addition of new planting.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; middistance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
				15 Years After Planting: Distant view of stack and other structures, filtered by intervening vegetation and maturing new vegetation, seen against distant landscape.	Embedded Mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility Building design, colour and materials. Replacement of all vegetation removed  Additional mitigation: Management of existing and new planting	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; middistance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view. Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
				Decommissioning at 25 years: Distant views of decommissioning activities partially filtered by intervening vegetation and landform.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	Decommissioning at 25 Years: Size/Scale: Negligible Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; mid-	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant

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		Additional Mitigation None needed.	distance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE:  NEGLIGIBLE			
	During Construction: Works associated with the construction of the Pipeline including trenching and operation of mobile plant.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP Additional Mitigation None needed.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; middistance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
	On completion  No change as the Pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Building design, colour and materials.  Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation: Addition of new planting.	Operation (On Completion): Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; middistance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
	15 Years After Planting: No change as the Pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened be intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Building design, colour and materials.  Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation: Addition of new planting.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; middistance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
	Decommissioning at 25 years: No change as the Pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened be intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; middistance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant

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Abbreviations:

	During Construction: Distant views of construction activities partially filtered by intervening vegetation and landform.  Temporary and new transmission towers in addition to existing tower until it is removed.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; middistance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
	On Completion: Distant view of transmission tower against backdrop of other developments in area and distant ridge	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland extended to screen SEC	On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; middistance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
	15 Years After Planting: Distant view of transmission tower against backdrop of other developments in area and distant ridge	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; middistance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
	Decommissioning at 25 years: Distant views of construction activity associated with the removal of SECs, partially filtered by intervening vegetation	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; middistance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant

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Abbreviations:

4: Rear elevation, Houghton House	Designation:  Ruins of Houghton House (Scheduled Ancient Monument)  Ruins of Houghton House (Listed Building)  Public Footpath  Forest of Marston Vale  LCA: County 6B-Mid Greensand Ridge	Baseline Description, Type of View, Viewer and Number of Users:  Distant, wide views north-west towards Project Site with hills in the background, from high ground from scheduled monument with public access. Existing wind turbine in middle distance/breaking the skyline.  View into pit.  Moderate number of visitors to Houghton House.	Value of Views: High (as nationally important designation and view is an important part of experience)  Susceptibility to Change: Medium (as visitors to heritage assets where views are important part of experience. However, existing turbine and chimneys are within the wider setting.)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: MEDIUM	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction: Distant views of construction activities filtered by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP Additional Mitigation None needed.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
	Forest of Marston Vale Greensand Ridge and East Vale  Distance: 2.6km to south-east of Project Site			On Completion: Distant view of upper parts of Generating Equipment and stack, partially filtered by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mittgation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility.  Building design, colour and materials.  Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation: Management of existing vegetation.  Addition of new planting.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
				15 Years After Planting: Distant view of upper parts of Generating Equipment and stack, filtered by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility. Building design, colour and materials. Replacement of all vegetation removed.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant

Type of View: Number of Viewers: Value of Views: Susceptibility to Change: Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: Size/Scale of Effect: Glimpsed, Open, Oblique, Obscured, Framed, Filtered Few, Moderate, Many

High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low

Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change

Geographical Extent of Effect: Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect:

Significance:

(Descriptive)
Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term, Direct, Indirect
Yes, within (timescale)/No
Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change
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Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

Abbreviations:

			Additional mitigation: Management of existing and new planting.				
		Decommissioning (25 years): Distant views of decommissioning activities filtered by intervening vegetation	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 Years: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant t
		GAS CONNECTION  During Construction:  No change as Gas Connection is screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	During Construction: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; middistance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
		On Completion  No change as the Pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened be intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Building design, colour and materials. Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation: Addition of new planting.	On Completion): Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; middistance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
		15 Years After Planting: No change as the Pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened be intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Building design, colour and materials.  Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation: Addition of new planting.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; middistance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
		Decommissioning at 25 years: No change as the Pipeline would be	Embedded Mitigation:	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: No Change	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant

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	underground and the AGI would be screened be intervening vegetation.	Implementation of the CEMP	Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; middistance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE			
	ELECTRICAL CONNECTION  During Construction: No change as Electrical Connection is screened by intervening vegetation	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	During Construction: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; mid- distance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
	On Completion: No change as transmission tower is screened by intervening vegetation	Additional Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation: Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	On completion: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; middistance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
	15 Years After Planting: No change as transmission tower is screened by intervening vegetation.	Additional Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation: Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	5 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; mid- distance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
	Decommissioning at 25 years:  No change as Electrical Connection is screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	Decommissioning: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; middistance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant

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Abbreviations:

5: In front of cottages, track to Houghton House	Designation:  • Houghton House (Scheduled Ancient Monument)  • Greensand Ridge Walk (Long Distance Path)  • Forest of Marston Vale  LCA: County 6B-Mid Greensand Ridge  Forest of Marston Vale Greensand Ridge and East Vale  Distance: 2.8km to south-east of Project Site	Baseline Description, Type of View, Viewer and Number of Users:  Distant wide views west towards Project Site with hills in the background, from high ground near scheduled monument with public access. Existing wind turbine in middle distance, breaking skyline.  Stewartby chimneys visible to the north.  Moderate number of visitors to Houghton House and residents of cottages.	Value of Views: Medium (moderately popular approach to scheduled monument along Greensand Ridge Walk, where view forms part of experience)  Susceptibility to Change: High (as residents, users of long distance path and visitors to heritage asset)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: HIGH	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction: Distant views of construction activities above intervening vegetation. A small element of the view.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	Duration/Reversibility: Short term OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE  During Construction: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the west; distant view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Moderate Significance	Significant
				On Completion: Distant view of upper parts of Generating Equipment partially filtered by intervening vegetation.	Embedded mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility.  Building design, colour and materials.  Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional mitigation: Management and strengthening of existing vegetation. Addition of new planting	On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the west; distant view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
				15 Years After Planting: Distant view of upper parts of Generating Equipment filtered by intervening vegetation and maturing new vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility.  Building design, colour and materials.  Replacement of all	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the west; distant view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant

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	Decommissioning (25 years): Distant views of decommissioning activities, all above ground plant removed, filtered by substantial intervening vegetation and maturing new vegetation.	vegetation removed.  Additional mitigation: Management of existing vegetation and new planting.  Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 Years: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view from parkland; and a small element of wider the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Moderate Significance	Significant
	GAS CONNECTION  During Construction: Construction activities in narrow corridor across arable field partly obscured by intervening vegetation.  AGI screened by trees.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP Additional Mitigation	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view from parkland; and a small element of wider the wider view. Duration/Reversibility: Short term OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
	On Completion: No change as the Pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screen by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Building design, colour and materials.  Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional mitigation: Addition of new planting.	On Construction: Size/Scale: No change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view from parkland; and a small element of wider the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
	15 Years After Planting: No change as the Pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screen by intervening vegetation	Embedded Mitigation: Building design, colour and materials.  Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional mitigation: Addition of new planting.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view from parkland; and a small element of wider the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE:NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
	Decommissioning at 25 years: No change as the Pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: No change	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant

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	screened by intervening vegetation	CEMP  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view from parkland; and a small element of wider the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE			
	ELECTRICAL CONNECTION  During Construction: Construction of Electrical Connection likely to be visible.  Temporary and new transmission towers in addition to existing tower until it is removed.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP Additional Mitigation None needed.	During Construction Negligible Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view from parkland; and a small element of wider the wider view. Duration/Reversibility: Short term OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significan
	On Completion: Electrical connection likely to be visible.	Embedded Mitigation: Building design, colour and materials.  Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional mitigation: Addition of new planting.	On Construction Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view from parkland; and a small element of wider the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significan
	15 Years After Planting:	Embedded Mitigation: Electrical connection likely to be visible.  Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional mitigation: Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view from parkland; and a small element of wider the wider view. Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significan
	Decommissioning at 25 years: Decommissioning activities likely to be visible.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	Decommissioning at 25 years Size/Scale: Negligible Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west;	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significan

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Abbreviations:

6: B530/ Footpath on outskirts of Ampthill	Designation:  • Edge of Ampthill Park (Registered Park and Garden)  • Greensand Ridge Walk (Long Distance Path) on B530  • Forest of Marston Vale  LCA: County 6B-Mid Greensand Ridge  Forest of Marston Vale	Baseline Description, Type of View, Viewer and Number of Users:  Distant open view north-west towards Project Site, across Ampthill Park. Intervening vegetation comprises hedgerows and maturing woodland plantations. Existing wind turbine in the middle distance breaking the skyline.  Moderate number of walkers; glimpsed views by moderate number of motorists.	Value of Views: High (nationally important designation of Ampthill Park)  Susceptibility to Change: Medium (as although a long distance path and view across historic landscape, expectations are reduced as on major road)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: HIGH	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction: Distant views of construction activities, including cranes, filtered by intervening vegetation	Additional Mitigation None needed.  Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP Additional Mitigation	distant view from parkland; and a small element of wider the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE  During Construction: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view with intervening hedgerows and maturing woodland plantations; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Moderate Significance	Significant
	Edge of Greensand Ridge and East Vale  Distance: 2.5km to south-east of Project Site			On Completion: Distant view of upper part of new stack and other structures, partially filtered by intervening vegetation and seen against distant low ridges.	Embedded mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility.  Building design, colour and materials.  Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional mitigation: Management t of existing vegetation. Addition of new planting.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view with intervening hedgerows and maturing woodland plantations; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
				15 Years After Planting: Distant view of upper part of new stack, filtered by intervening vegetation and maturing new vegetation, seen against distant low ridges.	Embedded Mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility. Building design, colour and materials. Replacement of all	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view with intervening hedgerows and woodland plantations; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant

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Constru	struction:	Implementation of the CEMP	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view with intervening hedgerows and woodland plantations; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
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		Mitigation: Addition of new planting.	Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE			
	Decommissioning at 25 years: No change as the Pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened be intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	Decommissioning: Size/Scale: No change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; middistance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
	ELECTRICAL CONNECTION  During Construction: Construction activities around transmission tower and SEC.  Temporary and new transmission towers in addition to existing tower until it is removed.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; middistance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significance
	On Completion: Distant view of transmission tower seen against existing development and distant ridge.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; middistance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant

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				15 Years After Planting: Distant view of transmission tower seen against existing development and distant ridge partly screened by new planting.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  . Additional Mitigation Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; middistance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
				Decommissioning at 25 years: Decommissioning activities filtered by maturing vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; middistance view from parkland; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
6a: Marston Vale Forest Centre including the approach track	Designation:  • Marston Vale Trail (Long Distance Path)  • National Cycle Network – Route 51  • Forest of Marston Vale  LCA: County 5D-North Marston Clay Vale  Forest of Marston Vale  Brickfields	Baseline Description, Type of View, Viewer and Number of Users:  Medium distance view south-east towards Project Site from the Millennium Country Park and Cycle Route 51, above woodland and in the context of the existing turbine, distant pylons and chimneys at Stewartby.  Moderate number of Country Park visitors and cyclists.	Value of Views: Medium (Local/regional importance of Forest Centre and views from National Cycle Route to Project Site are not part of experience)  Susceptibility to Change: Medium (owing to semienclosed area of country park where view is moderately important)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY:	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction:  Medium distance views of cranes may be possible, filtered by intervening vegetation.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP  Additional Mitigation None needed.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
	Distance: 1.1km to north-west of Project Site		MEDIUM	On Completion: View of top of stack filtered by intervening vegetation.	Embedded mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility. Building design, colour and materials. Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional mitigation: Management of existing vegetation.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant

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Abbreviations:

		Addition of new planting.				
	15 Years After Planting: View of top of stack increasingly filtered by maturing intervening vegetation	Embedded Mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility. Building design, colour and materials. Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional mitigation: Management of existing and new planting.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  View direction to the south-east; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
	Decommissioning at 25 years:  Medium distance views of cranes may be possible, filtered by intervening vegetation	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
	GAS CONNECTION					
	During Construction: No change as Gas Connection is screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	During Construction: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east and southeast; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view. Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
	On Completion: No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional mitigation: Addition of new planting.	On Completion: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east and southeast; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant

Type of View: Number of Viewers: Value of Views: Susceptibility to Change: Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: Size/Scale of Effect: Glimpsed, Open, Oblique, Obscured, Framed, Filtered Few, Moderate, Many High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change Geographical Extent of Effect: Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect: Significance: (Descriptive)
Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term, Direct, Indirect
Yes, within (timescale)/No
Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change
Adverse, Benefit, Neutral, Not Applicable, Direct, Indirect, Secondary
Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

Abbreviations:

LCA: County/District Landscape Character Area
HLCA: Historic Landscape Character Area
AONB: Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
AGLV: Area of Great Landscape Value
PROW: Public Rights of Way

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			OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE			
	15 Years After Planting: No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Additional Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation: Addition of new planting.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east and southeast; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significa
	Decommissioning at 25 years:  No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	Decommissioning: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east and southeast; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significa
	ELECTRICAL CONNECTION  During Construction: Operations associated with modifications to transmission towers and SEC.  Temporary and new transmission towers in addition to existing tower until it is removed.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	During Construction: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east and southeast; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significa
	On Completion: Medium distance view of transmission tower seen against sky with lower part screened by intervening vegetation.	Additional Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation: Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	On Completion): Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east and southeast; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significa

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Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

Abbreviations:

				15 Years After Planting: Medium distance view of transmission tower seen against sky with lower part screened by intervening vegetation.	Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation: Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	15 Years after Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east and southeast; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
				Decommissioning at 25 years: Operations associated with removal of cables and SECs.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	Decommissioning: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east and southeast; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
6b: Marston Vale Millennium Country Park	Designation: Forest of Marston Vale  LCA: County 5D-North Marston Clay Vale Forest of Marston Vale Brickfields  Distance: 1.1km to north-west of Project	Baseline Description, Type of View, Viewer and Number of Users:  Medium distance views south-east towards Project Site from the Country Park cyclist and pedestrian trail, above woodland and in the context of the existing turbine. National Cycle Route 51 runs nearby.  Moderate number of Country Park visitors and cyclists.	Value of Views: Medium (owing to local/regional importance of park)  Susceptibility to Change: Medium (owing to semi- enclosed area of country park where view is moderately important)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: MEDIUM	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction: Possible views of cranes above intervening vegetation.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short Term OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
	Site			On Completion: Filtered views of stack in winter, barely discernible through maturing intervening vegetation.	Embedded mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility. Building design, colour and materials. Additional mitigation: Management of existing vegetation.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant

Type of View:
Number of Viewers:
Value of Views:
Susceptibility to Change:
Overall Sensitivity of Receptor:
Size/Scale of Effect:

Glimpsed, Open, Oblique, Obscured, Framed, Filtered Few, Moderate, Many

High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low

Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change

Geographical Extent of Effect: Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect:

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Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

Abbreviations:

			Addition of new planting.				
		15 Years After Planting: Filtered views of stack in winter, barely discernible through intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility. Building design, colour and materials.  Additional mitigation: Management of existing and new planting.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
		Decommissioning at 25 years: Possible views of cranes above intervening vegetation	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation: None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 Years: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short Term OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
		GAS CONNECTION  During Construction: No change as Gas Connection is screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	During Construction: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
		On Completion: No change as the pipeline would be	Embedded mitigation:	On Completion: Size/Scale: No Change	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant

Type of View:
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Value of Views:
Susceptibility to Change:
Overall Sensitivity of Receptor:
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Abbreviations:

	underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional mitigation: Addition of new planting.	Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE			
	15 Years After Planting: No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Additional Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation: Addition of new planting.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significa
	Decommissioning at 25 years:  No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	Decommissioning: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significa
	ELECTRICAL CONNECTION  During Construction: Views of transmission towers under construction may be possible above intervening vegetation.  Temporary and new transmission towers in addition to existing tower until it is removed.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP. Additional Mitigation None needed.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significa
	On Completion: Top of transmission tower just discernible above intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium Term	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significa

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Abbreviations:

				15 Years After Planting: Top of transmission tower just discernible above intervening vegetation	Embedded Mitigation: None needed  Additional Mitigation None needed.	OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE  15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation. Duration/Reversibility: Long Term  OVERALL NEGLIGIBLE  MAGNITUDE:	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
				Decommissioning at 25 years: Views of cranes may be possible above intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; medium distance view with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
7: Public footpath in front of Ampthill Park House	Designation:  • Ampthill Park (Registered Park and Garden)  • Park House (Listed Building)  • Public Footpath  • Forest of Marston Vale  LCA: County 6B-Mid Greensand Ridge	Baseline Description, Type of View, Viewer and Number of Users:  Low level, medium distance view northwest across the Vale towards the Project Site, in front of Ampthill Park House which is on slightly higher ground. Maturing woodland belt on boundary of registered park. Pylons, turbine and chimneys visible above woodland.  Moderate number of walkers.  No photomontage	Value of Views: High (as within nationally designated landscape)  Susceptibility to Change: High owing to views across registered parkland and from footpath and Ampthill Park House where views contribute to landscape setting of house and apartments.  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: HIGH	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction: Medium distance glimpsed views of construction activities largely screened by intervening woodland. Possible view of cranes above woodland.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP Additional Mitigation None needed.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant

Type of View: Number of Viewers: Value of Views: Susceptibility to Change: Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: Size/Scale of Effect: Glimpsed, Open, Oblique, Obscured, Framed, Filtered Few, Moderate, Many High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change Geographical Extent of Effect: Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect: Significance: (Descriptive)
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Abbreviations:

Forest of Marston Vale Edge of Greensand Ridg East Vale  Distance: 1.8km to south-east of Prisite		On Completion: Medium distance glimpsed views of upper parts of stack, largely screened by intervening woodland.	Embedded mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery  South Pit, reducing potential visibility. Building design, colour and materials.  Additional mitigation: None needed	On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view. Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
		15 Years After Planting: Medium distance glimpsed views of upper parts of Generating Equipment, largely screened by intervening woodland and maturing new vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility. Building design, colour and materials.  Additional mitigation: Management of existing and new planting	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long Term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
		Decommissioning at 25 years:  Medium distance glimpsed views of decommissioning activities largely screened by intervening woodland. Possible view of cranes above woodland.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed	Decommissioning at 25 Years: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGIGLBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
		During Construction: No change as Gas Connection is screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	During Construction: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view. Duration/Reversibility: Short term	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant

Type of View:
Number of Viewers:
Value of Views:
Susceptibility to Change:
Overall Sensitivity of Receptor:
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Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

Abbreviations:

			OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE			
	On Completion: No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional mitigation: Addition of new planting.	On Completion: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE_NO CHANGE:	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
	15 Years After Planting:  No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Additional Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation: Addition of new planting.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
	Decommissioning at 25 years:  No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	Decommissioning: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
	During Construction: Temporary and new transmission towers in addition to existing tower until it is removed. SEC not visible.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP. Additional Mitigation None needed	During Construction: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Moderate significance	Significant
1	On Completion:	Embedded	On Completion:	Adverse	Minor significance	Not significant

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Abbreviations:

				Top of new transmission tower visible above intervening vegetation.  Existing tower removed from view.	Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE			
				15 Years After Planting: Top of new transmission tower visible above intervening vegetation.  Existing tower removed from view.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor significance	Not significant
				Decommissioning at 25 years: Operations associated with removal of SEC. Top of new tower visible above intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP. Additional Mitigation None needed	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-west; distant view with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor significance	Not significant
8: Rear of St Mary's Church, Marston Moretaine	Designation:  Marston Vale Trail (Long Distance Path)  National Cycle Network – Route 51  Parish Church of St Mary the Virgin (Listed Building) partly behind trees behind viewpoint  Tower belonging to Church of St Mary the	Baseline Description, Type of View, Viewer and Number of Users:  Medium distance views east towards Project Site only from footpaths in fields south-east of the church due to intervening vegetation. Pylons are visible and Marston Vale turbine is prominent in the view. Existing housing, traffic and poles also visible.  Moderate number of walkers.	Value of Views: Medium (owing to long distance path but views are only moderately important in this location)  Susceptibility to Change: Medium (owing to views being moderately important.)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: MEDIUM	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction: No visibility due to topography and intervening vegetation.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	During Construction: Size/Scale: No change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant; with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
	Virgin (Listed Building) partly behind trees • Forest of Marston Vale  LCA: County 5D-North Marston Clay Vale	iniodelate liullibel of Walkers.		On Completion: No visibility due to topography and intervening vegetation.	Embedded mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing	On Completion: Size/Scale: No change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant; with substantial intervening vegetation.	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant

Type of View: Number of Viewers: Value of Views: Susceptibility to Change: Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: Size/Scale of Effect:

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Geographical Extent of Effect: Duration: Reversibility:
Overall Magnitude of Effect:

Nature of Effect: Significance:

(Descriptive) Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term, Direct, Indirect Yes, within (timescale)/No
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Forest of Marston Vale Brickfields			potential visibility.  Building design, colour and materials.	Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE			
Distance: 1.5km to west of Project Site			Additional mitigation: None needed				
		15 Years After Planting: No visibility due to topography and intervening vegetation.	Embedded mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility.  Additional mitigation: Management of existing and new planting.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant; with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
		Decommissioning at 25 years:  No visibility due to topography and intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP  Additional Mitigation: None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 Years: Size/Scale: No change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant; with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
		GAS CONNECTION  During Construction: No change as Gas Connection is screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	During Construction: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant; with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
		On Completion: No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional mitigation: Addition of new planting.	On Completion: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant; with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant

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Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

Abbreviations:

		OVERALL MAGNITUDE NO			
		CHANGE:			
15 Years After Planting: No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Additional Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed. Additional	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant; with substantial intervening vegetation.	n/a	Not Significant	Not Sigr
	Mitigation: Addition of new planting.	OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE			
Decommissioning at 25 years:  No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	Decommissioning: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant; with	n/a	Not Significant	Not Sign
		substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term			
		OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE			
ELECTRICAL CONNECTION					
During Construction: Construction activities associated with to towers and SEC.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the	During Construction: Size/Scale: Slight	Adverse	Minor significance	Not sig
Temporary and new transmission towers in addition to existing tower until it is removed.	CEMP.  Additional Mitigation	Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant; with substantial intervening vegetation.			
	None needed.	Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT			
On Completion: Upper part of transmission tower seen against sky with lower part screened by houses west of Station Road.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all	On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible	Adverse	Not significant	Not sig
nouses west of Station Road.	vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland	Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant; with substantial intervening vegetation.			
	extended to screen SEC.	OVERALL MAGNITUDE NEGLIGIBLE:			
15 Years After Planting: Upper part of transmission tower seen against sky with lower part screened by	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible	Adverse	Not significant	Not si
houses west of Station Road.	vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland	Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant; with substantial intervening vegetation.			
	extended to screen SEC.	Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE:			

Type of View: Number of Viewers: Value of Views: Susceptibility to Change: Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: Size/Scale of Effect: Glimpsed, Open, Oblique, Obscured, Framed, Filtered Few, Moderate, Many High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change Geographical Extent of Effect: Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect: Significance: (Descriptive)
Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term, Direct, Indirect
Yes, within (timescale)/No
Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change
Adverse, Benefit, Neutral, Not Applicable, Direct, Indirect, Secondary
Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

Abbreviations:

						NEGLIGIBLE			
				Decommissioning at 25 years: Operations associated with removal of SEC. No change assuming tower remains in place.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor significance	Not significant
9: Marston Vale Trail to the north of Lidlington Village	Designation:  • Marston Vale Trail (Long Distance Path)  • 0.2km south-east of Medieval Village and Moated Sites at Thrupp End  • Forest of Marston Vale  LCA: County 5D-North Marston Clay Vale  Forest of Marston Vale	Baseline Description, Type of View, Viewer and Number of Users:  Distant view north-east across the Vale towards the Project Site, limited by substantial intervening vegetation. Turbine in middle distance. Distant view of pylons and chimneys.  Moderate number of walkers on long distance path.	Value of Views: High (as from long distance path)  Susceptibility to Change: Medium (as view is moderately important, but turbine, pylons and chimneys are in the view.)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: HIGH	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction: Possible distant views of cranes above intervening vegetation  On Completion:	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP . Additional Mitigation None needed.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE  On Completion:	Adverse n/a	Minor Significance  Not Significant	Not Significant  Not Significant
	Brickfields  Distance: 2.4km to south-west of Project Site			No visibility due to topography, intervening vegetation and houses on Marston Road.	mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility  Building design, colour and materials.  Additional mitigation: Management of existing vegetation.  Addition of new planting.	Size/Scale: No change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE			

Type of View:
Number of Viewers:
Value of Views:
Susceptibility to Change:
Overall Sensitive of Receptor:

Glimpsed, Open, Oblique, Obscured, Framed, Filtered Few, Moderate, Many High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low

Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: High, Medium, Low Size/Scale of Effect: High, Medium, Low Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change

Geographical Extent of Effect: Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect:

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Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term, Direct, Indirect
Yes, within (timescale)/No
Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change
Adverse, Benefit, Neutral, Not Applicable, Direct, Indirect, Secondary
Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

Abbreviations:

	15 Years After Planting: No visibility due to topography, intervening vegetation and houses on Marston Road.	Embedded Mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility. Building design, colour and materials.  Additional mitigation: Management of existing vegetation and new planting.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
	Decommissioning at 25 years: Possible distant views of cranes above intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation Management of existing and new planting.	Decommissioning at 25 Years: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
	GAS CONNECTION  During Construction: No change as Gas Connection is screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	During Construction: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
	On Completion: No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional mitigation: Addition of new planting.	On Completion: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE_NO CHANGE:	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant

Type of View:
Number of Viewers:
Value of Views:
Susceptibility to Change:
Overall Sensitivity of Receptor:
Size/Scale of Effect:

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Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

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		15 Years After Planting:  No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Additional Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation: Addition of new planting	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
		Decommissioning at 25 years:  No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	Decommissioning: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
		During Construction: Views of construction activities may be possible above intervening vegetation.  Temporary and new transmission towers in addition to existing tower until it is removed.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP  Additional Mitigation None needed.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
		On Completion: Upper part of transmission tower seen against sky with lower part screened by intervening vegetation and houses on Marston Road.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
		15 Years After Planting: Upper part of transmission tower seen against sky with lower part screened by intervening vegetation and houses on Marston Road.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant

Type of View: Number of Viewers: Value of Views: Susceptibility to Change: Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: Size/Scale of Effect: Glimpsed, Open, Oblique, Obscured, Framed, Filtered Few, Moderate, Many High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change Geographical Extent of Effect: Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect: Significance: (Descriptive)
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Adverse, Benefit, Neutral, Not Applicable, Direct, Indirect, Secondary
Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

Abbreviations:

				Decommissioning at 25 years: Views of decommissioning activities may be possible above intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP Additional Mitigation None needed.	OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE  Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
10: John Bunyan Way, Wood End Road, Cranfield	Designation:  John Bunyan Trail (Long Distance Path)  Forest of Marston Vale  LCA: County 5D-North Marston Clay Vale  Forest of Marston Vale Clay Ridge  Distance: 5.5km to west of Project Site	Baseline Description, Type of View, Viewer and Number of Users:  Looking east towards the Project Site, long distance, elevated and extensive views of the Vale and surrounding ridges, including existing industrial/energy development.  Moderate number of walkers on long distance path.	Value of Views: Medium (as on long distance path)  Susceptibility to Change: High (as long distance path and panoramic views from adjoining properties)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: HIGH	During Construction: Distant views of construction activities, including cranes, above intervening vegetation.  On Completion: Distant views of upper part of stack, seen	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP  Additional Mitigation None needed.  Embedded mitigation:	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE  On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible	Adverse	Minor Significance  Minor Significance	Not Significant  Not Significant
				against distant partially wooded ridge.	Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility.  Building design, colour and materials.  Additional mitigation: Management of existing vegetation. Addition of new planting.	Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE			
				15 Years After Planting: Possible distant views of upper part of stack, seen against distant partially wooded ridge.	Embedded Mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility.  Building design, colour and materials.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant

Type of View: Number of Viewers: Value of Views: Susceptibility to Change: Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: Size/Scale of Effect: Glimpsed, Open, Oblique, Obscured, Framed, Filtered Few, Moderate, Many High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change Geographical Extent of Effect: Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect: Significance: (Descriptive)
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Abbreviations:

	Additional mitigation: Management of existing and new planting.				
Decommissioning at 25 years: Distant views of decommissioning activities, including cranes, above intervening vegetation.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 Years: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
GAS CONNECTION  During Construction:  No change as Gas Connection is screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	During Construction: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
On Completion:  No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional mitigation: Addition of new planting.	On Completion: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE_NO CHANGE:	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
15 Years After Planting: No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation/	Additional Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed. Additional	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation.	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant

Type of View: Number of Viewers: Value of Views: Susceptibility to Change: Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: Size/Scale of Effect: Glimpsed, Open, Oblique, Obscured, Framed, Filtered Few, Moderate, Many High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change Geographical Extent of Effect: Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect: Significance: (Descriptive)
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Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

Abbreviations:

	No ch undergr	change as the pipeline would be reground and the AGI would be screened	Mitigation: Addition of new planting.  Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE  Decommissioning: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation  Duration/Reversibility: Short term OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
	During Distant against Tempor	ng Construction: nt views of transmission tower seen ast distant ridge.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP  Additional Mitigation None needed.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
	Distant	nt views of transmission tower seen ast distant ridge.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	On completion: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE  NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
	Distant	nt views of transmission tower seen ist distant ridge.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant

Type of View: Number of Viewers: Value of Views: Susceptibility to Change: Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: Size/Scale of Effect: Glimpsed, Open, Oblique, Obscured, Framed, Filtered Few, Moderate, Many High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change Geographical Extent of Effect: Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect: Significance: (Descriptive)
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Abbreviations:

				Decommissioning at 25 years: Distant view of decommissioning activities including cranes, above intervening vegetation and backdrop of high ground.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the east; distant with substantial intervening vegetation Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
11: Picnic site at Folly Wood, Lidlington	Designation: Public Footpath Forest of Marston Vale  LCA: County 6B-Mid Greensand Ridge  Forest of Marston Vale Greensand Ridge and East Vale  Distance: 3km to south-west of Project Site	Baseline Description, Type of View, Viewer and Number of Users:  Distant, elevated and extensive views across the Proving Ground, with semi-industrial buildings and tracks, north-east towards the Project Site in the wide context of the Vale and Bedford in the distance; existing employment development throughout the Vale; existing wind turbine visible in the middle distance breaking the skyline.	Value of Views: Medium (as from footpath, picnic site and local viewpoint)  Susceptibility to Change: Medium  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: MEDIUM	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction: Distant views of construction activities, including cranes, above intervening vegetation and against background of wider vale and existing development.  On Completion: Distant view of upper part of stack above intervening vegetation, in the context of the turbine and existing development.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP  Additional Mitigation None needed  Embedded mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing	During Construction: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT  On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small	Adverse	Minor Significance  Not Significant	Not Significant  Not Significant
					potential visibility.  Building design, colour and materials.  Additional mitigation:  Management of existing vegetation.  Addition of new planting.	element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE:  NEGLIGIBLE			

Type of View: Number of Viewers: Value of Views: Susceptibility to Change: Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: Size/Scale of Effect: Glimpsed, Open, Oblique, Obscured, Framed, Filtered Few, Moderate, Many High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low

Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change

Geographical Extent of Effect: Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect:

Overall Magnitude of Effect Nature of Effect: Significance:

(Descriptive)
Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term, Direct, Indirect
Yes, within (timescale)/No
Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change
Adverse, Benefit, Neutral, Not Applicable, Direct, Indirect, Secondary
Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

Abbreviations:

	15 Years After Planting: Distant view of upper parts of Generating Equipment, filtered by intervening vegetation and against background of wider vale and existing development.	Embedded Mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility.  Building design, colour and materials.  Additional mitigation: Management of existing and new planting.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
	Decommissioning at 25 years: Removal of above ground plant. Distant views of decommissioning activities, including cranes, above intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation: None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 Years: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
	GAS CONNECTION  During Construction: No change as Gas Connection is screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP  Additional Mitigation: None needed.	During Construction: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant

Type of View: Number of Viewers: Value of Views: Susceptibility to Change: Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: Size/Scale of Effect: Glimpsed, Open, Oblique, Obscured, Framed, Filtered Few, Moderate, Many High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change Geographical Extent of Effect: Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect: Significance: (Descriptive)
Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term, Direct, Indirect
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Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change
Adverse, Benefit, Neutral, Not Applicable, Direct, Indirect, Secondary
Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

Abbreviations:

	On Completion: No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional mitigation: Planting around all sides of AGI	On Completion: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
	15 Years After Planting:  No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Additional Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation: Planting around all sides of AGI	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
	Decommissioning at 25 years:  No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation. New planting retained.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP  Additional Mitigation: None needed	Decommissioning: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
	During Construction: Distant views of construction activities, including cranes, above intervening vegetation against wider Vale landscape.  Temporary and new transmission towers in addition to existing tower until it is removed.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP  Additional Mitigation: None needed	During Construction: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view. Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant

Type of View: Number of Viewers: Value of Views: Susceptibility to Change: Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: Size/Scale of Effect: Glimpsed, Open, Oblique, Obscured, Framed, Filtered Few, Moderate, Many High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change Geographical Extent of Effect: Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect: Significance: (Descriptive)
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Adverse, Benefit, Neutral, Not Applicable, Direct, Indirect, Secondary
Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

Abbreviations:

				On Completion: Distant view of modified transmission tower seen against the landscape, in the context of Proving Ground, turbine and extensive employment development throughout the Vale.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
				15 Years After Planting: Distant view of transmission tower seen against the landscape, in the context of Proving Ground, turbine and extensive employment development throughout the Vale.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland extended to screen SECs.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
				Decommissioning at 25 years: Removal of above ground structures.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP  Additional Mitigation: None needed	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
12: Location of access road off Green Lane	Designation:	Baseline Description, Type of View, Viewer and Number of Users:  Medium distance view south towards the Project Site across Rookery North Pit lake, glimpsed between mature roadside hedgerows in vicinity of proposed access to west (left) of viewpoint; view of existing site access from a public road.  Many motorists and moderate number of walkers.  Note: the assessment is from the viewpoint on the public road; the March 2017 winter photograph is from the gate, not on the public road.	Value of Views: Low/Medium (as although on a long distance path, is on a road through former industrial landscape with low expectations from viewer) Susceptibility to Change: Medium (as the view is only of moderate interest)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: LOW/MEDIUM	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction: Medium distant views of construction activities more noticeable with loss of roadside hedges and trees on Green Lane; roadside vegetation loss on far side of access road not visible. Construction of road in foreground.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP  Additional Mitigation None needed	During Construction: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to south; some intervening vegetation provides limited screening.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
				On Completion: Medium distance views of Power Generation	Embedded mitigation:	On Completion: Size/Scale: Slight	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant

Type of View:
Number of Viewers:
Value of Views:
Susceptibility to Change:
Overall Sensitivity of Receptor:
Size/Scale of Effect:

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Significance:

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Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term, Direct, Indirect
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Adverse, Benefit, Neutral, Not Applicable, Direct, Indirect, Secondary
Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

Abbreviations:

		Plant. Improved access track more visible due to loss of 78m of roadside hedgerows. Upper part of stack and other structures visible against backdrop of distant ridge; completed access road.	Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility.  Building design, colour and materials.  Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional mitigation: Management of existing vegetation.  Addition of new planting including new hedge and tree planting either side of new access track and blocking existing access.	Geographical Extent: View direction to south; some intervening vegetation provides limited screening.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT			
		15 Years After Planting: Medium distance views of Power Generation Plant, largely screened by roadside hedgerows and maturing new vegetation. Upper part of stack and other structures visible against backdrop of distant ridge.	Embedded Mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility. Building design, colour and materials. Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional mitigation: Management of existing vegetation and new planting.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to south; intervening vegetation provides some screening.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
		Decommissioning at 25 years: Removal of above ground plant. Medium distant views of decommissioning activities, including cranes, above intervening vegetation.  GAS CONNECTION	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to south; intervening vegetation provides some screening.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
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Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term, Direct, Indirect
Yes, within (timescale)/No
Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change
Adverse, Benefit, Neutral, Not Applicable, Direct, Indirect, Secondary
Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

Abbreviations:

	During Construction:  No change as Gas Connection is screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	During Construction: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to south; substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significan
	On Completion: No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional mitigation: Addition of new planting.	On Completion: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to south; substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE_NO CHANGE:	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significar
	15 Years After Planting: No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation/	Additional Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation: Addition of new planting.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to south; substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significan
	Decommissioning at 25 years:  No change as the pipeline would be underground and removal of the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	Decommissioning: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to south; substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significar
	ELECTRICAL CONNECTION  During Construction: Construction activities associated with transmission tower and SEC.  Temporary and new transmission towers in addition to existing tower until it is removed.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP. Additional Mitigation None needed.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to south; substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significar

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Abbreviations:

				On Completion: Slightly taller tower.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE  On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to south; substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
				15 Years After Planting: Slightly taller tower.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to south; substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
				Decommissioning at 25 years: Activities associated with removal of SECs.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to south; substantial intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
13: From bridleway, near Hill Farm off Beancroft Road	Designation:  Bridleway  Forest of Marston Vale  LCA: County 5D-North Marston Clay Vale  Forest of Marston Vale Edge of Brickfields  Distance: 3.7km to north-west of Project	Baseline Description, Type of View, Viewer and Number of Users:  Distant, elevated and extensive views of the Vale and surrounding ridges, including existing industrial/energy development, looking south-east towards the site; existing wind turbine visible in the middle distance breaking the skyline.  Moderate number of walkers and horse riders.	Value of Views: Low (as undesignated area and local bridleway)  Susceptibility to Change: Medium (as a local right of way where walkers have a moderate interest in their visual environment)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: MEDIUM	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction: Distant views of construction activities, including cranes, filtered by intervening vegetation and seen against distant ridge.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP  Additional Mitigation None needed.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to south-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
	Site			On Completion: Distant views of stack and other structures, above intervening vegetation, seen against distant ridge.	Embedded mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to south-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant

Type of View:
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Abbreviations:

			Building design, colour and materials.  Additional mitigation: Management of existing vegetation.  Addition of new planting.	Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT			
		15 Years After Planting: Distant views of stack and other structures, above intervening vegetation and maturing new vegetation, seen against distant ridge.	Embedded Mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility. Building design, colour and materials.  Additional mitigation: Management of existing and new planting	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to south-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
		Decommissioning at 25 years: Activities associated with removal of above ground plant.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to south-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
		GAS CONNECTION  During Construction:  No change as Gas Connection is screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	During Construction: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to south-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant

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Abbreviations:

			CHANGE			
	On Completion: No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional mitigation: Addition of new planting.	On Completion: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to south-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE_NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Signif
	15 Years After Planting: No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Additional Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation: Addition of new planting.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to south-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Signi
	Decommissioning at 25 years:  No change as the pipeline would be underground and the AGI would be screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	Decommissioning: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to south-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Signi
	During Construction: Construction activities associated with to towers and SEC.  Temporary and new transmission towers in addition to existing tower until it is removed.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	During Construction: Negligible Size/Scale:  Geographical Extent: View direction to south-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Signil

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Abbreviations:

				On Completion: Distant view of transmission tower seen against distant ridge.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to south-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE  NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
				15 Years After Planting: Distant view of transmission tower seen against distant ridge.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to south-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
				Decommissioning at 25 years: Decommissioning activities associated with removal of above ground plant.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible Geographical Extent: View direction to south-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
14: From footpath 7 near vehicle Proving Ground	Designation:  Public Footpath Forest of Marston Vale  LCA: County 5D-North Marston Clay Vale Forest of Marston Vale Greensand Ridge and East Vale  Distance:	Baseline Description, Type of View, Viewer and Number of Users:  Elevated and relatively close views north to the Project Site and across the connection area and LLRS. Pylons and power lines are prominent in the view. Turbine visible and distant view of chimneys at Stewartby.  Moderate number of walkers.	Value of Views: Low (as undesignated area and local footpath)  Susceptibility to Change: Medium (as viewpoint is a local right of way)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: MEDIUM	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction: Construction activities dominate the middle ground of the view; boundary hoardings screening ground level activities.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional mitigation: Interpretation board at viewing point.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Major  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north; local view with no intervening vegetation; dominant in the view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MAJOR	Adverse	Major Significance	Significant

Type of View: Number of Viewers: Value of Views: Susceptibility to Change: Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: Size/Scale of Effect: Glimpsed, Open, Oblique, Obscured, Framed, Filtered Few, Moderate, Many High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change Geographical Extent of Effect: Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect: Significance: (Descriptive)
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Abbreviations:

0.6km to south of Project	Site	On Completion: Power Generation Plant is very prominent in the middle ground of the view with new planting not yet providing screening.	Embedded mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility. Building design, colour and materials.  Additional mitigation: Management of existing vegetation.  Addition of new planting. Interpretation board at viewing point.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Major  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north; local view with no intervening vegetation; dominant in the view.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MAJOR	Adverse	Major Significance	Significant
		15 Years After Planting: Development is fairly prominent in the view, partly screened by maturing new hedgerows and woodland belts.	Embedded Mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility.  Building design, colour and materials.  Additional mitigation: Management of existing and new planting.  Interpretation board at viewing point.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Moderate  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north; local view with no intervening vegetation; dominant in the view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE	Adverse	Moderate Significance	Significant
		Decommissioning at 25 Years:  Decommissioning activities dominate the middle ground of the view.	Embedded Mitigation: : Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional mitigation: Management of existing and new planting. Interpretation board at viewing point.	Decommissioning at 25 Years: Size/Scale: Moderate  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE	Adverse	Moderate Significance	Significant
		GAS CONNECTION  During Construction: Construction activities to east (right) of	Embedded Mitigation:	<u>During Construction:</u> Size/Scale: Moderate	Adverse	Moderate Significance	Significant

Type of View:
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Abbreviations:

		viewpoint, crossing field in narrow corridor.	Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Geographical Extent: View direction to the north; local view with no intervening vegetation; dominant in the view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE			
		On Completion: Land reinstated; minor gaps in hedge to east (right) of view	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed Additional Mitigation	On Completion: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north; local view with no intervening vegetation; dominant in the view.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
		15 Years After Planting: Gaps in hedges filled.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed  Additional Mitigation None needed.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north; local view with no intervening vegetation; dominant in the view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
		Decommissioning at 25 years: No change to view.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: No change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
		ELECTRICAL CONNECTION  During Construction: Works to transmission towers and construction of SEC prominent in foreground.  Temporary and new transmission towers in addition to existing tower until it is removed	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Major  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north; local view with no intervening vegetation; dominant in the view.	Adverse	Major Significance	Significant

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Susceptibility to Change:
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Abbreviations:

				Felling of approximately 2,075m² woodland will be necessary to the west of the Project Site.  On Completion: Transmission tower more prominent in the foreground. New planting around SEC providing little screening.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MAJOR  On Completion: Size/Scale: Moderate  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north; local view with no intervening vegetation; dominant in the view.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term	Adverse	Moderate Significance	Significant
				15 Years After Planting: Maturing vegetation filtering views of lower part of SEC.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation Existing woodland extended to screen SEC.	OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE  15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north; local view with no intervening vegetation; dominant in the view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
				Decommissioning at 25 years: Removal of SEC.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP. Additional Mitigation None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Moderate  Geographical Extent: View direction to the north-east; distant but elevated; with substantial intervening vegetation; and a small element of the wider view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE	Adverse	Moderate Significance	Significant
15: From footpath within Country Park near railway crossing point adjacent to Pillinge Farm South	Designation: Public Footpath Forest of Marston Vale  LCA: County 5D-North Marston Clay Vale Forest of Marston Vale Brickland  Distance: 500m	Baseline Description, Type of View, Viewer and Number of Users:  Local view across railway from Millennium Country Park on public footpath, across LLRS with Greensand Ridge forming the horizon. Ampthill House visible below woodland, railways, scrub and trees in foreground.  Moderate number of Country Park visitors and train travellers.	Value of Views: Low (as undesignated area and local footpath)  Susceptibility to Change: Medium (as viewpoint is a local right of way and travellers on rail route).  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: MEDIUM	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction: Construction activities dominate the middle ground of the view; boundary hoardings screening ground level activities.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP  Additional mitigation: None possible.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Major  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; with some intervening scrub; dominant in the view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MAJOR	Adverse	Major Significance	Significant
				On Completion:	Embedded	On Completion:	Adverse	Moderate	Significant

Type of View:
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Susceptibility to Change:
Overall Sensitivity of Receptor:
Size/Scale of Effect:

Glimpsed, Open, Oblique, Obscured, Framed, Filtered Few, Moderate, Many

High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low

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Geographical Extent of Effect: Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect:

Significance:

(Descriptive)
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Abbreviations:

	Project is prominent in the foreground with stack breaking skyline.	mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility.  Additional mitigation: None needed.	Size/Scale: Moderate  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; with some intervening scrub; prominent in the view.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE		Significance	
	15 Years After Planting: LLRS Planting maturing, filtering vies of lower part of Power Generation Plant.	Embedded Mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility.  Additional mitigation: Management of existing and new planting.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; with some intervening scrub; prominent in the view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
	Decommissioning at 25 Years: Cranes may be visible above LLRS planting.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP  Additional mitigation: None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 Years: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; with some intervening scrub; prominent in the view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
	GAS CONNECTION  During Construction: Construction activities in narrow corridor across fields below skyline.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP  Additional Mitigation None needed.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; with some intervening scrub; dominant in the view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
	On Completion:	Embedded	On Completion:	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant

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Abbreviations:

	No change to view as installation is underground.	Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation None needed	Size/Scale: No change  Geographical Extent:  View direction to the south-east; with some intervening scrub; dominant in the view.			
	15 Years After Planting:  No change to view as installation underground.	s Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed  Additional Mitigation None needed	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; with some intervening scrub; dominant in the view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
	Decommissioning at 25 years:  Maturing LLRS planting likely to scree decommission activities,	n Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; with some intervening scrub; dominant in the view. Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLET	Adverse	Not Significance	Not Significant
	During Construction: No change as screened by intervenin vegetation.	g Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	During Construction: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; with some intervening scrub; dominant in the view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
	On Completion: No change as screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional mitigation: Addition of new planting.	On Completion: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; with some intervening scrub; dominant in the view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE:_NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant

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Glimpsed, Open, Oblique, Obscured, Framed, Filtered Few, Moderate, Many High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low

Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change

Geographical Extent of Effect: Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect: Significance: (Descriptive)
Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term, Direct, Indirect
Yes, within (timescale)/No
Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change
Adverse, Benefit, Neutral, Not Applicable, Direct, Indirect, Secondary
Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

Abbreviations:

				15 Years After Planting: No change as screened by intervening vegetation.	Additional Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation: Addition of new planting.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; with some intervening scrub; dominant in the view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
				Decommissioning at 25 years: No change as screened by intervening vegetation.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP	Decommissioning: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south-east; with some intervening scrub; dominant in the view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
16: From footpath north-east of Lower Farm	Designation: Public Footpath Forest of Marston Vale  LCA: County 5D-North Marston Clay Vale  Forest of Marston Vale Greensand Ridge and East Vale	Baseline Description, Type of View, Viewer and Number of Users:  Local, open view south across a level field towards the AGI beyond the access drive to Ampthill Park House, with the backdrop of the hill north-east of Millbrook village. Ampthill Park House can be seen to the left of the view on higher ground beyond the railway line. To the right of the view, the tower of the church in Millbrook can be	Value of Views: Low (as undesignated area and local footpath)  Susceptibility to Change: Medium (as viewpoint is a local right of way)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: MEDIUM	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction:  No visibility due to direction of view.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional mitigation: None needed.	During Construction: Size/Scale: n/a  Geographical Extent: n/a  Duration/Reversibility: n/a  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: n/a	n/a		
	Distance: Within Project Site, 200m north of AGI	seen above the trees; roofs of buildings at Lower Farm are visible above the roadside hedgerow.  Moderate number of walkers.		On Completion: No visibility due to direction of view.	Embedded mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility.  Building design, colour and materials.  Additional mitigation: None needed.	On Completion: Size/Scale: n/a  Geographical Extent: n/a  Duration/Reversibility: n/a  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: n/a	n/a		
				15 Years After Planting:	<u>Embedded</u>	15 Years After Planting:	n/a		

Type of View:
Number of Viewers:
Value of Views:
Susceptibility to Change:
Overall Sensitivity of Receptor:
Size/Scale of Effect:

Glimpsed, Open, Oblique, Obscured, Framed, Filtered Few, Moderate, Many High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change Geographical Extent of Effect: Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect: Significance: (Descriptive)
Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term, Direct, Indirect
Yes, within (timescale)/No
Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change
Adverse, Benefit, Neutral, Not Applicable, Direct, Indirect, Secondary
Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

Abbreviations:

	No visibility due to direction of view.	Mitigation: Generating equipment located 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit, reducing potential visibility. Building design, colour and materials.  Additional mitigation: None needed.	Size/Scale: n/a  Geographical Extent: n/a  Duration/Reversibility: n/a  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: n/a			
	Decommissioning at 25 Years: No visibility due to direction of view.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional mitigation: None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 Years: Size/Scale: n/a  Geographical Extent: n/a  Duration/Reversibility: n/a  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: n/a	n/a		
	During Construction: Construction activities dominate the foreground and middle ground of the view with the pipeline construction crossing the field in a narrow corridor towards the AGI compound.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Major  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south; local view with no intervening vegetation; dominant in the view.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MAJOR	Adverse	Major Significance	Significant
	On Completion: AGI enclosed by 3m high fencing and new planting is visible in the middle ground of the view with new planting not yet providing screening. Land reinstated; gaps in hedge to west (right) of view replanted but immature.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation New hedgerow planting around the AGI compound linking with adjacent hedgerows.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Moderate  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south; local view with no mature intervening vegetation; new planting in roadside hedgerow and around AGI fencing.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE	Adverse	Moderate Significance	Significant
	15 Years After Planting: Gaps in hedge filled. AGI and its fencing are well screened by maturing new planting surrounding the compound and linked to	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Slight Geographical Extent:	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant

Type of View:
Number of Viewers:
Value of Views:
Susceptibility to Change:
Overall Sensitivity of Receptor:
Size/Scale of Effect:

Glimpsed, Open, Oblique, Obscured, Framed, Filtered Few, Moderate, Many High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change Geographical Extent of Effect: Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect: Significance: (Descriptive)
Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term, Direct, Indirect
Yes, within (timescale)/No
Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change
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Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

Abbreviations:

	existing hedgerows.	Additional Mitigation Management of new vegetation.	View direction to the south; local view with mature intervening vegetation; barely perceptible change in the view.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT			
	Decommissioning at 25 years: Decommissioning activities, which include removal of the AGI compound but not the pipeline, prominent in the middle ground of the view. New planting retained.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Moderate  Geographical Extent: View direction to the south; local view with no intervening vegetation.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE	Adverse	Moderate Significance	Significant
	ELECTRICAL CONNECTION  During Construction: No visibility due to direction of view.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	During Construction: Size/Scale: n/a  Geographical Extent: n/a  Duration/Reversibility: n/a  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: n/a	n/a		
	On Completion: No visibility due to direction of view.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	On Completion: Size/Scale: n/a  Geographical Extent: n/a Duration/Reversibility: n/a  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: n/a	n/a		
	15 Years After Planting: No visibility due to direction of view.	Embedded Mitigation: Replacement of all vegetation removed.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: n/a  Geographical Extent: n/a  Duration/Reversibility: n/a  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: n/a	n/a		
	Decommissioning at 25 years: No visibility due to direction of view.	Embedded Mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Additional Mitigation None needed.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: n/a Geographical Extent: n/a Duration/Reversibility: n/a OVERALL MAGNITUDE: n/a	n/a		

Type of View: Number of Viewers: Value of Views: Susceptibility to Change: Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: Size/Scale of Effect: Glimpsed, Open, Oblique, Obscured, Framed, Filtered Few, Moderate, Many High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change Geographical Extent of Effect: Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect: Significance: (Descriptive)
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Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change
Adverse, Benefit, Neutral, Not Applicable, Direct, Indirect, Secondary
Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

Abbreviations:

BASELINE AND SENSIT	TIVITY		CHANGE, MAGNITUDE AND SIGNIF	ICANCE				
Landscape Character Area / Type, Designation or Features	Description of Change	Mitigation	Description of Change	Mitigation	Size / scale, Geographical Extent and Duration / reversibility; OVERALL MAGNITUDE	Nature of Effect	SIGNIFICANCE	OVERALL SIGNIFICANCE
Landscape Character Area	s (Published Sources) and Landscape Planning D	esignations						
National Natural England Landscape Character Area 88: Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire Claylands	Key characteristics of relevance to the Project Site and locality, include:  Gently undulating, lowland plateau divided by shallow river valleys that gradually widen as they approach The Fens NCA in the east;  Brickfields of the Marston Vale and Peterborough area form distinctive post-industrial landscapes with man-made waterbodies and landfill sites. Restoration of sand and gravel workings has left a series of flooded and restored waterbodies within the river valleys;  Variable, scattered woodland cover comprising smaller plantations, secondary woodland, pollarded willows and poplar along river valleys, and clusters of ancient woodland;  Predominantly open, arable landscape of planned and regular fields bounded by open ditches and trimmed, often species-poor hedgerows which contrast with those fields that are irregular and piecemeal;  Wide variety of semi-natural habitats supporting a range of species;	Value of LCA: Medium (as the LCA covers an extensive area and has a wide range of commonly occurring characteristics.)  Susceptibility to Change: Low (as brickfields and landfill sites are some of the key characteristics)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: MEDIUM	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction: Boundary vegetation of wider Project Site largely retained. PGP development set within sunken landform of former pit with established Lower Level Restoration Scheme (LLRS).	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Retention of existing trees and hedgerows within and bordering the wider Project Site implemented as part of LLRS.  (For further details of embedded mitigation see ES Section 3.6.)	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area  Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
	<ul> <li>A number of historic parklands, designed landscapes and country houses combine with brickfields to provide a strong sense of history and place;</li> <li>Settlements cluster around major road and rail corridors, with smaller towns, villages and linear settlements widely dispersed throughout, giving a more rural feel; and</li> <li>Recreational assets include Forest of Marston Vale Community Forest woodland and wetland sites, an extensive rights of way network and two National Cycle Routes</li> </ul>		On Completion: Change from LLRS to development on platform within restored landscape.	Embedded mitigation: Building design, colour and materials.  PGP development sited 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit.  Replacement of all planting removed.  Additional mitigation: Planting of new blocks and belts of woodland and hedgerows in the wider Project Site in accordance with the Forest of Marston Vale Forest Plan (2000).  Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.	On Completion Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
			15 Years After Planting: Development set within maturing LLRS landscape; within the wider Project Site, existing plantations managed, new plantations and hedgerows maturing	Additional mitigation: Management to maintain the diversity of habitats	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area  Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant

#### Terminology for Landscape Effect:

Landscape Value: Susceptibility to Change: Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: Size/Scale of Effect: Geographical Extent of Effect:

High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low

Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change

(Descriptive)

Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect: Significance:

Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term Yes, within (timescale)/No

Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change Adverse, Benefit, Neutral, Not Applicable, Direct, Indirect, Secondary Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

BASELINE AND SENSI	TIVITY	CHANGE, MAGNITUDE AND SIGNIFICANCE						
Landscape Character Area / Type, Designation or Features	Description of Change	Mitigation	Description of Change	Mitigation	Size / scale, Geographical Extent and Duration / reversibility; OVERALL MAGNITUDE	Nature of Effect	SIGNIFICANCE	OVERALL SIGNIFICANCE
			Decommissioning at 25 years: All above ground structures removed; Power Generation Plant Site restored in accordance with LLRS.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
			GAS CONNECTION  During Construction: Trenching and backfilling for laying of pipes. 100m of hedgerows removed.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area  Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
			On Completion: 100m of hedgerows replanted.	Embedded mitigation: Replacement of all planting removed.  Additional mitigation: Management to maintain the diversity of habitats	On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
			15 Years After Planting: Hedges matured.	Additional mitigation:  Management to maintain the diversity of habitats	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area  Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
			Decommissioning at 25 years: All above ground structures removed from the adjacent LCA; working areas reinstated; vegetation retained.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	Decommissioning at 25 years Size/Scale: Negligible Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area	Indirect	Not Significant	Not Significant

Duration: Reversibility:
Overall Magnitude of Effect:
Nature of Effect:
Significance:

Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term Yes, within (timescale)/No Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change Adverse, Benefit, Neutral, Not Applicable, Direct, Indirect, Secondary Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

BASELINE AND SENSITIVITY		CHANGE, MAGNITUDE AND SIGNIFI	CANCE				
Landscape Character Area / Type, Designation or Features  Description of Change	Mitigation	Description of Change	Mitigation	Size / scale, Geographical Extent and Duration / reversibility; OVERALL MAGNITUDE	Nature of Effect	SIGNIFICANCE	OVERALL SIGNIFICANCE
				Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes			
				OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE			
		ELECTRICAL CONNECTION  During Construction:	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
		Loss of 2,075m2 of existing woodland to SEC construction.		Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area			
				Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes			
				OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE			
		On Completion: 8,790m2 new woodland and 3,590m2 of scrub/grass matrix planted around SEC.	Embedded mitigation: Replacement of all planting removed.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
		Scrub/grass matrix planted around SEC.	Additional mitigation: Additional 6,715m2 of woodland planted.	Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area			
		Mana habit	Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.	Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes			
				OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE			
		15 Years After Planting: New woodland planting maturing.	Additional mitigation:  Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
			nastate.	Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area			
				Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes			
				OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE			
		Decommissioning at 25 years: All above ground structures removed; working areas reinstated; vegetation retained.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
		iotalitot.		Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area			
				Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes			
				OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE			

Duration: Reversibility:
Overall Magnitude of Effect:
Nature of Effect:
Significance:

Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term Yes, within (timescale)/No Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change Adverse, Benefit, Neutral, Not Applicable, Direct, Indirect, Secondary Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

BASELINE AND SENSITI	VITY		CHANGE, MAGNITUDE AND SIGNIFIC	CANCE				
Landscape Character Area / Type, Designation or Features	Description of Change	Mitigation	Description of Change	Mitigation	Size / scale, Geographical Extent and Duration / reversibility; OVERALL MAGNITUDE	Nature of Effect	SIGNIFICANCE	OVERALL SIGNIFICANCE
Natural England Landscape Character Area 90: Bedfordshire Greensand Ridge	Key characteristics of relevance to the Project Site and locality, include:  Narrow escarpment resulting from the erosion-resistant sediments of the Lower Greensand Group, with a distinct scarp slope to the northwest and dip slope to the south-east; The rolling and elevated Ridge provides a north-west-facing wooded skyline offering extensive panoramic views across the lower-lying Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire Claylands and towards the	Susceptibility to Change: Medium (as views across the Claylands are a key characteristic)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: MEDIUM	POWER GENERATION PLANT Indirect effects in LCA 90 as development is in adjacent LCA. See LCA 88, above.		POWER GENERATION PLANT Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area  Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Indirect	Not Significant	Not Significant
	Chilterns;  Substantial blocks of ancient woodland and coniferous plantation are found on the Ridge and steeper slopes. Wood pasture and numerous hedgerow trees, copses and shelterbelts are associated with the estate farmland and parkland trees;  Mixed field and roadside boundaries range from mature shelterbelts to gappy, short flailed boundaries to intact evergreen hedgerows;  A patchwork of semi-natural habitats including mire habitats, lowland heathland and lowland mixed deciduous woodland species;  Historic parklands and estates associated with grand country houses such as Woburn;  Dispersed settlement pattern along the Greensand Ridge, with most settlements along the river valleys and southern dip slopes; and  Road and rail links cut north—south through the Ridge.		GAS CONNECTION  During Construction: Trenching and backfilling for laying of pipes; minor excavations and construction of AGI. 150m of roadside hedgerows removed.  On Completion: 150m of hedgerows replanted; new planting added.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Embedded mitigation: Replacement of all planting removed. Hedgerows planted around AGI.  Additional mitigation: Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area  Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE  On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes	Adverse	Not Significant  Not Significant	Not Significant  Not Significant
			15 Years After Planting: Hedges matured.	Additional mitigation: Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.	OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE  15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area  Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
			Decommissioning at 25 years: All above ground structures removed; working areas reinstated; vegetation retained	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant

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Landscape Value: Susceptibility to Change: Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: Size/Scale of Effect: Geographical Extent of Effect:

High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low

Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change (Descriptive)

Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect: Significance:

Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term Yes, within (timescale)/No

Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change Adverse, Benefit, Neutral, Not Applicable, Direct, Indirect, Secondary Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

BASELINE AND SENSIT	IVITY		CHANGE, MAGNITUDE AND SIGNIFI	CANCE				
Landscape Character Area / Type, Designation or Features	Description of Change	Mitigation	Description of Change	Mitigation	Size / scale, Geographical Extent and Duration / reversibility; OVERALL MAGNITUDE	Nature of Effect	SIGNIFICANCE	OVERALL SIGNIFICANCE
					Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE			
			ELECTRICAL CONNECTION Indirect effects in LCA 90 as development is in adjacent LCA. See LCA 88, above.		ELECTRICAL CONNECTION Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area  Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Indirect	Not Significant	Not Significant
County Central Bedfordshire Landscape Character Area 5D: North Marston Clay Vale	landscapes of the Wooded Greensand Ridge (6b) and the Cranfield to Stagsden Clay Farmland (1a) that provide a sense of containment;  An agricultural landscape fragmented by current and former industrial activity including brick works, open cast clay pits, landfill, distribution centres and industrial estates;  A legacy of clay extraction (for brick making) has resulted in a disturbed landscape, currently subject to large scale restoration evoking a landscape in transition;  The establishment of Country Parks and the Forest of Marston Vale with its Forest Centre provides valuable ecological, recreational and landscape resources;  Flooded clay pits form a series of lakes throughout the vale such as at Stewartby Country Park. These have created significant recreational value and ecological interest;  Mature woodland is relatively scarce;  Arable farming is the predominant land use	Susceptibility to Change: Low (as many of key characteristics relate to former industrial uses)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: LOW	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction: Boundary vegetation of wider Project Site largely retained. Development set within sunken landform of former pit within established LLRS.  On Completion: Change from LLRS to development on platform within restored landscape.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Retention of existing mature trees and hedgerows within and bordering the wider Project Site implemented as part of the LLRS.  (For further details of embedded mitigation see ES Section 3.6.)  Embedded mitigation: Building design, colour and materials.  PGP development sited 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit.  Replacement of all planting removed.  Additional mitigation: Planting of new blocks and belts of woodland and hedgerows in accordance with the Forest of Marston Vale Forest Plan (2000).	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE  On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant  Not Significant	Not Significant  Not Significant
	of the area typically occurring in large, open fields with short-flailed, sparse hedgerow boundaries and drainage channels;  A number of busy transport routes cut north south through the landscape - including the A421(T) the A6 (forming the eastern boundary of the area) and the main railway lines running from Bedford to London and Milton Keynes;  Lines of pylons cut across the landscape and are highly visible - extending from the Greensand Ridge;		15 Years After Planting: Development set within maturing LLRS landscape; within the wider Project Site, existing plantations managed, new plantations and hedgerows maturing.	Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.  Additional mitigation: Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes.	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant

#### Terminology for Landscape Effect:

Landscape Value: Susceptibility to Change: Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: Size/Scale of Effect: Geographical Extent of Effect:

High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low

Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change (Descriptive)

Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect: Significance:

Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term Yes, within (timescale)/No

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BASELINE AND SENSI	TIVITY		CHANGE, MAGNITUDE AND SIGNIFIC	CANCE				
Landscape Character Area / Type, Designation or Features	Description of Change	Mitigation	Description of Change	Mitigation	Size / scale, Geographical Extent and Duration / reversibility; OVERALL MAGNITUDE	Nature of Effect	SIGNIFICANCE	OVERALL SIGNIFICANCE
	<ul> <li>Stewartby – a model village begun in 1926 by the Stewart family, owners of the London Brick Company. Characterised by consistent red-brick houses set around large</li> </ul>				OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE			
	areas of green space. The adjacent chimney stacks dominate views; and  Numerous public rights of way cut through the landscape and provide connections to		Decommissioning at 25 years: All above ground structures removed; Power Generation Plant Site restored in	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
	the recreational routes on the adjacent landscapes - the John Bunyan Trail and the Greensand Ridge Walk.		accordance with LLRS.		Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area.			
					Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.			
					OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE			
			GAS CONNECTION  During Construction:	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
		Tre pip	Trenching and backfilling for laying of pipes; minor excavations and construction of AGI. 250m of hedgerows removed.		Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area			
					Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.			
					OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE			
			On Completion: 250m of hedgerows replanted; new	Embedded mitigation: Replacement of all planting removed.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
			planting added.	Hedgerows planted around AGI.  Additional mitigation:	Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area			
				Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.	Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes.			
					OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE			
			15 Years After Planting: Hedges matured.	Additional mitigation:  Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
				Habitats.	Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area			
					Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes.			
					OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE			

#### Effect:

High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, (Descriptive)

Duration: Reversibility:
Overall Magnitude of Effect:
Nature of Effect:
Significance:

Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term Yes, within (timescale)/No Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change Adverse, Benefit, Neutral, Not Applicable, Direct, Indirect, Secondary Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

BASELINE AND SENSI	TIVITY		CHANGE, MAGNITUDE AND SIGNIFIC	CANCE				
Landscape Character Area / Type, Designation or Features	Description of Change	Mitigation	Description of Change	Mitigation	Size / scale, Geographical Extent and Duration / reversibility; OVERALL MAGNITUDE	Nature of Effect	SIGNIFICANCE	OVERALL SIGNIFICANCE
			Decommissioning at 25 years: All above ground structures removed; working areas reinstated; vegetation retained.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area  Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
			ELECTRICAL CONNECTION  During Construction: Loss of 2,075m2 of existing woodland to SEC construction.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area  Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
			On Completion: 8,790m2 new woodland and 3,590m2 of scrub/grass matrix planted around SEC.	Embedded mitigation: Replacement of all planting removed.  Additional mitigation: Additional 6,715m2 of woodland planted.  Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
			15 Years After Planting: New woodland planting maturing.	Additional mitigation:  Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
			Decommissioning at 25 years: All above ground structures removed; working areas reinstated; vegetation retained.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible Geographical Extent: Changes within large character area	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant

Duration:
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Overall Magnitude of Effect:
Nature of Effect:
Significance:

Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term Yes, within (timescale)/No Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change Adverse, Benefit, Neutral, Not Applicable, Direct, Indirect, Secondary Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

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					Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes. OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE			
District Forest of Marston Vale Landscape Zone: Greensand Ridge and East Vale (G)	The assessment states that:  The Ridge and its scarp provides one of the most wooded areas of the Community Forest and is an important backdrop to the work planned for the core of the Vale;  Opportunities should be sought to strengthen the existing woodlands, improve the hedgerow network and to add features such as copses on knolls;  Points of topographical interest such as outcrops of greensand and small valleys should not be obscured by planting;  The existing areas of scrub and sites that could be developed as acidic grassland could offer much to the diversity of the Ridge	wide range of commonly occurring characteristics.)  Susceptibility to Change: Medium (as an important backdrop to the Vale is a key characteristic)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: MEDIUM	POWER GENERATION PLANT Indirect effects on Landscape Zone Gas development is in adjacent Landscape Zone B. See below.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  PGP development sited 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit.  Retention of existing mature trees and hedgerows within and bordering the wider Project Site implemented as part of the LLRS.  (For further details of embedded mitigation see ES Section 3.6.)	POWER GENERATION PLANT Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: Changes within relatively large character area  Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Indirect		Not Significant
	landscape and tree planting must not detract from this variety. For some sites, management will be required to maintain the diversity of habitats that generates such landscape interest;  Villages and infrastructure such as roads can be better assimilated into the landscape by the planting of more blocks of trees and the use of screening belts, but long distance views of the Greensand Ridge must not be obscured.		GAS CONNECTION  During Construction: Trenching and backfilling for laying of pipes; minor excavations and construction of AGI. 250m of hedgerows removed.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: Changes within relatively large character area Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.	Minor Significance	Not Significant	
	views of the Greensand Ridge must not be obscured.		On Completion: 250m of hedgerows replanted; new planting added.	Embedded mitigation: Replacement of all planting removed. Hedgerows planted around AGI.  Additional mitigation: Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.	OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT  On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Changes within relatively large character area  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
			15 Years After Planting: Hedges matured.	Additional mitigation:  Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Neutral  Geographical Extent: Changes within relatively large character area  Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEUTRAL	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant

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Landscape Value: Susceptibility to Change: Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: Size/Scale of Effect: Geographical Extent of Effect:

High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low

Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change

(Descriptive)

Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect: Significance:

Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term Yes, within (timescale)/No

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			Decommissioning at 25 years: All above ground structures removed; working areas reinstated; vegetation retained.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible Geographical Extent: Changes within relatively large character area Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes. OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
			ELECTRICAL CONNECTION  During Construction: Loss of 2,075m2 of existing woodland to SEC construction.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	ELECTRICAL CONNECTION Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: Changes within relatively large character area  Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
			On Completion: 8,790m2 of new woodland and 3,590m2 of scrub/grass matrix m2 planted around SEC.	Embedded mitigation: Replacement of all planting removed.  Additional mitigation: Additional 6,715m2 of woodland planted.  Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.	On Completion Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Changes within relatively large character area Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
			15 Years After Planting: New woodland planting maturing.	Additional mitigation: Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Neutral  Geographical Extent: Changes within relatively large character area  Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEUTRAL	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant

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Significance:

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			Decommissioning at 25 years: All above ground structures removed; working areas reinstated; vegetation retained.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible Geographical Extent: Changes within relatively large character area Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes. OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
Forest of Marston Vale Landscape Zone: Brickfields	is a need to secure a higher level of new planting than elsewhere in the Community Forest. The derelict land and pits associated with the brick industry, expanding settlements and busy transport links require substantial planting to offer landscape, wildlife, recreation and amenity benefits;  The relationship of new woods with open waterbodies such as Stewartby and Brogborough lakes will be very important and a mix of waterside landuses including open land, wetlands and woodland should	landscape designation)  Susceptibility to Change: Low (as many of key characteristics relate to former industrial uses)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: LOW	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction: Boundary vegetation largely retained. Development set within sunken landform of former pit on development platform within adjacent LLRS	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  Retention of existing mature trees and hedgerows within and bordering the wider Project Site implemented as part of the LLRS.  (For further details of embedded mitigation see ES Section 3.6.)	POWER GENERATION PLANT Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: Changes within relatively large character area  Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
	<ul> <li>Substantial tree and shrub planting will encourage a sense of place but wider views need to be retained particularly where features such as lakes, the Greensand Ridge and church towers can be seen; and</li> <li>Farming is still important in this area and is characterised by large, open fields surrounded by ditches and over trimmed, sparse hedges.</li> </ul>		On Completion: Change from LLRS to development platform within restored landscape.	Embedded mitigation: Building design, colour and materials.  PGP development sited 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit.  Replacement of all planting removed.  Additional mitigation: Planting of new blocks and belts of woodland and hedgerows in accordance with the Forest of Marston Vale Forest Plan (2000)  Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: Changes within relatively large character area.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
			15 Years After Planting:  Development set within maturing LLRS landscape; in the wider Project Site, species-poor hedgerows strengthened; existing plantations managed; new plantations and hedgerows maturing.	Additional mitigation: Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Changes within relatively large character area.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant

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Site or Local Features			Decommissioning at 25 years: All above ground structures removed; restored in accordance with LLRS.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Changes within relatively large character area.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
Local Landscape Character of Project Site and Surrounding Area	Large flooded pits from former clay extraction, revegetated spoil heaps, four chimneys approximately 70m tall and associated buildings of the former brickworks. Stewartby village to the north.  Power Generation Plant is mainly located within Rookery South Pit which will be restored to low grade agricultural land.  Several residential properties within 1km of the Project Site, at South Pillinge Farm and Cottages, Manor Farm and Moreteyne House.	landscape designation)  Susceptibility to Change: Low (as many of key characteristics relate to former industrial uses)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: LOW	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction: Disruption due to construction activities.  Trees and hedgerows within the wider Project Site and along boundaries retained wherever possible.  Minor changes to landform within development platform.  Development set within sunken landform of former pit on development platform within adjacent LLRS.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.  PGP development sited 15m below surrounding ground level within Rookery South Pit  Retention of existing mature trees and hedgerows within and bordering the Project Site implemented as part of the LLRS.  (For further details of embedded mitigation see ES Section 3.6.)	POWER GENERATION PLANT Size/Scale: Moderate  Geographical Extent: Within Project Site and vicinity.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
			On Completion: Change from LLRS to development on platform within restored landscape.	Embedded mitigation: Building design, colour and materials. Replacement of all planting removed.  Additional mitigation: Planting of new blocks and belts of woodland and hedgerows in accordance with the Forest of Marston Vale Forest Plan (2000).  Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Moderate  Geographical Extent: Within Project Site and vicinity  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
			15 Years After Planting: Development set within maturing LLRS landscape; within the wider Project Site, species-poor hedgerows strengthened; existing plantations managed; new plantations and hedgerows maturing.	Additional mitigation: Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: Within Project Site and vicinity Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant

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			Decommissioning at 25 years: All above ground structures removed; working areas reinstated; vegetation retained.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: Within Project Site and vicinity.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
			GAS CONNECTION  During Construction: Trenching and backfilling for laying of pipes; minor excavations and construction of AGI. 250m of hedgerows removed.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Moderate  Geographical Extent: Within Project Site and vicinity.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term /Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
			On Completion: 250m of hedgerows replanted; new planting added.	Embedded mitigation: Replacement of all planting removed. Hedgerows planted around AGI.  Additional mitigation: Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Moderate  Geographical Extent: Within Project Site and vicinity.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
			15 Years After Planting: Hedges matured.	Additional mitigation: Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: Within Project Site and vicinity.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
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					OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT			
Landform	Sunken area of South Rookery Pit. To the south, south-east and west, low ridges rise up to define the edge of Marston Vale; to the north, the floor of the vale continues to the edge of Bedford.	characteristic of the site)  Susceptibility to Change: Low (as	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction: Some level changes to accommodate new development.	Embedded mitigation: Careful siting of new structures to minimise changes to the landform.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Within Project Site	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
		landform is generally flat and can accommodate large scale development)			Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes			
		OVERALL SENSITIVITY: LOW			OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE			
			On Completion: As above.		On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
					Geographical Extent: Within Project Site			
					Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes.			
					OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE	:		
			15 Years After Planting: Level changes less apparent with maturing vegetation.		15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significan
					Geographical Extent: Within Project Site			
					Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes.			
					OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE			
			Decommissioning at 25 years: Restoration to levels in accordance with LLRS.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: No change	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
					Geographical Extent: Within Project Site			
					Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.			
					OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE			
			GAS CONNECTION		During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible	legligible	Not Significan	
			<b>During Construction:</b> Trenching and backfilling for laying of pipes; minor excavations and construction		Geographical Extent: Within Project Site			
			of AGI.		Duration/Reversibility:			

#### Terminology for Landscape Effect:

Landscape Value: Susceptibility to Change: Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: Size/Scale of Effect: Geographical Extent of Effect:

High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low

Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change

(Descriptive)

Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect: Significance:

Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term Yes, within (timescale)/No

Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change Adverse, Benefit, Neutral, Not Applicable, Direct, Indirect, Secondary Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

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BASELINE AND SENSI	BASELINE AND SENSITIVITY		CHANGE, MAGNITUDE AND SIGNIFICANCE						
Landscape Character Area / Type, Designation or Features	Description of Change	Mitigation	Description of Change	Mitigation	Size / scale, Geographical Extent and Duration / reversibility; OVERALL MAGNITUDE	Nature of Effect	SIGNIFICANCE	OVERALL SIGNIFICANCE	
					Short term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE				
			On Completion: No effects on landform.		On Completion: Size/Scale: No change Geographical Extent:	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant	
					Within Project Site  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes.				
					OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE				
			15 Years After Planting: No effects on landform.		15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No change	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant	
					Geographical Extent: Within Project Site				
					Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes.				
					OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE				
			Decommissioning at 25 years: All above ground plant removed.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	Decommissioning at 25 years : Size/Scale: No change	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant	
					Geographical Extent: Within Project Site				
					Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.				
					OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE				
			ELECTRICAL CONNECTION  During Construction:	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Negligible	Adverse	Not Significant		
			Minor changes to landform for SEC area.		Geographical Extent: Within Project Site				
					Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.				
					OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE				
			On Completion: Minor changes to landform remain for SEC		On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant	
			area.		Geographical Extent: Within Project Site				
					Duration/Reversibility:				

BASELINE AND SENSIT	SELINE AND SENSITIVITY		CHANGE, MAGNITUDE AND SIGNIFICANCE					
Landscape Character Area / Type, Designation or Features	Description of Change	Mitigation	Description of Change	Mitigation	Size / scale, Geographical Extent and Duration / reversibility; OVERALL MAGNITUDE	Nature of Effect	SIGNIFICANCE	OVERALL SIGNIFICANCE
					Medium term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE			
			15 Years After Planting: Minor changes to landform remain for SEC area.		15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Negligible  Geographical Extent: Within Project Site  Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE:	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
			Decommissioning at 25 years: All above ground plant removed. Minor changes to landform remain for SEC area.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Negligible Geographical Extent: Within Project Site Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant
Woodland, Trees, Hedgerows	Young mixed woodland plantations bordering and partly within the Project Site. Broadleaved woodland area on the western side. A few species-poor hedgerows.	Value of Landscape Features: Medium (as one of characteristics of Project Site especially in access road area)  Susceptibility to Change: Medium (as only part of Project Site is occupied by woodland, trees and hedges)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: MEDIUM	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction: Loss of vegetation with construction of access road: 78m of hedgerow with trees along Green Lane; 690m of gappy roadside vegetation along west side of access road.	Embedded mitigation: Retention of existing mature trees and hedgerows within and bordering the Project Site.	OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE  During Construction: Size/Scale: Moderate  Geographical Extent: Project Site.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE	Adverse	Moderate Significance	Significant
			On Completion: New tree and hedge planting within the Project Site including along access road, but not yet providing effective mitigation.	Additional mitigation: Planting of new blocks and belts of woodland in accordance with the Forest of Marston Vale Forest Plan (2000): 13,430m².	On Completion: Size/Scale: Moderate  Geographical Extent: Project Site.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE	Adverse	Moderate Significance	Significant
			15 Years After Planting: New tree and hedge planting maturing.	Additional mitigation: Management to maintain the diversity of habitats and to ensure that new woodland planting continues to thrive.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Moderate Geographical Extent: Project Site.	Benefit	Moderate Significance	Significant

### Terminology for Landscape Effect:

Landscape Value: Susceptibility to Change: Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: Size/Scale of Effect: Geographical Extent of Effect:

High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low

Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change (Descriptive)

Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect: Significance:

Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term Yes, within (timescale)/No

Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change Adverse, Benefit, Neutral, Not Applicable, Direct, Indirect, Secondary Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

BASELINE AND SENSIT	ASELINE AND SENSITIVITY		CHANGE, MAGNITUDE AND SIGNIFICANCE						
Landscape Character Area / Type, Designation or Features	Description of Change	Mitigation	Description of Change	Mitigation	Size / scale, Geographical Extent and Duration / reversibility; OVERALL MAGNITUDE	Nature of Effect	SIGNIFICANCE	OVERALL SIGNIFICANCE	
					Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes				
					OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE				
			Decommissioning at 25 years: All above ground structures removed; working areas reinstated; vegetation	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Moderate	Benefit	Moderate Significance	Significant	
			retained.		Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.				
					Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.				
					OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE				
			GAS CONNECTION  During Construction:	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	During Construction Size/Scale: Slight	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant	
			250m of hedgerow will be lost.		Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.				
					Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes. OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT				
			On Completion: 250m of hedgerows replanted; gaps filled.	Embedded mitigation: Replacement of all planting removed.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Negligible	Adverse	Not Significant	Not Significant	
					Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.				
					Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes.				
					OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE				
			15 Years After Planting: Hedgerows maturing.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of LEMMS.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No change	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant	
				Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.	Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.				
					Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes.				
					OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE				
			Decommissioning at 25 years: All above ground structures removed; working areas reinstated; mature hedgerows retained.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: No change	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant	
					Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.				

BASELINE AND SENSI	BASELINE AND SENSITIVITY		CHANGE, MAGNITUDE AND SIGNIFICANCE					
Landscape Character Area / Type, Designation or Features	Description of Change	Mitigation	Description of Change	Mitigation	Size / scale, Geographical Extent and Duration / reversibility; OVERALL MAGNITUDE	Nature of Effect	SIGNIFICANCE	OVERALL SIGNIFICANCE
					Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes. OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE			
			ELECTRICAL CONNECTION  During Construction: Loss of 2,075m2 of woodland to SEC construction.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	During Construction: Size/Scale: Moderate  Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE	Adverse	Moderate Significance	Significant
			On Completion: 8,790m2 of new woodland and 3,590m2 of scrub/grass matrix planted around SEC.	Embedded mitigation: Replacement of all planting removed.  Additional mitigation: Additional 6,715m2 of woodland planted.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes. OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Adverse	Minor Significance	Not Significant
			15 Years After Planting:  New woodland planting maturing and managed.	Additional mitigation: Implementation of LEMMS.  Management to maintain the diversity of habitats.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT	Benefit	Minor Significance	Not Significant
			Decommissioning at 25 years: All above ground structures removed; working areas reinstated; woodland maturing and managed.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Moderate  Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE	Benefit	Moderate Significance	Significant
Public Rights of Way	One footpath crosses the site between Station Lane (south of Pillinge Farm South) and the London to Sheffield railway line. A short length of footpath crosses the gas connection corridor north of Lower Farm.		POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction:  No PROWs cross the PGP site. No effects on PROW.		During Construction: Size/Scale: No Change Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant

BASELINE AND SENSITIVITY		CHANGE, MAGNITUDE AND SIGNIFICANCE						
Landscape Character Area / Type, Designation or Features	Description of Change	Mitigation	Description of Change	Mitigation	Size / scale, Geographical Extent and Duration / reversibility; OVERALL MAGNITUDE	Nature of Effect	SIGNIFICANCE	OVERALL SIGNIFICANCE
	Long Distance Paths to the north-east (Marston Vale Trail) and to the south (Greensand Ridge Walk and John Bunyan Trail) are beyond the site boundary.				Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes. OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE			
			On Completion: No PROWs cross the PGP site. No effects on PROW		On Completion: Size/Scale: No Change Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
					Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE:			
			15 Years After Planting: No PROWs cross the PGP site. No effects on PROW		NO CHANGE  15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No Change	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
			on new		Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.			
					Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE:			
			Decommissioning at 25 years: No PROWs cross the PGP site. No effects on PROW		NO CHANGE  Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: No Change	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
					Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.			
					Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE:			
			GAS CONNECTION	Embedded mitigation:	NO CHANGE  During Construction: Size/Scale: Moderate	Adverse	Moderate Significance	Significant
			During Construction: Temporary diversion of two footpaths crossed by gas connection.	Boundary hoardings to screen ground level activities and, where practical, stockpiles to be sited to screen construction works from PROW.	Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.		O.g.mod.iso	
				Additional mitigation: Any temporary diversion clearly signed and maintained to allow continuity of use.	Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE:			
				Careful siting of any new route through development.  Routes maintained and clearly signed.	MODERATE			
				Routes maintained and clearly signed.				

#### Effect:

High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, (Descriptive)

Duration: Reversibility:
Overall Magnitude of Effect:
Nature of Effect:
Significance:

BASELINE AND SENSIT	ASELINE AND SENSITIVITY		CHANGE, MAGNITUDE AND SIGNIFICANCE						
Landscape Character Area / Type, Designation or Features	Description of Change	Mitigation	Description of Change	Mitigation	Size / scale, Geographical Extent and Duration / reversibility; OVERALL MAGNITUDE	Nature of Effect	SIGNIFICANCE	OVERALL SIGNIFICANCE	
			On Completion: Footpaths returned to original lines. Northern footpath enhanced by new	Additional mitigation: Routes maintained and clearly signed.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Neutral	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant	
			woodland and hedgerow planting.		Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.				
					Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes. OVERALL MAGNITUDE NEUTRAL				
			15 Years after Planting: Maturing woodland and hedges along line of northern footpath.	Additional mitigation: Routes maintained and clearly signed.	15 Years after Planting: Size/Scale: Moderate	Benefit	Moderate Significance	Significant	
					Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.				
					Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes.				
					OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE				
			Decommissioning at 25 years: Maturing woodland and hedges along line of northern footpath.	Additional mitigation: Routes maintained and clearly signed.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Moderate	Benefit	Moderate Significance	Significant	
					Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.				
					Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.				
					OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE				
			ELECTRICAL CONNECTION  During Construction:	Embedded mitigation: Boundary hoardings to screen ground level activities and, where practical, stockpiles to	During Construction: Size/Scale: Moderate	Adverse	Moderate Significance	Significant	
			Temporary diversion of one footpath crossed by electrical connection.	be sited to screen construction works from PROW.	Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.				
				Additional mitigation: Any temporary diversion clearly signed and maintained to allow continuity of use.	Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.				
				Careful siting of any new route through development.	OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE				
				Routes maintained and clearly signed.					
			On Completion: Footpath returned to original line, enhanced by new woodland and hedgerow	Additional mitigation: Route maintained and clearly signed.	On Completion: Size/Scale: Neutral	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant	
			planting.		Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.				
					Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes.				
					OVERALL MAGNITUDE:				

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Landscape Character Area / Type, Designation or Features	Description of Change	Mitigation	Description of Change	Mitigation	Size / scale, Geographical Extent and Duration / reversibility; OVERALL MAGNITUDE	Nature of Effect	SIGNIFICANCE	OVERALL SIGNIFICANCE
					NEUTRAL			
			15 Years after Planting: Maturing woodland and hedges along line of footpath.	Additional mitigation: Route maintained and clearly signed.	15 Years after Planting: Size/Scale: Moderate Geographical Extent: Within Project Site. Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes. OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE	Benefit	Moderate Significance	Significant
			Decommissioning at 25 years: Maturing woodland and hedges along line of footpath.	Additional mitigation: Route maintained and clearly signed.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Moderate  Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: MODERATE	Benefit	Moderate Significance	Significant
Watercourses	Drainage ditches	Value of Landscape Features: Medium (as drainage features characteristic of LLRS)  Susceptibility to Change: Low (as drainage ditches can be readily diverted without significant detrimental effect)  OVERALL SENSITIVITY: MEDIUM	POWER GENERATION PLANT  During Construction:  Assuming that LLRS takes account of PGP footprint in routing of drainage ditches, therefore no effect.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP to protect watercourses from any adverse effects.	During Construction: Size/Scale: No change  Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
			On Completion: No effect.	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of LEMMS.	On Completion Size/Scale: No change  Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant
			15 Years After Planting: Establishment of waterside vegetation	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of LEMMS.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: Slight  Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.  Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE SLIGHT	Benefit	Minor Significance	Not Significant

### Terminology for Landscape Effect:

Landscape Value: Susceptibility to Change: Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: Size/Scale of Effect: Geographical Extent of Effect:

High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low High, Medium, Low

Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change

(Descriptive)

Duration: Reversibility: Overall Magnitude of Effect: Nature of Effect: Significance:

Long-term, Medium-term, Short-term Yes, within (timescale)/No

Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change Adverse, Benefit, Neutral, Not Applicable, Direct, Indirect, Secondary Significant, Moderately Significant, Not Significant

BASELINE AND SENSITIVITY	CHANGE, MAGNITUDE AND SIGNIFICANCE						
Landscape Character Area / Type, Designation or Features  Description of Change Mitigation	Description of Change	Mitigation	Size / scale, Geographical Extent and Duration / reversibility; OVERALL MAGNITUDE	Nature of Effect	SIGNIFICANCE	OVERALL SIGNIFICANCE	
	Decommissioning at 25 years: Establishment of waterside vegetation	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of LEMMS.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: Slight	Benefit	Minor Significance	Not Significant	
			Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.				
			Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.				
			OVERALL MAGNITUDE SLIGHT				
	GAS CONNECTION  During Construction:	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	During Construction: Size/Scale: No Change	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant	
	No effects on watercourses		Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.				
			Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.				
			OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE				
	On Completion: No effects on watercourses		On Completion: Size/Scale: No Change Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant	
			Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes.				
			OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE				
	15 Years After Planting: No effects on watercourses		15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No Change	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant	
			Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.				
			Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes.				
			OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE				
	Decommissioning at 25 years: No effects on watercourses	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	Decommissioning at 25 years: Size/Scale: No Change	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant	
			Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.				
			Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.				
			OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE				

BASELINE AND SENSI	ASELINE AND SENSITIVITY		CHANGE, MAGNITUDE AND SIG	CHANGE, MAGNITUDE AND SIGNIFICANCE						
Landscape Character Area / Type, Designation or Features	Description of Change	Mitigation	Description of Change	Mitigation	Size / scale, Geographical Extent and Duration / reversibility; OVERALL MAGNITUDE	Nature of Effect	SIGNIFICANCE	OVERALL SIGNIFICANCE		
			ELECTRICAL CONNECTION  During Construction: No effects on watercourses	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	During Construction: Size/Scale: No Change Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.  Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant		
			On Completion: No effects on watercourses	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	On Completion: Size/Scale: No Change  Geographical Extent: Within Project Site.  Duration/Reversibility: Medium term / Yes. OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant		
			15 Years After Planting: No effects on watercourses	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	15 Years After Planting: Size/Scale: No Change Geographical Extent: Within Project Site. Duration/Reversibility: Long term / Yes. OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant		
			Decommissioning at 25 years: No effects on watercourses	Embedded mitigation: Implementation of the CEMP.	Decommissioning at 25 years Size/Scale: No Change Geographical Extent: Within Project Site. Duration/Reversibility: Short term / Yes.  OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NO CHANGE	n/a	Not Significant	Not Significant		

REPRESENTATIVE VIEWPOINTS: Refer to Figure 11.2 for the Project Viewpoint Locations and Document Reference 7.1 Representative Viewpoint Locations LDA Design Covanta Millbrook Viewpoint 1: Footpath South of Stewartby Way No Equivalent or Representative Covanta LVIA Viewpoint Overall sensitivity: Medium Summary of Visual Effects from the Assessment Period / **Summary of Visual Effects from Covanta Combined Cumulative Visual Effect:** Change / Level of Project LVIA (2017) LVIA (2010) Significance Magnitude and Slight, adverse Slight to Moderate, adverse, additive Type **During Construction** Level of Minor Moderate Significance (Not significant) (Significant) Magnitude and Slight, adverse (Electrical Connection) Moderate, adverse, additive Type On Completion Level of Minor Moderate Significance (Not significant) (Significant) Magnitude and Slight, adverse (Electrical Connection) Moderate, adverse, additive Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta) Type Level of Moderate Minor **Significance** (Not significant) (Significant)

REPRESENTATIVE VIEWPOINTS: Refer to Figure 11.2 for the Project Viewpoint Locations and Document Reference 7.1 Representative Viewpoint Locations LDA **Design Covanta** Millbrook Viewpoint 2: Footpath opposite Chequers Public House Representative Covanta LVIA Viewpoint 8: Residents and visitors to Chequers Public Overall sensitivity: Medium House. Overall sensitivity: High Assessment Period / Summary of Visual Effects from the **Summary of Visual Effects from Covanta Combined Cumulative Visual Effect of** Project LVIA (2017) Change / Level of LVIA (2010) the Project and Cumulative Significance Developments Magnitude and Slight, adverse Moderate Moderate, adverse, additive Type **During Construction** Level of Moderate Minor Major Significance (Not significant) (Significant) Magnitude and Slight, adverse Low-Moderate Slight to moderate, adverse, additive Type On Completion Level of Moderate-Major Minor Moderate Significance (Not significant) (Significant) Magnitude and Slight, adverse Slight to moderate, adverse, additive Low-Moderate Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta) Type Level of Minor Moderate Moderate-Major **Significance** (Not significant) (Significant)

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REPRESENTATIVE VIEWPOINTS: Refer to Figure 11.2 for the Project Viewpoint Locations and Document Reference 7.1 Representative Viewpoint Locations LDA **Design Covanta** Millbrook Viewpoint 3: Katherine's Cross, Ampthill Representative Covanta LVIA Viewpoint 12: Ampthill Park (Katherine's Cross) Overall sensitivity: High Overall sensitivity: High Summary of Visual Effects from the Assessment Period / **Summary of Visual Effects from Covanta Combined Cumulative Visual Effect of** Project LVIA (2017) Change / Level of LVIA (2010) the Project and Cumulative Significance Developments Magnitude and Slight, adverse Moderate Moderate, adverse, additive Type **During Construction** Level of Moderate Major Major Significance (Significant) (Significant) Magnitude and Negligible, adverse Moderate Moderate, adverse, additive Type On Completion Level of Minor Major Major Significance (Not significant) (Significant) Magnitude and Negligible, adverse Moderate, adverse, additive Low-Moderate Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta) Type Level of Minor Moderate-Major Major Significance (Not significant) (Significant)

**REPRESENTATIVE VIEWPOINTS:** Refer to Figure 11.2 for the Project Viewpoint Locations and Document Reference 7.1 Representative Viewpoint Locations LDA Design Covanta

**Millbrook Viewpoint 4:** Houghton House (rear elevation) and **Viewpoint 5:** In front of Cottages, track to Houghton House. Overall sensitivity VP4: Medium, VP5: High

**Representative Covanta LVIA Viewpoint 8:** Residents and visitors to Chequers Public House. Overall sensitivity: High

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struction	Magnitude and Type	VP4: Negligible, adverse  VP5: Slight, adverse	Moderate	VP4: Moderate, adverse, additive VP5: Moderate, adverse, additive
During Construction	Level of Significance	VP4: Not significant ( <i>Not significant</i> )  VP5: Moderate ( <i>Significant</i> )	Major	VP4: Moderate (Significant)  VP5: Major (Significant)
uo	Magnitude and Type	VP4: Negligible, adverse VP5: Negligible, adverse	Moderate	VP4: Moderate, adverse, additive VP5: Moderate, adverse, additive
On Completion	Level of Significance	VP4: Not significant ( <i>Not significant</i> ) VP5: Not significant ( <i>Not significant</i> )	Major	VP4: Moderate (Significant)  VP5: Major (Significant)
ok) / Yr 10	Magnitude and Type	VP4: Negligible, adverse VP5: Negligible, adverse	Low-Moderate	VP4: Moderate, adverse, additive VP5: Moderate, adverse, additive
Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta)	Level of Significance	VP4: Not significant ( <i>Not significant</i> ) VP5: Not significant ( <i>Not significant</i> )	Moderate-Major	VP4: Moderate (Significant)  VP5: Major (Significant)

REPRESENTATIVE VIEWPOINTS: Refer to Figure 11.2 for the Project Viewpoint Locations and Document Reference 7.1 Representative Viewpoint Locations LDA Design Covanta Millbrook Viewpoint 6: B530/Footpath on outskirts of Ampthill. No Equivalent or Representative Covanta LVIA Viewpoint Overall sensitivity: High Summary of Visual Effects from the Assessment Period / **Summary of Visual Effects from Covanta Combined Cumulative Visual Effect of** Change / Level of Project LVIA (2017) LVIA (2010) the Project and Cumulative Significance Developments Magnitude and Slight, adverse Moderate, adverse, additive Type **During Construction** Level of Moderate Major Significance (Significant) (Significant) Magnitude and Negligible, adverse Moderate, adverse, additive Type Completion Level of Major Minor Significance (Not significant) (Significant) 5 Magnitude and Negligible, adverse Slight to Moderate, adverse, additive Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta) Type Moderate to Major Level of Minor **Significance** (Not significant) (Significant)

REPRESENTATIVE VIEWPOINTS: Refer to Figure 11.2 for the Project Viewpoint Locations and Document Reference 7.1 Representative Viewpoint Locations LDA Design Covanta Millbrook Viewpoint 6a: Marston Vale Forest Centre including the No Equivalent or Representative Covanta LVIA Viewpoint approach track. Overall sensitivity: Medium Assessment Period / Summary of Visual Effects from the **Summary of Visual Effects from Covanta Combined Cumulative Visual Effect of** Project LVIA (2017) Change / Level of LVIA (2010) the Project and Cumulative Significance Developments Magnitude and Slight, adverse Slight to Moderate, adverse, additive Type **During Construction** Level of Minor Moderate Significance (Not significant) (Significant) Magnitude and Negligible, adverse Moderate, adverse, additive Type Completion Level of Not significant Moderate Significance (Significant) (Not significant) 5 Magnitude and Negligible, adverse Moderate, adverse, additive Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta) Type Not significant Moderate Level of **Significance** (Not significant) (Significant)

REPRESENTATIVE VIEWPOINTS: Refer to Figure 11.2 for the Project Viewpoint Locations and Document Reference 7.1 Representative Viewpoint Locations LDA Design Covanta Millbrook Viewpoint 6b: Marston Vale Millennium Country Park Visitor Representative Covanta LVIA Viewpoint 4: Forest Centre within Country Park Centre. Overall sensitivity: Medium Overall sensitivity: High Assessment Period / Summary of Visual Effects from the **Summary of Visual Effects from Covanta Combined Cumulative Visual Effect of** Project LVIA (2017) Change / Level of LVIA (2010) the Project and Cumulative Significance Developments Magnitude and Slight, adverse (electrical connection) High Major, adverse, additive Type **During Construction** Level of Severe/Major Minor Major Significance (Not significant) (Significant) Magnitude and Negligible, adverse High Major, adverse, additive Type Completion Level of Not significant Severe/Major Major Significance (Significant) (Not significant) 5 Magnitude and Negligible, adverse Low-Moderate Moderate, adverse, additive Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta) Type Not significant Level of Moderate Moderate-Major Significance (Not significant) (Significant)

REPRESENTATIVE VIEWPOINTS: Refer to Figure 11.2 for the Project Viewpoint Locations and Document Reference 7.1 Representative Viewpoint Locations LDA **Design Covanta** Millbrook Viewpoint 7: Public footpath in front of Ampthill Park House. Representative Covanta LVIA Viewpoint 11: Residents of Ampthill Park House and Overall sensitivity: High users of FP25. Overall sensitivity: High Assessment Period / Summary of Visual Effects from the **Summary of Visual Effects from Covanta Combined Cumulative Visual Effect of** Project LVIA (2017) Change / Level of LVIA (2010) the Project and Cumulative Significance Developments Magnitude and Slight, adverse (electrical connection) Moderate Moderate, adverse, additive Type **During Construction** Level of Moderate Major Major Significance (Significant) (Significant) Magnitude and Negligible, adverse Moderate Moderate, adverse, additive Type Completion Level of Minor Major Major Significance (Not significant) (Significant) 5 Magnitude and Negligible, adverse Slight to Moderate, adverse, additive Low-Moderate Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta) Type Moderate to Major Level of Minor Moderate-Major Significance (Not significant) (Significant)

REPRESENTATIVE VIEWPOINTS: Refer to Figure 11.2 for the Project Viewpoint Locations and Document Reference 7.1 Representative Viewpoint Locations LDA **Design Covanta** Millbrook Viewpoint 8: Marston Church Path / rear St Mary's Church, Representative Covanta LVIA Viewpoint 7: Residents of Marston Moretaine and users of Marston Moretaine. Overall sensitivity: Medium FP23. Overall sensitivity: High Assessment Period / Summary of Visual Effects from the **Summary of Visual Effects from Covanta Combined Cumulative Visual Effect of** Project LVIA (2017) Change / Level of LVIA (2010) the Project and Cumulative Significance Developments Magnitude and Slight, adverse (electrical connection) Moderate Moderate, adverse, additive Type **During Construction** Level of Moderate Minor Major Significance (Significant) (Not significant) Magnitude and Negligible, adverse Moderate Moderate, adverse, additive Type Completion Level of Not significant Major Moderate Significance (Not significant) (Significant) 5 Magnitude and Negligible, adverse Slight to Moderate, adverse, additive Low-Moderate Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta) Type Level of Moderate Not significant Moderate-Major Significance (Not significant) (Significant)

REPRESENTATIVE VIEWPOINTS: Refer to Figure 11.2 for the Project Viewpoint Locations and Document Reference 7.1 Representative Viewpoint Locations LDA Design Covanta Millbrook Viewpoint 9: Marston Vale Trail to the north of Lidlington Village No Equivalent or Representative Covanta LVIA Viewpoint Overall sensitivity: High Summary of Visual Effects from the Assessment Period / **Summary of Visual Effects from Covanta Combined Cumulative Visual Effect of** Change / Level of Project LVIA (2017) LVIA (2010) the Project and Cumulative Significance Developments Magnitude and Negligible, adverse Slight, adverse, additive Type **During Construction** Level of Minor Moderate Significance (Not significant) (Significant) Negligible, adverse (Electrical Magnitude and Slight, adverse, additive Type Connection) Completion Level of Minor Moderate Significance (Not significant) (Significant) 5 Magnitude and Negligible, adverse (Electrical Slight, adverse, additive Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta) Type Connection) Level of Minor Moderate **Significance** (Not significant) (Significant)

REPRESENTATIVE VIEWPOINTS: Refer to Figure 11.2 for the Project Viewpoint Locations and Document Reference 7.1 Representative Viewpoint Locations LDA Design Covanta Millbrook Viewpoint 10: John Bunyan Way, Wood End Road, Cranfield No Equivalent or Representative Covanta LVIA Viewpoint Overall sensitivity: High Assessment Period / Summary of Visual Effects from the **Summary of Visual Effects from Covanta Combined Cumulative Visual Effect of** Change / Level of Project LVIA (2017) LVIA (2010) the Project and Cumulative Significance Developments Magnitude and Negligible, adverse Slight, adverse, additive Type **During Construction** Level of Minor Moderate Significance (Not significant) (Significant) Magnitude and Negligible, adverse Slight, adverse, additive Type Completion Level of Minor Moderate Significance (Not significant) (Significant) 5 Magnitude and Negligible, adverse Slight, adverse, additive Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta) Type Moderate Level of Minor **Significance** (Not significant) (Significant)

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REPRESENTATIVE VIEWPOINTS: Refer to Figure 11.2 for the Project Viewpoint Locations and Document Reference 7.1 Representative Viewpoint Locations LDA Design Covanta Millbrook Viewpoint 11: Picnic Site at Folly Wood, Lidlington No Equivalent or Representative Covanta LVIA Viewpoint Overall sensitivity: Medium Summary of Visual Effects from the Assessment Period / **Summary of Visual Effects from Covanta Combined Cumulative Visual Effect of** Change / Level of Project LVIA (2017) LVIA (2010) the Project and Cumulative Significance Developments Magnitude and Slight, adverse Slight to Moderate, adverse, additive Type **During Construction** Level of Minor Moderate Significance (Not significant) (Significant) Magnitude and Negligible, adverse Moderate, adverse, additive Type Completion Level of Not significant Moderate Significance (Not significant) (Significant) 5 Magnitude and Negligible, adverse Slight to Moderate, adverse, additive Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta) Type Not significant Moderate Level of **Significance** (Not significant) (Significant)

REPRESENTATIVE VIEWPOINTS: Refer to Figure 11.2 for the Project Viewpoint Locations and Document Reference 7.1 Representative Viewpoint Locations LDA **Design Covanta** Millbrook Viewpoint 12: Access to Rookery North Pit, Green Lane. Nearest Representative Covanta LVIA Viewpoint 5: Motorists on Green Lane [not a Overall sensitivity: Low to Medium comparative location or baseline view]. Overall sensitivity: Low Assessment Period / Summary of Visual Effects from the **Summary of Visual Effects from Covanta Combined Cumulative Visual Effect of** Project LVIA (2017) the Project and Cumulative Change / Level of LVIA (2010) Significance **Developments** Magnitude and [Moderate] Slight, adverse Major, adverse, additive Type **During Construction** Level of Minor [Minor] Major Significance (Not significant) (Significant) Slight, adverse Magnitude and [Moderate] Moderate, adverse, additive Type Completion Level of [Minor] Minor Moderate Significance (Not significant) (Significant) 5 Magnitude and Slight, adverse [Low-Moderate] Moderate, adverse, additive Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta) Type Level of Minor [Not Significant-Minor] Moderate Significance (Not significant) (Significant)

REPRESENTATIVE VIEWPOINTS: Refer to Figure 11.2 for the Project Viewpoint Locations and Document Reference 7.1 Representative Viewpoint Locations LDA Design Covanta Millbrook Viewpoint 13: Hill Farm Bridleway. Overall sensitivity: Medium Summary of Visual Effects from the Assessment Period / **Summary of Visual Effects from Covanta Combined Cumulative Visual Effect of** Project LVIA (2017) Change / Level of LVIA (2010) the Project and Cumulative Significance Developments Magnitude and Slight, adverse Type **During Construction** Level of Minor Significance (Not significant) Magnitude and Slight, adverse Type The Project has no intervisibility with Completion cumulative developments, therefore there is no combined cumulative visual Level of Minor effect. Significance (Not significant) 5 Magnitude and Negligible, adverse Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta) Type Level of Not Significant **Significance** (Not significant)

REPRESENTATIVE VIEWPOINTS: Refer to Figure 11.2 for the Project Viewpoint Locations and Document Reference 7.1 Representative Viewpoint Locations LDA **Design Covanta** Millbrook Viewpoint 14: Footpath 7, Near Vehicle Proving Ground. Nearest Representative Covanta LVIA Viewpoint 3: Users of FP65 [not a comparative location or baseline view]. Overall sensitivity: High Overall sensitivity: Medium Assessment Period / Summary of Visual Effects from the **Summary of Visual Effects from Covanta Combined Cumulative Visual Effect of** Project LVIA (2017) the Project and Cumulative Change / Level of LVIA (2010) Significance Developments Magnitude and Major, adverse [High] Major, adverse, additive Type **During Construction** Level of [Severe/Major] Major Major Significance (Significant) (Significant) Magnitude and Major, adverse [High] Major, adverse, additive Type Completion Level of [Severe/Major] Major Major Significance (Significant) (Significant) 5 Magnitude and Moderate, adverse [Moderate-High] Moderate to Major, adverse, additive Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta) Type [Major-Severe/Major] Moderate to Major Level of Moderate **Significance** (Significant) (Significant)

REPRESENTATIVE VIEWPOINTS: Refer to Figure 11.2 for the Project Viewpoint Locations and Document Reference 7.1 Representative Viewpoint Locations LDA **Design Covanta** Millbrook Viewpoint 15: Footpath within Country Park, Railway Crossing Representative Covanta LVIA Viewpoint 1: Users of FP72 within Country Park and train passengers on railway line. Overall sensitivity: High Point. Overall sensitivity: Medium Assessment Period / Summary of Visual Effects from the **Summary of Visual Effects from Covanta Combined Cumulative Visual Effect of** Project LVIA (2017) the Project and Cumulative Change / Level of LVIA (2010) Significance Developments Magnitude and High Major, adverse Major, adverse, additive Type **During Construction** Level of Severe/Major Major Major Significance (Significant) (Significant) Magnitude and Moderate, adverse High Major, adverse, additive Type Completion Level of Severe/Major Moderate Major Significance (Significant) (Significant) 5 Magnitude and Slight, adverse Moderate-High Moderate to Major, adverse, additive Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta) Type Major-Severe/Major Level of Minor Maior Significance (Not significant) (Significant)

REPRESENTATIVE VIEWPOINTS: Refer to Figure 11.2 for the Project Viewpoint Locations and Document Reference 7.1 Representative Viewpoint Locations LDA Design Covanta Millbrook Viewpoint 16: From Footpath north-east of Lower Farm. Overall sensitivity: Medium Summary of Visual Effects from the Assessment Period / **Summary of Visual Effects from Covanta Combined Cumulative Visual Effect of** Project LVIA (2017) Change / Level of LVIA (2010) the Project and Cumulative Significance Developments Magnitude and Major (Gas Connection) Type **During Construction** Level of Major Significance (Significant) Moderate (Gas Connection) Magnitude and Type The Project has no intervisibility with Completion cumulative developments, as a result of the direction of view: therefore, there is Level of Moderate no combined cumulative visual effect. Significance (Significant) 5 Slight (Gas Connection) Magnitude and Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta) Type Level of Minor **Significance** (Not significant)

LANDSCA	PE FEATURE OR L	ANDSCAPE CHARACTER		
and LCA 90	National LCA 88: B Bedfordshire Greesitivity: Medium	sedfordshire and Cambridgeshire Claylands; ensand Ridge	No Equivalent or Representative Covanta	Landscape Assessment
Assessmer Change / L Significand	evel of	Summary of Landscape Effects from the Project LVIA (2017)	Summary of Landscape Effects from Covanta LVIA (2010)	Combined Cumulative Visual Effect of the Project and Cumulative Developments
struction	Magnitude and Type	Negligible, adverse	-	Negligible, adverse
During Construction	Level of Significance	Not significant ( <i>Not significant</i> )	-	Not significant ( <i>Not significant</i> )
ion	Magnitude and Type	Negligible, adverse	-	Negligible, adverse
On Completion	Level of Significance	Not significant ( <i>Not significant</i> )	-	Not significant ( <i>Not significant</i> )
ook) / Yr 10	Magnitude and Type	Negligible, adverse	-	Negligible, adverse
Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta)	Level of Significance	Not significant ( <i>Not significant</i> )	-	Not significant ( <i>Not significant</i> )

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truction	Magnitude and Type	Negligible, adverse	Moderate	Moderate, adverse, additive			
During Construction	Level of Significance	Not significant ( <i>Not significant</i> )	Moderate	Minor (Not significant)			
uo	Magnitude and Type	Negligible, adverse	Moderate	Moderate, adverse, additive			
On Completion	Level of Significance	Not significant ( <i>Not significant</i> )	Moderate	Minor (Not significant)			
ook) / Yr 10	Magnitude and Type	Negligible, adverse	Low	Slight, adverse, additive			
Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta)	Level of Significance	Not significant ( <i>Not significant</i> )	Minor	Minor (Not significant)			

<b>Millbrook:</b> Forest of Marston Vale Landscape Zones: Greensand Ridge and East Vale; Brickfields. Overall sensitivity: Medium		Representative Covanta Landscape Assessment: 6b Mid Greensand Ridge Overall sensitivity: High		
Assessment Period / Summary of Landscape Effects from Project LVIA (2017) Significance		Summary of Landscape Effects from the Project LVIA (2017)	Summary of Landscape Effects from Covanta LVIA (2010)	Combined Cumulative Visual Effect of the Project and Cumulative Developments
During Construction	Magnitude and Type	Slight, adverse	Negligible	Slight, adverse, additive
	Level of Significance	Minor ( <i>Not significant</i> )	Minor	Minor ( <i>Not significant</i> )
c o	Magnitude and Type	Slight, adverse	Negligible	Slight, adverse, additive
On Completion	Level of Significance	Minor ( <i>Not significant</i> )	Minor	Minor ( <i>Not significant</i> )
Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta)	Magnitude and Type	Slight, adverse And Neutral	Negligible	Slight, adverse, additive
	Level of Significance	Minor ( <i>Not significant</i> )	Minor	Minor (Not significant)

LANDSCA	PE FEATURE OR L	ANDSCAPE CHARACTER		
Millbrook: Local landscape character of the Project Site and surrounding area. Overall sensitivity: Low			Representative Covanta Landscape Assessment: 1a Rookery Pit Overall sensitivity: Low	
Assessment Period / Change / Level of Significance		Summary of Landscape Effects from the Project LVIA (2017)	Summary of Landscape Effects from Covanta LVIA (2010)	Combined Cumulative Visual Effect of the Project and Cumulative Developments
itruction	Magnitude and Type	Moderate, adverse	High	Major, adverse, additive
During Construction	Level of Significance	Minor ( <i>Not significant</i> )	Moderate	Minor ( <i>Not significant</i> )
uo	Magnitude and Type	Moderate, adverse	High	Major, adverse, additive
On Completion	Level of Significance	Minor ( <i>Not significant</i> )	Moderate	Minor ( <i>Not significant</i> )
ook) / Yr 10	Magnitude and Type	Slight, adverse	Moderate	Moderate, adverse, additive
Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta)	Level of Significance	Minor ( <i>Not significant</i> )	Minor	Minor (Not significant)

LANDSCAPE FEATURE OR LANDSCAPE CHARACTER				
Millbrook: Landform. Overall sensitivity: Low			No Equivalent or Representative Covanta Landscape Assessment	
Assessment Period / Summary of Landscape Effects to Project LVIA (2017) Significance		Summary of Landscape Effects from the Project LVIA (2017)	Summary of Landscape Effects from Covanta LVIA (2010)	from Combined Cumulative Visual Effect of the Project and Cumulative Developments
itruction	Magnitude and Type	Negligible, adverse	-	Negligible, adverse, additive
During Construction	Level of Significance	Not significant ( <i>Not significant</i> )	-	Not significant ( <i>Not significant</i> )
uo	Magnitude and Type	Negligible, adverse	-	Negligible, adverse, additive
On Completion	Level of Significance	Not significant ( <i>Not significant</i> )	-	Not significant ( <i>Not significant</i> )
Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta)	Magnitude and Type	Negligible, adverse	-	Negligible, adverse, additive
	Level of Significance	Not significant ( <i>Not significant</i> )	-	Not significant ( <i>Not significant</i> )

Millbrook: Woodland, trees and hedgerows. Overall sensitivity: Medium			No Equivalent or Representative Covanta Landscape Assessment	
Assessment Period / Change / Level of Significance		Summary of Landscape Effects from the Project LVIA (2017)	Summary of Landscape Effects from Covanta LVIA (2010)	Combined Cumulative Visual Effect of the Project and Cumulative Developments
itruction	Magnitude and Type	Moderate, adverse	-	Moderate, adverse, additive
During Construction	Level of Significance	Moderate ( <i>Significant</i> )	-	Moderate ( <i>Significant</i> )
uo	Magnitude and Type	Moderate, adverse	-	Moderate, adverse, additive
On Completion	Level of Significance	Moderate ( <i>Significant</i> )	-	Moderate ( <i>Significant</i> )
ook) / Yr 10	Magnitude and Type	Moderate, benefit	-	Moderate, benefit, additive
Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta)	Level of Significance	Moderate ( <i>Significant</i> )	-	Moderate (Significant)

Millbrook: Public Rights of Way Overall sensitivity: Medium		No Equivalent or Representative Covanta Landscape Assessment		
Assessment Period / Summary of Landscape Effects from the Project LVIA (2017) Significance		Summary of Landscape Effects from Covanta LVIA (2010)	Combined Cumulative Visual Effect of the Project and Cumulative Developments	
During Construction	Magnitude and Type	Moderate, adverse	-	
	Level of Significance	Moderate (Significant)	-	
On Completion	Magnitude and Type	Moderate, adverse	-	Covanta and other cumulative developments have no direct effect or
	Level of Significance	Moderate (Significant)	-	public rights of way within the Proje Site, therefore there is no direct combined cumulative landscape effe
Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta)	Magnitude and Type	Moderate, benefit	-	
	Level of Significance	Moderate (Significant)	-	

Millbrook: Watercourses Overall sensitivity: Medium			No Equivalent or Representative Covanta Landscape Assessment	
Assessment Period / Summary of Landscape Effects from the Project LVIA (2017) Significance		Summary of Landscape Effects from Covanta LVIA (2010)	Combined Cumulative Visual Effect of the Project and Cumulative Developments	
rruction	Magnitude and Type	No change	-	
During Construction	Level of Significance	No change	-	
u.	Magnitude and Type	No change	-	Covanta and other cumulative developments have no direct effect on
On Completion	Level of Significance	No change	-	watercourses within the Project Site, therefore there is no direct combined cumulative landscape effect.
Yr15 (Millbrook) / Yr 10 (Covanta)	Magnitude and Type	Slight, benefit (establishment of waterside vegetation)	-	
	Level of Significance	Minor ( <i>Not significant</i> )	-	



# 11.2 - Landscape and Ecology Mitigation and Management Strategy



## **Millbrook Power Project**

**Outline Landscape and Ecology Mitigation and Management Strategy** 

On behalf of Millbrook Power Limited



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# 1 Introduction

- 1.1.1 This outline Landscape and Ecology Mitigation and Management Strategy (LEMMS) has been prepared by Peter Brett Associates LLP (PBA) on behalf of Millbrook Power Ltd. (the Applicant). It outlines the proposed mitigation and management measures for the Millbrook Power Project (hereafter referred to as the Project) in relation to landscape and ecological management and mitigation. It covers the period from the completion of the landscape works during the operational phase for the first ten years, and can be extended up to the decommissioning stage after a further 15 years.
- 1.1.2 The Project is proposed at and adjacent to the former clay extraction pit at Rookery South, near Stewartby, Bedfordshire with the approximate centre of the Project Site at grid reference 501373, 240734. The boundary of the Project Site falls within both Central Bedfordshire Council (CBC) and Bedford Borough Council (BBC) areas. The Project comprises an up to 299 Megawatts (MW) gas fired peaking power generation plant which constitutes a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) pursuant to the Planning Act 2008 and therefore requires development consent under that Act. This document therefore supports the development consent order ("DCO") Application for the Project.
- 1.1.3 The DCO Application is being made to the Planning Inspectorate pursuant to the Planning Act 2008 and in accordance with the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedures) Regulations 2009 (the "APFP" Regulations").
- 1.1.4 This outline strategy is the precursor to a more detailed Landscape and Ecological Mitigation and Management Plan which will be prepared should the application be successful.
- 1.1.5 The requirement to prepare a final version of the LEMMS is included as a Requirement attached to the DCO (Requirement 3 of Document Reference 3.1).

#### **Purpose of this Document**

- 1.1.6 This outline LEMMS augments the mitigation measures included in the Environmental Statement (ES) Chapter 11 (Document Reference 6.1): Landscape and Visual Impact, and Chapter 8: Ecology, and Appendix 3.2 Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP), (Document Reference 6.2). Its purpose is to:
  - Provide a clear landscape and ecology mitigation and management rationale, which responds to the context of the Project Site;
  - Provide more clearly defined landscape and ecological mitigation; and
  - Provide graphical illustrations of the proposed mitigation.



#### **Document Structure**

- 1.1.7 The document has been structured as follows:
  - Introduction: Describes the document's purpose along with a description of the Project and embedded design mitigation;
  - Baseline conditions: Provides an appraisal of the landscape surrounding the Project along with a description of ecological features;
  - Ecological features: Describes the important ecological features and other features affected by the Project;
  - Landscape and ecological mitigation principles: Describes the key functions
    of mitigation, and sets out how the landscape proposals will respond to the
    character of each site and its surroundings, and the measures taken to minimise
    effects on ecological features;
  - Mitigation proposals: Describes measures to protect existing trees and hedgerows, the planting strategy and species mixes, and phasing of the works;
  - Long term management: Describes aftercare of landscape mitigation for a period of 10 years; and
  - **Ecological management:** Outlines the seasonal constraints to be taken into account when undertaking management activities.

#### **The Project**

- 1.1.8 A full description of the Project is provided in Chapter 3 of the ES however; a brief overview is provided below.
- 1.1.9 The Project would comprise:
  - a new Power Generation Plant in the form of an Open Cycle Gas Turbine (OCGT) peaking power generating station, fuelled by natural gas with a rated electrical output of up to 299 MW. This is the output of the generating station as a whole, measured at the terminals of the generating equipment. The Power Generation Plant comprises:
    - —generating equipment including one Gas Turbine Generator with one exhaust gas flue stack and Balance of Plant (together referred to as the 'Generating Equipment'), which are located within the 'Generating Equipment Site';
    - —a new purpose built access road from Green Lane to the Generating Equipment Site (the 'Access Road' or the 'Short Access Road');
    - a temporary construction compound required during construction only (the 'Laydown Area');



- a new underground gas pipeline connection, approximately 1.8 km in length (the 'Pipeline') to bring natural gas to the Generating Equipment from the National Transmission System (the 'Gas Connection'). The Gas Connection also incorporates an Above Ground Installation (AGI) at the point of connection to the National Transmission System; and
- a new electrical connection to export power from the Generating Equipment to the National Grid Electricity Transmission System (NETS) (the 'Electrical Connection'), comprising an underground double circuit Tee-in. This would require one new tower (which will replace an existing tower and be located in the existing Grendon – Sundon transmission route corridor, thereby resulting in no net additional towers). This option would require two SECs, one located on each side of the existing transmission line, and both circuits would then be connected via underground cables approximately 500 m in length to a new substation (the 'Substation').

#### 1.1.10

- 1.1.11 The Generating Equipment, Access Road and Laydown Area are together known as the 'Power Generation Plant' and are located within the 'Power Generation Plant Site'. The Power Generation Plant Site is approximately 12.5 ha in area.
- 1.1.12 The Power Generation Plant, Gas Connection, and Electrical Connection, together with all access requirements are referred to as the 'Project'. The land upon which the Project would be developed, or which would be required in order to facilitate the development of the Project, is referred to as the 'Project Site'. The Project Site is approximately 48 ha in area. The Project is described in more detail in Chapter 3 of the ES.
- 1.1.13 A full glossary of defined terms is presented in Appendix 1.1 of the ES.

## **Embedded Design Mitigation**

1.1.14 The Project layout has taken into account the landscape receptors, ecological features, and mitigation requirements. In addition, embedded design mitigation measures which can often be considered as standard, best practice working methods, without which the Project would not be allowed to be developed, have been included as follows:

#### **Landscape Working Methods**

- 1.1.15 As the construction period is of a limited duration (approximately 22 months), significant mitigation to limit landscape and visual impacts is not anticipated. However, the following will be applied through a CEMP through a Requirement attached to the DCO (Requirement 10). An outline CEMP is included in Appendix 3.2 of the ES:
  - Land / vegetation clearance and occupation will be limited to the minimum area necessary for the works;



- Temporary protection of vegetation and other vulnerable features to be retained will be undertaken in accordance with prevailing best practice;
- Temporary storage of soils and other material considered of value for retention will be undertaken in accordance with prevailing best practice. Where practical, stockpiles will be sited to screen the construction works from sensitive receptors such as PROW.
- Construction areas will be laid out to minimise adverse impacts arising from temporary structures, construction activities and lighting;
- Construction roads will be on the same alignment as permanent access roads where possible;
- Use of construction site lighting outside normal working hours will be restricted to the minimum necessary for workforce and public safety, and for security. Directional luminaries will be used to limit unwanted light spill in accordance with guidance provided by the Bat Conservation Trust and Institute of Lighting Engineers (2009);
- Maintenance of tidy and contained site compounds;
- Hoardings erected around the area of construction works, for reasons of creating a visual barrier to construction activities and also as a safety measure, to prevent access to the general public;
- Temporal measures including the removal of all temporary structures and stockpiles when no longer required, and prompt reinstatement of construction areas;
- Reinstatement of all agricultural land required temporarily during construction, and a five-year aftercare plan to seek to ensure land is returned to its former productivity;
- Replacement of all trees, shrubs and hedgerows removed to accommodate the utility Connections, subject to NG planting constraints; and;
- The AGI will be screened on all sides with vegetation to limit visual impacts.

#### **Ecological Working Methods**

- 1.1.16 The CEMP would incorporate measures to protect sensitive ecology such as:
  - Work compounds and access tracks etc. will not be located in, or adjacent to, areas that maintain habitat value;
  - Site fencing will be used to prevent access to areas outside working areas, particularly in areas adjacent to features of ecological value;



- Procedures will be implemented to address site safety issues, including storage of potentially dangerous materials;
- Briefings and instruction would be given to contractors regarding the biodiversity issues associated with the Project Site; and
- Best practice pollution prevention measures would be followed to prevent pollution of water courses by silt or chemicals.

## **Temporal Scope**

1.1.17 The management plan covers an initial 10-year period commencing at the beginning of the construction phase, and will form the basis of a longer term management plan for up to 25 years in total, up to the assumed decommissioning date of the project.

# **Spatial Scope**

1.1.18 The strategy and management plans cover the whole Project Site. The principal area for development of the Power Generation Plant takes up part of the disused Rookery South Pit next to Pillinge Farm South. The Project Site extends to the north between the Marston Vale Line and Rookery North Pit to Green Lane in Stewartby and to the south the Gas Connection AGI is adjacent to Lower Farm.

#### Responsibilities

1.1.19 The execution of the LEMMS will be the responsibility of the developer / operator of the Project, except for certain areas which may be managed by the landowner under agreement (e.g. limited areas of new hedge planting along the Gas Connection). The LEMMS operations in association with AGI and SECs will be undertaken by National Grid and / or the Project operator.

#### **Plans and Surveys**

- 1.1.20 In preparing this LEMMS, reference has been made to other documents which also support the DCO Application for the Project, namely:
  - Environmental Statement (ES) (Document Reference 6.1); and
  - Ecological Surveys (Appendix 8.1 to 8.5 of the ES (Document Reference 6.2));



# 2 Baseline Conditions

# **Project Site Location**

2.1.1 The Project would be located in an area known as 'the Marston Vale' between Milton Keynes and Bedford with the approximate centre of the Project Site at grid reference 501373, 240734. The Project Site falls within areas administered by both Central Bedfordshire Council (CBC) and Bedford Borough Council (BBC).

#### The Rookery

- 2.1.2 The Project Site is partially located within 'The Rookery'. The Rookery comprises two former clay pits (Rookery North and Rookery South) separated by an east-west spine of unexcavated clay covering an area of some 210 ha. The Rookery is situated in the Marston Vale between Milton Keynes and Bedford.
- 2.1.3 The Generating Equipment Site, Laydown Area and parts of the Access Road, Gas Connection and Electrical Connection would be located within part of Rookery South Pit, which is approximately 95 ha in area and is bounded by steep clay banks that are varied in nature and substrate. The level of the pit base currently varies between approximately 10 and 15 m below ground level and includes open water, reed beds, pools and bare inundated clay. The land that remains at the original ground level, approximately 42 m above ordnance datum (AOD) immediately around the periphery of Rookery South Pit is predominantly bare ground that has been previously cleared of vegetation and subsequently maintained in this state over approximately the last 30 years.
- 2.1.4 The Gas Connection and Electrical Connection would extend from Rookery South Pit into farmland to the south and south east. Part of the Access Road would run to the west of Rookery North Pit.

#### **Low Level Restoration Scheme**

- 2.1.5 Prior to the commencement of construction works on site a Low Level Restoration Scheme (LLRS) will have been undertaken (Appendix 4). The restoration of the site includes the re-grading of the sides of the pit, planting of semi improved grassland, trees marsh, marginal aquatics and native hedgerows and scrub and the realignement of surface management ditches.
- 2.1.6 The LLRS provides the baseline for which future mitigation proposals in this LEMMS have been proposed.

#### **Relevant History**

2.1.7 The area around the Marston Vale has a long history of clay extraction, which was used primarily for the brick industry resulting in former clay extraction pits dominating the immediate landscape around the Project Site. Some pits have been restored for



- amenity use (e.g. on the nearby Millennium Country Park), while others have been used for landfill (e.g. Stewartby and Brogborough). The Rookery South Pit has remained as an open, undeveloped pit.
- 2.1.8 Partial backfilling of Rookery South Pit has been recorded, including deposition of non-hazardous liquid organic wastes from a variety of industrial sources. The waste was reportedly mixed with unweathered Oxford Clay deposits commonly known as the "callow" and pumped, as sludge, into the south eastern quarter of the Rookery North Pit and the north eastern quarter of Rookery South Pit.
- 2.1.9 Additional fill to the base of Rookery South Pit has also been historically undertaken by placement of variable thicknesses (generally from 1 m to 4 m) of Callow Clay Fill across the base of the pit. These naturally occurring deposits were unsuitable for the brick making process and were cast back into the pit along with brick fragments and other overburden deposits.
- 2.1.10 The land directly north of the Generating Equipment Site has been allocated to a Resource Recovery Facility (RRF) which Covanta Rookery South Limited obtained DCO consent for pursuant to the PA 2008 in autumn 2011 (the 'Covanta RRF Project').

#### **Landscape Character**

- 2.1.11 Published sources describing the landscape character of the area at the National, Regional and District level are:
  - National Character Area 88: Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire Claylands (Natural England, 2014a);
  - National Character Area 90: Bedfordshire Greensand Ridge (Natural England, 2014b);
  - 5D: North Marston Clay Vale, Mid Bedfordshire Landscape Character Assessment (Land Use Consultants, 2007).
  - 6B: Mid Greensand Ridge, Mid Bedfordshire Landscape Character Assessment (Land Use Consultants, 2007); and
  - The Forest of Marston Vale: Forest Plan (The Forest of Marston Vale, 2000)
- 2.1.12 Figure 11.3 of the ES illustrates landscape character areas applicable to the Project Site and surrounding area.

#### **Ecological Character**

2.1.13 Baseline conditions of the Power Generation Plant Site include the Rookery South Clay Pit which forms part of the Rookery Clay Pit County Wildlife Site (CWS). The base of the western parts of Rookery South Pit presently comprises a mosaic of



- sparsely vegetated and bare ground, with occasional channels and pools of standing water supporting emergent vegetation including reed grasses and sedges.
- 2.1.14 In the past, Rookery South Clay Pit supported a large population of great crested newts, a small population of grass snakes and a medium population of common lizards, along with a valuable invertebrate fauna and numerous bird species of conservation importance. Trapping and translocation of great crested newts (and reptiles) has taken place under a mitigation licence, issued by Natural England in 2011 as part of the LLRS. This has affected the southern half of the Rookery Clay Pit CWS incorporating the southern portion of the Access Road and a proportion of the arable land in the south of the Project Site. The translocation programme was completed in November 2014. Significant areas of the western half of the base of Rookery South Pit were levelled following completion of the translocation exercise, and during an ecological walkover survey undertaken by PBA in April 2017, it was noted that herpetofauna exclusion fencing had been retained in situ. At the time that the Project is constructed in 2020, it is assumed that no great crested newts or reptiles will be present in the base of the Rookery South Pit and surrounding area. In addition, the LLRS re-profiling works will replace any terrestrial habitat currently suitable for great crested newts, reptiles, breeding birds and/or invertebrates within Rookery South Pit with clay, rendering it of negligible nature conservation value for these species.
- 2.1.15 The surrounds of the pit comprise a patchy mosaic of bare ground, species-poor neutral grassland and woodland/scrub habitats that have developed since clay extraction ceased. The access track comprises a mosaic of bare ground with ephemeral vegetation and scrub, which is known to be used as a commuting and foraging route by a range of bat species. In addition, suitable terrestrial habitat along the track is likely to be used by great crested newts and reptiles, and the trees and scrub are likely to be used by nesting birds.
- 2.1.16 The majority of the habitats within the areas proposed for the Gas and Electrical Connection route comprise intensively managed agricultural land, characterised by large arable fields, with grassy field margins which are bound by young species-poor hedgerows. A small number of plantation woodlands, which appear to be relatively recent in origin (less than 30 years old) are present within the areas proposed for the Gas and Electrical Connection. Parts of the Gas Connection and Electrical Connection (e.g. the Substation) are within Rookery South Pit. These are assumed to be the same as the Power Generation Plant Site.
- 2.1.17 Two great crested newt meta-populations are located within 250m of the Gas and Electrical Connection area. In addition, small populations of reptiles (common lizards and grass snake) have been recorded within the Gas and Electrical Connection areas. In addition, the hedgerows are likely to be used by nesting and foraging birds.



# 3 Ecological Features

- 3.1.1 In order to determine the ecological features for which ecological mitigation measures are required for the Project, an evaluation of ecological features was undertaken having regards to the Chartered Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management's (CIEEM) Guidelines for Ecological Impact Assessment (2016). Ecological features that were deemed to be important, and therefore required full consideration in the impact assessment were identified. These features are those that are important within a 'Local' context or greater. Only one important ecological feature has been identified: Rookery Clay Pit CWS. Further information is provided in Chapter 8 of the ES.
- 3.1.2 A number of ecological features are considered to be of insufficient importance to trigger a detailed assessment. Nevertheless, due to their protection under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010 (as amended) and/ or the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended), consideration needs to be given to appropriate management measures during the design and implementation of the Project, which are required to avoid a breach of legislation. These are described below.

### **Important Ecological Features**

## **Rookery Clay Pit CWS**

3.1.3 There will be direct habitat loss within Rookery Clay Pit CWS associated with the construction of the Power Generation Plant. As identified above, the re-grading works associated with the LLRS within Rookery South Pit will replace any terrestrial habitat suitable for newts, reptiles, breeding birds and/ or reptiles. Impacts are therefore limited to the loss of any new habitat that would have been created associated as part of the LLRS restoration strategy, in the absence of the Project, and the areas of ephemeral vegetation and scrub habitat on the peripheral areas of the western edge of Rookery North Pit, including along the Access Road, if vegetation removal is required. Given that the LLRS will be completed by the time of construction of the Project, and Rookery North Pit will be retained, the effect of habitat loss upon Rookery Clay Pit CWS before mitigation is considered to be 'Not Significant'.

# Other ecological features requiring appropriate management to avoid a breach of legislation

#### **Designated sites**

3.1.4 There is one SSSI within 2 km of the Power Generation Plant Site. Coopers Hill SSSI is approximately 1.2 km to the south-east. A further 11 non-statutory designated sites are present within 2 km of the Project Site.



3.1.5 Given the distances of these statutory and non-statutory designated sites from the Power Generation Plant Site, the risk of dust and particulate matter emissions during construction and decommissioning of the Project is considered to be low. No direct or indirect impacts are anticipated, and no specific mitigation is deemed necessary.

#### Great crested newts

- 3.1.6 At the time of construction, it is assumed that Rookery South Pit will remain free of great crested newts. However, the existing access track, along the alignment of the Access Road, on the western edge of Rookery North Pit, comprises areas of scrub, ephemeral vegetation and bare ground with cracks and crevices. These habitats, including the voids in the bare ground, could be used by the meta-population of great crested newts supported by Rookery North Pit during their terrestrial phase. The potential exists for construction of the Access Road to result in incidental harm to great crested newts using suitable features associated with terrestrial habitat along the route of the Access Road.
- 3.1.7 Surveys have confirmed the presence of one small population of great crested newts and one medium population of great crested newts within the Gas and Electrical Connection area.
- 3.1.8 Great crested newts are relatively common in the county and are widespread within the vicinity of the Project Site (comprising four meta-populations recorded during the surveys, a large population associated with the receptor sites from the Rookery South Pit translocation, and robust meta-populations known to occur elsewhere within the base of Marston Vale). The great crested newt populations associated with the Project Site are therefore considered to be of less than 'Local' importance.

#### **Reptiles**

- 3.1.9 The existing access track along the alignment of the Access Road, on the western edge of Rookery North Pit comprises areas of scrub, ephemeral vegetation and bare ground with cracks and crevices which could be used by common species of reptiles associated with Rookery North Pit. In addition, small populations of common lizard and grass snakes were recorded within the Gas and Electrical Connection, although the areas affected are considered to be of limited value, due to the intense management of the arable farmland.
- 3.1.10 Given that other similar habitat is widespread in Marston Vale and the surrounding area, and that only small to medium populations of reptiles have been confirmed during the baseline surveys, the reptile populations within the Project Site are considered to be of less than 'Local' importance.

#### **Nesting birds**

3.1.11 The areas of scrub along the existing access track can be expected to support nesting birds. The majority of the areas proposed for the Gas and Electrical Connection are of limited value for breeding birds, consisting of large arable fields,



delineated by species-poor hedgerows and ditches. Overall, the assemblage of breeding birds associated with the Project Site is considered to be of less than 'Local' importance.

#### **Bats**

3.1.12 The majority of bats were recorded foraging and commuting along the scrub-lined access track, which constitutes a 'green corridor', linking the known bat roosts at South Pillinge Farm, with valuable foraging habitat to the north, associated with Rookery North Pit and beyond. The bat populations associated with the Project Site are considered to be of less than 'Local' importance.



# 4 Landscape & Ecological Mitigation Proposals

#### **Overview**

- 4.1.1 The Landscape and Ecology Strategy Plan (Appendix 2) includes the creation of a new structurally diverse and species-rich belt of woodland planting to reflect the species composition within the wider Marston Vale Forest. Additional planting and appropriate management of existing blocks of planted woodland would be expected to enhance their nature conservation value. Native species of local provenance will be used, wherever possible. These new areas of planting linking existing habitats would be expected to increase the connectivity of the Project Site for wildlife. The planting proposed has been designed to ensure the value for biodiversity is maximised, whilst performing a landscape screening function.
- 4.1.2 The surface water management ditches proposed as part of the LLRS have been incorporated into the LEMMS for the Project, albeit with minor realignments to the south of the Generating Equipment and Substation. In addition, a series of small ponds will be created within the Project Site, designed to be of value to wildlife, with shallow sloping edges planted with marginal vegetation to provide egg laying opportunities for newts. This new pond creation would also contribute towards relevant targets in the Bedfordshire and Luton Biodiversity Action Plan. The exact location of the ponds would be defined prior to construction, in liaison with stakeholders.

#### **Project Landscape Strategy**

#### Introduction

- 4.1.3 It is anticipated that where possible, existing planting within the Project Site will be retained and protected. Where it is necessary for vegetation to be removed, the extent will be kept to a minimum and it will be replanted within the Project Site following construction.
- 4.1.4 A palette of native tree and shrub planting (see Appendix 1) has been compiled to meet the various planting scenarios identified within this LEMMS.

#### **Planting proposals**

- 4.1.5 The planting species that form the basis of the landscape planting strategy on site are detailed in Appendix 1, and include the following:
  - New structural planting;
  - Trees:
  - Hedgerows, both general mixed native hedgerow planting and hawthorn and blackthorn only hedgerows crossing easements;



- Grassland seeding; and
- Scrub planting.

## **Ecological Mitigation Strategy**

#### Overview

- 4.1.6 Given that no likely significant effects are predicted on important ecological features (Rookery Pit CWS), no project specific mitigation is required in addition to the embedded design mitigation described in Chapter 3, section 3.6 of the ES and outlined in the CEMP (Appendix 3.2).
- 4.1.7 The LEMMS for the Project will ensure that any habitats of ecological value that would have been created as part of the LLRS (in the absence of the Project) will be incorporated into the design of the Project. This includes surface water management ditches, and areas of woodland, tree and scrub planting. Should the construction of the Access Road result in the loss of any vegetation, this would be replanted with appropriate native species, to maintain the bat foraging and commuting corridor. In addition, the enhancement of retained vegetation and creation of new habitats, through woodland, tree and hedgerow planting and new ponds would be expected to result in a net gain in biodiversity.
- 4.1.8 The Landscape Strategy associated with the Covanta RRF project has been taken into account when designing the LEMMS for the Project. All areas of proposed planting and habitat creation associated with the Covanta RRF project have been taken into account in the context of the outline LEMMS. Should areas of landscape mitigation planted as part of the Covanta RRF Project need to be disturbed by the construction of the Project, provision has been made for the areas to be replaced, re-planted or equivalent planting placed appropriately so as not to detract from the overall mitigation screening or habitat creation originally envisaged by the Covanta RRF landscape and ecology strategy. If mitigation planting used at the Covanta RRF Project is disturbed by the Project, it would be the responsibility of the developer of the Project to replace this planting.
- 4.1.9 Details showing the landscape and ecology mitigation strategy for the Project integrated with the landscape planting proposed as part of the Covanta RRF Project (e.g. assuming both projects co-exist) are provided in Appendix 3.

#### **Great crested newts**

4.1.10 Great crested newts and their places of shelter are protected under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010 (as amended). They are also protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended). The management measures identified below are required in order to avoid the incidental mortality of great crested newts during the implementation of the Project, and to ensure that the favourable conservation status of the local great crested newt population is maintained.



- 4.1.11 Whilst no ponds would be directly affected by the construction of the Power Generation Plant or Gas Connection or Electrical Connection, short sections of the Access Road are located approximately 490 m from the Rookery North Pit large population of great crested newts. The potential therefore exists for the incidental mortality of great crested newts, associated with the re-surfacing works. Similarly, the Electrical Connection will be installed within 250 m of Pond C (see Appendix 5) which supports a small population of great crested newts; a narrow strip of planted woodland will be removed to facilitate the trench installation. In addition, five sections of hedgerows will be removed, four of which are located within 250 m of Pond H (see Appendix 5). However, given the distances involved, the limited suitability of the habitats affected, and the presence of more suitable terrestrial habitat nearby the likelihood of encountering great crested newts has been assessed as being low in each instance.
- 4.1.12 Using Natural England's Rapid Risk Assessment tool, the likelihood of an offence being committed as a result of the Gas Connection and Electrical Connection installation is considered to be 'highly unlikely'. Any requirement to carry out the works under a precautionary method statement included within the CEMP or a derogation licence issued by Natural England to ensure that no newts are harmed during the construction process, will be determined prior to construction. This will be based on the historical context of mitigation works associated with great crested newts in and adjacent to the Project Site. If required, appropriate mitigation measures will involve the appropriate timing of works, avoidance of suitable terrestrial habitat as far as possible, and the careful removal/ dismantling by hand of any suitable refugia beneath the footprint of the works.

## Reptiles

- 4.1.13 Reptiles are afforded protection under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended). Any elements of the Project affecting the limited areas of potential reptile habitat will give due regard to the legislation protecting common and widespread reptile species, i.e. protection against injury and killing. This will be achieved through the displacement of any reptiles present into areas of retained habitat within and adjacent to the Project Site prior to construction works commencing through the following approach:
  - Progressive removal of suitable low-lying vegetation, including long grass, ruderals and scrub, using hand-held tools. The final stages of clearance to ground level should take place during suitable climatic conditions at a time of year when reptiles are active (generally April to September inclusive).
  - Dismantling of any potential hibernacula or refugia by hand, including compost heaps and log piles.
  - Where appropriate, ground level clearance work will be overseen by a suitably experienced ecologist who would relocate any reptiles encountered to an area of suitable retained habitat within and adjacent to the site.



 Following the clearance of vegetation, the vegetation will be maintained at ground level to prevent re-colonisation prior to works commencing.

#### **Nesting birds**

4.1.14 Nesting birds are protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended). Any clearance or cutting of woody vegetation will avoid the breeding bird season (generally taken to be March to August inclusive) in order to avoid the destruction of active birds' nests. If this is not possible, the vegetation will be checked prior to removal for the presence of any active birds' nests. If active nests are present, an appropriate exclusion zone will be retained around the nest and such works will be delayed until the young birds have fledged and the nest becomes inactive.

#### Bats

- 4.1.15 All species of bats in the UK are European protected species, receiving protection under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010 (as amended). They are also protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended).
- 4.1.16 The lighting scheme associated with the construction and operation of the Project has been sensitively designed to minimise potential impacts on bats in accordance with guidance provided by the Bat Conservation Trust and Institute of Lighting Engineers (2009). As a minimum, down-lighting and motion-sensitive lights will be used, and light spill will be minimised by the use of baffles, as appropriate to avoid disturbance effects on the known bat roost associated with the South Pillinge Farm. An outline lighting strategy is included as Appendix 11.2 of the ES.



# 5 Landscape and Ecological Management

#### **Establishment & Management**

#### **Protection of Valuable Features during Construction**

- 5.1.1 In order to retain and protect existing trees and hedgerows, temporary fencing will be erected in accordance with British Standard BS5837:2012 'Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction'.
- 5.1.2 BS5837:2012, would also be followed which sets out, amongst other things, operations not permitted within the protected zones of trees, and describes suitable fencing types depending on their proximity to construction activity and the potential vulnerability of plant material to construction damage. Fencing will be erected at the commencement of the construction phase and be maintained until practical completion.

#### **Services**

- 5.1.3 Landscape proposals will be coordinated with drainage, mechanical and electrical services layouts as far as they are available prior to the design being completed.
- 5.1.4 Liaison would be undertaken with National Grid Gas (NGG) and National Grid Electricity and Transmission (NGET) to ensure that any mitigation planting within the Gas Connection or Electrical Connection is undertaken in accordance with this strategy.

# **Programme for Vegetation Removal and Management**

5.1.5 Any clearance or cutting of woody vegetation will ideally avoid the nesting bird season (generally taken to be March to August inclusive) in order to avoid the destruction of active birds' nests. If this is not possible, the vegetation will be checked prior to removal for the presence of any active birds' nests. If active nests are present, an appropriate exclusion zone will be retained around the nest and such works will be delayed until the young birds have fledged and the nest becomes inactive.

#### Management of Vegetation Prior to Implementation of the Landscape Scheme

- 5.1.6 Hedgerow pruning will be carried out using a reciprocating blade cutter to reduce the height of 3-5m. Sides will be cut back. Standard trees are to remain uncut and be allowed to grow on.
- 5.1.7 Where overgrown hedges require rejuvenating, they will be coppiced to 150 mm in height.



# **Management Objectives**

5.1.8 The overall management objectives are set out below for different vegetation types.

## Generally

- 5.1.9 In general terms, the objectives of the proposals are to:
  - secure the long-term future of the landscape;
  - enhance local landscape character;
  - integrate the site into the surrounding landscape;
  - retain and manage existing woodland/structure planting as a visual amenity and/or screen, and provide additional supplementary planting to provide links across the site for wildlife;
  - retain and manage trees, where possible, and to make adequate provision for age diversification;
  - retain and manage scrub and hedgerows, where possible, and make provision for supplementary planting;
  - create, maintain and enhance habitats of value to wildlife, to provide benefits for the local environment and biodiversity;
  - create wetland habitats of value to amphibians and aquatic invertebrates;
  - provide continuing complementary uses for remaining agricultural land; and
  - establish a flexible management and maintenance regime able to respond to changing needs or objectives.

#### **Specific Objectives**

# Timing of Works to Existing Woody Vegetation

5.1.10 Reference should be made to paragraphs 4.1.14 and 5.1.5 in relation to the bird nesting season.

#### **Existing Woodland**

- 5.1.11 The objectives for existing woodland are to:
  - improve the age diversity of the woodland;
  - increase species diversity where appropriate;



- undertake rotational tree thinning to ensure remaining trees have sound, balanced branch structures and space to mature;
- undertake operations to prolong the useful lifespan of trees;
- undertake regular condition inspections to inform the strategy for tree works to maintain a safe site, particularly adjacent to areas to which the public has access;
- ensure management allows light to reach the shrub and/or ground cover layer to allow a persistent understorey to remain/develop;

#### **New Structure Planting**

- 5.1.12 Objectives for new structure planting are to:
  - maintain the landscape across the Project Site, to provide a wildlife corridor, and encourage species which are seed, fruit and nut bearing to provide a food resource for wildlife;
  - create wildlife corridors around the perimeter of the site and connecting with the LLRS planting to benefit wildlife;
  - reflect native species composition;
  - develop a tree canopy above a persistent scrub canopy;
  - ensure the tree canopy is incomplete and light reaches the understorey by periodic thinning;
  - provide appropriate native planting to fit into the surrounding landscape;
  - rejuvenate scrub growth through coppicing on a rotational basis to prevent legginess;
  - maintain a screen to the Generating Equipment and Substation and the SECs;
     and
  - control invasive species.

#### **Existing Trees**

- 5.1.13 Objectives for existing trees are to:
  - retain individual trees, where possible;
  - retain and manage mature trees where possible and make adequate provision for their long-term replacement where necessary;



- maintain and enhance the value of the site for roosting bats and nesting and foraging birds;
- ensure that as trees grow, canopies do not obstruct CCTV cameras or movement of high-sided vehicles, while maintaining their natural shape;
- undertake operations required for health and safety reasons and to prolong the useful lifespan of trees;
- ensure no construction work or digging of service trenches takes place within root protection zones; and
- undertake regular condition inspections and prepare a schedule of tree surgery required to maintain a safe site, particularly adjacent to areas to which the public has access.

#### **New Trees**

#### 5.1.14 Objectives for new trees are to:

- introduce a management regime that allows new trees to become established;
- maintain to provide initial height and structure through inclusion of tall native species, such as oak;
- maintain new tree planting to create a strong landscape framework to the Project Site and define the boundary with publicly accessible locations;
- provide a screen to specific areas of the site;
- undertake periodic selective tree removal where fast growing trees have fulfilled their design objectives and are outgrowing their space;
- provide a valuable wildlife habitat through the planting of indigenous species;
- create green corridors, enabling movement of wildlife across the site;
- increase foraging and commuting opportunities for bats through the inclusion of species supporting high insect biomass such as small-leaved lime and pedunculate oak;
- maintain and enhance the value of the site for nesting and foraging birds;
- ensure trees have sound branch structures, allowing each tree to become an individual specimen or contribute to a tree group in accordance with the design intentions; and
- provide a varied age structure to give continuity of tree cover for the future.



## **Existing Hedgerows**

#### 5.1.15 Management objectives are to:

- maintain hedgerows with standard trees;
- allow hedgerows to grow to/be managed at 3-5m in height to provide robust, bushy wildlife corridors;
- establish rotational management of hedgerows by coppicing or trimming to thicken up and prevent hedgerows becoming overgrown;
- retain/re-establish unbroken lengths of hedgerow through interplanting;
- maintain and enhance the ecological value of hedgerows;
- maintain and enhance hedgerows as wildlife corridors for invertebrates, birds, bats and other mammals;
- maintain at an appropriate height where a screen or definition of space is required;
- maintain a suitable species diversity and remove/control invasive species; and
- develop and maintain a diverse ground flora.

### **New Hedgerows**

### 5.1.16 Objectives for new hedgerows are to:

- reflect native hedgerow species composition;
- create species-rich continuous hedgerows to reflect the hedgerow pattern of the local area;
- introduce a management regime that allows new hedgerows to become established;
- maintain hedgerows in a manner which prevents them becoming overgrown or leggy and at a height which responds to the design intention;
- provide a wildlife habitat through the use of a range of native species; and
- connect with existing areas of scrub and trees, providing green corridors through the site to facilitate the movement of wildlife.

#### **Ponds and Scrapes**

#### 5.1.17 The objectives for ponds and scrapes are to:



- create habitats of value to breeding and foraging birds, amphibians, aquatic invertebrates and small mammals;
- provide appropriate safety features near deep water;
- create a sunny aspect to wetlands to prevent overshadowing by tall vegetation and maximise the wildlife potential;
- adopt management techniques that allow invertebrates to remain on site following pond clearance; and
- maintain a range of water depths, with shallow sloping sides.

# **Public Rights of Way/Footpaths**

- 5.1.18 Objectives for public rights of way and footpaths are to:
  - maintain unobstructed routes; and
  - obtain relevant notifications from the local authority for temporary footpath closures and provide alternative safe temporary access arrangements.

## Scrub and grassland

- 5.1.19 Objectives for scrub and grassland is to:
  - create areas of long grass with flower colour;
  - maintain and enhance the value of the site for butterflies and other terrestrial invertebrates, through inclusion of appropriate species;
  - maintain and enhance the value of the wildflower areas for slow-worms by cutting no lower than 150 mm;
  - maintain and enhance the value of the site as feeding areas for birds through the inclusion of species attractive to moths and other invertebrates;
  - maintain and enhance the value of the site for small mammals through cutting no lower than 150 mm; this will provide a foraging resource for birds of prey; and
  - create foraging terrestrial habitat for great crested newts.



## **Annual Maintenance Operations**

#### Generally

- 5.1.20 The management regime is described below in terms of the scope and frequency of annual maintenance operations. These are relevant throughout the whole management period, and particularly in years 1-5 during the establishment of woody and herbaceous plant material.
- 5.1.21 A health and safety method statement will be agreed between the Project developer and contractor regarding the types of maintenance machinery and chemicals to be used on-site.
- 5.1.22 Should any new construction works be required on-site, or additional services be installed, new and original vegetation is to be protected as set out in paragraphs 5.1.1 5.1.2.
- 5.1.23 The timing of tree and hedgerow works will comply with paragraphs 4.1.14 and 5.1.5.
- 5.1.24 All tree works will be undertaken by a qualified arboriculturalist or tree surgeon. Works are to comply with BS3998 and HSE Forestry and Arboricultural safety leaflets. Trees are to be left with a well-balanced shape and natural appearance. Chainsaw operatives must hold a certificate of competence. Chain or hand saw wounds will be as small as possible, cutting back to sound wood leaving a smooth surface, angled to shed the water and avoiding bark tears.

#### Planted Woodland / mature trees

- 5.1.25 In order to ensure longevity of trees in good condition and prevent potential instability as a result of severed roots, no compaction, excavation, digging of service trenches, or level changes are to take place within a zone extending from a tree trunk to at least 2 m beyond the outer edge of the tree canopy (for deciduous trees) or an area with a radius of half the trees height measured from the trunk (for evergreen varieties). These dimensions are relevant where root protection areas (RPA) have not been established as part of a recent (within 3 years) arboricultural survey. Where such a survey has been undertaken, the dimensions provided by the arboriculturalist are to be used. Within woodlands, RPAs are likely to be continuous.
- 5.1.26 Outside RPAs described above, tree roots over 50 mm diameter will not be cut. Where cutting takes place, it will by means of a smooth cut with a hand saw, followed by backfilling over tree roots with original topsoil.
- 5.1.27 Inspections will be carried out at 12-15 month intervals to note any:
  - major deadwood that needs to be removed from crowns;
  - split or damaged branches, storm damage, hung-up limbs, and jagged or open wounds that require tidying;



- forks, cavities and major defects that could result in structural failure, cavities, cracks or bark wounds at the base of trees, together with bracket fungus. An arboriculturalist will probe cavities as required to determine the course of action;
- basal suckers or epicormic growth that require removal from the main trunk;
- poor quality trees with structural defects, such as forked trunks that may require pruning or felling; and
- areas of disease.
- 5.1.28 Ivy on tree trunks will be retained, except where it needs to be removed to facilitate inspection of trees or where it has become extensive and could result in a tree falling in high winds.
- 5.1.29 Removal of litter and fly-tipped material will be carried out four times a year.

#### **New Structure Planting**

- 5.1.30 Operations will ensure:
  - dead, dying and diseased wood and suckers will be removed annually to promote healthy growth, a natural shape and to avoid health and safety concerns;
  - dead, missing, dying or defective plants will be replaced annually for the first 5 years after implementation;
  - all tree stakes, ties and guards will be adjusted/replaced/removed as required until anchorage has been achieved. This will be done biannually;
  - rabbit/deer protection will be maintained until no longer needed. This will be checked four times a year;
  - weed-free ground will be maintained with the use of translocated, non-residual herbicides, until the canopy closes, in order to avoid competition for water and nutrients. This will be done eight times a year, reducing to three times a year when the canopy is closed;
  - a slow release fertiliser will be spread annually in early March in the first three years after planting or replanting after defects replacements;
  - litter and fly-tipped material will be removed four times a year;
  - plants overhanging roads or paths or starting to encroach onto public footpaths will be trimmed back annually;
  - bramble or other invasive weeds will be removed through the use of herbicides and/or by digging up;



- self-sown trees will be removed annually by digging up or use of suitable herbicides;
- plants will be watered in dry weather in the initial 3-year establishment period.
   Watering will be carried out twice a week to field capacity. Beyond the establishment period, watering will be in times of drought;
- pruning will take place annually to avoid obstruction of sightlines, visibility splays, traffic signs and access points; and
- formative pruning of young trees annually.

### 5.1.31 Management operations will ensure:

- root protection zones are identified by an arboriculturalist where construction or service trenching is anticipated. To ensure longevity of trees in good condition, and ensure no potential instability as a result of severed roots, no compaction, excavation, digging of service trenches, or level changes are to take place within the root protection zones established as part of a recent (within 3 years) arboricultural survey;
- no fertilisers or pesticides will be spread near roots or trunks of trees; and
- litter and fly-tipped material will be removed four times a year.

#### **New Trees**

#### 5.1.32 Operations will ensure:

- new plantings provide a diversity of species, varied height and structure;
- dead, dying and diseased wood and suckers will be removed annually to promote healthy growth, a natural shape and to avoid health and safety concerns;
- dead, missing, dying or defective plants will be replaced annually for the first 5 years after implementation;
- all tree stakes, ties and guards will be adjusted/replaced/removed as required until anchorage has been achieved. This will be done biannually;
- rabbit/deer protection will be maintained until no longer needed. This will be checked four times a year;
- new trees are protected from livestock browsing. This will be checked four times a year;
- weed-free ground will be maintained with the use of translocated, non-residual herbicides, until the canopy closes, in order to avoid competition for water and



nutrients. This will be done eight times a year, reducing to three times a year when the canopy is closed;

- a slow release fertiliser will be spread annually in early March in the first three years after planting or replanting after defects replacements;
- plants will be watered in dry weather in the initial 3-year establishment period.
   Watering will be carried out twice a week to field capacity. Beyond the establishment period, watering will be in times of drought;
- trees are maintained upright and adjustments will be made following strong winds; and
- formative pruning will be carried out.

## **Mature Hedgerows**

#### 5.1.33 Objectives in relation to mature hedgerows are to:

- thin trees to centres no closer than 6 m, retaining the best quality specimens to grow on as standards within the hedge;
- trim sides to within 1.0m of the main stems and tops to 3-5m on a 3-year rotational basis across the site. Where possible, leave one side of each hedgerow uncut each year. This will maintain a resource of flowering and fruiting plants across the site and create nesting and foraging habitat for wildlife;
- cut ground flora at the base of hedges on a 3-year rotation to 150 mm height, with arisings removed. This is to maximise the value of the habitat for overwintering and foraging insects, and prevent scrub establishment. Cutting is to take place in October/November.

### **New Hedgerows**

#### 5.1.34 Maintenance operations will ensure:

- the base of hedges will be kept weed-free manually or by applications of a translocated non-residual herbicide. This will be done eight times a year. Maintenance input will reduce after Year 5, when continuous hedgerows should be achieved. Weeding, watering, fertiliser applications and topping up the mulch are key to achieving successful establishment;
- litter and fly-tipped material will be removed four times a year;
- plants will be watered in dry weather in the initial 3-year establishment period.
   Watering will be carried out twice a week to field capacity. Beyond the establishment period, watering will be in times of drought;



- composted woodbark mulch will be topped up annually to 75mm depth for the first 3 years after implementation to suppress weeds and retain moisture;
- rabbit/deer protection will be retained/replaced until no longer needed. This is to be checked four times a year;
- a slow release fertiliser will be applied annually in March;
- all bamboo canes or tree stakes will be adjusted/replaced/removed as necessary once plants are anchored. This will be carried out four times a year;
- plants will remain upright. Any adjustments will be made four times a year;
- plants will be pruned annually to remove any dead, lying or diseased wood and suckers to promote healthy growth and a natural shape;
- dead, dying, defective or missing plants will be replaced annually for the first five years after planting; and
- once established, hedgerows will be cut to 3-5m in height. Sides will be cut back to within 1.0m of the main stems to create bases that are wider than the top of the hedgerows. This will be carried out between November and mid-February using a reciprocating blade cutter, not a flail. It will take place annually on a 3-year rotation, with one third of hedgerows being pruned each year. Individual trees will be allowed to grown on. Management operations will ensure:
- rubbish, vegetation and litter will be removed, including adjacent to any pipes, overflows or grates. This will be done biannually;
- marginals and aquatics will be allowed to find their own equilibrium, and this is dependent upon unpredictable water levels;
- dead foliage/flower stems will be cut down annually in early autumn;
- vegetation removed from drainage/water features will be left on the sides for 48 hours for invertebrates to crawl back into the pond, and then removed;
- wildflower areas or grass above the waterline will be cut as set out above.
   Reseeding will not take place where grass/wildflowers have died out due to regular water inundation; and
- a more open aspect to ditches will be created to reduce overshadowing and promote the Periodic Management Operations.
- 5.1.35 In addition, other operations will be required intermittently; notably, pruning, woodland thinning and coppicing. Approximate years when these are required have been set out, although regular site monitoring will be required to respond to unpredictable events, poor plant establishment rates, extreme weather, etc.



- 5.1.36 A health and safety method statement will be agreed between the client and contractor regarding the types of maintenance machinery and chemicals to be used on-site.
- 5.1.37 Should any new construction works be required on-site, or additional services be installed, new and original vegetation is to be protected as set out in paragraphs 5.1.1 5.1.2.
- 5.1.38 The timing of tree, hedgerow and ditch clearance works will comply with paragraph 4.1.14 and 5.1.5.
- 5.1.39 Where woodland thinning involves trees with a stem diameter over 100 mm, a felling licence is required where more than 5 m³ of timber is felled per calendar quarter provided that no more than 2 m³ is sold. To avoid felling licences, felling should be undertaken quarterly over a number of years, with priority areas tackled first.

Vegetation type and management options	Yea	ars
Woodland/Structure Planting:	2-5	6-9
Arboricultural inspections will identify:		
pruning required adjacent to overhead power cables.		*
periodic selective tree thinning to remove poorer, misshapen specimens to provide space for remaining trees to grow on. Long-lived trees, such as oak, will be retained at the expense of short-lived varieties. Mature and overmature specimens will be retained as veterans. Formative pruning will be undertaken to retained trees. Some standing deadwood will be retained for wildlife, providing it poses no health and safety risks. Thinning will ensure that remaining canopies are not touching. Anticipated centres are 5m after Years 6-9; 8m at Years 15-20 and 8-10m at Year 25 for new structure planting. Cut stumps will be treated to stop regeneration.		*
removal/pruning of tree limbs that pose a health and safety hazard.	*	*
selective removal of non-native tree species such as sycamore and horse chestnut in order to change long-term species composition.		*
raising tree canopies to 6m above the access road.	*	
coppicing the shrub layer to 300mm in height over a period of three winters, removing one third each year. The objective is to rejuvenate growth and prevent legginess. Anticipated timing for new structure planting is Years 6-9, Years 13-15 and years 19-22. Retain edge species to maintain woodland edge.		*
remove tree guards when no longer needed.		*
increase the proportion of native young growth, native tree/shrub species and natural/assisted regeneration in Year 5 onwards by:	*	
selected coppicing of hazel, for structural and habitat diversity;		
annually collecting seed from native species, which will be grown on and used for new underplanting within clearance areas;		



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Vegetation type and management options	Years	
Woodland/Structure Planting:	2-5	6-9
regeneration will be monitored with reference to browsing and regeneration of understorey species; and		
pest damage will be monitored and a response made if this reaches unacceptable levels.		
Mature and New Trees:		
Arboricultural inspections will identify:	*	*
crown reduction required to mature trees.		
raising canopies to 6m above roads.		
pollarding of willows every 5 years.		
canopy thinning to minimise potential gale damage.		
the need to thin congested trees.		
pruning to ensure lighting/CCTV cameras are not obstructed.		



Vegetation type and management options	Years	
Ponds and Ditches	2-5	6-9
Inspections will identify:		
ensure marginals and aquatics do not cover more than two thirds of the surface area of water. Periodic thinning will be required depending on the speed of colonisation.		
discarded vegetation will be left on the banks for 48 hours to allow mobile invertebrates to re-enter the water, then be removed.		*
periodic thinning of wetland plants/aquatics is required every 5-7 years to original planting centres. Rejuvenate plants by discarding old roots and rhizomes.	*	*
dredge ditches once 300mm of silt has accumulated.		*
periodic measurement of siltation will be carried out as part of the monitoring of the pond/ditch. The minimum desilting will be undertaken in order to promote good aquatic communities, whilst retaining the operational functions of ditches/rhynes. Marginal vegetation should be left untouched and the operation should be carried out from one bank only.	*	
silt will be removed from the bed of the ditches over their entire length, but 'pockets' of silt will be retained in specified areas, where this would not restrict flow or compromise flood defence. Desilting will progress in an upstream direction to aid rapid recolonisation of the desilted and disturbed substrate. It is envisaged that desilting will take place on a 10-15 year rotation		*
desilting will be preceded by a water vole survey, to ensure compliance with the law.		*
control of bankside vegetation and emergent and submerged weeds:	*	
control of emergent and submerged weeds will follow the Environment Agency's best practice guidance set out in 'Aquatic Weed Control Operation' (1998). The frequency will depend upon the extent of weed growth found in-channel. However, it is envisaged that weed control from alternate sides will be carried out on a 3-5 year rotation, in September/October.	*	
deposition of materials will follow the Environment Agency's best practice guidance set out in 'Disposal of Cut Vegetation' (1999). Submerged vegetation removed from the watercourse will be deposited on the top of the banks for a 48-hour period, to enable mobile aquatic species to return to the water. The material will be deposited away from any sensitive areas so, for example, the valuable plant communities are not smothered.	*	*



# 6 Delivery Mechanism

#### Construction

6.1.1 Mitigation will be implemented in accordance with the contract of works with the Project developer and is implemented through a requirement attached to the DCO. (Requirement 3). Implementation of the CEMP and the other measures during construction will be the responsibility of the Project developer.

# **Operation**

6.1.2 During operation, two mitigation measures are proposed: a lighting scheme to reduce disturbance from operational lighting and a drainage design to avoid pollution of waterbodies. These will be secured as Requirements attached to the DCO (Requirements 14 and 7 respectively). Both will provide for ongoing maintenance activities and will be implemented by the site staff operating on site at the time. Please note that should great crested newts be found, additional measures may be required during operation.



# Appendix 1 Plant Schedule

#### **Woodland Mix: 2m Centres**

20% Acer campestre (Field maple)

20% Betula pendula (birch)

20% Corylus avellana (hazel)

20% Crataegus monogyna (hawthorn)

20% Quercus robur (oak)

#### **Hedgerows: Easement Mix**

35% Prunus spinosa (blackthorn)

65% Crataegus monogyna (hawthorn)

#### **Hedgerows: General Mix**

15% Acer campestre (Field maple)

15% Corylus avellana (hazel)

45% Crataegus monogyna (hawthorn)

5% Prunus spinosa (blackthorn)

15% Sambucus nigra (Common elder)

#### **Standard Trees**

Quercus robur (oak)

Acer campestre (Field maple)

#### Scrub

Prunus spinosa (blackthorn)

Rubus fruticosa (bramble)

Crataegus monogyna (hawthorn)

#### **Grassland seeding**

Meadow Mix - Grasses

15% Red fescue Festuca rubra

20% Cock's-foot Dactylis glomerata

20% Meadow foxtail Alopecurus pratensis

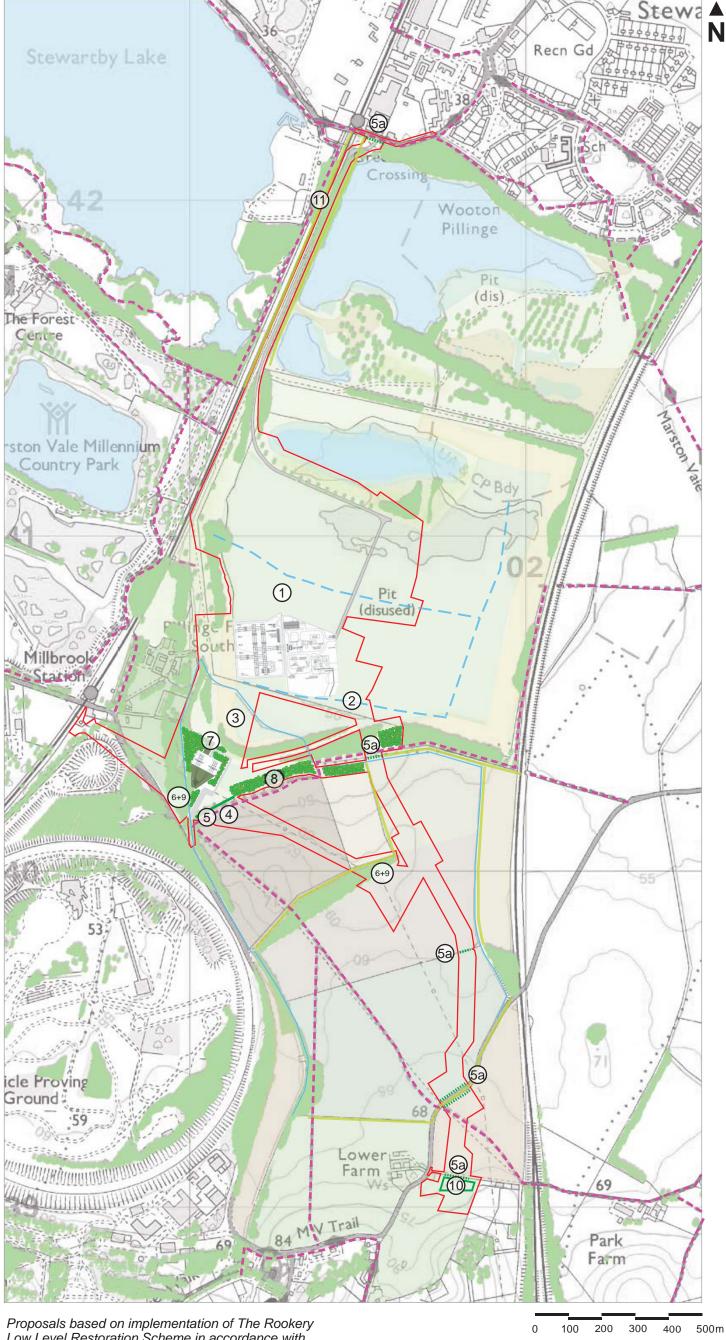
15% Tufted hair-grass Deschampsia cespitosa

10% Meadow fescue Festuca pratensis

10% Yorkshire Fog Holcus lanatus



# Appendix 2 Landscape & Ecology Strategy Plan



Low Level Restoration Scheme in accordance with WYG drawing 8.7, May 2009

Amendment to site layout & planting

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#### LEGEND:

**Project Site** Existing woodland Proposed woodland belt Existing hedgerow Proposed hedgerow Replacement hedgerow Proposed scrub and grass matrix Existing watercourse Realigned watercourse Public right of way

Site access road

#### NOTES:

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- 2. LLRS drainage ditch to be re-aligned south of Generating Equipment and Substation and adjacent landform re-profiled.
- 3.Location of the ponds to be determined through consultation prior to construction.
- 4. Footpath retained on existing line.
- 5. Proposed hedgerow planted with hawthorn and blackthorn across easement where appropriate, in accordance with current guidance.
- 5a. Hedgerow replanted with hawthorn and blackthorn across easement in accordance with current guidance.
- 6. Any existing woodland lost to electrical connection work following installation to be replanted with appropriate native species.
- 7. Scrub and grassland matrix.
- 8. Proposed belts of woodland planting linking to existing plantations to filter views from the south and south-east.
- 9. Retained existing woodland protected during construction. Area lost to development to be replanted in accordance with restrictions.
- 10. Proposed hedgerow planted around Above Ground Installation.
- 11. Existing hedgerows retained as important bat corridor. Any lengths of hedgerow lost to be replanted with appropriate native species.

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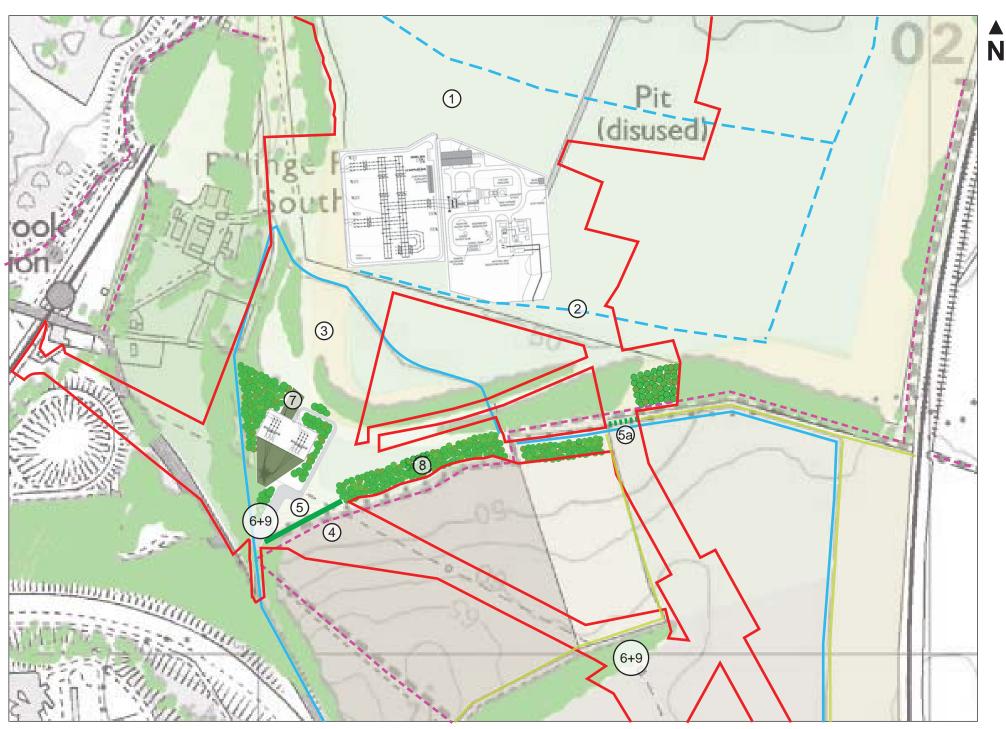
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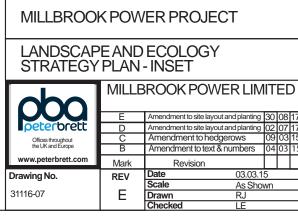
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Site access road

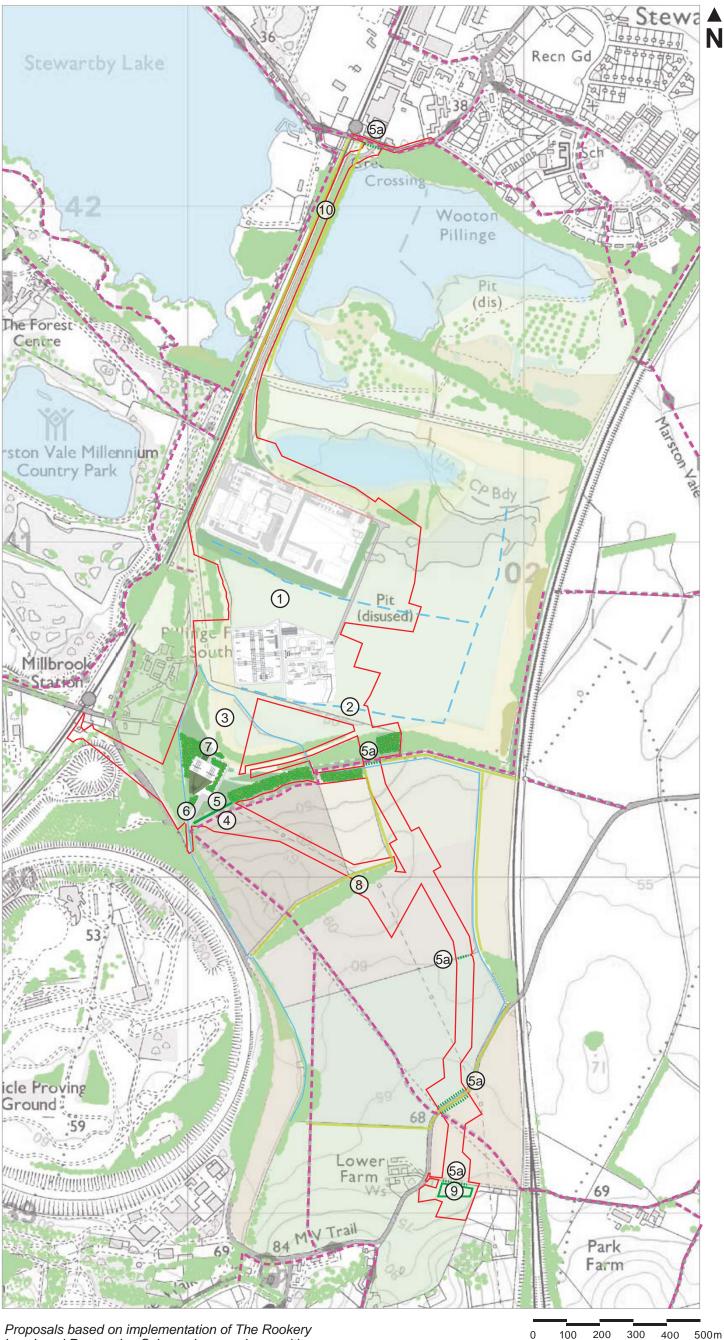




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# Appendix 3 Landscape & Ecology Strategy Plan with Covanta



Proposals based on implementation of The Rookery Low Level Restoration Scheme in accordance with WYG drawing 8.7, May 2009 and Covanta planting in accordance with TerraQuest drawing MPL Works Plan Key Plan v0.7, January 2015.

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LEGEND:

Project Site

Existing woodland

Proposed woodland belt

Existing hedgerow

Proposed hedgerow

Replacement hedgerow

Proposed scrub and grass matrix

Existing watercourse

Realigned watercourse

Public right of way

Site access road

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- 7. Scrub and grassland matrix.
- 8. Existing woodland protected during construction. Area lost to development to be replanted in accordance with restrictions.
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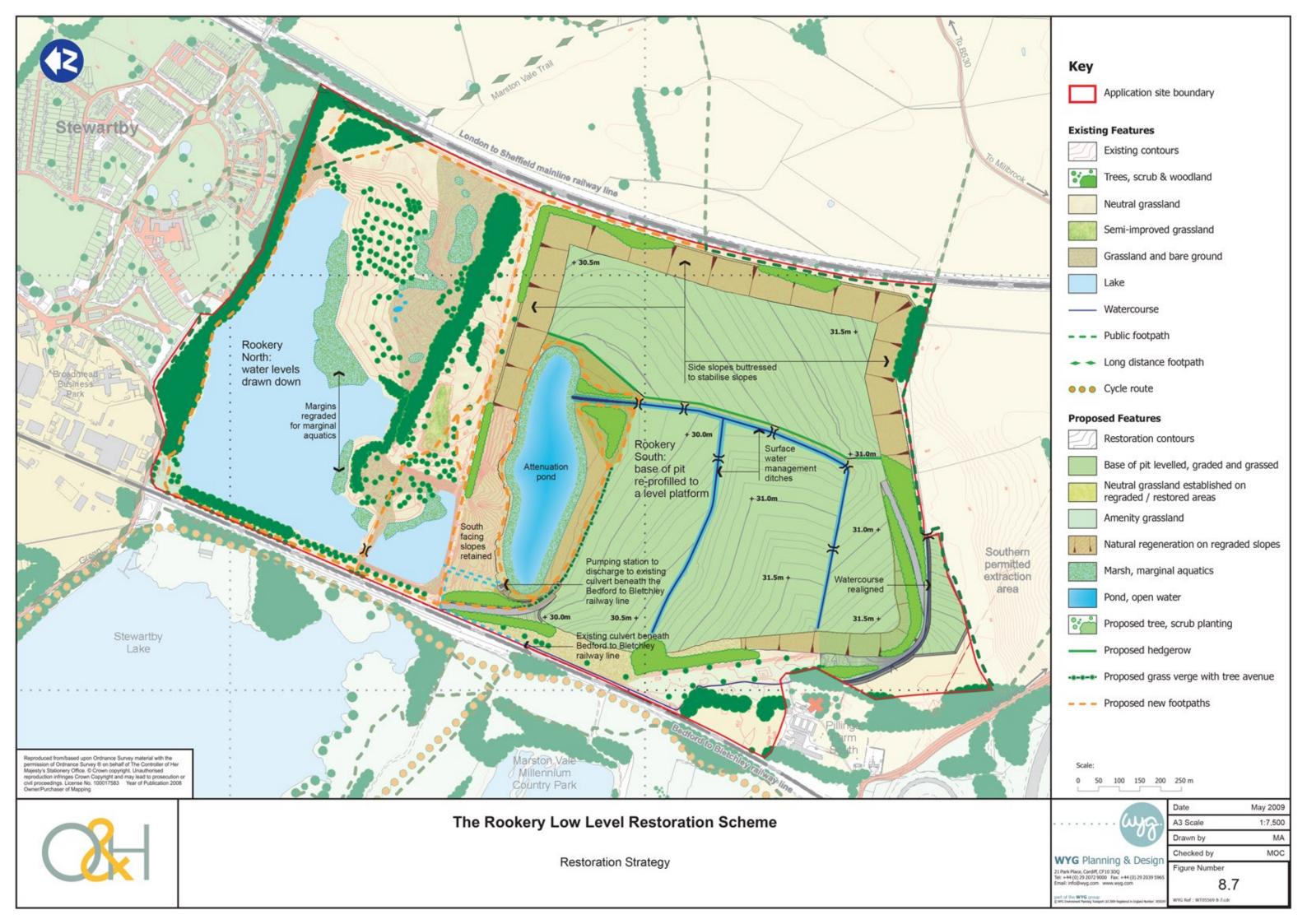
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### **Appendix 4** Low Level Restoration Scheme





### **Appendix 5** Location of Existing Ponds

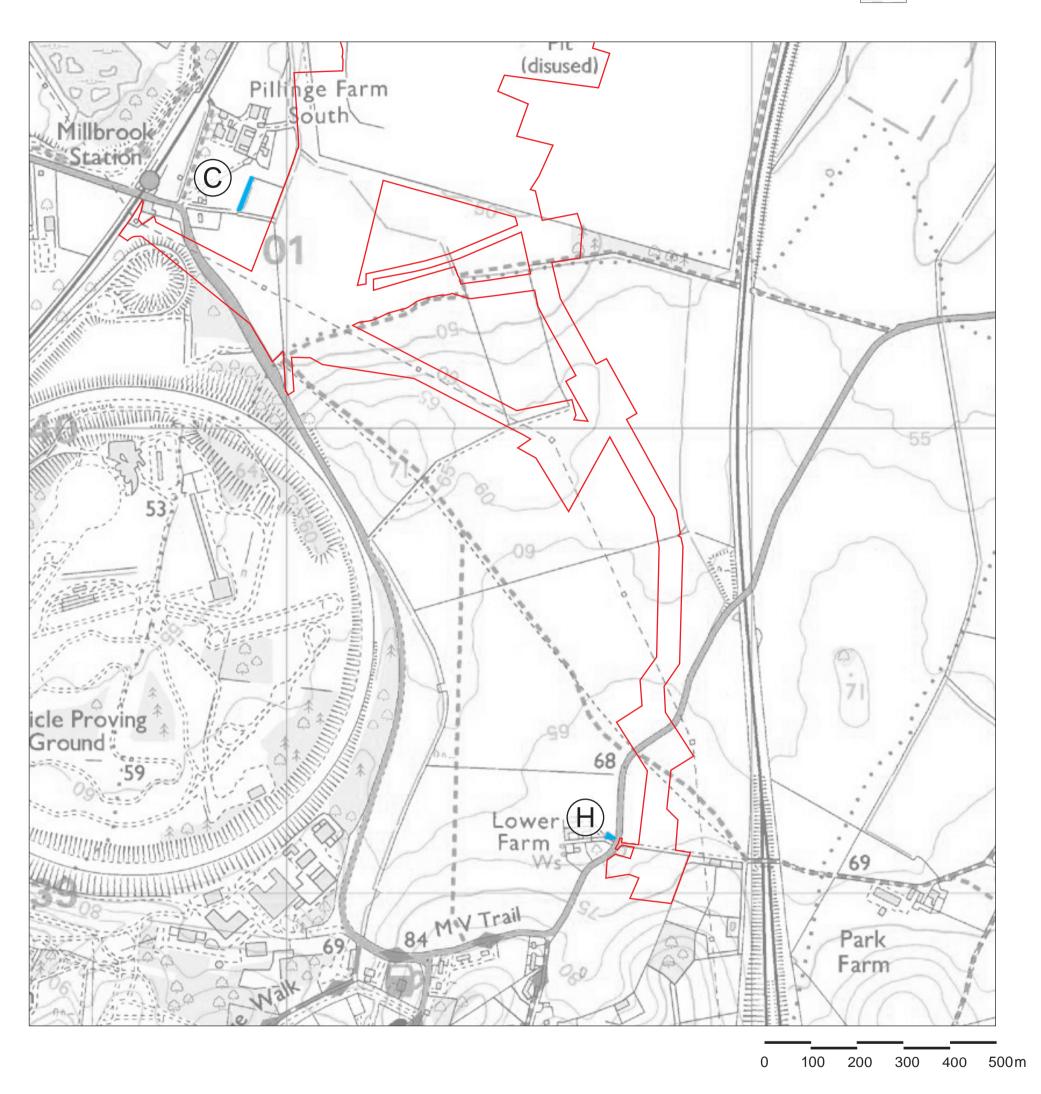
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Project Site



Existing pond



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## 11.3 - Outline Lighting Strategy

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INDICATIVE LIGHTING LEVELS AND EQUIPMENT

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### **ABBREVIATIONS**

#### **ABBREVIATION DESCRIPTION** CCTV Closed circuit television hrs Hours Κ Kelvin (unit of temperature) lux Unit of illuminance Minutes min Miles per hour mph Ra Colour rendering index SCGT Simple cycle gas turbine W Watt (unit of power)

## 1 INTRODUCTION

1.1.1 The statement sets out the lighting concept for the operation of the Millbrook Power Project.

Lighting measures to minimise the adverse effect of artificial lighting during construction are set out in the Outline Construction and Environmental Management Plant (CEMP).

## 2 DESIGN PHILOSOPHY

- 2.1.1 The overarching philosophy underpinning the design of the lighting for the Project is, as far as possible, to maintain a 'dark' site. Only critical light sources, such as emergency exit illumination and security lighting at low level, will remain on during the night.
- 2.1.2 For the Generating Equipment Site a curfew will be implemented for all non-critical lighting from 23.00 to 05.00 hrs to reduce the impact of the development on the local environment. This means that all non-critical lighting will be switched off during these hours via a time clock. Routes and entrances not in constant use will be controlled via a movement detector or manual switch, ensuring that lighting in these areas will be switched off the vast majority of the time.
- 2.1.3 External lighting for the Substation and Above Ground Installation (AGI) will only be required for routine and unplanned maintenance activity. The need for external lighting within the Above Ground Installation and Substation will be infrequent. Infrared floodlighting and CCTV systems will be used for security purposes.
- 2.1.4 Internal lighting will be required within buildings for occupational and operational requirements, though appropriate measures will be included for reducing light spill.
- 2.1.5 The level of lighting within open compounds will be sufficient to allow the safe movement of pedestrians and vehicles (using their headlights) about the compound in areas that they might reasonably be expected to negotiate at night. It is not intended to facilitate planned or unplanned maintenance activities for which additional localised portable equipment will be required.
- 2.1.6 All luminaires will have the necessary optical control and be appropriately aimed to completely omit direct upward light emission. Luminaires shall also be positioned and aimed so that so that peak light intensities from any fitting do not unintentionally illuminate any building or structural façade.
- 2.1.7 The lighting design for the operation of the Generating Equipment will be developed to comply with the Institution of Lighting Engineers publication: Guidance Notes for the Reduction of Obtrusive Light: a recognised best practice guide for the reduction of light pollution.
- 2.1.8 The lighting design for the National Grid substation will be developed to comply with Civil, Structural and Building Engineering Design Handbook, DH10 issue 4.
- 2.1.9 The lighting design for the AGI will be developed to comply with National Grid standard T/PM/EL/1.
- 2.1.10 The main drivers for the design are;
  - → The health and safety of employees and visitors performing normal working duties.

- → The safe movement of vehicular and pedestrian traffic around the Project Site during the hours of darkness.
- → To minimise light pollution in terms of light trespass, sky glow and glare.
- → The security of the Project Site and its occupants including lighting suitable for the correct functioning of the preferred CCTV system

# 3 EXTERNAL LIGHTING BY AREA

- 3.1.1 For the purposes of this indicative lighting design, the Project site has been split into six zones.
  - Zone 1: Generating Equipment Site internal roads (excluding the national grid substation)
  - Zone 2: Comprising the gas turbine generator area, including the generator step-up transformer and fin fan coolers;
  - Zone 3: Comprising the gas receiving facility within the power generation plant;
  - Zone 4: Comprising water tanks and emergency diesel generator;
  - Zone 5: Comprising the national grid substation
  - Zone 6: Above Ground Installation (AGI)
- 3.1.2 Please note the Access Road will not be illuminated.

#### 3.2 ZONE 1: SITE ROADS AND CAR PARKING

3.2.1 The site internal roads will be lit by column mounted road luminaires. The overall lantern mounting height will be at 6 m. The critical road lighting will operate during the hours of darkness using a timeclock or photocell.

#### 3.3 ZONE 2: GAS TURBINE GENERATOR AREA

- 3.3.1 The gas turbine generator will be lit by building mounted equipment. The lighting will be provided by flood lights. The lighting in this area will be group switched from the control room so the lighting is operated only when required.
- 3.3.2 Where required column mounted equipment at 8m above the working plane will also be used.
- 3.3.3 The road lighting also contributes to the illumination in Zone 2.

#### 3.4 ZONES 3 AND 4 – OPEN AREAS

- 3.4.1 Lighting of open areas such as the water tank area and gas receiving facility will use column mounted equipment at 8m above the working plane.
- The lighting in this area will be group switched from the control room so the lighting is operated only when required.
- 3.4.3 Where equipment is mounted on columns, the columns will be hinged to be lowered for maintenance purposes.

### 3.5 ZONE 5 – NATIONAL GRID SUBSTATION

3.5.1 Lighting of the substation compound will use column mounted equipment at 8m above the working plane. The lighting design will be developed to comply with National Grid's design guidelines. The lighting in this area will be group switched from the substation control room so the lighting is operated only when required.

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### 3.6 AGI

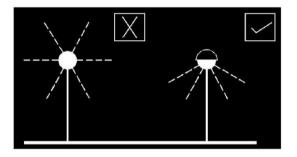
3.6.1 The lighting of the AGI will use column mounted equipment at 8m above the working plane. The lighting design will be developed to comply with National Grid standard T/PM/EL/1. The lighting in this area will be operated via a manual switch so the lighting is operated only when required.

## 4 LIGHTING EQUIPMENT

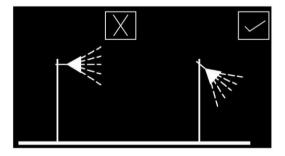
- 4.1.1 All luminaires used are designed to minimise upward light spill and are adjustable in elevation to allow for re-alignment so that light can be directed to avoid light spill above the horizontal.
- 4.1.2 Luminaires will employ high efficiency integral control gear to minimise circuit parasitic power losses and, where appropriate, will be controlled by a site wide lighting control system to minimise waste light output.
- 4.1.3 All external luminaires will be ingress protected to a minimum standard of IP44 and will be chosen to suit any hazardous areas as identified during detailed design.

#### 4.2 GENERIC EQUIPMENT AND INSTALLATION

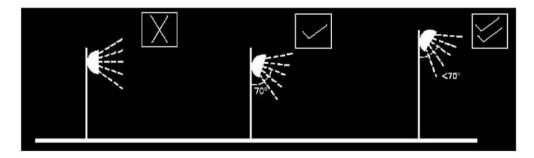
4.2.1 Lighting buildings will have a significant impact on the level of light spill produced. Equally important is the choice of lighting equipment and lighting techniques. This general guidance will be followed when selecting equipment and lighting techniques.



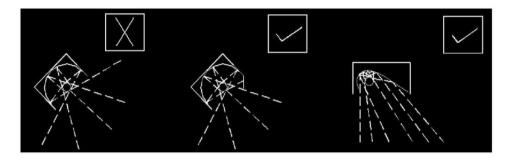
Fixed head lanterns will not emit any direct light above horizontal



Movable luminaries will be tilted so that no light is being emitted above horizontal



Lantern heights will be increased where feasible to reduce tilt angles



Quality luminaire optics will be used which accurately control light distribution and do not spill light into the atmosphere

# 5 LIGHTING CONTROL

- 5.1.1 External lighting control will form part of the overall lighting control system. Operators will have the ability to override any lighting circuit and, where appropriate, individual luminaires from the Control Room. The general lighting control philosophy is for the lighting to be controlled by a combination of time clock and photocell arrangements with additional local control for open compound lighting, perimeter lighting around buildings and external stairs and platforms with automatic delayed off controls where appropriate. The use of digital dimming will be considered to further reduce energy consumption.
- The site internal road lighting will be controlled using a timeclock or photocell to restrict operation to the hours of darkness. Other site lighting will be controlled using group switching from the control room and only used when required for tasks in that area to avoid unnecessary light emission.
- 5.1.3 It is noted that this site may be unmanned and therefore road and site lighting may not be required at all times. The final lighting scheme will consider the planned operation of the site and will reduce the amount of lighting as appropriate for an unmanned site.