

KEY PLAN

LANDSCAPE CHARACTER ZONE 1:	
Key Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large scale arable fields • Public footpaths with open views across the site towards the settlement edges and M2 corridor • Lidsing Road a narrow meandering lane with ditches either side and open views across LCZ • Traffic along Lidsing Road and views towards the settlement edges and M2 corridor are detractors in the landscape.
Landscape Character Sensitivity	<p>Moderate to Low: The landscape is reasonably managed and of average quality- its condition is assessed as moderate. It has a recognisable pattern, but does have some incongruous elements that detract from the intactness of the area and reduces the sense of place and any sense of tranquillity.</p>
Visual Sensitivity	<p>Moderate to High: Openly visible from public footpaths and roads and settlement the edges of Lordswood and Hempstead.</p>
Landscape Value	<p>Moderate: Un-designated and undistinguished but has some redeeming features which are valued by local residents who use the public footpaths which cross it for recreation. LCZ1 makes no notable contribution to the setting of the AONB as there are limited views to and from it and it displays no notable key characteristics of the AONB land.</p>
Landscape Capacity	<p>Moderate: Overall the LCZ has a moderate landscape sensitivity. The components and qualities of the LCZ could be moderately affected and the Site has a medium ability to accommodate the proposed change from open arable land to housing.</p>
Recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide appropriate green settings for retained public rights of way • Restore hedged boundaries to roads and other highways • Restore a smaller-scale framework to the landscape by introducing green and blue corridors; • Improve the extended settlement edge for views from the north; • Consider appropriate building heights and a built form which is responsive and appropriate to the existing and approved residential uses. • Maintain enclosed setting to Love Lane to the east.

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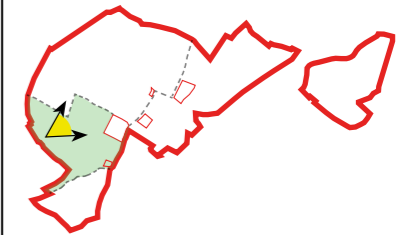
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LANDSCAPE CHARACTER ZONE 2:	
Key Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small to medium scale field pattern; • Mature hedgerows divide fields; • Public footpaths and bridleway connect Lordswood to Lidsing; • Two areas of Ancient Woodland to western boundaries provides sense of enclosure to Lordswood settlement edge; • Detractors include occasional areas of tipping, overhead telegraph cables and views towards employment uses at Elms Court.
Landscape Character Sensitivity	<p>Moderate: The landscape is reasonably managed and of average quality- its condition is assessed as moderate. It has a recognisable pattern, with some incongruous elements that detract from the intactness of the area. It has a moderate sense of place and tranquillity due to its enclosed setting.</p>
Visual Sensitivity	<p>Low: The zone of visual influence is contained by the mature boundaries. There are open views from public footpaths crossing the landscape, however limited views from private residential properties.</p>
Landscape Value	<p>Moderate: Undesignated and undistinguished but has some redeeming features which are valued by local residents who use the public footpaths which cross it for recreation. LCZ2 makes no notable contribution to the setting of the AONB as there are limited views to and from it and it displays no notable key characteristics of the AONB land.</p>
Landscape Capacity	<p>Moderate: Overall the LCZ has a moderate landscape sensitivity. The components and qualities of the LCZ could be moderately affected and the Site has a medium ability to accommodate the proposed change from open arable land to housing .</p>
Recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retain woodland and hedgerows as mature framework for development; • Divert rights of way to align with green corridors formed by hedgerows and woodland; • Consider appropriate building heights and a built form which is responsive to the enclosed field pattern; • Enhance woodland areas for amenity and wildlife value.

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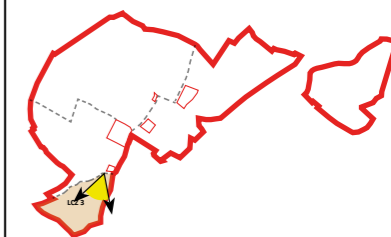


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LANDSCAPE CHARACTER ZONE 3:	
Key Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medium scale field pattern; • No hedgerows between fields or along Westfield Sole Road; • Ancient Woodland to south west; • Abuts M2 corridor and employment at Lidsing Road; • No public access; • Detractors include overhead telegraph cables, mast at adjacent employment site and noise of traffic from M2.
Landscape Character Sensitivity	<p>Moderate to Low: The landscape is reasonably managed and of average quality- its condition is assessed as moderate. It has a recognisable pattern, but does have some incongruous elements that detract from the intactness of the area and reduces the sense of place and any sense of tranquillity. Detractors include the overhead telegraph poles, the noise from the M2 corridor , views to the M2 roadbridge, the degraded roadside and field hedgerows, fly-tipping, security fencing and tall structures associated with the employment site at Lidsing Road. Positive features are limited to the adjacent Ancient Woodland along the south western edge.</p>
Visual Sensitivity	<p>Moderate to Low: The zone of visual influence is contained by the mature boundaries. Openly visible from M2 overpass and Westfield Sole Road. Limited views from sensitive visual receptors.</p>
Landscape Value	<p>Moderate: Undesignated and undistinguished with limited redeeming features which are valued locally. LCZ3 is visible from the edge of the Kent Downs AONB at the M2 road bridge. It does not display any notable key characteristics of the AONB land and makes a limited contribution to the AONB's setting.</p>
Landscape Capacity	<p>Moderate: Overall the LCZ has a moderate landscape sensitivity. The components and qualities of the LCZ could be moderately affected and the Site has a medium ability to accommodate the proposed change from open arable land to new housing.</p>
Recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide appropriate green settings for retained public rights of way • Provide structure planting as buffer to existing employment uses and M2 corridor; • Provide enhanced connectivity from PROWs at Lordswood to AONB south of M2; • Identify opportunities to reinstate historic elements such as woodland shaws to the south; • Reinststate historic field boundaries to form the basis of a landscape structure to the new development.

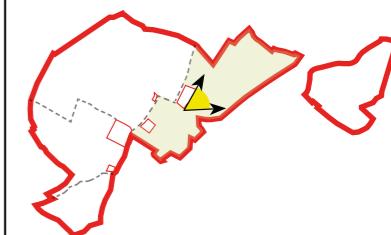
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LANDSCAPE CHARACTER ZONE 4:	
Key Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medium scale field pattern; • Abuts M2 corridor; • Limited hedgerows to internal field boundaries; • Woodland and hedgerows to wider boundaries; • Chapel Lane - an enclosed public footpath connecting to north; • Public footpaths and road bridges provide connections to AONB land south of M2 • Detractors include occasional areas of tipping and views to and noise from M2.
Landscape Character Sensitivity	<p>Moderate to Low: The landscape is reasonably managed and of average quality- its condition is assessed as moderate. It has a recognisable pattern, but does have some incongruous elements that detract from the intactness of the area and reduces the sense of place and any sense of tranquillity.</p>
Visual Sensitivity	<p>Moderate: Visible from roads and properties overlooking the Site.</p>
Landscape Value	<p>Moderate: Undesignated and undistinguished but has some redeeming features which are valued by local residents who use the public footpaths which cross it for recreation. LCZ4 is visible from the edge of the Kent Downs AONB at the M2 road bridges but it does not display any notable key characteristics or special qualities of the AONB landscape and makes a limited contribution to the AONB's setting. It's open, large scale arable landscape is typical of the Kent Downs local landscape. Views towards the settlement edges are possible. Due to the scale there are localised areas where a sense of isolation may be experienced however any sense of tranquillity is affected by the M2 noise. Longer views afforded across the landscape are contained by the woodland areas along the settlement edge and by the M2 corridor. There are no long views towards any key characteristic or special qualities of the AONB.</p>
Landscape Capacity	<p>Moderate: Overall the LCZ has a moderate landscape sensitivity. The components and qualities of the LCZ could be moderately affected and the Site has a medium ability to accommodate the proposed change from open arable land to housing and employment.</p>
Recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restore hedged boundaries to roads and other highways • Provide appropriate buffers to overlooking residential properties; • Provide appropriate green settings for retained public rights of way including retention of setting to Chapel Lane; • Restore a smaller-scale framework to the landscape by introducing green and blue corridors to housing and employment areas; • Consider appropriate building parameters for employment uses in key views from AONB edge at Bredhurst with input from AONB Advisory unit.

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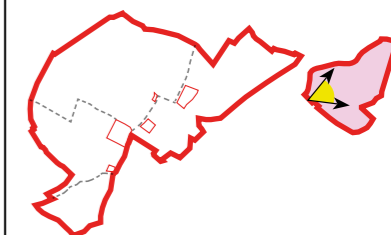
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LANDSCAPE CHARACTER ZONE 5:	
Key Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medium irregular arable field within in Kent Downs AONB; • Abuts M2 to the north; • Woodland provides sense of enclosure to north and east; • Overlooked by residents at Kemley Street Road; • No public access; • Limited detractors.
Landscape Character Sensitivity	<p>Moderate to High: The landscape is well managed and of good quality- its condition is assessed as good. It has a recognisable pattern, with limited incongruous elements that detract from the intactness of the area. It has a moderate to strong sense of place and displays some of the characteristics of the AONB landscape to the south.</p>
Visual Sensitivity	<p>Moderate to Low: The zone of visual influence is contained by the mature boundaries. Openly visible from properties at Kemley Street Road.</p>
Landscape Value	<p>High: Designated at a national level as part of the Kent Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.</p>
Landscape Capacity	<p>Low: The LCZ has a high landscape sensitivity. The components and qualities of the LCZ have a low ability to accommodate the proposed change which introduces a new junction to the M2. Mitigation will be necessary to reduce the significance of landscape and visual effects.</p>
Recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide appropriate mitigation to address visual effects for residents at Kemley Street Road; • Consider enhancements in the LCZ which will provide benefit to the wider AONB; • Provide enhanced public access to the LCZ and AONB landscape beyond; • Provide new habitats which will enhance the biodiversity of the LCA.

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