

APPENDIX D2

Landscape Condition and Sensitivity Assessment Survey Sheets

Sherwood

LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref SH13

Draft Character Type Sherwood

Date 17/05/2006

Surveyor TB/NA

Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) S64

Conditions Cloudy

OS East 463641

OS North 381714

Location Thievesdale Lane, off A1

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref SH13

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Coherent

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

Sewage works to the south west of area. Some large scale farm buildings at Scofton and Carlton Forest Farm.
Disused airfield to centre of area - some hardstanding still remains.

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Few

Visual Unity Score

5

this score equates to..

Unified

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

Woodland blocks and linear belts of trees, interlocking in places. Mature mixed woodland including Sycamore, Oak, Sweet Chestnut, Scot's Pine etc.

No ecological designations.

Ecological Bases

Hedgerows and field margins provide good network. Hedgerow trees common in places. Interlocking blocks and belts of woodland.

Intensity of Land Use

Intensive arable farming to North and West. Mostly with low trimmed gappy hedgerows. Some pasture (sheep grazing) to the east of the area North of Osberton Park, with strong hedgerows particularly to tracks/bridleways.

Additional Notes

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Moderate

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Mature mixed woodland blocks, Sycamore, Oak Sweet Chestnut, Ash, Beach, Hawthorn. Coniferous blocks and linear belts are mainly Scots Pine. Some Hedgerow trees, mainly Oak.

Extent

Moderate coverage.

Age Structure

Majority of woodland is mature.

Field Boundaries

Strong, well maintained hedgerows, particularly to lanes and bridleways. Some post and wire fencing reinforcing boundaries to pasture.

Some hedgerow trees, mainly Oak.

Built Features

Large agricultural sheds at Carlton Forest Farm and Scofton - timber and corrugated metal. Also large red brick

and pantile roofed building at Carlton Forest Farm.. Red brick bugalows to east of Chequer House Farm. Sewage works to south west of area.

Listed Buildings:-
Bilby Farm - Grade LI - ref 1.3.4

Additional Notes

Overall Cultural Integrity Good

Functional Integrity Score 5 *this score equates to..* Strong

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

Large scale agricultural sheds do not respect local vernacular.

Impact of built development Low

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

Loss of mature woodland to arable or pastoral farming - Moderate
Loss of pasture to arable farming in the east - Slight

Impact of recent land use change insignificant

Overall Condition Summary Statement

Hedgerows to the east are generally strong and well trimmed, particularly along tracks and bridleways. Woodland is in generally good condition, although fully mature in places. Sewage works to south is reasonably well screened by landform and trees, although metal palisade fencing is inappropriate in a rural location.

Condition Overall Score 10 *this score equates to..* Very Good

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?

Woodlands

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

Mixed species blocks and linear belts. Coniferous linear belts are common.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees

Majority of hedgerows are hawthorn with occasional hedgerow trees - Oak, Ash and Lime.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Other Vegetation

Avenues of trees along road sides.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Field Boundaries

Mostly trimmed hawthorn hedgerows. Variable verges. Post and rail/wire fencing to pasture.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Buildings

Isolated farms. Mixture of traditional (red brick and pantile roof) and more recent farm buildings.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Highways

Straight Roads and tracks.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Other Features

Disused airfield, some hardstanding remaining.
Sewage works.

Distinctiveness Indistinct

Continuity Recent

Settlements

Urban fringes of Worksop.

Distinctiveness Indistinct

Continuity Recent

Final distinctivene Characteristic

Final Continuity Historic

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Sense of Place Score 4 *this score equates to..* Moderate

Visibility

Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?

Open views across the DPZ and beyond, although landform, hedgerows and woodland restrict views in places.

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ? Apparent

How wooded is the landscape ?

Intermittent

Views Score 4 *this score equates to..* Moderate

Sensitivity Overall Score 8 *this score equates to..* Moderate

Landscape Policy Score 18 *this score equates to Landscape Polic* conserve

LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref SH20

Draft Character Type Sherwood

Date 18/05/2006

Surveyor HMJ,DCM

Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) 29,44,31 MLA 82 Walesby Forest

Conditions Very warm, sun and showers

OS East 466937

OS North 370184

Location Walesby Scout Camp

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref SH20

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Coherent

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

Low voltage power lines, high voltage power line distant glimpsed views of A614, busy road between the A614 and Walesby village, static caravan site adjacent to scout camp.

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Few

Visual Unity Score

5

this score equates to..

Unified

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

Types of habitat - mixed deciduous woodland with Oak, Pine as dominant species as well as Birch, and Rowan as understorey, with occasional Sweet Chestnut. Habitats also include the River Maun itself which is bordered by linear sections of flood meadow. There is also permanent pasture with scattered standard trees species, Oak, Birch, and Pine. Within these pasture areas are heathy sections with Heather, Broom, Gorse and Bracken. There is more ornamental planting around the scout camp buildings including a short avenue of mature lime trees to the entrance.

Ecological Bases

The River Maun forms a corridor through the MLA area with continuous tree cover of varying types and structure there are few hedgerows within the MLA area so these do not form a network but overall the connectivity is good

Intensity of Land Use

There are no arable areas within the MLA, permanent pasture to the east of the river is used for amenity uses associated with the scout camp, immediately to the west of the river flood meadows are used for sheep grazing. Wooded areas are managed for amenity use. Overall low intensity of farming use but moderate intensity for recreational use.

Additional Notes

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Strong

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Conjure Alders - Mixed deciduous woodland-Oak, Ash, Birch, Alder as canopy species with hawthorn dominant as understorey. Woodland has a good ground, shrub and canopy structure with a diverse range of ages. Present on Sanderson plan.

Gosling Carr- Aspen, stand of dead Alder. Woodland has field layer of bramble, no shrub layer and canopy trees only, evidence of regenerating Aspen.

Heathland- open permanent pasture with heathy sections and standard Birch, Pine and Oak
Chapel wood - Oak, Pine, with Birch understorey, good structure with natural regen occurring

New England- open heathy area with Birch, and Pine as standards with newly planted Birch and Pine

Whitewater Covert- Oak, Pine, with Birch and Rowan understorey, No Larch apparent (as per MLA target note),

occasional Sweet Chestnut and Beech, good structure, good age range with regen occurring

Extent

Moderate coverage,

Age Structure

Conjure Alders - diverse age structure

Gosling Carr - dead alder stand all of one age but young and mature age Aspen

Heathland - diverse age structure inc standards reaching maturity

Chapel wood, / White water covert - diverse age structure with nat regen apparent

New England - mature standards and newly planted trees

Field Boundaries

Limited hedgerows are apparent within the MLA area, those east-west hedges noted on the original MLA survey are not obvious although the boundary hedgerow to the east and the parish boundary are still present, field boundaries along Robin Hood Way are timber post and rail

Hedgerow to road frontage is well defined, to the east of scout camp an older more mixed hedgeline has grown out and there is a younger layed hedge to the front with Hawthorn as the dominant species.

Built Features

Buildings include those associated with the scout camp and caravan park include 1960s brick bungalows with some slightly older 1950s low rise buildings with tiled roofs.

Additional Notes

Tree cover is approx 50% with a varying age structure of typical Sherwood species which is obviously maintained to thin out species and encourage natural regeneration, there are few field boundaries and the few buildings are utilitarian in style. Only Conjure Alders woodland is present on Sanderson Plan.

Overall Cultural Integrity Variable

Functional Integrity Score

5

this score equates to..

Strong

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

Buildings are recent and do not respect the local building style of red brick and pantile roof, but these do not have a great deal of impact within the MLA as they are screened by woodland from the road and Robin Hood Way.

Impact of built development

Low

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

MLA survey indicates no major changes except possible removal of hedgerows to the heathland area, the death of the Alder stand may be due to changes in the water table due to surrounding intensive agricultural use, the Robin Hood Way is a relatively recent long distance footpath so this has increased the recreational pressure through the area.

Impact of recent land use change

insignificant

Overall Condition Summary Statement

The landscape condition is very good overall, few detracting features give a unified area of woodland, permanent pasture with heathland within a surrounding area of intensive arable farming. It forms a strong habitat for wildlife due to the range of typical Sherwood species and diverse age structure with areas of woodland and open areas with the River Maun running through the area. Cultural integrity is scored as variable because although woodland is of mixed age and species, building quality is poor and not in keeping although well screened generally, there is a limited impact of new built development and insignificant land use changes.

Condition Overall Score

10

this score equates to..

Very Good

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?

Woodlands

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

See list of woodlands - generally Sherwood species with a diverse age structure.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees

There are limited hedgerows although as noted on MLA target notes there is an ancient parish boundary hedge.

Distinctiveness Unique/Rare

Continuity Ancient

Other Vegetation

gorse, broom, bracken, and heather are prevalent in areas of permanent pasture.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Field Boundaries

Post and rail fencing, post and wire at northern end, with few hedgerows generally.

Distinctiveness Indistinct

Continuity Recent

Buildings

Low level brick buildings associated with scout camp and caravan site

Distinctiveness Indistinct

Continuity Recent

Highways

Straight roads

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Recent

Other Features

Caravan site, scout camp with car parking area

Distinctiveness Indistinct

Continuity Historic

Settlements

None

Distinctiveness

Continuity

Final distinctiveness Unique/Rare

Final Continuity Historic

To support final di MLA assemblage of water, woodland, permanent pasture, heathland is unique and rare in Nottinghamshire as a whole, as it represents less than 10% of the county

To support final co The sense of place is less strong as other MLAs to the north of the Maun/ Meden valley mainly due to the fact that there are no historic buildings associated with this MLA.

Sense of Place Score 5

this score equates to.. Strong

Visibility

Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?

Views beyond the MLA to the A614 to the west and up and down the river Maun valley

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ? Apparent

How wooded is the landscape ? Intermittent

Views Score 4 *this score equates to..* Moderate

Sensitivity Overall Score 9 *this score equates to..* High

Landscape Policy Score 19 *this score equates to Landscape Polic* conserve

LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref SH21

Draft Character Type Sherwood

Date 11/05/2006

Surveyor HMJ/DCM

Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) 41,26, 43 - (MLA 52 Elkesley)

Conditions Sunny, very warm

OS East 469006

OS North 375556

Location Car park- Robin Hood PH

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref SH21

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Coherent

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

Traffic noise from the A1, visual intrusion from the A1 noted at one point only on Brough Lane, one low voltage power line crosses the area.

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Few

Visual Unity Score

5

this score equates to..

Unified

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

Designated sites include:

MLA number 52

No SSSIs, SINCs, Ancient Woodland within the MLA area.

Habitats types include:-

Areas of mixed deciduous woodland along the Poulter Brook, these border coniferous woodland to the south, this woodland includes Poplar, Willow, with Oak and Ash standards, with Hawthorn and Elder as understorey. Internal field boundary hedgerows range from mixed species and well maintained to grown out into individual trees, species include Malus, Acer campestre, Elder, Hawthorn, Blackthorn and Rosa sps. Brough Lane has well maintained hedgerows including Hawthorn, Elder, Blackthorn, Rosa sps with mature Oak and Ash trees. Also the River Poulter itself as well as marshy areas and channels within the deciduous woodland area.

Ecological Bases

There is a good linkage of habitats, between Brough Lane hedgerows and field boundary hedgerows, pasture areas, river corridor and the scattering of mature trees.

Intensity of Land Use

There is intensive arable use to the south east of the MLA, more pasture to the area north of the river with horse and cattle grazing.

Additional Notes

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Strong

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Deciduous woodland to the south and north west of River Poulter, mature trees within field boundary hedgelines and along Brough Lane and also within pasture areas.

Extent

Tree cover is low as an overall percentage

Age Structure

Trees within the area appear to be mature, there is no evidence of young or newly planted trees.

Field Boundaries

These vary, some are mixed deciduous mature hedgerows which are dense and bushy, but some hedgerows are grown out into individual trees and the gaps have been filled by post and wire fence rather than new planting.

Built Features

Built features include red brick farmhouses with pantile roofs along Brough Lane, new development on Brough Lane to south west of village core.

Additional Notes

Overall Cultural Integrity Good

Functional Integrity Score 6 this score equates to.. Very Strong

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

There is some new development on the edge of Elkesley (in the MLA), and houses at the west end of Brough Lane(not in the MLA), also bungalows on the edge of Elkesley for a short distance along the public footpath until levels begin to drop down to the River Valley(not in the MLA area).

Impact of built development Low

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

All as the original MLA plan except that there is a change from cultivated to rough pasture for the field adjacent to the public footpath, one field not coloured on the MLA plan but included is now under cereals not known what this was at the time of MLA survey.

Impact of recent land use change insignificant

Overall Condition Summary Statement

There are few visual detractors, and the area is described as unified with a visual unity score of 5. The varied range of habitat types with good connectivity provides a strong habitat for wildlife. There is a low coverage of trees overall but these trees are mature and there are many strong hedgerows although some are grown out. Brick and pantile roofed cottages are prevalent within the area. Overall these features give a 'good' cultural integrity score. There is 'low' impact of external development and little land use change from the previous MLA survey, Overall therefore the landscape condition is 'good' with a score of 10.

Condition Overall Score 10 this score equates to.. Very Good

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?

Woodlands

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

The woodland at the edge of the River Poulter is characteristic of the Sherwood river valleys with its small poplar plantations adjacent to the river.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Recent

Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees

Brough Lane- mixed species deciduous hedgerows

Field boundary hedges- range from mixed species deciduous hedgerows - grown out trees.

Distinctiveness Unique/Rare

Continuity Historic

Other Vegetation

No obvious heathy species within this area

Distinctiveness

Continuity

Field Boundaries

Internal hedgerows - mature mixed deciduous species, some hedges grown out with post and rail to fill gaps.

Distinctiveness

Characteristic

Continuity

Historic

Buildings

All of the listed buildings in Elkesley are outside the MLA boundary except for Grade LI - No name - Gen Ref 1.20.13.

Distinctiveness

Characteristic

Continuity

Historic

Highways

Straight roads - characteristic and recent and narrow hedgelined lane- Brough Lane- characteristic and historic.

Distinctiveness

Characteristic

Continuity

Historic

Other Features

Sportsfield on the southern edge of Elkesley

Distinctiveness

Characteristic

Continuity

Recent

Settlements

Some development on the southern edge of Elkesley cuts into the MLA some is characteristic and historic and but some is recent and indistinct

Distinctiveness

Characteristic

Continuity

Historic

Final distinctiveness

Unique/Rare

Final Continuity

Historic

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MLA areas cover less than 10 percent of Nottinghamshire, therefore within the County this assemblage of woodland, permanent pasture and hedgerows and green lanes is unique and rare.

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Some hedgerows may be ancient, this requires additional research.

Sense of Place Score

5

this score equates to..

Strong

Visibility**Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?**

Views are largely limited to the MLA, woodland to the south and hedgerows screen distant views, there are some glimpses of the A1 from Brough Lane.

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ?

Insignificant

How wooded is the landscape ?

Intermittent

Views Score

3

this score equates to..

Low

Sensitivity Overall Score

8

this score equates to..

Moderate

Landscape Policy Score

18

this score equates to Landscape Polic

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LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref **SH22**

Draft Character Type **Sherwood**

Date **09/05/2006**

Surveyor **TB/NA**

Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) **40,60,63,68**

Conditions **Sunny**

OS East **462750**

OS North **380900**

Location **Junction of Bridleways in Scofton**

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref **SH22**

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Unified

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

Large agricultural sheds at Scofton and Park Farm.

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Few

Visual Unity Score

6

this score equates to..

Strongly unified

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

SINCs;

Chequer Bottoms (2005b 2/411)

Osberton Woodland (i) (2005b - 5/158)

Osberton Woodland (ii) (2005b - 5/159)

Chesterfield Canal (2005b - 2/621)

Blocks of mature mixed woodland interlocking in places. Significant understorey in some woodland and widespread Bluebells.

Strong mixed and Hawthorn Hedgerows, which are generally trimmed. Large areas of pasture with mature parkland trees. Occasional areas of bracken and gorse. Riverside vegetation associated with the River Ryton and the Chesterfield Canal.

Ecological Bases

Hedgerows provide good wildlife margins particularly along tracks. Many of pasture areas around Osberton Park are divided by timber post and rail fencing. Linear stretches of woodland along river valley. Isolated blocks and interlocking woodland areas. Lakes near Osberton Hall.

Intensity of Land Use

Low intensity farming with permanent improved pasture. Mostly sheep grazing, some horse grazing with sub division of field by tape. Small areas of arable land use.

Additional Notes Majority of area is grazed pasture with mature parkland trees.

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Moderate

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Mature mixed woodland including Beech, Oak, Sweet Chestnut, Sycamore and Yew. Parkland with Oak, Lime and Sweet Chestnut trees. Lime tree avenue and Oak along driveways. Willow, Alder and Poplar along water course. Small area of Coniferous with deciduous edges and understorey.

Extent

Moderate coverage.

Age Structure

Many of the Parkland trees are in decline. Majority of the mixed woodland is mature. Some more recent planting and self seeding woodland.

Field Boundaries

Strong and well trimmed mixed hedgerow alongside B6079. Strong trimmed Hawthorn hedgerows along tracks and bridleways and some field boundaries. Majority of grazing areas in parkland sub-divided by post and rail fences (in good condition).

Built Features

Some red-brick and some stone buildings. Farm buildings around Osberton Hall stone vernacular. Park farm buildings are more recent. Majority of housing and farm buildings within Scofton are red brick vernacular. Larger modern agricultural buildings to north of Scofton. West Lodges of the B6079 and the East Lodge are stone vernacular buildings.

Grade II listed building on Island in Osberton Park - ref 1.65.123
 Grade II listed building - (Church) - ref:1.65.126
 Grade II listed building - (wall @ Church) - ref: 1.65.127
 Grade II* listed building - (no name, @ Osberton Hall) - ref:1.65.116
 Grade II listed building - (no name @ Osberton Hall) - ref: 1.65.121
 Grade II listed building - (bridge near Park Farm) - ref: 1.65.113
 Grade II listed building - (East Lodge) - ref: 1.65.124
 Grade II listed building - (Lodge to B6079) - ref: 1.65.112

Additional Notes

Overall Cultural Integrity

Functional Integrity Score this score equates to..

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

Generally Historic buildings within MLA. More recent building at Park Farm red brick and unobtrusive due to screening. Large agricultural buildings at Park Farm and to north of Scofton are out of scale and do not respect the local vernacular and sense of place.

Impact of built development

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

Possible loss of parkland due to arable farming - Moderate.
 Possible increase in Horsiculture with further sub-division of fields - Weak.
 Loss of mature woodland to arable farming - Moderate to Strong.
 Possible commercial development of Osberton Hall - Moderate.

Impact of recent land use change

Overall Condition Summary Statement

Historic parkland landscape well maintained with permanent pasture. Some parkland trees are reaching maturity or in decline. Woodland generally well maintained with understorey and Bluebell field layer - although some deciduous trees are reaching maturity. Hedgerows and timber post and rail boundaries are well maintained. Buildings are well maintained and picturesque. Osberton Hall and nearby Church appear in good condition. Remains of possible walled garden opposite Scofton Farm. Lime and Oak avenues intact.

Condition Overall Score this score equates to..

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

DPZ Ref SH22

Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?

Woodlands

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

Mature mixed woodland blocks interlocking in places. Scot's Pine, Oak, Sycamore, Sweet Chestnut, Lime, Yew. Small areas of Coniferous planting with deciduous edges. Linear sections of woodland along watercourse including Willow, Poplar and Alder.

Distinctiveness

Continuity

Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees

Old mixed hedgrows to B6079 with occasional Oak tree. Trimmed Hawthorn Hedges with few trees largely to tracks. Beech and Holly garden hedges to properties in Scofton.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Other Vegetation

Avenues of trees (Lime). Some Gorse and bracken (not much). Bluebells common within woodland.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Field Boundaries

Hedge on top of bank to western end of B6079. Trimmed Hawthorn and mixed hedgerows. Post and Rail fences to pasture.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Buildings

Isolated Farms, large country house, church, red brick cottages within Scofton and red-brick farmbuildings at Scofton Farm. Stone Lodges within Osberton Park.

Distinctiveness Unique/Rare

Continuity Historic

Highways

Narrow hedged lanes and bridleways. B6079 to the south is a straight road.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Other Features

Chesterfield Canal, Lock and Tow path. Parkland lakes with island and summer house.

Distinctiveness Unique/Rare

Continuity Historic

Settlements

Scofton Village - largely red-brick.

Distinctiveness Unique/Rare

Continuity Historic

Final distinctiveness Characteristic

Final Continuity Historic

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Sense of Place Score

4

this score equates to..

Moderate

Visibility

Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?

Views restricted to within DPZ due to woodland on periphery of area. Landform rises to North and South of River valley.

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ?

Apparent

How wooded is the landscape ?

Intermittent

Views Score

4

this score equates to..

Moderate

Sensitivity Overall Score

8

this score equates to..

Moderate

Landscape Policy Score

18

this score equates to Landscape Polic

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LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref **SH23**Draft Character Type **Sherwood**Date **27/04/2006**Surveyor **HMJ/DCM**Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) **62 - MLA 80 Babworth Park**Conditions **sunny , with showers, mild**OS East **xxxxxx**OS North **xxxxxxx**Location **Road to Sutton cum Lound, off A620**

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref **SH23**

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Coherent

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

The only detracting feature is the busy A620 which crosses the MLA. Also 2 power lines visible from the MLA.

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Few

Visual Unity Score

5

this score equates to..

Unified

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

Mature mixed woodland, permanent pasture, heathland tree species on golf course. The overall impression is of a mosaic of many different habitat types.

Ecological Bases

Belt of mature woodland to eastern edge of MLA and an 'island' of mature woodland around the hall, these are connected to each other by hedgerows which were not especially mature, there are also mature parkland trees, also isolated clumps of woodland within the horse grazing area.

Intensity of Land Use

Permanent pasture with parkland character to the north of MLA, horse grazing on improved pasture to central area which was cultivated arable land at the time of the MLA survey, or woodland

Additional Notes

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Strong

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

To the eastern edge mixed woodland of Birch, Oak, Beech, Ash , Sycamore, Scots Pine and Hawthorn, also ornamental species such as Cedar,

Parkland trees - mainly Lime and Oak

Around babworth church there is also Yew, Holly

Clumps of sycamore in horse grazing area

Hedgerows hawthorn predominantly

Extent

50% tree cover overall - moderate coverage

Age Structure

Varying in age structure with some over mature but also some young trees coming through

Parkland trees are mature but do not appear to be in decline at this stage

Internal field hedgerows are not mature mainly hawthorn some newly planted, road hedgerows are well maintained hawthorn, not gappy and uniform in height.

Field Boundaries

No fields as such but grazing areas with timber post and rail fences to central areas.

Built Features

Stone and brick buildings and stone church, brick walls around church, timber stable buildings. Brick ha ha near Haygarth House.

Additional Notes

Overall Cultural Integrity Good

Functional Integrity Score 6 this score equates to.. Very Strong

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

No recent built development except for new timber stable buildings within grazing areas

Impact of built development Low

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

There have been changes from arable to horse grazing in last 15 years but this does not detract from the character of the area, changes immediately adjacent to the MLA include use of plastic mulch which has a moderate adverse visual impact on the MLA itself.

Impact of recent land use change insignificant

Overall Condition Summary Statement

The area has a high degree of visual unity. The area is a mosaic of habitat types including a large area of mature mixed woodland, permanent pasture with parkland trees and improved pasture used for horse grazing and is a valuable wildlife habitat. It contains the historic buildings of Babworth church, Babworth Hall and Haygarth house and has therefore a high degree of cultural integrity. There are few visual detractors and there is insignificant impact of recent development.

Condition Overall Score 10 this score equates to.. Very Good

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?

Woodlands

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

Mixed deciduous woodland to the eastern fringe
Hedgerows
Parkland trees
Woodland around hall
Woodland around church
Clumps of woodland within grazed pasture areas

Avenues are less distinct than as shown on Sanderson Plan

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees

Hawthorn hedgerows with no trees but Ash seedlings.

Distinctiveness Indistinct

Continuity Historic

Other Vegetation

Avenues of trees,

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Field Boundaries

post and rail boundaries - recent
road hedge boundaries - historic
internal field boundaries - recent

Distinctiveness Indistinct**Continuity** Historic**Buildings**

Grade II - No name (at Babworth Hall) - gen ref 1.2.9
Grade II - No name (at Babworth Hall) - gen ref 1.2.8
Grade 1 - No name (in Babworth Park) - gen ref 1.2.4
Grade II - No name (in woods east of Babworth Hall)- gen ref 1.18.9
Grade II - No name (in woods east of Babworth Hall) - gen ref 1.18.198

Distinctiveness Unique/Rare**Continuity** Historic**Highways**

Straight roads

Distinctiveness Indistinct**Continuity** Historic**Other Features**

Golf courses

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Recent**Settlements**

Individual dwellings, isolated Babworth hall, yoga centre, old lodge

Distinctiveness Unique/Rare**Continuity** Historic**Final distinctiveness** Unique/Rare**Final Continuity** Historic

To support final di The assemblage of historic buildings, parkland trees, mixed deciduous woodland, hedgerows is unique and rare in the sense that MLA areas cover less than 10% of the county of Nottinghamshire.

To support final co Some buildings possible ancient needs further research.

Sense of Place Score 5 *this score equates to..* Strong**Visibility****Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?**

the only long view is from the access road to the hall southwards towards the A1, otherwise views are contained within the MLA by mature woodland or landform

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ? Apparent**How wooded is the landscape ?** Enclosed**Views Score** 3 *this score equates to..* Low**Sensitivity Overall Score** 8 *this score equates to..* Moderate**Landscape Policy Score** 18 *this score equates to Landscape Polic* conserve

LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref **SH24**

Draft Character Type **Sherwood**

Date **03/05/2006**

Surveyor **HMJ/DCM**

Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) **58**

Conditions **Sunny, mild**

OS East **466388**

OS North **382921**

Location **Chesterfield Canal, Ranby**

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref **SH24**

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Unified

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

Two high voltage lines cross area, there is constant noise of traffic and also the visual impact of traffic on A1 from many points, other surrounding roads are less busy with intermittent traffic.

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Some

Visual Unity Score

5

this score equates to..

Unified

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

Ecological designations include - Chesterfield Canal (Welham to Shireoaks I bio SINC).

Other habitats include:-

Small areas of mixed woodland with mature trees

Isolated clumps of mature trees

Wide road verges with heathy species

Internal mixed species hedgerows which also contain fully grown out shrubs

Mixed species road side hedges with mature trees including Scot's Pine

Ecological Bases

Belts of deciduous woodland connect into hedgerows, hedgerows and field margins provide a good network, there are mature trees throughout the area especially around Ranby Hall. There is a good connectivity of habitats.

Intensity of Land Use

Arable fields with strong shrubby hedgerows and some deciduous woodland, sheep and horse grazing to pasture areas, early vegetable production under fleece to north east corner. Overall a moderate intensity of land use.

Additional Notes

The fields themselves appear sterile in ecological terms but the surroundings (field margins, hedgerows and woodlands) provide richer wildlife habitats.

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Moderate

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Many of the trees within the area are mature native species - Oak is the dominant but there are also Beech, Sycamore, Scot's Pine, the occasional Ash, and one patch of Yew to north east corner near 'the Lodges'

Extent

No more than 10% tree coverage, low coverage

Age Structure

Over mature and in decline particularly Oak, there are also many mature trees or trees reaching maturity with little evidence of new tree planting.

Field Boundaries

The hedges vary in condition within the MLA- the internal field boundaries are lines of shrubs as opposed to

hedges with occasional mature trees, Green Mile Lane has well trimmed mixed hedgerows with lines of trees to the lane edge, this hedge is gappy in places but with evidence of replanting, there are occasional thin strips of woodland as boundaries. Some hedgelines have been removed and replaced by post and rail to road edges.

Built Features

Red brick and pantile roofed farmhouses- Low Farm and New Cottages, Ranby Hall xxxxx, 'The Lodge' is rendered over brick. Some temporary timber buildings as horse shelters.

Grade LI - no name where (Old London Road meets Knives Hill plantation) - gen ref 1.2.2

Grade II - no name(next to Ranby Hall - gen ref 1.2.16

Grade II - No name (Ranby Hall) - gen ref 1.2.15

Grade II* - no name (Ranby Hall) - gen ref 1.2.1

Additional Notes

Trees and hedges - some evidence of management of woodland strips to Green Mile Lane but more mature trees throughout generally seem to be in decline and of asimilar age structure.

Overall Cultural Integrity Variable

Functional Integrity Score 4 this score equates to.. Coherent

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

No new built development except for temporary horse shelters, and small extensions on to existing properties only.

Impact of built development Low

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

There has been a slight change from the MLA original survey in the division of pasture area into horse paddocks, and also some conversion from arable to vegetable production for one field only -potatoes? Trend of change from arable may continue, extent of woodland areas seem fairly stable within the landscape but need maintenance as the loss of woodland will be a significant visual imapct.

Impact of recent land use change insignificant

Overall Condition Summary Statement

A visual unity is created by the clearly delineated outline to the area.The area consists mainly of arable farming with a nucleus of grazed pasture and mature stands of trees around the Hall complex which contains a number of listed buildings. Ecological integrity is reasonably good with a good connectivity of habitats Cultural integrity is variable with intact listed bulidings and structures with strong vernacular style, also mature woodland is present this is in decline in parts and needs maintenance and replanting. There is low impact as a result of changes in land use and little impact of new built development.The main detractor is the noise and visual impact of the A1. Landscape condition generally good overall.

Condition Overall Score 9 this score equates to.. Good

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?

Woodlands

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

90% of the mixed woodlands in this area are as shown on Sanderson Plan,

There has been some
loss of parkland around Ranby Hall, and
loss of avenue planting from the crossing point on the canal which was shown on Sanderson Plan

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity

Historic

Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees

Internal hedgerows - Hawthorn predominates with mature trees -Oak, Sycamore, Black thorn, Ash, and Hawthorn trees.

Road hedges - Hawthorn predominates again with mature trees Pine, Oak, Beech and Sycamore

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Other VegetationHeathy vegetation to verges - Broom, Gorse ,
Bracken

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Field Boundaries

Shrubby hedges to fields , trimmed hedges to road boundaries with wide verges with heath species,

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Buildings

See listed buildings - red brick farms with pantiles

xxxxx check info about Hall

Distinctiveness Unique/Rare

Continuity Historic

Highways

Straight roads surround area and hedged lined Green Mile Lane crosses the MLA.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Other Features

None

Distinctiveness

Continuity

Settlements

Isolated farm buildings - such as New Cottages, the Lodge, Ranby Hall Farm cottages

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Final distinctiveness Unique/Rare

Final Continuity Historic

To support final di Whilst individual elements of this MLA area may be characteristic of Sherwood the whole assemblage of listed buildings, mature landscape elements such as mature trees and permanent pasture is unique/ rare in that MLAs cover less than 10% of the county as a whole

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Sense of Place Score 5 this score equates to.. Strong

Visibility

Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?

There are views out of the MLA in most directions but its boundaries are clearly visually defined.

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ? Insignificant

How wooded is the landscape ? Intermittent

Views Score 3 this score equates to.. Low

Sensitivity Overall Score 8 this score equates to.. Moderate

Landscape Policy Score 17 this score equates to Landscape Polic Conserve and Reinforce

LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref SH25

Draft Character Type Sherwood

Date 13/06/2007

Surveyor KW/NA

Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) s23,s24&s25

Conditions overcast,dry

OS East 445016

OS North 368959

Location Bridleway at Broomhill, near sewage works

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref SH25

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Coherent

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

Mineral extraction/associated spoil heaps etc,Pylons/masts/poles etc,Busy roads,(A.6075) Lorry Park at junction of A6075 and B6035 (Bradmer Hill). Tourisy attractions such as farm park detract from landscape unity.

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Some

Visual Unity Score

4

this score equates to..

Coherent

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

Sherwood Forest Nature Reserve

Hanger Hill Drive Wood - Biosinc 2005b - 2/345

Boundary Plantation Ride Verges - Biosinc 2005b - 5/165

The Lings - Biosinc 2005b - 2/343

Clipstone Drive, Edwinstowne - Biosinc 2005b - 344

New Lodge Plantation - Biosinc 2005b - 2/674

Bradmer Hill Cutting - Biosinc 2005b - 2/95

Warsop Sand Quarry - Biosinc 2005b - 5/85

Birklands West and Ollerton Corner - SSSI

Heathland Register sites - Boundary Plantation, 12.55; The Lings, 13.92; Normans Plantation, 0.58; Bradmer Hill Cutting, 3.23; Birklands and Bilhaugh (Worksop Road), 34.02; Birklands and Bilhaugh (Sherwood Forest Country Park), 4.76; Peafield New Plantation, 0.64.

Bilhaugh - Ancient Woodland, mif code 3002

Sherwood Forest - Ancient Woodland, mif code 3002.

Birklands and Bilhaugh SAC (Special Area for Conservation - European designation)

Large coniferous and broadleaf woodland areas within arable landscape.

Sherwood Forest Ancient Woodland to north of Edwinstowe contains remnants of historic oak birch woodland.

The network of hedgerows form wildlife corridors.

Ecological Bases

Hedgerows and field margins connect into woodland and provide good network.

Few isolated patches of woodland

Intensity of Land Use

Highly intensive arable land with good hedgerow network. Some hedgerow gappy in places. Small areas of pasture with horses and cattle near to Bradmer Hill.

Additional Notes

Although large areas are arable land, the core of the area has several designations including SSSI and SAC which make it one of the most valuable wildlife areas in Notts.

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Strong

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

50% Oak woodland, including sweet chestnut, Birch, Sycamore, Pine, Elm
 50% Coniferous plantation mainly with deciduous edge planting.

Extent

Moderate coverage

Age Structure

Diverse age structure, mostly mature with some more recent planting, for example the Oak woodland off Blakeley Lane 40-50 years.
 Ancient woodland at Sherwood Visitor Centre.

Field Boundaries

Mixed, some fragmented mainly intact.
 Mainly hawthorn and trimmed

Built Features

Mainly isolated farms some stone built in north of area. Mixed age properties along B6035 to south east of Market Warsop.

Listed Buildings:

Grade SS - Assarts Farm, ref. 2.3.67
 Grade LIE - Burns Farm, ref. 2.3.89
 Grade LIE - Sherwood Forest Visitors Centre, ref. 3.23.46
 Grade LIE - Broomhill Grange, ref. 3.16.4
 Grade LI - Forest Hill Lodge Farmhouse, ref. 2.3.22
 Grade LIE - Westfield House, ref. 2.3.88
 Grade LIE - Peafield Farm, 2.2.79
 Grad SS - Villa Real, ref. 3.23.29

Additional Notes

Overall Cultural Integrity Variable

Functional Integrity Score 5 *this score equates to..* Strong

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

Mainly isolated built development associated with tourist industry. Red brick and pantile roof craft centre buildings at Edwinstowe respect local character. Some tourist elements do not respect local character or sense of place, Farm park at Lamb Pens Farm and Caravan park at Gorsethorpe- ornamental tree planting is out of character.
 Low key visitor centre within Sherwood Forest to be removed and rebuilt.

Impact of built development Low

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

New visitor centre proposed to east of B6034 adjacent to Thoresby Colliery - Strong impact initially, moderate impact as planting matures.
 Restoration of Thoresby Colliery to heathland and woodland planting-moderate visual impact
 Changes in forestry practice - moderate

Impact of recent land use change localised

Overall Condition Summary Statement

Generally good condition with a few localised detracting features associated with mining and tourism. Woodland and arable areas are generally well managed. Valuable wildlife areas which include SSSI and SAC designations around the Sherwood Forest Country Park. Arable areas are generally enclosed by well maintained hedgerows, which have become gappy in some locations.

Condition Overall Score 9 *this score equates to..* Good

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?

Woodlands

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

Large coniferous plantations and mixed woodlands
Some isolated blocks of woodland

Distinctiveness	Characteristic	Continuity	Historic
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Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees

Mainly trimmed hawthorn hedges with few hedgerow trees.

Distinctiveness	Characteristic	Continuity	Historic
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Other Vegetation

Some Bracken and Heathland

Distinctiveness	Characteristic	Continuity	Historic
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Field Boundaries

Trimmed hawthorn hedges

Distinctiveness	Characteristic	Continuity	Historic
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Buildings

Isolated farms and small groups of houses

Distinctiveness	Characteristic	Continuity	Historic
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Highways

Winding roads and narrow hedged lanes

Distinctiveness	Characteristic	Continuity	Historic
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Other Features

Sherwood Forest Country Park
Robin Hood Way long distance footpath
Railway lines

Distinctiveness	Unique/Rare	Continuity	Ancient
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Settlements

None

Distinctiveness		Continuity	
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Final distinctiveness	Characteristic	Final Continuity	Historic
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Sense of Place Score **4** *this score equates to..* Moderate

Visibility

Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?

Some long distance views beyond the boundary, views more enclosed in woodland areas and views are often framed by wooded skylines.

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ? Apparent

How wooded is the landscape ? Intermittent

Views Score **4** *this score equates to..* Moderate

Sensitivity Overall Score **8** *this score equates to..* Moderate

Landscape Policy Score **17** *this score equates to Landscape Polic* **Conserve and Reinforce**

LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref SH26

Draft Character Type Sherwood

Date 15/12/2008

Surveyor DH, EK

Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) S32

Conditions Clear, Sunny

OS East 465300

OS North 368600

Location A614, Blyth Road: layby nr Olleton Corner

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref SH26

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Coherent

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

Proteus Training Camp (former TA camp)

A614 (busy road)

Low voltage power lines

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Few

Visual Unity Score

5

this score equates to..

Unified

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

Birch plantations with heathland understorey.

Heathland along road verges.

Small watercourses.

Ecological Bases

Weak pattern of hawthorn hedgerows around field margins.

Large area of woodland connects with hedgerow network.

Intensity of Land Use

Medium scale intensively farmed arable land.

Smaller areas of medium intensity semi-improved pasture.

Commercial forestry - high intensity.

Historic estate parkland - low intensity.

Additional Notes

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Moderate

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Individual deciduous trees and groups of trees (mainly Oak) within estate parkland.

Large area of woodland at southeast of the DPZ: blocks of woodland, mainly commercial: Blocks of Birch, Scots Pine and deciduous (mainly Oak).

Heathland understorey.

Lime avenues.

Extent

Approximately 50% of DPZ is tree cover (moderate).

Age Structure

Diverse age structure, ranging from young to mature plantations.

Field Boundaries

Some arable land, fields tend to be surrounded by somewhat gappy, but well-trimmed hawthorn hedgerows.

Some hedgerows have been replaced with post and wire fencing.

Built Features

Red brick Thoresby estate and farm buildings.
 Rendered Thoresby estate cottages in Budby.
 Utilitarian agricultural barns.
 Pre-fabricated buildings, red-brick buildings, Nissen Huts and timber clad buildings associated with Proteus Training camp.

Additional Notes**Overall Cultural Integrity** Good**Functional Integrity Score** 5 *this score equates to..* Strong

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

Proteus Training camp does not respect the local vernacular in terms of design or siting, but it is well-hidden from the rest of the DPZ by surrounding woodland. Buildings belonging to Thoresby Estate tend to be vernacular in style, either rendered or red-brick 2-storey dwellings. Other than farms, all dwellings in the area tend to be located in Perlethorpe or Budby, where there is no evidence of any recent development.

Impact of built development Low

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

Field enlargement, hedgerow removal and new agricultural buildings due to farming intensification: Moderate.
 Increased development / facilities for tourism: weak.

Impact of recent land use change insignificant**Overall Condition Summary Statement**

No evidence of any recent built development. Other than Proteus Training Camp and agricultural barns, all buildings are constructed in the local vernacular style. Little evidence of any pressure from development within the DPZ. Evidence of strict maintenance regime across woodland and farmland. Local character is generally being conserved. Only evidence of threat to character is removal of hedgerows and enlarging of fields.

Condition Overall Score 10 *this score equates to..* Very Good**LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY****Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?****Woodlands**

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

Large plantation made up of blocks of Scots Pine, Oak, and Birch.

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees**

Some mature Oaks in gappy Hawthorn hedgerows.

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Other Vegetation**

Lime avenues.
 Bracken.
 Acid grassland.
 Heathland.

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Field Boundaries**

Hedge with ditch.
 Hedge with narrow grass verge.
 Post and wire fence.

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic

Buildings

Isolated farms.
Small villages: red brick or rendered dwellings.

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Highways**

Straight Roads and narrow lanes, some open and some lined with hedgerows.

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Other Features**

Former army training camp.
Shooting range.

Distinctiveness Unique/Rare**Continuity** Historic**Settlements**

Budby, Perlethorpe.

Distinctiveness Unique/Rare**Continuity** Historic**Final distinctiveness** Characteristic**Final Continuity** Historic**To support final di****To support final co****Sense of Place Score** 4*this score equates to..* Moderate**Visibility****Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?**

Within: views limited by extensive woodland planting.

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ? Dominant**How wooded is the landscape ?** Enclosed**Views Score** 4 *this score equates to..* Moderate**Sensitivity Overall Score** 8 *this score equates to..* Moderate**Landscape Policy Score** 18 *this score equates to Landscape Polic* conserve

LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref SH27

Draft Character Type Sherwood

Date 20/06/2007

Surveyor KW/HMJ

Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) LCP 70 and LCP 44

Conditions cloudy and humid following period of heat

OS East 67906

OS North 71845

Location layby on B6387 north of Walesby

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref SH27

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Coherent

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

Pylons and masts

Occasional large chicken sheds

Limited roads through DPZ but those that exist are busy

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Some

Visual Unity Score

4

this score equates to..

Coherent

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habitat

Designated habitats include:-

Haughton Decoy - Bio SINC NBGRC 2005b - 2/551

Boughton Brake ride - Bio SINC NBGRC 2005b - 2/552

Heathland register - Walesby Forest - Site no. 1

Heathland register - Walesby Forest - Site no.2

Heathland register - Boughton Brake ride

Habitat types include:-

Coniferous woodland - Boughton Brake, Gosling Carr, Blackcliffe Hill Plantation

Mixed deciduous woodland - Crow Park and Haughton Decoy

Mixed species hedgerows to roads and field boundaries eg:- along PROW to east of Brake Road.

Hawthorn hedgerows to road and field boundaries

Hedgerow trees mainly Oak and Ash

Permanent pasture

Field margins to arable crops

Only major surface water feature at Haughton Decoy

Heathland areas in Boughton Brake

Ecological Bases

DPZ is adjacent to Mature Landscape Area 82 - Walesby Forest

Hedgerows and field margins provide good network

Belts of mixed woodland connect into hedgerows

Crow Park and Haughton Decoy still exist from Sandersons map.

Many internal field boundaries have now disappeared. Those which remain are variable in condition.

Some new areas of coniferous forestry at Boughton Brake and Gosling Carr, with amenity planting to road margins.

Intensity of Land Use

Some arable fields and some pasture with areas of woodland, moderate intensity of use.

Additional Notes

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Moderate

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Estimated 15% mixed tree cover

Extent

Low coverage as an overall percentage

Age Structure

Mature and over mature generally throughout DPZ
 Small amount of newly planted woodland near Walesby village.

Field Boundaries

Mixed some fragmented some intact
 Some fields divided for horses

Built Features

Traditional village cores with new build to the periphery
 Boughton pumping station now converted to offices and conference centre,
 few isolated farms
 isolated farms - red brick

Additional Notes

Limited amount of built features, including Boughton pumping station and Walesby. Central area around Walesby in poorer condition, Northern River Maun valley and southern area (north of Ollerton) more intact.

Overall Cultural Integrity **Variable****Functional Integrity Score****4***this score equates to..***Coherent**

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

Built development mainly modern around central core of Walesby.
 Boughton Pumping Station now converted

Impact of built development**Low**

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

Loss of more field boundaries
 Expansion of Walesby, Ollerton and Boughton
 Additional expansion of chicken sheds and diversification of farming type

Impact of recent land use change**localised****Overall Condition Summary Statement**

Central area around Walesby poorer in condition due to hedgerow removal and presence of chicken sheds, caravan park etc
 Northern area south of river Maun has more intact hedgerows and is more wooded
 Southern area has good hedgerows both road edge hedgerows and field boundary hedges

Condition Overall Score**8***this score equates to..***Moderate****LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY**DPZ Ref **SH27****Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?****Woodlands**

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

Small mixed woodlands, recent in terms of proportion of area

Distinctiveness**Characteristic****Continuity****Recent****Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees**

Hawthorn hedges and mixed species hedgerows with occasional trees - oak and ash

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Other Vegetation**

Some heathland in western part of area

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Field Boundaries**

Variable trimmed hedges

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Buildings**

conservation areas include:-

Walesby no 342

Boughton Pumping station no.342

Isolated farms- are red brick such as Decoy House, Haughton Warren, and Oakham Farm

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Highways**

Straight road lined with roadside hedges

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Other Features**

Disused railway line

Some large chicken sheds

Distinctiveness Indistinct**Continuity** Historic**Settlements**

Walesby and some isolated farms

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Final distinctiveness** Characteristic**Final Continuity** Historic

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Sense of Place Score

4

this score equates to..

Moderate

Visibility**Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?**

To the west there are longer distance views out of DPZ otherwise views are restricted by ridgelines to north and east and built edge of Ollerton and Boughton to the south.

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ?

Apparent

How wooded is the landscape ?

Intermittent

Views Score

4

this score equates to..

Moderate

Sensitivity Overall Score

8

this score equates to..

Moderate

Landscape Policy Score

16

this score equates to Landscape Polic

Conserve and Create

LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref SH28

Draft Character Type Sherwood

Date 15/12/2008

Surveyor DH, EK

Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) S30, S29

Conditions Clear, Sunny

OS East 465250

OS North 371700

Location A614(T) Blyth Road, Pickin's Bridge

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref SH28

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Coherent

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

A616 and A614 busy roads, although these run at right angles to the valley, therefore detracting minimally.
Urban areas of Meden Vale, Church Warsop and Market Warsop.
Welbeck Colliery (in adjacent S DPZ 29A)

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Few

Visual Unity Score

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this score equates to..

Unified

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

Linear sections of flood meadow.

Ecological Bases

Belts of deciduous woodland along valley connect into field hedgerows.
Unmaintained vegetation along river banks.
Presence of waterfowl.

Intensity of Land Use

Some flood meadow used for low-medium intensity pasture farming.

Additional Notes

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Strong

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Oak and Poplar are the dominant species. Dense woodland found along valley floor. Trees right up to water's edge.
Some heathland where tree cover is low.

Extent

Moderate coverage.

Age Structure

Diverse age structure, with evidence of dead and mature trees as well as young self-seeded saplings.

Field Boundaries

None evident from viewpoint, although woodland merges with adjacent hawthorn field boundaries.

Built Features

Very few buildings within DPZ.
Surrounding buildings outside urban areas are majority red brick, with slate or red pantile roofs.
Urban housing estates tend to contain more modern houses with grey tiled roofs.

Additional Notes

Within the boundary of this DPZ, the land is not intensively used due to the presence of the

river, although there are obvious threats immediately adjacent.

Overall Cultural Integrity Good

Functional Integrity Score 6 *this score equates to..* Very Strong

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

No development has occurred within the valley itself, although recent development in adjacent Market Warsop and Church Warsop shows little respect of the local vernacular.

Impact of built development Low

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

Farm intensification; expansion of fields into valley floor: moderate.
Expansion of urban areas: strong.

Impact of recent land use change insignificant

Overall Condition Summary Statement

The condition of this DPZ is good, as the presence of the river prevents intensive land use or development. Dense woodland is apparent along the majority of the valley, helping further to protect the river as a habitat, although the tree cover is noticeably sparse between Meden Vale and Budby, where arable and pastoral land is farmed right up to the water's edge.

Condition Overall Score 10 *this score equates to..* Very Good

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?

Woodlands

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

Oak/ poplar woodland with heathland in less wooded areas.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Ancient

Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees

No hedgerows, although hawthorn hedges around adjacent fields link into woodland.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Other Vegetation

Bracken, heathland, acid grassland

Distinctiveness Indistinct

Continuity Ancient

Field Boundaries

Trimmed hedgerows

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Buildings

Isolated Farms

Distinctiveness Unique/Rare

Continuity Historic

Highways

Straight roads and narrow lanes running at right-angles to main valley.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Other Features

Mineral railway to Welbeck Colliery
Thoresby Lake.

Distinctiveness Unique/Rare

Continuity Historic

Settlements

Perlethorpe: small village just west of A614.

Market Warsop, Warsop, Church Warsop and Meden Vale to western extremity of DPZ.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

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Sense of Place Score 4

this score equates to.. Moderate

Visibility

Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?

Within. Dense woodland within DPZ tends to restrict views along the valley floor.

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ? Dominant

How wooded is the landscape ?

Enclosed

Views Score 4

this score equates to.. Moderate

Sensitivity Overall Score 8

this score equates to.. Moderate

Landscape Policy Score 18

this score equates to Landscape Polic conserve

LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref SH29

Draft Character Type Sherwood

Date 15/12/2008

Surveyor DH, EK

Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) S36, S39

Conditions Clear, Sunny

OS East 460400

OS North 371250

Location A616, Nr Hazel Gap Farm

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref SH29

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Coherent

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

Low voltage power lines.

Utilitarian agricultural buildings.

A616.

Welbeck Colliery: Spoil heaps and Mineral railway.

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Few

Visual Unity Score

5

this score equates to..

Unified

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

Some heathland along boundaries to fields and woodland. Acid grassland along road verges and as understorey to woodland.

Large areas of deciduous woodland.

Ecological Bases

Large blocks of deciduous and coniferous woodland.

No evidence of hedgerow trees.

Intact field pattern with hawthorn hedges.

Intensity of Land Use

Some rough grazing, but majority is medium-scale intensive arable farmland.

Commercial forestry.

Some intensive livestock farming (pigs) close to Meden Vale.

Additional Notes Good variety of habitats. Extensive areas of woodland.

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Moderate

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Deciduous woodlands.

Extent

Moderate tree cover.

Age Structure

Diverse age structure. Areas of mature woodland as well as recently planted areas.

Field Boundaries

Strong hawthorn hedgerows, trimmed but gappy.

Built Features

Stone and red brick houses. (Stone more dominant)

Red brick farmhouses.

Lady Margaret Hall (stone) - Part of Welbeck Estate.
Urban estate housing - Meden Vale and Church Warsop

Additional Notes

Overall Cultural Integrity Variable

Functional Integrity Score 4 *this score equates to..* Coherent

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

Recent development tends to exist in the western extent of the DPZ. Welbeck Colliery makes no effort to respect local vernacular, with buildings being of utilitarian design. Modern urban development in Meden Vale and Church Warsop does not resemble the vernacular housing found in Budby and Cuckney. Recent development tends to take the form of new estates, constructed from modern materials, in contrast to the vernacular housing built individually or in small groups, using stone or red brick.

Impact of built development Moderate

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

Pressure from expanding urban areas; moderate.
Farm intensification: expanding field sizes; moderate.

Impact of recent land use change localised

Overall Condition Summary Statement

Although the condition of the landscape is generally good, the historic pattern and land-uses shows evidence of being altered, with hedgerows removed to create larger fields, and coal mining and associated landuses showing little respect for the historic landscape character. Commercial forestry and arable farming are the dominant landuses, creating a matrix of fields and woodland.

Condition Overall Score 9 *this score equates to..* Good

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY**Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?****Woodlands**

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

Plantation woodlands on higher ground.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees

Trimmed but gappy hawthorn hedges.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Other Vegetation

Acid grassland to road verges and understorey of woodland.
Lime avenues.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Field Boundaries

Trimmed hedges, some gappy, with very occasional ditches.
Narrow grass verges.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Buildings

Stone cottages, red brick farmhouses.
Large country houses

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Highways

Straight roads.
Narrow hedged lanes.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Other Features

Welbeck Colliery & mineral railway
Great lake - Welbeck Abbey grounds.

Distinctiveness Unique/Rare

Continuity Recent

Settlements

Traditional villages - Cuckney, Norton and Budby.
Urban settlements: Meden Vale (Colliery village), Church Warsop

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Recent

Final distinctiveness Characteristic

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Sense of Place Score

4

this score equates to..

Moderate

Visibility

Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?

Open views to wooded higher ground beyond DPZ. Undulating landform is dominant.

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ?

Dominant

How wooded is the landscape ?

Intermittent

Views Score

5

this score equates to..

High

Sensitivity Overall Score

9

this score equates to..

High

Landscape Policy Score

18

this score equates to Landscape Polic

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LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref **SH30**

Draft Character Type **Sherwood**

Date **14/01/2009**

Surveyor **DH**

Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) **S34**

Conditions **Good, clear.**

OS East **456160**

OS North **377949**

Location **Entrance to Worksop Manor, Mansfield Road**

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref **SH30**

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Coherent

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

Busy roads (A60 and A57)

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Few

Visual Unity Score

5

this score equates to..

Unified

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

Heathland field margins.

Deciduous woodland.

Linear section of flood meadow.

Ponds within woodland.

SINCS? - CHECK LCP SURVEY SHEETS

Ecological Bases

Intact field pattern with hedgerow occasional hedgerow trees. Small woodland plantations are fragmented. West Wood and Menagerie Wood are 2 larger blocks of woodland at the north of the DPZ.

Intensity of Land Use

Intensive arable land with strong trimmed hedgerows. Less intensive parkland, woodland associated with Worksop Manor.

Additional Notes

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Moderate

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Deciduous woodland: 2 blocks of woodland to the north of the area, with smaller plantations dispersed throughout the rest of the area. Oak is the dominant species, with Beech coming a close second. Sycamore and Maple are also present. Mature parkland trees in Manor Park (mainly Oak), and some hedgerow trees.

Extent

Moderate tree coverage - mostly to the north of the area.

Age Structure

Blocks of woodland, plantations and parkland trees are reaching maturity, although there are some younger hedgerow trees.

Field Boundaries

Strong and well trimmed hawthorn hedgerows, reinforced with timber post and rail fencing. Timber field gates. Large stone wall along boundary to Worksop Manor dominates northern boundary along A60.

Built Features

Large stone manor house (Worksop Manor). Stone country house (Manor Park House). Stone estate cottages and gatehouse. Red brick houses and farmhouses with utilitarian agricultural barns.

Additional Notes

Overall Cultural Integrity Good

Functional Integrity Score 5 *this score equates to..* Strong

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

No evidence of new development. Most recent development is likely to be agricultural barns, which respect local vernacular in terms of siting and size, as they tend to be isolated or beside farmhouses, but they do not respect the local vernacular in terms of style, as they are not brick-built.

Impact of built development Low

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

Encroachment of urbanisation from Worksop - Low.
Removal of field boundaries (agricultural intensification) - Moderate.
Construction of new agricultural buildings - Low.

Impact of recent land use change insignificant

Overall Condition Summary Statement

The condition is good, with a network of well-managed arable fields and hedgerows interspersed with woodland plantations. The formal parkland attached to Worksop Manor also appears to be well-managed.

Condition Overall Score 10 *this score equates to..* Very Good

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY**Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?****Woodlands**

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

Oak/beechness woodland to the north of the area. Smaller isolated deciduous plantations across rest of area, interspersed with arable fields.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees

Trimmed hawthorn hedgerows with occasional Oak trees.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Other Vegetation

Bracken along field margins. Mature deciduous parkland trees, and some isolated mature deciduous trees within fields.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Field Boundaries

Hedge with broad grass verge along road. Some hedges reinforced by post and rail fences.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Buildings

Isolated red brick farmhouses and houses. Stone estate cottages and gatehouse. Large stone manor house and country house.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Highways

Curved and straight main roads (A57 to northern boundary and A60 along West boundary of area). Hedgeline

lanes with wide grass verges.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Other Features

Cemetery on northeastern corner, adjacent to A57.

Distinctiveness Indistinct

Continuity Recent

Settlements

None

Distinctiveness

Continuity

Final distinctiveness Characteristic

Final Continuity Historic

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Sense of Place Score

4

this score equates to..

Moderate

Visibility

Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?

Views limited within the area to the north, but from the rest of the area, views are available outside the area to the southwest and west. Views restricted by woodland blocks and urban area.

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ?

Apparent

How wooded is the landscape ?

Intermittent

Views Score

4

this score equates to..

Moderate

Sensitivity Overall Score

8

this score equates to..

Moderate

Landscape Policy Score

18

this score equates to Landscape Polic

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LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref **SH31**

Draft Character Type **Sherwood**

Date **14/01/2009**

Surveyor **DH**

Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) **S37, S38, S67**

Conditions **Clear, sunny**

OS East **460002**

OS North **376058**

Location **Entrance to Clumber Lane End Farm, looking West**

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref **SH31**

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Coherent

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

Individual dwellings along Ollerton Road which are not characteristic of the area.

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Few

Visual Unity Score

5

this score equates to..

Unified

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

Mosaic heathland and acid grassland, Medium-areas of scrubby oak / birch woodland with stag headed oaks,

SINCs? - check LCP sheets

Ecological Bases

Fragmented pattern of hedgerows around arable farmland. Infilling of timber post and rail fencing when grazed by stock. The majority of the area is covered by large blocks of mixed woodland with no boundaries present.

Intensity of Land Use

Low intensity. Majority mixed woodland, with some commercial scots pine plantations. Some fairly intensive arable land around fringes of plantations. Some small scale pasture with horses, although this is relatively localised.

Additional Notes

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Moderate

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Largely mixed woodland with heathland understorey. Species are Scots Pine and Birch with some Oak and Hawthorn. Some woodland blocks are either Birch or Scots Pine (i.e. not mixed), both with heathland understorey. No evidence of hedgerow trees. Historic parkland trees (manily Oak) within Welbeck Park.

Extent

The majority of this area is covered by woodland.

Age Structure

Diverse age structure, with some mature Scots Pine being felled, and evidence of newly planted blocks.

Field Boundaries

Where present (mainly around arable fields), hedgerows are hawthorn and tend to be strong and well trimmed, although some are gappy.

There are few field boundaries as there are few fields. Post and rail timber fencing has been used to replace or reinforce boundaries around paddocks/ pastoral land.

Built Features

Red brick farmhouses. Worksop College is an impressive red brick building (assume former stately home? Listed?). Stone estate cottages. Some non-vernacular dwellings, both red brick and rendered.

Additional Notes

Overall Cultural Integrity Good

Functional Integrity Score 5 this score equates to.. Strong

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

No evidence of recent development. There are a few isolated dwellings along Ollerton Road, which are probably the most recent - although they respect local character in terms of siting (isolated dwellings set within woodland), they do not respect the local vernacular in terms of style, as they are devoid of any characteristic features. Also 2-storey red-brick houses along the southern boundary of the A57 - do not respect local vernacular, as they are laid out as a housing estate or residential street, as opposed to being isolated dwellings.

Impact of built development Low

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

Increasing pressure from tourism: camping & caravan sites, wider roads, increased facilities and more parking - low.

Loss of woodland and habitat - low.

Encroachment of urbanisation - low.

Impact of recent land use change insignificant

Overall Condition Summary Statement

The area is in good condition with woodland covering the majority of the area. This shows evidence of management, with felling of mature woodland blocks and planting of new trees.

Condition Overall Score 10 this score equates to.. Very Good

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?

Woodlands

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

Mixed woodland plantations, Oak / birch woodland with heathland, Scots Pine woodland with heathland

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees

Few trimmed hawthorn hedges around arable fields with no hedgerow trees

Distinctiveness Indistinct

Continuity Historic

Other Vegetation

Bracken, Gorse and heathland along road verges and forming understorey of woodland. Acid grassland in more open areas which are not intensively farmed.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Ancient

Field Boundaries

Trimmed hedge, Post and rail,

Distinctiveness Indistinct

Continuity Recent

Buildings

Isolated Farms, Large country houses (Worksop College), Red brick cottages / houses, Stone Estate Cottages. 1930-50s red brick 2 storey houses along southern boundary of A57.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Highways

Straight roads, mostly open onto woodland.

Distinctiveness Continuity **Other Features**Distinctiveness Continuity **Settlements**Distinctiveness Continuity Final distinctivene Final Continuity To support final di To support final co Sense of Place Score *this score equates to..* **Visibility****Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?**Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ? How wooded is the landscape ? Views Score *this score equates to..* Sensitivity Overall Score *this score equates to..* Landscape Policy Score *this score equates to Landscape Polic*

LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref SH32

Draft Character Type Sherwood

Date 29/06/2009

Surveyor KMS

Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) S35

Conditions Bright and clear

OS East 462500

OS North 374500

Location National Trust Clumber Park Visitor Centre

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref SH32

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Coherent

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

A614

Caravan Parks

Radio mast

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Few

Visual Unity Score

5

this score equates to..

Unified

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

Coniferous and mixed woodland with pockets of heathland

Extensive area of open water (serpentine lake) created along a river course

Ecological Bases

Extensive coverage with coniferous and mixed woodland with parkland and areas of farmland; principally to the south and north-east

Field boundaries are inconsistent: frequently defined by adjacent woodland but often removed internally.

Several miles of verges through woodland and across the DPZ

Heathland surrounded by woodland and parkland

All habitats well maintained by National Trust and Forestry Commission with some movement from coniferous plantation to broadleaved woodland.

Intensity of Land Use

Extensive areas of woodland and parkland with some pleasure grounds and gardens, plus pockets of heathland and scattered intensive agricultural land. Principally low intensity.

Additional Notes

Good range and coverage of habitat. Large quantity of Clumber Park (1000 acres) is designated a SSSI and the Park is Grade 1 classification on the English Heritage Register of Parks and Gardens.

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Strong

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Mixed woodland and coniferous plantation

Parkland

Heathland

Extent

Extensive coverage: no less than 50%

Age Structure

Diverse age structure: some mature woodland, some replanting and some newer broadleaf woodland planting.

Field Boundaries

Largely non-existent, predominantly due to the coverage by woodland. Areas of agricultural land present are often defined by surrounding woodland, but internal boundaries have frequently been removed through farming intensification. Some hedgerows can be found in the south.

Built Features

Number of Hunting Lodges and cottages throughout, properties and buildings comprising Hardwick Village.
Thoresby Hall and Hotel
Out buildings and remnant parts of Clumber House
Bridges across Clumber Lake (south-west end)

LISTED BUILDINGS

Thoresby Hall and Hotel (Grade I)
Lincoln Stables (Grade II)
Limestone bridge (Grade II*)
Roman Temple (Grade II)
Greek Temple (Grade II*)
Drayton Entrance (Grade II*)
Apley Head Lodge (Grade II*)
Truman's Lodge (Grade II)
Carburton Lodge (Grade II)
South Lodge (Grade II)
Normanton Gates (Grade II*)
The Duke's Study (Grade II)

Additional Notes

Overall Cultural Integrity

Functional Integrity Score this score equates to..

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

Many of the buildings within the Clumber Estate grounds are 18th Century; the former house itself dating to 1772. The South Lodge and Manton Lodge are early 19th Century. All buildings (including outbuildings, entrances and bridges) are in a similar style.
Some conversion of the remaining outbuildings has taken place to provide visitor facilities for the National Trust, although no development as such has occurred. All renovation and related work respects the local vernacular.

Impact of built development

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

Modification to parking facilities - little impact as these are existing
Programmed gradual felling of some areas of coniferous plantation for replacement with broadleaved woodland - positive impact and weak in nature.

Impact of recent land use change

Overall Condition Summary Statement

The character of the landscape is well maintained by virtue to the majority of the area being under the ownership of the National Trust and much of the woodland being managed by the Forestry Commission. Clumber Park is in good condition, with built structures, hedgerows, woodland and walls all managed by the two Bodies; as applicable.

Condition Overall Score this score equates to..

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

DPZ Ref SH32

Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?

Woodlands

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

Calloughton Wood (mixed)
Lodge Brake Plantation (mixed)
Apley Head Wood (mixed)
Rough Hill Wood (deciduous)

Sharp's Hill (mixed)
 King Charles's Breck (coniferous)
 Hardwick Wood (mixed)
 White Pheasant Wood (mixed)
 Ash Tree Hill Wood (principally deciduous)
 Osberton Round (mixed)
 Heron Hill Wood (principally coniferous)
 Clumber Old Wood (coniferous)
 Burnt Oak Plantation (principally coniferous)
 Cottage Plantation (coniferous)
 Burnt Oak Wood (principally deciduous)
 Woodcockhill Plantation (coniferous)
 Holywell Wood (coniferous)
 Westfield Wood (coniferous)
 Nursery Wood (mixed)
 Thorney Hill (mixed)
 Five Thorns Plantation (mixed)
 Claypit Wood (coniferous)
 Boathouse Plantation (mixed)
 Tank Wood (mixed)
 Cabin Hill Covert (principally deciduous)
 Morris Dancer's Plantation (mixed)
 Spready Oaks (mixed)

Numerous blocks, clumps and band of woodland (deciduous, mixed and coniferous)

Distinctiveness Unique/Rare

Continuity Ancient

Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees

Few hedgerows: largely removed where forming internal field boundaries, although they are maintained where they fall under the remit of the National Trust or Forestry Commission

Distinctiveness Indistinct

Continuity Historic

Other Vegetation

Some scrub amongst woodland, although not widespread. Heathland is a feature, and some grassland (often grazed) is evident. An avenue of Limes sit along Limetree Avenue across the north-west corner of the area. Areas of bracken are under management to prevent undue spread.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Ancient

Field Boundaries

Some hedgerows.
 Where fields exist, many boundaries are defined by surrounding woodland or plantations

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Buildings

Stone and brick out buildings, chapel and village dwellings/buildings (Hardwick village)

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Highways

Roads and tracks including footpaths and cycle tracks.
 Only one public road through the Park: Limetree Avenue. Netherfield Lane (connecting the A616 and A614) is near the southern boundary.
 The B6034 and A614 flank the west and east boundaries respectively.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Other Features

Disused pit (now vegetated) in Holywell Wood.
 Visitor facilities for the National Trust at Clumber Park

Distinctiveness Unique/Rare

Continuity Recent

Settlements

Hardwick Village

DPZ Ref **SH32**Distinctiveness **Characteristic**Continuity **Historic**Final distinctivene **Unique/Rare**Final Continuity **Ancient**To support final di To support final co Sense of Place Score **6***this score equates to..* **Very Strong****Visibility****Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?**

Views within the DPZ are controlled by frequent and extensive woodland and plantation. Longer vistas are located at more 'designed' locations, such as along and across the lake and along the River Poulter in the east. Longer views are also channelled along the Limetree avenue. Views into and out of the DPZ are limited due to the presence of woodland throughout and along the boundaries.

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ? **Dominant**How wooded is the landscape ? **Enclosed**Views Score **4** *this score equates to..* **Moderate**Sensitivity Overall Score **10** *this score equates to..* **Very High**Landscape Policy Score **20** *this score equates to Landscape Polic* **conserve**

LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref SH33

Draft Character Type Sherwood

Date 30/04/2009

Surveyor KMS

Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) S33

Conditions cloudy with showers and sunny intervals

OS East 466300

OS North 373350

Location Un-named Lane south-east of Narmanton Larches Farm

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref SH33

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Unified

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

Oil Well

Pylons and high voltage power lines

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Few

Visual Unity Score

6

this score equates to..

Strongly unified

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

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2/405 Bothamsall Lane Verges - roadside verges with valuable and diverse flora

5/154 Poulter Valley Plantation (west) - conifer plantation with relict areas of semi-natural deciduous woodland

Semi-natural deciduous woodlands

Coniferous plantation

Mixed plantation woodlands

Ecological Bases

Hedgerows and woodland provide a largely strong network across the DPZ into surrounding landscape, and connecting into woodland in all directions; most notably the east and west.

Intensity of Land Use

Pig farming extending into the central parts of the DPZ from the East.

Intensive arable land interspersed with strong tracts of plantation and remnant deciduous woodland, particularly in the north.

Additional Notes

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Strong

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Semi-natural relict deciduous woodland and mixed and coniferous plantation

Extent

Moderate to high coverage: 25-30%

Age Structure

Largely mature

Field Boundaries

Trimmed hedges, gappy in some places.

Some boundaries removed or missing within areas entirely or partially enclosed by woodland.

Many boundaries formed by virtue of being adjacent to woodland and plantations

Built Features

Red brick farmhouses

Additional Notes**Overall Cultural Integrity** Good**Functional Integrity Score** 6 *this score equates to..* Very Strong

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

No development apparent

Impact of built development Low

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

Expansion of pig farming further into an arable landscape leading potentially to loss of hedgerows and erection of post and wire fencing

Impact of recent land use change localised**Overall Condition Summary Statement**

Landscape is arable with significant areas of woodland, and with the exception of some loss of internal hedgerows in localised areas the integrity of the landscape appears intact. Pylons cross the eastern section south to north, although this is the only urban influence.

Condition Overall Score 10 *this score equates to..* Very Good**LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY****Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?****Woodlands**

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

Coniferous plantations
Relict deciduous woodland
Mixed plantation woodland**Distinctiveness** Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees**

Trimmed hedges. Hedgerow trees are rare.

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Other Vegetation**

Avenues of trees along West Drayton Avenue. Some trees along roadside verges

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Field Boundaries**

Trimmed hedges

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Buildings**Clumber Park Hotel
Isolated farmsteads**Distinctiveness** Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Highways**Straight roads (A614)
narrow hedgerlined lanes with consistent grass verges (some with valuable diverse flora)**Distinctiveness** Characteristic**Continuity** Historic

Other Features

none

Distinctiveness**Continuity****Settlements**

none

Distinctiveness**Continuity****Final distinctiveness**

Unique/Rare

Final Continuity

Historic

To support final diProportionate coverage by
plantation or woodland is
unique**To support final co****Sense of Place Score****5***this score equates to..***Strong****Visibility****Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?**

Views from land in the southern portion of the DPZ are more open due to the flat nature of the land, and more elevated landform in this area, particularly to the east. Land to the north is slightly lower, and typically surrounded by woodland and plantation to prevent any more than short range views.

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ?

Apparent

How wooded is the landscape ?

Enclosed

Views Score**3***this score equates to..***Low****Sensitivity Overall Score****8***this score equates to..***Moderate****Landscape Policy Score****18***this score equates to Landscape Polic***conserve**

LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref SH34

Draft Character Type Sherwood

Date 15/12/2008

Surveyor DH, EK

Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) S82

Conditions Clear

OS East 464800

OS North 376200

Location A614, Blyth Road (Sharp's Hill)

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref SH34

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Coherent

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

High voltage power lines.
Water storage reservoir.
A1 - busy road.

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Some

Visual Unity Score

4

this score equates to..

Coherent

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

Heathland to road verges.

Ecological Bases

Dense block of deciduous woodland connects into hedgerows.
Intact field pattern with Hawthorn hedgerows.

Intensity of Land Use

High intensive arable farming.

Additional Notes

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Moderate

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Heathland and oak.

Extent

Moderate coverage.

Age Structure

Reaching maturity.

Field Boundaries

Narrow, well-trimmed hedgerows with some gaps.

Built Features

Red brick isolated cottages and farmhouse.

Additional Notes

Overall Cultural Integrity Good

Functional Integrity Score

5

this score equates to..

Strong

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

N/A

Impact of built development

Low

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

Farm intensification: Enlarging of fields, new agricultural development.

Impact of recent land use change

insignificant

Overall Condition Summary Statement

Integrity of landscape largely intact, although some hedgerows have been removed to create larger fields. Evidence of woodland management. Buildings are located close to woodland, limiting their impact on the surrounding landscape.

Condition Overall Score

9

this score equates to..

Good

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY**Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?****Woodlands**

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

Deciduous woodland.

Distinctiveness

Characteristic

Continuity

Historic

Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees

Very few hedgerow trees.

Trimmed hawthorn hedges around fields.

Distinctiveness

Characteristic

Continuity

Historic

Other Vegetation

Heathland.

Distinctiveness

Indistinct

Continuity

Ancient

Field Boundaries

Trimmed hedge

Distinctiveness

Characteristic

Continuity

Historic

Buildings

Isolated red brick farmhouses.

Works buildings.

Red brick cottages.

Distinctiveness

Characteristic

Continuity

Historic

Highways

Narrow hedged lanes.

A1 - straight, wide road.

Distinctiveness

Characteristic

Continuity

Historic

Other Features

Water storage reservoir.

Distinctiveness

Indistinct

Continuity

Historic

Settlements

None

Distinctiveness**Continuity****Final distinctiveness**

Characteristic

Final Continuity

Historic

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Sense of Place Score 4

this score equates to.. Moderate

Visibility

Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?

Within due to hedgerows and tree cover.

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ? Dominant

How wooded is the landscape ? Enclosed

Views Score 4 this score equates to.. Moderate

Sensitivity Overall Score 8 this score equates to.. Moderate

Landscape Policy Score 17 this score equates to Landscape Polic Conserve and Reinforce

LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref SH35

Draft Character Type Sherwood

Date 27/06/2007

Surveyor KW/HMJ

Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) LCP 42, and LCP 43

Conditions cloudy, light showers, following heavy rain OS East 67010

OS North 74346

Location Redhill Lane, junction with West Drayton Ave

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref SH35

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Coherent

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

Pit tips well restored, good wildlife habitat

Disused airfield, concrete hard standing remaining in eastern corner of the area

Few low voltage power lines, not major detractors

A1 cuts through eastern edge of area but otherwise quiet roads

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Few

Visual Unity Score

5

this score equates to..

Unified

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habitat

Designated areas include:-

Adjacent MLA 52 Elkesley and MLA 54 West Drayton

Poulter Valley plantation(east) - BioSINC 2005b - 5/153

Markham Moor grasslands - BioSINC NBGRC 2005b - 2/617

West Drayton woodland - BioSINC NBGRC 2005b - 5/155

Lawn Covert - BioSINC NBGRC 2005b - 5/304

Bothamsall scrub - BioSINC 2005b - 2/406

Bothamsall Lane verges - BioSINC NBGRC 2005b - 2/405

Main habitat types include:-

Arable farmland and areas of mixed woodland, mixed species hedgerows, heathland to rides of the coniferous forestry areas, open water includes Meden valley to east and lakes within restored colliery area, avenue of mature trees runs east-west, small areas of pasture around Bothamsall and in Meden valley.

Ecological Bases

Generally mixed hedgerows, some hedgerow trees- Ash, Oak and West Drayton Avenue runs through the area. 40% field system intact, most remaining field and lane boundaries are historic and present on Sanderson plan.

Intensity of Land Use

Arable fields with strong hedgerows and some small woodlands, moderate intensity of use

Additional Notes

Small woodlands and hedgerows but also much open arable area

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Moderate

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Cottage plantation- Sanderson plan outline

Lawn covert- predominantly coniferous with small areas of mature deciduous woodland and Lime avenue

Cocked hat plantations- Sanderson plan outline

Broom hill/Elkesley wood-Sanderson plan - mixed deciduous woodland - Oak, Birch, Poplar with recent coniferous infill

Great Birch holt -Sanderson plan outline
 Fox Covert-
 West Drayton Avenue - mature

Some more recently planted mixed woodlands on the restored colliery site.

Extent

Moderate tree coverage

Age Structure

Diverse age structure generally

Elkesley wood - over mature and in decline

Coniferous - mature/even age structure

Bevercotes colliery recent planting

Lawn covert - central core over mature and in decline

Field Boundaries

Mixed, some field boundaries fragmented, some intact and strong but not trimmed

Built Features

Red brick farmhouses for example Haughton Park House Farm and Beggar's Rest, Haughton Kennels Farm now rendered over

Bothamsall village core intact with no outward expansion, some small amounts of infill within village in keeping with the character.

Additional Notes Good within Bothamsall village but balanced by derelict areas adjacent to the colliery

Overall Cultural Integrity Variable

Functional Integrity Score 4 *this score equates to..* Coherent

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

Small amount of development which generally does respect the local vernacular

Haughton Kennels Farm some expansion is apparent around the farm including chicken sheds

Impact of built development Low

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

More coniferous plantations possible, felling practices will have an impact

Development of derelict eastern area adjacent to colliery will have an impact

Possible sand extraction and fishing lakes development in colliery area.

Possible development to east around Lound Hall - log cabins

Impact of recent land use change localised

Overall Condition Summary Statement

Field pattern in western area intact with little expansion of Bothamsall village

Condition less good on eastern side where field pattern has been totally lost due to colliery and associated development.

Condition Overall Score 9 *this score equates to..* Good

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?

Woodlands

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

Isolated blocks of mixed woodland some of which are present on Sanderson plan

Some coniferous woodland around older core of Lawn Covert

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees

Holly within hedgerows around Bothamsall village core
Mixed hedgerows with occasional trees throughout area.

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Other Vegetation**

West Drayton Avenue consists of mixed species Horse Chestnut and Sweet Chestnut, some Oak, avenue peters out in the west where within arable area and farmed up to base of tree..

Distinctiveness Unique/Rare**Continuity** Historic**Field Boundaries**

Hedges with ditches present

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Buildings**

Bothamsall conservation area no.102

Listed buildings

Grade II - No name (Haughton Kennels Farm)- Gen Ref 1.7.7

Grade LIE - The Lodge - Gen Ref 1.61.33

Grade II - No name (Haughton Park House Farm) -Gen Ref 1.7.11

Within Bothamsall:-

Grade SS - Thornfield - Gen Ref 1.7.20

Grade II - No name - Gen Ref 1.7.6

Grade II- No name - Gen Ref 1.7.2

Grade SS - 25 and 26 Church Lane - Gen Ref 1.7.23

Grade LI - No name - Gen Ref 1.7.4

Grade SS - 29 and 30 Main Street - Gen Ref 1.7.16

Grade II - No name - 1.7.10

Grade SS - Meadow Way - Gen Ref 1.7.27

Grade SS -5 Main street - Gen Ref 1.7.19

Grade SS - The Post Office - Gen Ref 1.7.21

Grade LI - No name - Gen Ref 1.7.3

Grade II- No name - Gen Ref 1.7.1

Grade SS - Barn south of Church of St Peters - Gen Ref 1.7.15

Grade SS - 19 Main Street - Gen Ref 1.7.28

Grade SS - 22 and 23 Main Street - Gen Ref 1.7.13

Grade SS - 20 and 21 Main Street - Gen Ref 1.7.12

Grade SS - 24 Main Street - Gen Ref 1.7.14

Isolated farmhouses

Mainly red brick cottages and houses with tiled roofs.

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Highways**

Narrow hedged lanes, even main roads follow routes on Sanderson plan

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Other Features**

Restored Bevercotes colliery

Short section of disused railway line adjacent to colliery area.

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Settlements**

Bothamsall village only and isolated farms.

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Final distinctivene** Characteristic**Final Continuity** Historic

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Sense of Place Score 4

this score equates to.. Moderate

Visibility**Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?**

Some long distance views to the west and north, closed by wooded ridge lines.

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ? Apparent**How wooded is the landscape ?** Intermittent

Views Score 4 this score equates to.. Moderate

Sensitivity Overall Score 8 this score equates to.. Moderate

Landscape Policy Score 17 this score equates to Landscape Polic Conserve and Reinforce

LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref SH36

Draft Character Type Sherwood

Date 27/06/2007

Surveyor HMJ/KW

Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) LCP 26

Conditions showery, cloudy after heavy rain

OS East 67014

OS North 74347

Location Redhill Lane - junction with West Drayton Ave.

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref SH36

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Unified

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

small area of industrial development at Crookford Hill which extends to boundary of DPZ, few low voltage power lines, A614 cuts through to the west of the DPZ.

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Few

Visual Unity Score

6

this score equates to..

Strongly unified

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

Designated sites include:-

Adjacent to MLA 52 Elkesley

Poulter valley plantation (east) BioSINC NBGRC 2005b
West Drayton Woodland - BioSINC NBGRC 2005b
The Old Cliff, Elkesley - GeoSINC NBGRC 2004b
Clumber Park SSSI

Main habitat types include:-

Coniferous woodland as infill to mixed deciduous woodland, extensive stands of Poplar, marshy areas close to river, riverside vegetation, open water of River Poulter.

Ecological Bases

Woodland and river habitats provide a good ecological corridor between Clumber Park and West Drayton woodland areas.

Intensity of Land Use

Coniferous plantations, poplar plantations, interspersed with mixed woodland, moderate intensity of land use.

Additional Notes A high proportion of the area is wooded including mixed deciduous woodland.

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Strong

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Bracken Hill/Spitfire bottoms/Spitfire Hill/Patmore/Broom Hill/Elkesley Wood - continuous belt of woodland - mixed deciduous woodland oak, ash, poplar stands, willow close to river with coniferous infill in patches

Extent

80% woodland cover

Age Structure

Overmature and in decline in some areas eg Elkesley wood- fallen poplar after recent heavy rains , Coniferous areas mature/identical age structure, little or no management apparent, small amount of regeneration within the

deciduous wooded areas.

Field Boundaries

none existent

Built Features

None, no built structures except for West bridge and more recent footbridges.

Additional Notes

Historic river corridor reflecting Sanderson pattern of woodland, but no buildings or structures.

Overall Cultural Integrity

Poor

Functional Integrity Score

4

this score equates to..

Coherent

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

No built development except for adjacent industrial development at Crookford Hill

Impact of built development

Low

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

Changes in forestry practices - felling of coniferous woodland, expansion of forestry areas, expansion of industrial area, continuation of low intensity of management and maintenance of deciduous woodland

Impact of recent land use change

localised

Overall Condition Summary Statement

Unified in terms of its land use and with a strong ecological character, but landscape condition could be improved by management and maintenance of deciduous woodland areas. Has a strong sense of place especially to the western end of the river corridor, not so strong in coniferous woodland as this is more typical of Sherwood.

Condition Overall Score

10

this score equates to..

Very Good

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY**Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?****Woodlands**

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

small coniferous plantations as infill between mixed deciduous woodland, poplar plantations, riverside tree species

unusual in the sense that woodland comes close to the river edge, unlike Maun and Meden valley which are open

Distinctiveness

Unique/Rare

Continuity

Historic

Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees

no hedgerows

Distinctiveness**Continuity****Other Vegetation**

Wetland and marshy areas adjacent to River Poulter, bracken and acid grassland within coniferous areas

Distinctiveness

Characteristic

Continuity

Historic

Field Boundaries

None

Distinctiveness**Continuity****Buildings**

Grade II* - No name (West Bridge) - Gen Ref 1.20.2

no other buildings present within area except for recent bridges to River Poulter.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Highways

A614 crossing is only major route.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Other Features

Clumber Park to the east

Distinctiveness Unique/Rare

Continuity Historic

Settlements

none

Distinctiveness

Continuity

Final distinctivene Unique/Rare

Final Continuity Historic

To support final di unique/rare score given for wooded river corridor which is not characteristic of Sherwood, as well as east valley running into NT Clumber Park.

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Sense of Place Score 5

this score equates to.. Strong

Visibility

Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?

Restricted by woodland cover in most parts of the DPZ.

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ? Apparent

How wooded is the landscape ? Enclosed

Views Score 3 this score equates to.. Low

Sensitivity Overall Score 8 this score equates to.. Moderate

Landscape Policy Score 18 this score equates to Landscape Polic conserve

LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref **SH37**Draft Character Type **Sherwood**Date **17/05/2006**Surveyor **TB/NA**Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) **S61, S63 (small western area on edge of MLA), S65**Conditions **Cloudy,**OS East **459600**OS North **381000**Location **B6045 near Forest Hill**

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref **SH37**

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Incoherent

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

To the west of the B6045 - Mineral extraction active sand quarry (partially restored by landfill and recently planted household waste recycling plant. Warehousing and storage sheds, large caravan sales park and light industrial use. Variety of tall palisade and chain-link fencing to boundaries of non agricultural activities in rural area. Telecommunications mast. Fly tipping common on outskirts of Worksop and nearby lanes and bridleways.. Some large scale farm buildings.

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?**Many****Visual Unity Score****2****this score equates to..****Significantly interrupted**

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

Woodland blocks and linear belts of trees, interlocking in places. Mature mixed woodland including Sycamore, Oak, Sweet Chestnut, Scot's Pine etc.

Broom Covert - Heathland Register

Red Barn/Disused Sandpit - Heathland Register

GeoSincs:-

Crossley Hill Lane 2004b- ref, 2/1032

Carlton Forest Quarry 2004b - ref, 2/1031

BioSincs:-

Carlton Sand Quarry 2005b - Ref: 5/124

Long Wood, Hodsock 2005b - Ref:5/120

Kegham End Plantation 2005b - Ref:2/560

Hundred Acre Wood 2005b - Ref:5/123

Ecological Bases

Hedgerows and field margins provide good network, although gappy and fragmented in places. Hedgerow trees in places but mostly low trimmed hedgerows. Some lanes and bridleways have taller species (eg. Red Lane and bridleway to north of golf course - wide track with Hawthorn, Elder, Gorse and Bracken.

Mixed species woodland blocks and coniferous tree belts.

Intensity of Land Use

Intensive arable farming, mostly with low trimmed gappy hedgerows. Fly tipping is common on lanes and bridleways off B6045 .

Intensive non-agricultural landuses to the west, off the B6045 - mineral extraction, light industry, commercial and warehousing/storage facilities and recycling depot.

Large scale agricultural sheds.

Additional Notes

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Mature mixed woodland blocks, Sycamore, Oak Sweet Chestnut, Ash, Beach, Hawthorn. Coniferous blocks and linear belts. Some Hedgerow trees and tall hawthorn etc to bridleways and narrow lanes. Typical golf-course landscape with mixture of native and ornamental species.

Extent

Moderate coverage.

Age Structure

Majority of woodland is mature. Some recent woodland planting to restored sandpit and golf course.

Field Boundaries

Generally poorly maintained - low trimmed gappy hedgerows. Some boundaries with tall outgrown hawthorn to roadsides (Red Lane, track to north of golf course and bridleway south of Carlton Forest Farm). Some hedgerow trees including Oak and Hawthorn along roadside boundaries. Hedgerows to roadsides are generally in better condition than internal boundaries.

Built Features

Warehousing and industrial buildings - large corrugated sheds. Golf course club-house - red brick with slate roof. Some more recent red brick residential properties off B6045.

Listed Buildings:-

Peaks Hill Farm Grade LIE - Ref: 1.9.56

@ Hodsock Manor Farm - Grade II - Ref: 1.29.8

@Forest Hill East - Grade II - Ref: 1.65.3 - 1.65.2 - 1.65.1 (3 buildings)

Additional Notes

Overall Cultural Integrity Variable

Functional Integrity Score 4 *this score equates to..* Coherent

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

Development to the west of B6045 does not respect local vernacular or character. Tall security fencing is out of place in rural areas. Large scale agricultural sheds do not respect local vernacular. Golf course club house is red brick and suits character of the urban fringe.

Impact of built development Moderate

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

Expansion of light industry/commercial development along B6045 - Moderate

Possible expansion of Sandpit - Moderate

Loss of mature woodland to arable farming - Moderate

Possible expansion of Worksop to north - moderate/strong.

Impact of recent land use change localised

Overall Condition Summary Statement

Area to the west of the B6045 and eastern urban fringes of Worksop show signs of neglect and piece-meal and industrial development. Fly tipping is common along bridleways and narrow lanes and there is evidence of burnt out cars. Nature of development is unsightly and poorly screened. Golf course to the east of worksop is well maintained, although there is fly tipping to the northern boundary. Hedgerows are generally trimmed low and often gappy in places.

Condition Overall Score 6 *this score equates to..* Very Poor

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?**Woodlands**

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

Mixed species blocks and linear belts. Coniferous linear belts are common.

Distinctiveness **Continuity** **Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees**

Majority of hedgerows are trimmed hawthorn with occasional hedgerow trees. Some taller hawthorn, elder etc to lanes.

Distinctiveness **Continuity** **Other Vegetation**

Heathland vegetation along bridleway - gorse and bracken.

Distinctiveness **Continuity** **Field Boundaries**

Mostly low trimmed hawthorn hedgerows. Variable verges. Some post and wire fencing. Tall palisade/chain link fencing has replaced hedging to edges of non-agricultural land uses.

Distinctiveness **Continuity** **Buildings**

Isolated farms. A few residential roadside properties on B6045. Industrial buildings a mixture of corrugated metal and brick.

Distinctiveness **Continuity** **Highways**

Straight Roads

Distinctiveness **Continuity** **Other Features**

Sports field to the north of golf course. Golf course. Mineral Site(active sand extraction). Associated household waste and recycling. Network of Bridleways and tracks particularly to the east of the B6045.

Distinctiveness **Continuity** **Settlements**

Urban fringes of Worksop.

Distinctiveness **Continuity** **Final distinctiveness** **Final Continuity**

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Sense of Place Score *this score equates to..* **Visibility****Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?**

Views are generally beyond boundary of DPZ although landform and trees restrict views in places.

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ? **How wooded is the landscape ?****Views Score** *this score equates to..* **Sensitivity Overall Score** *this score equates to..* **Landscape Policy Score** *this score equates to Landscape Polic*

LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref **SH38**

Draft Character Type **Sherwood**

Date **02/05/2006**

Surveyor **NA/TB**

Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) **S68**

Conditions **Cloudy**

OS East **461838**

OS North **385789**

Location **Minor Road to Hodsock Priory off B6045**

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref **SH38**

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Coherent

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

Urban fringes of Worksop - disused scrubland around pumping station. Some graffiti and litter to parkland in centre of worksop. Commercial activity on B6040 on Eastern fringes of Worksop. B6040 and B6079 feature strongly in South of Area. Pylons and railway line cross the area to the east of Worksop. Pylons also cross the area to the north, to the west of Blyth.

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Some

Visual Unity Score

4

this score equates to..

Coherent

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

Bio SINCS:-

Low Wood, Hodsock - 2005b-5/120

Ash Holt and Hodsock Red Bridge - 2005b - 2/564

Plantation Lane, Blyth - 500b - 2/410

Ash Holt Hodsock - 2005b - 5/118

Chequer Bottoms - 2/411

Osberton Woodland (i) & (ii) - 2005b - 5/158 and 2005b - 5/159

Chesterfield Canal (Shireoaks to Welham) - 2005b - 2/261

Scrubland around Pumping Station, mainly Brambles with some Hawthorn.

Linear sections of flood meadows to waters edge. Gorse to valley side to the south of the area. Small areas of deciduous woodland including Poplar plantations. Wet meadow features in North of area with rushes etc.

Ecological Bases

Strong Hawthorn hedgerows feature in area. Tall Holly hedgerow opposite Lodge on approach to Hodsock Priory Farm. Small isolated patches of deciduous woodland feature to waters edge and connect to hedgerows. Hedgerows replaced by post and wire fencing in places.

Intensity of Land Use

Low intensity farming with permanent improved pasture. Horse grazing within Osberton. Some arable farming to North of area.

Additional Notes **River itself provides a wildlife corridor together with adjacent hedgerows and woodland.**

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Strong

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Isolated patches of deciduous woodland and some linear wooded areas along the river. Osberton parkland includes fringes of mature woodland to waters edge including Beech, Oak, Scot's Pine, Willows, Alder and Poplar. Many small scale Poplar plantations feature to waters edge. Willows and Alder are also common to waters edge.

Extent

Moderate coverage.

Age Structure

Mixture of mature mixed woodland and more recently planted Poplar plantations.

Field Boundaries

Mixed, some strong hedgerows along transport routes, mostly hawthorn (some of which have been laid). Some boundaries to pasture are post and wire fencing. Old metal fencing in poor condition to the North of the River on the Eastern fringes of Worksop. Metal security fencing to industrial/commercial properties on western fringes of Worksop. Old Pumping Station surrounded by concrete post and wire fencing - in poor condition..

Built Features

Some single storey brick building to edge of parkland in Worksop. Industrial buildings and disused Victorian pumping station to south of river near Worksop. Large red brick railway bridge crosses the area to the east of worksop. Small stone bridges cross River Ryton at regular intervals. Lodge to east of Hodsock Priory Farm is a vernacular stone building.

Additional Notes Overall it is very good, but fringes of worksop detract from rest of area.**Overall Cultural Integrity** Variable**Functional Integrity Score** **5** *this score equates to..* **Strong**

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

Park in town centre has sense of place, yet play area and skate park detract from character, graffiti and litter are evident within park. Non-vernacular bungalows feature to centre of Worksop on edge of open grass area. Attractive red brick pumping station is now disused and surrounded by scrub vegetation. Lodge on approach to Hodsock Priory Farm is stone vernacular with tall holly hedge on roadside.

Impact of built development Low

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

Expansion of arable land use with loss of pasture - moderate.
Expansion of built development within Worksop - moderate.
Increase in woodland planting resulting in loss of pasture - moderate.

Impact of recent land use change localised**Overall Condition Summary Statement**

Generally good condition. Mature park to centre of worksop, with mature Limes and mature Hawthorn to waters edge - children's play area, skate-park, graffiti and litter, detract from the character. Non vernacular bungalows lie on the eastern fringe of Worksop, with the Chesterfield Canal behind and grass parkland and the River Ryton to the south. Industrial land/commercial activity adjacent to the B6040 (outside the DPZ) detracts from the character of the area. Pylons and railway line crosses the area to the east of Worksop. A1 to the east and B6079 to the south are detracting features. Away from Worksop there are few detracting features. The majority of land use is pasture and woodland cover. Within Osberton Park there are small man-made lakes with areas of mature mixed woodland and pasture. Most hedgerows are well maintained.

Condition Overall Score **9** *this score equates to..* **Good****LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY****Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?****Woodlands**

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

Isolated blocks and linear areas of woodland along river valley. Small scale Poplar plantations feature regularly.

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees**

Mostly Hawthorn hedgerows with some holly in places.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Other Vegetation

Parkland trees within Osberton Park and within park to centre of Worksop. Scrubland to pumping station. Gorse to valley side in south of area. Wet pasture to north of area.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Field Boundaries

Trimmed Hawthorn hedgerows in good condition. Some mature holly hedging to the north near Lodge.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Buildings

Historic stone lodge. Nonvernacular bungalows within Worksop. Victorian Pumping Station. Industrial buildings in worksop on edges.

Several Listed buildings, including Sewage Pumping Station, canal aquaduct and bridges.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Highways

Narrow hedged lanes. Bridleways (well maintained hedged lined tarmaced roads) cross the area in several places. Straight B-roads and a C road. Bridges are typically narrow and constructed from stone.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Other Features

Distinctiveness

Continuity

Settlements

Settlements include fringes of Worksop and Settlement at Osberton Park (Scofton).

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

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Sense of Place Score 4

this score equates to.. Moderate

Visibility**Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?**

Area is narrow river corridor that looks onto higher open farmland. Some views enclosed by woodland to waters edge. Within Worksop views restricted by built development.

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ? Apparent

How wooded is the landscape ? Intermittent

Views Score 4 this score equates to.. Moderate

Sensitivity Overall Score 8 this score equates to.. Moderate

Landscape Policy Score 17 this score equates to Landscape Polic Conserve and Reinforce

LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref SH39

Draft Character Type Sherwood

Date 15/12/2008

Surveyor DH, EK

Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) S60

Conditions Clear, Sunny

OS East 000000

OS North 000000

Location A1

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref SH39

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Coherent

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

A1 runs along the eastern boundary of the DPZ. Low voltage power lines. Agricultural sheds detracting from characteristic vernacular farm buildings.

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Few

Visual Unity Score

5

this score equates to..

Unified

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

Heathland found along road verges. Blocks of Scots Pine and broadleaved woodland with open canopy: grassland beneath, blocks of deciduous woodland connecting into hawthorn hedgerows. The DPZ is bounded by the River Ryton to the west.

Assume no designations?

Ecological Bases

Hedgerows and field margins provide good green network. Intact field pattern with mature hedgerow trees (mostly Oak).

Intensity of Land Use

Highly intensive arable land with hedges mainly hawthorn and strongly trimmed. Small belts of broadleaved woodland along verges, with larger blocks of coniferous plantation throughout the DPZ, some adjacent to roads.

Additional Notes

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Moderate

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Pine is the dominant mature tree species also mixed and coniferous. low coverage mainly blocks, some along road verges.

Extent

Low coverage mainly blocks, some along road verges.

Age Structure

Mature, no evidence of younger trees or replanting schemes.

Field Boundaries

Strong well trimmed hedgerows, predominantly intact, some with hedgerow trees.

Built Features

Isolated red brick farmhouses and farm buildings. Little or no evidence of modern housing. Osberton Hall and associated parkland at the south west. Also Chesterfield Canal running through the south of the DPZ.

Additional Notes

Overall Cultural Integrity Good

Functional Integrity Score 5 this score equates to.. Strong

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

Little built development, mostly farmhouses and buildings of local style. Ranby village sits near to the south-easter corner of the DPZ, just outside the boundary.

Impact of built development Low

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

Intensification and/or changes in farming practices.

Impact of recent land use change insignificant

Overall Condition Summary Statement

Generally the area is visually coherent with few detractors. Small to medium sized woodland blocks are dotted throughout the DPZ connecting hedgerow field boundaries and also featuring alongside road verges, Scots Pine is the dominant species. Built development features infrequently and is generally of local architectural style. The area retains a rural character despite the close proximity of the A1.

Condition Overall Score 10 this score equates to.. Very Good

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?

Woodlands

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

Isolated blocks of coniferous and deciduous woodland.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees

Oak trees within well trimmed hawthorn hedges.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Other Vegetation

Heathland with acid grassland.

Distinctiveness Indistinct

Continuity Ancient

Field Boundaries

Hedgerows

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Buildings

Isolated red brick farmhouses with associated agricultural buildings.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Highways

Straight hedgelined roads with narrow, uniform verges.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Other Features

Osberton Hall and parkland

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Settlements

None within the DPZ

Distinctiveness

Continuity

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Historic

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Sense of Place Score

4

this score equates to..

Moderate

Visibility

Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?

Relatively open views contained and restricted by woodland blocks both within and along the boundaries of the DPZ.

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ?

Apparent

How wooded is the landscape ?

Intermittent

Views Score

4

this score equates to..

Moderate

Sensitivity Overall Score

8

this score equates to..

Moderate

Landscape Policy Score

18

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LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref **SH40**

Draft Character Type **Sherwood**

Date **11/05/2006**

Surveyor **HMJ/DCM**

Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) **41,59,62,58,40,83 not including MLA areas 52,79,80**

Conditions **sunny, very warm**

OS East **467486**

OS North **379718**

Location **Rushey Inn Wood**

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref **SH40**

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Coherent

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

Low voltage power lines, high voltage power lines, bordered by A1. A57 passes through the section close to Worksop. The mineral railway line is a physical barrier but not especially a visual detractor, reclaimed mineral workings at Manton, some industrial development spreads into area from the edge of Worksop, some agricultural 'shed' type development associated with farms, poultry houses.

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Some

Visual Unity Score

4

this score equates to..

Coherent

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

Conservation areas

Spital road/ A1 junction - Heathland register site - Area 1.71

Morton Hall - Heathland register site - Area 53.36

Worksop golf course site 1 - Heathland register site - Area 57.50

Worksop golf course site 2 - Heathland register site - Area 4.78

Manton Colliery - Heathland register site - 17.58

Worksop conservation area - Ref 117

SSSIs, SINC's, Ancient woodland

Tinker Lane, Barnby Moor - Biosinc NBGRC 2005b - 2/414

Chesterfield canal (Shireoaks to Welham) - Biosinc NBGRC 2005b 2/621

Babworth Ordsall railway - Biosinc NBGRC 2005b - 5/157

Morton Park - Biosinc NBGRC 2005b - 5/1081

Habitat description

Small mixed deciduous woodlands, heathy species evident on road verges, no surface water features apparent, isolated mature trees in hedgerows and field boundaries which are Oak predominantly

Ecological Bases

Hedgerow network is good throughout an area of intensive arable land use, with mature trees, with some small woodlands, good linkage via hedgerows and woodlands

Intensity of Land Use

Intensive arable production of cereals and vegetables, with strong well maintained hedgerows to fields and road margins

Additional Notes

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Moderate

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Small woodlands - Oak is the dominant mature tree species, but also Beech at Rushey Inn wood, small coniferous woodland at Barnby Fox Covert, heathland species prevalent on road edges. Also mature trees in hedgerows mainly Oak

Extent

Low coverage generally

Age Structure

Larger trees are generally mature or reaching maturity, no evidence of young trees or replanting schemes.

Field Boundaries

Strong and well trimmed with hedgerow trees Oaks as the dominant with some Ash and Pine. Strong 'A' trimmed Beech hedges around Green Mile Farm which are a distinctive visual feature.

Built Features

Isolated farm buildings in generally traditional materials - brick and pantiles, new brick buildings. Modern housing and security fencing around Ranby Prison. Modern housing within Elkesley that is outside the MLA. Check Worksop new housing xxx

Additional Notes

Overall Cultural Integrity Variable

Functional Integrity Score

4

this score equates to..

Coherent

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

New industrial development to edge of Worksop - no link to surrounding style.
New housing in Elkesley village some buildings respect local style but some not
New isolated housing or new farm buildings - some buildings use local building style but generally not, addition of shed type barns
Ranby prison - little link to surrounding style

Impact of built development

Moderate

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

Landscape will change with changes in farming practices related to intensive cereal production

Impact of recent land use change

localised

Overall Condition Summary Statement

The area is coherent in that underlying geology determines intensity and the type of land use, there are some detracting features but area still retains a rural character away from the major transport corridors. There is a strong network of well maintained hedgerows which provide ecological pathways but the field areas are sterile, mature trees add to wildlife value, but tree coverage is low generally. Cultural integrity is affected by the fact that new development does not link in with the existing building style, this development is localised spreading from areas of settlement. However the village of Elkesley contains a large number of listed buildings which are outside the MLA area. Landscape Condition is therefore scored as 'moderate'

Condition Overall Score

8

this score equates to..

Moderate

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY**Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?****Woodlands**

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

Small mixed deciduous woodlands and coniferous coverts

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity

Historic

Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees

Trimmed hawthorn hedges with occasional Oak trees

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity

Historic

Other Vegetation

Gorse, Broom, Bracken to verges

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Field Boundaries**

Trimmed Hawthorn hedges to field margins and boundary hedgerows.

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Buildings**

Grade SS - Grange Farm outbuildings - Gen ref 1.3.13

Grade LIE - Ranby Cottage Farm - Gen ref 1.2.31

Grade SS - Barnby Moor House - Gen Ref 1.3.8

Grade SS - Gatehouse, Barnby Moor - Gen ref 1.3.9

Grade II - No name (Just north of The Barracks) - Gen ref 1.2.21

Grade II No name (The Barracks) - Gen ref 1.2.14

Grade II No name (The Barracks) - Gen ref 1.2.13

Grade SS 17 Old Blyth Road - Gen ref 1.2.24

Grade II - No name (Ranby House Preparatory School) - Gen ref 1.2.18

Grade SS - 10 Old Blyth Road - Gen ref 1.2.23

Grade SS - 8 Old Blyth Road - Gen ref 1.2.25

Grade II - No name (in Ranby at fork in the road) - Gen Ref 1.2.12

Grade II - No name (in Ranby on A620) - Gen ref 1.2.26

Grade SS - Beech wood Cottages (In Ranby) - Gen Ref 1.2.17

Grade LIE - Great Morton - Gen ref 1.2.27

Grade LI - no name (Morton) - Gen ref 1.2.5

Grade II - No name at Rushey Inn Wood - Gen ref 1.2.6

Grade LIE - Jockey House - Gen ref 1.23.32

grade LIE Upper Morton Cottage - Gen ref - 1.2.28

Grade LIE - Morton Hill Farm/ Upper Morton - Gen ref 1.2.29

grade LIE Forest Farm - Gen ref 1.2.30

Grade LIE - Osberton grange - gen ref 1.65.241

Grade II- no name (west of Ashton's Wood) - Gen ref 1.65.125

Grade II - No name (north east of Morton Park) Gen ref 1.2.11

Grade SS - 1 High Street - Gen Ref 1.20.20

Grade SS - Top Farm Buildings - Gen Ref 1.20.19

Grade LI - No Name (Next to Top Farm Buildings) - Gen Ref 1.20.12

Grade SS - The Wheelhouse - Gen Ref 1.20.18

Grade LI - No Name - Gen Ref 1.20.11

Grade LI - No Name - Gen Ref 1.20.10

Grade LI - No Name - Gen Ref 1.20.9

Grade II - No Name - Gen Ref 1.20.15

Grade II - No Name - Gen Ref 1.20.7

Grade SS - 4 High Street and the Old Barn - Gen Ref 1.20.22

Grade SS - 5 High Street - Gen Ref 1.20.23

Grade SS - 6 High Street - Gen Ref 1.20.24

Grade LI - No Name - Gen Ref 1.20.5

Grade LI - No Name - Gen Ref 1.20.6

Grade SS - The Barn - Gen Ref 1.20.26

Grade II - No Name - Gen Ref 1.20.8

Grade II - No Name - Gen Ref 1.20.4

Grade SS - The House opposite the Post Office - Gen Ref 1.20.21

Grade SS - The Post Office - Gen Ref 1.20.25

Distinctiveness Unique/Rare**Continuity** Historic**Highways**

Straight roads , narrow hedglined lanes(historic rather than recent).

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Recent**Other Features**

Reclaimed mineral site

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Recent

Settlements

Village of Elkesley contained within this area

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Recent

Final distinctivene Characteristic

Final Continuity Historic

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Sense of Place Score 4

this score equates to.. Moderate

Visibility

Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?

Views are generally contained within the area by landform falling away to the east to the Trent Valley or by wooded ridgelines to the west

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ? Apparent

How wooded is the landscape ?

Intermittent

Views Score 4 this score equates to.. Moderate

Sensitivity Overall Score 8 this score equates to.. Moderate

Landscape Policy Score 16 this score equates to Landscape Polic Conserve and Create

LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref **SH55**

Draft Character Type **Sherwood**

Date **29/06/2009**

Surveyor **KMS**

Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) **S52, S53**

Conditions **sunny with some cloud**

OS East **471300**

OS North **376800**

Location **Causeway Lane**

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref **SH55**

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Coherent

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

Recently constructed A57 junction with the A1 and A638 and services

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Few

Visual Unity Score

5

this score equates to..

Unified

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

Scattered blocks of woodland

Ecological Bases

Hedgerows are generally present but often gappy; sometimes infilled with sections of post and wire fencing. Hedgerows are commonly accompanied by hedgerow trees. Some areas to the east have remnant hedgerow trees where the hedge itself has since been lost or removed.

Intensity of Land Use

Highly intensive arable land with hedgerows and hedgerow trees; gappy in places.

Additional Notes

Although land use is intensively farmed, frequent trees (in scattered blocks and in hedgerows) maintain a degree on connectivity, reinforced by the lightly wooded river corridor which flanks the west boundary (outside the DPZ).

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Moderate

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Hedgerow oak and Ash

Deciduous and coniferous small blocks toward the river corridor

Extent

Very low: provided principally by field boundary trees

Age Structure

Some younger toward the west boundary. Many hedgerow trees are mature or reaching maturity. Mixed in the blocks: some more mature canopy trees with a younger understorey.

Field Boundaries

Trimmed hedgerows: sometimes gappy or with sections missing. Evidence of some field rationalisation, principally to the east.

Built Features

Traditional villages

Red brick farmhouses

Additional Notes

Although field rationalisation and agricultural intensity has lead to the loss of field boundaries, the cultural character of the landscape is largely intact, if not suffering from scattered deterioration, particularly with regard to hedgerows.

Overall Cultural Integrity Variable

Functional Integrity Score 4 *this score equates to..* Coherent

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

No significant new development. Traditional villages of Eaton and Gamston remain largely unchanged. Small cluster of more modern development at White Houses, and also some modern buildings around the A57/A1 junction, but the location of these on the northerly and southerly fringes of the DPZ causes little impact on the setting.

Impact of built development Low

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

Farming intensification and production of biomass crops has lead to some field rationalisation and loss of boundary hedgerows. This has left some geometric but irregularly shaped fields in some places. Expansion of facilities at the A1/A57 junction may potentially have an impact upon the agricultural setting and property around Markham Moor.

Impact of recent land use change localised

Overall Condition Summary Statement

The agricultural settings of the villages and hamlets remain largely unchanged, with the character of the landscape itself being largely influenced by its forming a section of the east flank of the valley of the River Idle (situated just outside the DPZ to the west). Loss of condition is mainly through the removal of lengths of internal hedgerows or development of gaps in remaining sections, and the increase in production of biomass crops. The river corridor maintains a wooded character through the intermittent woodland clumps.

Condition Overall Score 9 *this score equates to..* Good

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY**Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?****Woodlands**

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

Small blocks of deciduous or coniferous woodland focussed primarily toward the west near the river corridor outside the DPZ.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees

Oak and some Ash within hedgerows with a mix of species in blocks to the west. A short coniferous belt at Hormans Holt can be found to the north of Gamston.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Other Vegetation

Wide verges along A638

Distinctiveness Indistinct

Continuity Historic

Field Boundaries

Trimmed gappy hedges with hedgerow trees
Some sections of post and rail

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Buildings

Red brick houses and cottages
Red brick farmhouses
Modern buildings at the A1/A57 junction

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Highways

Winding and undulating major and minor roads. Narrow hedgelined lanes. Narrow lanes through villages

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Other Features

No significant other features

Distinctiveness

Continuity

Settlements

Eaton

Gamston

White Houses estate

Markham Moor hamlet (including part of the West Drayton MLA ref: 54)

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

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Sense of Place Score 4

this score equates to.. Moderate

Visibility**Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?**

Views are long north to south across the flatter areas in the east, broken by mature hedgerow trees across the agricultural land. The gently undulating ground to the west towards the River, plus settlement, limits the extent of views in these areas. Views in from the west are controlled by trees along the river corridor, although views from higher ground to the east outside the DPZ are potentially relatively comprehensive. Views of development at the northern and southern ends are defined by the lower elevation of the ground locally.

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ? Dominant

How wooded is the landscape ? Intermittent

Views Score 5 this score equates to.. High

Sensitivity Overall Score 9 this score equates to.. High

Landscape Policy Score 18 this score equates to Landscape Polic conserve

LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref **SH56**Draft Character Type **Sherwood**Date **19/06/2009**Surveyor **HMJ**Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) **LCP 53 and LCP 56**Conditions **warm, sunny**OS East **469147**OS North **370755**Location **Entrance to PROW Walesby**

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref **SH56**

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Coherent

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

Boughton industrial estate
Former coal extraction - Ollerton colliery
Mineral railway lines, east coast main line
Commercial development along A 6075
Busy roads A 6075, A1 slip roads
Sewage works

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Many

Visual Unity Score

3

this score equates to..

Interrupted

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

Small areas of deciduous woodland
Wetlands associated with Boughton Dyke and River Idle, River Maun
Open water
Linear sections of flood meadow, used for cattle grazing
Post industrial landscapes

Ecological Bases

2/773 Boughton scrub north and south
5/2151 Ollerton colliery
5/312 Boughton railway banks
5/300 Lower ponds Haughton
5/305/Dover holt wetland
2/617 Markham moor grasslands
2/429 Muttonshire hill wet grassland

Intensity of Land Use

Low intensity farming with permanent improved pasture used for cattle grazing, arable farming, industrial uses

Additional Notes

The river/dyke with its riparian vegetation forms the main corridor through the PZ

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Moderate

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Southern half of PZ

Small fragments of woodlands such as Earth Holme plantation to the centre of the PZ, strong line of riparian vegetation including mature willow along Boughton Dyke, River Maun and Idle

Birch woodland around Boughton Industrial estate which is a SINC, estate itself well vegetated but with non native species and alien features such as Lime avenues

Northern half of PZ

small patches of deciduous woodland, willow holts plus some swamp and wet grassland along Idle and Maun valley.

Extent

Moderate coverage of woodland

Age Structure

Diverse age structure with much of the riparian vegetation mature

Field Boundaries

Hedgerows to road edges are strong and well maintained in some areas with trees -oak, ash, horse chestnut
Field boundary hedgerows more variable mostly hawthorn and indistinct in places replaced by post and rail in river valleys

Built Features

Traditional village cores with vernacular red brick and pantile roofed buildings to Kirton with new build to the periphery, isolated farms in vernacular style.

Additional Notes

The irregular field pattern reflects the historic pattern within the river valley but some intervening field boundaries have been removed, remnants of the strip field system remain around Kirton. Historic pattern lost in the southern area around Boughton Industrial estate

Overall Cultural Integrity Variable

Functional Integrity Score 4 this score equates to.. Coherent

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

recent infill in village of Kirton does not reflect the vernacular style, industrial development mostly of modern industrial shed type

Impact of built development Moderate

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

expansion of Boughton Industrial estate
further infill development in Kirton
further removal of historic field pattern
removal or loss of woodland due to lack of maintenance
Biomass planting
expansion of Retford, Ollerton urban area

Impact of recent land use change localised

Overall Condition Summary Statement

Overall the landscape condition is poor, the area forms a corridor through which busy transport routes pass, the historic pattern has been degraded and hedgerows removed in many areas

Condition Overall Score 7 this score equates to.. Poor

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

DPZ Ref SH56

Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?

Woodlands

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

Around Boughton industrial estate including the
SINC woodland
Riparian woodland to Boughton Dyke and rivers
Holme Earth Plantation
Willow holts

Distinctiveness	Characteristic	Continuity	Historic

Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees

Good mixed species roadside hedgerows to narrow lanes between Kirton and Walesby with mature trees

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Other Vegetation**

wetlands in association with river

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Field Boundaries**

Field boundary hedges are indistinct in valley bottom in many places

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Buildings**Kirton Village
Ribbon development along the A6097
Isolated farms**Distinctiveness** Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Highways**

winding sinuous lanes are also a feature of this PZ, A 638 and A1 cross the pz

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Other Features**

Small section of Ollerton Colliery cuts into this PZ

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Recent**Settlements**

Kirton village only

Distinctiveness Characteristic**Continuity** Historic**Final distinctiveness** Characteristic**Final Continuity** Historic

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Sense of Place Score**4***this score equates to..*

Moderate

Visibility**Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?**

Beyond PZ, views to the east are contained by the wooded ridgeline of Wellow Park and the Ridge to the east of Kirton within the Mid Nottinghamshire Farmlands. At higher points of the PZ there are views to the west to the distant wooded ridge lines of the Sherwood region. Views along the valley are limited by vegetation.

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ?

Apparent

How wooded is the landscape ?

Intermittent

Views Score**4***this score equates to..*

Moderate

Sensitivity Overall Score**8***this score equates to..*

Moderate

Landscape Policy Score**15***this score equates to Landscape Polic***Restore and Create**

LANDSCAPE CONDITION and SENSITIVITY (report)

DPZ Ref SH57

Draft Character Type Sherwood

Date 19/06/2009

Surveyor HMJ

Land Cover Parcel Ref(s) LCP 57

Conditions Sunny, warm

OS East 470089

OS North 377912

Location Crossroads Ollerton Road/PROW to Eaton Breck Farm

LANDSCAPE CONDITION

DPZ Ref SH57

Visual Unity - assess the overall unity of the landscape and note the significance of the following

Pattern of Elements

Describe the extent of uniform or unifying features / coherent or incoherent pattern of elements, are these intact, interrupted or fragmented?

Coherent

Detracting Features (Presence of Incongruous Features) - Negative contribution to strength of char. area

Light industrial and commercial development around the perimeter of Gamston airfield, airfield and associated infrastructure, some poles along track to Eaton Breck Farm

Overall how would you rate the amount of detracting features in the area?

Some

Visual Unity Score

4

this score equates to..

Coherent

Functional Integrity - How does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Ecological Integrity:

Extent and type of semi-natural habit

Isolated fragments of deciduous woodland with Oak as dominant species, Eaton Bogs is more mixed species due to its wetland character

Hedgerows to roads generally dense and well maintained, isolated hedgerow trees- Oak, Sycamore

Hedgerows to fields vary from dense to gappy in places, very few hedgerow trees

Biomass planting - small area of Willow

Minor stream course to west of Ollerton Road with line of mature Willow trees

Ecological Bases

There are 3 SINC sites within the area

5/1239 Brick Yard ponds

5/358 Gamston airfield scrub and grassland

2/408 Eaton Breck Farm track

Intensity of Land Use

Highly intensive arable land use, or use as airfield

Additional Notes

Limited woodland but connectivity provided by hedgerows

Overall, how does this area function as a habitat for wildlife?

Moderate

Cultural Integrity:

Tree cover

Small fragments of deciduous woodland with oak as the dominant species-Fox Covert, Apple Pie Plantation, Breck Plantation, all present on Sanderson Plan but Eaton Bogs is a more recent woodland.

Line of Mature Willow marks a minor water course within the PZ

Small area of Biomass planting in the south of PZ

Extent

Low coverage,

Age Structure

All woodland is mature with the exception of the young Biomass planting-planted in the last 10 years

Field Boundaries

Field boundary hedges are hawthorn and vary from strong and well trimmed to gappy and in decline.

Built Features

Eaton Breck Farm - red brick farmhouse
Light industrial sheds around air field

Additional Notes

The Sanderson plan pattern has been obliterated in the south by the construction of the airfield and has also led to removal of large woodland shown on Sanderson plan in this area. To the north the pattern is more recognisable but there has been some removal of hedgerows to enlarge fields, small woodlands are present on the plan and have remained as deciduous fragments rather than been infilled with conifers.

Overall Cultural Integrity

Functional Integrity Score *this score equates to..*

Impact of Built Development (does not feed into a matrix)

How does development demonstrate or respect the local vernacular, character and sense of place?

Eaton Breck Farm - vernacular style in keeping with character of Sherwood RCA

Light industrial to airport - modern design

Impact of built development

Impact of Recent Land Use (does not feed into a matrix)

What type of land use changes are likely to affect the landscape?

Expansion of airport and further industrial development
Intensification or change of agricultural landuse
Further loss of deciduous woodland/ addition of coniferous woodland/
increased biomass planting

Impact of recent land use change

Overall Condition Summary Statement

Overall the condition of the area is moderate, there is loss of the historic field pattern particularly to the south of the area due to the construction of Gamston Airfield the historic field pattern to the northern area is more intact and small woodland from at least 1835 are still in existence, the area not in use as an airfield is under intensive arable production.

Condition Overall Score *this score equates to..*

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITYDPZ Ref **SH57****Sense of Place: How do the Key Characteristics contribute to local distinctiveness and continuity?****Woodlands**

NB. re Continuity: Recent-50years, Historic-post 1600, Ancient-pre 1600

Deciduous woodland surrounded by intensive agriculture

Distinctiveness

Continuity

Hedgerow and Hedgerow Trees

Hedgerows to roads, dense and well trimmed mostly hawthorn although some mixed including honeysuckle, elder and oak to Ollerton road, isolated trees Oak, Sycamore.

Variable hedgerows to field boundaries mostly hawthorn

Distinctiveness

Continuity

Other Vegetation

Line of mature willow to minor water course
Biomass willow

Distinctiveness

Continuity

Field Boundaries

Hedgerows to field boundaries variable quality mostly hawthorn.

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Buildings

One isolated farm is the only residential building in the PZ

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Highways

Straight Roads,

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Historic

Other Features

Gamston airfield

Distinctiveness Characteristic

Continuity Recent

Settlements

None

Distinctiveness

Continuity

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Final Continuity Historic

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Sense of Place Score

4

this score equates to..

Moderate

Visibility

Views typically limited to within LDU or beyond it ?

Beyond, long distance views to east including power station plumes in the Trent Valley and the wooded ridges of the Mid Notts Farmlands. Views to the north and west contained by undulating landform. Long distance views to the south from Gamston airfield

Scale of Landform and Landscape elements ?

Apparent

How wooded is the landscape ?

Intermittent

Views Score

4

this score equates to..

Moderate

Sensitivity Overall Score

8

this score equates to..

Moderate

Landscape Policy Score

16

this score equates to Landscape Polic

Conserve and Create