

BASELINE AND SENSITIVITY			CHANGE, MAGNITUDE AND SIGNIFICANCE				
Landscape Character Area / Type, Designation or Features	Baseline Description: (Key Defining Characteristics)	Value of Landscape Character or Features, Susceptibility to Change; OVERALL SENSITIVITY	Description of Change	Mitigation	Size / scale, Geographical Extent and Duration / reversibility; OVERALL MAGNITUDE	Nature of Effect	SIGNIFICANCE
<b>Landscape Character Areas (Published Sources) and Landscape Planning Designations</b>							
Natural England National Landscape Character Area No.107: Cotswolds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On the deeper soils and river valleys, hedgerows form the main field boundaries;</li> <li>...oak/ash woodlands are characteristic of the river valleys;</li> <li>The majority of the principal rivers flow south-eastwards forming the headwaters of the Thames...</li> </ul>	<p><b>Value of LCA:</b> Medium</p> <p><b>Susceptibility to Change:</b> Low</p> <p><b>OVERALL SENSITIVITY: MEDIUM</b></p>	Loss of c 50% of field to development and minor loss of trees at access. Field pattern remains intact.	New tree and shrub planting. Open space will be managed and existing hedges reinforced with new planting and managed.	<p><b>Size/Scale:</b> Negligible given size of CA</p> <p><b>Geographical Extent:</b> very little effect beyond site boundaries</p> <p><b>Duration:</b> Long term</p> <p><b>Reversibility:</b> No</p> <p><b>OVERALL MAGNITUDE: NEGLIGIBLE</b></p>	Adverse, Direct	<b>Not Significant NOT SIGNIFICANT</b>
Local Authority: Oxfordshire County Council: Oxfordshire Wildlife and Landscape Study 2004: Landscape Type 16: Upstanding Village Farmlands	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A steep-sided, undulating landform;</li> <li>A well-defined geometric pattern of medium-sized fields enclosed by prominent hedgerows; and</li> <li>A strong settlement pattern of compact, nucleated villages of varying sizes with little dispersal in wider countryside.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Value of LCA:</b> Medium</p> <p><b>Susceptibility to Change:</b> Medium</p> <p><b>OVERALL SENSITIVITY: MEDIUM</b></p>	Loss of c 50% of field to development and minor loss of trees at access. Field pattern remains intact.  Will extend development along northern side of Berry Hill Road. However, this part of Adderbury does not have a nucleated pattern.	New tree and shrub planting. Open space will be managed and existing hedges reinforced with new planting and managed.	<p><b>Size/Scale:</b> Slight</p> <p><b>Geographical Extent:</b> Very little effect beyond site boundaries</p> <p><b>Duration:</b> Long term</p> <p><b>Reversibility:</b> No</p> <p><b>OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT</b></p>	Adverse, Direct	<b>Minor Significance NOT SIGNIFICANT</b>
Local Authority: Oxfordshire County Council: Oxfordshire Wildlife and Landscape Study 2004: Local Character Area D: Bloxham (NU/9):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regularly-shaped, small-sized grass fields and larger arable fields;</li> <li>Fields are enclosed by a prominent network of intact hawthorn and elm hedges which, in places, are overgrown and gappy;</li> <li>Mature ash, oak and sycamore trees are scattered throughout the area, denser where there is more grassland, along roadsides, country lanes and the disused railway line.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Value of LCA:</b> Medium</p> <p><b>Susceptibility to Change:</b> Medium</p> <p><b>OVERALL SENSITIVITY: MEDIUM</b></p>	Loss of c 50% of field to development and minor loss of trees at access. Field pattern remains intact.	New tree and shrub planting. Open space will be managed and existing hedges reinforced with new planting and managed.	<p><b>Size/Scale:</b> Slight</p> <p><b>Geographical Extent:</b> Very little effect beyond site boundaries</p> <p><b>Duration:</b> Long term</p> <p><b>Reversibility:</b> No</p> <p><b>OVERALL MAGNITUDE: SLIGHT</b></p>	Adverse, Direct	<b>Minor Significance NOT SIGNIFICANT</b>

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Landscape Value: High, Medium, Low  
 Susceptibility to Change: High, Medium, Low  
 Overall Sensitivity of Receptor: High, Medium, Low  
 Size/Scale of Effect: Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change  
 Geographical Extent of Effect: (Descriptive)

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 Reversibility: Yes, within (timescale)/No  
 Overall Magnitude of Effect: Major, Moderate, Slight, Negligible, Neutral, No Change  
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Local Authority: Cherwell District Council: Cherwell District Landscape Assessment LCA: Cherwell Valley (Cherwell DC 1995)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The valley in the northerly part of the area is less sharply defined, as the river is joined from the west by two major tributaries, the Sor Brook and the River Swere...</li> <li>Close to settlements and on the steepest slopes, a network of small fields and mixed farming has survived. Lines of trees resulting from outgrown hedges and small clumps of trees in field corners give parts of the valley a locally well-treed character.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Value of LCA:</b> Medium</p> <p><b>Susceptibility to Change:</b> Medium</p> <p><b>OVERALL SENSITIVITY:</b> MEDIUM</p>	<p>Loss of c 50% of field to development and minor loss of trees at access. Field pattern remains intact.</p> <p>Much of a valley landform on the site remains free of development, although the feature is a sub valley to the Sor and not the Sor valley itself.</p>	New tree and shrub planting. Open space will be managed and existing hedges reinforced with new planting and managed.	<p><b>Size/Scale:</b> Slight</p> <p><b>Geographical Extent:</b> Very little effect beyond site boundaries</p> <p><b>Duration:</b> Long term</p> <p><b>Reversibility:</b> No</p> <p><b>OVERALL MAGNITUDE:</b> SLIGHT</p>	Adverse, Direct	<b>Minor Significance NOT SIGNIFICANT</b>
Local Landscape: Character of Site and Surrounding Area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Generally enclosed character as a result of substantial hedgerows and tree belts along all boundaries except the western boundary</li> <li>To the west, the pattern of field boundaries in the wider context of the site limit the visibility</li> <li>Largely consists of paddocks subdivided by fencing including timber post and rail and electric tape with wooden posts, with associated stables and yards</li> <li>Views of church and its wooded landscape setting only publicly accessible from Berry Hill Road.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Value of Landscape Features:</b> Medium</p> <p><b>Susceptibility to Change:</b> Medium</p> <p><b>OVERALL SENSITIVITY:</b> MEDIUM</p>	<p>Field pattern remains intact, loss of c 50% of field to development and minor loss of trees at access; removal of electric fencing, paddocks and stables and replacement with new housing, gardens, roads and paths behind existing tree lines and hedges along Berry Hill Road and footpath. Much of valley landform remains free of development.</p> <p>View to church from Berry Hill Road at existing entrance will be retained, although context across the site will be changed to one of development. New view opened up from new pedestrian entrance at south western corner of site. Views of church from open space on northern half of site and within proposed development will be publicly accessible with development.</p>	New tree and shrub planting. Open space will be managed and existing hedges reinforced with new planting and managed.	<p><b>Size/Scale:</b> Moderate</p> <p><b>Geographical Extent:</b> very little effect beyond site boundaries</p> <p><b>Duration:</b> Long term</p> <p><b>Reversibility:</b> No</p> <p><b>OVERALL MAGNITUDE:</b> MODERATE</p>	Adverse, Direct	<b>Moderate Significance SIGNIFICANT</b>
Public Rights of Way	Public footpath (101/6) runs within the northern edge of the site	<p><b>Value of Landscape Features:</b> Medium</p> <p><b>Susceptibility to Change:</b> Low</p> <p><b>OVERALL SENSITIVITY:</b> MEDIUM</p>	Route of footpath retained across site within open space. No temporary diversion needed during construction.	None required.	<p><b>Size/Scale:</b> No change</p> <p><b>Geographical Extent:</b> Local to line of path</p> <p><b>Duration:</b> Long term</p> <p><b>Reversibility:</b> No</p> <p><b>OVERALL MAGNITUDE:</b> NO CHANGE</p>	No effect	<b>Not Significant NOT SIGNIFICANT</b>

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