13 Summary of Mitigation Measures, Monitoring and Likely Residual Effects

13.1 Introduction

- 13.1.1 Tables 13.1 13.6 provide a summary of the mitigation measures, monitoring requirements and likely residual effects of the Development for the construction phase, completed Development and summary of cumulative effects, as detailed in Chapters 7-11 and Volume II of this ES.
- 13.1.2 Mitigation measures have been designed into the Development to reduce potentially significant adverse effects where possible. Theis includes a 4.0m barrier between Units 10 and 11. The location of the barrier is shown illustratively within the detailed planning drawings (Appendix 5.1) and implementation of the landscaping scheme and tree retention and planting strategy.
- 13.1.3 A summary of key secondary and tertiary mitigation measures is provided below for both the construction phase and the completed Development.

Construction

- Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP), including the erection of construction hoarding, site lighting control, emissions management plans;
- Routing agreement and adherence to a Construction Traffic Management Plan;
- All retained trees and hedgerows will be protected in accordance with BS 5837:2012;
- Sensitive timing of works for GCN, habitat manipulation, fingertip searches, destructive search of habitat to be removed and ecological supervision of works potentially affecting GCN;
- Badgers: Pre-construction badger survey, sensitive timing of works, careful storage of topsoil and materials, and a method statement to avoid any disturbance to setts (if required following the pre-construction survey);
- Breeding Birds: Removal of vegetation outside of the nesting bird season (March to August inclusive), or the supervision of vegetation removal by a suitably qualified ecologist should works take place within this period; and
- Western European Hedgehog: Supervised removal of suitable habitat to ensure no individual hedgehogs are affected during site clearance.

Completed Development

- Framework Travel Plan;
- Implementation of an Employment, Skills and Training Plan;
- Two 2.5m high Acoustic Barriers; retention of the existing hedgerows and field margins (where possible) at the Site boundaries in line with the biodiversity strategy for the Bicester Eco Town;

- Native woodland and shrub planting at the Site boundaries;
- Provision of wildflower grassland within the swales and area adjacent to the SLR in the eastern section of the Site;
- The planting of 205 native trees.;
- Implementation of a sensitive lighting scheme to minimise light spill onto the adjacent retained vegetation (see Lighting Drawing, Appendix 5.1); and
- Landscape and Ecological Management Plan (LEMP).

| Effect | Receptor (Sensitivity) | Geographic Scale | Temporal Scale | Mitigation and Monitoring | Likely Residual Effect |
|---------------------------------|---|---------------------|----------------|--|------------------------------|
| Socio Economics | | | | | |
| Construction Employment | Demolition and construction industry, its employees and supply chain (Low sensitivity) | Regional | Temporary | Implementation of an Employment, Skills and Training Plan | Negligible |
| Transport | | | | | |
| Severance | <u>Low</u> – Howes Lane, Middleton Stoney Road (East), Vendee Drive | Local | Temporary | Routing Agreement and Construction Traffic Management Plan | Negligible |
| Driver Delay | Low – Howes Lane, Middleton Stoney Road (East), Vendee Drive | Local | Temporary | None required | Negligible |
| Pedestrian Delay and Amenity | Low – Howes Lane, Middleton Stoney Road (East), Vendee Drive | Local | Temporary | None required | Negligible |
| Accidents and Safety | Low – Howes Lane, Middleton Stoney Road (East), Vendee Drive | Local | Temporary | Construction Traffic Management Plan | Negligible |
| Public Transport | Low | Local | Temporary | None required | Negligible |

| Effect | Receptor (Sensitivity) | Geographic Scale | Temporal Scale | Mitigation and Monitoring | Likely Residual Effect |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|--|------------------------------|
| Construction Noise | High | Local | Temporary | Adherence to the CEMP | Moderate Adverse |
| Biodiversity | | | | • | - |
| Designated Sites | Low to High | County to National | Temporary | N/A | Negligible |
| Habitat - Arable | Very Low | Negligible | Permanent | N/A | Negligible |
| Habitat – Field Margins | Very Low | Negligible | Permanent | N/A | Negligible |
| Habitat – Hedgerows | Low | Local | N/A | Adherence to BS5837:2012/ CEMP | Negligible |
| Habitat – Ditches | Very Low | Negligible | N/A | Adherence to BS5837:2012/ CEMP | Negligible |
| Habitat – Trees | Low | Local | N/A | Adherence to BS5837:2012/ CEMP | Negligible |
| Habitat – Ponds (offsite) | Low | Local | N/A | Adherence to CEMP | Negligible |
| Species - Amphibians | Low | District | N/A | Adherence to CEMP, new habitat planting | Minor Beneficial |
| Species - Badgers | Very Low | Negligible | N/A | Adherence to CEMP | Negligible |
| Species - Bats | Low | Local | N/A | Sensitive lighting scheme, new habitat planting | Minor Beneficial |
| Species – Birds | Low | Local | Permanent | Adherence to CEMP, contribution to offsite compensation, new habitat planting | Minor Beneficial |
| Species – Invertebrates | Very Low | Negligible | N/A | Adherence to CEMP | Negligible |
| Species - Reptiles | Low | Local | N/A | Adherence to CEMP | Negligible |

| Effect | Receptor (Sensitivity) | Geographic Scale | Temporal Scale | Mitigation and Monitoring | Likely Residual Effect |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|----------------|---|------------------------------|
| Climate Change | | | | | |
| Whole life GHG emissions | Not applicable | Global | Permanent | Adherence to the CEMP BREEAM Very Good rating, capable of 'Excellent' Transport Plan and mode share targets Energy efficient design and use of renewables resulting in less than zero GHG emissions from energy use | Significant adverse |

Landscape and Visual Assessment

Please see paragraph 6.13 of Volume II of this ES – the predicted overall effect of the construction phase of the Development is likely to be major adverse in terms of both landscape character and visual amenity.

| Effect | Receptor (Sensitivity) | Geographic Scale | Temporal Scale | Mitigation and Monitoring | Likely Residual Effect |
|---|---|--|------------------------|---|---|
| Socio Economics | | | | | |
| Employment accommodated within the completed Development | Access to local employment (Medium sensitivity) | Local, District, County, Regional, National | Long-term | Implementation of an Employment, Skills and Training Plan | Moderate beneficial (significant) (local scale), minor beneficial (district), negligible at all other scales |
| Additional Local Spending Effects | Local economy (High sensitivity) | Local, District, County, Regional, National | Long-term | Not applicable | Minor beneficial (local scale), negligible at all other scales |
| Transport | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Severance | <u>Low</u> – SLR, Middleton Stoney Road (East), Vendee Drive | Local | Permanent | Delivery of part of NW Bicester Infrastructure | Negligible |
| Driver Delay | <u>Low</u> – SLR, Middleton Stoney Road (East), | Local | Permanent | Travel Plan | Negligible |
| | Vendee Drive | | | | |
| Pedestrian Delay and Amenity | Vendee Drive Low – SLR, Middleton Stoney Road (East), Vendee Drive | Local | Permanent | Footway/cycle links and crossing facilities | Minor Beneficial |
| | Low – SLR, Middleton Stoney Road (East), | Local | Permanent Permanent | • • | Minor Beneficial Negligible |

Table 13.2: Summary of Completed Development Effects

| Effect | Receptor (Sensitivity) | Geographic Scale | Temporal Scale | Mitigation and Monitoring | Likely Residual Effect |
|--|------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---|---------------------------|
| Building Services Plant Noise | High | Local | Permanent | Appropriate Conditions | Negligible Adverse |
| Noise Intrusion (On-site Operational Noise) – Existing Receptors | High | Local | Permanent | n/a | Negligible Adverse |
| Noise Intrusion (On-site Operational Noise) – Proposed Receptors | High | Local | Permanent | Two 2.5m High Acoustic Barriers | Negligible Adverse |
| Road Traffic Noise | High | Local | Permanent | n/a | Negligible Adverse |
| Biodiversity | | | | | |
| Species - Bats | Low | Local | Permanent | Implementation of a sensitive lighting scheme | Negligible |
| Climate Change | | | | | |
| Whole life GHG emissions | Not applicable | Global | Permanent | Adherence to the CEMP BREEAM Very Good rating, capable of 'Excellent' Transport Plan and mode share targets Energy efficient design and use of renewables resulting in less than zero GHG emissions from energy use | Significant adverse |

Table 13.3: Summary of Completed Development Effects – Landscape La

| Receptor | Landscape sensitivity | Magnitude of Change | Landscape Effect and Nature | Residual Effect | Cumulative Effects |
|--|-----------------------|---|--|--|---|
| Topography | Medium-low | Low | Minor moderate adverse | Minor moderate adverse | Moderate adverse (all sites) |
| Significant vegetation | Medium | Negligible | Negligible | Minor moderate beneficial | Minor moderate beneficial (all sites) |
| Settlement | Low | Low | Minor adverse | Minor adverse | Moderate adverse |
| Land use | Low | Low | Minor adverse | Minor adverse | Moderate adverse |
| LCA 1. Estate parkland | Medium low | Negligible | Negligible | Negligible | No cumulative effects |
| LCA 2. Bicester suburban residential | Medium low | Low | Minor moderate adverse | Minor moderate adverse | Moderate adverse (sites 3, 4 and 10) |
| LCA 3. Chesterton village | Medium | Negligible | Negligible | Negligible | No cumulative effects |
| LCA 4. Agricultural land | Medium | High within the Site, medium elsewhere | Moderate major within the Site, moderate elsewhere | Moderate major within the Site, minor moderate elsewhere | Moderate major adverse (sites 2, 3, 4 and 10) |
| LCA 5. Employment Site | Low | Low | Minor adverse | Minor adverse | Minor moderate adverse (sites 2, 4, 10) |
| LCA 6. | Medium low | Negligible | Negligible | Negligible | No cumulative effects |

| Receptor | Landscape sensitivity | Magnitude of Change | Landscape Effect and Nature | Residual Effect | Cumulative Effects |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Emerging suburban residential | | | | | |

Table 13:4: Summary of Completed Development Effects – Visual

| View | Visual Sensitivity | Magnitude of Change | Visual Effect and Nature | Residual Effect | Cumulative Effect |
|------|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | Medium low | Negligible | Negligible | Negligible | No cumulative effects |
| 2 | Medium | Negligible | Negligible | Negligible | No cumulative effects |
| 3 | Medium | Negligible | Negligible | Negligible | No cumulative effects |
| 4 | Medium | Negligible | Negligible | Negligible | No cumulative effects |
| 5 | Medium | Negligible | Negligible | Negligible | No cumulative effects |
| 6 | Medium | Medium | | Moderate adverse | No cumulative effects |
| 7 | Medium low | Negligible | Negligible | Negligible | No cumulative effects |
| 8 | High medium | High | Major adverse | Moderate major adverse | No cumulative effects |
| 9 | High medium | Medium | Moderate major adverse | Moderate major adverse | No cumulative effects |

| Effect | Receptor (Sensitivity) | Geographic Scale | Temporal Scale | Mitigation and Monitoring | Likely Residual Effect |
|--|--|---------------------|-------------------|---|------------------------|
| Socio Economics | | | | | |
| Construction Employment | Demolition and construction industry, its employees and supply chain (Low sensitivity) | Regional | Temporary | Implementation of Employment, Skills and Training Plans | Negligible |
| Noise | | | | | |
| Construction Noise | High | Local | Temporary | Adherence to the CEMP | Moderate Adverse |
| Biodiversity | | - | | | |
| Loss of Breeding/Wintering Bird Habitat (arable land) | Low | Local | Permanent | Contribution to offsite mitigation | Negligible |
| Climate Change | | • | • | • | • |
| As stated within Tabl | e 13.1. | | | | |

Table 13.5: Summary of Cumulative Effects – Construction

Table 13.6: Summary of Cumulative Effects – Completed Development

| Effect | Receptor (Sensitivity) | Geographic Scale | Temporal Scale | Mitigation and Monitoring | Likely Residual Effect |
|-----------------------|---|---|-------------------|---|--|
| Socio Economics | | | | | |
| End-use Employment | Access to local employment (Medium sensitivity) | Local, District, County, Regional, National | Long-term | Implementation of Employment, Skills and Training Plans | Major beneficial (significant) (local and district scales), moderate beneficial (significant) |

| Effect | Receptor (Sensitivity) | Geographic Scale | Temporal Scale | Mitigation and Monitoring | Likely Residual Effect |
|--|--|---|-------------------|--|---|
| | | | | | (county), and negligible at all other scales |
| Local Spending Effects | Local economy (High sensitivity) | Local, District, County, Regional, National | Long-term | Not applicable | Major beneficial (significant) (local and district scales), negligible at all other scales |
| Transport | | | | | |
| Severance | <u>Low</u> – SLR, Middleton Stoney Road (East) Vendee Drive | Local | Permanent | Delivery of part of NW Bicester Infrastructure | Negligible |
| Driver Delay | <u>Low</u> – SLR, Middleton Stoney Road (East), Vendee Drive | Local | Permanent | Travel Plan Delivery of part of NWB ` Transport Services | Negligible |
| Pedestrian Delay and Amenity | <u>Low</u> – SLR, Middleton Stoney Road (East), Vendee Drive | Local | Permanent | Part of extensive footway/ cycleway network | Minor Beneficial |
| Accidents and Safety | <u>Low</u> – SLR, Middleton Stoney Road (East), Vendee Drive | Local | Permanent | Part of extensive footway/cycleway network and highway infrastructure as part of NWB | Negligible |
| Noise | | | | | |
| Noise Intrusion (On-site Operational Noise) – Existing Receptors | High | Local | Permanent | n/a | Negligible Adverse |

| Effect | Receptor (Sensitivity) | Geographic Scale | Temporal Scale | Mitigation and Monitoring | Likely Residual Effect |
|---|------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Noise Intrusion (On-site Operational Noise) – Proposed Receptors | High | Local | Permanent | Two 2.5m High Acoustic Barriers | Negligible Adverse |
| Road Traffic Noise | High | Local | Permanent | n/a | Negligible Adverse |
| Climate Change | | | | | |
| As stated with Tab | ble 13.2. | | | | |
| Landscape and Vi | sual Assessment | | | | |

As detailed in Tables 13.3 and 13.4.

13.2 Monitoring

Construction

- 13.2.1 Outside standard good practice site monitoring requirements during construction works (which will be included within the CEMP/CTMP), no further environmental monitoring requirements have been identified.
- 13.2.2 The CEMP/CTMP would be prepared once a Principal Contractor has been appointed and would include monitoring prescriptions during the construction phase for dust, noise and vibration. Details of monitoring techniques, duration and extent would need be agreed with CDC once the Principal Contractor is appointed and the final construction method is confirmed.

Completed Development

- 13.2.3 As required by the North West Bicester Eco Town SPD, a detailed Landscape and Ecological Management Plan (LEMP), including a comprehensive ecological monitoring programme will be produced and will be secured via a planning condition. This ensure that retained and newly established habitats on the Site will be appropriately managed to provide high quality habitat and opportunities for wildlife in the long term.
- 13.2.4 Ongoing monitoring of worker travel will also be carried out through the Travel Plan that will be maintained as a 'live' document.