

Appendix 2.2: Landscape Effects Summary Table

Landscape Receptor & Sensitivity	Comments	Development Phase	Magnitude of Effect	Significance of Effect
<p>Topography: Medium</p>	<p>Minor changes in site topography would be required for, for example; associated access tracks, foundations, hard standings, earth bunds and fencing etc. Construction and decommissioning phases may cause temporary and minor changes to the topography of the Site. During the years 1 and 15 the topography would remain unchanged.</p>	Construction (temporary)	Low	Minor Adverse Not Significant
		Operation Year 1	Negligible	Negligible Neutral Not significant
		Operation Year 15	Negligible	Negligible Neutral Not significant
		Decommissioning (temporary)	Low	Minor Adverse Not Significant
<p>Land Use/ground cover: Low</p>	<p>The Application Site would be partially cleared, with the cleared area not being re-cropped; it would be replaced with the Proposed Development, including hard standings surrounding the various structures, and areas of grassland. The loss of arable crop is considered to give rise to a medium magnitude of change, due to the extent of the proposed built form and change in the perception of the Application Site. The construction phase would cause an adverse effect, where the open fields are replaced with pv panels and associated structures. At year 1 the changes to the land use would be new and mitigation yet to establish however, measures such as areas of grassland under a</p>	Construction (temporary)	Medium	Minor Adverse Not significant
		Operation Year 1	Low	Minor Adverse Not significant
		Operation Year 15	Low	Minor beneficial Not significant
		Decommissioning (temporary)	Low - medium	Minor - moderate neutral Not significant

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	<p>less intensive management regime would provide some positive change to landuse which will increase by year 15.</p> <p>Decommissioning would cause more change to the land use however at it can be assumed that mitigation such as hedgerow infill would be mature and would remain after the decommissioning period.</p>			
Trees and hedgerows: Medium	<p>The Proposed Development would not require the loss of significant trees, groups or hedgerow. Hedgerow loss is limited to very small sections.</p> <p>At year 1 new and infill planting mitigation will not be established. Measures such as hedgerow planting and existing hedgerows under a less intensive management regime would provide a level of natural screening. By year 15 these measures would help to enhance and maintain hedgerow structure within the landscape.</p> <p>Mitigation such as hedgerow infill would mature by decommissioning and would remain after this phase.</p>	Construction (temporary)	Low	Minor Adverse Not Significant
		Operation Year 1	Low	Minor Adverse Not Significant
		Operation Year 15	Low	Minor beneficial Not significant
		Decommissioning (temporary)	Low	Minor beneficial Not significant
LCA 1 Vale of Belvoir: Medium	<p>The construction phase would cause an adverse effect, due the intrusion into the 'gentle vale' landscape and disruption to arable field pattern during construction works.</p> <p>At year 1 infill and new planting will begin to enhance tree cover and field pattern, having more of a beneficial impact at year 15 once it</p>	Construction (temporary)	Medium	Moderate Adverse Not Significant
		Operation Year 1	Medium	Moderate Adverse Not Significant
		Operation Year 15	Low	Minor Adverse

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	<p>has begun to mature and management of existing hedgerows has allowed for a higher level of growth, adding to the 'strong field pattern' of the LCA. The change from low managed hedgerow to a higher height would potentially have an adverse effect within the Vale of Belvoir LCA, due to increased enclosure within a relatively open landscape.</p> <p>Decommissioning works would cause disturbance to the landscape character including movement of traffic. Mitigation measures would be retained.</p> <p>Land east of Jericho Covert, Jericho Lane cumulative site falls within this LCA. . It is assumed that proposals for the scheme will include landscape mitigation measures to retain and enhance existing landscape elements such as hedgerows, trees and field pattern. The addition of this site in the landscape would not cause significant effects on the landscape character.</p>			Not significant
		Decommissioning (temporary)	Low	Minor Adverse Not significant
LCA 2 Bottesford: Medium	<p>The construction and presence of a solar development at year 1 may appear to extend the nucleated townscape within the vale landscape, this may cause a medium magnitude of change, reducing to low by year 15 and during decommissioning when mitigation measures are in place.</p> <p>Cumulative sites do not fall within this LCA.</p>	Construction (temporary)	Medium	Moderate Adverse Not Significant
		Operation Year 1	Medium	Moderate Adverse Not Significant
		Operation Year 15	Low	Minor Adverse Not significant

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LCA 9 Parkland: Medium	The site and surrounding landscape are very much of the character of the Vale of Belvoir and Bottesford landscapes. There would be no direct effect on the parkland landscape resulting in a negligible magnitude of change. Cumulative sites do not fall within this LCA.	Construction (temporary)	Negligible	Neutral Not significant
		Operation Year 1	Negligible	Negligible Neutral
		Operation Year 15	Negligible	Neutral Not significant
		Decommissioning (temporary)	Negligible	Neutral Not significant