

Appendix 7.2

FIELD SURVEY SHEETS



Charnwood Forest Landscape Character Assessment

Landscape Character Field Survey

Date: 19th February 2019	Sheet No: 1
Location: Blackbrook Reservoir	Direction of View: North

Landscape Components *Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Landform & Hydrology							
Upland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Ridge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Narrow Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lowland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rounded Hills	<input type="checkbox"/>	River	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floodplain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gently Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Escarpment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reservoir	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Ponds	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sloping	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flat	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stream/Brook	<input type="checkbox"/>	Marsh	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Undulating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Broad Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lake	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Land Cover & Vegetation							
Built development	<input type="checkbox"/>	Woodland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D	Ridge & Furrow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allotments / nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D	Copse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parkland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Golf Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pasture	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Trees	<input type="checkbox"/>	Outcrop	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heathland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I (Disused)				
Species / Age / Structure / Typical Species		Some large oak trees along roads, woodland clumps consisting of mixed deciduous species					
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Field Pattern					
Large	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ↑	Small	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irregular	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ↓	Regular	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Field Enclosure							
Hedgerow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Walls - slate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fence	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wet Ditch	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hedgerow Trees	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wall - stone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Tree Rows	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Some trees along field boundaries, hedgerows and walls.							
Some walls in need of repair							
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Settlement Pattern							
Towns	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village / Hamlet	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urban Fringe	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Farm Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Non Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Large Single Dwellings	<input type="checkbox"/>
Age / Materials		Little development, views to settlements to north. Small farmstead built from red brick and stone					
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Landscape Elements / Distinctive Features

Insert relevant letter where appropriate
 D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant

Church	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village Settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Watercourse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lane	<input type="checkbox"/> A
Farm Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Country Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Body	<input type="checkbox"/>	Road	<input type="checkbox"/> A
Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>	Masts / Poles	<input type="checkbox"/> I	Footpath	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Motorway	<input type="checkbox"/>
Residential	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pylons	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bridleway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Attributes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ruin/ Heritage building	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tracks	<input type="checkbox"/>	Long Distance Route	<input type="checkbox"/>	Railway	<input type="checkbox"/>

Perception

Scale	Mostly large scale, wide views to north and medium to large open fields.
Openness	More open to the north across lower lying land, wooded and enclosed to the south due to landform and vegetation
Diversity	Quite diverse, area has a mix of water body, woodland, pastoral fields and trees
Pattern	Overall pattern is irregular due to mix of fields and woodland, although overall field pattern is more regular
Texture	The overall texture is smooth due to the open pastoral fields but with small pockets of rougher grassland and heath
Accessibility	The area is quite accessible with a number of footpaths and open access land
Movement	The roads through the area are busy such as Swannymote Road
Biodiversity	There are good links between hedgerow corridors and woodland blocks as well as the water feature at the reservoir.
Tranquillity	The area is fairly tranquil but broken by sounds of planes overhead and also distant mineral workings. Passing traffic also causes disturbance.
Visibility	Visibility varies with long, open views to the north across the lower lying landform, but more contained to the south by woodland blocks and rising topography
Condition	Medium to high- most walls and hedges are intact and the landscape is managed although there is evidence of some walls needing repair

Landscape Description

A rural landscape on falling landform with a mix of open fields and woodland blocks with little development in the area. Settlements are visible in views to the north.

Intermittent birdsong is reflective of the relative tranquillity of character area, although disturbance is caused from distant noise from planes and mineral workings and more localised passing traffic.

Long views to East Midlands Airport and Ratcliffe-on-Soar Power Station to the north but views to Shepshed settlement are limited by surrounding woodland.

The character area is influenced by the settlement but not visually in this location, more from prevailing urban noise.

The area includes small areas of heath with gorse, stone walls and areas of rough grassland.

Low voltage overhead lines cross through the area.

Pressures for Change / Management Issues and Opportunities

Agriculture

Fields are medium to large size and predominantly arable, bound by hedgerows which need continual management.

Farmland is generally well managed overall.

Mineral extractive industries are potentially a pressure for change in this area.

Trees and Woodland

Areas of woodland will require on going management

Mature trees line stone walls around fields and along roads. These will require management as they are mature. Consider issues of potential damage to walls and replacements of dead trees in the future.

Buildings / Settlements

A heritage windmill structure off Charley Road provides local landmark feature.
Farmsteads have strong vernacular and use of traditional materials

Archaeological / Historic Components

Historic influence of small scale disused quarry combined with reservoir and old boat house.

Other Land Use

Small areas of heath land with rocky outcrop and rough grassland. Coverage is not as extensive as in other areas.

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Charnwood Forest Landscape Character Assessment

Landscape Character Field Survey

Date: 19th February 2019

Sheet No: 2

Location: Little Low Woods Farm

Direction of View: East- West

Landscape Components Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant

Landform & Hydrology

Upland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ridge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Narrow Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lowland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rounded Hills	<input type="checkbox"/>	River	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floodplain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gently Rolling	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Escarpment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reservoir	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ponds	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sloping	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flat	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stream/Brook	<input type="checkbox"/>	Marsh	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Broad Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lake	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Land Cover & Vegetation

Built development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	(Edges)	Woodland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ridge & Furrow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allotments / nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Copse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parkland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Golf Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pasture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Scattered Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Outcrop	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heathland	<input type="checkbox"/>		Quarry	<input type="checkbox"/>				

Species / Age / Structure / Typical Species Native field boundary hedgerows

Field Pattern

Large	<input type="checkbox"/>	Small	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irregular	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medium	<input type="checkbox"/>	Regular	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Scale & pattern of fields is variable. Some very small along lane, others much larger

Field Enclosure

Hedgerow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Walls - slate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fence	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wet Ditch	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hedgerow Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wall - stone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tree Rows	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Some pony paddocks with tape fences

Settlement Pattern

Towns	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village / Hamlet	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vernacular Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urban Fringe	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Farm Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Non Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Large Single Dwellings	<input type="checkbox"/>

Age / Materials Edge of Shepshed just visible through the trees as red brick and tile roofs. Otherwise, vernacular traditional buildings of stone and brick with slate roofing. Stone is quite red colour.

Landscape Elements / Distinctive Features

Insert relevant letter where appropriate
 D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant

Church (views)	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Village Settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Watercourse	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Lane	<input type="checkbox"/> A
Farm Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Country Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Body	<input type="checkbox"/>	Road	<input type="checkbox"/> A
Industrial (views)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Masts / Poles	<input type="checkbox"/> I	Footpath	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Motorway	<input type="checkbox"/>
Residential	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Pylons	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bridleway	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Special Attributes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ruin/ Heritage building	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tracks	<input type="checkbox"/> I	Long Distance Route	<input type="checkbox"/>	Railway(disused)	<input type="checkbox"/> I

Perception

Scale	Quite large scale due to open fields and long views, especially to the north and beyond forest boundary. Influences from adjacent landscape.
Openness	Area is open with some woodland but still long views and little settlement.
Diversity	This is quite limited due to predominantly large arable fields and less woodland cover.
Pattern	A mixed pattern due to varied field sizes and small areas of woodland and edge of settlement.
Texture	Texture is smoother than in other areas due to open larger arable fields.
Accessibility	Area is accessible with road and footpath network
Movement	Area is quite quiet, but traffic along lanes and visible passing along larger roads in the area
Biodiversity	Some biodiversity from the mix of brook, field hedgerows and small areas of woodland, although simpler mix of habitat than in other areas.
Tranquillity	Fairly quiet, but some background noise from road traffic and distant planes approaching East Midlands Airport to the north.
Visibility	Long views are possible to the north to adjacent landscape. To the south, views to higher landform are possible.
Condition	The overall condition is good as the landscape is intact and managed

Landscape Description

A lower lying, more open landscape with long views possible to the north, beyond the forest boundary. Predominantly arable farmland with some pony paddocks with larger settlement edge visible through the trees around Shepshed.

Former railway line has features including red brick bridges etc.

A mast is a local visual point of reference for the area.

Perceptually the area feels like a lower landscape but the land continues to fall further to the north.

More settlement is visible towards the north and north west.

Pressures for Change / Management Issues and Opportunities

Agriculture

Maintain small scale fields in linear pattern off Forest Lane as these are distinctive feature.

Overall, the area is generally well managed.

Trees and Woodland

Hedgerows and small woodland blocks will require ongoing management with infill planting to hedgerows where required.

Some fields are sub-divided into equine paddocks with visually intrusive tape fencing.

Buildings / Settlements

Some attractive historic farmhouses.

Wider settlement of Shepshed is just visible through the trees, need to keep the soft edge.

Archaeological / Historic Components

Former railway line forms a linear feature through the area punctuated with bridges and associated features.

Other Land Use

Black Brook and Grace Dieu Brooks flow through the area.

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Charnwood Forest Landscape Character Assessment

Landscape Character Field Survey

Date: 26th February 2019

Sheet No: 3

Location: Lubcloud Farm

Direction of View: West-East

Landscape Components *Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Landform & Hydrology

Upland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Ridge	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Narrow Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lowland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rounded Hills	<input type="checkbox"/>	River	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floodplain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gently Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Escarpment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reservoir	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I	Ponds	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I
Sloping	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Flat	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stream/Brook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I	Marsh	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Undulating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Broad Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lake	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Land Cover & Vegetation

Built development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I	Woodland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Ridge & Furrow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allotments / nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Copse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parkland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Golf Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pasture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D	Scattered Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I	Outcrop	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heathland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Quarry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A				

Species / Age / Structure / Typical Species species include holly, pine trees, roadside oaks and mixed woodland

Field Pattern

Large	<input type="checkbox"/>	Small	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Irregular	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A
Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Regular	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Field Enclosure

Hedgerow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Walls - slate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Fence	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I	Wet Ditch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I
Hedgerow Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Wall - stone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Tree Rows	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

stone walls with tree lined roads

Settlement Pattern

Towns	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village / Hamlet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Vernacular Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urban Fringe	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Farm Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Non Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Large Single Dwellings	<input type="checkbox"/>

Age / Materials churches- mainly stone & slate tiling

Landscape Elements / Distinctive Features

Insert relevant letter where appropriate
 D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant

Church	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Village Settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Watercourse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lane (straight)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Farm Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Country Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Body	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Road	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>	Masts / Poles Wind Turbines	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Footpath	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Motorway	<input type="checkbox"/>
Residential	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pylons	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bridleway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Special Attributes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (rocky outcrops)
Ruin/ Heritage building	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tracks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Long Distance Route	<input type="checkbox"/>	Railway	<input type="checkbox"/>

Perception

Scale	An overall large scale due to long views possible from high points
Openness	Very open from high vantage points although views include woodlands
Diversity	Area is quite diverse with a mix of fields of varying size and pattern as well as mature woodlands
Pattern	Pattern is also mixed due to combination of quarrying, reservoir, woodland and fields
Texture	Some rougher texture associated with higher ground which includes mixed woodland and heath with rocks and rough grassland
Accessibility	Quite accessible with a number of footpaths
Movement	Rural lanes are quite busy, although limited number of roads. M1 corridor is nearby.
Biodiversity	Area is diverse due to a mix of habitats including water, hedges, woodland and areas of heath
Tranquillity	This varies. The M1 is an influence due to background noise and views to East Midlands Airport are possible. Also noise from farm vehicles
Visibility	Long views are possible from high points to surrounding areas. Straight roads allow vistas, especially when heading north.
Condition	The overall landscape is managed and intact with complete hedgerows.

Landscape Description

An undulating landscape which includes a mix of landuses including areas of quarrying as well as farmland and woodland with areas of heathland.

The area has a large scale with long views possible to adjacent areas, especially from high points, as well as long views along straight roads.

Fields have a mix of sizes and pattern.

Some historic influences are evident in the area from Mount St Bernard Abbey, Grace Dieu Priory, the school and churches.

The area is quite open in parts with long views to other areas possible from higher ground.

Overall, the area appears well managed with intact hedgerows and walls.

Pressures for Change / Management Issues and Opportunities

Agriculture

Maintain smaller scale field pattern through retention of hedgerows.

Trees and Woodland

Manage mature woodlands and maintain oak trees lining roads.

Buildings / Settlements

Little settlement overall.
Area includes some interesting historic influences notably from Grace Dieu school, Mount St Bernard Abbey and churches.

Archaeological / Historic Components

St Bernard Monastery/ Abbey

St James Church

Grace Dieu Priory & School

Other Land Use

Some pony paddocks appearing

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Charnwood Forest Landscape Character Assessment

Landscape Character Field Survey

Date: 26th February 2019

Sheet No: 4

Location: Bardon Hill Quarry

Direction of View: South-South East

Landscape Components *Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Landform & Hydrology

Upland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ridge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Narrow Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lowland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rounded Hills	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	River	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floodplain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gently Undulating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Escarpment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reservoir	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ponds	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sloping	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flat	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stream/Brook	<input type="checkbox"/>	Marsh	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Broad Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lake	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Land Cover & Vegetation

Built development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Woodland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ridge & Furrow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allotments / nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Copse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parkland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Golf Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pasture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Trees	<input type="checkbox"/>	Outcrop	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heathland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Quarry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				

Species / Age / Structure / Typical Species Area of landscape restoration including new planting & grassland, pine woodland

Field Pattern

Large	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Small	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irregular	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medium	<input type="checkbox"/>	Regular	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Field Enclosure

Hedgerow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Walls - slate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fence	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wet Ditch	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hedgerow Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wall - stone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tree Rows	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Settlement Pattern

Towns	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village / Hamlet	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Urban Fringe	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Farm Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Non Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Large Single Dwellings	<input type="checkbox"/>

Age / Materials Adjacent residential area of Agar Nook with modern development

Landscape Elements / Distinctive Features

Insert relevant letter where appropriate
 D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant

Church	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village Settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Watercourse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lane	<input type="checkbox" value="I"/>
Farm Buildings	<input type="checkbox" value="I"/>	Country Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Body	<input type="checkbox"/>	Road	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>
Industrial	<input type="checkbox" value="I"/>	Masts / Poles	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Footpath	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Motorway	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>
Residential	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Pylons	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Bridleway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Attributes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ruin/ Heritage building	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tracks	<input type="checkbox"/>	Long Distance Route	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Railway	<input type="checkbox"/>

Perception

Scale	Large scale due to expanse of quarrying in the area, also much more highly settled than in more central areas.
Openness	Open with long views possible from higher land, although area woodlands which give enclosure, and within settlements.
Diversity	Area is diverse with a mix of woodlands, deciduous and pine plantation, as well as mineral industry and settlement. Some small areas of farmland
Pattern	Pattern is varied and features old and new landscape with areas of restoration and new planting
Texture	Large areas of rough texture through restoration grassland, new woodland planting and settlement
Accessibility	Ivanhoe Way crosses through area, although otherwise quite limited footpaths.
Movement	Mainly associated with busy roads and quarrying activity
Biodiversity	Area is quite diverse due to areas of mature woodland combined with newly restored quarrying areas with rough grassland and new woodland planting. Also a mix of woodland types with broadleaf and conifer plantation.
Tranquillity	Area is not tranquil due to noise from settlements, roads and from quarrying activity.
Visibility	Long distance views are possible, but are more glimpsed than in other areas. Visibility limited in some areas due to settlement and woodland
Condition	Area is scarred by quarrying although restored areas will mature and create expanse of green.

Landscape Description

A heavily settled area also greatly influenced by quarrying which is large scale in the area. There are however large areas of land restoration with grassland and tree planting which will mature to provide substantial areas of green infrastructure in the area.

The settlements edges influence the adjacent landscape visually as well as through noise which creates disturbance, especially when combined with quarrying noise.

The area is a changing landscape and will change in the future as restoration schemes mature and extend the green in the area.

Pressures for Change / Management Issues and Opportunities

Agriculture

Potential for more fields to be lost to quarrying
Restoration does give opportunities for habitat creation with new grassland & woodland.

Trees and Woodland

Restoration includes extensive new tree planting which will mature and provide green structure to the area.

Buildings / Settlements

Expect pressures for some further expansion to settlements, Whitwick, Thringstone and Agar Nook as close to Coalville.

Archaeological / Historic Components

Some features ie moated site at Old Hall Farm etc. These should be protected from adjacent large scale industry.

Other Land Use

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Charnwood Forest Landscape Character Assessment

Landscape Character Field Survey

Date: 27th February 2019

Sheet No: 5

Location: Markfield

Direction of View: South - North West

Landscape Components *Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Landform & Hydrology

Upland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ridge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Narrow Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lowland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rounded Hills	<input type="checkbox"/>	River	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floodplain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gently Undulating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Escarpment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reservoir	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ponds	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sloping	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flat	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stream/Brook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Marsh	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Broad Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lake	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Land Cover & Vegetation

Built development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Woodland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ridge & Furrow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allotments / nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Copse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parkland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Golf Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pasture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Trees in Hedgerows	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Outcrop	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heathland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarry	<input type="checkbox"/>				

Species / Age / Structure / Typical Species _____

Field Pattern

Large	<input type="checkbox"/>	Small	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Irregular	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Regular	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Field Enclosure

Hedgerow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Walls - slate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fence	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wet Ditch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hedgerow Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wall - stone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tree Rows	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Settlement Pattern

Towns	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village / Hamlet	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urban Fringe	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Farm Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Non Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Large Single Dwellings	<input type="checkbox"/>

Age / Materials _____

Landscape Elements / Distinctive Features*Insert relevant letter where appropriate
D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Church	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Village Settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Watercourse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lane	<input type="checkbox"/>
Farm Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Country Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Body	<input type="checkbox"/>	Road	<input type="checkbox"/>
Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>	Masts / Poles	<input type="checkbox"/>	Footpath	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Motorway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Sound)
Residential	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Pylons	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bridleway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Attributes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ruin/ Heritage building	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tracks	<input type="checkbox"/>	Long Distance Route	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Railway	<input type="checkbox"/>

Perception

Scale	A medium to small scale landscape associated with the edge of Markfield
Openness	Limited by landform and hedgerows and trees
Diversity	Area is quite uniform consisting of farmland with a regular pattern of fields and the settlement edge
Pattern	The pattern of fields is regular bound by hedgerows with hedgerow trees
Texture	The overall texture is smooth due to open fields, but texture from the settlement edge.
Accessibility	Area is accessible with a number of footpaths leading out of Markfield
Movement	M1 corridor is not visible but proximity is evident by sound. Only occasional glimpses are possible of traffic passing along motorway
Biodiversity	This is limited due to the regular pattern of fields and hedgerows
Tranquillity	The area is not tranquil due to traffic noise from the M1 and A50
Visibility	Views are mostly short to medium due to landform and vegetated field boundaries
Condition	Overall a reasonable condition due to managed hedgerows.

Landscape Description

This area is of a small scale with a smaller pattern of fields, adjacent to the edge of Markfield.

Enclosure is created through the localised undulating landform and vegetation on field boundaries, although there is not a lot of woodland.

Tranquillity is affected by noise from the M1 and A50 which lies to the north of the village, as well as noise from the settlement.

Views are limited by landform and hedgerows.

Pressures for Change / Management Issues and Opportunities

Agriculture

Small scale fields with multiple hedges help create enclosure.

Trees and Woodland

Maintain hedges and trees which give impression of greater tree cover.

Buildings / Settlements

Likely pressure from ongoing expansion of Markfield.

Archaeological / Historic Components

Old quarry on edge of Markfield and scenic viewpoint is a local feature, although not visible from this location.

Other Land Use

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Charnwood Forest Landscape Character Assessment

Landscape Character Field Survey

Date: 27th February 2019

Sheet No: 6

Location: Groby Lodge Estate

Direction of View: North West

Landscape Components *Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Landform & Hydrology

Upland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ridge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Narrow Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lowland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rounded Hills	<input type="checkbox"/>	River	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floodplain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rolling	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Escarpment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reservoir	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ponds	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sloping	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flat	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stream/Brook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Marsh	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Broad Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lake	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Land Cover & Vegetation

Built development	<input type="checkbox"/>	Woodland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ridge & Furrow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allotments / nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Copse	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Parkland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Golf Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pasture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Trees	<input type="checkbox"/>	Outcrop	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heathland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarry	<input type="checkbox"/>				

Species / Age / Structure / Typical Species Grassland. Some new plantation. Mix of woodland ages.

Field Pattern

Large	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Small	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irregular	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Regular	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Field Enclosure

Hedgerow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Walls - slate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fence	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wet Ditch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hedgerow Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wall - stone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tree Rows	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Settlement Pattern

Towns	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village / Hamlet	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urban Fringe	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Farm Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Non Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Large Single Dwellings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Age / Materials Views to edge of Leicester.

Landscape Elements / Distinctive Features

Insert relevant letter where appropriate
 D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant

Church	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village Settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Watercourse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lane	<input type="checkbox"/> A
Farm Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Country Houses	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Water Body (Pond)	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Road	<input type="checkbox"/> A
Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>	Masts / Poles (in views)	<input type="checkbox"/> I	Footpath	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Motorway	<input type="checkbox"/> A (Sound)
Residential	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pylons	<input type="checkbox"/> I	Bridleway	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Special Attributes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ruin/ Heritage building	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tracks	<input type="checkbox"/>	Long Distance Route	<input type="checkbox"/>	Railway	<input type="checkbox"/>

Perception

Scale	Quite large scale with large open fields and views
Openness	Generally open allowing some long views, but with woodland clumps
Diversity	Quite diverse with a mixed age of woodlands. Some mature woodland blocks and some new plantations (National Forest). Also, hedgerows, ponds and small areas of heath.
Pattern	A regular pattern in some areas, but more random in others due to field pattern and mix of landuses.
Texture	Overall smooth texture from open fields. Pockets of rougher texture form rock outcrops and associated heath and woodland.
Accessibility	Area is accessible with a number of footpaths and a bridleway
Movement	Glimpses only of traffic on the M1 and on the local road network
Biodiversity	Area is quite diverse due to mix of woodlands, wet habitat, small heaths and hedgerows
Tranquillity	Area is quite tranquil, but is underlying noise from the M1
Visibility	Some longer views are possible towards the edge of Leicester which feature turbines, pylons etc
Condition	Overall good condition with woodland management evident

Landscape Description

This area has an estate parkland feel due to the managed woodlands and fields within the area. Large properties area also visible.

There are some external influences from the M1 and long views towards the city of Leicester, but otherwise, the area feels quite remote.

Pressures for Change / Management Issues and Opportunities

Agriculture

Continue to manage hedgerows on field boundaries

Trees and Woodland

National Forest planting project.
Looks like woodland is managed for coppicing.

Buildings / Settlements

Generally low in this area but with a large house and other scattered farm buildings visible.

Archaeological / Historic Components

Large house features in views is attractive property.

Other Land Use

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Charnwood Forest Landscape Character Assessment

Landscape Character Field Survey

Date: 27th February 2019

Sheet No: 7

Location: Groby Pool Area

Direction of View: North - South

Landscape Components *Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Landform & Hydrology

Upland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ridge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Narrow Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lowland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rounded Hills	<input type="checkbox"/>	River	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floodplain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gently Undulating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Escarpment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reservoir	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ponds	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sloping	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flat	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stream/Brook	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Broad Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lake (pool- former quarry)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Land Cover & Vegetation

Built development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Woodland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ridge & Furrow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allotments / nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arable	<input type="checkbox"/>	Copse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parkland Estate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Golf Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pasture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Trees	<input type="checkbox"/>	Outcrop	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heathland (pockets)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Quarry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				

Species / Age / Structure / Typical Species Birch trees tend to be growing out of rock faces

Field Pattern

Large	<input type="checkbox"/>	Small	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Irregular	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Regular	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Field Enclosure

Hedgerow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Walls - slate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fence	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wet Ditch	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hedgerow Trees	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wall - stone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tree Rows (along boundaries)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Settlement Pattern

Towns	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village / Hamlet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Vernacular Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urban Fringe	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Farm Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Non Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Large Single Dwellings	<input type="checkbox"/>

Age / Materials Close to edge of Groby and Newtown Linford

Landscape Elements / Distinctive Features*Insert relevant letter where appropriate
D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Church	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Village Settlement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Watercourse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lane	<input type="checkbox"/>
Farm Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Country Houses	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Water Body	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Road	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A
Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>	Masts / Poles	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Footpath	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Motorway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A (Sound)
Residential	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Pylons	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bridleway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Attributes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ruin/ Heritage building	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I	Tracks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Long Distance Route	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Railway	<input type="checkbox"/>

Perception

Scale	A quite distinct medium scale landscape between Groby and Newtown Linford
Openness	Slight valley formation creates enclosure. Also enclosed from former quarries and woodlands
Diversity	Area is diverse with a mix of woodlands, grasslands, heathland and quarried landscape
Pattern	The pattern is more regular near to the settlement edges, but is more mixed in the central area which features the woodlands, grassland and pool
Texture	This varies, some areas of rough grassland, heath and woodland around the former quarries, but then fields towards Newtown Linford give a smoother texture.
Accessibility	The area is accessible with a number of informal and formal footpaths
Movement	There is little movement away from the lane, although a number of walkers were evident
Biodiversity	Biodiversity is good due to the mix of woodlands, hedgerows, grassland and scrubland. There is also Groby Pool and a number of other water features
Tranquillity	The area is tranquil being away from the settlements, but there is underlying background noise from the M1
Visibility	Visibility is limited due to localised landform and woodland
Condition	Area is quite well managed with public facilities at Groby pool.

Landscape Description

This area is a restored landscape with evidence of former quarrying which is now given over to woodland. Still some current quarrying at Groby.

Groby Pool is an attractive feature with associated pool house and stone walls.

There is a well established grazed landscape comprising semi-natural grassland habitats.

Mature hedgerow and tree boundaries enclose the medium scale, gently undulating open space.

Pressures for Change / Management Issues and Opportunities

Agriculture

Maintain regular and smaller scale field pattern.

Trees and Woodland

Continue woodland management to maintain age range of vegetation.

Buildings / Settlements

Area includes edges of Groby and Newtown Linford which have distinctive vernacular, although Groby has expanded.

Ensure expansion includes vegetated edges.

Archaeological / Historic Components

Motte & Bailey Castle at Groby and boat house are features of interest.

Other Land Use

Management of restored quarries gives beneficial environmental opportunities.

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Charnwood Forest Landscape Character Assessment

Landscape Character Field Survey

Date: 27th February 2019

Sheet No: 8

Location: Stanton under Bardon

Direction of View: South

Landscape Components *Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Landform & Hydrology

Upland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ridge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Narrow Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lowland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rounded Hills	<input type="checkbox"/>	River	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floodplain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rolling	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Escarpment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reservoir	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ponds	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sloping	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flat	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stream/Brook	<input type="checkbox"/>	Marsh	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Broad Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lake	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Land Cover & Vegetation

Built development	<input type="checkbox"/>	Woodland (new plantation)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ridge & Furrow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allotments / nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Copse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parkland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Golf Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pasture	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Trees	<input type="checkbox"/>	Outcrop	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heathland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarry	<input type="checkbox"/>				

Species / Age / Structure / Typical Species _____

Field Pattern

Large	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Small	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irregular	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medium	<input type="checkbox"/>	Regular	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Field Enclosure

Hedgerow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Walls - slate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fence (post & rail)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wet Ditch	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hedgerow Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wall - stone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tree Rows	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Settlement Pattern

Towns	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village / Hamlet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urban Fringe	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Farm Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Non Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Large Single Dwellings	<input type="checkbox"/>

Age / Materials Stone at Stanton-under-Bardon / brick at Thornton

Landscape Elements / Distinctive Features

Insert relevant letter where appropriate
 D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant

Church	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Village Settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Watercourse	<input type="checkbox"/> I	Lane	<input type="checkbox"/> A
Farm Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Country Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Body (Pond)	<input type="checkbox"/> I	Road	<input type="checkbox"/> A
Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>	Masts / Poles (Sub-Station)	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Footpath	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Motorway	<input type="checkbox"/>
Residential	<input type="checkbox"/> I	Pylons	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Bridleway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Attributes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ruin/ Heritage building (Bagworth Park)	<input type="checkbox"/> I	Tracks	<input type="checkbox"/>	Long Distance Route-Ivanhoe	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Railway	<input type="checkbox"/>

Perception

Scale	A large scale in this area due to large open fields with little mature woodland
Openness	Open in fields but more enclosed through woodlands
Diversity	More simple with only arable fields or woodlands
Pattern	A more simple and regular pattern than in some areas with large fields and large wood plantations
Texture	This is mixed. Large arable fields are smooth but new woodland plantations give area of rougher texture
Accessibility	Area is quite accessible with a number of footpaths
Movement	There is movement along lanes only.
Biodiversity	Biodiversity is more limited than in other areas due to simple pattern of fields and woods.
Tranquillity	Area is quieter than other places, due to less settlement and less busy roads
Visibility	Panoramic views are possible with open horizons. Mid to long range views are possible from higher ground
Condition	Overall condition is mixed with a less formal feel. More un-managed or outgrown hedgerows

Landscape Description

A much larger scale landscape than in other more central areas. Large open fields with less mature woodland give an open feel.

Areas of more recent woodland plantations are common and are all of a similar age. These will mature to create more structure to the area.

The area features little settlement and is quite tranquil as a result.

Pressures for Change / Management Issues and Opportunities

Agriculture

Hedgerows on field boundaries need to be managed through gapping up or cutting back.

Trees and Woodland

Ensure management of hedgerows to maintain continual boundaries.
New woodland planting will require management to create variety of structure.

Buildings / Settlements

Maintain vernacular of villages through use of appropriate materials

Archaeological / Historic Components

Some interest at Bagworth Park Hall.

Other Land Use

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Charnwood Forest Landscape Character Assessment

Landscape Character Field Survey

Date: 6th March 2019

Sheet No: 9

Location: Nanpantan

Direction of View: North

Landscape Components *Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Landform & Hydrology

Upland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ridge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Narrow Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lowland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rounded Hills	<input type="checkbox"/>	River	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floodplain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gently Undulating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Escarpment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reservoir	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ponds (possibly former quarry)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sloping	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flat	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Stream/Brook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Marsh	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Broad Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lake	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other Ditches	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Land Cover & Vegetation

Built development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Woodland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ridge & Furrow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allotments / nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Copse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parkland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Golf Course	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Pasture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Trees	<input type="checkbox"/>	Outcrop	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heathland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarry	<input type="checkbox"/>				

Species / Age / Structure / Typical Species Line of pine trees, native hedgerows

Field Pattern

Large	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Small	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irregular	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Regular	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Field Enclosure

Hedgerow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Walls - slate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fence	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wet Ditch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hedgerow Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wall - stone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tree Rows	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Settlement Pattern

Towns	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village / Hamlet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urban Fringe	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Farm Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Non Vernacular Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Large Single Dwellings	<input type="checkbox"/>

Age / Materials _____

Landscape Elements / Distinctive Features

Insert relevant letter where appropriate
 D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant

Church	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village Settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Watercourse	<input type="checkbox" value="I"/>	Lane	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>
Farm Buildings	<input type="checkbox" value="I"/>	Country Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Body (Quarry)	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Road	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>
Industrial -University	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Masts / Poles	<input type="checkbox" value="I"/>	Footpath	<input type="checkbox" value="I"/>	Motorway	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>
Residential	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Pylons	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bridleway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Attributes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ruin/ Heritage building	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tracks	<input type="checkbox"/>	Long Distance Route	<input type="checkbox"/>	Railway	<input type="checkbox"/>

Perception

Scale	This area has a more medium scale due to enclosure and field pattern. Some longer views are possible towards the north
Openness	The area is quite open but enclosure is created by landform to the south and vegetated field boundaries
Diversity	The area is quite diverse with woodlands, fields with hedgerows and a golf course
Pattern	There is a regular pattern of fields here and on the edge of Loughborough
Texture	Texture is mixed with smoother large scale fields but rough texture from woodlands
Accessibility	Area is quite accessible with some footpaths
Movement	Traffic passing along lanes is visible in some locations
Biodiversity	There is some biodiversity through the mix of woodlands, hedgerows and ditches
Tranquillity	Ara is not particularly tranquil due to noise from M1 general road traffic. Also background noise from local developments
Visibility	Some long views possible across open land to the north
Condition	Overall of good condition with intact hedgerows and a managed golf course

Landscape Description

A relatively low lying flatter landform but with further landfall to the north. This area has edge of settlement influences from the edges of Loughborough and Shepshed which are visible within views, as well as features around the M1 junction. Also the golf course is an edge of settlement landuse nearby.

Fields are relatively large scale and open here, but not extensive between the two larger settlements.

Landform rises to the south and restricts visibility in this direction.

A line of pine trees forms a unique feature and birch trees are also present.

Some small rocky hills and outcrops with stone walling and birch trees are evident, but these are more prominent to the south.

Pressures for Change / Management Issues and Opportunities

Agriculture

Limited agriculture here due to settlements.

Trees and Woodland

Line of pine trees forms a distinctive local feature and birch trees are also present.

Buildings / Settlements

Features on the edge of Shepshed and Loughborough are visible including the university and GLW Feeds building. Some new development is evident at Nanpantan.

Archaeological / Historic Components

Other Land Use

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Charnwood Forest Landscape Character Assessment

Landscape Character Field Survey

Date: 5th March 2019

Sheet No: 10

Location: Edge of Woodhouse

Direction of View: North

Landscape Components *Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Landform & Hydrology

Upland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ridge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Narrow Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lowland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rounded Hills	<input type="checkbox"/>	River	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floodplain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gently Undulating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Escarpment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reservoir	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ponds	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sloping	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flat	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stream/Brook	<input type="checkbox"/>	Marsh	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Broad Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lake	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Gently undulating

Land Cover & Vegetation

Built development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Woodland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ridge & Furrow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allotments / nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Copse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parkland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Golf Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pasture	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Trees	<input type="checkbox"/>	Outcrop	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heathland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarry	<input type="checkbox"/>				

Species / Age / Structure / Typical Species Mixed broadleaf & coniferous

Field Pattern

Large	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Small	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irregular	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medium	<input type="checkbox"/>	Regular	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Field Enclosure

Hedgerow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Walls - slate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fence	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wet Ditch	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hedgerow Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wall - stone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tree Rows	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Settlement Pattern

Towns	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village / Hamlet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Vernacular Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urban Fringe	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Farm Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Non Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Large Single Dwellings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Age / Materials Stone/ brick/ timber & thatched roof
Welbeck Barracks

Landscape Elements / Distinctive Features*Insert relevant letter where appropriate
D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Church (in woodland)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village Settlement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Watercourse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lane	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Farm Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Country Houses	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Water Body	<input type="checkbox"/>	Road	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>	Masts / Poles	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Footpath	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Motorway	<input type="checkbox"/>
Residential	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Pylons	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bridleway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Attributes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ruin/ Heritage building	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tracks	<input type="checkbox"/>	Long Distance Route	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Railway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Perception

Scale	Scale is medium to large due to larger field patter in this area and open views to the north.
Openness	Area is open with some woodland blocks but extensive open fields.
Diversity	Some diversity through small woodlands blocks, hedgerows and mix of fields, but fairly limited compared to other areas
Pattern	Quite uniform with regular pattern of open fields
Texture	Predominantly smooth grassland texture with pockets of rougher wooded areas
Accessibility	Good number of footpaths and a long distance route
Movement	Roads are busy with traffic passing at speed along the lanes
Biodiversity	Quite limited due to less diversity of land uses. Less woodland cover than in other areas.
Tranquillity	This is affected by road noise although not from the M1 here. Also noise from outdoor pursuits (Welbeck or Beaumanor Hall). Otherwise, quite peaceful.
Visibility	There are long open views to the north with extensive horizons.
Condition	Overall condition is good with evidence of managed hedgerows and some shelter belt planting

Landscape Description

A more uniform landscape with a regular pattern of larger open fields with hedgerows and small blocks of woodland.

Attractive village at Woodhouse with local materials, otherwise, there are quite limited features in the area.

Long views are possible across the open fields to the north.

Pressures for Change / Management Issues and Opportunities

Agriculture

Maintain regular field pattern through management of hedgerows.

Trees and Woodland

Potential opportunities to increase woodland cover in this area.

Buildings / Settlements

No sign of expansion of Woodhouse, which will be more focused around Loughborough.

Archaeological / Historic Components

Railway corridor forms a boundary feature.

Other Land Use

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Charnwood Forest Landscape Character Assessment

Landscape Character Field Survey

Date: 6th March 2019

Sheet No:11

Location: Edge of Mountsorrel by railway

Direction of View: North

Landscape Components *Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Landform & Hydrology

Upland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ridge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Narrow Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lowland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	(views to) Rounded Hills	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	River	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floodplain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Undulating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Escarpment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reservoir	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ponds	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sloping	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flat	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stream/Brook	<input type="checkbox"/>	Marsh	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Broad Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lake	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Land Cover & Vegetation

Built development	<input type="checkbox"/>	Woodland (smaller)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ridge & Furrow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allotments / nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Copse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parkland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Golf Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pasture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Trees	<input type="checkbox"/>	Outcrop	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heathland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarry	<input type="checkbox"/>				

Species / Age / Structure / Typical Species _____

Field Pattern

Large	<input type="checkbox"/>	Small	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irregular	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medium	<input type="checkbox"/>	Regular	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Mixed large & medium _____

Field Enclosure

Hedgerow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Walls - slate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fence	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wet Ditch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hedgerow Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wall - stone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tree Rows	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Settlement Pattern

Towns	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village / Hamlet	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urban Fringe	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Farm Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Non Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Large Single Dwellings	<input type="checkbox"/>

Age / Materials Views to Woodhouse Eaves & beyond _____

Landscape Elements / Distinctive Features

*Insert relevant letter where appropriate
D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Church	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village Settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Watercourse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lane	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A
Farm Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Country Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Body	<input type="checkbox"/>	Road	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A
Industrial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I	Masts / Poles	<input type="checkbox"/>	Footpath	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Motorway	<input type="checkbox"/>
Residential	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pylons	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bridleway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Attributes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ruin/ Heritage building	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tracks	<input type="checkbox"/>	Long Distance Route	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Railway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A

Perception

Scale	A medium to large scale due to larger fields and less woodland cover
Openness	More open as flatter landform and less tree cover
Diversity	Quite limited diversity as predominantly open fields with hedgerows and only small woodland blocks
Pattern	Uniform and regular pattern of open fields bound by hedgerows
Texture	Generally smooth texture from open fields and low woodland cover
Accessibility	Good footpath links with long distance route linking to adjacent areas
Movement	Generally quiet with few roads. Some traffic on lanes but minimal compared to other areas
Biodiversity	Limited biodiversity as only hedgerows with trees and small woodland blocks
Tranquillity	Fairly tranquil due to little settlement and less traffic noise than other areas
Visibility	Good with longer open views to the west to adjacent character area
Condition	Good overall with managed fields and intact hedgerow pattern

Landscape Description

A medium scale agricultural landscape with some open views possible to the west and the adjacent character area. Views include the edge of Woodhouse Eaves and higher more wooded ground beyond.

Generally limited features due to predominantly open farmland with little settlement and connecting roads.

A long distance route leads through the area connecting with the adjacent character areas.

Pressures for Change / Management Issues and Opportunities

Agriculture

Development evident and large scale farming at Rushey Fields Farm.

Trees and Woodland

Maintain field boundary hedgerows.
Look for opportunities to increase tree cover

Buildings / Settlements

Distinctive linear villages are a feature, with traditional building materials, these need to be protected.
Flatter landform allows farm expansion.

Archaeological / Historic Components

Railway line forms distinct boundary to the area.

Other Land Use

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Charnwood Forest Landscape Character Assessment

Landscape Character Field Survey

Date: 6th March 2019

Sheet No: 12

Location: Swithland Reservoir

Direction of View: West

Landscape Components *Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Landform & Hydrology

Upland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I	Ridge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Narrow Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lowland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rounded Hills	<input type="checkbox"/>	River	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floodplain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gently Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Escarpment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reservoir	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Ponds	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sloping	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flat	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stream/Brook	<input type="checkbox"/>	Marsh	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Broad Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lake	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A

Recent landform change from extensive quarry spoil mounds

Land Cover & Vegetation

Built development	<input type="checkbox"/>	Woodland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D	Ridge & Furrow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allotments / nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arable	<input type="checkbox"/>	Copse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parkland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Golf Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pasture	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Trees	<input type="checkbox"/>	Outcrop	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heathland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarry	<input type="checkbox"/>				

Species / Age / Structure / Typical Species Grassland/ spoil, birch plantations

Field Pattern

Large	<input type="checkbox"/>	Small	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irregular	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medium	<input type="checkbox"/>	Regular	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D

Small to medium regular- but generally not perceived due to abundance of spoil mounding

Field Enclosure

Hedgerow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Walls - slate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fence	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wet Ditch	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hedgerow Trees	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wall - stone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D	Tree Rows	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Railings around reservoir- extensive coverage

Settlement Pattern

Towns	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village / Hamlet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D	Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urban Fringe	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Farm Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I	Non Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Large Single Dwellings	<input type="checkbox"/>

Age / Materials Reservoir & station buildings- Victorian industrial heritage

Landscape Elements / Distinctive Features

Insert relevant letter where appropriate
 D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant

Church	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village Settlement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Watercourse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lane	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Farm Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Country Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Body	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Road	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Industrial Heritage	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Masts / Poles	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Footpath	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Motorway	<input type="checkbox"/>
Residential	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Pylons	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bridleway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Attributes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ruin/ Heritage building	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tracks	<input type="checkbox"/>	Long Distance Route	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Railway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Perception

Scale	A large scale landscape due to the large scale of features such as the extensive quarry, large reservoir and settlement.
Openness	Enclosure is created by quarry spoil mounds although open views are possible across the reservoir
Diversity	Area is quite diverse with areas of open grassland including some wet grassland, woodland blocks, the large water body and large quarry
Pattern	Pattern is irregular and mixed due to mix of land uses in the area
Texture	Texture is much rougher than in other areas due to areas due to mix of rough grassland, woodlands and quarrying including spoil mounds
Accessibility	Accessibility is good with footpaths and the Leicestershire Round passing through the area
Movement	The area is busy with traffic on lanes and an overall network of roads
Biodiversity	Quite diverse as a result of the mix of woodland, grassland, wetland quarrying and restoration.
Tranquillity	Away from the settlements and quarry, the area is tranquil and quiet, although there is some noise from quarry vehicles.
Visibility	Views are restricted by landform, including spoil mounding and woodland in places, although long views are possible across the open reservoir.
Condition	The condition is contrasting with some older managed features around the reservoir and railway, but newer features from the quarry with new spoil mounds and planting

Landscape Description

A highly settled landscape with large villages which influence the area. The area is also influenced by industrial heritage through features such as the railway and reservoir and associated buildings.

The converted station building at Rothley provides a local community feature of interest.

Mature oaks are common along roads and within field boundaries.

Limited agricultural land with only pockets of farmland between the larger settlement and quarrying land uses.

Pressures for Change / Management Issues and Opportunities

Agriculture

Farmland is being lost to quarry restoration (although restoration could be back to farmland, or woodland and grassland habitat).

Trees and Woodland

Lots of new planting associated with quarrying. This will mature and alter the landscape.

Retain mature birch woodlands as these are a feature of the area.

Buildings / Settlements

Attractive Victorian buildings associated with the reservoir should be maintained.
Pressure for further expansion of existing villages

Archaeological / Historic Components

Sense of industrial heritage through reservoir and railway. Mountsorrel Station is a good community facility providing local heritage information.

Other Land Use

Reservoir is a key feature of the area with distinctive buildings and boundary railings.

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Charnwood Forest Landscape Character Assessment

Landscape Character Field Survey

Date: 6th March 2019

Sheet No:13

Location: Off The Ridings, Rothley

Direction of View: North

Landscape Components *Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Landform & Hydrology

Upland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ridge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Narrow Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lowland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rounded Hills	<input type="checkbox"/>	River	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floodplain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gently Undulating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Escarpment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reservoir	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ponds	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sloping	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flatish	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Stream/Brook	<input type="checkbox"/>	Marsh	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Broad Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lake	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Land Cover & Vegetation

Built development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Woodland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ridge & Furrow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allotments / nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Copse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parkland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Golf Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pasture	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Outcrop	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heathland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarry	<input type="checkbox"/>				

Species / Age / Structure / Typical Species _____

Field Pattern

Large	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Small	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irregular	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Regular	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mixed					

Field Enclosure

Hedgerow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Walls - slate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fence	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wet Ditch	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hedgerow Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wall - stone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tree Rows	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Settlement Pattern

Towns	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village / Hamlet	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vernacular Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urban Fringe	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Farm Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Non Vernacular Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Large Single Dwellings	<input type="checkbox"/>

Age / Materials Large houses along Swithland Lane & settlement edge expansion of Mountsorrel

Landscape Elements / Distinctive Features

Insert relevant letter where appropriate
 D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant

Church	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village Settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Watercourse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lane	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>
Farm Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Country Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Body	<input type="checkbox"/>	Road	<input type="checkbox"/>
Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>	Masts / Poles	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Footpath	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Motorway	<input type="checkbox"/>
Residential	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Pylons	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Bridleway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Spoil heaps in the distance)	<input type="checkbox" value="I"/>
Ruin/ Heritage building	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tracks	<input type="checkbox"/>	Long Distance Route	<input type="checkbox"/>	Railway	<input type="checkbox"/>

Perception

Scale	Medium to large landscape due to field size and views
Openness	Open landscape with relatively low tree cover, although quite settled.
Diversity	Limited diversity due to predominantly arable farmland and residential edge with only some woodland blocks
Pattern	A uniform pattern of larger scale fields and settlement edge
Texture	Generally smooth due to large open arable fields
Accessibility	Limited PROW network through the area
Movement	Fairly quiet with lower levels of traffic along local roads
Biodiversity	Some biodiversity from hedgerows, woodlands and ponds but large scale fields limit overall biodiversity
Tranquillity	Fairly quiet with only some road noise
Visibility	Some glimpsed long views to quarry spoil heaps and to the north. New development is visible
Condition	Some gappy hedgerows detracts from overall condition

Landscape Description

An edge of settlement landscape with large-medium arable fields bound by hedgerows. Some expansion is evident through new housing.

Influences from overhead pylons and spoil heaps from nearby quarrying at Mountsorrel.

A flatter landform than in other areas and wide views are possible across the open fields to the settlement edge.

Pressures for Change / Management Issues and Opportunities

Agriculture

General loss of agriculture to quarry spoil.
Pressure from expanding development from villages.

Trees and Woodland

New plantation on spoil areas will mature to alter the landscape character.
Some old birch woodland near Swithland Reservoir is a distinctive feature of the area.

Buildings / Settlements

Pressure from modern expansion from settlements. There is a requirement for a robust settlement edge.

Archaeological / Historic Components

Retain heritage features including the architecture of reservoir and railway features.

Other Land Use

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Charnwood Forest Landscape Character Assessment

Landscape Character Field Survey

Date: 22nd March 2019

Sheet No:14

Location: Botcheston

Direction of View: North-west and north-east

Landscape Components *Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Landform & Hydrology

Upland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ridge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Narrow Valley <small>Associated with reservoir</small>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lowland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rounded Hills	<input type="checkbox"/>	River	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floodplain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gently Undulating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Escarpment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reservoir	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ponds	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sloping	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flat	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stream/Brook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Marsh	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Broad Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lake	<input type="checkbox"/>	Spring	<input type="checkbox"/>

Land Cover & Vegetation

Built development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Woodland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ridge & Furrow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allotments / nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arable	<input type="checkbox"/>	Copse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parkland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Golf Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pasture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Trees	<input type="checkbox"/>	Outcrop	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heathland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarry	<input type="checkbox"/>				

Species / Age / Structure / Typical Species Mixed -Pine and Birch. Some newer planting and areas of old. Pine trees by reservoir.

Field Pattern

Large	<input type="checkbox"/>	Small	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Irregular	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Regular	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Small regular					

Field Enclosure

Hedgerow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Walls - slate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fence	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wet Ditch	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hedgerow Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wall - stone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tree Rows	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Settlement Pattern

Towns	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village / Hamlet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Vernacular Buildings <small>Kirby Grange</small>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Industrial <small>Views to outside of boundary</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urban Fringe	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Farm Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Non Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Large Single Dwellings	<input type="checkbox"/>

Age / Materials Thornton red brick, small industrial area on edge.

Landscape Elements / Distinctive Features

*Insert relevant letter where appropriate
D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Church	<input type="checkbox"/> I	Village Settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Watercourse	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Lane	<input type="checkbox"/> A
Farm Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/> I	Country Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Body	<input type="checkbox"/> D	Road	<input type="checkbox"/>
Industrial Visible	<input type="checkbox"/>	Masts / Poles	<input type="checkbox"/> I	Footpath	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Motorway	<input type="checkbox"/>
Residential	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Pylons	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bridleway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Attributes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ruin/ Heritage building	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tracks	<input type="checkbox"/> I	Long Distance Route	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Railway	<input type="checkbox"/>

Perception

Scale	A more medium scale landscape due to enclosure from valley landform
Openness	Large water body is open but valley limits views
Diversity	Quite diverse with woodland, water, farmland and settlement
Pattern	A mixed pattern due to the presence of woodland, water and farmland
Texture	Also mixed with smoother pastoral fields and rougher regular woodland blocks
Accessibility	Quite good with public footpaths through the area. Informal route around the reservoir
Movement	Limited with less traffic moving along quieter lanes
Biodiversity	Quite good due to mix of water, hedgerows woodland and streams
Tranquillity	Peaceful and quiet around the reservoir
Visibility	Views are limited due to valley landform and woodland around reservoir
Condition	Overall mixed condition with some overgrown hedgerows

Landscape Description

A valley landscape associated with Thornton reservoir and associated water courses.

Limited settlement with small linear villages featuring red brick buildings.

More enclosed due to the valley landform and presence of woodland, especially around the reservoir.

Pressures for Change / Management Issues and Opportunities

Agriculture

Opportunities for improved hedgerow management.

Trees and Woodland

Continued management of woodland required.

Buildings / Settlements

Some expansion in villages likely. Modern development must relate to traditional vernacular and building materials.

Archaeological / Historic Components

Other Land Use

Recreation opportunities with reservoir

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Charnwood Forest Landscape Character Assessment

Landscape Character Field Survey

Date: 22nd March 2019

Sheet No:15

Location: Botcheston

Direction of View: North/north-west & north-east

Landscape Components *Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Landform & Hydrology

Upland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ridge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Narrow Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lowland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rounded Hills	<input type="checkbox"/>	River	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floodplain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gently Undulating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Escarpment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reservoir	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ponds	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sloping	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flat	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stream/Brook	<input type="checkbox"/>	Marsh	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Broad Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lake	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other Spring	<input type="checkbox"/>

Land Cover & Vegetation

Built development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Woodland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ridge & Furrow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allotments / nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Copse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parkland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Golf Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pasture	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Trees	<input type="checkbox"/>	Outcrop	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heathland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarry	<input type="checkbox"/>				

Species / Age / Structure / Typical Species _____

Field Pattern

Large	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Small	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irregular	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Regular	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Small regular _____

Field Enclosure

Hedgerow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Walls - slate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fence	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wet Ditch	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hedgerow Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wall - stone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tree Rows	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Settlement Pattern

Towns	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village / Hamlet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Vernacular Buildings <small>Kirby Grange</small>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Industrial <small>Views to outside of boundary</small>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Urban Fringe	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Farm Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Non Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Large Single Dwellings	<input type="checkbox"/>

Age / Materials Botcheston red brick, small industrial area on edge. _____

Landscape Elements / Distinctive Features*Insert relevant letter where appropriate
D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Church	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village Settlement	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Watercourse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lane	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>
Farm Buildings	<input type="checkbox" value="I"/>	Country Houses Grange	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Body	<input type="checkbox"/>	Road	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>
Industrial Visible	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Masts / Poles	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Footpath	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Motorway	<input type="checkbox"/>
Residential	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Pylons	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Bridleway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Attributes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ruin/ Heritage building	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tracks	<input type="checkbox"/>	Long Distance Route	<input type="checkbox"/>	Railway	<input type="checkbox"/>

Perception

Scale	A medium scale due to undulating landform and field pattern
Openness	Open fields and less tree cover
Diversity	Limited diversity with hedges and trees only with some woodland
Pattern	Regular field pattern with fields bound by hedgerows
Texture	Mixed texture with smooth large open fields and rougher areas of woodland planting
Accessibility	Lots of footpaths crossing the area
Movement	Roads are busy with traffic visible moving along.
Biodiversity	Limited biodiversity, mainly associated with hedgerows and woodlands
Tranquillity	Not very tranquil with noise from busy roads
Visibility	Intermediate views limited by landform
Condition	Mixed condition with some managed hedgerows but others requiring management.

Landscape Description

A typical farmland landscape with open fields bound by hedgerows and some blocks of woodland. Some influences from the edge of settlement within the area as well as from longer views towards the edge of Leicester.

Other influences from industrial units outside the forest boundary and pylons which form features within views.

Pressures for Change / Management Issues and Opportunities

Agriculture

Some hedgerows require management

Trees and Woodland

Woodlands will require ongoing management to maintain age structure

Buildings / Settlements

Mixed types of development within Botcheston, although linear pattern of village is typical of the area.

Archaeological / Historic Components

Kirby Grange is an attractive local vernacular building

Other Land Use

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Charnwood Forest Landscape Character Assessment

Landscape Character Field Survey

Date: 22nd March 2019

Sheet No:16

Location: Botcheston

Direction of View: South

Landscape Components *Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Landform & Hydrology

Upland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ridge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Narrow Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lowland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rounded Hills	<input type="checkbox"/>	River	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floodplain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gently Undulating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Escarpment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reservoir	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ponds	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sloping	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flat	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stream/Brook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Marsh	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Broad Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lake	<input type="checkbox"/>	Spring	<input type="checkbox"/>

Land Cover & Vegetation

Built development	<input type="checkbox"/>	Woodland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ridge & Furrow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allotments / nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Copse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parkland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Golf Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pasture	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Trees	<input type="checkbox"/>	Outcrop	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heathland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarry	<input type="checkbox"/>				

Species / Age / Structure / Typical Species Rough grassland in woodland

Field Pattern

Large	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Small	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irregular	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medium	<input type="checkbox"/>	Regular	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Small regular

Field Enclosure

Hedgerow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Walls - slate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fence	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wet Ditch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hedgerow Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wall - stone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tree Rows	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Settlement Pattern

Towns	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village / Hamlet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial Visible	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urban Fringe	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Farm Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Non Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Large Single Dwellings	<input type="checkbox"/>

Age / Materials Edge of Ratby. Views to Kirby Muxloe and industrial sheds at Botcheston.

Landscape Elements / Distinctive Features

Insert relevant letter where appropriate
 D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant

Church	<input type="checkbox"/> I	Village Settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Watercourse	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Lane	<input type="checkbox"/> A
Farm Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Country Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Body	<input type="checkbox"/>	Road	<input type="checkbox"/> A
Industrial Visible	<input type="checkbox"/>	Masts / Poles	<input type="checkbox"/>	Footpath	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Motorway	<input type="checkbox"/>
Residential	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pylons	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Bridleway	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Special Attributes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ruin/ Heritage building	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tracks In woodland	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Long Distance Route National Forest Way	<input type="checkbox"/> A	Railway	<input type="checkbox"/>

Perception

Scale	A large scale open farmland landscape with extensive woodland
Openness	Openness is mixed with some longer views possible across large fields although woodlands create enclosure
Diversity	Area consists of woodland with a mix of species, but otherwise includes open fields with hedges
Pattern	Regular pattern formed by woodland plantation and regular field pattern
Texture	Mixed with smoother open fields and rougher texture of woodlands
Accessibility	Quite good with some PROW and informal routes through woodlands
Movement	Movement is limited. Traffic is visible in the distance
Biodiversity	Fairly good due to range of woodland planting as well as hedgrows and trees
Tranquillity	Overall quite quiet and peaceful away from settlement edges
Visibility	Good in some areas with some long views possible across open fields, but limited by woodland
Condition	Overall good condition with evidence of woodland management

Landscape Description

An undulating landform of farmland and woodland.
 A landscape featuring extensive new woodland planting interspersed by more mature woodland areas.
 Views are possible towards the settlement edge and industrial edge towards Leicester.
 Views also feature turbines and pylons.

Pressures for Change / Management Issues and Opportunities

Agriculture

Maintain hedgerows on field boundaries

Trees and Woodland

Opportunities in woodland to vary woodland structure as not much understorey.

Buildings / Settlements

Archaeological / Historic Components

Other Land Use

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Charnwood Forest Landscape Character Assessment

Landscape Character Field Survey

Date: 22nd March 2019

Sheet No:17

Location: Bradgate Park

Direction of View: North

Landscape Components *Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Landform & Hydrology

Upland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D	Ridge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Narrow Valley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lowland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rounded Hills	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D	River	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floodplain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gently Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Escarpment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reservoir	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ponds	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sloping	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D	Flat	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stream/Brook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I	Marsh	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Broad Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lake	<input type="checkbox"/>	Spring	<input type="checkbox"/>

Land Cover & Vegetation

Built development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I	Woodland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Ridge & Furrow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allotments / nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arable	<input type="checkbox"/>	Copse	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Parkland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D	Golf Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pasture	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Outcrop	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heathland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D	Quarry	<input type="checkbox"/>				

Species / Age / Structure / Typical Species Veteran oaks, large pines

Field Pattern

Large	<input type="checkbox"/>	Small	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irregular	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medium	<input type="checkbox"/>	Regular	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X

Open heath / grassland

Field Enclosure

Hedgerow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D	Walls - slate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fence	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wet Ditch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I
Hedgerow Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D	Wall - stone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X	Tree Rows	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Boundary walls. Post and wire / post and rail fence around trees.

Settlement Pattern

Towns	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village / Hamlet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I	Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial Visible	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urban Fringe	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Farm Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Non Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Large Single Dwellings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A

Age / Materials Edge of Newtown Linford, large rain house.

Landscape Elements / Distinctive Features*Insert relevant letter where appropriate
D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Church	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village Settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Watercourse	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lane	<input type="checkbox"/>
Farm Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Country Houses	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Water Body	<input type="checkbox"/>	Road	<input type="checkbox"/>
Industrial Visible	<input type="checkbox"/>	Masts / Poles	<input type="checkbox"/>	Footpath	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Motorway	<input type="checkbox"/>
Residential	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pylons	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bridleway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Attributes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ruin/ Heritage building	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tracks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Long Distance Route	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Railway	<input type="checkbox"/>

Perception

Scale	Medium to large scale due to open nature of parkland
Openness	Very open with 360 degree views possible from war memorial and Old John
Diversity	Diverse due to presence of water, woodland, grassland, heath etc
Pattern	Varied pattern of woodland and heathland with criss crossing paths
Texture	Rough texture from heath, grassland and rocky outcrops
Accessibility	Good - surfaced path and options for informal circular paths through the park
Movement	Busy with lots of walkers including school groups, children and parents with prams.
Biodiversity	High biodiversity through mix of habitats including mature woods and veteran trees, rough grassland and water
Tranquillity	Wild with increased tranquillity at high points but busier along lower lying route
Visibility	Long views possible through the park and from high points
Condition	Very managed for habitats and for visitor numbers. Mature landscape

Landscape Description

A mature and distinctive character of parkland including large areas of open heath and mature woodland.

A wild estate feel with the large house and folly providing heritage interests and the deer park.

A popular location also associated with the village of Newtown Linford

Pressures for Change / Management Issues and Opportunities

Agriculture

Trees and Woodland

Lots of very old trees, veterans. Need to be thinking of new planting?

Buildings / Settlements

Ruins need to be managed / Old John etc

Archaeological / Historic Components

Lots of heritage interest - Lady Jane Grey

Other Land Use

Encroaching bracken could influence parkland

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Charnwood Forest Landscape Character Assessment

Landscape Character Field Survey

Date: 22nd March 2019

Sheet No:18

Location: Ulverscroft Priory

Direction of View: North

Landscape Components Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant

Landform & Hydrology

Upland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ridge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Narrow Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lowland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rounded Hills	<input type="checkbox"/>	River	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floodplain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gently Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Escarpment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reservoir	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ponds	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sloping	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Flat	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stream/Brook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Marsh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Broad Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lake	<input type="checkbox"/>	Spring	<input type="checkbox"/>

Land Cover & Vegetation

Built development	<input type="checkbox"/>	Woodland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ridge & Furrow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allotments / nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arable	<input type="checkbox"/>	Copse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parkland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Golf Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pasture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Outcrop	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heathland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Quarry	<input type="checkbox"/>				

Species / Age / Structure / Typical Species Old woodland - Holly and rhododendron / laurel. Mixed broadleaf and coniferous. Gorse / Bracken.

Field Pattern

Large	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Small	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Irregular	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Regular	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Mixed - Some big and some really small.

Field Enclosure

Hedgerow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Walls - slate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fence	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wet Ditch	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hedgerow Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wall - stone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tree Rows	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Estate railings / post and rail / stock fence

Settlement Pattern

Towns	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village / Hamlet	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vernacular Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Industrial Visible	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urban Fringe	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Farm Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Non Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Large Single Dwellings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Age / Materials Old stone priory and some newer / renovated.

Landscape Elements / Distinctive Features

*Insert relevant letter where appropriate
D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Church	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village Settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Watercourse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lane	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>
Farm Buildings	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Country Houses	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Water Body	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Road	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>
Industrial Visible	<input type="checkbox"/>	Masts / Poles	<input type="checkbox"/>	Footpath	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Motorway	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>
Residential	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pylons	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bridleway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Attributes	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>
Ruin/ Heritage building	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Tracks	<input type="checkbox"/>	Long Distance Route	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Railway	<input type="checkbox"/>

Perception

Scale	Large scale area due to open large fields and extensive areas of woodland
Openness	Open in some areas although enclosure from woodland in others
Diversity	Diverse due to variety of habitats including grassland and woodland which feature within views
Pattern	A mixed pattern with different sized fields and woodlands as well as upland areas of heath around rocky outcrops
Texture	Rougher texture due to mix of habitats including grassland and heath
Accessibility	Good access due to footpaths through the area
Movement	Movement is not visible due to the woodlands, but there is a background noise from the M1.
Biodiversity	Diverse due to the mixture of habitat types
Tranquillity	Peaceful although underlying background noise from the M1
Visibility	Some long views although limited by extensive woodland cover
Condition	Generally mixed condition due to mix of habitats, but overall managed and feels mature

Landscape Description

An upland landscape with sloping landform associated with a valley.
The area has distinctive features from the mix of habitats including areas of heath and grassland and extensive mature woodland with evergreen species in the understorey.
Walls are a feature along roads associated with large mature trees.
Scattered large residential buildings set within large plots are also typical of the area.

Pressures for Change / Management Issues and Opportunities

Agriculture

Trees and Woodland

Manage woodland to ensure longevity.

Buildings / Settlements

Maintain vernacular of arts and crafts properties.

Archaeological / Historic Components

Maintain assets including the priory

Other Land Use

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Charnwood Forest Landscape Character Assessment

Landscape Character Field Survey

Date: 22nd March 2019

Sheet No:19

Location: Deans Lane

Direction of View: South

Landscape Components *Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Landform & Hydrology

Upland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ridge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Narrow Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lowland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rounded Hills	<input type="checkbox"/>	River	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floodplain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gently Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Escarpment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reservoir	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ponds	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sloping	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Flat	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stream/Brook	<input type="checkbox"/>	Marsh	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Broad Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lake	<input type="checkbox"/>	Spring	<input type="checkbox"/>

Land Cover & Vegetation

Built development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Woodland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ridge & Furrow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allotments / nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arable	<input type="checkbox"/>	Copse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parkland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Golf Course	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Pasture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Trees	<input type="checkbox"/>	Outcrop	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heathland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Quarry	<input type="checkbox"/>				

Species / Age / Structure / Typical Species Older age, mixed woodland.

Field Pattern

Large	<input type="checkbox"/>	Small	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irregular	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Regular	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Mixed - Some big and some really small.

Field Enclosure

Hedgerow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Walls - slate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fence	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wet Ditch	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hedgerow Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wall - stone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tree Rows	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Estate railings / post and rail / stock fence

Settlement Pattern

Towns	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village / Hamlet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Vernacular Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Industrial Visible	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urban Fringe	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Farm Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Non Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Large Single Dwellings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Age / Materials Edge of Woodhouse Eaves.

Landscape Elements / Distinctive Features*Insert relevant letter where appropriate
D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant*

Church	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village Settlement	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Watercourse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lane	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>
Farm Buildings	<input type="checkbox" value="I"/>	Country Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Body	<input type="checkbox"/>	Road	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>
Industrial Visible	<input type="checkbox"/>	Masts / Poles	<input type="checkbox" value="I"/>	Footpath	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Motorway	<input type="checkbox"/>
Residential	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pylons	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bridleway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Attributes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ruin/ Heritage building	<input type="checkbox" value="I"/>	Tracks	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Long Distance Route	<input type="checkbox" value="A"/>	Railway	<input type="checkbox"/>

Earthworks

Leicester Round and National Forest Way

Perception

Scale	Smaller scale but with some long views possible
Openness	More open on higher ground but limited by wooded areas
Diversity	Diverse mix of pasture, woodland, outcrop and upland areas
Pattern	Mixed and varied pattern including settlements, farms, heathland and woods
Texture	Mixed texture but generally rougher areas of grassland and heath
Accessibility	Good accessibility with footpaths route through the area
Movement	Some busy lanes and numerous visitor provision such as car parks
Biodiversity	Good biodiversity with a mix of habitats including grassland, woodland and heath
Tranquillity	Fairly peaceful as few settlements in the area
Visibility	Some long views from high areas but limited by extensive woodland
Condition	Mixed with some managed hedgerows but some needing management. Some walls need repairing

Landscape Description

A distinctive upland landscape with a sloping landform.

A varied pattern with a mix of habitats including open fields with woodland and small areas of heath and rocky outcrops and grasslands.

Little settlement but recreation provision in the form of car parks and visitor facilities.

Some long views are possible although enclosure is created through woodlands and trees.

Pressures for Change / Management Issues and Opportunities

Agriculture

Maintain and restore stone walls on field boundaries.

Trees and Woodland

Maintain lifecycle of woodlands as much is mature.

Buildings / Settlements

Any new development to reflect distinctive vernacular and building materials of existing villages

Archaeological / Historic Components

Other Land Use

Maintain and control management of visitor provision so as not to erode landscape

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Charnwood Forest Landscape Character Assessment

Landscape Character Field Survey

Date: 22nd March 2019

Sheet No:20

Location: Park View / Anstey Lane

Direction of View: North-west

Landscape Components Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant

Landform & Hydrology

Upland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ridge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Narrow Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lowland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rounded Hills	<input type="checkbox"/>	River	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floodplain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gently Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Escarpment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reservoir	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ponds	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sloping	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Flat	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Stream/Brook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Marsh	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Broad Valley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lake	<input type="checkbox"/>	Spring	<input type="checkbox"/>

Land Cover & Vegetation

Built development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Woodland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ridge & Furrow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allotments / nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Copse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parkland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Golf Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pasture	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Trees	<input type="checkbox"/>	Outcrop	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other Equestrian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heathland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarry	<input type="checkbox"/>				

Species / Age / Structure / Typical Species Native hedgerows. Oaks along road. Willows.

Field Pattern

Large	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Small	<input type="checkbox"/>	Irregular	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Regular	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Field Enclosure

Hedgerow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Walls - slate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fence	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wet Ditch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hedgerow Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wall - stone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tree Rows	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Tree rows along watercourse.

Settlement Pattern

Towns	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village / Hamlet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial Visible	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Urban Fringe	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Farm Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Non Vernacular Buildings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Large Single Dwellings	<input type="checkbox"/>

Age / Materials Modern equestrian.

Landscape Elements / Distinctive Features		Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant					
Church	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village Settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Watercourse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lane	<input type="checkbox"/>
Farm Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Country Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Body	<input type="checkbox"/>	Road	<input type="checkbox"/>
Industrial Visible	<input type="checkbox"/>	Masts / Poles	<input type="checkbox"/>	Footpath	<input type="checkbox"/>	Motorway	<input type="checkbox"/>
Residential	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pylons	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bridleway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Attributes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ruin/ Heritage building Earthworks	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tracks	<input type="checkbox"/>	Long Distance Route	<input type="checkbox"/>	Railway	<input type="checkbox"/>

Perception	
Scale	A large scale landscape, which becomes more open along the higher ground
Openness	Areas of higher ground provide a greater sense of openness
Diversity	Reasonably diverse landscape character area reflecting the mixed biodiversity
Pattern	A mixed pattern of habitats prevail including water courses / fields / grassland etc
Texture	The overall texture is quite smooth due to large farmland fields, but with some rougher grassland in places
Accessibility	Area is readily accessible with a good network of footpaths and bridleways
Movement	Perceived as fairly busy within the vicinity of the main roads and footpaths
Biodiversity	Mixed habitats abound such as watercourses / grassland / woodland
Tranquillity	There is an underlying background noise from the main roads within the character area
Visibility	Some extensive long views are available across towards Bradgate Park and wider high ground

Landscape Description

Generally this is a low lying landscape which follows the valley basin and watercourse.

There is a more open feel with extensive views towards the central high ground and Bradgate Park.

More instances of modern development prevails within this character area.

Pressures for Change / Management Issues and Opportunities

Agriculture

Some gappy overgrown hedgerows.
Loss to modern development and settlement expansion.

Trees and Woodland

New planting along brook to ensure establishment and development.

Buildings / Settlements

Ensure new development is treated appropriately, softening edge.

Archaeological / Historic Components

Other Land Use

Brook corridor - manage for biodiversity and wildlife.

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Charnwood Forest Landscape Character Assessment

Landscape Character Field Survey

Date: 22nd March 2019

Sheet No:21

Location: Groby Lane

Direction of View: South-east

Landscape Components

Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant

Landform & Hydrology

Upland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ridge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Narrow Valley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lowland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rounded Hills	<input type="checkbox"/>	River	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floodplain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Gently Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Escarpment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reservoir	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ponds	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sloping	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Flat	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Stream/Brook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Marsh	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Undulating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Broad Valley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lake	<input type="checkbox"/>	Spring	<input type="checkbox"/>

Land Cover & Vegetation

Built development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Woodland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ridge & Furrow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allotments / nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Copse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parkland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Golf Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pasture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Outcrop	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other Equestrian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heathland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarry	<input type="checkbox"/>				

Species / Age / Structure / Typical Species Native hedgerows. Some oaks along lanes.

Field Pattern

Large	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Small	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Irregular	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Regular	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Field Enclosure

Hedgerow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Walls - slate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fence	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wet Ditch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hedgerow Trees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wall - stone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tree Rows	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Settlement Pattern

Towns	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village / Hamlet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial Visible	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urban Fringe	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Scattered Farm Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Non Vernacular Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Large Single Dwellings	<input type="checkbox"/>

Age / Materials Modern development to the edge of Groby and Leicester.

Landscape Elements / Distinctive Features		Insert relevant letter where appropriate D=dominant A=apparent I=insignificant					
Church	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village Settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Watercourse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lane	<input type="checkbox"/>
Farm Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Country Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Body	<input type="checkbox"/>	Road	<input type="checkbox"/>
Industrial Visible	<input type="checkbox"/>	Masts / Poles	<input type="checkbox"/>	Footpath	<input type="checkbox"/>	Motorway	<input type="checkbox"/>
Residential	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pylons	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bridleway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Attributes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ruin/ Heritage building Earthworks	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tracks	<input type="checkbox"/>	Long Distance Route	<input type="checkbox"/>	Railway	<input type="checkbox"/>

Perception	
Scale	Large scale field pattern due to extensive agricultural farming methods
Openness	Very open due to large scale farmland with paucity of tree cover
Diversity	Limited as farmland predominates with the exception of a brook with some woodland and small settlement
Pattern	Large scale farm fields and settlement gives a structured regular pattern
Texture	The overall texture is fairly smooth due to extensive open agricultural land
Accessibility	A number of roads and footpaths provides a good level of access
Movement	A46 along the boundary of this area is busy, rural lanes are comparatively quieter
Biodiversity	Limited due to large arable fields, with the exception of the brook and small wood
Tranquillity	Disturbance from the main roads gives a low tranquillity in this area
Visibility	There are long panoramic views over towards the edge of Leicester to the south
Condition	Overall condition is reasonable with the landscape perceived as managed albeit with some gappy hedgerows

Landscape Description

This is a wide lowland valley which follows the course of the Rothley Brook corridor.

There are large scale views and the field pattern is a pre-eminent characteristic.

Overall, this charcater area is a managed and open landscape but influenced by the urban fringes of settlements including Leicester.

Pressures for Change / Management Issues and Opportunities

Agriculture

Due to the influence of urban fringes, there is pressure from continued expansion of settlements.

Trees and Woodland

Restore gappy hedgerows, whilst there is also opportunity to plant more hedgerow trees.

Buildings / Settlements

Ensure new development is well integrated within the receiving landscape through robust boundaries of native woodland planting.

Archaeological / Historic Components

Other Land Use

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