

Appendix 28 LANDSCAPE IMPACT SCHEDULE

Landscape Character Area	Summary of Existing Character/Key Characteristics	Sensitivity	Magnitude of Change	Impact during implementation period (significance)	Impact after completion at year 0 (significance)	Impact at maturity year 40 (significance)
Southfleet Arable Lands	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open, arable landscape, interspersed with hedgerows and remnant woodland Transport routes, pylons and settlement dominate many areas Remnant, unkept hedgerows, shelterbelts and woodland copses give a scruffy and unmanaged feel Long views to the A2 and Kent Thames-side beyond Requires improvements to create a large-scale landscape ideally based on large blocks of woodland and large blocks of arable cultivation 	Moderate	<p>Low – Implementation period</p> <p>Moderate – Year 0</p> <p>High – Year 40</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open character and long distance views would be retained Implementation works would be similar in character and scale to agricultural activities <p>NEUTRAL IMPACT (Low-moderate significance)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arable fields replaced with blocks of new planting and areas of grassland and meadows creating improved landscape structure Open character and long distance views would be retained Change of use of site and character of setting of village of Cobham from agriculture to amenity Improved management of landscape Parked cars form prominent reflective surface in the landscape Increased number of visitors <p>NEUTRAL IMPACT (Moderate significance)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased woodland cover New woodland reduces prominence of electricity pylons Agricultural character of landscape diminished and replaced with an amenity landscape Long distance views to the Thames lost Improved management of landscape Woodlands and orchards give improved structure to the landscape Parked cars form prominent reflective surface in the landscape Increased number of visitors <p>NEUTRAL IMPACT (Moderate significance)</p>
Cobham West Kent Downs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Large scale, open scarp-top landscape Intensively farmed rolling landscape with coppice woodland, historic parkland and some fruit growing Landfill, golf course, CTRL and A2 sever the area landscape Low visibility Landscape requires conservation and reinforcement including extending woodland planting to existing open areas west of Cobham village Located within the North Kent Downs AONB 	Moderate	<p>Low – Implementation period</p> <p>Moderate – Year 0</p> <p>High – Year 40</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Character of open fields enclosed with woodland would be retained Implementation works would be similar in character and scale to agricultural activities <p>NEUTRAL IMPACT (Low-moderate significance)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arable fields replaced with blocks of new planting and areas of grassland and meadows creating improved landscape structure Open character and long distance views would be retained Change of use of site and character of setting of village of Cobham from agriculture to amenity Improved management of landscape Parked cars form prominent reflective surface in the landscape Increased number of visitors <p>NEUTRAL IMPACT (Moderate significance)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased woodland cover New woodland reduces prominence of electricity pylons Agricultural character of landscape diminished and replaced with an amenity landscape Long distance views to the Thames lost Improved management of landscape Woodlands and orchards give improved structure to the landscape Parked cars form prominent reflective surface in the landscape Increased number of visitors <p>NEUTRAL IMPACT (Moderate significance)</p>
Luddesdown West Kent Downs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rolling valleyside pasture and extensive undulating arable fields Large areas of mixed woodland dominate skyline Peaceful and rural, but threatened by suburban influences and industrial developments Many hedgerows removed 	High	No change	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No change <p>NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT</p>	NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jeskyns Orchard provides extension to area of orchards in adjacent landscape character area re-enforcing landscape character <p>NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT</p>

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Hoo Peninsular	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prominent hills and low-lying alluvial marshes Flat/undulating farmland Decline in orchards and mixed farmland with shelterbelts Intensive, open farmed arable Landscape Partnership Intrusive influence of industrial development 	Moderate	No change	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No change NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No change NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No change NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
Shorne	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wooded ridge isolated by A2 Rural with significant woodland Open agricultural land at fringes Many hedgerows removed 	Low	No change	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No change NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No change NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No change NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT