

PROFORMA 1 Key View – Template

Key view no.:	Date:
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Viewpoint location:				
Roadway	Bridleway	Footpath	National Trail/Rec Route	
Receptors/users: (e.g. vehicle drivers/passengers, walkers on footpath)				
Direction of view:				
Range:	Short	Medium	Long	
Extent of view (e.g. channelled/enclosed, expansive, far-reaching panoramic, radial):				
Does view incorporate local landmarks/focal features?				
Brief description of view:				
Is view already compromised by development?				
Sensitive view / sightline?				
1 Lowest	2	3	4	5 Highest
How does view contribute to character of area? (e.g. of historic significance; key view of Church/ Village / CA; emphasises strong relationship of town to its rural setting; part of open rural approach to village):				
Overall evaluation of significance / value of view:				
1 Lowest	2	3	4	5 Highest
Potential impact of small-scale residential development(s) within the line of view?				
Recommendations and mitigation? (any particular sensitivities or mitigation relating to existing vegetation or topography?)				

PROFORMA 2 LPLCA Field Survey Sheet – Template

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Existing landscape character criteria

<p>Physical relationship of landscape with existing urban conurbation (e.g. strong, medium, weak); settlement pattern/buildings within the landscape):</p>
<p>Land-use and classification:</p>
<p>Boundary features (e.g. hedgerows, fences, absent):</p>
<p>Topography (e.g. level, gently sloping/undulating, steep, complex):</p>
<p>Hydrology (e.g. river valley, watercourse, floodplain, ditches, small ponds):</p>
<p>Landscape scale (e.g. large, medium, small and intimate):</p>
<p>Landscape complexity (e.g. high, medium or low variety of uses):</p>
<p>Time depth (e.g. strong, medium, weak; e.g. due to historic field patterns, enclosed meadow pastures along the river valley floodplain, intimate ancient pathways, mature trees and hedgerows):</p>
<p>Landscape, cultural heritage and biodiversity designations (e.g. CA, listed buildings, Priority Woodland Habitat):</p>
<p>Public access (physical) (e.g. PRowS):</p>
<p>Tranquility (e.g. high, medium, low):</p>
<p>Landscape condition (e.g. good, medium, poor):</p>
<p>Strength of landscape character (e.g. strong, average, weak)</p>
<p>Contribution of the landscape to local character, distinctiveness and sense of place? (e.g. positive/negative/neutral, strong/average/weak) (e.g. due to landscape of historic significance/time-depth, emphasises strong historic relationship of town to its rural setting; part of open rural approach to village):</p>

Existing visual amenity criteria

Visual relationship of landscape with existing urban conurbation (e.g. strong, medium, weak intervisibility; e.g. due to topography, strong/lack of vegetation cover within/around LPLCA):

Degree of openness of landscape to public views (e.g. high, medium, low; e.g. LPLCA generally visually enclosed/exposed by topography/vegetation/built form, strong vegetation cover/framework within/around LPLCA provides limited intervisibility with wider landscape, low-medium level hedgerows provide limited visual screening/enclosure from the wider landscape, PRowS within the LPLCA provide visual access):

Visual influence of landscape on the wider landscape (e.g. strong, medium, weak):

Presence of key view(s)/sight line(s) to the town and/or landmark features (e.g. key view(s) of Stisted/Church/CA; iconic view(s); some radial/panoramic views; some continuous/serial/intermittent views due to intervening vegetation and/or topography; view(s) already compromised by development):

Visual contribution of landscape to the setting of Thaxted town/CA/listed buildings:
(e.g. positive/negative/neutral, strong/average/weak)

Photographs

Photograph no's:

PROFORMA 3 LPLCA Supporting Information – Template

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Representative photograph:

Key landscape characteristics:
Key visual characteristics:
Key landscape planning and management issues:
Landscape character sensitivity to change (e.g. high, medium, low):
Visual sensitivity to change (e.g. high, medium, low):
Overall landscape sensitivity to change (evaluation of the sensitivity of a parcel in broad strategic terms), where <i>“Existing Landscape Character Sensitivity + Visual Sensitivity = Overall Landscape Sensitivity”</i> (Topic Paper 6) (e.g. high, medium, low):
Overall landscape value (evaluation of the function and significance of the landscape within the overall settlement context) (e.g. high, medium, low):
Overall landscape capacity for change (the effect of development in broad terms and whether it would diminish, improve or have little effect on local distinctiveness and sense of place, where <i>“Overall Landscape Sensitivity + Landscape Value = Overall Landscape Capacity”</i> (Topic Paper 6) (e.g. Low, Low-Medium, Medium, Medium-High or High):

Opportunities for mitigation (e.g. retention and enhancement/reinforcement of existing hedgerows & trees; retention of key views/sight lines):

Suggested landscape planning guidelines (including, if appropriate, where and at what scale could development be appropriately absorbed?):

Suggested land management guidelines (recommendations for enhancement of LPLCA):

Known presence of allocated land/approved planning applications: