Site Identification

LAND SOUTH OF LOXWOOD FARM PLACE

Neighbourhood Planning Site Assessment Template

Site Details

Detail	Assessment
Site Reference / Name	Land south of Loxwood Farm Place
[Insert site plan showing boundary of site]	See Site Plan attached
Site Address / Location	High Street, Loxwood
Gross Site Area (Hectares)	1.3 hectares
SHLAA/SHELAA Reference (if applicable)	HLX0007
Existing land use	Fallow land
Land use being considered, if known (e.g. housing, community use, commercial, mixed use)	Housing
Landowner estimate of development capacity (if known)	22
Site identification method / source (e.g. SHELAA, Call for Sites consultation, identified by neighbourhood planning group)	Call for sites, HEELA Ref: HLX0007
Planning history (Live or previous planning applications/decisions)	Subject of current planning application: LX19/02781/OUT. Previous application: LX13/03809/OUT
Neighbouring uses	Eastern boundary faces several Grade 2 listed buildings. Western boundary open to cultivated farmland

Assessment of Suitability

Environmental Constraints

Indicator of Suitability	Assessment
Site is predominantly, or wholly, within or adjacent to the following statutory environmental designations:	No constraints to development
Yes/ No/ Unknown	
Ancient Woodland	NO
Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB)	NO
Biosphere Reserve	NO
Local Nature Reserve (LNR)	NO
National Nature Reserve (NNR)	NO
National Park	NO
Ramsar Site	NO
Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)	NO
Special Area of Conservation (SAC)	NO
Special Protection Area (SPA)	NO
Does the site fall within a SSSI Impact Risk Zone and would the proposed use/development trigger the requirement to consult Natural England? Yes/ No/ Unknown	NO
Site is predominantly, or wholly, within or adjacent to the following non statutory environmental designations:	Overall Rating
Yes/ No/ Unknown	YES
Green Infrastructure Corridor	NO
Local Wildlife Site (LWS)	NO
Public Open Space	NO
Site of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC)	NO
Nature Improvement Area	NO

Indicator of Suitability	Assessment
	YES
Regionally Important Geological Site	Adjacent to ancient moat
Other	NO
Site is predominantly, or wholly, within Flood	
Zones 2 or 3?	
See guidance notes:	
Flood Zone 1: Low Risk	Low Risk
Flood Zone 2: Medium Risk	20W Hort
Flood Zone 3 (less or more vulnerable site use):	
Medium Risk	
Flood Zone 3 (highly vulnerable site use): High	
Risk	
Site is at risk of surface water flooding?	
See guidance notes:	
Less than 15% of the site is affected by medium	Low Risk
or high risk of surface water flooding – Low Risk	
>15% of the site is affected by medium or high	
risk of surface water flooding – Medium Risk	
Is the land classified as the best and most	NO
versatile agricultural land (Grades 1, 2 or 3a)	NO
Yes / No / Unknown	
Site contains habitats with the potential to	YES
support priority species	-
Does the site contain local wildlife-rich habitats?	YES
Is the site part of:	
A wider ecological network (including the	
hierarchy of international, national and locally	NO
designated sites of importance for biodiversity);	
and/or	
wildlife corridors (and stepping stones that	YES
connect them);	
An area identified by national and local	
partnerships for habitat management,	
enhancement, restoration or creation?	NO
Yes / No / Unknown	
Site is predominantly, or wholly, within or	
adjacent to an Air Quality Management Area (AQMA)?	NO
Yes / No / Unknown	
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Physical Constraints

Indicator of Suitability	Assessment
Is the site: Flat or relatively flat Gently sloping or uneven Steeply sloping	Gently sloping to the south
Is there existing vehicle access, or potential to create vehicle access to the site? Yes / No / Unknown YES	YES
Is there existing pedestrian/cycle access, or potential to create pedestrian/cycle access to the site?	
Pedestrian? Yes / No / Unknown	NO
Cycle? Yes / No / Unknown	NO
Are there any known Tree Preservation Orders on the site? Yes / No / Unknown	NO
Are there veteran/ancient or other significant trees within or adjacent to the site? Are they owned by third parties?	
Significant trees? Yes, within / Yes, adjacent / No / Unknown	YES – Adjacent Significant trees to the north, west and southern boundaries
Potentially veteran or ancient trees present? Yes, within / Yes, adjacent / No / Unknown	NO
Owned by third parties? Yes / No / Unknown	NO
Are there any Public Rights of Way (PRoW) crossing the site? Yes / No / Unknown	NO
Is the site likely to be affected by ground contamination? Yes / No / Unknown	NO
Is there any utilities infrastructure crossing the site i.e. power lines/pipe lines, or is the site in close proximity to hazardous installations? Yes / No / Unknown	YES Power line crosses southern boundary
Would development of the site result in a loss of social, amenity or community value? Yes / No / Unknown	NO

Accessibility

Factor	Guidance
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Distances to community facilities and services should be measured using walking routes from the centre of each site to each facility. Additional facilities can be added to the list. The distances are based on the assumption that 400m is equal to approximately 5 minutes' walk. This can be measured using Google Maps:

What is the distance to the following facilities (measured from the edge of the site)	Distance (metres)	Comments
Town / local centre / shop	<400m 400-1200m >1200m	<400m
Bus /Tram Stop	<400m 400-800m >800m	<400m
Train station	<400m 400-1200m >1200m	>1200m
Primary School	<400m 400-1200m >1200m	400-1200m
Secondary School	<1600m 1600-3900m >3900m	>3900m
Open Space / recreation facilities	<400m 400-800m >800m	400-800m
Cycle Route There are no cycle routes in Loxwood	<400m 400-800m >800m	>800m

Landscape and Visual Constraints

This section should be answered based on existing evidence (see guidance notes) or by a qualified landscape consultant.

Indicator of Suitability	Assessment
Is the site low, medium or high sensitivity in terms of landscape? Low sensitivity: the site has few or no valued	
features, and/or valued features that are less susceptible to development and can accommodate change.	
Medium sensitivity: the site has many valued features, and/or valued features that are susceptible to development but could potentially accommodate some change with	Low sensitivity
appropriate mitigation. High sensitivity: the site has highly valued features, and/or valued features that are	
highly susceptible to development. The site can accommodate minimal change.	
Is the site low, medium or high sensitivity in terms of visual amenity?	
Low sensitivity: the site is visually enclosed and has low intervisibility with the surrounding landscape, and/or it would not adversely impact any identified views. Medium sensitivity: the site is somewhat	Medium sensitivity
enclosed and has some inter-visibility with the surrounding landscape, and/or it may adversely impact any identified views. High sensitivity: the site is visually open and	
has high inter-visibility with the surrounding landscape, and/or it would adversely impact any recognised views.	

Heritage Constraints

Indicator of Suitability	Assessment
Would the development of the site cause harm to a designated heritage asset or its setting? Directly impact and/or mitigation not possible Some impact, and/or mitigation possible Limited or no impact or no requirement for mitigation	Some impact, and/or mitigation possible Confirm on site visit Directly opposite 4 listed buildings
Would the development of the site cause harm to a non-designated heritage asset or its setting? Directly impact and/or mitigation not possible Some impact, and/or mitigation possible Limited or no impact or no requirement for mitigation	Directly impact and/or mitigation not possible Directly opposite 5 non listed heritage assets

Planning policy constraints

Indicator of Suitability	Assessment
Is the site in the Green Belt? Yes / No / Unknown NO	NO
Is the site allocated for a particular use (e.g. housing / employment) or designated as open space in the adopted and / or emerging Local Plan? Yes / No / Unknown NO	NO
Are there any other relevant planning policies relating to the site?	YES – Refused planning application LX19/01240/FUL See officers decision report
Is the site: Greenfield A mix of greenfield and previously developed land Previously developed land?	Greenfield
Is the site within, adjacent to or outside the existing built up area? Within the existing built up area (infill)? Adjacent to and connected to the existing built up area? Outside and not connected to the existing built up area?	Outside and not connected to the existing built up area
Is the site within, adjacent to or outside the existing settlement boundary (if one exists)? Within the existing settlement boundary?	
Adjacent to and connected to the existing settlement boundary? Outside and not connected to the existing settlement boundary?	Outside and not connected to the existing settlement boundary
Would development of the site result in neighbouring settlements merging into one another? Yes / No / Unknown	NO
Is the size of the site large enough to significantly change the size and character of the existing settlement? Yes / No / Unknown NO	NO

Assessment of Availability

Indicator of Availability	Assessment
Is the site available for development? Yes / No / Unknown. YES	YES
Are there any known legal or ownership problems such as unresolved multiple ownerships, ransom strips, tenancies, or operational requirements of landowners? Yes / No / Unknown. NO	NO
Is there a known time frame for availability? Available now / 0-5 years / 6-10 years / 11-15 years.	0 – 5 years

Viability

Indicators of Viability	Assessment
Is the site subject to any abnormal costs that could affect viability, such as demolition, land remediation or relocating utilities? Yes / No / Unknown. Yes	YES Possible relocation of overhead power lines
What evidence is available to support this judgement?	Declared on Call for Sites template and Planning Application

Conclusions

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Summary of key development constraints affecting the site	Access is close to B2133 & Station Road T Junction Adjacent to Heritage Assets Site contains overhead power cable – mitigation required
What is the estimated development capacity of the site?	22
What is the likely timeframe for development? (0-5 / 6-10 / 11-15 / 15+ years)	0 – 5 years
Other key information	
Overall rating: (Red/Amber/Green)	AMBER
The site is: suitable, available and achievable available and achievable not currently suitable, available and achievable	The site is potentially suitable, available and achievable
Summary of justification for rating	See development constraints



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