

Existing View

This view looks over a largely flat, open agricultural field, across the A1 Road corridor towards gently rolling fields separated and partially screened by blocks of woodland. The movement of vehicles along the A1 catch the eye within the view. Pylons with overhead lines cross the view in multiple directions. Small clusters of buildings are visible within the wider view, with buildings on the edge of Sutton on Trent visible directly to the west of the view.

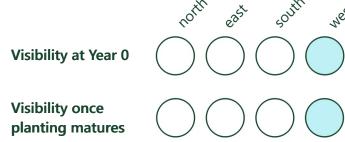
Predicted Changes to Views

During construction works traffic would route along the B1164 and would be visible as it passes the viewpoint. There would be very limited, distant visibility of a small part of a solar area during construction and early operation seen in front of woodland on the skyline beyond the A1, with this view being mostly screened by vegetation in summer. During early operation views of the development would be mostly screened by landform and vegetation. In winter there may be limited glimpsed views of solar PV areas between trees on the opposite side of the A1. As mitigation planting grows, the potential for glimpsed views of the Development would reduce during the operational and decommissioning phases. Once decommissioned, taller hedgerows and the mitigation planting would remain. They would form a barely noticeable addition to the view.

GREAT NORTH ROAD SOLAR AND BIODIVERSITY PARK

Viewpoint 16 B1164 Sutton on Trent

Cardinal views analysis:



Key

- No solar areas visible from this viewpoint in this direction
- Wireline indicates theoretical visibility but would not be discernible in practice
- Visibility of solar areas in this direction during summer and winter
- Visibility of solar areas in this direction during winter only
- S An intermediate substation is visible in this direction of the view, refer to text
- M The main 400kV substation is visible in this direction of the view
- Be The BESS is visible in this direction of the view



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