

Great North Road Solar and Biodiversity Park

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This view is from a narrow, hedge-lined road in the hamlet and looks across the gently rising large open fields to the north and northeast, which are divided by hedges with occasional clusters of trees. Electricity pylons cross the view in these directions. In other directions the view extends to small pasture fields, buildings and trees in and around Moorhouse.

Predicted Changes to Views

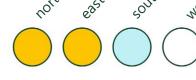
During construction works vehicles would route through Moorhouse and views of construction traffic would be possible as nearby panel areas are constructed. Construction works would be openly visible along the skyline to the north and northeast. If the works occur when the trees are not in leaf, there may be glimpsed views of construction works through the trees to the south. During construction and early operation there would be views of the edge of a solar area beyond the low and gappy hedge which runs along the skyline to the north and northeast. Once hedging and woodland around the Development is fully grown views of the solar areas would be completely screened. During decommissioning works vehicles would be seen passing through Moorhouse, however decommissioning works in the solar areas would be screened by hedges. Once decommissioned, taller hedgerows and woodland on the skyline to the northeast would remain. They would form a minor addition to the view in the north and east.

GREAT NORTH ROAD SOLAR AND BIODIVERSITY PARK

Viewpoint 13 Moorhouse

Cardinal views analysis:

Visibility at Year 0



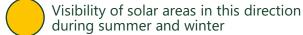
Visibility once planting matures



Key

No solar areas visible from this viewpoint in this direction







- 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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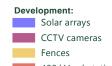






GREAT NORTH ROAD SOLAR AND BIODIVERSITY PARK

Viewpoint 13 (A): Moorhouse



Cumulative Developments:

SSE BESS Kelham solar farm 400 kV substation
BESS

Consented solar farms (Tuxford Road, Knapthorpe Lodge, and/or Muskham Wood)

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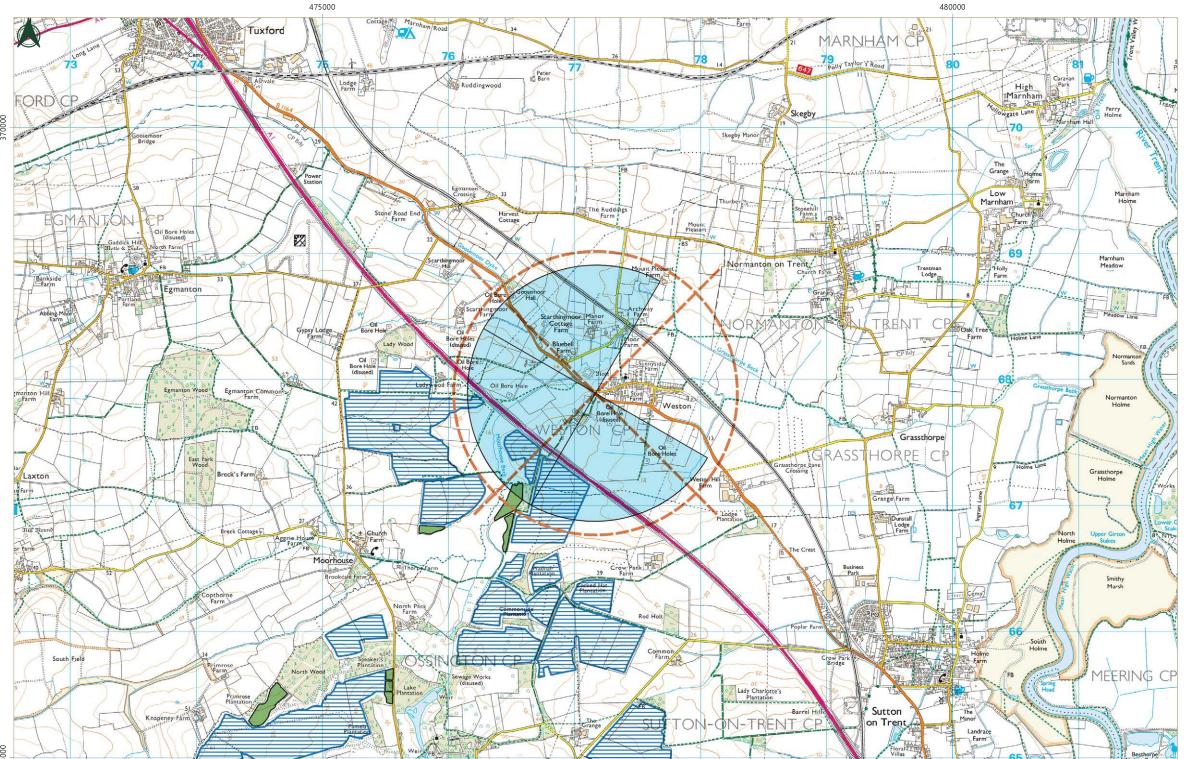
Sony ILCE-7C 50mm 1.5m AGL 02/02/2024











Located on the edge of Weston, this view looks up the B1164 to the southeast, where the view is immediately constrained by the rising land and properties on the opposite side of the road. The land falls to the west and the view looks down the B1164 over the roadside vegetation to partially screened views of fields, residential and agricultural buildings, and elements of infrastructure, including electricity pylons and wind turbines. Tuxford Road solar farm will be partly visible along the skyline through trees to the north.

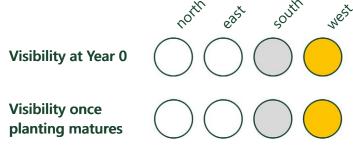
Predicted Changes to Views

During construction, traffic would route along the B1164 and would be visible as it passes the viewpoint. There would be very limited view of a solar area to the northwest over the roadside hedge during all stages of the development, though this would be barely noticeable.

GREAT NORTH ROAD SOLAR AND BIODIVERSITY PARK

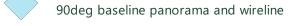
Viewpoint 14 B1164 Weston

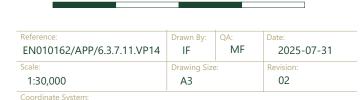
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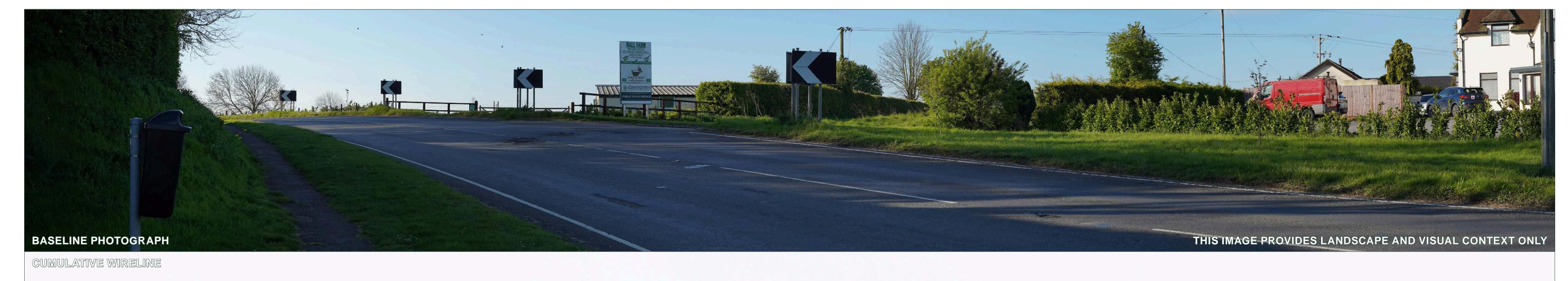
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- Visibility of solar areas in this direction during summer and winter
- Visibility of solar areas in this direction during winter only
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GREAT NORTH ROAD SOLAR AND BIODIVERSITY PARK

Viewpoint 14 (A): B1164 Weston



Development:

Solar arrays

CCTV cameras Fences 400 kV substation BESS

Cumulative Developments:

SSE BESS Kelham solar farm

Consented solar farms (Tuxford Road, Knapthorpe Lodge,

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Lens: Camera Height: Photography Date:

Sony ILCE-7C 50mm 1.5m AGL 01/05/2024







Viewpoint 14 (B): B1164 Weston BESS

Consented solar farms (Tuxford Road, Knapthorpe Lodge, and/or Muskham Wood)

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Viewpoint 14 (C): B1164 Weston

Fences 400 kV substation BESS

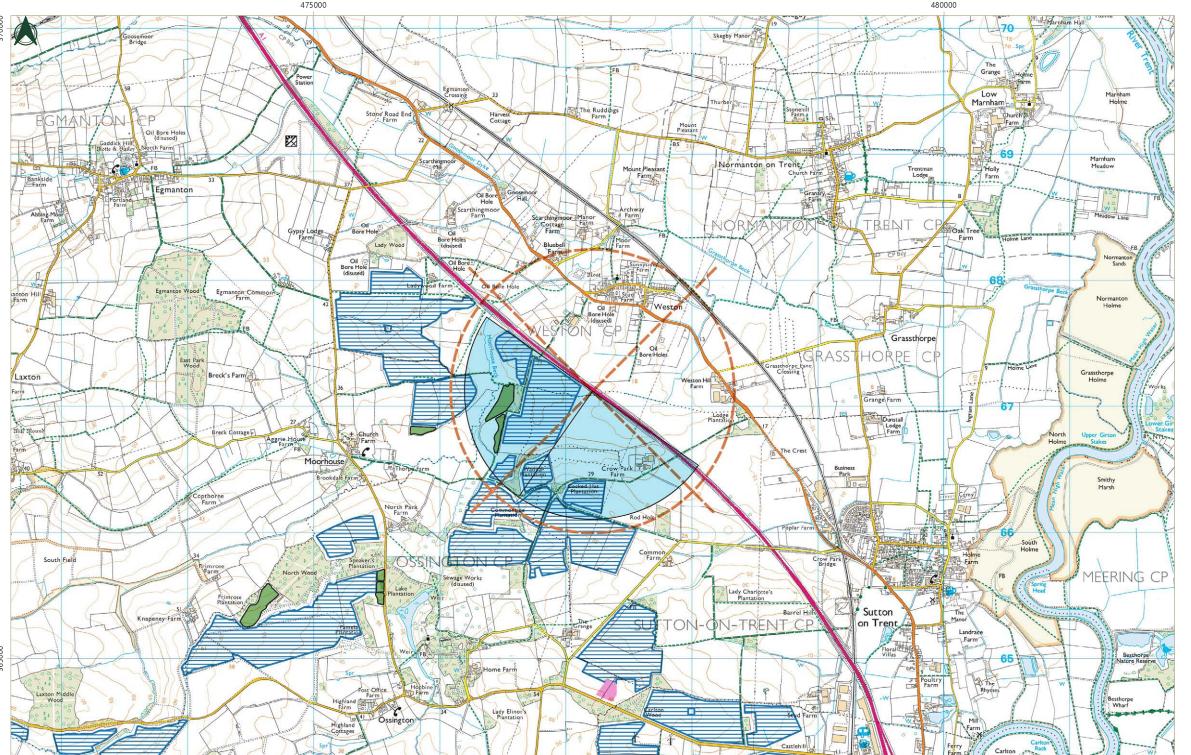
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Principal Distance:







This view from a layby looks over a low hedge across large fields beside the A1 which gently rise to the north. The fields are divided by hedges with trees and areas of woodland. Pylons with overhead lines cross the view in multiple directions. The view to the east of the A1 is screened by the roadside hedge.

Predicted Changes to Views

Solar arrays would be seen across the higher ground in the nearby field to the northwest by road users heading north or stopped in the layby. Once the proposed hedge matures it would mostly screen the solar arrays though some further back in the field on slightly higher ground would remain visible above the hedge. Once decommissioned, the additional hedgerow would remain, reducing the openness of the outlook from this location.

GREAT NORTH ROAD SOLAR AND BIODIVERSITY PARK

Viewpoint 15 A1 layby south of Weston

Cardinal views analysis:

Visibility at Year 0

Visibility once planting matures

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

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M The main 400kV substation is visible in this direction of the view

Be The BESS is visible in this direction of the view

90deg baseline panorama, wireline and photomontage



rdinate system:







GREAT NORTH ROAD SOLAR AND BIODIVERSITY PARK

Viewpoint 15 (A): A1 layby south of Weston

Development:

Solar arrays CCTV cameras Fences 400 kV substation BESS

Cumulative Developments:

SSE BESS Kelham solar farm Consented solar farms (Tuxford Road, Knapthorpe Lodge, and/or Muskham Wood)

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Horizontal Field of View:
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Principal Distance:

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Nikon D5 50mm 1.5m AGL 30/04/2025











GREAT NORTH ROAD SOLAR AND BIODIVERSITY PARK

Viewpoint 15 (B): A1 layby south of Weston

Development:

Solar arrays CCTV cameras Fences

Cumulative Developments:

SSE BESS Kelham solar farm 400 kV substation
BESS Consented solar farms (Tuxford Road, Knapthorpe Lodge, and/or Muskham Wood)

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Horizontal Field of View:
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Nikon D5 50mm 1.5m AGL 30/04/2025









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.

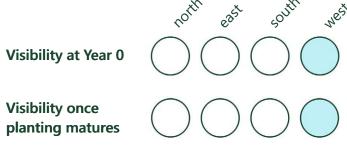
Predicted Changes to Views

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.

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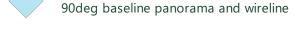
Viewpoint 16 B1164 Sutton on Trent

Cardinal views analysis:



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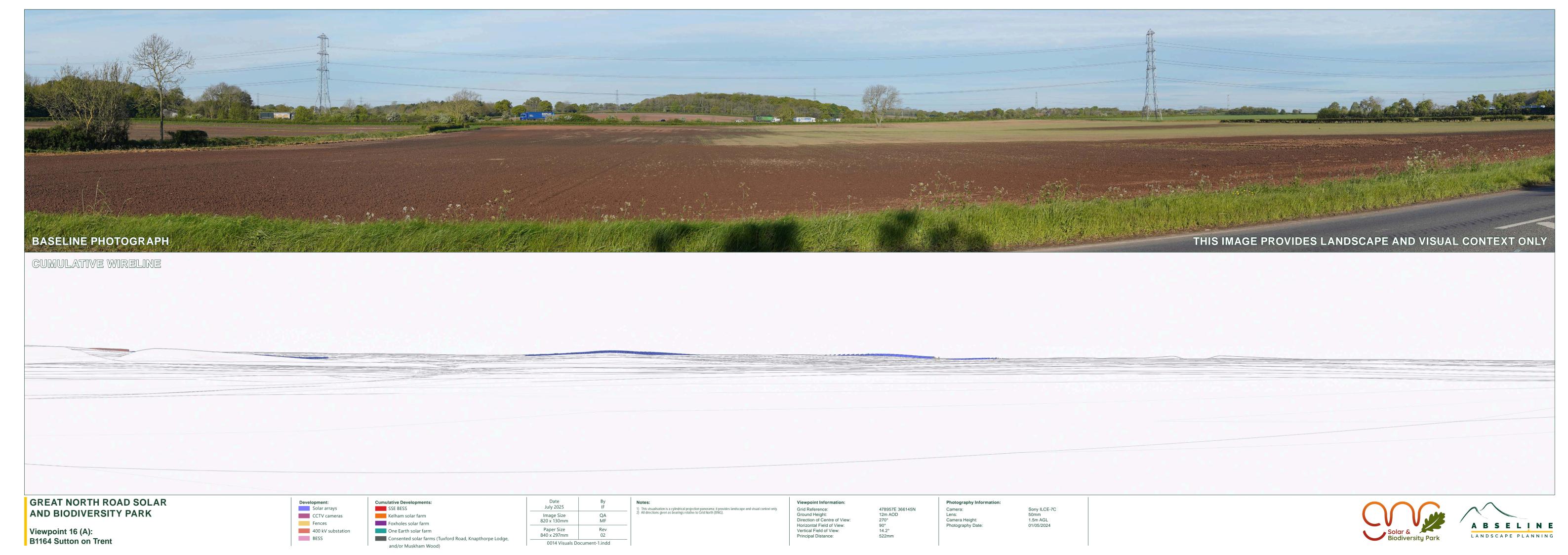
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 - Visibility of solar areas in this direction during winter only
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This view is from a road bridge above the A1 and looks across the carriageway and slip roads towards flat agricultural fields that gently rise in the distance. Hedges, trees and areas of woodland are seen within and around the fields and partially screen the views, with woodland and trees forming the skyline across most of the view. Infrastructure above the railway line is visible within the middle of the view, wind turbines, pylons and a phone mast can also be seen. Trees along the B1164 restrict visibility to a channelled view along the road to the west.

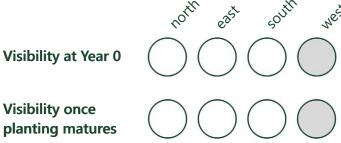
Predicted Changes to Views

During construction works traffic would route over the bridge and would be visible as it passes the viewpoint and joins the A1. During construction, early operation and after mitigation planting matures there may be glimpsed views of solar PV areas in fields beyond the railway line to the southwest in winter, but views would mostly be screened by layers of vegetation along field boundaries. Once decommissioned, taller hedgerows and the mitigation planting would remain but would not be noticeable amongst the other vegetation seen from this viewpoint.

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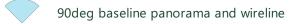
Viewpoint 17 B1164 (A1 bridge) Carlton-on-Trent

Cardinal views analysis:



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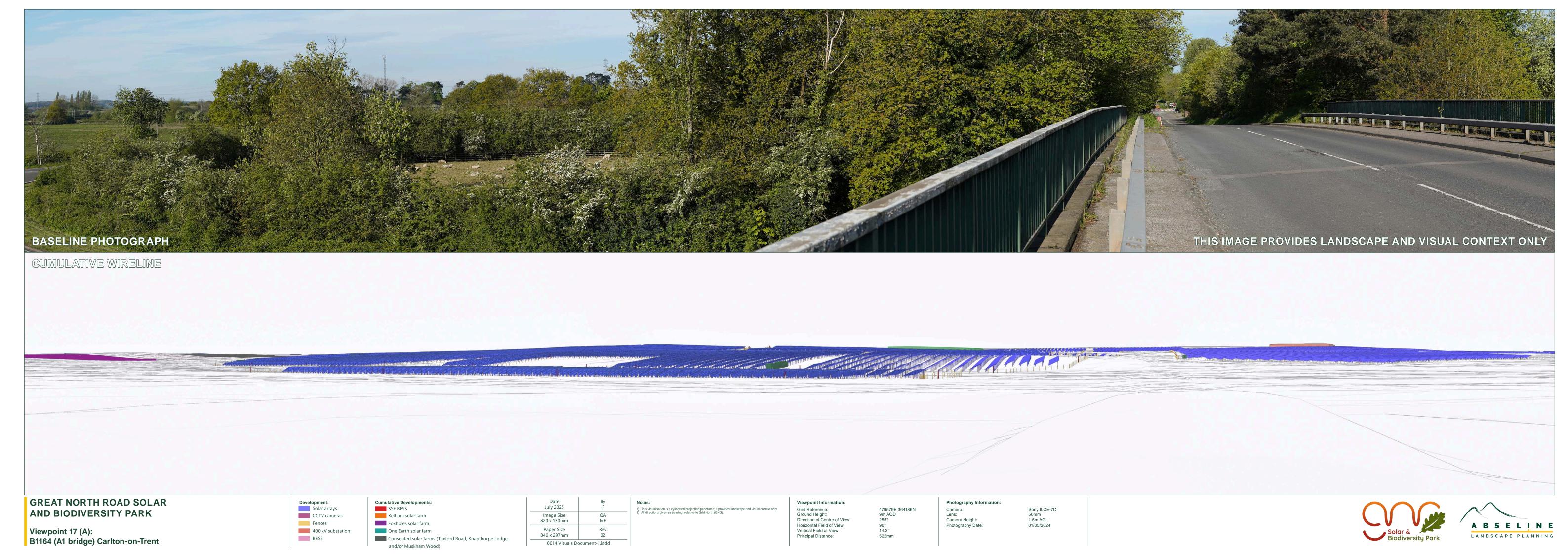
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This view is located at the edge of the nature reserve and looks west across flat fields bounded by hedges and trees towards a skyline formed by rising ground beyond the River Trent. Between the trees there are glimpsed views of buildings, turbines and pylons and the church spire at Carlton-on-Trent forms a notable landmark to the northwest.

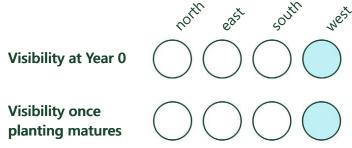
Predicted Changes to Views

During construction and all stages of operation, solar arrays would be visible in the small area of open fields on rising ground seen above a cluster of houses to the west. The rest of the Development would be screened by vegetation. After decommissioning, taller hedgerows would remain, but would not be noticeable in this view.

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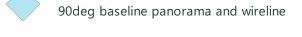
Viewpoint 18 Besthorpe Nature Reserve

Cardinal views analysis:



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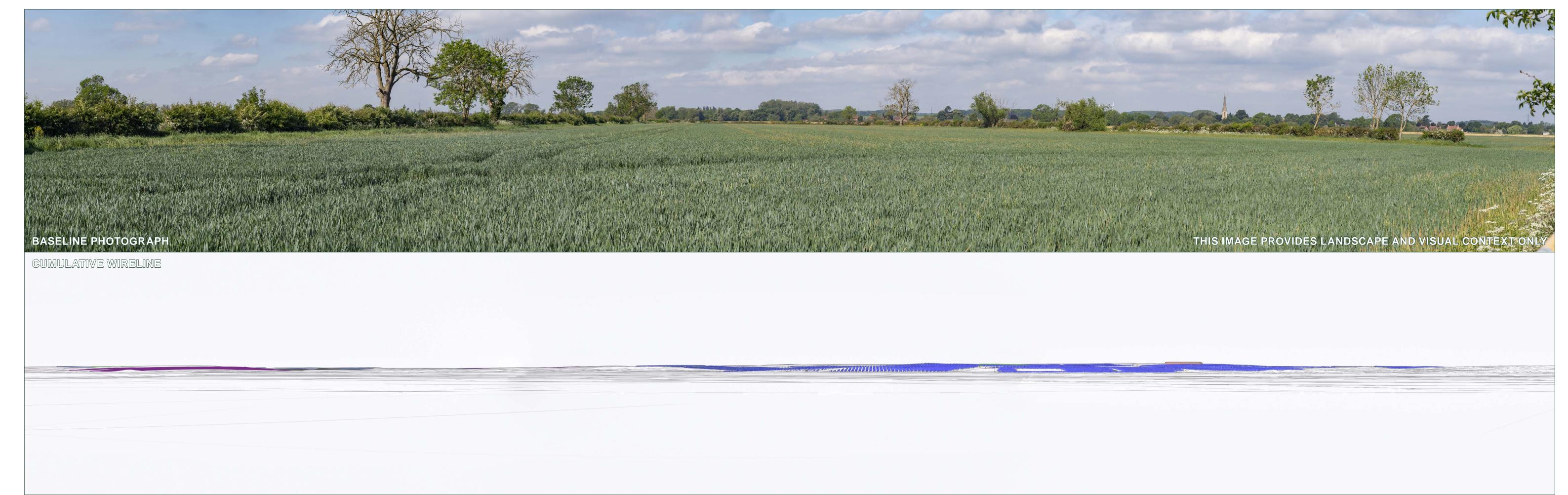
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Viewpoint 18 (A): Besthorpe Nature Reserve



Cumulative Developments:

SSE BESS

Meras

Kelham solar farm

Foxholes solar farm

One Earth solar farm

Consented solar farms (Tuxford Road, Knapthorpe Lodge,

and/or Muskham Wood)

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14.2°

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This view is from a break in vegetation at a field entrance over low fields, divided by hedgerows and trees where the outlook is open to the north and contained by hedges and rising ground to the south. There are occasional buildings and areas of woodland within the view.

Predicted Changes to Views

During construction and early operation there would be views of the solar areas on facing slopes to the northwest. Mill Lane substation would also be seen in front of Cocked Hat Plantation. Once fully grown, mitigation planting would very slightly reduce the extent of the Development that would be visible and mostly screen the Mill Lane substation, however views would remain during operation and decommissioning. Once decommissioned, taller hedgerows and the mitigation planting would remain, forming a small alteration to the view.

GREAT NORTH ROAD SOLAR AND BIODIVERSITY PARK

Viewpoint 26 Bridleway north of Caunton

Cardinal views analysis:

Visibility at Year 0 Visibility once

planting matures





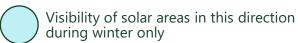




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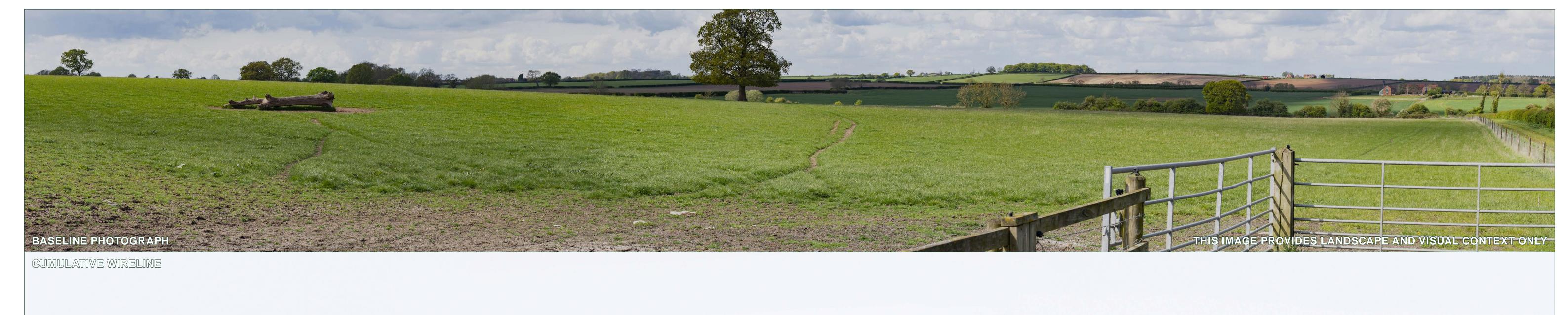
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- The BESS is visible in this direction of the view











GREAT NORTH ROAD SOLAR AND BIODIVERSITY PARK

Viewpoint 26 (A): Bridleway north of Caunton Development:
Solar arrays
CCTV cameras
Fences
400 kV substation

BESS

Cumulative Developments:

SSE BESS

Kelham solar farm

Foxholes solar farm

One Earth solar farm

Consented solar farms (Tuxford Road, Knapthorpe Lodge, and/or Muskham Wood)

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Biodiversity Park







This elevated panoramic view looks from the top of the hill across rolling fields divided by hedgerows, trees and areas of woodland. Buildings, pylons and wind turbines are seen at various points in the view, both nearby and in the distance. The pitched roofs of large barns at Flash Farm form a notable feature to the north.

Predicted Changes to Views

During construction and early operation there would be open views of the solar area to the northwest, and views of the BESS, 400kV substation beyond the barns at Flash Farm, along with cable routes being installed during construction. The solar area to the north along the skyline would be mostly screened by existing vegetation with only a small part visible to the left of the woodland. Once mitigation planting has matured, visibility of the Development would remain to the northwest with the 400kV substation mostly screened by trees, but given the elevation of this viewpoint the BESS would remain visible above the planting. Once decommissioned, tree belts and the main substation (but not the BESS) would remain and there would be limited visibility of the substation.

Cumulative

Kelham solar farm would be seen in open fields beyond the farm buildings at Flash Farm and nearby pylons.

GREAT NORTH ROAD SOLAR AND BIODIVERSITY PARK

Viewpoint 27 Micklebarrow Hill

Cardinal views analysis:

Visibility at Year 0



Visibility once planting matures



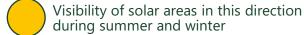






No solar areas visible from this viewpoint in this direction







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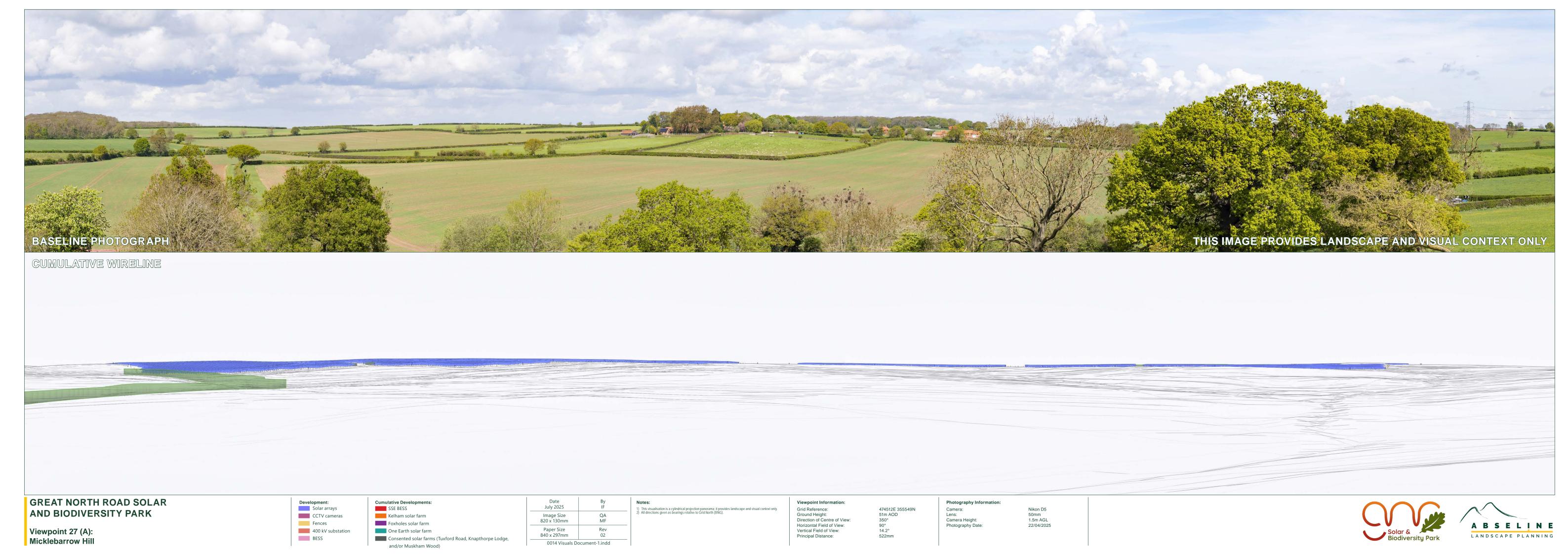


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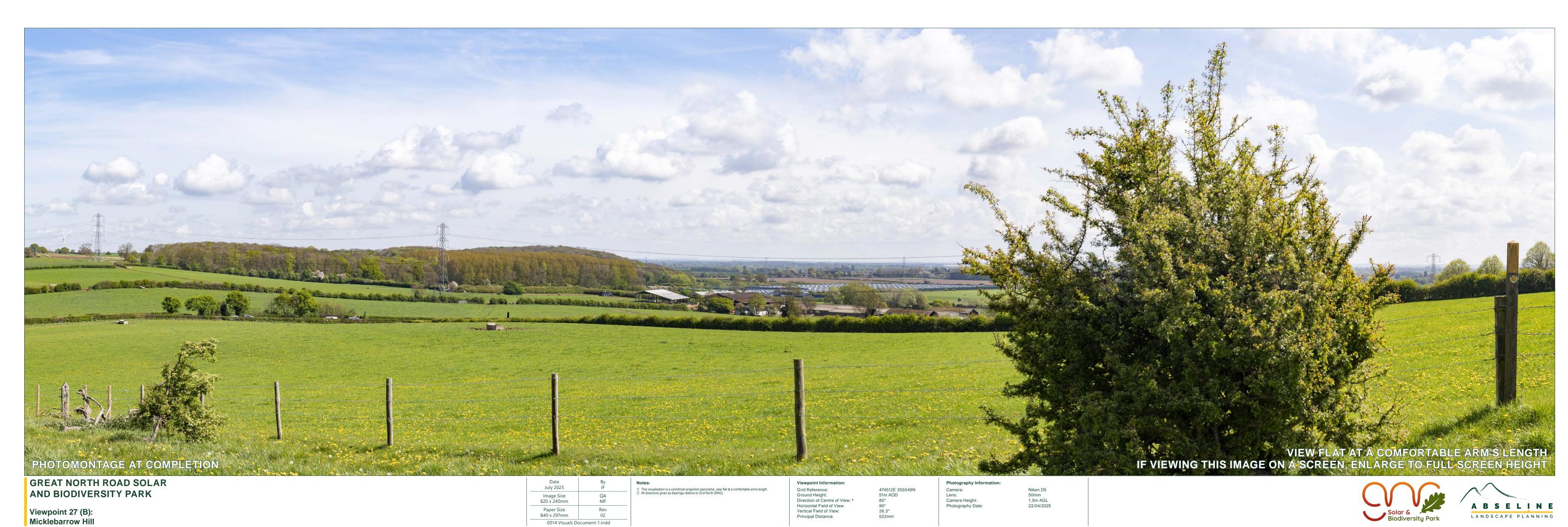


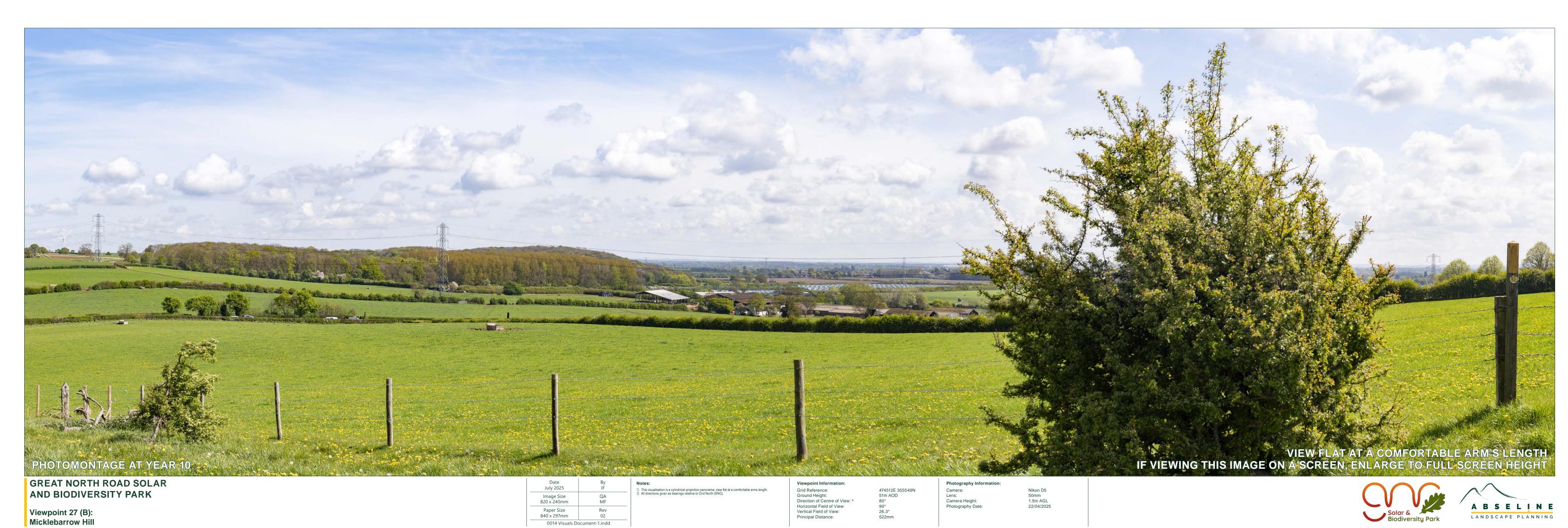
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LANDSCAPE PLANNING







There is an open outlook to the north as the local road descends and then rises towards the A617 junction. Beyond this, fields continue to rise towards a skyline formed by hedges and woodlands. Homes and farm buildings can be seen near the road junction and on the skyline. Views are channelled along the road by roadside hedges and rising ground to the south.

Predicted Changes to Views

During construction and early operation, solar arrays would be seen in the field on the skyline above the buildings seen looking along the road. There would be more visibility in winter when solar arrays in a lower field would be seen through the branches of the tree beyond the junction. Once planting is mature, a linear woodland would mostly screen these lower panels and would continue across the view connecting the two nearby woodlands.

GREAT NORTH ROAD SOLAR AND BIODIVERSITY PARK

Viewpoint 28 Local Road north of Upton

Cardinal views analysis:

Visibility at Year 0



Visibility once planting matures

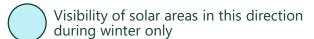


Key

No solar areas visible from this viewpoint in this direction







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90deg baseline panorama and wireline

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Viewpoint 28 (A): Local road north of Upton

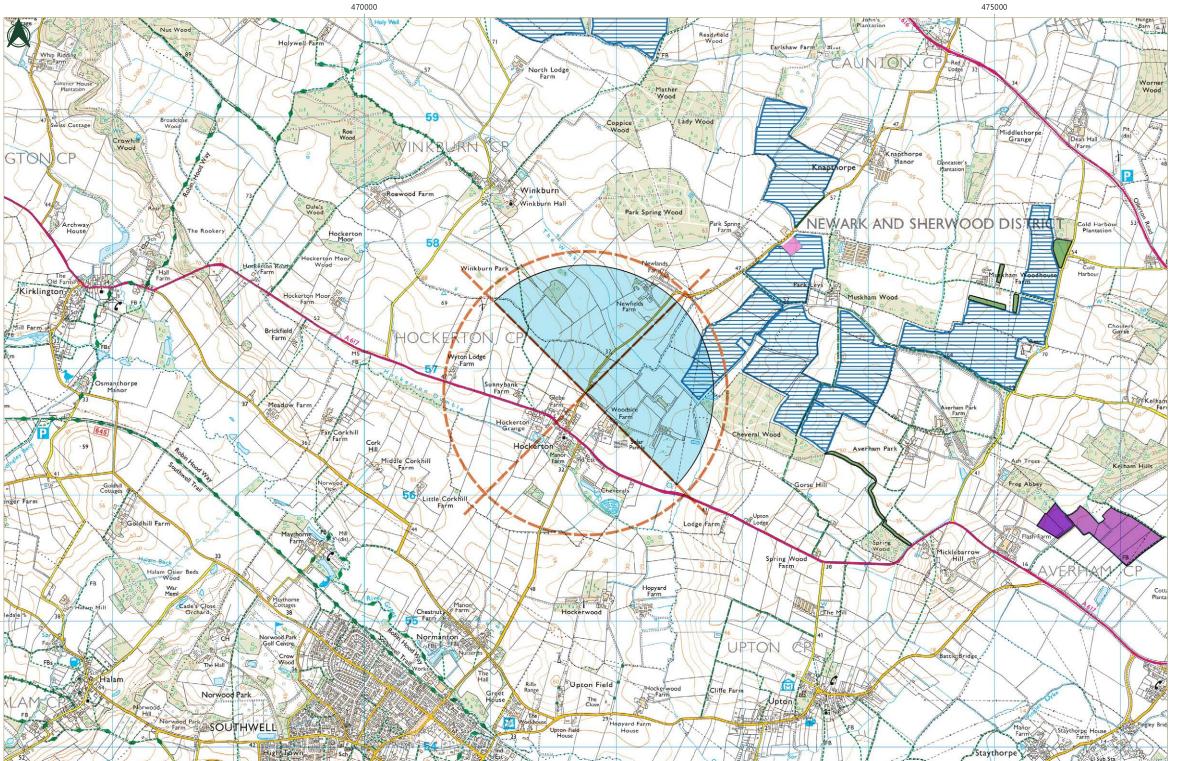
400 kV substation
BESS

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This view looks across rolling fields, divided by hedges, trees and areas of woodland. A house is visible in the foreground of the view, with a second property and associated farm buildings seen behind this. The view to the east is partly screened by a mature copse of trees and the roadside hedgerows. Electricity pylons, wind turbines and woodland are seen along the skyline to the north and northeast. The view south towards Hockerton is screened by roadside hedges.

Predicted Changes to Views

During construction traffic would route along the road adjacent to the viewpoint and users may notice a slight increase in vehicles as nearby elements of the Development are constructed. During construction and early operation, there would be views of the solar areas on the facing slopes in front of the woodland to the northeast. Caunton Road substation would be visible on the skyline adjacent to the woodland in the same direction. Once mitigation planting is fully grown there would a slight reduction in the extent of the Development that would be visible, and the hedges between would be more noticeable. Once decommissioned, taller hedgerows and the mitigation planting would remain, forming a limited alteration to the view.

GREAT NORTH ROAD SOLAR AND BIODIVERSITY PARK

Viewpoint 29 Hockerton

Cardinal views analysis:

Visibility at Year 0

Visibility once planting matures



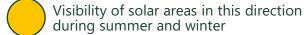


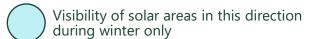


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Viewpoint 29 (A): Hockerton

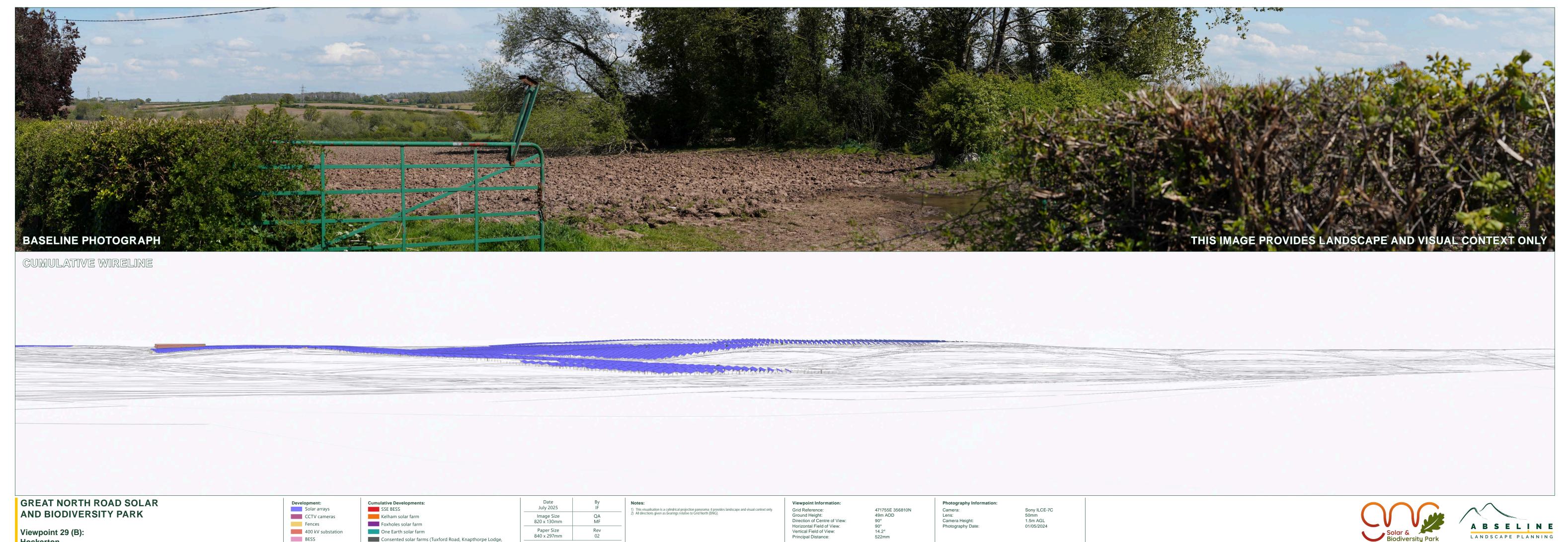
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