

VIEWPOINT 18



DISMANTLED RAILWAY

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RECEPTOR	DESCRIPTION OF VIEW	NATURE OF EFFECT & MITIGATION	CONSTRUCTION	SIGNIFICANCE OF EFFECTS									
Transport & recreational route adjacent to residential area. (Lancaster Ave)	Foreground - Marshland/informal grazing (greenbelt) delineated by mature hedgerows within the mid-distance. Existing road network more dominant A8 & A73 vehicles partially visible. Far views - open agricultural fields with hedges and woodland create undulating rural setting within skyline around Sandyford Farm.	Land cover and land form altered due proposed A8 APR/off slip provision (centre right of view) Excavation and earthworks visible around Newhouse Interchange. Dismantled railway landform/landcover limits views of road infrastructure (right foreground). Excavations associated with the proposed attenuation basin partially screened by field boundary hedgerow. Reprofiled cutting alters skyline (left of centre) around Sandyford Farm.	OPERATIONAL STAGE	Short/mid term effects will be noticeable and mitigation planting will start to address long term adverse effects resulting in landscape which does not quite fit into the existing resource. Some features will be re-introduced to enhance landscape quality.	BENEFICIAL	SUBSTANTIAL	MODERATE	SLIGHT	NO CHANGE	SLIGHT	MODERATE	SUBSTANTIAL	ADVERSE
Location 165m AOD 50m NW of new Interchange at Newhouse.													
Sensitivity : - High			15 YEARS FROM OPERATION (LONG TERM)	Mature roadside woodland and hedgerow planting minimise visual effects of vehicular movements attenuation basin and associated planting features provide ecological benefits linked to new and existing valuable linear features within the locality. New cutting with grassland blends into the skyline adjacent to Sandyford Farm more sensitively removing dominant linear features in distant view (centre).		Initial construction and land cover removal around the existing interchange results in notable changes within the mid distance right of view. Mitigation measures cannot address all long term visual effects. The intervening land cover, built form and vegetation limit the visual envelope.							

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