

Car Park, NIAB Headquarters, 93 Lawrence Weaver Road, Cambridge assessment



A map of Car Park, NIAB Headquarters, 93 Lawrence Weaver Road, Cambridge

Site information	-
Site ID	115266
HELAA Site ID	200850
Suitable Site Area (ha)	0.204614418907745
Ward/Parish	Castle
Greenfield or Previously Developed?	Previously developed land
Category of site	Densification of existing urban areas
Category of settlement	Cambridge City
Current use(s)	Car Park
Proposed development	Residential
Proposed employment floorspace (m2)	0
Proposed residential capacity	18-24
Suitability	-
Adopted Development Plan Policies RAG 2025	Green

Adopted Development Plan Policies Comment 2025	Development of the site is compatible and consistent with Development Plan policies and allocation.
Flood Risk RAG Assessment 2025	Green
Flood Risk Officer Comment 2025	Flood zone: Wholly in Flood Zone 1; Surface water flooding: No area lies within land at risk of surface water flooding
Flood Risk RAG Assessment 2023	-
Flood Risk Officer Comment 2023	-
Flood Risk RAG Assessment 2021	-
Flood Risk Officer Comment 2021	-
Landscape RAG Assessment 2025	Green
Landscape Comment 2025	The principle of development on this site is acceptable in Landscape terms. Critical will be the integration of the access drive (preferred Option 2), creation of a typology which bridges the gap between the two different residential typologies to either side of the site and the integration of both street trees and other trees within the site to embed the development within the residential context.
Landscape RAG Assessment 2023	-
Landscape Comment 2023	-
Landscape RAG Assessment 2021	-
Landscape Comment 2021	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity RAG Assessment 2025	Green
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Officer Comments 2025	Development of the site would not have a detrimental impact on any designated site, or those with a regional or local protection. A development of the size and scale described would not provide any specific ecological risks to statutory or non-statutory designated sites. However, this does not remove the likelihood of protected and priority species being impacted, nor that a development of the type described would likely be eligible for mandatory biodiversity net gain.
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Guideline Comments 2025	Development of the site would not have a detrimental impact on any designated site, or those with a regional or local protection.
Biodiversity and Geodiversity RAG Assessment 2023	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Officer Comments 2023	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Guideline Comments 2023	-

Biodiversity and Geodiversity RAG Assessment 2021	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Officer Comments 2021	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Guideline Comments 2021	-
Policy RAG Rating 2025	Green
Policy Officer Comment 2025	Site is not on protected open space designation. Any impact of the proposed development could be reasonably mitigated or compensated. Within 50m of Protected Open Space.
Policy RAG Rating 2023	-
Policy Officer Comment 2023	-
Policy RAG Rating 2021	-
Policy Officer Comments 2021	-
Historic Environment RAG Assessment 2025	Green
Historic Environment Comments 2025	Development of the site would have either a neutral or positive impact, but importantly not have a detrimental impact on any designated or non-designated heritage assets.
Historic Environment RAG Assessment 2023	-
Historic Environment Comments 2023	-
Historic Environment RAG Assessment 2021	-
Historic Environment Comments 2021	-
Archaeology RAG Assessment 2025	Green
Archaeology Officer Comment 2025	Archaeological evaluation has previously been undertaken in this area and further investigation is not necessary.
Archaeology RAG Assessment 2023	-
Archaeology Officer Comment 2023	-
Archaeology RAG Assessment 2021	-
Archaeology Officer Comment 2021	-
Accessibility RAG Assessment 2025 - Automated	Amber
Accessibility RAG Assessment 2025 - Officer Verified	-

Accessibility Comment 2025	Adequate accessibility to key local services, transport, and employment opportunities. Proposed development would not require delivery of accompanying key services
Site Access RAG Assessment 2025	Amber
Site Access Officer Comment 2025	The site has been scored as Amber. The site is acceptable in principle, subject to further detail and consultation at the planning application stage.
Site Access RAG Assessment 2023	-
Site Access Officer Comment 2023	-
Site Access RAG Assessment 2021	-
Site Access Officer Comment 2021	-
Transport and Roads RAG Assessment 2025	Green
Transport and Roads Guideline Comments 2025	This falls below the threshold for a Transport Assessment
Transport and Roads RAG Assessment 2023	-
Transport and Roads Guideline Comments 2023	-
Transport and Roads RAG Assessment 2021	-
Transport and Roads Guideline Comments 2021	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution RAG Assessment 2025	Green
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution Guideline Comments 2025	Having regard to the nature, size, scale, location and character of the area, considered a low adverse noise constraint impact / effect risk on proposed residential occupiers- no objection. Construction impacts and potential operational noise for example Air Source Heat Pump/s (ASHP/s) etc. a constraint but manageable via conditions.
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution RAG Assessment 2023	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution Guideline Comments 2023	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution RAG Assessment 2021	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution Guideline Comments 2021	-
AQMA RAG Assessment 2025	Amber

Air Quality Officer Comment 2025	The site has been scored as Amber. The site falls outside the Air Quality Management Area (AQMA). However, due to the scale of the site, the number of units proposed and the location, air quality mitigation measures and conditions may be necessary to offset impacts on designated AQMAs.
AQMA RAG Assessment 2023	-
Air Quality Officer Comment 2023	-
AQMA RAG Assessment 2021	-
Air Quality Officer Comment 2021	-
Contaminated Land RAG Assessment 2025	Green
Contaminated Land Officer Comments 2025	Brownfield site but subject to investigation in 2017, risk of contamination is low
Contaminated Land RAG Assessment 2023	-
Contaminated Land Officer Comments 2023	-
Contaminated Land RAG Assessment 2021	-
Contaminated Land Officer Comments 2021	-
Overall Suitability Score	Amber
Further constraints	-
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 1	0
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 2	100
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 3	0
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 4	0
Agricultural Land Classification Non Agricultural	0
Agricultural Land Classification Urban	0
Source Protection Zone	0
Highways England Zones	Cambridge
Available	-
Is the site controlled by a developer or landowner who has expressed an intention to develop?	The site was submitted by the landowner and/or site promoter who has confirmed that the site is available for development in the timescales indicated.
Are there known legal or ownership impediments to development?	No

Is there planning permission to develop the site?	No relevant recent planning history
When will the site be available for development?	0 to 5 years
Available RAG	Amber
Achievable	-
Is there a reasonable prospect that the site will be developed?	The land has been promoted by the landowner and or developer and is known to be available for development. The site has a low existing use value and development is likely to be economically viable
Achievable RAG	Green
Capacity	-
Prevailing Density (weighted) (dwellings per ha)	30
Residential capacity at prevailing density	6
Estimated employment space (m2)	0
Estimated start date	0-5 Years
Estimated annual build-out rate (pa)	40-75
Development completion timescales (years)	0-5 Years

Land cornering M11 and Madingley Road, Cambridge assessment



A map of Land cornering M11 and Madingley Road, Cambridge

Site information	-
Site ID	115535
HELAA Site ID	40492
Suitable Site Area (ha)	4.25859848160156
Ward/Parish	Castle
Greenfield or Previously Developed?	Previously Developed Land
Category of site	Edge of Cambridge: Green Belt
Category of settlement	Cambridge City
Current use(s)	-
Proposed development	Mixed Use
Proposed employment floorspace (m2)	10000
Proposed residential capacity	75
Suitability	-
Adopted Development Plan Policies RAG 2025	Amber

Adopted Development Plan Policies Comment 2025	Development of the site has some potential policy constraints, but these could be overcome through the planning application process.
Flood Risk RAG Assessment 2025	Amber
Flood Risk Officer Comment 2025	Flood Zone: Wholly in Flood Zone 1. Surface Water Flooding: 3% lies in a 1 in 30 year event. 2% lies in a 1 in 100 year event. 5% lies in a 1 in 1000 year event
Flood Risk RAG Assessment 2023	-
Flood Risk Officer Comment 2023	-
Flood Risk RAG Assessment 2021	Amber
Flood Risk Officer Comment 2021	The site contains areas at high, or medium risk from surface water flooding and/or the site contains some land in Flood Zones 2 and/or 3 but there is sufficient land in Flood Zone 1 to accommodate at least 5 additional dwellings or an increase of 500 square metres of employment floorspace.
Landscape RAG Assessment 2025	-
Landscape Comment 2025	-
Landscape RAG Assessment 2023	-
Landscape Comment 2023	-
Landscape RAG Assessment 2021	Red
Landscape Comment 2021	Development of the site would interrupt the north/south landscape buffer corridor between the motorway and any development thereby urbanising the edge of the motorway and introducing a discordant element into the landscape character of the road. The M11 is immediately to the west and any development on the western side of the site would be seen from the motorway. A landscape buffer could be reserved on the western side of the site to screen low rise development but the noise of the M11 would be all pervading. Development would be slightly cut off from any other residential development.
Biodiversity and Geodiversity RAG Assessment 2025	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Officer Comments 2025	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Guideline Comments 2025	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity RAG Assessment 2023	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Officer Comments 2023	-

Biodiversity and Geodiversity Guideline Comments 2023	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity RAG Assessment 2021	Amber
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Officer Comments 2021	Any general combustion processes above 20MW input, and any agricultural/industrial development that could cause air pollution will require consultation with Natural England. There is a water body on site that will require further assessment and probable mitigation. There are no apparent priority habitats within the site; however, there are buildings, grasslands, wooded areas, hedges, and wooded boundaries on site that are likely to have ecological value. Applications may find provision of a 10% net gain in biodiversity difficult within their redline boundaries and may need to find off-site compensation to comply with up-coming National legislation and developing local policies.
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Guideline Comments 2021	Development of the site may have a detrimental impact on a designated site, or those with a regional or local protection but the impact could be reasonably mitigated or compensated.
Policy RAG Rating 2025	-
Policy Officer Comment 2025	-
Policy RAG Rating 2023	-
Policy Officer Comment 2023	-
Policy RAG Rating 2021	Green
Policy Officer Comments 2021	Site is not on protected open space designation. Any impact of the proposed development could be reasonably mitigated or compensated.
Historic Environment RAG Assessment 2025	-
Historic Environment Comments 2025	-
Historic Environment RAG Assessment 2023	-
Historic Environment Comments 2023	-
Historic Environment RAG Assessment 2021	Green
Historic Environment Comments 2021	Development of the site would have either a neutral or positive impact, but importantly not have a detrimental impact on any designated or non-designated heritage assets.
Archaeology RAG Assessment 2025	-
Archaeology Officer Comment 2025	-
Archaeology RAG Assessment 2023	-
Archaeology Officer Comment 2023	-
Archaeology RAG Assessment 2021	Green

Archaeology Officer Comment 2021	Archaeological work has been completed in this area
Accessibility RAG Assessment 2025 - Automated	Amber
Accessibility RAG Assessment 2025 - Officer Verified	-
Accessibility Comment 2025	Adequate accessibility to key local services, transport, and employment opportunities.
Site Access RAG Assessment 2025	-
Site Access Officer Comment 2025	-
Site Access RAG Assessment 2023	-
Site Access Officer Comment 2023	-
Site Access RAG Assessment 2021	Amber
Site Access Officer Comment 2021	The proposed site is acceptable in principle subject to detailed design.
Transport and Roads RAG Assessment 2025	-
Transport and Roads Guideline Comments 2025	-
Transport and Roads RAG Assessment 2023	-
Transport and Roads Guideline Comments 2023	-
Transport and Roads RAG Assessment 2021	Amber
Transport and Roads Guideline Comments 2021	Any potential impact on the functioning of trunk roads and/or local roads could be reasonably mitigated.
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution RAG Assessment 2025	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution Guideline Comments 2025	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution RAG Assessment 2023	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution Guideline Comments 2023	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution RAG Assessment 2021	Amber

Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution Guideline Comments 2021	M11 / Hauxton Rd / A1309 - very HIGH traffic noise - The proposed site will be affected by road traffic noise from nearby main roads but is acceptable in principle subject to appropriate zoning / layout of residential, detailed design considerations and mitigation.
AQMA RAG Assessment 2025	-
Air Quality Officer Comment 2025	-
AQMA RAG Assessment 2023	-
Air Quality Officer Comment 2023	-
AQMA RAG Assessment 2021	Amber
Air Quality Officer Comment 2021	Will require inherent / intrinsic designed in AQ mitigation.
Contaminated Land RAG Assessment 2025	-
Contaminated Land Officer Comments 2025	-
Contaminated Land RAG Assessment 2023	-
Contaminated Land Officer Comments 2023	-
Contaminated Land RAG Assessment 2021	Amber
Contaminated Land Officer Comments 2021	Brownfield site, minor contamination expected, conditions required
Overall Suitability Score	Red
Further constraints	-
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 1	0
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 2	0
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 3	100
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 4	0
Agricultural Land Classification Non Agricultural	0
Agricultural Land Classification Urban	0
Source Protection Zone	0
Highways England Zones	Cambridge, M11 North, A14 CNB
Available	-
Is the site controlled by a developer or landowner who has expressed an intention to develop?	The site was submitted by the landowner and/or site promoter who has confirmed that the site is available for development in the timescales indicated.

Are there known legal or ownership impediments to development?	No
Is there planning permission to develop the site?	No relevant recent planning history
When will the site be available for development?	0-5 Years
Available RAG	Green
Achievable	-
Is there a reasonable prospect that the site will be developed?	The land has been promoted by the landowner and or developer and is known to be available for development. The site has a low existing use value and mixed-use development is likely to be economically viable at an appropriate density.
Achievable RAG	Green
Capacity	-
Prevailing Density (weighted) (dwellings per ha)	30
Residential capacity at prevailing density	102
Estimated employment space (m2)	10000
Estimated start date	0-5 Years
Estimated annual build-out rate (pa)	40-75
Development completion timescales (years)	0-5 Years

Land north of Madingley Road, Cambridge assessment



A map of Land north of Madingley Road, Cambridge

Site information	-
Site ID	115536
HELAA Site ID	40393
Suitable Site Area (ha)	1.95088578944714
Ward/Parish	Castle
Greenfield or Previously Developed?	Greenfield
Category of site	Densification of existing urban areas
Category of settlement	Cambridge City
Current use(s)	-
Proposed development	Residential
Proposed employment floorspace (m2)	0
Proposed residential capacity	25
Suitability	-
Adopted Development Plan Policies RAG 2025	Amber

Adopted Development Plan Policies Comment 2025	Development of the site has some potential policy constraints, but these could be overcome through the planning application process.
Flood Risk RAG Assessment 2025	Amber
Flood Risk Officer Comment 2025	Flood Zone: Wholly in Flood Zone 1. Surface Water Flooding: 9% lies in a 1 in 30 year event. 9% lies in a 1 in 100 year event. 7% lies in a 1 in 1000 year event
Flood Risk RAG Assessment 2023	-
Flood Risk Officer Comment 2023	-
Flood Risk RAG Assessment 2021	Amber
Flood Risk Officer Comment 2021	The site is within flood zone 2 (taking into account climate change) and/or is within an area at high, medium or low risk from surface water flooding.
Landscape RAG Assessment 2025	-
Landscape Comment 2025	-
Landscape RAG Assessment 2023	-
Landscape Comment 2023	-
Landscape RAG Assessment 2021	Green
Landscape Comment 2021	This is a discrete, well treed site with four large dwellings, located in a low-density suburban area of Cambridge. The area is characterised by single dwellings in large gardens, low rise, low density, flattened developments, and institutional buildings. The retention of the discrete, treed character of the site would be key to achieving the proposed development 25 units on the site. Retention of trees, particularly on the boundaries as well as appropriate design, height and massing will be vital.
Biodiversity and Geodiversity RAG Assessment 2025	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Officer Comments 2025	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Guideline Comments 2025	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity RAG Assessment 2023	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Officer Comments 2023	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Guideline Comments 2023	-

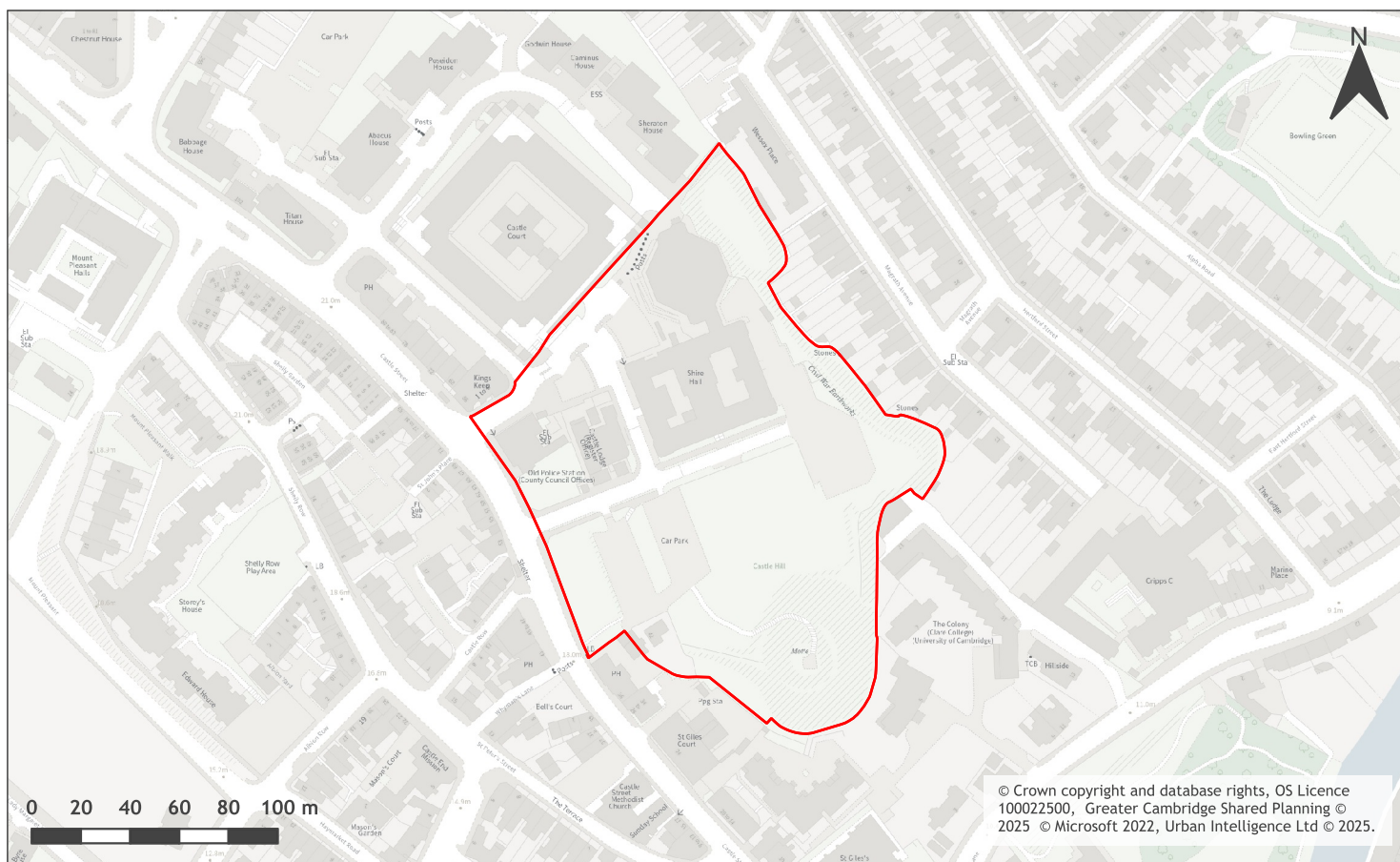
Biodiversity and Geodiversity RAG Assessment 2021	Green
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Officer Comments 2021	Mature gardens with significant tree cover likely to form important local habitat network in urban setting. Likely to result in high baseline score for BNG metric and, therefore, 10% BNG unlikely to be viable on site. Bats roost potential in existing suitable buildings.
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Guideline Comments 2021	Development of the site would not have a detrimental impact on any designated site, or those with a regional or local protection.
Policy RAG Rating 2025	-
Policy Officer Comment 2025	-
Policy RAG Rating 2023	-
Policy Officer Comment 2023	-
Policy RAG Rating 2021	Green
Policy Officer Comments 2021	Site is not on protected open space designation, however there are some protected open space designations on periphery of the site. Development of the site may have a detrimental impact on the peripheral open space designation, but the impact could be reasonably mitigated or compensated.
Historic Environment RAG Assessment 2025	-
Historic Environment Comments 2025	-
Historic Environment RAG Assessment 2023	-
Historic Environment Comments 2023	-
Historic Environment RAG Assessment 2021	Red
Historic Environment Comments 2021	This site lies within the West Cambridge conservation area and consists of four large detached dwellings with their large mature gardens which is characteristic of the conservation area. In the north east of site is the Grade II listed 12 and 12A Madingley Road and the other three buildings are noted as positive unlisted buildings within the conservation area appraisal. Development would be harmful to the character of the conservation and the setting of the listed buildings on the site. The impact cannot not be reasonably mitigated.
Archaeology RAG Assessment 2025	-
Archaeology Officer Comment 2025	-
Archaeology RAG Assessment 2023	-
Archaeology Officer Comment 2023	-
Archaeology RAG Assessment 2021	Amber
Archaeology Officer Comment 2021	Located on the outskirts of the Roman town, close to the line of the main road leading into the town from the south east.

Accessibility RAG Assessment 2025 - Automated	Green
Accessibility RAG Assessment 2025 - Officer Verified	-
Accessibility Comment 2025	Good accessibility to key local services, transport, and employment opportunities. Proposed development would not require delivery of accompanying key services
Site Access RAG Assessment 2025	-
Site Access Officer Comment 2025	-
Site Access RAG Assessment 2023	-
Site Access Officer Comment 2023	-
Site Access RAG Assessment 2021	Green
Site Access Officer Comment 2021	The proposed site is acceptable in principle subject to detailed design.
Transport and Roads RAG Assessment 2025	-
Transport and Roads Guideline Comments 2025	-
Transport and Roads RAG Assessment 2023	-
Transport and Roads Guideline Comments 2023	-
Transport and Roads RAG Assessment 2021	Green
Transport and Roads Guideline Comments 2021	Development of the site will not have a detrimental impact on the functioning of trunk roads and/or local roads.
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution RAG Assessment 2025	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution Guideline Comments 2025	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution RAG Assessment 2023	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution Guideline Comments 2023	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution RAG Assessment 2021	Amber
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution Guideline Comments 2021	The proposed site will be affected by road traffic noise from Madingley Road but is acceptable in principle subject to appropriate detailed design considerations and mitigation.

AQMA RAG Assessment 2025	-
Air Quality Officer Comment 2025	-
AQMA RAG Assessment 2023	-
Air Quality Officer Comment 2023	-
AQMA RAG Assessment 2021	Amber
Air Quality Officer Comment 2021	Will require inherent / intrinsic designed in AQ mitigation.
Contaminated Land RAG Assessment 2025	-
Contaminated Land Officer Comments 2025	-
Contaminated Land RAG Assessment 2023	-
Contaminated Land Officer Comments 2023	-
Contaminated Land RAG Assessment 2021	Green
Contaminated Land Officer Comments 2021	No prior history of development aside from residential use
Overall Suitability Score	Red
Further constraints	-
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 1	0
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 2	0
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 3	0
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 4	0
Agricultural Land Classification Non Agricultural	0
Agricultural Land Classification Urban	100
Source Protection Zone	0
Highways England Zones	Cambridge
Available	-
Is the site controlled by a developer or landowner who has expressed an intention to develop?	The site was submitted by the landowner and/or site promoter who has confirmed that the site is available for development in the timescales indicated.
Are there known legal or ownership impediments to development?	No

Is there planning permission to develop the site?	No relevant recent planning history
When will the site be available for development?	0-5 Years
Available RAG	Green
Achievable	-
Is there a reasonable prospect that the site will be developed?	The land has been promoted by the landowner and or developer and is known to be available for development. The site has a low existing use value and residential development is likely to be economically viable at an appropriate density.
Achievable RAG	Green
Capacity	-
Prevailing Density (weighted) (dwellings per ha)	30
Residential capacity at prevailing density	53
Estimated employment space (m2)	0
Estimated start date	0-5 Years
Estimated annual build-out rate (pa)	40-75
Development completion timescales (years)	0-5 Years

Shire Hall, Castle Street, Cambridge assessment



A map of Shire Hall, Castle Street, Cambridge

Site information	-
Site ID	115537
HELAA Site ID	40083
Suitable Site Area (ha)	2.46230807479976
Ward/Parish	Castle
Greenfield or Previously Developed?	Previously Developed Land
Category of site	Densification of existing urban areas
Category of settlement	Cambridge City
Current use(s)	-
Proposed development	Mixed use
Proposed employment floorspace (m2)	11200
Proposed residential capacity	49
Suitability	-
Adopted Development Plan Policies RAG 2025	Amber

Adopted Development Plan Policies Comment 2025	Development of the site has some potential policy constraints, but these could be overcome through the planning application process.
Flood Risk RAG Assessment 2025	Amber
Flood Risk Officer Comment 2025	Flood Zone: Wholly in Flood Zone 1. Surface Water Flooding: 1% lies in a 1 in 30 year event. 2% lies in a 1 in 100 year event. 3% lies in a 1 in 1000 year event
Flood Risk RAG Assessment 2023	-
Flood Risk Officer Comment 2023	-
Flood Risk RAG Assessment 2021	Amber
Flood Risk Officer Comment 2021	The site is within flood zone 2 (taking into account climate change) and/or is within an area at high, medium or low risk from surface water flooding.
Landscape RAG Assessment 2025	-
Landscape Comment 2025	-
Landscape RAG Assessment 2023	-
Landscape Comment 2023	-
Landscape RAG Assessment 2021	Amber
Landscape Comment 2021	The site is roughly divided into two parts: one comprising of large office buildings, car and cycle parking, access roads, and one comprising protected open space including a scheduled monument. The open space and mound are valued locally; it is the highest point in the city and is a well-used as a panoramic viewing point. Development would need to be focused to the already developed parts of the site and the protected open space and viewpoints retained.
Biodiversity and Geodiversity RAG Assessment 2025	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Officer Comments 2025	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Guideline Comments 2025	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity RAG Assessment 2023	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Officer Comments 2023	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Guideline Comments 2023	-

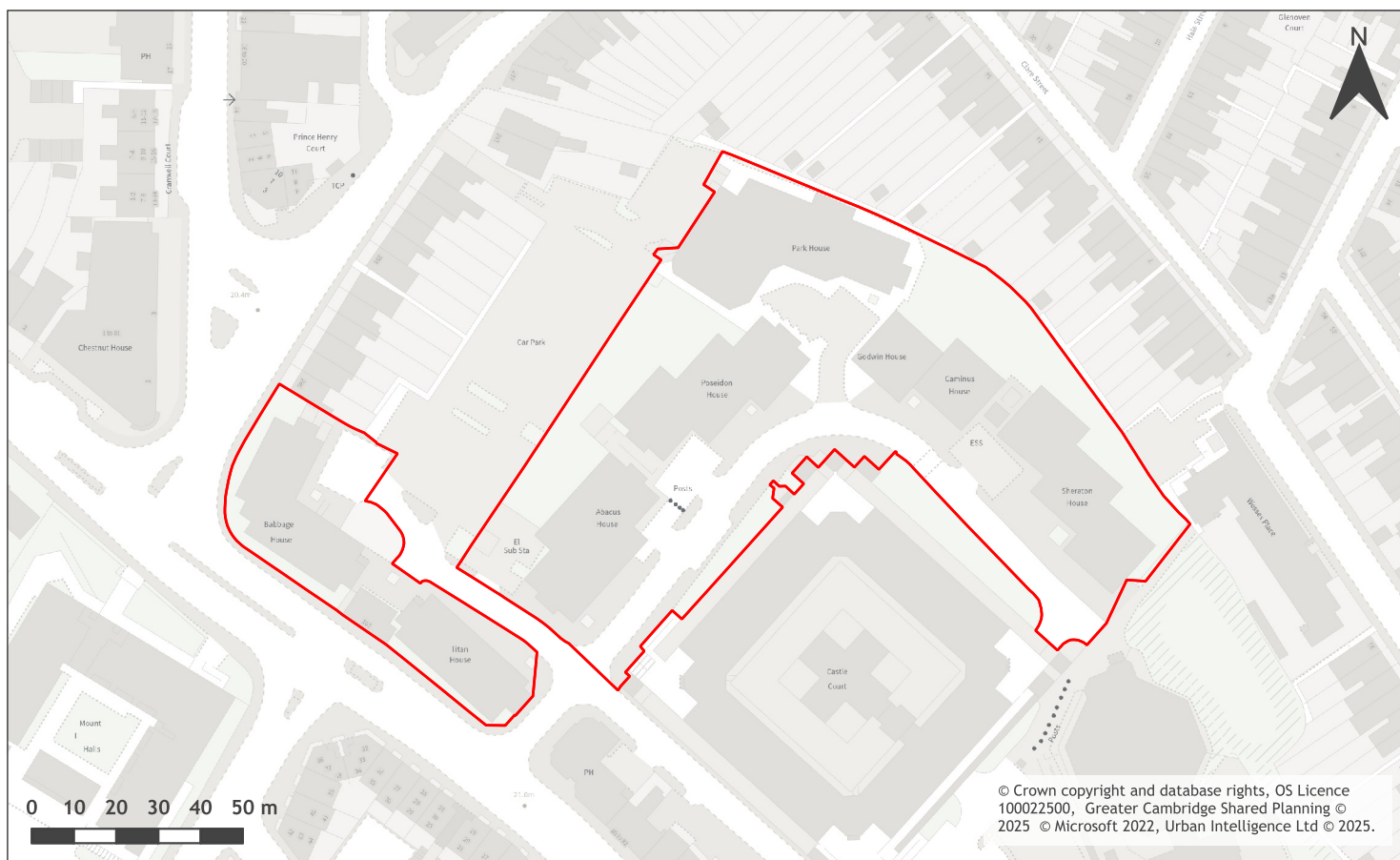
Biodiversity and Geodiversity RAG Assessment 2021	Green
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Officer Comments 2021	No direct impact on designated sites. However, the motte and surrounds has potential to support historic grassland flora and invertebrate species and should be assessed against appropriate City Wildlife site criteria.
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Guideline Comments 2021	Development of the site would not have a detrimental impact on any designated site, or those with a regional or local protection.
Policy RAG Rating 2025	-
Policy Officer Comment 2025	-
Policy RAG Rating 2023	-
Policy Officer Comment 2023	-
Policy RAG Rating 2021	Amber
Policy Officer Comments 2021	Castle Mound is protected open space. The retention of open space with public access will not have an impact on the availability of local open spaces. However, development on the remainder of the site which is not open space may have a detrimental impact on the open space designation, but the impact could be reasonably mitigated or compensated.
Historic Environment RAG Assessment 2025	-
Historic Environment Comments 2025	-
Historic Environment RAG Assessment 2023	-
Historic Environment Comments 2023	-
Historic Environment RAG Assessment 2021	Amber
Historic Environment Comments 2021	The site boundary includes a Scheduled Monument and Listed Buildings as well as the Shire Hall buildings, but the Response Form indicates the change of use for the existing buildings and possible extensions which may not cover the whole site. Change of use and extensions may be acceptable subject to design, scale and massing.
Archaeology RAG Assessment 2025	-
Archaeology Officer Comment 2025	-
Archaeology RAG Assessment 2023	-
Archaeology Officer Comment 2023	-
Archaeology RAG Assessment 2021	Amber
Archaeology Officer Comment 2021	Significant archaeology of Roman and medieval date is known in the area. Consideration must be given to the protection and enhancement of the scheduled Castle Mound and Civil War earthworks

Accessibility RAG Assessment 2025 - Automated	Green
Accessibility RAG Assessment 2025 - Officer Verified	-
Accessibility Comment 2025	Good accessibility to key local services, transport, and employment opportunities. Proposed development would not require delivery of accompanying key services
Site Access RAG Assessment 2025	-
Site Access Officer Comment 2025	-
Site Access RAG Assessment 2023	-
Site Access Officer Comment 2023	-
Site Access RAG Assessment 2021	Amber
Site Access Officer Comment 2021	The proposed site is acceptable in principle subject to detailed design.
Transport and Roads RAG Assessment 2025	-
Transport and Roads Guideline Comments 2025	-
Transport and Roads RAG Assessment 2023	-
Transport and Roads Guideline Comments 2023	-
Transport and Roads RAG Assessment 2021	Amber
Transport and Roads Guideline Comments 2021	Any potential impact on the functioning of trunk roads and/or local roads could be reasonably mitigated.
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution RAG Assessment 2025	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution Guideline Comments 2025	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution RAG Assessment 2023	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution Guideline Comments 2023	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution RAG Assessment 2021	Amber
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution Guideline Comments 2021	Existing and proposed mixed residential/commercial & road noise etc. The proposed site is acceptable in principle subject to detailed design considerations and appropriate mitigation, if necessary.

AQMA RAG Assessment 2025	-
Air Quality Officer Comment 2025	-
AQMA RAG Assessment 2023	-
Air Quality Officer Comment 2023	-
AQMA RAG Assessment 2021	Amber
Air Quality Officer Comment 2021	Will require inherent / intrinsic designed in AQ mitigation.
Contaminated Land RAG Assessment 2025	-
Contaminated Land Officer Comments 2025	-
Contaminated Land RAG Assessment 2023	-
Contaminated Land Officer Comments 2023	-
Contaminated Land RAG Assessment 2021	Amber
Contaminated Land Officer Comments 2021	Brownfield site, contamination expected and planning conditions required
Overall Suitability Score	Amber
Further constraints	-
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 1	0
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 2	0
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 3	0
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 4	0
Agricultural Land Classification Non Agricultural	0
Agricultural Land Classification Urban	100
Source Protection Zone	0
Highways England Zones	Cambridge
Available	-
Is the site controlled by a developer or landowner who has expressed an intention to develop?	The site was submitted by the landowner and/or site promoter who has confirmed that the site is available for development in the timescales indicated.
Are there known legal or ownership impediments to development?	No

Is there planning permission to develop the site?	No relevant recent planning history
When will the site be available for development?	0-5 Years
Available RAG	Green
Achievable	-
Is there a reasonable prospect that the site will be developed?	The land has been promoted by the landowner and or developer and is known to be available for development. The site has a low existing use value and non-residential development is likely to be economically viable at an appropriate density.
Achievable RAG	Green
Capacity	-
Prevailing Density (weighted) (dwellings per ha)	30
Residential capacity at prevailing density	59
Estimated employment space (m2)	11200
Estimated start date	0-5 Years
Estimated annual build-out rate (pa)	40-75
Development completion timescales (years)	0-5 Years

Castle Park, Cambridge assessment



A map of Castle Park, Cambridge

Site information	-
Site ID	115538
HELAA Site ID	59735
Suitable Site Area (ha)	1.26934570566939
Ward/Parish	Castle
Greenfield or Previously Developed?	Previously Developed Land
Category of site	Densification of existing urban areas
Category of settlement	Cambridge City
Current use(s)	-
Proposed development	Non-residential
Proposed employment floorspace (m2)	0
Proposed residential capacity	0
Suitability	-
Adopted Development Plan Policies RAG 2025	Amber

Adopted Development Plan Policies Comment 2025	Development of the site has some potential policy constraints, but these could be overcome through the planning application process.
Flood Risk RAG Assessment 2025	Amber
Flood Risk Officer Comment 2025	Flood Zone: Wholly in Flood Zone 1. Surface Water Flooding: 4% lies in a 1 in 30 year event. 1% lies in a 1 in 100 year event. 4% lies in a 1 in 1000 year event
Flood Risk RAG Assessment 2023	Amber
Flood Risk Officer Comment 2023	-
Flood Risk RAG Assessment 2021	-
Flood Risk Officer Comment 2021	-
Landscape RAG Assessment 2025	-
Landscape Comment 2025	-
Landscape RAG Assessment 2023	Amber
Landscape Comment 2023	The site is currently occupied by a variety of similarly designed low rise office buildings. A significant number of existing large mature trees including Plane, Birch and Ash. The developable envelope of any proposed developments must consider these trees as a constraint to development and seek to retain them. Overall, it is considered that, in landscape terms, the site is developable as long as the restrictions of working in a Conservation Area, within the setting of a Scheduled Ancient Monument and without negatively impacting the existing mature trees are adhered to.
Landscape RAG Assessment 2021	-
Landscape Comment 2021	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity RAG Assessment 2025	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Officer Comments 2025	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Guideline Comments 2025	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity RAG Assessment 2023	Green
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Officer Comments 2023	All residential developments will require consideration of recreational impacts on nearby SSSIs. The site likely contains low ecological value with no Priority habitat. However, the buildings will need to be assessed for their potential to support roosting bats.
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Guideline Comments 2023	Development of the site would not have a detrimental impact on any designated site, or those with a regional or local protection.

Biodiversity and Geodiversity RAG Assessment 2021	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Officer Comments 2021	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Guideline Comments 2021	-
Policy RAG Rating 2025	-
Policy Officer Comment 2025	-
Policy RAG Rating 2023	Green
Policy Officer Comment 2023	Site is not on protected open space designation. Any impact of the proposed development could be reasonably mitigated or compensated.
Policy RAG Rating 2021	-
Policy Officer Comments 2021	-
Historic Environment RAG Assessment 2025	-
Historic Environment Comments 2025	-
Historic Environment RAG Assessment 2023	Amber
Historic Environment Comments 2023	Development of the site through upgrading existing buildings would have either a neutral or positive impact on this part of the Castle and Victoria Road Conservation Area. Development has the potential to have a detrimental impact on Scheduled Monument adjacent to site, some designated and non-designated heritage assets or their setting located around site boundary depending on proposals, but impact could be mitigated.
Historic Environment RAG Assessment 2021	-
Historic Environment Comments 2021	-
Archaeology RAG Assessment 2025	-
Archaeology Officer Comment 2025	-
Archaeology RAG Assessment 2023	Amber
Archaeology Officer Comment 2023	Extensive, stratified deposits of the Roman and medieval settlement, including the castle, and the Victorian prison are known in the area. Development would also have to take account of the scheduled remains of the Castle and Civil War earthworks.
Archaeology RAG Assessment 2021	-
Archaeology Officer Comment 2021	-

Accessibility RAG Assessment 2025 - Automated	Green
Accessibility RAG Assessment 2025 - Officer Verified	-
Accessibility Comment 2025	Good accessibility to key local services, transport, and employment opportunities. Proposed development would not require delivery of accompanying key services
Site Access RAG Assessment 2025	-
Site Access Officer Comment 2025	-
Site Access RAG Assessment 2023	Amber
Site Access Officer Comment 2023	The proposed site is acceptable in principle subject to detailed design.
Site Access RAG Assessment 2021	-
Site Access Officer Comment 2021	-
Transport and Roads RAG Assessment 2025	-
Transport and Roads Guideline Comments 2025	-
Transport and Roads RAG Assessment 2023	Amber
Transport and Roads Guideline Comments 2023	Localised non motorised user improvements to link into existing non motorised user facilities will be required and a robust Travel Plan.
Transport and Roads RAG Assessment 2021	-
Transport and Roads Guideline Comments 2021	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution RAG Assessment 2025	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution Guideline Comments 2025	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution RAG Assessment 2023	Amber
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution Guideline Comments 2023	The site is capable of being redeveloped within its existing B1 use subject to appropriate detailed design considerations and mitigation
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution RAG Assessment 2021	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution Guideline Comments 2021	-

AQMA RAG Assessment 2025	-
Air Quality Officer Comment 2025	-
AQMA RAG Assessment 2023	Amber
Air Quality Officer Comment 2023	Site located inside AQMA and will require inherent / intrinsic designed in Air Quality mitigation
AQMA RAG Assessment 2021	-
Air Quality Officer Comment 2021	-
Contaminated Land RAG Assessment 2025	-
Contaminated Land Officer Comments 2025	-
Contaminated Land RAG Assessment 2023	Amber
Contaminated Land Officer Comments 2023	This is a brownfield site where contamination is expected and planning conditions will be required.
Contaminated Land RAG Assessment 2021	-
Contaminated Land Officer Comments 2021	-
Overall Suitability Score	Amber
Further constraints	-
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 1	0
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 2	0
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 3	0
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 4	0
Agricultural Land Classification Non Agricultural	0
Agricultural Land Classification Urban	100
Source Protection Zone	0
Highways England Zones	Cambridge
Available	-
Is the site controlled by a developer or landowner who has expressed an intention to develop?	The site was submitted by the landowner and/or site promoter who has confirmed that the site is available for development in the timescales indicated.
Are there known legal or ownership impediments to development?	No

Is there planning permission to develop the site?	Yes, planning permission granted for a single storey front extension to provide cafe with roof terrace at Poseidon House, Castle Park (23/04200/FUL). Planning permission granted for three storey front and rear extensions, alterations to the office building, replacement cycle store, new plant compound and installation of EV charging points at Babbage House, Castle Park (20/04969/FUL).
When will the site be available for development?	0-5 Years
Available RAG	Green
Achievable	-
Is there a reasonable prospect that the site will be developed?	The land has been promoted by the landowner and or developer and is known to be available for development. The site has a low existing use value and non-residential development is likely to be economically viable at an appropriate density.
Achievable RAG	Green
Capacity	-
Prevailing Density (weighted) (dwellings per ha)	30
Residential capacity at prevailing density	34
Estimated employment space (m2)	0
Estimated start date	0-5 Years
Estimated annual build-out rate (pa)	-
Development completion timescales (years)	0-5 Years

Gusto Mill, Huntingdon Road, Cambridge assessment



A map of Gusto Mill, Huntingdon Road, Cambridge

Site information	-
Site ID	116085
HELAA Site ID	200847
Suitable Site Area (ha)	0.89894801845729
Ward/Parish	Castle
Greenfield or Previously Developed?	Greenfield, Previously developed land
Category of site	Densification of existing urban areas
Category of settlement	Cambridge City
Current use(s)	Commercial / Industrial, Residential
Proposed development	Residential
Proposed employment floorspace (m2)	0
Proposed residential capacity	12- 15
Suitability	-
Adopted Development Plan Policies RAG 2025	Green

Adopted Development Plan Policies Comment 2025	Development of the site is compatible and consistent with Development Plan policies and allocation.
Flood Risk RAG Assessment 2025	Amber
Flood Risk Officer Comment 2025	Flood zone: Wholly in Flood Zone 1; Surface water flooding: 13% lies in a 1 in 30 year event, 6% lies in a 1 in 100 year event and 8% lies in a 1 in 1000 year event
Flood Risk RAG Assessment 2023	-
Flood Risk Officer Comment 2023	-
Flood Risk RAG Assessment 2021	-
Flood Risk Officer Comment 2021	-
Landscape RAG Assessment 2025	Amber
Landscape Comment 2025	The site is primarily constrained by its long and narrow profile, access width constraint and adjacency to the Green Belt. Development on this site will need to ensure that there is appropriate space available for external amenity, tree planting, and parking. Links to adjacent open spaces would be beneficial for the site's design.
Landscape RAG Assessment 2023	-
Landscape Comment 2023	-
Landscape RAG Assessment 2021	-
Landscape Comment 2021	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity RAG Assessment 2025	Amber
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Officer Comments 2025	A development of the size and scale described would likely meet the criteria set out by Natural England that would raise concerns regarding impacts to statutory protected sites, as Traveller's Rest Pit SSSI lies within 200m of the site. A development of the type described would likely be eligible for mandatory biodiversity net gain.
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Guideline Comments 2025	Development of the site may have a detrimental impact on a designated site, or those with a regional or local protection, but the impact could be reasonably mitigated or compensated.
Biodiversity and Geodiversity RAG Assessment 2023	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Officer Comments 2023	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Guideline Comments 2023	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity RAG Assessment 2021	-

Biodiversity and Geodiversity Officer Comments 2021	-
Biodiversity and Geodiversity Guideline Comments 2021	-
Policy RAG Rating 2025	Green
Policy Officer Comment 2025	Site is not on protected open space designation. Any impact of the proposed development could be reasonably mitigated or compensated.
Policy RAG Rating 2023	-
Policy Officer Comment 2023	-
Policy RAG Rating 2021	-
Policy Officer Comments 2021	-
Historic Environment RAG Assessment 2025	Green
Historic Environment Comments 2025	Development of the site would have either a neutral or positive impact, but importantly not have a detrimental impact on any designated or non-designated heritage assets.
Historic Environment RAG Assessment 2023	-
Historic Environment Comments 2023	-
Historic Environment RAG Assessment 2021	-
Historic Environment Comments 2021	-
Archaeology RAG Assessment 2025	Green
Archaeology Officer Comment 2025	The site was quarried for gravel in the early 20th century, which will have removed any archaeology in the area.
Archaeology RAG Assessment 2023	-
Archaeology Officer Comment 2023	-
Archaeology RAG Assessment 2021	-
Archaeology Officer Comment 2021	-
Accessibility RAG Assessment 2025 - Automated	Green
Accessibility RAG Assessment 2025 - Officer Verified	-
Accessibility Comment 2025	Good accessibility to key local services, transport, and employment opportunities. Proposed development would not require delivery of accompanying key services

Site Access RAG Assessment 2025	Red
Site Access Officer Comment 2025	The site has been scored as Red. The proposed vehicular access into the site from the adopted public highway is unsuitable to serve the number of units and type of development proposed.
Site Access RAG Assessment 2023	-
Site Access Officer Comment 2023	-
Site Access RAG Assessment 2021	-
Site Access Officer Comment 2021	-
Transport and Roads RAG Assessment 2025	Green
Transport and Roads Guideline Comments 2025	This falls below the threshold for a Transport Assessment.
Transport and Roads RAG Assessment 2023	-
Transport and Roads Guideline Comments 2023	-
Transport and Roads RAG Assessment 2021	-
Transport and Roads Guideline Comments 2021	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution RAG Assessment 2025	Green
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution Guideline Comments 2025	Having regard to the nature, size, scale, location and character of the area, considered a negligible / low adverse noise constraint impact / effect risk on proposed residential occupiers having regard to existing noise sources - no objection. Demolition and construction impacts and potential operational noise for example Air Source Heat Pump/s (ASHP/s) etc. a constraint but manageable via conditions.
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution RAG Assessment 2023	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution Guideline Comments 2023	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution RAG Assessment 2021	-
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution Guideline Comments 2021	-
AQMA RAG Assessment 2025	Amber

Air Quality Officer Comment 2025	The site has been scored as Amber. The site falls outside the Air Quality Management Area (AQMA). However, due to the scale of the site, the number of units proposed and the location, air quality mitigation measures and conditions may be necessary to offset impacts on designated AQMAs.
AQMA RAG Assessment 2023	-
Air Quality Officer Comment 2023	-
AQMA RAG Assessment 2021	-
Air Quality Officer Comment 2021	-
Contaminated Land RAG Assessment 2025	Amber
Contaminated Land Officer Comments 2025	Brownfield site, contamination expected, conditions required
Contaminated Land RAG Assessment 2023	-
Contaminated Land Officer Comments 2023	-
Contaminated Land RAG Assessment 2021	-
Contaminated Land Officer Comments 2021	-
Overall Suitability Score	Red
Further constraints	-
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 1	0
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 2	65.55
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 3	0
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 4	0
Agricultural Land Classification Non Agricultural	0
Agricultural Land Classification Urban	34.45
Source Protection Zone	0
Highways England Zones	Cambridge
Available	-
Is the site controlled by a developer or landowner who has expressed an intention to develop?	The site was submitted by the landowner and/or site promoter who has confirmed that the site is available for development in the timescales indicated.
Are there known legal or ownership impediments to development?	No

Is there planning permission to develop the site?	Yes, Planning permission granted for reserved Matters approval for outline planning permission 11/1114/OUT as varied by ref:13/1402/S73 (160 dwellings). (22/04989/REM), Planning permission granted for temporary storage of topsoil, the retention of a temporary security fence and a temporary access road and lighting for a period of 10 years. (24/01152/FUL), Application pending for demolition of existing structures and construction of extra care apartments (Class C2). (24/02324/FUL)
When will the site be available for development?	0 to 5 years
Available RAG	Amber
Achievable	-
Is there a reasonable prospect that the site will be developed?	The land has been promoted by the landowner and or developer and is known to be available for development. The site has a low existing use value and development is likely to be economically viable
Achievable RAG	Green
Capacity	-
Prevailing Density (weighted) (dwellings per ha)	30
Residential capacity at prevailing density	26
Estimated employment space (m2)	0
Estimated start date	0-5 Years
Estimated annual build-out rate (pa)	40-75
Development completion timescales (years)	0-5 Years