

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	The proposed site will be affected by road traffic noise from nearby main roads 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	Green
Air Quality Officer Comment 2021	Site does not lie within an AQMA. Minimal traffic impact on AQMA.
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	Potential for historic contamination, conditions required.
Overall Suitability Score	Red
Further constraints	-
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 1	0
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 2	0.58
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 3	0
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 4	0
Agricultural Land Classification Non Agricultural	0
Agricultural Land Classification Urban	99.42
Source Protection Zone	0
Highways England Zones	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 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	126
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 at Beach Road, Cottenham assessment



A map of Land at Beach Road, Cottenham

Site information	-
Site ID	115464
HELAA Site ID	40377
Suitable Site Area (ha)	2.18913663744789
Ward/Parish	Cottenham
Greenfield or Previously Developed?	Greenfield
Category of site	Dispersal: Villages
Category of settlement	Within or adjacent to Rural Centre
Current use(s)	-
Proposed development	Residential
Proposed employment floorspace (m2)	0
Proposed residential capacity	50
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. 3% lies in a 1 in 100 year event. 19% 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	Red
Landscape Comment 2021	Development would cause the loss of a small orchard, however, development would be suitable along this corridor and begin to alter the character of Beach Road. The light industrial and farm sites along Beach Road with large gaps of trees, hedges and fields which aid in transitioning the development framework of Cottenham to the countryside.
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	Discharge to surface or ground water of more than 20m <sup>3</sup> per day would require consultation with Natural England. Mature trees, watercourse to north and boundary hedgerows may qualify as Habitats of Principal Importance/be of high ecological value. Appears to be plantation woodland within site. Otherwise habitats may be of low ecological importance although may support farmland bird populations. Watercourse may support protected species e.g. water vole.
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	Red
Policy Officer Comments 2021	Site is located on protected open space (Protected Village Amenity Area). Development on protected open space is not acceptable in principle.
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	Potential impact to setting of Conservation Area given its close proximity. Development of the site could have a detrimental impact on a designated or non-designated heritage asset or the setting of a designated or non-designated heritage asset, but the impact could 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	Saxon and medieval settlement is recorded to the immediate north
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	The site is capable of being developed to provide healthy internal and external environments in regard to noise / vibration/ odour/ Light Pollution after careful site layout, design and mitigation.
AQMA RAG Assessment 2025	-
Air Quality Officer Comment 2025	-

AQMA RAG Assessment 2023	-
Air Quality Officer Comment 2023	-
AQMA RAG Assessment 2021	Green
Air Quality Officer Comment 2021	Site does not lie within an AQMA. Minimal traffic impact on AQMA.
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	Previous agricultural land use. Potential for historic contamination, 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	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	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 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

## 60 Beach Road, Cottenham assessment



A map of 60 Beach Road, Cottenham

Site information	-
Site ID	115465
HELAA Site ID	44398
Suitable Site Area (ha)	0.976549772095708
Ward/Parish	Cottenham
Greenfield or Previously Developed?	Greenfield
Category of site	Dispersal: Villages
Category of settlement	Not within or adjacent to an existing settlement
Current use(s)	-
Proposed development	Residential
Proposed employment floorspace (m2)	0
Proposed residential capacity	10
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. 9% lies in a 1 in 100 year event. 11% 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 upon this site would have a significant adverse impact upon the landscape character and the village edge views as outlined within the Neighbourhood Development Plan. Residential units would be incongruous, not reflect the existing settlement pattern, impact the valued village edge views and an encroachment into the landscape. Even with a significant reduction in residential units landscape mitigation is unlikely to reduce adverse impacts.
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	Discharge to surface or ground water of more than 20m <sup>3</sup> /day will require consultation with Natural England. Otherwise, unlikely to impact on designated sites. Grassland/habitat quality will need to be assessed. Boundary features e.g. hedgerows may qualify as Habitats of Principal Importance/be of high ecological value and may support protected or notable species. Buildings may support roosting bats (if suitable).
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	Amber
Archaeology Officer Comment 2021	Located within the extent of the Saxon and medieval extent of the village
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	The proposed site will be affected by road traffic noise from nearby main roads 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	Green
Air Quality Officer Comment 2021	Site does not lie within an AQMA. Minimal traffic impact on AQMA.
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	Potential for historic contamination, 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	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	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 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	28
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 at Beach Road, Cottenham assessment



A map of Land at Beach Road, Cottenham

Site information	-
Site ID	115466
HELAA Site ID	40251
Suitable Site Area (ha)	2.36418984215008
Ward/Parish	Cottenham
Greenfield or Previously Developed?	Greenfield
Category of site	Dispersal: Villages
Category of settlement	Within or adjacent to Rural Centre
Current use(s)	-
Proposed development	Residential
Proposed employment floorspace (m2)	0
Proposed residential capacity	50
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. 4% lies in a 1 in 100 year event. 18% 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	Development of this site would continue village edge extensions along Beach Road similar in fashion to all the approach roads of Cottenham. There are some open views to the northeast and southeast. The enclosed nature of the site means that visibility is often interrupted by intervening vegetation from any long distance viewpoints. Landscape mitigation required to filter views.
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	Consultation with Natural England unlikely to be required unless discharge to ground or surface water is required. No other designated sites nearby. Boundary habitats including hedgerows, drains and mature trees may qualify as priority habitats/Habitats of Principal Importance, be of ecological value and support protected or notable species. These could be retained. Arable habitats likely of low ecological value.
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. 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	Amber
Archaeology Officer Comment 2021	Saxon and medieval settlement is recorded to the immediate north
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	The site is capable of being developed to provide healthy internal and external environments in regard to noise / vibration/ odour/ Light Pollution after careful site layout, design and mitigation.
AQMA RAG Assessment 2025	-
Air Quality Officer Comment 2025	-
AQMA RAG Assessment 2023	-
Air Quality Officer Comment 2023	-

AQMA RAG Assessment 2021	Green
Air Quality Officer Comment 2021	Site does not lie within an AQMA. Minimal traffic impact on AQMA.
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	Potential for historic contamination, conditions required.
Overall Suitability Score	Amber
Further constraints	-
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 1	63.14
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	36.86
Source Protection Zone	0
Highways England Zones	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 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	57
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 east of Shortacre Works, Stagwood House, Beach Road, Cottenham assessment



A map of Land east of Shortacre Works, Stagwood House, Beach Road, Cottenham

Site information	-
Site ID	115467
HELAA Site ID	51650
Suitable Site Area (ha)	2.8516187450049
Ward/Parish	Cottenham
Greenfield or Previously Developed?	Greenfield
Category of site	Dispersal: Villages
Category of settlement	Not within or adjacent to an existing settlement
Current use(s)	-
Proposed development	Non-Residential
Proposed employment floorspace (m2)	10000
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: 1% lies in a 1 in 30 year event. 1% 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 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	The site is well outside of the Development Framework Boundary and therefore mainly considered to be in the countryside. The village approaches are valued as part of the character of Cottenham. The site falls beyond the boundary of the existing adjacent commercial plot and further out into the countryside. Due to the presence of potential development so far out of the settled part of the village and the impact on the NCA it is considered impacts would be significant.
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	Discharge to surface or ground water of more than 20m <sup>3</sup> per day would require consultation with Natural England. Boundary hedgerows and orchard may qualify as Habitats of Principal Importance/be of high ecological value and should be retained in the first instance. Arable habitats likely to be of low ecological importance, but may support farmland bird populations. Applications may find provision of a 10% net gain in biodiversity difficult within their red line 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	Amber
Archaeology Officer Comment 2021	Located in a landscape of extensive late prehistoric and Roman activity

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Accessibility Comment 2025	Adequate accessibility to key local services, transport, and employment opportunities.
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Site Access Officer Comment 2025	-
Site Access RAG Assessment 2023	-
Site Access Officer Comment 2023	-
Site Access RAG Assessment 2021	Amber
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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	Green
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution Guideline Comments 2021	The site is capable of being developed to provide healthy internal and external environments in regard to noise / vibration/ odour/ Light Pollution after careful site layout, design and mitigation.

AQMA RAG Assessment 2025	-
Air Quality Officer Comment 2025	-
AQMA RAG Assessment 2023	-
Air Quality Officer Comment 2023	-
AQMA RAG Assessment 2021	Green
Air Quality Officer Comment 2021	Not suggested for residential use therefore likely low traffic impact on AQMA
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	Non- residential use proposed.
Overall Suitability Score	Red
Further constraints	-
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 1	100
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	0
Source Protection Zone	0
Highways England Zones	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 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	68
Estimated employment space (m2)	10000
Estimated start date	0-5 Years
Estimated annual build-out rate (pa)	-
Development completion timescales (years)	0-5 Years

## Dataracks, Stagwood House, Beach Road, Cottenham assessment



A map of Dataracks, Stagwood House, Beach Road, Cottenham

Site information	-
Site ID	115468
HELAA Site ID	40556
Suitable Site Area (ha)	3.63938430514672
Ward/Parish	Cottenham
Greenfield or Previously Developed?	Greenfield and Previously Developed Land
Category of site	Dispersal: Villages
Category of settlement	Not within or adjacent to an existing settlement
Current use(s)	-
Proposed development	Non-Residential
Proposed employment floorspace (m2)	12000
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: 1% 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	Green
Flood Risk Officer Comment 2021	The site is at low risk of flooding (within flood zone 1) and no 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	<p>Views towards this site from around are available and open, however, views into the site are not possible due to the surrounding boundary vegetation. The site is isolated about 0.5km away from the edge of the village.</p> <p>The proposed B1/B2 uses are potentially suitable however, will be dependent to some extent on non-sustainable transport options. Equally, the isolation of the site must be taken into consideration for suitability for further development.</p> <p>Boundaries will be required to maintain and strengthen buffer plantings and sufficient space should also be reserved within the site for large species trees to be planted.</p>
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 agricultural/industrial development that could cause air pollution, any general combustion processes above 50MW input, and any discharge of water or liquid waste of more than 20m <sup>3</sup> to ground a day may require Natural England consultation. 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 offsite 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 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	Amber
Archaeology Officer Comment 2021	Roman and medieval archaeology is recorded in the vicinity

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	Red
Transport and Roads Guideline Comments 2021	Transport Assessment and Travel Plan required.
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 site is capable of being developed to provide healthy internal and external environments in regard to noise / vibration/ odour/ Light Pollution after careful site layout, design and mitigation.

AQMA RAG Assessment 2025	-
Air Quality Officer Comment 2025	-
AQMA RAG Assessment 2023	-
Air Quality Officer Comment 2023	-
AQMA RAG Assessment 2021	Green
Air Quality Officer Comment 2021	Not suggested for residential use therefore likely low traffic impact on AQMA
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	Mostly agricultural, small area of commercial use, minor contamination expected, conditions required
Overall Suitability Score	Red
Further constraints	-
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 1	100
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	0
Source Protection Zone	0
Highways England Zones	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 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	87
Estimated employment space (m2)	12000
Estimated start date	0-5 Years
Estimated annual build-out rate (pa)	-
Development completion timescales (years)	0-5 Years

## Land off Short Drove, Cottenham assessment



A map of Land off Short Drove, Cottenham

Site information	-
Site ID	115469
HELAA Site ID	51619
Suitable Site Area (ha)	2.45289438931055
Ward/Parish	Cottenham
Greenfield or Previously Developed?	Greenfield
Category of site	Dispersal: Villages
Category of settlement	Not within or adjacent to an existing settlement
Current use(s)	-
Proposed development	Residential
Proposed employment floorspace (m2)	0
Proposed residential capacity	45
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: 2% 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	Green
Flood Risk Officer Comment 2021	The site is at low risk of flooding (within flood zone 1) and no risk from surface water flooding
Landscape RAG Assessment 2025	-
Landscape Comment 2025	-
Landscape RAG Assessment 2023	-
Landscape Comment 2023	-
Landscape RAG Assessment 2021	Red
Landscape Comment 2021	The site is in a rural location outside the settlement framework and within the Green Belt. Development upon this site would have a significant adverse impact upon the landscape character and village edge views. Residential units would be incongruous, not reflect the existing settlement pattern, impact the valued village edge views and represent an encroachment into the landscape. Even with a significant reduction in residential units, landscape mitigation is unlikely to reduce adverse impacts and the measures themselves would appear inconsistent with the surrounding landscape character.
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	Discharge to surface or ground water of more than 20m <sup>3</sup> per day would require consultation with Natural England. Boundary drain and hedgerows may qualify as Habitats of Principal Importance/be of high ecological value. Arable habitats may be of low ecological importance, but may support farmland bird populations.
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	Amber
Archaeology Officer Comment 2021	Located within the extent of the Saxon and medieval extent of the village
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	Red
Site Access Officer Comment 2021	The proposed site does not to have a direct link to the adopted public highway.
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	Green
Noise, Vibration, Odour and Light Pollution Guideline Comments 2021	The site is capable of being developed to provide healthy internal and external environments in regard to noise / vibration/ odour/ Light Pollution after careful site layout, design and mitigation.
AQMA RAG Assessment 2025	-
Air Quality Officer Comment 2025	-
AQMA RAG Assessment 2023	-

Air Quality Officer Comment 2023	-
AQMA RAG Assessment 2021	Green
Air Quality Officer Comment 2021	Site does not lie within an AQMA. Minimal traffic impact on AQMA.
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	Previous agricultural land use. Potential for historic contamination, conditions required.
Overall Suitability Score	Red
Further constraints	-
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 1	98.84
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	1.16
Source Protection Zone	0
Highways England Zones	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 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)	0
Estimated start date	0-5 Years
Estimated annual build-out rate (pa)	40-75
Development completion timescales (years)	0-5 Years

## Land to the west of Beach Road, Cottenham assessment



A map of Land to the west of Beach Road, Cottenham

Site information	-
Site ID	115470
HELAA Site ID	51530
Suitable Site Area (ha)	13.3483977856028
Ward/Parish	Cottenham
Greenfield or Previously Developed?	Greenfield
Category of site	Dispersal: Villages
Category of settlement	Within or adjacent to Rural Centre
Current use(s)	-
Proposed development	Residential
Proposed employment floorspace (m2)	0
Proposed residential capacity	300
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. 4% lies in a 1 in 100 year event. 10% 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	The site is outside and abutting the settlement framework. Development upon this site would have a significant adverse impact upon the landscape character and the village edge views as outlined within the Neighbourhood Development Plan. Residential units would be incongruous, not reflect the existing settlement pattern, impact the valued village edge views and an encroachment into the landscape. Even with a significant reduction in residential units landscape mitigation is unlikely to reduce adverse impacts and the measures themselves would appear inconsistent with the surrounding landscape character.
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	Discharge to surface or ground water of more than 20m <sup>3</sup> /day would require consultation with Natural England. Mature trees, orchard/woodland, watercourses/drains and boundary hedgerows may qualify as Habitats of Principal Importance/be of high ecological value. Grassland quality will need to be assessed. Arable habitats may be of low ecological importance and may support farmland bird populations. Buildings may support roosting bats (if suitable). Watercourses may support protected species such as water vole. Applications may find provision of a 10% net gain in biodiversity difficult within their red line boundaries and may need to find off-site compensation to comply with up-coming National legislation and developing local policies, although a small number of units may be accommodated in less ecologically valuable habitats.
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 a 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	Amber
Historic Environment Comments 2021	The Conservation Area boundary is to the north of the site and any development will need to be appropriate in design, scale and massing to ensure the setting of the Conservation Area is not detrimentally affected.
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 within the extent of the Saxon and medieval extent of the village
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	-
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	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 nearby main roads 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	Reasonably large site and lots of residential units - potential for AQMA traffic impact without 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	Previous agricultural land use. Potential for historic contamination, conditions required.
Overall Suitability Score	Red
Further constraints	-
Agricultural Land Classification Grade 1	55.17
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	44.83
Source Protection Zone	0
Highways England Zones	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?	6-10 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	200
Estimated employment space (m2)	0
Estimated start date	6-10 Years
Estimated annual build-out rate (pa)	50
Development completion timescales (years)	11-15 Years

## Land at Beach Road, Cottenham assessment



A map of Land at Beach Road, Cottenham

Site information	-
Site ID	115471
HELAA Site ID	48095
Suitable Site Area (ha)	12.9506245781505
Ward/Parish	Cottenham
Greenfield or Previously Developed?	Greenfield
Category of site	Dispersal: Villages
Category of settlement	Within or adjacent to Rural Centre
Current use(s)	-
Proposed development	Residential
Proposed employment floorspace (m2)	0
Proposed residential capacity	10
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. 4% lies in a 1 in 100 year event. 10% 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	The site is in a rural location abutting and outside the settlement framework. Development upon this site would have a significant adverse impact upon the landscape character and the village edge views as outlined within the Neighbourhood Development Plan. Residential units would be incongruous, not reflect the existing settlement pattern, impact the valued village edge views and an encroachment into the landscape. Even with a significant reduction in residential units landscape mitigation is unlikely to reduce adverse impacts and the measures themselves would appear inconsistent with the surrounding landscape character.
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	Discharge to surface or ground water of more than 20m <sup>3</sup> /per day would require consultation with Natural England. Mature trees, orchard/woodland, watercourses/drains and boundary hedgerows may qualify as Habitats of Principal Importance/be of high ecological value. Grassland quality will need to be assessed. Arable habitats may be of low ecological importance, but may support farmland bird populations. Buildings may support roosting bats (if suitable). Watercourses may support protected species such as water vole. Applications may find provision of a 10% net gain in biodiversity difficult within their red line boundaries and may need to find off-site compensation to comply with up-coming National legislation and developing local policies, although small number of units may be accommodated in less ecologically valuable habitats.
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	Amber
Historic Environment Comments 2021	Development of the site could have a detrimental impact on the setting of the conservation area. The site abuts the conservation area and the rural outlook at this point is part of its character. The level of impact is dependent on the scale, design and layout.
Archaeology RAG Assessment 2025	-
Archaeology Officer Comment 2025	-
Archaeology RAG Assessment 2023	-