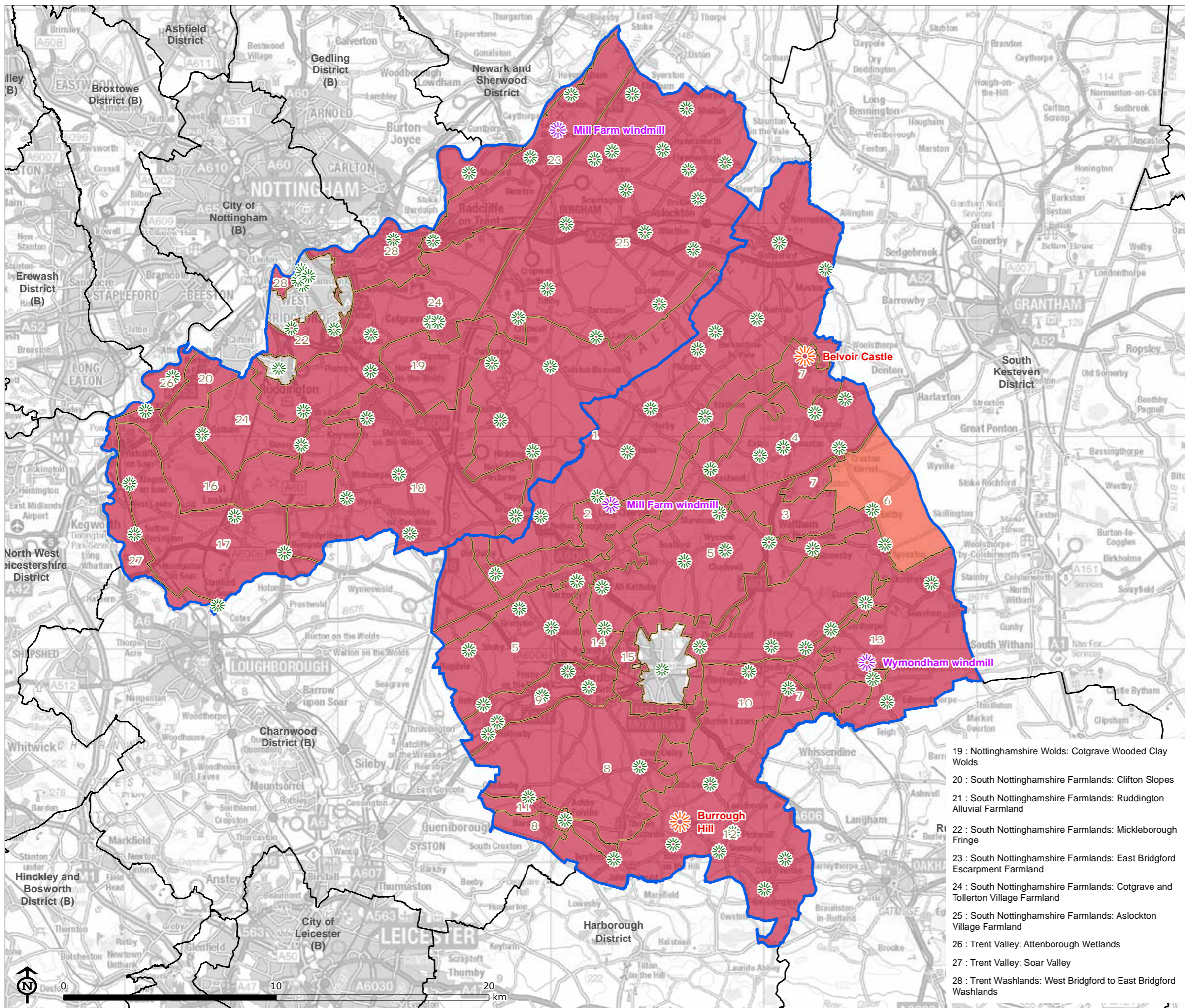


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Figure 8.5:
Landscape Sensitivity to
Turbines 111 to 150 m



Melton and Rushcliffe Borough Councils

Surrounding authorities

Primary landmark

Secondary landmark

Secondary landmark (Church spires & towers)

Sensitivity

Low

Low-Medium

Medium

Medium-High

High

Landscape Character Assessment Unit

- 1 : Vale of Belvoir
- 2 : The Leicestershire Wolds: Belvoir Scarp
- 3 : The Leicestershire Wolds: Dalby to Belvoir Wolds
- 4 : The Leicestershire Wolds: Knipton Bowl
- 5 : The Leicestershire Wolds: Ragdale to Saltby Wolds
- 6 : Kesteven Uplands: Saltby and Sproxtton Limestone Edge
- 7 : The Leicestershire Wolds: Belvoir, Stapleford and Croxton Parkland
- 8 : High Leicestershire Hills: Great Dalby and Gaddesby Pastoral Farmland
- 9 : The Leicestershire Wolds: Wreake Valley
- 10 : The Leicestershire Wolds: Eye Valley
- 11 : High Leicestershire Hills: Gaddesby Valley
- 12 : High Leicestershire Hills: Burrough Hills
- 13 : The Leicestershire Wolds: Freeby, Buckminster and Wymondham Farmland
- 14 : The Leicestershire Wolds: Asfordby Quarry
- 15 : The Leicestershire Wolds: Melton Farmland Fringe
- 16 : Nottinghamshire Wolds: Gotham and West Leake Wooded Hills and Scarps
- 17 : Nottinghamshire Wolds: East Leake Rolling Farmland
- 18 : Nottinghamshire Wolds: Widmerpool Clay Wolds
- 19 : Nottinghamshire Wolds: Cotgrave Wooded Clay Wolds
- 20 : South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Clifton Slopes
- 21 : South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Ruddington Alluvial Farmland
- 22 : South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Mickleborough Fringe
- 23 : South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: East Bridgford Escarpment Farmland
- 24 : South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Cotgrave and Tollerton Village Farmland
- 25 : South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Aslockton Village Farmland
- 26 : Trent Valley: Attenborough Wetlands
- 27 : Trent Valley: Soar Valley
- 28 : Trent Washlands: West Bridgford to East Bridgford Washlands

Map Scale @ A3: 1:175,000



Table 8.1: Summary of landscape sensitivity results by Landscape Character Unit

Landscape Character Unit (LCU)		Turbine Height Categories (metres to tip) and Sensitivity Ratings				
		<25m	26-50m	51-75m	76-110m	111-150m
Melton Borough						
1	Vale of Belvoir (includes part within Melton and part within Rushcliffe)	L-M	M	M-H	H	H
2	Leicestershire Wolds: Belvoir Scarp	M-H	H	H	H	H
3	Leicestershire Wolds: Dalby to Belvoir Wolds	L-M	M	M-H	M-H	H
4	Leicestershire Wolds: Knipton Bowl	M	M-H	H	H	H
5	Leicestershire Wolds: Ragdale to Saltby Wolds	L	M	M-H	M-H	H
6	Kesteven Uplands: Saltby and Sproxton Limestone Edge	L	L	L-M	M	M-H
7	Leicestershire Wolds: Belvoir and Croxton Parkland	M-H	H	H	H	H
8	High Leicestershire Hills: Great Dalby and Gaddesby Pastoral Farmland	L	L-M	M	M-H	H
9	Leicestershire Wolds: Wreake Valley	L-M	M	M-H	H	H
10	Leicestershire Wolds: Eye Valley	L-M	M	M-H	H	H
11	High Leicestershire Hills: Gaddesby Valley	L-M	M	M-H	H	H
12	High Leicestershire Hills: Burrough Hills	M	M-H	H	H	H
13	Leicestershire Wolds: Buckminster, Wymondham and Freeby Farmland	L	L-M	M	M-H	H
14	Leicestershire Wolds: Asfordby Quarry	L	L-M	M	M-H	H
15	Leicestershire Wolds: Melton Farmland Fringe	L	L-M	M	M-H	H
18	Nottinghamshire Wolds: Widmerpool Clay Wolds (includes part within Melton and part within Rushcliffe)	L-M	M	M	M-H	H

Landscape Character Unit (LCU)		Turbine Height Categories (metres to tip) and Sensitivity Ratings				
		<25m	26-50m	51-75m	76-110m	111-150m
Rushcliffe Borough						
1	Vale of Belvoir (includes part within Melton and part within Rushcliffe)	L-M	M	M-H	H	H
16	Nottinghamshire Wolds: Gotham and West Leake Wooded Hills and Scarps	L-M	M	M-H	H	H
17	Nottinghamshire Wolds: East Leake Rolling Farmland	L-M	M	M-H	H	H
18	Nottinghamshire Wolds: Widmerpool Clay Wolds (includes part within Melton and part within Rushcliffe)	L-M	M	M	M-H	H
19	Nottinghamshire Wolds: Cotgrave Wooded Clay Wolds	L-M	M	M-H	M-H	H
20	South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Clifton Slopes	L-M	M	M-H	M-H	H
21	South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Ruddington Alluvial Farmland	L	L-M	M	M-H	H
22	South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Mickleborough Fringe	L	L-M	M	M-H	H
23	South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: East Bridgford Escarpment Farmland	L	L-M	M	M-H	H
24	South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Cotgrave and Tollerton Village Farmland	L	L-M	M	M-H	H
25	South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Aslockton Village Farmland	L	L-M	M	M-H	H
26	Trent Valley: Attenborough Wetlands	L	L-M	M	M-H	H
27	Trent Valley: Soar Valley	L-M	M	M-H	H	H
28	Trent Washlands: West Bridgford to East Bridgford Washlands	L	L-M	M	M-H	H

Policy recommendations

- 8.10 Policies will need to provide an adequate framework for ensuring landscape character is considered in all development proposals.
- 8.11 In the case of wind energy, future policies should make reference to the information contained within the Landscape Sensitivity Study as a material consideration for future applications for wind energy schemes (a cross reference to the report could be included in policies).
- 8.12 In developing local plan policy some overall recommendations include:
- Using the results of the landscape sensitivity study to guide development to the least sensitive parts of the district's landscape, whilst thoroughly responding to the detailed guidance in the individual assessments (as indicated by the comparative sensitivities of Landscape Character Units and the individual LCU assessments).
 - Avoiding significant harm to the key characteristics of a Landscape Character Unit whilst accepting that some change might be required in order to accommodate renewable energy generation.
 - Maintaining the diversity of landscapes (i.e. ensuring that the design of any scheme responds to landscape character and local distinctiveness).
 - Allowing continued experience of the (sometimes strongly) rural character of the landscape in-between wind energy developments.

Appendix 1 Glossary

AOD	Above Ordnance Datum (sea level).
Characteristic	And element or combination of elements of the landscape that contribute to distinctive landscape character, for instance a particular hedgerow pattern or sense of tranquillity.
DPZ	Draft Policy Zones (character areas identified in the Nottinghamshire Landscape Character Assessment).
HLC	Historic Landscape Characterisation. This is the identification and evaluation of the landscape according to the history of its elements.
Landscape capacity	'Landscape capacity is the degree to which a particular landscape character type or area is able to accommodate change without significant effects on its character, or overall change of landscape character type.' (as defined by Countryside Agency and Scottish Natural Heritage (2002) 'Landscape Character Assessment - Guidance for England and Scotland', prepared by Swanwick C and LUC).
Landscape character	The distinct, recognisable and consistent pattern of elements that occur in a particular landscape and how these are perceived. It reflects particular combinations of geology, landform, soils, vegetation, land use and human settlement.
Landscape Character Areas (LCAs)	Single unique areas sharing similar characteristics that are the discrete geographical area of a particular landscape type.
Landscape Character Assessment (LCA)	A study undertaken to identify and describe the character of the landscape. The process involves grouping smaller areas together to form landscape character areas or landscape character types based on similar characteristics.
Landscape character types (LCTs)	Distinct types of landscape that are relatively homogenous in character. They are generic in nature in that they may occur in different areas in different parts of the country, but share broadly similar combinations of geology, topography, drainage patterns, vegetation, historic land use and settlement pattern.
Landscape Character Unit (LCU)	Landscape Character Units are the assessment units created for the purposes of this study. They are based on the Landscape Character Areas from Melton's Landscape Character Assessment (2006) and the Draft Policy Zones (DPZs) from the Greater Nottingham Landscape Character Assessment (2009) - which covers Rushcliffe borough. These units describe single unique geographical areas of roughly equal sizes that share similar characteristics.
Landscape sensitivity	Landscape sensitivity is defined in this study as the extent to which the character of the landscape is susceptible to change as a result of wind energy development.
LCA	Landscape Character Area
LCT	Landscape Character Type
LCU	Landscape Character Unit
MBC	Melton Borough Council
NCA	National Character Area. National Character Areas are character areas across England, identified by Natural England.
NPPF	National Planning Policy Framework March 2012 (Department for Communities and Local Government)
RBC	Rushcliffe Borough Council
Skyline	The outline of a range of hills, ridge or group of buildings seen against the sky.

Appendix 2 Modifications to the Melton Borough and Rushcliffe Borough Landscape Classifications

In order to ensure the existing landscape classifications provide a baseline at an appropriate scale and resolution for the study, as well ensuring consistency across the landscape framework, existing published landscape character assessments covering the study area were reviewed in detail. Following this review and initial field work, it was considered appropriate to make small modifications to the landscape character classification for both Melton Borough and Rushcliffe Borough and adapt it for the purposes of the study.

The **Table 3.1** and **Table 3.2** in Section 3 of this report sets out the landscape character areas defined in the Melton Borough Landscape Character Assessment (2006) and The Greater Nottingham Landscape Character Assessment (2009) and their relationship to the NCAs.

Melton Borough Classification

Modifications to the landscape classification

The classification relating to the following areas has been modified by amalgamating them with other adjacent areas on the basis that they share characteristics and features which are of relevance when judging sensitivity to wind energy developments.

LCA7 Village Pastures

The multiple areas of LCA7 appear to comprise a landscape character type that reflects an area's proximity to a particular settlement, rather than being defined on the basis of its underlying landform, the scale and pattern of landcover or perceptual qualities. They have therefore been amalgamated into adjacent LCAs that share a similar topography, land cover and pattern.

LCA2 Bottesford

This LCA is a small area centred on the settlement of Bottesford which lies within the Vale of Belvoir. The area is described as "*a nucleated townscape, prominent within the Vale, and nearby village with surrounding pastures, streamsides and transport routes*"⁴¹. Although differentiated from the rest of the Vale of Belvoir in the 2006 Landscape Character Assessment, for the scale and focus of the sensitivity study it is appropriate to consider the area as part of the wider Vale of Belvoir. It has therefore been combined with LCA1 Vale of Belvoir to form the assessment unit (LCU) **Vale of Belvoir**. Any sensitivities specific to the settlement and its immediate surroundings will be noted in the assessment.

LCA16 Farmland Patchwork

Two areas of LCA16 Patchwork Farmland are identified in Melton, both occurring adjacent to the east of the study area boundary and adjacent to LCA17 Open Arable. LCA16 areas are characterised as "*A gently rolling lowland mixed farmland landscape with a distinct patchwork of small to medium scale regular shaped pastoral and arable fields with blocks of game cover and small woodlands*"⁴². Although there are some subtle differences between LCA16 and LCA17, there is broadly a consistency of character in terms of topography (both areas of Open Arable and Patchwork Farmland are underlain by boulder clay, typical of the wider Leicestershire Wolds, and are characterised by rolling hills and small sheltered valleys), field pattern and size, sense of openness, the nature of the skylines and the mixture of both arable and pastoral landuse. The two areas of Patchwork Farmland have therefore been amalgamated with the Open Farmland LCA for the purposes of this study and form part of the Landscape Character Unit **Leicestershire Wolds: Buckminster, Wymondham and Freeby Farmland**.

⁴¹ Melton Borough Landscape Character Assessment (2006), page 18

⁴² Melton Borough Landscape Character Assessment (2006), page 46

LCA17 Open Arable

The Open Arable LCA occurs in two geographical locations within the borough. The first is a large area located at the east of the Borough extending between the eastern edge of the borough boundary at Sewstern to Wymondham in the south and Freeby View Farm in the northwest. The second area is smaller and lies immediately south of the Eye valley, to the east of Burton Lazars, and is overlooked by the more elevated High Leicestershire Hills to the south.

The area to the east of Burton Lazars is, in contrast to the larger eastern area of rolling hills, a relatively flat and low-lying area of arable farmland, through which the Burton Brook and other tributaries of the River Eye flow. The area lies immediately to the south of LCA13 River Eye and shares a similar topography, which rises gently from the river valley, and pattern of large arable fields with occasional blocks of woodland. This area of LCA17 Open Arable has therefore been amalgamated into the **Eye Valley** Landscape Character Unit for the purposes of this assessment.

LCA 18 Traditional Pasture

The Traditional Pasture LCA is a small area which lies within the south of the study area adjacent to the High Leicestershire Hills LCA. The area shares similar characteristics with the LCA to the north in terms of topography and landcover pattern. It has therefore been combined with LCA15 High Leicestershire Hills to form the Landscape Character Unit **High Leicestershire Hills: Burrough Hills**.

Landscape Character Units adopted for the assessment

Table A1.1 below sets out the modified landscape classification for Melton that has been adopted for the sensitivity study. The original LCAs and their relationship to the Landscape Character Units are shown on **Figure A1**. Note that the original names of the Melton Landscape Character Areas have been amended to reflect their geographic location and a numbering system for all the units across the two boroughs introduced.

Table A1.1 Landscape Framework for Melton Borough

	Landscape Character Unit	Relationship to LCA as defined in the Melton Landscape Character Assessment
1	Vale of Belvoir	This area comprises LCA1 Vale of Belvoir , LCA2 Bottesford and the areas of Village Pastures that are located in the geographic area of the Vale.
2	The Leicestershire Wolds: Belvoir Scarp	LCA3 Wolds Scarp
3	The Leicestershire Wolds: Dalby to Belvoir Wolds	LCA4 Wolds Top
4	The Leicestershire Wolds: Knipton Bowl	LCA5 Kipton Bowl
5	The Leicestershire Wolds: Ragdale to Saltby Wolds	The area comprises LCA6 Ridge and Valley and two areas LCA7 Village Pastures (centred on Saxelby to the west and Salford and Waltham to the east).
6	Kesteven Uplands: Saltby and Sproxton Limestone Edge	LCA8 Limestone Edge
7	The Leicestershire Wolds: Belvoir and Croxton Parkland	LCA9 Parkland
8	High Leicestershire Hills: Great Dalby	LCA11 Pastoral Farmland and three areas

	Landscape Character Unit	Relationship to LCA as defined in the Melton Landscape Character Assessment
	and Gaddesby Pastoral Farmland	LCA7 Village Pastures (centred on the villages of Gaddesby, Great Dalby and Barsby)
9	The Leicestershire Wolds: Wreake Valley	LCA12 Wreake Valley
10	The Leicestershire Wolds: Eye Valley	LCA13 Eye Valley and an area of LCA17 Open Arable (the area occurring to the east of Burton Lazars/north of Little Dalby)
11	High Leicestershire Hills: Gaddesby Valley	LCA14 Gaddesby Valley
12	High Leicestershire Hills: Burrough Hills	LCA15 High Leicestershire Hills and LCA18 Traditional Pasture
13	The Leicestershire Wolds: Freeby, Buckminster and Wymondham Farmland	LCA 17 Open Arable and LCA16 Farmland Patchwork
14	The Leicestershire Wolds: Asfordby Quarry	LCA19 Ashfordby Quarry
15	The Leicestershire Wolds: Melton Farmland Fringe	LCA21 Melton Farmland Fringe

Rushcliffe Borough Classification

Modifications to the landscape classification

The classification relating to the following areas has been modified by amalgamating them with other adjacent areas on the basis that they share characteristics and features which are of relevance when judging sensitivity to wind energy developments.

Trent Washlands

A number of small Landscape Character Units occur at the northern extent of the study area, which share a largely flat and low-lying topography and mixed landcover centred on the River Trent. TW01 Trent Washlands: Gamston and Edwalton River Meadowlands, TW02 Trent Washlands: Polser Brook River Meadows, TW03 Trent Washlands: Holme Pierrepont and Bassingfield Village Farmlands, TW04 Trent Field River Meadowlands, TW07 Shelford Village Farmlands, TW51 Stoke Lock River Meadowlands and TW055 West Bridgford Recreational Fringe have been amalgamated into a single Landscape Character Unit, Trent Washlands: West Bridgford to East Bridgford Washlands.

Table A1.2 Landscape Framework for Rushcliffe Borough

	Landscape Character Unit	Relationship to LCA as defined in the Greater Nottingham Landscape Character Assessment
16	Nottinghamshire Wolds: Gotham and West Leake Wooded Hills and Scarps	NW1 Gotham and West Leake Wooded Hills and Scarps

	Landscape Character Unit	Relationship to LCA as defined in the Greater Nottingham Landscape Character Assessment
17	Nottinghamshire Wolds: East Leake Rolling Farmland	NW02 East Leake Rolling Farmland
18	Nottinghamshire Wolds: Widmerpool Clay Wolds	NW03 Widmerpool Clay Wolds and Mixed Farmland LCA as defined within the Melton Landscape Character Assessment
19	Nottinghamshire Wolds: Cotgrave Wooded Clay Wolds	NW04 Cotgrave Wooded Clay Wolds
20	South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Clifton Slopes	SN01 Clifton Slopes
21	South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Ruddington Alluvial Farmland	SN02 Ruddington Alluvial Farmland
22	South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Mickleborough Fringe	SN03 Mickleborough Fringe
23	South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: East Bridgford Escarpment Farmland	SN05 East Bridgford Escarpment Farmland
24	South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Cotgrave and Tollerton Village Farmland	SN04 Cotgrave and Tollerton Village Farmland
25	South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Aslockton Village Farmland	SN06 Aslockton Village Farmland
26	Trent Valley: Attenborough Wetlands	TSV01 Attenborough Wetlands
27	Trent Valley: Soar Valley	TSV02 Soar Valley
28	Trent Washlands: West Bridgford to East Bridgford Washlands	TW01 Trent Washlands: Gamston and Edwalton River Meadowlands TW02 Trent Washlands: Polser Brook River Meadows TW03 Trent Washlands: Holme Pierrepont and Bassingfield Village Farmlands TW04 Trent Field River Meadowlands TW07 Shelford Village Farmlands TW51 Stoke Lock River Meadowlands TW055 West Bridgford Recreational Fringe

Appendix 3 Views Identified in Conservation Area Appraisals

Conservation Areas in within Melton Borough and Rushcliffe Borough are listed in the tables below. A note is also included of which LCA/DPZ the areas falls in and highlights any key views identified in the Conservation Area Appraisals.

Table A2.1 Conservation Areas within Melton Borough

Conservation Area	Landscape Character Area	Views identified within the Conservation Area Appraisal
Ashby Folville	11 High Leicestershire Hills: Gaddesby Valley	The appraisal notes the wooded valley setting of the village and the place of St Mary's Church as a focal point in views.
Belvoir Castle	7 The Leicestershire Wolds: Belvoir and Croxton Parkland	Yes: <i>"The castle occupies a commanding position at the north eastern end of the Vale of Belvoir escarpment with spectacular view across the vale to the north and is set within a huge swathe of trees and formal landscaped gardens with two lakes. From within the Castle grounds there are also intimate and distance views through woodland areas of the Castle and other important buildings. The designed elements and the landscape in particular providing and enhancing those views."</i>
Bottesford	1 Vale of Belvoir	Long views towards Grantham from Market Street are noted.
Cold Overton	12 High Leicestershire Hills Borrough Hills	No
Gaddesby	9 High Leicestershire Hills: Great Dalby and Gaddesby Pastoral Farmland (and small area within 11 High Leicestershire Hills: Gaddesby Valley)	The "extensive views across open countryside southwards from Rearsby Lane" and "splendid views north from Nether End across the parkland of Gaddesby Hall" are highlighted within the appraisal.
Hose	1 Vale of Belvoir	Yes. <i>The appraisals states that "There are magnificent views in a westerly direction towards Nottingham from the side of the Rose and Crown public house and in a north-easterly direction towards Belvoir from Harby Lane."</i>
Knossington	15 High Leicestershire Hills: Knossington Pastoral Farmland	No.
Long Clawson	1 Vale of Belvoir	No

Conservation Area	Landscape Character Area	Views identified within the Conservation Area Appraisal
Normanton	1 Vale of Belvoir	No
Redmile	1 Vale of Belvoir	Yes. The appraisal notes " <i>extensive views out of the village, over open fields to the southeast towards Belvoir Castle and the Vale escarpment.</i> "
Stathern	1 Vale of Belvoir and 2 Leicestershire Wolds: Belvoir Scarp	Yes. The downhill approach along Mill Hill from Melton Mowbray is well treed with the canopies overhanging the highway creating a 'tunnel' effect. Views over the Vale at the base of the escarpment are magnificent. Tofts Hill provides an elevated vantage point from which views are available over the village roofscape to open countryside beyond, which are described in the appraisal as "stunning".
Branston	4 The Leicestershire Wolds:Knipton Bowl	Yes. " <i>Approaching the village in a northerly direction from Waltham Road, an impressive view unfolds as a result of the buildings and church lying at a much lower level.</i> " " <i>The roadway terminates in a lovely view over the surrounding countryside towards Croxton Kerrial.</i> "
Buckminster	13 The Leicestershire Wolds: Freeby, Buckminster and Wymondham Farmland	Yes. " <i>The approach to the village from all directions is spectacular with a wealth of mature trees on every roadside. Views out of the village are available in all directions.</i> " Sproxtton Road has extensive views of the surrounding countryside/open fields.
Burrough on the Hill	12 High Leicestershire Hills: Burrough Hills	Yes. " <i>Due east there are splendid views over distant open countryside, framed by mature trees in the foreground</i> " Extensive views towards Burrough Hill Iron Age Fort and beyond are also available to the North West.
Cold Overton	12 High Leicestershire Hills: Burrough Hills	Yes. " <i>The village has an extensive area of attractive woodland to the west, much of which is protected by a Tree Preservation Order</i> "

Conservation Area	Landscape Character Area	Views identified within the Conservation Area Appraisal
Croxton Kerrial	4 The Leicestershire Wolds: Knipton Bowl.	Yes. <i>"Beyond the conservation area boundary extensive views open up over attractive countryside with Belvoir Castle a focal point in the distance."</i> Magnificent views from most areas of the village are noted, especially those of Belvoir Castle and those in a westerly direction from School Lane.
Easthorpe	1 Vale of Belvoir	No.
Eaton	4 The Leicestershire Wolds: Knipton Bowl	Yes. The elevated nature of the village allows for stunning views over the surrounding countryside. Behind the elevated church there is a backdrop of spectacular countryside and mature trees. Steeply sloping grass meadows are noted to provide an attractive foreground.
Edmondthorpe	13 The Leicestershire Wolds: Freeby, Buckminster and Wymondham Farmland	Yes. Good views to the North and South are noted.
Freeby	13 The Leicestershire Wolds: Freeby, Buckminster and Wymondham Farmland	Yes. Views looking East towards Waltham on the Wolds and areas surrounding Highfield Farm are noted.
Frisby on the Wreake	9 The Leicestershire Wolds: Wreake Valley	Yes. <i>"The exposed setting of the village within the Wreake valley allows extensive distant views and open countryside extends into the village north of Water Lane adding to its rural character."</i>
Gaddesby	8 High Leicestershire Hills: Great Dalby and Gaddesby Pastoral Farmland and 11 High Leicestershire Hills: Gaddesby Valley	Yes. "There are important areas of open countryside, which contribute much to the setting of the village including land between Paske Avenue and Gaddesby Hall and the open countryside, which slopes gently southwards from Rearsby Lane to the Gaddesby Brook. There are extensive views across open countryside southwards from Rearsby Lane. There are also splendid views north from Nether End across the parkland of Gaddesby Hall."
Goadby Marwood	5 The Leicestershire Wolds:Ragdale to Saltby Wolds	No.

Conservation Area	Landscape Character Area	Views identified within the Conservation Area Appraisal
Great Dalby	8 High Leicestershire Hills: Great Dalby and Gaddesby Pastoral Farmland	Yes. It is noted that the areas of land between Burrough End and Nether End are an important characteristic of the village. When approaching the village there are good views in.
Grimston	5 The Leicestershire Wolds: Ragdale to Saltby Wolds	Yes. <i>"Magnificent areas of open land south of Shoby Lane offer splendid views over breathtaking countryside towards Leicester and these should be protected."</i>
Harston	4 The Leicestershire Wolds:Knipton Bowl	No.
Hoby	5 The Leicestershire Wolds: Ragdale to Saltby Wolds and 9: The Leicestershire Wolds: Wreake Valley	Yes. "Splendid views are available from several points within the village." <i>"splendid views across the Wreake Valley"</i>
Holwell	5 The Leicestershire Wolds:Ragdale to Saltby Wolds and partly within 3 The Leicestershire Wolds: Dalby to Belvoir Woods	Yes. Surrounding countryside and agricultural land located east of Ben's Cottage contributes to the village setting. <i>"The spire of Ab-Kettleby Church is visible in the distance maintaining a parochial link."</i>
Hose	1 Vale of Belvoir	Yes. <i>"There are magnificent views in a westerly direction towards Nottingham from the side of the Rose and Crown public house and in a north-easterly direction towards Belvoir from Harby Lane."</i>
Knipton	4 The Leicestershire Wolds: Knipton Bowl	Yes. The surrounding countryside is noted to help enhance the character and also the villages open form.
Knossington	12 High Leicestershire Hills: Burrough Hills	No.
Long Clawson	1 Vale of Belvoir and 2: The Leicestershire Wolds: Belvoir Scarp	No.
Melton Mowbray	15 The Leicestershire Wolds:	No.

Conservation Area	Landscape Character Area	Views identified within the Conservation Area Appraisal
	Melton Farmland Fringe.	
Normanton		No.
Old Dalby	2 The Leicestershire Wolds: Belvoir Scarp	Yes. <i>"Views over open countryside including the village roofscape and backdrop of mature trees are particularly special from the churchyard."</i> The village is on raised ground so has "fine" views out over the surrounding countryside. <i>"The open areas which surround the village are particularly important to its valley setting"</i>
Pickwell	12 High Leicestershire Hills: Burrough Hills	Yes. The wooded countryside surrounding The Manor and the local area provides an attractive approach to the village from Somerby Road.
Redmile	1 Vale of Belvoir	Yes. <i>"There are extensive views out of the village, over open fields to the southeast towards Belvoir Castle and the Vale escarpment."</i>
Rotherby	9 The Leicestershire Wolds: Wreake Valley	Yes. At the south end of the village there is a group of houses that benefit from the extensive views over the fields towards Holby and Ragdale.
Saltby	5 The Leicestershire Wolds: Ragdale to Saltby Wolds	Yes. <i>"Open spaces are particularly important to the character and setting of the settlement and these may be seen to the east of The Butts and to the west of Church Farm affording fine views out of the village."</i>
Saxelbye	5 The Leicestershire Wolds: Ragdale to Saltby Wolds	Yes. It is noted in the appraisal that there is "a magnificent view from Webster's Dairy south towards the Manor House."
Scalford	5 The Leicestershire Wolds:Ragdale to Saltby Wolds	No.
Somerby	12 High Leicestershire Hills: Burrough Hills	Yes. There is a house located on a bend in High street that <i>"has extensive gardens to the rear with fine views over open countryside beyond."</i> It is stated that there are "attractive and well treed areas on the periphery such as land south

Conservation Area	Landscape Character Area	Views identified within the Conservation Area Appraisal
		<i>of The Grove and open countryside south of Somerby House"</i>
Sproxton	13 The Leicestershire Wolds: Freeby, Buckminster and Wymondham Farmland	Yes. <i>"There are splendid views in all directions." "There are many wonderful distant views from the locality especially east and west from Coston Road and from all directions surrounding the Church."</i>
Stathern	1 Vale of Belvoir and 2 The Leicestershire Wolds: Belvoir Scarp	Yes. <i>"Views from this elevated vantage point (Tofts Hill) over the village roofscape to open countryside beyond are quite stunning."</i>
Stonesby	5 The Leicestershire Wolds: Ragdale to Saltby Wolds	Yes. <i>"Waltham road drops away downhill and affords fine views over open countryside as it climbs again out of the village"</i> It is also stated that there are fine views over open fields to the south. <i>"The area of undulating pasture land south of Main Street provides extensive views both into and out of the village."</i>
Waltham on the Wolds	5 The Leicestershire Wolds: Ragdale to Saltby Wolds	Yes. <i>"Fine views over attractive countryside surrounding the village are available west of the A607."</i>
Wartnaby	5 The Leicestershire Wolds: Ragdale to Saltby Wolds	No.
Wymondham	13 The Leicestershire Wolds: Freeby, Buckminster and Wymondham Farmland and 10 The Leicestershire Wolds: Eye Valley	Yes. <i>"There are extensive views over open countryside to the village roofscape beyond and also the site of the Roman Villa in the distance."</i>

Table A2.2 Conservation Areas within Rushcliffe Borough

Conservation Area	Landscape Character Area	Views identified within the Conservation Area Appraisal
Aslockton	25 South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Aslockton Village Farmland	Yes. Some views out towards the North of the village and also some longer views out towards the village of Whatton to the North.
Bingham	25 South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Aslockton Village Farmland	Yes. Possible views of <i>"Toot Hill to the South and Parson's Hill to the North."</i>
Bradmore	24 South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Cotgrave and Tollerton Village Farmland	Yes. <i>"views to the south of the Nottinghamshire Wolds and wooded areas of Rancliffe Wood and Bunny Old Wood."</i> But otherwise the surrounding views are <i>"quite restricted."</i>
Bunny	21 South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Ruddington Alluvial Farmland and 24 South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Cotgrave and Tollerton Village Farmland	Yes. <i>"there are views out over the surrounding countryside towards Bunny Hill to the south."</i>
Car Colston	25 South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Aslockton Village Farmland	It is noted that there are some panoramic views within the village and also looking out on the surrounding countryside to the North and South but no views of great importance.
Colston Bassett	1 Vale of Belvoir	A diagram in appendix 2 of the appraisal identifies important Panoramic views from the settlement: at the south at the end of Bunnison Lane; to the southwest at the end of School Lane; and to the northeast from Wash Pit Lane. It also notes the importance of the ruined Church of St Mary (a Grade I Listed and a Scheduled Ancient Monument) which lies outside the village in <i>"glimpsed through the trees and across the valley"</i> .
Costock	LCU 17 Nottinghamshire Wolds: East Leake Rolling Farmland	<i>"The enclosed feel of the village allows for only occasional glimpses of the surrounding countryside"</i> . Within the village itself, localised views along Main Street, Church Lane and Chapel Lane are noted. Panoramic views out to the north east (into LCU 16 Gotham and West Leake Wooded Hills and Scarps and LCU 18 Widmerpool Clay Wolds) from the east end of the village are identified

Conservation Area	Landscape Character Area	Views identified within the Conservation Area Appraisal
		in the townscape appraisal.
Cropwell Butler	25 South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Aslockton Village Farmland	It is noted that there are some panoramic views out to the surrounding area. However it is also noted that the views from the village are often restricted.
East Bridgford	23 South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: East Bridgford Escarpment Farmland	Yes. It is noted that there are many panoramic views surrounding most of the area and many of these are found on the South end of the town.
East Leake	17 Nottinghamshire Wolds: East Leake Rolling Farmland	No.
Edwalton	Adjacent to: 22 South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Mickleborough Fringe	No.
Flintham	25 South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Aslockton Village Farmland	Some panoramic views looking out onto the surrounding countryside/fields.
Granby	25 South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Aslockton Village Farmland	Yes. <i>"Belvoir Castle is just visible on the horizon" from the location of Sutton Lane.</i> <i>"views of the countryside beyond the Conservation Area are particularly pleasing thanks to Granby's elevated position."</i>
Hawksworth	25 South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Aslockton Village Farmland	Yes. <i>"The church tower is a dominant feature particularly in views from the south."</i> <i>"There are also some particularly fine views over open countryside. From a point at the entrance to Top Farm's grounds on Main Road for example, one can appreciate views over open countryside of the church spire at St Helena's in Thoroton."</i>
Hickling	1 Vale of Belvoir and 18: Nottinghamshire Wolds: Widmerpool Clay Wolds	Yes. <i>"The open countryside that flows into the centre of the village provides many views outwards and a particularly spectacular view can be taken looking Westwards, where Clawson Lane meets Main Street"</i> Views of the Church of St Luke from Standard Hill are noted <i>"where a dramatic view of the</i>

Conservation Area	Landscape Character Area	Views identified within the Conservation Area Appraisal
		<i>whole village can be enjoyed</i> ".
Keyworth	18 Nottinghamshire Wolds: Widmerpool Clay Wolds	Yes. The church of St Mary Magdalene can be <i>"glimpsed in views throughout the Conservation Area and beyond its boundary."</i> <i>"Approaching from the west along Bunny Lane, the elevated position of Main Street allows a number of the Conservation Area's key buildings (most noticeably the church and 19 Main Street) to stand prominently on the horizon."</i>
Langar	1 Vale of Belvior and 25: South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Aslockton Village Farmland	Yes. The open views across the river valley from Langar Hall to Wiverton Hall is noted as being particularly important. Numerous other views out to the surrounding landscape from the edges of the village are also identified on the Conservation Area Appraisal map.
Normanton-on-the-Wolds	24 South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Cotgrave and Tollerton Village Farmland and 19: Nottinghamshire Wolds: Cotgrave Wooded Clay Wolds	It is noted that there are some panoramic views surrounding the village but lots of the views are blocked by boundary walls.
Orston	25: South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Aslockton Village Farmland	Yes. <i>"The higher ground along Hill Road and Station Road and the open aspect on the western fringes of the village offer good vantage points for outward looking views of the countryside around Orston."</i> The Appraisal also notes the setting of the village and the ridge adjoining the Vale of Belvoir to the East: <i>"To the East is the ridge that extends from Newark to Granby. This ridge is 17 meters higher than the Green, opposite the church: - enough to provide splendid views over the village and the Trent Valley".</i>
Ruddington	Partly within 24 South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Cotgrave and Tollerton Village Farmland	Yes. But the appraisal notes that the dense nature of the village centre means that not many buildings form focal points and there are few views out to the surrounding countryside. The townscape assessment illustrates two medium to long distance views in the south

Conservation Area	Landscape Character Area	Views identified within the Conservation Area Appraisal
		east of the village looking south west and south east across open spaces.
Scarrington	25 South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Aslockton Village Farmland	<p>Yes. The appraisal notes within the key characteristics of the Conservation Area that: <i>"The rural surroundings of the village provide views across open countryside, and tree and hedgerow lined approaches."</i></p> <p>The church of St John of Beverley <i>"features strongly in views along Main Street from the north-west and south-east, and along Hawksworth Road from the north. Glimpses of the church can also be seen throughout the village and across the surrounding countryside."</i></p> <p>Also, <i>"Views across the surrounding countryside can be seen from the edges of the Conservation Area at the eastern end of Aslockton Road and from Chapel Lane, as well as down the hedgerow bordered lanes leading away from the village"</i></p>
Sutton Bonington	27 Trent Valley: Soar Valley	<p>Yes.</p> <p><i>"The northern approach allows clear appreciation of Sutton Bonington's location on the edge of the Soar valley, and of the Conservation Area's integration within the rural landscape."</i></p> <p>Within the Conservation Area's key characteristics views are noted as important: <i>"...views of open countryside can be seen in combination as one progresses through the Conservation Area.... Many different kinds of view are offered, from glimpses of open countryside between houses to long vistas and panoramas."</i> Views of the surrounding countryside can also often be glimpsed between buildings throughout the village. Views of the rural landscape to the north are also noted.</p> <p><i>"Sutton Bonington Conservation Area's visual integration into its landscape setting is one of its key characteristics. Lack of modern development to the east and west has resulted in the Conservation Area retaining its traditional relationship with the surrounding countryside. Views into the Conservation Area from public footpaths around the village, from the northern and southern approaches, and from the river and its flood plain show the Conservation Area as a small traditional</i></p>

Conservation Area	Landscape Character Area	Views identified within the Conservation Area Appraisal
		<i>settlement surrounded by and incorporating trees, fields and hedges". □The church of St Michael features strongly in views in the north of the village, and glimpses of the spire can be seen in almost every direction.</i>
Thoroton	25 South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Aslockton Village Farmland	<p>The hedge and grass verge lined approaches to the village frame views of the church spire of the Church of St Helena. The churchyard provides a good vantage point for views over open countryside.</p> <p>Key views within the village which link the village to the adjacent countryside are identified on the townscape appraisal map. These include views to the north west from the north western corner of the village and views out of the village towards the east.</p>
Thrumpton	26 Trent Valley: Attenborough Wetlands 16 Nottinghamshire Wolds: Gotham and West Leake Wooded Hills and Scarps	<p>All Saints church, Thrumpton Hall and Thrumpton Hall's gatehouse provide focal points within the village. Also: <i>"In the eastern half of the Conservation Area there are frequent views over open countryside"</i>.</p> <p>The townscape appraisal notes some panoramic views over open countryside from the south of the village close to the cricket ground.</p>
Upper Broughton	18 Nottinghamshire Wolds: Widmerpool Clay Wolds	<p>Yes.</p> <p>The appraisal notes that the village, as a key characteristic, has:</p> <p><i>"Strong visual links to surrounding landscape. The location of the village on the side of the hill provides strong views to the South a sylvan backdrop to the North."</i></p> <p><i>"The open space and gaps in properties to the south of Station Road provide a strong visual link with the surrounding agricultural land and beautiful views of the Belvoir escarpment, whilst the flanks of the hill to the north of the village provide a backdrop of grassy slopes and mature trees. Along Station Road the gaps in the properties which allow views out are as important as the properties themselves"</i>.</p>
Upper Saxondale	24 South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Cotgrave and Tollerton Village Farmland	<i>"More far reaching views of the surrounding countryside can be appreciated from the open areas on the northern and southern edges of the Conservation Area."</i>

Conservation Area	Landscape Character Area	Views identified within the Conservation Area Appraisal
West Leake	16 Nottinghamshire Wolds: Gotham and West Leake Wooded Hills and Scarps	The appraisal mentions that <i>“West Leake’s strong rural tradition is evident in its many agricultural buildings and views into the open countryside”</i>
Whatton in the Vale	25 South Nottinghamshire Farmlands: Aslockton Village Farmland	<i>“The Whatton-in-the-Vale conservation area has a very strong relationship with the countryside that surrounds it. Views can be taken from the edges of the conservation area, looking out over large gardens, paddocks, fields and the open countryside, known as the South Nottinghamshire Farmlands”</i>
Wysall	17 Nottinghamshire Wolds: East Leake Rolling Farmland	<i>“On the fringes of the village views over open countryside combine with grass verges and hedgerows to provide attractive rural approaches.”</i> The Holy Trinity Church is a primary focal point. <i>“The church tower features strongly in views along Costock Road and Wymeswold Road and views over surrounding countryside can be gained from many places on the edges of the built up area”</i>

Appendix 4 Views Identified by Parish Councils in Melton Borough

This Appendix replicates maps indicating views identified by the Parish Councils in a consultation exercise MBC undertook with the Parish Councils in July 2013.

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Date: 16th August 2013

Dear Parish Clerk

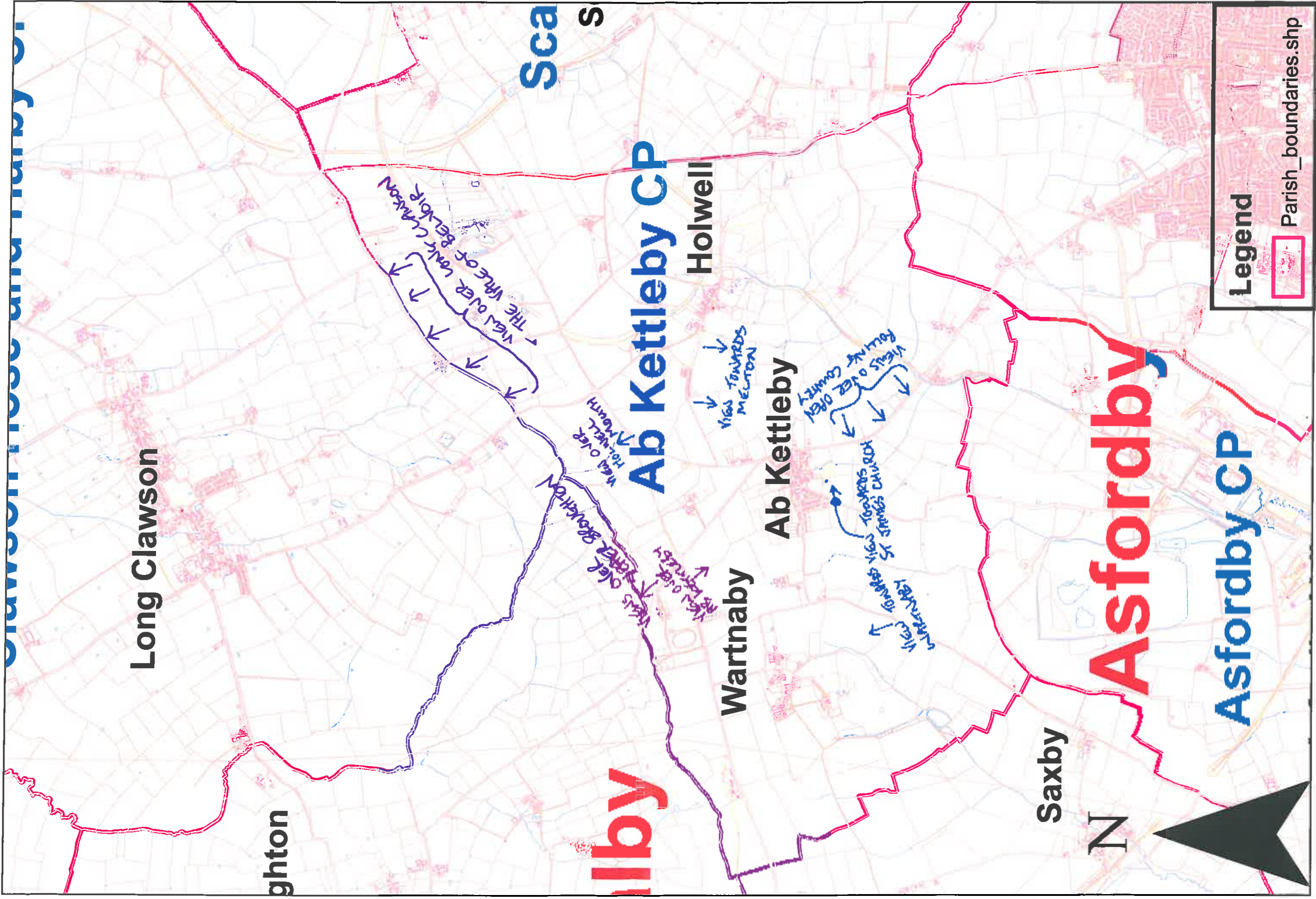
RE: Melton Borough Council Renewable Wind Energy Guidance

Halcrow and Bayou Blueenvironment have been appointed to produce guidance on renewable wind energy. The guidance will compile all national guidance and evidence into one document. The guidance once adopted by the Borough Council will not provide any new policies on renewable wind energy or set out where turbines can or cannot be located within the Borough. In order to provide further guidance for officers when determining planning applications for renewable wind energy, a landscape capacity and visual impact assessment will be produced. The consultants are looking to liaise with local people to identify important local view points.

A meeting was held with Parish Councillors on the 7th August 2013, to give a brief presentation on the content of the guidance being produced and to carry out an exercise to identify local important view points. At this meeting it was agreed that each of the parish councils would carry out this exercise with their parish councillors and return the results of the exercise at a later date.

This exercise has been designed to identify important local view points within your own parish. Once these have been identified this information will be passed onto the consultants carrying out the landscape capacity study. These viewpoints will then be assessed as part of the landscape character assessment.

Please note that the exercise is not designed to identify areas where turbines should not be located, but only to identify important view points. On the map provided with this letter, please mark clearly any important viewpoints you consider important within the parish. You will need to clearly indicate the direction of the view on the map and state if the view identified is from a view point or to a view point for example:



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Belvoir Parish Council

View Points within the Parish

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1. Views from Belvoir Castle from the North, East, South and West and view towards Belvoir from these points
2. Views from Belvoir Lodge, Belvoir to North, North East and Northwest across the Vale of Belvoir and towards Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire.
3. Views from Vale House, Belvoir as above.
4. Views from Harston towards Knipton to the South West, towards woodland and open countryside to the North, South and East and West, and view to Harston from Knipton and Belvoir Castle
5. Views toward Knipton from surrounding hills to the North, East, South and West. Views from the village to all compass points and towards Belvoir Castle to the North of the village.

Given the topography of the villages comprising the Belvoir Parish there are view points from all compass points. Belvoir Castle in particular was built to command views across all the surrounding countryside

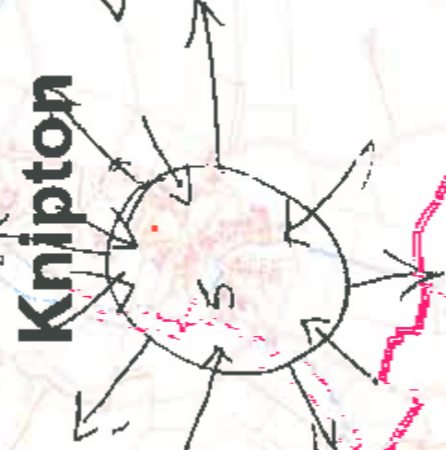
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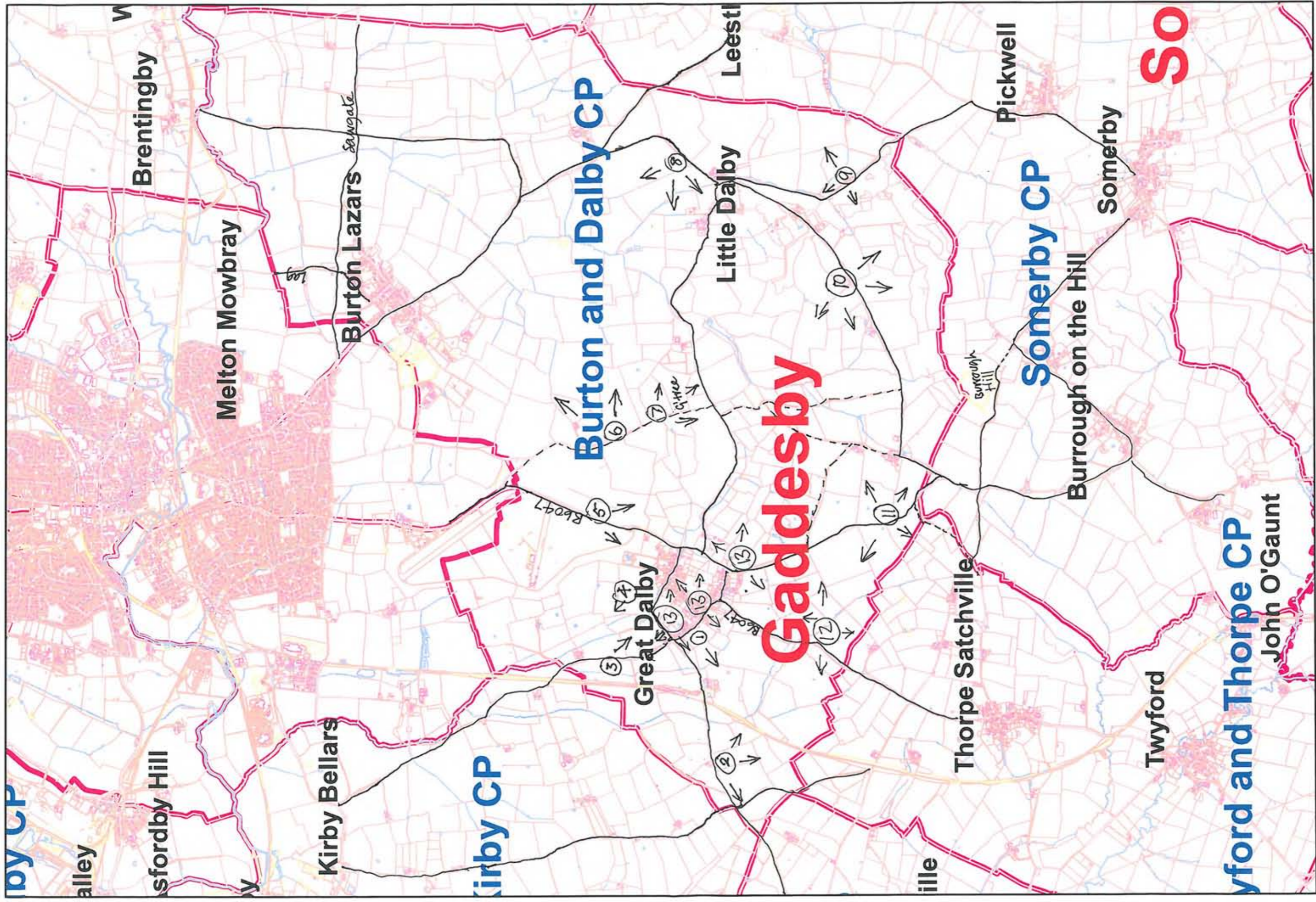
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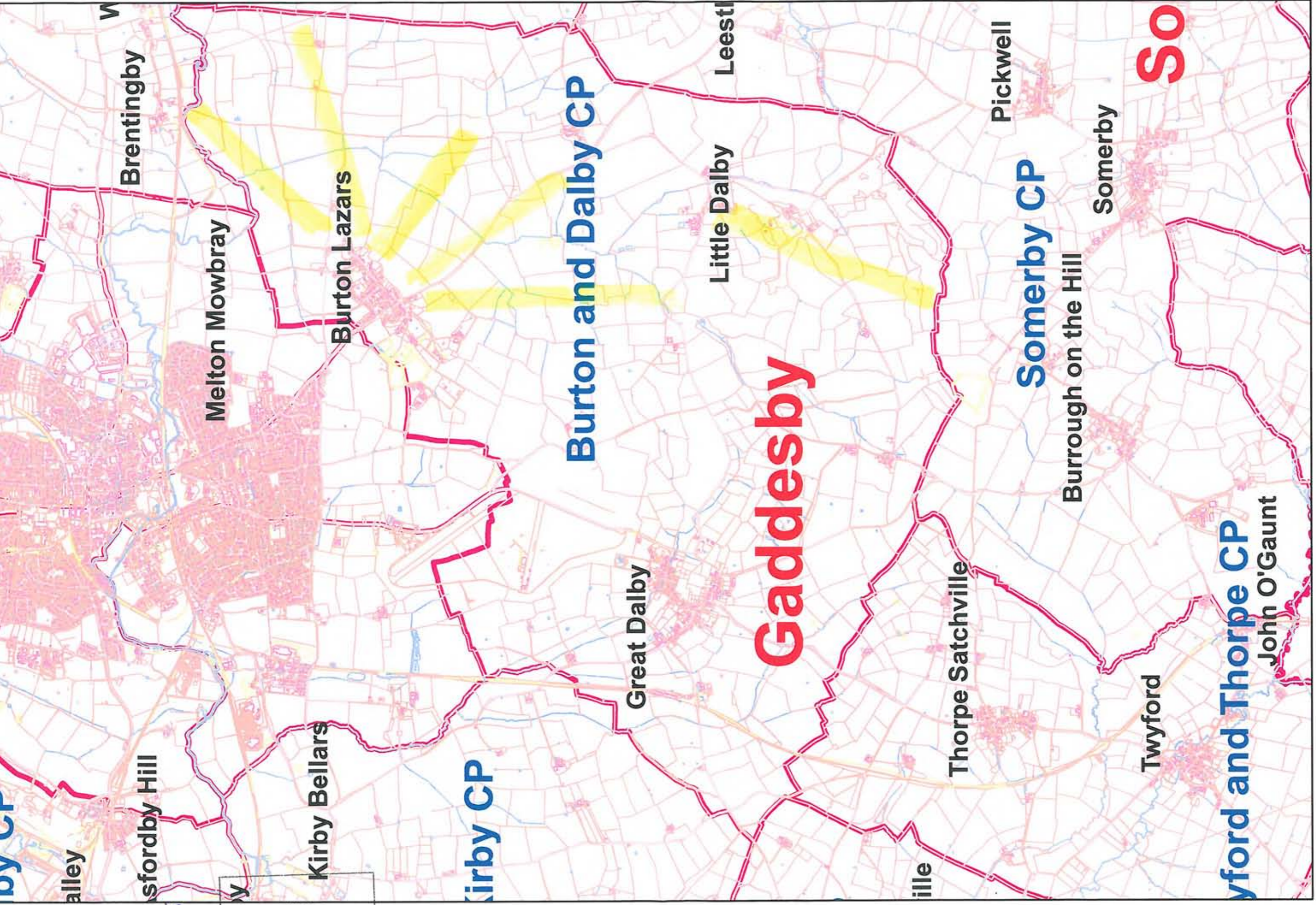
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- 1) Looking S.W. from the gardens on Top End, Great Dalby, gently rising ground, valuable open agricultural countryside with ridge & furrow and ancient hedgerows and mature trees. The large wind turbine at Thorpe Satchville visible in the landscape.
- 2) Looking N.E. back towards Great Dalby from a footpath near the parish boundary on the Ashby Folville road. Valued open agricultural landscape all around with the historic, listed buildings in Pebble Yard, and Grade 2* church on the horizon looking north east. Looking further east and south there are unimpeded views of Burrough Hill and Billesdon Coplow in the distance, and to the south and west Thorpe Trussels Wood and Ashby Pastures Wood nearby. Distant views of Charnwood to the west. The landscape also features numerous well-used footpaths and bridleways and characteristic Leicestershire isolated farmsteads.
- 3) Looking east and S.E. from Kirby Road: Pleasing view of Great Dalby nestling in the valley to the east, with Burrough Hill beyond. Unspoilt mixed farming landscape with the high ground formally occupied by wartime airfield prominent on the horizon.
- 4) From the footpath north of Great Dalby looking west, unspoilt pasture landscape enjoyed by walkers.
- 5) From B6047 north of Great Dalby looking west towards Ashby Pastures Wood with Dalby Wolds in the distance. Very high and open, large sky giving opportunities to enjoy magnificent sunsets. Further south there are glimpses of Burrough Hill where nearby small scale wind turbines are clearly visible. This high point is prominent and visible from 360 degrees, and from adjoining parishes, illustrating the impact that any further development on this high ground would have.
- 6) From the Sustrans route 64 (Lincoln to Mkt.Harbro') between Sandy Lane and Gartree Hill. Looking N.E. towards listed buildings and church in Burton Lazars, then further east to Burton Flats and Grade 2* church of St.James, Little Dalby.
- 7) At the high point on Sustrans route 64 the landscape opens out with uninterrupted views of Little Dalby church, the Burrough Hill landscape, and the church and village of Burrough on the Hill in the distance. The whole landscape comprises historic permanent pasture with ancient hedges and copses and some mixed arable.
- 8) Road between the A606 (Melton to Oakham) and Little Dalby: Classic view of Little Dalby village and church to S.W., Gartree Hill to west and Burton Lazars to N.W. Sweeping arable landscape views of Burton Flats overlooked from all points of the compass from higher land. Nearby the Sustrans route 64 joins the road and continues towards Pickwell.
- 9) Road from Pickwell to Little Dalby: 360 degree views. To the west Ernest Cook Trust land with permissive Dalby Hills Path across pasture and through copses, linking to Burrough Hill landscape and Jubilee Way. Turning N.W. to Hall Farm, the woods and walled gardens at Little Dalby Hall. Rising ground N.E. towards Leesthorpe is visible from Jubilee Way and Sustrans 64, and sensitive to any development.
- 10) From very important, secluded lane running parallel to Jubilee Way and Dalby Hills Path. High leisure value with footpaths and bridle ways in valley occupied by Moscow Farm. Unspoiled arable and pasture in historic landscape being extensively investigated by Leicester University Department of Archaeology.
- 11) On Melton Lane near parish boundary: Views N.E. to Little Dalby Walks, south over historic landscape to Burrough Hill and Burrough village, S.W. towards Salter's Hill and Leicestershire Round. Turning north towards Great Dalby there are wide views across Kirby Bellars parish with Dalby Wolds and Charnwood in the distance.
- 12) From footpath crossing the B6047 south of Great Dalby. There are 360 degree views over open high countryside and sensitive historic landscape.
- 13) **Great Dalby village:** The eastern, western and northern parts of the village are in elevated positions with uninterrupted views towards the high ground previously described and over sensitive landscape views.

NOTE: MOST OF BURTON AND DALBY PARISH IS HIGHLY VISIBLE FROM BURROUGH HILL COUNTRY PARK



Given my complete aversion to wind turbines I would prefer not to see them anywhere in the landscape
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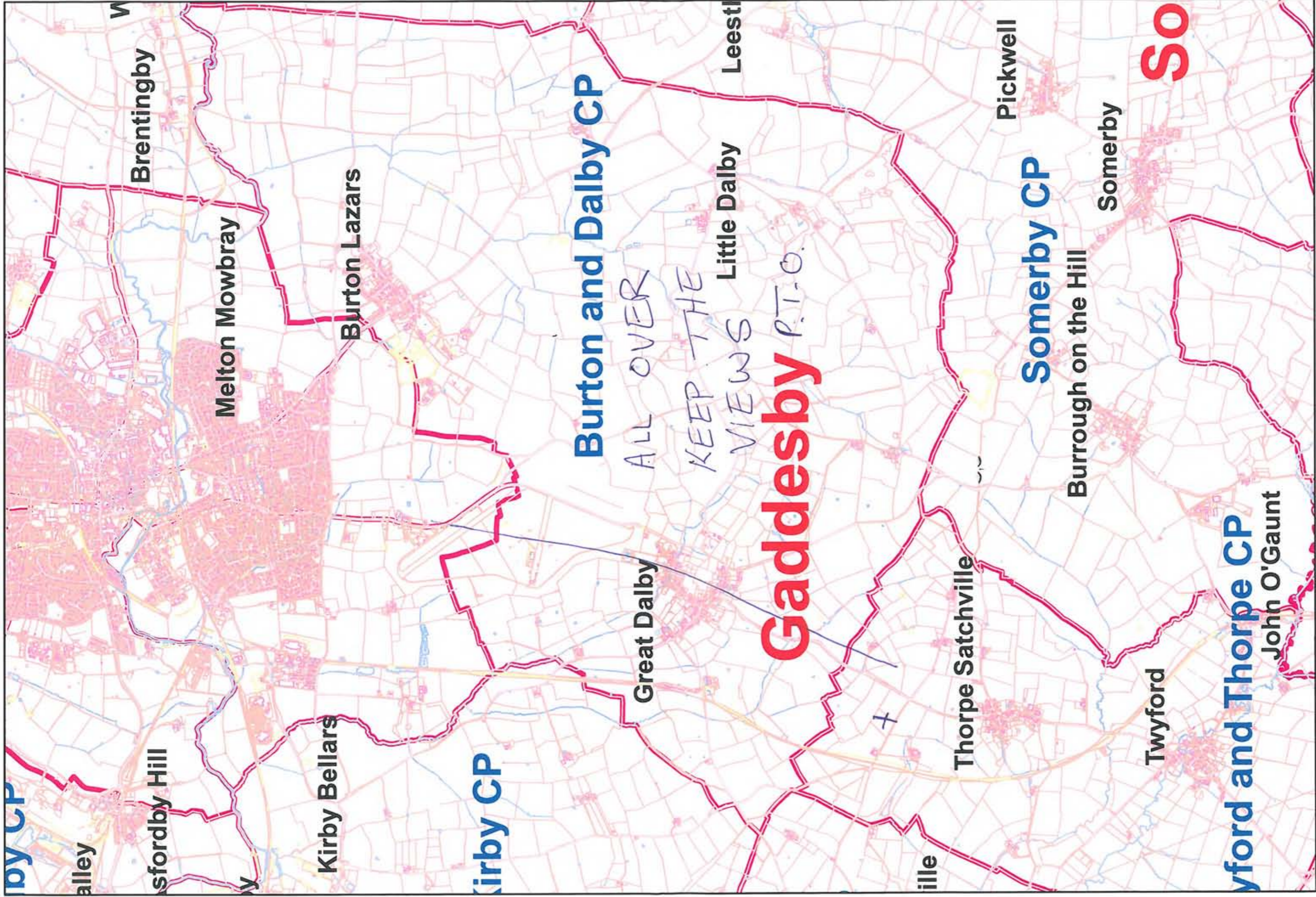
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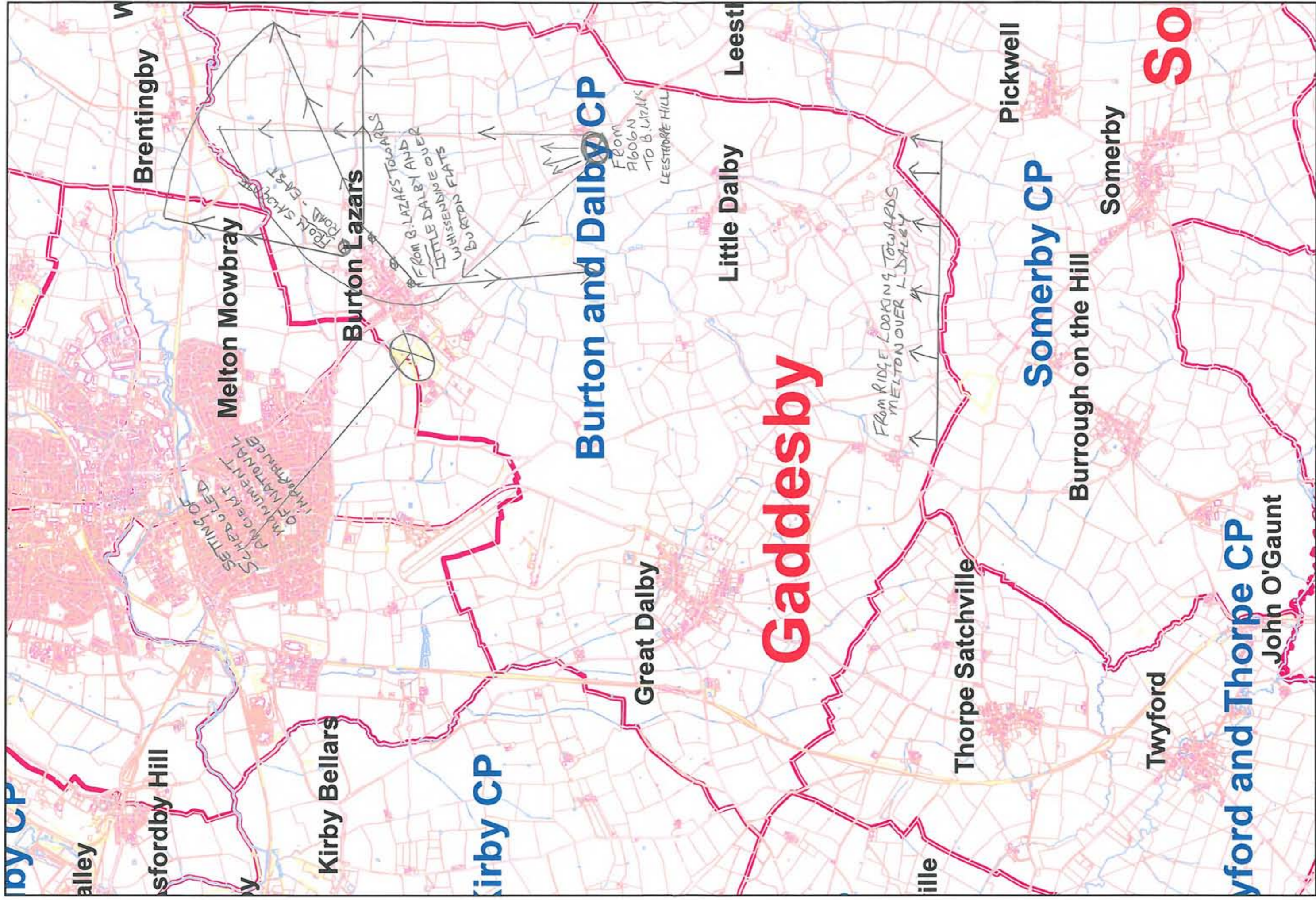
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Frisby Parish Council

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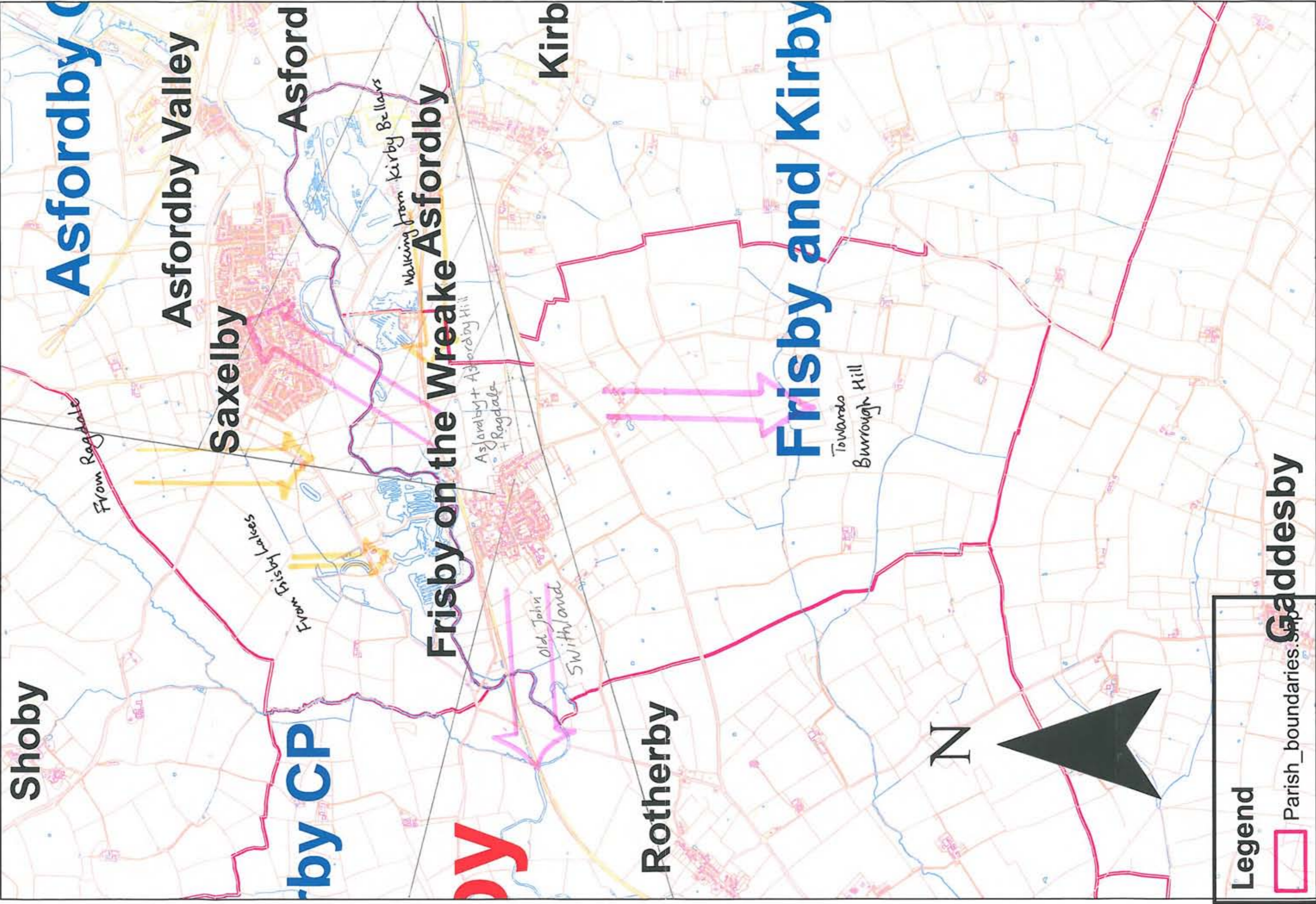
I have done the best I can with this map. Sorry about the delay.

Melton Borough Council
- 2 OCT 2013

Yours Sincerely,

Diana Patterson

Diana Patterson
Frisby on the Wreake Parish Councillor



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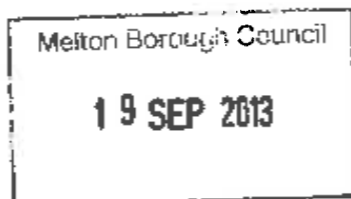
(Incorporating the Villages of Ashby Folville, Barsby & Gaddesby)

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14 September 2013

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Dear Sirs

Re: Melton Borough Council : Renewable Wind Energy Document.

Please find enclosed the completed map from Gaddesby Parish Council which indicates the view points within our Parish which we consider important.

We would also like to raise the following points:

- In our opinion the views from our Parish into other Parishes are of great importance.
- We are surrounded by quality rural landscape.
- A number of public footpaths and bridleways run through our Parish and are enjoyed by many, both parishioners and visitors alike.
- Ashby Folville, Barsby and Gaddesby all have conservation areas within the village.
- This Parish is defined as High Leicestershire and the views into the open landscape need to be protected.

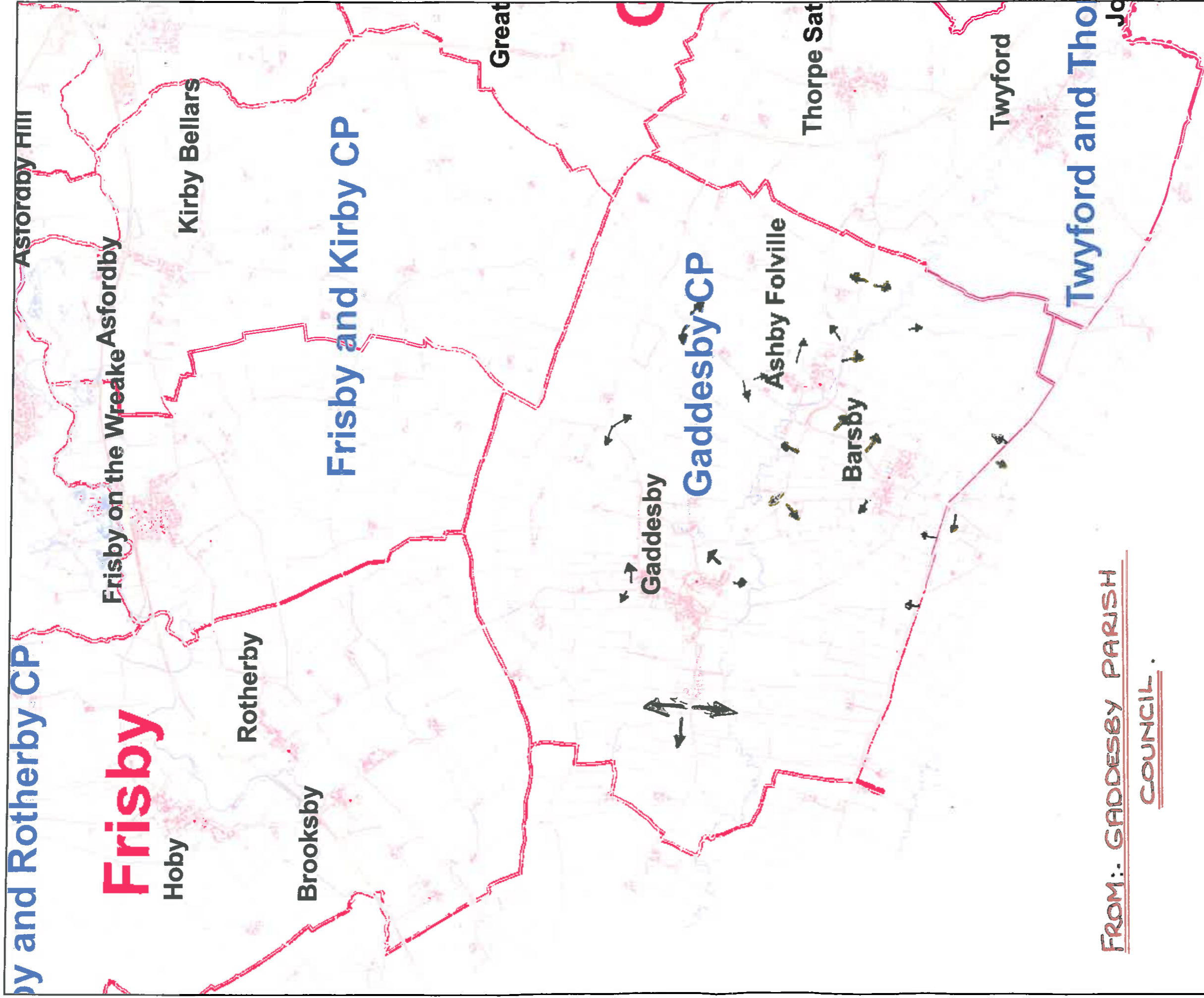
We hope the arrows shown on the map give a clear indication of our view points and that the above comments will be taken into consideration, however, if you require any further information then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

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Trudy M. Toon (Mrs)
Clerk
For and on behalf of Gaddesby Parish Council

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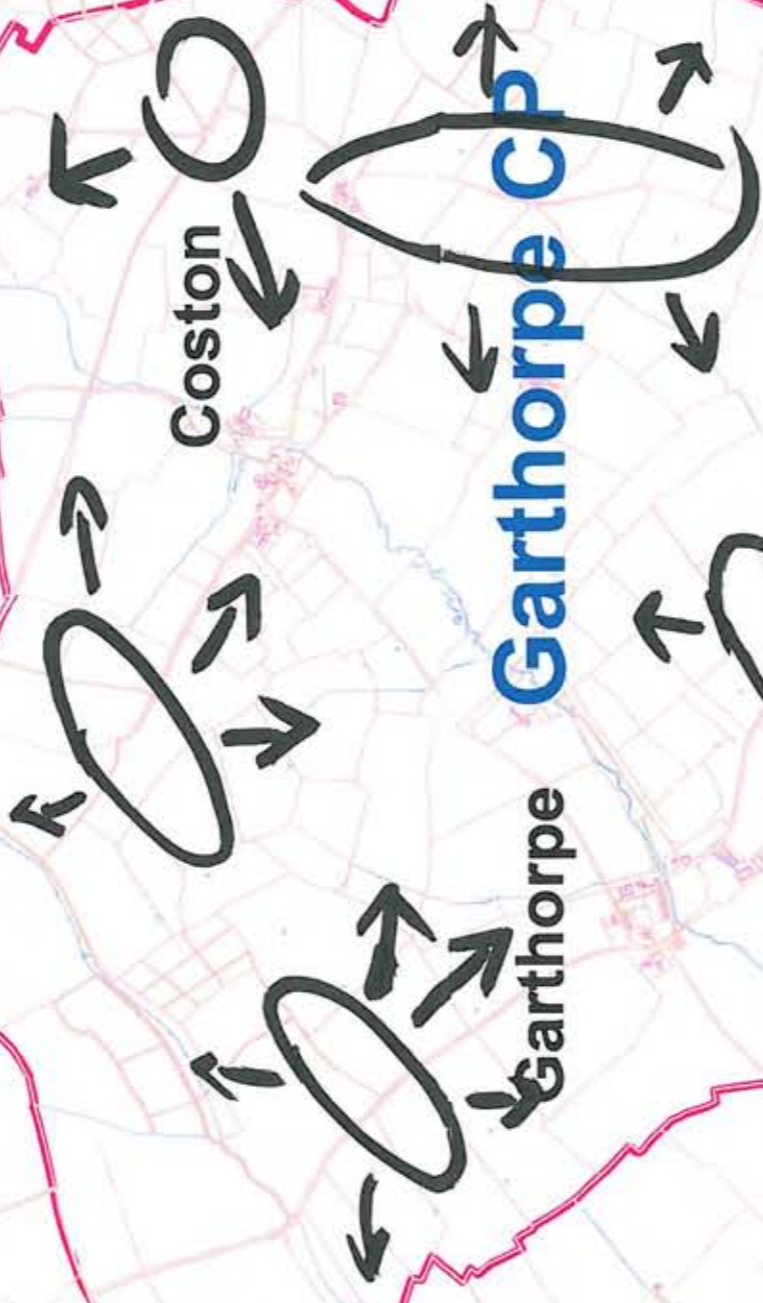
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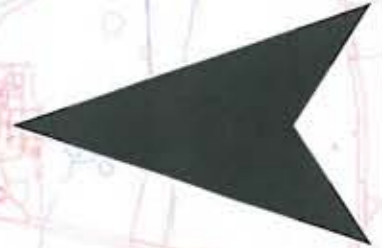
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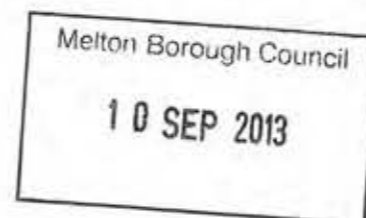
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For the attention of Katie Mills

Dear Sirs,

Re: Melton Borough Council Renewable Wind Energy Guidance

With reference to your letter dated 16th August 2013, I return herewith completed Map and explanatory note.

Yours faithfully,

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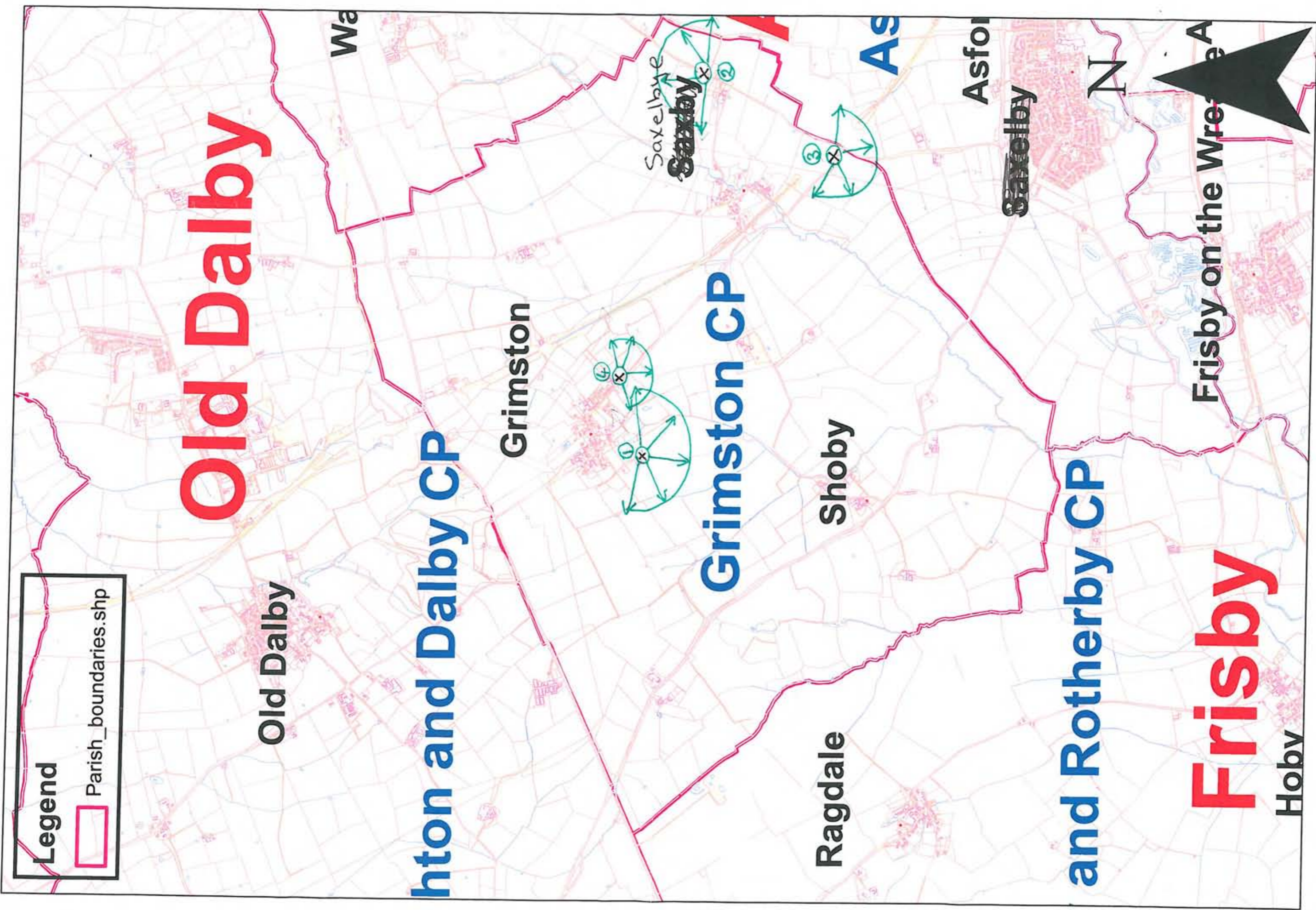
Mary Fenton
(Parish Clerk)

RE: MELTON BOROUGH COUNCIL RENEWABLE WIND ENERGY GUIDANCE.
REQUEST FOR IDENTIFICATION OF IMPORTANT VIEWPOINTS
GRIMSTON, SAXELBYE & SHOBY PARISH

PLEASE REFER TO ATTACHED MAP OF THE PARISH, WHERE
4 VIEWPOINTS ARE IDENTIFIED.

- ① UNINTERRUPTED AND EXTENSIVE VIEWS FROM SHOBY LANE
(PART OF THE MIDSHIRES WAY DESIGNATED RECREATIONAL PATH)
TO THE EAST, WEST AND SOUTH OVER THE WREAKE VALLEY,
TOWARDS LEICESTER CITY AND THE "HIGH LEICESTERSHIRE" AREA.
- ② VIEWS FROM POINTS ALONG THE ROAD NNE OF GLEBE FARM
TO THE WEST TOWARDS GRIMSTON; TO THE NORTH ACROSS
OPEN COUNTRYSIDE TOWARDS THE "SALTWAY" AND WARTNABY;
AND TO THE EAST TOWARDS MELTON.
- ③ VIEWS FROM POINTS NEAR THE JUNCTION OF SAXELBYE ROAD
AND WARTNABY ROAD (PART OF THE ^{DESIGNATED} NATIONAL CYCLE ROUTE*) TO
THE NORTH-WEST TOWARDS GRIMSTON; TO THE WEST AND SOUTH
OVER THE WREAKE VALLEY; AND TO THE SOUTH-EAST AND EAST
TOWARDS MELTON.
- ④ VIEWS FROM THE EDGE OF GRIMSTON ON THE SAXELBYE ROAD
TO THE SOUTH-EAST, SOUTH, SOUTH-WEST AND ~~WEST~~ EAST, TOWARDS
SAXELBYE AND THE WREAKE VALLEY

* CYCLE ROUTE NO. 48.



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HOBY WITH ROTHERBY PARISH COUNCIL

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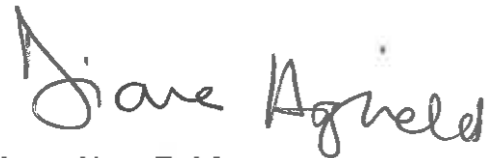
Dear Ms Mills

Melton Borough Council Renewable Energy Guidelines.

Thank you for your letter of 14th August and I enclose the map annotated with important local view points, plus explanations.

As I am sure you appreciate the four villages that make up Hoby with Rotherby Parish are small, rural in aspect, nestled in the Wreake Valley and surrounded by the Leicestershire Wolds. As a consequence the Parish Council had a lot of difficulty with this exercise as one of the many things that makes living in this Parish special is the rather lovely views that surround our villages. I have tried to reflect this on the map and the accompanying explanation.

Yours sincerely,



Diane Horsfield
Clerk to Hoby with Rotherby Parish Council
clerk@hobywithrotherbypc.org.uk

Hoby with Rotherby Parish Council

Important Local View Points Map – Accompanying notes

Ragdale:

- A – the view from the end of Ragdale Hall Grounds across the valley towards Rearsby.
- B – the high point on the footpath from Hoby to Ragdale looking back towards Hoby and over to Brooksby (approximate position marked on map)
- C - the high point on the road from Ragdale towards Hoby, a panoramic view towards Burrough on the Hill & Leicester.

Hoby:

- D – from the end of gardens on Church Lane and Thrussington Road over Glebe Land towards Thrussington
- E – the high point on the footpath H29 from Ashfordby Road towards Barn Farm – panoramic view of the surrounding countryside.
- F – from back of the houses on Main Street, front of the houses on Back Lane & Brooksby Road over the Wreake Valley towards Rotherby.

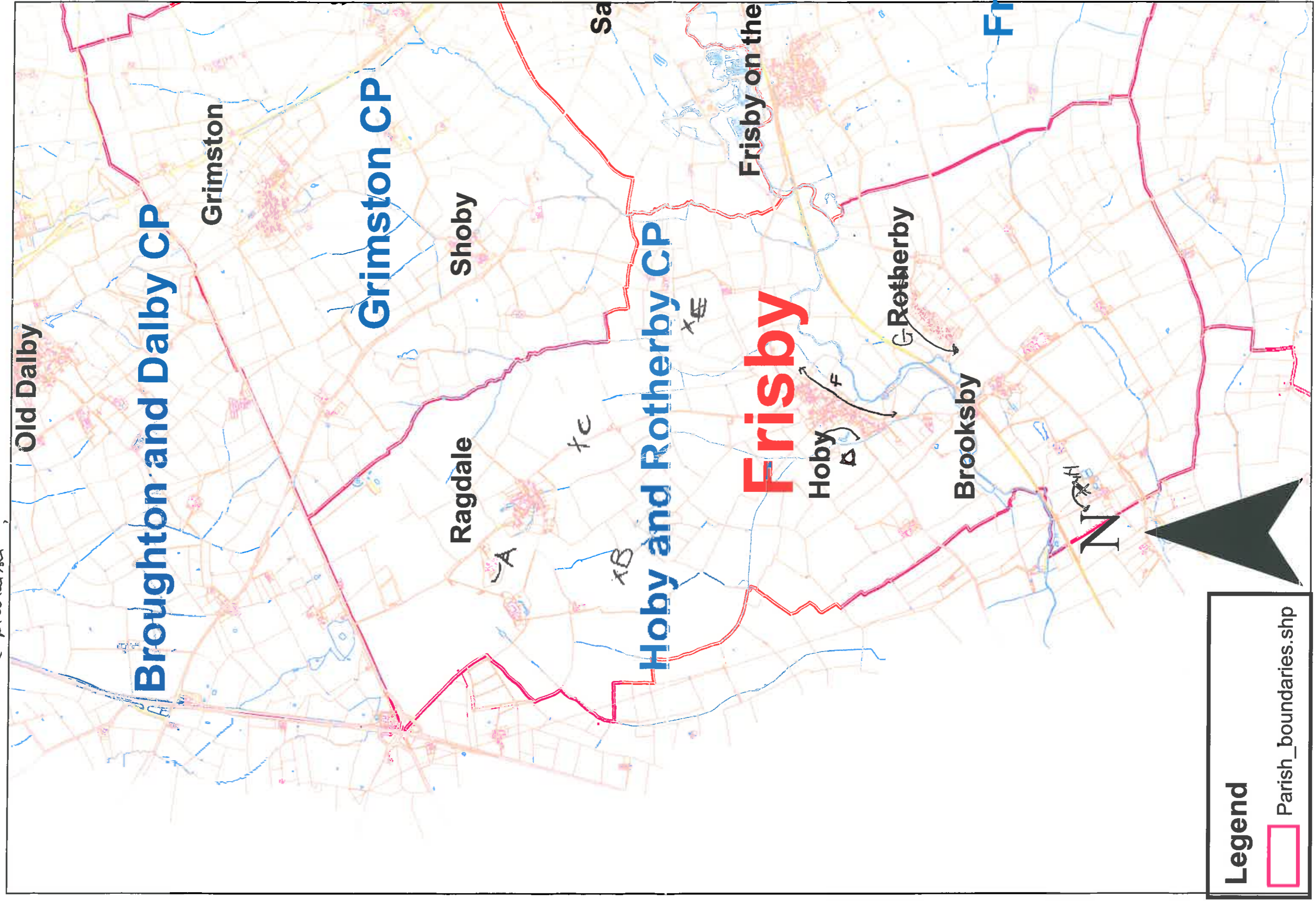
Rotherby:

- G – from the edge of the village looking north towards Hoby over the Wreake Valley, east towards Frisby and west towards Brooksby.

Brooksby:

- H - from the equestrian centre belonging to Brooksby Melton College over the Wreake Valley towards Hoby, Ragdale & Rearsby.

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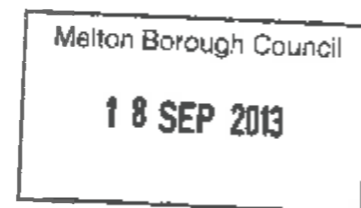


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17 September 2013

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Dear Ms Mills,

Kirby Bellars Parish Council have identified important local views on the enclosed map as per your letter of 16 August 2013 as part of the MBC Renewable Energy Guidance.

Views both towards and away from Kirby Bellars have been identified as far as possible.

If you require any further information please contact the clerk on the above or by email at ssbooth@talktalk.net.

Yours sincerely,

Sue Booth
Parish Clerk

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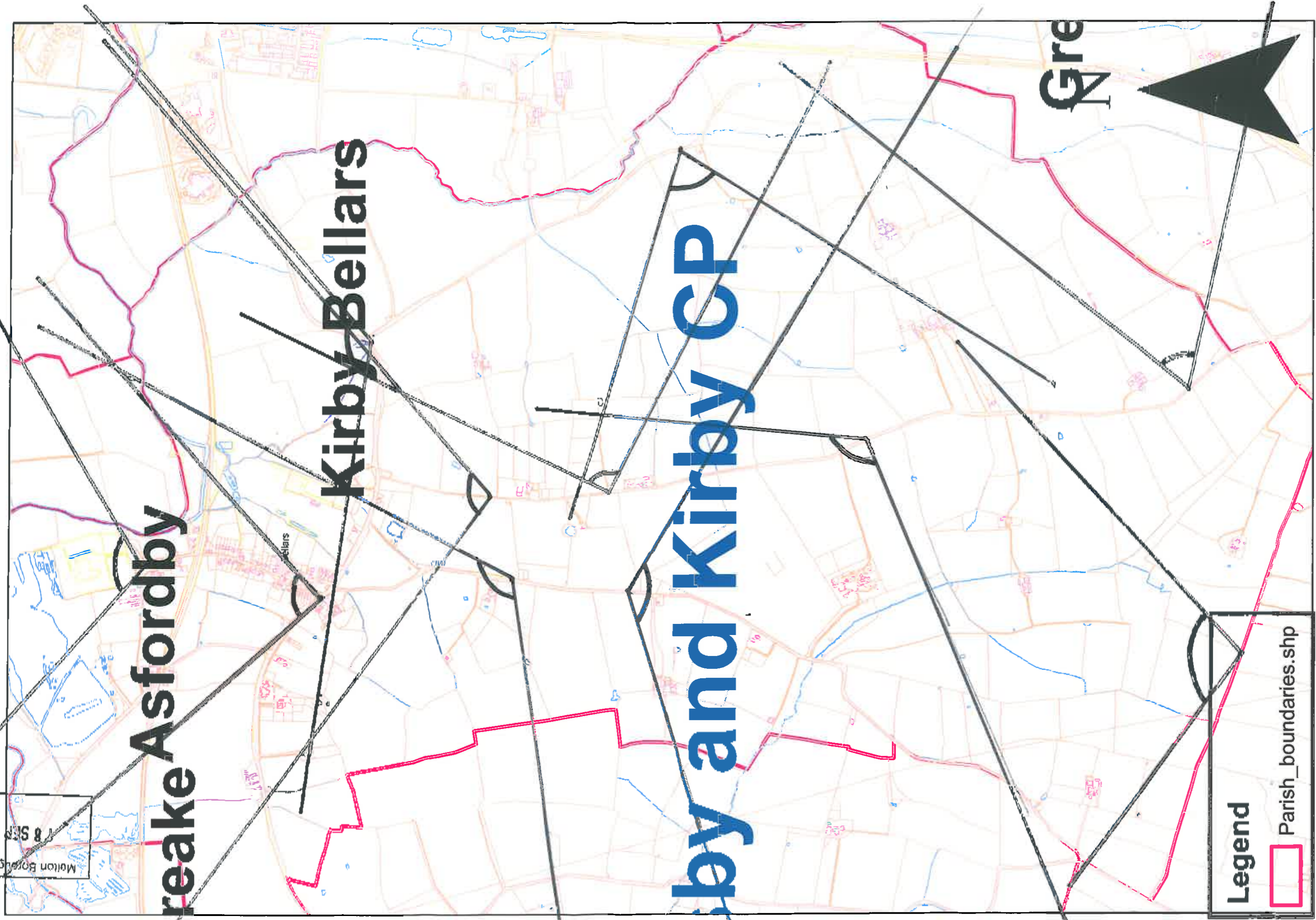
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KIRBY BELLARS VIEW POINTS - DIRECTION AND SPREAD



Twyford & Thorpe Satchville Parish Council

Clerk- Philip Challoner

The Old School House
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Dear Sir/Madam

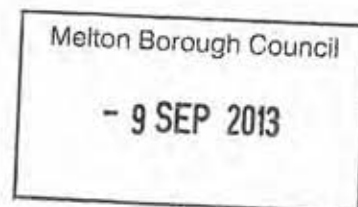
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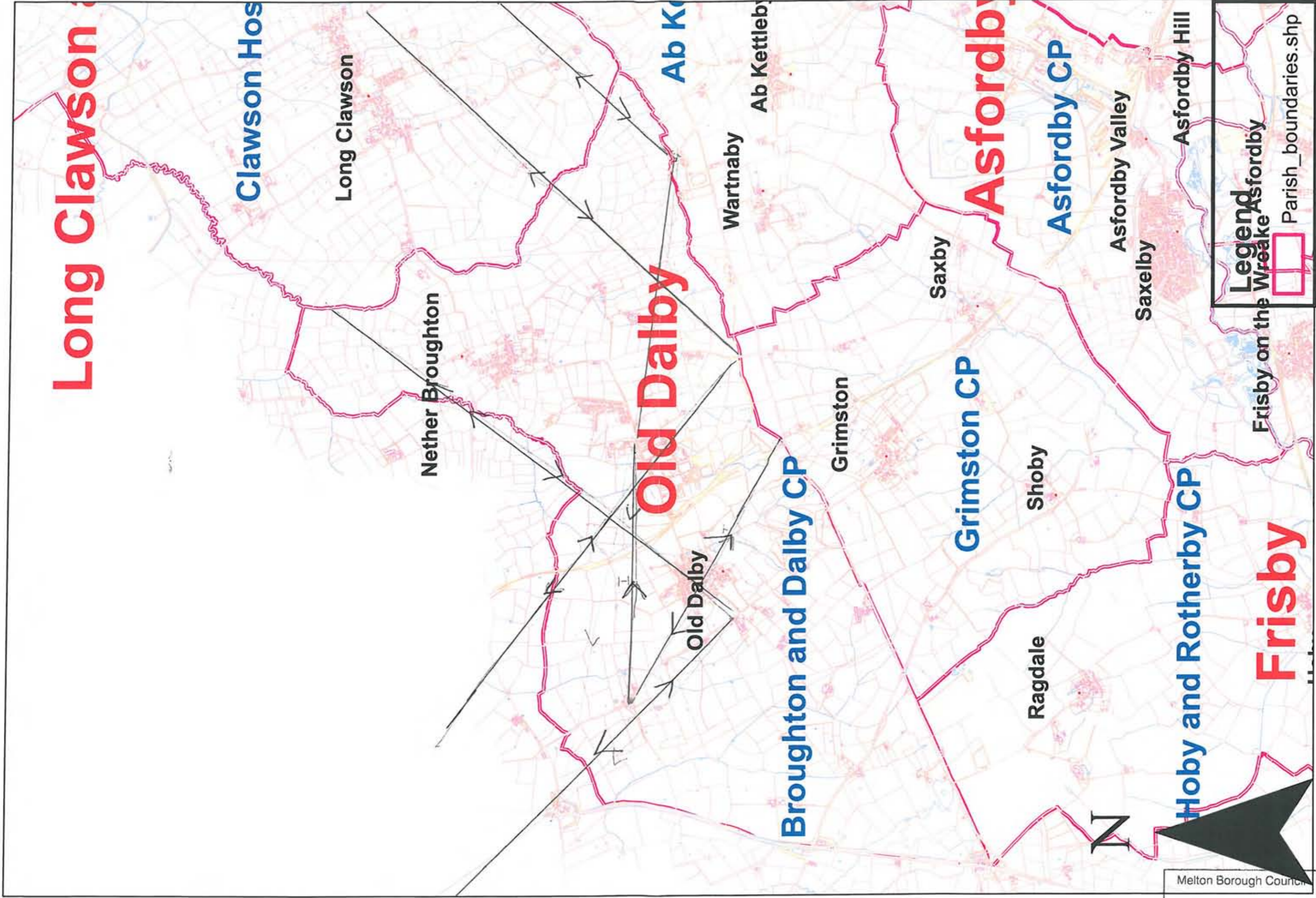
I refer to your letter of 16th August 2013 which was considered by the Parish Council at its meeting on Wednesday 21st August 2013.

They identified four important view points, which have been identified on the map enclosed.

Yours sincerely,

Philip Challoner





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Barkestone Plungar and Redmile Parish Council - Response to consultation on important views – per MBC letter of 16/8/2013

The Parish of Barkestone Plungar and Redmile is in the heart of the Vale of Belvoir and has a strong rural character. It is characterised by its open expansive views, small traditional villages and the lack of urban and industrial features.

Choosing important views has been difficult as there are many magnificent views throughout the parish.

For the length of the Belvoir/Stathern Ridge there are superb, panoramic views across the Vale and beyond which must be amongst the very best, if not the best, in the District. On a clear day these stretch to some 30 miles.

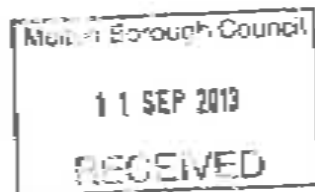
Dropping down from the ridge, the Vale flattens out and extends in the direction of the villages of Barkestone, Plungar and Redmile with large open fields, 360 degree views and 'big skies'. Looking back towards the ridge, the large expanse of woodlands and Belvoir Castle are a defining feature. Belvoir Castle is a nationally significant heritage asset and tourist attraction.

As you reach the villages, the Vale takes another step down and there are further significant views across the Vale, towards and past Whatton, Sutton, Granby, Barnstone etc.

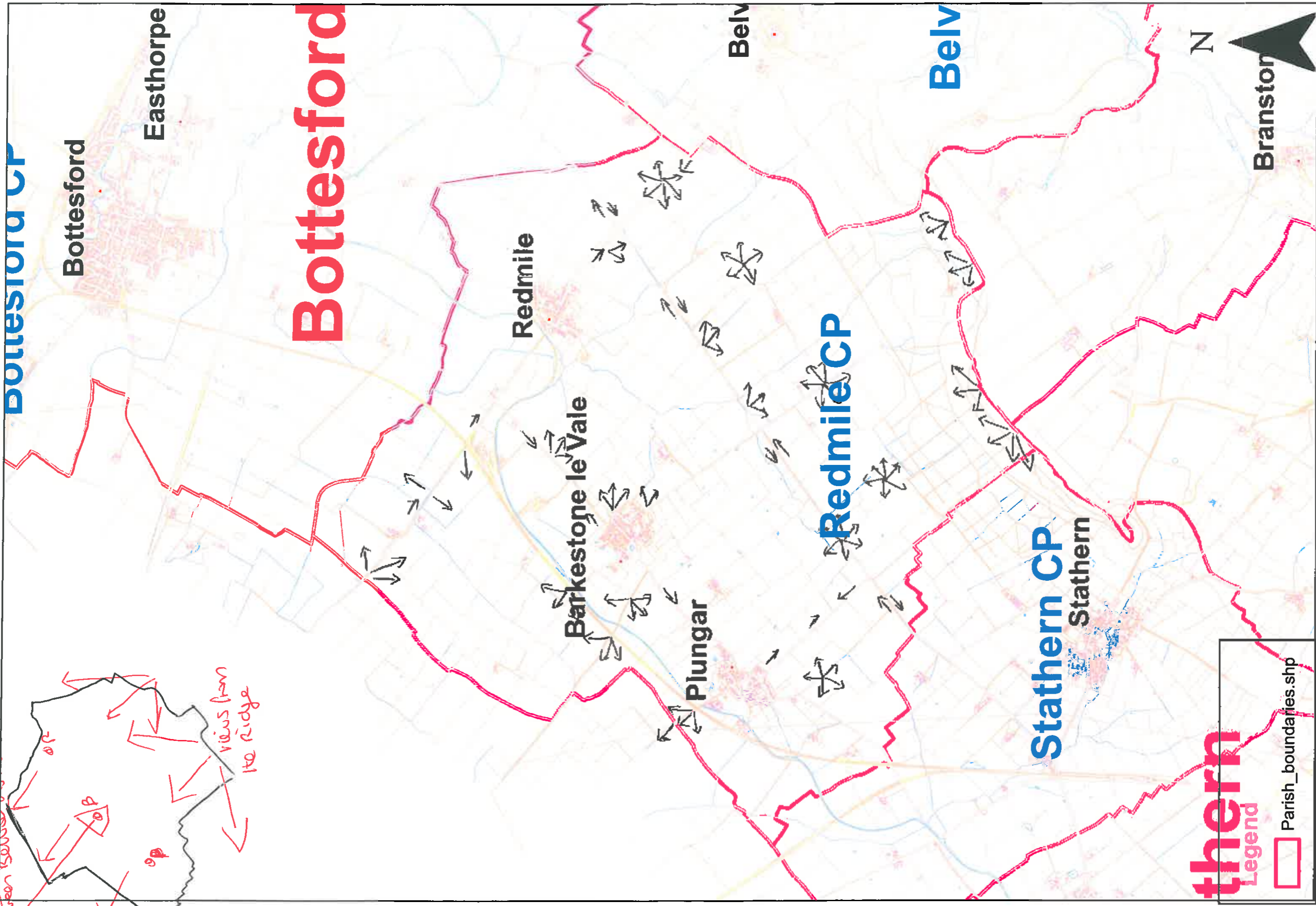
The parish is also noted for its long straight country lanes which follow a grid pattern. Along the length of these there are views of the Vale and the Belvoir/Stathern Ridge, many of which include the castle.

The Grantham canal runs through the parish, as do many footpaths. The general feeling is one of tranquility (see CPRE tranquility maps) within a traditional rural landscape.

The area is widely used for recreation (cycling, riding, walking and hunting etc) .



Views towards
Belvoir Castle & Ridge
between Botlesford & Statham



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Botlesford

Easthorpe

Redmile

Barkestone le Vale

Plungar

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Dear Sirs,

MELTON BOROUGH COUNCIL RENEWABLE WIND ENERGY GUIDANCE

The Parish Council considered your request at their last meeting, and would like to make the following comments.

1. The whole of Scalford village is in a dip, and from whichever way you approach it, the village can be seen on the landscape; from one viewpoint there are views right across to the other side of the village.
2. Chadwell is also in a bowl, and has similar viewpoints.
3. There are good views across to Wycomb from the Chadwell road.

Yours sincerely,

SueWatford

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**Katie Mills
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Dear Katie

Re Melton Borough Council Wind Energy Guidance

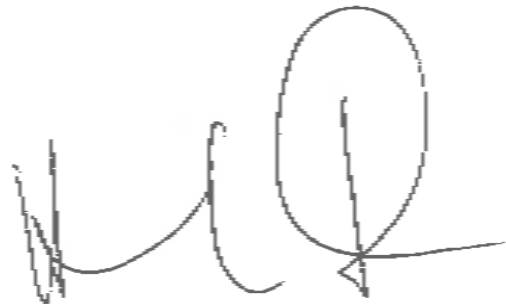
Further to your letter dated 16th August re. the above I now respond on behalf of Somerby Parish Council.

I enclose the map suitably annotated. Because of the topography I have not been able to shade in an area as originally discussed. Instead I have marked in a ridge (in reality a series of ridges which follow, roughly the line indicated) on which we would not like to see any wind turbines. This ridge effectively dominates the parish and any turbine sited on it blights and dominates the view from a large part of the parish.

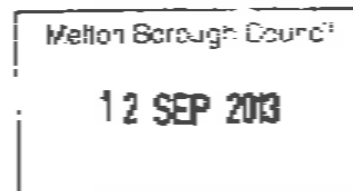
I hope this makes sense, but should there be any issues then please do not hesitate to contact me.

We look forward to meeting with the consultants when they visit the parish; no doubt we will be informed of this well in advance?

Best wishes



HOWARD BLAKEBROUGH
Somerby Parish Council



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Dear Ms Mills,

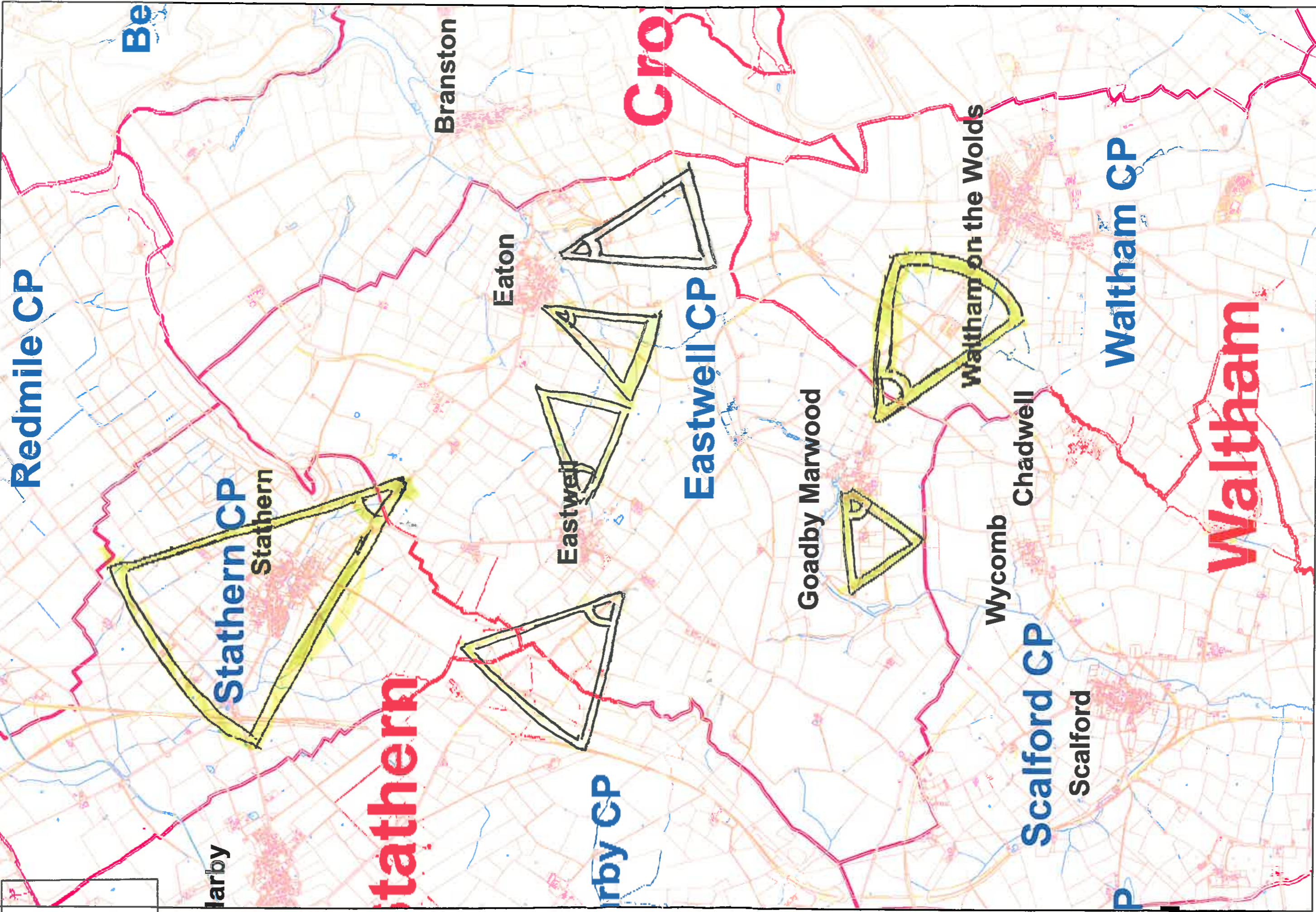
Please find enclosed the map with viewpoints from Sproxton Parish Council. Please excuse the delay, but we did not have a council meeting till recently and so were not able to properly discuss the issue.

Yours sincerely



Penny Ringrose

Clerk to Sproxton Parish Council



Melton Borough Council
16 SEP 2013

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Redmile CP

Marby

Stather CP
Stather

Stather

Branston

Eaton

Eastwell

Marby CP

Eastwell CP

Goadby Marwood

Wycomb

Scaford CP
Scaford

Chadwell

Waltham on the Wolds

Waltham CP

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Appendix 5 Landmarks and Views identified by Borough Councillors

The maps in this Appendix were produced by borough councillors from both Councils in June 2014 to highlight landmarks (pink highlighter), visitor locations and viewpoints (green highlighter) and views (black arrows) that are considered important to the Members.

These maps were used to inform an objective assessment on views as part of the study. The maps show the views of only a few people and are therefore not representative of all the valued views across the two boroughs. However, general patterns were recognisable from the maps: for instance, many areas identified as being important are grouped around the Belvoir ridge, Knipton Bowl and Belvoir Castle.





