OLP2040 Site assessment proforma (including Sustainability Appraisal)

Site name	Hill View Farm (Formerly known as Green Belt Land at Cherwell Valley/Old Marston, (southern part of previous site 112), (includes Hill View Farm) Green Belt Parcel 1)	Site location plan Hill View Farm Allot Gdns
HELAA reference and OLP2036 Policy (if applicable)	112a1 SP25	
Ward	Marston	
Site size	3.52ha	
Existing use	Greenbelt agricultural buildings.	

Stage 1 assessment – are there any clear conflicts with national planning policy and/or any insurmountable environmental or physical constraints?

Assessment criteria	Outcome	Comments
Is the site an SAC or SSSI?	No	
Is the site greenfield in flood zone 3b?	No	
Is the site area less than 0.25ha?	No	
Is the site already at an advanced stage in the planning process (development commenced)?	No	Planning application and resolution to grant permission (20/03034/FUL).
Stage 1 conclusion		

No clear conflicts with national policy or insurmountable environmental or physical constraints. Continue to stage 2 assessment.

Stage 2 assessment – Qualitative assessment of deliverability (incorporating Sustainability Appraisal)

SA Objective 1: To achieve the city's ambition to reach net zero carbon emissions by 2040. *See SA Objective 8 for decision-making criteria*

SA Objective	SA Objective 2: To build resilience to climate change, including reducing risks from overheating, flooding and the resulting detriment to well-being, the economy and the environment.	
Decision-	Is the use proposed suitable given the flood zone of the site?	
making criteria		
	SA rating	Comments
What flood	0	The site is located entirely within Flood Zone 1.
zone is the site		
in		
Flooding of land	0	There is safe access/egress from the site – land surrounding site is
surrounding site		Flood Zone 1.
for access/		
egress		

SA Objective	SA Objective 3: To encourage the efficient use of land through good design and layout, and minimise the use of greenfield and Green Belt land		
Decision-making	Will the site	Will the site make use of previously developed land/buildings?	
criteria	Will the site be on Green Belt land?		
	SA rating	Comments	
Previously	0	The site is a mix of greenfield/brownfield. Would make use of	
developed land		previously developed land to some extent, depending on design and	
		layout of development.	
Green Belt	0	Site is not on Green Belt land (was formerly).	

SA Objective	SA Objective 4: To meet local housing needs by ensuring that everyone has the opportunity to live in a decent affordable home	
Decision-making	Will the site provide significant quantities of net new housing?	
criteria	Will it impr	ove the availability of decent affordable housing?
	SA rating	Comments
Housing	++	Site estimated to provide 159 dwellings.
provision		
Affordable	T	Depends on implementation but will have to comply with affordable
housing		housing policy.
provision		

SA Objective	SA Objective 5: To reduce poverty, social exclusion, and health inequalities
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Decision-making criteria	Will it improve opportunities for people in the most deprived areas?	
	SA rating	Comments
Regeneration	0	Site not within one of the most deprived areas of Oxford.
areas		

SA Objective	SA Objective 6: To provide accessible essential services and facilities	
Decision-making	Will it increase the provision of essential services and facilities?	
criteria		
	SA rating	Comments
Community	1	Site not allocated for community facilities, although could be
facilities		provision of parks etc. But depends on implementation.

See also SA Objective 8

SA Objective	SA Objective 7: To provide adequate green and blue infrastructure, leisure and recreation opportunities and make these readily accessible for all; and to conserve and enhance Oxford's biodiversity	
Decision-making	Will it increase the provision of public open space?	
criteria	Will it protect and enhance existing flora, fauna and habitats?	
	SA rating	Comments
Public open	1	Depends on implementation.
space		
Ecology and	0	Site is within 100m of G4 Protected Allotments (Mill Lane
biodiversity		Allotments) and adjacent to Green Belt land.

SA Objective	SA objective 8: To reduce traffic and associated air pollution by improving travel choice, shortening journeys and reducing the need to travel by car/ lorry (also SA objective 1: To achieve the city's ambition to reach net zero carbon emissions by 2040)	
Decision-making	Will it enco	urage walking cycling and use of public transport?
criteria	Is the site w	vithin an Air Quality Management Area?
	SA rating	Comments
Sustainable	+	The site is exactly a 10-minute walk (800m) from the nearest bus
transport links		stop. However, services are limited with only one bus (14A) every 30
(bus stop)		minutes.
Sustainable	-	The site is over 5000m from Oxford Train Station.
transport links		
(rail station)		
Primary schools	-	The site is more than 800m away from the nearest primary school.
Secondary	-	The site is more than 800m away from the nearest secondary school.
schools		
GP surgeries	-	The site is more than 800m away from the nearest GP surgery.
Post office	-	The site is more than 800m away from the nearest post office.

Air quality -	-	An AQMA covers the whole city.
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SA Objective	SA Objective 9: To achieve water quality targets and manage water resources	
Decision-making	Does the site contain, or is it near, a water body?	
criteria		
	SA rating	Comments
Water	0	Site is not within 30m of a body of water.

SA Objective	SA Objective 10: To promote good urban design through the protection and enhancement of the historic environment and heritage assets while respecting local character and context and promoting innovation.		
Decision-making	Does the site contain any historical, or archaeological features?		
criteria			
	SA rating	Comments	
Archaeology	0	Site is not of archaeological interest.	
Conservation	0	Site lies outside of a conservation area.	
Areas & Register			
of Parks and			
Gardens (RPG)			
Listed Buildings	0	The site is not within close proximity to a listed building.	
View Cones	0	The site lies outside of the city's view cones.	
High Buildings	0	The site is not within the city's High Buildings Area.	
Area			

SA Objective Decision-making	SA Objective 11: To achieve sustainable inclusive economic growth, including the development and expansion of a diverse and knowledge-based economy and the culture/leisure/ visitor sector		
•	Will it support key sectors that drive economic growth?		
criteria	Will it increase the quantity and quality of employment opportunities?		
	SA rating	Comments	
Support the	0	No change.	
knowledge-			
based economy			
Support	0	No change.	
diversification or			
affordable			
workspace			

Other constraints which could affect suitability of site for development				
Can access for vehicles be achieved?	Vehicle access to the site already exists but will require improvements.			
Can walking and cycling connections with the	There are some existing pedestrian and cycle connections but again these will need to be improved.			

surrounding area be achieved?	
Does the site include any significant physical features such as trees, rivers/streams or changes in ground level?	No significant physical features identified.
Are land contamination issues likely?	Current land use suggests that land contamination issues are unlikely.
Does the site adjoin a sensitive land use? Is there an adjoining land use that may cause disturbance or environmental issues such as noise or smells?	The site adjoins a railway line/ring road/large scale industrial use. Mitigation may be required to minimise impacts.

Stage 2 conclusion

The key conclusions at this stage are:

- Mitigation of neighbouring land uses
- Sustainable transport connections need to be improved

The site scores well against the criteria. Continue to Stage 3 assessment.

Stage 3 assessment – Qualitative assessment of deliverability and consideration of potential sustainability impacts. Identification of preferred options

Is there confirmed landowner intention to develop	Yes. Adopted site allocation and planning permission (20/03034/FUL) indicates intention to develop.
Does the landowner specify types of development	Residential development.

Stage 3 conclusion					
Allocate for residential.					
No employment use proposed.					