

- Farmsteads and other commercial/industrial buildings.

The Study Area

- 6.37 In accordance with GLVIA3 the study area should include the site itself and the full extent of the wider landscape around it which the proposed development may influence in a perceptual or visual manner. This is typically based on the extent of character areas and landscape resources likely to be significantly affected either directly or indirectly, although this can also be based on the extent of the area from which the development is potentially visible, defined as the Zone of Theoretical Visibility ("ZTV"), or a combination of the two. On this basis, the assessment will consider a 5km study area around the site. This is deemed to be proportionate and appropriate.
- 6.38 Based on initial fieldwork and desktop analysis, 15 representative viewpoints have been selected to assess the effects on visual receptors. The viewpoint locations are described in Table 6.1 below. A viewpoint location plan is located at **Appendix II** which illustrated the position and direction of each representative viewpoint. We invite SLC to confirm that the extent and number of viewpoints is acceptable.

Table 6.1: Proposed Viewpoint Locations

No.	Description	Receptor	Designation / Context	Approx. Distance from the Site
1.	Carlisle Road B7078, at the junction of Candermill Road	Motorists, cyclists and pedestrians	Green Belt	1.4km
2.	Carlisle Road B7078, at the entrance to Dovesdale Farm / W Hamilton	Motorists, cyclists and pedestrians	Green Belt Right of Way	0.47km
3.	Carlisle Road B7078, at the entrance to Whitehill	Motorists, cyclists and pedestrians	Green Belt	0.51 km
4.	Lockhart Street, Stonehouse	Motorists, cyclists and pedestrians	Settlement boundary	1.80km

No.	Description	Receptor	Designation / Context	Approx. Distance from the Site
		Residents of Stonehouse		
5.	Murray Drive, Stonehouse	Motorists, cyclists and pedestrians Residents of Stonehouse	Settlement Boundary	1.83km
6.	Core Path HM/2520/1	Users of core path	Green Belt Core Path Right of Way	0.83km
7.	Spital Road and National Cycle Route 74, opposite Westtown	Motorists, cyclists and pedestrians Residents of Westtown Farm	Green Belt National Cycle Route	1.49km
8.	Access to Dovesdale Farm / W Hamilton and Wider Network Route HM/3658/1	Motorists accessing Dovesdale Farm / W Hamilton Users of Wider Network Route HM/3658/1	Green Belt Wider Network Route	0.81 km
9.	Spital Road and National Cycle Route 74, at the entrance to Spital House	Motorists, cyclists and pedestrians	Green Belt National Cycle Route	0.77km

No.	Description	Receptor	Designation / Context	Approx. Distance from the Site
10.	Spital Road and National Cycle Route 74, opposite Tanhill	Motorists, cyclists and pedestrians Residents of Tanhill Farm	Rural Area National Cycle Route	1.04km
11.	Udston Road and Wider Network Route HM/4342/1	Motorists, cyclists and pedestrians Users of wider network route	Green Belt Right of Way	2.15km
12.	Dykehead Road and Wider Network Route HM/4337/1	Motorists, cyclists and pedestrians Users of wider network route	Green Belt Right of Way	2.62km
13.	Strathaven Road B7086 and Core Path CL/3288/1, opposite Bent Primary School	Motorists, cyclists and pedestrians Users of core path School pupils and staff	Rural Area Core Path	3.24km
14.	Hunterlees Road	Motorists, cyclists and pedestrians	Special Landscape Area	4.2km
15.	Users of Cander Moss SSSI	Visitors and workers of the private wildlife resource	Green Belt	0.49km

6.39 The ZTV mapping indicates that views of the proposed development are theoretically possible over greater distances than 5km based on 'bare earth' mapping. However, given the undulating nature of the surrounding landform and the influence of existing visual barriers such as vegetation and buildings, visibility of the site and proposed development is likely to be far less. Given the nature of the context of the site, which is surrounded by other tall vertical structures, including high voltage overhead powerlines, wind turbines and small wind farms, it is unlikely that the proposed development will have a significant visual effect on views beyond a 5km study area radius. Therefore, the following three long-distance viewpoints are proposed for completeness and due to the sensitive nature of the visual receptor locations:

Table 6.2: Potential Distant Viewpoint Locations

No.	Description	Receptor	Designation	Approx. Distance from the Site
16.	Summit of Black Hill, Lesmahagow	Visitors to Scheduled Monument	Scheduled Monument	5.90km
17.	Nemphlar Moor Road, Carluke	Motorists, cyclists and pedestrians	Border of Lee Castle GDL	7.10km
18.	Monument at site of birthplace of General Roy, Milton Road, Milton Head	Motorists, cyclists and pedestrians Visitors to monument	Local cultural heritage	5.85km

6.40 In accordance with GLVIA3, the production of visualisations (photomontages) can be used to assist in demonstrating the ability of a site to assimilate development and to illustrate the effectiveness of mitigation measures. It is therefore proposed that photomontages will be used to inform and support the LVIA / EIA Chapter.

6.41 The visualisations are to be produced in accordance with the 'TGN 06/19 Visual Representation of development proposals', published by the Landscape Institute and will be based on accurate 3D modelling information supplied by the scheme designers. Strategic mitigation planting will be illustrated as necessary, at years 1 (completion), 5 and year 10.