# Winchfield's Key Views Introduction

Michelle Bolger Expert Landscape Consultancy was commissioned by Winchfield Parish Council (WPC) to identify and describe Key Views within the Parish as part of the evidence base for the emerging Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) Review. It is anticipated that future development proposals will respect the views identified in this report and enhance them wherever possible. In this way the identification of Key Views will help to conserve Winchfield's distinctive character and sense of place.

A Key View is defined as a view which allows Winchfield's landscape qualities to be easily appreciated. The views are all from publicly accessible locations. Landscape qualities are characteristics of the landscape that are valued. They contribute positively to the distinctive character and sense of place within the Parish and should be conserved and enhanced.

# **Approach**

- Winchfield's overarching landscape qualities were identified based on the findings of the Winchfield Landscape Character Assessment and information provided by the Parish working group.
- In consultation with the Parish working group, 26 Key Views were identified. The basis for identification was a requirement for the view to be publicly accessible and for it to illustrate Winchfield's landscape qualities.
- A site visit was undertaken to confirm and record the Key Views. Details regarding the location, accessibility, and landscape qualities were recorded via written description, GPS data and photography.
- Each view is represented by a single frame image which shows the key focus of the view, and by a panoramic photograph which shows the wider context of the view.
- Each view represents an experience. The views are not intended to represent a static snapshot. What matters is the contribution of the views to the experience and appreciation of Winchfield's landscape qualities.

• The landscape of Winchfield is relatively complex. Development is infrequent and dispersed in clusters across the Parish and there is no clear 'village centre'. A high coverage of woodland combined with a gentle topography means that views are often localised, and focused. There are few long-distance views. The dispersal of distinctive buildings and high coverage of woodland has led to a larger number of Key Views being identified than might otherwise be the case in a less wooded Parish with a single village.

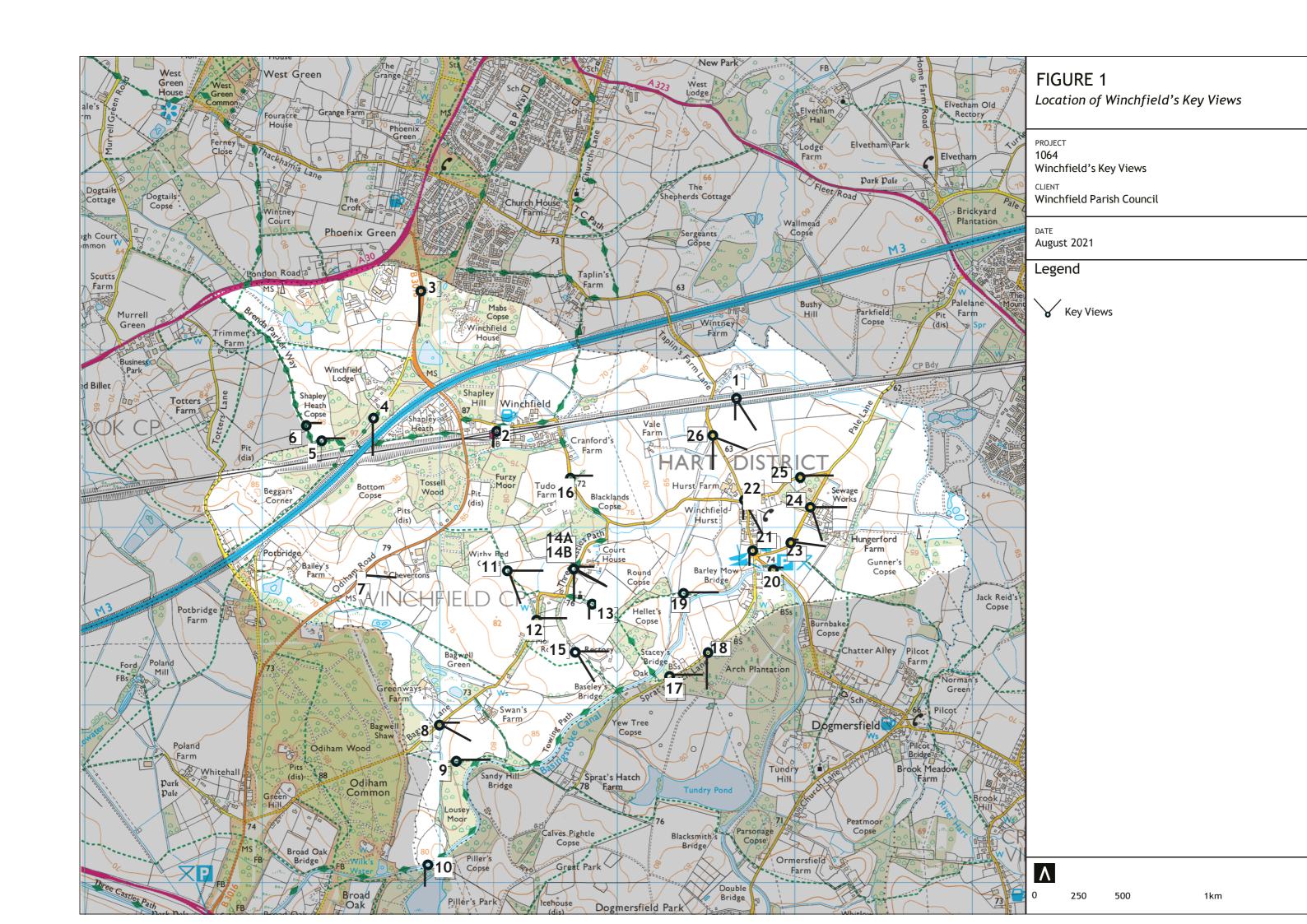
# Winchfield's Landscape Qualities

Winchfield's landscape qualities are a list of the characteristics that contribute most significantly and positively to the distinctive character and sense of place of the Parish.

- A development pattern consisting of infrequent and dispersed residential clusters.
- A sense of being within an extensive area of rural countryside.
- A mosaic of farmland and woodland in which Ancient Woodland is a particularly rich and distinctive feature.
- Localised concentrations of woodland which contribute to a wooded and rural character.
- A network of attractive rural lanes flanked by unmown grassy verges, hedgerows and trees. In places, the roadside trees connect overhead to create attractive 'tunnels' of canopy vegetation.
- Locally distinctive areas of heathland found where there is a sandy formation.
- Locally distinctive areas of water meadow and riparian vegetation within the floodplains of the two rivers corridors which flank the Parish.
- Areas which have retained an historic landscape pattern featuring an ancient network of woodlands and hedgerows intermixed with an historic pattern of clustered farms, historic buildings and interconnecting rural lanes and footpaths.
- A strong sense of history derived from a prevalence of heritage assets (both within and neighbouring the Parish), which

include Conservation Areas surrounding the Parish on three sides and the outstanding Grade I Norman St Mary's Church (the oldest Grade I listed building in Hart). Dispersal of historic buildings creates 'hidden treasures' within the landscape.

- Dispersed farms which feature listed buildings that have retained a rural setting and a strong association with the countryside.
- Attractive buildings constructed in the vernacular style of mid red brick (which was dug and kilned around the edges of Shapley Heath), and roofs mainly of local red tiles with some slate. Winchfield Court has a distinctive architectural style associated with previous use of the buildings
- Distinctive areas of former parkland and remnant estate buildings including within the Parish (associated with Winchfield House) and alongside the Parish (Dogmersfield Park).
- The Basingstoke Canal, which is the focus of the Basingstoke Canal Conservation Area and SSSI designation. The canal and its attractive rural setting are also highly valued for recreation. Historic buildings alongside the canal and structures associated with the canal provide special historic interest.
- A network of public rights of way which includes a section of the Three Castles Path, the Brenda Parker Way, and King Alfred's Way (cycling route).





# VIEW 1 Train Between Fleet & Winchfield

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August 2021

# Photograph Information

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# VIEW 2 Arriving at Winchfield Station



Project 1064 Winchfield's Key Views

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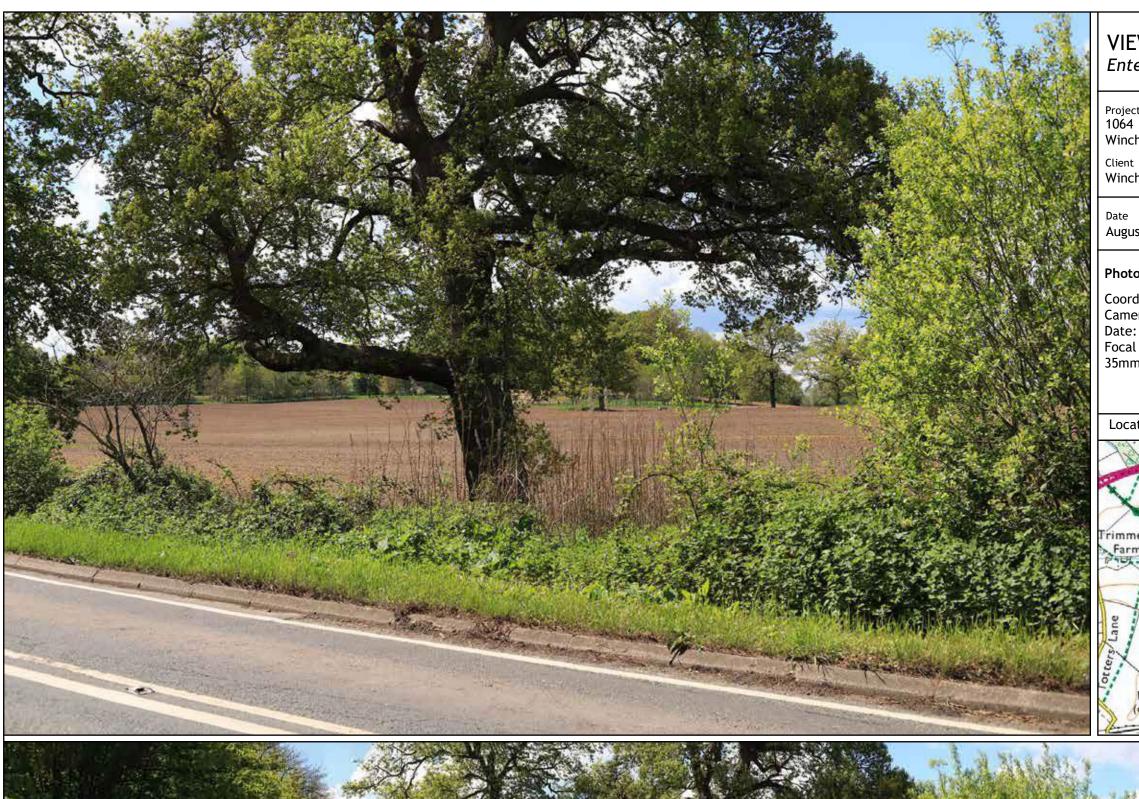
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# VIEW 3 Entering Winchfield Parish on B3016



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August 2021

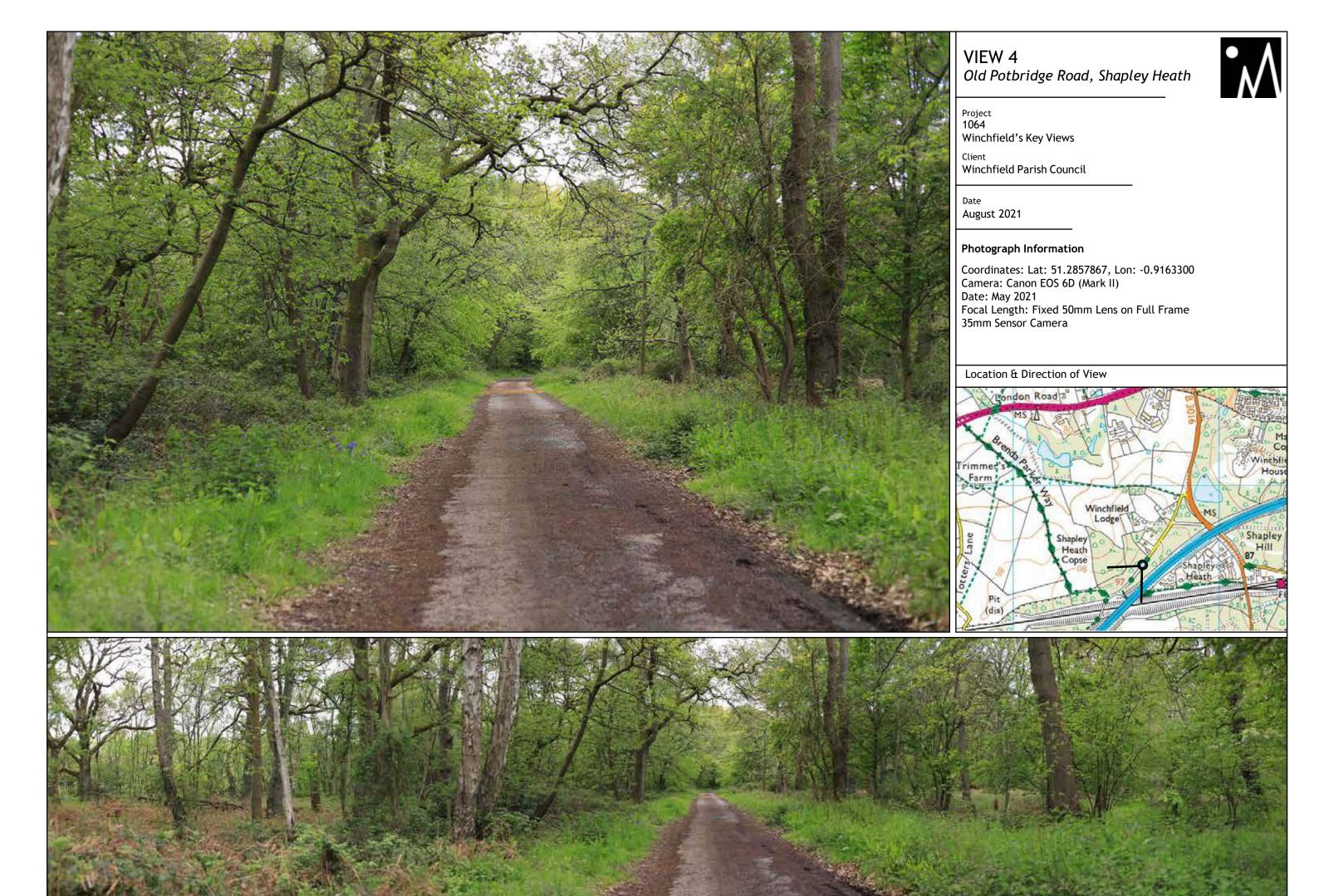
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# Entering Winchfield Parish on B3016



Focal Length: Fixed 50mm Lens on Full Frame







# VIEW 8 Entering Winchfield on Bagwell Lane



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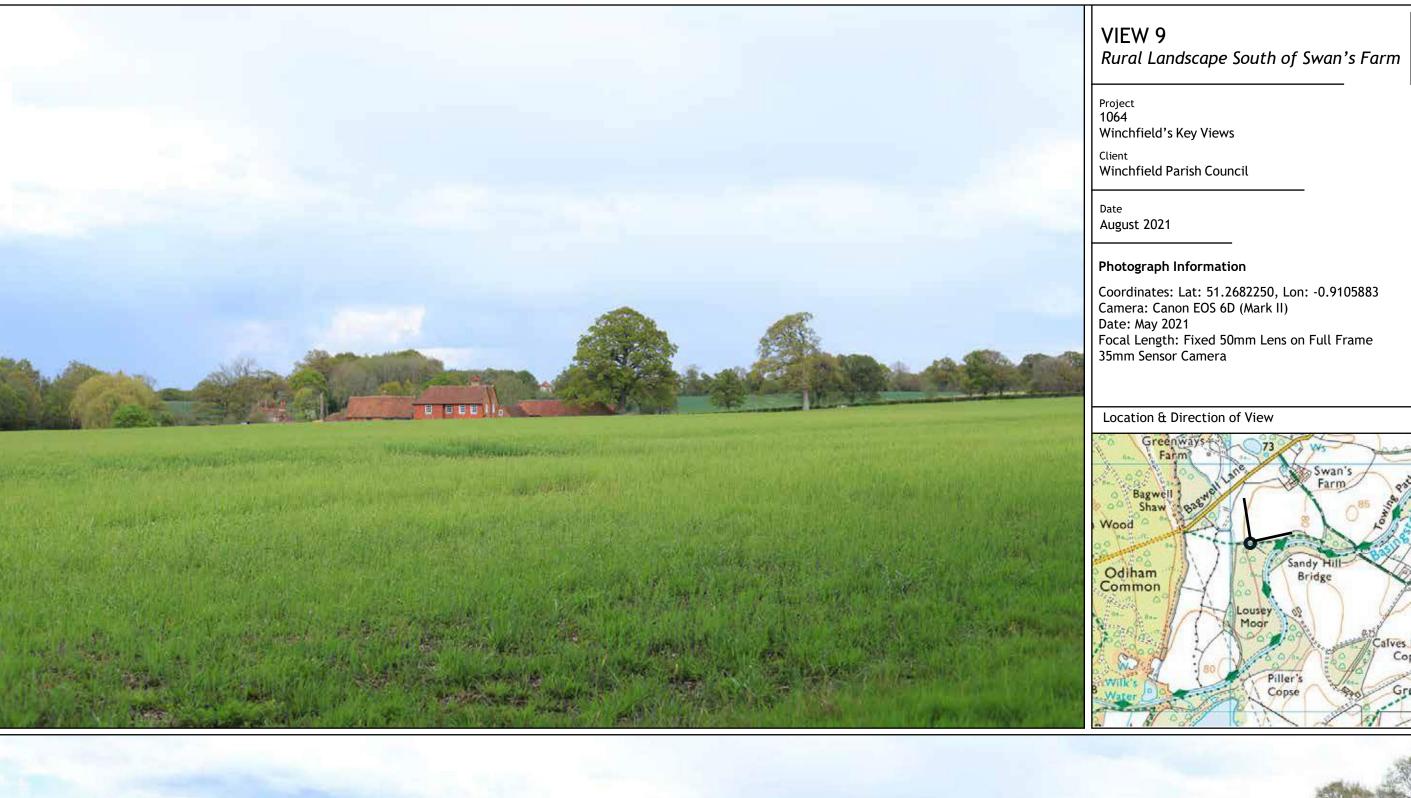
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Southern Boundary of Winchfield Parish

Winchfield's Key Views

Winchfield Parish Council

August 2021

#### Photograph Information

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# Landscape West of St Mary's Church



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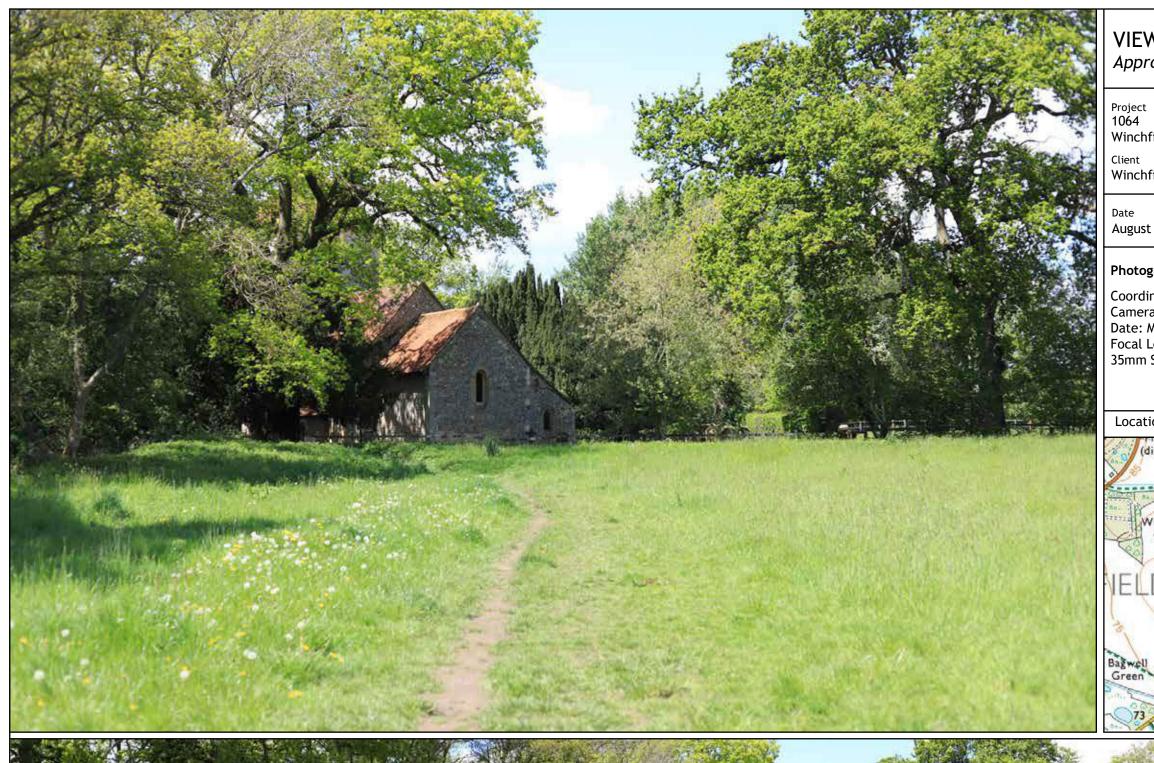
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# VIEW 13 Approaching St Mary's Church



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## Photograph Information

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# VIEW 14B Bagwell Lane (Court House)



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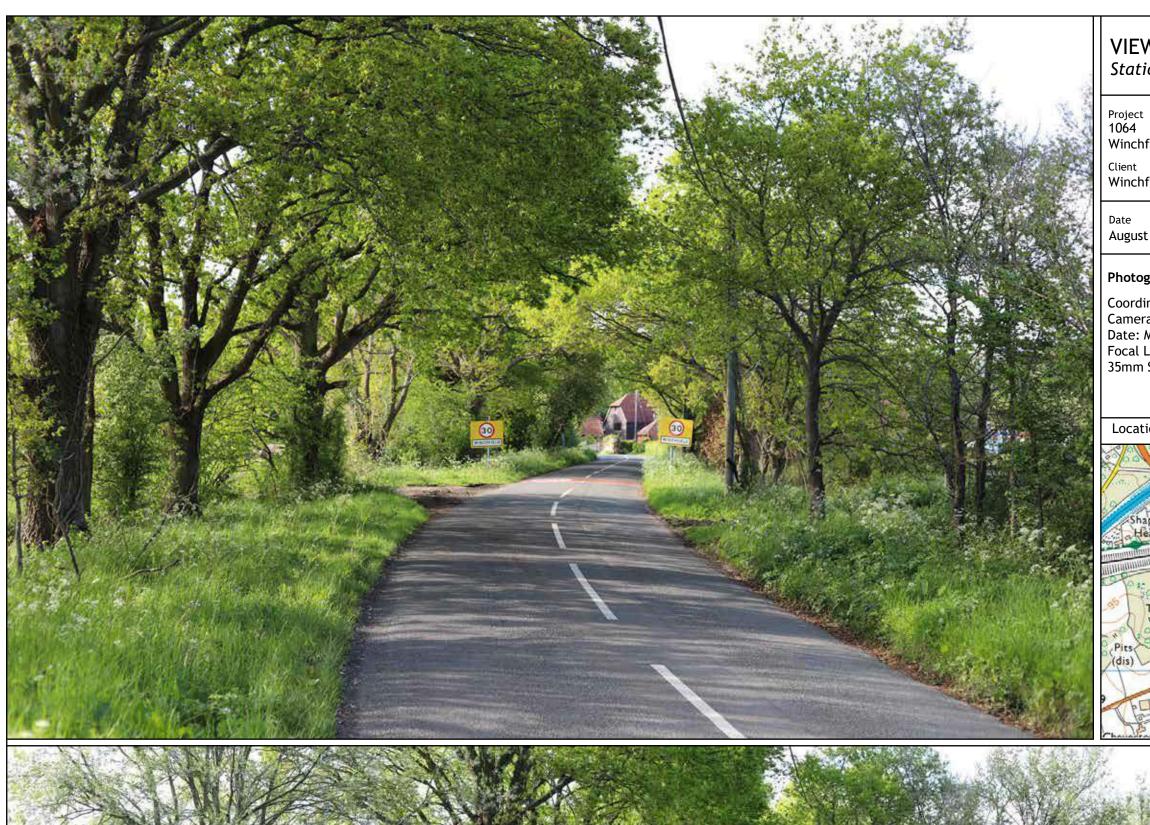
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# **VIEW 16** Station Road

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Entering Winchfield from Sprats Hatch Ln



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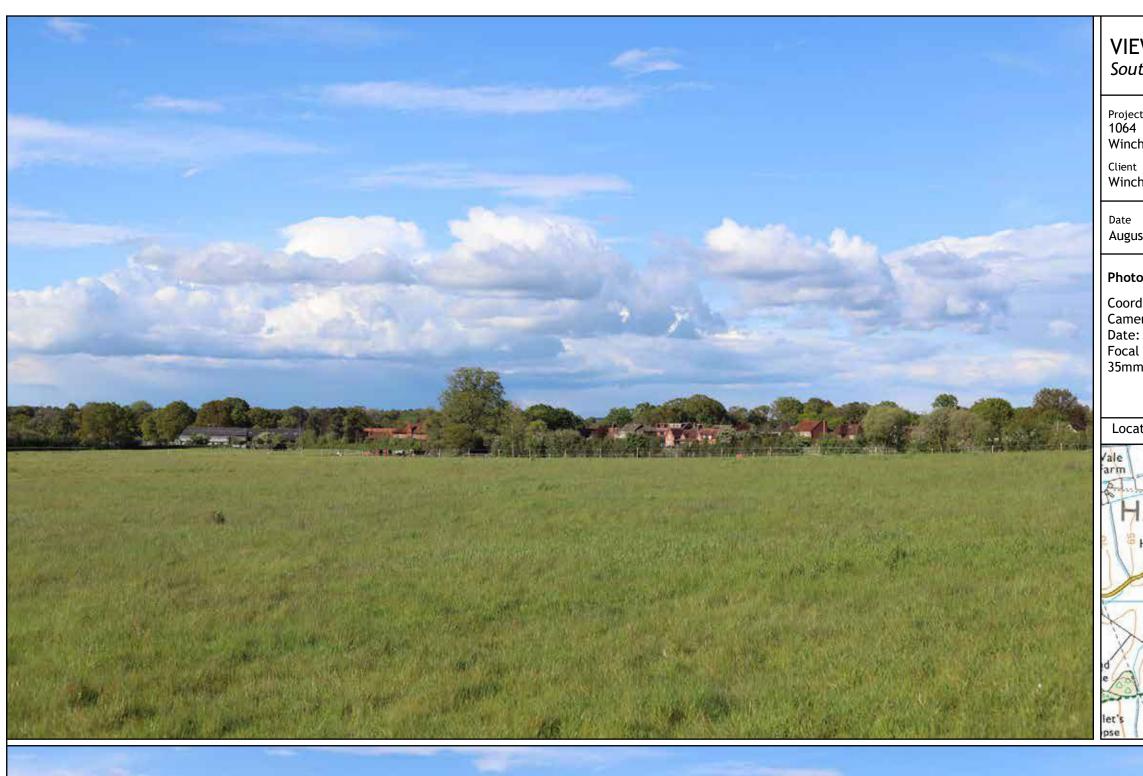
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# **VIEW 19** South West of Winchfield Hurst

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# Photograph Information

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# **VIEW 21** Southern End of Winchfield Hurst

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# Photograph Information

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# Entering Winchfield Hurst from North



Winchfield's Key Views

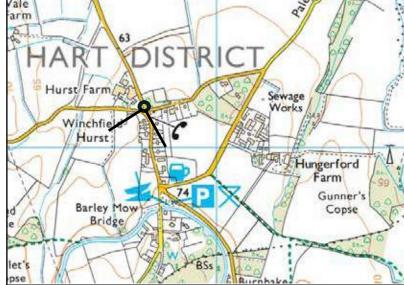
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# **VIEW 24** Winchfield Court



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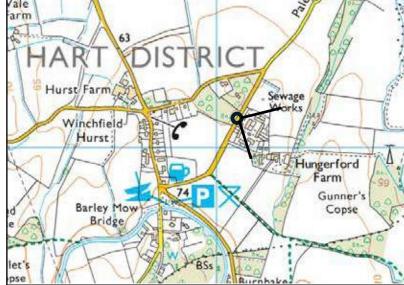
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# VIEW 25 Lane East of Winchfield Hurst



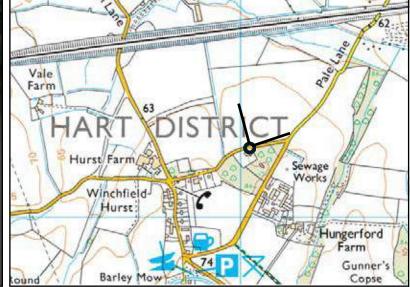
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# VIEW 26 Taplins Farm Lane



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# Photograph Information

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