

## LITTLE MILTON NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN APPENDIX C

### PROTECTION OF VIEWS - May 2017

#### PURPOSE

The report documents the views into and out of Little Milton with accompanying illustrations, photos and text to show how these local views, which are all publicly accessible, make the place special. This assessment will be shared with residents for their feedback before being finalised as a key part of the evidence base for Little Milton's Neighbourhood Development Plan. The information in this report is intended to provide the evidence to inform future planning decisions.

#### INTRODUCTION

Any development must maintain the local character of the landscape and not cause unacceptable loss or diminution of significant views that currently provide open aspects or views both within and outside the village. Except where views are entirely localised, all development proposals must be accompanied by a Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment and must demonstrate low or negligible impact on landscape views.

Certain specific views in the parish are of special significance to the local community. These include:

- views looking into the village from outside
- views of iconic landmarks from points either in the village or from footpaths within the parish

The viewpoints for all the views designated in this assessment are accessible to the public.

#### METHOD

This report was prepared by the NDP Steering Group and shared with the community at open events in April 2017 for their feedback. Whilst not nearly so extensive in scope, this report uses similar methodology to that used in the *London Views Management Framework: Supplementary Planning Guidance March 2012*<sup>1</sup> and also Natural England's *An Approach to Landscape Character Assessment*.

All the views are shown from specific viewpoints which are defined by their Latitude and Longitude and also Ordnance Survey grid reference. The viewpoint is then shown on a map and the important view is delineated by a field of view defined on the map. Where applicable, the field of view is drawn only as far as the parish boundary, marked in blue, as this assessment cannot define protected fields of view which lie outside the neighbourhood plan area ie. the parish boundary.

Photographs of the important views are also shown. Unless otherwise indicated on the photograph, the horizontal limits of the protected view are represented by the borders of the photograph.

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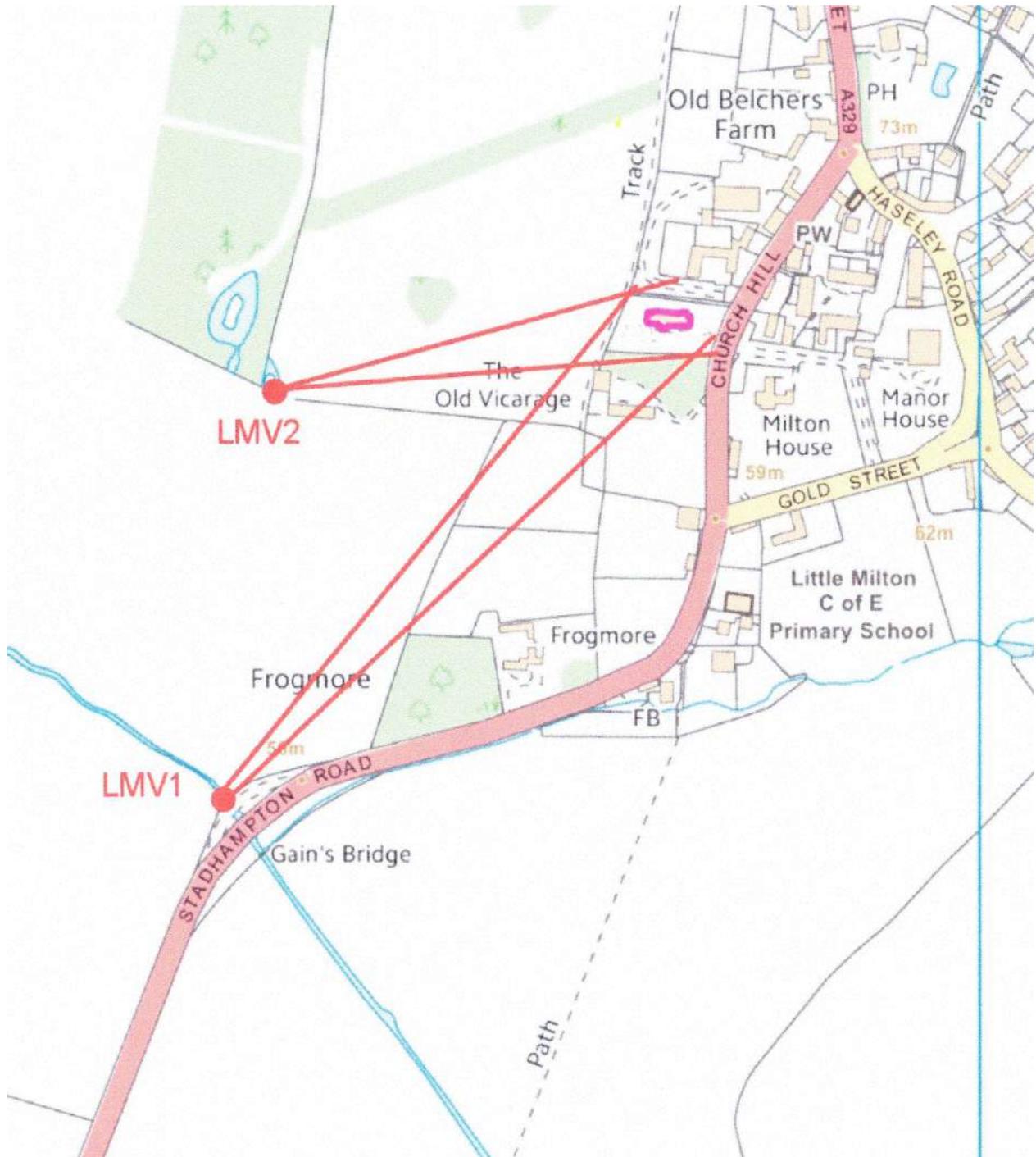
1 London Plan 2011 Mayor of London

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Photographs: Barry Coward

### VIEWS INTO THE VILLAGE OF LITTLE MILTON

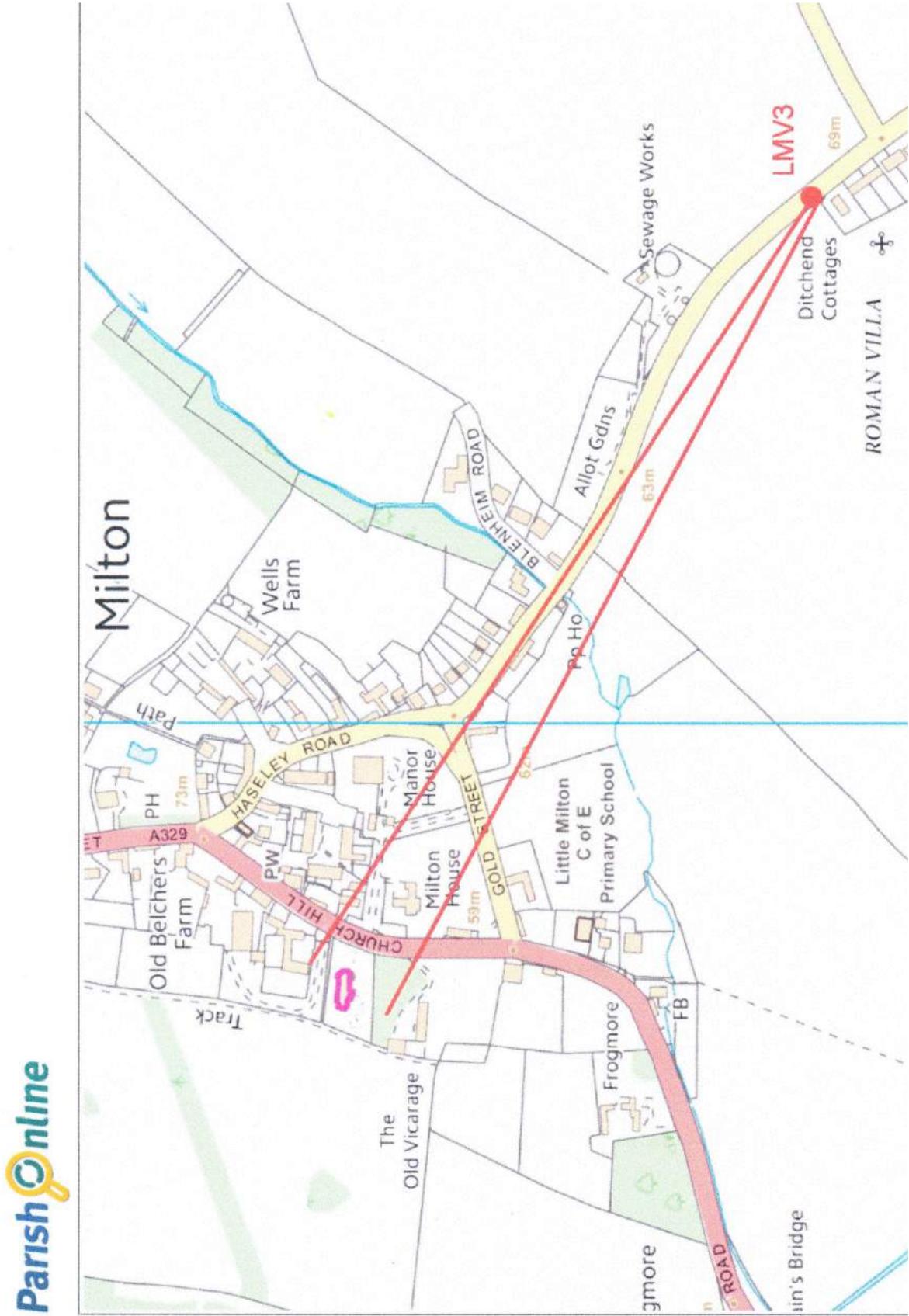


View	LMV1	
Description	Little Milton Parish Church from the South	
Viewpoint	Junction of Footpaths 280/2 and 280/4 adjacent to the lay-by on the A329	
Co-ordinates of Viewpoint	Latitude	Longitude
	N051.69921	W001.11166
OS grid reference	OS grid reference	
	SP 61491	00424
Comment	<p>When viewed from the south, much of the village is hidden behind trees. However, from this viewpoint the church on the western fringe of the village stands out prominently on the top of the hill. This view is across Green belt land.</p> <p>Note: The construction of a bypass road which would cross this view would not be deemed to obstruct the view.</p>	



View	LMV2	
Description	Little Milton Parish Church from the West	
Viewpoint	Footpath 280/3	
Co-ordinates of Viewpoint	Latitude	Longitude
	N051.70158	W001.11105
	OS grid reference	
	SP 61530	00688
Comment	<p>When walking up the slight rise towards the village along footpath 280/3, the view is shielded by trees until reaching this viewpoint. From here the church stands out prominently on the top of the hill. This view is across green Belt land.</p> <p>Note: The construction of a bypass road which would cross this view would not be deemed to obstruct the view.</p>	

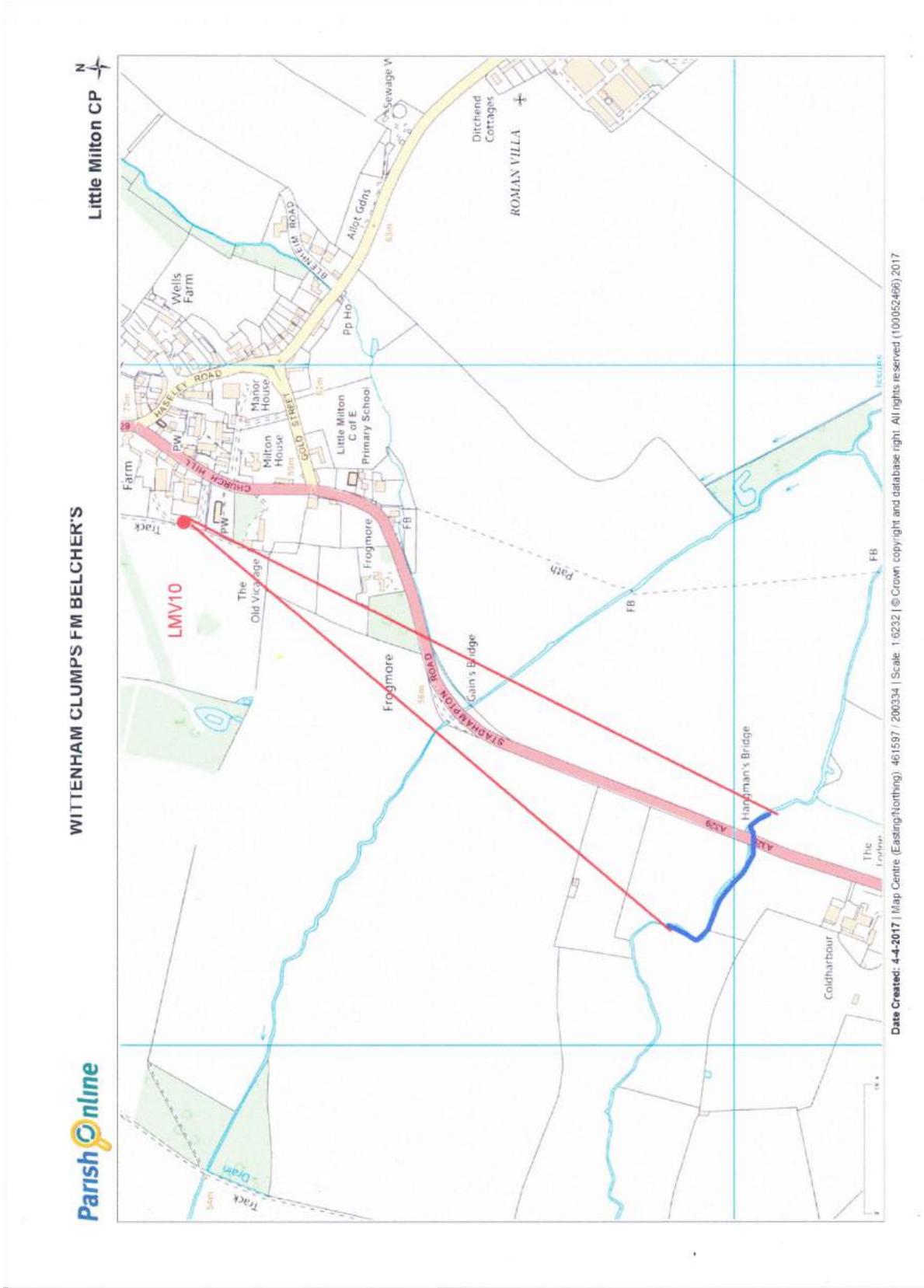




View	LMV3	
Description	Little Milton Parish Church from Ditchend  Note: the view is to the church and proportionate development on the lower-lying intervening ground which lies below the line of the view to the church would not be considered to obstruct the view.	
Viewpoint	Haseley Road	
Co-ordinates of Viewpoint	Latitude	Longitude
	N051.69857	W001.09809
	OS grid reference	
	SP 62430	00365
Comment	When approaching the village by road from the east along Rofford Land and Haseley Road, as one clears Ditchend Farm cottages, the view is of the church standing out above the village.	

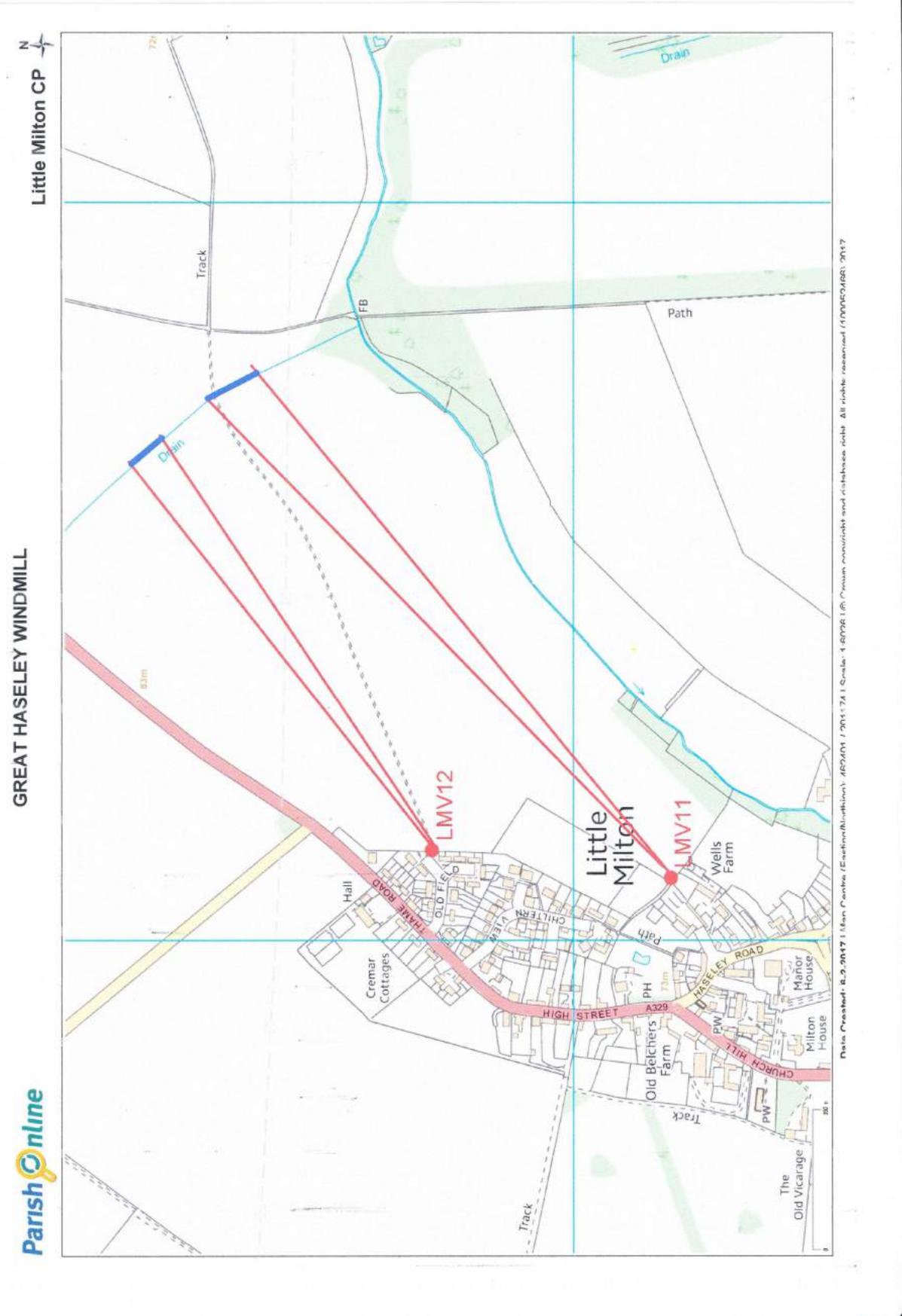


### VIEWS FROM THE VILLAGE TO ICONIC LANDMARKS



View	LMV10	
Description	Wittenham Clumps and the Sinodun Hills from the field gate at the rear of Belcher's Farm  Note: the view is to the distant hills and proportionate development on the lower-lying intervening ground which lies below the line of the view to the hills would not be considered to obstruct the view.	
Viewpoint	Footpath 280/2	
Co-ordinates of Viewpoint	Latitude	Longitude
	N051.70307	W001.10749
OS grid reference	OS grid reference	
	SP 61774	00857
Comment	Walking the path behind Belcher's Farm, there is the classic view of Wittenham Clumps and the Sinodun Hills to be seen in the distance from the field gate out across open fields. The view across land to the west of the main road is across Green Belt land.	



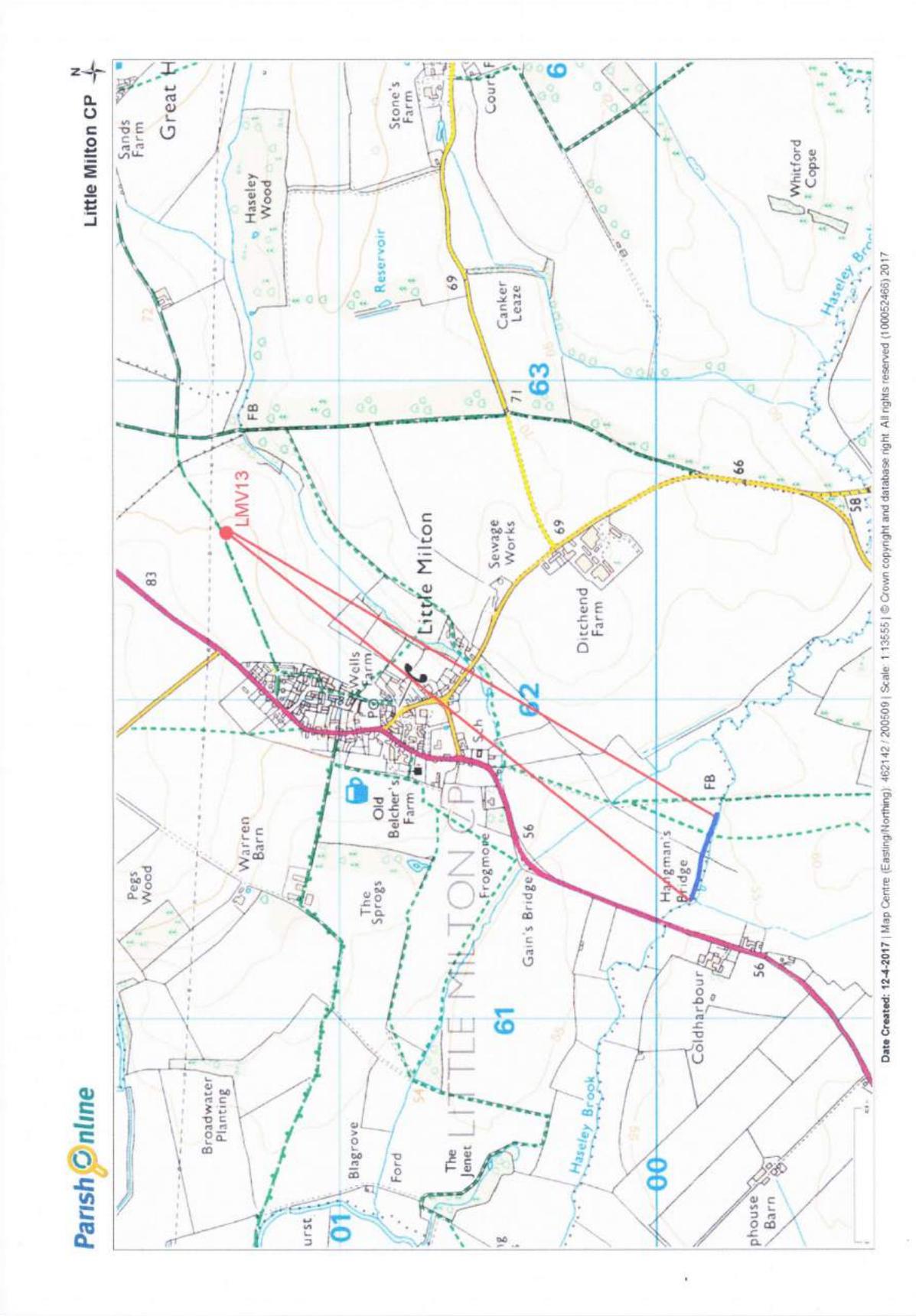


View	LMV11	
Description	Great Haseley Windmill from the back of Wells Farm House	
Viewpoint	Footpath 280/10	
Co-ordinates of Viewpoint	Latitude	Longitude
	N051.70308	W001.10288
	OS grid reference	
	SP 62092	00863
Comment	The windmill stands out clearly 3km away across the BBOWT Nature Reserve land to slightly rising ground	



View	LMV12	
Description	Great Haseley Windmill from the Bridle Path	
Viewpoint	Footpath 280/12	
Co-ordinates of Viewpoint	Latitude	Longitude
	N051.70610	W001.10230
	OS grid reference	
	SP 62128	01199
Comment	The view is from the start of the Bridle Path at Old Field. The windmill stands out clearly on slightly rising ground 3km away across BBOWT Nature Reserve land.	





View	LMV13	
Description	Wittenham Clumps and the Sinodun Hills from from the Bridle Path  Note: This view looks over houses in the village along the Haseley Road. The view is of the hills in the distance. Development below this view line will not be considered as obstruction of the view	
Viewpoint	Footpath 280/12	
Co-ordinates of Viewpoint	Latitude	Longitude
	N051.70738	W001.09710
OS grid reference	OS grid reference	
	SP 62486	01346
Comment	Walking towards the village along the Bridle Path, Wittenham Clumps and the Sinodun Hills stand out clearly in a gap in the trees ahead. The foreground of this view is across BBOWT Nature Reserve land.	

