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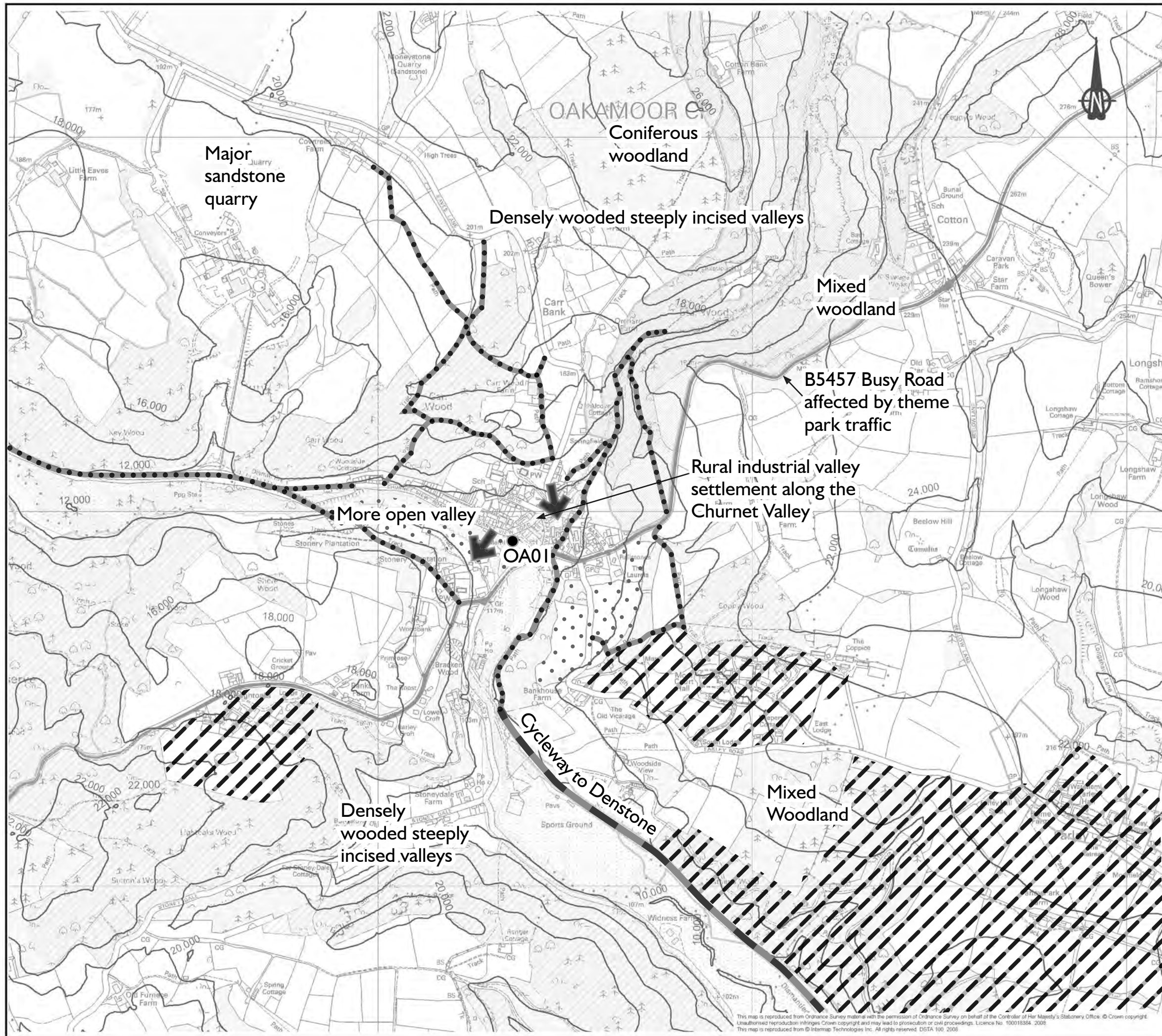
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- Staffordshire Way
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- Important landscape setting to settlement
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Oakamoor Settlement Description

- Oakamoor lies within the Dissected Sandstone Cloughs and Valleys character area and is contained by dense woodland and deeply incised valleys typical of this character area.
- The village lies on millstone grit on the north bank of the River Churnet, and on both sides of the Cotton Brook.
- The village centre is compact and centred on a junction of five minor roads which lies on a steep incline
- A ribbon of dwellings follows the River Churnet and a cluster of dwellings lies between Cotton Brook and Star Bank.
- The B5417 carries a large volume of tourist traffic to Alton Towers, particularly during high season.
- The townscape varies in character with variety of building materials of stone, brick and render.
- Some modern dwellings are interspersed within the village.
- Views extend from Carr Bank to dwellings on Star Bank.
- Partial views extend from the Visual Open Space (OA01) and Churnet View to the southern river bank.
- There are views from the elevated slopes at Carr Bank around the Church
- The Churnet Valley cycleway commences at Oakamoor and extends to Denstone.
- There is a public footpath that extends to Froghall along the disused railway line.
- Sandstone quarry workings lie to the north west of the settlement.
- The historic parklands at Farley, Lightoak and Moat Court Hall contribute to the setting and approaches to the settlement.

Visual Open Space

Suitable

OA01 / Open space from corner of Churnet View Road and B5417 alongside River Churnet

- Mown, linear patch of amenity grassland along the riverbank with several trees and tracks comparable to a village green character.

Oakamoor

GENERAL CHARACTER / LANDSCAPE	Regional (Joint) Character Area	64 Potteries & Churnet Valley
	Landscape Character Types	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dissected Sandstone Cloughs and Valleys
	Historic Landscape Classification	<p>Oakamoor itself is described as 'settlement', surrounded by a large expanses or pockets of woodland on all sides. An area of water is identified just to the south of the settlement, where the River Churnet runs through the village. Three areas identified as 'ornamental, parkland & recreation' exist to the SW, S and SE of the settlement, representing Lightoaks (and the cricket ground just north of this), the sports ground, and Moor Court Hall respectively. A large area, described as 'industrial and extractive' exists to the NW of the settlement, representing Moneystone sandstone quarry.</p>
	Geology	<p>Drift Geology: Alluvium (sand, silt & clay) covers the area south of the River Churnet, and continues along the path of the river, including Mill Road and Church Bank.</p> <p>Solid Geology: The majority of the northern part of the settlement consists of Millstone Grit (sandstone). The far western and southern sections consist of Lower Coal Measures Formation (sandstone).</p>
	Minerals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Large sandstone quarry (Moneystone) and associated works located just 500m NW of Oakamoor. Produces silica sand for colourless container glass, ceramic and other specialist industries. Site produces 8% of national production of all silica sand and employs around 120 people (Staffordshire Minerals Local Plan, 1996-2006). Extension to existing workings at this site proposed. Disused quarry, located 1.85km S of Oakamoor, just S. of Wright's Rock.
	Topography	<p>The main settlement lies within a valley formed by the River Churnet (flowing in from west and out to south) and Cotton Brook (flowing in from north). Land slopes fairly steeply in places, particularly to the northern side of Churnet View Road and the</p>

		rear of the school, and along Mill Road.
	Contour Range	105m (along river valley) – 180m (nr. Banks Farm, S. Oakamoor)
SPECIFIC LANDSCAPE FEATURES	Significant Vegetation (e.g. trees, woodland, heathland, marshes, commons, parkland)	<p>Ancient Woodland:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carr Wood, located just NW of Oakamoor • Peggy's & Bath Woods, located just NE of Oakamoor • Key Wood, located 400m W of Oakamoor, on N. side of River Churnet • Lightoaks Wood, located 300m SW of Oakamoor, continues S. of Lightoaks • Copsy Wood, located approx. 200m ESE of Oakamoor • Moss's Banks, located approx. 800m S of Oakamoor, continues S to Threapwood and Alton • Barbary Gutter, located 1.6km SE of Oakamoor <p>Other Significant Woodland/Tree Belts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Woodland screening Moneystone Quarry, including Park Wood and Black Plantation • Woodland N of Packstones Farm, approx. 600m N of Oakamoor • Trees lining Beelow Lane, 800m E of Oakamoor • Woodland to the E of Mather's Wood (NW of Farley Park), approx. 800m SE of Oakamoor <p>Lowland Heath:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moneystone Quarry (SK049467, 1.97 ha) • Black Plantation (SK049466, 5.20 ha) • Heathy Gore (SK430346, 12.23 ha) <p>Parkland</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moor Court Hall • Lightoaks • Farley Park,
	Historic Parkland (1 st Edn. OS Map)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moor Court Hall, 300m SE of Oakamoor • Lightoaks, 600m SW of Oakamoor • Farley Park, approx. 1.2km SE of Oakamoor
	Water Bodies / Water Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cotton Brook, flows N to S through centre of Oakamoor, joining with the River Churnet as it flows through the centre of the village • River Churnet flows from the W of Oakamoor, across the southern settlement

		<p>boundary, and out towards the S.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small brook flows W to E, approx. 1.6km S of Oakamoor, flows into Mill Pond just north of Threap Wood
	Floodplains	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small floodzone along course of Cotton Brook as it approaches Oakamoor • Slightly larger floodzone along the course of the River Churnet, which approaches 200m wide in places (e.g. around the sports ground just S of Oakamoor) • Floodzone covers some of the built-up areas in central Oakamoor, e.g. around Carr Bank.
	Major Routes (e.g. roads, railways, canals)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B5417 – runs from NE (towards Cauldon Low) to SW (towards Cheadle) through centre of Oakamoor.
	Significant Visual Features / Landmarks / Viewpoints (e.g. hedgerows, stone walls, significant architectural features)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moneystone Quarry (sandstone), located 1km NW of Oakamoor • Carr Wood, located to the NW of Oakamoor. • Other large areas of woodland to the SW, S, NE and SE of the settlement
	Other Significant Landscape Features (e.g. mineral workings)	<p>There was originally a copper works in the south of the village (to the E of Mill Road) with an operational railway linking towns in the east.</p> <p>Cycleway to Denstone</p>
DESIGNATED AREAS	Green Belt / Special Landscape Area	Special Landscape Area: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land surrounding settlement is designated Special Landscape Area (Local Plan)
	Designated Areas of Ecological Significance (e.g. SSSIs / SPAs / Nature Reserves / SBIs / SACs) www.magic.gov.uk/Staffordshire <i>Moorlands Local Plan</i>)	<p>Ancient Woodland:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See 'Significant Vegetation' section above <p>BAS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oakamoor BAS, located along S bank of River Churnet, SW Oakamoor • Moss Bog, located 1.1km S of Oakamoor, just S of Moss's Banks Wood. <p>SSSIs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bath Pasture, located just W of Cotton, approx. 1km NE of Oakamoor • Whiston Eaves, located NW of Little Eaves Farm, approx. 1.4km NW of Oakamoor • Dimmings Dale & The Ranger, located within Moss's Bank Woodland, approx. 1.4km S of Oakamoor <p>SBIs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Churnet Valley Railway, begins approx.

		<p>0.5km S of Oakamoor, and continues along the railway line to the SE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hawksmoor Nature Reserve, located approx. 0.6km SW of Oakamoor • Little Eaves Farm (SW of), approx. 0.8km NW of Oakamoor • Ashbourne Hey, located NW of Little Eaves Farm, approx. 1.3 km NW of Oakamoor • Cotton Cottage (meadows adjacent), located approx. 1.4km NE of Oakamoor • Heathy Gore, approx. 1.5km N of Oakamoor • Rainroach Rock, approx. 1.8km S of Oakamoor <p>RIGs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small area (100m long) along Cotton Brook, within Star Wood, approx. 1km NE of Oakamoor <p>Nature Reserves:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cotton Dell, located to the NE of Oakamoor <p>Land surrounding settlement is NOT Green Belt</p> <p>No Registered Commons, SPAs, SACs</p>
	<p>Nature Conservation Sites <i>(Staffordshire Moorlands Local Plan)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dismantled railway, located approx. 400m S. of Oakamoor and 150m W. of Oakamoor. • Woodland located just N. of Oakamoor (Star Wood) • Woodland located S. of River Churnet (Shore Wood), just W. of Oakamoor
	<p>Scheduled Ancient Monuments</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>BUILT ENVIRONMENT</p>	<p>Proposed/recent development <i>(Staffordshire Moorlands Local Plan (1998)/ Aerial photos)</i></p>	<p>Proposed residential development land located on Farley Rd., S. Oakamoor.</p>
	<p>Conservation Areas <i>(Staffordshire Moorlands Local Plan (1998))</i></p>	<p>None</p>
	<p>Other</p>	<p>The settlement is nucleated around the confluence of Cotton Brook and the River Churnet. Has not grown significantly since 1880s (1st Edn. OS), apart from development along Churnet View Road, School Drive, and Rose Bank Crescent.</p>

Date of Reassessment: 16/07/08

Settlement:	Oakamoor	
VOS number / Site::	OA01 / Open space from corner of Churnet View Road and B5417 alongside River Churnet	
Brief Description: Topography, vegetation, access etc.	Mown, linear patch of amenity grassland along the riverbank with several trees and tracks comparable to a village green character.	
Criteria		Notes
Character Does the site contribute to the character of the surrounding neighbourhood / settlement?	✓	Attractive managed open area with a village green character alongside the River Churnet in front of the cottages along Churnet View Road.
Amenity Value Is the site of amenity value to the public while not requiring public access to the site itself?	✓	Pocket park – well used and overlooked.
External Views Does the site allow the public to enjoy significant external views across the open area (i.e. views from surrounding area into VOS)?	✓	Views across the river valley.
Internal Views Does the site allow the public to enjoy significant internal views across the open area (i.e. views within the VOS)?	✓	Small area. Open views within.
Break Between Development Does the site form a significant break between development within a settlement?	✓	Break between development between the riverbank, Churnet View Road and residential properties.
Ecological Value Is the site of local ecological value?	✗	Possibly along the riverbank.
Cultural or Historical Association Does the site have significant, proven local cultural or historical association?	✓	On OS 1 ST Edition.
Recommendation:	Suitable as VOS The site has significant amenity value in Oakamoor while providing a break within residential area in the centre of the settlement.	



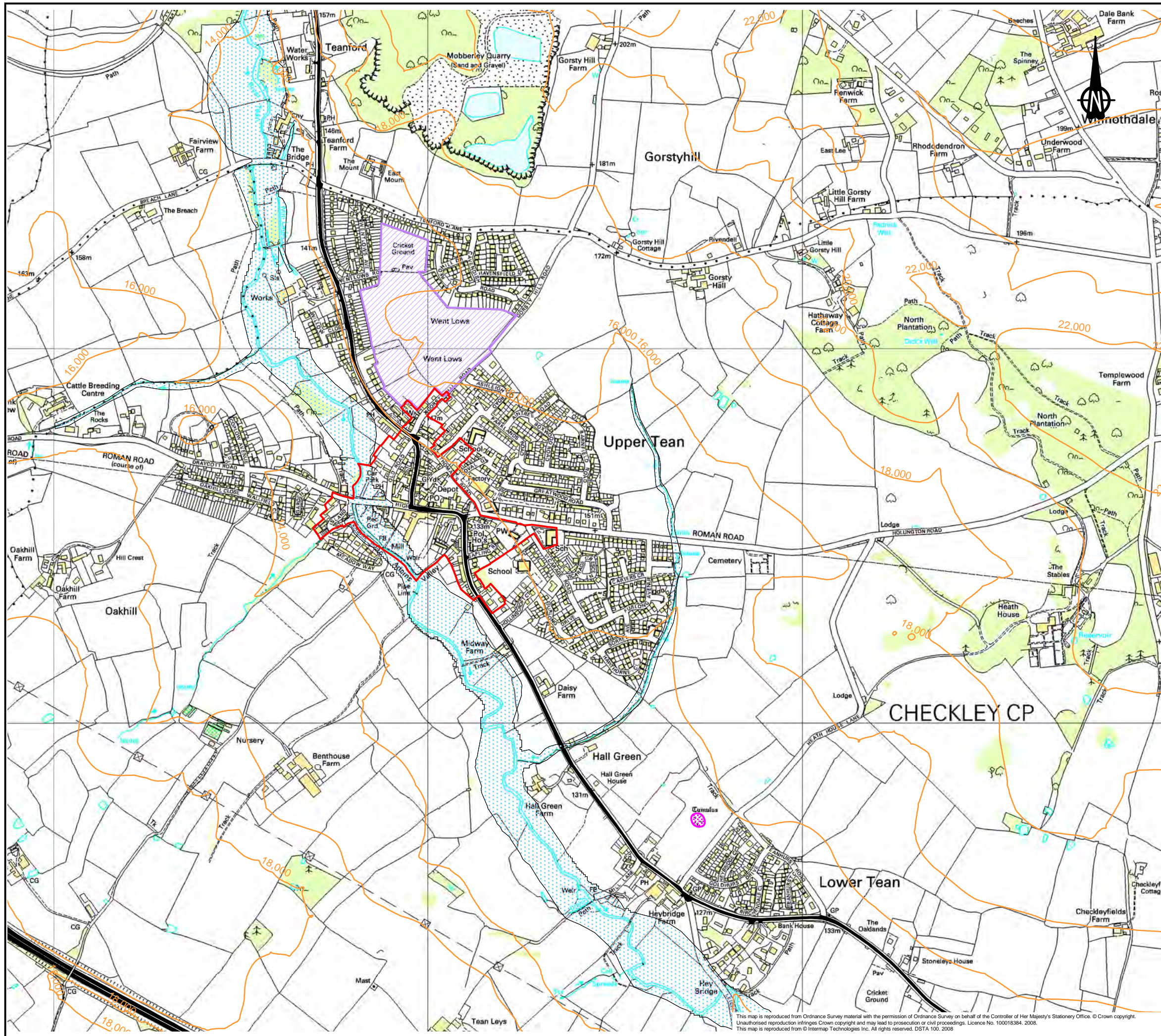
View from Churnet View Road to west















View from adjacent to Churnet View Road to south



View from Churnet View Road to east



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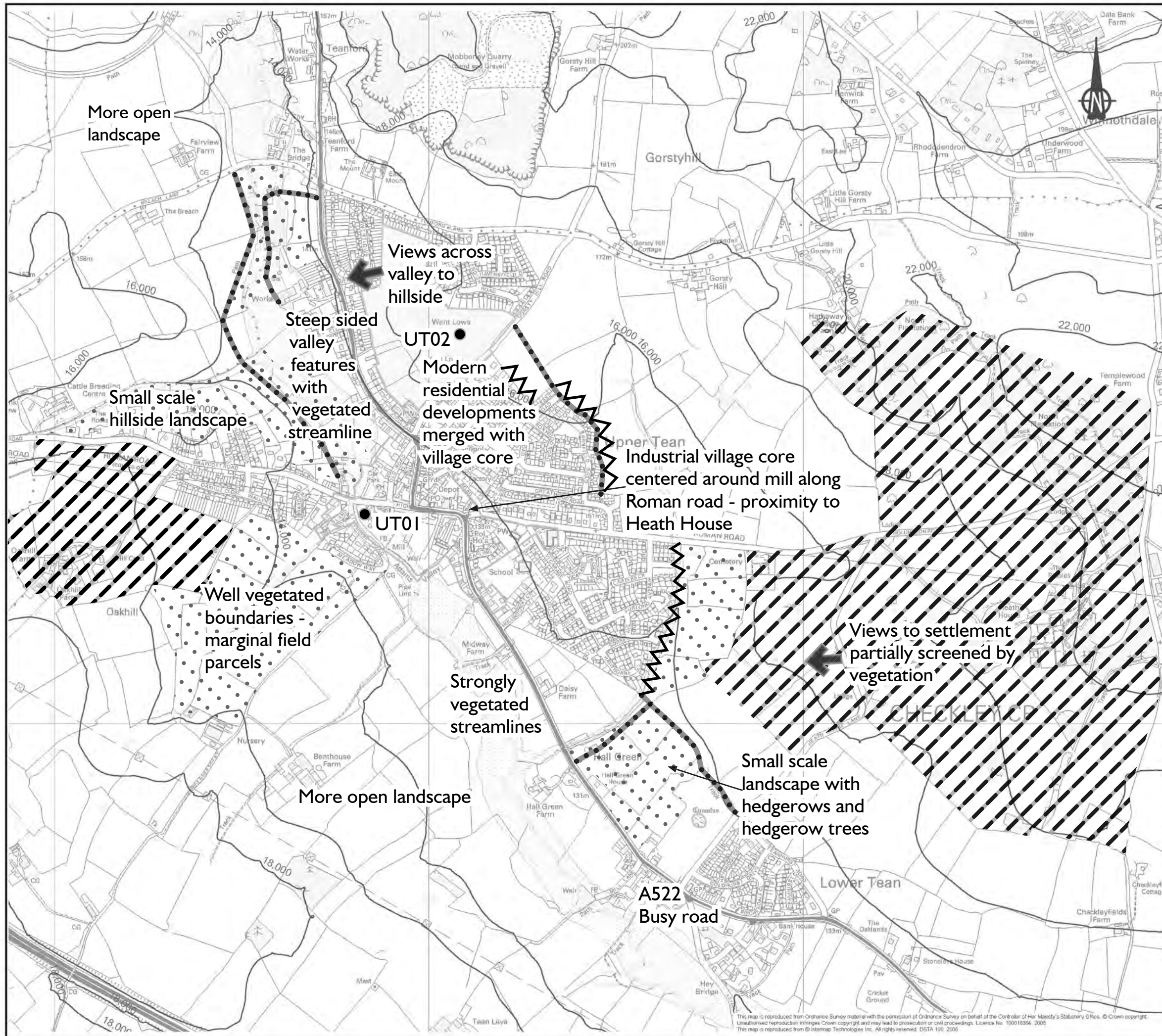
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Upper Tean Settlement Description

- Upper Tean lies within the confluence of three landscape character areas, Dissected Sandstone Cloughs and Valleys, Dissected Sandstone Uplands, and Settled Plateau Farmland Slopes. Features characteristic of all three areas can be seen within or in proximity to the village.
- The village lies on a Roman road (High Street) that was bypassed by the A50 Stoke-Derby dual carriageway.
- The A522, a busy main road, runs through the village from south to north linking Uttoxeter with Cheadle.
- The original village centre built up around a large textile mill that faces onto the High Street. New residential development appears to be in the process of construction on the old mill site retaining the mill frontage.
- The building materials are generally red brick.
- The village expanded around its industrial village and more recently as a commuter village with a mixture of modern residential developments.
- River Tean flood plain acts as a natural edge to the west of the village.
- Views extend from Wentlows Road west across a mill to the steep western bank of the river. Views include incongruous electricity and phone masts to front of view and pylons to the distance.
- Heath House historic parkland contributes to the landscape setting of the village in the east.

Visual Open Space

UT01 / Adjacent to High Street and Riverside Road

Suitable

- Flat, grassed, River Tean runs along western part of site, mature trees by river, foot bridge over the river at south western side of site – full public access to site.

UT02 / Land between Cheadle Road and Gorsty Hill Road

Suitable

- Large semi-upland grassland with some scrub. Part cricket pitch.

Upper Tean

GENERAL CHARACTER / LANDSCAPE	Regional (Joint) Character Area	64 Potteries & Churnet Valley
	Landscape Character Types	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dissected Sandstone Uplands • Dissected Sandstone Cloughs and Valleys • Settled Plateau Farmland Slopes
	Historic Landscape Classification	Upper Tean described mostly as 'settlement', with 'water/valley floor' dissecting it from NW to SE. Some 'ornamental parkland & recreation' in N of village (cricket ground) and to E of settlement (grounds of Heath House). Some small areas of woodland just north of settlement, and surrounding Heath House. Some 'industrial/extractive' N of Upper Tean (Mobberley Quarry), adjacent to an area of 'unimproved land'.
	Geology	<p>Drift Geology:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alluvium along course and floodplain of River Tean <p>Solid Geology:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mercia Mudstone – Southern half of village, continuing south towards Lower Tean • Sherwood Sandstone – Northern and north-western part of village (along Cheadle Rd., and Draycott Rd. towards Totmonslow)
	Minerals	<p>Sand & Gravel Extraction:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mobberley Quarry (sand & gravel), approx. 200m N of settlement • Freehay Wood (sand & gravel pit), NE of Mobberley Quarry, approx. 700m NE of Upper Tean • Sand & gravel pit (and disused workings and pit) W of Huntley Wood, approx. 1km NW of Upper Tean • Gravel pit used to exist on Gorsty Hill Road (1st Edn. OS), approx. 60m from Cheadle Road <p>Upper Tean located just south of Cheadle Coalfield.</p>
Topography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rising gradually from Dove & Tean in gentle undulations, becoming very much stronger in central & northern sections. 	

		<p>Give linear views of opposite hillsides which can be quite steep.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steep sloping valleys to north. • Land within Upper Tean rises gently either side of the River Tean, but no significant changes in height. • Land rises slightly over Went Lows and just north of Draycott Rd.
	Contour Range	130m along river valley. Rises to 170m to east and west of this valley, incorporating settlement. No steep slopes.
SPECIFIC LANDSCAPE FEATURES	Significant Vegetation (e.g. trees, woodland, heathland, marshes, commons, parkland)	Ancient Woodland: Huntley Wood, approx. 700m north-west of Upper Tean Other significant planting includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North Plantation located east of Upper Tean. • Planting around Mobberley Quarry (to north of Upper Tean) • Trees lining course of River Tean • Small patches of woodland surrounding Rernwick Farm and Rhododendron Farm (NE of Upper Tean) • Woodland surrounding Heath House reservoir and surrounding parkland, E. of Upper Tean
	Historic Parkland <i>(1st Edn. OS Map)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heath House, approx. 500m E of Upper Tean, along Hollington Rd • Oakhill, approx. W of Upper Tean, S off Draycott Road
	Water Bodies / Water Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • River Tean dissects western centre of settlement, flowing from north to south. • Several small tributary streams which flow towards and join the River Tean • Three small ponds within Mobberley Quarry (north of settlement)
	Floodplains	<p>Potential for flooding (1 in 100 yr or greater) along River Tean, which runs along north eastern settlement boundary, running through centre of settlement (where there are flood defences in place) and out to the south.</p> <p>Small floodzones also exist along two of the tributary streams which flow into the River Tean from Bank View (Western side of Upper Tean), and from the eastern side of the settlement (via Hall Green).</p>
	Major Routes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A50 runs SW of Upper Tean (Stoke to Uttoxeter)

	(e.g. roads, railways, canals)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A522 Cheadle Road – runs north to south through centre of Upper Tean, linking Cheadle and Uttoxeter
	Significant Visual Features / Landmarks / Viewpoints (e.g. hedgerows, stone walls, significant architectural features)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> River Tean which flows through centre of village. Mobberley Quarry, located north of Upper Tean Heath House, E. of Upper Tean
	Other Significant Landscape Features (e.g. mineral workings)	Woodland is fairly major visual feature around the restored sand and gravel quarry to the north of the village, and the plantation and woodland surrounding Heath House to the east. Prominent line of trees traces course of River Tean which passes N. to S. through village. Several small isolated farms located south of village, accessed via narrow tracks. Landscape to SE of village transacted by A50.
DESIGNATED AREAS	Green Belt / Special Landscape Area	Green Belt: Area of land to NW of settlement designated Green Belt Special Landscape Area: Area surrounding settlement designated as Special Landscape Area (Local Plan)
	Designated Areas of Ecological Significance (e.g. SSSIs / SPAs / Nature Reserves / SBIs / SACs) (www.magic.gov.uk/Staffordshire Moorlands Local Plan)	Ancient Woodland: See 'Significant Vegetation' above SBIs: Newton (north-east of), 800m SW of Upper Tean
	Nature Conservation Sites (<i>Staffordshire Moorlands Local Plan</i>)	Two nature conservation sites located to north of settlement: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mobberley Quarry Area to west of water works in Teanford (North of Upper Tean)
	Scheduled Ancient Monuments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bowl Barrow 280m ESE of Hall Green House (SK017387)
BUILT ENVIRONMENT	Proposed/recent development (<i>Staffordshire Moorlands Local Plan (1998)/ Aerial photos</i>)	Area east of cricket ground recently developed (residential) (off Tenford Lane).

	<p>Conservation Areas</p> <p><i>(Staffordshire Moorlands Local Plan (1998))</i></p>	<p>Upper Tean Conservation Area</p>
	<p>Other</p>	<p>Settlement originally fairly nucleated around Old Rd., New Rd. and High Street (1st Edn. OS). Today is approximately four times the size, with development of settlement sprawling out to N (along Tenford Lane, incorporating Went Lows), NE of St. Thomas's Rd., and SE of High Street.</p>

Date of Reassessment: 16/07/08

Settlement:	Upper Tean	
VOS number / Site:	UT01 / Adjacent to High Street and Riverside Road	
Brief Description: Topography, vegetation, access etc.	Flat, grassed, River Tean runs along western part of site, mature trees by river, foot bridge over the river at south western side of site – full public access to site.	
Criteria		Notes
Character Does the site contribute to the character of the surrounding neighbourhood / settlement?	✓	Attractive open space bounded by River Tean on the western side. Provides openness in central otherwise built up area of Upper Tean.
Amenity Value Is the site of amenity value to the public while not requiring public access to the site itself?	✓	Yes – is a recreational area, acts as a buffer between development.
External Views Does the site allow the public to enjoy significant external views across the open area (i.e. views from surrounding area into VOS)?	✓	From dwellings on western side of Riverside Road looking east over the site. From High Street looking south. From adjacent new development looking SW.
Internal Views Does the site allow the public to enjoy significant internal views across the open area (i.e. views within the VOS)?	✓	South to north, east to west.
Break Between Development Does the site form a significant break between development within a settlement?	✓	Significant – splits older part of town (east) from newer part (west) – is surrounded by development.
Ecological Value Is the site of local ecological value?	✓	The river and trees and river margins.
Cultural or Historical Association Does the site have significant, proven local cultural or historical association?	✗	
Recommendation:	Suitable as VOS The visual amenity of the site is significant while providing a development buffer in a built up area of Upper Tean.	



View from track looking to the north west of the site

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Settlement:	Upper Tean	
VOS number / Site:	UT02 / Land between Cheadle Road and Gorsty Hill Road	
Brief Description: Topography, vegetation, access etc.	Large semi-upland grassland with some scrub. Part cricket pitch.	
Criteria		Notes
Character Does the site contribute to the character of the surrounding neighbourhood / settlement?	✓	The site has a mainly moorland character.
Amenity Value Is the site of amenity value to the public while not requiring public access to the site itself?	✓	Cricket pitch to the northern part of the site. Site accessed by the public by long established unofficial paths.
External Views Does the site allow the public to enjoy significant external views across the open area (i.e. views from surrounding area into VOS)?	✗	No views
Internal Views Does the site allow the public to enjoy significant internal views across the open area (i.e. views within the VOS)?	✓	Internal views from cricket club. Wide views from unofficial paths.
Break Between Development Does the site form a significant break between development within a settlement?	✓	Very steep land with development surrounding the periphery of the site
Ecological Value Is the site of local ecological value?	✗	Possible. Under-used area; not in agricultural use.
Cultural or Historical Association Does the site have significant, proven local cultural or historical association?	✓	Went Lows is on the OS 1 ST Edition.
Recommendation:	Suitable as VOS Site has visual amenity and long established unofficial public access.	



View from Wentlows Road to the north east



View from Wentlows Road to the south east



View from Wentlows Road to the south