



Overall Landscape Framework Strategy:

The site is located within The National Forest and within Area 6: Thringtone/Markfield Quarries and Settlement in the Charnwood Forest Landscape Character Assessment (2019).

The National Forest Strategy 2014-2024 refers to the purpose of The National Forest as being social and economic, as well as environmental, with beautiful wooded sites, individual trees and other habitats across a 200 square mile landscape.

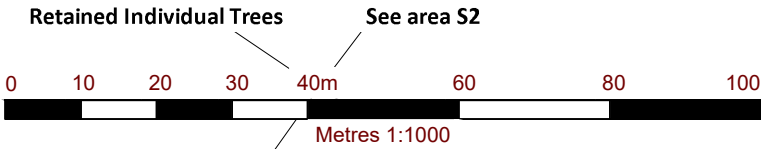
Charnwood National Character Area 73 description refers to "a unique landscape, marked out by its geology and upland qualities, which contrast with the surrounding gentle lowlands. It is formed by a mosaic of heathland, farmland, parkland and woodland. The underlying Precambrian geology has given rise to the distinct area of land characterised by exposures of rugged, rocky outcrops. It is a relatively well wooded landscape, with many areas of mixed, deciduous and coniferous woodlands"

Area 6: Thrington/Markfield Quarries and Settlement is described as "A highly settled landscape with a high proportion of quarries, often fringed with woodland. Farmland consists of a mix of arable and pasture with a varied field pattern while areas of new planting around quarries contrast with areas of ancient woodland."

The overall landscape strategy for the former Hall Farm site is to retain and enhance its wooded character, with positive management of individual trees (including some clearance and thinning to accommodate the development and improve habitat condition), formation of new areas of scrub edge and conservation grassland, with reinstatement of ponds / water features on site.

This would integrate the proposed replacement buildings (Storage and Viewing Area, Offices, Detailing / Preparation) and vehicle parking areas into their existing landscape context, create a pleasant working environment and destination for customers, and improve biodiversity interest.

Proposed Building	B1	1,329	1,950
	B2	621	
Proposed Hardstanding	H1	2,948	2,948
Existing Woodland (Retained and Enhanced)	W1	3,936	5,692
	W2	763	
	W3	4	
	W4	989	
Existing Introduced Scrub (Retained and Enhanced)	S1	302	302
Proposed Scrub (Proposed mixed native)	S2	1,138	1,471
	S3	181	
	S4	152	
Existing Improved Grassland (Retained and Enhanced)	G1	748	764
	G2	9	
	G3	7	
Proposed Conservation Grassland (Woodland edge)	G4	298	514
	G5	85	
	G6	131	
Existing Pond (Retained and Enhanced)	P1	182	564
	P2	382	
Redline Site Boundary	Total	14,205	



Legend

- Application Boundary
- Proposed Building
- Proposed Hardstanding
- Existing Woodland / Trees (Retained and Enhanced)
- Existing Improved Grassland (Retained and Enhanced)
- Proposed Conservation Grassland (Woodland edge)
- Existing Introduced Scrub (Retained and Enhanced)
- Proposed Scrub (Mixed Natives)
- Pond (Retained and Enhanced)

SITE

Halls Farm, Altar Stones Lane

PROJECT

Hillmoren

DRAWING TITLE

Initial Landscape Framework Strategy / BNG Areas

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