



GILLESPIES

SHROPSHIRE LANDSCAPE & VISUAL SENSITIVITY ASSESSMENT

**HADNALL
[35HDL]**

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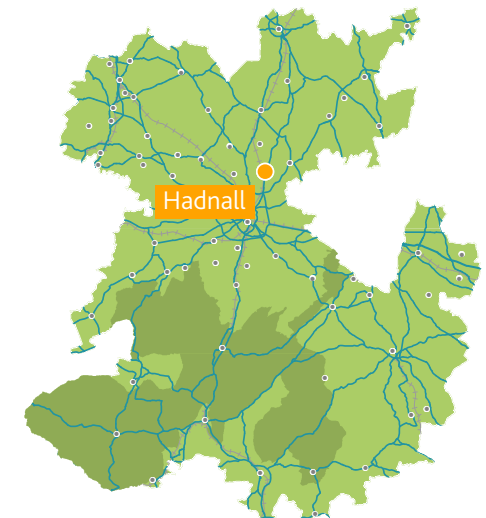
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35. HADNALL [35HDL]



LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION

Hadnall is a village in the centre of Shropshire, located to the north of Shrewsbury. The village is formed along the A49 and the Welsh Marches Railway line is located to the west. Hadnall has a population of 570. This settlement has been divided into 2 parcels for the purpose of this study.



HADNALL A [35HDL-A]

LOCATION AND CHARACTER

Parcel A is located to the north of Hadnall. The A49 Shrewsbury Road runs north south through the parcel, with the Shropshire Way running roughly parallel. Mill Lane and Hardwicke Grange parkland forms the north boundary, with Astley Lane to the south east and Wood Road to the south west. Hedgerows and hedgerow trees are characteristic of this rural landscape, but solitary trees are evident due to field expansion. The parcel is characterised by a flat to gently rolling topography overlain with an intensive mixed agricultural system in which the arable element dominates.



1. FROM LADYMAS LANE LOOKING SOUTH WEST ACROSS AREA OF GRAZING TOWARDS SETTLEMENT



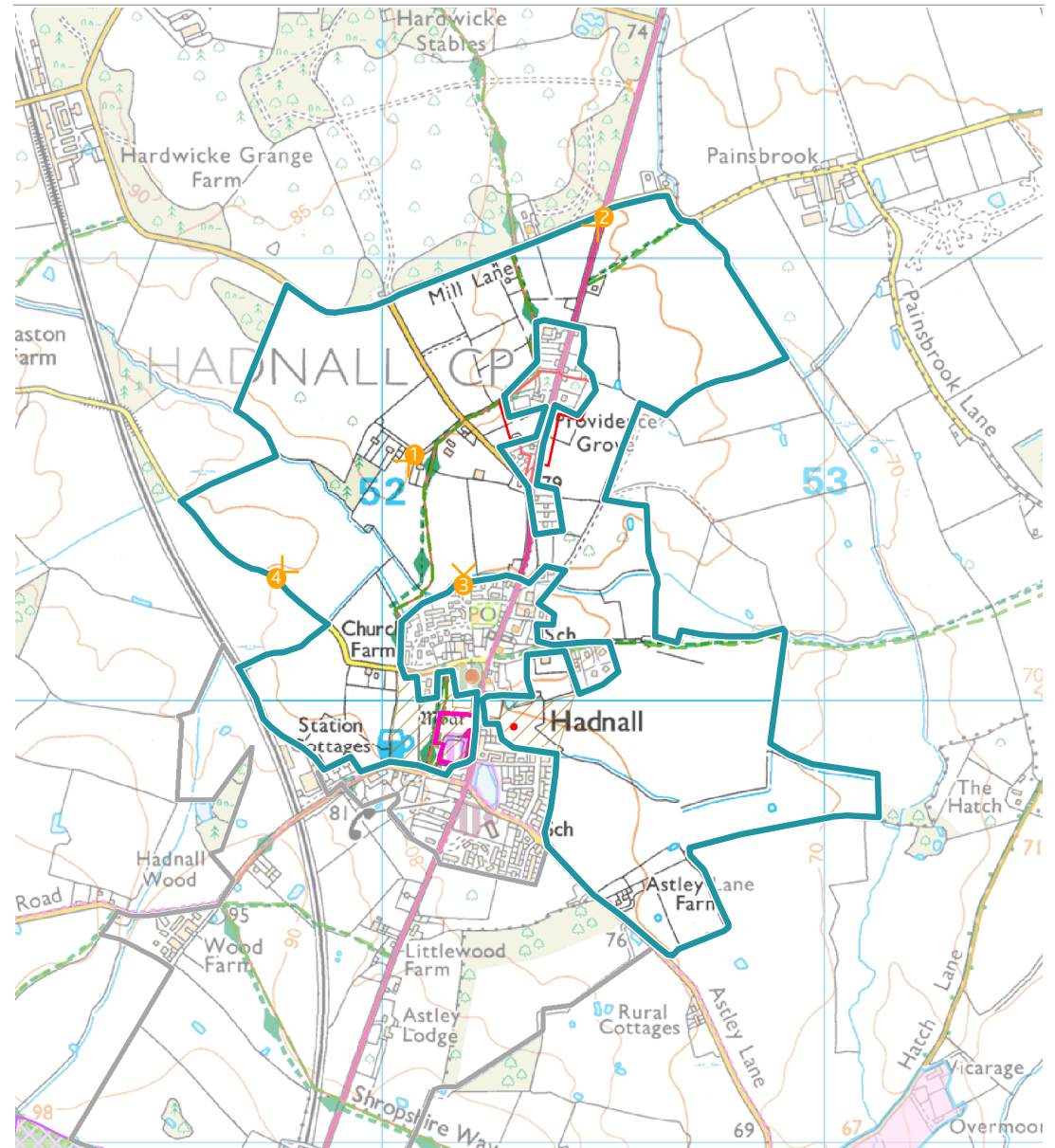
2. FROM MILL LANE LOOKING SOUTH WEST ACROSS FLAT TOPOGRAPHY WITH A49 TO SOUTH OF VIEW



3. FROM CHAPEL CRESCENT LOOKING NORTH TOWARDS PROW AND LADYMAS LANE



4. FROM LOCAL ROAD (NORTH OF STATION ROAD) VIEW NORTH EAST TOWARDS SETTLEMENT EDGE



LANDSCAPE

LANDSCAPE VALUE

This is a landscape of typical rural character that has been slightly eroded by loss of hedgerows leaving isolated hedgerow trees. The parkland setting to the north of Mill Lane adds some habitat diversity to parcel that is generally low in nature conservation features. A moated site and associated ridge and furrow cultivation remains, 145m south of St Mary Magdalene's Church are now within an area of new housing and historic features are not apparent in the parcel. The Shropshire Way connects to the wider PRoW network and adds to the recreational value of the area.

LANDSCAPE SUSCEPTIBILITY

This is a medium scale, traditional farming landscape within an area of flat to gently rolling landform and irregular landscape pattern. Tree cover and hedgerows have been depleted and are vulnerable to further loss or erosion due to new development and are irreplaceable in the short to medium term. The gentle topography is less susceptible to change a result of development, with opportunities to enhance the settlement edge and restore hedgerows and rural pattern as part of new development. The existing settlement edge is expanding with new residential development and is partially integrated. Existing settlement comprises dispersed individual properties and farmsteads situated along minor lanes and farm tracks and any change to this pattern would be noticeable The rural character means the area is popular for informal recreation, which could be affected by new development.

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

This is a typical rural landscape with natural features that are at risk of further erosion and potential loss of character. Overall the sensitivity of the landscape to change arising from new housing and employment is medium.



LOW	MEDIUM-LOW	MEDIUM	MEDIUM-HIGH	HIGH	VERY HIGH
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VISUAL

VISUAL VALUE

Views within this typical rural landscape, have no association with the Shropshire Hills AONB. Views are generally contained due to low lying topography and vegetation.

VISUAL SUSCEPTIBILITY

The covering of hedgerows, scattered trees and low lying topography, contain immediate views within the parcel, limiting views in and out. Views expand to become wider within enlarged fields as a result of hedgerow loss. This increases the susceptibility as new development would be more apparent than in a well treed landscape. Local skylines are not formed and there are few focal points, with distinctive elements of woodland generally beyond the parcel boundary. The setting of Hardwicke Grange to the north would be susceptible to changes across the view. There is intervisibility with the settlement edge and parcel B and an increasing number of residential receptors. Types of receptors are varied including users of PRoW and road links, however field boundaries act as a buffer to the railway on the south west edge of the parcel. Dispersed individual properties and farmsteads and recreational users of the extensive PRoW network and Shropshire Cycleway are typically highly susceptible to changes to their surroundings.

VISUAL SENSITIVITY

This area has a typically rural character with contained views of limited scenic quality. The relative number of people within this sensitivity parcel is high and the numbers of residential receptors are increasing, which means that overall, the views experienced are of medium-low sensitivity to change arising from new housing and medium-high sensitivity to change arising from employment.



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HADNALL B [35HDL-B]

LOCATION AND CHARACTER

Parcel B is located to the south of Hadnall. The A49 Shrewsbury Road runs north south through the parcel, with the Shropshire Way crossing the road and railway at the south end of the parcel. Astley Lane forms the east boundary and PRoW and field boundaries the remainder. The parcel is characterised by a flat to gently rolling topography overlain with an intensive mixed agricultural system in which arable element dominates. Hadnall settlement is experiencing residential development. Woodland blocks and shelterbelts appear to be remnants historic systems.



1. FROM WOOD ROAD LOOKING NORTH EAST TOWARDS STATION ROAD



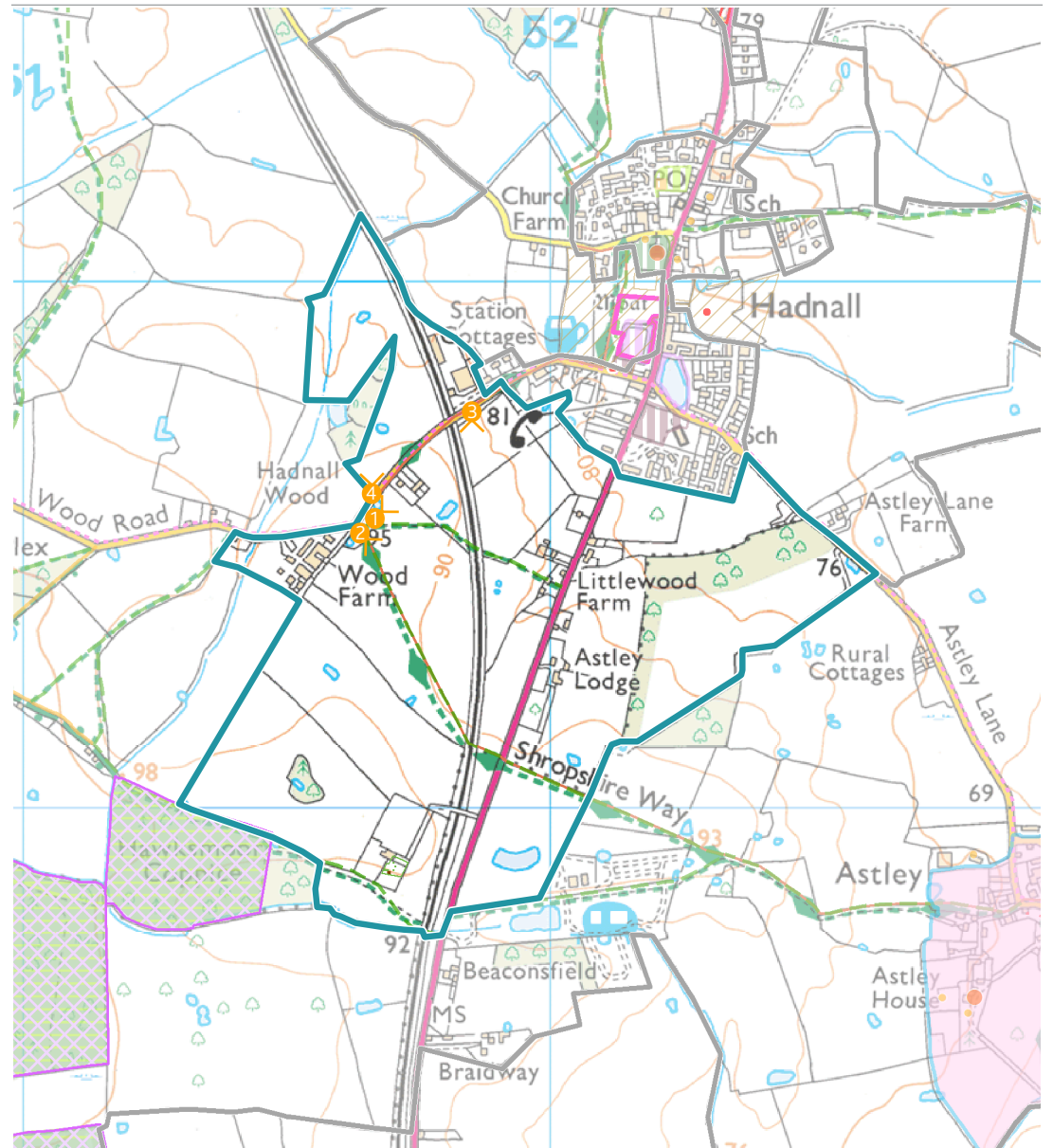
2. FROM WOOD ROAD LOOKING SOUTH EAST TOWARDS RAILWAY LINE AND SETTLEMENT EDGE



3. FROM STATION ROAD VIEW SOUTH ACROSS PASTURE FIELDS TOWARDS SOUTH SETTLEMENT



4. FROM WOOD ROAD VIEW NORTH



LANDSCAPE

LANDSCAPE VALUE

This is a landscape of typical rural character that has been slightly eroded by loss of hedgerows leaving isolated hedgerow trees and expansive fields. The shelterbelts and woodland add some habitat diversity with new areas of tree planting also establishing and connecting to ancient woodland blocks, such as Hawksmoor Coppice beyond the parcel boundaries to the south west. The Shropshire Way connects to the wider PRoW network and a camp site near Beaconsfield to the south, adds to the recreational value of the area.

LANDSCAPE SUSCEPTIBILITY

This is a medium scale, traditional farming landscape within an area of flat to gently rolling landform and irregular landscape pattern. Tree cover and hedgerows have been depleted and are vulnerable to further loss or erosion due to new development, however new woodland blocks are improving connectivity and enhancing rural character. The gentle topography is less susceptible to change a result of development, with opportunities to enhance the settlement edge and restore hedgerows and rural pattern as part of new development. The existing settlement edge is expanding with new residential development and is partially integrated. Existing settlement comprises dispersed individual properties and farmsteads situated along minor lanes and farm tracks and any change to this pattern would be noticeable. There is a low sense of tranquility due to constant traffic along the A49 and close proximity to the railway line to the south of the parcel. The rural character means the area is popular for informal recreation, which could be affected by new development.

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

This is a typical rural landscape with natural features that are at risk of further erosion and potential loss of character. Overall the sensitivity of the landscape to change arising from new housing is medium-low and to employment is medium.



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VISUAL

VISUAL VALUE

Views within this typical rural landscape, have no association with the Shropshire Hills AONB. Views are generally contained due to low lying topography.

VISUAL SUSCEPTIBILITY

The covering of hedgerows, scattered trees and low lying topography, contain immediate views within the parcel, limiting views in and out. Views expand to become wider within enlarged fields as a result of hedgerow loss, but remain contained by outlying hedgerows and larger woodland blocks at the parcel boundary. This reduces the susceptibility as new development would be better screened at lower levels, than in a more elevated landscape. Local skylines are not formed and there are few focal points with distinctive elements of woodland generally beyond the parcel boundary. The close proximity of the railway to the A49 is a detracting element in the view. There is intervisibility with the settlement edge and parcel A and an increasing number of residential receptors due to new development. Type of receptors are varied including users of PRoW, railway and road links. Dispersed individual properties and farmsteads and recreational users of the extensive PRoW network and Shropshire Cycleway are typically highly susceptible to changes to their surroundings.

VISUAL SENSITIVITY

This area has a typically rural character with contained views of limited scenic quality due to detracting elements of the railway line and A49. The relative number of people within this sensitivity parcel is high and the numbers of residential receptors are increasing, which means that overall, the views experienced are of medium-low sensitivity to change arising from new housing and medium sensitivity to change arising from employment.



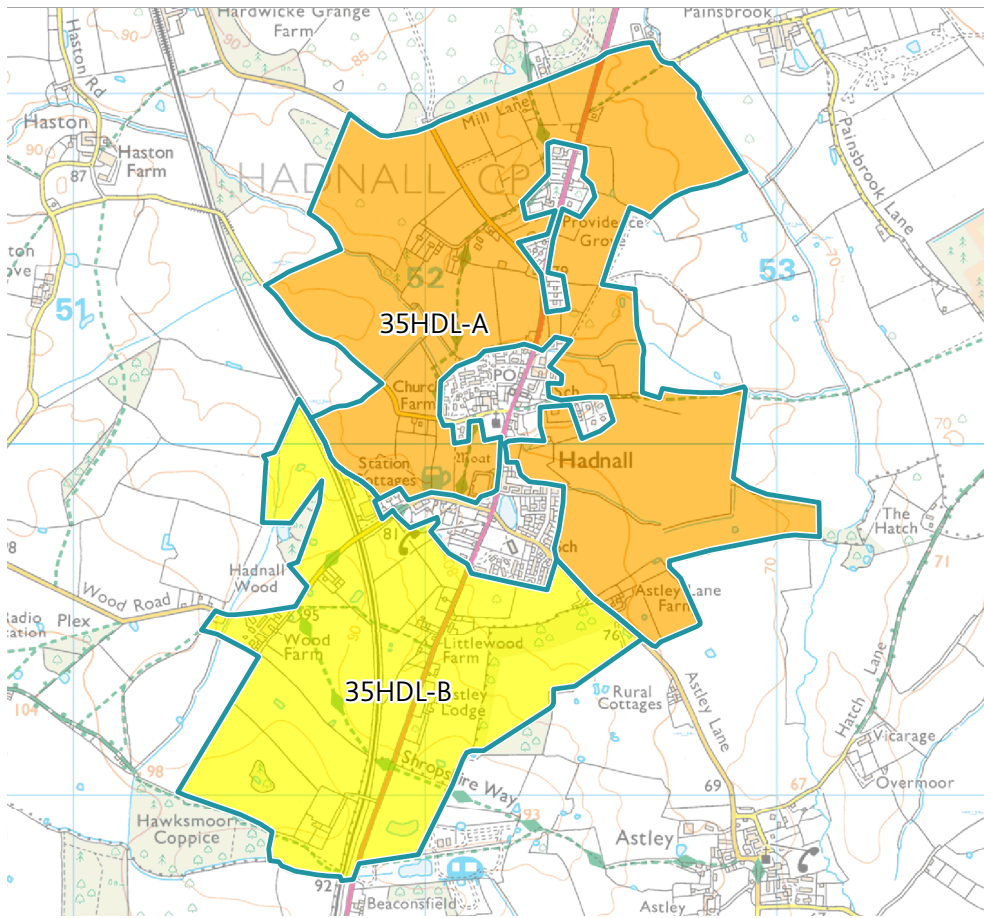
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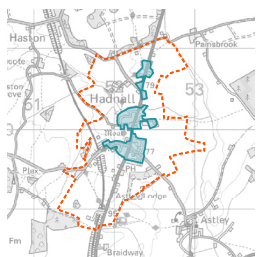
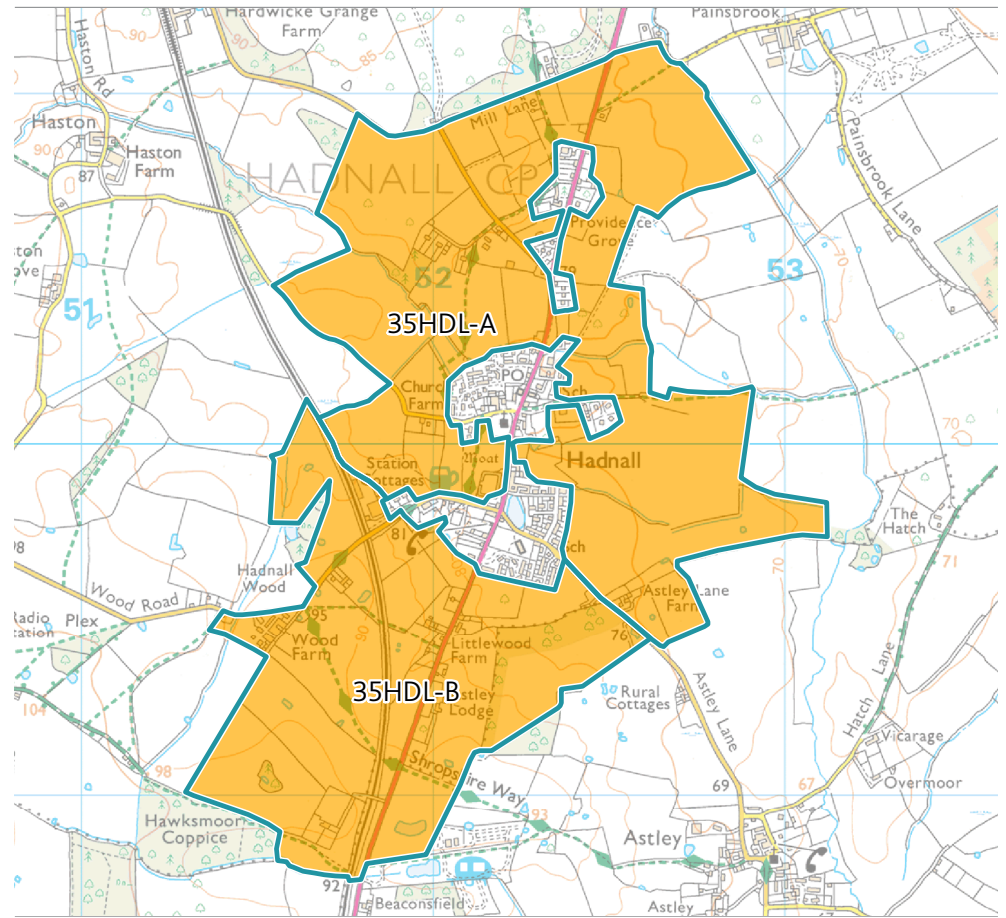
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HADNALL LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY

HOUSING



EMPLOYMENT



KEY:

SENSITIVITY PARCEL

LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY:

VERY HIGH

MEDIUM-HIGH

MEDIUM-LOW

HIGH

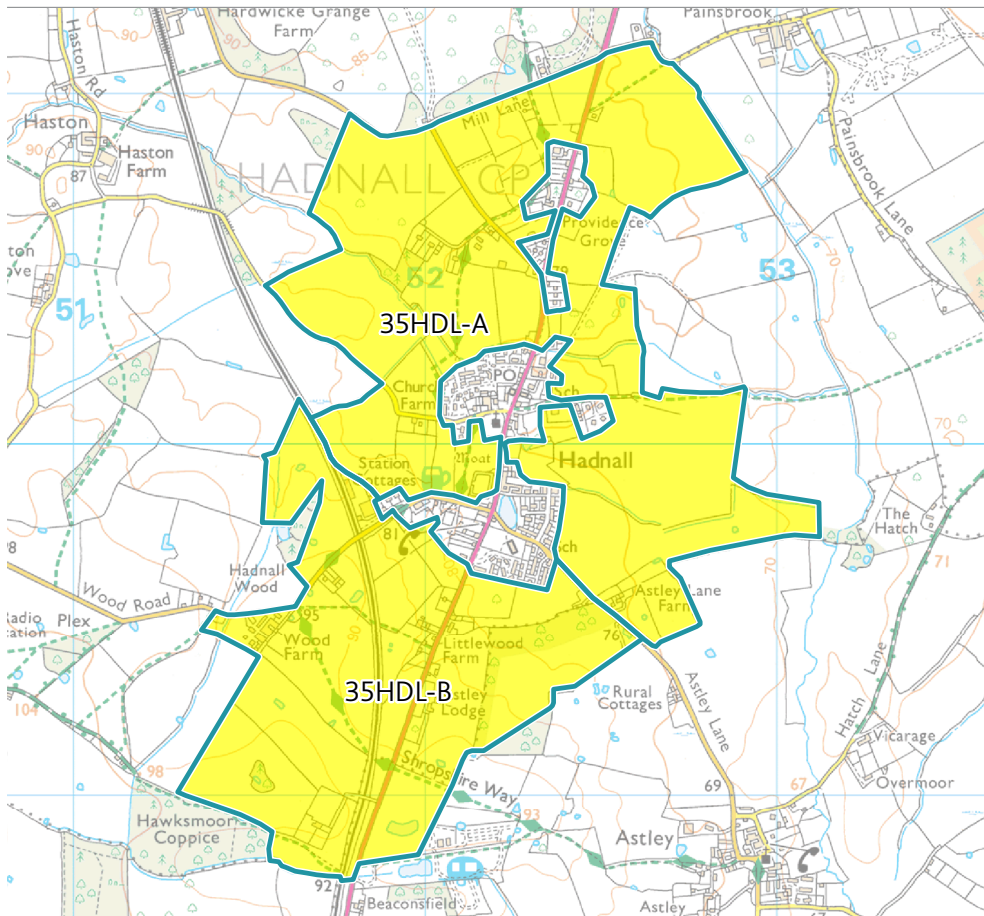
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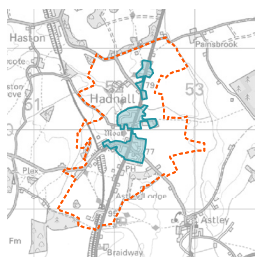
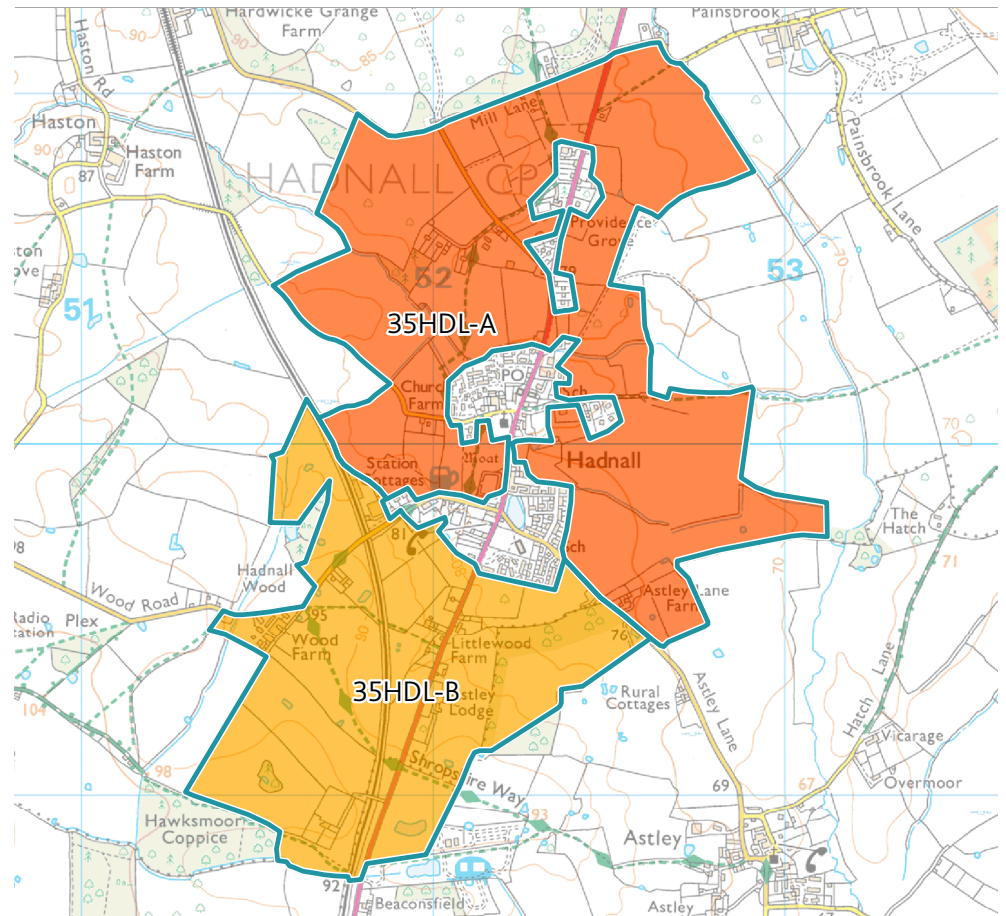
HADNALL VISUAL SENSITIVITY



HOUSING



EMPLOYMENT



KEY:

SENSITIVITY PARCEL

VISUAL SENSITIVITY:

VERY HIGH

MEDIUM-HIGH

MEDIUM-LOW

HIGH

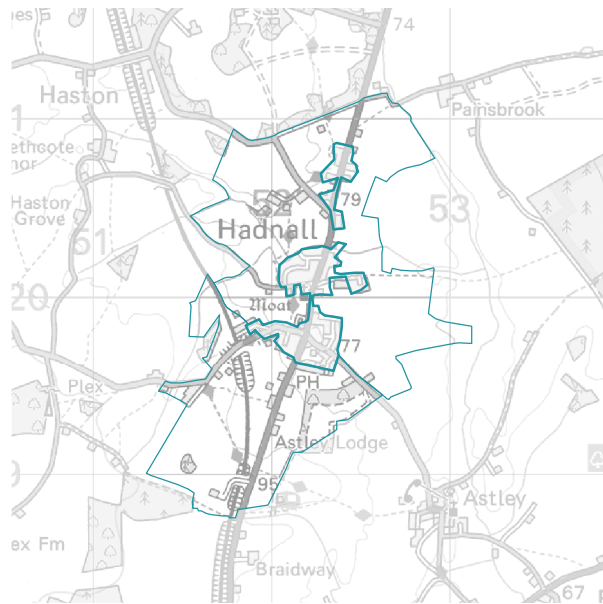
MEDIUM

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DESIGN GUIDANCE FOR HADNALL

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2 SENSITIVITY PARCELS



KEY

-  PARCEL BOUNDARY
-  SETTLEMENT
-  HIGHER LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY TO DEVELOPMENT
-  HIGHER VISUAL SENSITIVITY TO DEVELOPMENT
-  VIEWS TO BE PROTECTED
-  DESIGNATED FEATURES WHERE THE SETTING SHOULD BE CONSIDERED
-  VISITOR DESTINATION WHERE THE SETTING SHOULD BE CONSIDERED
-  IMPORTANT LANDSCAPE FEATURE WHICH SHOULD BE RETAINED

