

# Appendix 6D – Landscape Character Assessment and LANDMAP VSAA Assessment

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## 1.1 Introduction

- 1.1.1 This appendix sets out the National and Local Landscape Character assessment for the LVIA. It is to be read in conjunction with the Baseline Descriptions and Sensitivity Assessment in **Appendix 6B**.
- 1.1.2 The appendix is structured as follows:
  - **Section 1.2:** Local Landscape Character Assessments; and
  - **Section 1.3:** LANDMAP VSAA Assessments.
- 1.1.3 The Appendices are to be read in conjunction with the following Figures:
  - **Figure 6.3:** Landscape Character Areas; and
  - **Figure 6.4:** LANDMAP Visual and Sensory Aspect Areas.

## 1.2 Local Landscape Character Areas

- 1.2.1 The assessment for the Local Landscape Character Areas are set out in **Table 6D-1** below.

**Table 6D-1 – Local Landscape Character Assessment**

<b>LCA 1: Llangynwyd Rolling Uplands and Forestry</b>	
<b>Magnitude of Change during Construction</b>	<p>During the construction period there will be direct temporary effects on this LCA. The construction of the Proposed Development’s western OHL section will introduce vehicle movement and construction machinery to the character area.</p> <p>The construction compound would not be located within this LCA. Poles will be stored at the compound; on the day of installation, poles will be transported to the works area and laid down within the Site boundary. However, the compound is proposed to be located in an elevated area near the LCA’s northern boundary and it may be visible from the northern areas of the LCA where topography would not screen it from view.</p> <p>The areas within the character area where the western OHL section will traverse have high levels of tranquillity, therefore the movement, visual intrusion and noise of construction activity shall have a temporary adverse effect. In the upper slopes of Foel y Dyffryn, construction vehicles and machinery will be prominently visible in the open landscape.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LCA (considered to be of High sensitivity) during construction would be <b>High</b>.</p>
<b>Magnitude of Change during Operation</b>	<p>At Operation, all construction activity will have ceased and shall have no effect on the landscape character. Soils/ grasslands that have been disturbed will be reinstated following the construction works.</p> <p>The western OHL section of the Proposed Development would run through open tracts of grazing land in the upper slopes of Foel y Dyffryn, where the introduction of the OHLs would introduce an element that is uncharacteristic of</p>

<b>LCA 1: Llangynwyd Rolling Uplands and Forestry</b>	
	<p>this landscape as the area is generally devoid of built development. The presence of the OHL would have an effect on the high levels of tranquillity of the LCA, where it will be highly visible against the rural and open landscapes. However, from locations downslope of Foel y Dyffryn in the central part of the LCA, the western OHL will traverse through farmsteads and isolated dwellings, where the presence of built development in the valley floor of Maesteg would reduce the effect on the landscape.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LCA (considered to be of High sensitivity) during Operation would be <b>High</b> (western OHL).</p>
<b>Level of Effect (Project)</b>	<p>Level of effect during Construction – <b>Major and Significant (western OHL).</b></p> <p>Level of effect during Operation – <b>Major and Significant (western OHL).</b></p>
<b>Type of Effect</b>	<p>Short term, direct and negative (Construction)</p> <p>Long term, direct and negative (Operation)</p>
<b>Cumulative assessment</b>	<p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Consented Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>Foel Trawsnant consented Wind Farm (8 No. wind turbines) is located to the south of this character area, and it would have intervisibility with the Proposed Development when viewing the western OHL from the north. This would result in a High magnitude of change.</p> <p>Additional Magnitude (Consented Sites) – High</p> <p>Additional Effect (Consented Sites) - <b>Major and Significant (Foel Trawsnant Wind Farm)</b></p> <p>Combined Magnitude (Consented Sites and PD) – High</p> <p>Combined Effect (Consented Sites and PD) – <b>Major and Significant (Foel Trawsnant Wind Farm and Proposed Development – Western OHL)</b></p> <p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Application Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>Foel Trawsnant Grid Connection (overhead line and underground cable route) is located in the central part of this character area. This application site is located nearby the western OHL of the Proposed Development which would result in high intervisibility, with the western OHL appearing to be a continuation of the application development. This would result in a High magnitude of change for the LCA.</p> <p>Y Bryn Windfarm is an application Wind Farm for 18No turbines, located in the southern part of the character area. Due to intervening landforms, there would be no intervisibility with the Proposed Development.</p> <p>Additional Magnitude (Application Sites) – <b>High</b></p>

**LCA 1: Llangynwyd Rolling Uplands and Forestry**

	<p>Additional Effect (Application Sites) – <b>Major and Significant (Foel Trawsnant Grid Connection)</b></p> <p>Combined Magnitude (Application Sites and PD) – <b>High</b></p> <p>Combined Effect (Application Sites and PD) – <b>Major and Significant (Foel Trawsnant Grid Connection and Proposed Development – Western OHL)</b></p> <p>The nature of these effects would be long-term (reversible), cumulative, direct and negative.</p>
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**LCA 3: Llynfi & Garw Uplands and Forestry**

<b>Magnitude of Change during Construction</b>	<p>During the construction period there will be direct temporary effects on this LCA as two sections of the proposed eastern OHL will pass through this character area on its northern fringes and at a point of transition with the adjacent LCA (LCA15 Mynydd y Gelli). Construction activities will introduce vehicle movement and construction machinery to the character area. However, effects can be contained within a localised area as construction vehicles will be utilising existing tracks.</p> <p>The proposed location for the construction compound will be in an area near the western boundary of the LCA, where it may be visible across the valley from certain high elevation points within the character area.</p> <p>The areas within the character area where the eastern OHL section will traverse have high levels of tranquillity, therefore the associated movement, visual intrusion of construction activity shall have a temporary adverse effect.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LCA (considered to be of Medium sensitivity) during construction would be <b>Low</b> (eastern OHL).</p>
<b>Magnitude of Change during Operation</b>	<p>In the section of the eastern OHL traversing the northern fringes of this LCA, the Proposed Development will be noticeable as it traverses an area of open grazing land on the ridgelines of Mynydd Caerau, an area which greatly contributes to the key characteristic of the character area. However, the OHL would be viewed in conjunction with the wind turbines of Upper Ogmores Wind Farm in this area. As the wind turbines are of a much larger scale, they will be more noticeable than the proposed eastern OHL and would reduce the effect that the Proposed Development would have on the landscape.</p> <p>The section of the proposed eastern OHL traversing below Croeserw would be viewed in conjunction with built development there in the settlement, which would reduce the effect on the character area. In locations north of the LCA where the proposed eastern OHL route will traverse, the route will be situated in areas of open landscape which avoid ridgelines, also reducing its effect on the character area.</p>

### LCA 3: Llynfi & Garw Uplands and Forestry

	The magnitude of change for this LCA (considered to be of Medium sensitivity) during Operation would be <b>Low</b> (eastern OHL).
<b>Level of Effect (of Project)</b>	Level of effect during Construction – Minor (eastern OHL). Level of effect during Operation - Minor (eastern OHL).
<b>Type of Effect</b>	Short term, direct and negative (Construction) Long term, direct and neutral (Operation)
<b>Cumulative assessment</b>	<p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Consented Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>There are no consented sites situated within this character area. Neither would there be intervisibility with any of the consented sites from this character area. Therefore, there would be no cumulative effects from this aspect area for consented sites and the proposed development.</p> <p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Application Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>There are no application sites located within this character area or nearby. Therefore, there would be no cumulative affects from this LCA for application sites and the Proposed Development.</p>

### LCA 6: Mynydd Llangeinwyr Uplands

<b>Magnitude of Change during Construction</b>	<p>During the construction period there will be direct temporary effects on the northeastern portion of this LCA as it borders LCA15 Mynydd y Gelli which is adjacent. The construction of the proposed eastern UGC will introduce vehicle movement and construction machinery to this character area. On the day of installation, poles will be transported to the works area and laid down within the Site boundary. This character area has high levels of tranquillity, however works would be perceived within the context of adjacent wind turbines, which dominate the local character, particularly to the north of the proposed works, therefore the associated movement, and visual intrusion of construction activity shall have a temporary adverse effect.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LCA (considered to be of High sensitivity) during construction would be <b>High (eastern UGC)</b>.</p>
<b>Magnitude of Change during Operation</b>	<p>During operations, the construction activities will cease to have any impacts on landscape character.</p> <p>Soils/ grasslands that have been disturbed will be reinstated following the construction works. The eastern UGC route will be undergrounded and will not be visible within this character area.</p>

<b>LCA 6: Mynydd Llangeinwyr Uplands</b>	
	The magnitude of change for this LCA (considered to be of High sensitivity) during operation would be <b>Negligible (eastern UGC)</b> .
<b>Level of Effect (of Project)</b>	Level of effect during Construction – <b>Major and Significant (eastern UGC)</b> . Level of effect during Operation – Minor to Negligible (eastern UGC and OHL).
<b>Type of Effect</b>	Short term, direct and negative (Construction) Long term, direct and neutral (Operation)
<b>Cumulative assessment</b>	<p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Consented Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>There are no consented sites situated within this character area. Neither would there be intervisibility with any of the consented sites from this character area. Therefore, there would be no cumulative effects from this aspect area for consented sites and the proposed development.</p> <p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Application Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>There are no application sites located within this character area or nearby. Therefore, there would be no cumulative affects from this LCA for application sites and the Proposed Development.</p>

<b>CA 11: Cwm Afan and Cwm Pelenna</b>	
<b>Magnitude of Change during Construction</b>	<p>During the construction period there will be direct temporary effects on this LCA as it contains a short section of the proposed western UGC and the eastern OHL on its southern boundary. The construction of these sections will introduce vehicle movement and construction machinery to the character area.</p> <p>The construction compound will not be located within the LCA but will be situated in proximity to the area leading to glimpses or partial views of the compound as well as vehicle movements between the compound and construction sites. The movement and visual intrusion of construction activity will have a temporary adverse effect to this LCA but will not be readily noticeable as they may be perceived as an extension of activities from the settlement of Croeserw.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LCA (considered to be of Medium sensitivity) during construction would be <b>Low</b> (western UGC and eastern OHL).</p>
<b>Magnitude of Change during Operation</b>	<p>During its operational period, the underground section, which traverses on the southwest boundary of this LCA, will cease to have any impacts on landscape character as the trench would have been restored. There would be no visibility for the western UGC and this would not affect the character of this LCA.</p> <p>A short section of the proposed eastern OHL would be visible along the southern margins of the LCA and would be between 12-15m high. The visibility</p>

<b>CA 11: Cwm Afan and Cwm Pelenna</b>	
	<p>would be contained to the southern parts of the LCA, along the boundary with the adjacent LCA 3 Llynfi &amp; Garw Uplands and Forestry. The eastern OHL would be hardly noticeable when viewed from this LCA as the route traverses a lower elevated area, where it will be screened by other built development on the valley slopes.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LCA (considered to be of Medium sensitivity) during Operation is assessed to be <b>Negligible</b> (western UGC and eastern OHL).</p>
<b>Level of Effect (of Project)</b>	<p>Level of effect during Construction – Minor (western UGC and eastern OHL). Level of effect during Operation – Minor to Negligible (western UGC and eastern OHL).</p>
<b>Type of Effect</b>	<p>Short term, direct and negative (Construction) Long term, direct and neutral (Operation)</p>
<b>Cumulative assessment</b>	<p>There would be no landscape character effects during the operation phase for this VSAA and therefore would be no cumulative effects.</p>

<b>CA 13: Foel Trawsnant</b>	
<b>Magnitude of Change during Construction</b>	<p>During the construction period there will be indirect temporary effects on this LCA. The construction of these sections will introduce vehicle movement and construction machinery to this character area’s boundary with the adjacent LCA1 Llangynwyd Rolling Uplands and Forestry, negatively affecting the high levels of tranquillity of the area. The exposed character and simple grass cover of this character area will allow for prominent views of the construction vehicles and machinery, introducing elements that is not considered characteristic of the landscape.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LCA (considered to be of Medium sensitivity) during construction would be <b>High</b> (western OHL).</p>
<b>Magnitude of Change during Operation</b>	<p>At Operation, all construction activity will have ceased and shall have no effect on the landscape character. Soils/ grasslands that have been disturbed will be reinstated following the construction works.</p> <p>The western OHL section of the Proposed Development would run through open tracts of grazing land in the upper slopes of Foel y Dyffryn in the adjacent LCA 1 Llangynwyd Rolling Uplands and Forestry, where the introduction of the OHLs would introduce an element that is uncharacteristic of this landscape as the area is generally devoid of built development. The presence of the OHL would have an effect on the high levels of tranquillity of the LCA, where it will be highly visible against the rural and open landscapes.</p>

CA 13: Foel Trawsnant	
	The magnitude of change for this LCA (considered to be of Medium sensitivity) during Operation would be <b>High</b> (western OHL).
<b>Level of Effect (of Project)</b>	Level of effect during Construction – Major to Moderate and Significant (western OHL). Level of effect during Operation – Major to Moderate and Significant (western OHL).
<b>Type of Effect</b>	Short term, indirect and negative (Construction) Long term, indirect and negative (Operation)
<b>Cumulative assessment</b>	<p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Consented Sites + Proposed Development</u> Foel Trawsnant consented Wind Farm (8 No. wind turbines) is located in the adjacent character area to the south, CA 12 Mynydd Penhydd. However, there would be no intervisibility with the western OHL section of the Proposed Development as this would be experienced in view towards east. Therefore, there would be no cumulative effects from this aspect area for consented sites and the proposed development.</p> <p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Application Sites + Proposed Development</u> Foel Trawsnant Grid Connection (overhead line and underground cable route) is located in the adjacent character area (LCA 1 Llangynwyd Rolling Uplands and Forestry), to the west of the Proposed Development’s western OHL section. This would result in high intervisibility between the two, however the western OHL would appear to be a continuation of the application development therefore reducing the magnitude of change experienced in this character area to Negligible.</p> <p>Additional Magnitude (Application Sites) – <b>Negligible</b> Additional Effect (Application Sites) – <b>Minor to Negligible (Foel Trawsnant Grid Connection)</b> Combined Magnitude (Application Sites and PD) – <b>Medium</b> Combined Effect (Application Sites and PD) – <b>Moderate and Significant (Foel Trawsnant Grid Connection and Proposed Development – Western OHL)</b> The nature of these effects would be long-term (reversible), cumulative, indirect and negative.</p>

<b>CA 14: Foel Fawr</b>	
<b>Magnitude of Change during Construction</b>	<p>During the construction period there will be direct temporary effects on this LCA. The construction of these sections will introduce vehicle movement and construction machinery to this character area's as the Construction Compound will be located within this CA. However, vehicles would make use of existing tracks and these activities would be limited to the southeast corner of the character area.</p> <p>There would be views of construction activities for the Proposed Development's western UGC section and eastern OHL section in the adjacent character to the east, CA 11 Cwm Afan and Cwm Pelenna. The associated movement and visual intrusion of construction activity in the adjacent character area shall have a temporary adverse indirect effect on the LCA, although these would be considered negligible changes due to the existence of development in settlement of Croeserw where these would be located.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LCA (considered to be of Medium sensitivity) during construction would be therefore be <b>Low</b> (Construction Compound) and <b>Negligible</b> (western UGC and eastern OHL).</p>
<b>Magnitude of Change during Operation</b>	<p>At Operation, all construction activity will have ceased and shall have no effect on the landscape character. Soils/ grasslands that have been disturbed will be reinstated following the construction works.</p> <p>The western UGC section and eastern OHL section will traverse through the adjacent character area to the east, CA 11 Cwm Afan and Cwm Pelenna, where the OHLs would be viewed as part of the built development in Croeserw. There will be no views of the western UGC as this will be undergrounded.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LCA (considered to be of Medium sensitivity) during Operation would therefore be <b>Negligible</b> (Construction Compound, and western UGC, and eastern OHL).</p>
<b>Level of Effect (of Project)</b>	<p>Level of effect during Construction – Minor (Construction Compound) and Minor to Negligible (eastern UGC and western OHL).</p> <p>Level of effect during Operation – Minor to Negligible (Construction Compound, eastern UGC, and western OHL).</p>
<b>Type of Effect</b>	<p>Short term, indirect and negative (Construction – Construction Compound)</p> <p>Short term, indirect and neutral (Construction – western UGC and eastern OHL)</p> <p>Long term, indirect and neutral (Operation – Construction Compound, western UGC, and eastern OHL)</p>
<b>Cumulative assessment</b>	<p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Consented Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>There are no consented sites situated within this character area. Neither would there be intervisibility with any of the consented sites from this character area.</p>

<b>CA 14: Foel Fawr</b>	
	<p>Therefore, there would be no cumulative effects from this aspect area for consented sites and the proposed development.</p> <p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Application Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>There are no application sites located within this character area or nearby. Therefore, there would be no cumulative effects from this LCA for application sites and the Proposed Development.</p>

<b>CA 15: Mynydd y Gelli</b>	
<b>Magnitude of Change during Construction</b>	<p>During the construction period there will be direct temporary effects on this LCA as sections of the proposed eastern OHL and eastern UGC will pass through the area of the Upper Ogmorm Wind Farm, located towards the southern boundary of this character area.</p> <p>Construction activities will introduce vehicle movement and construction machinery to the LCA. The associated movement and visual intrusion of construction activity shall have a temporary adverse effect on the LCA, although these are considered to be moderate changes due to the existence of development in the area through the wind farm. Changes will be localised to the area within the wind farm, aided by construction vehicles utilising its existing track.</p> <p>Trenching activities required for the installation of the underground cable network will introduce a noticeable change to the landscape. However, as this will be contained to the southeast portion of the LCA where the Wind Farm is situated, it is considered that the effects on the character area will just be moderate.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LCA (considered to be of High sensitivity) during construction would be <b>Low (eastern OHL)</b> and <b>Medium (eastern UGC)</b>.</p>
<b>Magnitude of Change during Operation</b>	<p>At Operation all construction activity will have ceased and shall have no effect on the landscape character.</p> <p>The eastern OHL would be visible within this LCA and would be between 12-15m high. Its visibility would be limited to the southern parts of the LCA and would extend east into the neighbouring LCA 3 Llynfi &amp; Garw Uplands and Forestry. The OHL would be viewed with coniferous woodland in the background in views towards the south and west and against the skyline and wind turbines from the Upper Ogmorm Wind Farm in views towards north, where the wooden poles of the OHL would be viewed as a similar element. The eastern UGC will be undergrounded and therefore will have no effect on the LCA.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LCA (considered to be of High sensitivity) during Operation would be <b>Low (eastern OHL)</b> and <b>Negligible (eastern UGC)</b>.</p>

CA 15: Mynydd y Gelli	
<b>Level of Effect (of Project)</b>	<p>Level of effect during Construction – Moderate to Minor (eastern OHL) and <b>Major to Moderate and Significant (eastern UGC)</b>.</p> <p>Level of effect during Operation – Moderate to Minor (eastern OHL) and Minor to Negligible (eastern UGC).</p>
<b>Type of Effect</b>	<p>Short term, direct and negative (Construction – eastern OHL)</p> <p>Short term, direct and negative (Construction – eastern UGC)</p> <p>Long term, direct and neutral (Operation – eastern OHL)</p> <p>Long term, direct and neutral (Operation – eastern UGC)</p>
<b>Cumulative assessment</b>	<p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Consented Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>There are no consented sites situated within this character area. Neither would there be intervisibility with any of the consented sites from this character area. Therefore, there would be no cumulative effects from this aspect area for consented sites and the proposed development.</p> <p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Application Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>There are no application sites located within this character area or nearby. Therefore, there would be no cumulative effects from this LCA for application sites and the Proposed Development.</p>

CA 18: Mynydd Resolfen, Craig-y-Llyn & Mynydd Ynyscorrwg	
<b>Magnitude of Change during Construction</b>	<p>During the construction period there will be indirect temporary effects on this LCA as views of construction activity on the eastern OHL section of the Proposed Development will be experienced in views towards south.</p> <p>The associated movement and visual intrusion of construction activity in the adjacent character area shall have a temporary adverse indirect effect on the LCA, although these would be considered negligible changes as they would be perceived within the context of the built development of Croeserw, located just to its north.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LCA (considered to be of High sensitivity) during construction would be <b>Negligible (eastern OHL)</b>.</p>
<b>Magnitude of Change during Operation</b>	<p>At Operation, there will be long distance views of the eastern OHL section of the Proposed Development as it traverses through the southern boundary of the adjacent character area, CA 11 Cwm Afan and Cwm Pelenna, in views towards south.</p> <p>The eastern OHL section would be viewed in the background and in conjunction with built development from the settlement of Croeserw, which would appear in the middle ground of views. As a result, the eastern OHL section would introduce a change that is barely distinguishable from baseline conditions.</p>

<b>CA 18: Mynydd Resolfen, Craig-y-Llyn &amp; Mynydd Ynyscorrwg</b>	
	The magnitude of change for this LCA (considered to be of High sensitivity) during Operation would be <b>Negligible (eastern OHL)</b> .
<b>Level of Effect (of Project)</b>	Level of effect during Construction – Minor to Negligible (eastern OHL) Level of effect during Operation – Minor to Negligible (eastern OHL)
<b>Type of Effect</b>	Short term, indirect and neutral (Construction) Long term, indirect and neutral (Operation)
<b>Cumulative assessment</b>	<p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Consented Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>There are no consented sites situated within this character area. Neither would there be intervisibility with any of the consented sites from this character area. Therefore, there would be no cumulative effects from this aspect area for consented sites and the proposed development.</p> <p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Application Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>There are no application sites located within this character area or nearby. Therefore, there would be no cumulative effects from this LCA for application sites and the Proposed Development.</p>

## 1.3 LANDMAP VSAA

1.3.1 The assessment for the LANDMAP VSAA are set out in **Table 6D-2** below.

**Table 6D-2 – LANDMAP VSAA Assessment**

<b>Visual and Sensory Aspect Area - CYNONVS473 – Mynydd baedan (Ref 15 - Figure 6.4)</b>	
<b>Magnitude of Change during Construction</b>	<p>During the construction period there will be direct temporary effects on this VSAA.</p> <p>The western OHL will be located within this VSAA, and the construction compound will be located in an area in the vicinity. Poles will be stored at the compound; on the day of installation, poles will be transported to the works area and laid down within the Site boundary. Construction activities for the OHL sections will introduce vehicle movement and construction machinery to the character area.</p> <p>The aspect area generally has high levels of tranquillity, therefore the associated movement and visual intrusion of construction activity will reduce the tranquillity and introduce elements that are uncharacteristic of the landscape. Construction activities shall have a temporary adverse effect on the VSAA.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LANDMAP VSAA (considered to be of High sensitivity) during construction would be <b>High (western OHL)</b>.</p>
Viewpoints 1, 2 & 4	

<b>Visual and Sensory Aspect Area - CYNONVS473 – Mynydd baedan (Ref 15 - Figure 6.4)</b>	
<b>Magnitude of Change during Operation</b>	<p>At Operation all construction activity will have ceased and shall have no effect on the VSAA. The temporary construction compound will have already been removed.</p> <p>The western OHL will traverse downslope through areas of rural farmland towards the settlement of Maesteg where the OHL begins to blend into the landscape as it transitions into an urban character on the fringes of the settlement. When viewed from across the valley towards east, the western OHL will be highly visible on the south and east facing slopes of Foel y Dyffryn. Due to the absence of built development in these areas, the western OHL will contrast with the open landscapes and will be viewed as an uncharacteristic element.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LANDMAP VSAA (considered to be of High sensitivity) during Operation would be <b>High (western OHL)</b>.</p>
<b>Level of Effect (of Project)</b>	<p>Level of effect during Construction – <b>Major and significant (western OHL)</b>.</p> <p>Level of effect during Operation – <b>Major and significant (western OHL)</b>.</p>
<b>Type of Effect</b>	<p>Short term, direct and negative (Construction)</p> <p>Long term, direct and negative (Operation)</p>
<b>Cumulative assessment</b>	<p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Consented Sites + Project</u></p> <p>When viewing the western OHL from north facing south, it will be visible in conjunction with Foel Trawsnant consented Wind Farm, comprising several turbines, which would result in a High magnitude of change.</p> <p>Additional Magnitude (Consented Sites) – High</p> <p>Additional Effect (Consented Sites) - <b>Major and Significant (Foel Trawsnant Wind Farm)</b></p> <p>Combined Magnitude (Consented Sites and PD) – High</p> <p>Combined Effect (Consented Sites and PD) – <b>Major and Significant (Foel Trawsnant Wind Farm and Proposed Development – Western OHL)</b></p> <p>The nature of these effects would be long-term (reversible), cumulative, direct, and negative.</p> <p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Application Sites + Project</u></p> <p>The applied Foel Trawsnant Grid Connection (overhead line and underground cable route) is located towards south of this aspect area. It is located adjacent to the western OHL of the Proposed Development which would result in high intervisibility, with the western OHL appearing to be a continuation of the consented development. This would result in a High magnitude of change.</p>

**Visual and Sensory Aspect Area - CYNONVS473 – Mynydd baedan (Ref 15 - Figure 6.4)**

	<p>Y Bryn Windfarm is an application Wind Farm for 18No turbines, located in the southern part of the VSAA. Due to intervening landforms, there would be no intervisibility with the Proposed Development.</p> <p>Additional Magnitude (Application Sites) - <b>High</b>                  Additional Effect (Application Sites) - <b>Major and Significant (Foel Trawsnant Grid Connection,)</b>                  Combined Magnitude (Application Sites and PD) – <b>High</b>                  Combined Effect (Application Sites and PD) – <b>Major and Significant (Foel Trawsnant Grid Connection and Proposed Development – Western OHL)</b></p> <p>The nature of these effects would be long-term (reversible), cumulative, direct, and negative.</p>
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**Visual and Sensory Aspect Area - CYNONVS351 – Maesteg (Ref 13 - Figure 6.4)**

<p><b>Magnitude of Change during Construction</b></p> <p>Viewpoints 3, 5 &amp; 6</p>	<p>During the construction period there will be direct temporary effects on this VSAA. This will introduce vehicle movement and construction machinery from the central part of the aspect area to its northern boundaries, through the A4063, one of the main roads in the area.</p> <p>The trenching activities required for laying the underground cable network will be disruptive and highly visible. However, tranquillity within the settlement is already considered to be low due to high levels of development and existing disturbing features, therefore the magnitude of change brought by construction activities is not considered to be significant. Construction activities would have a temporary adverse effect to the VSAA.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LANDMAP VSAA (considered to be of Low sensitivity) during construction would be <b>Medium (western UGC)</b>.</p>
<p><b>Magnitude of Change during Operation</b></p>	<p>The underground section will cease to have any impacts on landscape character as the trench would have been restored. There would be no visibility for the western UGC and this would not affect the landscape character of this VSAA.</p> <p>At the northeast corner of this VSAA, the introduction of the short section of the eastern OHL would not be considered an uncharacteristic element to the landscape as there is already a presence of built development within this aspect area. This therefore would result in a limited change to the landscape character of this VSAA.</p>

<b>Visual and Sensory Aspect Area - CYNONVS351 – Maesteg (Ref 13 - Figure 6.4)</b>	
	The magnitude of change for this LANDMAP VSAA (considered to be of Low sensitivity) during operation would be <b>Negligible (western UGC and eastern OHL)</b> .
<b>Level of Effect (of Project)</b>	Level of effect during Construction – <b>Moderate and significant (western UGC and eastern OHL)</b> . Level of effect during Operation – Negligible (western UGC and eastern OHL).
<b>Type of Effect</b>	Short term, direct and negative (Construction) Long term, direct and neutral (Operation)
<b>Cumulative assessment</b>	There would be no landscape character effects during the operation phase for this VSAA and therefore would be no cumulative effects.

<b>Visual and Sensory Aspect Area - NPTVS215 – Upland Settlements (Ref 1 - Figure 6.4)</b>	
<p><b>Magnitude of Change during Construction</b></p> <p>Viewpoint 7</p>	<p>During the construction period, there will be direct temporary effects on this VSAA as a short section of the proposed western UGC will be located within this aspect area and at a point of transition between this VSAA and the adjacent VSAA (CYNONVS351 – Maesteg) to the south. Trenching activities required for installing the underground cable network will be localised to a small area within the VSAA that is within an urban setting, and so it would not introduce any considerable change or uncharacteristic element to the landscape.</p> <p>Tranquillity within the settlement would be low due to existing roads including the presence of the A4063, therefore the construction activities would have a minor temporary adverse effect.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LANDMAP VSAA (considered to be of Low sensitivity) during construction would be <b>Low (western UGC and eastern OHL)</b>.</p>
<p><b>Magnitude of Change during Operation</b></p>	<p>The underground section will cease to have any impacts on landscape character as the trench would have been restored. There would be no visibility for the western UGC and this would not affect the landscape character of this VSAA.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LANDMAP VSAA (considered to be of Low sensitivity) during operation would be <b>Negligible (western UGC and eastern OHL)</b>.</p>
<p><b>Level of Effect (of Project)</b></p>	<p>Level of effect during Construction – Negligible (western UGC).</p> <p>Level of effect during Operation – Negligible (western UGC).</p>
<p><b>Type of Effect</b></p>	<p>Short term, direct and negative (Construction)</p> <p>Long term, direct and neutral (Operation)</p>
<p><b>Cumulative assessment</b></p>	<p>There would be no landscape character effects during the operation phase for this VSAA and therefore would be no cumulative effects.</p>

<b>Visual and Sensory Aspect Area - CYNONVS811 – Garth Hill (Ref 19 - Figure 6.4)</b>	
<p><b>Magnitude of Change during Construction</b></p>	<p>There will be direct temporary impacts on this VSAA during the construction phase of the proposed eastern OHL. Construction activities will introduce vehicle movement and construction machinery to a small part of the character area along its northern edge and at a point of transition from developed valley to uplands and extensive forestry in adjacent VSAA.</p> <p>There is infrequent movement within the area which would be affected when construction activities take place. However, however views out towards the settlement of Maesteg and the school at the edge of the settlement reduce the aspect area’s tranquillity, enabling it to allow for a small degree of change brought by the construction activities. This would have a temporary adverse effect on the aspect area.</p>

<b>Visual and Sensory Aspect Area - CYNONVS811 – Garth Hill (Ref 19 - Figure 6.4)</b>	
	The magnitude of change for this LANDMAP VSAA (considered to be of Medium sensitivity) during construction would be <b>Low (eastern OHL)</b> .
<b>Magnitude of Change during Operation</b>	<p>Within this aspect area, views of the eastern OHL will be heavily screened as it will traverse an area of coniferous plantations and at a point of transition between this VSAA and the adjacent VSAA (NPTVS215 – Upland Settlements) to the north where there is built development right up to the boundary. It is not considered the visibility of the OHLs would affect the landscape character of this VSAA.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LANDMAP VSAA (considered to be of Medium sensitivity) during construction would be <b>Low (eastern OHL)</b>.</p>
<b>Level of Effect (of Project)</b>	<p>Level of effect during Construction – Minor (eastern OHL).</p> <p>Level of effect during Operation – Minor (eastern OHL).</p>
<b>Type of Effect</b>	<p>Short term, direct and negative (Construction)</p> <p>Long term, direct and neutral (Operation)</p>
<b>Cumulative assessment</b>	<p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Consented Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>There are no consented sites situated within this VSAA. Neither would there be intervisibility with any of the consented sites from this VSAA. Therefore, there would be no cumulative effects from this aspect area for consented sites and the proposed development.</p> <p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Application Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>There are no application sites located within this aspect area or nearby. Therefore, there would be no cumulative affects from this VSAA for application sites and the Proposed Development.</p>

<b>Visual and Sensory Aspect Area - NPTVS547 – Mynydd y Gelli (Ref 6 - Figure 6.4)</b>	
<b>Magnitude of Change during Construction</b>	<p>During the construction period there will be direct temporary effects on this VSAA. This VSAA will contain sections of the proposed eastern OHL and eastern UGC.</p> <p>On the day of installation, poles will be transported to the works area and laid down within the Project Site boundary. Construction activities for these sections will introduce vehicle movement and construction machinery to the character area. However, these would be mostly contained to the existing tracks in the Wind Farm, resulting in a Low magnitude of change during the construction phase.</p> <p>As there is infrequent movement within this aspect area, it generally has high levels of tranquillity for which the associated movement, and visual intrusion of construction activity shall have a temporary adverse effect on the aspect area.</p>

<b>Visual and Sensory Aspect Area - NPTVS547 – Mynydd y Gelli (Ref 6 - Figure 6.4)</b>	
	<p>The trenching activities required for installing the underground cables is considered highly disruptive, although these would be localised to a small area within the VSAA and therefore will reduce the magnitude of change brought about by these activities.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LANDMAP VSAA (considered to be of High sensitivity) during construction would be <b>Low (eastern OHL)</b> and <b>Medium (eastern UGC)</b>.</p>
<b>Magnitude of Change during Operation</b>	<p>The eastern OHL of the Proposed Development will affect the southern margins of the landscape of this VSAA, although this will not be as significant considering that there are also other elements which contribute to visual clutter, such as the large wind turbines which are prominent in the skyline. In comparison, the OHL will not be as prominently visible as its wooden poles will not appear as inconspicuous when viewed against the backdrop of plantations and rolling upland grass areas.</p> <p>Turbines are already present but OHLs are an introduction the landscape. They would be minor changes and localised in a small area just to the boundary with the adjacent VSAA to the south (CYNONVS813 – Garw and Caerau Forest).</p> <p>The eastern UGC of the Proposed will be undergrounded and will result in negligible change to the VSAA during Operation.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LANDMAP VSAA (considered to be of High sensitivity) during operation would be <b>Low (eastern OHL)</b> and <b>Negligible (eastern UGC)</b>.</p>
<b>Level of Effect (of Project)</b>	<p>Level of effect during Construction – <b>Moderate to Minor (eastern OHL)</b> and <b>Major to Moderate and Significant (eastern UGC)</b>.</p> <p>Level of effect during Operation – Moderate to Minor (eastern OHL) and Minor to Negligible (eastern UGC).</p>
<b>Type of Effect</b>	<p>Short term, direct and negative (Construction, eastern OHL)</p> <p>Short term, direct and negative (Construction, eastern UGC)</p> <p>Long term, direct and neutral (Operation, eastern OHL)</p> <p>Long term, direct and neutral (Operation, eastern UGC)</p>
<b>Cumulative assessment</b>	<p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Consented Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>There are no consented sites situated within this VSAA. Neither would there be intervisibility with any of the consented sites from this VSAA. Therefore, there would be no cumulative effects from this aspect area for consented sites and the proposed development.</p> <p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Application Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>There are no application sites located within this aspect area or nearby. Therefore, there would be no cumulative affects from this VSAA for application sites and the Proposed Development.</p>

### Visual and Sensory Aspect Area – CYNONVS622 – Mynydd Llangeinwyr (Ref 17 - Figure 6.4)

<p><b>Magnitude of Change during Construction</b></p> <p>Viewpoints 10 &amp; 11</p>	<p>During the construction period there will be direct temporary effects on this VSAA.</p> <p>The eastern UGC will be located within this VSAA. Construction activities for the underground route will introduce vehicle movement and construction machinery to the character area.</p> <p>The VSAA generally has high levels of tranquillity as there is infrequent movement within this aspect area. Therefore, the associated movement, and visual intrusion of construction activity shall have a temporary adverse effect on this VSAA.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LANDMAP VSAA (considered to be of High sensitivity) during construction would be <b>High (eastern UGC)</b>.</p>
<p><b>Magnitude of Change during Operation</b></p>	<p>At Operation all construction activity will have ceased and shall have no effect on the VSAA. Soils/ grasslands that have been disturbed will have been reinstated following the construction works.</p> <p>The underground section will cease to have any impacts on character as the trench would have been restored. There would be no visibility for the UGC and therefore there would be no distinguishable change to the character of this VSAA from baseline conditions.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LANDMAP VSAA (considered to be of High sensitivity) during operation would therefore be <b>Negligible (eastern UGC)</b>.</p>
<p><b>Level of Effect (of Project)</b></p>	<p>Level of effect during Construction – <b>Major and Significant (eastern UGC)</b>. Level of effect during Operation – Minor to Negligible (eastern UGC).</p>
<p><b>Type of Effect</b></p>	<p>Short term, direct and negative (Construction) Long term, direct and neutral (Operation)</p>
<p><b>Cumulative assessment</b></p>	<p>There would be no landscape character effects during the operation phase for this VSAA and therefore would be no cumulative effects.</p>

<b>Visual and Sensory Aspect Area – CYNONVS813 – Garw and Caerau Forest (Ref 20 - Figure 6.4)</b>	
<p><b>Magnitude of Change during Construction</b></p> <p>Viewpoints 8, 12 &amp; 13</p>	<p>There will be direct temporary impacts on this VSAA during the construction phase of the proposed eastern OHL. Construction activities will introduce vehicle movement and construction machinery to a small part of the character area along its northern edge, however their movements will be generally limited to the existing track at the Upper Ogmore Wind Farm.</p> <p>There is infrequent movement within the area which would be affected when construction activities take place. However, the presence of large wind turbines and substation developments in this aspect area and visible to the north in the adjacent VSAA reduces its susceptibility, allowing for a small degree of change brought by the construction activities. Plantation woodland currently provides a contained landscape that limits impacts from being perceived to the south and across the majority of the VSAA. This would have a temporary adverse effect on the aspect area.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LANDMAP VSAA (considered to be of Medium sensitivity) during construction would be <b>Low (eastern OHL)</b>.</p>
<p><b>Magnitude of Change during Operation</b></p>	<p>At operation, the eastern OHL will be introduced as a small change to the landscape as it will viewed alongside large wind turbines that are already present in the area and in the context of extensive plantation woodland. Its wooden poles and its smaller scale will allow it to blend with the backdrop of coniferous plantations so that it will not be readily noticeable in the landscape.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LANDMAP VSAA (considered to be of Medium sensitivity) during Operation would be <b>Low (eastern OHL)</b>.</p>
<p><b>Level of Effect (of Project)</b></p>	<p>Level of effect during Construction – Minor (eastern OHL).</p> <p>Level of effect during Operation – Minor (eastern OHL).</p>
<p><b>Type of Effect</b></p>	<p>Short term, direct and negative (Construction)</p> <p>Long term, direct and neutral (Operation).</p>
<p><b>Cumulative assessment</b></p>	<p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Consented Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>There are no consented sites situated within this VSAA. Neither would there be intervisibility with any of the consented sites from this VSAA. Therefore, there would be no cumulative effects from this aspect area for consented sites and the proposed development.</p> <p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Application Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>There are no application sites located within this aspect area or nearby. Therefore, there would be no cumulative affects from this VSAA for application sites and the Proposed Development.</p>

**Visual and Sensory Aspect Area – NPTVS465 – Foel Fawr (Ref 5 - Figure 6.4)**

<p><b>Magnitude of Change during Construction</b></p>	<p>There will be indirect temporary impacts on this VSAA during the construction phase of the proposed western OHL. Construction activities will introduce vehicle movement and construction machinery to a small part of the character area along its northern edge, however their movements will be generally limited to the existing track at the Upper Ogmore Wind Farm.</p> <p>There is infrequent movement within the area which would be affected when construction activities take place. However, the presence of large wind turbines and substation developments in this aspect area and visible to the north in the adjacent VSAA reduces its susceptibility, allowing for a small degree of change brought by the construction activities. Plantation woodland currently provides a contained landscape that limits impacts from being perceived to the south and across the majority of the VSAA. This would have a temporary adverse effect on the aspect area.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this LANDMAP VSAA (considered to be of Medium sensitivity) during construction would be <b>Low (eastern OHL)</b>.</p> <p>There will be direct temporary effects on this VSAA during the construction phase. As the Construction Compound is located within this VSAA, the construction phase will introduce vehicle movement and construction machinery to this area. However, vehicles would make use of existing tracks and these activities would be limited to the southeast corner of the character area.</p> <p>There would be views of construction activities for the Proposed Development’s western UGC section and eastern OHL section in the adjacent VSAA, NPTVS215 Upland Settlements, which is located to its east. The associated movement and visual intrusion of construction activity in the adjacent VSAA shall have a temporary adverse indirect effect on the LCA, although these would be considered negligible changes due to the existence of development in settlement of Croeserw where these would be located.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this VSAA (considered to be of Medium sensitivity) during construction would be therefore be <b>Low</b> (Construction Compound) and <b>Negligible</b> (western UGC and eastern OHL).</p>
<p><b>Magnitude of Change during Operation</b></p>	<p>At Operation, all construction activity will have ceased and shall have no effect on the landscape character. Soils/ grasslands that have been disturbed will be reinstated following the construction works.</p> <p>The western UGC section and eastern OHL section will traverse through the adjacent VSAA to the east, NPTVS215 Upland Settlements, where the OHLs would be viewed as part of the built development in Croeserw. There will be no views of the western UGC as this will be undergrounded.</p>

<b>Visual and Sensory Aspect Area – NPTVS465 – Foel Fawr (Ref 5 - Figure 6.4)</b>	
	The magnitude of change for this VSAA (considered to be of Medium sensitivity) during Operation would therefore be <b>Negligible</b> (Construction Compound, and western UGC, and eastern OHL).
<b>Level of Effect (of Project)</b>	Level of effect during Construction – Minor (Construction Compound) and Minor to Negligible (eastern UGC and western OHL). Level of effect during Operation – Minor to Negligible (Construction Compound, eastern UGC, and western OHL).
<b>Type of Effect</b>	Short term, indirect and negative (Construction – Construction Compound) Short term, indirect and neutral (Construction – western UGC and eastern OHL) Long term, indirect and neutral (Operation – Construction Compound, western UGC, and eastern OHL)
<b>Cumulative assessment</b>	<p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Consented Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>There are no consented sites situated within this VSAA. Neither would there be intervisibility with any of the consented sites from this VSAA. Therefore, there would be no cumulative effects from this aspect area for consented sites and the proposed development.</p> <p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Application Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>There are no application sites located within this aspect area or nearby. Therefore, there would be no cumulative affects from this VSAA for application sites and the Proposed Development.</p>

<b>Visual and Sensory Aspect Area – NPTVS962 – Mynydd Nant y bar / Mynydd Blaenafan (Ref 9 - Figure 6.4)</b>	
<b>Magnitude of Change during Construction</b>	<p>During the construction period there will be indirect temporary effects on this VSAA as views of construction activity on the eastern OHL section of the Proposed Development will be experienced in views towards south.</p> <p>The associated movement and visual intrusion of construction activity in the adjacent character area shall have a temporary adverse indirect effect on the VSAA, although these would be considered negligible changes as they would be perceived within the context of the built development of Croeserw, located just to its north.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this VSAA (considered to be of High sensitivity) during construction would be <b>Negligible (eastern OHL)</b>.</p>

<b>Visual and Sensory Aspect Area – NPTVS962 – Mynydd Nant y bar / Mynydd Blaenafan (Ref 9 - Figure 6.4)</b>	
<b>Magnitude of Change during Operation</b>	<p>At Operation, there will be long distance views of the eastern OHL section of the Proposed Development as it traverses through the southern boundary of the adjacent VSAA, NPTVS215 Upland Settlements, in views towards south.</p> <p>The eastern OHL section would be viewed in the background and in conjunction with built development from the settlement of Croeserw, which would appear in the middle ground of views. As a result, the eastern OHL section would introduce a change that is barely distinguishable from baseline conditions.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this VSAA (considered to be of High sensitivity) during Operation would be <b>Negligible (eastern OHL)</b>.</p>
<b>Level of Effect (of Project)</b>	<p>Level of effect during Construction – Minor to Negligible (eastern OHL)</p> <p>Level of effect during Operation – Minor to Negligible (eastern OHL)</p>
<b>Type of Effect</b>	<p>Short term, indirect and neutral (Construction)</p> <p>Long term, indirect and neutral (Operation)</p>
<b>Cumulative assessment</b>	<p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Consented Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>There are no consented sites situated within this character VSAA. Neither would there be intervisibility with any of the consented sites from this VSAA. Therefore, there would be no cumulative effects from this aspect area for consented sites and the proposed development.</p> <p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Application Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>There are no application sites located within this character area or nearby. Therefore, there would be no cumulative effects from this VSAA for application sites and the Proposed Development.</p>

<b>Visual and Sensory Aspect Area – NPTVS358 – Foel Trawsnant (Ref 2 - Figure 6.4)</b>	
<b>Magnitude of Change during Construction</b>	<p>During the construction period there will be indirect temporary effects on this VSAA. The construction of these sections will introduce vehicle movement and construction machinery to this area’s boundary with the adjacent VSAA CYNONVS473 Mynydd baedan, negatively affecting the high levels of tranquillity of the area. The exposed character and simple grass cover of this landscape area will allow for prominent views of the construction vehicles and machinery, introducing elements that is not considered characteristic of the landscape.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this VSAA (considered to be of Medium sensitivity) during construction would be <b>High</b> (western OHL).</p>

<b>Visual and Sensory Aspect Area – NPTVS358 – Foel Trawsnant (Ref 2 - Figure 6.4)</b>	
<b>Magnitude of Change during Operation</b>	<p>At Operation, all construction activity will have ceased and shall have no effect on the landscape character. Soils/ grasslands that have been disturbed will be reinstated following the construction works.</p> <p>The western OHL section of the Proposed Development would run through open tracts of grazing land in the upper slopes of Foel y Dyffryn in the adjacent VSAA CYNONVS473 Mynydd baedan, where the introduction of the OHLs would introduce an element that is uncharacteristic of this landscape as the area is generally devoid of built development. The presence of the OHL would have an effect on the high levels of tranquillity of the VSAA, where it will be highly visible against the rural and open landscapes.</p> <p>The magnitude of change for this VSAA (considered to be of Medium sensitivity) during Operation would be <b>High</b> (western OHL).</p>
<b>Level of Effect (of Project)</b>	<p>Level of effect during Construction – Major to Moderate and Significant (western OHL).</p> <p>Level of effect during Operation – Major to Moderate and Significant (western OHL).</p>
<b>Type of Effect</b>	<p>Short term, indirect and negative (Construction)</p> <p>Long term, indirect and negative (Operation)</p>
<b>Cumulative assessment</b>	<p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Consented Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>Foel Trawsnant consented Wind Farm (8 No. wind turbines) is located in the adjacent VSAA to the south, NPTVS366 Mynydd Penhydd. However, there would be no intervisibility with the western OHL section of the Proposed Development as this would be experienced in view towards east. Therefore, there would be no cumulative effects from this aspect area for consented sites and the proposed development.</p> <p><u>Cumulative Assessment: Application Sites + Proposed Development</u></p> <p>Foel Trawsnant Grid Connection (overhead line and underground cable route) is located in the adjacent VSAA (CYNONVS473 Mynydd Baedan), to the west of the Proposed Development’s western OHL section. This would result in high intervisibility between the two, however the western OHL would appear to be a continuation of the application development therefore reducing the magnitude of change experienced in this character area to Negligible.</p> <p>Additional Magnitude (Application Sites) – <b>Negligible</b></p> <p>Additional Effect (Application Sites) – <b>Minor to Negligible (Foel Trawsnant Grid Connection)</b></p> <p>Combined Magnitude (Application Sites and PD) – <b>Medium</b></p> <p>Combined Effect (Application Sites and PD) – <b>Moderate and Significant (Foel Trawsnant Grid Connection and Proposed Development – Western OHL)</b></p>

**Visual and Sensory Aspect Area – NPTVS358 – Foel Trawsnant (Ref 2 - Figure 6.4)**

The nature of these effects would be long-term (reversible), cumulative, indirect and negative.