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This Landscape Assessment Schedule considers the effects of the Proposed Ribble Crossing on the county and local-level Landscape Character Areas (LCAs). 1)

- The detailed assessment area extends to 2 km radius from the centreline of the Proposed Ribble Crossing. Significant landscape effects beyond 2 km are considered unlikely due to distance, intervening topography and 2) vegetation.
- Refer to Figure 6.4 for the location and extent of LCAs within the detailed assessment area. 3)
- 4) Distances to the Proposed Ribble Crossing are measured as the closest distance between the edge of the LCA and the centreline of the Proposed Ribble Crossing.
- G7. Browsholme LCA has been excluded from the assessment as the LCA would experience no discernible change to its landscape due to a combination of intervening topography, settlement and vegetation. 5)

Landscape / Townscape	Sensitivity (with value (V) and susceptibility (S))	Embedded and Good Practice Landscape Mitigation	Assessment Timescale	Description of Change	Magnitude of Effect	Significance of Effect (Pre- Mitigation)	Additional Mitigation	Magnitude of Effect	Significance of Effect (Residual Effect)
5b. Lower Hodder and Loud Valley Landscape Character Area (05. Undulating	High (V: High / S: High)	Jeanting to replace vegetation removed during the enabling phase./: High / S: igh)Planting to replace vegetation removed during the enabling phase.Areas used for construction works returned to agriculture.Reinstatement of existing landform altered during the enabling phase.Reinstatement of grass sward.Reinstatement of hedgerows and fences.Seeding of temporary topsoil storage mounds and earthworks.	Enabling Works Phase	Direct physical changes resulting from the removal of small areas of vegetation; temporary closure and diversion of local PRoW network; soil stripping and storage; establishment of compounds and temporary access roads; and construction of the bridge platform to the north of the River Ribble. Disruption of field boundaries would slightly erode the small-scale field pattern, although the removal of tree and shrub vegetation would be limited to the undulating lowland farmland to the north of the River Ribble and along West Braford Road. Construction traffic and plant and machinery would reduce tranquillity and increase the perception of movement and disturbance. Activities would contrast with the pastoral and generally undeveloped setting of the rural valley area, directly affecting the rural qualities of the LCA. A noticeable and uncharacteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape.	Minor	Moderate Adverse	None	Minor	Moderate Adverse
Lowland Farmland LCT) Approx. Dist.: 0 m from the Proposed Ribble Crossing			Construction Phase	Direct physical changes resulting from the loss of small areas of vegetation; haul road topsoil stripping and storage; and construction of the haul road and River Ribble bridge, including columns and bridge sections. This would be followed by the removal of compounds and temporary access roads, and the partial reinstatement of areas disturbed during construction activities. Additional construction activity would further increase the perception of movement and disturbance and further reduce tranquillity. Activities would continue to contrast with the pastoral and generally undeveloped setting of the rural valley area, directly affecting the of rural qualities of the LCA. A substantial and uncharacteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape.	Moderate	Major Adverse	None	Moderate	Major Adverse
			Operation Phase	Direct physical changes from the presence of the haul road and River Ribble bridge and seeded soil storage mounds and earthworks. Construction traffic along the haul road would continue to affect tranquillity; however, these would be reduced when compared the construction phase. Partial reinstatement during construction would help to integrate the proposed Ribble Crossing into the landscape and restore the rural area to predominantly agricultural use, which would offset some adverse effects on the LCA. A noticeable and uncharacteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape.	Minor	Moderate Adverse	None	Minor	Moderate Adverse
			Decommissioning Phase	Direct physical changes resulting from the establishment of decommissioning compounds and temporary access roads; and the removal of the haul road and the River Ribble bridge. This would be followed by the removal of compounds and temporary access roads; reinstatement to original land profiles; reinstatement of boundary features and agricultural land; seeding and mitigation planting; and the reinstatement of the PRoW network. Construction traffic and plant and machinery would continue to affect tranquillity.	Minor	Moderate Adverse	None	Minor	Moderate Adverse

Table 1.1: Schedule of Landscape Effects (Ribble Crossing)

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Landscape / Townscape	Sensitivity (with value (V) and susceptibility (S))	Embedded and Good Practice Landscape Mitigation	Assessment Timescale	Description of Change	Magnitude of Effect	Significance of Effect (Pre- Mitigation)	Additional Mitigation	Magnitude of Effect	Significance of Effect (Residual Effect)
				Activities would continue to contrast with the pastoral and generally undeveloped setting of the rural area, directly affecting the of rural qualities of the LCA. A noticeable and uncharacteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape would remain.					
			Post- Decommissioning Phase (Year 1)	Reinstatement of the rural area to its original agricultural use would reduce the adverse effect on the LCA. However, mitigation planting would provide limited integration at Year 1 and a barely perceptible loss of existing vegetation would remain within a small area. A barely perceptible and characteristic change to a very small proportion of the landscape.	Negligible	Slight Adverse	None	Negligible	Slight Adverse
			Post- Decommissioning Phase (Year 15)	Maturing mitigation planting would be sufficiently established to provide landscape integration and replace removed vegetation during the enabling works. A barely perceptible and characteristic change to a very small proportion of the landscape would remain.	Negligible	Negligible	None	Negligible	Negligible
5e. Lower Ribblesdale (Clitheroe to Gisburn) Landscape	High (V: High / S: Medium)	V: High / S: planting to replace vegetation removed during the enabling	Enabling Works Phase	Minor disturbance from the perception of introduced enabling works activities within the adjacent LCA to the north. Activity and views towards uncharacteristic features would indirectly affect the settled rural qualities of the LCA, although the effects would be limited to very small areas at the settlement edge of Clitheroe or from elevated long-distance views (e.g. Clitheroe Castle). A minor and uncharacteristic change to a very small proportion of the landscape.	Negligible	Slight Adverse	None	Negligible	Slight Adverse
Character Area (05.		Areas used for construction works returned to agriculture.	Construction Phase	Minor disturbance from the perception of construction activities. Activity and views towards uncharacteristic features would continue to indirectly affect the settled rural qualities of the LCA. A minor and uncharacteristic change to a very small proportion of the landscape would remain.	Negligible	Slight Adverse	None	Negligilbe	Slight Adverse
Undulating Lowland Farmland LCT)		Reinstatement of existing landform altered during the enabling works.	Operation Phase	Barely perceptible disturbance from the perception of moving traffic along the Proposed Ribble Crossing during operation. Partial reinstatement during construction would help to integrate the proposed Ribble Crossing into the landscape. A barely perceptible and uncharacteristic change to a very small proportion of the landscape.	Negligible	Slight Adverse	None	Negligible	Slight Adverse
Approx. Dist.: 125 m from the Proposed Ribble		Reinstatement of grass sward.	Decommissioning Phase	Minor disturbance from the perception of introduced decommissioning activities. Activity and views towards uncharacteristic features would indirectly affect the of settled rural qualities of the LCA. A minor and uncharacteristic change to a very small proportion of the landscape.	Negligible	Slight Adverse	None	Negligible	Slight Adverse
Crossing		Reinstatement of stone walls and fences. Seeding of temporary	Post- Decommissioning Phase (Year 1)	Barely perceptible change from vegetation loss. Reinstatement would help restore the rural area to the north to its original agricultural use; however, mitigation planting would provide limited integration at Year 1. A barely perceptible and characteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape.	Negligible	Slight Adverse	None	Negligible	Slight Adverse
		topsoil storage mounds and earthworks.	Post- Decommissioning Phase (Year 15)	Maturing mitigation planting would be sufficiently established to provide landscape integration and replace removed vegetation. A barely perceptible and characteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape would remain.	Negligible	Negligible	None	Negligible	Negligible
5g. South Bowland Fringes	High (V: High / S: High)	Tree and shrub planting to replace vegetation removed during the enabling works.	Enabling Works Phase	Minor disturbance from the perception of introduced enabling works activities within the adjacent LCA to the south. Activity and views towards uncharacteristic features would indirectly affect the of rural qualities of the LCA from a small section of the lowland valley fringes to the north of the River Ribble. A minor and uncharacteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape.	Minor	Slight Adverse	None	Minor	Slight Adverse



Landscape / Townscape	Sensitivity (with value (V) and susceptibility (S))	Embedded and Good Practice Landscape Mitigation	Assessment Timescale	Description of Change	Magnitude of Effect	Significance of Effect (Pre- Mitigation)	Additional Mitigation	Magnitude of Effect	Significance of Effect (Residual Effect)	
Landscape Character Area			Construction Phase	Minor disturbance from the perception of construction activities. Activity and views towards uncharacteristic features would continue to indirectly affect the rural qualities of the LCA. A minor and uncharacteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape would remain.	Minor	Slight Adverse	None	Minor	Slight Adverse	
(05. Undulating Lowland Farmland LCT)		returned to agriculture. Reinstatement of existing landform	Operation Phase	Minor disturbance from the perception of moving traffic along the Proposed Ribble Crossing during operation. Partial reinstatement during construction would help to integrate the proposed Ribble Crossing into the landscape. A minor and uncharacteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape would remain.	Minor	Slight Adverse	None	Minor	Slight Adverse	
Approx. Dist.: 50 m from		altered during the enabling works. Reinstatement of grass	Decommissioning Phase	Minor disturbance from the perception of introduced decommissioning activities. Activity and views towards uncharacteristic features would indirectly affect the of rural qualities of the LCA. A minor and uncharacteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape would remain.	Minor	Slight Adverse	None	Minor	Slight Adverse	
Proposed Ribble Crossing		sward. Reinstatement of hedgerows and fences.	Post- Decommissioning Phase (Year 1)	Barely perceptible change from vegetation loss. Reinstatement would help restore the rural area to the south to its original agricultural use; however, mitigation planting would provide limited integration at Year 1. A barely perceptible and characteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape.	Negligible	Slight Adverse	None	Negligible	Slight Adverse	
		Seeding of temporary topsoil storage mounds and earthworks.	Post- Decommissioning Phase (Year 15)	Maturing mitigation planting would be sufficiently established to provide landscape integration and replace removed vegetation. A barely perceptible and characteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape would remain.	Negligible	Negligible	None	Negligible	Negligible	
Ribble Valley	High (V: High / S: High)	(V: High / S: High) / S: High) / S: Area cons	Tree and shrub planting to replace vegetation removed during the enabling phase. Areas used for construction works returned to agriculture.	Enabling Works Phase	Direct physical changes resulting from the removal of small areas of vegetation; temporary closure and diversion of local PRoW network; soil stripping and storage; establishment of compounds and temporary access roads; and construction of the bridge platform to the south of the River Ribble. Existing field boundaries would be slightly eroded, although the removal of tree and shrub vegetation would be limited to small areas of agricultural land to the south of the River Ribble and West Bradford Road. Construction traffic and plant and machinery would reduce tranquillity and increase the perception of movement and disturbance. Activities would contrast with the pastoral and generally undeveloped setting of the rural valley area, directly affecting the rural qualities of the LCA. A noticeable and uncharacteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape.	Minor	Moderate Adverse	None	Minor	Moderate Adverse
		Reinstatement of existing landform altered during the enabling phase. Reinstatement of grass sward.	Construction Phase	Direct physical changes resulting from the loss of small areas of vegetation; topsoil stripping and storage; and construction of the haul road and River Ribble bridge, including columns and bridge sections. This would be followed by the removal of compounds and the partial reinstatement of areas disturbed during construction activities. Additional construction activity would further increase the perception of movement and disturbance and further reduce tranquillity. Activities would continue to contrast with the pastoral and generally undeveloped setting of the rural valley area, directly affecting the of rural qualities of the LCA. A substantial and uncharacteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape would remain.	Moderate	Major Adverse	None	Moderate	Major Adverse	



Landscape / Townscape	Sensitivity (with value (V) and susceptibility (S))	Embedded and Good Practice Landscape Mitigation	Assessment Timescale	Description of Change	Magnitude of Effect	Significance of Effect (Pre- Mitigation)	Additional Mitigation	Magnitude of Effect	Significance of Effect (Residual Effect)
		Reinstatement of stone walls and fences. Seeding of temporary topsoil storage mounds and earthworks.	Operation Phase	Direct physical changes from the presence of the haul road and River Ribble bridge and seeded soil storage mounds and earthworks. Construction traffic along the haul road would continue to affect tranquillity; however, these would be reduced when compared the construction phase. Partial reinstatement during construction would help to integrate the proposed Ribble Crossing into the landscape and restore the rural area to predominantly agricultural use, which would offset some adverse effects on the LCA. A noticeable and uncharacteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape.	Minor	Moderate Adverse	None	Minor	Moderate Adverse
			Decommissioning Phase	Direct physical changes resulting from the establishment of decommissioning compounds and the removal of the haul road and the River Ribble bridge. This would be followed by the removal of compounds; reinstatement to original land profiles; reinstatement of boundary features and agricultural land; seeding and mitigation planting; and the reinstatement of the PRoW network. Construction traffic and plant and machinery would continue to affect tranquillity. Activities would continue to contrast with the pastoral and generally undeveloped setting of the rural area, directly affecting the of rural qualities of the LCA. A noticeable and uncharacteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape would remain.	Minor	Moderate Adverse	None	Minor	Moderate Adverse
			Post- Decommissioning Phase (Year 1)	Reinstatement of the rural area to its original agricultural use would reduce the adverse effect on the LCA. However, mitigation planting would provide limited integration at Year 1 and a barely perceptible loss of existing vegetation would remain within a small area. A barely perceptible and characteristic change to a very small proportion of the landscape.	Negligible	Slight Adverse	None	Negligible	Slight Adverse
			Post- Decommissioning Phase (Year 15)	Maturing mitigation planting would be sufficiently established to provide landscape integration and replace removed vegetation during the enabling works. A barely perceptible and characteristic change to a very small proportion of the landscape would remain.	Negligible	Negligible	None	Negligible	Negligible
F2. Bolton by Bowland to Waddington Landscape Character Area (F. Undulating	(V: High / S: Medium)	Tree and shrub planting to replace vegetation removed during the enabling phase. Areas used for construction works returned to agriculture.	Enabling Works Phase	Direct physical changes resulting from the removal of small areas of vegetation; temporary closure and diversion of local PRoW network; soil stripping and storage; and the establishment of compounds. Existing field boundaries would be slightly eroded, although the removal of tree and shrub vegetation would be limited to a short section along West Bradford Road and small areas of the agricultural fields to the north of the River Ribble. Construction traffic and plant and machinery would reduce tranquillity and increase the perception of movement and disturbance. Activities would contrast with the pastoral and generally undeveloped setting of the rural valley area, directly affecting the rural qualities of the LCA. A noticeable and uncharacteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape.	Minor	Moderate Adverse	None	Minor	Moderate Adverse
Lowland Farmland with Wooded Brooks LCT) Approx. Dist.: 0 m from Proposed		Reinstatement of existing landform altered during the enabling phase. Reinstatement of grass sward.	Construction Phase	Direct physical changes resulting from the loss of small areas of vegetation; topsoil stripping and storage; and construction of the haul road. This would be followed by the removal of compounds and the partial reinstatement of areas disturbed during construction activities. Additional construction activity would further increase the perception of movement and disturbance and further reduce tranquillity. Activities would continue to contrast with the pastoral and generally undeveloped setting of the rural valley area, directly affecting the of rural qualities of the LCA. A substantial and uncharacteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape.	Moderate	Major Adverse	None	Moderate	Major Adverse



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Ribble Crossing		Reinstatement of hedgerows and fences. Seeding of temporary topsoil storage mounds and earthworks.	Operation Phase	Direct physical changes from the presence of the haul road and seeded soil storage mounds and earthworks. Construction traffic along the haul road would continue to affect tranquillity; however, these would be reduced when compared the construction phase. Partial reinstatement during construction would help to integrate the proposed Ribble Crossing into the landscape and restore the rural area to predominantly agricultural use, which would offset some adverse effects on the LCA. A noticeable and uncharacteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape.	Minor	Moderate Adverse	None	Minor	Moderate Adverse
			Decommissioning Phase	Direct physical changes resulting from the establishment of decommissioning compounds and the removal of the haul road. This would be followed by the removal of compounds; reinstatement to original land profiles; reinstatement of boundary features and agricultural land; seeding and mitigation planting; and the reinstatement of the PRoW network. Construction traffic and plant and machinery would continue to affect tranquillity. Activities would continue to contrast with the pastoral and generally undeveloped setting of the rural area, directly affecting the of rural qualities of the LCA. A noticeable and uncharacteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape would remain.	Minor	Moderate Adverse	None	Minor	Moderate Adverse
			Post- Decommissioning Phase (Year 1)	Reinstatement of the rural area to its original agricultural use would reduce the adverse effect on the LCA. However, mitigation planting would provide limited integration at Year 1 and a barely perceptible loss of existing vegetation would remain within a small area. A barely perceptible and characteristic change to a very small proportion of the landscape.	Negligible	Slight Adverse	None	Negligible	Slight Adverse
			Post- Decommissioning Phase (Year 15)	Maturing mitigation planting would be sufficiently established to provide landscape integration and replace removed vegetation during the enabling works. A barely perceptible and characteristic change to a very small proportion of the landscape would remain.	Negligible	Negligible	None	Negligible	Negligible
H1. Clitheroe to Chatburn Landscape Character Area	High (V: High / S: Medium)	/: High / S:	Enabling Works Phase	Barely perceptible disturbance from the perception of introduced enabling works activities within the adjacent LCA to the north. Activity and views towards uncharacteristic features would indirectly affect the settled rural qualities of the LCA, although the effects would be limited to very small areas at the settlement edge of Clitheroe or from elevated long-distance views (e.g. Clitheroe Castle). A barely perceptible and uncharacteristic change to a very small proportion of the landscape.	Negligible	Slight Adverse	None	Negligible	Slight Adverse
(H. Undulating Lowland Farmland with			Construction Phase	Barely perceptible from the perception of construction activities. Activity and views towards uncharacteristic features would continue to indirectly affect the settled rural qualities of the LCA. A barely perceptible and uncharacteristic change to a very small proportion of the landscape would remain.	Negligible	Slight Adverse	None	Negligible	Slight Adverse
Settlement and Industry LCT)			Operation Phase	Barely perceptible disturbance from the perception of moving traffic along the Proposed Ribble Crossing during operation. Partial reinstatement during construction would help to integrate the proposed Ribble Crossing into the landscape. A barely perceptible and uncharacteristic change to a very small proportion of the landscape would remain.	Negligible	Slight Adverse	None	Negligible	Slight Adverse
Approx. Dist.: 40 m from Proposed Ribble		Reinstatement of grass sward.	Decommissioning Phase	Barely perceptible disturbance from the perception of introduced decommissioning activities. Activity and views towards uncharacteristic features would indirectly affect the of settled rural qualities of the LCA. A barely perceptible and uncharacteristic change to a very small proportion of the landscape would remain.	Negligible	Slight Adverse	None	Negligible	Slight Adverse
Crossing		Reinstatement of hedgerows and fences.	Post- Decommissioning Phase (Year 1)	Barely perceptible change from vegetation loss. Reinstatement would help restore the rural area to the north to its original agricultural use; however, mitigation planting would	Negligible	Slight Adverse	None	Negligible	Slight Adverse



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		Seeding of temporary topsoil storage mounds and earthworks.		provide limited integration at Year 1. A barely perceptible and uncharacteristic change to a very small proportion of the landscape would remain.					
			Post- Decommissioning Phase (Year 15)	Maturing mitigation planting would be sufficiently established to provide landscape integration and replace removed vegetation. A barely perceptible and characteristic change to a very small proportion of the landscape would remain.	Negligible	Negligible	None	Negligible	Negligible
J2. Ribble Landscape Character Area (J. Valley Floodplain LCT)	High (V: High / S: High)	Tree and shrub planting to replace vegetation removed during the enabling phase. Areas used for construction works returned to agriculture.	Enabling Works Phase	Direct physical changes resulting from the removal of small areas of vegetation; temporary closure and diversion of local PRoW network; soil stripping and storage; establishment of compounds and temporary access roads; and construction of the bridge platform either side of the River Ribble. Existing field boundaries would be slightly eroded, although the removal of tree and shrub vegetation would be limited to short sections alongside the River Ribble and West Bradford Road. Construction traffic and plant and machinery would reduce tranquillity and increase the perception of movement and disturbance. Activities would contrast with the pastoral and generally undeveloped setting of the rural valley area, directly affecting the rural qualities of the LCA. A noticeable and uncharacteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape.	Minor	Moderate Adverse	None	Minor	Moderate Adverse
Approx. Dist.: 0 m from Proposed Ribble Crossing		Reinstatement of existing landform altered during the enabling phase. Reinstatement of grass sward.	Construction Phase	Direct physical changes resulting from the loss of small areas of vegetation; topsoil stripping and storage; and the construction of the haul road and River Ribble bridge, including columns and bridge sections. This would be followed by the removal of compounds and the partial reinstatement of areas disturbed during construction activities. Additional construction activity would further increase the perception of movement and disturbance and further reduce tranquillity. Activities would continue to contrast with the pastoral and generally undeveloped setting of the rural valley area, directly affecting the of rural qualities of the LCA. A substantial and uncharacteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape.	Moderate	Major Adverse	None	Moderate	Major Adverse
		Reinstatement of stone walls and fences. Seeding of temporary topsoil storage mounds and earthworks.	Operation Phase	Direct physical changes from the presence of the haul road and River Ribble bridge and seeded soil storage mounds and earthworks. Construction traffic along the haul road would continue to affect tranquillity; however, these would be reduced when compared the construction phase. Partial reinstatement during construction would help to integrate the proposed Ribble Crossing into the landscape and restore the rural area to predominantly agricultural use, which would offset some adverse effects on the LCA. A noticeable and uncharacteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape.	Minor	Moderate Adverse	None	Minor	Moderate Adverse
			Decommissioning Phase	Direct physical changes resulting from the establishment of decommissioning compounds and the removal of the haul road and the River Ribble bridge. This would be followed by the removal of compounds; reinstatement to original land profiles; reinstatement of boundary features and agricultural land; seeding and mitigation planting; and the reinstatement of the PRoW network. Construction traffic and plant and machinery would continue to affect tranquillity. Activities would continue to contrast with the pastoral and generally undeveloped setting of the rural area, directly affecting the of rural qualities of the LCA. A noticeable and uncharacteristic change to a small proportion of the landscape would remain.	Minor	Moderate Adverse	None	Minor	Moderate Adverse
			Post- Decommissioning Phase (Year 1)	Reinstatement of the rural area to its original agricultural use would reduce the adverse effect on the LCA. However, mitigation planting would provide limited integration at Year 1 and a barely perceptible loss of existing vegetation would remain within a small area. A barely perceptible and characteristic change to a very small proportion of the landscape.	Negligible	Slight Adverse	None	Negligible	Slight Adverse



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			Post- Decommissioning Phase (Year 15)	Maturing mitigation planting would be sufficiently established to provide landscape integration and replace removed vegetation during the enabling works. A barely perceptible and characteristic change to a very small proportion of the landscape would remain.	Negligible	Negligible	None	Negligible	Negligible

