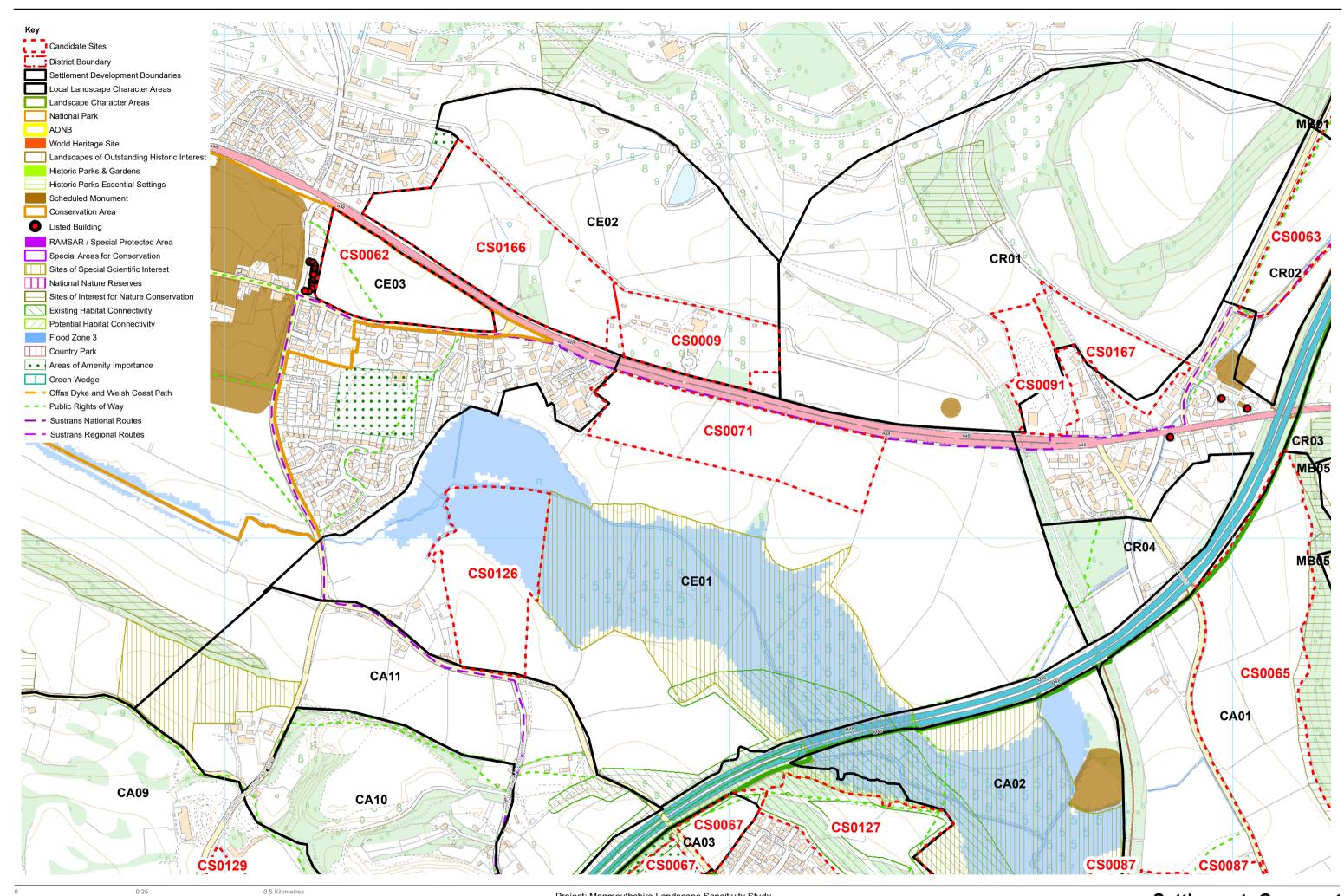
# **Caerwent candidate sites**

Site reference	Sensitivity
CS0009	High/medium
CS0062	High
CS0071	High/medium
CS0126	High
CS0166	Medium/low

The candidate sites within this section are within the relevant settlement LLCAs. Other candidate sites in the area/vicinity not included in this section are included within adjacent settlement assessments.

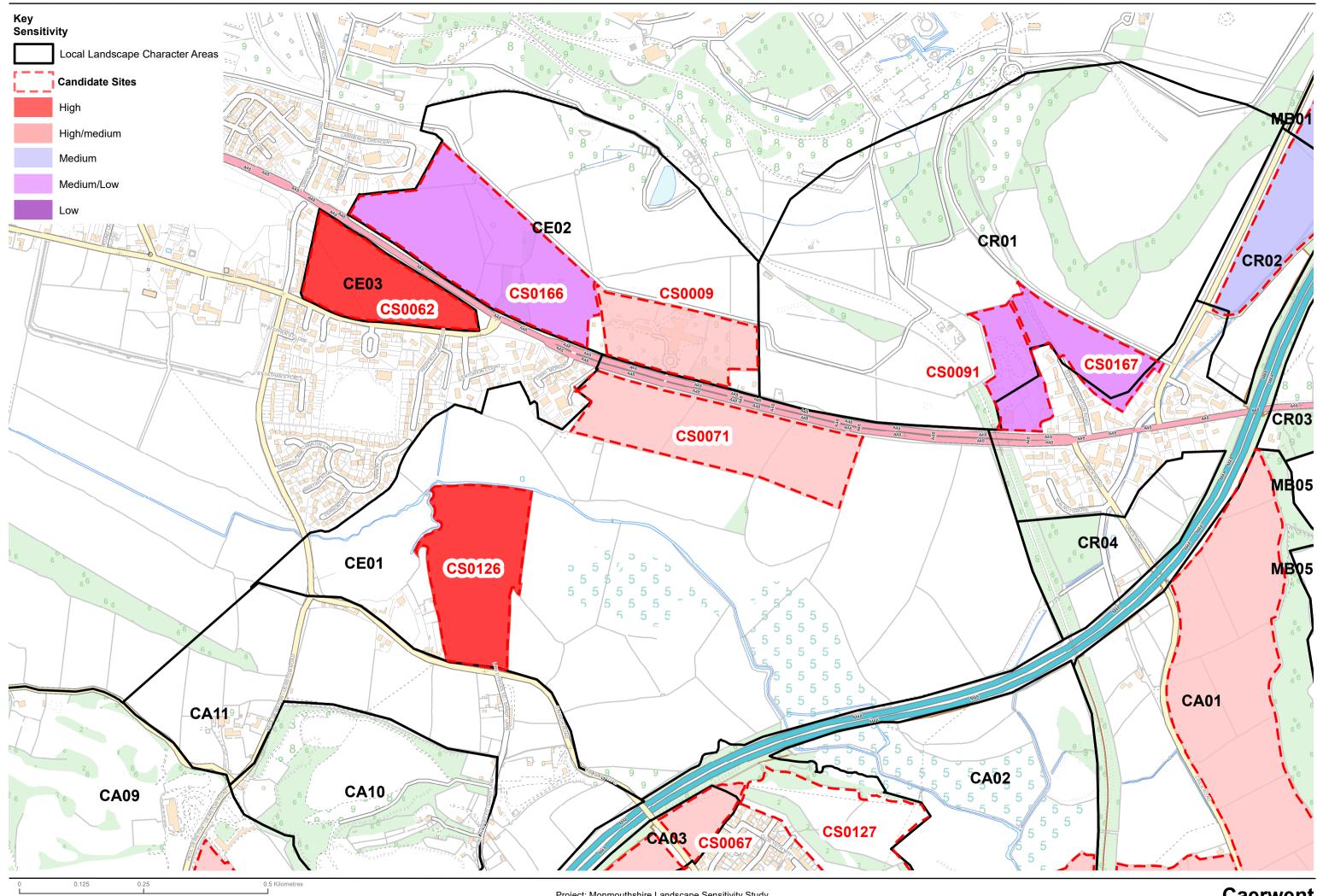


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# Settlement: Caerwent Site Constraints



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# Caerwent Landscape Sensitivity of Candidate Sites

#### Settlement Caerwent

# SUMMARY

#### **Key characteristics**

Very gentle lower slopes beneath rising hill in Caerwent defence base to the north.

Derelict buildings associated with the former armaments depot, with rough grass and regenerating scrub on edges and outgrown hedges and trees to the southern A48 road frontage.

The site's tranquillity is affected by it proximity to the A48 and infrastructure of the site and military base.

#### Landscape sensitivity high/medium

The susceptibility of the site lies in its trees and hedges on its frontage, its role separating the identities of Crick and Caerwent and visibility from the A48. The LANDMAP value is high for visual and sensory, cultural landscape and geological landscape. Development would be inappropriate as it would extend Caerwent to the east compromising its identity and character and significantly eroding the gap between this settlement and Crick.

#### Does the site or its attributes contribute to the Wellbeing and Future Generations Act Goals?

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#### LLCA CONTEXT

LLCA number	CE02
LLCA sensitivity	Medium
Relationship of site with LLCA	Within southern edge of CE02 Caerwent defence base

LANDMAP CO	ONTEXT		
Geological la	andscapes		
Number	MNMTHGL084		
Value	High		
Landscape h	abitats		
Number	MNMTHLH052		
Value	Moderate		
Visual and s	ensory		
Number	MNMTHVS044		
Value	High		
Historical la	ndscapes		
Number	MNMTHHL013		
Value	Moderate		
Cultural land	dscapes		
Number	MNMTHCL007		
Value	High		
Landscape C	haracter Area		
Number	CE02	also includes	

DESIGNATIO	NS				
National Park	ζ.	AONB			
Landscape de	esignations com	ments			
-					
Landscape of	Hist. interest	н	istoric Parks a	nd Gardens	
Hist.Parks and	d Gardens essen	tial setting			
SAM	Conservation	Area	Listed Build	ling	World Heritage Site
Historic / arcl designations		-			
SAC	NNR	SINC	SSSI	RAMSAR	
Biodiversity d comments	lesignations	-			
Other					
Country Park		National Trail		Nationa	I / Regional Cycle Route

# SUMMARY

# **Key characteristics**

Gently undulating triangular meadow/pasture with trimmed hedges and avenue trees along A48 to the north. Fronted by established housing with gardens beyond hedging to the south and west.

Forms the setting for the main approach to the historic settlement from the east.

Listed almshouses overlook the area from the west and the whole field is within the Conservation Area. PROW crosses the area to the west.

The A48 reduces the tranquillity of the field to an extent but is quite well screened.

#### Landscape sensitivity high

The susceptibility of the site is that it forms the important setting to the eastern approach to the historic town of Caerwent, contributing to the settlement character, and is overlooked by historic almshouses. Its value lies in its location within the Conservation Area and adjacent to the listed almshouses. LANDMAP value is outstanding for historic landscape and high for visual and sensory, cultural landscape and geological landscape.

### Does the site or its attributes contribute to the Wellbeing and Future Generations Act Goals?

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# LLCA CONTEXT

LLCA number CE03

LLCA sensitivity High

**Relationship of** Not in an LLCA due to distinctive character related to Caerwent. site with LLCA

LANDMAP CON	TEXT		
Geological land	Iscapes		
Number	MNMTHGL084		
Value	High		
Landscape hab	itats		
Number	MNMTHLH052		
Value	Moderate		
Visual and sens	sory		
Number	MNMTHVS086		
Value	High		
Historical lands	scapes		
Number	MNMTHHL012		
Value	Outstanding		
Cultural landsc	apes		
Number	MNMTHCL007		
Value	High		
Landscape Character Area			

Number	CE03	also	includes		
DESIGNATIO	NS				
National Park		AONB			
Landscape de	signations com	ments			
-					
Landscape of	Hist. interest	н	listoric Parks a	nd Gardens	
Hist.Parks and	d Gardens essen	tial setting			
SAM	Conservation	Area Yes	Listed Build	ling	World Heritage Site
Historic / archaeologyCaerwent Conservation Areadesignations comments					
SAC	NNR	SINC	SSSI	RAMSAR	
Biodiversity d comments	lesignations	-			
Other					
Country Park		National Trail		Nationa	l / Regional Cycle Route

#### Settlement Caerwent

# SUMMARY

### **Key characteristics**

Three fields on the gentle undulating valley sides of a distinctive valley.

Regular arable fields with low cut hedges and a few trees on the A48 boundary to the north.

Overall, the valley is very open with clear views across and along the valley.

The area is overlooked by the A48 and the M48 which reduce tranquillity but retains a distinctive rural character. Well defined settlement edge with farm buildings to Caerwent, reinforcing the rural character.

Site forms part of a well-defined open rural gap between the historic settlement of Caerwent and Crick and the M48 and Caldicot beyond.

#### Landscape sensitivity high/medium

The susceptibility of the area lies in the low lying wetland grassland and standing water in the floodplain, its related conservation value and habitat connectivity to the south, its distinctive open rural character visible across and along the valley, its role as a well-defined open rural green gap between the historic settlement of Caerwent and Crick, maintaining their identities, and as a gap with the M48 and Caldicot beyond. Its value lies in the Nedern Brook SSSI. LANDMAP value is high for historic landscape, cultural landscape and geological landscape.

### Does the site or its attributes contribute to the Wellbeing and Future Generations Act Goals?

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# LLCA CONTEXT

LLCA number	CE01
LLCA sensitivity	High/medium
Relationship of site with LLCA	On the northern edge of CA12 by the A48.

### LANDMAP CONTEXT

Geological lar	ndscapes	
Number	MNMTHGL084	
Value	High	
Landscape ha	bitats	
Number	MNMTHLH105	MNMTHLH052
Value	Moderate	Moderate
Visual and se	nsory	
Number	MNMTHVS098	MNMTHVS086
Value	Moderate	High
Historical lan	dscapes	
Number	MNMTHHL011	
Value	High	
Cultural lands	scapes	
Number	MNMTHCL007	
Value	High	

Landscape	Landscape Character Area					
Number	CE01		also includes			
DESIGNATIC	ONS					
National Parl	k	AONB				
Landscape de	esignations com	ments				
-						
Landscape of	Hist. interest		Historic Parks a	nd Gardens		
Hist.Parks an	d Gardens esse	ntial setting	5			
SAM	Conservation	Area	Listed Build	ling	World Heritage Site	
Historic / arc designations		-				
SAC	NNR	SINC	SSSI	RAMSAR		
Biodiversity of comments	designations	-				
Other						
Country Park		National	Trail	Nationa	al / Regional Cycle Route	

#### Settlement Caerwent

# SUMMARY

# Key characteristics

Site lying in open countryside away from the settlement of Caerwent.

Part of wider distinctive flat valley floor and floodplain bounding Nedern Brook to the north and gentle lower valley sides to the south.

Semi-regular arable field on valley slopes and valley floor, with low cut hedges.

Limited riparian trees with a few trees on field boundaries including willow.

Nedern Brook SSSI directly adjacent.

Overall, the site is very open within an open valley with clear views across and along the valley.

The site is overlooked by Caerwent and the M48 at a distance which reduce tranquillity but the site and surrounds retain a distinctive rural character.

Settlement around the site is rural and scattered including rural houses with very long gardens and farmsteads.

#### Landscape sensitivity high

The susceptibility of the area lies in the in the watercourse and floodplain and related conservation value, the location away from the settlement edge in open countryside with its open rural character visible across and along the valley, its role as part of a well-defined open rural gap between the historic settlement of Caerwent and Crick and the M48 and Caldicot beyond. Its value lies in the Nedern Brook SSSI directly adjacent. LANDMAP value is high for historic landscape, visual and sensory and cultural landscape.

### Does the site or its attributes contribute to the Wellbeing and Future Generations Act Goals?

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### LLCA CONTEXT

LLCA number	CE01
LLCA sensitivity	High/medium
Relationship of site with LLCA	Lies on the southern edge of CA12 running down the valley slopes to include the floodplain and bounded by the Nedern Brook.

LANDMAP CONTEXT					
Geological landscapes					
Number	MNMTHGL086 MNMTHGL081				
Value	Moderate	Moderate			
Landscape habitats					
Number	MNMTHLH105				
Value	Moderate				
Visual and sensory					
Number	MNMTHVS098				
Value	High				
Historical landscapes					
Number	MNMTHHL011				
Value	High				
Cultural landscapes					

Number Value	MNMTHCL High	.007					
	Landscape Character Area						
Number	CE01		ncludes				
DESIGNATION	S						
National Park		AONB					
Landscape desi	ignations com	ments					
-							
Landscape of Hist. interest Historic Parks and Gardens							
Hist.Parks and Gardens essential setting							
SAM	Conservation	Area	Listed Buildi	ng	World Heritage Site		
Historic / archa designations co		-					
SAC N	INR	SINC	SSSI	RAMSAR			
Biodiversity de comments	<b>Biodiversity designations</b> Nedern Brook SSSI covers the valley floor directly adjacent to the site comments						
Other							
Country Park		National Trail		National	/ Regional Cycle Route		

Site	CS0166	Settlement	Caerwent			
SUMMARY						
Key c	Key characteristics					
Very gentle lower slopes beneath rising land in Caerwent defence base to the north. Triangular arable field, woodland and horse pasture with trees and outgrown hedge to the southern A48 road frontage and fence boundary to the north. The area's tranquillity is affected by it proximity to the A48 and adjacent housing. Caerwent Conservation Area to the south beyond A48 avenue.						

#### Landscape sensitivity medium/low

The susceptibility of the site lies in its trees and hedges and its exposure to views from the A48 to the south. The LANDMAP value is outstanding for historic landscape and high for visual and sensory, cultural landscape and geological landscape. If development is carried out on the site, the strong tree and native shrub block should be retained an enhanced as well hedges along the A48 supplemented with trees to minimise any impact on the Conservation Area.

#### Does the site or its attributes contribute to the Wellbeing and Future Generations Act Goals?

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# LLCA CONTEXT

LLCA number	CE02
LLCA sensitivity	Medium
Relationship of site with LLCA	Within southern edge of CR01 Caerwent defence base

#### LANDMAP CONTEXT Geological landscapes MNMTHGL084 Number Value High Landscape habitats Number MNMTHLH052 Value Moderate Visual and sensory Number MNMTHVS044 Value High Historical landscapes Number MNMTHHL012 MNMTHHL013 Value Outstanding Moderate **Cultural landscapes** MNMTHCL007 Number Value High Landscape Character Area

Number	CE02	also includes					
DESIGNATIC	DESIGNATIONS						
National Park		AONB					
Landscape de	Landscape designations comments						
-							
Landscape of	Landscape of Hist. interest Historic Parks and Gardens						
Hist.Parks and Gardens essential setting							
SAM	Conservation	Area	Listed Build	ding	World Heritage Site		
Historic / arc designations		Caerwent Conservation Area to the south		a to the south			
SAC	NNR	SINC	SSSI	RAMSAR			
Biodiversity designations - comments							
Other							
Country Park		National Trail National		Nationa	I / Regional Cycle Route		