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Viewpoint	Distance (km)	Direction	Sensitivity of visual receptors	Description of exiting view	Magnitude	Significance
	From site boundary					
1 Mainshill within the River Ayr SLA	3.7	N	High: Residents Medium: Road users.	View south and south-west over undulating farmland broken up with hedgerows and tree belts to broad ridge west of Ochiltree. Existing site is screened from view by intervening topography and tree cover. Existing floodlights at the coal processing area are barely perceptible above the distant skyline.	Low The tops of the buildings and stack would be seen above the intervening landform and vegetation and would just break the skyline, but the distance would mean they would not be prominent.	Slight to moderate adverse (not significant)
2 A70 Moat Toll Crossroads.	0.8	E	High: Residents Medium: Road users.	View west along main A70 public road. Existing site is in part screened from view by foreground development, however the existing asphalt plant, silo and railhead are evident above the skyline.	Medium to low The buildings and stack would be visible above the intervening built development. They would be seen in the context of the existing asphalt plant on the site.	Moderate adverse (not significant)
3 Corepath to west side of Ochiltree at entrance to Watston Farm.	1.5	ENE	High: Core Path Medium: Road users.	View west along public road and core path. Existing site is in part screened from view by intervening vegetation, topography and buildings, however the existing asphalt plant, is perceptible at the "end of the road".	Low The buildings and stack would be visible above intervening topography, buildings and vegetation.	Slight to moderate adverse (not significant)



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4 Auchinleck at A76/B70883 Roundabout.	6.5	ENE	High: Residents Medium: Road users.	View west-southwest over roundabout on the A76 at the western entrance to Auchinleck. Existing site is entirely screened from view by intervening vegetation and topography. Stack and plume from Eggar Barony plant are prominent features on the skyline.	Low to negligible. The buildings and stack would be visible on the skyline, above intervening vegetation, along with the Stack and plume from Eggar Barony plant and the Barony A Frame. Views would be distant.	Slight adverse (not significant)
5 A70 at Coachford Bridge Layby.	4	E	Medium: Road users.	View west along A70 towards Ochiltree. Existing site is entirely screened from view by intervening topography.	Negligible No change to existing view with the buildings and stack screened from view by the intervening topography and tree cover.	Imperceptible
6 B7046 on the east edge of Skares.	5.7	SE	High: Residents Medium: Road users.	View north-west from high ground. Existing site is entirely screened from view by intervening vegetation.	Negligible No change to existing view with the buildings and stack screened from view by the intervening tree cover.	Imperceptible
7 Lessnessock Westmost Cottage).	0.8	SE	High: Residents	View north-west over open pasture to the existing Killoch site. Existing site is in part set against an existing backdrop of trees, however the existing asphalt plant, silo and railhead are evident above the skyline.	Medium to high The buildings and stack would be prominent in this view, they would be seen in the context of the existing buildings on site.	Substantial adverse (significant)



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8 B7046 at the east end of Sinclairston.	3.4	SSW	High: Residents Medium: Road users.	View north-east over gently undulating pasture broke up by field boundary hedgerows. Existing buildings within the site are noticeable on and below the distant skyline. The pale colour of these along with that of several farm buildings stands out against the surrounding green. The plume from the Egger Barony plant is prominent in the distance to the right of the view.	Low Lower level elements of the proposed development in part screened from view by foreground vegetation and set against existing tree belts. The stack and buildings would be visible in part above the skyline, but over some distance.	Slight to moderate adverse (not significant)
9 A70 to the east of East Taregin.	0.9	WSW	High: Residents Medium: Road users.	View east along main A70 public road. Existing site is in part screened from view by the existing intervening tree screen. However, the asphalt plant, silo and railhead are evident due to their contrasting colour against mature shelterbelt backdrop.	Low. Much of the proposed development would be screened from view by intervening trees and screen bunding. The top half of the buildings and stack would be visible above the intervening trees.	Slight to moderate adverse (not significant)



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10 Drongan at junction of B730 / Barbieston Avenue.	3.4	SW	High: Residents Medium: Road users.	View north-east over gently undulating pasture broke up by field boundary hedgerows. The contrasting pale colour of the Kiloch Railhead stands out on the skyline as one of a number of built features on the long ridge. Buildings within the site are just perceptible on and below the distant skyline.	Low Lower level elements of the proposed development in part screened from view by foreground vegetation and set against existing tree belts. The stack and buildings would be visible in part above the skyline, but at some distance.	Slight to moderate adverse (not significant)
11 The Beeches at Coylton / Joppa.	6.7	W	High: Residents	View east over undulating farmland broken up with hedgerows, woodland and tree belts. Existing site is screened from view by intervening topography and tree cover. Killoch Colliery Bing (in part restored) is a prominent landform feature on the skyline.	Low to negligible View in the main unchanged, the tops of the stack and buildings would just be visible, breaking the skyline. The view would be distant.	Slight adverse (not significant)
12 Public Road opposite Heather Dene at entrance to Gemmell's Garden Centre.	2.3	NE	High: Residents Medium: Road users	View south-east over rising farmland broken up with hedgerows, woodland and tree belts. Existing site is screened from view by intervening topography. Killoch Colliery Bing is a prominent feature on the skyline.	Negligible View in the main unchanged. The very top of the proposed stack would be barely perceptible as it just breaks the skyline between the trees on the slope at the left hand side of the bing landform.	Slight adverse to imperceptible (not significant)



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13 Povost Mount (within property curtilage)	0.3	S	High: Residents	Filtered view north through the vegetation on the garden boundary towards the site.	Medium to low The view of both the existing site and the proposed development would be filtered through foreground trees and substantially screened when vegetation is in leaf, but in winter there would be filtered, close views of the development.	Moderate adverse (not significant)



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Potential visibility from the settlements within 10km of the site and within the ZTV					
Settlement	Distance (km)	Direction	Sensitivity of visual receptors	Magnitude	Significance
	From site boundary				
Mauchline	6.2	N	High	Low to negligible Though the town is within the ZTVs, in reality there would be few views of the proposed development due to intervening tree cover. Distance would further reduce the magnitude of any available views.	Imperceptible to slight adverse (not significant)
Catrine	6.5	NE	High	Negligible Only the very south-eastern edge of the town is within the very edge of the ZTVs, however in there would be no views of the proposed development due to intervening tree cover.	Imperceptible (not significant)
Ochiltree	1.7	ENE	High	Low Only the very western end of Ochiltree is within the ZTV and there would be views from properties on the western edge of the settlement only. The stack and buildings would be visible in part above the skyline with low level elements of the proposed development screened from view by intervening topography and vegetation. Viewpoint 3	Slight to moderate adverse (not significant)
Auchinleck	6.3	ENE	High	Negligible The central and southern part of Auchinleck are not in the ZTV and only the dwellings at the very western end of the town adjacent to the A76 roundabout have any open views to the south-west. From here, the plume of the Egger Barony plant is the dominant feature (when active) and much of the proposed development would be screened from view by intervening topography, with the top of the stack barely perceptible beyond the Barony A-frame. Viewpoint 4	Imperceptible to slight adverse (not significant)



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Cumnock	7.8	E	High	Negligible The higher elevated parts of the town to the north and east are within the ZTV, however, there would be few available views due to intervening built development and woodland screening. Where open views are possible, the distance from the stack would reduce visibility.	Imperceptible (not significant)
Skares	5.5	SE	High	Negligible. Though Skares is entirely within the ZTV, intervening woodland cover would ensure that the proposed development would be screened from view. Viewpoint 6	Imperceptible (not significant)
Drongan	3.4	SW	High	Low Land to the east of the centre and within the north-west of Drongan is within the ZTV and there would be some views towards the development from the open edges of these areas. From here, the lower level elements of the proposed development would in part be screened from view by foreground vegetation and set against existing tree belts. The stack and buildings would be visible in part above the skyline. Viewpoint 10	Slight to moderate adverse (not significant)
Hillhead	5.3	W	High	Negligible Much of the settlement is within the ZTV, however mature woodland belts to the east would screen all views of the proposed development.	Imperceptible (not significant)
Coylton	6.2	W	High	Low to negligible Much of the town is within the ZTV. In reality there are only views to the east from dwellings on the eastern edge of the town and from here existing intervening woodland cover would screen all proposed development with the exception of the top of the stack. Viewpoint 11	Slight adverse (not significant)



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Settlement	Distance (km)	Direction	Sensitivity of visual receptors	Magnitude	Significance
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Annbank	7.3	WNW	High	Negligible The settlement is almost entirely within the ZTV, however, existing mature woodland along the River Ayr corridor would screen the proposed development from view.	Imperceptible (not significant)
Mossblown	8.0	NW	High	Negligible Approximately 50% of the settlement is within the ZTV however distance and visual screening by intervening tree cover would ensure that there would be no views of the proposed development.	Imperceptible (not significant)
Tarbolton	7.8	NW	High	Negligible The southern half of the settlement is within the ZTV however where open views from the edge of the settlement are possible, the distance will mean that there proposed stack would be barely perceptible.	Imperceptible (not significant)
Distances are measured from the closest point of the settlement to the proposed site boundary					



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Property	Distance (m)	Direction	Orientation of property	Sensitivity of visual receptors	Magnitude	Significance
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Creoch	560	N	E-W	High	Medium No views of existing Killoch site due to adjacent tree cover to the south of the house, the intervening rising landform and the belt of trees to the north of the site. The tops of the proposed buildings and stack would be visible above the tree belt and landform, mainly from the access to the property and in gaps though the tree cover to the south of the house. The remainder of the development would be screened from view by existing topography and overlying vegetation.	Moderate to substantial adverse (significant)
Ardmhor	655	N	SW-NE, SE-NW	High	Medium Impacts would be similar to those described above for Creoch. Ardmhor is at a slightly lower elevation to Creoch but has an elevation facing the site.	Moderate to substantial adverse (significant)
Unnamed property NE of Creoch	670	N	E-W	High	Medium Impacts would be similar to those described above for Creoch and Ardmhor. This property is at a lower elevation again, but there is no vegetation surrounding the property breaking up views.	Moderate to substantial adverse (significant)
Gargowan	1850	N	SE-NW, SW	High	Low to negligible No views of existing Killoch site due to existing intervening topography. Property is outside the building height ZTV. Proposed stack would just break the skyline when viewed from the access track.	Slight adverse (not significant)



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Plotcock/ Gowanpark House	1775	N	S-N, W	High	Low No views of existing Killoch site due to existing intervening topography. Proposed stack and buildings would break the distant skyline.	Slight to moderate adverse (not significant)
Corselet	1135	N	SE-NW	High	Medium There are no views of the existing Killoch site due to existing intervening mature tree belts. Corselet is within the building height ZTV and the proposed buildings and stack would be visible on the skyline above the tree belts.	Moderate to substantial adverse (significant)
Pennymore	1485	NNE	NE	High	Low to negligible No views of existing site due to farm buildings and intervening roadside trees. Proposed development would remain screened by these features from the property itself but there would be more open views from the access track.	Slight adverse (not significant)
Corselet Bungalow	1180	NE	NE	High	Low There are no views of the existing Killoch site due to existing intervening mature tree belts. The bungalow is within the building height ZTV and the proposed buildings and stack would be visible on the skyline above the tree belts. Views would be limited by garden buildings and vegetation.	Slight to moderate adverse (not significant)
Cawhillan	1410	NE	SSW, WNW, NNE	High	Low to negligible The existing Killoch site is screened from view by intervening topography and tree belts. Cawhallan is on the edge of the building height ZTV, however only the proposed stack would just be visible on the distant skyline.	Slight adverse (not significant)



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Property	Distance (m)	Direction	Orientation of property	Sensitivity of visual receptors	Magnitude	Significance
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High Tarbeg	425	ENE	ENE	High	Medium to low Property is within building height ZTV. Oblique views of the existing Killoch site from the access track only. All other views are screened by farm buildings. The proposed development would in part be screened by existing buildings and the asphalt plant with the upper half of the stack being visible above the skyline in oblique views from the access track only. Similar to Viewpoint 2	Moderate adverse (not significant)
Torview	700	ENE	SSE	High	Low Property is within building height ZTV. No views of existing Killoch site due to intervening topography and buildings at High Tarbeg farm. The very top of the proposed buildings and stack will be visible from the access track above the skyline.	Slight to moderate adverse (not significant)
Watston	1450	ENE	SW-NE	High	Low There are very limited oblique views of the existing Killoch site due to intervening mature trees and farm buildings. The property is within the building height ZTV. The top of the proposed buildings and stack would be visible above the skyline. Viewpoint 3	Slight to moderate adverse (not significant)
Moat Toll	795	ENE	S	High	Low Bungalow facing south, it is within building height ZTV. Open, oblique views of existing Killoch site, the development would be visible beyond the existing buildings and vegetation on site. Viewpoint 2	Slight to moderate adverse (not significant)



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Hill House	795	ENE	W-E	High	Medium to low New 2-storey house facing the site, it is within building height ZTV. Ground floor views limited by roadside vegetation, views of existing Killoch site from upper windows, the development would be visible beyond the existing buildings and vegetation on site. Viewpoint 2	Moderate adverse (not significant)
Lagh Tarbeg	445	E	NW, SW, SE	High	Medium The property is within building height ZTV. There are open, oblique views of existing Killoch site, the development would be beyond the existing buildings and vegetation on site. Viewpoint 2	Moderate to substantial adverse (Significant)
Findlayston 2x properties	1850	E	SW, SE & NW-SE	High	Medium to low Properties are within building height ZTV. There are open but oblique views to the existing Killoch site. There would be open views of the proposed development on the skyline in part screened by buildings within the Killoch site and the existing (A70) roadside tree belt.	Moderate adverse (not significant)
Back o' Hill	2000	ESE	E-W	High	Medium to low There is an open view to the existing Killoch site. The property is within the building height ZTV and there would be open views of the proposed development on the skyline, though these would be in the context of the existing Killoch works.	Moderate adverse (not significant)

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Property	Distance (m)	Direction	Orientation of property	Sensitivity of visual receptors	Magnitude	Significance
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Holehouse	1345	ESE	NW	High	Medium to low There is an open view to the existing Killoch site. The property is within the building height ZTV and there would be open views of the proposed development on the skyline, though these would be in the context of the existing Killoch works.	Moderate adverse (not significant)
Glencorner	1600	SE	W-E, S	High	Low The property is within the building height ZTV, however views from the dwellings towards the site are limited by adjacent farm buildings. There would be oblique views of the proposed development from the access track.	Slight to moderate adverse (not significant)
Hilltop	1390	SE	SW-NE, NW-SE	High	Medium There is an open view to the existing Killoch site. The property is within the building height ZTV and there would be open views of the proposed development on the skyline.	Moderate to substantial adverse (Significant)
Rottenrow	1545	SSE	SSE-NNW	High	Medium to low The property is within the building height ZTV, however there would be oblique views from the access track only. View to the north is restricted by the non-residential wings of the building which would screen views of the proposed development from the dwelling.	Moderate adverse (not significant)
Westmost Cottage / Auchness Cottage Lessnessock (Group x2)	815	SSE	NW-SE	High	Medium to high These properties are within the building height ZTV and there is an open view to the north-west to the existing site. The proposed development would be visible in this context on the skyline. Viewpoint 7	Substantial adverse (Significant)



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Property	Distance (m)	Direction	Orientation of property	Sensitivity of visual receptors	Magnitude	Significance
	From site boundary					
Lessnessock	710	S	W	High	Negligible Properties are within the building height ZTV, however there are no views from Lessnessock due to adjacent vegetation and farm buildings.	Imperceptible (not significant)
Lessnessock Bungalows (Group x2)	710	S	N-S	High	Medium to high Properties are within the building height ZTV. Open views to the north from the bungalows are possible with the existing site on skyline. The proposed development would be visible in the context of the existing development. Viewpoint 7	Substantial adverse (Significant)
Woodhead of Lessnessock	765	S	NNW-SSE	High	Medium to low Property is within building height ZTV but a block of woodland and tall roadside hedgerow just to the north of the house would screen ground floor views, there would however be some views above these from upper windows.	Moderate adverse (not significant)
Provost Mount	330	S	NNW-SSE	High	Medium to low The view of both the existing site and the proposed development would be filtered through foreground trees and substantially screened when vegetation is in leaf, but in winter there would be filtered, close views of the development. Viewpoint 13	Moderate adverse (not significant)
Bardarroch Farm Cottage	1520	SSW	NW-SE, NE	High	Low The property is within building height ZTV. Foreground trees screen existing site and much of proposed development, however, there would be an oblique view of stack and west end of the buildings.	Slight to moderate adverse (not significant)



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Bardarroch Farm and Barnhill (Group x2)	1745	SSW	SE-NW, NE	High	Medium to low Properties are within building height ZTV. There would be an open view to the proposed development, with limited visual disruption due to intervening vegetation.	Moderate adverse (not significant)
Clydenoch / Clydenoch Cottage (Group x2)	1010	SW	NNW-SSE	High	Medium to low. These properties are within building height ZTV. There would be an oblique view of the proposed development with some screening from intervening trees.	Moderate adverse (not significant)
Macquittiston	1890	WSW	NNE	High	Medium to low The property is within building height ZTV and there would be an oblique view of the proposed development with limited screening by intervening plantation woodland, hedgerows & hedgerow trees, but over some distance.	Moderate adverse (not significant)
Timancha (Alwyn Cottage)	1655	W	N-S, E-W	High	Low to negligible The property is within building height ZTV. There would be some screening by intervening boundary vegetation, and the view would be dominated by the foreground electricity pylon and substation.	Slight adverse (not significant)
East Tarelgin / The Bungalow (Group x2)	1090	W	S & S-N	High	Low Properties are within building height ZTV however main views are to the south, views from the bungalow would be screened by intervening buildings, there would be limited views from the eastern side of the farmhouse. Viewpoint 9	Slight to moderate adverse (not significant)



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The Cottage	1325	W	S, W, E	High	Low to negligible Property is within building height ZTV. Some screening by intervening East Tarelgin Farm however the top of the stack would be visible above the skyline.	Slight adverse (not significant)
Killochside	300	W	SE-NW	High	Medium Property is within building height ZTV. There would be an oblique close view from the access track & rear garden with some screening from intervening vegetation.	Moderate to substantial adverse (Significant)
West Tarelgin	1610	W	S	High	Low Property is within building height ZTV. Oblique view from access track of the top of the buildings and stack with some screening from intervening trees and hedgerows.	Slight to moderate adverse (not significant)
Spierston	1660	NW	SSE-NNW	High	Negligible The property is not within the building height ZTV. The top of the proposed stack would just be visible above the skyline and would be seen in the context of existing intervening railhead / coal handling area.	Imperceptible to slight adverse (not significant)
Hunterston / Hunterston Bridge (Group)	1865	NW	Varies	High	Low to negligible There would be some screening from nearby hedgerows and trees and landform however the top of the stack and possibly the top of the buildings would be perceptible above the skyline. Viewpoint 12	Slight adverse (not significant)



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Braehead	1615	NW	SW-NE	High	Low to negligible The property is just within the building height ZTV, however the proposed development would be visible in part due to disruption to views from intervening trees & farm buildings.	Slight adverse (not significant)
Trabbochburn / Trabbochburn Bridge / Grannoch (Group x3)	1890	NW	SE-NW	High	Negligible Properties are outside the building height ZTV. The existing Killoch site is screened from view by adjacent farm buildings and woodland plantation and these would screen views of the proposed development.	Imperceptible (not significant)
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Roads, paths etc	Potential visibility of the Development	Sensitivity of visual receptors	Magnitude	Significance
Motorways and A-roads within 10km of the site at the closest point and the ZTV				
A70	The A70 passes along the southern edge of the site and is within the building ZTV within 2km of the site and in and out of the ZTV between 2km and 10km. The proposed development would be visible in part from within 2km of the site but would be seen in the context of the existing Killoch development and filtered from view at close quarters by the existing roadside tree screen. Viewpoints 2 & 9	Medium (road users)	Medium Due to close views, existing industrial context and roadside tree filter, reducing with distance	Moderate adverse (not significant), reducing with distance
A76	The A76 is within the building ZTV for most of the section between Mauchline to Cumnock and approximately 5.8km away from the site boundary to the north-east at its closest point. There would be some distant and oblique views of the top of the stack in general back clothed by distant rising topography. Viewpoint 4	Medium (road users)	Negligible-low Due to distant oblique backclothed views	Imperceptible to slight adverse (not significant)
B-roads within 10km of the site at the closest point and the ZTV				
B705	The B705 links Mauchline, Catrine and Auchinleck and is approximately 7km to the north-east of the site boundary at its closest point. It is within the building ZTV as it passes over high ground to the south of Mauchline and the north of Auchinleck, however potential views of the development would be limited by intervening vegetation cover.	Medium (road users)	Negligible Due to intervening vegetation screen.	Imperceptible (not significant)



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B730	The B370 can be spilt into two sections north and south of the A70. To the north (and at its closest point to the site approximately 3km to the west) the majority of it outside the ZTV within 5km and then in and out of the ZTV between 5km and 10km. To the south of the A70 the road is in and out of the ZTV, particularly over relatively high ground close to Drongan and also from Rankinston southwards. There would be some oblique views of the development in part above the intermediate skyline for northbound traffic within 5km and south of the A70. Beyond 5km, distance would ensure that the stack is barely perceptible. Viewpoint 10	Medium (road users)	Low (south of A70 and within 5km only) due to partial oblique but skyline views. Otherwise negligible.	Slight adverse (south of A70 and within 5km only), otherwise imperceptible adverse. (Not significant)
B742	The B742 runs approximately north-south in an arc in the western side of the study area and is 5.2km to the west of the site boundary at its closest point. It is in and out of the ZTV to the west of Hillhead and again north of Annbank. Distance would ensure that the development is barely perceptible in available views.	Medium (road users)	Negligible Due to distance and intervening vegetation cover.	Imperceptible (not significant)
B743	The B743 runs east through the northern edge of the study area between Auchincruive to the north-west and Sorn in the north-east and is 5.8km to the north of the site at its closest point. The proposed development would in general be barely perceptible due to distance and screening by intervening woodland cover.	Medium (road users)	Negligible Due to distance and screening by intervening woodland cover	Imperceptible (not significant)
B744	The B744 is in and out of the ZTV between Tarbolton and its junction with Tarbolton Road approximately 4km to the north-east. It is 8.2km to the north-west of the site boundary at its closest point. The proposed development would in general be barely perceptible due to distance and screening by intervening woodland cover.	Medium (road users)	Negligible Due to distance and screening by intervening woodland cover	Imperceptible (not significant)



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B7036 (Barony Road)	The B7036 runs between Auchinleck and Ochiltree and is approximately 2.6km to the east of the site boundary at its closest point (Ochiltree centre). The long east-west straight past the Barony A-Frame is for the most part within the building ZTV, however views of the development from here would be restricted greatly by the existing roadside hedge and tree belt.	Medium (road users)	Negligible Due to roadside trees.	Imperceptible (not significant)
B7046	The B7046 runs east west through the southern half of the study area between Cumnock and its junction with the B730 north of Littlemill. At its closest point it is approximately 2.5km to the south-west of the site at its closest point. It is for the most part within the ZTV for this length however the mostly oblique views vary considerably within the ZTV depending upon elevation of viewpoint and degree of intervening vegetation screen. Viewpoints 6 & 8	Medium (road users)	Low overall due to oblique nature of many views and disruption due to intervening vegetation cover.	Slight adverse (not significant)
B7083	The B7083 runs between the A76 on the southern side of Cumnock north to Auchinleck and is 6.2km to the east of the site boundary at its closest point. There would be some distant oblique views of the top of the stack only from the more open sections of the road.	Medium (road users)	Negligible Due to distance and oblique nature of the available views.	Imperceptible (not significant)
Public railways within 10km of the site at the closest point and the ZTV				



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Glasgow – Kilmarnock – Carlisle – Newcastle line	This runs from the north south-eastwards through the northern and eastern part of the study area and is 5.2km to the north-east of the site boundary at its closest point. The closest station to the site is approximately 6.8km to the east-northeast of the site boundary at Auchinleck. In general, potential views towards the site would be screened by cuttings or trackside vegetation. Where available, views would be oblique and distant and comprise glimpses of the top of the stack.	Medium (rail users)	Negligible Due to screening and distance and oblique nature of available views.	Imperceptible (not significant)
Recreational Receptors within 10km of the site at the closest point and the ZTV				
River Ayr Way regional footpath	The River Ayr Way runs east-west through the northern half of the study area and is approximately 4.5km to the north of the site boundary at its closest point. The majority of the route is excluded from the ZTV, the exception being two 500m long sections to the north-west of Barskimming. However, the dense wooded nature of the River Ayr corridor at this point would mean that there would not be any views of the proposed development.	High	Negligible Due to intervening woodland screen.	Imperceptible (not significant)
Core paths around Mauchline	A series of circular walks from Mauchline and connections to Catrine. Such Core Paths are for the most part within the building ZTV and approximately 4.1km to the north-east of the site boundary at the closest point. However, these distant views are often disrupted and screened by intervening vegetation cover.	High	Low to negligible overall due to intervening vegetation cover.	Imperceptible to slight adverse (Not significant)



Table 4 Potential visibility from the transport routes and recreational receptors in the vicinity of the site and within the ZTV				
Roads, paths etc	Potential visibility of the Development	Sensitivity of visual receptors	Magnitude	Significance
Core path (Catrine – Auchilneck)	This takes a circular route south-west from Catrine to join the B7036 on the long Barony Road straight to Auchilneck. With the exception of the area within 1km of Catrine the route is within the stack height ZTV and is for the most part within the building ZTV. However, views of the development would be restricted greatly by the existing hedges and tree belts which the route follows.	High	Negligible Due to distance and oblique nature of the available views.	Imperceptible (not significant)
Core path (Cumnock – Ochiltree)	This route runs approximately east - west on the northern side of the Lugar Water and is approximately 2.9km to the east of the site boundary at its closest point. The route is in and out of the building ZTV, however in general the proposed development would be screened from view by intervening woodland and tree cover.	High	Low overall due to intervening vegetation cover.	Imperceptible to slight adverse (not significant)
Core path (Ochiltree to Drongan)	This route runs approximately south-west to north-east between the two settlements and at its closest point is approximately 720m to the south of the site boundary. For the majority of its length the route is within the building ZTV. Visual impacts would be greatest along the Lessnessock Farm Track where oblique views to the north would include the proposed stack and buildings on the skyline in the context of the existing Killoch industrial site and railhead. Effects would diminish with distance and existing tree cover would screen views from sections of the route. Viewpoints 2, 3, 7, 10	High	Medium to high Due to proximity and open skyline but oblique nature of views and the industrial context, reducing with distance	Substantial adverse (Significant), reducing with distance
Core paths to west side of Drongan	Circular routes on the west and northern side of the town. Though for the most part within the ZTV, there would in general be no view of the development due to intervening vegetation and built development.	High	Negligible overall due to intervening vegetation cover and built development.	Imperceptible (not significant)
Merlin Loch Park, Auchilneck	The development would not be visible due to existing intervening tree cover surrounding the park.	Medium	Negligible overall due to intervening vegetation.	Imperceptible (not significant)



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Play area, Skares	The development would not be visible due to existing intervening vegetation.	Medium	Negligible overall due to intervening vegetation.	Imperceptible (not significant)
Ballochmyle Golf Club, Catrine	Approximately 6km to the north of the site boundary at its closest point, existing tree cover in and around the golf course would screen most views to the site. There would be some distant and oblique views of the top of the stack from the 1 st , 18 th green and Clubhouse.	Medium	Low to negligible overall due to intervening vegetation cover and distant oblique nature of available views.	Imperceptible to slight adverse (not significant)
Playing field, Rankinston	Approximately 6.3km to the south-west at its closest point and on the edge of the ZTVS, there would be no views of the proposed development due to adjacent development within Rankinston.	Medium	Negligible overall due to intervening built development.	Imperceptible (not significant)
Rodlea Golf Course / Ayr Golf Centre (to west of Cadogan)	Approximately 8km to the west of the site boundary at its closest point and with all but the very western and eastern corners excluded from the ZTV. However, in practice, intervening tree cover would screen all potential views of the development.	Medium	Negligible overall due to intervening vegetation.	Imperceptible (not significant)
Public park in Coylton	The park is set within the centre of Coylton and as such there would be no views due to built development.	Medium	Negligible overall due to intervening built development.	Imperceptible (not significant)
Playing fields, Annbank	Two separate open spaces which are both within the ZTV. There would be no views however due to the dense woodland cover to the south and east of the settlement.	Medium	Negligible overall due to intervening vegetation.	Imperceptible (not significant)
Public park in Tarbolton	The park is approximately 8km to the north-west of the site at its closest point to the boundary. Views out of the park are screened by surrounding housing and vegetation.	Medium	Negligible overall due to intervening vegetation cover and built development.	Imperceptible (not significant)
Public Park in Mauchline	The park is approximately 6.5km to the north-east of the site at its closest point to the boundary. Views out of the park are screened by surrounding housing and vegetation.	Medium	Negligible overall due to intervening vegetation cover and built development.	Imperceptible (not significant)