

E6 Fenay Beck Valley Rural Fringes

This area surrounds the incised wooded valley of Fenay Beck and forms an intact elevated fringe farmland between this valley and Holme Valley. As such it forms a ridge of higher ground as well as a foreground to Emley Moor to the east. This pastoral farmland slopes towards the valleys and the most elevated areas are open and visually prominent and are often associated with landmark features such as Castle Hill Tower which looks over Huddersfield and the folly at Green Side. This landscape may appear well wooded with shelterbelt and plantations as a result of parkland influences and intervisibility with the adjoining wooded valleys. Rural villages sit within this landscape overlooking the valleys and church towers e.g. Thurstonland and Farnley Tyas can act as local landmarks. The landscape is traversed by a dense pattern of winding rural lanes and is generally in good condition.