

## IMPORTANT VIEWS IN THUNDRIDGE PARISH

### VIEW 1 NORTH EAST ACROSS HANBURY GOLF COURSE FROM FOOTPATH 23



This view highlights the picturesque Rib Valley running parallel to Anchor lane, with Wades Wood in the distance. This is a popular walking route and an important corridor for wildlife. No buildings are visible from this angle, marking the view as an important local rural landscape; which should not be interrupted by built development.

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### VIEW 2 THUNDRIDGE CRICKET GROUND, RIB VALLEY AND WADES WOOD



This view encapsulates village life and the harmony between natural vegetation, agriculture and recreational land use.

Thundridge Cricket Club has played at this sports field since its foundation in 1935, and the fields provide a safe and pleasant environment for both players and spectators throughout the summer months. The River Rib flows undisturbed behind the pavilion, with Anchor Meadows, a designated Local Green Space, and Wades Wood, a haven for deer and other wildlife, in the background. This landscape provides a rural approach to the village from the west; on foot via Footpath 23 parallel to Langland Wood and by car via Anchor Lane.

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### VIEW 3 VIEW OF THUNDRIDGE OLD CHURCH FROM DUCKETTS WOOD



This view is from a the high point on Ducketts Wood, east north east over the A10 towards Thundridge Old Church. The road is completely invisible, being in a cutting at this point.

No structures of built development should impinge on the view of the church from the edge of Thundridge village.

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### VIEW 4 VIEW OF THUNDRIDGE OLD CHURCH IN THE RIB VALLEY FROM OLD CHURCH LANE BRIDLEWAY 24



This view is an important part of the setting of Thundridge Old Church. The original village of Thundridge was a km or so east of its present position. All that remains of the old settlement is the ruined C15th tower of the old church and what is left of a C17th moated manor house called Thundridge Bury. The church was known as "All Hallows and Little Saint Mary" and was demolished in 1853, to be replaced by the new church of St. Mary, in what is now Thundridge village.

Any new buildings or structures would impinge on this historic view of the old church from Bridleway 24. The view should be retained for historical value.

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### VIEW 5 VILLAGES OF THUNDRIDGE AND WADESMILL VIEWED FROM THE HERTFORDSHIRE WAY BEHIND RENNESLEY FARM



The Hertfordshire Way long distance footpath crosses through the Parish, and the view taken from this point, the junction of Bridleway 35 and Footpath 37 is one of the best views of the villages of Thundridge and Wadesmill. St Mary's Church, and the period cottages of Ermine Street are key features of the view, which should continue to be enjoyed, along with the woodlands and agricultural land forming a rural fringe around the villages.

Any new development in the villages should respect the scale and height of the existing built form to preserve this valued view.

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### VIEW 6 WADESMILL AND THUNDRIDGE VILLAGES FROM CAMBRIDGE ROAD



This view is looking south from the Clarkson Memorial with The Feathers Inn in the foreground, a 17<sup>th</sup> century coaching inn, and the Victorian parish church of St Mary's at the top of the hill. These two key buildings must remain part of the view enjoyed by local people and visitors driving through on the main road. Both buildings add character to the landscape and have historical value.

Any new development or alteration to buildings pictured should preserve or enhance the historic character and appearance of this view in the Thundridge and Wadesmill Conservation Area.

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### VIEW 7 WEST TOWARDS THE RIVER RIB AND THUNDRIDGE OLD CHURCH



The view from Footpath 33, linking the Harcamlow Way long distance path with the village of Thundridge, provides views of a diverse range of landscape features, including the Arboretum of Youngsbury, and the tranquil valley of the River Rib (in the middle ground). This view, which looks towards VIEW 10, should remain a rural approach to the village around the Thundridge Old Church.

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### VIEW 8 TOWARDS COLD CHRISTMAS FROM BRIDLEWAY 51 HOME FARM



Here the beauty of the farm land bordering the Youngsbury Estate Arboretum and Rib Valley can be appreciated from the bridleway which forms part of the Harcamlow way, a long distance footpath crossing 3 counties (Essex, Herts and Cambs) and linking Harlow to Cambridge. The hamlet of Cold Christmas nestles on the horizon, on the Greenwich Meridian line dividing the east and west hemispheres of the globe.

This is a wonderful example of a view undistracted by modern development and a beautiful undulating landscape, which deserves to be protected from new built development.



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### VIEW 9 EAST TOWARD ST JOHN'S CHURCH AND PULLER MEMORIAL SCHOOL, HIGH CROSS



This view is taken from Marshalls Lane looking east towards high Cross. In the distance in the centre of the view are the two most important features of High Cross, St Johns Church circa 1845 and the Puller Memorial School circa 1864.

Pressure for development in High Cross village could harm this rural view. Any new development should respect the sightlines to the church and school in order to retain this long distance view of the village.

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### VIEW 10 ST JOHN'S CHURCH AND THE RECTORY ACROSS GLEBE FIELD, FROM NORTH DRIVE, HIGH CROSS



This view is the most cherished in High Cross. The view captures the listed church and The Rectory in their idyllic setting of mature trees. The vista gives North Drive an air of a tranquil and rural setting, in the centre of the village; something that is so important in capturing the essence of a country village.

Any development that impinges on this view will be rigorously rejected.