

Photograph 1: Red Meadow Hill, Coton Country Park

This viewpoint allows elevated views across much of Cambridge, from higher ground on the edge of the Western Claylands. It demonstrates the compactness of the historic core of the city, with landmarks such as King's College and the University Library breaking the vegetated skyline and identifying the city centre. The green edge to the city is also clearly visible, with little of the built form of Cambridge seen through the vegetation and the rural foreground to the city (principally Sectors 3 and 4) seen in front of the vegetation. Higher ground to the south east and south of the city can also be seen in the distance, including the Gog Magog Hills.



Photograph 2: Arable land of Sector 3 west of the historic core

This viewpoint gives low level views of several key landmarks within the historic core, as well as views of the newer West Cambridge site. It demonstrates the soft green edge of Cambridge as seen from the western side of the city and highlights the proximity of the historic core to surrounding countryside. The view is across the rural foreground to the city, with Distinctive Cambridge, formed by Fellows' houses, Colleges and University buildings west of the historic core, immediately beyond.

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Figure 15: Photographs 1 and 2



Photograph 3: Arable land in Sector 4 north of Grantchester

This view is from a field entrance on Grantchester Road and provides the first view of landmarks within Cambridge just after leaving Grantchester. The well vegetated rural landscape, which is important to the setting of both Cambridge and Grantchester, is clearly apparent.



Photograph 4: Grantchester Meadows along the River Corridor

Views from Grantchester Meadows allow glimpses of the landmarks in the historic core of Cambridge, such as the Roman Catholic Church spire. The flood meadows form part of the River Cam corridor and are both a key feature of the setting of Cambridge and an important green approach to the city by foot, bicycle or river. This viewpoint highlights the rural character of the land which runs into Cambridge along the river corridor.

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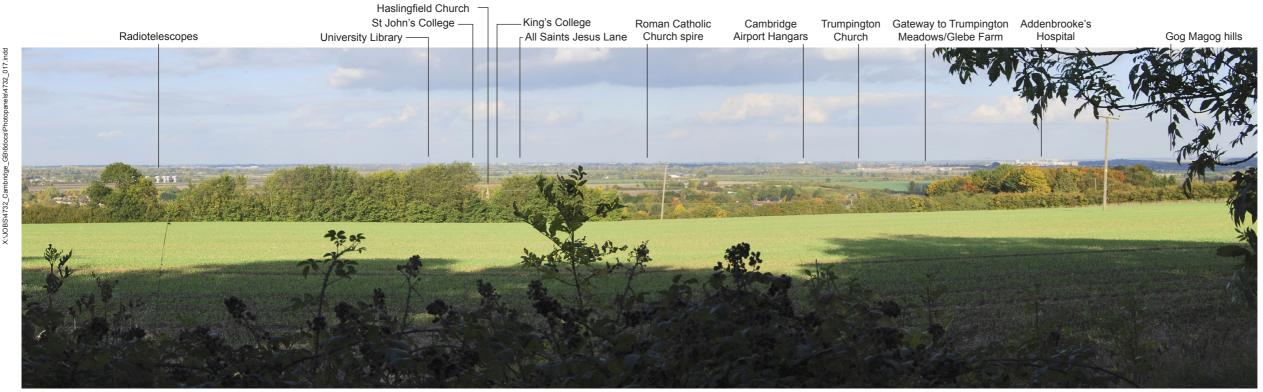


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Figure 16: Photographs 3 and 4



Photograph 5: Chapel Hill

The elevated view from the public footpath west of Chapel Hill, on the Wimpole Ridge Chalk Hills, demonstrates the strong rural foreground to views of Cambridge from the south west. It also illustrates the location of the city in a bowl landform, enclosed by the Chalk Hills to the south and the Claylands to the west. The visibility of landmark features in the historic core demonstrate the compactness of this area of the city, with the soft green edge preventing views of much of the built areas of Cambridge.



Photograph 6: St Margaret's Mount (Rowley's Hill)

This slightly elevated viewpoint, from the public footpath to the Gregory Wale Obelisk on St Margaret's Mount, also known as Rowley's Hill, allows views towards the south western edge of Cambridge. It shows the vegetated route of the M11, with the soft edge to Cambridge beyond. Church spires within the historic core of Cambridge are occasionally visible above the vegetation, with new development at Trumpington Meadows, Glebe Farm and Addenbrooke's Hospital also breaking the vegetation line.

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