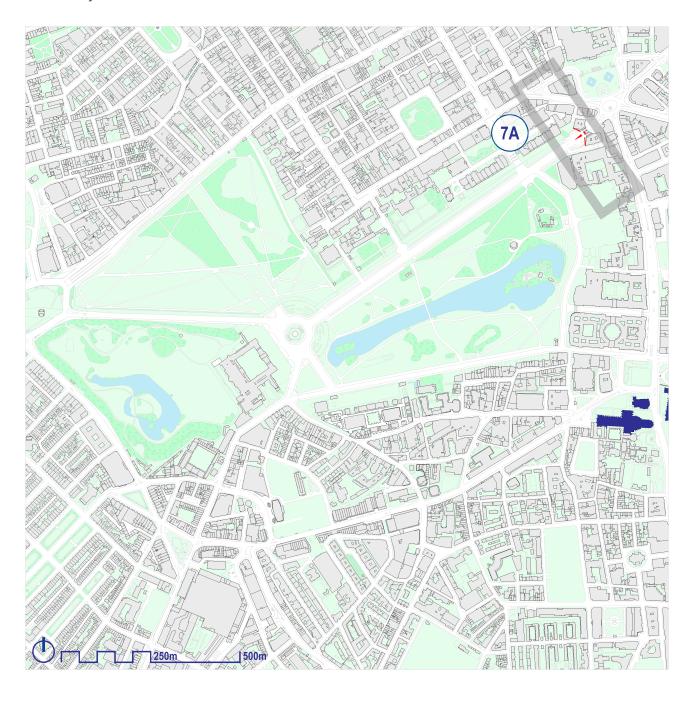
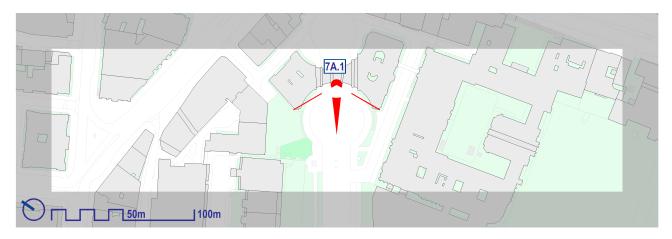
7 Linear View: The Mall to Buckingham Palace

158 The Mall is London's principal ceremonial route used by royal processions on many state occasions. It was originally laid out for Charles II in the 1660s, forming part of the landscape design for St James's Park, was formalised by John Nash in 1827 and had significant enhancements made in the early 1900s.



Viewing Location 7A The Mall: at Admiralty Arch



N.B for key to symbols refer to image 1



Panorama from Assessment Point 7A.1 The Mall: at Admiralty Arch - axial view

Description of the Views

- 159 The Viewing Location on The Mall is immediately southwest of the central arch of Admiralty Arch. The symmetry of the view to Buckingham Palace demands that this position be used for Assessment Point 7A.1.
- 160 The foreground is a large expanse of red tarmac with the fortified Citadel of the Admiralty building beyond, on the south side. The avenue of trees forms a deep middle ground, and leads the eye to the Victoria Memorial and Buckingham Palace. Flagpoles seasonally contribute to the perspective of the view.

Landmarks include: Buckingham Palace (I)

Also in the view: Queen Victoria Memorial (I) 82

Visual Management Guidance

Foreground and Middle Ground

¹⁶¹ The view towards Buckingham Palace would be diminished by any intrusion above the foreground landscaping. Management of the front and middle ground should be considered in conjunction with the management of trees on The Mall.

Background

¹⁶² Buckingham Palace is the London residence of the Monarch. Its dominance in the view emphasises its status. For this reason, it would be inappropriate for any development in the background to become visible above the palace.



View from Assessment Point 7A.1 The Mall: at Admiralty Arch – axial view (On traffic island outside central arch). 529964.3E 180301.8N. Camera height 9.20m AOD. Aiming at Buckingham Palace (Central axis of the East Front). Bearing 235.2°, distance 1.1km.



Management of the Viewing Location

This view is experienced from the centre of The Mall, the axial position having been chosen for its symmetry. It is not expected that the place can be managed like other Viewing Locations that are more easily accessible to public. The Assessment Point should remain accessible, however, to those required to assess development falling in the foreground, middle ground or background of Buckingham Palace.