gradient of sightline rising at 1:27 (i.e. 620 divided by 23)

horizontal lines every 50m AOD
SECTION THROUGH RISING SIGHTLINE

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Westminster Palace central ridge level 31.5m AOD

620m

Lambeth Bridge towards east end eye level 8.5m AOD

Note: The view from the west end of the bridge past Victoria Tower has a steeper sightline

Camden LB 200m AOD

PLAN OF VIEW CONE 1:25,000 with levels of base of sightline, m AOD

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Example A: The Palace of Westminster from Lambeth Bridge

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Example B: The Palace of Westminster from Albert Embankment

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gradient of sightlines rising from S of eye at 1:26 (i.e. 580 divided by 22.5)

horizontal lines every 50mAOD
SECTION THROUGH RISING SIGHTLINE

1:25,000

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Westminster Palace
side ridge level
29mAOD

Embankment eye level
6.5mmAOD

Note: These sightlines are similar to those from Westminster Bridge

PLAN OF VIEW CONE
with levels of base of sightline,
mAOD 1:25,000

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Example C:
The Palace of Westminster
from embankment between
Hungerford and Westminster Bridge

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SIGHTLINES BEYOND VIEWS OF THE
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Note: As the Palace roof silhouette is less important than Victoria Tower and Big Ben from the raised footbridge the high ridge level of the riverside pavilions has been selected as the bottom of the open sky.

Example D: Victoria Tower and Big Ben from Hungerford footbridge

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Example E: Open view past Westminster Abbey towers over tree canopy from NE corner of Parliament Square

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Viewpoint north of Abbey eye level 7mAOD
Bottom of open sky beside Big Ben 20mAOD
gradient of sightline rising at 1:15 (i.e. 195 divided by 13)

195m

1:25,000
c horizontal lines every 50mAOD
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PLAN OF VIEW CONE 1:25,000
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Example F: Open view past Big Ben from Parliament Square and Westminster Abbey

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mAOD LEVELS OF BASE OF RISING SIGHTLINES BEYOND VIEWS OF THE TOWERS OF WESTMINSTER
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National Gallery
portico
eye level 18.5m AOD

over roofs
39.5m AOD
at Big Ben

gradient of sightline rising at 1:44 (i.e. 925 divided by 21)

925m

1:25,000

horizontal lines every 50m AOD
SECTION THROUGH RISING SIGHTLINE

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PLAN OF VIEW CONE
with levels of base
of sightline, m AOD
1:50,000

Example G: Big Ben and Victoria Tower
from the National Gallery

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Viewpoint in NE corner of Waterloo Place eye level 13mAOD
Upper windows of Victoria Tower 65mAOD
gradient of sightline rising at 1:22 (i.e. 1150 divided by 52)

PLAN OF VIEW CONE 1:25,000 with levels of base of sightline, mAOD

Note: At Victoria Tower width of view cone taken to be 3 x width of the tower

Example H: Victoria Tower from Waterloo Place; also from Lower Regent Street where sight lines are flatter

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Viewpoint on path south of the Mall
eye level 7.5mAOD
Big Ben
below clock-face
49mAOD

gradient of sightline rising at 1:19 (i.e. 780 divided by 41.5)

1:25,000
horizontal lines every 50mAOD
SECTION THROUGH RISING SIGHTLINE

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PLAN OF VIEW CONE  1:25,000
with levels of base of sightline, mAOD

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Example J1: Big Ben
from Central Mall & St James's Park

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Viewpoint at bottom of Constitution Hill
eye level 8mAOD

Big Ben below the clock-face
49mAOD

gradient of sightline rising at 1:29 (i.e. 1200 divided by 41)

1200m

1:25,000

horizontal lines every 50mAOD
SECTION THROUGH RISING SIGHTLINE

1:25,000 PLAN OF VIEW CONE
with levels of base of sightline, mAOD

1:50,000

1:10,000 PLAN OF VIEW
width of cone at Big Ben: 100m

Note: There are fine views of Big Ben from the bottom of Constitution Hill from the base of Queen Victoria Memorial and from the east balustrade

Example K: Big Ben
from in front of Buckingham Palace

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Serpentine Bridge
eye level
22.0m AOD
gradient of sight line rising at 1:128.4 (i.e. 3403 divided by 26.5)

Base of Abbey
and Victoria Towers
48.5m AOD

dashed line shows original view
of Abbey towers from Kent's pavilion,
after Serpentine was created in 1737

SECTION THROUGH RISING SIGHTLINE
1:25,000

3403m

PLAN OF VIEW CONE 1:25,000
with levels of base of sightline, mAOD

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1:50,000
This view cone extends
at a flat gradient
across S-E London

Note: View cone and dimensions
have been obtained from the
London View Management Framework,
Townscape View number 23

Example L: Abbey and Victoria
Towers from Serpentine Bridge

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