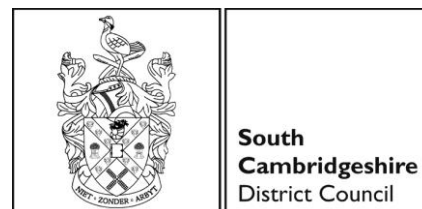


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To: Councillor Robert Turner, Portfolio Holder

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Dear Sir / Madam

You are invited to attend the next meeting of **PLANNING PORTFOLIO HOLDER'S MEETING**, which will be held in **SWANSLEY ROOM A AND B - GROUND FLOOR** at South Cambridgeshire Hall on **WEDNESDAY, 26 JULY 2017** at **2.00 p.m.**

Yours faithfully  
**Beverly Agass**  
Chief Executive

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Friday 25 August 2017 at 10.00am

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- Integrity
- Dynamism
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# Agenda Item 2

## **SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Planning Portfolio Holder's Meeting held on  
Tuesday, 13 December 2016 at 2.00 p.m.

Portfolio Holder: Robert Turner

### **Councillors in attendance:**

Scrutiny and Overview Committee monitors: Graham Cone and Philippa Hart

Opposition spokesmen: Anna Bradnam and Bridget Smith

Also in attendance:

### **Officers:**

Jane Green	Head of New Communities
Caroline Hunt	Planning Policy Manager
Jennifer Nuttycombe	Senior Planning Policy Officer
David Roberts	Principal Planning Policy Officer
Ian Senior	Democratic Services Officer

### **1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - 8 NOVEMBER 2016**

The Planning Portfolio Holder signed, as a correct record, the Minutes of the meeting held on 8 November 2016.

### **3. STRATEGIC SITES SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENTS**

The Planning Portfolio Holder considered a report setting out options and the process for preparing Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs) for Waterbeach New Town and Bourn Airfield New Village and a joint SPD with Cambridge City Council for Land North of Cherry Hinton.

Councillor Anna Bradnam raised three points exploring the relationships between SPDs and outline planning applications, the likely timing of planning applications for the two separate elements of Waterbeach New Town, and current location of the northern boundary of the Waterbeach New Town footprint and its proximity to Debby Abbey. In reply to the first point, the Planning Policy Manager said that the function of SPDs was simply to address capacity issues. It was for the development control process to deal with the specifics of individual planning applications. In reply to the second point, the Portfolio Holder said it would be ideal if Waterbeach New Town could be considered holistically but, in reality, the Council had to accept that there were two independent applications. The Planning Policy Manager added that the situation could at least in part be managed by finalising an SPD for the whole of Waterbeach New Town prior to the first application being submitted. In reply to the third point, the Planning Policy Manager said that there had been no realignment of the northern boundary as yet, and that discussions were ongoing between South Cambridgeshire District Council, the developer and Historic England on the basis of the boundary line defined in the draft Local Plan currently subject to public examination.

Councillor Philippa Hart referred to paragraph 30 of the report. The Planning Policy

Manager reiterated that there were benefits in adopting SPDs as soon as possible, and cautioned against preparing SPDs only once the Local Plan was in place.

Councillor Bridget Smith referred to paragraph 4 and wondered whether, in view of the imminent submission of the application relating to the western part of the Waterbeach site, an SPD in that case had any value. Councillor Smith asked whether officers should focus instead on preparing an SPD for Bourn Airfield New Village. The Planning Policy Manager highlighted the risk to the Council of not having an SPD in place. SPDs for Waterbeach and Bourn Airfield could be worked upon now, with public consultation taking place as soon as possible.

Councillor Smith referred to paragraph 13 and expressed enthusiasm for consultation with interest groups similar to the Local Liaison Forums set up under the Greater Cambridge City Deal. Referring to wording in paragraph 8, she hoped that the Council would show confidence in its leadership in developing new communities and, accordingly, proceed in terms of 'will' rather than 'can'.

Councillor Hart referred to paragraph 32 and asked how a switch from preparing Area Action Plans (AAPs) to Supplementary Planning Documents saved money. In reply, the Planning Policy Manager said that SPDs were not subject to public examination whereas AAPs were. In addition, promoters were expected to contribute to the cost of preparing SPDs. In reply to Councillor Graham Cone, officers said that, while contributions were expected in principle, no specific costs could be identified at this stage.

The Planning Portfolio Holder **agreed**

- (a) That a Supplementary Planning Document be prepared jointly with Cambridge City Council for Land North of Cherry Hinton to the broad timetable set out in paragraphs 19-20 of the report from the Joint Director for Planning and Economic Development;
- (b) To commence preparation of Supplementary Planning Documents for Waterbeach New Town and Bourn Airfield New Village to the broad timetables set out in paragraphs 21 to 25 of the report; and
- (c) The general process for preparing Supplementary Planning Documents contained in paragraph 13 of the report.

#### **4. SUBMITTED SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE LOCAL PLAN: BOURN AIRFIELD NEW VILLAGE - POLICY SS/6**

On 17 November 2016, Full Council had decided to submit modifications to the South Cambridgeshire Local Plan Examination Inspectors, to include a number of additional parcels of land within the Major Development Site for Bourn Airfield new village (Policy SS/6). Full Council also resolved that the Planning Portfolio Holder give further consideration to the wording of section 7b of policy SS/6 Bourn Airfield New Village regarding the provision of a suitable buffer between the new village and Caldecote / Highfields on its eastern boundary and agree the wording to be submitted to the Inspectors.

The Scrutiny and Overview Committee Chairman had concurred with the view of officers that the Portfolio Holder could consider this matter without having to give public notice beyond the publication of the Council decision and the Planning Portfolio Holder agenda. In any event, the issue had a direct effect on only one ward.

The Planning Portfolio Holder referred to paragraphs 7 and 8 of the report from the Joint Director for Planning and Economic Development, and to the revised wording proposed. A comparison was drawn with the buffer zone between Longstanton and Northstowe. In response to Councillors Anna Bradnam and Philippa Hart, the Planning Policy Manager said that details of the tree belt would be considered as part of the drafting of the Supplementary Planning Document.

The Planning Portfolio Holder **agreed** the revised wording of section 7b of Policy SS/6 as reported to Council on the 17 November in the supplementary report entitled 'supplement in response to the Planning Portfolio Holder's recommendation to Council' read as follows, with new text highlighted:

**“Provide Strategic landscaping within and beyond the Major Development Area Site** to deliver a high quality landscaped setting around the boundary of the settlement to avoid it appearing as part of a ribbon of urban development south of the A428, to maintain the rural nature of the Broadway and ensure separation from Cambourne, and to ensure countryside separation from Caldecote / Highfields and Bourn. **The strategic landscaping along the eastern boundary of the Strategic Site south of the existing employment area will include a substantial and continuous woodland belt, including land within the Major Development Site”.**

## 5. LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK - ANNUAL MONITORING REPORT 2015-2016

The Planning Portfolio Holder considered the Local Development Framework Annual Monitoring Report 2015-2016 prior to it being published on South Cambridgeshire District Council's website.

Councillor Anna Bradnam referred to paragraph 22 of the report from the Joint Director for Planning and Economic Development. The Planning Portfolio Holder said that the Planning Inspector responsible for the public examination of the emerging Local Plans of both South Cambridgeshire District Council and Cambridge City Council had not yet indicated whether the proposed joint trajectory of the two Councils' five-year land supply would be acceptable or not. The Planning Policy Manager highlighted the fact that, on its own, it was anticipated that South Cambridgeshire District Council would not be able to demonstrate a five-year land supply until 2019. She added that, as the Local Plan would not be adopted without a five-year land supply in place, officers would have to look at other sites if the Inspector rejected the joint trajectory approach.

Councillor Philippa Hart asked for a definition of the word 'delivery' in this context. In reply, it was stated that it meant that, while construction might be over, the property might not yet be occupied. The Portfolio Holder said that the Council was issuing planning permissions in an effort to increase supply, but was reliant on the construction industry to build and sell properties.

The Planning Portfolio Holder:

- (d) **approved** the contents of the Annual Monitoring Report 2015-2016 (included as Appendix 2 (website only)) for publication; and

- (e) **delegated** any further minor editing changes to the Annual Monitoring Report to the Joint Director for Planning and Economic Development where they are technical matters.

**6. LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME UPDATE**

The Planning Portfolio Holder considered a report about the updated Local Development Scheme (LDS) for South Cambridgeshire.

Full Council had agreed several modifications to the emerging Local Plan on 17 November 2016. They included the deletion of any requirement to prepare Area Action Plans for new settlements (Waterbeach New Town and the New Village at Bourn Airfield). Full Council had therefore agreed that these would be removed from the LDS. The revised LDS, attached to the report from the Joint Director for Planning and Economic Development as Appendix A, had been amended to reflect this. The intention was to produce Supplementary Planning Documents for the New Settlements, but there was no duty to list these within the LDS. The updated LDS also incorporated the latest timetable for the Local Plan, subject to progress with the Local Plan Examination, and a list of neighbourhood areas designated within the district.

The Planning Portfolio Holder **approved** the updated Local Development Scheme attached as Appendix A to the report from the Joint Director for Planning and Economic Development.

**7. WORK PROGRAMME**

The Planning Portfolio Holder noted the Work Programme attached to the agenda;

**8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Those present noted that the next Planning Portfolio Holder meeting would be on 7 February 2017, starting at 10.00am

Full Business meetings had also been convened for 4 April 2017 and 7 November 2017, both meetings beginning at 10.00am.

The meeting provisionally set for 10.00am on 11 July 2017 would be confirmed as soon as possible if a meeting room could be secured.

Additional meeting times would be reserved in due course. Additional meetings would be called at these times should there be an urgent need to discuss issues arising out of the Local Plan public examination.

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**The Meeting ended at 3.30 p.m.**

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# Agenda Item 3



South  
Cambridgeshire  
District Council

**Report To:** Planning Portfolio Holder

26 July 2017

**Lead Officer:** Joint Director for Planning and Economic Development

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## **South Cambridgeshire Local Plan – Review of Local Green Space following the Inspectors’ interim findings**

### **Purpose**

1. To agree Proposed Modifications to the Submitted South Cambridgeshire Local Plan that relate to Local Green Spaces, responding to the Local Plan Inspectors’ Interim Findings of March 2017.
2. This is a key decision because proposed local green spaces have been included in the draft Local Plan and are found district-wide. It was first published in the June 2017 in the Forward Plan.

### **Recommendations**

3. It is recommended that the Planning Portfolio Holder:
  - i) Agrees to submit to the Local Plan Examination Inspectors the ‘Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors’ Interim Findings’ document in **Appendix A** in response to their Interim Findings;
  - ii) Agrees the Proposed Modifications to the submitted South Cambridgeshire Local Plan that relate to sites identified as Local Green Space in the Submission Local Plan set out in **Appendix B** be submitted to the Inspectors examining the Local Plan;
  - iii) Agrees that delegated authority be given to the Joint Director of Planning and Economic Development to make any subsequent minor amendments and editing changes, in consultation with the Planning Portfolio Holder.

### **Reasons for Recommendations**

4. To respond to the preliminary conclusions received from the Local Plan Inspectors regarding Local Green Space and consider the results of the review the Council has carried out at their request. Proposed Modifications are recommended, to change the designation of a number of sites to the alternative local designations of Protected Village Amenity Area or Important Countryside Frontage, and remove LGS status from a number of sites that do not meet the criteria for any of the designations.

### **Background**

5. The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) (2012) introduced a new designation – Local Green Space (LGS), which would enable green areas of particular importance to local communities to be designated, and rule out development other than in very special circumstances, in a similar manner to Green Belt.

6. The Local Plan Issues and Options process prior to submission provided an opportunity for sites to be suggested for consideration. Some 270 sites were suggested, the majority by Parish Councils. These were reviewed by the Council, and subject to public consultation through the Proposed Submission Local Plan (2013) consultation. In total 172 sites were included in the Local Plan when it was Submitted in March 2014.
7. Also in March 2014, the Government published the National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG) which included advice on LGS. This recommended specific consultation with landowners on potential LGS sites. With the Inspectors' endorsement the Council carried out a landowner consultation between October and December 2014. The results were considered by the Planning Portfolio Holder on 10 March 2015, resulting in proposed modifications being submitted relating to changes to 7 sites, including deletion of one site.
8. Objections to the Local Green Spaces were considered in the Local Plan Examination hearing into Matter SC4: Protecting and Enhancing the Natural and Historic Environment on 18 January 2017. The Council's statement to the hearing included additional submissions from a number of Parish Councils supporting the inclusion of sites. In most cases, where an objector was appeared at the hearing, the Council was supported by representative of the Parish Council to assist in presenting their case.
9. The Inspectors wrote to the Council in March 2017 with their interim findings on the Local Green Spaces (LGS) policy and the sites proposed to be designated. Their view is that the Council did not set the bar high enough when it carried out the assessment of this new type of national local space designation during the preparation of the submitted Local Plan. They particularly referred to the National Planning Policy Framework description of these areas, that they must be '*demonstrably special*', of '*particular local significance*', and the '*Local Green Space designation will not be appropriate for most green areas or open space*'. They gave a number of examples where they considered specific sites did not meet these tests.

### **Considerations**

10. In response to the Inspectors' interim findings, officers have undertaken a review of the 172 sites identified in the submission Local Plan, to reassess each site against the national tests and taking close account of the findings of the Inspectors. This review entitled '*Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings*', is included as Appendix A of this report.
11. The site assessment process has been reviewed, and a proforma developed around the criteria set out in national guidance, to consider whether each site warrants LGS status. This particularly focuses on the key tests highlighted by the Inspectors, and has sought to apply the 'high bar' for designation that they describe.
12. As indicated by the Inspectors, where it was concluded that a site does not warrant LGS status, further testing has been undertaken to consider whether a site should either return to, or become new Protected Village Amenity Areas (PVAA) or Important Countryside Frontages (ICF). These existing designations in the plan provide protection to suitable sites within village frameworks, but not to the level of Green Belt type protection which is the effect of LGS.

### **Results**

13. The Council initially considered whether there were any extensive tracts of land which would fail against the NPPF criteria and other sites which warranted splitting into smaller parcels where the land had different purposes and/or uses which perform differently against the criteria. The results of this exercise mean that there are now 196 parcels of land being considered instead of 172 included in the submitted Plan.
14. The assessment criteria have been applied in a stringent manner, reflecting the high bar set by the NPPF, as requested in the Inspectors' letter. In carrying out the assessment, and drawing on the Inspectors' findings in relation to specific examples of different types of site where provided, a consistent approach has been taken for the following categories of sites:
- **Village Greens** – These sites at the heart of the village make significant contributions to the beauty of many villages, and also often have historic connections. Evidence demonstrates that they meet the stringent criteria set out in the NPPF, and continue to warrant LGS status.
  - **Recreation Grounds** - These are typically of particular local significance providing the main recreation or open space resource to a village. The Inspectors' letter includes the example of NH/12-070 Foxton where they conclude that the recreational value provided by a recreation ground would meet the criteria. Evidence demonstrates that they meet the stringent criteria set out in the NPPF, and continue to warrant LGS status.
  - **Allotments** – As the Inspectors noted for site NH/12-057 Meadow Drift, Elsworth, allotments serve a purpose within villages. The Local Plan recognises that they are valued forms of green space. Provision is sought from new developments, and Policy SC/9 seeks to protect against the loss of sites unless specific criteria are met. The Inspectors did not find the Elsworth site demonstrably special in terms of the LGS criteria. Reflecting on this precedent, similar conclusions have been drawn with other allotment sites, and removal of the LGS designation is proposed. As most are outside development frameworks, they are also not suitable for PVAA designation.
  - **Informal recreation in housing areas** – A number of sites comprise amenity land within housing areas offering opportunities for informal play and recreation. Whilst providing amenity to a local area, it could not be concluded, in light of the Inspectors' conclusions for site NH/12-055 Duxford, that they were of particular local significance and demonstrably special. Some of these were already PVAA in the adopted plan, and the assessment has demonstrated that this designation should be reinstated, reflecting the Inspectors' views on NH/12-144 Butlers Green, Sawston. The majority of such areas that were not previously PVAA are considered to also merit PVAA status. Therefore the plan will still result in an overall increase in protection of this type of space.
  - **Woodland / plantations outside villages** – Several villages identified woodland areas outside villages that contributed to the amenity of their communities. However, applying the more stringent review, the proximity of some sites means that some are considered too far from the village to warrant LGS designation.
  - **Meadows / fields providing informal access or contributing to village character** – these were the most varied and complex types of site to review.

Usage of land varied greatly, from having access via a public right of way, to having no formal public access. Sites also contributed to village character in various ways. The Inspectors' letter addressed three sites of this type (at Bassingbourn, Little Abington, and Fulbourn), and concluded none met the criteria. In Over (sites NH/12-130 and 131), they determined that as area within the village was not demonstrably special, and could not be considered as a valuable landscape in any respect. Through the consultations, communities have expressed the value they place on these areas being open. However, in many cases, it cannot be concluded that the areas themselves are of particular local significance and demonstrably special. In most cases this type of site was outside the development framework, so not suitable for PVAA designation. Some sites however are within frameworks, and contribute to village character and amenity due to their openness or low development density. In such cases designation, or resignation as PVAA is proposed.

- **Cambourne** – Through identifying the areas surrounding Cambourne, with the support of the Parish Council, the Local Plan sought to recognise the integration of open space and countryside into the masterplan of this new settlement. At the Inspectors' request a supplement to the Council's Hearing Statement was submitted which, with the help of the Parish Council, provided further information on the role of different spaces in and around the village. The Inspectors' interim findings consider that the proposed sites would deliver large contiguous tracts of land that would virtually encircle the village. This would conflict with planning Practice Guidance by creating the blanket designation of countryside adjoining settlements, and could be considered a backdoor to creating a Green Belt by any other name. The Council has sought to review whether there are specific areas within Cambourne that warrant individual designation as LGS, and whether some areas would be more appropriately identified as PVAA.

15. The Report in Appendix A includes a summary list ordered by village showing how each individual site performed against the LGS criteria (see section 3) and whether it is proposed to remain LGS, change to PVAA or have no designation. The overall outcome of the reassessment is as follows:

<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>	<b>NUMBER OF SITES</b>	<b>PROPORTION OF SITES</b>
Retain as Local Green Space	82	42%
Return to PVAA	24	12%
New PVAA	43	22%
Return to ICF	4	2%
No longer subject to LGS (and not PVAA or ICF)	43	22%
<b>Total</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>100%</b>

16. Whilst the number of Local Green Space is proposed to be reduced compared with the Submission Local Plan, the overall level of protection to important spaces being provided by the plan in comparison with the previous plan is being increased.
17. Of the 22% of all sites reviewed that will no longer be designated, almost all of those sites lie outside of development frameworks, with only a few exceptions, where most forms of development are not normally permitted. Whilst development frameworks have had little weight in making decisions on planning applications while the Council has been unable to demonstrate a five-year housing land supply, and local

communities have faced a significant number of speculative planning applications and a number of developments have been permitted outside development frameworks, once a five-year supply can again be demonstrated the policy will have full weight.

18. In addition, there are still other avenues open to local communities to protect land in their villages, such as through Neighbourhood Plans or the Community Asset Register (further detail is provided in Chapter 4 of the report in Appendix A).
19. The review indicates that a number of Proposed Modifications are required to be made to the Local Plan in response to the clear steer provided by the Inspectors in their preliminary conclusions. These are included in the schedule in Appendix B.
20. Modifications to the Local Plan have typically been considered by both the Planning Portfolio Holder and full Council where the Council has undertaken further work and is making decisions on proposed changes to the Local Plan that it wishes to put forward to the Inspectors for their consideration. In the case of the LGS review, the Council is providing a technical response to an issue raised by the Inspectors where they have given a very clear steer to the Councils on the changes they consider necessary to make the Local Plans sound, which has been undertaken and is reflected in the Proposed Modifications included in this report. Under those circumstances the matter is being brought to the Planning Portfolio Holder only, although of course the usual call-in procedures apply.

### **Next Steps**

21. If agreed by the Planning Portfolio Holder the Proposed Modifications and supporting evidence will be submitted to the Planning Inspectors on 31 July 2017 for their consideration.
22. It is likely that the Inspectors will recommend modifications needed to make the Local Plan sound. On the basis of their preliminary findings this will include Local Green Space. The Proposed Modifications will be subject to public consultation, anticipated to take place in the Autumn, allowing representations to be made to the Inspectors before they issue their final report.

### **Options**

23. The Portfolio Holder could:
  - (a) Approve the recommendations regarding Proposed Modifications to the Submitted Local Green Space as set out, and submit to the Inspectors for consideration.
  - (b) Amend some or all of the Proposed Modifications regarding Local Green Spaces, and submit to the Inspectors for consideration.
  - (c) Agree the proposed modifications as at options (a) or (b) but consider that they should be referred to full Council for consideration, even though they respond to a specific request from the Inspectors and relate to a clear steer on the changes necessary; or
  - (d) Not agree the proposed modifications relating to Local Green Space, however the Inspectors provided preliminary findings expressing concerns and expecting the Council to carry out a review, and therefore a response must be provided to the Inspectors.

## **Implications**

24. In the writing of this report, taking into account financial, legal, staffing, risk management, equality and diversity, climate change, community safety and any other key issues, the following implications have been considered:

### ***Financial***

25. There are no direct financial implications arising from this report. The cost of preparing the Local Plan has already been budgeted for.

### ***Legal***

26. There are no direct legal implications arising from this report. However, the Inspectors asked the Council to review the Local Green Space designation and this report identifies proposed modifications considered necessary for the Inspectors to find the Local Plan sound.

### ***Staffing***

27. There are no direct staffing implications arising from this report. The review required has already been undertaken within existing resources.

### ***Risk Management***

28. The Inspectors have indicated in their preliminary conclusions that they have serious concerns regarding how the Council has assessed all of the proposed LGS designations. They consider that the assessment has not been carried out with sufficient rigour nor focussed fully on the stringent criteria set out in the NPPF which sets a high bar given that LGS sites enjoy the same level of protection as Green Belt land and they have advised that they expect the Council to carry out a further more rigorous review. If the Council does not respond constructively to address these issues there is a risk that the Local Plan could be found unsound.

## **Consultation responses (including from the Youth Council)**

29. This report is a technical assessment, but it has been informed by various stages of public consultation during the plan making process.

## **Effect on Strategic Aims**

### **LIVING WELL - Support our communities to remain in good health whilst continuing to protect the natural and built environment**

By including a policy in the Local Plan for LGS this will ensure that areas of the district that are valued for their particular local significance by the local community are protected from development, so far as is consistent with planning policy.

## **Appendices**

Appendix A – Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings

Appendix B - Proposed Modifications to the submitted South Cambridgeshire Local Plan that relate to sites identified as Local Green Space in the Submission Local Plan

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National Planning Policy Framework

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Proposed Submission Local Plan – Policies Map

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South Cambridgeshire Local Plan Examination – Matter SC4: Protecting and Enhancing the Natural and Historic Environment – Council's Matter Statement:

<https://www.scambs.gov.uk/content/examination-written-statement-matter-sc4>

Letter from the Inspectors to South Cambridgeshire District Council regarding Interim Finding in Respect of Policy NH/12 Local Green Space (16 March 2017) (RD/GEN/420):

[https://www.scambs.gov.uk/sites/default/files/letter\\_from\\_inspectors\\_re\\_interim\\_findings\\_policy\\_nh12\\_lgs\\_rd-gen-420.pdf](https://www.scambs.gov.uk/sites/default/files/letter_from_inspectors_re_interim_findings_policy_nh12_lgs_rd-gen-420.pdf)

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South Cambridgeshire Local Plan

**Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings**

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## Executive Summary

The Council included 172 Local Green Spaces within the Submission Local Plan (March 2014).

Local Green Space was considered through examination Matter SC4: Protecting and Enhancing the Natural and Historic Environment. The Council's Examination statement included further submissions on a number of sites where there were objections. In addition, further material from a number of Parish Councils was included an appendix to the statement, seeking to provide further support to the designation of specific sites. Statements were also received from objectors to specific sites. The Examination hearing was held on 18 January 2017.

After the hearing, the Examination Inspectors sent the Council a letter (16 March 2017) which set out their interim findings in respect of Policy NH/12: Local Green Space. The Inspectors have indicated that they have serious concerns regarding how the Council has assessed all of the proposed LGS designations. They consider that the assessment has not been carried out with sufficient rigour nor focussed fully on the stringent criteria set out in the NPPF which sets a high bar given that LGS sites enjoy the same level of protection as Green Belt land.

In their letter the Local Plan Inspectors have highlighted paragraphs 77 and 78 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) which set out the requirements for Local Green Space. They have placed in italics the words in these paragraphs that they wish to draw to the attention of the Council.

The Inspectors have also provided some preliminary findings for a number of the Local Green Space sites that were considered during the hearing session on 18 January 2017 covering a number of different types of land. They consider that a number of sites considered at the hearing do not warrant LGS designation, as they do not meet the 'high bar' provided by the NPPF criteria.

For some they suggest that consideration might be given for alternative designations in the Local Plan such as Protected Village Amenity Areas (PVAA) – Policy NH/11 or Important Countryside Frontages (ICF) – Policy NH/13.

The Council has undertaken a review of Local Green Spaces in light of the Inspectors' initial findings, drawing on the examples provided by the Inspectors in their preliminary findings. This report sets out how the Council has undertaken the review, setting out the revised methodology for assessing sites and the findings of the review.

The results of the review are summarised in the table below:

<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>	<b>NUMBER OF SITES</b>	<b>PROPORTION OF SITES</b>
Retain as Local Green Space	82	42%
Return to PVAA	24	12%
New PVAA	43	22%
Return to ICF	4	2%
No longer subject to LGS (and not PVAA or ICF)	43	22%
<b>Total</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>100%</b>

The review process has concluded that 82 of the sites assessed are considered to meet the NPPF criteria, and reflect the high bar given to the designation consistent with the Inspectors' conclusions. These sites should retain their status as Local Green Space (LGS), representing 42% of the sites reviewed.

Of those that do not warrant LGS it concludes that the majority should either return to Protected Village Amenity Area (PVAA), become new PVAA, or become Important Countryside Frontages, comprising 71 sites, 36% of those reviewed. Therefore 78% of the sites assessed in the review will retain protection as areas important to the character and amenity of the village concerned.

The review concludes that 43 sites do not meet the criteria necessary for any of these designations and should become undesignated, comprising 22% of all sites reviewed. However, almost all of those sites lie outside of development frameworks, with only a few exceptions, where most forms of development are not normally permitted.

Whilst the number of Local Green Space is proposed to be reduced compared with the Submission Local Plan, by virtue of the conclusions that a significant proportion of sites not justifying LGS should revert to PVAA as in the adopted plan or be designated as new PVAA, the overall level of protection to important spaces being provided by the Local Plan in comparison with the previous plan is being increased.

## 1. Background

1. The National Planning Policy Framework 2012 introduced the concept of Local Green Space and provided some high level guidance on their designation. The Council consulted through two rounds of Issues and Options (2012 and 2013) on whether to include a policy in the Local Plan on Local Green Spaces (LGS), and which sites to designate.<sup>1</sup> In particular Parish Councils were invited to put forward sites that they wished to be considered as Local Green Space reflecting local views in light of the national guidance that these needed to be sites that are demonstrably special to a local community and hold a particular local significance. As a result of both consultations some 270 sites were considered for designation as LGS. The Sustainability Appraisal<sup>2</sup> records how all sites were assessed against a series of criteria derived from the National Planning Policy Framework prior to submission of the Local Plan.<sup>3</sup>
2. The Council included 172 Local Green Spaces within the Proposed Submission Local Plan (2013)<sup>4</sup>. A large number of comments were received (424), of which 395 were in support and 29 objections. In most cases no new issues were raised that affected the assessment of the sites so the Council remained of the opinion that these site designations should remain in the plan. The Local Plan, together with a limited number of proposed changes<sup>5</sup>, was subsequently submitted to the Secretary of State in March 2014.
3. In the same month the Local Plan was submitted for examination the Government published the National Planning Practice Guidance<sup>6</sup> which included more advice on LGS, including that landowners should be contacted at an early stage about proposals to designate any part of their land as LGS<sup>7</sup>. Although landowners had the opportunity to comment through the earlier consultations, the Inspectors endorsed a targeted consultation with landowners, which was undertaken in October 2014.

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<sup>1</sup> Issues and Options (2012) Question 38: Should the Local Plan identify any open spaces as Local Green Space and if so, what areas should be identified, including areas that may already be identified as Protected Village Amenity Areas? (RD/LP/040)

Issues and Options 2 (2013) Question 12: Which of the potential Green Spaces do you support or object to and why? (RD/LP/050)

60 sites were included in the Issues and Options 2 (2013) consultation for consideration as LGS. A further 9 were identified as Parish Council proposed important green spaces as these sites submitted by the Parish Councils did not meet the criteria tests for LGS.

<sup>2</sup> Draft Final Sustainability Appraisal (March 2014), Annex A – Audit Trail, 6: Protecting and Enhancing the Natural and Historic Environment, pages A438-A483 and Draft Final Sustainability Appraisal (March 2014), Annex A Appendix 5: Evidence paper for LGS and PVAA. (RD/Sub/SC/060)

<sup>3</sup> RD/NP/010 (relevant extract provided in Appendix 2 of this report)

<sup>4</sup> RD/Sub/SC/010

<sup>5</sup> RD/Sub/SC/030 and RD/Sub/SC/040. Modifications responded to objections received to the Proposed Submission Local Plan consultation and resulted in refinements to the boundaries of sites. Minor changes: Orwell – Chapel Orchard by the Methodist Church, Orwell – Fishers Lane allotments, Harston – Recreation Ground and orchard (to remove farmland / Green Belt) Major modification to delete housing allocation at Bancroft Farm, Church Lane, Little Abington from a larger LGS.

<sup>6</sup> RD/NP/020 (relevant extract provided in Appendix 2 of this report)

<sup>7</sup> Paragraph 018 (Reference ID: 37-018-20140306) Revision date: 06 03 2014 (RD/NP/020)

4. A report on the targeted consultation with landowners was considered and agreed by the Planning Portfolio Holder (on 10 March 2015) and the findings of the consultation reported to the Inspectors in July 2016<sup>8</sup>. The Council proposed changes to 7 sites, largely resulting in amendments to the boundary of sites, and one site (site NH/12-167 at Waterbeach) was proposed to be deleted in its entirety.<sup>9</sup>

#### Local Plan Examination

5. Local Green Space was considered through examination Matter SC4: Protecting and Enhancing the Natural and Historic Environment. The Council's Examination statement<sup>10</sup> included further submissions on a number of sites where there were objections. In addition, further material from a number of Parish Councils was included an appendix to the statement, seeking to provide further support to the designation of specific sites. Statements were also received from objectors to specific sites. The Examination hearing was held on 18 January 2017.
6. After the hearing, the Examination Inspectors sent the Council a letter (16 March 2017)<sup>11</sup> which set out their interim findings in respect of Policy NH/12: Local Green Space. (A copy of the letter is included in Appendix 1).

#### **Interim Findings from the Inspectors**

7. In their letter<sup>12</sup> the Local Plan Inspectors have highlighted paragraphs 77 and 78 of the National Planning Policy Framework<sup>13</sup> (NPPF) which set out the requirements for Local Green Space. They have placed in italics the words in these paragraphs that they wish to draw to the attention of the Council. These paragraphs are set out as follows:

The paragraphs state that "The Local Green Space designation will not be appropriate for *most* (Inspector's italics) green areas or open space. The designation should only be used:

- where green space is in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves;
- where the green area is *demonstrably special* (Inspector's italics) to the local community and holds a *particular local significance* (Inspector's italics), for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife; and
- where the green area concerned is local in character and is not *an extensive tract of land* (Inspector's italics).
- Local policy for managing development within a LGS should be consistent with policy for *Green Belts* (Inspector's italics)".

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<sup>8</sup> RD/NE/240

<sup>9</sup> The changes are summarised in paragraph 17 and set out in detail in Appendix 2 (RD/NE/240)

<sup>10</sup> <https://www.scams.gov.uk/content/examination-written-statement-matter-sc4>

<sup>11</sup> RD/GEN/420

<sup>12</sup> RD/GEN/420

<sup>13</sup> RD/NP/010



8. The Inspectors have provided some preliminary findings for a number of the Local Green Space sites that were considered during the hearing session on 18 January 2017 covering a number of different types of land. They consider that a number of sites considered at the hearing do not warrant LGS designation, as they do not meet the 'high bar' provided by the NPPF criteria.
9. For some they suggest that consideration might be given for alternative designations in the Local Plan such as Protected Village Amenity Areas (PVAA) – Policy NH/11 or Important Countryside Frontages (ICF) – Policy NH/13.
10. The Inspectors have indicated that they have serious concerns regarding how the Council has assessed all of the proposed LGS designations. They consider that the assessment has not been carried out with sufficient rigour nor focussed fully on the stringent criteria set out in the NPPF which sets a high bar given that LGS sites enjoy the same level of protection as Green Belt land.

### **The Council's Response**

11. The Council has noted the interim findings made by the Local Plan Inspectors and has carried out a review of the sites that have been proposed as Local Green Space in the Submission Local Plan.
12. This document provides a review of the LGS. It includes the following sections:
  - 2. Methodology for the LGS review; outlining the three stage review process, including a review of the criteria for LGS and the assessments to be applied for PVAA and ICF where sites do not meet LGS.
  - 3. Results of the Assessment; outlining a summary of the findings, including the broad outcomes for different categories of land. (detailed maps and proforma are provided in appendices.)
  - 4. Implications for development and local communities; outlining the wider implications of LGS designation and other ways local communities can protect important areas of land which do not meet LGS.

## 2. Methodology for the LGS Review

13. The LGS designation was newly introduced by the NPPF<sup>14</sup> in 2012, at the time the Council was carrying out the Issues and Options process to inform the Local Plans. The Council responded to its introduction by working with communities to identify whether there were areas that could potentially warrant designation, and testing potential sites against the criteria provided by the NPPF (this process is outlined in Chapter 1 and in more detail in Appendix 2).
14. The Inspectors' Interim Findings indicate that a 'high bar' should be applied to the criteria, given that LGS sites enjoy a level of protection consistent with Green Belt land. They also indicate that further consideration should be given as to whether other designations used in the local plan to protect important areas, namely Protected Village Amenity Area, or Important Countryside Frontage, could be a more appropriate designation.
15. The Council have therefore carried out:
  - A. A review of how criteria provided by the NPPF and NPPG should be interpreted and applied in light of the Inspectors' findings, including in relation to particular types of land. (For convenience extracts are provided in Appendix 3).
  - B. Test each of the 172 sites identified in the submitted Local Plan as LGS against these criteria, and document this process.
  - C. Review whether any sites which are not considered to meet the LGS criteria should be designated as PVAA and ICF.

### A. Reviewing the LGS criteria

16. The Council has previously set out the criteria that would be used to assess whether a site warranted LGS designation. These were documented in the Sustainability Appraisal that accompanied the Submitted Local Plan<sup>15</sup>, and were also included in the subsequent report on the targeted consultation with land owners<sup>16</sup>.
17. The Council had considered it had carried out an appropriate form of assessment for the sites included in the submitted Local Plan for this new form of designation. However, responding constructively to the Inspectors' Interim Findings and the changes they have advised are necessary to make the plan sound, the Council has reviewed the criteria to enable them to be applied in a more stringent manner. This sets a higher bar that ensures a focus on identifying sites which are 'demonstrably special' to a local community and of a 'particular local significance'.

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<sup>14</sup> RD/NP/010, paragraphs 76-78.

<sup>15</sup> Draft Final Sustainability Appraisal (RD/Sub/SC/060), Annex A, [Appendix 5: Evidence Paper for Local Green Spaces \(LGS\) and Protected Village Amenity Areas \(PVAA\)](#)

<sup>16</sup> South Cambridgeshire Local Plan – Targeted Consultation with Landowners of Local Green Space (RD/NE/240) - Report: [https://www.scambs.gov.uk/sites/default/files/a\\_rd-ne-240\\_lgs\\_report.pdf](https://www.scambs.gov.uk/sites/default/files/a_rd-ne-240_lgs_report.pdf)

18. It must be stressed that for the purposes of testing, the review is seeking to identify whether sites are of 'a particular local significance' such that they justify a level of protection consistent with Green Belt. If a site is not considered to pass this test, it is not intended to infer that a site has no value or is not worth of protection for its open character and amenity function, only that it does not pass the 'high bar' set by the criteria necessary to be designated as Local Green Space. The Inspectors are clear that other local designations may be appropriate as addressed at Section C.
19. Sites will also be reviewed to consider where they comprise extensive tracts of land which do not warrant designation consistent with the NPPF and the Inspectors' preliminary findings. In such cases, it would also be appropriate to consider whether there are smaller areas of land within those wider areas which do warrant designation.
20. The table below outlines the NPPF criteria, how they as they were originally applied to the submission plan, and how the review was undertaken.

NPPF Criteria	Original interpretation of NPPF	Reviewed criteria
1. The green area must be demonstrably special to a local community;	Site must pass this criterion to be considered.  Added weight if submitted by Parish Council representing their local community.	As original, plus: Evidence will be reviewed to identify whether there is demonstrable, specific and credible evidence that the site is "special" in the form of holding particular value to a local community.
2 .The green space must hold a particular local significance, for example because of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Its beauty,</li> <li>• Its historic significance,</li> <li>• Its recreational value (including as a playing field),</li> <li>• Tranquillity or</li> <li>• Richness of its wildlife;</li> </ul>	See individual criteria below.	Remains important.  As original, plus: Review each site to identify which, if any, of the example attributes applies to each site (or whether other attributes exist), and specifically review whether it holds a particular local significance by reason of those attributes.
	<u>Beauty</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enhances rural character of village.</li> <li>• Adds to setting of groups of buildings.</li> </ul>	Additional considerations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Whether the site offers long views through or beyond a settlement or views of locally valued landmarks or other features:</li> <li>• Visual attractiveness of the site as a whole</li> </ul> <u>How will particular local significance be identified:</u> Sites which make a particular contribution to the character and

NPPF Criteria	Original interpretation of NPPF	Reviewed criteria
		amenity of the settlement through their beauty.
	<p><u>Historic significance</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Listed building near or on site – setting of said building</li> <li>• Green with war memorial or local asset whose setting needs protecting</li> </ul>	<p>Additional considerations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Whether the site is associated with a historical figure or event</li> <li>• Whether the site has clear associations with an historically important episode in the development of the settlement</li> <li>• Whether there are any, historical events such as a village fete that are regularly held on the site</li> <li>• Village green or other open space where this provides a significant character to the area.</li> </ul> <p><u>How will particular local significance be identified:</u></p> <p>Identification does not seek to duplicate protection provided by Conservation Area or protection provided to the setting of listed buildings. Review will seek to identify specific areas of greenspace with a historic importance of a particular local significance.</p>
	<p><u>Recreational</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Play area</li> <li>• Allotments</li> <li>• Sports fields</li> <li>• Informal grassy area within housing estate.</li> <li>• Relates to an event in village such as a fete.</li> </ul>	<p>Additional considerations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Village Recreation Ground used by the local community for informal and formal recreation.</li> <li>• Sports fields excluding playing fields relating to schools.</li> </ul> <p><u>How will particular local significance be identified:</u></p> <p>Whilst general protection for recreation uses is provided by Policy SC/9, recreational value is a relevant LGS consideration and the assessment will consider whether site has a particular local significance.</p>
	<p><u>Tranquillity</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Near a church, open space with seating and views of village or wider countryside beyond.</li> <li>• Green space that allows for quiet enjoyment.</li> </ul>	<p>Additional considerations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sites need to demonstrate a feeling of remoteness and quiet contemplation for the majority of the site</li> </ul> <p><u>How will particular local significance</u></p>

NPPF Criteria	Original interpretation of NPPF	Reviewed criteria
		<p><u>be identified:</u> Whether the site has a particular local importance because of the tranquillity it offers.</p>
	<p><u>Richness of Wildlife</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provides for biodiversity</li> <li>• Protecting community woodlands, meadows, known protected species.</li> <li>• Not just general presence of wildlife.</li> </ul>	<p>Additional considerations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For a site to meet this criterion there would need to be evidence that it is rich in wildlife such as records, ecological evidence or expert advice.</li> <li>• Site could include veteran trees</li> <li>• Sites already protected through policies in the Local Plan will not need to have duplicated protection. E.g. Sites of Biodiversity (Policy NH/5) – this includes SSSI; County Wildlife Site and Local Nature Reserves.</li> </ul> <p><u>How will particular local significance be identified:</u> Sites already protected through policies in the Local Plan will not need to have duplicated protection. E.g. Sites of Biodiversity (Policy NH/5) – this includes SSSI; County Wildlife Site and Local Nature Reserves.</p> <p>However, there are still other areas of local importance to a village for the wildlife present. This may also be related to the recreation value, with the local significance being the access provided to an area rich in wildlife for the enjoyment and education of the local community.</p>
<p>3 .The green space must be in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves;</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The site needs to relate to a particular village.</li> <li>• It must be either within a village or on edge.</li> <li>• If it is at a distance there should be a public footpath to access it from the village.</li> <li>• Needs to be closest to the parish that has submitted site.</li> </ul>	<p>Additional considerations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Site should be in easy walking distance from the local community it serves.</li> <li>• Site must not be isolated or distant from communities.</li> </ul>
<p>4. The green area must be local in character and not be an extensive tract of</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It cannot be just an area of green grass – must have something else from criterion 2 to meet the tests.</li> </ul>	<p>Additional considerations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Larger areas previously identified will be reviewed to consider whether the whole</li> </ul>

NPPF Criteria	Original interpretation of NPPF	Reviewed criteria
land	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Large fields on the edge of villages have not been designated unless they have an additional reason within criterion 2 for meriting designation.</li> <li>• Extensive areas between settlements have also not been designated - LGS should not be used as a means of creating a green separation/ buffer between villages.</li> </ul>	<p>area warrant designation and demonstrates the qualities identified above.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A site smaller than that proposed as LGS at the Submission Local Plan stage may be considered if the local character or the qualities of the site are demonstrated in respect of a specific part of the site, and upon review are not considered to apply to the larger site.</li> </ul>
5. Most green areas or open space will not be appropriate. Must be consistent with the local planning of sustainable development and complement investment in sufficient homes, jobs and other essential services.	Need to ensure that designation is not over used so that a village ends up with no future space for growth.	<p>Additional considerations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LGS designations are not normally appropriate for sites with existing planning permission/allocated in the Local Plan or Neighbourhood Plan for other uses unless it can be demonstrated that the LGS can be incorporated within the site as part of the development. LGS sites will be reviewed against current permissions.</li> <li>• The decision to designate areas for Local Green Space protection will be based on a balanced approach, considering all relevant criteria and needs within the area.</li> </ul>

## B. Re-Testing the LGS identified in the Submission Local Plan

21. All 172 LGS sites identified in the Submission Local Plan were reviewed to test whether they met the revised criteria. In order to document this process, a new proforma was created and completed for each site.
22. In completing the proforma, information collected and documented previously during the plan making process was used, and new information collected where appropriate or necessary. The review was also informed by the evidence base associated with the development of the LGS policy which includes the following:
  - The review and evidence collected prior to Local Plan submission
  - Results of the targeted landowner consultation carried out in 2014
  - Representations submitted on LGS both from landowners and local residents
  - Written statements for Matter SC4: Natural and Historic Environment, which includes LGS
  - The Inspectors' interim findings.

23. In March 2015 the Planning Portfolio Holder considered the results of the Targeted Landowner Consultation, and agreed to a small number of amendments to the LGS in the submitted plan. These modifications have been taken into account when undertaking the assessments.<sup>17</sup>
24. If it was concluded that a site met the revised LGS criteria, it has been recommended that its status in the submitted Local Plan is retained. Sites that no longer meet the criteria have been reviewed to consider if they merit designation as PVAA or ICF and recommendations made to either delete the LGS or delete it and replace it with an alternative local designation.
25. Consideration has also been given as to whether a smaller element within a site may be more appropriate for consideration as LGS, or where a site has more than one distinct character or function. In such cases the site has been split into smaller parcels of land and each element of the site assessed on a separate proforma.
26. Scoring has used a Red-Amber-Green system to demonstrate how the sites perform against each of the criteria and the overall conclusion:
- **Green** indicates that the site is 'of particular local significance' and meets the NPPF criterion.
  - **Amber** recognises the site contributes towards the criterion, but does not meet the high bar set by the NPPF.
  - **Red** indicates minimal or no contribution towards the criterion.
27. The proforma developed to test each site for LGS is included below:

Site reference NH/12 – xx (xx Hectares)	Name of Site xxxx	Parish xxxx
Is the site already protected by an existing designation in the adopted LDF?		PVAA  ICF
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Protected Village Amenity Area;</li> <li>• Important Countryside Frontage.</li> </ul>	<b>Green</b> <b>Amber</b> <b>Red</b>	<b>Green</b> – site does not have planning permission <b>Amber</b> – if only part of the site has planning permission <b>Red</b> – planning permission for an alternative use  <b>Details:</b>
Is the site <b>local in character and not an extensive tract of land</b>	<b>Green</b> <b>Amber</b> <b>Red</b>	<b>Green</b> – Site related to the village and not extensive. The site is not made up of a variety of different uses/character areas. <b>Amber</b> – Extensive tract of land, but comprises of

<sup>17</sup> Note: the Council submitted one Major Modification (RD/Sub/SC/030) and a small number of Minor Changes (RD/Sub/SC/040) to Local Green Space with the Submission Local Plan in March 2014. These have also been taken into consideration when undertaking the assessments.

<b>Site reference</b> NH/12 – xx (xx Hectares)	<b>Name of Site</b> xxxx	<b>Parish</b> xxxx
		a mix of character areas. <b>Red</b> – Site too large to be considered as one LGS site, as could be considered an extensive tract of land.
Is there a smaller element within the site that should be considered?		<b>Reasons:</b> <b>If yes</b> , map to be produced to indicate the boundaries of each part. Assessment of the parts to be referenced with original site reference number then A, B or C etc.  <b>Reasons:</b>
Is the site in <b>close proximity to the community it serves</b> ?	<b>Green</b> <b>Amber</b> <b>Red</b>	<b>Green</b> – Site considered close to community <b>Amber</b> – Uncertainty about distance/ connectivity to village/ availability of footpath <b>Red</b> – Site considered not to be in close proximity to the community it serves  <b>Reasons:</b>
Was the site submitted for consideration by the Parish Council?	<b>Green</b> <b>Amber</b> <b>Red</b>	<b>Green</b> – Site submitted by Parish Council <b>Amber</b> – Site submitted by a community organisation other than PC within village <b>Red</b> – Site not submitted by Parish Council
How was the site considered through the plan making process?		
Does the site have a particular local significance due to its: <b>Beauty</b>	<b>Green</b> <b>Amber</b> <b>Red</b>	<b>Reasons:</b>
Does the site have a particular local significance due to its: <b>Historical significance</b>	<b>Green</b> <b>Amber</b> <b>Red</b>	<b>Reasons:</b>
Does the site have a particular local significance due to its: <b>Recreational value</b>	<b>Green</b> <b>Amber</b> <b>Red</b>	<b>Reasons:</b>
Does the site have a particular local significance due to its: <b>Tranquillity</b>	<b>Green</b> <b>Amber</b> <b>Red</b>	<b>Reasons:</b>
Does the site have a particular local significance due to its: <b>Richness of wildlife</b>	<b>Green</b> <b>Amber</b> <b>Red</b>	<b>Reasons:</b>
<b>CONCLUSION:</b> Is the site demonstrably special to the local community and of particular local significance, and therefore suitable for designation as LGS?	<b>Green</b> <b>Amber</b> <b>Red</b>	<b>Reasons:</b>
<b>Should the site be recommended for designation as Local Green Space?</b>	<b>Yes / No</b>	



**C. Review whether any sites which are not considered to meet the LGS criteria should be designated as PVAA and ICF**

Review whether any sites which are not considered to meet the LGS criteria warrant designation as Protected Village Amenity Area (PVAA)

28. The objective of the PVAA designation provided by Policy NH/11<sup>18</sup> is to identify land where development will not be permitted if it would have an adverse impact of the character, amenity, tranquillity or function of the village. The policy was introduced into the South Cambridgeshire Development Plan in 2004.
29. Protected Village Amenity Areas (PVAAs) have been designated on sites within village frameworks in order to safeguard those areas of undeveloped land within villages which are important to retain. The character of villages is made up of a blend of buildings and open spaces. Given the pressure for development in the district, the remaining open land in and on the edge of villages is threatened. Some undeveloped land can be built on without harm to the character of the village and can contribute to the full and effective use of land in accordance with national policy, but others are important to maintain the village character and should not be developed. Some of these open spaces are particularly valued and cherished by the local community.
30. Some of the PVAAs have important functions for the village such as allotments, recreation grounds and playing fields whilst others have an important amenity role.
31. The majority of the sites designated with this policy were carried forward from the existing development plan, as it was considered appropriate that protection of these important areas should continue. There were 50 PVAAs previously identified in the adopted Local Development Framework that were proposed to be re-designated as a whole or partly as LGS in the Submission Local Plan. It is appropriate that if any are no longer considered appropriate for LGS, they are reviewed to consider if the sites should revert to PVAA as in the adopted plan.
32. It is also appropriate to consider whether sites no longer considered suitable for LGS warrant identification as new PVAA. As the designation does not apply as a matter of principle to land outside of village frameworks, it is not an alternative option for LGS sites that are not considered to meet the criteria.
33. Each site no longer considered to warrant LGS status will be reviewed using the proforma below. The criteria reflect Policy NH/11 and paragraph 6.40.

Site reference NH/12 – xx (xx Hectares)	Name of Site xxx		Parish xxx
Is the site within the development framework of the village?	<b>Green</b> <b>Red</b>	If Red go to consideration as Important Countryside Frontage	

<sup>18</sup> Policy NH/11: Protected Village Amenity Area, Submission South Cambridgeshire Local Plan, page 121 (RD/Sub/SC/010)

<b>Site reference</b> NH/12 – xx (xx Hectares)	<b>Name of Site</b> xxx		<b>Parish</b> xxx
Is the site undeveloped?	<b>Green</b> <b>Amber</b> <b>Red</b>	<b>Green</b> – site is largely undeveloped, and does not have planning permission for new development which would change this <b>Amber</b> – if only part of the site is developed has planning permission, or if it has as low density of development <b>Red</b> – Already fully developed or planning permission for an alternative use	
	<b>Details:</b> xxx		
Was the site designated in the LDF as a Protected Village Amenity Area?	<b>Yes</b> <b>No</b>	<b>Details:</b> <b>Yes</b> – It has previously been designated as a PVAA <b>No</b> – It has not previously been a PVAA.	
<b>Criteria tests for PVAA</b> Must be GREEN to at least one of the three criteria below.			
<b>Criteria Test 1 for PVAA</b> Is the undeveloped nature of this land important to the function of the village or for this particular part of the village?	<b>Green</b> <b>Amber</b> <b>Red</b>	<b>Details:</b> <b>Green</b> – If the site is a recreation ground, allotment or playing fields or other village amenity <b>Amber</b> – Uncertainty as to the importance of the site in the village. <b>Red</b> – Site does not have an important function in the village	
	<b>Reasons:</b>		
<b>Criteria Test 2 for PVAA</b> Is the undeveloped nature of this land important to the character of the village or for this particular part of the village?	<b>Green</b> <b>Amber</b> <b>Red</b>	<b>Details:</b> <b>Green</b> – Site important to village character <b>Amber</b> - Uncertainty as to the importance of the site in the village. <b>Red</b> – Nature of site not important to village character.	
	<b>Reasons:</b>		
<b>Criteria Test 3 for PVAA</b> Does the undeveloped nature of this land provide a tranquil area where there is a minimum of activity, important to the amenity of the village or for this particular part of the village?	<b>Green</b> <b>Amber</b> <b>Red</b>	<b>Details:</b> <b>Green</b> – Site is tranquil with minimal activity <b>Amber</b> – Uncertain of tranquillity <b>Red</b> – Site not in tranquil location.	
	<b>Reasons:</b>		
<b>CONCLUSION:</b> Does the site warrant designation as PVAA?	<b>Green</b> <b>Red</b>	<b>Reasons:</b> <b>Green</b> – The site meets the test for PVAA designation. <b>Red</b> – The site does not meet the test for PVAA.	
<b>Should the site be recommended for designation as Protected Village Amenity Area?</b>			<b>Yes / No</b>

Review whether any sites which are not considered to meet the LGS criteria warrant designation as an Important Countryside Frontage (ICF)

34. If an area of land identified as an LGS but no longer considered to meet the criteria is outside the development framework, it would not be appropriate to identify as a PVAA as these are only identified within the development framework. However, it would be appropriate to consider whether the area warrants protection as an Important Countryside Frontage (ICF).
35. Policy NH/13<sup>19</sup> states that ICF are defined where land with a strong countryside character either:
  - a. Penetrates or sweeps into the built-up area providing a significant connection between the street scene and the surrounding rural area; or
  - b. Provides an important rural break between two nearby but detached parts of a development framework.
36. Planning permission for development will be refused if it would compromise these purposes. Local Plan Paragraph 6.42 highlights that such land enhances the setting, character and appearance of the village by retaining the sense of connection between the village and its rural origins and surroundings. The frontage where this interface particularly occurs is identified to indicate that the frontage and the open countryside beyond should be kept open and free from development.
37. Whilst in this circumstances we are considering specific sites, it may be that they were identified with a purpose or in an area which better aligns with the ICF designation.
38. Each site no longer considered to warrant LGS status will be reviewed using the proforma below:

Site reference NH/12 – xx (xx Hectares)	Name of Site xxx	Parish xxx
The site is outside of the development framework of the village?	<b>Green</b> <b>Red</b>	<b>Green</b> – Site is outside of development framework. <b>Red</b> –Site is within development framework
Is it land adjacent to the development framework?	<b>Green</b> <b>Red</b>	<b>Green</b> – Land is adjacent to the development framework <b>Red</b> –Site is at a distance from development framework
<b>Criteria tests for ICF</b> Must be GREEN to at least one of the two criteria below.		
<b>Criteria Test 1 for ICF</b> Is the undeveloped nature of this land important to the function of the village or for this particular part of the village?	<b>Green</b> <b>Red</b>	<b>Details:</b> <b>Green</b> – Land is between two nearby but detached parts of the development framework and has strong countryside character. <b>Red</b> –Site is at a distance from any parts of the development

<sup>19</sup> Policy NH/13: Important Countryside Frontages, Submission South Cambridgeshire Local Plan, page 122 (RD/Sub/SC/010)

Site reference NH/12 – xx (xx Hectares)	Name of Site xxx	Parish xxx
		framework.
<p><b>Criteria Test 2 for ICF</b> Is the undeveloped nature of this land important to the character of the village or for this particular part of the village?</p>	<p><b>Green</b> <b>Amber</b> <b>Red</b></p>	<p><b>Details:</b> <b>Green</b> – An ICF could go along an edge of the site to protect its rural character and views of open countryside beyond. <b>Amber</b> – Uncertainty with whether a frontage exists and view merits protection <b>Red</b> – No suitable frontage along the site to protect views or land does not merit protection.</p>
<p><b>CONCLUSION:</b> Does the site warrant designation as ICF?</p>	<p><b>Green</b> <b>Red</b></p>	<p><b>Reasons:</b> <b>Green</b> – The site can be protected by the designation of an ICF. <b>Red</b> – There is no suitable frontage to protect the site.</p>
<p><b>Should the site be recommended for designation as Important Countryside Frontage?</b></p>		<p><b>Yes / No</b></p>

### 3. Results of the Assessment

39. The Council initially considered whether there were any extensive tracts of land which would fail against the NPPF criteria. Some sites were split into smaller parcels where the land had different purposes and/or uses which performed differently against the criteria.
40. The results of the exercise to break down some of the larger LGS sites into constituent parts mean that there are now 196 parcels of land being considered instead of 172.
41. The results of the Council's review of each parcel of land applying the more stringent criteria (outlined in Chapter 2) is presented in a summary table in Appendix 4. Maps of each site are provided in Appendix 5 and detailed proforma in Appendix 6.
42. The assessment criteria have been applied in a stringent manner, reflecting the high bar set by the NPPF and consistent with the Inspectors' preliminary conclusions, in the interests of the soundness of the Local Plan. The LGS in the submitted Local Plan tend to fall in one of several broad categories of site. In carrying out the assessment, and drawing on the Inspectors' findings in relation to specific examples of different types of site where provided, a consistent approach has been taken for the following categories of sites:
  - **Village Greens** – These sites at the heart of the village make significant contributions to the beauty of many villages, and also often have historic connections. Evidence demonstrates that they meet the stringent criteria set out in the NPPF, and continue to warrant LGS status.
  - **Recreation Grounds** - These are typically of particular local significance providing the main recreation or open space resource to a village. The Inspectors' letter includes the example of NH/12-070 Foxton where they conclude that the recreational value provided by a recreation ground would meet the criteria. Evidence demonstrates that they meet the stringent criteria set out in the NPPF, and continue to warrant LGS status.
  - **Allotments** – As the Inspectors noted for site NH/12-057 Meadow Drift, Elsworth, allotments serve a purpose within villages. The Local Plan recognises that they are valued forms of green space. Provision is sought from new developments, and Policy SC/9 seeks to protect against the loss of sites unless specific criteria are met. The Inspectors did not find the Elsworth site demonstrably special in terms of the LGS criteria. Reflecting on this precedent, similar conclusions have been drawn with other allotment sites, and removal of the LGS designation is proposed. As most are outside development frameworks, they are also not suitable for PVAA designation.
  - **Informal recreation in housing areas** – A number of sites comprise amenity land within housing areas offering opportunities for informal play and recreation. Whilst providing amenity to a local area, it could not be concluded, in light of the Inspectors' conclusions for site NH/12-055 Duxford, that they were of particular local significance and

demonstrably special. Some of these were already PVAA in the adopted plan, and the assessment has demonstrated that this designation should be reinstated, reflecting the Inspectors' views on NH/12-144 Butlers Green, Sawston. The majority of such areas that were not previously PVAA are considered to also merit PVAA status. Therefore the plan will still result in an overall increase in protection of this type of space.

- **Woodland / plantations outside villages** – Several villages identified woodland areas outside villages that contributed to the amenity of their communities. However, applying the more stringent review, the proximity of some sites means that some are considered too far from the village to warrant LGS designation.
- **Meadows / fields providing informal access or contributing to village character** – these were the most varied and complex types of site to review. Usage of land varied greatly, from having access via a public right of way, to having no formal public access. Sites also contributed to village character in various ways. The Inspectors' letter addressed three sites of this type (at Bassingbourn, Little Abington, and Fulbourn), and concluded none met the criteria. In Over (sites NH/12-130 and 131), they determined that as area within the village was not demonstrably special, and could not be considered as a valuable landscape in any respect. Through the consultations, communities have expressed the value they place on these areas being open. However, in many cases, it cannot be concluded that the areas themselves are of particular local significance and demonstrably special. In most cases this type of site was outside the development framework, so not suitable for PVAA designation. Some sites however are within frameworks, and contribute to village character and amenity due to their openness or low development density. In such cases designation, or resignation as PVAA is proposed.
- **Cambourne** – Through identifying the areas surrounding Cambourne, with the support of the Parish Council, the Local Plan sought to recognise the integration of open space and countryside into the masterplan of this new settlement. At the Inspectors' request a supplement to the Council's Hearing Statement was submitted which, with the help of the Parish Council, provided further information on the role of different spaces in and around the village. The Inspectors' interim findings consider that the proposed sites would deliver large contiguous tracts of land that would virtually encircle the village. This would conflict with planning Practice Guidance by creating the blanket designation of countryside adjoining settlements, and could be considered a backdoor to creating a Green Belt by any other name. The Council has sought to review whether there are specific areas within Cambourne that warrant individual designation as LGS, and whether some areas would be more appropriately identified as PVAA.<sup>20</sup>

43. As previously outlined (in Chapter 3), as a consequence of this review process there have been some revisions to the Local Green Space site boundaries for the purposes of this review: for example to reflect different

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<sup>20</sup> Consequently site NH/12 – 035 has been split into smaller areas (N/12-035a-NH/12-035g) for consideration on their individual merits.

land uses and/or character, or to reduce an extensive tract of land into smaller areas. Where this has occurred each new area has been given its own unique identifier based on the original ID. For example, site NH/12-035 at Cambourne, which was identified by the Inspectors as being an extensive tract of land, has been split into 7 sub areas which have been referenced NH/12-035a to NH/12-035g. As a result a total of 196 individual sites/parcels were therefore assessed covering the 172 sites proposed as LGS in the submitted Local Plan.

44. Maps (in Appendix 5) show by village all the proposed changes which have been made in relation to the sites identified under Policy NH/12 Local Green Space at all stages through the review of the designation since the Local Plan was submitted in 2014. The base position for each Local Green Space was the site shown on the Proposed Submission Local Plan Policies Map (RD/Sub/SC/020). Each map identifies where sites have been amended, in terms of their designation and/or their site boundaries. The revisions shown on the maps include:
- Proposed Major Modification (March 2014) (RD/Sub/SC/030) (submitted alongside the Local Plan).
  - Proposed Minor Changes (March 2014) (RD/Sub/SC/040) (submitted alongside the Local Plan).
  - Proposed revisions resulting from the targeted consultation with landowners (March 2015) (submitted to the Inspectors in July 2015 (RD/NE/240)).
  - Revisions arising from the review addressed in this report, responding to the Inspectors' interim findings (July 2017).

45. The results of the review are summarised in the table below:

RECOMMENDATION	NUMBER OF SITES	PROPORTION OF SITES
Retain as Local Green Space	82	42%
Return to PVAA	24	12%
New PVAA	43	22%
Return to ICF	4	2%
No longer subject to LGS (and not PVAA or ICF)	43	22%
<b>Total</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>100%</b>

46. The review process has concluded that 82 of the sites assessed are considered to meet the NPPF criteria, and reflect the high bar given to the designation consistent with the Inspectors' conclusions. These sites should retain their status as Local Green Space (LGS), representing 42% of the sites reviewed.
47. Of those that do not warrant LGS it concludes that the majority should either return to Protected Village Amenity Area (PVAA), become new PVAA, or become Important Countryside Frontages, comprising 71 sites, 36% of those reviewed. Therefore 78% of the sites assessed in the review will retain protection as areas important to the character and amenity of the village concerned.

48. The review concludes that 43 sites do not meet the criteria necessary for any of these designations and should become undesignated, comprising 22% of all sites reviewed. However, almost all of those sites lie outside of development frameworks, with only a few exceptions, where most forms of development are not normally permitted.
49. Whilst the number of Local Green Space is proposed to be reduced compared with the Submission Local Plan, by virtue of the conclusions that a significant proportion of sites not justifying LGS should revert to PVAA as in the adopted plan or be designated as new PVAA, the overall level of protection to important spaces being provided by the Local Plan in comparison with the previous plan is being increased.
50. A site by site summary of the outcome of the review in respect of each site is provided in the table below, together with a note of any revisions to the site boundary.

Site Ref. No.	Address	Parish/ Village	Summary of findings (LGS, PVAA, ICF or Not designated)	Notes
1	Land north of Almond Grove,	Bar Hill	PVAA (new)	
2	Land east of Acorn Avenue,	Bar Hill	PVAA (new)	
3	Land north of Appletrees	Bar Hill	PVAA (former)	
4	Village Green	Bar Hill	LGS	
5	Recreation Ground,	Bar Hill	LGS	
6	Land north of Little Meadow,	Bar Hill	PVAA (new)	
7	Land south of Viking Way,	Bar Hill	PVAA (former)	
8	Allotments, south of Saxon Way	Bar Hill	Not designated	
9	Land south of Saxon Way	Bar Hill	LGS	
10	Green areas bordering each side of the perimeter road	Bar Hill	Not designated	
11	Church Close Nature Reserve	Barton	LGS	
12	Hines Close	Barton	PVAA (former)	
13	Elbourn Way South	Bassingbourn	PVAA (new)	
14	Elbourn Way North	Bassingbourn	Not designated	
15	Fortune Way	Bassingbourn	PVAA (new)	
16	The Rouses	Bassingbourn	Not designated	
17	Ford Wood	Bassingbourn	LGS	
18	Recreation Ground	Bassingbourn	LGS	
19a	Hall Close Playground (inside Village Boundary)	Bourn	PVAA (new)	
19b	Hall Close Playground (outside Village Boundary)	Bourn	Not designated	
20	Hall Close Green	Bourn	PVAA (new)	
21	Jubilee Recreation Ground	Bourn	LGS	



22	Camping Close	Bourn	Not designated	Note - this site was previously amended (in March 2015) to include a smaller area close to Bourn Brook.
23	Access to Camping Close	Bourn	Not designated	
24	Recreation Ground	Caldecote	LGS	
25	Land north of Jeavons Lane, north of Monkfield Way,	Cambourne	PVAA (new)	
26	Land south of Jeavons Wood Primary School,	Cambourne	PVAA (new)	
27	Cambourne Recreation Ground, Back Lane,	Cambourne	LGS	
28	Land east of Sterling Way	Cambourne	PVAA (new)	
29	Land east of Sterling way, north of Brace Dein	Cambourne	PVAA (new)	
30	Land north of School Lane, west of Woodfield Lane,	Cambourne	PVAA (new)	
31	Land east of Greenbank,	Cambourne	LGS	
32	Land north of School Lane, west of Broad Street,	Cambourne	LGS	
33	Cambourne Recreation Ground, Back Lane,	Cambourne	LGS	
34	Land north of Great Common Farm, west of Broadway,	Cambourne	Not designated	
35a	Sirius Lake	Cambourne	Not designated	Note - this site was previously amended (in March 2014) to exclude development.
35b	Wamping Willow Lake	Cambourne	Not designated	
35c	Crow Hill (Country Park)	Cambourne	LGS	
35d	Land around the west and north west	Cambourne	Not designated	
35e	Oaks Wood (Eco Park)	Cambourne	LGS	
35f	South of A428	Cambourne	Not designated	
35g	Pitches next to Cambourne Sports Centre	Cambourne	LGS	
36	Honeysuckle Close and Hazel Lane green space,	Cambourne	Not designated	
37	The Old Market Place	Caxton	LGS	
38	Land South of Barton Road	Comberton	PVAA (former)	
39	All Saints Church	Cottenham	LGS	
40	Broad Lane High Street Junction	Cottenham	LGS	
41	Land at Victory Way	Cottenham	PVAA (new)	
42	Cemetery	Cottenham	PVAA (new)	
43	Orchard Close	Cottenham	PVAA (new)	

44	Coolidge Gardens	Cottenham	PVAA (new)	
45	South of Brenda Gautry Way	Cottenham	PVAA (new)	
46	Dunstall Field	Cottenham	PVAA (new)	
47	West of Sovereign Way	Cottenham	PVAA (new)	
48a	Old Recreation Ground	Cottenham	LGS	
48b	Broad Lane Amenity Area	Cottenham	LGS	
49a	Recreation Ground	Cottenham	LGS	
49b	Allotments	Cottenham	Not designated	
50	Land in front of Village College	Cottenham	PVAA (former)	Note - this site was previously amended (in March 2015) to exclude the front gardens of adjacent properties.
51	Fen Reeves Wood	Cottenham	Not designated	
52	Les King Wood	Cottenham	Not designated	
53	Village Green	Cottenham	LGS	
54	Village Green	Dry Drayton	LGS	
55	Greenacres	Duxford	PVAA (new)	
56	End of Mangers Lane	Duxford	PVAA (former)	
57	Allotments	Elsworth	Not designated	
58	Fardells Lane Nature Reserve	Elsworth	LGS	
59	Grass Close	Elsworth	LGS	
60	Glebe Field	Elsworth	PVAA (former)	
61	Grounds of Low Farm	Elsworth	PVAA (former)	
62	Field between Brockley Road and Brook Street,	Elsworth	ICF	
63	Land at south end of Brook Street	Elsworth	Not designated	
64	Land at Fardell's Lane	Elsworth	ICF	
65	Village Green	Eltisley	LGS	
66	Allotments for Labouring Poor	Eltisley	Not designated	
67	Pocket Park	Eltisley	Not designated	
68	Paddock, Ditton Lane at the junction with High Ditch Road,	Fen Ditton	ICF	
69	Village Green	Fen Ditton	LGS	
70a	Recreation Ground	Foxton	LGS	
70b	Allotments	Foxton	Not designated	
71	The Green,	Foxton	LGS	
72	Dovecote Meadow	Foxton	LGS	
73	Green Area on Station Road,	Foxton	PVAA (new)	
74	Field between Cox's Drove, Cow Lane and Land adjacent the Horse Pond	Fulbourn	PVAA (new)	
75	Victorian garden	Fulbourn	LGS	
76a	Log Field	Gamlingay	LGS	

76b	The Horse Paddocks	Gamlingay	Not designated	
76c	Lupin Field	Gamlingay	Not designated	
77	Middle of Magna Close	Great Abington	PVAA (former)	
78	Recreation Ground	Guilden Morden	LGS	
79	The Craft	Guilden Morden	PVAA (former)	
80	Church Meadow	Guilden Morden	PVAA (former)	
81	Land between Swan Lane and Pound Green,	Guilden Morden	Not designated	
82	Pound Green	Guilden Morden	PVAA (new)	
83	Thompsons Meadow	Guilden Morden	PVAA (new)	
84	Play area adjacent to the Church,	Hardwick	Not designated	
85	Recreation ground in Egremont Road,	Hardwick	LGS	
86	Recreation Ground	Harston	LGS	Note - this site boundary was previously amended (in March 2014) to exclude farmland.
87a	Welhouse Meadow	Haslingfield	LGS	
87b	Wood	Haslingfield	LGS	
87c	Village Green	Haslingfield	LGS	
87d	The Manor House	Haslingfield	PVAA (former)	
88	Willow Way Recreation Ground,	Hauxton	LGS	
89	East of New Road	Impington	PVAA (new)	
90	Village Green (opposite the church)	Ickleton	LGS	
91	Driver's Meadow	Ickleton	ICF	
92a	Village Green	Kingston	LGS	
92b	The Green,	Kingston	PVAA (former)	
93	Field Road Green	Kingston	LGS	
94a	Village Orchard	Kingston	LGS	
94b	Rectory Lane	Kingston	PVAA (former)	Note - this site was previously removed from LGS (in March 2015).
95	Playground	Kingston	LGS	
96	Recreation Ground,	Linton	LGS	
97	Village Green (Camping Close),	Linton	LGS	
98	Glebe Land	Linton	PVAA (former)	Note - this site was previously removed from LGS (in March 2015) and reverts back to PVAA.
99	Village Green	Litlington	LGS	

100	St. Peters Hill,	Litlington	LGS	
101	Recreation Ground	Litlington	LGS	
102	Scout Camp Site, Church Lane,	Little Abington	LGS	
103	Bowling Green, High Street,	Little Abington	LGS	
104	Meadows, Bancroft Farm	Little Abington	PVAA (former)	Note - this site was previously amended (in March 2014) to exclude land within the Parish Council-led housing allocation.
105	Camping Close, Camping Field,	Little Shelford	PVAA (former)	
106	Recreation Ground	Little Wilbraham	LGS	
107a	Recreation Ground	Lolworth	LGS	
107b	Allotments	Lolworth	PVAA (former)	
107c	Land at Cuckoo Lane	Lolworth	Not designated	
108	Allotments, The Moor,	Melbourn	Not designated	
109a	New Recreation Ground, The Moor,	Melbourn	LGS	
109b	Millennium Copse, The Moor,	Melbourn	LGS	
110	Old Recreation Ground, The Moor,	Melbourn	LGS	
111	Recreational Green, Armingford Crescent,	Melbourn	PVAA (new)	
112	Recreational Green, Russet Way,	Melbourn	PVAA (new)	
113	Recreational Green and wood, Worcester Way	Melbourn	Not designated	
114	The Cross, High Street,	Melbourn	LGS	
115	Stockbridge Meadows, Dolphin Lane,	Melbourn	LGS	Note - this site was previously amended (in March 2015) to exclude a triangle of land on the southern boundary and include an additional area to the north.
116	Recreational Green, Clear Crescent	Melbourn	PVAA (new)	
117	Play Park, Clear Crescent,	Melbourn	PVAA (new)	
118	Recreational Green, Elm Way,	Melbourn	PVAA (new)	
119	Recreational Green, Beechwood Avenue	Melbourn	PVAA (new)	
120	Recreational Green, Greengage Rise,	Melbourn	PVAA (new)	
121	Recreational Green, Chalkhill Barrow,	Melbourn	PVAA (new)	
122	Land between Worcester Way and Armingford Crescent	Melbourn	Not designated	

123	Recreation Ground,	Meldreth	LGS	
124	Flambards Green,	Meldreth	PVAA (new)	
125	Chapel Orchard,	Orwell	LGS	Note - this site was previously amended (in March 2014) to exclude farmland.
126	Allotments at Fishers Lane,	Orwell	PVAA (new)	Note - this site was previously amended (in March 2014) to exclude farmland.
127	Chapel Orchard Allotments,	Orwell	Not designated	
128	Glebe Field, behind St Andrews Church,	Orwell	Not designated	
129	Recreation Ground, Town Green Road,	Orwell	LGS	
130	Station Road/Turn Lane	Over	Not designated	
131	Land to rear of The Lane	Over	Not designated	
132	Wood behind Pendragon Hill,	Papworth Everard	Not designated	
133	Jubilee Green	Papworth Everard	LGS	
134	Baron's Way Wood	Papworth Everard	PVAA (new)	
135a	Rectory Woods (inside Village Boundary)	Papworth Everard	PVAA (new)	
135b	Rectory Woods (outside Village Boundary)	Papworth Everard	Not designated	
136	Meadow at western end of Church Lane	Papworth Everard	LGS	
137a	Summer's Hill Open Space (inside Village Boundary)	Papworth Everard	PVAA (new)	
137b	Summer's Hill Open Space (outside Village Boundary)	Papworth Everard	Not designated	
138a	Papworth Hall	Papworth Everard	LGS	
138b	Papworth Hall (small finger of land)	Papworth Everard	PVAA (former)	
139	Village Playing Field	Papworth Everard	LGS	
140	Challis Garden, Mill Lane	Sawston	PVAA (new)	
141	The Spike Playing Field, South Terrace	Sawston	Not designated	
142	Mill Lane Recreation Ground	Sawston	LGS	
143	Millennium Copse	Sawston	LGS	Note - this site was previously amended (in March 2015) to exclude land

				within the nursery.
144	Butlers Green	Sawston	PVAA (new)	
145	Spicers' Sports Field	Sawston	LGS	
146	Lynton Way Recreation Ground	Sawston	LGS	
147a	Orchard Park	Sawston	LGS	
147b	Orchard Park allotments	Sawston	PVAA (former)	
148	Deal Grove	Sawston	PVAA (new)	
149	Ransom Strip, Craft Way,	Steeple Morden	Not designated	
150	Recreation Ground, Hay Street,	Steeple Morden	LGS	
151	The Cowslip Meadow,	Steeple Morden	LGS	
152	White Ponds Wood,	Steeple Morden	Not designated	
153	Tween Town Wood,	Steeple Morden	Not designated	
154	Village Green,	Thriplow	LGS	
155	Cricket Pitch	Thriplow	LGS	
156	Recreation Ground,	Thriplow	LGS	
157	The Spinney	Thriplow	PVAA (former)	
158	Open Land, Church Street,	Thriplow	PVAA (former)	
159	Dower House Woodland Area	Thriplow	PVAA (former)	
160	Land adjacent 6 High Street	Toft	LGS	
161	Recreation Ground	Toft	LGS	
162	Small green area immediately to west of G58,	Toft	LGS	
163	Allotments	Toft	Not designated	
164	Village Green	Waterbeach	LGS	
165	The Gault	Waterbeach	LGS	
166	Old Pond Site	Waterbeach	PVAA (new)	
167	Barracks Frontage	Waterbeach	Not designated	Note - this site was deleted (in March 2015) as it forms part of the area allocated for the New Town and will be addressed through the masterplanning process.
168	Coronation Close	Waterbeach	PVAA (new)	
169	School frontage	Waterbeach	PVAA (former)	
170	Recreation Ground / play area,	Whaddon	LGS	
171	Baron's Way Wood	Whittlesford	Not designated	
172	The Lawn	Whittlesford	LGS	

## **4. Implications for development and local communities**

### **Impact of Proposed Changes on Sustainable Development**

51. NPPF paragraph 76 establishes that, 'Identifying land as Local Green Space should therefore be consistent with the local planning of sustainable development and complement investment in sufficient homes, jobs and other essential services'.
52. The identification of LGS and other designation should be seen in the context of a Local Plan development strategy and site allocations that plan to meet objectively assessed development needs until 2031 and beyond. These areas are not needed to meet the development needs of the district. They do not compromise the ability of the Council to deliver sustainable development. On the contrary, protection of sites which are important social and environmental assets contributes to a sustainable development strategy.
53. Sites proposed to be retained as LGS are all capable of enduring beyond the plan period, reflecting their proposed Green Belt like status.
54. Those sites that are proposed to revert to PVAA and ICF as in the adopted plan, or to be designated as new PVAA and ICF will continue to be protected from inappropriate development reflecting their contribution to local amenity as local designations. These designations have served the area well for many years even though they do not carry the additional weight of a Green Belt style policy that the LGS designation introduced by the NPPF will have.
55. The majority of sites that are proposed to have no designation as a result of the review lie outside of development frameworks and therefore by virtue of Policy S/7 of the submitted Local Plan are locations where only development that needs to be located in the countryside, such as agricultural uses, will be permitted. Whilst development frameworks have had little weight in making decisions on planning applications while the Council has been unable to demonstrate a five-year housing land supply, and local communities have faced a significant number of speculative planning applications and a number of developments have been permitted outside development frameworks, once a five-year supply can again be demonstrated the policy will have full weight.

### **Relationship with Neighbourhood Planning**

56. National policy is clear that Local Green Spaces can be designated by Neighbourhood Plans. The same criteria would need to be considered through the neighbourhood planning process. The fact that a site has not been proposed for including in the Local Plan should not rule out consideration through the neighbourhood plan, as there may be opportunities to gather further information regarding the value of a site and the value to that community through the local community engagement process.

## **Relationship with other Designations outside the Local Plan**

57. LGS may only be suitable in specific circumstances where the criteria are met. There are a number of other ways in which land of local importance is recognised outside the development plan as set out below.
- **Community Asset Register**
58. The Localism Act 2011 introduced 'Assets of Community Value'. It is possible to identify land as an Asset of Community Value if its principal use furthers (or has recently furthered) their community's social well-being or social interests (which include cultural, sporting or recreational interests) and is likely to do so in the future. This could include open green spaces, allotments, and a range of other uses. This would trigger the 'community right to bid' if an asset came to be sold. Further information, including how sites can be nominated, can be found on the Council's website: <https://www.scambs.gov.uk/community-right-bid>.
59. The LGS designation is a different designation and guided by different criteria. It is possible for a site not to be considered LGS, but still be considered an asset of community value (and vice-versa).
- **Common Land and Village Greens**
60. Registered land has specific rights of usage associated with it. Anyone can apply to register land as a green if it has been used by local people for lawful sports and pastimes 'as of right' for at least 20 years. The County Council website as details, including an interactive map of designated land: <https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/libraries-leisure-&-culture/arts-green-spaces-&-activities/common-land-town-and-village-greens/>
61. Again, the LGS is a different designation, and subject to different tests.
- **Agreements with Landowners**
62. Where Local Green Space designation is not appropriate, there may be other options that can be investigated. In some instances local communities can purchase important sites to ensure that they remain in community control in perpetuity. It may also be possible for local communities to reach either formal or informal agreements with the owner of the site to ensure access to or across the site for local people (e.g. permissive paths).



## **Appendix 1 Inspectors' Interim Findings Letter**

# LOCAL PLAN EXAMINATIONS CAMBRIDGE CITY and SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE

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Dear Caroline

## **Interim Finding in Respect of Policy NH/12 Local Green Space**

Following the hearing session on 18 January 2017, which included the consideration of 48 of the 172 sites proposed for designation as Local Green Space (LGS) in accordance with Policy NH/12, the Inspector has now carried out a number of site visits as agreed at the hearing. The Inspector has commented as follows:

Policy NH/12 seeks to respond to the requirements of paragraphs 77 and 78 of the National Planning Policy Framework (the Framework).

The paragraphs state that "The Local Green Space designation will not be appropriate for *most* (Inspector's italics) green areas or open space. The designation should only be used:

- where green space is in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves;
- where the green area is *demonstrably special* (Inspector's italics) to the local community and holds a *particular local significance* (Inspector's italics), for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife; and
- where the green area concerned is local in character and is not *an extensive tract of land* (Inspector's italics).

Local policy for managing development within a LGS should be consistent with policy for *Green Belts* (Inspector's italics)".

The Inspector's preliminary comments on each of the sites are set out below (in the order in which they were viewed):

### **LGS Site 016-The Rouses, Bassingbourn**

The site is essentially a fairly large grassed field with an overhead power line running diagonally across it. It is located between two of the other proposed LGS designations (NH/12-017 and 018) and is contiguous with both, but is materially different in character to them. From my observations, there is nothing demonstrably special in

respect of this site which would merit the LGS designation, having regard to the criteria set out above.

**LGS Site NH/12-070-Foxton**

The site comprises a recreation ground and allotment which is well located within the village. The playing field clearly has a recreational value and is served by a pavilion. In my view this recreation area would meet the criteria above although the allotment by contrast would fall short of that objective.

**LGS Site NH/12-055-Duxford**

This site represents a small grass verge within a modest residential cul-de-sac, a feature which is common in many housing estates. It could not, to my mind, be regarded in any way as demonstrably special and therefore fails to satisfy the LGS criteria.

**LGS Site NH/12-144-Butlers Green, Sawston**

The site is a grassed area which separates a number of the dwellings facing onto Mill Lane from the highway. Whilst it has some merit in open space terms, I would have expected that consideration might have been given for possible designation as a Protected Village Amenity Area (PVAA) in the context of Policy NH/11 of the Plan rather than a LGS.

**LGS Site NH/12-104-Meadows, Bancroft Lane, Little Abington**

This is a fairly extensive area of land at Bancroft Farm used as animal pasture and is surrounded by residential development. This site is also referred to in a modification to the Plan as Policy H/1:k- 'Land at Bancroft Farm' in the context of an allocation for housing development. Whilst it would be inappropriate to make any comment at this stage of the examination in respect of the latter regard, I find nothing demonstrably special about the site which would warrant designation as a LGS.

**LGS Site NH/12-074-Field between Cox's Drove, Cow Lane and land adjacent to Horse Pound, Fulbourn**

This is a large parcel of land on the northern fringe of the village which appears largely unkempt and overgrown. I could see nothing demonstrably special that would enable this site to be designated as LGS.

In this regard, I therefore agree with the findings of the Inspector in regard to appeal decision APP/W0530/15/3139730 who commented that he did not consider the site as a valued landscape in Framework terms, or that it satisfies the criteria for LGS designation.

He also commented that LGS designations should not be applied to sites in sustainable locations, which are otherwise unconstrained and well suited for development of (in that case) new homes. He further stated that the guidance in the Planning Policy Guidance (PPG) [Reference ID 37-007-20140306] that LGS designations should not be used in a way that undermines this aim of plan making. I will refer to this consideration again below.

**Sites NH/12-130 and 131-Land to the Rear of The Lane, Over**

These two plots of land are contiguous and are separated by a narrow watercourse. The combined sites are surrounded on all sides by residential development, albeit there is a public right of way (PROW) along the south-east boundary of the sites. Both sites are overgrown and unkempt and are screened from the PROW by vegetation and fencing. From my observations, the sites are not demonstrably special and could not be considered as a valued landscape in any respect. They would not therefore warrant a LGS designation.

### **Site NH/12-057 Meadow Drift, Elsworth**

The site is an allotment situated on the northern fringe of the village. It clearly serves a purpose within the village but could not, to my mind, be regarded as demonstrably special in LGS terms.

In light of the above, the Inspectors have given further consideration to the LGS designations as a whole. The Inspectors clearly recognise that it would not be appropriate or practical to visit all 172 sites. However, they have serious concerns that the Council's assessment of the proposed LGS designations has not been carried out with sufficient rigour nor focussed fully on the stringent criteria set out in the Framework which set a high bar given that LGS sites enjoy the same level of protection as Green Belt land.

The Inspectors are also concerned that, as part of assessment of all of the proposed LGS designations, the Council does not appear to have given consideration as to whether alternative designations in accordance with Policy NH/11: Protected Village Amenity Areas (PVAA) or Policy NH/13: Important Countryside Frontage would be more appropriate in terms of the protection to be afforded to the sites.

Notwithstanding the additional information (SC4/SCDC-Supplement 3) and the Cambourne Master Plan Report (May 1995) provided to the Inspectors as requested following the hearing, they are still of the view that the large contiguous tracts of land identified at Cambourne which virtually encircle the village (particularly NH/12-033 and 035) create a conflict with the 3<sup>rd</sup> bullet point of paragraph 77 of the Framework. Furthermore, the PPG [Reference ID 37-014-20140306] states that "blanket designation of open countryside adjacent to settlements will not be appropriate. In particular, designation should not be proposed as a 'back door' way to try to achieve what would amount to a new area of Green Belt by another name". As above, consideration could be given to possible designation of PVAA.

As a consequence of the above concerns, the Inspectors would now expect the Council to carry out a further more rigorous review of all of the LGS designations taking full account of the matters set out above and the PPG guidance.

I look forward to your response as soon as possible. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

Kind regards

Gloria Alexander

Gloria Alexander  
Programme Officer

## Appendix 2 Local Green Space Background Process and Documents

This appendix outlines the background in terms of the process and documents which informed the development of Policy NH/12: Local Green Space.

### Early stages of plan making

The Council consulted through two rounds of Issues and Options (2012 and 2013) on whether to include a policy on Local Green Spaces (LGS), and which sites to allocate.<sup>21</sup>

- **Issues and Options (2012) (RD/LP/040):**  
<https://www.scams.gov.uk/content/local-plan-historic-consultations>
- **Issues and Options 2 (2013) (RD/LP/050):**  
<https://www.scams.gov.uk/content/issues-options-2-jan-feb-2013>

The consultations asked for comments on all the potential important green spaces included in the consultation documents. As a result of both consultations some 270 sites have been considered for designation as LGS.

The Sustainability Appraisal<sup>22</sup> records how all sites were assessed against a series of criteria derived from the National Planning Policy Framework<sup>23</sup>, and how the criteria were refined following the 2012 consultation.

- **National Planning Policy Framework: (RD/NP/010):**  
<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-planning-policy-framework>
- **Draft Final Sustainability Appraisal (RD/Sub/SC/060):**  
<https://www.scams.gov.uk/content/draft-final-sustainability-appraisal-report-and-habitat-regulations-assessment-screening>
  - **Annex A, Audit Tables** for Chapter 6: Protecting and Enhancing the Natural Environment. – This section sets out why a policy was included for both Protected Village Amenity Areas and for LGS (see pages A438 – A483) [Audit table for Chapter 6](#)
  - **Annex A, Appendix 5** is an evidence paper for LGS and Protected Village Amenity Areas (PVAA) which explains how sites were proposed during consultations for consideration as LGS; the method used to

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<sup>21</sup> Issues and Options (2012) Question 38: Should the Local Plan identify any open spaces as Local Green Space and if so, what areas should be identified, including areas that may already be identified as Protected Village Amenity Areas? (RD/LP/040)

Issues and Options 2 (2013) Question 12: Which of the potential Green Spaces do you support or object to and why? (RD/LP/050)

60 sites were included in the Issues and Options 2 (2013) consultation for consideration as LGS. A further 9 were identified as Parish Council proposed important green spaces as these sites submitted by the Parish Councils did not meet the criteria tests for LGS.

<sup>22</sup> Draft Final Sustainability Appraisal (March 2014), Annex A – Audit Trail, 6: Protecting and Enhancing the Natural and Historic Environment, pages A438-A483 and Draft Final Sustainability Appraisal (March 2014), Annex A Appendix 5: Evidence paper for LGS and PVAA. (RD/Sub/SC/060)

<sup>23</sup> RD/NP/010

assess them; the interpretation of the LGS criteria from the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and a schedule recording the assessment village by village of all the sites for their suitability as LGS. This evidence paper is in the Draft Final Sustainability Appraisal (RD/Sub/SC/060), Annex A, [Appendix 5: Evidence Paper for Local Green Spaces \(LGS\) and Protected Village Amenity Areas \(PVAA\)](#)

As a result of the assessment process the Council included 172 Local Green Spaces within the Proposed Submission Local Plan (2013)<sup>24</sup>.

- **Proposed Submission Local Plan (2013) (RD/Sub/SC/010):**  
[https://www.scams.gov.uk/sites/default/files/documents/Proposed%20Submission%20Local%20Plan%20%28for%20website%29\\_0.pdf](https://www.scams.gov.uk/sites/default/files/documents/Proposed%20Submission%20Local%20Plan%20%28for%20website%29_0.pdf)
- **Proposed Submission Local Plan Policies Map (2013) (RD/Sub/SC/020):**  
<https://www.scams.gov.uk/content/proposed-submission-policies-map>

A large number of comments were received (424), of which 395 were in support and 29 objections. In most cases no new issues were raised that affected the assessment of the sites so the Council remained of the opinion that these site designations should remain in the plan.

### Submitted Local Plan

The Local Plan, together with a limited number of proposed changes<sup>25</sup>, was subsequently submitted to the Secretary of State in March 2014.

- **Proposed Submission Local Plan (2013) (RD/Sub/SC/010):**  
[https://www.scams.gov.uk/sites/default/files/documents/Proposed%20Submission%20Local%20Plan%20%28for%20website%29\\_0.pdf](https://www.scams.gov.uk/sites/default/files/documents/Proposed%20Submission%20Local%20Plan%20%28for%20website%29_0.pdf)
- **Proposed Submission Local Plan Policies Map (2013) (RD/Sub/SC/020):**  
<https://www.scams.gov.uk/content/proposed-submission-policies-map>
- **Schedules of Proposed major modifications (RD/Sub/SC/030) and proposed minor changes (RD/Sub/SC/040):**  
<https://www.scams.gov.uk/major-modifications-and-minor-changes>

### Following Submission of the Local Plan

In the same month as the Local Plan was being submitted for examination the Government published the National Planning Practice Guidance<sup>26</sup> (NPPG) which

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<sup>24</sup> RD/Sub/SC/010

<sup>25</sup> RD/Sub/SC/030 and RD/Sub/SC/040. Modifications responded to objections received to the Proposed Submission Local Plan consultation and resulted in refinements to the boundaries of sites. Minor changes: Orwell – Chapel Orchard by the Methodist Church, Orwell – Fishers Lane allotments, Harston – Recreation Ground and orchard (to remove farmland / Green Belt) Major modification to delete housing allocation at Bancroft Farm, Church Lane, Little Abington from a larger LGS.

<sup>26</sup> RD/NP/020

included more advice on LGS. It indicates that landowners should be contacted at an early stage about proposals to designate any part of their land as LGS<sup>27</sup>.

- **National Planning Practice Guidance (RD/NP/020) – Local Green Space designation:** <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/open-space-sports-and-recreation-facilities-public-rights-of-way-and-local-green-space#Local-Green-Space-designation>

Although landowners had the opportunity to comment through the earlier consultations, the Inspectors endorsed a targeted consultation with landowners, which was undertaken in October 2014.

A report about the targeted consultation with landowners was considered and agreed by the Planning Portfolio Holder on 10 March 2015 and the findings of the consultation reported to the Inspectors in July 2016.<sup>28</sup>

- **South Cambridgeshire Local Plan – Targeted Consultation with Landowners of Local Green Space (July 2016) (RD/NE/240):** [https://www.scambs.gov.uk/sites/default/files/a.\\_rd-ne-240\\_lgs\\_report.pdf](https://www.scambs.gov.uk/sites/default/files/a._rd-ne-240_lgs_report.pdf)
  - **Appendix 1** contains village maps showing the location of each LGS within the district. Each LGS has a reference number which is shown on the relevant village map.  
Bar Hill to Guilden Morden -  
[https://www.scambs.gov.uk/sites/default/files/b.\\_rd-ne-240\\_lgs\\_appendix\\_1\\_bar\\_hill\\_to\\_guilden\\_morden.pdf](https://www.scambs.gov.uk/sites/default/files/b._rd-ne-240_lgs_appendix_1_bar_hill_to_guilden_morden.pdf)  
  
Hardwick to Whaddon -  
[https://www.scambs.gov.uk/sites/default/files/b.\\_rd-ne-240\\_lgs\\_appendix\\_1\\_hardwick\\_to\\_whaddon.pdf](https://www.scambs.gov.uk/sites/default/files/b._rd-ne-240_lgs_appendix_1_hardwick_to_whaddon.pdf)
  - **Appendix 2** outlines the results of the consultation that was carried out with the owners of the land proposed as LGS. This took place after the Council had submitted the Local Plan for examination. A report about this consultation was considered by the Planning Portfolio Holder in March 2015 and resulted in some changes being proposed to LGS.
    - Planning Portfolio Holder Report - link to the report and its appendices  
<http://scambs.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=1059&MId=6527&Ver=4>
      - Appendices to this report  
Appendix A – The criteria for assessing LGS  
Appendix B – List of Local Green Space proposed in the Submission Local Plan  
Appendix C - Summary of representations received during 2014 consultation.  
Appendix D – Schedule of sites where objections received during 2014 consultation.  
Appendix E – Maps of LGS where changes are proposed.

<sup>27</sup> Paragraph 018 (Reference ID: 37-018-20140306) Revision date: 06 03 2014 (RD/NP/020)

<sup>28</sup> RD/NE/240

As a result of the consultation the Council proposed changes to 7 sites, largely resulting in amendments to the boundaries of sites, and one site (at Waterbeach) has been deleted in its entirety.<sup>29</sup>

### **Local Plan Examination Hearings**

Objections to the Local Green Spaces were considered in the Local Plan Examination hearing into Matter SC4: Protecting and Enhancing the Natural and Historic Environment on 18 January 2017.<sup>30</sup>

Before the Local Plan hearing took place a written statement was submitted by South Cambridgeshire District Council responding to questions from the Inspectors examining the Local Plan. These questions were about each of the LGS sites where objections had been received. Other respondents who appeared at the subsequent hearing also submitted statements.

These statements can be found on the Examination page of the South Cambs website under Matter SC/4:

- **South Cambridgeshire Local Plan Examination – Matter SC4: Protecting and Enhancing the Natural and Historic Environment:**  
<https://www.scambs.gov.uk/content/examination-written-statement-matter-sc4>

### **Inspectors' Interim Findings**

Since the hearing for Matter SC4 the Inspectors have sent a letter to the Council outlining their interim findings and giving their preliminary comments on a number of LGS sites.

- **Letter from the Inspectors to South Cambridgeshire District Council regarding Interim Finding in Respect of Policy NH/12 Local Green Space (16 March 2017) (RD/GEN/420):**  
[https://www.scambs.gov.uk/sites/default/files/letter\\_from\\_inspectors\\_re\\_interim\\_findings\\_policy\\_nh12\\_lgs\\_rd-gen-420.pdf](https://www.scambs.gov.uk/sites/default/files/letter_from_inspectors_re_interim_findings_policy_nh12_lgs_rd-gen-420.pdf)

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<sup>29</sup> The 7 changes are summarised in paragraph 17 and set out in detail in Appendix 2 (RD/NE/240)

<sup>30</sup> The Examination hearings Programme, Matters and Issues and Written Statements can be viewed: <https://www.scambs.gov.uk/local-plan-examination>



## **Appendix 3 Extracts From National Planning Policy**

### **National Planning Policy Framework**

76. Local communities through local and neighbourhood plans should be able to identify for special protection green areas of particular importance to them. By designating land as Local Green Space local communities will be able to rule out new development other than in very special circumstances. Identifying land as Local Green Space should therefore be consistent with the local planning of sustainable development and complement investment in sufficient homes, jobs and other essential services. Local Green Spaces should only be designated when a plan is prepared or reviewed, and be capable of enduring beyond the end of the plan period.

77. The Local Green Space designation will not be appropriate for most green areas or open space. The designation should only be used:

- where the green space is in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves;
- where the green area is demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular local significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of its wildlife; and
- where the green area concerned is local in character and is not an extensive tract of land.

78. Local policy for managing development within a Local Green Space should be consistent with policy for Green Belts.

### **National Planning Practice Guidance**

#### **What is Local Green Space designation?**

Local Green Space designation is a way to provide special protection against development for green areas of particular importance to local communities.

Paragraph: 005 Reference ID: 37-005-20140306

Revision date: 06 03 2014

#### **How is land designated as Local Green Space?**

Local Green Space designation is for use in [Local Plans](#) or [Neighbourhood Plans](#). These plans can identify on a map ('designate') green areas for special protection. Anyone who wants an area to be designated as Local Green Space should contact the local planning authority about the contents of its local plan or get involved in neighbourhood planning.

Paragraph: 006 Reference ID: 37-006-20140306

Revision date: 06 03 2014

### **How does Local Green Space designation relate to development?**

Designating any Local Green Space will need to be consistent with local planning for sustainable development in the area. In particular, plans must identify sufficient land in suitable locations to meet identified development needs and the Local Green Space designation should not be used in a way that undermines this aim of plan making.

Paragraph: 007 Reference ID: 37-007-20140306

Revision date: 06 03 2014

### **What if land has planning permission for development?**

Local Green Space designation will rarely be appropriate where the land has planning permission for development. Exceptions could be where the development would be compatible with the reasons for designation or where planning permission is no longer capable of being implemented.

Paragraph: 008 Reference ID: 37-008-20140306

Revision date: 06 03 2014

### **Can all communities benefit from Local Green Space?**

Local Green Spaces may be designated where those spaces are demonstrably special to the local community, whether in a village or in a neighbourhood in a town or city.

Paragraph: 009 Reference ID: 37-009-20140306

Revision date: 06 03 2014

### **What if land is already protected by Green Belt or as Metropolitan Open Land (in London)?**

If land is already protected by Green Belt policy, or in London, policy on Metropolitan Open Land, then consideration should be given to whether any additional local benefit would be gained by designation as Local Green Space.

One potential benefit in areas where protection from development is the norm (eg villages included in the green belt) but where there could be exceptions is that the Local Green Space designation could help to identify areas that are of particular importance to the local community.

Paragraph: 010 Reference ID: 37-010-20140306

Revision date: 06 03 2014

### **What if land is already protected by designations such as National Park, Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, Site of Special Scientific Interest, Scheduled Monument or conservation area?**

Different types of designations are intended to achieve different purposes. If land is already protected by designation, then consideration should be given to whether any additional local benefit would be gained by designation as Local Green Space.

Paragraph: 011 Reference ID: 37-011-20140306

Revision date: 06 03 2014

### **What about new communities?**

New residential areas may include green areas that were planned as part of the development. Such green areas could be designated as Local Green Space if they are demonstrably special and hold particular local significance.

Paragraph: 012 Reference ID: 37-012-20140306

Revision date: 06 03 2014

### **What types of green area can be identified as Local Green Space?**

The green area will need to meet the criteria set out in [paragraph 77](#) of the National Planning Policy Framework. Whether to designate land is a matter for local discretion. For example, green areas could include land where sports pavilions, boating lakes or structures such as war memorials are located, allotments, or urban spaces that provide a tranquil oasis.

Paragraph: 013 Reference ID: 37-013-20140306

Revision date: 06 03 2014

### **How close does a Local Green Space need to be to the community it serves?**

The proximity of a Local Green Space to the community it serves will depend on local circumstances, including why the green area is seen as special, but it must be reasonably close. For example, if public access is a key factor, then the site would normally be within easy walking distance of the community served.

Paragraph: 014 Reference ID: 37-014-20140306

Revision date: 06 03 2014

### **How big can a Local Green Space be?**

There are no hard and fast rules about how big a Local Green Space can be because places are different and a degree of judgment will inevitably be needed. However, [paragraph 77](#) of the National Planning Policy Framework is clear that Local Green Space designation should only be used where the green area concerned is not an extensive tract of land. Consequently blanket designation of open countryside adjacent to settlements will not be appropriate. In particular, designation should not be proposed as a 'back door' way to try to achieve what would amount to a new area of Green Belt by another name.

Paragraph: 015 Reference ID: 37-015-20140306

Revision date: 06 03 2014

### **Is there a minimum area?**

Provided land can meet the criteria at [paragraph 77](#) of the National Planning Policy Framework there is no lower size limit for a Local Green Space.

Paragraph: 016 Reference ID: 37-016-20140306

Revision date: 06 03 2014

### **What about public access?**

Some areas that may be considered for designation as Local Green Space may already have largely unrestricted public access, though even in places like parks there may be some restrictions. However, other land could be considered for designation even if there is no public access (eg green areas which are valued because of their wildlife, historic significance and/or beauty).

Designation does not in itself confer any rights of public access over what exists at present. Any additional access would be a matter for separate negotiation with land owners, whose legal rights must be respected.

Paragraph: 017 Reference ID: 37-017-20140306

Revision date: 06 03 2014

### **What about public rights of way?**

Areas that may be considered for designation as Local Green Space may be crossed by [public rights of way](#). There is no need to designate linear corridors as Local Green Space simply to protect rights of way, which are already protected under other legislation.

Paragraph: 018 Reference ID: 37-018-20140306

Revision date: 06 03 2014

### **Does land need to be in public ownership?**

A Local Green Space does not need to be in public ownership. However, the local planning authority (in the case of local plan making) or the qualifying body (in the case of neighbourhood plan making) should contact landowners at an early stage about proposals to designate any part of their land as Local Green Space. Landowners will have opportunities to make representations in respect of proposals in a draft plan.

Paragraph: 019 Reference ID: 37-019-20140306

Revision date: 06 03 2014

### **Would designation place any restrictions or obligations on landowners?**

Designating a green area as Local Green Space would give it protection consistent with that in respect of Green Belt, but otherwise there are no new restrictions or obligations on landowners.

Paragraph: 020 Reference ID: 37-020-20140306

Revision date: 06 03 2014

### **Who will manage Local Green Space?**

Management of land designated as Local Green Space will remain the responsibility of its owner. If the features that make a green area special and locally significant are to be conserved, how it will be managed in the future is likely to be an important consideration. Local communities can consider how, with the landowner's agreement, they might be able to get involved, perhaps in partnership with interested organisations that can provide advice or resources.

Paragraph: 021 Reference ID: 37-021-20140306  
Revision date: 06 03 2014

**Can a Local Green Space be registered as an Asset of Community Value?**

Land designated as Local Green Space may potentially also be nominated for listing by the local authority as an [Asset of Community Value](#). Listing gives community interest groups an opportunity to bid if the owner wants to dispose of the land.

Related policy: [paragraphs 76-78](#)

Paragraph: 022 Reference ID: 37-022-20140306  
Revision date: 06 03 2014

## **Appendix 4 Summary Results of LGS Review**

The following summary table illustrates at a glance how each site performed against each of the LGS criteria.

Where a site failed to meet the criteria for LGS the table also shows the results of the PVAA and/or ICF assessment.

Site Details					LCS Assessment						PVAA Assessment					ICF Assessment			
No.	Address	Parish/Village	Beauty	Historical Significance	Recreational Value	Tranquility	Richness of wildlife	Designate?	Function	Character	Tranquility	Designate?	Outside the development framework	Adjacent to the development framework?	Proceed to assessment?	Important rural break?	Significant connection (street v rural)	Designate?	
1	Land north of Almond Grove	Bar Hill	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
2	Land east of Acorn Avenue	Bar Hill	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
3	Land north of Appletrees	Bar Hill	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
4	Village Green	Bar Hill	Amber	Red	Green	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
5	Recreation Ground	Bar Hill	Amber	Red	Green	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Red	Red	Yes							
6	Land north of Little Meadow	Bar Hill	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
7	Land south of Viking Way	Bar Hill	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
8	Allotments, south of Saxon Way	Bar Hill	Red	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes				Amber	Green	No	
9	Land south of Saxon Way	Bar Hill	Green	Red	Green	Green	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes				Green	Green	No	
10	Green areas bordering each side of the perimeter roac	Bar Hill	Amber	Red	Red	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes				Red	Green	No	
11	Church Close Nature Reserve	Barton	Green	Red	Amber	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
12	Hines Close	Barton	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
13	Elbourn Way South	Bassingbourn	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
14	Elbourn Way North	Bassingbourn	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
15	Fortune Way	Bassingbourn	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
16	The Rouses	Bassingbourn	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
17	Ford Wood	Bassingbourn	Green	Red	Green	Green	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
18	Recreation Ground	Bassingbourn	Amber	Red	Green	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Amber	Green	Yes							
19a	Hill Close Playground (inside Village Boundary)	Bourn	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Amber	Amber	Amber	No							
19b	Hill Close Playground (outside Village Boundary)	Bourn	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Amber	Amber	Amber	No							
20	Hill Close Green	Bourn	Amber	Red	Green	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes							
21	Jubilee Recreation Ground	Bourn	Amber	Red	Green	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
22	Camping Close	Bourn	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
23	Access to Camping Close	Bourn	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
24	Recreation Ground	Caldecote	Amber	Red	Green	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
25	Land north of Jeavons Lane, north of Monkfield Way	Cambourne	Amber	Red	Red	Red	Amber	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
26	Land south of Jeavons Wood Primary School	Cambourne	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Amber	No	Green	Green	Amber	Yes							
27	Cambourne Recreation Ground, Back Lane	Cambourne	Amber	Red	Green	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
28	Land east of Sterling Way	Cambourne	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
29	Land east of Sterling way, north of Brace Deir	Cambourne	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
30	Land north of School Lane, west of Woodfield Lane	Cambourne	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
31	Land east of Greenbank	Cambourne	Green	Red	Amber	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
32	Land north of School Lane, west of Broad Street	Cambourne	Green	Red	Green	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
33	Cambourne Recreation Ground, Back Lane	Cambourne	Red	Red	Green	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Amber	No							
34	Land north of Green Common Farm, west of Broadway	Cambourne	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Amber	No							
35	Sirius Lake	Cambourne	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Amber	No	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
36	Warming Willow Lake	Cambourne	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Amber	No	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
37	Crow Hill (Country Park)	Cambourne	Green	Red	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
38	Land around the west and north west	Cambourne	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
39	Oaks Wood (Eco Park)	Cambourne	Green	Red	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
35f	South of A428	Cambourne	Red	Red	Green	Red	Amber	No	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
35g	Pitches next to Cambourne Sports Centre	Cambourne	Red	Red	Green	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
36	Honeysuckle Close and Hazel Lane green space	Cambourne	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Amber	No	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
37	The Old Market Place	Caxton	Green	Red	Amber	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
38	Land South of Barton Road	Comberton	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Amber	No	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
39	All Saints Church	Cottenham	Green	Green	Amber	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
40	Broad Lane High Street Junction	Cottenham	Green	Amber	Amber	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
41	Land at Victory Way	Cottenham	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Amber	Yes							
42	Cemetery	Cottenham	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Amber	No	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
43	Orchard Close	Cottenham	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
44	Coolidge Gardens	Cottenham	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
45	South of Brenda Gaurty Way	Cottenham	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Amber	Yes							
46	Dunstall Field	Cottenham	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
47	West of Sovereign Way	Cottenham	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Amber	Yes							
48a	Old Recreation Ground	Cottenham	Amber	Red	Green	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Amber	Yes							
48b	Broad Lane Amenity Area	Cottenham	Green	Red	Green	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
49a	Recreation Ground	Cottenham	Amber	Red	Green	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
49b	Allotments	Cottenham	Red	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
50	Land in front of Village College	Cottenham	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
51	Fen Reeves Wood	Cottenham	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
52	Les King Wood	Cottenham	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
53	Village Green	Cottenham	Green	Amber	Amber	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
54	Dry Drayton	Cottenham	Green	Amber	Amber	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Amber	Yes							
55	Greenacres	Cottenham	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Amber	Yes							
56	End of Mangers Lane	Cottenham	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Amber	Yes							
57	Allotments	Cottenham	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Amber	Yes							
58	Fardells Lane Nature Reserve	Cottenham	Green	Amber	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
59	Grass Close	Cottenham	Red	Amber	Green	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Amber	Yes							
60	Glebe Field	Cottenham	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Amber	Yes							
61	Grounds of Low Farm	Cottenham	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Amber	Yes							
62	Field between Brockley Road and Brook Street	Cottenham	Amber	Red	Red	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
63	Land at south end of Brook Street	Cottenham	Amber	Red	Red	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
64	Land at Fardell's Lane	Cottenham	Amber	Red	Red	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
65	Village Green	Cottenham	Green	Amber	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes							
66	Allotments for Labouring Poor	Cottenham	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							
67	Pocket Park	Cottenham	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	Yes							

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68	Paddock, Diton Lane at the junction with High Ditch Road	Fen Ditton	Amber	Amber	Red	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Red	No	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes															
69	Village Green	Fen Ditton	Green	Amber	Red	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Red	No	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Green	No															
70a	Recreation Ground	Foxton	Green	Amber	Green	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Red	No	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Green	No															
70b	Allotments	Foxton	Red	Amber	Red	Red	Red	No	Green	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
71	The Green	Foxton	Green	Green	Red	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	No	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	No															
72	Dovecote Meadow	Foxton	Green	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Amber	Amber	No	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	No															
73	Green Area on Station Road	Foxton	Amber	Amber	Red	Red	Red	No	Green	Amber	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Green	No															
74	Field between Cox's Dove, Cow Lane and Land adjacent to the Horse Pond	Fulbourn	Amber	Amber	Red	Red	Red	No	Green	Green	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
75	Victorian garden	Fulbourn	Amber	Green	Red	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Red	No	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
76a	Log Field	Gamlingay	Green	Red	Amber	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
76b	The Horse Paddocks	Gamlingay	Amber	Red	Red	Red	Red	No	Green	Amber	Red	No	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
76c	Lupin Field	Gamlingay	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	No	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
77	Middle of Magna Close	Great Abington	Amber	Red	Red	Red	Red	No	Green	Amber	Red	No	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	No															
78	Recreation Ground	Guiden Morden	Amber	Red	Green	Amber	Red	Yes	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
79	The Craft	Guiden Morden	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	No	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
80	Church Meadow	Guiden Morden	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	No	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
81	Land between Swan Lane and Pound Greer	Guiden Morden	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	No	Green	Amber	Amber	No	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
82	Pound Green	Guiden Morden	Amber	Amber	Red	Red	Red	No	Green	Amber	Red	No	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
83	Thompsons Meadow	Guiden Morden	Amber	Red	Red	Red	Red	No	Green	Amber	Red	No	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
84	Play area adjacent to the Church	Hardwick	Amber	Amber	Red	Red	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	No	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
85	Recreation ground in Egremont Road	Hardwick	Amber	Red	Green	Amber	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
86	Recreation Ground	Harston	Amber	Red	Green	Amber	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
87a	Wellhouse Meadow	Haslingfield	Green	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
87d	The Manor House	Haslingfield	Green	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	No	Amber	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
88	Willow Way Recreation Ground	Hauxton	Green	Red	Green	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
89	East of New Road	Impington	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	No	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
90	Village Green (opposite the church)	Ickleton	Green	Green	Amber	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Amber	No	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
91	Driver's Meadow	Ickleton	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Amber	Amber	Amber	No	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes															
92a	Village Green	Kingston	Green	Green	Red	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Red	No	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes															
93	Field Road Green	Kingston	Green	Green	Red	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Red	No	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes															
94a	Village Orchard	Kingston	Green	Amber	Green	Green	Red	Yes	Amber	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes															
94b	Rectory Lane	Kingston	Amber	Amber	Red	Red	Red	No	Amber	Green	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
94c	Playground	Kingston	Red	Red	Green	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
95	Recreation Ground	Linton	Amber	Red	Green	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Amber	No	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
96	Village Green (Camping Close)	Linton	Green	Green	Green	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
97	Glebe Land	Linton	Green	Amber	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
98	Village Green	Litlington	Green	Amber	Amber	Amber	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
99	St. Peters Hill	Litlington	Green	Green	Green	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
100	Recreation Ground	Litlington	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Amber	No	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
101	Recreation Ground	Litlington	Amber	Amber	Green	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
102	Scout Camp Site, Church Lane	Little Abington	Red	Amber	Green	Amber	Red	No	Amber	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
103	Bowling Green, High Street	Little Abington	Amber	Amber	Green	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
104	Meadows, Bancroft Farm	Little Abington	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Amber	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
105	Camping Close, Camping Field	Little Shelford	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Amber	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
106	Recreation Ground	Little Wilbraham	Amber	Red	Green	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Amber	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
107a	Recreation Ground	Lolworth	Amber	Red	Green	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
107b	Allotments	Lolworth	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
107c	Land at Cuckoo Lane	Lolworth	Red	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Amber	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
108	Allotments, The Moor	Meibourne	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
109a	New Recreation Ground, The Moor	Meibourne	Amber	Amber	Green	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
109b	Millennium Copse, The Moor	Meibourne	Amber	Amber	Green	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
110	Old Recreation Ground, The Moor	Meibourne	Amber	Amber	Green	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
111	Recreational Green, Armingford Crescent	Meibourne	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
112	Recreational Green, Russet Way	Meibourne	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
113	Recreational Green and wood, Worcester Way	Meibourne	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
114	The Cross, High Street	Meibourne	Green	Green	Amber	Amber	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
115	Stockbridge Meadows, Dolphin Lane	Meibourne	Green	Red	Amber	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Red	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
116	Recreational Green, Clear Crescent	Meibourne	Red	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Red	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
117	Play Park, Clear Crescent	Meibourne	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Amber	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
118	Recreational Green, Elm Way	Meibourne	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
119	Recreational Green, Beechwood Avenue	Meibourne	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
120	Recreational Green, Greengange Rise	Meibourne	Red	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
121	Recreational Green, Chalkhill Barrow	Meibourne	Red	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
122	Land between Worcester Way and Armingford Crescent	Meibourne	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
123	Recreation Ground	Meldreth	Amber	Amber	Green	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
124	Flambards Green	Meldreth	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
125	Chapel Orchard	Orwell	Green	Green	Red	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
126	Allotments at Fishers Lane	Orwell	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
127	Chapel Orchard Allotments	Orwell	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
128	Glebe Field, behind St Andrews Church	Orwell	Green	Amber	Green	Green	Green	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
129	Recreation Ground, Town Green Road	Orwell	Amber	Red	Green	Amber	Red	Yes	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
130	Station Road/Turn Lane	Orwell	Amber	Red	Red	Red	Red	No	Green	Amber	Red	No	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
131	Land to rear of The Lane	Orwell	Amber	Red	Red	Red	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
132	Wood behind Pendragon Hill	Papworth Everard	Amber	Red	Red	Red	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
133	Jubilee Green	Papworth Everard	Green	Red	Amber	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															
134	Baron's Way Wood	Papworth Everard	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No															



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135a	Rectory Woods (inside Village Boundary)	Papworth Everard	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
135b	Rectory Woods (outside Village Boundary)	Papworth Everard	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
136	Meadow at western end of Church Lane	Papworth Everard	Amber	Green	Amber	Amber	Red	Yes	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
137a	Summer's Hill Open Space (inside Village Boundary)	Papworth Everard	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
137b	Summer's Hill Open Space (outside Village Boundary)	Papworth Everard	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Green	Green	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
138a	Papworth Hall	Papworth Everard	Green	Green	Amber	Amber	Red	Yes	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
138b	Papworth Hall (small finger of land)	Papworth Everard	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
139	Village Playing Field	Papworth Everard	Green	Red	Green	Amber	Red	Yes	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
140	Challis Garden, Mill Lane	Sawston	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
141	The Spike Playing Field, South Terrace	Sawston	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
142	Mill Lane Recreation Ground	Sawston	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Red	Yes	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
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144	Butlers Green	Sawston	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
145	Spicers' Sports Field	Sawston	Amber	Red	Green	Amber	Red	Yes	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
146	Lynon Way Recreation Ground	Sawston	Amber	Red	Green	Amber	Red	Yes	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
147a	Orchard Park	Sawston	Green	Amber	Green	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
147b	Orchard Park allotments	Sawston	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
148	Deal Grove	Sawston	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
149	Ransom Strip, Craft Way	Steeple Morden	Amber	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
150	Recreation Ground, Hay Street	Steeple Morden	Amber	Green	Green	Amber	Red	Yes	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
151	The Cowslip Meadow	Steeple Morden	Green	Amber	Amber	Amber	Red	Yes	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
152	White Ponds Wood	Steeple Morden	Green	Amber	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
153	Tween Town Wood	Steeple Morden	Green	Amber	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
154	Village Green	Thriplow	Green	Green	Red	Red	Red	Yes	Green	Amber	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
155	Cricketer Pitch	Thriplow	Amber	Amber	Green	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
156	Recreation Ground	Thriplow	Amber	Red	Green	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Amber	Red	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
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158	Open Land, Church Street	Thriplow	Amber	Amber	Red	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
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162	Small green area immediately to west of G5E	Toft	Green	Amber	Green	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
163	Allotments	Toft	Green	Amber	Green	Green	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
164	Village Green	Waterbeach	Green	Amber	Amber	Amber	Red	Yes	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
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171	Newton Road Play Area	Whittlesford	Amber	Red	Amber	Amber	Red	No	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No
172	The Lawn	Whittlesford	Green	Amber	Green	Green	Red	Yes	Green	Amber	Amber	Yes	Green	Green	Yes	Red	Red	No

## Appendix 5 Maps of LGS, PVAA and ICF

The maps show all the proposed changes in relation to Policy NH/12 Local Green Space as a result of this review and also incorporating changes proposed at all stages through the review of the designation since the Local Plan was submitted in 2014. The base position for each Local Green Space was the site shown on the Proposed Submission Local Plan Policies Map (RD/Sub/SC/020). Each map identifies where sites have been amended, in terms of their designation and/or their site boundaries. The revisions shown on the maps include:

- Proposed Major Modification (March 2014) (RD/Sub/SC/030).
- Proposed Minor Changes (March 2014) (RD/Sub/SC/040).
- Proposed revisions resulting from the targeted consultation with landowners (March 2015) (submitted to the Inspectors in July 2015 (RD/NE/240)).
- Revisions arising from responding to the Inspectors' interim findings (July 2017).

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Site Ref. No.	Address	Parish/ Village
NH/12-001	Land north of Almond Grove,	Bar Hill
NH/12-002	Land east of Acorn Avenue,	Bar Hill
NH/12-003	Land north of Appletrees	Bar Hill
NH/12-004	Village Green	Bar Hill
NH/12-005	Recreation Ground,	Bar Hill
NH/12-006	Land north of Little Meadow,	Bar Hill
NH/12-007	Land south of Viking Way,	Bar Hill
NH/12-008	Allotments, south of Saxon Way	Bar Hill
NH/12-009	Land south of Saxon Way	Bar Hill
NH/12-010	Green areas bordering each side of the perimeter road	Bar Hill
NH/12-011	Church Close Nature Reserve	Barton
NH/12-012	Hines Close	Barton
NH/12-013	Elbourn Way South	Bassingbourn
NH/12-014	Elbourn Way North	Bassingbourn
NH/12-015	Fortune Way	Bassingbourn
NH/12-016	The Rouses	Bassingbourn
NH/12-017	Ford Wood	Bassingbourn
NH/12-018	Recreation Ground	Bassingbourn
NH/12-019a	Hall Close Playground (inside Village Boundary)	Bourn
NH/12-019b	Hall Close Playground (outside Village Boundary)	Bourn
NH/12-020	Hall Close Green	Bourn
NH/12-021	Jubilee Recreation Ground	Bourn
NH/12-022	Camping Close	Bourn
NH/12-023	Access to Camping Close	Bourn
NH/12-024	Recreation Ground	Caldecote
NH/12-025	Land north of Jeavons Lane, north of Monkfield Way,	Cambourne

NH/12-026	Land south of Jeavons Wood Primary School,	Cambourne
NH/12-027	Cambourne Recreation Ground, Back Lane,	Cambourne
NH/12-028	Land east of Sterling Way	Cambourne
NH/12-029	Land east of Sterling way, north of Brace Dein	Cambourne
NH/12-030	Land north of School Lane, west of Woodfield Lane,	Cambourne
NH/12-031	Land east of Greenbank,	Cambourne
NH/12-032	Land north of School Lane, west of Broad Street,	Cambourne
NH/12-033	Cambourne Recreation Ground, Back Lane,	Cambourne
NH/12-034	Land north of Great Common Farm, west of Broadway,	Cambourne
NH/12-035a	Sirius Lake	Cambourne
NH/12-035b	Wamping Willow Lake	Cambourne
NH/12-035c	Crow Hill (Country Park)	Cambourne
NH/12-035d	Land around the west and north west	Cambourne
NH/12-035e	Oaks Wood (Eco Park)	Cambourne
NH/12-035f	South of A428	Cambourne
NH/12-035g	Pitches next to Cambourne Sports Centre	Cambourne
NH/12-036	Honeysuckle Close and Hazel Lane green space,	Cambourne
NH/12-037	The Old Market Place	Caxton
NH/12-038	Land South of Barton Road	Comberton
NH/12-039	All Saints Church	Cottenham
NH/12-040	Broad Lane High Street Junction	Cottenham
NH/12-041	Land at Victory Way	Cottenham
NH/12-042	Cemetery	Cottenham
NH/12-043	Orchard Close	Cottenham
NH/12-044	Coolidge Gardens	Cottenham
NH/12-045	South of Brenda Gautry Way	Cottenham
NH/12-046	Dunstall Field	Cottenham
NH/12-047	West of Sovereign Way	Cottenham
NH/12-048a	Old Recreation Ground	Cottenham
NH/12-048b	Broad Lane Amenity Area	Cottenham
NH/12-049a	Recreation Ground	Cottenham
NH/12-049b	Allotments	Cottenham
NH/12-050	Land in front of Village College	Cottenham
NH/12-051	Fen Reeves Wood	Cottenham
NH/12-052	Les King Wood	Cottenham
NH/12-053	Village Green	Cottenham
NH/12-054	Village Green	Dry Drayton
NH/12-055	Greenacres	Duxford
NH/12-056	End of Mangers Lane	Duxford
NH/12-057	Allotments	Elsworth
NH/12-058	Fardells Lane Nature Reserve	Elsworth

NH/12-059	Grass Close	Elsworth
NH/12-060	Glebe Field	Elsworth
NH/12-061	Grounds of Low Farm	Elsworth
NH/12-062	Field between Brockley Road and Brook Street,	Elsworth
NH/12-063	Land at south end of Brook Street	Elsworth
NH/12-064	Land at Fardell's Lane	Elsworth
NH/12-065	Village Green	Eltisley
NH/12-066	Allotments for Labouring Poor	Eltisley
NH/12-067	Pocket Park	Eltisley
NH/12-068	Paddock, Ditton Lane at the junction with High Ditch Road,	Fen Ditton
NH/12-069	Village Green	Fen Ditton
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NH/12-071	The Green,	Foxtton
NH/12-072	Dovecote Meadow	Foxtton
NH/12-073	Green Area on Station Road,	Foxtton
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NH/12-075	Victorian garden	Fulbourn
NH/12-076a	Log Field	Gamlingay
NH/12-076b	The Horse Paddocks	Gamlingay
NH/12-076c	Lupin Field	Gamlingay
NH/12-077	Middle of Magna Close	Great Abington
NH/12-078	Recreation Ground	Guilden Morden
NH/12-079	The Craft	Guilden Morden
NH/12-080	Church Meadow	Guilden Morden
NH/12-081	Land between Swan Lane and Pound Green,	Guilden Morden
NH/12-082	Pound Green	Guilden Morden
NH/12-083	Thompsons Meadow	Guilden Morden
NH/12-084	Play area adjacent to the Church,	Hardwick
NH/12-085	Recreation ground in Egremont Road,	Hardwick
NH/12-086	Recreation Ground	Harston
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NH/12-087b	Wood	Haslingfield
NH/12-087c	Village Green	Haslingfield
NH/12-087d	The Manor House	Haslingfield
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NH/12-091	Driver's Meadow	Ickleton
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NH/12-092b	The Green,	Kingston
NH/12-093	Field Road Green	Kingston
NH/12-094a	Village Orchard	Kingston

NH/12-094b	Rectory Lane	Kingston
NH/12-095	Playground	Kingston
NH/12-096	Recreation Ground,	Linton
NH/12-097	Village Green (Camping Close),	Linton
NH/12-098	Glebe Land	Linton
NH/12-099	Village Green	Litlington
NH/12-100	St. Peters Hill,	Litlington
NH/12-101	Recreation Ground	Litlington
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NH/12-104	Meadows, Bancroft Farm	Little Abington
NH/12-105	Camping Close, Camping Field,	Little Shelford
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NH/12-107b	Allotments	Lolworth
NH/12-107c	Land at Cuckoo Lane	Lolworth
NH/12-108	Allotments, The Moor,	Melbourn
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NH/12-127	Chapel Orchard Allotments,	Orwell
NH/12-128	Glebe Field, behind St Andrews Church,	Orwell
NH/12-129	Recreation Ground, Town Green Road,	Orwell
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NH/12-131	Land to rear of The Lane	Over
NH/12-132	Wood behind Pendragon Hill,	Papworth Everard
NH/12-133	Jubilee Green	Papworth Everard
NH/12-134	Baron's Way Wood	Papworth Everard
NH/12-135a	Rectory Woods (inside Village Boundary)	Papworth Everard
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NH/12-136	Meadow at western end of Church Lane	Papworth Everard
NH/12-137a	Summer's Hill Open Space (inside Village Boundary)	Papworth Everard
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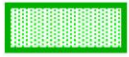
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NH/12-172	The Lawn	Whittlesford

## **Appendix 6 Detailed Assessment Proforma**



# Key

## Local Green Space (LGS)



Local Green Space



Local Green Space - Land added March 2015



Local Green Space - Land removed March 2015



Local Green Space - Land removed July 2017



Local Green Space - Land removed March 2014

## Protected Village Amenity Area (PVAA)



PVAA - formerly LGS now new PVAA



PVAA - Land added July 2017



PVAA - formerly LGS returns to PVAA



PVAA - Submitted Local Plan

## Important Countryside Frontage (ICF)



Important Countryside Frontage - Submitted Local Plan



Important Countryside Frontage - formerly LGS returns to ICF

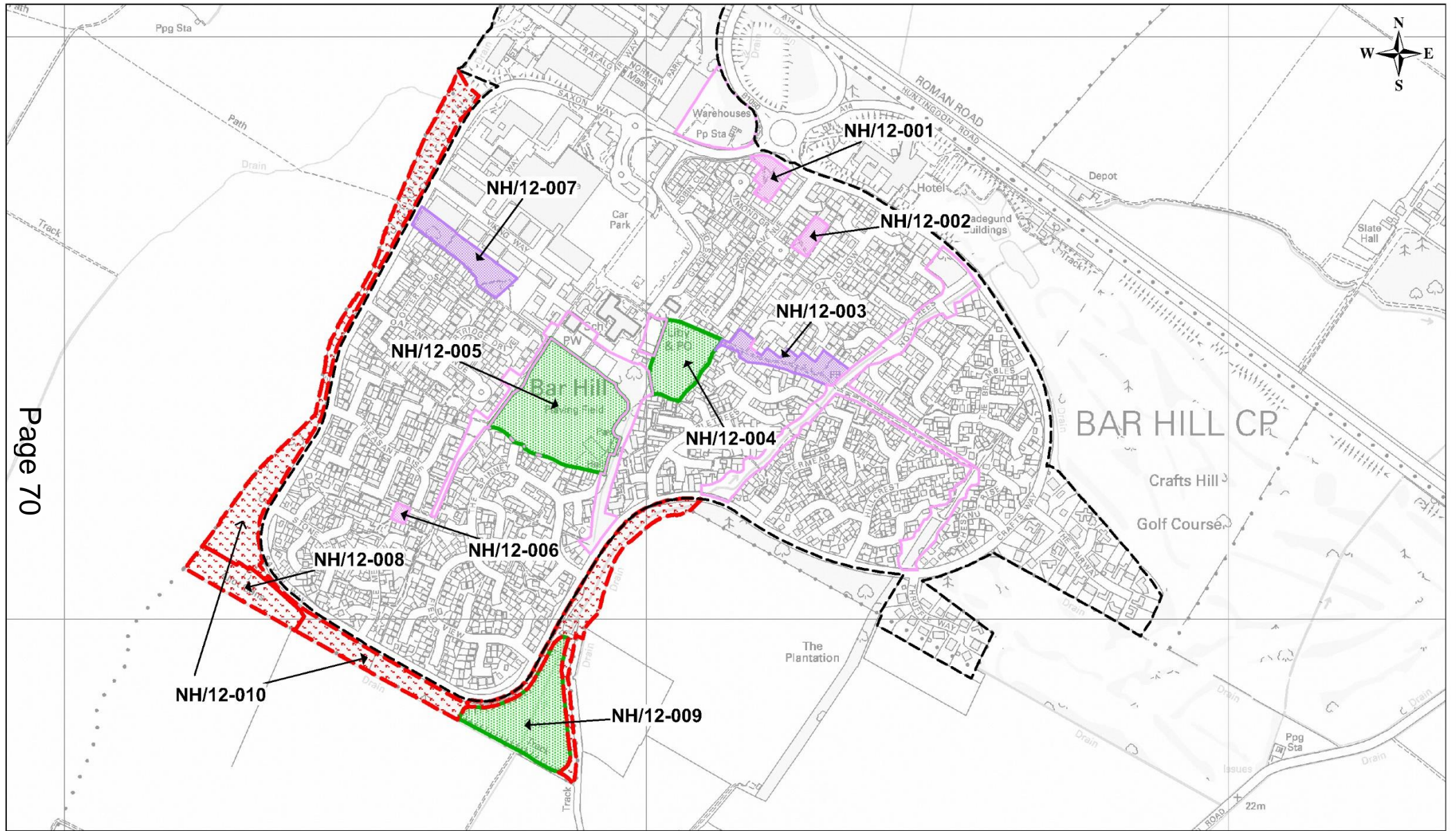
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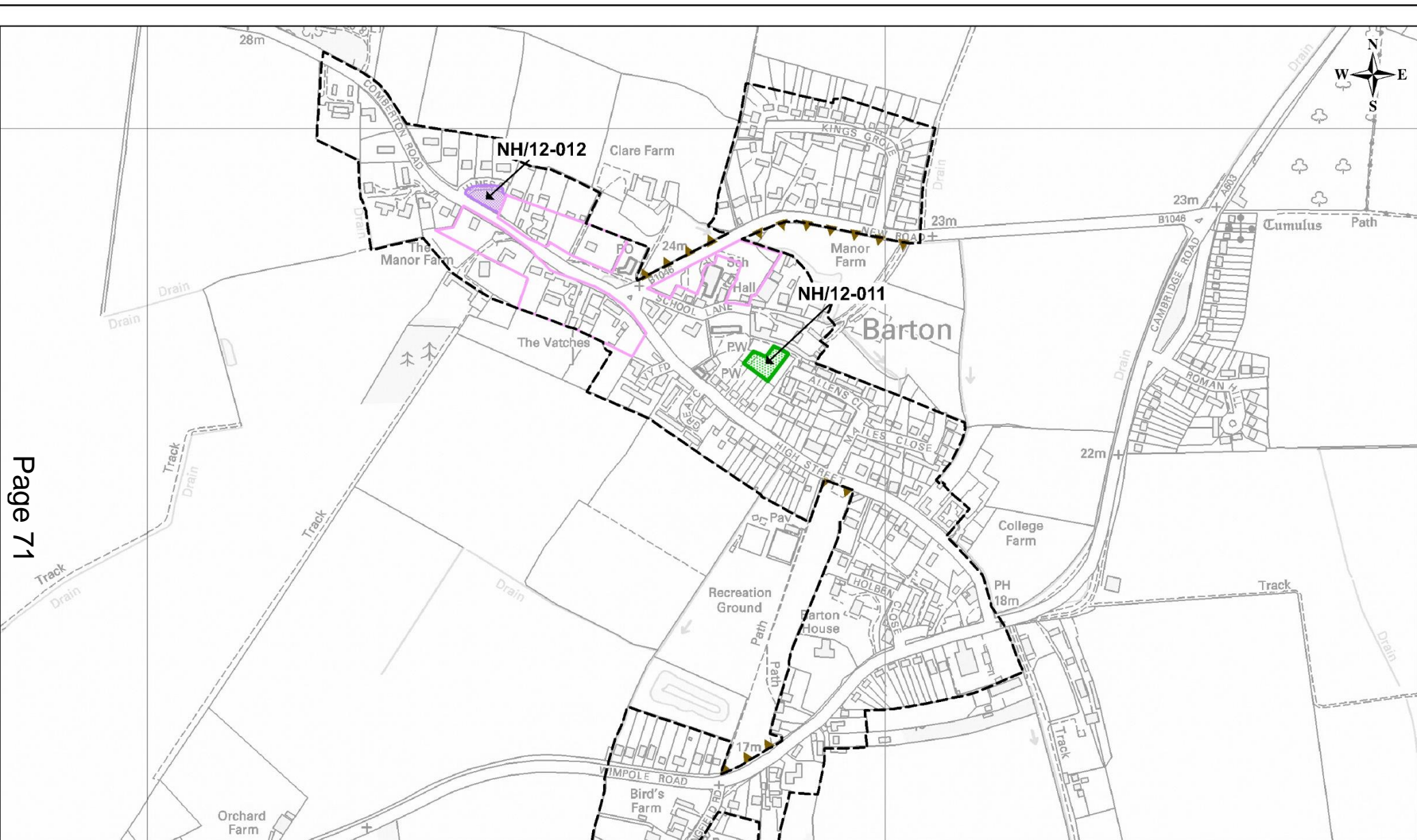


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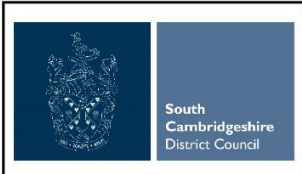


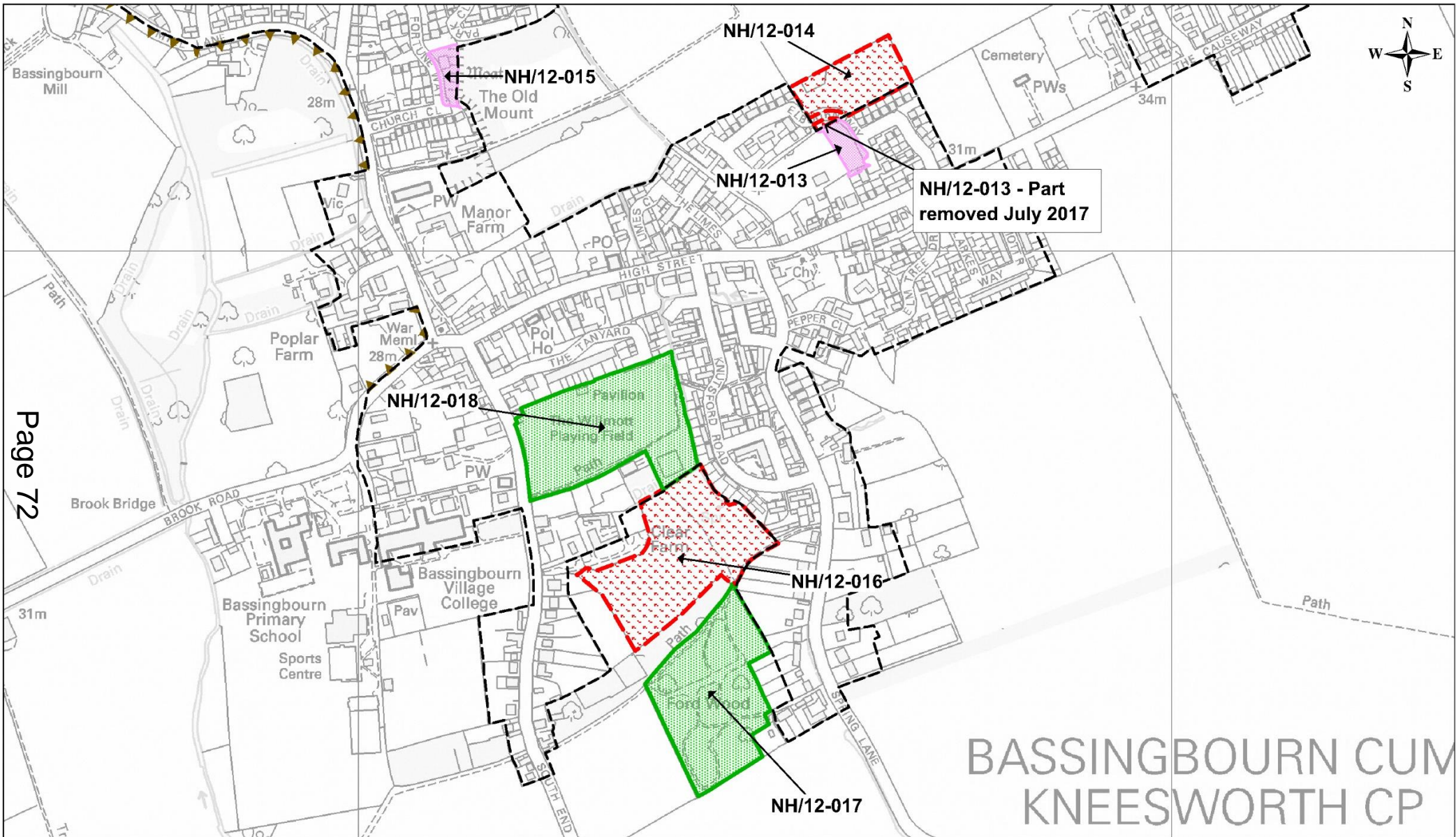


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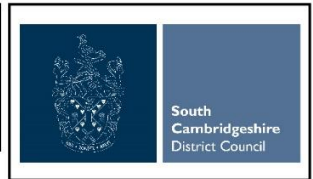


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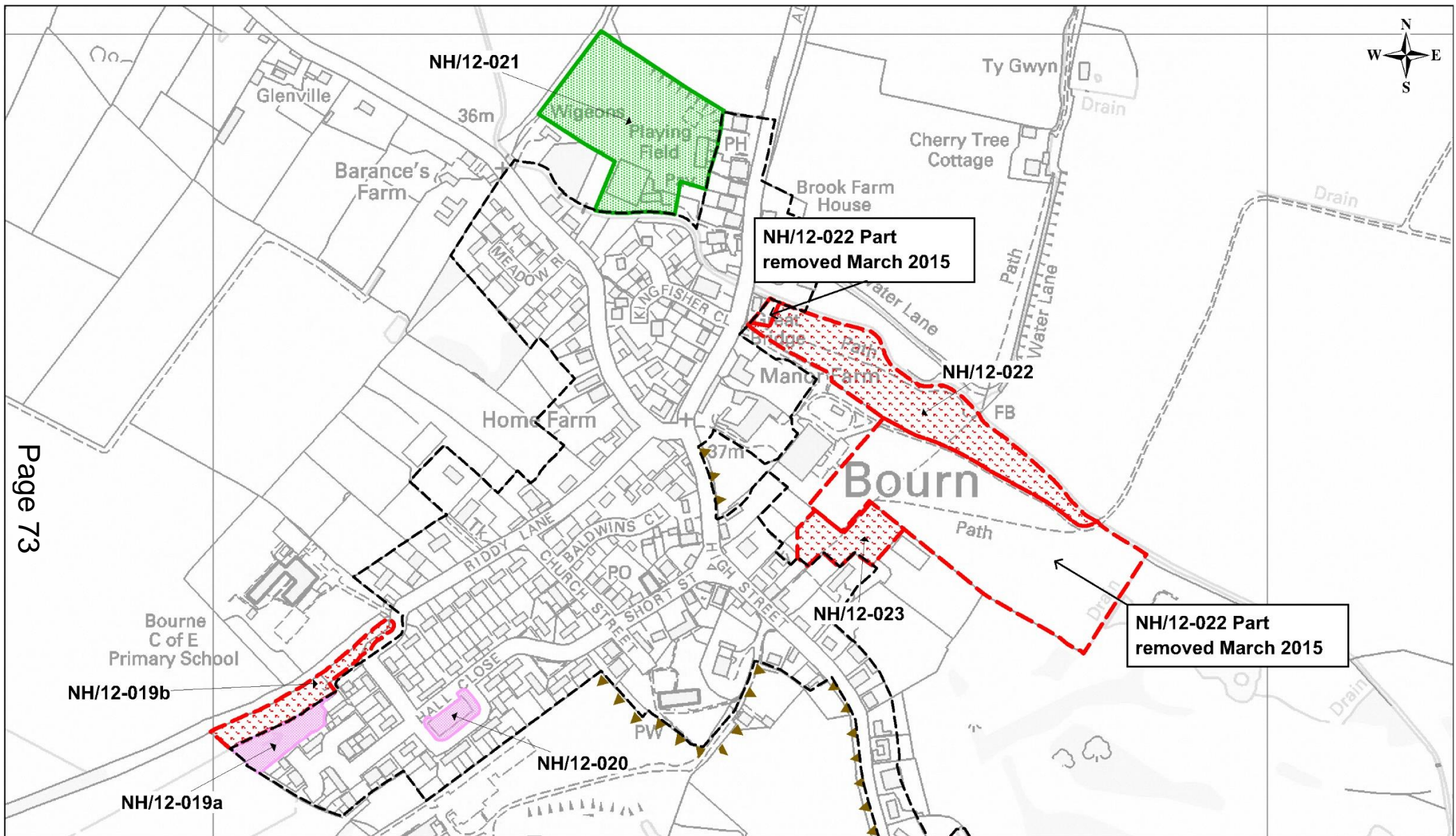
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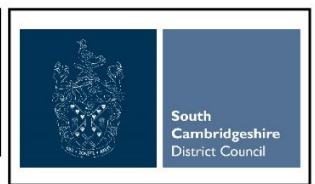
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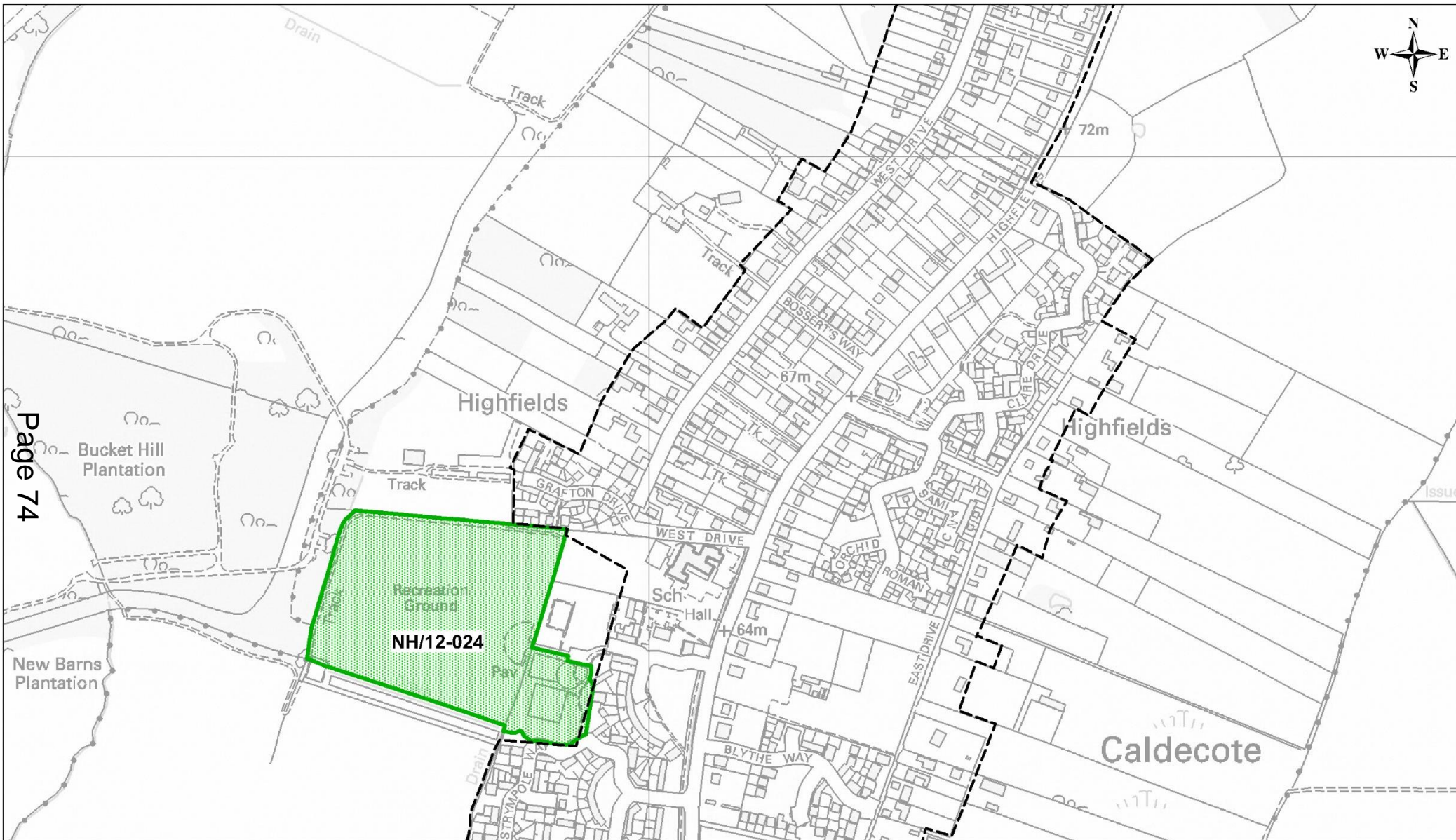


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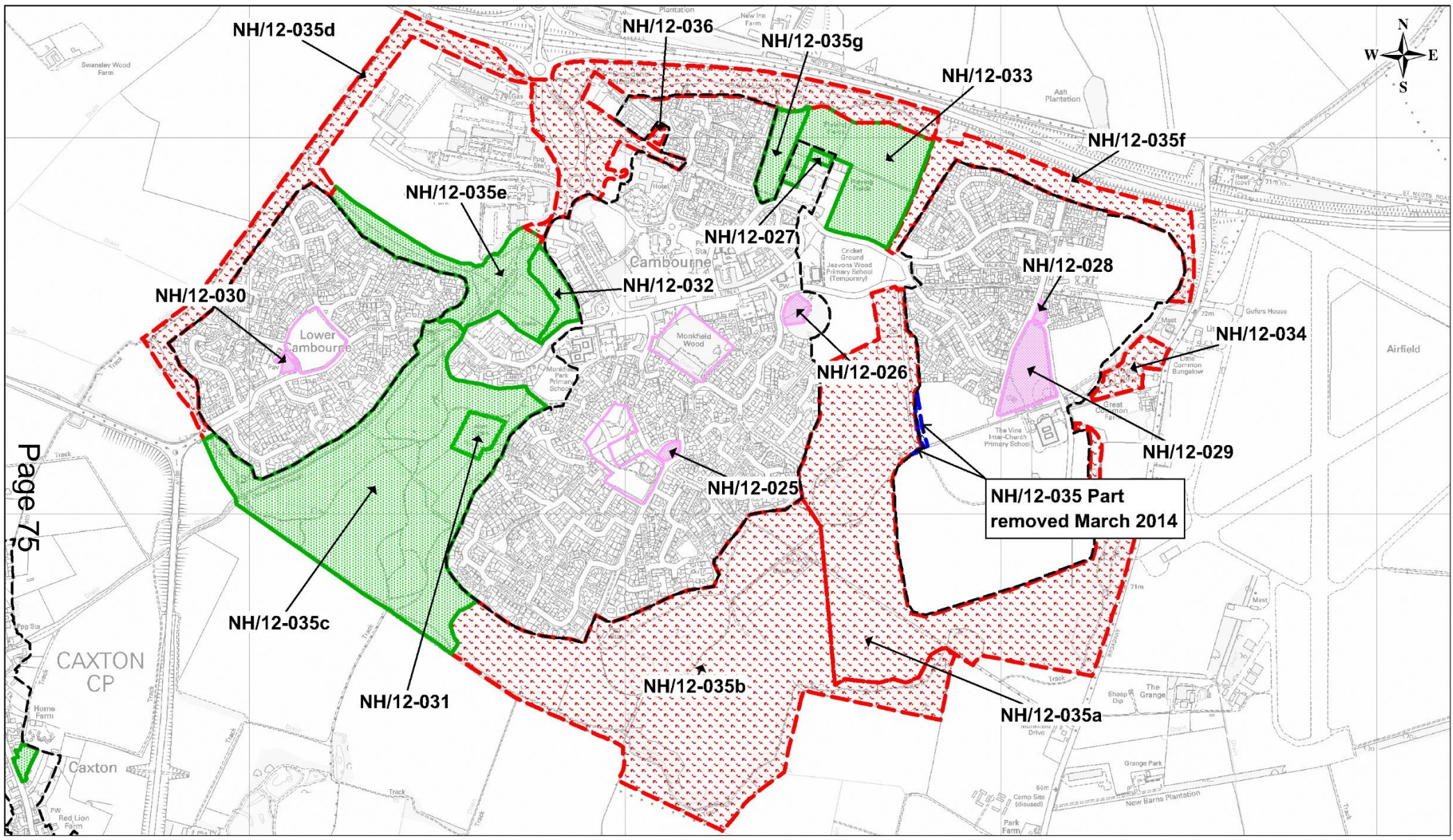


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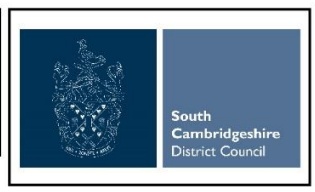


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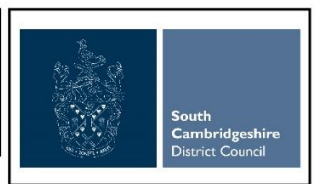


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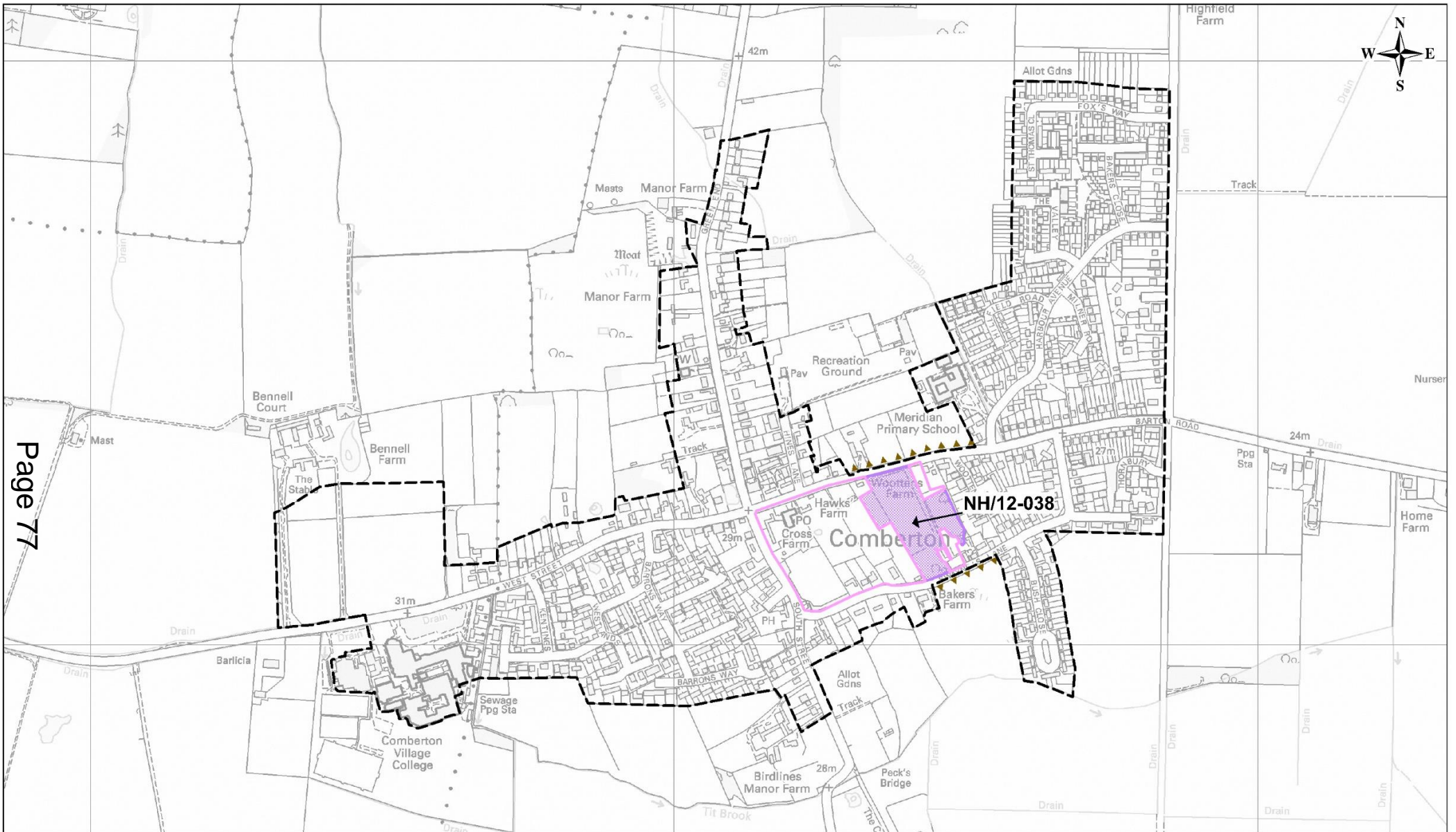
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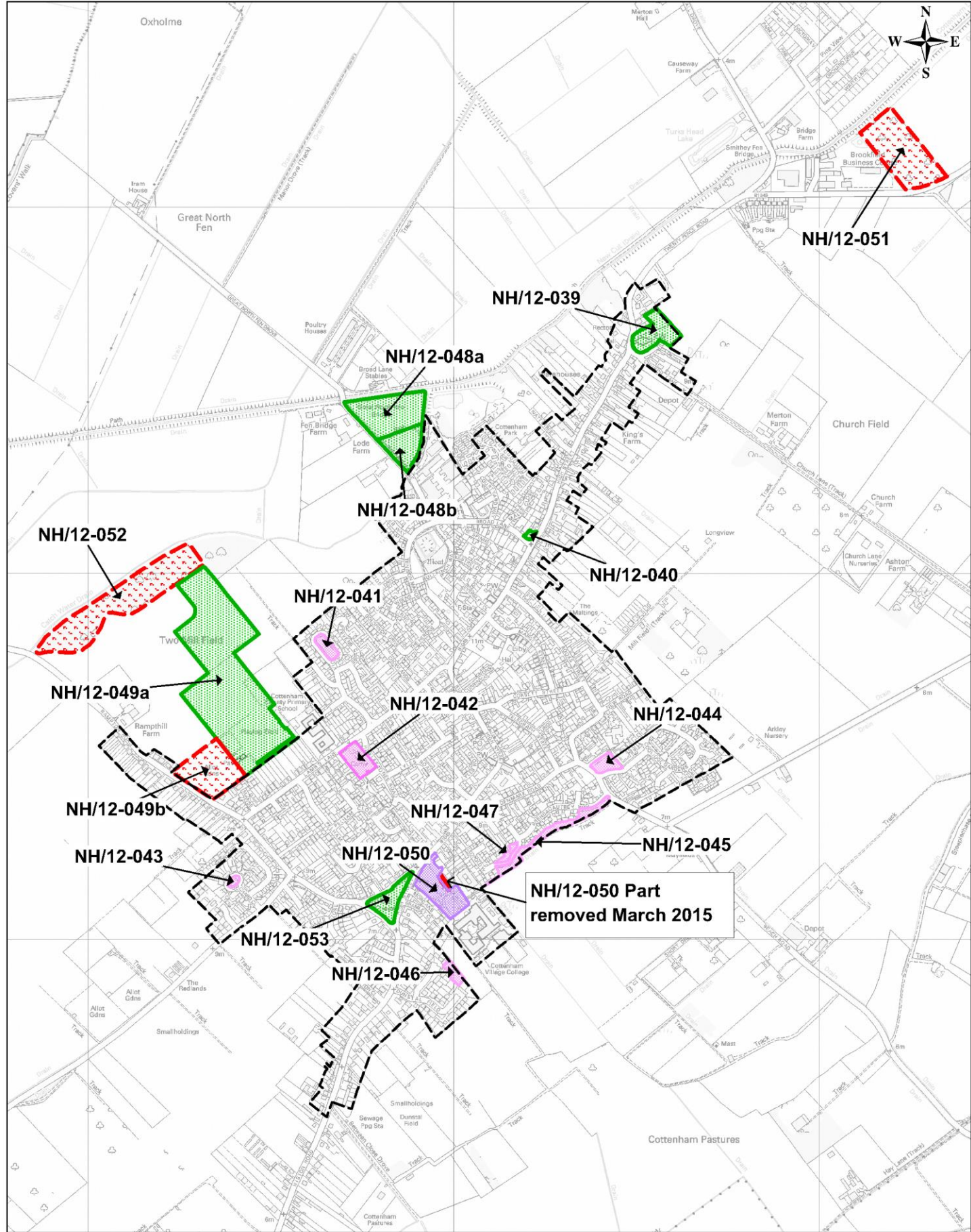
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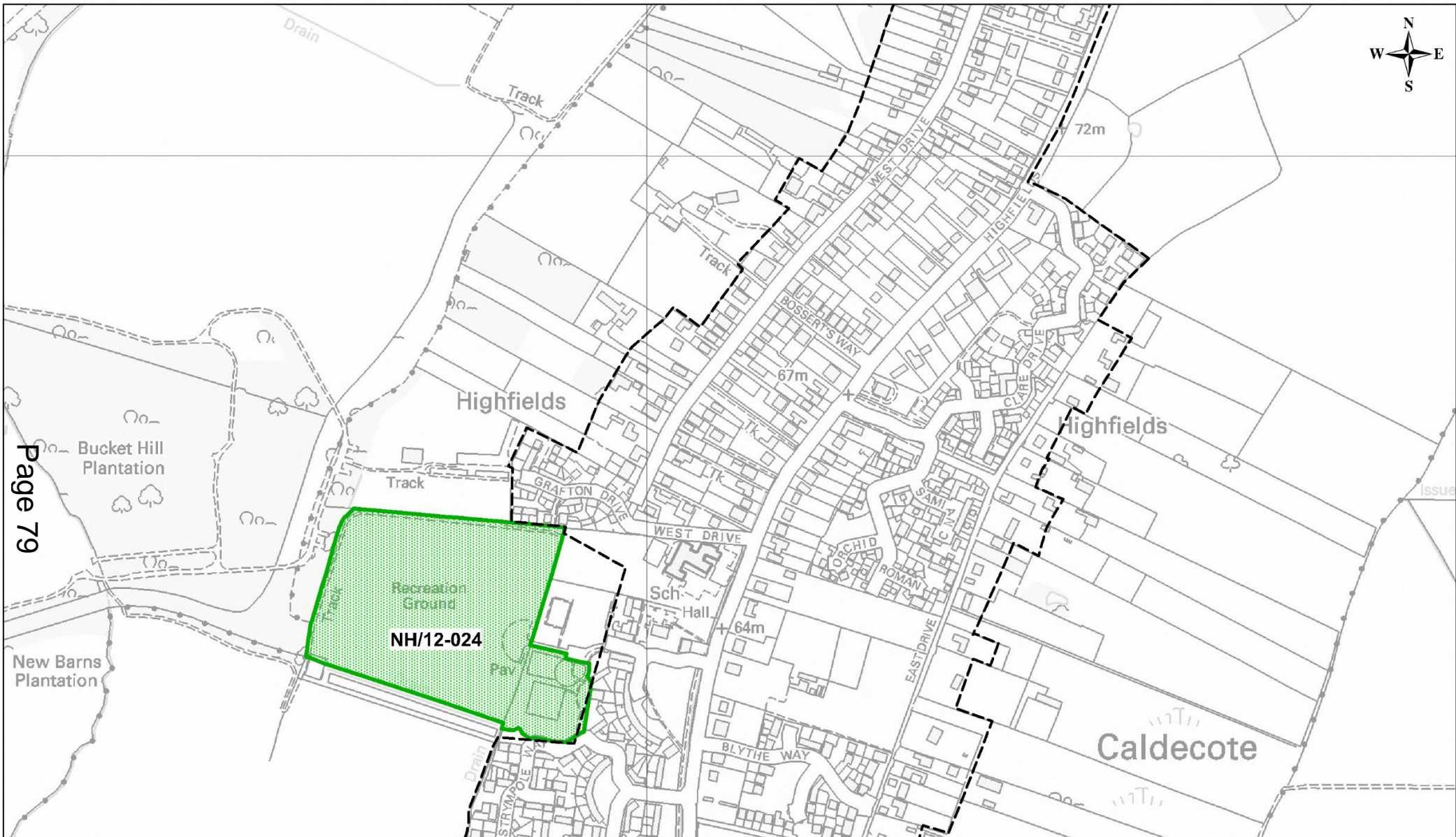


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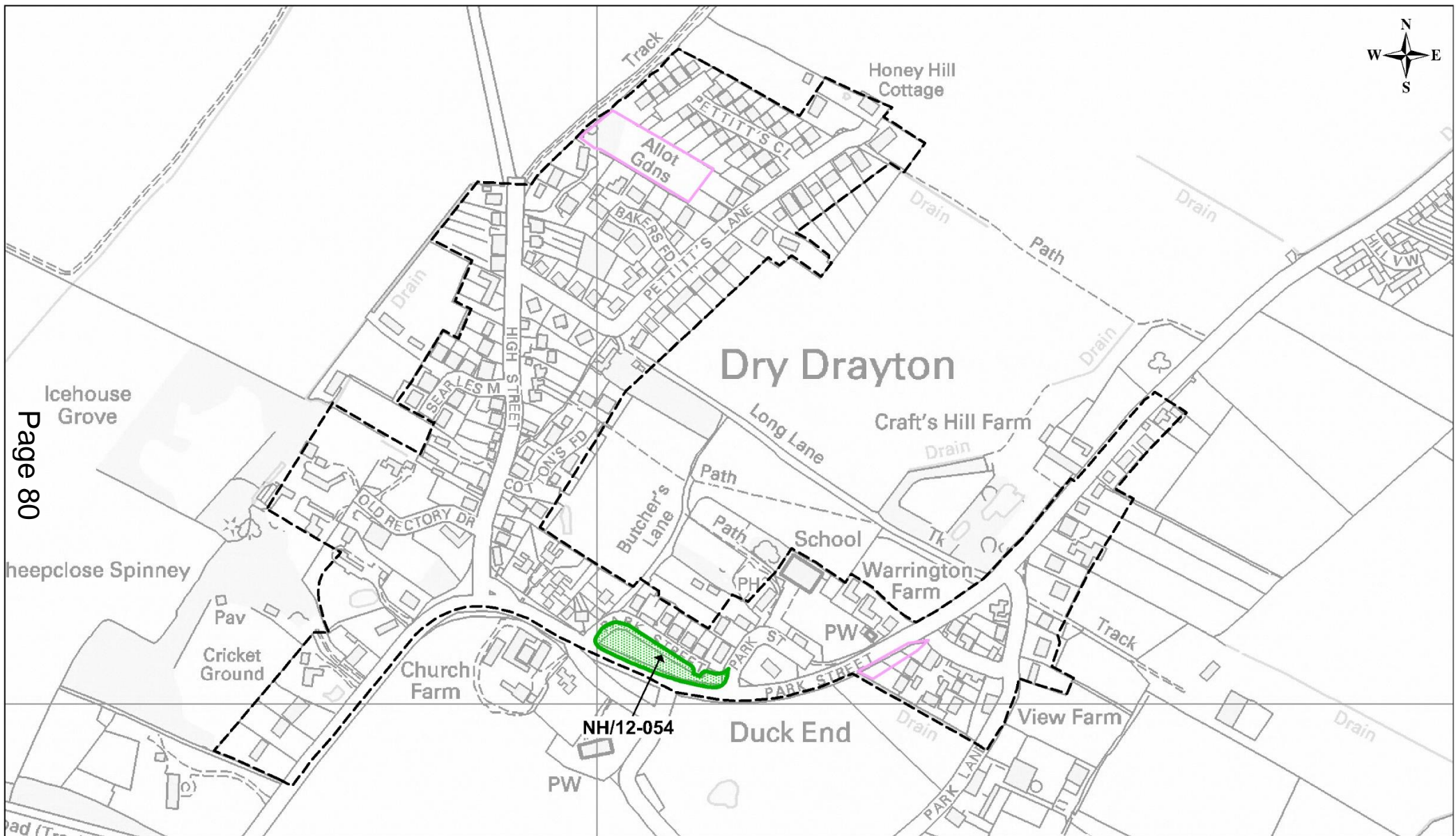


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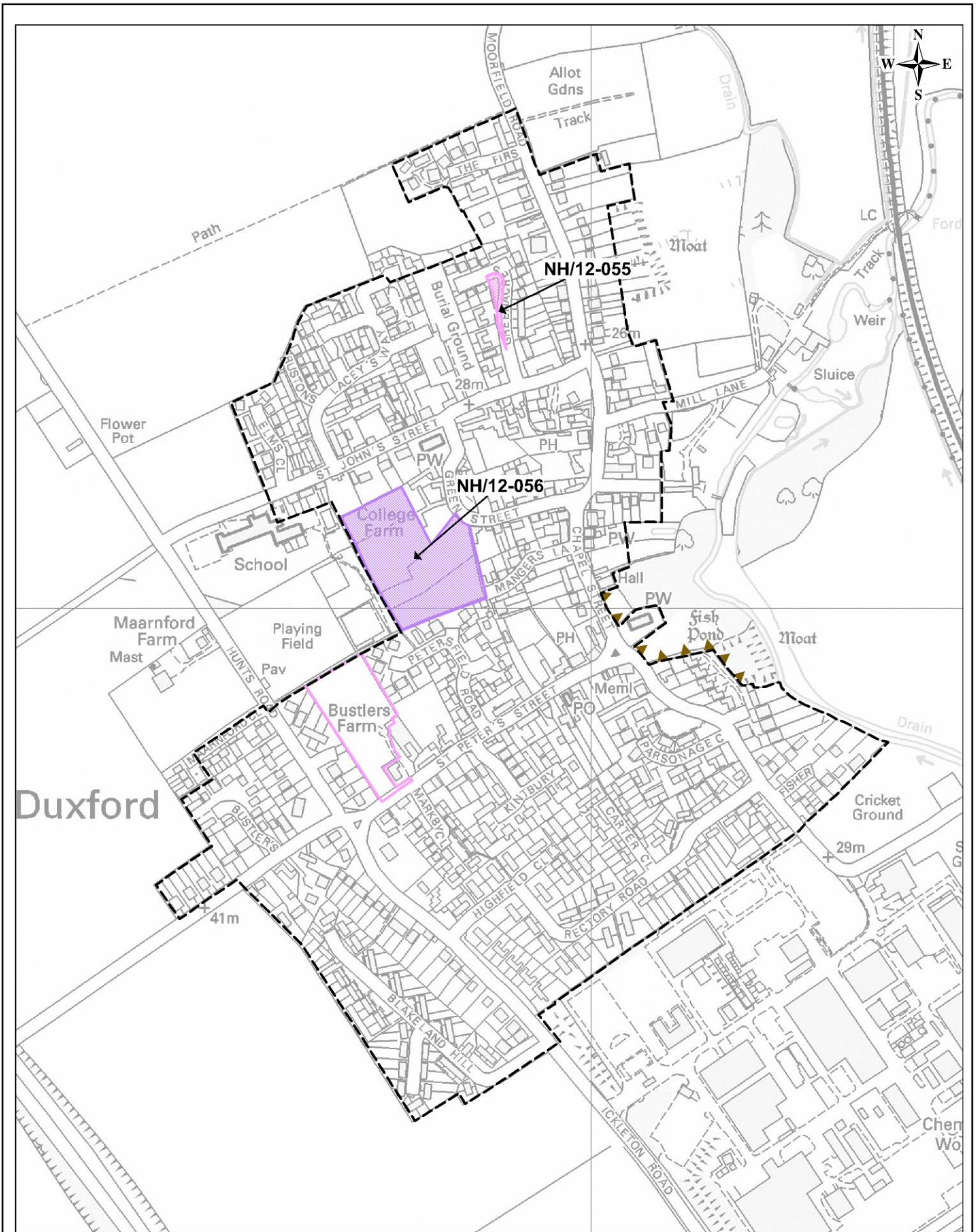


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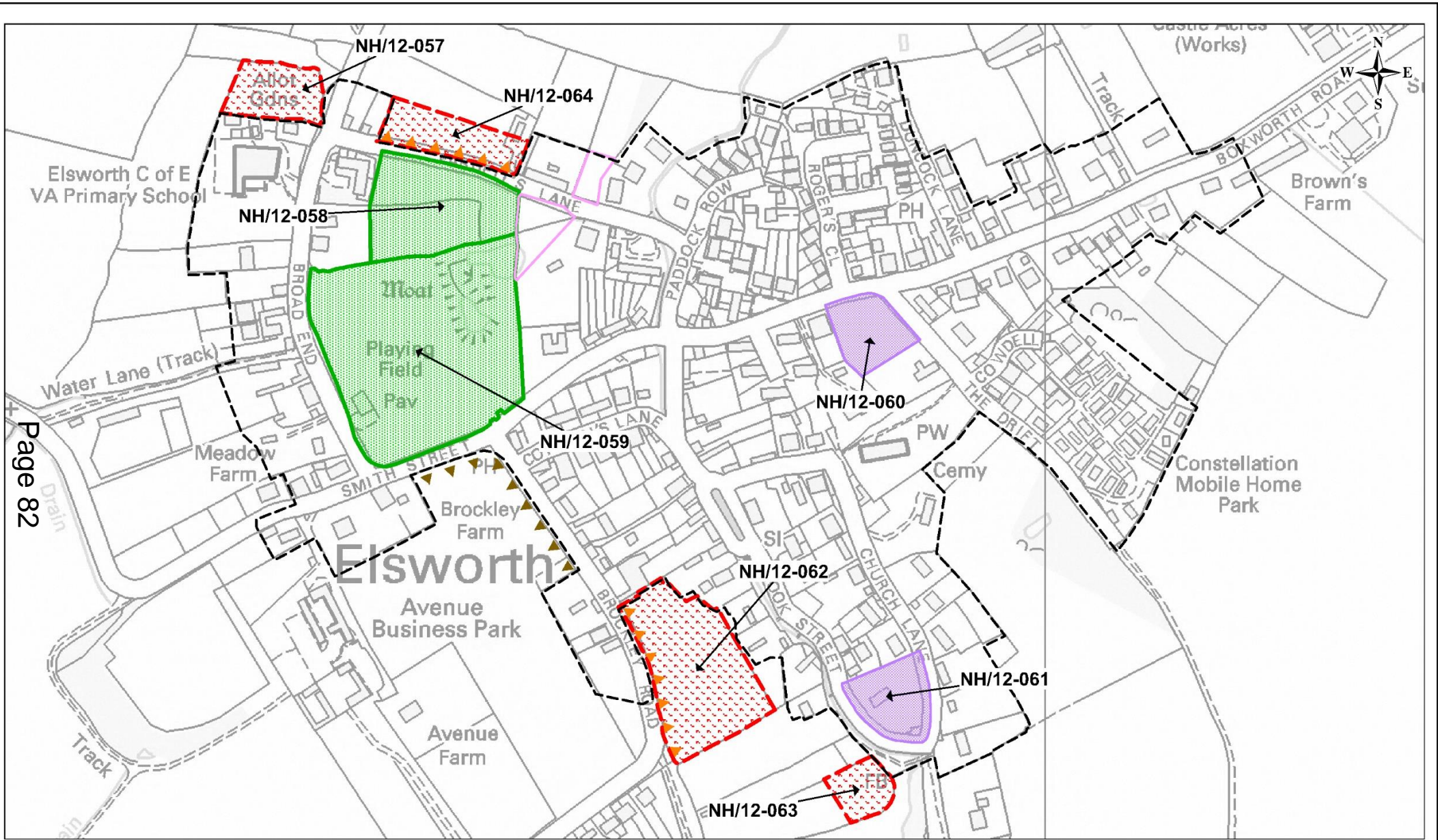


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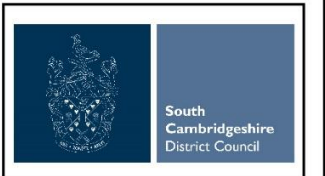


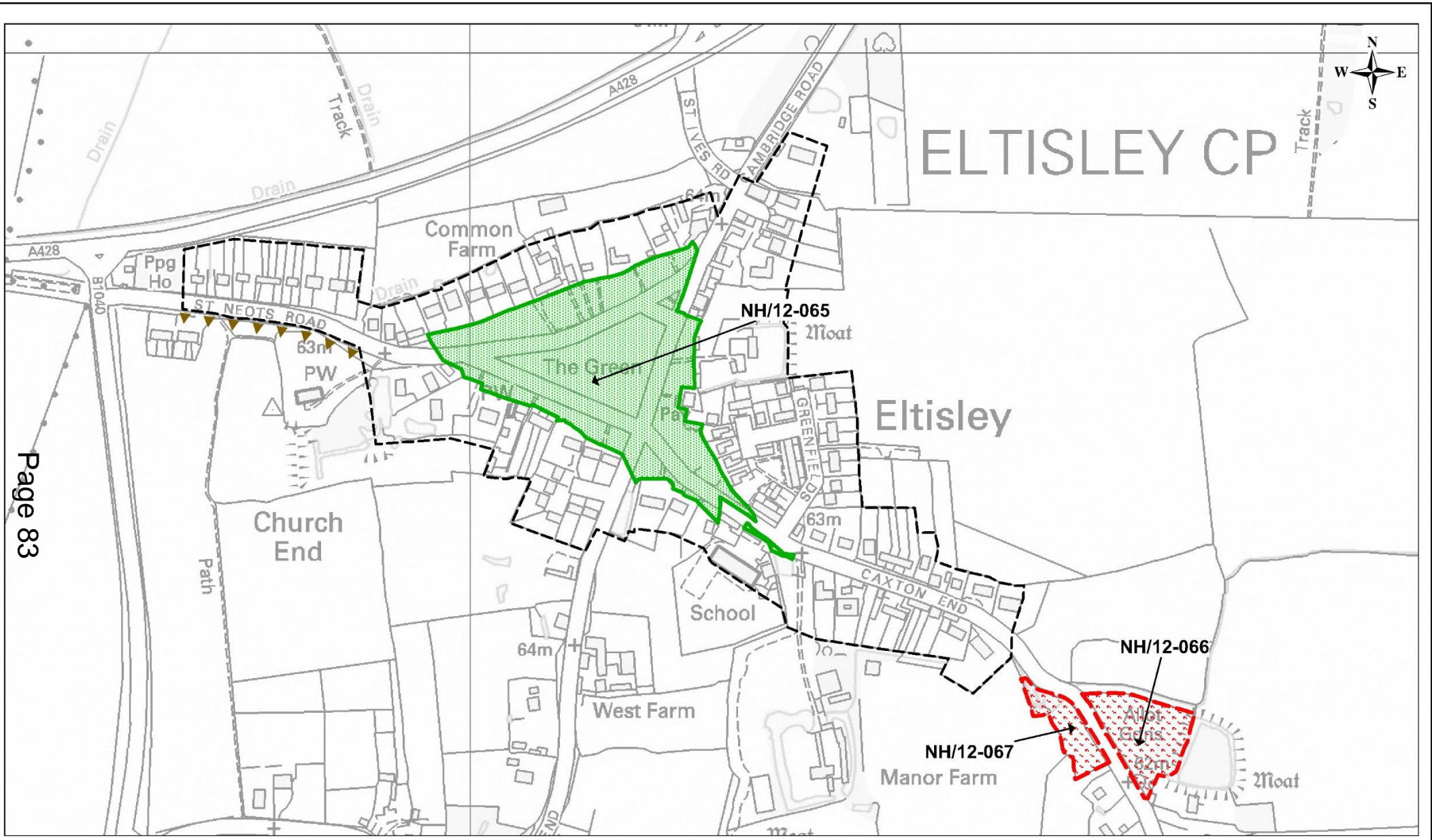
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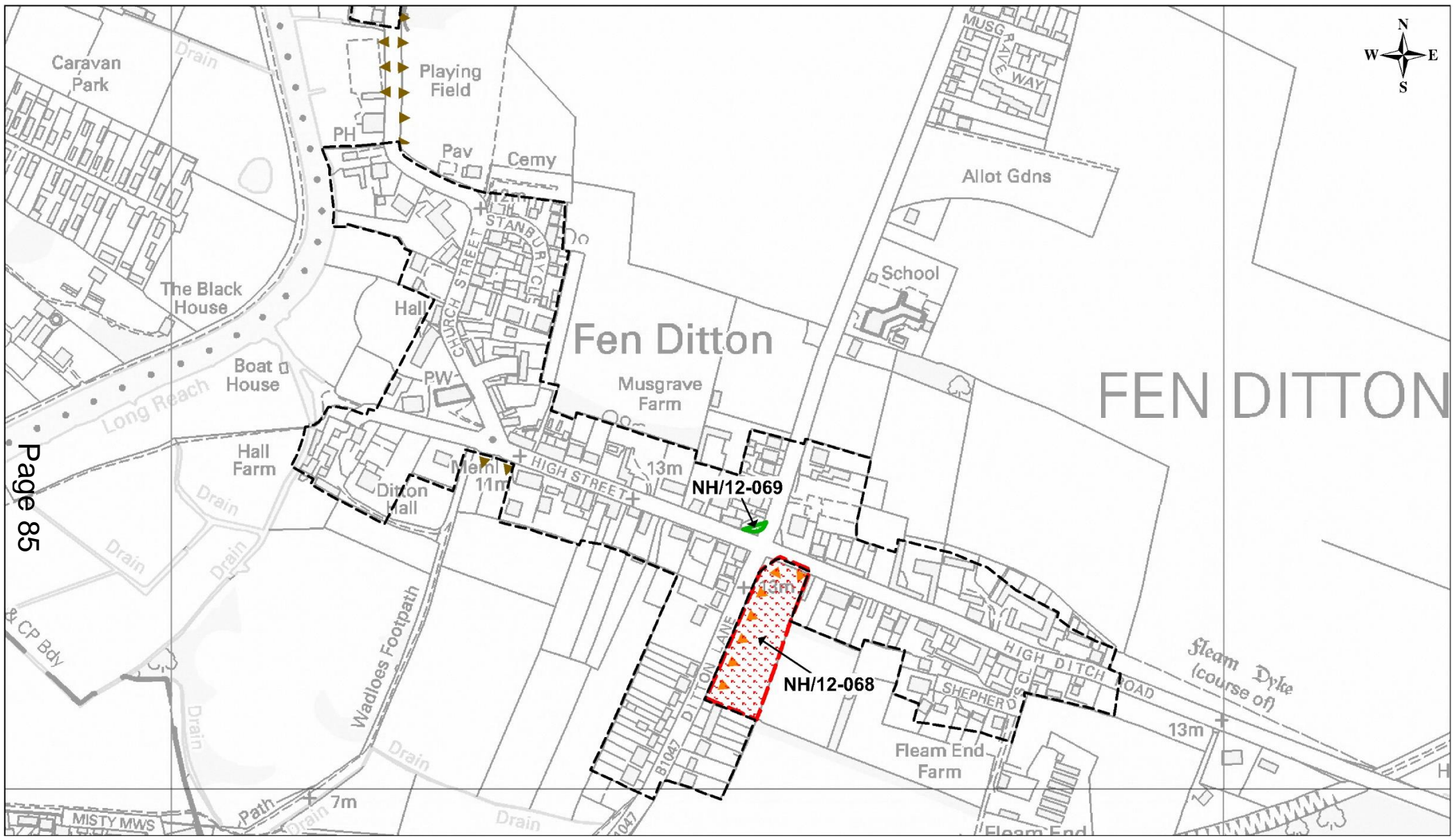
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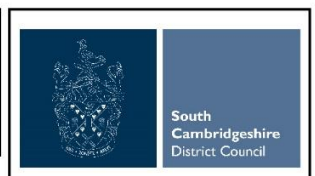




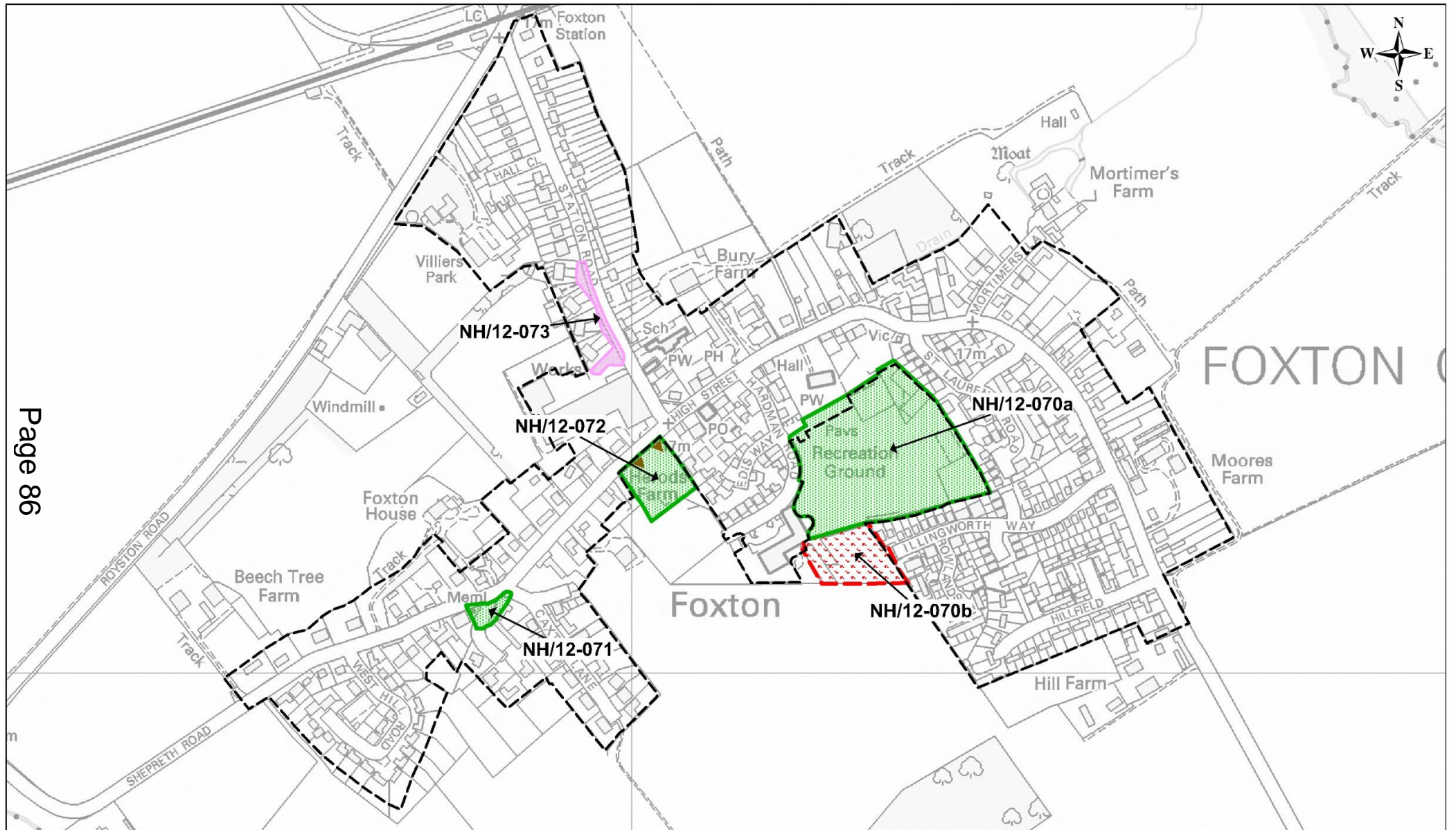
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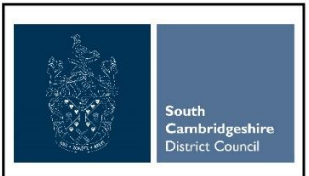
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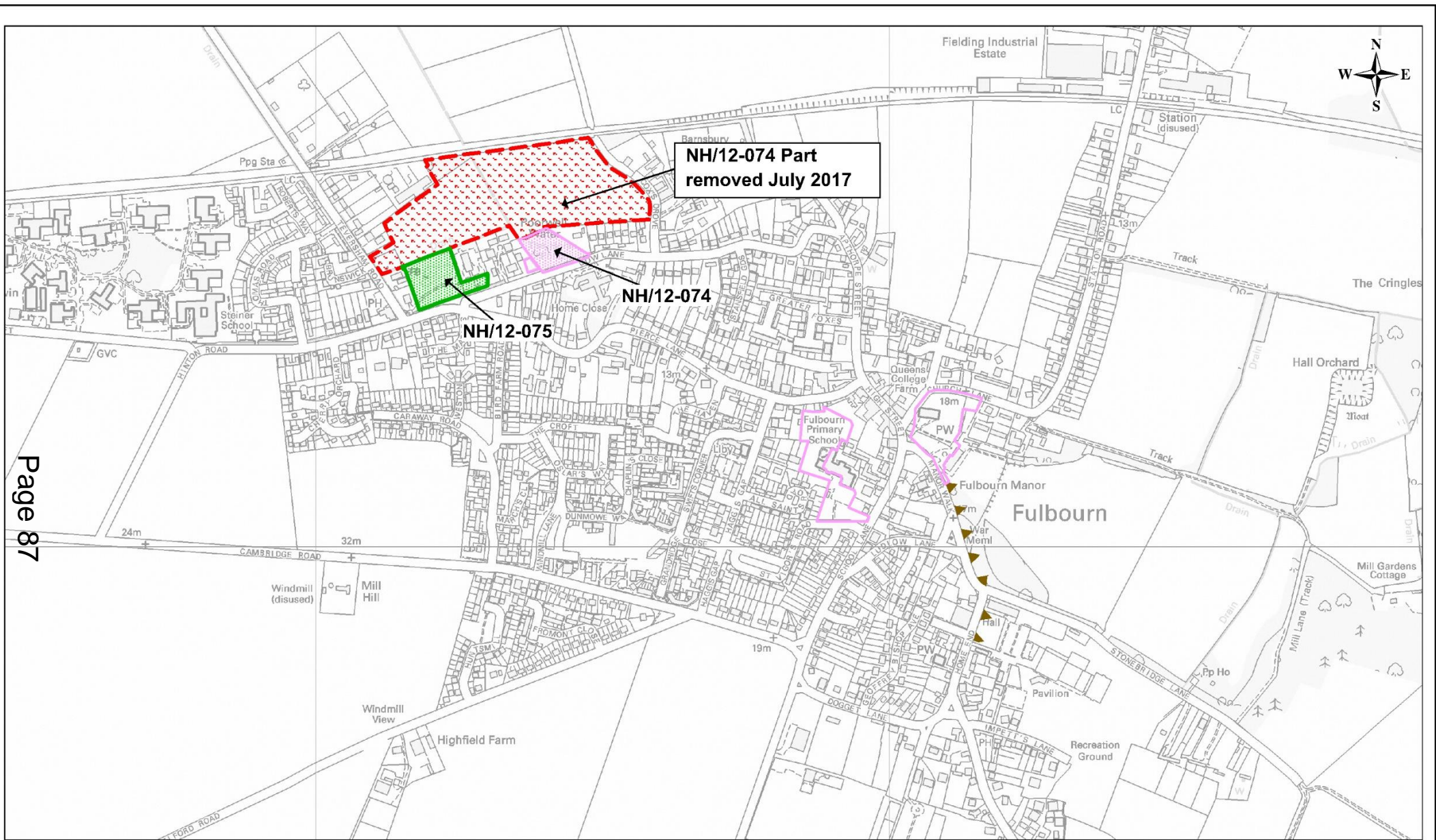


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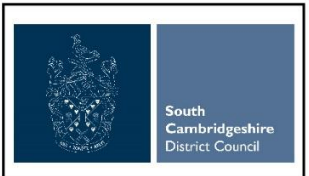


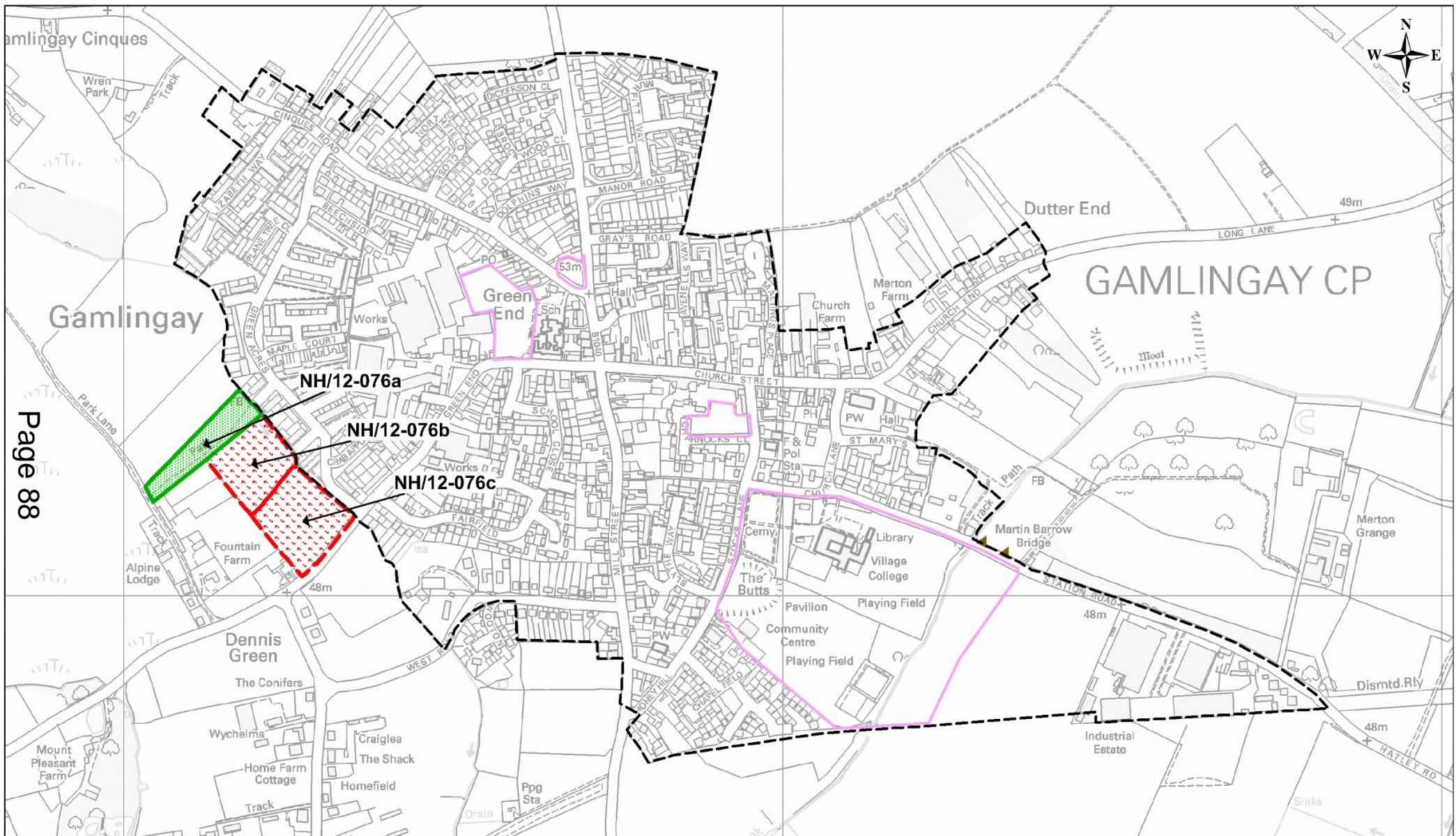
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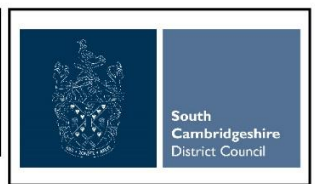


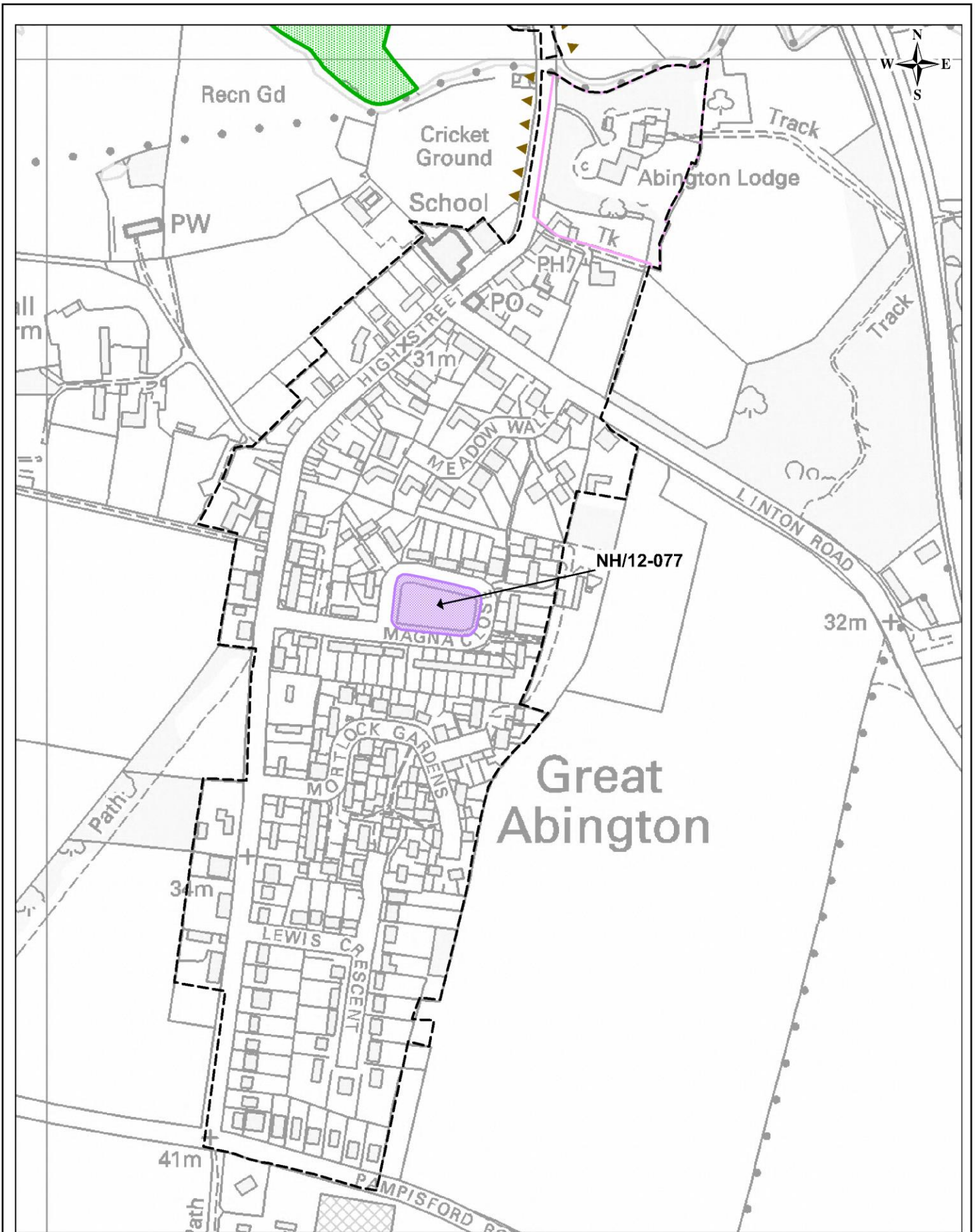


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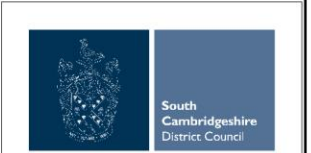
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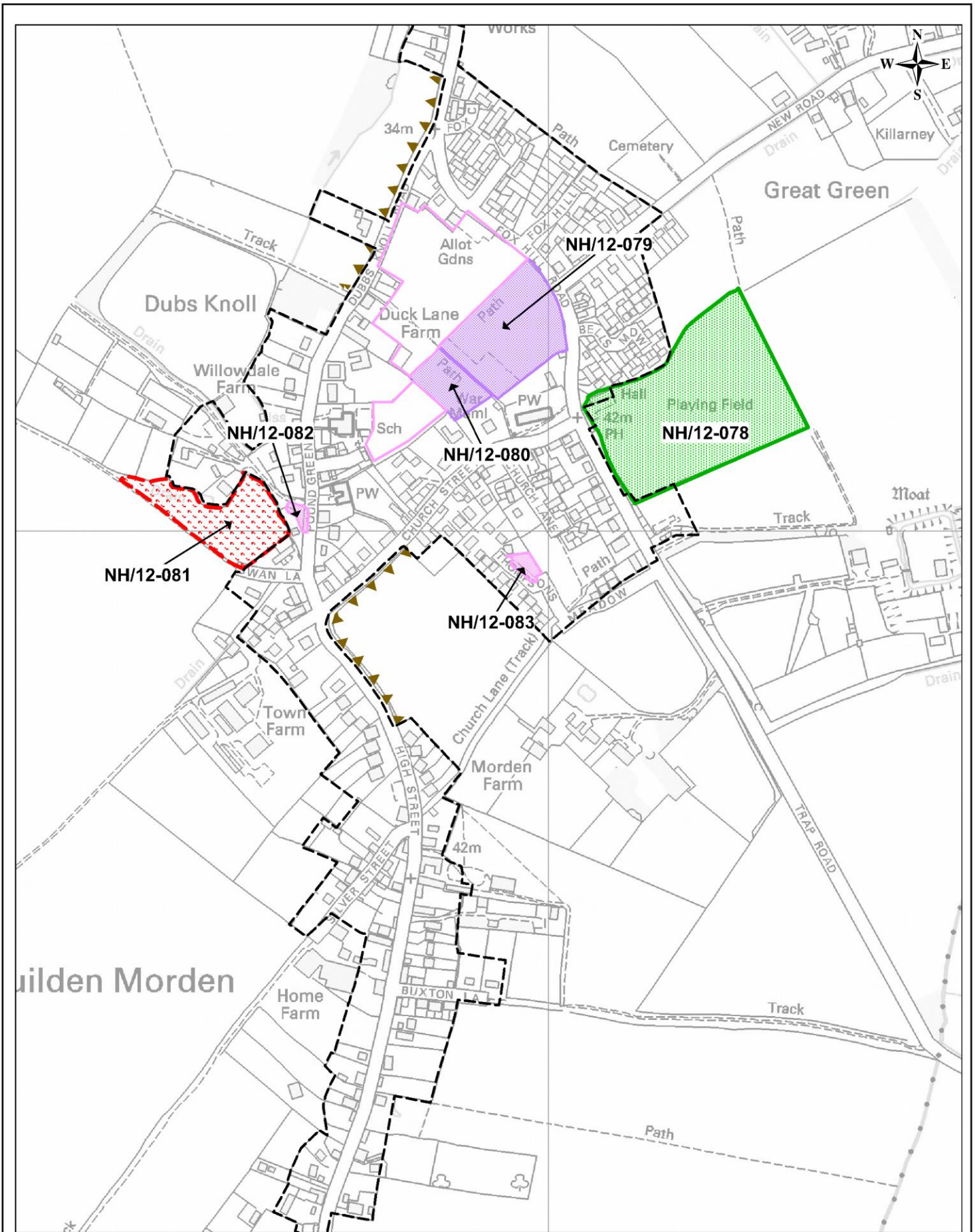




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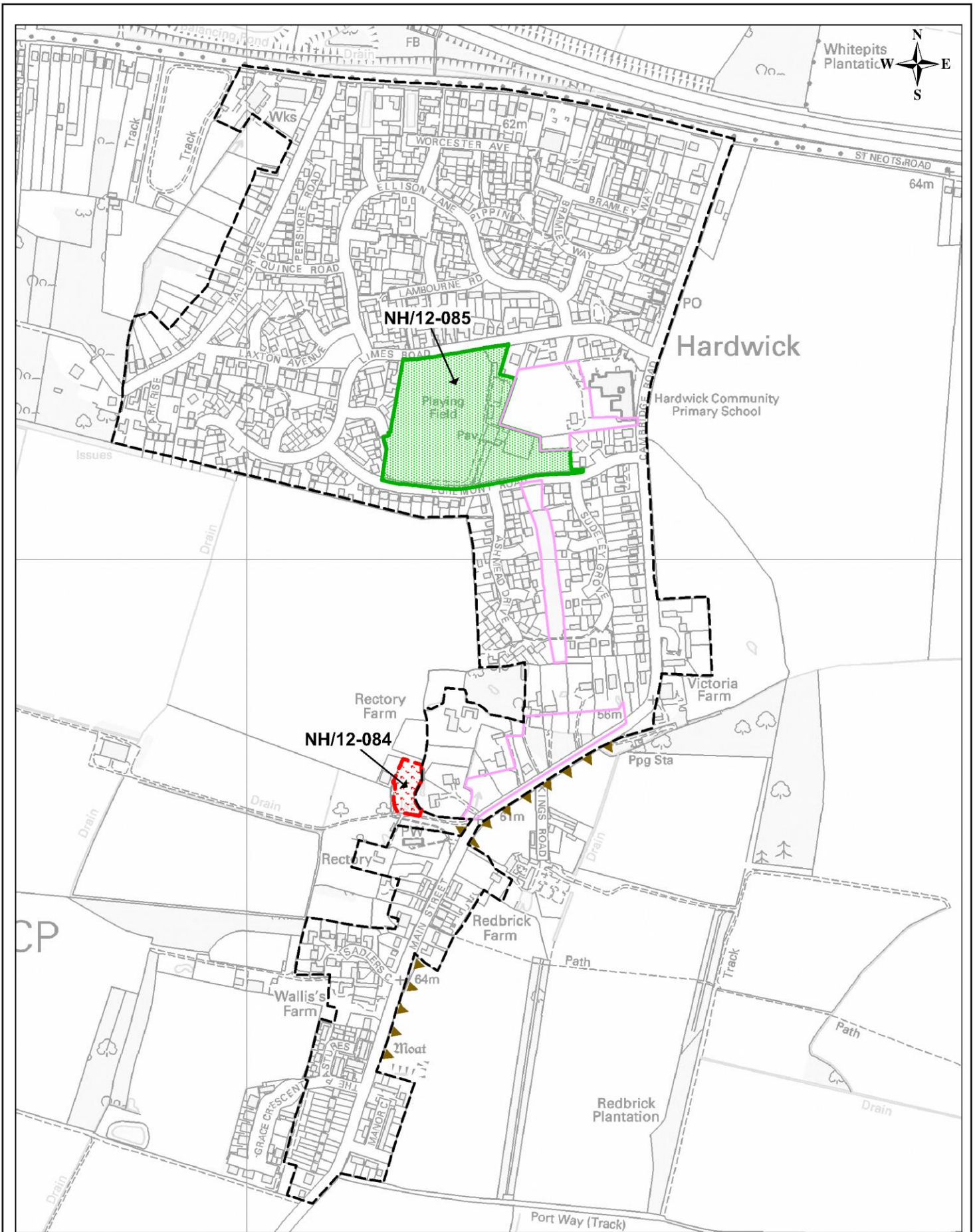
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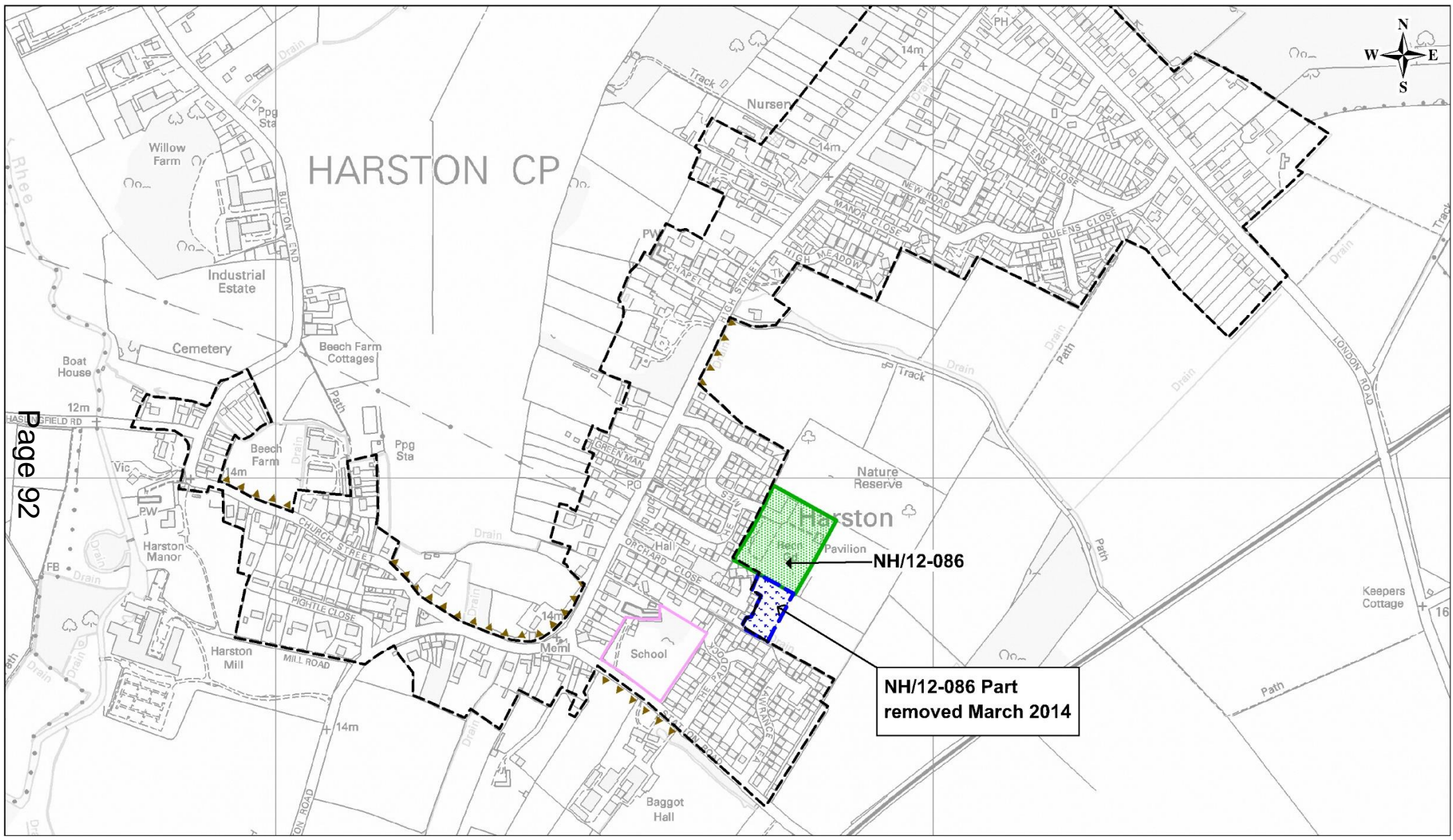
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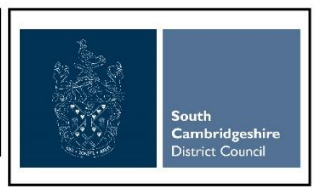


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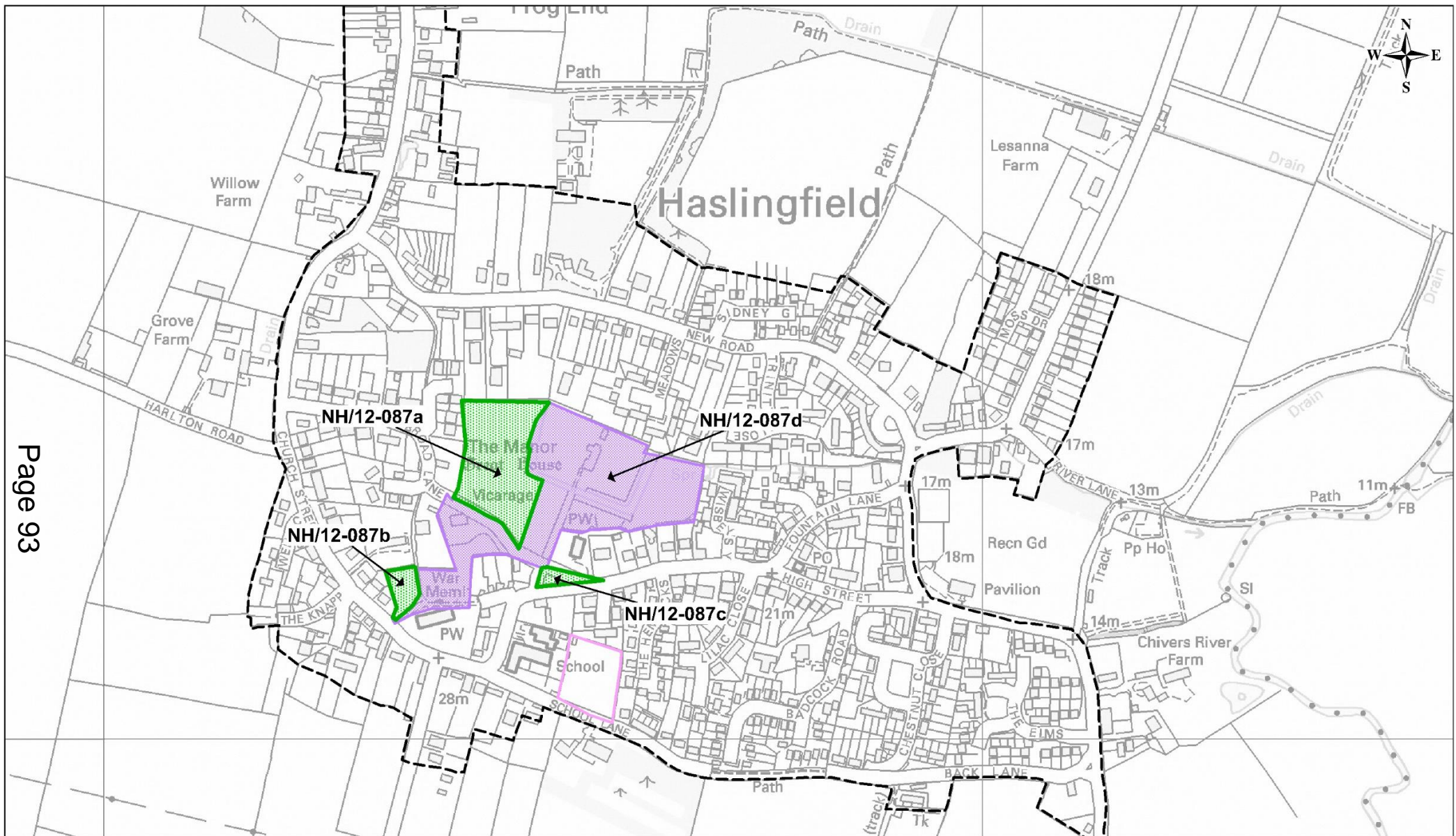
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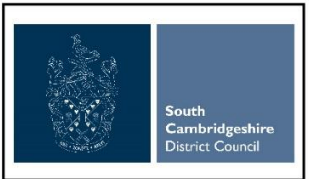




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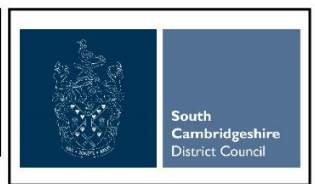


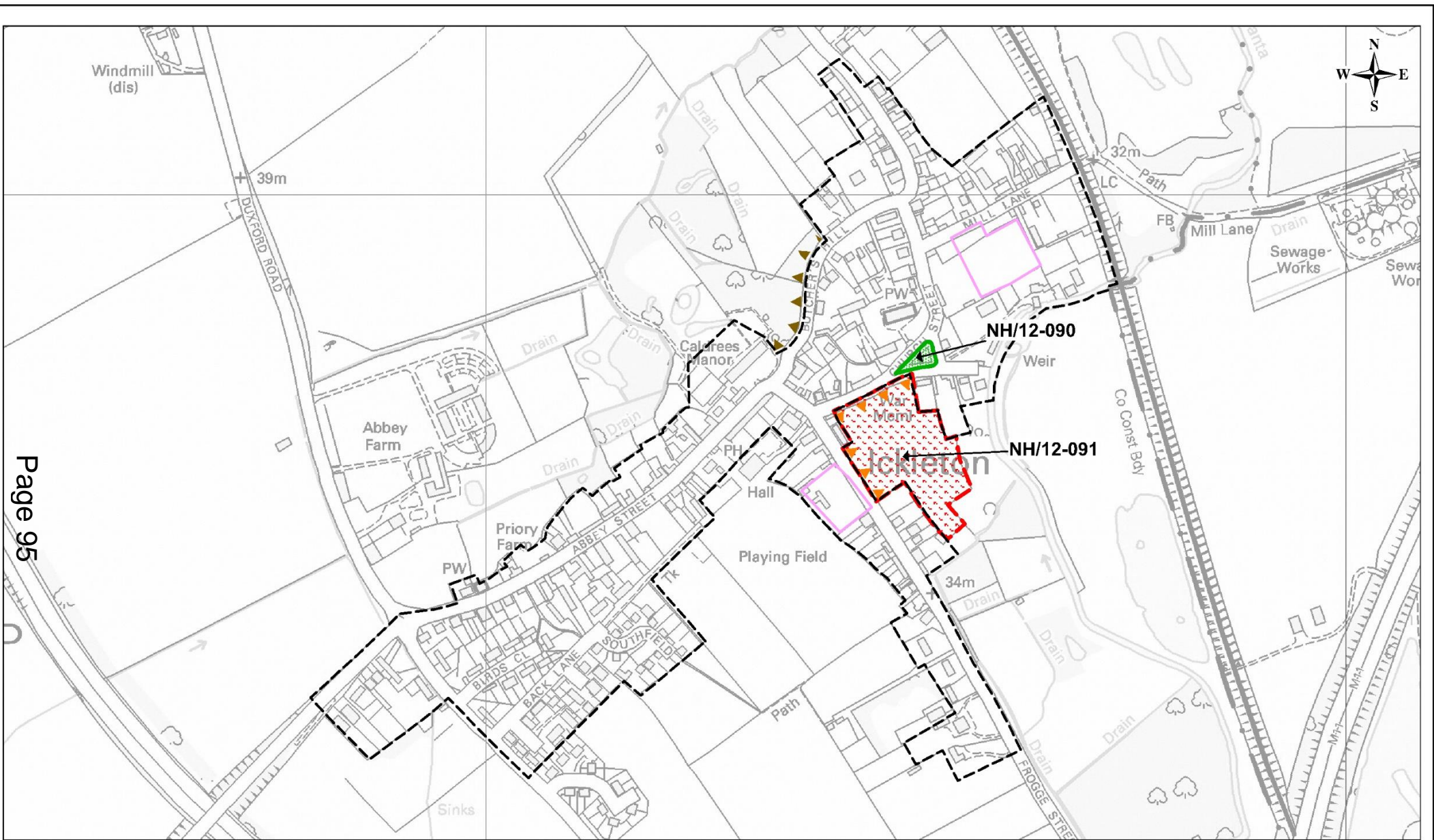
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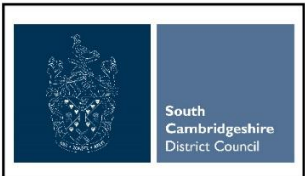


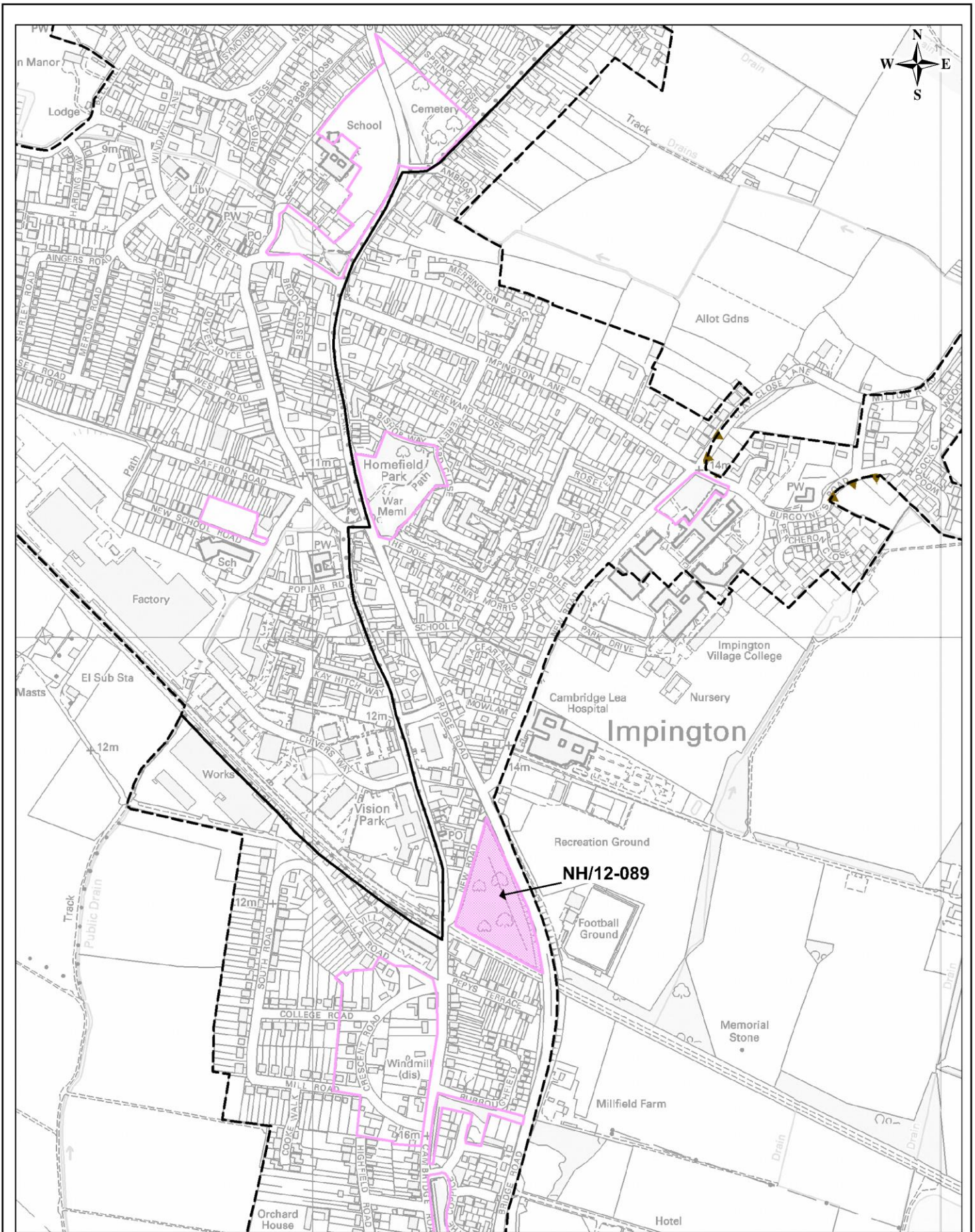


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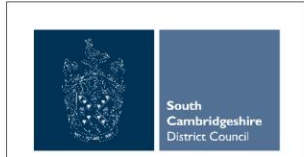
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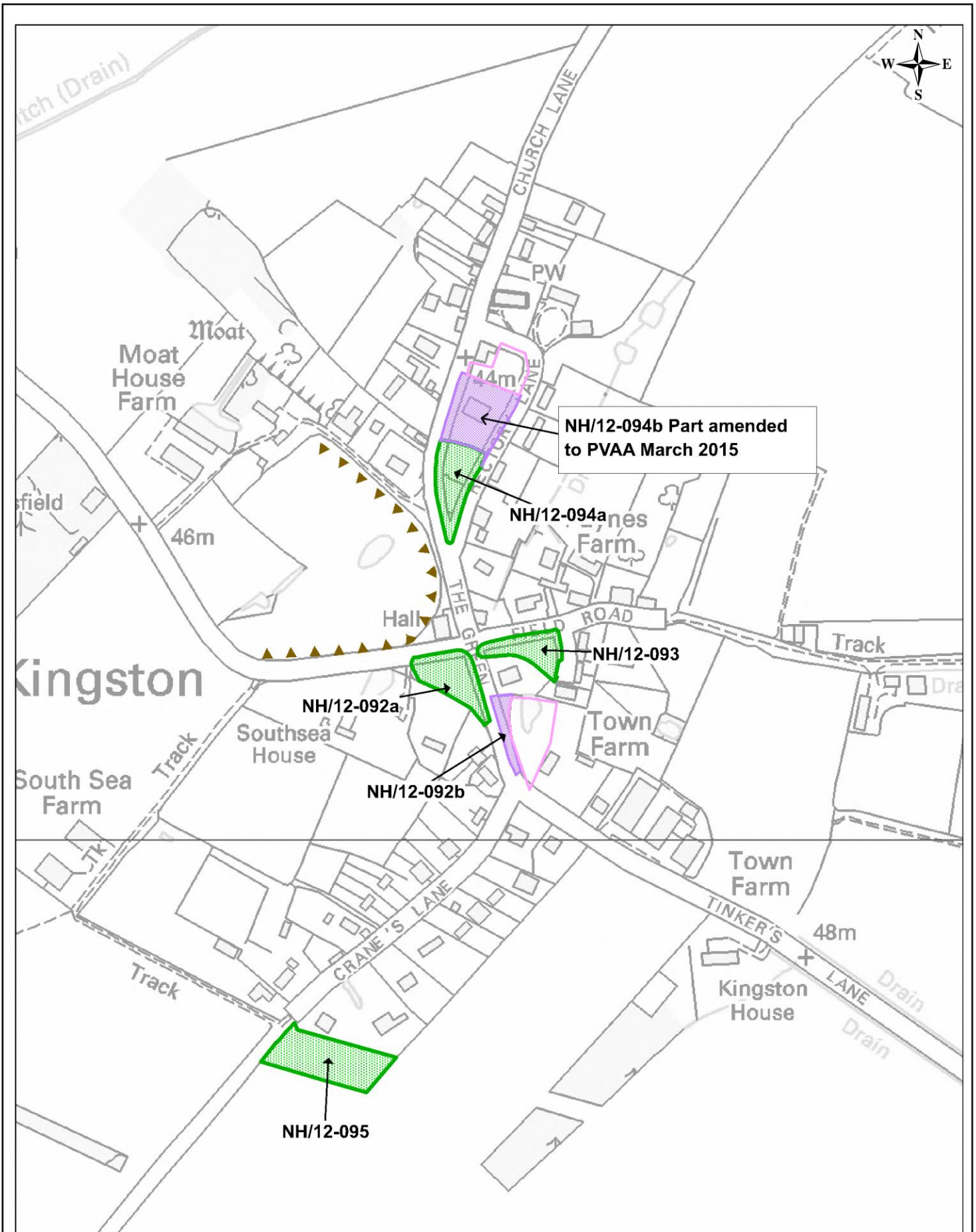


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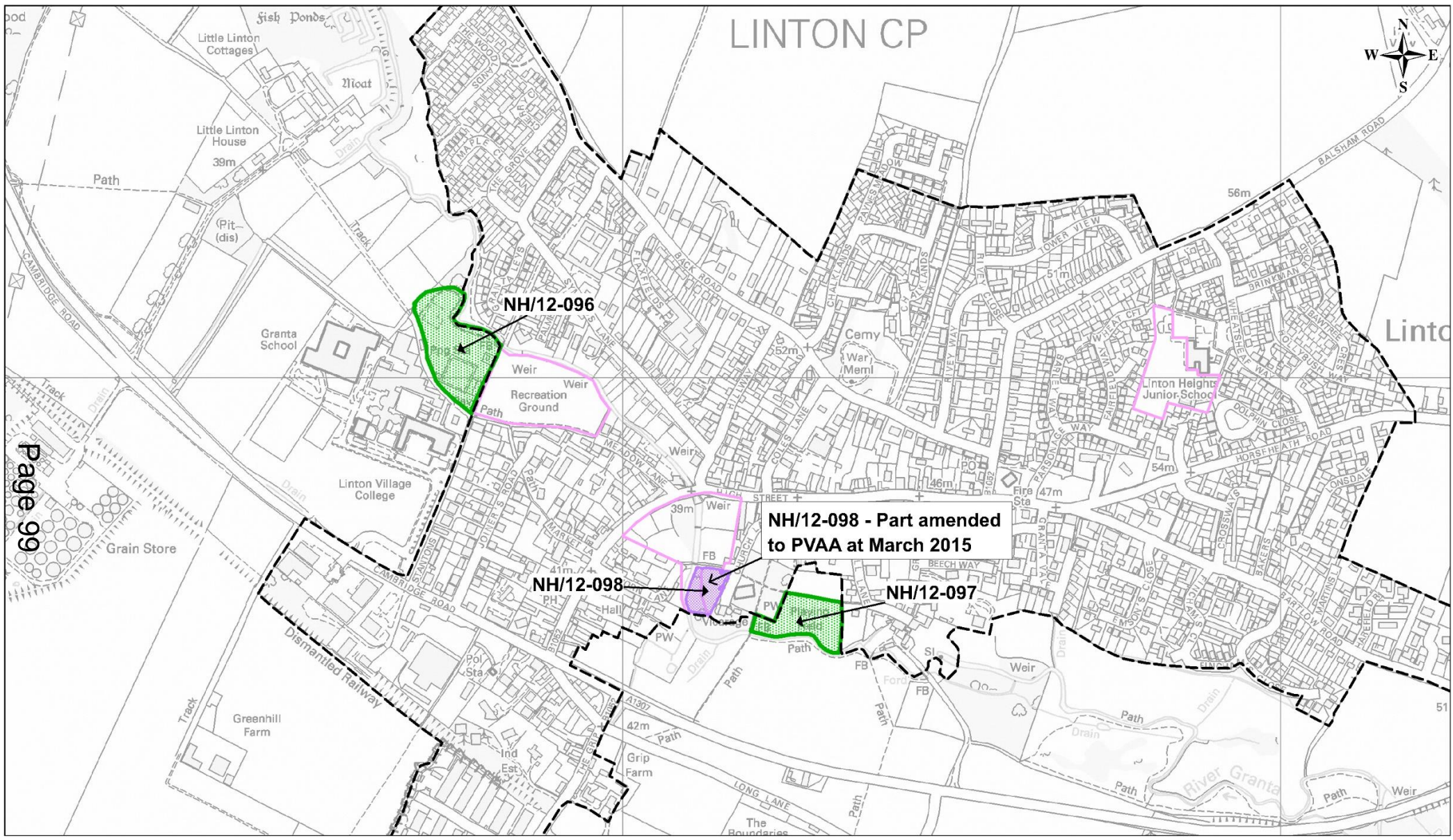


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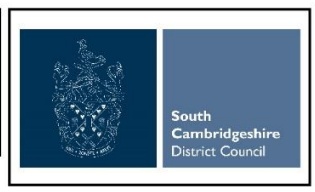


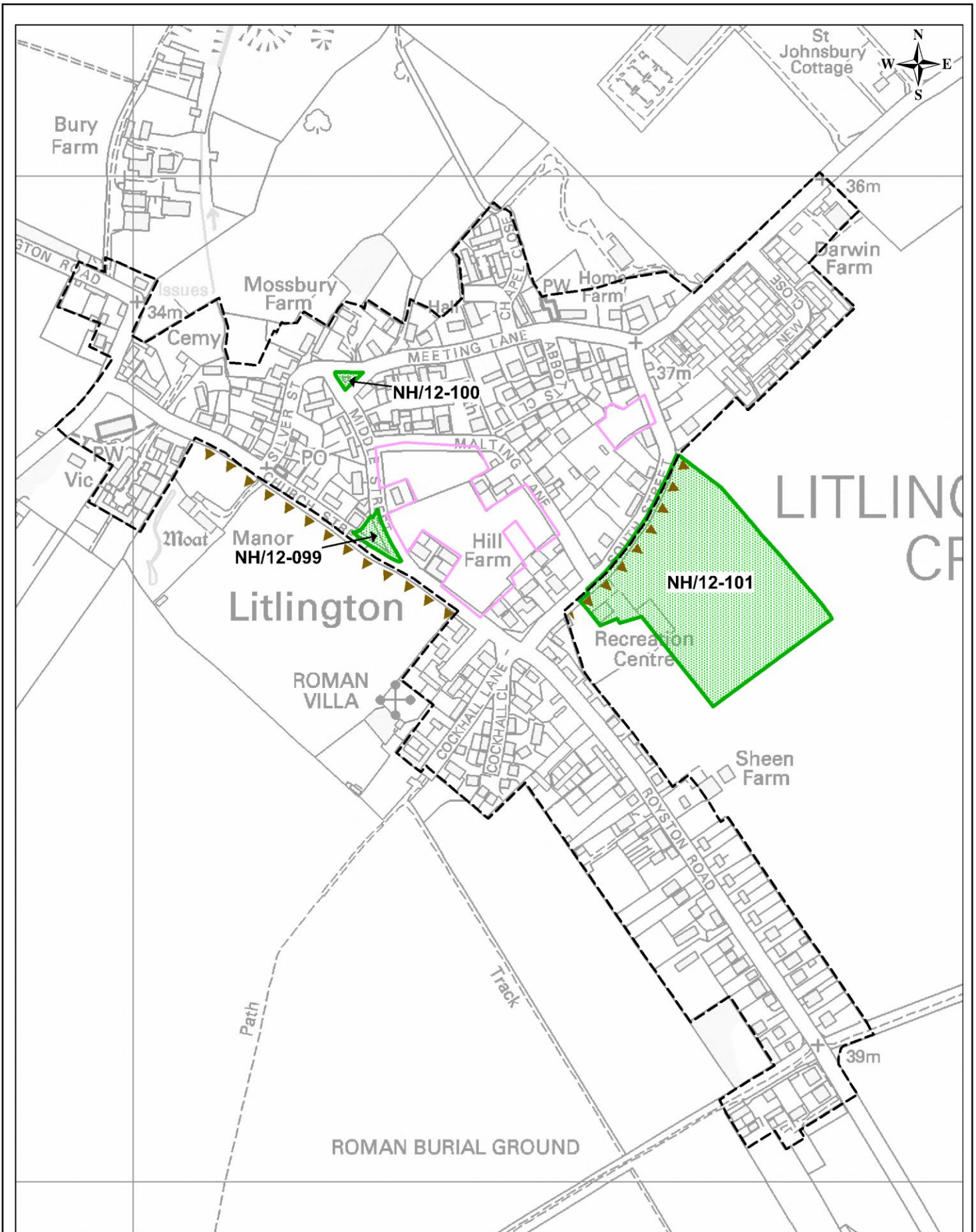
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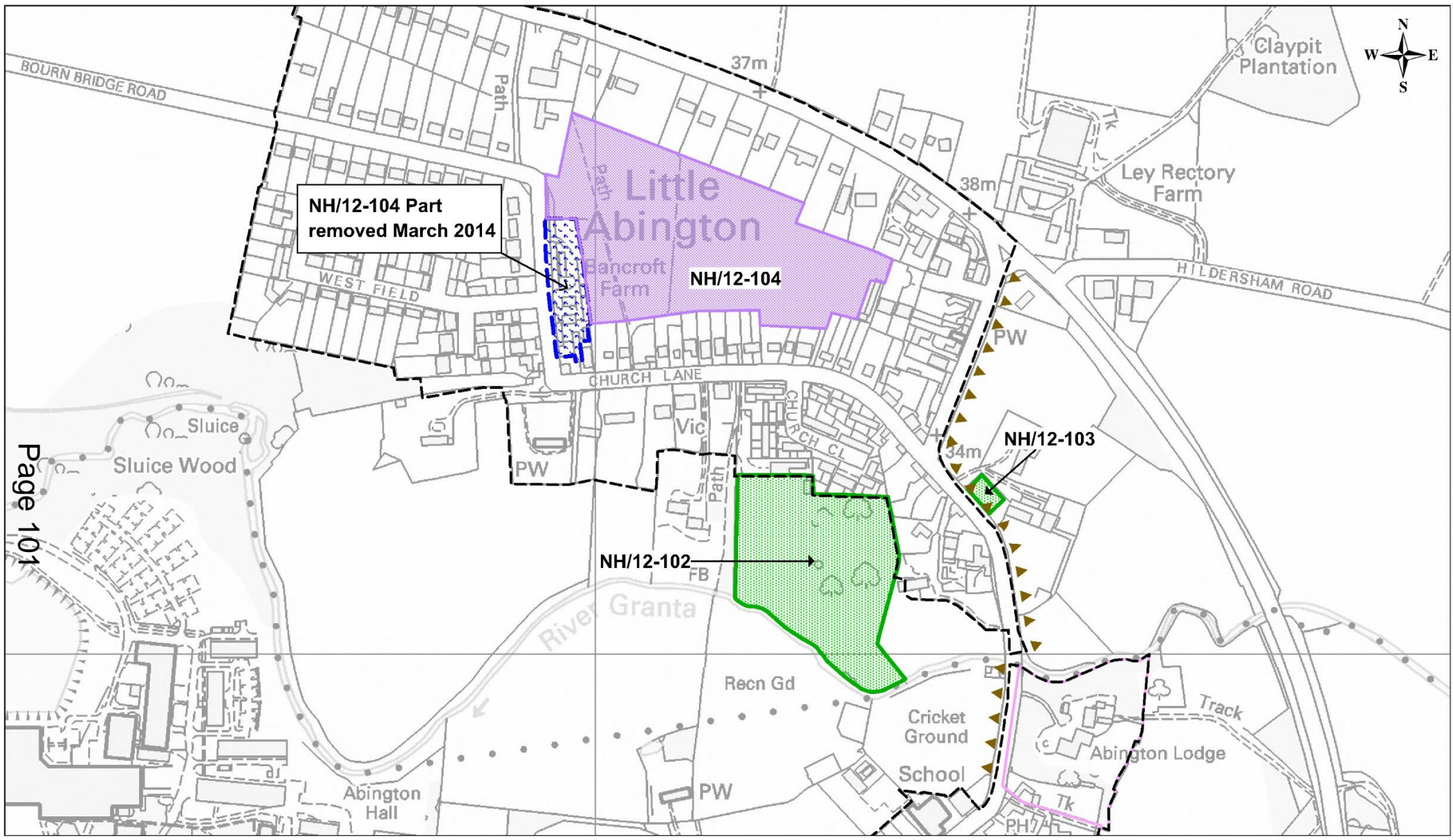


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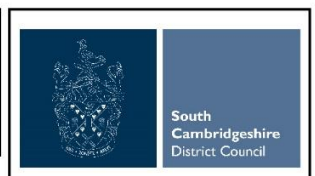


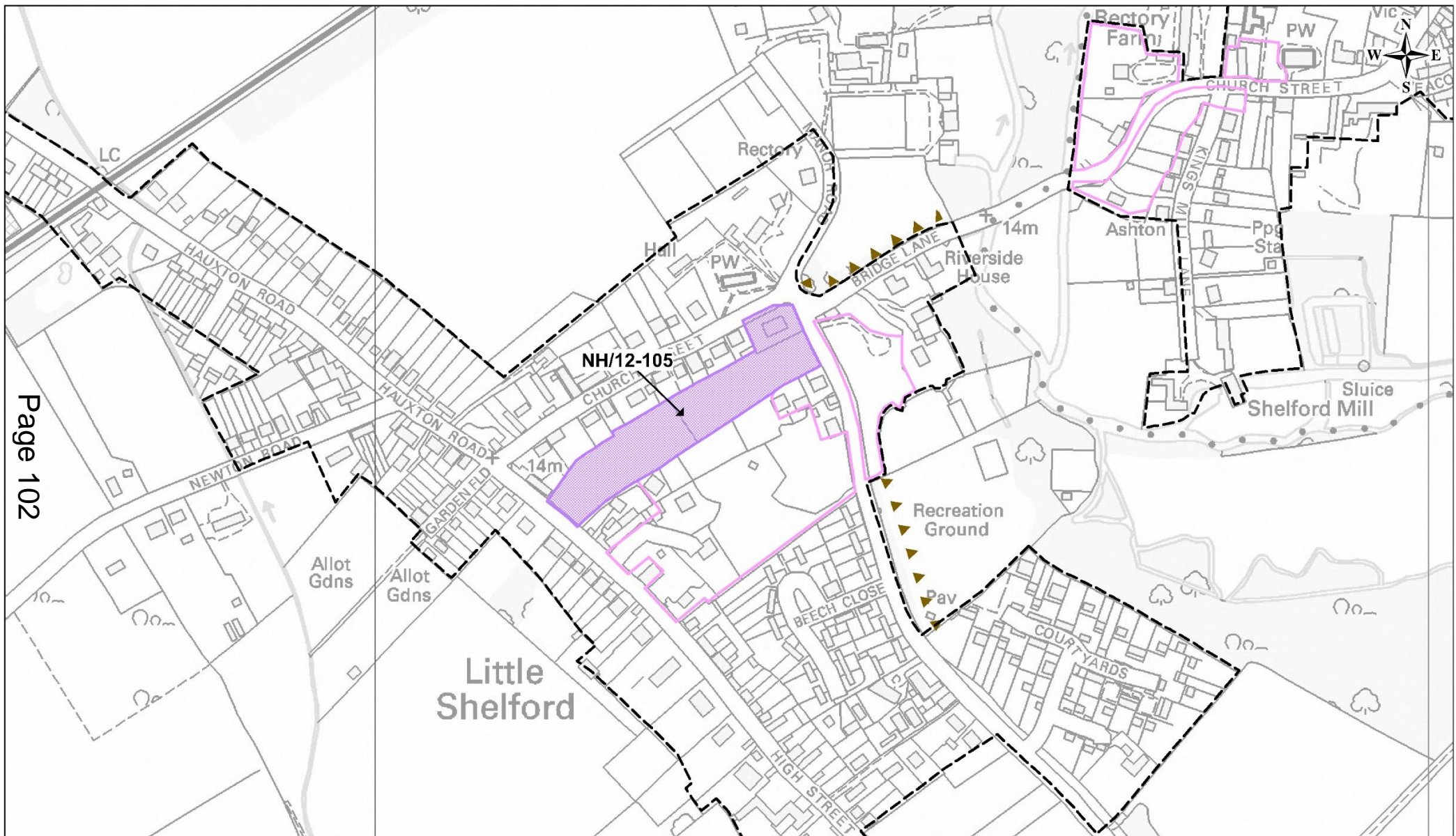
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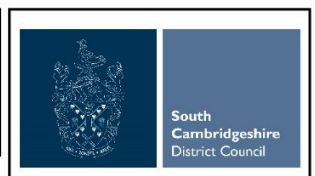
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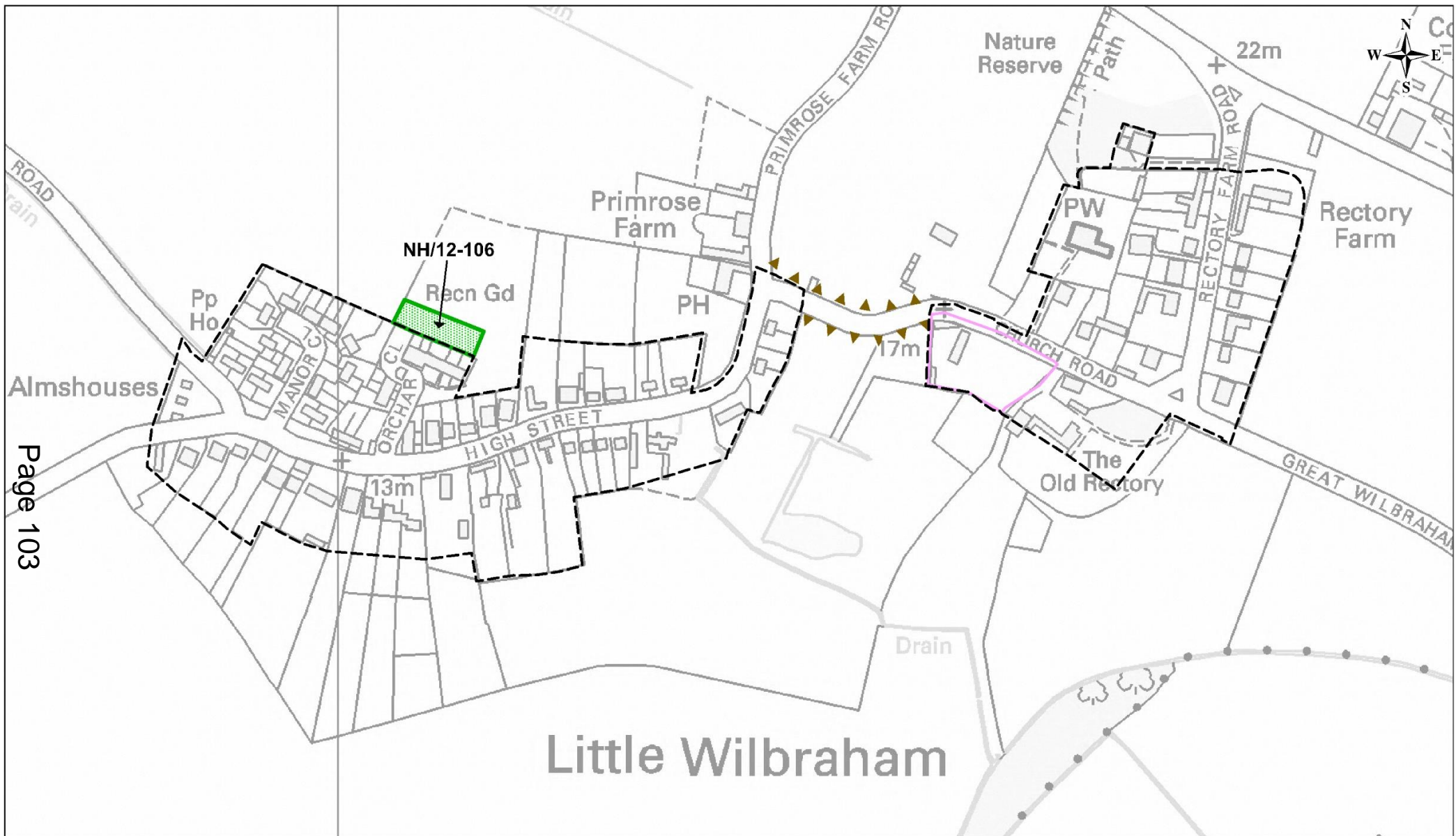


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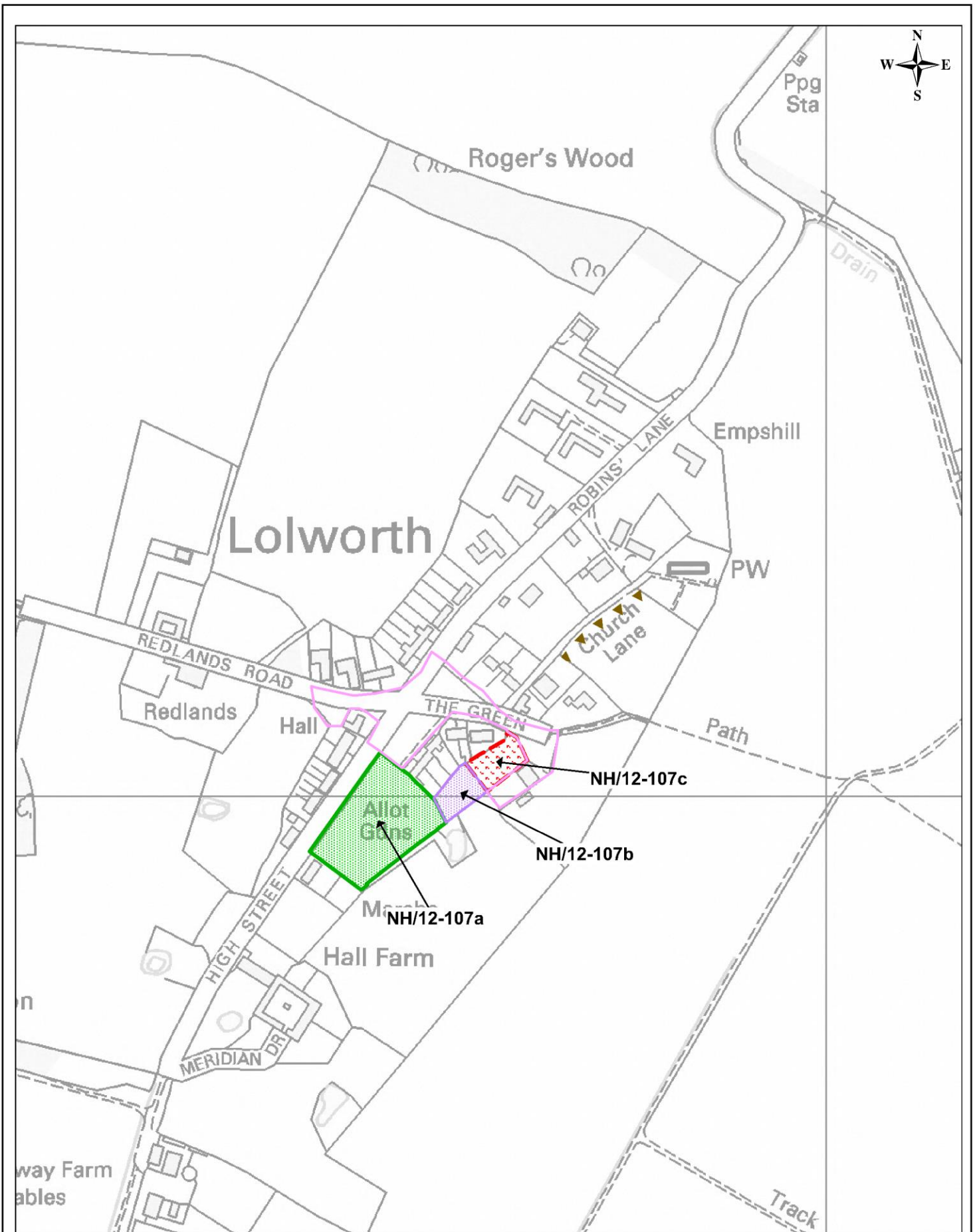
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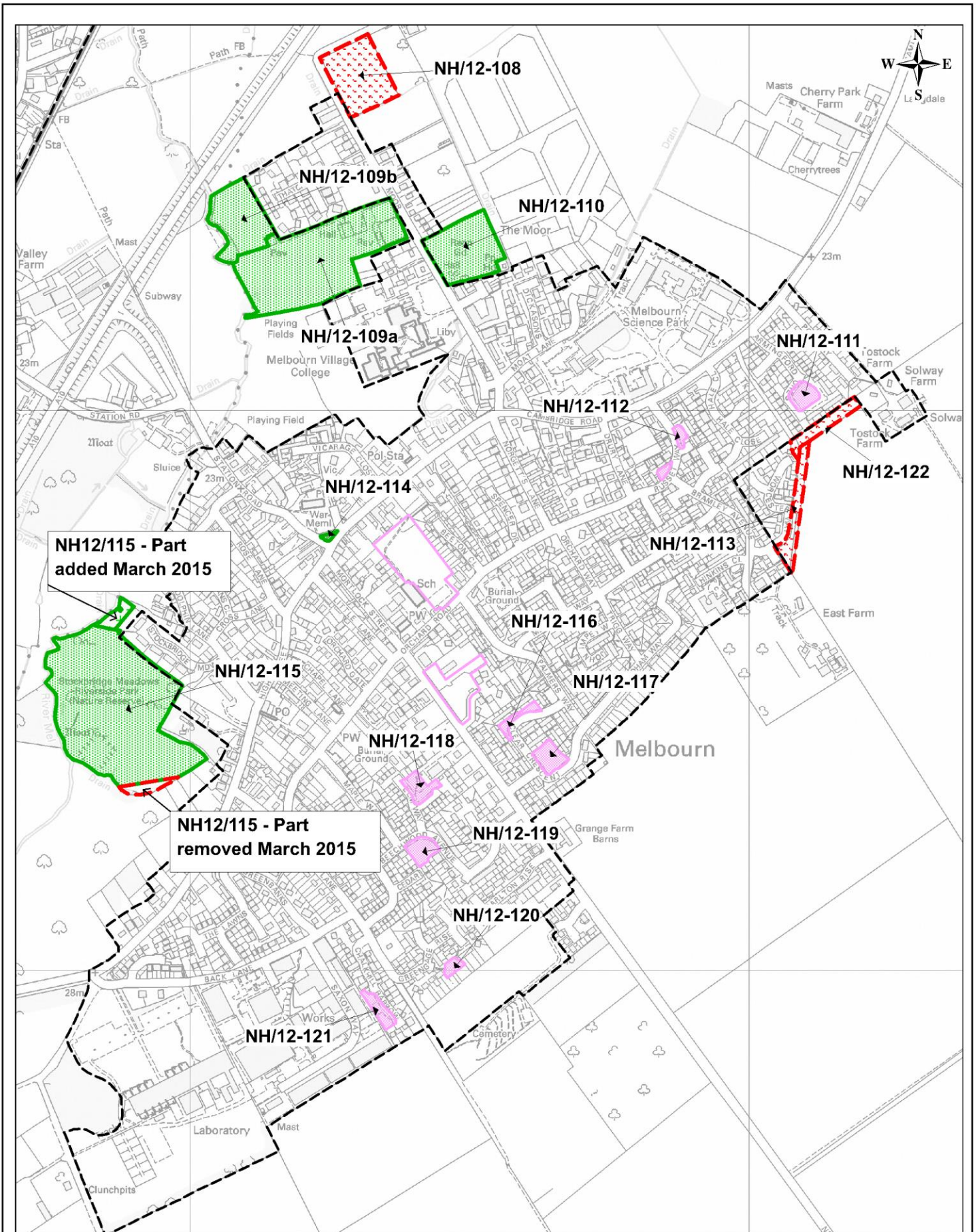
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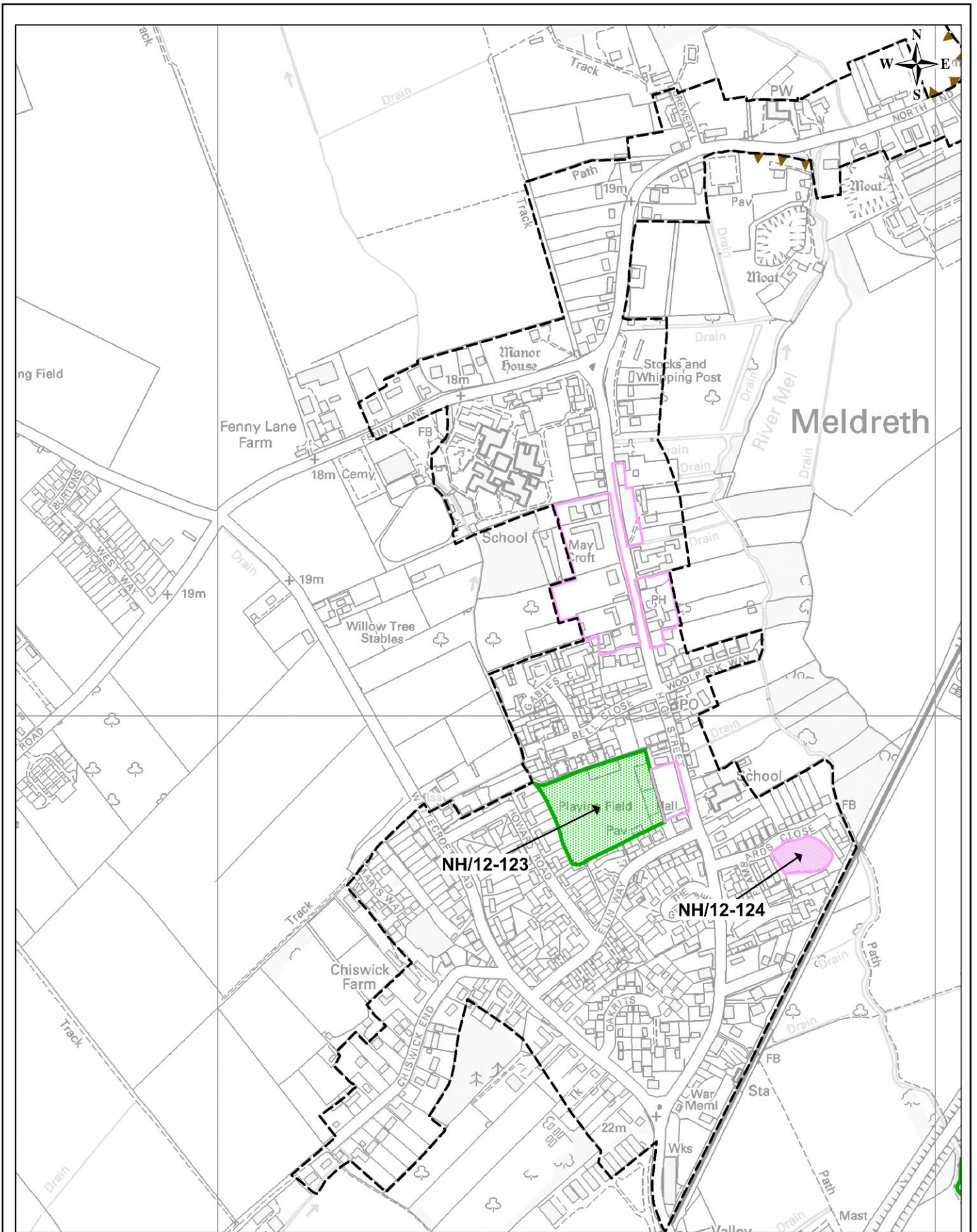
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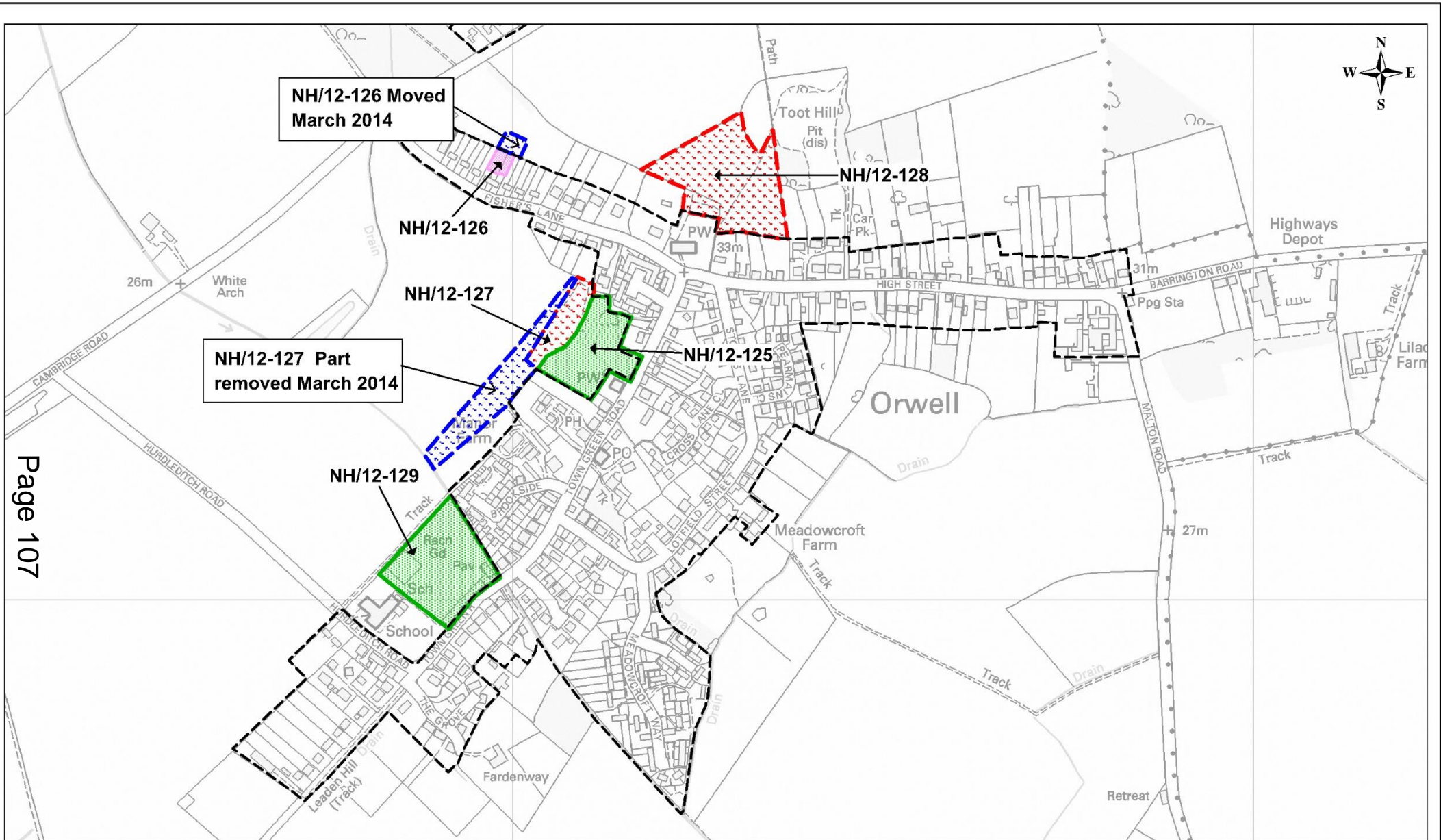


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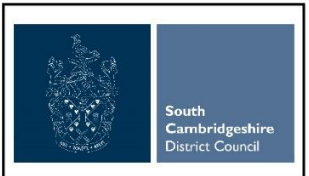


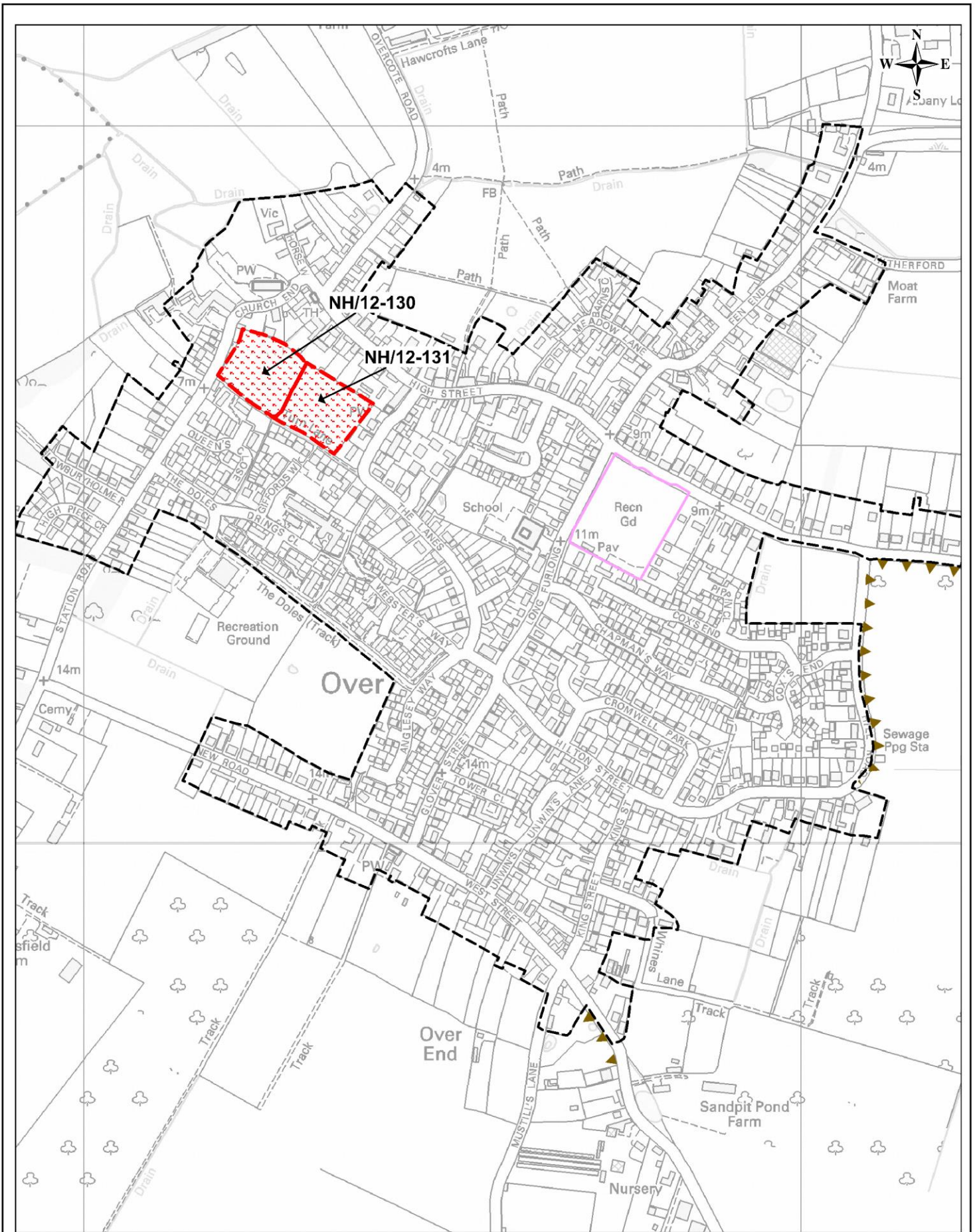
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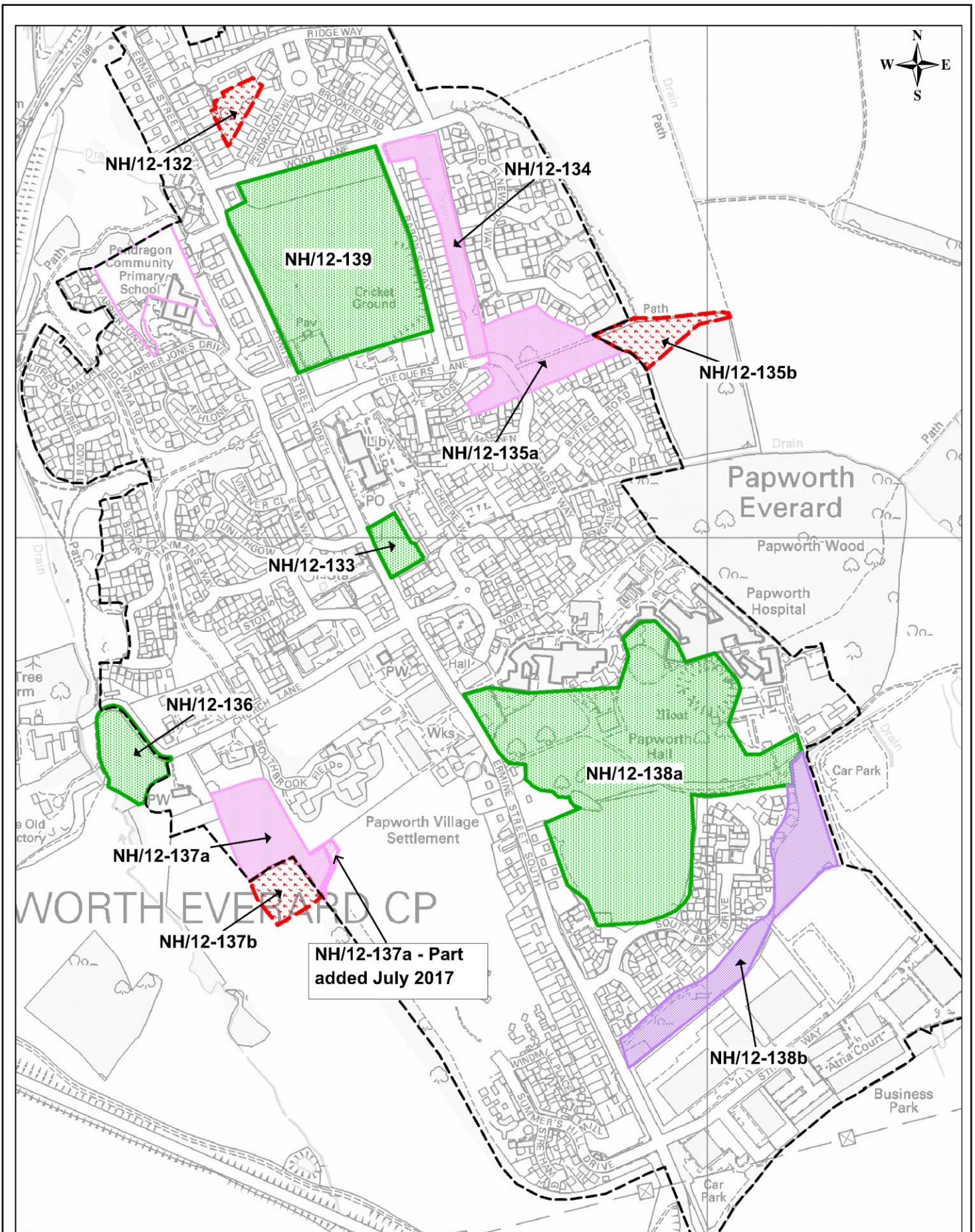
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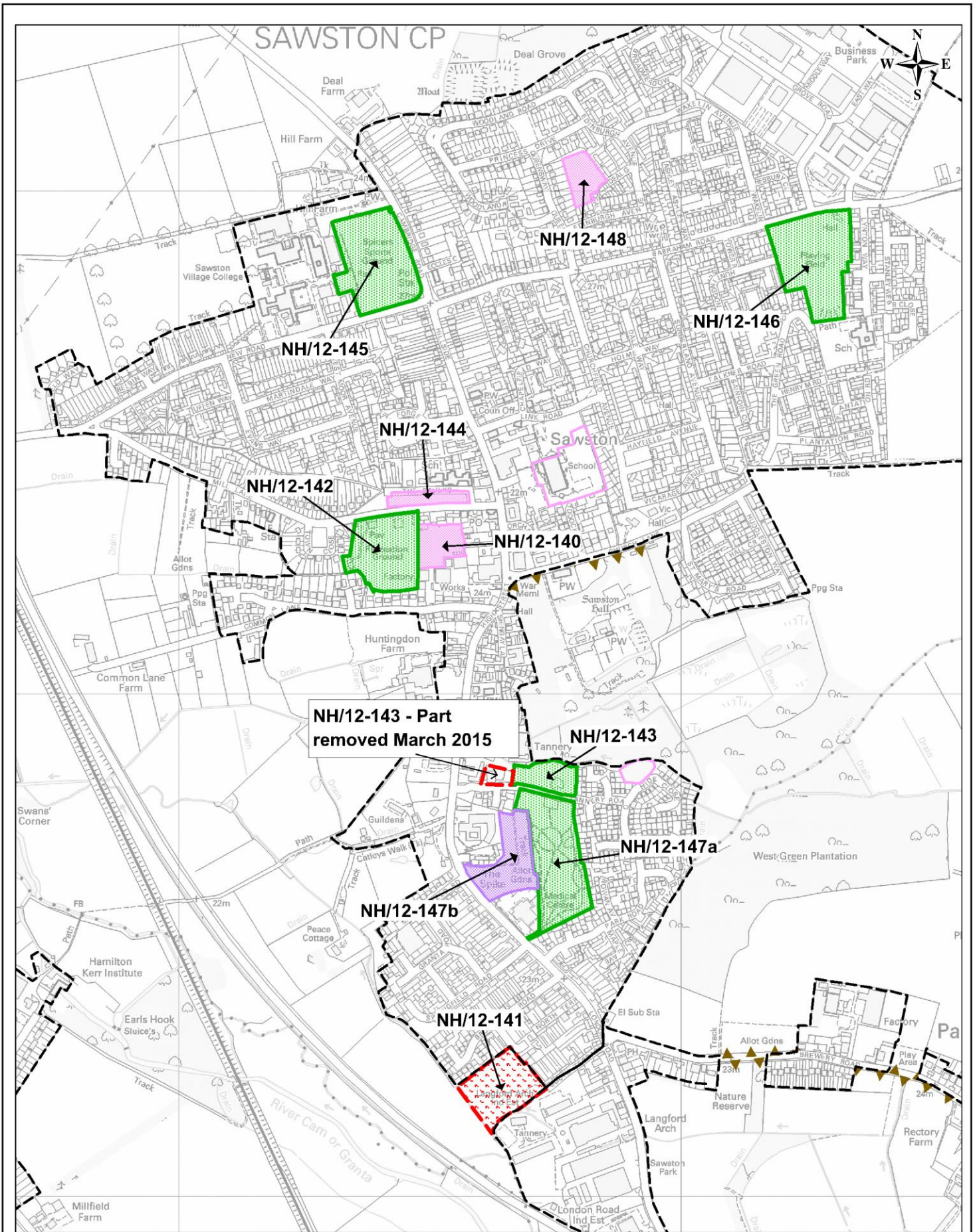


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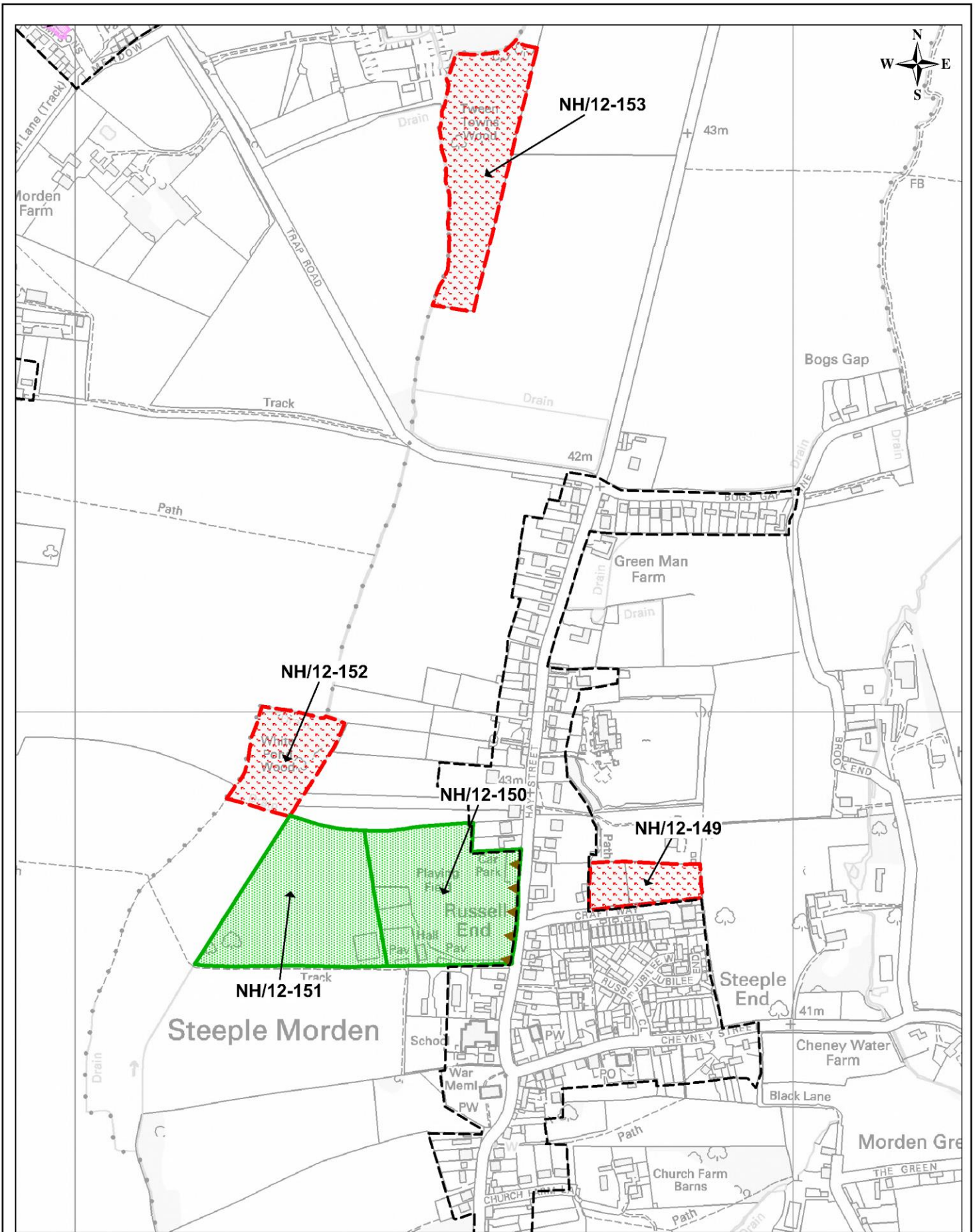


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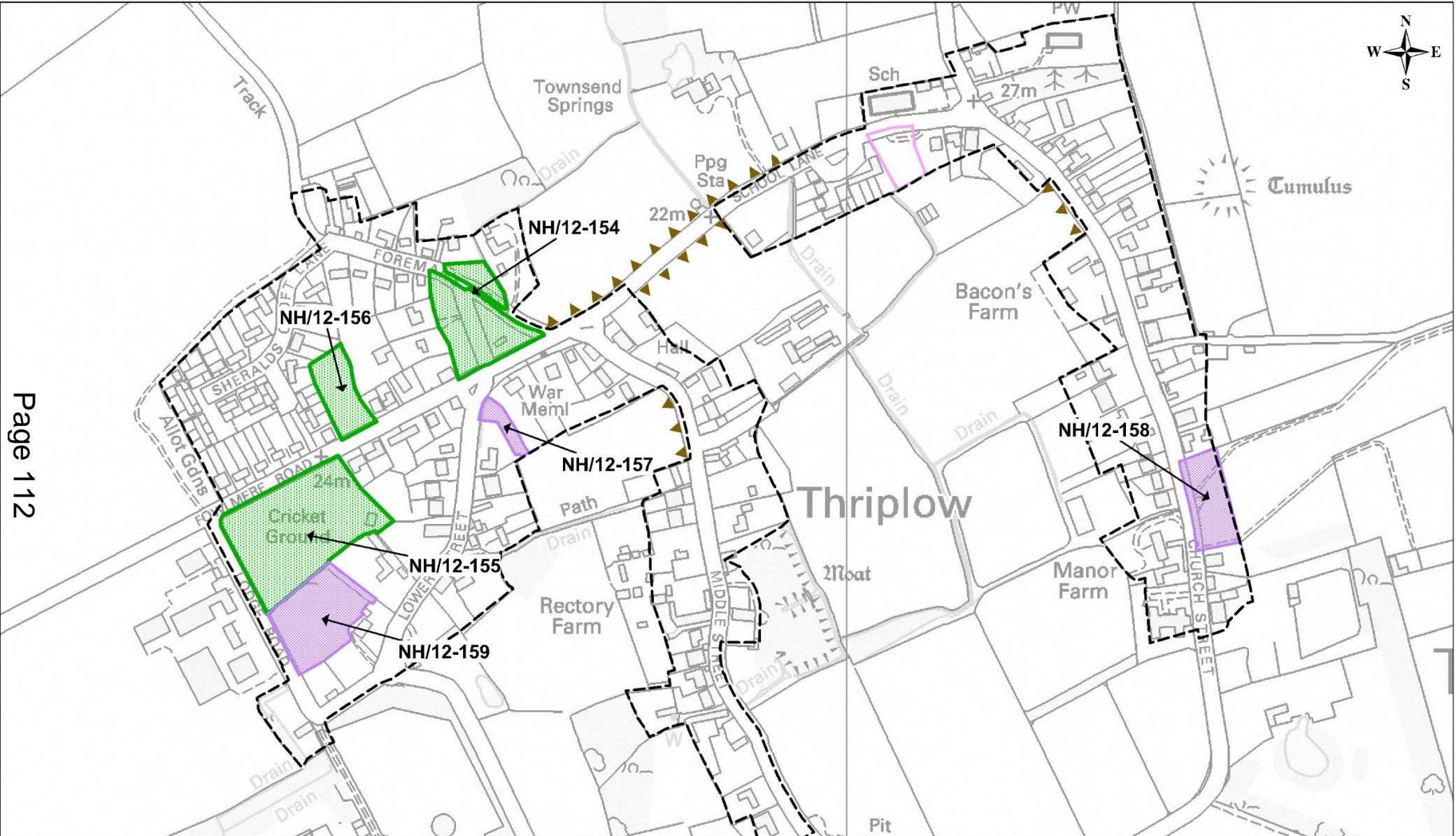
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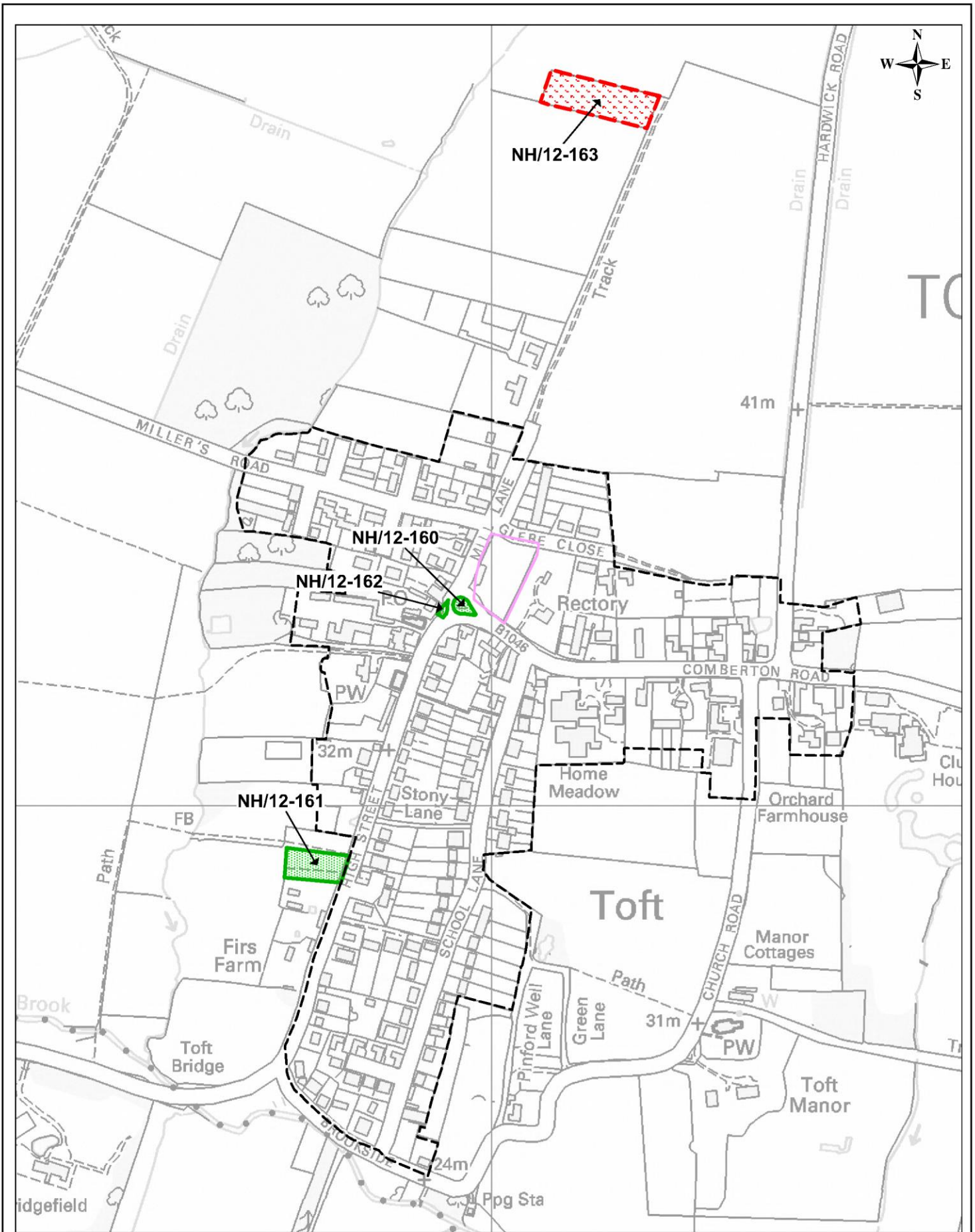


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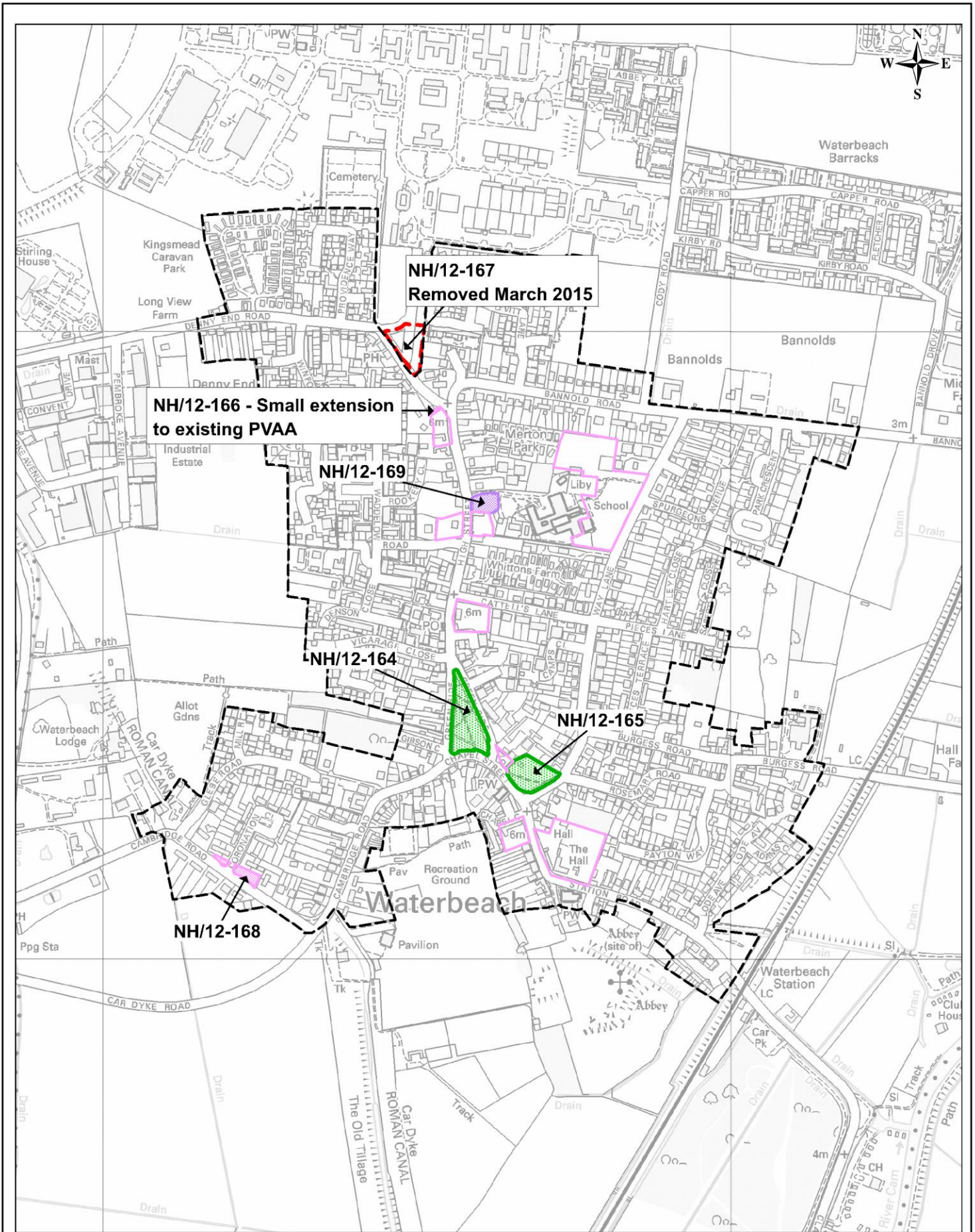
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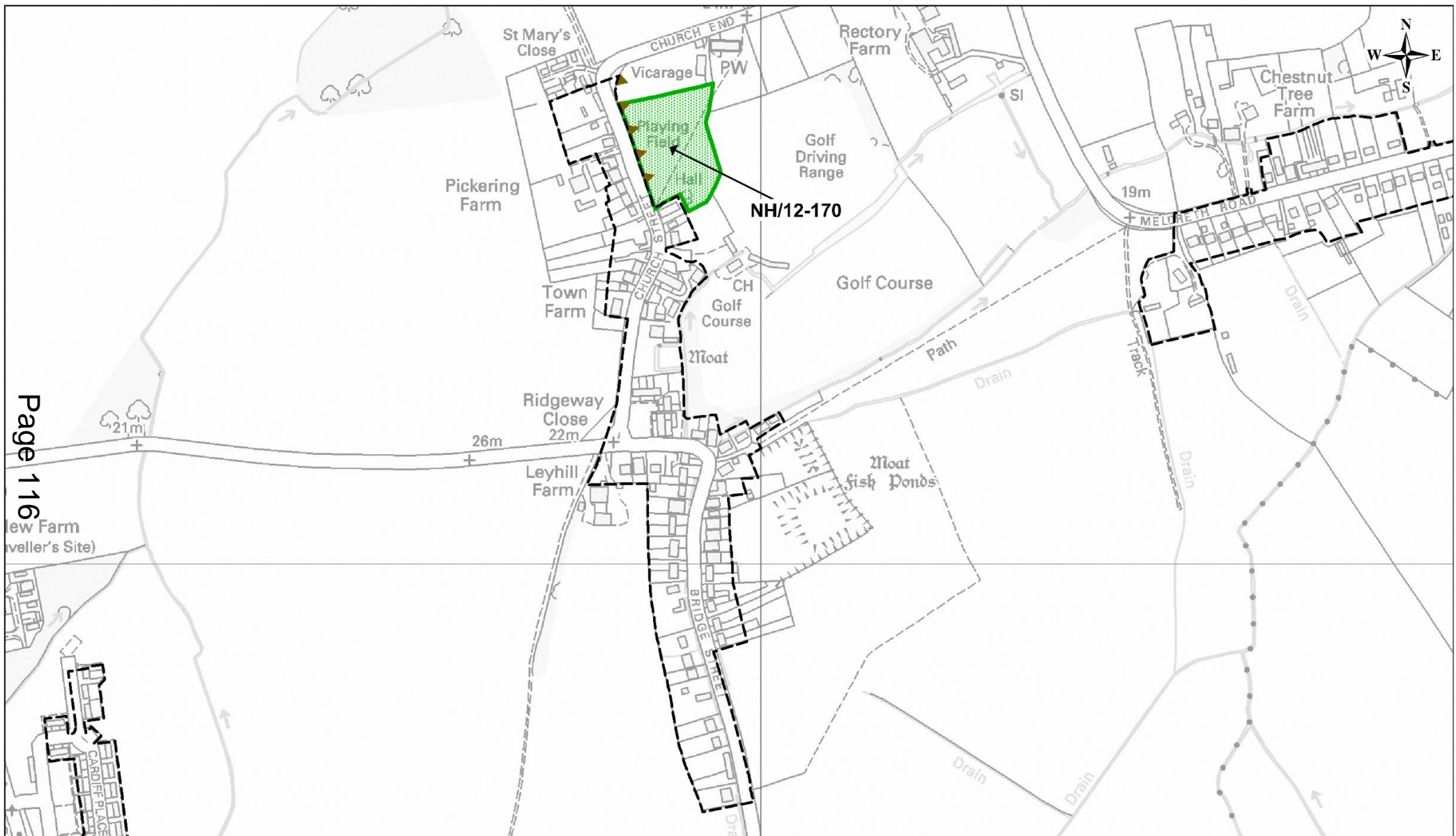
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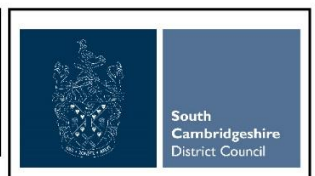


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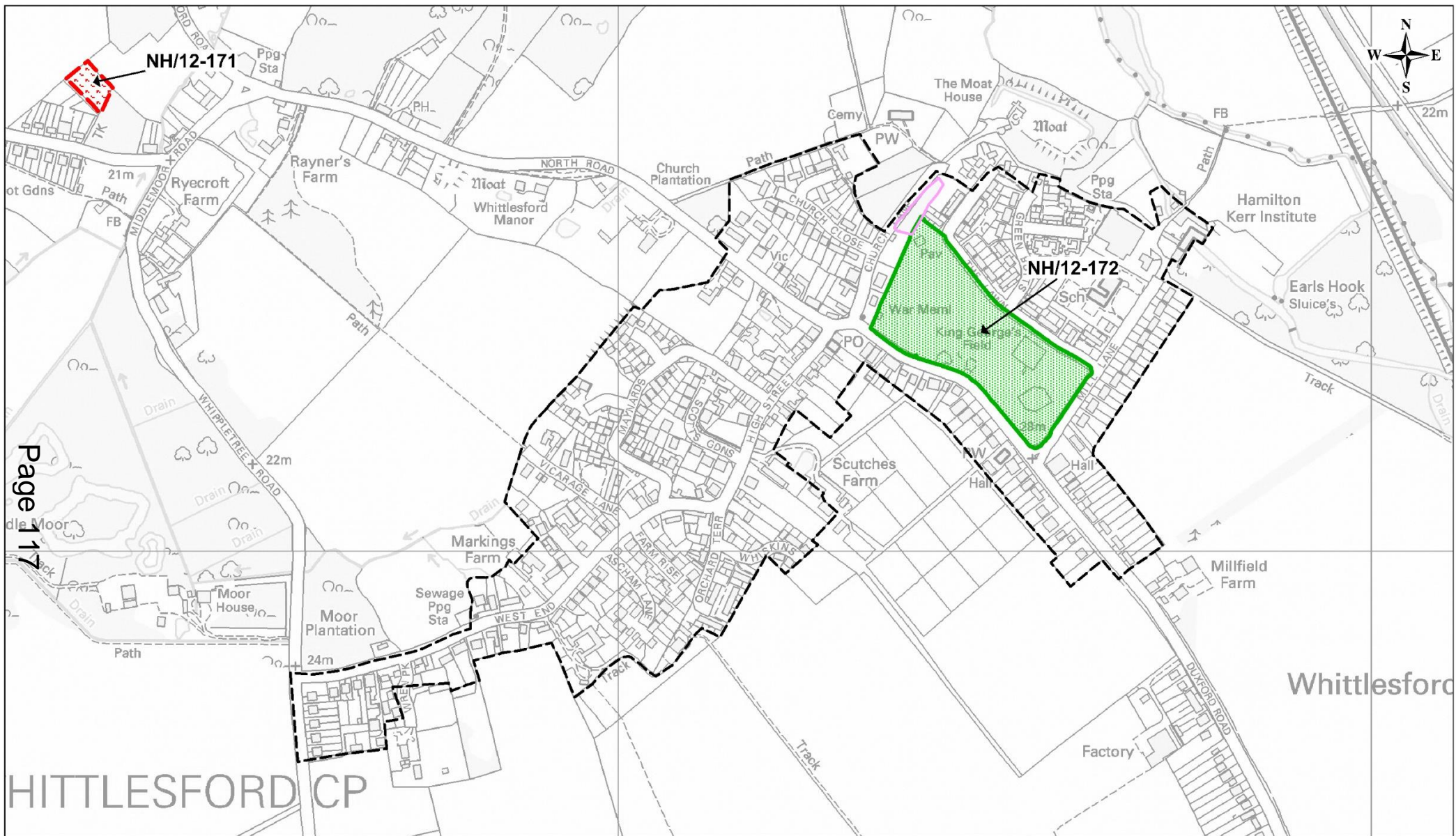
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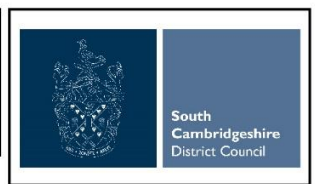
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Maps can be found in Appendix A Appendix 5.

Policy / Paragraph	Local Plan Page	Proposed Modification	Main / Minor	Where has the modification come from?	Has it been subject to consultation?
After Appendix B	263	Add a new Appendix Bb detailing a numbered list of Local Green Space sites.  <i>A list is included at the end of this schedule.</i>  <i>This list has been updated to reflect the modifications below.</i>	Main	Source: This modification results from a decision taken at the Planning Portfolio Holder on 10 March 2015 (RD/CR/620) (Agenda Item 5).	No
Bar Hill Village Map	Inset 3	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace with Protected Village Amenity Area at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Land north of Almond Grove (NH/12-001)</li> <li>• Land east of Acorn Avenue (NH/12-002)</li> <li>• Land north of Appletrees (NH/12-003)</li> <li>• Land north of Little Meadow (NH/12-006)</li> <li>• Land south of Viking Way (NH/12-007)</li> </ul> Delete Local Green Space at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Allotments, south of Saxon Way (NH/12-008)</li> <li>• Green areas bordering each side of the perimeter road (NH/12-010)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	No
Barton Village Map	Inset 8	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace with Protected Village Amenity Area at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hines Close (NH/12-012)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South	No

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				Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	
Bassingbourn Village Map	Inset 9	<p>Delete Local Green Space designation and replace with Protected Village Amenity Area at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elbourn Way South (NH/12-013)</li> <li>• Fortune Way (NH/12-015)</li> </ul> <p>Delete Local Green Space at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elbourn Way North (NH/12-014)</li> <li>• The Rouses (NH/12-016)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	No
Bourn Village Map	Inset 11	<p>Delete Local Green Space designation and replace with Protected Village Amenity Area at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hall Close Playground (inside Village Boundary) (NH/12-019a)</li> <li>• Hall Close Green (NH/12-020)</li> </ul> <p>Delete Local Green Space at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hall Close Playground (outside Village Boundary) (NH/12-19b)</li> <li>• Camping Close (NH/12-022)</li> <li>• Access to Camping Close (NH/12-023)</li> </ul>	Main	<p>Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.</p> <p><i>Note: This an earlier amendment to the boundary of site NH/12-022, was proposed in a modification resulting from a decision taken at the Planning Portfolio Holder on 10 March 2015 (RD/CR/620) (Agenda Item 5).</i></p>	No
Cambourne Village Map	Inset 14	<p>Delete Local Green Space designation and replace with Protected Village Amenity Area at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Land north of Jeavons Lane, north of Monkfield Way (NH/12-025)</li> <li>• Land south of Jeavons Wood Primary School (NH/12-026)</li> <li>• Land east of Sterling Way(NH/12-028)</li> </ul>	Main	<p>Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017</p> <p><i>Note: This supersedes an earlier</i></p>	No

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Land east of Sterling way, north of Brace Dein (NH/12-029)</li> <li>Land north of School Lane, west of Woodfield Lane (NH/12-030)</li> </ul> <p>Delete Local Green Space at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Land north of Great Common Farm, west of Broadway (NH/12-034)</li> <li>Sirius Lake (NH/12-035a)</li> <li>Wamping Willow Lake (NH/12-035b)</li> <li>Land around the west and north west Cambourne (NH/12-035d)</li> <li>South of A428 (NH/12-035f)</li> <li>Honeysuckle Close and Hazel Lane green space (NH/12-036)</li> </ul>		<i>amendment to the boundary of site NH/12-035a, proposed in modification MC/PM/13 and submitted in the Schedule of Major Modifications RD/Sub/SC/030 March 2014</i>	
Comberton Village Map	Inset 21	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace with Protected Village Amenity Area at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Land South of Barton Road (NH/12-038)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	No
Cottenham Village Map	Inset 24	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace with Protected Village Amenity Area at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Land at Victory Way (NH/12-041)</li> <li>Cemetery (NH/12-042)</li> <li>Orchard Close (NH/12-043)</li> <li>Coolidge Gardens (NH/12-044)</li> <li>South of Brenda Gautry Way (NH/12-045)</li> <li>Dunstall Field (NH/12-046)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.  <i>Note: This incorporates an earlier amendment to the boundary of site NH/12-050, proposed in a modification</i>	No

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>West of Sovereign Way (NH/12-047)</li> <li>Land fronting Village college (NH/12-050) (boundary as amended 10 March 2015)</li> </ul> Delete Local Green Space at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allotments (NH/12-049b)</li> <li>Fen Reeves Wood (NH/12-051)</li> <li>Les King Wood (NH/12-052)</li> </ul>		<i>resulting from a decision taken at the Planning Portfolio Holder on 10 March 2015 (RD/CR/620) (Agenda Item 5).</i>	
Duxford Village Map	Inset 28	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace with Protected Village Amenity Area at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Greenacres (NH/12-055)</li> <li>End of Mangers Lane (NH/12-056)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	No
Elsworth Village Map	Inset 29	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace with Protected Village Amenity Area at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Glebe Field (NH/12-060)</li> <li>Grounds of Low Farm (NH/12-061)</li> </ul> Delete Local Green Space at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allotments (NH/12-057)</li> <li>Field between Brockley Road and Brook Street (NH/12-062)</li> <li>Land at south end of Brook Street (NH/12-063)</li> <li>Land at Fardell's Lane (NH/12-064)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	No
Eltisley Village Map	Inset 30	Delete Local Green Space at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allotments for Labouring Poor (NH/12-066)</li> <li>Pocket Park (NH/12-067)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July	No

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Fen Ditton Village Map	Inset 31	Delete Local Green Space at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Paddock, Ditton Lane at the junction with High Ditch Road, (NH/12-068)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	No
Foxton Village Map	Inset 35	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace with Protected Village Amenity Area at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Green Area on Station Road (NH/12-073)</li> </ul> Delete Local Green Space at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allotments (NH/12-070b)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	No
Fulbourn Village Map	Inset 36	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace with Protected Village Amenity Area at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Field between Cox's Drove, Cow Lane and Land adjacent the Horse Pond (land within the village framework) (NH/12-074)</li> </ul> Delete Local Green Space at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Field between Cox's Drove, Cow Lane and Land adjacent the Horse Pond (Land outside the village framework) (NH/12-074)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	No
Gamlingay Village Map	Inset 37	Delete Local Green Space at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Horse Paddocks (NH/12-070b)</li> <li>The Lupin Field (NH/12-070c)</li> </ul> (Note: The Log Field (NH/12-070a) to be retained as LGS)	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	No
Great and	Inset	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12:	Main

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Little Abington Village Map	41	with Protected Village Amenity Area at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Middle of Magna Close (NH/12-077)</li> <li>• Meadows, Bancroft Farm (NH/12- 104) (boundary as amended 10 March 2015)</li> </ul>		Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.  <i>Note: This includes an earlier amendment to the boundary of site NH/12-104, proposed in modification MM/PM/01 and submitted in the Schedule of Major Modifications RD/Sub/SC/030 March 2014</i>	
Guilden Morden Village Map	Inset 47	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace with Protected Village Amenity Area at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Craft (NH/12-079)</li> <li>• Church Meadow (NH/12-080)</li> <li>• Pound Green (NH/12-082)</li> <li>• Thompsons Meadow (NH/12-083)</li> </ul> Delete Local Green Space at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Land between Swan Lane and Pound Green (NH/12-081)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	No
Hardwick Village Map	Inset 48	Delete Local Green Space at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Play area adjacent to the Church (NH/12-084)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	No
Harston Village Map	Inset 50	Amend the Local Green Space boundary on the Harston Village Map to exclude farmland: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Harston – Recreation Ground and orchard</li> </ul>	Minor	Source: This modification was published in Schedule of Proposed Minor Changes following Proposed Submission	No



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		(NH/12-086)		Consultation (March 2014) (RD/Sub/SC/040) as MC/PM/11.	
Haslingfield Village Map	Inset 51	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace with Protected Village Amenity Area at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Manor House (NH/12-087d)</li> </ul> <p>(Note: Wellhouse Meadow (NH/12-087a, Wood (NH/12-087b) and Village Green (NH/12-087c) to be retained as LGS)</p>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	No
Impington Village Map	Inset 58	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace with Protected Village Amenity Area at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>East of New Road (NH/12-089)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	No
Ickleton Village Map	Inset 61	Delete Local Green Space at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Driver's Meadow (NH/12-091)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	No
Kingston Village Map	Inset 62	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace with Protected Village Amenity Area at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Green (NH/12-092b)</li> <li>Rectory Lane (NH/12-094b)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.  <i>Note: An earlier amendment to remove LGS from part of site NH/12-094 (now NH/12-094b), proposed in a modification resulting from a decision taken at the</i>	No

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				<i>Planning Portfolio Holder on 10 March 2015 (RD/CR/620) (Agenda Item 5). The modification proposes that this should become a PVAA.</i>	
Linton Village Map	Inset 67	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace with Protected Village Amenity Area at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Glebe Land (NH/12-098)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.  <i>Note: This modification to include land as PVAA reflects an earlier amendment to site NH/12-098, proposed in a modification resulting from a decision taken at the Planning Portfolio Holder on 10 March 2015 (RD/CR/620) (Agenda Item 5).</i>	No
Little Shelford Village Map	Inset 70	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace with Protected Village Amenity Area at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Camping Close, Camping Field (NH/12-105)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	No
Lolworth Village Map	Inset 72	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace with Protected Village Amenity Area at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allotments (NH/12-107b)</li> </ul> Delete Local Green Space at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Land at Cuckoo Lane (NH/12-107c)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	No
Melbourn	Inset	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12:	No

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Village Map	76	<p>with Protected Village Amenity Area at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recreational Green, Armingford Crescent (NH/12-111)</li> <li>• Recreational Green, Russet Way (NH/12-112)</li> <li>• Recreational Green, Clear Crescent (NH/12-116)</li> <li>• Play Park, Clear Crescent (NH/12-117)</li> <li>• Recreational Green, Elm Way (NH/12-118)</li> <li>• Recreational Green, Beechwood Avenue (NH/12-119)</li> <li>• Recreational Green, Greengage Rise (NH/12-120)</li> <li>• Recreational Green, Chalkhill Barrow (NH/12-121)</li> </ul> <p>Delete Local Green Space at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Allotments, The Moor, (NH/12-108)</li> <li>• Recreational Green and wood, Worcester Way (NH/12-113)</li> <li>• Land between Worcester Way and Armingford Crescent (NH/12-122)</li> </ul> <p>Amendment to the boundary of a LGS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stockbridge Meadows, Dolphin Lane (NH/12-115) to exclude a triangle of land on the southern boundary and include an additional area to the north.</li> </ul>		<p>Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.</p> <p>Modification to site NH/12-115 results from decision taken at the Planning Portfolio Holder on 10 March 2015 (RD/CR/620) (Agenda Item 5).</p>	
Meldreth	Inset	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12:	No

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Village Map	77	with Protected Village Amenity Area at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Flambards Green (NH/12-124)</li> </ul>		Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	
Orwell Village Map	Inset 83	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace with Protected Village Amenity Area at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allotments at Fishers Lane (NH/12-126)</li> </ul> Delete Local Green Space at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chapel Orchard Allotments (NH/12-127)</li> <li>Glebe Field, behind St Andrews Church (NH/12-128)</li> </ul> Amendment to the boundary of a LGS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chapel Orchard (NH/12-125) to exclude farmland.</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.  <i>Note: This includes earlier amendments to sites NH/12-125 and NH/12-126 to exclude farmland, proposed in modification MC/PM/12 and submitted in the Schedule of Major Modifications RD/Sub/SC/030 March 2014</i>	No
Over Village Map	Inset 84	Delete Local Green Space at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Station Road/Turn Lane (NH/12-130)</li> <li>Land to rear of The Lane (NH/12-131)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	No
Papworth Everard Village Map	Inset 86	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace with Protected Village Amenity Area at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Baron's Way Wood (NH/12-134)</li> <li>Rectory Woods (inside Village Boundary) (NH/12-135a)</li> <li>Summer's Hill Open Space (inside Village Boundary) (NH/12-137a)</li> <li>Papworth Hall (small finger of land) (NH/12-</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	No

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		138b)  Delete Local Green Space at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wood behind Pendragon Hill (NH/12-132)</li> <li>• Rectory Woods (outside Village Boundary) (NH/12-135b)</li> <li>• Summer's Hill Open Space (outside Village Boundary) (NH/137b)</li> </ul>			
Sawston Village Map	Inset 89	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace with Protected Village Amenity Area at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Challis Garden, Mill Lane (NH/12-142)</li> <li>• Butlers Green (NH/12-144)</li> <li>• Orchard Park allotments (NH/12-147b)</li> <li>• Deal Grove (NH/12-148)</li> </ul> Delete Local Green Space at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Spike Playing Field, South Terrace (NH/12-141)</li> </ul> Amendment to the boundary of a LGS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sawston - Millennium Copse (NH/12-143) to exclude land within the nursery.</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.  Modification to Site NH/12-143 results from decision taken at the Planning Portfolio Holder on 10 March 2015 (RD/CR/620) (Agenda Item 5).	No
Steeple Morden Village Map	Inset 95	Delete Local Green Space at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ransom Strip, Craft Way (NH/12-149)</li> <li>• White Ponds Wood (NH/12-152)</li> <li>• Tween Town Wood (NH/12-153)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	No
Thriplow	Inset	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12:	No

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Village Map	102	with Protected Village Amenity Area at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Spinney (NH/12-157)</li> <li>• Open Land, Church Street (NH/12-158)</li> <li>• Dower House Woodland Area (NH/12-159)</li> </ul>		Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	
Toft Village Map	Inset 103	Delete Local Green Space at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Allotments (NH/12-163)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	No
Waterbeach Village Map	Inset 104	Delete Local Green Space designation and replace with Protected Village Amenity Area at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Old Pond Site (NH/12- 166)</li> <li>• Coronation Close (NH/12- 168)</li> <li>• School frontage (NH/12-169)</li> </ul> Delete Local Green Space at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Waterbeach - Barracks Frontage (NH/12-167)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.  Modification to delete Site NH/12-167 results from decision taken at the Planning Portfolio Holder on 10 March 2015 (RD/CR/620) (Agenda Item 5).	No
Whittlesford Village Map	Inset 109	Delete Local Green Space at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Baron's Way Wood (NH/12-171)</li> </ul>	Main	Source: Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings - South Cambridgeshire District Council - July 2017.	No

**List of Local Green Space sites to be included in a new Appendix Bb**

~~NH/12-001 - Land north of Almond Grove, Bar Hill~~  
~~NH/12-002 - Land east of Acorn Avenue, Bar Hill~~  
~~NH/12-003 - Land north of Appletrees, Bar Hill~~  
 NH/12-004 - Village Green, Bar Hill  
 NH/12-005 - Recreation Ground, Bar Hill  
~~NH/12-006 - Land north of Little Meadow, Bar Hill~~  
~~NH/12-007 - Land south of Viking Way, Bar Hill~~  
~~NH/12-008 - Allotments, south of Saxon Way, Bar Hill~~  
 NH/12-009 - Land south of Saxon Way, Bar Hill  
~~NH/12-010 - Green areas bordering each side of the perimeter road, Bar Hill~~  
 NH/12-011 - Church Close Nature Reserve, Barton  
~~NH/12-012 - Hines Close, Barton~~  
~~NH/12-013 - Elbourn Way South, Bassingbourn~~  
~~NH/12-014 - Elbourn Way North, Bassingbourn~~  
~~NH/12-015 - Fortune Way, Bassingbourn~~  
~~NH/12-016 - The Rouses, Bassingbourn~~  
 NH/12-017 - Ford Wood, Bassingbourn  
 NH/12-018 - Recreation Ground, Bassingbourn  
 NH/12-019~~a~~ - Hall Close Playground (**inside Village Boundary**), Bourn  
 NH/12-019~~b~~ - Hall Close Playground (**outside Village Boundary**), Bourn  
~~NH/12-020 - Hall Close Green, Bourn~~  
 NH/12-021 - Jubilee Recreation Ground, Bourn  
~~NH/12-022 - Camping Close, Bourn~~  
~~NH/12-023 - Access to Camping Close, Bourn~~  
 NH/12-024 - Caldecote, Recreation Ground  
~~NH/12-025 - Land north of Jeavons Lane, north of Monkfield Way, Cambourne~~  
~~NH/12-026 - Land south of Jeavons Wood Primary School, Cambourne~~  
 NH/12-027 - Cambourne Recreation Ground, Back Lane, Cambourne  
~~NH/12-028 - Land east of Sterling Way, Cambourne~~  
~~NH/12-029 - Land east of Sterling way, north of Brace Dein, Cambourne~~  
~~NH/12-030 - Land north of School Lane, west of Woodfield Lane, Cambourne~~  
 NH/12-031 - Land east of Greenbank, Cambourne

NH/12-032 - Land north of School Lane, west of Broad Street, Cambourne  
 NH/12-033 - Cambourne Recreation Ground, Back Lane, Cambourne  
 NH/12-034 - Land north of Grean Common Farm, west of Broadway, Cambourne  
~~NH/12-035 - Large areas within village and around edge of village, Cambourne~~  
**NH/12-035a - Sirius Lake**  
**NH/12-035b - Wamping Willow Lake**  
**NH/12-035c - Crow Hill (Country Park)**  
~~**NH/12-035d - Land around the west and north west**~~  
**NH/12-035e - Oaks Wood (Eco Park)**  
~~**NH/12-035f - South of A428**~~  
**NH/12-035g - Pitches next to Cambourne Sports Centre**  
~~NH/12-036 - Honeysuckle Close and Hazel Lane green space, Cambourne~~  
 NH/12-037 - The Old Market Place, Caxton  
~~NH/12-038 - Land South of Barton Road, Comberton~~  
 NH/12-039 - All Saints Church, Cottenham  
 NH/12-040 - Broad Lane - High Street Junction, Cottenham  
~~NH/12-041 - Land at Victory Way, Cottenham~~  
~~NH/12-042 - Cemetery, Cottenham~~  
~~NH/12-043 - Orchard Close, Cottenham~~  
~~NH/12-044 - Coolidge Gardens, Cottenham~~  
~~NH/12-045 - South of Brenda Gautry Way, Cottenham~~  
~~NH/12-046 - Dunstall Field, Cottenham~~  
~~NH/12-047 - West of Sovereign Way, Cottenham~~  
 NH/12-047 - West of Sovereign Way, Cottenham  
 NH/12-048a - Old Recreation Ground, Cottenham  
**NH/12-048b - Broad Lane Amenity Area, Cottenham**  
 NH/12-049a - Recreation Ground and Playing Fields, Cottenham  
**NH/12-049b - Allotments, Cottenham**  
~~NH/12-050 - Land in front of Village College, Cottenham~~  
~~NH/12-051 - Fen Reeves Wood, Cottenham~~  
~~NH/12-052 - Les King Wood, Cottenham~~  
 NH/12-053 - Village Green, Cottenham



NH/12-054 - Village Green, Dry Drayton  
~~NH/12-055 - Greenacres, Duxford~~  
~~NH/12-056 - End of Mangers Lane, Duxford~~  
~~NH/12-057 - Allotments, Elsworth~~  
 NH/12-058 - Fardells Lane Nature Reserve, Elsworth  
 NH/12-059 - Grass Close, Elsworth  
~~NH/12-060 - Globe Field, Elsworth~~  
~~NH/12-061 - Grounds of Low Farm, Elsworth~~  
~~NH/12-062 - Field between Brockley Road and Brook Street, Elsworth~~  
~~NH/12-063 - Land at south end of Brook Street, Elsworth~~  
 NH/12-064 - Land at Fardell's Lane, Elsworth  
 NH/12-065 - Village Green, Eltisley  
~~NH/12-066 - Allotments for Labouring Poor, Eltisley~~  
~~NH/12-067 - Pocket Park, Eltisley~~  
~~NH/12-068 - Paddock, Ditton Lane at the junction with High Ditch Road, Fen Ditton~~  
 NH/12-069 - Village Green, Fen Ditton  
 NH/12-070a - Recreation Ground, Foxton  
**NH/12-070b - Allotments, Foxton**  
 NH/12-071 - The Green, Foxton  
 NH/12-072 - Dovecote Meadow, Foxton  
~~NH/12-073 - Green Area on Station Road, Foxton~~  
~~NH/12-074 - Field between Cox's Drove, Cow Lane and Land adjacent the Horse Pond, Fulbourn~~  
 NH/12-075 - Victorian garden, Fulbourn  
**NH/12-076a - Log Field, Gamlingay**  
**NH/12-076b - The Horse Paddocks, Gamlingay**  
~~NH/12-076c - Lupin Field, Gamlingay~~  
~~NH/12-077 - Middle of Magna Close, Great Abington~~  
 NH/12-078 - Recreation Ground, Guilden Morden  
~~NH/12-079 - The Craft, Guilden Morden~~  
~~NH/12-080 - Church Meadow, Guilden Morden~~  
~~NH/12-081 - Land between Swan Lane and Pound Green, Guilden Morden~~  
~~NH/12-082 - Pound Green, Guilden Morden~~

~~NH/12-083 - Thompsons Meadow, Guilden Morden~~  
~~NH/12-084 - Play area adjacent to the Church, Hardwick~~  
~~NH/12-085 - Recreation ground in Egremont Road, Hardwick~~  
~~NH/12-086 - Recreation Ground, Harston~~  
~~NH/12-087a - Welhouse Meadow, Haslingfield~~  
**NH/12-087b - Wood, Haslingfield**  
**NH/12-087c - Village Green, Haslingfield**  
**NH/12-087d - The Manor House, Haslingfield**  
~~NH/12-088 - Willow Way Recreation Ground, Hauxton~~  
~~NH/12-089 - East of New Road, Impington~~  
~~NH/12-090 - Ickleton, Village Green (opposite the church)~~  
~~NH/12-091 - Driver's Meadow, Ickleton~~  
~~NH/12-092a - Village Green, Kingston~~  
**NH/12-092b - The Green, Kingston**  
~~NH/12-093 - Field Road Green, Kingston~~  
~~NH/12-094a - Village Orchard, Kingston~~  
**NH/12-094b - Rectory Lane, Kingston**  
~~NH/12-095 - Playground, Kingston~~  
~~NH/12-096 - Recreation Ground, Linton~~  
~~NH/12-097 - Village Green (Camping Close), Linton~~  
~~NH/12-098 - Glebe Land, Linton~~  
~~NH/12-099 - Village Green, Litlington~~  
~~NH/12-100 - St. Peters Hill, Litlington~~  
~~NH/12-101 - Recreation Ground, Litlington~~  
~~NH/12-102 - Scout Camp Site, Church Lane, Little Abington~~  
~~NH/12-103 - Bowling Green, High Street, Little Abington~~  
~~NH/12-104 - Meadows, Bancroft Farm, Little Abington~~  
~~NH/12-105 - Camping Close, Camping Field, Little Shelford~~  
~~NH/12-106 - Recreation Ground, Little Wilbraham~~  
~~NH/12-107a - Recreation Ground~~  
~~NH/12-107b - Allotments, Lolworth~~  
~~NH/12-107c - Land at Cuckoo Lane, Lolworth~~

~~NH/12-108 - Allotments, The Moor, Melbourn~~  
~~NH/12-109a - New Recreation Ground and Millennium Copse, The Moor, Melbourn~~  
**NH/12-109b - Millennium Copse, The Moor, Melbourn**  
~~NH/12-110 - Old Recreation Ground, The Moor, Melbourn~~  
~~NH/12-111 - Recreational Green, Armingford Crescent, Melbourn~~  
~~NH/12-112 - Recreational Green, Russet Way, Melbourn~~  
~~NH/12-113 - Recreational Green and wood, Worcester Way, Melbourn~~  
~~NH/12-114 - The Cross, High Street, Melbourn~~  
~~NH/12-115 - Stockbridge Meadows, Dolphin Lane, Melbourn~~  
~~NH/12-116 - Recreational Green, Clear Crescent, Melbourn~~  
~~NH/12-117 - Play Park, Clear Crescent, Melbourn~~  
~~NH/12-118 - Recreational Green, Elm Way, Melbourn~~  
~~NH/12-119 - Recreational Green, Beechwood Avenue, Melbourn~~  
~~NH/12-120 - Recreational Green, Greengage Rise, Melbourn~~  
~~NH/12-121 - Recreational Green, Chalkhill Barrow, Melbourn~~  
~~NH/12-122 - Land between Worcester Way and Armingford Crescent, Melbourn~~  
~~NH/12-123 - Recreation Ground, Meldreth~~  
~~NH/12-124 - Flambards Green, Meldreth~~  
~~NH/12-125 - Chapel Orchard, Orwell~~  
~~NH/12-125 - Chapel Orchard, Orwell~~  
~~NH/12-126 - Allotments at Fishers Lane, Orwell~~  
~~NH/12-127 - Chapel Orchard Allotments, Orwell~~  
~~NH/12-128 - Globe Field, behind St Andrews Church, Orwell~~  
~~NH/12-129 - Recreation Ground, Town Green Road, Orwell~~  
~~NH/12-130 - Station Road/Turn Lane, Over~~  
~~NH/12-131 - Land to rear of The Lane, Over~~  
~~NH/12-132 - Wood behind Pendragon Hill, Papworth Everard~~  
~~NH/12-133 - Jubilee Green, Papworth Everard~~  
~~NH/12-134 - Baron's Way Wood, Papworth Everard~~  
~~NH/12-135a - Rectory Woods (inside Village Boundary), Papworth Everard~~  
**NH/12-135b - Rectory Woods (outside Village Boundary), Papworth Everard**  
~~NH/12-136 - Meadow at western end of Church Lane, Papworth Everard~~

~~NH/12-137a - Summer's Hill Open Space (inside Village Boundary), Papworth Everard~~  
**NH/12-137b - Summer's Hill Open Space (outside Village Boundary), Papworth Everard**  
 NH/12-138a - Papworth Hall, Papworth Everard  
**NH/12-138b - Papworth Hall (small finger of land), Papworth Everard**  
 NH/12-139 - Village Playing Field, Papworth Everard  
~~NH/12-140 - Challis Garden, Mill Lane, Sawston~~  
~~NH/12-141 - The Spike Playing Field, South Terrace, Sawston~~  
 NH/12-142 - Mill Lane Recreation Ground, Sawston  
 NH/12-143 - Millennium Copse, Sawston  
~~NH/12-144 - Butlers Green, Sawston~~  
 NH/12-145 - Spicers' Sports Field, Sawston  
 NH/12-146 - Lynton Way Recreation Ground, Sawston  
 NH/12-147a - Orchard Park, Sawston  
**NH/12-147b - Orchard Park allotments, Sawston**  
~~NH/12-148 - Deal Grove, Sawston~~  
~~NH/12-149 - Ransom Strip, Craft Way, Steeple Morden~~  
 NH/12-150 - Recreation Ground, Hay Street, Steeple Morden  
 NH/12-151 - The Cowslip Meadow, Steeple Morden  
~~NH/12-152 - White Ponds Wood, Steeple Morden~~  
~~NH/12-153 - Tween Town Wood, Steeple Morden~~  
 NH/12-154 - Village Green, Thriplow  
 NH/12-155 - Cricket Pitch, Thriplow  
 NH/12-156 - Recreation Ground, Thriplow  
~~NH/12-157 - The Spinney, Thriplow~~  
~~NH/12-158 - Open Land, Church Street, Thriplow~~  
~~NH/12-159 - Dower House Woodland Area, Thriplow~~  
 NH/12-160 - Toft, Land adjacent 6 High Street  
 NH/12-161 - Toft, Recreation Ground  
 NH/12-162 - Small green area immediately to west of G58, Toft  
~~NH/12-163 - Allotments, Toft~~  
 NH/12-164 - Village Green, Waterbeach  
 NH/12-165 - The Gault, Waterbeach

~~NH/12-166 - Old Pond Site, Waterbeach~~

~~NH/12-167 - Barracks Frontage, Waterbeach~~

~~NH/12-168 - Coronation Close, Waterbeach~~

~~NH/12-169 - School frontage, Waterbeach~~

NH/12-170 - Recreation Ground / play area, Whaddon

~~NH/12-171 - Newton Road Play Area, Whittlesford~~

NH/12-172 - The Lawn, Whittlesford

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**REPORT TO:** Planning Portfolio Holder

26 July 2017

**LEAD OFFICER:** Joint Director for Planning and Economic Development

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## South Cambridgeshire Local Plan – Modifications to Monitoring Indicators

### Purpose

1. To agree proposed modifications to the submitted South Cambridgeshire Local Plan that relate to *Policy S/12: Phasing, Delivery and Monitoring* and its *supporting text*, including *Figure 4: Monitoring Indicators* necessary to make the Local Plan sound. This responds to a request from the Inspectors examining the Local Plan, who asked the Council to review the monitoring framework and requirements set out in its Local Plan to ensure that the Local Plan could be found sound in relation to this issue.
2. This is a not a key decision; however it was first published in the June 2017 Forward Plan.

### Recommendations

3. It is recommended that the Planning Portfolio Holder:
  - (a) agrees the proposed modifications to the submitted South Cambridgeshire Local Plan (as set out in **Appendix A** of this report) that relate to *Policy S/12: Phasing, Delivery and Monitoring* and its *supporting text*, including *Figure 4: Monitoring Indicators*, be submitted to the Inspectors examining the Local Plan in response to their request, along with the 'audit trail' for the changes to monitoring indicators in **Appendix B**; and
  - (b) agrees that delegated authority be given to the Joint Director for Planning and Economic Development to make any subsequent minor amendments and editing changes, in consultation with the Planning Portfolio Holder.

### Reasons for Recommendations

4. The South Cambridgeshire and Cambridge Local Plans are currently being examined by independent Planning Inspectors. The Inspectors asked the Councils to review the monitoring framework and requirements set out in their respective Local Plans to ensure that the monitoring indicators were SMART (specific, measurable, achievable, relevant, and time-bound) so that their respective Local Plans could be found sound in relation to this issue.
5. The Councils have worked together to review their monitoring requirements and indicators, and where appropriate have made them consistent. Modifications are proposed in order to make the South Cambridgeshire Local Plan sound (as set out in **Appendix A** of this report) and these modifications will be submitted to the Planning Inspectors for consideration in response to their request, if agreed by the Planning Portfolio Holder.

## Background

6. South Cambridgeshire District Council and Cambridge City Council submitted their respective Local Plans for examination on 28 March 2014. Examination hearing sessions were held from November 2014 to July 2017.
7. At the joint examination hearing session for *Matter 5: Infrastructure / Monitoring / Viability* in November 2014, the Inspectors asked the Councils to review the monitoring framework and requirements set out in their respective Local Plans to ensure that the monitoring indicators were SMART (specific, measurable, achievable, relevant, and time-bound) so that the Local Plans could be found sound in relation to this issue.
8. In letters to the Inspectors in September 2016, the Councils outlined that work on their respective monitoring frameworks was ongoing, and that they anticipated that any proposed modifications arising from it would be submitted to the Inspectors by the end of February 2017. The subsequent examination programme meant that this timetable did not prove to be possible and it was agreed with the Inspectors via the Programme Officer that a later date for completion of this work would not affect the overall examination programme and would also give the opportunity to incorporate any changes to the monitoring indicators arising from the final hearings.
9. The Councils have worked together to review their monitoring frameworks and requirements, including the monitoring indicators, and where appropriate have made the monitoring indicators consistent in order to align monitoring processes and reduce resource implications, as the Councils move towards implementation of a shared Greater Cambridge planning service and joint Local Plan. This review has identified proposed modifications (as set out in **Appendix A** of this report) that are necessary in response to the Inspectors' request so that the South Cambridgeshire Local Plan can be found sound in relation to this issue. The review has also highlighted that proposed modifications are also necessary to make the Cambridge Local Plan sound.

## Considerations

10. The monitoring requirements and indicators for the South Cambridgeshire Local Plan are set out in *Policy S/12: Phasing, Delivery and Monitoring* and its *supporting text*, including *Figure 4: Monitoring Indicators*. *Policy S/12 (subsection 3)* sets out that monitoring of the planning policies and allocations included in the Local Plan will be a continuous process throughout the plan period, and that if through monitoring it appears that the planning policies and / or allocations are not being achieved, a series of actions will be triggered. The *supporting text* outlines that monitoring will take place annually, that the results will be published in the Annual Monitoring Report, and that *Figure 4* includes a set of indicators specifically developed for monitoring the Local Plan.
11. In considering the Inspectors' request to review the monitoring framework and requirements set out in the Local Plan to ensure that the Local Plan could be found sound in relation to this issue, officers have identified that proposed modifications are necessary to address the Inspectors' concerns.



12. The majority of the proposed modifications suggested relate to *Figure 4: Monitoring Indicators*, as to make the indicators SMART as requested by the Inspector it is necessary to include additional information in the form of targets, triggers and actions. *Policy S/12 (subsection 3)* and its *supporting text* remain largely unchanged, except where revisions are necessary to explain and provide consistency with *Figure 4*. The modifications are shown in **Appendix A** of this report.
13. Members should note that proposed modifications to *Policy S/12* and its *supporting text* have already been submitted to the Inspectors in relation to proposals for a joint housing trajectory including for the calculation of five year supply, phasing of the new settlements to remove limitations on the start date of housing completions, and the monitoring of the City Deal commitment to provide an additional 1,000 homes on rural exception sites. These proposed modifications are not repeated in Appendix A.
14. An 'audit trail' explaining the reasoning for each of the modifications proposed to the indicators previously included in Local Plan *Figure 4* is provided in **Appendix B** of this report.
15. Officers at South Cambridgeshire District Council and Cambridge City Council have worked together to review their monitoring indicators, and where appropriate have made their indicators consistent, including targets, triggers and actions, in order to align monitoring processes and reduce resource implications, as the Councils move towards implementation of a shared Greater Cambridge planning service and joint Local Plan.
16. Officers at South Cambridgeshire District Council used the following methodology to review each of the indicators included in *Figure 4* of the submitted Local Plan:
  - a. Each indicator has been considered against the Local Plan policy that it is intended to monitor.
  - b. A target has been added for each indicator based on the requirements of the policy, including specific details such as dates, percentages, and size thresholds where available and/or appropriate.
  - c. The data source and frequency of monitoring has been added, based on previous experience of monitoring our adopted planning policies.
  - d. From the target, data source and requirements of the policy, a trigger(s) has been developed for each indicator that will ensure that actions will be considered and, where appropriate, taken if the trigger is met.
  - e. Actions have been identified for each indicator using the list of mechanisms included in *Policy S/12 (subsection 3)*.
17. Undertaking this process has highlighted that some indicators included in *Figure 4* of the submitted Local Plan are not directly related to the Local Plan policy that they are intended to monitor. These indicators have been considered and the proposed modifications (as set out in **Appendix A** of this report) either amend or delete the indicator. The 'audit trail' (see **Appendix B** of this report) gives the reasons for each of the modifications proposed, including the deletions.

18. The process undertaken has also highlighted that there are some indicators that although not directly related to the requirements of the Local Plan policy they are listed as monitoring, are still important for monitoring purposes and to inform a review of the Local Plan. These contextual indicators have been retained; however it is not possible to set triggers and actions. Additional wording has been proposed to supporting text *paragraph 2.69* to explain that there are different types of indicators.
19. The revised set of monitoring indicators (as included in **Appendix A** of this report) is consistent with the policies included in the Local Plan (as submitted in March 2014) and as proposed to be modified through the Council's examination hearing statements, the schedule of proposed modifications (March 2016), and the further proposed modifications (November 2016).
20. Modifications to the Local Plan have typically been considered by both the Planning Portfolio Holder and full Council where the Council has undertaken further work and is making decisions on proposed changes to the Local Plan that it wishes to put forward to the Inspectors for their consideration. In the case of the monitoring indicators, the Council is providing a technical response to an issue raised by the Inspectors where they have given a very clear steer to the Councils on the changes they consider necessary to make the Local Plans sound, which has been undertaken and is reflected in the proposed modifications included in this report. Under those circumstances the matter is being brought to the Planning Portfolio Holder only, although of course the usual call-in procedures apply.

### **Next Steps**

21. The Councils will jointly submit the modifications to their monitoring frameworks (and their associated audit trails explaining the reasons for each of the modifications) to the Planning Inspectors on 31 July 2017 for their consideration, if agreed by the South Cambridgeshire Planning Portfolio Holder and the Cambridge Executive Councillor for Planning Policy and Transport.

### **Options**

22. The Planning Portfolio Holder has the following options:
  - (a) Agree all or some of the proposed modifications relating to the monitoring framework for the South Cambridgeshire Local Plan (as set out in **Appendix A** of this report) be submitted to the Local Plan Inspectors;
  - (b) Agree all or some of the proposed modifications relating to the monitoring framework for the South Cambridgeshire Local Plan (as set out in **Appendix A** of this report), but with some amendments be submitted to the Local Plan Inspectors;
  - (c) Agree the proposed modifications as at options (a) or (b) but consider that they should be referred to full Council for consideration, even though they respond to a specific request from the Inspectors and relate to a clear steer on the changes necessary; or
  - (d) Not agree the proposed modifications relating to the monitoring framework, however the Inspectors asked the Councils to review the monitoring framework and therefore a response must be provided to the Inspectors.

## **Implications**

23. In the writing of this report, taking into account financial, legal, staffing, risk management, equality and diversity, climate change, community safety and any other key issues, the following implications have been considered:

### ***Financial***

24. There are no direct financial implications arising from this report. The cost of preparing the Local Plan has already been budgeted for, and the monitoring of the Local Plan set out in the proposed modifications will be undertaken within existing resources.

### ***Legal***

25. There are no direct legal implications arising from this report. However, the Inspectors asked the Council to review the Local Plan monitoring framework and this report identifies proposed modifications considered necessary for the Inspectors to find the Local Plan sound.

### ***Staffing***

26. There are no direct staffing implications arising from this report. The staffing needed to prepare the Local Plan has already been allocated and the monitoring of the Local Plan set out in the proposed modifications will be undertaken within existing staffing.

### ***Risk Management***

27. The Local Plan is a corporate priority. The Inspectors asked the Council to review the Local Plan monitoring framework and this report identifies proposed modifications considered necessary for the Inspectors to find the Local Plan sound.

## **Consultation responses**

28. Officers within the Planning Policy Teams at South Cambridgeshire District Council and Cambridge City Council have worked together to review their monitoring indicators, and have consulted officers in other departments where necessary.

## **Effect on Strategic Objectives**

### **Objective 1 – Living Well: support our communities to remain in good health whilst continuing to protect the natural and built environment**

29. The Local Plan aims to satisfy the development needs of the area while preserving and enhancing its rich built and natural heritage and distinctive character and providing quality places where people are happy to live, work and play. The Annual Monitoring Report will use the monitoring indicators included in the Local Plan to provide detailed analysis on how our planning policies are performing.

### **Objective 2 – Homes for Our Future: secure the delivery of a wide range of housing to meet the needs of existing and future communities**

30. The Annual Monitoring Report will use the monitoring indicators included in the Local Plan to provide detailed analysis on how our planning policies are performing, and a number of the monitoring indicators relate to the planning policies for housing, including in relation to overall housing delivery and five-year housing land supply.

## **Background Papers**

South Cambridgeshire Proposed Submission Local Plan (submitted in March 2014):  
[www.scambs.gov.uk/localplan](http://www.scambs.gov.uk/localplan)

Examination Hearing Statements: [www.scambs.gov.uk/local-plan-examination-written-statements](http://www.scambs.gov.uk/local-plan-examination-written-statements)

Proposed Modifications (submitted in March 2016): [www.scambs.gov.uk/localplanmods-dec2015](http://www.scambs.gov.uk/localplanmods-dec2015)

Further Proposed Modifications (submitted in November 2016):  
[www.scambs.gov.uk/localplanmods-nov2016](http://www.scambs.gov.uk/localplanmods-nov2016)

## **Appendices**

Appendix A: Proposed Modifications to the submitted South Cambridgeshire Local Plan that relate to Policy S/12 and its supporting text including figure 4

Appendix B: 'Audit Trail' explaining the reasoning for each of the modifications proposed to the monitoring indicators

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**Appendix A: Proposed Modifications to the submitted South Cambridgeshire Local Plan that relate to Policy S/12: Phasing, Delivery and Monitoring and its supporting text including Figure 4: Monitoring Indicators**

The table below explains the reasoning for each of the new proposed modifications to the submitted South Cambridgeshire Local Plan that relate to *Policy S/12: Phasing, Delivery and Monitoring* and its *supporting text*, including *Figure 4: Monitoring Indicators*.

Modifications are shown as ~~strikethroughs~~ for deletions, and underlining for additions.

Policy, Paragraph or Indicator Number	Summary of Proposed Modification(s)	Justification for Proposed Modification(s)
Policy S/12: Phasing, Delivery and Monitoring (subsection 3)	<p>Insert two additional mechanisms into the list of triggers included in the policy:</p> <p><u>h. Review Development Management processes;</u></p> <p><u>i. Consider undertaking co-operation with other local authorities, including through duty to co-operate.</u></p>	<p>In considering the actions to be taken for each indicator after having determined the appropriate trigger(s), it is necessary to add two additional mechanisms to the list. The additional mechanisms are ‘review Development Management processes’ and ‘consider undertaking co-operation with other local authorities, including through duty to co-operate’.</p> <p>In some instances, in response to a trigger being met it may be possible to implement an effective solution through a review of Development Management processes, rather than the more lengthy process of undertaking a review of the whole Local Plan, or specific policies within the Local Plan.</p> <p>For some indicators, co-operation with other local authorities, including through the formal duty to co-operate process, may be the most effective solution.</p>
Paragraph 2.69	<p>Delete fourth sentence and insert a new paragraph 2.69a to read:</p> <p><u>2.69a A set of indicators has been developed specifically for monitoring the Local Plan; these are set out in Appendix E. For each indicator, the relevant policy or policies (if</u></p>	<p>Additional wording is needed in the supporting text to outline the information provided in the revised table of monitoring indicators, which is moved to a new Appendix E, and also to explain that some indicators have been retained for monitoring purposes only.</p>

Policy, Paragraph or Indicator Number	Summary of Proposed Modification(s)	Justification for Proposed Modification(s)
	<p><u>appropriate) that the indicator is monitoring are recorded, a target is set to allow progress to be measured, and triggers and actions are detailed to show what will be done if the target is not being met. Some indicators included in Appendix E are not directly related to the specific requirements of policies in the Local Plan; however annual collection of data is important against these policy issues to create an evidence base to inform a review of the Local Plan. These contextual indicators do not include triggers and actions, and instead specify that data will be collected for monitoring purposes only.</u></p>	
<p>Figure 4: Monitoring Indicators</p>	<p>Delete Figure 4 and replace with new Appendix E: Monitoring Indicators.</p> <p><b>The new Local Plan Appendix E is included below.</b></p>	<p>The table in Figure 4 with the additional columns for target, data source, triggers and actions by virtue of its increased length and greater level of detail is more appropriate in an appendix rather than a table in the supporting text of the policy. Revisions proposed to layout of figure 4 and inclusion of additional columns for targets, triggers and actions, and data source and frequency of monitoring. Renummer and reorder indicators where necessary to take account of additions and deletions.</p> <p>A separate audit table has been prepared to explain and justify the changes to individual monitoring indicators. This is provided in <b>Appendix B of the portfolio holder report.</b></p>

## New: Local Plan Appendix E: Monitoring Indicators

### Chapter 2: Spatial Strategy

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
M1	<p>Greater Cambridge Housing Trajectory showing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>net additional dwellings completed in previous years and the current year;</li> <li>predicted completions in future years;</li> <li>progress against the housing target for the plan period; and</li> <li>rolling five year supply plus relevant buffer (jointly with Cambridge City Council).</li> </ul>	S/5	<p>To deliver a net increase of 19,500 homes in the district between 2011 and 2031. Housing trajectory to demonstrate that this can be achieved.</p> <p>To demonstrate a five year supply of housing land (plus relevant buffer) jointly with Cambridge City Council. Housing trajectory and accompanying five year supply calculations to show whether this can be demonstrated.</p>	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inability to demonstrate through the housing trajectory the delivery of 19,500 homes in the district between 2011 and 2031.</li> <li>Inability to demonstrate a five year supply of housing land (plus relevant buffer) jointly with Cambridge City Council).</li> </ul> <p><u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Development Management processes.</li> <li>Action to bring forward housing sites consistent with the Local Plan, wherever possible in partnership with landowners and developers.</li> <li>Action to secure the timely provision of infrastructure.</li> <li>Review relevant parts of the Local Plan, including housing target and housing allocations.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Housing completions produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council.</li> <li>Greater Cambridge Housing trajectory compiled using information on housing completions and commitments produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council, and housing trajectory questionnaires completed by landowners, developers or agents.</li> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider undertaking co-operation with other local authorities, including through duty to co-operate.</li> </ul>	
M2	Total dwellings completed annually and cumulatively in Greater Cambridge by development sequence, including by settlement category within the rural area.	S/6, S/7, S/8, S/9, S/10, S/11	Contextual indicator, to provide information on the implementation of the development strategy against the development sequence, to inform the local plan review	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>[No specific trigger]</li> <li>Contextual indicator, to provide information on the implementation of policies to inform local plan review</li> </ul> <p><u>Action:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>[No Specific Action]</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Housing completions produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council.</li> <li>Data on dwellings completed in the countryside (outside of development frameworks) should identify rural exception sites, 'five year supply' sites and Neighbourhood Plan allocations separately from other dwellings completed in the countryside.</li> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>
M2a	Affordable housing completions	S/5	Contextual indicator, to provide information on delivery of affordable housing	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>[No specific trigger]</li> <li>Contextual indicator, to provide information on the implementation of policies to inform local plan review.</li> </ul> <p><u>Action:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>[No Specific Action]</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Housing completions produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council.</li> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>
M3	Amount and type of completed employment floorspace on previously		Contextual indicator, to provide information on the implementation of the development strategy and	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>[No specific trigger]</li> <li>Contextual indicator, to</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Employment completions produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at</li> </ul>



Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
	developed land		the use of previously developed land.	provide information on the implementation of policies to inform local plan review  <u>Action:</u> [No specific action]	Cambridgeshire County Council. • Annually.
M4	Percentage of new and converted dwellings completed on previously developed land		Contextual indicator, to provide information on the implementation of the development strategy and the use of previously developed land.	<u>Trigger:</u> • [No specific trigger] • Contextual indicator, to provide information on the implementation of policies to inform local plan review.  <u>Action:</u> • [No specific action]	• Housing completions produced by Research & Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council. • Annually.
M5	[DELETED]				
M6	Number of new jobs created  Amount and type of completed and committed employment floorspace and land	S/5	Delivery of additional 22,000 jobs in the district between 2011 and 2031.  Maintain employment land supply to enable delivery of forecast jobs in 'B' use classes.	<u>Trigger:</u> • A net decrease in the number of jobs in the district over a rolling five year period. • Employment land completions and commitments dropping below 43ha / 143,000m2.  <u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include: • Action to bring forward	• NOMIS (ONS Jobs Density). • Business completions and commitments (Use Classes B1, B2 and B8) produced by Research & Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council. • Annually.

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
				<p>employment sites consistent with the local plan, wherever possible in partnership with landowners and developers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Action to secure the timely provision of infrastructure.</li> <li>• Review relevant parts of the Local Plan, including jobs target and employment allocations.</li> <li>• Consider undertaking co-operation with other local authorities, including through duty to co-operate.</li> </ul>	

## Chapter 3: Strategic Sites

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
M7	Progress and development on strategic site allocations	SS/1 – SS/8, TI/1	To deliver new mixed use development or redevelopment at Orchard Park, land between Huntingdon Road and Histon Road (NIAB / Darwin Green), Cambridge East, Cambridge Northern Fringe East, Waterbeach New Town, Bourn Airfield New Village, Northstowe and Cambourne West.	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lack of progress in comparison with annually published housing trajectory.</li> <li>• Cambridge Northern Fringe East AAP: Progress against agreed Local Development Scheme</li> </ul> <p><u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Data compiled using (i) planning applications and committee or delegation reports, (ii) housing, business, retail and other use completions and commitments produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council, and (iii) the housing trajectory including the questionnaires completed by</li> </ul>

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
				<p>to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Action to bring forward sites for development, wherever possible in partnership with landowners and developers.</li> <li>Action to secure the timely provision of infrastructure.</li> <li>Review Development Management processes.</li> <li>Review relevant parts of the Local Plan and/or Area Action Plan.</li> <li>Consider undertaking co-operation with other local authorities, including through duty to co-operate.</li> </ul>	<p>landowners, developers or agents.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Progress on delivery of Area Action Plans or Supplementary Planning Documents evidenced through relevant committee reports.</li> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>

#### Chapter 4: Climate Change

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
M8	Renewable energy capacity installed and with planning permission by type	CC/2, CC/3	To increase the generation of renewable energy within the district.	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>[No specific trigger]</li> <li>Contextual indicator, to provide information on the implementation of policies to inform local plan review.</li> </ul> <p><u>Action:</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Renewable energy completions and commitments produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council.</li> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>[No specific action]</li> </ul>	
M9	[DELETED – COMBINED WITH M8]				
M10	Proportion of development proposals permitted for all new dwellings and new non-residential buildings of 1,000 m <sup>2</sup> or more reducing carbon emissions by a minimum of 10% using on site renewable and low carbon energy technologies	CC/3	That all development proposals for all new dwellings and new non-residential buildings of 1,000 m <sup>2</sup> or more will reduce carbon emissions by a minimum of 10% using on site renewable and low carbon energy technologies.	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For monitoring purposes notional level of 20% or more of planning permissions granted in a year for developments meeting the thresholds set out in Policy CC/3 without a condition applied relating to the policy or without the requirement being met through the design of the proposed development.</li> </ul> <p><u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Development Management processes.</li> <li>Review relevant parts of the Local Plan.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Data on developments permitted meeting the thresholds set out in Policy CC/3 and whether the requirements of the policy have been met produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council.</li> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>
M11	[DELETED / COVERED BY M12]				
M11a	Number of planning permissions granted where the Environment Agency	CC/7	No planning permissions granted where the Environment Agency initially objected on water quality	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One or more developments granted planning permission in</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Data compiled using (i) information published by the Environment Agency, (ii)</li> </ul>

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
	initially objected on water quality grounds		grounds without appropriate conditions	<p>a year against the advice of the Environment Agency, without appropriate conditions.</p> <p><u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Development Management processes.</li> </ul>	<p>information submitted with planning applications and delegation or committee reports, and (iii) conditions imposed on planning permissions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>
M12	Number of planning permissions granted where the Environment Agency initially objected on flooding grounds	CC/9	No planning permissions granted where the Environment Agency initially objected on flooding grounds without appropriate conditions and / or submission of a satisfactory flood risk assessment	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One or more developments granted planning permission in a year against the advice of the Environment Agency, without appropriate conditions and / or a satisfactory flood risk assessment.</li> </ul> <p><u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Development Management processes.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Data compiled using (i) information published by the Environment Agency, (ii) information submitted with planning applications and delegation or committee reports, and (iii) conditions imposed on planning permissions.</li> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>
M13	Proportion of new homes permitted achieving water consumption levels equivalent to 110 litres per	CC/4	That all new dwellings permitted will be designed to achieve water consumption levels of 110 litres per person per day or less.	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For monitoring purposes notional level of 20% or more of planning permissions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Data compiled using (i) housing data produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County</li> </ul>

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
	person per day or less			<p>granted for a new home(s) permitted in a year without a condition applied relating to the policy.</p> <p><u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review Development Management processes.</li> <li>• Review relevant parts of the Local Plan.</li> </ul>	<p>Council, and (ii) whether a condition has been applied to the planning permission relating to Policy CC/4.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annually.</li> </ul>
M14	Proportion of non-residential developments permitted demonstrating a minimum water efficiency standard equivalent to the BREEAM non-residential standard for 2 credits for water use levels	CC/4	That all suitable non-residential developments permitted will be designed to achieve a minimum water efficiency standard equivalent to the BREEAM non-residential standard for 2 credits for water use levels.	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For monitoring purposes notional level of 20% or more of planning permissions granted for suitable non-residential developments permitted in a year without a condition applied relating to the policy or without the requirement being met through the design of the proposed development.</li> </ul> <p><u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which</p>	<p><u>Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Data compiled using (i) non-residential data produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council, and (ii) whether a condition has been applied relating to Policy CC/4 and / or information submitted with the planning application.</li> <li>• Annually.</li> </ul>

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
				may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Development Management processes.</li> <li>Review relevant parts of the Local Plan.</li> </ul>	

### Chapter 5: Delivering High Quality Places

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### Chapter 6: Protecting and Enhancing the Natural and Historic Environment

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
M16	Amount of new development completed within, or likely to adversely affect, internationally or nationally important nature conservation areas	NH/4, NH/5	That there is no new development completed within or that will adversely affect internationally or nationally important nature conservation area(s).	<u>Trigger:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One or more new developments completed in a year within or adversely affecting an internationally or nationally important nature conservation area(s).</li> </ul> <u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Development Management processes.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Data compiled by Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Environmental Records Centre using (i) housing, business, retail and other use completions produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council and (ii) species records.</li> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
M17	Amount of inappropriate development permitted in the Green Belt	S/4, NH/8, NH/9, NH/10	To restrict inappropriate development in the green belt, unless, very special circumstances have been accepted that outweigh any harm caused.	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One or more inappropriate developments permitted within the Green Belt in a year without very special circumstances having been justified.</li> </ul> <p><u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Development Management processes.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Data compiled using (i) information submitted with planning applications and committee or delegation reports, and (ii) housing, business, retail and other use completions and commitments produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council.</li> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>
M18	Amount of development completed within or adjacent to a Protected Village Amenity Area (PVAA) that would have an adverse impact on its character, amenity, tranquillity or function.	NH/11	That land within or adjacent to a Protected Village Amenity Area (PVAA) is protected from development that would have an adverse impact on the character, amenity, tranquillity or function.	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One or more developments completed in a year within or adjacent to a Protected Village Amenity Area (PVAA) that would have an adverse impact on the character, amenity, tranquillity or function.</li> </ul> <p><u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Development Management processes.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Data compiled using (i) information submitted with planning applications and committee or delegation reports, and (ii) housing, business, retail and other use completions produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council.</li> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>



Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
M18a	Amount of development completed within a Local Green Space that would adversely impact on its character and particular local significance	NH/12	That land designated as a Local Green Space is protected from development that would adversely impact on its character and particular local significance, and that where inappropriate development is completed very special circumstances have been demonstrated and discussions have been undertaken with the local community.	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One or more inappropriate developments completed in a year within a Local Green Space that would adversely affect its designation, without very special circumstances having been demonstrated and discussions having been undertaken with the local community.</li> </ul> <p><u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Development Management processes.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Data compiled using (i) information submitted with planning applications and committee or delegation reports, and (ii) housing, business, retail and other use completions produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council.</li> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>
M19	Amount of land adjacent to an Important Countryside Frontage that has been lost to development	NH/13	That land adjacent to an Important Countryside Frontage is protected from development that would compromise its purposes.	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One or more developments completed in a year adjacent to an Important Countryside Frontage that would compromise its purposes.</li> </ul> <p><u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Data compiled using (i) information submitted with planning applications and committee or delegation reports, and (ii) housing, business, retail and other use completions produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council.</li> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Development Management processes.</li> </ul>	
M20	Change in areas of biodiversity importance (international, national and local designations)	NH/4, NH/5	That there is no loss in the areas of biodiversity importance as a result of new development where no mitigation has been provided.	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Loss of areas of biodiversity importance as a result of new development with no mitigation provided.</li> </ul> <p><u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Development Management processes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compiled using (i) GIS layers of each of the areas of biodiversity importance in South Cambridgeshire and (ii) information from relevant officers and / or organisations on the reason for the loss.</li> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>

### Chapter 7: Delivering High Quality Homes

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
M21	Average net density of all completed new housing developments on sites of 9 or more dwellings at urban extensions, new settlements, Rural Centres, Minor Rural Centres, and Group Villages	H/7	<p>To deliver an average net density of 30 dwellings per hectare (dph) on developments completed in Rural Centres, Minor Rural Centres and Group Villages.</p> <p>To deliver an average net density of 40 dph on developments completed in urban extensions to Cambridge and in new settlements.</p>	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For monitoring purposes notional level of delivery of an average net density of 25 dph or less on developments completed in Rural Centres, Minor Rural Centres and Group Villages.</li> <li>Delivery of an average net density of 35 dph or less on developments completed in</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Housing completions produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council.</li> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
				<p>urban extensions to Cambridge and in new settlements.</p> <p><u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review Development Management processes.</li> <li>• Review relevant parts of the Local Plan.</li> </ul>	
M22	[DELETED]				
M23	Housing completions by number of bedrooms	H/8	Contextual indicator, to provide information on delivery of a mix of housing to meet the needs of different groups in the community across all housing developments.	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• [No specific trigger]</li> <li>• Contextual indicator, to provide information on the implementation of policies to inform local plan review.</li> </ul> <p><u>Action:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• [No specific action]</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Housing completions produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council.</li> <li>• Annually.</li> </ul>
M24	Market housing permitted on developments of over 10 dwellings by number of bedrooms	H/8	All development proposals of over 10 dwellings permitted will consist of at least 30% 1 or 2 bedroom homes; at least 30% 3 bedroom homes; and at least 30% 4 or more bedroom homes.	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On developments of over 10 dwellings, 25% or less dwellings permitted with 1 or 2 bedrooms, 25% or less dwellings permitted with 3 bedrooms, and / or 25% or</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Data compiled using housing completions and commitments produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council.</li> <li>• Annually.</li> </ul>

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
				<p>less dwellings permitted with 4 or more bedrooms.</p> <p><u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review Development Management processes.</li> <li>• Review relevant parts of the Local Plan.</li> </ul>	
M25	[MOVED TO NEW M2a]				
M26	Affordable housing completions on rural exception sites and progress towards City Deal commitment to deliver an additional 1,000 new homes on rural exception sites	H/10	City Deal: To contribute to the delivery of an additional 1,000 new homes on rural exception sites between 2011 and 2031, as set out in the City Deal agreement (see paragraph 2.70a).	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• City Deal: No annualised target. Projected competitions on identified sites by 2026 would not meet target, and evidence indicates target may not be achieved.</li> </ul> <p><u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• City Deal: Action to bring forward qualifying dwellings on suitable sites for development, wherever possible in</li> </ul>	<p>Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Data compiled using (i) housing completions and commitments produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council and (ii) information submitted with planning applications and committee or delegation reports.</li> <li>• Annually.</li> </ul>

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
				partnership with landowners and developers.	
M27	Gypsy & Traveller pitches and Travelling Showpeople plots completed	H/19, H/20, H/21	<p>To deliver permanent Gypsy &amp; Traveller pitches, as set out in Policy H/19, which identifies that no pitches are required under the evidence base supporting the Local Plan (GTAA 2016).</p> <p>To deliver at least 11 Travelling Showpeople plots between 2011 and 2031, as set out in Policy H/19.</p>	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inability to demonstrate delivery of permanent Gypsy &amp; Traveller pitches between 2011 and 2031, as set out in Policy H/19, if ongoing monitoring under M27a identifies an unmet need.</li> <li>Inability to demonstrate delivery of permanent Travelling Showpeople plots between 2011 and 2031, as set out in Policy H/19.</li> </ul> <p><u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Action to bring forward sites for development, wherever possible in partnership with landowners and developers.</li> <li>Review Development Management processes.</li> <li>Review Needs Assessment</li> <li>Review of the Local Plan.</li> <li>Consider undertaking co-</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Housing completions produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council.</li> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
				operation with other local authorities, including through duty to co-operate.	
M27a	Meeting the needs of those that meet the planning definition of gypsies and travellers and those that do not meet the definition but can demonstrate a cultural need for caravan accommodation.	H/19, H/20, H/21	Sufficient sites coming forward to meet identified needs of those that meet the planning definition of gypsies and travellers and those that do not meet the definition but can demonstrate a cultural need for caravan accommodation.	<p><u>Trigger:</u> Insufficient sites coming forward to meet identified needs of those that meet the planning definition of gypsies and travellers and those that do not meet the definition but can demonstrate a cultural need for caravan accommodation, assessed against the GTAA and ongoing monitoring by the local housing authority.</p> <p><u>Actions:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review Development Management processes.</li> <li>• Action to bring forward sites for development, wherever possible in partnership with landowners and developers.</li> <li>• Review Needs Assessment</li> <li>• Review of the Local Plan.</li> <li>• Consider undertaking co-operation with other local authorities, including through</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment</li> <li>• National caravan count</li> <li>• Planning information: Planning applications, appeals, enforcement</li> <li>• Local Housing Authority information</li> <li>• Annually and on-going</li> </ul>

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
				duty to co-operate.	
M28	Number of caravans on unauthorised Gypsy & Traveller sites	H/19, H/20, H/21	Contextual indicator, to provide information for the on-going review of Gypsy and traveller accommodation needs.	<u>Trigger:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>[No specific trigger]</li> </ul> <u>Action:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>[No specific action]</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>National caravan count which is carried out in January and July each year.</li> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>
M29	Progress and development on residential allocations at villages (Policy H/1), and at Bayer CropScience Site (Hauxton), Papworth Everard West Central, Fen Drayton Former LSA Estate, Fulbourn and Ida Darwin Hospitals, and Histon & Impington Station area	H/1 – H/4, E/7, E/8	<p>To deliver new residential development at three sites in Sawston (Dales Manor Business Park, land north of Babraham Road, land south of Babraham Road), Histon &amp; Impington (land north of Impington Road), Melbourn (land off New Road and rear of Victoria Way), Gamlingay (Green End Industrial Estate), Willingham (land east of Rockmill End), Comberton (land at Bennell Farm), two sites in Great Abington (land at Linton Road, land at Pampisford Road / High Street), Little Abington (Bancroft Farm), and Graveley (land at Toseland Road) allocated through Policy H/1.</p> <p>To deliver residential-led mixed use development at the former Bayer CropScience site as allocated through Policy H/2.</p>	<u>Trigger:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Delay in delivery according to the annually published housing trajectory.</li> <li>Development that does not accord with policy requirements</li> </ul> <u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Action to bring forward sites for development, wherever possible in partnership with landowners and developers.</li> <li>Action to secure the timely provision of infrastructure.</li> <li>Review Development Management processes.</li> <li>Review relevant parts of the Local Plan, including housing allocations.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Data compiled using (i) planning applications and committee or delegation reports, (ii), housing completions and commitments produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council and (iii) the housing trajectory including the questionnaires completed by landowners, developers or agents.</li> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
			<p>That all proposals for the redevelopment of land within Papworth West Central area are consistent with Policy H/3.</p> <p>That all proposals within the Fen Drayton former LSA estate area for the reuse or redevelopment of existing buildings no longer needed for agricultural purposes are consistent with Policy H/4.</p> <p>To deliver the redevelopment of the Fulbourn and Ida Darwin Hospitals site as allocated through Policy E/7.</p> <p>To deliver the redevelopment of the Histon &amp; Impington Station area as allocated through Policy E/8.</p>		
M30	Development of Residential Moorings at Chesterton Fen Road, Milton	H/6	To deliver residential boat moorings at Chesterton Fen Road, Milton as allocated through Policy H/6.	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No delivery of or progress towards the completion of residential boat moorings at Chesterton Fen Road, Milton by 31 March 2026.</li> </ul> <p><u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Data compiled using (i) planning applications and committee or delegation reports, and (ii) housing completions and commitments produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council.</li> </ul>



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				<p>to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Action to bring forward sites for development, wherever possible in partnership with landowners and developers.</li> <li>Consider undertaking co-operation with other local authorities, including through duty to co-operate.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>
M31	Number of homes completed to the accessible and adaptable dwellings M4(2) standard	H/8	That 5% of homes completed on developments of 20 or more dwellings are built to the accessible and adaptable dwellings M4(2) standard.	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Less than 5% on eligible developments.</li> </ul> <p><u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Development Management processes.</li> <li>Review relevant parts of the Local Plan.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Data compiled using (i) planning applications and committee or delegation reports, and (ii) housing completions produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council.</li> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>
M32	Affordable dwellings permitted as a percentage of all dwellings permitted on sites where the policy requiring affordable dwellings applies	H/9	That all developments of 3 or more dwellings permitted will provide 40% of the dwellings on site as affordable dwellings, unless the exceptions listed in Policy H/9 can be demonstrated.	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>District wide contextual indicator to inform local plan review regarding overall percentage achieved.</li> <li>Less than 40% of dwellings on all developments of 3 or more</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>List of housing developments permitted produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council.</li> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
				<p> dwellings permitted that are anticipated to be affordable dwellings (unless the exceptions listed in Policy H/9 can be demonstrated).</p> <p><u>Action:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Review Development Management processes.</li> <li>○ Review relevant parts of the Local Plan.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

### Chapter 8: Building a Strong and Competitive Economy

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
M33	[COMBINED WITH M6]				
M34	[COMBINED WITH M6]				
M35	<p>Amount of employment land lost to non-employment uses</p> <p>i)total</p> <p>ii) within development</p>	E/14	To limit the amount of employment land lost to non-employment uses.	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loss of 5 or more hectares of employment land to non-employment uses in a year.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business completions (Use Classes B1, B2 and B8) produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County</li> </ul>

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
	frameworks iii) to residential development			<u>Action:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Review Development Management processes.</li> <li>○ Review relevant parts of the Local Plan.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Council. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annually.</li> </ul>
M36	[COMBINED WITH M35]				
M37	Amount of completed and committed floorspace for retail	E/21 – E/23	That all proposals for retail development are consistent with Policies E/21 – E/23.	<u>Trigger:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• [No specific trigger]</li> </ul> <u>Action:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• [No specific action]</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Retail completions and commitments produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council.</li> <li>• Annually.</li> </ul>
M38	Progress and development on allocations at Cambridge Science Park, land south of Cambridge Biomedical Campus, Fulbourn Road East, for employment uses (Policies E/3 and E/4), Papworth Hospital, Histon & Impington Station area, , Dales Manor Business Park (Sawston), Green End	E/1 – E/5, E/8, H/1:a, H/1:f, H/2, H/3	That all proposals for employment development or redevelopment on the Cambridge Science Park are consistent with Policy E/1.  To deliver new employment development at land south of Cambridge Biomedical Campus, Fulbourn Road East, Longstanton (North of Hattons Road), Pampisford (West of Eastern Counties Leather), Over (Norman	<u>Trigger:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Policy E/1: Cambridge Science Park <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ No specific target. Ongoing monitoring of development on the science park and compliance with policy.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Policy E/1B: Land south of Cambridge Biomedical Campus</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business, retail and other use completions and commitments produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council.</li> <li>• Annually.</li> </ul>

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
	Industrial Estate (Gamlingay), Bayer CropScience Site (Hauxton), and Papworth Everard West Central		<p>Way) and Papworth Everard (Ermine Street South) allocated through Policies E/1B, E/2-E/4.</p> <p>To deliver the reuse or redevelopment of the Papworth Hospital site as allocated through Policy E/5.</p> <p>To deliver the redevelopment of the Histon &amp; Impington Station area as allocated through Policy E/8.</p> <p>To deliver the redevelopment of Dales Manor Business Park, Sawston as allocated through Policy H/1:a.</p> <p>To deliver the redevelopment of Green End Industrial Estate, Gamlingay as allocated through Policy H/1:f.</p> <p>To deliver residential-led mixed use development at the former Bayer CropScience site as allocated through Policy H/2.</p> <p>That all proposals for the redevelopment of land within</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ No delivery of, or progress towards, the completion of employment development by 31 March 2026.</li> <li>• Policy E/2: Fulbourn Road East <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ No delivery of, or progress towards, the completion of employment development by 31 March 2026.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Policies E/3 and E/4: Allocations for Employment Uses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ No delivery of, or progress towards, the completion of employment development by 31 March 2026.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Policy E/8: Mixed-Use Development in Histon &amp; Impington Station Area <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ No specific target. Monitor delivery of mixed uses in the policy area.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Policy H/1a: Dales Manor Business Park, Sawston <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ No delivery of, or</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
			Papworth West Central area are consistent with Policy H/3.	<p>progress towards, the completion of employment development by 31 March 2026.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Policy H/1f: Green End Industrial Estate, Gamlingay <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ No delivery of, or progress towards, the completion of employment development by 31 March 2026.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Policy H/2: Bayer CropScience Site, Hauxton <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ No delivery of, or progress towards, the completion of employment development by 31 March 2026.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Policy H/3: Papworth Everard West Central <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ No specific target. Monitor delivery of mixed uses in the policy area.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
				<p><u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Action to bring forward sites for development, wherever possible in partnership with landowners and developers.</li> <li>Action to secure the timely provision of infrastructure.</li> </ul>	

**Chapter 9: Promoting Successful Communities**

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
M39	Progress of open space allocations	SC/1	To deliver the extensions to existing recreation grounds and new sites for open space allocated through Policy SC/1.	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No delivery of, or progress towards, the completion of the open space allocations by 31 March 2026.</li> </ul> <p><u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, including with relevant Parish Councils, and then take action as appropriate which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Action to bring forward sites for development, wherever possible in partnership with</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Data compiled from the Council's planning database and qualitative data provided by Parish Councils.</li> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
				landowners and developers. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review relevant parts of the Local Plan.</li> </ul>	
M40	Loss of recreation areas, allotments and community orchards resulting from new developments	SC/9	To restrict the loss of recreation areas, allotments and community orchards to other uses.	<u>Trigger:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One or more developments completed resulting in the loss of recreation areas, allotments and community orchards to other uses, where the requirements of Policy SC/9 have not been met.</li> </ul> <u>Action:</u> Review the circumstances that led to the trigger being met, and then take action as appropriate which may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Development Management processes.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Data compiled using (i) housing, business, retail and other use completions and commitments produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council and (ii) Council's Recreation Study which identifies recreation areas, allotments and community orchards.</li> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>
M41	Provision of open space, outdoor recreation and children's play space resulting from new developments	SC/7, SC/8	That new developments of 10 or more dwellings include provision of allotments, community orchards, sports pitches, other outdoor sports facilities, and children's play space in accordance with Policies SC/7 and SC/8.	<u>Trigger:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>[No specific trigger]</li> </ul> <u>Action:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not applicable, no action necessary.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Data compiled using (i) housing completions produced by Research &amp; Monitoring Team at Cambridgeshire County Council, (ii) information submitted with planning applications, and (iii) monitoring of s106 agreements.</li> <li>Only includes developments that are wholly completed or where a phase of a major</li> </ul>

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
					<p>development has been wholly completed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>

**Chapter 10: Promoting and Delivering Sustainable Transport and Infrastructure**

Indicator Number	Indicator Description	Policy	Target	Triggers and Actions	Data Source and Frequency of Monitoring
M42	Investment secured for infrastructure and community facilities through developer contributions	TI/8	Contextual indicator, to provide information regarding securing of necessary facilities and / or contributions to support all new development. Annual collection of data is important for monitoring purposes and to create an evidence base to inform a review of the Local Plan.	<p><u>Trigger:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>[No specific trigger]</li> </ul> <p><u>Action:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>[No specific action]</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monitoring of contributions secured through s106 agreements and CIL compiled by South Cambridgeshire District Council and Cambridgeshire County Council.</li> <li>Requirements for the implementation and monitoring of CIL are detailed in the CIL Regulations. Once South Cambridgeshire District Council has adopted a CIL Charging Schedule, information on the collection and spending of monies will be included in the Annual Monitoring Report.</li> <li>Annually.</li> </ul>



**Appendix B: 'Audit Trail' explaining the reasoning for each of the modifications proposed to the monitoring indicators**

Indicator Number	Summary of Proposed Modifications to Indicator included in new Local Plan Appendix E (replacing Figure 4)	Justification for Proposed Modifications	Equivalent Cambridge Local Plan Policy
Indicator M1	Amend indicator related to the housing trajectory to specifically refer to five year supply calculations, and add targets, data sources, triggers and actions, and reflect the joint approach to the Greater Cambridge housing trajectory.	<p>Addition of targets, data sources, triggers and actions to make the monitoring indicator SMART.</p> <p>The modifications proposed ensure that the indicator, targets and triggers are consistent (where possible) across both the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans.</p> <p>The modifications reflect the joint approach to 5 year housing land supply with Cambridge City Council.</p>	Policy 3 – Spatial Strategy for the Location of Residential Development
Indicator M2	Amend indicator relating to dwellings completed by settlement category to refer to the whole Greater Cambridge development sequence, and add data source. Explain there is no target, trigger and action as this is a contextual indicator.	<p>Contextual indicator, to provide information on the implementation of the development strategy against the development sequence, to inform the local plan review.</p> <p>Addition of data source.</p> <p>The modifications proposed ensure that the indicator, target and trigger are consistent (where possible) across both the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans.</p>	Policy 3 – Spatial Strategy for the Location of Residential Development
Indicator M2a	Add indicator regarding affordable housing completions, replacing indicator M25	Moved from M25. This indicator is not directly related to monitoring Policy H/9 and better relates to Policy S/5: Provision of New Jobs and Homes, which includes specific requirements for the total number of dwellings, including affordable housing. Annual collection of data is important for monitoring purposes and to create an evidence base to inform a review of the Local Plan. This indicator therefore does not include specific triggers and actions.	Policy 3 – Spatial Strategy for the Location of Residential Development

Indicator Number	Summary of Proposed Modifications to Indicator included in new Local Plan Appendix E (replacing Figure 4)	Justification for Proposed Modifications	Equivalent Cambridge Local Plan Policy
		The modifications proposed ensure that the indicator is consistent (where possible) across both the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans.	
Indicators M3 and M4	Add data source to indicator related to monitoring development on previously developed land. Explain there is no target, trigger and action as this is a contextual indicator.	Contextual indicators, to provide information on the implementation of the development strategy and the use of previously developed land.  Addition of data source.	n/a
Indicator M5	Delete indicator related to monitoring public transport accessibility of new residential development to services and facilities.	The data necessary for this indicator is no longer easily available. The development strategy directs new developments to the most sustainable locations, and public transport accessibility has been considered in determining the settlement category for each village in the district. Indicator M2 will monitor whether new development is being delivered in accordance with the development strategy.	n/a
Indicator M6	Add target, data source, trigger and actions to indicator related to monitoring number of new jobs created and employment land supply.	Addition of target, data source, trigger and actions to make the monitoring indicator SMART.  The modifications proposed ensure that the indicator, target, and trigger are consistent (where possible) across both the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans. Paragraph 2.36 references the outcome of the Employment Land Review 2012, which indicates a net need for 143,000m <sup>2</sup> floorspace or 43ha. of land in B uses classes to accommodate the anticipated element of jobs growth in 'B' uses. Monitoring indicates a flexibly supply of land above this level.	Policy 2 – Spatial Strategy for the Location of Employment Development

Indicator Number	Summary of Proposed Modifications to Indicator included in new Local Plan Appendix E (replacing Figure 4)	Justification for Proposed Modifications	Equivalent Cambridge Local Plan Policy
		The ONS Jobs Density data is based on an annual survey of a sample of the population, and therefore the figures fluctuate annually. The trigger is therefore based on considering the trend over a rolling five year period so that the annual fluctuations are less pronounced.	
Indicator M7	Add targets, data sources, triggers and actions to indicator related to monitoring strategic site allocations.	<p>Addition of targets, data sources, triggers and actions to make the monitoring indicator SMART.</p> <p>The modifications proposed ensure that the indicators, targets, and triggers are consistent (where possible) across both the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans.</p> <p>The delivery of sites will be reviewed annually against the published housing trajectories. Therefore whilst specific figures are not included in the schedule, the indicator is SMART in monitoring against the figures in the last published housing trajectory. This will ensure SMART and meaningful indicators that remain relevant during the course of the plan period.</p> <p>The production of the Cambridge Northern Fringe Area Action Plan will be tested against the agreed Local Development Scheme.</p>	<p>Policy 12 - Cambridge East</p> <p>Policy 14 – Cambridge Northern Fringe East and New Railway Station Area of Major Change</p> <p>Policy 19 – Land between Huntingdon Road and Histon Road Area of Major Change</p>
Indicators M8 and M9	Combined these two indicators into a single indicator to monitor renewable energy capacity	These indicators are not directly related to the specific requirements of policies in the Local Plan; however annual collection of data is important for monitoring purposes and to	n/a

Indicator Number	Summary of Proposed Modifications to Indicator included in new Local Plan Appendix E (replacing Figure 4)	Justification for Proposed Modifications	Equivalent Cambridge Local Plan Policy
	Add target and data source.	create an evidence base to inform a review of the Local Plan. These indicators therefore do not include specific triggers and actions.	
Indicator M10	Add target, data source, trigger and actions to indicator related to monitoring the use of onsite renewable and low carbon energy technologies in new developments.	Addition of target, data source, trigger and actions to make the monitoring indicator SMART. A notional trigger is included to provide a benchmark for monitoring although it is not included in the policy.	n/a
Indicators M11 and M12	Delete indicator M11 related to monitoring development completed on flood plains and in flood risk areas.  Split indicator M12 related to monitoring planning permissions granted where the Environment Agency initially objected into two separate indicators (M11a and M12), and add targets, data sources, triggers and actions.	Indicators M11 and M12 are both related to monitoring developments and their risk of flooding. It is not necessary to include two very similar indicators for one policy.  The Local Plan includes separate policies relating to Water Quality and Flood Risk, and it is therefore more appropriate to have a separate indicator for each policy.  Addition of targets, data sources, triggers and actions to make each monitoring indicator SMART.  The modifications proposed ensure that the indicators, targets, and triggers are consistent (where possible) across both the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans.	Policy 31 – Integrated Water Management and the Water Cycle  Policy 32 – Flood Risk
Indicator M13	Amend the indicator to reflect the proposed modifications to Policy CC/4: Sustainable Design and Construction, and add target, data source, trigger and actions to indicator related to monitoring water consumption of new housing	Addition of target, data source, trigger and actions to make the monitoring indicator SMART.  A notional trigger is included to provide a benchmark for monitoring although it is not included in the policy.	Policy 27 – Carbon Reduction, Community Energy Networks,

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	developments.	The modifications proposed ensure that the indicator, target, and trigger are consistent (where possible) across both the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans.	Sustainable Design and Construction, and Water Use
Indicator M14	Add target, data source, trigger and actions to indicator related to monitoring water consumption of new non-residential developments.	<p>Addition of target, data source, trigger and actions to make the monitoring indicator SMART.</p> <p>A notional trigger is included to provide a benchmark for monitoring although it is not included in the policy.</p> <p>The modifications proposed ensure that the indicator, target, and trigger are consistent (where possible) across both the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans.</p> <p>Policy CC/4: Sustainable Design and Construction applies to all non-residential developments, however, it is unlikely to be appropriate to require the policy on small extensions and changes of use although this is not specifically stated in the policy or its supporting text. A methodology for monitoring non-residential developments to determine whether they have met the requirements of the policy will need to be developed, and will be outlined in the Annual Monitoring Report alongside the data.</p>	Policy 27 – Carbon Reduction, Community Energy Networks, Sustainable Design and Construction, and Water Use
Indicator M15	Delete indicator related to assessing new housing developments against the Building for Life standard.	Policy HQ/1: Design Principles does not include any specific requirements relating to assessing new housing developments against the Building for Life standard, and therefore unable to make the indicator SMART by setting targets, triggers and actions.	n/a

Indicator Number	Summary of Proposed Modifications to Indicator included in new Local Plan Appendix E (replacing Figure 4)	Justification for Proposed Modifications	Equivalent Cambridge Local Plan Policy
		The design quality of proposed new developments will be considered and appraised through other processes, including urban design officer comments on planning applications and through the use of the Council's Design Enabling Panel.	
Indicator M16	Add target, data source, trigger and action to indicator related to monitoring the affects of new development on internationally or nationally important nature conservation area(s).	Addition of target, data source, trigger and action to make the monitoring indicator SMART.  The modifications proposed ensure that the indicator, target, and trigger are consistent (where possible) across both the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans.	Policy 70 – Protection of Priority Species and Habitats
Indicator M17	Add target, data sources, trigger and action to indicator related to monitoring the amount of inappropriate development permitted in the Green Belt.	Addition of target, data sources, trigger and action to make the monitoring indicator SMART.  The modifications proposed ensure that the indicator, target, and trigger are consistent (where possible) across both the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans.	Policy 4 – The Cambridge Green Belt
Indicator M18	Split indicator related to monitoring the amount of development completed within a Local Green Space and within or adjacent to a Protected Village Amenity Area into two separate indicators (M18 and M18a), and add targets, data sources, triggers and actions.	The Local Plan includes separate policies relating to Local Green Spaces and Protected Village Amenity Areas, and it is therefore more appropriate to have a separate indicator for each policy.  Addition of targets, data sources, triggers and actions to make each monitoring indicator SMART.	n/a
Indicator M19	Add target, data sources, trigger and action to indicator related to monitoring amount of development completed	Addition of target, data sources, trigger and action to make the monitoring indicator SMART.	n/a

Indicator Number	Summary of Proposed Modifications to Indicator included in new Local Plan Appendix E (replacing Figure 4)	Justification for Proposed Modifications	Equivalent Cambridge Local Plan Policy
	adjacent to an Important Countryside Frontage.		
Indicator M20	Add target, data source, trigger and actions to indicator related to monitoring change in areas of biodiversity importance.	<p>Addition of target, data source, trigger and actions to make the monitoring indicator SMART.</p> <p>The modifications proposed ensure that the indicator, target, and trigger are consistent (where possible) across both the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans.</p>	Policy 69 – Protection of Biodiversity and Geodiversity
Indicators M21 and M22	<p>Add targets, data source, triggers and actions to indicator M21 related to monitoring the average net density of housing developments.</p> <p>Delete indicator M22 related to monitoring new housing developments by density.</p>	<p>Indicators M21 and M22 are both related to monitoring the density of new housing developments. It is not necessary to include two very similar indicators for one policy.</p> <p>Addition of targets, data source, triggers and actions to make the monitoring indicator SMART.</p>	n/a
Indicator M23	Add data source to indicator related to monitoring number of bedrooms in new homes, and clarify that it is a contextual indicator	<p>This indicator is not directly related to the specific requirements of the Policy H/8: Housing Mix, which includes specific requirements for the number of bedrooms in new market homes on developments of 10 or more dwellings specifically and is covered by M24. However, annual collection of data across all housing developments is also important for monitoring purposes and to create an evidence base to inform a review of the Local Plan. This indicator therefore does not include specific triggers and actions.</p> <p>The modifications proposed ensure that the indicator is consistent (where possible) across both the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans.</p>	Policy 45 – Affordable Housing and Dwelling Mix

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Indicator M24	Add target, data source, trigger and actions to indicator related to monitoring number of bedrooms in market homes on developments of 10 or more dwellings.	Addition of target, data source, trigger and actions to make the monitoring indicator SMART.	n/a
Indicator M25	<p>Add target and data source to indicator related to monitoring affordable homes completed.</p> <p>Move indicator to be new M2a forming part of set of indicators monitoring policies in Chapter 2: Spatial Strategy, rather than part of the set of indicators monitoring policies in Chapter 7: Delivering High Quality Homes.</p>	<p>This indicator is not directly related to monitoring Policy H/9 and better relates to Policy S/5: Provision of New Jobs and Homes, which includes specific requirements for the total number of dwellings, including affordable housing. Annual collection of data is important for monitoring purposes and to create an evidence base to inform a review of the Local Plan. This indicator therefore does not include specific triggers and actions.</p> <p>The modifications proposed ensure that the indicator is consistent (where possible) across both the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans.</p> <p>Note: See also M32 which monitors affordable housing provision against Policy H/9.</p>	Policy 45 – Affordable Housing and Dwelling Mix
Indicator M26	Add target, data source trigger and actions to indicator related to monitoring affordable homes completed on rural exception sites to monitoring progress towards City Deal commitment to deliver an additional 1,000 homes on rural	As part of the City Deal agreement, the partners committed to the delivery of an additional 1,000 new homes on rural exception sites in addition to the acceleration of delivery of the Greater Cambridge housing requirement. Proposed modifications to the South Cambridgeshire Local Plan in relation to the City Deal commitment and the methodology to	n/a



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	exception sites.	<p>be used to monitor the commitment were submitted to the Inspectors in November 2016<sup>1</sup>.</p> <p>Inclusion of target, data source, trigger and actions to make this new element of the monitoring indicator SMART. The date used for the trigger is the end of the monitoring year (i.e. 31 March) in which it is anticipated that there will be a surplus in terms of delivery against the housing requirement for Greater Cambridge. This is based on anticipated housing delivery as set out in the Greater Cambridge housing trajectory, published in the South Cambridgeshire Annual Monitoring Report 2015-2016<sup>2</sup>.</p>	
Indicator M27	Add targets, data source, trigger and actions to indicator related to monitoring Gypsy & Traveller pitches and Travelling Showpeople plots completed.	<p>Addition of targets, data source, trigger and actions to make the monitoring indicator SMART.</p> <p>The modifications proposed ensure that the indicator, targets, and triggers are consistent (where possible) across both the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans.</p>	Policy 49 – Provision for Gypsies and Travellers
Indicator M27a	New indicator	To monitor the needs of those that meet the planning definition of gypsies and travellers and those that do not meet the definition but can demonstrate a cultural need for caravan accommodation.	Policy 49 – Provision for Gypsies and Travellers
Indicator M28	Add target and data source to indicator related to monitoring number of caravans on unauthorised Gypsy & Traveller sites.	This indicator is not directly related to the specific requirements of policies in the Local Plan; however, annual collection of data is important for monitoring purposes. This indicator therefore	Policy 49 – Provision for Gypsies and

<sup>1</sup> Further Proposed Modifications to the South Cambridgeshire Local Plan (November 2016) (RD/FM/010), pages 10-11

<sup>2</sup> South Cambridgeshire Annual Monitoring Report 2015-2016 (published in December 2016) (RD/AD/480), figure 4.10, pages 45-54

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		<p>does not include specific triggers and actions.</p> <p>The modifications proposed ensure that the indicator, target, and triggers are consistent (where possible) across both the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans.</p>	Travellers
Indicator M29	Amend the indicator to reflect the proposed modifications to Policy H/1: Allocations for Residential Development at Villages, and add targets, data sources, triggers and actions to indicator related to monitoring residential allocations at villages.	<p>Addition of targets, data sources, triggers and actions to make the monitoring indicator SMART.</p> <p>Delivery will be monitored against the annually published housing trajectory. Therefore whilst specific figures are not included in the schedule, the indicator is SMART in monitoring against the figures in the last published housing trajectory. This will ensure SMART and meaningful indicators that remain relevant during the course of the plan period.</p> <p>Policies H/4: Fen Drayton Former Land Settlement Association Estate and Policy E/8: Mixed Use Development in Histon &amp; Impington Station Area set out special policies for specific sites but do not set specific requirements to enable triggers and actions to be set. However annual collection of data is important for monitoring purposes and to create an evidence base to inform a review of the Local Plan.</p>	n/a
Indicator M30	Add target, data source, trigger and action to indicator related to monitoring delivery of residential moorings at Chesterton Fen Road, Milton.	<p>Addition of target, data source, trigger and action to make the monitoring indicator SMART.</p> <p>The modifications proposed ensure that the indicator, target, and trigger are consistent (where possible) across both the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans.</p>	Policy 54 – Residential Moorings

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		There is currently no specific timetable for the delivery of these residential moorings. If no progress has been made towards their delivery by five years before the end of the plan period, it is unlikely that the scheme could be delivered within the plan period. This has formed the basis of the notional trigger being set at 31 March 2026.	
Indicator M31	Amend the indicator to reflect the proposed modifications to Policy H/8: Housing Mix, and add target, data sources, trigger and actions to indicator related to monitoring homes completed to the accessible and adaptable dwellings standard.	Addition of target, data sources, trigger and actions to make the monitoring indicator SMART.	n/a
Indicator M32	Add target, data source, trigger and actions to indicator related to monitoring affordable dwellings permitted as a percentage of all dwellings permitted on developments meeting the threshold set out in the policy.	Addition of target, data source, trigger and actions to make each monitoring indicator SMART.  The modifications proposed ensure that the indicator, target, and trigger are consistent (where possible) across both the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans.	Policy 45 – Affordable Housing and Dwelling Mix
Indicators M33 and M34	Combine with M6	The modifications proposed ensure that the indicator is consistent (where possible) across both the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans.	Policy 2 – Spatial Strategy for Location of Employment Development
Indicators M35	Add target, data source, trigger and	Indicators M35 and M36 are both related to monitoring	Policy 41 –

Indicator Number	Summary of Proposed Modifications to Indicator included in new Local Plan Appendix E (replacing Figure 4)	Justification for Proposed Modifications	Equivalent Cambridge Local Plan Policy
	actions to indicator M35 related to monitoring employment land lost to non-employment uses.	<p>employment land lost, with indicator M36 specifically focussing on employment land lost to residential uses.</p> <p>The modifications proposed ensure that the indicator is consistent (where possible) across both the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans.</p> <p>The trigger for M35 is based on historic data that shows that annually between 2002 and 2016, for the majority of years less than 5 ha of employment land has been lost to non-employment uses<sup>3</sup>. In these years, this loss of employment land tends to be the result of the redevelopment of the site for housing development, as allocated in the Local Development Framework (or Local Plan).</p>	Protection of Business Space
Indicator M37	Add target and data source to indicator related to monitoring retail development.	<p>This indicator is not directly related to the specific requirements of policies in the Local Plan; however annual collection of data is important for monitoring purposes and to create an evidence base to inform a review of the Local Plan. This indicator therefore does not include specific triggers and actions.</p> <p>The modifications proposed ensure that the indicator is consistent (where possible) across both the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans.</p>	Policy 6 – Hierarchy of Centres and Retail Capacity
Indicator M38	Amend the indicator to reflect the proposed modifications to include Policy E/1B: Land South of Cambridge	Addition of targets, data sources, triggers and actions to make the monitoring indicator SMART.	n/a

<sup>3</sup> South Cambridgeshire Annual Monitoring Report 2015-2016 (published in December 2016) (RD/AD/480), figure 4.49 and 4.50, page 99

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	Biomedical Campus, and add targets, data sources, triggers and actions to indicator related to monitoring employment allocations.	<p>There is no specific timetable for the delivery of these employment allocations. If no progress has been made towards their delivery by five years before the end of the plan period, it is unlikely that the scheme could be delivered within the plan period. This has formed the basis of the notional trigger being set at 31 March 2026.</p> <p>Policies E/1: New Employment Provision near Cambridge – Cambridge Science Park, E/5: Papworth Hospital, E/8: Mixed-Use Development in Histon &amp; Impington Station Area, and H/3: Papworth Everard West Central set out special policies for specific sites but do not set specific requirements to enable triggers and actions to be set. However annual collection of data is important for monitoring purposes and to create an evidence base to inform a review of the Local Plan.</p> <p>Policies E/7: Fulbourn and Ida Darwin Hospitals, H/1a: Dales Manor Business Park, Sawston, H/1f: Green End Industrial Estate, Gamlingay, and H/2: Bayer CropScience Site, Hauxton, allocate land for housing led mixed use developments. Indicator M29 sets triggers and actions for these sites based on the delivery of the residential uses.</p>	
Indicator M39	Add target and data source to indicator related to monitoring provision of open space allocations.	There is currently no known timetable for the delivery of these open space allocations. If no progress has been made towards their delivery by five years before the end of the plan period, it is unlikely that the scheme could be delivered within the plan period. This has formed the basis of the notional trigger being set at 31 March 2026.	n/a

Indicator Number	Summary of Proposed Modifications to Indicator included in new Local Plan Appendix E (replacing Figure 4)	Justification for Proposed Modifications	Equivalent Cambridge Local Plan Policy
Indicator M40	Delete the elements of this indicator related to monitoring Policy SC/3: Protection of Village Services and Facilities, and add target, data sources, trigger and action related to monitoring Policy SC/9: Protection of Existing Recreation Areas, Allotments and Community Orchards.	<p>Addition of target, data sources, trigger and action to make the monitoring indicator related to Policy SC/9: Protection of Existing Recreation Areas, Allotments and Community Orchards SMART.</p> <p>The modifications proposed ensure that the indicator, target, and trigger are consistent (where possible) across both the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans.</p> <p>From monitoring data collected on planning permissions granted or appeals allowed resulting in the gain or loss of non-residential uses it is not possible to monitor Policy SC/3: Protection of Village Services and Facilities, therefore unable to make this element of the indicator SMART by setting targets, triggers and actions.</p>	Policy 67 – Protection of Open Space
Indicator M41	Add target and data sources to indicator related to monitoring provision of open space, outdoor recreation and children’s play space in new developments.	<p>Although Policies SC/7: Outdoor Play Space, Informal Open Space and New Developments and SC/8: Open Space Standards set specific requirements for the provision of open space on site in new housing developments, negotiations are undertaken to determine the types of space to be provided on site, needs of the area, existing provision and any identified deficiencies in supply. It is therefore not appropriate to set a trigger and actions for this indicator; however annual collection of data is important for monitoring purposes and to create an evidence base to inform a review of the Local Plan.</p> <p>The modifications proposed ensure that the indicator, target, and trigger are consistent (where possible) across both the</p>	Policy 68 – Open Space and Recreation Provision through New Development

Indicator Number	Summary of Proposed Modifications to Indicator included in new Local Plan Appendix E (replacing Figure 4)	Justification for Proposed Modifications	Equivalent Cambridge Local Plan Policy
		Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans.	
Indicator M42	Add target and data sources to indicator related to monitoring investment secured for infrastructure and community facilities through developer contributions.	<p>Policy TI/8: Infrastructure and New Developments does not set specific requirements, and therefore it is not appropriate to set a trigger and actions for this indicator. However annual collection of data is important for monitoring purposes and to create an evidence base to inform a review of the Local Plan.</p> <p>The modifications proposed ensure that the indicator, target, and trigger are consistent (where possible) across both the Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans.</p>	Policy 85 – Infrastructure Delivery, Planning Obligations and the Community Infrastructure Levy

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# Agenda Item 5

**REPORT TO:** Planning Portfolio holder

26 July 2017

**LEAD OFFICER:** Joint Director of Planning and Economic Development

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## **Land North of Cherry Hinton Draft Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)**

### **Purpose**

1. To provide an update on the preparation and next steps for the SPD for Land North of Cherry Hinton (LNCH).
2. This is not a key decision because the SPD does not create new policy, but provides further guidance on delivering an identified development site in the Council's emerging Local Plan.

### **Recommendations**

3. It is recommended that the Portfolio Holder agrees:
  - a) The content of the draft Land North of Cherry Hinton SPD (Appendix A);
  - b) That any amendments which may arise from consideration of the SPD by Cambridge City Council can be agreed by the Joint Director of Planning and Economic Development in consultation with the Planning Portfolio Holder.
  - c) To approve the draft SPD for public consultation to commence in August 2017;
  - d) To approve the consultation arrangements as set out in paragraphs 16 and 17 and the proposed schedule of consultees in Appendix B.

### **Reasons for Recommendations**

4. The preparation of an SPD for Land North of Cherry Hinton, in both Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire, accords with the emerging local plans of both Councils and subject to any amendments agreement is sought to commencing public consultation on the SPD in August.

### **Executive Summary**

5. The draft Cambridge Local Plan 2014: Proposed Submission (as amended) allocates Land North of Cherry Hinton for residential-led development under Policy 12: Cambridge East. The site extends into South Cambridgeshire and the draft South Cambridgeshire Local Plan, also allocates the site for residential-led development under Policy SS/3: Cambridge East. The wording of both policies 12 and SS/3 is identical. The Councils, as the Local Planning Authorities, have been working in partnership with local stakeholders to prepare an SPD that looks at how this residential-led allocation can be delivered successfully. The work is has been guided by input from local stakeholders, including residents groups, local Councillors and other interest groups, at a series of workshops. The SPD will help guide the development of the area and will provide greater certainty and detail to support delivery of the site.

6. The draft Land North of Cherry Hinton SPD (Appendix A) has been produced for public consultation. The document outlines the aspirations for the area, as well as the key issues, constraints and opportunities that will influence how new development will take place. Detailed local and stakeholder consultation has taken place which has helped inform the drafting of the SPD. The statement of consultation for the draft development framework SPD is set out in Appendix B to this committee report.
7. An eight week public consultation is proposed to take place commencing in August 2017. The statutory minimum period for consultation on an SPD is six weeks, as this consultation period runs over the summer holidays it is proposed that it is extended to run for eight weeks so as to allow everyone an opportunity to respond.

### **Background**

8. The site is located between Airport Way and Cambridge Airport, north of Coldham's Lane, west of Teversham, and site comprises 47ha in area. The largest part of the site is currently in agricultural use with the western-most areas forming part of the Airport land. The site is part of a larger site that is allocated for development in the Cambridge East Area Action Plan, and this smaller part of the site is proposed to continue to be allocated within the emerging Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans for residential development with a primary school secondary school, a local centre with community hub, open space and a spine road connecting Coldham's Lane with Cherry Hinton Road.
9. The City and District Council as the Local Planning Authorities have been working in partnership with Cambridgeshire County Council, the landowners and local interest groups to consider ways to deliver development on site in a successful manner. In preparing the draft SPD, a workshop took place on 9 March 2017, and the comments provided at this workshop proved valuable in helping shape the document prior to a second workshop that was held on 7 April. Comments from both workshops have been instrumental in the development of the SPD. An event record for these workshops has been produced and can be found at Appendix C.
10. A full summary of the points made by the workshop participants can be found in the statement of consultation at Appendix B. Some of these points are pulled out below:
  - Spine Road – strong desire to avoid rat running;
  - Cycling – consensus that cycle routes could play an important role in minimising traffic through the development and providing sustainable access to key destinations and local facilities;
  - Secondary school should be placed carefully in relation to transport routes, possibly on the edge of development;
  - Allotments – should be located between the built development and existing village;
  - There should be a clear green edge with Teversham;
  - Airport – felt to be an interesting view;
  - Character – a mix of styles are found in Cherry Hinton; and
  - Height – 4/5 story maximum.
11. The draft Land North of Cherry Hinton SPD (Appendix A) includes the following key sections:
  1. Introduction
  2. Planning Policy Context
  3. The Site and Surrounding Area

- 4. Vision and Key Principles
- 5. Framework Principles and Masterplan

12. Some key diagrams of note from the draft SPD are shown below. In summary, these diagrams note the following:
- Two options setting out the route for the main spine road through the development (Appendix A, Figures 41 & 42, page 49)



- Indicative pedestrian and cycle routes through the site (Appendix A, Figure 44, page 51)



Figure 44: Indicative pedestrian and cycle routes

- Indicative landscape framework plan (Appendix A, Figure 50, page 63)

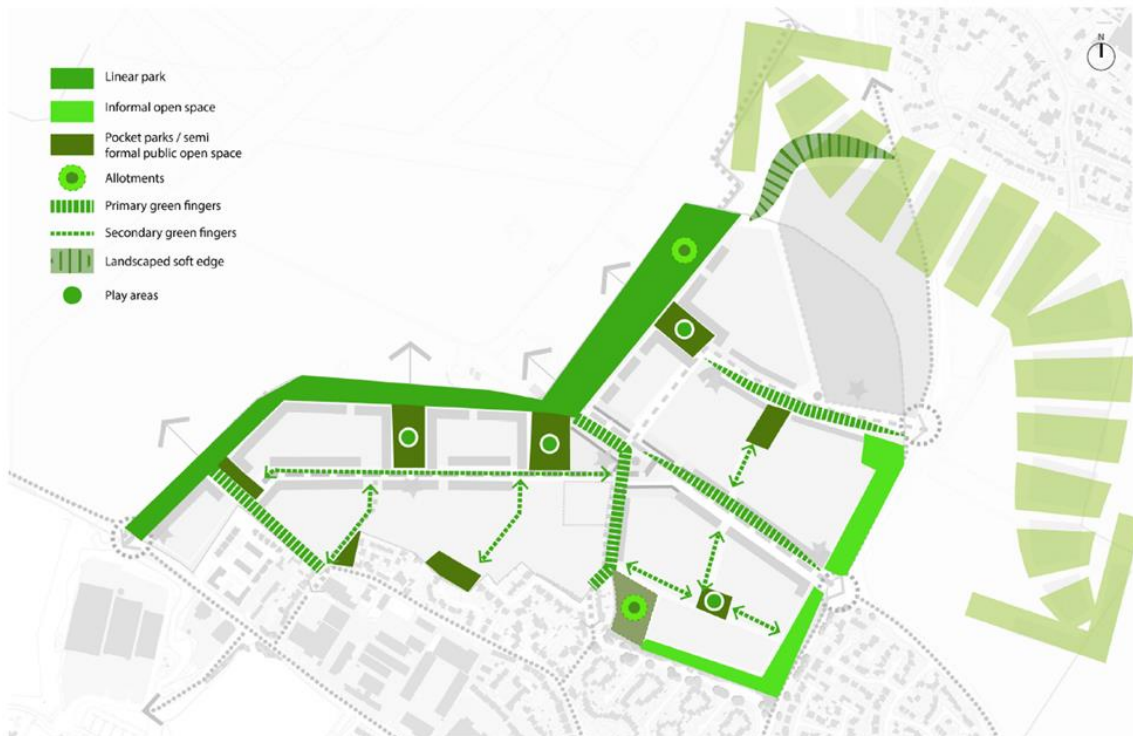


Figure 50: Indicative landscape framework plan

- Indicative building heights plan (Appendix A, Figure 51, page 70)



Figure 51: Indicative building heights strategy

13. One of the key questions the consultation is asking for views on the best route for a spine road through the site. The two access points for this spine road have been determined by: ensuring there is a large enough gap between the access for the Western Home scheme (adjacent to Hatherdene Close) and access to the site; and using the existing roundabout at the Cherry Hinton Road / Gazelle Way junction. The consultation is then asking for people's views on whether it should run along the northern boundary of the site or through the centre of the site. Page 49 of the SPD (see Appendix A) sets out the advantages and disadvantages of each of these options.
14. The consultation also notes the fact that there is also a possibility to introduce a bus gate along the spine road to prevent private motor vehicles passing all the way through the site.
15. The indicative building heights strategy seeks to have lower density development along the southern portion of the site, adjacent to Cherry Hinton, and increasing density northwards through the site. The highest density development will be around the Local Centre and main activity zone. This strategy will allow the site to deliver the dwellings required to meet South Cambridgeshire's (and Cambridge's) housing need, while integrating well with edge of the urban area and the surrounding airport and countryside.

### Consultation Arrangements

16. The statement of consultation for the draft development framework SPD is set out in Appendix B. It is proposed that a public consultation takes place running from 7

August for eight weeks to 2 October 2017. The statutory minimum period for consultation on an SPD is six weeks, as this consultation period runs over the summer holidays it is proposed that it is extended to run for eight weeks so as to allow everyone an opportunity to respond.

17. In line with the Councils' adopted Statements of Community Involvement, the proposed consultation arrangements will be as follows:
  - Letters / e-mails including consultation details to be sent to statutory and general consultees.
  - The draft SPD to be made available to view at the following locations:
    - Online on the City Council's website:  
<https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/land-north-cherry-hinton-spd>
    - At the City Council's Customer Service Centre at Mandela House, 4 Regent Street, Cambridge, CB2 1BY from 9am-5.15pm Monday to Friday.
    - South Cambridgeshire Hall, Cambourne Business Park, Cambourne, Cambridge, CB23 6EA;
    - At Cherry Hinton Library.
  - An [online consultation system](#) will be available on the City Council's website in order for people to respond directly via the internet. Hard copies of the response form will be made available at the Council's Customer Service Centre for those who do not have access to the internet.
  - Two exhibitions will be held in the local area during the course of the consultation. The date and location of which will be agreed at a later date, however it is intended to have one towards the start of the consultation process and one in September, when schools are back. Once arranged, the event will be advertised locally.
18. Sustainability Appraisals and Habitats Regulations Assessment Screening Reports have been carried out and consulted upon for the draft Cambridge Local Plan 2014 and the draft South Cambridgeshire Local Plan. These consultations took place in 2013 and in relation to plan modifications between December 2015 and January 2016. These documents, along with other supporting documents will also be made available to view during this consultation. As the draft SPD supports the draft Cambridge Local Plan and draft South Cambridgeshire Local Plan, there is no further need to undertake a separate Sustainability Appraisal or Habitats Regulations Assessment for this document, although screening reports have been completed and will be made available during the consultation.

### **Next Steps**

19. The representations received will then be used to help guide the development of the draft SPD and will be reported along with the final version of the development framework.
20. The document will be adopted by the Councils as an SPD at the same time as, or shortly after, they adopt their respective Local Plans. It cannot be adopted before the Local Plans are adopted as it is the Local Plans that provides the policy basis for this site's designation as a residential-led allocation.

## Implications

21. There are no significant financial, legal or staffing implications for the Council. In terms of environmental implications the development of Land North of Cherry Hinton as set out in the SPD will provide new open spaces and recreation uses, it will take into account impacts from and on flooding and will be designed to a high standard. It should also enable the development of energy efficient buildings as well as the inclusion of renewable and low carbon energy generation.

## Equality and Diversity

22. The SPD, once adopted, will have a positive impact by providing houses and infrastructure to meet Cambridge's and South Cambridgeshire's needs.

## Consultation responses

23. None

## Effect on Strategic Aims

### **A. LIVING WELL Support our communities to remain in good health whilst continuing to protect the natural and built environment**

23. LNCH and the other strategic developments form a key part of the sustainable development strategy contained in the submitted Local Plan. Preparation of the SPD will help ensure that the site is built in a way that supports healthy lifestyles and protects and brings overall benefits to the natural and built environment.

### **B. HOMES FOR OUR FUTURE**

#### **Secure the delivery of a wide range of housing to meet the needs of existing and future communities**

24. LNCH and the other strategic sites are a key part of the Local Plan aim to support delivery of new homes to meet identified needs.

### **C. CONNECTED COMMUNITIES**

#### **Work with partners to ensure new transport and digital infrastructure supports and strengthens communities and that our approach to growth sustains prosperity**

25. Preparing an SPD for the site means transport and digital infrastructure can be appropriately planned to accommodate growth.

### **D. AN INNOVATIVE AND DYNAMIC ORGANISATION**

#### **Adopt a more commercial and business-like approach to ensure we can continue to deliver the best possible services at the lowest possible cost**

26. The proposed approach to preparation of the SPD reflects this strategic aim.

## Background Papers

These background papers were used in the preparation of this report:

- South Cambridgeshire Proposed Submission Local Plan (as amended)  
<https://www.scambs.gov.uk/localplan>
- Cambridge Local Plan 2014: Proposed Submission (as amended)  
<https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/local-plan-review>
- South Cambridgeshire Statement of Community Involvement  
<https://www.scambs.gov.uk/content/statement-community-involvement>
- Cambridge City Council – Statement of Community Involvement:

[https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/sites/default/files/documents/Statement\\_of\\_Community\\_Involvement.pdf](https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/sites/default/files/documents/Statement_of_Community_Involvement.pdf)

- Land North of Cheery Hinton SPD background documents can be found at [www.cambridge.gov.uk/land-north-cherry-hinton-spd](http://www.cambridge.gov.uk/land-north-cherry-hinton-spd)

These documents include:

- Habitats Regulations Assessment Screening Report;
- Sustainability Appraisal Screening Report;
- Land North of Cherry Hinton Statement of Consultation;
- Land North of Cherry Hinton Workshop Events Record;
- Land North of Cherry Hinton Equalities Impact Assessment

## **Appendices**

- Appendix A: Land North of Cherry Hinton Supplementary Planning Document (Draft)
- Appendix B: Land North of Cherry Hinton SPD Statement of Consultation
- Appendix C: Land North of Cherry Hinton Workshop Event Record

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## Work Programme 2017-18 – Planning Portfolio

Date of Planning Portfolio Holder meeting	Reports to be signed off and sent to Dem Services by 5pm on:	Title of Report	Key/ Non-key	If key – reason (see below)	Purpose of report e.g. for recommendation/ decision/ monitoring	Report Author	Date added Corporate (contact Vi Wallace)
To be rescheduled		Cottenham Neighbourhood plan			Comment on Proposals.	Caroline Hunt	<b>Agenda Item 6</b>
Item for Cabinet		CIL	Non-key		To endorse rec'n to withdraw draft charging schedule from public examn	James Fisher	
25 August 2017	Weds. 16 August	Heritage sites update			Update and monitoring.	Jane Green	

## Work Programme 2017-18 – Planning Portfolio

	Weds. 16 August	Central Beds Local Plan consultation			Response to consultation	Caroline Hunt	
	Weds. 16 August	Uttlesford Local Plan			Response to consultation	Caroline Hunt	
	Weds. 16 August	HDC Local Plan					
September 2017 date tbc							

## Work Programme 2017-18 – Planning Portfolio

October 2017 Date tbc		Waterbeach New Town SPD			To endorse draft SPD for consultation	Katie Parry	
		Local Plan Modification report (might be November)			Decision	Caroline Hunt	
7 November 2017	Friday 27 October	Foxton Conservation Area	Non key		To endorse proposed extension and management plan for consultation	Rachel Cleminson	

## Work Programme 2017-18 – Planning Portfolio

December 2017 Date tbc (Mid Dec preferable)		Annual monitoring report				Jenny Nuttycombe	
January 2018 Date tbc		Foxton Conservation Area	Non key		Decision	Rachel Cleminson	
February 2018 Date tbc		Waterbeach New Town SPD			Decision (resolution to adopt once Local Plan has been adopted)	Katie Parry	

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### Key Decisions

1. it is likely to result in the Council incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the Council's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates, or
  2. it is likely to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area of the District comprising two or more wards.
- In determining the meaning of 'significant' for the purposes of the above, the Council must have regard to any guidance for the time being issued by the Secretary of State in accordance with section 9Q of the 2000 Act (guidance)

Key decisions can only be made after they have been on the Corporate Forward Plan for at least 28 clear calendar days not including the day on which they first appear on the Forward Plan or the day on which the decision is to be made.