



Open Space Strategy

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1. Introduction

Open spaces are spread throughout the district, with most spaces open and accessible to all.

Access to high quality open spaces such as parks, commons, sports pitches, woodlands and allotments play an important role in helping people to lead healthy lives. Open spaces are recognised in the Wellbeing Space Strategy 2015 as being important to health and wellbeing. There is significant and growing evidence that access to good quality green space is associated with a range of positive health outcomes including better self-rated health, lower body mass index scores, reduced overweight and obesity levels and improved mental health¹. It is essential the district utilises open spaces for health and exercise reasons, to align with the county's priority of empowering its "citizens to lead healthier lives."²

Attractive, safe and accessible parks and other open spaces contribute to positive social, economic and environmental benefits. Open spaces can provide a venue for formal and informal events, fitness activities, social meetings, and supporting green infrastructure. Open spaces will play a key role in building a more sustainable and climate- friendly Britain. This vision has been expressed on a national scale in the Government's publication "25 Year Plan to Improve the Environment", which sets out activities at local levels³ such as the sustainable use of land, enhancing and recovering the beauty of nature, and "connecting people with the environment to improve health and wellbeing".

Open spaces play a vital role in reducing the effects of climate change, particularly the role they play in flood management and improving air quality. It is therefore essential to manage open spaces so biodiversity and environmental sustainability is maximised, countering pollution which may impact on the health of the district's residents and wildlife.



1 Public Health England & UCL Institute of Health Equity (2014) Local action on health inequalities: Improving access to green spaces, Public Health England. Online available: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/355792/Briefing8_Green_spaces_health_inequalities.pdf [Accessed 10/07/19]

2 Healthy Surrey (2019) Health and Wellbeing Strategy, Surrey Health and Wellbeing Board. Online available: <https://www.healthysurrey.org.uk/about/strategy> [Accessed 27/06/19], p. 8

3 HM Government (2018) A Green Future: Our 25 Year Plan to Improve the Environment, HM Government. Online available: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/25-year-environment-plan> [Accessed 27/06/19], p. 10



Local authorities play a key role in making open space available, whether through strategic planning policies which set out how much space should be provided, transport infrastructure that enables access, or through investment, maintenance and promotion of parks, recreation facilities and other open spaces.

The 2011 census predicted increases in the district's population, which will create additional demand for open and green spaces. Open spaces help provide a range of benefits as well as retain the district's attractiveness. Proactive management of our open spaces can offer immediate benefits to communities.

This is combined with increasing pressure on local authority budgets, which have led to many councils reviewing how they provide and manage open space. The Heritage Lottery Fund State of Public Parks report identified the national challenges facing council owned parks across the country. It also identified a number of ways in which other councils were trying to meet the financial challenges, like selling parks and green spaces, increasing charges for facilities, increasing commercial use of parks and transferring management of a park to community groups. There may be instances where the evaluation of an open space indicates its performance level is both low and cannot be raised to a satisfactory level by re-design and investment alone.

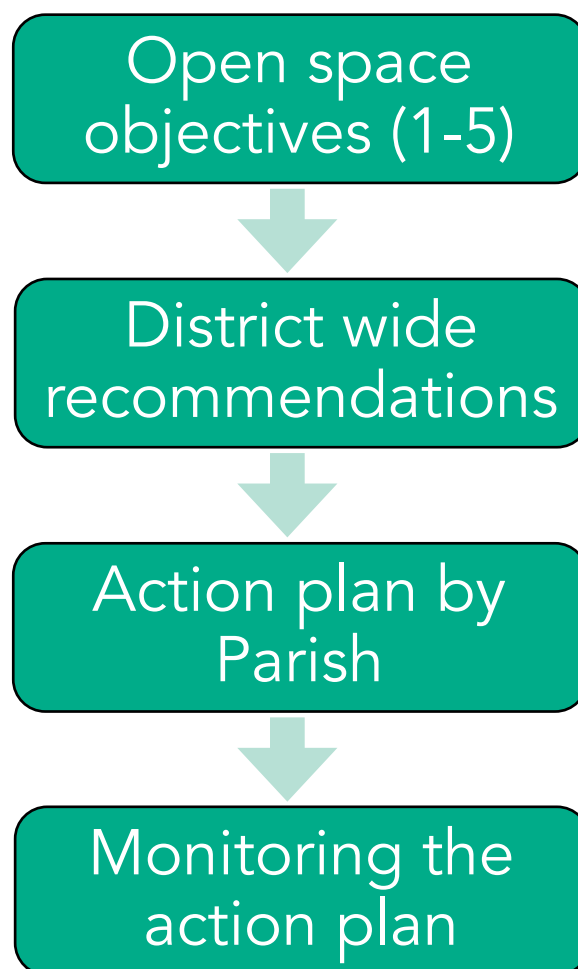
This Open Space Strategy will play an important part in the design, creation and management of open spaces in the district. It will make it easier to focus priorities, so resources are targeted to ensure access to open spaces, sustainable provision and the management and maintenance to meet the needs of residents and visitors to the district.

The importance of this role is recognised in the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), which requires local planning authorities to set out policies to enable communities to access high quality open spaces and opportunities for sport and recreation.

This strategy has been developed in accordance with the NPPF and other relevant national policies and guidance.

Figure 1 sets out the process the strategy will follow to meet the aspirations of the Council's strategic priorities and other national legislation for the open spaces in the district.

Figure 1: Open Space Strategy process



2. Tandridge district profile

Tandridge District Council is in East Surrey, bordering London to the north, Kent to the east and Sussex to the south. In 2018 the total population was 87,496, an increase of 5% since 2011.⁴ The district is predominately rural with main built up areas in Caterham, Warlingham/Whyteleafe in the north and Oxted/Hurst Green/Limpsfield just south of the M25 motorway. There are two larger rural settlements, in Lingfield in the south-east and Smallfield in the south-west. There are also several villages, other smaller settlements and areas of sporadic development. About 94% of the area is Green Belt.⁵ There are two Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), the Surrey Hills in the north and the High Weald in the south-east.

Life expectancy in the most deprived areas of the district is five years lower for men and just over five years lower for women than in the least deprived areas. Open spaces enable us to live healthier and more active lifestyles, as well as improve wellbeing and improve quality of life.

The district has a higher than average number of residents aged 65 and over, with 20.7% compared to 18.2% nationally.⁶ This trend is set to continue over the next 20 years, with this age group forecast to grow by 50%.⁷ Therefore, it is important the district's open spaces are user-friendly and accessible to this demographic.

The majority of residents have access to green open spaces and value the countryside and proximity to London. Car ownership in the district is higher than the national average, with 1.6 cars per household compared to 1.2 nationally.⁸ This could be linked to individual choice and wealth, as well as necessity due to the predominant rural nature of the district. The health of our residents is generally good or very good but 55% of adults are classified as overweight and this is 6% lower than the national average.⁹ Our unemployment levels are relatively low with 1.2% of the working age population claiming unemployment benefits compared to 2.7% nationally and 1% in Surrey.¹⁰ Again, making Tandridge's open spaces accessible and attractive to all residents may help encourage more active lifestyles.



⁴ ONS (2016) Population projections 2016-2041 for Local Authorities and Clinical Commissioning Groups in Surrey, Surrey-i. Online available: www.surreyi.gov.uk/dataset/population-projections-2016-2041 [Accessed 10/07/19]

⁵ Tandridge District Council (2019) Our Local Plan: 2033 (Regulation 22 Submission), Tandridge District Council. Online available: <https://www.tandridge.gov.uk/Portals/0/Documents/Planning%20and%20building/Planning%20strategies%20and%20policies/Local%20plan/Local%20plan%202033/Examination%20library/MAIN%20DOCUMENTS/MD1-Our-Local-Plan-2033-Submission-2019.pdf> [Accessed 10/07/19], p. 46

⁶ ONS (2018) Population estimates by broad age and gender, Surrey-i. Online available: <https://www.surreyi.gov.uk/dataset/population-estimates-by-broad-age-and-gender> [Accessed 19/07/19]

⁷ Ibid.

⁸ ONS (2011) Census: Household characteristics - amenities, cars and deprivation, Surrey-i. Online available: <https://www.surreyi.gov.uk/dataset/census-household-characteristics-amenities-cars-and-deprivation> [Accessed 19/07/19]

⁹ ONS (2016/17) Excess Weight in Adults, Surrey-i. Online available: <https://www.surreyi.gov.uk/dataset/excess-weight-in-adults> [Accessed 19/07/19]

¹⁰ ONS (2019) Unemployment - claimant count (Ward), Surrey-i. Online available: <https://www.surreyi.gov.uk/dataset/unemployment-claimant-count-ward> [Accessed 19/07/19]



3. Existing local context

This Open Space Strategy considers local, regional and national policies including the Council's Strategic Plan, the Local Plan, and several health and wellbeing strategies. We have listed some examples of key strategies and important documents, but the list below does not represent all that are available.

The Council's Strategic Plan

The Open Space Strategy is closely linked to the Council's Strategic Plan 2020/21 to 2023/24, which guides our vision for making the district a vibrant place to live, work and visit¹¹. Our priorities include "creating the homes, infrastructure and environment we need" whilst "becoming a greener, more sustainable district"¹². These priorities embody the balance required to support a prosperous district while ensuring the environment is protected and enhanced.

Core Strategy and Local Plan Part 2: Detailed Policies

A development plan sets out a local authority's policies and proposals for land use in their area. Tandridge District Council currently consists of the Core Strategy (2008)¹³, Local Plan Part 2: Detailed Policies (2014)¹⁴ and made Neighbourhood Plans from Woldingham and Limpsfield¹⁵. The Core Strategy sets out the strategic policies to steer and manage the approach to development whilst the Detailed Policies document is a suite of Development Management policies to assist in the assessment of planning applications. The Neighbourhood Plans set out Local Green Spaces that are offered the same planning policy protection as Green Belt policy. The Council are preparing a Local Plan, which will supersede the Core Strategy and some of the Detailed Policies. If adopted the Local Plan will form part of the Development Plan.

Our Local Plan: 2033

The Council is preparing a Local Plan setting out a new development strategy for the district up to 2033, which aims to deliver new homes.¹⁶

The Local Plan will help to deliver enhancements to existing physical and green/blue infrastructure, as well as aiming to provide more open space provision where there are deficits.¹⁷ The emerging Local Plan if adopted will form part of the Development Plan, which is used to assess planning applications. Appendix 1 sets out the relationship between the Development Plan and the Open Space Strategy.

Neighbourhood Plans

A number of parishes in the district have taken the opportunity afforded by the Localism Act 2012 to produce Neighbourhood Plans for their area. Once these pass through all the statutory steps, they become part of the Council's Development Plan. At the time of writing, Woldingham and Limpsfield Neighbourhood Plans have been adopted, and the joint plan for Caterham, Chaldon and Whyteleafe is well advanced. Neighbourhood plans give a more detailed picture than the Local Plan / Core Strategy and often set out which areas of green space are particularly important locally and how open space and recreation facilities in the area could be improved.

11 Tandridge District Council (2020) Strategic Plan 2020/21 – 2023/24, Tandridge District Council. Online available: https://www.tandridge.gov.uk/Portals/0/Documents/Your-council/Strategic%20Plan/Strategic_plan%20v1.0%20July%202020.pdf?ver=2020-09-04-105655-203 [Accessed 14/12/2020]

12 Ibid, fn 11, pp. 3.

13 Tandridge District Council (2008) Core Strategy, Tandridge District Council. Online available: <https://www.tandridge.gov.uk/Portals/0/Documents/Planning%20and%20building/Planning%20strategies%20and%20policies/Current%20and%20adopted%20planning%20policies/Core%20strategy/Core-Strategy.pdf> [Accessed 14/12/2020]

14 Tandridge District Council (2014) Local Plan Part 2: Detailed Policies, Tandridge District Council. Online available: <https://www.tandridge.gov.uk/Portals/0/Documents/Planning%20and%20building/Planning%20strategies%20and%20policies/Current%20and%20adopted%20planning%20policies/Core%20strategy/Local-Plan-part-2-Detailed-policies.pdf> [Accessed 14/12/2020]

15 Tandridge District Council (2020) Neighbourhood Plans, Tandridge District Council. Online available: <https://www.tandridge.gov.uk/Planning-and-building/Planning-strategies-and-policies/Neighbourhood-Plans> [Accessed 14/12/2020]

16 Ibid, fn. 5, pp: 39-40.

17 Ibid, fn. 5, pp: 10-11.



Ethos Open Space Assessment

To support the emerging Local Plan, an open space assessment was commissioned. This assessed the provision of open spaces in the district compared to the minimum quantity standards.¹⁸ The assessment shows the existing amount (in hectares) and type of open space for each parish in the district. Appendix 1 sets out how this evidence base could be utilised to seek planning obligations relating to open space.

The Open Space Assessment included a consultation with Tandridge Parish Councils.¹⁹ The consultation found, while the needs and aspirations of each Parish varied, common themes were identified as the need to refurbish and improve existing facilities and to better serve children, young and older people and sports teams. Local Parish Councils expressed a desire for additional and/or improved open spaces for play, sport and recreation.

The assessment identified the following as being necessary for high quality open spaces:

- Accessible to all members of the community.
- Safe and secure, with appropriate lighting and tree and hedge management.
- Have maintenance schedules and other important information published on-site and/or on the internet.
- Have clear signage promoting historical information, welcoming information boards and signs encouraging visitors to take their litter home.
- Have seating installed on footpaths, especially where there are good views.²⁰

Two main areas for improvement were identified in the Open Space Assessment:

- Consistency across the district. The assessment identified big differences between parishes regarding the amount of all types of open space, with some meeting the standards for all types, some meeting some of the types and some falling below the standards.
- A small number of sites did not meet the standards required because of notable levels of dissatisfaction at some sites and a lack of facilities to cater for all age groups.

The Open Space Assessment assessed all open spaces in the district and not just sites in Tandridge District Council ownership.

Playing Pitch Strategy

Concern at a national level over the loss of playing fields has prompted the development of localised playing pitch assessments and strategies. The following excerpt is taken from the Playing Pitch Strategy and covers the key conclusions related to facilities and provision of playing pitches in the district.

“The existing position for all sports is either that demand is broadly being met or that there is a shortfall, whereas the future position shows the creation of some additional shortfalls and the exacerbation of some existing shortfalls. There are current and future shortfalls of sand-based AGPs for hockey, 3G pitches and rugby union pitches and future shortfalls of football pitches and cricket squares.

It must be noted that the shortfalls evidenced are relatively minimal when compared to other local authorities nationally. For the most part, no new provision is required; although it is considered that shortfalls can be met through the better utilisation of existing provision, such as via pitch re-configuration and encouraging or enabling access to unused/unavailable provision”.²¹

The Playing Pitch Strategy assessed all playing pitches and not just sites in Tandridge District Council ownership.

¹⁸ Ethos (2017) Tandridge Open Space, Sport and Recreation Facilities Assessment: Open Space Study, Ethos Environmental Planning – Tandridge District Council, pp. 69-70. Online available: <https://www.tandridge.gov.uk/Planning-and-building/Planning-strategies-and-policies/Local-Plan-2033-emerging-planning-policies/Local-Plan-2033/Examination-library> [Accessed 08/08/19]

¹⁹ These were conducted with Parishes that responded to the invitation.

²⁰ Ibid, fn. 13, pp. 33-34.

²¹ Knight, Kavanagh & Page Ltd (2018) Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy & Action Plan. Bury: Knight, Kavanagh & Page Ltd, pp.: 7-8.



Wellbeing Space Strategy (2015)²²

This strategy emphasises the key role all kinds of open spaces can have in relation to improving health and wellbeing and it sets out how the Council and its partners can maximise that benefit for local people. It notes by better understanding the district's wellbeing issues, existing provision and what local communities want, the Council and its partners can target resource more effectively and where it will have the greatest impact.

The first part of the Wellbeing Space Strategy outlines national guidance and examples of best practice. The second part of the Wellbeing Space Strategy looks at identifying the district's wellbeing needs. The third section covers the open space currently available. It then identifies opportunities to do things differently, so the Council and its partners can better provide open space to help local residents and visitors lead healthier lives.

Surrey's Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (2018)²³

This strategy sets out a commitment to improve health and the provision of residents across Surrey. The strategy commits the NHS to working in partnership with a range of organisations to improve health and wellbeing for Surrey residents. This includes plans to tackle unhealthy weight, increase physical activity in children and adults, and promote healthy behaviours. Good quality open space is vital in achieving these objectives; with well-designed open spaces linked to an increase in physical activity and exercise, improvement in people's mental wellbeing and longer life expectancy.²⁴

Surrey's Physical Activity Strategy 2015-2020 (2015)²⁵

This strategy sets out a commitment to increase Surrey residents' activity levels. It recommends physical activity implications are considered with planning projects and housing developments.

Consultations with organisations such as Active Surrey will help ensure the district's open spaces, and the Surrey Physical Activity Strategy, deliver the aim of promoting healthy living by providing places for physical activity, such as walking and cycling.

The Surrey Children and Young People's Strategy (2012-17)²⁶

This strategy uses a 'Life course outcomes' approach, aiming to ensure Surrey's children and young people will:

- Be happy, healthy, safe and well educated.
- Have access to high quality leisure, cultural and economic opportunities.
- Be able to make a positive contribution to society.

The main focus areas are family and parenting, pregnancy, early years' support, education and material wellbeing. The aim of the Children and Young People's Strategy is to contribute towards:

- Positive relationships and peers.
- Good physical health.
- Good mental health.
- Leisure activities.
- Safety and reduced exposure to risks.
- Positive cultural experiences.

Every child or young person should enjoy the best possible standard of physical health and mental wellbeing and have access to good quality open space.

²² Tandridge District Council (2015) Wellbeing Space Strategy, Tandridge District Council. Online available: <https://www.tandridge.gov.uk/Portals/0/Documents/Planning%20and%20building/Planning%20strategies%20and%20policies/Local%20plan/Evidence%20base%20and%20technical%20studies/Wellbeing-Space-Strategy-2015.pdf> [Accessed 10/07/19]

²³ <https://mycouncil.surreycc.gov.uk/documents/s44716/Surrey%20Joint%20Health%20and%20Wellbeing%20Strategy%20-%202018%20update.pdf>

²⁴ Public Health England & UCL Institute of Health Equity (2014) Local action on health inequalities: Improving access to green spaces, Public Health England. Online available: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/355792/Briefing8_Green_spaces_health_inequalities.pdf [Accessed 10/07/19]

²⁵ Active Surrey (2015) Surrey's Physical Activity Strategy 2015 – 2020, Active Surrey. Online available: http://www.activesurrey.com/activesurrey/uploads/documents/Strategy_2015_to_2020/Surreys_Physical_Activity_Strategy_A4_Leaflet_NEW.pdf [Accessed 10/07/19]

²⁶ Surrey County Council (2012) One children and young people's strategy 2012-2017, Surrey County Council. Online available: https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/_data/assets/pdf_file/0020/15365/The-children-and-young-peoples-strategy-2012-2017-web.pdf [Accessed 10/07/19]



Equality Act 2010

This Open Space Strategy sets out some of the issues regarding making parks accessible to disabled residents and the ways in which we can achieve a reasonable standard, while enhancing the enjoyment of the parks for all users. The Disability Discrimination Act 1995 (DDA) was amended significantly in 2005 for local authorities, namely by placing a duty on them to promote equality for disabled people. The DDA 2005 covered all functions of public bodies, not just services, and therefore encompassed the provision of public footpaths and other rights of way. The DDA was repealed and replaced by the Equality Act 2010, which embodies the same principles and presents continued opportunities for informing the development of the district's open spaces.

Woodlands and Trees

The district benefits considerably from our open countryside and woodland, including wooded hillsides and many areas of ancient woodland.²⁷

The provision and maintenance of green infrastructure is essential but trees, hedges and woodlands in particular are vitally important components of the built and natural environment. They provide multiple benefits to residents, businesses and the environment, which extend far beyond their visual beauty.

Urban trees play a pivotal role in creating healthy and economically successful communities and places for people and wildlife to live. Trees bring nature to the heart of our urban communities, help clean and cool the air, reduce flooding, and improve people's physical and mental health.

Biodiversity, environmental sustainability and climate change

The Government's 2014 white paper 'Natural Environment White Paper: Implementation update report' stresses the social, economic and environmental benefits of green spaces.²⁸ The paper highlights the important role open spaces play in providing habitats and forming green links to wider ecological networks. The district has its own unique wildlife system with a diversity of open spaces, species and habitats that need protection.

At the United Nations Environment and Development Conference - Earth Summit – Rio de Janeiro in 1992, 179 world leaders signed up to what became known as "Agenda 21". This recognised the action needed at local levels to halt the loss of species and habitats and encourage sustainability. This has been echoed in the more recent DEFRA 25 Year Environment Plan.²⁹

Natural open spaces not only provide valuable habitat for wildlife but also provide stimulating and unique recreational experiences such as natural play spaces that are significantly different to the experience users find in urban parks. Natural open spaces require appropriate management to ensure the long-term contribution to improving biodiversity.

The benefits of a network of green and blue spaces, and the mechanisms by which they work, are varied. These types of open spaces are often referenced in climate change literature and are claimed to be able to realise "co-benefits", which include wellbeing, increasing physical activity, increasing social cohesion and interaction and reduced levels of stress.³⁰

Yet there also exist more direct connections between green and blue spaces and climate change that relate to aiding the regulation of temperature, water flow, noise, and air pollution. This is partly because trees and shrubs help to capture CO² and other pollutants such as nitrogen dioxide and particulates. Urban green and blue spaces can also reduce the 'Heat Island Effect' in built-up areas. For example, trees and woods can help to reduce midsummer temperatures in urban areas through shading and evaporative cooling from leaf surfaces. Green and blue spaces, including trees, help absorb water and capture run off from heavy storms both through the water absorbent effects of roots and soil and because sustainable urban drainage schemes act as natural retaining ponds.

27 Tandridge District Council (2017) Our Local Plan: Trees and soft landscaping Supplementary Planning Document. Online available: <https://www.tandridge.gov.uk/Portals/0/Documents/Planning%20and%20building/Planning%20strategies%20and%20policies/Local%20plan/Evidence%20base%20and%20technical%20studies/Trees-and-soft-landscaping-SPD.pdf> [Accessed 01/10/19]

28 Defra (2014) Natural Environment White Paper Implementation update report, Department for Environment Food & Rural Affairs. Online available: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/366526/newp-imp-update-oct-2014.pdf [Accessed 10/07/19]

29 Ibid, fn. 3.

30 Jones, E., Jenkinson, C., and Brammer, S. (2019) A toolkit for city regions and local authorities, Ashden. Online available: <https://www.ashden.org/programmes/co-benefits> [Accessed 10/07/19], p. 20



In addition, “the integration of green space into urban areas can play an important role in helping to reduce extremes of temperature and associated admissions to the NHS, while simultaneously reducing carbon emissions”.³¹ While dense urban areas are not characteristic of Tandridge, opportunities exist to incorporate and rejuvenate green spaces in its denser urban centres, this will be advantageous to residents’ wellbeing, but will also contribute to the UK’s drive to become carbon neutral.³²

The Council’s climate change action plan

Both of the topics above feature in the Council’s climate change action plan, which was adopted in November 2020.³³ Included in the plan are actions around: carbon sequestration, which place emphasis on the Council’s forthcoming Tree Strategy; reviewing our planning policies to ensure they dovetail with our climate and environmental ambitions; food growing; and working with partners on key flood alleviation schemes. The plan’s strategic priorities that are most relevant to our use and management of open space are “Housing, Buildings, Planning & Infrastructure”, “Land Use and Food Systems” and “Adaption”, see the action plan report for more details.³⁴ Both this strategy and the climate change action plan will develop in tandem and we will seek to benefit from their shared goals wherever possible.

Heritage

Open space is a highly valued resource for schools and life-long learning. Educational use of open space can be organised on a formal basis, as part of the school curriculum for sports or environmental studies. Alternatively, it can occur on a more informal basis such as through nature walks.

Open spaces can be of historic value and provide opportunities for all people in the district to engage with historic sites. Culturally, sites can be significant in a wider sense, through events that help to create a sense of community.

³¹ Ibid, fn. 26, p 20.

³² UK Government (2019) Climate Change Act 2008, Revised 2019. Online available: <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2008/27/contents> [Accessed 22/08/19] Parliament UK (2020) Environment Bill 2019, Online available: <https://services.parliament.uk/bills/2019-19/environment.html> [Accessed 12/01/20]. HM Government (2019) 25 Year Environment Plan, Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs. Online available: w [Accessed 20/01/20]”

³³ Tandridge District Council (2020) Climate Change Action Plan Report, Strategy & Resources Committee. Online available: <https://tandridge.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=137&MId=906&Ver=4>

³⁴ Tandridge District Council (2020) Climate Change Action Plan Report, Strategy & Resources Committee. Online available: <https://tandridge.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=137&MId=906&Ver=4> pp. 107-109.

Litter bin policy

The Council installs litter and dog bins in town centres, parks and open spaces to reduce litter and problems caused by dog faeces. Historically, the installation of these bins has taken place on an adhoc basis resulting in many different types and sizes of bins being installed in the district. Parish Councils have also funded and installed several bins in their individual parishes with the Council taking responsibility for maintaining and emptying them. There are currently approximately 700 litter and dog bins in the district. During 2018/19 a review was undertaken to establish the exact number of bins, their location and condition. The survey found that 70 bins were beyond economical repair or were excessively corroded. Some bins were overloaded, whilst others were rarely used. Litter and dog bins were also from multiple manufacturers, had different designs, varied capacity and were marked with different logos.

The Community Services Committee are currently considering a litter bin replacement programme.

Playground refurbishment programme

The Council has prepared a schedule for the capital replacement of play equipment. This replacement programme is based on age, annual inspection report and equipment condition.

An independent safety survey has identified that there has been a lack of investment and many playgrounds and other equipment have exceeded their life expectancy.

An extensive review of the playgrounds, multi-use playgrounds, skate board ramps and fitness equipment has been considered into a capital forward plan to 2030. However, there are shortfalls in the Council’s capital programme to meet all of these requirements, and alternative funding sources will have to be sought.



4. Engagement

It is important to consider each space as individual, particularly in the context of the community it is intended for. It is also important to consider the evolving needs of the whole community and how open spaces might contribute towards those needs in the future.

The Council wants to encourage a sense of ownership and pride by promoting the benefits and use of open spaces among local communities and invite meaningful involvement.

There is a need to continue working with local communities in open space management, maintenance and development. The Heritage Lottery fund's 2016 report on the state of UK public parks reports that a number of local authorities had transferred responsibility for the management of parks and other green spaces to other organisations including community groups, trusts and the voluntary sector.³⁵ This highlights the importance of continuing to work with and strengthening the relationship with other partners with an interest in the management of open space, e.g. Surrey Wildlife Trust, Surrey Hills and High Weald AONB, The National Trust and Woodland Trust.

The report also highlights the significant contribution park friends and user groups make to their local parks and green spaces. Where possible, communities should be encouraged and supported to take ownership and management of their open spaces. This is important in developing safer and cleaner open spaces across the district.

To inform the strategy, the Council engaged with key stakeholders, including parish councils, the community, Age UK and disability forums. In addition, several documents set out in Section 3 of the strategy undertook consultation and engagement with groups. The engagement which has taken place since June 2019 to inform the strategy are set out in the following sections.

Parish Council

From June 2019 to September 2019, the Council met with individual parish councils to understand what concerned them in relation to their open spaces, what would they like to see improved, what they owned and what opportunities were available. Appendix 2 sets out what the main points raised were.

Residents' survey

In July 2019, the Council conducted a residents' survey which asked residents to comment on whether they used the parks and open spaces, how often they used them, what they used them for and what additional facilities they would like provided. The survey yielded 1,016 responses with a 41% response rate randomised sample of 2,500 residents.

Walking was the standout activity which respondents currently undertake in the district's open spaces, with using children's playgrounds placed in second. Encouraging wildlife is a significant interest for respondents as an environmental improvement in the district.

Interestingly, the provision of cafes and kiosks was what residents most felt they would like to see provided as well as current amenities. Other facilities, namely picnic areas and outdoor gyms, achieved similar values.

The key findings are presented in Appendix 3.

Age UK

Age UK Surrey, is an independent local charity. They work for people over the age of 50 offering a wide range of services. Officers engaged with Age UK in the summer 2019.

One of the actions they wanted to see reflected in the Open Space Strategy is more pathways around our parks, which are wide enough and smooth enough for older residents to use their mobility scooters or get pushed around the park. Sensory gardens are favoured as is a nice seating area and a place to get a hot drink.

Some of the other activities Age UK promote are: fall prevention classes specially designed for people who are at risk of or worried about falling, and GO50 walking - walks range from two to five miles with some between six to eleven miles for those who enjoy a longer walk.

³⁵ Heritage Lottery Fund (2016) State of UK Public Parks 2016, Heritage Lottery Fund. Online available: https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/sites/default/files/media/attachments/state_of_uk_public_parks_2016_final_for_web%281%29.pdf [Accessed 10/07/19]



Disability Forum (accessibility for all)

In the summer of 2019, officers met with the Disability Forum to understand their thoughts on open spaces in the district.

The key issues raised were, at present the open spaces were not inclusive by having play equipment for a disabled child, sensory spaces, wide enough gates and paths for wheelchairs. Other suggestions are set out in Appendix 4.

Council officers have also fed into this strategy, such as tree officers, open space consultants, grounds maintenance and operational services.

Access to open spaces can be restricted by several factors, the simplest of which is distance and availability of suitable open space within a local area. One of the factors most commonly deemed to be of a high priority about recreational public open spaces is they should be easy to get to for all members of the community.

Physical barriers can prevent access to open spaces. Clear, well-maintained paths and bridleways are important to give people the access to the natural environment so it can be enjoyed by walkers, cyclists and horse riders. The residents' survey reports that 61% of households confirmed they would be prepared to walk/cycle further if the quality of footpaths and cycle access was improved; and 72% also said if the quality of the route was improved they would make the journey more often. Open spaces should also be easily accessible for those with limited mobility.

Several organisations commented on the need for improved access to play space for disabled children and young people in the residents' survey.

A further barrier to accessing parks and open spaces is a fear of safety and this was identified as a priority in the residents' survey. Open spaces need to be safe and secure for those using them including natural surveillance and appropriate activities.



Public Consultation

For six weeks between Monday 28 September 2020 to Monday 9 November 2020, a public consultation was undertaken on the draft Open Space Strategy.

The Open Space Strategy was publicised through several different methods, such as:

- A dedicated page on our website, containing the draft strategy, some outline questions to help respondents shape their response and details of how to submit responses;
- News article on the day the consultation launched, at the midpoint of the consultation (21 October) and one with a week to go. Each time this was shared across our social media groups, with local media contacts and councillors;
- Regular updates and reminders in our resident and business e-newsletters;
- Written copies for parishes to include in their magazines/websites where applicable, as well as posters for parishes to place on their noticeboards;
- A short article in the free CR3/CR6/TN16/RH9 magazines, as well as for Tandridge Lions Talking Newspaper;
- An e-mail footer to all TDC staff e-mails for the whole period of the consultation; and
- An FAQ briefing for councillors and Customer Services, to help with any queries.

85 respondents made comments through the consultation on the draft Open Space Strategy.

The main comments raised were:

- Opportunities for biodiversity enhancements;
- Improvements required to the accessibility of the district's open spaces;
- The anti-social behaviour experienced within some open spaces;
- Consider heritage and archaeology on open spaces to the district wide recommendations;
- Extra opportunities such as multi use games areas (MUGAs) and adult gyms to explore at specific locations;
- The ability for the Council to make improvements on open spaces outside their ownership.
- The emphasis on planning policies in the emerging local plan.

The Open Space Strategy was amended to address the comments received. More information on the consultation is set out in the Open Space Consultation Statement.



5. Budgets and Funding

Funding and investment

The delivery of the strategy will be reliant on the future funding and investment (both internally and externally). This will require a review of our financing to determine how these policies can be delivered and maintained over the life of this strategy and beyond.

The current funding arrangements for open space fall into five main categories, plus the potential use of generated income:

- Revenue expenditure.
- Capital expenditure.
- Planning contributions.
- External grants and funding.
- Income generation and managing costs.

Revenue expenditure

This relates to the day to day running costs of the complete parks and grounds service and includes salaries, vehicles, machinery, purchase of materials, contractors and internal costs.

The overall revenue budget is based on maintaining the integrity of the existing infrastructure, but it is difficult to keep pace with asset depreciation and the aspirations of local communities. Facilities become tired and require replacing and updating. Sites are subject to misuse and damage and this is often beyond the scope of the revenue budget. Material costs have also risen substantially in the last five years, this has been at a time when revenue budgets have been reduced because of the wider economic situation. This can be demonstrated by the inability of the service to continuously maintain parts of the open space network.

Capital expenditure

Capital expenditure can be defined as expenditure where the benefits last more than 12 months. This means expenditure on assets such as buildings or equipment, (for example play equipment) which can be used over a long period. The Council's capital programme is closely related to the priorities within the Strategic Plan and supports areas like the playground refurbishment programme.

Planning obligations and Community Infrastructure Levy

There are a number of ways in which we can ensure that the aims and objectives set out in this strategy are achieved. One way in which this can be done is through planning obligation and applications for Community

Infrastructure Levy, where a case can be made. Whilst this document does not set policy for the direction of CIL funding or commit to how and where planning obligations are secured, it does provide information on possible sources of funding and delivery.

Section 106 (S106) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, allows a Local Planning Authority (LPA) to enter into a legally binding agreement with a landowner/developer in association with the granting of planning permission. The obligation is termed a Section 106 Agreement.

Section 106 agreements are for site specific mitigation and are used as a way of delivering or addressing matters that are necessary to make a specific development acceptable in planning terms. They are used to mitigate the impact on services and infrastructure resulting from a specific development, and can include contributions to highway improvements, recreational facilities, education and health.

Community Infrastructure Levy liable developments are required to provide a tariff known as CIL, which can be used by the Local Authority to enable infrastructure, including open spaces.

Section 59 of the CIL regulations state that CIL must be used to fund infrastructure to support the development of the area. This means that it can be used to increase the capacity of existing infrastructure or to repair failing existing infrastructure, if that is necessary to support development.

More information on planning obligations and Community Infrastructure Levy related to the Open Space Strategy is set out in Appendix 1.

External grants

The importance of external grants cannot be understated in the delivery of projects within the district's open spaces and the Council should explore all opportunities. In many of these cases there is often a requirement for match-funding with at least 20-30%, up to the Council's total budget allocation for the financial year.

There are also significant opportunities for parish councils to work with third parties, such as sports clubs, charities or community groups, and leverage in the potential funding that is geared towards these groups. Working together and thinking differently may unlock a useful source of funding that could add to the funding available to deliver the communities aspirations for open space.

Potential opportunities could include, but not limited to:

- Various lottery grants.
- Local charity funding.³⁶

³⁶ For example, at www.lmct.org.uk or www.connectsport.co.uk/london-marathon-charitable-trust.



- Land Fill Tax.
- Forestry Commission grants.
- Land Stewardship schemes.
- Carbon offsetting schemes.
- Community Land Trusts.

There are revenue implications attached to many of these grants which the Council often finds difficulty in meeting. A methodology for working with groups will need to be further developed so the revenue implications relating to capital enhancements can be reconciled.

We need to explore whether the private sector is willing to fund and support projects, either on a one-off basis or through long-term involvement. Voluntary organisations also have an important role to play. Parish councils, local volunteers or community groups can help deliver projects in the action plan and demonstrate the level of community support and involvement to funding organisations.

Income generation

The Council provide services which keep our parks open and accessible for public enjoyment. These services are provided at a considerable cost, considering the need for regular grass cutting, hedge trimming, ditch clearing, landscaping works, play equipment and building maintenance, tree surgery, footpath and car park maintenance and much more. Our parks and open spaces provide numerous public health, wellbeing and environmental benefits and the Council recognises the great value that our parks service makes to these wider health benefits.

However, given ever tightening local authority budgets, it is important we generate income where appropriate, to assist with the high cost of providing parks services and to help the Council to continue to provide a good quality parks service across the district.

Where parks are used by organised groups, particularly by for-profit groups such as outdoor fitness training, the Council should have the ability to charge these groups an appropriate fee to recoup some of the cost of the provision of parks services. A discretionary fee could be levied to charitable/community groups.

Where buildings/sites are used commercially, the Council should charge a market rate for the use of those buildings/sites. For example, a cafe would be expected to pay a market rent together with the costs of utilities, business rates, insurance and an appropriate proportion of repairs/maintenance depending on the lease length. A seasonal refreshments kiosk would be expected to pay a licence fee and be responsible for litter. A pavilion

hired weekly for private yoga/art classes would be chargeable at a market rate for building hire.

Where sites such as playing fields and pavilions are leased to organisations such as sports associations, those organisations should explore a share in the responsibility for the upkeep of land and buildings, where appropriate. The total costs of providing services (e.g. grounds maintenance, building statutory compliance and maintenance/repair) should be available and transparent so the parties can reach agreement on rights and responsibilities from an informed position.

Sports associations and community groups should be encouraged to take responsibility for the facilities they use and to think about how they can operate in a financially and environmentally sustainable way. For example, by hiring the use of facilities when they are not required for the core purpose. Sports associations and community groups should also be encouraged to explore opportunities to improve facilities via external grant funding such as the National Lottery, London Marathon Charitable Trust and various sporting bodies.

When designing, building, re-building or refurbishing park buildings, multi-functional layouts should be encouraged so premises can serve multiple user groups.

Sponsorship opportunities for our parks should be explored.

Opportunities to reduce our costs should also be explored, for example, by working with cafe operators to provide toilet facilities.

Woodland funding opportunities

The following organisations offer funding for various woodland projects, see links below.

www.gov.uk/guidance/woodland-creation-grant-countryside-stewardship grants for replanting or improving existing woodlands.

www.heritagefund.org.uk/funding landscaping improvement funding available.

www.gov.uk/guidance/woodland-management-plan-grant-countryside-stewardship provides a grant for the provision of writing a management plan for woodlands.

www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/support-us/act/your-school/plant-trees-with-your-school/ tree planting for schools grants available.



6. Strategic objectives and opportunities

The Council's corporate objectives centre on creating opportunities and supportive communities for residents which not only improves the quality of their lives but also protects the local environment.

The Open Space Strategy is a key part of this priority, as it will act as a framework to help our residents live healthier lives, protect biodiversity, increase environmental sustainability, encourage community involvement, improve accessibility for all, support education, and ensure management and maintenance of open spaces remains deliverable.

The contributions made by open spaces, and the opportunities for increasing the quality of people's lives are embodied in the following key areas. These are key to delivering the Council's corporate objectives and informing this strategy.

Objective 1: To encourage a diverse network of sustainable open space of high quality which helps fulfil the health and wellbeing needs of those living and working within the district.

Objective 2: To protect, manage and enhance our open spaces for the benefit of biodiversity and to mitigate the effects of climate change.

Objective 3: Explore opportunities to make more of our open spaces through commercialisation, educational and cultural events.

Objective 4: Ensure equipment and grounds are of high quality, safe, well maintained and suitable for its users.

Objective 5: Work with local communities for opportunities to manage, improve and deliver appropriate open spaces.



7. District wide recommendations

The table below sets out the key improvements to consider for our open spaces across the district. These improvements cover a range of actions, including:

- Preparing policy on managing particular types of open spaces.
- Delivering more open spaces.
- Improving our existing open spaces through a range of initiatives.

The recommendations are explained in the first column of the table. The recommendations do not provide full detail at this time, as this will be explored as each recommendation is worked up. For example, preparing policies on open space subsidies will be the subject of a discussion with the Community Services Committee, where we will explain the detail of the policy ahead of asking the committee to consider it. The second column of the table sets out which of the five corporate objectives the recommendation aligns with. The next column sets out who will be responsible for delivering the recommendations, which could often include partnership working with the many listed parties.

The table's fourth column provides options on how the project will be funded. However, at this stage these are only suggestions. Additional funding options may emerge as the project is progressed. The fifth column explains where we have obtained the data to enable us to each recommendation, ranging from evidence-based documents, parish council engagement to safety or revenue agendas.

The next column sets out which year of the five year strategy the project would be undertaken. This has been balanced against resources and funding available. However, where the open space is leased by a third party, they may bring the project forward earlier or it may be delayed. This will only be known by communication with the third party, which is reflected in the final column.

The final column identifies the lead council officer responsible for each project and is often the officer who is responsible for the team who will be preparing a policy or committee paper on a certain open space recommendation.

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is listed as a potential funding source within the table for the improvements to, and provision of new, open spaces across the District. However, it should be noted that District CIL funds are limited and as such these projects would need to be assessed against other infrastructure projects to determine the best use of the available CIL funding in supporting development across the District. Further, this information is provided to demonstrate opportunity but does not set policy or commit the Council to agreeing any bids for CIL against these projects. It does however, provide support to parishes and other stakeholder who may wish to bid for improvements in their area.



District-Wide Open Space Priority Actions

Action (Open Space Strategy reference number in brackets)	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
(1) Utilise the Development Plan and planning obligations and Community Infrastructure Levy to deliver improvements to the open spaces within the district, including the provision of new open spaces (see Appendix 1)	All	Development Plan	Planning obligations and Community Infrastructure Levy	Open Space Assessment 2017, Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018, Infrastructure Delivery Plan and Infrastructure Funding Statement	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Executive Head of Communities Chief Planning Officer
(2) Explore opportunities to encourage biodiversity within the district's parks and open spaces.	2	Tandridge District Council	Planning obligations, capital	Climate Change Action Plan, Community engagement	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Head of Operational Services Community Surveyor
(3) Explore opportunities to plant more trees. Review management of woodland and trees through a schedule and explore opportunities to work with partners for the benefit of these woodland areas, as well as updating the tree management procedure. Produce a Tree Management Strategy. Have a balance between native and non-native trees to encourage an abundance of wildlife habitat and to allow for pest control and disease wipe-out. Opportunities to replant trees.	1,2,3,5	Tandridge District Council, other local authorities, Woodland Trust, National Trust	Capital, public sector funding	Budget forecasting, national policy	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Chief Planning Officer Community Surveyor



District-Wide Open Space Priority Actions

Action (Open Space Strategy reference number in brackets)	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
<p>(4) Ensure ease of access for everyone to open spaces in Tandridge including people with different challenges to access. Incorporate the following measures where possible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consider an audit of all entrances and pathways to ensure safe access for all users across the district ■ Ensuring entrance gates and pathways are wide enough for wheelchair access ■ Adapting Adult Gyms for inclusivity ■ Adapting play equipment for disabled children ■ Ensure our public toilets are large enough for turning wheelchairs ■ Where possible provide changing places within open spaces (funding is available) ■ Make sure pathways are wide enough and the surface materials are suitable for wheelchairs with less steps and "kissing gates" ■ Provide at least 2 disabled parking spaces near parks. ■ Where possible introduce a sensory garden for sight impaired visitors ■ Ensure Kiosks are equipped with a hearing loop facility and that all staff are trained to use the loop and it is switched on at all times. ■ Provide companions on park runs for the visually impaired ■ Allow cafes to take dogs inside for visitors who rely on dog assistance ■ Consider additional seating in appropriate locations ■ Cover a range of uses such as bridleways. 	All	Tandridge District Council, partners	Capital, planning obligations	Access for All	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Executive Head of Communities Chief Planning Officer Asset Management Specialist
(5) Have an Open Space Officer attend the Tandridge Health and Wellbeing Board to promote / increase coordination on activities.	1	Tandridge District Council	Salaries	Tandridge District Council	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Executive Head of Communities



District-Wide Open Space Priority Actions

Action (Open Space Strategy reference number in brackets)	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
(6) Explore opportunities to minimise the environmental impact of our open spaces and areas that have poor air quality through green initiatives, as well as recruit a Drainage Engineer to investigate flood risk on our open spaces. Explore flooding alleviation with planting meadows, raingardens, hedges, trees and shrubs. Have an experienced Climate Change Officer. Create and improve cycle routes. Explore viability of improvements to drainage on sports pitches.	2	Surrey County Council, Tandridge District Council	Public sector funding and capital	Surrey County Council	Year 1	Chief Planning Officer Executive Head of Communities Community Surveyor
(7) Review and implement consistent dog and litter bins across the district	3,4,5	Tandridge District Council	Capital	Community engagement	Year 1	Head of Operational Services
(8) Prepare, review and update a playground schedule	1,4	Tandridge District Council	Capital	Budget forecasting	Year 1 and updated annually	Head of Operational Services
(9) Prepare a policy on how the Council will respond to damaged play equipment	4	Tandridge District Council	Capital	Tandridge District Council	Year 1-2	Head of Operational Services
(10) Review charging for facilities, e.g. Pavilions and pitches, tennis courts and MUGAs, that are available to hire by the public	3,4,5	Tandridge District Council, Public	Revenue	Benchmarking with other authorities and budget forecasting	Year 1-2	Asset Management Specialist
(11) Review charging and subsidies for sports associations	3,4,5	Tandridge District Council, Sports Associations	Revenue	Budget forecasting	Year 1-2	Asset Management Specialist
(12) Review and consider programme for improving public conveniences on our open space, as well as explore opportunities to co-locate public conveniences with other facilities such as cafes. District Council to scope installation of the following: Cafés, toilets, water features and outdoor gyms.	4	Tandridge District Council	Capital	Community engagement	Year 1-2	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services



District-Wide Open Space Priority Actions

Action (Open Space Strategy reference number in brackets)	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
(13) Consider promoting and publicising the use of our open space more. Consider improving communications on website which could include interactive map.	1,2,4,5	Tandridge District Council, Surrey County Council	Capital	Tandridge District Council	Year 1-2	Customer Services Manager
(14) Encourage sports association to be self-sustaining through assisting them to explore funding opportunities and increased use to improve facilities. Consider sports associations requests for longer leases on a case by case basis and prepare robust criteria for evaluating such requests	3,5	Tandridge District Council, Sports Associations, Sport England, Local Governing Bodies	Public sector funding	Sports Associations, parish consultation	Year 2	Executive Head of Communities Asset Management Specialist
(15) Explore opportunities to utilise open space and facilities more widely for commercial and charitable activities and events. Review and update procedures for such activities in accordance with approved policies.	3,4,5	Tandridge District Council, Organisations, Public	Revenue	Budget forecasting, community engagement	Year 3	Asset Management Specialist
(16) Review contract for grounds maintenance to ensure best value. Review maintenance policies of play areas, MUGAs and skate parks to ensure the quality of the equipment is appropriate to the intended level of performance. Signage to be considered where appropriate.	3, 4	Tandridge District Council, Sports Associations	Capital and revenue	Maintenance contract	Year 3-4	Asset Management Specialist Head of Operational Services
(17) Continue to respond to unauthorised encampments on our open spaces swiftly.	1,4,5	Tandridge District Council	Capital	Tandridge District Council	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
(18) Continue to respond to notifications of stray dogs and taking appropriate and effective action; dealing with noise complaints in regard to dog barking and enforcing legislation in relation to the control and keeping of dogs. Continue to educate the public, particularly dog owners, on all matters regarding responsible dog ownership and control. Future aims of the role include patrolling open spaces within the district that have been notified as being particular hot spots for dog antisocial behaviour issues. Monitoring will take place on a monthly basis or if there is a particular spike in activity. When issues arise during monitoring, education will be given to dog owners on control and dog fouling.	1,4,5	Tandridge District Council, partners	Capital	Parish Consultation	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Executive Head of Communities Environmental Health



District-Wide Open Space Priority Actions

Action (Open Space Strategy reference number in brackets)	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
(19) Continue to address safety concerns such as vandalism and damage to play equipment.	1,4,5	Tandridge District Council, partners, organisations	Capital, revenue	Parish Consultation	Throughout life of the Open Space Strategy	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
(20) Explore opportunities to encourage art projects including tree art, graffiti and statues	1,3	Tandridge District Council, partners, organisations	Capital, revenue	Parish Consultation	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
(21) Consider the historic environment, including heritage sites and archaeological remains on open space sites	5	Tandridge District Council, partners, organisations	Through planning application	Consultation	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Chief Planning Officer
(22) Consider impact on Gatwick Airport safeguarding where relevant	5	Tandridge District Council, partners, organisations	Through planning application	Consultation	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Chief Planning Officer
(23) Review allotment provision to ensure it meets demand	1,4,5	Tandridge District Council	Capital	Consultation	Year 3-4	Executive Head of Communities Asset Management Specialist
(24) Explore partnership working with neighbouring authorities and other statutory bodies. Ensure maintenance of current Rights of Way through partnership working.	All	Tandridge District Council, partners, organisations	Through planning application	Consultation	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Executive Head of Communities Chief Planning Officer
(25) Review verge cutting frequency. Consider wildflower meadows in particular open spaces. Leave parts of open spaces unmanaged so that wildlife can flourish, where applicable	2,4	Tandridge District Council	Planning obligations, capital	Community engagement	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Chief Planning Officer Head of Operational Services Community Surveyor
(26) Review large grass areas on Housing land for suitability of land for inclusion in the strategy	1,4,5	Tandridge District Council	Capital, revenue	Consultation	Year 1-2	Head of Executive Communities Asset Management Specialist Head of Operational Services



8. Action Plan by Parish

The Action Plans for each parish are set out in the same format as the district wide recommendations, with two differences. The first column of these action plans relates to specific actions relevant to that parish only. Although, where open spaces cross parishes, they will be included within both parish action plans. As all sites are within Tandridge District Council (TDC) ownership, there is no ownership column. It is recognised that some of the open spaces whilst owned by TDC are leased and managed by other organisations.

As with the district wide recommendations, while a Council officer might be listed as being responsible for the action, their role could vary from each recommendation, such as liaising with the tenant to considering if the Open Space Strategy needs to reflect improvements they have made or whether any other issues have arisen. The responsible officer could also be required to discuss options for funding or provide advice on trees, for example.

The potential funding sources listed are suggestions that could be explored. The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) would only be available to fund infrastructure which is necessary to support development in the local area. Parish councils can however use their CIL receipts to fund the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure provided it addresses the demands of development in their area. It is recognised that parish councils have discretion over the use of their CIL receipts and funds may not be available for the projects listed. However, CIL funding is recognised as an option to be considered when determining funding sources for the projects outlined below.

Bletchingley Open Space Priority Actions					
Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
Consider opportunities to improve Grange Meadow (Field in Trust) through: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ increasing multi-use / multi-age / user functionality, ■ maximising use of the pavilions, ■ improvements to the skatepark, and ■ increasing demand on the playing fields for football or considering rationalisation of site to ensure there is no net loss of playing pitch provision ■ improvements to deliver permanent access track surface 	All	Capital programme, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Parish Consultation Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Executive Head of Communities
Further improvements for access to St Catherine's Open Space. Consider seating.	4	Capital programme, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Parish Consultation Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 1 for improvements to bins, year 5+ for access.	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
Consider addressing shortfalls within the parish for open space provision. More information is provided in Appendix 1					



Burstow and Smallfield Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
<p>Plough Road Playing Fields</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Develop a Management Plan ■ Upgrade playground area for improvement and additional facilities ■ Improve signage and access ■ Sustain quality of football and cricket pitches through appropriate maintenance, via carrying out required drainage works, and supporting Cricket Clubs 	All	Capital programme, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Parish Consultation Open Space Assessment 2017 Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018	Year 1-2 for maintenance on playing pitches. Year 5+ for others	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
<p>Grange End / Woodside Crescent</p> <p>Maintain and manage. Investigate opportunities to improve biodiversity at Woodside Crescent</p>	1,2	Capital programme, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy, funding	Open Space Assessment 2017 Parish Consultation	Year 2	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
<p>Maintain King Georges Playing Field (Field in Trust) and sustain quality of football pitches through appropriate maintenance.</p> <p>Potential for play space if need identified.</p>	1,3,4	Capital programme, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Parish Consultation, Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018 Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 3	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services Asset Management Specialist
<p>Broadbridge Lane Park and Recreation (Field in Trust)</p> <p>Improve signage and maintain notice board Improve quality</p> <p>Potential to install new or update existing equipment for child play space</p>	1,4,5	Capital programme, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 4-5	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services Asset Management Specialist
Consider addressing shortfalls within the parish for open space provision. More information is provided in Appendix 1.					



Caterham on the Hill Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
<p>Upgrade Queens park (Field in Trust) and investigate improvements including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Car parking linked to access for all ■ Better refreshment and toilet facilities, ideally adjacent to play area ■ Water play activity ■ Seating with shade and rain cover near play area for picnic and comfort ■ Permanent table tennis ■ Cycle network to access park and cycle storage ■ Trim Trail with dual cycle use around park ■ MUGA Court / Paddle Board court ■ Flood alleviation solution – landscaping, rain gardens, water meadow, small pond ■ Sustain quality at Queens Park for football, cricket and rugby through appropriate maintenance and charging. This should include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remarking of pitches to accommodate demand for youth football • Retaining the cricket square accompanied by the non-turf pitch for utilisation from Caterham Cricket Club and consider re-designation of second square for rugby union purposes providing that all cricket demand is met. ■ Improve litter management ■ Potential to renovate basketball court with better quality panels ■ Maintain area for outdoor gym ■ Improve community noticeboard 	All	Planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy, capital, revenue, Surrey County Council, Government funding.	<p>Parish Consultation</p> <p>Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018</p> <p>Open Space Assessment 2017</p>	Year 1-4	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p> <p>Asset Management Specialist</p> <p>Chief Planning Officer</p> <p>Community Surveyor</p>



Caterham on the Hill Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
<p>Westway Common</p> <p>Explore opportunity for flood alleviation</p> <p>Maintain public conveniences</p> <p>Improve signage</p> <p>Implement Downlands Management Plan</p> <p>Consider exploring opportunities to enlarge existing allotments</p> <p>Consider the planting of a 500 tree wood on land at Westway Common through liaising with local groups, the Woodland Trust, Caterham Parish Council and Surrey County Council Flood team</p>	1,2	Planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy, capital, Downlands projects funding, Surrey County Council funding	<p>Parish Consultation</p> <p>Environment Agency</p> <p>Open Space Assessment 2017</p> <p>Downlands Management Plan</p>	Year 2-4	Executive Head of Communities
<p>Heath Road Allotments</p> <p>Remove soil from amenity space</p> <p>Consider the protection and enhancement of the allocations, where possible</p>	4	Capital	Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 4	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p>
<p>Salmons Green</p> <p>Explore opportunities for child and adult facilities</p> <p>Consider including some seating and landscaping, such as possible bunding.</p> <p>Improve litter management.</p>	1,2,4,5	Planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy, capital	<p>Parish Consultation</p> <p>Open Space Assessment 2017</p>	Year 5	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p>
<p>Hawarden Road Green Space</p> <p>Improve signage</p>	4	Capital	Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 5+	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p>
<p>St Lawrence Way</p> <p>Improve signage</p>	4	Capital	Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 5+	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p>



Caterham on the Hill Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
Town End Maintain play equipment Improve footpaths in some areas Improve signage Consider tree planting in the spring	1,4	Capital	Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
Hambledon Park and York Gate Explore wild meadow planting, tree planting and seating Consider the introduction of more biodiversity and wildflower areas	1,2	Capital	Parish Consultation	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities Asset Management Specialist Community Surveyor
The Caterham Barracks Guards Avenue Cricket Club: Improve signage and maintenance of cricket square. Consider land at The Village Association (Caterham Barracks) as it is mainly used for community events but retain as playing field space should demand for cricket exist in the future. Alexander Crescent Green Space: Improve signage and maintenance of cricket square. Weston Drive Play Space: Potential to add flower planting to improve aesthetic appeal. Repair safety surfacing and facilities of play space. Litter management.	All	Fundraising, planning obligations	Open Space Assessment 2017 Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities Asset Management Specialist Head of Operational Services Community Surveyor
The Grove Improve signage. Consider creating a management plan Explore Partnership Plan	4	Capital	Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
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Caterham Valley Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
<p>Tillingdown Recreation ground /Common Wealth common:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Upgrade play equipment and investigate reintroducing allotments ■ Improve quality ■ Management Plan ■ Interpretation boards 	1,2,3,4	Capital, Planning Obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Parish Consultation Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 1 for play equipment Year 4 for allotments Year 5 for remaining actions	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services Asset Management Specialist
<p>Caterham Viewpoint and Fosterdown Wood</p> <p>Needs improved parking, signage, access and consider more bins.</p> <p>Issue with water tap.</p> <p>Needs management</p> <p>Improve quality and litter management Interpretation boards</p> <p>Manage the Japanese knotweed</p> <p>Implement Downlands Management Plan</p>	1,2,3,4	Capital, Planning Obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Open Space Assessment 2017 Parish Consultation Downlands Management Plan	Year 4	Executive Head of Communities Asset Management Specialist Head of Operational Services Community Surveyor
<p>Timber Hill</p> <p>Improvements could include: signage, youth facilities, sport facilities for casual football.</p> <p>In addition, there is potential for future community events.</p> <p>Maintain play equipment</p>	All	Capital, Planning Obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy, Football Foundation/ FA funding from LFFP.	Parish consultation	Year 5	Executive Head of Communities Chief Planning Officer Asset Management Head of Operational Services
<p>Church Hill</p> <p>Improve quality</p> <p>Management Plan</p> <p>Interpretation boards</p>	1,2,3,4	Capital	Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities Asset Management Specialist Head of Operational Services
<p>Stafford Road Recreation Ground (Field in Trust):</p> <p>Potential for improvements to footpaths and signage.</p> <p>Review opportunities for football</p>	1,4	Capital, planning obligations	Parish consultation	Year 5+	Asset Management Specialist Head of Operational Services



Caterham Valley Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
<p>White Knobs / Valley (Village) Sports Ground</p> <p>Recommend maintaining play area, improve facilities and incorporate greater biodiversity (educational for school)</p> <p>Explore potential to introduce a youth facility perhaps a MUGA</p> <p>Football: Sustain quality through appropriate maintenance.</p>	1,2,4	<p>Capital, planning obligations</p> <p>Football Foundation/ FA funding from LFFP.</p>	<p>Parish consultation</p> <p>Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018</p>	Year 5+	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Chief Planning Officer</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p>
<p>Upgrade access to Wapses Lodge (Whyteleafe) to improve its lighting and landscaping.</p> <p>Consideration of wild meadow.</p> <p>Consider improvements to drainage.</p> <p>Potential to plant trees in centre.</p>	1,5	<p>Capital, funding, Community Infrastructure Levy</p>	Parish Consultation	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities
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Chaldon Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
Retain and maintain Church Green	1,2	Capital	Tandridge District Council	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Executive Head of Communities Asset Management Specialist Head of Operational Services
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Chelsham and Farleigh Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
Prepare management plan for Frith and Puplett Wood and explore partnership working opportunities that might bring mutual benefits	1,2	Capital	Tandridge District Council	Year 5	Executive Head of Communities
Great Farleigh Green Retain and maintain Great Farleigh Green as registered common land Improve signage at site entrance and around the site	1,2	Capital	Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities Asset Management Specialist Head of Operational Services
Little Farleigh Green Retain and maintain Little Farleigh Green as registered common land Improve signage Consider more bins and benches Review lease and management agreement	1,2	Capital	Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities Asset Management Specialist Head of Operational Services
Henley Wood Improve signage at site entrance and if possible, add a map	4	Capital	Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
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Crowhurst Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
<p>Crowhurst (Playing Field)</p> <p>Consider opportunities for other open space uses to be accommodated within Crowhurst Playing Field.</p> <p>Improve signage from the road</p> <p>Potential for informal football goals, if need identified</p> <p>Consider installation of trim trail</p> <p>Explore options for adult gym</p>	1,2,4,5	Capital, Planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	<p>Open Space Assessment 2017</p> <p>Candidate Local Green Space for Crowhurst Neighbourhood Plan</p>	Year 5+	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Asset Management Specialist</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p>
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Dormansland Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
Sustain quality at Colin Anderson Playing Field for football through appropriate maintenance.	1,4	Revenue	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018 Dormansland Neighbourhood Plan Candidate Local Green Space	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
New Farthingdale Green Space Investigate opportunities for increase in grass cutting Consider more bins, improve litter management Consider parking improvements Consider overflow parking on grasscrete or similar Consider re-designing central green to address turning circle and provide additional parking space	1,4	Capital, revenue, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Parish consultation Open Space Assessment 2017 Dormansland Neighbourhood Plan Candidate Local Green Space	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy for grass cutting Year 1 for improving litter management Year 5+ for parking improvements and re-design of central green	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
Dormansland Recreation Ground (Field in Trust) Maintain recreation ground and children's play area. Review public convenience, consider youth provision in the locality. Formalise responsibilities for ongoing maintenance of outdoor gym. Tennis Courts	1,4	Capital, revenue, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Parish consultation Dormansland Neighbourhood Plan Candidate Local Green Space	Year 1-5	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
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Felbridge Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
Retain and maintain village hall play area and recreation ground	1,2,4	Capital	Parish Council consultation	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Executive Head of Communities Asset Management Specialist Head of Operational Services
Retain and maintain village green	1,2,4	Capital	Parish Council consultation	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Executive Head of Communities Asset Management Specialist Head of Operational Services
Felbridge Football Club / Felbridge Playing Fields (Field in Trust) Potential to install seating Retain and maintain recreation ground for football and tennis	1,2,4	Capital, revenue	Open Space Assessment 2017	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Executive Head of Communities Asset Management Specialist Head of Operational Services

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Godstone Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
<p>Caterham Viewpoint and Fosterdown Wood (also see Caterham Valley Parish recommendations)</p> <p>Improve quality</p> <p>Consider more bins, litter control</p> <p>Signage at entrances</p> <p>Management Plan</p> <p>Interpretation boards</p>	1,2,3,4	Capital, revenue, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	<p>Open Space Assessment 2017</p> <p>Parish Consultation</p>	Year 3	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p>
<p>Selbourne Square</p> <p>Consider installation of benches and landscaping, with the opportunity to provide child and youth play space as well as an adult gym.</p> <p>Consideration for MUGA</p> <p>Explore options to improve safety.</p> <p>Improve litter management</p> <p>Potential to plant shrubs/trees for better visual amenity and biodiversity</p> <p>Explore potential for community orchard</p>	All	Capital, revenue, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	<p>Open Space Assessment 2017</p> <p>Parish Consultation</p>	Year 1-5	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Asset Management Specialist</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p> <p>Community Surveyor</p>
Upgrade Caitlin Gardens play area	1,2,4	Capital	Parish Consultation	Replaced 2019/2020	Executive Head of Communities
<p>Court Road Woodland</p> <p>Improve signage at entrance</p>	4	Capital	Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 5+	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p>
<p>Hunters Chase Play Area</p> <p>Improve access and maintain facility</p> <p>Consideration to car parking</p>	1,4	Capital, revenue, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Parish Consultation	Year 3-4	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p>
<p>Tylers Close</p> <p>Plant more trees/shrubs to improve biodiversity value and visual amenity</p>	2	Capital, revenue, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 5+	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Community Surveyor</p>



Godstone Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
<p>South Godstone Sports and Community Association (Field in Trust)</p> <p>Improve access to recreation ground and provide safe and adequate child and youth play space.</p> <p>Investigate opportunities for a community garden.</p> <p>Sustain quality for football through appropriate maintenance and improve changing facilities through modernisation.</p> <p>Retain as playing field space should demand for rugby exist in the future.</p> <p>Minimal signage from road or on site</p> <p>Consider re-designation of land for cricket in the long term.</p>	All	Capital, revenue, Community Infrastructure Levy	<p>Open Space Assessment 2017</p> <p>Parish Consultation</p> <p>Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018</p>	Year 5+	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Asset Management Specialist</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p>
<p>Featherstone Open Space</p> <p>Large open space, investigate potential to improve play area and facility for community</p>	1,4,5	Capital, revenue, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Parish Consultation	Year 1-2	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Asset Management Specialist</p>
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Horne Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
<p>Horne Play Space</p> <p>Site was previously a children’s play area but was underutilised and inaccessible. Explore potential alternative uses or transfer of land.</p>	1,4	Capital, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Parish consultation Open Space Assessment 2017	Play equipment has been removed	Executive Head of Communities Asset Management Specialist
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Limpsfield Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
No open spaces in Tandridge District Council ownership listed for Limpsfield parish.					
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Lingfield Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
<p>Talbot Road Recreation Ground (Field in Trust)</p> <p>Play Space: Potential for unused space to contain new or more interesting equipment.</p> <p>Football: Sustain quality through appropriate maintenance. Potential to transfer youth 11v11 demand to a site with youth 11v11 provision with actual spare capacity.</p> <p>Explore wider uses and improvements to under utilised pavilion</p> <p>Consideration of MUGA</p>	1,4,5	Capital, revenue, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	<p>Open Space Assessment 2017</p> <p>Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Area Action Plan 2018</p> <p>Candidate Local Green Space for Lingfield Neighbourhood Plan</p>	<p>Maintenance throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy</p> <p>Year 1-2 for play space</p> <p>Year 5+ for football facilities</p>	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Asset Management Specialist</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p>
<p>Meadowside Amenity Green Space / Play Space Consider more bins.</p> <p>Consider more publicity</p>	4	Capital	<p>Open Space Assessment 2017</p> <p>Candidate Local Green Space for Lingfield Neighbourhood Plan</p>	Year 1	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p>
<p>Ray Close Amenity Green Space / Play Space</p> <p>Repair climbing frame and potentially refit play space.</p>	1,4	Capital, revenue, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	<p>Open Space Assessment 2017</p> <p>Candidate Local Green Space for Lingfield Neighbourhood</p>	Year 1-2	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Asset Management Specialist</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p>
<p>Godstone Road Playing Field Football:</p> <p>Review overmarked pitches.</p> <p>Cricket: Improve maintenance of cricket square. Damage outfield due to overmarked football pitches. Potential to install a non-turf pitch to provide a solution to overplayed cricket square.</p> <p>Council and Sports Association to work together to facilitate improvements and explore opportunities to utilise adjacent land.</p> <p>Consider more bins</p> <p>Drainage improvements</p>	1,3,4	Capital, revenue, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	<p>Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018</p> <p>Candidate Local Green Space for Lingfield Neighbourhood Plan</p>	Year 4	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Asset Management Specialist</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p>



Lingfield Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
Site adjacent to Godstone Road Playing Fields Explore opportunities to use the field for sport as originally intended Drainage improvements Consideration of the pavilion	4,5	Capital, revenue, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Tandridge District Council	Year 2-4	Executive Head of Communities Asset Management Specialist
Drivers Mead Allotments Maintain allotments	4	Capital, revenue	Tandridge District Council Candidate Local Green Space for Lingfield Neighbourhood Plan	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
Jenner's Field Recreation Ground Maintain and explore improvements to recreational facilities. Consider more bins.	1,3,4	Capital, revenue, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Parish Consultation Candidate Local Green Space for Lingfield Neighbourhood Plan	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
Bloomers Field Maintain and preserve for biodiversity and education Consider more bins.	1,2,3	Capital, revenue, Community Infrastructure Levy, DEFRA grant funding	Parish Consultation	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy Year 5+ for bins	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
Beacon Field Maintain and preserve for biodiversity and education Consider more bins	1,2,3	Capital, revenue, Community Infrastructure Levy, DEFRA grant funding	Candidate Local Green Space for Lingfield Neighbourhood Plan	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy Year 5+ for bins	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
Gun Pit Road Sheltered Housing Amenity Space Enhance potential for amenity/social integration through landscaping improvements and seating	1,2,3,4	Capital, revenue, Community Infrastructure Levy	Candidate Local Green Space for Lingfield Neighbourhood Plan	Year 2	Executive Head of Communities Chief Planning Officer
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Nutfield Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
Maintain the Village Green as an important visual amenity.	1	Capital	Parish Consultation	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
Mid Street Recreation Ground (Field in Trust) Investigate opportunities for improving parking and maintaining and improving recreational facilities, including the changing facilities at Mid Street Recreation Ground Football: Sustain quality through appropriate maintenance; reconfigure adult pitch to better accommodate youth 11v11 demand	1,3,4,5	Capital, revenue, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Parish Consultation Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018 Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 2-3	Executive Head of Communities Asset Management Specialist Head of Operational Services
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Outwood Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
No open spaces in Tandridge District Council ownership listed for Outwood parish.					
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Oxted Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
<p>Bushey Croft Playing Field (Field in Trust)</p> <p>Explore improvements to signage</p> <p>Explore potential for additional parking at Bushey Croft Playing Field: Football</p> <p>Sustain quality through appropriate maintenance; reconfigure adult pitch to better accommodate youth 11v11 demand. Review overmarked pitches.</p> <p>Consider improving pavilion and partnership working with sports association</p>	1,4	Capital, revenue, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	<p>Open Space Assessment 2017</p> <p>Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018</p>	<p>Maintenance throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy</p> <p>Parking Year 2-3</p> <p>Signage Year 5+</p>	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Asset Management Specialist</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p>
<p>Chestnut Copse</p> <p>Improve signage</p> <p>Consider updating equipment</p>	1,4	Capital, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 1-2	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Asset Management Specialist</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p>
<p>Station Road West</p> <p>Consider the future of public convenience site</p>	4	Capital	Council programme	Year 1-2	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p>
<p>Mill Lane Playing Field / Holland Sports</p> <p>Explore improvements to club house, athletics track and other facilities</p> <p>Consider adding lighting around the trim trail</p>	1,3,4	Capital, revenue, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018	Year 3-5	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Asset Management Specialist</p>
<p>Barnett's Shaw</p> <p>Maintain grass</p> <p>Investigate blind spots for traffic and children playing.</p> <p>Play equipment to be updated and some consideration for youth facilities.</p> <p>Consider refurbishment</p> <p>Improve signage</p>	1,4	Capital, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	<p>Parish Consultation</p> <p>Open Space Assessment 2017</p>	Year 4-5	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Asset Management Specialist</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p>



Oxsted Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
Upgrades to Barnfield Way Provision of football facility, MUGA, seating, landscaping and signage	1,3,4	Capital, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Parish Consultation Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities Asset Management Specialist Head of Operational Services
Coldshott Playing field (Field in Trust) Improvements to access and surface A MUGA and seating to be installed. Potential for football goals and install new, varied equipment.	1,3,4	Capital, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Parish Consultation	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities Asset Management Specialist Head of Operational Services
Upgrades to Boulthurst Way Installation of seating and consider additional bins. A management plan to be considered.	1,4	Capital, Community Infrastructure Levy	Parish Consultation	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
Hazelwood Heights Play space in need of refurbishment	4	Capital, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
Hurst Green Common Maintenance of landscape Improve bylaw signage	1,2,4	Capital	Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services Community Surveyor
Merle Common Improve parking Maintenance of footpaths	1,4	Capital, Community Infrastructure Levy	Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities Asset Management Specialist Head of Operational Services



Oxted Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
Oakshaw Green Space Potential to install some seating	4	Capital, Community Infrastructure Levy	Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities Asset Management Specialist
Broadham Green Maintain grass cutting	4	Capital	Consultation	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
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Tandridge Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
Millennium Playing Field Investigate potential for Millennium playing field / area behind school to expand children's play facilities by the school	1,4	Capital, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Open Space Assessment 2017, Parish Consultation	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities

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Tatsfield Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
<p>Furze Corner</p> <p>Improvements to facilities and drainage to support a fully operational playing field.</p> <p>Football: Sustain quality through appropriate maintenance.</p> <p>Cricket: Review maintenance regime in an attempt to improve quality to good;</p> <p>Refurbish practice nets. Actual spare capacity for senior and junior cricket to be made available.</p>	1,3,4	Capital, revenue, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	<p>Parish Consultation</p> <p>Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018</p>	Year 1-3	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Asset Management Specialist</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p>
<p>The Square (Paynesfield road)</p> <p>Explore a play area and some landscaping</p>	1,4	Capital, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Parish Consultation	Year 2-5	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Asset Management Specialist</p> <p>Community Surveyor</p>
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Titsey Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
No open spaces in Tandridge District Council ownership listed for Titsey parish.					
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Warlingham Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
Blanchmans Farm LNR Explore improvements to drainage, bridge and walkway Repair and reinstate disable trackway	1,2,4	Capital, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Parish consultation	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities
Hamsey Green Recreation Ground Explore opportunities to improve facilities, including youth play space. Sustain quality for football through appropriate maintenance. Consider re- designation of land for cricket but retain as playing field space should demand for cricket exist in the future. Improve maintenance of cricket square. Consider improvements to path around Hamsey Recreation Ground, which leads to the play equipment	All	Capital, revenue, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Open Space Assessment 2017 Parish consultation Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018	Maintenance ongoing through the life of the Open Space Strategy Year 5+ for youth facilities and improvements to path	Executive Head of Communities Asset Management Specialist Head of Operational Services
Warlingham Green Consider improvements to crossing points, accessibility and seating Public realm improvements	1,2,4,5	Capital, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Parish consultation	Year 5+ Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
Mint Walk Recreation Ground & Allotments Consider improving use of the grass area and maintain the play area at Mint Walk. Fix damaged equipment. Consider opportunities for MUGA	1,2,4,5	Capital, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Parish consultation Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities Asset Management Specialist Head of Operational Services
Land behind Sunnybank Road Improve area of shrubland and potential to add planting to make more aesthetically pleasing. Consideration of play equipment	1,2,4	Capital, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Parish consultation Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities Community Surveyor
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Whyteleafe Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
<p>Whyteleafe Recreation Ground (Field in Trust):</p> <p>Maintain and preserve existing open space.</p> <p>Explore improvements to toilet block or demolition of toilet block and incorporation of public toilets into pavilion.</p> <p>Improve signage at both Hillbury Road and Maple Road entrances and access off Maple Road.</p> <p>Explore improvements to equipment, facilities, seating and cover (wet weather and shade).</p> <p>Consider activities suitable for front field such as a putting green, table tennis and teqball.</p> <p>Consider cycle/scooter path to play area as long walk from carpark</p> <p>Explore potential to improve footpaths and steps in the park</p> <p>Refurbish tennis courts/possibly a MUGA on one of the courts. Consider providing a footpath to the courts.</p> <p>Investigate opportunities for improving community tennis</p> <p>Flood issues need addressing – Explore potential for flood alleviation works e.g. water meadow, wildlife garden, landscaping and planting to address these issues.</p> <p>Explore scope to add additional equipment to adult gym, e.g. a trim trail to complement.</p> <p>Explore scope or a woodland walk for (dog) walkers and natural shade.</p> <p>Explore potential to include provision for allotments or food growing</p> <p>Ensure adequate provision of bins</p> <p>Increase height of fencing near basketball hoops Cricket</p> <p>Consider re-designation of land but retain as playing field space should demand for cricket exist in the future.</p>	All	Capital, revenue, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	<p>Parish consultation,</p> <p>Open Space Assessment 2017</p> <p>Our Local Plan: Infrastructure Delivery Plan 2019</p> <p>Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018</p>	<p>Year 1-2 for improvements to toilet block.</p> <p>Year 3-5+</p>	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Chief Planning Officer</p> <p>Asset Management Specialist</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p>



Whyteleafe Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
<p>Manor Park</p> <p>Explore access improvements and opportunities to expand facilities. Carefully plan for improvements surrounding environment.</p> <p>Wilderness area to be left and not be cut.</p> <p>Improve signage at car park entrance with a possible map included</p> <p>Review sustainability of tennis club in this location</p>	All	Capital, revenue, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Parish consultation Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 3-5	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Asset Management Specialist</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p> <p>Community Surveyor</p>
<p>Upgrade access to Wapses Lodge (Whyteleafe) to improve its lighting and landscaping.</p> <p>Consideration of wild meadow</p> <p>Consider improvements to drainage</p> <p>Potential to plant trees in centre</p>	1,5	Capital, funding, Community Infrastructure Levy	Parish Consultation	Year 5+	Executive Head of Communities
<p>Church Road Allotments</p> <p>Potential space for further plots</p> <p>Improve signage</p>	1,5	Capital, planning obligations, Community Infrastructure Levy	Open Space Assessment 2017	Year 5+	<p>Executive Head of Communities</p> <p>Asset Management Specialist</p> <p>Head of Operational Services</p>
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Woldingham Open Space Priority Actions

Action	Objective	Potential Funding Sources	Data Source	Priority	Responsibility
Woldingham Village Green Acknowledge and maintain Local Green Space	1,2,5	Capital	Woldingham Neighbourhood Plan 2016	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
The Crescent Acknowledge and maintain Local Green Space	1,2,5	Capital	Woldingham Neighbourhood Plan 2016	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
Saxonwold Acknowledge and maintain Local Green Space	1,2,5	Capital	Woldingham Neighbourhood Plan	Throughout the life of the Open Space Strategy	Executive Head of Communities Head of Operational Services
Consider addressing shortfalls within the parish for open space provision. More information is provided in Appendix 1.					



9. Monitoring

This section of the strategy explains how it will be monitored and reviewed. Delivering the strategy will take a combined and committed effort by Tandridge District Council and a number of partners including Surrey County Council, parish councils, sports associations and other open space stakeholders. Partner organisations will be important to the process as they can help to access funding, promote the use of open space, develop and harness the dedication of volunteers and contribute to the management of open spaces within the district. There are many organisations that already contribute greatly to open space development and protection in the Tandridge district. The development and delivery of the Open Space Strategy is therefore an opportunity to encourage and help direct the activities of our partner organisations in a coordinated way.

Sections 7 and 8 of the strategy contain district wide and specific parish action plans that have been prioritised to deliver and meet identified needs of open spaces on a district and local level. The action plans set out what will be delivered, by who, how it could be funded and the timeframe for when this will be achieved.

The Open Space Strategy will be monitored on an annual basis using a RAG (red, amber, green) performance system, setting out progress against each action and whether it is being delivered on schedule. A comments section will also be set out in the monitoring report to explain why the RAG rating has been given and explaining the next steps.

Members of the Community Services Committee will review the progress of the strategy and action plans annually.

A monitoring template is set out below:

District wide recommendation/ parish action	Responsibility	RAG Rating (Green – on track Amber – delayed Red – not started / significantly behind schedule)	Comments



Appendix 1 - Open Space Strategy relationship with the Development Plan, planning obligations and Community Infrastructure Levy

A Development Plan sets out a local authority's policies and proposals for land use in their area. Tandridge District Council currently consists of the Core Strategy, Detailed Policies and made Neighbourhood Plans from Woldingham and Limpsfield. The Caterham, Chaldon and Whyteleafe Neighbourhood Plan is being prepared for referendum in May 2021 before it can be made. The Development Plan guides and shapes decisions as to whether planning permission should be granted and to what planning obligations should be sought. The Neighborhood Plans set out Local Green Spaces that are offered the same planning policy protection as Green Belt policy. The Council are preparing a Local Plan, which will supersede the Core Strategy and some of the Detailed Policies. If adopted the Local Plan will form part of the Development Plan.

Planning obligations are agreements that make a development acceptable and can be a financial contribution towards a type of infrastructure like open spaces or provision of a new infrastructure, such as a new playing field or child's play space. The type of planning obligation is often linked to the size of the development.

Another form of financial contribution towards infrastructure, including open space, is the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). The CIL is collected on CIL liable development as a type of tariff. Tandridge District Council are the collecting authority and decide how to spend CIL. The Council are required to prepare an annual Infrastructure Funding Statement that sets out the projects that CIL should be used to enable infrastructure to come forward on a five-year programme.

Evidence base

Evidence base documents can be 'a material consideration' to a planning application.

Open Space Assessment

The emerging Local Plan is supported by an evidence base. One of the evidence base documents is the Open Space Assessment. The Open Space Assessment considers the different typologies as set out in the table below:

Type	Description
Allotments	<p>Allotments provide areas for people to grow their own produce and plants.</p> <p>The Small Holdings and Allotments Act 1908 obliged local authorities to provide sufficient allotments and to let them to persons living in their areas where they considered there was a demand. The Allotment Act of 1922 defines the term 'allotment garden' as:</p> <p>"an allotment not exceeding 40 poles in extent which is wholly or mainly cultivated by the occupier for the production of vegetable or fruit crops for consumption by himself or his family"</p> <p>(n.b. 40 poles equals 1,210 square yards or 1,012 square metres. A pole can also be known as a rod or perch.)</p> <p>The Allotments Act of 1925 gives protection to land acquired specifically for use as allotments, so called Statutory Allotment Sites, by the requirement for the need for the approval of Secretary of State in event of sale or disposal. Some allotment sites may not specifically have been acquired for this purpose. Such allotment sites are known as "temporary" (even if they have been in use for decades) and are not protected by the 1925 legislation.</p>



Type	Description
Parks and Recreation Grounds	<p>Parks and recreation grounds can be any formalised outdoor space containing grass and trees as a minimum, but may also embrace a wide range of functions including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Play space of many kinds. ■ Provision for a range of formal pitch and fixed sports. ■ Informal recreation and sport. ■ Providing attractive walks and cycle routes to work. ■ Offering landscape and amenity features. ■ Areas of formal planting. ■ Providing areas for events. ■ Providing habitats for wildlife. ■ Dog walking.
Play space (children)	Equipped areas of play which cater for the needs of children up to and around 12 years old.
Play space (youths)	Informal recreation opportunities for, broadly, the 13 to 16/17 age group which might include facilities like skateboard parks, basketball courts and free access multi use games areas (MUGAs).
Accessible natural greenspace	<p>Amenity greenspace includes those spaces open to free and spontaneous use by the public, but neither laid out nor managed for a specific function such as a park, public playing field or recreation ground, or managed as a semi-natural habitat. These areas of open space will be of varied size, but are likely to share the following characteristics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Unlikely to be physically demarcated by walls or fences. ■ Predominantly lain down to (mown) grass. ■ Unlikely to have identifiable entrance points (unlike parks). ■ They may have shrub and tree planting, and occasionally formal planted flower beds. ■ They may occasionally have other recreational facilities and fixtures (such as play equipment or ball courts). <p>Examples might include both small and larger informal grassed areas in housing estates and general recreation spaces. They can serve a variety of functions dependent on their size, shape, location and topography. Some may be used for informal recreation activities, while others by themselves, or else collectively, contribute to the overall visual amenity of an area.</p>
Churchyards and cemeteries	<p>Churchyards relate to the areas of land surrounding a church or religious building where burials take place. Cemeteries are open spaces and areas of land set aside for burials, internment and scattering ashes.</p> <p>Churchyards and cemeteries provide significant aesthetic value and space for informal recreation such as walking and relaxing. Many are also important in terms of biodiversity.</p>

The Open Space Assessment then determines how much open space provision is required across the plan period. The supply is calculated using the population of each parish and the amount of open space, compared to the requirements for open space against the agreed standards.

The Open Space Assessment sets out adequate access, quality and quantity standards. If a major planning application is received, consideration of whether that sites meets the access, quality and quantity should be given. If the standards are not met, then mitigation through planning obligations or the collection of CIL will need to be considered to make the development acceptable. The Open Space Assessment is on the Council's website.¹

In summary, the Open Space Assessment sets out the shortfalls for each parish:

¹ Online available: <https://www.tandridge.gov.uk/Planning-and-building/Planning-strategies-and-policies/Local-Plan-2033-emerging-planning-policies/Local-Plan-2033/Examination-library> [Accessed 14/12/3]



Parish	Access deficits	Quantity shortfalls
Bletchingley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision 	
Burstow and Smallfield	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision
Caterham on the Hill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Youth Provision
Caterham Valley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision
Chaldon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision
Chelsham and Farleigh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision
Crowhurst	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision
Dormansland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Youth Provision
Felbridge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision



Godstone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Youth Provision
Horne	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Youth Provision
Limpsfield	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision
Lingfield	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation
Nutfield	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Parks & Recreation
Outwood	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Parks & Recreation
Oxted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Youth Provision
Tandridge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision
Tatsfield	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space



Titsey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation
Warlingham	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Youth Provision
Whyteleafe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Youth Provision
Woldingham	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Children's Play Space ■ Youth Provision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Allotments ■ Amenity Green Space ■ Parks & Recreation ■ Youth Provision

Playing pitch strategy

The Playing Pitch Strategy is another evidence base document that has been prepared to support the Local Plan. The aim of the Playing Pitch Strategy is through engagement with Sport England and the National Governing Bodies for each sport, the amount of playing pitch provision across the plan period can be identified.

The Playing Pitch Strategy recommends that "For playing pitches, the Council should use Sport England's new Playing Pitch Demand Calculator as a tool to determine developer contributions linking to sites within the locality. This uses team generation rates from the Assessment Report to determine how many new teams will be generated from an increase in population, as per that derived from housing growth. This is then converted into pitch requirements for each sport alongside the associated costs".¹

Other Planning Documents relating to open space provision

Green and Blue Infrastructure Supplementary Planning Document

The Council's Strategic Plan recognises that a Green and Blue Infrastructure Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) should be prepared within the next five years. The Green and Blue Infrastructure SPD will identify the recreation, biodiversity, climate change mitigation/adaptation, drainage, transport, job creation, visual amenity, and food and fuel sources networks and be 'a material consideration' to planning applications.

¹ Ibid, fn 17, pp. 36



Appendix 2 - Parish council engagement

The main points parish councils raised with officers in meetings that took place from June 2019 to September 2019 are summarised below:

Bletchingley

- Stychens play area – equipment and access needs improving.
- Grange Meadows – well used resource although there is capacity to improve access, security and overall provision.
- Both facilities are important to the local community.

Burstow and Smallfield

- Broadbridge Lane facility – well used. Need to maintain equipment.
- Plough Road playing fields and play area - potential for improvement/additional facilities.
- Woodside Crescent – parish are open to suggestions to make this area richer in biodiversity.

Caterham on the Hill

- Queens Park – well used. Review every opportunity to bring this park up to flag ship standards.
- Westway Common – parish open to exploring opportunities for improvements so long as flooding and safety issues are addressed (refer to Common Land Laws).
- Townend – central facility, accessible by a large population. Scope for improvement.
- Hambledon Park open space – provides important amenity space for densely populated area.
- Salmon Green – visually attractive but under used.

Caterham Valley

- Timber Hill – popular, central facility. Need to maintain equipment and consider future improvements to facility.
- White knobs – Well used. Recommend maintaining play area, improve facilities and incorporate greater biodiversity (educational for school).
- Viewpoint – Very popular visitor attraction. Needs improved parking, signage, access and bins. Issue with water tap.
- Stafford Road recreation – Well used by locals. Potential for improvements to footpaths and signage. Review opportunities for football.
- Tillingdown Recreation Ground – Condition poor. Need to review needs and opportunities.

Chaldon

- Church Green – not discussed.
- Six Brothers field – not discussed.

Chelsham and Farleigh

- Great Farleigh Green (registered common land) - not discussed.
- Little Farleigh Green (registered common land) - not discussed.
- Frith and Puplett Wood – not discussed.
- Bull Green – not discussed.
- Chelsham Common – not discussed.
- Holt Wood – not discussed.
- Great Park Wood – not discussed.
- Mill Common – not discussed.



Crowhurst

- Crowhurst playing fields – not discussed.

Dormansland

- Recreation Ground – Outdoor gym planned for 2019. Maintain play area and consider opportunities for youth.
- New Farthingdale green – needs more regular grass cut.
- Colin Anderson Playing Field – not discussed.
- St Clair Cricket Ground Station Road – not discussed.

Felbridge

- Recreation ground/football/tennis – not discussed.
- Village Hall play area and recreation ground – not discussed.
- Village Green – not discussed.

Godstone

- Godstone Green – important local feature for visual and recreational amenity.
- Selbourne Square – Potential for additional facilities particularly for youth.
- Caitlin Gardens play area - Review issues.
- Scrubland north of Bletchingley Road – investigate opportunities to make this more accessible and beneficial to the community.

South Godstone/Blindley Heath

- Laghman Road playing fields – valuable facility for community, need to maintain.
- Hunters Chase play area– improve access and maintain facility.
- Featherstone open space – large open space investigates potential to improve play area and facility for community.

Horne

- Horne Place play area – not used, very poor access. Suggest alternative use would be better.

Limpsfield

- Trough by A25 – Welcome to Limpsfield sign and Trough need replacing following accident.
- Glebe Meadow – would like to see a play area near Pandas nursery and improved football facilities.

Lingfield

- Talbot Road recreation ground – Pavilion very tired, poor access, tennis floodlight issues. Potential for improvements.
- Jenner's Field – popular local facility. Investigate opportunities to improve facilities and potential opportunity for seasonal kiosk.
- Investigate opportunities to improve public access through Lingfield Park Resort with cycle paths and footpaths.



Nutfield

- Mid Street recreation ground – investigate opportunities for improving parking facilities and recreational facilities.
- Memorial Hall – recognised as an important venue for parish. Keen to preserve and improve facility including play area.
- Village Green – Important visual amenity.

Outwood

- Lloyd Hall play area – Popular site for parish, clarify ongoing maintenance.
- Cycle and footpaths – there is scope to enhance footpaths and cycle routes (National Trust owned land throughout parish).
- Verge by Daisy Hill – potential to introduce benches.
- The parish is keen to introduce a trim trail at one of their sites.
- Long term maintenance of MUGA facilities a concern.

Oxted

- Bushey croft – potential for improved parking, signage and other facilities to attract visitors.
- Master Park – parish support plans for pavilion improvement, however lighting a concern especially on pathway to church yard.
- Holland Sports/Mill Lane – would like to improve parking, more seating, refresh play area and more bins. Consider improvements to the scout hut.
- Coldshott open space – review needs and opportunities.
- Boulthurst Way and Barnfield – would like to see improvements to play areas and new benches.
- Barnett's Shaw – basic facility with safety issues. Potential for improvements in many areas.



Tatsfield

- Furze Corner – parish would like to see improvements to facilities and drainage.
- The Square (Paynesfield road) – would like to see a play area and some landscaping (Tatsfield in Bloom).
- Millennium Wood – parish would like to see some coppicing.
- Westmore Green – investigate opportunities to expand and improve facilities.

Tandridge

- Millenium playing field - Investigate potential for area behind school to accommodate food growing and expansion of children's play area.

Titsey

- Need to explore opportunities and benefits for community

Warlingham

- Hamsey Green – explore opportunities to improve facilities e.g. cafe, youth.
- Warlingham Green – keen to improve crossing points and accessibility.
- Blanchmans farm – improvements to drainage, bridge and walkway required.
- School Common Recreation Ground.
- Mint Walk recreation ground – comprises play area and grass area. Grass area not well used, could possibly host a MUGA for dual use with school. Security issues.
- Shelton Sports Ground – derelict and surplus to requirements.
- Greenacres - underused facility.

Whyteleafe

- Whyteleafe Recreation Ground – demolish or upgrade toilet block, improve access off Maple Road, improve equipment and facilities and explore potential flood mitigation through planting.
- Manor Park – improve access and explore opportunities to expand facilities.
- Well Farm Heights – residents have very limited access to open space – really need some open space this side of dual carriageway and railway.
- Wapses Lodge Roundabout – security issues, scope to utilise for events?

Woldingham

- Craigmyle Glebe Sports Ground – explore opportunities to incorporate youth play spaces.
- Church Road Woodland – explore opportunities to better manage this woodland.
- Woldingham Green – visual amenity, parish keen to manage this themselves.
- The Crescent – an important local amenity.
- Long Hill open space – owned by Warlingham residents CIC for public use.



Appendix 3 - Findings from Residents Survey

Key Findings from the Residents Survey (2019)

Usage, activities and access

The results from the resident survey suggests that just over two-thirds of respondents use the parks and open spaces in the district, and the majority of respondents feel they are easy to access.

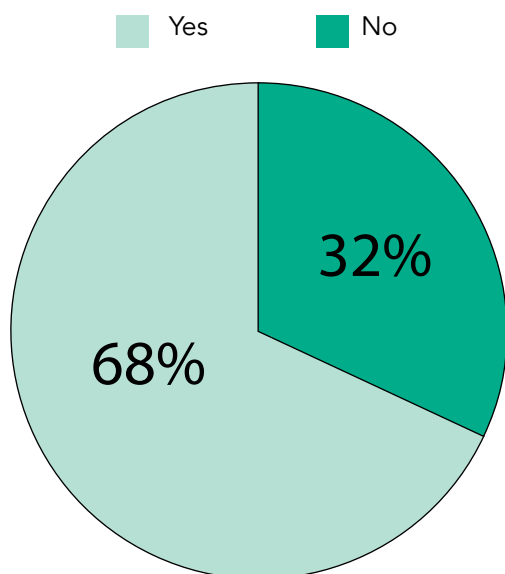
Regarding the frequency of peoples' visits, the results were fairly evenly spread between never and daily, the highest proportion stating that they visit open spaces on a weekly basis.

Walking was the standout activity that respondents currently undertake in the district's open spaces, with using children's playgrounds placed in second.

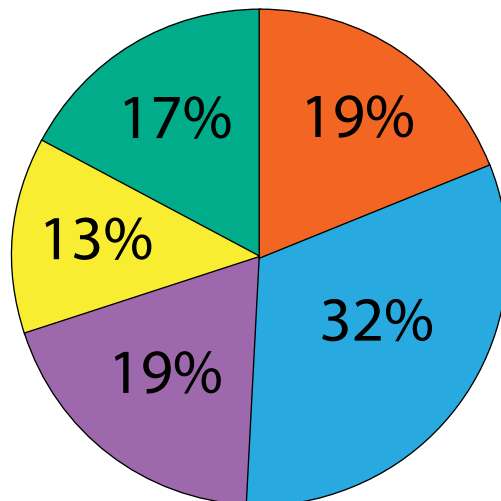
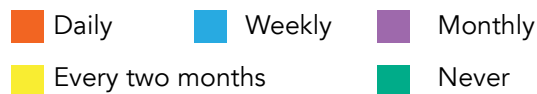
Interestingly, the provision of cafés and kiosks was a facility that most felt they would like to see provided in addition to current amenities. Other facilities, namely picnic areas and outdoor gyms, achieved similar values.

The Other category contained a diverse range of answers, from toilets, water fountains, and swimming pools; to facilities for disabled visitors, cycle paths, BBQ areas, more flower planting, and areas for dogs.

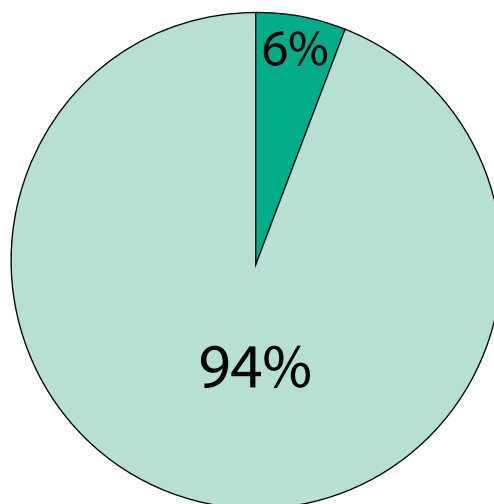
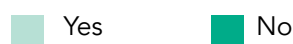
Do you use any of the parks and open spaces in the district?



How often have you visited a park or open space in the last six months?

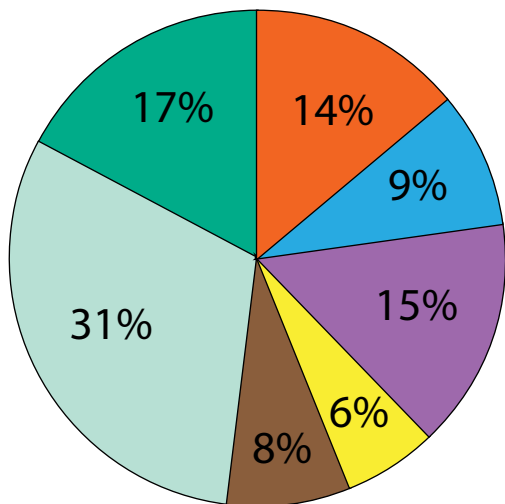


Are our parks and open spaces easy to access?



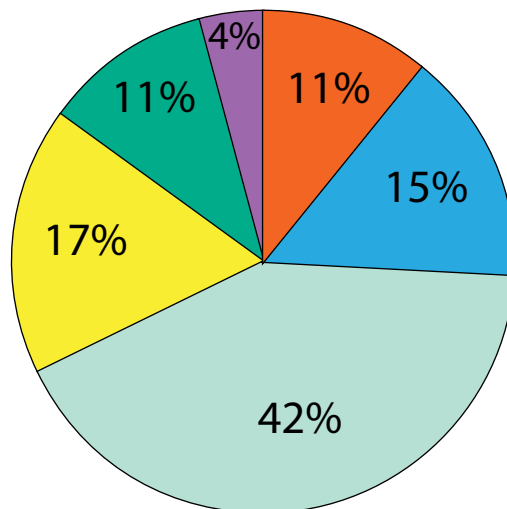
What other facilities would you like provided in the open spaces?

- Outdoor gym
- Playground
- Picnic area
- Marked pitches
- Multi-use games area
- Cafe/kiosk
- Other



Are you interested in any of the following environmental improvements?

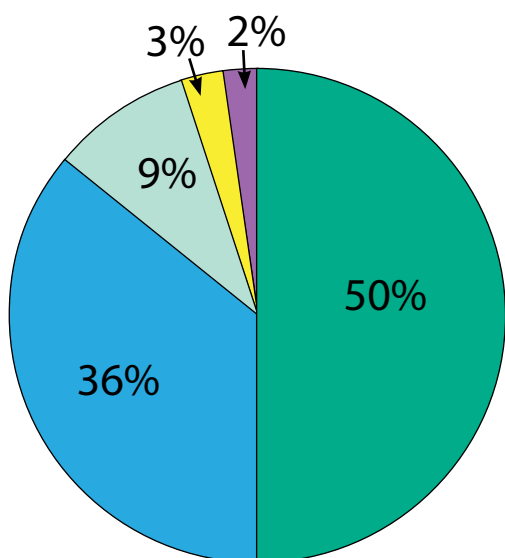
- Rain gardens
- Food growing areas
- Encouraging wildlife
- Electric vehicle charging points
- Not interested
- Other



The environment and sustainability questions also revealed some interesting responses. The key area for environmental improvements was encouraging wildlife and to a lesser extent the installation of electric vehicle charging points and food growing areas. It is also notable a clear majority of respondents felt strongly that the Council should pro-actively engage with climate change and sustainability.

How important is it to you the district council does whatever it can to tackle climate change & sustainability?

- Very important
- Important
- Neither important or unimportant
- Unimportant
- Very unimportant



Appendix 4 - Accessibility for all

- Ensure our entrance gates are wide enough for wheelchair access.
- Adapt adult gyms for inclusivity.
- Adapt our play equipment for disabled children.
- Ensure our public toilets are large enough for turning wheelchairs.
- Where possible, provide changing places at our open spaces (funding is available).
- Make sure our pathways are wide enough and the surface materials are suitable for wheelchairs.
- Provide at least two disabled parking spaces near our parks.
- Where possible, introduce a sensory garden for our sight impaired visitors.
- Ensure our kiosks are equipped with a hearing loop facility, all staff are trained to use the loop and it is switched on at all times.
- Provide companions on scheduled park runs for the visually impaired.
- Allow our cafes to take dogs inside for our visitors who rely on dog assistance.



Appendix 5 - Open Spaces (not owned by Tandridge District Council)

There are many open spaces across the district, which are owned by a range of different owners and managed by different organisations, such as the National Trust, private owners, Trustees, etc. Tandridge District Council can work with these organisations to bring forward improvements to these open spaces where appropriate. However, this strategy focuses on open spaces owned by Tandridge District Council as this is where the most influence can be delivered. Appendix 5 sets out the open spaces outside of the ownership of Tandridge District Council to offer potential improvements that could be delivered. The table below aligns the potential improvements / opportunities to the objectives within the strategy, references the owner or management company and sets out where the suggested improvements has been sourced from.



Bletchingley Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
Update Stychens Play equipment and improve associated access and signage. Consider landscape works to enable ball games to be played	1,4	Bletchingley Parish Council	Parish Consultation Open Space Assessment 2017
Outwood Lane Common Improve signage	4	National Trust	Open Space Assessment 2017
Park Ham and Quarry Hangers Nature Reserve Improve directional signage Improve vegetation maintenance Maintain noticeboard updates	1,2,4,5	The Downlands Trust	Open Space Assessment 2017
East Reservoir (nature reserve) Divers Cove Improve signage – possibly adding a map showing accessible areas	1,4	Divers Cove Ltd	Open Space Assessment 2017
Retain Hawthorns School for curricular and extra- curricular football use and explore community use options to reduce future shortfalls.	1,5	Hawthorns School	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018



Burstow and Smallfield Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
Retain Gatwick Footgolf for football	1	Private ownership	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018
Weatherhill Common Improve signage	1,5	Private ownership, management company	Open Space Assessment 2017
Investigate linking Canadian Estate zones.	1,2	Private ownership	Open Space Assessment 2017
Explore options for community use at Copthorne Preparatory School to reduce football shortfalls.	1,4	Copthorne Preparatory School	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018



Caterham on the Hill Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
<p>Caterham School</p> <p>Sustain quality for cricket and rugby through appropriate maintenance and pursuing security of tenure for Caterham Cricket Club and for Old Caterhamians RFC via a community use agreement.</p> <p>Increase community access to all facilities</p> <p>Transfer training demand to a World Rugby compliant pitch.</p> <p>Increase community availability and to enable hockey access.</p>	1,4	Caterham School	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018
<p>De Stafford School</p> <p>Retain curricular and extra-curricular football use and explore community use options to reduce future shortfalls.</p>	1,2,3	De Stafford School	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018
<p>Kenley Aerodrome</p> <p>Consider joint working with LB Croydon and parish councils on Kenley and Riddlesdown Aerodrome</p>	All	Ministry of Defence, Corporation of London, Private Ownership	Consultation



Caterham Valley Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
Tupwood Lane Improve quality Management Plan Interpretation boards	1,2,3,4	Private Ownership	Open Space Assessment 2017



Chaldon Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
Park Ham and Quarry Hangers Nature Reserve (also see Bletchingley Parish recommendations) Improve directional signage Improve vegetation maintenance Maintain noticeboard updates	1,2,4,5	The Downlands Trust	Open Space Assessment 2017
Retain and maintain Six Brothers Field, and explore opportunities to accommodate a children's play area and/or a food growing area	1,2,4	Private Ownership with Rights of Way transferred to The National Trust	Tandridge District Council



Chelsham and Farleigh Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
Retain and maintain Bull Green and Chelsham Common Improve signage for Chelsham Common	1,2	Parish Council	Tandridge District Council Open Space Assessment 2017
Mill Common Retain and maintain Mill Common Improve signage at site entrance and if possible, add a map	1,2	Parish Council	Open Space Assessment 2017
Prepare management plan for Holt Wood	1,2	Private Ownership	Tandridge District Council
Prepare management plan for Great Park Wood	1,2	Greatpark (Warlingham) Management Company Ltd	Tandridge District Council
Chelsham Road Allotments Improve signage	4	Diocese of Southwark	Open Space Assessment 2017
Worms Heath Improve signage	4	The Worms Heath Gravel Company Ltd	Open Space Assessment 2017
GreatPark Actual spare capacity for senior and junior cricket to be made available.	1,2,5	GreatPark (Warlingham) Management Company Ltd	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018



Crowhurst Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
Crowhurst Lane (adjacent to St George's Churchyard) Investigate meadow adjacent to St George's churchyard for natural play and/or food growing area such as a community orchard	1,2,5	Knightwood Trust Farms Ltd	Open Space Assessment 2017
Bowerland Corner Community focal point, location for community events Maintenance of flag poles, benches, grass cutting	1,3	Surrey Highways Landowner Parish Council	Candidate Local Green Space for Crowhurst Neighbourhood Plan Candidate Asset of Community Value



Dormansland Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
Sustain quality at St Clair Cricket Ground through appropriate maintenance and explore installation of practice nets to service the Club.	All	Sports Club / Association	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018 Dormansland Neighbourhood Plan Candidate Local Green Space
St Piers School (Young Epilepsy) Football: Sustain quality through appropriate maintenance. Pursue security of tenure for club users via a community use agreement. Maintain play areas (various, on-site) suitable to all abilities	1,4	Young Epilepsy	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018
Newhache Amenity Space Corner High Street / Newhache Village focal point Maintain planting / bench	1,2	Diocese of Southwark	Dormansland Neighbourhood Plan Candidate Local Green Space
Verge at crossroads junction of Mutton Hill / High Street / Wilderwick Road and Station Road Introduce management plan	4,5	Parish Council	Parish Consultation



Felbridge Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
<p>Chartham Ground</p> <p>Sustain quality for cricket through appropriate maintenance and ensure no additional usage on the grass wickets to prevent overplay. Potential to refurbish pavilion and changing facilities</p>	1,4,5	Sports Club / Association	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018



Godstone Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
<p>East Reservoir (nature reserve) Divers Cove (also see Bletchingley Parish Recommendations)</p> <p>Improve signage – possibly adding a map showing accessible areas</p> <p>Investigate opportunities to make the scrubland north of Bletchingley Road more accessible and beneficial to the community</p>	1,2,4,5	Divers Cove Ltd / Parish Council (scrubland)	Parish Consultation Open Space Assessment 2017
<p>Salisbury Road Allotments</p> <p>Maintain allotments</p>	1,4,5	Parish Council	Parish Consultation
<p>Godstone Green</p> <p>Improve vegetation maintenance</p> <p>Improve litter management</p> <p>Maintain football, cricket pitches and children’s playground</p> <p>Consider improving access to shops and school.</p> <p>Maintain Godstone Green, surrounding areas of Public Right of Way (PRoW) and amenity space in Godstone Green.</p> <p>Encourage activities by clubs and, in certain circumstances where conditions are met, by commercial enterprises involved in physical activity.</p>	1,4	Godstone Parish Council	Open Space Assessment 2017
<p>Godstone Lawn Tennis Club and Bowls</p> <p>Improve signage</p>	4	Godstone Institute Charitable Trust	Open Space Assessment 2017
<p>Tilburstow Hill and Tilburstow Common</p> <p>Potential to provide map in noticeboard</p> <p>Improve directional/welcome signage</p>	4	Surrey County Council Parish Council	Open Space Assessment 2017
<p>Blindley Heath Cricket Club</p> <p>Sustain quality for cricket through appropriate maintenance</p> <p>Consideration to car parking</p>	1,2,4,5	Sports Club / Association	Open Space Assessment 2017 Parish Consultation



Horne Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
Horne golf club/practice range and South Park Upgrade signage and improve the local Public Rights of Way (PRoW) network, including access	1,2	Surrey County Council, private owners and parish	Open Space Assessment 2017 Parish Consultation
Falcons Cricket Club Investigate potential to upgrade privately- owned cricket ground, e.g. to a park and recreation ground with other facilities.	1,5	Private Ownership	Open Space Assessment 2017
Sustain the Jolly Farmer for cricket through appropriate maintenance. Actual spare capacity for senior and junior cricket to be made available.	1,3,4	School, England and Wales Cricket Board	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018
Frogit Heath Maintain cricket pitch	1,4,5	Horne Parish Council	Parish Consultation
New Chapel Ground Seek to improve quality (located on Horne border) for cricket via carrying out drainage works.	All	Sports Club / Association	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018



Limpsfield Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
Limpsfield Chart Cricket Club: Cricket Sustain quality through appropriate maintenance.	1,4	Sports Club / Association	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018
Limpsfield Common/New Road Improve signage at entrance and possibly add a map Cricket: Sustain quality through appropriate maintenance. Potential to expand capacity. Acknowledge and maintain Local Green Space Improve access (easy access and family orientated), information, way marking, trails Consider information point at every car park Consider litter/ dog litter facilities at every car park Consideration to improve/increase (in an appropriate way) car parking Consider natural play	1,4	The National Trust	Open Space Assessment 2017 Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018 Limpsfield Neighbourhood Plan 2019
Scope locations for installation of trim trails, adult (& youth) gym, and MUGA	1,4,5	Parish Council	Parish consultation
Tidy's Green Plant a wild meadow, possible butterfly meadow Plant trough and replace 'Welcome to Limpsfield' sign Acknowledge and maintain Local Green Space	1,2,4,5	The National Trust	Parish consultation Limpsfield Neighbourhood Plan 2019
Glebe Meadow / High Street Playing Field A small children's play area to be implemented Improve signage Glebe Meadow: Football Further investigate current usage of the site and consider rationalisation in order to create or improve bigger, better quality sites, ensuring that there is no net loss of playing pitch provision. Acknowledge and maintain Local Green Space	All	Diocese of Southwark	Parish consultation Open Space Assessment 2017 Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018 Limpsfield Neighbourhood Plan 2019
River Eden ANGS Improve signage	4	The National Trust	Open Space Assessment 2017



Limpsfield Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
Staffhurst Wood South Make access points clearer	4	The Woodland Trust	Open Space Assessment 2017
Staffhurst Wood North Consider more bins	4	The Woodland Trust	Open Space Assessment 2017
Land in front of Hookwood Bungalows Acknowledge and maintain Local Green Space	1,2,5	Private Ownership	Limpsfield Neighbourhood Plan 2019
Padbrook Pond Area Acknowledge and maintain Local Green Space	1,2,5	Millwall Consultancy (Limpsfield) Ltd	Limpsfield Neighbourhood Plan 2019
Stanhopes / The Village Green Acknowledge and maintain Local Green Space	1,2,5	Parish Council	Limpsfield Neighbourhood Plan 2019
Hazelwood School Opening nature trails to other schools Extension of existing pavilion Construction of new artificial turf sports pitch for hockey and non-turf pitch for cricket. Opportunity to make available for community use through a community use agreement.	1,5	Hazelwood School Ltd	Parish Consultation



Lingfield Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
<p>Lingfield Notre Dame School</p> <p>Football: Retain for curricular and extra-curricular use and explore community use options in order to reduce future shortfalls.</p> <p>Cricket and Rugby: Retain for curricular and extra-curricular use.</p> <p>Hockey: Potential to add floodlights to hockey pitch. Potential to secure community use agreement to secure tenure of hockey pitch. Consider resurfacing in the near future to safeguard usage and ensure a sinking fund is in place for long-term sustainability.</p>	1,3,4,5	Lingfield Notre Dame School	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018
<p>Scandia (Hus Sports Ground)</p> <p>Sustain quality for football and cricket and seek improvements via acting upon Institute of Groundsmanship recommendations. Review overlapping of football pitches and cricket outfield. Actual spare capacity for senior and junior cricket to be made available.</p> <p>Consider more bins.</p>	All	Sports Club / Association Trustees of Sports ground and nursery	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018 Candidate Local Green Space for Lingfield Neighbourhood Plan
<p>Centenary Fields Allotments, off Vicarage Road</p> <p>Maintain allotments</p>	4	Parish Council	Tandridge District Council Candidate Local Green Space for Lingfield Neighbourhood Plan
<p>Newchapel Road Allotments</p> <p>Maintain allotments</p>	4	Lingfield and Dormansland Parish Councils and landowner	Tandridge District Council
<p>Community Orchard and Wildflower Meadow</p> <p>Maintain and preserve for biodiversity and education</p> <p>Provide community food source</p> <p>Consider more bins</p>	1,2,3	Lingfield Parish Council Leased to the Lingfield Nature Reserves	Candidate Local Green Space for Lingfield Neighbourhood Plan



Lingfield Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
<p>Gun Pond</p> <p>Pond requires major refurbishment to repair leak and improve biodiversity of the pond</p> <p>Routine maintenance of planting including replacement where necessary</p> <p>Routine maintenance of TPO Oak tree, war memorial (Listed) and Scheduled Monument</p> <p>Consider more bins</p>	1,2,3	Lingfield Parish Council	Candidate Local Green Space for Lingfield Neighbourhood Plan
<p>Lincolns Mead Amenity Space and Play Area</p> <p>Improve biodiversity</p>	1,2,5	Lincolns Mead Management Company	Candidate Local Green Space for Lingfield Neighbourhood Plan



Nutfield Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
<p>South Nutfield Cricket Club</p> <p>Sustain quality through appropriate maintenance; this could include installing a non-turf pitch to alleviate overplay of the grass wickets.</p>	1,3,4	Sports Club / Association	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018
<p>Nutfield Cricket Club</p> <p>Sustain quality through appropriate maintenance; this could include installing a non-turf pitch to alleviate overplay of the grass wickets and installation of practice nets</p>	1,3,4	Sports Club / Association	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018
<p>Nutfield Playing Field</p> <p>Preserve and improve Memorial Hall including play area.</p> <p>Sustain quality on the Memorial Hall Field through appropriate maintenance and drainage improvement; investigate transferring 11 aside youth football to a site with spare capacity.</p> <p>Improve signage</p> <p>Publicise facilities</p>	All	Parish Council Charles Maw Trust	<p>Parish Consultation</p> <p>Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018</p> <p>Open Space Assessment 2017</p>
<p>Jubilee Fields</p> <p>Improve signage from the road</p> <p>Potential to enhance biodiversity</p>	2,4	Parish Council	Open Space Assessment 2017
<p>Philpotes Wood</p> <p>Improve signage</p>	4	The Woodland Trust	Open Space Assessment 2017



Outwood Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
<p>Outwood Common</p> <p>Sustain quality at Outwood Common for cricket through appropriate maintenance; this could include installing a non-turf pitch to alleviate overplay of the grass wickets and expansion of the ground to improve equipment storage facilities.</p> <p>Improve parking facilities and signage</p> <p>Consider replacing stiles underneath Outwood Common</p>	1,3,4	The National Trust	<p>Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018</p> <p>Open Space Assessment 2017</p>
<p>Lloyd Hall / Lloyd Hall Playground</p> <p>Consider more bins and dog bins</p> <p>Consider a trim trail at Wells Field (beside playground at Lloyd Hall)</p> <p>MUGA cleaning and safety check</p>	1,2,4	<p>The National Trust</p> <p>Parish Council</p>	<p>Open Space Assessment 2017</p> <p>Parish Consultation</p>
<p>Explore upgrade opportunities to Harewoods Estate and Common; this could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ installation of trim trail, ■ installation of additional seating, ■ creation of user-friendly maps of PRoW routes and investigate potential to increase use of cricket ground / building. 	1,2,4	The National Trust	Parish consultation
<p>Improve mapping and signage of on / off road cycle routes that pass through the Parish, and including signage to Hornecourt Wood</p>	1,2,4	Surrey County Council / The National Trust	Parish consultation
<p>Wells Court</p> <p>Consider more bins</p>	4	Parish Council / The National Trust	Open Space Assessment 2017



Oxted Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
<p>Master Park</p> <p>Improve safety on the pathways that lead to St Marys church.</p> <p>Master Park: Football & Cricket</p> <p>Football: Sustain quality through appropriate maintenance and by carrying out remedial work to improve evenness; support Oxted & District FC in its plans to refurbish the clubhouse.</p> <p>Cricket: Sustain quality through appropriate maintenance; Support Oxted & District CC in its plans to refurbish the clubhouse; Explore installation of practice nets to service the Club.</p> <p>Expand and improve the pavilion</p> <p>Encourage Trustees of Master Park in enhancing youth provision</p>	1,3,4,5	The Trustees of Master Park	<p>Parish Consultation</p> <p>Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018</p>
<p>Oxted School: Football & Hockey</p> <p>Football: Retain for curricular and extra-curricular use and explore community use options in order to reduce future shortfalls.</p> <p>Hockey: Protect as a hockey suitable surface, ensure security of tenure for Oxted HC via a community use agreement; ensure a sinking fund is in place for long-term sustainability; support Oxted HC's aspiration to create onsite clubhouse facility.</p>	1,4,5	Oxted School	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018
<p>Spring Lane</p> <p>Improve access</p>	4	Private Ownership	Open Space Assessment 2017
<p>Spring Lane River Eden</p> <p>Improve access and parking</p>	1,4	Private Ownership	Open Space Assessment 2017
<p>Great Earls Wood</p> <p>Improve access with parking</p>	1,4	The Woodlands Trust	Open Space Assessment 2017
<p>South Hawke</p> <p>Improve parking facilities</p>	1,4	The National Trust	Open Space Assessment 2017
<p>The Hollies</p> <p>Replace fencing</p>	4	Private Ownership	Open Space Assessment 2017



Tandridge Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
No open spaces in non-Tandridge District Council ownership listed for Tandridge parish.			



Tatsfield Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
Westmore Green Investigate opportunities to expand and improve facilities	1,4	Parish Council	Parish Consultation
Millennium Wood Provide some coppicing Maintain King Edward VII Memorial Garden Explore opportunities to work with partners to develop a Management Plan	1,4	Parish Council	Parish Consultation
Tatsfield Green Improve access through woodland with better paths and signage Explore wildflower meadow	1,4	Parish Council	Open Space Assessment 2017
Hill Park, Tatsfield Improve signage in car parking area Consider seating	4	Surrey Wildlife Trust	Open Space Assessment 2017



Titsey Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
ColdHarbour Beeches Improve signage Improve litter management.	1,4	The Titsey Foundation	Open Space Assessment 2017



Warlingham Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
<p>Warlingham Sports Club</p> <p>Consider replacing redundant tennis courts with multi-use space.</p> <p>Redevelopment of pavilion</p> <p>Sustain quality at Warlingham Sports Club for football and cricket through appropriate maintenance; Improve changing facilities to enable more appropriate use by female teams.</p>	All	Community Sports Club	<p>Open Space Assessment 2017</p> <p>Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018</p>
<p>Croydon Post Office Social Club</p> <p>Sustain quality for football and cricket through appropriate maintenance and reconfiguring two of the adult pitches to better accommodate youth 11v11 football demand. Goal posts may need reviewing. Review overlapping football pitches and cricket outfield. Potential to increase parking spaces to accommodate amount of traffic received when matches are being played.</p>	1,2,4	Private Ownership	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018
<p>Warlingham Rugby Club</p> <p>Sustain quality through appropriate maintenance; Retain minimal spare capacity to protect quality; Explore opportunities to transfer training demand to a World Rugby compliant 3G pitch.</p>	All	Sports Club / Association	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018
<p>Parsonage Field</p> <p>Sustain quality for football through appropriate maintenance, as well as explore improving the site to meet football pyramid ground grading requirements or explore an alternative site that can be utilised by Farleigh Rovers FC; and support the club in its aspirations to improve the changing facilities.</p>	All	Sports Club / Association	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018
<p>Warlingham School</p> <p>Sustain for football, rugby, cricket and hockey through appropriate maintenance. Retain rugby provision for curricular and extra-curricular use and protect as a hockey suitable surface; pursue security of tenure for club users via a community use agreement.</p> <p>Ensure a sinking fund is in place for long-term sustainability as well as explore usage of an area for post-match refreshments.</p>	All	Surrey County Council	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018



Warlingham Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
<p>Shelton Close and Greenacres</p> <p>Mitigate potential loss arising due to its allocation for mixed use development within the Local Plan in Warlingham</p> <p>Green Acres FC / Selsdon Cricket Club: Maintain vegetation. Improve signage. Improvements to poor quality club house and changing facilities.</p> <p>Green Acres Leisure Centre: Improve signage.</p>	1,2,5	Private Ownership	<p>Parish consultation</p> <p>Open Space Assessment 2017</p>
<p>John Fisher Sports Club</p> <p>Mitigate potential loss arising due to its allocation for mixed use development within the Local Plan in Warlingham.</p>	1,2,5	Sports Club/ Association	<p>Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018</p> <p>Our Local Plan: 2033</p>
<p>South Towton Common (known locally as the Common Land)</p> <p>Maintain vegetation</p> <p>Continue to maintain and consider opportunities to enhance.</p>	1,2,4	Parish Council	Open Space Assessment 2017
<p>Westhall Road Allotments</p> <p>Consideration of improvement to access to allotments.</p>	1,4	The Diocese of Southwark	Parish Consultation
<p>Kennel Farm</p> <p>Potential additional recreation use.</p>	1,5	Private Ownership	Parish Consultation
<p>School Common</p> <p>Formalise management agreement with the landlord, the Diocese of Southwark</p> <p>Consider flower beds where appropriate.</p>	1,2,4	Diocese of Southwark	Consultation



Whyteleafe Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
<p>Whyteleafe Football Club: Football (3G Pitch)</p> <p>Sustain quality through appropriate maintenance and ensure a sinking fund is in place for long-term sustainability; Ensure full size pitch remains suitable for competitive matches within the National League system via re-testing every year and maximise usage for this purpose.</p>	All	Whyteleafe Football Club	<p>Parish Consultation</p> <p>Open Space Assessment 2017</p>
<p>Riddlesdown Aerodrome</p> <p>Consider joint working with LB Croydon and parish councils on Kenley and Riddlesdown Aerodrome</p> <p>Maintain Riddlesdown steps</p>	All	Ministry of Defence, Corporation of London, Private Ownership	Consultation



Woldingham Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
<p>The Glebe Sports Ground</p> <p>Add signage to the entrances</p> <p>Acknowledge and maintain Local Green Space</p> <p>The Playground at The Glebe</p> <p>Possibility for some of equipment to be removed and site to be semi-refurbished.</p> <p>The Glebe: Cricket</p> <p>Sustain quality through appropriate maintenance and improve practice net quality. Actual spare capacity for senior and junior cricket to be made available.</p>	1,2,4,5	<p>Craigmyle Glebe Ltd</p> <p>Sports Club, England and Wales Cricket Board</p>	<p>Woldingham Neighbourhood Plan 2016</p> <p>Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018</p> <p>Open Space Assessment 2017</p>
<p>Great Church Wood</p> <p>Improve access.</p> <p>Investigate all aspects of services in the woods, e.g. whether it is for wood fuel or coppice, including tree planting, felling, brush cutting, coppicing and forest maintenance and cleaning, as well as the creation and managing of tracks, habitat and replacement planting for new woodlands.</p>	1,5	Multiple owners	Parish consultation
<p>Woldingham School: Hockey</p> <p>Protect as a hockey suitable surface; Ensure security of tenure for Oxted HC via a community use agreement; Ensure a sinking fund is in place for long-term sustainability; Explore usage of an area for post-match refreshments.</p>	1,5	School, England Hockey	Tandridge District Council Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2018
<p>Marden Park</p> <p>Improve PRoW signage to show accessibility of the site.</p>	1,4	The Woodland Trust	Open Space Assessment 2017
<p>The Recreation Field / Land at side of Long Hill</p> <p>Acknowledge and maintain Local Green Space</p> <p>Retain area for open access for residents and the public</p>	1,2,5	Woldingham Residents CIC	Woldingham Neighbourhood Plan 2016
<p>Angell's Field</p> <p>Acknowledge and maintain Local Green Space</p>	1,2,5	Private Ownership	Woldingham Neighbourhood Plan 2016



Woldingham Open Space Priority Opportunities

Opportunities	Objective	Delivery / Leadership / Ownership	Data Source
Hedley Field Acknowledge and maintain Local Green Space	1,2,5	Private Ownership	Woldingham Neighbourhood Plan 2016
South Hawke Improve parking facilities	1,4	The National Trust	Open Space Assessment 2017
Madeira Walk Acknowledge Local Green Space	1,2,5	Woldingham Residents CIC	Woldingham Neighbourhood Plan 2016

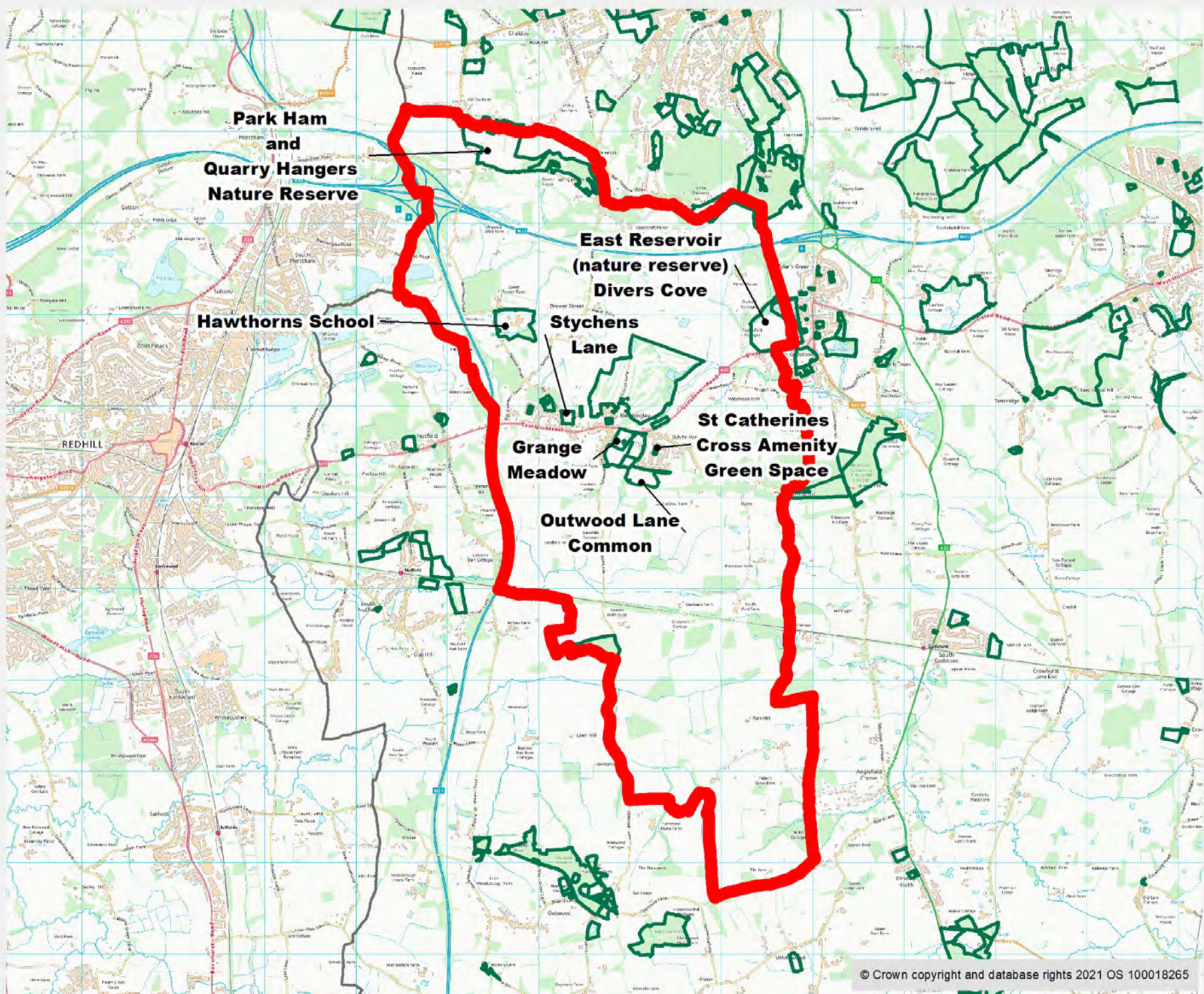


Appendix 6 – Open Space Maps

The parish maps below only identify the open spaces contained in this strategy. Detailed maps are available online: <http://maps.tandridge.gov.uk/ishare5.2.web/MyTandridge.aspx>. The online version will allow you to view the boundaries of the open spaces more clearly through the zoom in/out function.




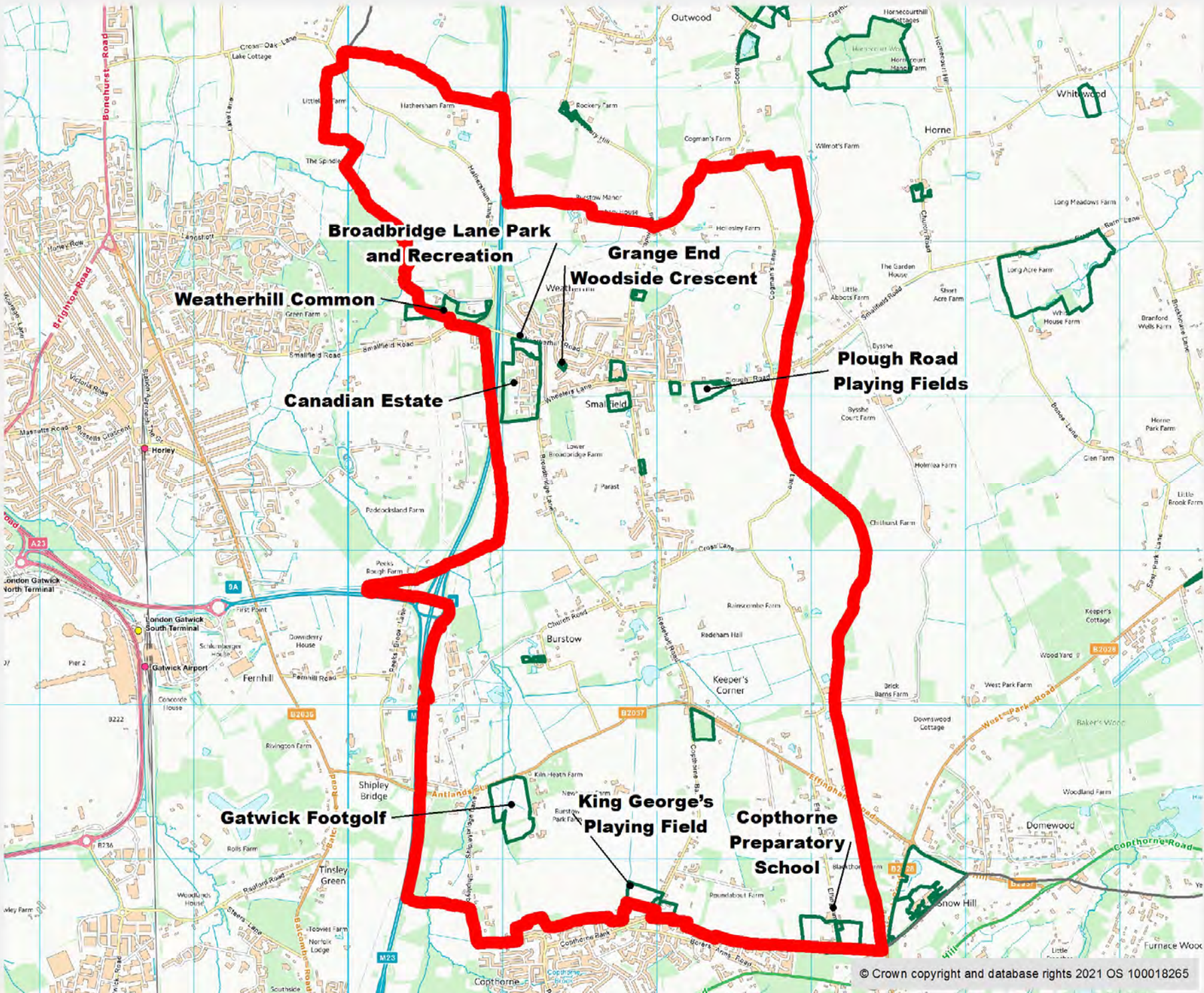
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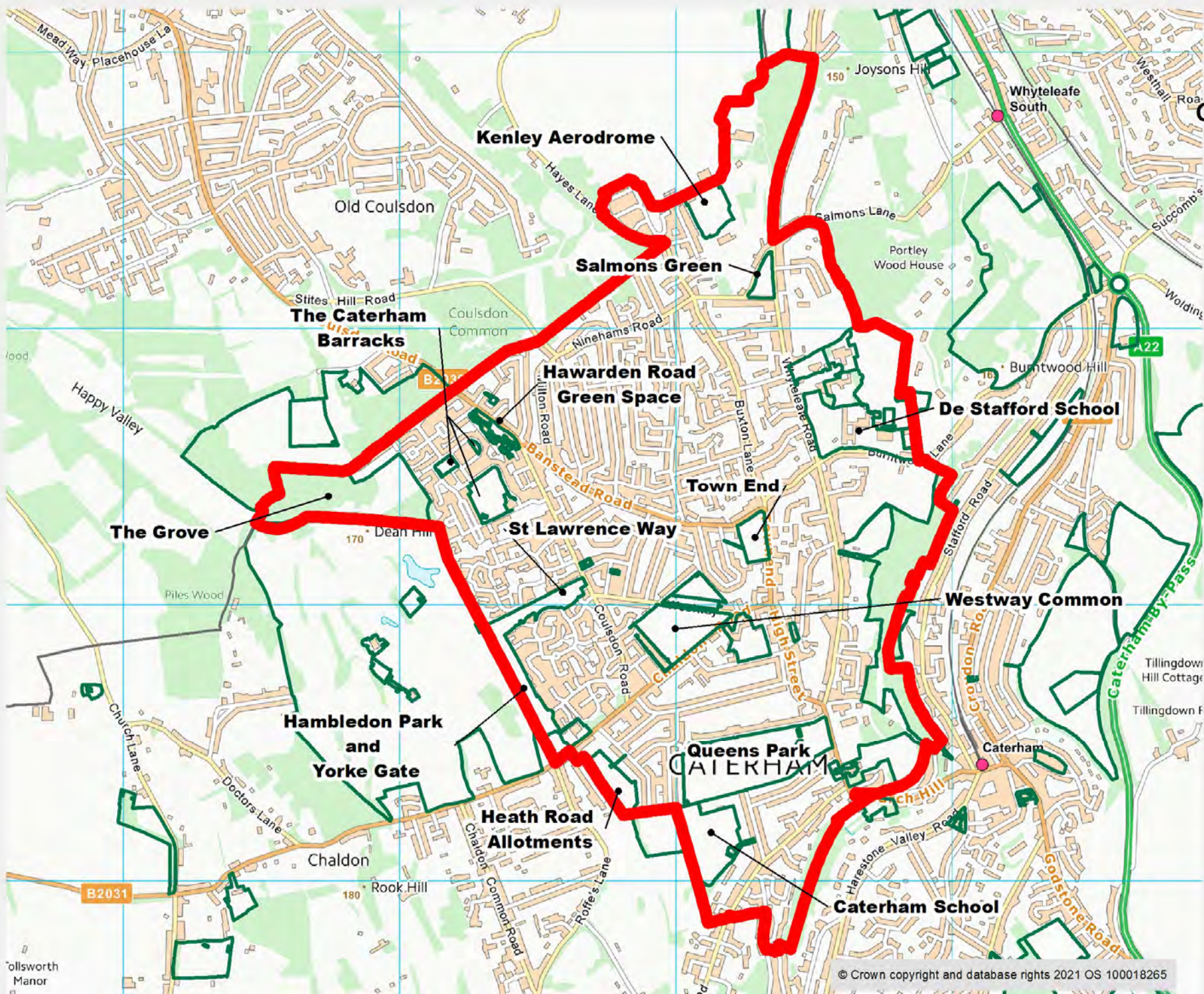
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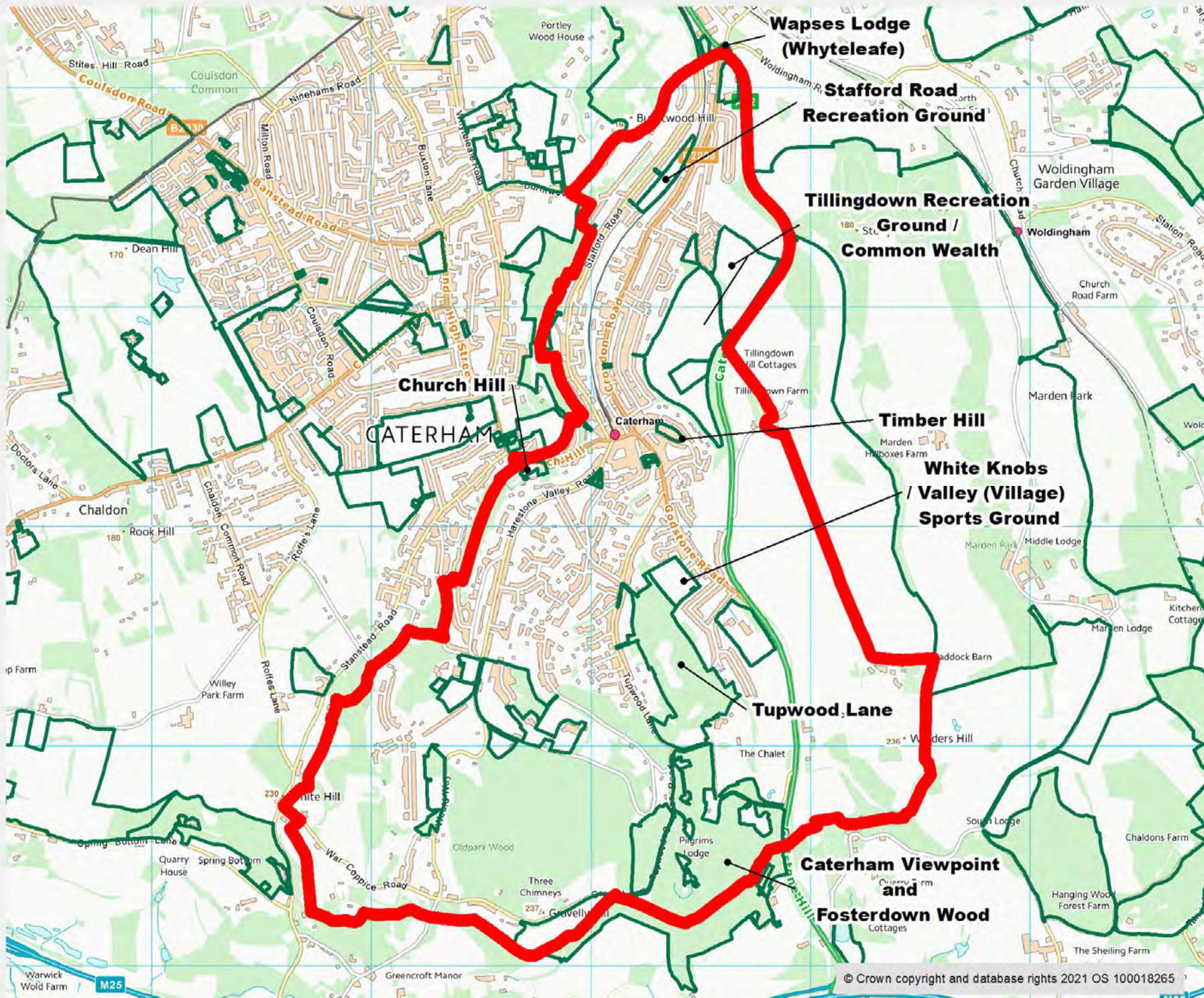
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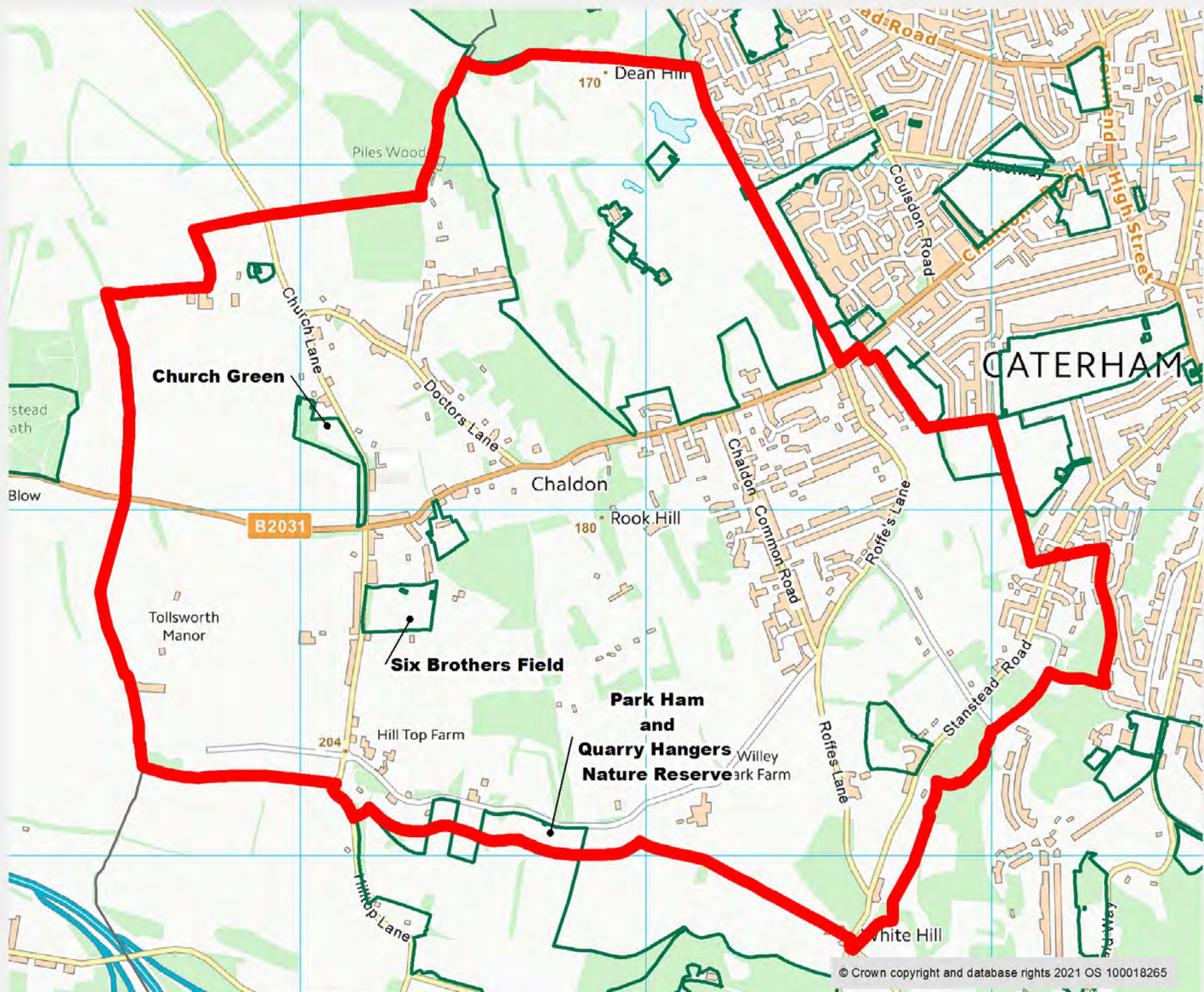
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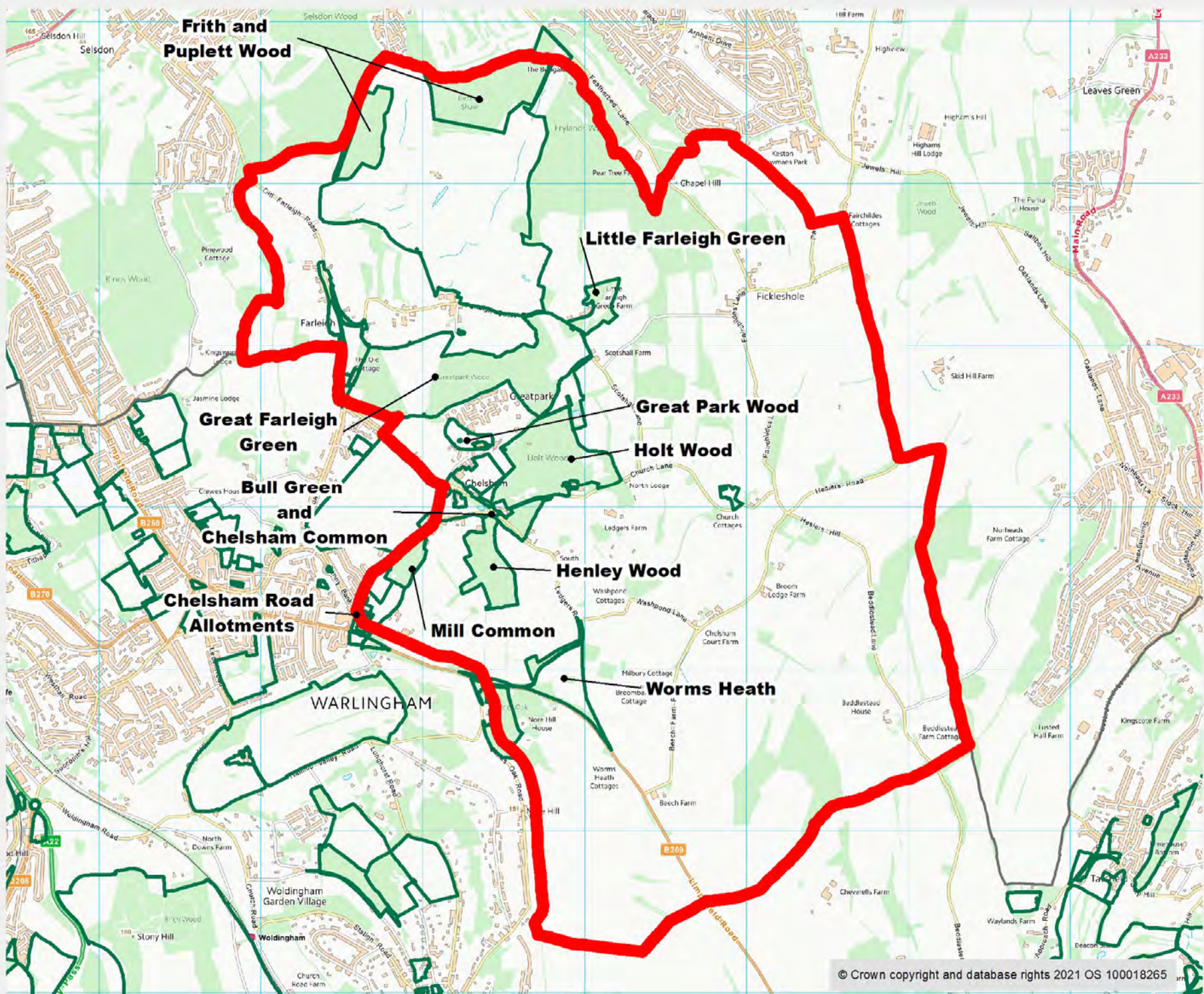
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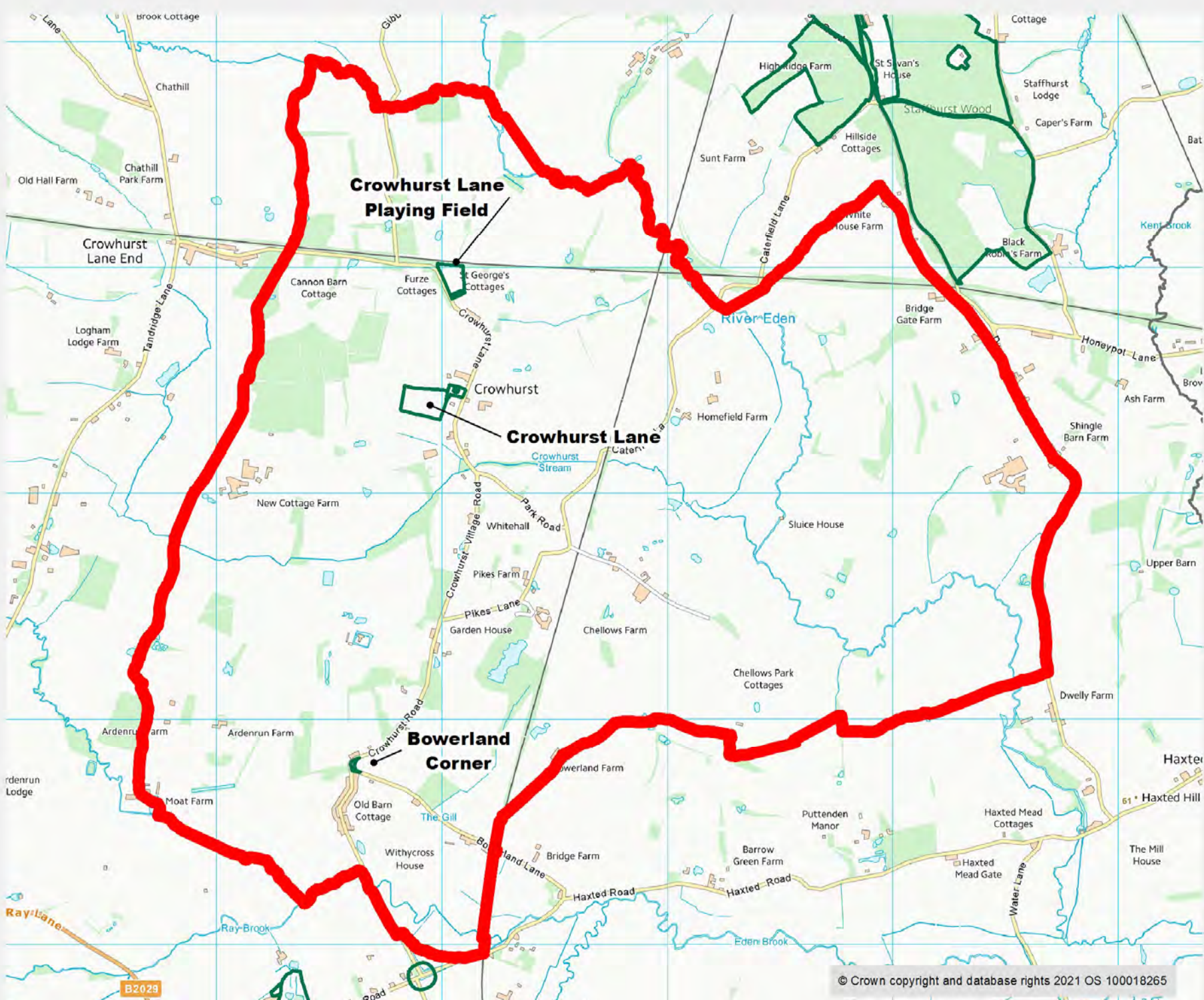
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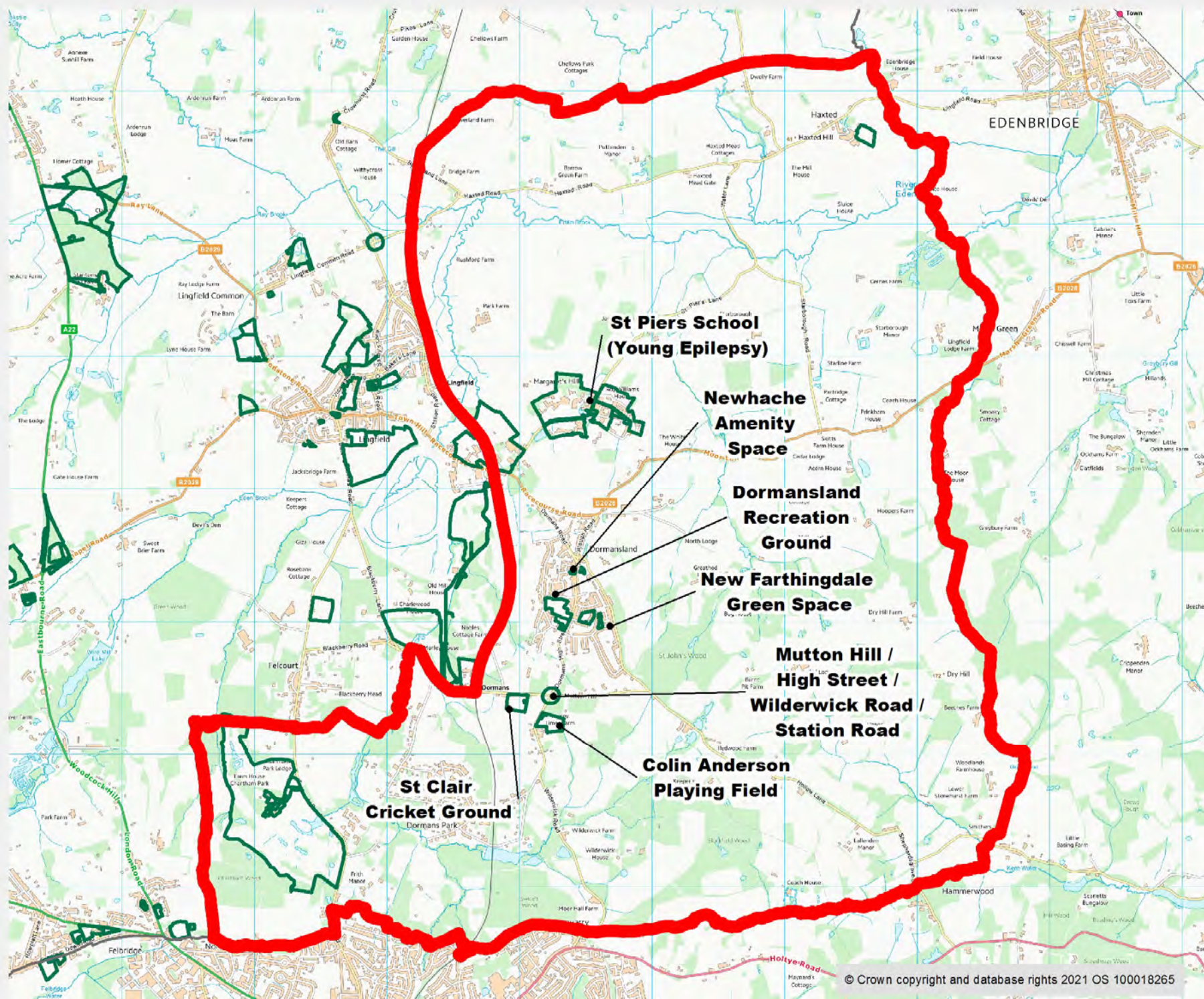
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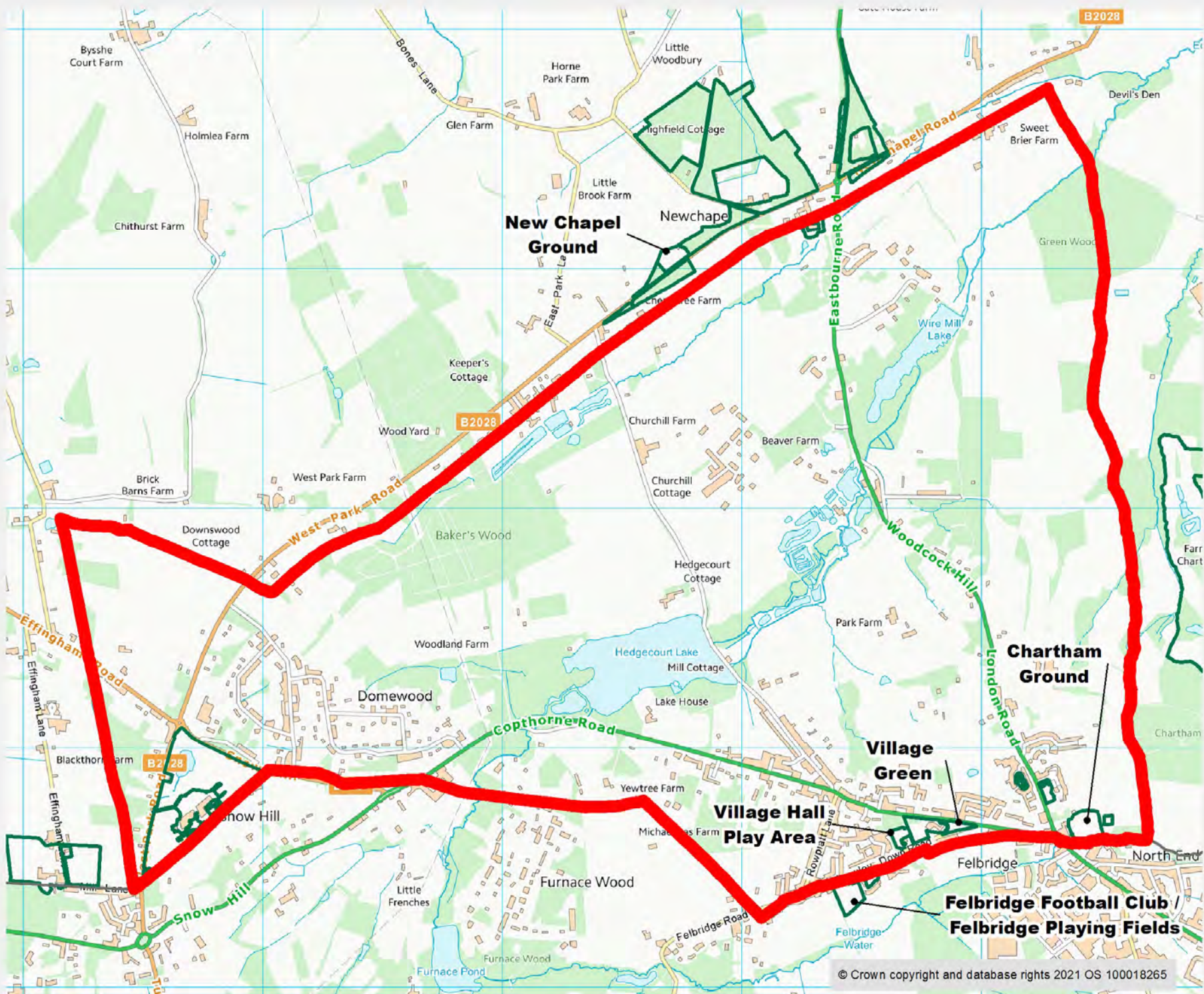
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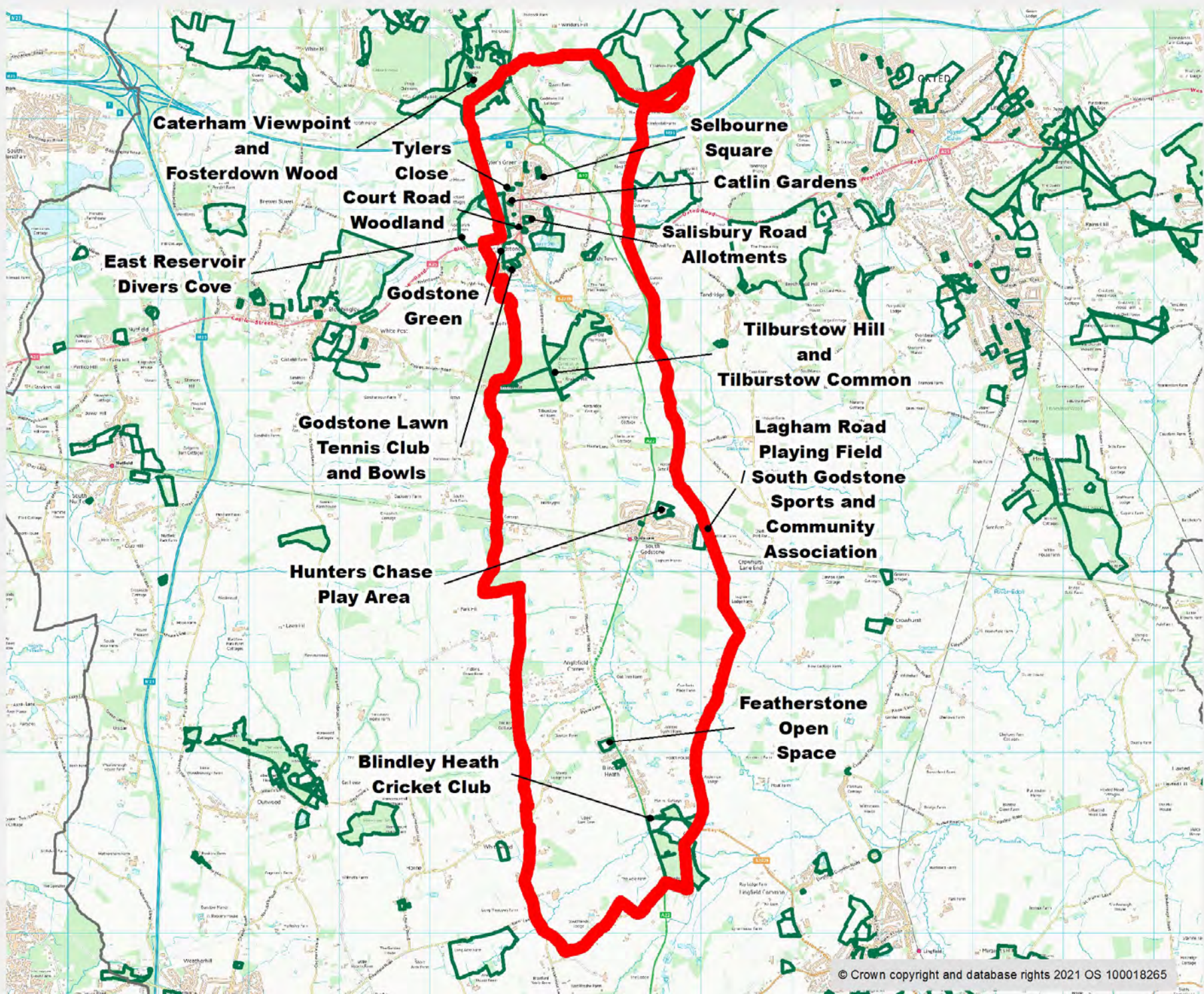
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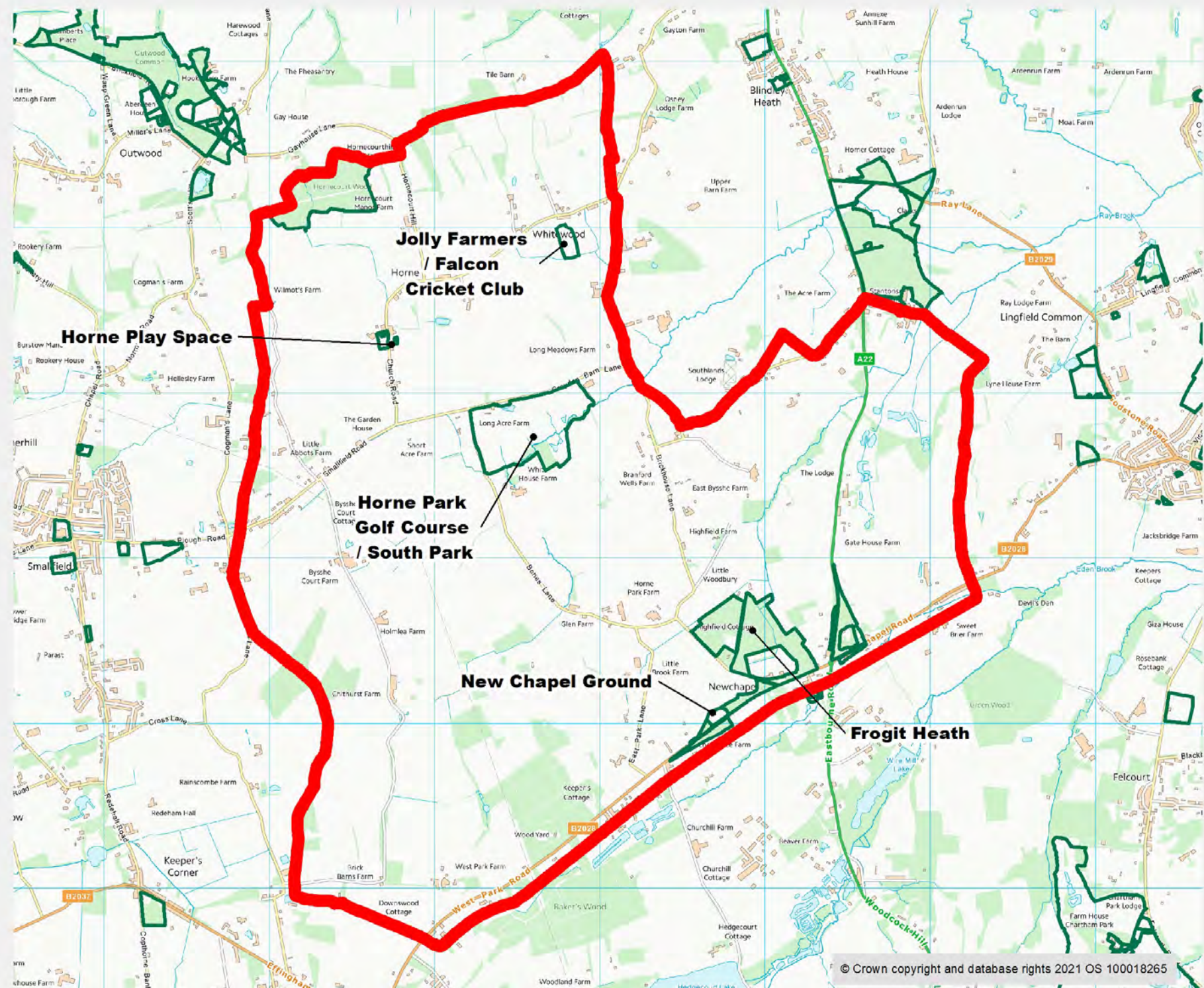
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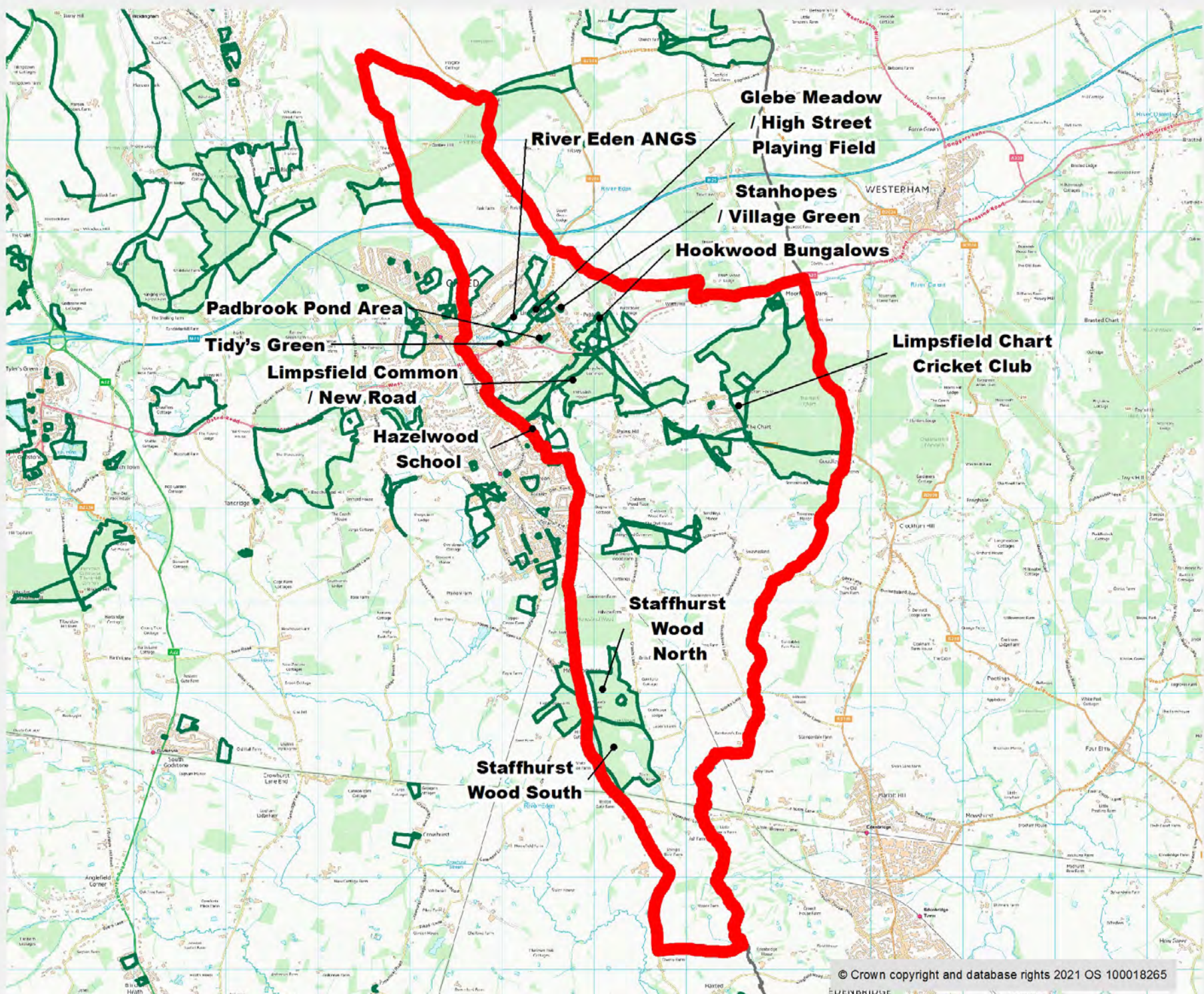
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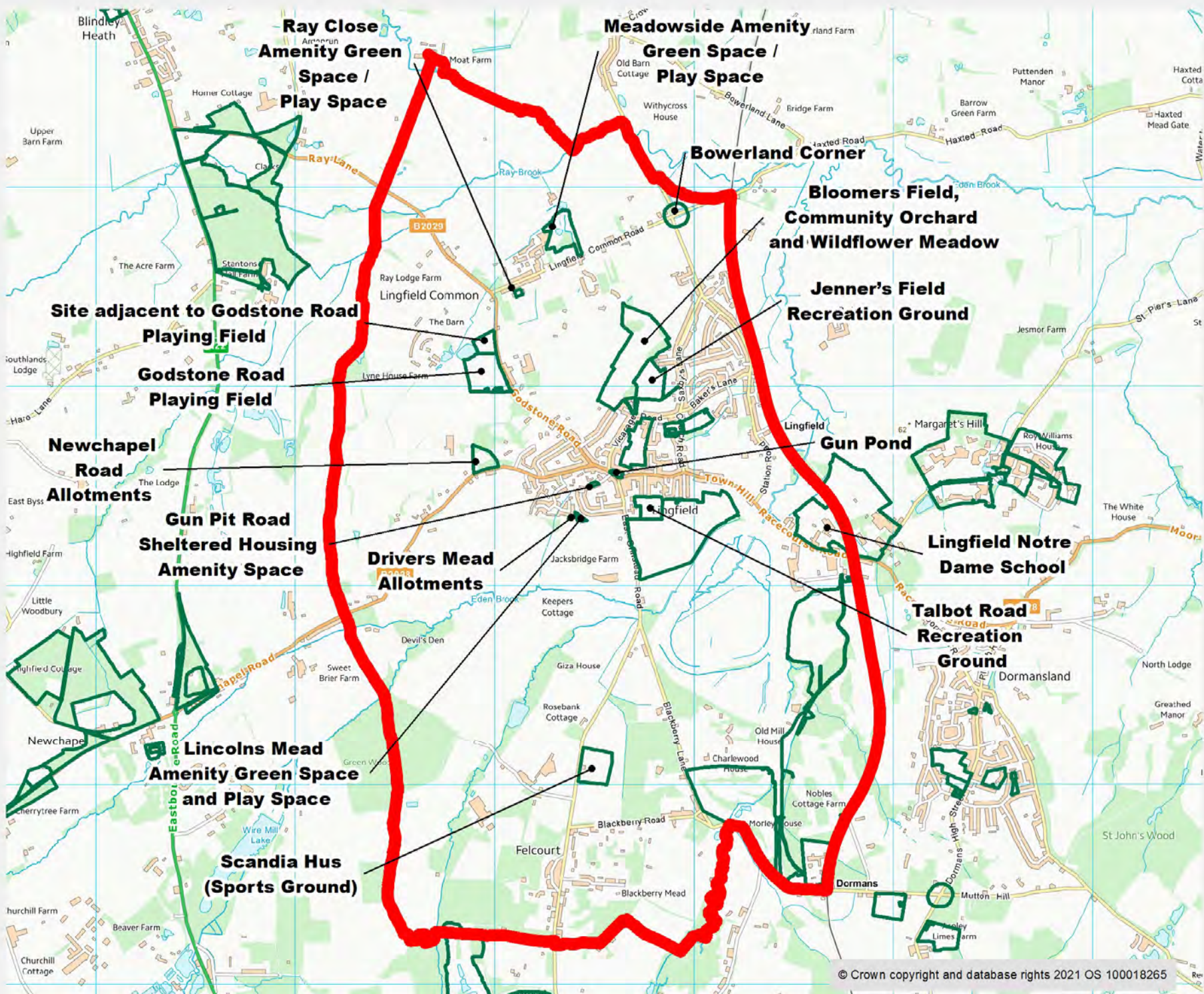
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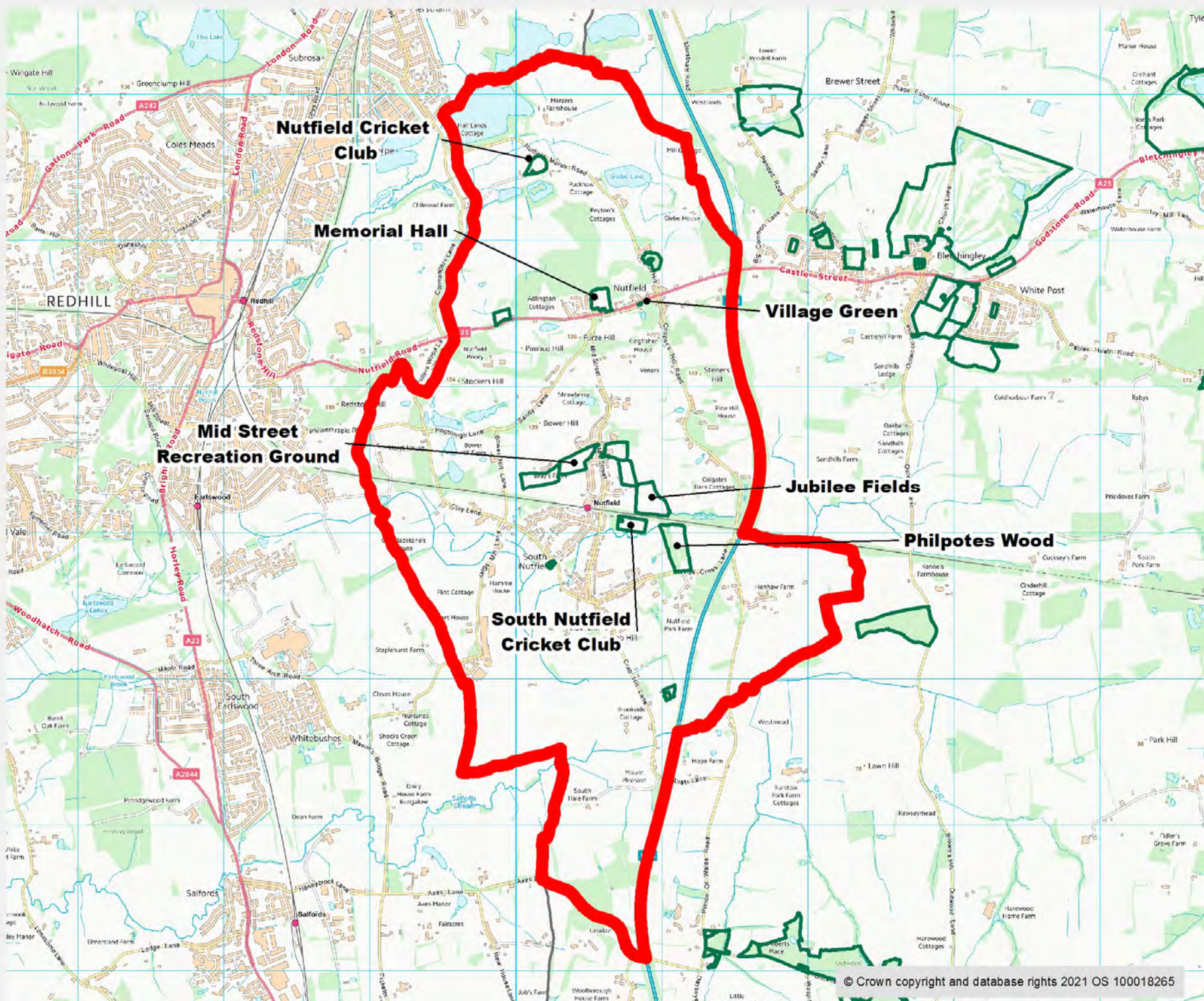
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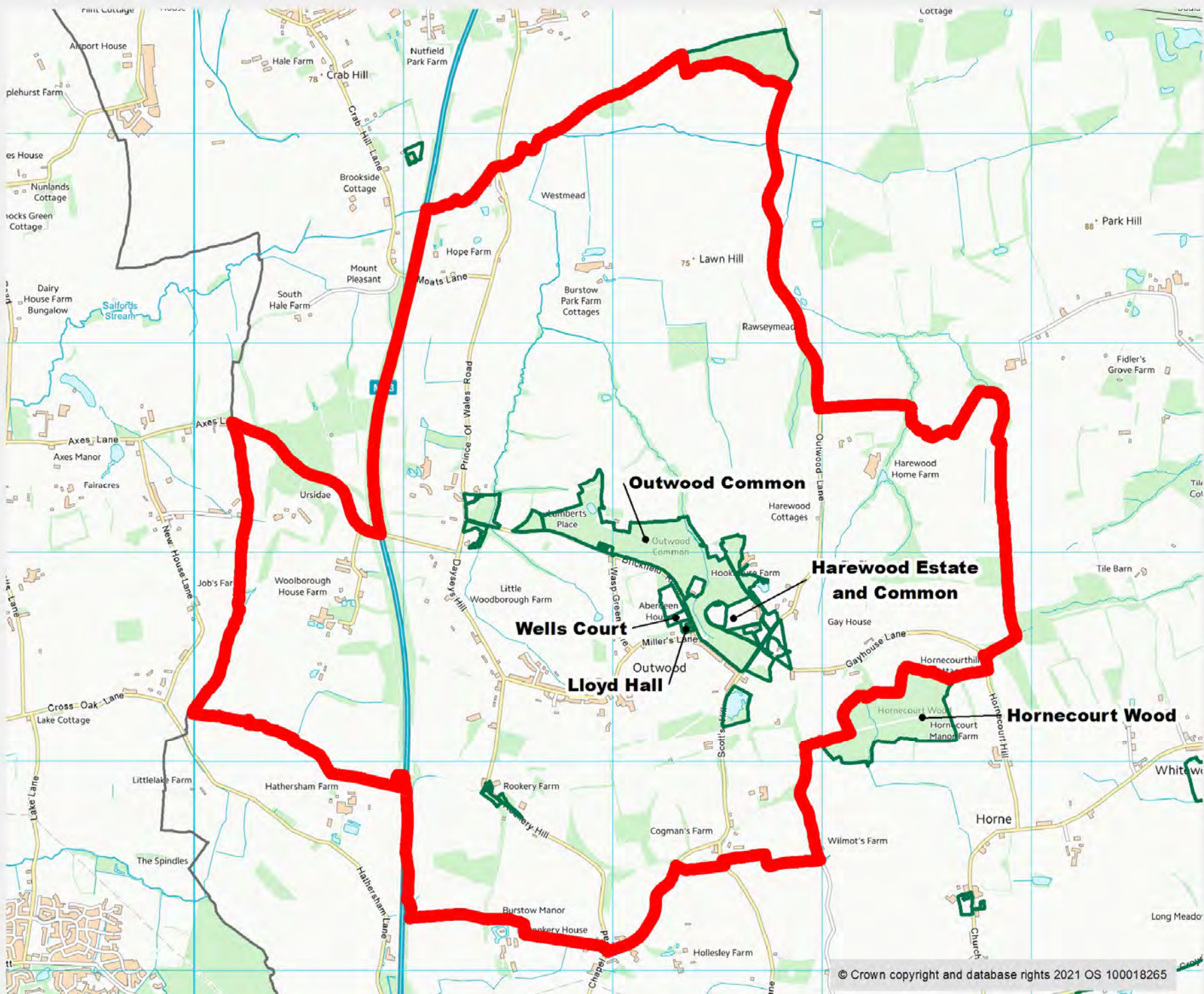


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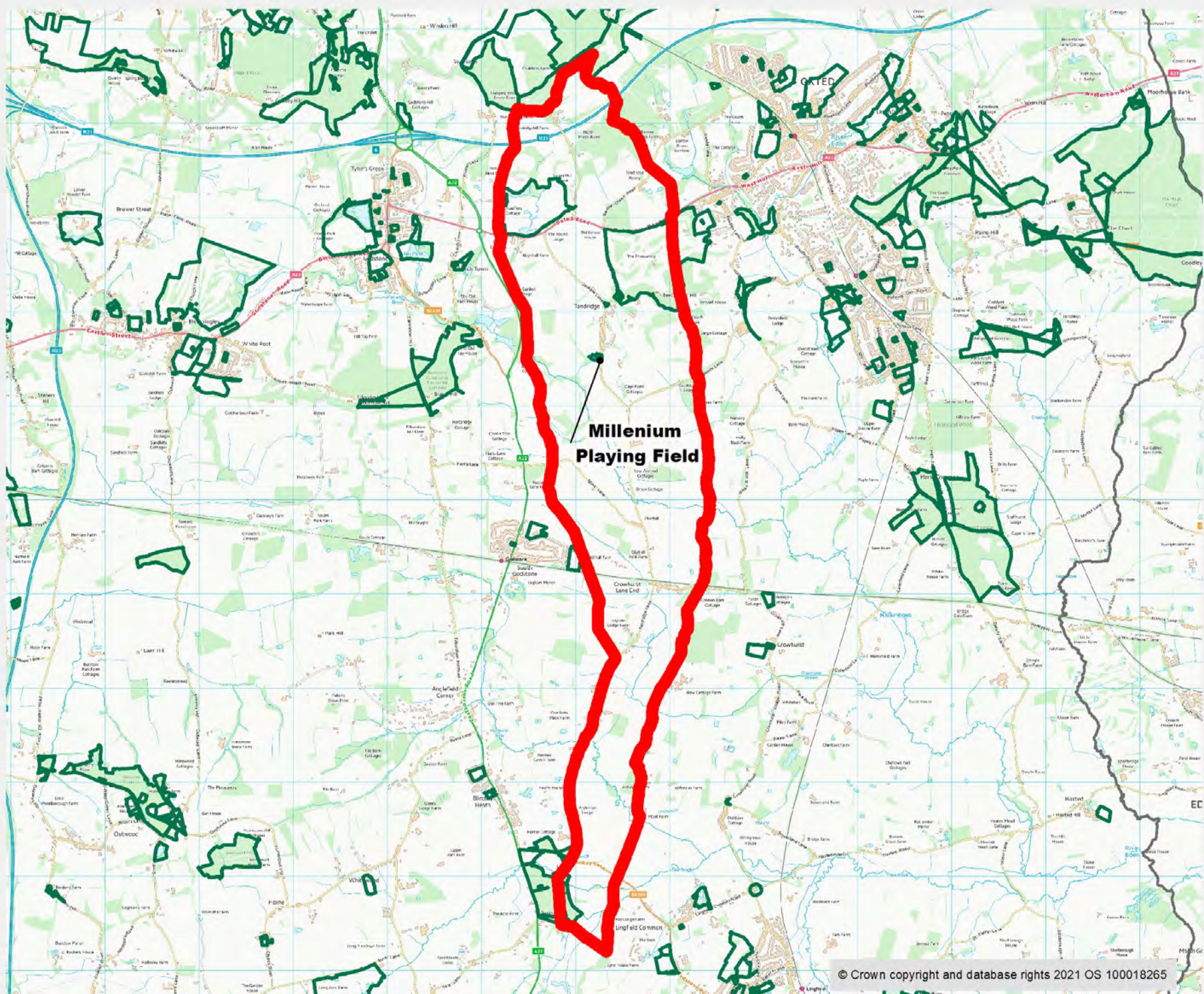
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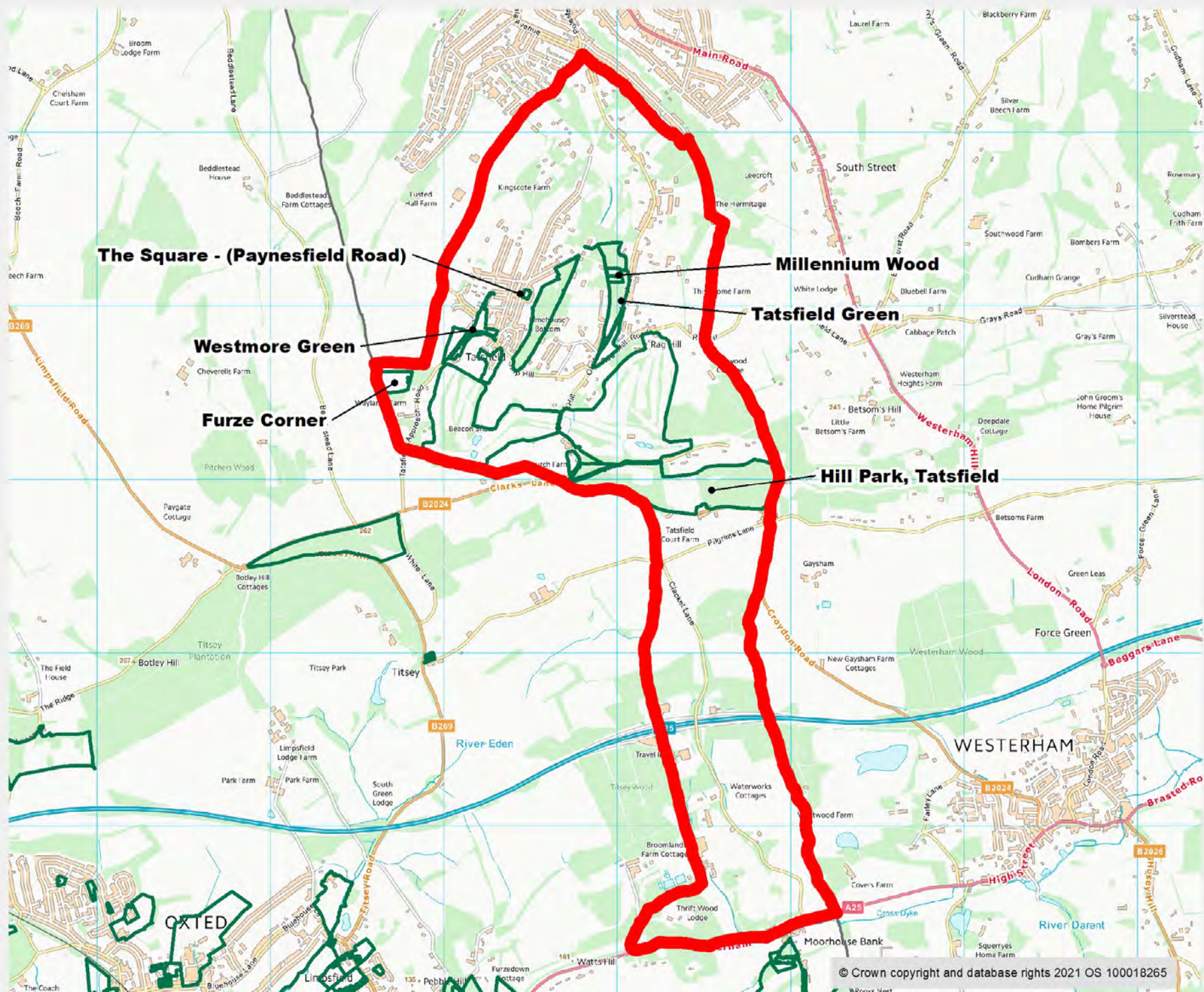
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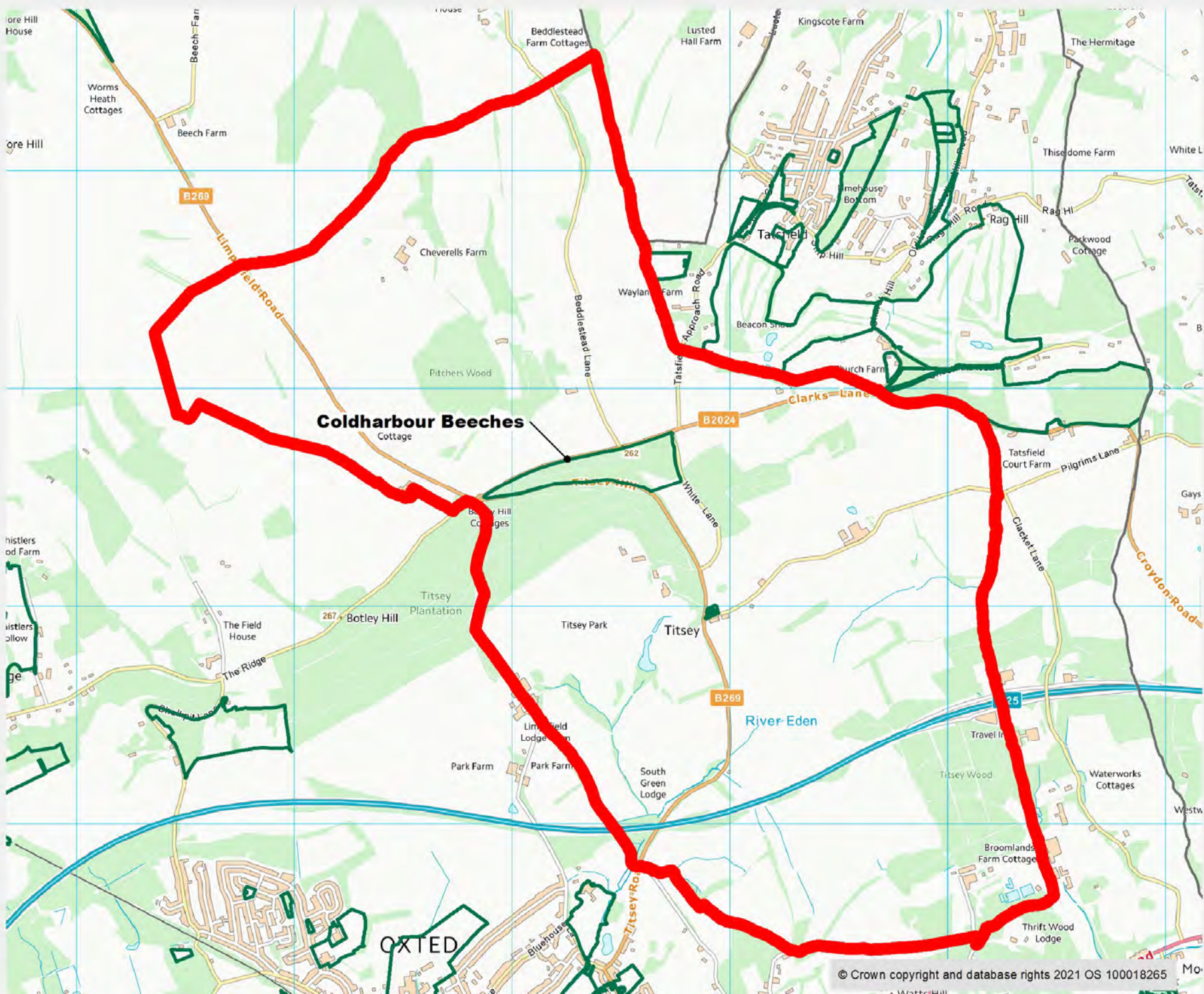
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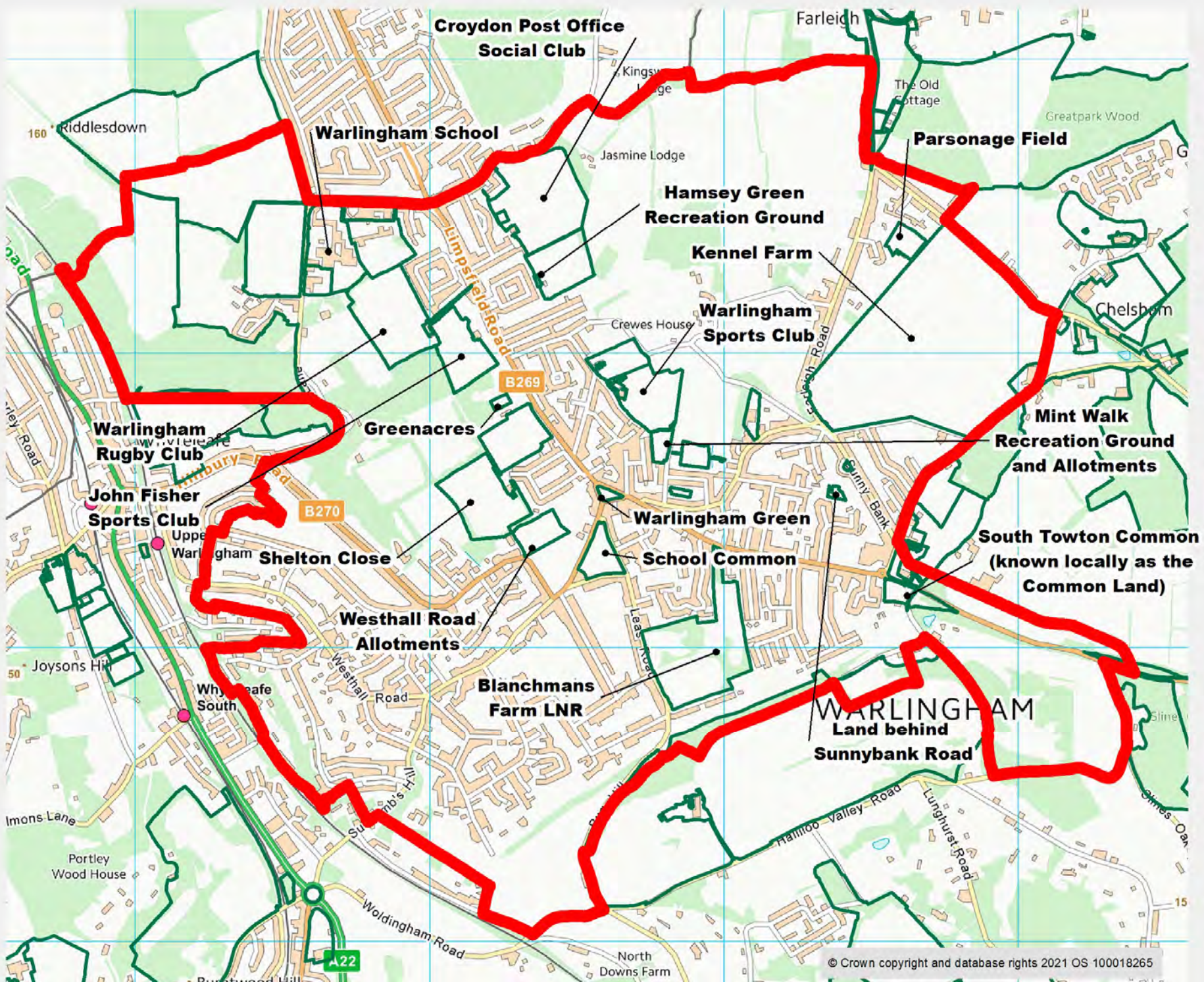
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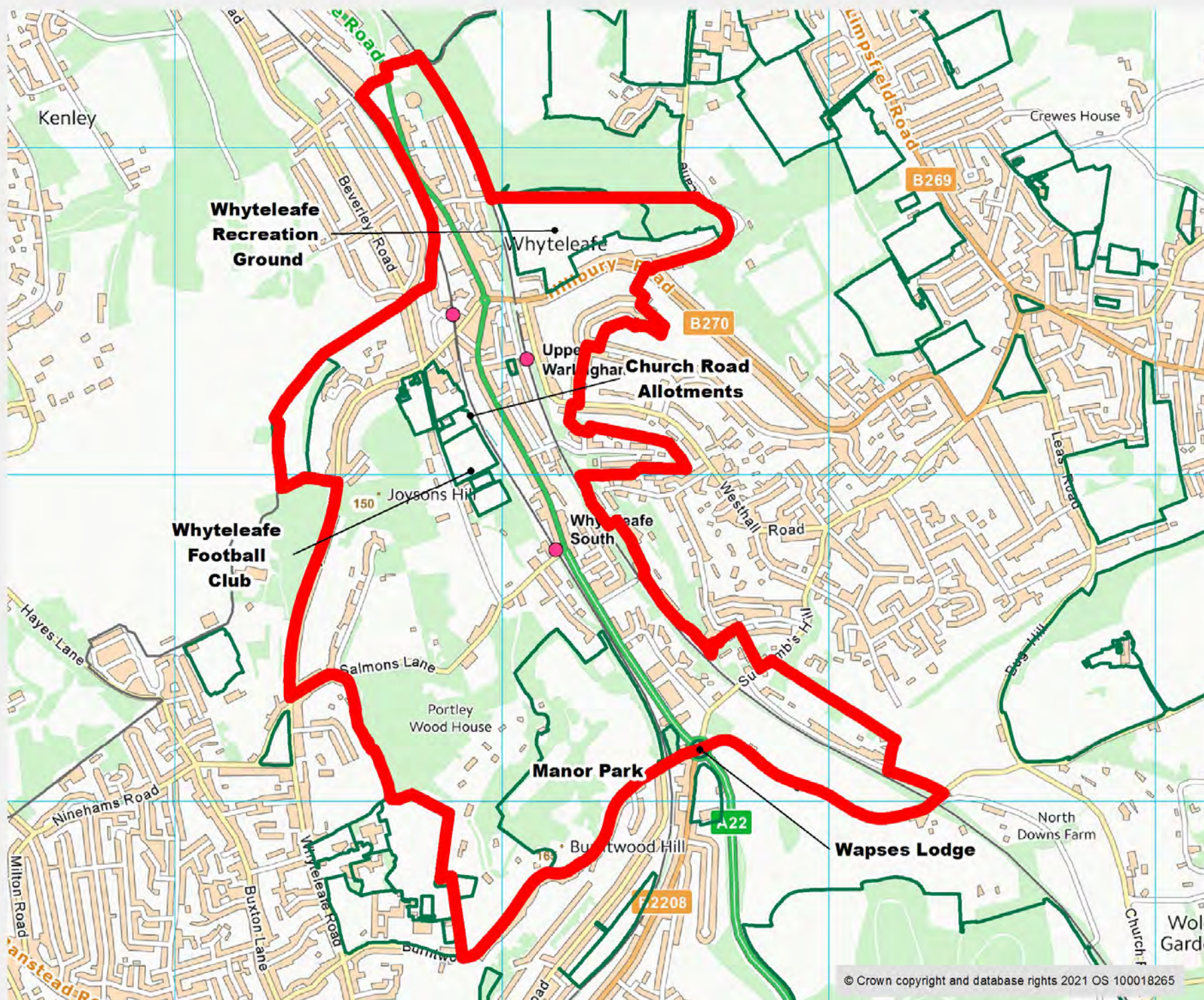
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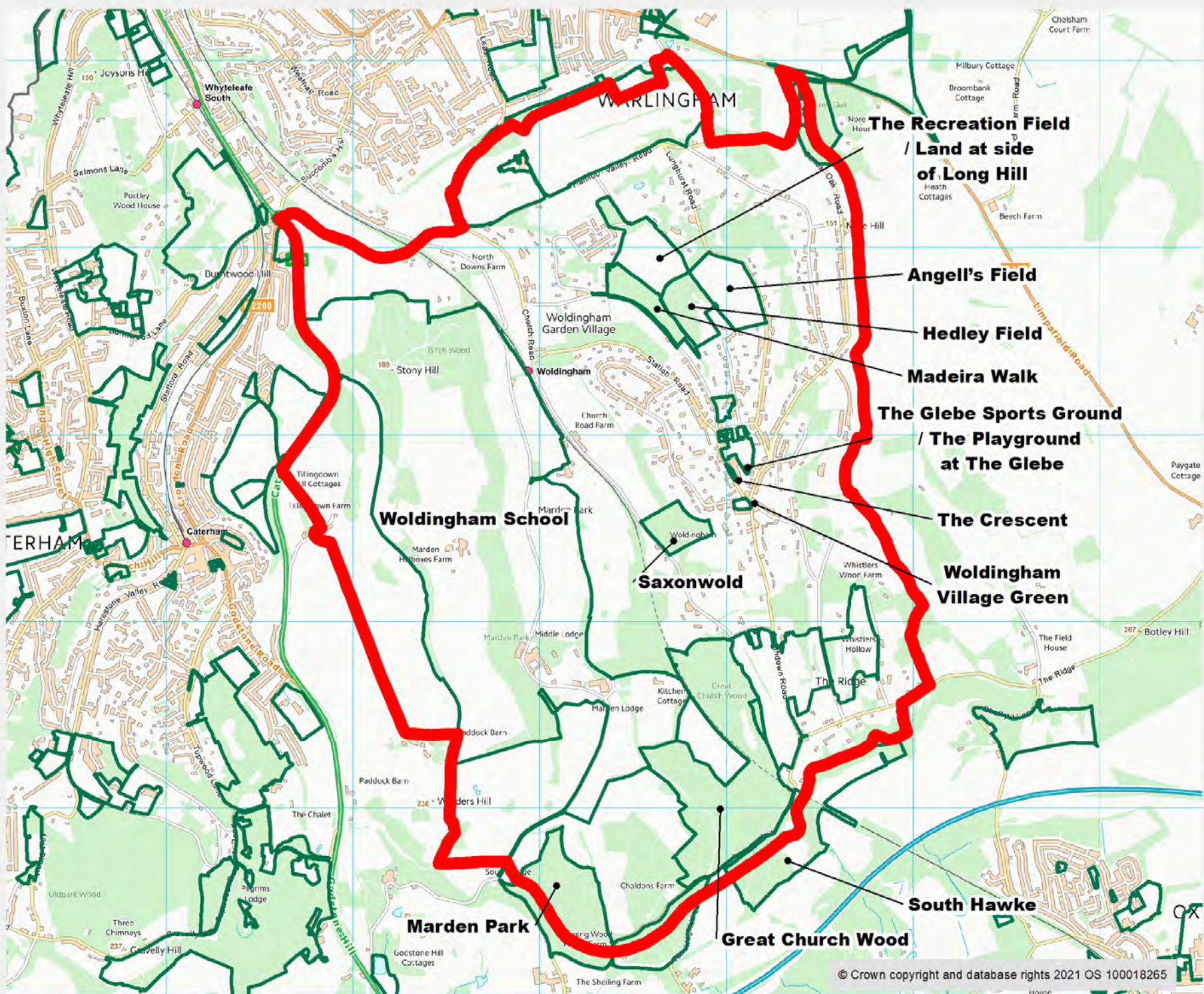
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