

# WINCHESTER CITY COUNCIL OPEN SPACE ASSESSMENT 2022



Hatchmore, Denmead



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## FOREWORD



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### Welcome to Winchester City Council's latest Open Space Assessment.

We are lucky to live in a beautiful district and the green open spaces in our city, towns and villages play an important role in enhancing our lives and enabling local people to live active and healthy lifestyles.

Many of these open spaces are demonstrably special to local communities and often hold a particular local significance because of their beauty, their wildlife value, their historic significance, their recreational value or their tranquillity.

This document lists and maps all these important open areas across the district and includes not only the formal recreational sites like play areas, parks, recreation grounds and sports fields, but also green spaces with a significant amenity value which help define the character and appearance of an area. Many of these areas may be important for their environmental functions too, such as holding floodwater, countering air pollution or helping reduce urban temperatures in summer.

The council's open space standard seeks to ensure that where new development takes place, adequate and appropriate open space is provided to make sure that open space infrastructure keeps up with new housing provision.

However, urban open space is often under intense pressure in the light of rising demands from our busy, growing population. This Assessment therefore identifies those open spaces that will continue to receive protection in the Local Plan.

Abbey Gardens



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This Open Space Assessment is a 'background paper' to the adopted Local Plan. It lists, maps and quantifies important open areas in and around the towns and villages of the district, where Winchester City Council is the local planning authority.

Villages and parishes within the South Downs National Park (SDNP) area are not included. Where parishes straddle the boundary with the SDNP, only those parishes which have their main settlement or village outside of the SDNP are assessed, for example Bishop's Waltham, Wickham and Denmead. Parishes which straddle the boundary but have their main village or settlement inside the Park are to be assessed by the SDNP Authority using a similar format.

Some important open areas may not be publicly accessible, like private school or college playing fields. These green spaces continue to benefit from protection in the Local Plan and have therefore been mapped but not added to the quantum of publicly accessible open space, unless the school or college allows access to the community, on some sort of managed basis.

Also included on the maps and in the schedules are open green areas with a significant visual amenity value. Most of these areas were previously identified under Policy RT1 in the earlier 'Local Plan Review' but have been reviewed and added to.

Areas with visual amenity may not necessarily be useable recreational open spaces but nevertheless contribute substantially to the appearance and local distinctiveness of an area, and help define the character of the district's towns and villages. Some of these areas may also be important for their biodiversity or heritage value. The schedules in the assessment indicate in each case why the open area is protected. Many open spaces warrant protection for a number of reasons.

Open spaces selected for inclusion in the Assessment have been compiled with the assistance of each parish council. The previous list of important open spaces were sent to

the parish councils in June 2020 and most of the parishes responded with corrections, updates and additional open spaces for Winchester City Council to consider.

All of these important open spaces are now supported by Winchester City Council's geographical information systems (GIS) and are included on a mapping layer which will be kept up to date.

The purpose of the Assessment and the corresponding policies in the Local Plan is to provide some protection for these sites, which can be subject to development pressure, particularly within settlement boundaries.

The Assessment also identifies specific needs and shortfalls of open space and indicates what further open space provision may be needed in each area.

Understanding the need for open space in each area ensures that Winchester City Council remains compliant with the advice contained in the Government's latest 'National Planning Policy Framework' (February 2019) paragraphs 96 and 97:

96. Access to a network of high quality open spaces and opportunities for sport and physical activity is important for the health and well-being of communities. Planning policies should be based on robust and up-to-date assessments of the need for open space, sport and recreation facilities (including quantitative or qualitative deficits or surpluses) and opportunities for new provision. Information gained from the assessments should be used to determine what open space, sport and recreational provision is needed, which plans should then seek to accommodate.

97. Existing open space, sports and recreational buildings and land, including playing fields should not be built on unless:

- An assessment has been undertaken which has clearly shown the open space, buildings or land to be surplus to requirements; or
- The loss resulting from the proposed development would be replaced by equivalent or better provision in terms of quantity and quality in a suitable location; or
- The development is for alternative sports and recreational provision, the benefits of which clearly outweigh the loss of the current or former use.

Previous editions of this Assessment dealt only with children's play space, sports grounds and informal green space. These typologies were those set out in the earlier Local Plan Review's Open Space Standard and referred to in Policy RT4. These open space types and the standard applied at that time had been adapted from nationwide standards and advice contained in the National Playing Fields Association's '6 Acre Standard' document.\*\*

However, in response to the advice in the government's Planning Policy Guidance document PPG17 that open space standards should be 'locally derived', Winchester City Council commissioned

a district-wide 'Open Space Sports and Recreation Study' in 2008 which recommended an increase in the open space standard from 2.8 hectares per thousand people, to 4.0 hectares per thousand people and a wider range of open space typologies.

To accord with this change therefore, important open areas are now broken down into the following categories:

1. Allotments;
2. Informal Green Space
3. Natural Green Space
4. Play space
5. Parks, Sports & Recreation Grounds

EXISTING OPEN SPACE, SPORTS AND RECREATIONAL BUILDINGS AND LAND, INCLUDING PLAYING FIELDS **SHOULD NOT BE BUILT ON** (NPPF C97)

## 2. CATEGORIES



### ALLOTMENTS

Allotments: i.e., large or small areas used by communities for growing food;



Winchester allotments



### INFORMAL GREEN SPACE

Informal Green Space: i.e., publicly accessible and useable open space which has not been allocated for any other use and is neither laid out nor managed for a specific function such as a play area, a park, a recreation or sports ground, a nature area or an allotment. These areas of open space will vary in size but are likely to have the following characteristics: open and unlikely to be physically demarcated by walls or fences; predominantly laid down to mown grass; unlikely to have identifiable entrance points (unlike parks); unlikely to have planted flower beds or other formal planted layouts, although there may be shrub and tree planting; generally no other recreational facilities and fixtures (such as play equipment or ball courts), although there may be items such as litter bins and benches. Examples might include both small and larger grassed areas in housing estates and general recreation spaces. The advantage of this type of open space is that it can serve a variety of functions. Some areas will be used for informal recreation activities like 'kick-about' or dog walking. Others can by themselves or collectively also contribute to the overall visual amenity and character of an area. Many informal green spaces perform an important urban cooling function and many act as sponges for flood water.



Knowle Village



### NATURAL GREEN SPACE

Natural Green Space: i.e., publicly accessible woodland, wetland, river floodplain, grassland, heathland or meadow, i.e., spaces which have natural characteristics and wildlife value but which are also open for public use and enjoyment. Some of these spaces are designated as Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC). Local consultation has identified the value attached to such spaces for recreation and emotional well-being. A sense

of 'closeness to nature' with its attendant benefits for people is something easily lost in urban areas. Natural Green Space should be viewed as important a component of community infrastructure in planning for new development as other forms of open space or built recreation facilities. Natural Green Space can make an important contribution toward Biodiversity Action Plan targets and can also raise awareness of biodiversity values and issues.



St Faith's Meadow



### PLAY SPACE

Equipped children's and young people's play space: i.e., 'tot lots', 'LAP's', 'LEAP's and 'NEAP's



Caraway play area



### PARKS, SPORTS & RECREATION GROUNDS

Parks, Sports & Recreation Grounds: these are found in nearly every village and ward.



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# 3. OVERCOMING OPEN SPACE DEFICITS AND CIL

In those settlements in the district (outside the SDNP) where it is clear that there are still open space needs in the community (see overleaf) and this Assessment reveals there to be deficits in either quantity, quality or accessibility, consideration will be given to releasing Winchester City Council held CIL funds, particularly for those larger facilities like Sports Grounds, Parks and Recreation Grounds, to 'top-up' those CIL funds received by parish councils from each CIL contribution.

However, in many existing urban areas, while it will be possible to ascertain notional shortfalls in open space and identify specific needs, it will not always be feasible to overcome these shortfalls. While the Local Planning Authority will seek improvements in the open space network where it can, the most recent open space standard of 4.0 hectares per thousand population (significantly higher than it was in the previous Local Plan) is unlikely to be achieved in every existing settlement or urban area and is instead more pertinent and attainable where new housing development is taking place. The council's strategy is therefore to protect and where possible enhance the existing urban open space network.

IT IS NOT ALWAYS FEASIBLE TO OVERCOME SHORTFALLS IN OPEN SPACE

In these instances the council's objective is to

**PROTECT**  
and where possible  
**ENHANCE**

the existing urban open space network



Church Green Kingsworthy

1m<sup>2</sup>  
1 SQUARE M<sup>2</sup> OF VEGETATION  
**GENERATES**  
ENOUGH  
**OXYGEN**  
FOR A PERSON  
FOR A YEAR

Left - Talavera Park, Winchester - Parks, Sports Recreation Grounds

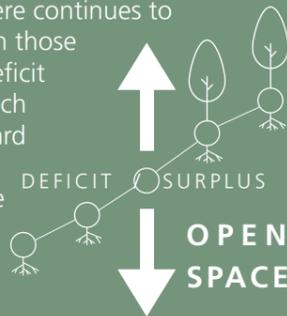
Middle - Elan - Kingsworthy - Informal Green Space Top - Orams Arbour, Winchester - Parks, Sports Recreation Grounds

# 4. REVIEW AND MAIN FINDINGS

The Assessment has been reviewed in the light of population increases in the district, and the provision of new open spaces in conjunction with new housing, since the last edition of this Assessment was produced in 2015, to see whether open space infrastructure at the district scale is 'keeping pace' with the provision of new houses.

The population of the district (excluding the SDNP area) has grown since 2015 from 109,610 to 115,129 in 2020, i.e., almost a 5% increase. In the same period the availability of useable open space has also grown from 1,220 ha to 1,324 ha, i.e., an increase of almost 8%. But while the total district quantum of open space has grown there continue to be several wards and parishes with severe shortfalls of open space – see opposite.

The Local Plan open space standard of 40m<sup>2</sup> per person (4.0 ha per thousand population) has also been reviewed to see if it is still set at an appropriate level. There continues to be an even split between those parishes and wards in deficit and those in surplus which indicates that the standard is still set about right. However the open space standard will continue to be reviewed in future assessments.



The following Parishes / Wards continue to have a surplus of accessible open space when assessed against the 4.0 ha standard in the Local Plan:

- Bighton
- Bishop's Waltham
- Compton & Shawford
- Crawley
- Curdridge
- Hursley
- Littleton
- Newlands (NB- Wellington Park included but not Berewood which is still under construction)
- Otterbourne
- Shedfield
- Swanmore
- Whiteley
- Badger Farm
- Winchester – St Michael Ward

The following Parishes / Wards have gone from a **DEFICIT** to a **SURPLUS** of accessible open space:

- Colden Common (due to the 'Kingsgate' development)
- Headbourne Worthy (due to the 'Kings Barton' development)
- Oliver's Battery (due to the acquisition of Texas Field as an 'asset of community value')

\*due to a recalculation  
\*\*due to Ward boundary changes in 2016

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The following parishes / Wards continue to have a deficit of accessible open space when assessed against the standard in the local plan.

- Bishops Sutton -1.54 ha
- Boarhunt -0.98 ha
- Denmead -8.41 ha
- Durley -2.29 ha
- Kingsworthy -0.18 ha
- Northington -0.47 ha
- Old Alresford -0.32 ha
- South Wonston -6.04 ha
- Southwick & Widley -2.77 ha
- Sparsholt -2.33 ha
- Wickham -4.63 ha
- Winchester – St Barnabus Ward -29.85 ha
- Winchester – St Luke Ward -7.57 ha
- Winchester – St Paul Ward -31.86 ha
- Wonston -1.39ha

The following parishes / Wards have gone from a **SURPLUS** to a **DEFICIT** of open space:

- Micheldever -1.12 ha\*
- New Alresford -5.07 ha\*
- Winchester – St Bartholomew -3.11 ha\*\*



 Bath Place, Winchester

The **POPULATION** of the district has grown by almost **5%**

The availability of useable **OPEN SPACE** has grown by **8%**

From 2015 to 2020

**Top** - Talavera Park, Winchester - Play Areas  
**Middle** - Hatchmore, Denmead - Play Areas  
**Bottom** - Knowle Village - Informal Green Space

# 5. THE SCHEDULES & MAPS

## OPEN SPACE ASSESSMENT

### The Schedules

Each parish or ward has a population total, which is taken from the latest Hampshire County Council 'Small Area Population Forecasts', which run until 2026. A population total allows a calculation to be made of how much open space would be required to meet the standard of 4.00 ha per thousand people. The amount of open space required in each area for each open space type is listed under 'CP7 Requirement'.

Each open space within the parish or ward is then grouped according to type and quantified with an indication of its reason for protection and whether

it is publicly accessible or not. Open spaces may be useable recreational open spaces or important for their visual amenity or important due to their biodiversity or heritage assets.

The total amount of space in hectares in each group is then compared with the CP7 requirement to see whether there is a surplus or a deficit in each category, which is then listed under 'Adequacy'.

The 'Needs and Opportunities' section provides some commentary and analysis of the statistics above.

### The Maps

Each open space site in each parish or ward is given a reference number and is shown on an individual map. The maps indicate, where relevant, each settlement boundary. Open space sites within the settlement boundary are protected by virtue of open space policies in the local plan (currently policy DM5 in local plan part 2) while open space sites outside of the settlement boundary, like village recreation grounds for example, receive protection under countryside policies.

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection		
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity/heritage
1	A	Albany Road Allotments	22,412	✓	✓	✓	
2	P	Hermitage Heights play area	692	✓	✓	✓	
3	P	Priory Park play area	4,803	✓	✓	✓	
4	P	Claylands Road play area	1,449	✓	✓	✓	
5	P	Blanchard Road play area	570	✓	✓	✓	
6	P	Jubilee Hall play area	723	✓	✓	✓	
7	P	Oak Road play area	1,695	✓	✓	✓	
8	P	Hoe Road play area (SDNP)	754	✓	✓	✓	
9	IGS	Godfrey Pink Way	693	✓	✓	✓	
10	IGS	Victoria Road open space	5,261	✓	✓	✓	
11	IGS	Claylands Court open space	716	X	✓	✓	
12	IGS	Denewulf Close	1,236	✓	✓	✓	
13	IGS	Morley Drive	980	✓	✓	✓	
14	IGS	Jubilee Hall	1,260	✓	✓	✓	
15	IGS	Shore Crescent	1,010	✓	✓	✓	
16	IGS	Penfords Paddock	1,396	✓	✓	✓	
17	IGS	Albany Road	4,559	✓	✓	✓	
18	IGS	Cricklemede	2,343	✓	✓	✓	
19	IGS	Bishops Waltham Trail Way	3,027	✓	✓	✓	
20	IGS	Bishops Palace	13,023	✓	✓	✓	
21	IGS	Albany Farm	43,000	✓	✓	✓	
22	IGS	Martin Street	8,000	✓	✓	✓	
23	IGS	Tangier Lane West	27,600	✓	✓	✓	
24	IGS	Coppice Hill	2,543	✓	✓	✓	
25	IGS	Siskin Close	1,250	✓	✓	✓	
26	IGS	Pondside (SDNP)	23,167	✓	✓	✓	
27	NGS	Priory Meadow	16,366	✓	✓	✓	

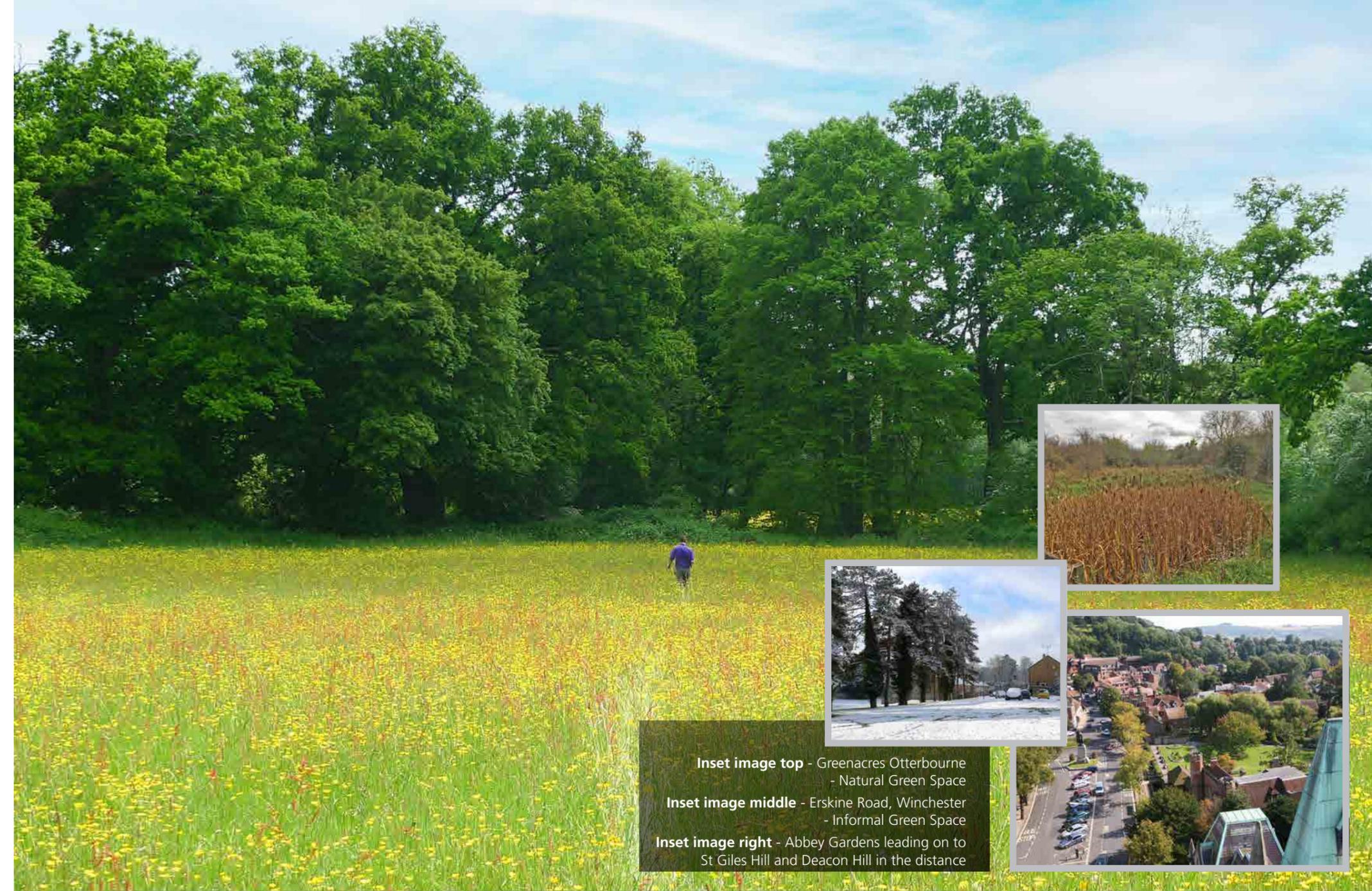
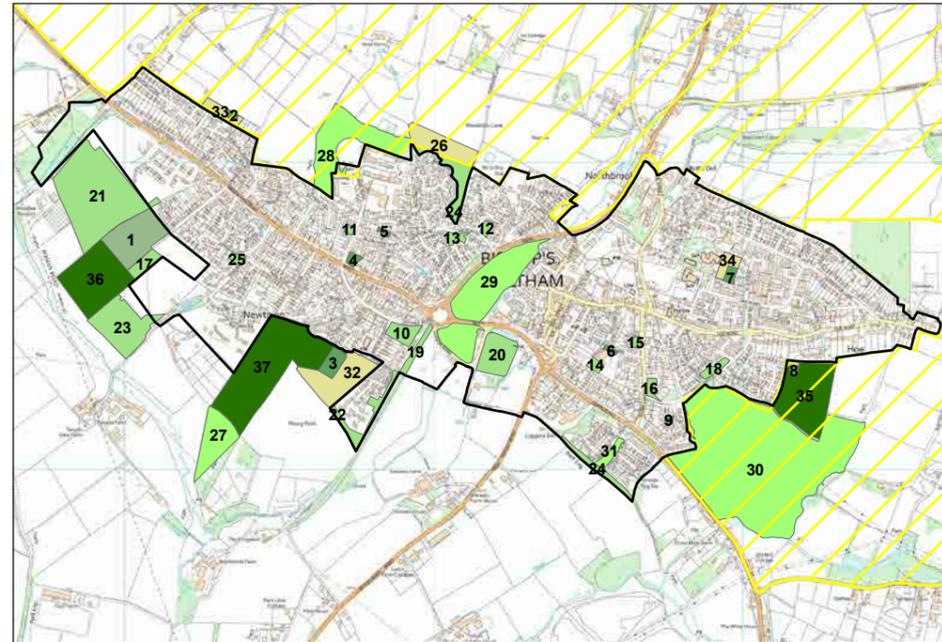
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28	NGS	Claylands Nature Reserve	32,753	✓	✓	✓	✓
29	NGS	North / South Pond	46,783	✓	✓	✓	✓
30	NGS	The Moors (SDNP)	177,752	✓	✓	✓	✓
31	NGS	Coppice Hill	5,206	✓	✓	✓	✓
32	PRG	Priory Park	20,609	✓	✓	✓	✓
33	PRG	Hermitage Heights park	4,306	✓	✓	✓	✓
34	PRG	Oak Road Park	3,591	✓	✓	✓	✓
35	PRG	Hoe Road (SDNP)	33,968	✓	✓	✓	✓
36	SG	Albany Road	33,375	✓	✓	✓	✓
37	SG	Priory Park	62,444	✓	✓	✓	✓

Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Standard	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	1.39	2.24	1
IGS - Informal Green Space	5.57	14.12	9
NGS - Natural Green Space	6.96	27.89	21
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	5.22	6.25	1
P - Play	5.22	9.58	4
SG - Sports Ground	3.48	1.07	-2
<b>Total</b>	<b>24.36</b>	<b>60.08</b>	<b>36</b>

Needs & Opportunities	
The recent housing allocations are providing new areas of open space, such that previous deficiencies in accessible open space within the settlement boundary are, for the time being, overcome. Any future housing development should however include adequate amounts of open space infrastructure to ensure that open space provision keeps pace with housing development.	



**Inset image top** - Greenacres Otterbourne - Natural Green Space  
**Inset image middle** - Erskine Road, Winchester - Informal Green Space  
**Inset image right** - Abbey Gardens leading on to St Giles Hill and Deacon Hill in the distance

# BIGHTON

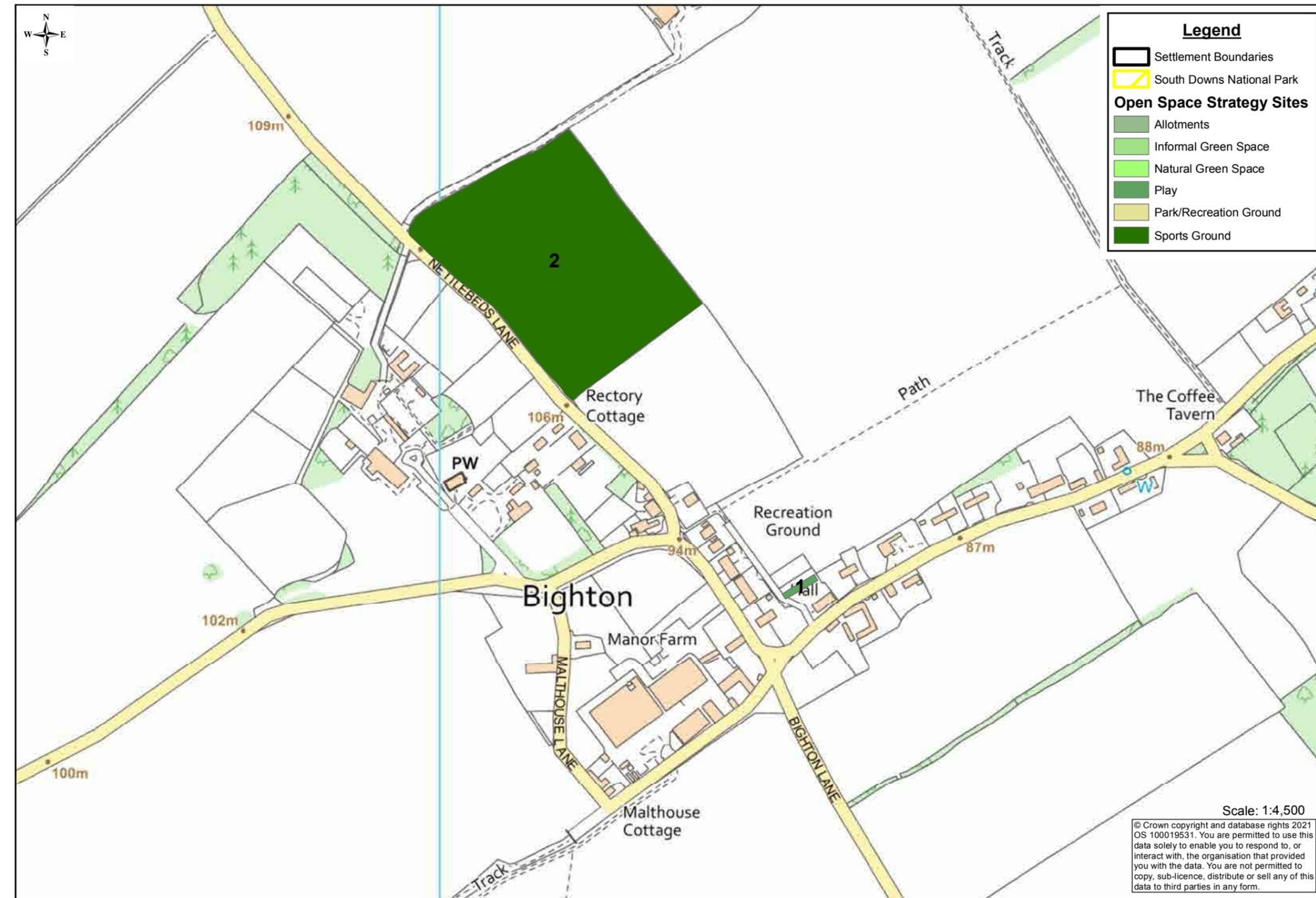
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Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	P	Dean Lane play area	236	✓	✓	✓		
2	SG	Manor Farm	37,766	✓	✓	✓		

Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.07	0	-0.07
IGS - Informal Green Space	0.28	0	-0.26
NGS - Natural Green Space	0.35	0	-0.33
P - Play	0.17	0.02	-0.14
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	0.26	0	-0.25
SG - Sports Ground	0.26	3.78	3.52
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.39</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>2.47</b>

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

This is a rural village with good access to open countryside. There is a play area but this needs further improvements to bring it up to LEAP standard. There is no play area in Gundleton. There are shortfalls in all categories of public open space and the privately owned Manor Farm Field is of a good size but is in poor condition with a sub-standard pavilion.



# BISHOPS SUTTON

POPULATION - 447

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	IGS	Hobbs Close 1	466	✓	✓	✓		
2	IGS	Hobbs Close 2	2,105	✓	✓	✓		

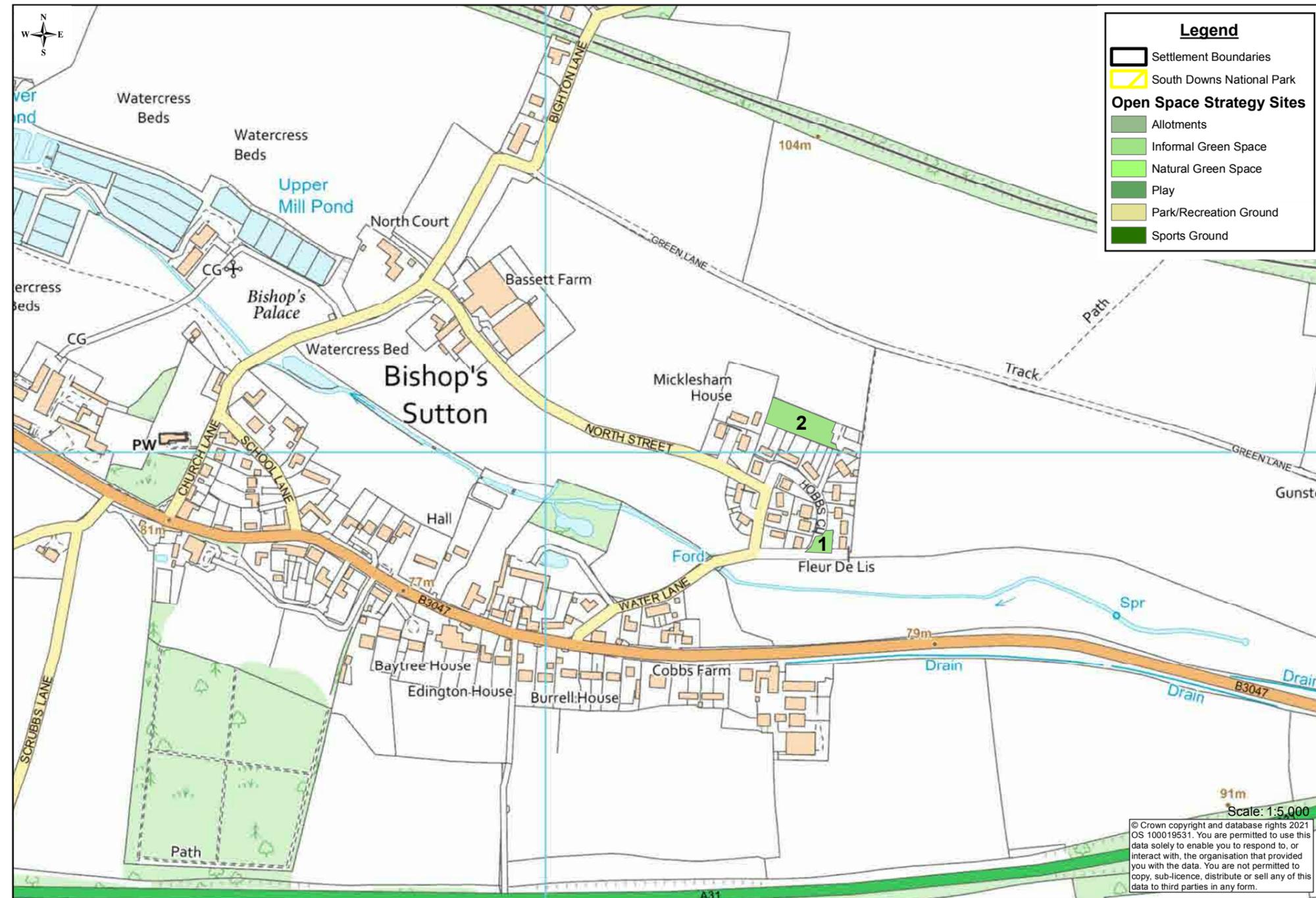
Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.09	0	-0.09
IGS - Informal Green Space	0.36	0.26	-0.10
NGS - Natural Green Space	0.45	0	-0.45
P - Play	0.22	0	-0.22
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	0.34	0	-0.34
SG - Sports Ground	0.34	0	-0.34
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>0.26</b>	<b>-1.54</b>

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

A rural village with good access to open countryside but with deficits in every category of public open space. The village needs its own play area but tends to look to New Alresford for formal recreational facilities.



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# BISHOP'S WALTHAM

POPULATION - 6958

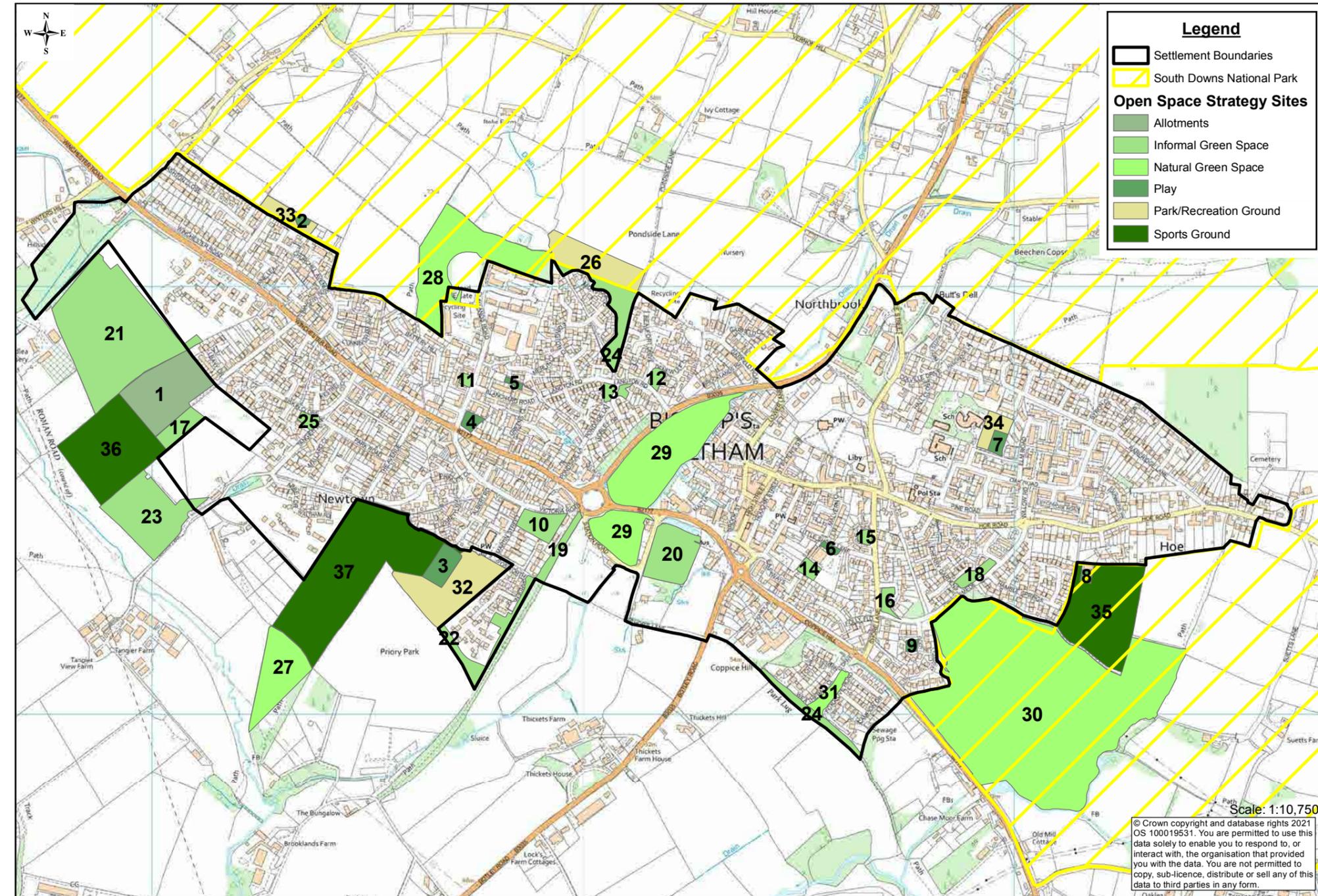
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IGS - Informal Green Space	5.57	14.12	8.55
NGS - Natural Green Space	6.96	27.89	20.93
P - Play	3.48	1.07	-2.41
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	5.22	6.25	1.03
SG - Sports Ground	5.22	9.58	4.36
<b>Total</b>	<b>27.84</b>	<b>61.15</b>	<b>33.31</b>

### NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

The recent housing allocations are providing new areas of open space, such that previous deficiencies in accessible open space within the settlement boundary are, for the time being, overcome. Any future housing development should however include adequate amounts of open space infrastructure to ensure that open space provision keeps pace with housing development.



# BOARHUNT

POPULATION - 572

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m²)	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	P	Recreation Ground play area	539	✓	✓	✓		
2	PRG	Recreation Ground	10,984	✓	✓	✓		
3	A	Boarhunt Allotments	1,706	✓	✓	✓		

Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.11	0.16	0.05
IGS - Informal Green Space	0.46	0	-0.46
NGS - Natural Green Space	0.57	0	-0.57
P - Play	0.29	0.05	-0.24
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	0.43	1.1	0.67
SG - Sports Ground	0.43	0	-0.43
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.29</b>	<b>1.31</b>	<b>-0.98</b>

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

A rural village with good access to open countryside but with shortfalls in most categories of public open space. There is no play provision to the south of the B2177 but there is a play area to LEAP standard on the main Trampers Lane Recreation Ground which has been recently improved. The football pitch meets league standard in terms of size but the small pavilion is inadequate.



# COLDEN COMMON

POPULATION - 3987

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	A	Hill Lane	8,521	✓	✓	✓		
2	P	The Triangle'	3,435	✓	✓	✓		
3	P	The Green', St Vigor Way	996	✓	✓	✓		
4	P	The Recreation Ground	751	✓	✓	✓		
5	P	Colden Common Park	690	✓	✓	✓		
6	IGS	Hazel Close	467	✓	✓	✓		
7	IGS	St Vigor Way (N)	794	✓	✓	✓		
8	IGS	Ash Close	573	✓	✓	✓		
9	IGS	Birch Close	1,702	✓	✓	✓		
10	IGS	Church Lane	2,135	✓	✓	✓		
11	IGS	Valley Close	1,972	✓	✓	✓		
12	IGS	Lime Close	381	✓	✓	✓		
13	IGS	St Vigor Way (S)	1,368	✓	✓	✓		
14	IGS	Lower Moors Road	1,622	✓	✓	✓		
15	IGS	Sandyfields	13,770	✓	✓	✓		
16	NGS	Strattons Copse	24,640	✓	✓	✓	✓	
17	NGS	Bluebell Wood	1,486	✓	✓	✓		
18	NGS	North Pond, Vears Lane	7,839	✓	✓	✓		
19	NGS	Church Pond	5,560	✓	✓	✓		
20	NGS	Colden Common Park	6,137	✓	✓	✓		
21	NGS	Colden Common Park (SDNP)	7,617	✓	✓	✓		
22	SG	The Recreation Ground	22,689	✓	✓	✓		
23	SG	Colden Common Park	59,821	✓	✓	✓		
24	PRG	The Green', St Vigor Way	12,951	✓	✓	✓		

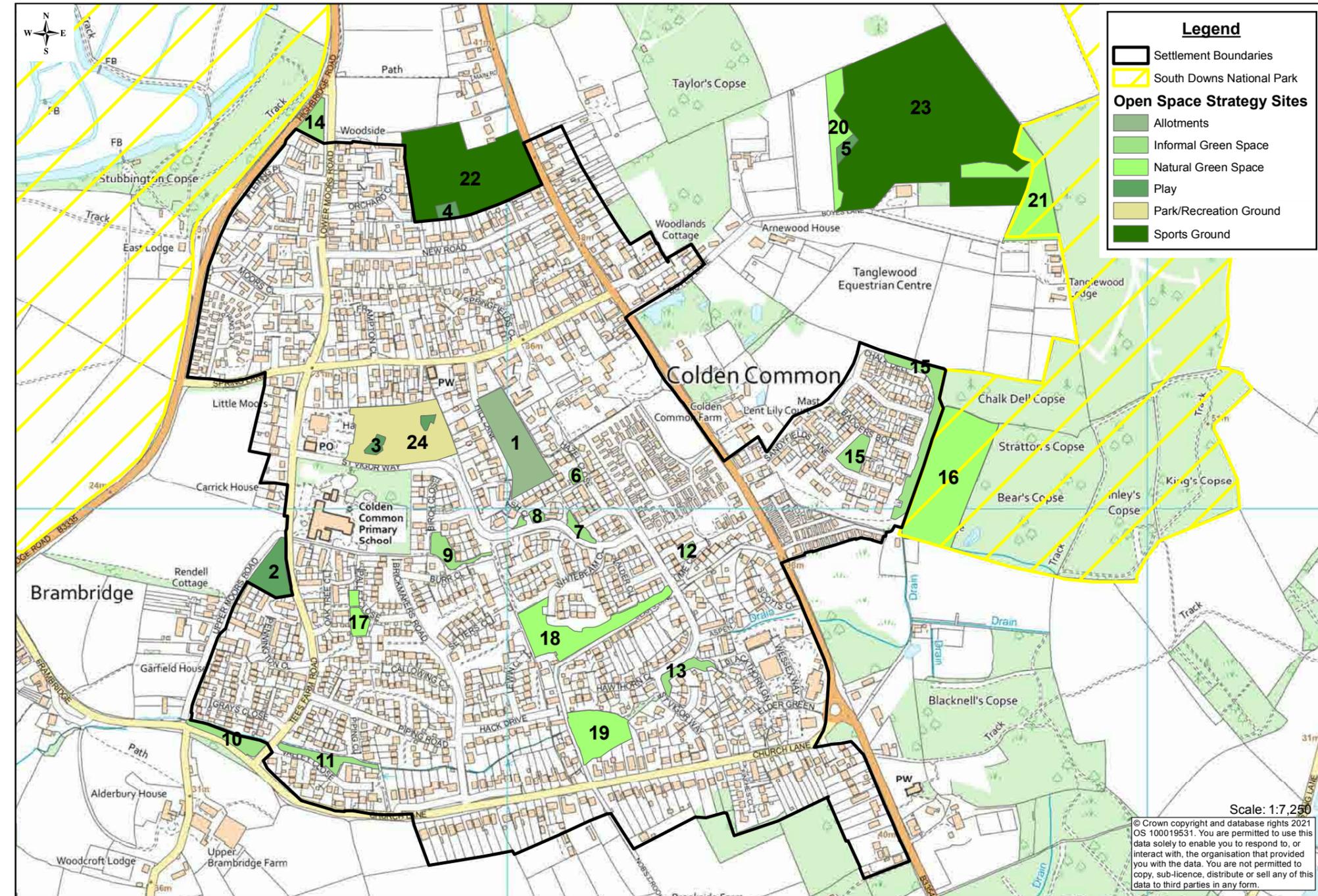
Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.8	0.85	0.05
IGS - Informal Green Space	3.19	2.48	-0.71
NGS - Natural Green Space	3.99	5.33	1.34
P - Play	1.99	0.59	-1.40
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	2.99	1.3	-1.69
SG - Sports Ground	2.99	8.25	5.26
<b>Total</b>	<b>15.95</b>	<b>18.8</b>	<b>2.85</b>



Colden Common - The Green

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

Despite there being some shortfalls in certain categories, the village will have a small overall surplus of public open space when assessed against the local plan standard, with the provision of new open spaces at the allocated Sandyfields Nursery site.



# COMPTON & SHAWFORD

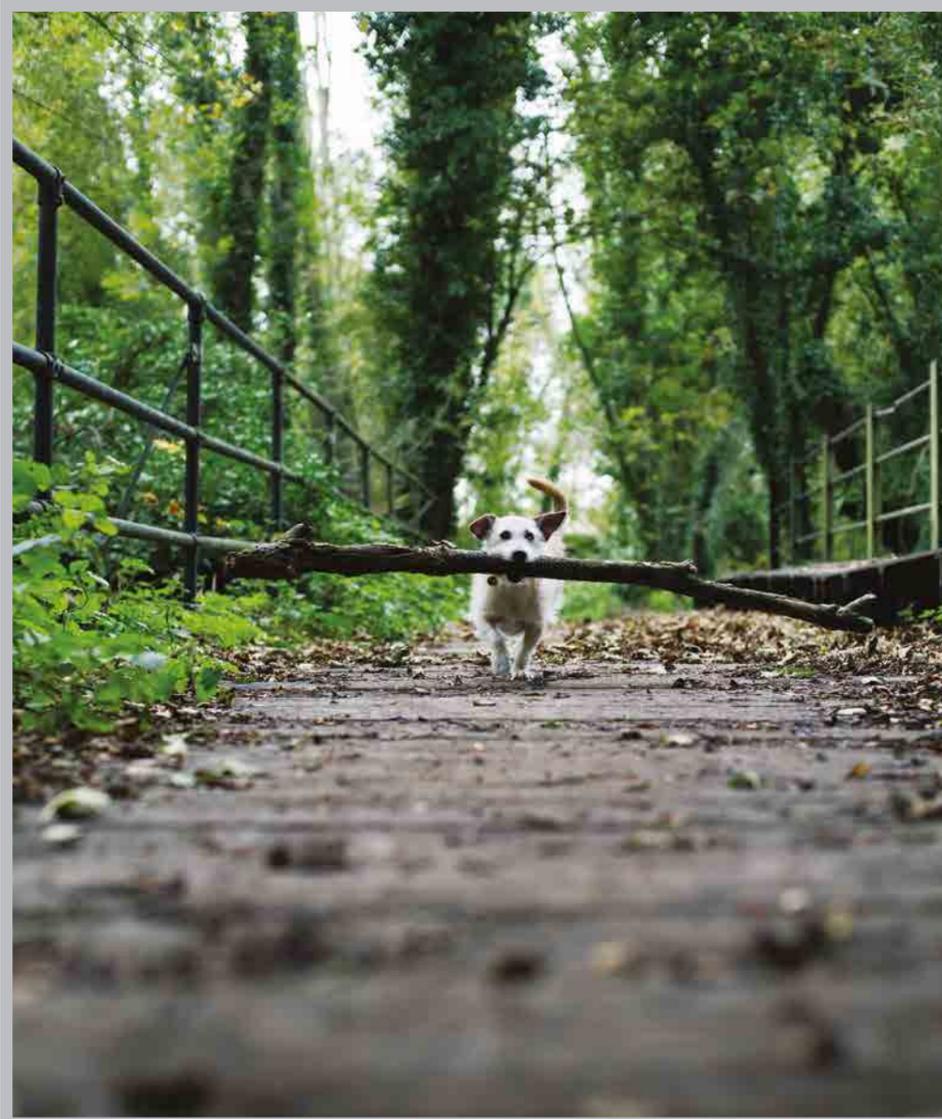
POPULATION - 1730

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m²)	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	P	Compton Street play area	360	✓	✓	✓		
2	P	Memorial Playing Field	470	✓	✓	✓		
3	IGS	The Knoll	29,503	✓	✓	✓		
4	IGS	Southdown Path	6,162	✓	✓	✓		
5	NGS	Compton Lock (SDNP)	4,015	✓	✓	✓	✓	
6	NGS	Yew Tree Woods	65,937	✓	✓	✓	✓	
7	NGS	Shawford Down	183,413	✓	✓	✓	✓	
8	NGS	Sparrowgrove	105,053	✓	✓	✓	✓	
9	NGS	Bushfield Camp	195,588	✓	✓	✓	✓	
10	SG	Memorial Playing Field	39,678	✓	✓	✓		
11	PRG	Compton Street Park	2,735	✓	✓	✓		

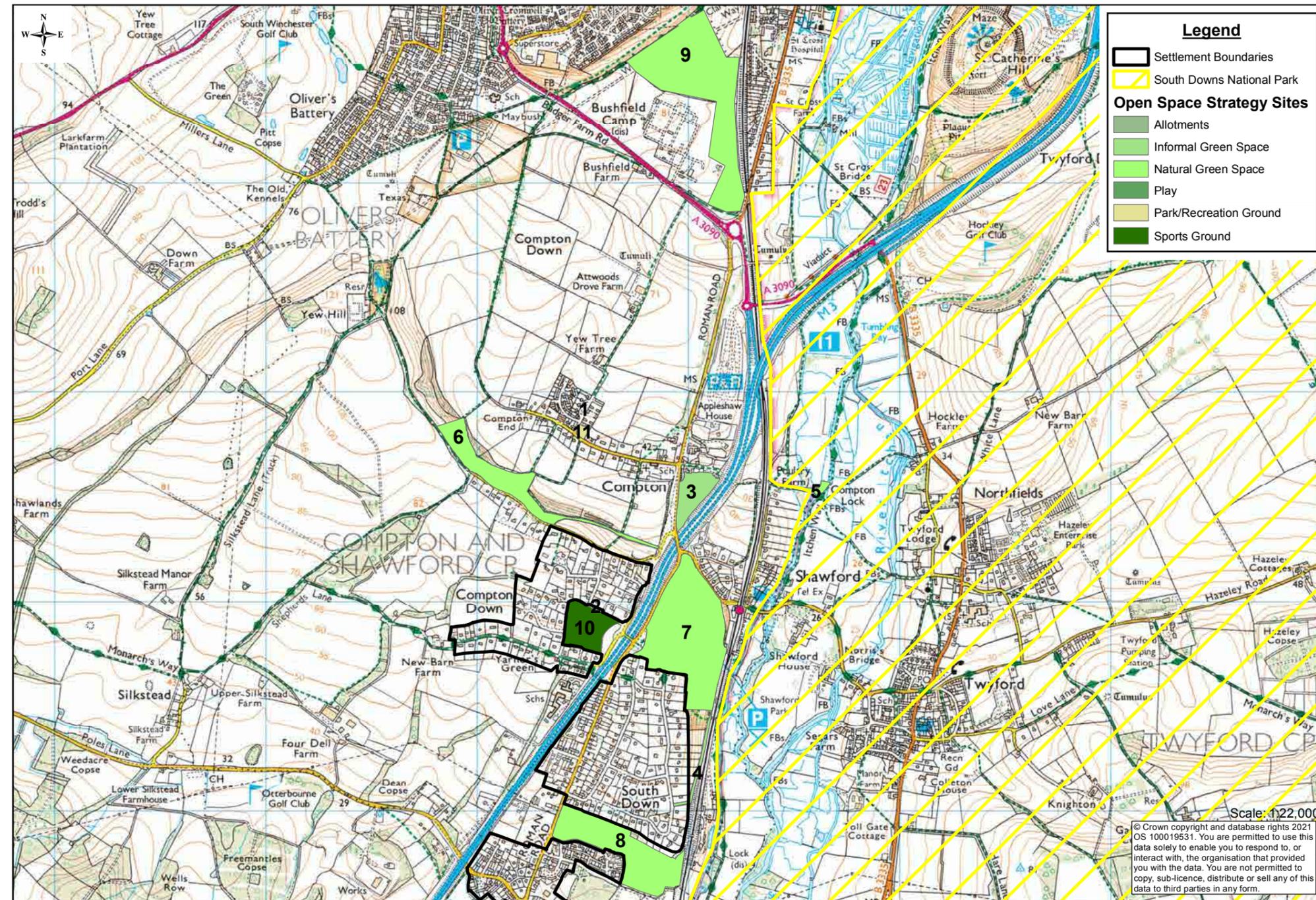
Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.35	0	-0.35
IGS - Informal Green Space	1.38	3.57	2.19
NGS - Natural Green Space	1.73	55.4	53.67
P - Play	0.86	0.08	-0.78
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	1.3	0.27	-1.03
SG - Sports Ground	1.3	3.97	2.67
<b>Total</b>	<b>6.92</b>	<b>63.29</b>	<b>56.37</b>

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

There are no allotments and a shortage of equipped play areas however the parish has a high quality sports facility at the Memorial Playing Field and a wealth of Natural Green Space sites nearby, most of which are designated as 'Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation' (SINC).



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# CRAWLEY

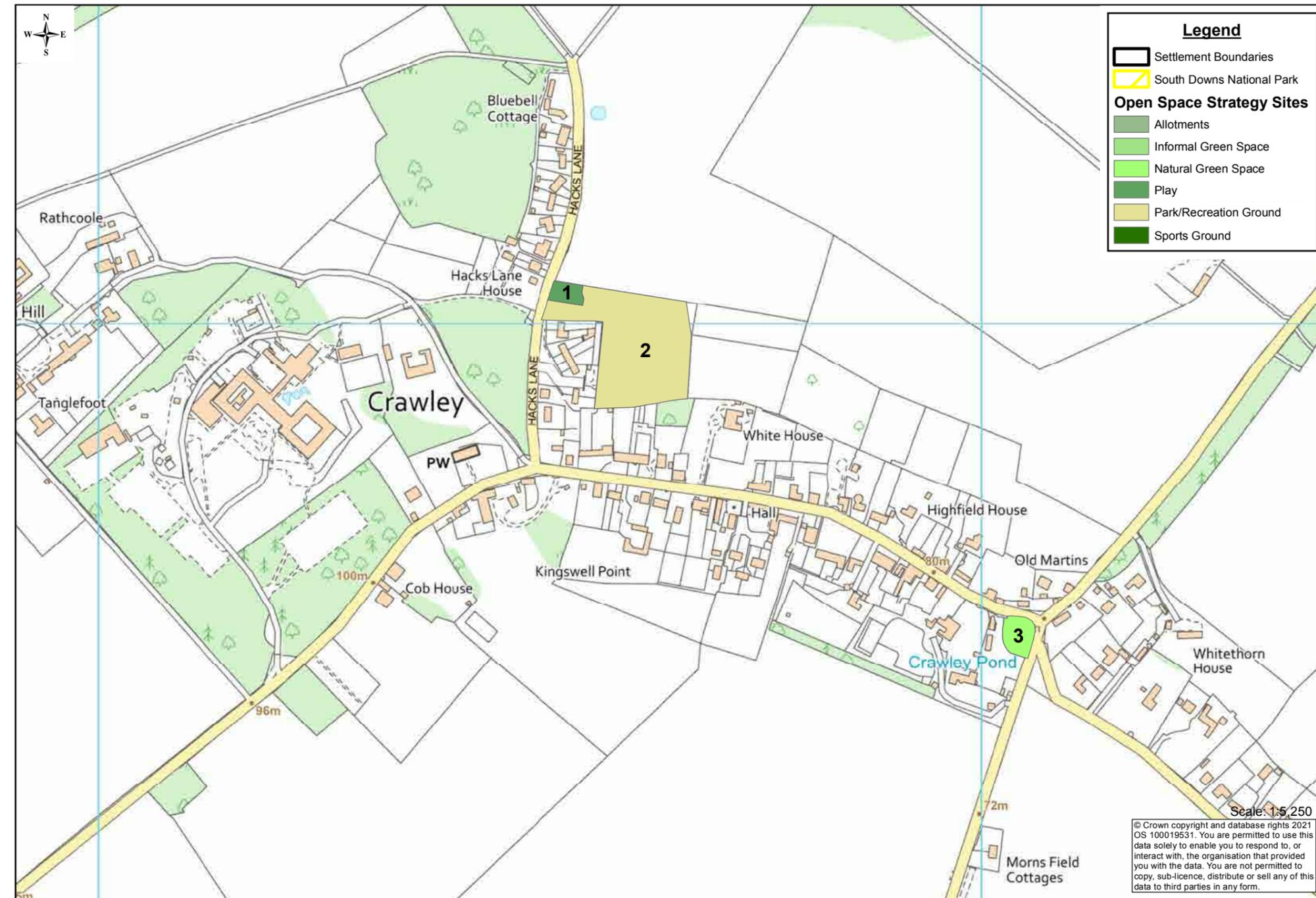
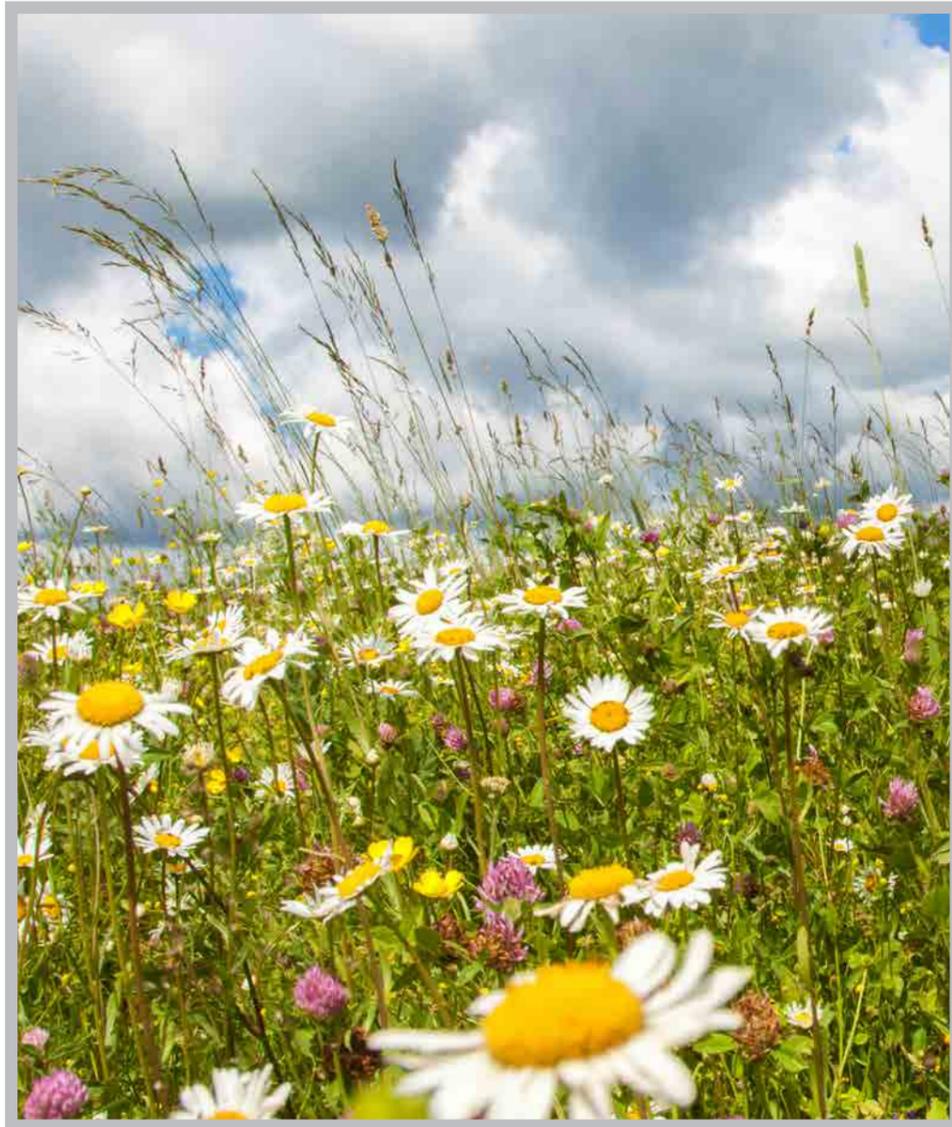
POPULATION - 411

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	P	Play Area	1,027	✓	✓	✓		
2	PRG	George Phillipi Memorial Sports Gd	15,404	✓	✓	✓		
3	NGS	Crawley Pond	1,404	✓	✓	✓		

Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.08	0	-0.08
IGS - Informal Green Space	0.33	0	-0.33
NGS - Natural Green Space	0.41	0.14	-0.27
P - Play	0.2	0.1	-0.10
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	0.31	1.54	1.23
SG - Sports Ground	0.31	0	-0.31
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.64</b>	<b>1.78</b>	<b>0.14</b>

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

A rural village with good access to open countryside but shortfalls in all categories of public open space except 'Parks and Recreation Grounds'. The George Phillipi Memorial Sports Ground accommodates a good cricket pitch and a reasonably good play area. There are opportunities to improve the play area.



# CURDRIDGE

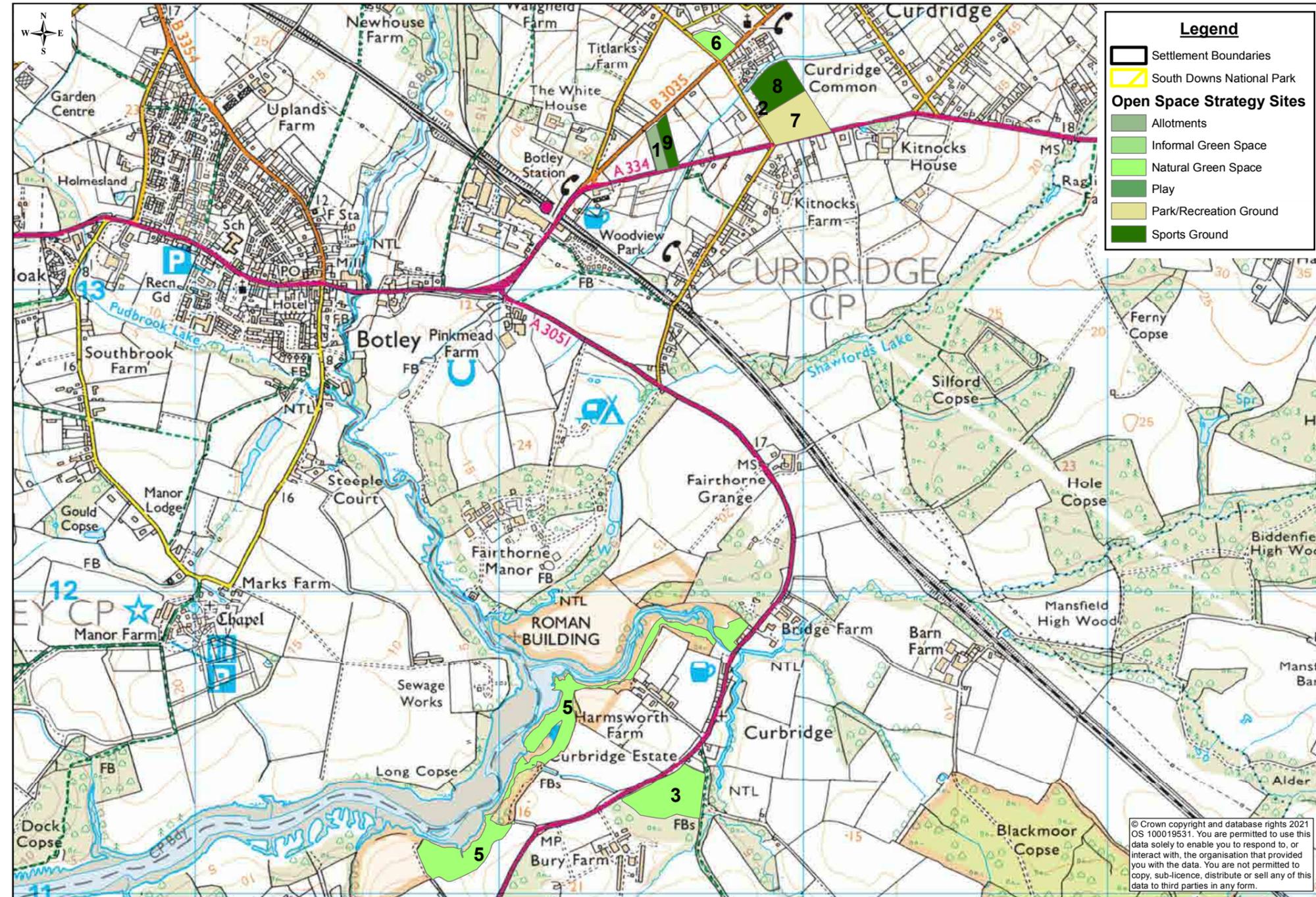
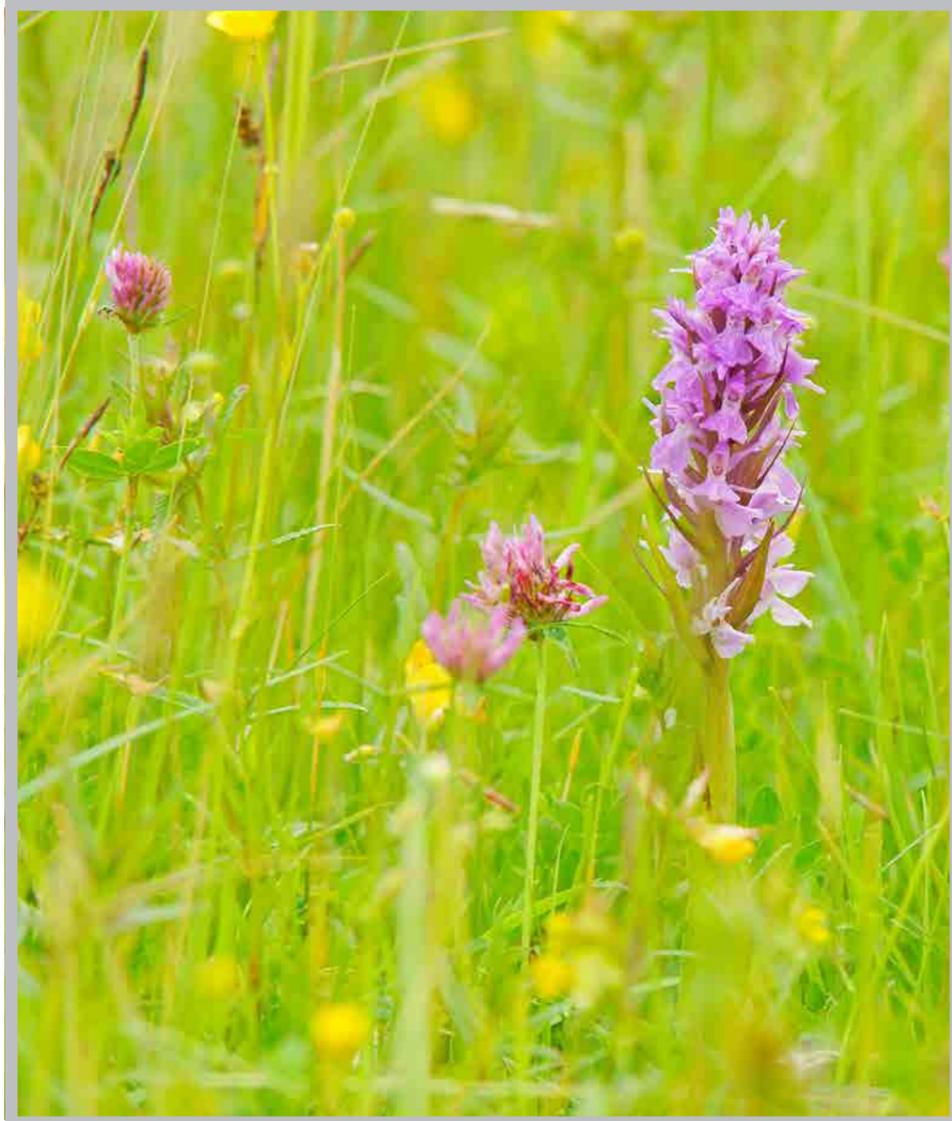
POPULATION - 1439

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access		Reason for Protection		
				amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage	
1	A	Botley Road Allotments	6,201	✓	✓	✓		
2	P	Reading Room Play Area	131	✓	✓	✓		
3	NGS	Suttons Copse	30,826	✓	✓	✓	✓	
4	NGS	Eyersdown Copse	58,734	✓	✓	✓	✓	
5	NGS	Curbridge Creek	53,865	✓	✓	✓	✓	
6	NGS	Glebe Field	7,555	✓	✓	✓	✓	
7	PRG	Skinner's Field	23,869	✓	✓	✓		
8	SG	Recreation Ground	17,727	✓	✓	✓		
9	SG	Allotment Recreation Ground	5,619	✓	✓	✓		

Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.29	0.62	0.33
IGS - Informal Green Space	1.15	0	-1.15
NGS - Natural Green Space	1.44	14.97	13.53
P - Play	0.72	0.01	-0.71
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	1.08	2.39	1.31
SG - Sports Ground	1.08	2.33	1.25
<b>Total</b>	<b>5.76</b>	<b>20.32</b>	<b>14.56</b>

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

Apart from a shortfall of Informal Green Space and equipped play areas the village has adequate quantities of all categories of open space with particularly good access to Natural Green Space.



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# DENMEAD

POPULATION - 6967

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	P	Ashling Park play areas	4,386	✓	✓	✓		
2	P	Hatchmore Road	516	✓	✓	✓		
3	P	Creech View play area	190	✓	✓	✓		
4	P	The Barn (Little Corner)	789	✓	✓	✓		
5	P	Mill Close	153	✓	✓	✓		
6	P	Creech Woods	2,171	✓	✓	✓		
7	P	Persimmon site	597	✓	✓	✓		
8	IGS	Bridge Green	4,488	✓	✓	✓		
9	IGS	Little Corner	383	✓	✓	✓		
10	IGS	Wayfarers Green	4,062	✓	✓	✓		
11	IGS	The Liberty	2,988	✓	✓	✓		
12	IGS	Creech View	1,542	✓	✓	✓		
13	IGS	Harvest Field	8,919	✓	✓	✓		
14	IGS	Hatchmore Road	2,044	✓	✓	✓		
15	IGS	The Old School	3,613	✓	✓	✓		
16	IGS	Bere Road open space	1,758	✓	✓	✓		
17	IGS	Chestnut Close	1,112	✓	✓	✓		
18	IGS	St George's Road	2,445	✓	✓	✓		
19	IGS	Persimmon Site	4,856	✓	✓	✓		
20	NGS	Goodman's Fields	54,324	✓	✓	✓	✓	
21	NGS	Harvest Field	4,705	✓	✓	✓	✓	
22	NGS	Persimmon site	29,503	✓	✓	✓	✓	
23	SG	Ashling Park sports	35,516	✓	✓	✓		
24	SG	Kidmore Field	6,345	✓	✓	✓		
25	PRG	Ashling Park	16,565	✓	✓	✓		

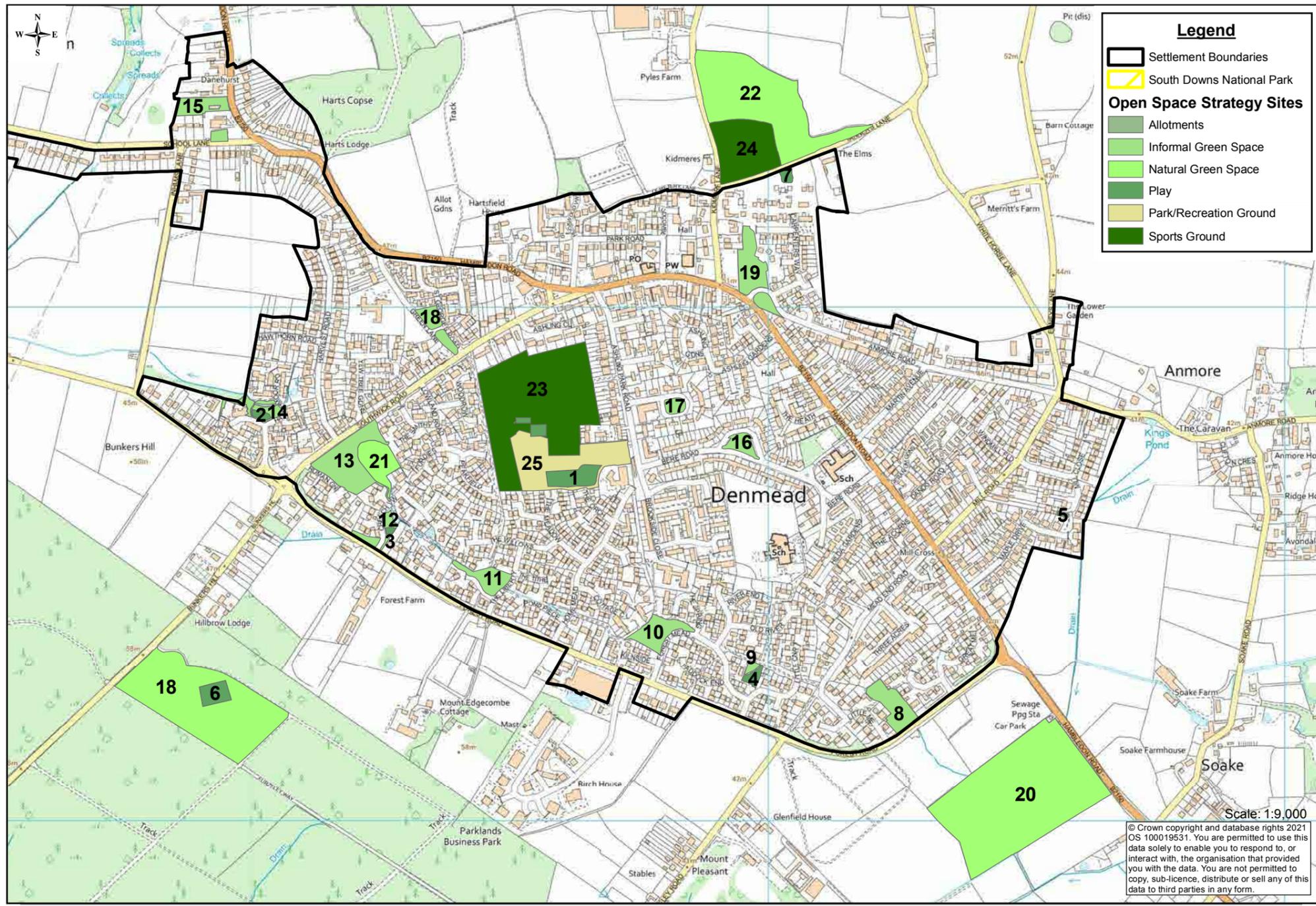
Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	1.39	0	-1.39
IGS - Informal Green Space	5.57	3.82	-1.75
NGS - Natural Green Space	6.97	8.85	1.88
P - Play	3.48	0.88	-2.60
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	5.2	1.66	-3.54
SG - Sports Ground	5.2	4.19	-1.01
<b>Total</b>	<b>27.81</b>	<b>19.4</b>	<b>-8.41</b>



Denmead

### NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

There are shortfalls of open space in every category apart from Natural Green Space. More land for play and sport, particularly football pitches is needed. Further improvements are needed in Ashling Park. There is a private allotment society but no publically accessible allotment site. Creech Woods are not publically accessible and have been removed from this assessment. Kidmore Field is partially inaccessible for parts of the year due to flooding and has been re-measured accordingly.



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# DURLEY

POPULATION - 1061

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	P	The Sawmills play area	496	✓	✓	✓		
2	P	The Recreation ground play area	304	✓	✓	✓		
3	IGS	The Sawmills	3,784	✓	✓	✓		
4	PRG	The Recreation Ground	15,081	✓	✓	✓		

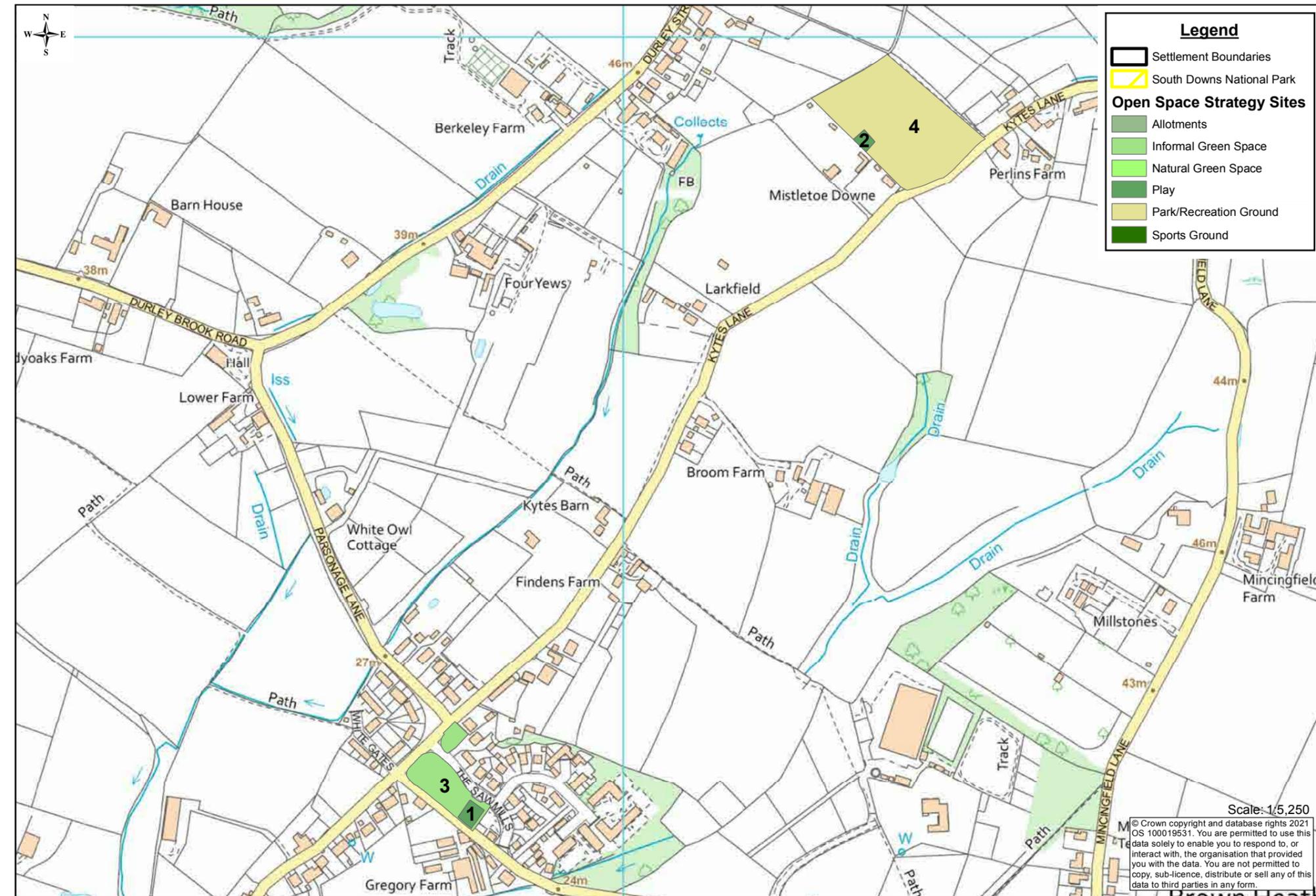
Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.21	0	-0.21
IGS - Informal Green Space	0.85	0.37	-0.48
NGS - Natural Green Space	1.06	0	-1.06
P - Play	0.53	0.08	-0.45
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	0.8	1.51	0.71
SG - Sports Ground	0.8	0	-0.80
<b>Total</b>	<b>4.25</b>	<b>1.96</b>	<b>-2.29</b>

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

A rural settlement with good access to open countryside however there are shortages of accessible public open space in all categories except 'Parks & Recreation Grounds'. The main recreation ground contains a football pitch, a pavilion, a MUGA and a play area. There is also a play area and village green at The Sawmills. Both play areas are due to be added to.



Durley



# HEADBOURNE WORTHY

POPULATION - 1072

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	A	Springvale Road	3,354	✓	✓	✓		
2	A	Kings Barton	10,000	✓	✓	✓		
3	P	Kings Barton	22,600	✓	✓	✓		
4	P	The Dell	360	✓	✓	✓		
5	IGS	Watercress open space	696	✓	✓	✓		
6	IGS	Kings Barton	58,000	✓	✓	✓		
7	IGS	The Dell	682	✓	✓	✓		
8	NGS	Kings Barton	57,000	✓	✓	✓	✓	
9	NGS	Barton Meadows	148,000	✓	✓	✓	✓	
10	PRG	Kings Barton	40,000	✓	✓	✓		
11	SG	Kings Barton	45,000	✓	✓	✓		

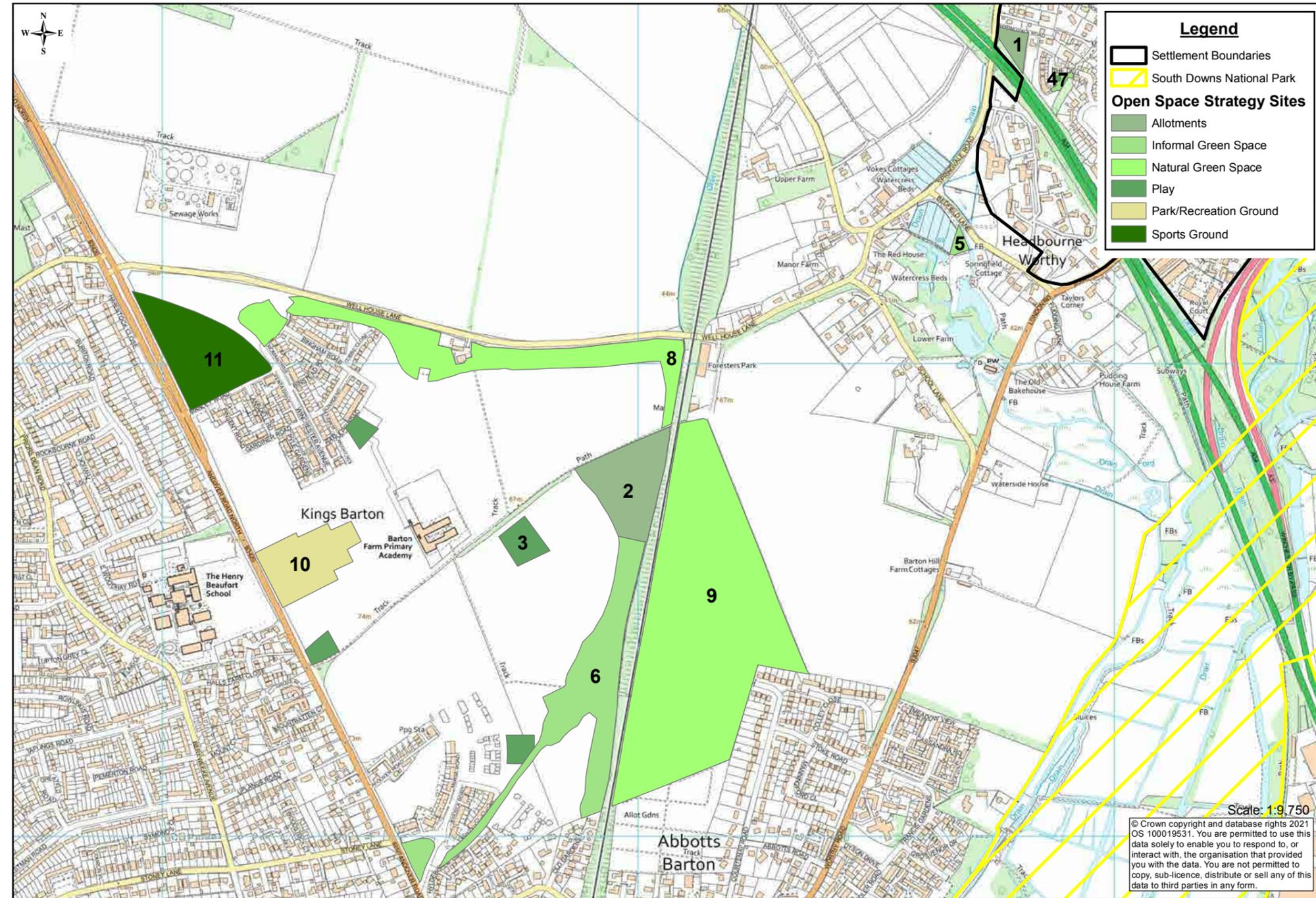
Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.21	1.3	1.09
IGS - Informal Green Space	0.86	5.94	5.08
NGS - Natural Green Space	1.1	20.5	19.40
P - Play	0.54	2.3	1.76
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	0.8	4	3.20
SG - Sports Ground	0.8	4.5	3.70
<b>Total</b>	<b>4.31</b>	<b>38.54</b>	<b>34.23</b>



Headbourne Worthy

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

The parish includes the 'Kings Barton' Strategic Housing Allocation which, at the time of writing, is still being built but will in time provide new public open space in all 6 categories. This assessment includes these spaces but not the anticipated final population of the MDA so will need to be re-adjusted in due course. Without Kings Barton the parish would have a deficit of public open space (-0.37 ha) but with Kings Barton there will be no shortfall, approximately +21 ha.



**Legend**

- Settlement Boundaries
- South Downs National Park
- Open Space Strategy Sites**
  - Allotments
  - Informal Green Space
  - Natural Green Space
  - Play
  - Park/Recreation Ground
  - Sports Ground

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# HURSLEY

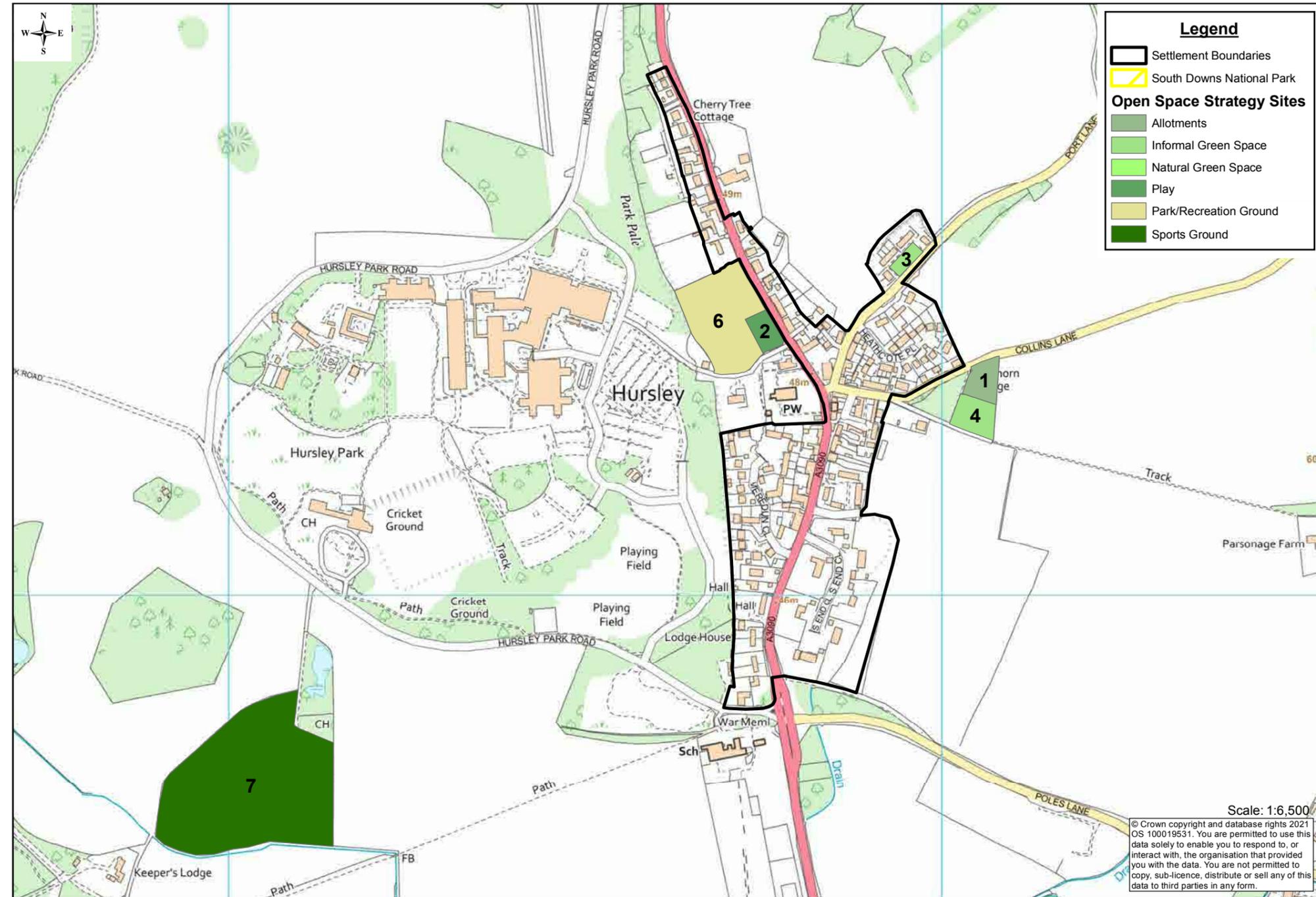
POPULATION - 949

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	A	Collins Lane Allotments	2,270	✓	✓	✓		
2	P	Hursley Recreation Ground play area	1,733	✓	✓	✓		
3	IGS	Keble Close green space	937	✓	✓	✓		
4	IGS	Hursley Cemetery	2,812	✓	✓	✓		
5	NGS	Farley Mount Country Park	258,940	✓	✓	✓	✓	
6	PRG	Hursley Recreation Ground	12,516	✓	✓	✓		
7	SG	Hursley Park Cricket pitch	40,761	✓		✓		

Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.19	0.23	0.04
IGS - Informal Green Space	0.76	0.37	-0.39
NGS - Natural Green Space	0.95	25.8	24.85
P - Play	0.47	0.17	-0.30
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	0.71	1.25	0.54
SG - Sports Ground	0.71	4.08	3.37
<b>Total</b>	<b>3.79</b>	<b>31.9</b>	<b>28.11</b>

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

A rural parish to the west of Winchester with good access to open countryside and Natural Green Space at Farley Mount. The play area at the main recreation ground is of good quality but is sub-standard for the size of the population and requires additional equipment to bring it up to NEAP standard.



# KINGS WORTHY

POPULATION - 4716

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	P	Tubbs Hall Junior Play Area	290	✓	✓	✓		
2	P	Fryers Close	440	✓	✓	✓		
3	P	Eversley Park play area	2,500	✓	✓	✓		
4	P	Church Green Play Area	250	✓	✓	✓		
5	IGS	Broadview	5,511	✓	✓	✓		
6	IGS	Willis Way	4,120	✓	✓	✓		
7	IGS	Tubbs Hall green	2,193	✓	✓	✓		
8	IGS	King Charles Green	1,712	✓	✓	✓		
9	IGS	Mountbatten Place	822	✓	✓	✓		
10	IGS	Firs Crescent	1,313	✓	✓	✓		
11	IGS	Vian Place	1,233	✓	✓	✓		
12	IGS	Castle Rise	3,824	✓	✓			
13	IGS	Edinburgh Road	1,450	✓	✓	✓		
14	IGS	West Field Road	780	✓	✓	✓		
15	IGS	Rear of St Mary's Chapel Hall	806	✓	✓	✓		
16	IGS	Fraser Road verges	2,145	✓	✓	✓		
17	IGS	land at Pound Road	840	✓	✓	✓		
18	IGS	Sommerfield Road	590	✓	✓	✓		
19	NGS	Hinton Fields	39,881	✓	✓	✓		
20	NGS	Kim Bishop Walk	8,182	✓	✓	✓	✓	
21	NGS	Topfield	47,000	✓	✓	✓	✓	
22	PRG	Church Green	7,000	✓	✓	✓		
23	PRG	Eversley Park	21,559	✓	✓	✓		
24	SG	Eversley Park	13,800	✓	✓	✓		
25	SG	Hinton Sports Ground	4,881	✓	✓	✓		

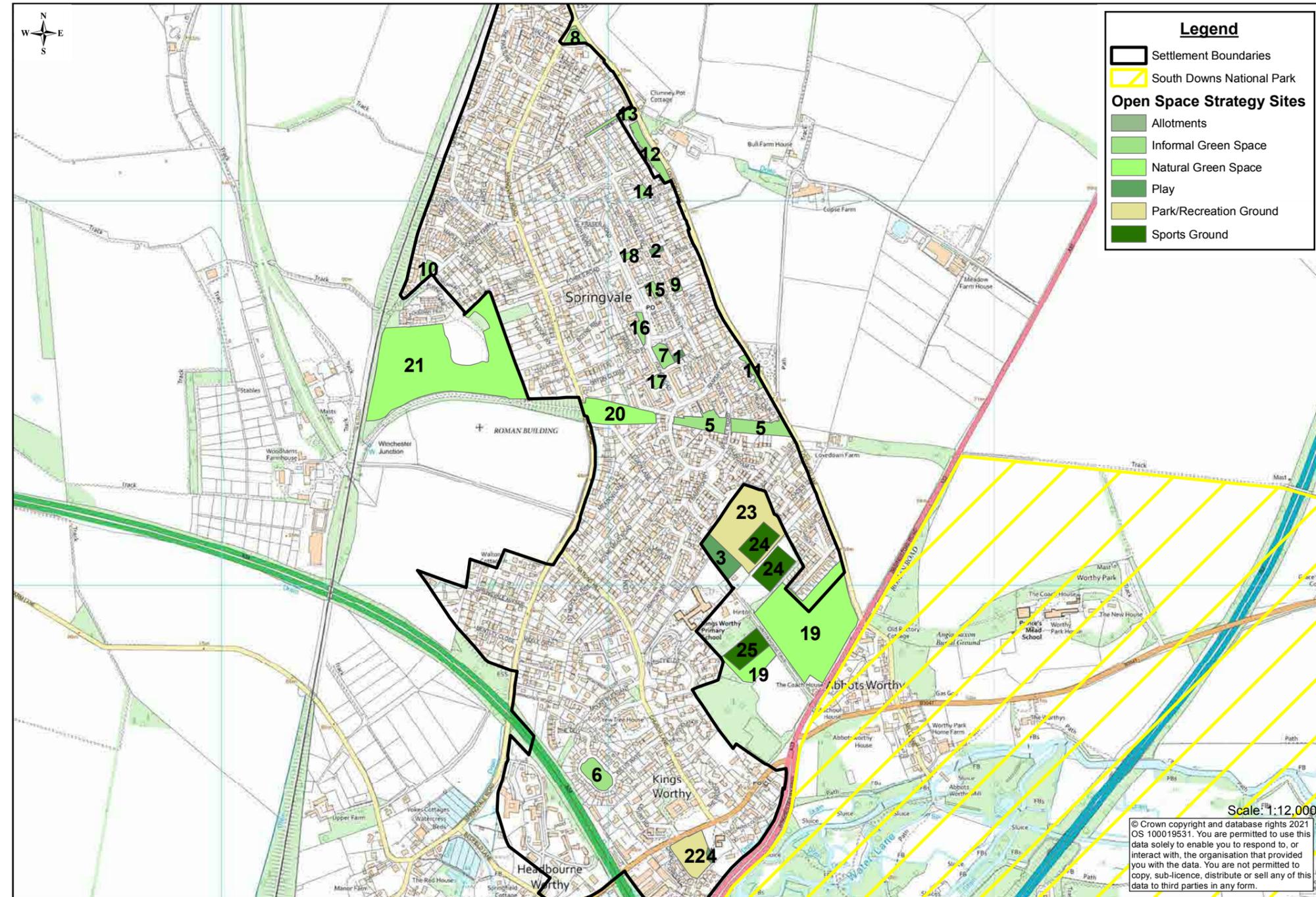
Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.94	0	-0.94
IGS - Informal Green Space	3.77	6.72	2.95
NGS - Natural Green Space	4.72	5.52	0.80
P - Play	2.36	0.35	-2.01
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	3.58	2.85	-0.73
SG - Sports Ground	3.58	1.38	-2.20
<b>Total</b>	<b>18.95</b>	<b>16.82</b>	<b>-2.13</b>



Kings Worthy

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

The addition of Hinton Field as part of the Lovedon Lane housing allocation and the creation of accessible public open space as part of the additional housing development at Topfield will increase the amount of accessible open space to the point where the previous deficit of over 7 ha will be considerably reduced, however there continues to be a shortfall in many other categories of open space.



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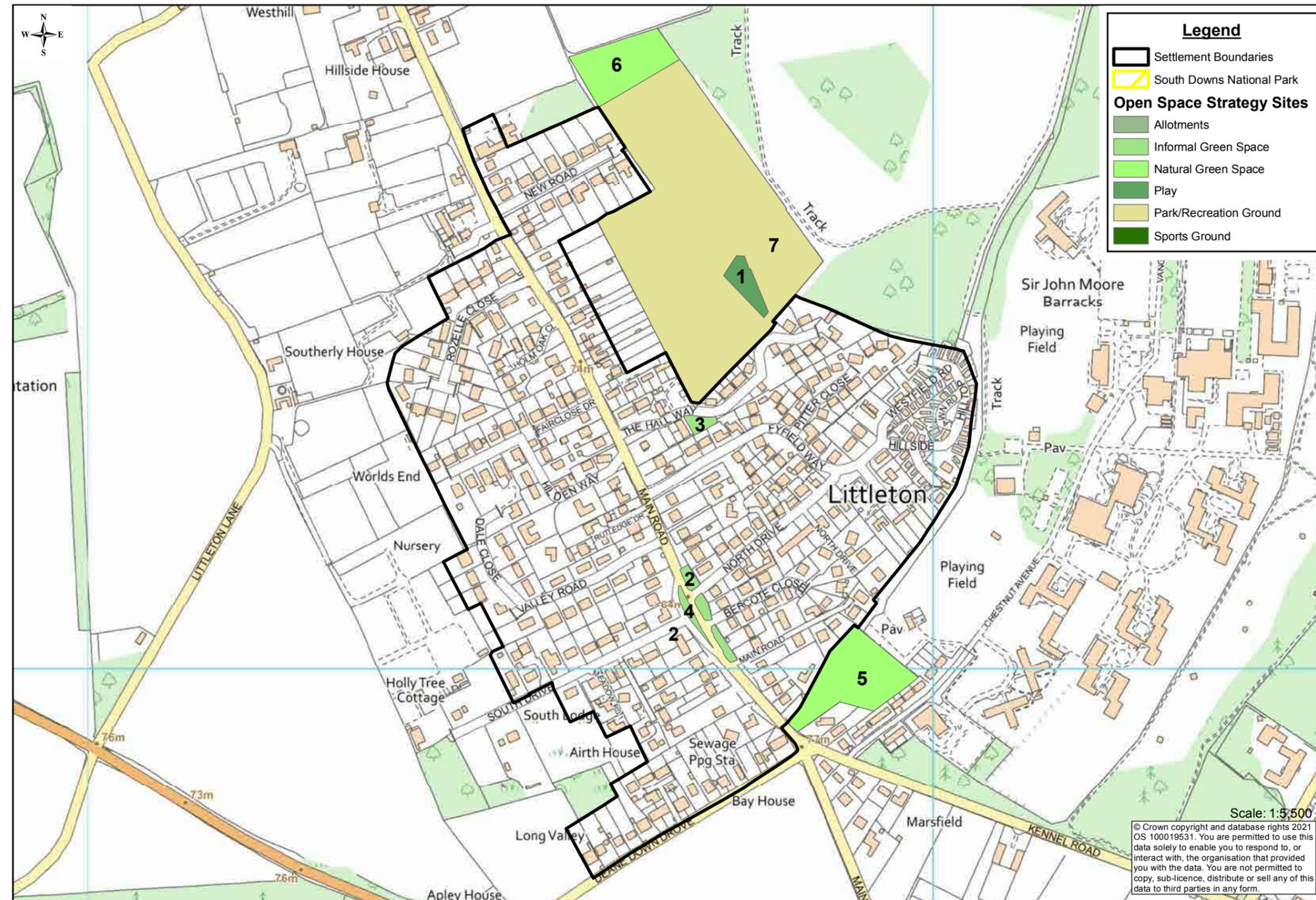
POPULATION - 900

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access		Reason for Protection			
				amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage		
1	P	Recreation Ground play area	2,260	✓	✓	✓			
2	IGS	Littleton Pond	381	✓	✓	✓			
3	IGS	The Hall Way	543	✓	✓	✓			
4	IGS	Main Road	1,200	✓	✓				
5	NGS	Flowerdown Barrow	6,980	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
6	NGS	Conservation Field	6,301	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
7	PRG	Recreation Ground	57,620	✓	✓	✓			

Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.18	0	-0.18
IGS - Informal Green Space	0.72	0.18	-0.54
NGS - Natural Green Space	0.9	1.33	0.43
P - Play	0.45	0.23	-0.22
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	0.67	5.76	5.09
SG - Sports Ground	0.67	0	-0.67
<b>Total</b>	<b>3.59</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>3.91</b>

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

The main Littleton recreation ground, one of the best in the district, provides sports and play facilities which serve a wider catchment than just the village. However, there continue to be shortfalls in most other categories of open space according to the Local Plan standard. Any future re-development of the Sir John Moore Barracks will need to provide sufficient open space such that these deficiencies are not exacerbated.



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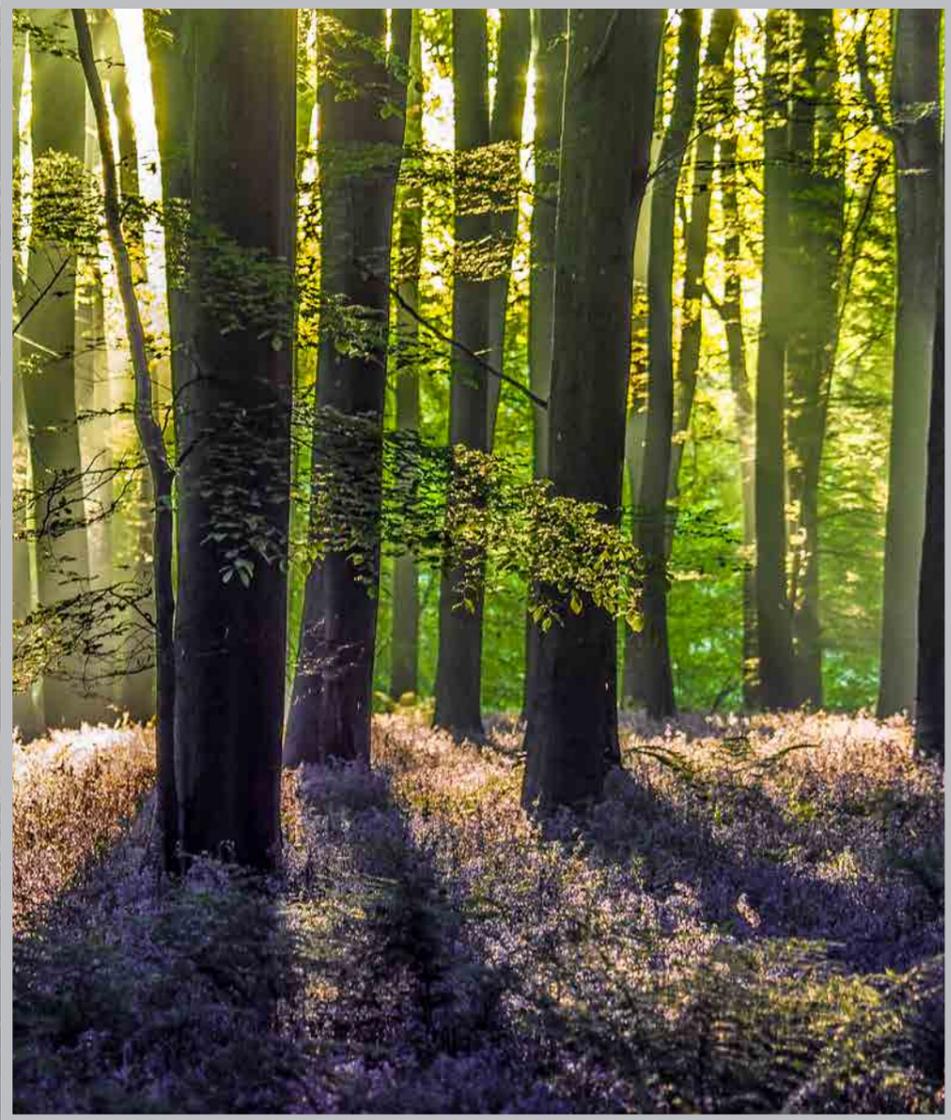
POPULATION - 1511

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	A	Duke Street Allotments	5,394	✓	✓	✓		
2	P	Lord Rank Playing Field play area	513	✓	✓	✓		
3	P	Warren Playing Field play area	280	✓	✓	✓		
4	IGS	Brunel Close	1,511	✓	✓	✓		
5	IGS	Barron Close	2,168	✓	✓	✓		
6	IGS	St Mary's Church Yard	3,810	✓	✓	✓		
7	PRG	Lord Rank Playing Field	16,967	✓	✓	✓		
8	PRG	Warren Playing Field	18,551	✓	✓	✓		

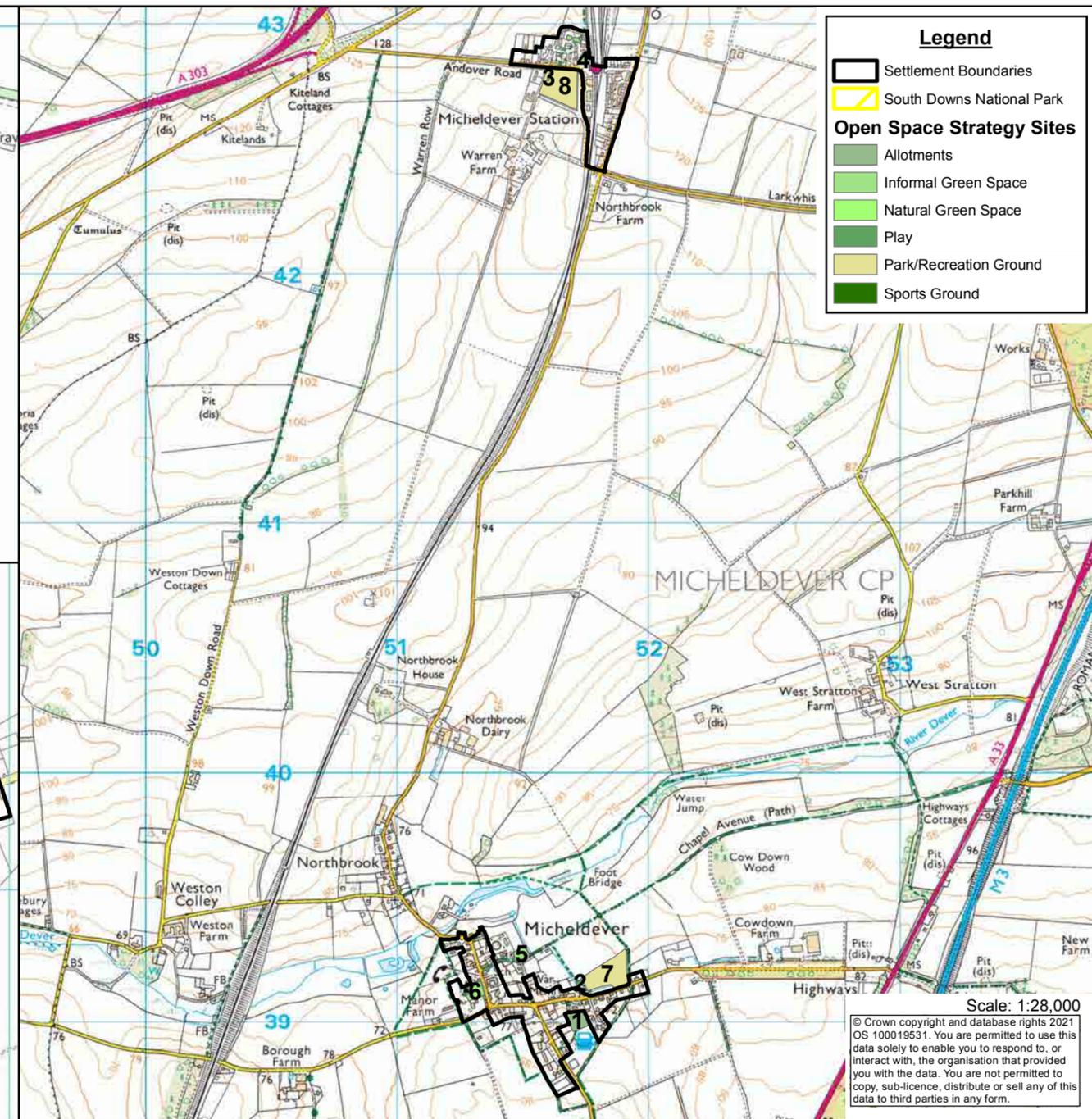
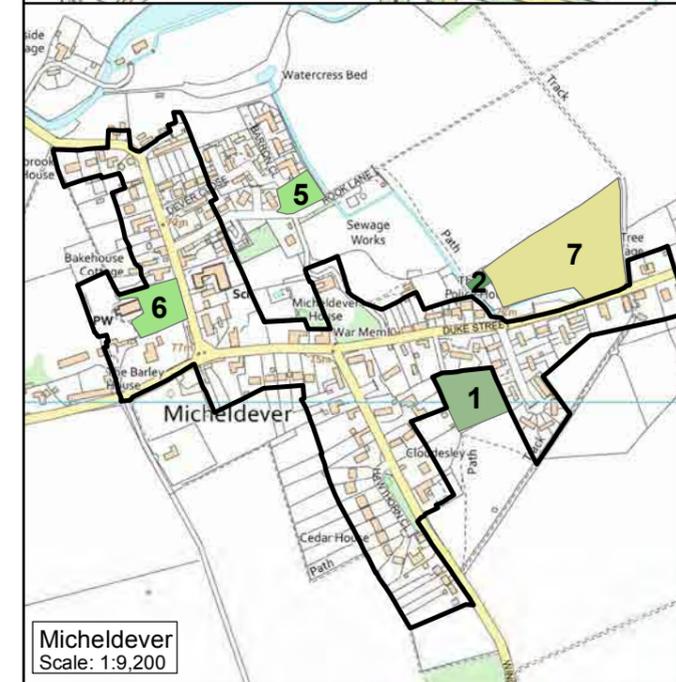
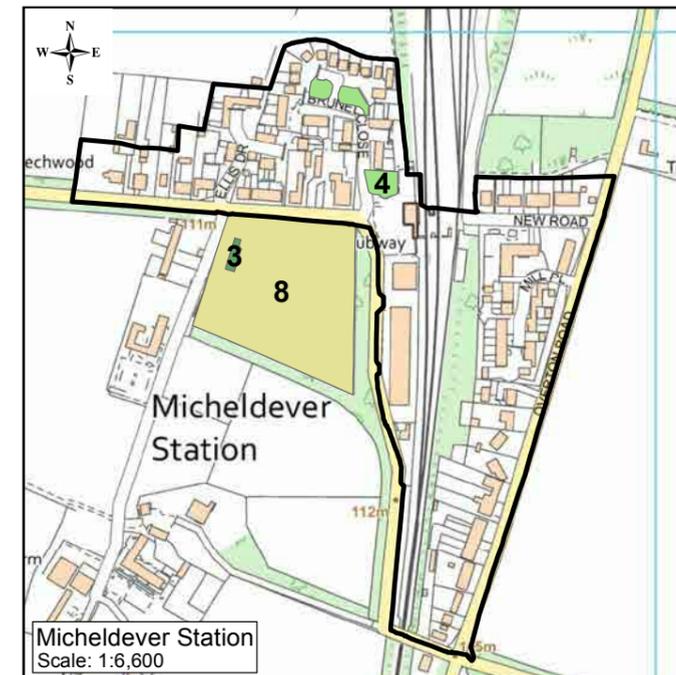
Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.3	0.54	0.24
IGS - Informal Green Space	1.21	0.75	-0.46
NGS - Natural Green Space	1.51	0	-1.51
P - Play	0.76	0.08	-0.68
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	1.13	3.55	2.42
SG - Sports Ground	1.13	0	-1.13
<b>Total</b>	<b>6.04</b>	<b>4.92</b>	<b>-1.12</b>

### NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

A rural parish with good access to open countryside including accessible open space at Black Wood and Micheldever Wood. However there are shortfalls in other categories of public open space and both recreation grounds have pavilions that need re-building, re-refurbishment or replacement. Sports grounds are included under Recreation Grounds.



Micheldever Woods



**Legend**

- Settlement Boundaries
- South Downs National Park
- Open Space Strategy Sites**
  - Allotments
  - Informal Green Space
  - Natural Green Space
  - Play
  - Park/Recreation Ground
  - Sports Ground

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# NEW ALRESFORD

POPULATION - 5501

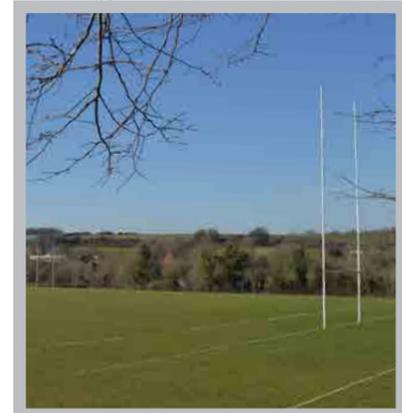
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					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	A	Spring Gardens Allotment	7,238	✓	✓	✓		
2	P	Arlebury Park play areas	4,622	✓	✓	✓		
3	P	Stratton Bates play area	1,509	✓	✓	✓		
4	P	Sun Hill play area	1,419	✓	✓	✓		
5	IGS	Appledown Close	1,602	✓	✓	✓		
6	IGS	Orchard Close	1,695	✓	✓	✓		
7	IGS	Lindley Gardens	1,193	✓	✓	✓		
8	IGS	Benenden Green	4,510	✓	✓	✓		
9	IGS	The Avenue	10,854	✓	✓	✓		
10	IGS	Mitford Road roundabout	1,158	✓	✓	✓		
11	IGS	Oak Hill open space	310	✓	✓	✓		
12	IGS	Off Hasted Drive	226	✓	✓	✓		
13	IGS	Fairview	1,782	✓	✓	✓		
14	IGS	Brill Close	327	✓	✓	✓		
15	IGS	Lovell's Walk	277	✓	✓	✓		
16	IGS	Makin's Court	1,465	✓	✓	✓		
17	IGS	Chestnut Walk	2,117	✓	✓	✓		
18	IGS	Nursery Road	352	✓	✓	✓		
19	IGS	Ash Walk	444	✓	✓	✓		
20	IGS	Sun Lane	1,265	✓	✓	✓		
21	IGS	Nicholson Place	453	✓	✓	✓		
22	IGS	Meryon Road	1,111	✓	✓	✓		
23	IGS	Carpenters	450	✓	✓	✓		
24	PRG	Memorial Gardens	1,926	✓	✓	✓		
25	PRG	Stratton Bates Recreation Ground	23,794	✓	✓	✓		
26	PRG	Arlebury Park	12,422	✓	✓	✓		
27	PRG	Sun Hill Recreation Ground	10,660	✓	✓	✓		

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
28	SG	Arlebury Park Rugby pitches	30,569	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
29	SG	Arlebury Park sports grounds	24,776	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

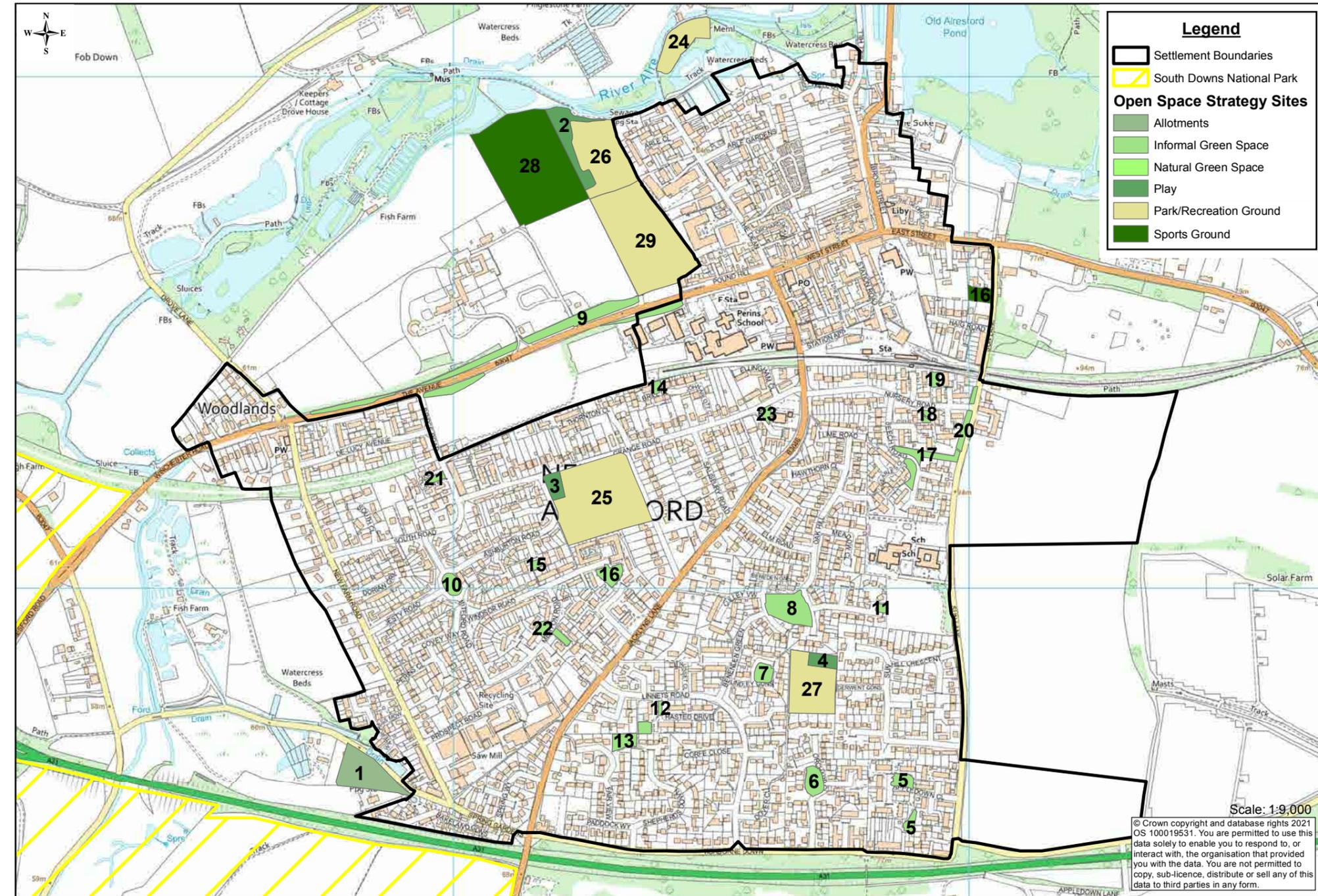
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CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	1.1	0.69	-0.41
IGS - Informal Green Space	4.4	3.17	-1.23
NGS - Natural Green Space	5.5	0	-5.50
P - Play	2.75	0.76	-1.99
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	4.13	4.88	0.75
SG - Sports Ground	4.13	5.53	1.40
<b>Total</b>	<b>22.01</b>	<b>15.03</b>	<b>-6.98</b>

### NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

The town is surrounded by accessible countryside and has good sports facilities at Arlebury Park. There is nevertheless a shortfall of public open space in the town when assessed against the WCC Local Plan standard. It is intended that the proposed housing allocation to the east of Sun Lane will provide substantial areas of public open space in order to ensure open space deficiencies are not exacerbated as the town grows.



Arlebury Park Recreation Ground



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# NEWLANDS

POPULATION - 2282

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	P	Newlands Walk play area	564	✓	✓	✓		
2	IGS	Radnor Way / Angus Way open space	17,491	✓	✓	✓		
3	IGS	Darnel Crescent	1,310	✓	✓	✓		
4	IGS	Baler Lane	829	✓	✓	✓		
5	IGS	Harrow Way	487	✓	✓	✓		
6	IGS	Hereford Park	2,525	✓	✓	✓		
7	IGS	Landrace Square	213	✓	✓	✓		
8	IGS	Chillingham Square	693	✓	✓	✓		
9	NGS	Newlands Walk	134,370	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

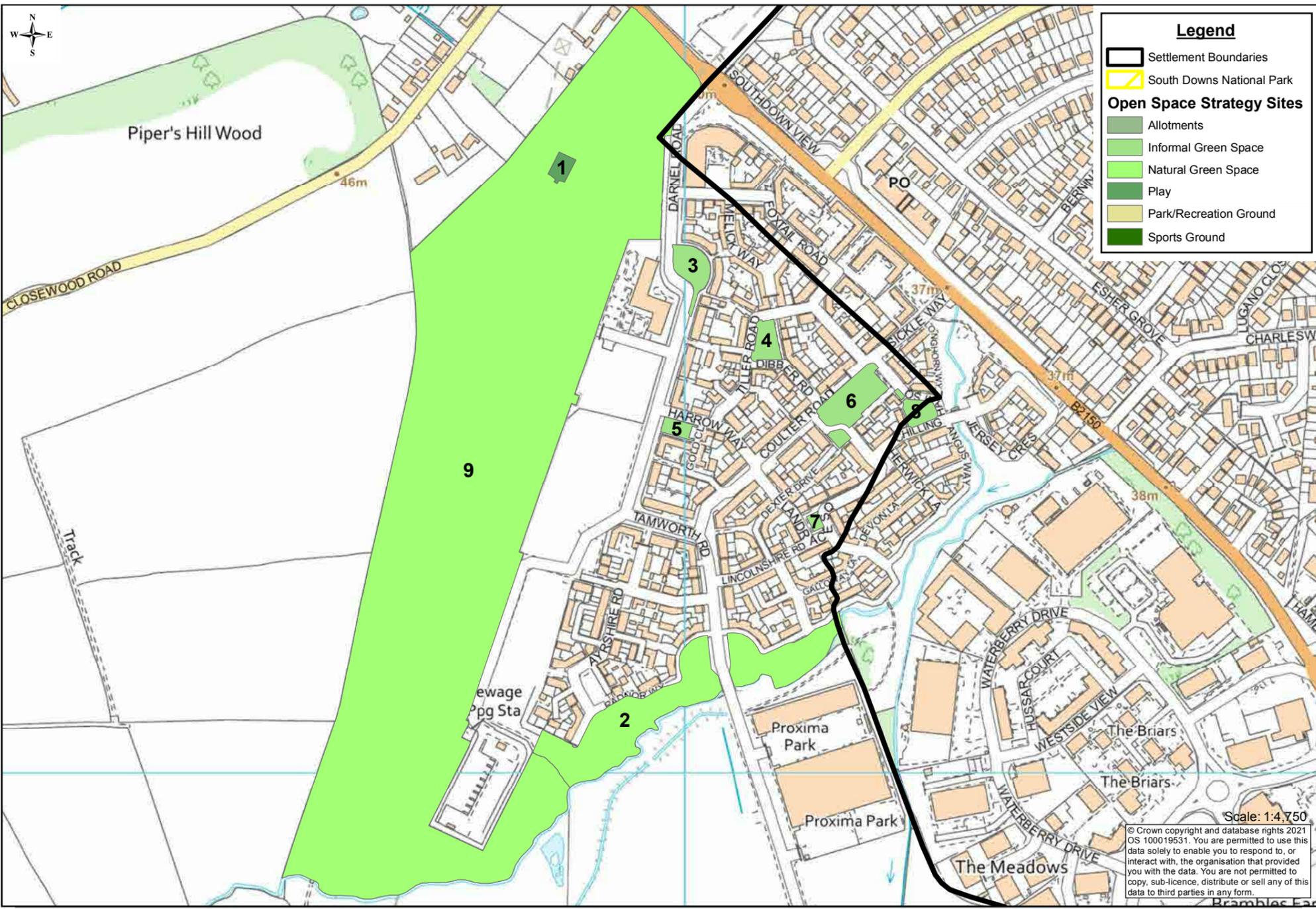
Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.45	0	-0.45
IGS - Informal Green Space	1.82	2.35	0.53
NGS - Natural Green Space	2.28	13.44	11.16
P - Play	1.14	0.06	-1.08
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	1.71	0	-1.71
SG - Sports Ground	1.71	0	-1.71
<b>Total</b>	<b>9.11</b>	<b>15.85</b>	<b>6.74</b>



Newlands - Baler Lane

### NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

A newly formed parish which includes areas which were formerly within the Denmead and Southwick and Widly parishes and which now encompasses the parts of the West of Waterlooville major development area (MDA) within the Winchester District. Open space facilities on the 'Wellington Park' site were the first open space facilities to become available and are listed here for the first time. The open spaces on the neighbouring Berewood site are still under construction at the time of writing but will in due course become available. All open space facilities will be transferred to Newlands Parish Council when completed.



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# NORTHINGTON

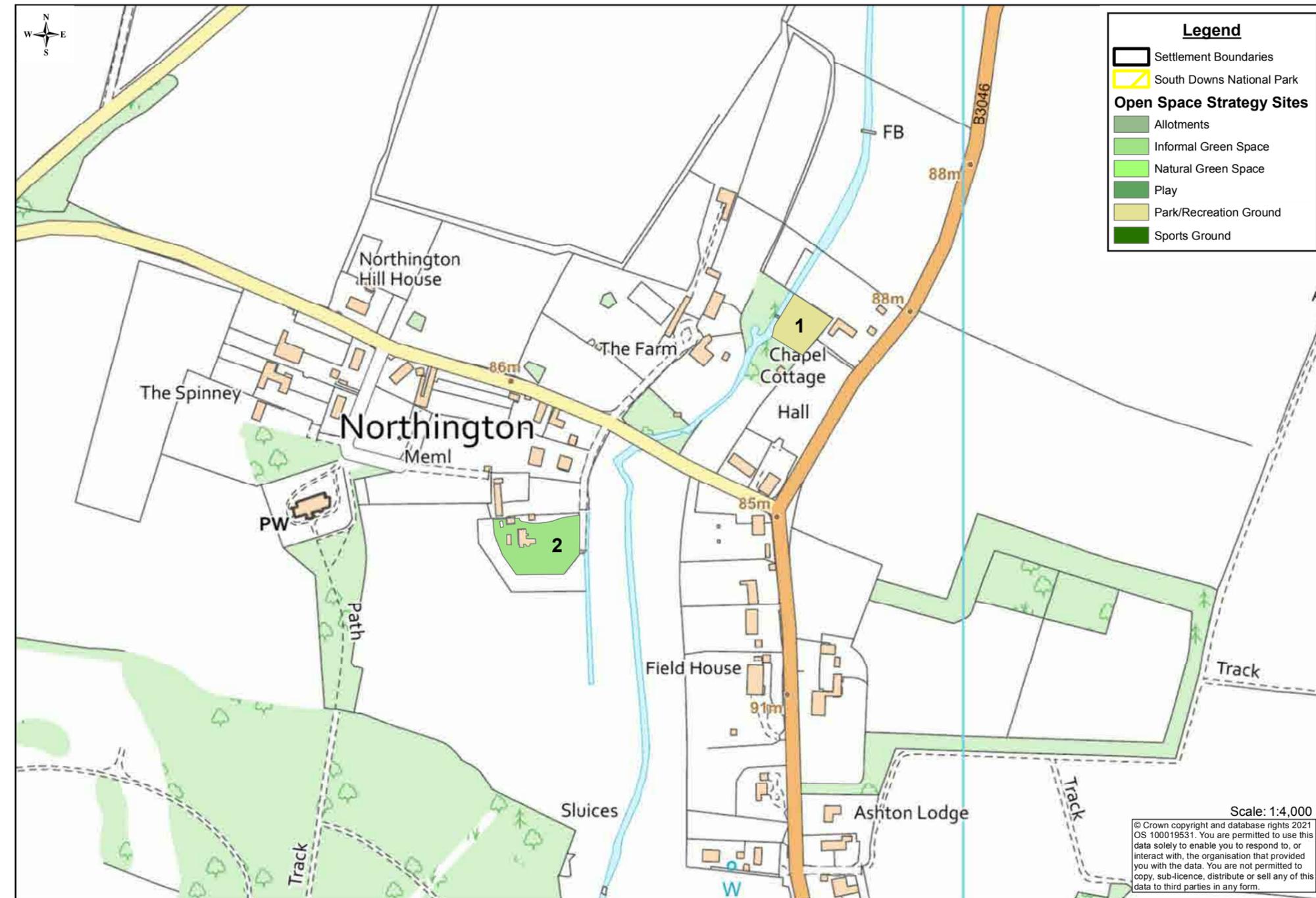
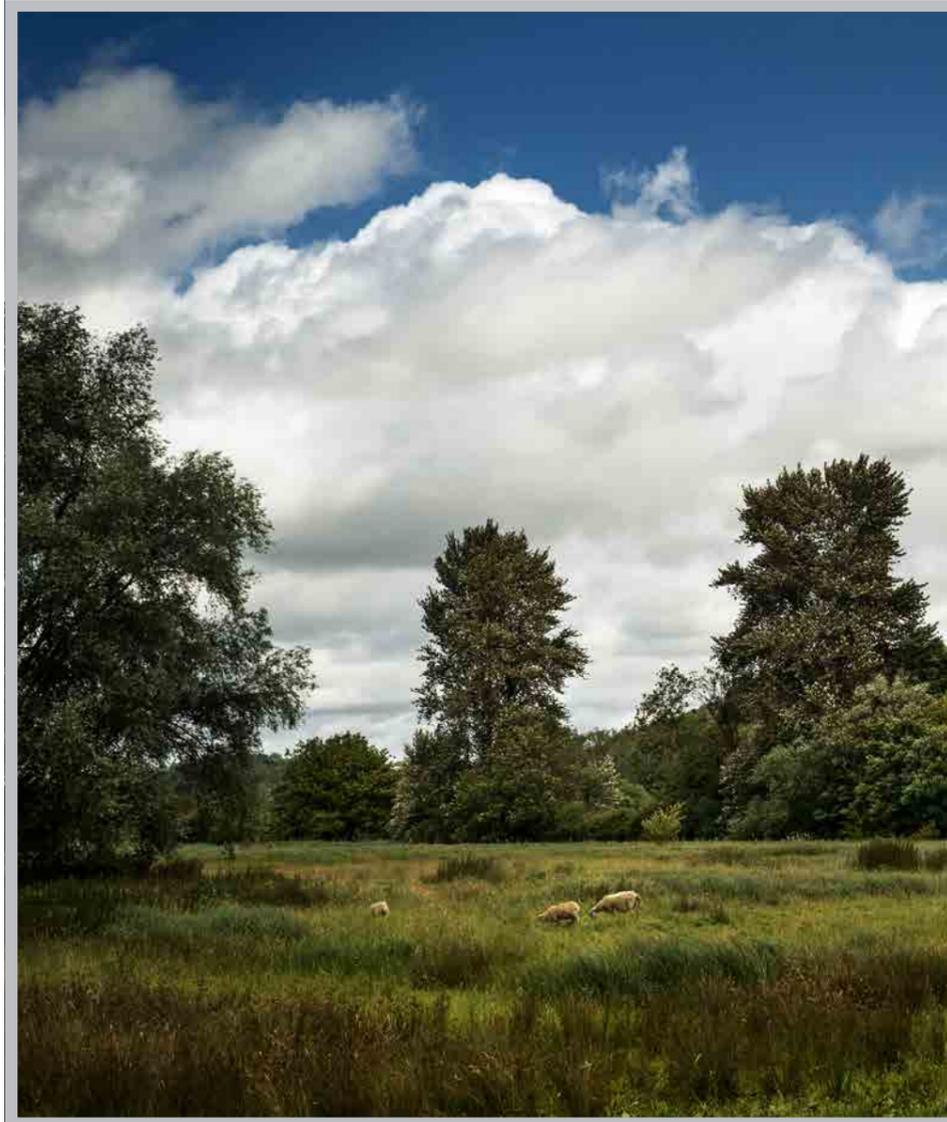
POPULATION - 228

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	IGS	Village Hall Field	1,512	✓	✓	✓		
2	IGS	Northington Church Yard	2,871	✓	✓	✓		

Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.05	0	-0.05
IGS - Informal Green Space	0.18	0.44	0.26
NGS - Natural Green Space	0.23	0	-0.23
P - Play	0.11	0	-0.11
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	0.17	0	-0.17
SG - Sports Ground	0.17	0	-0.17
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.91</b>	<b>0.44</b>	<b>-0.47</b>

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

A rural parish with good access to open countryside but shortfalls in most categories of public open space including play areas and sports grounds. The village has looked to Alresford for more formal recreation provision. There is an opportunity to accommodate a children's play area at the Village Hall Field.



# OLD ALRESFORD

POPULATION - 582

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m²)	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	P	Village Green	690	✓	✓	✓		
2	P	Kiln Lane	880	✓	✓	✓		
3	IGS	Village Green	7,729	✓	✓	✓		
4	IGS	Kiln Lane	709	✓	✓	✓		
5	SG	Bighton Lane Cricket Ground	10,046	✓	✓	✓		

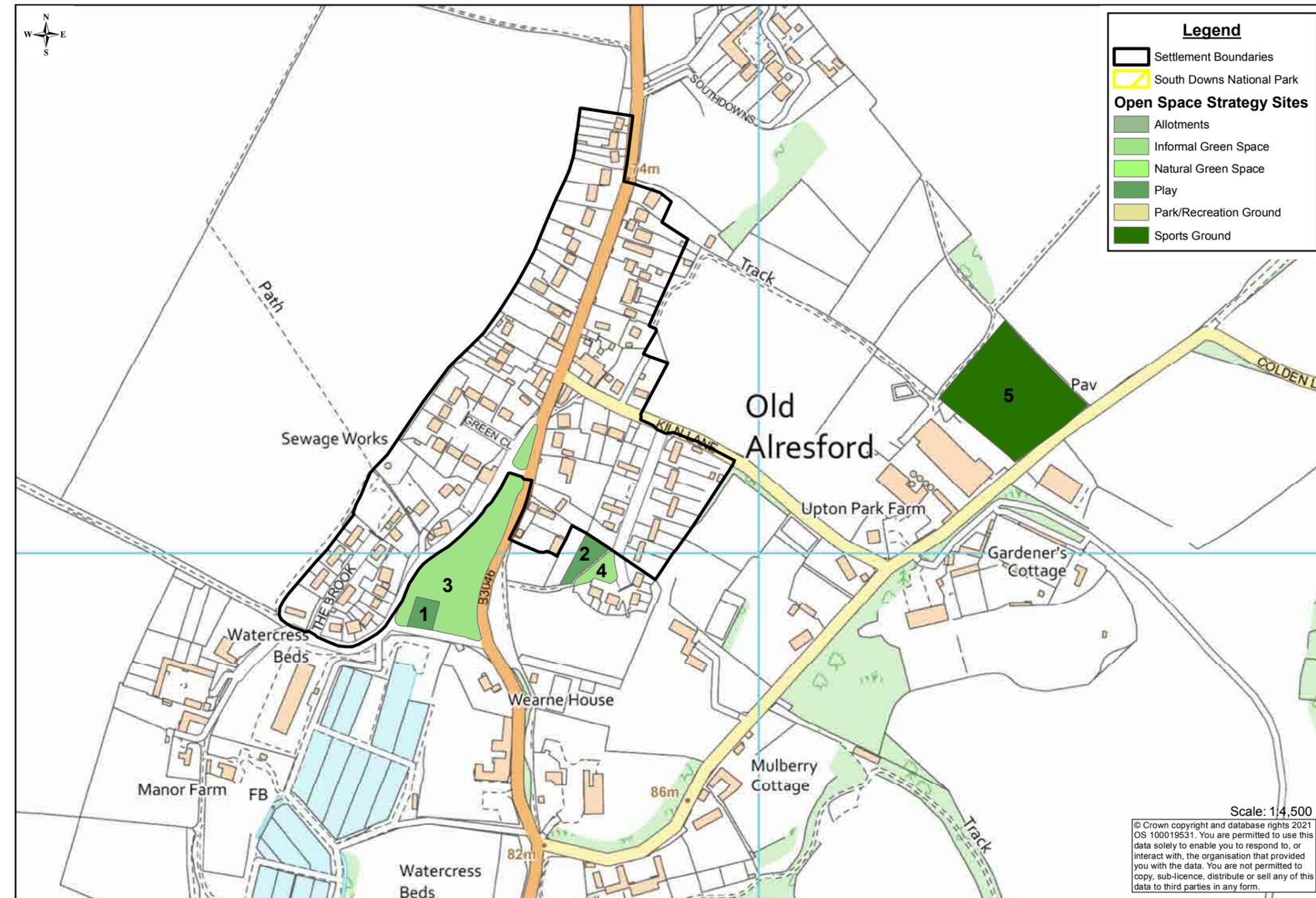
Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.12	0	-0.12
IGS - Informal Green Space	0.47	0.84	0.37
NGS - Natural Green Space	0.58	0	-0.58
P - Play	0.29	0.18	-0.11
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	0.44	0	-0.44
SG - Sports Ground	0.44	1	0.56
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.34</b>	<b>2.02</b>	<b>-0.32</b>

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

The village enjoys good access to open countryside but needs an upgrade to its children's play equipment. The cricket ground meets the needs of the village and is made available to the village cricket club by the landowner. The pavilion is also used by Perin's School but requires improvements.



Weir House, once the home of a local benefactor, Sir Francis Lindley. The Memorial Garden is a lovely site and often used for family picnics.



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# OTTERBOURNE

POPULATION - 1529

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	A	Otterbourne Hill Allotments	11,832	✓	✓	✓		
2	P	Oakwood park play area	285	✓	✓	✓		
3	P	Oakwood park youth area	281	✓	✓	✓		
4	IGS	Bourne Close	942	✓	✓			
5	IGS	Cranbury Close	1,831	✓	✓	✓		
6	IGS	Coles Mede	884		✓			
7	IGS	Cranbourne Drive	5,558	✓	✓	✓		
8	NGS	Oakwood Copse	37,743	✓	✓	✓		
9	NGS	Greenacres Drive	11,925	✓	✓	✓		
10	NGS	Otterbourne Park Wood	259,481	✓	✓	✓		
11	PRG	Oakwood Park	26,595	✓	✓	✓		
12	SG	Southern Water Cricket Ground	27,300	✓	✓	✓		
13	SG	Elderfield Junior Cricket Pitch	24,422		✓	✓		

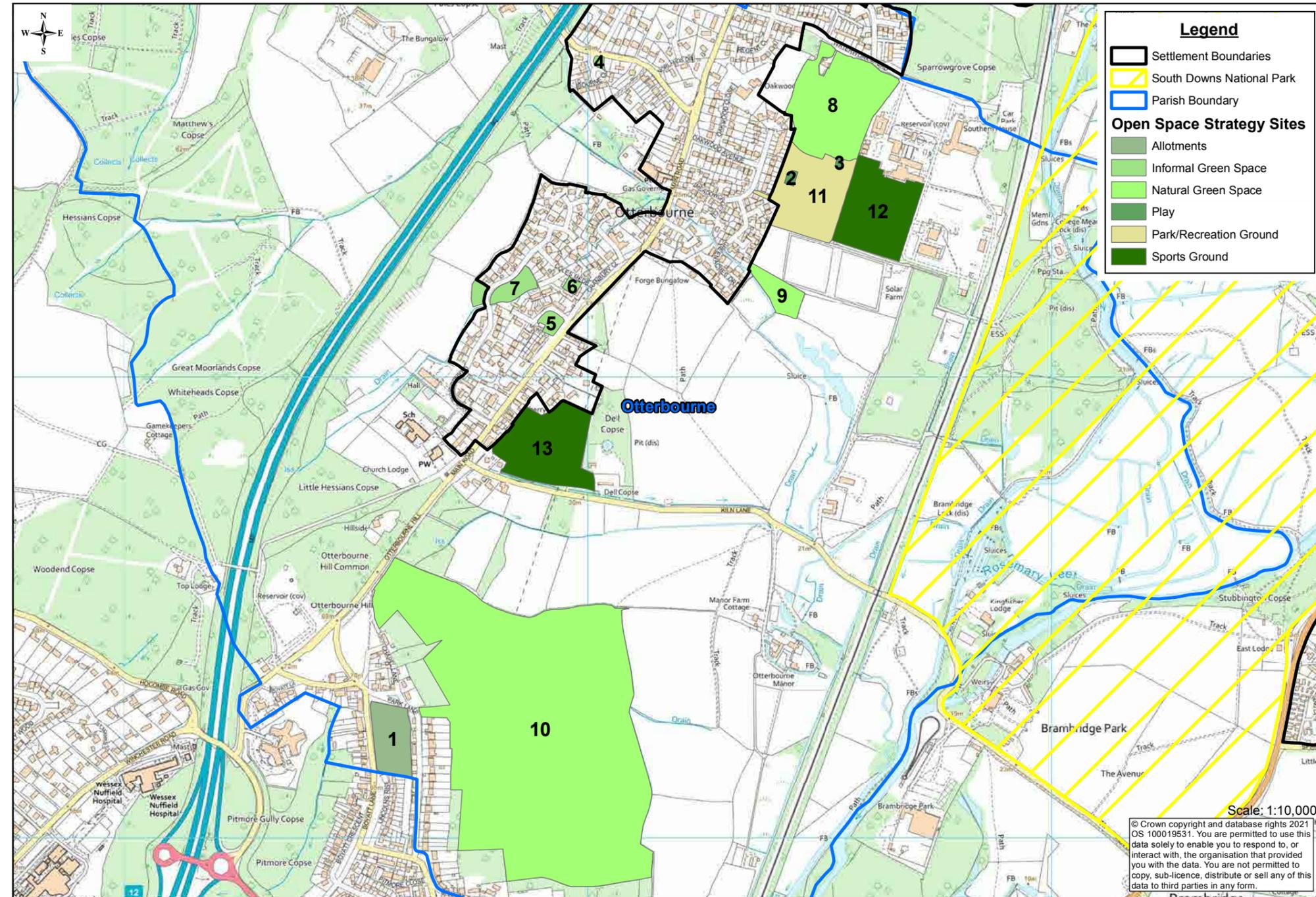
Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.31	1.18	0.87
IGS - Informal Green Space	1.22	0.92	-0.30
NGS - Natural Green Space	1.53	30.91	29.38
P - Play	0.76	0.06	-0.70
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	1.07	2.66	1.59
SG - Sports Ground	1.07	2.73	1.66
<b>Total</b>	<b>5.96</b>	<b>38.46</b>	<b>32.50</b>



Otterbourne wood

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

The recent housing allocations are providing new areas of open space, such that previous deficiencies in accessible open space within the settlement boundary are, for the time being, overcome. Any future housing development should however include adequate amounts of open space infrastructure to ensure that open space provision keeps pace with housing development.



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# SHEDFIELD

POPULATION - 4254

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	A	Shirrell Heath Allotments	9,241	✓	✓	✓		
2	P	Meon Green, Waltham Chase,	100	✓	✓	✓		
3	P	Hornbeam Road, Waltham Chase	600	✓	✓	✓		
4	P	Shedfield Rec. Ground play area	636	✓	✓	✓		
5	IGS	Waltham Chase Rec. Ground play area	166					
6	IGS	Meon Green, Waltham Chase	1,253	✓	✓	✓		
7	IGS	Provene Gardens, Waltham Chase	2,561	✓	✓	✓		
8	IGS	Evelyn Close, Waltham Chase	569	✓	✓	✓		
9	IGS	Chase Farm Close, Waltham Chase	826	✓	✓	✓		
10	IGS	Brooklyn Close, Waltham Chase	2,126	✓	✓	✓		
11	IGS	Sandy Hill Close	6,300	✓	✓	✓	✓	
12	NGS	Hornbeam Road, Waltham Chase	7,253	✓	✓	✓	✓	
13	NGS	Chase Grove Meadow	3,800		✓			
14	NGS	Shedfield Common	177,800	✓	✓	✓	✓	
15	PRG	Waltham Chase Recreation Ground	12,541	✓	✓	✓		
16	PRG	Waltham Chase 'Triangle'	16,734	✓	✓	✓		
17	PRG	Shirrell Heath Recreation Ground	7,527	✓	✓	✓		
18	SG	Shedfield Recreation Ground	19,827	✓	✓	✓		

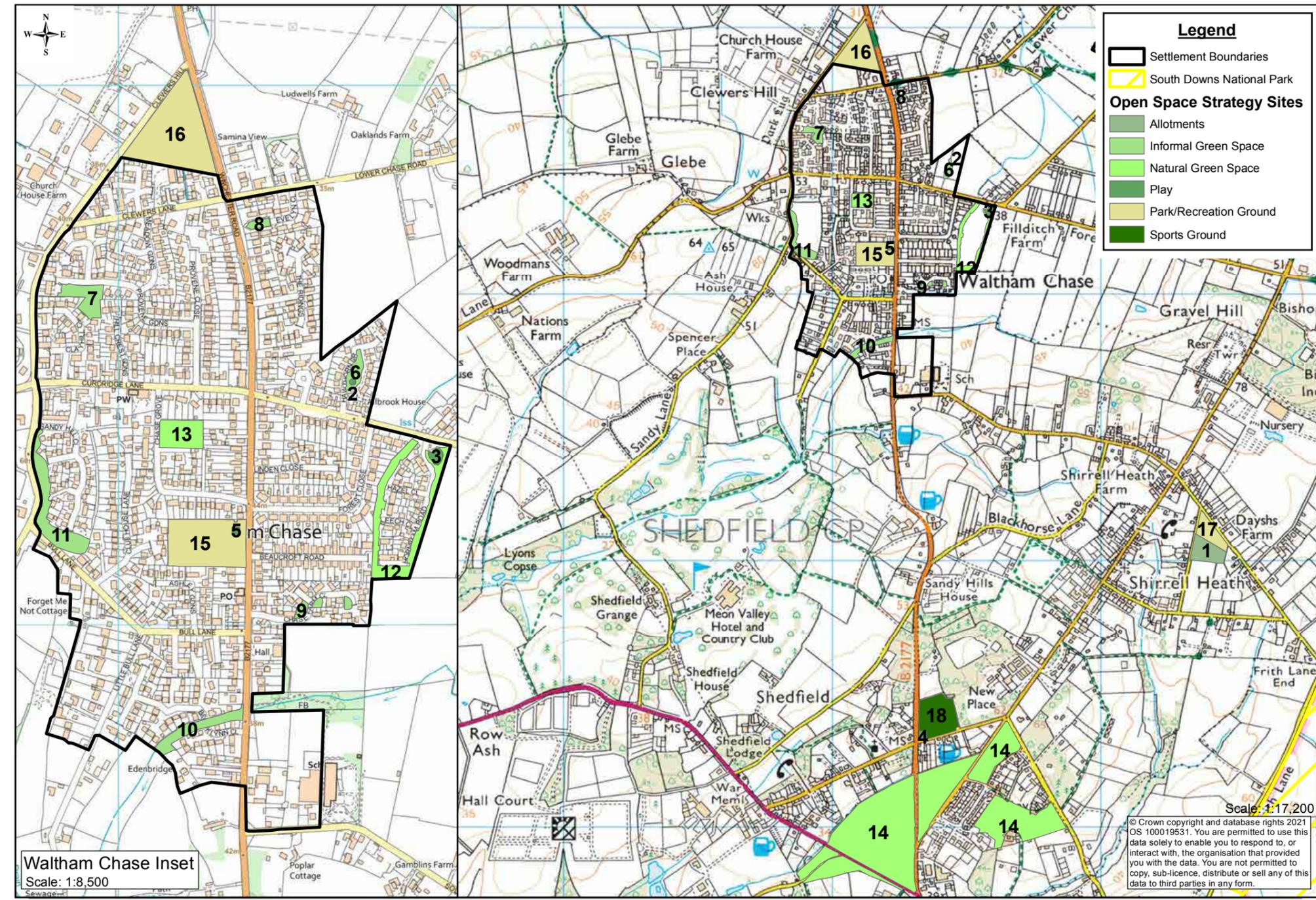
Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.85	0.92	0.07
IGS - Informal Green Space	3.4	1.36	-2.04
NGS - Natural Green Space	4.25	18.88	14.63
P - Play	2.13	0.15	-1.98
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	3.19	3.68	0.49
SG - Sports Ground	3.19	1.99	-1.20
<b>Total</b>	<b>17.01</b>	<b>26.98</b>	<b>9.97</b>



Shedfield

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

Shedfield village is surrounded by accessible Common Land, much of which is designated as a Site of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC) and overall there are adequate levels of public open space. There are however shortfalls of sports grounds, play areas and informal green space. Any future house building must ensure that these shortfalls are not exacerbated by providing on site open space in accordance with the Local plan standard.



Waltham Chase Inset  
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# SOUTH WONSTON

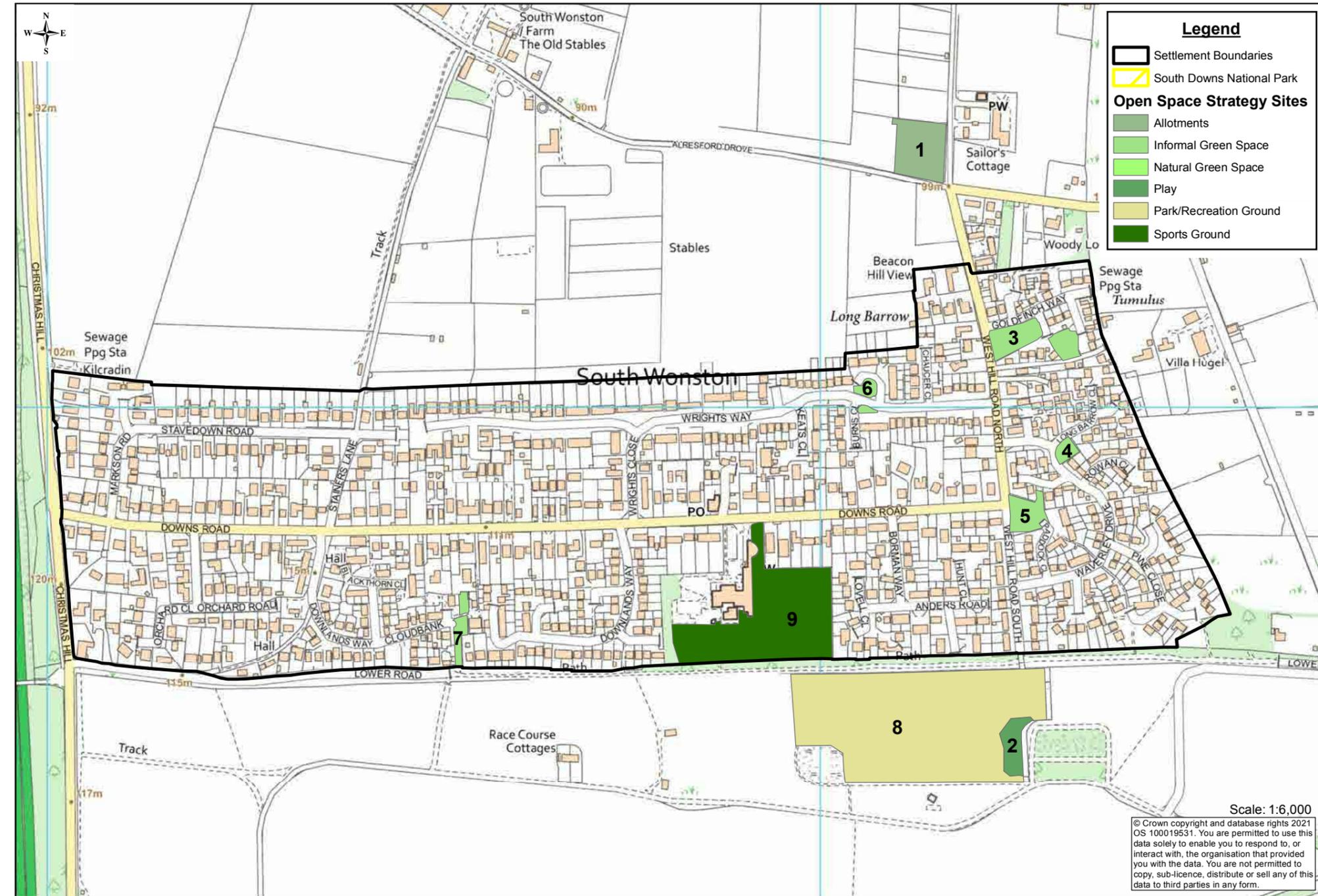
POPULATION - 2960

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m²)	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	A	Allotment Gardens	4,395	✓	✓	✓		
2	P	Recreation Ground play area	2,319	✓	✓	✓		
3	IGS	Goldfinch Way	2,154	✓	✓	✓		✓
4	IGS	Waverley Drive	627	✓	✓	✓		
5	IGS	Paddock Close	2,537	✓	✓	✓		
6	IGS	Wright's Way	512	✓	✓			
7	IGS	Downlands Way	1,010	✓	✓	✓		
8	PRG	The Recreation Ground	41,602	✓	✓	✓		
9	SG	Primary School playing fields	14,482				✓	

Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.3	0.44	0.14
IGS - Informal Green Space	2.37	0.68	-1.69
NGS - Natural Green Space	2.96	0	-2.96
P - Play	1.48	0.23	-1.25
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	2.22	4.16	1.94
SG - Sports Ground	2.22	0	-2.22
<b>Total</b>	<b>11.55</b>	<b>5.51</b>	<b>-6.04</b>

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

A rural parish with good access to open countryside however there are shortfalls in all categories of public open space except Parks and Recreation Grounds. At the popular and well used Recreation Ground, however, improvements have resulted in a new community sports pavilion, a new MUGA and outdoor gym and improvements to the car park and tennis courts.



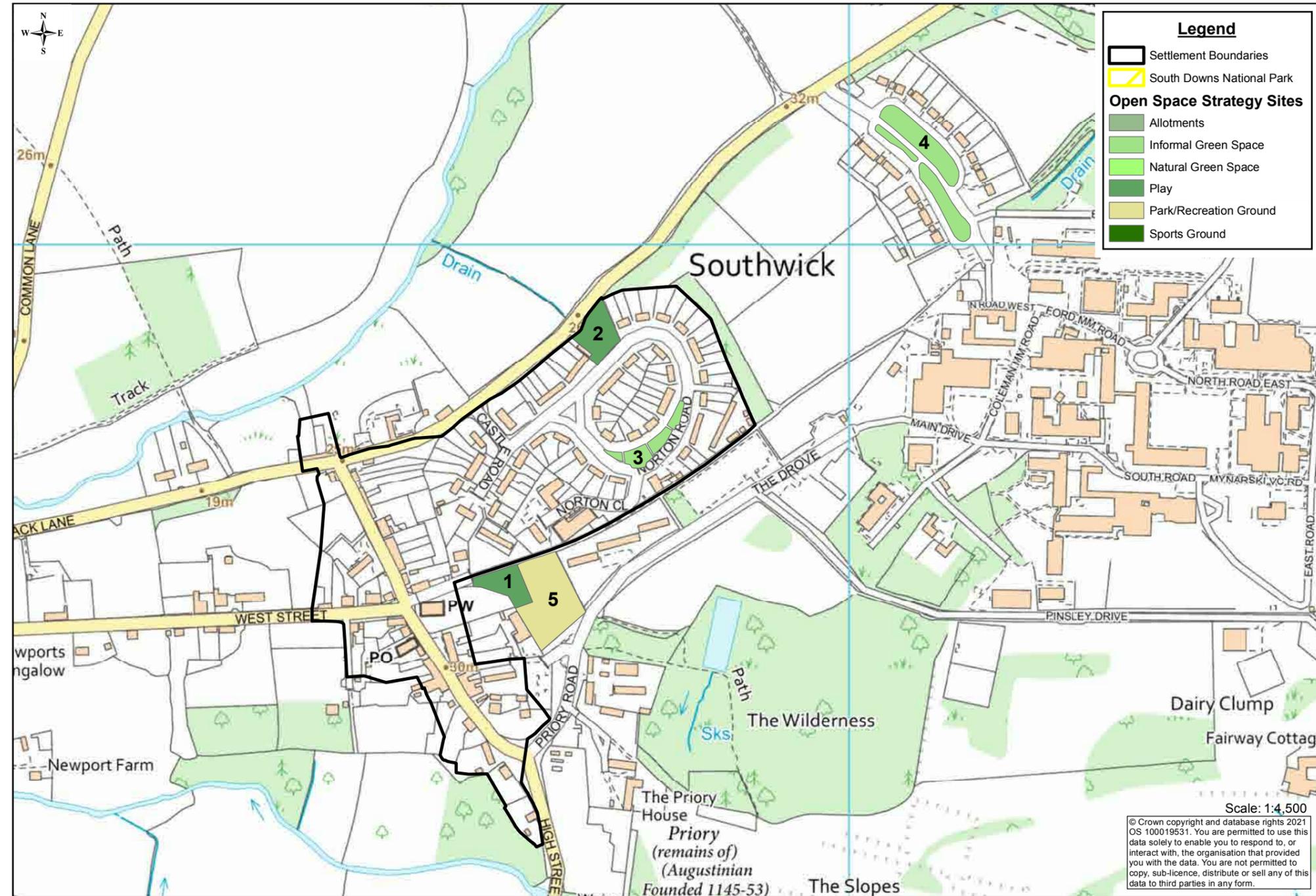
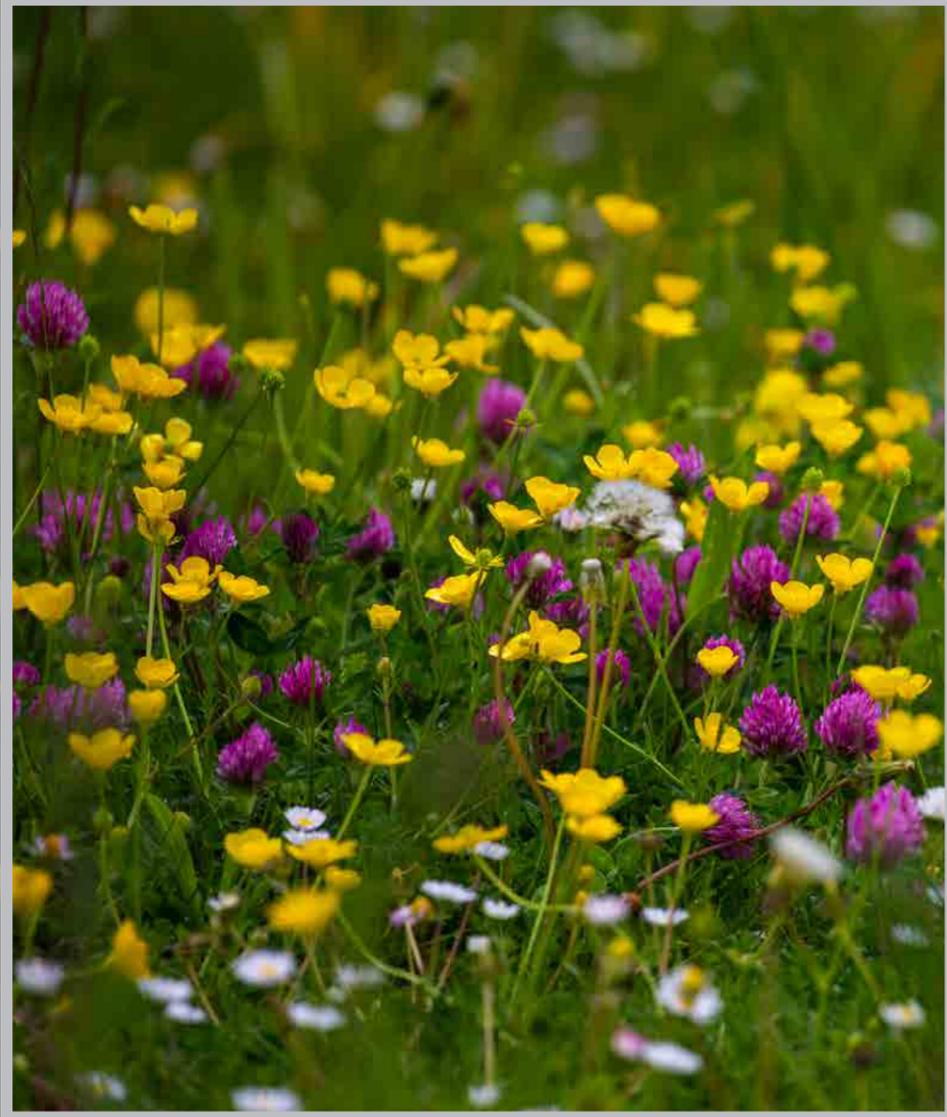
# SOUTHWICK

POPULATION - 969

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	P	Southwick Playing Field	635	✓	✓	✓		
2	P	Norton Road play area	1,456	✓		✓		
3	IGS	Norton Road highway verges	999	✓	✓	✓		
4	IGS	Boulter Lane highway verges	3,075	✓	✓	✓		
5	PRG	Southwick Playing Field	4,880	✓	✓	✓		

Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.19	0	-0.19
IGS - Informal Green Space	0.78	0.41	-0.37
NGS - Natural Green Space	0.97	0	-0.97
P - Play	0.48	0.21	-0.27
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	0.73	0.49	-0.24
SG - Sports Ground	0.73	0	-0.73
<b>Total</b>	<b>3.88</b>	<b>1.11</b>	<b>-2.77</b>

A rural village with good access to open countryside particularly nearby woodland, e.g., Place Wood. However there are shortfalls in most other categories of accessible public open space. The village also includes the sports pitches of the former HMS Dryad Royal Naval base at Southwick Park, now occupied by the Police Training Centre. However there continues to be no public access to this facility. Both play areas are in need of further investment so that they can be upgraded to NEAP standard. Facilities for teenagers are required.



# SPARSHOLT

POPULATION - 1094

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m²)	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	P	Woodman Close Play Area	721	✓	✓	✓		
2	IGS	Bostock Close Play Area	496	✓	✓	✓		
3	IGS	Woodman Close Green	2,826	✓	✓	✓		
4	PRG	War Memorial Garden	1,046	✓	✓	✓		
5	SG	Locks Lane Cricket Ground	15,691	✓	✓			

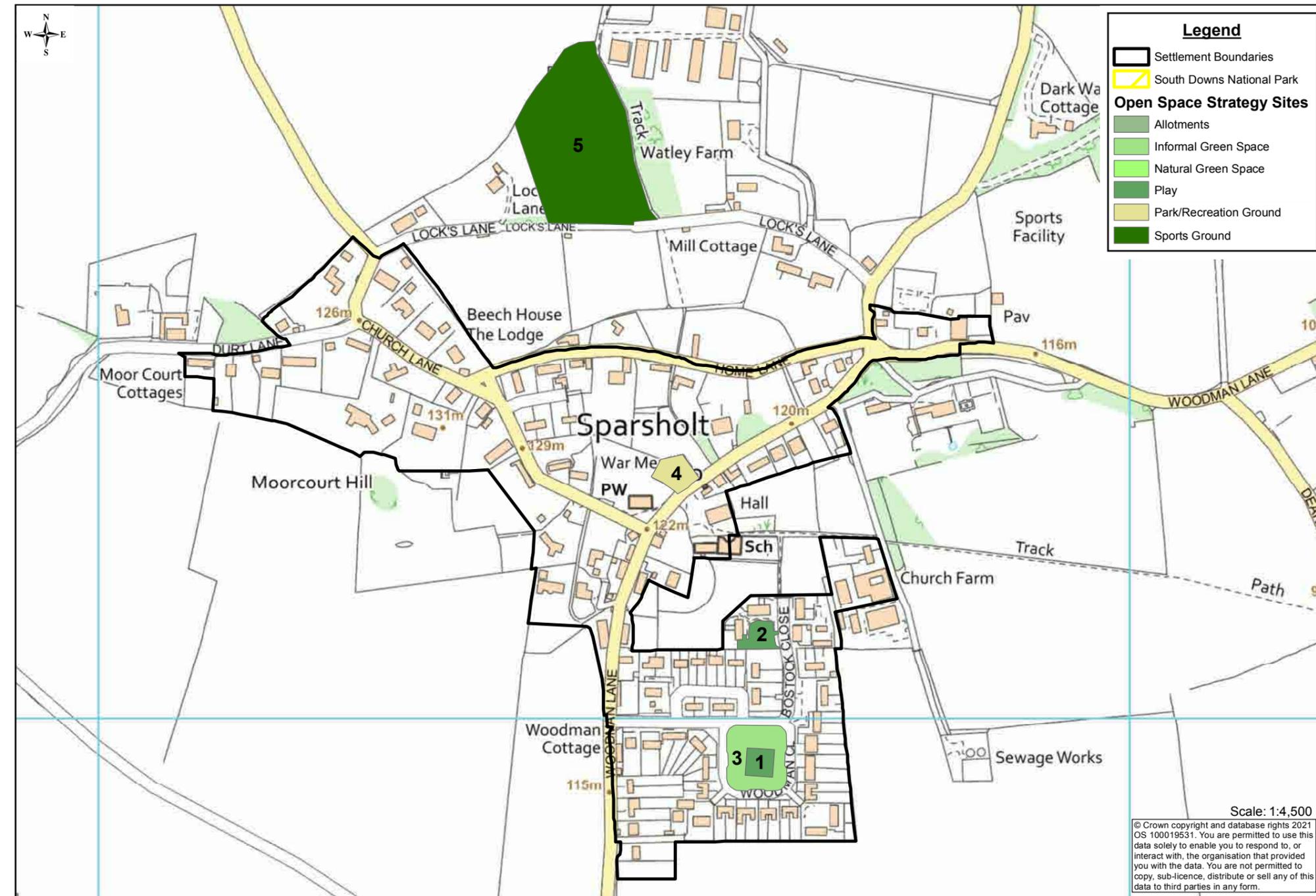
Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.22	0	-0.22
IGS - Informal Green Space	0.87	0.33	-0.54
NGS - Natural Green Space	0	0	0.00
P - Play	0.58	0.07	-0.51
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	0.82	0.1	-0.72
SG - Sports Ground	0.82	1.57	0.75
<b>Total</b>	<b>3.31</b>	<b>2.07</b>	<b>-1.24</b>

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

A rural parish with good access to open countryside including Farley Mount Country Park. However, the village has shortfalls in all other categories of accessible public open space with the exception of Sports grounds. The play area at Woodman Close needs additional play equipment to bring it up to NEAP standard.



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# SWANMORE

POPULATION - 3448

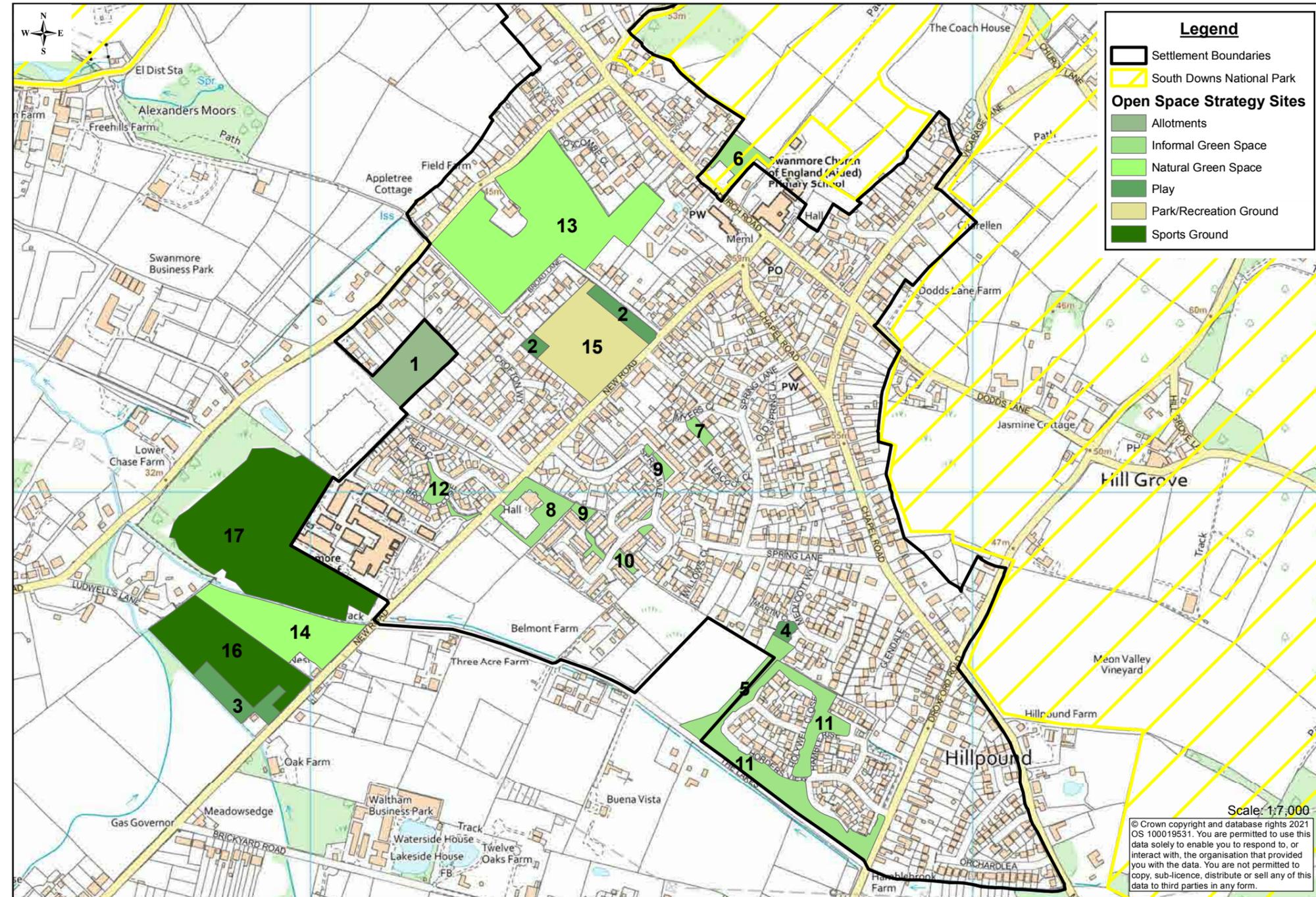
Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	A	Singleton's Farm	7,000	✓	✓	✓	✓	
2	P	Broad Lane Recreation Ground	3,245	✓	✓	✓		
3	P	New Road	4,424	✓	✓	✓		
4	P	Medicott Way	752	✓	✓	✓		
5	IGS	Medicott Way	3,680	✓	✓	✓		
6	IGS	Church Road (SDNP)	3,014	✓	✓	✓		
7	IGS	Myers Close	884	✓	✓	✓		
8	IGS	Springvale (1)	4,312	✓	✓	✓		
9	IGS	Springvale Road	600	✓	✓	✓		
10	IGS	Springvale (2) *	475	✓	✓	✓		
11	IGS	Horders View	16,500	✓	✓	✓		
12	IGS	Brook Close	1,400	✓	✓	✓		
13	NGS	Lower Chase Road	39,746	✓	✓	✓		
14	NGS	New Road	13,550	✓	✓	✓		
15	PRG	Broad Lane Recreation Ground	16,298	✓	✓	✓		
16	SG	New Road Sports Ground	18,028	✓	✓	✓		
17	SG	Swanmore College	41,136	✓	✓	✓		

Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.69	0.7	0.01
IGS - Informal Green Space	2.76	3.09	0.33
NGS - Natural Green Space	3.45	5.33	1.88
P - Play	1.72	0.84	-0.88
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	2.59	1.63	-0.96
SG - Sports Ground	2.59	5.92	3.33
<b>Total</b>	<b>13.8</b>	<b>17.51</b>	<b>3.71</b>



## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

A rural parish largely within the SDNP however its main settlement is just outside the park. The village of Swanmore has no shortage of green space apart from a small shortfall of children's play spaces. Any future house building will need to ensure sufficient open space infrastructure is provided to ensure continuing adequacy.



# WHITELEY

POPULATION - 3520

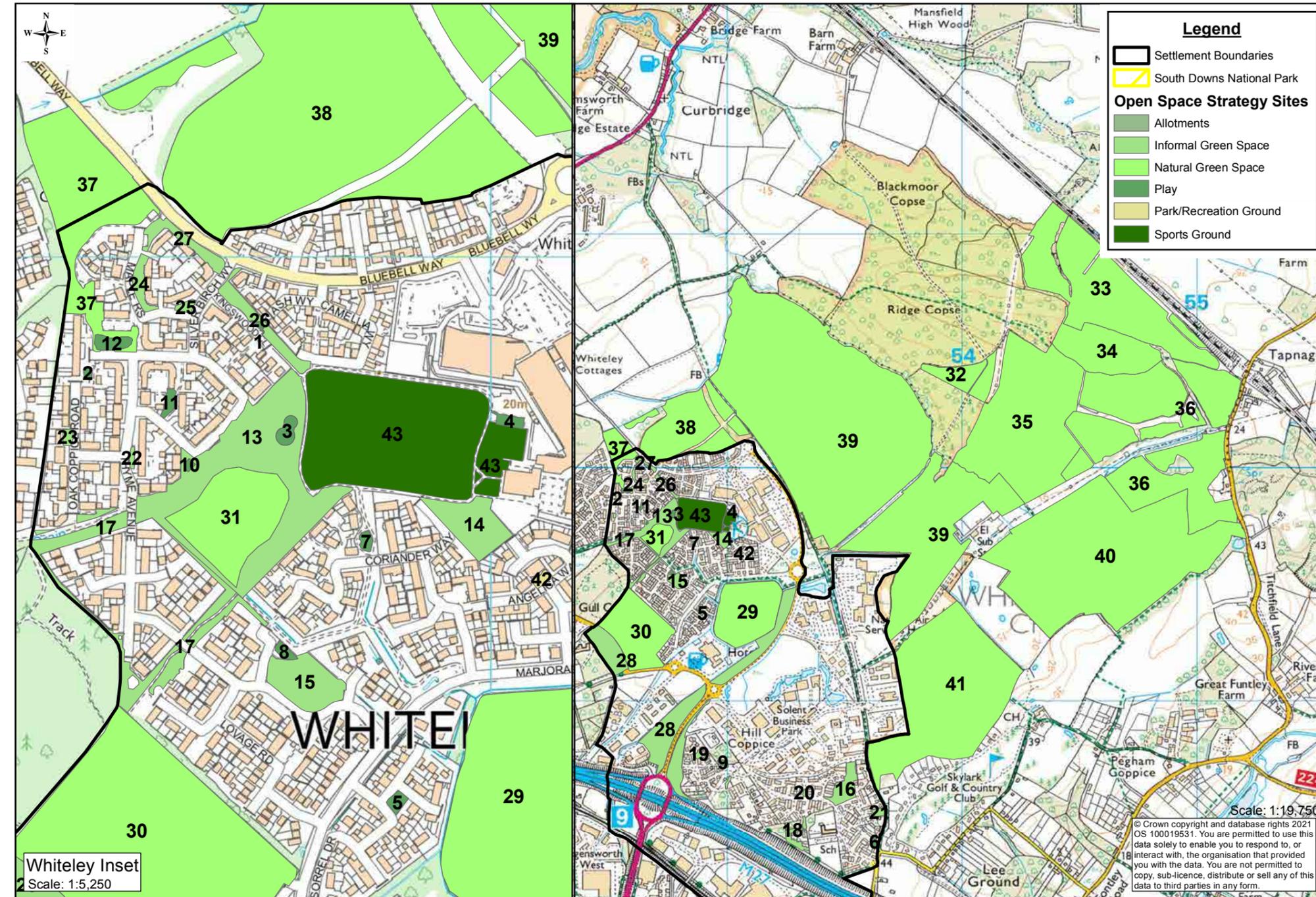
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					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	P	Kingswood Close	73	✓	✓	✓		
2	P	Rowan Close	99	✓	✓	✓		
3	P	Area K Play Area	533	✓	✓	✓		
4	P	Whiteley Skate Park	387	✓	✓	✓		
5	P	Caraway	347	✓	✓	✓		
6	P	Cheshire Close	618	✓	✓	✓		
7	P	Rosemary Gardens	261	✓	✓	✓		
8	P	Saffron Way	265	✓	✓	✓		
9	P	Mollison Rise	966	✓	✓	✓		
10	P	Thyme Avenue (2)	96	✓	✓	✓		
11	P	Thyme Avenue (1)	321	✓	✓	✓		
12	P	Silver Birch Way	579	✓	✓	✓		
13	IGS	Whiteley Playing Field	17,016	✓	✓	✓		
14	IGS	Whiteley Leisure Centre	3,784	✓	✓	✓		
15	IGS	Saffron Way	3,914	✓	✓	✓		
16	IGS	Johnson View	11,771	✓	✓	✓		
17	IGS	Thyme Avenue	6,965	✓	✓	✓		
18	IGS	Gibson Close	4,192	✓	✓	✓		
19	IGS	Mollison Rise	1,321	✓	✓	✓		
20	IGS	Leafy Lane	431	✓	✓	✓		
21	IGS	Bleriot Crescent	1,758	✓	✓	✓		
22	IGS	Balmoral House	116	✓	✓	✓		
23	IGS	Oak Coppice Road	198	✓	✓	✓		
24	IGS	Maple Rise	750	✓	✓	✓		
25	IGS	Silver Birch Way	221	✓	✓	✓		
26	IGS	Kingswood Close	1,735	✓	✓	✓		
27	IGS	Bluebell Way	1,326	✓	✓	✓		

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
28	IGS	Whiteley Way verges	84,851	✓	✓	✓		
29	NGS	Round Coppice	63,387	✓	✓	✓	✓	
30	NGS	Gull Coppice	161,463	✓	✓	✓	✓	
31	NGS	Wetland Conservation Area	10,272	✓	✓	✓		
32	NGS	Picked Croft	29,724	✓	✓	✓		
33	NGS	Dimmock's Moor	206,603	✓	✓	✓		
34	NGS	Sager's Down	69,785	✓	✓	✓		
35	NGS	Botley Wood	238,268	✓	✓	✓		
36	NGS	Tapnag Wood	262,409	✓	✓	✓		
37	NGS	Glassfield Copse	16,377	✓	✓	✓	✓	
38	NGS	Sawpit Copse	86,885	✓	✓	✓	✓	
39	NGS	Whiteley Pastures	809,717	✓	✓	✓		
40	NGS	Flagpond Coppice	413,808	✓	✓	✓		
41	NGS	Lee Ground Coppice	271,149	✓	✓	✓		
42	PRG	Angelica Way	242	✓	✓	✓		
43	SG	Whiteley Sports Ground	25,146	✓	✓	✓		

Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.7	0	-0.70
IGS - Informal Green Space	2.82	14.03	11.21
NGS - Natural Green Space	3.52	264	260.50
P - Play	1.76	0.45	-1.31
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	2.64	0.02	-2.62
SG - Sports Ground	2.64	2.52	-0.12
<b>Total</b>	<b>14.08</b>	<b>281.02</b>	<b>266.96</b>

### NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

There is no allotment site and a shortage of equipped children's play space and parks, however, this is compensated for by a vast quantity of accessible woodland and a good quality sports ground. Furthermore, the major housing development area further north will provide open space in all of these categories. Over a third of the development site will be accessible open space.



# WICKHAM

POPULATION - 4656

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m²)	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	P	The Circle, Wickham	518	✓	✓	✓		
2	P	The Community Centre, Wickham	132	✓	✓	✓		
3	P	The Recreation Ground, Wickham	702	✓	✓	✓		
4	P	Greater Horseshoe Way, Knowle	278	✓	✓	✓		
5	P	Victoria Mews, Knowle	234	✓	✓	✓		
6	P	Barbastelle Walk, Knowle	193	✓	✓	✓		
7	P	Consort Mews, Knowle	402	✓	✓	✓		
8	P	Portland Way, Knowle	191	✓	✓	✓		
9	P	Skateboard Bowl, Knowle	216	✓	✓	✓		
10	P	Grindall Field Play Area	1,497	✓	✓	✓		
11	IGS	Victoria Mews, Knowle	1,768	✓	✓	✓		
12	IGS	Greater Horseshoe Way, Knowle	1,611	✓	✓	✓		
13	IGS	Consort Mews, Knowle	2,866	✓	✓	✓		
14	IGS	Barbastelle Walk, Knowle	1,279	✓	✓	✓		
15	IGS	Boundary Walk, Knowle	4,224	✓	✓	✓		
16	IGS	Portland Way, Knowle	1,053	✓	✓	✓		
17	IGS	The Circle, Wickham	2,175	✓	✓	✓		
18	IGS	Water Meadows, Wickham	22,185	✓	✓	✓		
19	IGS	Bridge Street Village Green, Wickham	610	✓	✓	✓		
20	IGS	Buddens Road green space, Wickham	701	✓	✓	✓		
21	IGS	Winchester Road	8,100	✓	✓	✓		
22	NGS	Winchester Road	3,800	✓	✓	✓	✓	
23	NGS	School Road Meadow	28,446	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
24	NGS	Dean Copse, Knowle	15,910	✓	✓	✓	✓	
25	NGS	Lysander Meadow, Wickham	16,244	✓	✓	✓		
26	SG	Village Green, Knowle	29,874	✓	✓	✓		
27	SG	The Recreation Ground, Wickham	15,109	✓	✓	✓		

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m²)	Public Access	Reason for Protection
					amenity recreation biodiversity heritage
28	SG	Wickham Cricket Club (SDNP)	10,654		✓
29	SG	Wickham Primary School & Community Centre	10,701	✓	✓

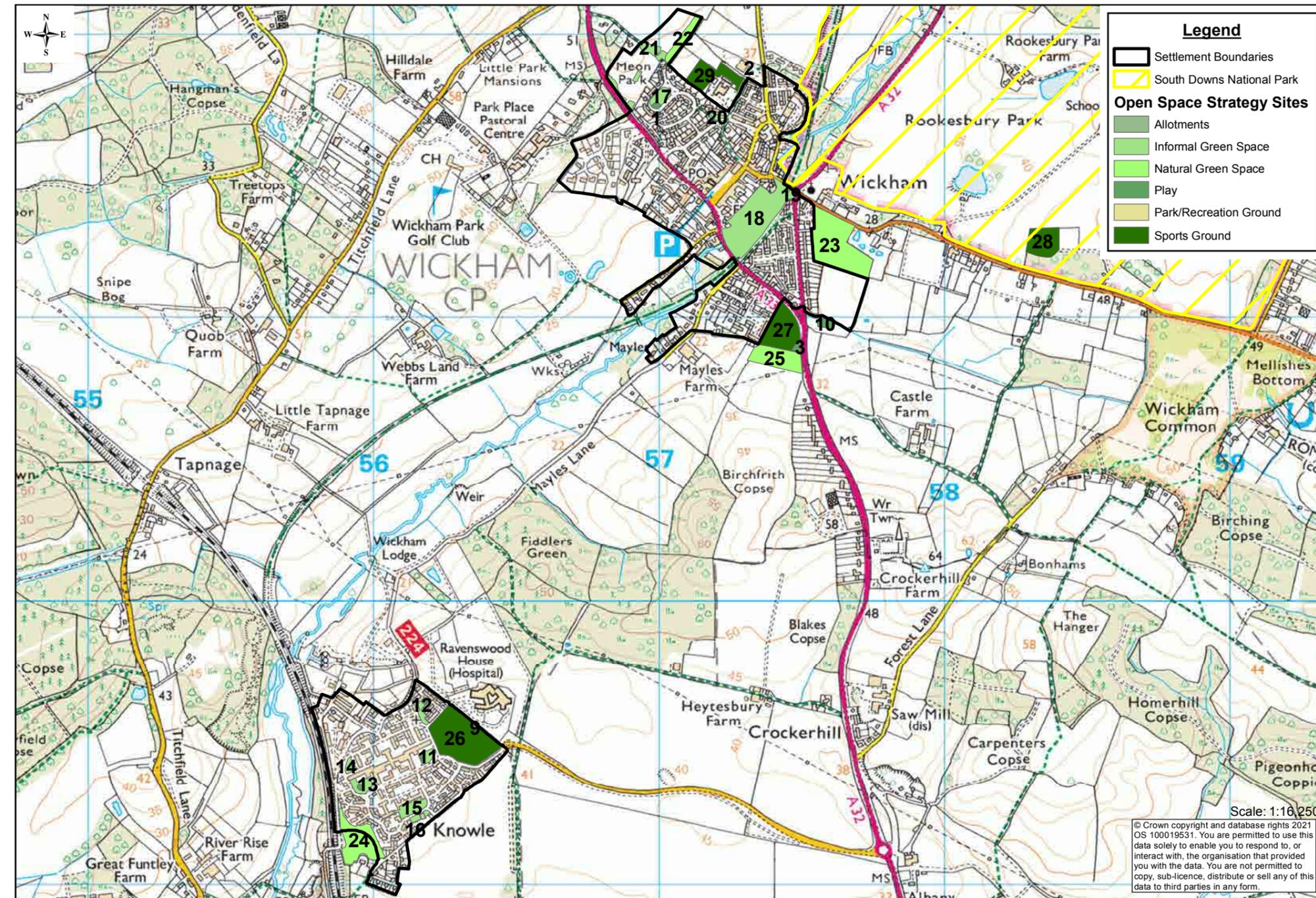
Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.93	0	-0.93
IGS - Informal Green Space	3.72	4.66	0.94
NGS - Natural Green Space	4.66	6.44	1.78
P - Play	2.33	0.29	-2.04
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	3.49	0	-3.49
SG - Sports Ground	3.49	6.63	3.14
<b>Total</b>	<b>18.62</b>	<b>18.02</b>	<b>-0.60</b>

### NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

The two most recent new housing site allocations are providing significant amounts of public open space. This includes sports pitches and a pavilion on land to the east of Mill Lane and at the Glebe Land, informal green space, parkland and equipped play space. Knowle is well supplied with accessible open space. There are however still shortfalls of allotments and equipped play space. Parks and Recreation Grounds are included under 'Sports Grounds'. Any future housing development in or around Wickham must factor-in sufficient quantities of open space to avoid further deficits.



Wickham



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# WINCHESTER – BADGER FARM

POPULATION - 2621

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m²)	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	P	Broad Chalke Down play area	550	✓	✓	✓		
2	P	Lowden Close play area	143	✓	✓	✓		
3	IGS	Greenways and open spaces	29,563	✓	✓	✓		
4	IGS	Slopes between Stanmore & Badger farm	9,692	✓	✓	✓		
5	IGS	Ivy Close	1,630	✓	✓	✓		
6	IGS	Meadow Way	3,551	✓	✓	✓		
7	IGS	Ridgeway / Meadow Way	5,096	✓	✓	✓		
8	IGS	Broad Chalke Down	23,191	✓	✓	✓		
9	NGS	Whiteshute Ridge	110,135	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

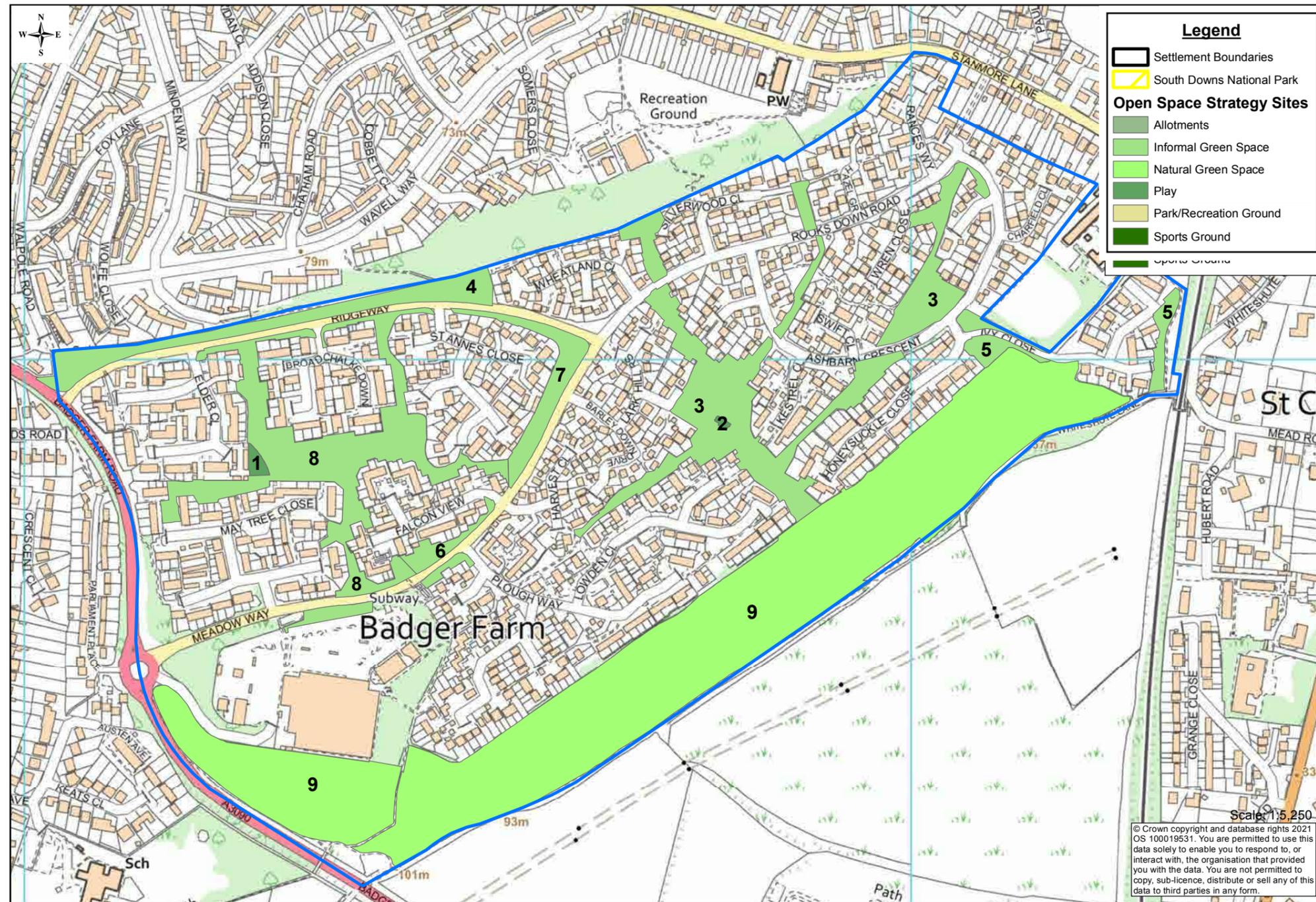
Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.53	0	-0.53
IGS - Informal Green Space	2.11	7.27	5.16
NGS - Natural Green Space	2.64	11.01	8.37
P - Play	1.32	0.07	-1.25
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	1.98	0	-1.98
SG - Sports Ground	1.98	0	-1.98
<b>Total</b>	<b>10.56</b>	<b>18.35</b>	<b>7.79</b>



Whiteshute Ridge

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

There are shortfalls of equipped children's play areas and formal parks and recreation grounds but this is compensated for to some extent by extensive Informal Green Space, the presence of Whiteshute Ridge on the doorstep and good access to the countryside to the south of Winchester. A further opportunity lies in the future development of the Bushfield Camp site which will secure and lay out for public use the undeveloped part of the site for recreational use.



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# WINCHESTER – OLIVER'S BATTERY

POPULATION - 582

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m²)	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	P	Recreation Ground play area	1,500	✓	✓	✓		
2	IGS	Oliver Cromwell's Battery	6,547	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
3	NGS	Wildlife Conservation Area	1,645	✓	✓	✓	✓	
4	NGS	Yew Hill Butterfly Reserve (ACV)	19,597	✓	✓	✓	✓	
5	NGS	Texas Field (ACV)	164,094	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
6	PRG	Compton Way Recreation Ground	13,632	✓	✓	✓		

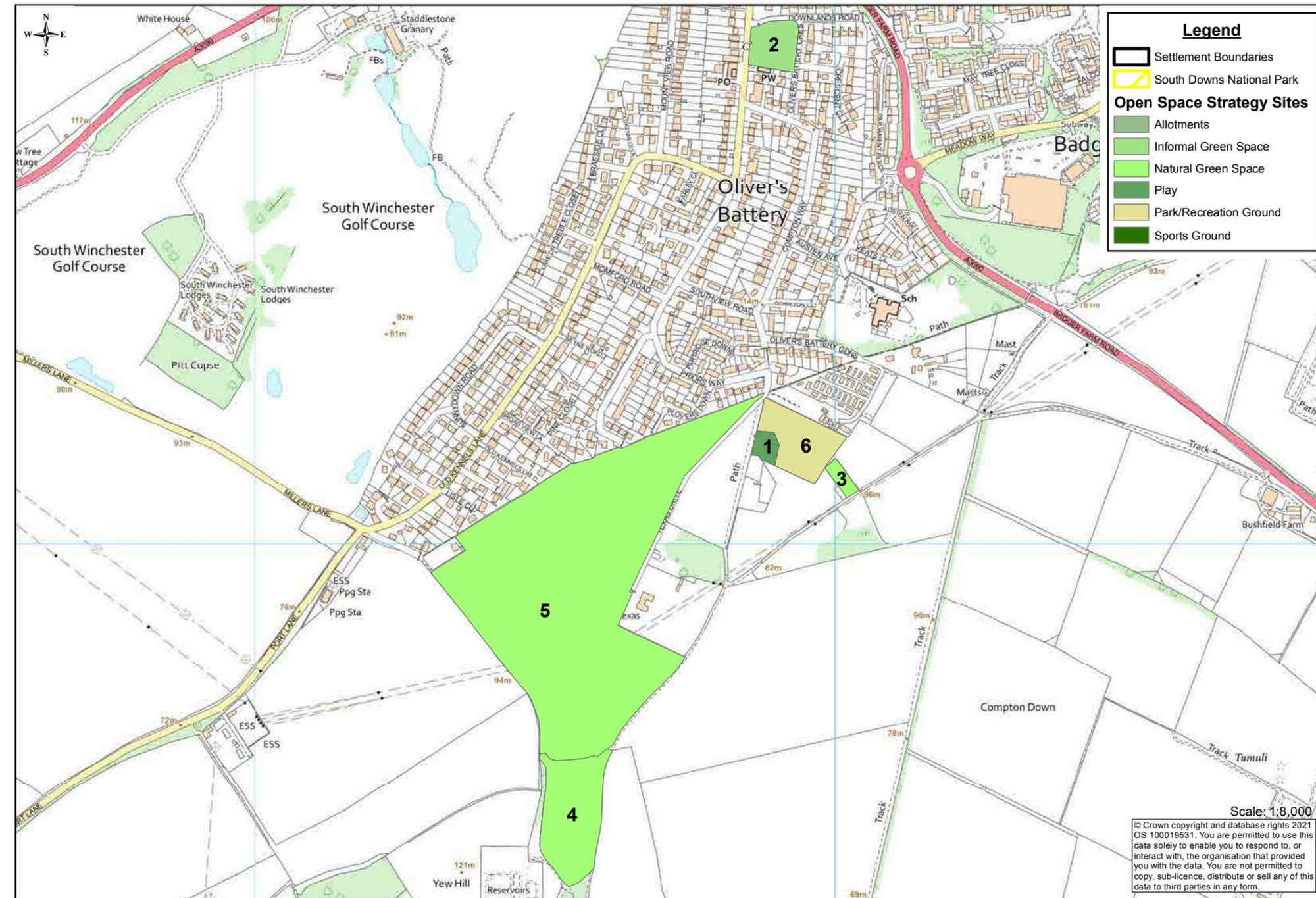
Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.3	0	-0.30
IGS - Informal Green Space	1.19	0.66	-0.53
NGS - Natural Green Space	1.49	18.53	17.04
P - Play	0.75	0.15	-0.60
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	1.12	1.36	0.24
SG - Sports Ground	1.12	0	-1.12
<b>Total</b>	<b>5.97</b>	<b>20.7</b>	<b>14.73</b>

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

A suburb of Winchester with no overall shortage of open space and good access to open countryside, including the recently acquired Texas Field 'asset of community value' (ACV) but with shortfalls in allotment gardens, play areas and sports grounds.



Winchester – Oliver's Battery



# WINCHESTER – ST BARNABUS WARD

POPULATION - 9383

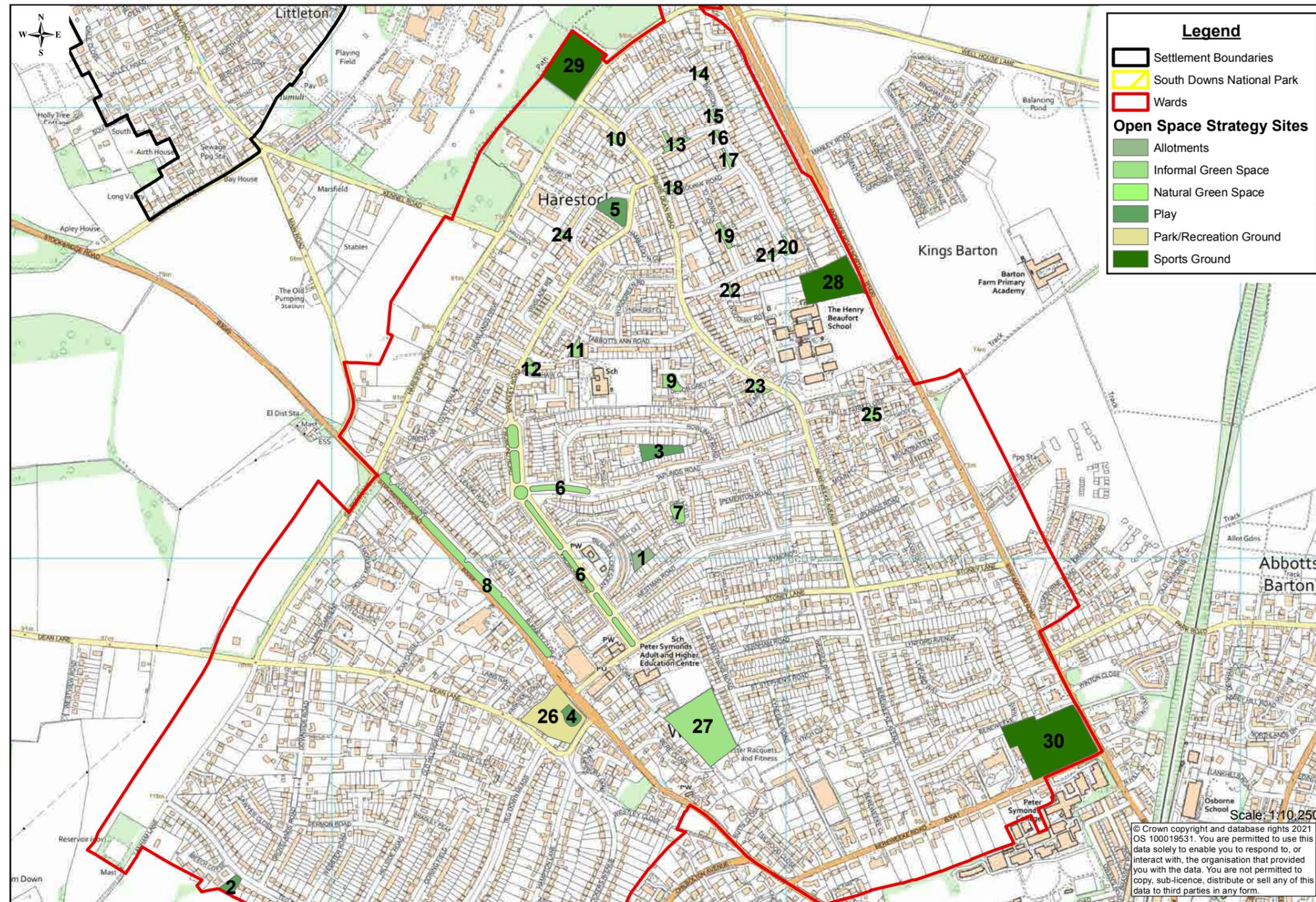
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					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	A	Trussell Close Allotments	1,402	✓	✓	✓		
2	P	Teg Down Meads Play Area	1,087	✓	✓	✓		
3	P	Taplings Road play area	2,573	✓	✓	✓		
4	P	Dean Park play area	793	✓	✓	✓		
5	P	Bradley Road	2,684	✓	✓	✓		
6	IGS	Fromond Road central reservation	7,912	✓	✓	✓		
7	IGS	Greatfield Road open space	1,071	✓	✓	✓		
8	IGS	Godwin / Burnet Close	8,133	✓	✓	✓		
9	IGS	Upton Grey Close	1,038	✓	✓	✓		
10	IGS	Minstead Close	502	✓	✓	✓		
11	IGS	Abbotts Ann	603	✓	✓	✓		
12	IGS	Bramshaw Close	574	✓	✓	✓		
13	IGS	Beaulieu Close	870	✓	✓	✓		
14	IGS	Buriton Road Corner	400	✓	✓	✓		
15	IGS	adj No 1 Grayshott Close	200	✓	✓	✓		
16	IGS	adj No 16 Grayshott Close	177	✓	✓	✓		
17	IGS	adj 31 to 43 Buriton Road	426	✓	✓	✓		
18	IGS	Rockbourne Road	342	✓	✓	✓		
19	IGS	Froxfield Close	762	✓	✓	✓		
20	IGS	adj 120 to 134 Buriton Road	418	✓	✓	✓		
21	IGS	adj No 59 Buriton Road	252	✓	✓	✓		
22	IGS	East Woodhay Road	239	✓	✓	✓		
23	IGS	Eling Close	533	✓	✓	✓		
24	IGS	Burley Road	300	✓	✓	✓		
25	IGS	Halls Farm Close	840	✓	✓	✓		
26	PRG	Dean Park	9,332	✓	✓	✓		
27	PRG	St Matthews Field	13,929	✓	✓	✓		

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
28	SG	Henry Beaufort School AWP	9,199	✓	✓	✓		
29	SG	Harestock Road	11,071	✓	✓	✓		
30	SG	Peter Symonds College playing fields	17,653	✓	✓	✓		

Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	1.88	0.14	-1.7
IGS - Informal Green Space	7.5	2.56	-4.9
NGS - Natural Green Space	9.38	0	-9.4
P - Play	4.69	0.71	-4.0
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	7.04	2.32	-4.7
SG - Sports Ground	7.04	2.03	-5.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>37.53</b>	<b>7.76</b>	<b>-29.8</b>

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

The St Barnabus Ward of Winchester now comprises the built-up areas of Teg Down, Weeke and Harestock. Taken in isolation as a suburb of Winchester, St Barnabus Ward is deficient in open space provision when assessed against the standard in the Local Plan. There are very few opportunities to add to the overall quantum of open space and the objective is to protect what there is from encroachment and concentrate instead on improving what exists in terms of quality and accessibility. The major development area at Kings Barton (within the parish of Headbourne Worthy) will add to the open space available to this part of the town.



# WINCHESTER – ST BARTHOLOMEW WARD

POPULATION - 9908

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	A	Edington Road allotments	17,414	✓	✓	✓		
2	A	Park Road Allotments	39,113	✓	✓	✓		
3	A	Firmstone Road allotments	567	✓	✓	✓		
4	P	St Martins Close play area	952	✓	✓	✓		
5	P	Imber Road play area	952	✓	✓	✓		
6	P	Winnall Manor Road play area	1,154	✓	✓	✓		
7	P	Arlington Place open space	212	✓	✓	✓		
8	P	Chandler Road play area	600	✓	✓			
9	P	North Walls Play Area / Skatepark	3,170	✓	✓			
10	IGS	Old Gardens corner	323	✓	✓			
11	IGS	Water Lane open space	2,714	✓	✓	✓	✓	
12	IGS	Dyson Drive open space	3,559	✓	✓	✓		
13	IGS	Winton Close open space	10,061	✓	✓	✓		
14	IGS	Abbotts Walk	16,722	✓	✓	✓		
15	IGS	Silchester Place open space	91	✓	✓	✓		
16	IGS	Abbotts Barton open space	27,376	✓	✓	✓		
17	NGS	Winnall Moors Nature Reserve (SDNP)	84,704	✓	✓	✓	✓	
18	NGS	Hillier's Haven Nature Park	12,091	✓	✓	✓	✓	
19	SG	Osbourne School playing field	6,244		✓	✓		
20	SG	Rugby Football Ground	35,144	✓	✓			
21	PRG	Joyce Gardens	2,384	✓	✓	✓		
22	PRG	Imber Road Recreation Ground	2,066	✓	✓	✓		
23	PRG	Firmstone Road Community Garden	316	✓	✓	✓		
24	PRG	Winnall Manor Road Recreation Ground	3,180	✓	✓	✓		
25	PRG	North Walls Recreation Ground	101,724	✓	✓	✓		

Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	1.98	5.71	3.73
IGS - Informal Green Space	7.93	6.23	-1.70
NGS - Natural Green Space	9.91	9.68	-0.23
P - Play*	4.95	0.7	-4.25
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground*	7.43	10.97	3.54
SG - Sports Ground***	7.43	3.51	-3.92
<b>Total</b>	<b>39.63</b>	<b>36.8</b>	<b>-2.83</b>



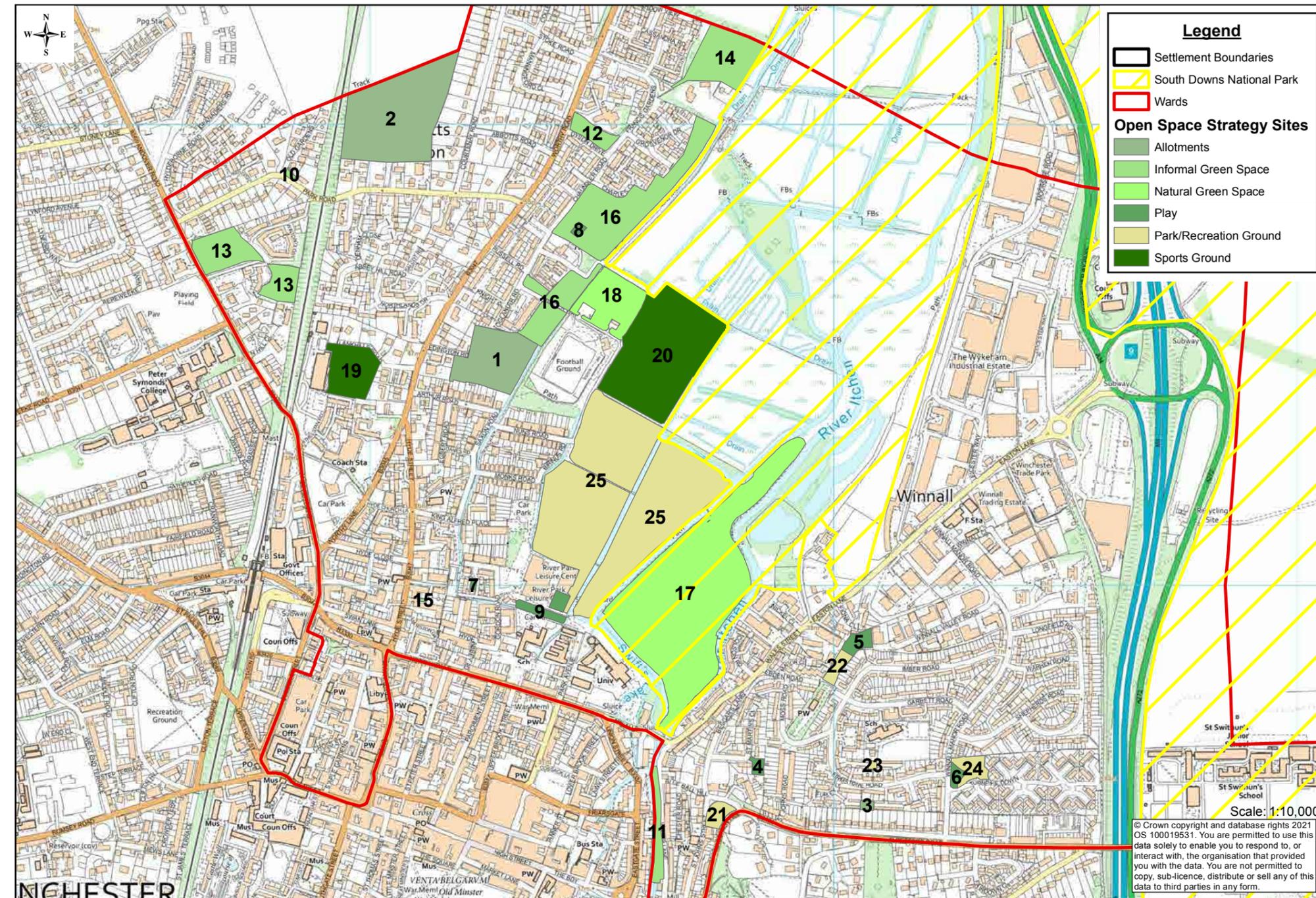
Winchester – St Bartholomew Ward

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

Following the boundary changes to the Winchester wards in 2016 the population of St Bartholomew Ward has increased leading to a corresponding decrease in the adequacy of open space when assessed against the council's open space standard. Many parts of the ward however still enjoy good access to the council's park and recreation ground area at North Walls and Winnall Moors Nature Reserve.

\*only measures equipped activity zone  
\*\*includes some sports pitches

\*\*\*sports grounds not in deficit when NW Rec included



**Legend**

- Settlement Boundaries
- South Downs National Park
- Wards

**Open Space Strategy Sites**

- Allotments
- Informal Green Space
- Natural Green Space
- Play
- Park/Recreation Ground
- Sports Ground

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# WINCHESTER – ST LUKE'S WARD

POPULATION - 6109

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m²)	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	A	Stanmore allotment sites x 5	13,173	✓	✓	✓		
2	A	Thurmond Crescent allotments	5,332	✓	✓	✓		
3	P	Walpole Road	1,389	✓	✓	✓		
4	P	Somers Close	998	✓	✓	✓		
5	P	Thurmond Crescent	1,600	✓	✓	✓		
6	P	Cromwell Road	1,300	✓	✓	✓		
7	P	Winchester Village play area	900	✓	✓	✓		
8	IGS	Winchester Village green spaces	6,084	✓	✓	✓		
9	IGS	The Valley	37,759	✓	✓	✓		
10	IGS	Slopes btw Badger Farm & Stanmore	36,748	✓	✓	✓		
11	PRG	Cromwell Road Recreation Ground	22,098	✓	✓	✓		
12	PRG	Somers Close Recreation Ground	23,988	✓	✓	✓		
13	SG	Stanmore Primary Sch Playing Fields	11,376		✓	✓		

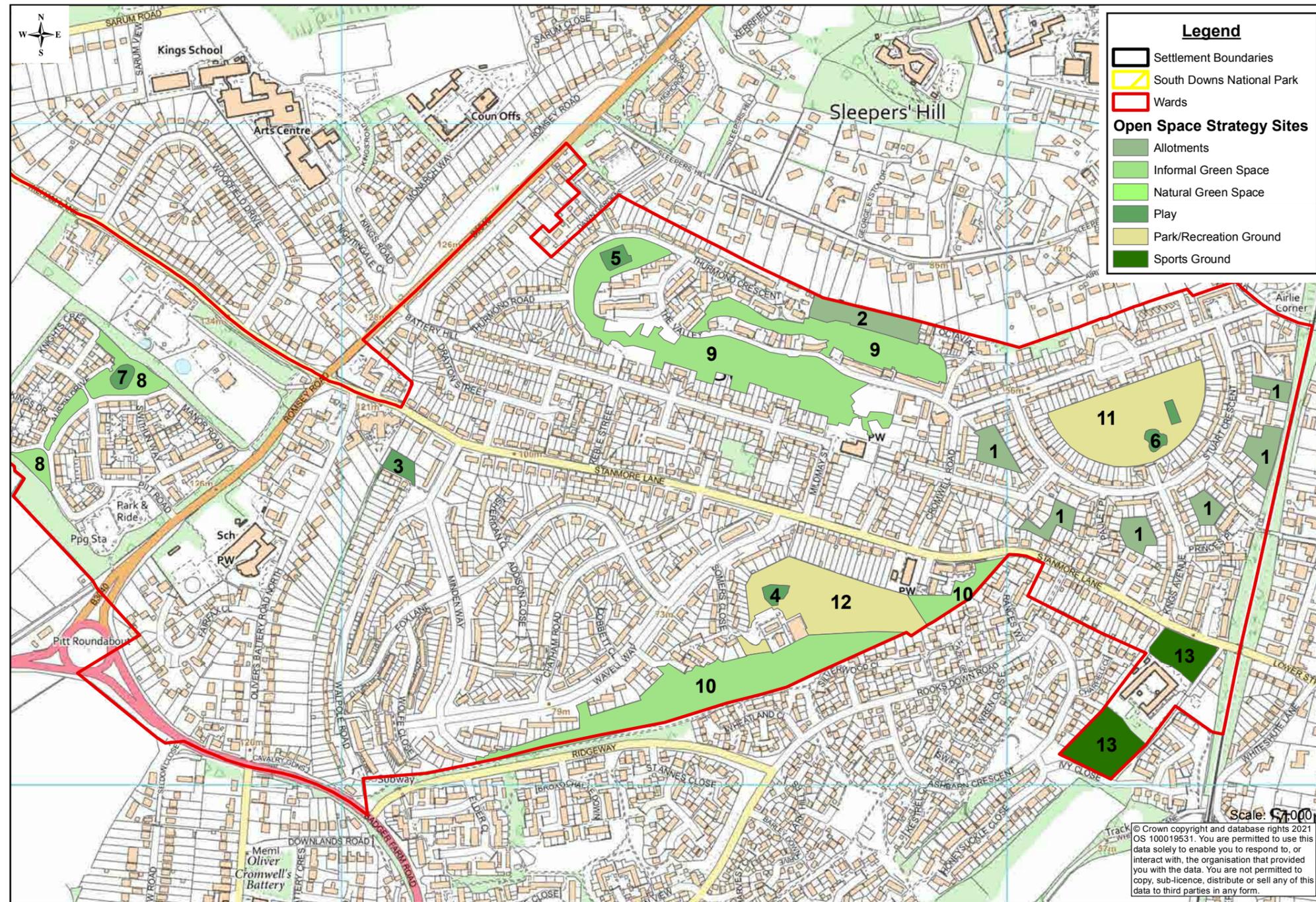


Stanmore

Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	1.22	1.85	0.63
IGS - Informal Green Space	4.89	8.06	3.17
NGS - Natural Green Space	6.11	0	-6.11
P - Play	3.05	0.62	-2.43
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	4.58	4.61	0.03
SG - Sports Ground	4.58	0	-4.58
<b>Total</b>	<b>24.43</b>	<b>15.14</b>	<b>-9.29</b>

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

St Luke's Ward has shortfalls of open space. There are deficits in Natural Green Space, Equipped Children's Play Space and publically accessible Sports grounds. The shortfalls of open space are partly to be expected because this is a heavily built-up part of town with no easy access to open countryside. This is compensated to some degree by the presence of two good Parks at Somers Close and Cromwell Road and extensive areas of Informal Green Space at The Valley and the slopes between Stanmore and Badger Farm. The council will seek to retain, protect and improve these facilities which, as urban housing densities rise, become more valuable. There are opportunities as part of the Stanmore Planning Framework to provide improvements to the existing green spaces.



# WINCHESTER – ST MICHAEL'S WARD

POPULATION - 9469

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	A	St Cross Allotments	8,238	✓	✓	✓		
2	A	Highcliffe Allotments	48,284	✓	✓	✓		
3	P	Fairdown Close play area	234	✓	✓	✓		
4	P	KGV Skatepark	4,511	✓	✓	✓		
5	P	Gordon Avenue playground	2,529	✓	✓	✓		
6	P	Culver Road Garden and play area	666	✓	✓	✓		
7	P	Abbey Gardens play area	2,828	✓	✓	✓		
8	IGS	St Giles Hill Cemetery	7,924	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
9	IGS	Rack Hill	2,529	✓	✓	✓		
10	IGS	Wharf Hill open space	1,115	✓	✓	✓		
11	IGS	Wolvesey Terrace open space	1,110	✓	✓	✓		
12	IGS	Cathedral Inner Close	2,042	✓	✓	✓		✓
13	IGS	St Faith's Church Yard	2,515	✓	✓	✓		
14	IGS	Palmer Field (College)	40,736	✓	✓	✓		
15	IGS	Castle Green	3,971	✓	✓	✓		
16	IGS	Grange Road	1,588	✓	✓	✓		
17	IGS	Eastgate Street open space	1,419	✓	✓	✓		
18	NGS	St Catherine's Hill (SDNP)	258,888	✓	✓	✓	✓	
19	NGS	St Faith's Meadow (SDNP)	21,313	✓	✓	✓	✓	
20	NGS	St Cross Meadow	85,969	✓	✓	✓	✓	
21	PRG	St Giles Hill Park	43,824	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
22	PRG	The Wiers	12,631	✓	✓	✓		
23	PRG	Abbey Gardens	7,615	✓	✓	✓		
24	PRG	Cathedral Outer Close	10,002	✓	✓	✓		✓
25	SG	The KGV sports ground	69,946	✓	✓	✓		
26	SG	The Garrison Ground	25,932	✓	✓	✓		
27	SG	The University Sports Ground	43,962	✓				

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Public Access	Reason for Protection
					amenity recreation biodiversity heritage
28	SG	Kingsgate Park	20,386	✓	✓
29	SG	Winchester College Playing Fields	116,562	✓	✓
30	SG	St Cross Symondians Cricket Club	36,534	✓	✓

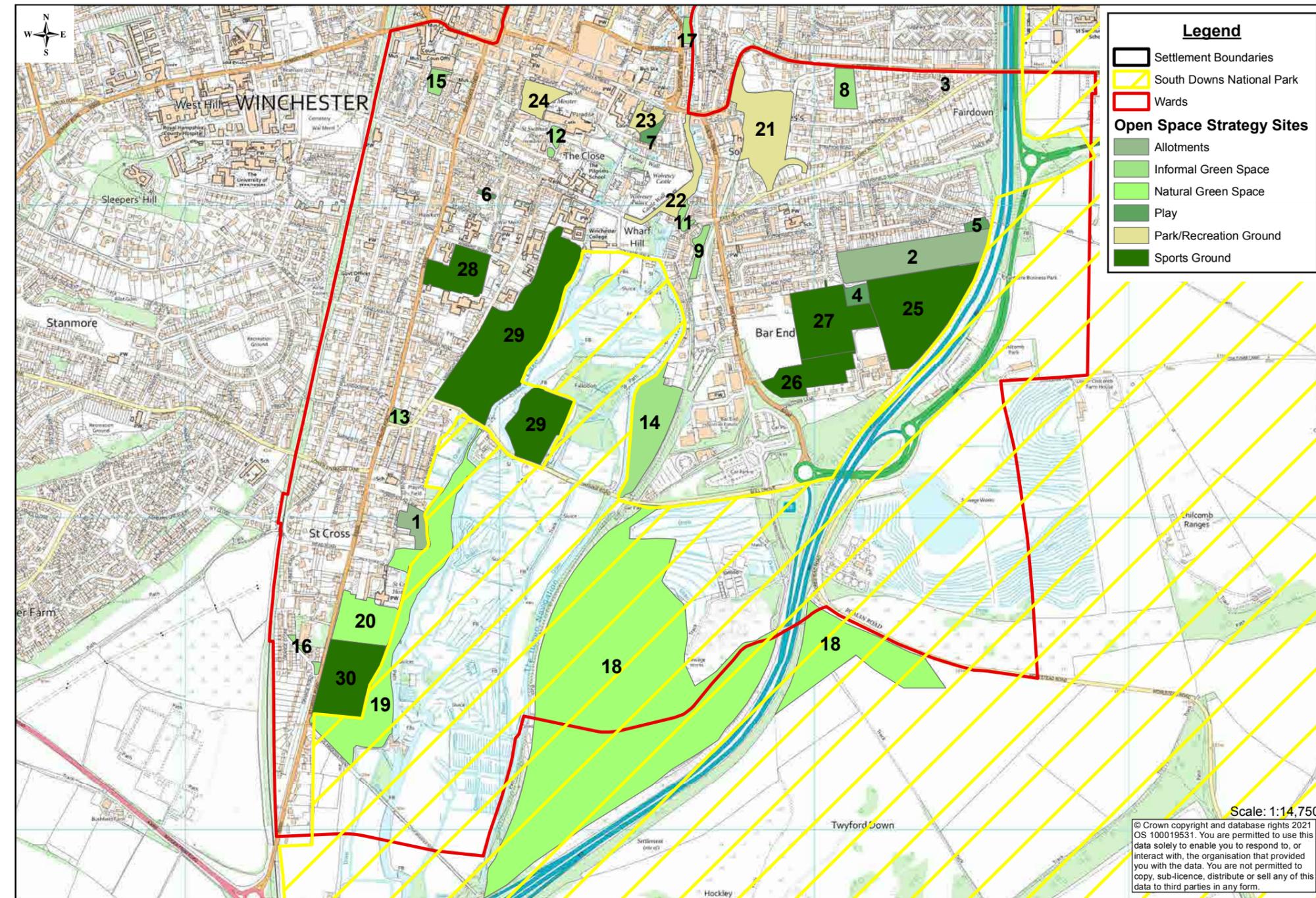
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CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	1.89	5.6	3.71
IGS - Informal Green Space	7.57	6.35	-1.22
NGS - Natural Green Space	9.47	36.62	27.15
P - Play	3.79	1.08	-2.71
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	7.1	7.41	0.31
SG - Sports Ground	7.1	13.98	6.88
<b>Total</b>	<b>36.92</b>	<b>71.04</b>	<b>34.12</b>

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

There are shortfalls of equipped play space, allotments, parks and recreation grounds and publically accessible sports grounds. However, due to the position of the ward beside the valley of the River Itchen and open countryside to the south-east of the town, these deficits are compensated to a considerable degree by particularly good access to high quality Natural Green Space, such as the Water Meadows and St Catherine's Hill within the SDNP. There is therefore an overall surplus of accessible open space in the Ward. The objective is to retain and protect open spaces as far as possible.



The Weirs



# WINCHESTER – ST PAUL'S WARD

POPULATION - 9968

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m²)	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	A	Greenhill Road	1,295	✓	✓	✓		
2	P	Bath Place	137	✓	✓	✓		
3	P	Nursery Gardens	292	✓	✓	✓		
4	P	Oram's Arbour	1,014	✓	✓	✓		✓
5	P	Marnhull Rise	690	✓	✓	✓		
6	P	Monarch Way play area	199	✓	✓	✓		
7	IGS	West Hill Cemetery	26,851	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
8	IGS	Airlie Corner open space	4,340	✓	✓	✓		
9	IGS	St James' Church burial ground	2,388	✓	✓	✓		✓
10	IGS	Romsey Road tree belt	10,179	✓	✓	✓		
11	IGS	Nursery Gardens	1,635	✓	✓	✓		
12	IGS	Sarum Close	1,735	✓	✓	✓		
13	PRG	Erskine Road Park	12,074	✓	✓	✓		
14	PRG	Oram's Arbour	17,352	✓	✓	✓		✓
15	SG	Kings School Sports Ground	48,229		✓	✓		
16	SG	Peter Symond's College playing fields	29,041		✓	✓		
17	SG	Westgate / Western School playing field	29,235		✓	✓		

Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	1.99	0.13	-1.86
IGS - Informal Green Space	7.97	4.71	-3.26
NGS - Natural Green Space	9.97	0	-10.0
P - Play	4.98	0.23	-4.75
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	7.48	2.94	-4.54
SG - Sports Ground	7.48	0	-7.48
<b>Total</b>	<b>39.87</b>	<b>8.01</b>	<b>-31.86</b>



West Hill Cemetery

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

Despite containing Oram's Arbour, one of the City's best parks, there is a significant shortfall of publically accessible green space in St Paul's Ward and not particularly easy access to open countryside for walkers or cyclists. This is to be expected in a historic suburb and the opportunities to add to the quantum of accessible green space are inevitably limited. The sports grounds and playing fields in the Ward are not publically accessible but are mapped and protected. The Royal Winchester Golf Club occupies a large segment of the ward but is not included in the schedule as golf courses do not form part of this assessment. The objective is to retain, protect and improve open spaces in the Ward.



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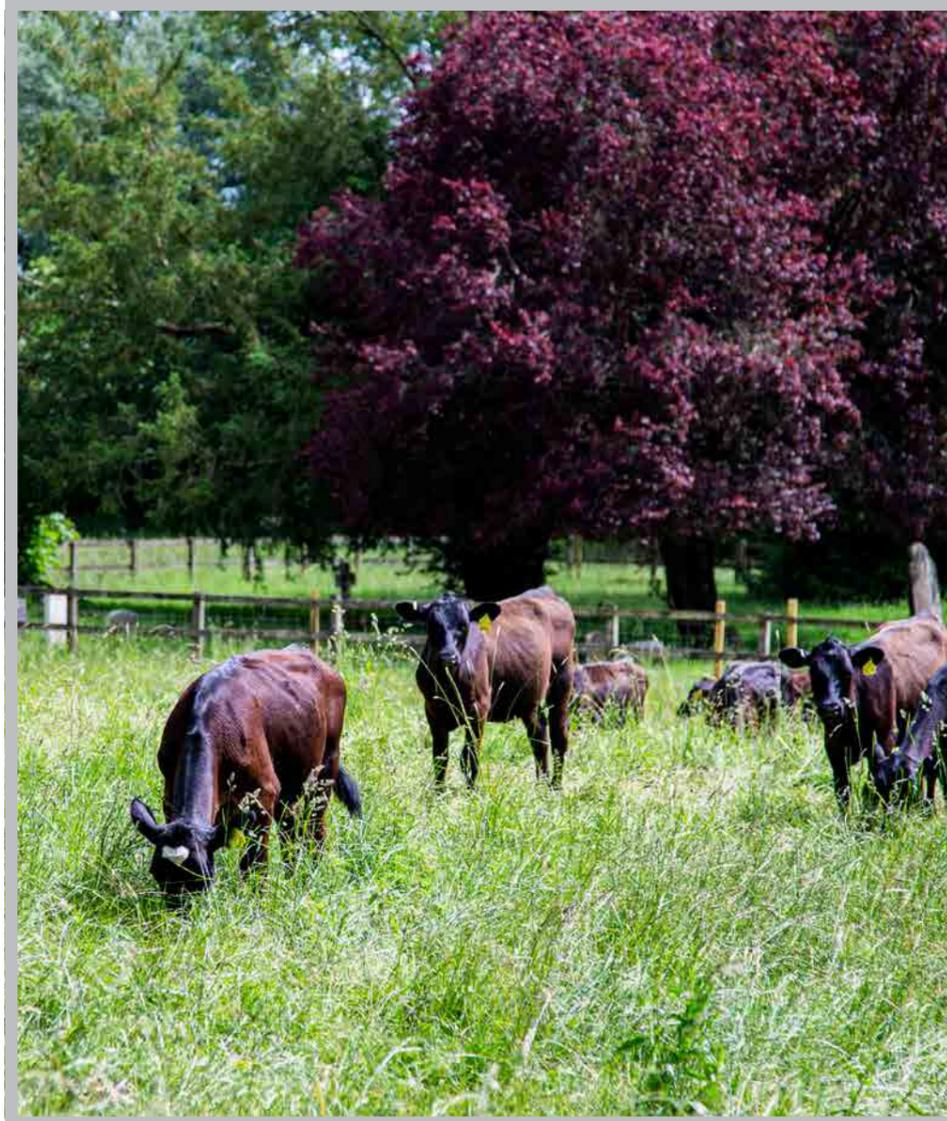
POPULATION - 1625

Ref.	Cat.	Site	Area (m²)	Public Access	Reason for Protection			
					amenity	recreation	biodiversity	heritage
1	A	Gratton Rec Allotments	3,540	✓	✓	✓		
2	P	Gratton Rec Play Area	1,728	✓	✓	✓		
3	P	Stoke Charity Playground	2,423	✓	✓	✓		
4	P	Sutton Park	466	✓	✓	✓		
5	P	Pigeon House Yard	458	✓	✓	✓		
6	IGS	Stoke Charity junction	53	✓	✓			
7	IGS	Wonston Green	73	✓	✓			
8	IGS	Saddlers Close	900	✓	✓	✓		
9	IGS	Gratton Close	2,690	✓	✓	✓		
10	PRG	Gratton Recreation Ground	38,691	✓	✓	✓		

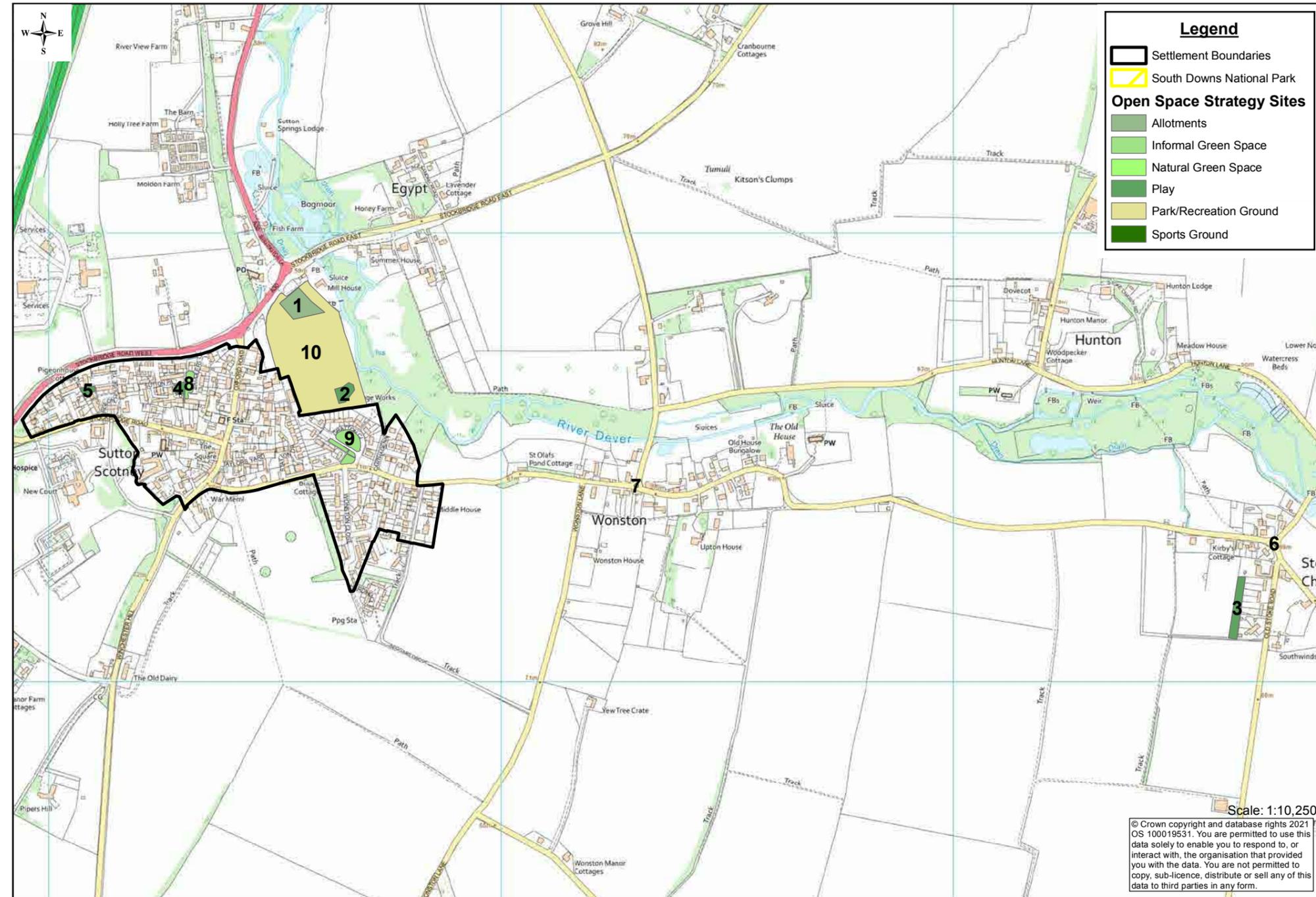
Adequacy (hectares)			
CP7 category	CP7 Requirement	Existing provision	Adequacy
A - Allotments	0.32	0.35	0.03
IGS - Informal Green Space	1.3	0.37	-0.93
NGS - Natural Green Space	1.62	0	-1.62
P - Play	0.81	0.51	-0.30
PRG - Park/Recreation Ground	1.22	3.87	2.65
SG - Sports Ground	1.22	0	-1.22
<b>Total</b>	<b>6.49</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>-1.39</b>

## NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

A parish of three rural villages: Sutton Scotney, Wonston and Stoke Charity with good access to open countryside. However, there are shortfalls in all categories of public open space apart from Parks and Recreation Grounds. There is a need to improve the children's play provision at the Gratton Recreation Ground. Improvements are also required to car parking and access.



Sutton Scotney



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The 'Open Space Assessment' is a 'background paper' to the adopted Local Plan. It lists, maps and quantifies important open spaces in and around the towns and villages of the District, where Winchester City Council is the local planning authority.

The Government says that 'access to a network of high quality open spaces and opportunities for sport and physical activity is important for the health and well-being of communities'. (NPPF c 96). It therefore requires all planning authorities to maintain a 'robust and up-to-date assessment of the need for open space' in its area, which should show where there are deficits or surpluses of open space and where there are opportunities for new open space.

It is used to identify which existing open spaces should be protected from development.

The Government says 'existing open space, sports and recreational buildings and land including playing fields should not be built on' (NPPF). All important open spaces within settlement boundaries identified in this assessment are designated in the Local Plan as protected open spaces (currently Policy DM5).

Information gained from this assessment allows the local planning authority to determine where open space is needed, which the Local Plan should then accommodate. For example, the last Open Space Assessment informed the preparation of the last Local Plan's housing allocation policies which specified for each area what open spaces were needed and how much

open space should be provided within each housing proposal, in order to avoid exacerbating shortfalls.

It is also used by house builders and developers in order for them to understand what open space they might need to provide in their plans.

NB: public open space provided by developers in this way was, in the past, frequently adopted by the council, however this is increasingly discouraged due to limited council resources. A revised procedure for transferring and adopting open space was agreed in March 2021 which now requires developers to arrange at planning stage alternative means of maintaining open space.



### Wheat Fields Between Chilcomb and Winchester

