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16 November 2023

Dear Councillor

I am now able to enclose, for consideration at the meeting of the **ELECTORAL MATTERS COMMITTEE** on Monday 20 November 2023 at 6.00 pm, the following reports that were unavailable when the agenda was printed.

4 **MINUTES** (Pages 2 - 3)

To confirm the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 18 September 2023.

5 **STATUTORY REVIEW OF POLLING DISTRICTS** (Pages 4 - 96)

To consider the report of the Electoral Services Manager.

Yours sincerely

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Chief Executive

Minutes of the meeting of the **ELECTORAL MATTERS COMMITTEE** held at the Council Offices, Whitfield on Monday, 18 September 2023 at 6.00 pm.

Present:

Chairman: Councillor K Mills

Councillors: S H Beer
D R Friend (as substitute for Councillor T J Bartlett)
J L Pout
C A Vinson

Officers: Chief Executive
Strategic Director (Corporate and Regulatory)
Electoral Services Manager
Head of Corporate Services and Democracy

1 APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was received from Councillor T J Bartlett.

2 APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

It was noted that in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4, Councillor D R Friend had been appointed as substitute member for Councillor T J Bartlett.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made by Members.

4 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 22 January 2019 were approved as a correct record for signing by the Chairman.

5 STATUTORY REVIEW OF POLLING DISTRICTS

The Electoral Services Manager presented the report on the Statutory Review of Polling Districts.

Members were advised that the Council had a duty under legislation to divide its area into polling districts and to designate a polling place for each polling district. The Council was required to carry out a review of the Polling Districts by no later than 31 January 2025.

The consultation process would be launched on 2 October 2023 and there would be two periods of consultation. Following this, the Council would be asked to determine the Polling District Scheme to be used for Parliamentary and Local Government Elections and Referenda. The Electoral Registration Officer would make any changes agreed and publish the register to reflect the changes.

Members discussed the proposed changes for the Aylesham Polling District and the situation with other polling districts.

It was proposed by Councillor S H Beer, duly seconded by Councillor D R Friend and

RESOLVED: That the Polling District Scheme be approved for consultation.

The meeting ended at 6.06 pm.

Subject:	STATUTORY REVIEW OF POLLING DISTRICTS
Meeting and Date:	Electoral Matters Committee – 20 November 2023 Council – 29 November 2023
Report of:	Electoral Services Manager
Decision Type:	Non-Executive
Classification:	Unrestricted

Purpose of the report: The Council started its statutory review of Polling Districts, Places and Stations on 02 October 2023. This report covers the recommendations in relation to the responses received during the consultation and seeks agreement to amend the current scheme to one of the options listed.

Recommendation: Electoral Matters Committee:

(a) To consider the proposed Polling District, Polling Places and Polling Stations Scheme and make recommendations to Council.

Council:

(a) To approve the recommended proposals for the Polling District, Polling Places and Polling Stations Scheme

1. Summary

- 1.1 Under the Representation of the People Act 1983, the Council has a duty to divide its area into polling districts and to designate a polling place for each district. The Electoral Administration Act 2006 requires the Council to undertake and complete a review of Polling Districts and Places between 1 October 2023 and 31 January 2025 (inclusive).
- 1.2 The current polling place scheme is not recommended by the Electoral Commission, so we are seeking to delegate the power to designate polling places to the relevant (Acting) Returning Officer / Returning Officer in the case of polling stations needing to be changed.
- 1.3 The Electoral Matters Committee considered the existing scheme and determined whether any changes should be proposed prior to consulting on the scheme.
- 1.4 Following the consultation process, the Electoral Matters Committee will consider the relevant responses received and make recommendations to Council.
- 1.5 Council will determine the Polling District Scheme to be used for Parliamentary and Local Government Elections and Referenda. The Electoral Registration Officer will make any changes agreed and publish the register on 1 December 2023 reflecting the changes.

2. Introduction and Background

Designating Polling Districts

- 2.1 A Polling District is the geographical sub-division of an electoral area, eg UK Parliamentary constituency, a ward or an electoral division.
- 2.2 The Council is responsible for dividing its area into polling districts for UK Parliamentary elections and for keeping the polling districts under review. Please note that ward boundaries cannot be altered as part of this review, only Polling Districts.
- 2.3 Although there is no requirement to sub-divide local government electoral wards into polling districts, it is recognised good practice to do so. When doing so, every effort must be made to ensure that the polling district scheme for Local Government elections mirrors as closely as possible that agreed for Parliamentary elections.
- 2.4 When designating polling districts, the Council must seek to ensure that all the electors in the Constituency have such reasonable facilities for voting as are practicable in the circumstances.
- 2.5 In addition, and unless there are special circumstances that lead the Council to determine otherwise, each parish must be in a separate polling district.
- 2.6 The proposed Polling Districts Scheme follows the already established polling district boundaries with the exception of the polling district in Aylesham. A copy of the proposed Polling Districts Scheme including the estimated Electorate figures and local and Parliamentary turn out are attached at **Appendix 1** together with the maps depicting the proposed polling district boundary changes at **Appendix 2** and the maps of the existing polling districts at **Appendix 3**.

Polling Place

- 2.7 A polling place is the building or area in which polling stations will be selected by the (Acting) Returning Officer. A polling place within a polling district should be designated so that it is obvious when an elector arrives at the polling place address where the polling station is located.
- 2.8 There must be a designated polling place in every polling district, unless special circumstances make it desirable to designate an area either wholly or partly outside of the polling district.
- 2.9 The polling places must be kept under review.
- 2.10 The current Scheme designates the polling place as follows:-

Each Polling District to be designated as the polling place. Where no suitable Polling Station is available the Returning Officer be authorised to designate an adjoining Polling District for that polling place.
- 2.11 The Electoral Commission do not recommend a whole polling district is designated as a polling place as this does not indicate the location of the polling station. In certain situations, it might not be practicable to await formal approval from the Electoral Matters Committee and Full Council in order to designate a new polling

place – for example, where a building becomes unavailable during the run up to an election or during the election planning phase.

For a practical solution, we recommend the power to designate polling places in accordance with section 18 and 18B of the Representation of the People Act 1983 is delegated to the relevant (Acting) Returning Officer (ARO) / Returning Officer (RO). This will enable the ARO / RO to find an alternative polling station and designate a new polling place at the same time, speeding up the process and allowing the election planning to continue unimpeded.

Polling Stations

- 2.12 A Polling Station is the room or building where the process of voting takes place and must be located within the polling place designated for the polling district. The function of appointing polling stations is the responsibility of the (Acting) Returning Officer for Parliamentary elections and the Returning Officer for local government elections.

3. Consultation

- 3.1 Representations have been invited on the Polling District Scheme and current polling places / stations. The consultation was included on the Council website, sent out via Keep Me Posted, and posters sent to the town and parish clerks for display on their noticeboards.
- 3.2 In addition to consulting elected representatives, the Acting Returning Officers for the current Parliamentary Constituencies of Dover and of South Thanet, the Acting Returning Officer's for the new Dover and Deal Constituency and the new Herne Bay and Sandwich Constituency, local disability groups and local political parties were also consulted.
- 3.3 **Appendix 4** shows the responses relevant to the consultation. The only issues to come to light from the responses were the positioning of the polling stations for Buckland (South) (representation 16), Sandwich (North) (representations 9,13 & 36) and Middle Deal (Park) (representation 19), which are the responsibility of the (Acting) Returning Officer and not the Council. The ARO response to those representations is included in **Appendix 4**. There was a request to make Sandwich one ward and one polling station instead of two (representation 36), but this review cannot alter town or parish boundaries and one polling station would not be possible under the current maximum figures to attend a polling station to vote as recommended by the Electoral Commission.
- 3.4 There were no negative responses to the original proposals put forward in **Appendix 1 and 2**. The final summary of proposed changes can be found at **Appendix 5**.

4 Identification of Options

4.1 Option 1:

- (a) That the current scheme be amended to incorporate all the recommendations of the (Acting) Returning Officer (ARO) for the Dover / Dover and Deal Parliamentary Constituency (as per the summary at Appendix 5).

- (b) That the power to designate polling places is delegated to the relevant ARO / RO. This will enable the ARO / RO to find an alternative polling station and designate a new polling place at the same time, speeding up the process and allowing the election planning to continue unimpeded.
- (c) The Parliamentary Polling Districts and Polling Places be designated as the Polling Districts and Polling Places for Local Government Elections.

Option 1 is the recommended option.

4.2 Option 2:

- (a) To amend the current scheme in some way to be determined by the Committee / Council.
- (b) That the power to designate polling places is delegated to the relevant ARO / RO. This will enable the ARO / RO to find an alternative polling station and designate a new polling place at the same time, speeding up the process and allowing the election planning to continue unimpeded.
- (c) The Parliamentary Polling Districts and Polling Places be designated as the Polling Districts and Polling Places for Local Government Elections.

4. Evaluation of Options

- (a) Option 1 is the recommended option as both statutory and non-statutory consultees have had the opportunity to comment on the proposals.
- (b) Option 2 is not recommended as any changes proposed would not have been included in the consultation process and therefore would have prevented the statutory and non-statutory consultees from commenting on the changes.

5. Resource Implications

There are no financial implications in designating the Polling Districts however the cost of elections will be affected by the number of Polling Stations used.

6. Appendices

Appendix 1 – The Current and Proposed Polling District Scheme with the estimated Parliamentary electorate and local and Parliamentary turn-out figures.

Appendix 2 – Maps of the proposed changes to polling district boundaries.

Appendix 3 – Maps of the existing polling district boundaries.

Appendix 4 – Responses received to the consultation.

Appendix 5 – Summary of Proposed Changes

7. Background Papers

Representation of the People Act 1983

Electoral Administration Act 2006.
Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places (Parliamentary Elections) Regulations
2006.

The Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013

Contact Officer: Tracy Gibbs – Electoral Services Manager

Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places (Parliamentary Elections) Regulations 2006

Current Polling District / Polling Place Scheme					Electoral Commission guidance states there should be no more than 2,250 electors allocated to vote at each polling station	Eligible Electorate Breakdown		Total eligible electorate	Polling Station % turnout parliamentary Dec 2019	Polling Station % turnout local elections May 2023
Current Constituency	District Ward	Parish/Parish Ward	Polling District Letters	Polling District Name(s)	Polling Place / Polling Station used at last election (May 2023)	Postal Voters	Polling Station Voters			
Dover	Alkham & Capel-le-Ferne	Alkham Parish	PAK	Alkham	Alkham Village Hall, Hogbrook Hill, Alkham, Dover	107	480	587	58%	28%
Dover	Alkham & Capel-le-Ferne	Capel-le-Ferne Parish	PCF	Capel-le-Ferne	Capel-Le-Ferne Village Hall (Small Hall), Lancaster Avenue, Capel-Le-Ferne, Folkestone,	331	1,329	1,660	55%	18%
Dover	Alkham & Capel-le-Ferne	Hougham Without Parish	PHM	Hougham	Hougham Village Hall, West Hougham, Dover	67	313	380	61%	20%
Dover	Aylesham, Eythorne & Shepherdswell	Aylesham Parish	PAY	Aylesham	Aylesham Baptist Free Church, Dorman Avenue South, Aylesham	210	1,943	2,153	51%	20%
					St Finbarr's Church, Market Place, Aylesham, Kent	272	1,879	2,151	52%	21%
Dover	Aylesham, Eythorne & Shepherdswell	Eythorne Parish/Eythorne Ward / Barfestone Ward	PEX1,PEX2	Eythorne, Barfestone	Eythorne Baptist Church Hall, Chapel Hill, Eythorne, Dover, Kent	251	1,000	1,251	55%	20%
Dover	Aylesham, Eythorne & Shepherdswell	Eythorne Parish/ Elvington Ward	PEX3	Elvington	Elvington Community Centre, St John's Road, Elvington, Dover, Kent	113	548	661	40%	18%
Dover	Aylesham, Eythorne & Shepherdswell	Nonington Parish	PNN	Nonington	Nonington Village Hall, Easole Street, Nonington, Dover	87	569	656	53%	24%
Dover	Aylesham, Eythorne & Shepherdswell	Shepherdswell with Coldred Parish/ Shepherdswell Ward / Coldred Ward	PSL1,PSL2	Shepherdswell, Coldred	Shepherdswell Village Hall, Coxhill, Shepherdswell	307	1,195	1,502	58%	24%
Dover	Buckland	Dover Town/Buckland Ward	BC1	Buckland (North)	Buckland Community Centre, Roosevelt Road, Dover	338	2,075	2,413	41%	12%
Dover	Buckland	Dover Town/Buckland Ward	BC2	Buckland (South)	The Phoenix Railway Social Club, Crabble Road, Dover	518	2,132	2,650	45%	11%
Dover	Dover Downs & River	Denton with Wootton Parish	PDD	Denton	Denton Village Hall, The Street, Denton	16	134	150	65%	32%
Dover	Dover Downs & River	Denton with Wootton Parish	PDW	Wootton	Wootton Village Hall, Wootton Lane, Wootton	10	140	150	66%	44%
Dover	Dover Downs & River	Lydden Parish	PLN	Lydden	Lydden Village Hall, 83 Canterbury Road, Lydden, Dover	96	500	596	64%	31%
Dover	Dover Downs & River	River Parish	PRV	River	River Village Hall, Common Lane, River, Dover, Kent	330	1,285	1,615	57%	25%
					River Village Hall, Common Lane, River, Dover, Kent	296	1,077	1,373	54%	22%
Dover	Dover Downs & River	Temple Ewell Parish	PTE	Temple Ewell	Temple Ewell Village Hall, 187 London Road, Temple Ewell, Dover	248	1,122	1,370	58%	23%
Dover	Eastry Rural	Eastry Parish	PEA	Eastry	Eastry Village Hall, High Street, Eastry, Sandwich, Kent	291	1,595	1,886	58%	25%
Dover	Eastry Rural	Northbourne Parish	PNR	Northbourne	Northbourne Parish Hall, The Drove, Northbourne	93	470	563	60%	31%
Dover	Eastry Rural	Sholden Parish/ Sholden Ward	PSHE	Eastry Rural (Sholden)	Scout H.Q., The Street, Sholden, Deal	118	684	802	61%	30%
Dover	Eastry Rural	Sutton Parish	PSU	Sutton	Sutton Parish Community Centre, Downs Road, East Studdal, Dover	105	503	608	60%	26%
Dover	Eastry Rural	Tilmanstone Parish	PTI	Tilmanstone	Tilmanstone Village Hall, Chapel Road, Tilmanstone, Deal	49	232	281	62%	38%
South Thanet	Eastry Rural	Worth Parish/Village Ward	TWR1	Eastry Rural (Worth Village)	Worth Parish Hall, The Street, Worth, Deal	90	564	654	Data not held by DDC	29%
Dover	Guston, Kingsdown & St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	Great Mongeham Parish	PGM	Great Mongeham	Great Mongeham Parish Hall, 170 Mongeham Road, Deal	100	475	575	59%	28%
Dover	Guston, Kingsdown & St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	Guston Parish	PGS	Guston	Burgoyne Heights Community Centre, Burgoyne Heights, Guston, Dover	113	518	631	53%	22%
Dover	Guston, Kingsdown & St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	Langdon Parish	PLG	East Langdon	East Langdon Parish Hall, The Street, East Langdon, Dover	96	380	476	58%	25%
Dover	Guston, Kingsdown & St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	Ringwould with Kingsdown Parish	PRG	Ringwould	Ringwould Village Hall, Dover Road, Ringwould, Deal	63	261	324	57%	23%
Dover	Guston, Kingsdown & St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	Ringwould with Kingsdown Parish	PRK	Kingsdown	Kingsdown & Ringwould CE School, Glen Road, Kingsdown, Deal	312	985	1,297	58%	32%
Dover	Guston, Kingsdown & St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	Ripple Parish	PRP	Ripple	Ripple Village Hall, Sutton Road, Ripple, Deal	41	255	296	60%	23%
Dover	Guston, Kingsdown & St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	St Margaret's-at-Cliffe Parish	PSM	St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	St Margaret's-At-Cliffe Village Hall, Reach Road, St Margaret's -At-Cliffe	480	1,640	2,120	58%	25%
Dover	Maxton & Elms Vale	Dover Town /Maxton and Elms Vale Ward	BME	Maxton & Elms Vale	St Martin's Church Hall, Church Road, Dover	286	1,221	1,507	50%	19%
					St Martin's Church Hall, Church Road, Dover	243	1,153	1,396	51%	21%

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Dover	Middle Deal	Deal Town/Middle Deal Ward	AMD1	Middle Deal (Manor)	Deal Christian Fellowship Hall, Sutherland Road, Deal	412	1,652	2,064	54%	28%
Dover	Middle Deal	Deal Town/Middle Deal Ward	AMD2	Middle Deal (Park)	Linwood Youth Centre, Victoria Park, Park Avenue, Deal	229	1,265	1,494	50%	20%
Dover	Middle Deal	Deal Town/Middle Deal Ward	AMD3	Middle Deal (Upper)	Warden House School, Birdwood Avenue, Deal	221	1,075	1,296	51%	21%
Dover	Middle Deal	Sholden Parish/Hyton Ward	PSHM	Middle Deal (Hyton)	Warden House School, Birdwood Avenue, Deal	118	554	672	52%	14%
Dover	Mill Hill	Deal Town/Mill Hill Ward	AMH1	Mill Hill (South)	Deal Pentecostal Church, 69 Mill Hill, Deal, Kent	334	1,880	2,214	50%	21%
Dover	Mill Hill	Deal Town/Mill Hill Ward	AMH2	Mill Hill (North)	The Godric Centre, Rear of St John's R C Church, St Richard's Road, Deal	272	1,134	1,406	53%	25%
Dover	Mill Hill	Deal Town/Mill Hill Ward	AMH3	Mill Hill (West)	The Sports Centre, Off Cavell Square, Deal	443	1,741	2,184	45%	19%
Dover	North Deal	Deal Town/North Deal Ward / Sholden Parish/Tenants Hill Ward	AN1,PSHN	North Deal (Sandown), North Deal (Tenants Hill)	The Golf Road Centre, 28 Golf Road, Deal, Kent	300	1,677	1,977	52%	25%
Dover	North Deal	Deal Town/North Deal Ward	AN2	North Deal (St Andrews)	Cleary Hall, Landmark Centre, 129 High Street, Deal	372	1,360	1,732	56%	29%
Dover	North Deal	Deal Town/North Deal Ward	AN3	North Deal (Victoria)	Salvation Army Hall, 56 West Street, Deal, Kent	210	934	1,144	54%	27%
Dover	North Deal	Walmer Parish/Gladstone Ward	AW4N	North Deal (Gladstone)	Walmer Sea Scout Hall, Marine Road, Walmer, Deal, Kent	146	611	757	54%	29%
Dover	St Radigund's	Dover Town/St Radigund's Ward	BR1	St Radigund's (West)	St Radigunds Community Centre, Poulton Close, Dover, Kent	185	1,443	1,628	31%	11%
Dover	St Radigund's	Dover Town/St Radigund's Ward	BR2	St Radigund's (East)	ACF Hall, London Road, Dover, Kent	261	1,248	1,509	39%	10%
Dover	St Radigund's	Dover Town/St Radigund's Ward	BR3	St Radigund's (Town)	Dover Baptist Church Hall, 27-32 Maison Dieu Road, Dover	170	948	1,118	46%	18%
Dover	Tower Hamlets	Dover Town/Tower Hamlets Ward	BTH1	Tower Hamlets (West)	One Church, Noah's Ark Road, Dover, Kent	125	974	1,099	42%	15%
Dover	Tower Hamlets	Dover Town/Tower Hamlets Ward	BTH2	Tower Hamlets (East)	Curzon Hall, Curzon Road, Dover	217	1,338	1,555	44%	13%
Dover	Town & Castle	Dover Town/Town and Castle Ward	BT1	Town & Castle (Priory)	Clarendon and Westbury Community Centre, Belgrave Road, Dover	291	1,895	2,186	44%	15%
Dover	Town & Castle	Dover Town /Town and Castle Ward	BT2	Town & Castle (Castle)	St Mary's Parish Centre, Dieu Stone Lane, Dover	323	1,369	1,692	45%	19%
Dover	Town & Castle	Dover Town/Town and Castle Ward	BT3	Town & Castle (Aycliffe)	Aycliffe Community Primary School, St Davids Avenue, Aycliffe, Dover, Kent	131	732	863	48%	15%
Dover	Town & Castle	Dover Town/Town and Castle Ward	BT4	Town & Castle (Redoubt)	Dover Unitarian Church Hall, Adrian Street, Dover, Kent	82	441	523	38%	14%
Dover	Walmer	Walmer Parish/Upper Walmer Ward	AW1	Walmer (Upper Walmer)	Walmer Chapel (Rear Hall), 30 Station Road, Walmer, Deal	445	1,690	2,135	57%	27%
Dover	Walmer	Walmer Parish/Wellington Ward	AW2	Walmer (Wellington)	Walmer Parish Hall, Dover Road, Walmer, Deal	451	1,854	2,305	57%	26%
Dover	Walmer	Walmer Parish/St Saviour's Ward	AW3	Walmer (St Saviour's)	St Saviour's Church, The Strand, Walmer, Deal	235	997	1,232	58%	33%
Dover	Whitfield	Dover Town/Buckland Ward	BCW1	Whitfield (Rokesley)	Dover Christ Church Academy, Melbourne Avenue, Whitfield, Dover, Kent	77	355	432	32%	6%
Dover	Whitfield	Whitfield Parish	PWH1	Whitfield (North)	Whitfield Village Hall, Sandwich Road, Whitfield, Dover	436	1,567	2,003	53%	18%
					Whitfield Village Hall, Sandwich Road, Whitfield, Dover	356	1,494	1,850	56%	18%
Dover	Whitfield	Whitfield Parish	PWH2	Whitfield (South)	Dover Christ Church Academy, Melbourne Avenue, Whitfield, Dover, Kent	138	705	843	43%	11%
South Thanet	Little Stour & Ashstone	Ash Parish	TAS	Ash	Ash Village Hall - Main Hall, Queens Road, Ash, Canterbury	374	2,220	2,594	Data not held by DDC	21%
South Thanet	Little Stour & Ashstone	Goodnestone Parish	TGD	Goodnestone	Goodnestone Village Hall, The Street, Goodnestone, Canterbury	45	264	309	Data not held by DDC	32%
South Thanet	Little Stour & Ashstone	Preston Parish	TPR	Preston	Preston Village Hall, Mill Lane, Preston, Canterbury	105	621	726	Data not held by DDC	24%
South Thanet	Little Stour & Ashstone	Staple Parish	TSP	Staple	Staple Village Hall, Mill Road, Staple, Canterbury	69	384	453	Data not held by DDC	34%
South Thanet	Little Stour & Ashstone	Stourmouth Parish	TST	Stourmouth	The Rising Sun Inn, The Street, East Stourmouth	23	204	227	Data not held by DDC	31%
South Thanet	Little Stour & Ashstone	Wingham Parish	TWG	Wingham	Wingham Village Hall, School Lane, Wingham, Canterbury	221	1,155	1,376	Data not held by DDC	26%

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South Thanet	Sandwich	Sandwich Town/Sandwich North Ward / Worth Parish/Sandwich Bay Ward	TSA,TWR2	Sandwich (North), Sandwich (Sandwich Bay)	Sandwich United Reformed Church, 12 Cattle Market, Sandwich, Kent	424	1,753	2,177	Data not held by DDC	30%
South Thanet	Sandwich	Sandwich Town/Sandwich South Ward	TSB	Sandwich (South)	The Jubilee Centre, Jubilee Road, Sandwich	316	1,700	2,016	Data not held by DDC	22%
South Thanet	Sandwich	Woodnesborough Parish	TWN	Woodnesborough	Woodnesborough Village Hall, Elmwood Park, Woodnesborough, Sandwich, Kent	132	876	1,008	Data not held by DDC	28%

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Proposed Polling District / Polling Places Scheme Changes marked in red							Electoral Commission guidance states there should be no more than 2,250 electors allocated to vote at each polling station	Eligible Electorate Breakdown		
Current Constituency	Future Constituency	District Ward	Parish/Parish Ward	Polling District Letters (Current)	Polling District Letters (Amended)	Polling District Name(s) (New)	Polling Place / Polling Station used at last election (May 2023)	Postal Voters	Polling Station Voters	Total eligible electorate
Dover	Dover & Deal	Alkham & Capel-le-Ferne	Alkham Parish	PAK	PAK	Alkham	Alkham Village Hall, Hogbrook Hill, Alkham, Dover	107	480	587
Dover	Dover & Deal	Alkham & Capel-le-Ferne	Capel-le-Ferne Parish	PCF	PCF	Capel-le-Ferne	Capel-Le-Ferne Village Hall (Small Hall), Lancaster Avenue, Capel-Le-Ferne, Folkestone, Kent	331	1,329	1,660
Dover	Dover & Deal	Alkham & Capel-le-Ferne	Hougham Without Parish	PHM	PHM	Hougham	Hougham Village Hall, West Hougham, Dover	67	313	380
Dover	Dover & Deal	Aylesham, Eythorne & Shepherdswell	Aylesham Parish	PAY	PAY1	Aylesham (West)	Aylesham Baptist Free Church, Dorman Avenue South, Aylesham (electorate numbers are likely to change once split finalised)	210	1,943	2,153
					PAY2	Aylesham (East)	St Finbarr's Church, Market Place, Aylesham, Kent (electorate numbers are likely to change once split finalised)	272	1,879	2,151
Dover	Dover & Deal	Aylesham, Eythorne & Shepherdswell	Eythorne Parish/Eythorne Ward / Barfestone Ward	PEX1, PEX2	PEX1,PEX2	Eythorne, Barfestone	Eythorne Baptist Church Hall, Chapel Hill, Eythorne, Dover, Kent	251	1,000	1,251
Dover	Dover & Deal	Aylesham, Eythorne & Shepherdswell	Eythorne Parish/ Elvington Ward	PEX3	PEX3	Elvington	Elvington Community Centre, St John's Road, Elvington, Dover, Kent	113	548	661
Dover	Dover & Deal	Aylesham, Eythorne & Shepherdswell	Nonington Parish	PNN	PNN	Nonington	Nonington Village Hall, Easole Street, Nonington, Dover	87	569	656
Dover	Dover & Deal	Aylesham, Eythorne & Shepherdswell	Shepherdswell with Coldred Parish/Shepherdswell Ward / Coldred Ward	PSL1, PSL2	PSL1,PSL2	Shepherdswell, Coldred	Shepherdswell Village Hall, Coxhill, Shepherdswell	307	1,195	1,502
Dover	Dover & Deal	Buckland	Dover Town/Buckland Ward	BC1	BC1	Buckland (North)	Buckland Community Centre, Roosevelt Road, Dover	338	2,075	2,413
Dover	Dover & Deal	Buckland	Dover Town/Buckland Ward	BC2	BC2	Buckland (South)	The Phoenix Railway Social Club, Crabble Road, Dover	518	2,132	2,650
Dover	Dover & Deal	Dover Downs & River	Denton with Wootton Parish	PDD	PDD	Denton	Denton Village Hall, The Street, Denton	16	134	150
Dover	Dover & Deal	Dover Downs & River	Denton with Wootton Parish	PDW	PDW	Wootton	Wootton Village Hall, Wootton Lane, Wootton	10	140	150
Dover	Dover & Deal	Dover Downs & River	Lydden Parish	PLN	PLN	Lydden	Lydden Village Hall, 83 Canterbury Road, Lydden, Dover	96	500	596
Dover	Dover & Deal	Dover Downs & River	River Parish	PRV	PRV	River	River Village Hall, Common Lane, River, Dover, Kent	330	1,285	1,615
							River Village Hall, Common Lane, River, Dover, Kent	296	1,077	1,373
Dover	Dover & Deal	Dover Downs & River	Temple Ewell Parish	PTE	PTE	Temple Ewell	Temple Ewell Village Hall, 187 London Road, Temple Ewell, Dover	248	1,122	1,370
Dover	Dover & Deal	Eastry Rural	Eastry Parish	PEA	PEA	Eastry	Eastry Village Hall, High Street, Eastry, Sandwich, Kent	291	1,595	1,886
Dover	Dover & Deal	Eastry Rural	Northbourne Parish	PNR	PNR	Northbourne	Northbourne Parish Hall, The Drove, Northbourne	93	470	563
Dover	Dover & Deal	Eastry Rural	Sholden Parish/ Sholden Ward	PSHE	PSHE	Eastry Rural (Sholden)	Scout H.Q., The Street, Sholden, Deal	118	684	802
Dover	Dover & Deal	Eastry Rural	Sutton Parish	PSU	PSU	Sutton	Sutton Parish Community Centre, Downs Road, East Studdal, Dover	105	503	608
Dover	Dover & Deal	Eastry Rural	Tilmanstone Parish	PTI	PTI	Tilmanstone	Tilmanstone Village Hall, Chapel Road, Tilmanstone, Deal	49	232	281
South Thanet	Dover & Deal	Eastry Rural	Worth Parish/Village Ward	TWR1	PWR	Eastry Rural (Worth Village)	Worth Parish Hall, The Street, Worth, Deal	90	564	654
Dover	Dover & Deal	Guston, Kingsdown & St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	Great Mongeham Parish	PGM	PGM	Great Mongeham	Great Mongeham Parish Hall, 170 Mongeham Road, Deal	100	475	575
Dover	Dover & Deal	Guston, Kingsdown & St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	Guston Parish	PGS	PGS	Guston	Burgoyne Heights Community Centre, Burgoyne Heights, Guston, Dover	113	518	631
Dover	Dover & Deal	Guston, Kingsdown & St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	Langdon Parish	PLG	PLG	East Langdon	East Langdon Parish Hall, The Street, East Langdon, Dover	96	380	476

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Dover	Dover & Deal	Guston, Kingsdown & St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	Ringwould with Kingsdown Parish	PRG	PRG	Ringwould	Ringwould Village Hall, Dover Road, Ringwould, Deal	63	261	324
Dover	Dover & Deal	Guston, Kingsdown & St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	Ringwould with Kingsdown Parish	PRK	PRK	Kingsdown	Kingsdown & Ringwould CE School, Glen Road, Kingsdown, Deal	312	985	1,297
Dover	Dover & Deal	Guston, Kingsdown & St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	Ripple Parish	PRP	PRP	Ripple	Ripple Village Hall, Sutton Road, Ripple, Deal	41	255	296
Dover	Dover & Deal	Guston, Kingsdown & St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	St Margaret's-at-Cliffe Parish	PSM	PSM	St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	St Margaret's-At-Cliffe Village Hall, Reach Road, St Margaret's -At-Cliffe	480	1,640	2,120
Dover	Dover & Deal	Maxton & Elms Vale	Dover Town /Maxton and Elms Vale Ward	BME	BME	Maxton & Elms Vale	St Martin's Church Hall, Church Road, Dover	286	1,221	1,507
							St Martin's Church Hall, Church Road, Dover	243	1,153	1,396
Dover	Dover & Deal	Middle Deal	Deal Town/Middle Deal Ward	AMD1	AMD1	Middle Deal (Manor)	Deal Christian Fellowship Hall, Sutherland Road, Deal	412	1,652	2,064
Dover	Dover & Deal	Middle Deal	Deal Town/Middle Deal Ward	AMD2	AMD2	Middle Deal (Park)	Linwood Youth Centre, Victoria Park, Park Avenue, Deal	229	1,265	1,494
Dover	Dover & Deal	Middle Deal	Deal Town/Middle Deal Ward	AMD3	AMD3	Middle Deal (Upper)	Warden House School, Birdwood Avenue, Deal	221	1,075	1,296
Dover	Dover & Deal	Middle Deal	Sholden Parish/Hyton Ward	PSHM	PSHM	Middle Deal (Hyton)	Warden House School, Birdwood Avenue, Deal	118	554	672
Dover	Dover & Deal	Mill Hill	Deal Town/Mill Hill Ward	AMH1	AMH1	Mill Hill (South)	Deal Pentecostal Church, 69 Mill Hill, Deal, Kent	334	1,880	2,214
Dover	Dover & Deal	Mill Hill	Deal Town/Mill Hill Ward	AMH2	AMH2	Mill Hill (North)	The Godric Centre, Rear of St John's R C Church, St Richard's Road, Deal	272	1,134	1,406
Dover	Dover & Deal	Mill Hill	Deal Town/Mill Hill Ward	AMH3	AMH3	Mill Hill (West)	The Sports Centre, Off Cavell Square, Deal	443	1,741	2,184
Dover	Dover & Deal	North Deal	Deal Town/North Deal Ward / Sholden Parish/ Tenants Hill Ward	AN1,PSHN	AN1,PSHN	North Deal (Sandown), North Deal (Tenants Hill)	The Golf Road Centre, 28 Golf Road, Deal, Kent	300	1,677	1,977
Dover	Dover & Deal	North Deal	Deal Town/North Deal Ward	AN2	AN2	North Deal (St Andrews)	Cleary Hall, Landmark Centre, 129 High Street, Deal	372	1,360	1,732
Dover	Dover & Deal	North Deal	Deal Town/North Deal Ward	AN3	AN3	North Deal (Victoria)	Salvation Army Hall, 56 West Street, Deal, Kent	210	934	1,144
Dover	Dover & Deal	North Deal	Walmer Parish/Gladstone Ward	AW4N	AW4N	North Deal (Gladstone)	Walmer Sea Scout Hall, Marine Road, Walmer, Deal, Kent	146	611	757
Dover	Dover & Deal	St Radigund's	Dover Town/St Radigund's Ward	BR1	BR1	St Radigund's (West)	St Radigunds Community Centre, Poulton Close, Dover, Kent	185	1,443	1,628
Dover	Dover & Deal	St Radigund's	Dover Town/St Radigund's Ward	BR2	BR2	St Radigund's (East)	ACF Hall, London Road, Dover, Kent	261	1,248	1,509
Dover	Dover & Deal	St Radigund's	Dover Town/St Radigund's Ward	BR3	BR3	St Radigund's (Town)	Dover Baptist Church Hall, 27-32 Maison Dieu Road, Dover	170	948	1,118
Dover	Dover & Deal	Tower Hamlets	Dover Town/Tower Hamlets Ward	BTH1	BTH1	Tower Hamlets (West)	One Church, Noah's Ark Road, Dover, Kent	125	974	1,099
Dover	Dover & Deal	Tower Hamlets	Dover Town/Tower Hamlets Ward	BTH2	BTH2	Tower Hamlets (East)	Curzon Hall, Curzon Road, Dover	217	1,338	1,555
Dover	Dover & Deal	Town & Castle	Dover Town/Town and Castle Ward	BT1	BT1	Town & Castle (Priory)	Clarendon and Westbury Community Centre, Belgrave Road, Dover	291	1,895	2,186
Dover	Dover & Deal	Town & Castle	DoverTown /Town and Castle Ward	BT2	BT2	Town & Castle (Castle)	St Mary's Parish Centre, Dieu Stone Lane, Dover	323	1,369	1,692
Dover	Dover & Deal	Town & Castle	Dover Town/Town and Castle Ward	BT3	BT3	Town & Castle (Aycliffe)	Aycliffe Community Primary School, St Davids Avenue, Aycliffe, Dover	131	732	863
Dover	Dover & Deal	Town & Castle	Dover Town/Town and Castle Ward	BT4	BT4	Town & Castle (Redoubt)	Dover Unitarian Church Hall, Adrian Street, Dover, Kent	82	441	523

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Dover	Dover & Deal	Walmer	Walmer Parish/Upper Walmer Ward	AW1	AW1	Walmer (Upper Walmer)	Walmer Chapel (Rear Hall), 30 Station Road, Walmer, Deal	445	1,690	2,135
Dover	Dover & Deal	Walmer	Walmer Parish/Wellington Ward	AW2	AW2	Walmer (Wellington)	Walmer Parish Hall, Dover Road, Walmer, Deal	451	1,854	2,305
Dover	Dover & Deal	Walmer	Walmer Parish/St Saviour's Ward	AW3	AW3	Walmer (St Saviour's)	St Saviour's Church, The Strand, Walmer, Deal	235	997	1,232
Dover	Dover & Deal	Whitfield	Dover Town/Buckland Ward	BCW1	BCW1	Whitfield (Rokesley)	Dover Christ Church Academy, Melbourne Avenue, Whitfield, Dover, Kent	77	355	432
Dover	Dover & Deal	Whitfield	Whitfield Parish	PWH1	PWH1	Whitfield (North)	Whitfield Village Hall, Sandwich Road, Whitfield, Dover	436	1,567	2,003
							Whitfield Village Hall, Sandwich Road, Whitfield, Dover	356	1,494	1,850
Dover	Dover & Deal	Whitfield	Whitfield Parish	PWH2	PWH2	Whitfield (South)	Dover Christ Church Academy, Melbourne Avenue, Whitfield, Dover, Kent	138	705	843
South Thanet	Herne Bay & Sandwich	Little Stour & Ashstone	Ash Parish	TAS	XAS	Ash	Ash Village Hall - Main Hall, Queens Road, Ash, Canterbury	374	1,110	2,594
							Ash Village Hall - Main Hall, Queens Road, Ash, Canterbury <i>(polling station figures are estimates of the split)</i>		1,110	
South Thanet	Herne Bay & Sandwich	Little Stour & Ashstone	Goodnestone Parish	TGD	XGD	Goodnestone	Goodnestone Village Hall, The Street, Goodnestone, Canterbury	45	264	309
South Thanet	Herne Bay & Sandwich	Little Stour & Ashstone	Preston Parish	TPR	XPR	Preston	Preston Village Hall, Mill Lane, Preston, Canterbury	105	621	726
South Thanet	Herne Bay & Sandwich	Little Stour & Ashstone	Staple Parish	TSP	XSP	Staple	Staple Village Hall, Mill Road, Staple, Canterbury	69	384	453
South Thanet	Herne Bay & Sandwich	Little Stour & Ashstone	Stourmouth Parish	TST	XST	Stourmouth	The Rising Sun Inn, The Street, East Stourmouth	23	204	227
South Thanet	Herne Bay & Sandwich	Little Stour & Ashstone	Wingham Parish	TWG	XWG	Wingham	Wingham Village Hall, School Lane, Wingham, Canterbury	221	1,155	1,376
South Thanet	Herne Bay & Sandwich	Sandwich	Sandwich Town/Sandwich North Ward / Worth Parish/Sandwich Bay Ward	TSA,TWR2	XSA,XWR	Sandwich (North), Sandwich (Sandwich Bay)	Sandwich United Reformed Church, 12 Cattle Market, Sandwich, Kent	424	1,753	2,177
South Thanet	Herne Bay & Sandwich	Sandwich	Sandwich Town/Sandwich South Ward	TSB	XSB	Sandwich (South)	The Jubilee Centre, Jubilee Road, Sandwich	316	1,700	2,016
South Thanet	Herne Bay & Sandwich	Sandwich	Woodnesborough Parish	TWN	XWN	Woodnesborough	Woodnesborough Village Hall, Elmwood Park, Woodnesborough	132	876	1,008

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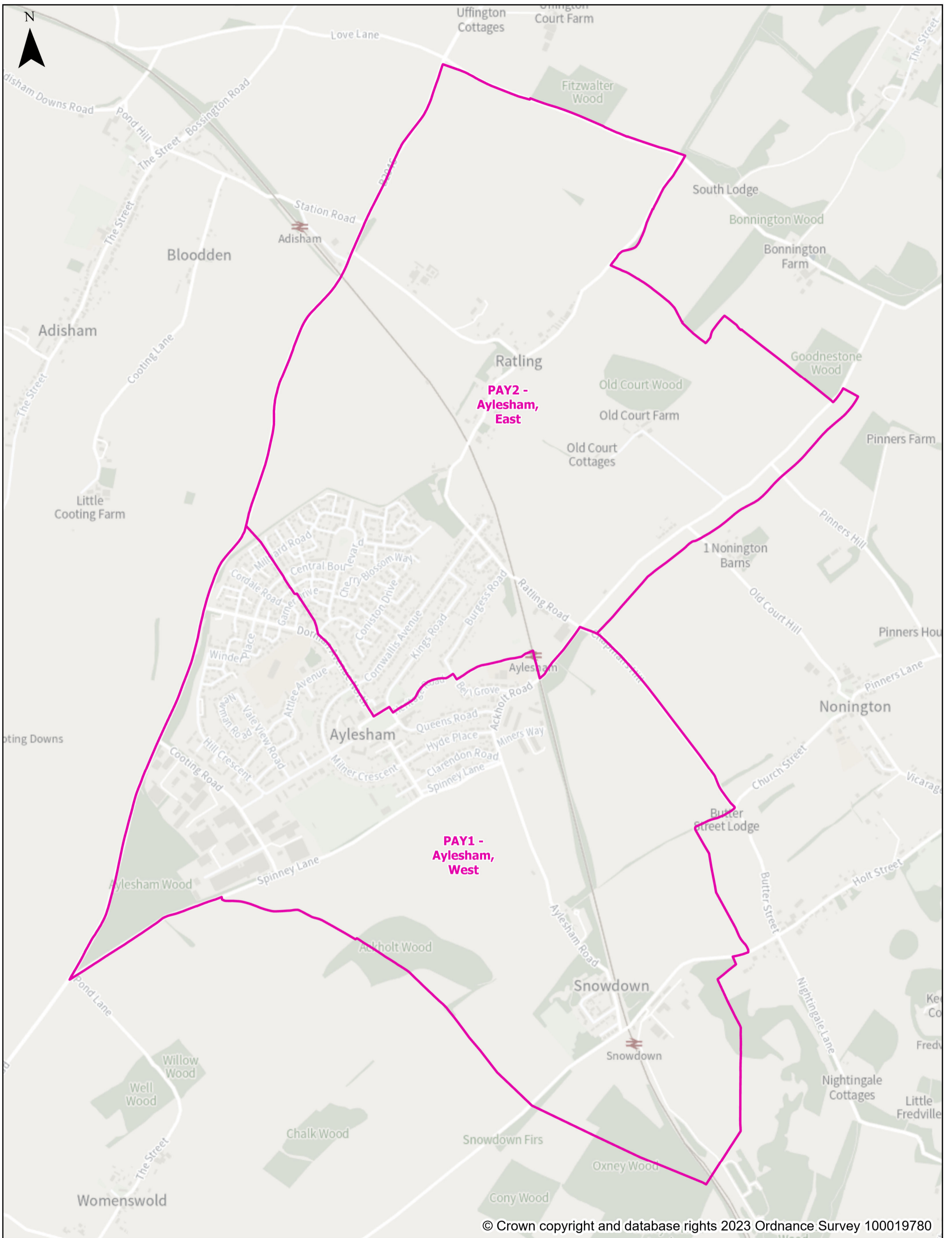
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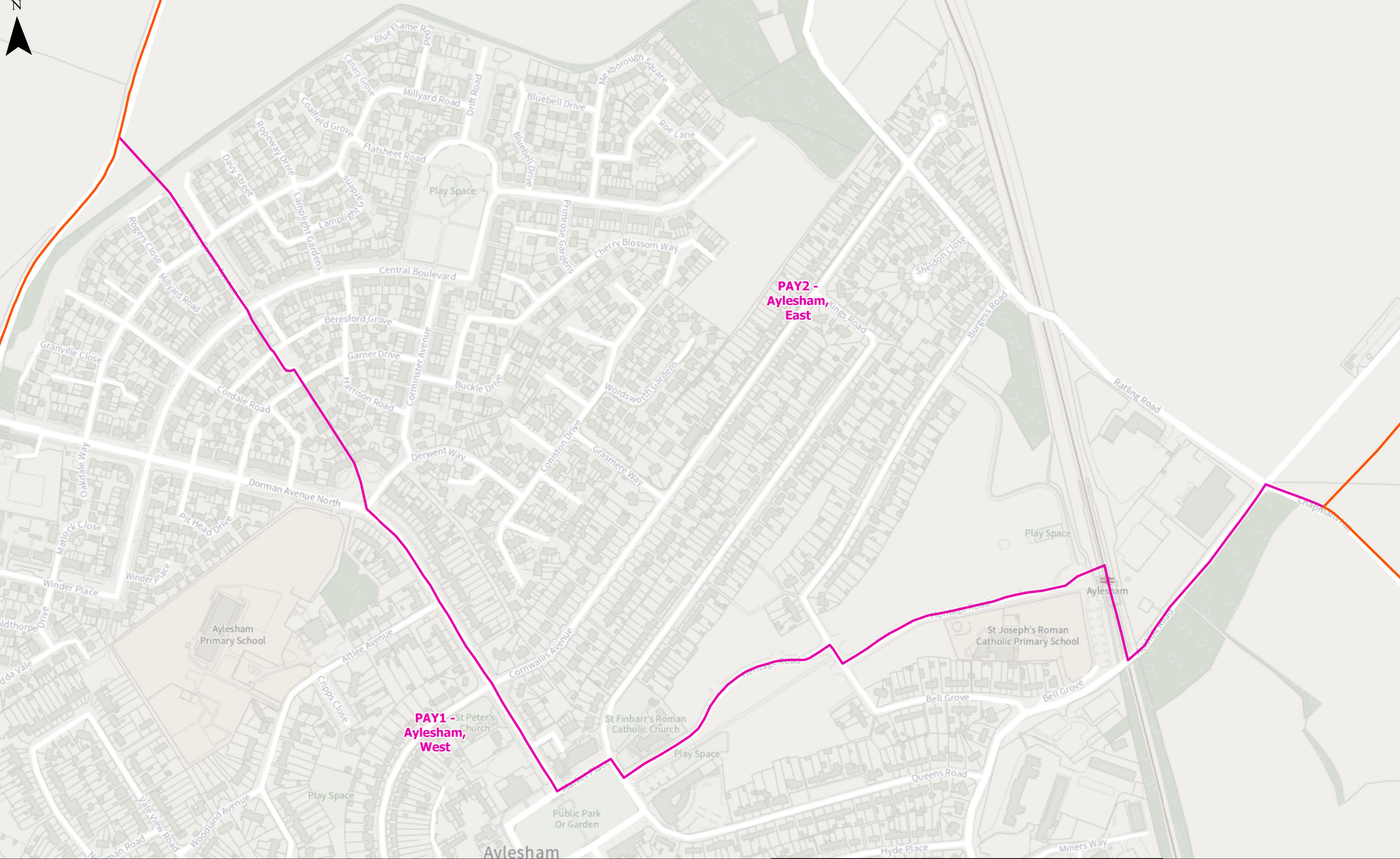
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Proposed Polling Districts (Further Detail): PAY1 and PAY2

- Existing Polling District Boundary (PAY)
- Proposed split, creating PAY1 and PAY2

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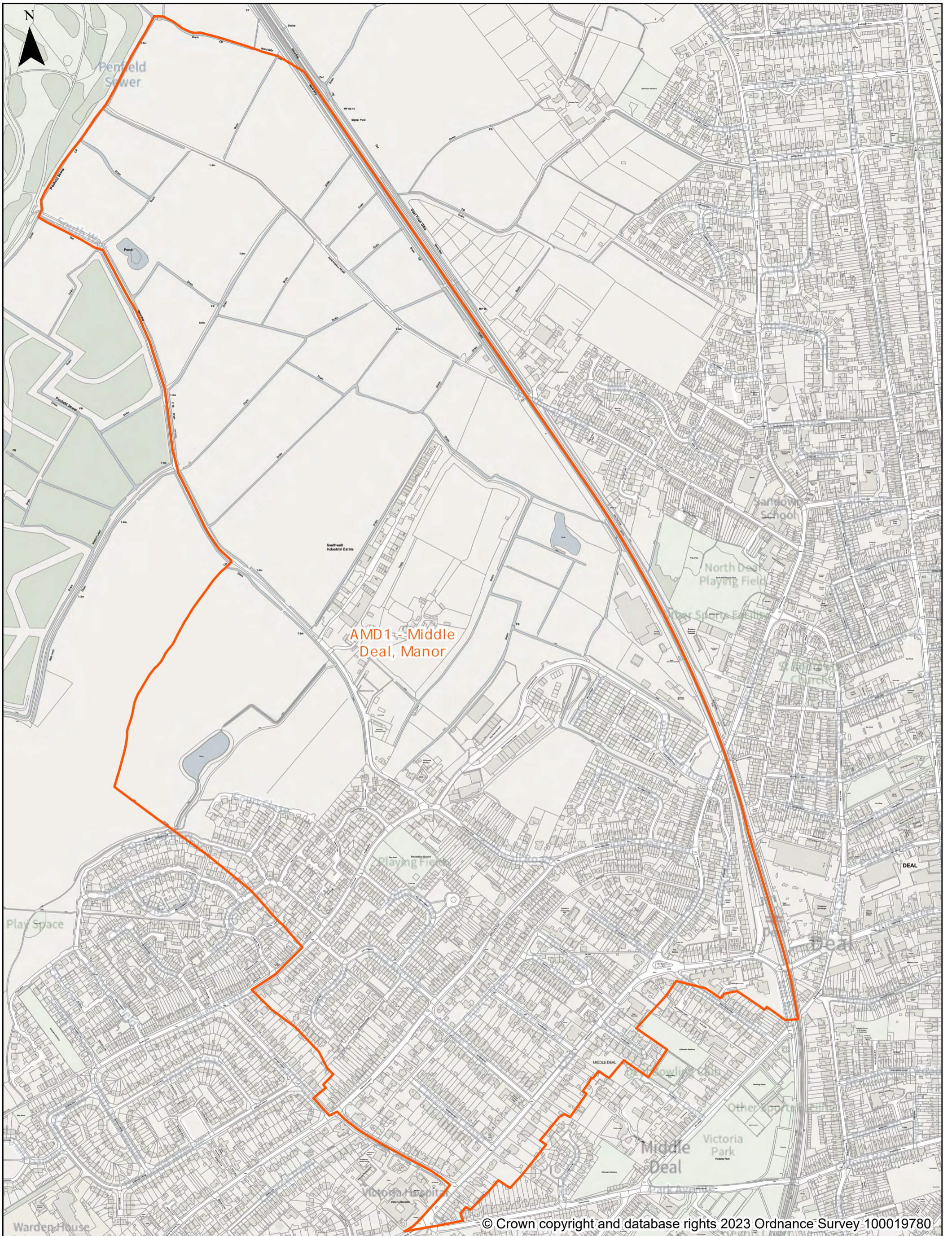
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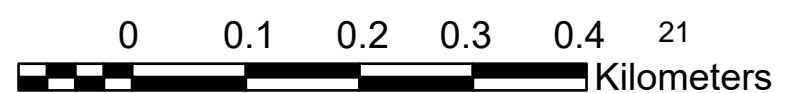
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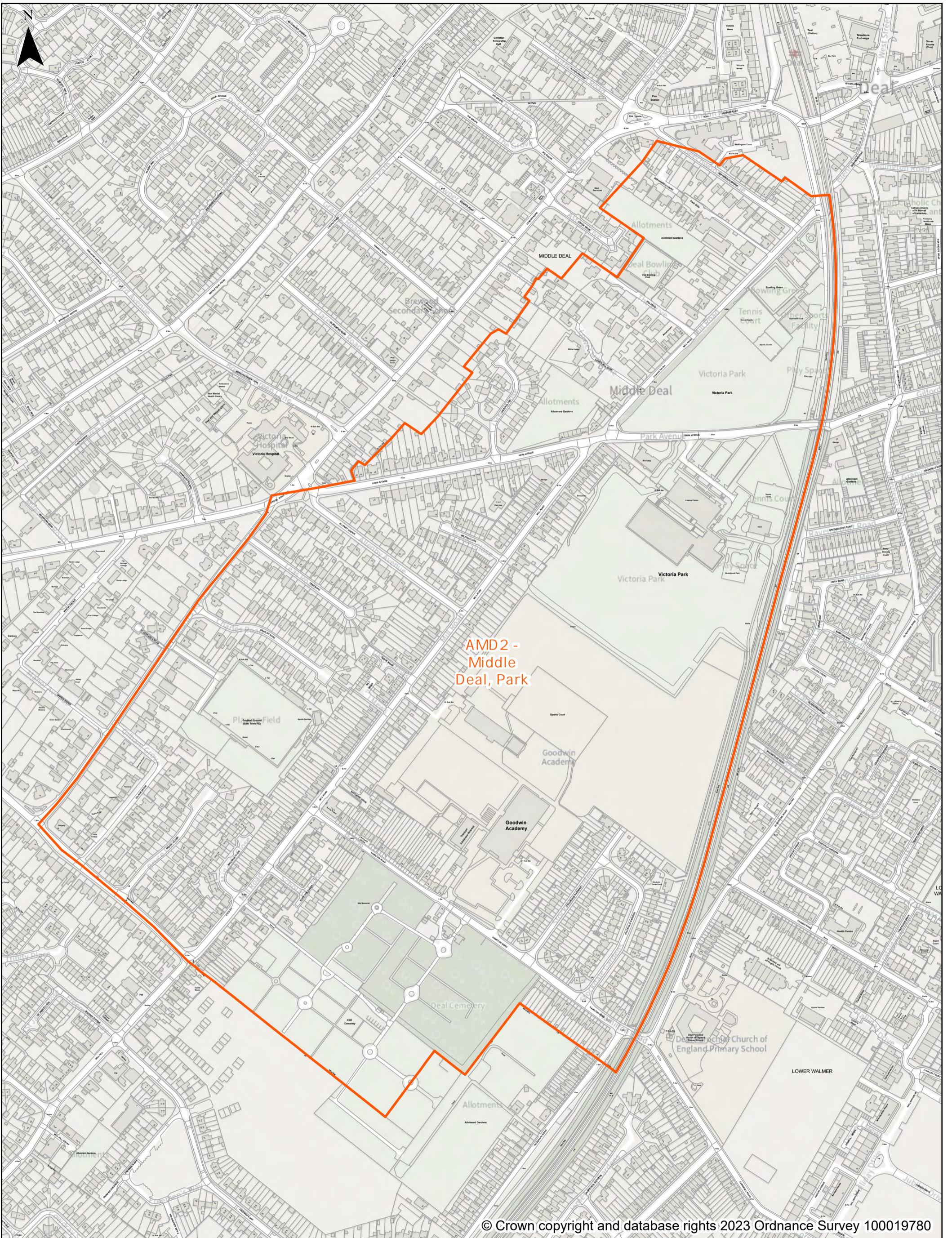


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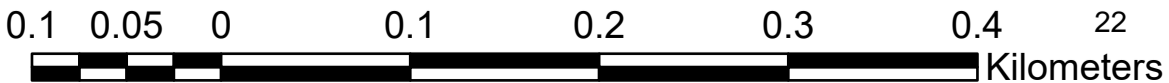


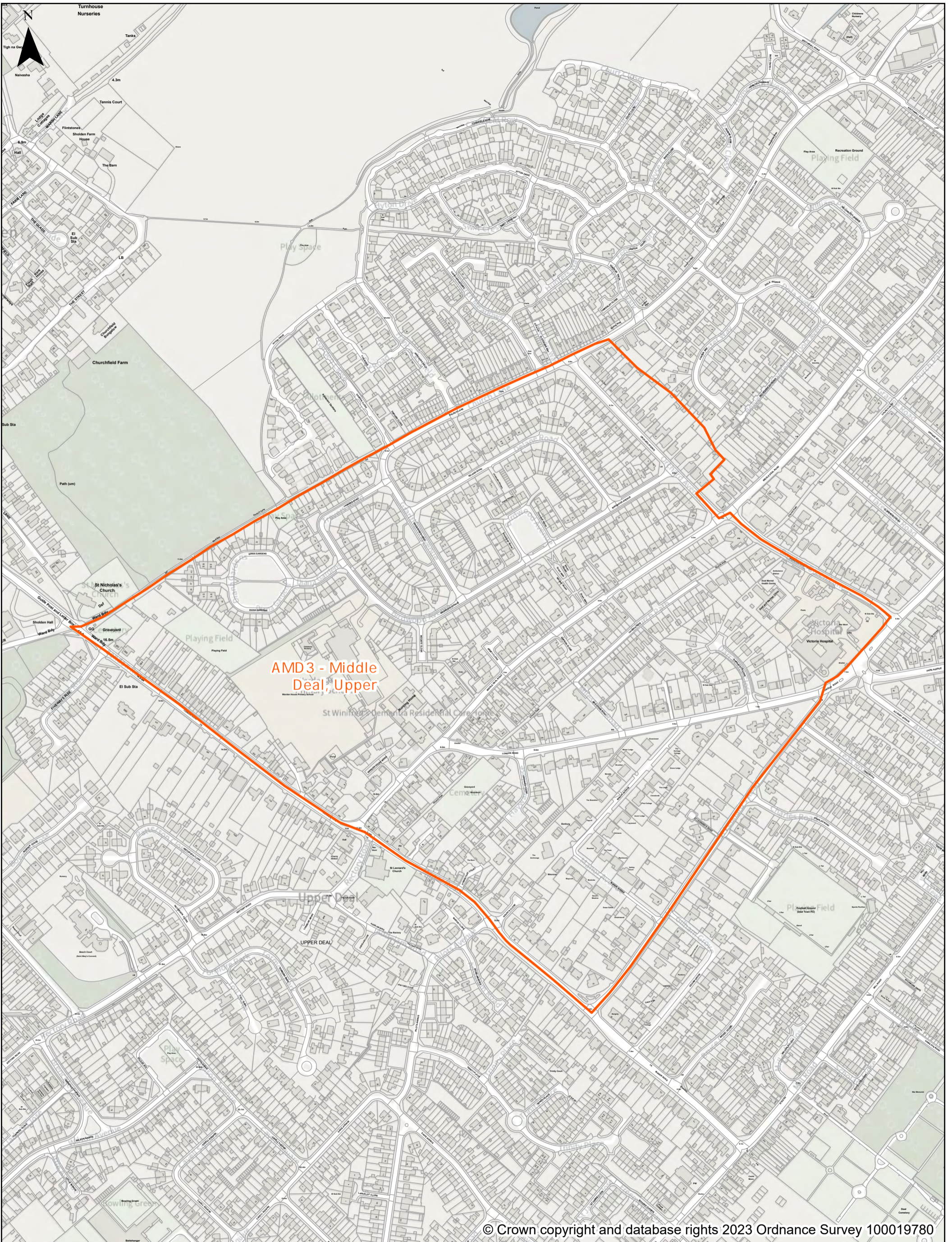
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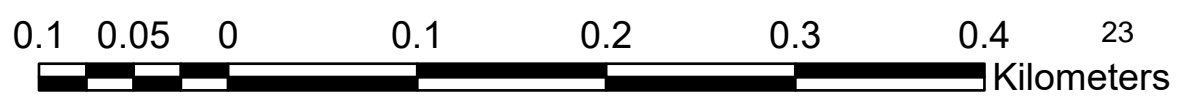


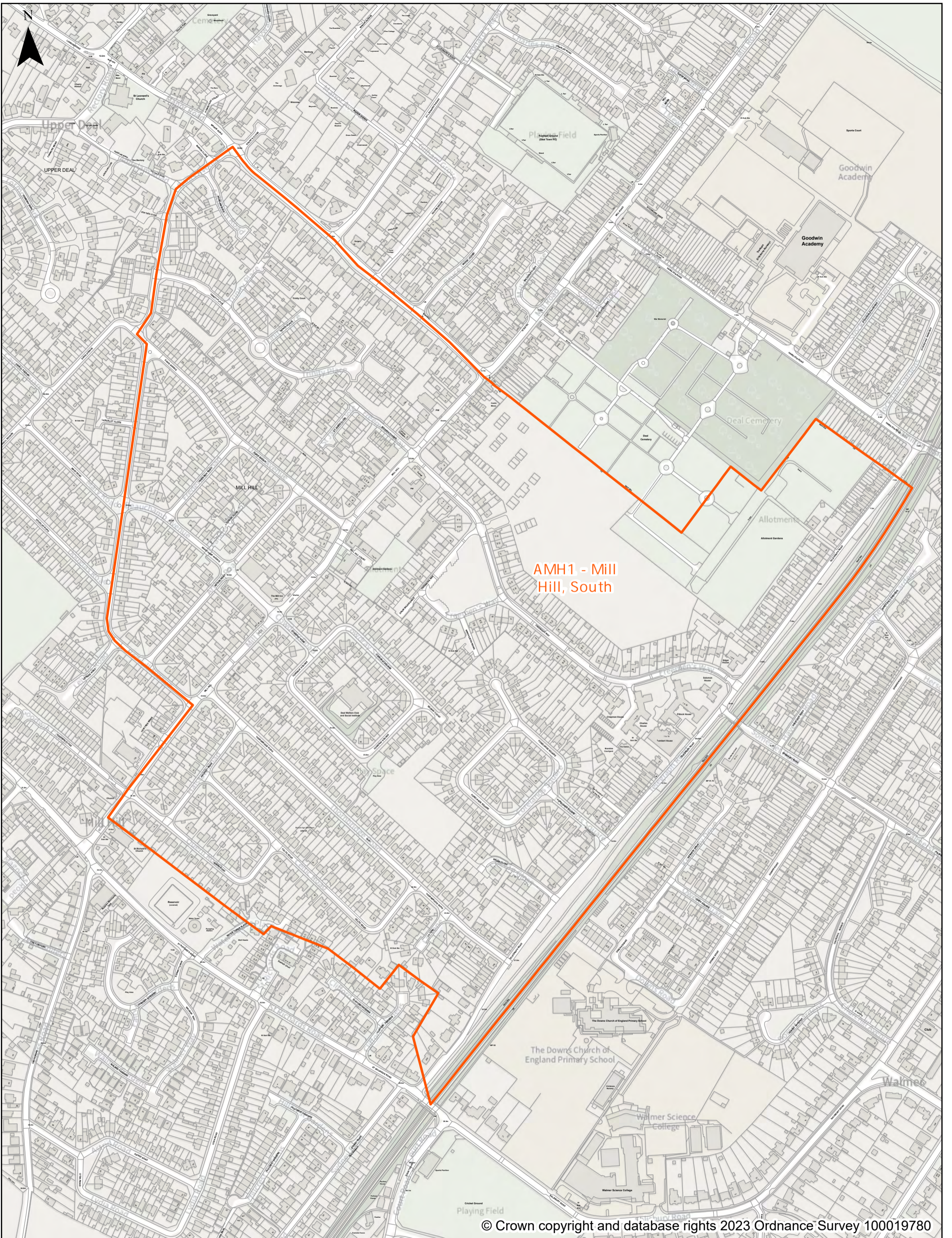


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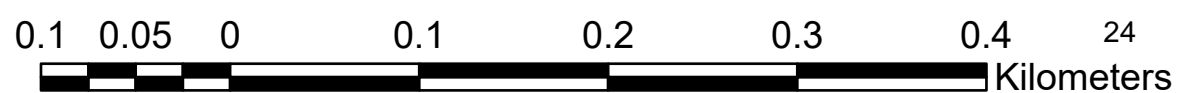


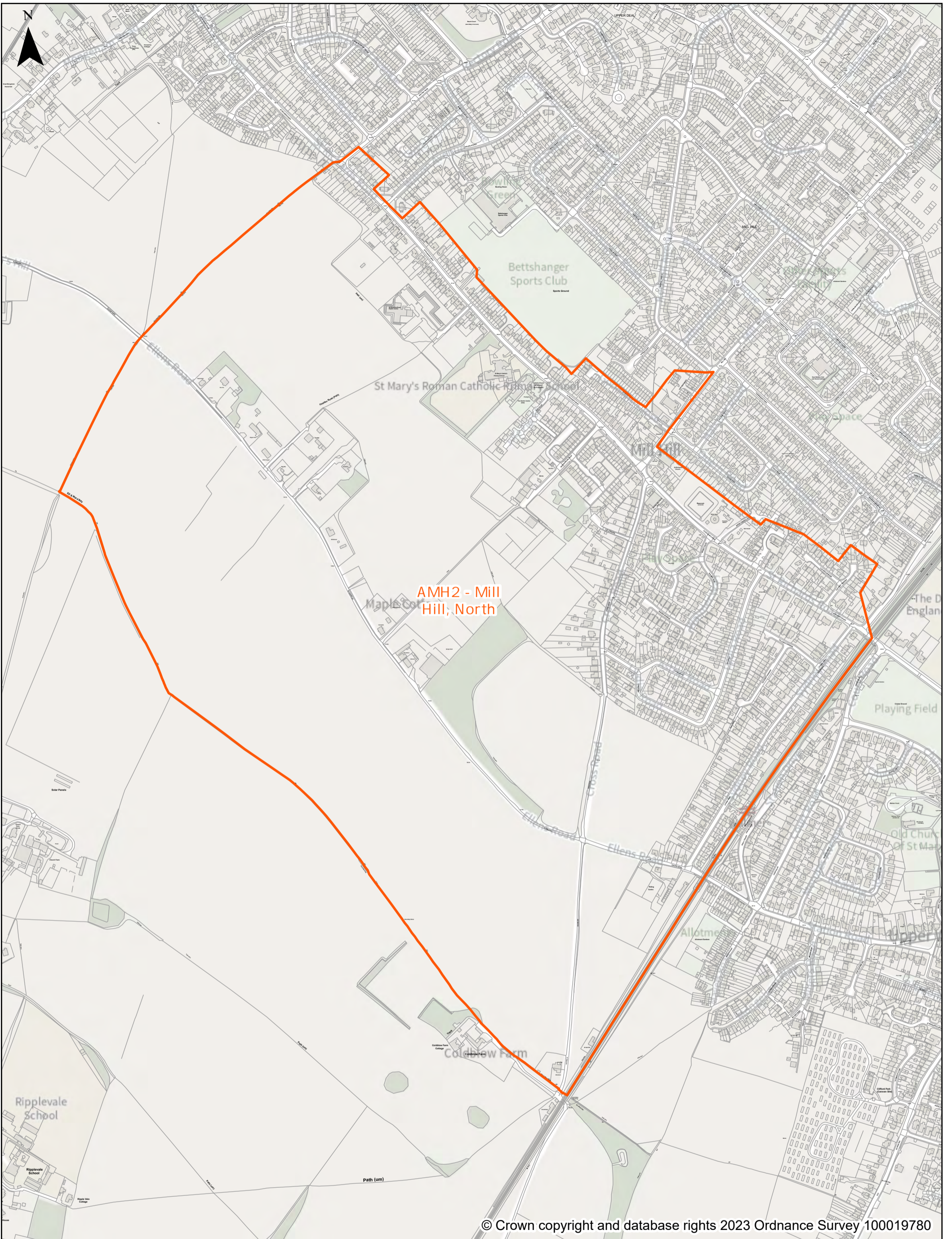


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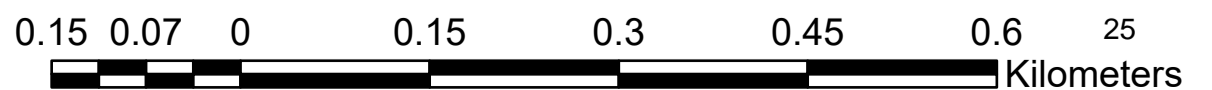


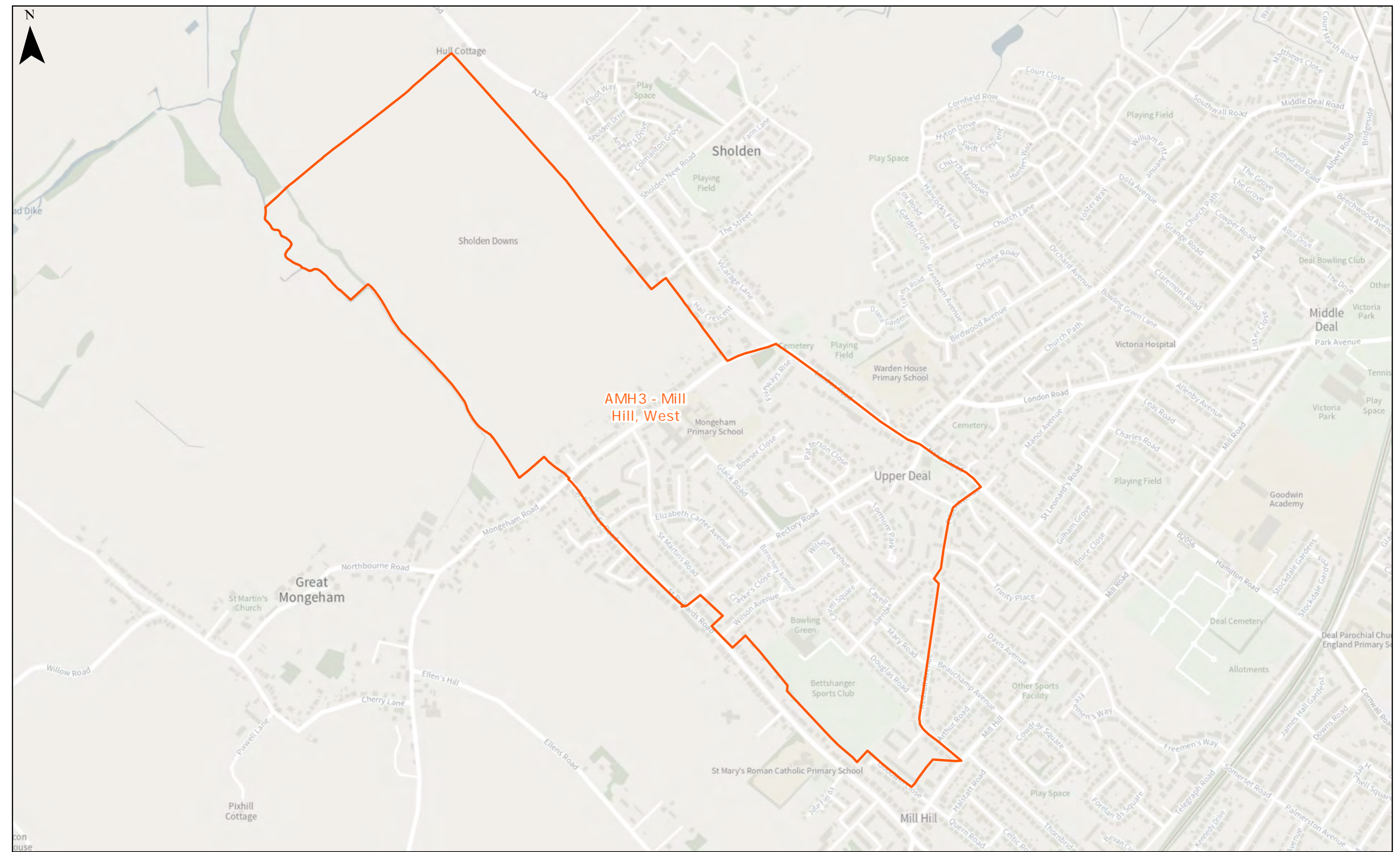


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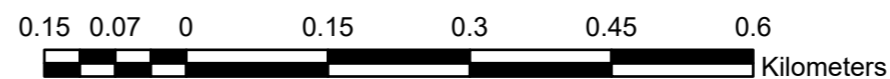
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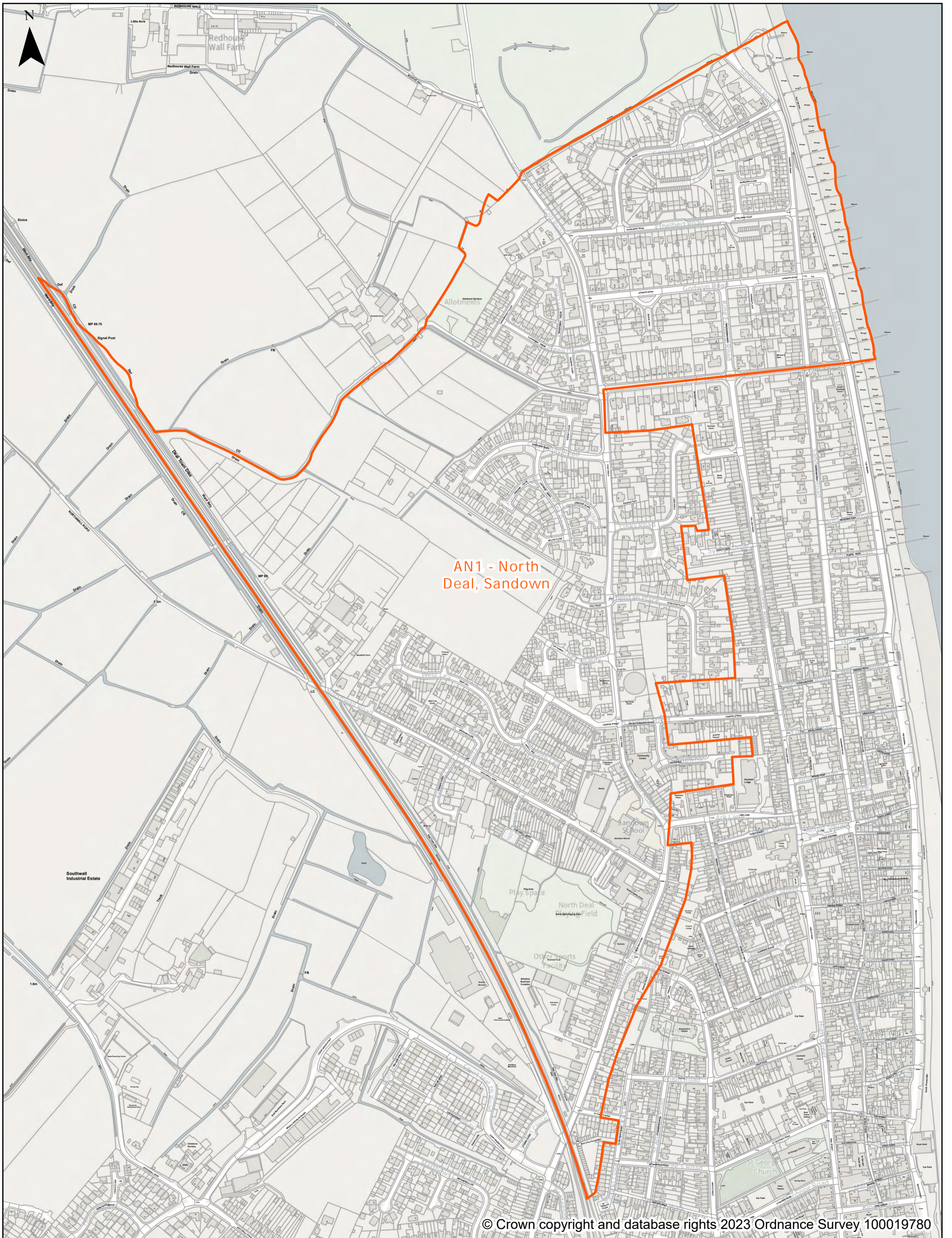




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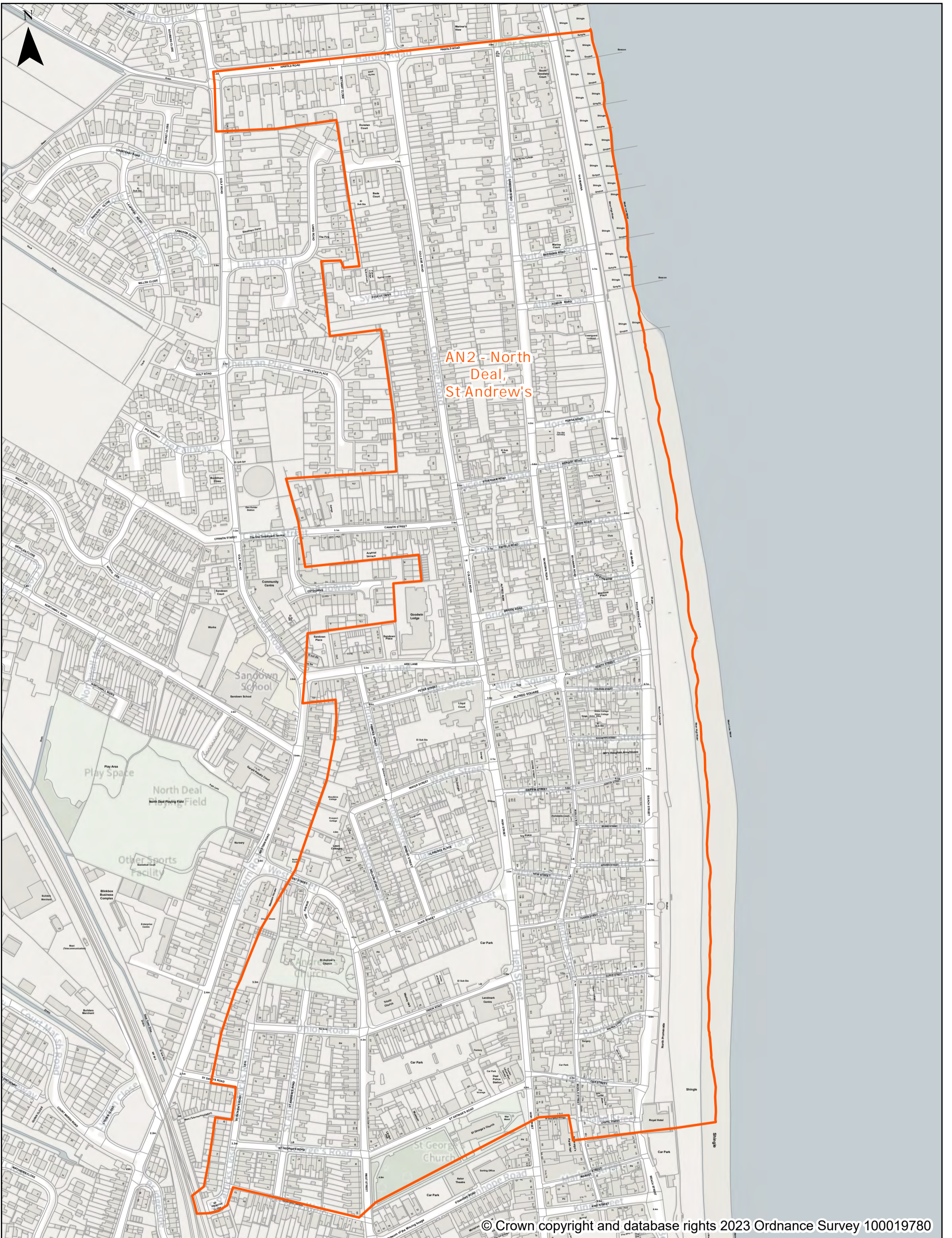


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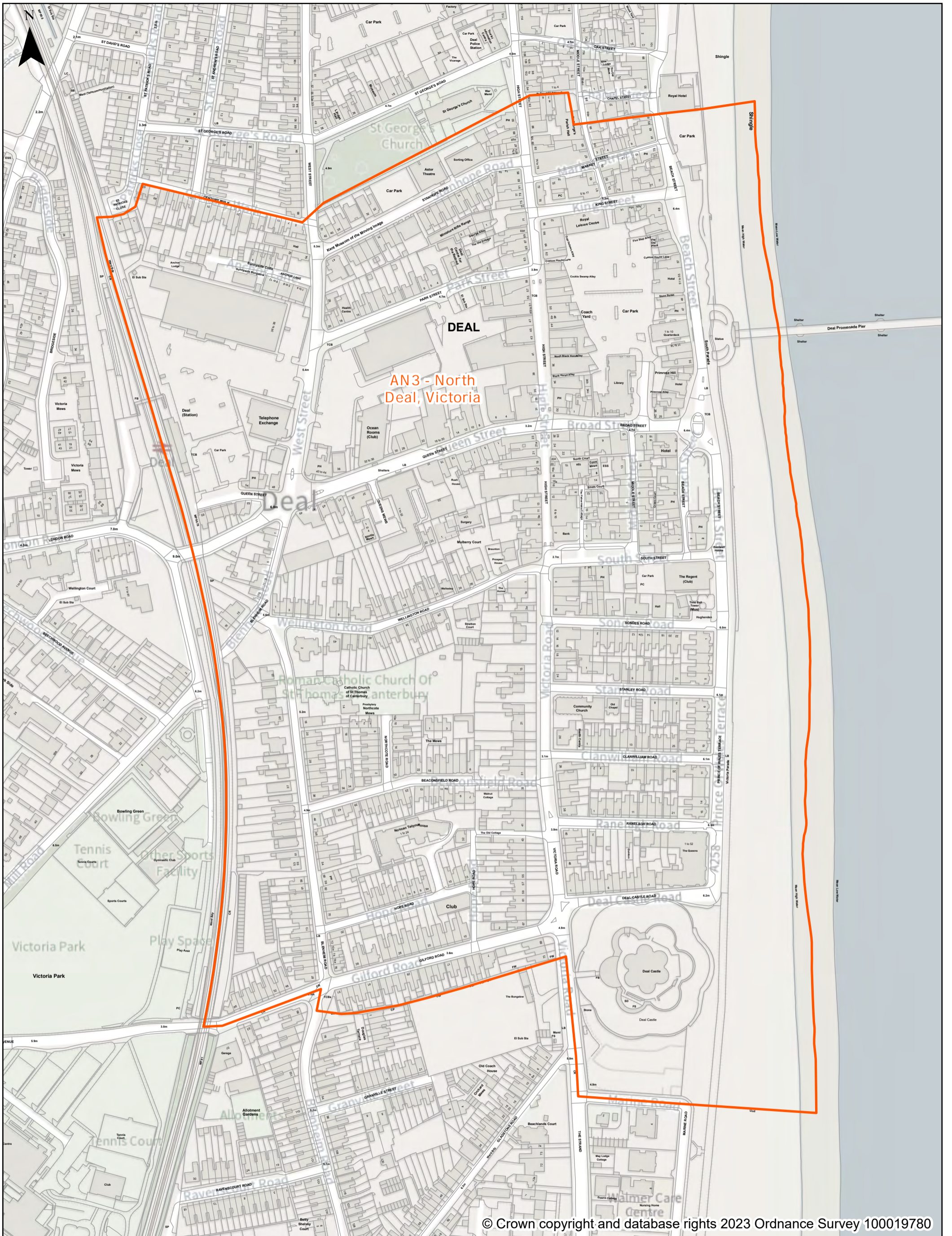


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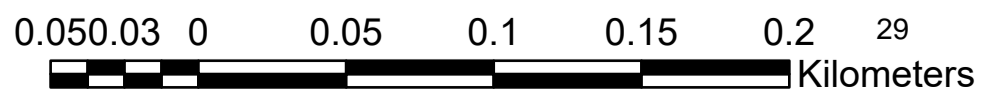


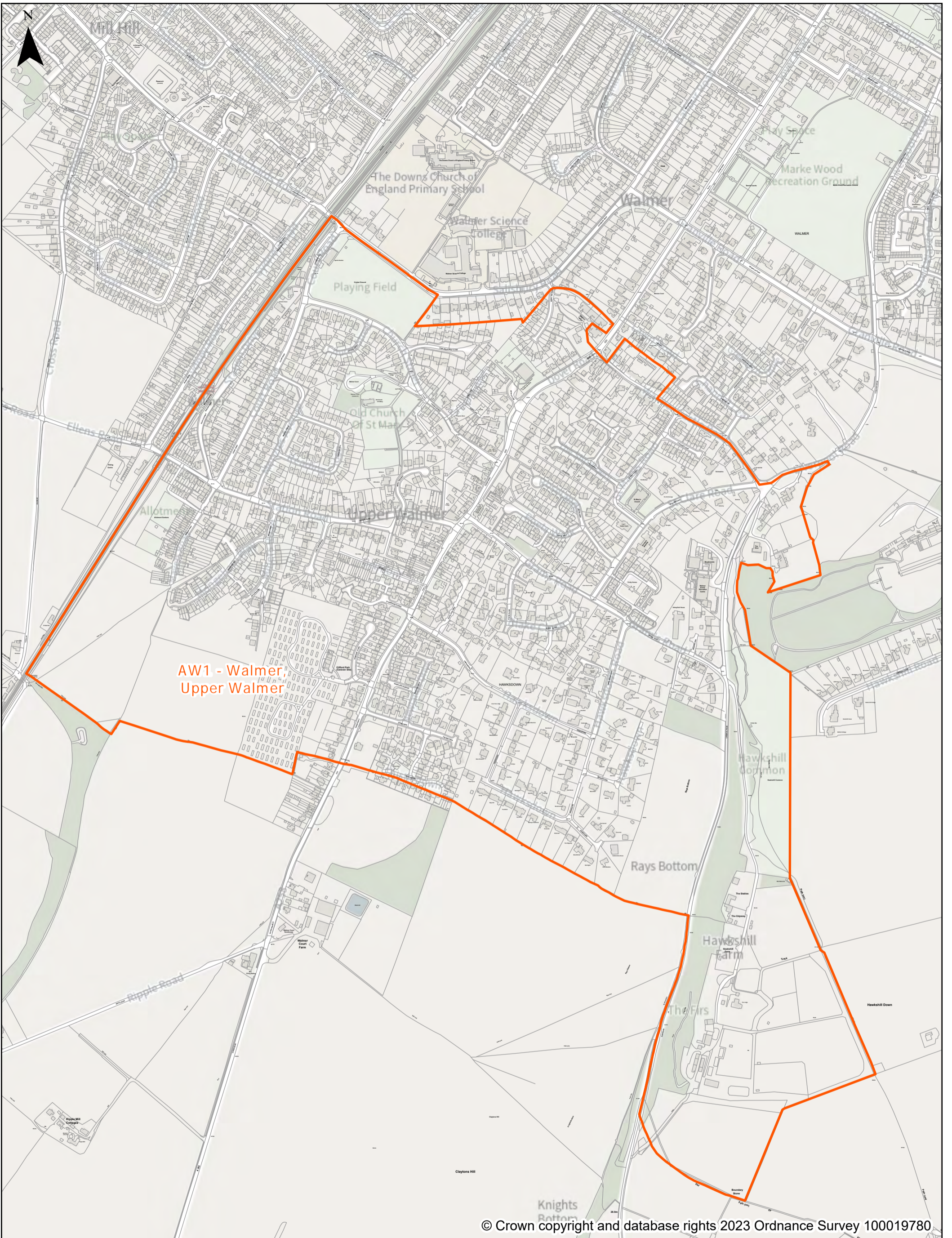
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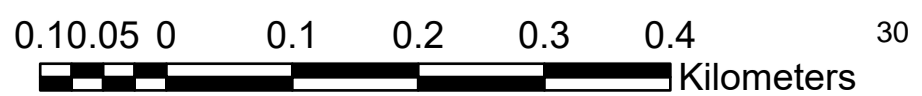




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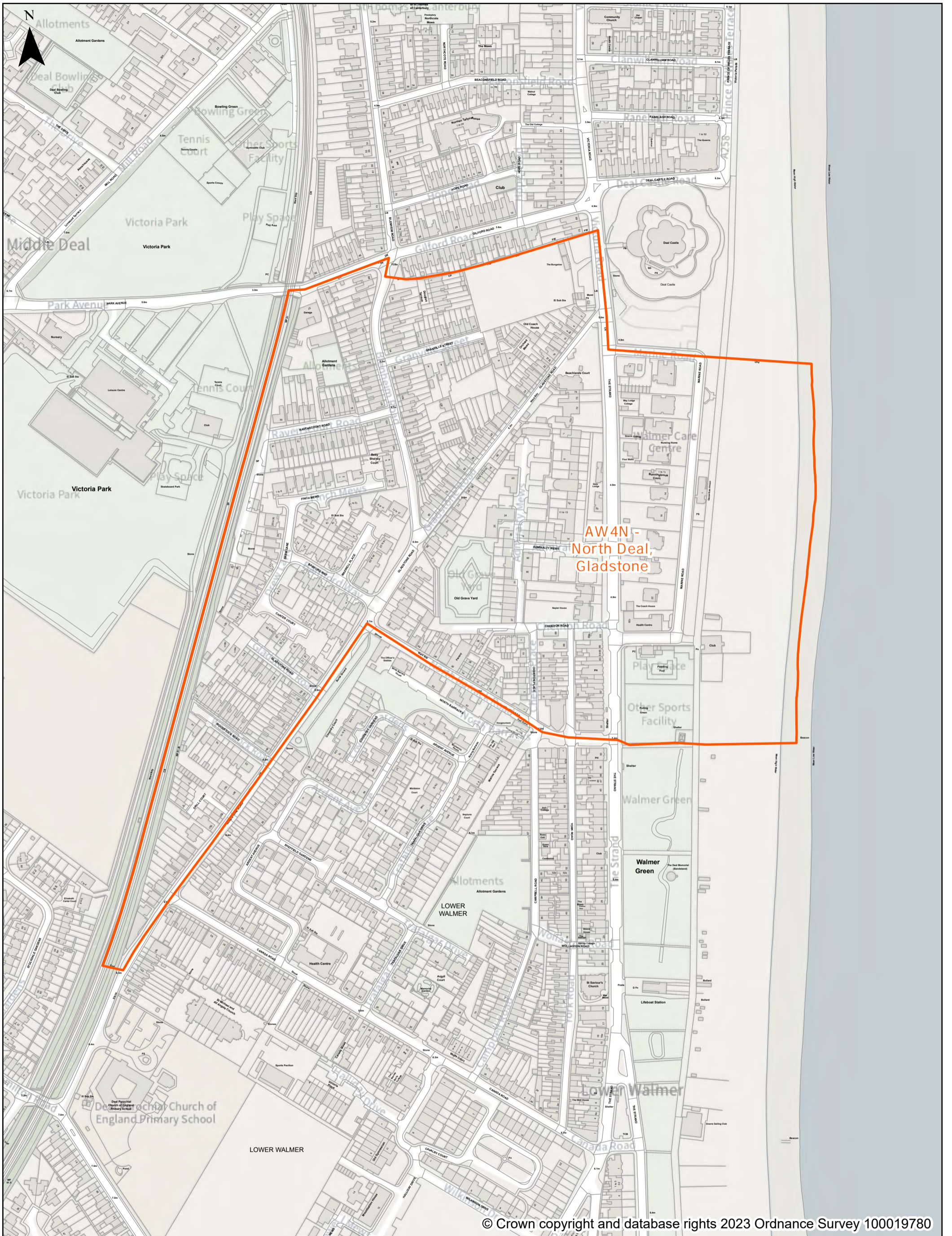


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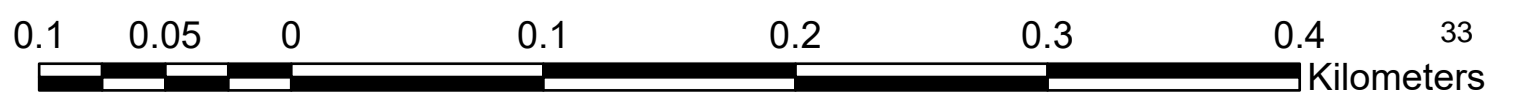


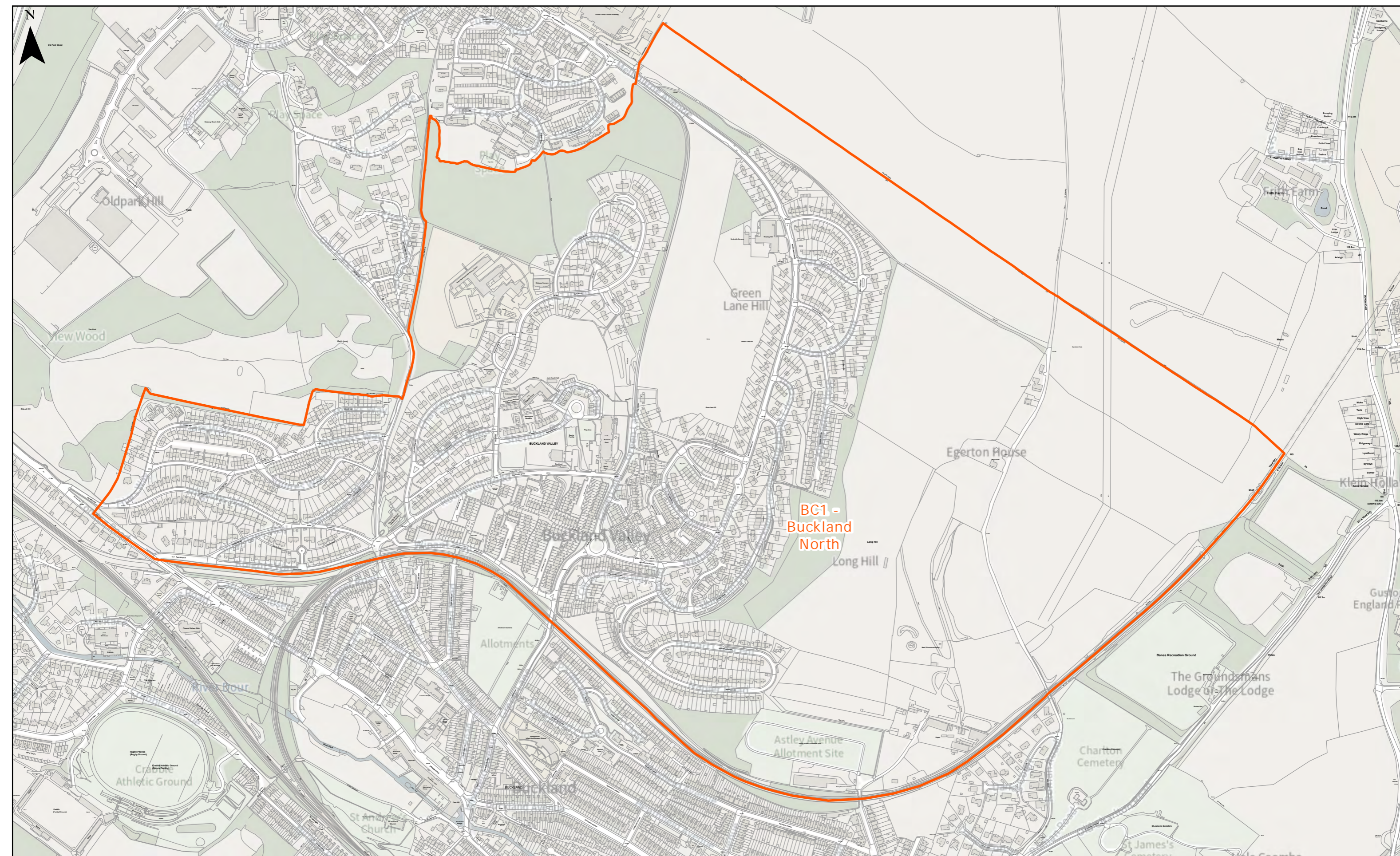


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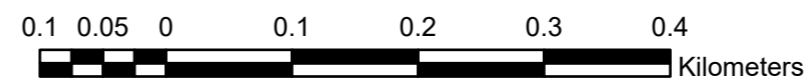


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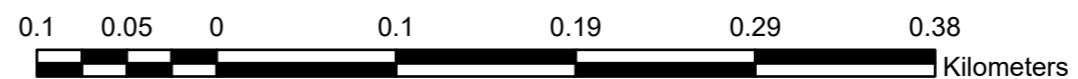


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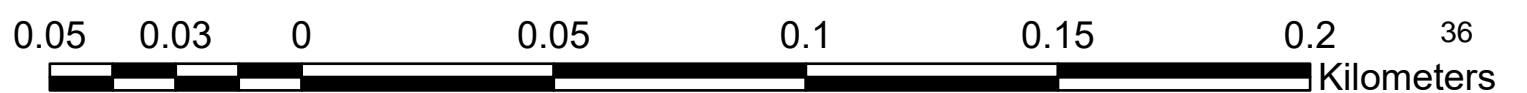


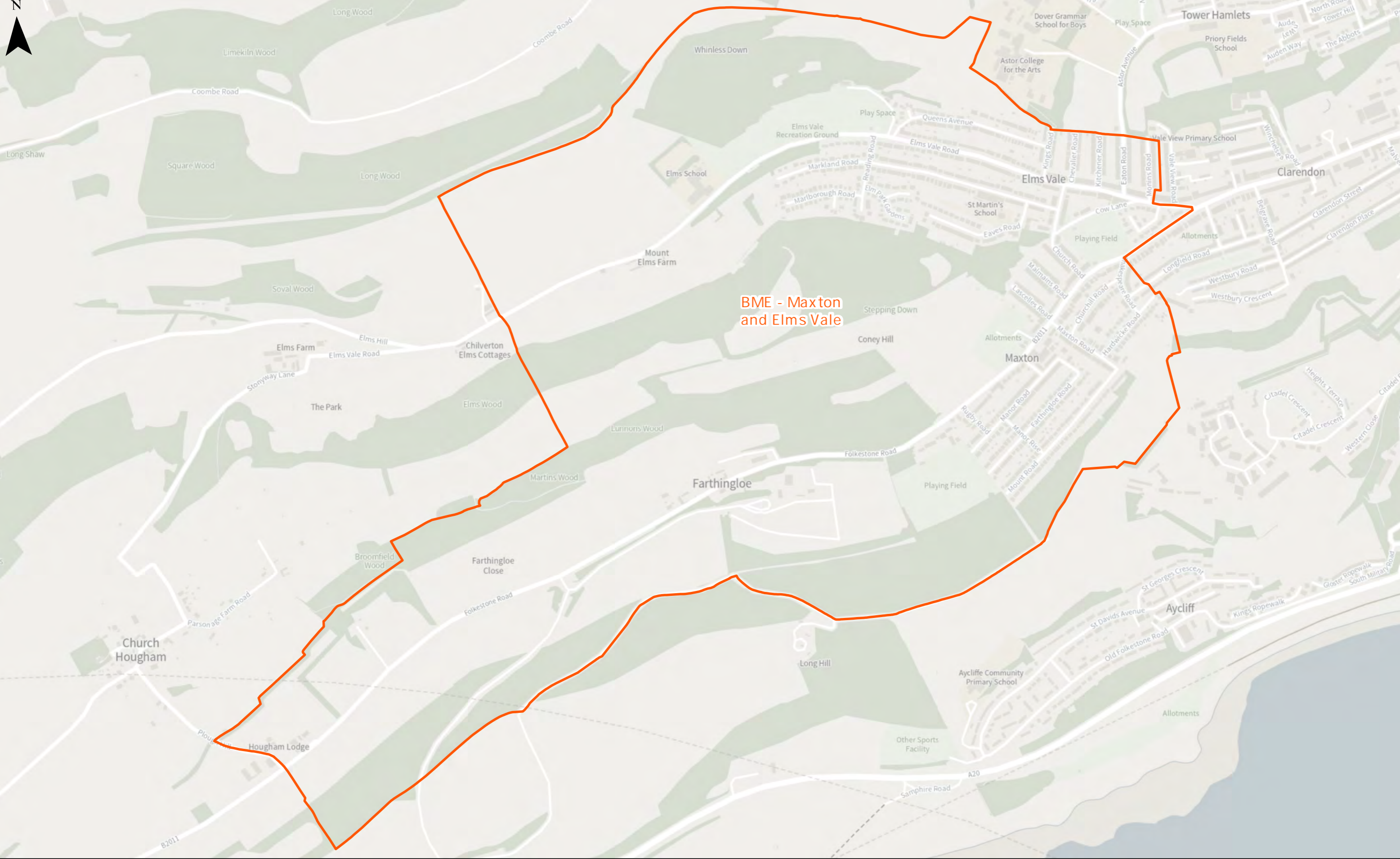
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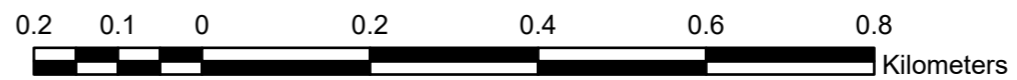


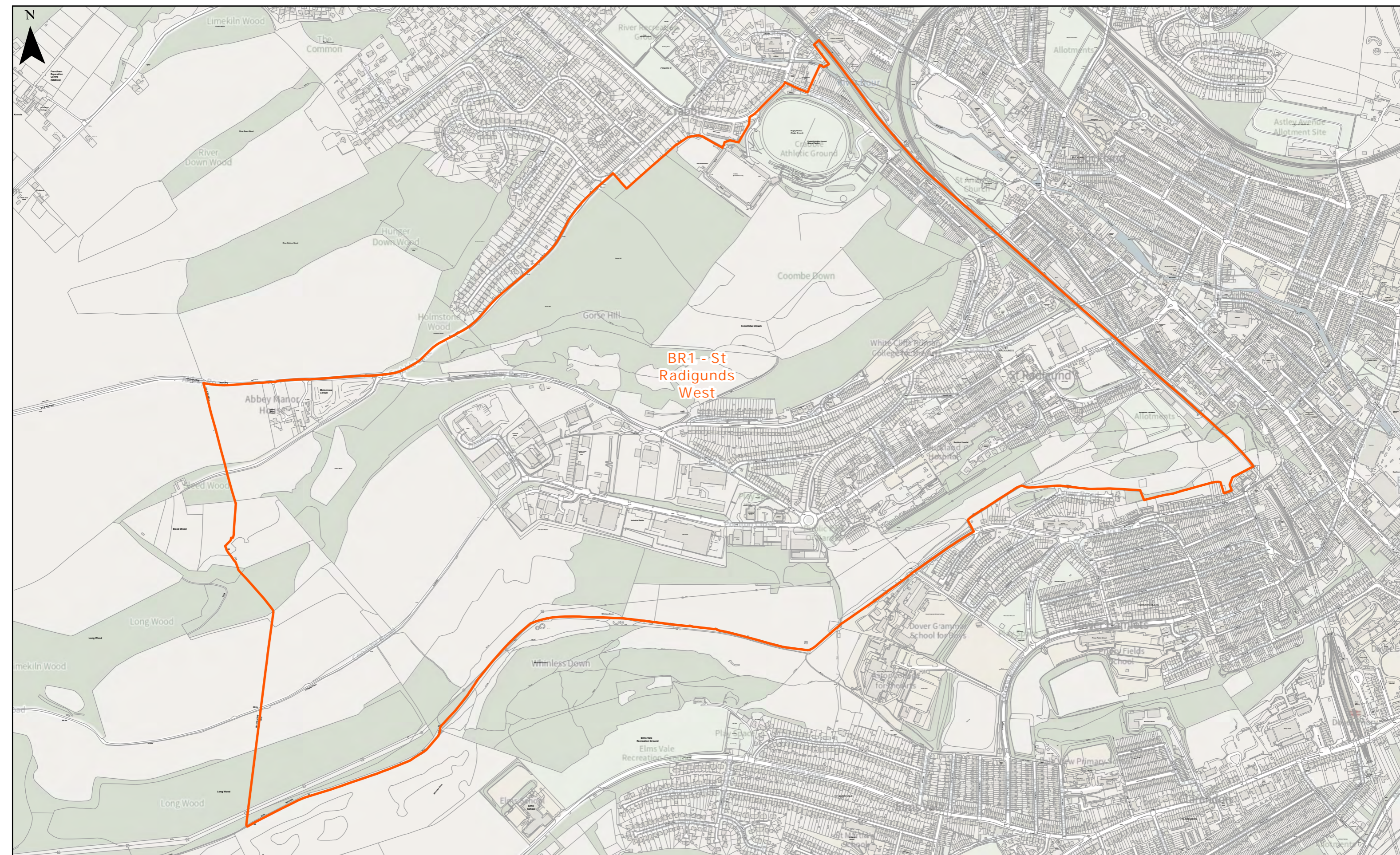
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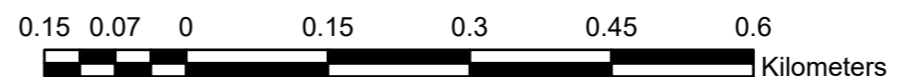
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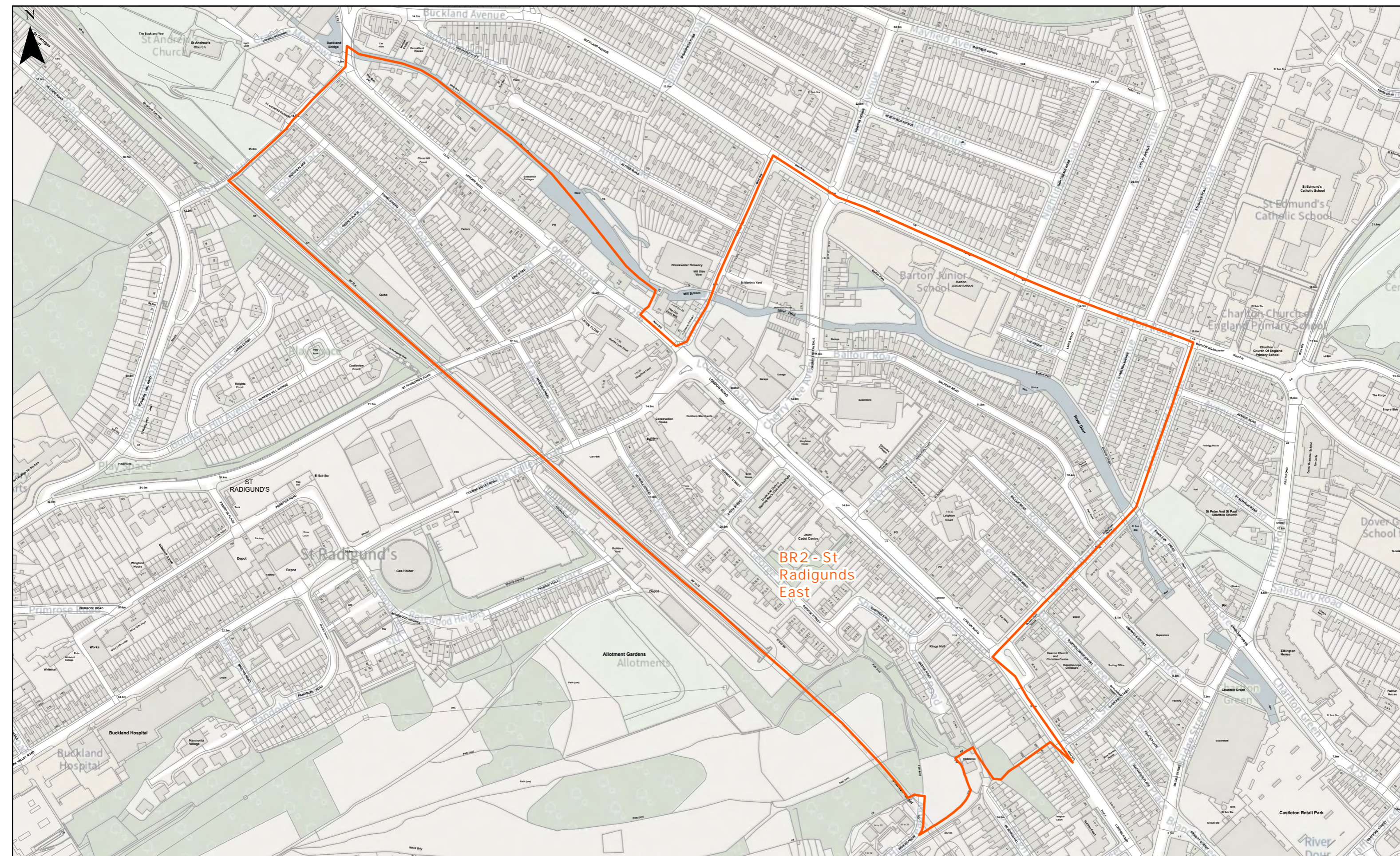




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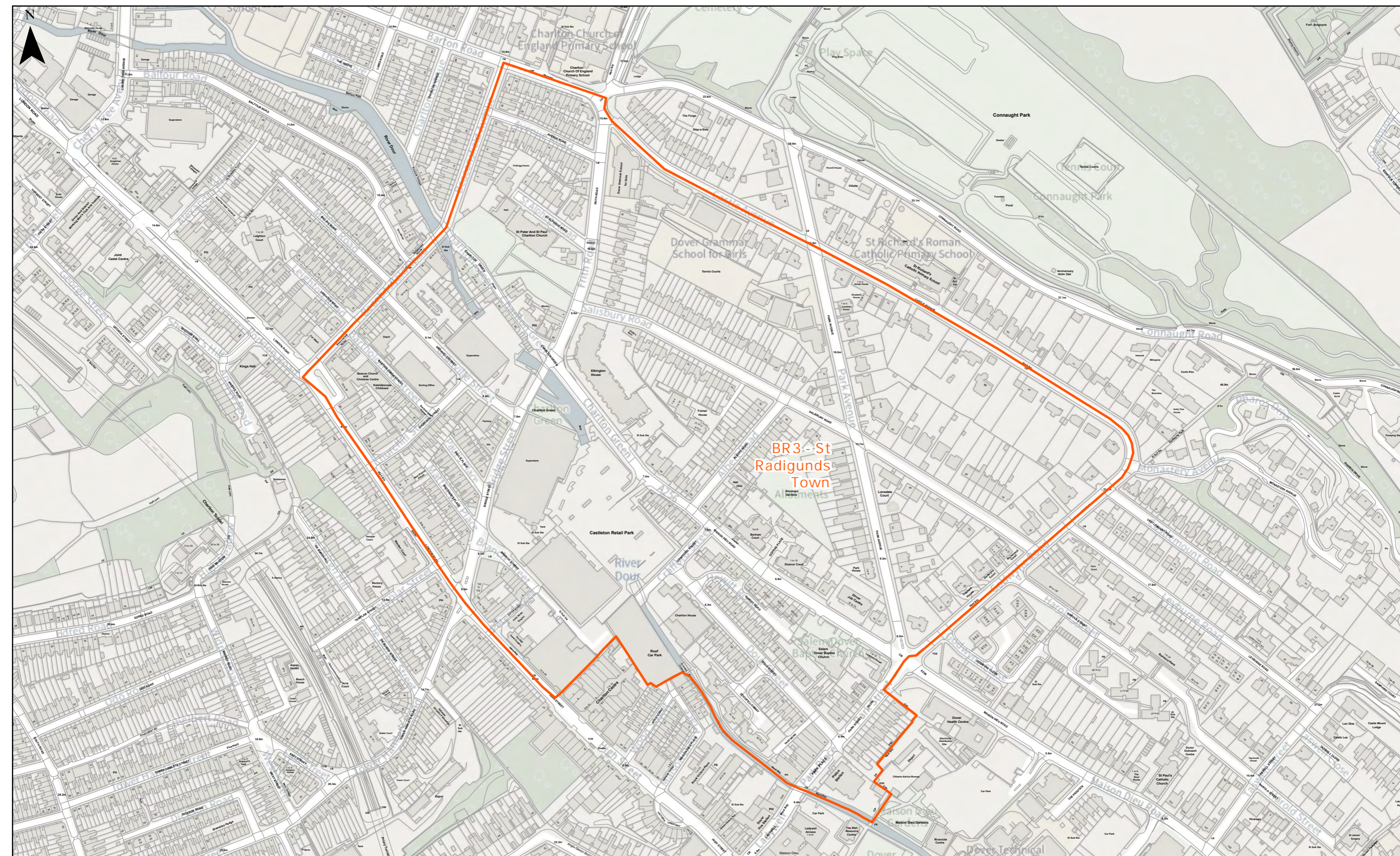




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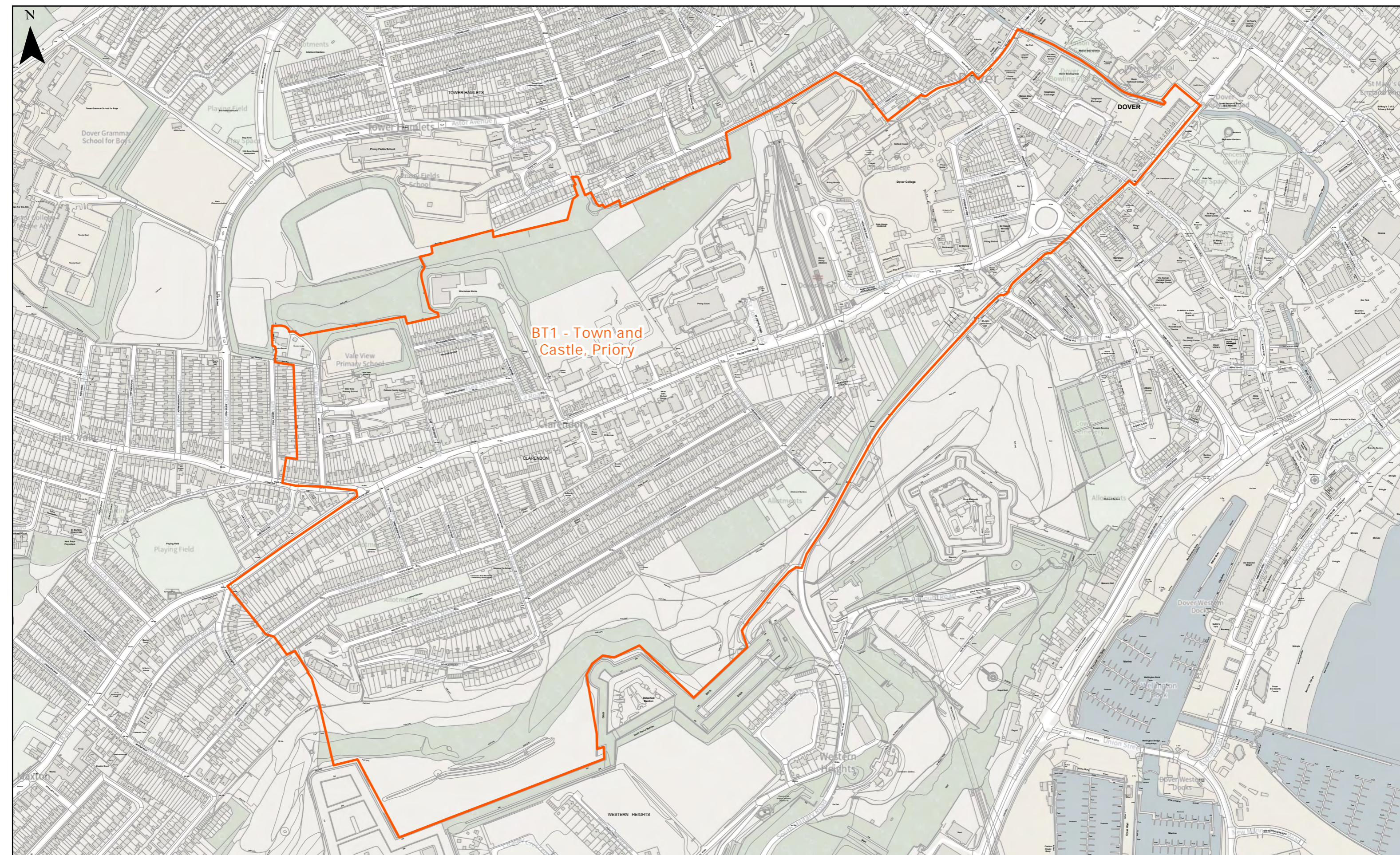
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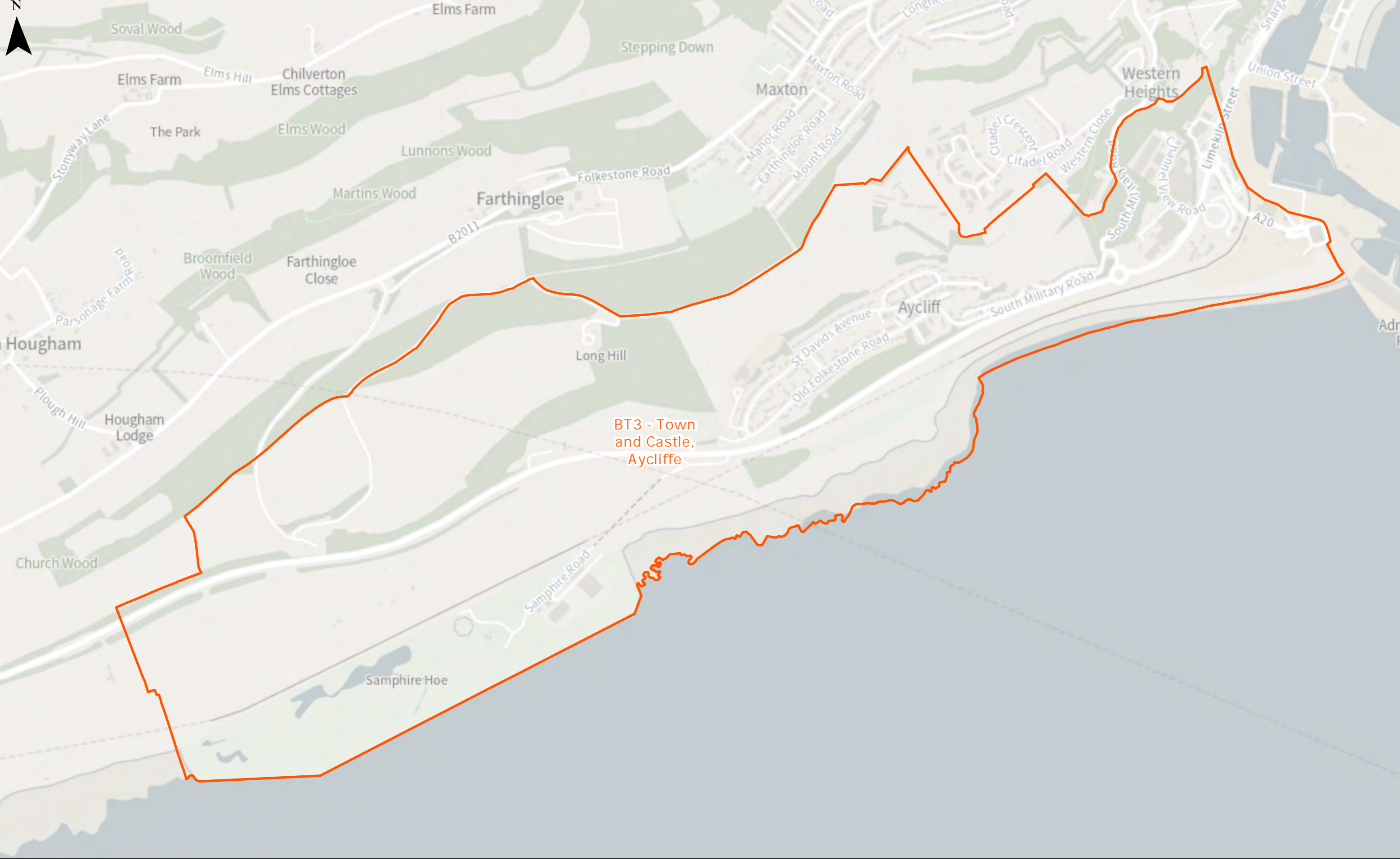
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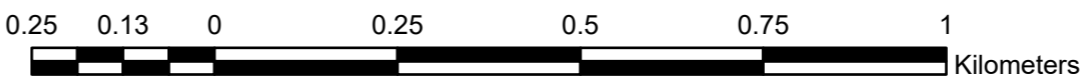


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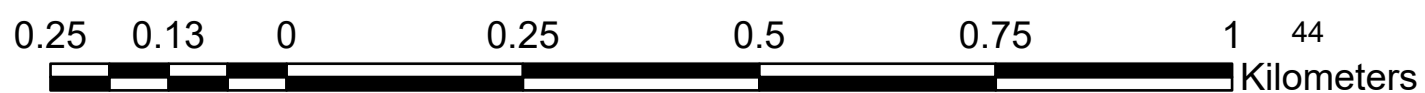


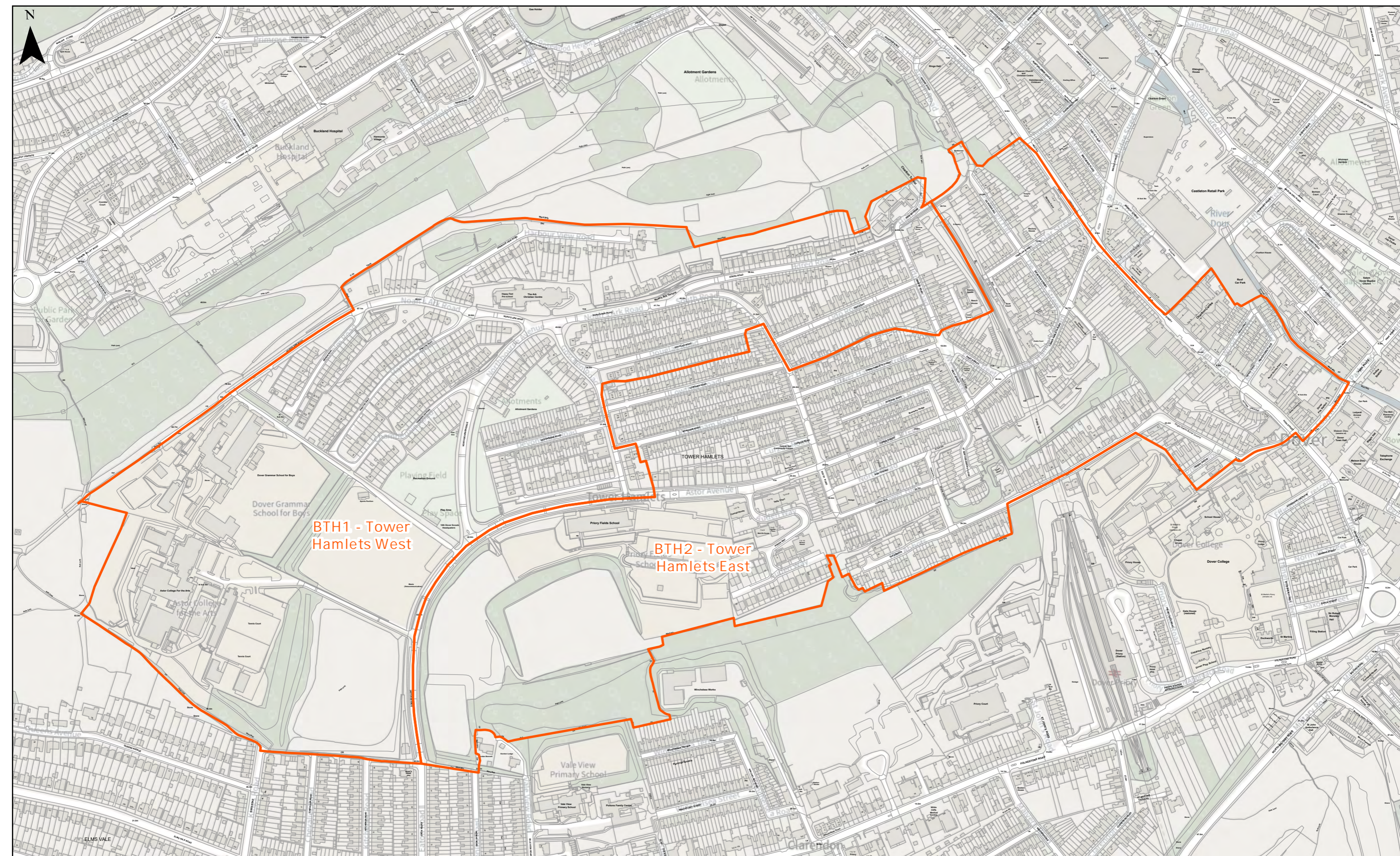
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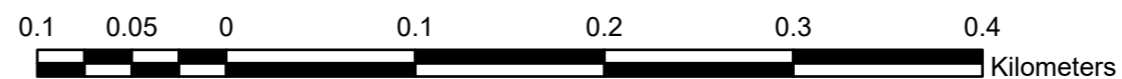


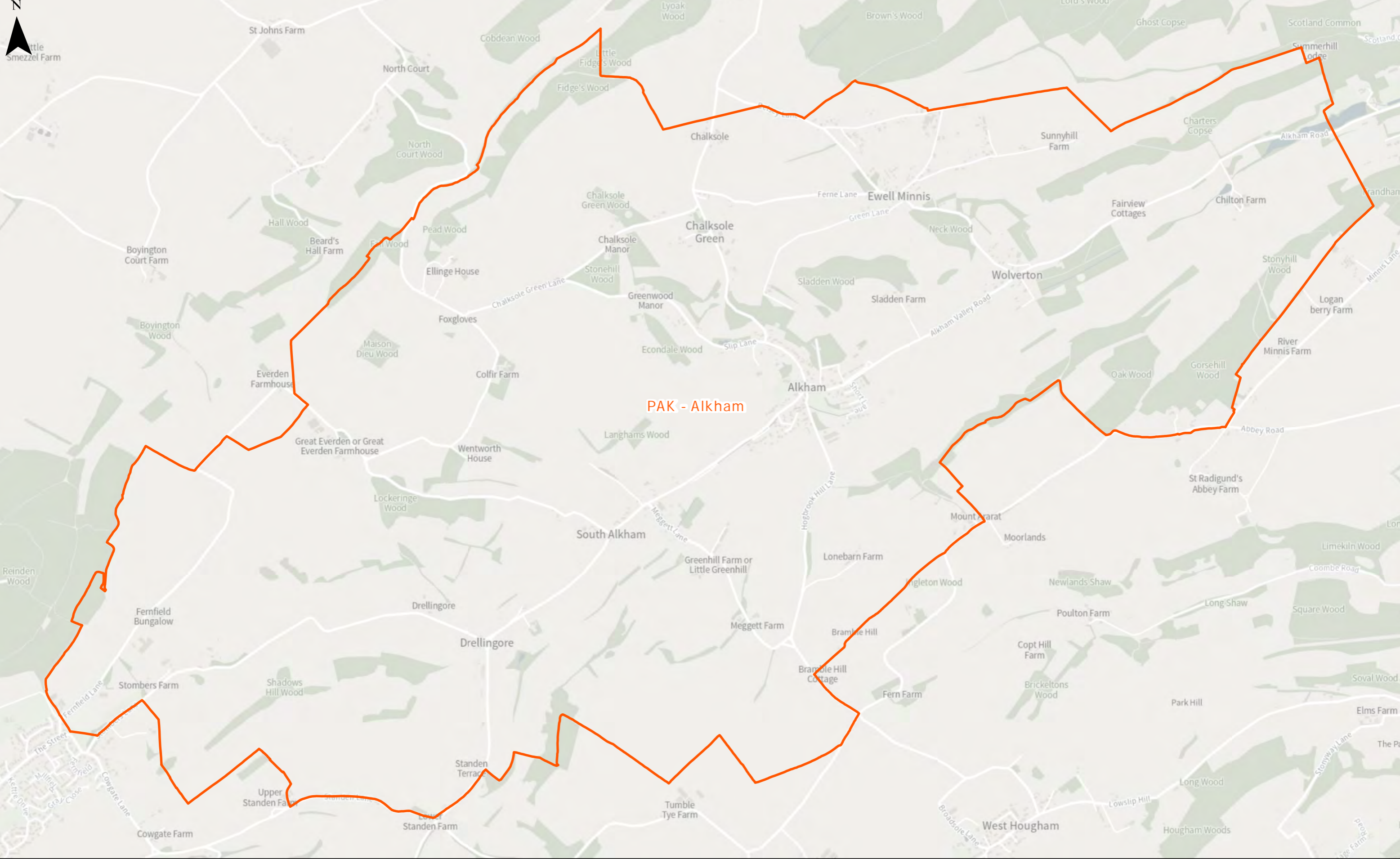
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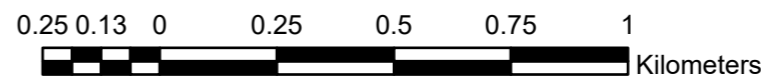


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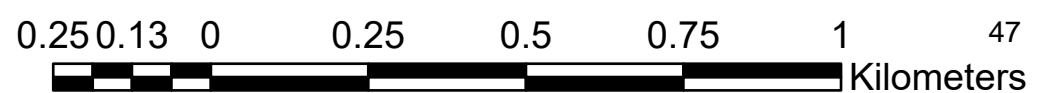


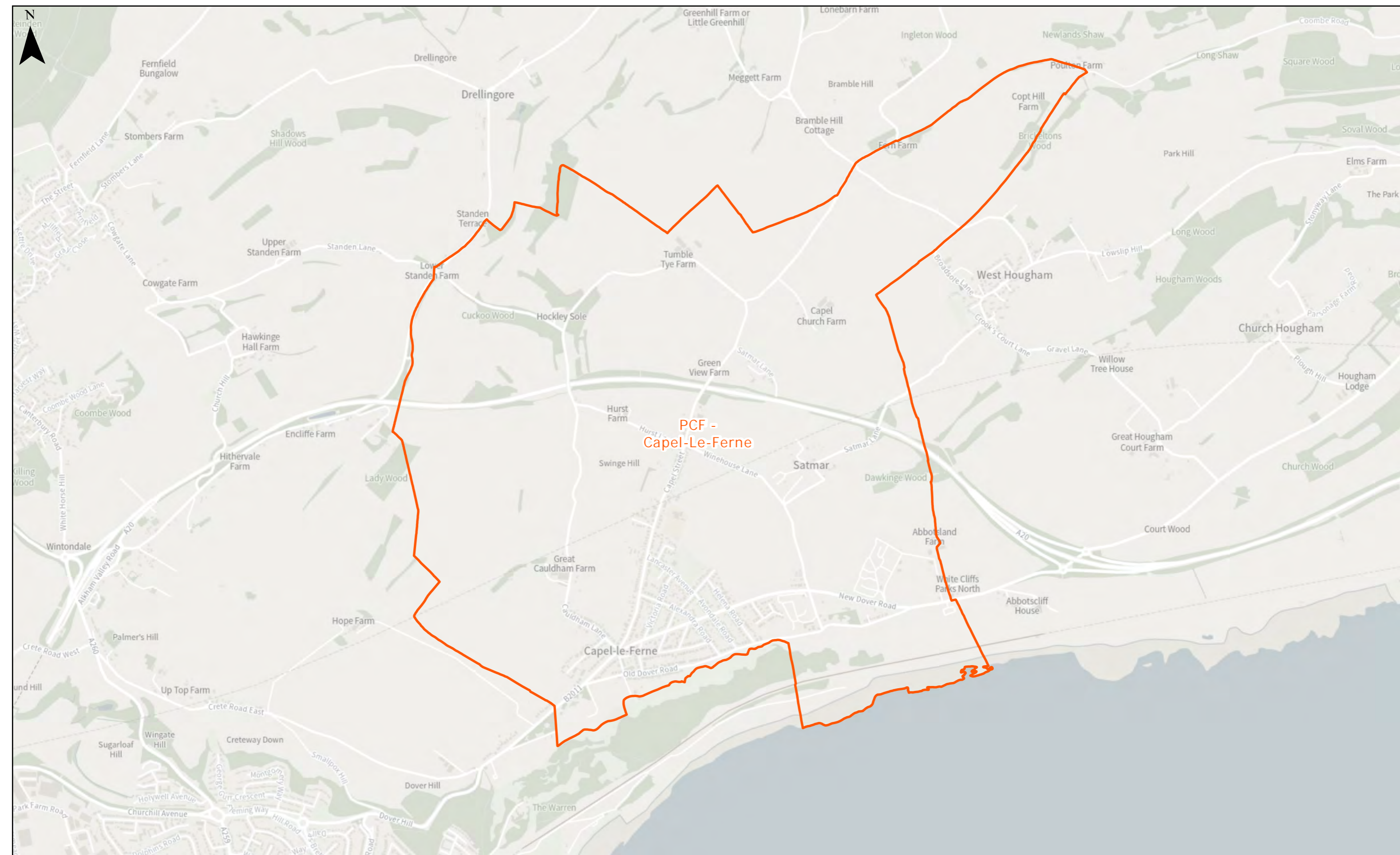


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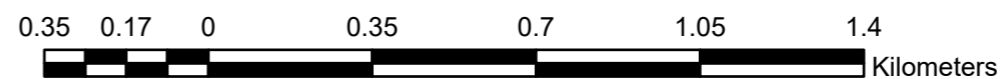


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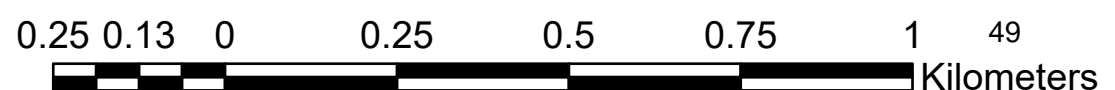


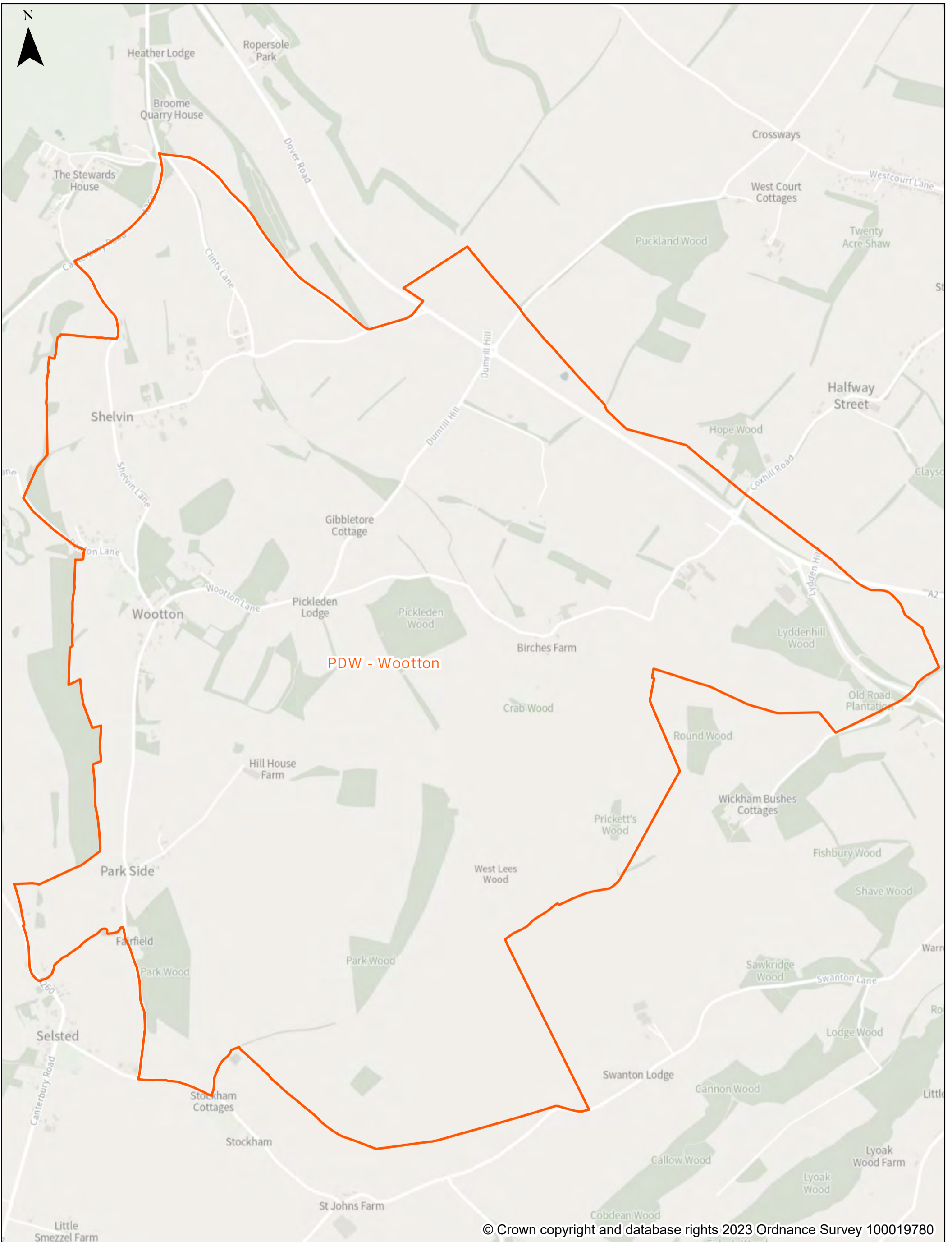
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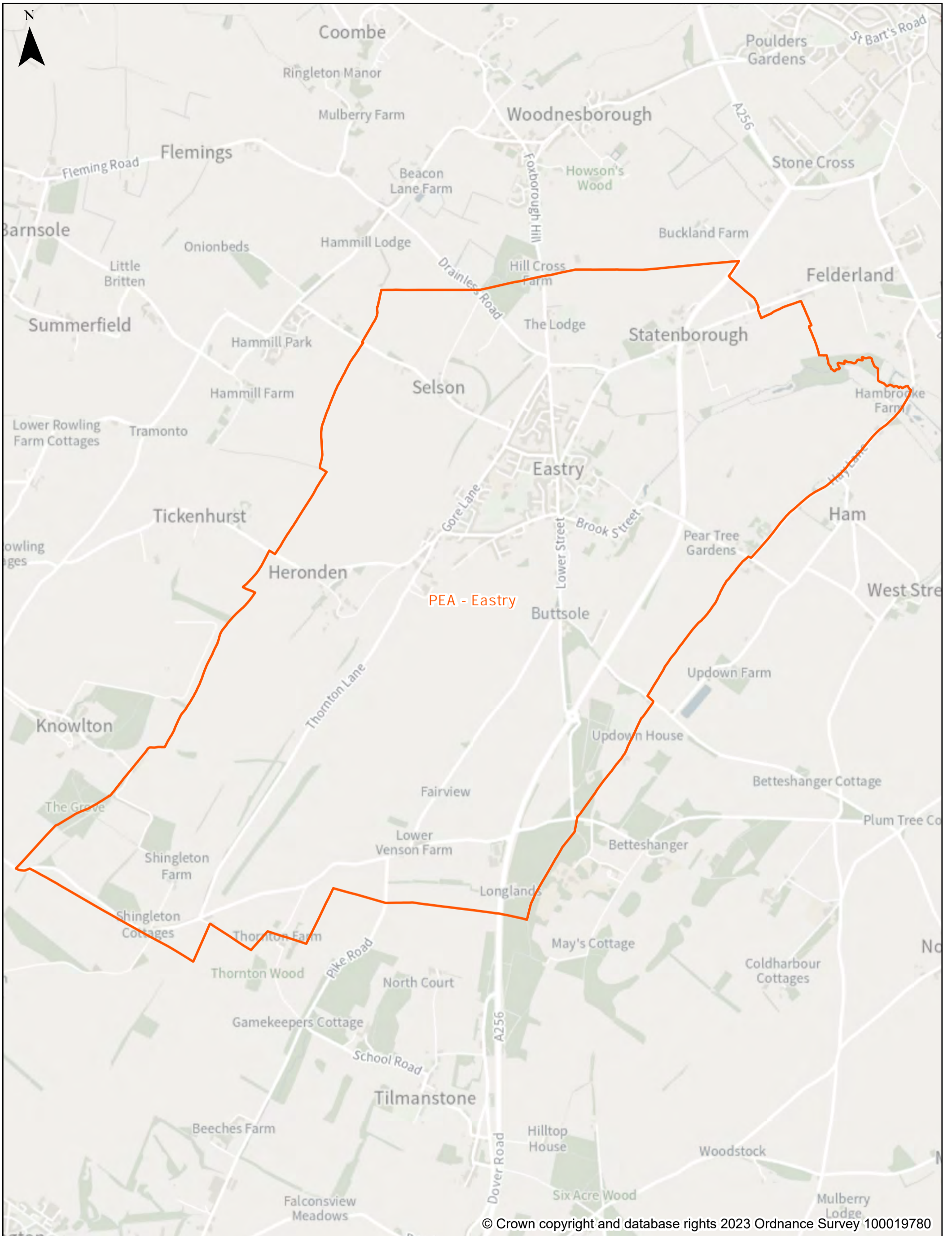


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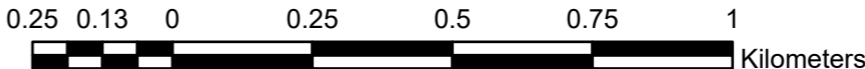


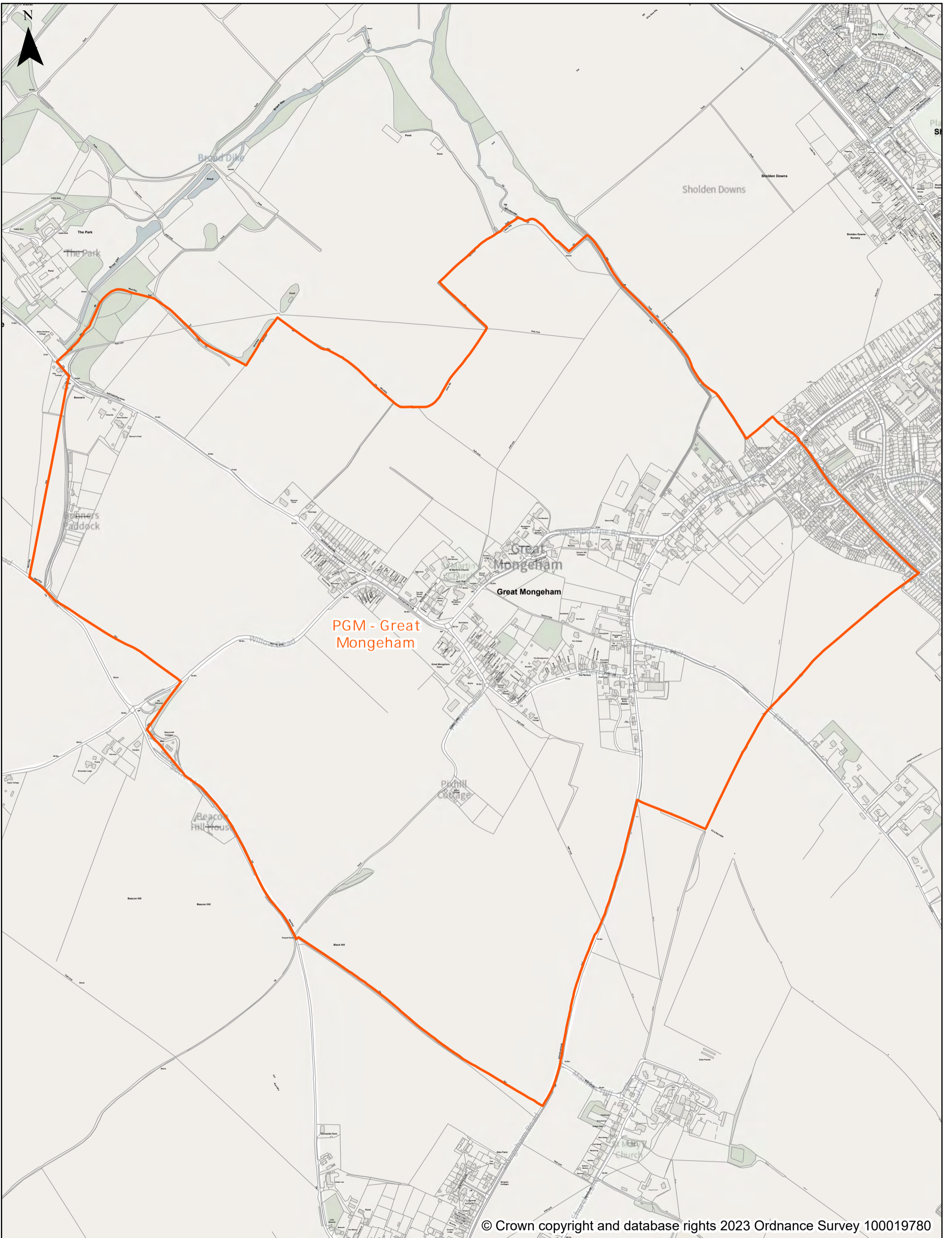
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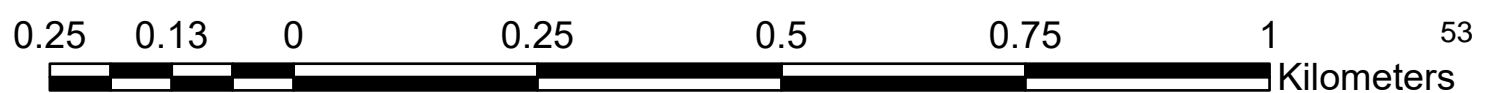


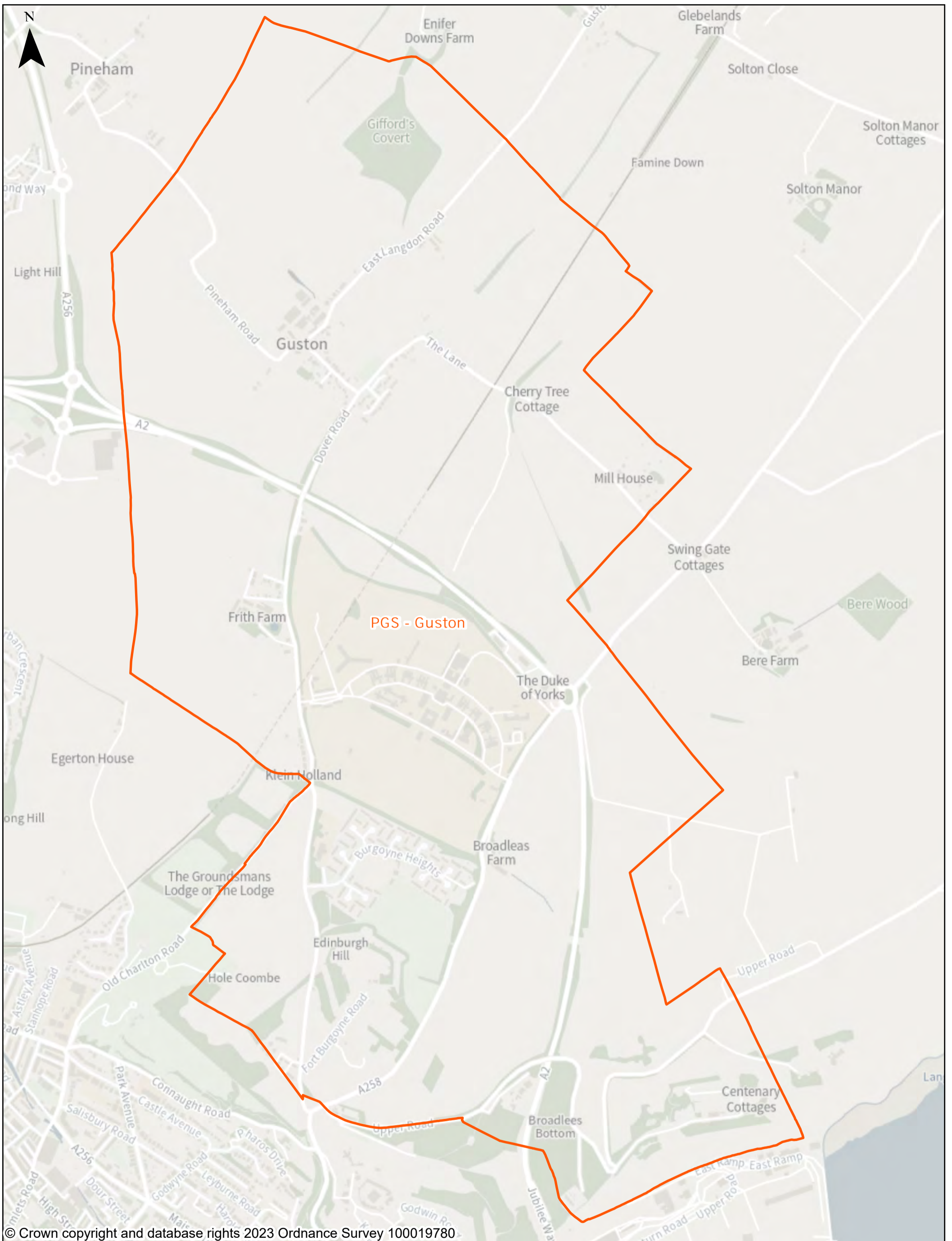


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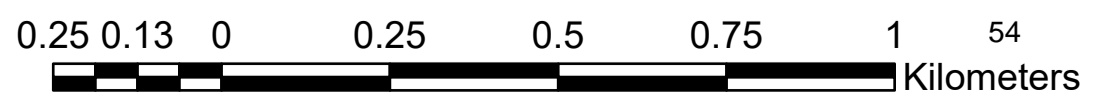




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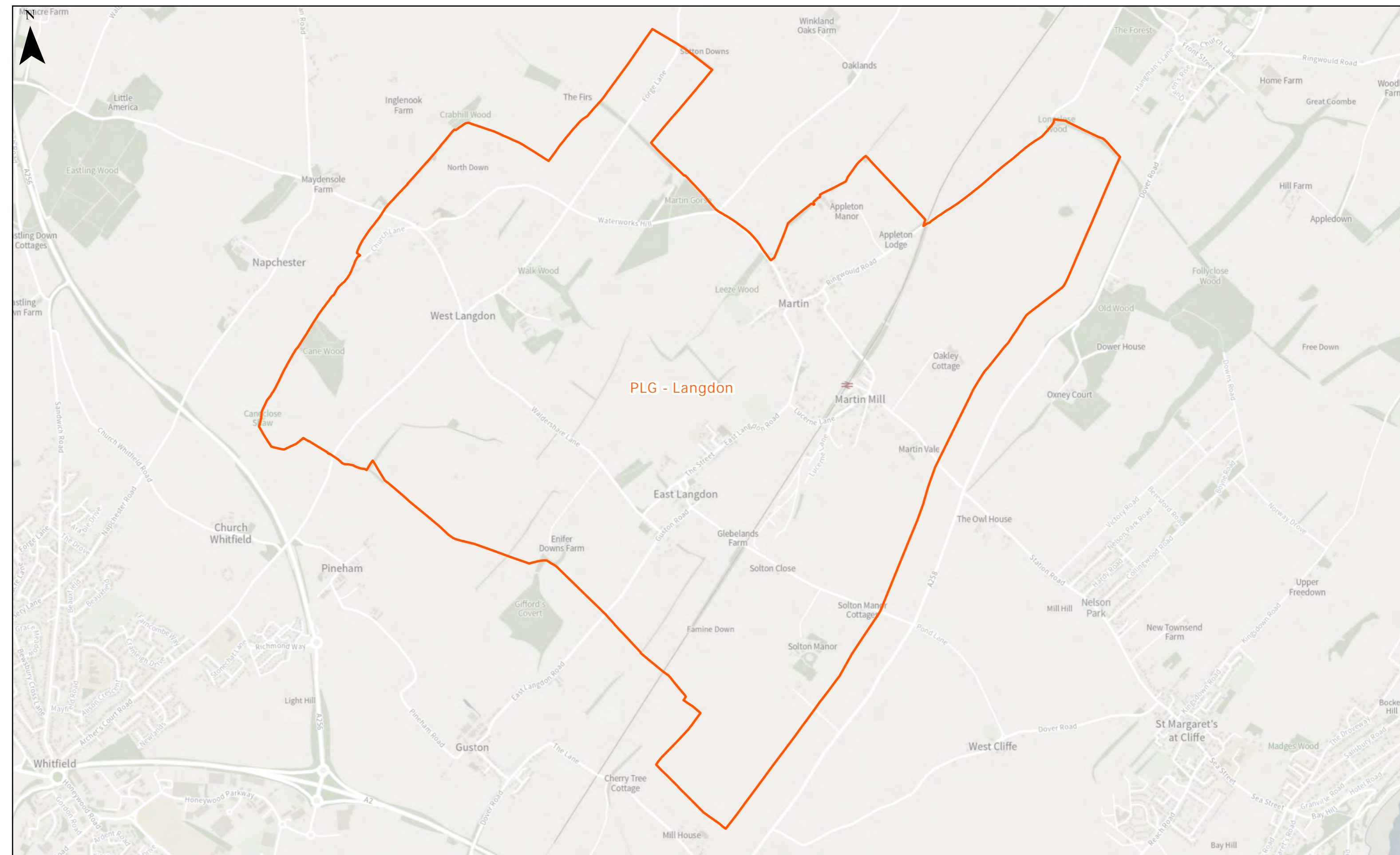


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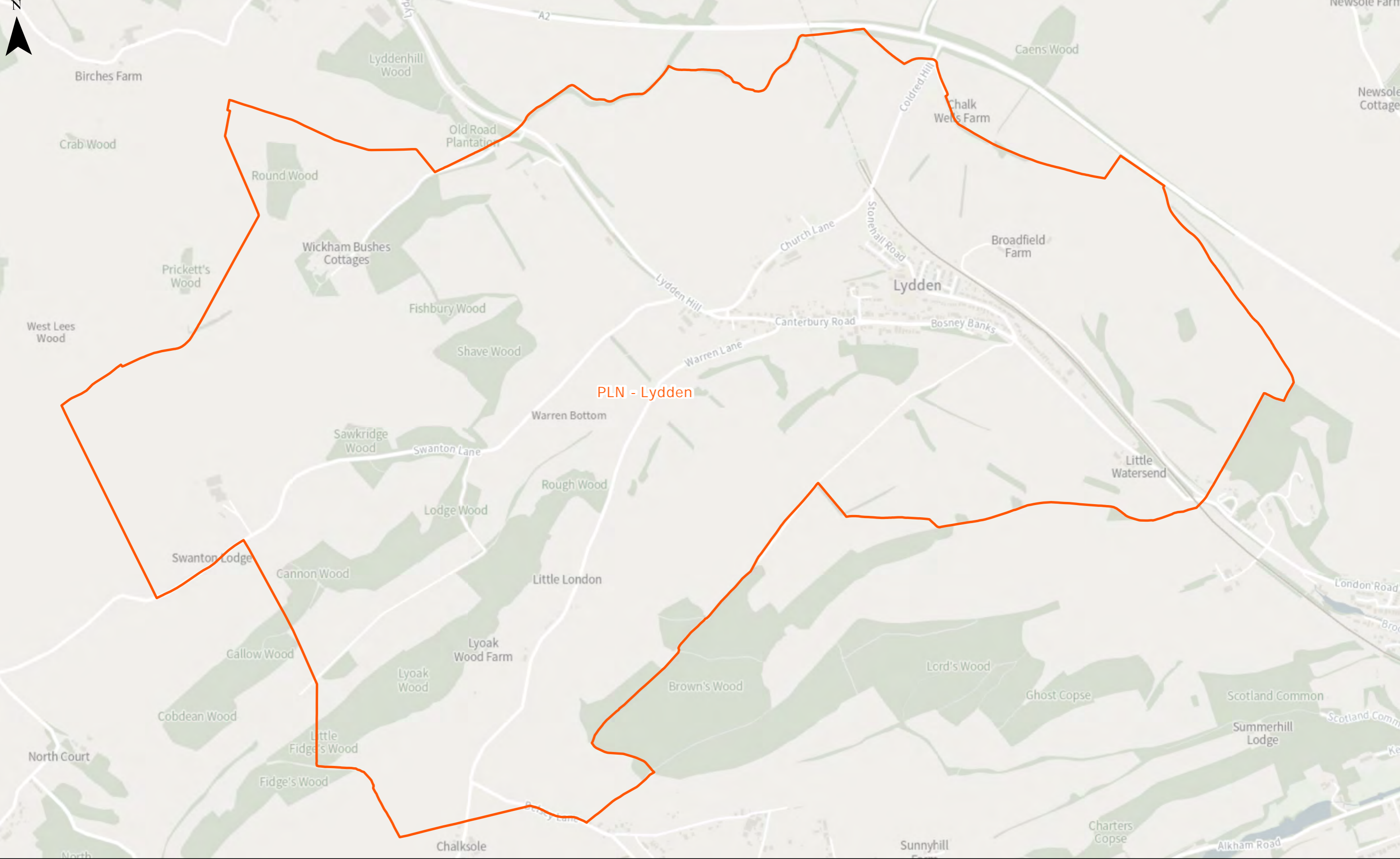


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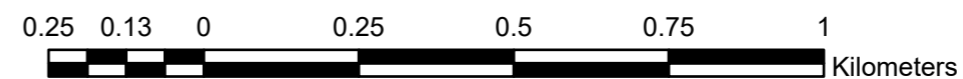


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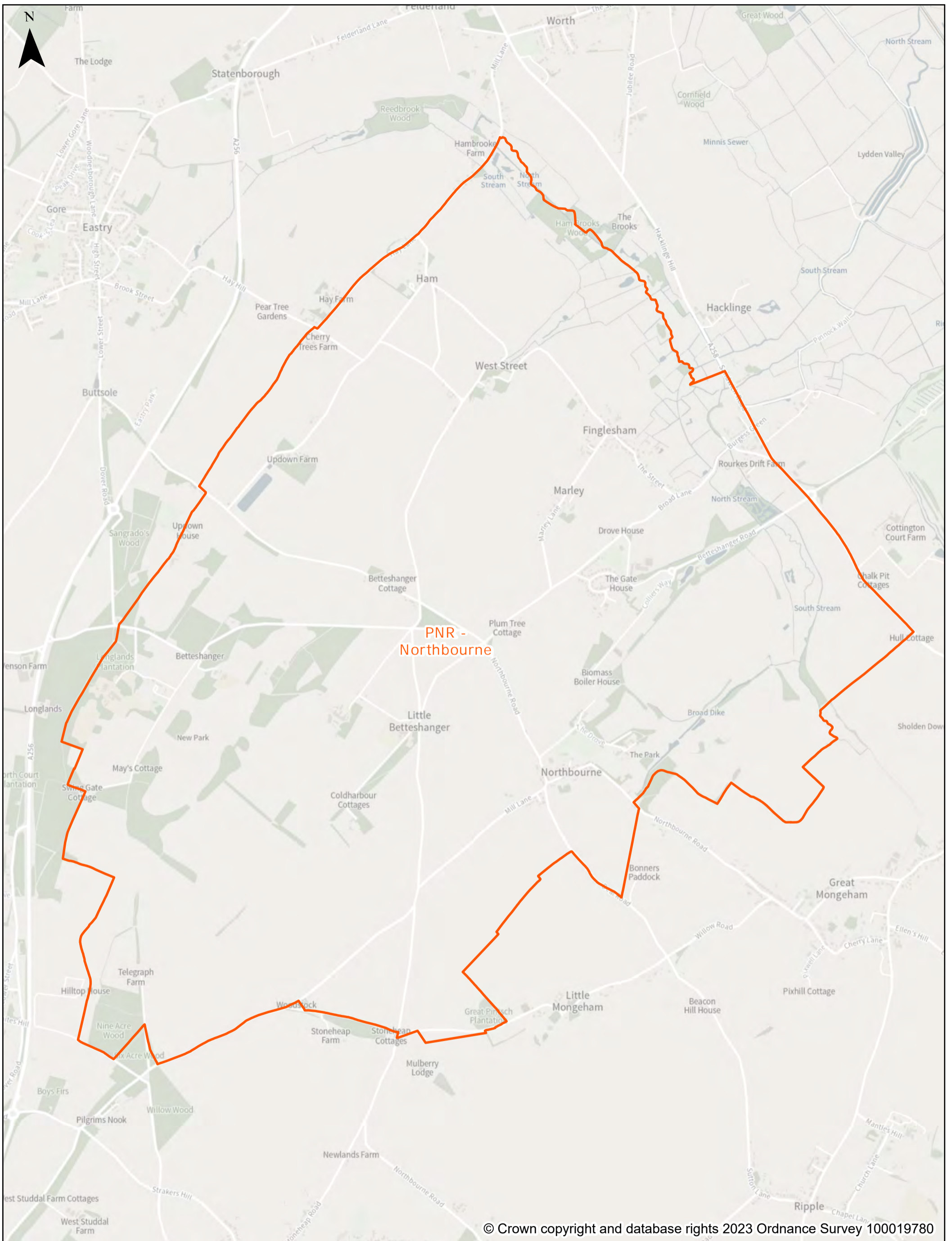
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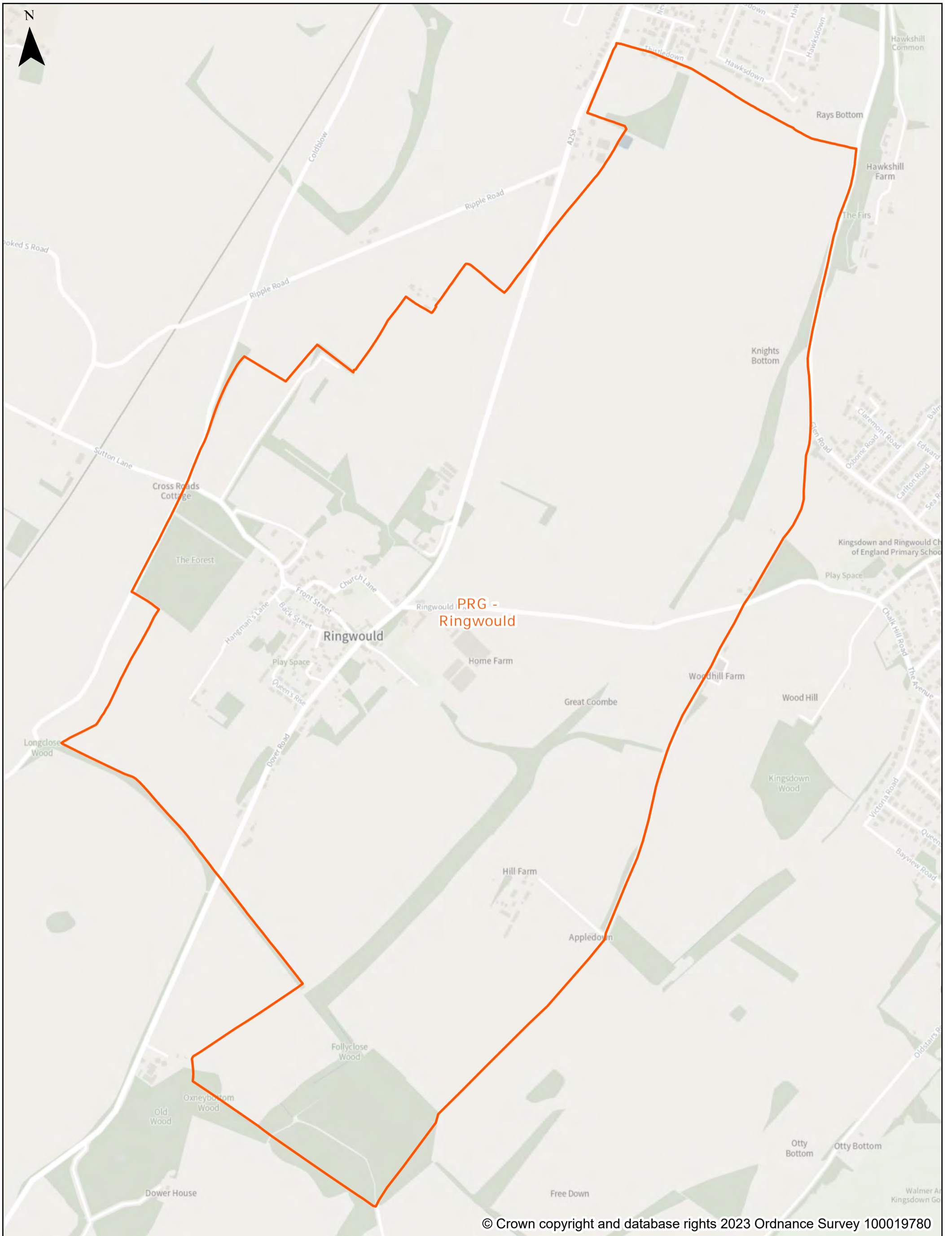
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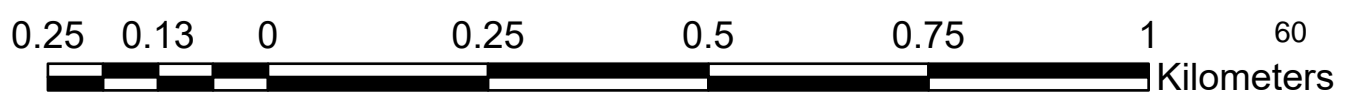


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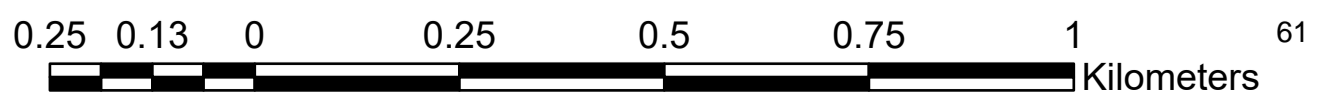


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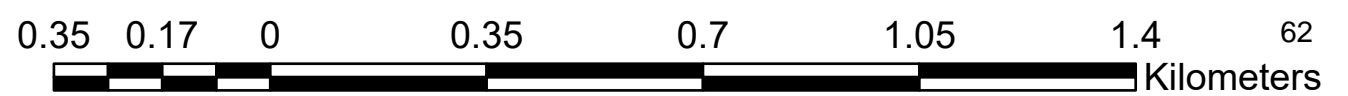




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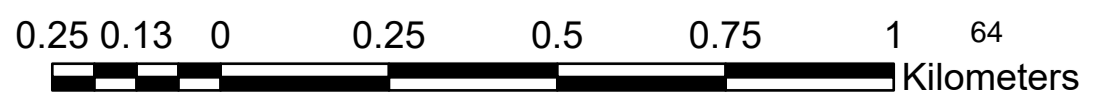


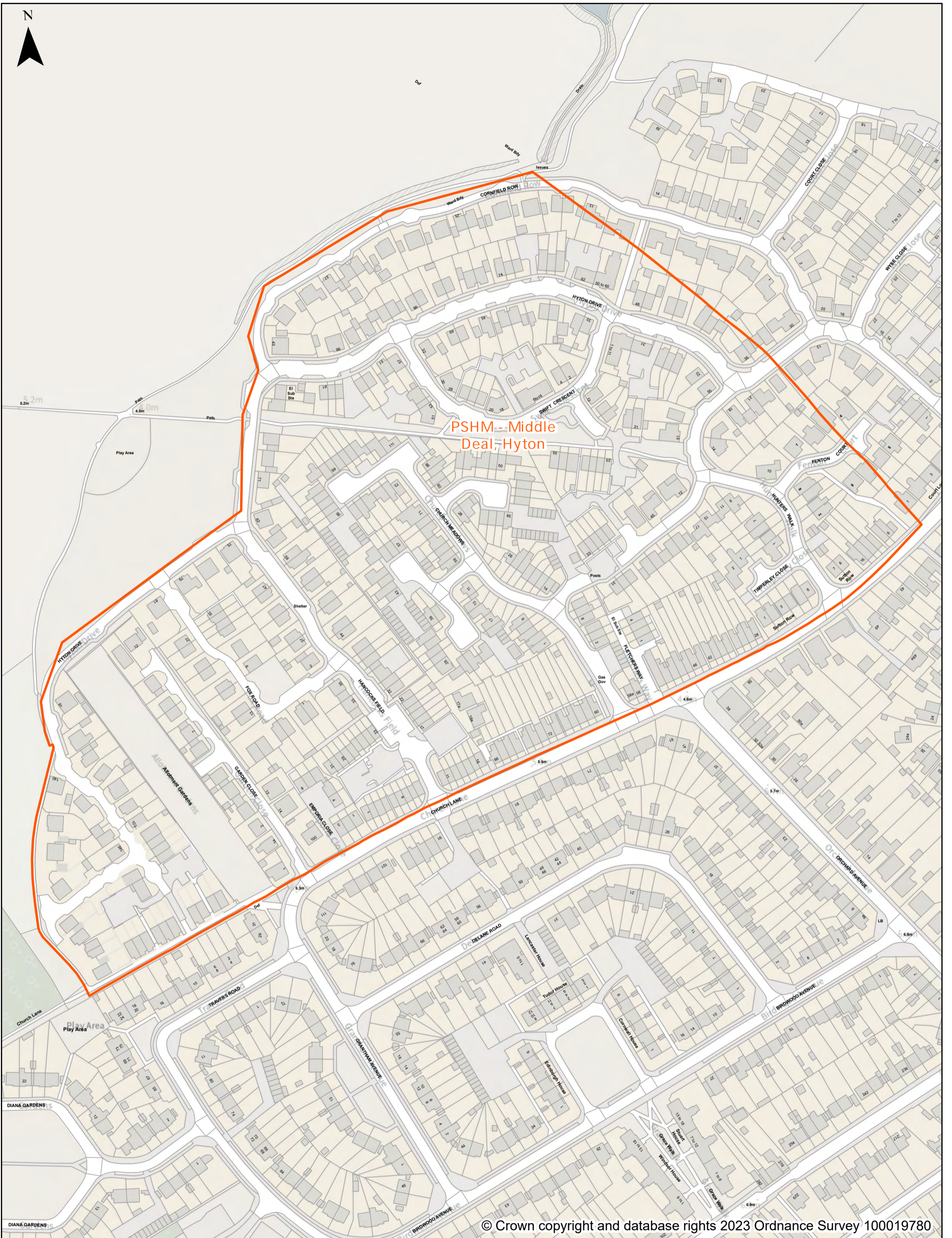


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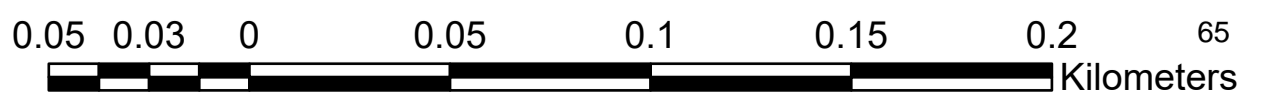


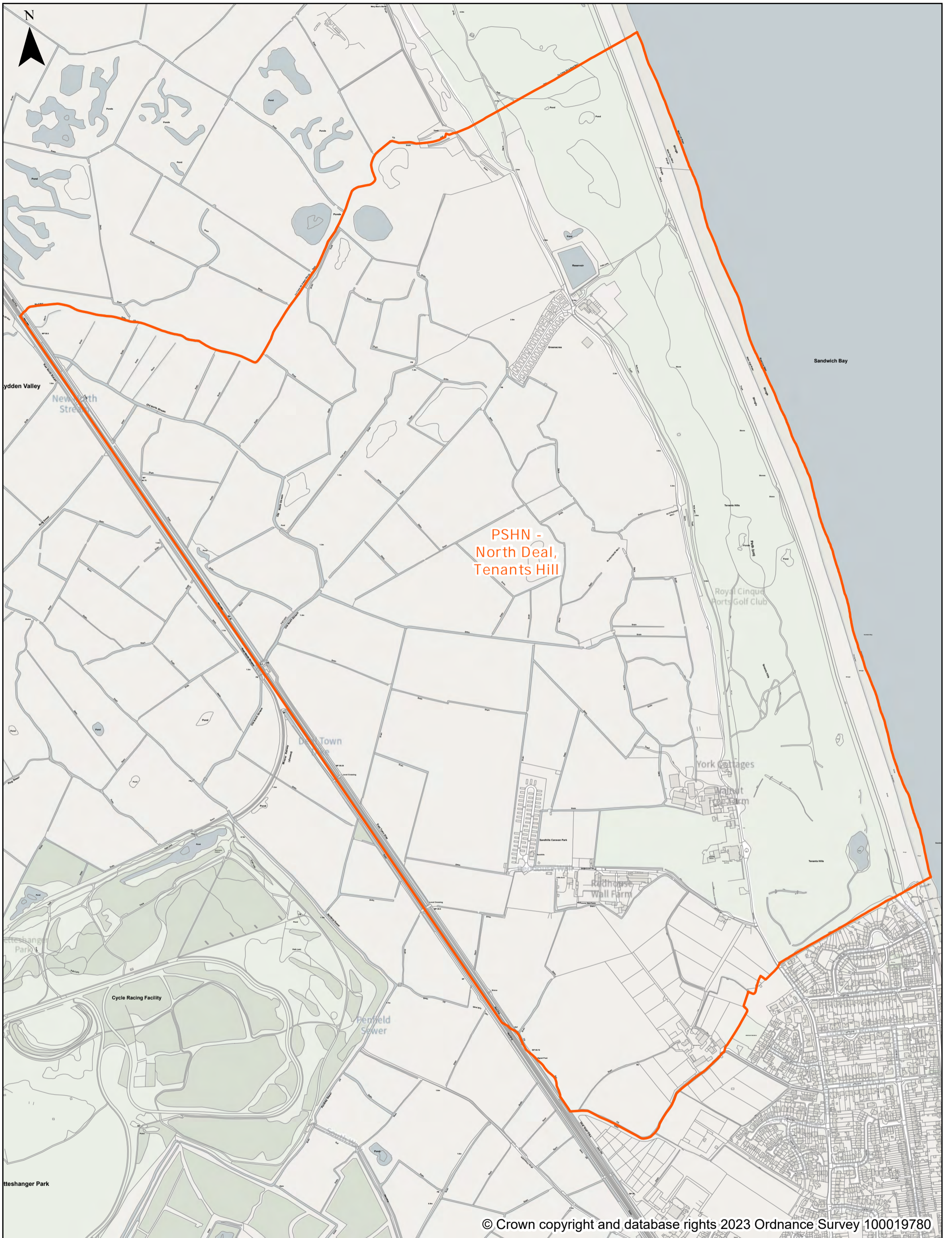
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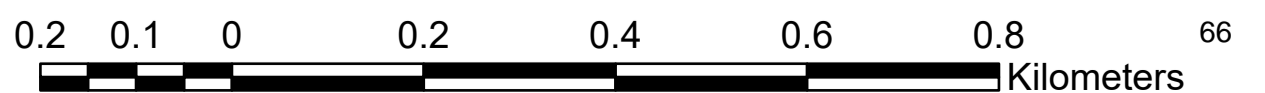


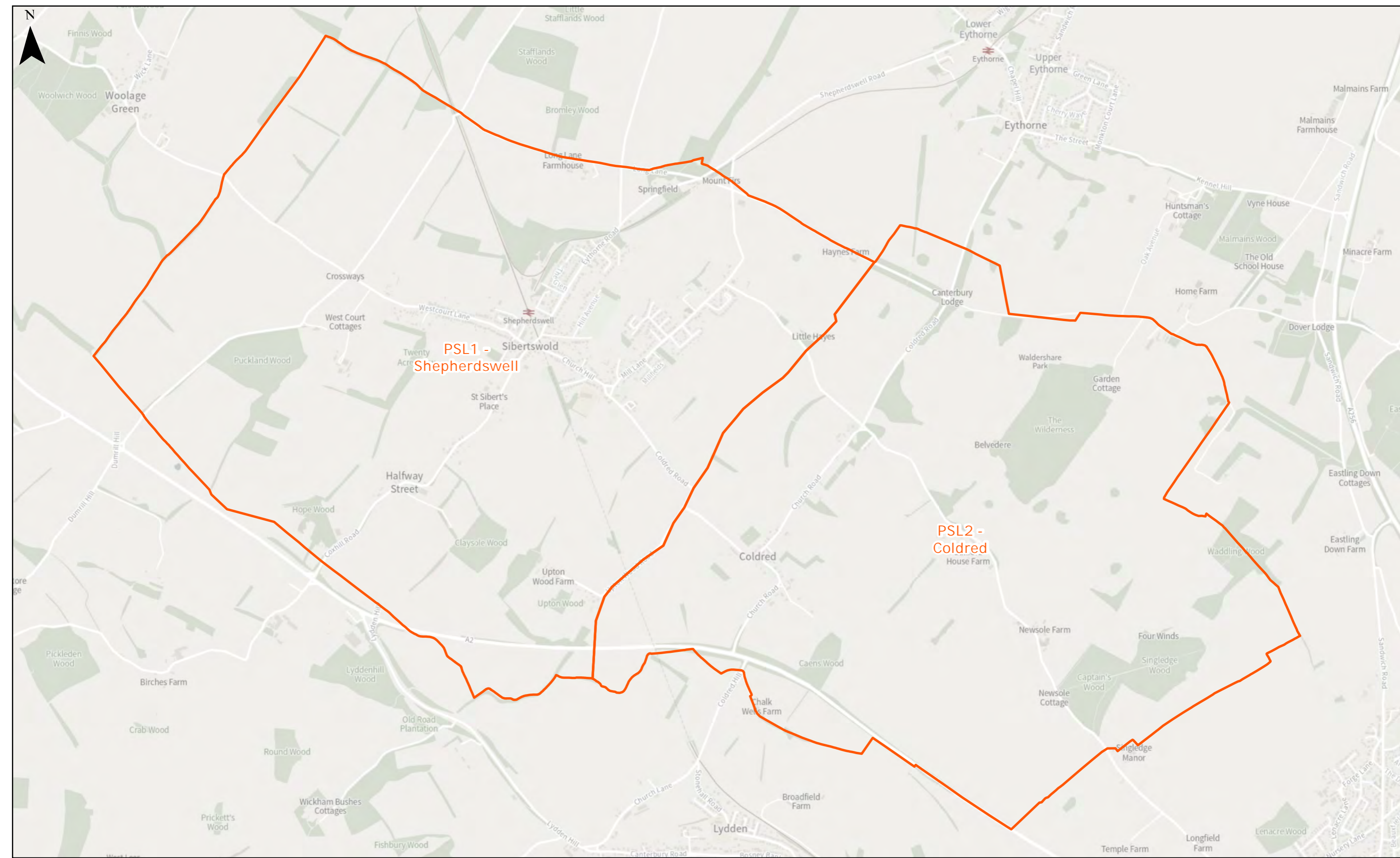


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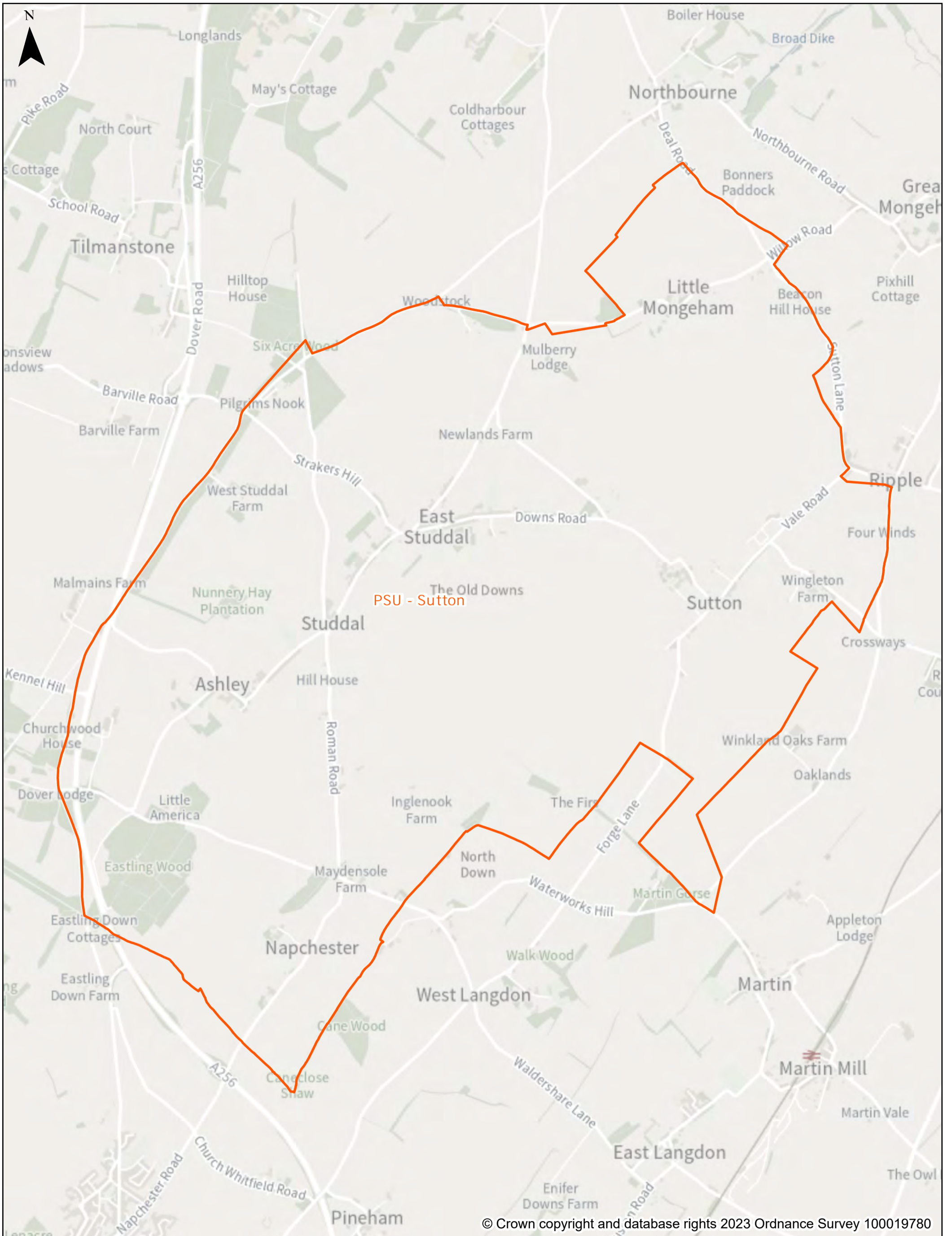


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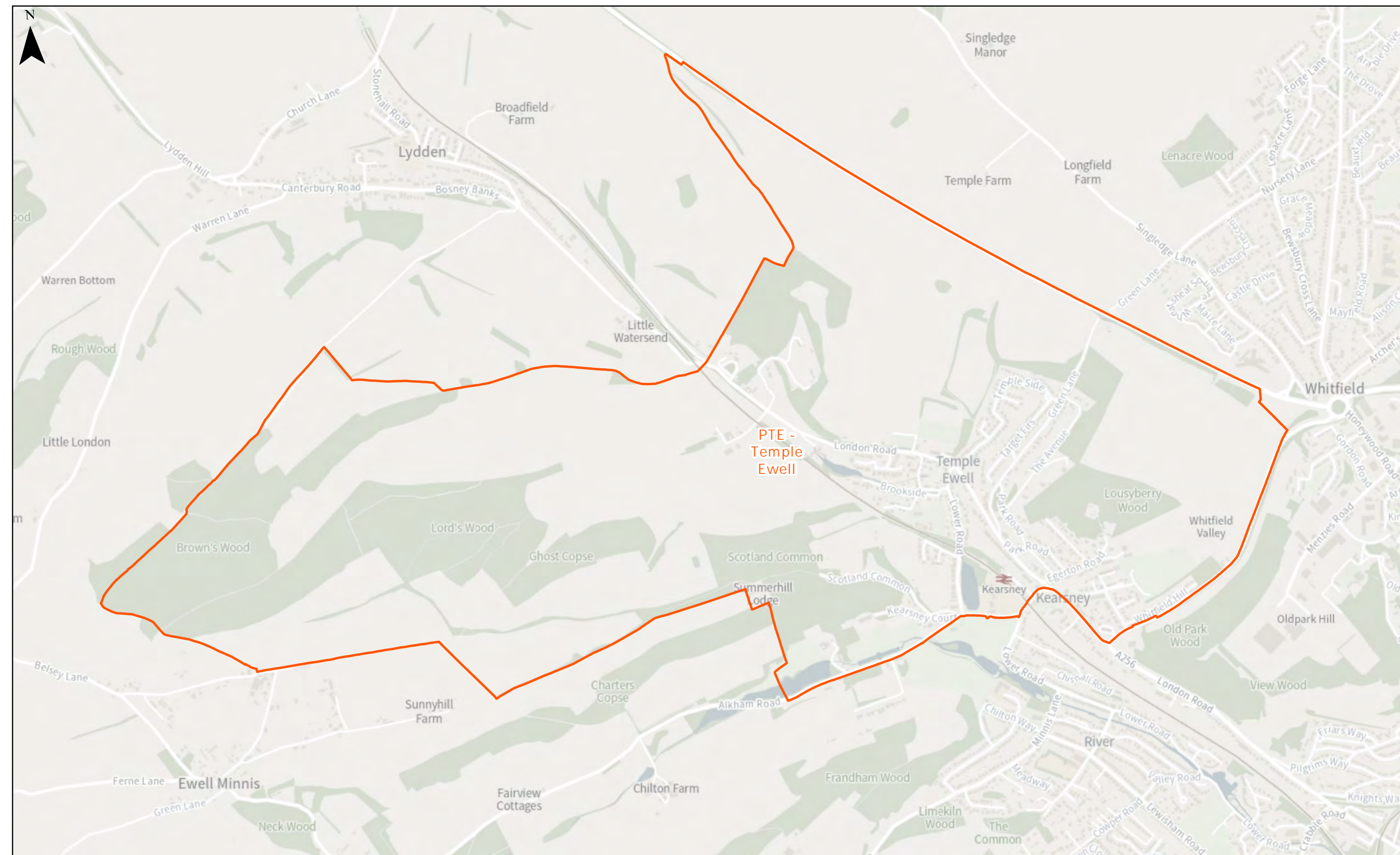


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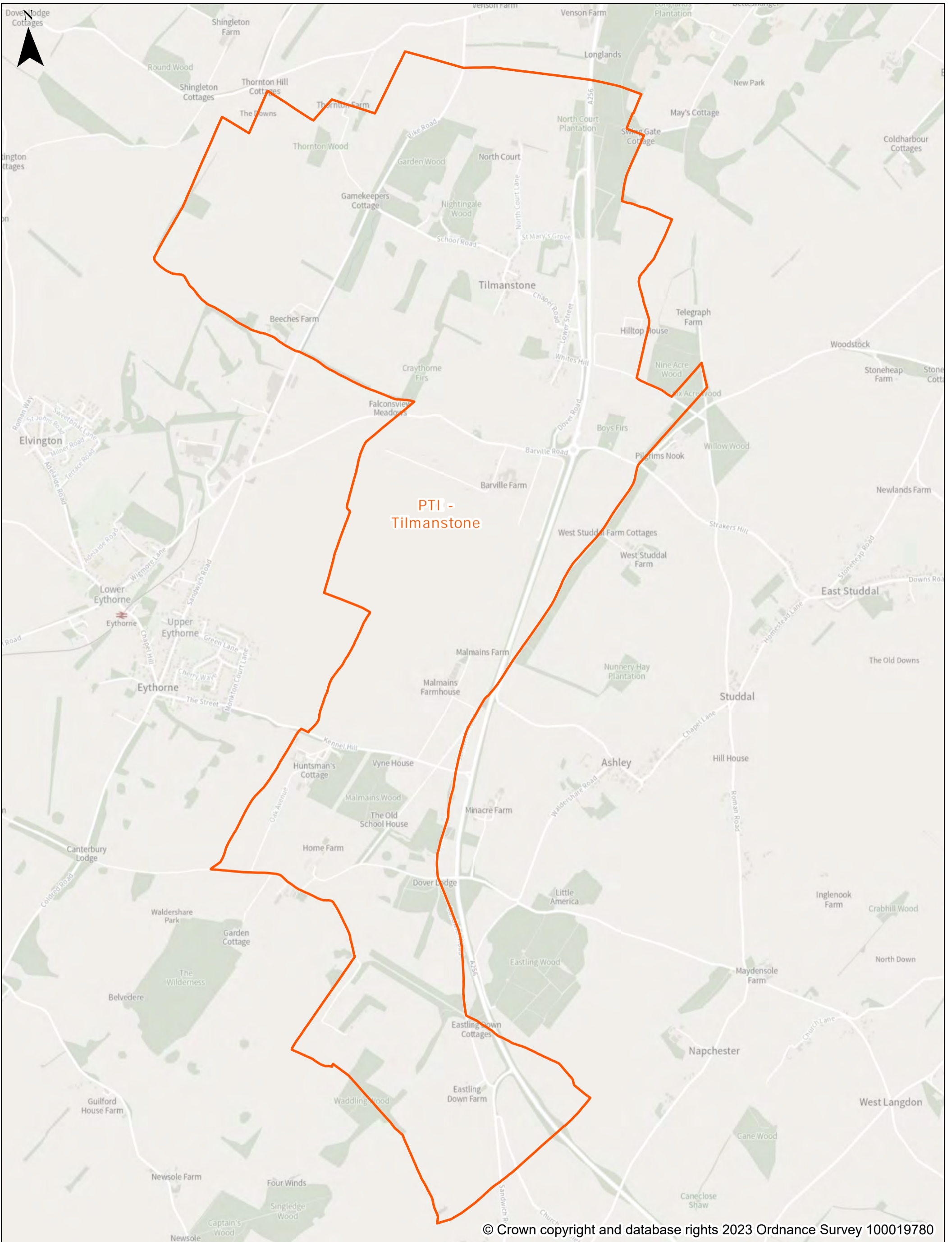
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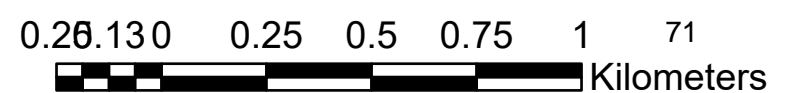




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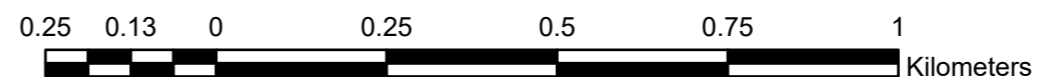


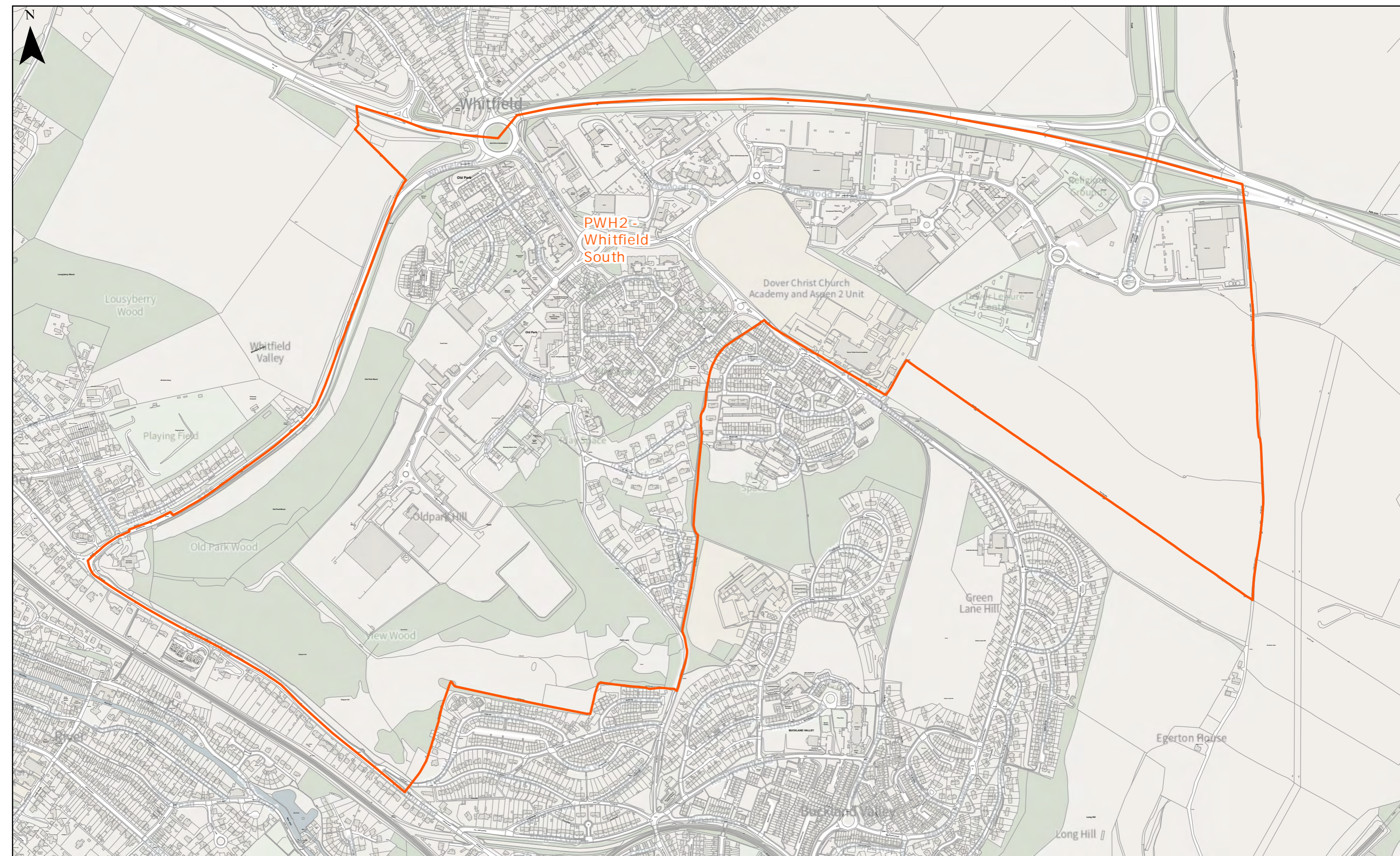
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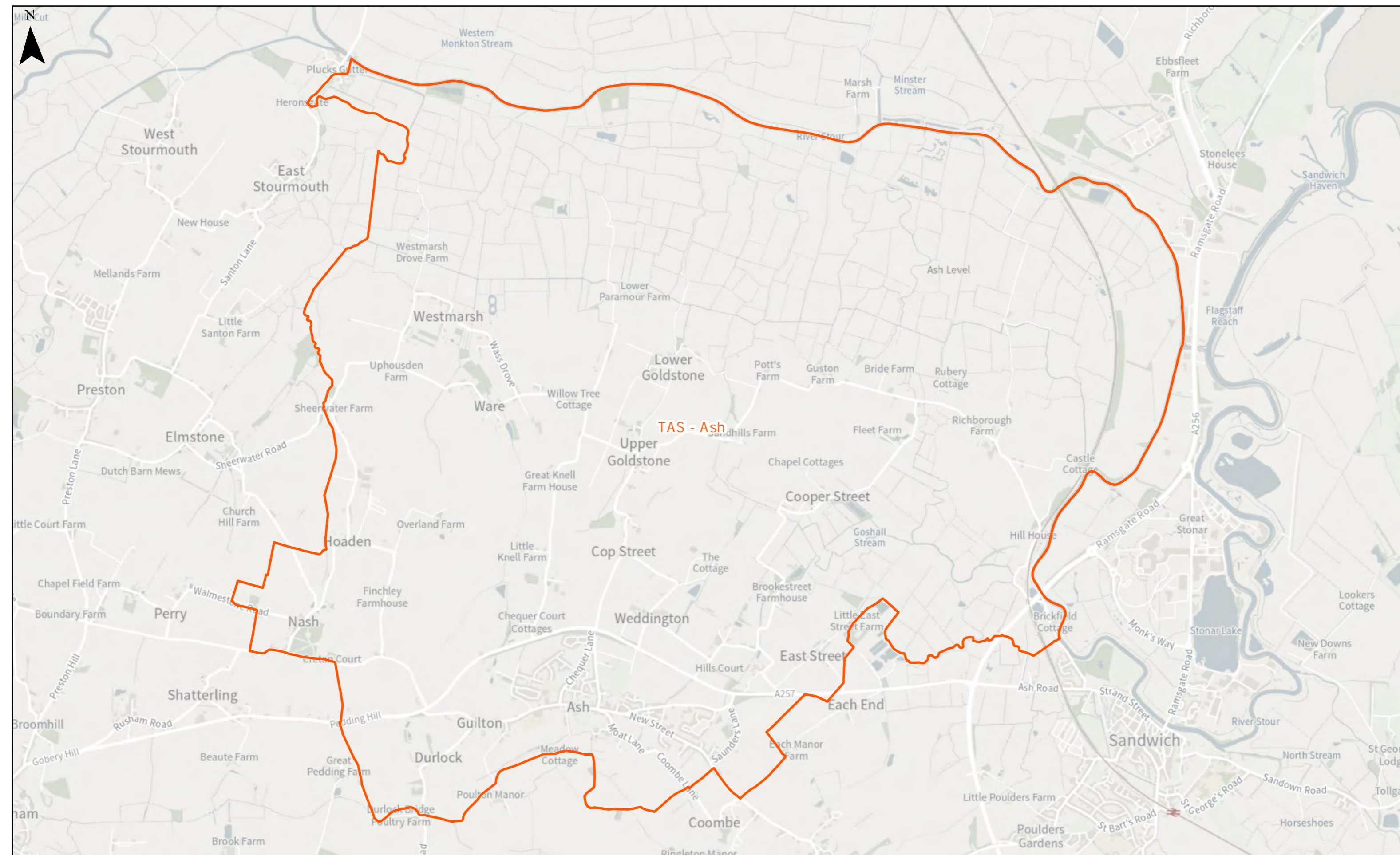
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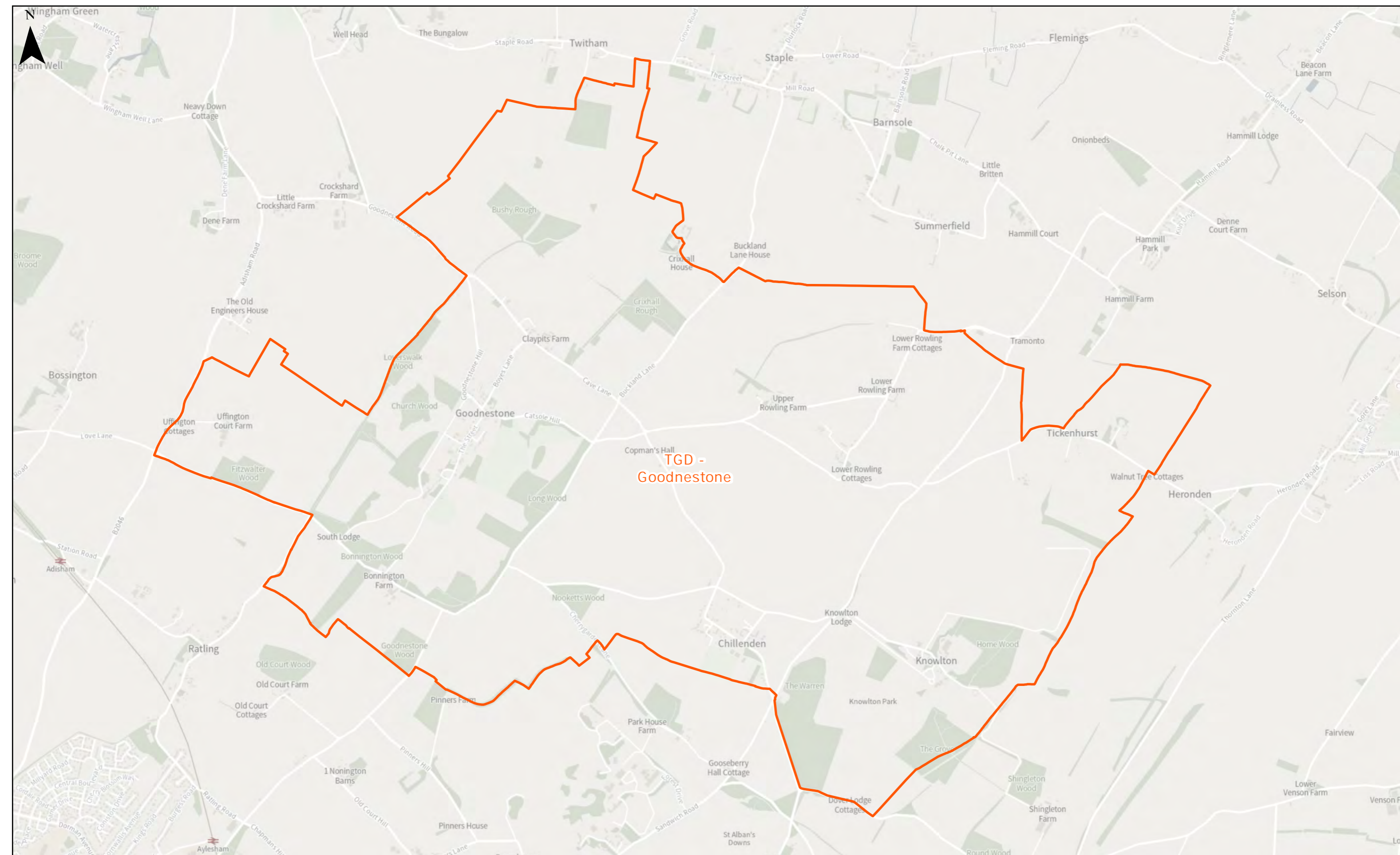
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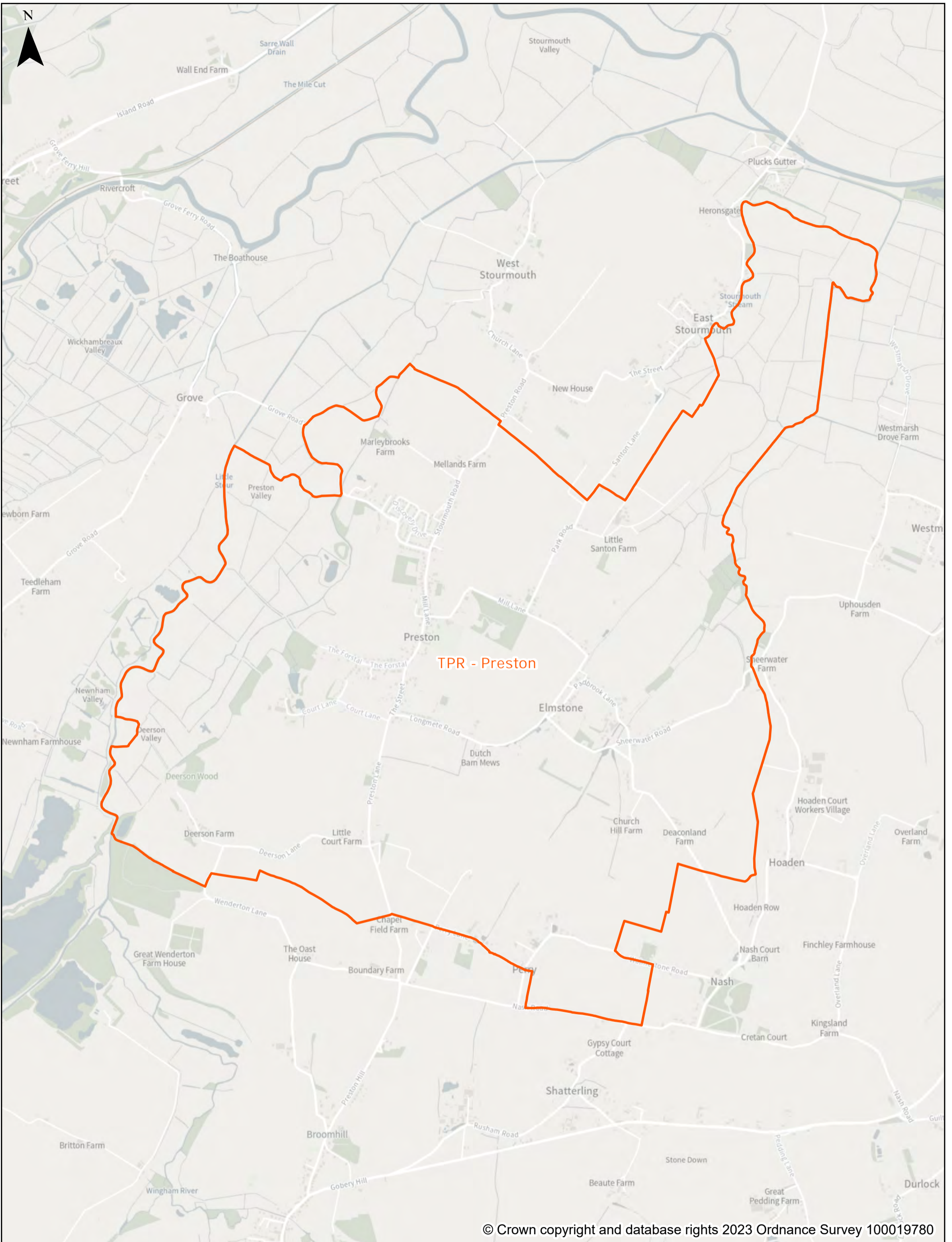
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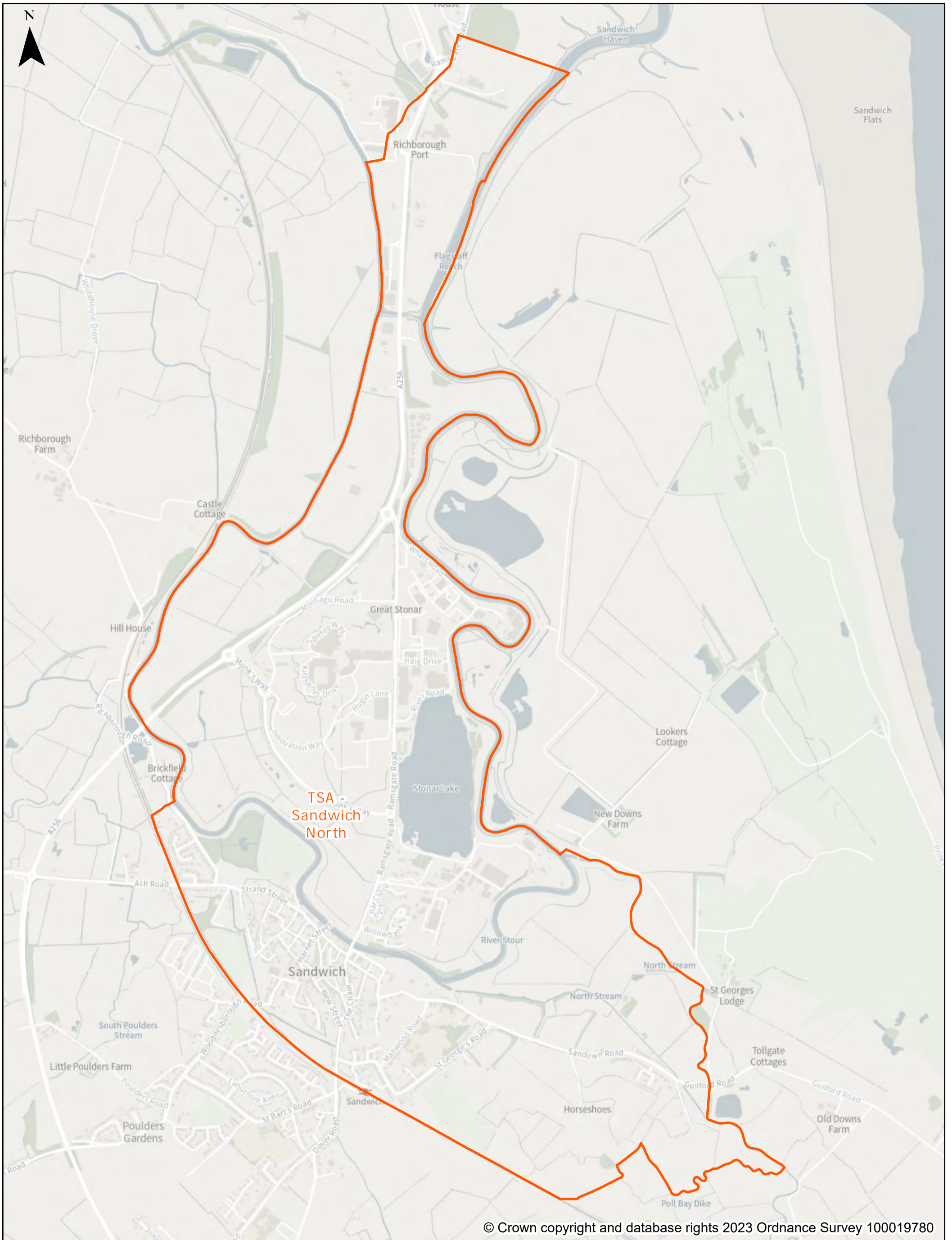


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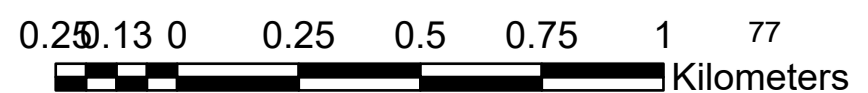


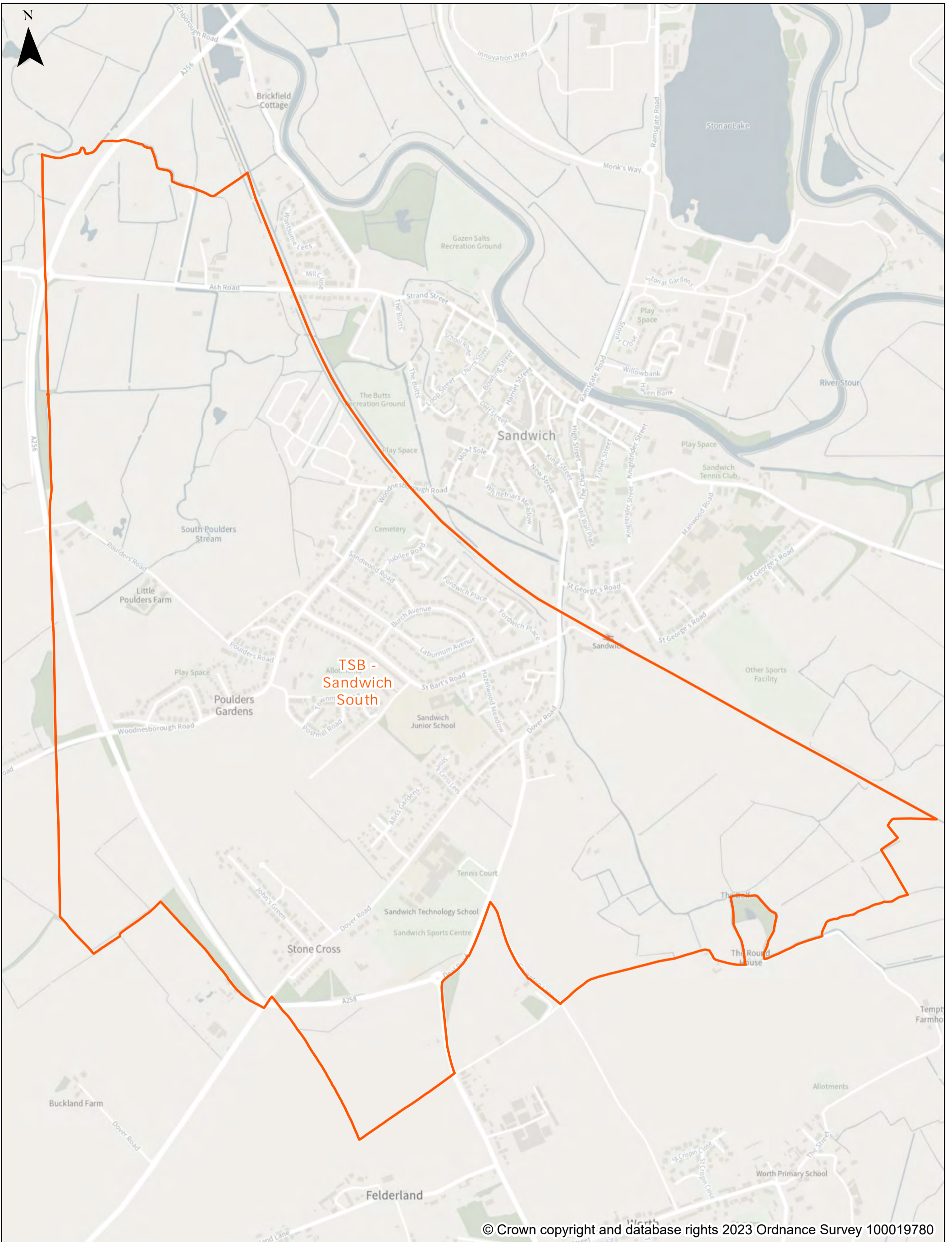
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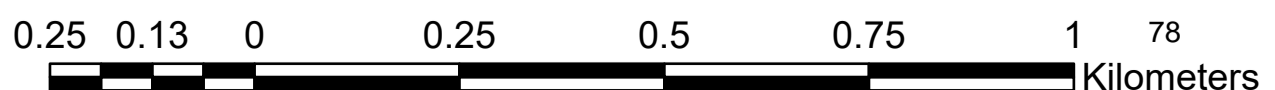


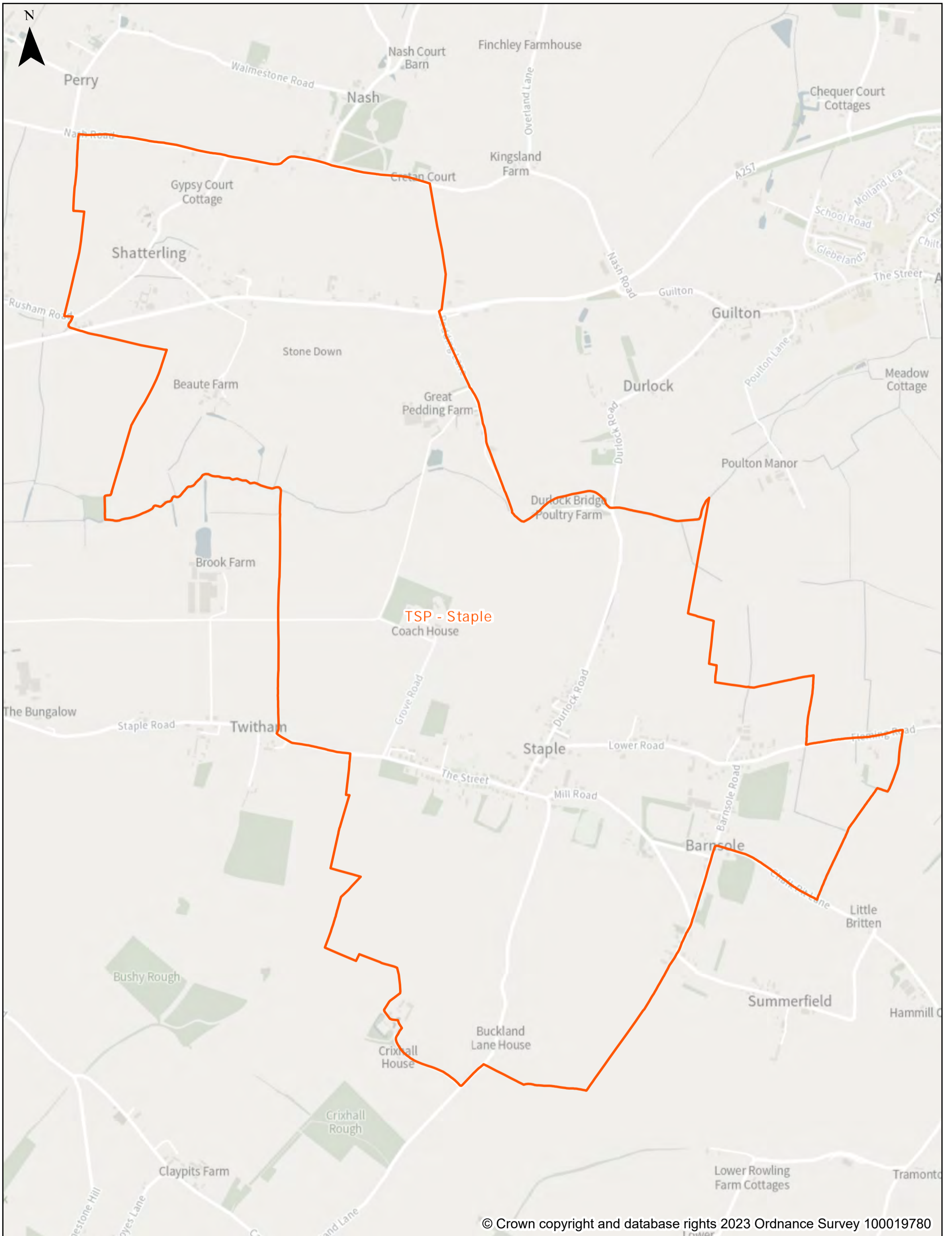
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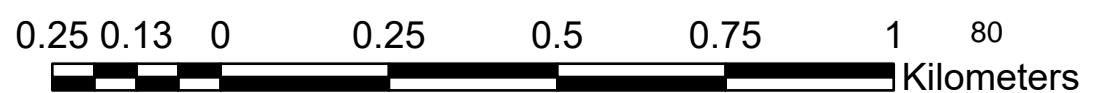


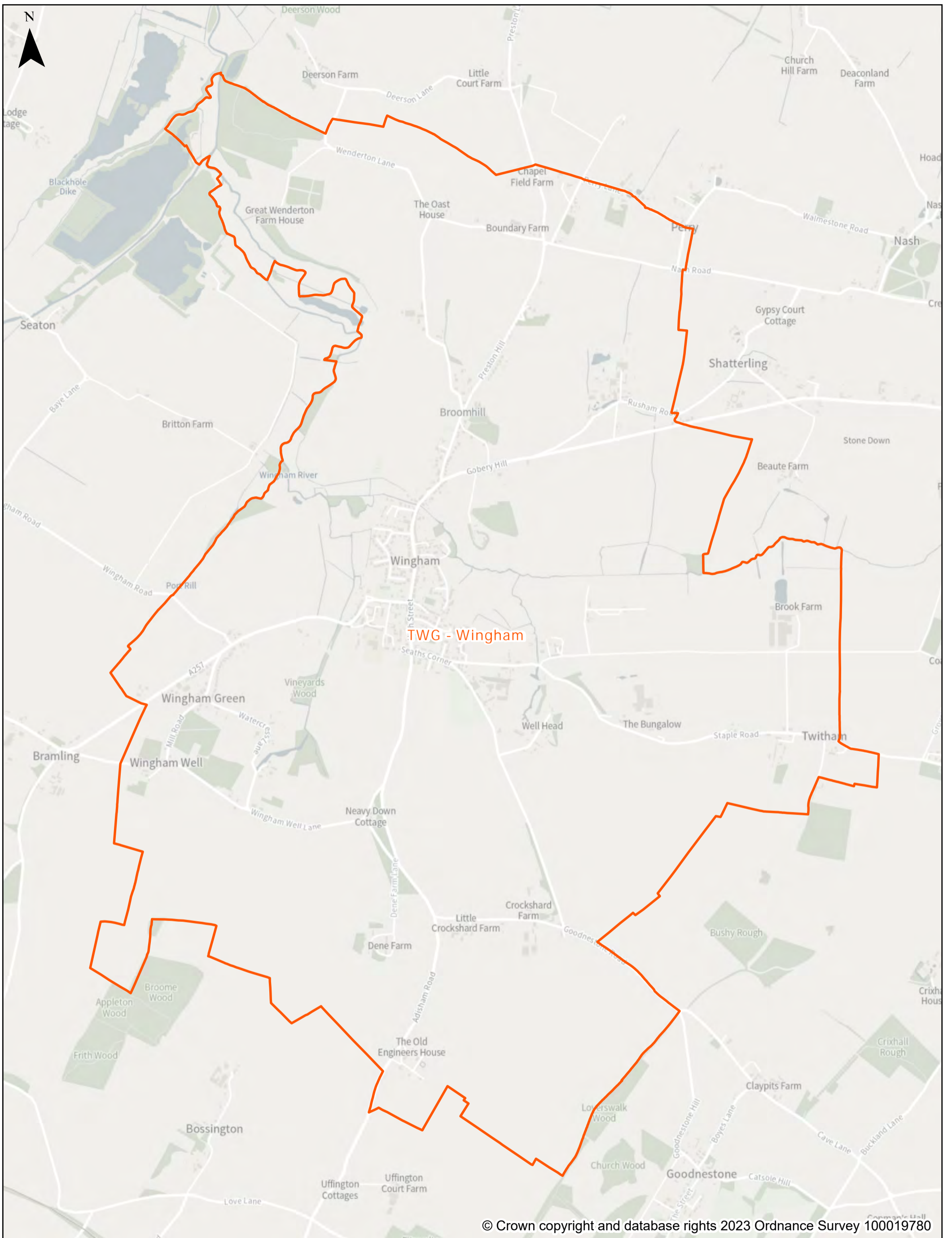


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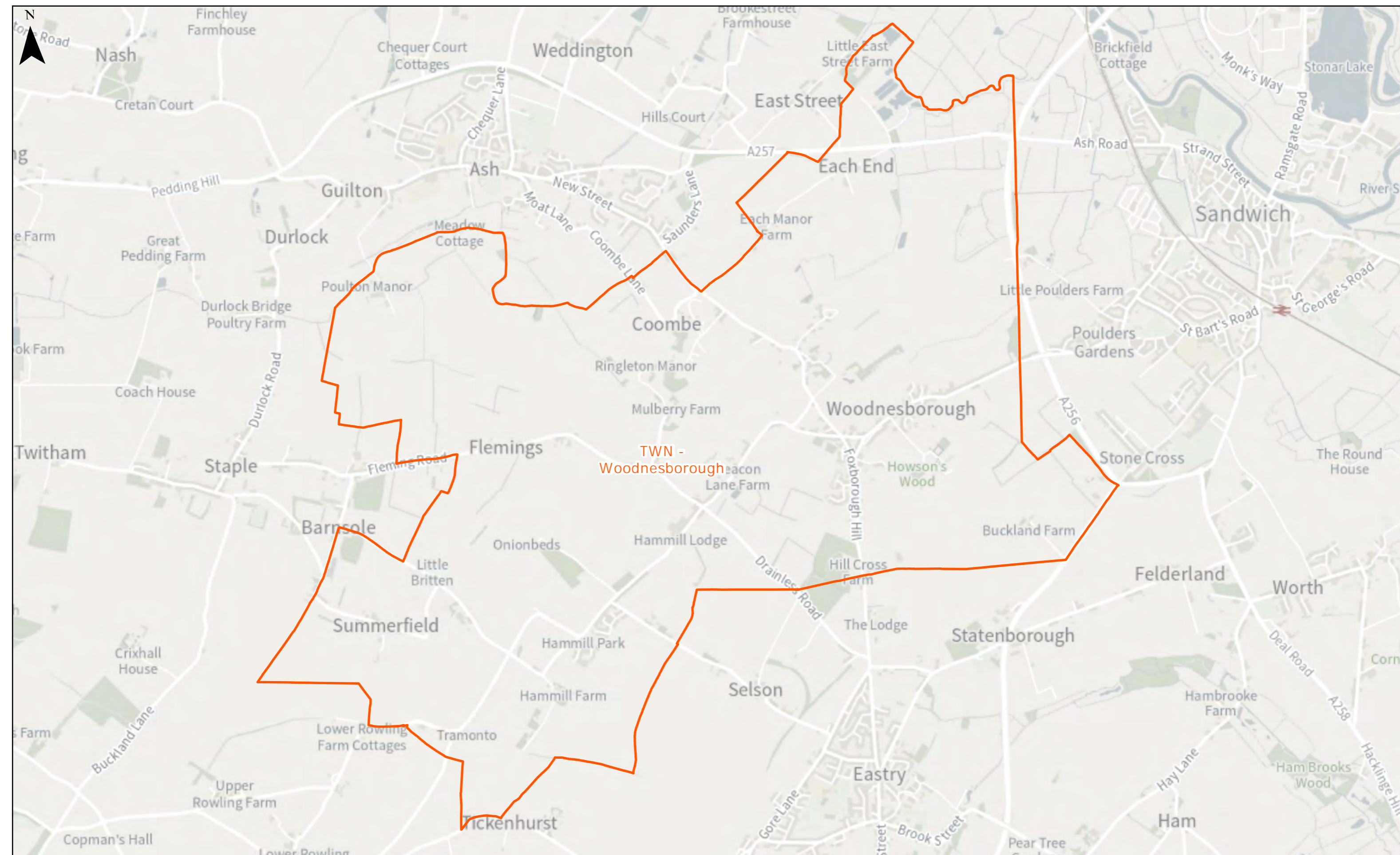
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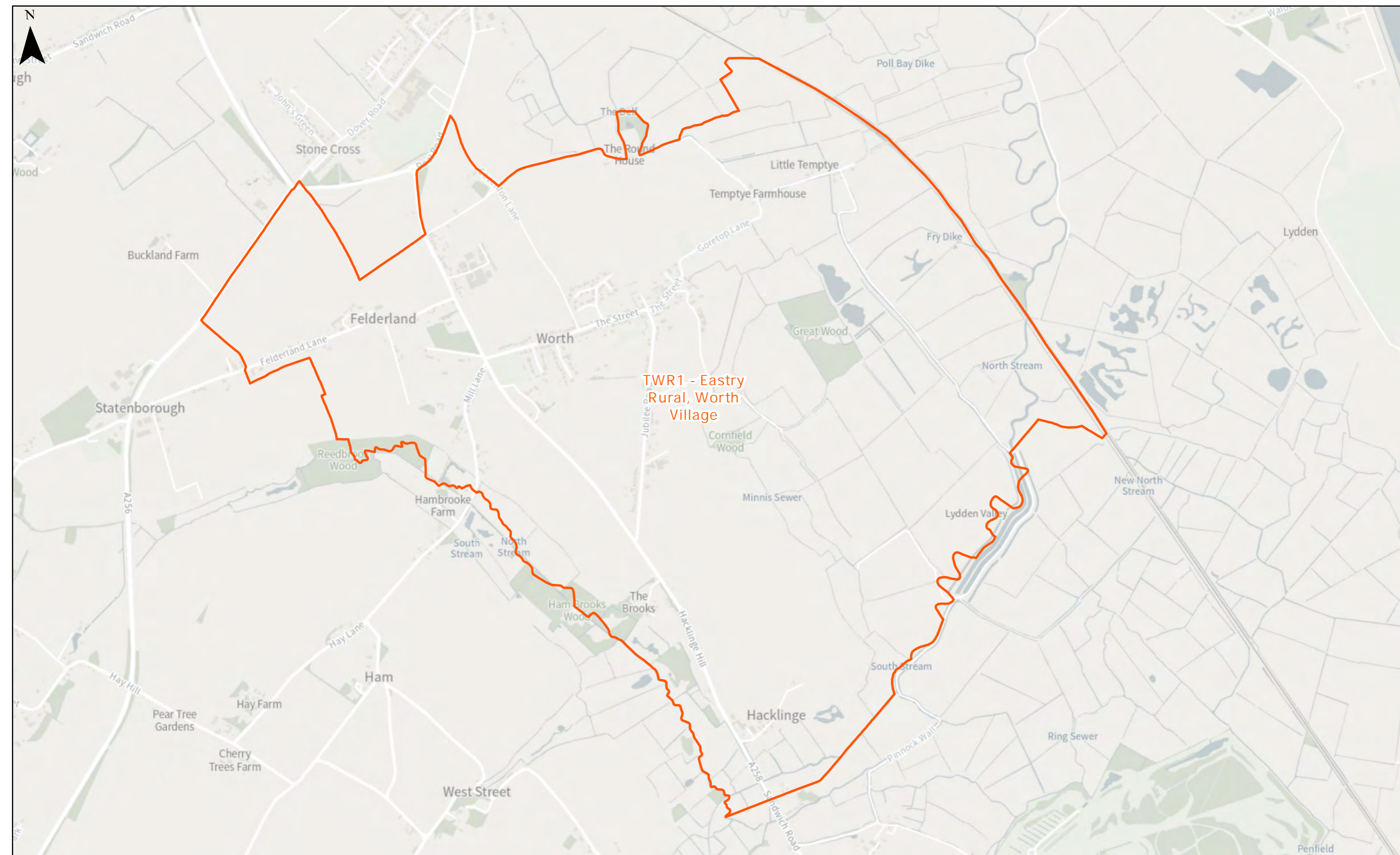


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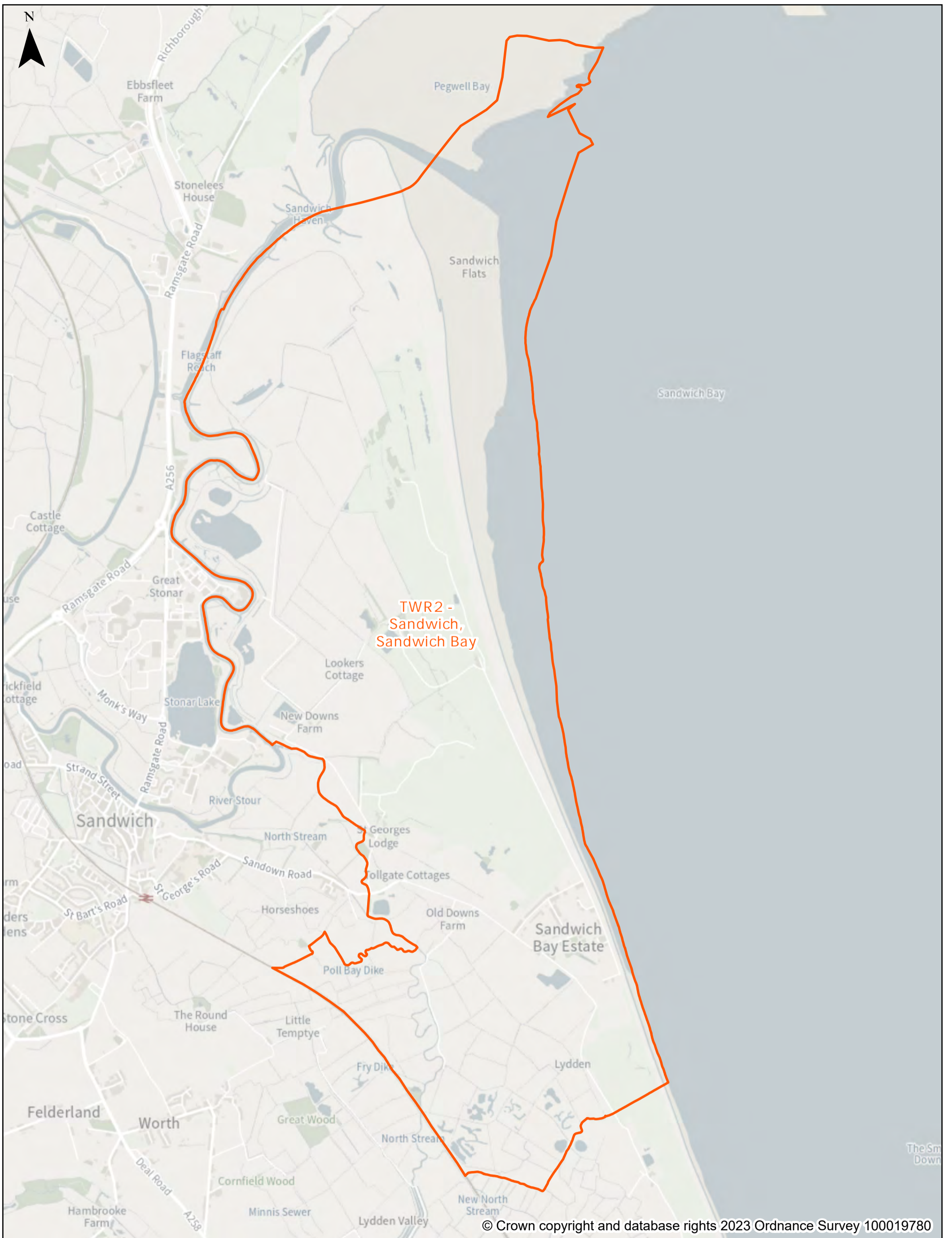
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The online response form for Part 1 of the Review had an optional section for suggested alternatives for polling stations / districts. Where this section was not completed as part of the response, there will be no entry for 'Alternative suggestions' in the table below.

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1	Nadeem Aziz, (Acting) Returning Officer for the current Dover Constituency and the future Dover & Deal Constituency, and Returning Officer for the Dover District.	Dover District	<p>In response to your letter dated 2 October 2023, I would request that the following changes be considered as part of the Polling District Review. The proposed changes are in line with the Boundary Commission for England's recent Parliamentary Boundary Review and to keep the polling places/stations within the recommended electorate thresholds from the Electoral Commission; the maps for the proposed polling districts can be viewed online at https://www.dover.gov.uk/elections</p> <p>In the event that the changes take place, I propose to use the indicated Polling Stations.</p> <p><u>Aylesham, Eythorne and Shepherdswell District Ward / Aylesham Parish</u></p> <p><u>Proposed Change</u></p> <p>1) Splitting Aylesham Parish into two separate polling districts, Aylesham East and Aylesham West, and keeping the currently used polling places, siting one in each polling district.</p> <p><u>Rationale behind proposal</u></p> <p>1) There has been a significant amount of new housing built in Aylesham in recent years and the Local Plan forecasts more housing on the way.</p> <p>2) Aylesham already needs two polling stations in order to keep under the maximum electorate thresholds recommended by the Electoral Commission. Splitting the area into two polling districts will allow each polling place in each polling district to have the potential to be split and used as a double polling station, thereby increasing the number of electors that can be allocated to each polling place.</p> <p><u>Proposed Polling Stations for Aylesham Parish</u></p> <p>Aylesham West – Aylesham Baptist Free Church, Dorman Avenue South, Aylesham</p> <p>Aylesham East – St Finbarr's Church, Market Place, Aylesham</p> <p><u>Eastry Rural District Ward & Sandwich District Ward / Worth Parish</u></p> <p><u>Proposed Change</u></p> <p>1) The recent Parliamentary Boundary Review has moved the Worth Village Parish Ward / polling district part of Worth Parish into the Dover and Deal Constituency (formerly known as Dover Constituency) from the Herne Bay and Sandwich Constituency (formerly in the South Thanet Constituency). The Sandwich Bay Parish Ward / polling district part of Worth Parish will be in the newly formed Herne Bay and Sandwich Constituency (The South Thanet Constituency will be reformed and known as East Thanet. No part of the Dover district will be in East Thanet).</p> <p><u>Rationale behind proposal</u></p> <p>1) The changes are part of the recently completed Parliamentary Boundary Review by the Boundary Commission for England.</p>	<p><i>Representation by Local Resident, Maxton:</i> All voting areas and stations should be free of any government interference (local or National) and fixed in a law that can not be changed by the government. As all changes appear to be done for the government in power's advantage.</p> <p><i>Representation by Martin Porter, DDC Councillor, Little Stour & Ashstone:</i> Quality of venues are variable and as a poll clerk and presiding officer I have some experience of venues</p>	<p>Polling districts, places and stations are reviewed and consulted on every 5 years to ensure that what was relevant 5 years ago is still relevant today.</p> <p>For example,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the buildings used as polling stations haven't been demolished or changed use, • polling boundaries haven't changed as part of a boundary review, • better sited polling stations haven't been built / become available, • an increase in electorate hasn't rendered a current polling station ineligible for use, • a polling district boundary which previously ran through an empty field and now runs through several houses on a new housing estate would need adjusting. <p>If polling districts, places and stations were fixed in law – and a law that cannot be altered - these things could not be changed or updated.</p> <p>The review goes to public consultation so electors have the opportunity to influence the decisions being made, should they chose to take part.</p>

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			<p><u>Proposed Polling Stations</u> Worth Parish; Worth Village Parish Ward – Worth Parish Hall, The Street, Worth (no change) Worth Parish; Sandwich Bay Parish Ward – Sandwich United Reform Church, 12 Cattle Market, Sandwich (no change)</p> <p><u>Little Stour and Ashstone District Ward / Ash Parish</u></p> <p><u>Proposed Change</u> 1) The polling station in Ash is very close to the threshold of electorate recommended by the Electoral Commission. It is proposed that we use the main hall of the village hall (instead of the library which has been used on previous occasions) and split the existing polling station into two polling stations in the same hall.</p> <p><u>Rationale behind proposal</u> 1) A new polling district is not necessary as splitting the area between two polling stations in the same polling place would ensure no confusion amongst electors who have traditionally voted at the village hall.</p> <p><u>Proposed Polling Stations</u> Ash Parish - Ash Village Hall (Main Hall), Queens Road, Ash to be used as a double polling station</p> <p><u>Buckland District Ward / Dover Town Council, Buckland Ward</u></p> <p><u>Proposal</u> To leave polling districts BC1 and BC2 unchanged, and if the electorate figures for polling station voters increase to above recommended levels, to make a double polling station in the same polling place.</p> <p><u>Rationale behind proposal</u> 1) A new polling district is not necessary as splitting each polling place into two polling stations would ensure no confusion amongst electors. There are also very limited choices for new polling stations in those areas, so if the polling district was split, electors could then be forced outside of their own polling district to vote in what would have been the original polling place.</p> <p><u>Proposed Polling Stations</u> BC1 Buckland North - Buckland Community Centre, Roosevelt Road, Dover (no change) BC2 Buckland South - The Phoenix Railway Social Club, Crabble Road, Dover (no change)</p> <p>I recommend that all other polling districts, places and stations remain unchanged as there are no current issues with them.</p>		
2	Local Resident, Tilmanstone	Tilmanstone / Tilmanstone Village Hall	<p>Reduce need for Polling Stations in rural areas by promoting postal voting.</p> <p>Alternatives suggested: Much better promotion of Postal Voting would substantially reduce the need for expensive Polling Stations in rural</p>		There will always be a need for polling stations in rural areas because not everybody wants to vote by post and electors must be given the option of a polling station in their area.

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			areas. The cost to parish councils is substantial and impacts council tax payers by increases to parish council precepts. I have conducted a bit of a straw poll among the elderly in Tilmanstone , many of whom are not internet savvy , and did not know how simple postal voting is ! If I had not been a subscriber to Keep me Posted I would have been unaware of this consultation.		<p>Changes to postal vote applications will come into force on 31 October 2023, and anyone with an existing postal vote will need to reapply within a set timeframe. There will be a national campaign by the Electoral Commission and DLUHC and DDC will advertise locally as well. This should help to raise awareness of postal voting, although the option to choose to vote by post is given to new electors when they register to vote and existing electors on their annual canvass form, and is on every polling station poll card so the options are already made available to everyone.</p> <p>The polling district review was posted on parish noticeboards throughout the district, as well as sent out on Keep Me Posted, social media posts and a press release. More responses from the general public have been received this year than on any previous polling district reviews, so the methods of advertising the consultation have been successful.</p>
3	Local Resident, Shepherdswell	Shepherdswell with Coldred / Shepherdswell Village Hall	Venue seems adequate. Alternatives suggested:	<p><i>Representation by a Local Resident, Shepherdswell:</i> The current arrangement for using the Shepherdswell Village Hall is ideal. We have several new builds here and more to come it would appear; so coupling us with Coldred is ideal and keeps Coldred within this area. Not sure why we appear to be lumped with Aylesham.</p> <p><i>Representation by a Local Resident, Shepherdswell:</i> Current arrangement for Shepherdswell polling station is ideal. Shepherdswell looks like it's being swallowed by Aylesham. Keep our villages at Coldred and Shepherdswell independent from Aylesham. So many villages and Hamlets are being lost through boundary changes. English Heritage ought to be involved.</p>	<p>The polling district review can only amend polling districts, and not parish boundaries, parish wards or district wards. Each parish must be its own polling district, so Shepherdswell could not be merged with Aylesham under this review as they are different parishes.</p> <p>Parish boundaries can only be changed as part of a Community Governance Review (CGR) run by the local authority or as part of a district wide boundary review run by the Local Government Boundary Commission (LGBC). The next CGR is due to start mid 2025 and our most recent boundary review run by LGBC was completed in 2019. Parishes would only be merged as part of a CGR if enough people suggested / agreed with it. There are currently no plans to merge any parishes.</p>
4	Local Resident, Whitfield	Whitfield (North) / Whitfield Village Hall	Perfect size and run well. Ideal distance to walk to. Alternatives suggested:	<i>Representation by a Local Resident, Whitfield:</i> No comment to make	No further comment.
5	Local Resident, Sandwich	Sandwich (South) / Jubilee Centre	Works fine, access to it is a little tight but realistically aren't many viable alternatives. Alternatives suggested:		No further comment.
6	Local Resident, Dover	Buckland (South) / Phoenix Railway Social Club	With postal voting I haven't used a polling station for years. I didn't even realise my old one at Shatterlocks school wasn't even used anymore as it's not on above list. Alternatives suggested: Advertise postal voting particularly to people who complain about having to produce ID at a face to face polling station, it's so much easier.		Shatterlocks has not been a polling station for several years; the use of schools as polling stations is avoided wherever possible as it is too disruptive to the school. Changes to postal vote applications will come into force on 31 October 2023, and anyone with an existing postal vote will need to reapply within a set timeframe. There will be a national campaign by the Electoral Commission and DLUHC and DDC will advertise locally as well. This should help to raise

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					awareness of postal voting, although the option to choose to vote by post is given to new electors when they register to vote and existing electors on their annual canvass form, and is also on every polling station poll card, so the options are already made available to everyone.
7	Local Resident, Nonington	Nonington / Nonington Village Hall	Perfect location as the village hall is in the centre of the village and well accessible by everyone. There is parking available and no problems for disabled access. Alternatives suggested: The existing village hall is perfect, there are no other suitable alternatives in the village.		No further comment.
8	Local Resident, Deal	North Deal (Victoria) / Salvation Army Hall, West Street	This venue makes a lot more sense for North Deal residents than the previous venue at Victoria Baptist/Community Church. Alternatives suggested: No alternative to suggest.		No further comment.
9	Local Resident, Sandwich	Sandwich (North) / United Reform Church	Alternatives suggested: All via Guildhall.		Unfortunately, the previous room used at the Guildhall is no longer available for use as a polling station, and the alternative rooms offered were not suitable. The United Reform Church is in the same area as the original station so easy to find and meets the requirements for use as a polling station.
10	Roger Loukes, Parish Councillor, Staple Parish Council	Staple / Staple Village Hall	A good site, no changes are required. Plenty of parking and the Hall is perfectly adequate. Alternatives suggested:	<i>Representation by Lynne Ewart, Parish Councillor for Staple:</i> I agree the present hall is a good size, has plenty of parking and is well lit on darker evenings. Perhaps more publicity regarding postal votes would be helpful for residents without transport.	No further comment.
11	Local Resident, Deal	North Deal (Sandown) / Golf Road Centre	Easy access for disabled; spacious hall well laid out for voting and always a friendly greeting. Alternatives suggested:		No further comment.
12	Local Resident, Deal	All areas	Alternatives suggested: To increase the uptake of our younger generation to vote, maybe looking at an alternative or an additional venue where there is more footfall, such as a supermarket? A social media platform could be considered?	<i>Representation by Local Resident, Walmer:</i> Can only speak for St. Saviours church polling station. Good access, good administration. Blunt pencil.	Although these are good ideas, they are not practical right now. It is not currently legal to vote in local government or Parliamentary elections or referendums electronically, so a social media platform as a method of voting cannot be considered at this time. Polling stations are currently run as a paper based administration, and in line with the law, people are allocated to a particular polling station within a polling district. A register of electors entitled to vote there is used to mark off electors as they vote, to ensure they only vote once. Although it is possible to use a supermarket as a polling station, only people allowed to vote at that particular polling station would be able to enter, as entry to a polling station is restricted to the Returning Officer's staff and people casting their vote. Unfortunately, portacabins in a supermarket car park do not fit the criteria for a polling station as they have no toilet facilities for staff who cannot leave the polling station during their 16 hour shift and do not fit with the new Elections Act requirements for being disabled access friendly.
13	Local Resident, Sandwich	Sandwich (North)/ United Reform	This is a convenient location, but it is not as accessible for disabled people as the previous polling station in the Guildhall.		As mentioned above, the previous room used at the Guildhall is no longer available for use as a

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		Church	Alternatives suggested: Guildhall - in the previous location.		polling station, and the alternative rooms offered were not suitable. The United Reform Church was the best alternative in the area.
14	Local Resident, Dover	St Radigund's Town (Baptist Church Hall) & Tower Hamlets West (One Church, Noah's Ark Road)	Both venues are easily accessible with sufficient parking and access for all. Facilities are good for both voters and the teams running the polling stations. Plenty of room, not overlooked or at risk of anyone feeling viewed during the process. Would recommend both for continued use. Alternatives suggested: I don't think there are any better options than those already in use		No further comment.
15	Local Resident, Lydden	Lydden / Lydden Village Hall	This is an excellent location for a Polling Station for those with cars, it has parking and level access to the building although requires walking up from the car park which could be difficult for those with walking difficulties or in a wheelchair. For walkers the last part of Canterbury Road needed to walk along does not have a footpath on either side. Crossing from the side of the road where the path ends, cars travel notoriously "fast" despite the 30mph speed limit which starts approx. 300 yards prior to this point. Alternatives suggested: No, only traffic calming to the area which is discussed on a regular basis but so far has not come to any suitable or successful resolution.		No further comment.
16	Local Resident, Dover	Buckland (South) / Phoenix Railway Social Club	This is far too far from my house to make voting accessible. Why can't we have a polling station at Charlton School as we used to have or at least at a venue within 15 minutes walking distance. Alternatives suggested: Charlton School, St Edmunds School hall, St Richard's school, Charlton church hall	<i>Representation by a Local Resident, Buckland South;</i> As mentioned Phoenix Club is not user friendly for those who have to travel either on foot or by car in order to cast their vote. Parking is charged and access to site by car is dangerous due to narrow access and restricted view due to parked cars. Also same entrance/exit is used by cars and pedestrians. An accident waiting to happen. As a resident living nearer town the distance & access issues are enough to put people off voting. Charlton Primary, St Edmunds, Barton primary, Shatterlocks are ideal for access & locality or maybe the church hall off Frith road or Girls Grammar sites.	Shatterlocks School has previously been used as a polling station for Buckland, but as mentioned previously, the use of schools is avoided where possible, because the schools find it too disruptive to be used as polling stations. St Richard's School is in the Town & Castle Ward / polling district, and Barton Primary, Dover Girls Grammar School and Charlton Church Hall are in the St Radigund's Ward / polling district, rather than Buckland, so they are precluded from consideration. Unfortunately, Buckland South is a long thin polling district/ward, and there are no suitable alternative polling stations in the middle of the polling district, so with an absence of other non-school options within the polling district, the Phoenix Railway Club is the best option for a DDA compliant polling station with free parking.
17	Local Resident, Wingham	Wingham/Wingham Village Hall	Good appropriate venue. Alternatives suggested: No		No further comment.
18	Local Resident, Dover	St Radigund's (West)/ St Radigund's Community Centre	I have a postal vote. Alternatives suggested: Should I not have a postal vote St Radigunds School would be much more convenient for me.		As mentioned in previous responses, where possible, the use of schools is avoided to prevent disruption to children's education. St Radigund's Community Centre is the best option for a polling station within the St Radigund's (West) polling district/ward.
19	Local Resident, Deal	Middle Deal (Park) / Linwood Youth Centre	Great difficulty finding it. One website showed it somewhere along Mill Road towards Tesco. I found it after I decided to give up and go home. As Conservatives were low in the polls, I thought it was a deliberate policy. Alternatives suggested: I am a new resident. Perhaps the name is wrong. You would have to be a long term resident to know where it is.		Victoria Park is a large site and other buildings share the space so an extra descriptive line on the poll card address could be useful for people who are new to the area. We will amend it to read 'Dover Youth Hub, Linwood Youth Centre, Nr Tides Leisure Centre, Park Avenue, Deal'. We can supply the polling staff with more polling station signs as well. You do not mention which website you tried, but there used to be a Linwood Youth Club along Mill Road, so the map

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					used may have pointed to historical data. The polling stations in the Dover local authority area are online if you follow the 'Where is my polling station?' link on the DDC website here: www.dover.gov.uk/elections Another useful website showing where polling stations are situated is run by the Democracy Club - https://wheredoivote.co.uk/
20	Local Resident, Ash	Ash / Ash Village Hall	Keep the Polling Station where it is, do not centralise or move. Alternatives suggested: No alternative. To move or close the Polling Station in Ash will result in inconvenience and ultimately reduce the number of votes cast.	<i>Representation by a Local Resident, Ash:</i> It is important from a village perspective that this continues to be open to support the local community	There are no plans to change from Ash Village Hall.
21	Local Resident, Shepherdsweil	Shepherdsweil with Coldred / Shepherdsweil Village Hall	A very suitable polling station Alternatives suggested:		No further comment.
22	Local Resident, Dover	Tower Hamlets (East) / Curzon Hall	This polling station is needed because a lot of the local people are elderly Alternatives suggested: None because the next nearest one is up a steep hill		No further comment.
23	Local Resident, River	River / River Village Hall	Always well supervised and organised for voting in all elections. Alternatives suggested: None		No further comment.
24	Local Resident, St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	St Margaret's-at-Cliffe / Village Hall	The village hall polling station has always worked well in the past and I see no reason to change the way it is run or the location. Alternatives suggested: None needed.	<i>Representation by a Local Resident, St Margaret's-at-Cliffe:</i> I believe it essential we keep the Village Hall as a polling place because of the proportion of elderly and infirm members of the village community. <i>Representation by a Local Resident, St Margaret's-at-Cliffe:</i> The venue is centrally located and easily accessible and is the right place for a polling station.	No further comment.
25	Local Resident, Deal	Mill Hill (South) / Deal Pentecostal Church	I think that this hall is very well suited. It is a big enough space for there to be adequate room for all the desks needed and the polling booth, good access, with a ramp for the less able at the side. The only real challenge is parking nearby. Alternatives suggested: I think that the only realistic alternative would be the welfare club in Cowdray Square, where parking may be less of an issue.		No further comment.
26	Local Resident, Dover	Tower Hamlets (West) / One Church, Noah's Ark Road	The site is easy to reach. I use a mobility scooter and was able to get inside to cast my vote without getting off the scooter Alternatives suggested: I am happy with the venue		No further comment.
27	Local Resident, Finglesham	Northbourne / Northbourne Parish Hall	Very happy with Northbourne Parish Hall. I declare an interest as I am a Trustee for the Parish Hall and its use for elections generates hire income. Alternatives suggested:		No further comment.
28	Local Resident, Walmer	Walmer (St Saviour's) / St Saviour's Church	Good access. Good signing Alternatives suggested:		No further comment.
29	Local Resident, Dover	St Radigund's (West) / St Radigund's Community Centre	Good choice for venue. Old venue was St Radigunds School which meant another less day of schooling for children. venue easily accessible. Alternatives suggested: alternative is a postal vote, which is my (and my household) preferred choice. In the past we were shift workers and voting was not always accessible to us, with a postal vote, it is not only easy but better for those with mobility problems. Though, as a negative, I can see it may be open to abuse of the system if a letter gets posted in the wrong letterbox.		No further comment.

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30	Local Resident, Sandwich (South)	Sandwich (South) / Jubilee Centre	The former Phoenix Centre is ideal for Sandwich South to use as a polling station, it has good disability access and toilets. It is big enough and has parking and easy to walk too. Alternatives suggested: There are no other public buildings apart from the junior school in St Bart's Road that could really work.		No further comment.
31	Local Resident, Whitfield	Whitfield (North) / Whitfield Village Hall	Handy central location with good access and well known Alternatives suggested: There is no obvious place with the facilities and convenience of the village hall		No further comment.
32	Local Resident, Walmer	Walmer (Wellington) / Walmer Parish Hall	Very convenient for my husband who is 82. I have a postal vote. Alternatives suggested:		No further comment.
33	Local Resident, Eastry	Eastry / Eastry Village Hall	Perfect location Alternatives suggested: Parish council room if the village hall is already booked		No further comment.
34	Local Resident, Preston	Preston / Preston Village Hall	I would like Preston kept please as it has great parking...I do wonder, being a small community, that perhaps the polling hours should be reduced and that if people feel they couldn't make it during the reduced hours then perhaps they could obtain a pass e.g. within perhaps obtaining a postal vote time frame, to go to another larger polling station open for longer hours, obviously they would have to be able to commute. At present with cyber crime I am not in favour of online voting. Alternatives suggested: See previous answer.	<i>Representation by a Local Resident, Preston;</i> The present Village Hall/Community Centre is very suitable for electoral needs, as it has off road parking for disabled and easy access for all.	Changing polling hours and online voting at local government and parliamentary elections and referendums would require a change in the law by Parliament and is not something an ARO, RO or local authority can alter. There are no plans to change Preston polling station as part of this review.
35	Aylesham Parish Council, Aylesham	Aylesham / Aylesham Baptist Free Church & St Finbarr's Church	Aylesham - Aylesham Baptist Free Church and Aylesham St Finbarr's Church Aylesham Parish Council have No further comments to make. Alternatives suggested: None		No further comment.
36	Paul Carter, Town Councillor, Sandwich Town Council	Sandwich (South) / The Jubilee Centre	A large number of residents have said that they would prefer one voting poll station in Sandwich and that the two ward system is not a good idea, they would prefer the voting to go back to one ward. Having two polling stations is very confusing and a lot of voters even from the Sandwich South area are unaware of the Jubilee Centre especially as it was called the Phoenix Centre recently as well. it is also difficult for parties to travel or allocate tellers and candidates to both stations adequately. I think one central polling station would work best with lots of car parking and known sign posting/address. I am wondering how many residents knew where the new, United Reform Church was in Sandwich? Alternatives suggested: As stated above I would have a temporary DDA compliant polling station in the Guildhall car park adequately sign posted and allowing 20 mins free parking for voting only. Everyone knows where the Guildhall is, it's the central/administrative centre and well known.	<i>Representation by a Local Resident, Sandwich (North):</i> I agree with the sound points that Councillor Paul Carter has made. In the new constituency Sandwich Guildhall is the most accessible and popular site for a polling station	This review cannot change town and parish wards, only polling districts and stations. As there are two wards, there are two polling districts and there has to be a polling station in each polling district, unless there are no suitable polling stations in the area. Both venues currently in use are suitable polling stations. Using the figures on the 'Current Polling Stations and Electorate' document, Sandwich Town currently consists of a total of 4,193 electors, 3,453 of which vote at polling stations. Each polling station can only have a maximum of 2,250 electors, so even if Sandwich were unwarded, it would need a minimum of two polling stations based on those figures. Jubilee Road is a short residential street with the Jubilee Centre, formerly the Phoenix Centre, at the end of it. The road name had not changed and anyone travelling to Jubilee Road to find the polling station should not have had difficulties in finding it, no matter the name. However, a descriptive line can be added onto the address on the poll card of 'Formerly known as the Phoenix Centre' to ensure there is no confusion. In answer to your question of how many of the polling station voters in Sandwich (North) ward knew where the new venue was, all polling station voters in the ward were sent a letter in January 2023 advising of the change of venue

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					<p>from the Guildhall to the United Reform Church and a map was enclosed showing the location of the new venue, as well as a postal vote application form in case they wished to vote by post instead of visiting the new station. The full address would also have appeared on the poll card, should anyone not have received the January letter so the majority, if not all, polling station voters would have had access to the information of where the new station was sited.</p> <p>A small portacabin, (large enough for one polling station) was quoted at over £3,000 for one weeks hire (the minimum hire period) when last quoted in 2018. As the cost is covered by the Town Council for their own elections, it is not a justifiable cost, especially when the two venues we already use are much more suitable – they are DDA compliant, and they have toilet facilities inside the building for the staff who cannot leave the polling station during their 16 hour shift.</p>
37	Tricia Marshall. Acting Returning Officer for the future Herne Bay and Sandwich Parliamentary Constituency	Herne Bay and Sandwich future Parliamentary Constituency	I am happy with the proposed arrangements in respect of the areas that fall within the Herne Bay and Sandwich constituency.		No further comment.

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Proposed Polling District / Polling Places Scheme Changes marked in red							Electoral Commission guidance states there should be no more than 2,250 electors allocated to vote at each polling station
Current Constituency	Future Constituency	District Ward	Parish/Parish Ward	Polling District Letters (Current)	Polling District Letters (Amended)	Polling District Name(s) (New)	Polling Place / Polling Station used at last election (May 2023)
Dover	Dover & Deal	Alkham & Capel-le-Ferne	Alkham Parish	PAK	PAK	Alkham	Alkham Village Hall, Hogbrook Hill, Alkham, Dover
Dover	Dover & Deal	Alkham & Capel-le-Ferne	Capel-le-Ferne Parish	PCF	PCF	Capel-le-Ferne	Capel-Le-Ferne Village Hall (Small Hall), Lancaster Avenue, Capel-Le-Ferne, Folkestone, Kent
Dover	Dover & Deal	Alkham & Capel-le-Ferne	Hougham Without Parish	PHM	PHM	Hougham	Hougham Village Hall, West Hougham, Dover
Dover	Dover & Deal	Aylesham, Eythorne & Shepherdswell	Aylesham Parish	PAY	PAY1	Aylesham (West)	Aylesham Baptist Free Church, Dorman Avenue South, Aylesham
					PAY2	Aylesham (East)	St Finbarr's Church, Market Place, Aylesham, Kent
Dover	Dover & Deal	Aylesham, Eythorne & Shepherdswell	Eythorne Parish/Eythorne Ward / Barfestone Ward	PEX1, PEX2	PEX1,PEX2	Eythorne, Barfestone	Eythorne Baptist Church Hall, Chapel Hill, Eythorne, Dover, Kent
Dover	Dover & Deal	Aylesham, Eythorne & Shepherdswell	Eythorne Parish/ Elvington Ward	PEX3	PEX3	Elvington	Elvington Community Centre, St John`s Road, Elvington, Dover, Kent
Dover	Dover & Deal	Aylesham, Eythorne & Shepherdswell	Nonington Parish	PNN	PNN	Nonington	Nonington Village Hall, Easole Street, Nonington, Dover
Dover	Dover & Deal	Aylesham, Eythorne & Shepherdswell	Shepherdswell with Coldred Parish/Shepherdswell Ward / Coldred Ward	PSL1, PSL2	PSL1,PSL2	Shepherdswell, Coldred	Shepherdswell Village Hall, Coxhill, Shepherdswell
Dover	Dover & Deal	Buckland	Dover Town/Buckland Ward	BC1	BC1	Buckland (North)	Buckland Community Centre, Roosevelt Road, Dover
Dover	Dover & Deal	Buckland	Dover Town/Buckland Ward	BC2	BC2	Buckland (South)	The Phoenix Railway Social Club, Crabble Road, Dover
Dover	Dover & Deal	Dover Downs & River	Denton with Wootton Parish	PDD	PDD	Denton	Denton Village Hall, The Street, Denton
Dover	Dover & Deal	Dover Downs & River	Denton with Wootton Parish	PDW	PDW	Wootton	Wootton Village Hall, Wootton Lane, Wootton
Dover	Dover & Deal	Dover Downs & River	Lydden Parish	PLN	PLN	Lydden	Lydden Village Hall, 83 Canterbury Road, Lydden, Dover
Dover	Dover & Deal	Dover Downs & River	River Parish	PRV	PRV	River	River Village Hall, Common Lane, River, Dover, Kent
							River Village Hall, Common Lane, River, Dover, Kent
Dover	Dover & Deal	Dover Downs & River	Temple Ewell Parish	PTE	PTE	Temple Ewell	Temple Ewell Village Hall, 187 London Road, Temple Ewell, Dover
Dover	Dover & Deal	Eastry Rural	Eastry Parish	PEA	PEA	Eastry	Eastry Village Hall, High Street, Eastry, Sandwich, Kent
Dover	Dover & Deal	Eastry Rural	Northbourne Parish	PNR	PNR	Northbourne	Northbourne Parish Hall, The Drove, Northbourne
Dover	Dover & Deal	Eastry Rural	Sholden Parish/ Sholden Ward	PSHE	PSHE	Eastry Rural (Sholden)	Scout H.Q., The Street, Sholden, Deal
Dover	Dover & Deal	Eastry Rural	Sutton Parish	PSU	PSU	Sutton	Sutton Parish Community Centre, Downs Road, East Studdal, Dover
Dover	Dover & Deal	Eastry Rural	Tilmanstone Parish	PTI	PTI	Tilmanstone	Tilmanstone Village Hall, Chapel Road, Tilmanstone, Deal

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South Thanet	Dover & Deal	Eastry Rural	Worth Parish/Village Ward	TWR1	PWR	Eastry Rural (Worth Village)	Worth Parish Hall, The Street, Worth, Deal
Dover	Dover & Deal	Guston, Kingsdown & St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	Great Mongeham Parish	PGM	PGM	Great Mongeham	Great Mongeham Parish Hall, 170 Mongeham Road, Deal
Dover	Dover & Deal	Guston, Kingsdown & St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	Guston Parish	PGS	PGS	Guston	Burgoyne Heights Community Centre, Burgoyne Heights, Guston, Dover
Dover	Dover & Deal	Guston, Kingsdown & St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	Langdon Parish	PLG	PLG	East Langdon	East Langdon Parish Hall, The Street, East Langdon, Dover
Dover	Dover & Deal	Guston, Kingsdown & St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	Ringwould with Kingsdown Parish	PRG	PRG	Ringwould	Ringwould Village Hall, Dover Road, Ringwould, Deal
Dover	Dover & Deal	Guston, Kingsdown & St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	Ringwould with Kingsdown Parish	PRK	PRK	Kingsdown	Kingsdown & Ringwould CE School, Glen Road, Kingsdown, Deal
Dover	Dover & Deal	Guston, Kingsdown & St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	Ripple Parish	PRP	PRP	Ripple	Ripple Village Hall, Sutton Road, Ripple, Deal
Dover	Dover & Deal	Guston, Kingsdown & St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	St Margaret's-at-Cliffe Parish	PSM	PSM	St Margaret's-at-Cliffe	St Margaret's-At-Cliffe Village Hall, Reach Road, St Margaret's -At-Cliffe
Dover	Dover & Deal	Maxton & Elms Vale	Dover Town /Maxton and Elms Vale Ward	BME	BME	Maxton & Elms Vale	St Martin's Church Hall, Church Road, Dover St Martin's Church Hall, Church Road, Dover
Dover	Dover & Deal	Middle Deal	Deal Town/Middle Deal Ward	AMD1	AMD1	Middle Deal (Manor)	Deal Christian Fellowship Hall, Sutherland Road, Deal
Dover	Dover & Deal	Middle Deal	Deal Town/Middle Deal Ward	AMD2	AMD2	Middle Deal (Park)	Linwood Youth Centre, Victoria Park, Park Avenue, Deal
Dover	Dover & Deal	Middle Deal	Deal Town/Middle Deal Ward	AMD3	AMD3	Middle Deal (Upper)	Warden House School, Birdwood Avenue, Deal
Dover	Dover & Deal	Middle Deal	Sholden Parish/Hyton Ward	PSHM	PSHM	Middle Deal (Hyton)	Warden House School, Birdwood Avenue, Deal
Dover	Dover & Deal	Mill Hill	Deal Town/Mill Hill Ward	AMH1	AMH1	Mill Hill (South)	Deal Pentecostal Church, 69 Mill Hill, Deal, Kent
Dover	Dover & Deal	Mill Hill	Deal Town/Mill Hill Ward	AMH2	AMH2	Mill Hill (North)	The Godric Centre, Rear of St John's R C Church, St Richard's Road, Deal
Dover	Dover & Deal	Mill Hill	Deal Town/Mill Hill Ward	AMH3	AMH3	Mill Hill (West)	The Sports Centre, Off Cavell Square, Deal
Dover	Dover & Deal	North Deal	Deal Town/North Deal Ward / Sholden Parish/ Tenants Hill Ward	AN1,PSHN	AN1,PSHN	North Deal (Sandown), North Deal (Tenants Hill)	The Golf Road Centre, 28 Golf Road, Deal, Kent
Dover	Dover & Deal	North Deal	Deal Town/North Deal Ward	AN2	AN2	North Deal (St Andrews)	Cleary Hall, Landmark Centre, 129 High Street, Deal
Dover	Dover & Deal	North Deal	Deal Town/North Deal Ward	AN3	AN3	North Deal (Victoria)	Salvation Army Hall, 56 West Street, Deal, Kent
Dover	Dover & Deal	North Deal	Walmer Parish/Gladstone Ward	AW4N	AW4N	North Deal (Gladstone)	Walmer Sea Scout Hall, Marine Road, Walmer, Deal, Kent
Dover	Dover & Deal	St Radigund's	Dover Town/St Radigund's Ward	BR1	BR1	St Radigund's (West)	St Radigunds Community Centre, Poulton Close, Dover, Kent

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Dover	Dover & Deal	St Radigund's	Dover Town/St Radigund's Ward	BR2	BR2	St Radigund's (East)	ACF Hall, London Road, Dover, Kent
Dover	Dover & Deal	St Radigund's	Dover Town/St Radigund's Ward	BR3	BR3	St Radigund's (Town)	Dover Baptist Church Hall, 27-32 Maison Dieu Road, Dover
Dover	Dover & Deal	Tower Hamlets	Dover Town/Tower Hamlets Ward	BTH1	BTH1	Tower Hamlets (West)	One Church, Noah`s Ark Road, Dover, Kent
Dover	Dover & Deal	Tower Hamlets	Dover Town/Tower Hamlets Ward	BTH2	BTH2	Tower Hamlets (East)	Curzon Hall, Curzon Road, Dover
Dover	Dover & Deal	Town & Castle	Dover Town/Town and Castle Ward	BT1	BT1	Town & Castle (Priory)	Clarendon and Westbury Community Centre, Belgrave Road, Dover
Dover	Dover & Deal	Town & Castle	DoverTown /Town and Castle Ward	BT2	BT2	Town & Castle (Castle)	St Mary`s Parish Centre, Dieu Stone Lane, Dover
Dover	Dover & Deal	Town & Castle	Dover Town/Town and Castle Ward	BT3	BT3	Town & Castle (Aycliffe)	Aycliffe Community Primary School, St Davids Avenue, Aycliffe, Dover
Dover	Dover & Deal	Town & Castle	Dover Town/Town and Castle Ward	BT4	BT4	Town & Castle (Redoubt)	Dover Unitarian Church Hall, Adrian Street, Dover, Kent
Dover	Dover & Deal	Walmer	Walmer Parish/Upper Walmer Ward	AW1	AW1	Walmer (Upper Walmer)	Walmer Chapel (Rear Hall), 30 Station Road, Walmer, Deal
Dover	Dover & Deal	Walmer	Walmer Parish/Wellington Ward	AW2	AW2	Walmer (Wellington)	Walmer Parish Hall, Dover Road, Walmer, Deal
Dover	Dover & Deal	Walmer	Walmer Parish/St Saviour's Ward	AW3	AW3	Walmer (St Saviour's)	St Saviour`s Church, The Strand, Walmer, Deal
Dover	Dover & Deal	Whitfield	Dover Town/Buckland Ward	BCW1	BCW1	Whitfield (Rokesley)	Dover Christ Church Academy, Melbourne Avenue, Whitfield, Dover, Kent
Dover	Dover & Deal	Whitfield	Whitfield Parish	PWH1	PWH1	Whitfield (North)	Whitfield Village Hall, Sandwich Road, Whitfield, Dover
Dover	Dover & Deal	Whitfield	Whitfield Parish	PWH2	PWH2	Whitfield (South)	Whitfield Village Hall, Sandwich Road, Whitfield, Dover
Dover	Dover & Deal	Whitfield	Whitfield Parish	PWH2	PWH2	Whitfield (South)	Dover Christ Church Academy, Melbourne Avenue, Whitfield, Dover, Kent
South Thanet	Herne Bay & Sandwich	Little Stour & Ashstone	Ash Parish	TAS	XAS	Ash	Ash Village Hall - Main Hall, Queens Road, Ash, Canterbury
South Thanet	Herne Bay & Sandwich	Little Stour & Ashstone	Ash Parish	TAS	XAS	Ash	Ash Village Hall - Main Hall, Queens Road, Ash, Canterbury
South Thanet	Herne Bay & Sandwich	Little Stour & Ashstone	Goodnestone Parish	TGD	XGD	Goodnestone	Goodnestone Village Hall, The Street, Goodnestone, Canterbury
South Thanet	Herne Bay & Sandwich	Little Stour & Ashstone	Preston Parish	TPR	XPR	Preston	Preston Village Hall, Mill Lane, Preston, Canterbury
South Thanet	Herne Bay & Sandwich	Little Stour & Ashstone	Staple Parish	TSP	XSP	Staple	Staple Village Hall, Mill Road, Staple, Canterbury
South Thanet	Herne Bay & Sandwich	Little Stour & Ashstone	Stourmouth Parish	TST	XST	Stourmouth	The Rising Sun Inn, The Street, East Stourmouth
South Thanet	Herne Bay & Sandwich	Little Stour & Ashstone	Wingham Parish	TWG	XWG	Wingham	Wingham Village Hall, School Lane, Wingham, Canterbury

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South Thanet	Herne Bay & Sandwich	Sandwich	Sandwich Town/Sandwich North Ward / Worth Parish/Sandwich Bay Ward	TSA,TWR2	XSA,XWR	Sandwich (North), Sandwich (Sandwich Bay)	Sandwich United Reformed Church, 12 Cattle Market, Sandwich, Kent
South Thanet	Herne Bay & Sandwich	Sandwich	Sandwich Town/Sandwich South Ward	TSB	XSB	Sandwich (South)	The Jubilee Centre, Jubilee Road, Sandwich
South Thanet	Herne Bay & Sandwich	Sandwich	Woodnesborough Parish	TWN	XWN	Woodnesborough	Woodnesborough Village Hall, Elmwood Park, Woodnesborough