

# Rotherham local plan

## Sites & Policies Examination

### Green Space Assessment February 2017

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References in this assessment to *Urban Greenspace* refer to the current adopted Unitary Development Plan. In the Local Plan this is replaced by the term *Green Space*.

References are made in this report to various other background and evidence documents which are included in the Local Plan examination library, available on our website:

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Where references are made to specific sites considered as part of the Local Plan process (identified with a reference such as LDF0345) further details of the assessment is provided in the Submission Integrated Impact Assessment 2016 (examination library reference SD08. SD08D (1 and 2) includes maps of all sites considered by the Council in the preparation of its Local Plan.

## Introduction

1. As part of the Sites and Policies examination the Council provided a Green Space Review document to the Inspector in June 2016 (RMBC005). This identified Urban Greenspace as defined on the UDP Proposals Map and Green Space as defined on the Publication sites and Policies document Policies Maps. Following discussion at the examination hearing sessions the Council agreed to provide a more detailed assessment of Green Space.
2. This document provides an assessment of existing or proposed Green Space of 0.4 hectares or more across Rotherham. It provides detail of the functions that these spaces fulfil, as well as identifying where site boundaries have been, or are proposed, to be amended.
3. Along with previous work undertaken to assist in preparing the Local Plan, the result has been a review of green space, including
  - A review of now fully developed residential development sites which confirmed that various areas of new Green Space provision have been created since 1999;
  - The inclusion of a number of Green Space areas larger than 0.4ha identified in Rotherham's Green Space Audit which are not currently allocated as Urban Greenspace, nor are within the Green Belt and have not been identified as a development allocation site;
  - The inclusion of other Green Space reflecting its ecological or other amenity interest
  - Land removed from the Green Belt and allocated as Green Space to enable the creation of strong Green Belt boundaries;
  - A review of development which has taken place and resulted in the loss of Green Space.

## Identifying the roles and functions of Green Space

4. The assessment has identified the functions that each area of green space plays. This has had regard to the definitions, policy wording and supporting text of the Local Plan (the adopted Core Strategy and the Publication Sites and Policies document), particularly relating to Green Infrastructure and Green Spaces. These indicate the type and range of roles and functions that Green Spaces can play. Further detail is provided below.
5. The Core Strategy glossary provides the following definitions:

**Greenspace:** *Breaks in the urban environment formed by open areas such as parks, playing fields, woodlands and landscaped areas. These spaces may exist as definable linear routeways, forming part of a network linking urban areas to the surrounding countryside.*

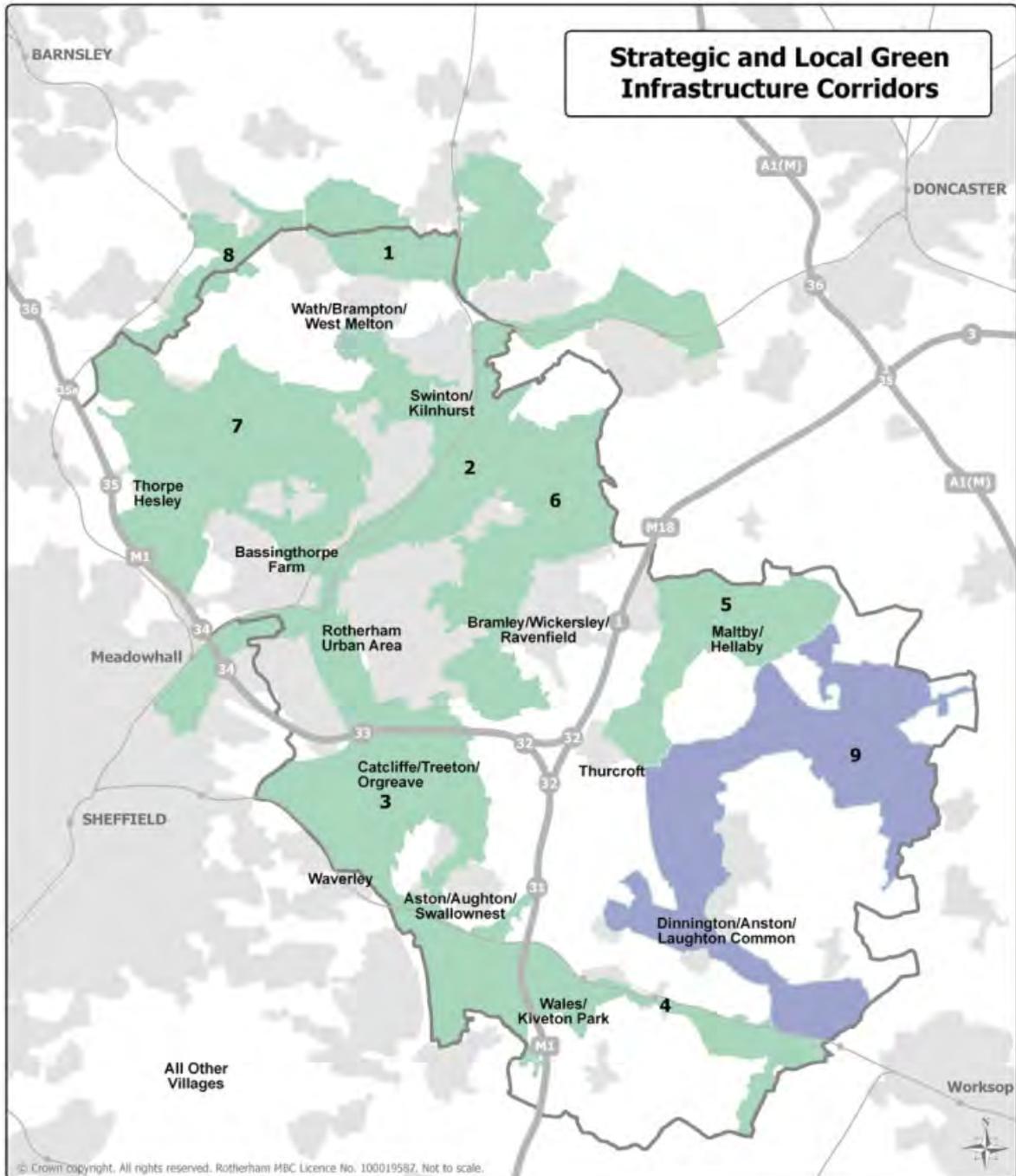
**Green infrastructure:** *The network of multi-functional green space, both new and existing, both rural and urban, which supports the natural and ecological processes and is integral to the health and quality of life of sustainable communities.*
6. Paragraph 5.6.1 of the Core Strategy identifies that Green Infrastructure is the network of multi-functional green spaces and other environmental assets, both rural and urban, which supports the natural and ecological processes integral to the health and quality of life of sustainable communities. Green Infrastructure operates at a range of scales, over broad landscapes and administrative boundaries down to local neighbourhoods. Green Infrastructure provision is wide and varied. It includes land in either public or private ownership and need not be accessible.

7. Core Strategy Policy CS19 Green Infrastructure states that: Rotherham's network of Green Infrastructure assets, including the Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridors will be conserved, extended, enhanced, managed and maintained throughout the borough. Green Infrastructure will permeate from the core of the built environment out into the rural areas. A net gain in Green Infrastructure will be realised through the protection and enhancement of existing assets and the creation of new multi functional areas, assets and linkages to include promoting: recreation and tourism, public access (including walking and cycling), green education, biodiversity (incorporating the promotion of ecological networks and habitat connectivity), public health and well being, water management, the protection and enhancement of the local and national landscape character area and historic assets, the mitigation of climate change, green economic uses and sustainable land management.
8. The policy goes on to set out how proposals will be supported which make an overall contribution to the Green Infrastructure network based upon a number of principles. These include key elements of importance to green space:
  - Investment in Green infrastructure will be prioritised to increase functionality of individual assets and safeguard existing functions, such as habitats for wildlife (criterion c).
  - Improving connectivity between new developments and the Strategic Green Infrastructure network and providing buffering to protect sensitive sites (criterion d).
  - Supporting ecosystem services, including the use and management of Green Infrastructure areas to reduce the impacts of climate change, using vegetation to cool the environment, provision of new open space to remedy the need for natural and semi natural flood storage and managing surface water to ensure landscape change impacted by climate change has long term benefits (criterion e).
9. Core Strategy Map 9 shows in broad terms the borough's Strategic and Local Green Infrastructure Corridors, and which are summarised in Table 9. These set the context for the application of Policy CS19 Green Infrastructure and more detailed development management policy set out in greater detail in the Sites and Policies document.
10. For convenience these are replicated below:

<b>Strategic and Local Green Infrastructure Corridors</b>	
<b>Corridor</b>	<b>Description</b>
Dearne	Regionally important, providing linkages through Barnsley and the Dearne Valley. Opportunities include addressing accessible green space deficit, landscape and historic environment enhancement, biomass production and flood management opportunities.
Don	Regionally important, is a broad and diverse corridor passing rural and urban areas with some parts remaining in heavy industrial use. Includes the Sheffield – Tinsley Canal, South Yorkshire navigation and the Trans-Pennine Trail. Within Rotherham investment could improve access to the river.
Rother	Regionally important, this corridor extends outside South Yorkshire into Chesterfield. Enhancement opportunities can increase linkages between the river and surrounding water and wetland sites enhancing current recreational opportunities. Major development proposals at Waverley have the potential to create additional natural conservation and recreation features.

<b>Strategic and Local Green Infrastructure Corridors</b>	
<b>Corridor</b>	<b>Description</b>
Chesterfield Canal	Sub regionally significant for its connections through Rotherham from the River Trent to Chesterfield outside the Yorkshire and Humber region. Potential for a marina to be developed on the now reclaimed former Kiveton Colliery.
Maltby	Of District importance, extends from the outskirts of north east Thurcroft to encompass the town of Maltby and surrounding areas. Opportunities exist for future initiatives with the inclusion former Thurcroft Colliery site and wider Maltby urban area.
Thrybergh	Of District importance, stretches from east of Rotherham town centre out across the urban fringe into countryside. Opportunities for enhancement exist in the urban and urban fringe locations of this corridor.
Wentworth	Of District importance, extends north west from the edge of the Rotherham urban area to connect to the Elsecar corridor. Green Infrastructure projects would need to maintain and enhance the rural character of the area.
Elsecar	Of District importance, running from Harley in Rotherham through Elsecar, Elsecar Canal and Knoll Beck to the River Dearne. Assets include Elsecar Heritage Centre, Elsecar Park and Elsecar Reservoir/ canal. Opportunities include addressing accessible green space deficit and enhancing both the landscape and historic environment.
Anston Brook & Sandbeck	Of local significance only, sweeping around the western edge of Dinnington, moving north-east wards towards the stately home and Capability Brown designed landscapes of Sandbeck Park. Opportunities for Green Infrastructure enhancement include creating links between existing urban areas and new developments into the wider countryside.

# Strategic and Local Green Infrastructure Corridors



11. Paragraph 5.6.3 of the Core Strategy identifies that Green Infrastructure assets can include:
  - Managed and natural green spaces (including woodlands, gardens, allotments, recreational space (e.g. playing pitches), formal parks and amenity areas)
  - Green corridors and assets (including footpaths, bridleways and cycle paths, disused railway lines, cycle lanes within the road network, greenways, waterways, street trees and other features that enhance links between habitats, places and tourist activities)
  - Nature conservation sites, habitat creation schemes, heritage assets including veteran trees and ecosystems
  - Individual or distinctive features of the landscape from green/ brown roofs to ancient woodland
  - Flood risk management measures (such as storage that compensates for loss of flood plain, landscape intervention which slows the flow of water and sustainable urban drainage systems)
  - Managed landscapes of trees and associated habitats (which help to regulate temperatures, fix carbon, provide places for recreation close to urban centres, and may enhance landscape character)
  - Designated and non designated landscapes
  
12. Paragraph 5.6.4 goes on to recognise that such assets can perform multiple functions and opportunities such as:
  - Addressing climate change including the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, mitigation and adaptation
  - Promoting carbon neutral energy such as fuel from managed woodlands in Rotherham
  - Addressing flooding risks, drainage and water management
  - Making Improvements to the look and quality of where we live by adding to the character of our landscape and townscapes
  - Promoting social, health and mental well being
  - Aiding tourism and recreation
  - Increasing land and property values
  - Sustaining regeneration, economic growth and investment by creating an attractive setting for investment
  - Contributing towards a greener economy
  - Supporting environmental education
  - Improving provision of and access to recreational and leisure opportunities
  - Maintain natural ecological processes and conserving and extending ecological networks and habitat connectivity
  - Promoting sustainable transport modes
  - Increasing accessibility to natural green spaces and into and out of the urban core to the outlying rural areas.
  
13. The explanatory text to Policy CS22 Green Space identifies at paragraph 5.6.61 that green space, sport and recreation are essential elements of sustainable communities that contribute towards health, quality of life, sense of place and overall well-being. They can add to an area's character, making it a place that is distinctive, stimulating and an exceptional place to live and work. Green space is defined as a wide range of public and private areas that are predominantly open in character and provide, or have the potential to provide direct or indirect environmental, social and/or economic benefits to communities. They include:

Formal open space

- outdoor sports facilities (with natural or artificial surfaces; either publicly or privately owned) - including tennis courts, bowling greens, sports pitches, golf courses, athletics tracks, school and other institutional playing fields, and other outdoor sports areas
- provision for children and teenagers - including play areas, skateboard & BMX parks, Multi-use Games Areas (MUGA's) and teenage shelters

Informal open space

- parks - including urban parks, country parks and formal gardens (these may also consist of elements of formal provision);
- natural and semi-natural urban open spaces – including accessible natural green space, woodlands, urban forestry, scrub, grasslands (such as commons and meadows), wetlands, open and running water, wastelands and derelict open land and rock areas;
- river and canal banks and towpaths, cycleways, and rights of way;
- small green or landscaped areas (public or private) which provide a setting for built development and which may offer opportunities for informal recreation close to home or work;
- allotments;
- churchyards, cemeteries and gardens of rest (associated with crematoria);
- accessible countryside in urban fringe and rural areas – including woodlands.

14. The Publication Sites and Policies document also has further draft policy and guidance which has been taken into account. Paragraph 4.186 notes that Green Spaces within or adjacent to residential areas are the most regularly and intensively used types of open space. They comprise one or more character types supporting a variety of uses including informal grass areas, children's play facilities, sport pitches, multi-use games areas, skate parks and tennis courts. Table 11, replicated below, identifies typical characteristics for accessible Green Space:

<b>Type and main function</b>	<b>Characteristics</b>
<p><b>Borough Green Spaces</b> Weekend and occasional visits by car or public transport</p>	<p>Large areas and sites with intrinsic special interest, e.g. heritage, landscape, wildlife, children's amusements, available sporting activities. Good level of visitor facilities. Several events per annum. Attracts people from a wider catchment area. Car parking provision at key locations.</p>
<p><b>Neighbourhood Green Spaces</b> Weekend, early morning, after school and evening visits by foot, cycle, car and short bus trips</p>	<p>A well maintained landscape setting with a variety of features and facilities providing for a range of activities, e.g. outdoor sports facilities and playing fields, children's play and informal recreation pursuits. Occasional events. Site signs.</p>
<p><b>Local Green Spaces</b> Regular use mainly by pedestrian visitors, including preferred routes to school, shops, work etc</p>	<p>Protected and appropriately maintained site providing safe and clean areas for walking, informal recreation and play, sitting out areas and playing fields - if the sites are large enough.</p>

15. Policy SP41 Protecting Green Space recognises that Green Space can perform an irreplaceable amenity or buffer function where it is considered that their loss cannot be compensated for given the purpose and function of the allocation. It also acknowledges that consideration will be given to the impact of proposals on the amenity, ecological value and functionality of Green Spaces. It also acknowledges that there are small incidental

areas of green space, not specifically identified on the Policies Map, but which make a significant contribution to the character of residential areas and/or green infrastructure.

16. Paragraph 4.194 recognises that Green Space can meet the recreational and leisure needs of a community, provide a strong element in the architectural and aesthetic form of a settlement, act as a buffer separating incompatible land uses including sensitive land uses and major transport infrastructure, and assist in maintaining features of landscape, wildlife or heritage value. It also acknowledges that in performing an amenity or buffer zone function, or supporting the setting of the historic environment or a heritage asset green space is location specific and is not necessarily publicly accessible (paragraph 4.197). Table 12 goes on to provide details of the Green spaces performing an amenity or location specific buffer function:
- Land along the M1/ A630 Parkway corridors at Catcliffe / Brinsworth;
  - Land to the east of Pontefract Road / south of (A633) Barnsley Road at Brampton / West Melton;
  - Land to the rear of the former Beighton Colliery site and along the route of the B6200 at Swallownest;
  - Land along Fenton Road at Greasbrough/ Kimberworth Park;
  - Land along Roughwood Road at Wingfield;
  - Land east and west of Droppingwell Road / New Droppingwell Road at Blackburn;
  - Land to either side of Meadowbank Road (A6109);
  - Land to either side of Wortley Road/ New Wortley Road (A629) at Masbrough and Bradgate;
  - Land to north and south of River Don at Meadowbank/ Jordan;
  - Land at Holmes Cord (divergence of rail lines) / north and south of the Sheffield Navigation at Ickles Lock/ Jordan/ Masbrough;
  - Land to either side of (A630) Centenary Way / and adjacent to River Rother, at Canklow / Canklow Meadows;
  - Land to the frontage of Hellaby Hall Hotel; as determined by the Secretary of State for the Environment in 1971 in granting planning permission for the construction of roads and sewers to facilitate development of the Hellaby Industrial Estate for industry and warehousing in order to protect the setting of this Grade II\* Listed Building;
  - Other heritage buffer zones not shown as green space on the Policies Map;
  - land at St Margaret's Church, Swinton;
  - Land within the Green Belt that performs a location specific buffer function including for example: land along the A57 from Junction 31 of the M1 to the roundabout at Todwick at its junction with Todwick Road /Kiveton Lane (B6463);
  - Land to north and south of Bawtry Road (A631) at Brinsworth;
  - The Pony Paddock to the east of the Dinnington Colliery site tip, north of Cramfit Road, North Anston;
  - All dismantled/ former railway sidings and or embankments;
  - Other allocated green space and incidental green space not shown on the Policies Map but associated with current or former transport infrastructure, or, performing a heritage or other location specific buffer function.
17. Urban areas include numerous green and open spaces which are too small to be mapped. These areas tend to be amenity road verges, landscaped or 'grassed' incidental open spaces around buildings and residential areas and have little or no recreational value. They can however make an important contribution to the environmental quality of the area and as such contribute positively to the urban aesthetic (paragraph 4.198).

18. Where relevant the assessment has made reference to other relevant evidence base, in particular to the Council's Green Space Audit 2005 which rated sites in terms of quality and value. The quality aspects were based on an assessment of physical and social features was carried out. Higher scores reflected where a feature or situation was performing at its best and in no need of attention, and lower scores where a feature or situation was unsatisfactory and in need of immediate attention due to poor quality or health and safety issues. In terms of value, the greater the population living within a catchment, the greater the value of the site; the greater the area of the site, the greater its potential value; and the fewer surrounding, overlapping catchments there are, the greater the value.

### Understanding the assessment maps and tables

19. This assessment includes maps of Green Space allocations of 0.4ha or more in size, clearly marked with a reference number, indicating the current UDP Urban Greenspace boundaries where relevant, and the proposed Local Plan Green Space boundaries as shown on the Publication Policies Maps. The maps are broadly on a settlement basis, with some larger areas broken into smaller areas to ensure clarity of the maps and boundaries. Where relevant the assessments refer to sites considered as part of the Local Plan process (identified with a reference such as LDF0345). In these instances additional maps are included for settlement areas which show the boundaries of the sites referred to.
20. The assessment for each green space follows a standard template covering the following:

<b>UGS / GS Reference</b>	Unique reference number shown on the maps and assessment tables
<b>Location &amp; Description</b>	A brief description of the site and its location
<b>Current status?</b>	A brief indication of the current status of the site, including its current allocation on the UDP Proposals Map
<b>What does the RSPD propose?</b>	This clarifies what the Publication Sites and Policies document proposes – it highlights where parts of existing green spaces may be proposed for re-allocation to other uses, or where other land uses are being proposed for inclusion within the Green Space allocation
<b>Within Strategic GI Corridor?</b>	This identifies whether the site falls within a Strategic or Local Green Infrastructure Corridor as defined in the Core Strategy. Further detail regarding these corridors is provided within this report
<b>Main Modification Proposed?</b>	This identifies where a Main Modification is being promoted as a result of the Green Space Assessment, which would change the boundary as shown on the Publication Sites and Policies document Policies Map. The detail of these changes will be included within the Council's working schedule of possible Main Modifications and further detail provided to the Inspector as necessary.  Where a Main Modification is proposed the table cell is highlighted yellow for ease of identification.
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This provides the detailed assessment of the Green Space, identifying the functions and roles played, and also the detail of any changes being proposed through the Publication Sites and Policies document, or through any proposed Main Modifications



# Areas of Green Space > 0.4 hectares - North & South Anston and Kiveton Park



- RSPD Green Space
- UDP Urban Greenspace
- Borough Boundary

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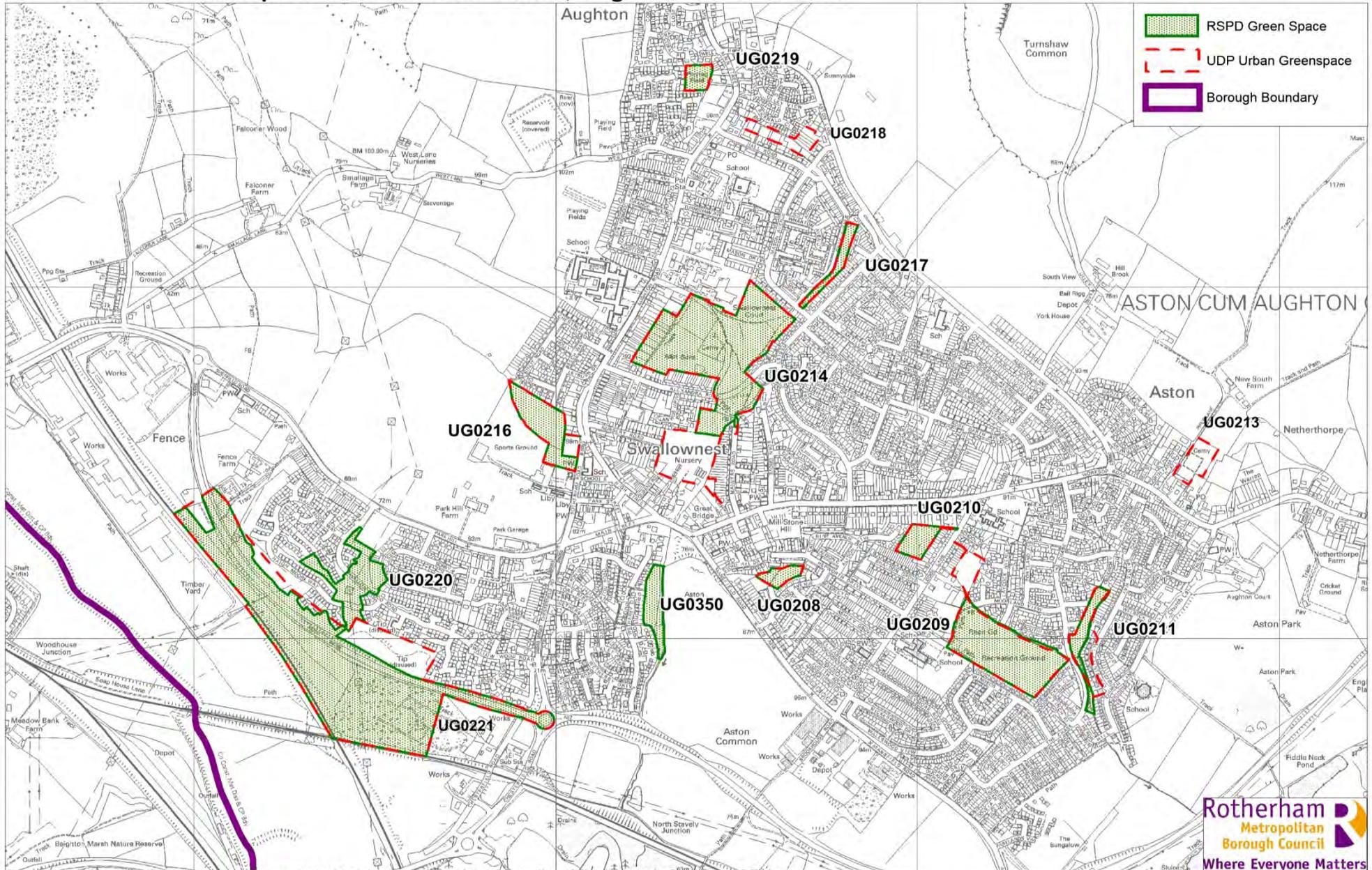
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UGS / GS Reference	Location & Description	Current status?	What does the RSPD propose?	Within Strategic GI Corridor?	Main Modification Proposed?
UG0255	Manor Road, Kiveton Park Sports Ground	Overgrown former sports ground in private ownership. Allocated as Urban Greenspace in UDP	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site is in private ownership and is no longer used as a sports ground. It was assessed as low quality / high value in the Green Space Audit. It provides a visual break from Manor Road to the Kiveton Park industrial estate. It maintains the rural character of this locality. Given the accessibility problems associated with Packman Road/Manor Road: the need to cross over the rail line adjacent to Kiveton Park Station, the junction of Packman Road with Dog Kennels Lane / Red Hill and the crossing of the Chesterfield Canal via a narrow listed bridge with no footpaths either side, the Council does not promote a change of use to this site. However it recognises that the functionality of this Urban Greenspace has changed and whilst it is promoted as Green Space in the emerging RSPD its function is now different to that of recreational sports ground in private ownership; it is allocated for reasons of visual amenity and protecting the rural character of this area. Hard development of this site would negatively impact on the rural setting.				
UG0256	Rear of Kiveton Park Station including the Chesterfield Canal	Supports the setting of the historic environment – Chesterfield Canal; and the ecological interest on site. Allocated as Urban Greenspace in UDP.	Allocate as Green Space and LWS04: Chesterfield Canal	Chesterfield Canal	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	Part of the Chesterfield Canal, and within Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor and designated Local Wildlife Site 04.				
UG0291	Mulberry Planting North Anston	Supports the setting of the historic environment – the Conservation Area. Allocated as Urban Greenspace	Allocate as Green Space, retain designation and within Conservation Area	Local Anston Brook / Sandbeck	No

UGS / GS Reference	Location & Description	Current status?	What does the RSPD propose?	Within Strategic GI Corridor?	Main Modification Proposed?
		in the UDP.			
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	Within the North Anston Conservation area and with a number trees present on site protected through Conservation Area status. Mulberry Planting provides a strong element in the architectural and aesthetic form of the settlement and assists in maintaining features of landscape and heritage value. Within a Local GI corridor. Assessed as high quality / low value in the Green Space Audit. Considered as LDF0250 but rejected at Stage 1 of the SA - the site allocation selection process and reported in Part 2 of the Integrated Impact Assessment 2016.				
UG0292	Town Wells Farm, North Anston	Paddock area allocated as Urban Greenspace in UDP and providing a break in the urban environment and a setting for the adjacent Conservation Area	Allocate as Green Space	Local Anston Brook / Sandbeck	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	There are known archaeological interests on site, but in-depth study has not been undertaken by Wessex Archaeology. The site provides a strong element in the architectural and aesthetic form of this settlement and assists in maintaining features of landscape and heritage value. It provides a break within the urban environment adjacent to the North Anston Conservation Area. Within a Local GI corridor. Considered as LDF0213.				
UG0294	Caperns Road, North Anston	Informal recreational area allocated as Urban Greenspace in UDP	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site is within a predominantly Council housing estate, in use for informal recreational purposes and is providing a strong element in the architectural and aesthetic form of the estate which ensures its ongoing protection as Green Space. It was assessed as high quality / low value in the Green space Audit. Considered as LDF0245 but rejected at Stage 1 of the SA - the site allocation selection process and reported in Part 2 of the Integrated Impact Assessment 2016.				
UG0312	Anston Bridge, North Anston	Ecological area adjacent to Anston Brook; allocated as Urban Greenspace in UDP.	Allocate as Green Space	Local Anston Brook / Sandbeck	No

UGS / GS Reference	Location & Description	Current status?	What does the RSPD propose?	Within Strategic GI Corridor?	Main Modification Proposed?
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site abuts Anston Brook and is predominantly within the Anston Brook Walk LWS104, on its north western boundary it abuts the North Anston Conservation Area. It falls within a wider area assessed as high quality / high value in the Greens Space Audit. The preparation of the RSPD has enabled the Council to remove the Urban Greenspace allocation from those properties developed since the adoption of the UDP and to change this area to residential. The Council considers it important to retain this Green Space allocation as proposed to be amended to reflect the LWS designation and to protect the Anston Brook natural environment in this locality.				
UG0359	Lodge Hill former quarry, Kiveton Park	B1, B2, B8, allocated general industry in UDP	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	Within a Regionally Important Geological Site RIGS68. The RSPD also allocates this site under policy SP52 as a safeguarded mineral infrastructure site: 'Kiveton Park Landfill and Recycling Centre (secondary aggregates production) and Anstone Quarry (Forticrete) (concrete products)'. RSPD proposes to allocate this former industrial area as Green Space notwithstanding its continuing allocation as a safeguarded mineral infrastructure site subject to meeting all policy requirements. Previous planning permissions require restoration to Green Space of this area. RB2011/0298 revised restoration scheme and permanent retention of inert recycling operations involving recycling of existing tipped material, importation and recycling of inert and non- inert waste material granted planning permission 13/11/2012: restoration will ensure that the site is restored to a form suitable for the intended after use, within an appropriate time scale, in accordance with Policy MIN6 Methods of the Unitary Development Plan, and advice in Supplementary Planning Guidance 2: Methods and schemes of mineral working, restoration and after-care , of the Unitary Development Plan and Paragraph 143 of the NPPF. In future reviews of the Development Plan / Local Plan consideration shall be given to including this land within the Green Belt if this is considered necessary.				
UG0360	Redhill, Kiveton Park	B1, B2, B8 allocated general industry in UDP	Allocate as Green Space and LWS Axle Lane.	No	Yes – it is proposed to re-allocate this site to Green Belt to create a strong Green Belt boundary in this location reflecting the adjacent restored former waste disposal site.
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	Within the Axle Lane Local Wildlife Site. This site has been restored following waste disposal activities. The RSPD proposed re-allocation of the site from business and industrial use to Green Space. However upon further consideration it is clear from aerial photographs that this site more appropriately sits with the adjacent Green Belt (also restored following the most recent waste disposal activity on site). The Council is therefore now proposing that the site be included within the Green Belt. However if inclusion within the Green Belt is not achievable at this stage of plan making its allocation as Green Space preventing future hard development activity on site would seem most appropriate.				

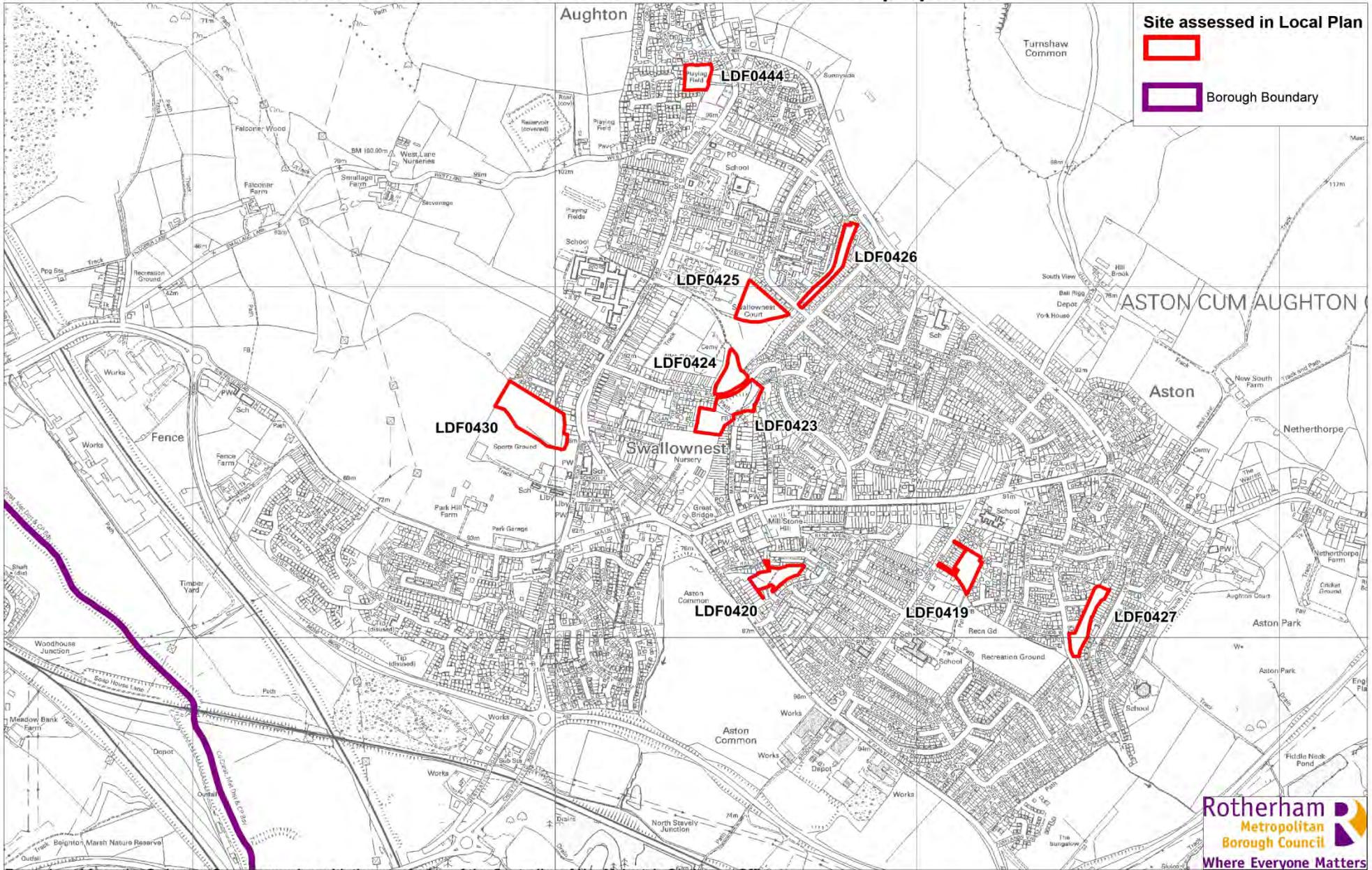
# Areas of Green Space > 0.4 hectares - Aston, Aughton & Swallownest



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UGS / GS Reference	Location & Description	Current status?	What does the RSPD propose?	Within Strategic GI Corridor?	Main Modification Proposed?
UG0208	Land rear of Florence Avenue, Aston	Informal Greenspace allocated Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site is in Council ownership, is publicly accessible and has been assessed for potential residential development: LDF0420; it was rejected at Stage 1 of the site allocation selection process and reported in Part 2 of the Integrated Impact Assessment 2016. Assessed within the Greenspace Audit as Amenity Greenspace of Low Quality / Low Value hence its consideration in the Site allocations process; it is an existing recreational area that performs an important function as a green lung within a densely developed residential area and was included within the development of this area to meet the informal recreational needs of the local community providing a safe and accessible green space to meet local needs of people living nearby. It is proposed to retain the site as Green Space.				
UG0209	Rear of Aston Lodge Primary School	Allocated Urban Greenspace in UDP: Recreation Ground	Allocate as Green Space - Small area adjacent to North changed to residential – H87 LDF0419) but within separate ownership and a different typology.	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	Assessed within the Greenspace Audit as Amenity Greenspace comprising an informal, large, accessible recreation ground with associated play facilities – it was assessed as low quality / high value. Not in the ownership of the Local Authority. It is not proposed to change this allocation. Retain as Green Space as performs a valuable informal recreational function and green lung within a densely populated area. Land to North West of the recreation ground is within different ownership and is proposed to be allocated as a residential development site. This part of the site has been assessed within LDF0419.				
UG0210	Rear of properties on Lodge Lane, Aston	Allocated Urban Greenspace in UDP and now designated Local Wildlife Site	Allocate as Green Space and LWS99.	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	Assessed within the Greenspace Audit as Amenity Greenspace (low quality / high value) and within a designated Local Wildlife Site 99 Austen Park. Proposed to retain as Green Space given its ecological values and footpath connectivity from Alison Drive in the west to Lodge Lane in the east and to the primary school on Lodge Lane.				

UGS / GS Reference	Location & Description	Current status?	What does the RSPD propose?	Within Strategic GI Corridor?	Main Modification Proposed?
UG0211	Strip of land running parallel to The Chase, Aston	Informal recreational greenspace with part functioning as highway verge, landscaping within the wider estate. Allocated Urban Greenspace in the UDP.	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site is in Borough and Parish Council ownership, is publicly accessible and has been designed as integral greenspace to support the wider design of the estate and its associated highway network: 'The Chase'. The northern most part of the site has been assessed for potential residential development: LDF0427; it was rejected at Stage 1 of the site allocation selection process and reported in Part 2 of the Integrated Impact Assessment 2016. Assessed within the Greenspace Audit as Amenity Greenspace which rates the site as high value / low quality. The key planning constraint to successful sustainable development is the linear nature of the site. It is an existing urban greenspace area that performs an important function as a green lung linking residential properties in the north to the recreation ground to the south; it is within a densely developed residential area and was included within the development of this area to meet the informal recreational needs of the local community and to provide a structural landscaping framework. It provides a safe and accessible green space to meet local needs of people living nearby. A significant hedgerow runs north-south on the eastern boundary. It is proposed to retain the site as Green Space.				
UG0213	Off Worksop Road, Aston	Cemetery; Allocated Urban Greenspace in the UDP.	Allocate residential	No	Yes – it is proposed to retain a Green Space allocation for this site rather than re-allocation to residential use.
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	The site functions as a cemetery and will not be developed in the future. Assessed as high quality / low value in the Green Space Audit. The RSPD proposed re-allocation of the site to residential use to reflect adjacent land uses; however upon reconsideration the Council considers that this would be inconsistent with the approach adopted to other cemeteries currently allocated as Urban Greenspace. In view of the site's current use which is likely to remain during the Plan period it is proposed to modify the plan to revert back to allocating this site as Green Space.				
UG0214	South of Swallownest Court	Includes allotments / cemetery/ informal and large	Allocate Green Space	Rother	No

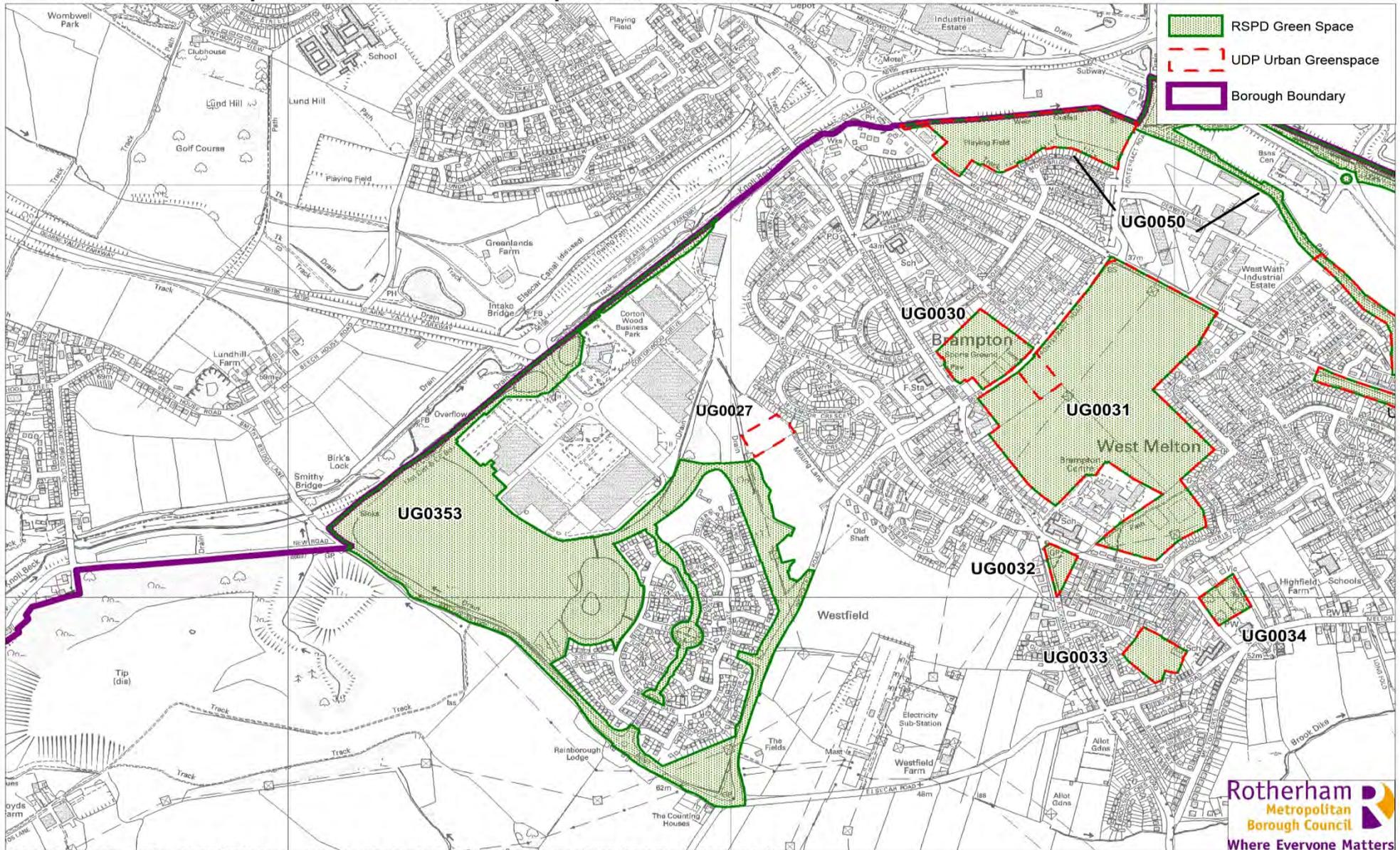
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		recreational area; allocated Urban Greenspace in UDP			
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site is predominantly within Borough Council ownership, and the majority is publicly accessible, but depends on uses. The following sites within the UDP allocated urban greenspace: Local Park typology, have been assessed for their suitability to provide housing: the northern most part of Alexandra Park (LDF0425); the southern part of Alexandra Park (LDF0424) noting that all of Alexandra Park is designated high quality / high value Local Park in the Greenspace Audit.</p> <p>Land to south of Alexandra Road (LDF0423) Greenspace Audit classifies this site as high quality / low value but it is apparent that this site and the wider UDP allocation: Urban Greenspace, performs an important function as an extension to Alexandra Park. The southern-most portion of the (UDP) Urban Greenspace allocation to the south of Alexandra Road has been re-developed for housing purposes and it is proposed to change the allocation of the Urban Greenspace in this location to residential.</p> <p>All three LDF sites (assessed for potential housing development) were rejected at Stage 1 of the site allocation selection process and reported in Part 2 of the Integrated Impact Assessment 2016.</p>				
UG0216	Off Rotherham Road Swallownest adjacent to sports ground	Natural unmanaged scrub. allocated Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Allocate majority of site as Green Space and part as community reflecting the development of a new primary school within the Urban Greenspace.	Rother	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site is allocated as urban greenspace and comprises natural unmanaged scrub land linking into the sports ground to the south; and including an area that has now been developed as the Swallownest Foundation Unit. The site has been assessed for potential residential development: LDF0430; it was rejected at Stage 1 of the site allocation selection process and reported in Part 2 of the Integrated Impact Assessment 2016. The Greenspace Audit rates the site as high quality / high value and there is biodiversity interest on the site, although it is not of sufficient quality to warrant Local Wildlife Site status. In addition the site slopes steeply and is at a lower level than the adjacent land. Given the constraints and the quality of the open space it is proposed to retain the majority of this land as Green Space and to change the Swallownest Foundation Unit to community</p>				

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	facilities - education.				
UG0217	Strip of land Gray Avenue, Swallownest	Informal recreational greenspace with part functioning as highway verge, landscaping within the wider estate. Allocated Urban Greenspace in the UDP.	Allocate as Green Space	Rother	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site is in Borough Council ownership, is publicly accessible and has been designed as integral greenspace to support the wider design of the estate and its associated highway network. The site has been assessed for potential residential development: LDF0426; it was rejected at Stage 1 of the site allocation selection process and reported in Part 2 of the Integrated Impact Assessment 2016. Assessed within the Greenspace Audit as Amenity Greenspace which rates the site as high quality/ low value. This site performs an important function as a green lung linking residential properties at Aughton in the north to the recreation ground to Alexandra Park to the south. The linear nature of the site would restrict development potential. It is within a densely developed residential area and was included within the development of this area to meet the informal recreational needs of the local community and to provide a structural landscaping framework. It provides a safe and accessible green space to meet local needs of people living nearby. A significant hedgerow runs north-south on the eastern boundary. It is proposed to retain the site as Green Space.				
UG0218	Land rear of properties at Hall Road, Aughton	Rear Garden Land allocated Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Allocate as Residential	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	It is considered that these rear gardens do not need to be retained as Green Space within the Local Plan and it is proposed that they be allocated as residential. The Council accepts that in the future some further residential development could be undertaken on these gardens subject to planning requirements but does not consider that this is matter for policy within the Local Plan; any applications will be dealt with on a site by site basis and on their merits.				
UG0219	Off Main Street, Aughton	Informal recreational space including substantial tree coverage with	Allocate as Green Space	No	No

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		TPO's on site. Allocated as Urban Greenspace in UDP			
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site is publicly accessible and is in the ownership of Aston cum Aughton Parish Council. The site has been assessed for potential residential development: LDF0444; it was rejected at Stage 1 of the site allocation selection process and reported in Part 2 of the Integrated Impact Assessment 2016. Assessed within the Greenspace Audit as Park which rates the site as low quality/ low value and has been assessed for potential re-allocation to other uses because of this rating but has not been promoted by the landowners of the site. This site has substantial tree coverage with associated Tree Preservation Orders and informal footpaths and recreational facilities on site. There is currently no vehicular access into this site - any future development would require demolition of existing properties to enable this to happen. Discussions with Greenspaces Team 21/12/10 confirms their agreement with this assessment and the recommendation to retain as Green Space.				
UG0220	Land at Swallow Wood Road, Aston	Allocated for Residential H55 development purposes in the UDP with other supporting uses and facilities.	Allocate as Green Space	Rother	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This land has been designed as informal Green Space and providing a strong landscape structure to support the wider development of the UDP residential allocation H55. It follows the line of the high voltage power line. It is integral to the design of the residential housing estate and the change to the land use allocation reflects the changes that have occurred on the ground. The site includes land at West Park Drive assessed as high quality / low value in the Green Space Audit.				
UG0221	Strip of land along B6200 road at Fence	Allocated as Urban Greenspace in the UDP along the B6200 (formerly route of A57) and including two areas that have previously been tipped.	Rationalisation of the Urban Greenspace, to remove those properties at Fence Farm (UDP housing allocation: H55) that have subsequently been developed	Rother	Yes.  Redraw the Green Space boundary to include LDF0545/ SG16 as Green Space and remove the safeguarded land allocation.

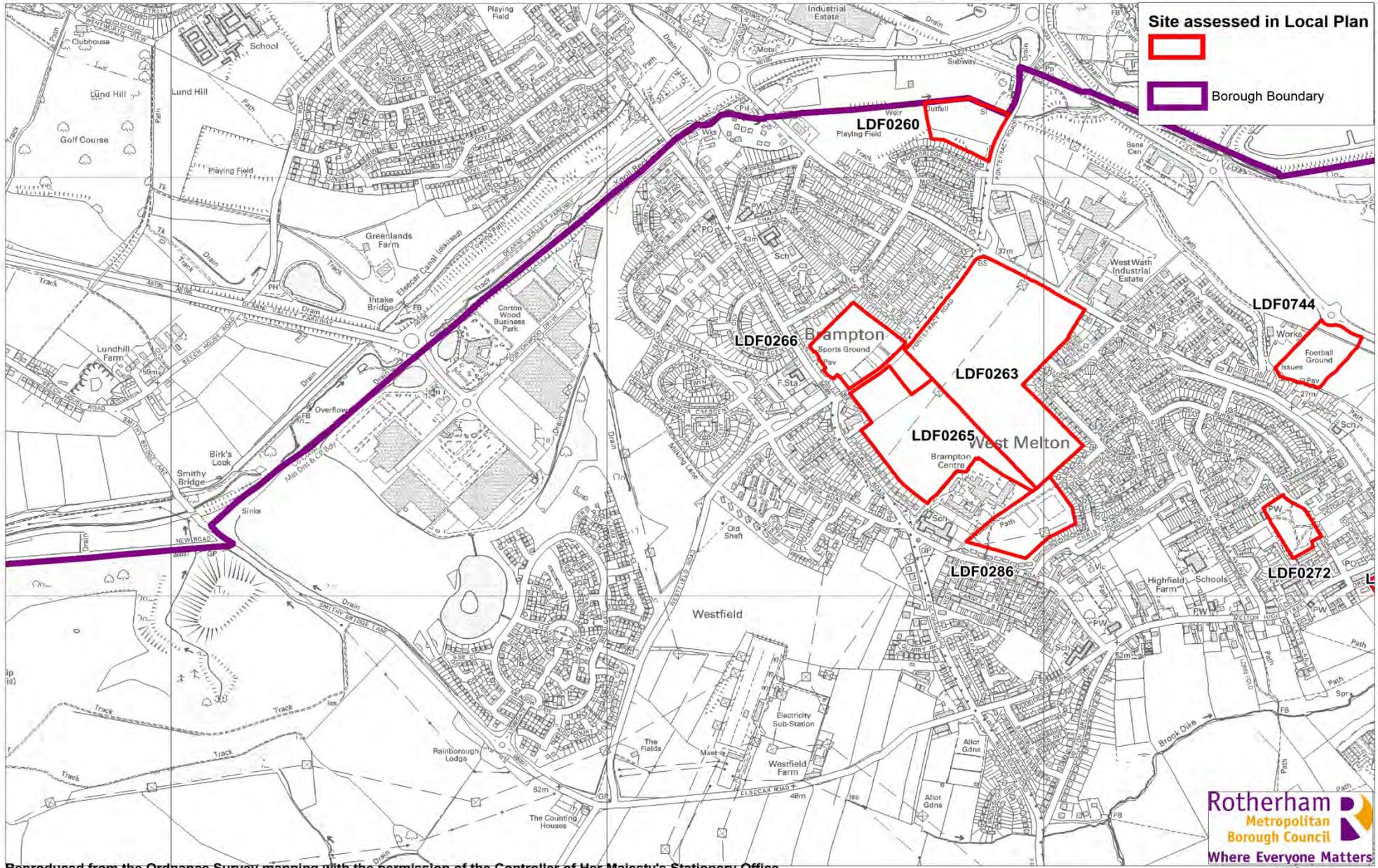
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			within the Urban Greenspace and to safeguard for residential purposes the disused tip to the north of the Aston Bypass (B6200).		
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The Council allocated part of this Urban Greenspace as Safeguarded Land SG16, however following discussion in the Hearing Session the Council now proposes to amend this allocation to Green Space in recognition of the informal footpaths, trees and scrub on site and its connectivity /links to UG0220. Concern was expressed regarding the proximity of possible new development to the Aston Bypass. It is proposed that Safeguarded Residential Land SG16 / LDF545 is now proposed to be retained as Green Space (allocated Urban Greenspace in the adopted UDP) and following discussion in the Hearing Session. Allocation as Safeguarded Land only applies to land to be removed from the Green Belt and retained as Safeguarded Land for potential development following a future review of the Local Plan; therefore the identification of this site, within the submission RSPD, as Safeguarded Land, was inappropriate. Retention as Green Space reflects its status as being within a Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Rother. It is also considered that the allocation provides an irreplaceable amenity function along the road infrastructure, buffering the residential development to the north.</p> <p>As a separate issue: changes to the UDP Urban Greenspace allocation to residential (in the north west) reflects recent development activity within UDP housing allocation H55 and regularises development that has been undertaken.</p>				
UG0350	Strip of land to rear of properties on Wetherby Drive, Aston	Allocated for Residential H32 development purposes in the UDP with other supporting uses and facilities.	Allocate as Green Space	Rother	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This land has been designed as Green Space to support the wider development of the UDP residential allocation H32; it is adjacent to a well wooded brook / dike to the east. It is integral to the design of the residential housing and the change to the land use allocation reflects the changes that have occurred on the ground. The site acts as a wildlife corridor and is within a Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Rother. The majority of the site is within an area assessed as high quality / low value in the Green Space Audit.</p>				

# Areas of Green Space > 0.4 hectares - Brampton and West Melton



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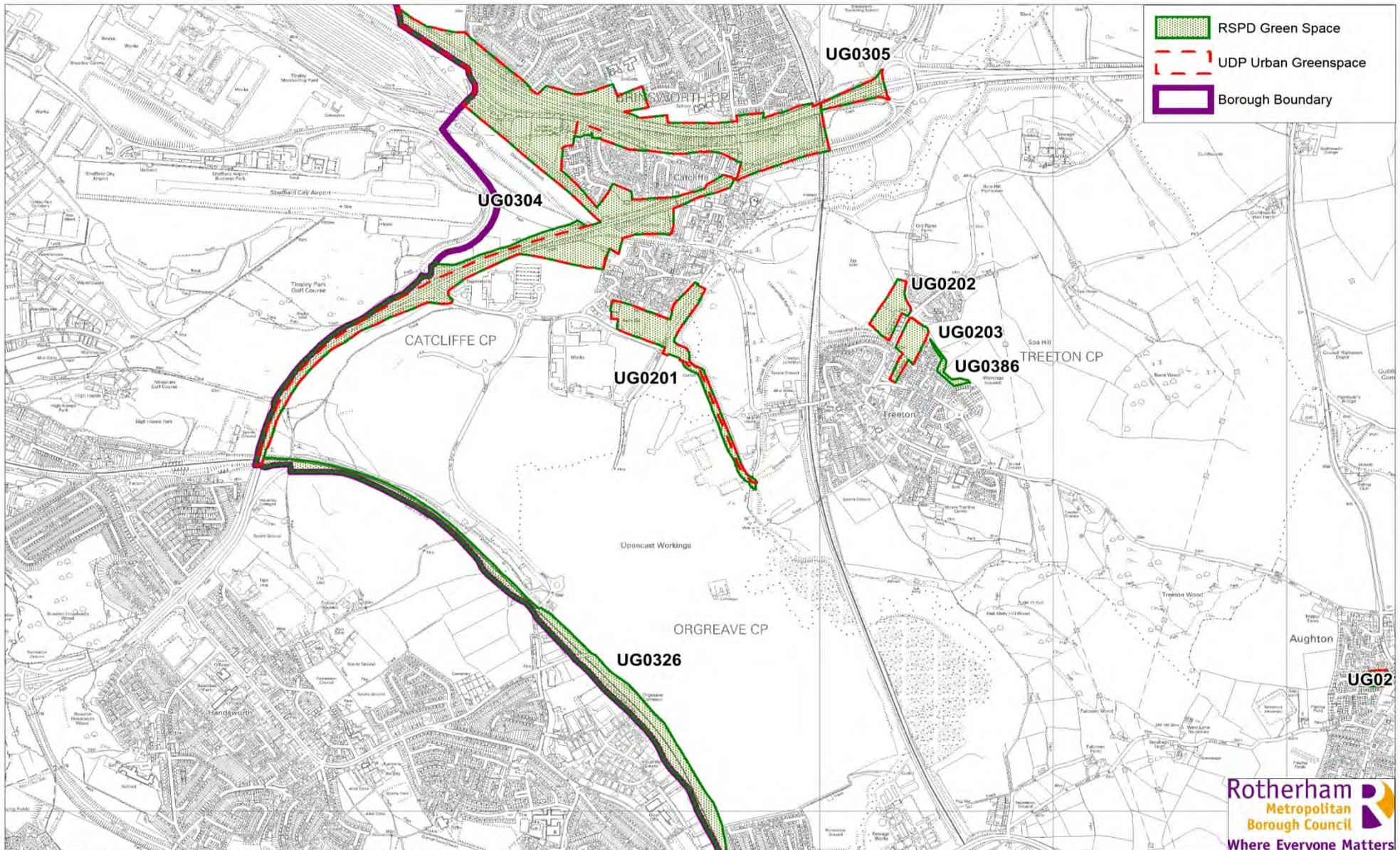
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UG0027	Land off Milking Lane, Corton Wood	Allocated Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Part of residential allocation H40	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This Urban Greenspace provided a buffer between UDP housing allocation H39 and the UDP employment allocation (B1, B2, B8) E1 to north. It provided informal greenspace in this locality. However planning permission was granted in 2008 for 233 homes on this site and the land to the north, not previously developed for employment purposes: now allocated H40 in the RSPD. New Green Space will be created in the delivery of development on site but will most likely follow the line of the electricity pylon.				
UG0030	Land north of Pontefract Road, Brampton	Sports Ground Allocated Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	The site has been assessed for potential residential development: LDF0266; it was rejected at Stage 1 of the site allocation selection process and reported in Part 2 of the Integrated Impact Assessment 2016. Not assessed within the Greenspace Audit as in unknown / private ownership; but it has been assessed for potential re-allocation to other uses. The sports ground has not been promoted for alternative uses by the landowners of the site. This site has extensive sporting facilities available. Discussions with Greenspaces Team 21/12/10 rate this site amber. Loss of this existing sports facility would create some loss of access to Urban Greenspace for residents. Retain as Green Space.				
UG0031	Land south of Pontefract Road, West Melton	Mix of green space uses including: agricultural field (LDF0263); scrub; formal sports facilities (LDF0265 and LDF0286 to north of Brampton Road) and informal recreational facilities including footpaths.	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site is allocated as Urban Greenspace and a small portion as residential in the UDP. The south-western part of the site was assessed as low quality / high value in the Green Space Audit. The remainder of the Urban Greenspace allocation has				

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	<p>not been assessed in the Audit, as it is not publicly accessible and did not meet the methodology or criteria for assessment.</p> <p>The site has however, been assessed for potential residential development: LDF0263/ 265/ 286. The Green Space provides an attractive area of open space, a break, within the built form and functions as a green lung/ green wedge between Brampton and West Melton.</p> <p><b>LDF0263:</b> Whilst this site has been assessed for potential residential development, the best performing sites when assessed against the SA criteria and based on current knowledge of constraints have been recommended for allocation for future development, subject to reaching the targets set out for each settlement grouping within the Core Strategy. At the time of Publication of the RSPD, the Council considered that the housing target for Wath, Brampton Bierlow, West Melton Settlement Grouping had been met and there was no need to allocate further sites, including LDF0263, for residential development. As the site is currently allocated Urban Greenspace it is inappropriate to designate it as Safeguarded Land in accord with policy CS5. The RSPD proposes therefore to retain the Green Space allocation. It is important to note that overhead high voltage electricity cables dissect the site.</p> <p><b>LDF0265:</b> Discussions with Greenspaces Team 21/12/10 and a subsequent email confirms that the Greenspaces Team rate the loss of this site to potential future development red. However given that the Greenspace Audit rated the site low quality/ high value, it is appropriate to explore any future opportunities for potential improvement to the Brampton Recreation Ground. Overhead high voltage electricity cables dissect the site. Retain as Green Space and protect the break in the urban environment between West Melton and Brampton Bierlow; maintain the recreational and sporting facilities on site.</p> <p><b>LDF0286:</b> No suitable means of vehicular access available unless additional land/demolition can be secured. This site was rejected at Stage 1 of the site allocation and selection process and reported in Part 2 of the Integrated Impact Assessment 2016. The Greenspace Audit rates the site as low quality / high value and there is potential biodiversity interest on the site. Retain as Green Space.</p> <p>The land previously allocated as residential within the UDP is proposed to be re-allocated as Green Space in the RSPD. Inclusion within the Green Space allocation and alongside the Brampton Recreation Ground forms a strong and logical boundary to the Green Space in this locality.</p>				
UG0032	Triangle of land at Packman Road, West Melton	Allocated Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	Within Council ownership, substantial hedges and trees around the edge of this site contribute to the street scene. High voltage overhead power line crosses this site. The site was assessed as low quality / low value in the Green Space Audit.				

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	This Green Space provides an important amenity setting for the village of West Melton. It is important to retain the landscaped open character of this site that provides a break in the urban environment. Not considered for re-allocation given the site's importance to the setting of the urban environment.				
UG0033	Land at end of Woodfield Road, West Melton	Allocated Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	Assessed within the Greenspace Audit as an informal, relatively large (0.94 ha), local park in the ownership of the Borough Council – high quality / low value. Ownership passed to the Council as part of the adjacent residential development of 49 dwellings of land off Packman Way through a S52/106 agreement (UDP housing allocation H3). The site is an accessible recreation ground with associated play facilities. It is not proposed to change this allocation. Retain as Green Space as performs a valuable informal recreational function and green lung within a densely populated area.				
UG0034	Cemetery at rear of church, Brampton Road	Allocated Urban Greenspace in the UDP - cemetery	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	The site functions as a cemetery and will not be developed in the future. The site was assessed as high quality / low value in the Green Space Audit.				
UG0050	Long strip of land alongside Manvers Way	Includes playing fields at points along the length of the Urban Green Space + employment land allocation + Public Right of Way: Wath Footpath No 3 + allotment gardens	Allocate all as Green Space	Dearne	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	Following the re-structuring of the Dearne Valley and the reclamation of former coal mines and railway sidings, the UDP allocated land for a mix of uses. As regeneration and re-structuring has progressed land has been identified to fulfil a structural landscaping function and support the Public Rights of Way network. Structural planting alongside roadways has been provided, and both formal sporting facilities and informal recreational space including allotment gardens and Public Rights of Way, Bridleway and informal footpaths have been protected and enhanced. Consideration has been given to providing linkages between green spaces and to the creation of people and wildlife corridors, and to provide an attractive setting for inward investment. Substantial tree and shrub planting also provides links for wildlife to the open countryside to the				

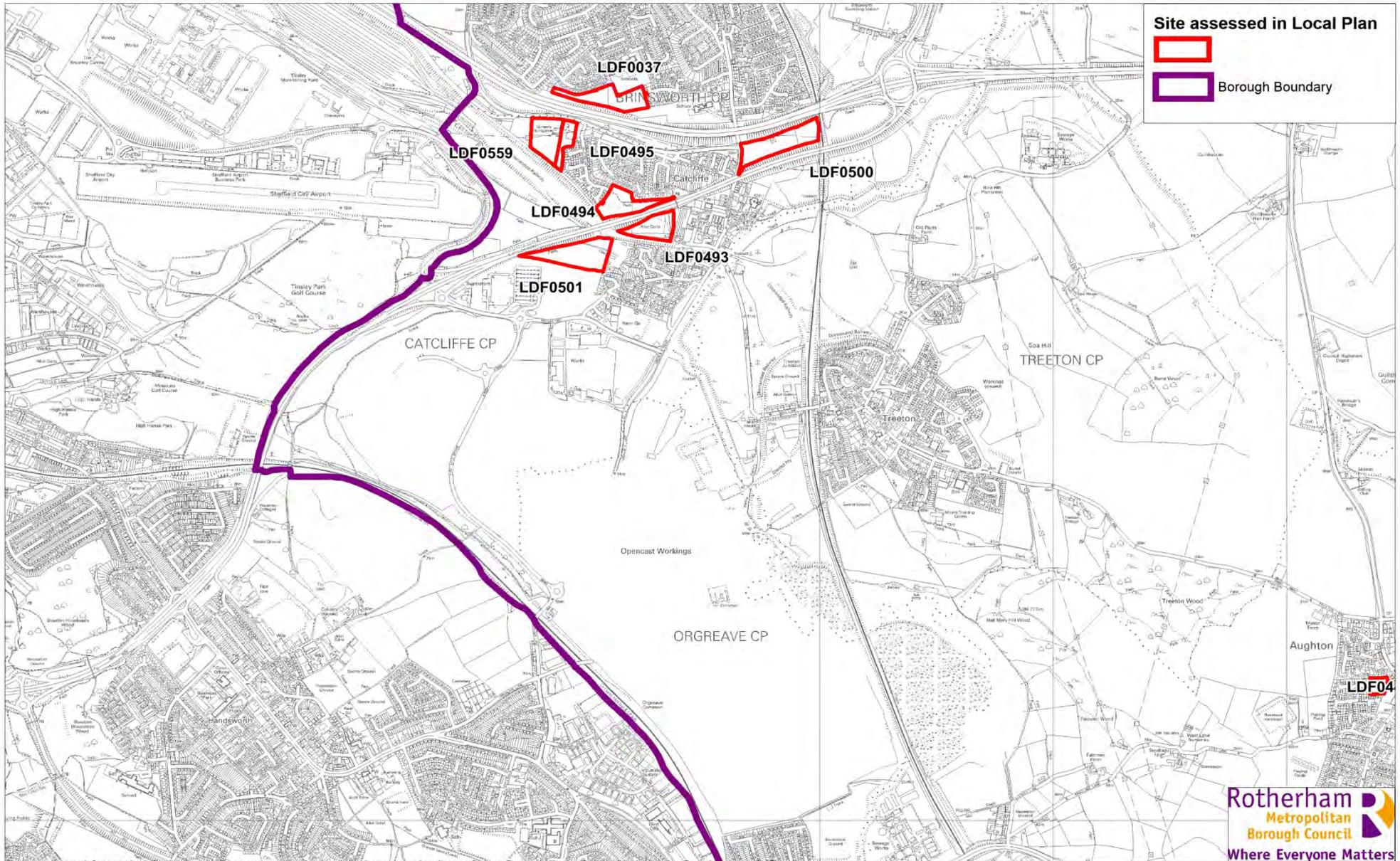
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	<p>north and to RSPB Reserve: Old Moor, just north of the Borough Boundary in Barnsley Borough.</p> <p>Two sites have been assessed: LDF0260 + LDF0744 as part of the SA and site selection process. LDF0260: accommodates a number of mature trees and shrubs, Knoll Beck is to the northern boundary of the site; there is potential for habitat interest. Assessed within the Greenspace Audit for outdoor sports which rates the site as low quality/ high value. There are a number of issues that prejudice against development being promoted on this site: its recreational value, loss of significant hedgerow/trees, possible amenity issues from the industrial site opposite. Collectively, these aspects justify the site's allocation as Green Space.</p> <p>Retention as Green Space reflects its status as being within a Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Dearne.</p>				
UG0353	Large piece of land to west and south west of Cortonwood retail park and providing the GI framework for the	Reclaimed land for development allocated as Mixed Use (MU1): including residential (H4) and supporting services and facilities and retail and Employment (E1) in the UDP.	Green Space: strategic landscape infrastructure and gate way; SuDS; informal Green Space associated with the development of the Corton Wood housing estate.	Elsecar	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>New Green Space created following the restoration of the former Corton Wood Colliery site. On western boundary is Knoll Beck and the Barnsley Boundary walk that connects into the Trans Pennine Trail to the North. During the Unitary Development Plan timeframe the land has been reclaimed for development; and as noted, it is allocated as Mixed Use development including residential with supporting services and facilities and for retail. To the north the land was allocated for employment purposes. This land has now been re-developed and the changes to the Local Plan reflect land uses on the ground. It is proposed that the strategic landscape infrastructure and gateway features; SuDS; and informal green space associated with the re-development including the adjacent Barnsley Boundary walk support the re-allocation of this land to Green Space.</p> <p>Promote as Green Space to reflect its status as being within a Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Elsecar.</p>				

# Areas of Green Space > 0.4 hectares - Catcliffe Treeton Orgreave



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UG0201	Thin strip of land along River Rother	Recreation ground included to north	Allocate as Green Space	Rother	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The linear strip of land follows the line of the River Rother and includes a PROW Assessed in the Greenspace Audit as High Quality / Low Value. This Green Space is within the Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Rother. The Green Space provides a linear routeway from the community of Catcliffe to the open countryside and Green Belt to the south east and acts as an irreplaceable location specific buffer to the south west of the River Rother and the Green Belt, Catcliffe Flash Local Wildlife Site to the north, providing a buffer to the emerging new community at Waverley that has been restored following deep mine operations and open cast coaling activity. This is a prominent open space, with significant wildlife features.</p> <p>Land to the west of Orgreave Lane included within this Green Space allocation is an outdoor sport facility assessed as High Quality /Low Value; informal children's play facilities are also present on site. This land is predominantly within Flood Zone 3 and has previously flooded. Retention as Green Space could potentially enable the storage of flood waters at times of heavy rain. This green space provides an important break in an otherwise heavily urbanised area.</p> <p>Retain as Green Space to reflect its status being within a Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Rother and for the reasons outlined above.</p>				
UG0202	West of Well Lane, Treeton	Allocated as Urban Greenspace in UDP	Allocate as Green Space	Rother	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>Land to north of the green space has been assessed in the Greenspace Audit as part of the wider Treeton Colliery site as natural green space of Low Quality / High Value. This Green Space is within the Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Rother. The Green Space to the north of the allocation provides designated flood storage for the River Rother and is within Flood Zone 3. It is within Local Wildlife Site LWS122: Treeton Colliery. A PROW runs through the northern edge of this Green Space.</p> <p>The Green Space immediately to the rear of the properties fronting Well Lane performs an informal amenity area to these properties, although there is no access into this Green Space to enable future residential development of this part of the site. The Green Space allocation buffers the former Treeton Colliery tip local wildlife, the flood storage area and the linear routeway to the north.</p> <p>Retain as Green Space to reflect its status being within a Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Rother and for the reasons outlined above.</p>				
UG0203	East of Well Lane, Treeton	Well Lane Playing Field Allocated as	Allocate as Green Space	Rother	No

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		Urban Greenspace in UDP			
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The playing field to north has been assessed in the Greenspace Audit as park of High Quality / Low Value. This Green Space is within the Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Rother. A PROW runs along the southern edge of the playing field and north of the well-used allotments area in the south of the Green Space. There are children's play facilities on site.</p> <p>The well-used allotments provide a leisure facility for the community which contributes towards health, quality of life, sense of place and overall well-being of the community they also provide a break / green lung between the properties on Well Lane and Admiral Biggs Drive.</p> <p>Retain as Green Space to reflect its status being within a Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Rother and for the reasons outlined above.</p>				
UG0304	Strips of land alongside M1 motorway and A630 Sheffield Parkway.	Allocated as Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Allocate as Green Space	Land to south of A630 Parkway and east of the rail line near to J33 of M1, is within the GI Corridor: Rother	Yes: amend the Green Space boundary to remove that land (LDF0501) land off Bluemans Way, Catcliffe, granted permission on Appeal, for residential development. Appropriate Main Modifications will be made to the Policies Map, the housing land supply position tables and Chapter 5 the Development Principles section of the emerging Local Plan.
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>It is considered that the Green Space allocation performs an irreplaceable amenity buffer function to the dominant highway infrastructure, providing a linear corridor linking this heavily urbanised area to open countryside, allocated Green Belt, to east and south east. Within this Green Space corridor there are two major highways: the M1 (including J33 - due east) and the A630 Parkway linking J33 with Rotherham and Sheffield via the Parkway/ Rother Way. There is a network of public rights of way throughout the area although these do not necessarily link to each other given the major highway infrastructure in the locality. The Green Space land to the north of the, now dismantled Tinsley railway sidings, (within Sheffield borough) is all within a designated Air Quality Management Zone.</p> <p>The allocated Green Space provides an essential break in this heavily urbanised area dominated by transport infrastructure. The designation of the Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Rother within part of the Green Space allocation, and the proximity of the remainder Green Space to this corridor, emphasises the high value of this green space as a network of green and open space that links the urban area to the adjacent open countryside.</p>				

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	<p>These Green Space /Green Infrastructure assets provide a managed landscape of open grassland, allotments, trees and associated habitats, which help to regulate temperatures, fix carbon, provide places for recreation close to these urban centres, and which enhance the heavily urbanised landscape character of the area. This Green Space allocation and the multi-functional uses therein, adds to the character of our landscape and townscapes including the setting of the urbanised areas adjacent to major highway infrastructure. It assists in addressing climate change including the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, mitigation and adaptation and urban cooling through their open nature and vegetation on parts of the allocations. It assists in sustaining regeneration, economic growth and investment by creating an attractive setting for investment at the nearby Advanced Manufacturing Research Park. Its continuing status as Green Space can assist in the maintenance of natural ecological processes and conserving and extending ecological networks and habitat connectivity.</p> <p>Opportunities to improve cycling, including the provision of a bridleway and a connected PROW network within this wider area that links local communities with the recreational opportunities of the adjacent open countryside, should be further explored.</p> <p>A number of sites have been assessed for their potential to be re-allocated for development purposes: LDF0501; 0493; 0494; 0495; 0559; 0037; 0500. The following two sites were rejected at Stage 1: 494 and 0037 of the site allocation selection process and reported in Part 2 of the Integrated Impact Assessment 2016.</p> <p>The following are the concluding assessments for these two sites:  LDF0037 Amenity open space area next to the M1 motorway. The site suffers from poor air quality because of its proximity to the motorway so not suitable for residential development. There is scope for tree planting to help improve air quality. Retain as amenity area - investigate scope for tree planting schemes.</p> <p>LDF0494: This site is allocated as urban greenspace and is used as informal open space. It is adjacent to the Parkway and within the Air Quality Management Area. Noise from Parkway traffic could be considerable. Whilst there are no other major constraints other than location, given the issues raised it is proposed that the site remains allocated as urban greenspace. Assessed within the Greenspace Audit as natural greenspace of Low Quality / High Value.</p> <p>The remaining sites assessed were considered for potential alternative allocation within the site selection process:</p> <p>LDF0493: It is considered appropriate to retain the site's existing urban greenspace allocation as there is no suitable means of access that can be achieved without utilising additional land. Allied to this, access off Station Road is poor because of the Station Road/Rotherham Road junction. Furthermore, the site is immediately adjacent to the Sheffield Parkway and is located within an Air Quality Management Area; it is rated amber in the surface water flooding assessment; it is within 250m of the</p>				

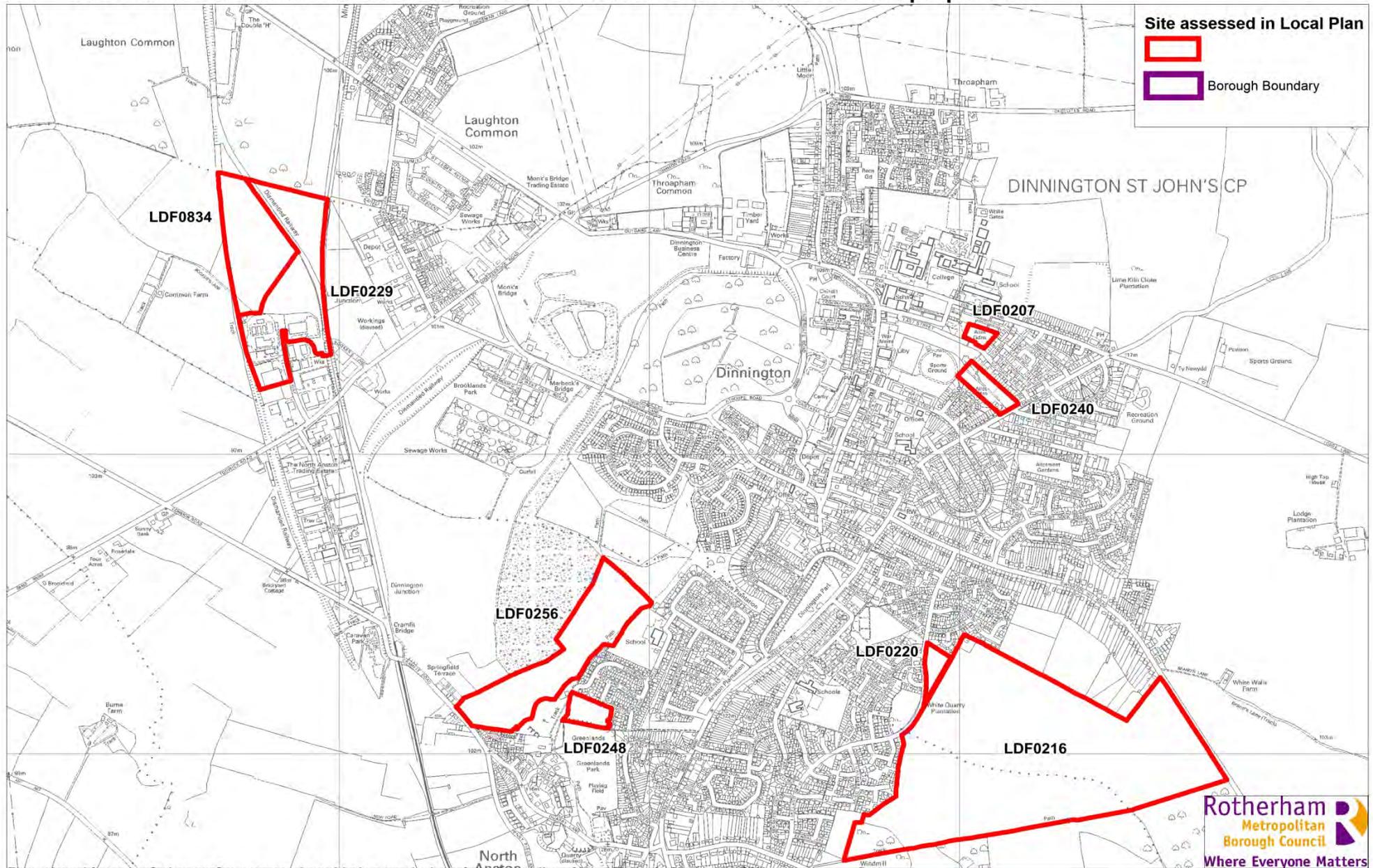
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	<p>SAM of Catcliffe Glass Cone and provides an important amenity buffer to major transport infrastructure and, it is located within the River Rother Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor.</p> <p>LDF0495: It is considered appropriate to retain the site's existing urban greenspace allocation as it is located within an Air Quality Management Area. Furthermore, power cables dissect the site and it is not well served by public transport. The site is remote from services and facilities of the existing community.</p> <p>LDF0559: It is considered appropriate to retain the site's existing urban greenspace allocation as it is located within an Air Quality Management Area. Furthermore, power cables dissect the site and it is not well served by public transport and does not relate to the communities of Catcliffe or Brinsworth and promotes development not well-served by existing services and facilities.</p> <p>LDF0500: It is considered appropriate to retain the site's existing urban greenspace allocation as it is located within an Air Quality Management Area. Furthermore, power cables dissect the site and a pylon is found within the site. The site's locational context with it being bounded on by the Sheffield Parkway, the M1 motorway and a railway line also serve to justify this stance as there are serious concerns regarding the noise levels likely on site arising from the juxtaposition of the Parkway and the M1 motorway and the over-powering nature of this significant transport infrastructure on the site it provides an important amenity buffer to major transport infrastructure and prevents inappropriate development occurring within this sensitive location. The site does not relate well to the existing built form and would negatively impact on the character of the settlement. The site was rated amber in the surface water flooding assessment. The northern and southern boundaries of this site are well wooded. Overall it is considered that development on this site would be unsustainable and it is proposed to retain as Urban Greenspace. This site was discussed fully in the Matter 27 Hearing Session. A planning application for residential development on this site has now been submitted. Given its proximity to the significant highway infrastructure in this locality and being at a lower level of the two roads leads to further concerns regarding the high and constant levels of noise on site.</p> <p>LDF0501: This site is currently allocated as urban greenspace and was previously considered for change of allocation to employment use, although it was acknowledged that there are a number of constraints including the site's close proximity to the Sheffield Parkway, its location specific amenity buffer zone function, being within a Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor - the River Rother; the standard of air quality in this locality (although not in an AQMA), and the potential impact on bio-diversity of the site given the significant coverage of young woodland on site (now with a Tree Preservation Order), provides habitat for some species of birds, mammals and small insects further supporting the biodiversity of the site. This site was discussed fully in the Matter 27 Hearing Session. A planning application for residential development on this site was refused by the Council and a S78 Appeal Hearing undertaken in December 2016. The Inspector's Decision Letter has now been</p>				

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	<p>received, February 2017, and the Appeal allowed. The Council will amend this Proposed Green Space allocation to a residential allocation within the emerging Local Plan to reflect the most recent PINS decision on site.</p> <p>A further parcel of land has been assessed within the Greenspace Audit to the south of Brinsworth Road north of Highfield View as amenity greenspace of Low Quality/ High Value.</p> <p>Paragraph 5.6.61 of Core Strategy Policy CS22 states: “Green space, sport and recreation are essential elements of sustainable communities that contribute towards health, quality of life, sense of place and overall well-being. They can add to an area’s character, making it a place that is distinctive, stimulating and an exceptional place to live and work. Green space is defined as a wide range of public and private areas that are predominantly open in character and provide, or have the potential to provide direct or indirect environmental, social and/or economic benefits to communities.”</p> <p>The Council considers that it is for all of the reasons detailed above, the Green Space allocation in this location should be retained and where possible enhanced and further consideration given to promoting a comprehensive network of bridleways and PRsOW on site. Potentially using the dismantled railway to link to the wider Strategic GI corridor.</p>				
UG0305	Strip of land alongside J33 of M1	Allocated as Urban Greenspace	Green Space	Rother	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>Within the Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor and an Air Quality Management Zone, part of the motorway infrastructure at Junction 33 of the M1. There are some mature trees on site but the Green Space is relatively small in area. Given the potential benefits of retaining green space on this allocation to assist in addressing climate change including the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, mitigation and adaptation and urban cooling it is proposed to retain this allocation as Green Space.</p>				
UG0326	Thin strip of land along railway line, west of new Waverley development.	Allocated General Industrial (B1, B2, B8) in UDP	Allocate as Green Space	Rother	Yes – the Council propose to reallocate this site to Green Belt to check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas and to prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another. In accord with paragraph 80 of the NPPF.
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This Green Space is well wooded in cutting buffering the live rail line, with limited access and provides a linear wildlife corridor along the line of the railway. The UDP allocation of general industrial use reflected the adjacent surface mineral working on the former Orgreave Coal and Coking works. This land has now been reclaimed following the opencast coaling activity including the creation of a cell at the junction of Highfield Lane / Highfield Spring and along part of the length of this rail line (to the south east). The containment cell is known as Waverley Hill within the Green Belt and Waverley new community is</p>				

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	<p>located due north of this Green Space Allocation. A bridleway runs the length of the eastern boundary of this allocation. It is considered that the allocation provides an irreplaceable amenity buffer function along the railway infrastructure buffering the city of Sheffield to the south of the rail line and the Green Belt (within Rotherham) to the north.</p> <p>Whilst the Council supports the continuing allocation of this site as Green Space given the amenity buffer function it performs; it being part of a linear green and open space corridor that is well wooded and supports the movement of wildlife along the corridor and its contribution to mitigating the impacts of climate change; the Council therefore proposes that this Green Space allocation should be re-allocated to Green Belt as it clearly performs a Green Belt function: to check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas and to prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another. In accord with paragraph 80 of the NPPF.</p> <p>If it's not considered possible to allocate this site as Green Belt it should be retained as Green Space given the reasons outlined above, and it being within the Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Rother</p>				
UG0386	Strip of land to rear of Biggs Drive, Treeton	Allocated as residential (housing site H46) in the adopted UDP.	Allocate as Green Space.	Rother	Yes – the Council propose to reallocate this site to Green Belt to check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas and to prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another. In accord with paragraph 80 of the NPPF.
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>A wider area, majority allocated Green Belt, assessed in the Greenspace Audit as natural greenspace: former Treeton Tip - High Quality / High Value. It provides informal recreational activity on the wider site. The proposed Green Space is a small sliver of green space that buffers the recent residential development at Treeton former colliery site from the adjacent Green Belt. This area is well wooded and is quite clearly part of the open countryside to the north.</p> <p>This site is well wooded and contributes to mitigating the impacts of climate change. Whilst the Council supports the allocation of this site as Green Space, given its seamless integration with that land to the north, the Council also considers that this Green Space allocation could be promoted as Green Belt as it clearly performs a Green Belt function: to check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas and to prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another. In accord with paragraph 80 of the NPPF.</p> <p>If it's not considered possible to allocate this site as Green Belt it should be retained as Green Space given the reasons outlined above, and it being within the Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Rother</p>				



# Sites referred to in assessment which have been considered in Local Plan preparation



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UG0284	Strip of land south of Outgang Lane, Laughton Common	Allocated Urban Green Space, Residential, and Employment (B1) in the adopted UDP	Green Space and Residential	Local Anston Brook / Sandbeck	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The Urban Greenspace of the adopted UDP was originally provided as part of the former 1930's colliery housing. Following the closure of the mining industry and the sale of all assets the majority of this housing estate was sold to the Borough Council who maintained and managed the estate for a number of years. However like all "white city" estates a structural failure occurred and the steel rods holding the concrete walls together corroded causing the walls to separate. During the period of the Unitary Development Plan this site was re-developed following demolition of the vast majority of houses and re-structuring of land uses was undertaken. The proposed new Green Space allocation reflects the Green Space provision in the locality and provides a linear link through the housing estate to Eel Mires Dike to south and east of the allocation. There is no public access along the strip of linear Green Space following the line of Eel Mires Dike.</p> <p>The UDP allocated Urban Greenspace was assessed as two parcels in the Greenspace Audit: natural greenspace off Meadow Street assessed as Low Quality / Low Value and amenity greenspace off Hatfield Crescent assessed as High Quality / Low Value.</p> <p>The proposed Green Space provides a landscaped open space to support the amenity of the new estate it provides informal recreational facilities and a wildlife corridor link to Eel Mires Dike in the south.</p> <p>Promote the restructured Green Space allocation to reflect its status as being within a Local Green Infrastructure Corridor: Anston / Sandbeck and for the reasons outlined above.</p>				
UG0285	Land off Bookers Way, adjacent to employment site E13	Proposed as a Local Nature Reserve within an area of Known interest outside protected sites allocated as Urban Greenspace within the UDP.	Within a LWS Allocate as Green Space	Local Anston Brook / Sandbeck	No
<b>Reason for</b>	Considered in the site allocation selection process: LDF0229 (& LDF0834) - extension to E13 land off Bookers Way,				

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<b>Allocation:</b>	<p>discussed in Matter 17 and reiterated below:            “The site, including the fishing pond, is identified as a Local Wildlife Site (LWS). Ecological studies have previously been submitted to the Council. The most recent survey (2013) undertaken by Ecus on behalf of the landowner recognises that the site meets the LWS criteria due to the neutral and wet grassland habitat. It also suggests that the LWS is deteriorating in ecological terms and that the site would benefit from positive management.</p> <p>Whilst the Council accepts that the biodiversity interest on site may be deteriorating it considers that the LWS would suffer adverse impacts were it to be developed in its entirety (leaving little scope for nature conservation) and discussions have taken place regarding the accommodation of new development on site, whilst protecting / mitigating any impacts on the biodiversity interest.</p> <p>This site was considered in 2011 as LDF0229; however in subsequent Local Plan consultations the size of the site was reduced and the Council promoted the continuation of the UDP allocations for this land (employment use on site proposed as allocation E13, and green space on the remainder), recognising that future employment development will take place within the LWS and will need to be compensated for. The Council considers that this remains an appropriate stance which would enable development whilst also ensuring that the LWS interest can be maintained and managed.</p> <p>These issues were considered in the IIA submission part 2 consideration of E13 (LDF0229), section 4.4 Rotherham Urban Area notes in table 4.7 'Rationale for allocated and safeguarded land in Rotherham Urban Area': “Positive attributes include besides conflicts with a Local Wildlife Site and a pond adjacent to the site (features which can potentially be preserved), it is a good-performing site under the IIA / SA, being an existing allocation under the UDP.”</p> <p>Notwithstanding the LWS issues, the Council considers that there is no requirement to provide additional employment land in this location. The Employment Background Paper (EB36) and Housing and Economic Growth Paper (EB73; table 1) indicate that proposed employment allocations relating to this settlement grouping (including E13) already exceed the target set in Core Strategy Policy CS1.</p> <p>Given that there is no evidence regarding the need for additional employment land in this location, along with the ecological survey work indicating that LWS designation remains appropriate, the Council considers that retaining the existing Unitary Development Plan land use designations remains appropriate.”</p> <p>Retain the Green Space allocation to reflect its status as being within a Local Green Infrastructure Corridor: Anston / Sandbeck and designated as a Local Wildlife Site and for the reasons outlined above.</p>				

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UG0286	Large area formerly part of Dinnington Colliery site including the GDO tip + Greenlands Park	Predominantly allocated Urban Greenspace in the UDP, + small sliver general industrial land alongside the mineral rail line + residential housing allocation (reference H28 in UDP) + retail allocation of Undergate Road	Allocate as Green Space	Local Anston Brook / Sandbeck	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>Following the closure of the Dinnington Colliery site, land to south of Church Lane was reclaimed for Green Space purposes and designated as a Local Wildlife Site LWS16 Dinnington Colliery Tip. The majority of this land has now been restored to Green Space for the benefit of the local community and is managed by the Forestry Commission for open space and ecological purposes. Land on the south eastern boundary is in private land ownership and is not publicly accessible.</p> <p>This smaller portion of this part of the site has been assessed in the site selection process and LDF0256 refers: “Development of the site would have significant adverse impacts on the site as a local wildlife site and as an area of green space. Adjacent road network not ideally suited to cater for a significant increase in traffic. Site poorly served by public transport. The surrounding road network is narrow and therefore the increased number of cars associated with potential development needs to be considered. Cramfit Bridge is signalised to prevent two way traffic at any one time, Main Street, North Anston is very narrow and passes through the Conservation Area, Mill Lane passes under a narrow railway bridge. Therefore accessibility into this site could be compromised by the existing highway network that is currently (and likely to remain) very limited. The site is not well located to the existing settlement services and facilities. As a result the site has not been considered as suitable for development and should be retained as Urban Greenspace.”</p> <p>Greenland Park to the south of LDF0256 has been assessed in the Greenspace Audit as Low Quality / High Value and land in the north of the park( off Edinburgh Drive) LDF0248, has also been assessed in the site selection process for potential residential development: “this site is allocated as urban greenspace and is currently used for informal recreation. The site is situated on a restored landfill site and may have contamination and geo technical constraints to development. The greenspace has been assessed by the Greenspace Audit as being high value / low quality. The community made a case for this site to become a QE2 playing field but were unsuccessful. There are concerns regarding accessibility to the site which is</p>				

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	<p>not ideal in terms of culs de sac length. Retain as Urban Greenspace.”</p> <p>Land to north of Church Lane / west of Undergate Road (former General Development Order tip associated with former colliery workings) has been restored and its ownership passed to the Council. A Local Wildlife Site LWS18 Dinnington Open Public Space has been designated and this site along with land to the west and south of the Limes (UDP residential allocation H28) was assessed in the Greenspace Audit as natural greenspace of Low Quality / High Value. There are a number of mature trees and a PROW associated with this green space. Parts of this area are well wooded.</p> <p>To the east of Undergate Road a small UDP retail allocation site has been proposed as Green Space following detailed consideration of surface water flooding issues on site. If in the future, potential developers can satisfy the Drainage Authority and Severn Trent Water that development on part of this site can be delivered whilst protecting its function as surface water flood storage area, then consideration may be given to permitting development on a smaller portion of the site. There are wider concerns regarding the flooding of the Sanctuary Supported Housing, and the elderly persons care home, to the north of this allocation, that require resolution prior to the granting of planning permission on land that can readily store flood waters and limit the wider impact of any future flooding. It is not proposed to change the allocation of this site from Green Space to a development site opportunity.</p> <p>Within the Limes estate, green space has been provided that accommodates a PROW. This green space corridor provides an important link for the residents of the estate to access the wider area of greenspace associated with the former colliery workings.</p> <p>This Green Space allocation reflects land uses on the ground following restoration of former spoil heaps and containment cells to green after uses; the provision of PROW links into this Green Space resulting from residential development and the enhanced ecological value resulting from the restoration of this land. There is also an informal recreation ground including children’s play facilities to the south east of the site. The multi functionality of this Green Space supports its continuing allocation as Green Space noting that smaller parcels of land within this area have been assessed for their ability to contribute to potential residential development in the future but have been rejected in the site allocation selection process.</p> <p>The Green Space allocation reflects its status within a Local Green Infrastructure Corridor: Anston / Sandbeck and designated as a Local Wildlife Site and for the reasons outlined above. It provides a location specific irreplaceable buffer function between the residential areas to the south-east and the containment cell associated with deep mine workings to the west.</p>				
UG0287	Dinnington Park, off Nursery Road	Parkland with significant mature trees allocated as	Allocate as Green Space	Local Anston Brook / Sandbeck	No

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		Urban Greenspace in UDP			
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>Assessed in the Greenspace Audit as park High Quality / High Value. A public right of way along western boundary. There are a number of mature trees on site and this prominent open space provides a strong element in the architectural and aesthetic form of the built environment and it creates a strong sense of place. It provides an important break in the densely built urban environment and provides informal recreational facilities for residents nearby. Given the tree cover on site it is apparent that this site can mitigate climate change through the reduction of greenhouse gases from vehicles on the adjacent highway and improve air quality in the locality. This land is within the ownership of the Borough Council.</p> <p>Retain the Green Space allocation to reflect its status being within a Local Green Infrastructure Corridor: Anston / Sandbeck and for the reasons outlined above.</p>				
UG0288	Strips of land west of Nursery Road	Parkland with significant mature trees allocated as Urban Greenspace in UDP	Allocate as Green Space	Local Anston Brook / Sandbeck	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>Assessed in the Greenspace Audit as natural greenspace High Quality / High Value. This prominent linear open space is well wooded and provides a location specific amenity buffer; it provides a strong element in the architectural and aesthetic form of the built environment and creates a strong sense of place. It provides a structural landscape framework to the urban environment. Given the tree cover on site it is apparent that this site can mitigate climate change through the reduction of greenhouse gases and improve air quality in the locality. This land is within the ownership of the Borough Council.</p> <p>Retain the Green Space allocation to reflect its status being within a Local Green Infrastructure Corridor: Anston / Sandbeck and for the reasons outlined above.</p>				
UG0289	Land off Park Avenue, Dinnington	Burial ground allocated as Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>Land is in use as a Cemetery and provides a break in the urban environment. Assessed in the Greenspace Audit as High Quality / Low Value</p>				
UG0290	Land off Lakeland Drive North Anston	Part plantation allocated as Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Allocate as Green Space	No	No

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<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This Green Space is severed by Lakeland Drive and the land to the west of Lakeland is well wooded; assessed in the Greenspace Audit as natural greenspace of High Quality / Low Value. Land to the east of Lakeland Drive is part of a wider network of fields that are located within the Green Belt. LDF0220 has been assessed in the site selection process and, in earlier stages in plan preparation it was noted that the site is contiguous with site LDF0216 (to the east), and whilst it has a significant number of mature trees along the eastern boundary their retention should be supported.</p> <p>Support the Green Space Allocation of this site given the adjacent open countryside to the east, allocated Green Belt.</p>				
UG0295	Land south of Silverdales, Dinnington	Allotments allocated Urban Greenspace in UDP	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>These well-used allotments provide a leisure facility to the community which contributes towards health, quality of life, sense of place and overall well-being they also provide a break / green lung in the densely built urban environment. A separate footpath link (not a PROW) has been created to the west of this Green Space enabling a linear walk way to be promoted connecting localities within the urban environment</p> <p>Support the retention of this site as Green Space.</p>				
UG0296	Land to rear of Dinnington Resource Centre	Sports ground allocated Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The Sports Ground and children's play facilities was assessed in the Greenspace Audit as Low Quality / High Value outdoor sports. It is proposed to retain the Green Space allocation of this site given its contribution to sporting facilities within the Dinnington urban area, although the sports facilities themselves are now gated and used by the town's football club.</p> <p>This Green Space provides a break in the urban environment and provides both formal outdoor sports facilities and informal children's play facilities to the west of the site. It meets the recreational and leisure needs of the community and contributes towards health, quality of life, sense of place and overall well-being of Dinnington.</p> <p>Support the retention of this Green Space in the light of the valuable outdoor sports facilities and informal children's play facilities that are provided.</p>				
UG0297	Land north of Dinnington Primary	Informal Green Space including a	Allocate allotments	No	No

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	School	Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA) sports use and disused allotments allocated Urban Greenspace in the UDP.	LDF0207 for residential development purposes H79. Allocate remainder as Green Space		
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>It is proposed to retain the remainder linear open space which includes a MUGA (provided for the benefit of the Dinnington Community Primary School and young people living locally). The proposed Green Space allocation has been reduced in size following the proposed allocation of the allotment land to the east for residential development (RSPD proposed allocation H79).</p> <p>This area has seen significant re-structuring during the UDP plan period, with Dinnington J &amp; I school demolished and a new community primary school developed on the site of former residential properties. New residential development has now been completed on the site of the former J &amp; I school. The remaining green space has been retained and protected from future development in the re-structuring of this area as it provides a break or green lung within a heavily urbanised environment and a location for informal recreation for the benefit of local people. It contributes positively to the urban aesthetic supporting essential elements for the creation of sustainable communities that contribute towards health, quality of life, sense of place and overall well-being.</p> <p>The loss of LDF0207 to residential is noted in the site allocation selection process: "Whilst it is acknowledged that the loss of these under-used allotments is a matter of concern and the allotment holders will need to be re-located; it is however anticipated that the benefits of development of this site will remove land that is an eye sore to the surrounding neighbourhood, is visually unattractive and, a potential location for anti-social behaviour."</p> <p>Support the retention of this remainder land as Green Space for the reasons outlined above.</p>				
UG0299	Land at end of Chestnut Grove, Dinnington	Recreation ground Allocated Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>Assessed in the Greenspace Audit as Low Quality / Low Value. However there are limited opportunities for informal recreation in this wider neighbourhood and despite the score from the Greenspace Audit this is a green lung within a heavily urbanised area providing a break within the urban environment. Given the lack of alternative flat recreation grounds that are</p>				

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	<p>accessible to local communities and provide opportunities for informal play, this site should be retained as Green Space. For the above reasons it has not been assessed as a potential development site within the site allocation and selection process.</p> <p>Support the retention of this land as Green Space for the reasons outlined above.</p>				
UG0300	Land at Constable Lane, Dinnington	Cemetery allocated Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>Land is in use as a Cemetery and provides a break in the urban environment. Assessed in the Greenspace Audit as Low Quality / Low Value.</p> <p>Support the retention of this land as Green Space for the reasons outlined above.</p>				
UG0302	Land at end of Park Lane , Dinnington	Allocated Urban Greenspace - informal open space in the adopted UDP	Residential and the remaining open space to be retained as Green Space but not assessed as it is below 0.4ha.	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The remainder Green Space has been assessed in the Greenspace Audit as Low Quality / Low Value. This land was set aside as part of the Park Lane development of residential properties, for informal open space purposes, but the larger Urban Greenspace identified in the UDP has been encroached upon by the residential development on Park Lane. This reduction in the Green Space reflects the activity undertaken on the ground.</p> <p>Support the retention of the reduced area as Green Space for the reasons outlined above.</p>				
UG0343	Land at bottom of Manor Lane, Dinnington	Wooded area adjacent to proposed residential allocation H76 Part allocated Urban	Allocate as Green Space	No	No

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		Greenspace majority to north and east allocated Green Belt			
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site has been assessed in the Green Belt Review 2016, as land to the east is proposed to be released from the Green Belt as housing land allocation H76. With the allocation of H76, this area would become an "island of Green Belt" which is contrary to the guidance contained in National Planning Policy Framework. Therefore it is proposed that, should other Green Belt releases take place in this locality, this site shall be designated as Green Space to protect its function as an orchard. A Public Right of Way runs along the western boundary. Both sites are well-wooded.</p> <p>Assessed in the Greenspace Audit and that land allocated as Urban Greenspace in the UDP is amenity greenspace of High Quality / Low Value; the land currently allocated Green Belt in the UDP is natural greenspace also of High Quality / Low Value.</p> <p>The Green Space provides an important buffer from the densely built urban environment to the adjacent, currently open countryside, and will, when development occurs, on the land to the east, provide an important break in the urban environment. The linear walkway along the western boundary currently provides informal recreational facilities for residents nearby enabling them to enjoy the benefits of the adjacent open countryside to the east and north. Given the tree cover on site it is apparent that this site can mitigate climate change through the reduction of greenhouse gases from vehicles on the adjacent highway and improve air quality in the locality. This land is within the ownership of the Borough Council.</p> <p>However, if housing allocation H76 is not included and is deleted from the RSPD, on its adoption, then the Council will wish to retain the proposed Green Space allocation to the east of Manor Lane as Green Belt as per its current UDP status.</p>				
UG0356	Thin strip of land to east of recent housing development at Outgang Lane, Laughton Common	Allocated as Housing H52 in the UDP, but now complete.	Allocate as Green Space	Local Anston Brook / Sandbeck	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This strip of linear Green Space has been created during the development of housing allocation H52 land off Outgang Lane, the linear green space follows the line of the drain in this area and has been protected to prevent localised flooding in this area. It also provides a strong and irreplaceable amenity buffer function between the urban development and open countryside / Green Belt to north.</p> <p>Support the Green Space allocation to reflect its status being within a Local Green Infrastructure Corridor: Anston / Sandbeck</p>				

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UG0369	Land north of Lordens Hill, Dinngton	Informal open space allocated Urban Greenspace in the UDP + a single residential property within the Urban Greenspace	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>and for the reasons outlined above.</p> <p>The informal open space (formerly allotment land) was assessed as part of the wider site allocation LDF0240, in the site selection process.</p> <p>The site assessment for the whole of LDF0240 (including the residential development to the frontage of Lordens Hill notes: “This site is currently allocated within the Unitary Development Plan as retail to the highway frontage with Urban Greenspace to rear. During earlier rounds of consultation the Council proposed that this site be allocated as a residential development site in recognition of its positive attributes such as its relationship to the existing built settlement and it meeting the settlements role established in the Spatial Strategy (detailed in policy CS1 of the Core Strategy). Planning permission has been implemented for retail on ground floor with residential above, on part of the former retail allocation.</p> <p>Further work to investigate surface water flooding, drainage attenuation issues and the amber rating of this site by Severn Trent Water has led the Council to consider that these issues cannot be suitably mitigated to enable further residential development” on the Green Space “to proceed on site...there are further identified constraints including the multiplicity of owners (known and unknown) of the Urban Greenspace.” This site is therefore proposed to be retained as Green Space in recognition of the public right of way that runs through the middle of the site and the constraints to its future development arising from the surface water drainage issue.</p> <p>This Green Space provides a break in the urban environment and a supports a linear routeway from Lordens Hill to the Dinngton Community Primary School via UG0297 to the north and to the main shopping area on Laughton Road to the west via East Street/ School Street.</p>				

# Areas of Green Space > 0.4 hectares - Harthill



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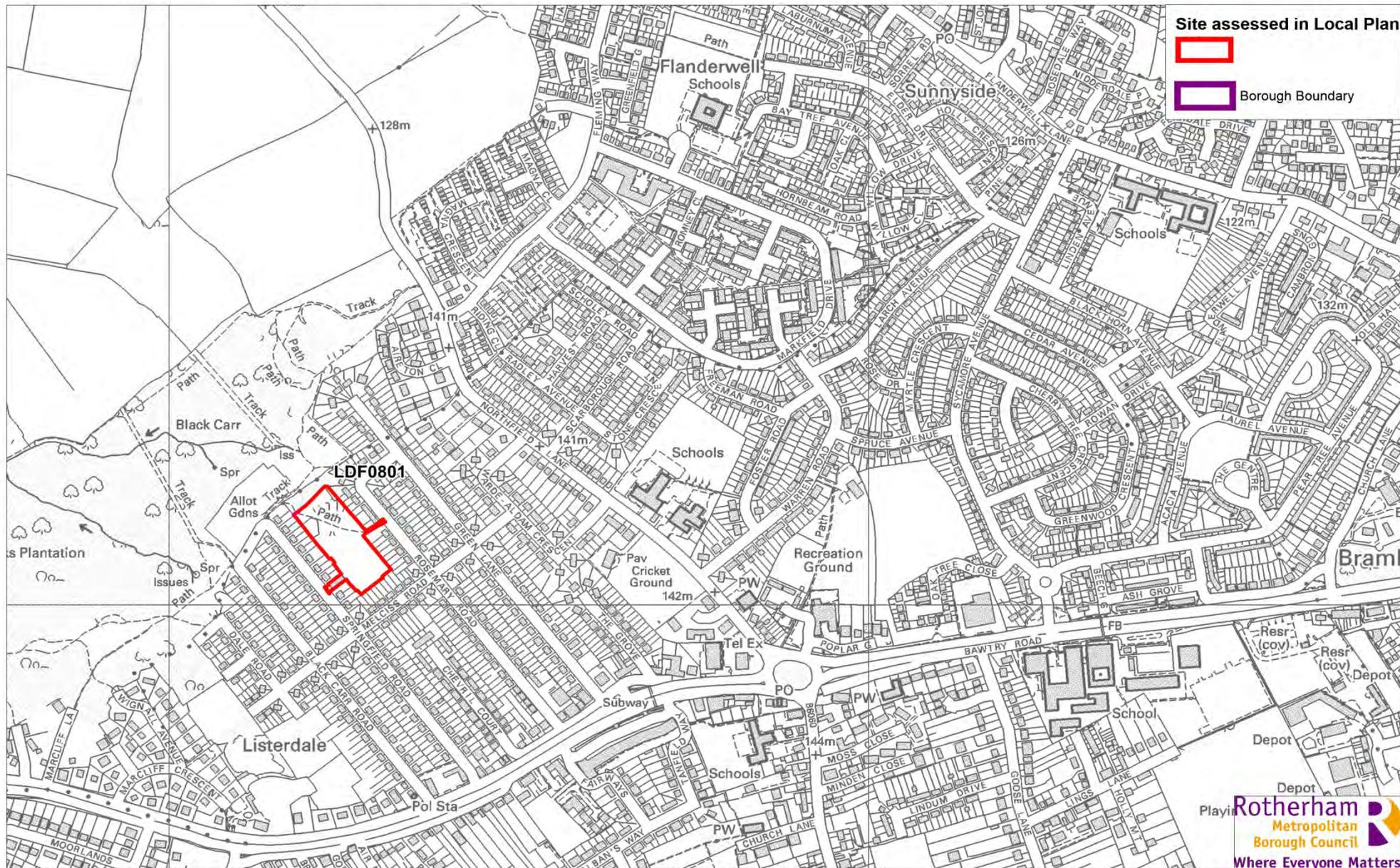


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UG0242	All Hallows Church Grounds	Cemetery Allocated as Urban Greenspace in UDP	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site provides a formal outdoor facility in its use as a graveyard to All Hallows Church. It falls within a Conservation Area and is a networking point for a number of public rights of way: Harthill footpaths numbers 10, 11, and 17. The site is of heritage value which also assists in maintaining the setting of the church as a heritage asset and Grade I listed building. The site is also surrounded by a stone boundary wall which forms the boundary of the highway and the site is raised above ground level. There are Tree Preservation Orders on several of the veteran trees on the site, adding to the distinctive character of the green space. Assessed as High Quality / Low Value in the Greenspace Audit.				
UG0243	Land behind Leisure Centre, Woodall Lane	Bowling Green Allocated as Urban Greenspace in UDP	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	The Bowling Green and leisure centre facilities provide a formal sports and recreation function to meet the recreational and leisure needs of the community. The site is surrounded by additional informal leisure facilities within the Green Belt to the West which begins beyond the bowling green. There is a clear boundary hedgerow along the site which separates it from the adjacent Green Belt. The site also falls partially within the Conservation Area to the east of the site. It falls within a wider area assessed as low quality / high value in the Green Space Audit.				
UG0244	Land east of Serlby Lane	Recreation ground and allotments Allocated as Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site provides an open space within the built-up area between Serlby Lane and Doctor Lane. The allotments are considered to provide a leisure function and the recreation ground provides an informal sports and leisure facility that is safe and accessible, away from the road. Allotments are considered to provide a leisure facility in the form of food production which contributes towards health, quality of life, sense of place and overall well-being.				
UG0246	Land west of Winney Hill	Allotments Allocated as Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Allocate as Green Space, small portion residential to reflect garden status.	No	No

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<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The allotment gardens west of Winney Hill were previously allocated as Urban Greenspace in the UDP, and the site has been revised for the Local Plan. The allotments provide a leisure function for the community and contribute towards health, quality of life, sense of place and overall well-being. Furthermore, the site provides a break in the urban environment. The private gardens previously allocated as Urban Greenspace in the UDP have been removed from the site allocation; it is considered that these rear gardens do not need to be retained as Green Space within the Local Plan and it is proposed that they be allocated as residential. The Council accepts that in the future whilst some further residential development could be undertaken on these back gardens, any planning applications will be subject to planning policy requirements; it does not consider that this is a matter for policy within the Local Plan. Any potential applications will be dealt with on their merits on a site by site basis.</p>				



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UG0164	Land north of Bawtry Road, Wickersley	Park. Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Green Space and residential use	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>Wickersley Park provides a range of formal and informal recreational spaces and uses. It includes maintained grassland and formal paths, a bowling green and pavilion, play areas and equipment. It includes areas of woodland with mature trees which offer potential wildlife habitats. The Green Space Audit rated the site as high quality / high value.</p> <p>The south-eastern boundary of the green space has been amended to reflect the housing development which has taken place; this area is proposed to be washed over for residential use. The remainder will be allocated for green space.</p> <p>The site has significant value as a green space, playing a role in meeting the recreational and leisure needs of the community as well as providing a break in the urban area. It also has biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0165	Land east of Northfield Lane, Wickersley	Cricket Ground. Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site is in use as a cricket ground; including formally laid out pitch and accompanying pavilion and car parking facilities. It is home to Wickersley Old Village Cricket Club. Part of the site boundary includes mature trees which offer potential wildlife habitats.</p> <p>The site provides formal recreation facilities meeting the recreational and leisure needs of the community. It plays a role and a break in the urban environment. It also has biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0166	Land north of Melciss Road, Wickersley	Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of an open area of grassland. The northern border includes some mature trees and borders on to an area of woodland. The remaining site boundaries back on to residential gardens and include a variety of treatments, including some trees and shrubs. These features offer potential wildlife habitats. In the Green Space Audit the site was rated as low quality / high value. Whilst there are informal footpaths / desire lines across the site it is noted that the site is not currently publicly accessible. The site has value in terms of providing a break in the urban area and also has biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area. The site has been considered for development as part of the local plan process (LDF801) and is proposed to be retained as green space.</p>				

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UG0167	Land at end of Church Lane, Wickersley	Cemetery; Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	The site functions as a cemetery and will not be developed in the future. It includes areas of natural grassland and shrubs.				
UG0168	The Centre, Bramley	Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This area of informal open space consists of mowed grassland and a number of informal footpaths / desire lines indicating their use. There is a small cluster of trees which may have potential for harbouring some wildlife.  It is bounded by residential development and provides an amenity and informal recreation role and a break in the urban environment.				
UG0169	Bramley Park, Bawtry Road	Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	Area of amenity open space consisting of grassland with informal footpaths and a number of mature trees. In the Green Space Audit the site was assessed as high quality / high value. The site provides informal recreation opportunities meeting the needs of the community. It plays a role as a break in the urban environment and has biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.				
UG0170	Land south of Bawtry Road, Bramley	Allotments. Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site consists of existing allotment gardens. These remain in use and provide for the needs of the community, as well as providing a break in the urban environment.				
UG0171	Land east of Flash Lane, Bramley	Playing field. Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site consists predominantly of an open grassed playing field. The eastern part of the site includes a youth centre, play facilities, and games court. The site is bordered by trees and shrubs which may provide some opportunities for wildlife habitats. The Green Space Audit rated this site as high value / high quality. The site provides recreation and leisure opportunities meeting the needs of the community. It plays a role as a break in the urban environment and has biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.				

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UG0173	Thin strip of land alongside Bawtry Road, Bramley	Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Green Space	No	Yes – to reallocate part of the site covering Bawtry Road to residential use
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This is an area of predominantly grassed open space and trees on steep sloping land between Bawtry Road and the residential development to the north. It includes a footpath link at its eastern end between the housing and main road. It currently extends to cover part of Bawtry Road; in view of this it is proposed to amend the green space boundary to exclude this area and to draw the boundary back to the footpath to better reflect the extent of the green space. The excluded land is to be washed over for residential use reflecting the adjacent land uses.</p> <p>It performs an amenity buffer between the residential development and Bawtry Road as well as providing informal amenity open space for the neighbouring residential development.</p>				
UG0174	Land at Bramley Grange Crescent	Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This area of informal open space consists of mowed grassland and a number of informal desire lines indicating their use. The Green Space Audit rated the site as high quality / low value. It is bounded by residential development and provides an amenity and informal recreation role and a break in the urban environment.</p>				
UG0176	Land west of Belvedere Parade, Bramley	Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This area of open space consists of mowed grassland and footpath providing a link for surrounding communities. There are a number of mature trees within and on the boundary of the site which may offer wildlife habitats. The Green Space Audit rated the site as low quality / high value. It is bounded by residential development and provides an amenity and informal recreation role and a break in the urban environment, as well as biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0178	Land north of Flanderwell Primary School	Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Green Space	No	Yes – re-allocate part of green space to be included within an extended community facility allocation to reflect the extent of the school playing field
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This area of open space consists of mowed grassland and mature trees which may offer wildlife habitats, along with a footpath providing a link for surrounding communities. It currently also includes part of the playing field associated with Flanderwell Primary School to the south; this area of land was incorporated into the school grounds following planning permission in 2013 which also re-routed the public footpath. It is therefore proposed to extend the existing community facilities allocation to include this land which is currently part of the green space allocation.</p>				

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	The remainder of the site is bounded by residential development to the north, east and west. There are a number of mature trees within the site. It provides an amenity and informal recreation role and a break in the urban environment, as well as biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area. It also provides a buffer role between the school to the south and residential development to the north				
UG0180	Land south of The Green, Woodlathes	Allotments / Playing Field. Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The western part of this site consists of allotment gardens with an open grassed area. The eastern part of the site consists of an open playing field of mown grass. It is predominantly bordered by trees and shrubs which may offer wildlife habitats. A public right of way runs through the site.</p> <p>It provides an amenity and informal recreation role and a break in the urban environment, as well as biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0183	Land at Broom Close, Woodlathes	Playing Fields. Urban Greenspace in the UDP, small area allocated for residential use		No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This area consists of open playing fields of mown grass, with some areas of mature trees, shrubs and natural grass which may offer wildlife habitats. It also includes other linear areas of open grassland and mature trees. It includes land which has been provided as amenity open space as part of adjacent residential development. A footpath / cycle path runs through part of the site. The linear nature of the site means that the site plays a key linking role for communities.</p> <p>The green space boundary around Broom Close has been amended to better respect the form of built development and to include areas of open space remaining following housing development.</p> <p>It provides an amenity and informal recreation role and a break in the urban environment, as well as biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0185	Land at end of Barberry Way, Ravenfield Common	Playing Fields. Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Green Space; residential use	No	No
<b>Reason for</b>	This area consists of an open field of mown grass, with some areas of mature trees and shrubs which may offer wildlife				

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<b>Allocation:</b>	<p>habitats. It also includes other linear areas of open grassland and mature trees. It includes land which has been provided as amenity open space as part of adjacent residential development.</p> <p>The south-eastern boundary has been amended to reflect the housing development which has taken place; the land removed from the green space boundary will be washed over for residential use.</p> <p>It provides an amenity and informal recreation role and a break in the urban environment, as well as biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0188	Strip of land west of M18 junction 1	Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Green Space; Green Belt; Business Use	No	Yes. Main modifications proposed to rationalise the boundary and include additional green space to the south
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The Green Space allocation in the UDP covers limited verge areas close to M18 junction 1. It is proposed to amend the boundary to provide a more logical and defensible Green Belt boundary to the north of Bawtry Road, and to include part of the current allocation within the B1 business use allocation. The green space boundary is then proposed to be extended to the south to encompass land currently within the B1 allocation but which consist of mature trees and scrub bordering Bawtry Road, and the open space within the existing development which lies beneath overhead pylons which limit any further development opportunities.</p> <p>The resulting green space allocation performs a number of functions; mature trees and shrubs may offer wildlife habitats, and the existing grassed area to the front of the hotel provides amenity and informal recreation opportunities and a break in the urban environment for users of the site and the wider business use allocation. It also plays a role in providing buffering between the existing built development and the significant highway infrastructure adjacent (junction 1 of the M18 motorway).</p>				
UG0257	Land south of Hellaby Hall / Hotel	Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site includes part of a Scheduled Ancient Monument, a Listed Building and a number of trees within the site are subject to a Tree Preservation Order (Rotherham RDC Tree Preservation Order (No.1) 1952). The allocation consists of areas of maintained and unmaintained grass land, mature trees and shrubs which may offer wildlife habitats.</p> <p>The UDP urban greenspace allocation was intended to provide a buffer function and forms part of the setting of the listed building and scheduled ancient monument. The area was required to be kept clear of development by the then Secretary of State when he approved the adjacent development of approximately 45 hectares of land for industrial development in 1971.</p> <p>The site therefore provides an irreplaceable buffer function in terms of maintaining features of heritage and biodiversity value,</p>				

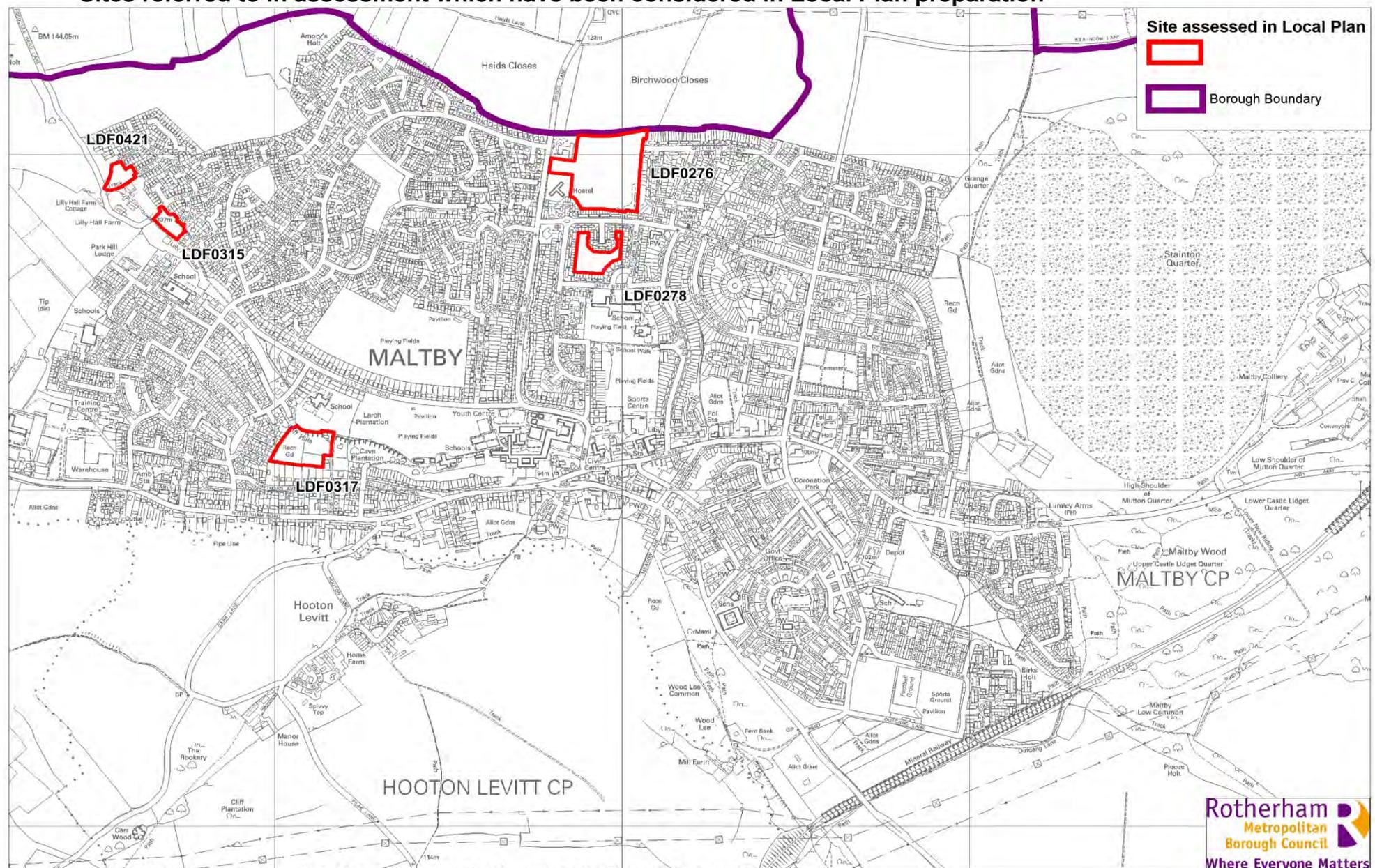
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	providing a break in the urban environment, as well as biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.				
UG0310	Strip of land south of Bawtry Road, Hellaby	Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of areas of open grassland with hedgerows bordering Bawtry Road. A small area of hard standing in the centre appears to be used for the storage of vehicles. To the west the site borders residential garden land. There are a significant number of mature trees bounding the site to the east along the dismantled railway line. The site is in private ownership. It forms part of the open gap between Maltby and Hellaby. A previous planning appeal decision against a refusal of planning permission (RB2000/0577 Retrospective application for use of land to rear of property for caravan storage) acknowledged this, concluding that the site performs an important visual function in maintaining the separation of Hellaby from Maltby to the east.</p> <p>The site has been considered as part of the local plan preparation process. Assessment noted that the site suffers from significant access difficulties with no suitable means of vehicular access available, particularly as direct vehicular access to Rotherham Road would be resisted.</p> <p>The site therefore provides an important role in terms of providing a break in the urban environment and maintaining the gap between Maltby and Hellaby, as well as some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0324	Land behind properties west of Sorby Way, Wickersley	Wooded area adjacent to proposed safeguarded land. Green Belt	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of an area of woodland comprising mature trees, shrubs and unmaintained grass land. It includes a small area of land which has been granted planning permission (implemented) for change of use to a domestic allotment. To the east the site borders residential development. The remaining boundaries border land which is proposed to be removed from the Green Belt as safeguarded land. This would leave this site as a small pocket of Green Belt. To avoid this, the site is proposed to be allocated for green space.</p> <p>The allocation offers wildlife habitats and therefore plays an important role as regards biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area. It also provides visual amenity.</p>				
UG0334	Strip of land south of Bramley Lings Estate	Allocated for residential use in	Green Space	No	No

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<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site consists of amenity open space retained / provided as part of adjacent residential development which lies beneath overhead power cables (limiting development opportunities). As such it is proposed to re-allocate the site from residential to green space. It is a linear series of open spaces primarily of mown grass land with mature trees at the borders and small areas of woodland which provide wildlife habitat opportunities. Footpaths are also evident, including a public right of way which crosses the area. The linear nature of the site provides linkages for surrounding communities. It provides an amenity and informal recreation role and a break in the urban environment, as well as biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.				
UG0335	Strip of land south of Bramley Lings Estate	Allocated for residential use in the UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site consists of amenity open space retained / provided as part of adjacent residential development which corresponds with the line of an underground cross country gas pipeline (limiting development opportunities). As such it is proposed to re-allocate the site from residential to green space. It is a linear series of open spaces primarily of mown grass land with mature trees at the borders which provide wildlife habitat opportunities. Footpaths are also evident, including a public right of way which crosses the area. The linear nature of the site provides linkages for surrounding communities. It provides an amenity and informal recreation role and a break in the urban environment, as well as biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.				
UG0336	Land south of Woodlaithes Road	Allocated for residential use in the UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site consists of amenity open space provided as part of adjacent residential development. As such it is proposed to re-allocate the site from residential to green space. It is mown grass land with a footpath crossing it supported by lighting columns. The Green Space Audit identified the site as high quality / low value.  It provides an amenity and informal recreation role and a break in the urban environment serving the surrounding area.				
UG0337	Land and lake north of Woodlaithes Road	Allocated for residential use in the UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site consists of amenity open space, including surface water storage pond, provided as part of adjacent residential development. As such it is proposed to re-allocate the site from residential to green space. It includes mown grass land with a				

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	<p>footpath around the pond, along with a number of mature trees which together provide wildlife habitat opportunities. The Green Space Audit identified the site as high quality / low value.</p> <p>It provides an amenity and informal recreation role and a break in the urban environment as well as biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area. It also constitutes a strong element in the aesthetic form of this community.</p>				
UG0361	Strip of land to west of Woodlathes housing estate	Allocated for residential use in the UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of amenity open space provided as part of adjacent residential development. As such it is proposed to re-allocate the site from residential to green space. It consists of footpaths with lighting and mown grass land, along with some trees and shrubs which provide wildlife habitat opportunities. The linear nature of the site provides linkages for surrounding communities from the urban area to the countryside.</p> <p>It provides an amenity and informal recreation role and a break in the urban environment, along biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area, as well as a linear routeway linking urban areas to the surrounding countryside.</p>				



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UG0258	Strip of land behind properties on Redwood Drive	Area of allocated Urban Greenspace in UDP	Allocation as Green Space	Maltby	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	Area of land currently allocated Urban Greenspace in UDP predominantly consisting of woodland with mature trees. The southern part of this area provides buffering between the residential uses to the north and the employment area to the south. Part of the site (land rear of 62-70 Redwood Drive is subject to a Tree Preservation Order (Rotherham Borough Tree Preservation Order No.12 (2010)).				
UG0262	Land adjacent to Lilly Hall School	Recreation Ground and woods allocated Urban Greenspace in UDP	Allocation as Green Space	Maltby	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This area includes several distinct but linked parcels of green space. To the west is an informal recreation ground bounded with mature trees to the north, east and south. The northern part of this section includes a wooded area of mature trees. The trees provide potential biodiversity habitats. This area has been considered as part of local plan preparation (LDF317). This identified a significant access issue with no suitable means of vehicular access without additional land/demolition. Given these constraints it was proposed that the site remains allocated as urban greenspace.</p> <p>To the east the area comprises of Larch and Cave Plantations which consist predominantly of woodland containing mature trees. Part of Larch Plantation is bounded to the east and west by playing fields associated with the schools (Maltby Academy to the east and Maltby Lilly Hall Academy to the west).</p> <p>The site also falls within a Regionally Important Geological Site (R93, School Cave, Maltby), and part of the site is within Larch Plantation Local Wildlife Site (Site ref 123). These areas of natural green space and recreation ground provide a break in the urban environment and amenity, recreation and biodiversity habitat functions.</p>				
UG0263	Land off Hazel Road	allocated Urban Greenspace in UDP - partly wooded and partly used for informal recreation	Allocation as green space	Maltby	Yes – it is proposed to amend the boundary to exclude areas to the south which have been developed for residential use (allocate for residential use), and to regularise the eastern and northern boundaries to include highways

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					verge and existing trees (re-allocate from residential use to green space)
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of woodland containing mature trees to the eastern part of the site, with the western side consisting of grassland, footpaths and some mature trees in use for informal recreation. The majority of the site falls within Hazel Wood Road Local Wildlife Site (site ref 101). It provides a break in the urban environment and amenity, recreation and biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding residential development.</p> <p>A review of the proposed allocation has identified the need for boundary amendments to re-allocate land on part of the site to residential use to reflect residential development which has taken place. To the east and north it is proposed to extend the green space allocation to include highways verge and land containing existing woodland to ensure that the green space allocation runs to the edge of the footpath (consistent with the eastern boundary of the site).</p>				
UG0264	Strip of land along Lilly Hall road (track)	Urban greenspace allocation in the UDP; partly wooded. Part of site is currently public open space but allocated for residential use	Green Space	Maltby	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site provides a linear link from the urban area to the surrounding countryside. It consists of unmaintained scrubland and mature trees.</p> <p>To the north east it is proposed to allocate land currently allocated for residential use. This area has been considered as part of local plan preparation (LDF315) and is an area of undeveloped grassland (with some mature trees bounding the site to the west and south) which forms part of a larger site that was granted planning permission for 74 dwellings in 1996. The site consists of public open space provided when developing the adjacent housing. The Green Space Audit rated this site as high quality / low value. It is therefore considered appropriate to reallocate this area to green space.</p> <p>The majority of the site falls within a candidate Regionally Geologically Important site (R128, Lilly Hall Fordoles Head). Overall the site provides amenity, recreation and biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding residential development.</p>				
UG0265	Area of land off Yarwell Drive	Urban greenspace allocation in the	Green Space	Maltby	No

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<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site consists of an area of open grassland which is used for informal recreation purposes. The open space was provided as part of the development of surrounding residential areas in order to meet the recreational needs of the surrounding community. This site therefore provides a break in the urban environment for recreation and amenity purposes.				
UG0267	Land south of Salisbury Road	Urban greenspace allocation in the UDP	Green Space	Maltby	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	The site is currently an area of kept grassland behind back gardens to properties on Cheetham Drive and Davy Drive. This site has been considered as part of local plan preparation (LDF278). The Green Space audit assessed this as low quality / low value amenity green space. The site has not been taken forward for development, taking account of the fact that access could only be suitably obtained into the site if an existing property were to be demolished. It continues to provide an amenity and informal recreation role and provides a break in the urban environment.				
UG0269	Land at end of Charnell Avenue	Allotments. Urban greenspace allocation in the UDP	Green Space	Maltby	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site consists of existing allotment gardens. These remain in use and provide for the needs of the community, as well as providing a break in the urban environment.				
UG0270	Land to south of Manor Road School	Playing fields, recreational areas and allotment gardens. Urban greenspace allocation in the UDP	Green Space	Maltby	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	The site is currently used as playing fields and a recreation ground, with part of the site in use as allotment gardens. To the north of the site lies a school. To the east and west are existing residential properties. To the south of the site lies the sports centre. There is evidence of football pitches marked out on the grass, and recreational equipment and a skate park have been provided in the southern part of the site. The north-western part of the site consists of the Limesway allotment gardens which remain in use. There are a large number of mature trees and hedgerows that surround the site and may offer potential for wildlife habitat.				

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	The Green Space audit assessed this site as high quality / high value. It plays a role in meeting the recreational and leisure needs of the community as well as a break in the urban area. The site has significant value as a green space and provides amenity, recreation and biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.				
UG0271	Land to east of Grange Lane	Cemetery. Urban greenspace allocation in the UDP	Green Space	Maltby	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	The site consists of a cemetery and includes a number of mature trees within and on the boundary of the site. Development of the site is not proposed and retention as green space remains the most appropriate given its existing use.				
UG0273	Land to west of Maltby Colliery	Urban greenspace allocation in the UDP. Informal open space, allotment gardens	Part of area to be allocated for residential development (H70); part to be allocated for green space	Maltby	Yes. The Council is proposing a modification to the remaining area of Green Space to the south to enable access to H70 from Tickhill Road (details of the precise extent of this change are still being considered).
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The UDP greenspace allocation consists of a number of linear linked areas along the edge of Maltby. The northern section consists of a linear area through existing housing development which links to a public right of way running on the eastern edge of Maltby. It consists predominantly of grass land with some trees and a variety of garden boundary treatments. The green space boundary has been amended in one area to reflect the development of housing which has taken place. At its eastern edge the green space extends north and south, mainly in scrubland form, bordering and providing an element of buffering to Maltby Wood which lies to the east of Maltby built up area.</p> <p>The largest, central part of the UDP allocation is currently used as a recreation ground, allotments and for the storage of pigeon coups. The Green Space Audit rated this site as low quality / high value. An area further south is identified as low quality / low value as part of the Audit. There are a number of mature trees and hedgerow on the site that may offer potential wildlife habitat. To the north and south east the site adjoins Maltby Wood Local Wildlife Site. It is proposed as a residential allocation (H70). The development principles for this site state that a significant proportion (around 50%) would remain as Green Space to offset the loss of the existing provision and to provide a buffer to the pit tip which lies immediately to the east. It also identifies the need to maintain / increase buffers as the site lies between two parts of Local Wildlife Site (LWS055 Maltby Commons &amp; Woodlands); future development should incorporate and maintain semi-natural buffers and an uninterrupted corridor link between the adjacent LWS land sections.</p> <p>The Publication sites and Policies document proposed to retain the south-eastern corner of the site (rear of Lumley Arms,</p>				

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	<p>Tickhill Road) as green space; however as discussed at the hearing sessions relating to this settlement, the Council has considered the access requirements for H70 and is now proposing to include additional land within H70 to the east of the Lumley Arms including this area of green space and land adjoining it to the south-east (currently Green Belt). It is recognised that this includes land within Local Wildlife Site (LWS) 55 Maltby Commons and Woodland, and there is ancient woodland on site. The Habitat Survey identifies areas of biodiversity interest that require continued protection. Development may be possible immediately to the east of the built settlement (the Lumley Arms) (the west of the proposed extension) and the remaining part of the site should remain for green space. Development guidelines will be drafted to clarify this approach. The Council is therefore proposing a modification to the remaining area of Green Space to the south to enable access to H70 from Tickhill Road (details of the precise extent of this change are still being considered).</p> <p>The above indicates that whilst parts of the existing allocation are proposed for residential use there will still be substantial areas of green space retained which continue to provide a range of functions, including links from north to south both for recreational use and for biodiversity; it will also continue to have a buffer role between existing and proposed development and other land uses (including the colliery tip and Local Wildlife Site).</p>				
UG0275	Land south of Maltby Craggs School	Playing fields and wood to south. Urban greenspace allocation in the UDP.	Green Space and community use	Maltby	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The northern part of the UDP urban greenspace allocation has seen development of Maltby Craggs School and it is proposed to re-allocate this area for community facility use. To the south of the school land is in use for school sports pitches. The remainder of the site predominantly comprises an area of open space known as Cherry Tree Park. The Green Space Audit identified this as a low quality / high value space. It predominantly consists of mown and maintained grassland and a number of footpaths, and includes play facilities and a games court. The eastern part of the site consists of woodland with mature trees which may offer potential for wildlife habitat. The site includes several public rights of way.</p> <p>The site has significant value as a green space, playing a role in meeting the recreational and leisure needs of the community as well as providing a break in the urban area. It also has biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0276	Land east of Muglet Lane	Sports ground. Urban greenspace allocation in the UDP.	Green space; Green Belt	Maltby	No
<b>Reason for</b>	The majority of this site is in active use as a sports ground, including cricket and football pitches which are laid out. It also has				

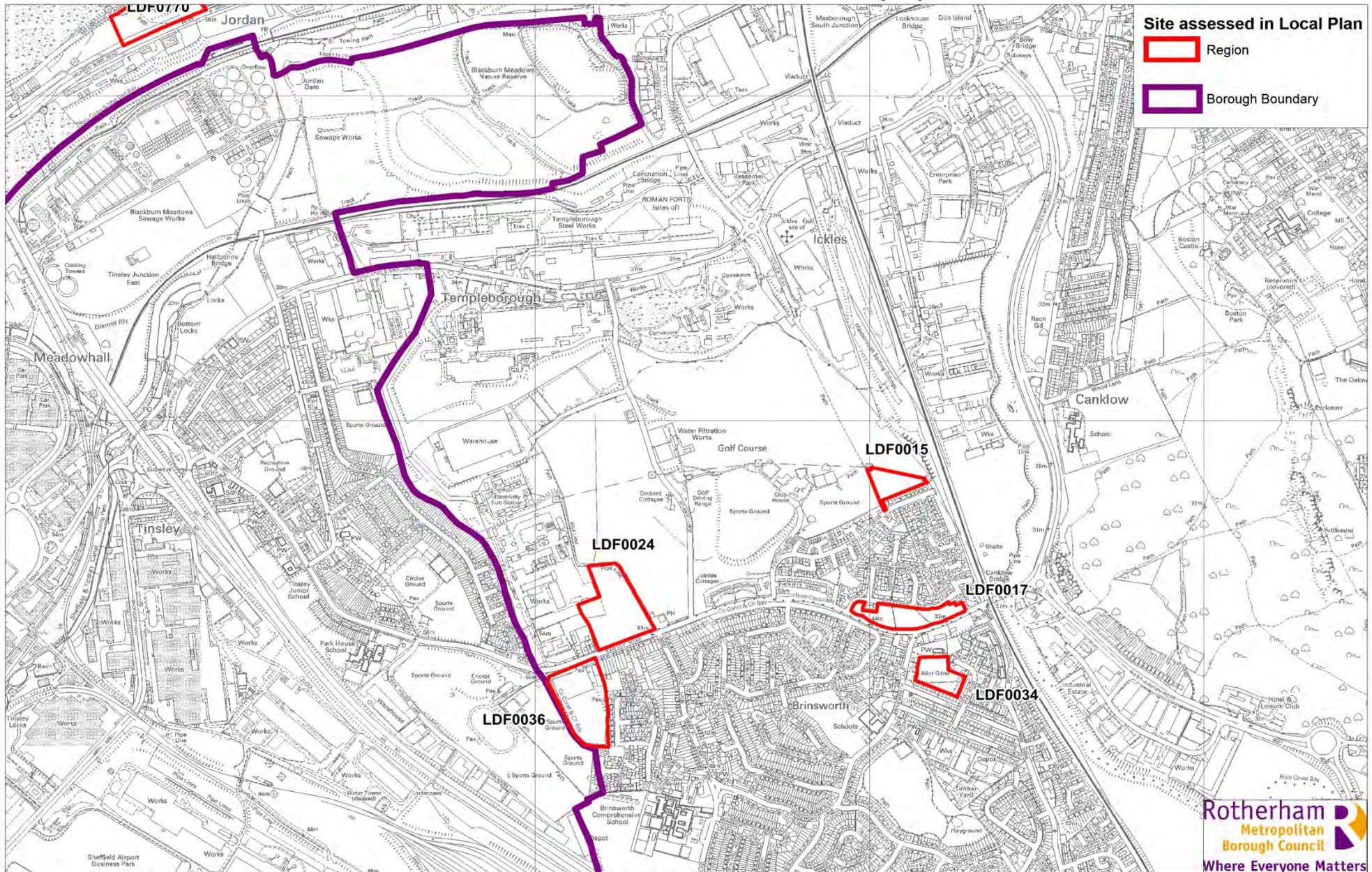
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<b>Allocation:</b>	<p>car parking and pavilion facilities. It is home to Maltby Main Football Club currently playing in the Northern Counties East League Premier Division. The north-western corner consists of a residential dwelling and small area of informal recreation area including footpaths. The site boundary includes several mature trees.</p> <p>The site provides both formal and informal recreation facilities meeting the recreational and leisure needs of the community.</p> <p>The southern boundary has been amended to provide a more logical and defensible boundary, following the footpath south of Outgang Lane; this has resulted in a small sliver of land being included within the Green Belt to the south.</p>				
UG0279	Land on Albert Street	Grassed area; Urban greenspace allocation in the UDP.	Green space	Maltby	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This area of informal open space consists of mowed grassland and a number of formal footpaths. The Green Space Audit identified this as a high quality / low value site. It is bounded on all sides by residential development and provides an amenity and informal recreation role and a break in the urban environment.</p>				
UG0280	Coronation Park	Urban greenspace allocation in the UDP.	Green space	Maltby	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>Coronation Park contains number of informal and formal recreation uses and open spaces. Owned and maintained by Rotherham Borough Council it has a children's play area, fitness apparatus and MUGA (multi use games area). It includes bowling greens and tennis courts which are now the responsibility of Maltby Town Council. The site includes areas of maintained grassland and varying borders, some of which include mature trees. The south-eastern part of the site includes more mature trees which may offer potential for wildlife habitat. The Green Space Audit identifies this as high quality / high value area.</p> <p>The site has significant value as a green space, playing a role in meeting the recreational and leisure needs of the community as well as providing a break in the urban area. It also has biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0281	Land at end of Church Lane	Allotments. Urban greenspace allocation in the UDP.	Green space	Maltby	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site comprises allotment gardens. To the south and east the site borders woodland with mature trees which offer potential for wildlife habitat. The site continues to have value as a green space, meeting the recreational and leisure needs of the community, and some potential for wildlife habitat.</p>				

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UG0306	Land south of Rotherham Road	Allotments. Urban greenspace allocation in the UDP, with part within a business use allocation.	Green space	Maltby	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site comprises allotment gardens which continue to be in use. The southern boundary of the site includes a number of mature trees and Maltby Dike which have potential to provide wildlife habitats.</p> <p>The north-western corner of the site was allocated for business use in the UDP, reflecting a planned road straightening scheme which would have included part of the allotments. This scheme has not come forward and is no longer programmed. The Sites and Policies document therefore amends the green space boundary to reflect the extent of the existing allotment gardens and follow existing site boundaries.</p> <p>The site continues to have value as a green space, meeting the recreational and leisure needs of the community, and some potential for wildlife habitat.</p>				
UG0319	Land east of Braithwell Road (The Muddies)	Residential allocation in the UDP	Local Wildlife Site; Green Space	Maltby	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site was allocated as a residential development site (H25) in the adopted Unitary Development Plan and has been considered as part of local plan preparation (LDF276). The site is an area of undeveloped scrub land with some young trees, hedgerow and shrubs in and around the site. It is bound by residential use on three sides. The Green Space Audit rated this as a high quality / high value site. It is a Local Wildlife Site (LWS 57 The Muddies) and presence of protected species has been identified. There are informal footpaths across the site indicating its use by the local community.</p> <p>Given the above and the site's value as a wildlife site (potentially of such significance to be considered for designation as a Local Nature Reserve or Site of Special Scientific Interest), the existing protected species on site, and its high greenspace value, it is proposed to allocate the site as green space.</p> <p>The site has significant value as a green space, including its wildlife value and biodiversity habitat functions, and plays a role in meeting the amenity needs of the community as well as providing a break in the urban area.</p>				
UG0325	Strip of land adjacent	Woods; Green Belt	Green Space	Maltby	No

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	to Maltby Colliery				
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>In proposing to allocate land at Maltby Colliery for development and remove it from the Green Belt (E23) the Sites and Policies document proposes a Green Belt boundary along Tickhill Road (considered to be sensible and defensible). An area between Tickhill Road and allocation E23 is proposed to be allocated as green space.</p> <p>This area consists of woodland containing mature trees, and forms part of the Maltby Commons and Woodlands Local Wildlife site (LWS55). The site has significant value as a green space, including its wildlife value and biodiversity habitat functions.</p>				
UG0338	Land at end of Russett Court	Residential allocation	Green Space	Maltby	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>To the north this area includes a small area of informal open space comprising grassland and a footpath. The remainder currently appears to be part of the curtilage of Lilly Hall Farm with restricted access from Russett Court. It comprises an area of natural grassland and a number of mature trees bound the site on two sides which may harbour some biodiversity interest. The site has been assessed as part of local plan preparation (LDF421) which noted that this is an area of natural grassland that contributes to a break in the built form and it is understood that this greenspace was created as part of the overall design scheme for the adjoining residential development established via RB1997/1072. It currently provides amenity open space which could be improved in quality in the future. It is part of a wider network/corridor of green space sites which provide linkages from the countryside into the urban area of Maltby, and in addition it has value in terms of amenity and potential biodiversity habitat functions.</p>				
UG0339	Land off Amorys Holt Way	Residential allocation	Green Space	Maltby	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The site is allocated for residential use in the UDP and has been assessed as part of local plan preparation (LDF421). It is an open grass area that has been retained for amenity green space purposes as part of the development of UDP allocated site H24. The Green Space Audit identified this as a high quality / low value site. It plays a role in meeting the recreational and amenity needs of the community as well as providing a break in the urban area.</p>				



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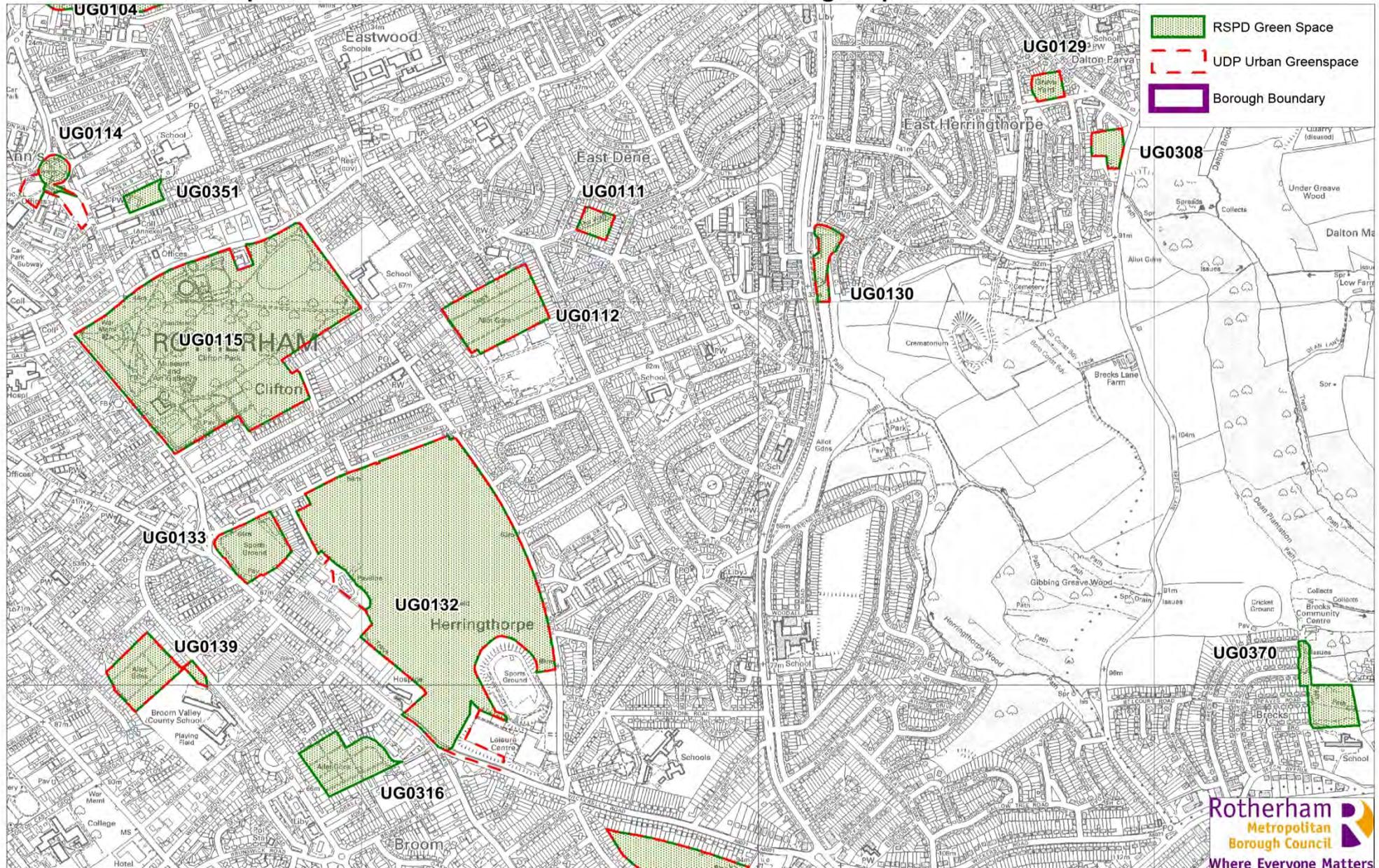
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UG0189	Brinsworth Golf Course	Golf course and sports ground. Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists predominantly of a golf course and sports ground including indoor and outdoor sports and recreational uses: formally laid out cricket and football pitches, bowling green, squash and badminton courts, sports hall and gym, and golf driving range. It includes a social club and function venue. The site includes areas of maintained and unmaintained grassland, trees, shrubs and hedgerows.</p> <p>To the west is an area of heavy vegetation including mature trees and shrubs. This was considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0024) where it was recognised that there may be biodiversity interest given the existing use and recommended that it remain allocated as urban greenspace. To the east an area of unused land adjoining the golf course was also considered (LDF0015). This consists of grassland, shrubs and trees. A number of constraints to development were identified and it was concluded that retention as Urban Greenspace is the most appropriate option.</p> <p>The site performs an important role meeting the recreational and amenity needs of the community, and has biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area. It provides a significant break in the urban environment and an irreplaceable amenity buffer between the residential area to the south and business and industrial uses to the north, east and west.</p>				
UG0190	Strip of land north of Bawtry Road, Brinsworth	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This area of amenity open space sloping down towards Bawtry Road consists of grassland with some mature trees and footpaths, several of which provide links from the residential areas to bus stops on Bawtry Road. A community centre is located on the north-western part of the site. The site was assessed as low quality / high value as part of the Green Space Audit. The site was considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0017) and concluded that the site should remain allocated as Urban Greenspace.</p> <p>The site plays an informal amenity role for the wider community, a break in the urban environment and has some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area. It also forms an irreplaceable amenity buffer between the residential area to the north and Bawtry Road.</p>				

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UG0191	Land east of Brinsworth Lane	Allotments. Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site consists of allotments which are in use and meeting the needs of the community. The site also provides a break in the urban environment. The site was considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0034) and noted that it is a popular and well-used allotment garden site which is providing a much needed facility, concluding that the site should remain allocated as Urban Greenspace.				
UG0192	Land off Field View, Brinsworth	Recreation Ground. Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of a recreation ground with sports pitches (3 football pitches with evidence of formal marking out), playing field with mown grass and children's play area and equipment, games court, footpaths, and bowling green. Parking and pavilion facilities are also provided on site. A public right of way runs along part of the eastern boundary. The site was assessed as high quality / high value as part of the Green Space Audit. There are some mature trees on site which offer some potential wildlife habitats.</p> <p>The site plays an important role in meeting the amenity, formal and informal recreation needs of the community. It provides a break in the urban environment and has some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0193	Long strip of land along River Rother	Urban Greenspace; Industrial and business use	Green Space; residential use; business use.	Rother	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This linear Green Space provides a series of spaces along the river corridor which links the urban area to the countryside.</p> <p>The northern section includes landscaping in and around Ickles Roundabout and underpass (assessed as high quality / low value in the Green Space Audit), and land between Centenary Way and the river (assessed as low quality / high value in the Green Space Audit), including maintained and unmaintained grassland, shrubs and trees, and footpaths. It forms part of the green character of the Centenary Way gateway into Rotherham.</p> <p>South of the river there is an area of land between Centenary Way and Canklow Road identified as high quality / high value in the Green Space Audit. This area consists of mature trees, shrubs, and areas of maintained and unmaintained grassland and</p>				

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	<p>multi-use games area. It also includes formally laid out football pitches, a games court and pavilion. It provides an irreplaceable amenity buffer between the residential area of Canklow and Centenary Way, and the industrial uses further to the west. Immediately south the Green Space allocation is proposed to be amended to exclude land which has been developed for a KFC drive-through. This small area will be allocated as part of the adjoining residential allocation.</p> <p>In this area the allocation extends west to covering the area between the river and Centenary Way, and bounded to the west by industrial development. This is primarily vegetated with trees, shrubs, unmaintained grassland and some areas of maintained grass. It forms part of the irreplaceable amenity buffer between the residential area of Canklow and Centenary Way and the industrial uses to the west.</p> <p>South of Wood Lane the Green Space consists of trees, shrubs, unmaintained grassland along the river and Centenary Way corridor down to Canklow Roundabout. Part of this area falls within the Canklow Wood Local Wildlife Site. Near the roundabout the UDP allocation is proposed to be amended to exclude land which has been developed as a McDonalds restaurant and drive-through. This area is proposed to be allocated for business use alongside the adjacent garage. To the west a small area of land allocated for business and industrial use between Centenary Way and the river is proposed to be re-allocated to Green Space, recognising constraints of access, uncertain development prospects and the existing character of maintained and unmaintained grassland. Trees and shrubs. It is considered that this functions as part of the wider linear Green Space corridor and as part of the irreplaceable amenity buffer function between the residential area of Canklow and Centenary Way and the industrial uses to the west.</p> <p>The southern section of the allocation is a linear area of land bounded by the river to the east and residential areas to the west. It includes the railway line on the western boundary. This area consists of mature trees, shrubs, and areas of unmaintained grassland. Amongst other things this area performs an irreplaceable amenity buffer function between the residential and industrial uses in this area. It is also within an Air Quality Management Area.</p> <p>There are a number of formal and informal footpaths within the allocation, including a public right of way running along the western boundary of much of the allocation.</p> <p>This allocation performs numerous roles throughout its length, including meeting the amenity and recreational needs of the community, providing an irreplaceable amenity buffer between sensitive and other land uses. It includes areas providing biodiversity habitat opportunities for wildlife and vegetation. Its linear nature forms a corridor from the urban areas to the surrounding countryside. It provides a significant role as a break in the urban environment and contributing to the character of the area as a green entrance route into Rotherham along Centenary Way.</p>				

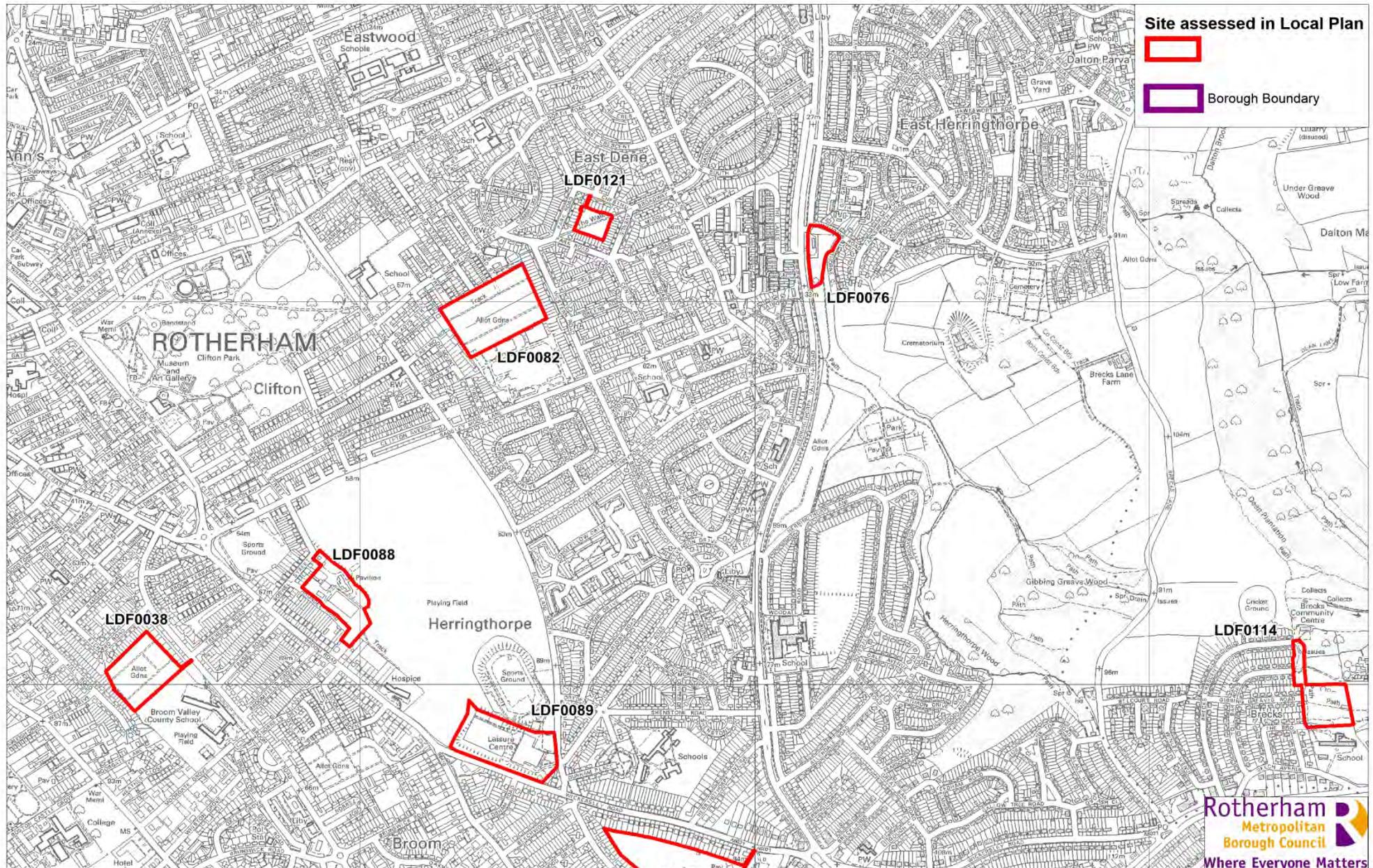
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UG0200	Strip of land on West Bawtry Road, front of Holiday Inn	Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Greenspace	Rother	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This is an area of informal amenity space / highways verge between Centenary Way and the Swallow Hotel, consisting of maintained grassland. This contributes to the setting of the hotel and protects site lines for the hotel entrance.				
UG0237	Land south of Bawtry Road, Brinsworth	Sports Ground. Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Greenspace	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site is a sports ground consisting of sports pitches. It contains some mature trees / shrubs in border areas which could provide biodiversity habitat opportunities. It was considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0036) which recommended that it should remain as Urban Greenspace as at that time it was operational. Since this assessment was made the club running the site has closed; it was previously a privately run sporting facility providing a variety of sports opportunities to residents of Rotherham and Sheffield. The site could provide these facilities again in the future and the Council has not received any representations seeking a change of use or allocation of the site. It also continues to provide some biodiversity habitat opportunities serving the wider area. It also contributes as part of an irreplaceable amenity buffer function between nearby residential areas and Bawtry Road.				

# Areas of Green Space > 0.4 hectares - Rotherham Urban Area Herringthorpe and East Dene



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UG0111	Enclosed area of land, The Walk, East Dene	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This area of amenity open space, bounded on all sides by residential gardens, consists of mown grass with a multi use games area with children's play equipment and a games court. A footpath runs through the site. It was assessed as high quality / high value in the Green space Audit. The site has been considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0121), which concluded that in addition to demolition being required to enable construction of appropriate access it is a valuable open space for local people and should be retained.</p> <p>The site plays an important role in meeting the amenity and recreation needs of the community, and provides a break in the urban environment.</p>				
UG0112	Land north of Badsley Moor Lane	Allotments. Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of existing allotment gardens, with some trees, shrubs and hedgerow along the borders which offer potential for wildlife habitats. These remain in use and provide for the needs of the community, as well as providing a break in the urban environment. The site has been considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0082), which concluded that is a well-run and popular allotment site within a densely populated residential area. It provides an important leisure facility and a haven for wildlife close to where people live. It should remain in its present use.</p>				
UG0114	Land at St Ann's Roundabout	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space; town centre; community facility	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of landscaping associated with the St Ann's Roundabout and underpass. The RSPD proposes to amend the boundary to exclude land which has now been subject to development (part being re-allocated to retail use as part of the town centre, associated with the Tesco development, and part allocated for community use to reflect the development of the Myplace building). The site consists of maintained grassland with some trees offering some potential for wildlife habitats. It plays a role in the informal amenity of the area, contributing to the character and environment of the roundabout and underpass as well as some biodiversity habitat opportunities serving the wider area.</p>				
UG0115	Clifton Park	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This is a large park providing multiple uses and activities at the heart of the urban area. It includes open areas of grassland, flower beds and landscaped gardens, trees, shrubs, footpaths, tennis courts, bowling greens, skate park, water fountains and water play area, children's play area, mini golf, fun park with rides, games and amusements, Clifton Park museum, café,</p>				

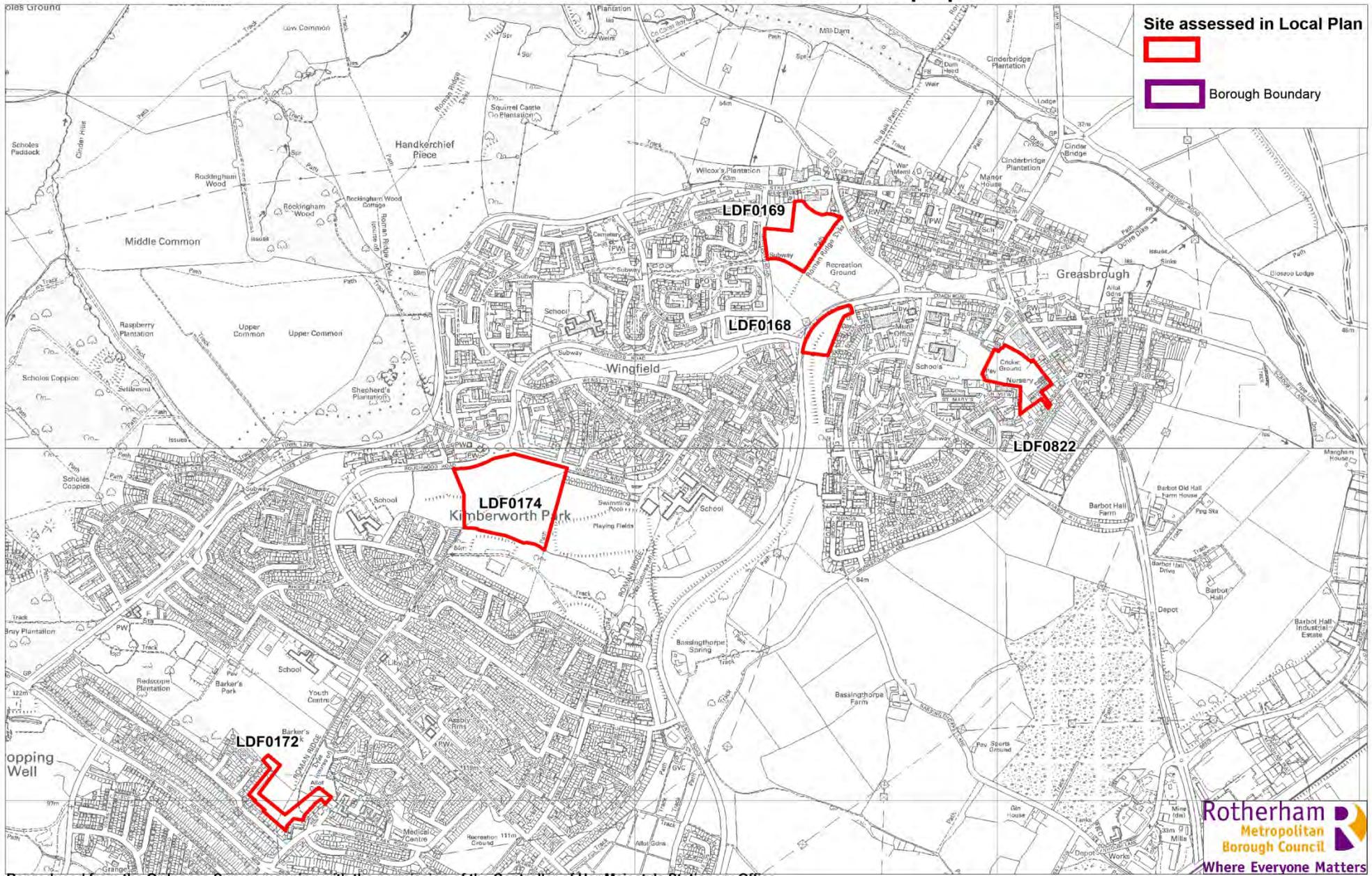
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	bandstand, and parking areas. It hosts the annual Rotherham show. It was assessed as high quality / high value in the Green Space Audit.  This is a significant green space providing multiple uses and meeting the formal and informal amenity, recreation and leisure needs of the borough. It provides a break in the urban environment; contributes to the aesthetic form of the area and includes biodiversity habitat opportunities serving the wider area.				
UG0129	Land off Hawksworth Road, East Herringthorpe	Graveyard. Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	The site functions as a cemetery and will not be developed in the future. It includes some mature trees which offer wildlife habitat opportunities. It was assessed as high quality / low value in the Green Space Audit.				
UG0130	Strip of land east of Herringthorpe Valley Road	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site consists of sloping amenity open space and landscaping of maintained and unmaintained grassland, mature trees and shrubs which offer potential for wildlife habitats. It is part of a site which has been considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0076) which concluded that the site should remain as Green Space. Much of the site is included within a wider area assessed in the Green Space Audit as high quality / high value.  It plays a role in the informal amenity of the area, contributing to the green character and environment along Herringthorpe Valley Road as well as providing biodiversity habitat opportunities serving the wider area.				
UG0132	Herringthorpe Playing Fields	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space; residential allocations	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This is a substantial area of playing fields with some mature trees on site which offer some potential wildlife habitats. It includes areas of formally laid out sports pitches (football, rugby pitches and cricket). It was assessed as high quality / high value in the Green Space Audit. To the west and south the RSPD proposes to amend the boundary slightly as part of allocating residential development sites H29 and H30 (these areas considered as sites LDF0088 and LDF0089 included the pavilion - now demolished - and not used for recreation purposes, and a small area of recreation land).  The site provides an important role in meeting the formal and informal amenity and recreational needs of the immediate and wider community, providing a break in the urban area and providing biodiversity habitat opportunities serving the wider area.				

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UG0133	Sports Stadium (Rugby Union)	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site consists of a sports stadium which is home to Rotherham Titans rugby union team who play in the RFU Championship and Rotherham Town Cricket Club, who play in the ECB Yorkshire League and South Yorkshire League. Consisting of cricket and rugby pitches and associated club and spectator facilities, this plays an important role in meeting the leisure and recreational needs of the borough.				
UG0139	Land adjacent to Broom Valley School	Allotments. Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of existing allotment gardens with a small area of amenity space associated with the adjacent school and fronting Broom Valley Road of maintained grassland and mature trees which provide opportunities for wildlife habitats. The allotment part of the site was considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0038) which concluded that this is a popular and well-used allotment garden site which is providing a much needed facility and that it should be retained as allotment gardens Urban Greenspace.</p> <p>The site contributes towards meeting the amenity and recreational needs of the community, as well as providing a break in the urban environment and biodiversity habitat opportunities serving the wider area.</p>				
UG0308	Land west of Brecks Lane, East Herringthorpe	Urban Greenspace in UDP; residential use	Green Space	No	Yes – extend Green Space allocation to include land currently washed over for residential use
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The current UDP Urban Greenspace allocation is part of a wider area of amenity open space that is washed over for residential use, with no discernible boundary between allocations. It is part of a site which has been considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0082). This concluded that the existing allocations should remain. A wider area (with the exception of the remainder of the field) was considered as part of the Green Space Audit and rated as high quality / low value.</p> <p>In reconsidering this area the Council considers that Green Space allocation should be extended to include the remainder of the amenity open space and adjacent highways verge land (mainly consisting of unmaintained grassland, trees and shrubs on steep sloping land and included in the Green Space Audit). This wider area forms part of the character of the area as well as providing for informal amenity and recreational needs of the community, provides biodiversity habitat opportunities serving the wider area, and acts as a green link to the Green Belt and countryside to the east.</p>				

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UG0316	Land to rear of Broom Court	Allotments. Mixed use	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of allotment gardens allocated for mixed use in the UDP and assessed as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0039). This assessment notes that this is a popular and well-used allotment garden site which is providing a much needed facility. Half of the original allotment site has been developed for housing (Oxley Court) with the understanding that the remainder would be retained for allotment use. The RSPD therefore proposes that this remaining allotment area should be allocated as Green Space. Part of the site includes unmaintained grassland with some mature trees providing opportunities for wildlife habitats.</p> <p>The site contributes towards meeting the amenity and recreational needs of the community, as well as providing a break in the urban environment and biodiversity habitat opportunities serving the wider area.</p>				
UG0351	Land off St Leonards Road adjacent St Ann's J&I School	Allotments. Community Facilities	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site has permission (RB2014/1107; now implemented) for removal of the existing building and use of land to form allotment plots with sheds, car parking area and footpaths. A corner of the site currently densely vegetated with trees and shrubs is to remain, and provides opportunities for wildlife habitats.</p> <p>The site contributes towards meeting the amenity and recreational needs of the community, as well as providing a break in the urban environment and biodiversity habitat opportunities serving the wider area.</p>				
UG0370	Land at end of Gibbing Greaves Road, Brecks	Mainly wooded. Residential in UDP	Green Space	Thrybergh	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of a naturally re-vegetated site on the edge of Brecks Plantation. It includes unmaintained grassland, shrubs and mature trees providing opportunities for wildlife habitats. It has been considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0114). It concluded that the site should be re-allocated to Green Space. This decision reflects the extent of the deciduous woodland designated by Natural England and the adjacent Local Wildlife Site (ID63 Listerdale Wood). It recognises the potential impact any new development would have on Listerdale Woodland.</p> <p>The site provides biodiversity habitat opportunities serving the wider area and contributes towards providing a buffer between the residential development to the west and the Local Wildlife Site to the east, as well as contributing to this break in the urban environment and a green link to the adjacent Green Belt and countryside.</p>				



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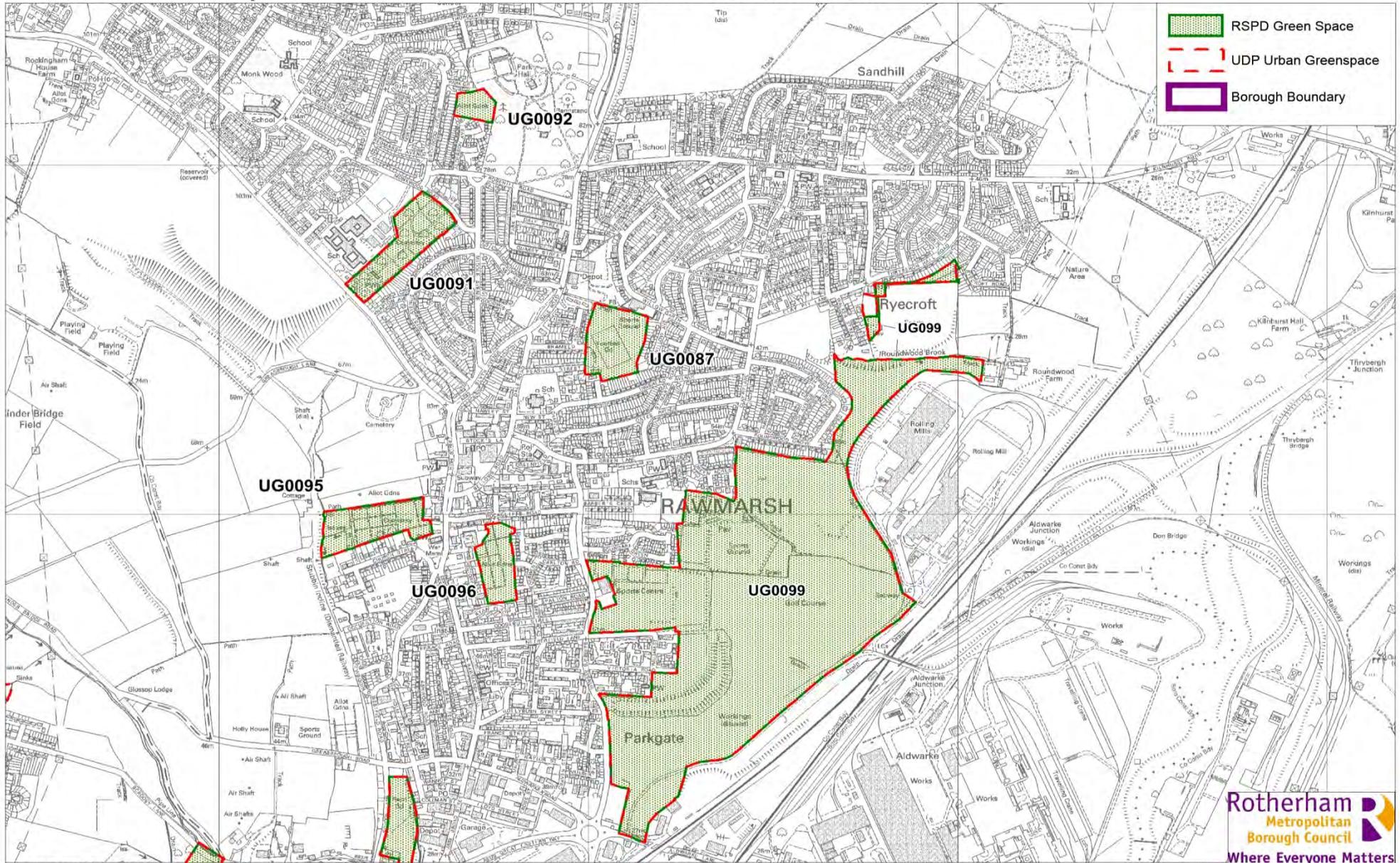
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UG0103	Land south of Scrooby Lane, Greasbrough	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	Wentworth	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site is part of land which is an animal/wildlife centre with associated car parking, picnic play area and animal field shelters. The remainder of the centre falls within the Bassingthorpe Farm Strategic Allocation. The site includes grassland, trees and shrubs at parts of the border which provide potential for wildlife habitats. A previous application for residential development on part of the site (RB2004/0121) was refused on appeal. The Inspector's report recognised that west of the existing development comprises attractive open land which is of importance from a recreation, conservation and amenity point of view. The Council continue to believe that the site fulfils these roles, including providing some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.				
UG0150	Large area following major roads through Greasbrough and Kimberworth Park	Contains recreation grounds, allotments, woods and other. Urban Greenspace, residential in the UDP	Green Space; residential	Wentworth	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This is a significant green infrastructure corridor providing a linked series of green spaces throughout the heart of Rotherham urban area. This record relates to the northern part of UGO0150; the southern part is assessed in the Rotherham Urban Area Town Centre, Masbrough and Kimberworth section of this report.</p> <p>East of Fenton Road this area includes land assessed as low quality / high value in the Green Space Audit, and part assessed as low quality / low value. It consists of maintained and unmaintained grassland, part of which constitutes highway verge, along with mature trees and shrubs. Part of the site is identified as a Local Wildlife Site (67, Bassingthorpe Spring &amp; Hudson's Rough). In this location Bassingthorpe Spring is also identified as Ancient Woodland. The RSPD proposes to amend the Green Space boundary in this area to include land identifies for residential development in the UDP, but which adjoins the Ancient Woodland and contains mature trees, shrubs and grassland. This will provide a buffer between proposed residential site H3 to the east and the Ancient Woodland. Further north part of this area has been considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0168). The assessment recognised that it forms part of an amenity greenspace that contributes greatly to the character of the area. It proposed that the site remain allocated as Urban Greenspace.</p> <p>To the west the allocation extends from Fenton Road across to Kimberworth Park and consists of maintained and</p>				

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	<p>unmaintained grassland, part of which constitutes highway verge, along with mature trees and shrubs. It includes Public Rights of Way as well as other informal footpaths. The site includes a section of the Roman Ridge, part of an Iron Age earthwork. It includes land assessed as low quality / high value in the Green Space Audit and land which is part of a Local Wildlife Site (67, Bassingthorpe Spring &amp; Hudson's Rough). Kimberworth Park consists of open recreation land of maintained grass, along with areas laid out as formal sports pitches. Part of this area has been considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0174) which recognised that in the Green Space Audit it was assessed as high quality / high value and given its recreational value the Green Space allocation should be retained.</p> <p>The northern extent of the allocation consists of recreation ground north of Fenton Road, assessed as low quality / high value in the Green Space Audit. It consists of maintained grassland with shrubs, hedgerow and mature trees in places, children's play area, and footpaths including a Public Right of Way. The site includes a section of the Roman Ridge, part of an Iron Age earthwork. Part of the site has been considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0169) which recognised its recreational value and recommended that the Green Space allocation should be retained.</p> <p>The Green Space extends west along Roughwood Road, comprising amenity open space of maintained grassland and mature trees. This was assessed as low quality / high value in the Green Space Audit. Further north it extends to the east to include land north of Fenton Road (assessed as low quality / low value in the Green Space Audit) and Scrooby Street. North of Scrooby Street it includes Greasbrough Park assessed as high quality / high value in the Green Space Audit. The park includes a bowling green, amenity grassland and children's play area, footpaths, trees and shrubs. North of Harold Croft part of the Green Space allocation is proposed to be amended to exclude land developed as a dwelling. Land to the eastern extent of the UDP allocation is proposed to be re-allocated from Urban Greenspace to residential as part of allocation H2.</p> <p>This is part of a continuous swathe of greenspace that runs along Fenton Road and is characteristic of the area. Together these areas provide a linked green corridor performing numerous functions including amenity space providing for recreation and leisure needs, areas providing an irreplaceable amenity buffer function between land uses (such as between residential areas and road infrastructure), and land with biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area. They also contribute to providing a break in the urban area and contributing to the form and character of the area, and in particular form part of a wider network linking the urban area with the countryside.</p>				
UG0155	Barkers Park	Playing fields / sports facilities / wooded areas. Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Green Space	No	No

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<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>Barkers Park consists of amenity open space of grassland laid out with formal football and cricket pitches and a multi use games area. It includes other open amenity grassland, mature trees, shrubs, landscaping, seating and footpaths including Public Rights of Way. This was assessed as high quality / high value in the Green Space Audit. At the south-east corner the site comprises allotment gardens which are in use. Part of the site has been considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0172) which recognised constraints including part of the roman ridge (Iron Age earthworks) and power lines. It concluded that the site remain allocated as Urban Greenspace. Greenspaces Team advised that Kimberworth Park Allotments are full, with a strong waiting list, the site is looking to expand; four sites nearby all have waiting lists. Strong recommendation to retain as allotments.</p> <p>The site is meeting the amenity, recreation and leisure needs of the community along with providing a break in the urban environment and biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0156	Land south of Oaks Lane	Urban Greenspace	Green Space	Wentworth	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This is an area of grassed amenity open space with some mature trees and a footpath. As well as providing for informal amenity use it is part of the wider green corridor setting along Roughwood Road and Oaks Lane and contributes to their character and aesthetic. It was assessed as low quality / high value in the Green Space Audit. The site is meeting the informal amenity needs of the community along with providing a break in the urban environment and biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area. It also places a site specific role as part of the green character along the road corridors. In conjunction with UGO0150 it forms part of a linear corridor of spaces linking the urban area to the countryside to the north-west.</p>				
UG0157	Greasbrough Chapel and Cemetery	Urban Greenspace	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The site functions as a cemetery and will not be developed in the future. The site was assessed as high quality / low value in the Green Space Audit.</p>				
UG0158	Land east of Greasbrough Primary School	Former cricket ground	Residential development site (H5)	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of a former cricket ground which is no longer in use and appears not to be maintained, now consisting of unmown grass with trees and shrubs at the borders. It is part of a site considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0822) and is proposed as a residential development site in recognition of its positive attributes such as its relationship to the existing built settlement, part of the site being previously developed and it meeting the settlements role established in the Spatial</p>				

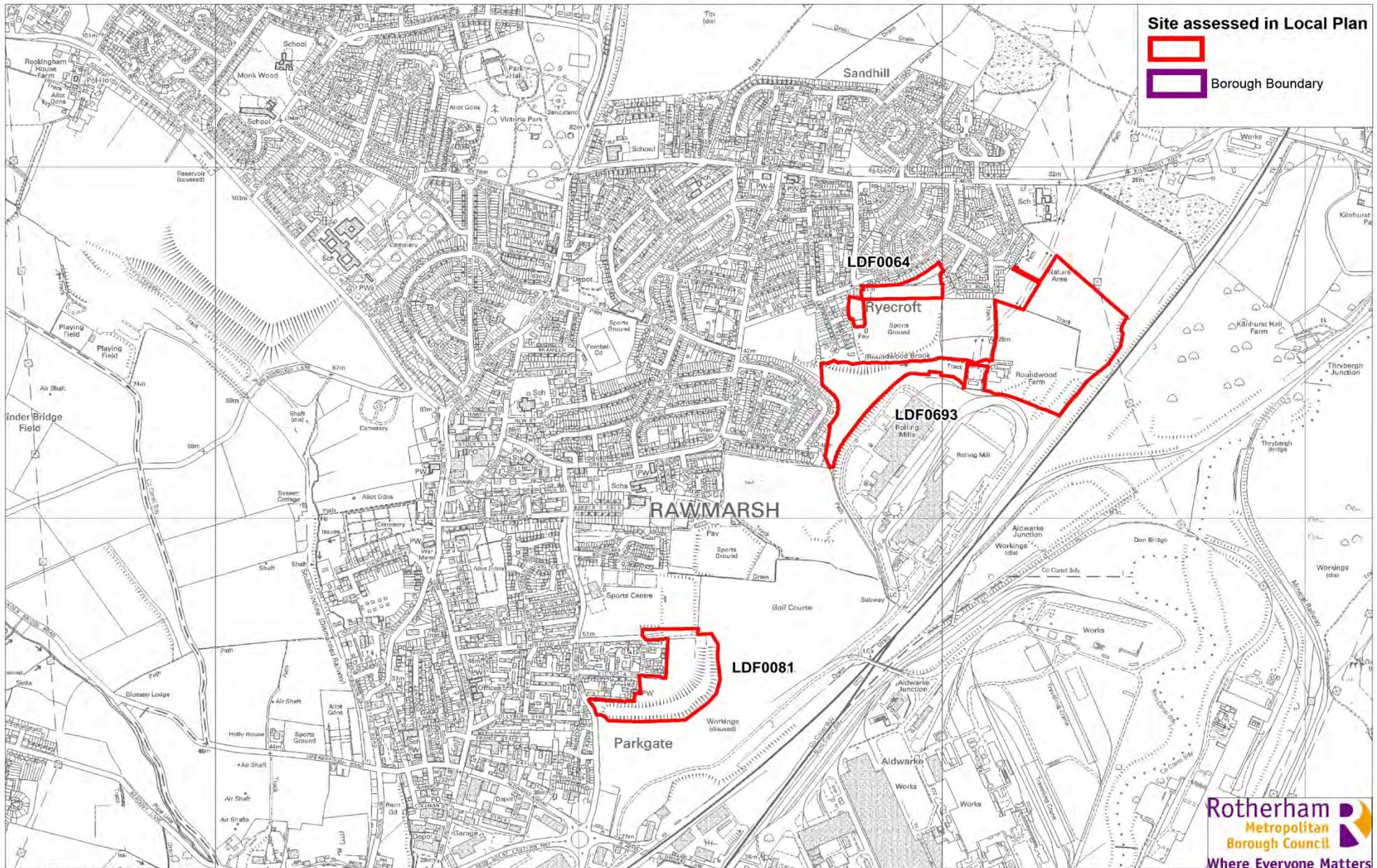
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	Strategy.				
UG0159	Land south of Munsbrough Rise	Urban greenspace	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site consists of amenity open space which appears to have been provided as part of the adjacent residential development. It consists of maintained grassland with a number of mature trees which provide opportunities for wildlife habitats. It was assessed as low quality / high value in the Green Space Audit as part of the wider amenity space and landscaping associated with the housing. It is bounded by residential development and provides for the informal needs of the community as well as providing a break in the urban environment and some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.				

# Areas of Green Space > 0.4 hectares - Rotherham Urban Area Rawmarsh



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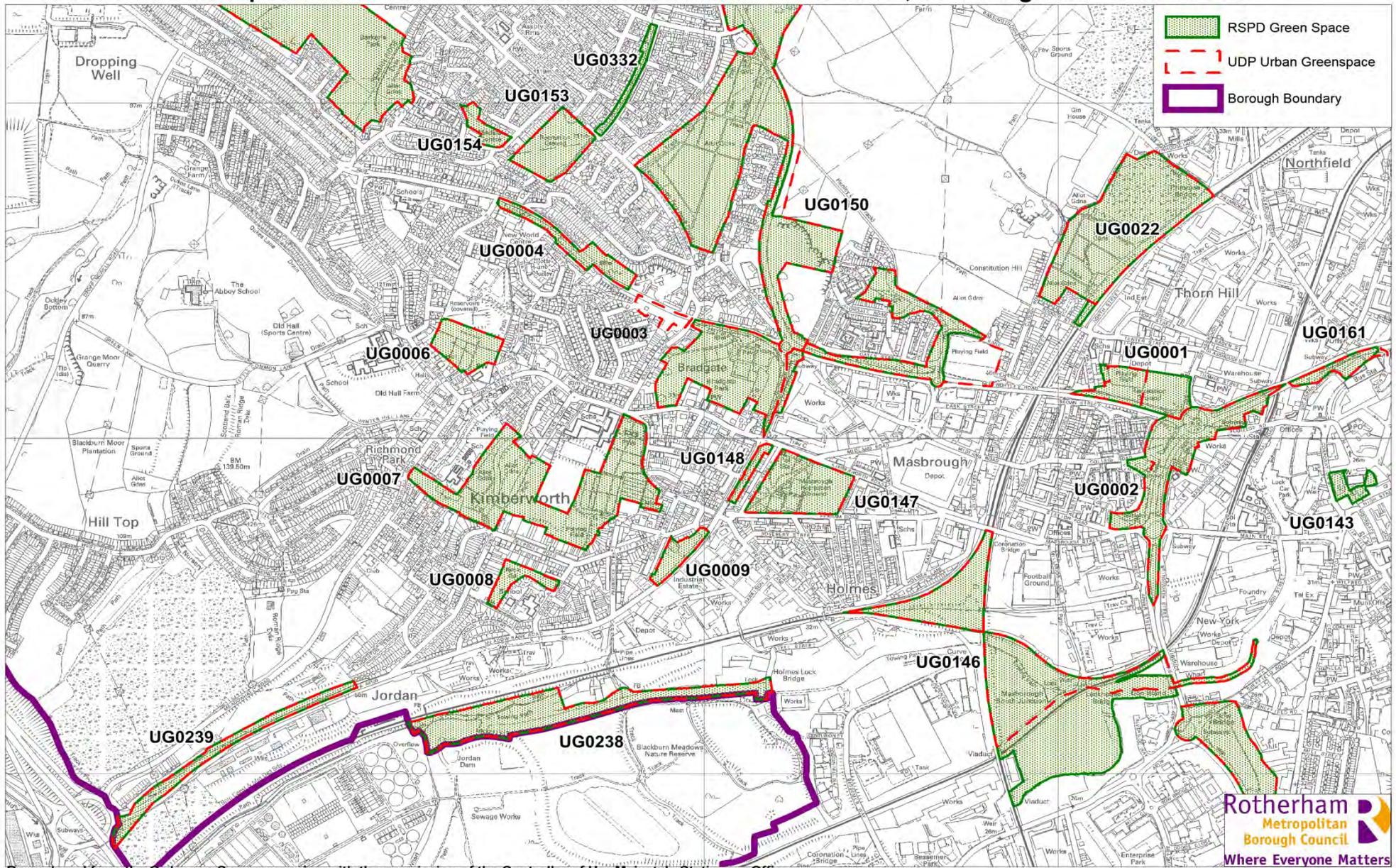
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UG0087	Land end of Peashill Street, Rawmarsh	Sports ground. Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of a recreation ground with football pitch laid out. There are some trees / shrubs around the site border which may offer potential wildlife habitats. The site was assessed as low quality / high value as part of the Green Space Audit.</p> <p>A small area of the site to the north was considered as part of the Local Plan process as part of a site including the social club to the north (LDG0063). This assessment recognised the value of the area of urban greenspace and the fact that the Sports &amp; Social Club is currently allocated residential, and proposed to retain these allocations.</p> <p>The site continues to contribute towards meeting the amenity and recreational needs of the community along with providing a break in the urban area and having some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0091	Chapel and cemetery adjacent to Rawmarsh Secondary School	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	The site functions as a cemetery and will not be developed in the future. Mature trees are evident within the site. The site was assessed as low quality / high value as part of the Green Space Audit.				
UG0092	Allotments off Park Grove, Rawmarsh	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site consists of allotment gardens which are in use. As such it plays a role in meeting the recreational needs of the community.				
UG0095	Cemetery rear of Church Street	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	Wentworth	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	The site functions as a cemetery and will not be developed in the future. It contains mature trees which provide biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area. The western boundary of the site falls within the New Stubbin Colliery & Stubbin Incline Local Wildlife Site. The site was assessed as low quality / high value as part of the Green Space Audit.				
UG0096	Vessey Street allotments	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site consists of allotment gardens which are in use. As such it plays a role in meeting the recreational needs of the				

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<b>Allocation:</b>	community.				
UG0099	Roundwood Golf Course	Golf course / sports fields. Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space; residential use	No	Yes – amend the Green Space boundary to remain as shown in the UDP and not re-allocate part of the site for residential use.
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of a number of adjacent sport and recreation facilities. It includes a golf course, bowling greens, 6 formally laid out football pitches, and pavilion. There are areas of maintained and unmaintained grassland, mature trees and shrubs. To the north it includes an area of grassland with some mature trees and shrubs which appears to be private and fenced off, and which has been considered (as part of a wider site) as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0693). The assessment noted a number of constraints to development including the fact the Urban Greenspace element of the site is extremely steep and would be difficult to build on. It concluded that the existing green belt and urban greenspace allocations should remain as they are.</p> <p>Part of the site has been assessed as low quality / high value in the Green Space Audit (north of Netherfield Lane). A separate area was assessed as high quality / high value (east and south of Victoria Road) and was also considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0081). This concluded that this site should retain its existing Urban Greenspace allocation.</p> <p>The northern part of the site consists of two parcels of green space to the north and west forming part of a recreation ground the majority of which is within the Green Belt. Part of the site was considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0064) and it was concluded that the existing allocations should remain. The site was assessed as low quality / high value in the Green Space Audit. The area includes hardstanding for parking. The RSPD proposed an amendment to the green space allocation to exclude an area of land south of the public house and to wash it over for residential use. Having reconsidered this site the Council considers that this area, consisting of unmaintained scrubland with mature trees and shrubs, continues to play a role as part of the wider green space (providing opportunities for wildlife habitats) and should remain within the green space allocation. It is proposed to amend the boundary to retain the Green Space allocation as currently shown in the adopted UDP.</p> <p>The sites overall perform a range of important roles in meeting the recreational and amenity needs of the community, and biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area. They provide a significant break in the urban environment and a buffer between the residential areas to the west and industrial uses (primarily the steel works) to the east). They contribute to defining the character of this area and provide a green link from the urban area out to the countryside to the north-east.</p>				

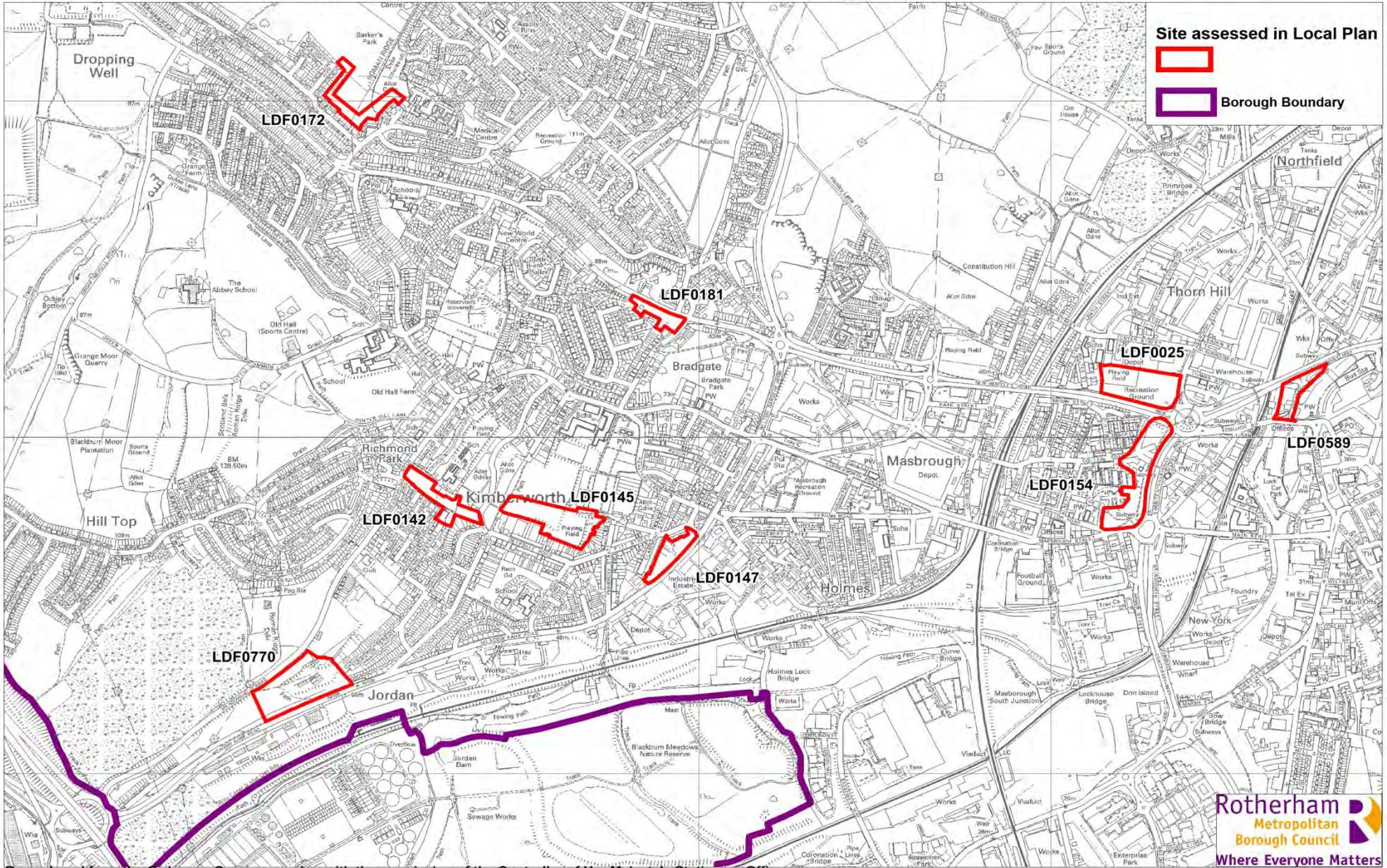
# Areas of Green Space > 0.4 hectares - Rotherham Urban Area Town Centre, Masbrough and Kimberworth



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UG0001	Corner of Greasbrough Street and New Wortley Road	Recreation Ground. Urban Greenspace and Community Use	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The eastern part of the site is allocated currently for community use (leisure) and consists of a recreation ground of mown grass and football pitch. To the west the site is unmown grassland which was formerly school playing field. The site is partly bounded by hedgerow and includes mature trees and shrubs which offer potential for wildlife habitats. It also includes highways verge and footpaths along New Wortley Road and Greasbrough Street.</p> <p>The majority of the site has been assessed as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0025) and is not proposed for development. The former school site to the north-west is allocated for residential use. The RSPD proposes to allocate the former playing field, recreation ground and an area of unmown grass within the former school site together as a single Green Space allocation.</p> <p>The majority of the site was assessed as low quality / high value as part of the Green Space audit. The site has value as a green space, playing a role in meeting the amenity and recreational needs of the area, as well as providing a break in the urban area and contributing to its character. It also has some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area. It also provides an irreplaceable amenity buffer function between residential and other uses to the north-west and the significant road infrastructure to the south and east.</p>				
UG0002	Strip of land following Centenary Way	Urban Greenspace	Green Space	No	Yes – re-allocate land allocated for business use to Green Space
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This area comprises highways verge mown grassland and landscaping within and alongside the dual carriageway and also within the roundabout subway, which also includes footpaths and mature trees and shrubs. It includes areas of amenity open space (primarily mown grassland) with mature trees and footpaths adjacent to existing residential areas to the north. These offer potential for wildlife habitats.</p> <p>Three areas within the allocation have been assessed as part of the Green Space audit. To the west of Centenary Way and north of Masbrough Street land was identified as high quality / high value; land within the roundabout subway was assessed as high quality / low value; and land north of College Road was identified as high quality / low value.</p> <p>Land west of Centenary Way has been assessed as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0154) and is not proposed for development. The site has value as a green space, playing a role in meeting the amenity needs of the area, as well as providing a break in the urban area and contributing to its character. It also has some biodiversity habitat functions serving the</p>				

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	<p>surrounding area. It also provides a strong landscaped irreplaceable amenity buffer role between residential and other uses to the west and the significant road infrastructure.</p> <p>Land adjacent to this Green Space is proposed for re-allocation from business use. This is the site of the former Masbrough Chapel. Buildings previously on part of the site have been demolished, including the former Chapel and most recently the meeting room (last used as a carpet warehouse) following fire damage (prior notification of demolition granted 23/7/13). Whilst the whole site is in private ownership only the southern area containing the Listed mausoleum and graveyard is fenced off. This area contains grassland and some trees and shrubs which offer potential wildlife habitats. The remainder of the site consist of open grassland which appears maintained and publicly accessible and used for informal recreation by the adjacent residential community. The site adjoins and effectively forms part of the green space corridor formed by UGO0002 alongside the dual carriageway.</p> <p>Whilst the business use allocation would, in principle, continue to be appropriate given the adjacent residential uses no planning applications for development have been received following demolition, nor has the site been promoted to the Council as a development site through the Local Plan process. The Council considers that re-allocation to Green Space would better reflect the consistent approach adopted as regards cemeteries and graveyards, and the Green Space functions that this and the adjacent part of the site fulfil. The site has value as a green space, playing a role in meeting the informal amenity needs of the area, as well as providing a break in the urban area and contributing to its character. It may also provide a role in contributing to the setting of the Listed Building. It has some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area. It also provides a strong landscaped irreplaceable amenity buffer role between residential and other uses to the north and west and the significant road infrastructure to the east.</p>				
UG0003	Land behind Bradgate Club, Wortley Road	Urban Greenspace	Residential development site (H7)	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site consists of urban greenspace with trees fronting the main road. It has been assessed as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0181). Although it is well maintained with some planting it has been assessed as low quality / low value in the Green Space Audit. It is proposed that this site be allocated as a residential development site.				
UG0004	Strip of land along Wortley Road	Urban Greenspace	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site contains an area of unmaintained grass land with trees and shrubs north of Wortley Road, and south of the road consists of mowed grassland and mature trees, with a small area of shrubs and unmaintained grassland, between the road and residential properties, hotel and bowling alley. The area south of Wortley Road was assessed as low quality / low value as part of the Green Space audit.				

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	The site has value as a green space, playing a role in meeting the informal amenity needs of the area, as well as providing a break in the urban area and contributing to its character. It also has some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area. It provides an irreplaceable amenity buffer role between residential areas and the road infrastructure.				
UG0006	St Thomas's Churchyard, off Church Street	Urban Greenspace	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	The site functions as a cemetery and will not be developed in the future. It was assessed as high quality / high value as part of the Green Space audit.				
UG0007	Land adjacent to Meadow View Community Centre, Kimberworth	Allotments / sports facilities / woodland. Urban Greenspace	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The site consists of a number of parcels of land linked together, parts of which have been considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF142 and LDF145) but have been recommended to remain as Green Space.</p> <p>Land between Meadowhall Rd and South St, and east of the primary school consists of unmaintained grass land heavily vegetated with mature trees and shrubs which offer potential for wildlife habitats. There are informal and formal footpaths. The majority of this area was assessed as low quality / high value as part of the Green Space Audit.</p> <p>The site also includes allotment gardens and games courts which are meeting the needs of the local community.</p> <p>To the east there are mature trees and a playing field (assessed as high quality / high value as part of the Green Space Audit) along with further allotments. It also includes Masbrough Cemetery which will not come forward for development in future and was assessed as high quality / high value as part of the Green Space Audit.</p> <p>Together the site provides significant value in meeting the formal and informal amenity and recreational needs of the area, providing a break in the urban area and contributing to its character. It also has biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0008	Kelford School recreation Ground	Urban Greenspace	Green Space	No	No

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<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of amenity mown grassland with some trees and shrubs adjacent to Kelford School and bordering residential gardens to the north and west. There is evidence of informal paths / desire lines. The site was assessed as low quality / low value as part of the Green Space Audit.</p> <p>The site plays a role in meeting the amenity needs of the area, providing a break in the urban area has some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0009	Land to west of Meadow Bank Road	Urban Greenspace	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of mown grass and mature trees / shrubs which offer potential for wildlife habitats. To the west and north the site adjoins residential gardens and to the east and south lies Meadowbank Road and industrial uses. In the Green Sapce Audit the site is assessed as low quality/high value greenspace. It has been considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF147) which promotes retention of the site for Green Space. It is recognised that it performs an irreplaceable amenity buffer function between the residential use to the north and Meadowbank Road and areas of industrial and business use to the south.</p> <p>The site plays a role in meeting the amenity needs of the area, providing a break in the urban area has some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area. It also performs a buffer function separating residential uses from the road infrastructure and industrial uses to the south and east.</p>				
UG0022	Land to south of Ginhouse Lane	Landfill site and allotments. Urban Greenspace and residential use in the UDP.	Green Space	Wentworth	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site includes land in use as allotments gardens, and to the north an area of grassland (appears to have been formerly laid out as allotments) with some trees and shrubs at its borders which offer potential for wildlife habitats. The boundary has been revised to include land currently allocated for residential use which lies between Hartley Lane and the railway line and forms part of the embankment heavily vegetated with trees and shrubs which offer potential for wildlife habitats.</p> <p>The site is meeting the amenity and recreational needs of the area, has some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area. It also performs a buffer function separating residential uses from the railway line to the east.</p>				
UG0143	Rotherham Minster	Urban Greenspace	Green Space	No	No

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	Gardens	and town centre allocation in the UDP.			
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of two areas of existing Urban Greenspace which are landscaped amenity areas associated with Listed Rotherham Minster (formerly part of the grave yard). It consists of maintained grass, trees, shrubs, flowerbeds and footpaths. This was assessed as high quality / high value in the Green Space Audit. To the west the Green Space allocation is extended to include the Minster Gardens public open space. Opened in 2011 this consists of maintained grass, flowerbeds, trees, footpaths and public art. These areas offer potential for wildlife habitats and fall within the town centre Conservation Area</p> <p>Together these areas play an important role in the amenity of the town centre, contributing to the setting of the Listed Minster building and town centre conservation area, and to the character of the town centre. It provides a break in the urban area as well as some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0146	Masbrough River Don area	Includes nature reserve. Urban Greenspace and Industrial and Business use.	Green Space and Mixed Use	Don	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>To the north-west this site consists of land bounded on all sides by rail lines, and with a rail line running through it. It contains scrubland with grass, shrubs and trees which offer potential for wildlife habitats. To the south-east the land includes a triangle of land bounded by railway lines and through which the canal runs, including Ickles Lock and towing path. This includes areas of maintained and unmaintained grassland, shrubs and mature trees. To the east the area includes Don Island, a spit of land which splits the River Don from the Canal. This includes land included within a wider area assessed as low quality / high value as part of the Green Space Audit. It includes land within the Sheffield and South Yorkshire Navigation Local Wildlife Site (ref. 108).</p> <p>The Green Space boundary has been extended to the south to include land currently allocated for employment use but which has been transformed into a flood storage area and nature reserve as part of the Flood Alleviation Scheme. This is also a Local Wildlife Site. A small area of land is proposed to be removed from the eastern part of the Green space and allocated for mixed use. This extends below Centenary Way and forms part of the area which has planning permission as part of the football stadium development.</p> <p>The site performs a range of green space functions, including biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area and some buffering between the railway infrastructure and other surrounding uses. It contributes towards meeting amenity and</p>				

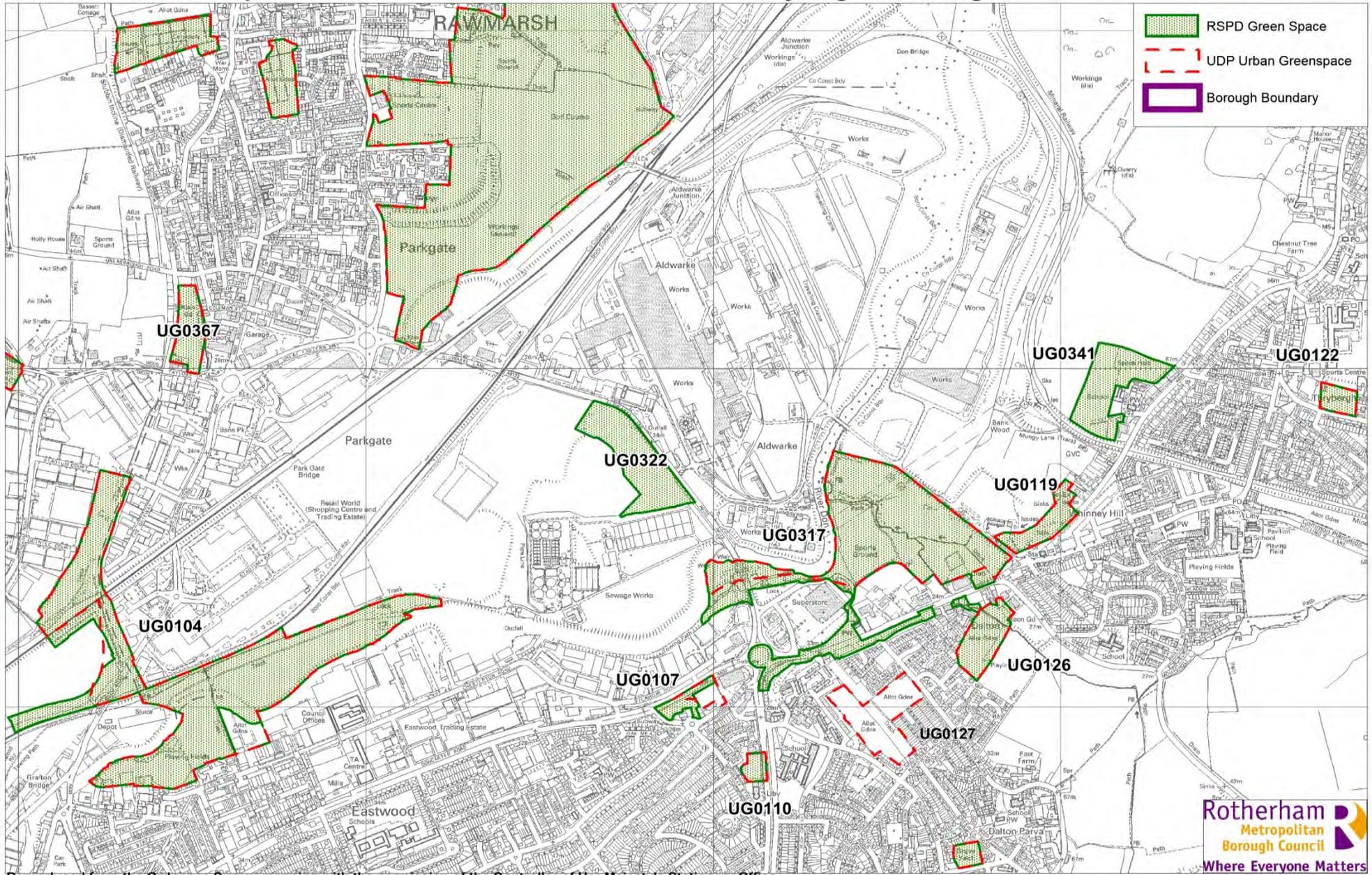
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	recreation needs and provides a break in the urban environment. It also provides an irreplaceable amenity buffer role along the canal in this area, which identified as a Local Wildlife Site.				
UG0147	Ferham Road Recreation Ground	Urban Greenspace	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>Ferham park includes a recreation ground of mown grass to the east with football goalposts although no formal pitch markings. It is bordered in part by mature trees and shrubs. To the west are areas of open amenity space including mown grass land, games court, skate park, children's play areas, footpaths, seating and mature trees and bushes and hedgerow. It was assessed as high quality / high value in the Green Space Audit.</p> <p>The park provides facilities meeting the recreational and leisure needs of the community. It provides a break in the urban environment and has biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0148	Strip of land on Wilton Lane, Ferham	Urban Greenspace	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This linear strip of land lies between residential gardens to the east and Meadowbank Road to the west. It consists of mown grass and mature trees and shrubs. It provides for informal amenity needs, a break in the urban environment and has biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area. It provides an irreplaceable amenity buffer between the residential area to the east and Meadowbank Road.				
UG0150	Large area following major roads through Greasbrough and Kimberworth Park down to Masbrough	Contains recreation grounds, allotments, woods and other. Urban Greenspace	Green Space, community use and residential use	Wentworth	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This is a significant green infrastructure corridor providing a linked series of green spaces throughout the heart of Rotherham urban area. This record relates to the southern part of UGO0150; the northern part is assessed in the Rotherham Urban Area Kimberworth Park and Greasbrough section of this report.</p> <p>It includes Bradgate Park consisting of mown grass, trees, shrubs, flower beds, children's play area, tennis courts, bowling greens and games court. Footpaths run through the site. This provides amenity and recreational facilities for the surrounding area. The majority of the park was assessed as low quality / high value in the Green Space Audit, with the eastern area assessed as high quality / low value.</p>				

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	<p>East of Wilton Gardens it includes an area of grassland, shrubs and trees between the road and the industrial buildings assessed as high quality / low value in the Green Space Audit. It includes landscaping on the roundabout and informal amenity space and landscaping along New Wortley Road and extending along Henley Rise which was also assessed as high quality / low value in the Green Space Audit. These areas provide some buffering between residential areas and road infrastructure and industrial areas. Land east of Henley Grove Road has been re-allocated from Green Space to Community Use to reflect the development of Thornhill school on the site.</p> <p>Land at Henley Rise / Avondale Road consists of amenity open space assessed as low quality / low value in the Green Space Audit. It includes mown grass, mature trees and shrubs, footpaths and some children's play equipment.</p> <p>North of New Wortley Road roundabout the Green Space includes highways verge and amenity landscaping alongside the road, including both maintained and unmaintained grassland, shrubs and mature trees. It extends east to include a substantial area of unmaintained grass, shrubs and trees assessed as low quality / high value in the Green Space Audit. This also forms part of Bradgate Brickworks Local Wildlife Sites (ref. 121). Along Fenton Road the boundary of the Green Space has been pulled back to the road reflecting the extant planning permission for residential use to the east (H4).</p> <p>West of Fenton Road it includes an area of unmaintained grassland and mature trees and shrubs assessed as high quality / low value in the Green Space Audit, beyond which extending west and south is an area of allotment gardens.</p> <p>Together these areas provide a linked green corridor performing numerous functions including amenity space providing for recreation and leisure needs, areas providing an irreplaceable amenity buffer function between land uses (such as between residential and employment areas or road infrastructure), and land with biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area. They also contribute to providing a break in the urban area and contributing to the form and character of the area, and in particular form part of a wider network linking the urban area with the countryside.</p>				
UG0153	Kimberworth Park Recreation Ground	Urban Greenspace	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This consists of a recreation ground of mown grass with evidence of football pitch markings. It was assessed as high quality / high value in the Green Space Audit. The site border varies but includes some trees, shrubs and hedgerow.</p> <p>The site provides for the amenity and recreational needs of the community. It provides a break in the urban environment and has some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0154	Land off Langdon Road	Urban Greenspace	Green Space	No	No

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<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This consists of an area of open mown grass mainly underneath the line of overhead power cables (a pylon being located in the northern part of the green space). It was assessed as low quality / low value in the Green Space Audit. The site border varies but includes some trees, shrubs and hedgerow.</p> <p>The site contributes to the amenity needs of the community. It provides a break in the urban environment and has some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0161	Strip of land south of Centenary Way, along River Don	Urban Greenspace	Green Space	Don	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This is a small area of amenity open space and landscaping between Centenary Way and the River Don, opposite the bus station. It consists of a number of pockets of land adjacent to the highway, including areas of mown grass, a number of trees, areas of unmaintained grass and shrubs. It includes land on the riverbank. It is within a site considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF589) which recommends that the urban greenspace area remains allocated as such.</p> <p>These areas represent a break in the urban environment and in particular include several large weeping willows which contribute to the character of this area. It has biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0238	Blackburn Meadows Nature Reserve	Urban Greenspace	Green Space	Don	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site lies south of the industrial estate and railway line and adjoins the administrative boundary with Sheffield; to the west it adjoins Blackburn Meadows Sewage Works. To the south is Blackburn Meadows Nature Reserve. It includes the river, canal and towing path, and Holmes Lock. There are also some footpaths. It consists of grassland, shrubs, trees and unmaintained areas of grassland. It includes land which is part of the Sheffield &amp; South Yorkshire Navigation Local Wildlife Site (ref. 108).</p> <p>The site has biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area and it contributes to the amenity and recreational needs of the area, particularly having regard to the canal which passes through the site. It contributes to a break in the urban area and acts as a green lung (taking account of air pollution issues associated with the M1 motorway). It forms part of the irreplaceable amenity buffering between the residential areas to the north and the sewage infrastructure to the south-west, and also between the railway line to the north and the canal and nature reserve to the south.</p>				
UG0239	Strip of land on Meadow Bank Road	Urban Greenspace	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This linear area of Green Space stretches along Meadowbank Road from J34 of the M1 motorway. It consists of dense vegetation of grass, trees and shrubs. Overhead power lines cross part of the site.</p>				

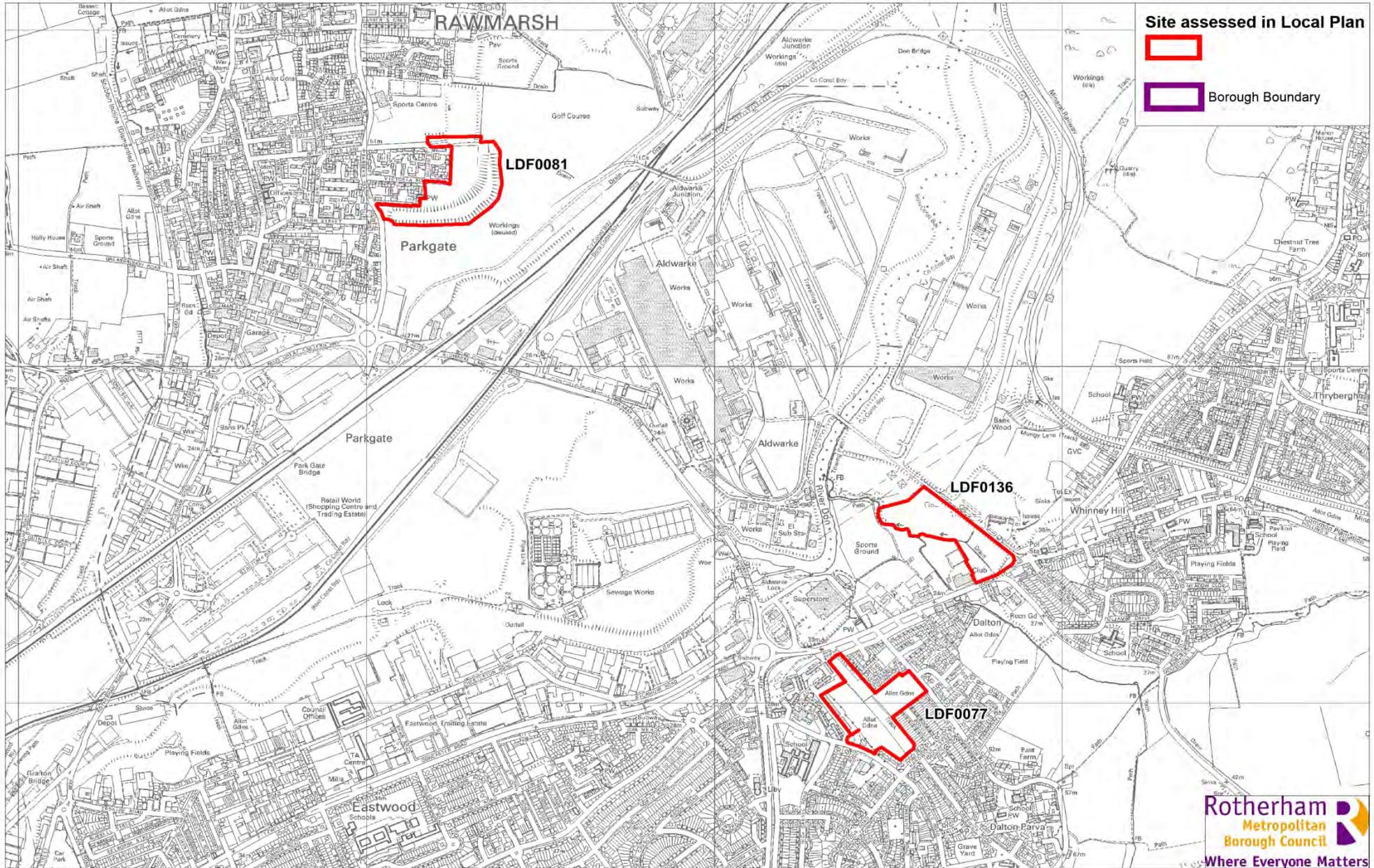
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	<p>Part of this site is included with an area of land considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0770) which concluded that the site should not be developed.</p> <p>The site has biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area and it contributes to a break in the urban area and acts as a green lung (taking account of air pollution issues associated with the M1 motorway). It provides an irreplaceable amenity buffering function between the residential area to the north and the road and sewage infrastructure and employment area to the south. It also contributes to the green landscaped character of this gateway into Rotherham from J34 of the motorway.</p>				
UG0332	Strip of land on Barber Balk Road	Residential use in the UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This linear area is allocated as residential use in the UDP but is proposed for re-allocation to Green Space. It was assessed as low quality / low value in the Green Space Audit. It consists of mown grass with some trees and shrubs alongside Barber Balk Road, between the residential properties to the west and the road.</p> <p>The site contributes to the informal amenity needs of the community. It provides a break in the urban environment and has some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area. It also contributes to the form and character of this area.</p>				

# Areas of Green Space > 0.4 hectares - Rotherham Urban Area Thrybergh and Parkgate



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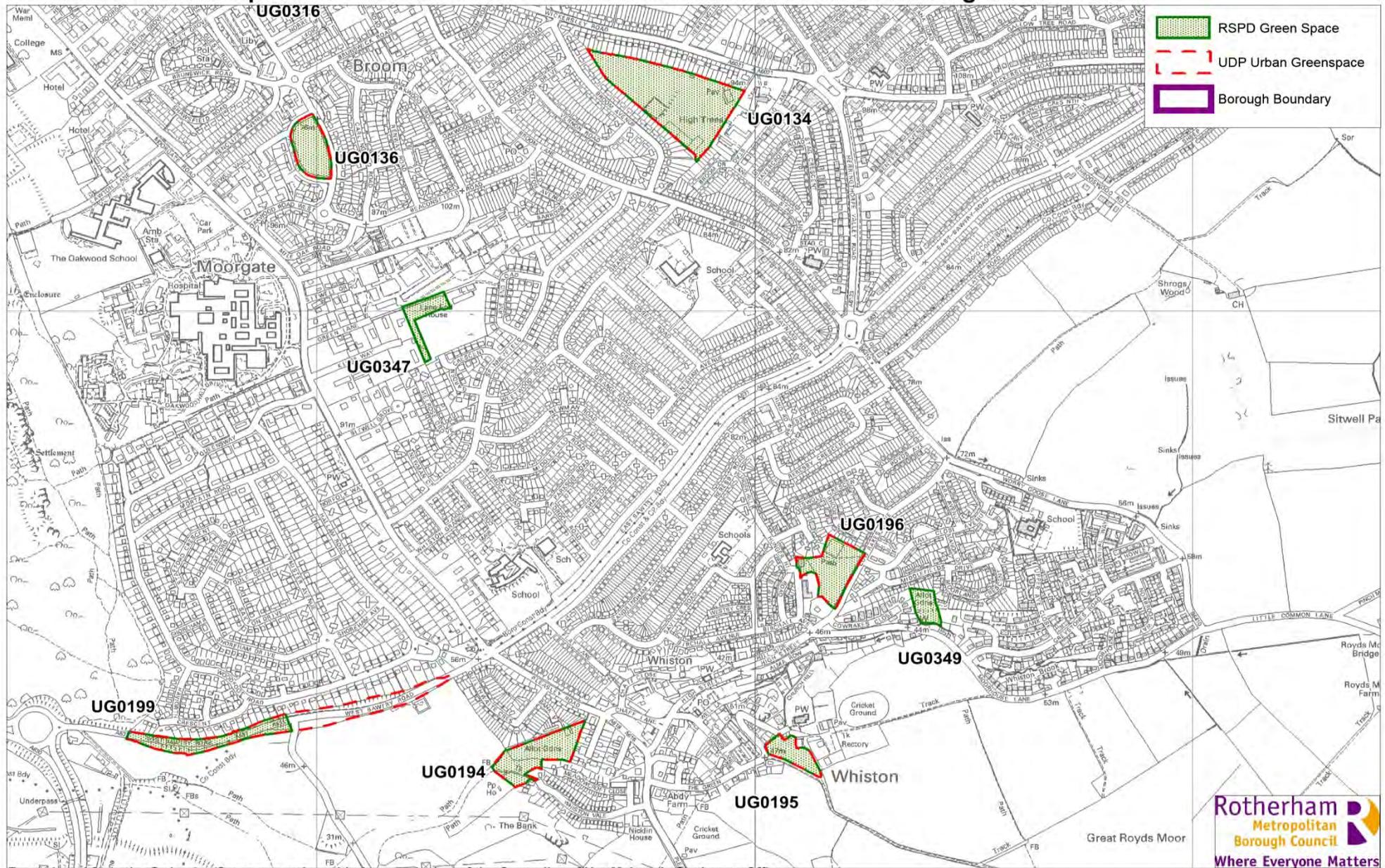
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UG0104	Land adjoining Rotherham & South Yorkshire Navigation Canal	Urban Greenspace; industrial and business use	Green Space; industrial and business use; community use	Don	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site comprises a number of linked linear green spaces closely related to road, rail, river and canals. To the north the allocation extends along the Earl Fitzwilliam canal as it extends into an area of industrial and business development. It includes grassland and mature trees and shrubs. There is identified biodiversity interest related to the canal. The RSPD proposes to amend part of the allocation boundary in this area (near Forge Way) to reflect the extent of built development (excluding a small area of land and re-allocating this to industrial and business use) and to include land adjacent to the railway line which forms part of the green space (re-allocating this area from industrial and business use to green space).</p> <p>To the south the area includes landscaping, grassland, trees and shrubs along the railway line, canal and river, including the canal lock, and also including an area south of the river of playing fields of maintained grassland, games court, footpaths and landscaping assessed as high quality / high value in the Green Space Audit. The eastern boundary in this area is proposed in the RSPD to be re-allocated to community use to reflect the development of a primary school.</p> <p>Together these sites provide a ranger of functions, meeting the amenity and recreational needs of the community, assisting in maintaining features of biodiversity value, providing a break in the urban environment and contributing to the character and form of the area. It also provides some buffering to road and rail infrastructure.</p>				
UG0107	Land south of Fitzwilliam Road	Urban Greenspace; residential use	Green Space; residential use	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site includes amenity space and land adjacent to Fitzwilliam Road consisting of mown grass and mature trees and shrubs. It presents a strong, densely vegetated boundary along the main road and forms part of the green nature and character of this part of the road. It also provides buffering between the residential use to the south and the road and industrial estate to the north. It provides some informal amenity recreation opportunities as well as a break in the urban environment, and biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area. It includes land identified as high value / low quality, and another area identified as low quality / low value in the Green Space Audit</p> <p>The RSPD proposes to amend the boundary of the green space allocation to reflect the extent of development and to extend the site west to encompass an adjacent area of green space, including re-allocating an area of land currently washed over for residential to green space, which consists of trees, shrubs and mature trees forming part of the wider green space).</p>				

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UG0110	Land north of Mowbray Gardens Library	Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This amenity open space consists of an area of mown grass, with some hedgerows and trees within the site along the boundaries which have potential to provide wildlife habitats. It was assessed as high value / low quality in the Green Space Audit. It plays a role in meeting the amenity and recreation needs of the community as well as providing a break in the urban environment.				
UG0119	Land adjoining Doncaster Road, Whinney Hill	Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Green Space	Don	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This area consists of unmaintained grass land, mature trees and shrubs which offer potential for wildlife habitats. The land is within private ownership, part of the adjacent steelworks; to the west land of the same character is allocated for industrial and business use. The site therefore acts in part as a buffer between the industrial and business use allocation and residential uses to the east. It also has biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area. It forms part of a wider corridor of green space linking from the Green Belt countryside to the north-east down to and along the River Don. It also contributes to the green corridor character of this area along Doncaster Road.				
UG0122	Playing field north of Vale Road, Thrybergh	Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site comprises a playing field of mown grass with some shrubs and trees around the boundary assessed as low quality / high value in the Green Space Audit. It contributes to meeting the amenity and recreation needs of the community as well as providing some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.				
UG0126	Dalton Allotment Gardens	Urban Greenspace, Local Centre in the UDP	Green Space	Thrybergh	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site consists of existing allotment gardens which remain in use, contributing to meeting the needs of the community. To the south it includes part of the adjacent playing field with maintained grassland and a border of trees and shrubs which may offer potential wildlife habitats. To the north it extends across Dalton Brook to include part of the recreation ground, and includes maintained grassland, trees, shrubs and footpaths. This was assessed as high quality / high value in the Green Space Audit. The RSPD proposes to extend the green space allocation north-east to include land along Dalton Brook and the footpath link to Doncaster Road (re-allocating the land from Local Centre allocation to Green Space). This area contains a				

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	<p>footpath, maintained grassland and trees and shrubs. It provides a link between the main road and the green space, ad countryside to the south-east.</p> <p>Together these sites contribute to meeting the amenity and recreational needs of the community, providing biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area, and acting as part of a link between the urban area and the adjacent countryside.</p>				
UG0127	Former Dalton Allotments	Urban Greenspace	Residential development site (H24)	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This former allotment site is proposed to be allocated for residential use as part of the wider H24 site. It was assessed as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0077) which recognised its positive attributes for housing development and noted the Parish Council being confident they can meet demand for allotments elsewhere in the Parish.</p>				
UG0317	Land at Aldwarke, south and east of River Don	Urban Greenspace; Local Centre; residential use in the UDP	Green Space	Don	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This area stretches from the River to land rear of properties on Doncaster Road and includes a mix of sites; bowling green and sports / recreation grounds with football pitches associated with Silverwood Miners Welfare, areas of maintained and unmaintained grassland, mature trees and shrubs which may offer potential wildlife habitats. Part of the area is assessed as low quality / high value in the Green Space Audit. Part of the site was assessed as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0136). This concluded that the site should remain allocated as Green Space and extended to include vegetated land currently allocated for retail use fronting Doncaster Road.</p> <p>To the west the allocation has been extended to include land currently allocated for retail use but consisting of green uses, and encompass a smaller existing Urban Greenspace allocation, to result in an area containing Aldwarke Lock and Aldwarke Lock Island (assessed as low quality / low value in the Green Space Audit) and the associated maintained grassland, and peripheral areas of trees and shrubs.</p> <p>To the south the RSPD proposes to extend the Green Space allocation to include land to the east and south of the Asda supermarket which are currently allocated for retail use but consist of areas of maintained and unmaintained grassland, shrubs, trees and highways verge, including landscaping associated with Mushroom Roundabout. It also includes public rights of way. It also includes land south of Doncaster Road which is currently allocated for residential use but consists of amenity open space / landscaping including public footpaths, mown grass and trees and shrubs.</p>				

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	Together these sites contribute to meeting the amenity and recreational needs of the community, providing biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area, and forms part of a wider corridor of green space linking from the Green Belt countryside to the north-east down to and along the River Don. They also contribute to the green corridor character of this area along Doncaster Road. In some areas it also provides a buffer between residential areas and road infrastructure.				
UG0322	Land to west of Aldwarke Lane	Industrial and business use	Local Wildlife Site; Green Space	Don	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site forms part of a current UDP industrial and business use allocation which is also identified as a Local Wildlife site (66, Aldwarke Sewage Works). The RSPD proposes to re-allocate this area to Green Space which consists of the lagoons which harbour of the main element of interest of the Local Wildlife Site, along with areas of adjacent unmaintained grassland, trees and shrubs. The site plays a role providing biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area, and as a break in the urban area.				
UG0341	St Gerard's Primary School Sports Fields	Green Belt	Green Space	Don	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site is currently within the Green Belt; however land immediately north is proposed to be allocated for residential development (H26) which would result in this site being an isolated pocket of Green Belt. The site consists of a playing field associated with the adjacent school, and land used for informal recreation but which has planning permission, which appears to have been implemented, for change of use to a cemetery. It also includes areas of mature trees, shrubs and unmaintained grassland which offer potential for wildlife habitats. The site is contributing to meeting the amenity and recreational needs of the community as well as providing biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.				
UG0367	Recreation Ground to rear of Fitzwilliam Arms, off School Lane	Green Space	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site is an informal recreation ground of mown grass assessed as low quality / high value in the Green Space Audit. The northern part of the site has permission (which appears to have been implemented) for erection of changing facilities/refreshments building, formation of all-weather football pitches with floodlights, viewing shelters and perimeter fencing. The eastern boundary of the site contains trees and shrubs which offer potential for wildlife habitats.  The site continues to play a role meeting the amenity and recreational needs of the community as well as providing biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.				

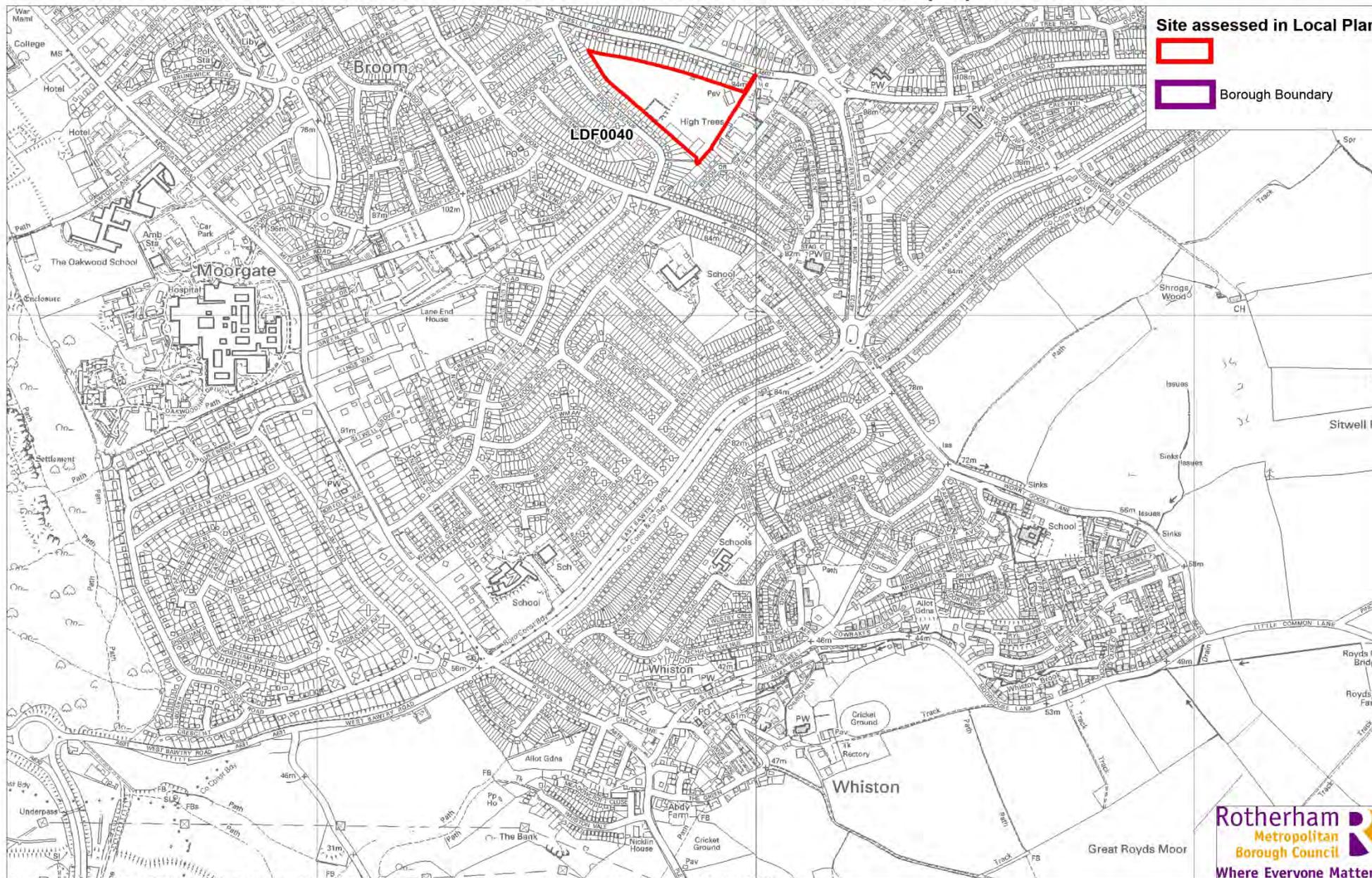
# Areas of Green Space > 0.4 hectares - Rotherham Urban Area Whiston and Moorgate



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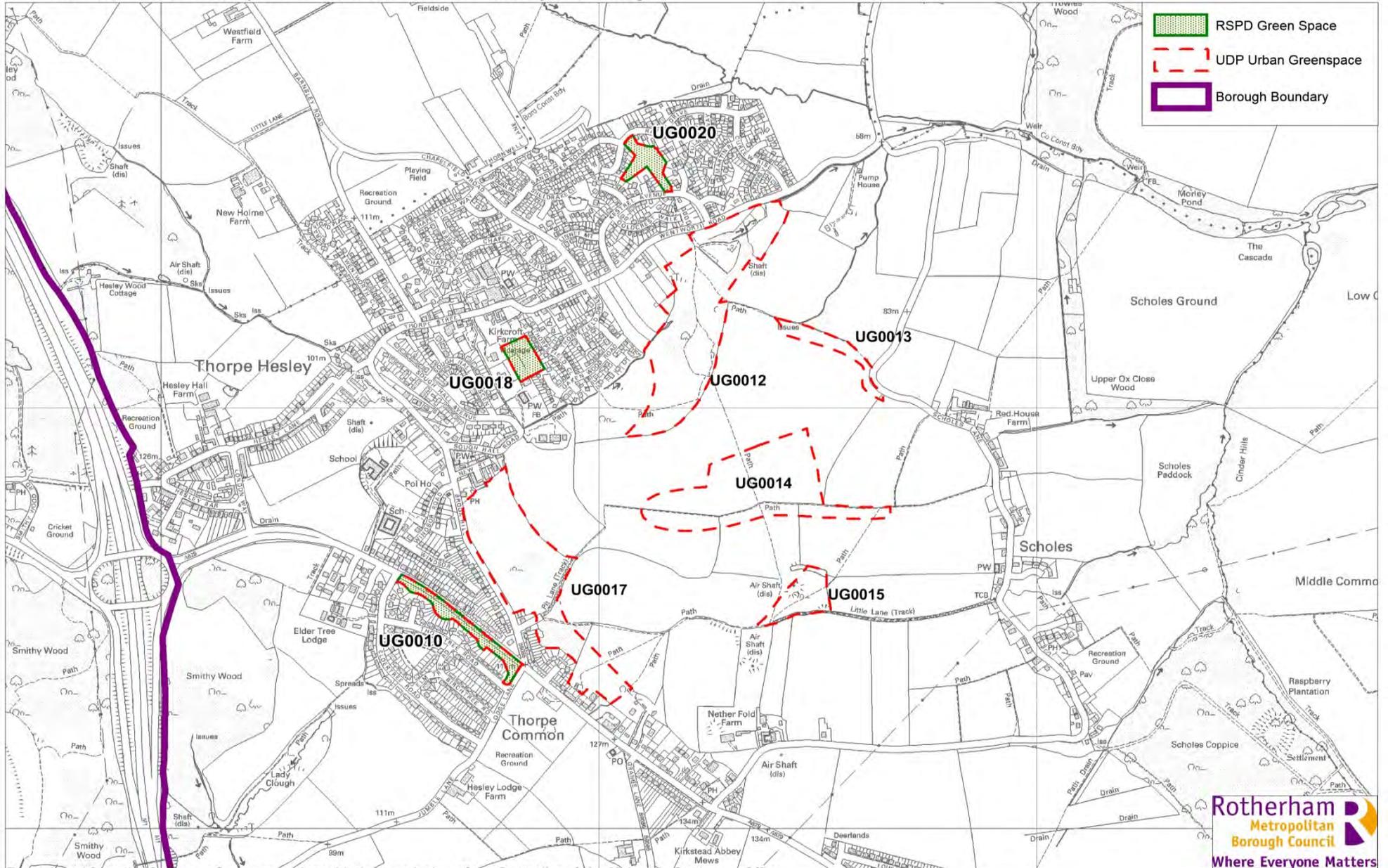


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UG0134	Sports Ground south of Wickersley Road	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>Consists of privately owned sports grounds with evidence of a cricket pitch and other recreation ground. There are also some trees and shrubs on site which provide potential wildlife habitats. It was considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF0040). This site is currently in use as a private sports club - planning permission (RB2012/1608) was granted to create car parking for Whiston Wildcats Junior Football Club. The Council considers it appropriate to retain its existing allocation as Urban Greenspace in the light of the demonstrable demand for sporting facilities on this site.</p> <p>The site performs a role in meeting the recreational needs of the community as well providing a break in the urban environment and some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0136	Land west of Broom Valley Road	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This area of mown grass provides informal amenity open space for the surrounding community, providing a break in the urban environment and contributing to the character of this area. It was assessed as low quality / high value in the Green Space Audit.</p>				
UG0194	Bank View Allotment Gardens, Whiston	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of allotment gardens which are in use. The southern part of the site falls within Whiston Meadows Local Wildlife Site (ref. 36). It includes an area of mature trees/shrubs which provide potential wildlife habitats.</p> <p>The site is meeting the recreational needs of the community as well as biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0195	Land adjacent to Old Rectory, Whiston	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of an area of mature trees which provide potential wildlife habitats. It is within and contributes to the setting of Whiston Conservation Area. Part of the site is subject to a Tree Preservation Order (RMBC Tree Preservation Order No.1, 1976).</p> <p>The site plays an important role in terms of maintaining features of heritage and biodiversity value, providing a break in the urban environment, as well as biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				

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UG0196	Land west of Cow Rakes Lane, Whiston	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space; residential use	No	Yes – exclude doctor's surgery from Green Space allocation
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of mown grass with some mature trees and shrubs at the borders which provide potential wildlife habitats. It includes football goal posts (although no formal pitch markings) and play equipment. A footpath runs through the site. It was assessed as high quality / high value in the Green Space Audit.</p> <p>This site plays an important role in meeting the amenity and recreation needs of the community, providing a break in the urban environment, as well as biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p> <p>It is proposed to amend the western boundary of the Green Space site to exclude land which has been developed as a doctor's surgery and extend the adjacent residential use allocation to include this site.</p>				
UG0199	Strip of land along A631 West Bawtry Road	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space; Residential use; safeguarded land	Rother	Yes – re-allocation to residential and Green Belt use, with some amendments to adjoining land to secure a logical Green Belt boundary. The Council therefore proposes that this Green Space allocation should be re-allocated to Green Belt as it clearly performs a Green Belt function: to check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas and to assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment in accord with paragraph 80 of the NPPF.
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consisted primarily of highway verge. Following highway improvements to the main road the site now predominantly covers the road, with a small extension into a field south of West Bawtry Road (the remainder of which is within the Green Belt). The Publication RSPD has proposed the re-allocation of the eastern part of this site to residential use as part of the washed over residential area to the north, and to the south part of the green space is included within land identified as safeguarded land.</p> <p>The remaining area performs no significant green space functions; primarily constituting a small part of a field and a very limited amount of steep sloping highway verge with grass and some trees and shrubs. It is proposed that the remainder of the urban greenspace is re-allocated to other uses which would be consistent with the changes already made to the eastern part of the original allocation and also provide a logical Green Belt boundary which follows the current road alignment. It is</p>				

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	therefore proposed that the majority of the urban greenspace should be allocated for residential use, with part being re-allocated as Green Belt. In addition two small areas of Green Belt are proposed for re-allocation to residential use. This approach will provide a defensible Green Belt boundary along West Bawtry Road.				
UG0347	Land south of Swinden Technology Centre	Residential use in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site consists of an area of mature trees which were retained as part of the adjacent residential development and which are covered by a Tree Preservation Order (No.3; 2006). A pedestrian / cycle path runs through part of the site. As such it is proposed to re-allocate the site to Green Space. The site plays a role in terms of maintaining features of biodiversity value and habitat functions serving the surrounding area, and providing a green lung and break in the urban environment.				
UG0349	Allotment Gardens off Moorlands Crescent, Whiston	Residential use in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site comprises an area of allotment gardens to the north and to the south an area of mature trees which provide potential wildlife habitats. It is within and contributes to the setting of Whiston Conservation Area.  The site is meeting the recreational needs of the community, provides a break in the urban environment and plays an important role in terms of maintaining features of heritage value, and provides biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.				

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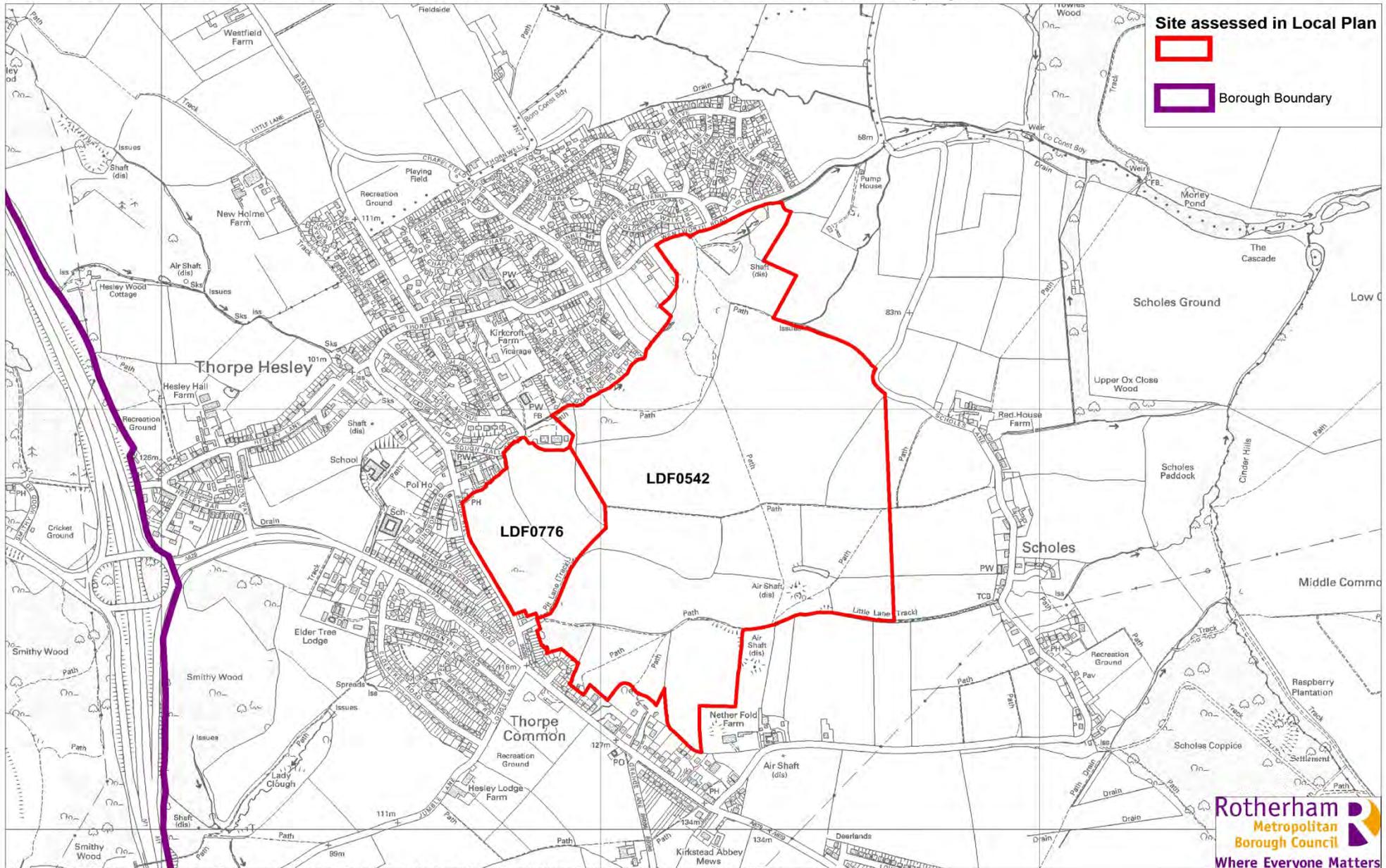


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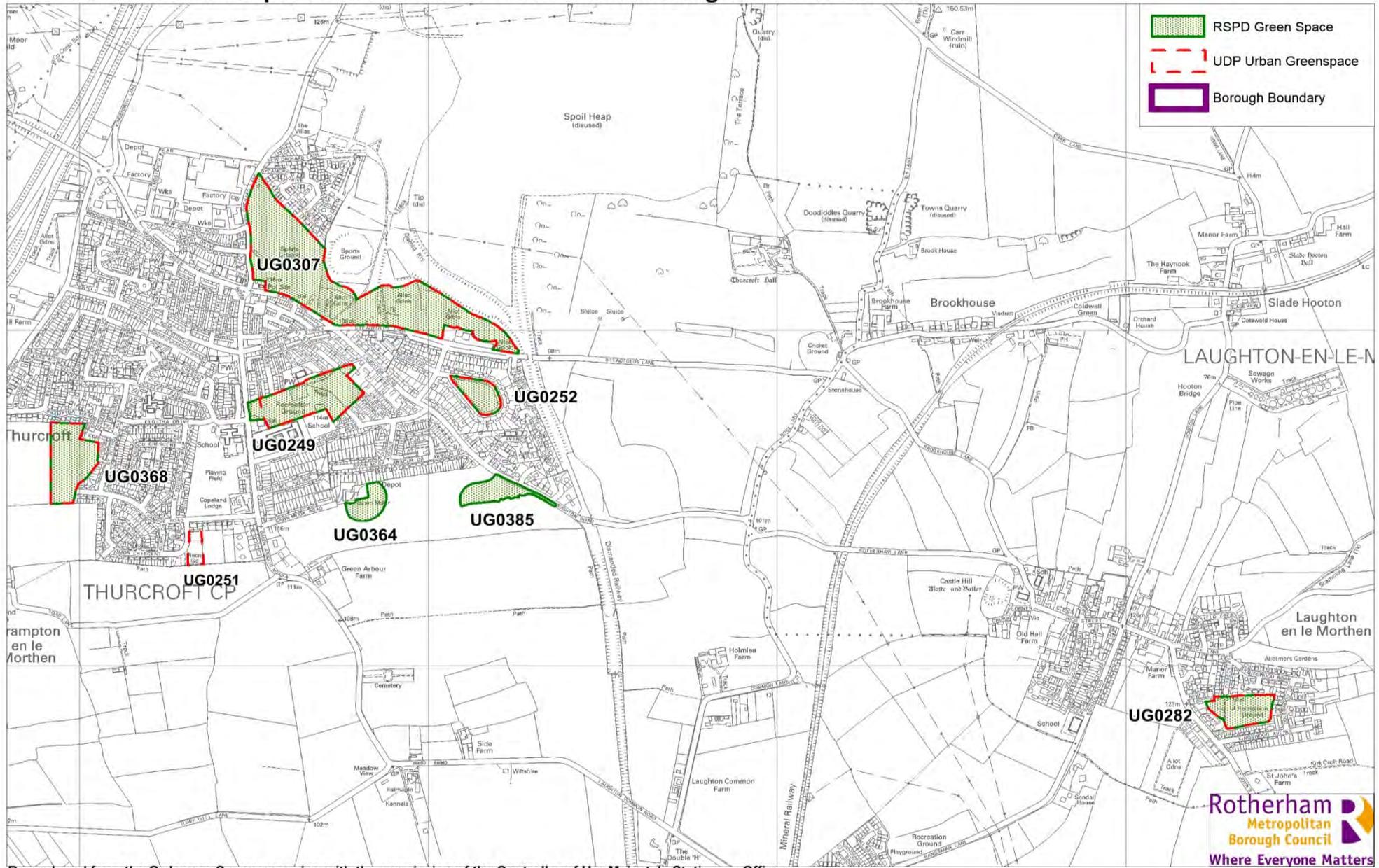
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UG0010	Strip of land south of Upper Wortley Road	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>Thorpe Common consists of amenity open space of mown grass, shrubs, and mature trees which offer potential wildlife habitats. It is linear in nature providing an element of buffering between Upper Wortley Road and the residential development to the south. The Green Space Audit rated this site as high quality / low value.</p> <p>The site has value as a green space, playing a role in meeting the amenity needs of the community as well as providing a break in the urban area and contributing to its character. It also has some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0012	Area of allocated Urban Greenspace in UDP as part of large residential development	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Belt	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The site consists of scrubland and mature shrubs and trees, grassland, hedgerows and informal footpaths. It also includes public rights of way (bridleways). The majority of land falls within land assessed as low quality / high value as part of the Green space Audit.</p> <p>The site is part of a wider area which has been considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF542) and which is proposed for inclusion within the Green Belt. It has been assessed as part of the Detailed Green Belt Review.</p>				
UG0013	Area of allocated Urban Greenspace in UDP as part of large residential development	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Belt	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The majority of this site is part of an existing agricultural site, with some grassland, trees and shrubs at the borders. It also includes public rights of way (bridleways).</p> <p>The site is part of a wider area which has been considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF542) and which is proposed for inclusion within the Green Belt. It has been assessed as part of the Detailed Green Belt Review.</p>				

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UG0014	Area of allocated Urban Greenspace in UDP as part of large residential development	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Belt	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>Predominantly existing agricultural land including some public rights of way.</p> <p>The site is part of a wider area which has been considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF542) and which is proposed for inclusion within the Green Belt. It has been assessed as part of the Detailed Green Belt Review.</p>				
UG0015	Area of allocated Urban Greenspace in UDP as part of large residential development	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Belt	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>An area of grassland, some mature trees and informal paths, and a disused air shaft related to former mining works.</p> <p>The site is part of a wider area which has been considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF542) and which is proposed for inclusion within the Green Belt. It has been assessed as part of the Detailed Green Belt Review.</p>				
UG0017	Area of allocated Urban Greenspace in UDP as part of large residential development	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Belt	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>Area consisting of maintained and unmaintained grassland, mature trees and shrubbery. It also includes areas of scrubland and field. The northern part of the site is within land assessed as low quality / high value as part of the Green space Audit.</p> <p>The site falls within two wider areas which have been considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF542 and LDF776) and which are proposed for inclusion within the Green Belt. These have been assessed as part of the Detailed Green Belt Review.</p>				
UG0018	Land south of Kirkcroft Farm, rear of Holy Trinity Church	Cemetery. Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No

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<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	The site functions as a cemetery and will not be developed in the future. The site forms part of a wider area assessed in the Green Space Audit as high quality / low value.				
UG0020	Land north of Kestrel Avenue	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	Wentworth	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The site consists of amenity open space provided as part of adjacent residential development. It includes maintained grassland and some trees which offer potential wildlife habitats. The Green Space Audit rated the site as high quality / high value.</p> <p>The site plays a role in meeting the amenity needs of the community as well as providing a break in the urban area. It also has some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				

# Areas of Green Space > 0.4 hectares - Thurcroft and Laughton en le Morthen

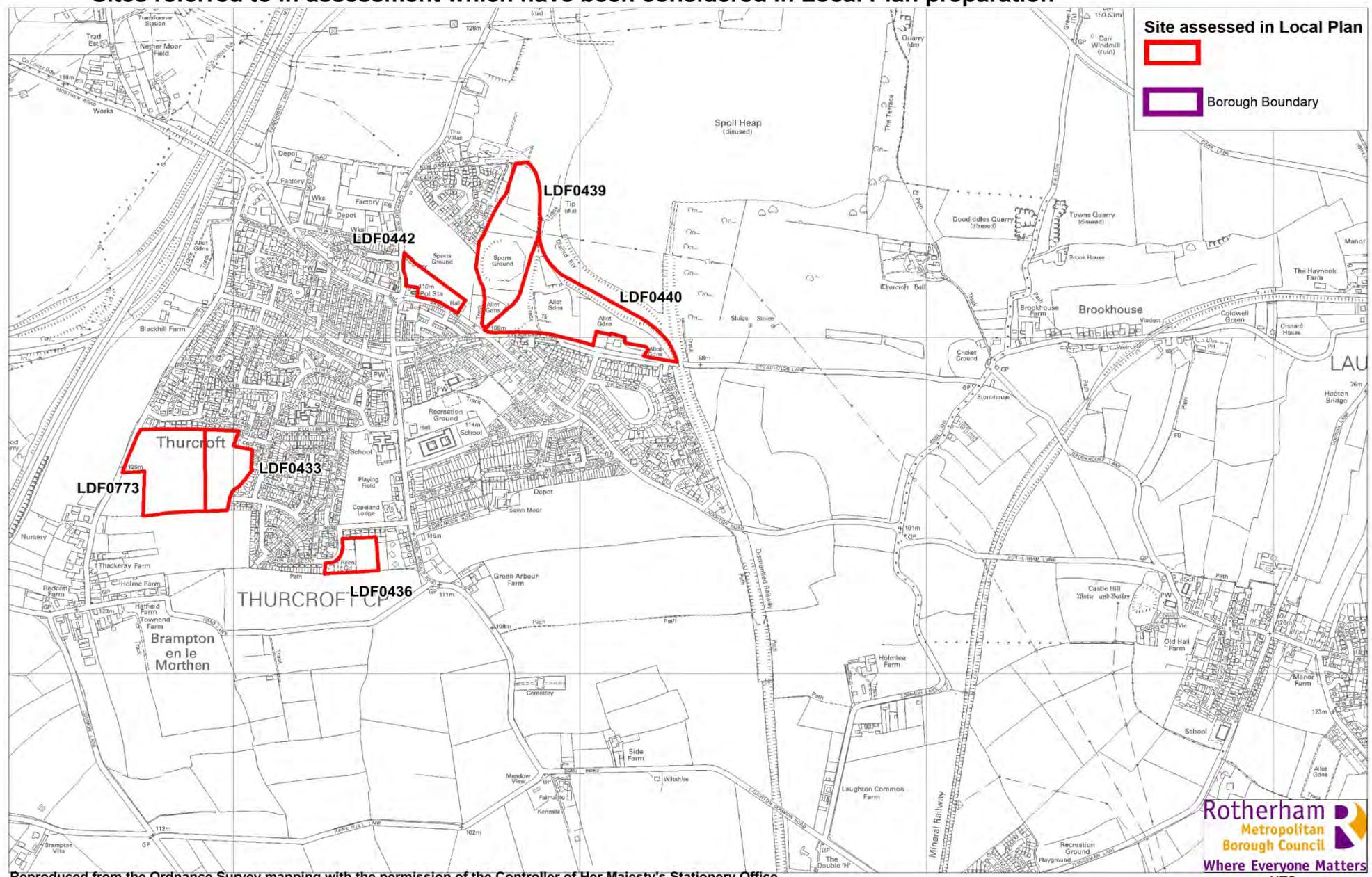


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UG0249	Recreation ground behind Thurcroft Junior School	Allocated as Urban Greenspace in UDP, partially allocated as retail use	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site comprises of an informal recreational and leisure facility in the middle of the built up area, providing accessible green open space in an urban environment. It also has a number of formal recreational facilities: a playground, a skate ramp, and a basketball court. This site provides a buffer zone between the Junior School and residences, and also provides a footpath network between the roads between Katherine Street and School Road, away from vehicles. The amenity of the green space is enhanced by its proximity to the local schools as an accessible location for children's recreation, and provides facilities specifically aimed at children and teenagers such as the skate park. However the site is protected from School Road by a hedgerow making it a safe green space for recreation and leisure. The boundary of the Greens Space has been extended slightly from the UDP allocation to include the playground area and ensure access to the Green Space from the main street (Green Arbour Road), and to maintain the openness of the space.</p> <p>Assessed within the Greenspace Audit as Neighbourhood Park of High Quality / High Value. Support the extension of the Green Space given the value and quality of the park.</p>				
UG0251	Small recreation area off Zamoor Crescent	Allocated as Urban Greenspace in UDP	Residential development site (H72)	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site was previously used as a playground and recreation area but has since become disused and overgrown, effectively functioning as an informal car parking area and scrubland. This land and land to the east have been allocated as residential in the emerging Local Plan. As a small site on the edge of an existing settlement this site has been deemed suitable for residential growth.</p> <p>A planning application RB2016/1653 for the wider site LDF0436 / H72: erection of 49 dwelling houses with associated parking and landscaping submitted 12/12/2016 remains undetermined. The urban greenspace element of the site is currently overgrown and has no obvious use in its current state. The Greenspace Audit has given the site a natural greenspace typology with high value / low quality score. The site is adjacent to the Green Belt, with a strong boundary hedgerow and footpath separating the site from the neighbouring fields and the local wildlife site LWS 27 Brampton Common. It appears that an informal footpath has been created to access the public right of way however there is a nearby public right of way that provides just as easy access to the residential area so the change in allocation would not impact on access between the public right of way and the neighbouring settlement.</p>				

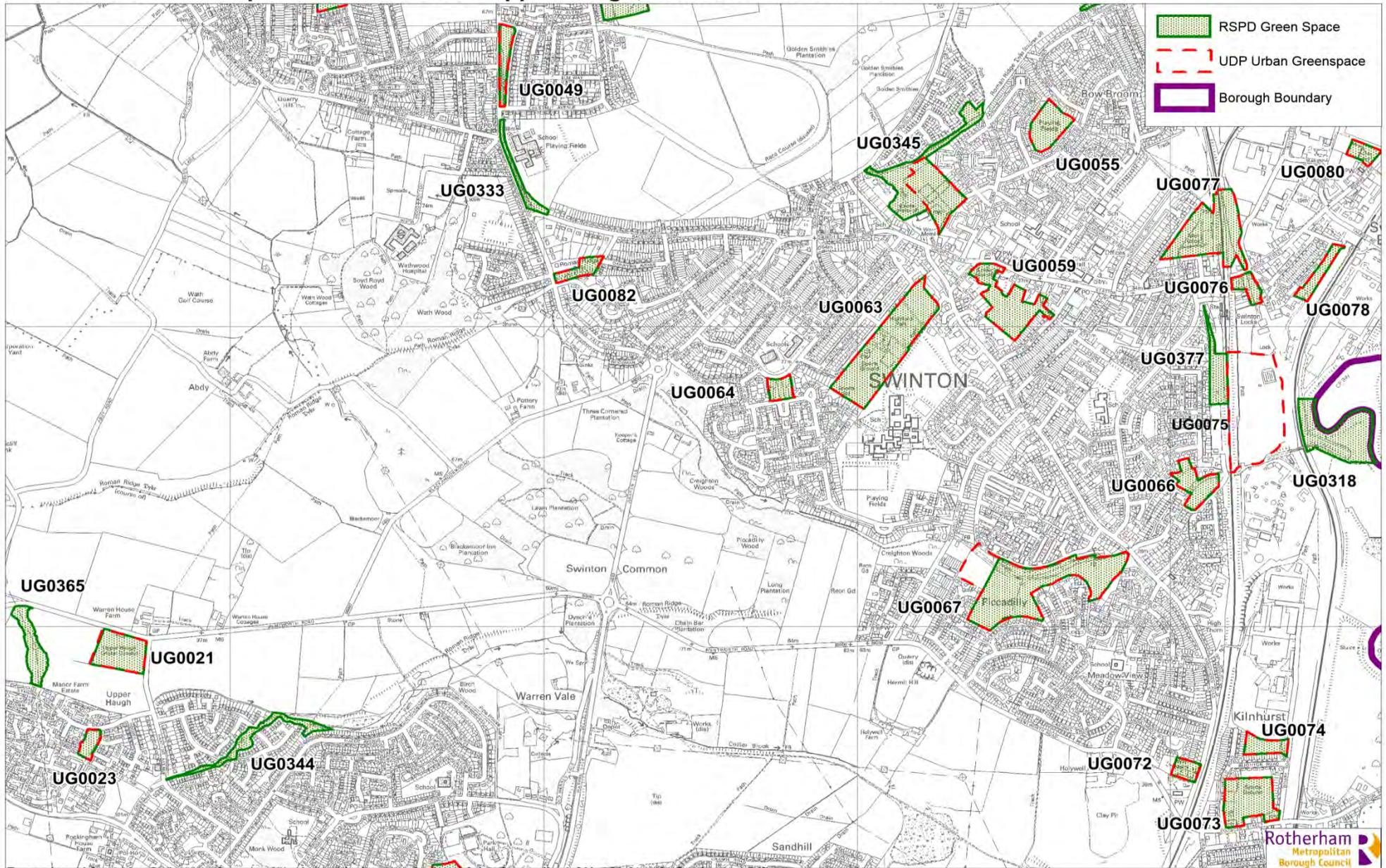
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	Support the change to residential allocation and enabling access to the wider site.				
UG0252	Small green area at The Crescent, Thurcroft	Allocated as Urban Greenspace in UDP	Allocate as Green space	Maltby	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site provides an open green space within a built up environment, in a distinctive crescent-shaped village green style design. This green space has been made an Asset of Community Value and has a high aesthetic value as it provides a viewing point for the curved streetscape surrounding the site and is an integral part of the design of the surrounding residential estate. Furthermore, this site contributes to the distinctive character of the settlement given its function as a central point for informal leisure and recreational use. Planning application RB2014/1511 for the erection of 21 No. dwelling houses with associated works was dismissed on appeal: 15/10/15 (Ref No: APP/P4415/W/15/3129846) on green space grounds. Assessed within the Greenspace Audit as Amenity Greenspace of Low Quality / High Value.</p> <p>Retain as Green Space, reflecting its status within a Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Maltby.</p>				
UG0282	Recreation ground to rear of Laughton Village Hall	Allocated as Urban Greenspace in UDP	Allocate as Green Space	Local Anston Brook / Sandbeck	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site provides an extensive open space within the built environment, and informal and formal recreational facility for the surrounding community, in a safe and accessible location away from the main highway. Furthermore, the site is crossed by a public right of way that provides access from Firbeck Avenue to St John's Road and from New Street to Firbeck Avenue. The green space includes a number of trees which provide shelter and privacy from the recreation ground sports pitch.</p> <p>Assessed within the Greenspace Audit as Outdoor Sport of High Quality / High Value.</p> <p>Retain as Green Space, reflecting its status within a Local Green Infrastructure Corridor: Anston Brook / Sandbeck and the value and quality of the park.</p>				
UG0307	Sports ground and allotments off Steadfolds Lane / Sandy Lane	Allocated as Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Allocate as Green Space	Maltby	No
<b>Reason for</b>	This is a site within the Maltby Green Infrastructure Corridor, on the fringes of the Green Belt. The site provides an informal				

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<b>Allocation:</b>	<p>recreational and leisure use to the community with most of the site comprised of heathland with a public right of way leading to a sports ground within the Green Belt. There are sports pitches and a number of allotment gardens on the site, served by a small brook, contributing towards health, quality of life, sense of place and overall well-being. The site is separated from the highway by a distinctive stone wall, and provides access to the further green space beyond from the settlement. The Sports Ground to the east of New Orchard Lane and north of Sandy Lane has been assessed within the Greenspace Audit as Outdoor Sport of High Quality / High Value.</p> <p>In preparing the Local Plan consideration has been given to alternative uses on parcels of this Urban Greenspace and part of the Green Belt land:</p> <p>LDF0442: The site forms part of a wider recreation ground which has been designated as high quality and high value by the Greenspace Audit. Trustees do not wish to see the site developed so the site would not be deliverable until well beyond the plan period (current lease runs until 2122). Retain as Green Space.</p> <p>LDF0439: The allotments (at the southern end of the site) and sports ground have existing recreational functions. Accessibility issues are significant owing to a limited frontage on to Sandy Lane and New Orchard Lane not being an adopted highway. Accordingly, the Transportation team rate the site red. Trustees do not wish to see the site developed so the site would not be deliverable until well beyond the plan period (current lease runs until 2122). Retain in current usage and its allocations as Green Space and Green Belt.</p> <p>LDF0440: The allotments are well used and perform a recreational function. Trustees do not wish to see the site developed so the site would not be deliverable until well beyond the plan period (current lease runs until 2122). Retain as Green Belt / Green Space allocations.</p> <p>Retain the Green Space, reflecting its status within a Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Maltby; the value and quality of the sports ground, formal and informal recreational features on site, and the mix of additional uses to the east; and the opposition of the trustees to any proposed loss of this land.</p>				
UG0364	End of Sawn Moor Road, part of housing development H73, wherein development has commenced	Allocated as residential (H23 in the UDP) with supporting facilities	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This new allocation as Green Space has been included in the Local Plan in recognition of the needs of the new development within housing allocation H73. This Green Space site was previously used as an entrance point for construction vehicles				

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	accessing the development site. With the addition of this new residential development on the fringes of the existing built up area, new Green Space provision is a requirement of planning policy and the proposed open space within the estate is to be used as an informal leisure and recreational facility. Furthermore, this site is appropriate as it performs a heritage buffer function to protect, the listed farmhouse building at the end of Sawn Moor Road.				
UG0368	Part of field at end of Ivanhoe Road, Thurcroft	Allocated as Urban Greenspace in the adopted UDP	Allocate as Green Space	No	Yes change this Urban Greenspace to Green Belt.
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site forms part of the network of fields surrounding Thurcroft that are within the Green Belt. The site is a smaller parcel of farmland within a much larger agricultural field. It is surrounded by Central Rotherham Coalfield Farmland, a Landscape Character Area. This site has been considered within the RSPD: LDF0433 and it is currently proposed to retain the Green Space allocation.</p> <p>The IIA submission part 2, section 4.12 Thurcroft notes in table 4.47 'Rationale for allocated and safeguarded land in Thurcroft': ... To be retained as urban greenspace, as meets a recognised need or serves an important amenity or townscape function. Whilst this site was not considered in the Detailed Green Belt Review 2016 [EB49B] the adjoining site LDF0773 was and notes: "... Although the eastern boundary of this site runs across an open field this is a boundary established by the current UDP as the land to the east is allocated as Urban Greenspace. ... However, consideration should be given to the potential designation of this eastern area as Green Belt."</p> <p>The Council wishes to re-consider the allocation of this area and change its allocation from Green Space to Green Belt and considers that this approach will assist in retaining the open character of this land, maintain the features of the landscape and protect the historic environment of nearby Brampton en le Morthern. Historic England has expressed considerable concern regarding the development of the larger field and its proximity to the settlement of Brampton en le Morthern (EB62 Heritage Impact Assessment 2014 refers). Full consideration has been given to the allocation of land for residential development within this locality. In the light of representations received the Council considers that it is appropriate to promote a Main Modification to include this site with the Green Belt given that the boundary between the Green Space and the Green Belt currently follows the "ridge line" but neither follows hedgerow nor PROW boundary features.</p> <p>A Main Modification would enable the creation of a strong Green Belt boundary in this location and meet the fundamental aim of Green Belt policy: to prevent urban sprawl by keeping land permanently open (paragraph 79 of the NPPF). Development of the larger field or even that part of the field allocated Green Space, will lead to encroachment of built development on open countryside (unrestricted sprawl) and the closing of the gap (merging of neighbouring settlements) between Thurcroft and Brampton en le Morthern thus impacting on the setting of a historic village. It is considered that re-allocation of this site as per</p>				

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	<p>the proposed Main Modification is in accord with Paragraphs 79 and 80 of the NPPF.</p> <p>However if the re-allocation of this site to Green Belt is not supported then, the Council will continue to promote the retention of this site for Green Space purposes for the above reasons. It is considered that this Green Space performs an irreplaceable amenity and buffer function and should be protected from future development as it is considered that their loss cannot be compensated for given the purpose and function of the allocation. It supports the setting of the historic environment of Brampton en le Morthern.</p>				
UG0385	Off Laughton Road, part of housing allocation (H73), wherein development has commenced.	Allocated Residential (H23) in the adopted UDP with supporting facilities	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site has been allocated as Green Space to reflect the new residential estate development ongoing in the surrounding urban area housing allocation H73 in the RSPD.</p> <p>This new allocation as Green Space has been included in the Local Plan in recognition of the needs of the new development within housing allocation H73. With the addition of this new residential development on the fringes of the existing built up area, new Green Space provision is a requirement of planning policy and the proposed open space within the estate is to be used as an informal leisure and recreational facility. A pond has been created as a SuDS drainage facility to support residential development and is also located within the site to enhance the landscape character of the area and to contribute positively to the urban aesthetic at the entrance to the development.</p> <p>This site provides a break in the urban environment formed by an open landscaped area, which will add to the area's character and contribute towards quality of life in a new neighbourhood. It also forms a link to the adjacent Maltby Green Infrastructure Corridor. This Green Space provides a buffer separating the new settlement and the highway, extending along Laughton Road where trees provide a visual barrier for residents.</p>				

# Areas of Green Space > 0.4 hectares - Upper Haugh, Kilnhurst and Swinton

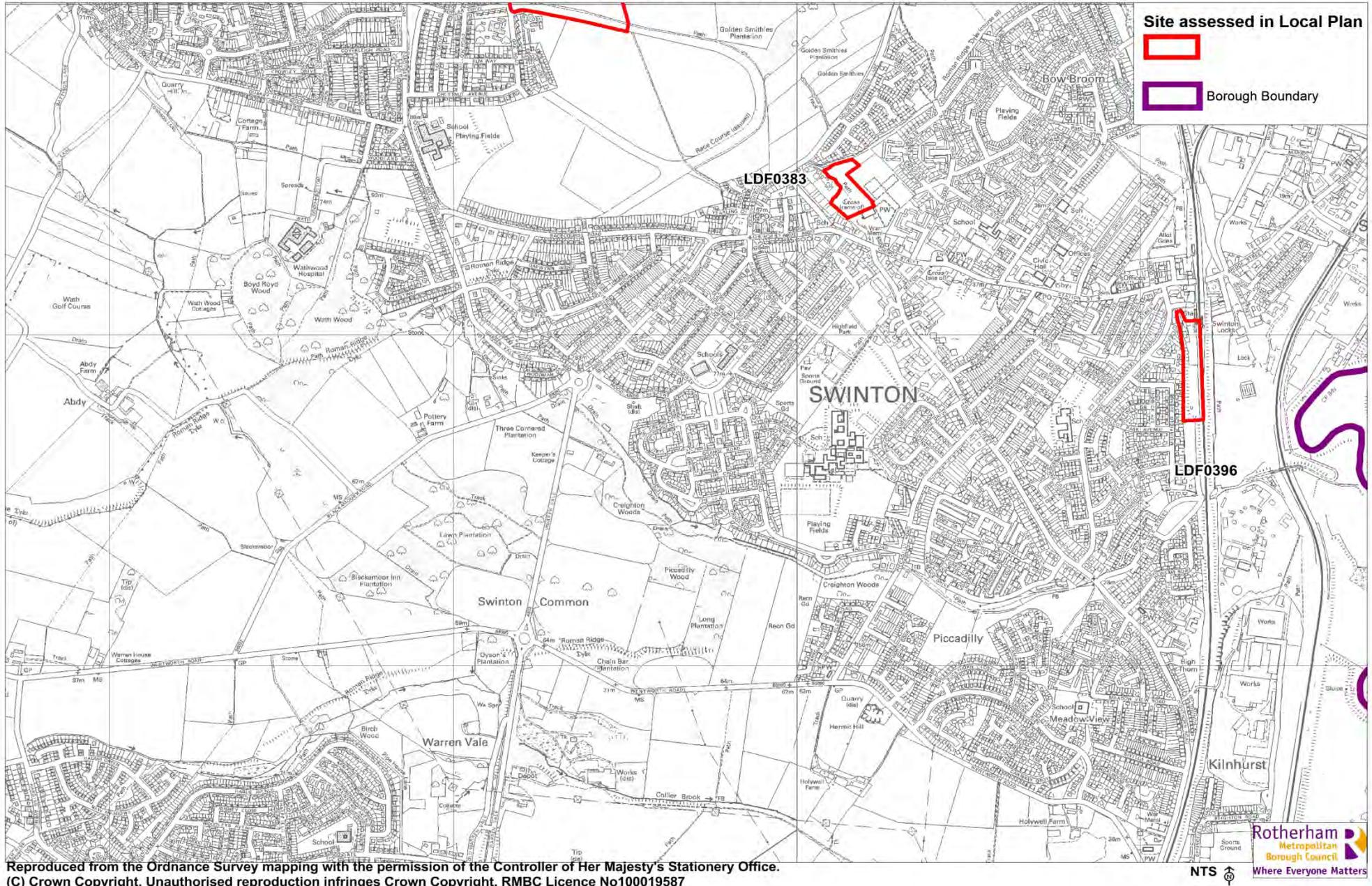


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UG0021	Upper Haugh Cricket Ground	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	Wentworth	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site is formally laid out and in use as a cricket ground, including pavilion and parking facilities. It is home to Upper Haugh Cricket Club. The site includes some incidental mown grassland and shrubs which may provide some opportunities for wildlife habitats. The site provides formal recreation facilities meeting the recreational and leisure needs of the community, and some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.				
UG0023	Manor Farm play area, Upper Haugh	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	Wentworth	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This consists of amenity open space which appears to have been provided as part of the adjacent residential development. It consists of an area of mown grass, a number of mature trees which may provide some opportunities for wildlife habitats, and a children's play area. The Green Space Audit rated the site as high quality / low value.  The site has value as a green space, playing a role in meeting the amenity and recreational needs of the community as well as providing a break in the urban area. It also has some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.				
UG0049	Thin strip of land to east of Sandygate, Wath	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This is a linear area of mown grass, footpath with seating and mature trees (subject to a Tree Preservation Order: Tree Preservation Order No.1, 1952) which may provide some opportunities for wildlife habitats. It constitutes an important part of the form and character of this area. The Green Space Audit rated the site as high quality / high value.  The site has value as a green space, playing a role in meeting the amenity needs of the community as well as providing a break in the urban area and contributing to its character. It also has some biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.				
UG0055	Playing field behind properties on Thomas Street / Goodwin Crescent, Swinton	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This area consists of a long standing playing field of mown grass with a children's play area. It is surrounded by residential development. The Green Space Audit rated the site as low quality / high value. The site has value as a green space, playing a role in meeting the amenity and recreational needs of the community as well as providing a break in the urban area.				

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UG0059	Irregular parcel of land between properties on Milton Court and Church St	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	Horsefair Park is within the Swinton Conservation Area. It includes a small area of woodland with trees, shrubs and unmaintained grass which may provide some opportunities for wildlife habitats. It also includes areas of mown grass and footpaths (both formal and informal) along with other mature trees. It is surrounded by residential development and The Green Space Audit rated the site as low quality / high value. The site has value as a green space, playing a role in meeting the amenity and recreational needs of the community as well as providing a break in the urban area as well as biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.				
UG0063	Park View club and sports ground, Swinton	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The northern part of this site, known as Highfield Park, was assessed as part of the Green Space Audit as high quality / high value. It contains mown grassland and mature and younger trees which may provide some opportunities for wildlife habitats. It includes footpaths with lighting and a children's' play area. To the south is Park View club which includes a bowling green, recreation ground, sports pitches and games area. It includes the Park View bar and function venue. There are some mature trees on site which may provide some opportunities for wildlife habitats.</p> <p>The site provides a range of formal and informal recreational spaces and uses and has significant value as a green space, playing a role in meeting the recreational and leisure needs of the community as well as providing a break in the urban area. It also has biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0064	Small green area off The Crescent, Swinton	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site consists of two areas of amenity open space consisting of mown grass land with several mature trees which may provide some opportunities for wildlife habitats. It includes part of the Broadway cul-de-sacs predominantly used for parking. The Green Space Audit rated the site as low quality / low value. It plays a role in meeting the informal amenity needs of the surrounding community and as well as providing a break in the urban area contributes to the character of this area. It also has some limited biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.				

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UG0066	Land either side of Carlisle St on approach to Croda site housing development	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site consists of two areas of amenity open space consisting of mown grass land with some mature trees which may provide some opportunities for wildlife habitats. The Green Space Audit rated the site as low quality / low value. It plays a role in meeting the informal amenity needs of the surrounding community and as well as providing a break in the urban area. It also has some limited biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.				
UG0067	Irregular shaped piece of land south of Lawrence, Piccadilly	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space; Residential use	Wentworth	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	An area to the west is proposed as a residential development site (H52) and is proposed to be removed from the Green Space allocation. The remainder consists of mown grass land, trees and shrubs and informal and formal footpaths. It includes a children's play area. The Green Space Audit rated the site as low quality / high value.  The site has significant value as a green space, playing a role in meeting the recreational and leisure needs of the community as well as providing a break in the urban area. It also has biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.				
UG0072	St Thomas's church war memorial and cemetery	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	The site functions as a cemetery and will not be developed in the future. It includes a number of mature trees which provide biodiversity habitat functions which may provide some opportunities for wildlife habitats.				
UG0073	Miners welfare sports ground, Springfield Road, Kilnhurst	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	Don	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	Kilnhurst Recreation Ground consists of a bowling green, games court and football and cricket pitch along with changing and parking facilities. It also includes an area of amenity open space of grass, flower beds, trees and shrubs which may provide some opportunities for wildlife habitats. The Green Space Audit rated the site as high quality / low value.  The site has significant value as a green space, playing a role in meeting the recreational and leisure needs of the community as well as providing a break in the urban area. It also has biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.				

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UG0074	Wharf Road allotments, Kilnhurst	Urban Greenspace in UDP	Green Space	Don	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site consists of existing allotment gardens. These remain in use and provide for the needs of the community, as well as providing a break in the urban environment. To the east it includes a small area of mown grassland and shrubs which border the allotments, which may provide some opportunities for wildlife habitats.				
UG0075	Former Croda site	Urban Greenspace in UDP. Currently under construction for residential	Allocated as residential development site (H51)	Don	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site is proposed to be re-allocated from urban greenspace to a residential development site to reflect the extant permission for housing, construction of which is underway.				
UG0076	Public gardens and Swinton Lock	Urban Greenspace in UDP.	Green Space	Don	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site includes a public garden of mown grass, flowerbeds, trees and shrubs which may provide some opportunities for wildlife habitats, as well as footpaths. To the east and south it includes the canal lock, with grass, shrubs and scrub land alongside the canal.</p> <p>The site has value as a green space contributing to the character of the area, playing a role in meeting the amenity needs of the community as well as providing a break in the urban area and biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0077	Allotments off Colonel Ward Drive, Swinton	Urban Greenspace in UDP.	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site includes land alongside the canal with grass, mature trees, shrubs and scrub land. It includes footpaths, including the towpath which is a public right of way. West of the railway line the site predominantly comprises allotment gardens, with some mature trees, shrubs and scrubland between the railway line and allotments. North of the allotment is an area of natural grassland / scrub.</p> <p>The allotments provide for the needs of the community, and the area as a whole provides a break in the urban area and biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area. It plays a role in meeting the informal amenity needs of the surrounding community and contributes to the character of the area.</p>				
UG0078	Public park strip of land alongside canal, Swinton Bridge	Urban Greenspace in UDP.	Green Space	Don	No

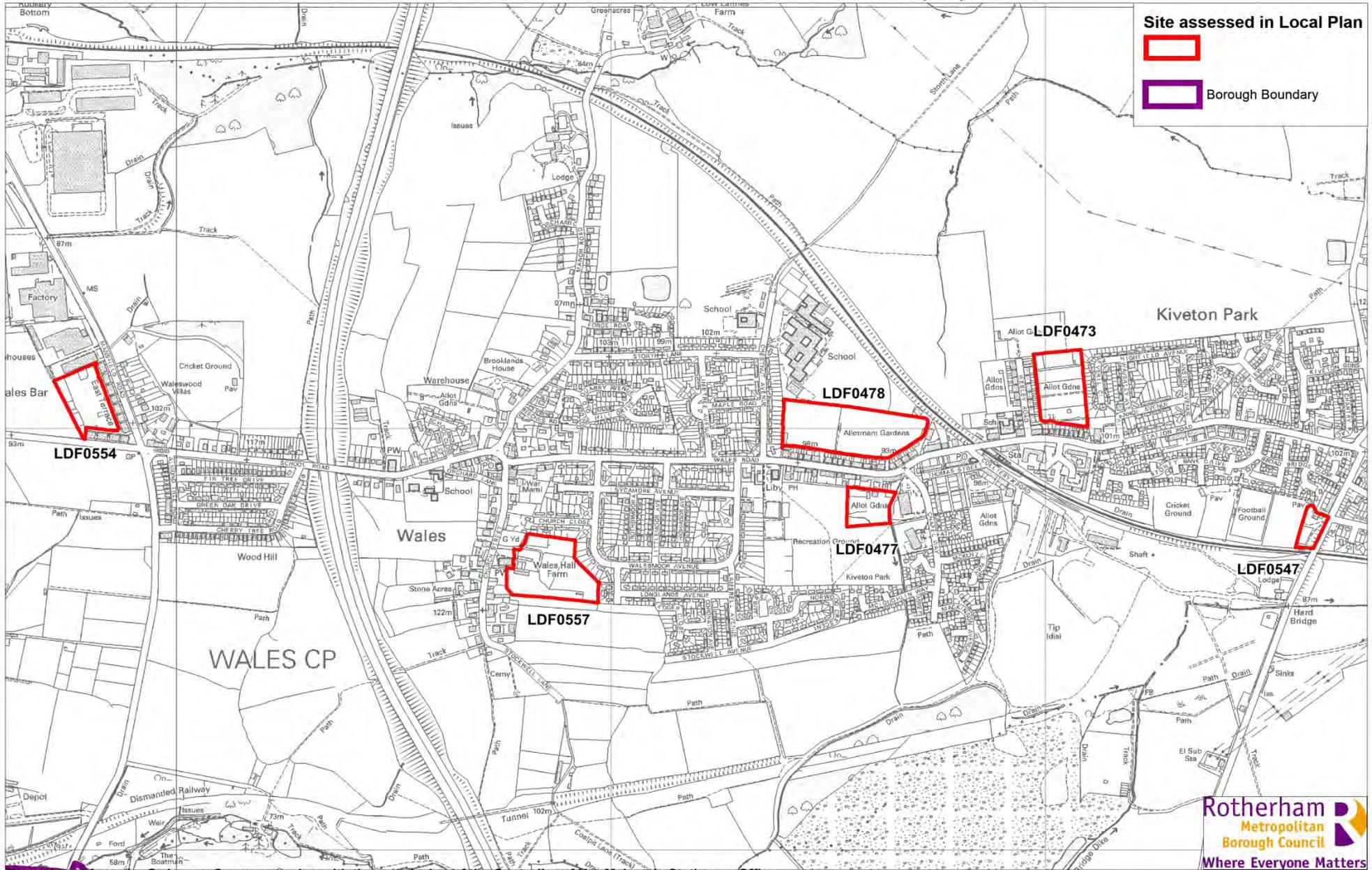
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<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	To the south this site comprises a small park of mown grass, footpaths and some mature trees. It includes part of the Swinton Lock Activity Centre. Adjacent to the canal is natural grassland / scrub and shrubs. To the north the site consists of scrubland which appears to be being used as a wharf and includes evidence of storage / loading activities associated with the canal. No planning permission for these uses has been granted; although they may be being undertaken via permitted development rights.  The site plays a role in meeting the amenity needs of the surrounding community and provides biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.				
UG0080	Rowms Lane Club and bowling green	Urban Greenspace in UDP.	Green Space	Don	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site comprises the Rowms Lane Social Club and associated bowling green and pavilion. The site is playing a role in meeting the recreational and leisure needs of the community as well as providing a break in the urban area.				
UG0082	Area off Wath Wood Road	Urban Greenspace in UDP.	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site consists of an area of woodland with hedgerow, mature trees and shrubs which provide opportunities for wildlife habitats. The majority of the site is subject to a Tree Preservation Order (Wath Urban District Council, Tree Preservation Order No.1, 1952). The site includes a section of the Roman Ridge, part of an Iron Age earthwork. The site does not appear to be publicly accessible, however it plays an important role as a green space providing biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area and assisting in maintaining features of landscape and heritage value.				
UG0318	Land between River Don and canal / railway line	Industrial and business use in the UDP	Green Space	Don	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site consists of land adjacent to the River Don. It forms part of the wider Kilnhurst lngs area (which extends south into land allocated as Green Belt) which the Green space Audit rated as low quality / high value. It forms part of the river washlands, falling mainly within flood zone 3. The site forms part of the Kilnhurst Riverside Local Wildlife site. In light of this it is proposed to re-allocate this site from employment use to Green Space. Land to the south is being enhanced through the Living Don Partnership's three-year 'Rotherham Rivers' programme to develop this green network and wildlife area.  It includes scrubland with some mature trees, and informal footpaths. The site plays a role as a green space providing biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.				

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UG0333	Thin strip of land fronting St Pius High School	Community Use allocation	Green Space	Wentworth	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of a tree lined road verge of mown grass and mature trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order (Wath Urban District Council, Tree Preservation Order No.1, 1952) which may provide some opportunities for wildlife habitats. The Green Space Audit rated the site as high quality / high value. The site is currently within the community use allocation related to the school; however in view of its character and nature it is proposed to re-allocate this area to Green Space.</p> <p>The site provides a strong element in the form of the settlement and assists in maintaining features of landscape value. It provides biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area. It also provides an element of buffering in this location between the residential uses to the west and the school to the east.</p>				
UG0344	Thin strip of land at New Meadows, Upper Haugh	Residential allocation in UDP	Green Space	Wentworth	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of amenity open space provided as part of adjacent residential development. As such it is proposed to re-allocate the site from residential to green space. It is a linear series of open spaces of mown grass land and trees and shrubs which will provide wildlife habitat opportunities. Footpaths with lighting are also provided. Part of the site was assessed as part of the Green Space Audit, which ranked it as low quality / low value. The linear nature of the site provides linkages for surrounding communities into the countryside. It provides an amenity and informal recreation role and a break in the urban environment, a linear routeway linking urban areas to the surrounding countryside as well as biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0345	St Margaret's cemetery and surrounds	Urban Greenspace, and residential allocations in the UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The current UDP Urban Greenspace allocation covers the churchyard associated with St Margaret's Church. This functions as a cemetery and will not be developed in the future. The majority of this site is within the Local Wildlife Site (ref 205). It is proposed to extend this allocation to the north-east to incorporate amenity open space provided as part of adjacent residential development (which also follows the line of the Roman Ridge, an Iron Age earthwork). This element includes amenity open space in the form of maintained grassland, public footpaths and trees and shrubs which will provide wildlife habitat opportunities. Its linear nature provides connectivity for communities along its route.</p>				

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	<p>It is also proposed to extend the site to the east. Land to the east of the cemetery has been considered as part of the Local Plan process (LDF383). This site consists of managed grassland and mature trees, with the Vicarage and Grave Yard on either side. The site is within the Conservation Area, adjacent to a listed building (St Margaret's Church) and adjacent to the Local Wildlife Site. The cemetery and land to east up to the boundary with existing residential properties was assessed as part of the Green Space Audit as high quality / high value. The area also forms part of the setting of the Conservation Area and Listed Building.</p> <p>The site therefore provides a mixture of roles including amenity and informal recreation, a linear routeway linking communities to the surrounding countryside, biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area, and a location specific amenity buffer maintaining features of heritage value and acting as a buffer to the adjacent Local Wildlife Site.</p>				
UG0365	Green corridor through the new 'Wickets' residential development	Residential allocation in UDP	Green Space	Wentworth	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of amenity open space being provided as part of adjacent residential development which lies beneath overhead power cables (limiting development opportunities). As such it is proposed to re-allocate the site from residential to green space. It is a linear series of open spaces of mown grass land and tree planting which will provide wildlife habitat opportunities. Footpaths are also being provided along with a multi-use games area. The linear nature of the site provides linkages for surrounding communities into the countryside. It provides an amenity and informal recreation role and a break in the urban environment, a linear routeway linking urban areas to the surrounding countryside as well as biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				
UG0377	Green strip of land to rear of properties on Muirfield Avenue and railway line	Business use allocation in the UDP	Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site consists of natural vegetation including unmaintained grassland and mature trees and shrubs which will provide wildlife habitat opportunities. It adjoins the railway line to the east and is bounded by residential development to the west. The site has been considered as part of the local plan process (LDF396). To the south land is to be retained within the business use allocation, and to the north land associated with the railway station is allocated for community use. This remaining vegetated area is to be allocated as Green Space.</p> <p>It provides an amenity role as a break in the urban environment and a green lung within a densely developed residential, as well as biodiversity habitat functions serving the surrounding area.</p>				



# Sites referred to in assessment which have been considered in Local Plan preparation



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UG0224	Land behind properties west of Mansfield Road, Wales Bar	Allocated as Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Allocate as Greenspace	Rother	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site is in Wales Parish Council ownership, is publicly accessible and has been assessed for potential residential development: LDF0554; it was rejected at Stage 1 of the site allocation selection process and reported in Part 2 of the Integrated Impact Assessment 2016. Assessed in the Greenspace Audit as Amenity Greenspace Low Quality / Low Value.</p> <p>This site has a number of low-key functions at present, informal sports facilities; garages/parking to r/o properties; private gardens and allotments. No suitable means of access available. It is not the best located in terms of its relationship with the main part of the settlement of Wales. A scheme to prepare usable community greenspace was undertaken by Groundwork Cresswell in the late 1990's on behalf of Wales Parish Council. The site provides a safe and accessible informal recreational area for the adjoining residential properties, and a setting for the adjacent built development. It contributes to the health and quality of life of the local community providing a green lung within a heavily urbanised environment given the location on the junction of the A618 and the B6059.</p> <p>Retain as Green Space given the reasons outlined above and it being within the Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Rother.</p>				
UG0225	Strip of land north of School Road, over M1 motorway	Allocated Urban Greenspace in the UDP either side of the road:- which is itself allocated residential	Allocated Green Space either side of the road which is itself allocated residential	Chesterfield Canal	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>UG0225 and UG0226 are allocated Green Space either side of the B6059 highway allocated residential. These two sites act as amenity buffer zones for the M1 that cuts through this area and is within a cutting. This area is within a designated Air Quality Management Area. This greenspace highway verge and is well wooded and links to a defined linear routeway it reduces the impacts of climate change, using vegetation to cool the environment. Its allocation supports the natural and ecological processes integral to the health and quality of life of sustainable communities through buffering of significant motorway activity.</p> <p>The Council does not consider it appropriate to allocate this Urban Greenspace as Green Belt as this would also require the road (currently allocated residential) to be re-allocated to Green Belt and would sever the most western part of Wales and Wales Bar / Waleswood from Wales/ Kiveton Park to the east creating a standalone settlement contrary to the Unitary</p>				

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	development Plan and to the emerging Rotherham Local Plan.  Retain as Green Space given the reasons outlined above and it being within the Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Chesterfield Canal.				
UG0226	Strip of land south of School Road, over M1 motorway	Allocated Urban Greenspace in the UDP either side of the road:- which is itself allocated residential	Allocated Green Space either side of the road which is itself allocated residential	Chesterfield Canal	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>UG0225 and UG0226 are allocated Green Space either side of the B6059 highway allocated residential. These two sites act as amenity buffer zones for the M1 that cuts through this area and is within a cutting. This area is within a designated Air Quality Management Area. This greenspace highway verge and is well wooded and links to a defined linear routeway it reduces the impacts of climate change, using vegetation to cool the environment. Its allocation supports the natural and ecological processes integral to the health and quality of life of sustainable communities through buffering of significant motorway activity.</p> <p>The Council does not consider it appropriate to allocate this Urban Greenspace as Green Belt as this would also require the road (currently allocated residential) to be re-allocated to Green Belt and would sever the most western part of Wales and Wales Bar / Waleswood from Wales/ Kiveton Park to the east creating a standalone settlement contrary to the Unitary development Plan and to the emerging Rotherham Local Plan.</p> <p>Retain as Green Space given the reasons outlined above and it being within the Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Chesterfield Canal.</p>				
UG0228	Recreation ground and allotments to south of Wales Road.	Allocated as Urban Greenspace in the UDP used for formal sports, + tennis courts + bowling green pavilion + informal recreation (including MUGA and playground) +	Allocate as Green Space	Chesterfield Canal	No

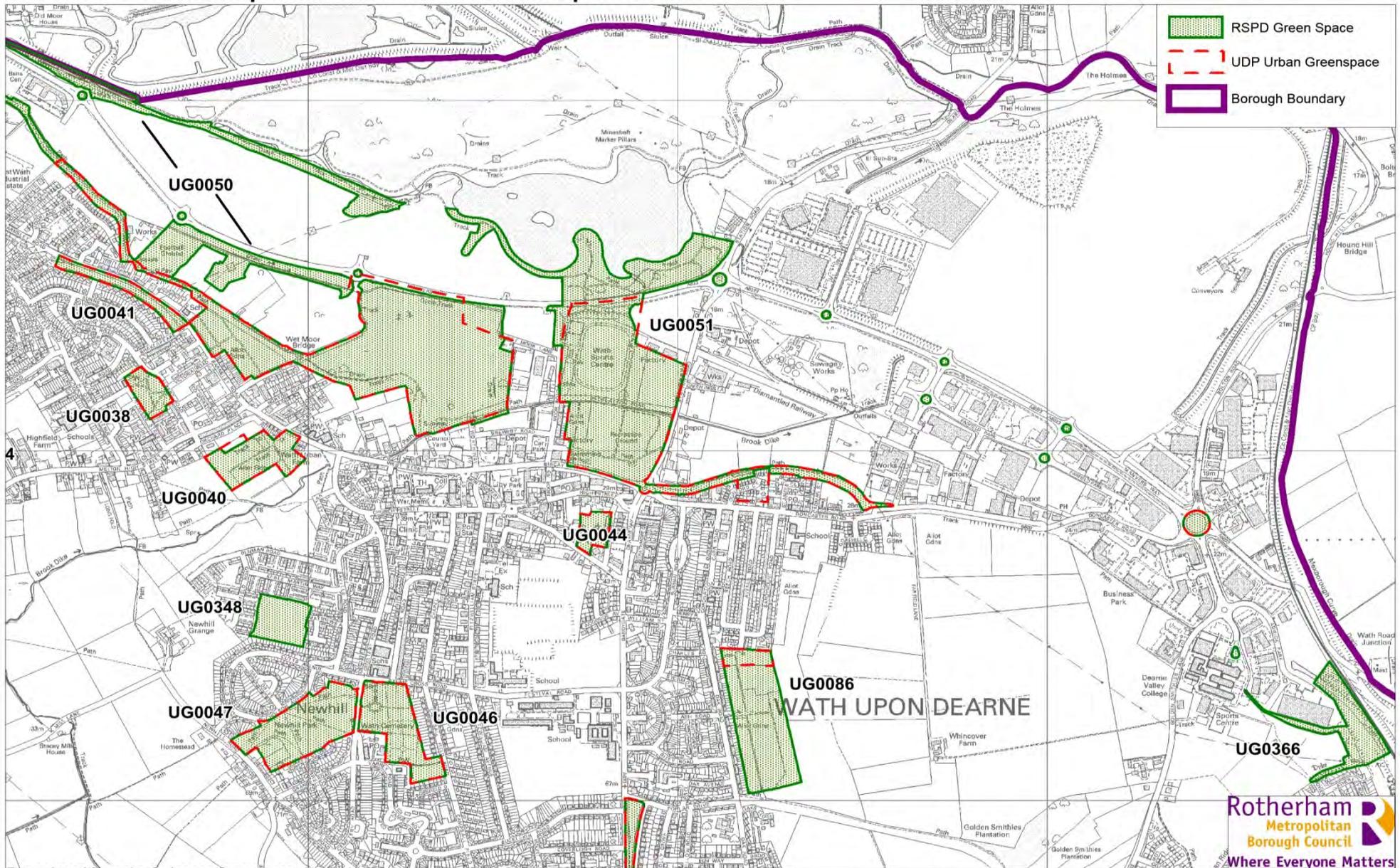
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		allotments + associated car parking to serve these and adjacent community facilities Village Hall and Library. PROW cross the site			
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The majority of the Wales Recreation Ground is within Wales Parish Council ownership. Assessed in the Greenspace Audit as outdoor sports Low Quality / High Value.</p> <p>The allotment land now disused and in private ownership to the north east of the site, has been assessed by the Council LDF0477 wherein the major constraint to development was noted as access, there being no suitable means of vehicular access without additional land/demolition. The site is adjacent to Kiveton town centre but the 2011 borough wide Retail and Leisure Study did not identify the need for significant additional retail floor space in this location. The site is rated amber in the surface water flood assessment. In the light of these constraints it is proposed to retain this allocation of LDF0477 as Green Space. The aerial photograph identifies a number of mature trees on site.</p> <p>Retain as Green Space given the reasons outlined above and it being within the Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Chesterfield Canal.</p>				
UG0229	Allotments to north of Wales Road	Allocated as Urban Greenspace in the Unitary Development Plan	Allocate as Green Space	Chesterfield Canal	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>Considered as LDF0478, within the site allocation selection process, this site is allocated as Urban Greenspace in the Unitary Development Plan and in use as allotments, residential gardens, garages and car parking. There may be problems of multiple land owners on site and deliverability of a comprehensive scheme may be an issue if the site were to be proposed as a development site allocation.</p> <p>Reference to the Site Allocations Assessment concludes: Aside from its existing uses, the main constraint to development is a lack of access, noting that there is no suitable means of vehicular access available without additional land/demolition. If development is proposed then there is a need to ensure that adequate car parking (and garage spaces) be provided to the</p>				

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	residents fronting immediately onto Wales Road and to the retention and provision of well-maintained landscaped gardens for the benefit of the local community who currently have a small yard to the rear of their properties.  The site provides a break within the urban environment and given its linkage to the community education facility, Wales Comprehensive School Playing Field and woodland to the north, provides a green link/ wildlife corridor to the open countryside in Green Belt, further to the north. The allotments provide a leisure facility to the community which contributes towards health, quality of life, sense of place and overall well-being.  Retain as Green Space given the reasons outlined above, the site having been assessed in the site allocation selection process and it being rejected for alternative residential allocation and it being within the Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Chesterfield Canal.				
UG0230	Strip of land along railway line adjacent to Wales High School	Allocated as Urban Greenspace in the UDP.	Allocate as Green Space	Chesterfield Canal	Yes –the Council proposes that this Green Space allocation should be re-allocated to Green Belt as it clearly performs a Green Belt function: to check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas and to prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another. In accord with paragraph 80 of the NPPF.
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This land allocated as Urban Greenspace in the adopted Unitary Development Plan, is woodland in a cutting, buffering the live rail line and the adjacent community education (Wales Comprehensive School) land use. Whilst the Council supports the continuing allocation of this site as Green Space given the amenity buffer function it performs; it being part of a linear green and open space corridor that is well wooded and supports the movement of wildlife along the corridor and its contribution to mitigating the impacts of climate change; the Council is now proposing that this Green Space be allocated as Green Belt given that it separates the community education function to the south- west from the Green Belt – open countryside allocation to north and east of this site and clearly performs a Green Belt function to check urban sprawl, and assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment and prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another (Kiveton Park with Todwick).</p> <p>If re-allocation to Green Belt is not possible at this stage then the council supports retaining as Green Space given the reasons outlined above, and it being within the Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Chesterfield Canal.</p>				
UG0231	Allotments to east of properties on Wesley Road, Kiveton	Allocated as Urban Greenspace in the UDP.	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for</b>	Considered as LDF0473, within the site allocation selection process, this site is allocated as Urban Greenspace in the Unitary				

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<b>Allocation:</b>	<p>Development Plan and in use as allotments, although use is sporadic with pockets of trees on site. Reference to the Site Allocations Assessment concludes: Out of the three allotments in this area (accessed from Wesley Road), this is the best located in terms of its relationship to the existing urban form. The other two allotments are Green Belt and if rationalisation were to happen with the three allotments off Wesley Rd, this would be the best one to develop. However there are significant concerns regarding access into all of these allotment gardens given the substandard access from Wesley Road, there is no suitable means of vehicular access available without additional land/demolition.</p> <p>The allotments provide a leisure facility to the community which contributes towards health, quality of life, sense of place and overall well-being although usage at the moment is limited they do provide a break / green lung in the urban environment.</p> <p>Retain as Green Space given the reasons outlined above.</p>				
UG0234	Kiveton Park Colliery Sports pitches: Cricket ground + football ground + pavilion	Allocated as Urban Greenspace in UDP	Allocate as Green Space + small portion to east as residential	Chesterfield Canal	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The Sports facilities appear to be well maintained and in use. The site to east LDF0547 has been assessed in the site selection process and it is proposed to re-allocate the Urban Greenspace in this location to residential H92; to reflect the planning permission granted.</p> <p>Retain the remainder of the sports grounds as Green Space within the emerging RSPD.</p>				
UG0236	Allotments off Colliery Road	Allocated as Urban Greenspace in UDP + linear strip from Colliery Road south, to the Cuckoo Way along the line of the Chesterfield Canal	Allocate as Green Space + the linear strip to south as residential	Chesterfield Canal	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>Allocated as Urban Greenspace in the UDP; designated use allotments. Allotment use is sporadic and there is evidence of buildings/ portacabins on site. There are significant concerns regarding access into these allotment gardens given the substandard access from Colliery Road. Allotments provide a leisure facility to the community which contributes towards health, quality of life, sense of place and overall well-being although usage at the moment is limited the green space does provide a break in the urban environment.</p>				

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	<p>Retain as Green Space given the reasons outlined above, and it being within the Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Chesterfield Canal.</p> <p>Bridleway No 34 runs north south through the Urban Greenspace allocated in the UDP, however development of properties and the intrusion of rear gardens into this Urban Greenspace has necessitated a change to this linear allocation to residential to reflect the residential development that has occurred along McKenzie Way and Mackinnon Avenue (land off Chapel Way).</p>				
UG0327	Wales Hall Farm, Wales	Allocated Green Belt in the UDP	Green Space + safeguarded land site to south.	Chesterfield Canal	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site has been assessed in the Green Belt Review 2016 and assessed in the site selection process: LDF0557. The site is grassland, heavily treed to west and southern boundaries. The western half of the site is within the Wales Conservation Area and there is a tree preservation order to the south of the site. It adjoins listed church of St John the Baptist (Grade II*) and any future development would cause a significant impact to the setting of the church and conservation area. No suitable means of vehicular access available.</p> <p>As land is proposed to be released from the Green Belt to the south of this site, as safeguarded land SG14, this area will become an "island of Green Belt" which is contrary to the guidance contained in National Planning Policy Framework. Therefore it is proposed that, should other Green Belt releases take place this site shall be allocated as Green Space to protect the setting of the Church and the trees within the Conservation Area.</p>				
UG0346	Cricket ground rear of Waleswood Villas	Allocated Green Belt in the adopted UDP.	Green Space, adjacent employment development site (E32)	Chesterfield Canal	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site has been assessed in the Green Belt Review 2016, as land to the east was proposed to be released from the Green Belt as employment land allocation E32. With the allocation of E32, this area would become an "island of Green Belt" which is contrary to the guidance contained in National Planning Policy Framework. Therefore it is proposed that, should other Green Belt releases take place this site shall be allocated as Green Space to protect its function as a recreational cricket ground. However, if the HS2 Safeguarding Direction requires the deletion of employment land allocation E32 from the RSPD the Council will wish to retain this site as Green Belt as per its current UDP status.</p>				

# Areas of Green Space > 0.4 hectares - Wath upon Dearne

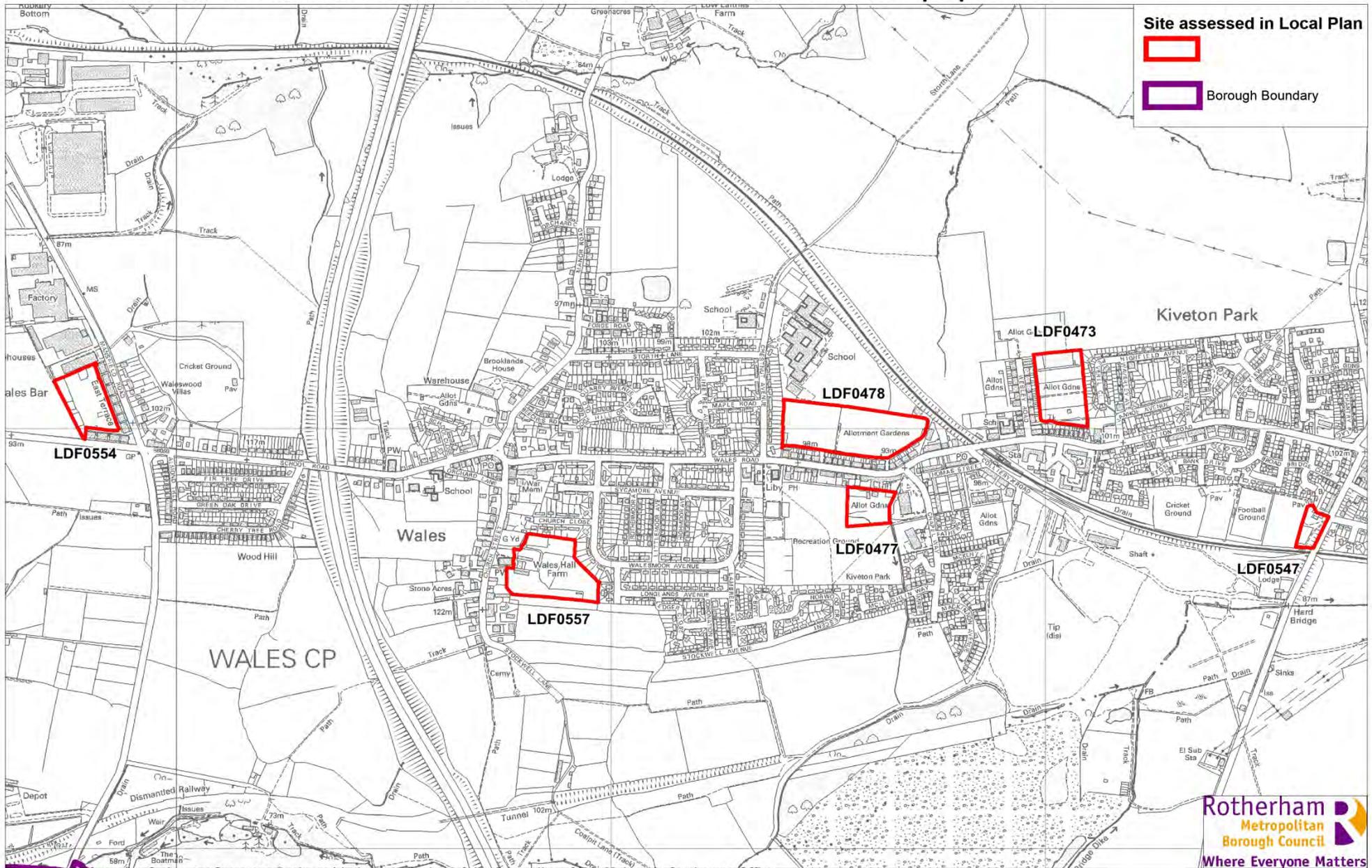


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UG0038	Foot-path area between Albert Road and Princess Street	Informal amenity greenspace allocated Urban Greenspace in UDP	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site is in Council ownership, is publicly accessible and has been assessed for potential residential development: LDF0272; it was rejected at Stage 1 of the site allocation selection process and reported in Part 2 of the Integrated Impact Assessment 2016. Assessed within the Greenspace Audit as Amenity Greenspace of Low Quality / High Value; it is an existing recreational area that performs an important function as a green lung within a densely developed residential area and is well used by local residents. There are a small number of mature trees on site. It provides a safe and accessible green space to meet local needs of people living nearby.</p> <p>It is proposed to retain the site as Green Space.</p>				
UG0040	Wath Urban Farm + allotments	Allocated Urban Greenspace in UDP	Allocate as Green Space and small part as residential	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The majority of this site is allotment land and Wath Urban Farm. A small proportion of the site has been assessed as part of LDF0268 / H44 which is promoted as a residential development site; the site summary acknowledges that there are identified constraints including the need to relocate the occupants of the allotments this may reduce the site's developable area. However the density for development of housing site H44 is assumed as 30 dpha.</p> <p>The majority of the UDP allocated urban greenspace should be retained as Green Space given the current usage on site which contributes to the health and quality of life of sustainable communities and promotes social, health and mental well-being; it supports environmental education (through the urban farm); promotes accessibility to natural green spaces given its proximity to the adjacent Green Belt in Flatts Valley; and provides a place for recreation close to the urban centre. This site contributes to the network of multi-functional green space which supports natural and ecological processes.</p>				
UG0041	Thin strip of land fronting properties on Barnsley Road	Structural Landscaping allocated as Urban Greenspace in UDP	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The Green Space in this locality performs an irreplaceable amenity function and supports the setting of the properties in this locality. It provides a strong element in the architectural and urban aesthetic form of this neighbourhood. There are mature</p>				

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	<p>trees on this Green Space.</p> <p>Assessed in the Green Space Audit as: amenity greenspace of High Quality / High Value.</p> <p>For the reasons outlined above retain as Green Space</p>				
UG0044	Strathmore House gardens and play area	Allocated as Urban Greenspace in the UDP and used as community park.	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The northern two thirds of this green space have been assessed as part of the sider Site Allocation Suggestion: LDF0354 High Street Wath. This Site Allocation Suggestion includes a number of current allocations including Wath town centre, community allocations, residential allocations and urban greenspace. These uses remain appropriate in this location and it is proposed in the SA / site allocation selection process that the existing allocations remain unchanged.</p> <p>UG0044 has been assessed in the Greenspace Audit as High Quality / Low Value park.</p> <p>There are a number of mature trees on site and children's / young people's play and other facilities. The wider area is heavily urbanised and this Green Space provides a break in the urban environment that contribute towards health, quality of life, sense of place and overall well-being. This park is within the Conservation Area and contributes to the setting of the historic environment provide a strong element in the architectural and aesthetic form of the Conservation Area and assists in maintaining features of landscape and heritage value.</p> <p>For the reasons outlined above retain as Green Space.</p>				
UG0046	Wath Cemetery + informal open space with informal pedestrian links to south	Allocated Urban Greenspace in UDP: cemetery + informal open space	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>Wath Cemetery assessed in the Greenspace Audit as High Quality / High Value; informal green space to south: Campsall Field Road assessed in Greenspace Audit as amenity greenspace of Low Quality / Low Value.</p> <p>This is an important open space within the built-up area whose open character it is important to retain. It provides a break in the densely built urban environment. The southern parcel provides a safe and accessible recreational area for the adjoining</p>				

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	residential properties, and a setting for the adjacent built development. Both sites contribute to the health and quality of life of the local community providing a green lung within a densely built urban environment.				
	For the reasons outlined above retain as Green Space				
UG0047	Newhill Park	Park; Allocated Urban Greenspace in UDP	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	Assessed in the Greenspace Audit as Low Quality / High Value Neighbourhood Park. There are a number of mature trees on site and this green space links to the Green Belt and open countryside to the west of the site. Footpaths and bridleways to the west and south are adjacent to the site which also links to the east to UG0046 creating a corridor for wildlife and people and a green lung within the built urban environment. The site provides an accessible recreational area for the adjoining residential properties and contributes to the health and quality of life of the local community.				
	For the reasons outlined above retain the allocation as Green Space				
UG0050	Landscaped area between recent new residential developments plus allotments and footpath corridors, Manvers	Includes playing fields at points along the length of the Urban Green Space + employment land allocation + Public Right of Way: Wath Footpath No 3 and Bridleway No 37 + allotment gardens	Allocate as Green Space	Dearne	Yes - include that land that has been included within the new residential development between Skylark View and Roebuck Chase as Green Space reflecting its status as amenity green space/ children's informal play and provided for the benefit of the residents of the new estate.
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	Following the re-structuring of the Dearne Valley and the reclamation of former coal mines and railway sidings, the UDP allocated land for a mix of uses. As regeneration and re-structuring has progressed land has been identified to fulfil a structural landscaping function and support the Public Rights of Way network. Structural planting alongside roadways has been provided, and both formal sporting facilities and informal recreational space including allotment gardens; Public Rights of Way, Bridleway and informal footpaths have been protected and enhanced. Consideration has been given to providing linkages between green spaces; to the creation of people and wildlife corridors, and to provide an attractive setting for inward investment.				

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	<p>Two sites have been assessed in the wider Green Space (see also Brampton and West Melton assessment): LDF0260 + LDF0744 as part of the SA and site selection process.</p> <p>LDF0744 is used as a football ground and is floodlit. Part of the site is within flood zone 2 and there are concerns about access to Barnsley Road. Natural England commented: as a “partner in the Dearne Valley Eco Vision, which seeks to transform the Dearne Valley into the lowest carbon community of its kind. There are opportunities for the sites within the Dearne Valley to contribute to the Dearne Valley Eco Vision by encouraging high quality sustainable design, incorporating green infrastructure and features to help mitigate and adapt to climate change”. This site contributes to the GI setting of the Dearne Valley Eco Vision and it is proposed to allocate as Green Space.</p> <p>The Greenspace Audit assessed the Wath Tip site in the east of the Green Space Allocation as natural greenspace of High Quality / High Value. The Greenspace Audit assessed a significantly larger area including land to the west of the bridleway and now developed for residential purposes. The Audit also assessed a linear strip of Greenspace: Moorland View natural site as Low Quality/ High Value within which the PROW footpath No 3 runs. Include that land that has been included within the new residential development between Skylark View and Roebuck Chase as Green Space reflecting its status as amenity green space/ children’s informal play and provided for the benefit of the residents of the new estate.</p> <p>For the reasons outlined above allocate as Green Space and continue to reflect its status as being within a Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Dearne. It is also considered that the allocation provides an irreplaceable amenity buffer function along the road infrastructure.</p>				
UG0051	Wath sports centre, recreation ground and lake footpaths in north of site	Allocated Urban Greenspace + Mixed Use in UDP	Allocate as Green Space	Dearne	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>Following the re-structuring of the Dearne Valley and the reclamation of former coal mines and railway sidings, the UDP allocated land for a mix of uses. As regeneration and re-structuring has progressed land has been identified to fulfil a structural landscaping function and support the Public Rights of Way network. Structural planting alongside roadways and alongside Manvers lakeside has been provided, and both formal sporting facilities including golf course (Waterfront Golf Club) and informal recreational space including allotment gardens and Public Rights of Way and informal footpaths have been protected and enhanced. Consideration has been given to providing linkages between green spaces and to the creation of people and wildlife corridors, and to provide an attractive setting for inward investment. Substantial tree and shrub planting also provides links for wildlife to the open countryside to the north and to RSPB Reserve: Old Moor, just north of the Borough Boundary in Barnsley Borough.</p>				

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	<p>Land to south of Manvers Way: assessed within the Greenspace Audit as Community Park High Quality / High Value. Land to north of Manvers Way: assessed within the Greenspace Audit as Manvers Lake and surrounds: High Quality / High Value.</p> <p>The land allocated Green Space, north of Manvers Way reflects the restructuring of this wider area. The Green Space allocation reflects its status as being within a Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Dearne and the scores from the Greenspace Audit. The Green Space in this locality performs an irreplaceable amenity function buffering the Green Belt to the north and also in relation to the road infrastructure.</p>				
UG0086	Oak Road allotments	Urban Greenspace to north of this allocation + Green Belt to south (predominantly in use as allotments)	Allocate as Green Space. Safeguarded Land site adjacent to the east	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site is proposed to be included within the Green Space allocation following the identification of land to east (LDF0298) as Safeguarded Land SG5. The identification of this site as Green Space will have been considered in the Detailed Green belt Review 2016, to prevent an island of Green Belt, detached from the wider countryside, being created. The land performs a function as allotment gardens. Whilst there is some under-usage of the allotment gardens, the land is grassed and informal paths cross the site. The allotments provide a leisure facility to the community which contributes towards health, quality of life, sense of place and overall well-being.</p> <p>Land allocated as Urban Greenspace in UDP, in north of site has been assessed in the Greenspace Audit as a local park of Low Quality/ High Value.</p> <p>Assessed as LDF0299 as part of the SA and site selection process: Allotment gardens, secure garage site for local residents, children's play facilities and recreational green space. The existing allotments are well used and well laid out. A number of allotments appear to be in use and any future residential development in the area will most likely give rise to an increased demand for allotments. It is recommended to retain whole site in current uses to accommodate future demand for allotments, retain secure garage site for local residents and the children's play facilities although vehicular and pedestrian access may be required through the site if development of the wider Wath urban extension proceeds to the east at SG5.</p> <p>Allocate the site as Green Space in recognition of the allotment function on site, and the need to preserve this activity in this location and change in adjacent land uses.</p>				

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UG0348	Enclosed square of land near Newhill Grange	Allocated Residential Use in UDP	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>Assessed as LDF0336 as part of the SA and site selection process: This site is allocated for residential use and is currently in use as open space. The site previously had planning permission (2007 - now lapsed) to develop new housing around the periphery of the site to provide "security" for the open space which was to be developed as a park. The site has been used for football in the past. There are no major constraints to this development but planning permission has lapsed. In recognition of its previous formal sports use it is proposed that the site is allocated as Green Space.</p> <p>Assessed in the Greenspace Audit as outdoor sports (previously used as a football ground) of Low Quality/ High Value.</p> <p>Allocate the site as Green Space in recognition of the re-development / regeneration of the wider Wath White Bear Estate, for residential purposes and the need to retain an area of open space for outdoor sporting activity.</p>				
UG0366	Wooded area to east of Adwick Park employment area, north of Bow Broom residential area.	Allocated employment and education in the UDP	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>Following the re-structuring of the Dearne Valley and the reclamation of former coal mines and railway sidings, the UDP allocated land for a mix of uses including employment opportunities within an Enterprise Zone, and the building of a new further education at Dearne Valley College at land off Golden Smithies Lane. As regeneration and re-structuring has progressed land has been identified to fulfil a structural landscaping function and support the Public Rights of Way network. Structural landscaping supports and provides a landscape setting for the built form in this location. Significant tree growth on the site also ensures that the site performs an amenity buffer function to the adjacent rail lines and connects to the Green Belt (adjacent) to the south and east, providing a wildlife corridor. This informal natural green space supports and protects the rural nature of the Public Rights of Way network on the western boundary of the site, adjacent to the community facility (Dearne Valley College).</p> <p>Assessed within the Greenspace Audit as natural greenspace which rates the site as High Quality/ High Value.</p> <p>Allocate the site as Green Space in recognition of the woodland growth and the positive benefits for both wildlife and climate change/ air quality mitigation; its connectivity to the Green Belt and the Borough boundary - Mexborough in Doncaster MBC lies to the east; providing an amenity buffer to the adjacent rail line and providing a structural landscape setting for development. It is considered important to maintain this important open space and its open character. Along with the Green</p>				

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	Belt designated in this area this Green Space provides an important break in the urban environment providing a linear green link to open countryside to the north east.				

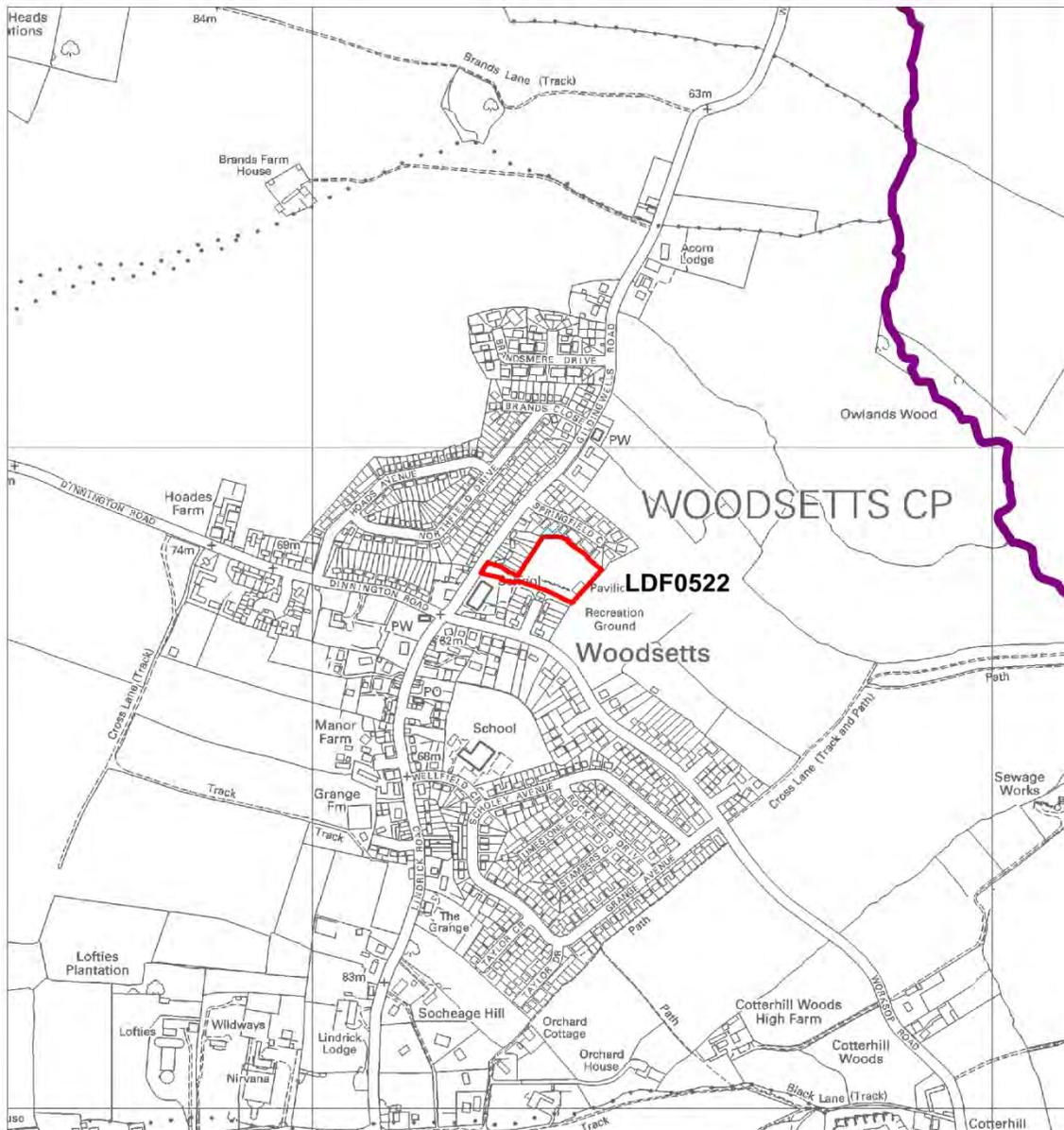


# Sites referred to in assessment which have been considered in Local Plan preparation (Woodsetts)

Site assessed in Local Plan

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 Borough Boundary



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UG0026	Allotment gardens east of Occupation Road, Harley	Allotments Allocated as Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Allocate as Green Space	Wentworth	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	This site sits adjacent to the Green Belt and comprises informal open space which functions as allotment gardens. The allotments provide a leisure facility to the community which contributes towards health, quality of life, sense of place and overall well-being. There is a clear boundary hedge separating the site from the surrounding fields which are within the Green Belt. Retain as Green Space which reflects its status as being within a Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Wentworth.				
UG0240	Partly wooded area south of Blackburn Primary School, inc electric sub-station	Wooded area Allocated as Urban Greenspace in the UDP	Allocated as Green Space	Wentworth (partially)	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>This site was allocated as Urban Greenspace in the UDP and this allocation is proposed to be carried over to the Local Plan. The site comprises of a verge between New Droppingwell Road and Droppingwell Road/Blackburn Lane, and a wooded site between New Droppingwell Road and the Blackburn Primary School. The wooded area provides a buffer separating the primary school from the M1 and the electric sub-station on both sides of New Droppingwell Road. The site also separates two settlement areas on either side of New Droppingwell Road and provides a buffer from the road itself.</p> <p>To the south-east of New Droppingwell Road an Air Quality Management Zone has been defined. GI can assist in addressing climate change including the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, mitigation and adaptation. Furthermore, the site provides a green corridor network to the Local Wildlife Site in the Green Belt to the North-East of the site beyond Baring Road, and is partially included within the Wentworth Green Infrastructure Corridor. The North of the site is also included in a bat survey area. Land to the west of New Droppingwell Road assessed in the Greenspace Audit as natural greenspace low quality / high value.</p> <p>Retain as Green Space to reflect its status as being partially (circa 50%) within a Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor: Wentworth and the other significant functions this site performs as a break in the urban environment and its contribution to minimising the impact of climate change - it also prevents inappropriate development within a designated AQMA. It performs an irreplaceable amenity function along the motorway, buffering the adjacent residential and school uses.</p>				

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UG0253	Recreation ground and sports pavilion off Lewis Way, Woodsetts	Allocated as Urban Greenspace in UDP	Allocate as Green Space	No	No
<b>Reason for Allocation:</b>	<p>The recreation ground at Woodsetts, owned by the Parish Council, is adjacent to the Green Belt and provides a mix of formal and informal recreation and leisure use to the community. The site includes a playground, sports pavilion, a skate park, goal posts and pitches marked on the grounds, making it a well-equipped and valuable recreational facility. It is served by a car park at the end of Lewis Way and the area is accessible to the local community. The recreation ground also serves as a semi-natural open space between the residences off Springfield Close and Worksop Road.</p> <p>On the adjacent edge with Worksop Road, safety is enhanced by a low hedge barrier along a fence. There is also one Tree Preservation Order on the site. The site has a clear hedgerow boundary with the surrounding fields within the Green Belt. Land in the north-west of this site has been assessed for potential development purposes LDF0522; it is identified as high value/ low quality within the Greenspace Audit. However it is considered appropriate that the site continue to be allocated Green Space.</p>				