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Rural Audit results

1.1 The following pages detail the quantity of known open space provision within every parish, and a gap calculation in provision.

1.2 The gap calculation is based on the required amount of public open space as detailed in the Public Greenspace and Water SPD standards; as part of these standards a number of open space typologies are combined, to create an 'Informal Open Space' requirement. The combination of typologies are Amenity Space + Green Corridor + Urban Fringe + Natural open space.

1.3 For the purposes of the audit, fringe parishes surrounding Ashford are included within urban provision, as listed in Table 1 below. Boughton Aluph has been split, to allow for open space provision at Goat Lees to be calculated as urban provision, and provision at Boughton Aluph village as rural.

1.4 The results include comments received from Parishes as part of a questionnaire process.

1.5 Quantity assessment of Play, Churchyards & Outdoor Sport are considered within other strategies.

Table 1. This table applies Quantities of Open Space per typology per Parish in the Urban Area

Type	Current provision per Parish for the Urban Area					
	Ashford	Boughton Aluph (in part)	Great Chart with Singleton	Kingsnorth	Sevington	Stanhope
Strategic / Prestige Park	27.60 ha					
Natural / Semi Natural	36.82 ha		16.28 ha	8.03 ha		
Green Corridor	64.7 ha		11.37 ha		7.16 ha	
Outdoor sport	13.57 ha	6.35	5.44 ha	3.85 ha		3.2 ha
Amenity space	58.22 ha	1.52 ha	6.84 ha	28.76 ha		2.12 ha
Play areas	4.56 ha	0.10 ha	0.45 ha	0.62 ha	0.15 ha	0.36 ha
Allotment	8.43 ha		0.87 ha			
Churchyards and Closed Cemeteries	12.77 ha		0.44 ha	0.5 ha	0.18 ha	
Urban Fringe				45.12 ha		

Note: Some Parishes cross the defined Urban / Rural boundary line.

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RURAL QUANTITY ASSESSMENT

ASHFORD

2017 population estimate 54,976

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	8.43 ha	11.00 ha	2.56 ha
Informal open space	159.74 ha	109.95 ha	None
Strategic Parks	27.60 ha	16.49 ha	None

BOUGHTON ALUPH & EASTWELL (URBAN PART)

2017 population estimate 2,040

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.41 ha	0.41 ha
Informal open space	1.52 ha	4.08 ha	2.56 ha

GREAT CHART WITH SINGLETON

2017 population estimate 7,360

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0.87 ha	1.47 ha	0.60 ha
Informal open space	34.49 ha	14.72 ha	None

KINGSNORTH

2017 population estimate 12,167

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	2.43 ha	2.43 ha
Informal open space	81.92 ha	24.33 ha	None

SEVINGTON

2017 population estimate 335

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.07 ha	0.07 ha
Informal open space	7.16 ha	0.67 ha	None

STANHOPE

2017 population estimate 4402

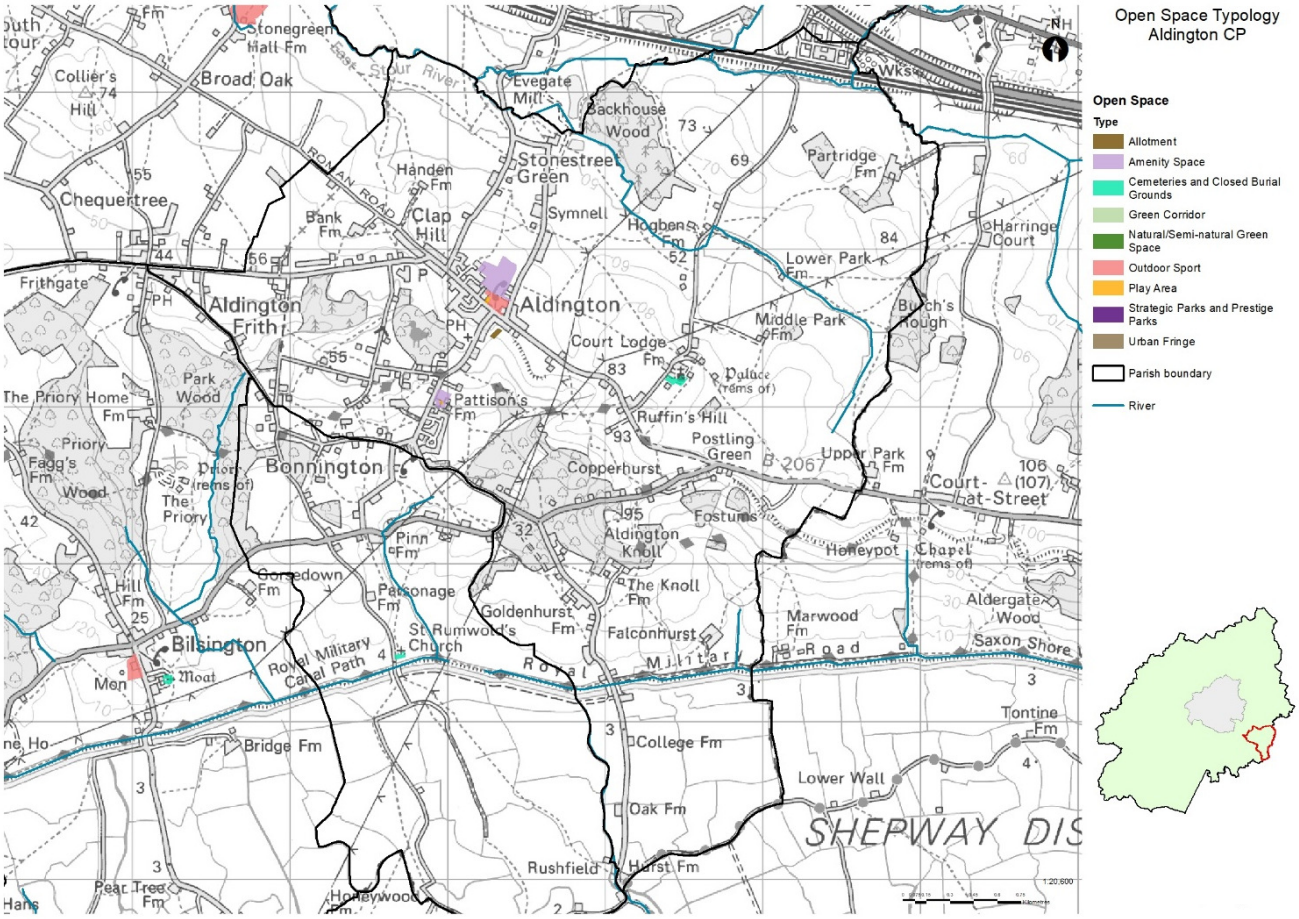
	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.88 ha	0.88 ha
Informal open space	2.12 ha	8.80 ha	6.68 ha

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Table 2. This table applies Quantities of Open Space per typology per Parish in the Rural Area

Parish	Allotments	Amenity	Play	Churchyards & Closed Cemeteries	Green Corridor	Outdoor Sport	Strategic Parks	Urban Fringe	Natural open space
Aldington	0.26	4.74	0.14	0.51		1.12			
Appledore	1.61		0.10	0.40		1.46			1.52
Bethersden		1.82	0.06	0.66		1.12			
Biddenden	0.36	1.51	0.19	1.22		3.99			9.42
Bilsington				0.32		1.19			
Bonnington				0.20					
Boughton Aluph				0.44		2.21			
Brabourne	1.10	0.77		0.43					
Brook		0.96	0.04	0.20		1.70			
Challock		6.67	0.04	1.03		2.61			145.00
Charing		2.23	0.28	0.96		3.67			2.72
Chilham		0.92	0.14	0.53		2.04			
Crundale				0.29					
Egerton		0.74	0.05	0.60		1.87			1.74
Godmersham				0.57	Not applicable for rural parishes		Not applicable for rural parishes	Not applicable for rural parishes	876.59
Hastingleigh		0.07		0.19		1.16			
High Halden		1.11	0.20	0.40		3.02			
Hothfield		0.43	0.20	0.32					56.11
Kenardington		0.19		0.29					
Little Chart		0.20	0.09	0.90		1.02			
Mersham		2.75	0.12	0.52		3.10			
Molash				0.53					
Newenden			0.06	0.21		0.95			2.45
Orlestone	0.09	1.80	0.14	0.38		2.50			93.23
Pluckley		0.94	0.12	0.55		1.32			
Rolvenden	0.69	0.47	0.06	1.10		3.79			
Ruckinge		2.22	0.03	0.37					
Shadoxhurst		0.35	0.17	0.26		1.28			
Smarden			0.10	0.40		3.76			
Smeeth			0.07	0.50		2.19			
Stone		1.20	0.12	0.53		1.53			
Tenterden	0.49	1.40	0.45	3.59		6.58			33.87
Warehorne	0.57	0.19		0.75					
Westwell		0.57	0.12	0.79					
Wittersham		3.13	0.12	0.82		2.29			
Woodchurch		0.85	0.09	0.91		1.62			
Wye	3.23	3.46	0.38	1.31		6.23			103.95

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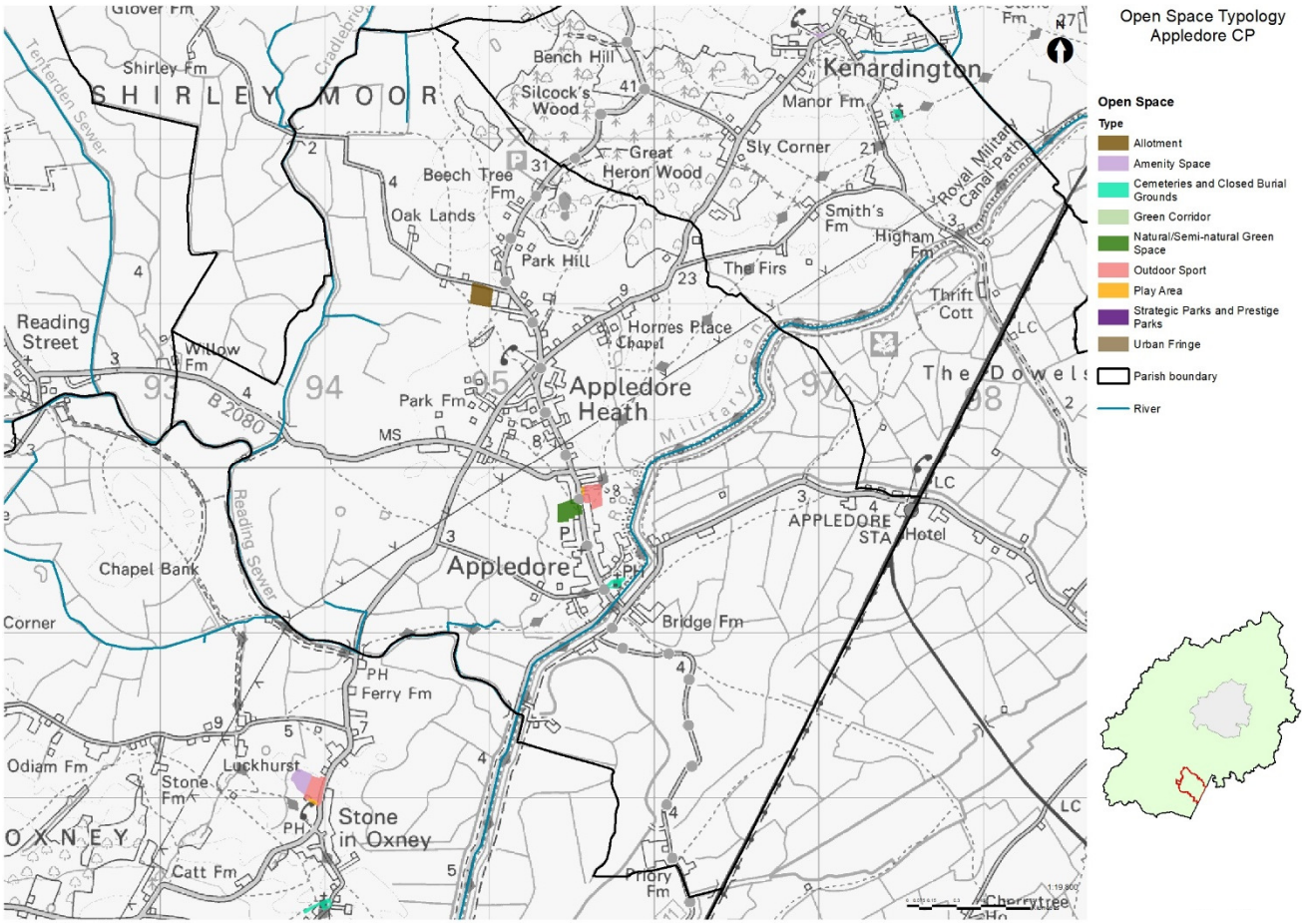


ALDINGTON & BONNINGTON

2017 population estimate 1,351

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0.26 ha	0.27 ha	0.01 ha
Informal open space	4.74 ha	2.70 ha	None

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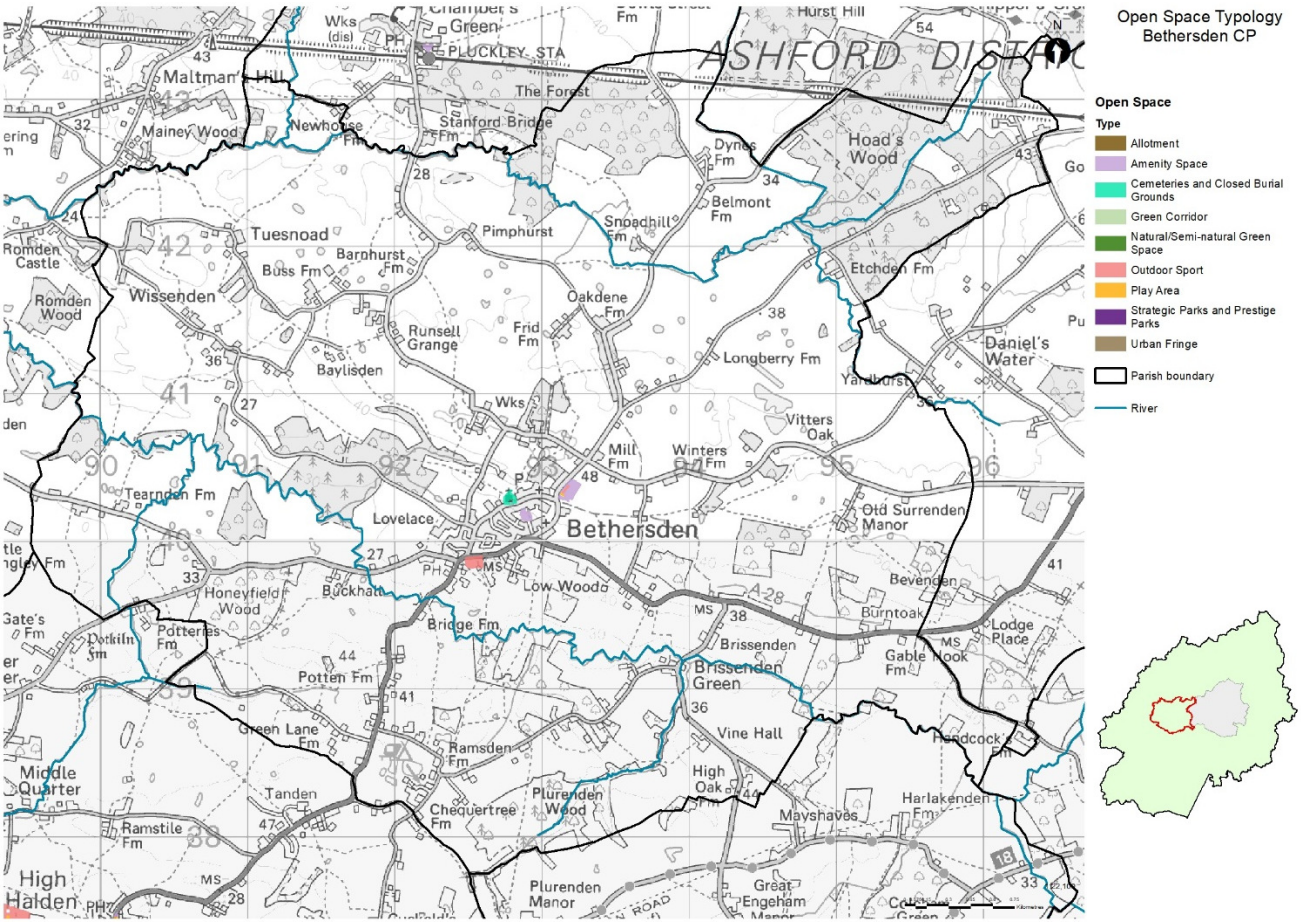


APPLEDORE

2017 population estimate 811

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	1.61 ha	0.16 ha	None
Informal open space	1.52 ha	1.62 ha	0.11 ha

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BETHERSDEN

2017 population estimate 1,603

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.32 ha	0.32 ha
Informal open space	1.82 ha	3.21 ha	1.39 ha

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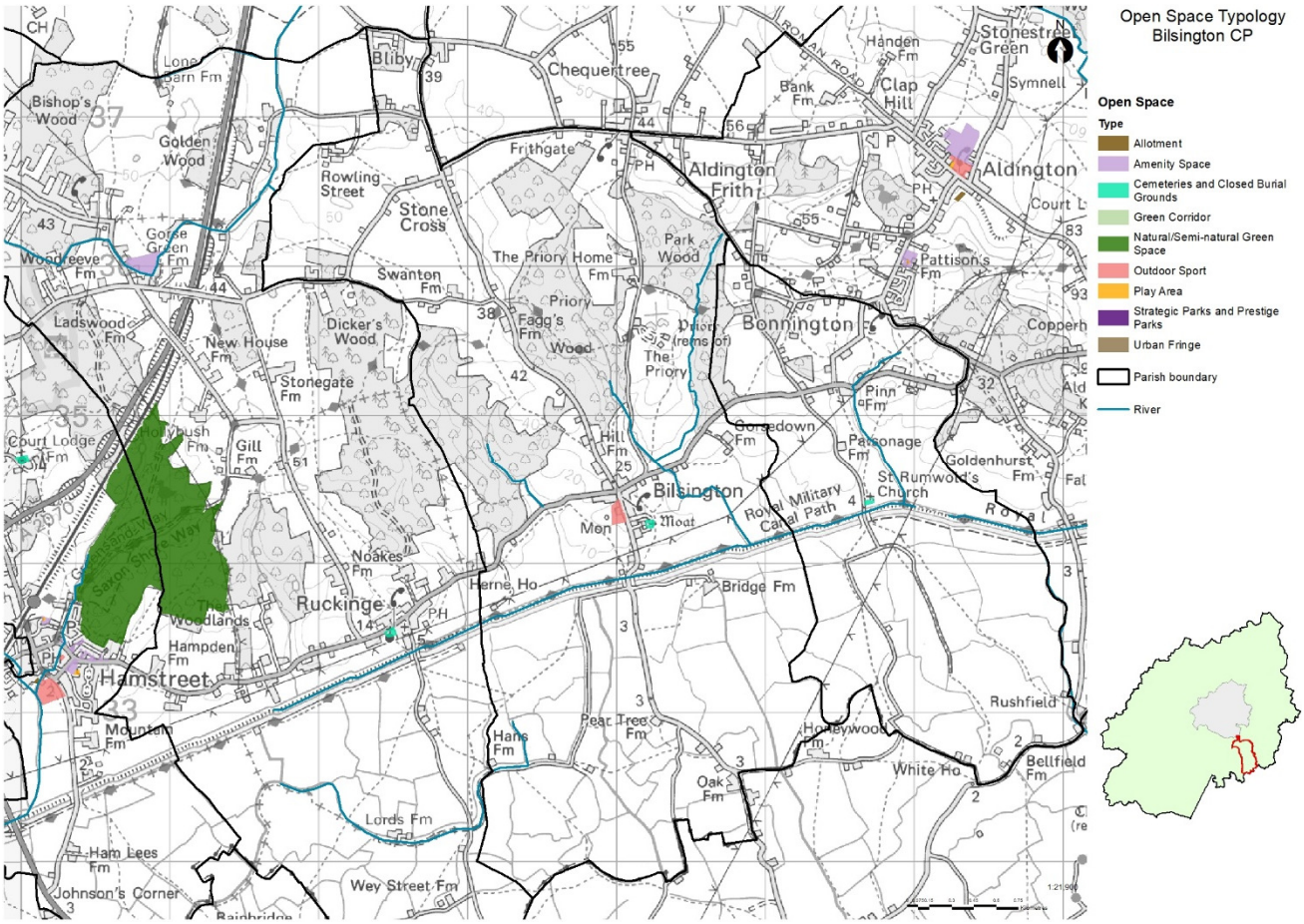


BIDDENDEN

2017 population estimate 2,786

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0.36 ha	0.56 ha	0.20 ha
Informal open space	10.93 ha	5.57 ha	None

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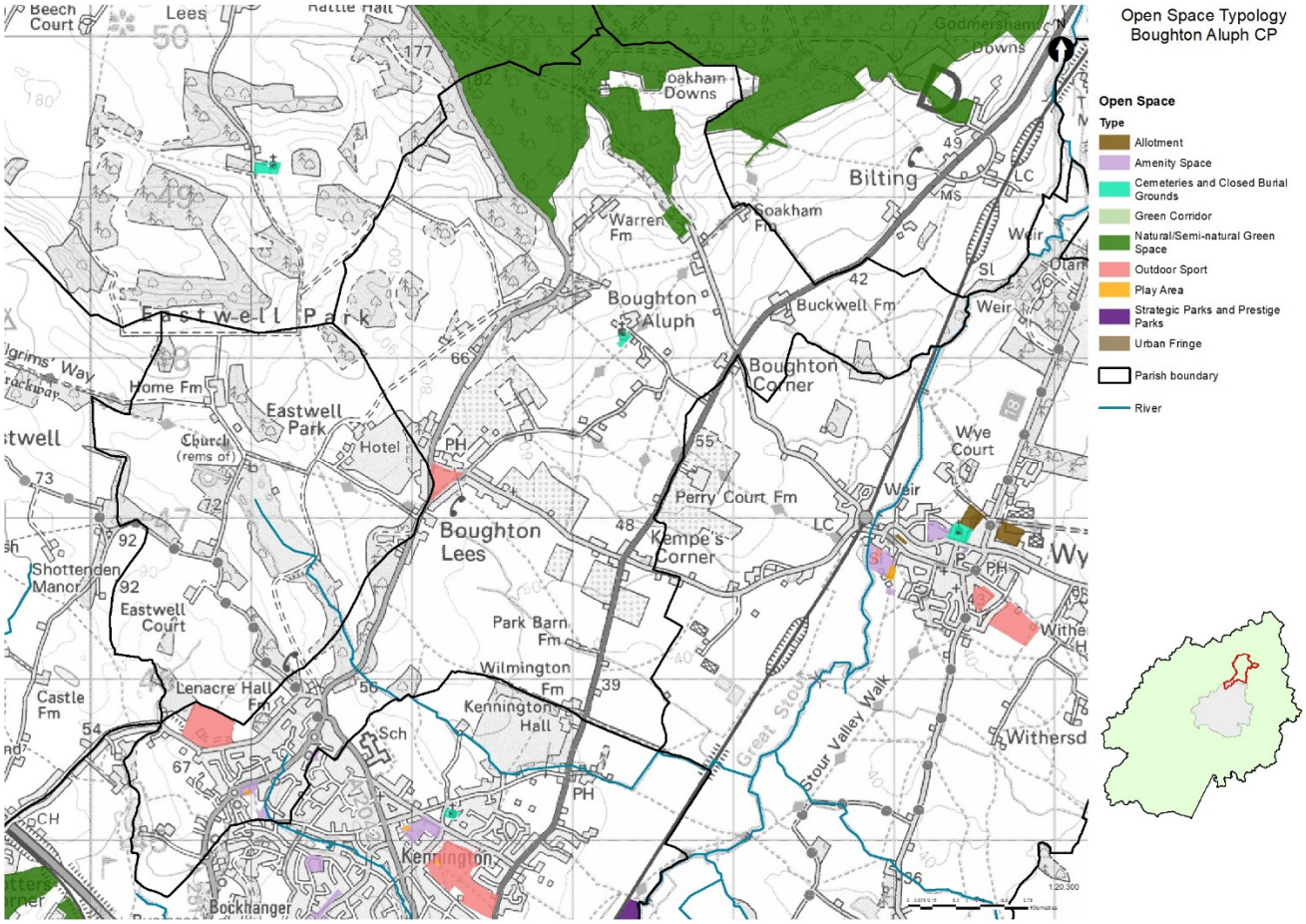


BILSINGTON

2017 population estimate 307

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.06 ha	0.06 ha
Informal open space	0 ha	0.61 ha	0.61 ha

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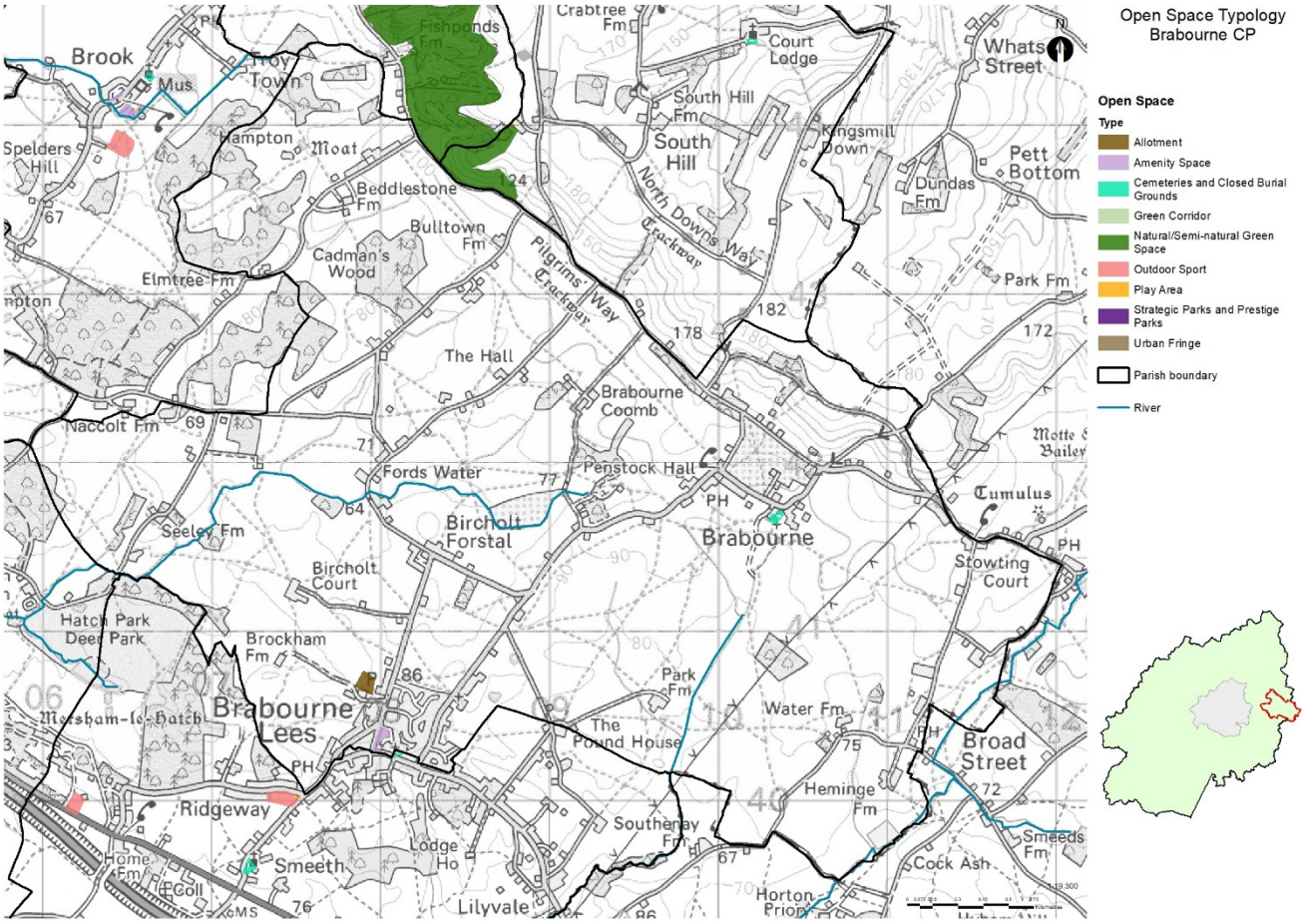


BOUGHTON ALUPH & EASTWELL (RURAL PART)

2017 population estimate 766

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.15 ha	0.15 ha
Informal open space	0 ha	1.53 ha	1.53 ha

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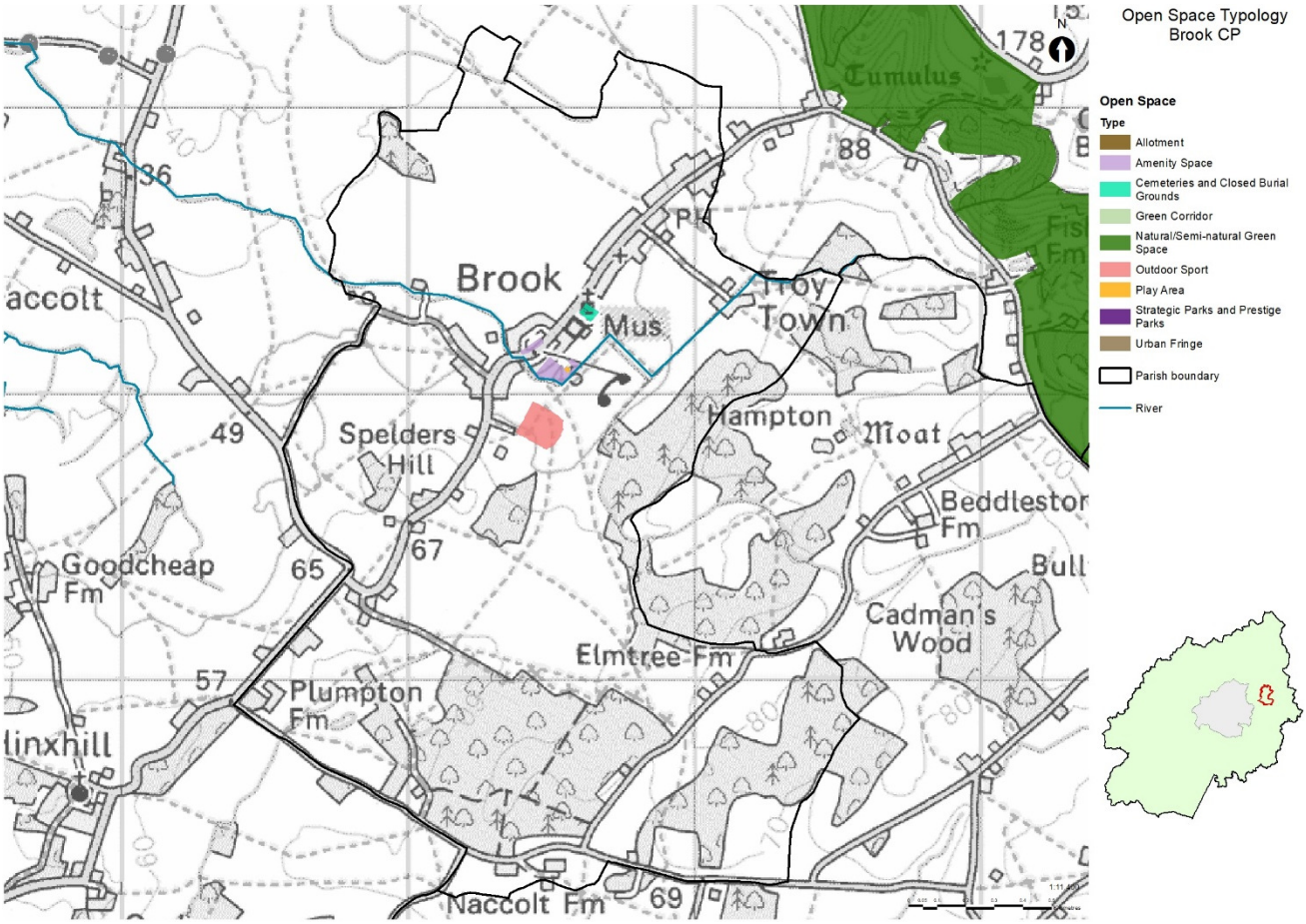


BRABOURNE

2017 population estimate 1,417

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	1.10 ha	0.28 ha	None
Informal open space	0.77 ha	2.83 ha	2.07 ha

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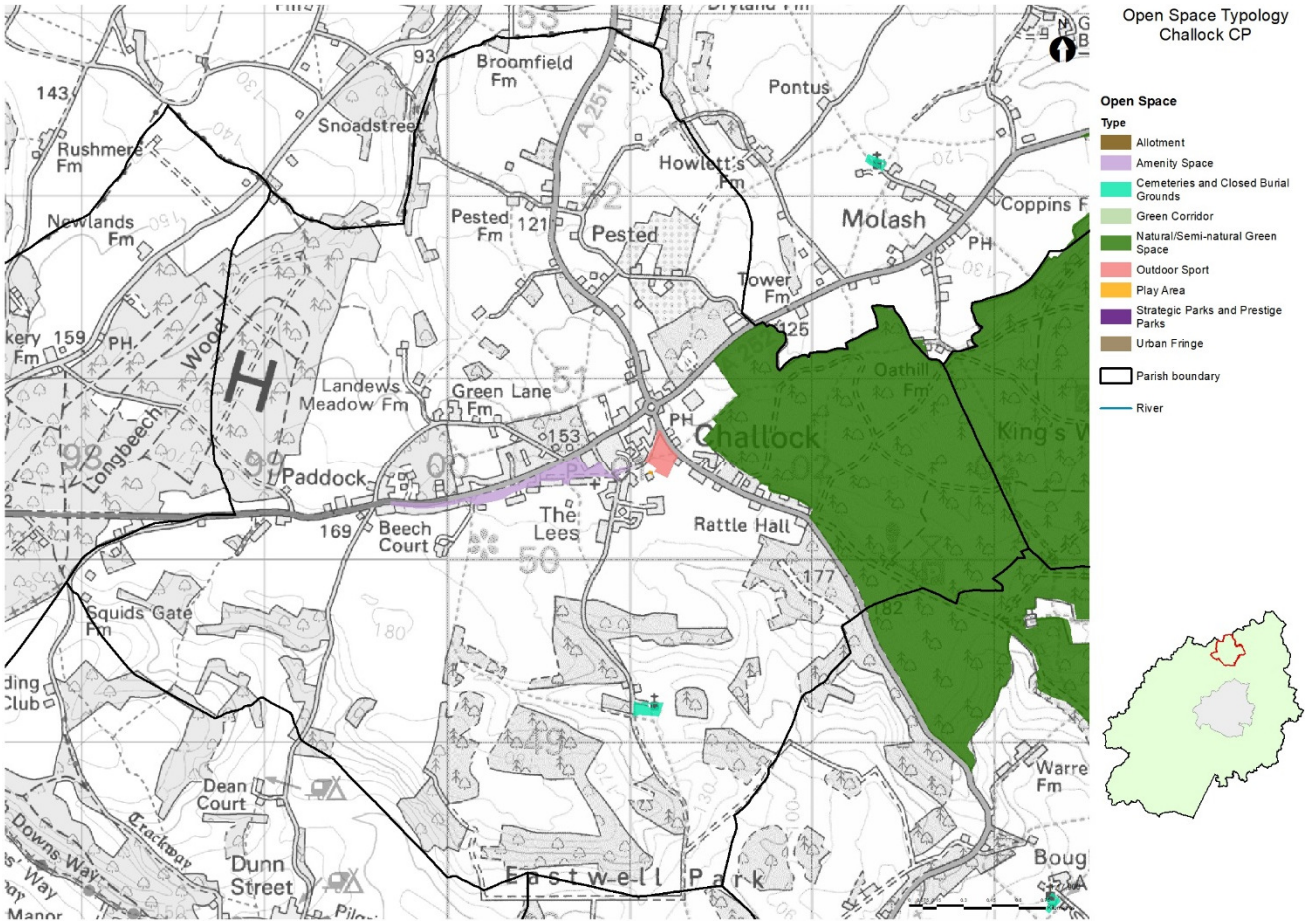


BROOK

2017 population estimate 335

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.07 ha	None
Informal open space	0.96 ha	0.67 ha	2.07 ha

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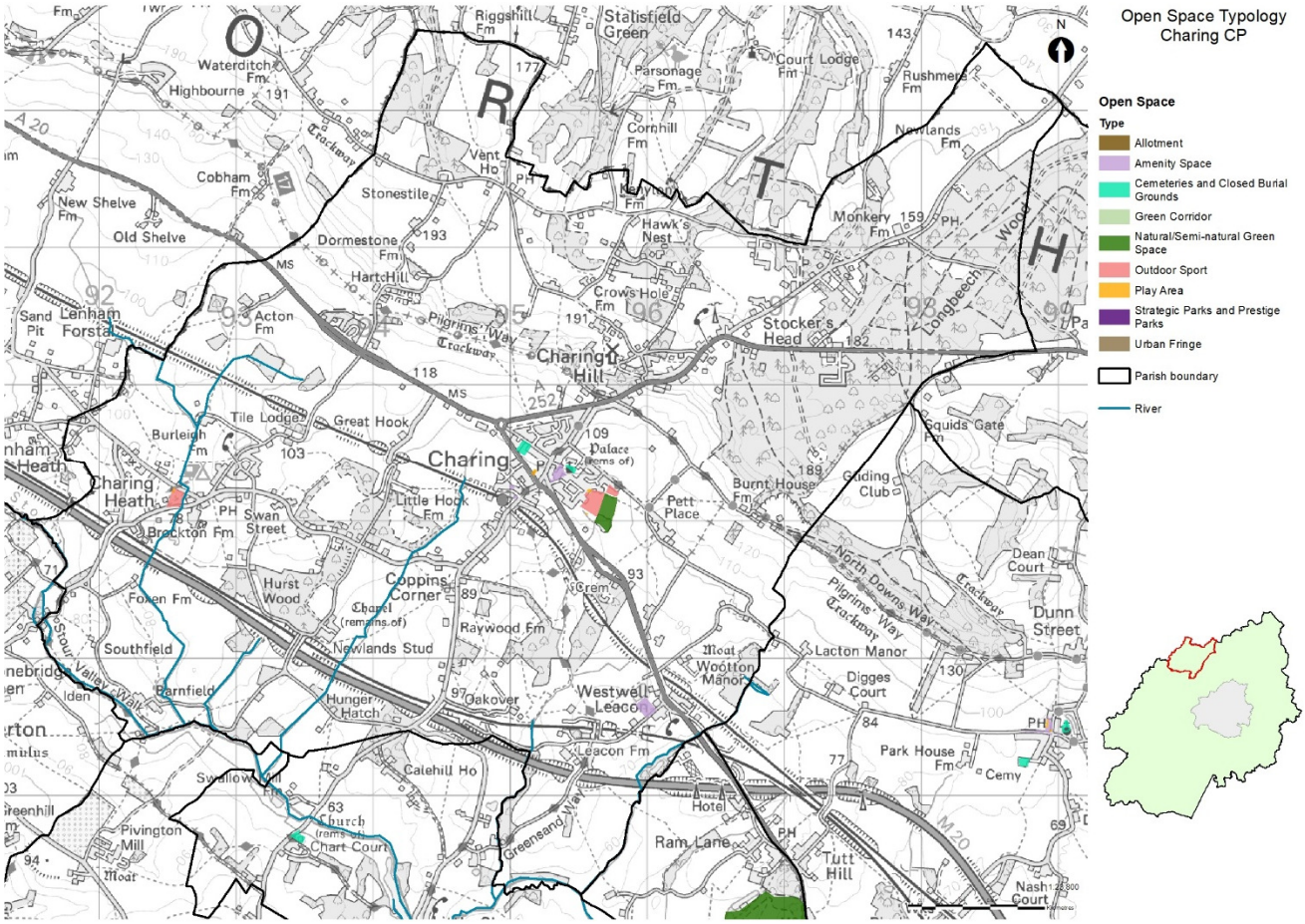


CHALLOCK

2017 population estimate 996

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.20 ha	0.20 ha
Informal open space	6.67 ha	1.99 ha	None

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CHARING

2017 population estimate 2,993

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.60 ha	0.60 ha
Informal open space	4.94 ha	5.99 ha	1.04 ha

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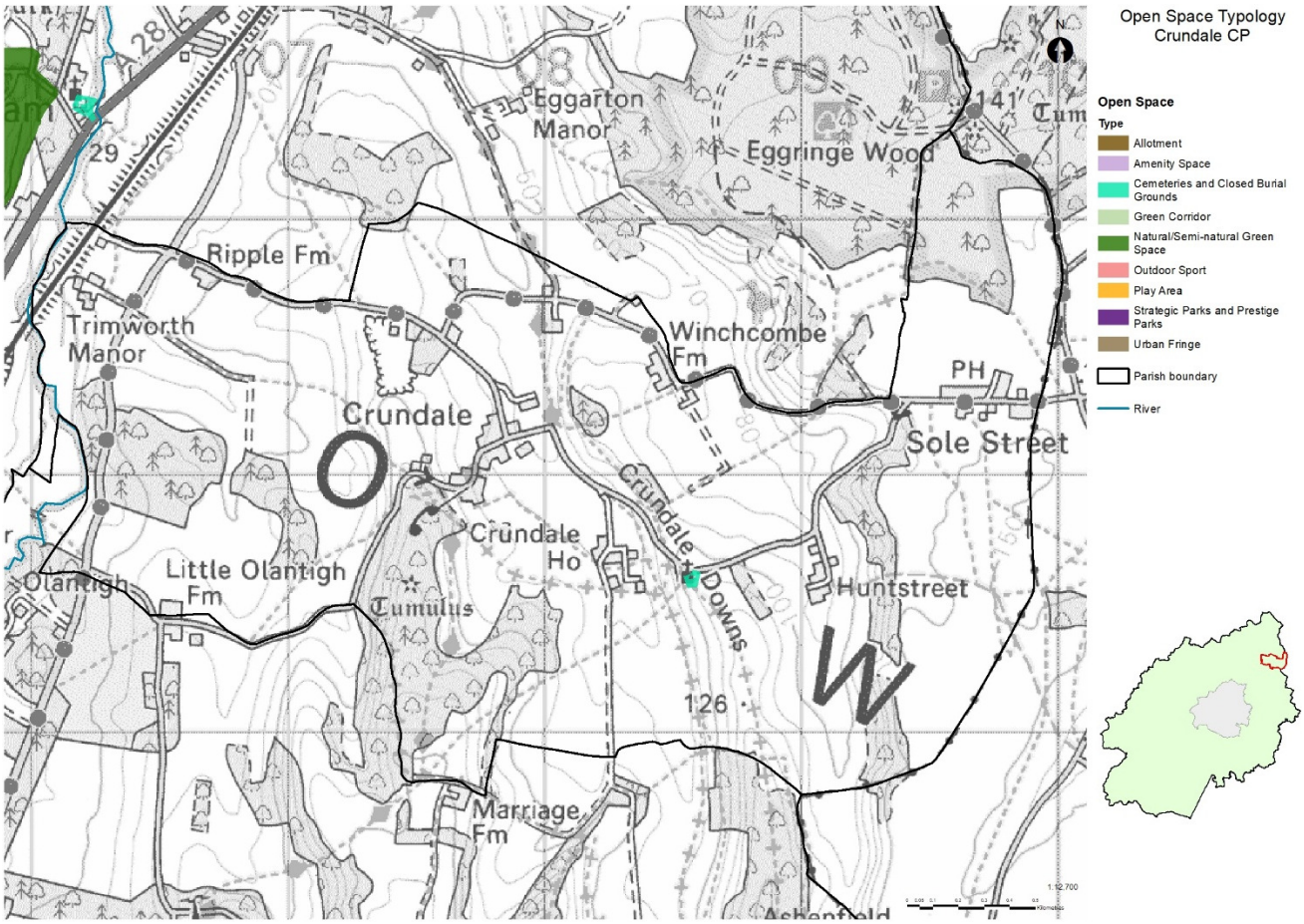


CHILHAM

2017 population estimate 1,768

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.35 ha	0.35 ha
Informal open space	0.92 ha	3.54 ha	2.62 ha

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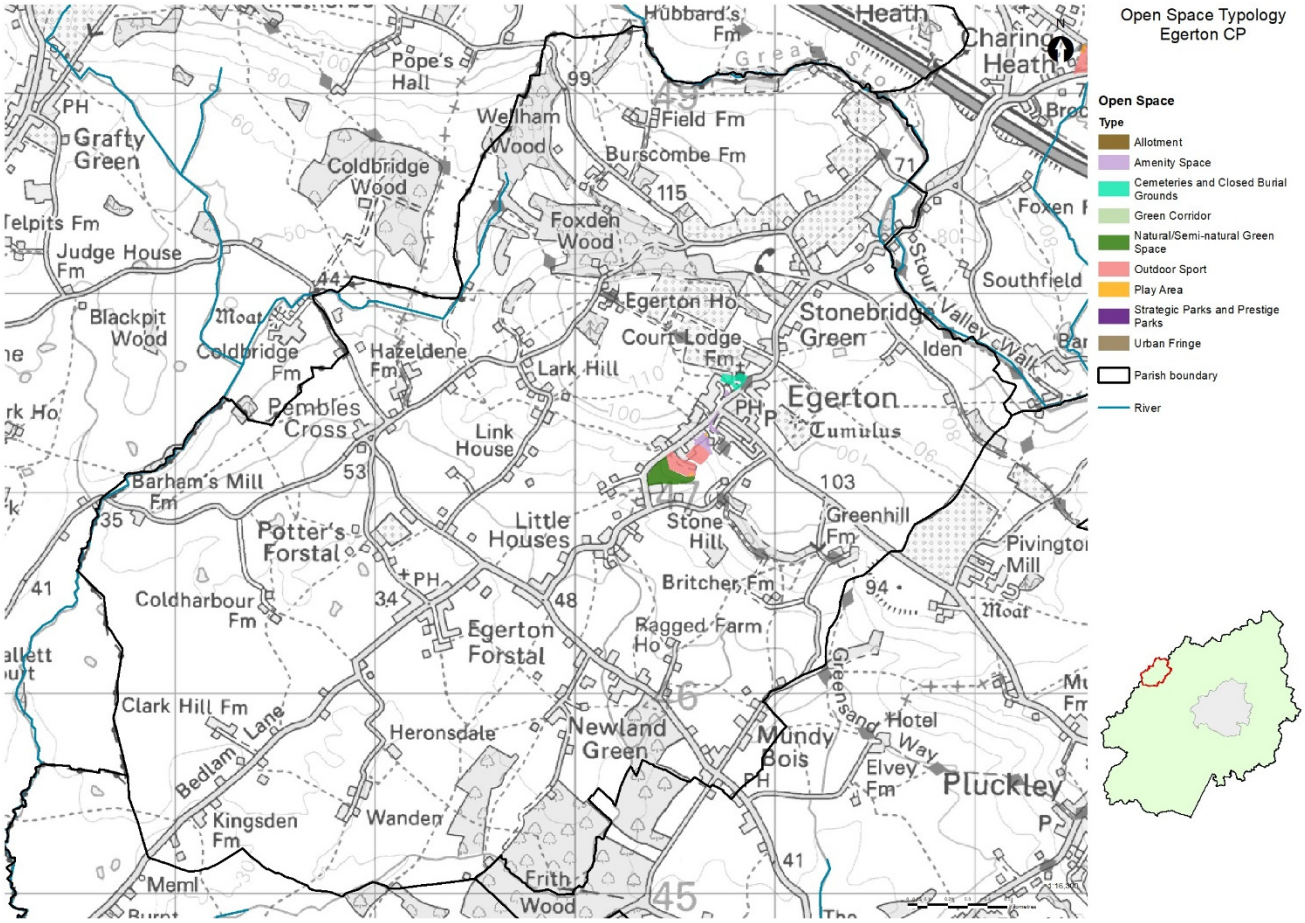


CRUNDALE

2017 population estimate 201

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.04 ha	0.04 ha
Informal open space	0.92 ha	0.40 ha	0.40 ha

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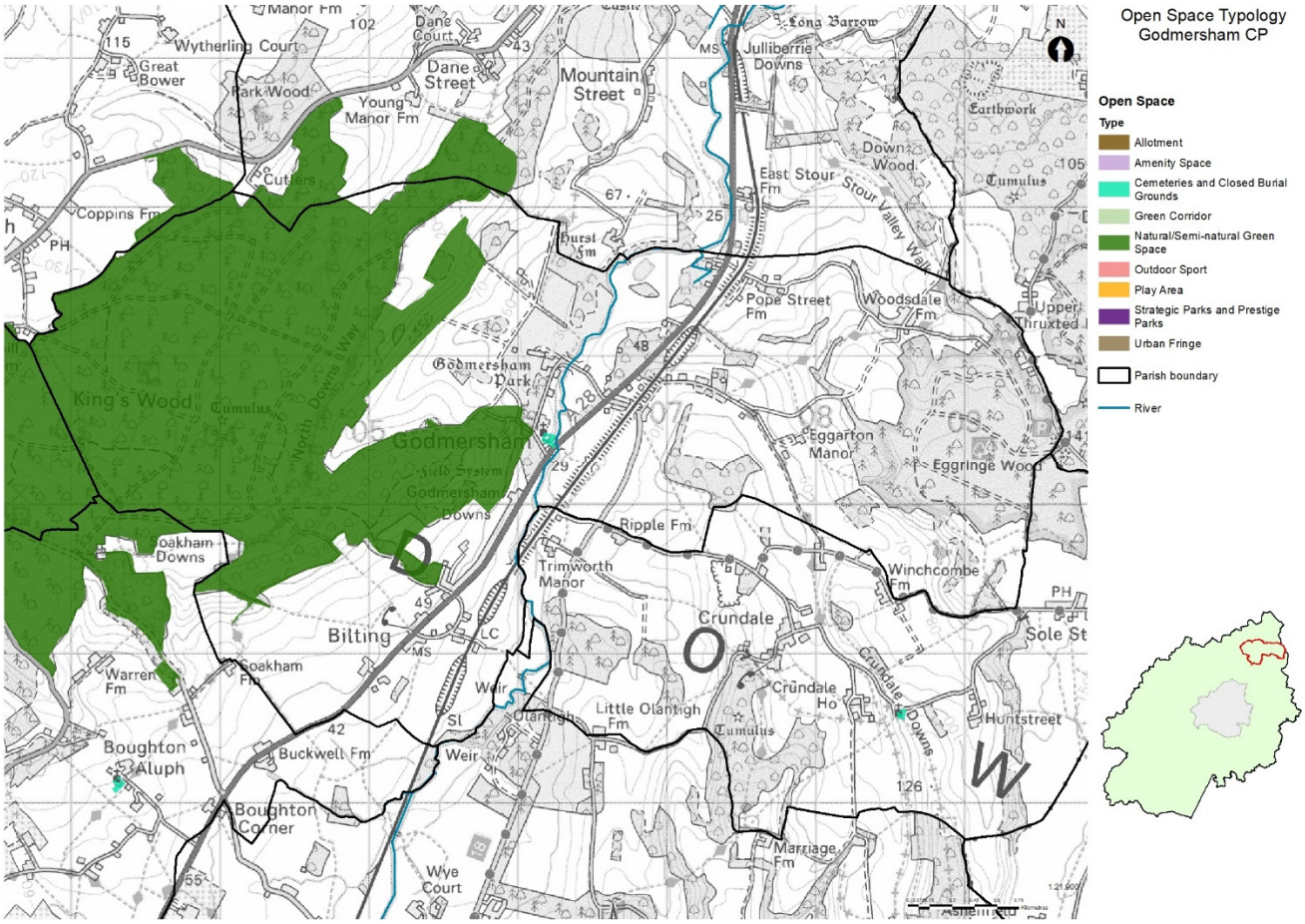


EGERTON

2017 population estimate 1,161

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.23 ha	0.23 ha
Informal open space	2.48 ha	2.32 ha	nONE

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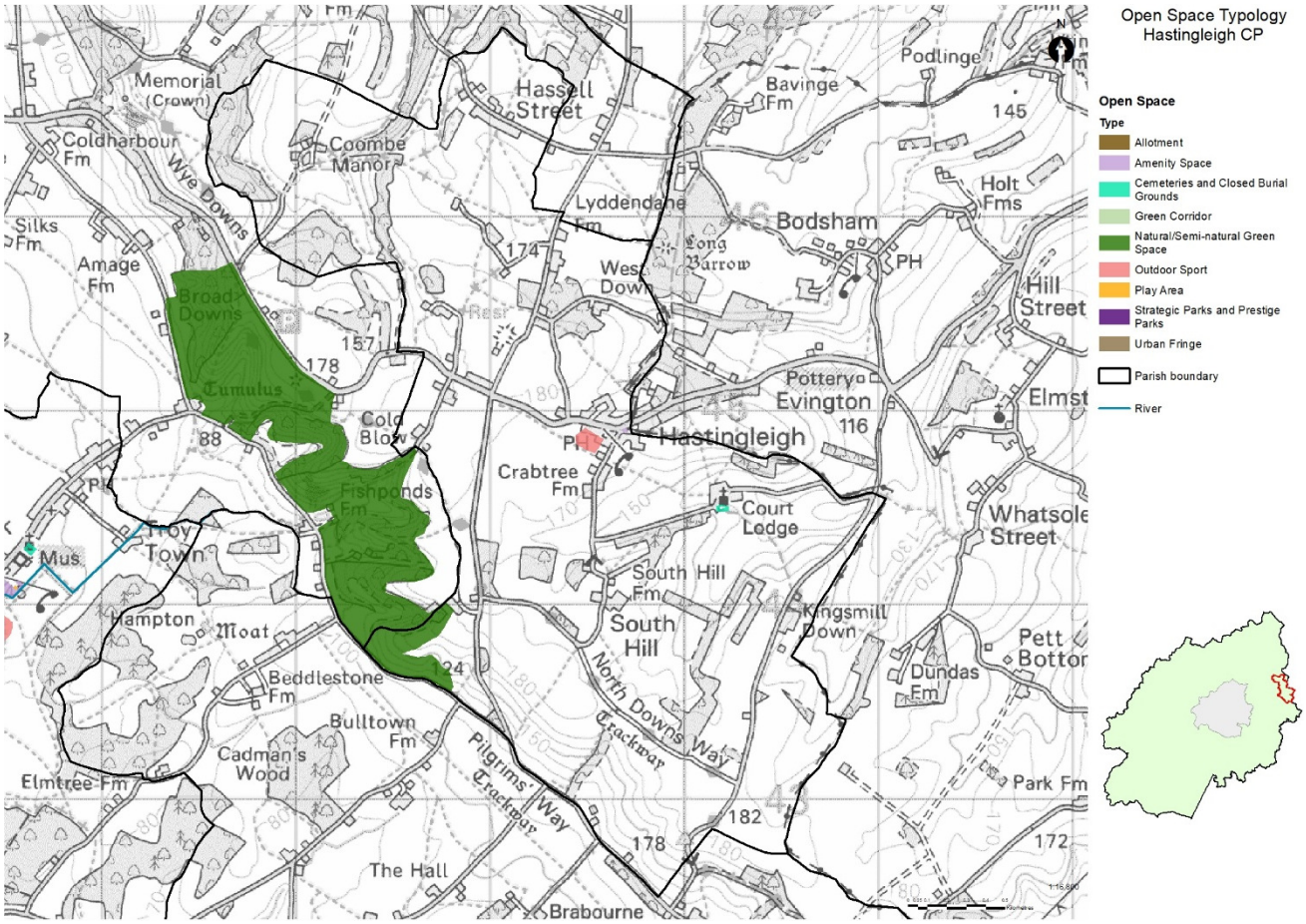


GODMERSHAM

2017 population estimate 407

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.08 ha	0.08 ha
Informal open space	876.59 ha	0.81 ha	None

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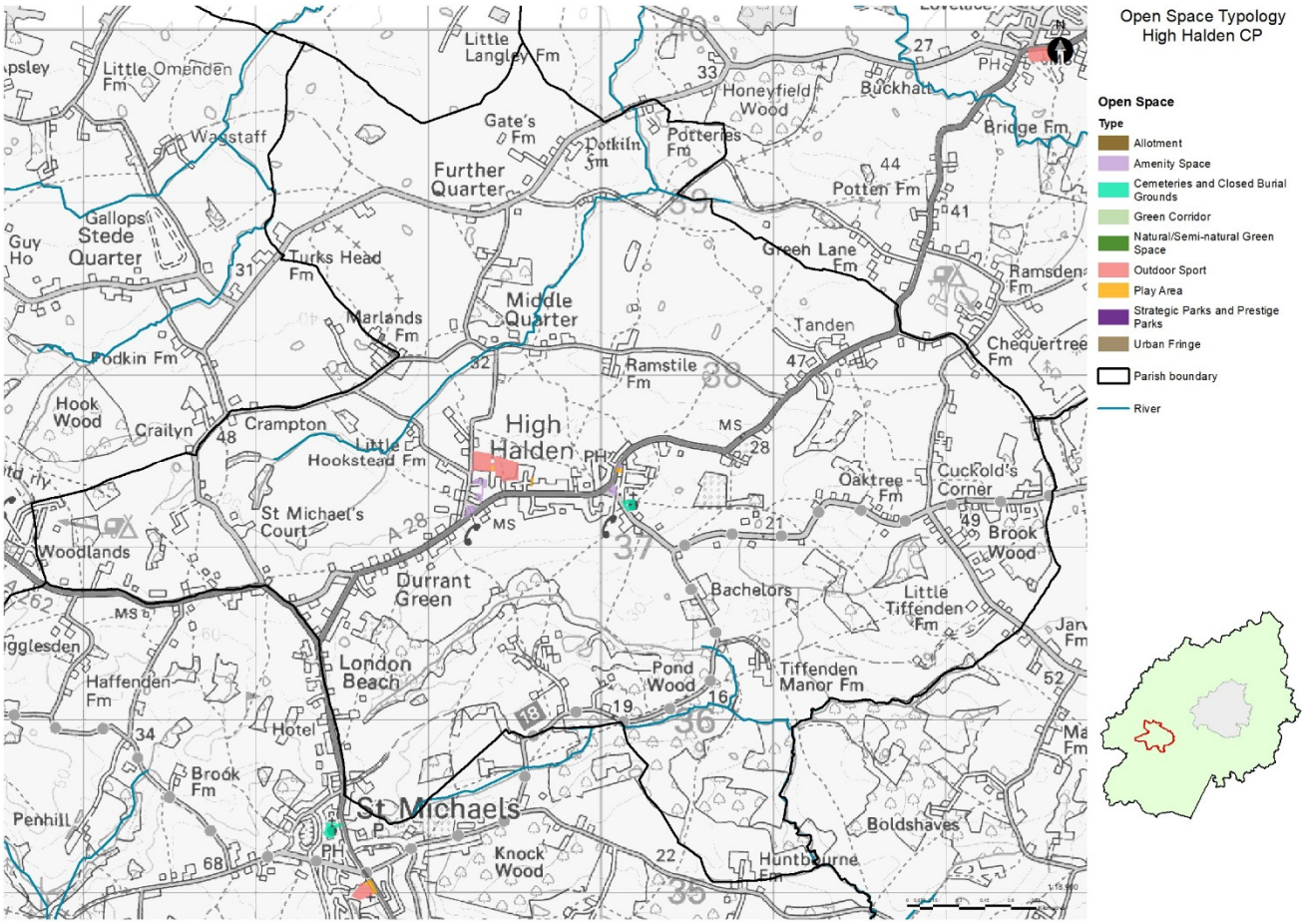


HASTINGLEIGH

2017 population estimate 249

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.05 ha	0.05 ha
Informal open space	0.07 ha	0.50 ha	0.43 ha

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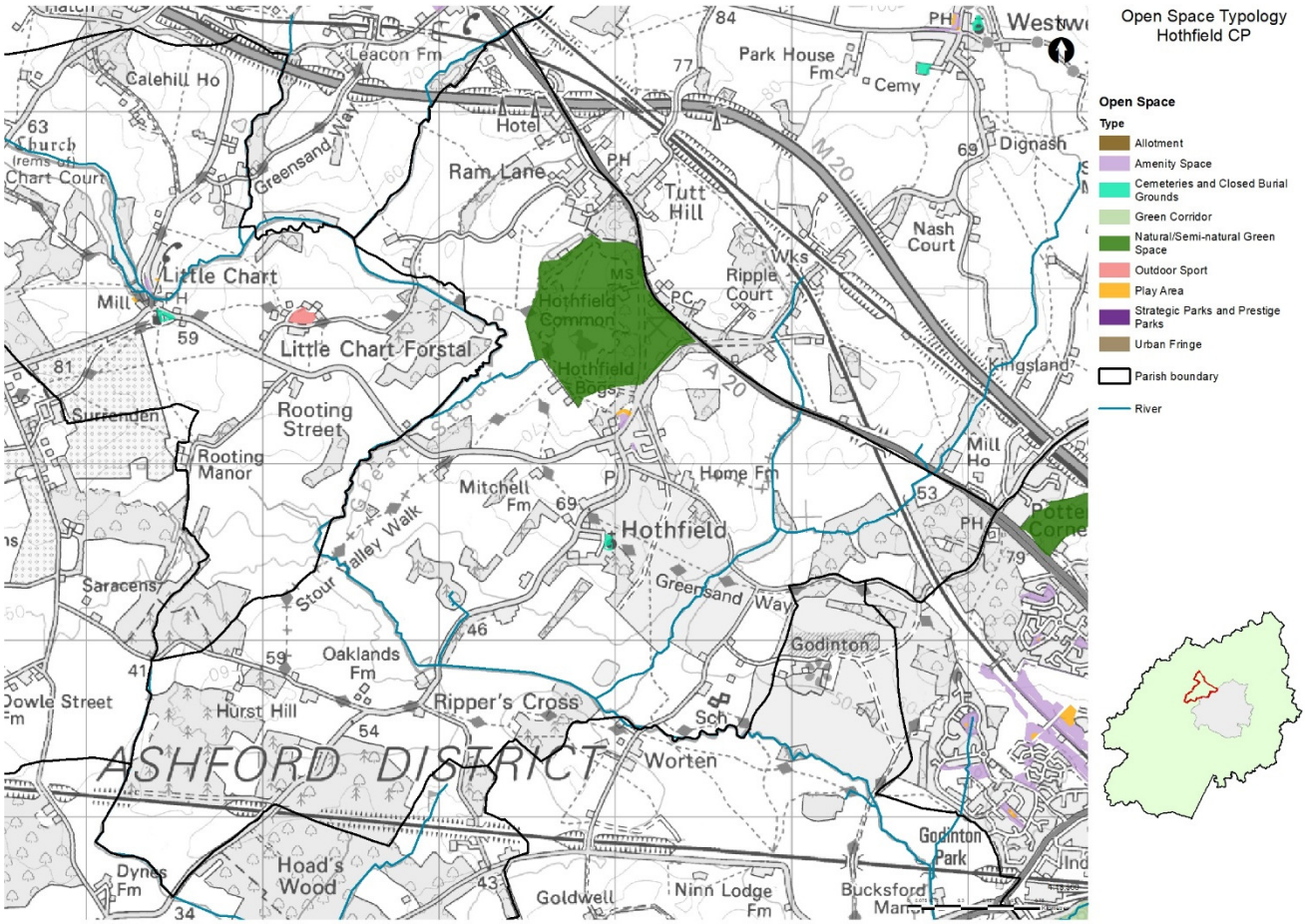


HIGH HALDEN

2017 population estimate 1,714

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.34 ha	0.34 ha
Informal open space	1.11 ha	3.43 ha	2.32 ha

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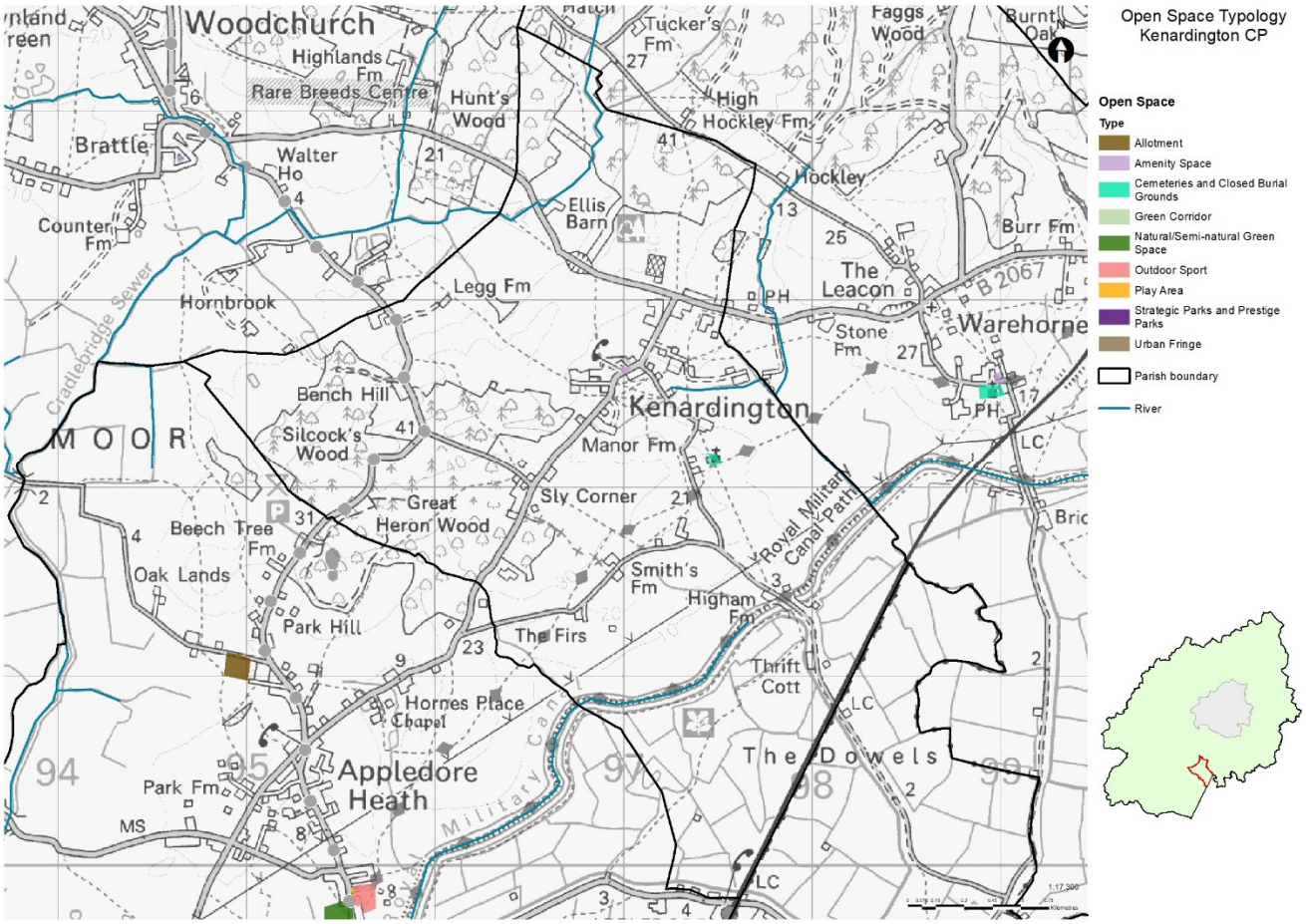


HOTHFIELD

2017 population estimate 844

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.17 ha	0.17 ha
Informal open space	56.54 ha	1.69 ha	None

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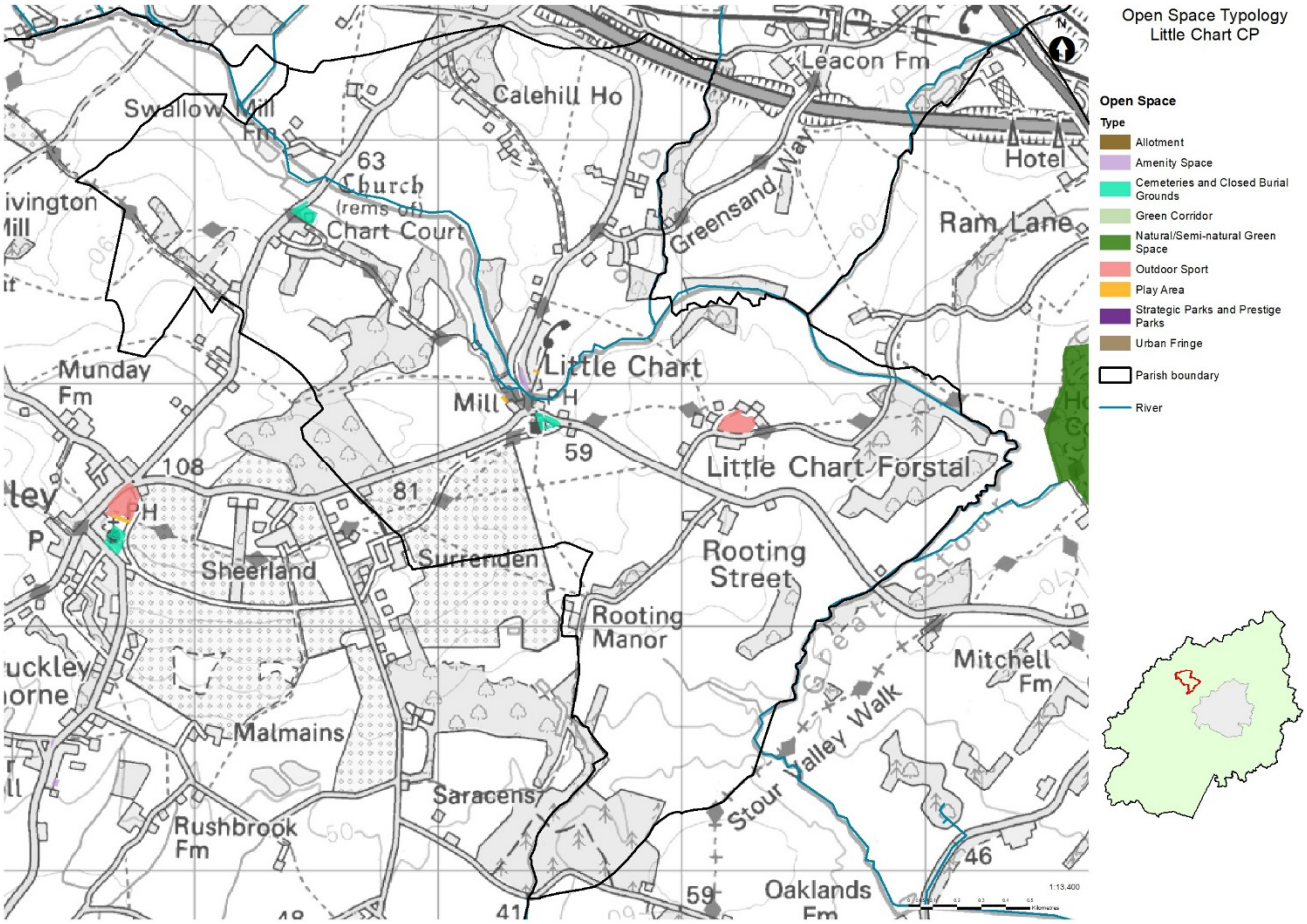


KENARDINGTON

2017 population estimate 267

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.05 ha	0.05 ha
Informal open space	0.19 ha	0.53 ha	0.35 ha

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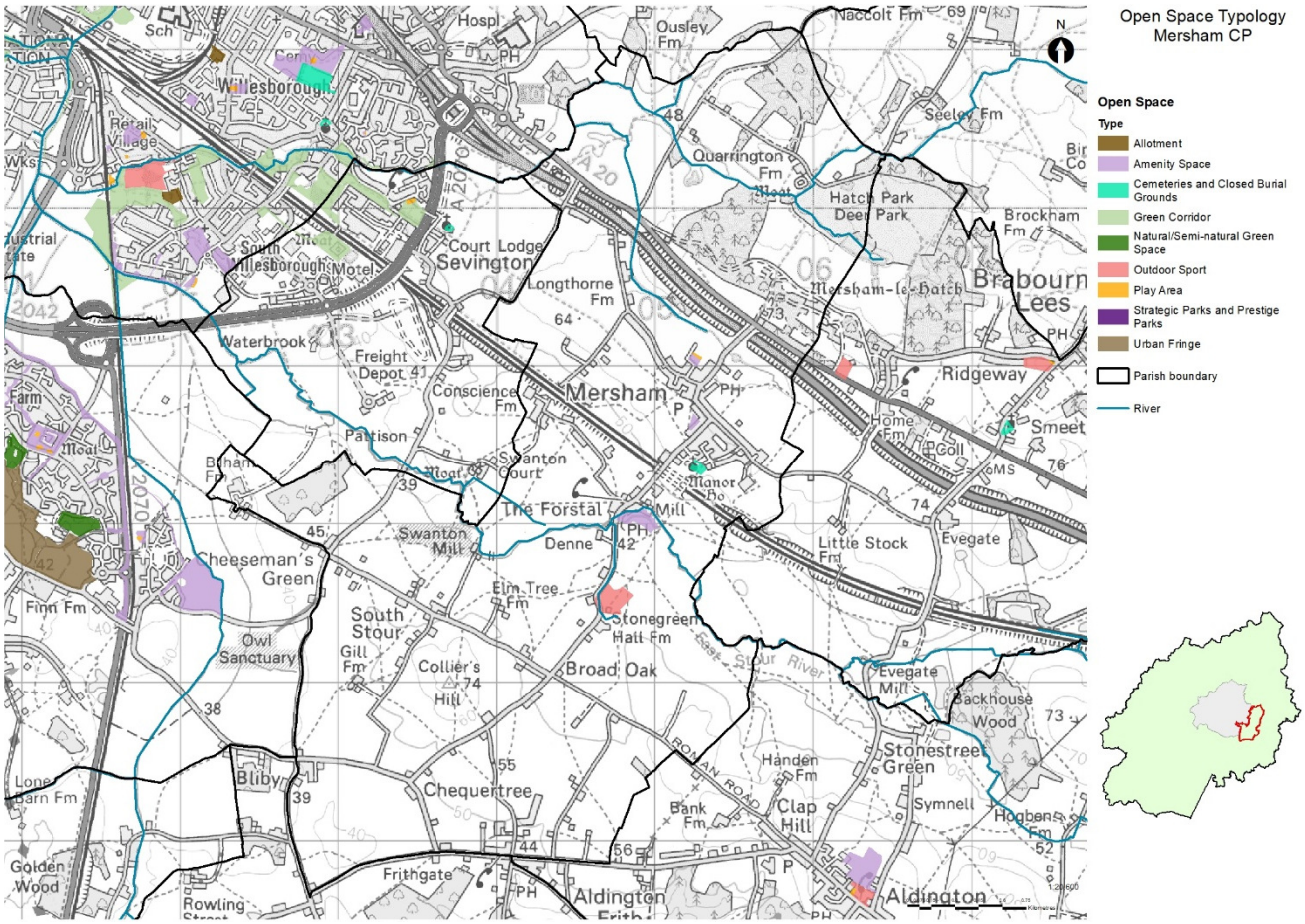


LITTLE CHART

2017 population estimate 253

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.05 ha	0.05 ha
Informal open space	0.20 ha	0.51 ha	0.31 ha

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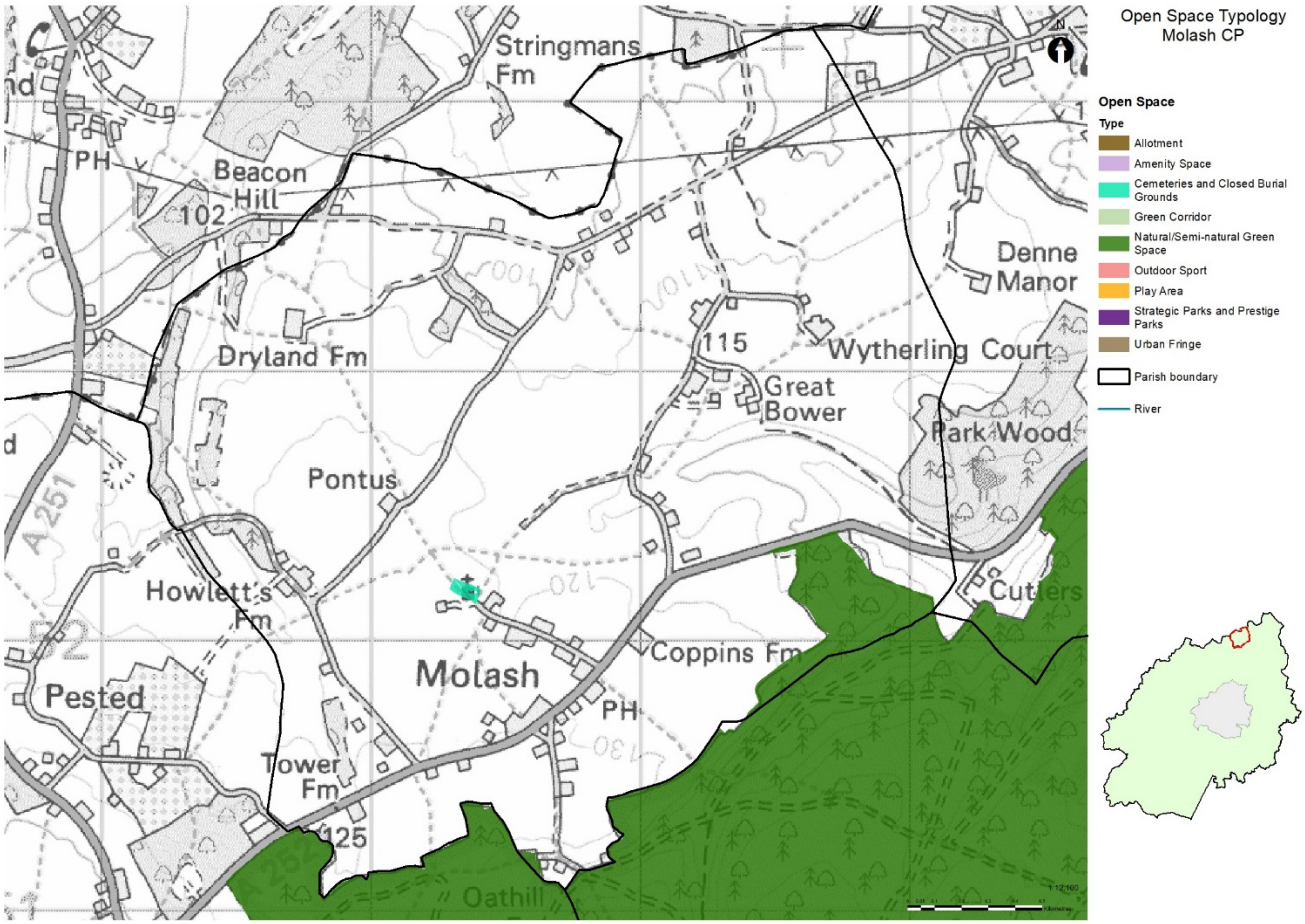


MERSHAM

2017 population estimate 1,216

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.24 ha	0.24 ha
Informal open space	2.75 ha	2.43 ha	None

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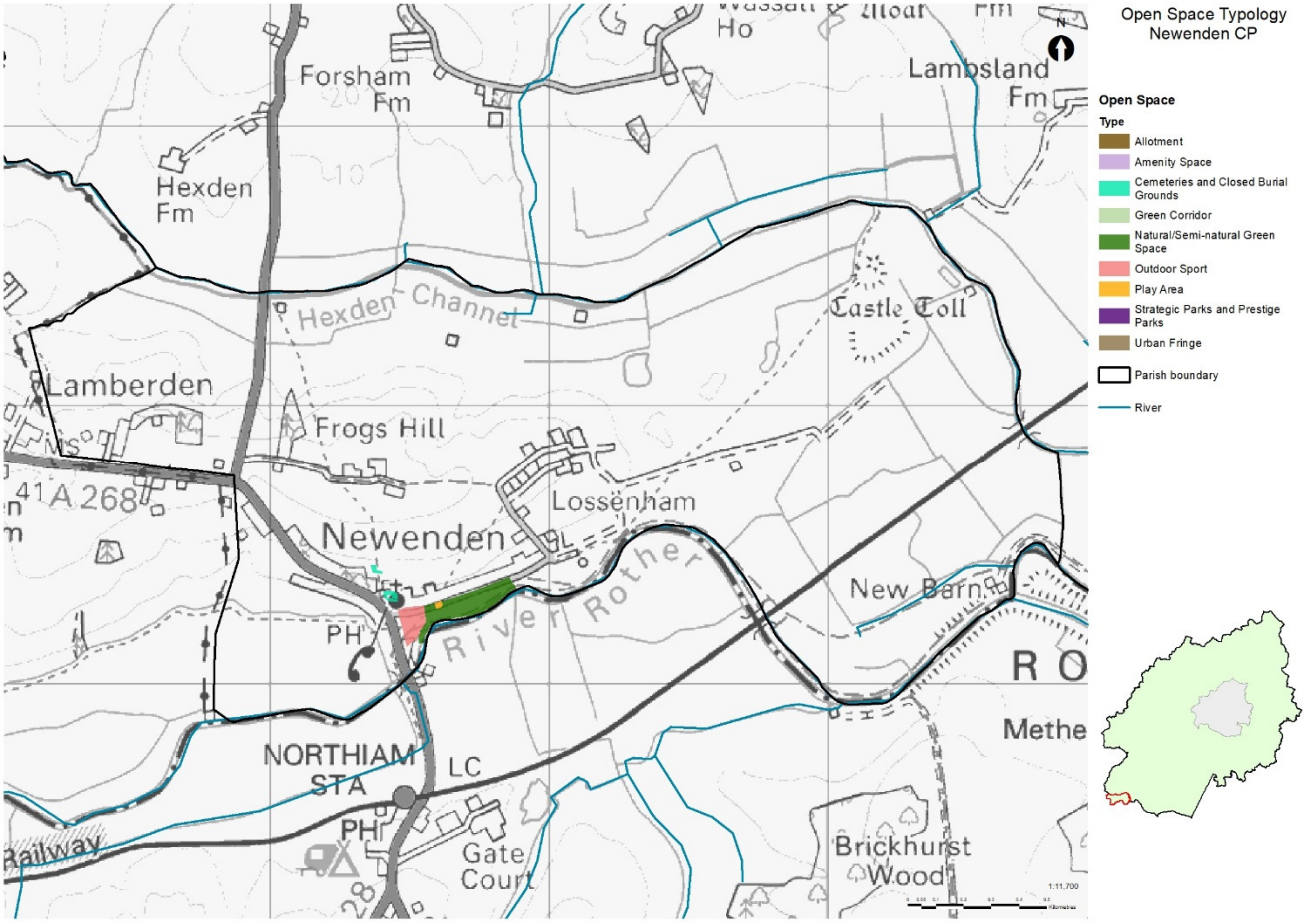


MOLASH

2017 population estimate 266

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.05 ha	0.05 ha
Informal open space	0 ha	0.53 ha	0.53 ha

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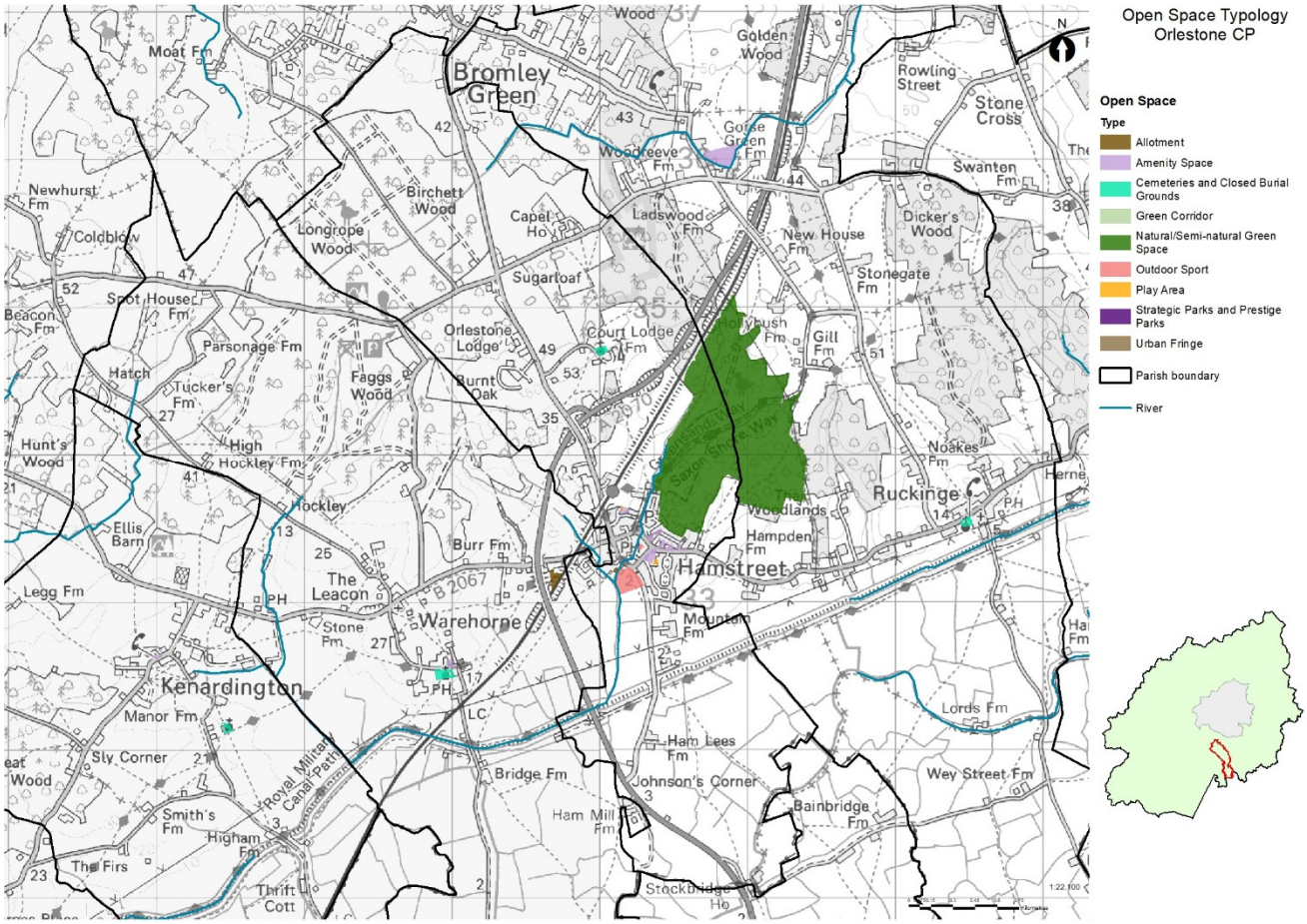


NEWENDEN

2017 population estimate 241

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.05 ha	0.05 ha
Informal open space	2.45 ha	0.48 ha	None

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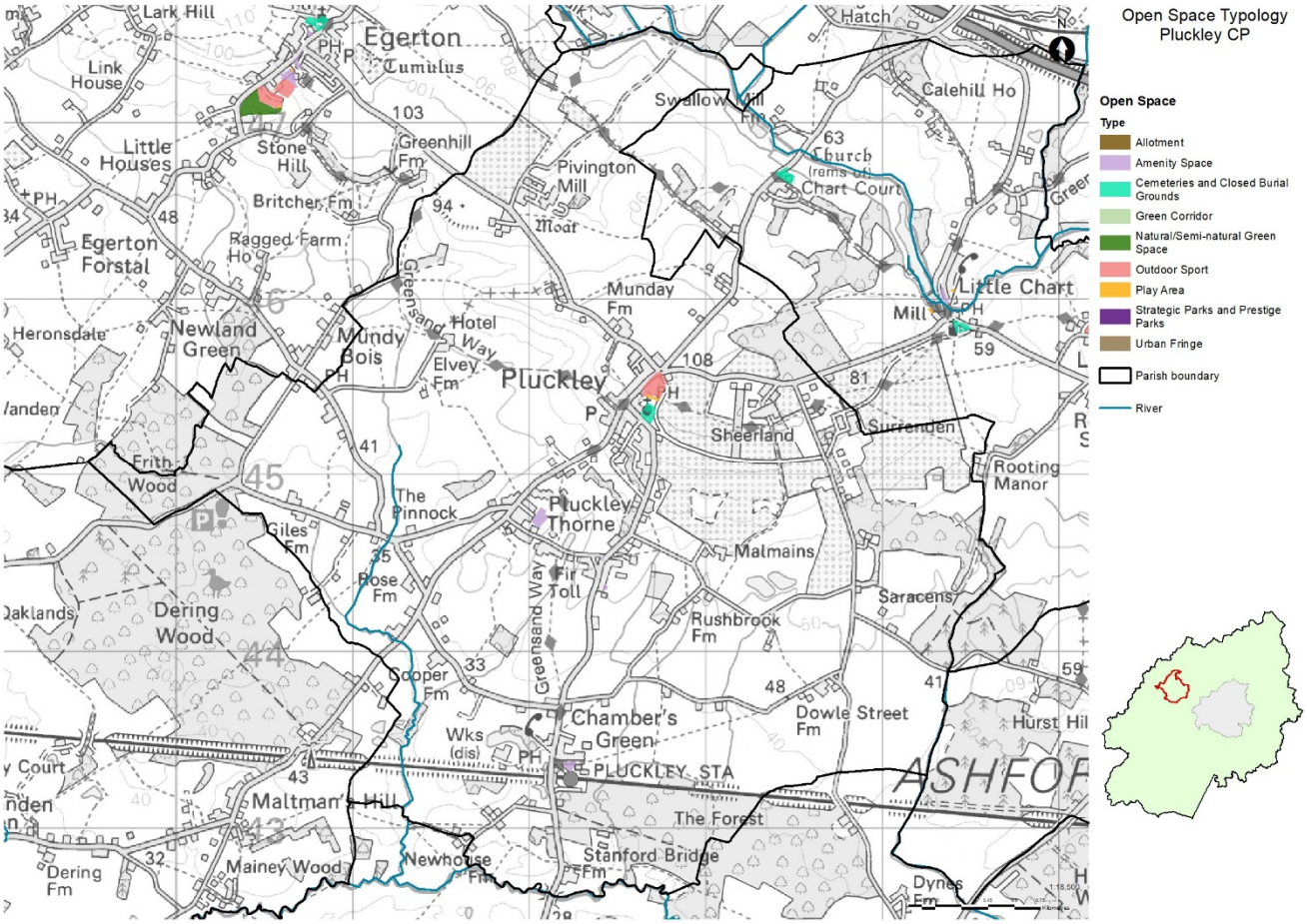


ORLESTONE

2017 population estimate 1,523

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0.09 ha	0.30 ha	0.21 ha
Informal open space	95.03 ha	3.05 ha	None

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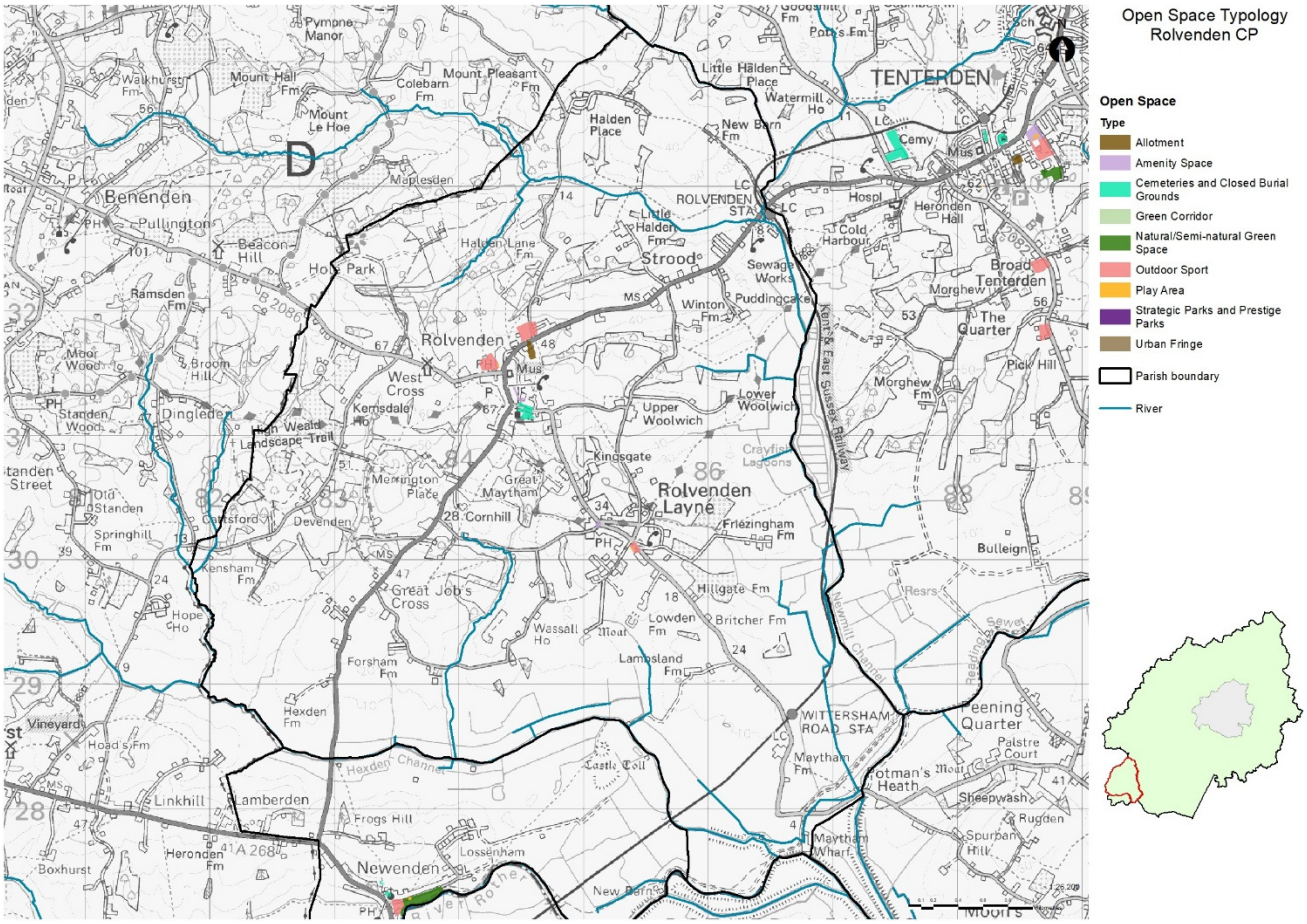


PLUCKLEY

2017 population estimate 1,157

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.23 ha	0.23 ha
Informal open space	0.94 ha	2.31 ha	1.37 ha

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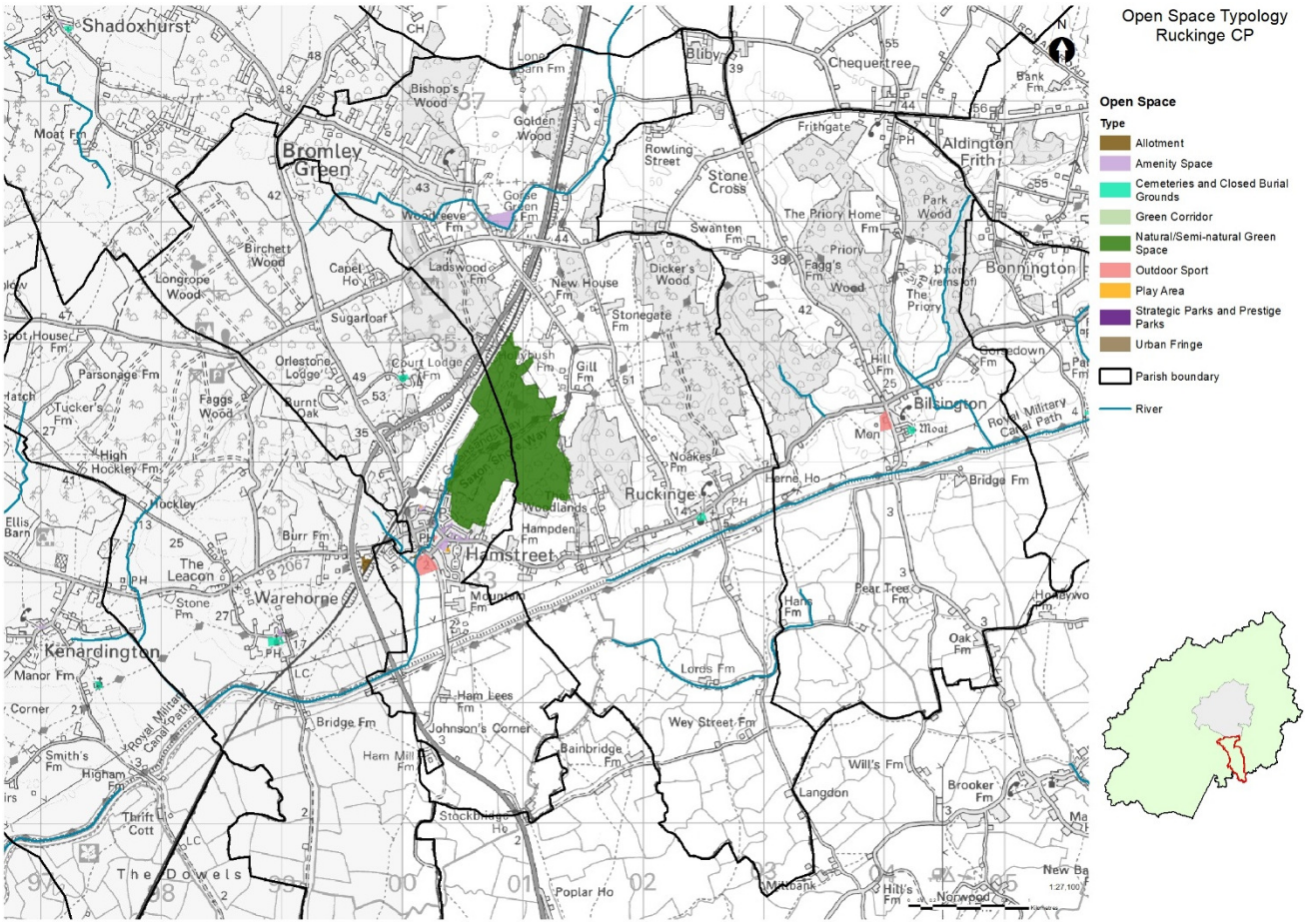


ROLVENDEN

2017 population estimate 1530

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0.69 ha	0.31 ha	None
Informal open space	0.47 ha	3.06 ha	2.59 ha

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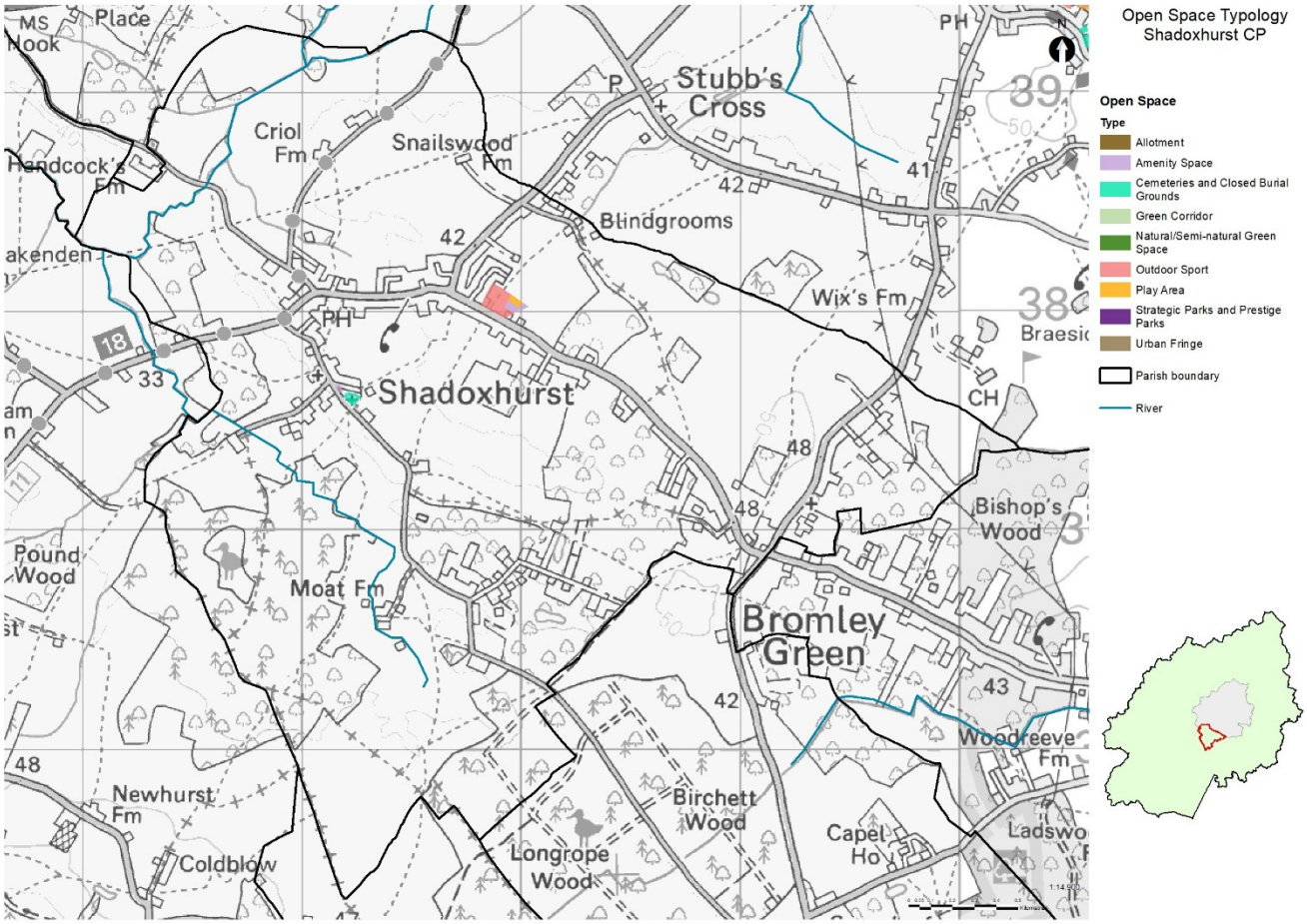


RUCKINGE

2017 population estimate 769

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.15 ha	0.15 ha
Informal open space	0 ha	1.54 ha	1.54 ha

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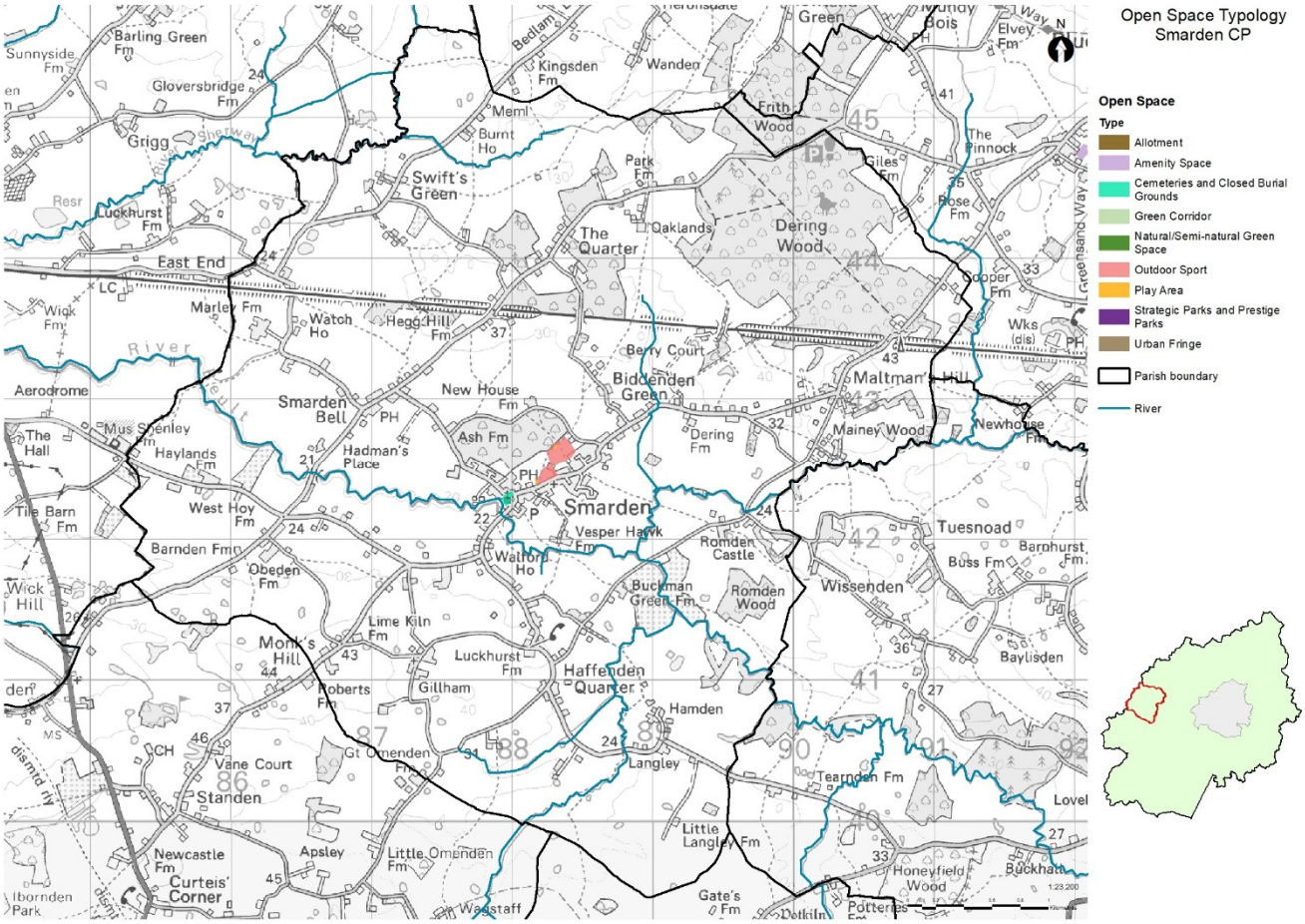


SHADOXHURST

2017 population estimate 1,316

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.26 ha	0.26 ha
Informal open space	0.35 ha	2.63 ha	2.28 ha

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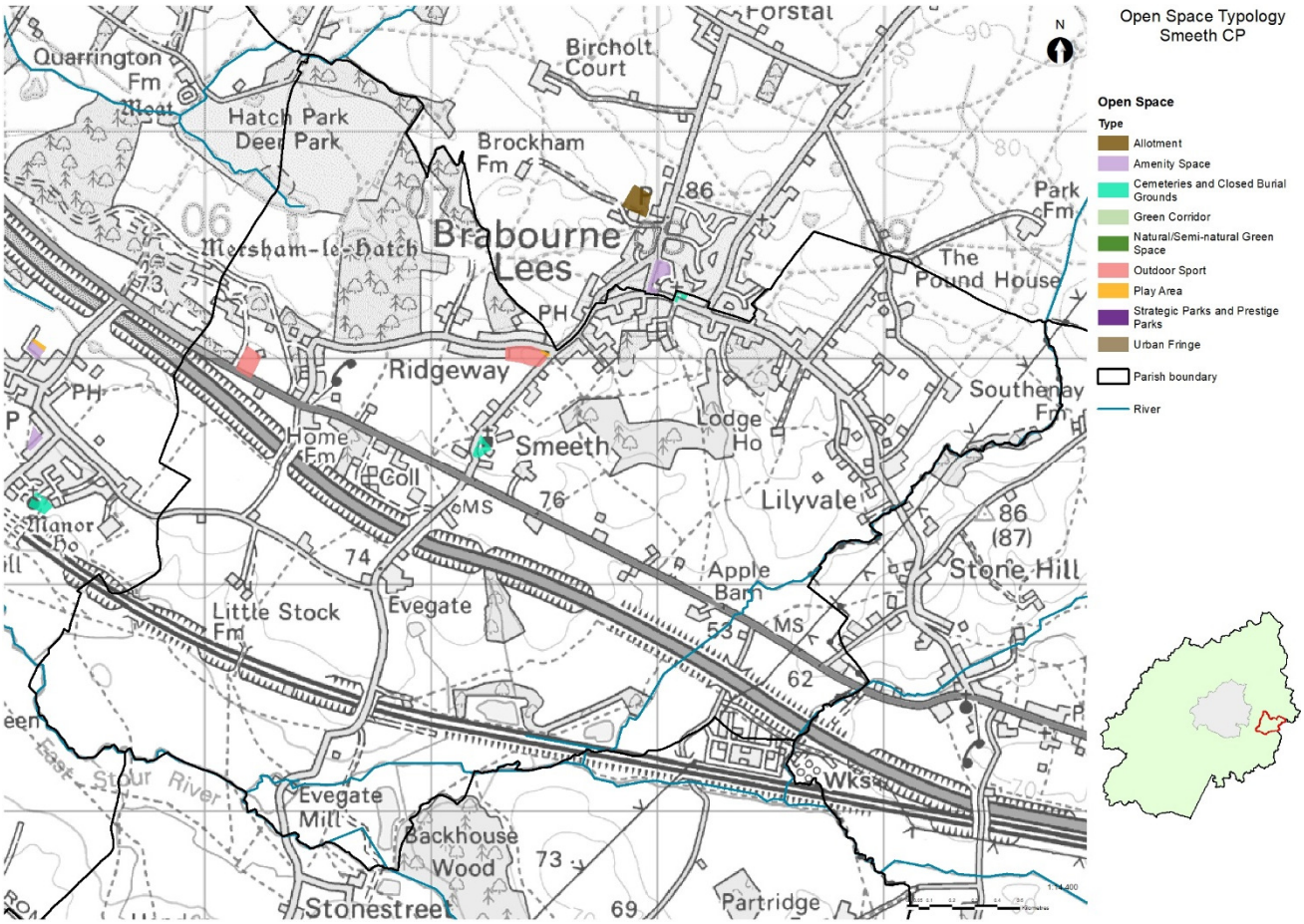


SMARDEN

2017 population estimate 1,408

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.28 ha	0.28 ha
Informal open space	0 ha	2.82 ha	2.82 ha

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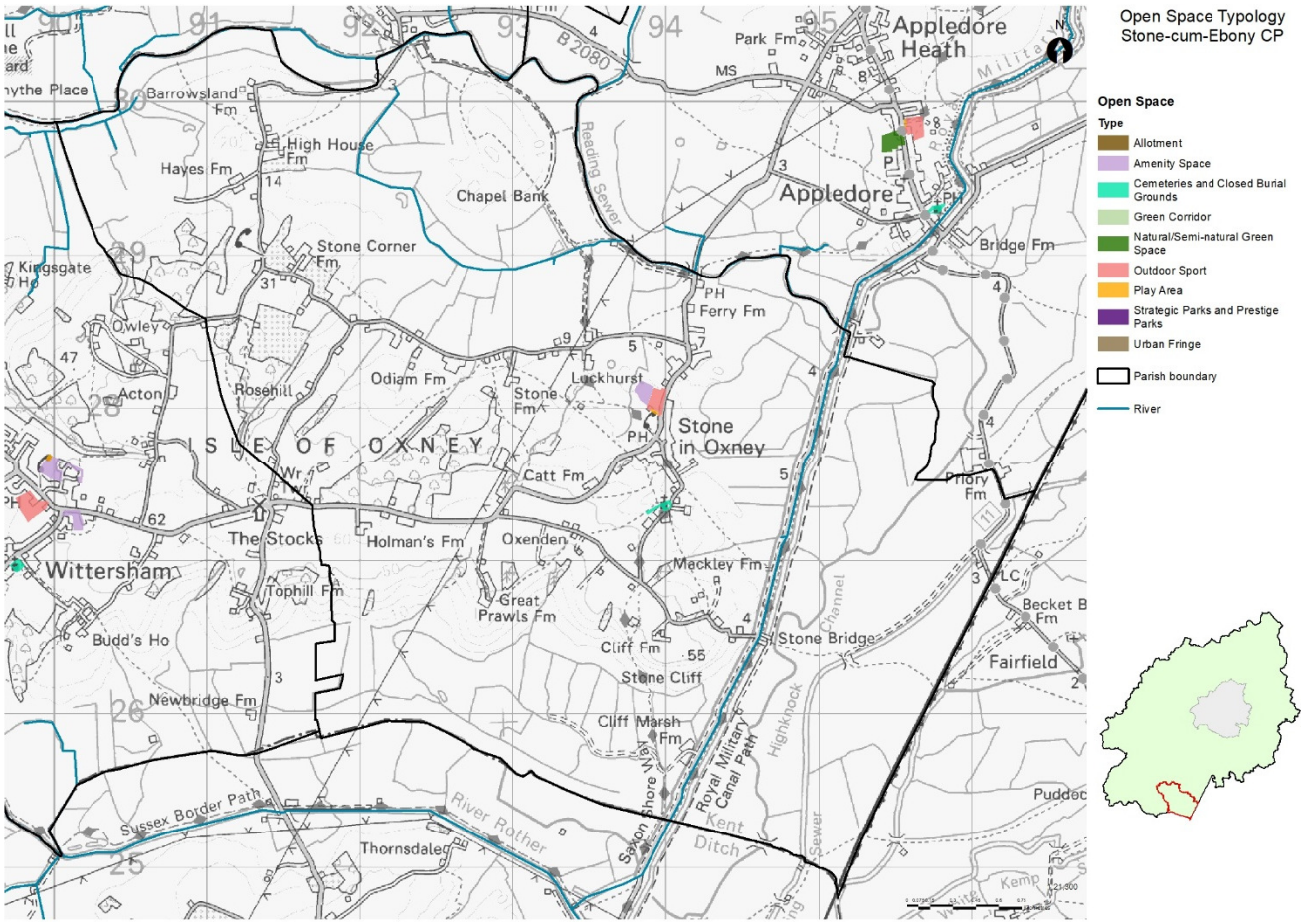


SMEETH

2017 population estimate 1,000

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.20 ha	0.20 ha
Informal open space	0 ha	2.00 ha	2.00 ha

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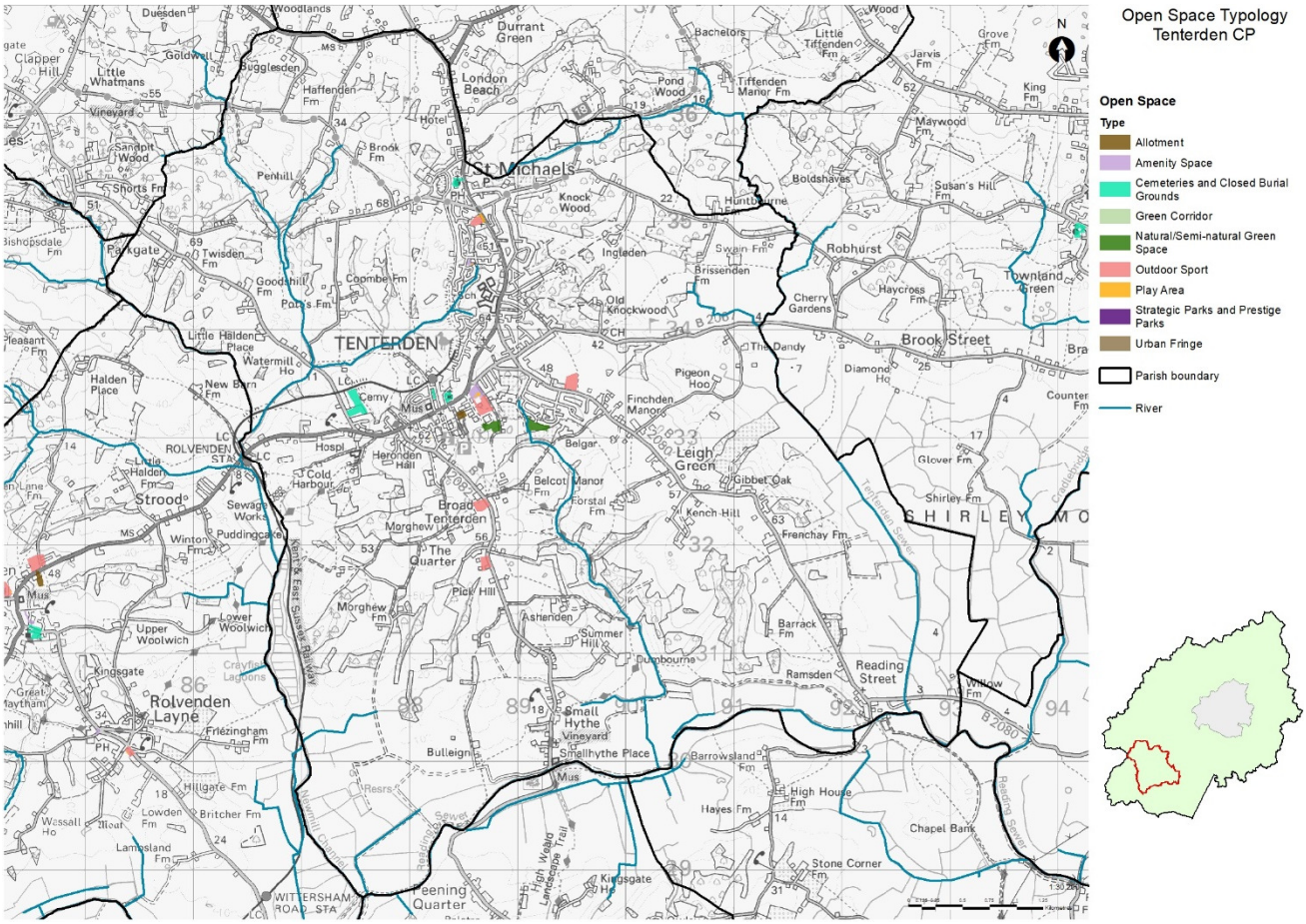


STONE

2017 population estimate 498

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.10 ha	0.10 ha
Informal open space	1.20 ha	1.00 ha	None

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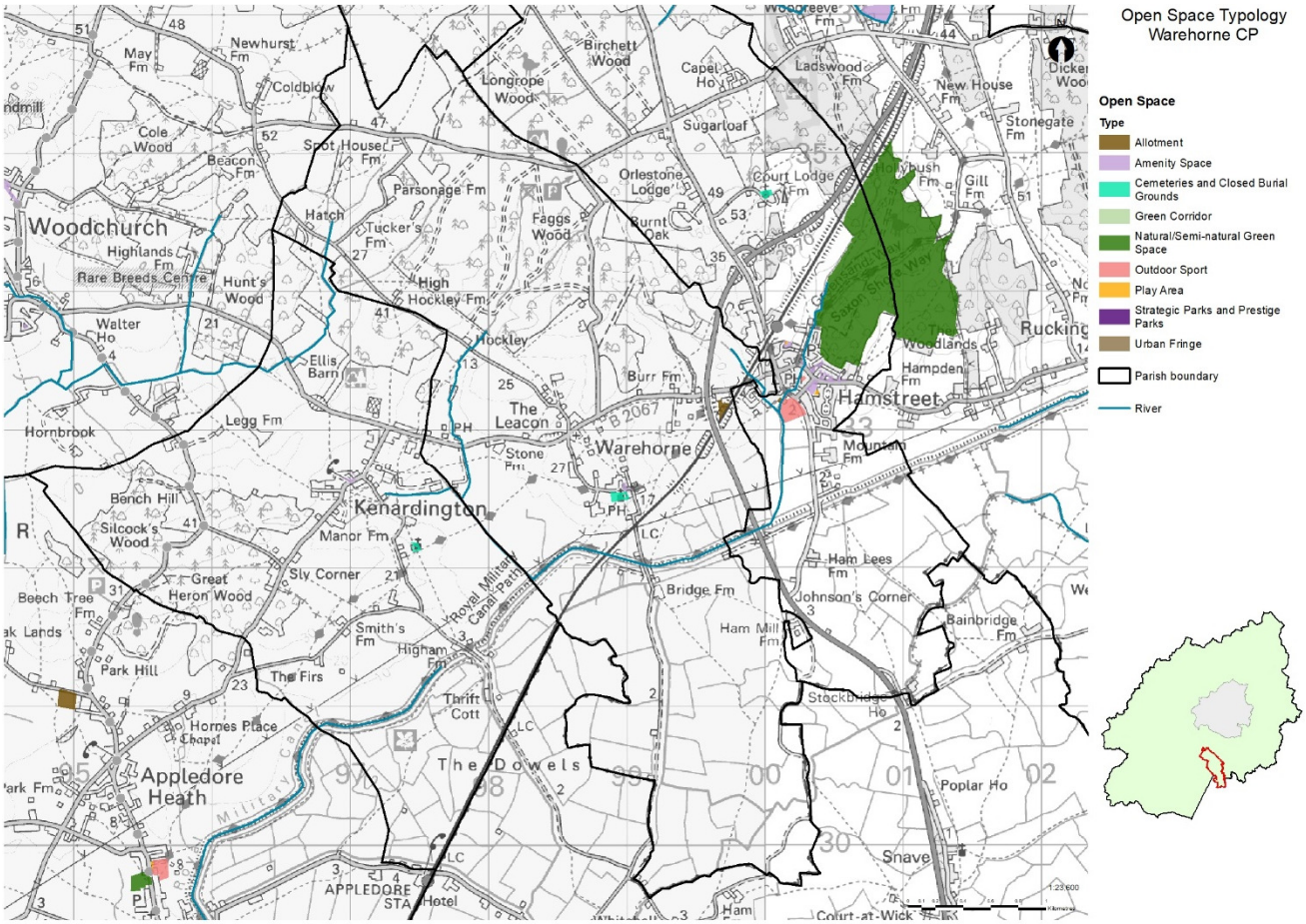


TENTERDEN

2017 population estimate 8,371

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0.49 ha	1.67 ha	1.18 ha
Informal open space	35.28 ha	16.74 ha	None

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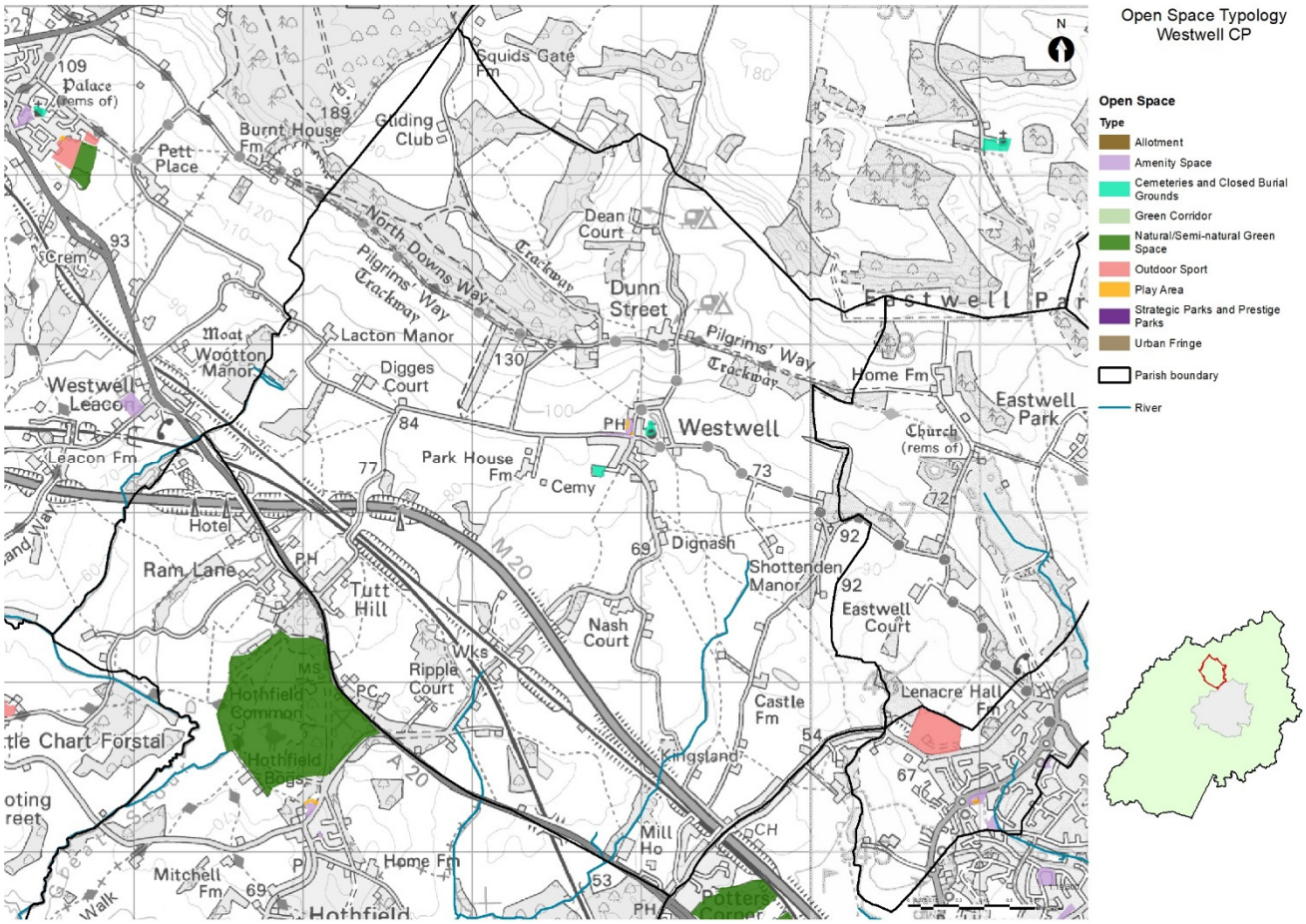


WAREHORNE

2017 population estimate 400

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0.57 ha	0.08 ha	None
Informal open space	0.19 ha	0.80 ha	0.61 ha

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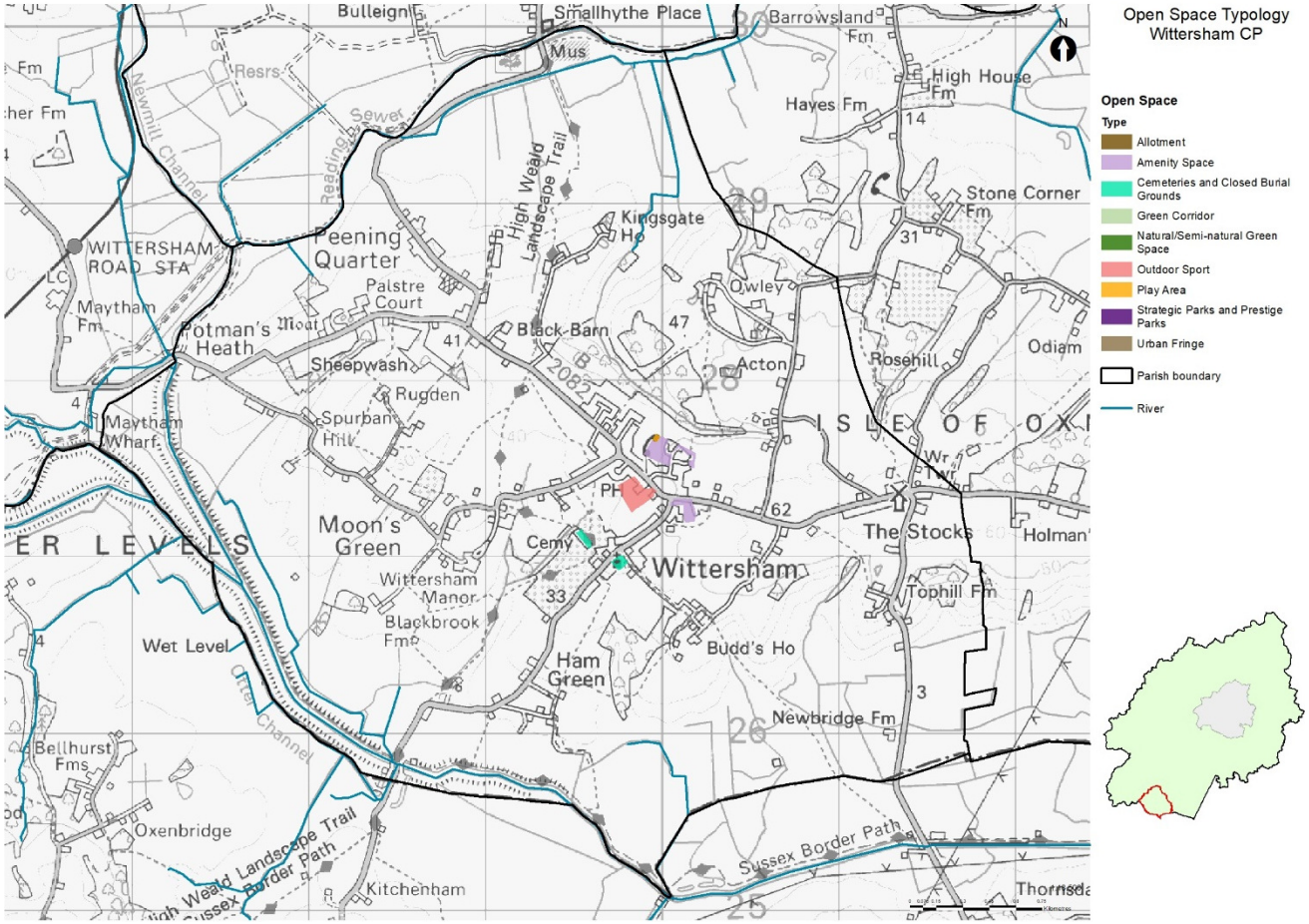


WESTWELL

2017 population estimate 761

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.15 ha	0.15 ha
Informal open space	0.57 ha	1.52 ha	0.95 ha

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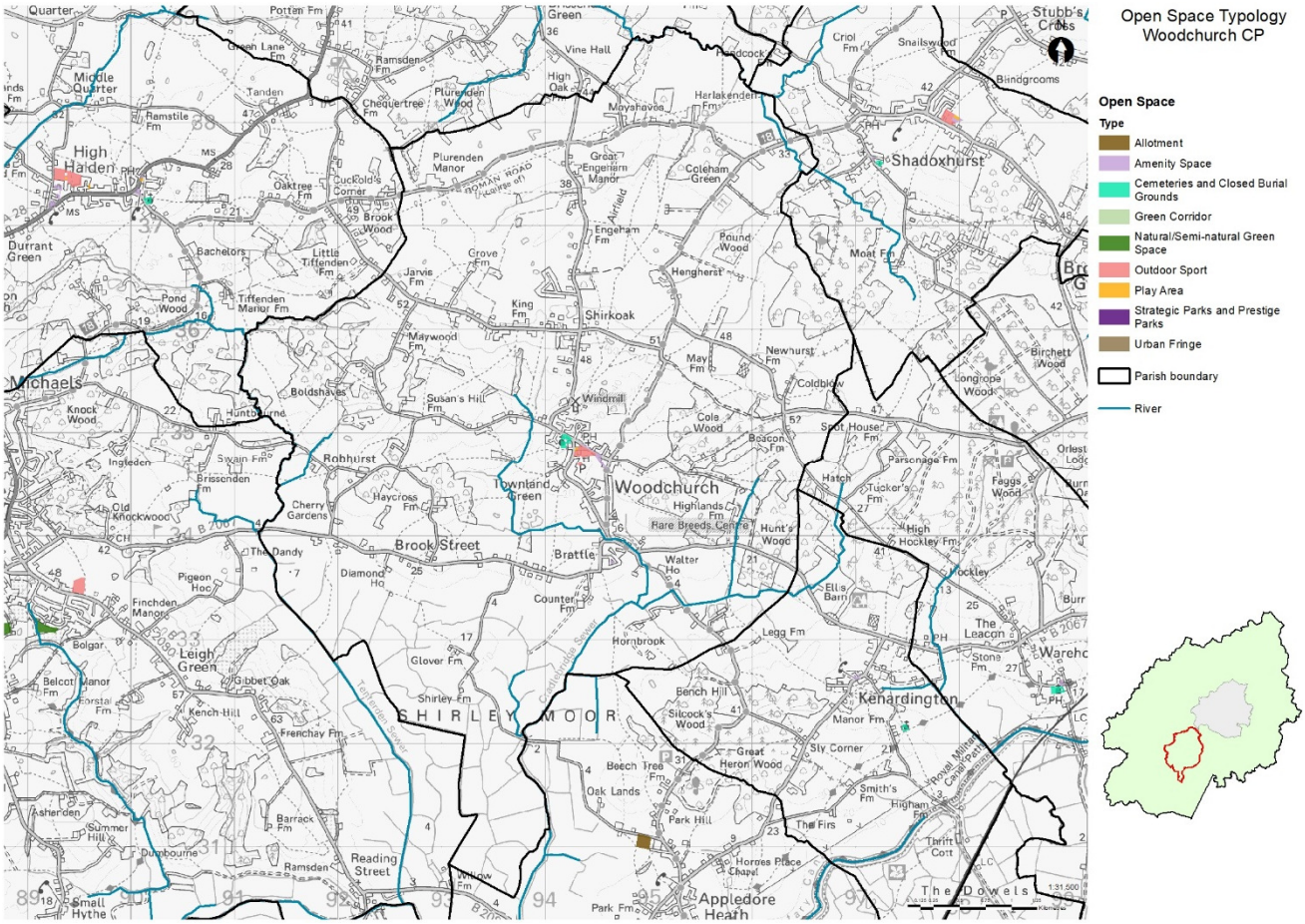


WITTERSHAM

2017 population estimate 1,203

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.24 ha	0.24 ha
Informal open space	3.13 ha	2.41 ha	None

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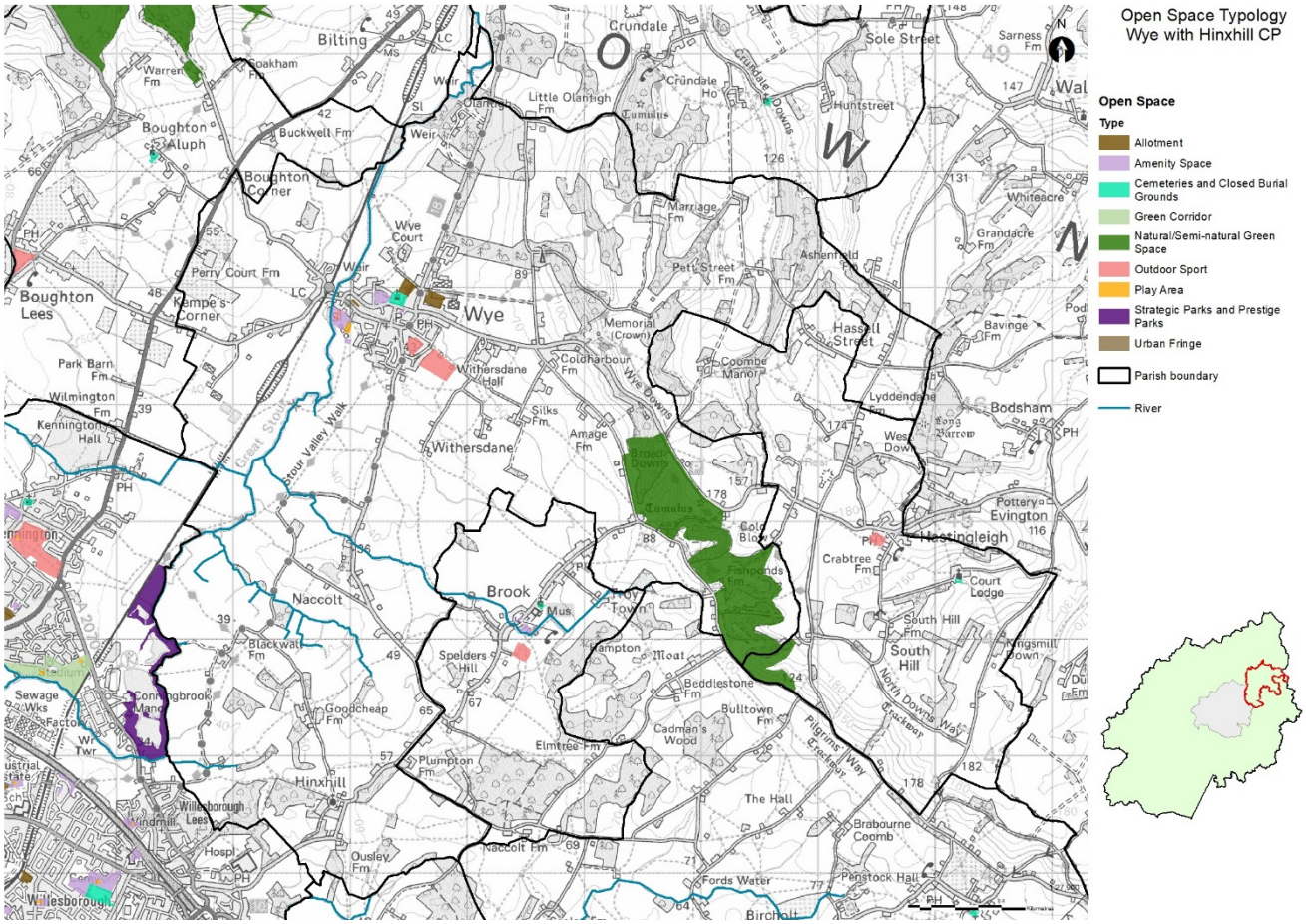


WOODCHURCH

2017 population estimate 2,059

	Existing provision	Required	Gap
Allotments	0 ha	0.41 ha	0.41 ha
Informal open space	0.85 ha	4.12 ha	3.27 ha

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WYE

2017 population estimate 2,470

	Existing provision		Required	Gap
Allotments	3.23 ha		0.49 ha	None
Informal open space	107.41 ha	4.194 ha	None	

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QUESTIONNAIRE TEMPLATE

Q1	**Name of the Parish/Town Council:**
Q2	**Name, Position and Email/Tel No: of person completing the questions (for follow up if necessary):**
Q3	**List any changes to the existing public open spaces in your Parish/ Town during the last 5 years including name/type of space/address/total size of area if known).** The open space types are shown in the enclosed letter.
Q4	**List any approved future plans for new public open spaces in your Parish/ Town. If known, add the name of the lead organisation, (developer/community etc), expected completion date and how funded:**
Q5	**What new or improved open space/recreation opportunities do you think would benefit your Parish/Town?**
Q6	**Are you aware of any particular groups within your community whose needs for recreation/open spaces are currently not met?**
Q7	**Please add further comments you may have about the standard of open space, play and sports/recreation and future opportunities in your Parish/Town which should be considered as an issue in the new Open Spaces Strategy:**

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PARISH QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS

Name	Q3 - Changes to open space	Q4 - New open space	Q5 - New/improved recreation opportunities	Q6 - Community needs	Q7 - Other comments
Aldington	Additional allotments area created within the New Road Hill site	None	None	None	None
Appledore	No questionnaire returned				
Bethersden	Additional informal open space	None	None	None	No
Biddenden	No questionnaire returned				
Bilsington	None	None	None	No recreation provision for young people	None
Bonnington	None	None	None	None	None
Boughton Aluph & Eastwell	No questionnaire returned				
Brabourne	None in last 5 years but churchyard at St Mary's, Brabourne and closed burial ground at Brabourne Baptist Church is not shown.	Village green app with KCC for land east of Lees Road (Hospital Field). Proposal for outdoor gym at The Warren, supported by the Parish Council	See Q4	None	None
Brook	No questionnaire returned				
Challock	None	None	enlarge play area, new muga area	Teenagers	As Challock is growing - new housing - more play spaces are required.
Charing	None	None	Outdoor gym equipment	None	None

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Chilham	Play area, cherry orchard	none	See Q7	See Q7	Section 106 monies from development for play, outdoor sport and informal/natural
Crundale	No questionnaire returned				
Egerton	None	None	None	None	None
Godmersham	No questionnaire returned				
Great Chart with Singleton	Land at John Wesley Road now play area - Cuckoo Park	none	Better bin provision and noise control	None	None
Hastingleigh	No questionnaire returned				
High Halden	None	None	None	None	None
Hothfield	We do not believe there are any allotments at The Street	None	None	None	None
Kenardington	None	None	A playing field within safe walking distance of The Wish and High House Business Park. The PC is installing a footpath from The Wish to High House BP.	There are several families with small children in the village	We considered putting a small play area in The Wish but there was no support from the adjacent residents. Historically a field adjacent to The Wish was made available to residents by our Chairman but when older kids started riding motorbikes around it he fenced it off as it was dangerous for small

					children and we would not police it. Also the royal military canal is an important green link to the village.
Kingsnorth	No questionnaire returned				
Little Chart	Additional land acquired west of Little Chart Mill - now features MUGA and seating area. Toddler play area at back of village hall	No plans - but land known as 'The Plantation' may be designated as village green at a later date.	None	None	We consider the standard of open space we have to be of excellent quality and well maintained.
Mersham & Sevington	No questionnaire returned				
Molash	No questionnaire returned				
Newenden	None	None	None	None	None
Orlestone	No questionnaire returned				
Pluckley	No questionnaire returned				
Rolvenden	No questionnaire returned				
Ruckinge	None	None	None	None	None

Shadoxhurst	Don't want to replace play area removed at Nairne Close due to ASB	None	In danger of losing green spaces due to development coming forward. The Kings Head pub field has been used recreationally by all villagers and for many village events over the years. This area is now up for development with a planning application made by the developer. Parish would like some green space provided in the development with a pond, planning are pushing for more housing	A need for a quiet recreation area in the emerging centre of the village for families to use. Connectivity issues with no pavements in places. The existing recreation ground is quite a distance to walk from some parts of the village.	As our village continues to grow it is very important that development includes designed in green spaces and that trees and hedges are preserved. Concerned about building creep from Chilmington and other developments. Would like to see a designated green belt area identified around the village.
Smarden	No questionnaire returned				
Smeeth	Not within the last 5 years, but the churchyard at St Mary's Church, Smeeth is not shown. Green space at Callard is not shown	None	None	None	None
Stanhope	Ball court/kick about area, Otterden Close. Gardens, Otterden Close (opposite Stanhope Parish Hall)	None	Skate Park near Courtside with teen shelter	None	None
Stone	No questionnaire returned				

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Tenterden	Added on Westwell Court, Appledore Road, Cruttenden Close, Millennium Garden	The town council is seeking to acquire land for outdoor sports pitches.	Possible acquisition of other land (at Belgar or Huson Farm) for open space of different type if further development proceeds here.	Football, netball, tennis, dog walkers, walkers generally	We would seek from ABC indications as to the min standards for a population of say 10,000 with a view to at least achieving those standards. Outdoor sports pitches are an urgent and important priority.
Warehorne	No questionnaire returned				
Westwell	3 designated village greens	None	None	None	None
Wittersham	Outdoor sports area is privately owned, play area no longer viable due to 2 dwellings being built in the informal green space. Part of the space with the larger play area is registered as Village Green.	None	None	Teens asking for skate park but opposition against this in any of the open spaces	None
Woodchurch	Extension to the village Green - 1/2 acres	None	Bigger play area; extension to outdoor gym area	None	None
Wye with Hinxhill	No questionnaire returned - some comments by email				