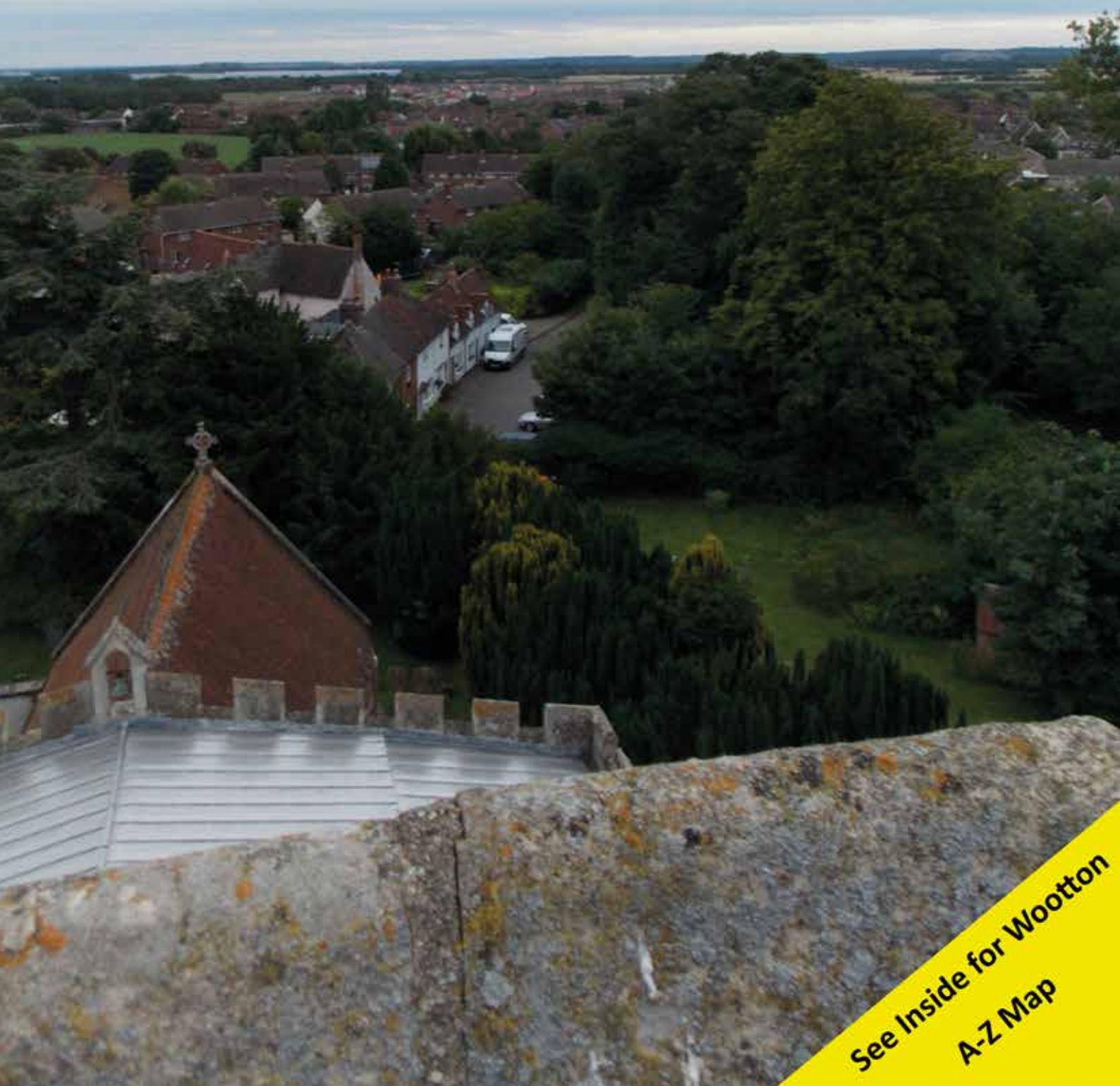


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A-Z Map

History of Wootton

Wootton or Wotton, comes from the Olde English pre-7th Century words "wudu", wood and "tun", enclosure or settlement. Later in history, Wootton came to mean "settlement by a wood". Our Wootton (Bedfordshire) was recorded as "Otone" in the Domesday Book in 1086 and "Wutton" in 1197 in the Feet of Fines. Wootton has been a popular place name throughout English history. In the 21st Century there are at least 18 Woottons in England and one in Australia, a few hours drive north of Sydney.



Wootton has had a long association with brickmaking with references in the 17th century to the bricks made in the tithe kiln at Wood End. In both the early and late part of the 18th century church bells were made here for several churches in Bedfordshire and adjoining counties. The early part of the 19th century saw the opening and licensing of "The Black Horse" PH (public house), shortly followed by "The Fox and Duck" PH and the "Rose and Crown" PH, which we now know as "The Legstraps" PH. "The Cock Inn" PH is older however, and was described in 1764 as an alehouse and blacksmith's forge. "The Chequers" PH is believed to be a 17th century building. Around the same time, the Baptist Church was built at a cost of £400. The latter part of the 19th century saw the opening of Wootton's first school and the Methodist Church. For sports fans, towards the end of the 19th century we find our first reference to a cricket match against Kempston, which we must have won! A few years later in 1890, Wootton Blue Cross Football club was formed.

Going back to the Domesday Book, Wootton was listed as having 26 residents (20 villagers and six slaves) across ten hides. By 1901, the population had risen to 1,252. The population remained steady throughout the first half of the 20th century. However, by 1971, the population had climbed to 2,386, rising to 4,230 in 2001. According to the 2011 census, the area covered by Wootton civil parish had 4,156 residents living in 1,654 households. With the latest expansion, Sherwood Close, Berryfields and Little Wootton we are now probably close to a population of 5,000.

The Parish Council (staff and volunteers)

Wootton Parish Council was founded in 1894 and as the first tier of local government, is the closest to the people it represents. The council consists of 15 voluntary councillors who serve for a period of up to four years before standing for re-election.

The parish council employs one full time and three part-time members of staff.

Sue Playford	(Full time) - Clerk to the Council & Responsible Financial Officer
Charlotte Mihailiuc	(Part time) - Recreation Ground caretaker
Alison Reed-Thomsett	(Part time) - Allotments Officer
Lorna Cochrane	(Part time) - Litter picker

Contacting the Parish Council

Please use one of the methods below to contact the parish council. You can also contact the councillors directly (see page 3) or attend one of our meetings. Don't worry, you don't have to stay for the whole meeting if you don't wish to. Members of public can usually speak at the beginning of the meeting.

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Chairman's Report



You have invested time and money in living here and we hope to show you how the parish council is working to enrich the lives of everyone who live, work or are educated in the village. We hope to show how all of us can seek to influence how the village could be improved in the future. I hope my report contains information you will find useful.

Fun Fest

The Fun Fest in July last year was another great success, with more people attending than in past years. This event is organized by a few volunteers and I would like to thank them for the hours they put in. If any resident wants to help or has suggestions for improvements, please get in touch. Following feedback, we are this year lifting the dog ban, just for the day. Dogs must be kept on leads at all times and all mess picked up and properly disposed of. The lifting of the ban for the 2019 Fun Fest will depend how responsible dog owners are at this year's event on 7th July.

Christmas

The Christmas tree and switch-on event was again a success and attracted many parishioners and their families. Many thanks go to the organisers of the event. I am aware that some residents thought we needed more than just lights on the tree – in fact, many added their own decorations. We are toying with the idea of having a tree dressing afternoon on the Sunday the lights are switched on. Residents could come and add their decorations before the switch-on event later the same day.

Old and New Wootton

I have heard and seen a lot of negative comments about new and old Wootton. Yes – the village has become larger, but it is still a village! The longer-term residents should take pride that so many people want to live in our village – those I have met from the new development moved here because they want to embrace and enjoy our village life. If we all pull together Wootton will remain a fantastic and safe place to live. That's not to say there isn't room for improvement or that something is lacking in the village – come and talk to us and let's see what can be achieved.

The Neighbourhood Plan

The Neighbourhood Plan is important to protect the village. Unlike previous ideas to shape the future of parishes (including parish plans) – a Neighbourhood Plan becomes a legal document once adopted. Bedford Borough Council has to take the plan into account, when determining further developments within the borough. Without it, they are free to build as and where they determine.

BUT - the Neighbourhood Plan is more than just about the building of houses. It is a way of finding out what facilities the residents of Wootton would like – not easy as the village grows. With that information, we can put a plan together to deliver some of these facilities in the coming years.

Please come along to any displays or complete any surveys you receive so that you can influence how the village is improved.

Clubs in Wootton

We aim to list all clubs and organisations in the village on our website. Please take a look and if you believe someone or something is missing (or you spot an error), please let the clerk know so it can be amended. There are many different activities – hopefully something for everyone.

Clerk's Report



As Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer for Wootton Parish Council, I am pleased to contribute to the first Annual Report. This report provides a window on who your parish councillors are, and those staff members employed by the parish council (and what they do). We have mentioned the parish council's responsibilities and ongoing and future projects, which we are currently overseeing or will take on as we move forward.

Financial information shows how our finances are managed, including the precept we receive as part of the council tax. It also shows the income generated from services we provide including allotments, sports facilities hire and the cemetery at Lorraine Road. You can also find information on how the full council and committees run, plus details on our emerging Neighbourhood Plan.

We have also included an A-Z map of the village that we hope you will keep and refer to.

Our aim is to provide as much information as we can – and we have indicated how you might learn more. We know not everyone is on the internet or a social media user, so we hope this report is a good starting point.

I am in the village every Monday and Wednesday between 10am and noon (but do please check as this can be subject to change) and your parish councillors run a monthly surgery (Lorraine Road library) on the first Saturday of each month between 11am and noon, if you would like to see someone in person.

Borough Councillor's Report

Each year borough councillors are allocated a sum of money which they can use to support community schemes in their wards. This year I was very pleased to make contributions from my ward fund to the following schemes in Wootton:



- £2000 to Wootton Upper School, supplying laptops for students to teach elderly Wootton residents IT skills
- £1000 to Wootton Lower School to take special educational pupils with disabilities, as well as pupil premium children to a careers event in London
- £1712 to provide kit for the Wootton Community First Responder scheme
- £1000 to Wootton Lower School for a summer holiday camp
- £965 to Wootton Baptist Church to purchase 10 special chairs for elderly attendees
- £100 for the Looked After Children Awards, celebrating the achievements of Bedford Borough's children in care
- £1564 to the Bizzy Bees Pre School to purchase 2 iPads and pencils
- £547 to Wootton Upper School to provide special lighting for the light sensory room for special educational needs and pupils with disabilities
- £1300 to Wootton Upper School to provide benches for a quiet area for vulnerable pupils
- £912 to contribute towards Wootton Lower School visit by the Theatre Company performing 'Jungle Book'

Did you know?

As a borough councillor I can advise families in Wootton with benefits, Council Tax and rent issues and put them in contact with the relevant departments at the borough council. Working with local charities I can also see if they can help families. Help has been given to quite a few Wootton residents recently.

Wootton Schools

As a governor at both upper and lower schools I have been involved with the children and students working within the community. For example, both schools have sung and helped out at the Robert Lunniss Charity lunch, giving a tea party for senior residents and they will be helping out at this year's Wootton Fun Day in July.

Phase two of Wootton Lower School will now start later on this year to be ready for September 2019 which will provide more places for Wootton children. The new nursery opposite the Lower School on the industrial park is going to the planning committee for approval and work should be commencing soon.

Wootton Update

Work is due to start in September to widen the footpath along Fields Road from Bedford Road to the new roundabout. There will also be a path / cycle track from the new development to the surgery via the front of the new BPHA apartments going to a new pedestrian crossing past the surgery joining the footpath on Fields Road. Fields Road is now due to be resurfaced early next year when all the gas / water pipe works have been completed.

The parish council has updated the bus stops around the village using Community Infrastructure Levy monies (payable by developers to local communities) which enables the elderly, disabled passengers and parents with push chairs easier access to get on and off the buses.

The proposed new shops at Berryfields have now gone to the Borough Planning Committee for final approval and work should commence soon; this has taken longer than expected but will be a good addition to the village.

New L.E.D. lighting has now been installed around the village by the borough council. We are trying to keep up with the pothole situation. Please contact the borough council to report these along with any other highway issues on 01234 718 003 or via <https://highwaysreporting.bedford.gov.uk/>

A lot is now starting to happen in the village and Wootton Parish council and I are working with developers to get the best for the village. We will keep you informed of all updates.

John Wheeler Email: john.wheeler@bedford.gov.uk Phone: 07913 409 433

Community Centre (Berryfields)

Wootton Parish Council solicitors are pushing Persimmon for the contracts so the parish council can take ownership of the Community Centre. A management group made up of councillors and residents of Wootton will be formed to take over the day to day running of the centre. We are planning to hold two open days in June so residents can take a look around the new centre and we will collect the names of those who are interested in joining the management group.

Provisional dates are Saturday 9th June and Sunday 24 June 2018. This will be confirmed on our noticeboards and Facebook page at the beginning of June.

What is the parish council responsible for?

The parish council is responsible for the following:

- Grass cutting (those areas for which it has responsibility);
- Cemeteries maintenance (all three sites – St. Mary's churchyard, St. Mary's churchyard extension and Lorraine Road cemetery);
- Maintenance of the play areas at the Memorial Hall and Recreation Ground sites – including weekly, monthly and annual RoSPA inspections;
- Maintenance of Keeley End Pond;
- Annual Fun Fest;
- Payment of recycling credits to the Wootton Church & Poor's Land Charity (collected from the glass recycling unit at the recreation ground);
- Annual Christmas tree by the junction of Bedford Road/Cause End Road;
- Christmas street lights;
- War Memorial maintenance;
- Allotments and paddock maintenance (Hall End);
- Provision of litter bins (although the borough council empty them);

See under Committees and Responsibilities for further information.

How to find out more information

There are several ways that you can find out what the parish council is doing or planning to do. We cater for the online community and those without internet access. This is your community, so take the time to find out what is going on. By talking to us, you can shape how our community will evolve. Below is a list of ways that you can find out more.

- Council meetings;
- Councillor surgery (first Saturday monthly, at the library, Lorraine Road from 11am until noon);
- Facebook page;
- Newsletter (produced quarterly and delivered to all homes);
- Notice boards;
- Website.

How decisions are made



The council's committees make decisions on issues put before them or make recommendations that are discussed at full council meetings – where the recommendations can be approved, rejected or sent back to the committee for a rethink. Decisions made by the council are implemented by the clerk or other council staff and can only be made at a meeting.

The agenda for each meeting is published one week before the meeting on the parish council's website and in the noticeboards around the village. A link is also included on our Facebook page. Only items on the agenda can be discussed – this is a legal requirement. We do not have "Any Other Business" to ensure everyone knows in advance what will be discussed.

No councillor has the authority to organise, arrange or promise anything - but can pass on requests, which then go through the committee/council procedure.

Committees and Responsibilities

All council meetings are open to the public unless there is a legal reason why they should not be. There is provision for the public to speak at the start of each meeting. Details of meetings, including dates, agendas and previous minutes are published on the council's website under the heading "Parish Documents", followed by "Agendas, Draft and Signed Minutes". Agendas can also be found on our noticeboards and website and they are displayed one week before the meeting. We have meetings on most Wednesdays throughout the year, except in the last three weeks of December. The schedule of meetings can be found on our website under the heading "Parish Council", followed by "Parish Council Meetings".

Committees are either **executive** or **advisory**. An **executive** committee has the power to make decisions. An **advisory** committee does the background work and makes recommendation to full council.

Full Council

Full Council is the main body of the parish council to which all advisory committees report to. All councillors sit on full council which meets on the second Wednesday of each month.

Planning & Environment Committee

The Planning and Environment Committee is the only **executive** committee meaning it can make decisions. It meets twice a month (second and last Wednesday) to consider and comment on all planning matters, and determines the parish council's view in respect of planning applications. If residents have concerns about a planning matter, they are welcome to attend the meeting at which the relevant application will be considered. It is also recommended they contact the borough councillor. It is worth noting however, that the parish council is only one voice and ultimately, the final decision lies with Bedford Borough Council (as the Local Planning Authority).

This committee also considers and comments on all highways matters including footpaths and footways, oversees the management and maintenance of all burial grounds for which the parish council has a designated responsibility, ensures that agreed standards of provision and maintenance are met in respect of the parish council's street lighting, bus shelters and bins and considers any other matters relating to the local environment.

This committee has parish councillor members only.

Leisure and Amenities Committee (L&A)

The Leisure and Amenities Committee is an **advisory** committee which oversees the development, management and maintenance of the parish council's leisure facilities. This includes two recreation ground play areas, MUGA (Multi Use Games Area) and skate park, alongside the public open space for which the parish council has a designated responsibility (including grass cutting). It meets on the last Wednesday of the month. The committee is also responsible for the village war memorial.

This committee has parish councillor members only.

(At the present time this committee's functions have been handed over to full council, whilst the parish council continues to draft a Neighbourhood Plan.)

Finance and General Purposes Committee (F&GP)

The Finance and General Purposes Committee is an **advisory** committee which oversees the management of the parish council's finances and makes recommendation to full council. It meets on the last Wednesday of the month. It has executive powers for the purpose of payment authorisation **ONLY**. It also oversees the parish council's corporate governance arrangements, risk management procedures and insurance arrangements. The committee oversees matters relating to the employment and management of staff and any other matters falling outside of the remit of the council's other committees.

This committee has parish councillor members only.

Fun Fest Committee

The Fun Fest Committee is an **advisory** committee, responsible for organising the annual Fun Fest. It meets two or three times a year. Its aim is to secure acts, stalls and events as appropriate and ensure all Health & Safety aspects are met, including public liability insurance and risk assessments. This group reports to full council which determines its annual budget.

This committee has both resident and parish councillor members. If you think you can help to improve our Fun Fest event we would love to hear from you.

Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group is an **advisory** steering group, created to work on the development of a Neighbourhood Plan, setting timescales, engaging with the community and reporting to full council on progress made. It meets on the last Wednesday of the month. Its aim is to produce a vision and plan which, when adopted, will be a legally binding document to help shape the future of Wootton.

This steering group has both resident and parish councillor members.

Wootton Play Equipment Working Group

The Wootton Play Equipment Working Group is an **advisory** working group, and its aim is to regenerate the Jubilee Garden area at the recreation ground, on Church Road. A range of new children's play equipment will be installed, aimed primarily at age group 0-8 years containing equipment (including sensory items) which will be disable-friendly and suitable for children on the autistic spectrum. It meets on the first Wednesday of the month.

This working group has both resident and parish councillor members.

Roads and Footpaths Safety Steering Group

The Roads and Footpaths Safety Steering Group is an **advisory** steering group, created to work on issues surrounding roads and footpaths and reporting to full council on progress made. It meets every other month. Its aim is to engage with the community, identify all relevant road and footpath issues before recommending how they might be best taken forward and resolved with Bedford Borough Council, as the Local Highways Authority.

This steering group has both resident and parish councillor members.

Financial Report

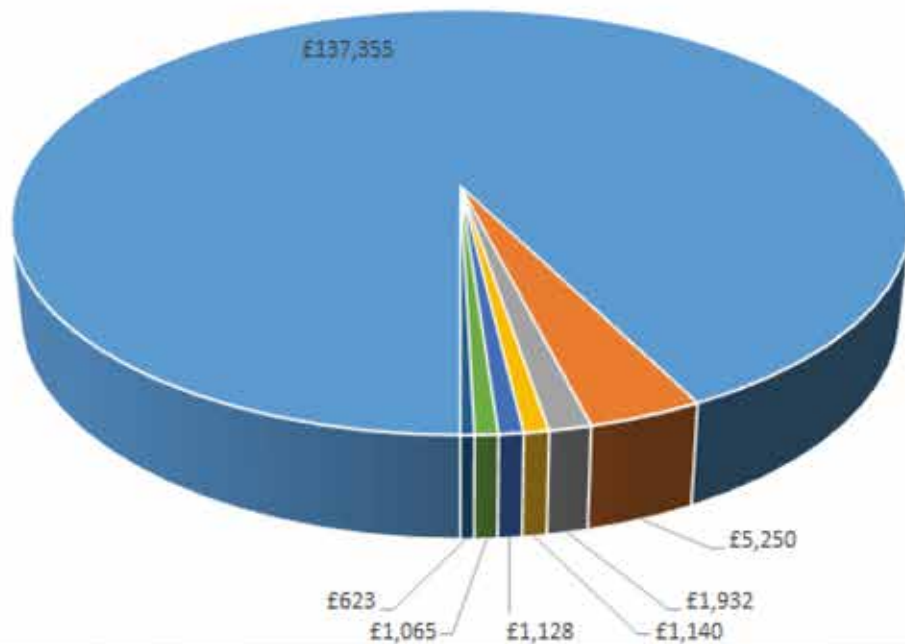
In accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations the parish council employs the services of an independent internal auditor. The external auditors are appointed by the Audit Commission. The annual audit for figures relating to the financial year end 31st March 2018 will normally be completed by September 2018.

Detailed financial information, including audited accounts are available to view via our website, under the heading "Parish Documents" then "Finance".

Audited Accounts (2016/17)

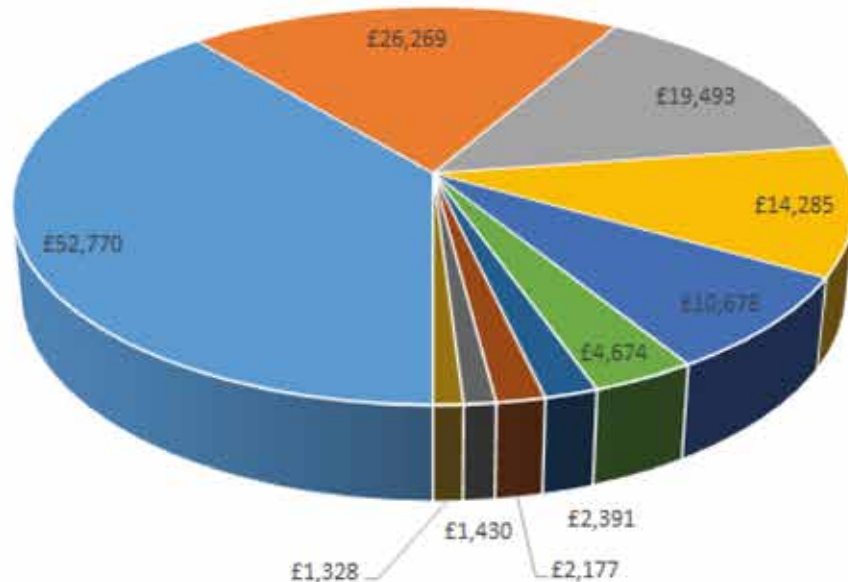
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- Precept
- Cemetery
- Grass cutting
- MUGA
- Recycling Credits
- Allotments
- Interest



2016-17 Expenditure

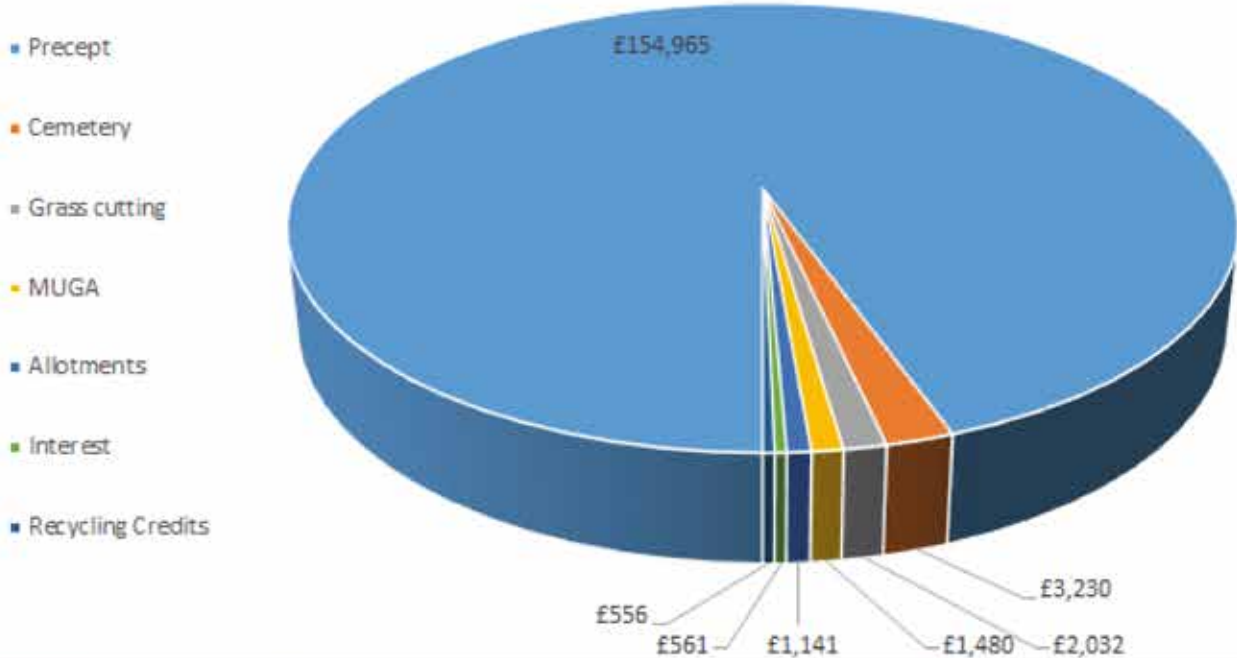
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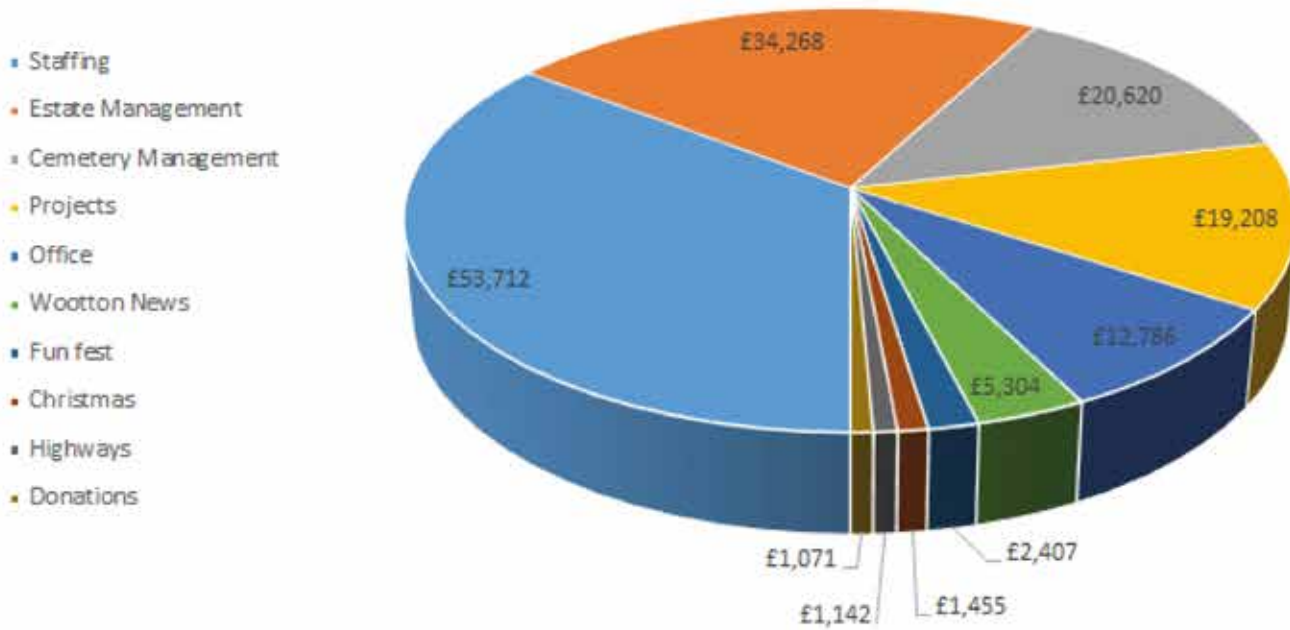
Last years (2017/18)

These accounts will be audited by Mazars and the results displayed on our website in September 2018.

2017-18 Income



2017-18 Expenditure

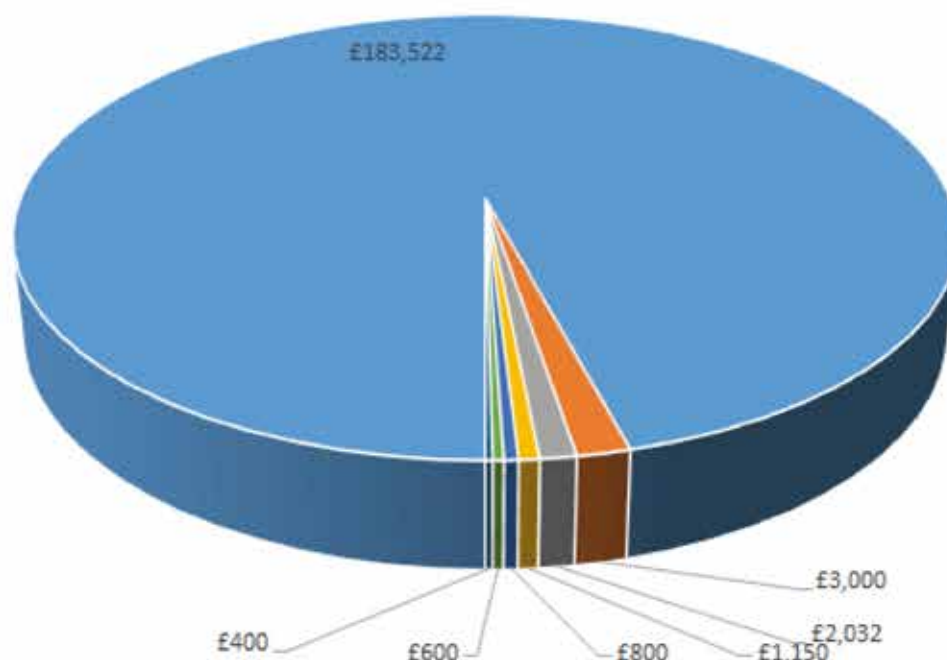


This years (2018/19)

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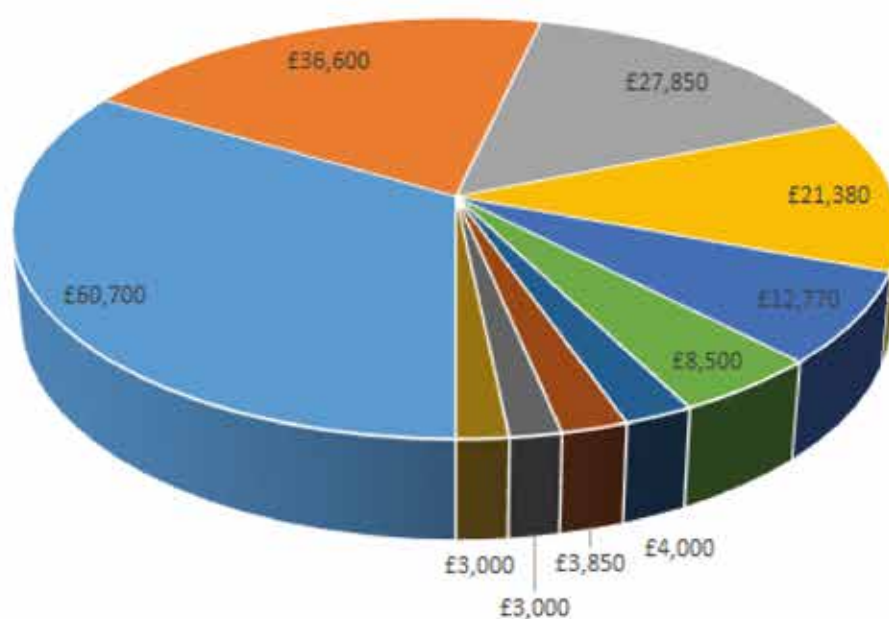
2018-19 Income

- Precept
- Cemetery
- Grass cutting
- Allotments
- Recycling Credits
- MUGA
- Interest



2018-19 Expenditure

- Staffing
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*The precept is a portion of council tax paid to the parish council by Bedford Borough Council, to run the parish. The precept demand is submitted annually to Bedford Borough Council in January.

Grants Awarded 2017/18

Autism Bedfordshire	£300	Awarded to enable them to continue offering children's services where needed;
Wootton Good Neighbour Scheme	£168	Awarded to enable the purchase of promotional materials to raise their profile and attract both those wishing to use their services and volunteers.

Projects Completed in 2017/18

The parish council have completed the following projects in the last 12 months:

- Addition of a footpath at the recreation ground to create a full circuit of the grass area;
- Removal of one kissing gate at the entrance to the recreation ground from Tithe Barn Road, to allow better access for those using buggies, prams or mobility scooter/wheelchair users;
- Christmas street lighting along Bedford Road lamp posts;
- Installation of three flower planters along Bedford Road;
- Upgrading bus stops at several sites in the village – including raising kerbs and tactile paving, to enable improved access for those using buggies, prams or mobility scooters/wheelchairs;
- Installation of a new CCTV system at the Memorial Hall;
- Upgrading and addition of extra cameras to the CCTV system at the recreation ground.

Proposed Projects for 2018/19

The parish council have put forward a number of possible projects to complete in this financial year. Other projects may be added to this list. All projects are formally agreed at a parish council meeting before the work starts:

- Repair of the footpath leading from Church Road to St. Mary's church, north entrance;
- Repairs to St. Mary's churchyard wall and railings;
- Additional planters;
- Upgrading the jubilee garden play area at the recreation ground;
- Increased Christmas street lighting;
- Neighbourhood Plan.

Annual Report - Thanks

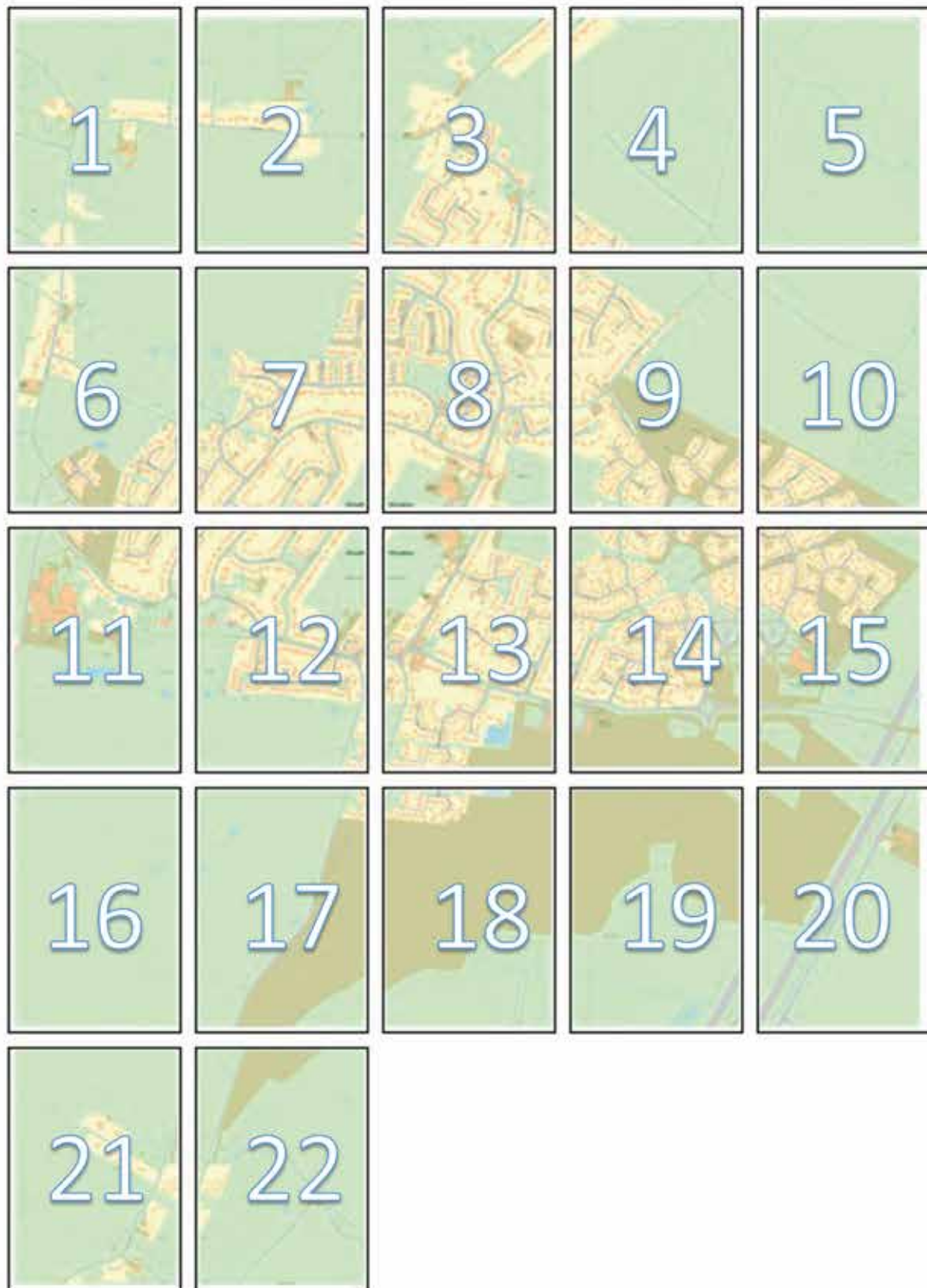
This report has been put together by Gareth Lloyd, Sue Playford and John Wheeler. Special thanks to Paul Quirk for the information on the meaning of our street names (see pages 38 and 39) and also Bill Hall for proof reading the report. Thank you also to all those who volunteer in the parish to help make Wootton a better place to live or work in.

Front cover picture taken from St. Marys Parish Church tower by Gareth Lloyd.

A pdf copy of this Annual report can be found on the Parish council's home page
<http://woottonpc.bedsparishes.gov.uk/>



Wootton Parish Map



Wootton Parish Council has made every effort to create this A-Z with the highest degree of accuracy possible, however it recognises that newer roads/streets may not yet feature. This is likely due to ongoing development within Wootton, however if any other error or omission is noticed, please inform the Clerk to the Council. All content is for informative purposes only. Wootton Parish Council is licensed by Ordnance Survey to reproduce this A-Z.

A-Z Street names

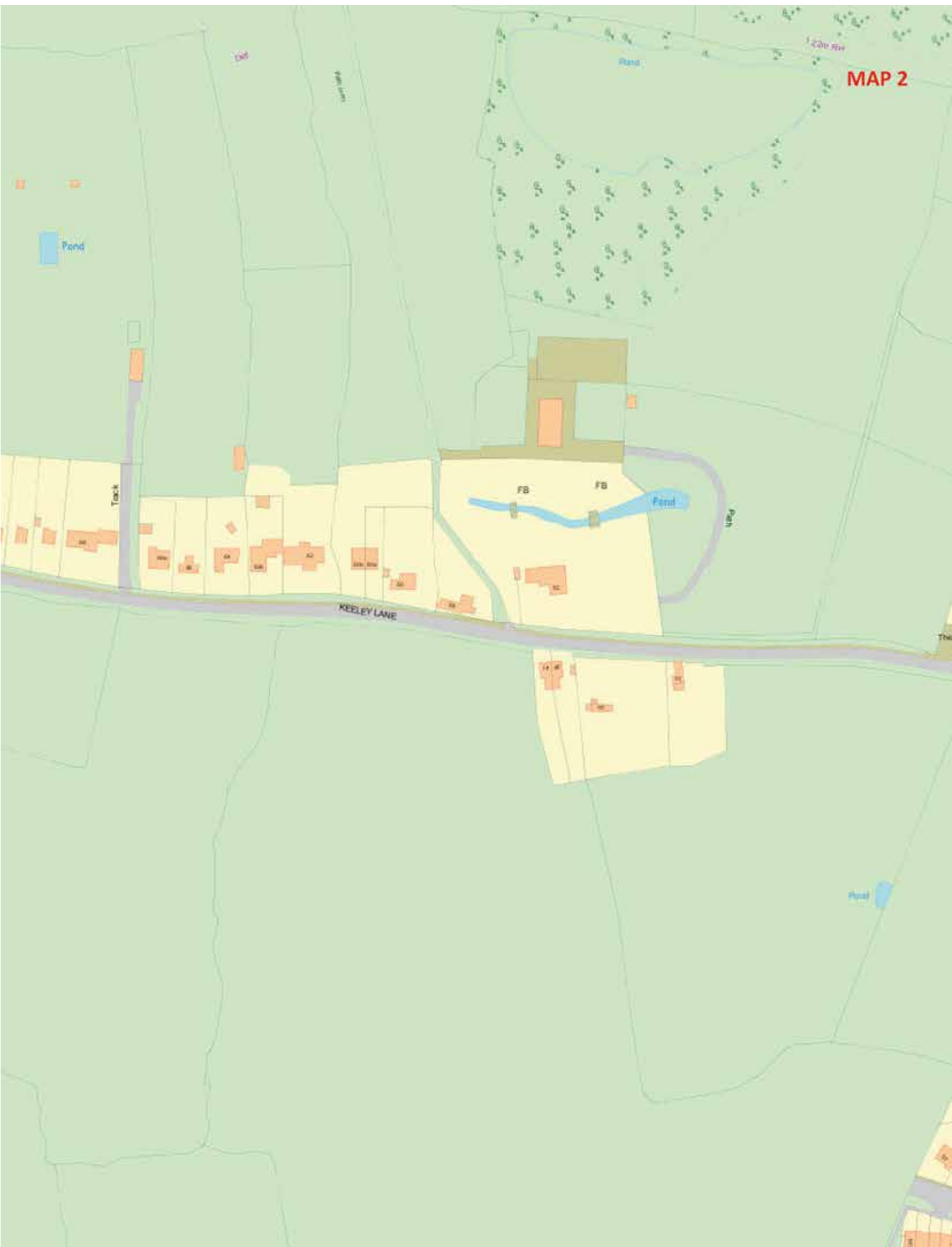
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Arthur Black Way	13, 14	Lorraine Road	7
Ashpole Avenue	14	Lunniss Way	9
Barnes Road	13	Manor Road	8
Beauchamp Road	13	Mepham Road	8
Bedford Road	3, 8, 13	Monoux Road	13
Bellamy Road	13	Moore Close	14
Billing Way	9	Neale Road	7, 8
Bosen Close	6	Neale Way	7
Browns Lane	13, 18	Oak Close	8, 9
Burraway Grove	6, 11	Old School Gardens	12, 13
Canons Close	7	Orchart Gardens	15
Cause End Road	7	Parker Road	15
Church Road	12	Pateman Lane	9
Church Row	12	Payne Road	13
Cranfield Road	17, 21	Pilsbury Close	15
Cynthia Court	14	Popes Way	7
Denny Street	9	Potters Cross	9
Dimmock Road	7	Robinson Close	14, 15
Ellis Close	14	Roseberry Avenue	6
Elmer Crescent	9	Russell Way	12
Elmsdale Road	8, 9	Sanders Way	8
Emerton Way	7	School Lane	13
Farrel Road	8	Sherwood Close	14
Fields Road	13, 14	Simms Close	10
Folkes Road	9, 14, 15	Squires Road	12
Foster Road	8	St Mary's Road	7, 12
Foster Way	8	Stables Court	9
Goff Place	15	Stevenson Walk	15
Grandby Way	9	Stewart Court	14
Grovebury Court	13	Studley Road	6, 7, 11, 12
Halegate	3	Summerfield Drive	13
Hall End Road	6	The Cedars	3, 8
Harris Way	15	The Willows	8
Haycroft	14	Thorpe Way	7, 8
Hide Close	14, 15	Tinkers Corner	1
Hollies Walk	3	Tithe Barn Road	12
Hoo Close	7	Turland Close	9, 14
Hutchings Close	9	Tysoe Close	10
Jenkyn Road	12	Waite Meadows	15
Juffs Lane	14	White Lion Close	8
Keeley Farm Court	3	Winded	15
Keeley Lane	2	Yew Tree Court	8
Lambert Close	14		

MAP 1



MAP 2



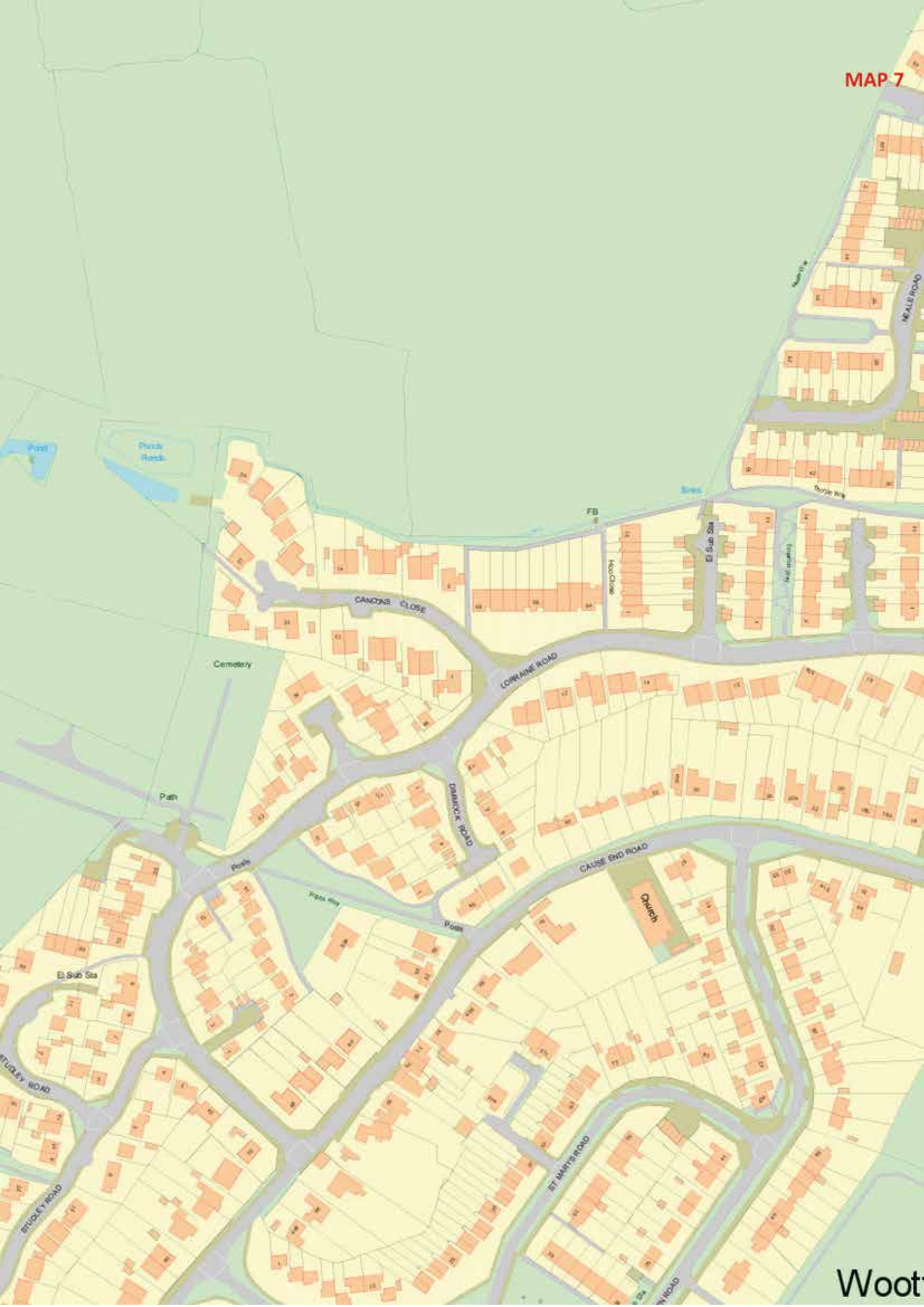




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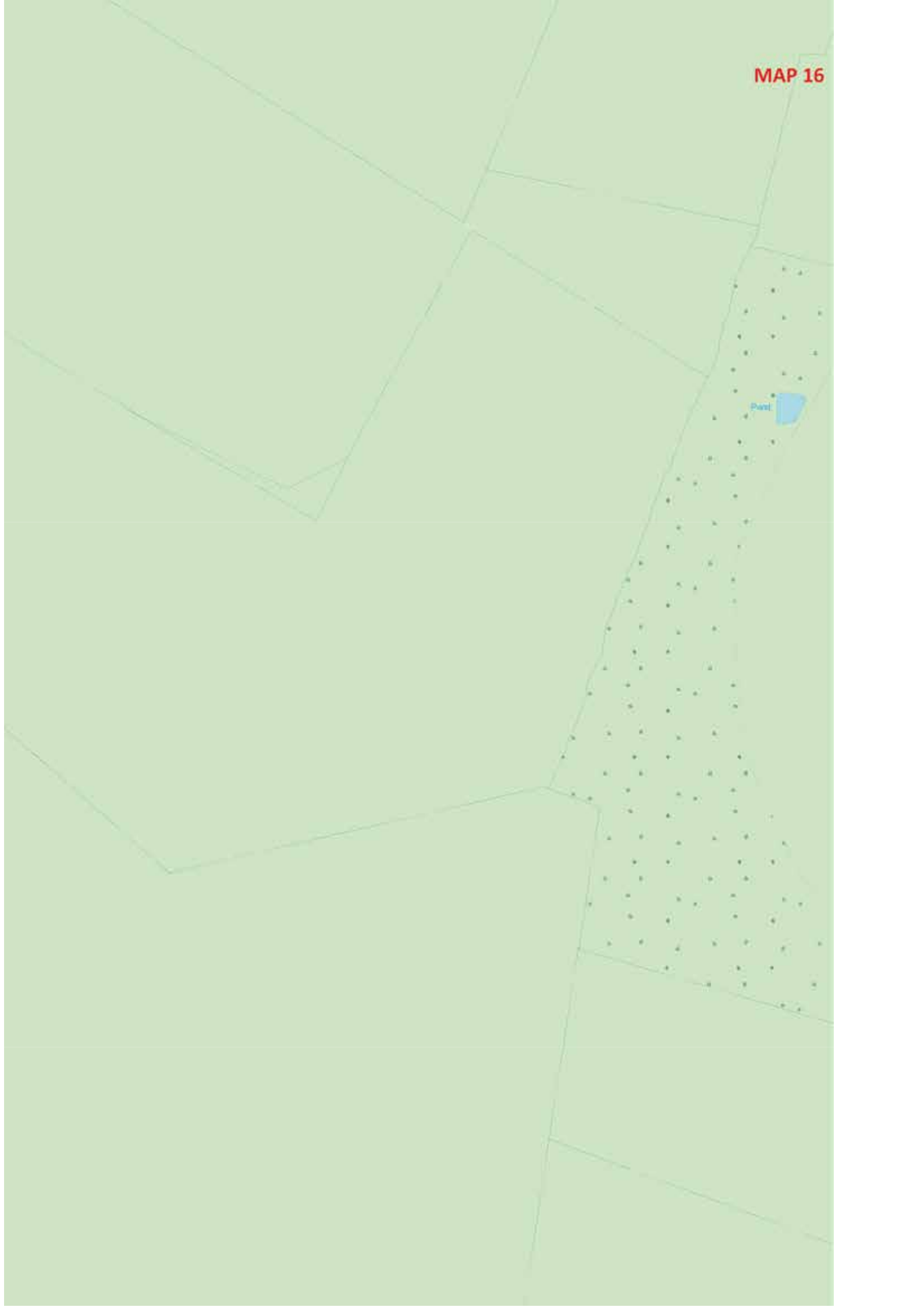


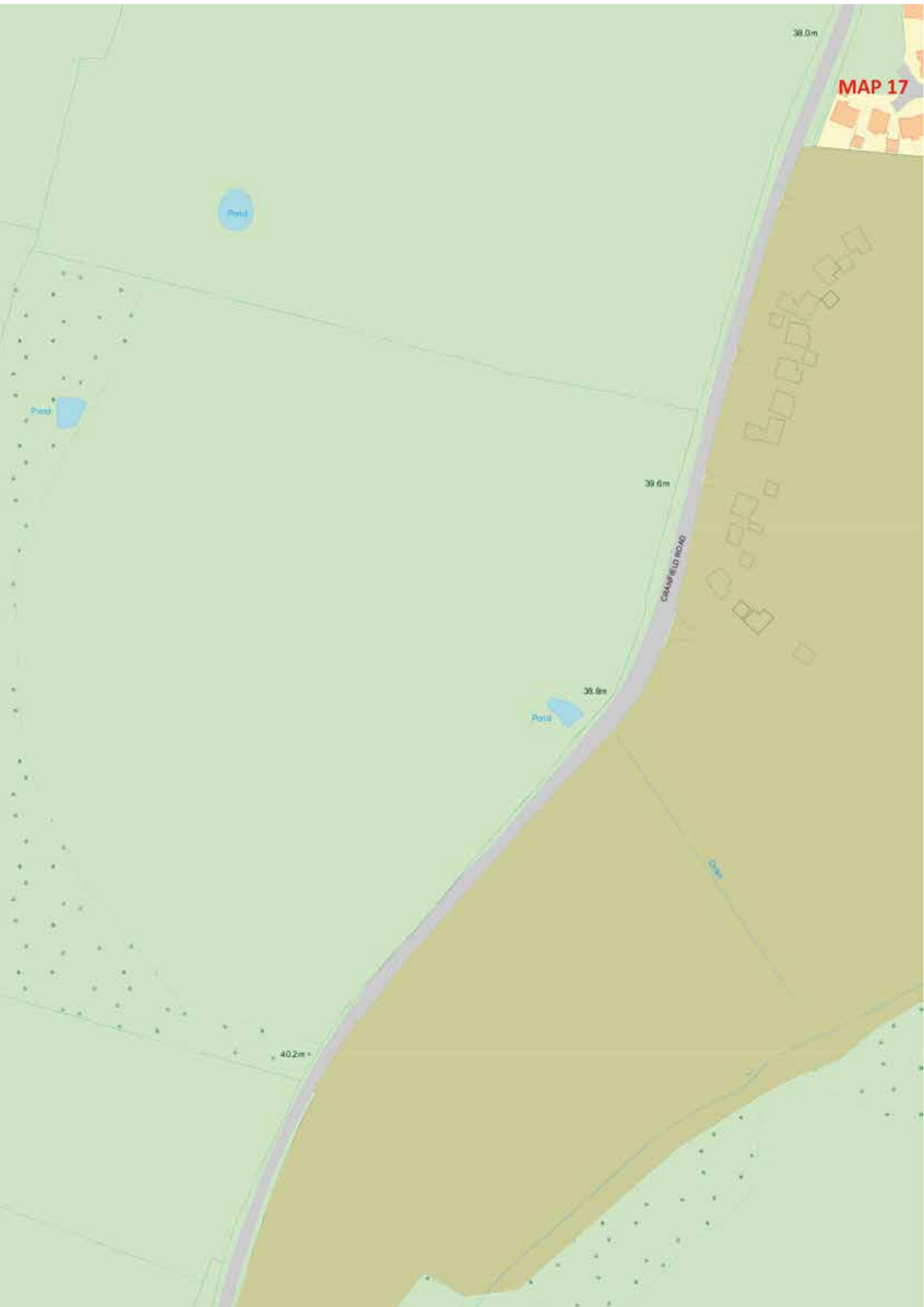
Recreation Ground











MAP 18

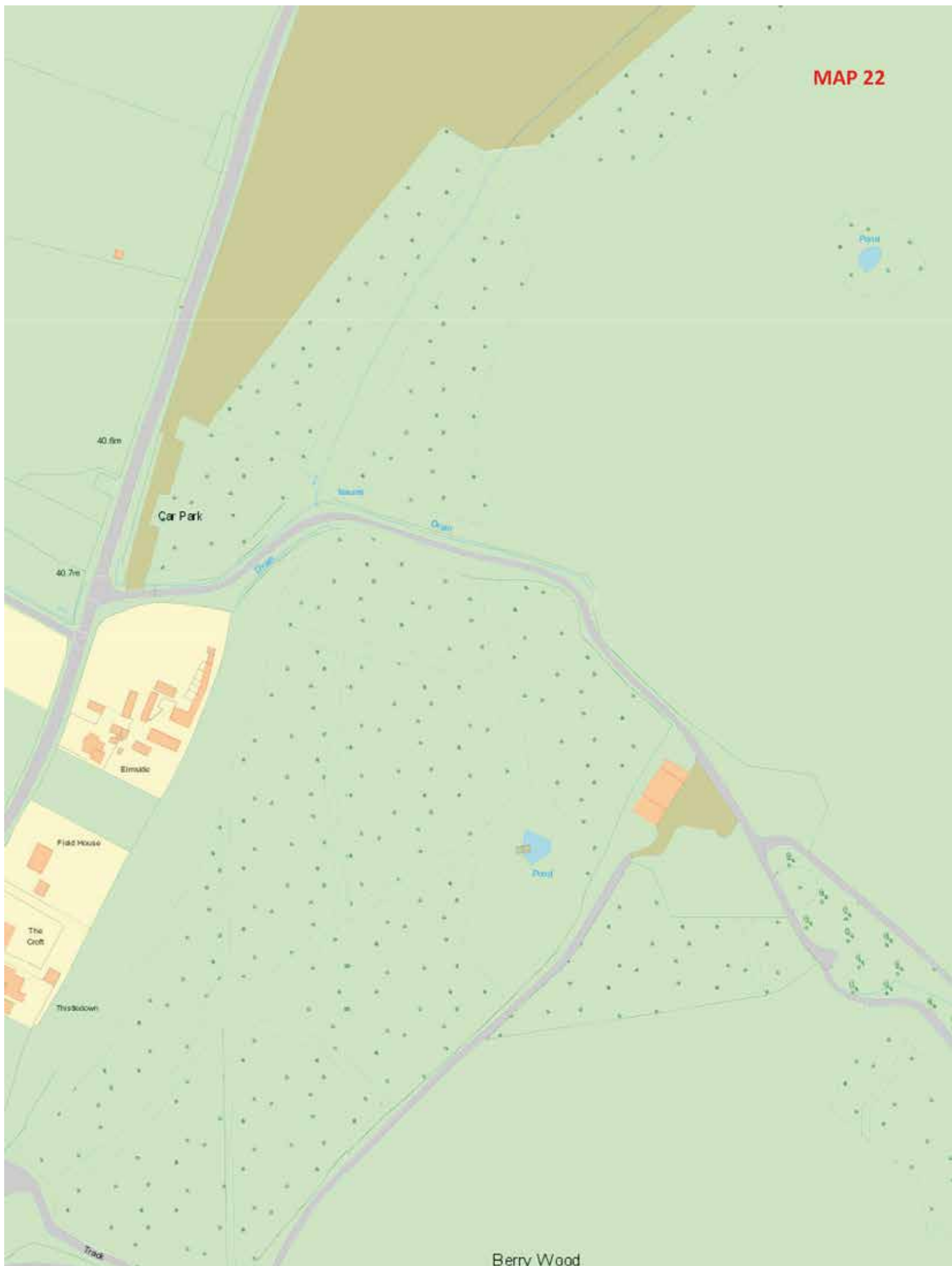






MAP 21





Street names

Arthur Black Way

Ashpole Avenue

Barnes Road

Beauchamp Road

Bedford Road

Bellamy Road

Billing Way

Bosen Close

Browns Lane

Burraway Grove

Canons Close

Cause End Road

Church Road

Church Row

Cranfield Road

Cynthia Court

Denny Street

Dimmock Road

Ellis Close

Elmer Crescent

Elmsdale Road

Emerton Way

Farrell Road

Fields Road

Folkes Road

Foster Road/Way

Goff Place

Granby Way

Grovebury Court

Halegate

Hall End Road

Harris Way

Haycroft

Hide Close

Hollies Walk

Hoo Close

Hutchings Close

Jenkyn Road

Juffs Lane

Keeley Farm Court

Keeley Lane

Lambert Close

Lorraine Road

Lunniss Way

History

Sir Arthur Black was a Member of Parliament for Biggleswade between 1910-1918 (including Wootton). He was a benefactor who donated the land on which the Memorial Hall stands, to the parish

Frank, Reginald and William Ashpole. Soldiers who gave their lives in WWI

Derek Barnes. Previous parish councillor

Beauchamp family. A 12th century family who owned significant land in the parish

Bedford Road. Originally Wootton High Street - this leads to Bedford

Ronald Bellamy. Previous parish councillor

Thomas Billing. Soldier who gave his life in WW1

Local Wootton farming family

Local Wootton family with a long standing connection with the village

Old Wootton manorhouse

Cause End originally led from roughly St.Mary's church to a causeway established by Roman soldiers across the River Great Ouse near Kempston Church End

Church Road leads to St. Mary's church. Also - Ernest and Frederick Church. Soldiers who gave their lives in WW1

The row of cottages on the north approach to St. Mary's church

The road to Cranfield originally called Cranefield

Local Wootton Green farming family

Edward and Thomas Ellis. Soldiers who gave their lives in WW1

The dale or glade where elm trees were once situated

A bell foundry was re-opened by Willam Emerton who cast his first bell in 1768 and continued to cast bells until his death in 1790. His main means of livelihood however, was clock making

Bishop Maurice Farrell lived at Wootton Hoo

Originally Little Brook Lane, it was renamed Fields Road when an housing estate was built alongside it

Frederick and Thomas Folkes. Soldiers who gave their lives in WW1

Albert John Foster was Vicar of Wootton between 1880-1918. Author of local historical romances including "Amphill Towers" (1894) and "The Robber Baron of Bedford Castle" (1893)

Joseph and William Goff. Soldiers who gave their lives in WW1

Frederick Granby. Soldier who gave his life in WW1

Jack Hale. Previous parish councillor

The road to Hall End where previously (in the area by The Chequers PH) its name changed to Mile Road Road as far as Keeley Lane

Alfred and George Harris. Soldiers who gave their lives in WW1

Old Wootton manorhouse

J W Hutchings. Soldier who gave his life in WWI

John and James Jenkyn. Both were Vicars of Wootton between 1830-1840

The Juffs family have a longstanding connection with Wootton - having been at differing times milkmen,bakers and stable owners

Laid out on the lines of the old Keeley Farm Barn and cowshed. A court was never held there!

Old Wootton manorhouse

Lewis Lambert. Soldier who gave his life in WW1

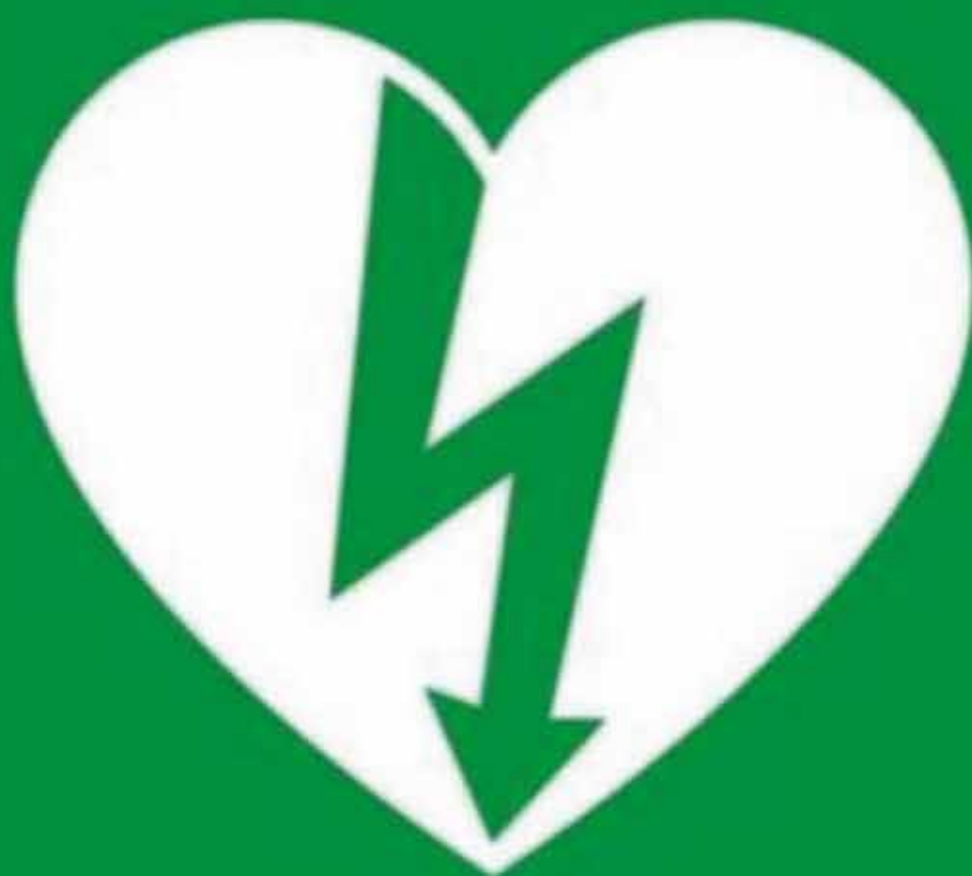
Albert of Lorraine, landowner of Wootton is mentioned in the Domesday Book

Bob Lunniss was the founder and benefactor of the local charity which still bears his name. His final resting place is Lorraine Road cemetery

Street names

History

Manor Road	Old Wootton manorhouse
Mephram Road	William Henry Mephram in 1879 was the local school master and a Justice of the Peace
Monoux Road	Lieutenant Philip Monoux. Killed in the service of King James II fighting in the Monmouth Rebellion
Moore Close	Edward, Frederick, Herbert and Jessie Moore (all of the same family). Soldiers who gave their lives in WW1
Neale Road/Way	Frederick Neale was Vicar of Wootton in 1852
Oak Close	Named after local trees
Old School Gardens	Wootton Old School closed down in 1977
Orchart Gardens	Clive Orchart. Previous clerk to the council
Parker Road	Jubilee and Charles Parker. Soldiers who gave their lives in WW1
Pateman Lane	Richard Pateman. Soldier who gave his life in WW1
Payne Road	The Payne family were Lords of the Manor after the Monoux family declined
Pilsbury Close	William Pilsbury. Soldier who gave his life in WW1
Popes Way	John Pope. Previous clerk to the council in the 1920s. Also Herbert Pope. Soldier who gave his life in WW1. Previously known as Cemetery Lane
Potters Cross	Previously known as Potty Cross and possibly either Porters Cross, or the site of a pottery kiln
Robinson Close	Harry and Samuel. Soldiers who gave their lives in WW1
Roseberry Avenue	
Russell Way	From 1715 until his death in 1743 Thomas Russell cast bells at his Wootton bell foundry
Sanders Way	Ernie Sanders - previous parish and county councillor
School Lane	The second school built in Wootton was adjacent to this road
Sherwood Close	Jean Sherwood. Previous clerk to the council in the 1980s
Simms Close	Reginald Simms. Soldier who gave his life in WWII
Squires Road	Charles Squires was Vicar of Wootton between 1918-1940
St Marys Road	Named after the local church
Stables Court	Stables were previously on this site
Stevenson Walk	Pamela Stevenson - previous parish councillor and tree warden
Stewart Court	Sir Malcolm Stewart. Founder of the village of Stewartby in 1937, which at that time was part of the parish of Wootton
Studley Road	Old Wootton manorhouse
Summerfield Drive	Caleb Summerfield. A local brick maker
The Cedars	Named after local trees
The Walnuts	
The Willows	Named after local trees
Thorpe Way	Ronald Thorp was Vicar of Wootton in 1956. Note the different spelling!
Tinkers Corner	An area where travellers were able to stop and rest for the night
Tithe Barn Road	The Old Tithe Barn was demolished in 1955
Turland Close	Graham Turland. Soldier who gave his life in WWII



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