

Cambridge Inner Green Belt Boundary Study

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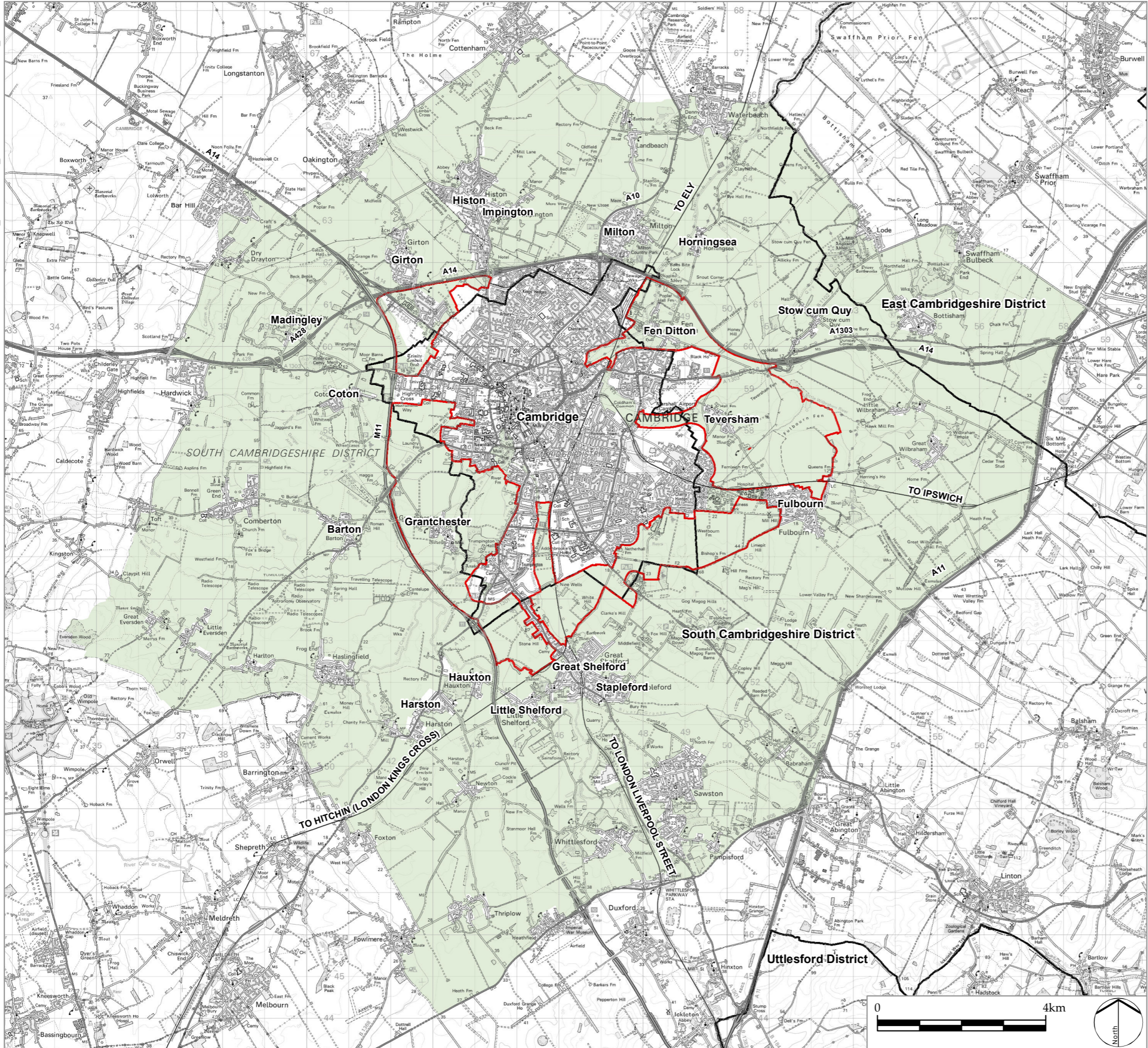
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- Green Belt
- Study Area Boundary
- District Boundary

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Study Area

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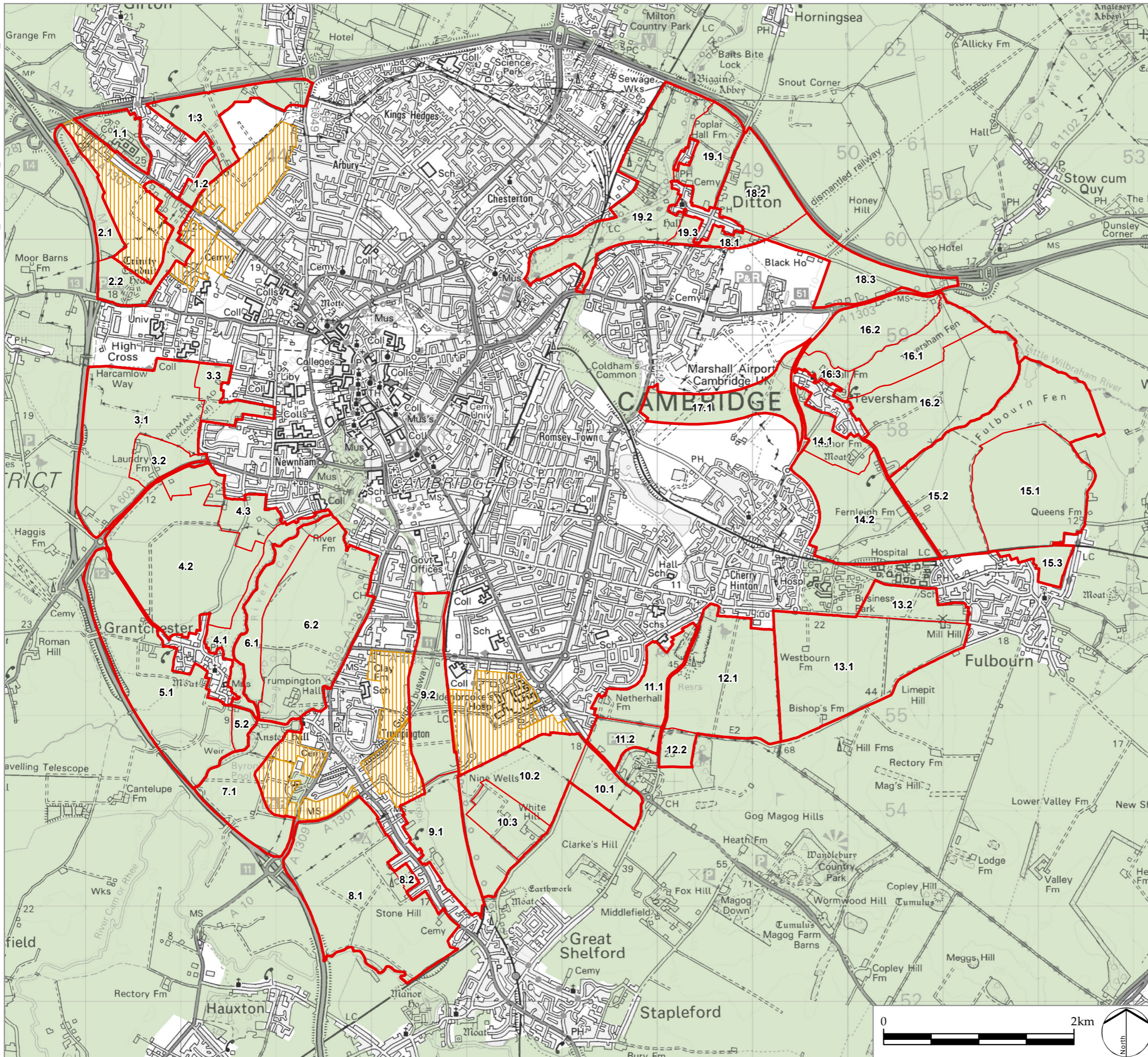
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- Green Belt
- Developments under construction / permitted
- Assessment Sectors
- Assessment Sub Areas

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Figure 2:
Assessment Sectors and Sub Areas

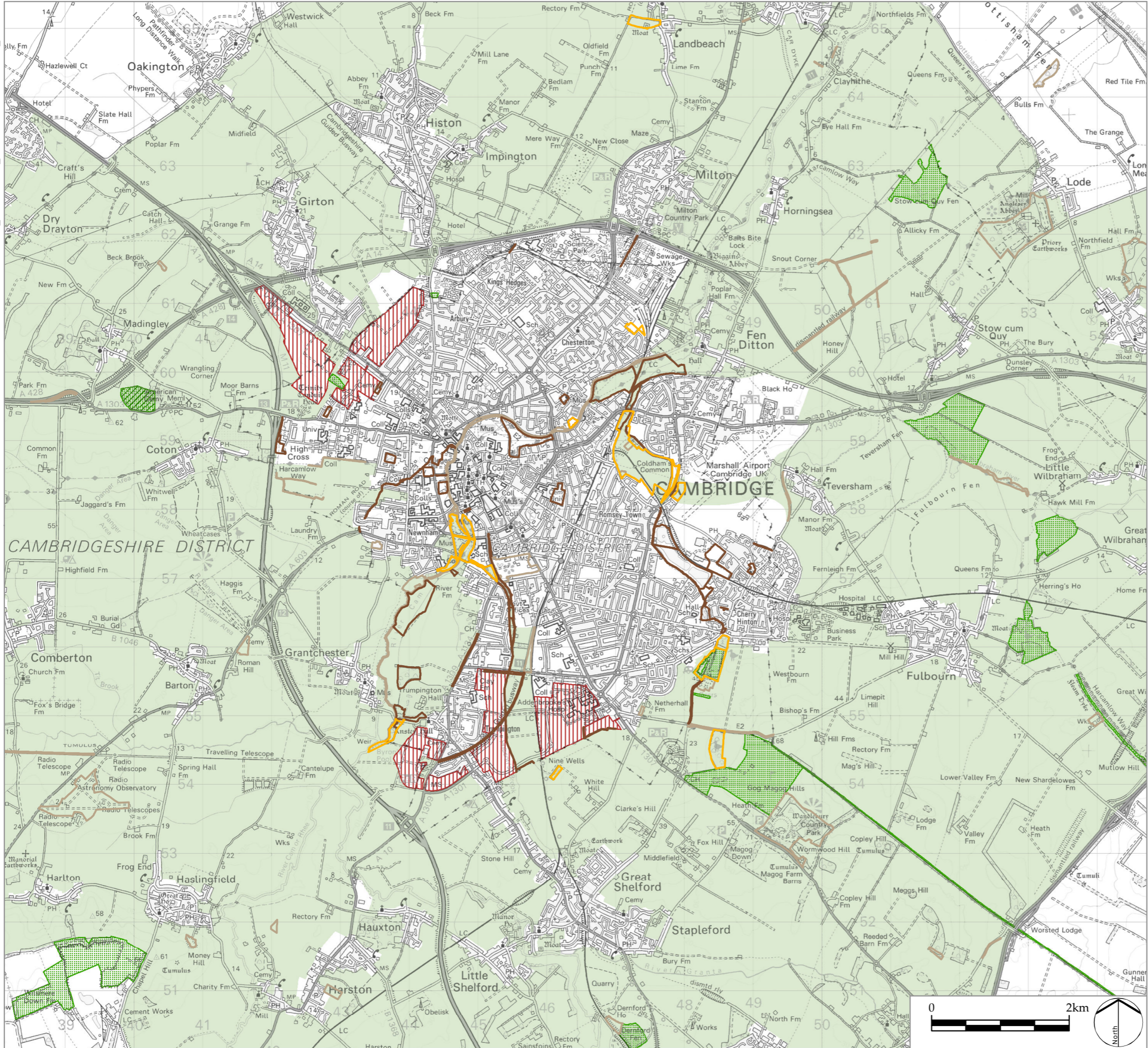
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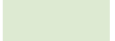






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-  Green Belt
-  Developments under construction/permitted
-  Site of Special Scientific Interest
-  Ancient Woodland
-  County Wildlife Site
-  City Wildlife Site
-  Local Nature Reserve

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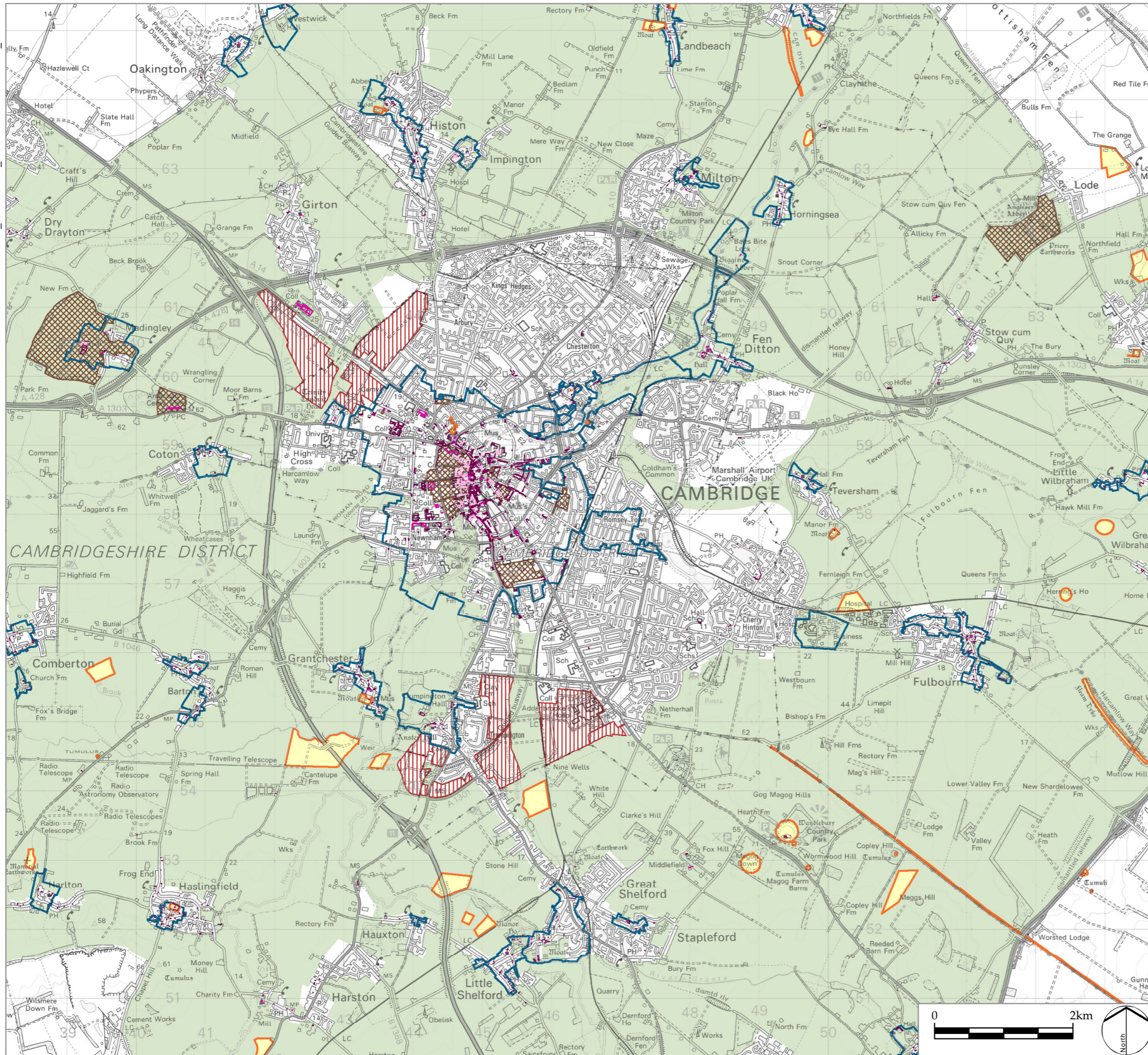
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- Green Belt
- Developments under construction / permitted
- Conservation Area
- Registered Park and Garden
- Scheduled Monument
- I II* II Listed Building

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Cultural Designations

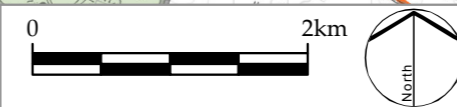
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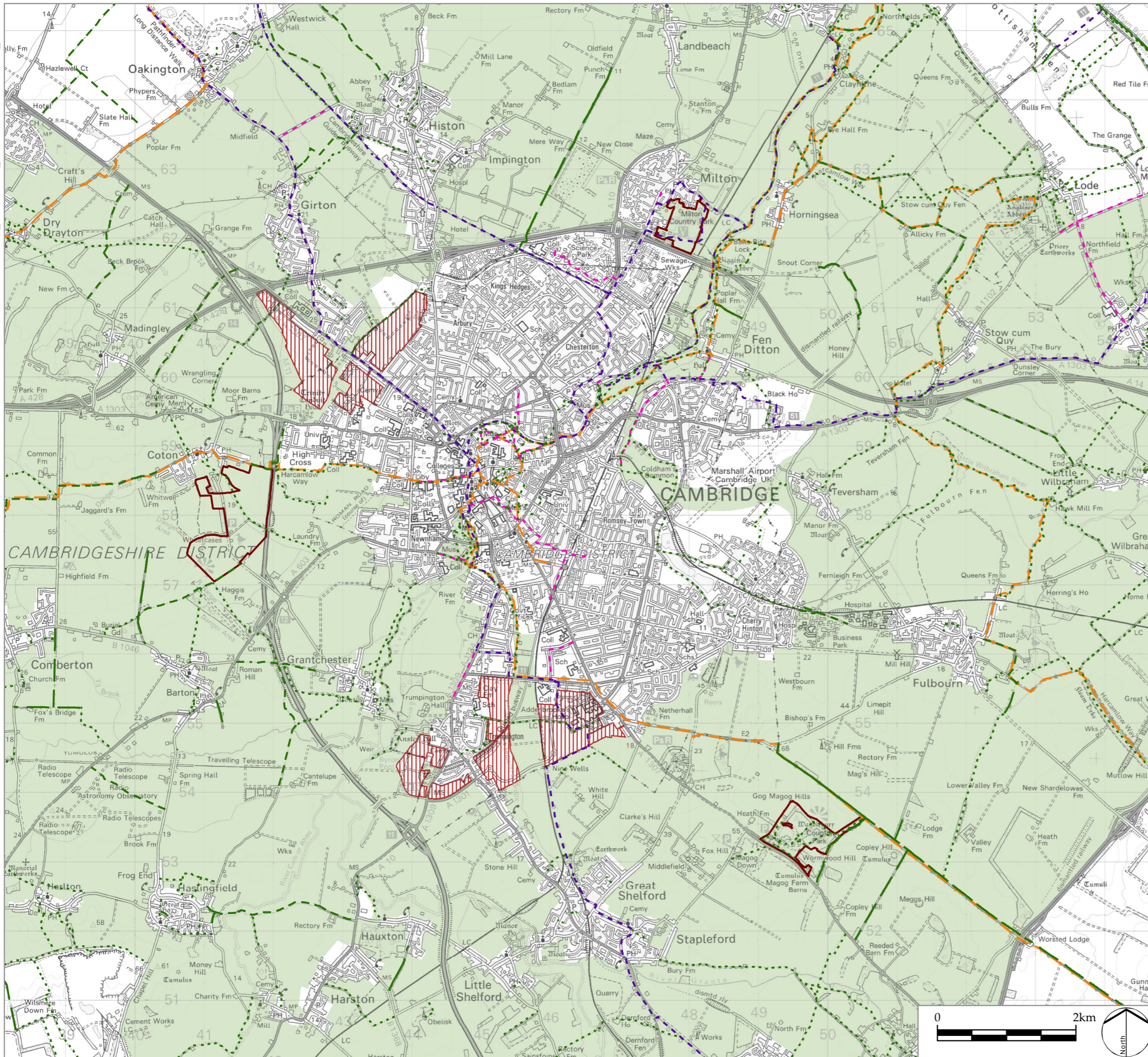
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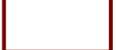






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-  Green Belt
-  Developments under construction / permitted
-  Country Park
-  National Cycle Route
-  National Cycle Network Link
-  Long Distance Footpath
-  Byway
-  Bridleway
-  Footpath

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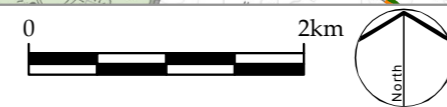
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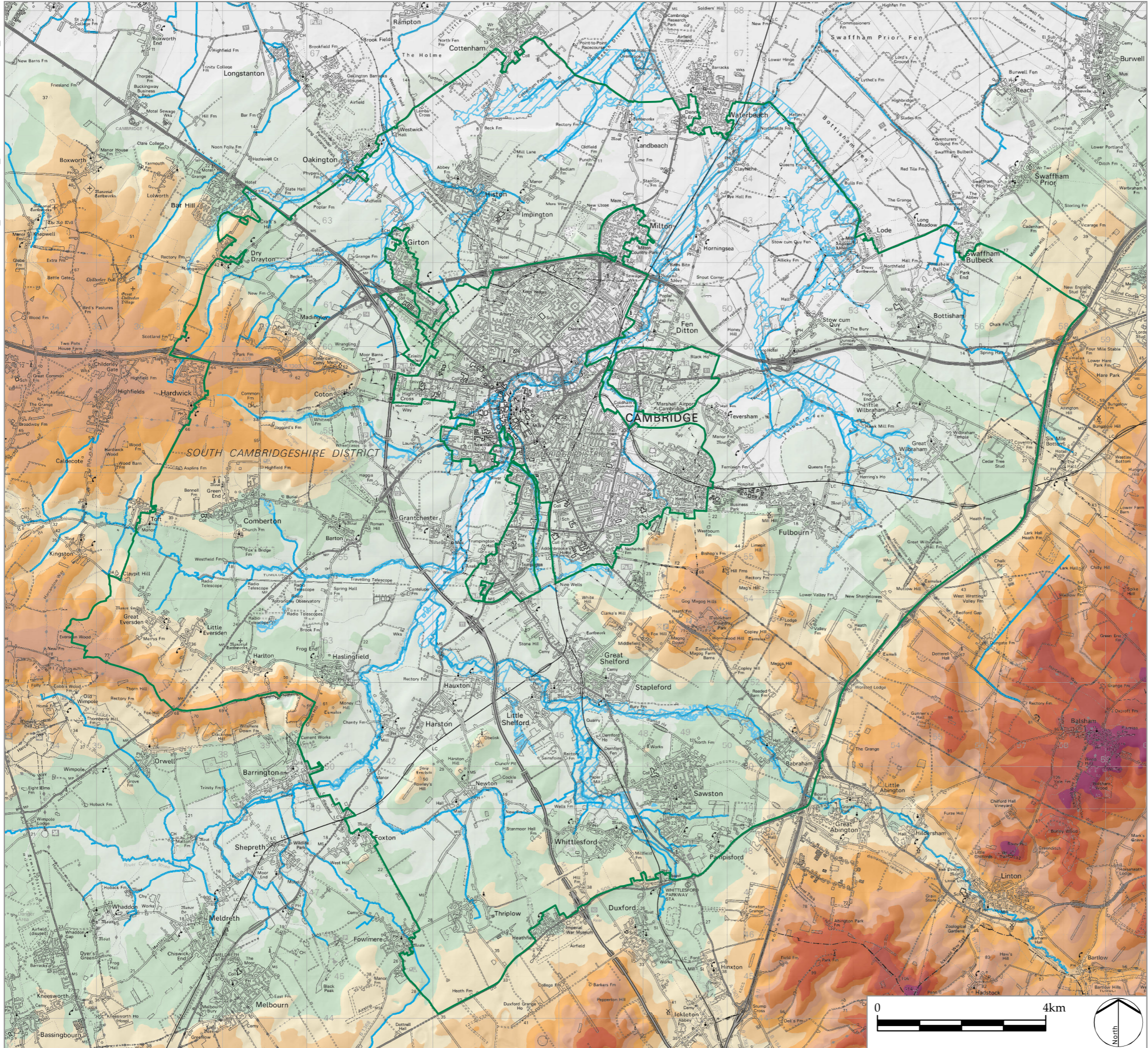
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- Green Belt Boundary (inner and outer edges)
 - Watercourses
 - Floodplain (Environment Agency Flood Zone 3)

Elevation (m AOD)

- 110-120
- 100-110
- 90-100
- 80-90
- 70-80
- 60-70
- 50-60
- 40-50
- 30-40
- 20-30
- 10-20
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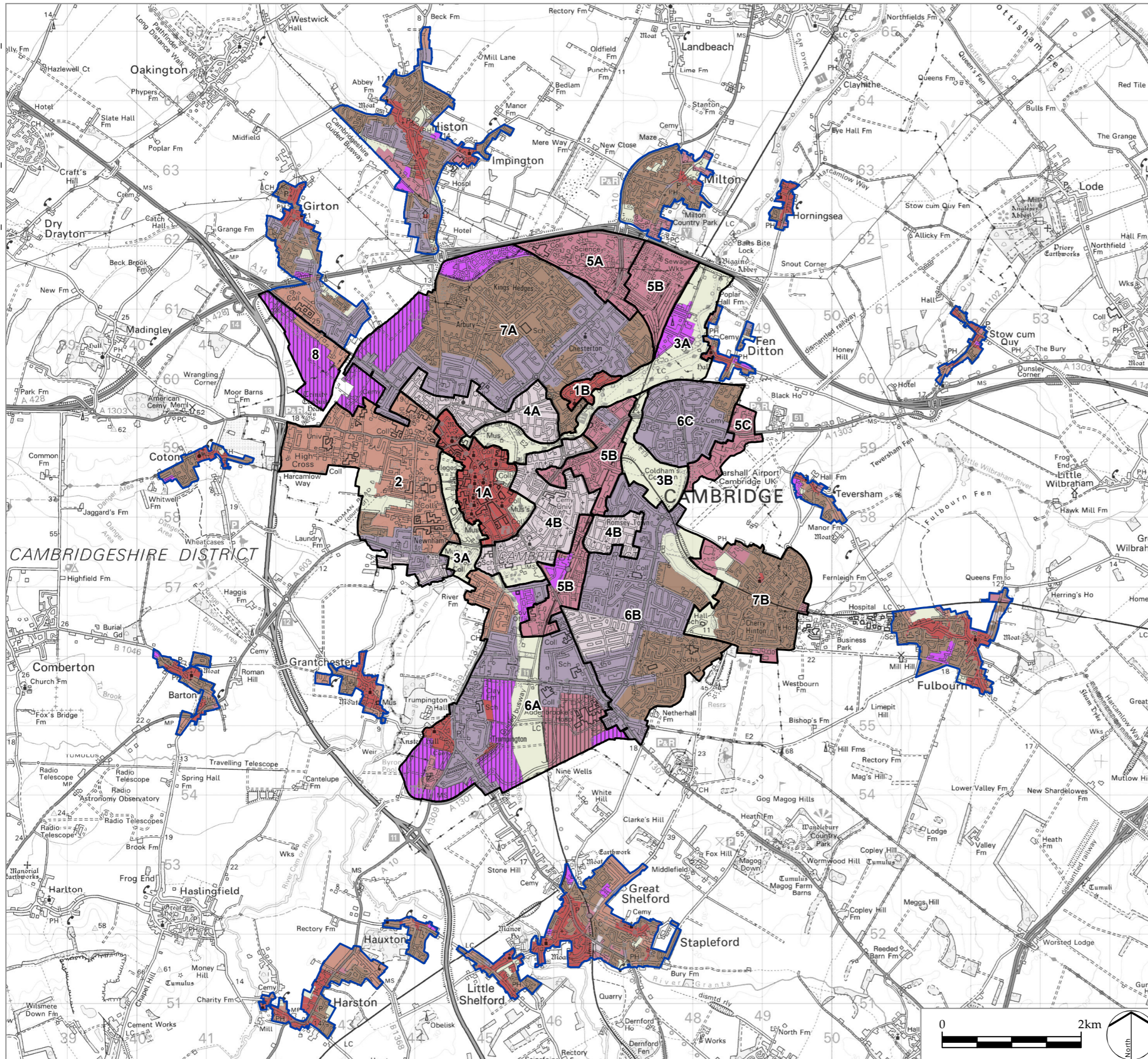
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Developments under construction / permitted

Townscape Character Type

- Historic Core
- Bespoke Houses, Colleges and University Buildings
- Green Spaces and Green Corridors
- Victorian/Edwardian Terraced Housing
- Large Scale Commercial, Industrial and Service Development
- 1900-1945 Suburban Housing
- Post-war Suburban Housing
- 21st Century Mixed Use Development

Townscape Character Areas (as below)

- 1A Cambridge Historic Core
- 1B Chesterton Village
- 2 West Cambridge
- 3A River Cam Corridor
- 3B Coldham's Common
- 4A New Chesterton
- 4B Newtown, Mill Road, Barnwell and Romsey Town
- 5A Cambridge Science Park and St Johns Innovation Park
- 5B Railway Corridor
- 5C Cambridge Airport
- 6A Trumpington and Hills Road
- 6B South-eastern Suburban Estates
- 6C Newmarket Road Suburban Estates
- 7A Northern Suburban Estates
- 7B Cherry Hinton
- 8 North West Cambridge

Necklace Village

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Townscape Character

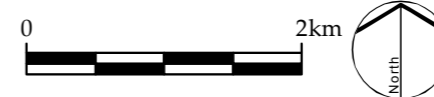
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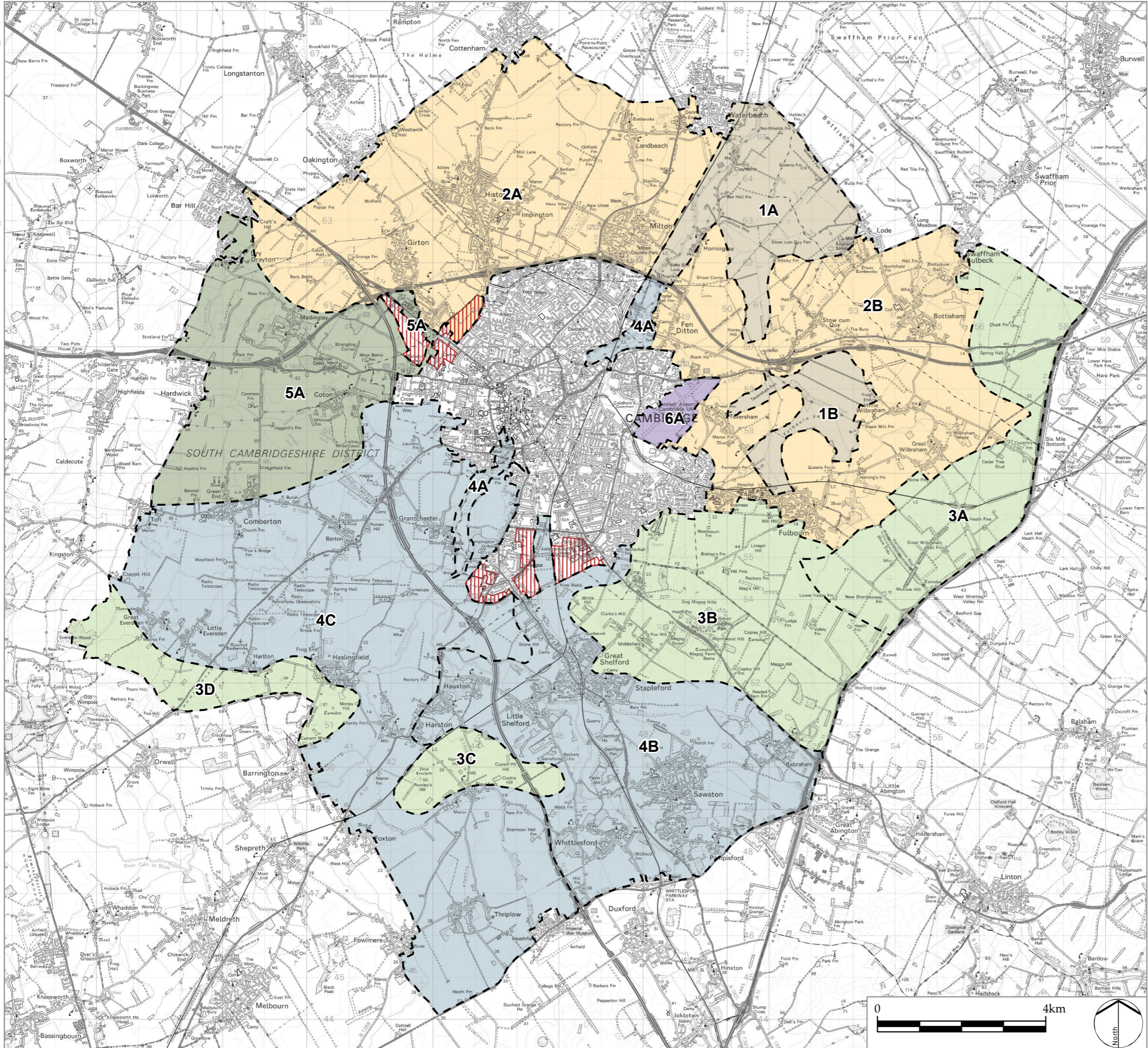
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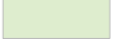
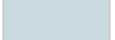



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-  Developments under construction / permitted
- Landscape Type**
-  Fen
-  Fen Edge
-  Chalk Hills
-  River Valleys
-  Claylands
-  Airport
-  Landscape Character Area boundary
- Landscape Character Area**
- 1A. Waterbeach - Lode Fen
- 1B. Little Wilbraham Fen
- 2A. Western Fen Edge
- 2B. Eastern Fen Edge
- 3A. North East Chalk Hills
- 3B. Gog Magog Chalk Hills
- 3C. Newton Chalk Hills
- 3D. Wimpole Ridge Chalk Hills
- 4A. River Cam Corridor
- 4B. Granta Valley
- 4C. Rhee and Bourn Valleys
- 5A. Western Claylands
- 6A. Cambridge Airport

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Landscape Character

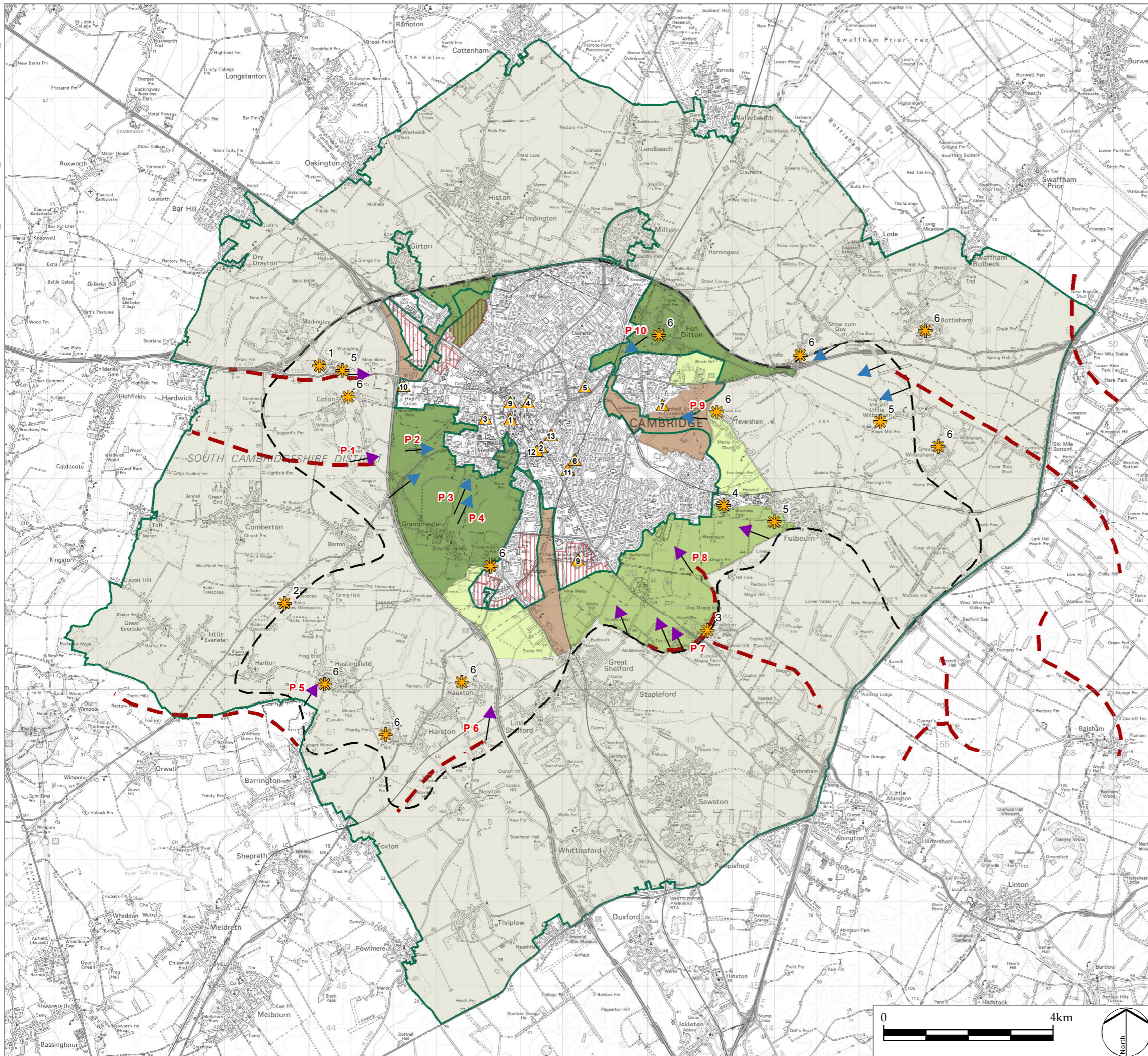
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- LEGEND**
- Green Belt Boundary (inner and outer edges)
 - Developments under construction / permitted
 - Approximate area of Green Belt from which Cambridge may be seen
 - Key elevated view
 - Key low level view
 - Ridgeline
 - Key Cambridge landmarks visible from the setting

1. King's College Chapel	8. Addenbrooke's Hospital
2. Roman Catholic Church spire	9. St John's College
3. University Library	10. Schlumberger Building
4. All Saints Jesus Lane	11. Foster Mill
5. Museum of Technology Chimney	12. Cambridge University Chemistry Building
6. Carter Bridge	13. Parkside Place
7. Cambridge Airport Hangars	

- Distinctive / memorable features in the setting of Cambridge

1. American Cemetery	4. Fulbourn Hospital
2. Radio Astronomy Observatory	5. Windmills
3. Wandlebury woodland on hill top	6. Village churches

Townscape / countryside interface - elevation, foreground character and built edge character as seen in immediate views from routes close to Cambridge

- Level views, countryside foreground, generally soft urban edge
- Elevated views, countryside foreground, mixed urban edge
- Level views, countryside foreground, mixed urban edge
- Level views, mixed foreground, mixed urban edge
- Rural setting with scattered villages

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Visual Assessment**

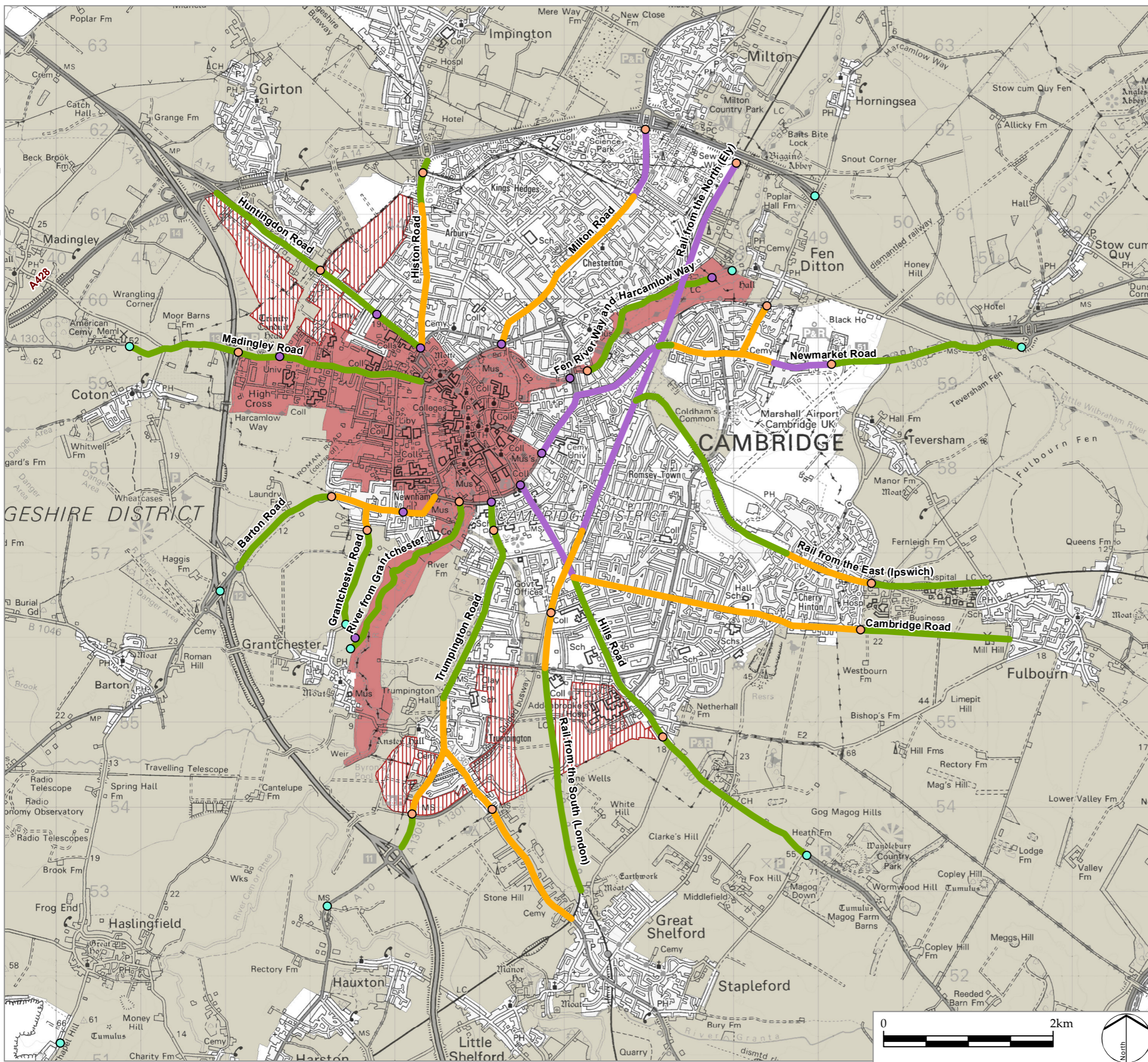
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- Rural land within Green Belt
- Developments under construction / permitted
- Distinctive Cambridge
- Gateways**
- Gateway to distinctive Cambridge
- Urban gateway
- First view of Cambridge
- Character of Approaches**
- Green/treed
- Suburban
- Commercial

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Gateways and Approaches

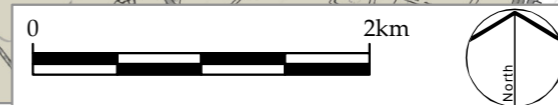
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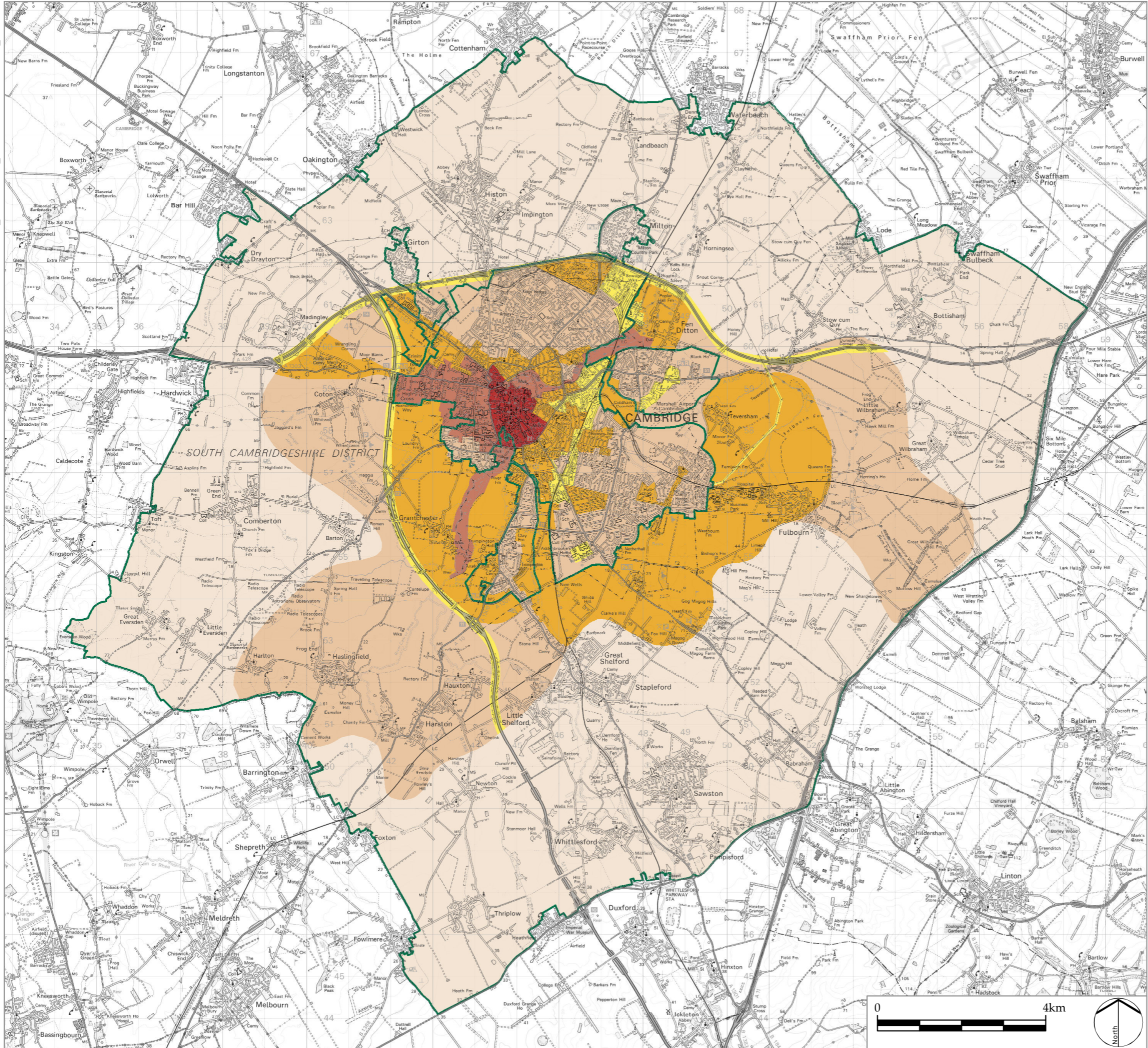
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- Green Belt Boundary (inner and outer edges)
 - Visually cohesive Historic Core
 - Distinctive townscape/landscape
 - Supportive townscape/landscape
 - Connective townscape/landscape
 - Visually detracting townscape/landscape
 - Outer rural areas of the Green Belt

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Townscape and Landscape Role and Function**

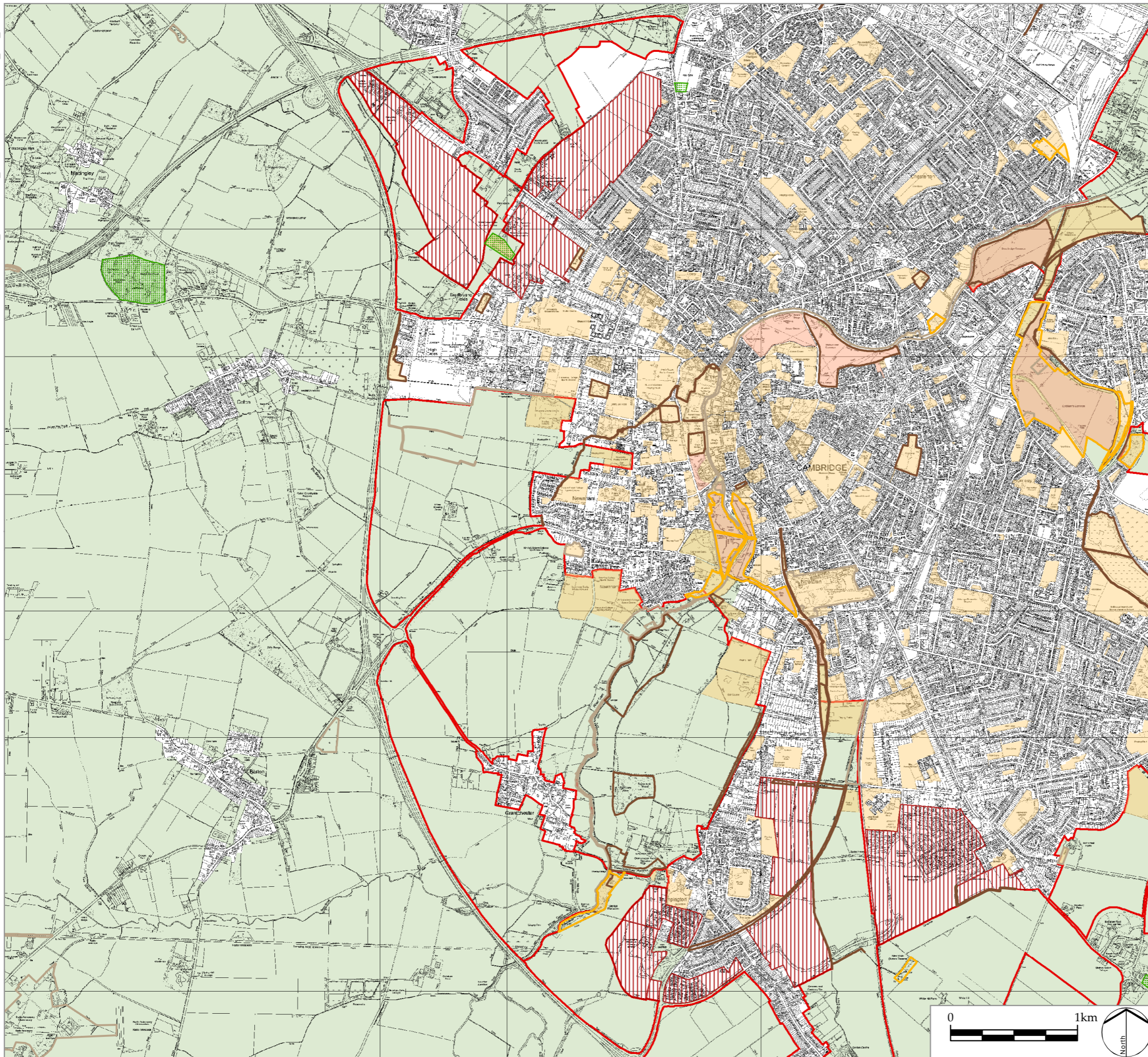
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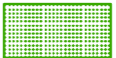





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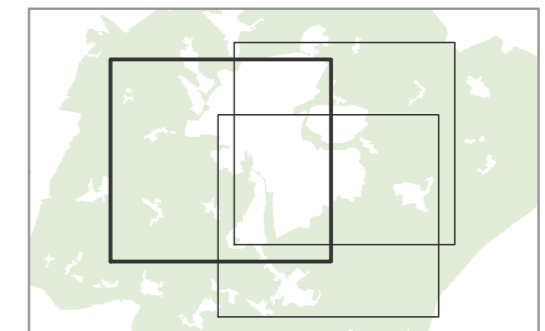
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-  Green Belt
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-  Assessment Sectors
-  Assessment Sub Areas
-  Site of Special Scientific Interest
-  County Wildlife Site
-  City Wildlife Site
-  Local Nature Reserve
-  Common Land
-  Protected Open Space



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**Figure 12.1:
Environmental Designations (West)**

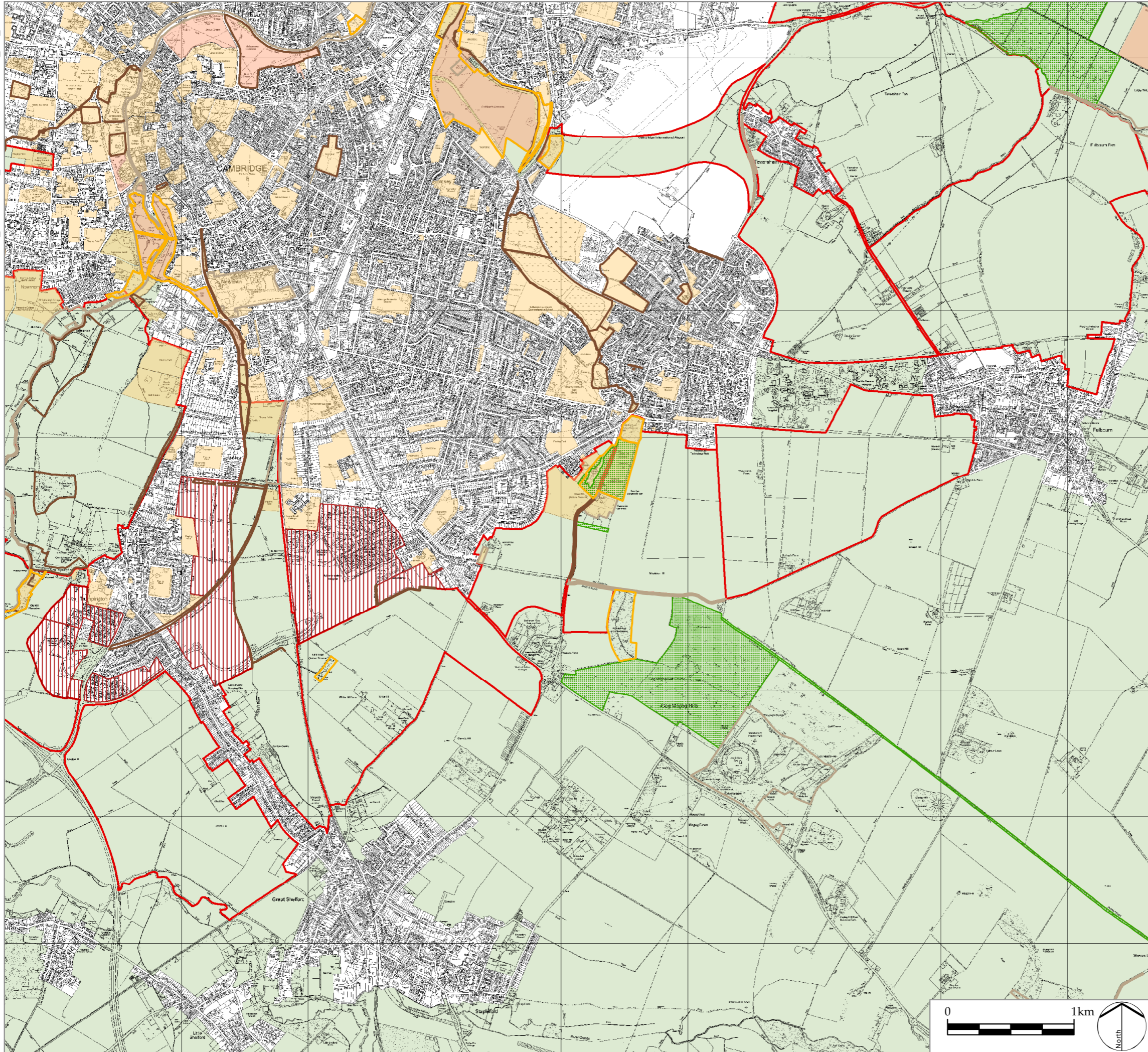
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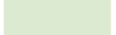









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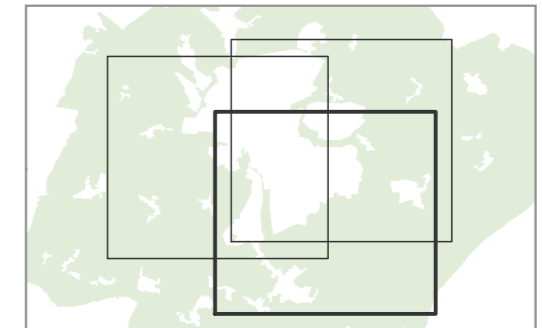
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-  Assessment Sub Areas
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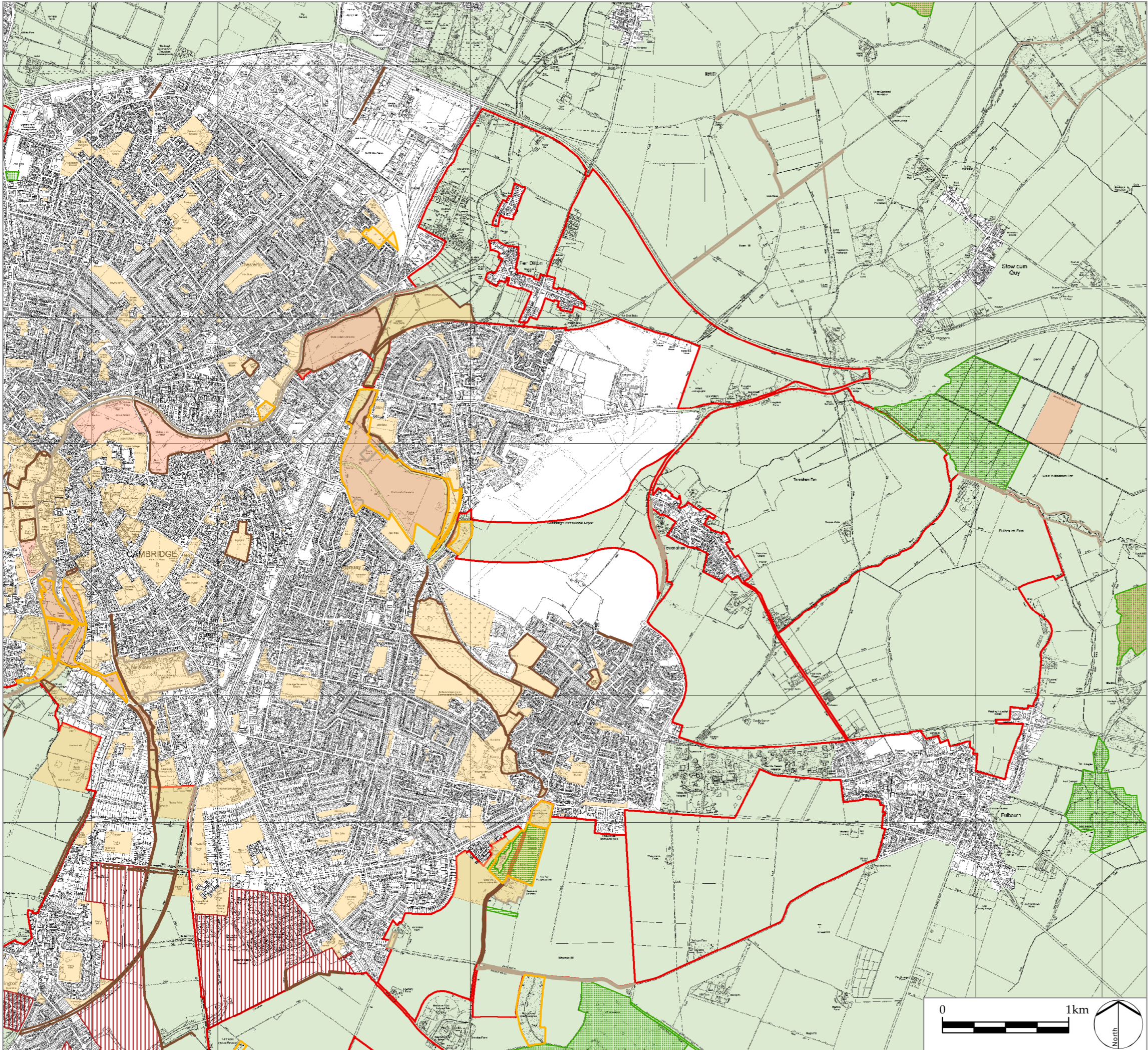
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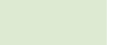



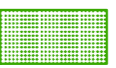





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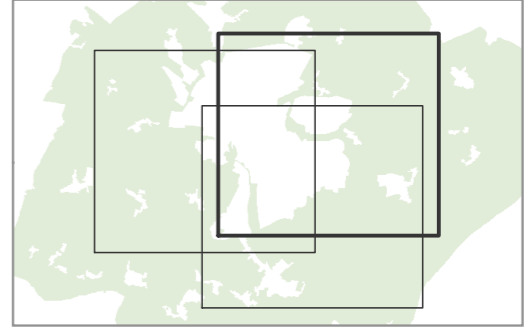
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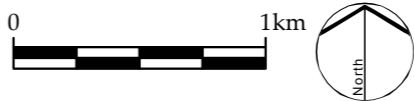
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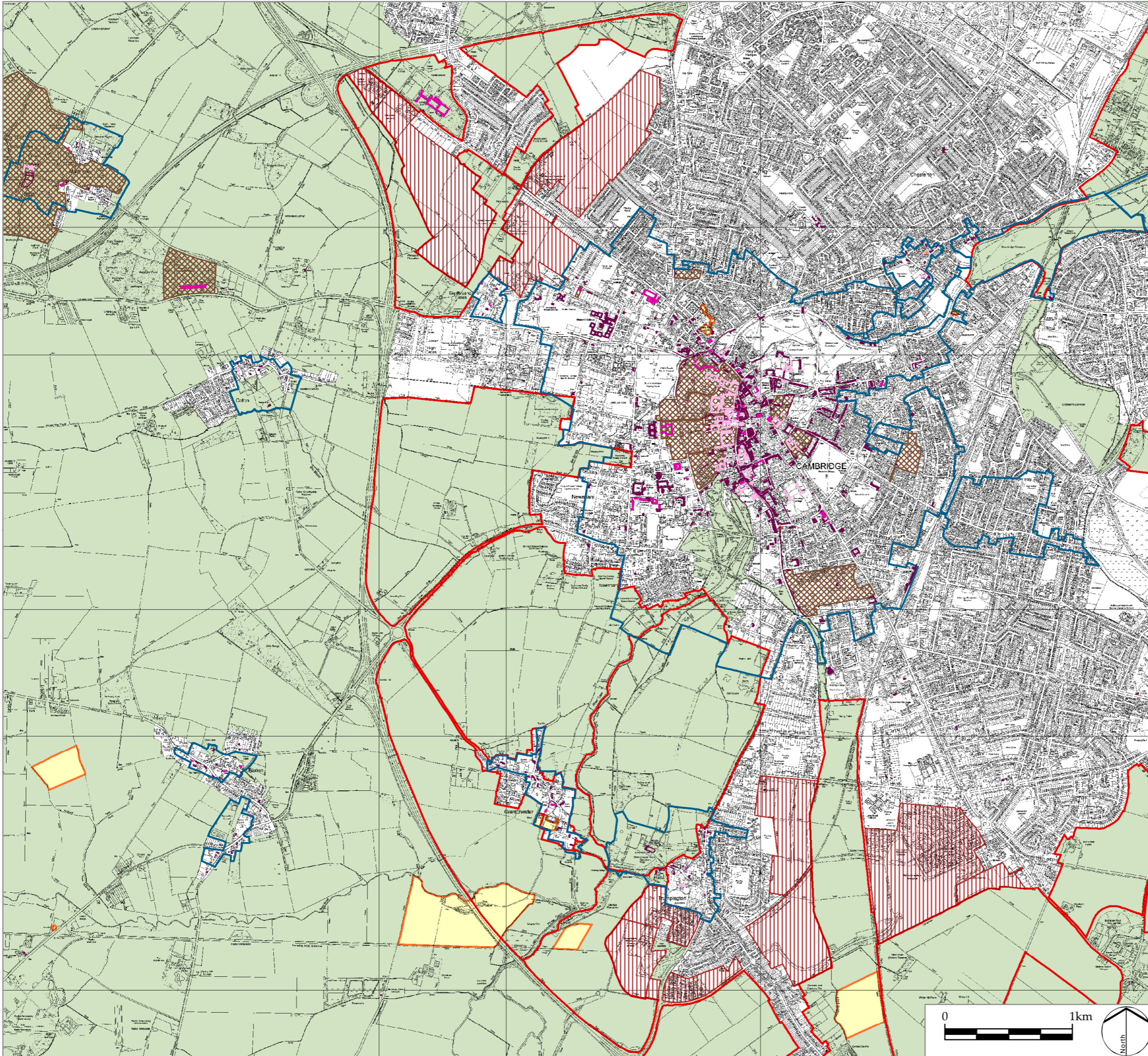
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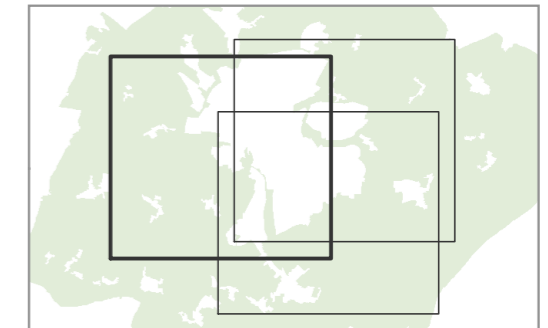
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- Green Belt
- Developments under construction / permitted
- Assessment Sectors
- Assessment Sub Areas
- Conservation Area
- Registered Park and Garden
- Scheduled Monument
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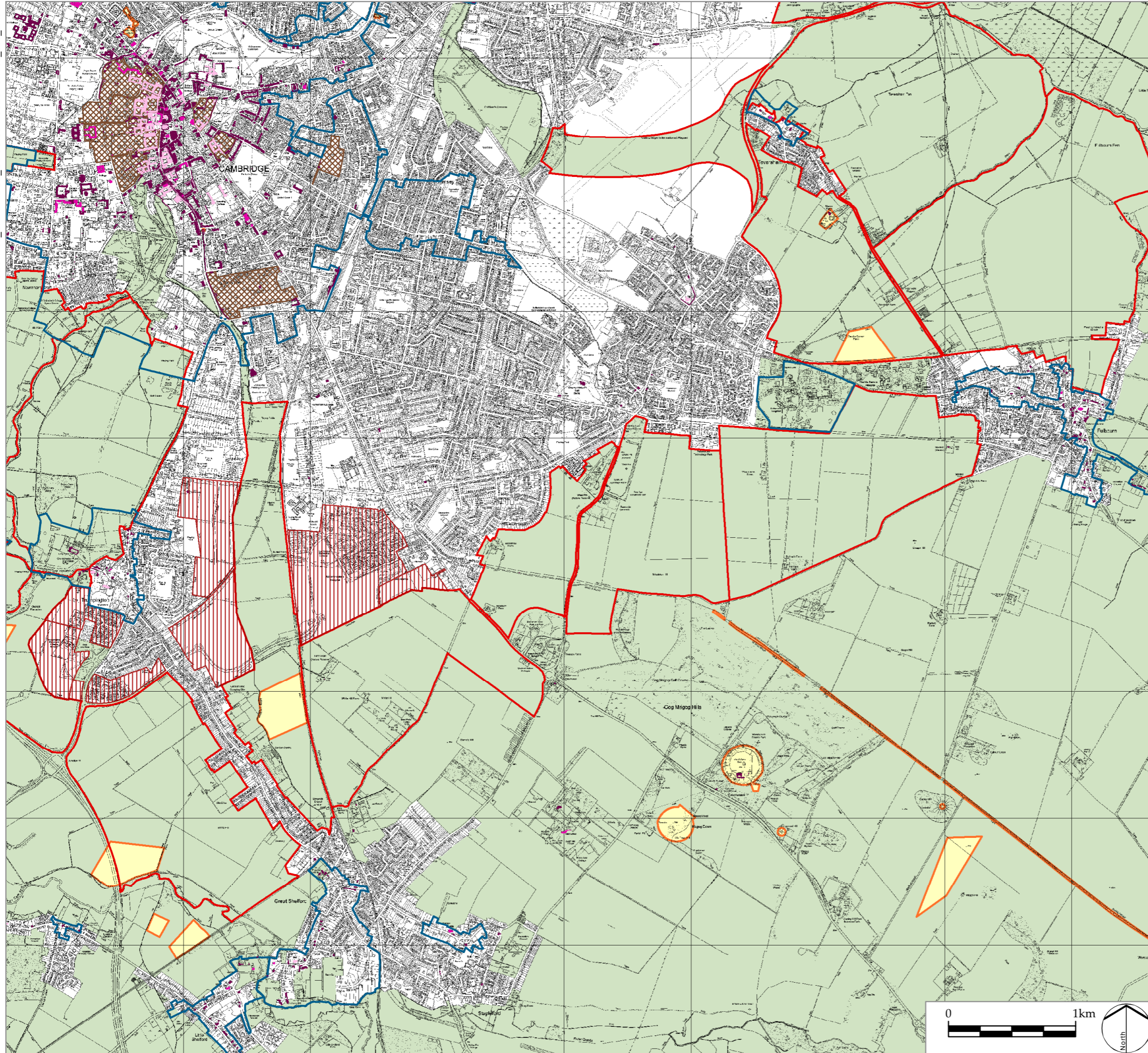
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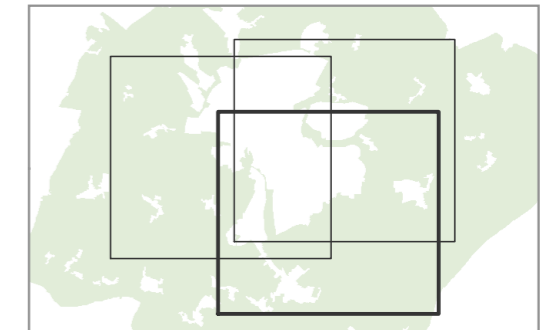
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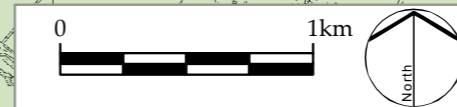
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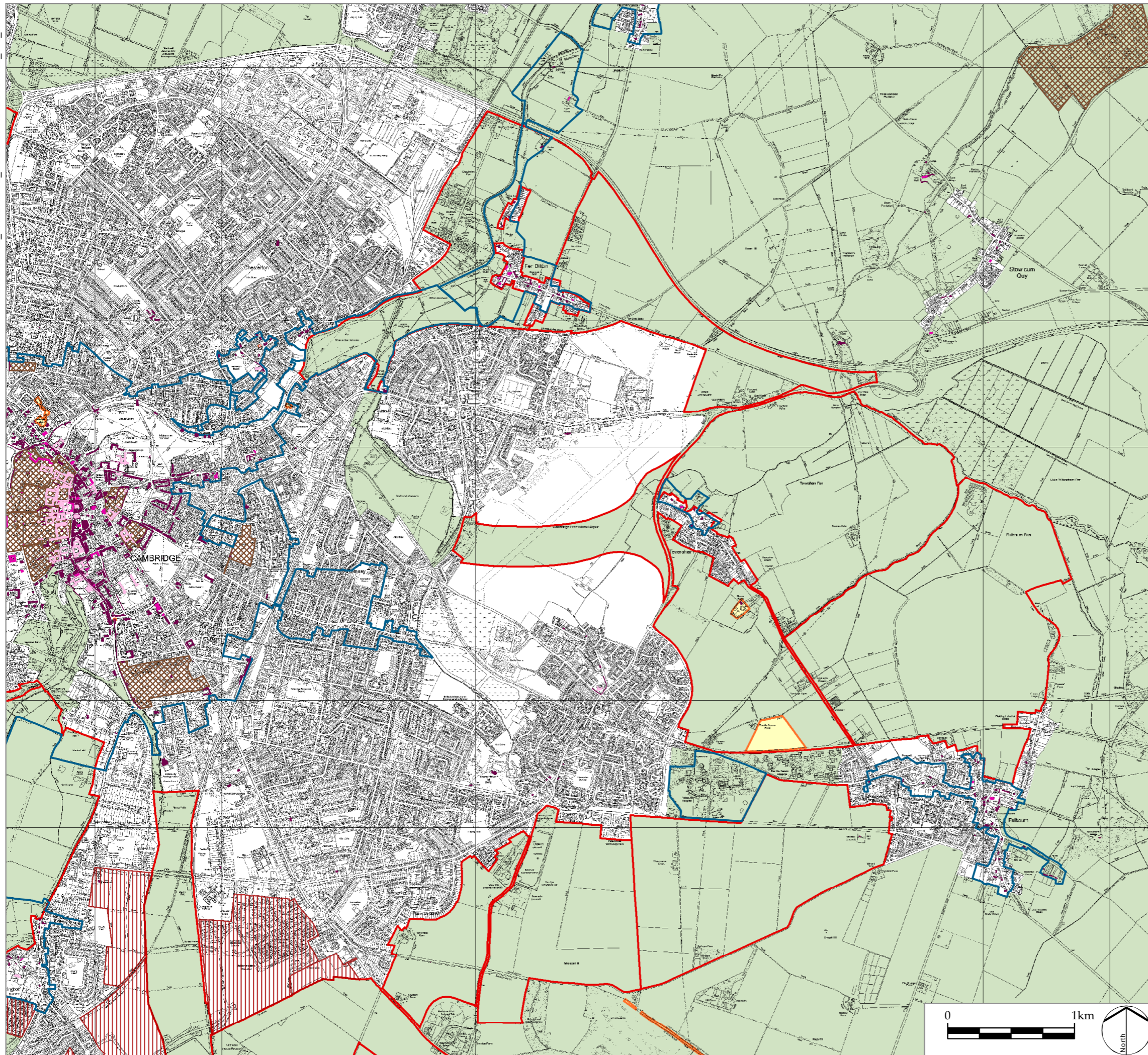
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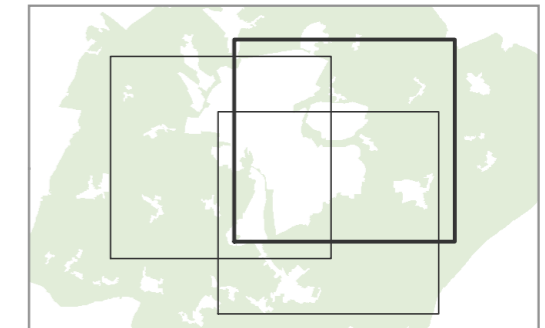
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-  Assessment Sectors
-  Assessment Sub Areas
-  Registered Park and Garden
-  Conservation Area
-  Scheduled Monument
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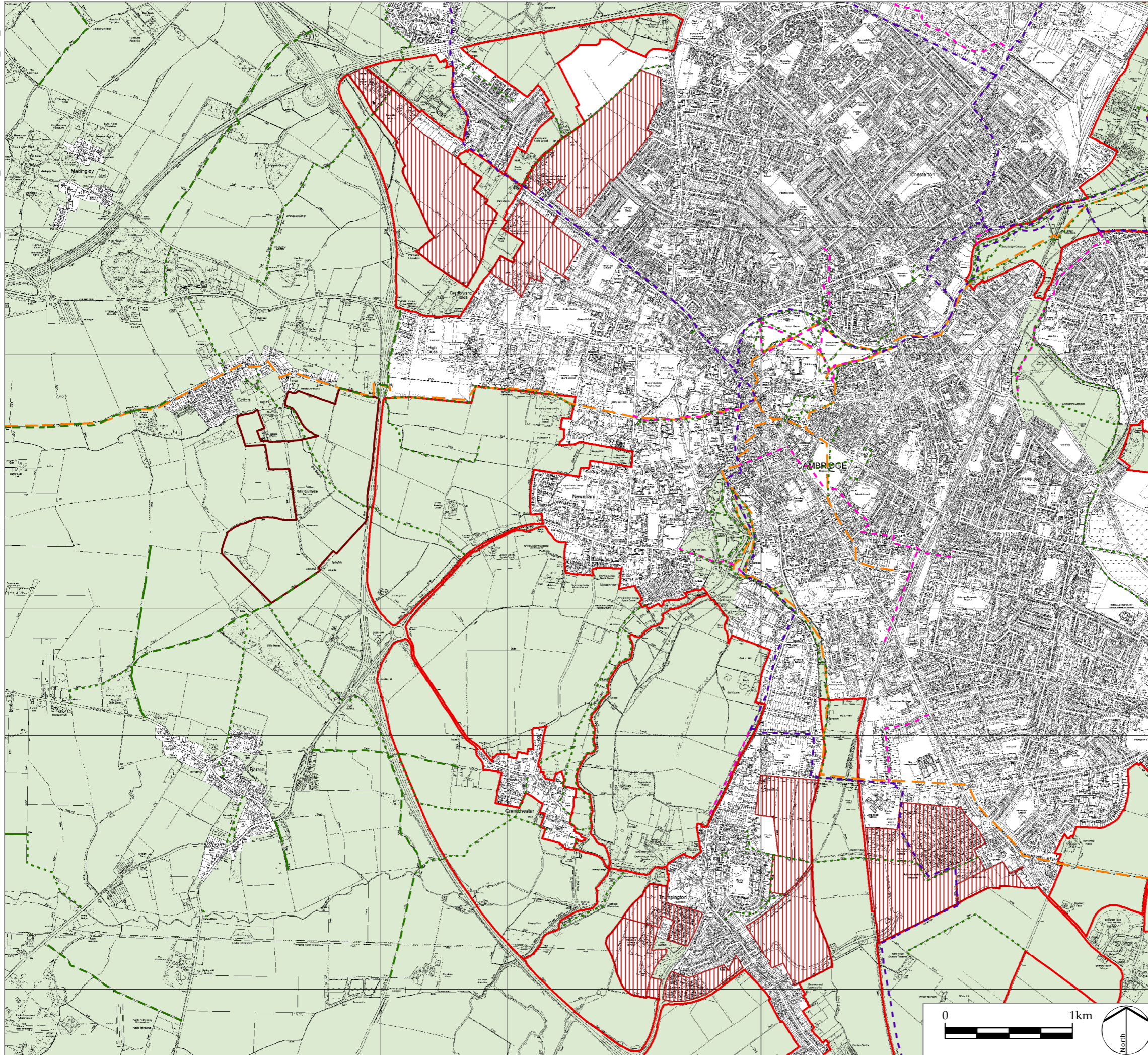
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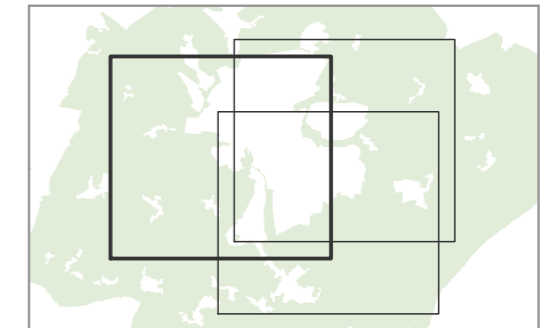
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-  Country Park
-  National Cycle Route
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-  Long Distance Footpath
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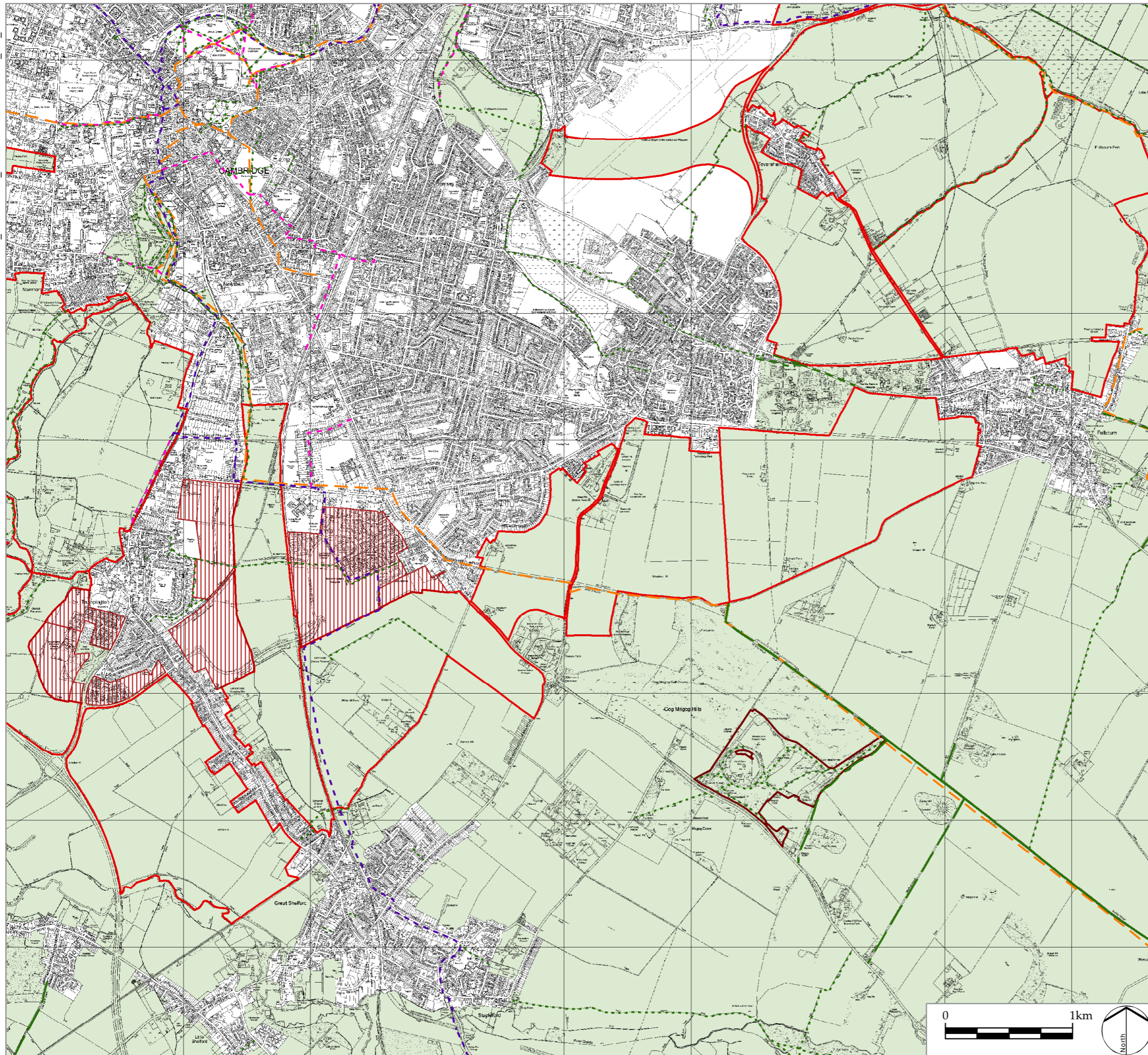
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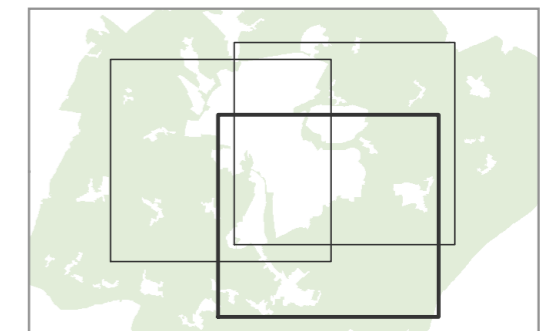
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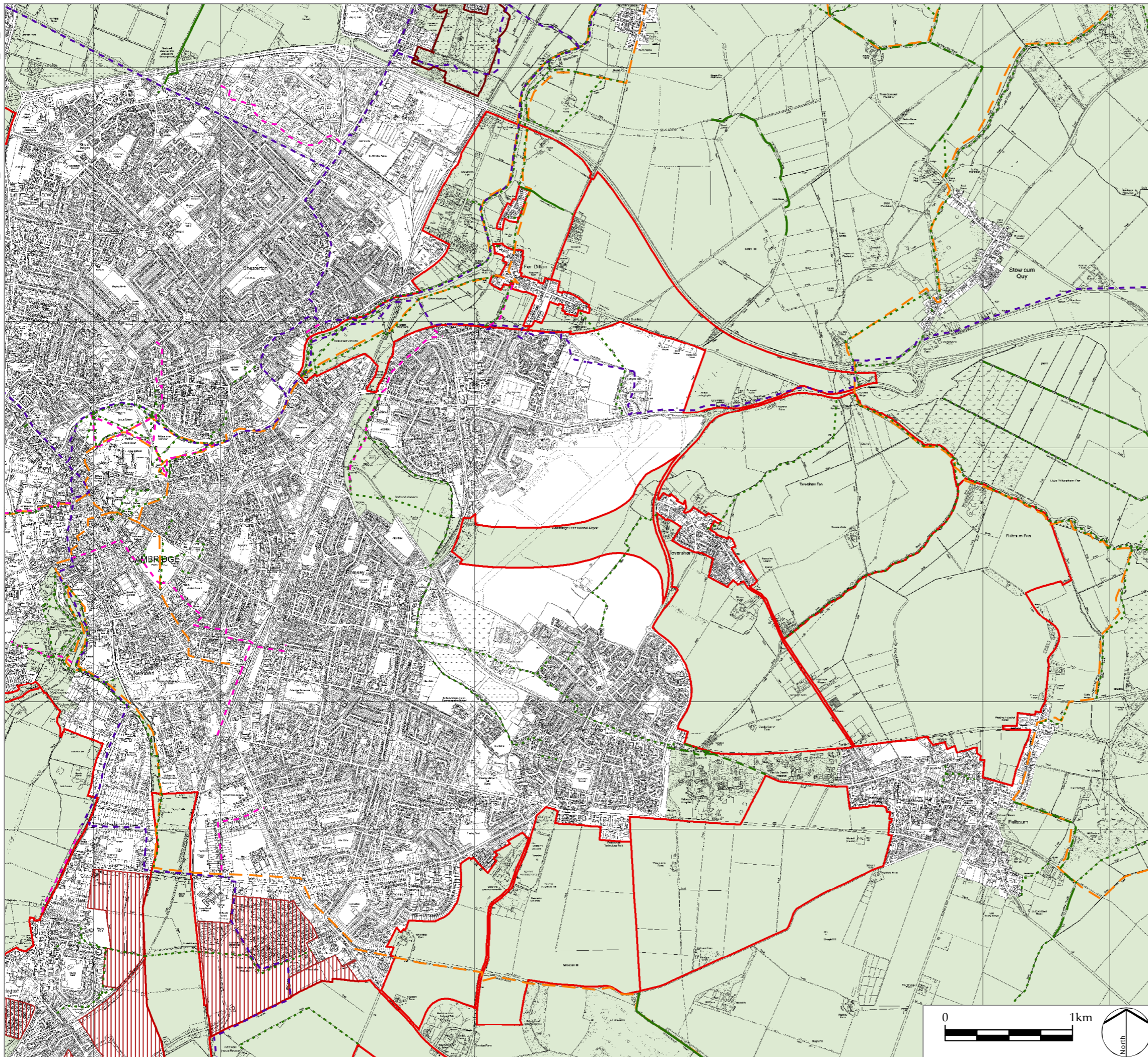
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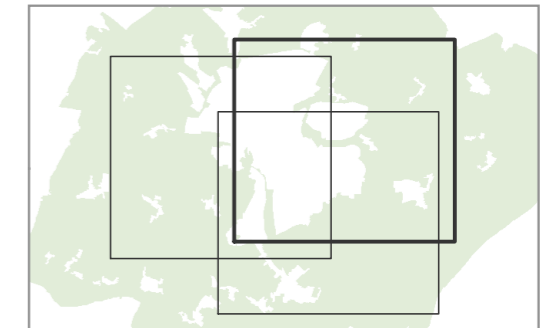
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**Figure 14.3:
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Photograph 1: Red Meadow Hill, Coton Country Park

This viewpoint allows elevated views across much of Cambridge, from higher ground on the edge of the Western Claylands. It demonstrates the compactness of the historic core of the city, with landmarks such as King's College and the University Library breaking the vegetated skyline and identifying the city centre. The green edge to the city is also clearly visible, with little of the built form of Cambridge seen through the vegetation and the rural foreground to the city (principally Sectors 3 and 4) seen in front of the vegetation. Higher ground to the south east and south of the city can also be seen in the distance, including the Gog Magog Hills.

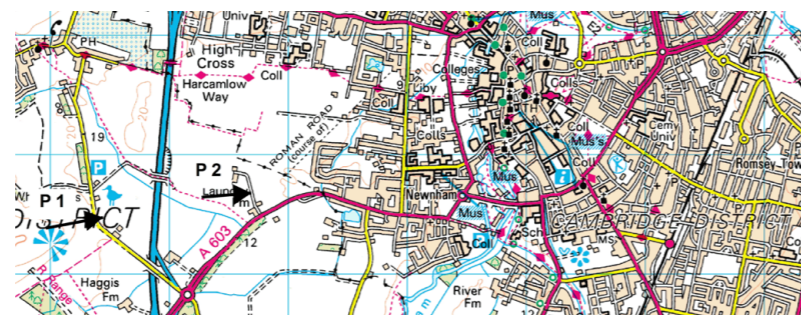


Photograph 2: Arable land of Sector 3 west of the historic core

This viewpoint gives low level views of several key landmarks within the historic core, as well as views of the newer West Cambridge site. It demonstrates the soft green edge of Cambridge as seen from the western side of the city and highlights the proximity of the historic core to surrounding countryside. The view is across the rural foreground to the city, with Distinctive Cambridge, formed by Fellows' houses, Colleges and University buildings west of the historic core, immediately beyond.

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Photograph 3: Arable land in Sector 4 north of Grantchester
 This view is from a field entrance on Grantchester Road and provides the first view of landmarks within Cambridge just after leaving Grantchester. The well vegetated rural landscape, which is important to the setting of both Cambridge and Grantchester, is clearly apparent.



Photograph 4: Grantchester Meadows along the River Corridor
 Views from Grantchester Meadows allow glimpses of the landmarks in the historic core of Cambridge, such as the Roman Catholic Church spire. The flood meadows form part of the River Cam corridor and are both a key feature of the setting of Cambridge and an important green approach to the city by foot, bicycle or river. This viewpoint highlights the rural character of the land which runs into Cambridge along the river corridor.

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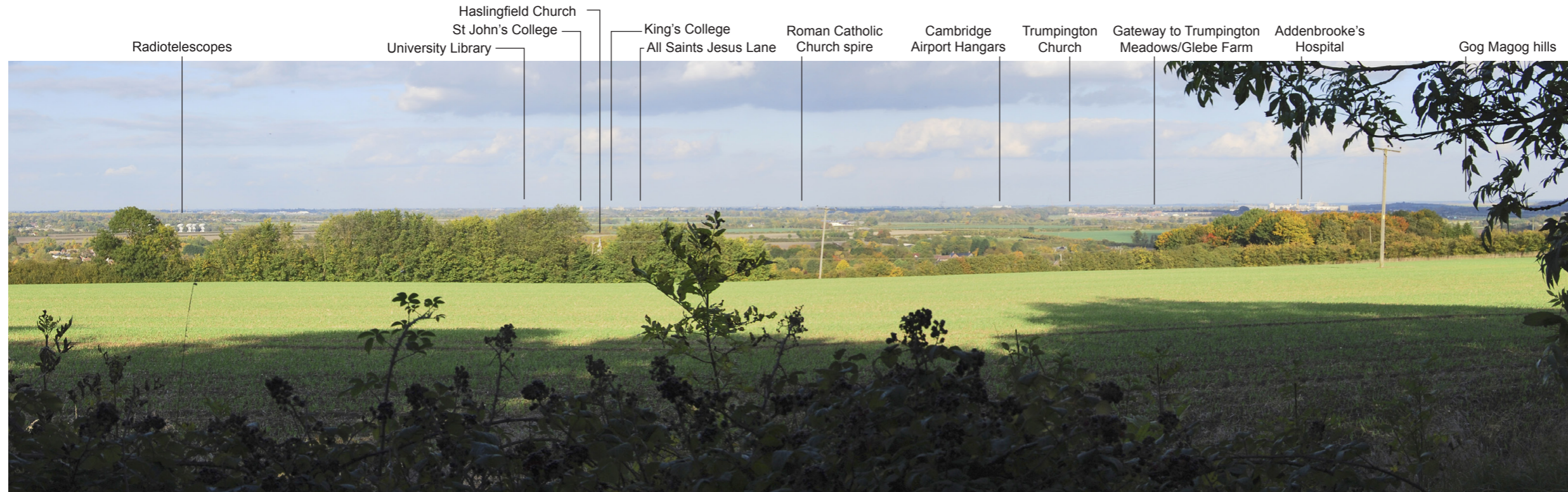
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 Figure 16: Photographs 3 and 4

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Photograph 5: Chapel Hill

This elevated view from the public footpath west of Chapel Hill, on the Wimpole Ridge Chalk Hills, demonstrates the strong rural foreground to views of Cambridge from the south west. It also illustrates the location of the city in a bowl landform, enclosed by the Chalk Hills to the south and the Claylands to the west. The visibility of landmark features in the historic core demonstrate the compactness of this area of the city, with the soft green edge preventing views of much of the built areas of Cambridge.



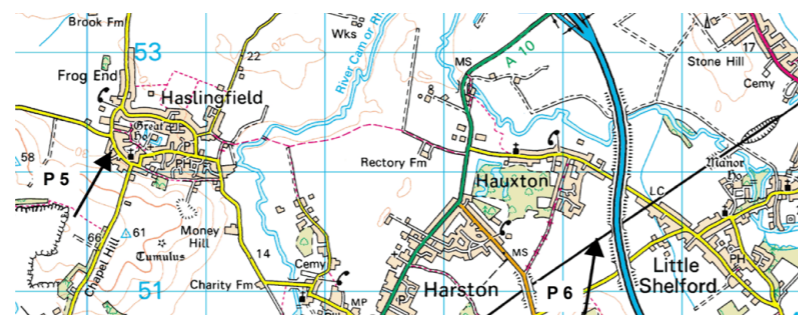
Photograph 6: St Margaret's Mount (Rowley's Hill)

This slightly elevated viewpoint, from the public footpath to the Gregory Wale Obelisk on St Margaret's Mount, also known as Rowley's Hill, allows views towards the south western edge of Cambridge. It shows the vegetated route of the M11, with the soft edge to Cambridge beyond. Church spires within the historic core of Cambridge are occasionally visible above the vegetation, with new development at Trumpington Meadows, Glebe Farm and Addenbrooke's Hospital also breaking the vegetation line.

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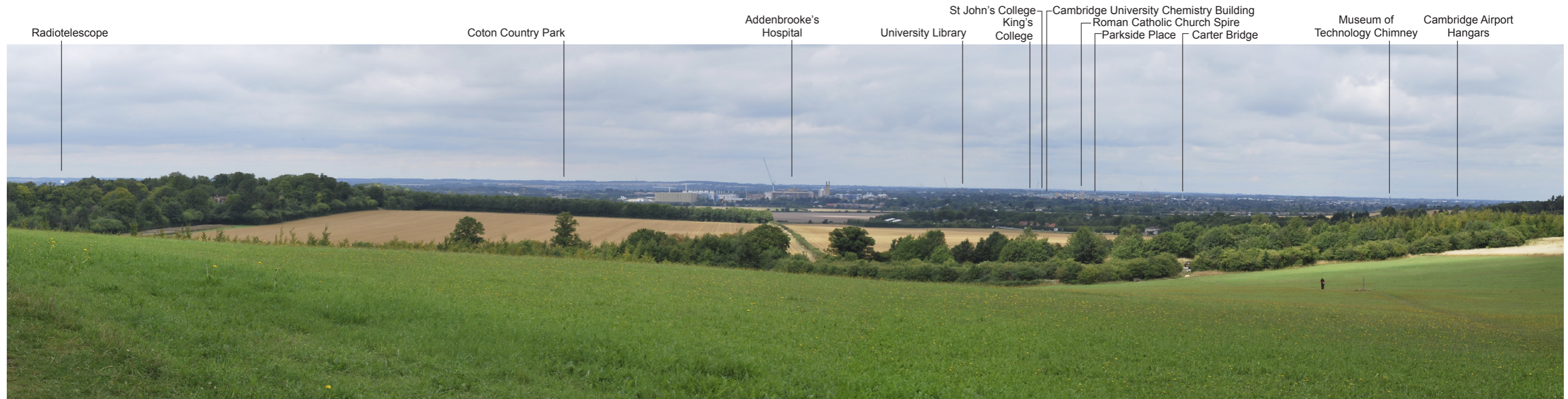
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Photograph 7: Magog Down

This elevated viewpoint on the edge of the Gog Magog Hills allows views across much of Cambridge. It demonstrates Cambridge's location within a bowl landform, surrounded by the Western Claylands and the Gog Magog Hills to the south. The soft green nature of the city is readily apparent from this location, with landmark features in the historic core rising above the vegetation. The reduced green edge at Addenbrooke's Hospital, as a result of ongoing development, seen across the rural landscape of Sector 10, is also noticeable from this viewpoint.



Photograph 8: Worts' Causeway

This viewpoint allows elevated views over Cambridge from the Gog Magog Hills. It shows the more sprawling expansion that has occurred to the east and south east of Cambridge, but also demonstrates, through the visibility of landmark features within the historic core, the compactness of the city centre. The lower slopes of the Gog Magog Hills form the rural foreground, with the undulating landform in Sectors 11 and 12 readily apparent.

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Photograph 9: Airport Way

This viewpoint allows level views across Cambridge Airport, including Sector 17, towards the eastern edge of Cambridge. It demonstrates the rural foreground to views from this side of the city, and illustrates that although this edge of Cambridge is not as vegetated as the western edge, it is still largely green. Landmark features within the historic core are occasionally visible above the vegetation, although the airport hangars are a much more prominent feature.



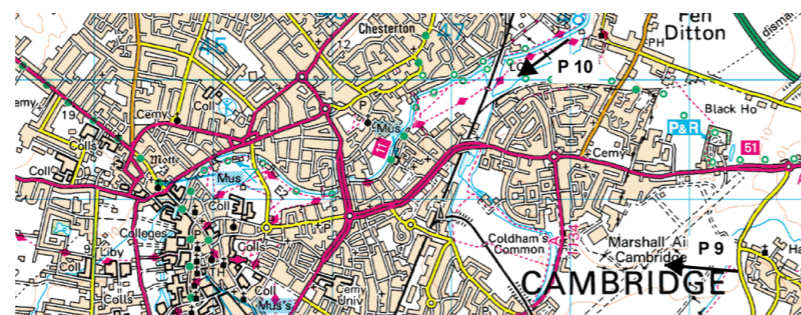
Photograph 10: Ditton Meadows (Sector 19)

This viewpoint allows views along the green corridor of the River Cam towards the centre of Cambridge. This corridor is a key element of the setting to Cambridge, which passes through the historic core. It is an important green approach into Cambridge for river users and those walking and cycling along the corridor. This view also demonstrates the green edge to Cambridge.

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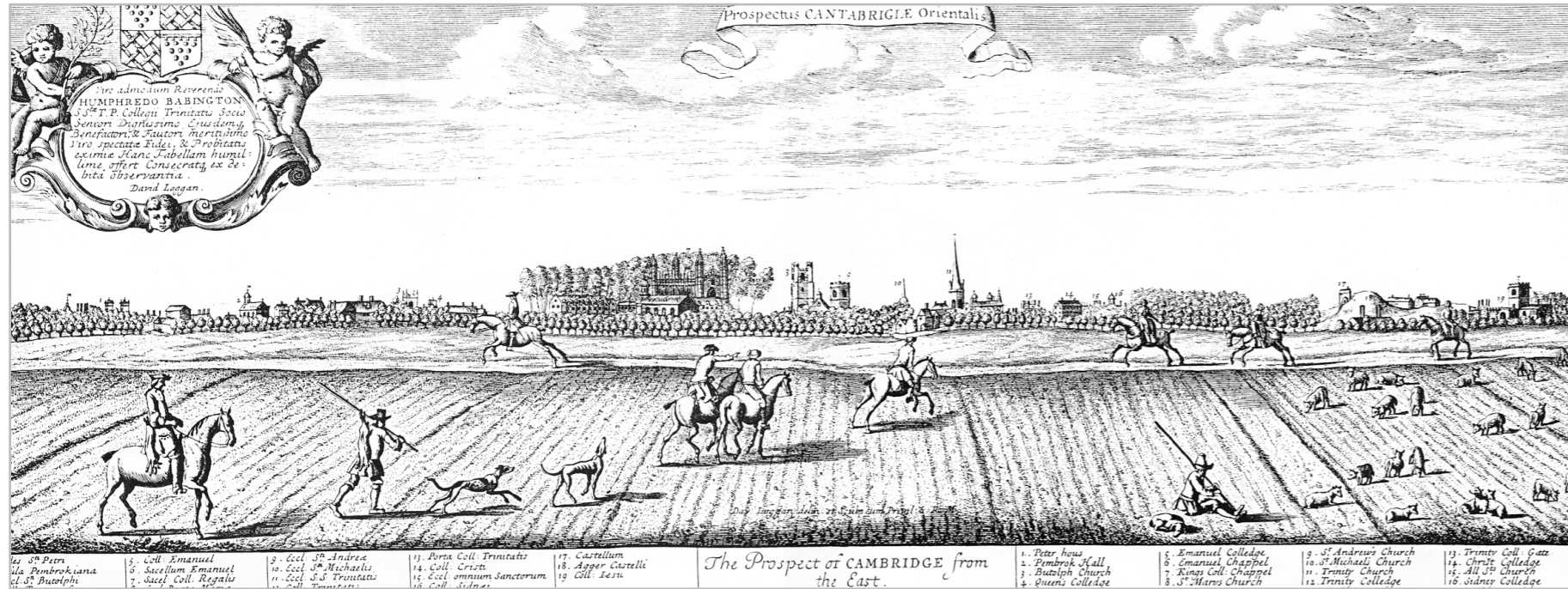
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