

HIGHOVER FARM, HIGHOVER WAY, HITCHIN, HERTFORDSHIRE, SG4 0RQ

Order Details

Date: 23/06/2025
Your ref: jim
Our Ref: GS-OSR-1XX-EFG-FHE

Site Details

Location: 519781 230680
Area: 0.76 ha
Authority: [North Hertfordshire District Council](#) ↗



Summary of findings

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Summary of findings

Page	Section	Past land use >	On site	0-50m	50-250m	250-500m	500-2000m
15 >	1.1 >	Historical industrial land uses >	1	2	6	9	-
16 >	1.2 >	Historical tanks >	0	0	0	15	-
17 >	1.3 >	Historical energy features >	0	0	0	10	-
18	1.4	Historical petrol stations	0	0	0	0	-
18 >	1.5 >	Historical garages >	0	0	0	5	-
19	1.6	Historical military land	0	0	0	0	-
Page	Section	Past land use - un-grouped >	On site	0-50m	50-250m	250-500m	500-2000m
20 >	2.1 >	Historical industrial land uses >	1	2	14	9	-
22 >	2.2 >	Historical tanks >	0	0	0	25	-
23 >	2.3 >	Historical energy features >	0	0	0	14	-
24	2.4	Historical petrol stations	0	0	0	0	-
24 >	2.5 >	Historical garages >	0	0	0	6	-
Page	Section	Waste and landfill >	On site	0-50m	50-250m	250-500m	500-2000m
25	3.1	Active or recent landfill	0	0	0	0	-
25	3.2	Historical landfill (BGS records)	0	0	0	0	-
26	3.3	Historical landfill (LA/mapping records)	0	0	0	0	-
26	3.4	Historical landfill (EA/NRW records)	0	0	0	0	-
26	3.5	Historical waste sites	0	0	0	0	-
26	3.6	Licensed waste sites	0	0	0	0	-
26 >	3.7 >	Waste exemptions >	20	0	0	5	-
Page	Section	Current industrial land use >	On site	0-50m	50-250m	250-500m	500-2000m
29	4.1	Recent industrial land uses	0	0	0	-	-
29	4.2	Current or recent petrol stations	0	0	0	0	-
30	4.3	Electricity cables	0	0	0	0	-
30	4.4	Gas pipelines	0	0	0	0	-
30	4.5	Sites determined as Contaminated Land	0	0	0	0	-



30	4.6	Control of Major Accident Hazards (COMAH)	0	0	0	0	-
30	4.7	Regulated explosive sites	0	0	0	0	-
31	4.8	Hazardous substance storage/usage	0	0	0	0	-
31	4.9	Historical licensed industrial activities (IPC)	0	0	0	0	-
31	4.10	Licensed industrial activities (Part A(1))	0	0	0	0	-
31 >	4.11 >	Licensed pollutant release (Part A(2)/B) >	0	0	0	3	-
32	4.12	Radioactive Substance Authorisations	0	0	0	0	-
32 >	4.13 >	Licensed Discharges to controlled waters >	0	0	0	1	-
32	4.14	Pollutant release to surface waters (Red List)	0	0	0	0	-
33 >	4.15 >	Pollutant release to public sewer >	0	0	0	1	-
33	4.16	List 1 Dangerous Substances	0	0	0	0	-
33 >	4.17 >	List 2 Dangerous Substances >	0	0	0	2	-
34 >	4.18 >	Pollution Incidents (EA/NRW) >	0	0	0	2	-
34	4.19	Pollution inventory substances	0	0	0	0	-
34	4.20	Pollution inventory waste transfers	0	0	0	0	-
35	4.21	Pollution inventory radioactive waste	0	0	0	0	-
Page	Section	Hydrogeology >	On site	0-50m	50-250m	250-500m	500-2000m
36 >	5.1 >	Superficial aquifer >	Identified (within 500m)				
38 >	5.2 >	Bedrock aquifer >	Identified (within 500m)				
40 >	5.3 >	Groundwater vulnerability >	Identified (within 50m)				
41 >	5.4 >	Groundwater vulnerability- soluble rock risk >	Identified (within 0m)				
41	5.5	Groundwater vulnerability- local information	None (within 0m)				
42 >	5.6 >	Groundwater abstractions >	0	0	0	0	7
44 >	5.7 >	Surface water abstractions >	0	0	0	0	9
46	5.8	Potable abstractions	0	0	0	0	0
47	5.9	Source Protection Zones	0	0	0	0	-
47	5.10	Source Protection Zones (confined aquifer)	0	0	0	0	-
Page	Section	Hydrology >	On site	0-50m	50-250m	250-500m	500-2000m
48	6.1	Water Network (OS MasterMap)	0	0	0	-	-



48	6.2	Surface water features	0	0	0	-	-
49 >	6.3 >	WFD Surface water body catchments >	1	-	-	-	-
49 >	6.4 >	WFD Surface water bodies >	0	0	0	-	-
49 >	6.5 >	WFD Groundwater bodies >	1	-	-	-	-
Page	Section	River and coastal flooding	On site	0-50m	50-250m	250-500m	500-2000m
51	7.1	Risk of flooding from rivers and the sea	None (within 50m)				
51	7.2	Historical Flood Events	0	0	0	-	-
51	7.3	Flood Defences	0	0	0	-	-
52	7.4	Areas Benefiting from Flood Defences	0	0	0	-	-
52	7.5	Flood Storage Areas	0	0	0	-	-
53	7.6	Flood Zone 2	None (within 50m)				
53	7.7	Flood Zone 3	None (within 50m)				
Page	Section	Surface water flooding >					
54 >	8.1 >	Surface water flooding >	1 in 30 year, 0.3m - 1.0m (within 50m)				
Page	Section	Groundwater flooding >					
56 >	9.1 >	Groundwater flooding >	Low (within 50m)				
Page	Section	Environmental designations >	On site	0-50m	50-250m	250-500m	500-2000m
57	10.1	Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)	0	0	0	0	0
58	10.2	Conserved wetland sites (Ramsar sites)	0	0	0	0	0
58	10.3	Special Areas of Conservation (SAC)	0	0	0	0	0
58	10.4	Special Protection Areas (SPA)	0	0	0	0	0
58	10.5	National Nature Reserves (NNR)	0	0	0	0	0
59 >	10.6 >	Local Nature Reserves (LNR) >	0	0	0	0	2
59	10.7	Designated Ancient Woodland	0	0	0	0	0
59	10.8	Biosphere Reserves	0	0	0	0	0
59	10.9	Forest Parks	0	0	0	0	0
60	10.10	Marine Conservation Zones	0	0	0	0	0
60 >	10.11 >	Green Belt >	0	0	1	0	0
60	10.12	Proposed Ramsar sites	0	0	0	0	0



60	10.13	Possible Special Areas of Conservation (pSAC)	0	0	0	0	0
61	10.14	Potential Special Protection Areas (pSPA)	0	0	0	0	0
61	10.15	Nitrate Sensitive Areas	0	0	0	0	0
61 >	10.16 >	Nitrate Vulnerable Zones >	2	0	0	0	0
62 >	10.17 >	SSSI Impact Risk Zones >	1	-	-	-	-
63	10.18	SSSI Units	0	0	0	0	0
Page	Section	Visual and cultural designations >	On site	0-50m	50-250m	250-500m	500-2000m
64	11.1	World Heritage Sites	0	0	0	-	-
65	11.2	Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty	0	0	0	-	-
65	11.3	National Parks	0	0	0	-	-
65 >	11.4 >	Listed Buildings >	1	0	0	-	-
66	11.5	Conservation Areas	0	0	0	-	-
66	11.6	Scheduled Ancient Monuments	0	0	0	-	-
66	11.7	Registered Parks and Gardens	0	0	0	-	-
Page	Section	Agricultural designations >	On site	0-50m	50-250m	250-500m	500-2000m
67 >	12.1 >	Agricultural Land Classification >	Urban (within 250m)				
68	12.2	Open Access Land	0	0	0	-	-
68	12.3	Tree Felling Licences	0	0	0	-	-
68	12.4	Environmental Stewardship Schemes	0	0	0	-	-
69	12.5	Countryside Stewardship Schemes	0	0	0	-	-
Page	Section	Habitat designations	On site	0-50m	50-250m	250-500m	500-2000m
70	13.1	Priority Habitat Inventory	0	0	0	-	-
70	13.2	Habitat Networks	0	0	0	-	-
70	13.3	Open Mosaic Habitat	0	0	0	-	-
70	13.4	Limestone Pavement Orders	0	0	0	-	-
Page	Section	Geology 1:10,000 scale >	On site	0-50m	50-250m	250-500m	500-2000m
71 >	14.1 >	10k Availability >	Identified (within 500m)				
72	14.2	Artificial and made ground (10k)	0	0	0	0	-
73 >	14.3 >	Superficial geology (10k) >	0	0	1	2	-

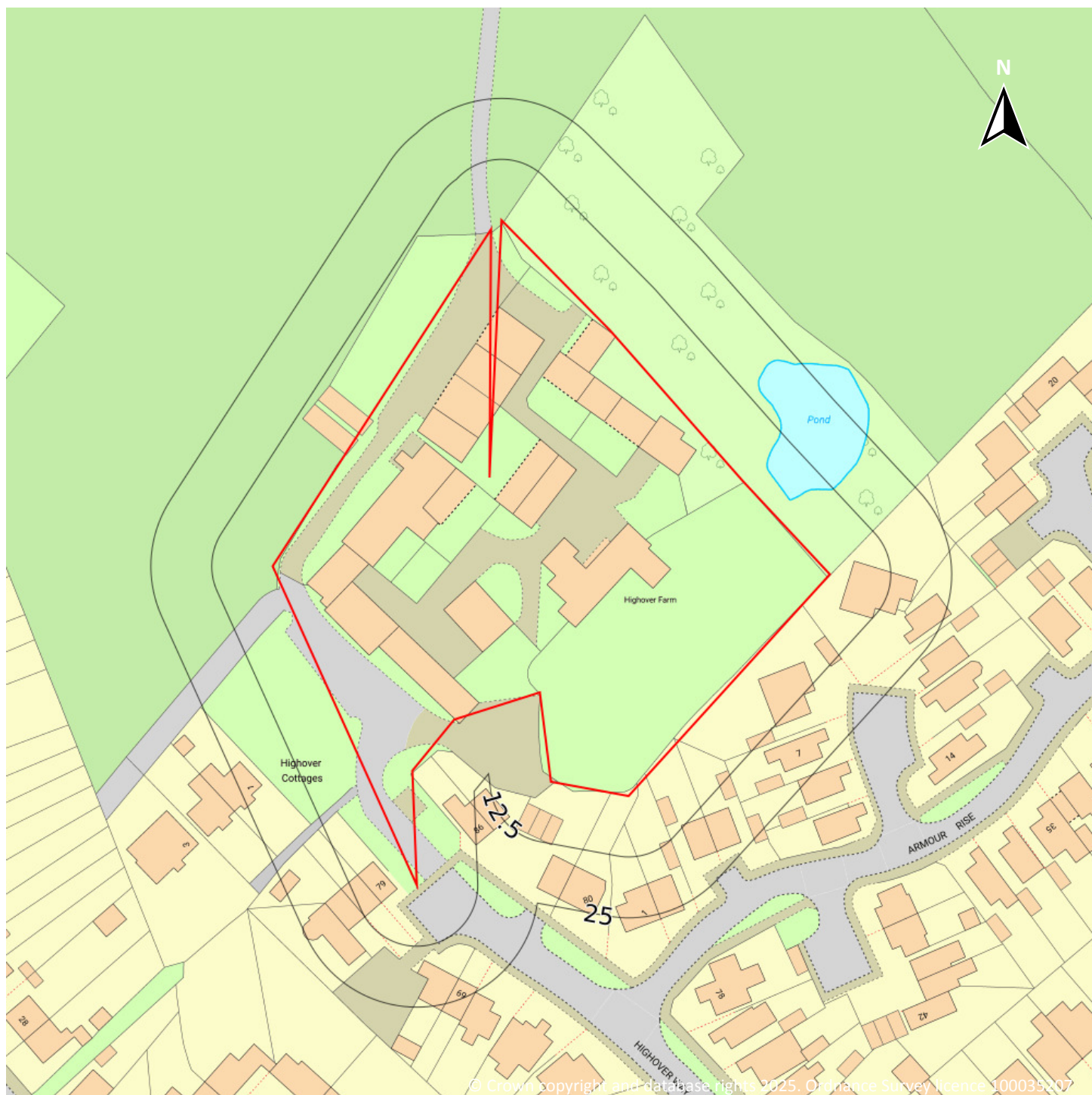
74	14.4	Landslip (10k)	0	0	0	0	-
75 >	14.5 >	Bedrock geology (10k) >	0	0	2	2	-
76	14.6	Bedrock faults and other linear features (10k)	0	0	0	0	-
Page	Section	Geology 1:50,000 scale >	On site	0-50m	50-250m	250-500m	500-2000m
77 >	15.1 >	50k Availability >	Identified (within 500m)				
78 >	15.2 >	Artificial and made ground (50k) >	0	0	0	2	-
79	15.3	Artificial ground permeability (50k)	0	0	-	-	-
80 >	15.4 >	Superficial geology (50k) >	1	0	0	5	-
81 >	15.5 >	Superficial permeability (50k) >	Identified (within 50m)				
81	15.6	Landslip (50k)	0	0	0	0	-
81	15.7	Landslip permeability (50k)	None (within 50m)				
82 >	15.8 >	Bedrock geology (50k) >	1	0	2	1	-
83 >	15.9 >	Bedrock permeability (50k) >	Identified (within 50m)				
83	15.10	Bedrock faults and other linear features (50k)	0	0	0	0	-
Page	Section	Boreholes >	On site	0-50m	50-250m	250-500m	500-2000m
84 >	16.1 >	BGS Boreholes >	1	0	10	-	-
Page	Section	Natural ground subsidence >					
86 >	17.1 >	Shrink swell clays >	Low (within 50m)				
87 >	17.2 >	Running sands >	Very low (within 50m)				
88 >	17.3 >	Compressible deposits >	Negligible (within 50m)				
89 >	17.4 >	Collapsible deposits >	Very low (within 50m)				
90 >	17.5 >	Landslides >	Very low (within 50m)				
91 >	17.6 >	Ground dissolution of soluble rocks >	Very low (within 50m)				
Page	Section	Mining and ground workings >	On site	0-50m	50-250m	250-500m	500-2000m
93	18.1	BritPits	0	0	0	0	-
94 >	18.2 >	Surface ground workings >	1	2	14	-	-
94	18.3	Underground workings	0	0	0	0	0
95	18.4	Underground mining extents	0	0	0	0	-
95	18.5	Historical Mineral Planning Areas	0	0	0	0	-



95 >	18.6 >	Non-coal mining >	1	0	1	0	4
96	18.7	JPB mining areas	None (within 0m)				
96	18.8	The Coal Authority non-coal mining	0	0	0	0	-
96	18.9	Researched mining	0	0	0	0	-
97	18.10	Mining record office plans	0	0	0	0	-
97	18.11	BGS mine plans	0	0	0	0	-
97	18.12	Coal mining	None (within 0m)				
97	18.13	Brine areas	None (within 0m)				
97	18.14	Gypsum areas	None (within 0m)				
98	18.15	Tin mining	None (within 0m)				
98	18.16	Clay mining	None (within 0m)				
Page	Section	Ground cavities and sinkholes	On site	0-50m	50-250m	250-500m	500-2000m
99	19.1	Natural cavities	0	0	0	0	-
99	19.2	Mining cavities	0	0	0	0	0
99	19.3	Reported recent incidents	0	0	0	0	-
99	19.4	Historical incidents	0	0	0	0	-
Page	Section	Radon >					
101 >	20.1 >	Radon >	Less than 1% (within 0m)				
Page	Section	Soil chemistry >	On site	0-50m	50-250m	250-500m	500-2000m
103 >	21.1 >	BGS Estimated Background Soil Chemistry >	1	0	-	-	-
103	21.2	BGS Estimated Urban Soil Chemistry	0	0	-	-	-
103	21.3	BGS Measured Urban Soil Chemistry	0	0	-	-	-
Page	Section	Railway infrastructure and projects >	On site	0-50m	50-250m	250-500m	500-2000m
104	22.1	Underground railways (London)	0	0	0	-	-
104	22.2	Underground railways (Non-London)	0	0	0	-	-
105	22.3	Railway tunnels	0	0	0	-	-
105 >	22.4 >	Historical railway and tunnel features >	0	0	6	-	-
105	22.5	Royal Mail tunnels	0	0	0	-	-
106	22.6	Historical railways	0	0	0	-	-



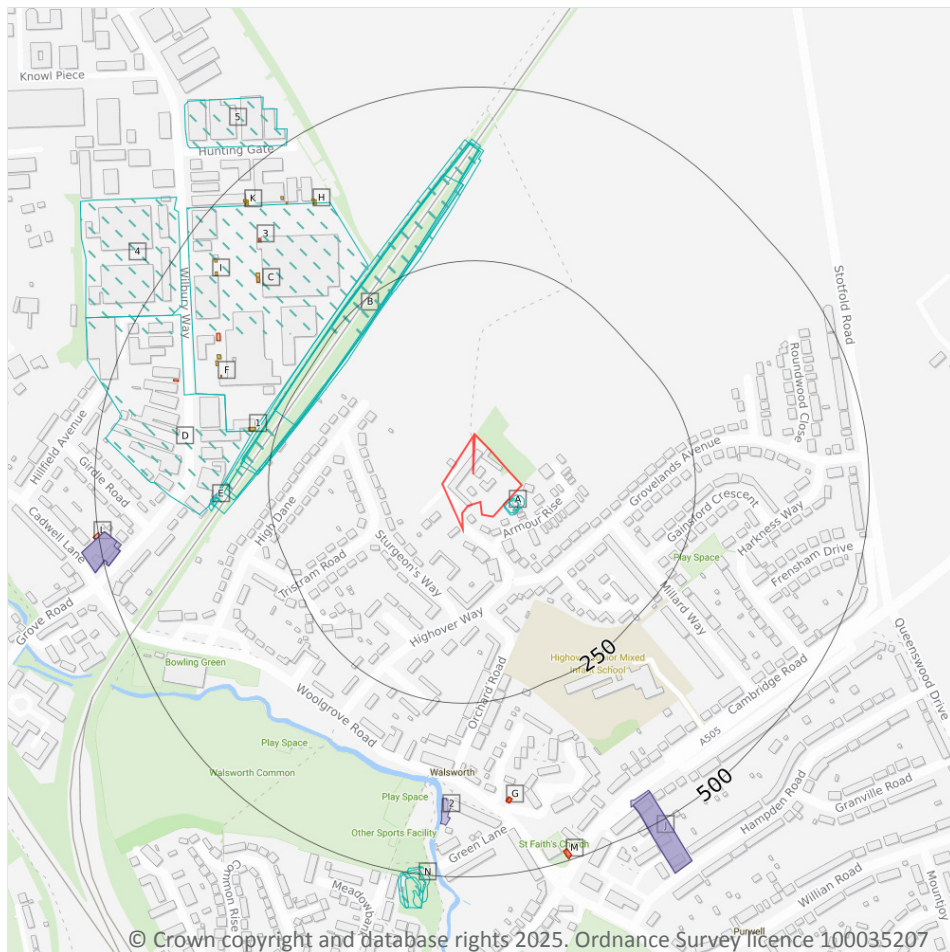
OS MasterMap site plan



Site Area: 0.76ha



1 Past land use



- Site Outline
- Search buffers in metres (m)
- Historical industrial land uses
- Historical tanks
- Historical energy features
- Historical garages

1.1 Historical industrial land uses

Records within 500m

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Potentially contaminative land use features digitised from historical Ordnance Survey mapping at 1:10,000 and 1:10,560 scale, intelligently grouped into contiguous features. To prevent misrepresentation of the size of historical features at any given time, features are only grouped if they have similar geometries within immediately preceding or succeeding map editions. See section 2 for a breakdown of grouping if required. Grouped and the original un-grouped features can be cross-referenced across sections 1 and 2 using the 'Group ID'.

Features are displayed on the Past land use map on [page 15](#) >

ID	Location	Land use	Dates present	Group ID
A	On site	Unspecified Pit	1887	2124580



ID	Location	Land use	Dates present	Group ID
A	2m SE	Unspecified Pit	1884	2119317
A	2m SE	Unspecified Pit	1888	2125321
B	211m NW	Cuttings	1899 - 1960	2134286
B	214m NW	Cuttings	1888 - 1899	2106454
B	215m NW	Cuttings	1938	2114633
B	215m NW	Cuttings	1887	2139880
B	216m NW	Cuttings	1982	2109513
B	217m NW	Cuttings	1884	2097436
C	264m NW	Unspecified Works	1982	2080060
D	282m W	Unspecified Commercial/Industrial	1982	2072714
E	319m W	Unspecified Pit	1884	2133489
E	322m W	Unspecified Pit	1888	2150472
4	454m NW	Unspecified Works	1982	2127275
N	489m S	Unspecified Pit	1884	2086459
N	492m S	Unspecified Quarry	1887	2072384
5	497m NW	Unspecified Works	1982	2080059
N	497m S	Unspecified Ground Workings	1888	2090907

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1.2 Historical tanks

Records within 500m

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ID	Location	Land use	Dates present	Group ID
1	279m W	Tanks	1981 - 1996	375381



ID	Location	Land use	Dates present	Group ID
F	352m NW	Unspecified Tank	1981	361599
F	365m NW	Unspecified Tank	1996	361593
F	365m NW	Unspecified Tank	1981	361598
C	379m NW	Unspecified Tank	1996	361592
H	402m NW	Unspecified Tank	1993	367266
H	406m NW	Unspecified Tank	1978	376147
H	408m NW	Unspecified Tank	1989 - 1990	370573
H	427m NW	Unspecified Tank	1993 - 1996	371807
I	434m NW	Unspecified Tank	1981 - 1996	371744
H	436m NW	Unspecified Tank	1989 - 1990	369333
I	445m NW	Unspecified Tank	1981	361091
K	464m NW	Unspecified Tank	1993 - 1996	373023
K	467m NW	Unspecified Tank	1978	370050
K	469m NW	Unspecified Tank	1989 - 1990	374636

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1.3 Historical energy features

Records within 500m

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Energy features digitised from historical Ordnance Survey mapping at high-detail 1:1,250 and 1:2,500 scale, intelligently grouped into contiguous features. To prevent misrepresentation of the size of historical features at any given time, features are only grouped if they have similar geometries within immediately preceding or succeeding map editions. See section 2 for a breakdown of grouping if required. Grouped and the original ungrouped features can be cross-referenced across sections 1 and 2 using the 'Group ID'.

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ID	Location	Land use	Dates present	Group ID
C	379m NW	Electricity Substation	1981	249794
F	380m NW	Electricity Substation	1981 - 1996	251116
G	390m S	Electricity Substation	1981	262939
G	391m S	Electricity Substation	1993	257512



ID	Location	Land use	Dates present	Group ID
G	391m S	Electricity Substation	1986	258307
D	407m W	Electricity Substation	1981 - 1996	261052
3	415m NW	Electricity Substation	1996	249790
M	483m S	Electricity Substation	1981	258027
M	484m S	Electricity Substation	1986 - 1993	254083
L	498m W	Electricity Substation	1981 - 1996	257022

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1.4 Historical petrol stations

Records within 500m	0
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Petrol stations digitised from historical Ordnance Survey mapping at high-detail 1:1,250 and 1:2,500 scale, intelligently grouped into contiguous features. To prevent misrepresentation of the size of historical features at any given time, features are only grouped if they have similar geometries within immediately preceding or succeeding map editions. See section 2 for a breakdown of grouping if required. Grouped and the original ungrouped features can be cross-referenced across sections 1 and 2 using the 'Group ID'.

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1.5 Historical garages

Records within 500m	5
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Garages digitised from historical Ordnance Survey mapping at high-detail 1:1,250 and 1:2,500 scale, intelligently grouped into contiguous features. To prevent misrepresentation of the size of historical features at any given time, features are only grouped if they have similar geometries within immediately preceding or succeeding map editions. See section 2 for a breakdown of grouping if required. Grouped and the original ungrouped features can be cross-referenced across sections 1 and 2 using the 'Group ID'.

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ID	Location	Land use	Dates present	Group ID
2	388m S	Garage	1986 - 1993	77640
J	453m SE	Garage	1965	78938
J	456m SE	Garage	1993	79330
L	470m W	Motor Repair Works	1966	78952
L	474m W	Motor Repair Works	1965	78644



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1.6 Historical military land

Records within 500m

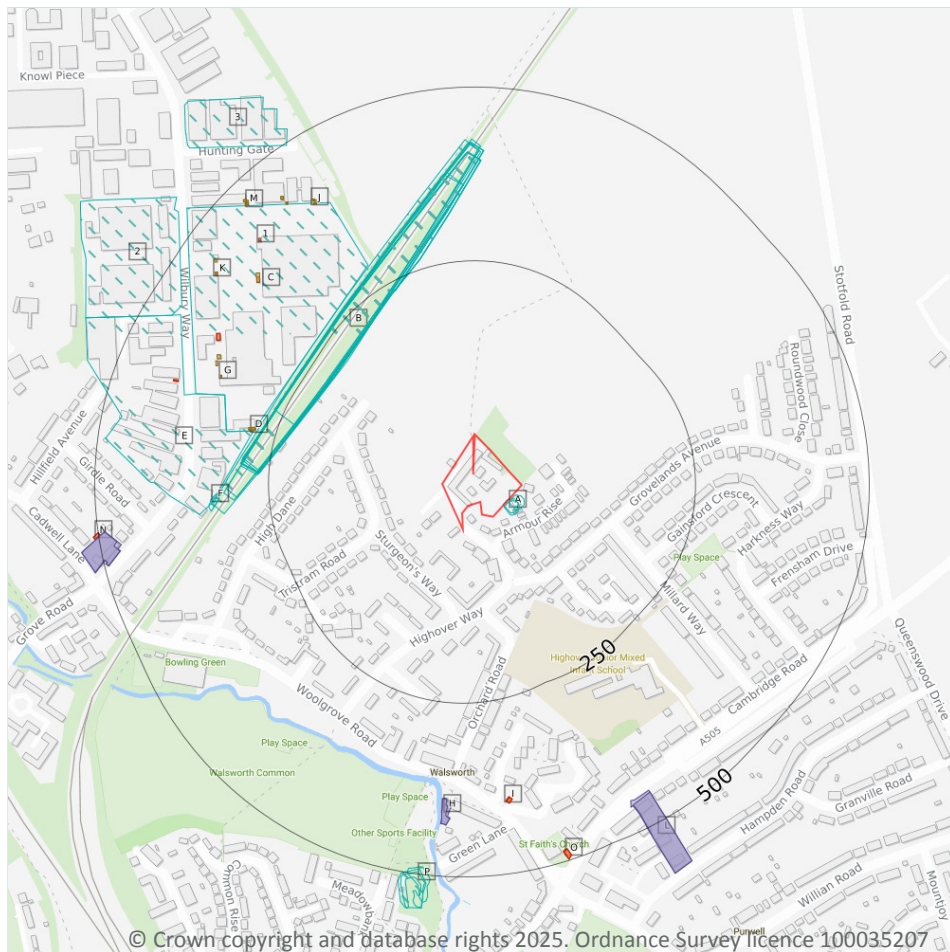
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Areas of military land digitised from multiple sources including the National Archives, local records, MOD records and verified other sources, intelligently grouped into contiguous features.

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2 Past land use - un-grouped



- Site Outline
- Search buffers in metres (m)
- Historical industrial land uses
- Historical tanks
- Historical energy features
- Historical garages

2.1 Historical industrial land uses

Records within 500m

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Potentially contaminative land use features digitised from historical Ordnance Survey mapping at 1:10,000 and 10,560 scale. Any records shown are available intelligently grouped in section 1. Grouped and the original un-grouped features can be cross-referenced across sections 1 and 2 using the 'Group ID'.

Features are displayed on the Past land use - un-grouped map on [page 20](#) >

ID	Location	Land Use	Date	Group ID
A	On site	Unspecified Pit	1887	2124580
A	2m SE	Unspecified Pit	1884	2119317
A	2m SE	Unspecified Pit	1888	2125321



ID	Location	Land Use	Date	Group ID
B	211m NW	Cuttings	1960	2134286
B	213m NW	Cuttings	1938	2134286
B	213m NW	Cuttings	1938	2134286
B	213m NW	Cuttings	1938	2134286
B	213m NW	Cuttings	1938	2134286
B	214m NW	Cuttings	1899	2106454
B	215m NW	Cuttings	1938	2114633
B	215m NW	Cuttings	1887	2139880
B	215m NW	Cuttings	1948	2134286
B	215m NW	Cuttings	1921	2134286
B	215m NW	Cuttings	1899	2134286
B	216m NW	Cuttings	1982	2109513
B	217m NW	Cuttings	1884	2097436
B	218m NW	Cuttings	1888	2106454
C	264m NW	Unspecified Works	1982	2080060
E	282m W	Unspecified Commercial/Industrial	1982	2072714
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P	497m S	Unspecified Ground Workings	1888	2090907

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2.2 Historical tanks

Records within 500m

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Tank features digitised from historical Ordnance Survey mapping at high-detail 1:1,250 and 1:2,500 scale. Any records shown are available intelligently grouped in section 1. Grouped and the original un-grouped features can be cross-referenced across sections 1 and 2 using the 'Group ID'.

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ID	Location	Land Use	Date	Group ID
D	279m W	Tanks	1981	375381
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G	352m NW	Unspecified Tank	1981	361599
G	365m NW	Unspecified Tank	1996	361593
G	365m NW	Unspecified Tank	1981	361598
C	379m NW	Unspecified Tank	1996	361592
J	402m NW	Unspecified Tank	1993	367266
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J	408m NW	Unspecified Tank	1989	370573
J	408m NW	Unspecified Tank	1990	370573
J	427m NW	Unspecified Tank	1993	371807
J	427m NW	Unspecified Tank	1996	371807
J	427m NW	Unspecified Tank	1993	371807
K	434m NW	Unspecified Tank	1981	371744
K	435m NW	Unspecified Tank	1996	371744
J	436m NW	Unspecified Tank	1989	369333
J	436m NW	Unspecified Tank	1990	369333
K	445m NW	Unspecified Tank	1981	361091
M	464m NW	Unspecified Tank	1993	373023
M	464m NW	Unspecified Tank	1996	373023
M	464m NW	Unspecified Tank	1993	373023
M	467m NW	Unspecified Tank	1978	370050



ID	Location	Land Use	Date	Group ID
M	469m NW	Unspecified Tank	1989	374636
M	469m NW	Unspecified Tank	1990	374636

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2.3 Historical energy features

Records within 500m	14
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ID	Location	Land Use	Date	Group ID
C	379m NW	Electricity Substation	1981	249794
G	380m NW	Electricity Substation	1981	251116
G	381m NW	Electricity Substation	1996	251116
I	390m S	Electricity Substation	1981	262939
I	391m S	Electricity Substation	1993	257512
I	391m S	Electricity Substation	1986	258307
E	407m W	Electricity Substation	1981	261052
E	408m W	Electricity Substation	1996	261052
1	415m NW	Electricity Substation	1996	249790
O	483m S	Electricity Substation	1981	258027
O	484m S	Electricity Substation	1986	254083
O	484m S	Electricity Substation	1993	254083
N	498m W	Electricity Substation	1996	257022
N	498m W	Electricity Substation	1981	257022

This data is sourced from Ordnance Survey / Groundsure.



2.4 Historical petrol stations

Records within 500m**0**

Petrol stations digitised from historical Ordnance Survey mapping at high-detail 1:1,250 and 1:2,500 scale. Any records shown are available intelligently grouped in section 1. Grouped and the original un-grouped features can be cross-referenced across sections 1 and 2 using the 'Group ID'.

This data is sourced from Ordnance Survey / Groundsure.

2.5 Historical garages

Records within 500m**6**

Garages digitised from historical Ordnance Survey mapping at high-detail 1:1,250 and 1:2,500 scale. Any records shown are available intelligently grouped in section 1. Grouped and the original un-grouped features can be cross-referenced across sections 1 and 2 using the 'Group ID'.

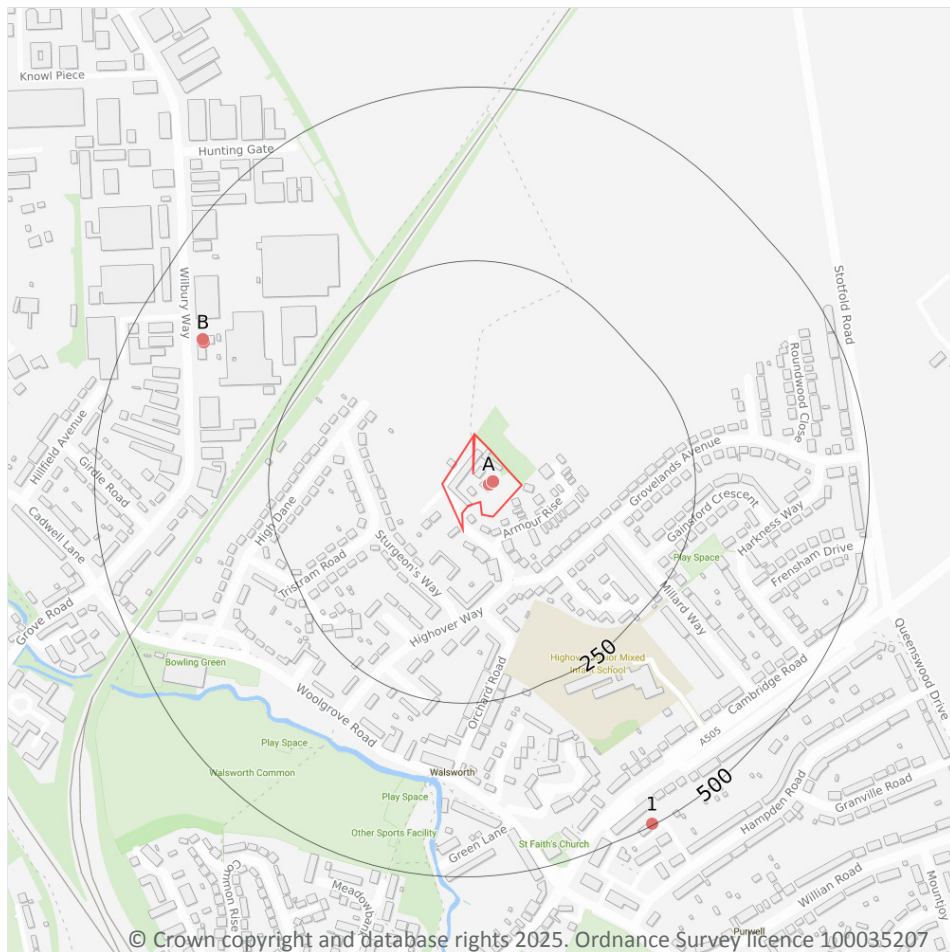
Features are displayed on the Past land use - un-grouped map on [page 20 >](#)

ID	Location	Land Use	Date	Group ID
H	388m S	Garage	1986	77640
H	388m S	Garage	1993	77640
L	453m SE	Garage	1965	78938
L	456m SE	Garage	1993	79330
N	470m W	Motor Repair Works	1966	78952
N	474m W	Motor Repair Works	1965	78644

This data is sourced from Ordnance Survey / Groundsure.



3 Waste and landfill



— Site Outline
Search buffers in metres (m)
● Waste exemptions

3.1 Active or recent landfill

Records within 500m

0

Active or recently closed landfill sites under Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales regulation.

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.

3.2 Historical landfill (BGS records)

Records within 500m

0

Landfill sites identified on a survey carried out on behalf of the DoE in 1973. These sites may have been closed or operational at this time.

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey.



3.3 Historical landfill (LA/mapping records)

Records within 500m**0**

Landfill sites identified from Local Authority records and high detail historical mapping.

This data is sourced from the Ordnance Survey/Groundsure and Local Authority records.

3.4 Historical landfill (EA/NRW records)

Records within 500m**0**

Known historical (closed) landfill sites (e.g. sites where there is no PPC permit or waste management licence currently in force). This includes sites that existed before the waste licensing regime and sites that have been licensed in the past but where a licence has been revoked, ceased to exist or surrendered and a certificate of completion has been issued.

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.

3.5 Historical waste sites

Records within 500m**0**

Waste site records derived from Local Authority planning records and high detail historical mapping.

This data is sourced from Ordnance Survey/Groundsure and Local Authority records.

3.6 Licensed waste sites

Records within 500m**0**

Active or recently closed waste sites under Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales regulation.

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.

3.7 Waste exemptions

Records within 500m**25**

Activities involving the storage, treatment, use or disposal of waste that are exempt from needing a permit. Exemptions have specific limits and conditions that must be adhered to.

Features are displayed on the Waste and landfill map on [page 25](#) >

ID	Location	Site	Reference	Category	Sub-Category	Description
A	On site	Highover Farm, Highover Way, Hitchin, Sg4 0rq	WEX047505	Disposing of waste exemption	On a farm	Deposit of waste from dredging of inland waters
A	On site	Highover Farm, Highover Way, Hitchin, Sg4 0rq	WEX047505	Storing waste exemption	On a farm	Storage of sludge
A	On site	Highover Farm, Highover Way, Hitchin, Sg4 0rq	WEX047505	Treating waste exemption	On a farm	Treatment of waste wood and waste plant matter by chipping, shredding, cutting or pulverising
A	On site	Highover Farm, Highover Way, Hitchin, Sg4 0rq	WEX047505	Using waste exemption	On a farm	Use of waste in construction
A	On site	Highover Farm, Highover Way, Hitchin, Sg4 0rq	WEX047505	Using waste exemption	On a farm	Spreading of plant matter to confer benefit
A	On site	Highover Farm, Highover Way, Hitchin, Sg4 0rq	WEX047505	Using waste exemption	On a farm	Incorporation of ash into soil
A	On site	Highover Farm, Highover Way, Hitchin, Sg4 0rq	WEX047505	Using waste exemption	On a farm	Use of waste for a specified purpose
A	On site	Highover Farm, Highover Way, Hitchin, Sg4 0rq	WEX047505	Disposing of waste exemption	On a farm	Deposit of agricultural waste consisting of plant tissue under a Plant Health notice
A	On site	Highover Farm, Highover Way, Hitchin, Sg4 0rq	WEX047505	Disposing of waste exemption	On a farm	Burning waste in the open
A	On site	Highover Farm, Highover Way, Hitchin, Sg4 0rq	WEX047505	Using waste exemption	On a farm	Spreading waste on agricultural land to confer benefit
A	On site	Highover Farm Highover Way Hitchin Hertfordshire Sg4 0rq	EPR/FF0833SX /A001	Disposing of waste exemption	Agricultural waste only	Deposit of waste from dredging of inland waters
A	On site	Highover Farm Highover Way Hitchin Hertfordshire Sg4 0rq	EPR/FF0833SX /A001	Treating waste exemption	Agricultural waste only	Treatment of waste wood and waste plant matter by chipping, shredding, cutting or pulverising
A	On site	Highover Farm Highover Way Hitchin Hertfordshire Sg4 0rq	EPR/FF0833SX /A001	Using waste exemption	Agricultural waste only	Use of waste in construction
A	On site	Highover Farm Highover Way Hitchin Hertfordshire Sg4 0rq	EPR/FF0833SX /A001	Using waste exemption	Agricultural waste only	Spreading of plant matter to confer benefit
A	On site	Highover Farm Highover Way Hitchin Hertfordshire Sg4 0rq	EPR/FF0833SX /A001	Using waste exemption	Agricultural waste only	Incorporation of ash into soil

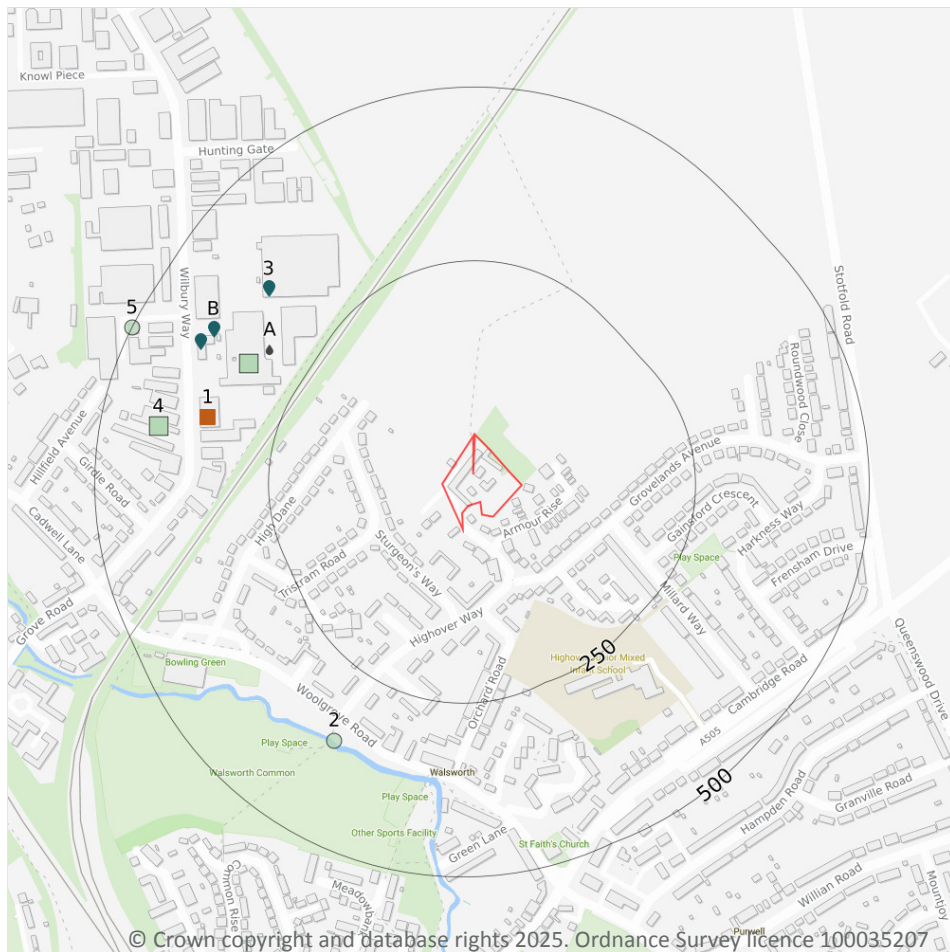


ID	Location	Site	Reference	Category	Sub-Category	Description
A	On site	Highover Farm Highover Way Hitchin Hertfordshire Sg4 0rq	EPR/FF0833SX /A001	Using waste exemption	Agricultural waste only	Use of waste for a specified purpose
A	On site	Highover Farm Highover Way Hitchin Hertfordshire Sg4 0rq	EPR/FF0833SX /A001	Storing waste exemption	Non-agricultural waste only	Storage of sludge
A	On site	Highover Farm Highover Way Hitchin Hertfordshire Sg4 0rq	EPR/FF0833SX /A001	Disposing of waste exemption	Agricultural waste only	Deposit of agricultural waste consisting of plant tissue under a Plant Health notice
A	On site	Highover Farm Highover Way Hitchin Hertfordshire Sg4 0rq	EPR/FF0833SX /A001	Disposing of waste exemption	Agricultural waste only	Burning waste in the open
A	On site	Highover Farm Highover Way Hitchin Hertfordshire Sg4 0rq	EPR/FF0833SX /A001	Using waste exemption	Agricultural waste only	Spreading waste on agricultural land to confer benefit
B	400m NW	-	WEX406519	Using waste exemption	Not on a farm	Use of waste in construction
B	400m NW	-	WEX440261	Treating waste exemption	Not on a farm	Preparatory treatments (baling, sorting, shredding etc)
B	403m NW	46-48, Wilbury Way, Hitchin, Sg4 0ud	WEX150781	Treating waste exemption	Not on a farm	Preparatory treatments (baling, sorting, shredding etc)
B	403m NW	46-48, Wilbury Way, Hitchin, Sg4 0ud	WEX311765	Treating waste exemption	Not on a farm	Preparatory treatments (baling, sorting, shredding etc)
1	499m SE	-	WEX365640	Using waste exemption	Not on a farm	Use of waste in construction

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.



4 Current industrial land use



- Site Outline
- Search buffers in metres (m)
- Licensed pollutant release (Part A(2)/B)
- Licensed Discharges to controlled waters
- Pollutant release to public sewer
- List 2 Dangerous Substances
- Pollution Incidents (EA/NRW)

4.1 Recent industrial land uses

Records within 250m

0

Current potentially contaminative industrial sites.

This data is sourced from Ordnance Survey.

4.2 Current or recent petrol stations

Records within 500m

0

Open, closed, under development and obsolete petrol stations.

This data is sourced from Experian.



4.3 Electricity cables

Records within 500m**0**

High voltage underground electricity transmission cables.

This data is sourced from National Grid.

4.4 Gas pipelines

Records within 500m**0**

High pressure underground gas transmission pipelines.

This data is sourced from National Grid.

4.5 Sites determined as Contaminated Land

Records within 500m**0**

Contaminated Land Register of sites designated under Part 2a of the Environmental Protection Act 1990.

This data is sourced from Local Authority records.

4.6 Control of Major Accident Hazards (COMAH)

Records within 500m**0**

Control of Major Accident Hazards (COMAH) sites. This data includes upper and lower tier sites, and includes a historical archive of COMAH sites and Notification of Installations Handling Hazardous Substances (NIHHS) records.

This data is sourced from the Health and Safety Executive.

4.7 Regulated explosive sites

Records within 500m**0**

Sites registered and licensed by the Health and Safety Executive under the Manufacture and Storage of Explosives Regulations 2005 (MSER). The last update to this data was in April 2011.

This data is sourced from the Health and Safety Executive.



4.8 Hazardous substance storage/usage

Records within 500m

0

Consents granted for a site to hold certain quantities of hazardous substances at or above defined limits in accordance with the Planning (Hazardous Substances) Regulations 2015.

This data is sourced from Local Authority records.

4.9 Historical licensed industrial activities (IPC)

Records within 500m

0

Integrated Pollution Control (IPC) records of substance releases to air, land and water. This data represents a historical archive as the IPC regime has been superseded.

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.

4.10 Licensed industrial activities (Part A(1))

Records within 500m

0

Records of Part A(1) installations regulated under the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 for the release of substances to the environment.

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.

4.11 Licensed pollutant release (Part A(2)/B)

Records within 500m

3

Records of Part A(2) and Part B installations regulated under the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 for the release of substances to the environment.

Features are displayed on the Current industrial land use map on [page 29 >](#)

ID	Location	Address	Details	
3	363m NW	Viking Johnson Ltd, 46-48 Wilbury Way, Hitchin, Hertfordshire, SG4 0UD	Process: Manufacture of Coating Materials Status: Current Permit Permit Type: Part B	Enforcement: No Enforcements Notified Date of enforcement: No Enforcements Notified Comment: No Enforcements Notified
B	398m NW	Tic Limited, Wilbury Way, Hitchin, Hertfordshire, SG4 0AP	Process: Coating Processes Status: Historical Permit Permit Type: Part B	Enforcement: No Enforcements Notified Date of enforcement: No Enforcements Notified Comment: No Enforcements Notified

ID	Location	Address	Details	
B	404m NW	Viking Johnson, 46-48 Wilbury Way, Hitchin, SG4 0UD	Process: Coating Processes Status: Historical Permit Permit Type: Part B	Enforcement: No Enforcements Notified Date of enforcement: No Enforcements Notified Comment: No Enforcements Notified

This data is sourced from Local Authority records.

4.12 Radioactive Substance Authorisations

Records within 500m	0
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Records of the storage, use, accumulation and disposal of radioactive substances regulated under the Radioactive Substances Act 1993.

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.

4.13 Licensed Discharges to controlled waters

Records within 500m	1
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Discharges of treated or untreated effluent to controlled waters under the Water Resources Act 1991.

Features are displayed on the Current industrial land use map on [page 29](#) >

ID	Location	Address	Details	
A	313m NW	4648WILBURYWAY,WI LBURYWAY,HITCHIN,H ERTS,SG40UD	Effluent Type: MISCELLANEOUS DISCHARGES - SURFACE WATER Permit Number: PRCAF04142 Permit Version: 1 Receiving Water: -	Status: POST NRA LEGISLATION WHERE ISSUE DATE > 31-AUG-89 (HISTORIC ONLY) Issue date: 22/01/1991 Effective Date: 22/01/1991 Revocation Date: -

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.

4.14 Pollutant release to surface waters (Red List)

Records within 500m	0
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Discharges of specified substances under the Environmental Protection (Prescribed Processes and Substances) Regulations 1991.

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.



4.15 Pollutant release to public sewer

Records within 500m

1

Discharges of Special Category Effluents to the public sewer.

Features are displayed on the Current industrial land use map on [page 29 >](#)

ID	Location	Address	Details	
1	351m W	PLASMOULDS LTD, 13 BANCROFT, 13 BANCROFT, HITCHIN, HERTFORDSHIRE, SG4 0UB	Permission reference: CD5555 Local Authority: HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL First received date: 01/04/2009	Last received date: 01/01/2018 Status: DEAD (APPLICATION)

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.

4.16 List 1 Dangerous Substances

Records within 500m

0

Discharges of substances identified on List I of European Directive E 2006/11/EC, and regulated under the Environmental Damage (Prevention and Remediation) Regulations 2015.

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.

4.17 List 2 Dangerous Substances

Records within 500m

2

Discharges of substances identified on List II of European Directive E 2006/11/EC, and regulated under the Environmental Damage (Prevention and Remediation) Regulations 2015.

Features are displayed on the Current industrial land use map on [page 29 >](#)

ID	Location	Name	Status	Receiving Water	Authorised Substances
A	328m NW	Viking Johnson	Not Active	Na	pH
4	417m W	Staton Wholesale Meats Limited	Not Active	Na	pH

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.



4.18 Pollution Incidents (EA/NRW)

Records within 500m

2

Records of substantiated pollution incidents. Since 2006 this data has only included category 1 (major) and 2 (significant) pollution incidents.

Features are displayed on the Current industrial land use map on [page 29](#) >

ID	Location	Details	
2	356m SW	Incident Date: 15/01/2003 Incident Identification: 131150 Pollutant: Inert Materials and Wastes Pollutant Description: Soils and Clay	Water Impact: Category 3 (Minor) Land Impact: Category 4 (No Impact) Air Impact: Category 4 (No Impact)
5	500m NW	Incident Date: 05/11/2001 Incident Identification: 41155 Pollutant: Inert Materials and Wastes Pollutant Description: Construction and Demolition Materials and Wastes	Water Impact: Category 4 (No Impact) Land Impact: Category 3 (Minor) Air Impact: Category 4 (No Impact)

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.

4.19 Pollution inventory substances

Records within 500m

0

The pollution inventory (substances) includes reporting on annual emissions of certain regulated substances to air, controlled waters and land. A reporting threshold for each substance is also included. Where emissions fall below the reporting threshold, no value will be given. The data is given for the most recent complete year available.

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and the Scottish Environment Protection Agency.

4.20 Pollution inventory waste transfers

Records within 500m

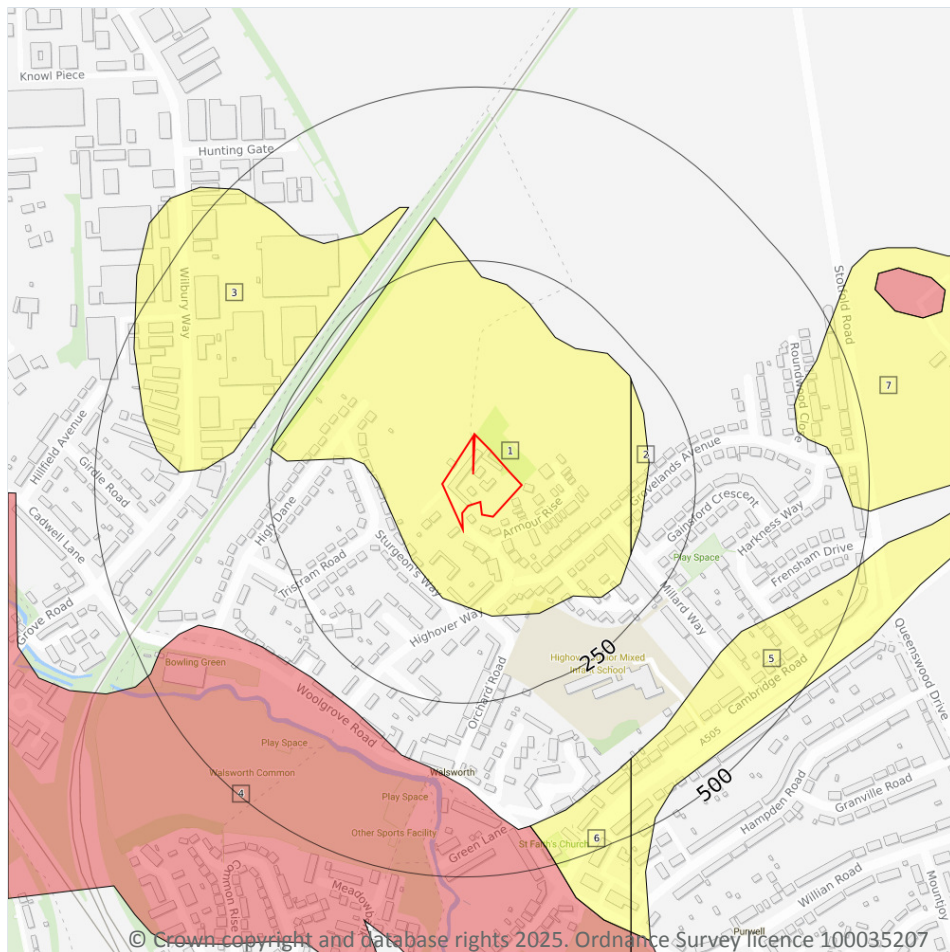
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The pollution inventory (waste transfers) includes reporting on annual transfers and recovery/disposal of controlled wastes from a site. A reporting threshold for each waste type is also included. Where releases fall below the reporting threshold, no value will be given. The data is given for the most recent complete year available.

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and the Scottish Environment Protection Agency.



5 Hydrogeology - Superficial aquifer



- Site Outline**
- Search buffers in metres (m)**
- Principal
 - Secondary A
 - Secondary B
 - Secondary Undifferentiated
 - Unproductive
 - Unknown

5.1 Superficial aquifer

Records within 500m

7

Aquifer status of groundwater held within superficial geology.

Features are displayed on the Hydrogeology map on [page 36](#) >

ID	Location	Designation	Description
1	On site	Secondary Undifferentiated	Assigned where it is not possible to attribute either category A or B to a rock type. In general these layers have previously been designated as both minor and non-aquifer in different locations due to the variable characteristics of the rock type
2	157m E	Secondary Undifferentiated	Assigned where it is not possible to attribute either category A or B to a rock type. In general these layers have previously been designated as both minor and non-aquifer in different locations due to the variable characteristics of the rock type

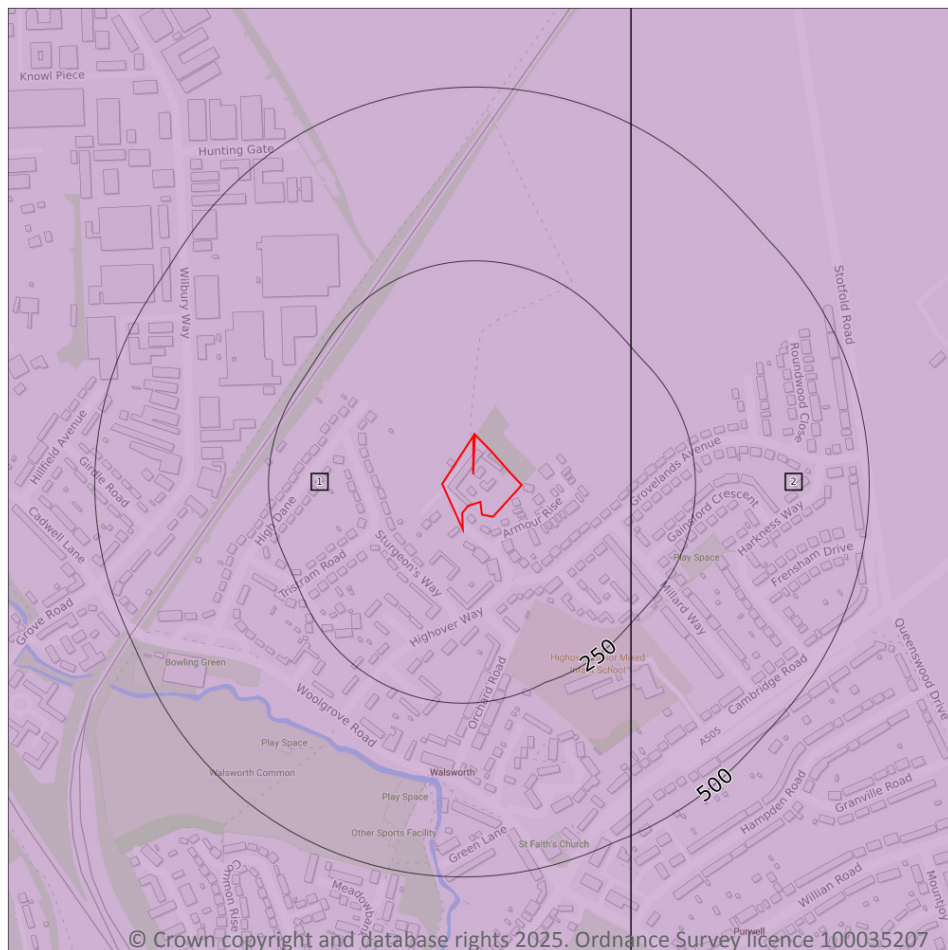


ID	Location	Designation	Description
3	267m NW	Secondary Undifferentiated	Assigned where it is not possible to attribute either category A or B to a rock type. In general these layers have previously been designated as both minor and non-aquifer in different locations due to the variable characteristics of the rock type
4	302m SW	Secondary A	Permeable layers capable of supporting water supplies at a local rather than strategic scale, and in some cases forming an important source of base flow to rivers. These are generally aquifers formerly classified as minor aquifers
5	374m SE	Secondary Undifferentiated	Assigned where it is not possible to attribute either category A or B to a rock type. In general these layers have previously been designated as both minor and non-aquifer in different locations due to the variable characteristics of the rock type
6	401m SE	Secondary Undifferentiated	Assigned where it is not possible to attribute either category A or B to a rock type. In general these layers have previously been designated as both minor and non-aquifer in different locations due to the variable characteristics of the rock type
7	404m E	Secondary Undifferentiated	Assigned where it is not possible to attribute either category A or B to a rock type. In general these layers have previously been designated as both minor and non-aquifer in different locations due to the variable characteristics of the rock type

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey, the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.



Bedrock aquifer



- Site Outline
- Search buffers in metres (m)
- Principal
 - Secondary A
 - Secondary B
 - Secondary Undifferentiated
 - Unproductive

5.2 Bedrock aquifer

Records within 500m

2

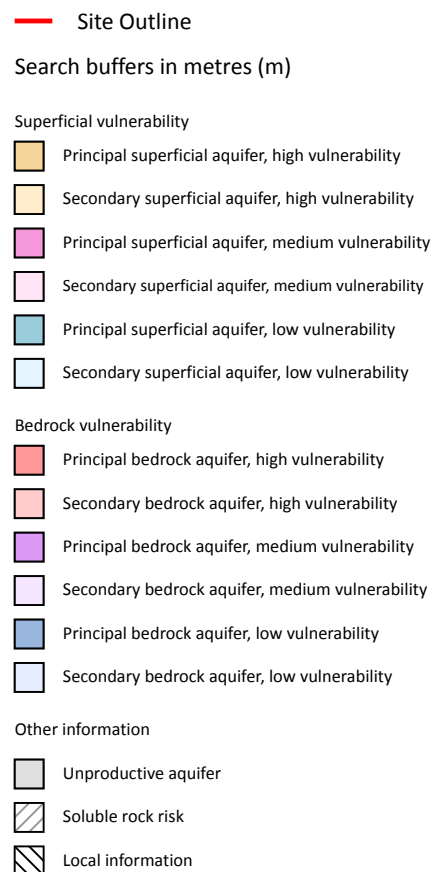
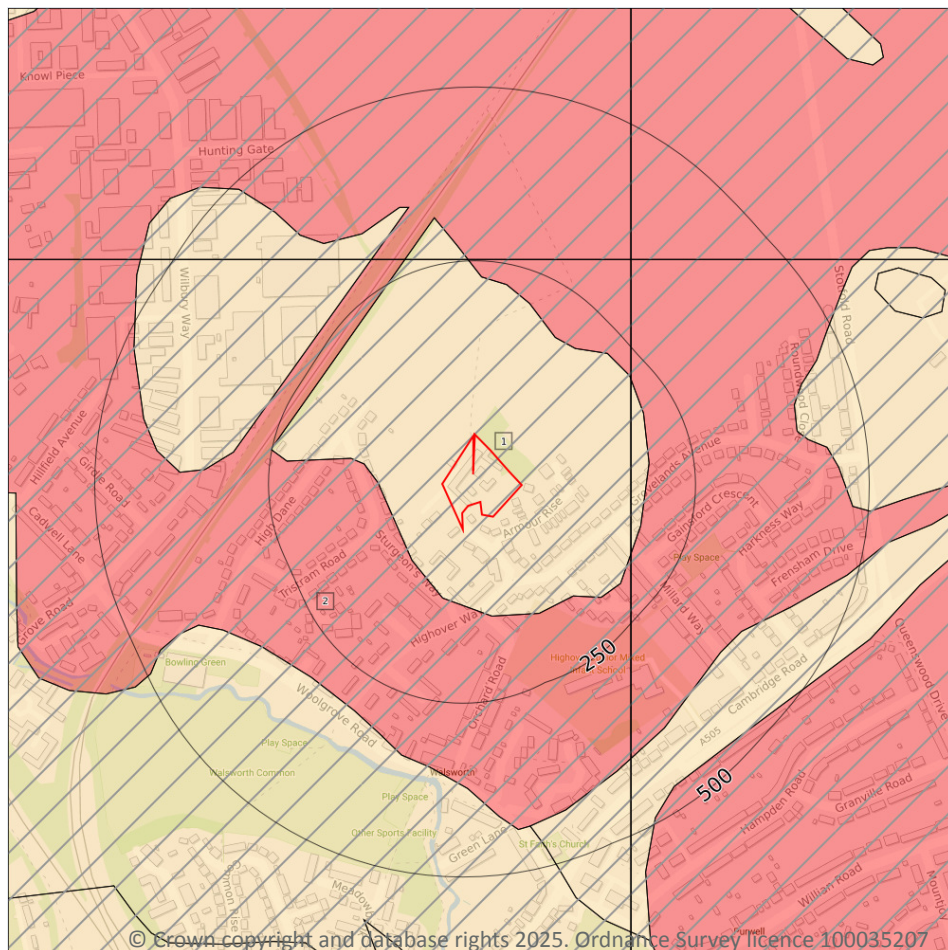
Aquifer status of groundwater held within bedrock geology.

Features are displayed on the Bedrock aquifer map on [page 38](#) >

ID	Location	Designation	Description
1	On site	Principal	Geology of high intergranular and/or fracture permeability, usually providing a high level of water storage and may support water supply/river base flow on a strategic scale. Generally principal aquifers were previously major aquifers
2	157m E	Principal	Geology of high intergranular and/or fracture permeability, usually providing a high level of water storage and may support water supply/river base flow on a strategic scale. Generally principal aquifers were previously major aquifers



Groundwater vulnerability



5.3 Groundwater vulnerability

Records within 50m

1

An assessment of the vulnerability of groundwater to a pollutant discharged at ground level based on the hydrological, geological, hydrogeological and soil properties within a one kilometre square grid. Groundwater vulnerability is described as High, Medium or Low as follows:

- High - Areas able to easily transmit pollution to groundwater. They are likely to be characterised by high leaching soils and the absence of low permeability superficial deposits.
- Medium - Intermediate between high and low vulnerability.
- Low - Areas that provide the greatest protection from pollution. They are likely to be characterised by low leaching soils and/or the presence of superficial deposits characterised by a low permeability.

Features are displayed on the Groundwater vulnerability map on [page 40](#) >



ID	Location	Summary	Soil / surface	Superficial geology	Bedrock geology
1	On site	Summary Classification: Secondary superficial aquifer - High Vulnerability Combined classification: Productive Bedrock Aquifer, Productive Superficial Aquifer	Leaching class: High Infiltration value: >70% Dilution value: <300mm/year	Vulnerability: High Aquifer type: Secondary Thickness: <3m Patchiness value: <90% Recharge potential: No Data	Vulnerability: High Aquifer type: Principal Flow mechanism: Well connected fractures

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey, the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.

5.4 Groundwater vulnerability- soluble rock risk

Records on site	1
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This dataset identifies areas where solution features that enable rapid movement of a pollutant may be present within a 1km grid square.

ID	Maximum soluble risk category	Percentage of grid square covered by maximum risk
2	Significant soluble rocks are likely to be present. Problems unlikely except with considerable surface or subsurface water flow.	59.0%

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey and the Environment Agency.

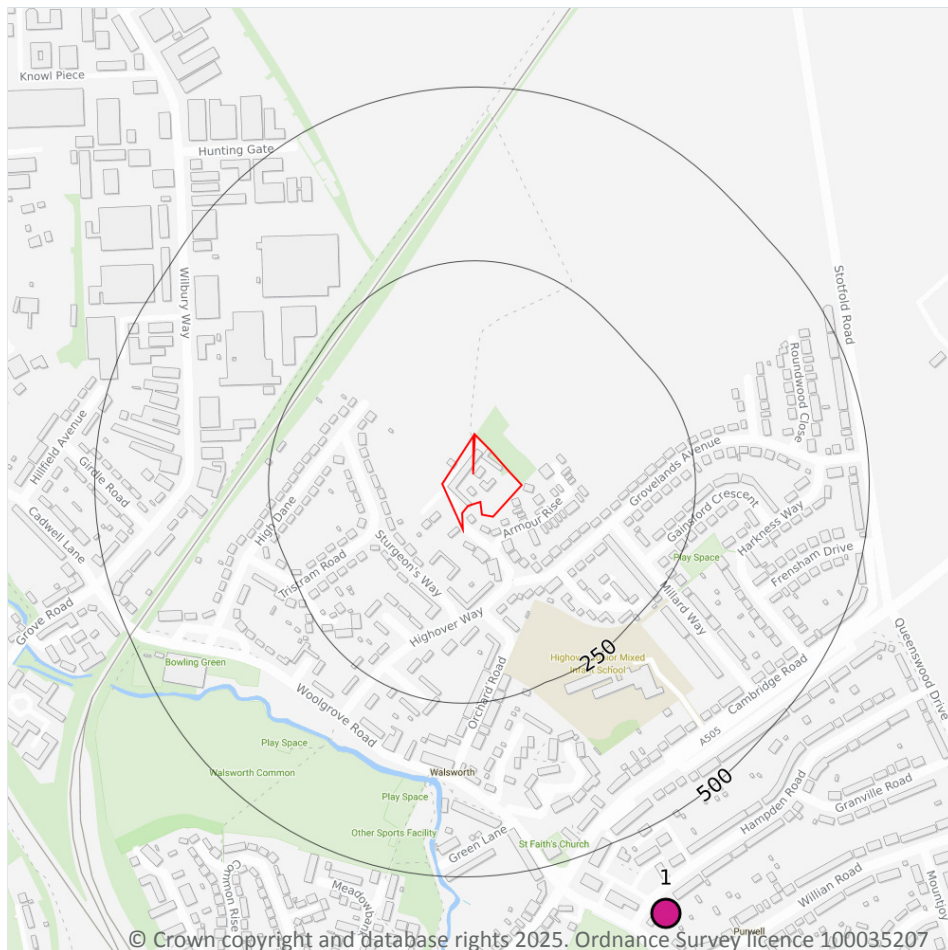
5.5 Groundwater vulnerability- local information

Records on site	0
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This dataset identifies areas where additional local information affecting vulnerability is held by the Environment Agency. Further information can be obtained by contacting the Environment Agency local Area groundwater team through the Environment Agency National Customer Call Centre on 03798 506 506 or by email on enquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk ↗.

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey and the Environment Agency.

Abstractions and Source Protection Zones



- Site Outline
- Search buffers in metres (m)
- Source Protection Zone 1
Inner catchment
- Source Protection Zone 2
Outer catchment
- Source Protection Zone 3
Total catchment
- Source Protection Zone 4
Zone of Special Interest
- Source Protection Zone 1c
Inner catchment - confined aquifer
- Source Protection Zone 2c
Outer catchment - confined aquifer
- Source Protection Zone 3c
Total catchment - confined aquifer
- Drinking water abstraction licences
Polygon features
- Drinking water abstraction licences
Linear features
- Groundwater abstraction licence (point)
- Groundwater abstraction licence (area)
- Groundwater abstraction licence (linear)
- Surface Water Abstractions (point)
- Surface Water Abstractions (area)
- Surface Water Abstractions (linear)

5.6 Groundwater abstractions

Records within 2000m

7

Licensed groundwater abstractions for sites extracting more than 20 cubic metres of water a day and includes active and historical records. The data may be for a single abstraction point, between two points (line data) or a larger area.

Features are displayed on the Abstractions and Source Protection Zones map on [page 42 >](#)



ID	Location	Details	
1	622m SE	Status: Historical Licence No: 6/33/13/*G/0036 Details: Laundry Use Direct Source: GROUND WATER SOURCE OF SUPPLY Point: BOREHOLE SW LETCHW'TH & LONGWD Data Type: Point Name: LETCHWORTH HILL LAUNDRY LTD Easting: 520050 Northing: 230060	Annual Volume (m ³): 10636 Max Daily Volume (m ³): 40.91 Original Application No: - Original Start Date: 01/12/1967 Expiry Date: - Issue No: 100 Version Start Date: 01/04/2008 Version End Date: -
-	730m E	Status: Historical Licence No: 6/33/13/*G/0098 Details: Spray Irrigation - Direct Direct Source: GROUND WATER SOURCE OF SUPPLY Point: BOREHOLE AT HITCHIN Data Type: Point Name: R HARKNESS & CO LTD Easting: 520560 Northing: 230810	Annual Volume (m ³): - Max Daily Volume (m ³): - Original Application No: - Original Start Date: 01/05/1996 Expiry Date: 31/10/2005 Issue No: 100 Version Start Date: 01/05/1996 Version End Date: -
-	1311m E	Status: Active Licence No: AN/033/0013/001/R02 Details: Spray Irrigation - Direct Direct Source: GROUND WATER SOURCE OF SUPPLY Point: BOREHOLE AT LETCHWORTH GOLF CLUB Data Type: Point Name: LETCHWORTH GOLF TRUST LTD Easting: 521134 Northing: 230901	Annual Volume (m ³): 10996 Max Daily Volume (m ³): 74 Original Application No: NPS/WR/039267 Original Start Date: 01/04/2024 Expiry Date: 31/03/2030 Issue No: 1 Version Start Date: 01/04/2024 Version End Date: -
-	1311m E	Status: Historical Licence No: AN/033/0013/001/R01 Details: Spray Irrigation - Direct Direct Source: GROUND WATER SOURCE OF SUPPLY Point: BOREHOLE AT LETCHWORTH GOLF CLUB Data Type: Point Name: LETCHWORTH GOLF TRUST LTD Easting: 521134 Northing: 230901	Annual Volume (m ³): 10996 Max Daily Volume (m ³): 74 Original Application No: NPS/WR/015814 Original Start Date: 01/04/2018 Expiry Date: 31/03/2024 Issue No: 2 Version Start Date: 01/04/2018 Version End Date: -
-	1311m E	Status: Historical Licence No: AN/033/0013/001 Details: Spray Irrigation - Direct Direct Source: GROUND WATER SOURCE OF SUPPLY Point: BOREHOLE AT LETCHWORTH GOLF CLUB Data Type: Point Name: LETCHWORTH GOLF TRUST LTD Easting: 521134 Northing: 230901	Annual Volume (m ³): 10996 Max Daily Volume (m ³): 74 Original Application No: - Original Start Date: 22/08/2014 Expiry Date: 31/03/2018 Issue No: 1 Version Start Date: 22/08/2014 Version End Date: -



ID	Location	Details	
-	1617m E	Status: Historical Licence No: 6/33/13/*G/0103 Details: Spray Irrigation - Direct Direct Source: GROUND WATER SOURCE OF SUPPLY Point: BOREHOLE LETCHWORTH GOLF CLUB Data Type: Point Name: LETCHWORTH GOLF TRUST LTD Easting: 521450 Northing: 230850	Annual Volume (m ³): 10996 Max Daily Volume (m ³): 73.3 Original Application No: - Original Start Date: 21/08/2001 Expiry Date: 31/10/2010 Issue No: 1 Version Start Date: 02/05/2008 Version End Date: -
-	1866m SE	Status: Historical Licence No: 6/33/13/*G/0043 Details: General Farming & Domestic Direct Source: GROUND WATER SOURCE OF SUPPLY Point: FOUR BOREHOLES AT NINE SPRINGS Data Type: Point Name: BURDETT-COUTTS Easting: 520500 Northing: 228900	Annual Volume (m ³): - Max Daily Volume (m ³): - Original Application No: - Original Start Date: 01/02/1969 Expiry Date: - Issue No: 100 Version Start Date: 01/09/1990 Version End Date: -

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.

5.7 Surface water abstractions

Records within 2000m

9

Licensed surface water abstractions for sites extracting more than 20 cubic metres of water a day and includes active and historical records. The data may be for a single abstraction point, a stretch of watercourse or a larger area.

Features are displayed on the Abstractions and Source Protection Zones map on [page 42 >](#)

ID	Location	Details	
-	1460m SE	Status: Historical Licence No: 6/33/13/*S/0034 Details: Spray Irrigation - Direct Direct Source: SURFACE WATER SOURCE OF SUPPLY Point: WATERCOURSE N OF GT WYMONDLEY Data Type: Line Name: LETCHWORTH GARDEN CITY HERITAGE FOUNDATION Easting: 520980 Northing: 229760	Annual Volume (m ³): 22300 Max Daily Volume (m ³): 727 Original Application No: - Original Start Date: 01/11/1967 Expiry Date: - Issue No: 100 Version Start Date: 01/03/1999 Version End Date: -



ID	Location	Details	
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This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.

5.8 Potable abstractions

Records within 2000m

0

Licensed potable water abstractions for sites extracting more than 20 cubic metres of water a day and includes active and historical records. The data may be for a single abstraction point, a stretch of watercourse or a larger area.

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.



5.9 Source Protection Zones

Records within 500m

0

Source Protection Zones define the sensitivity of an area around a potable abstraction site to contamination.

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.

5.10 Source Protection Zones (confined aquifer)

Records within 500m

0

Source Protection Zones in the confined aquifer define the sensitivity around a deep groundwater abstraction to contamination. A confined aquifer would normally be protected from contamination by overlying geology and is only considered a sensitive resource if deep excavation/drilling is taking place.

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.



This data is sourced from the Ordnance Survey.

6.3 WFD Surface water body catchments

Records on site	1
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The Water Framework Directive is an EU-led framework for the protection of inland surface waters, estuaries, coastal waters and groundwater through river basin-level management planning. In terms of surface water, these basins are broken down into smaller units known as management, operational and water body catchments.

Features are displayed on the Hydrology map on [page 48](#) >

ID	Location	Type	Water body catchment	Water body ID	Operational catchment	Management catchment
1	On site	River	Purwell	GB105033037690	Ivel	Ouse Upper and Bedford

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.

6.4 WFD Surface water bodies

Records identified	1
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Surface water bodies under the Directive may be rivers, lakes, estuary or coastal. To achieve the purpose of the Directive, environmental objectives have been set and are reported on for each water body. The progress towards delivery of the objectives is then reported on by the relevant competent authorities at the end of each six-year cycle. The river water body directly associated with the catchment listed in the previous section is detailed below, along with any lake, canal, coastal or artificial water body within 250m of the site. Click on the water body ID in the table to visit the EA Catchment Explorer to find out more about each water body listed.

Features are displayed on the Hydrology map on [page 48](#) >

ID	Location	Type	Name	Water body ID	Overall rating	Chemical rating	Ecological rating	Year
6	359m SW	River	Purwell	GB105033037690 ↗	Moderate	Fail	Moderate	2019

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.

6.5 WFD Groundwater bodies

Records on site	1
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Groundwater bodies are also covered by the Directive and the same regime of objectives and reporting detailed in the previous section is in place. Click on the water body ID in the table to visit the EA Catchment Explorer to find out more about each groundwater body listed.



7 River and coastal flooding

7.1 Risk of flooding from rivers and the sea

Records within 50m**0**

The chance of flooding from rivers and/or the sea in any given year, based on cells of 50m within the Risk of Flooding from Rivers and Sea (RoFRaS)/Flood Risk Assessment Wales (FRAW) models. Each cell is allocated one of four flood risk categories, taking into account flood defences and their condition. The risk categories for RoFRaS for rivers and the sea and FRAW for rivers are; Very low (less than 1 in 1000 chance in any given year), Low (less than 1 in 100 but greater than or equal to 1 in 1000 chance), Medium (less than 1 in 30 but greater than or equal to 1 in 100 chance) or High (greater than or equal to 1 in 30 chance). The risk categories for FRAW for the sea are; Very low (less than 1 in 1000 chance in any given year), Low (less than 1 in 200 but greater than or equal to 1 in 1000 chance), Medium (less than 1 in 30 but greater than or equal to 1 in 200 chance) or High (greater than or equal to 1 in 30 chance).

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.

7.2 Historical Flood Events

Records within 250m**0**

Records of historic flooding from rivers, the sea, groundwater and surface water. Records began in 1946 when predecessor bodies started collecting detailed information about flooding incidents, although limited details may be included on flooding incidents prior to this date. Takes into account the presence of defences, structures, and other infrastructure where they existed at the time of flooding, and includes flood extents that may have been affected by overtopping, breaches or blockages.

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.

7.3 Flood Defences

Records within 250m**0**

Records of flood defences owned, managed or inspected by the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales. Flood defences can be structures, buildings or parts of buildings. Typically these are earth banks, stone and concrete walls, or sheet-piling that is used to prevent or control the extent of flooding.

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.



7.4 Areas Benefiting from Flood Defences

Records within 250m

0

Areas that would benefit from the presence of flood defences in a 1 in 100 (1%) chance of flooding each year from rivers or 1 in 200 (0.5%) chance of flooding each year from the sea.

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.

7.5 Flood Storage Areas

Records within 250m

0

Areas that act as a balancing reservoir, storage basin or balancing pond to attenuate an incoming flood peak to a flow level that can be accepted by the downstream channel or to delay the timing of a flood peak so that its volume is discharged over a longer period.

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.



River and coastal flooding - Flood Zones

7.6 Flood Zone 2

Records within 50m

0

Areas of land at risk of flooding, when the presence of flood defences are ignored. Covering land between Flood Zone 3 (see next section) and the extent of the flooding from rivers or the sea with a 1 in 1000 (0.1%) chance of flooding each year.

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.

7.7 Flood Zone 3

Records within 50m

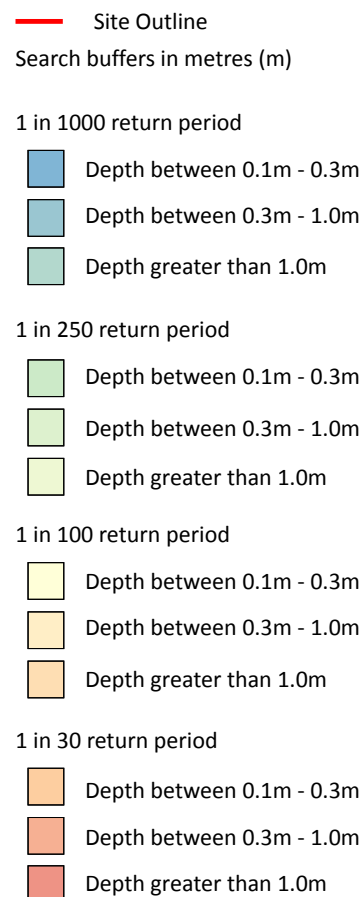
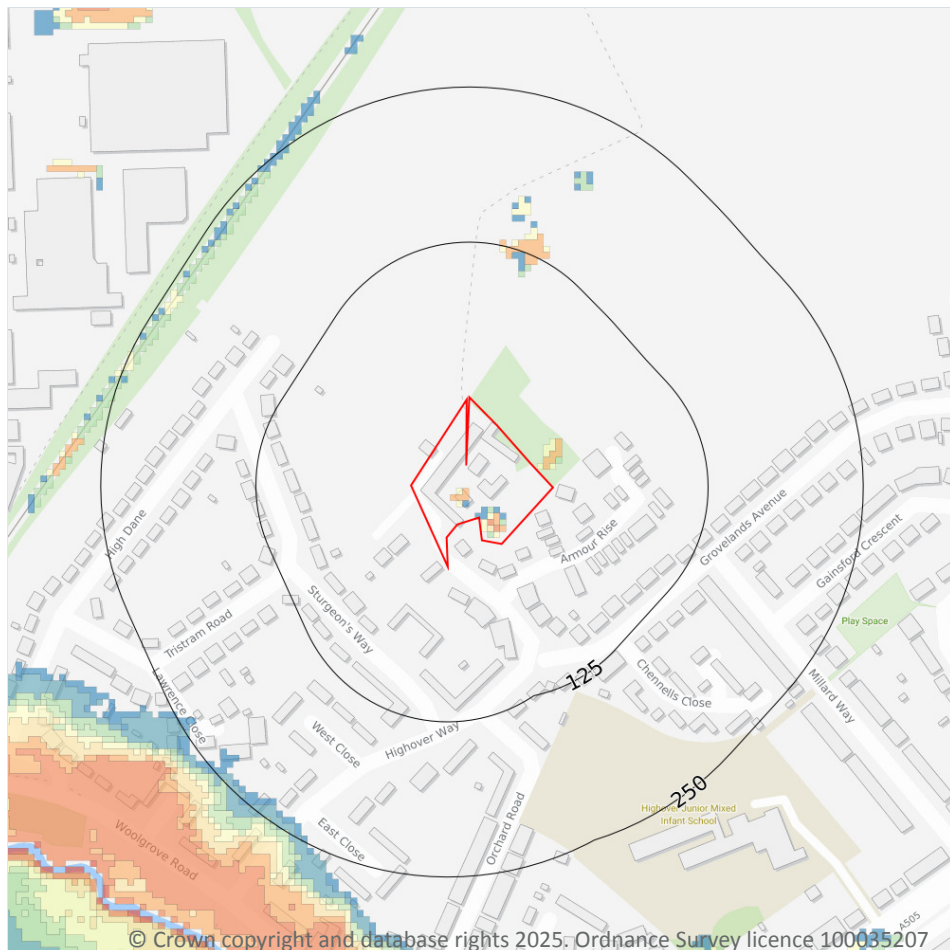
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Areas of land at risk of flooding, when the presence of flood defences are ignored. Covering land with a 1 in 100 (1%) or greater chance of flooding each year from rivers or a 1 in 200 (0.5%) or greater chance of flooding each year from the sea.

This data is sourced from the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales.



8 Surface water flooding



8.1 Surface water flooding

Highest risk on site

1 in 30 year, 0.3m - 1.0m

Highest risk within 50m

1 in 30 year, 0.3m - 1.0m

Ambiental Risk Analytics surface water (pluvial) FloodMap identifies areas likely to flood as a result of extreme rainfall events, i.e. land naturally vulnerable to surface water ponding or flooding. This data set was produced by simulating 1 in 30 year, 1 in 100 year, 1 in 250 year and 1 in 1,000 year rainfall events. Modern urban drainage systems are typically built to cope with rainfall events between 1 in 20 and 1 in 30 years, though some older ones may flood in a 1 in 5 year rainfall event.

Features are displayed on the Surface water flooding map on [page 54 >](#)

The data shown on the map and in the table above shows the highest likelihood of flood events happening at the site. Lower likelihood events may have greater flood depths and hence a greater potential impact on a site.

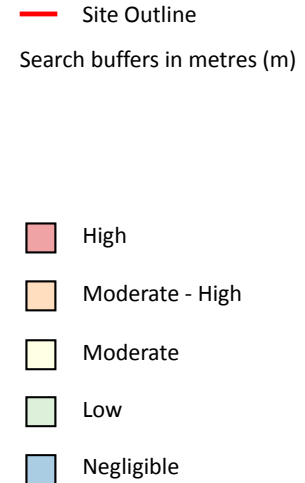
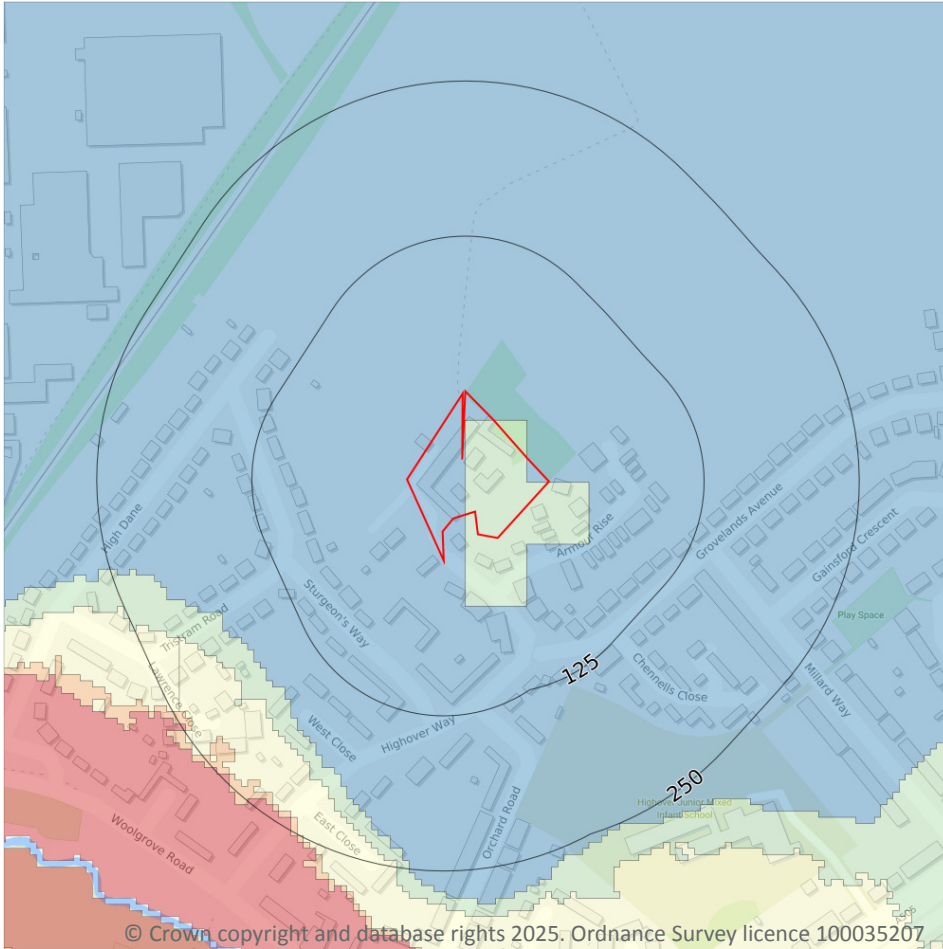
The table below shows the maximum flood depths for a range of return periods for the site.

Return period	Maximum modelled depth
1 in 1000 year	Between 0.3m and 1.0m
1 in 250 year	Between 0.3m and 1.0m
1 in 100 year	Between 0.3m and 1.0m
1 in 30 year	Between 0.3m and 1.0m

This data is sourced from Ambiantal Risk Analytics.



9 Groundwater flooding



9.1 Groundwater flooding

Highest risk on site

Low

Highest risk within 50m

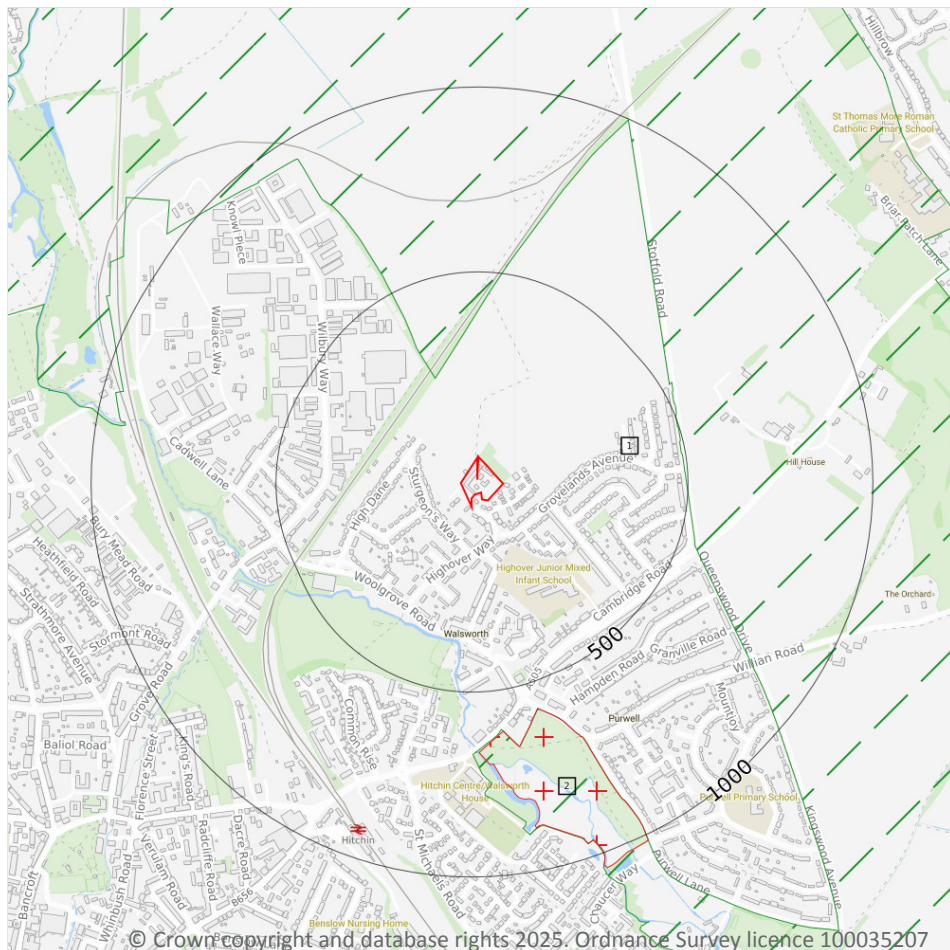
Low

Groundwater flooding is caused by unusually high groundwater levels. It occurs when the water table rises above the ground surface or within underground structures such as basements or cellars. Groundwater flooding tends to exhibit a longer duration than surface water flooding, possibly lasting for weeks or months, and as a result it can cause significant damage to property. This risk assessment is based on a 1 in 100 year return period and a 5m Digital Terrain Model (DTM).

Features are displayed on the Groundwater flooding map on [page 56 >](#)

This data is sourced from Ambiantal Risk Analytics.

10 Environmental designations



- Site Outline
- Search buffers in metres (m)
- + Local Nature Reserves (LNR)
- ▨ Green Belt

10.1 Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)

Records within 2000m

0

Sites providing statutory protection for the best examples of UK flora, fauna, or geological or physiographical features. Originally notified under the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949, SSSIs were re-notified under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. Improved provisions for the protection and management of SSSIs were introduced by the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 (in England and Wales) and (in Scotland) by the Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act 2004 and the Wildlife and Natural Environment (Scotland) Act 2010.

This data is sourced from Natural England, Natural Resources Wales and Scottish Natural Heritage.

10.2 Conserved wetland sites (Ramsar sites)

Records within 2000m**0**

Ramsar sites are designated under the Convention on Wetlands of International Importance, agreed in Ramsar, Iran, in 1971. They cover all aspects of wetland conservation and wise use, recognizing wetlands as ecosystems that are extremely important for biodiversity conservation in general and for the well-being of human communities. These sites cover a broad definition of wetland; marsh, fen, peatland or water, whether natural or artificial, permanent or temporary, with water that is static or flowing, fresh, brackish or salt, and even some marine areas.

This data is sourced from Natural England, Natural Resources Wales and Scottish Natural Heritage.

10.3 Special Areas of Conservation (SAC)

Records within 2000m**0**

Areas which have been identified as best representing the range and variety within the European Union of habitats and (non-bird) species listed on Annexes I and II to the Directive. SACs are designated under the EC Habitats Directive.

This data is sourced from Natural England, Natural Resources Wales and Scottish Natural Heritage.

10.4 Special Protection Areas (SPA)

Records within 2000m**0**

Sites classified by the UK Government under the EC Birds Directive, SPAs are areas of the most important habitat for rare (listed on Annex I to the Directive) and migratory birds within the European Union.

This data is sourced from Natural England, Natural Resources Wales and Scottish Natural Heritage.

10.5 National Nature Reserves (NNR)

Records within 2000m**0**

Sites containing examples of some of the most important natural and semi-natural terrestrial and coastal ecosystems in Great Britain. They are managed to conserve their habitats, provide special opportunities for scientific study or to provide public recreation compatible with natural heritage interests.

This data is sourced from Natural England, Natural Resources Wales and Scottish Natural Heritage.

10.6 Local Nature Reserves (LNR)

Records within 2000m**2**

Sites managed for nature conservation, and to provide opportunities for research and education, or simply enjoying and having contact with nature. They are declared by local authorities under the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949 after consultation with the relevant statutory nature conservation agency.

Features are displayed on the Environmental designations map on [page 57 >](#)

ID	Location	Name	Data source
2	573m S	Purwell Meadows	Natural England
-	1912m W	Oughtonhead Common	Natural England

This data is sourced from Natural England, Natural Resources Wales and Scottish Natural Heritage.

10.7 Designated Ancient Woodland

Records within 2000m**0**

Ancient woodlands are classified as areas which have been wooded continuously since at least 1600 AD. This includes semi-natural woodland and plantations on ancient woodland sites. 'Wooded continuously' does not mean there is or has previously been continuous tree cover across the whole site, and not all trees within the woodland have to be old.

This data is sourced from Natural England, Natural Resources Wales and Scottish Natural Heritage.

10.8 Biosphere Reserves

Records within 2000m**0**

Biosphere Reserves are internationally recognised by UNESCO as sites of excellence to balance conservation and socioeconomic development between nature and people. They are recognised under the Man and the Biosphere (MAB) Programme with the aim of promoting sustainable development founded on the work of the local community.

This data is sourced from Natural England, Natural Resources Wales and Scottish Natural Heritage.

10.9 Forest Parks

Records within 2000m**0**

These are areas managed by the Forestry Commission designated on the basis of recreational, conservation or scenic interest.

This data is sourced from the Forestry Commission.



10.10 Marine Conservation Zones

Records within 2000m

0

A type of marine nature reserve in UK waters established under the Marine and Coastal Access Act (2009). They are designated with the aim to protect nationally important, rare or threatened habitats and species.

This data is sourced from Natural England, Natural Resources Wales and Scottish Natural Heritage.

10.11 Green Belt

Records within 2000m

1

Areas designated to prevent urban sprawl by keeping land permanently open.

Features are displayed on the Environmental designations map on [page 57](#) >

ID	Location	Name	Local Authority name
1	242m NW	London Green Belt	North Hertfordshire

This data is sourced from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government.

10.12 Proposed Ramsar sites

Records within 2000m

0

Ramsar sites are areas listed as a Wetland of International Importance under the Convention on Wetlands of International Importance especially as Waterfowl Habitat (the Ramsar Convention) 1971. The sites here supplied have a status of 'Proposed' having been identified for potential adoption under the framework.

This data is sourced from Natural England.

10.13 Possible Special Areas of Conservation (pSAC)

Records within 2000m

0

Special Areas of Conservation are areas which have been identified as best representing the range and variety within the European Union of habitats and (non-bird) species listed on Annexes I and II to the Directive. SACs are designated under the EC Habitats Directive. Those sites supplied here are those with a status of 'Possible' having been identified for potential adoption under the framework.

This data is sourced from Natural England and Natural Resources Wales.



10.14 Potential Special Protection Areas (pSPA)

Records within 2000m**0**

Special Protection Areas (SPAs) are areas designated (or 'classified') under the European Union Wild Birds Directive for the protection of nationally and internationally important populations of wild birds. Those sites supplied here are those with a status of 'Potential' having been identified for potential adoption under the framework.

This data is sourced from Natural England.

10.15 Nitrate Sensitive Areas

Records within 2000m**0**

Areas where nitrate concentrations in drinking water sources exceeded or was at risk of exceeding the limit of 50 mg/l set by the 1980 EC Drinking Water Directive. Voluntary agricultural measures as a means of reducing the levels of nitrate were introduced by DEFRA as MAFF, with payments being made to farmers who complied. The scheme was started as a pilot in 1990 in ten areas, later implemented within 32 areas. The scheme was closed to further new entrants in 1998, although existing agreements continued for their full term. All Nitrate Sensitive Areas fell within the areas designated as Nitrate Vulnerable Zones (NVZs) in 1996 under the EC Nitrate Directive (91/676/EEC).

This data is sourced from Natural England.

10.16 Nitrate Vulnerable Zones

Records within 2000m**2**

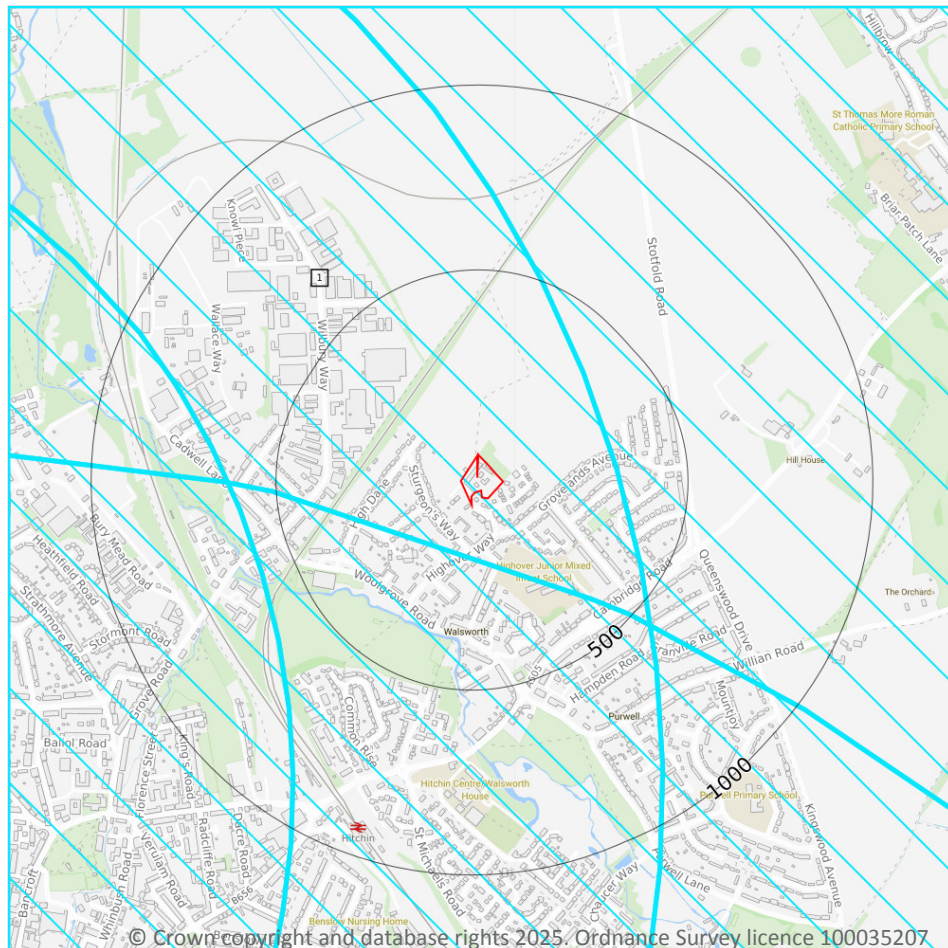
Areas at risk from agricultural nitrate pollution designated under the EC Nitrate Directive (91/676/EEC). These are areas of land that drain into waters polluted by nitrates. Farmers operating within these areas have to follow mandatory rules to tackle nitrate loss from agriculture.

Location	Name	Type	NVZ ID	Status
On site	Great Ouse NVZ	Surface Water	391	Existing
On site	Anglian Chalk	Groundwater	71	Existing

This data is sourced from Natural England and Natural Resources Wales.



SSSI Impact Zones and Units



- Site Outline
- Search buffers in metres (m)
- ▨ SSSI Impact Risk Zones
- SSSI Units
- Not recorded
- Favourable
- Unfavourable - Recovering
- Unfavourable - No change
- Unfavourable - Declining
- Partially destroyed
- Destroyed

10.17 SSSI Impact Risk Zones

Records on site

1

Developed to allow rapid initial assessment of the potential risks to SSSIs posed by development proposals. They define zones around each SSSI which reflect the particular sensitivities of the features for which it is notified and indicate the types of development proposal which could potentially have adverse impacts.

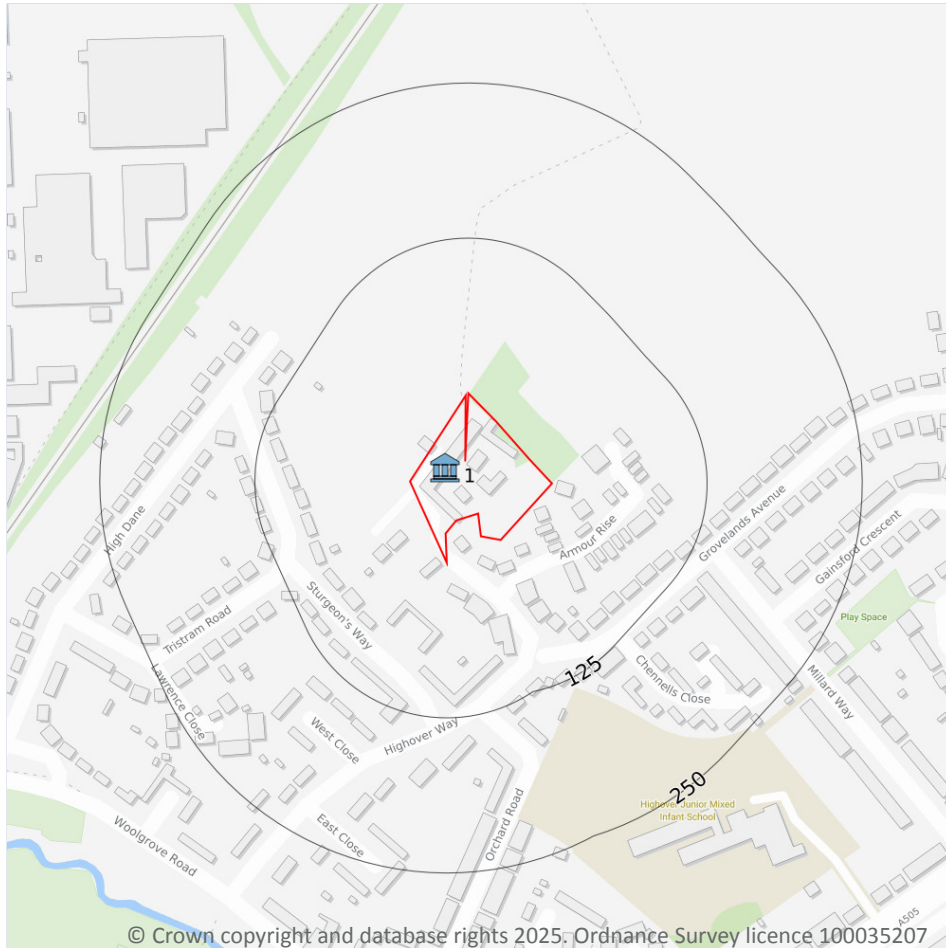
Features are displayed on the SSSI Impact Zones and Units map on [page 62](#) >

ID	Location	Type of developments requiring consultation
1	On site	https://irz.geodata.org.uk/IRZ/step2.html?irzcode=0001000000000&notes=&location=519041,231532%20(IRZ%20polygon%20centre)

This data is sourced from Natural England.



11 Visual and cultural designations



- Site Outline
- Search buffers in metres (m)
- Listed buildings
- Conservation areas
- Conservation areas - no data
- National Parks
- Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty
- Registered parks and gardens
- Scheduled Monuments
- World Heritage Sites

11.1 World Heritage Sites

Records within 250m

0

Sites designated for their globally important cultural or natural interest requiring appropriate management and protection measures. World Heritage Sites are designated to meet the UK's commitments under the World Heritage Convention.

This data is sourced from Historic England, Cadw and Historic Environment Scotland.

11.2 Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty

Records within 250m**0**

Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) are conservation areas, chosen because they represent 18% of the finest countryside. Each AONB has been designated for special attention because of the quality of their flora, fauna, historical and cultural associations, and/or scenic views. The National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act of 1949 created AONBs and the Countryside and Rights of Way Act, 2000 added further regulation and protection. There are likely to be restrictions to some developments within these areas.

This data is sourced from Natural England, Natural Resources Wales and Scottish Natural Heritage.

11.3 National Parks

Records within 250m**0**

In England and Wales, the purpose of National Parks is to conserve and enhance landscapes within the countryside whilst promoting public enjoyment of them and having regard for the social and economic well-being of those living within them. In Scotland National Parks have the additional purpose of promoting the sustainable use of the natural resources of the area and the sustainable social and economic development of its communities. The National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949 established the National Park designation in England and Wales, and The National Parks (Scotland) Act 2000 in Scotland.

This data is sourced from Natural England, Natural Resources Wales and the Scottish Government.

11.4 Listed Buildings

Records within 250m**1**

Buildings listed for their special architectural or historical interest. Building control in the form of 'listed building consent' is required in order to make any changes to that building which might affect its special interest. Listed buildings are graded to indicate their relative importance, however building controls apply to all buildings equally, irrespective of their grade, and apply to the interior and exterior of the building in its entirety, together with any curtilage structures.

Features are displayed on the Visual and cultural designations map on [page 64 >](#)

ID	Location	Name	Grade	Reference Number	Listed date
1	On site	Threshing Barn At Highover Farm	II	1452743	02/05/2018

This data is sourced from Historic England, Cadw and Historic Environment Scotland.



11.5 Conservation Areas

Records within 250m

0

Local planning authorities are obliged to designate as conservation areas any parts of their own area that are of special architectural or historic interest, the character and appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance. Designation of a conservation area gives broader protection than the listing of individual buildings. All the features within the area, listed or otherwise, are recognised as part of its character. Conservation area designation is the means of recognising the importance of all factors and of ensuring that planning decisions address the quality of the landscape in its broadest sense.

This data is sourced from Historic England, Cadw and Historic Environment Scotland.

11.6 Scheduled Ancient Monuments

Records within 250m

0

A scheduled monument is an historic building or site that is included in the Schedule of Monuments kept by the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport. The regime is set out in the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979. The Schedule of Monuments has c.20,000 entries and includes sites such as Roman remains, burial mounds, castles, bridges, earthworks, the remains of deserted villages and industrial sites. Monuments are not graded, but all are, by definition, considered to be of national importance.

This data is sourced from Historic England, Cadw and Historic Environment Scotland.

11.7 Registered Parks and Gardens

Records within 250m

0

Parks and gardens assessed to be of particular interest and of special historic interest. The emphasis being on 'designed' landscapes, rather than on planting or botanical importance. Registration is a 'material consideration' in the planning process, meaning that planning authorities must consider the impact of any proposed development on the special character of the landscape.

This data is sourced from Historic England, Cadw and Historic Environment Scotland.



ID	Location	Classification	Description
1	On site	Grade 2	Very good quality agricultural land. Land with minor limitations which affect crop yield, cultivations or harvesting. A wide range of agricultural and horticultural crops can usually be grown but on some land in the grade there may be reduced flexibility due to difficulties with the production of the more demanding crops such as winter harvested vegetables and arable root crops. The level of yield is generally high but may be lower or more variable than Grade 1.
2	On site	Urban	Non-agricultural/no quality assigned

This data is sourced from Natural England.

12.2 Open Access Land

Records within 250m **0**

The Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 (CROW Act) gives a public right of access to land without having to use paths. Access land includes mountains, moors, heaths and downs that are privately owned. It also includes common land registered with the local council and some land around the England Coast Path. Generally permitted activities on access land are walking, running, watching wildlife and climbing.

This data is sourced from Natural England and Natural Resources Wales.

12.3 Tree Felling Licences

Records within 250m **0**

Felling Licence Application (FLA) areas approved by Forestry Commission England. Anyone wishing to fell trees must ensure that a licence or permission under a grant scheme has been issued by the Forestry Commission before any felling is carried out or that one of the exceptions apply.

This data is sourced from the Forestry Commission.

12.4 Environmental Stewardship Schemes

Records within 250m **0**

Environmental Stewardship covers a range of schemes that provide financial incentives to farmers, foresters and land managers to look after and improve the environment. The schemes identified may be historical schemes that have now expired, or may still be active.

This data is sourced from Natural England.



13 Habitat designations

13.1 Priority Habitat Inventory

Records within 250m

0

Habitats of principal importance as named under Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act (2006) Section 41.

This data is sourced from Natural England.

13.2 Habitat Networks

Records within 250m

0

Habitat networks for 18 priority habitat networks (based primarily, but not exclusively, on the priority habitat inventory) and areas suitable for the expansion of networks through restoration and habitat creation.

This data is sourced from Natural England.

13.3 Open Mosaic Habitat

Records within 250m

0

Sites verified as Open Mosaic Habitat. Mosaic habitats are brownfield sites that are identified under the UK Biodiversity Action Plan as a priority habitat due to the habitat variation within a single site, supporting an array of invertebrates.

This data is sourced from Natural England.

13.4 Limestone Pavement Orders

Records within 250m

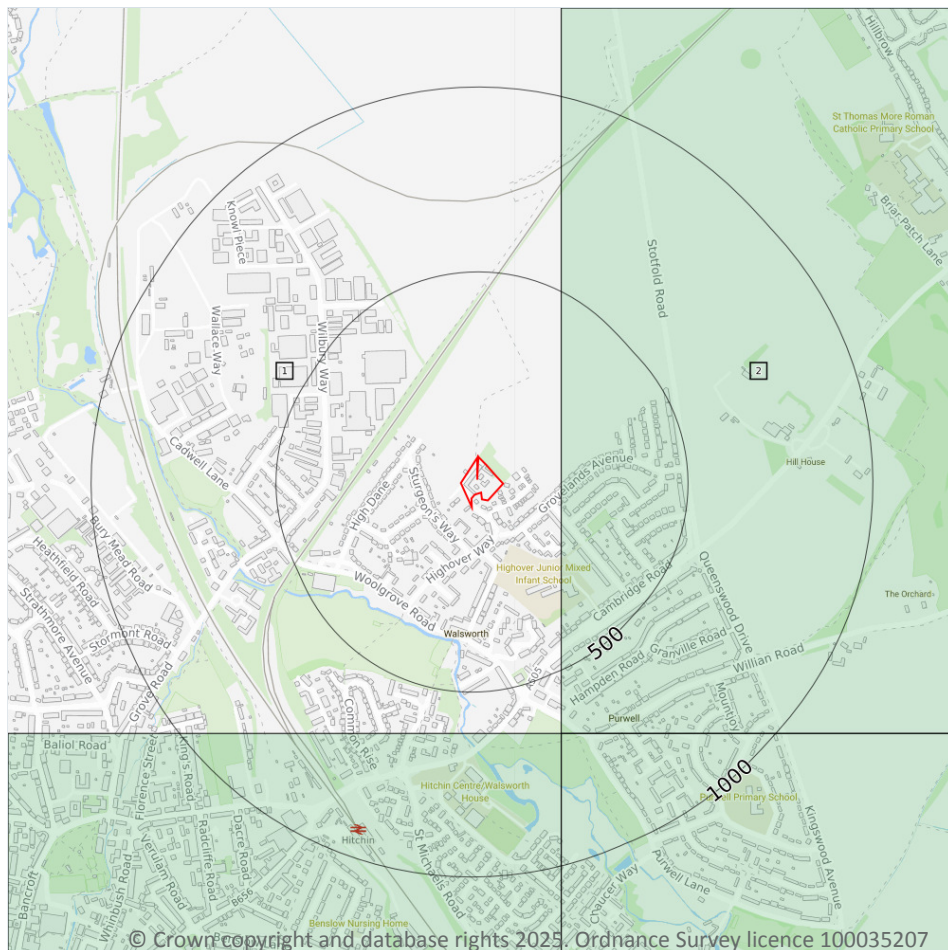
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Limestone pavements are outcrops of limestone where the surface has been worn away by natural means over millennia. These rocks have the appearance of paving blocks, hence their name. Not only do they have geological interest, they also provide valuable habitats for wildlife. These habitats are threatened due to their removal for use in gardens and water features. Many limestone pavements have been designated as SSSIs which affords them some protection. In addition, Section 34 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 gave them additional protection via the creation of Limestone Pavement Orders, which made it a criminal offence to remove any part of the outcrop. The associated Limestone Pavement Priority Habitat is part of the UK Biodiversity Action Plan priority habitat in England.

This data is sourced from Natural England.



14 Geology 1:10,000 scale - Availability



— Site Outline
Search buffers in metres (m)

- Full coverage
- Partial coverage
- No coverage

14.1 10k Availability

Records within 500m

2

An indication on the coverage of 1:10,000 scale geology data for the site, the most detailed dataset provided by the British Geological Survey. Either 'Full', 'Partial' or 'No coverage' for each geological theme.

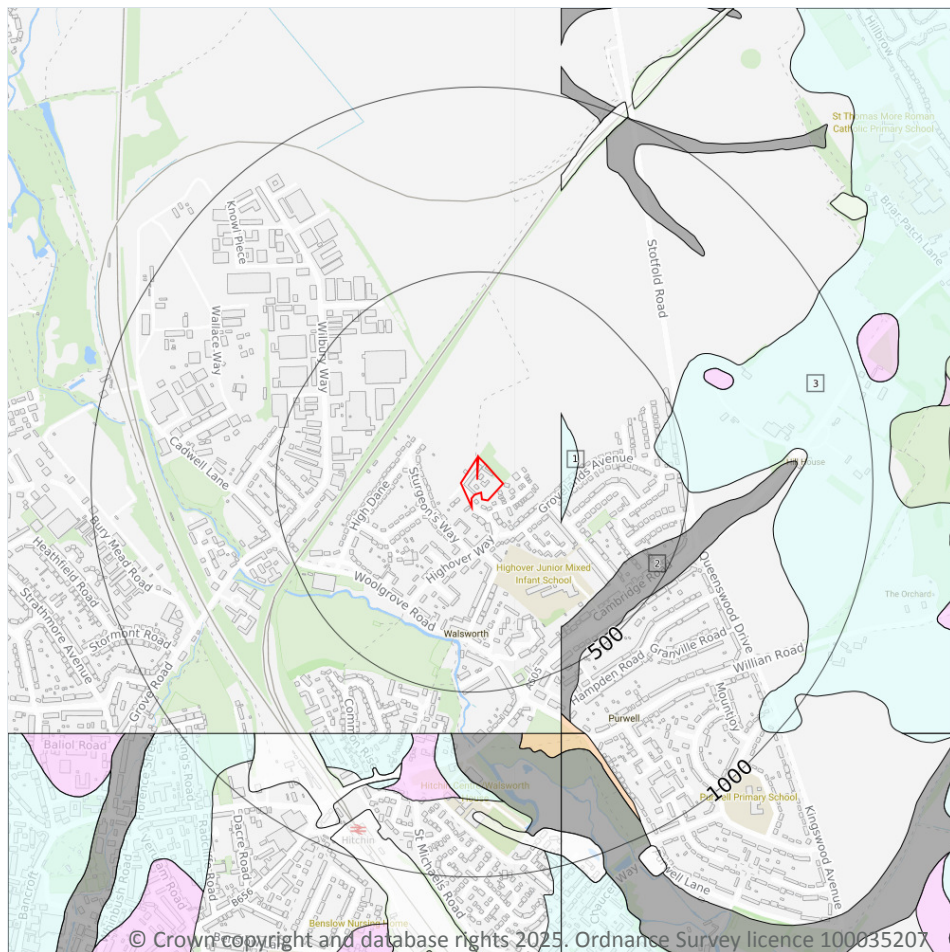
Features are displayed on the Geology 1:10,000 scale - Availability map on [page 71](#) >

ID	Location	Artificial	Superficial	Bedrock	Mass movement	Sheet No.
1	On site	No coverage	No coverage	No coverage	No coverage	NoCov
2	157m E	Full	Full	Full	No coverage	TL23SW

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey.



Geology 1:10,000 scale - Superficial



- Site Outline
- Search buffers in metres (m)
- Landslip (10k)
- Superficial geology (10k)
Please see table for more details.

14.3 Superficial geology (10k)

Records within 500m

3

Superficial geological deposits at 1:10,000 scale. Also known as 'drift', these are the youngest geological deposits, formed during the Quaternary. They rest on older deposits or rocks referred to as bedrock.

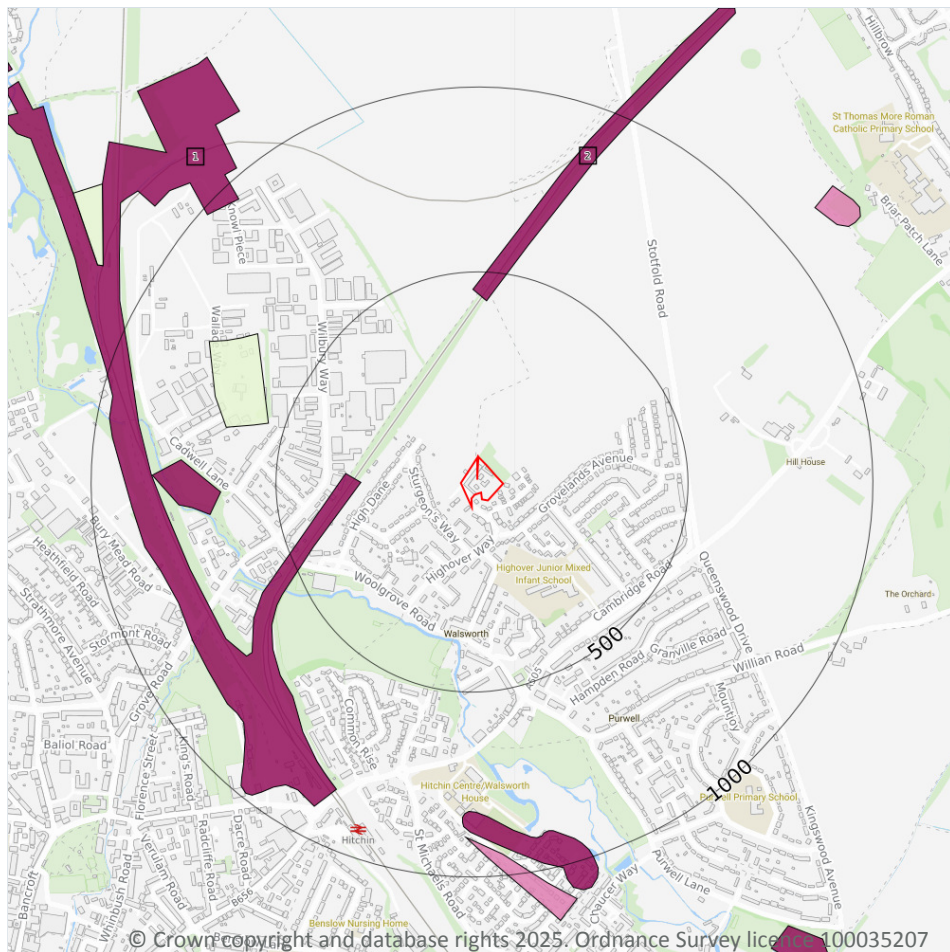
Features are displayed on the Geology 1:10,000 scale - Superficial map on [page 73 >](#)

ID	Location	LEX Code	Description	Rock description
1	157m E	LOFT-DMTN	Lowestoft Formation - Diamicton	Diamicton
2	387m SE	DVY-XCZSV	Dry Valley Deposits - Clay, Silt, Sand And Gravel	Clay, Silt, Sand And Gravel
3	421m E	LOFT-DMTN	Lowestoft Formation - Diamicton	Diamicton

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey.



Geology 1:50,000 scale - Artificial and made ground



- Site Outline
- Search buffers in metres (m)
- Made ground
 - Worked ground
 - Infilled ground
 - Disturbed ground
 - Landscaped ground

15.2 Artificial and made ground (50k)

Records within 500m

2

Details of made, worked, infilled, disturbed and landscaped ground at 1:50,000 scale. Artificial ground can be associated with potentially contaminated material, unpredictable engineering conditions and instability.

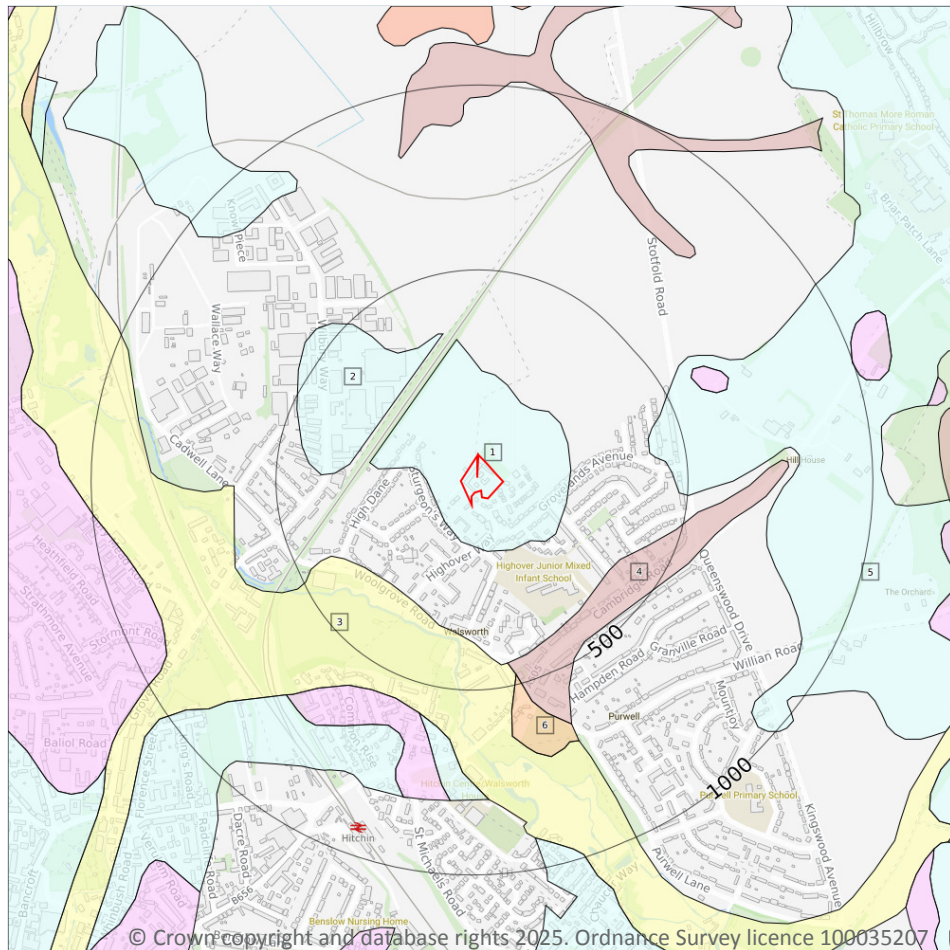
Features are displayed on the Geology 1:50,000 scale - Artificial and made ground map on [page 78](#) >

ID	Location	LEX Code	Description	Rock description
1	270m W	MGR-ARTDP	MADE GROUND (UNDIVIDED)	ARTIFICIAL DEPOSIT
2	422m N	MGR-ARTDP	MADE GROUND (UNDIVIDED)	ARTIFICIAL DEPOSIT

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey.



Geology 1:50,000 scale - Superficial



Site Outline

Search buffers in metres (m)

Landslip (50k)

Superficial geology (50k)
Please see table for more details.

15.4 Superficial geology (50k)

Records within 500m

6

Superficial geological deposits at 1:50,000 scale. Also known as 'drift', these are the youngest geological deposits, formed during the Quaternary. They rest on older deposits or rocks referred to as bedrock.

Features are displayed on the Geology 1:50,000 scale - Superficial map on [page 80](#) >

ID	Location	LEX Code	Description	Rock description
1	On site	LOFT-DMTN	LOWESTOFT FORMATION	DIAMICTON
2	267m NW	LOFT-DMTN	LOWESTOFT FORMATION	DIAMICTON
3	302m SW	ALV-XCZSV	ALLUVIUM	CLAY, SILT, SAND AND GRAVEL



ID	Location	LEX Code	Description	Rock description
4	374m SE	HEAD-XCZSV	HEAD	CLAY, SILT, SAND AND GRAVEL
5	404m E	LOFT-DMTN	LOWESTOFT FORMATION	DIAMICTON
6	473m S	RTDU-XSV	RIVER TERRACE DEPOSITS (UNDIFFERENTIATED)	SAND AND GRAVEL

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey.

15.5 Superficial permeability (50k)

Records within 50m

1

A qualitative classification of estimated rates of vertical movement of water from the ground surface through the unsaturated zone of any superficial deposits (the zone between the land surface and the water table).

Location	Flow type	Maximum permeability	Minimum permeability
On site	Mixed	Moderate	Low

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey.

15.6 Landslip (50k)

Records within 500m

0

Mass movement deposits on BGS geological maps at 1:50,000 scale. Primarily superficial deposits that have moved down slope under gravity to form landslips. These affect bedrock, other superficial deposits and artificial ground.

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey.

15.7 Landslip permeability (50k)

Records within 50m

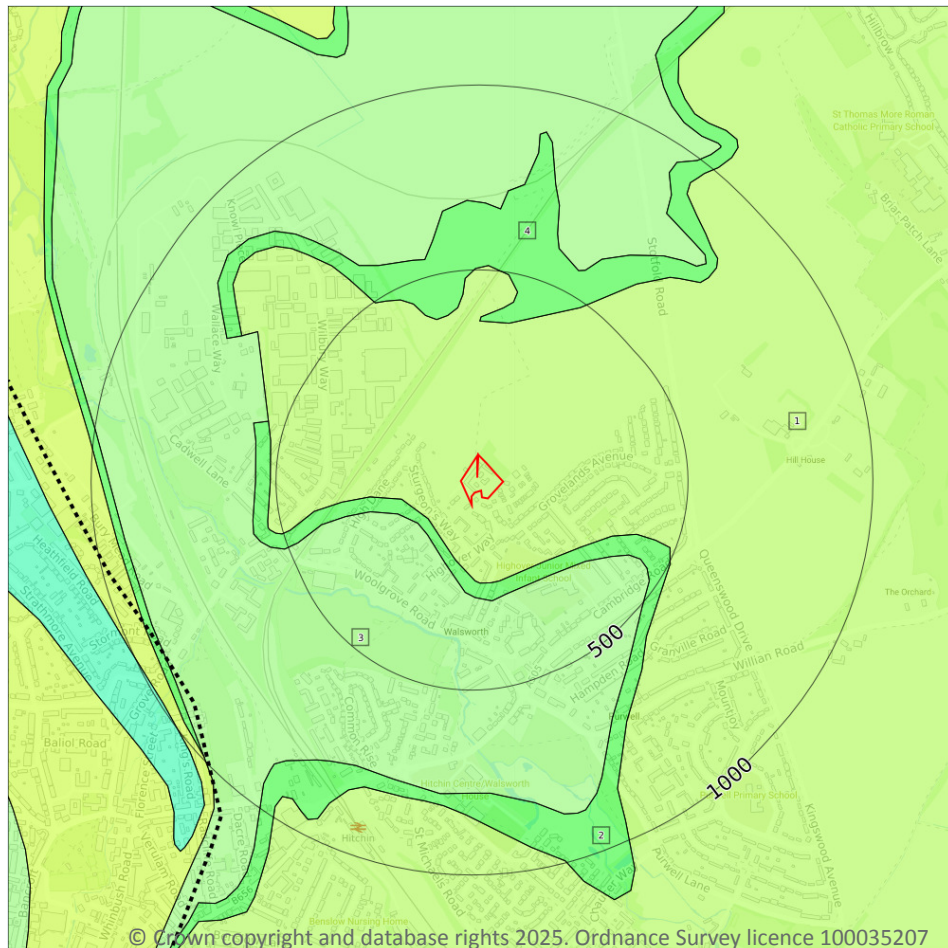
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A qualitative classification of estimated rates of vertical movement of water from the ground surface through the unsaturated zone of any landslip deposits (the zone between the land surface and the water table).

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey.



Geology 1:50,000 scale - Bedrock



— Site Outline

Search buffers in metres (m)

.... Bedrock faults and other linear features (50k)

Bedrock geology (50k)
Please see table for more details.

15.8 Bedrock geology (50k)

Records within 500m

4

Bedrock geology at 1:50,000 scale. The main mass of rocks forming the Earth and present everywhere, whether exposed at the surface in outcrops or concealed beneath superficial deposits or water.

Features are displayed on the Geology 1:50,000 scale - Bedrock map on [page 82 >](#)

ID	Location	LEX Code	Description	Rock age
1	On site	HNCK-CHLK	HOLYWELL NODULAR CHALK FORMATION AND NEW PIT CHALK FORMATION (UNDIFFERENTIATED) - CHALK	CENOMANIAN
2	119m SW	MR-CHLK	MELBOURN ROCK MEMBER - CHALK	CENOMANIAN
3	144m SW	ZZCH-CHLK	ZIG ZAG CHALK FORMATION - CHALK	CENOMANIAN



ID	Location	LEX Code	Description	Rock age
4	361m N	MR-CHLK	MELBOURN ROCK MEMBER - CHALK	CENOMANIAN

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey.

15.9 Bedrock permeability (50k)

Records within 50m	1
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A qualitative classification of estimated rates of vertical movement of water from the ground surface through the unsaturated zone of bedrock (the zone between the land surface and the water table).

Location	Flow type	Maximum permeability	Minimum permeability
On site	Fracture	Very High	Very High

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey.

15.10 Bedrock faults and other linear features (50k)

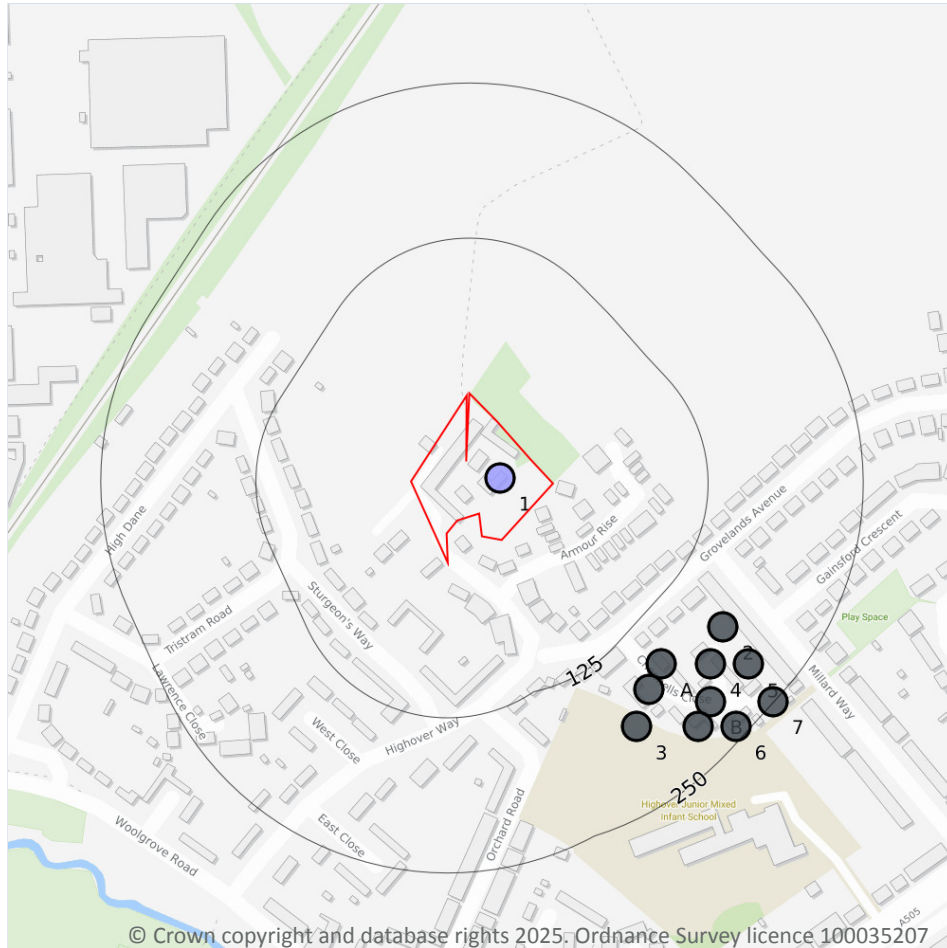
Records within 500m	0
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Linear features at the ground or bedrock surface at 1:50,000 scale of six main types; rock, fault, fold axis, mineral vein, alteration area or landform. Features are either observed or inferred, and relate primarily to bedrock.

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey.



16 Boreholes



- Site Outline**
- Search buffers in metres (m)**
- Confidential
 - 0 - 10m
 - 10 - 30m
 - 30m+
 - Unknown

16.1 BGS Boreholes

Records within 250m

11

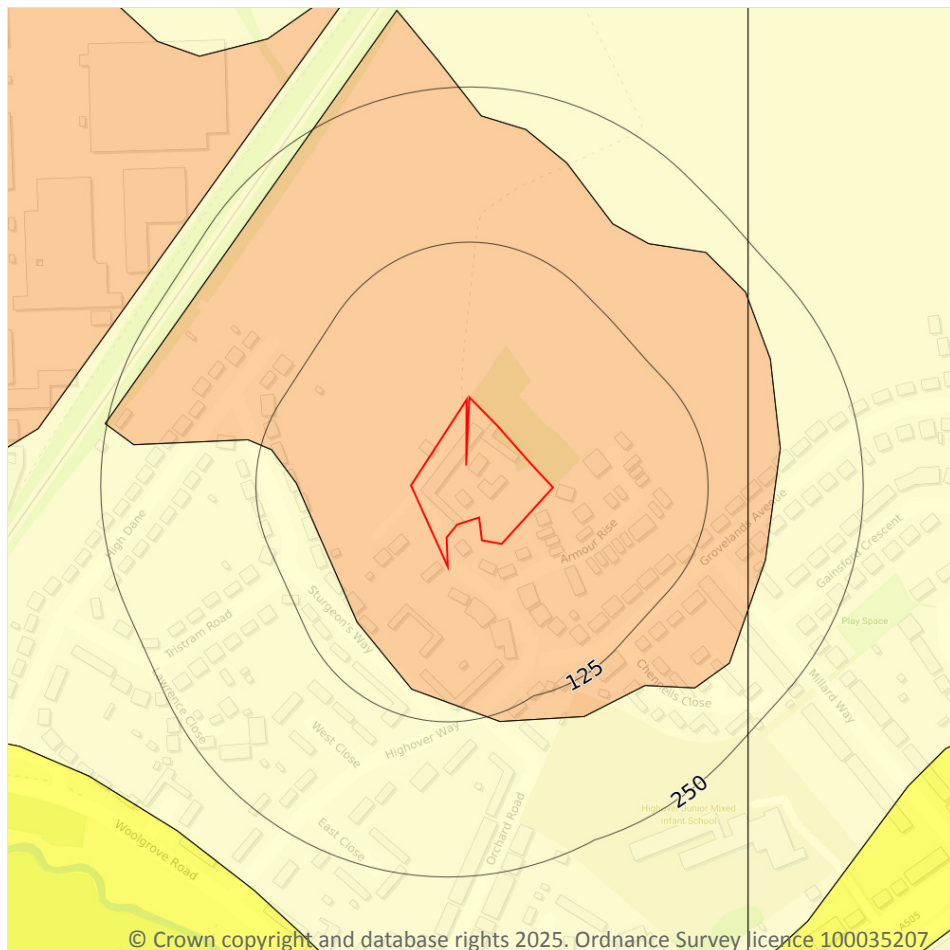
The Single Onshore Boreholes Index (SOBI); an index of over one million records of boreholes, shafts and wells from all forms of drilling and site investigation work held by the British Geological Survey. Covering onshore and nearshore boreholes dating back to at least 1790 and ranging from one to several thousand metres deep.

Features are displayed on the Boreholes map on [page 84](#) >

ID	Location	Grid reference	Name	Length	Confidential	Web link
1	On site	519800 230680	HIGHOVER FARM HITCHIN	4.87	N	528987 ↗
A	162m SE	519930 230530	GROVELANDS AVENUE HITCHIN TP 7	-	Y	N/A
A	169m SE	519920 230510	GROVELANDS AVENUE HITCHIN TP 8	-	Y	N/A



17 Natural ground subsidence - Shrink swell clays



- Site Outline
- Search buffers in metres (m)
- ☐ No data
 - ☐ Negligible
 - ☐ Very low
 - ☐ Low
 - ☐ Moderate
 - ☐ High

17.1 Shrink swell clays

Records within 50m

1

The potential hazard presented by soils that absorb water when wet (making them swell), and lose water as they dry (making them shrink). This shrink-swell behaviour is controlled by the type and amount of clay in the soil, and by seasonal changes in the soil moisture content (related to rainfall and local drainage).

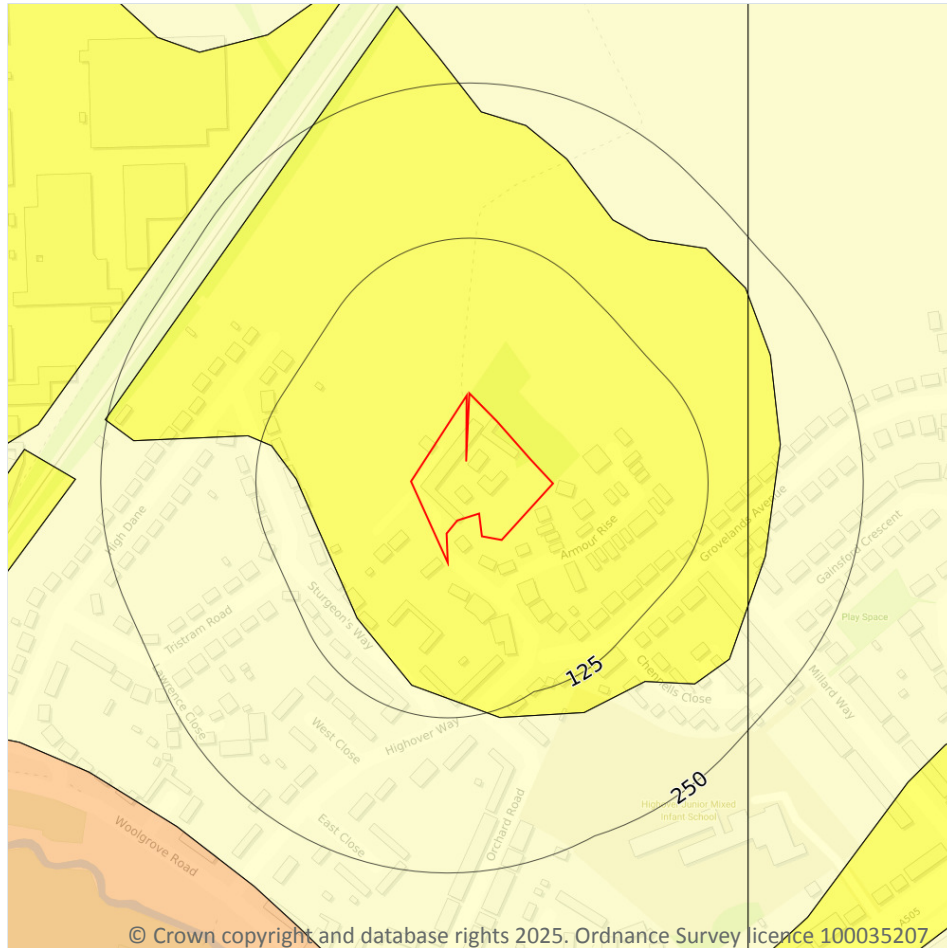
Features are displayed on the Natural ground subsidence - Shrink swell clays map on [page 86](#) >

Location	Hazard rating	Details
On site	Low	Ground conditions predominantly medium plasticity.

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey.



Natural ground subsidence - Running sands



- Site Outline
- Search buffers in metres (m)
- ☐ No data
 - ☐ Negligible
 - ☒ Very low
 - ☐ Low
 - ☐ Moderate
 - ☐ High

17.2 Running sands

Records within 50m

1

The potential hazard presented by rocks that can contain loosely-packed sandy layers that can become fluidised by water flowing through them. Such sands can 'run', removing support from overlying buildings and causing potential damage.

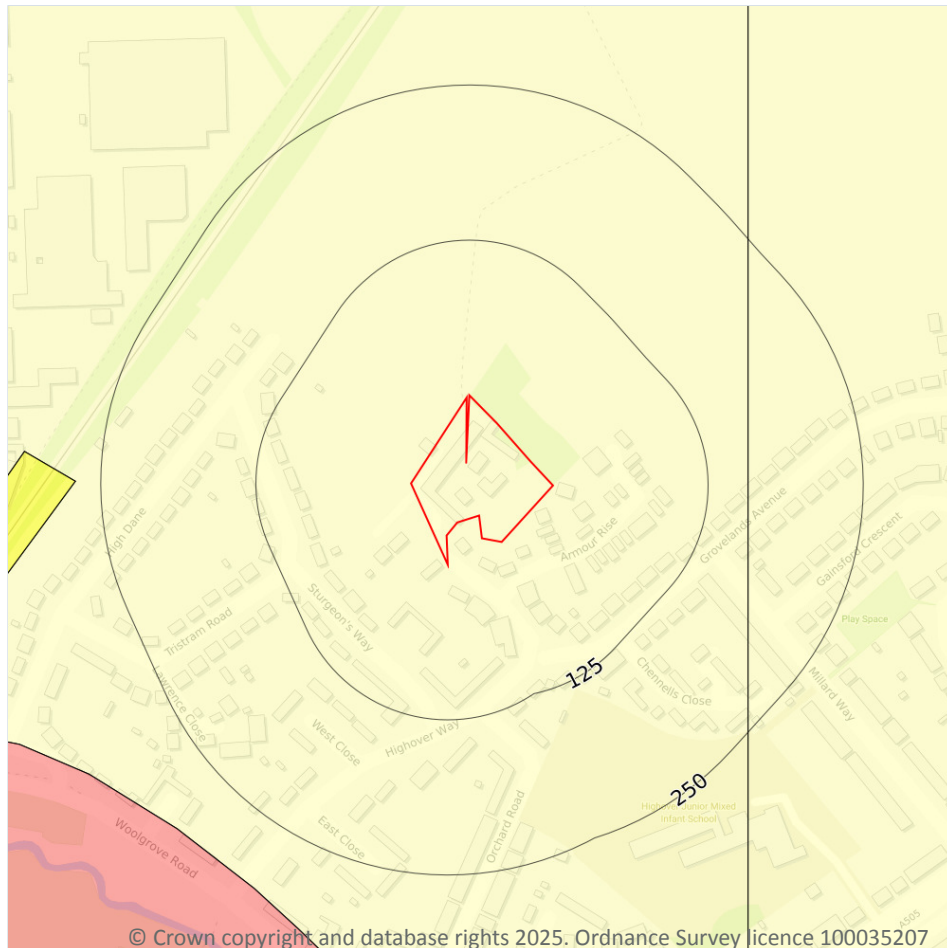
Features are displayed on the Natural ground subsidence - Running sands map on [page 87](#) >

Location	Hazard rating	Details
On site	Very low	Running sand conditions are unlikely. No identified constraints on land use due to running conditions unless water table rises rapidly.

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey.



Natural ground subsidence - Compressible deposits



- Site Outline
- Search buffers in metres (m)
- ☐ No data
 - ☐ Negligible
 - ☐ Very low
 - ☐ Low
 - ☐ Moderate
 - ☐ High

17.3 Compressible deposits

Records within 50m

1

The potential hazard presented by types of ground that may contain layers of very soft materials like clay or peat and may compress if loaded by overlying structures, or if the groundwater level changes, potentially resulting in depression of the ground and disturbance of foundations.

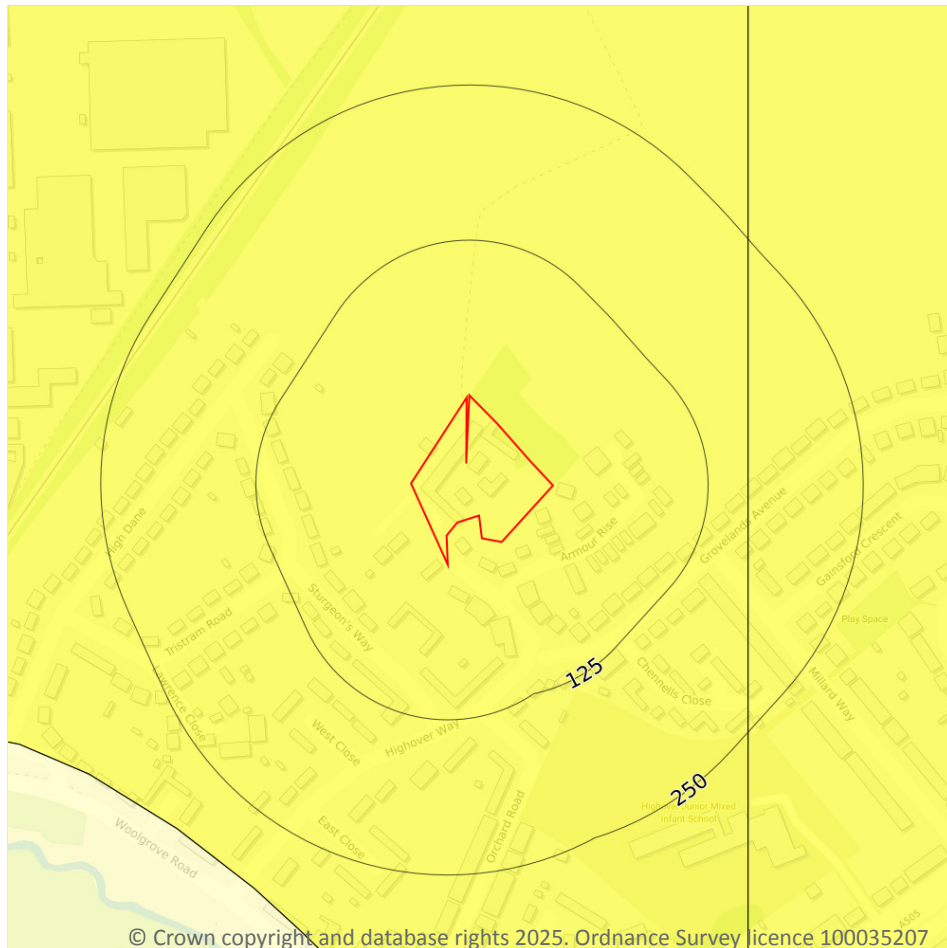
Features are displayed on the Natural ground subsidence - Compressible deposits map on [page 88](#) >

Location	Hazard rating	Details
On site	Negligible	Compressible strata are not thought to occur.

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey.



Natural ground subsidence - Collapsible deposits



- Site Outline
- Search buffers in metres (m)
- ☐ No data
 - ☐ Negligible
 - ☐ Very low
 - ☐ Low
 - ☐ Moderate
 - ☐ High

17.4 Collapsible deposits

Records within 50m

1

The potential hazard presented by natural deposits that could collapse when a load (such as a building) is placed on them or they become saturated with water.

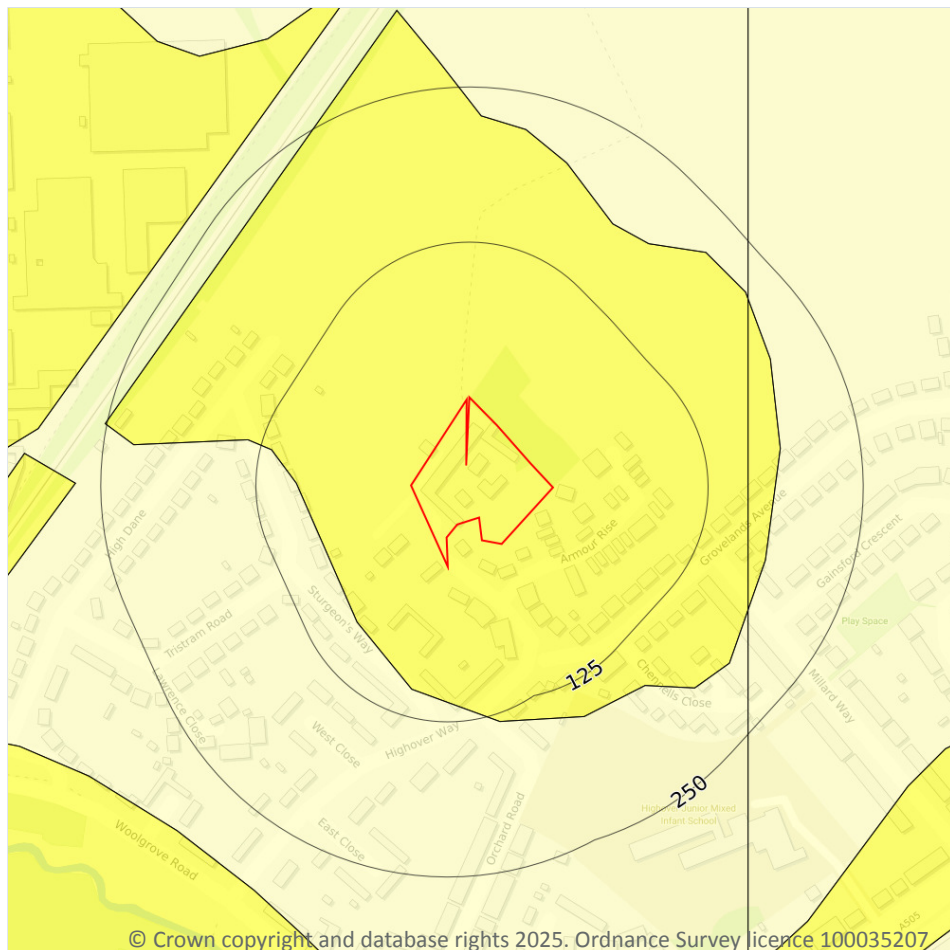
Features are displayed on the Natural ground subsidence - Collapsible deposits map on [page 89](#) >

Location	Hazard rating	Details
On site	Very low	Deposits with potential to collapse when loaded and saturated are unlikely to be present.

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey.



Natural ground subsidence - Landslides



- Site Outline
- Search buffers in metres (m)
- ☐ No data
 - ☐ Negligible
 - ☒ Very low
 - ☐ Low
 - ☐ Moderate
 - ☐ High

17.5 Landslides

Records within 50m

1

The potential for landsliding (slope instability) to be a hazard assessed using 1:50,000 scale digital maps of superficial and bedrock deposits, combined with information from the BGS National Landslide Database and scientific and engineering reports.

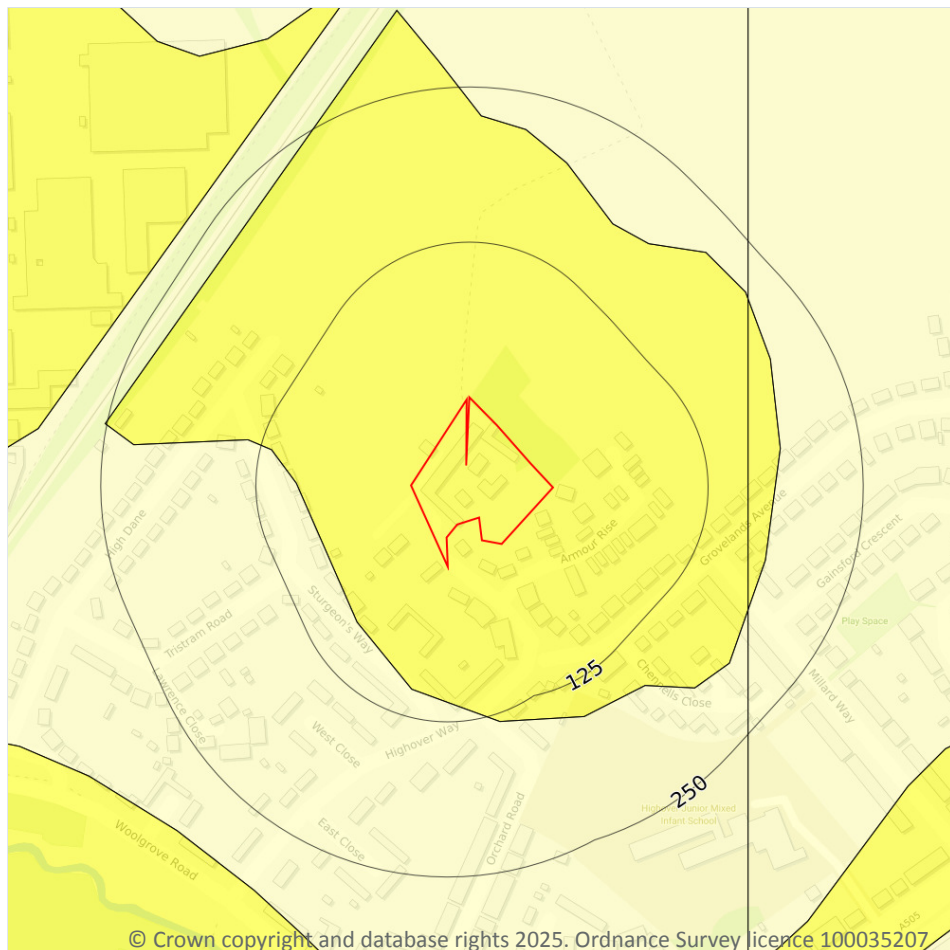
Features are displayed on the Natural ground subsidence - Landslides map on [page 90](#) >

Location	Hazard rating	Details
On site	Very low	Slope instability problems are not likely to occur but consideration to potential problems of adjacent areas impacting on the site should always be considered.

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey.



Natural ground subsidence - Ground dissolution of soluble rocks



- Site Outline
- Search buffers in metres (m)
- ☐ No data
 - ☐ Negligible
 - ☒ Very low
 - ☐ Low
 - ☐ Moderate
 - ☐ High

17.6 Ground dissolution of soluble rocks

Records within 50m

1

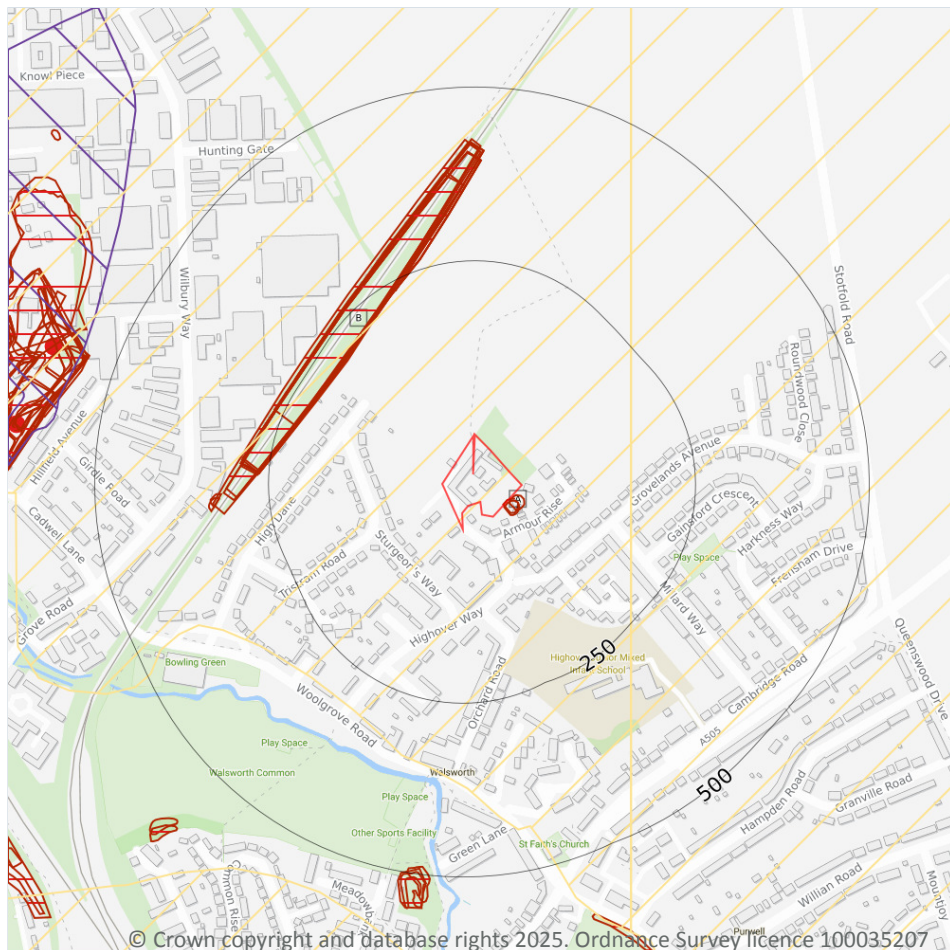
The potential hazard presented by ground dissolution, which occurs when water passing through soluble rocks produces underground cavities and cave systems. These cavities reduce support to the ground above and can cause localised collapse of the overlying rocks and deposits.

Features are displayed on the Natural ground subsidence - Ground dissolution of soluble rocks map on [page 91](#)

Location	Hazard rating	Details
On site	Very low	Soluble rocks are present within the ground. Few dissolution features are likely to be present. Potential for difficult ground conditions or localised subsidence are at a level where they need not be considered.



18 Mining and ground workings



- Site Outline
- Search buffers in metres (m)
- BritPits
- ▭ Surface ground workings
- ▭ Underground workings
- ▭ Underground mining extents
- ▭ Historical mineral planning areas
- ▭ TCA non-coal mining
- Non Coal Mining
- ▭ Sporadic underground mining of restricted extent possible
- ▭ Localised small scale underground mining possible
- ▭ Small scale mining possible
- ▭ Underground mining known or likely within or in close proximity
- ▭ Underground mining known within or in very close proximity

18.1 BritPits

Records within 500m

0

BritPits (an abbreviation of British Pits) is a database maintained by the British Geological Survey of currently active and closed surface and underground mineral workings. Details of major mineral handling sites, such as wharfs and rail depots are also held in the database.

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey.



18.2 Surface ground workings

Records within 250m

17

Historical land uses identified from Ordnance Survey mapping that involved ground excavation at the surface. These features may or may not have been subsequently backfilled.

Features are displayed on the Mining and ground workings map on [page 93](#) >

ID	Location	Land Use	Year of mapping	Mapping scale
A	On site	Unspecified Pit	1887	1:10560
A	2m SE	Unspecified Pit	1884	1:10560
A	2m SE	Unspecified Pit	1888	1:10560
B	211m NW	Cuttings	1960	1:10560
B	213m NW	Cuttings	1938	1:10560
B	213m NW	Cuttings	1938	1:10560
B	213m NW	Cuttings	1938	1:10560
B	213m NW	Cuttings	1938	1:10560
B	214m NW	Cuttings	1899	1:10560
B	215m NW	Cuttings	1938	1:10560
B	215m NW	Cuttings	1887	1:10560
B	215m NW	Cuttings	1948	1:10560
B	215m NW	Cuttings	1921	1:10560
B	215m NW	Cuttings	1899	1:10560
B	216m NW	Cuttings	1982	1:10000
B	217m NW	Cuttings	1884	1:10560
B	218m NW	Cuttings	1888	1:10560

This data is sourced from Ordnance Survey/Groundsure.

18.3 Underground workings

Records within 1000m

0

Historical land uses identified from Ordnance Survey mapping that indicate the presence of underground workings e.g. mine shafts.

This data is sourced from Ordnance Survey/Groundsure.



18.4 Underground mining extents

Records within 500m

0

This data identifies underground mine workings that could present a potential risk, including adits and seam workings. These features have been identified from BGS Geological mapping and mine plans sourced from the BGS and various collections and sources.

This data is sourced from Groundsure.

18.5 Historical Mineral Planning Areas

Records within 500m

0

Boundaries of mineral planning permissions for England and Wales. This data was collated between the 1940s (and retrospectively to the 1930s) and the mid 1980s. The data includes permitted, withdrawn and refused permissions.

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey.

18.6 Non-coal mining

Records within 1000m

6

The potential for historical non-coal mining to have affected an area. The assessment is drawn from expert knowledge and literature in addition to the digital geological map of Britain. Mineral commodities may be divided into seven general categories - vein minerals, chalk, oil shale, building stone, bedded ores, evaporites and 'other' commodities (including ball clay, jet, black marble, graphite and chert).

Features are displayed on the Mining and ground workings map on [page 93](#) >

ID	Location	Name	Commodity	Class	Likelihood
1	On site	Not available	Chalk	A	Underground mine workings are uncommon, although the geology is similar to that worked elsewhere. Potential for difficult ground conditions are unlikely and are at a level where they need not be considered.
2	157m E	Not available	Chalk	A	Underground mine workings are uncommon, although the geology is similar to that worked elsewhere. Potential for difficult ground conditions are unlikely and are at a level where they need not be considered.
4	561m S	Not available	Chalk	A	Underground mine workings are uncommon, although the geology is similar to that worked elsewhere. Potential for difficult ground conditions are unlikely and are at a level where they need not be considered.



ID	Location	Name	Commodity	Class	Likelihood
6	617m S	Not available	Chalk	A	Underground mine workings are uncommon, although the geology is similar to that worked elsewhere. Potential for difficult ground conditions are unlikely and are at a level where they need not be considered.
7	672m SE	Not available	Chalk	A	Underground mine workings are uncommon, although the geology is similar to that worked elsewhere. Potential for difficult ground conditions are unlikely and are at a level where they need not be considered.
-	951m S	Not available	Chalk	A	Underground mine workings are uncommon, although the geology is similar to that worked elsewhere. Potential for difficult ground conditions are unlikely and are at a level where they need not be considered.

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey.

18.7 JPB mining areas

Records on site

0

Areas which could be affected by former coal and other mining. This data includes some mine plans unavailable to the Coal Authority.

This data is sourced from Johnson Poole and Bloomer.

18.8 The Coal Authority non-coal mining

Records within 500m

0

This data provides an indication of the potential zone of influence of recorded underground non-coal mining workings. Any and all analysis and interpretation of Coal Authority Data in this report is made by Groundsure, and is in no way supported, endorsed or authorised by the Coal Authority. The use of the data is restricted to the terms and provisions contained in this report. Data reproduced in this report may be the copyright of the Coal Authority and permission should be sought from Groundsure prior to any re-use.

This data is sourced from The Coal Authority.

18.9 Researched mining

Records within 500m

0

This data indicates areas of potential mining identified from alternative or archival sources, including; BGS Geological paper maps, Lidar data, aerial photographs (from World War II onwards), archaeological data services, websites, Tithe maps, and various text/plans from collected books and reports. Some of this data is approximate and Groundsure have interpreted the resultant risk area and, where possible, specific areas of risk have been captured.



This data is sourced from Groundsure.

18.10 Mining record office plans

Records within 500m

0

This dataset is representative of Mining Record Office and/or plan extents held by Groundsure and should be considered approximate. Where possible, plans have been located and any specific areas of risk they depict have been captured.

This data is sourced from Groundsure.

18.11 BGS mine plans

Records within 500m

0

This dataset is representative of BGS mine plans held by Groundsure and should be considered approximate. Where possible, plans have been located and any specific areas of risk they depict have been captured.

This data is sourced from Groundsure.

18.12 Coal mining

Records on site

0

Areas which could be affected by past, current or future coal mining.

This data is sourced from the Coal Authority.

18.13 Brine areas

Records on site

0

The Cheshire Brine Compensation District indicates areas that may be affected by salt and brine extraction in Cheshire and where compensation would be available where damage from this mining has occurred. Damage from salt and brine mining can still occur outside this district, but no compensation will be available.

This data is sourced from the Cheshire Brine Subsidence Compensation Board.

18.14 Gypsum areas

Records on site

0

Generalised areas that may be affected by gypsum extraction.

This data is sourced from British Gypsum.



18.15 Tin mining

Records on site	0
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Generalised areas that may be affected by historical tin mining.

This data is sourced from Groundsure.

18.16 Clay mining

Records on site	0
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Generalised areas that may be affected by kaolin and ball clay extraction.

This data is sourced from the Kaolin and Ball Clay Association (UK).



19 Ground cavities and sinkholes

19.1 Natural cavities

Records within 500m

0

Industry recognised national database of natural cavities. Sinkholes and caves are formed by the dissolution of soluble rock, such as chalk and limestone, gulls and fissures by cambering. Ground instability can result from movement of loose material contained within these cavities, often triggered by water.

This data is sourced from Stantec UK Ltd.

19.2 Mining cavities

Records within 1000m

0

Industry recognised national database of mining cavities. Degraded mines may result in hazardous subsidence (crown holes). Climatic conditions and water escape can also trigger subsidence over mine entrances and workings.

This data is sourced from Stantec UK Ltd.

19.3 Reported recent incidents

Records within 500m

0

This data identifies sinkhole information gathered from media reports and Groundsure's own records. This data goes back to 2014 and includes relative accuracy ratings for each event and links to the original data sources. The data is updated on a regular basis and should not be considered a comprehensive catalogue of all sinkhole events. The absence of data in this database does not mean a sinkhole definitely has not occurred during this time.

This data is sourced from Groundsure.

19.4 Historical incidents

Records within 500m

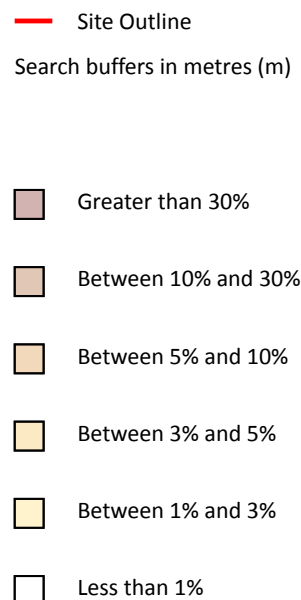
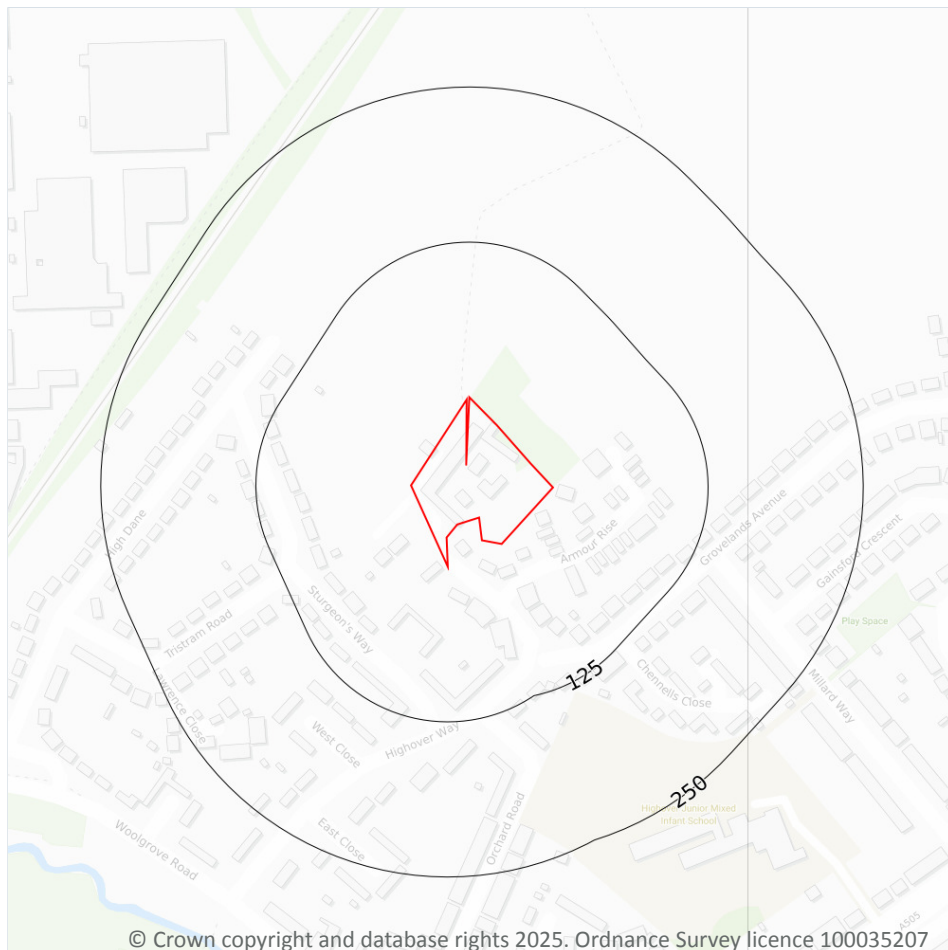
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This dataset comprises an extract of 1:10,560, 1:10,000, 1:2,500 and 1:1,250 scale historical Ordnance Survey maps held by Groundsure, dating back to the 1840s. It shows shakeholes, deneholes and other 'holes' as noted on these maps. Dene holes are medieval chalk extraction pits, usually comprising a narrow shaft with a number of chambers at the base of the shaft. Shakeholes are an alternative name for suffusion sinkholes, most commonly found in the limestone landscapes of North Yorkshire but also extensively noted around the Brecon Beacons National Park.

Not all 'holes' noted on Ordnance Survey mapping will necessarily be present within this dataset.



20 Radon



20.1 Radon

Records on site

1

The Radon Potential data classifies areas based on their likelihood of a property having a radon level at or above the Action Level in Great Britain. The dataset is intended for use at 1:50,000 scale and was derived from both geological assessments and indoor radon measurements (more than 560,000 records). A minimum 50m buffer should be considered when searching the maps, as the smallest detectable feature at this scale is 50m. The findings of this section should supersede any estimations derived from the Indicative Atlas of Radon in Great Britain (1:100,000 scale).

Features are displayed on the Radon map on [page 101](#) >

Location	Estimated properties affected	Radon Protection Measures required
On site	Less than 1%	None



21 Soil chemistry

21.1 BGS Estimated Background Soil Chemistry

Records within 50m

1

The estimated values provide the likely background concentration of the potentially harmful elements Arsenic, Cadmium, Chromium, Lead and Nickel in topsoil. The values are estimated primarily from rural topsoil data collected at a sample density of approximately 1 per 2 km². In areas where rural soil samples are not available, estimation is based on stream sediment data collected from small streams at a sampling density of 1 per 2.5 km²; this is the case for most of Scotland, Wales and southern England. The stream sediment data are converted to soil-equivalent concentrations prior to the estimation.

Location	Arsenic	Bioaccessible Arsenic	Lead	Bioaccessible Lead	Cadmium	Chromium	Nickel
On site	15 - 25 mg/kg	No data	100 mg/kg	60 mg/kg	1.8 mg/kg	60 - 90 mg/kg	30 - 45 mg/kg

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey.

21.2 BGS Estimated Urban Soil Chemistry

Records within 50m

0

Estimated topsoil chemistry of Arsenic, Cadmium, Chromium, Copper, Nickel, Lead, Tin and Zinc and bioaccessible Arsenic and Lead in 23 urban centres across Great Britain. These estimates are derived from interpolation of the measured urban topsoil data referred to above and provide information across each city between the measured sample locations (4 per km²).

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey.

21.3 BGS Measured Urban Soil Chemistry

Records within 50m

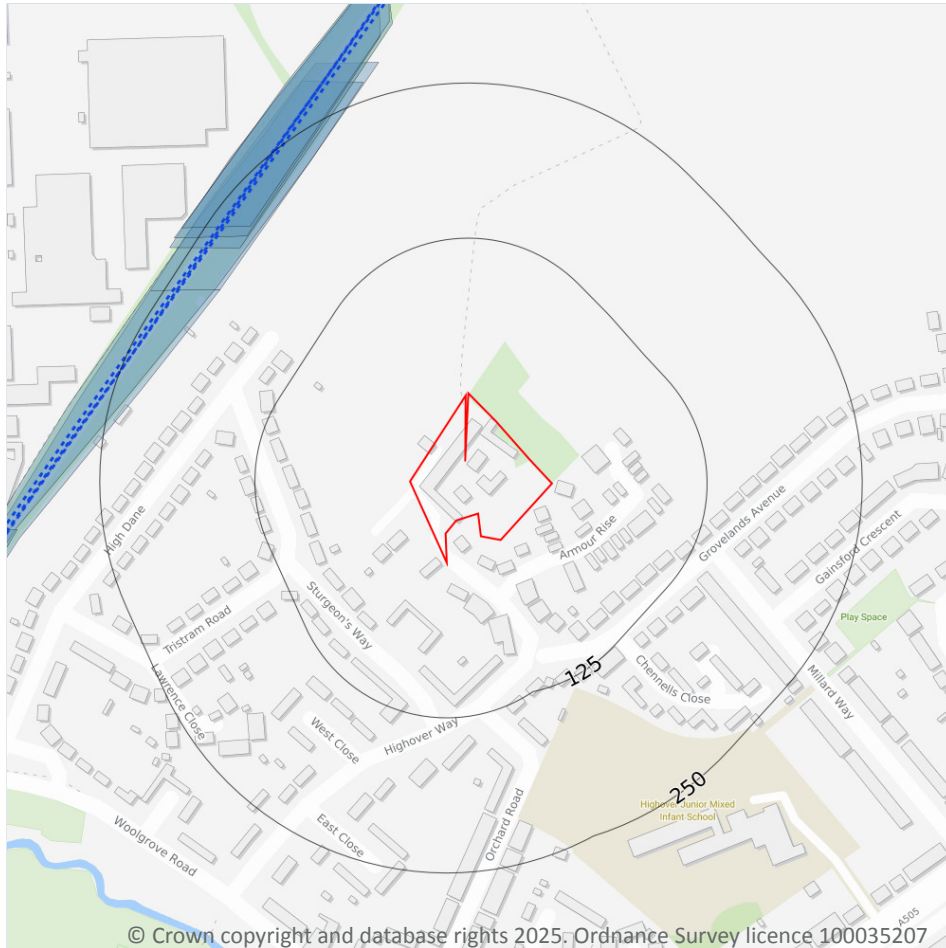
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The locations and measured total concentrations (mg/kg) of Arsenic, Cadmium, Chromium, Copper, Nickel, Lead, Tin and Zinc in urban topsoil samples from 23 urban centres across Great Britain. These are collected at a sample density of 4 per km².

This data is sourced from the British Geological Survey.



22 Railway infrastructure and projects



- Site Outline
- Search buffers in metres (m)
- C2 Crossrail 2 Stations
- Crossrail 2 Route
- Crossrail 2 Worksites
- Crossrail 2 Safeguarding
- Crossrail 2 Headhouses
- Railway stations
- Active railways
- Active tunnels
- Abandoned railways
- Historic railways
- Historic tunnels
- Underground stations
- Underground Lines
- Royal Mail tunnels
- HS2 optimised route
- HS2 Stations
- HS2 Depots
- HS2 Surface Safeguarding
- HS2 Subsurface Safeguarding

22.1 Underground railways (London)

Records within 250m

0

Details of all active London Underground lines, including approximate tunnel roof depth and operational hours.

This data is sourced from publicly available information by Groundsure.

22.2 Underground railways (Non-London)

Records within 250m

0

Details of the Merseyrail system, the Tyne and Wear Metro and the Glasgow Subway. Not all parts of all systems are located underground. The data contains location information only and does not include a depth assessment.



This data is sourced from publicly available information by Groundsure.

22.3 Railway tunnels

Records within 250m

0

Railway tunnels taken from contemporary Ordnance Survey mapping.

This data is sourced from the Ordnance Survey.

22.4 Historical railway and tunnel features

Records within 250m

6

Railways and tunnels digitised from historical Ordnance Survey mapping as scales of 1:1,250, 1:2,500, 1:10,000 and 1:10,560.

Features are displayed on the Railway infrastructure and projects map on [page 104 >](#)

Location	Land Use	Year of mapping	Mapping scale
211m NW	Railway	1939	-
213m NW	Railway	1939	-
213m NW	Railway	1898	-
217m NW	Railway	1939	-
218m NW	Railway	1898	-
221m NW	Railway	1881	-

This data is sourced from Ordnance Survey/Groundsure.

22.5 Royal Mail tunnels

Records within 250m

0

The Post Office Railway, otherwise known as the Mail Rail, is an underground railway running through Central London from Paddington Head District Sorting Office to Whitechapel Eastern Head Sorting Office. The line is 10.5km long. The data includes details of the full extent of the tunnels, the depth of the tunnel, and the depth to track level.

This data is sourced from Groundsure/the Postal Museum.



22.6 Historical railways

Records within 250m

0

Former railway lines, including dismantled lines, abandoned lines, disused lines, historic railways and razed lines.

This data is sourced from OpenStreetMap.

22.7 Railways

Records within 250m

3

Currently existing railway lines, including standard railways, narrow gauge, funicular, trams and light railways. Features are displayed on the Railway infrastructure and projects map on [page 104 >](#)

Location	Name	Type
238m NW	Hitchin-Cambridge Line	rail
239m NW	Not given	Multi Track
241m NW	Hitchin-Cambridge Line	rail

This data is sourced from Ordnance Survey and OpenStreetMap.

22.8 Crossrail 2

Records within 500m

0

Crossrail 2 is a proposed railway linking the national rail networks in Surrey and Hertfordshire via an underground tunnel through London.

This data is sourced from publicly available information by Groundsure.

22.9 HS2

Records within 500m

0

HS2 is a proposed high speed rail network running from London to Manchester and Leeds via Birmingham. Main civils construction on Phase 1 (London to Birmingham) of the project began in 2019, and it is currently anticipated that this phase will be fully operational by 2026. Construction on Phase 2a (Birmingham to Crewe) is anticipated to commence in 2021, with the service fully operational by 2027. Construction on Phase 2b (Crewe to Manchester and Birmingham to Leeds) is scheduled to begin in 2023 and be operational by 2033.

This data is sourced from HS2 Ltd.



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