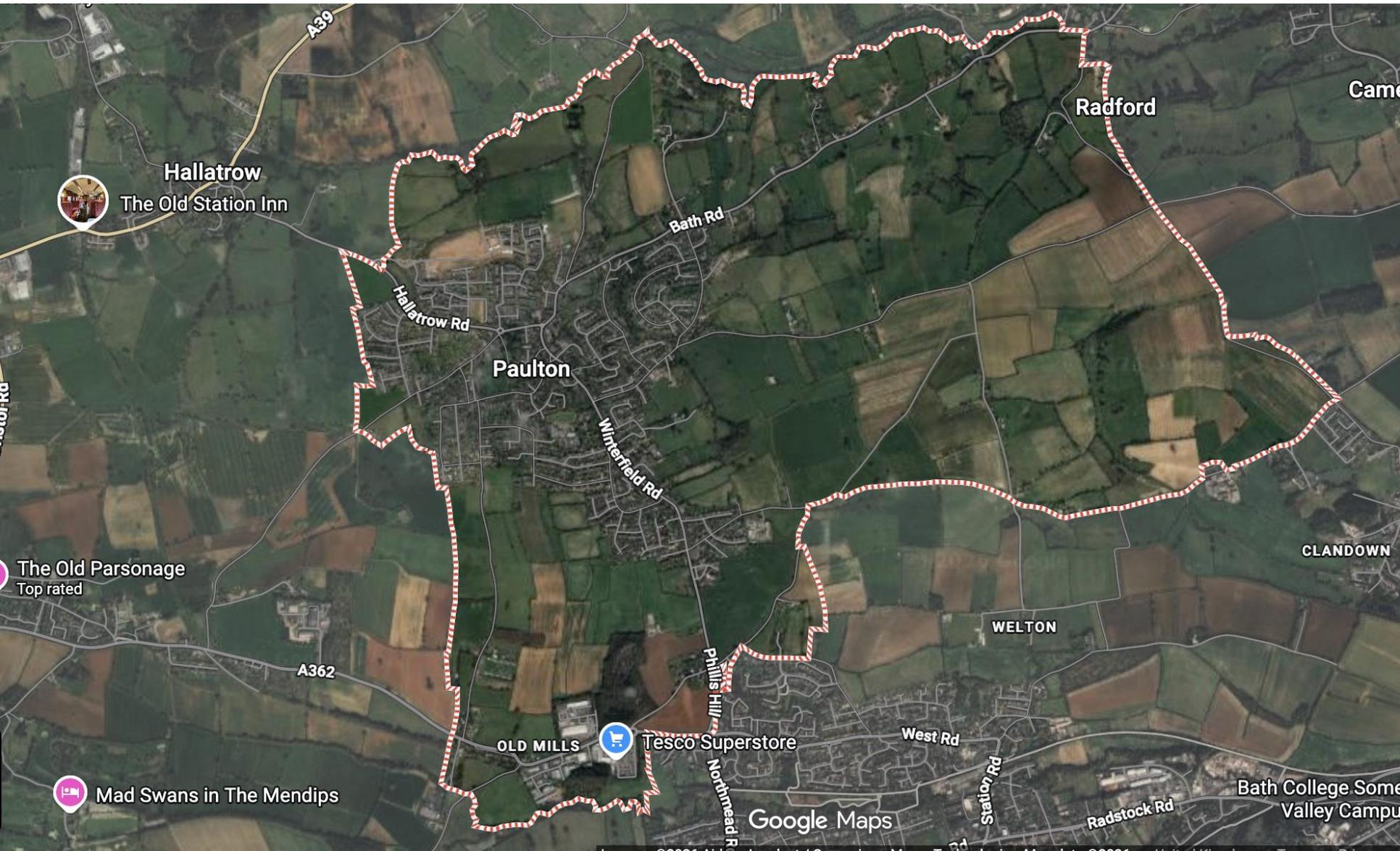


# A Neighbourhood Plan for Paulton



# Overview



What is a Neighbourhood plan



Content of NPs



Timeline of NPs



Formation of working group

# What is a Neighbourhood Plan?



A legal document for local people to shape village development



It must represent the needs and concerns of the community



They have to be written, examined & approved by a referendum



They form part of the Development Plan for B&NES and have to be considered when assessing future planning applications



They increase Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) payments to 25%

# Planning hierarchy

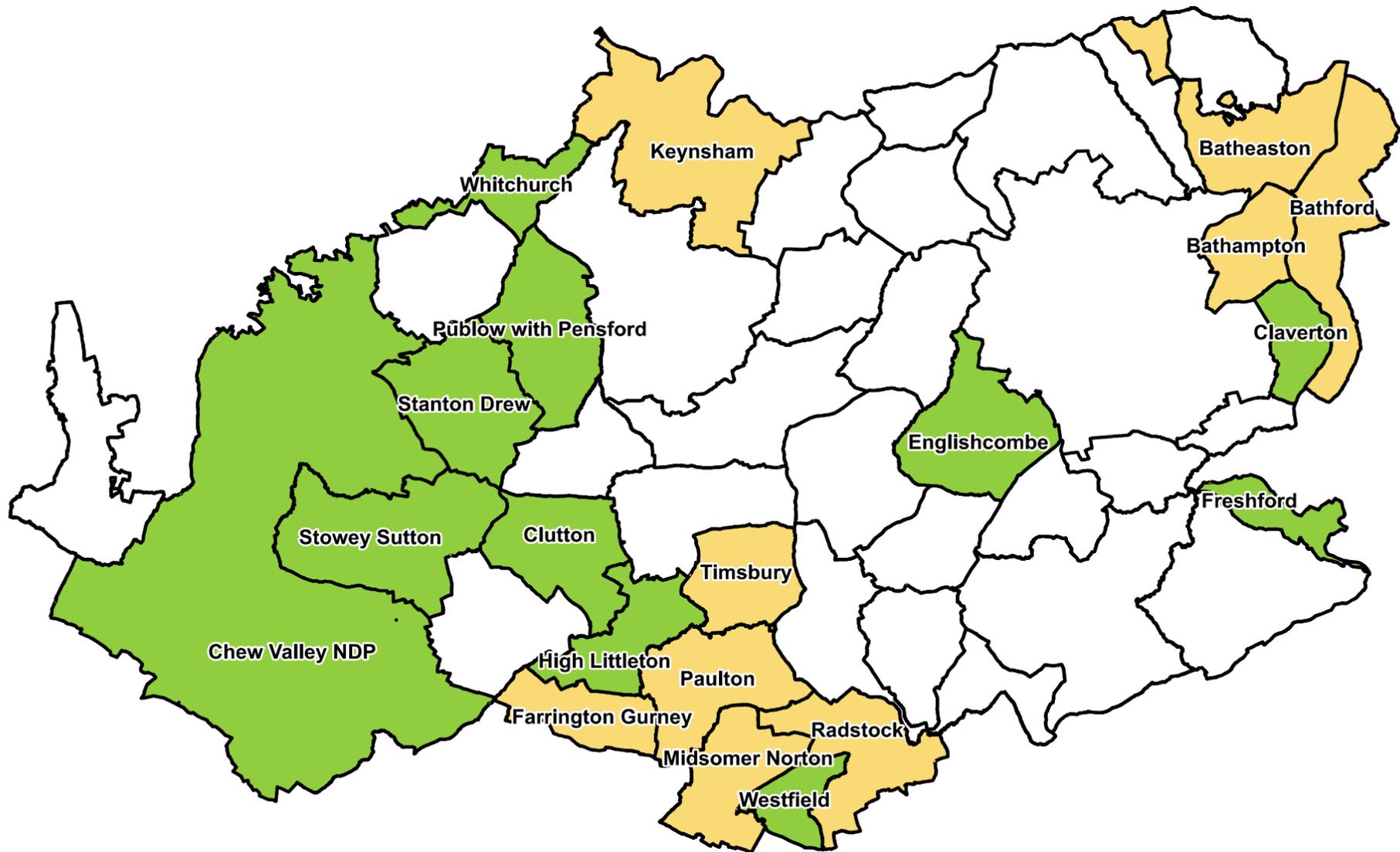
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Local Plan

Neighbourhood Plan

# Neighbourhood Plans in B&NES



# Content of Neighbourhood Plans

Infrastructure

Housing and  
industrial sites

Local green  
spaces

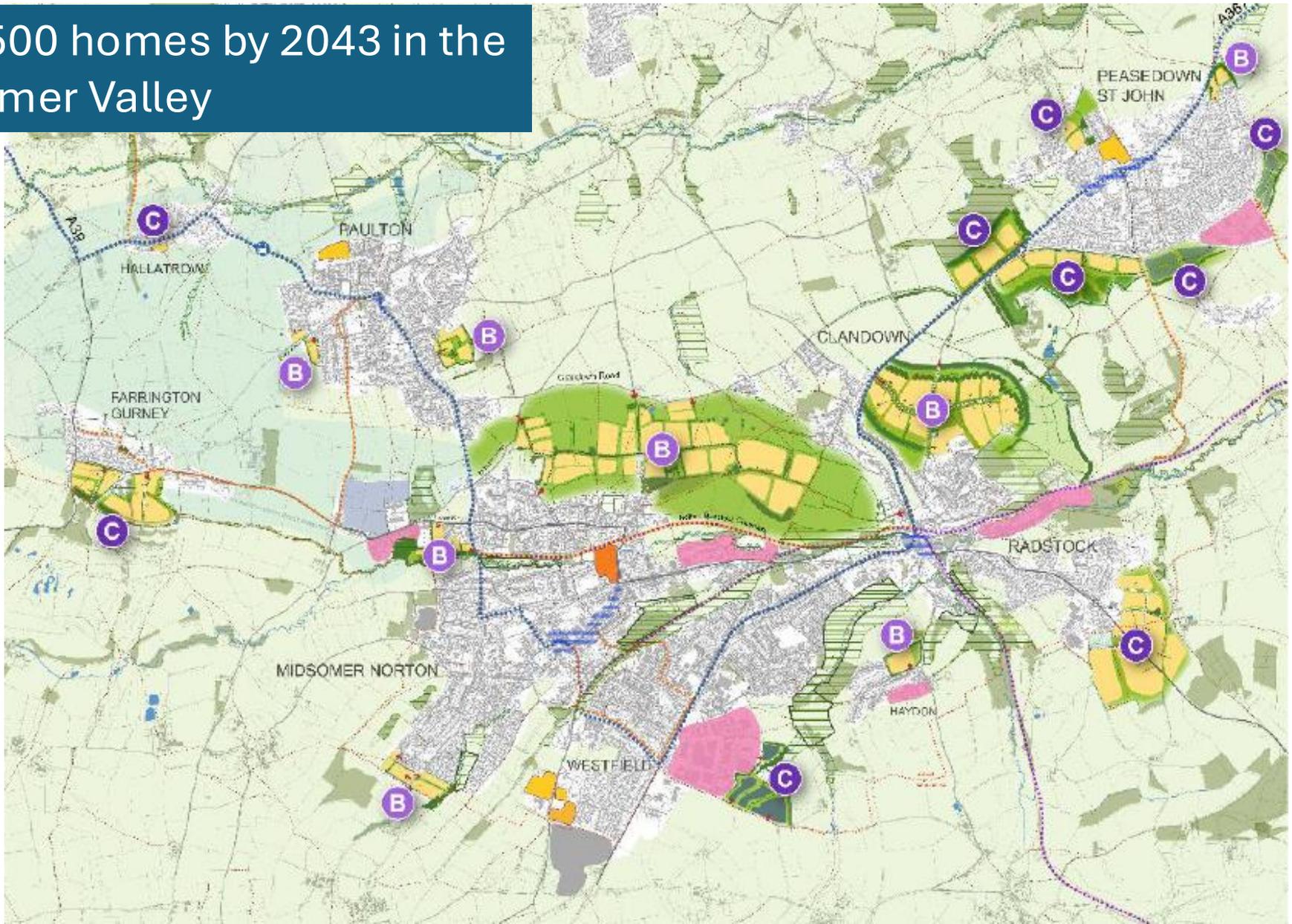
Conservation  
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Heritage sites

Must align with NPPF and Local Plan

# B&NES Local Plan

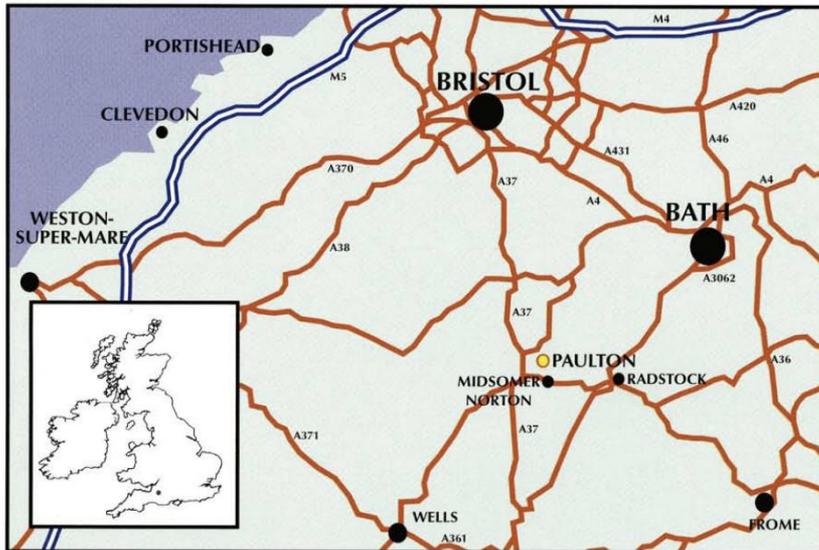
8,500 homes by 2043 in the Somer Valley



# Existing information

## **PAULTON** **Village Design Statement**

2001



## Paulton conservation area character appraisal

adopted as Supplementary Planning Guidance 2003



## **Community Plan**

Report and Action Plan April 2010

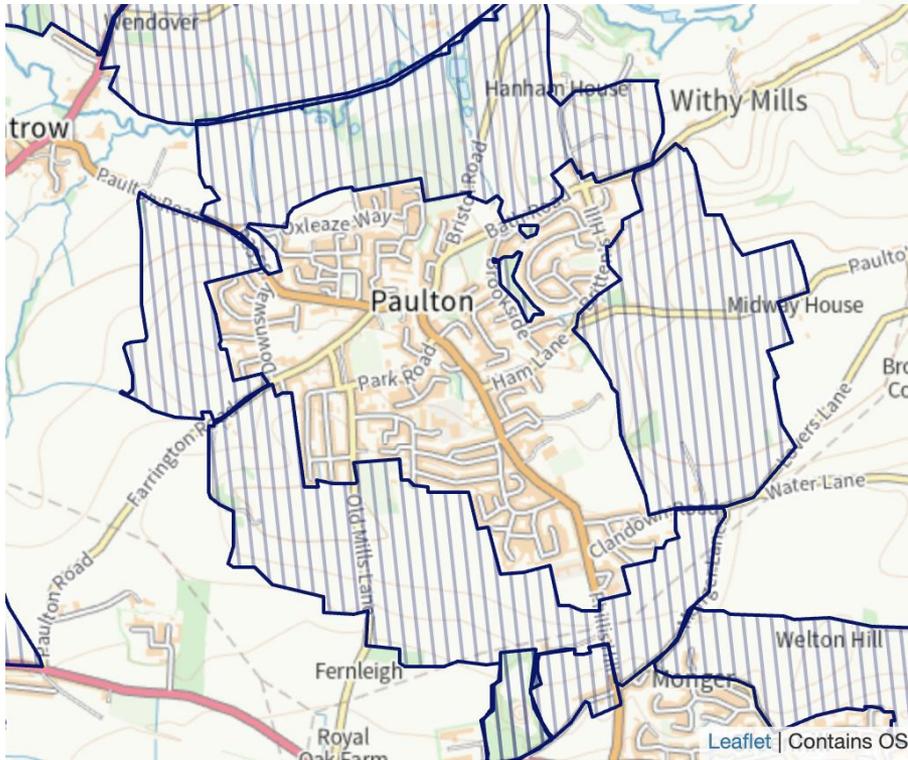
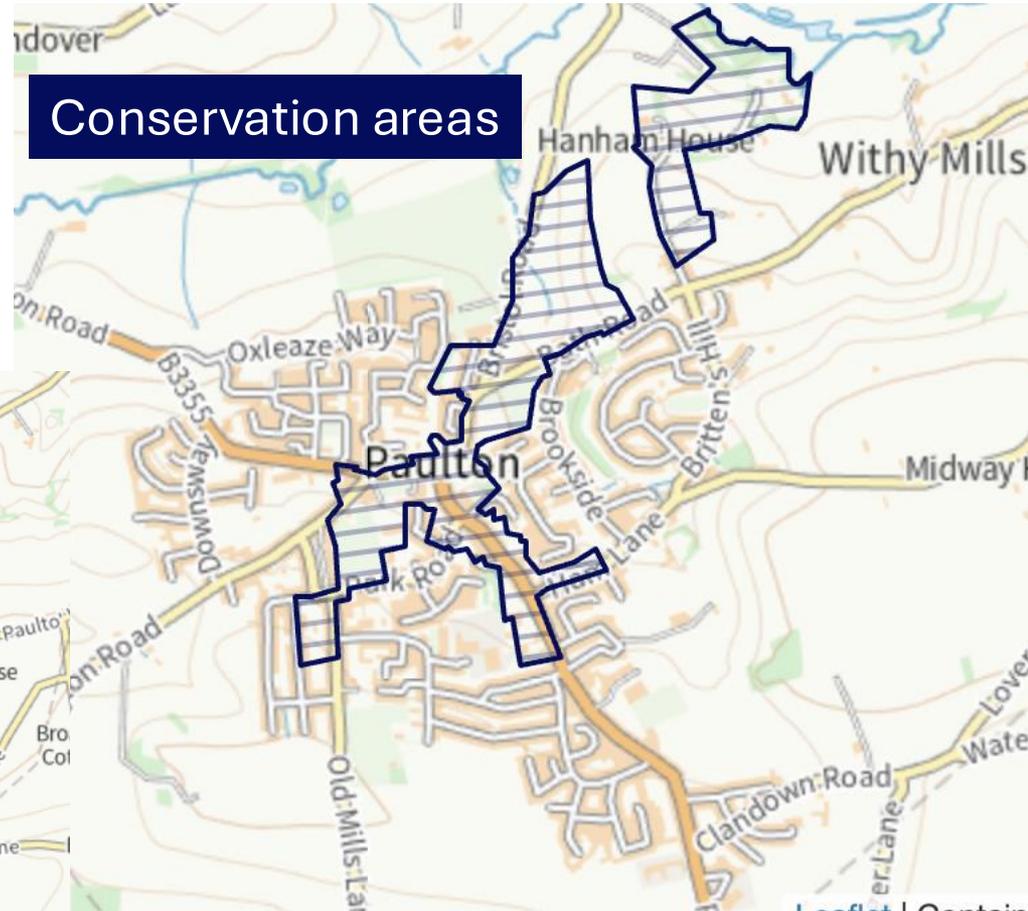
**PAULTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**COMMUNITY PLAN UPDATE QUESTIONNAIRE - 2013**

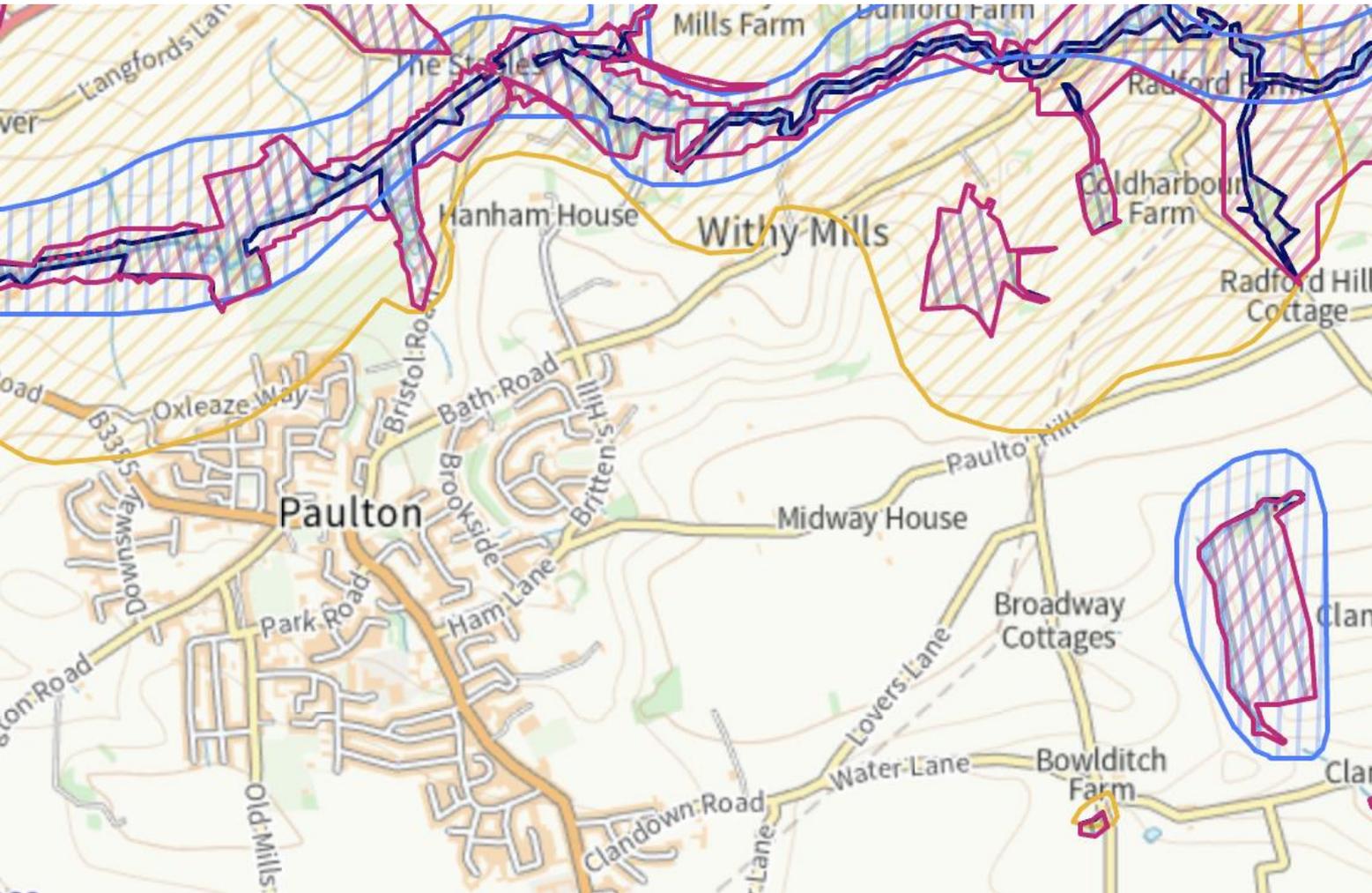
**ANALYSIS, CONCLUSIONS AND PROPOSED ACTIONS**

# What is important to Paulton - Heritage

- Village identity & character
- Separation of settlements
- Conservation areas (HE1)
- Landscape settings (NE2A)



# What is important to Paulton - Environment



Ecological Network (NE5)

Wetland Strategic Network & Nature Conservation Interest (NE5 and NE3) and Somerset Coal Canal (HE2)

Grassland Strategic Network (NE5)

# What is important to Paulton - Amenities

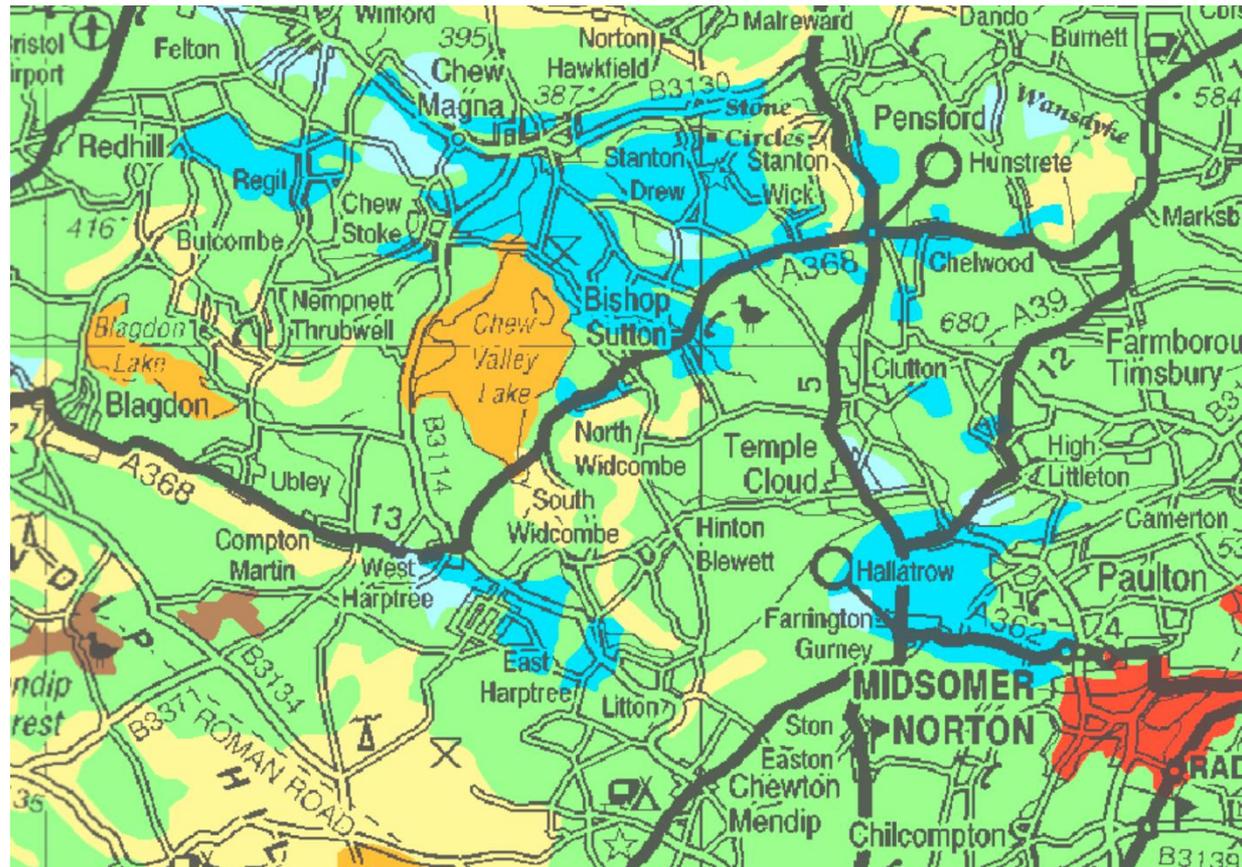
- Village amenities and services
- Pubs, cafe, shops, post office, swimming pool, parks, village hall, churches, allotments
- Community groups and sports clubs



# Potential constraints to further development

- Paulton's population has increased by 33% in the past 20 years
- Lack of employment
- Lack of sustainable transport
- Limited availability of Schools, GPs, Dentists, RUH
- Sewage network at capacity
- Best and Most Versatile Agricultural Land
- Mining history
- Climate change

Ward	2001 Population	2021 Population	% Increase
Westmoreland	4493	7524	67.5
Keynsham North	4621	6644	43.8
Bathwick	5657	8069	42.6
Publow & Whitchurch	2400	3193	33
<b>Paulton</b>	<b>4896</b>	<b>6503</b>	<b>32.8</b>



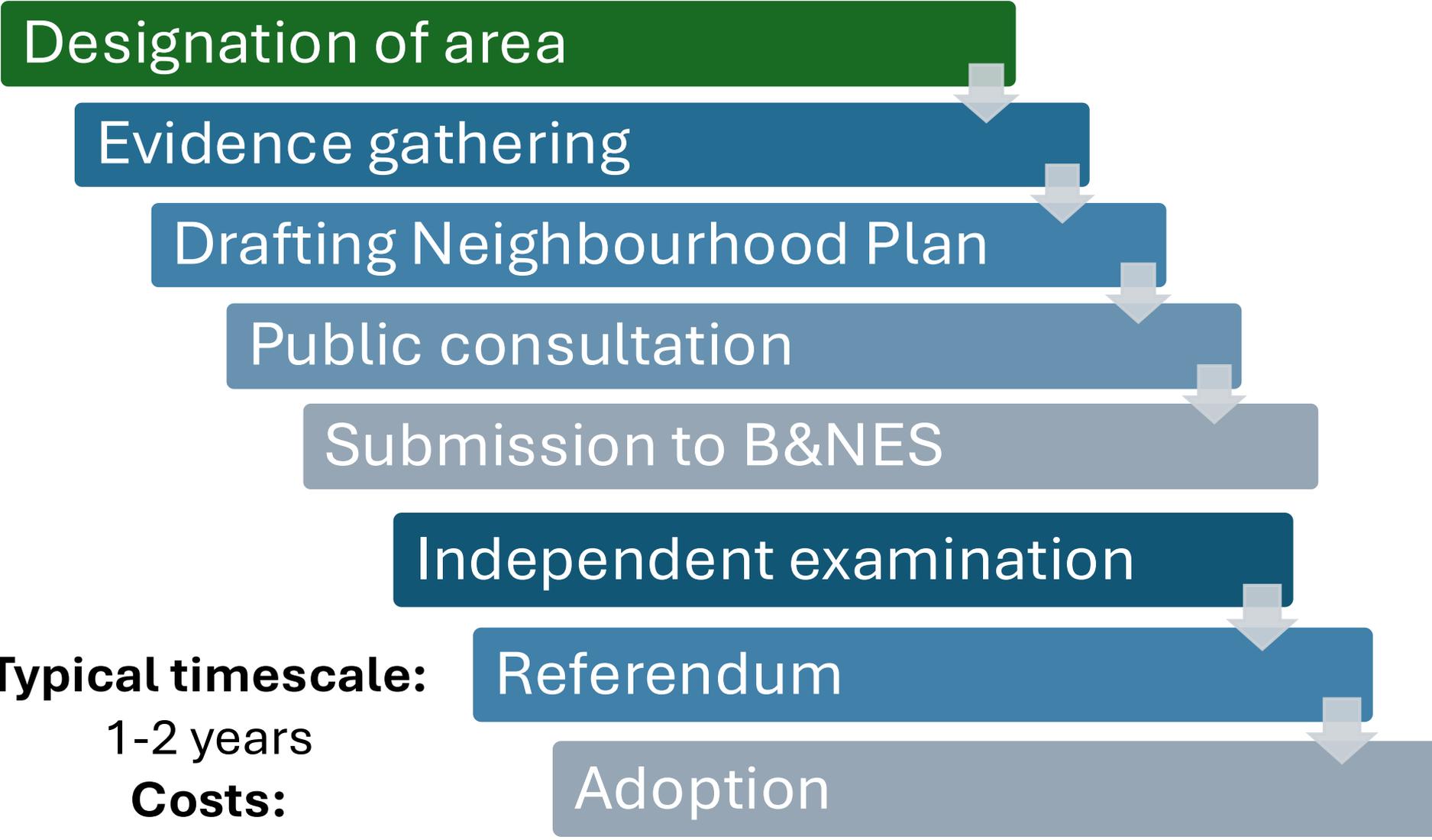
# Current planning applications

- 72 houses approved on Purnell's site – affordable housing
- Planning applications still outstanding: Gladman's, care home



# Timeline of Neighbourhood Plan Development

Designation of area



Evidence gathering

Drafting Neighbourhood Plan

Public consultation

Submission to B&NES

Independent examination

Referendum

Adoption

**Typical timescale:**

1-2 years

**Costs:**

£10,000 for LCS

# Formation of working group

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- Sign up sheet for anyone interested in helping
- Leaflet delivery, drop in events, local knowledge
- Experience with survey design, data analysis, planning knowledge





Questions