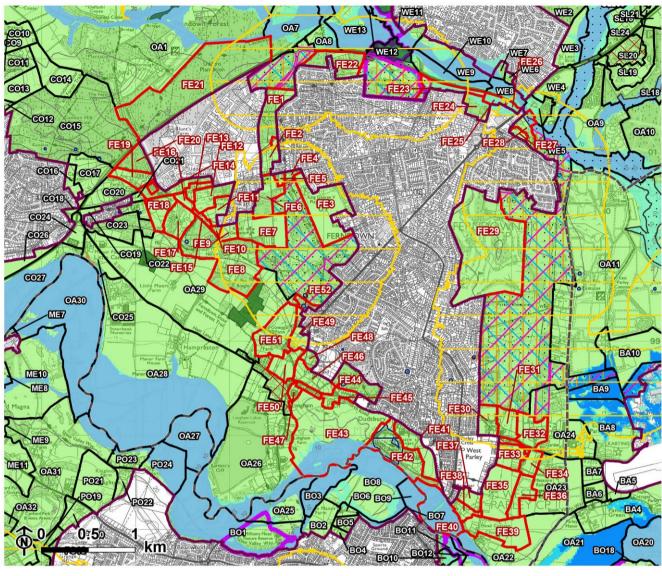
Appendix B
Detailed Stage 1
Contribution
Assessments:
Ferndown & West
Parley - Part 1

Ferndown & West Parley





Inset area

Green Belt

Ferndown & West Parley parcel

Neighbouring parcel

No openness

Absolute constraints

Special Area of Conservation

Special Protection Area

Ramsar

Site of Special Scientific Interest

Ancient Woodland Inventory

Scheduled monument

CROW Registered Common Land



Potential constraints

Local Nature Reserve

Flood zone 3b

Flood zone 3a

Flood zone 3

Flood zone 2

400m Heathland Area

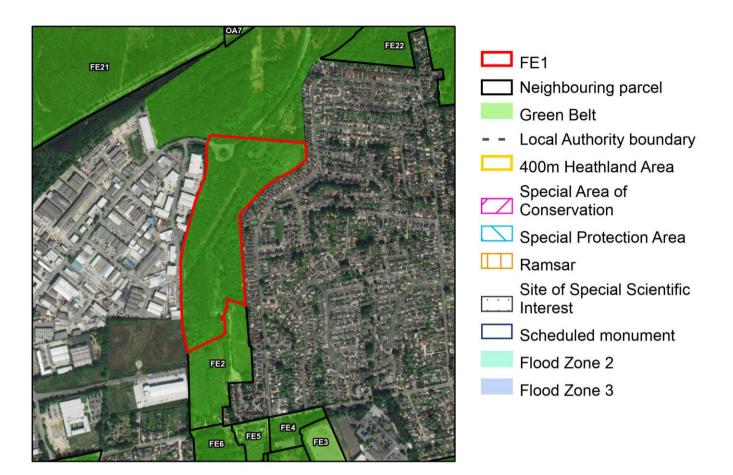
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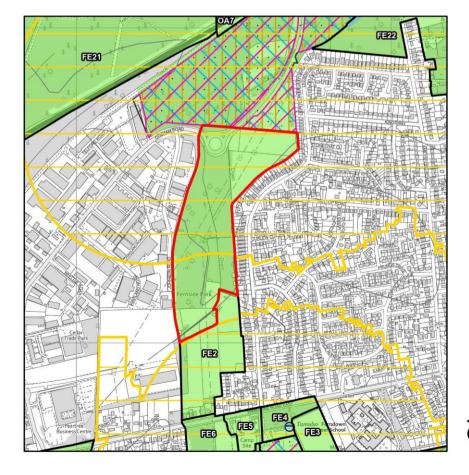
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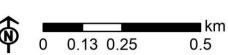
Components of contribution assessment

The analysis of contribution to the Green Belt purposes considers:

- the relevance of each Green Belt purpose, given the parcel's location relative to large built-up areas, towns, countryside and historic towns;
- · the extent to which the land can be considered open in Green Belt terms;
- for Purpose 1-3, the degree of distinction between the parcel and urban area(s) that is, the extent to which land is associated with the urban area or with the wider countryside. A stronger distinction from the urban area increases contribution to these purposes, where relevant.







FF1

Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 12.84ha

The parcel is located on the north western edge of Ferndown in a gap, with Ferndown Industrial Estate lying in close proximity to the west. Ferndown and West Parley do not constitute large built-up area or historic towns, but are, in terms of the role of Green Belt, considered to be a town. The northern boundary of the parcel is constrained by the Dorset Heaths SAC.

The parcel is open, comprising of woodland and shrubland.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The wooded land cover of the parcel is prominent, enhancing distinction from Ferndown to the east and Ferndown Industrial Estate to the west, although its role as a boundary feature is limited by the presence of development to both sides. Additionally, the whole of the parcel lies in close proximity to the inset area and is largely contained by urban development. Overall there is moderate distinction between the parcel and the urban area.

Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
 Contribution: Weak/No
 Land is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with
 it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the
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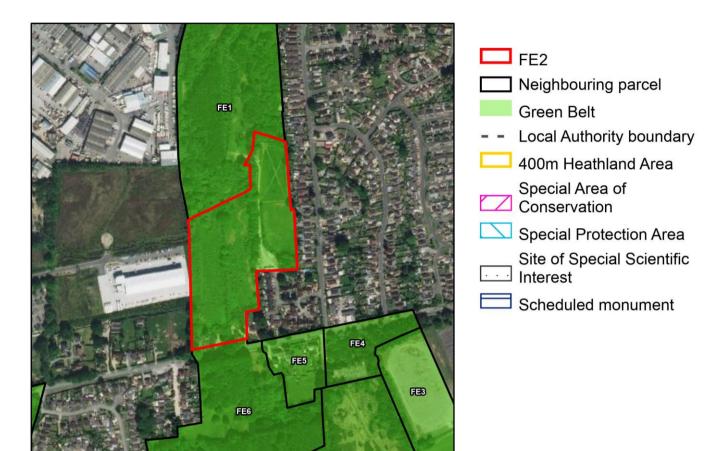
Purpose 2 - Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
 Contribution: Relatively strong
 The parcel is open. There is a narrow gap between Ferndown/West
 Parley and Colehill to the west, further reduced by intervening urbanising
 development at Stapehill and the Ferndown Industrial Estate, although
 tree cover and the A31 help to preserve separation. The parcel has some
 relationship with the inset area, but also a degree of distinction from it.
 Overall the area makes a relatively strong contribution to preventing the
 merging of neighbouring towns.

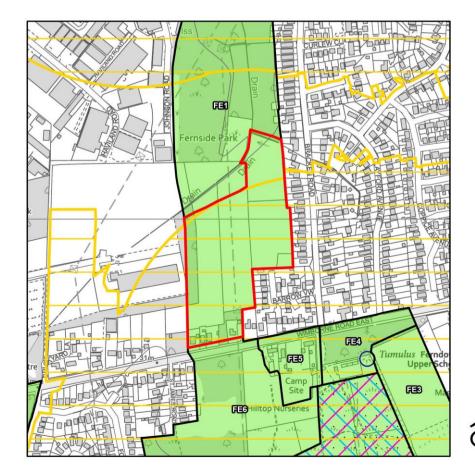
Purpose 3 - Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Relatively strong
 The parcel is open countryside. The parcel has some relationship with
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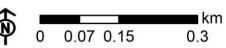
 Purpose 4 - Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.

 Purpose 5 - Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:

Contribution: Equal







FF2

Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 5.11ha

The parcel is located on the north western edge of Ferndown, with Ferndown Industrial Estate lying to the west. Ferndown and West Parley do not constitute large built-up area or historic towns, but are, in terms of the role of Green Belt, considered to be a town.

The parcel is open, comprising of shrubland/heathland in the west and two small fields in the east. There are several residential properties in the southwest of the parcel, but this scale of development is not large enough in scale to impact openness.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

There is no boundary feature between the parcel and the commercial use building to the west and the garden boundaries on the eastern boundary of the parcel provide only weak separation from the urban area. The whole of the parcel lies in close proximity to the urban area and the parcel is largely contained by urban development due to an enclosing residential area to the south, which results in views from the parcel being dominated by the urban area. Overall there is weak distinction between the parcel and the urban area.

Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
 Contribution: Weak/No

The parcel is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large built-up area.

Purpose 2 - Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
 Contribution: Moderate

The parcel is open. There is a narrow gap between Ferndown/West Parley and Colehill to the west, further reduced by intervening urbanising development at Stapehill and the Ferndown Industrial Estate, although tree cover and the A31 help to preserve separation. Although the settlement gap is fragile, there is weak distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which reduces the extent to which development would be perceived as narrowing the gap. Overall the area makes a moderate contribution to preventing the merging of neighbouring towns.

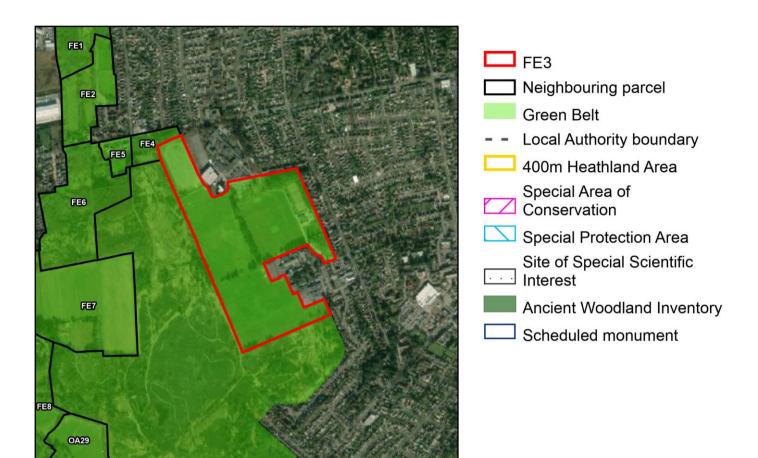
Purpose 3 - Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Moderate

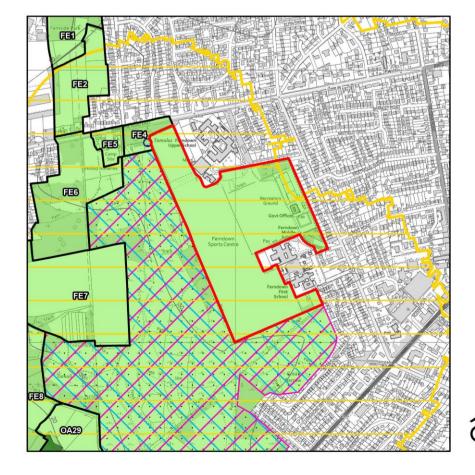
The parcel is open countryside. There is weak distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which reduces the extent to which development would be perceived as encroachment on the countryside. Overall the area makes a moderate contribution to safeguarding the countryside from encroachment.

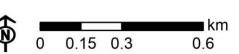
 Purpose 4 - Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.

 Purpose 5 - Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:

Contribution: Equal







Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 23.77ha

The parcel is located on the north western edge of Ferndown. Ferndown and West Parley do not constitute large built-up area or historic towns, but are, in terms of the role of Green Belt, considered to be a town. The parcel is contained by the Dorset heathlands Special Area of Conservation and Site of Special Scientific Interest sites to the south and west.

Land is open, comprising largely of sports and playing fields, tennis courts and a bowling green, as well as some tree cover. A car park is located in the north of the parcel and a registration office with associated car parking is located in the east, however this development is not large enough in scale to impact openness.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

Although the eastern part of the parcel is located in close proximity to and is largely contained by urban development within the inset settlement of Ferndown to the north, south and east, the tree cover to the northeast and southeast create moderate separation between this land and the settlement. Conversely, the remainder of the parcel extends a reasonable distance from the inset settlement and has some degree of containment to the north and east, however, the edge of the parcel adjoining the schools within Ferndown is largely undefined, creating little separation from the inset settlement. As such, views across the entire parcel are dominated by the urban area and landform and land cover within the parcel do not create distinction from the inset settlement of Ferndown. Overall there is weak distinction between the parcel and the urban area.

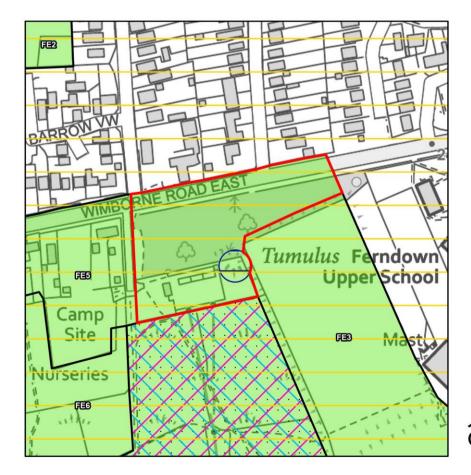
Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
 Contribution: Weak/No
 Land is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with
 it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large
 built-up area.

- Purpose 2 Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
 Contribution: Relatively weak
 Land is open and is peripheral to a narrow gap between Colehill and
 Ferndown/West Parley. There is weak distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which reduces the extent to which development would be perceived as narrowing the gap. Overall the area makes a relatively weak contribution to preventing the merging of neighbouring towns.
- Purpose 3 Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Relatively weak
 Land is open but is characterised by sports and playing fields, tennis
 courts and a bowling green, uses which are associated with the adjacent
 inset settlement of Ferndown and diminish the extent to which the parcel
 is perceived as countryside. There is weak distinction between the parcel
 and the inset area, which reduces the extent to which development would
 be perceived as encroachment on the countryside. Overall the area
 makes a relatively weak contribution to safeguarding the countryside from
 encroachment.
- Purpose 4 Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.
- Purpose 5 Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:

Contribution: Equal







Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 1.48ha

Land is located on the western edge of Ferndown. Ferndown and West Parley do not constitute large built-up area or historic towns, but are, in terms of the role of Green Belt, considered to be a town. A Scheduled Monument, bowl barrow 250m west of Ferndown Upper School, is located in the south of the parcel and the parcel is contained by the Dorset heathlands Special Area of Conservation and Site of Special Scientific Interest sites to the south.

Land is open, largely comprising of woodland. An electricity substation is located in the south of the site; however, this development is not large enough in scale to impact openness.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

Although the parcel is in close proximity to and largely contained by the inset settlement of Ferndown to the north, east and west, the woodland within the parcel is very prominent, making it significantly different and creating strong separation from the inset settlement. Overall there is moderate distinction between the parcel and the urban area.

Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

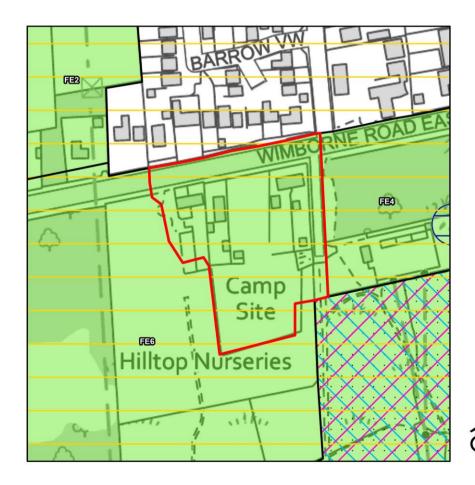
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 Contribution: Weak/No
 Land is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with
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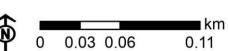
- Purpose 2 Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
 Contribution: Moderate
 Land is open and is peripheral to a narrow gap between Colehill and
 Ferndown/West Parley. The parcel has some relationship with the inset
 area, but also a degree of distinction from it. Overall the area makes a
 moderate contribution to preventing the merging of neighbouring towns.
- Purpose 3 Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Relatively strong
 Land is open countryside and the parcel has some relationship with the
 inset area, but also a degree of distinction from it. Overall the area makes
 a relatively strong contribution to safeguarding the countryside from
 encroachment.
- Purpose 4 Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.
- Purpose 5 Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:

Contribution: Equal









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Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 1.24ha

Land is located on the western edge of Ferndown. Ferndown and West Parley do not constitute large built-up area or historic towns, but are, in terms of the role of Green Belt, considered to be a town.

Land is open, comprising of large gardens and grassland. A few dwellings and associated buildings are located in the north of the parcel; however, this development is not large enough in scale to impact openness.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

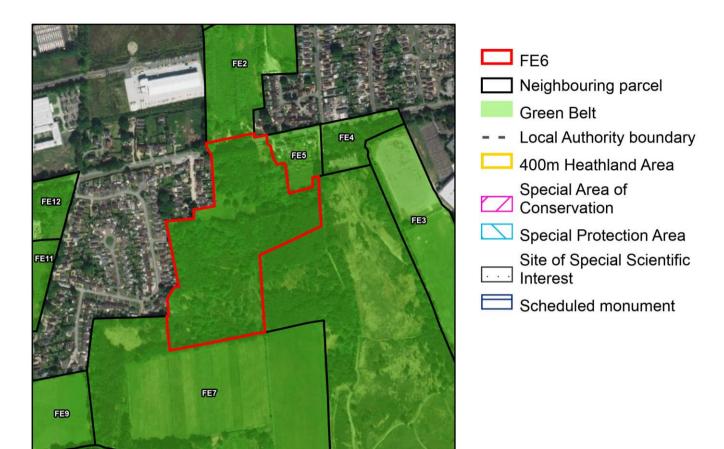
Wimborne Road East bounding the north of the parcel creates moderate separation from the inset settlement of Ferndown. However, the parcel is in close proximity to and largely contained by the inset settlement of Ferndown to the north and east, and Stapehill to the west. Overall there is weak distinction between the parcel and the urban area.

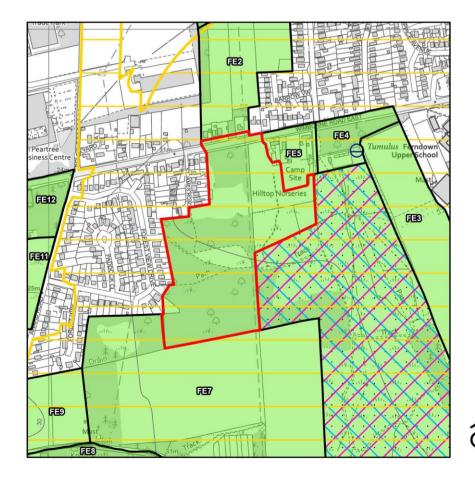
Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

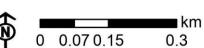
Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
 Contribution: Weak/No
 Land is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with
 it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large
 built-up area.

- Purpose 2 Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another: Contribution: Moderate Land is open and lies within a narrow gap between Ferndown/West Parley and Colehill. Urbanising development reduces gaps but the A31 and intervening woodland are significant separating features. Although the settlement gap is fragile, there is weak distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which reduces the extent to which development would be perceived as narrowing the gap. Overall the area makes a moderate contribution to preventing the merging of neighbouring towns.
- Purpose 3 Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Moderate
 Land is open countryside but there is weak distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which reduces the extent to which development would be perceived as encroachment on the countryside. Overall the area makes a moderate contribution to safeguarding the countryside from encroachment.
- Purpose 4 Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.
- Purpose 5 Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:

Contribution: Equal







Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 9.35ha

Land is located between Ferndown to the east and Stapehill to the west.

Ferndown and West Parley do not constitute large built-up area or historic towns, but are, in terms of the role of Green Belt, considered to be a town. The parcel is contained by the Dorset heathlands Special Area of Conservation and Site of Special Scientific Interest sites to the east.

Land is open, comprising of woodland and scrub.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The tree cover marking the edge of much of the parcel with the inset area of Stapehill to the west creates moderate separation from the settlement. In addition, land is largely contained by urban development within Ferndown to the north, east and west, but the size of the area limits the urbanising influence. The woodland and scrub within the parcel are very prominent, making it significantly different from the inset settlement, and views are dominated by open countryside. Overall there is strong distinction between the parcel and the urban area.

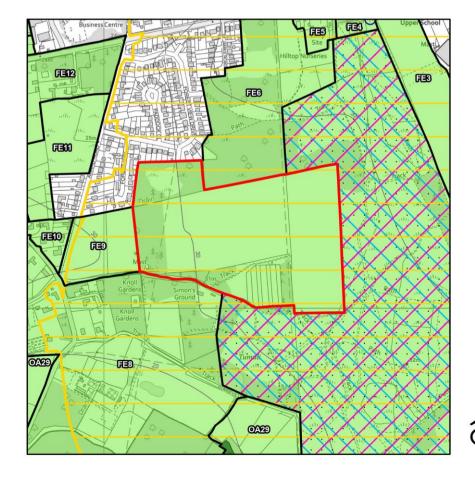
Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

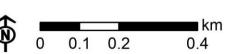
Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
 Contribution: Weak/No
 Land is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with
 it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large
 built-up area.

- Purpose 2 Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
 Contribution: Strong
 Land is open and is within a narrow gap between Ferndown/West Parley
 and Colehill. Urbanising development reduces gaps but the A31 and
 intervening woodland are significant separating features. There is strong
 distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which increases the
 extent to which development would be perceived as narrowing the gap.
 Overall the area makes a strong contribution to preventing the merging of
 neighbouring towns.
- Purpose 3 Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Strong
 Land is open countryside and there is strong distinction between the
 parcel and the inset area, which increases the extent to which
 development would be perceived as encroachment on the countryside.
 Overall the area makes a strong contribution to safeguarding the
 countryside from encroachment.
- Purpose 4 Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.
- Purpose 5 Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:

Contribution: Equal







Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 16.39ha

The parcel is located south of, and adjacent to, Stapehill. Ferndown and West Parley do not constitute large built-up area or historic towns, but are, in terms of the role of Green Belt, considered to be a town. The Dorset Heaths SAC lies to the east.

The parcel is open, comprising of agricultural fields.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The forested area at the inset edge is a strong boundary feature, the parcel is not contained by urban development and the tree cover provides screening of the urban area, which means that views are dominated by open countryside. Overall there is strong distinction between the parcel and the urban area.

Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
 Contribution: Weak/No

The parcel is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large built-up area.

Purpose 2 - Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
 Contribution: Strong

The parcel is open and lies in a narrow gap between Ferndown/West Parley and Colehill. Urbanising development reduces gaps but the A31 and intervening woodland are significant separating features. There is strong distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which increases the extent to which development would be perceived as narrowing the gap. Overall the area makes a strong contribution to preventing the merging of neighbouring towns.

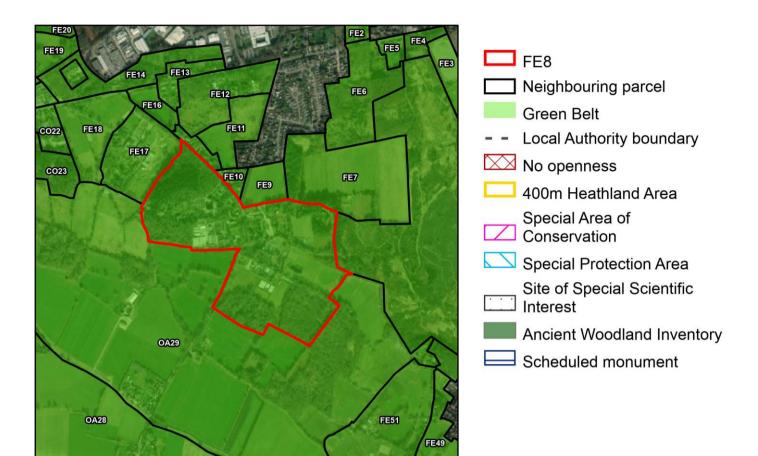
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 Contribution: Strong

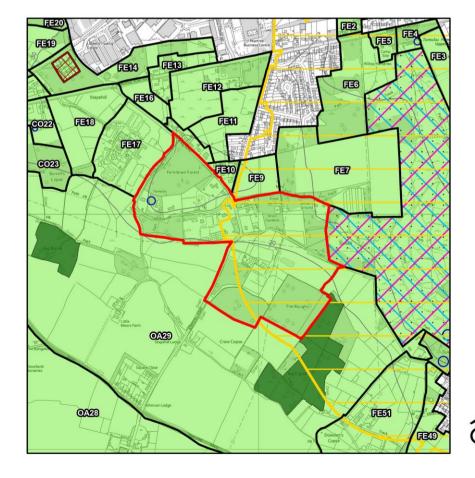
The parcel is open countryside. There is strong distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which increases the extent to which development would be perceived as encroachment on the countryside. Overall the area makes a strong contribution to safeguarding the countryside from encroachment.

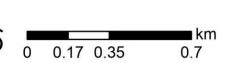
 Purpose 4 - Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.

 Purpose 5 - Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:

Contribution: Equal







Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 37.57ha

The parcel is located south west of Stapehill. Ferndown and West Parley do not constitute large built-up area or historic towns, but are, in terms of the role of Green Belt, considered to be a town. The parcel is contained to the east by Dorset Heaths Special Area of Conservation and Ferndown Common Site of Special Scientific Interest. Bowl Harrow Scheduled Monument is located in the west of the parcel.

Land is open, comprising of sparse tree cover, a garden centre and horticultural nurseries in the south of the parcel. The horticultural nursery does not impact Green Belt openness. As well as the garden centre, several residential buildings are also located within the parcel, however, this development is not large enough in scale to impact openness. Agricultural land and a woodland block are also located in the south of the parcel.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The parcel is not contained by urban development and is dominated by views of open countryside. Tree cover is also relatively prominent, particularly in the northern area of the parcel and the southern edge, providing some distinction from the inset area, and forming a moderate boundary feature on the northern edges of the parcel, creating separation from the settlement. Overall there is strong distinction between the parcel and the urban area.

Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

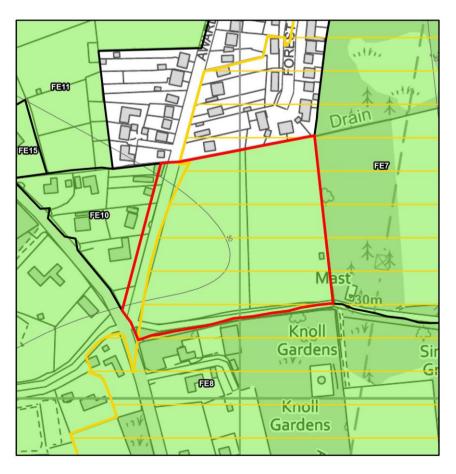
Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
 Contribution: Weak/No
 Land is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with
 it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large
 built-up area.

- Purpose 2 Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
 Contribution: Strong
 Land is open but there is a narrow gap between Ferndown/West Parley
 and Colehill. Urbanising development reduces gaps but the A31 and
 intervening woodland are significant separating features. There is strong
 distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which increases the
 extent to which development would be perceived as narrowing the gap.
 Overall the area makes a strong contribution to preventing the merging of
 neighbouring towns.
- Purpose 3 Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Strong
 Land is open countryside and there is strong distinction between the
 parcel and the inset area, which increases the extent to which
 development would be perceived as encroachment on the countryside.
 Overall the area makes a strong contribution to safeguarding the
 countryside from encroachment.
- Purpose 4 Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.
- Purpose 5 Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:

Contribution: Equal









Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 2.99ha

The parcel is located south of, and adjacent to, Stapehill. Ferndown and West Parley do not constitute large built-up area or historic towns, but are, in terms of the role of Green Belt, considered to be a town.

The parcel is open comprising of an agricultural field.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The parcel is subject to a degree of urban containment by residential development to the west, which means that neither the countryside nor the urban area dominates views from the parcel. The field boundary at the inset edge provides only weak separation from the urban area and the whole of parcel lies in close proximity to Stapehill. Overall there is weak distinction between the parcel and the urban area.

Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
 Contribution: Weak/No

The parcel is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large built-up area.

Purpose 2 - Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
 Contribution: Moderate

Land is open but there is a narrow gap between Ferndown/West Parley and Colehill. Urbanising development reduces gaps but the A31 and intervening woodland are significant separating features. Although the settlement gap is fragile, there is weak distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which reduces the extent to which development would be perceived as narrowing the gap. Overall the area makes a moderate contribution to preventing the merging of neighbouring towns.

Purpose 3 - Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Moderate

The parcel is open countryside. There is weak distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which reduces the extent to which development would be perceived as encroachment on the countryside. Overall the area makes a moderate contribution to safeguarding the countryside from encroachment.

 Purpose 4 - Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any
historic towns.

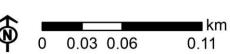
 Purpose 5 - Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:

Contribution: Equal









Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 0.98ha

The parcel is located adjacent to, and south west of, Stapehill. Ferndown and West Parley do not constitute large built-up area or historic towns, but are, in terms of the role of Green Belt, considered to be a town.

The parcel is relatively developed and has a significant amount of residential development within it.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

There is some residential development to the south of the parcel, but it does not create significant containment given it is an area of low-density residential development. The residential nature of the parcel means that views are dominated by urban development. The parcel lies in close proximity to Stapehill and the garden boundaries at the inset edge provide only a weak degree of separation. Overall there is weak distinction between the parcel and the inset settlement.

Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
 Contribution: Weak/No

The parcel is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large built-up area.

Purpose 2 - Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
 Contribution: Weak/No

Land is relatively developed and has a significant amount of urbanising development within it. There is a narrow gap between Ferndown/West Parley and Colehill. Urbanising development reduces gaps but the A31 and intervening woodland are significant separating features. Although the settlement gap is fragile, there is weak distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which reduces the extent to which development would be perceived as narrowing the gap. Overall the area makes a weak/no contribution to preventing the merging of neighbouring towns.

Purpose 3 - Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Weak/No

This is washed over development in the countryside. The parcel is relatively developed and has a significant amount of residential development within it. There is weak distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which reduces the extent to which development would be perceived as encroachment on the countryside. Overall the area makes a weak/no contribution to safeguarding the countryside from encroachment.

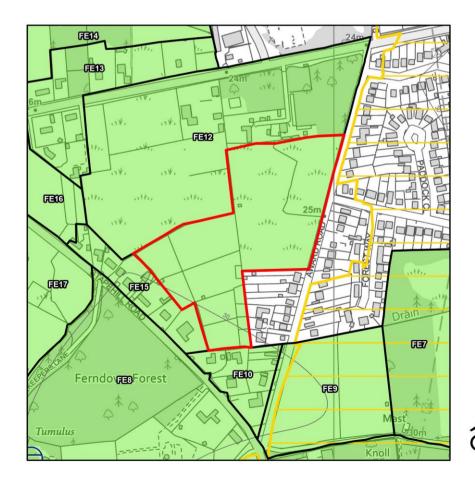
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 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.

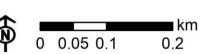
 Purpose 5 - Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:

Contribution: Equal









Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 4.78ha

The parcel is located adjacent to, and west of, Stapehill. Ferndown and West Parley do not constitute large built-up area or historic towns, but are, in terms of the role of Green Belt, considered to be a town.

Land is open, comprising of agricultural fields and vacant grassland.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

Neither the countryside nor the urban area dominates views, but the parcel has some degree of containment by urban development and is in close proximity to Stapehill. Although the western field within the parcel has a stronger treeline boundary, the hedgerow on the eastern edge of the parcel is only a weak boundary feature, creating little separation from the inset area. Overall there is weak distinction between the parcel and the urban area.

Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
 Contribution: Weak/No
 Land is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with
 it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large
 built-up area.

• Purpose 2 - Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another: Contribution: Moderate Land is open but there is a narrow gap between Ferndown/West Parley and Colehill. Urbanising development reduces gaps but the A31 and intervening woodland are significant separating features. Although the settlement gap is fragile, there is weak distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which reduces the extent to which development would be perceived as narrowing the gap. Overall the area makes a moderate contribution to preventing the merging of neighbouring towns.

Purpose 3 - Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Moderate
 Land is open countryside but there is weak distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which reduces the extent to which development would be perceived as encroachment on the countryside. Overall the area makes a moderate contribution to safeguarding the countryside from encroachment.

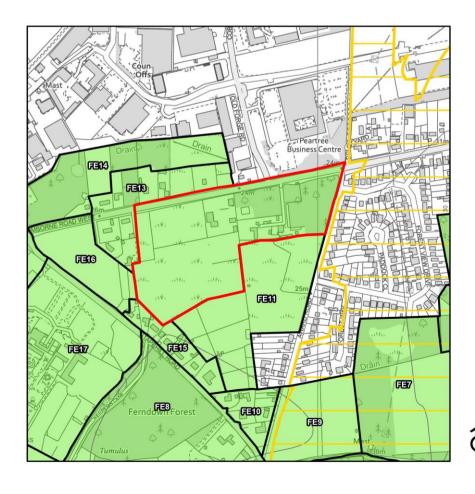
 Purpose 4 - Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.

 Purpose 5 - Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:

Contribution: Equal









Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 7.6ha

The parcel is located adjacent to Ferndown Industrial Estate to the north, and adjacent to Stapehill to the east. Ferndown and West Parley do not constitute large built-up area or historic towns, but are, in terms of the role of Green Belt, considered to be a town.

Land is open and is dominated by sparse woodland. Several residential buildings are located in the centre of the parcel; however, this development is not large enough in scale to impact openness.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The parcel is largely contained by urban development, including Ferndown Industrial Estate to the north, Stapehill to the east and a relatively developed area to the south. However, there are enough weaker boundary features to create moderate separation from the settlement. Overall there is moderate distinction between the parcel and the urban area.

Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

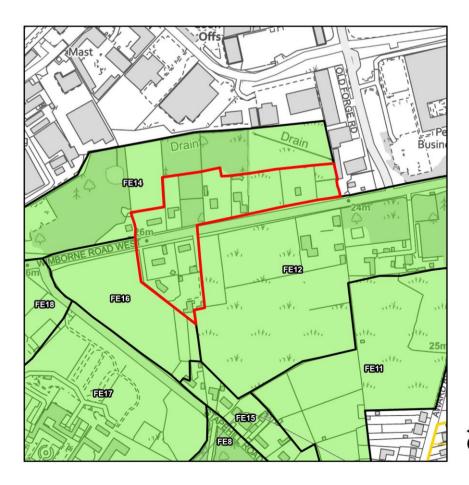
Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
 Contribution: Weak/No
 Land is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with
 it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large
 built-up area.

- Purpose 2 Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
 Contribution: Relatively strong
 Land is open but there is a narrow gap between Ferndown/West Parley
 and Colehill. Urbanising development reduces gaps but the A31 and
 intervening woodland are significant separating features. The parcel has
 some relationship with the inset area, but also a degree of distinction
 from it. Overall the area makes a relatively strong contribution to
 preventing the merging of neighbouring towns.
- Purpose 3 Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Relatively strong
 Land is open countryside. The parcel has some relationship with the
 inset area, but also a degree of distinction from it. Overall the area makes
 a relatively strong contribution to safeguarding the countryside from
 encroachment.
- Purpose 4 Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.
- Purpose 5 Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:

Contribution: Equal









Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 2.6ha

The parcel is located south and adjacent to Ferndown Industrial Estate, and west of Stapehill. Ferndown and West Parley do not constitute large built-up area or historic towns, but are, in terms of the role of Green Belt, considered to be a town.

Land is relatively open but has some limited urbanising development within it, including a number of residential buildings.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

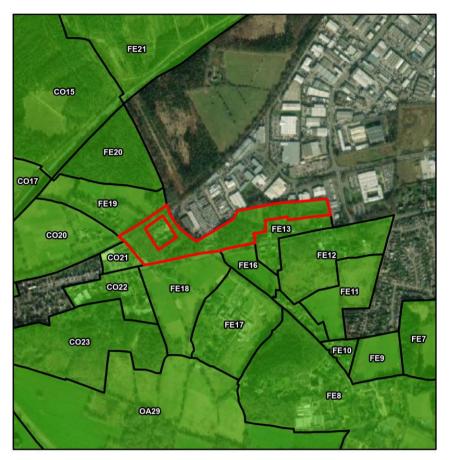
Although the parcel is in close proximity to the inset area and has some degree of containment by urban development, neither the countryside nor the urban area dominates views. Tree cover within the parcel is relatively prominent, which provides some distinction from Ferndown Industrial Estate, and Wimborne Road East, Award Road and the associated treelines on the northern and eastern edges of the parcel are a strong boundary feature creating separation from the inset area. Overall there is moderate distinction between the parcel and the urban area.

Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

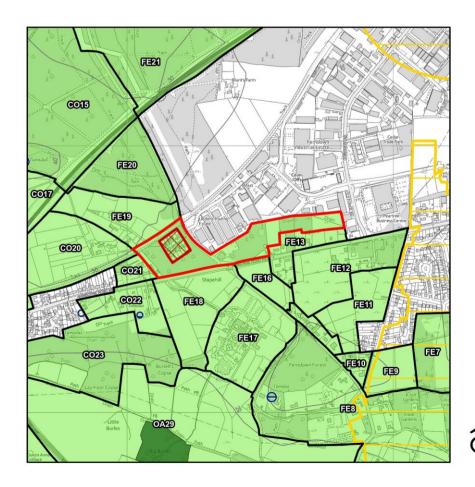
Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
 Contribution: Weak/No
 Land is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with
 it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large
 built-up area.

- Purpose 2 Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
 Contribution: Moderate
 Land is relatively open but has some limited urbanising development within it. There is a narrow gap between Ferndown and West Parley and Colehill. Urbanising development reduces gaps but the A31 and intervening woodland are significant separating features. The parcel has some relationship with the inset area, but also a degree of distinction from it. Overall the area makes a moderate contribution to preventing the merging of neighbouring towns.
- Purpose 3 Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Moderate
 Land is relatively open countryside but has some limited urbanising
 development within it. The parcel has some relationship with the inset
 area, but also a degree of distinction from it. Overall the area makes a
 moderate contribution to safeguarding the countryside from
 encroachment.
- Purpose 4 Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.
- Purpose 5 Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:

Contribution: Equal









Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 6.75ha

The parcel is located south and adjacent to Uddens Trading Estate and Ferndown Industrial Estate. Ferndown and West Parley do not constitute large built-up area or historic towns, but are, in terms of the role of Green Belt, considered to be a town.

Land is open and is dominated by sparse tree cover.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

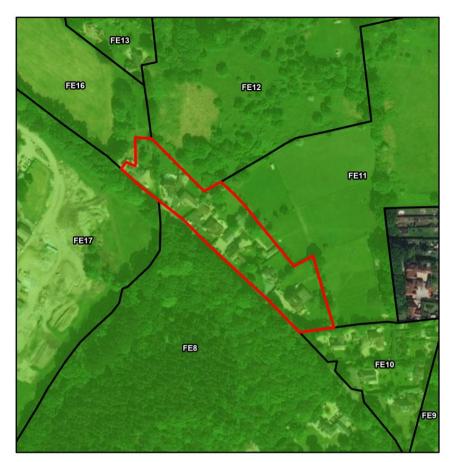
Land is in close proximity to Ferndown and West Parley and has some degree of containment by urban development. Views are not dominated by either the countryside or the urban area. However, tree cover is relatively prominent, which provides some distinction from the settlement, and the treeline on the northern edge of the parcel is a strong boundary feature creating separation from Uddens Trading Estate and Ferndown Industrial Estate. Overall there is moderate distinction between the parcel and the urban area.

Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

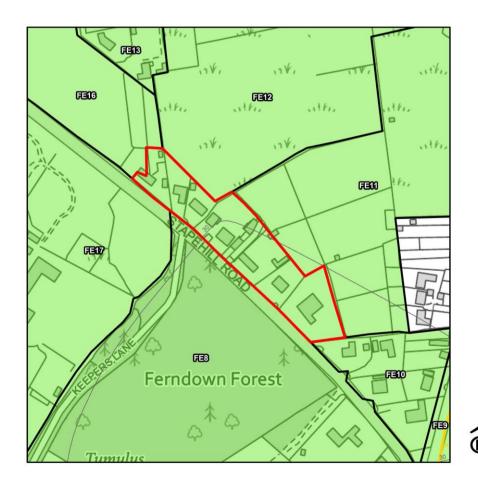
Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
 Contribution: Weak/No
 Land is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with
 it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large
 built-up area.

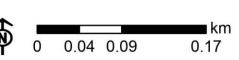
- Purpose 2 Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
 Contribution: Relatively strong
 Land is open but there is a narrow gap between Ferndown/West Parley
 and Colehill. Urbanising development reduces gaps but the A31 and
 intervening woodland are significant separating features. The parcel has
 some relationship with the inset area, but also a degree of distinction
 from it. Overall the area makes a relatively strong contribution to
 preventing the merging of neighbouring towns.
- Purpose 3 Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Relatively strong
 Land is open countryside and the parcel has some relationship with the
 inset area, but also a degree of distinction from it. Overall the area makes
 a relatively strong contribution to safeguarding the countryside from
 encroachment.
- Purpose 4 Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.
- Purpose 5 Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:

Contribution: Equal









Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 1.19ha

The parcel is located west of Stapehill. Ferndown and West Parley do not constitute large built-up area or historic towns, but are, in terms of the role of Green Belt, considered to be a town.

Land is relatively developed and has a significant amount of urbanising development within it, including a number of residential buildings.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

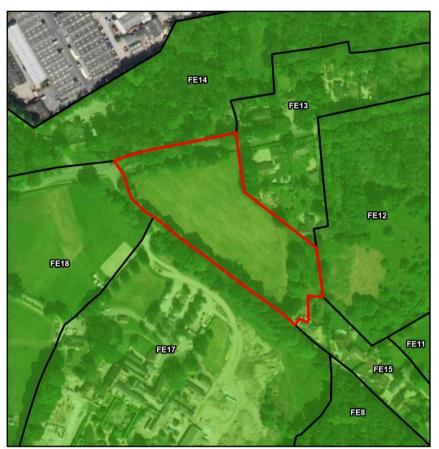
The parcel is dominated by views of the urban area. However, land is not contained by urban development located to the west and south, and the treeline to the east of the parcel is a moderate boundary feature creating separation from the inset area. Overall there is moderate distinction between the parcel and the urban area.

Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

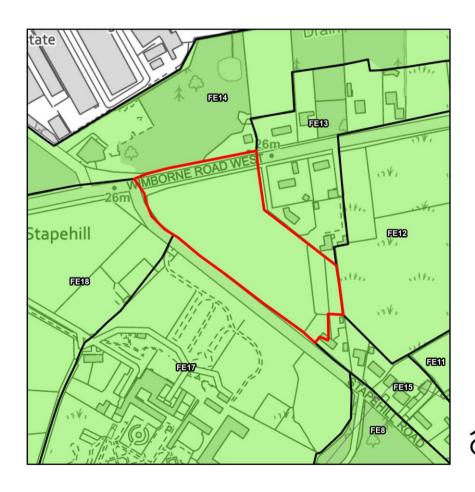
Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
 Contribution: Weak/No
 Land is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with
 it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large
 built-up area.

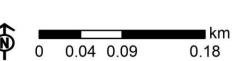
- Purpose 2 Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another: Contribution: Relatively weak Land is relatively developed and has a significant amount of urbanising development within it. There is a narrow gap between Ferndown/West Parley and Colehill. Urbanising development reduces gaps but the A31 and intervening woodland are significant separating features. The parcel has some relationship with the inset area, but also a degree of distinction from it. Overall the area makes a relatively weak contribution to preventing the merging of neighbouring towns.
- Purpose 3 Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Relatively weak
 Land is relatively developed and has a significant amount of urbanising
 development within it. This is washed over development in the
 countryside but The parcel has some relationship with the inset area, but
 also a degree of distinction from it. Overall the area makes a relatively
 weak contribution to safeguarding the countryside from encroachment.
- Purpose 4 Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.
- Purpose 5 Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:

Contribution: Equal









Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 2.1ha

The parcel is located south of Ferndown Industrial Estate and Uddens Trading Estate, and west of Stapehill. Ferndown and West Parley do not constitute large built-up area or historic towns, but are, in terms of the role of Green Belt, considered to be a town.

Land is open, comprising of agricultural land.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

Although the parcel has some degree of containment by urban development, there are enough boundary features to create strong separation from the settlement and so neither the countryside nor the urban area dominates views. Overall there is moderate distinction between the parcel and the urban area.

Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
 Contribution: Weak/No
 Land is open. Land is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large built-up area.

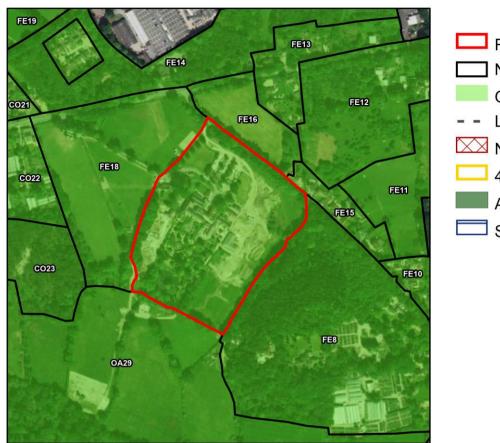
Purpose 2 - Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
 Contribution: Relatively strong
 Land is open but there is a narrow gap between Ferndown/West Parley
 and Colehill. Urbanising development reduces gaps but the A31 and
 intervening woodland are significant separating features. The parcel has
 some relationship with the inset area, but also a degree of distinction
 from it. Overall the area makes a relatively strong contribution to
 preventing the merging of neighbouring towns.

Purpose 3 - Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Relatively strong
 Land is open countryside. The parcel has some relationship with the
 inset area, but also a degree of distinction from it. Overall the area makes
 a relatively strong contribution to safeguarding the countryside from
 encroachment.

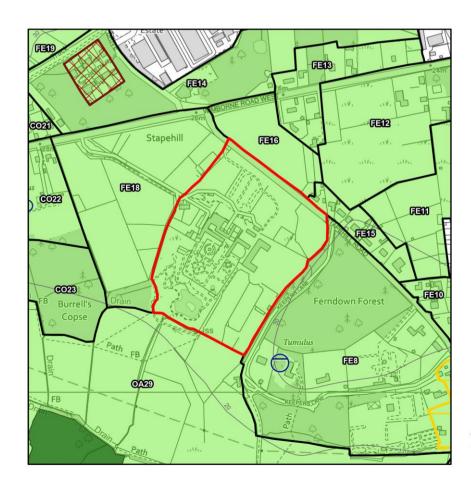
 Purpose 4 - Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.

 Purpose 5 - Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:

Contribution: Equal









Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 8.65ha

The parcel is located west of Stapehill, and south of Uddens Trading Estate and Ferndown Industrial Estate. Ferndown and West Parley does not constitute a large built-up area or a historic town, but it is, in terms of the role of Green Belt, considered to be a town. Land adjoining the southeast of the parcel is identified as a Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace.

The proposed development within this parcel appears to retain significant openness, and therefore it is relatively open, but has some limited urbanising development within it.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

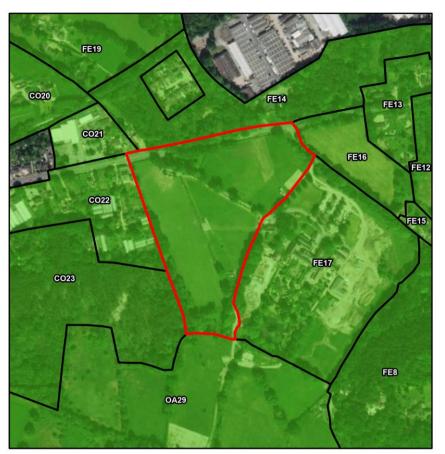
Although neither the urban area nor the countryside dominates views, the parcel is located a significant distance from the inset area and is not contained by urban development. In addition, there are enough boundary features, including hedgerows and treelines, to create strong separation from the inset area. Overall there is strong distinction between the parcel and the urban area.

Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

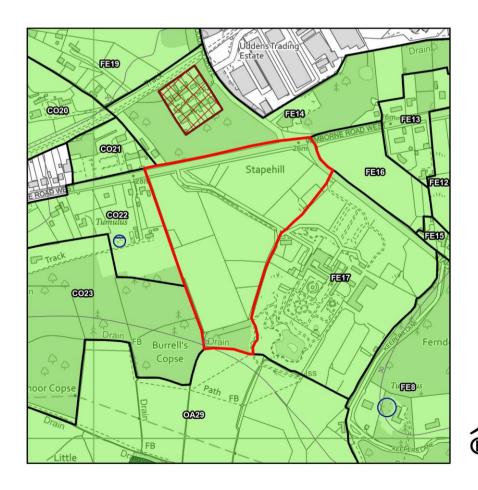
Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
 Contribution: Weak/No
 Land is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with
 it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large
 built-up area.

- Purpose 2 Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another: Contribution: Relatively strong Land is relatively open but has some limited urbanising development within it. There is a narrow gap between Ferndown/West Parley and Colehill. Urbanising development reduces gaps but the A31 and intervening woodland are significant separating features. There is strong distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which increases the extent to which development would be perceived as narrowing the gap. Overall the area makes a relatively strong contribution to preventing the merging of neighbouring towns.
- Purpose 3 Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Relatively strong
 Land is relatively open but has some limited urbanising development
 within it. This is washed over development in the countryside but there is
 strong distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which increases
 the extent to which development would be perceived as encroachment on
 the countryside. Overall the area makes a relatively strong contribution to
 safeguarding the countryside from encroachment.
- Purpose 4 Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.
- Purpose 5 Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:

Contribution: Equal









Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 7.49ha

The parcel is located south west of Uddens Trading Estate. Ferndown and West Parley does not constitute a large built-up area or a historic town, but it is, in terms of the role of Green Belt, considered to be a town. The south of the parcel is identified as a Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace.

Land is open, comprising of agricultural fields with separating hedgerows and a private road, Stapehill Abbey Gardens, that passes through the centre of the parcel.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The parcel is not contained by urban development and Wimborne Road West and the associated treeline to the north of the parcel is a strong boundary feature creating separation from Uddens Trading Estate. The parcel extends a significant distance from the settlement and is dominated by views of open countryside. Overall there is very strong distinction between the parcel and the urban area.

Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

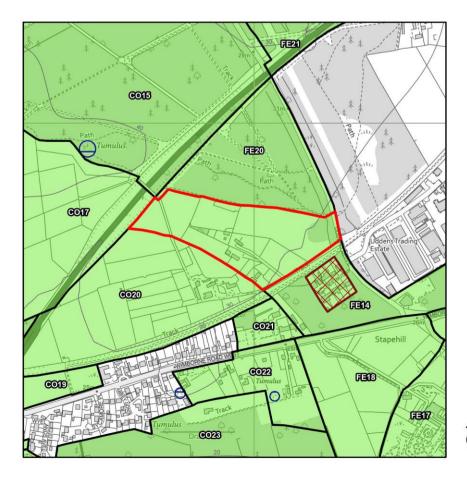
Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
 Contribution: Weak/No
 Land is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with
 it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large
 built-up area.

- Purpose 2 Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
 Contribution: Strong
 Land is open but there is a narrow gap between Ferndown/West Parley
 and Colehill. Urbanising development reduces gaps but the A31 and
 intervening woodland are significant separating features. There is very
 strong distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which increases
 the extent to which development would be perceived as narrowing the
 gap. Overall the area makes a strong contribution to preventing the
 merging of neighbouring towns.
- Purpose 3 Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Strong
 Land is open countryside and there is very strong distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which increases the extent to which development would be perceived as encroachment on the countryside.
 Overall the area makes a strong contribution to safeguarding the countryside from encroachment.
- Purpose 4 Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.
- Purpose 5 Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:

Contribution: Equal









Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 5.81ha

The parcel is located on the north western edge of Ferndown Industrial Estate and Uddens Trading Estate. Ferndown and West Parley does not constitute a large built-up area or a historic town, but it is, in terms of the role of Green Belt, considered to be a town.

Land is open, comprising of agricultural land and several residential buildings located in the south of the parcel. However, this development is not large enough in scale to impact openness.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The parcel is not contained by urban development and the treelines to the east and south of the parcel are strong boundary feature creating separation from the inset area. As such, the parcel is dominated by views of open countryside. Overall there is strong distinction between the parcel and the urban area.

Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
 Contribution: Weak/No
 Land is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with
 it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large
 built-up area.

Purpose 2 - Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
 Contribution: Strong
 Land is open but there is a narrow gap between Ferndown/West Parley
 and Colehill. Urbanising development reduces gaps but the A31 and
 intervening woodland are significant separating features. There is strong
 distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which increases the
 extent to which development would be perceived as narrowing the gap.
 Overall the area makes a strong contribution to preventing the merging of
 neighbouring towns.

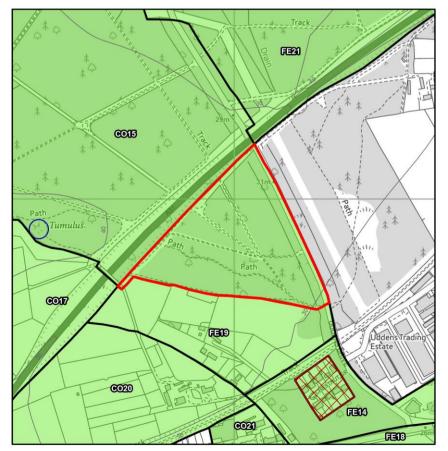
Purpose 3 - Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Strong
 Land is open countryside and there is strong distinction between the
 parcel and the inset area, which increases the extent to which
 development would be perceived as encroachment on the countryside.
 Overall the area makes a strong contribution to safeguarding the
 countryside from encroachment.

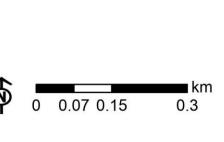
 Purpose 4 - Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.

 Purpose 5 - Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:

Contribution: Equal







Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 6.59ha

The parcel is located on the north western edge of Ferndown Industrial Estate. Ferndown and West Parley does not constitute a large built-up area or a historic town, but it is, in terms of the role of Green Belt, considered to be a town.

Land is open and is dominated by woodland.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

Tree cover within the parcel is very prominent, making it significantly different from the settlement, and is a strong boundary feature creating separation from inset land to the east (adjacent to Ferndown Industrial Estate but currently undeveloped). In addition, land is not contained by urban development, with views dominated by open countryside. Overall there is very strong distinction between the parcel and the urban area, and development of the currently open land within the inset settlement is unlikely to weaken this distinction.

Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
 Contribution: Weak/No
 Land is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with
 it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large
 built-up area.

Purpose 2 - Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
 Contribution: Strong
 Land is open but there is a narrow gap between Ferndown/West Parley
 and Colehill. Urbanising development reduces gaps but the A31 and
 intervening woodland are significant separating features. There is very
 strong distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which increases
 the extent to which development would be perceived as narrowing the
 gap. Overall the area makes a strong contribution to preventing the
 merging of neighbouring towns.

Purpose 3 - Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Strong
 Land is open countryside and there is very strong distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which increases the extent to which development would be perceived as encroachment on the countryside.
 Overall the area makes a strong contribution to safeguarding the countryside from encroachment.

 Purpose 4 - Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.

 Purpose 5 - Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:

Contribution: Equal