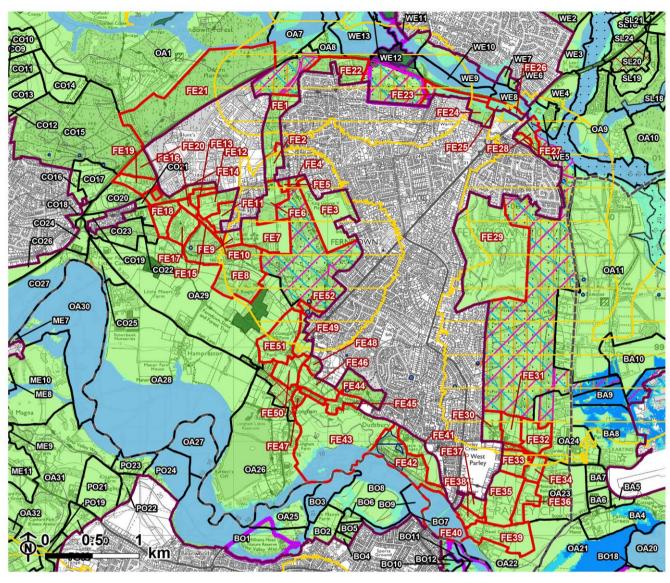
Appendix B
Detailed Stage 1
Contribution
Assessments:
Ferndown & West
Parley - Part 2

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

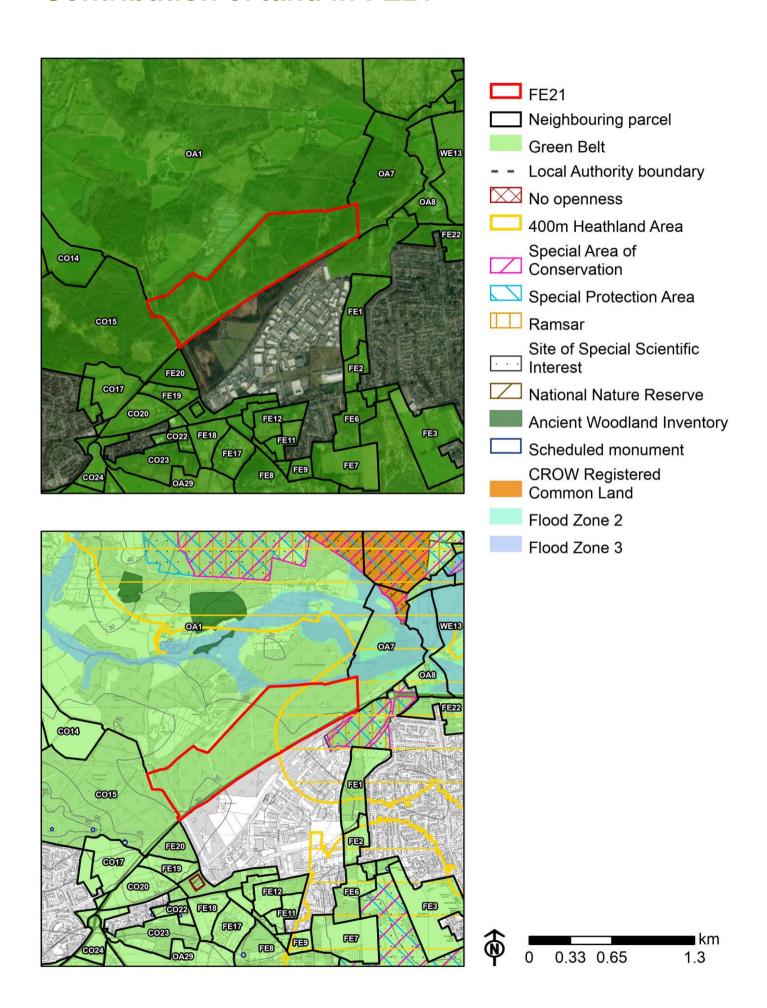
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Components of contribution assessment

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.



Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 66.15ha

The parcel is located to the north 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.

The parcel is open, comprising of a large forested area.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

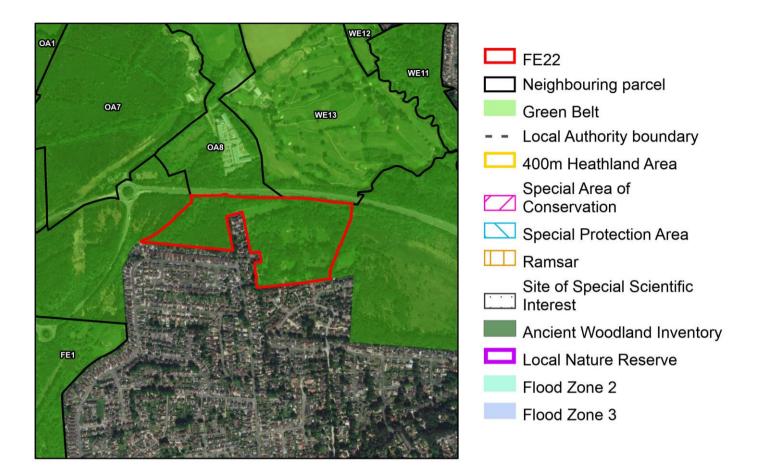
The forested land cover of the parcel is very prominent, making it significantly different from the adjacent inset area (which is currently open land adjacent to Ferndown Industrial Estate), and the parcel extends a significant distance from the inset edge. The wooded land cover provides screening, means that views from the parcel are dominated by open countryside. The parcel is not contained by urban development and its forested nature is a strong boundary feature providing separation from the urban area. 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.

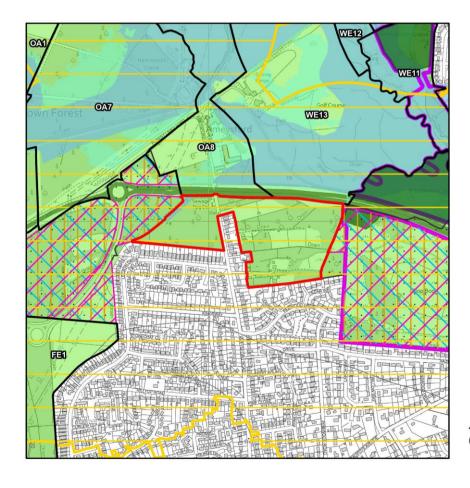
Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

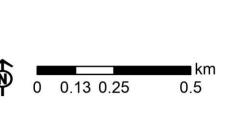
Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
 Contribution: Weak/No
 Land is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with
 it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the
 large built-up area.

- Purpose 2 Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
 Contribution: Relatively strong
 The parcel is open and peripheral to a narrow gap between
 Ferndown/West Parley and Colehill to the west. 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 relatively strong contribution to preventing the
 merging of neighbouring towns.
- Purpose 3 Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Strong
 The parcel is open countryside. 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: 11.63ha

The parcel is located on the northern edge of Ferndown. 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 Dorset Heaths SAC lies to the west of the parcel. The Dorset Heathlands Ramsar site and Slop Bog and Uddens Heath SSSI lies to the east.

The parcel is open, comprising of woodland land cover and some small areas of grassland also in the east. There are two residential properties in the eastern half of the parcel, but this scale of development is not considered large enough to impact openness.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The parcel is subject to some urban containment due to residential development protruding into the central region of the parcel and the A31 to the north. However, the wooded land cover is very prominent, making it significantly different from the inset area. The woodland also acts as strong boundary feature from Ferndown and means that views of the urban area are obscured. 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

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 gap which is narrow but which maintains clear separation between neighbouring towns of Ferndown/West Parley and West Moors and to the northeast and has some significant separating features, including forested areas and the A31. 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.

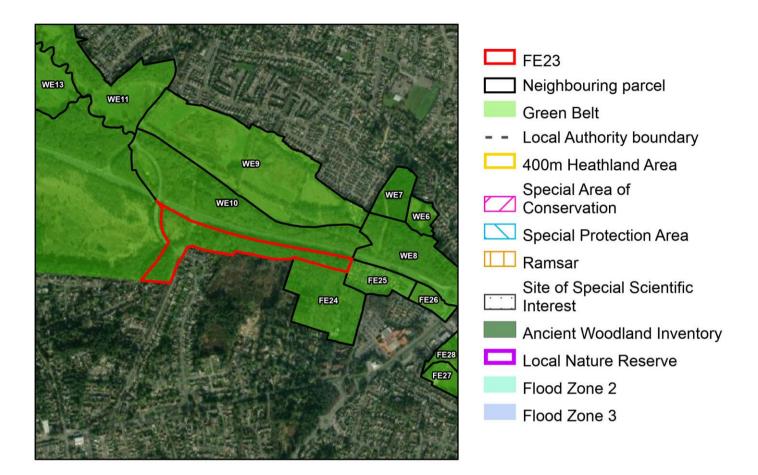
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 Contribution: Strong

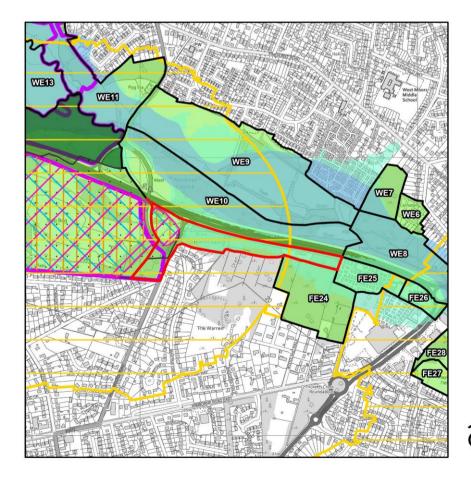
The parcel is open countryside. There is very strong distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which increases the extent to which development would be perceived as encroachment on the countryside. Overall the area makes a strong contribution to safeguarding the countryside from encroachment.

 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: 5.69ha

The parcel is located on the northern edge of Ferndown. 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 Dorset Heathlands Ramsar site, Dorset heaths SAC and Slop Bog and Uddens Heath SSSI lies to the east and also overlaps the western region of the parcel.

The parcel is open, comprising of a narrow strip of woodland adjacent to the A31.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The whole of the parcel lies in close proximity to the urban area. Despite the woodland providing some screening, views of the urban area are still present due to the narrow shape of the parcel and the presence of the A31 to the north. West Moors lies to the north but is not considered to create urban containment given its distance from the parcel boundary. The forested land cover of the parcel is very prominent, making it significantly different from the inset area and it also provides a strong boundary feature. 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 gap which is very narrow, but which maintains clear separation between neighbouring towns of Ferndown/West Parley and West Moors to the north. 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
 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.

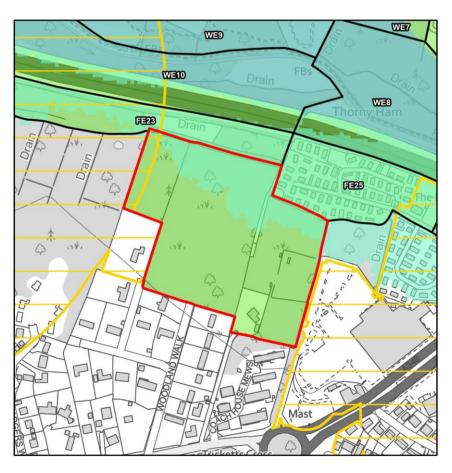
 Purpose 4 - Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.

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

Contribution: Equal









Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 5.83ha

The parcel is located on the northern edge of Ferndown. 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 parcel is open, comprising of a forested area. There is one residential property in the south east of the parcel, but this scale of development is not considered large enough to impact openness.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The wooded land cover of the parcel is very prominent, making it significantly different from the urban area. The wooded land cover also acts as a strong boundary feature from Ferndown. However, the parcel is largely contained by the inset area and lies in close proximity to the urban area. Overall there is moderate distinction between the parcel and the urban area. Development of the inset but currently wooded land within the inset settlement to the west 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

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: Relatively strong

The parcel is open and is peripheral to a gap which is very narrow, but which maintains clear separation between neighbouring towns of Ferndown/West Parley and West Moors to the north. 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 the inset area, but also a degree of distinction from it. Overall the area

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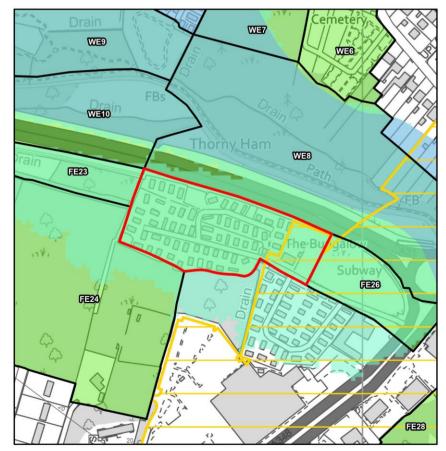
Purpose 4 - Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns:
 Contribution: Weak/No

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







Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 2.18ha

The parcel is located on the northern edge of Ferndown. 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 majority of the parcel is identified as a Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace.

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

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The whole of the parcel lies in close proximity to the urban area and there is no boundary feature in the southeast of the parcel to separate it from the inset area. Furthermore, the developed nature of the parcel means that views of the urban area dominate over countryside and the A31 and presence of West Moors to the north contain the parcel. 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: Relatively weak

The parcel is relatively developed and has a significant amount of residential development within it. The parcel lies in a gap which is very narrow, but which maintains clear separation between neighbouring towns of Ferndown/West Parley and West Moors to the north. Although the settlement gap is very 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 relatively weak contribution to preventing the merging of neighbouring towns.

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

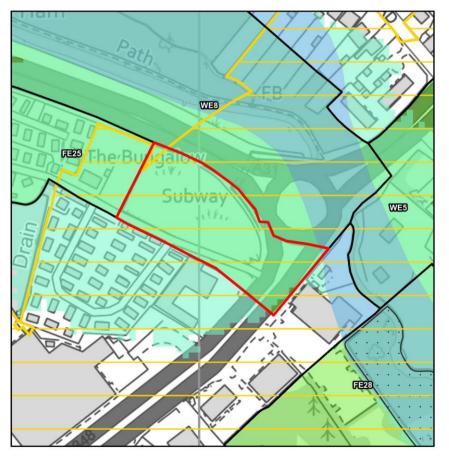
This is washed over development in the countryside. The parcel is relatively developed and has a significant amount of residential development within it. There is weak distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which reduces the extent to which development would be perceived as encroachment on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

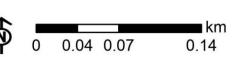
 Purpose 4 - Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.

 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: 1.09ha

The parcel is located on the north eastern boundary of Ferndown. 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 parcel is open, comprising of a small area of grassland and shrubland adjacent to Palmersford Roundabout.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The whole of the parcel is located in close proximity to the urban area and the road to the south provides only weak separation from the inset area. Furthermore, the parcel is largely contained by urban development due to the presence of Palmersford Roundabout to the northeast and West Moors to the north, which results in views being dominated by the urban area. Overall there is weak distinction between the parcel and the urban area.

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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: Relatively strong

The parcel is open and lies in a gap which is very narrow, but which maintains clear separation between neighbouring towns of Ferndown/West Parley and West Moors to the north. Although the settlement gap is very 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 relatively strong contribution to preventing the merging of neighbouring

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

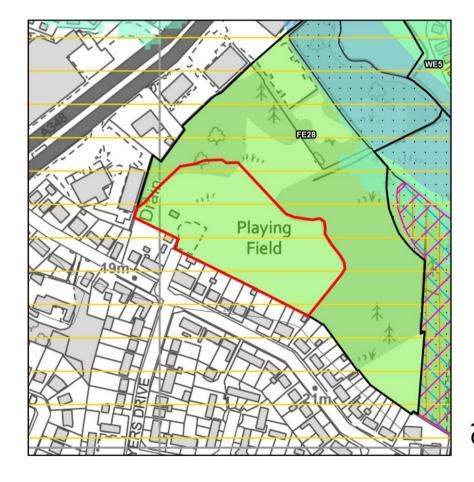
The parcel is open countryside. There is weak distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which reduces the extent to which development would be perceived as encroachment on the countryside. Overall the area makes a moderate contribution to safeguarding the countryside from encroachment.

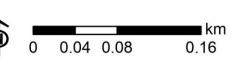
 Purpose 4 - Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any
historic towns.

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

Contribution: Equal







Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 1.54ha

The parcel is located on the north eastern edge of Ferndown. 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 recreational sports grounds.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

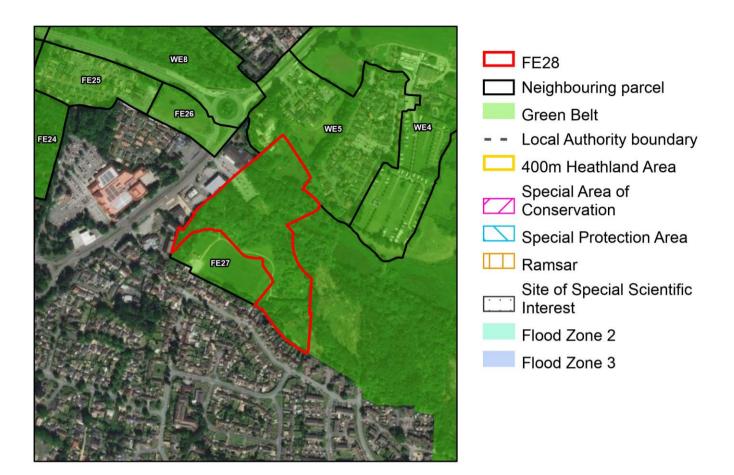
Although neither the countryside nor the urban area dominates views, the parcel is largely contained by urban development and the garden boundaries on the southern edge of the parcel are only a weak boundary feature, creating little separation from Ferndown. In addition, land is in close proximity to the inset area. Overall there is weak distinction between the parcel and the urban area.

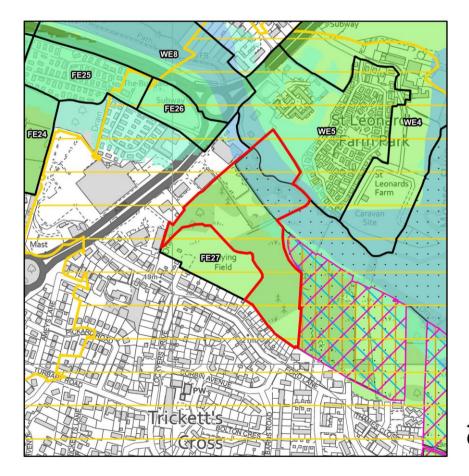
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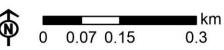
Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
 Contribution: Weak/No
 Land is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with
 it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large
 built-up area.

- Purpose 2 Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another: Contribution: Moderate Land is open and is associated, albeit peripherally, with a very narrow gap between Ferndown/West Parley and West Moors. 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: Relatively weak
 Land is open but is characterised by uses including recreational sports
 grounds, which are associated with the urban area and diminish the
 extent to which it 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: 4.74ha

The parcel is located on the north eastern edge of Ferndown. 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 Moors River System SSSI overlaps the northern part of the parcel. Additionally, the Dorset Heaths SAC and Parley Common SSSI lies adjacent to the eastern boundary of the parcel.

The parcel is open, comprising of woodland in the west and north and shrubland in the east. There is part of a supermarket (Lidl) car park that overlaps the northern part of the parcel but this scale of development is not large enough to impact openness.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The whole of the parcel lies in close proximity to the inset area. The parcel is largely contained by commercial development to the west and northwest, but the tree cover within the parcel makes the land cover significantly different from the inset area. The forested land cover within the parcel also provides a strong boundary feature from Ferndown. 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

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: Relatively strong

The parcel is open and peripheral to a very narrow gap between Ferndown/West Parley and West Moors to the north. 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.

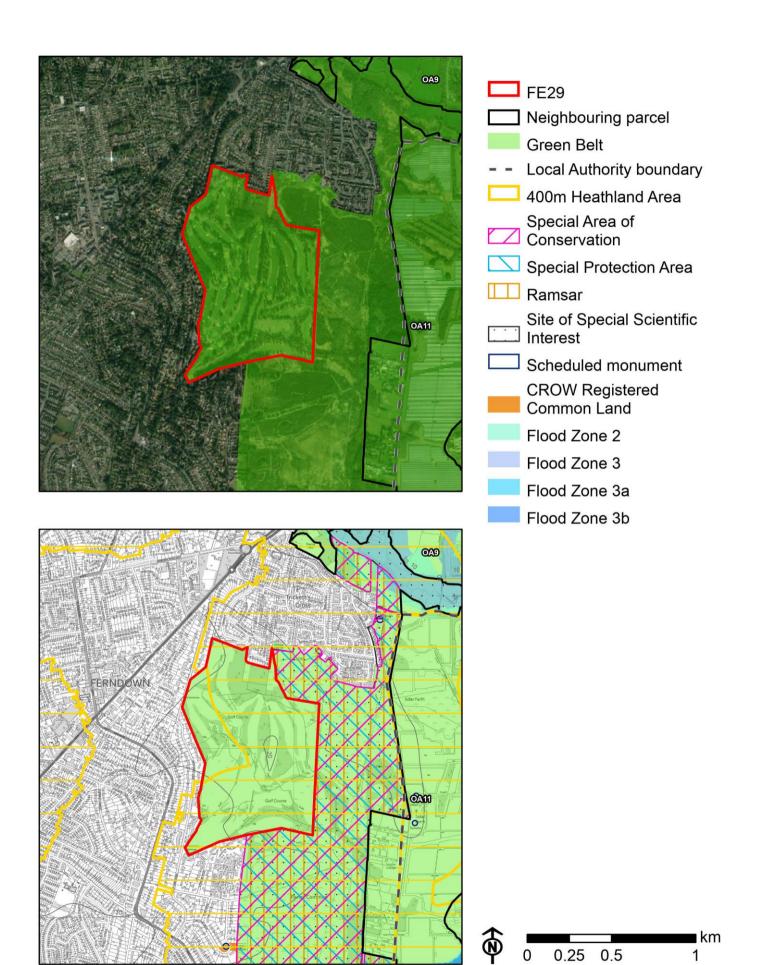
Purpose 3 - Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Relatively strong

The parcel is open countryside. The parcel has some relationship with 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: 71.12ha

The parcel is located on the eastern edge of Ferndown. 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 parcel is largely contained on its eastern edge by the Dorset Heaths Special Area of Conservation, Dorset Heathlands Ramsar site, and West Parley Site of Special Scientific Interest.

Land is open and is dominated by a golf course.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

Tree cover is relatively prominent within the parcel, which provides some distinction from the settlement. The tree line on the western edge of the parcel acts as a moderate boundary feature, creating separation from Ferndown. The parcel extends a significant distance from the inset area, is not contained by urban development and therefore views are dominated 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: Weak/No
 Land does not lie between neighbouring towns.

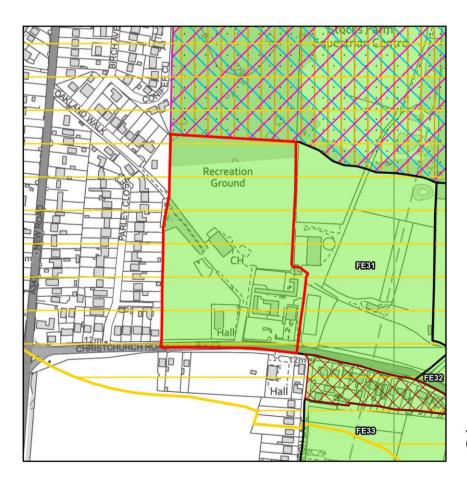
Purpose 3 - Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Strong
 Land is open countryside and there is very strong distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which increases the extent to which development would be perceived as encroachment on the countryside.
 Overall 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: 6.56ha

The parcel is located on the eastern edge of West Parley. 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. Parley Common SSSI lies to the north of the parcel.

The parcel is open, comprising of grass sports pitches associated with Parley Country Club in the north and grassland in the south associated with West Parley Memorial Hall. The scale of development in the parcel is not considered large enough to impact openness.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The field boundary, tree cover and road at the southern inset edge and tree cover at the western inset edge do create a moderate degree of separation from the urban area. The parcel is subject to some degree of urban containment by enclosing residential development to the south (including future development planned for this allocated site). However, neither the countryside nor the urban area dominates views. Overall there is moderate distinction between the parcel and the urban area. Development of the currently open land within the inset settlement to the south 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: Relatively weak
 The parcel is open and is peripheral to a moderate gap between
 Ferndown/West Parley and Bournemouth to the south. 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: Moderate
 Land is open and is characterised by recreational uses which are
 associated with the urban area and diminish the extent to which it is
 perceived as countryside. 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.

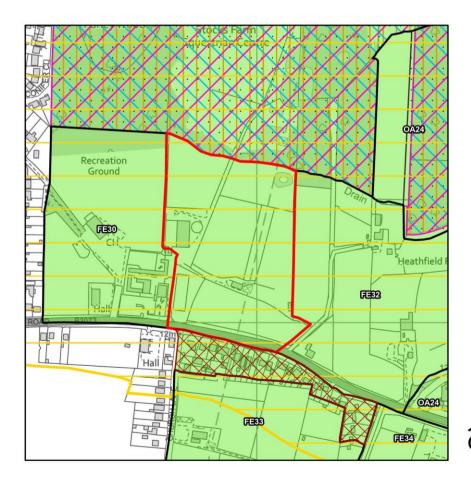
 Purpose 4 - Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.

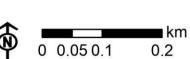
 Purpose 5 - Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:

Contribution: Equal









Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 6.52ha

The parcel is located on the eastern edge of West Parley. 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. Parley Common SSSI lies to the north of the parcel.

The parcel is open, comprising of agricultural fields. Stocks Farm Equestrian Centre is located in the west of the parcel but is not large enough to impact openness.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The field boundary, tree cover and road at the south inset edge and tree cover at the western inset edge do create a moderate degree of separation from the urban area. The parcel is subject to some degree of urban containment by enclosing residential development to the south. However, views are dominated by open countryside within the parcel due to the screening that tree cover provides in the west. 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.

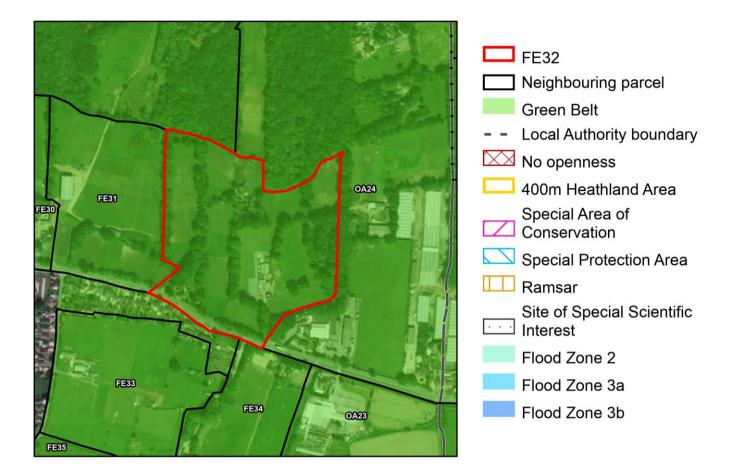
Purpose 2 - Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
 Contribution: Relatively weak
 The parcel is open. It lies in a wide gap between Ferndown/West Parley
 and Christchurch, which is reduced by urbanising development at
 Bournemouth Airport, but which has Hurn Forest and the Moors River
 forming 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.

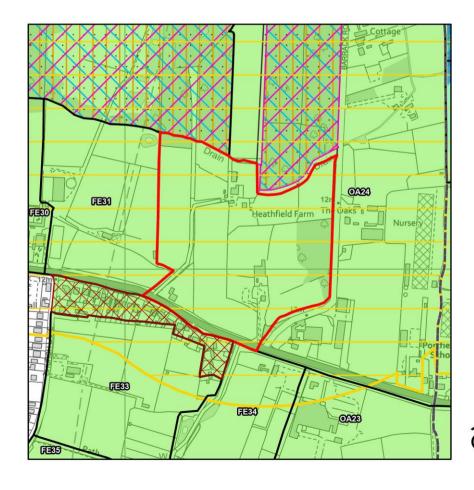
Purpose 3 - Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Relatively strong
 The parcel is open countryside. The parcel has some relationship with
 the inset area, but also a degree of distinction from it. Overall the area
 makes a relatively strong contribution to safeguarding 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: 9.66ha

The parcel is located to the east of West Parley. 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. Parley Common SSSI lies to the north of the parcel.

The parcel is open, comprising of a patchwork of agricultural fields. There are agricultural use buildings in the central region and farmhouses in the north of the parcel, but these are considered to be an 'appropriate use' in the Green Belt. There is one residential property in the southwest of the parcel, but this scale of development is not considered to be large enough to impact openness.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The multiple field boundaries to the west provides strong separation from the inset area of West Parley and the parcel extends a significant distance from the urban area. The parcel is not contained by urban development and therefore views are dominated by 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

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. It lies in a wide gap between Ferndown/West Parley and Christchurch, which is reduced by urbanising development at Bournemouth Airport, but which has Hurn Forest and the Moors River forming significant separating features. Although the settlement gap is robust, 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 moderate contribution to preventing the merging of neighbouring towns.

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

The parcel is open countryside. 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.

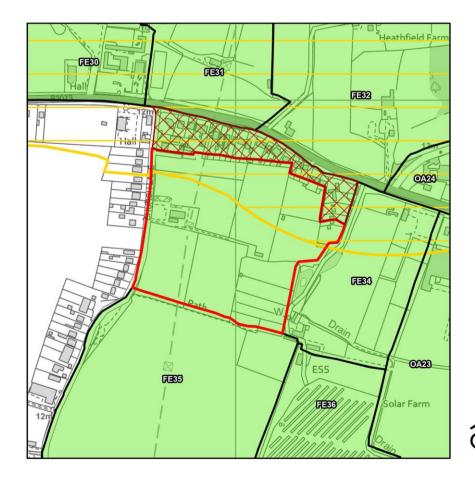
 Purpose 4 - Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.

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

Contribution: Equal









Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 7.01ha

The parcel is located on the eastern edge of West Parley. 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 south of the parcel is identified as a Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace.

The parcel is open, comprising of agricultural fields and agricultural use buildings in the west, which are considered to be an 'appropriate use' in the Green Belt.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The road on the western boundary of the parcel provides only weak separation from the inset area, which comprises of a row of residential development and a committed development site further to the west. The parcel is subject to some degree of containment by enclosing residential development to the north. This results in neither the countryside nor the urban area dominating views. Overall there is moderate distinction between the parcel and the urban area, and development of the currently open land within the inset settlement to the west 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 relatively close to Bournemouth, part of the South East Dorset Conurbation, but has a stronger relationship with West Parley. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large built-up area.

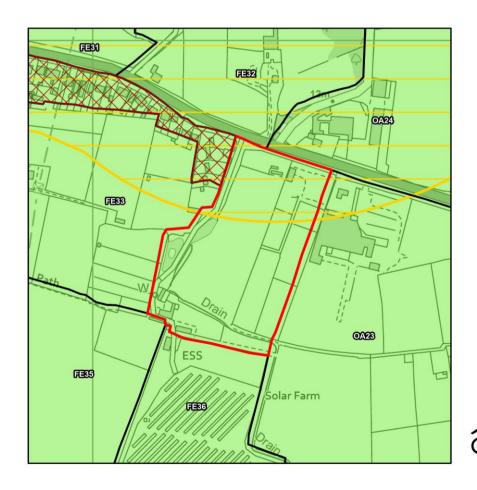
• Purpose 2 - Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another: Contribution: Moderate The parcel is open and peripheral to a narrow gap between Ferndown/West Parley and Bournemouth to the south. The parcel has some relationship with the inset area, but also a degree of distinction from it. Overall the area makes a moderate contribution to preventing the merging of neighbouring towns.

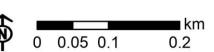
- Purpose 3 Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment: Contribution: Relatively strong The parcel is open countryside. The parcel has some relationship with the inset area, but also a degree of distinction from it. Overall the area makes a relatively strong contribution to safeguarding 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: 4.65ha

The parcel is located to the east of West Parley. 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 parcel is open, comprising of an agricultural field.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The field boundary to the west and a further field boundary further west at the inset edge provide a moderate degree of separation from the urban area. The parcel is located a significant distance from the inset area, but there are still views of urban development due to a garden centre to the east and residential development to the northwest. The development to the east is for horticultural purposes and therefore does not result in urban containment of the parcel. 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
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 Conurbation, but has a stronger relationship with West Parley. Therefore
 development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large built-up area.

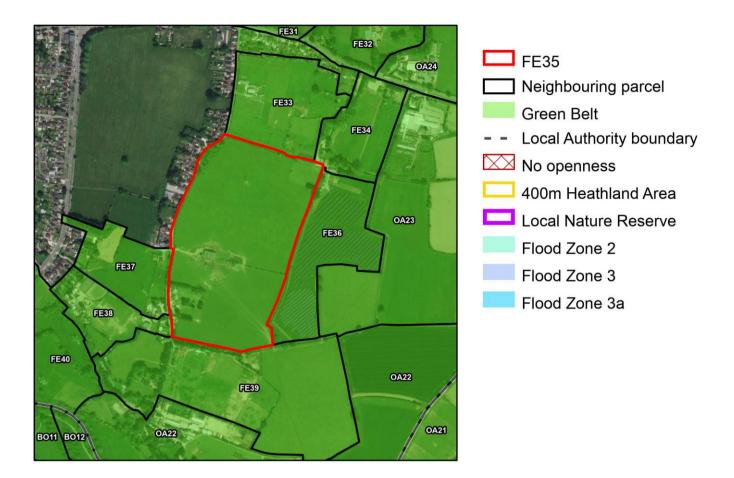
Purpose 2 - Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
 Contribution: Relatively strong
 The parcel is open and peripheral to a narrow gap between
 Ferndown/West Parley and Bournemouth to the south. There is strong distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which increases the extent 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.

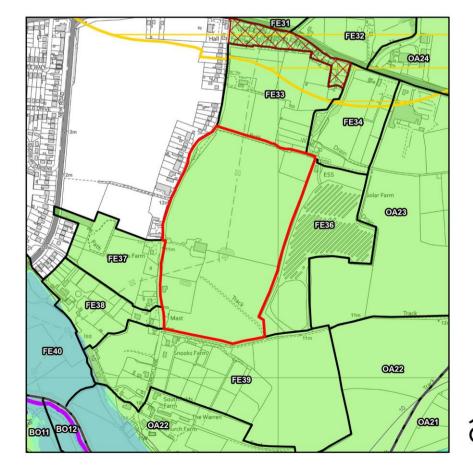
Purpose 3 - Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Strong
 The parcel is open countryside. There is strong distinction between the
 parcel and the inset area, which increases the extent to which
 development would be perceived as encroachment on the countryside.
 Overall 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: 17.6ha

The parcel is located to the east of West Parley. 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 majority of the parcel is identified as a Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace.

The parcel is open, comprising of agricultural fields. There is an agricultural use building in the central region of the parcel, but this is considered to be an 'appropriate use' in the Green Belt. There is a residential property in the southwest of the parcel, but this scale of development is not large enough to impact openness.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The road on the western boundary of the parcel provides only weak separation from the inset area. Although there is some development to the east, this solar farm is not considered to create urban containment. Views from the parcel are dominated by open countryside. Overall there is moderate distinction between the parcel and the urban area. Development of the currently open land within the inset settlement to the west is unlikely to weaken this distinction.

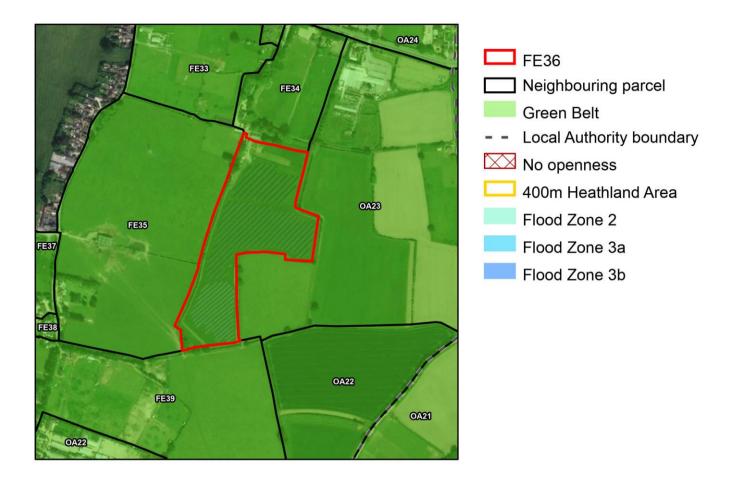
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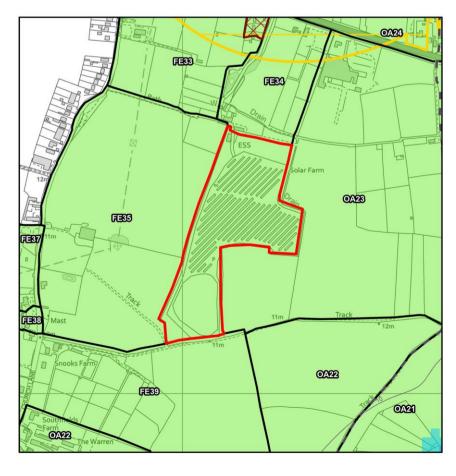
 Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas: Contribution: Weak/No Land is relatively close to Bournemouth, part of the South East Dorset Conurbation, but has a stronger relationship with West Parley. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large built-up area.

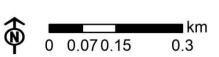
• Purpose 2 - Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another: Contribution: Moderate The parcel is open and peripheral to a narrow gap between Ferndown/West Parley and Bournemouth to the south. The parcel has some relationship with the inset area, but also a degree of distinction from it. Overall 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. 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: 7.19ha

The parcel is located to the east of West Parley. 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 west of the parcel is identified as a Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace.

The parcel is relatively open but has a solar farm development within it.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The field boundary on the western side of the parcel and the road at the inset edge further to the west provide a moderate degree of separation from the urban area. The parcel is located a significant distance from the inset settlement and therefore views are dominated by open countryside. The parcel is not contained by urban development. 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 relatively close to Bournemouth, part of the South East Dorset
 Conurbation, but has a stronger relationship with West Parley. 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

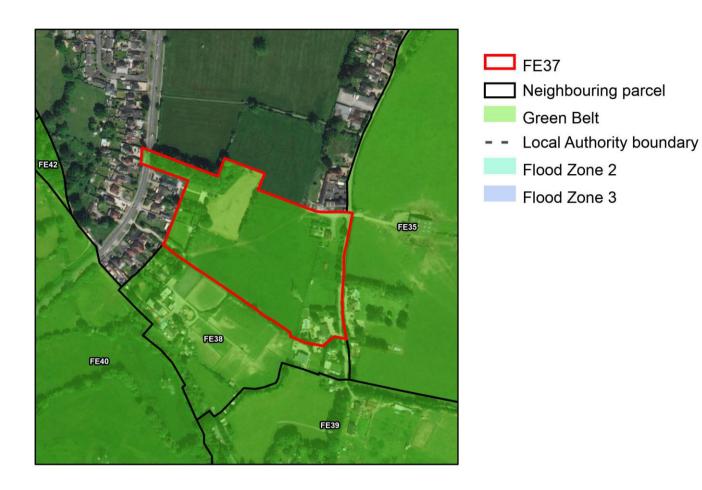
The parcel is relatively open but has a solar farm development within it. The parcel is peripheral to a narrow gap between Ferndown/West Parley and Bournemouth to the south. There is strong distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which increases the extent to which development would be perceived as narrowing the gap. Overall the area makes a moderate contribution to preventing the merging of neighbouring towns.

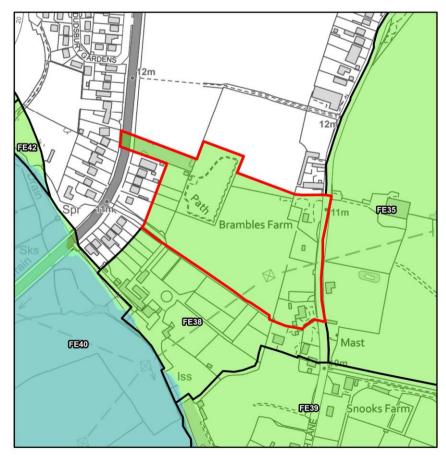
Purpose 3 - Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Relatively strong
 The parcel is relatively open but has a solar farm development within it
 and is still considered to be countryside. There is strong distinction
 between the parcel and the inset area, which increases the extent to
 which development would be perceived as encroachment on the
 countryside. Overall the area makes a 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: 4.54ha

The parcel is located on the south eastern edge of West Parley. 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 majority of the parcel is identified as a Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace.

The parcel is open comprising of agricultural fields and some gardens in the west associated with residential gardens. There are two residential properties in the east of the parcel, but this scale of development is not considered large enough to impact openness.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The parcel has some degree of urban containment due to the presence of residential development to the west and inset land to the north which is allocated but as yet undeveloped. Although neither the countryside nor the urban area dominates views, the parcel lies in close proximity to the inset area and the garden boundaries at the inset edge provide only weak separation from 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
 Land is relatively close to Bournemouth, part of the South East Dorset
 Conurbation, but has a stronger relationship with West Parley. Therefore
 development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large built-up area.

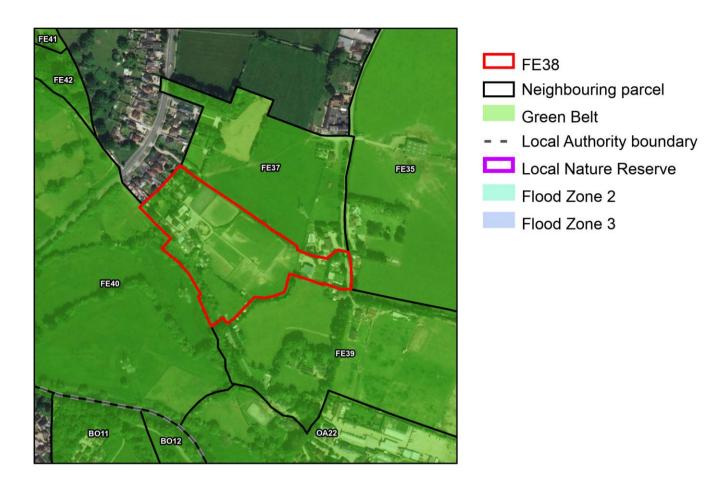
Purpose 2 - Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
 Contribution: Relatively weak
 The parcel is open and peripheral to a narrow gap between
 Ferndown/West Parley and Bournemouth to the south. There is weak
 distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which reduces the
 extent to which development would be perceived as narrowing the gap.
 Overall the area makes a relatively weak contribution to preventing the
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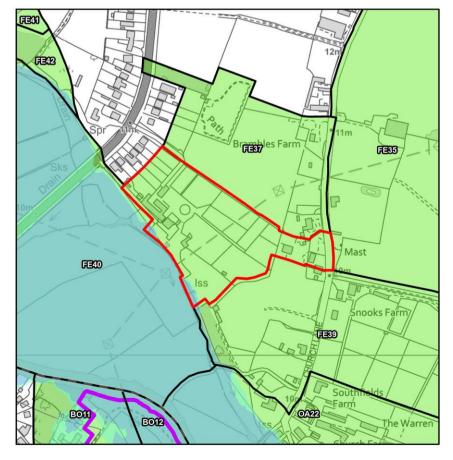
Purpose 3 - Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Moderate
 The parcel is open countryside. There is weak distinction between the
 parcel and the inset area, which reduces the extent to which development
 would be perceived as encroachment on the countryside. Overall 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: 3.63ha

The parcel is located on the south eastern edge of West Parley. 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 north of the parcel is identified as a Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace.

The parcel is open, comprising of agricultural field and some gardens associated with residential properties in the inset area. There is a scrap yard in the west of the parcel and a residential property in the east, but this scale of development is not large enough to impact openness.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The parcel is not contained by urban development and it extends a reasonable distance from the inset settlement but the garden boundaries at the inset edge provide only a weak degree of separation. As a result, 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 relatively close to Bournemouth, part of the South East Dorset
 Conurbation, but has a stronger relationship with West Parley. Therefore
 development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large built-up area.

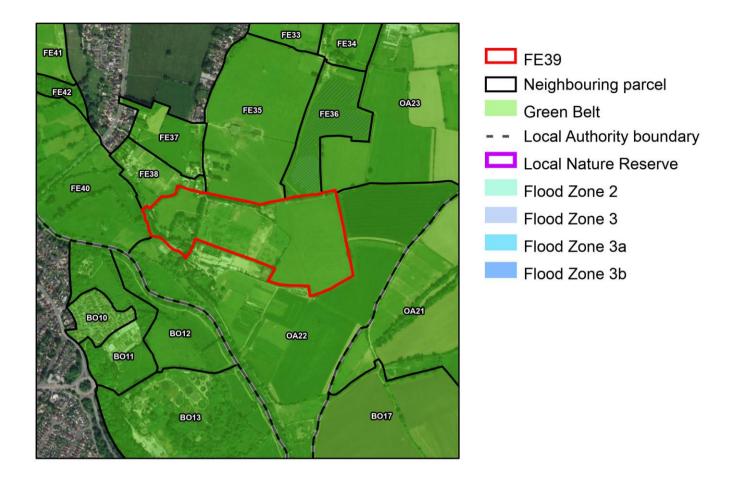
Purpose 2 - Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
 Contribution: Relatively strong
 The parcel is open and lies on the periphery of a gap which is very
 narrow, but which maintains clear separation between neighbouring
 Ferndown/West Parley and Bournemouth to the south. The River Stour
 and its floodplain are significant separating features. The parcel has
 some relationship with the inset area, but also a degree of distinction
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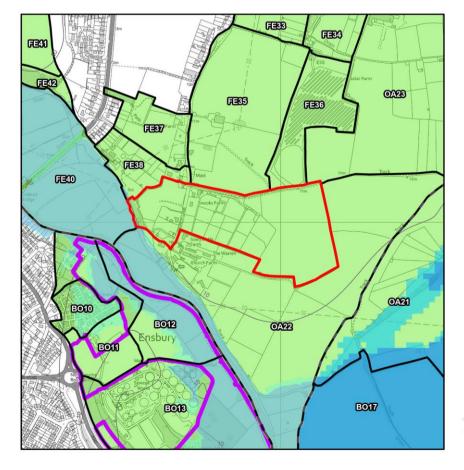
Purpose 3 - Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Relatively strong
 The parcel is open countryside. The parcel has some relationship with
 the inset area, but also a degree of distinction from it. Overall the area
 makes a relatively strong contribution to safeguarding the countryside
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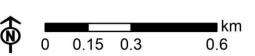
 Purpose 4 - Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns: Contribution: Weak/No
 The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.

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

Contribution: Equal







Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 16.21ha

The parcel is located to the southeast of West Parley. 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 north of the parcel is identified as a Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace.

The parcel is open, comprising of agricultural fields. There are several residential properties in the southwest of the parcel, but this scale of development is not large enough to impact openness. There is a farmstead in the north of the parcel, but this is considered to be an 'appropriate use' in the Green Belt.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The parcel is located a significant distance to the southeast of the inset settlement and therefore views of open countryside dominate. There are enough field boundaries between the parcel and the urban area to create a strong degree of separation. Furthermore, the parcel is not contained by urban development. 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 relatively close to Bournemouth, part of the South East Dorset
 Conurbation, but has a stronger relationship with West Parley. 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 gap which is narrow, but which maintains clear separation between neighbouring towns of Ferndown/West Parley and Bournemouth. The River Stour to the south and its floodplain 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.

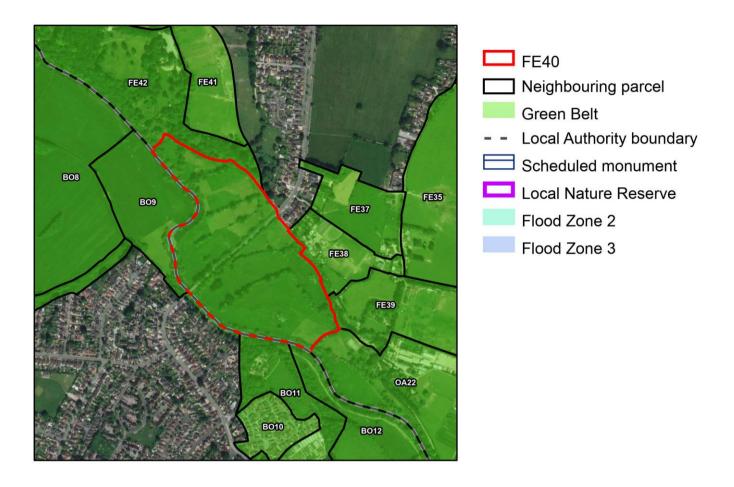
Purpose 3 - Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
 Contribution: Strong

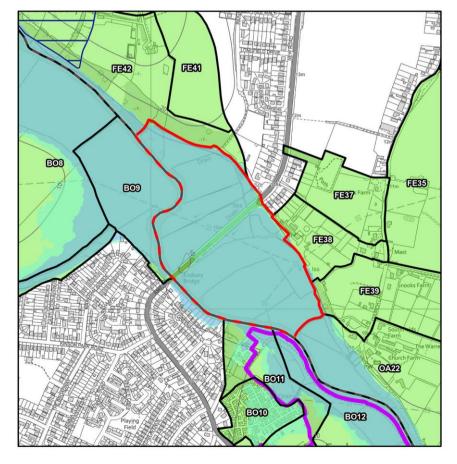
The parcel is open countryside. There is very strong distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which increases the extent to which development would be perceived as encroachment on the countryside. Overall the area makes a strong contribution to safeguarding the countryside from encroachment.

 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: 16.97ha

The parcel is located on the southern edge of West Parley and on the northern edge of Bournemouth. 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 fields divided by hedgerows, tree lines and New Road. A single building is located in the northeast of the parcel; however, this development is not large enough in scale to impact openness.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The River Stour bounding the southwest of the parcel is a strong boundary feature creating separation from the inset settlement of Bournemouth. However, the track and garden boundaries marking the edge of the parcel with the inset settlement of West Parley to the north are weak boundary features, creating little separation from the inset area. In addition, the land has some degree of containment by urban development within Bournemouth and West Parley. Therefore, neither the countryside nor the urban area dominates views. Moreover, the flat floodplain grasslands within the parcel provides some distinction from the inset settlements. Overall there is moderate distinction between the parcel and the urban area or West Parley, but strong distinction from Bournemouth.

Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

- Purpose 1 Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
 Contribution: Strong
 Land is open and is adjacent to Bournemouth, part of the large built-up
 area of the South East Dorset conurbation. There is strong distinction
 between the parcel and Bournemouth. There is strong distinction
 between the parcel and the inset area, which increases the extent to
 which development would be perceived as sprawl of the large built-up
 area. Overall the area makes a strong contribution to checking the sprawl
 of the large built up area.
- Purpose 2 Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
 Contribution: Strong
 Land is open and lies in a gap which is very narrow, but which maintains clear separation between Bournemouth and Ferndown/West Parley.
 There is moderate distinction between the parcel and Ferndown/West Parley, but strong distinction from Bournemouth, and the parcel makes a strong contribution to preventing the sprawl of both settlements. 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. There is moderate distinction between the parcel and Ferndown/West Parley, so the parcel makes a relatively strong contribution to preventing encroachment from the north, but there is strong distinction from Bournemouth, so the parcel makes a strong contribution to preventing encroachment from the south. 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