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## Local Responsibilities and Commitment

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## Executive Summary: Air Quality in Our Area

### Air Quality in Dorset

Breathing in polluted air affects our health and costs the NHS and our society billions of pounds each year. Air pollution is recognised as a contributing factor in the onset of heart disease and cancer and can cause a range of health impacts, including effects on lung function, exacerbation of asthma, increases in hospital admissions and mortality.

Air pollution particularly affects the most vulnerable in society, children, the elderly, and those with existing heart and lung conditions. Low-income communities are also disproportionately impacted by poor air quality, exacerbating health and social inequalities.

Table ES 1 provides a brief explanation of the key pollutants relevant to Local Air Quality Management and the kind of activities they might arise from.

**Table ES 1 - Description of Key Pollutants**

Pollutant	Description
Nitrogen Dioxide (NO <sub>2</sub> )	Nitrogen dioxide is a gas which is generally emitted from high-temperature combustion processes such as road transport or energy generation.
Sulphur Dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> )	Sulphur dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> ) is a corrosive gas which is predominantly produced from the combustion of coal or crude oil.
Particulate Matter (PM <sub>10</sub> and PM <sub>2.5</sub> )	<p>Particulate matter is everything in the air that is not a gas.</p> <p>Particles can come from natural sources such as pollen, as well as human made sources such as smoke from fires, emissions from industry and dust from tyres and brakes.</p> <p>PM<sub>10</sub> refers to particles under 10 micrometres. Fine particulate matter or PM<sub>2.5</sub> are particles under 2.5 micrometres.</p>

### Actions to Improve Air Quality

Whilst air quality has improved significantly in recent decades, there are some areas where local action is needed to protect people and the environment from the effects of air pollution.

The government's Environmental Improvement Plan sets out actions that will drive continued improvements to air quality and to meet the new national interim and long-term targets for fine particulate matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub>), the pollutant of most harmful to human health. The Air Quality Strategy provides more information on local authorities' responsibilities to work towards these new targets and reduce fine particulate matter in their areas.

The Road to Zero details the Government's approach to reduce exhaust emissions from road transport through a number of mechanisms, in balance with the needs of the local community. This is extremely important given that cars are the most popular mode of personal travel and the majority of Air Quality Management Areas (AQMAs) are designated due to elevated concentrations heavily influenced by transport emissions.

Primary actions taken to improve air quality in Dorset principally revolve around the Air Quality Action Plan for Chideock and the harmonisation and streamlining of air quality monitoring practices between teams. National Highways (formerly Highways England), who hold responsibility for actions regarding the A35 trunk road passing through Dorset – the principal source of NO<sub>2</sub> emissions in the AQMA in Chideock – have seen success also with the extension of the 30mph speed limit and its permanent implementation. This means the speed limit can now be enforced. Dorset Council continue to work with our colleagues at National Highways, as well as our own Highways Department, Public Health Dorset, elected members and Parish Councils.

Further working has been undertaken as part of a DEFRA-funded project to monitor and quantify emissions from solid-fuel burning appliances. This sought to quantify PM emissions in locales with higher numbers of solid-fuel burners and measure the impact of behaviour change initiatives and campaigns. This project was completed in summer/autumn 2024, and report prepared and published in early 2025. Partners in Public Health and Litter Free Dorset are partnering with Environmental Protection to further extend anti-idling schemes outside schools, and to extend the school-streets programme which closes roads around schools at drop-off and pick-up times.

## Conclusions and Priorities

In general, concentrations of NO<sub>2</sub> at monitoring locations showed reductions on 2022 concentrations. Given 2022 was the first year since 2019 without COVID-19 travel restrictions, this is taken to be an accurate reflection of "normal" air pollution conditions. With 2022 indicating reduced concentrations from 2019, 2024 showed a continuation of this trend. In some cases, 2024 concentrations exceeded 2023, however these remained marginal.

Two exceedances of the AQO were detected. Both of these exceedances occurred within the Chideock AQMA, at locations W39 and H6. H7 also demonstrated concentrations within 10% of the AQO, and neither W39 nor H7 lost this designation when corrected for distance. The AQMA at Chideock will remain in place. All sites in Chideock show reductions compared to 2022, demonstrating a continuation of the downward trend occurring since 2019.

The AQMA at Dorchester continues to detect low concentrations of NO<sub>2</sub>, such that revocation of the AQMA was undertaken during late 2024. Monitoring will continue to ensure concentrations remain lowered. Sites within the Bridport East Road area remain below 2022 levels, with no sites within 10% of the AQO.

Sites in Weymouth, including the Boot Hill area largely show improved air quality on 2023, with some sites showing increases in concentrations. No sites show exceedances of the AQO, or concentrations within 10% of it. Monitoring will continue during 2025 with further provision planned for the Boot Hill area.

Air Quality in both former East Dorset and Purbeck districts remains very good, with no identified AQMAs, areas for concern, exceedances or sites within 10% of the AQO. All sites continue the downward trend from 2022 concentrations, however these sites remain less than, or in proximity to, half of the annual mean. Monitoring continues to take place, with careful consideration given to sites near significant developments and those guided by public and member requests.

No exceedances of the PM<sub>10</sub> annual mean objective were detected across two sites in Dorset, with neither having 24-hour means over 50µg/m<sup>3</sup>. Beaminster's annual mean continued to demonstrate a downwards trend, and concentrations in Ferndown returned to levels broadly consistent with a downwards trend since 2019. All monitors were decommissioned in late 2024, to be replaced in other Dorset locations to supplement passive monitoring.

Annual mean PM<sub>2.5</sub> levels show a mixed picture across Dorset, with a general downward trend. Beaminster concentrations continue to fall on pandemic levels, demonstrating clearly an anomalously low 2022 result. Ferndown has remained consistent with 2023 concentrations, and overall, the PM<sub>2.5</sub> outlook in Dorset remains good, with all sites remaining below the future 2040 target of 10µg/m<sup>3</sup>. This is advised with caution however.

We continue to work with other council services including Highways and Planning, the Environment Agency and local businesses by way of the permitting regime to ensure that air quality is continually reviewed.

## How to get Involved

Our Local Plan states “Everyone has a role to play in tackling climate change and in adapting to its impacts. Community based initiatives such as local car share schemes, village hall investments, biofuel utilisation, community emergency support and renewable energy part ownership will be supported by the Council. Neighbourhood plans may address the adaptation and mitigation of climate change at the community level as recognition that all neighbourhoods can contribute towards tackling climate change in a way which is appropriate to their local area.”

The Dorset Council website <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/travel/travel.aspx> includes measures the public can actively use to improve air quality within the area, these include matters such as interactive cycle maps, adult cycle training and walking routes and trails.

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# 1 Local Air Quality Management

This report provides an overview of air quality in Dorset during 2024. It fulfils the requirements of Local Air Quality Management (LAQM) as set out in Part IV of the Environment Act (1995), as amended by the Environment Act (2021), and the relevant Policy and Technical Guidance documents.

The LAQM process places an obligation on all local authorities to regularly review and assess air quality in their areas, and to determine whether or not the air quality objectives are likely to be achieved. Where an exceedance is considered likely the local authority must declare an Air Quality Management Area (AQMA) and prepare an Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP) setting out the measures it intends to put in place in order to achieve and maintain the objectives and the dates by which each measure will be carried out. This Annual Status Report (ASR) is an annual requirement showing the strategies employed by Dorset to improve air quality and any progress that has been made.

The statutory air quality objectives applicable to LAQM in England are presented in Table E.1.

## 2 Actions to Improve Air Quality

### 2.1 Air Quality Management Areas

Air Quality Management Areas (AQMA) are declared when there is an exceedance or likely exceedance of an air quality objective. After declaration, the authority should prepare an Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP) within 18 months. The AQAP should specify how air quality targets will be achieved and maintained, and provide dates by which measures will be carried out.

A summary of AQMA declared by Dorset can be found in Table 2.1. The table presents a description of the AQMA that is currently designated within Dorset. Appendix D: Map(s) of Monitoring Locations and AQMA provides maps of the AQMA and also the air quality monitoring locations in relation to the AQMA. The air quality objectives pertinent to the current AQMA designation is as follows:

- NO<sub>2</sub> annual mean;

The AQMA formerly covering High East Street in Dorchester was revoked during 2024. Monitoring continues within its former boundaries.

**Table 2.1 – Declared Air Quality Management Areas**

AQMA Name	Date of Declaration	Pollutants and Air Quality Objectives	One Line Description	Is air quality in the AQMA influenced by roads controlled by Highways England?	Level of Exceedance: Declaration	Level of Exceedance: Current Year	Number of Years Compliant with Air Quality Objective	Name and Date of AQAP Publication	Web Link to AQAP
AQMA Chideock	May 2007, Amended March 2012	NO <sub>2</sub> Annual Mean	A35 in Chideock	YES	45.5	59.0	0	Chideock Air Quality Action Plan, 2022	<a href="#">Link</a>

☒ Dorset confirm the information on UK-Air regarding their AQMA(s) is up to date

☒ Dorset confirm that all current AQAPs have been submitted to Defra

## 2.2 Progress and Impact of Measures to address Air Quality in Dorset

Defra's appraisal of last year's ASR concluded:

*The report is well structured, detailed, and provides the information specified in the Guidance. The following comments are designed to help inform future reports:*

- 1. The Dorchester AQMA is missing from the LAQM Portal.*
- 2. A significant number of charts have been provided to highlight the annual mean concentrations in different areas since 2019. This is helpful in highlighting any trends and potential hotspots. It may be useful for the Council to include a line highlighting the annual mean objectives where appropriate.*
- 3. The following formatting errors are noted:*
  - a. The bias adjustment factor should be added to the headers in Table B.1.*
  - b. As monitoring has not been undertaken the Boot Hill monitoring site since 2018, this does not need to be included within the report tables.*
- 4. Additional discussion has been provided regarding measures to reduce PM<sub>2.5</sub> emissions. This includes discussion regarding the modelled Defra backgrounds, which show a maximum PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentration of 14.8 µg/m<sup>3</sup> within Dorset (2019). The Council should continue these discussions in future ASRs. It may also be beneficial to discuss the Public Health Outcomes Framework indicator D01 (fraction of mortality attributable to particulate matter).*
- 5. Figures have been included to highlight the location of monitoring sites. These figures are clear and the locations of monitoring sites are easy to read. A scale bar and north arrow could be added to these figures for completeness.*
- 6. The Council are commended for including comments from the previous ASR appraisal and have clearly taken on board the feedback. The Council should continue to do so in future reports.*

Dorset Council has taken forward a number of direct measures during the current reporting year of 2024 in pursuit of improving local air quality. Details of all measures

completed, in progress or planned are set out in Table 2.2. 28 measures are included within Table 2.2, with the type of measure and the progress Dorset Council have made during the reporting year of 2024 presented. Where there have been, or continue to be, barriers restricting the implementation of the measure, these are also presented within Table 2.2.

More detail on these measures can be found in their respective Action Plans. Key completed measures are:

- Implementation and enforcement of the 30mph speed limit on Chideock Hill in partnership with National Highways and Dorset Police.
- Conclusion and publishing of the DEFRA-funded solid-fuel burning project, in both report form, and as dissertation by lead author.
- Increasing our provision of PM monitoring to include urban locations likely to be sensitive to PM pollution by repurposing AQMesh monitors used for solid fuel burning project
- Information and marketing campaign to improve solid fuel burning behaviours
- Renewal of Dorset Council pool-car fleet to include new plug-in electric vehicles
- Installation of 10 charging points for use by council staff, and wider roll-out of charging points in Council-owned car parks
- Exploration of anti-idling, school street and traffic management schemes to improve roadside air quality.

Dorset Council worked to implement these measures in partnership with the following stakeholders during 2024:

- Neighbouring local authorities;
- National Highways
- Public Health Dorset
- Local and national transport authorities
- Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue
- Dorset Police
- South West Ambulance Trust
- NHS

Whilst the measures stated above and in Table 2.2 will help to contribute towards compliance, Dorset Council anticipates that further additional measures not yet prescribed

will be required in subsequent years to achieve compliance and enable the revocation of Chideock AQMA.

### **Low Carbon Dorset Programme**

The programme is run by Dorset Council and aims to help improve energy efficiency, increase the use of renewable energy, and aid the development of new low carbon products. Dorset based businesses, public sector and community organisations can access free support and a fund pot of over £2.15m to help improve energy efficiency and develop renewable energy projects. <https://www.lowcarbondorset.org.uk/>

### **Climate Strategy and Ecological Action Plan**

Dorset Council declared a Climate and Ecological Emergency in 2019 and established an Executive Advisory Panel to strategically guide the Councils response. A Climate and Ecological Emergency Strategy was produced in July 2020 which presented 8 key areas for action to ensure that Dorset Council becomes Carbon Neutral by 2040 and the Dorset Council Area by 2050 <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/climate-emergency>

Measures within the Action Plan will positively affect air quality throughout the Dorset Council area, and include:

- Ensure access to sustainable transport is considered in planning applications
- Investigate potential for small scale park & ride hubs with electric vehicle charging point availability
- Encourage decarbonisation of road transport through development of public EV charging network & promotion of ultra low emissions vehicles
- Expand cycle training and independent travel training programmes, and
- Explore introduction of a bike share scheme in larger settlements

### **Dorset Council Local Plan**

Currently, Dorset Council is working on the new Local Plan to shape society, economy and the environment over a 15 year period. Consultation on it commenced early 2021, in readiness for its adoption in 2027.

The plan will:

- Protect and enhance Dorset's natural environment and biodiversity
- Deliver suitable housing to Dorset's needs

- Work to provide residents with a good quality of life with high quality and well designed developments
- Provide cycle ways and access to the countryside

Information can be found via <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/w/the-local-development-scheme-for-dorset-council-march-2024#introduction>

## Planning Applications

The Environmental Protection Team review all referred and validated planning applications for their air quality impact. Relevant guidance is followed when reviewing these applications, i.e. Land-Use Planning and Development Control: Planning for Air Quality, January 2017 (EPUK and IAQM). Where there is a potential adverse impact, or the development introduces new sensitive receptors within an AQMA, an air quality impact assessment is required. Where this identifies a significant adverse impact on air quality or human health then mitigation measures are required.

## Local Transport Plan 3 2011 – 2026

The Local Transport Plan 3 (LTP3) is a statutory document which sets out a strategy for the management, maintenance and development of the County's transport system. It sets out a way forward to deliver transport needs through short, medium and long term transport solutions and how transport can improve safety and health, support the local economy, protect the environment and reduce carbon emissions and pollution. The LTP3 came into effect in April 2011 and has been produced for the whole of Bournemouth, Poole and Dorset. It covers the period from 2011 to 2026 and is based on a longer term strategy (2011 – 2026) and shorter term implementation plan(s) (3 years). Further information can be found at <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/roads-highways-maintenance/transport-planning/local-transport-plan/local-transport-plan-3.aspx>

A new travel plan covering from 2026 onwards is in the creation phase, and environmental protection are consultees to feed into the process moving forwards. Initial discussions demonstrate a keenness from both officers and elected members to ensure air quality and its improvement is at the forefront of discussions.

## Travel choice

This is a County-wide initiative to raise awareness about the impacts of travel behaviour and to encourage people to make informed decisions about journeys they make. For example information is provided on interactive cycle maps, adult cycle training and walking

routes and trails. This initiative also promotes Car Share Dorset, an online tool to encourage and facilitate car sharing by matching journeys, run jointly by Dorset Council and Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole (BCP) Council. More information can be found <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/travel/travel.aspx> and <https://liftshare.com/uk/community/dorset>

## **Industrial Installations**

Certain industrial processes and activities which have the potential to cause pollution are required to have an Environmental Permit to operate. The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 were made under the Pollution Prevention and Control Act 1999 and prescribe those processes and activities which require a permit. These processes are split into three categories: Part A (1), Part A(2) and Part B and are regulated by the Environment Agency and local authorities.

A list of Permitted Processes in the Dorset Council area is available from <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/business-consumers-licences/licences-and-permits/environmental-permits/public-register-of-environmental-permits-in-west-dorset>



**Table 2.2 – Progress on Measures to Improve Air Quality**

Measure No.	Measure Title	Category	Classification	Year Measure Introduced in AQAP	Estimated / Actual Completion Date	Organisations Involved	Funding Source	Funding Status	Estimated Cost of Measure	Measure Status	Reduction in Pollutant / Emission from Measure	Key Performance Indicator	Progress to Date	Comments / Barriers to Implementation
1	Dorset Highways asset management plan (HAMP)	Transport Planning and Infrastructure	Public transport improvements- interchanges stations and services	2018	2022	DC	Capital	Funded		Completed			HAMP	
2	Low Carbon Travel Strategy	Promoting Low Emission Transport	Other	2011	2026	DC/BCP	Capital	Funded		Ongoing				2026
3	Promote and, as appropriate, implement road network improvements as identified through the Local Transport Plan and other related processes e.g. links to/from South West/Bristol/M4 e.g. A350/C13, road & rail links to/from Port of Poole and Weymouth/Portland Port, links to/from Bournemouth Airport.	Freight and Delivery Management	Route Management Plans/ Strategic routing strategy for HGV's	2017	2019	DC/BCP, DLEP, FQP, FTA, RHA, NH	Capital	Funded		Completed				Superseded by new HAMP
4	Sustainable Energy accross the Common Space (SEACS)	Promoting Low Emission Plant	Other measure for low emission fuels for stationary and mobile sources	2011	2021	Devon County Council Wiltshire Council 2 Local Uthority Partners from Brittany	INTERREG IV	Funded		Completed			Completed	Brexit
5	Dorset Solar Farm Community Benefits	Other	Other	2014	2016	Community Energy Team	Capital	Funded		Completed				
6	Expand EV Charging Points & other ultra-low emission fuel alternatives	Promoting Low Emission Transport	Procuring alternative Refuelling infrastructure to promote Low Emission Vehicles, EV recharging, Gas fuel recharging	ongoing		DC	Capital	Funded		Ongoing, but significant progress			10 points installed at County Hall, Dorchester	
7	Improve cycle infrastructure	Promoting Travel Alternatives	Promotion of cycling	2020		DC / BCP	Transforming Cities Fund	Funded		Implementation			Multiple new cycle routes and lanes in key commuting corridors	
8	Highways Maintenance	Traffic Management	Strategic highway improvements, Re-prioritising road space away from cars, including Access management, Selective vehicle priority, bus priority, high vehicle occupancy lane	2019			Capital	Funded		Implementation				
9	Lobby Govt for rail improvements	Promoting Travel Alternatives	Intensive active travel campaign & infrastructure	2019		DC	Capital	Funded		Implementation			Improvements via nationalisation of operator franchises	

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10	Respond to government calls and submit high quality grant applications	Promoting Travel Alternatives	Intensive active travel campaign & infrastructure	2019		DC	Capital	Funded		Implementation				
11	Redirect investment from strategic road schemes to low carbon transport	Promoting Low Emission Transport	Other	2019		DC with STB & LEP	Capital	Funded		Implementation				
12	Reinforce low carbon transport policies through statutory planning documents including refreshed LTP and new Draft Local Plan	Promoting Low Emission Transport	Other	2019		DC	Capital	Funded		Implementation				
13	Ensure access to sustainable transport is considered in planning applications	Alternatives to private vehicle use	Other	2019		DC	Capital	Funded		Implementation				
14	Investigate potential for small scale park & ride hubs with electric vehicle charging point availability	Alternatives to private vehicle use	Bus based Park & Ride	2019		DC	Capital	Funded		Planning				
15	Encourage decarbonisation of road transport through development of public EV charging network & promotion of ultra low emissions vehicles, and including on-going management	Freight and Delivery Management	Delivery and Service plans	2019	2024	DC	Capital	Funded		Implementation				
16	Encourage use of ultra low emission public transport vehicles (including taxis) – particularly smaller buses	Promoting Travel Alternatives	Intensive active travel campaign & infrastructure	2019	2024	DC	Capital	Funded		Implementation				
17	Working closely with Dorset Business Travel Network and Digital Dorset to promote the use of ICT to individuals and businesses to avoid travel / encourage working from home	Promoting Travel Alternatives	Encourage / Facilitate home-working	2019	2021	DC / Dorset Business Travel Network / Digital Dorset	Capital	Funded		Completed			Majority of council staff able to or currently are working from home. Full adoption of flexible approach	2021
18	To green the Council fleet	Vehicle Fleet Efficiency	Fleet efficiency and recognition schemes	2019	2025/26	DC	Capital	Funded		Implementation				2025/26
19	Reduce the need for staff to travel to and for work through remote	Promoting Travel Alternatives	Workplace Travel Planning	2019	2021	DC	Capital	Funded		Completed				2021

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	working and the use of digital													
20	Promote behaviour change away from single occupancy private vehicle use	Promoting Travel Alternatives	Intensive active travel campaign & infrastructure	2019		DC	Capital	Not Funded		Implementation				Successful bid to the transforming cities fund, currently in implementation phase
21	DC procurement of alternative refuelling infrastructure to promote LEVs, EV recharging, tax emission incentives and taxi licensing conditions	Vehicle Fleet Efficiency	Other	2019	2026	DC	Capital	Funded		Ongoing with significant progress	NO <sub>x</sub> , PM <sub>10</sub> and PM <sub>2.5</sub>			
22	Continue collaborative work with NH to investigate and, where appropriate, direct measures to improve Chideock AQ inc. permanence of 30mph speed limit	Public Information	Other	2018	2022	DC/NH	Capital	Funded		Complete	NO <sub>x</sub> , PM <sub>10</sub> and PM <sub>2.5</sub>		Reviewed DRAFT AQAP	
23	Control domestic emissions and promoting of cleaner solid fuel consumption	Promoting Low Emission Plant	Other Policy	2022	2025	DC	Capital	Funded		Complete	PM <sub>10</sub> and PM <sub>2.5</sub>		Main project undertaken, ongoing reminder posts and promotions	
24	Network Rail Dorset Connectivity Project	Transport Planning and Infrastructure	Other	2021		DC/NR/ BCP/DfT	Capital	Not Funded		Planning				
25	Bus Service Improvement Plan	Transport Planning and Infrastructure	Bus route improvements	2021		DC/Bus service providers/ DfT	Capital	Not Funded		Planning				
26	DEFRA-funded solid-fuel burning project	Public information	Other	2021	2024	DC	Capital	Funded		Complete	PM <sub>10</sub> and PM <sub>2.5</sub>	Report upon completion	Complete, reports published	
27	Re-siting of PM <sub>10</sub> /PM <sub>2.5</sub> monitors to review roadside PM	Monitoring	Other	2025	2026	DC, Town/Parish Councils, Private Companies	Capital	Funded		Implementation	PM <sub>10</sub> and PM <sub>2.5</sub>	Implementation		Procurement
28	Dorset Council Air Quality Strategy	Other	Other	2025	2027	DC	Capital	Funded		Planning	NO <sub>2</sub> , PM <sub>10</sub> and PM <sub>2.5</sub> , NH <sub>3</sub>	Report publication		

## 2.3 PM<sub>2.5</sub> – Local Authority Approach to Reducing Emissions and/or Concentrations

As detailed in Policy Guidance LAQM.PG22 (Chapter 8) and the Air Quality Strategy<sup>1</sup>, local authorities are expected to work towards reducing emissions and/or concentrations of fine particulate matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub>). There is clear evidence that PM<sub>2.5</sub> (particulate matter smaller 2.5 micrometres) has a significant impact on human health, including premature mortality, allergic reactions, and cardiovascular diseases.

Dorset Council is taking the following measures to address PM<sub>2.5</sub>:

Prior monitoring by Dorset Council have revealed consistently low levels of PM<sub>2.5</sub> pollution. Monitoring showed annual average concentrations broadly below 10µg/m<sup>3</sup> (2040 AQO) since 2020.

Despite this, actions to further reduce specifically PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations include:

- Scoping and research stages of a potential Dorset Air Quality Strategy to include local and regional sources of PM<sub>2.5</sub>, seeking influence through council assets and infrastructure
- DEFRA-funded solid fuel burning project examining PM<sub>2.5</sub> emissions and behaviour influence methods to reduce improper burning and thus emissions to atmosphere (and indoor environments)
- Network Rail Dorset Connectivity seeking to increase train availability and service to reduce reliance on private car use for cross-district travel

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<sup>1</sup> Defra. Air Quality Strategy – Framework for Local Authority Delivery, August 2023

## 3 Air Quality Monitoring Data and Comparison with Air Quality Objectives and National Compliance

This section sets out the monitoring undertaken within 2024 by Dorset Council and how it compares with the relevant air quality objectives. In addition, monitoring results are presented for a five-year period between 2020 and 2024 to allow monitoring trends to be identified and discussed.

### 3.1 Summary of Monitoring Undertaken

#### 3.1.1 Automatic Monitoring Sites

Dorset undertook automatic (continuous) monitoring at 2 sites during 2024 for PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub>. Table A.1 in Appendix A shows the details of the automatic monitoring sites. NB. Local authorities do not have to report annually on the following pollutants: 1,3 butadiene, benzene, carbon monoxide and lead, unless local circumstances indicate there is a problem.

Maps showing the location of the monitoring sites are provided in Appendix D. Further details on how the monitors are calibrated and how the data has been adjusted are included in Appendix C.

#### 3.1.2 Non-Automatic Monitoring Sites

Dorset undertook non- automatic (i.e. passive) monitoring of NO<sub>2</sub> at 54 sites during 2024. Table A.2 in Appendix A presents the details of the non-automatic sites.

Maps showing the location of the monitoring sites are provided in Appendix D. Further details on Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) for the diffusion tubes, including bias adjustments and any other adjustments applied (e.g. annualisation and/or distance correction), are included in Appendix C.

### 3.2 Individual Pollutants

The air quality monitoring results presented in this section are, where relevant, adjusted for bias, annualisation (where the annual mean data capture is below 75% and greater

than 25%), and distance correction. Further details on adjustments are provided in Appendix C.

### 3.2.1 Nitrogen Dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>)

Table A.3 in Appendix A compares the ratified and adjusted monitored NO<sub>2</sub> annual mean concentrations for the past five years with the air quality objective of 40µg/m<sup>3</sup>. Note that the concentration data presented represents the concentration at the location of the monitoring site, following the application of bias adjustment and annualisation, as required (i.e. the values are exclusive of any consideration to fall-off with distance adjustment).

For diffusion tubes, the full 2024 dataset of monthly mean values is provided in Appendix B. Note that the concentration data presented in Table B.1 includes distance corrected values, only where relevant.

NO<sub>2</sub> data demonstrates a general and sustained trend in reductions of pollution compared to 2022 concentrations. Given the travel restrictions in place due to the COVID-19 pandemic in both 2020 and 2021, this provides the most realistic indicator of improvement. The 2023 ASR reported an improvement in 2022 against 2019 data, demonstrating 2020 and 2021 to be anomalous years.

Data from the Purbeck and East Dorset areas show a unanimous decrease on 2022 data, and the majority show a decrease compared to 2023 too. All locations demonstrated concentrations of less than half of the annual air quality objective.

Location	ID	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Swanage, Gilbert Road	P3	8.5	9.0	10.5	11.5	8.5
Swanage, Kings Rd.	P4	9.2	10.3	11.8	9.7	9.4
Upton, Blandford Road North	P5	16.3	17.4	22.1	18.2	16.1
Sandford, Sandford Road	P9	13.4	14.0	15.7	13.2	12.2
Wareham, Worgret Road	P10	8.2	8.9	10.7	7.4	8.1
Rempstone Car Park, Wareham	P12					9.3
North Street, Bere Regis	P13					11.3
Ham Lane (19 Glissons, Longham)	E2	14.8	14.6	18.6	14.5	14.3

45 Davids Lane, Ashley Heath	E4	11.6	11.3	12.9	11.3	11.2
2 Julians Road, Wimborne	E5	17.8	18.9	24.7	20.4	18.7
392 Ringwood Road, Ferndown	E6	19.1	18.4	22.3	21.0	18.6
7/9 Wimborne Road, Wimborne	E8	10.4	11.4	13.1	12.3	12.8
A31 24 Ringwood Road, Ashley Heath	E9	23.8	21.0	25.7	22.7	18.4
235 Christchurch Road, West Parley	E10	20.2	20.0	23.4	19.7	19.4
opp. 233 Christchurch Road, West Parley	E11	18.8	17.2	20.6	16.7	16.6
28a West Street, Wimborne	E12	12.6	11.6	15.4	13.6	12.8
7 West Borough, Wimborne	E13	14.0	13.3	16.1	15.4	13.4
Station Road, West Moors	E14					12.4

New sites at Rempstone Car Park, Wareham, and Station Road, West Moors, were established following requests by the public for air quality monitoring in response to perceived increases in traffic levels. North Street, Bere Regis, was established due to proposals for significant housing development in the area. Monitoring for sites continues into 2025.

Monitoring locations in the Weymouth and Portland area demonstrate decreased concentrations in comparison to 2022, although seven sites show slightly increased concentration in comparison to 2023.

Location	ID	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
St Georges Est, Portland	W1	6.6	6.6	8.2	5.9	7.8
King St, Weymouth	W2	19.7	17.9	27.7	24.0	24.4
Rodwell Rd, Weymouth	W3	25.9	24.6	37.7	31.1	32.3
Co-location i	W5	24.0	22.8	30.9	31.8	25.5
Portmore Gardens, Weymouth	W6	22.9	21.0	31.1	26.7	26.4
Portland Port	W46		10.4	13.0	11.1	12.0
Castletown	W47		9.5	13.5	11.1	13.3
Rodwell Inn, Weymouth	W9	24.2	23.2	34.8	29.2	30.2

16 Rodwell Road, Weymouth	W10	26.3	19.0	37.3	31.9	31.9
Upwey St, Weymouth	W12	21.9	20.1	28.6	36.1	27.2
Dominoes, Weymouth	W13	22.1	20.8	30.5	30.6	25.4
Fortuneswell, Portland	W14	24.0	21.2	31.2	25.6	26.2

Upwey Street, W12, shows a decrease from previously being within 10% of the annual objective, with nearby W13 also showing a decrease, albeit less significant. Tubes in the Boot Hill/Rodwell Road area for concerns show concentrations broadly in line with 2023. The monitoring in Weymouth and Portland is planned to be supported by redistribution of the AQ Mesh pods to a site on Boot Hill, and near Portland Port. This is to monitor increased HGV traffic due to the now approved inert waste incinerator planned for Portland Port. Monitoring of all sites will continue into 2025.

Monitoring results from the Dorchester and Bridport areas demonstrate mixed results. All concentrations measured remain below those from 2022, although many show increases on 2023. These remain minor, however.

Location	ID	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Stratton House, Dorchester	W15	21.5	22.2	30.7	25.9	27.2
High East St (Majestic Wines)	W17	17.2	17.3	24.0	23.8	20.2
High East St (Church House)	W18	23.6	21.3	32.1	28.2	25.0
Borough Gardens, Dorchester	W24	7.4	7.8	9.5	7.5	9.4
High West St (Homechester Hse)	W25	18.8	18.5	27.7	20.9	21.9
49 East Rd (Lampost 12) Bridport	W27	25.2	24.9	36.6	35.2	31.0
45 East Rd (Lampost 10) Bridport	W28	26.3	26.5	35.1	27.2	28.8
East Rd (Rdbt sign) Bridport	W29	16.0	18.1	21.8	18.5	18.2

Tubes within the former Dorchester AQMA (W17 and W18) show continued decline in concentrations, further vindicating Dorset Council's decision to revoke the AQMA. Monitoring in all locations continues into 2025.



Tube locations within the Chideock AQMA showed no overall increase or decrease, but all changes were minor.

Location	ID	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Hope Cottage, Chideock	W32	10.4	12.1	13.8	12.4	12.1
Greenhill, Chideock	W33	10.4	11.0	14.4	11.3	12.7
Duck St, Chideock	W34	20.2	22.1	29.8	25.0	25.6
Village Hall, Chideock	W36	21.8	23.2	32.7	28.6	27.4
Whitecroft, Chideock	W37	30.0	32.2	<b>42.1</b>	35.7	34.2
Warren House, Chideock	W38	13.7	15.2	19.5	15.7	19.8
Chideock Hill Cottage, Chideock	W39	<b>45.1</b>	<b>47.6</b>	<b><u>64.5</u></b>	<b>54.4</b>	<b>59.0</b>
Bay Tree House	H2		21.9	28.1	23.1	23.0
Willens Cottage	H3		22.3	28.1	23.3	23.9
Village Hall	H4		27.3	34.0	28.0	28.7
Southside Cottage	H5		29.2	39.3	31.0	33.8
Langdon	H6		39.9	<b>57.2</b>	<b>57.9</b>	<b>49.3</b>
Yew Tree House	H7		35.9	<b>47.2</b>	39.3	37.9
The Clock	H8		27.2	36.0	32.0	27.6

Two exceedances of the AQO in the AQMA were detected, W39 and H6. H7 recorded a concentration within 10% of the AQO also. Both W39 and H7 required distance correction, but W39 remained above the objective ( $44.7\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) and within 10% of the objective ( $36.1\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) respectively. A localised rural background monitoring tube has been assigned to Chideock for 2025 to more accurately provide distance correction data. Monitoring will continue into 2025.

North Dorset area tubes showed continued low concentrations of  $\text{NO}_2$ .

Location	ID	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Lawrence Cotts, Gillingham	W40	22.8	23.0	25.7	27.1	22.0
The Barbers, Sturminster Newton	W42	19.7	20.1	28.1	23.6	25.4

Whilst W40 showed a decrease on 2023, W42 showed an increase but remained below 2022 concentrations. Monitoring will continue into 2025.

### 3.2.2 Particulate Matter (PM<sub>10</sub>)

Table A.4 in Appendix A: Monitoring Results compares the ratified and adjusted monitored PM<sub>10</sub> annual mean concentrations for the past five years with the air quality objective of 40µg/m<sup>3</sup>.

Table A.5 in Appendix A compares the ratified continuous monitored PM<sub>10</sub> daily mean concentrations for the past five years with the air quality objective of 50µg/m<sup>3</sup>, not to be exceeded more than 35 times per year.

Using our AQMesh Pods, PM<sub>10</sub> has been measured at two sites in Dorset: Beaminster School and Ferndown Golf Club. Neither site has an annual mean exceeding the objective, and neither demonstrate daily means above 50µg/m<sup>3</sup>.

Analysers at Sandford and Blandford that were previously used have been decommissioned. Ferndown and Beaminster were decommissioned at the end of 2024. New monitors are likely to be redistributed in late 2025.

Beaminster demonstrates a continued trend from 2020 and 2021 of decreasing PM<sub>10</sub> emissions. A theory was alluded to in the 2023 ASR that recalibration in 2022 may have resulted in high variance in results, and this result appears to be consistent with this theory. Ferndown appears to remain consistent with 2020, 2021 and 2023 data. Both analysers show concentrations around 10µg/m<sup>3</sup>. Neither monitor detected any 24h means over 50µg/m<sup>3</sup>.

### 3.2.3 Particulate Matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub>)

Table A.6 in Appendix A presents the ratified and adjusted monitored PM<sub>2.5</sub> annual mean concentrations for the past five years.

Using our AQMesh Pods, PM<sub>10</sub> has been measured at two sites in Dorset: Beaminster School and Ferndown Golf Club.

Analysers at Sandford and Blandford that were previously used have been decommissioned. Ferndown and Beaminster were decommissioned at the end of 2024. New monitors are likely to be redistributed in late 2025.

Beaminster again demonstrates a continued trend from 2020 and 2021 of decreasing PM<sub>2.5</sub> emissions to a concentration of 6.9µg/m<sup>3</sup>. This result again appears to be consistent with the 2022 calibration theory. Ferndown remains at increased concentrations over 2020 and 2021 levels, but shows improvement over 2022 and 2023 with 5.4µg/m<sup>3</sup>. Both analysers show very low concentrations, significantly below the national targets of 12 µg/m<sup>3</sup> by 2028, and 10µg/m<sup>3</sup> by 2040.

## Appendix A: Monitoring Results

**Table A.1 – Details of Automatic Monitoring Sites**

Site ID	Site Name	Site Type	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Pollutants Monitored	In AQMA?	Which AQMA? <sup>(1)</sup>	Monitoring Technique	Distance to Relevant Exposure (m) <sup>(2)</sup>	Distance to kerb of nearest road (m) <sup>(1)</sup>	Inlet Height (m)
Beaminster	Beaminster	Rural	347967	101967	PM <sub>10</sub> , PM <sub>2.5</sub>	No		Optical Particle Counter	0.0	27.0	4.0
Ferndown	Ferndown	Suburban	408440	99391	PM <sub>10</sub> , PM <sub>2.5</sub>	No		Optical Particle Counter	0.0	31.0	4.0

**Notes:**

(1) N/A if not applicable

(2) 0m if the monitoring site is at a location of exposure (e.g. installed on the façade of a residential property).

**Table A.2 – Details of Non-Automatic Monitoring Sites**

Diffusion Tube ID	Site Name	Site Type	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Pollutants Monitored	In AQMA? Which AQMA?	Distance to Relevant Exposure (m) <sup>(1)</sup>	Distance to kerb of nearest road (m) <sup>(2)</sup>	Tube Co-located with a Continuous Analyser?	Tube Height (m)
P3	Swanage, Gilbert Road	Urban Background	402790	78950	NO <sub>2</sub>		7.0	1.0	No	2.3
P4	Swanage, Kings Rd.	Roadside	402860	78830	NO <sub>2</sub>		14.0	1.0	No	2.1
P5	Upton, Blandford Road North	Roadside	397910	93425	NO <sub>2</sub>		19.0	2.0	No	2.2
P9	Sandford, Sandford Road	Roadside	393223	89947	NO <sub>2</sub>		20.0	1.0	No	2.3
P10	Wareham, Wogret Road	Roadside	391790	87190	NO <sub>2</sub>		13.0	1.0	No	2.3
P12	Rempstone Car Park, Wareham	Roadside	392470	87339	NO <sub>2</sub>		11.0	1.0	No	5.0
P13	North Street, Bere Regis	Roadside	385127	95184	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	4.5	No	1.5
E2	Ham Lane (19 Glissons, Longham)	Roadside	406362	98711	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	1.0	No	3.0
E4	45 Davids Lane, Ashley Heath	Urban Background	413425	104429	NO <sub>2</sub>		7.0	0.5	No	3.0
E5	2 Julians Road, Wimborne	Roadside	400677	99998	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	1.0	No	3.0
E6	392 Ringwood Road, Ferndown	Roadside	407785	100135	NO <sub>2</sub>		4.0	1.3	No	3.0
E8	7/9 Wimborne Road, Wimborne	Roadside	401003	100736	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	1.5	No	3.0

Diffusion Tube ID	Site Name	Site Type	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Pollutants Monitored	In AQMA? Which AQMA?	Distance to Relevant Exposure (m) <sup>(1)</sup>	Distance to kerb of nearest road (m) <sup>(2)</sup>	Tube Co-located with a Continuous Analyser?	Tube Height (m)
E9	A31 24 Ringwood Road, Ashley Heath	Roadside	412782	104118	NO <sub>2</sub>		26.0	1.3	No	3.0
E10	235 Christchurch Road, West Parley	Roadside	408384	97986	NO <sub>2</sub>		8.0	1.0	No	3.0
E11	opp. 233 Christchurch Road, West Parley	Roadside	408468	98002	NO <sub>2</sub>		4.0	1.0	No	3.0
E12	28a West Street, Wimborne	Roadside	400833	100042	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	1.2	No	3.0
E13	7 West Borough, Wimborne	Roadside	400901	100149	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	3.6	No	3.0
E14	Station Road, West Moors	Roadside	407915	102848	NO <sub>2</sub>		6.0	1.0	No	3.0
W1	St Georges Est, Portland	Urban Background	368779	71706	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	2.0	No	2.5
W2	King St, Weymouth	Roadside	368003	79527	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	2.0	No	2.5
W3	Rodwell Rd, Weymouth	Roadside	367542	78548	NO <sub>2</sub>		2.5	2.5	No	2.5
W5	Co-location i	Roadside	367540	78471	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	3.5	No	3.0
W6	Portmore Gardens, Weymouth	Roadside	367528	78554	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	2.0	No	3.0
W46	Portland Port	Roadside	368888	74356	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	0.5	No	3.0

Diffusion Tube ID	Site Name	Site Type	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Pollutants Monitored	In AQMA? Which AQMA?	Distance to Relevant Exposure (m) <sup>(1)</sup>	Distance to kerb of nearest road (m) <sup>(2)</sup>	Tube Co-located with a Continuous Analyser?	Tube Height (m)
W47	Castletown	Roadside	368847	74356	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	0.5	No	3.0
W9	Rodwell Inn, Weymouth	Roadside	367550	78485	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	2.0	No	3.0
W10	16 Rodwell Road, Weymouth	Roadside	367533	78531	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	2.0	No	3.0
W12	Upwey St, Weymouth	Roadside	367879	78567	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	1.5	No	3.0
W13	Dominoes, Weymouth	Roadside	367995	79528	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	2.5	No	3.0
W14	Fortuneswell, Portland	Roadside	368540	73593	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.9	1.5	No	2.5
W15	Stratton House, Dorchester	Roadside	369121	90739	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	2.0	No	2.5
W17	High East St (Majestic Wines)	Roadside	369484	90759	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	2.0	No	2.5
W18	High East St (Church House)	Roadside	369387	90742	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	2.0	No	2.5
W24	Borough Gardens, Dorchester	Urban Background	368982	90453	NO <sub>2</sub>		5.0	2.0	No	2.5
W25	High West St (Homechester Hse)	Roadside	368982	90706	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	3.0	No	2.5
W27	49 East Rd (Lampost 12) Bridport	Roadside	347557	93023	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	2.0	No	2.5

Diffusion Tube ID	Site Name	Site Type	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Pollutants Monitored	In AQMA? Which AQMA?	Distance to Relevant Exposure (m) <sup>(1)</sup>	Distance to kerb of nearest road (m) <sup>(2)</sup>	Tube Co-located with a Continuous Analyser?	Tube Height (m)
W28	45 East Rd (Lampost 10) Bridport	Roadside	347612	93050	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	2.0	No	2.0
W29	East Rd (Rdbt sign) Bridport	Roadside	347277	92867	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	4.0	No	2.5
W32	Hope Cottage, Chideock	Roadside	342364	92814	NO <sub>2</sub>	Chideock AQMA	0.0	1.5	No	2.0
W33	Greenhill, Chideock	Roadside	342151	92869	NO <sub>2</sub>	Chideock AQMA	0.0	1.5	No	2.5
W34	Duck St, Chideock	Roadside	342190	92840	NO <sub>2</sub>	Chideock AQMA	0.0	1.0	No	2.0
W36	Village Hall, Chideock	Roadside	342015	92887	NO <sub>2</sub>	Chideock AQMA	0.0	2.0	No	2.5
W37	Whitcroft, Chideock	Roadside	341946	92908	NO <sub>2</sub>	Chideock AQMA	0.0	1.0	No	2.0
W38	Warren House, Chideock	Roadside	342025	92894	NO <sub>2</sub>	Chideock AQMA	0.0	1.5	No	2.0
W39	Chideock Hill Cottage, Chideock	Roadside	341629	93139	NO <sub>2</sub>	Chideock AQMA	3.5	1.0	No	2.5
W40	Lawrence Cotts, Gillingham	Roadside	381302	126181	NO <sub>2</sub>		4.1	1.5	No	2.5
W42	The Barbers, Sturminster Newton	Kerbside	378606	114009	NO <sub>2</sub>		0.0	1.3	No	2.5
H2	Bay Tree House	Roadside	342143	92845	NO <sub>2</sub>	Chideock AQMA	0.0	1.5	No	2.0



Diffusion Tube ID	Site Name	Site Type	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Pollutants Monitored	In AQMA? Which AQMA?	Distance to Relevant Exposure (m) <sup>(1)</sup>	Distance to kerb of nearest road (m) <sup>(2)</sup>	Tube Co-located with a Continuous Analyser?	Tube Height (m)
H3	Willens Cottage	Roadside	342084	92856	NO <sub>2</sub>	Chideock AQMA	0.0	1.5	No	2.5
H4	Village Hall	Roadside	342004	92890	NO <sub>2</sub>	Chideock AQMA	0.0	1.5	No	2.5
H5	Southside Cottage	Roadside	341933	92913	NO <sub>2</sub>	Chideock AQMA	0.0	3.0	No	2.5
H6	Langdon	Roadside	341881	92934	NO <sub>2</sub>	Chideock AQMA	0.0	1.5	No	2.0
H7	Yew Tree House	Roadside	341819	92953	NO <sub>2</sub>	Chideock AQMA	1.5	6.0	No	1.5
H8	The Clock	Roadside	342129	92847	NO <sub>2</sub>	Chideock AQMA	0.0	1.5	No	2.0

**Notes:**

(1) 0m if the monitoring site is at a location of exposure (e.g. installed on the façade of a residential property).

(2) N/A if not applicable.

**Table A.3 – Annual Mean NO<sub>2</sub> Monitoring Results: Non-Automatic Monitoring (µg/m<sup>3</sup>)**

Diffusion Tube ID	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Site Type	Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period (%) <sup>(1)</sup>	Valid Data Capture 2024 (%) <sup>(2)</sup>	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
P3	402790	78950	Urban Background	100.0	75.0	8.5	9.0	10.5	11.5	8.5
P4	402860	78830	Roadside	100.0	100.0	9.2	10.3	11.8	9.7	9.4
P5	397910	93425	Roadside	100.0	75.0	16.3	17.4	22.1	18.2	16.1
P9	393223	89947	Roadside	100.0	100.0	13.4	14.0	15.7	13.2	12.2
P10	391790	87190	Roadside	100.0	92.5	8.2	8.9	10.7	7.4	8.1
P12	392470	87339	Roadside	100.0	100.0					9.3
P13	385127	95184	Roadside	100.0	90.6					11.3
E2	406362	98711	Roadside	100.0	90.6	14.8	14.6	18.6	14.5	14.3
E4	413425	104429	Urban Background	100.0	100.0	11.6	11.3	12.9	11.3	11.2
E5	400677	99998	Roadside	100.0	100.0	17.8	18.9	24.7	20.4	18.7
E6	407785	100135	Roadside	100.0	100.0	19.1	18.4	22.3	21.0	18.6
E8	401003	100736	Roadside	100.0	100.0	10.4	11.4	13.1	12.3	12.8

Diffusion Tube ID	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Site Type	Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period (%) <sup>(1)</sup>	Valid Data Capture 2024 (%) <sup>(2)</sup>	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
E9	412782	104118	Roadside	100.0	100.0	23.8	21.0	25.7	22.7	18.4
E10	408384	97986	Roadside	100.0	100.0	20.2	20.0	23.4	19.7	19.4
E11	408468	98002	Roadside	100.0	100.0	18.8	17.2	20.6	16.7	16.6
E12	400833	100042	Roadside	100.0	81.1	12.6	11.6	15.4	13.6	12.8
E13	400901	100149	Roadside	100.0	100.0	14.0	13.3	16.1	15.4	13.4
E14	407915	102848	Roadside	100.0	92.5					12.4
W1	368779	71706	Urban Background	100.0	92.5	6.6	6.6	8.2	5.9	7.8
W2	368003	79527	Roadside	100.0	92.5	19.7	17.9	27.7	24.0	24.4
W3	367542	78548	Roadside	100.0	92.5	25.9	24.6	37.7	31.1	32.3
W5	367540	78471	Roadside	100.0	67.9	24.0	22.8	30.9	31.8	25.5
W6	367528	78554	Roadside	100.0	84.9	22.9	21.0	31.1	26.7	26.4
W46	368888	74356	Roadside	100.0	84.9		10.4	13.0	11.1	12.0
W47	368847	74356	Roadside	100.0	92.5		9.5	13.5	11.1	13.3

Diffusion Tube ID	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Site Type	Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period (%) <sup>(1)</sup>	Valid Data Capture 2024 (%) <sup>(2)</sup>	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
W9	367550	78485	Roadside	100.0	92.5	24.2	23.2	34.8	29.2	30.2
W10	367533	78531	Roadside	100.0	92.5	26.3	19.0	37.3	31.9	31.9
W12	367879	78567	Roadside	100.0	92.5	21.9	20.1	28.6	36.1	27.2
W13	367995	79528	Roadside	100.0	92.5	22.1	20.8	30.5	30.6	25.4
W14	368540	73593	Roadside	100.0	83.0	24.0	21.2	31.2	25.6	26.2
W15	369121	90739	Roadside	100.0	75.0	21.5	22.2	30.7	25.9	27.2
W17	369484	90759	Roadside	100.0	84.9	17.2	17.3	24.0	23.8	20.2
W18	369387	90742	Roadside	100.0	66.0	23.6	21.3	32.1	28.2	25.0
W24	368982	90453	Urban Background	100.0	49.1	7.4	7.8	9.5	7.5	9.4
W25	368982	90706	Roadside	100.0	75.0	18.8	18.5	27.7	20.9	21.9
W27	347557	93023	Roadside	100.0	84.9	25.2	24.9	36.6	35.2	31.0
W28	347612	93050	Roadside	100.0	92.5	26.3	26.5	35.1	27.2	28.8
W29	347277	92867	Roadside	100.0	92.5	16.0	18.1	21.8	18.5	18.2

Diffusion Tube ID	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Site Type	Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period (%) <sup>(1)</sup>	Valid Data Capture 2024 (%) <sup>(2)</sup>	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
W32	342364	92814	Roadside	100.0	83.0	10.4	12.1	13.8	12.4	12.1
W33	342151	92869	Roadside	100.0	92.5	10.4	11.0	14.4	11.3	12.7
W34	342190	92840	Roadside	100.0	92.5	20.2	22.1	29.8	25.0	25.6
W36	342015	92887	Roadside	100.0	92.5	21.8	23.2	32.7	28.6	27.4
W37	341946	92908	Roadside	100.0	92.5	30.0	32.2	<b>42.1</b>	35.7	34.2
W38	342025	92894	Roadside	100.0	83.0	13.7	15.2	19.5	15.7	19.8
W39	341629	93139	Roadside	100.0	75.0	<b>45.1</b>	<b>47.6</b>	<b><u>64.5</u></b>	<b>54.4</b>	<b>59.0</b>
W40	381302	126181	Roadside	100.0	92.5	22.8	23.0	25.7	27.1	22.0
W42	378606	114009	Kerbside	100.0	84.9	19.7	20.1	28.1	23.6	25.4
H2	342143	92845	Roadside	100.0	84.9		21.9	28.1	23.1	23.0
H3	342084	92856	Roadside	100.0	92.5		22.3	28.1	23.3	23.9
H4	342004	92890	Roadside	100.0	92.5		27.3	34.0	28.0	28.7
H5	341933	92913	Roadside	100.0	84.9		29.2	39.3	31.0	33.8

Diffusion Tube ID	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Site Type	Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period (%) <sup>(1)</sup>	Valid Data Capture 2024 (%) <sup>(2)</sup>	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
H6	341881	92934	Roadside	100.0	67.9		39.9	<b>57.2</b>	<b>57.9</b>	<b>49.3</b>
H7	341819	92953	Roadside	100.0	83.0		35.9	<b>47.2</b>	39.3	37.9
H8	342129	92847	Roadside	100.0	84.9		27.2	36.0	32.0	27.6

☒ Annualisation has been conducted where data capture is <75% and >25% in line with LAQM.TG22

☒ Diffusion tube data has been bias adjusted.

☒ Reported concentrations are those at the location of the monitoring site (bias adjusted and annualised, as required), i.e. prior to any fall-off with distance correction.

#### Notes:

The annual mean concentrations are presented as  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ .

Exceedances of the NO<sub>2</sub> annual mean objective of  $40\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  are shown in **bold**.

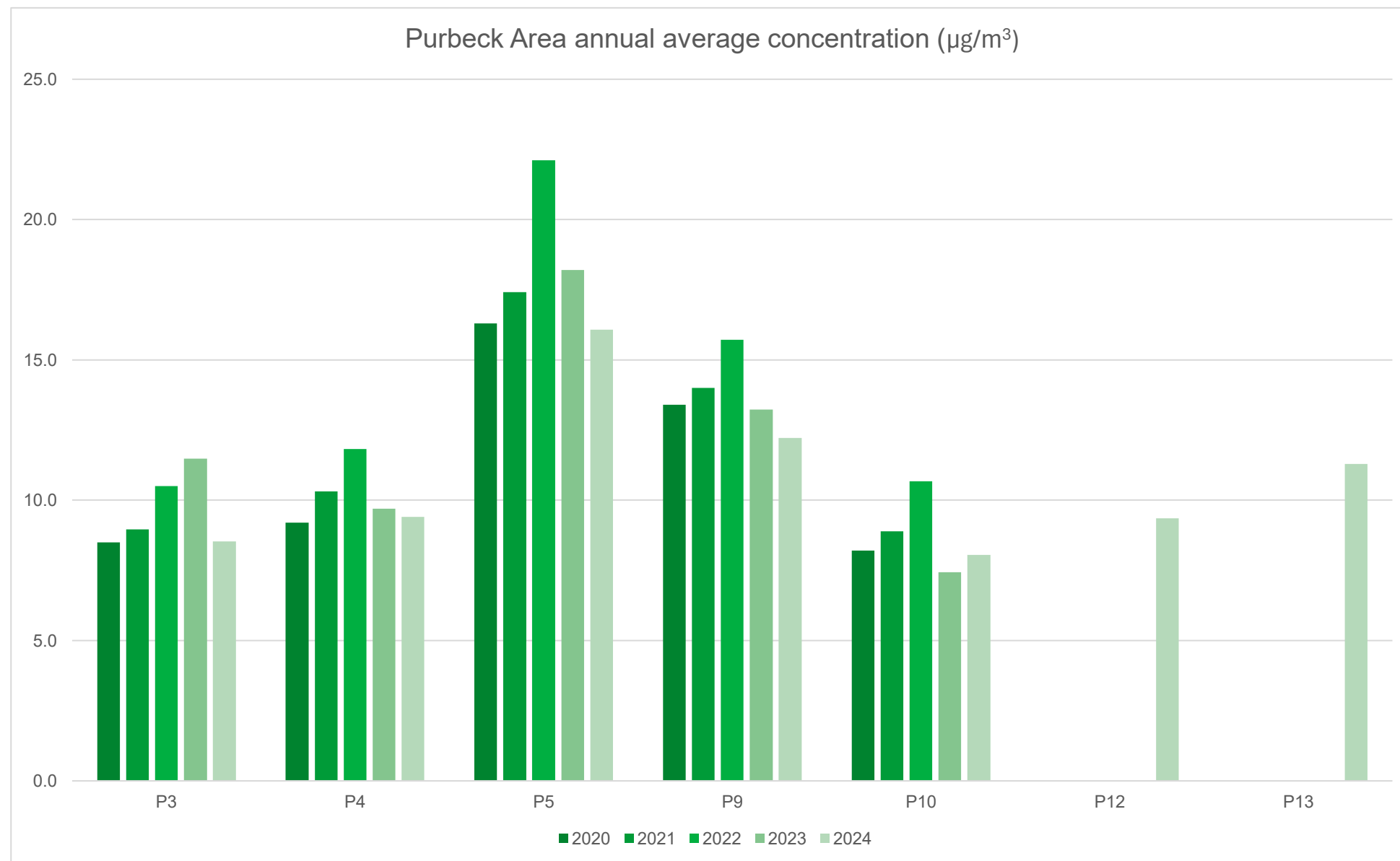
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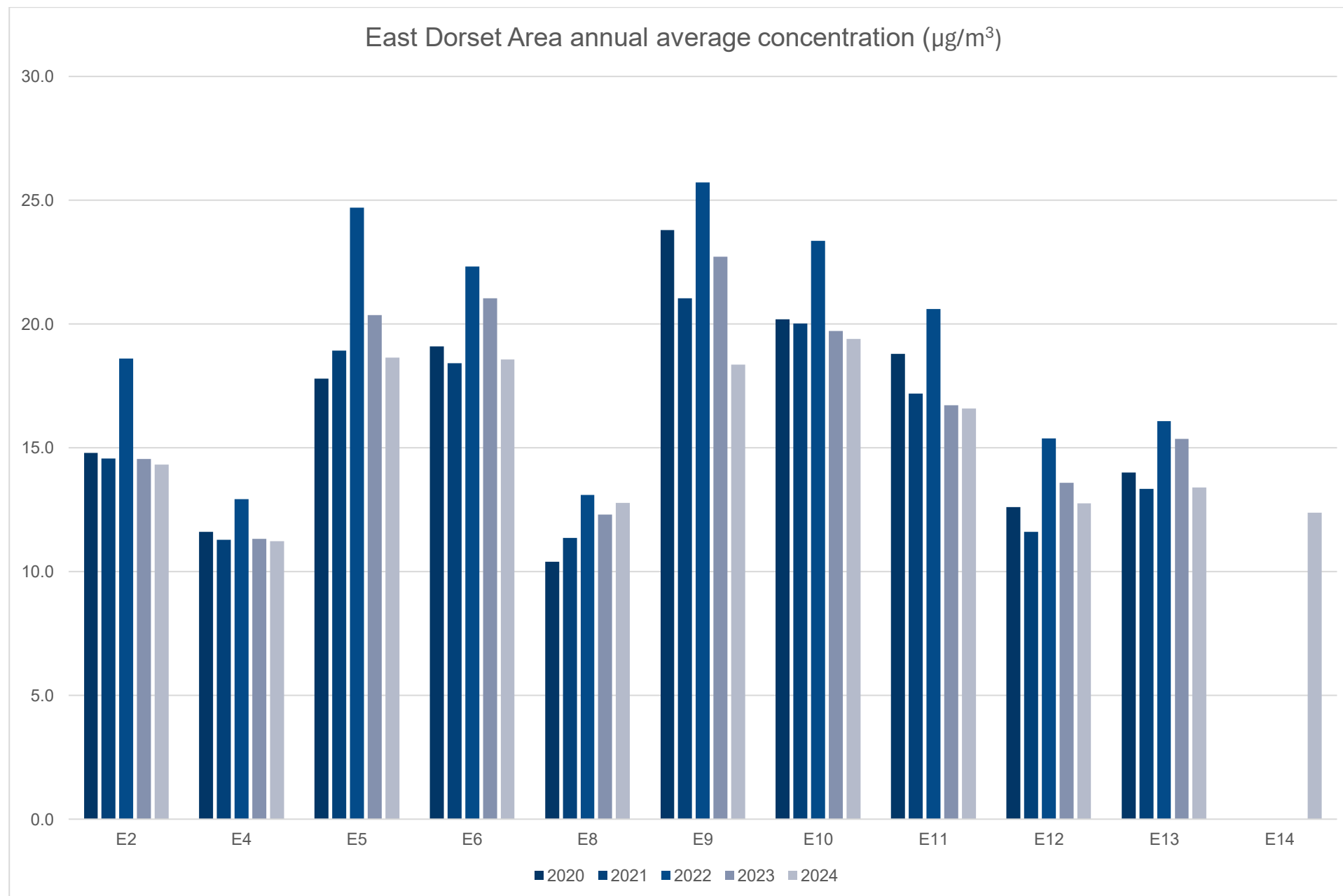
Means for diffusion tubes have been corrected for bias. All means have been “annualised” as per LAQM.TG22 if valid data capture for the full calendar year is less than 75%. See Appendix C for details.

Concentrations are those at the location of monitoring and not those following any fall-off with distance adjustment.

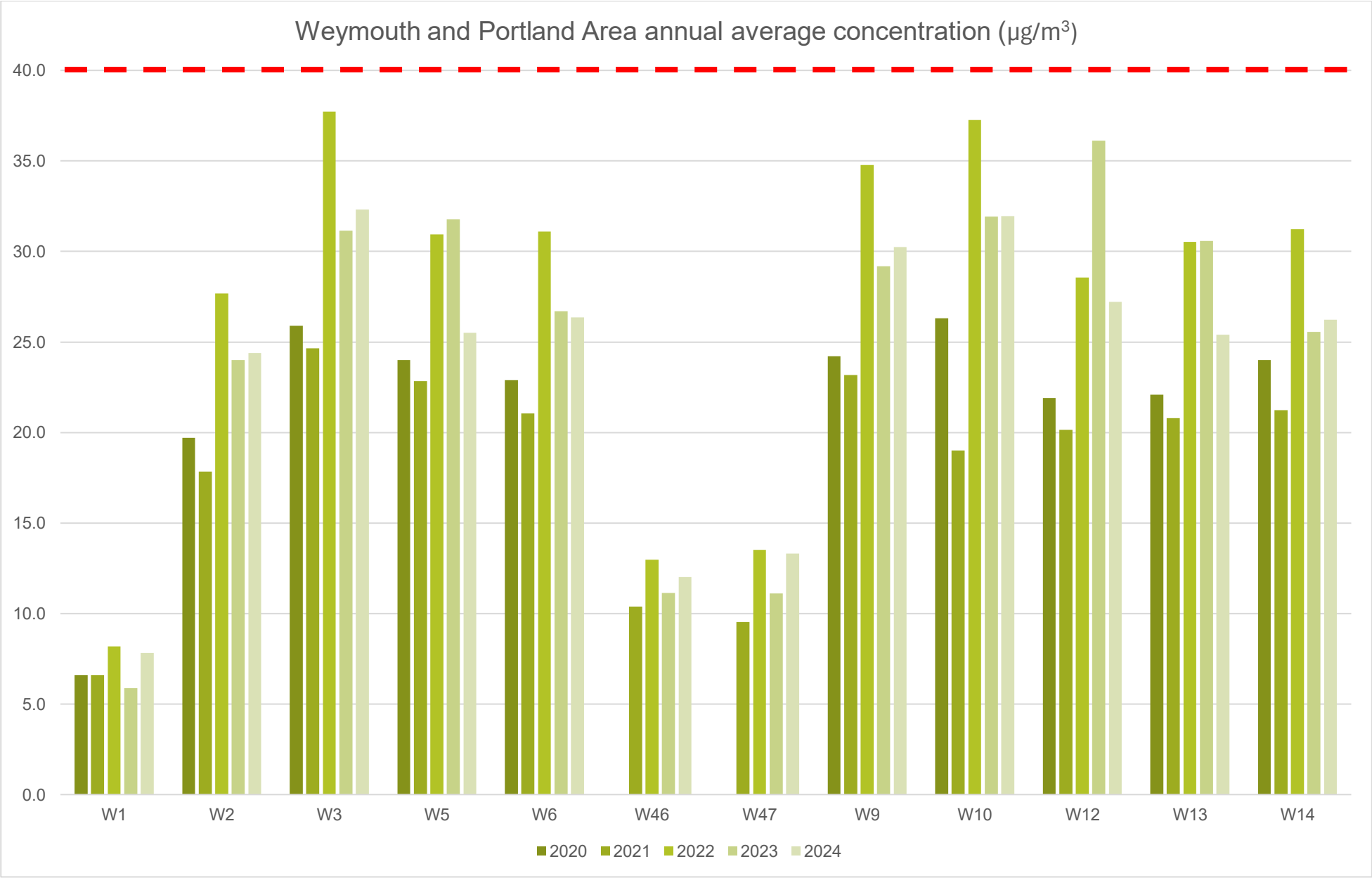
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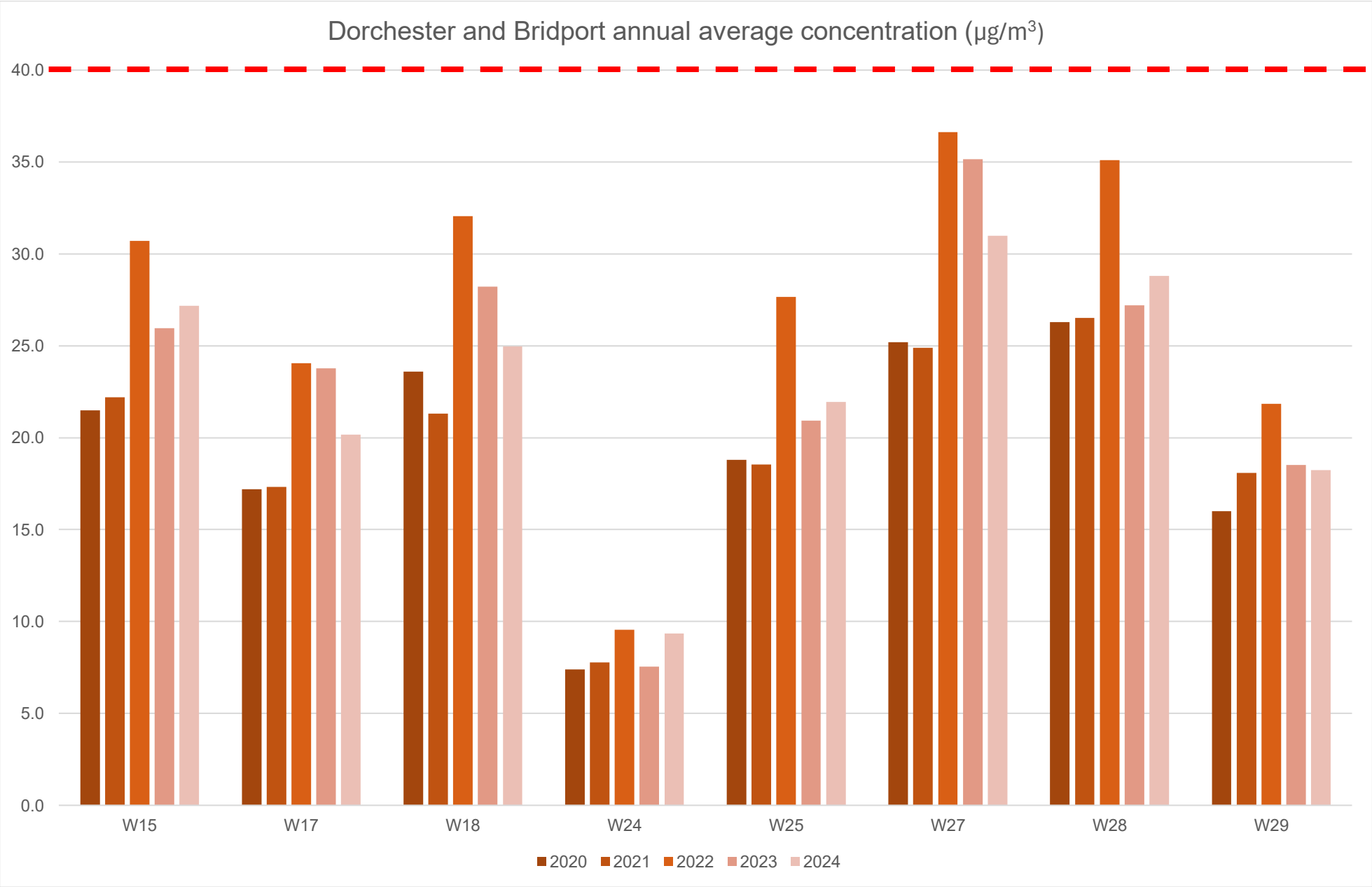
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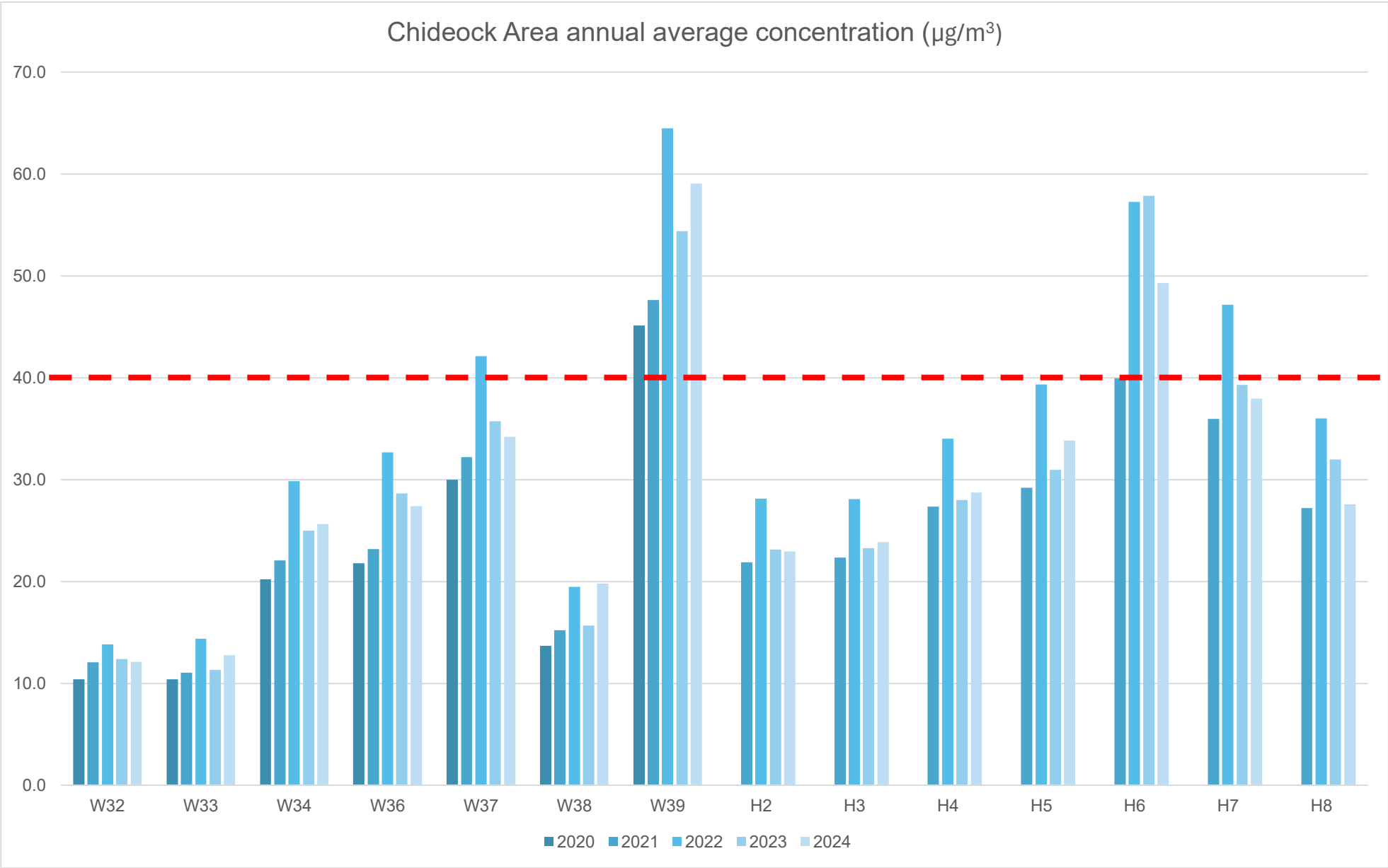
**Figure A.1 – Trends in Annual Mean NO<sub>2</sub> Concentrations**

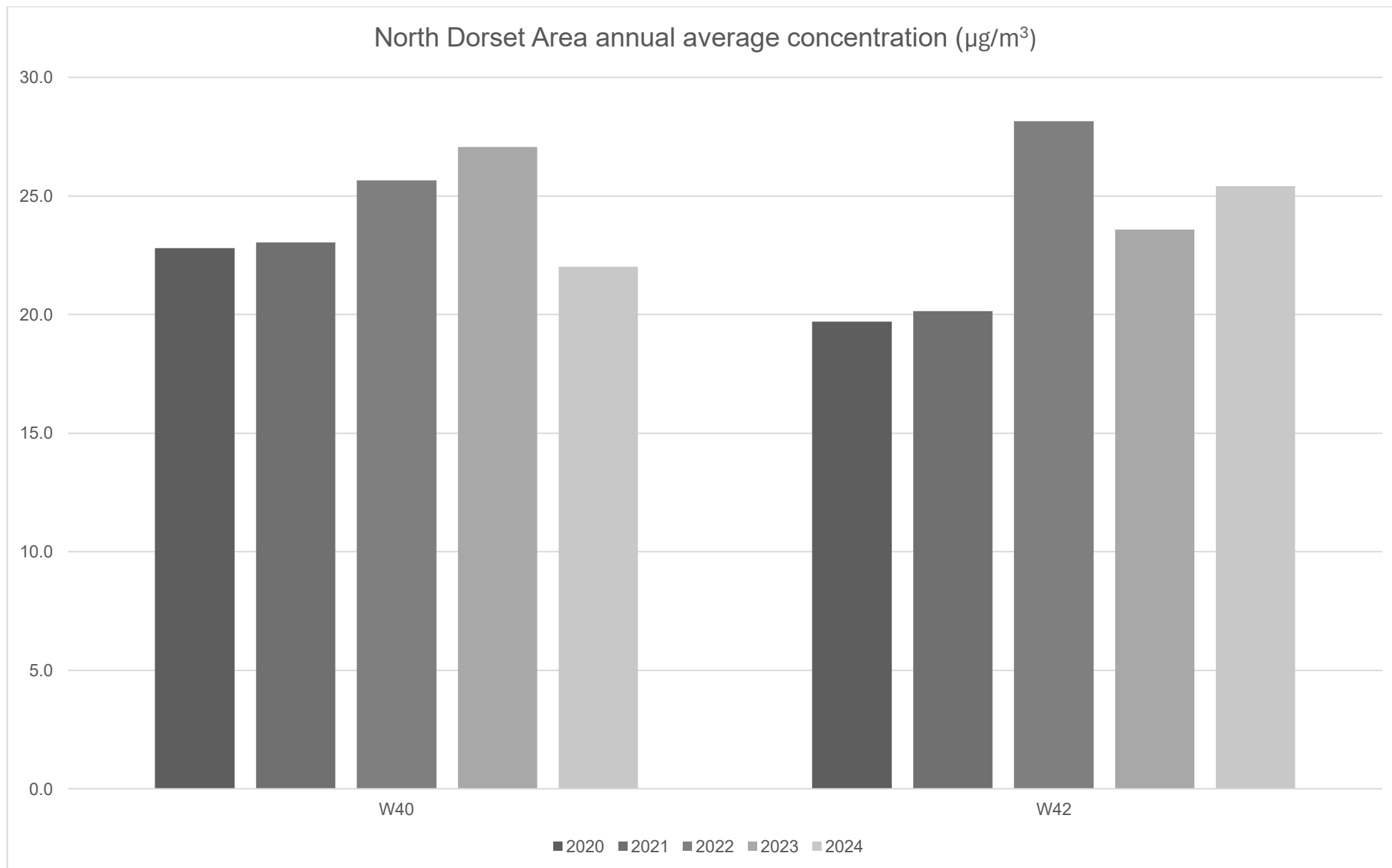












**Table A.4 – Annual Mean PM<sub>10</sub> Monitoring Results (µg/m<sup>3</sup>)**

Site ID	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Site Type	Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period (%) <sup>(1)</sup>	Valid Data Capture 2024 (%) <sup>(2)</sup>	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Beaminster	347967	101967	Rural	100.0	81.0	21.77	18.07	8.62	13.6	10.8
Ferndown	408440	99391	Suburban	100.0	80.4	8.7	8.64	14.76	10.3	8.2
Blandford	387965	106833	Rural	0	0	17.51	18.11	10.78	28.5	
Sandford	393245	90156	Suburban	0	0	6.89	6.83	15.8	15.72	

☒ **Annualisation has been conducted where data capture is <75% and >25% in line with LAQM.TG22**

**Notes:**

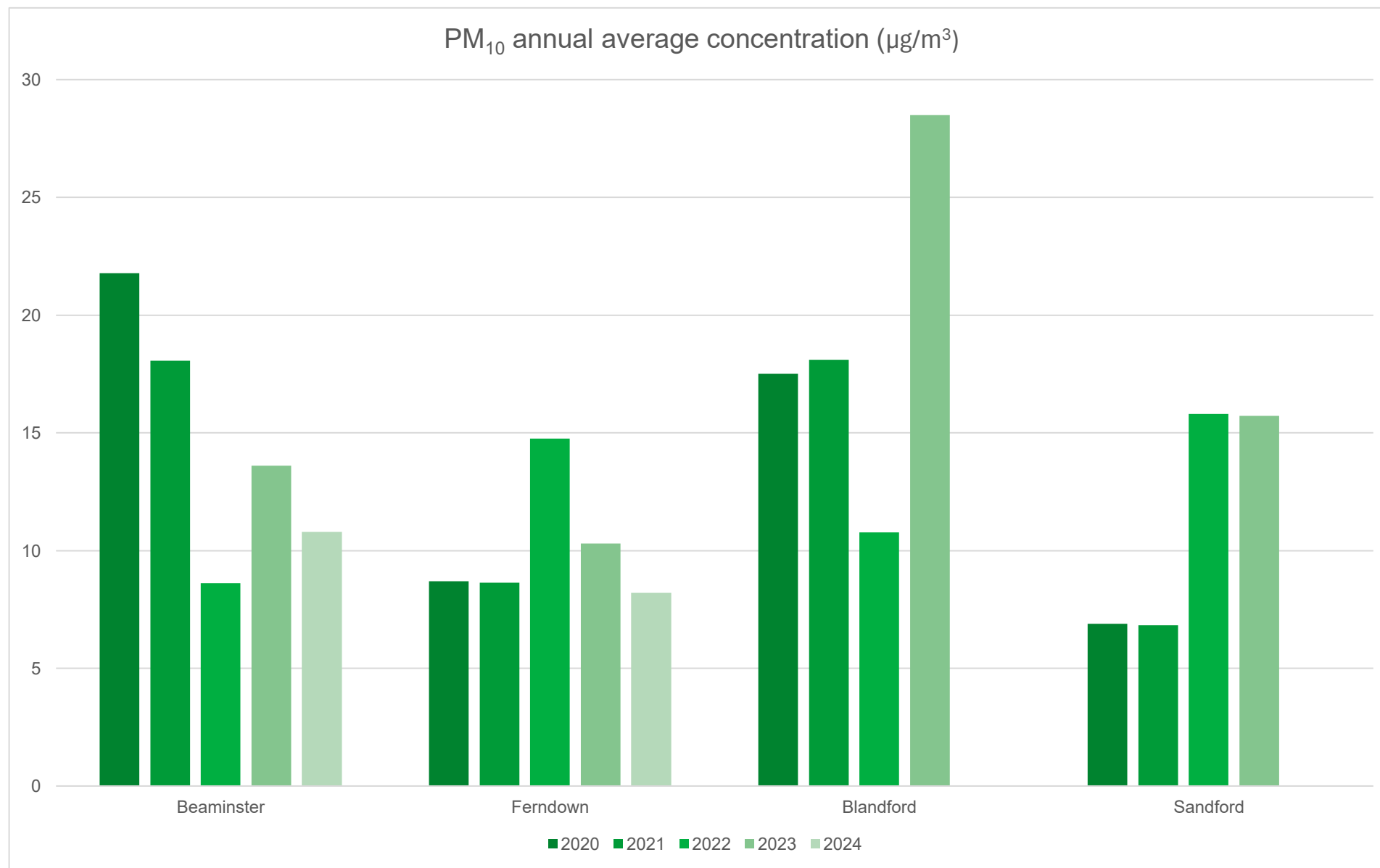
The annual mean concentrations are presented as µg/m<sup>3</sup>.

Exceedances of the PM<sub>10</sub> annual mean objective of 40µg/m<sup>3</sup> are shown in **bold**.

All means have been “annualised” as per LAQM.TG22 if valid data capture for the full calendar year is less than 75%. See Appendix C for details.

(1) Data capture for the monitoring period, in cases where monitoring was only carried out for part of the year.

(2) Data capture for the full calendar year (e.g. if monitoring was carried out for 6 months, the maximum data capture for the full calendar year is 50%).

**Figure A.2 – Trends in Annual Mean PM<sub>10</sub> Concentrations**

**Table A.5 – 24-Hour Mean PM<sub>10</sub> Monitoring Results, Number of PM<sub>10</sub> 24-Hour Means > 50µg/m<sup>3</sup>**

Site ID	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Site Type	Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period (%) <sup>(1)</sup>	Valid Data Capture 2024 (%) <sup>(2)</sup>	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Beaminster	347967	101967	Rural	100.0	81.0	16	4	0	6	0
Ferndown	408440	99391	Suburban	100.0	80.4	0	0	10	3	0
Blandford	387965	106833	Rural	0	0	6	18	2	2	
Sandford	393245	90156	Suburban	0	0	0	1	5	8	

**Notes:**

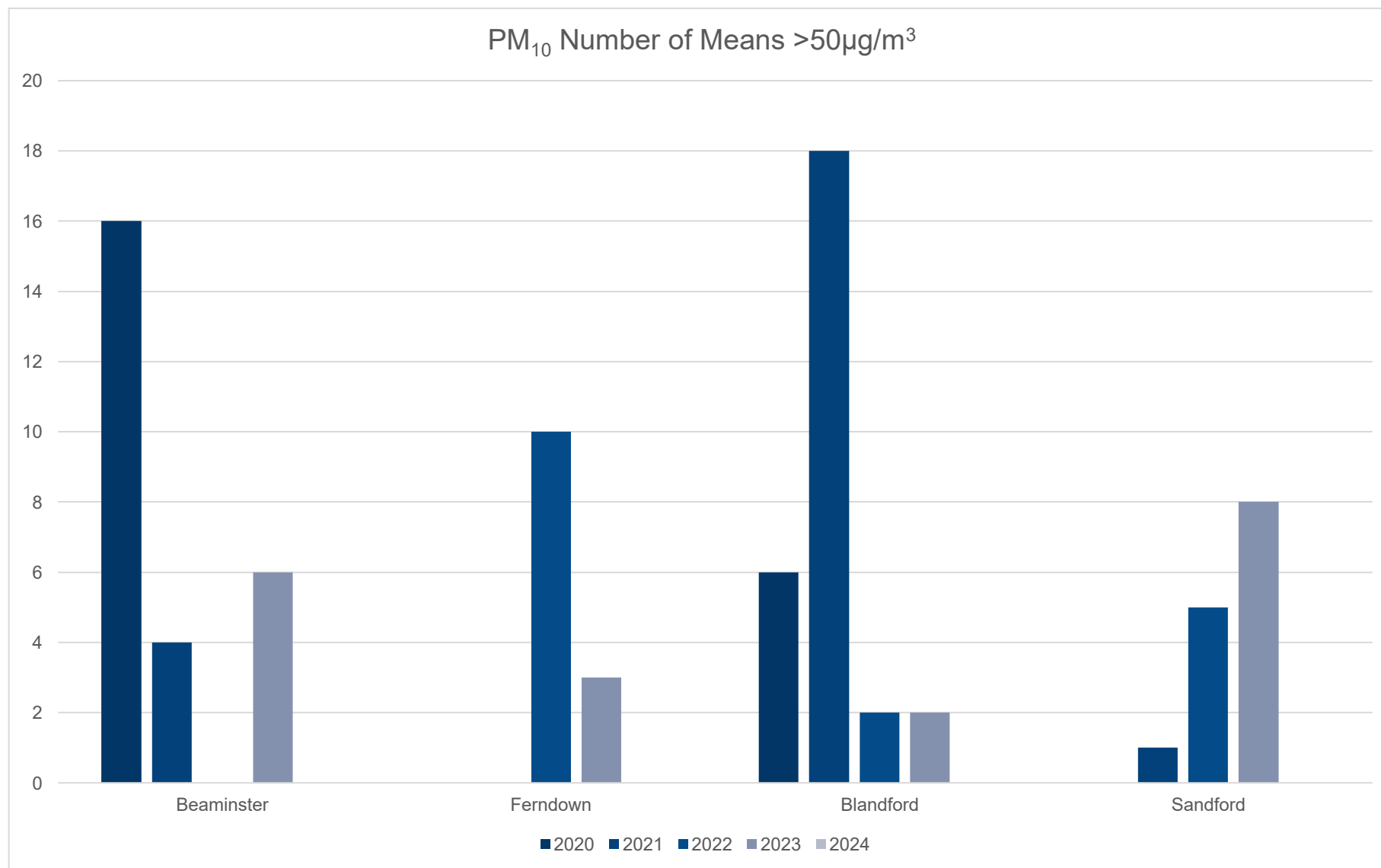
Results are presented as the number of 24-hour periods where daily mean concentrations greater than 50µg/m<sup>3</sup> have been recorded.

Exceedances of the PM<sub>10</sub> 24-hour mean objective (50µg/m<sup>3</sup> not to be exceeded more than 35 times/year) are shown in **bold**.

If the period of valid data is less than 85%, the 90.4th percentile of 24-hour means is provided in brackets.

(1) Data capture for the monitoring period, in cases where monitoring was only carried out for part of the year.

(2) Data capture for the full calendar year (e.g. if monitoring was carried out for 6 months, the maximum data capture for the full calendar year is 50%).

**Figure A.3 – Trends in Number of 24-Hour Mean PM<sub>10</sub> Results > 50µg/m<sup>3</sup>**



**Table A.6 – Annual Mean PM<sub>2.5</sub> Monitoring Results (µg/m<sup>3</sup>)**

Site ID	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing)	Site Type	Valid Data Capture for Monitoring Period (%) <sup>(1)</sup>	Valid Data Capture 2024 (%) <sup>(2)</sup>	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Beaminster	347967	101967	Rural	100.0	81.0	9.56	9.6	4.04	8.7	6.9
Ferndown	408440	99391	Suburban	100.0	80.4	3.6	4.51	6.41	6.5	5.4
Blandford	387965	106833	Rural	0	0	3.05	7.09	6.12	10.3	
Sandford	393245	90156	Suburban	0	0	8.93	3.41	8.28	8.41	

☒ **Annualisation has been conducted where data capture is <75% and >25% in line with LAQM.TG22**

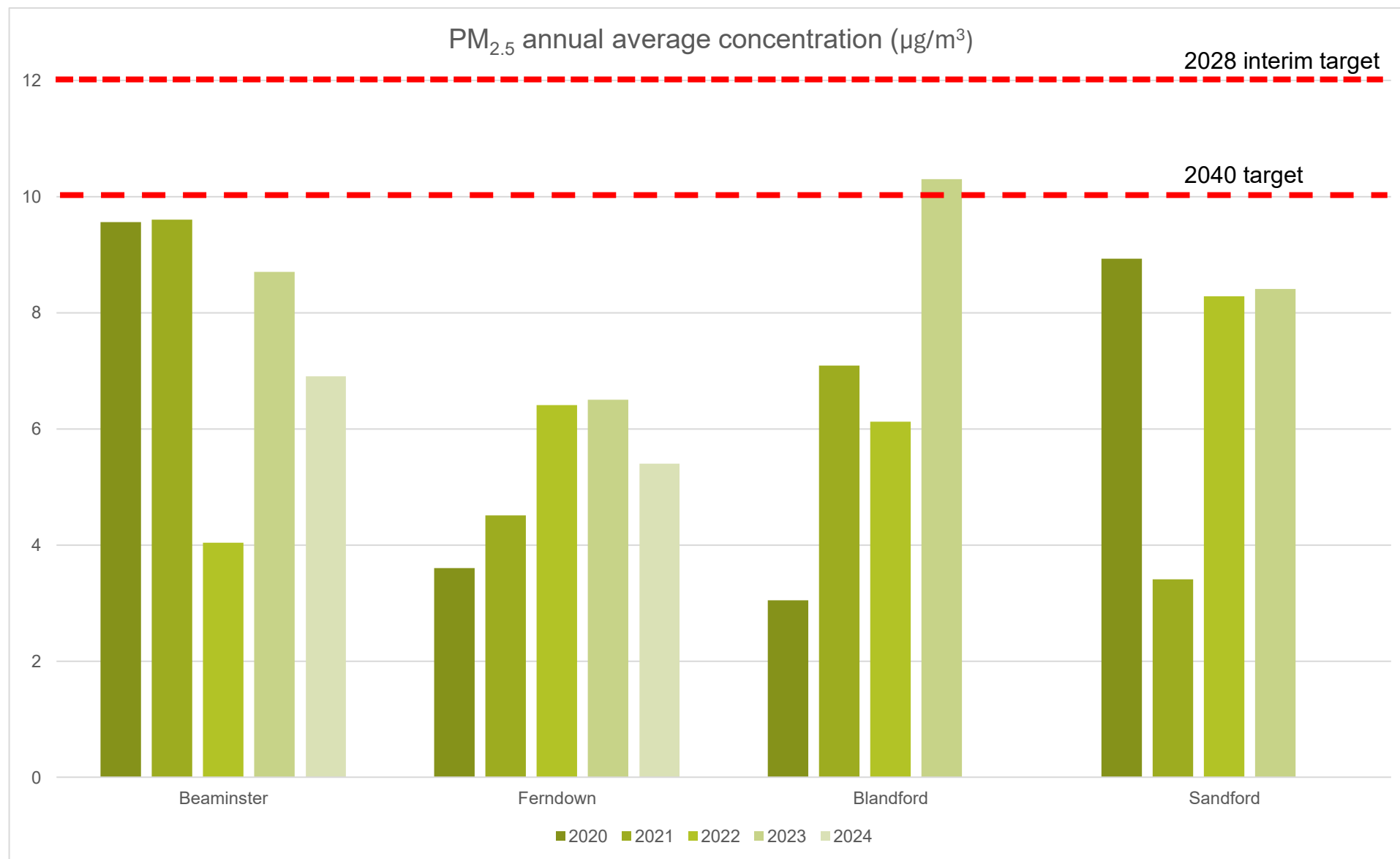
**Notes:**

The annual mean concentrations are presented as µg/m<sup>3</sup>.

All means have been “annualised” as per LAQM.TG22 if valid data capture for the full calendar year is less than 75%. See Appendix C for details.

(1) Data capture for the monitoring period, in cases where monitoring was only carried out for part of the year.

(2) Data capture for the full calendar year (e.g. if monitoring was carried out for 6 months, the maximum data capture for the full calendar year is 50%).

**Figure A.4 – Trends in Annual Mean PM<sub>2.5</sub> Concentrations**

Appendix B: Full Monthly Diffusion Tube Results for 2024

Table B.1 – NO<sub>2</sub> 2024 Diffusion Tube Results (µg/m<sup>3</sup>)

DT ID	X OS Grid Ref (Easting)	Y OS Grid Ref (Northing )	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual Mean: Raw Data	Annual Mean: Annualised and Bias Adjusted (0.81)	Annual Mean: Distance Corrected to Nearest Exposure	Comment
P3	402790	78950	14.5	10.1		8.7		11.1	8.4	13.2		8.7	8.9	11.2	10.5	8.5	-	
P4	402860	78830	16.8	12.2	12.4	10.7	7.8	10.3	9.8	10.8	11.7	9.8	15.0	12.0	11.6	9.4	-	
P5	397910	93425				18.6	17.2	19.8	17.6	15.4	19.7	28.6	21.1	20.5	19.8	16.1	-	
P9	393223	89947	18.8	14.5	19.2	12.0	15.4	10.8	13.6	11.8	14.6	18.2	18.5	13.7	15.1	12.2	-	
P10	391790	87190	14.5	11.2	12.0		8.1	7.2	8.0	9.8	8.3	5.3	15.7	9.2	9.9	8.1	-	
P12	392470	87339	15.3	17.9	11.0	8.4	8.0	9.5	8.9	11.4	10.1	10.6	15.8	11.5	11.5	9.3	-	
P13	385127	95184	22.9		13.7	12.7	11.1	9.6	8.5	10.5	13.7	13.3	20.9	16.3	13.9	11.3	-	
E2	406362	98711	21.6	18.8	19.0	15.9	17.0	12.6	16.6	15.4	16.2	19.7	21.5		17.7	14.3	-	
E4	413425	104429	19.5	15.6	12.7	11.0	15.3	10.6	13.3	13.9	13.8	12.8	16.4	11.4	13.9	11.2	-	
E5	400677	99998	28.0	30.0	26.6	24.7	6.9	27.2	9.4	11.3	27.1	28.8	30.9	25.3	23.0	18.7	-	
E6	407785	100135	28.6	22.4	21.6	19.1	23.9	15.9	20.2	26.1	23.5	27.3	27.5	19.0	22.9	18.6	-	
E8	401003	100736	20.4	15.1	13.7	11.4	19.0	10.2	18.6	20.2	13.4	14.8	19.5	12.8	15.8	12.8	-	
E9	412782	104118	30.5	29.6	32.1	22.6	8.8	20.6	12.0	6.9	25.3	29.9	30.1	23.5	22.7	18.4	-	
E10	408384	97986	28.4	23.7	24.0	18.2	26.3	18.3	25.1	26.5	21.5	27.7	27.4	20.2	23.9	19.4	-	
E11	408468	98002	27.0	20.3	18.4	15.1	21.3	14.8	20.1	20.2	22.6	23.1	24.1	18.6	20.5	16.6	-	
E12	400833	100042	21.4	16.1	13.8	12.2	15.5	11.3	15.9	16.1	15.7		19.4		15.7	12.8	-	
E13	400901	100149	19.8	19.0	17.9	14.0	12.8	14.8	10.0	15.3	16.2	18.8	22.9	16.7	16.5	13.4	-	

E14	407915	102848		18.9	15.5	13.2	16.0	5.2	14.3	16.3	14.4	16.8	21.7	15.8	15.3	12.4	-	
W1	368779	71706	12.9	7.1		7.1	8.6	27.1	7.2	5.9	6.5	7.5	10.4	5.9	9.7	7.8	-	
W2	368003	79527	36.9	29.5		28.1	30.4	32.6	29.9	30.8	31.0	25.2	31.1	25.7	30.1	24.4	-	
W3	367542	78548	53.3	39.4		34.6	47.2	39.1	38.6	35.2	42.8	41.7	40.1	26.8	39.9	32.3	-	
W5	367540	78471	44.5	37.2				31.3	36.6	35.0		33.0	24.6	28.3	33.8	25.5	-	
W6	367528	78554	37.6	35.2		34.3	29.8		37.6	33.1	29.4	34.1	29.2	25.0	32.5	26.4	-	
W46	368888	74356	22.4	11.4		15.1	13.4	10.9		13.2	22.1	16.3	14.3	9.4	14.8	12.0	-	
W47	368847	74356	24.0	12.9		15.1	11.6	33.1	10.1	10.9	21.4	16.4	15.7	9.5	16.4	13.3	-	
W9	367550	78485	44.1	35.9		34.3	36.1	42.9	36.0	36.1	38.2	41.3	37.1	28.8	37.3	30.2	-	
W10	367533	78531	46.9	47.4		38.1	41.2	37.3	44.4	31.2	38.4	37.5	39.1	32.4	39.4	31.9	-	
W12	367879	78567	36.6	38.1		32.3	35.5	33.2	39.1	34.3	31.0	32.4	30.2	26.6	33.6	27.2	-	
W13	367995	79528	36.2	36.1		29.4	33.6	30.4	34.9	33.2	28.2	30.9	27.0	24.9	31.4	25.4	-	
W14	368540	73593	40.8	34.1		33.4	33.9	25.8	33.0	28.9	31.1	29.8	33.2		32.4	26.2	-	
W15	369121	90739		47.5		30.2	28.7		27.6	28.0	35.3	36.2	37.7	30.7	33.6	27.2	-	
W17	369484	90759	26.8	29.2		23.6	22.2	23.5		22.3	22.7	28.0	28.3	22.4	24.9	20.2	-	
W18	369387	90742	36.3					6.4	33.6	29.3	41.6	50.5	34.3	32.1	33.0	25.0	-	
W24	368982	90453	14.8					20.4	7.7	8.0			13.3	9.1	12.2	9.4	-	
W25	368982	90706		27.8		25.8	22.6		23.0	22.3	32.0	31.2	36.0	23.1	27.1	21.9	-	
W27	347557	93023	50.4	46.3		40.6	9.9	40.4		32.8	45.6	41.6	39.3	35.5	38.2	31.0	-	
W28	347612	93050	35.0	39.5		32.1	41.8	22.9	41.8	35.3	36.9	40.9	35.8	29.4	35.6	28.8	-	
W29	347277	92867	26.1	24.0		19.7	23.6	12.5	23.9	24.8	24.1	25.2	23.0	20.7	22.5	18.2	-	
W32	342364	92814	19.2	17.3		12.4	14.1	7.6	13.3	12.9	18.6	16.1	17.8		14.9	12.1	-	
W33	342151	92869	17.5	13.3		13.3	12.1	31.3	11.6	11.6	14.5	14.4	19.6	13.6	15.7	12.7	-	

W34	342190	92840	30.5	34.7		26.7	31.8	36.5	37.1	38.6	29.1	29.4	28.2	25.1	31.6	25.6	-	
W36	342015	92887	34.0	36.0		31.6	25.7	42.5	40.8	43.4	28.3	33.2	29.6	26.4	33.8	27.4	-	
W37	341946	92908	42.8	44.6		41.1	38.1	16.5	48.2	55.8	51.9	43.4	44.6	37.2	42.2	34.2	-	
W38	342025	92894	19.7	18.6		16.0		75.2	19.6	19.4	20.8	19.5	20.4	15.4	24.5	19.8	-	
W39	341629	93139	74.6	71.9		64.8			74.2	88.4	80.7	70.1	67.3	64.0	72.9	<b>59.0</b>	<b>44.8</b>	
W40	381302	126181	29.9	25.6	26.6		17.1	29.5	27.9	24.8	28.5	30.3	32.7	26.1	27.2	22.0	-	
W42	378606	114009	38.3	30.8	28.2		22.3		27.6	28.2	35.6	34.8	38.5	29.5	31.4	25.4	-	
H2	342143	92845	26.1	28.5		25.8	28.1	30.3		33.6	29.2	29.2	28.5	24.1	28.3	23.0	-	
H3	342084	92856	30.0	32.0		27.3	29.1	34.7	36.3	19.5	30.6	30.7	29.2	24.8	29.5	23.9	-	
H4	342004	92890	31.7	34.5		29.3	36.6	40.2	40.7	44.0	33.6	35.7	34.7	29.0	35.4	28.7	-	
H5	341933	92913	35.4	35.8			31.6	63.5	47.5	53.8	40.4	40.4	37.3	31.8	41.7	33.8	-	
H6	341881	92934		54.3				42.2	76.8	74.7	63.2	62.8	54.5	44.8	59.2	<b>49.3</b>	-	
H7	341819	92953	38.9	37.0		40.0		37.4	63.7	61.4	52.2	51.0	46.0	40.7	46.8	37.9	36.1	
H8	342129	92847	35.0	37.5		33.4	36.8		44.7	19.6	33.7	38.1	33.1	28.8	34.1	27.6	-	

☒ All erroneous data has been removed from the NO<sub>2</sub> diffusion tube dataset presented in Table B.1.

☒ Annualisation has been conducted where data capture is <75% and >25% in line with LAQM.TG22.

☐ Local bias adjustment factor used.

☒ National bias adjustment factor used.

☒ Where applicable, data has been distance corrected for relevant exposure in the final column.

☒ Dorset Council confirm that all 2024 diffusion tube data has been uploaded to the Diffusion Tube Data Entry System.

#### Notes:

Exceedances of the NO<sub>2</sub> annual mean objective of 40µg/m<sup>3</sup> are shown in **bold**.

NO<sub>2</sub> annual means exceeding 60µg/m<sup>3</sup>, indicating a potential exceedance of the NO<sub>2</sub> 1-hour mean objective are shown in **bold and underlined**.

See Appendix C for details on bias adjustment and annualisation.

## Appendix C: Supporting Technical Information / Air Quality Monitoring Data QA/QC

### New or Changed Sources Identified Within Dorset Council During 2024

Dorset Council has not identified any new sources relating to air quality within the reporting year of 2024.

### Additional Air Quality Works Undertaken by Dorset Council During 2024

Dorset Council has undertaken two discreet additional air quality works during the reporting year of 2024.

Firstly, Dorchester AQMA has been revoked. The revocation order and report are available from:

Order: <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/documents/d/guest/dc-air-quality-management-revocation-order-2025-signed>

Report: <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/documents/d/guest/revocation-report-draft-finalv2>

Secondly, the DEFRA-grant funded solid fuel project was concluded with the report published in early 2025, with the bulk of the work and monitoring completed in 2024. The report is available from: <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/documents/d/guest/defra-air-quality-report-1>

### QA/QC of Diffusion Tube Monitoring

Dorset Council utilised diffusion tubes supplied by Somerset County Council Scientific Services. The method used was 20% TEA in water.

### Diffusion Tube Annualisation

#### Table C.1 – Annualisation Summary (concentrations presented in $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )

Site ID	Annualisati on Factor Bournemouth	Annualisati on Factor Honiton	Annualisati on Factor Charlton Mackrell	Annualisati on Factor Christchurch	Average Annualisati on Factor	Raw Data Annual Mean	Annualised Annual Mean
W5	0.9327		0.9500	0.9117	0.9315	33.8	31.5
W18	0.9447		0.9558	0.9000	0.9335	33.0	30.8
W24	0.9354		0.9593	0.9373	0.9440	12.2	11.6
H6	1.0828		1.0122	0.9921	1.0290	59.2	60.9

### Diffusion Tube Bias Adjustment Factors

The diffusion tube data presented within the 2024 ASR have been corrected for bias using an adjustment factor. Bias represents the overall tendency of the diffusion tubes to under or over-read relative to the reference chemiluminescence analyser. LAQM.TG22 provides guidance with regard to the application of a bias adjustment factor to correct diffusion tube monitoring. Triplicate co-location studies can be used to determine a local bias factor based on the comparison of diffusion tube results with data taken from NO<sub>x</sub>/NO<sub>2</sub> continuous analysers. Alternatively, the national database of diffusion tube co-location surveys provides bias factors for the relevant laboratory and preparation method.

Dorset Council have applied a national bias adjustment factor of 0.81 to the 2024 monitoring data. A summary of bias adjustment factors used by Dorset Council over the past five years is presented in Table C.2.

**Table C.2 – Bias Adjustment Factor**

Monitoring Year	Local or National	If National, Version of National Spreadsheet	Adjustment Factor
<b>2024</b>	National	03/25	SCC: 0.81
<b>2023</b>	National	03/24	SCC: 0.79
<b>2022</b>	National	03/23	SCC: 0.82
<b>2021</b>	National	03/22	SYAQS: 0.77
<b>2020</b>	National	03/21	Gradko: 0.82 SYAQS: 0.77

## NO<sub>2</sub> Fall-off with Distance from the Road

Wherever possible, monitoring locations are representative of exposure. However, where this is not possible, the NO<sub>2</sub> concentration at the nearest location relevant for exposure has been estimated using the Diffusion Tube Data Processing Tool/NO<sub>2</sub> fall-off with distance calculator available on the LAQM Support website. Where appropriate, non-automatic annual mean NO<sub>2</sub> concentrations corrected for distance are presented in Table B.1.

**Table C.3 – Non-Automatic NO<sub>2</sub> Fall off With Distance Calculations (concentrations presented in µg/m<sup>3</sup>)**

Site ID	Distance (m): Monitoring Site to Kerb	Distance (m): Receptor to Kerb	Monitored Concentration (Annualised and Bias Adjusted)	Background Concentration	Concentration Predicted at Receptor	Comments
W39	1.0	4.5	59.0	12.2	<b>44.8</b>	<i>Predicted concentration at Receptor above AQS objective.</i>
H7	6.0	7.5	37.9	12.2	36.1	<i>Predicted concentration at Receptor within 10% the AQS objective.</i>

## QA/QC of Automatic Monitoring

### PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> Monitoring Adjustment

The type of PM<sub>10</sub>/PM<sub>2.5</sub> monitor(s) utilised within Dorset Council do not require the application of a correction factor.

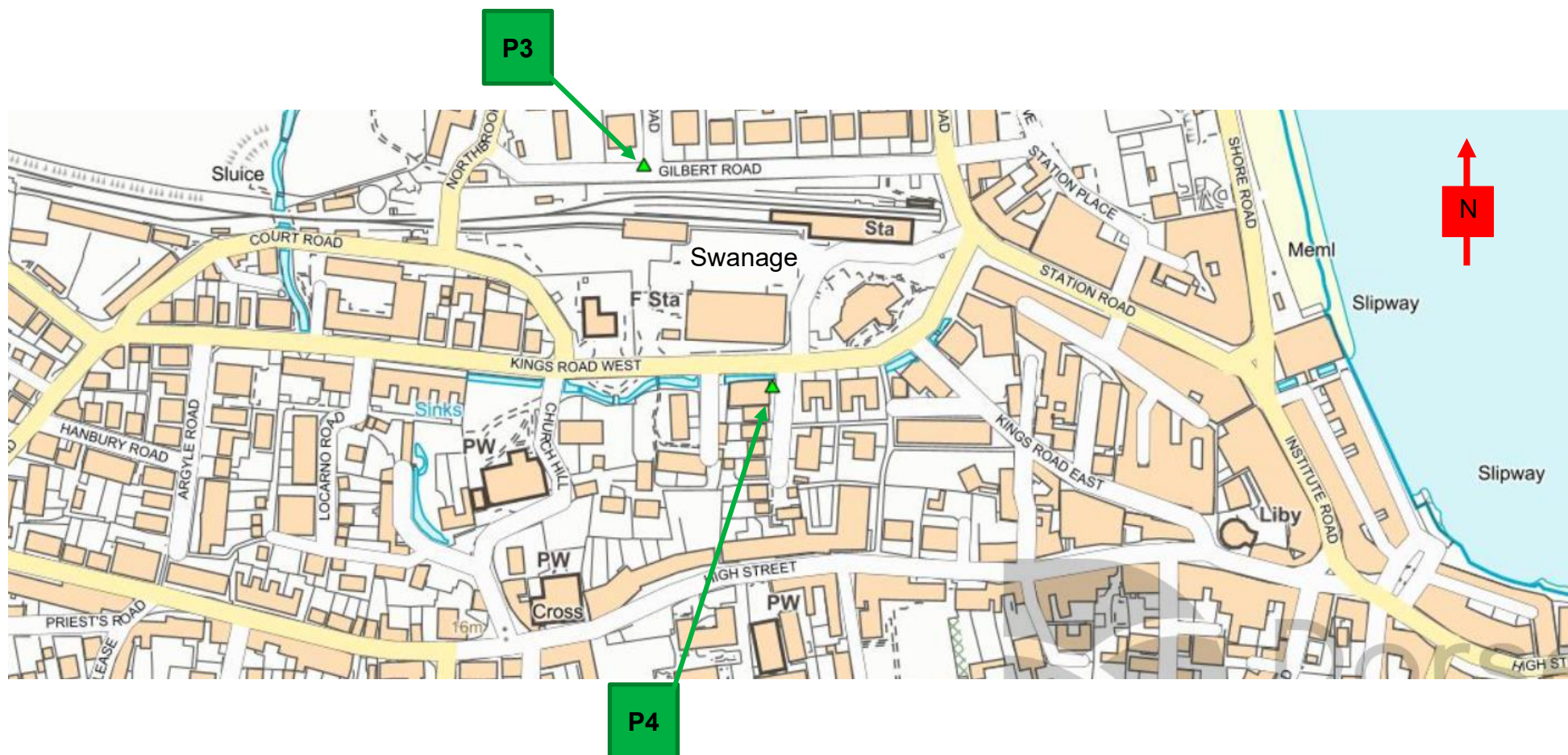
### Automatic Monitoring Annualisation

All automatic monitoring locations within Dorset Council recorded data capture of greater than 75% therefore it was not required to annualise any monitoring data. In addition, any sites with a data capture below 25% do not require annualisation.

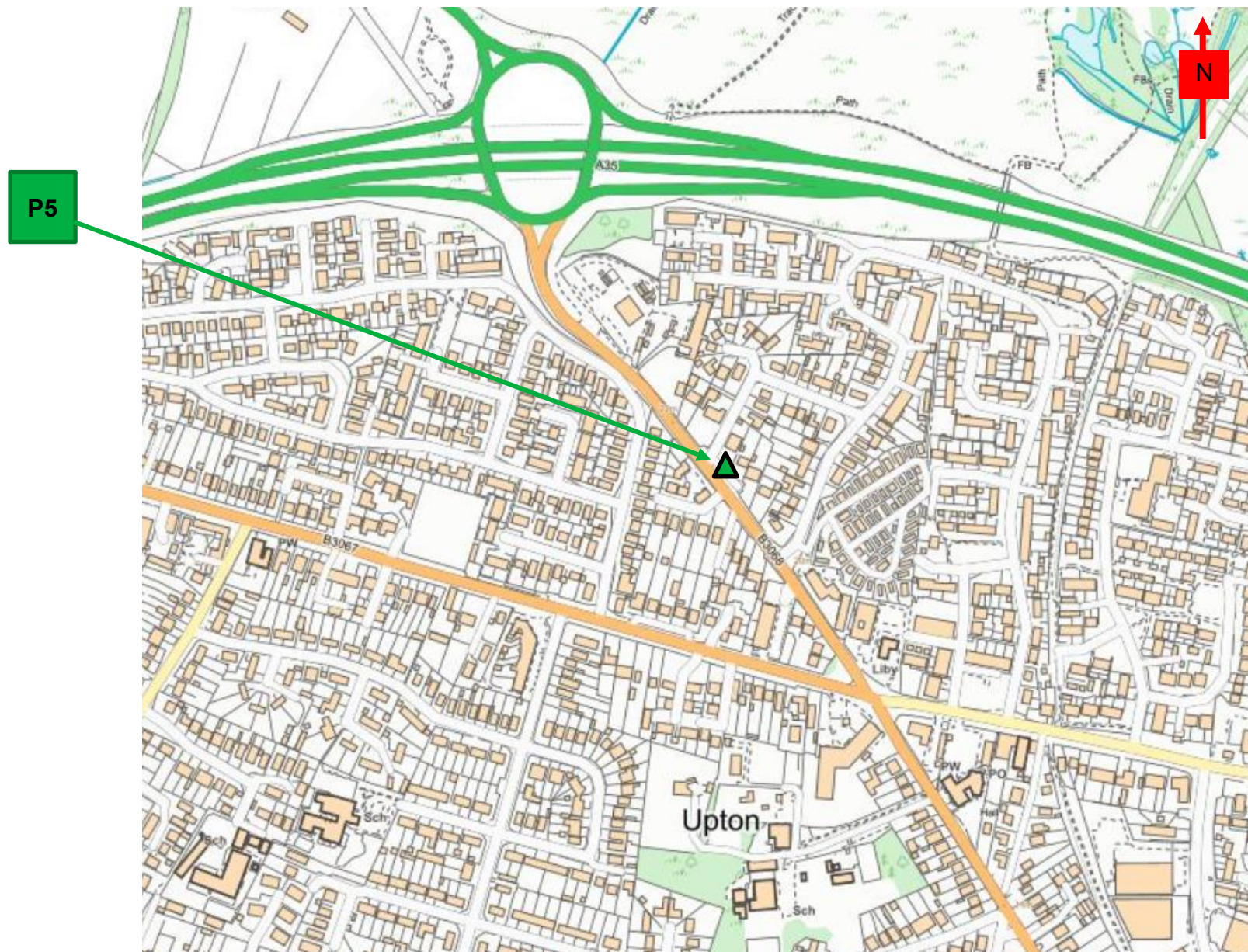


## Appendix D: Map(s) of Monitoring Locations and AQMAs

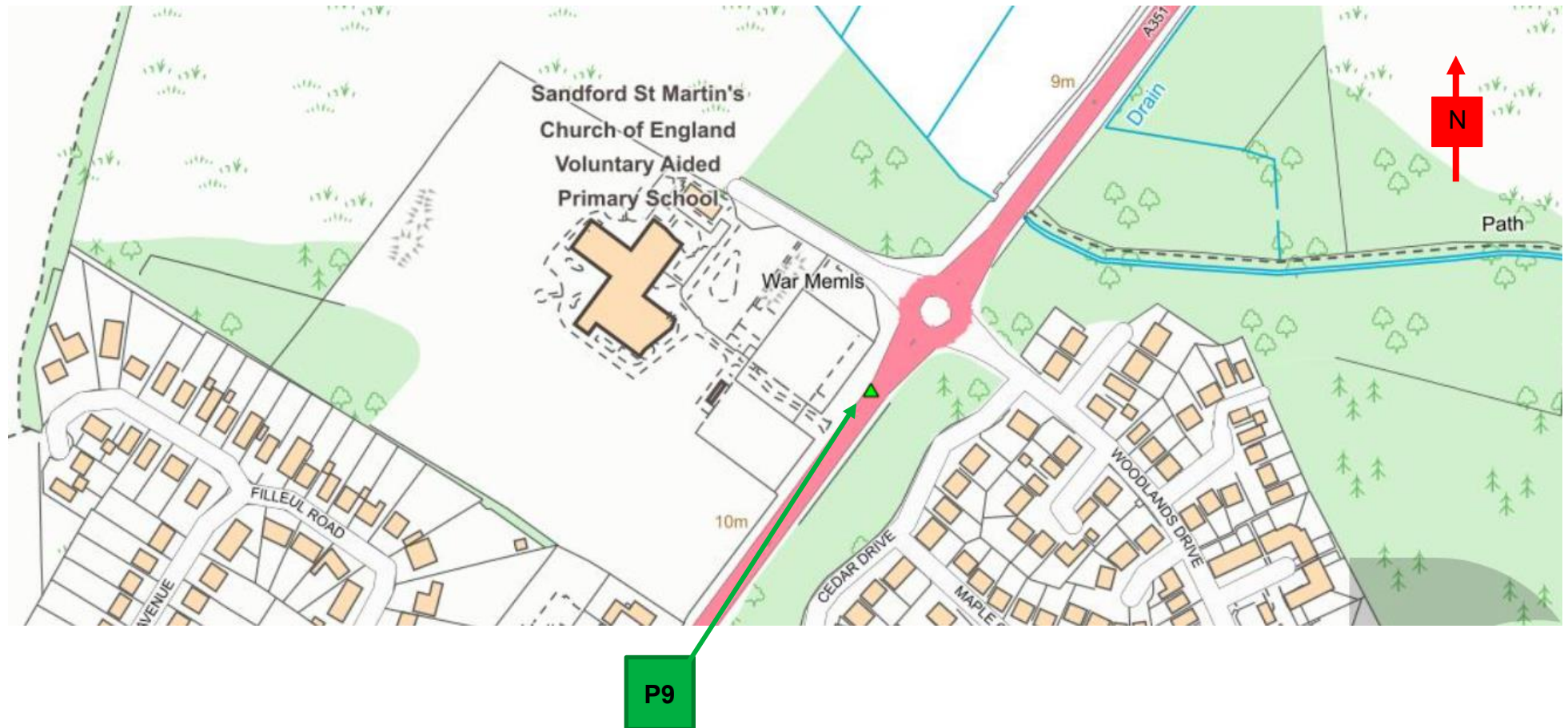
Figure D.1 – Map of Non-Automatic Monitoring Site

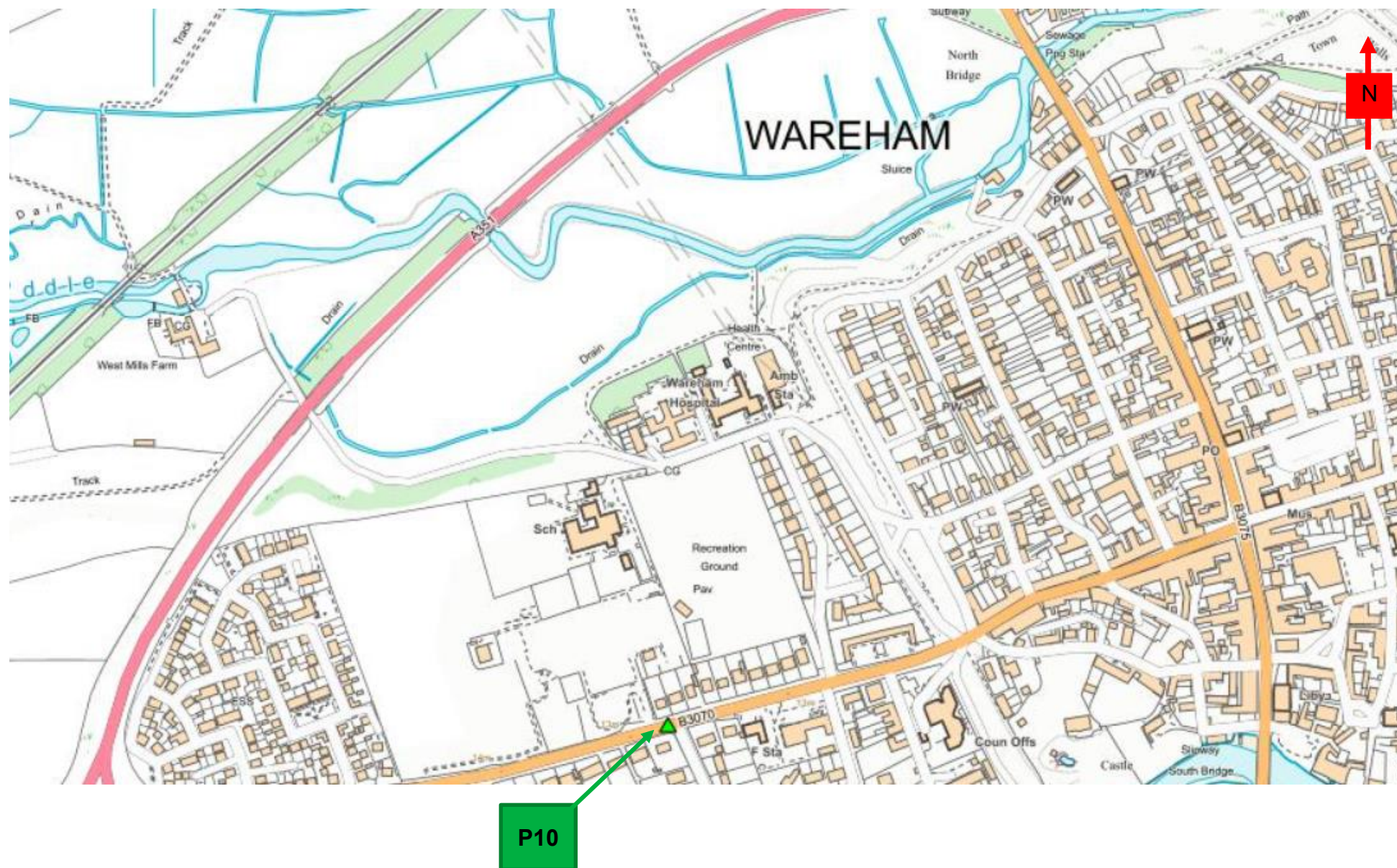




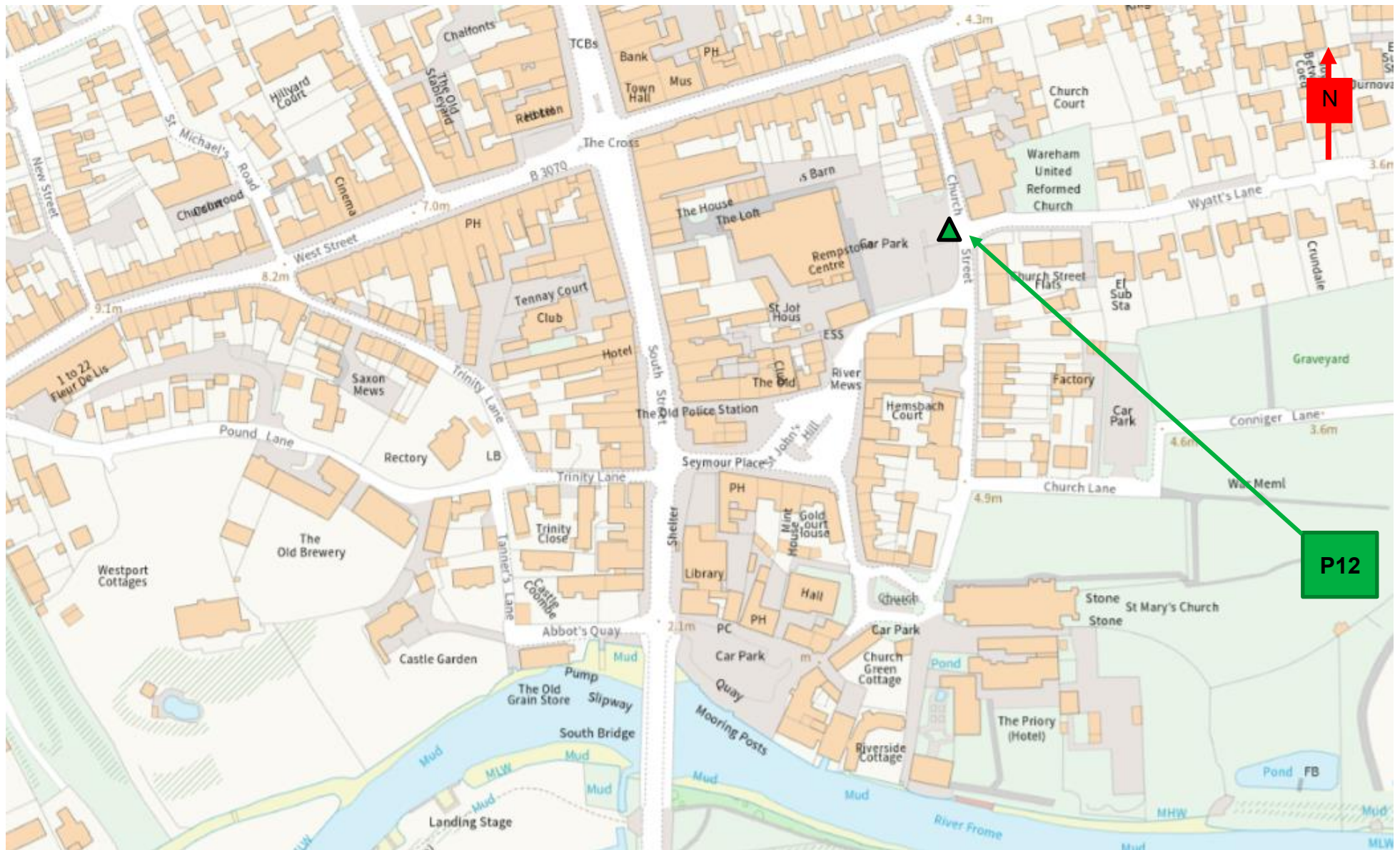


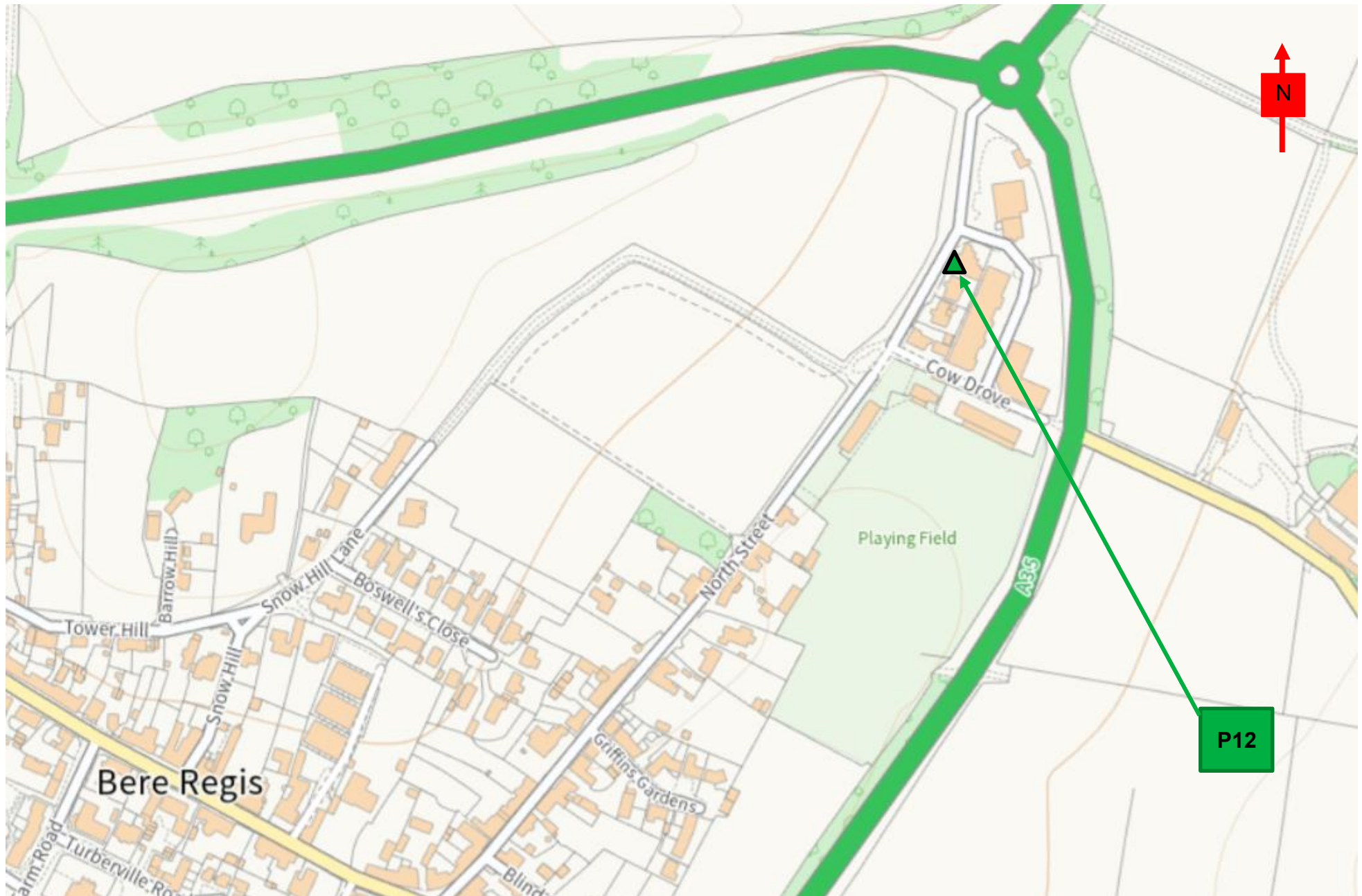




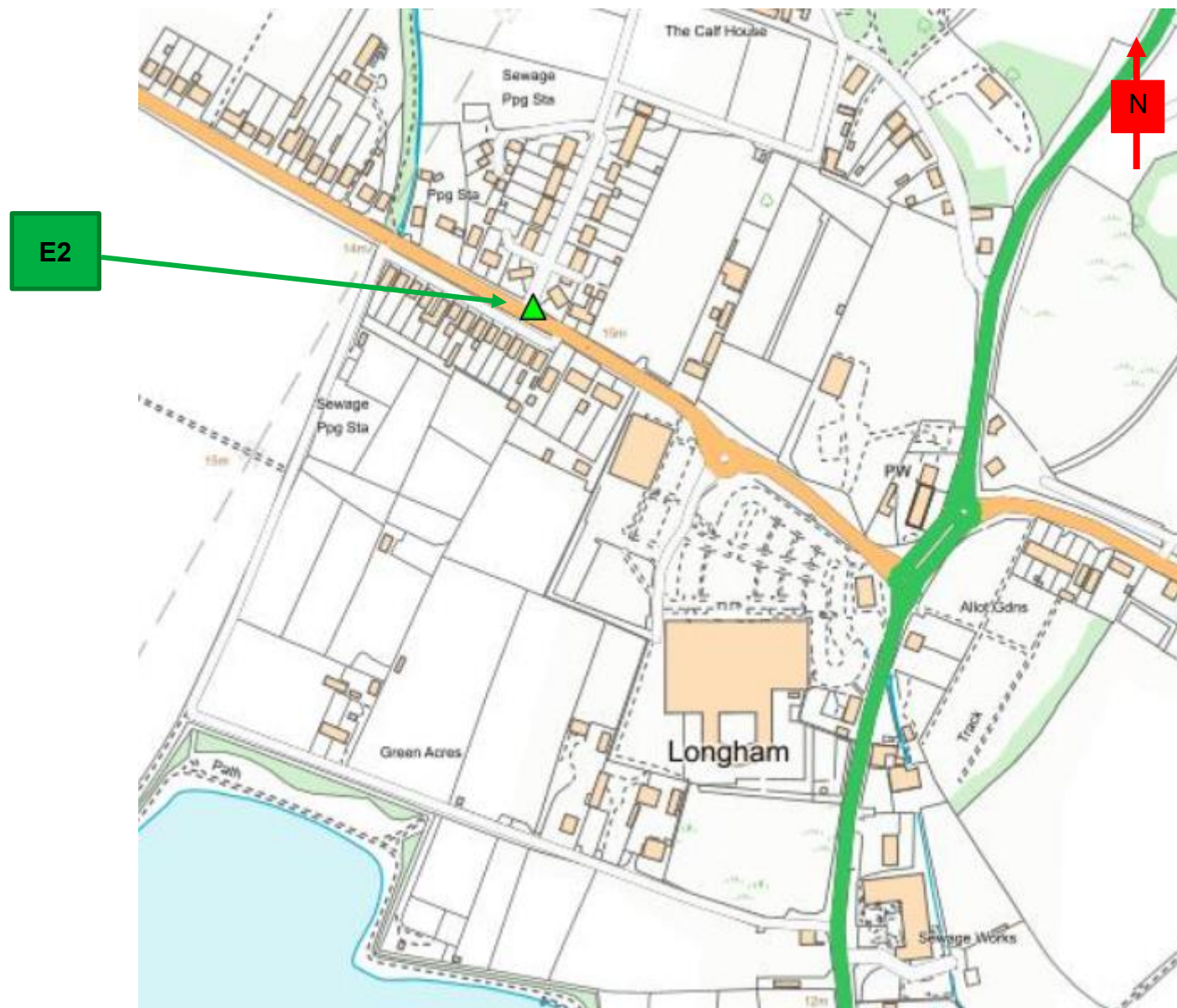


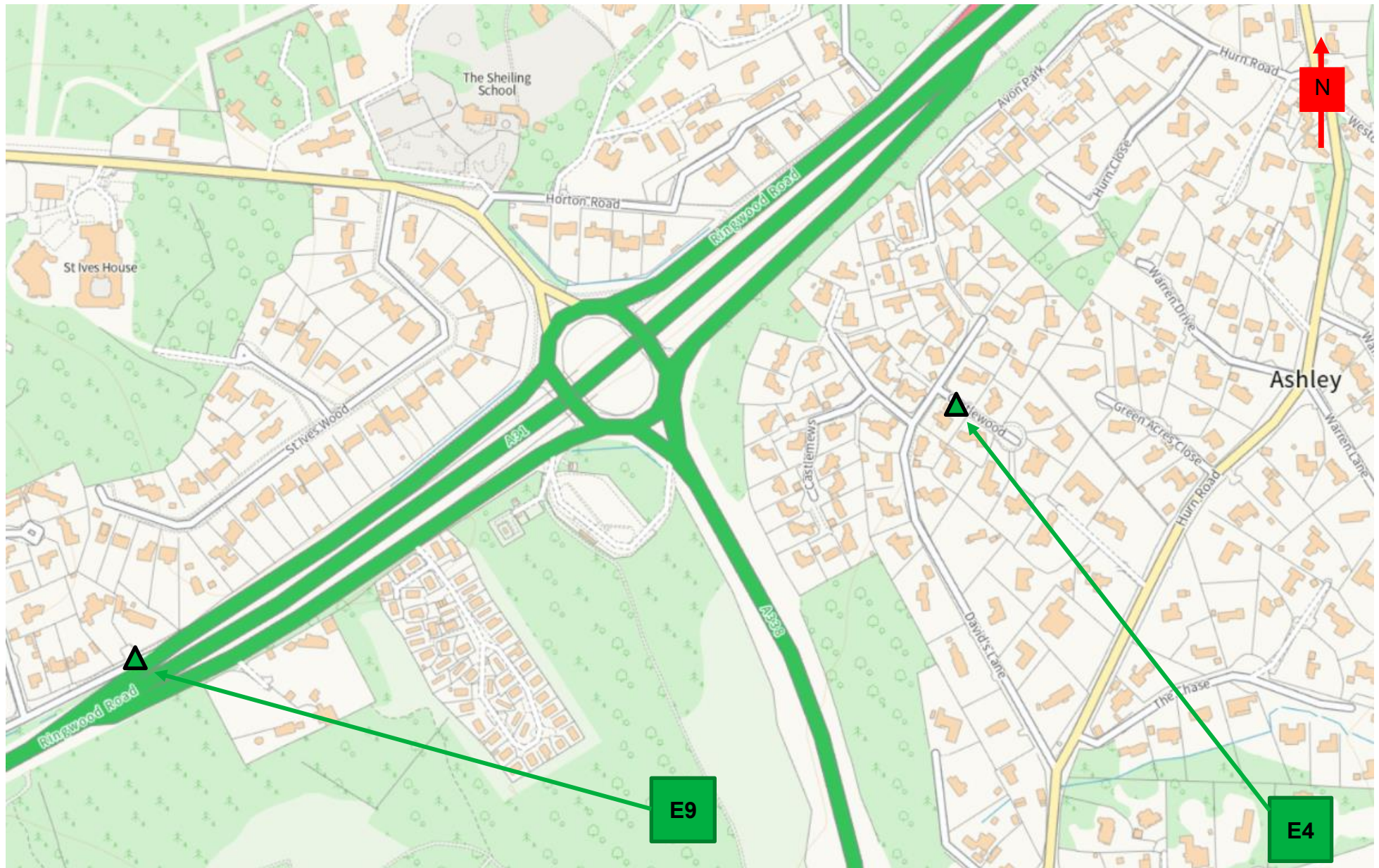




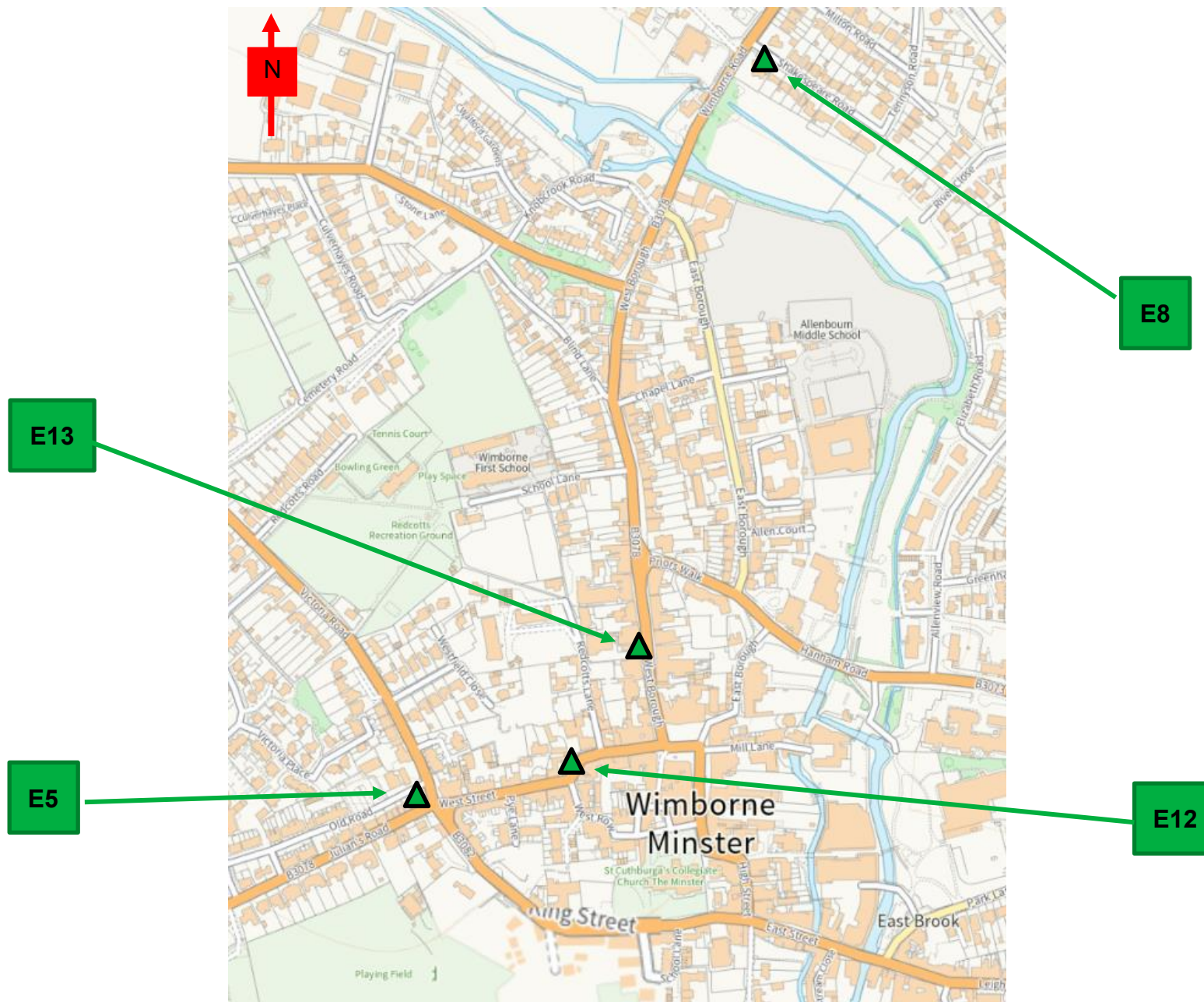












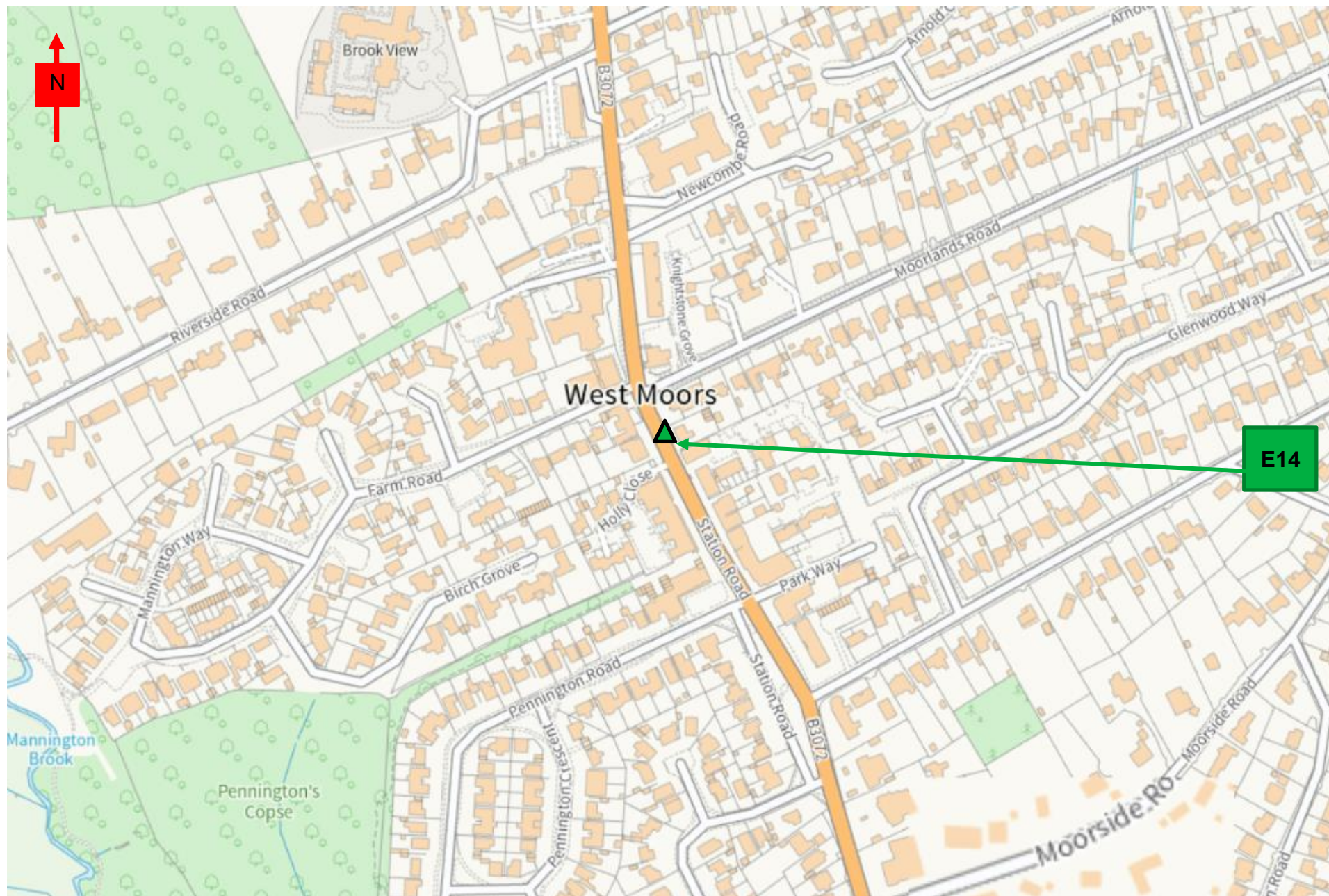




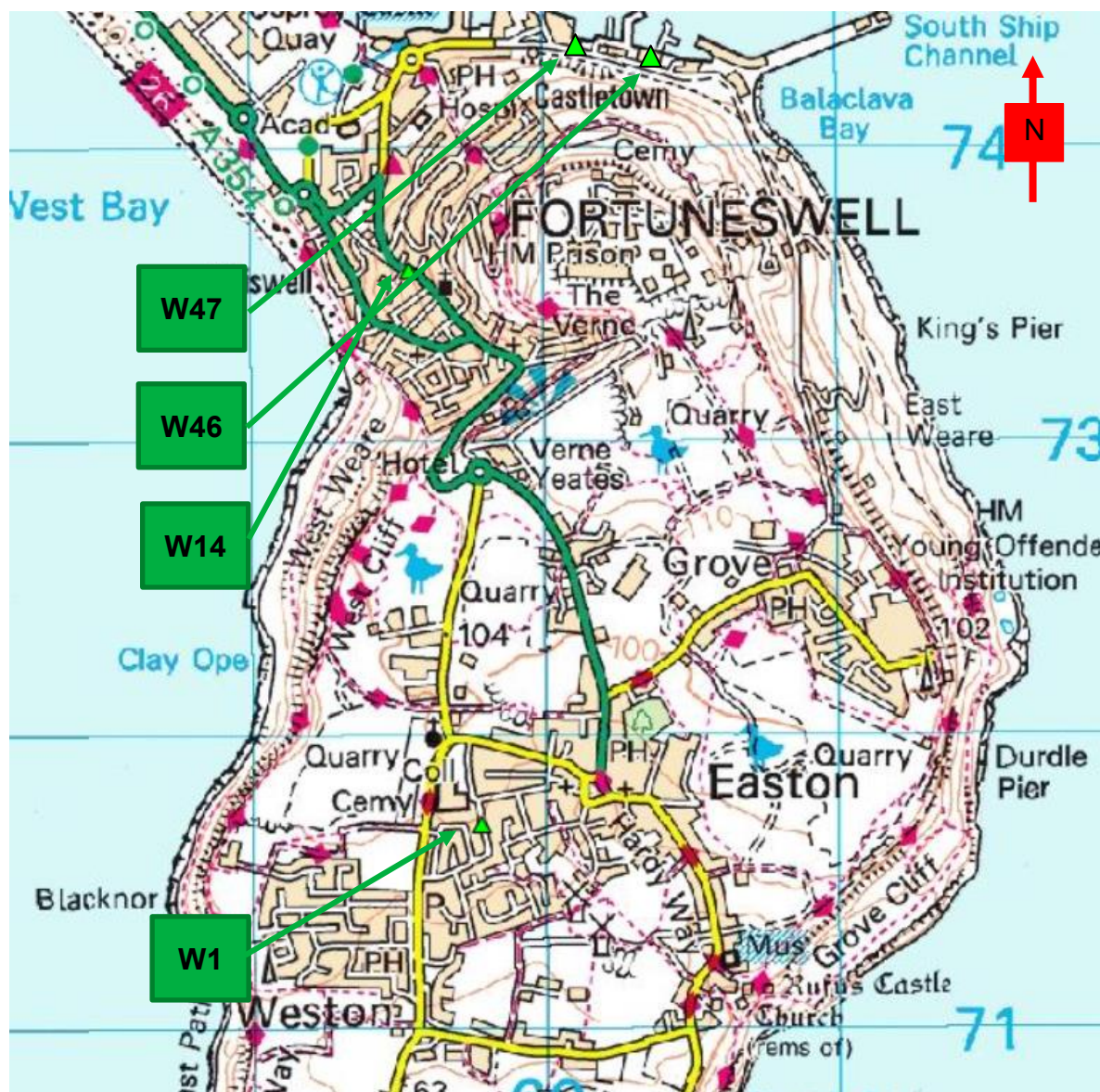




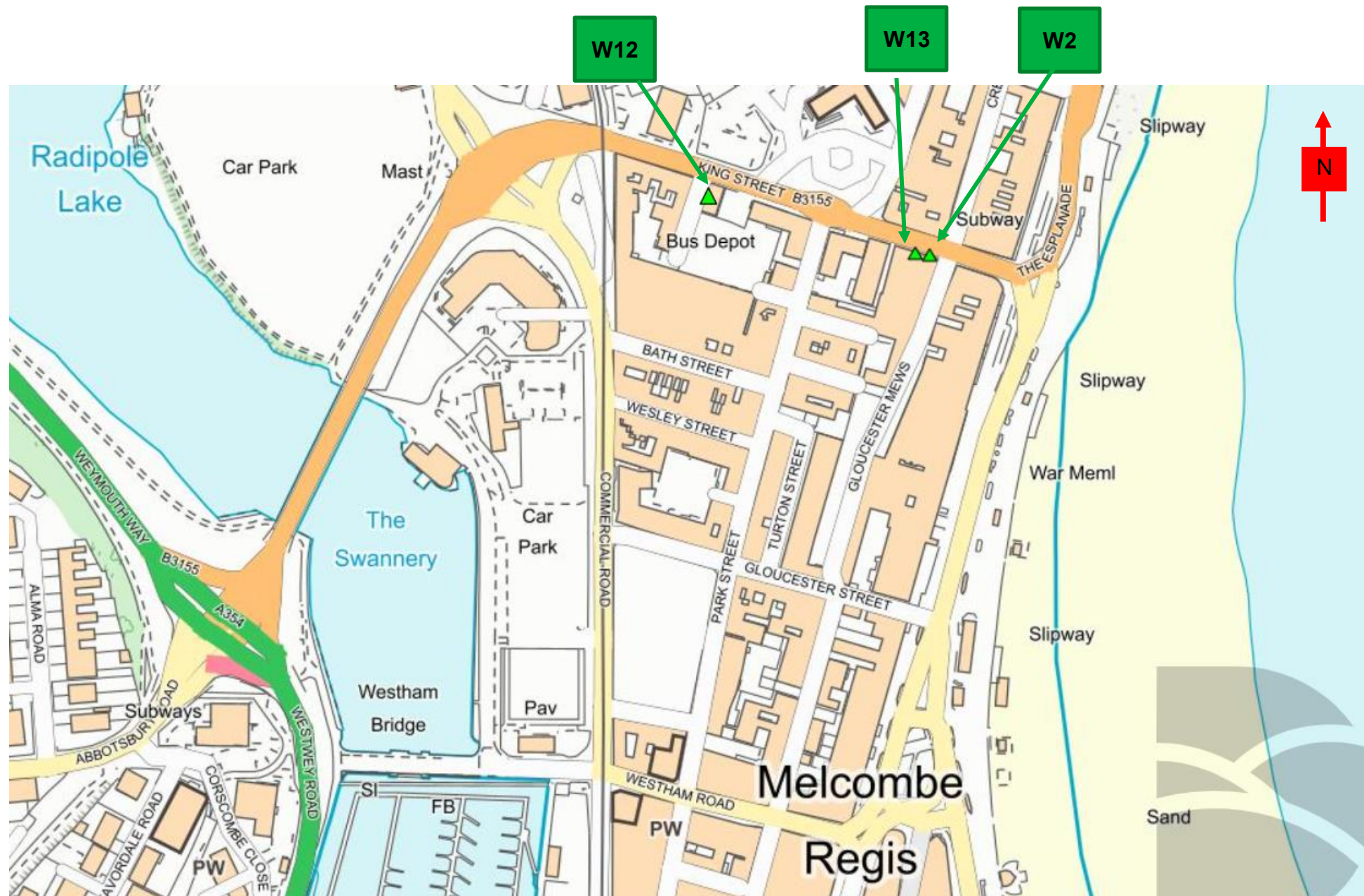


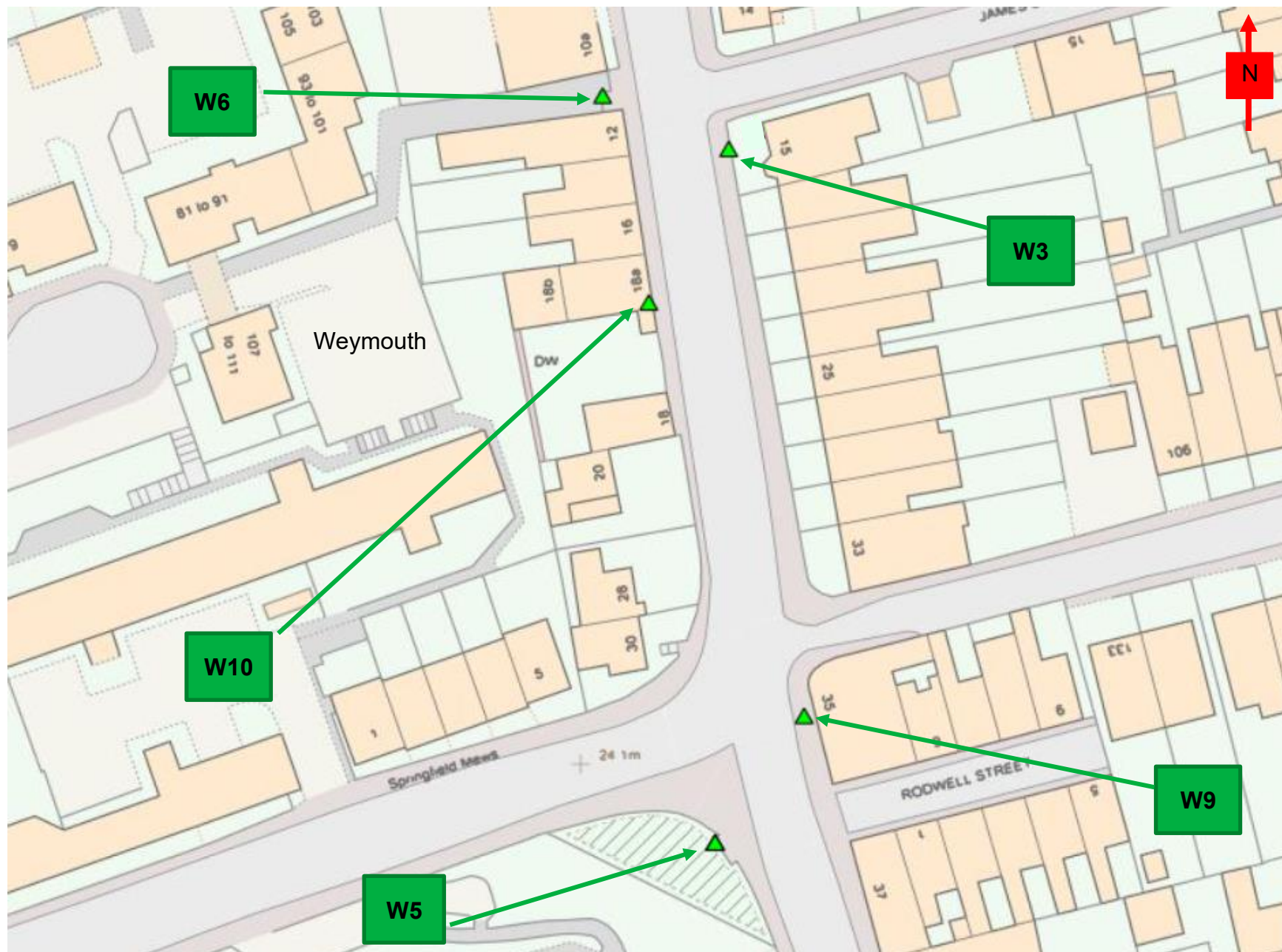




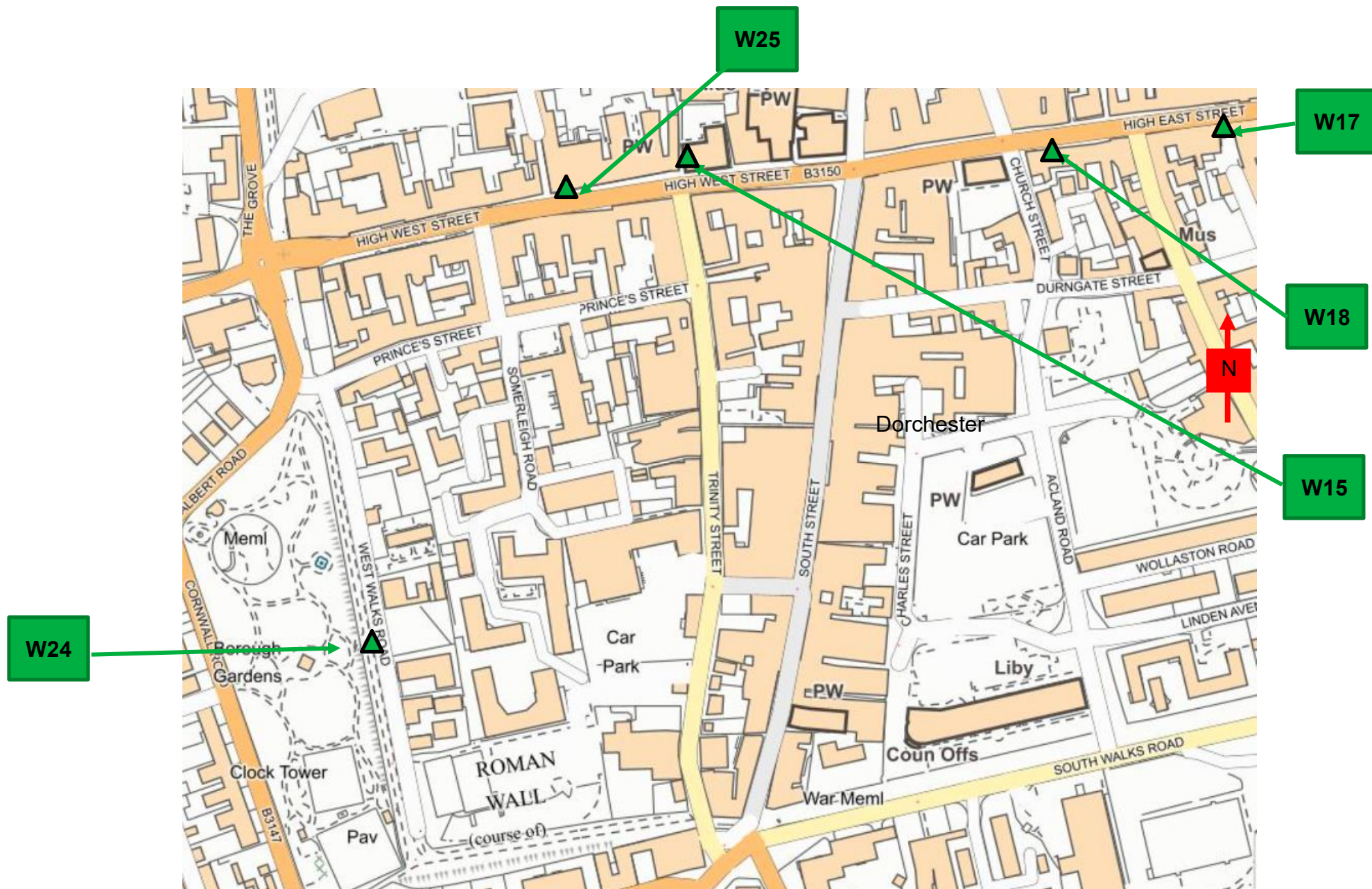




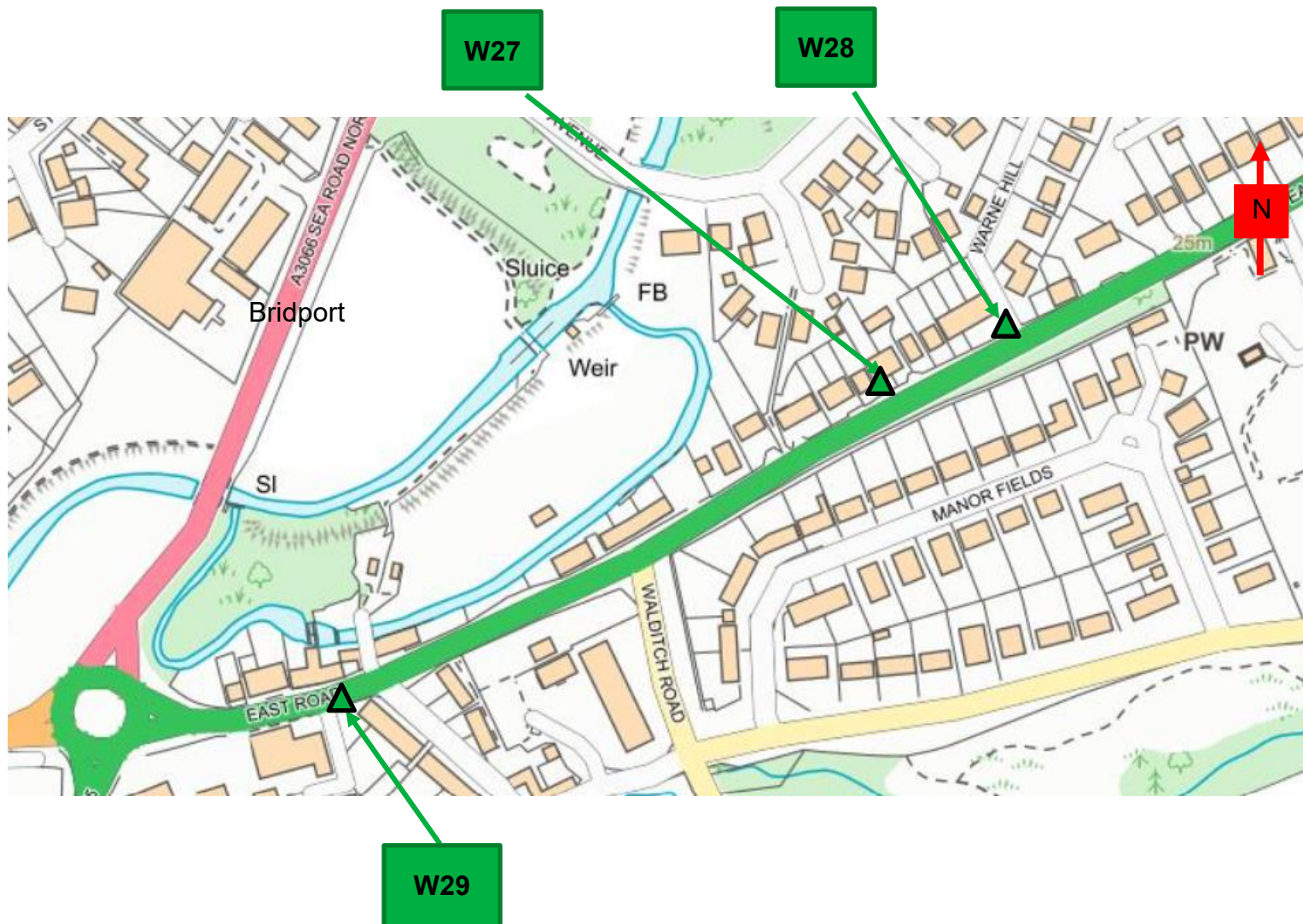


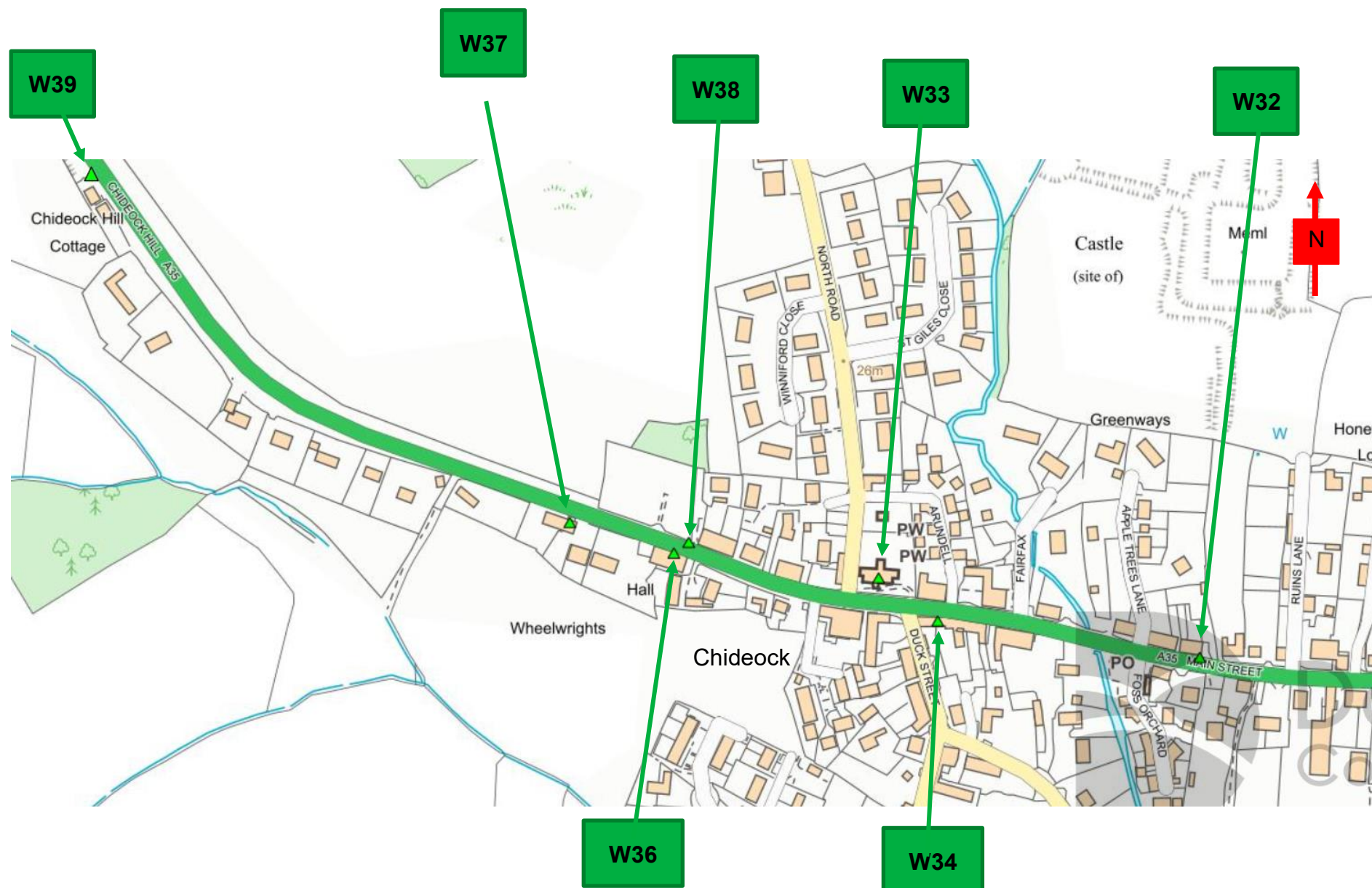




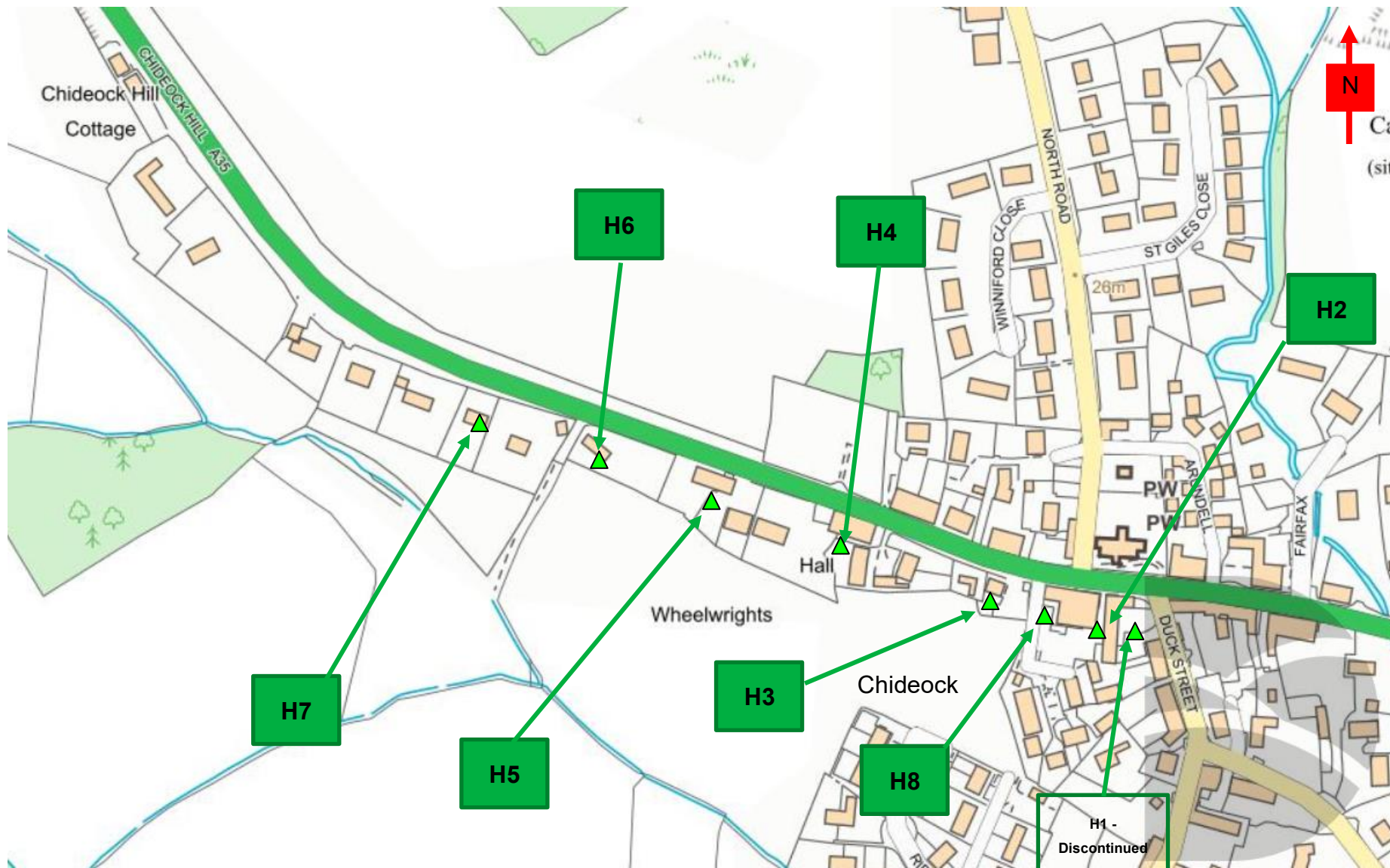


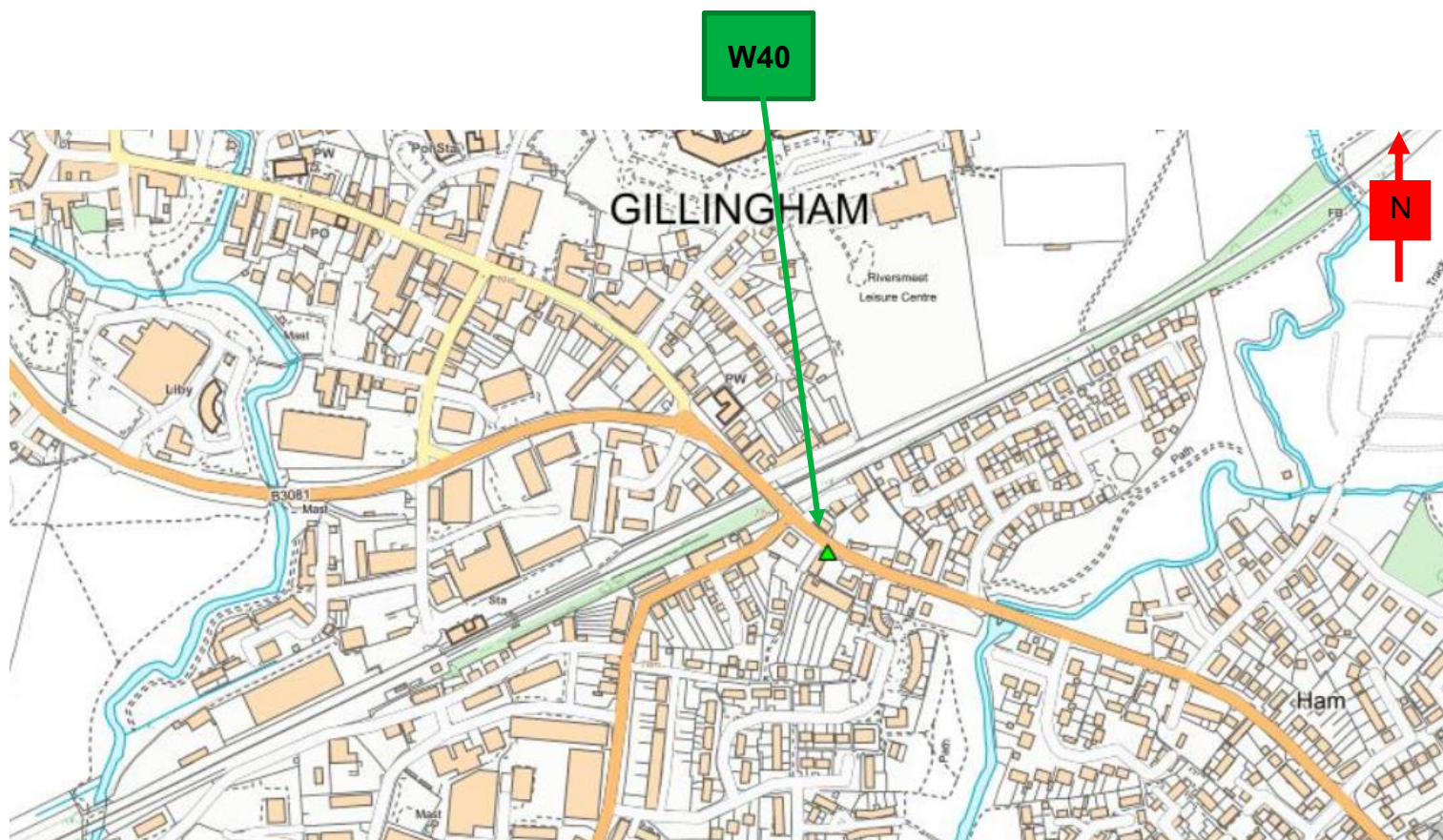










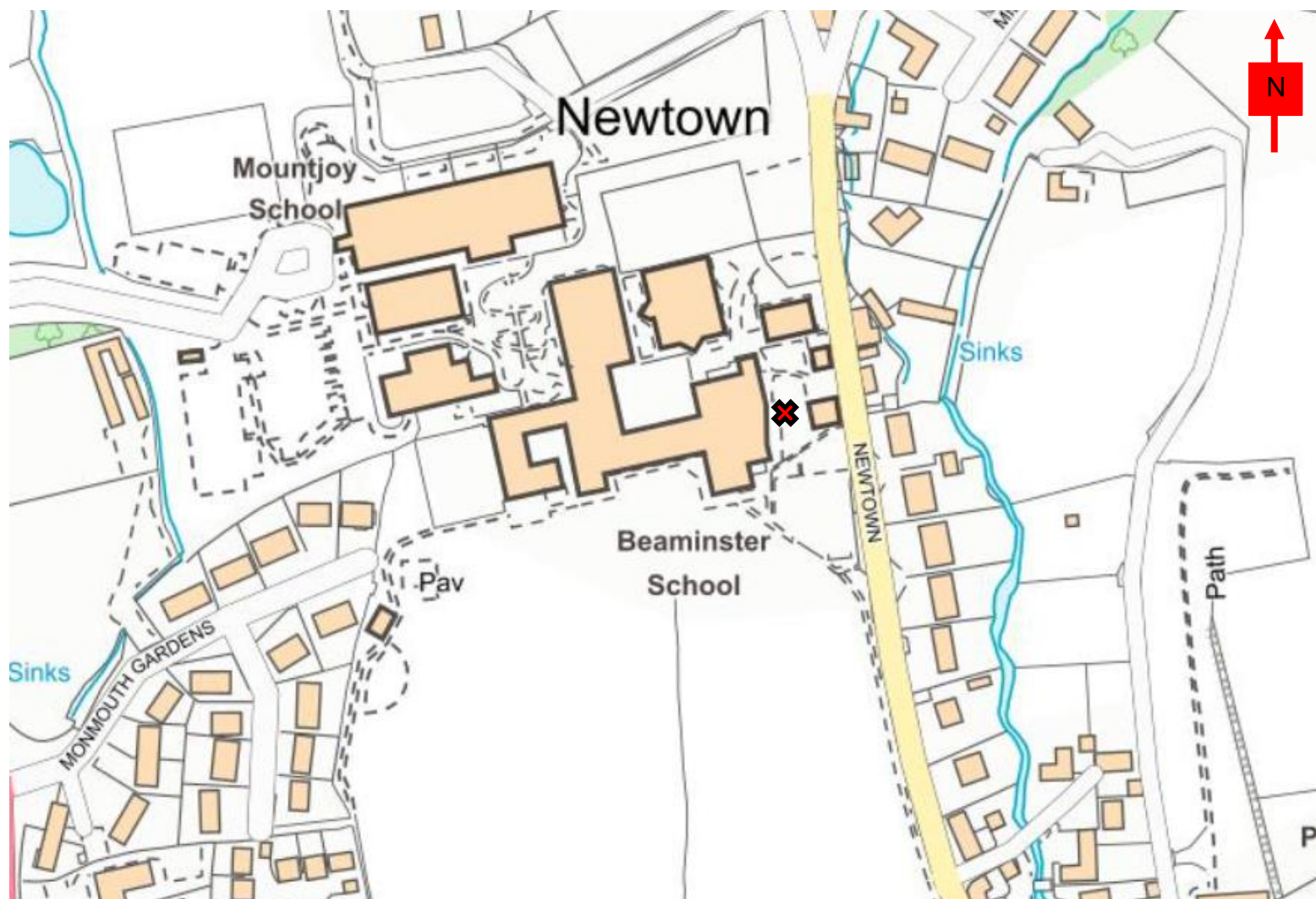






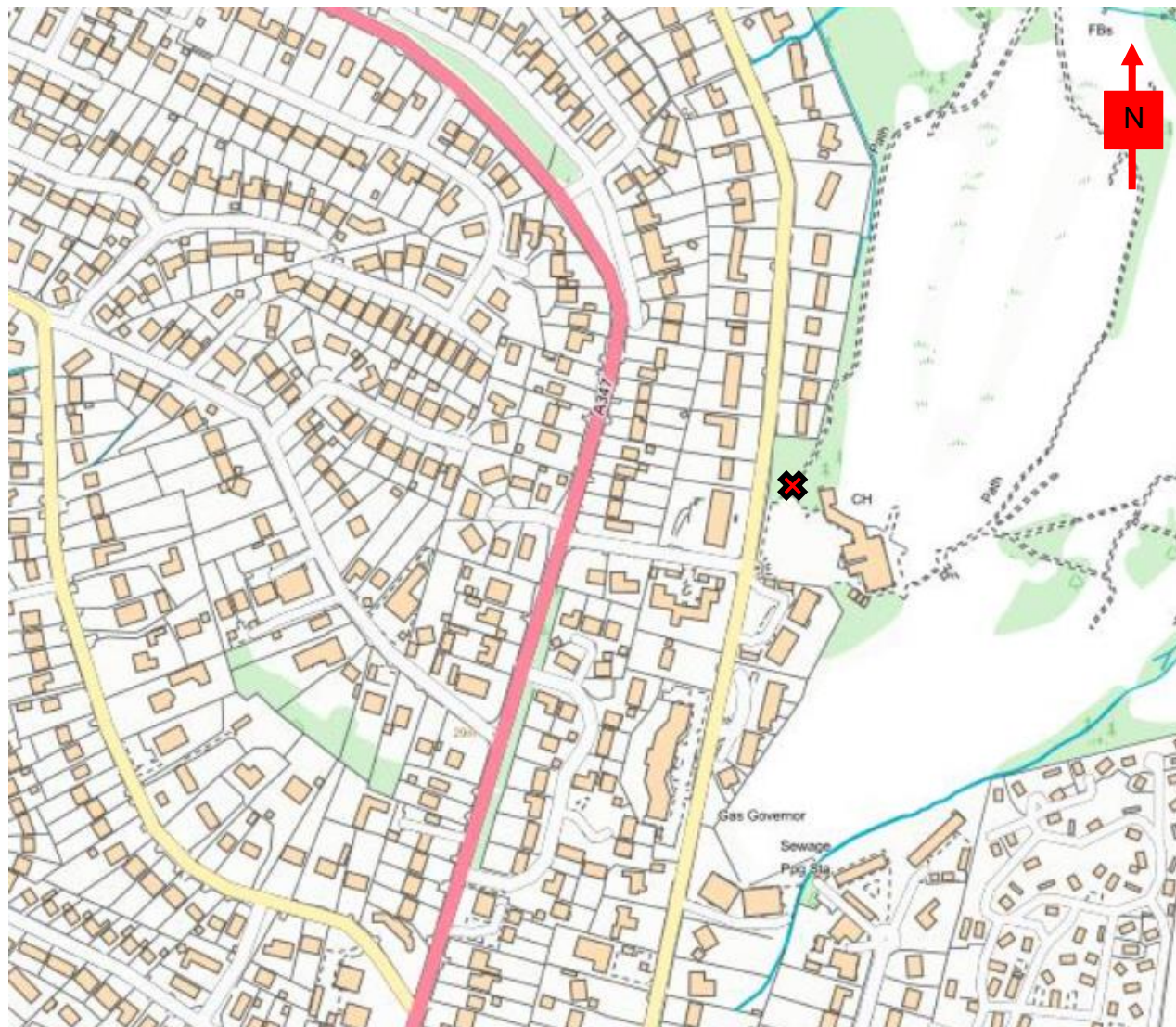
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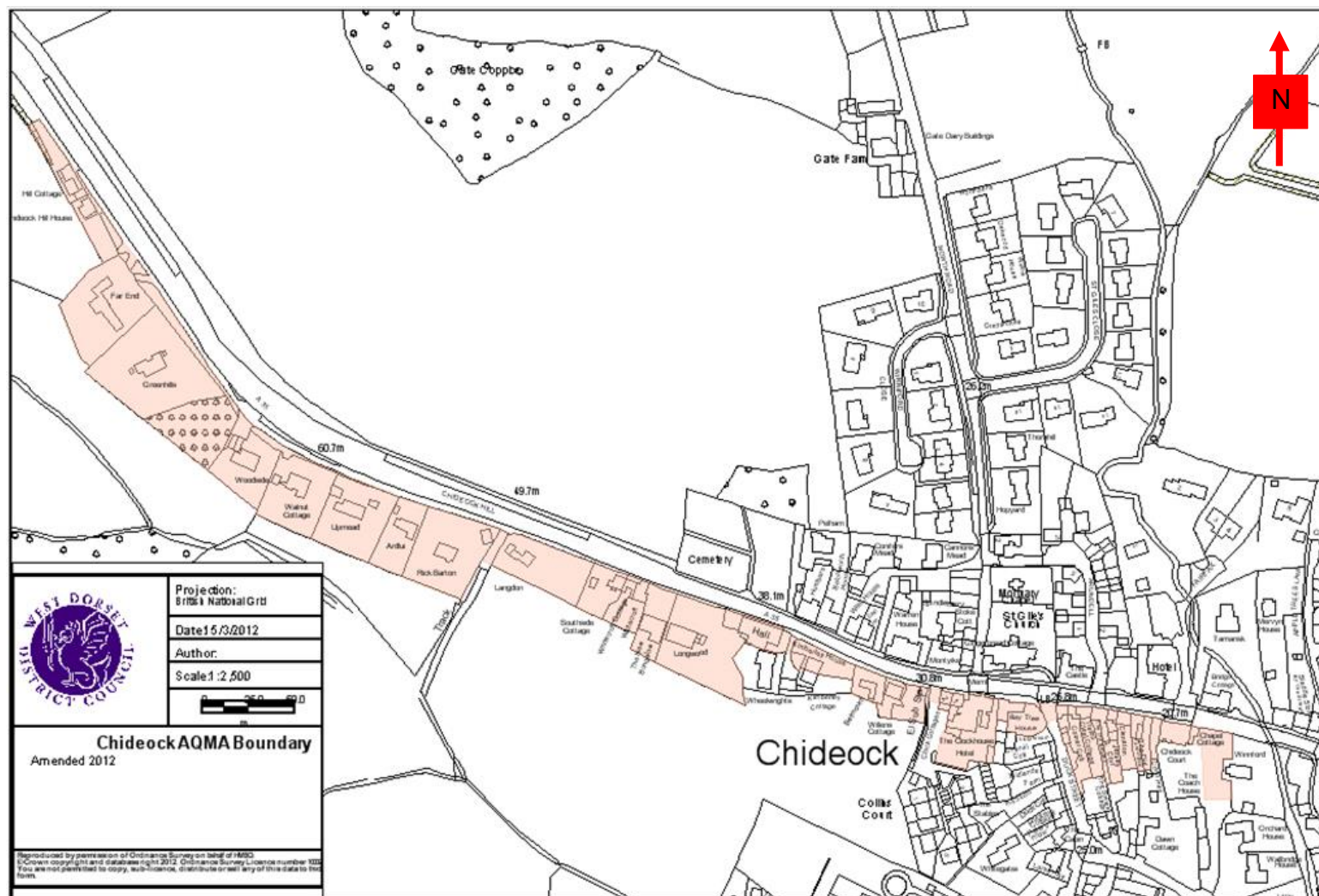
### Figure D.2 – Map of AQMAs

## AQMA Chideock 2007 Boundary





## AQMA Chideock 2012 Amended Boundary



## Appendix E: Summary of Air Quality Objectives in England

**Table E.1 – Air Quality Objectives in England<sup>2</sup>**

Pollutant	Air Quality Objective: Concentration	Air Quality Objective: Measured as
Nitrogen Dioxide (NO <sub>2</sub> )	200µg/m <sup>3</sup> not to be exceeded more than 18 times a year	1-hour mean
Nitrogen Dioxide (NO <sub>2</sub> )	40µg/m <sup>3</sup>	Annual mean
Particulate Matter (PM <sub>10</sub> )	50µg/m <sup>3</sup> , not to be exceeded more than 35 times a year	24-hour mean
Particulate Matter (PM <sub>10</sub> )	40µg/m <sup>3</sup>	Annual mean
Sulphur Dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> )	350µg/m <sup>3</sup> , not to be exceeded more than 24 times a year	1-hour mean
Sulphur Dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> )	125µg/m <sup>3</sup> , not to be exceeded more than 3 times a year	24-hour mean
Sulphur Dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> )	266µg/m <sup>3</sup> , not to be exceeded more than 35 times a year	15-minute mean

<sup>2</sup> The units are in microgrammes of pollutant per cubic metre of air (µg/m<sup>3</sup>).

## Glossary of Terms

Abbreviation	Description
AQAP	Air Quality Action Plan - A detailed description of measures, outcomes, achievement dates and implementation methods, showing how the local authority intends to achieve air quality limit values'
AQMA	Air Quality Management Area – An area where air pollutant concentrations exceed / are likely to exceed the relevant air quality objectives. AQMAs are declared for specific pollutants and objectives
ASR	Annual Status Report
Defra	Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
DMRB	Design Manual for Roads and Bridges – Air quality screening tool produced by National Highways
LAQM	Local Air Quality Management
NO <sub>2</sub>	Nitrogen Dioxide
NO <sub>x</sub>	Nitrogen Oxides
PM <sub>10</sub>	Airborne particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of 10µm or less
PM <sub>2.5</sub>	Airborne particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of 2.5µm or less
QA/QC	Quality Assurance and Quality Control
SO <sub>2</sub>	Sulphur Dioxide

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