

CANNOCK CHASE DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR, CRIME AND POLICING ACT 2014

PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDER 2025

The Cannock Chase District Council (“the Council”), in exercise of its powers under Section 59 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 (“the Act”), hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order shall come into operation on INSERT and shall have effect for a period of three years from the date hereof (unless it is extended pursuant to Section 60 or varied pursuant to Section 61 of the Act).
2. This Order applies to the areas within the Cannock Chase District as specified in the Schedule to this Order and shown marked on the attached plans at Appendices 1-5, being public spaces in the Council’s area to which the Act applies (“the Restricted Areas”).

BY THIS ORDER

3. The effect of this Order is to impose the following prohibitions and/or requirements in the Restricted Area(s), as defined in Appendices 1-5, at all times:-

a) **Alcohol**

- Any person is prohibited from having an open alcohol container in their possession or consuming alcohol or anything which is reasonably believed to be alcohol.
- Any person is required to surrender any open alcohol container, or which is reasonably believed to be alcohol or a container for alcohol, when required to do so by a Police Constable, or any authorised person.
- The Restricted Areas for this prohibition are defined in the Schedule of Restricted Areas and Appendices 1-5.

b) **Motor Vehicles**

- Any person is prohibited from engaging, assisting or causing any anti-social behaviour connected to the use of a mechanically propelled vehicle/powered transporter (this includes cars, quad bikes, motorbikes, scooters, mopeds and e-bikes).
- Prohibited behaviour includes, but is not limited to:

- i. Sounding horns (so as to cause nuisance), playing loud music or revving engines;
 - ii. Driving in a way to cause danger to themselves or other individuals, or in a way which causes damage, or a risk of damage, to property;
 - iii. Performing stunts (including, but not limited to, doughnuts, skidding, handbrake turns, wheel spinning);
 - iv. Causing obstruction of a public highway or publicly accessible place (whether by moving or stationary vehicles or otherwise).
- The Restricted Area for this prohibition is defined in the Schedule of Restricted Areas as the whole District of Cannock Chase.

c) E-scooters

- Any person is prohibited from riding an E-scooter (and an e-bike which does not meet the standard requirements of an Electronically Assisted Pedal Cycle).
- Any person may push and walk alongside their E-scooter (or non-compliant e-bike) through the defined area.
- The Restricted Area for this prohibition is defined in the Schedule of Restricted Areas as the whole District of Cannock Chase.

d) Urination/defection/hypodermic needles

- Any person is prohibited from urinating, defecating, or unsafely disposing of hypodermic needles, or associated paraphernalia.
- The Restricted Areas for this prohibition are defined in the Schedule of Restricted Areas and Appendices 1-3.

e) Abandoned items

- Any person is prohibited from leaving unattended personal belongings in a manner that impedes entrances and exits to buildings, properties, public thoroughfares and fire exits, or in a way which poses a public health risk.
- The Restricted Areas for this prohibition are defined in the Schedule of Restricted Areas and Appendices 1-3.

f) Unauthorised access onto properties/buildings

- Any person is prohibited from climbing, or accessing, any structure or building other than for a lawful purpose.
- The Restricted Areas for this prohibition are defined in the Schedule of Restricted Areas and Appendices 1, 3 and 4.

g) Loitering

- Any person is prohibited from loitering or otherwise gathering in groups in circumstances where this is causing, or is likely to cause, ASB.
- The Restricted Areas for this prohibition are defined in the Schedule of Restricted Areas and Appendices 1-5.

4. Exemptions

- (i) Nothing in Paragraph 3a of this Order shall apply to a person who is in possession of an open alcohol container within the curtilage of any licensed premises located within a restricted area, or any premises licensed under s.11 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the supply of alcohol, or premises permitting the sale of alcohol by s.100 of the said Act (Temporary Event Notices), or premises permitting the sale of alcohol by s.115E of the Highways Act 1980.
- (ii) Nothing in Paragraph 3(b) iv of this Order shall apply to emergency, cash-in-transit or Royal Mail vehicles, or to vehicles of any kind being used solely for the purposes of loading and unloading on any day between the hours of 4:00 pm and 10:00 am only.
- (iii) Nothing in Paragraph 3c of this Order shall apply to a person who uses an E-scooter as a mobility aid and cannot safely dismount and push for any significant distance, but these persons must use these aids in a careful and considerate manner.
- (iv) The EAPC regulations set out the requirements that e-bikes must satisfy so that they are not considered motor vehicles when on the roads in the UK. The requirements are:
 - cycle must be fitted with pedals that are capable of propelling it
 - maximum continuous rated power of the electric motor must not exceed 250 Watts
 - electrical assistance must cut-off when the vehicles reaches 15.5mph

Bikes that meet these requirements are exempt from this PSPO.

5. Authorised Person

An “authorised person” for the purposes of this Order means any person authorised in writing by the Council for the purposes of giving directions under this Order, including an employee of Cannock Chase District Council, a Police Officer or a Police Community Support Officer, authorised by virtue of Section 69 of the Act.

The Council is satisfied that the conditions set out in Sections 59, 64 and 72 of the Act have been satisfied. The Council is in all the circumstances expedient to make this Order for the purposes of reducing anti-social behaviour in the restricted areas. The Council makes the Order because anti-social behaviour in the restricted areas has had a detrimental effect on the quality of life of those in the locality. The effect or likely effect of this is of a persistent or continuing nature such as to make it unreasonable, and justifies the restrictions imposed in this Order.

6. Offences

- (i) It is an offence for any person, without reasonable excuse, to engage in any activity which is prohibited by this Order.
- (ii) A person commits an offence if they fail to give their name and address when required to do so by Police Constable, Authorised Officer of the Council, or any authorised person, or gives a false or inaccurate name or address when an Authorised Officer of the Council proposes to give a person a Fixed Penalty Notice for engaging in any activity which is prohibited by this Order.
- (iii) Any person who is found to be in breach of paragraph 3a of this Order shall be liable on summary conviction to a maximum penalty of Level 2 on the Standard Scale, or if in receipt of a Fixed Penalty Notice, to a financial penalty of up to £100.00.
- (iv) Any person who is found to be in breach of paragraphs 3b - 3e of this Order shall be liable on summary conviction to a maximum penalty of Level 3 on the Standard Scale, or if in receipt of a Fixed Penalty Notice, to a financial penalty of up to £100.00.
- (v) Payment of a Fixed Penalty Notice within the prescribed time period as specified in the Notice will discharge any liability to conviction for the offence.

7. Revocation

This order hereby revokes the Cannock Chase District Council Public Spaces Protection Order made on 20 January 2022.

DATED this day of 20

The Common Seal of the
CANNOCK CHASE DISTRICT COUNCIL
was hereunto affixed in the presence of:-

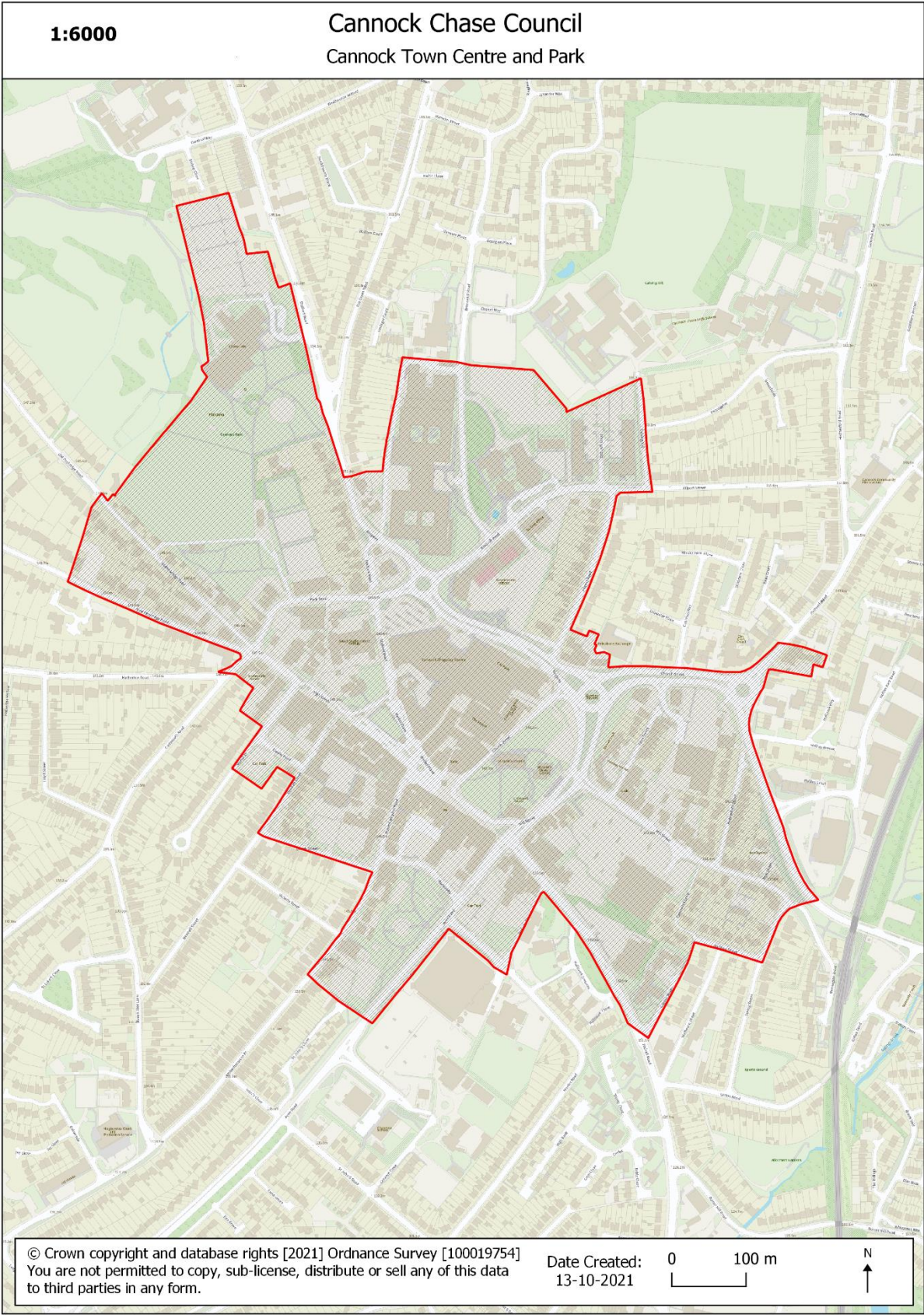
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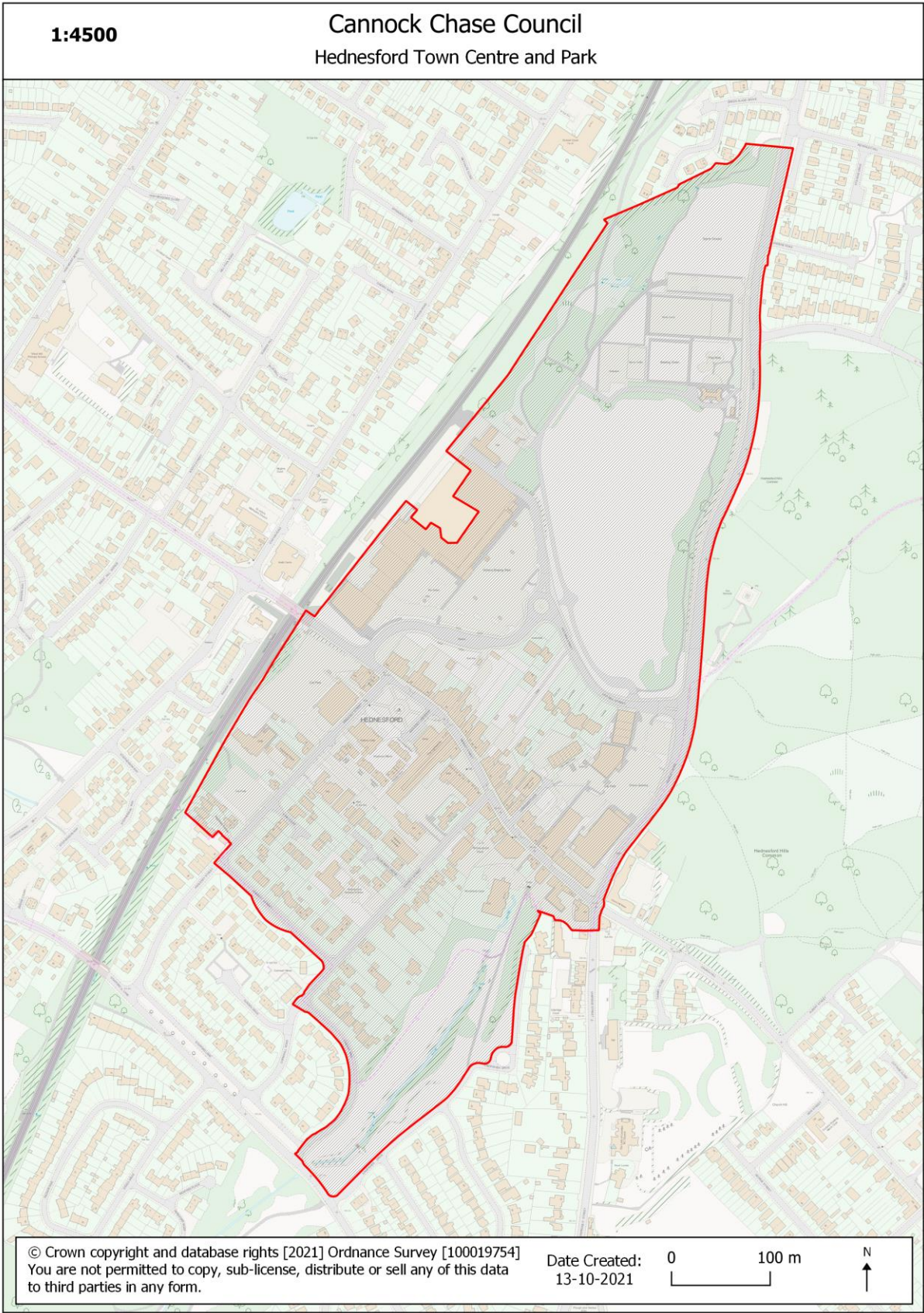
SCHEDULE OF THE RESTRICTED AREAS

Location	Nature of Prohibition/Requirement	Map Number/Ref
The whole District of Cannock Chase (any place to which the public have access)	Vehicle Prohibitions (see Paragraph 3b of this Order)	N/A
Cannock Town Centre and Park	<p>Alcohol Prohibition (see Paragraph 3a of this Order)</p> <p>Urination/defecation/hypodermic needles Prohibition (see Paragraph 3d of this Order)</p> <p>Abandoned items Prohibition (see Paragraph 3e of this Order)</p> <p>Unauthorised access onto properties/buildings Prohibition (see paragraph 3f of this Order)</p> <p>Loitering (see Paragraph 3g of this Order)</p>	Appendix 1
Hednesford Town Centre and Park	<p>Alcohol Prohibition (see Paragraph 3a of this Order)</p> <p>Urination/defecation/hypodermic needles Prohibition (see Paragraph 3d of this Order)</p> <p>Abandoned items Prohibition (see Paragraph 3e of this Order)</p> <p>Loitering (see Paragraph 3g of this Order)</p>	Appendix 2

Rugeley Town Centre	<p>Alcohol Prohibition (see Paragraph 3a of this Order)</p> <p>Urination/defecation/hypodermic needles Prohibition (see Paragraph 3d of this Order)</p> <p>Abandoned items Prohibition (see Paragraph 3e of this Order)</p> <p>Unauthorised access onto properties/buildings Prohibition (see paragraph 3f of this Order)</p> <p>Loitering (see Paragraph 3g of this Order)</p>	Appendix 3
Rugeley – Fernwood Area	<p>Alcohol Prohibition (see Paragraph 3a of this Order)</p> <p>Unauthorised access onto properties/buildings Prohibition (see paragraph 3f of this Order)</p> <p>Loitering (see Paragraph 3g of this Order)</p>	Appendix 4
Ravenhill Park, Brereton	<p>Alcohol Prohibition (see Paragraph 3a of this Order)</p> <p>Loitering (see Paragraph 3g of this Order)</p>	Appendix 5

Appendix 1

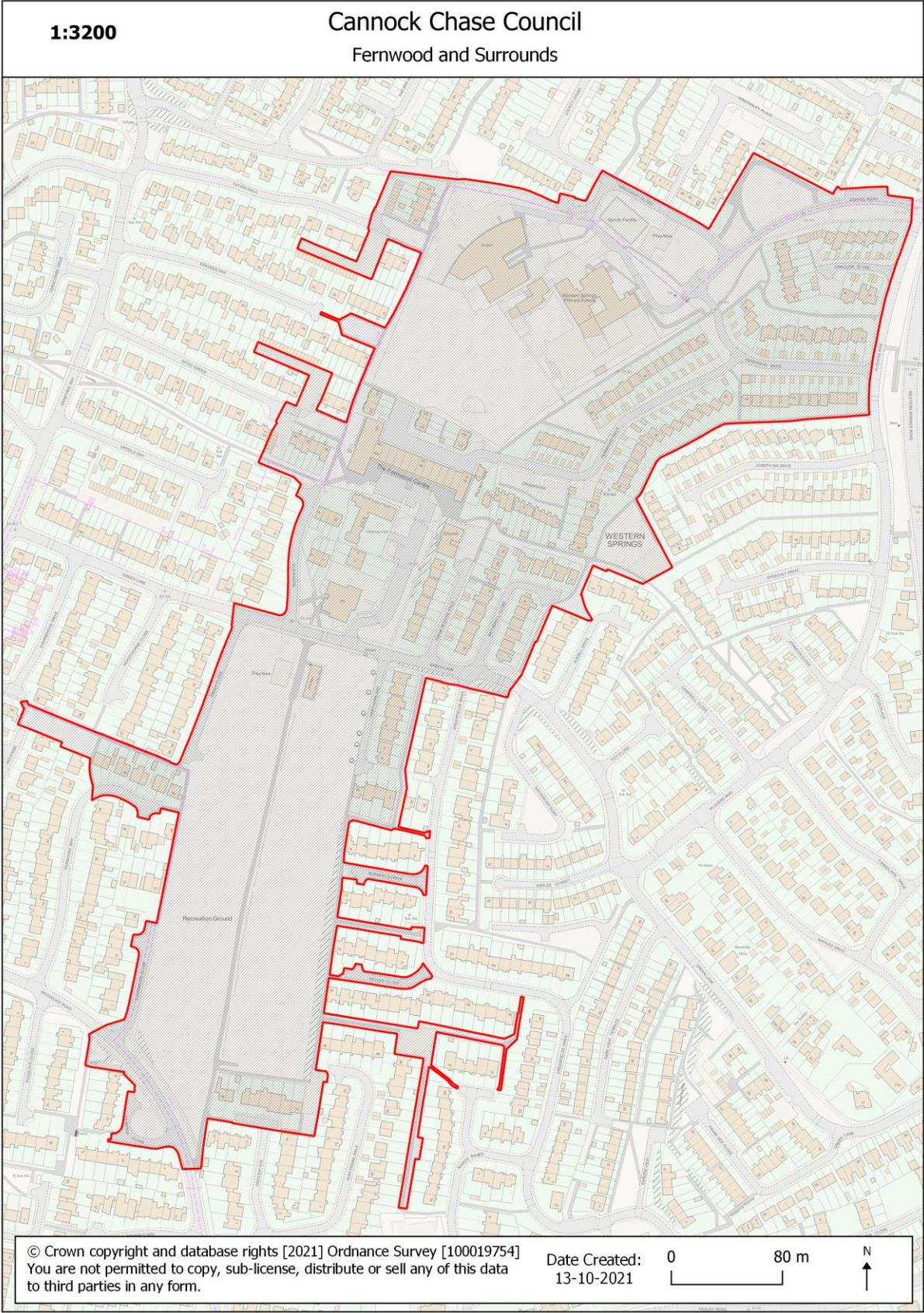




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