



Nomansland Documents

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Area B3- Nomansland (Redlynch and Landford)

Letters and other documents

No.	From	Date
1	Extract from e-mail from Cllr Randall 5 May 2013	5/5/13
2	Extract from e-mail from Cllr Randall 25 July 2014	25/7/14
3	Notes of fact finding meeting Nomansland 19 November 2014	19/11/14
4	Letter and map from hamptworth estate	3/11/2015

Summary of e-mails received

No.	From	Date	For / Against
1	Cllr L Randall	22/1/14	Link between Hamptworth and Nomansland
2	Mr D Anderson	1/9/15	Will supply alternative map for Hamptworth estate. Subsequently received in hard copy

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From: Randall, Leo
Sent: 05 May 2013 14:53
To: Watling, John
Subject: Nomansland

Dear John,

You will recall the discussions we had last year regarding the village of Nomansland. It is currently a Ward of Redlynch Parish Council and it is suggested that instead it be a ward of Landford Parish Council. There are a number of reasons why this change should be considered, and in no particular order here are some of these:

There were two schools, but now Landford and Nomansland schools have merged to become a single school on two sites, one in each village.

There are a range of clubs and societies that cover both villages, such as the Landford and Nomansland WI and the Nomansland and Landford football club.

From Nomansland it is about 5 miles to the start of the houses in the rest of the Parish and the route is indirect, this means that it is remote from the main part of the Parish and Councillors from each Ward do not know each other's Ward.

Nomansland is physically joined to Landford and so many residents already consider it to be a single community.

Many of the services are shared such as the single shop and single post office that serves both communities. Also Nomansland only has a reading room, so Nomansland residents use Landford village hall for social, sporting and recreational purposes.

I have had a joint meeting with the Chairs and deputies of Redlynch and Landford Parish Councils to discuss the possibility of this move and all could see the sense in the move.

Currently Redlynch PC has 15 members, 12 from Redlynch and 3 from Nomansland, Landford has 7. If the change were to happen then Redlynch would have 12 members and Landford would have 10, this gives 2 good sized Councils in my view.

It is proving impossible to attract Parish Council members for the Nomansland ward on Redlynch Council. I am told that this is because the current Parish Council is seen as remote and not relevant to their village. There are 3 seats and only 1 candidate stood for election again this year. This councillor has retired once from the Parish Council and only stands now because when he retired then there was no representation on the Parish Council. A person has just offered himself for cooption onto the Nomansland ward, he is however already a member of Landford Parish Council and is standing only because he is concerned about the lack of representation.

The possibility of linking the two communities democratically as well as physically is not a new suggestion, in fact it has been discussed for very many years. The first reference that I can find that proposes such a union is from the Bishop of Salisbury in 1655. I think it has been talked about for long enough now and we really should get on with it. I included the proposal that this should happen in my election leaflet and this was delivered to every property in the village, I have had no adverse comment to the suggestion from Nomansland or anywhere else.

Please will you inform me if there is anything I should do to begin the process, or anything else I can do to progress the matter so we can get a decision at the earliest date.

Very best wishes,

Leo.

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Dear John,

A working group of Parish Councillors met on the 23rd July to discuss the proposed consultation in relation to the boundary change that would move the village of Nomansland from Redlynch Parish to Landford Parish. There were 2 members from Landford and 4 from Redlynch, that is - 2 from Nomansland, 1 from Hamptworth and 1 from outside the affected area.

The group discussed in detail the proposed boundaries. It must be stressed that it was the unanimous view of the group that there should be 2 concurrent consultations and 2 boundaries to consider, one for each of Nomansland and Hamptworth. This supports the views of the previous joint Parish Council working groups. It would have to be made clear that Hamptworth could only move into Landford if Nomansland was also moved because Nomansland is only attached to Redlynch via Hamptworth. As well as providing boundaries for the villages, a couple of minor historic errors have been addressed, such as one property that is within Hamptworth but is included on Landford's electoral register.

Note that historically, the large majority of Nomansland was part of the old parish of Hamptworth, but Nomansland has grown and is now a larger, somewhat separate community.

The map of the proposed routes is in the process of production, and will be sent to you as soon as it is complete, in the next couple of days I hope. We considered many factors when deciding on the boundaries and all agreed that the final routes were logical and clear on the ground.

The Nomansland boundary.

The Lyburn Estate, that is Lyburn House along with the land associated with the house, is included within the proposed Nomansland boundary. The house is clearly within Nomansland so it would seem inappropriate for the land to be in a different parish. The proposed boundary therefore runs in part along the boundary between Lyburn Estate and the Hamptworth Estate. The other end of the boundary picks up those properties at Smallbrook that are close to Landford and are often assumed to be in Landford, and follows a footpath the the existing Landford boundary. The middle section runs along a fairly straight watercourse.

The Hamptworth boundary.

The hamlet of Hamptworth is closely associated with The Hamptworth Estate, and we agreed that it would be inappropriate for the hamlet to be split off from the estate. As the Estate is in the process of being sold it has been convenient to use the sale details as a guide to the proposed Hamptworth boundary. For nearly all of the route the group used rights of way as the boundary, indeed the land being sold is mainly bounded by footpaths or bridleways which simplified the task. The exception is the small section at the north end from the Hamptworth Road to the current Landford boundary, in this case it is proposed that the boundary follow the stream.

Consultation.

Members of the working group discussed the consultation arrangements and a number of points were made and questions asked.

- The Councillors from both Councils agreed to distribute the consultation literature to all dwellings affected.

- It was agreed that the intention of the Parish Councils was to inform and get views, not to persuade.
- They presumed that Wiltshire Council would produce the consultation document and print it.
- There was a preference that these should be in named and addressed envelopes for distribution.
- Councillors hoped that it would be possible to respond to the consultation via email or through a website as well as by more traditional means as this would probably improve the response numbers.
- Would it be possible for Wiltshire Council to produce an article for the parish magazines to advertise the consultation. The Parish Councils would ensure that this was published?
- Would it be acceptable for signs to be erected in the village saying "have you voted" (or other wording that Wiltshire Council finds acceptable), to encourage residents to respond to the consultation?

It is difficult to produce a rationale for the scheme without it sounding like I am advocating the change. From a personal perspective it makes little difference to me as both parishes are in my Division, but I would have thought that for the residents concerned it would be of advantage to have a local rather than remote Parish Council. A Parish Council that debates matters that related to them and their services rather than those of communities some miles away. Certainly I believe that residents deserve to be given the opportunity to have their view heard on this matter, and for an informed decision to be made. Both I and Parish Councillors have been approached by residents of Nomansland and Hamptworth asking for this change, some wonder how we ever got into this strange situation where we have effectively a single moderately sized community split in two with the smaller half being joined to a large Parish Council 5 miles away. As I mentioned before, it was the Bishop of Salisbury who first suggested that Hamptworth should be annexed to Landford Parish, this was in 1650 , I think it is time that we had a decision.

I hope that gives you all you need, please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Regards,

Leo.

WORKING GROUP ON PARISH & COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEWS

NOTES OF THE WORKING GROUP ON PARISH & COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEWS MEETING HELD ON 19 NOVEMBER 2014 AT ALAMEIN SUITE - CITY HALL, MALTHOUSE LANE, SALISBURY, SP2 7TU.

Present:

Cllr Ernie Clark, Cllr Ian McLennan, Cllr Ian West and Cllr Stuart Wheeler

Also Present:

Cllr Leo Randall
Landford Town Council
Redlynch Town Council

Ian Gibbons – Associate Director Legal & Governance
John Watling – Head of Electoral Service
Paul Taylor – Senior Solicitor
Jessica Croman - Democratic Services Officer

34 **Welcome & Introductions**

The Chairman, Councillor Stuart Wheeler welcomed everyone to the meeting. Members of the Working Group introduced themselves to those in attendance.

35 **Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of Interest.

36 **Purpose and Procedures of the meeting**

The Chairman explained that the purpose of the meeting was to meet and hear from those affected by the proposed boundary changes.

37 **Parish Proposals (10 minutes each)**

Wiltshire Councillor for Redlynch and Landford, Councillor Leo Randall gave a summary of the proposals.

- Landford was historically a part of Hamptworth parish.
- Nomansland and Landford were effectively one community, which shared local facilities, including the school, post office and shop.
- Following discussions with Landford and Redlynch parish councils, Hamptworth had asked that if Nomansland was to join Landford, then could they join also.
- Therefore as well as moving the boundary for Nomansland, if the people in Hamptworth wished to move, then it would also be moved within the boundary.
- There were six remote houses along the county boundary, which currently had not yet been included in the proposals. It was unknown whether they would want to join Nomansland in the boundary move to Landford or not.

38 **Parish Responses**

Chairman of Landford Parish Council, John Martin endorsed the proposals as detailed by Cllr Randall, adding that both communities had grown to the point where there was no distinction between the two.

It was felt that the current boundary was not particularly helpful, part of it ran along Pear Tree Drive, which meant that neighbours on opposite sides of the road were in different parishes.

Landford Parish Council was very much in support of the proposed changes to move Nomansland and most of Hamptworth, including the estate, into the boundary of Landford.

Redlynch Parish Councillor Bill Dunn explained that the parish and village of Nomansland had been expanding over the years, schools had merged and a natural alliance had been formed.

The current boundary was indistinguishable to the point that it ran through one residents house. The Parish felt that the proposed new boundary as detailed by Cllr Randall, seemed to be a good settlement.

There were no questions.

39 **Consultation**

The Chairman explained that as both parishes were in agreement, the next step would be to consider the best approach for consultation.

Following discussion the Group decided the following:

- Cllr Leo Randall would send a copy of the map with the proposed new boundary for Nomansland, Landford and parts of Hamptworth, to the Officer/Working Group.
- One letter and map would be produced for circulation to all residents in Nomansland detailing the proposals for change to the boundary, asking whether they agree or disagree and an opportunity to submit comments.
- A second letter and map would be sent to the residents in Hamptworth, informing them of the proposals to move Nomansland in to the Landford boundary, and asking them whether or not they wished to join them in the move.
- The six houses at the bottom of the county, along the boundary, would be identified and contacted to ask the residents whether they wished to join Nomansland in the boundary move to Landford.
- Letters would be distributed by members of the parish councils. A list of addresses would be provided by the Elections team.
- Based on the responses received back, if there was a clear positive response, there would be no further public meeting required. The proposals would be sent with recommendation for approval to Cabinet.

40 **Any other relevant business**

41 **Close**

(Duration of meeting: Times Not Specified)

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3rd November 2015

From Mr Watling,

COMMUNITY GOVERNMENTS REVIEW – HAMPTWORTH & NOMANSLAND

Many thanks for your letter and the enclosed maps and following our telephone conversation of 10 days ago I would like to suggest that the new boundary for the Redlynch and Landford Parishes should be as coloured red on the enclosed copy of your map.

For ease of clarification I have also enclosed a copy of the Hamptworth Estate map with this proposed boundary marked.

The reason for this suggestion is in fact very simple. Both Nomansland and Hamptworth Villages are very much closer to Landford in both location and for example for using shops, garages and other public facilities. The bulk of the Hamptworth Estate to the west of Hamptworth village is virtually all woodland with a little bit of farmland and as the owner of the property I believe it would be easier for all land management reasons but particularly in relation to public rights of way for the whole of my property to be included in the Parish of Landford and that is why I have marked the enclosed maps accordingly. I am sure you will understand that this will give a much easier management scene for both the parishes in all their respects as well as easing my personal situation.

The map which you sent me suggesting the expansion of the Landford Parish to the west does include a good deal of my property which I much appreciate for the above mentioned reasons but I hope you will feel that my suggestion with regard to this new boundary between Redlynch and Landford should lie as I have suggested to make life easier for all of us.

I am very happy to make an arrangement to come to Trowbridge to discuss this with you if you think this will be helpful and/or if you would wish to visit to have a look for yourself on the ground and I would be only too happy to make an appropriate arrangement with you.

I hope this is all helpful and I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

*Yours Sincerely,
N.D. Anderson*

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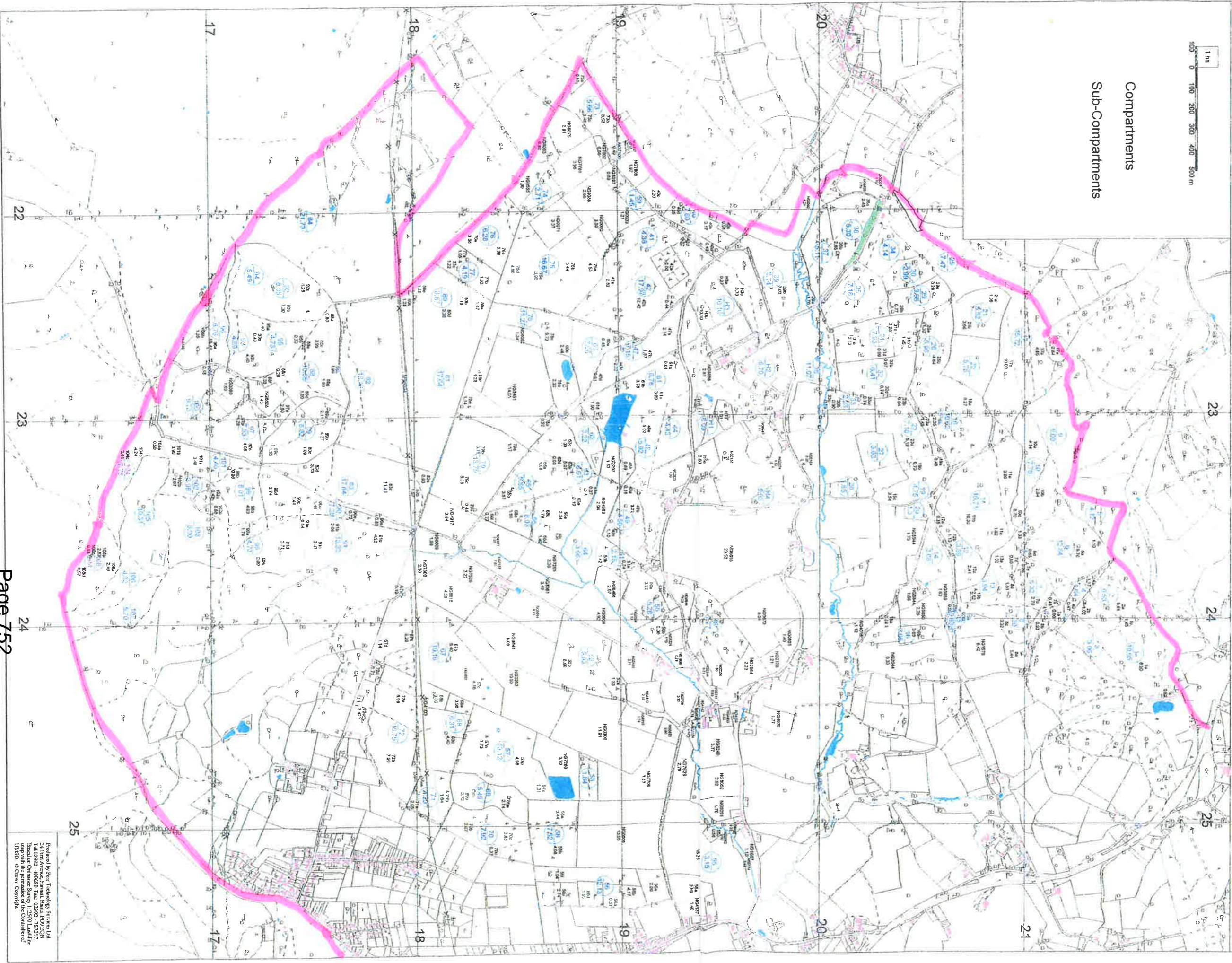
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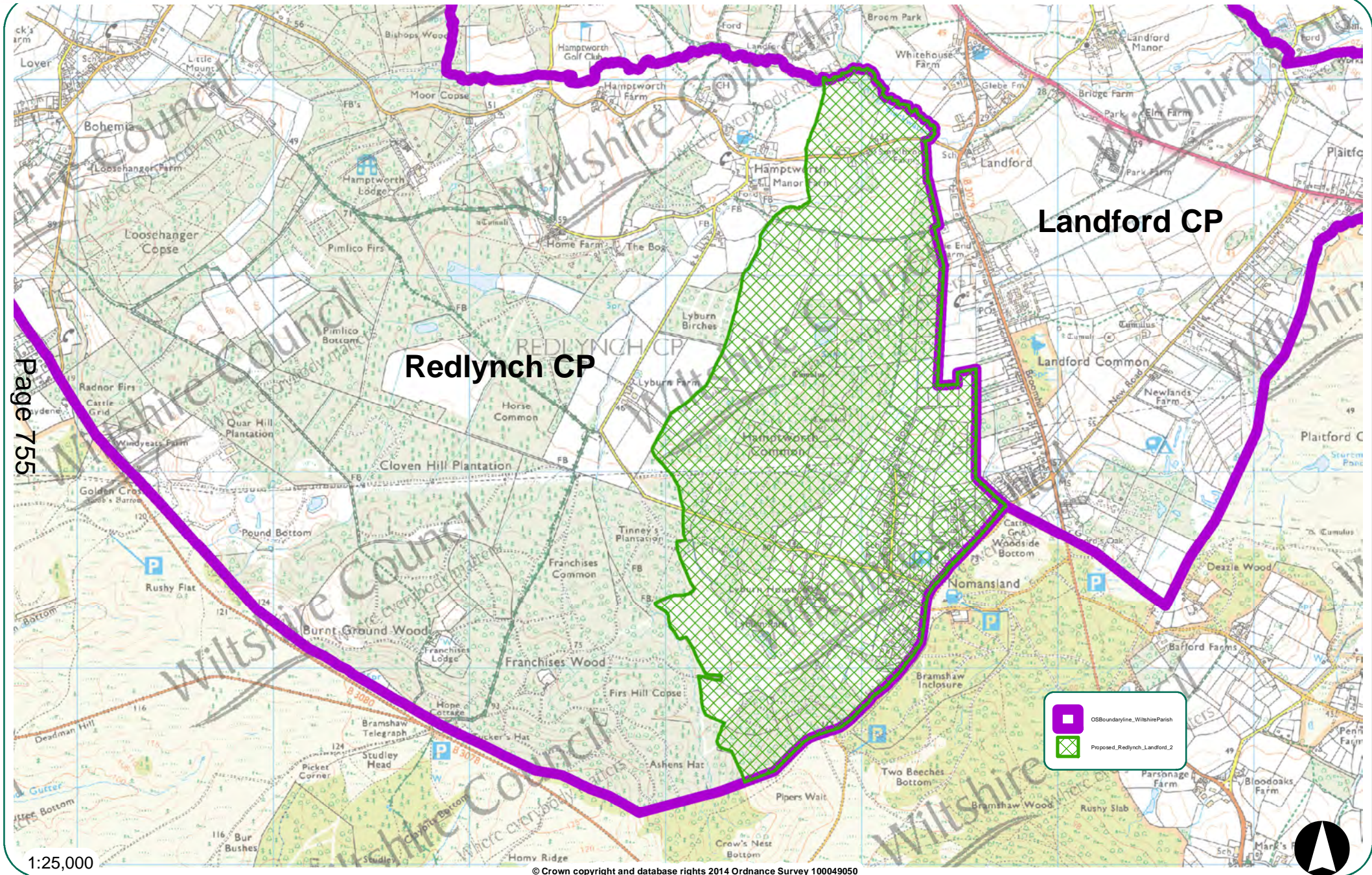
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Mapping

- Map: Area B3 – Redlynch and Landford Map 1 - Properties within Nomansland Proposal Only
- Map: Area B3 – Redlynch and Landford Map 2 - Properties within Hamptworth
- Scheme 54 Redlynch and Landford Hamptworth Estate
- Scheme 54 Redlynch and Landford with National Park area

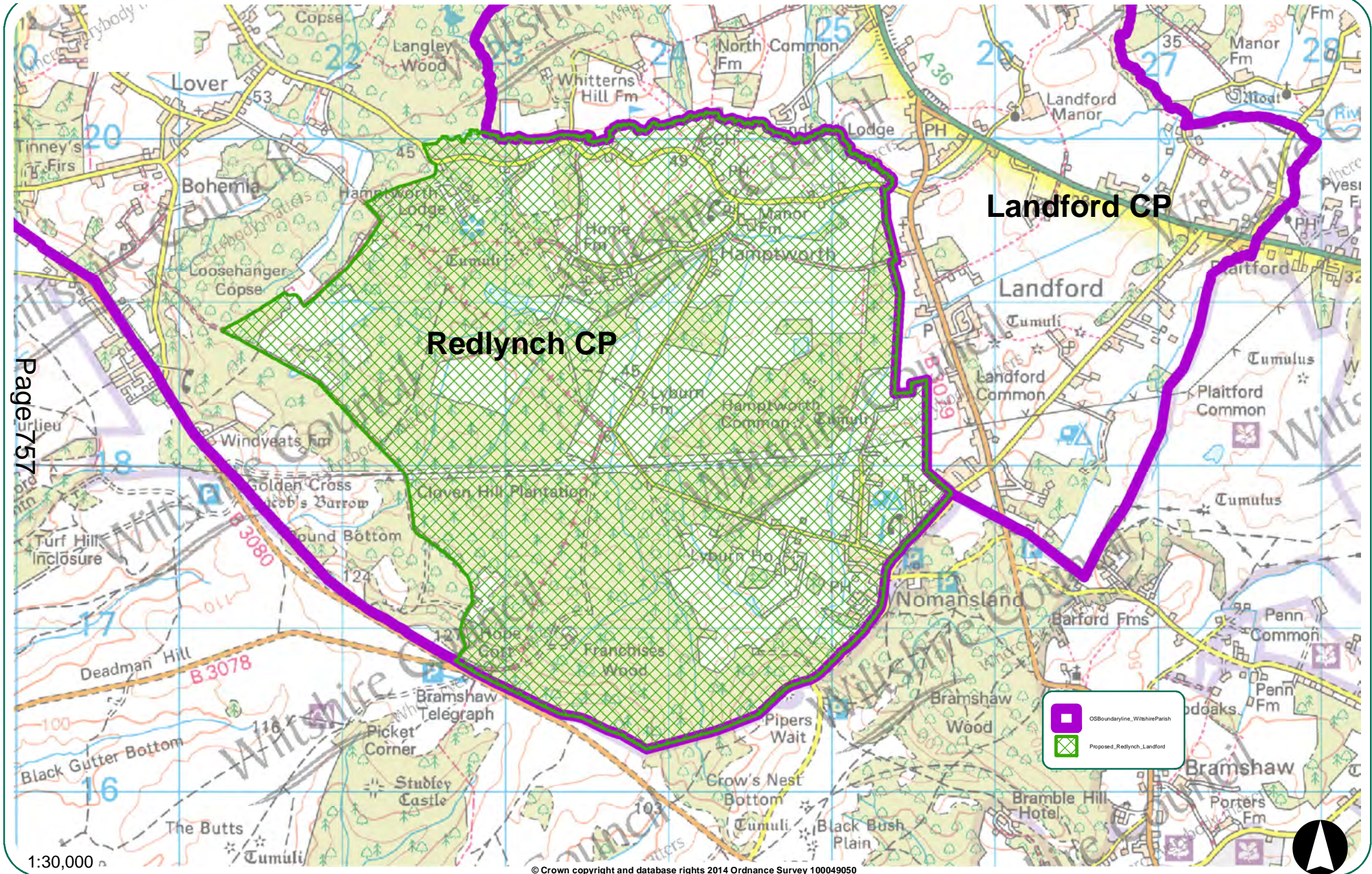
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Area B3 - Redlynch and Landford Map 1
Nomansland



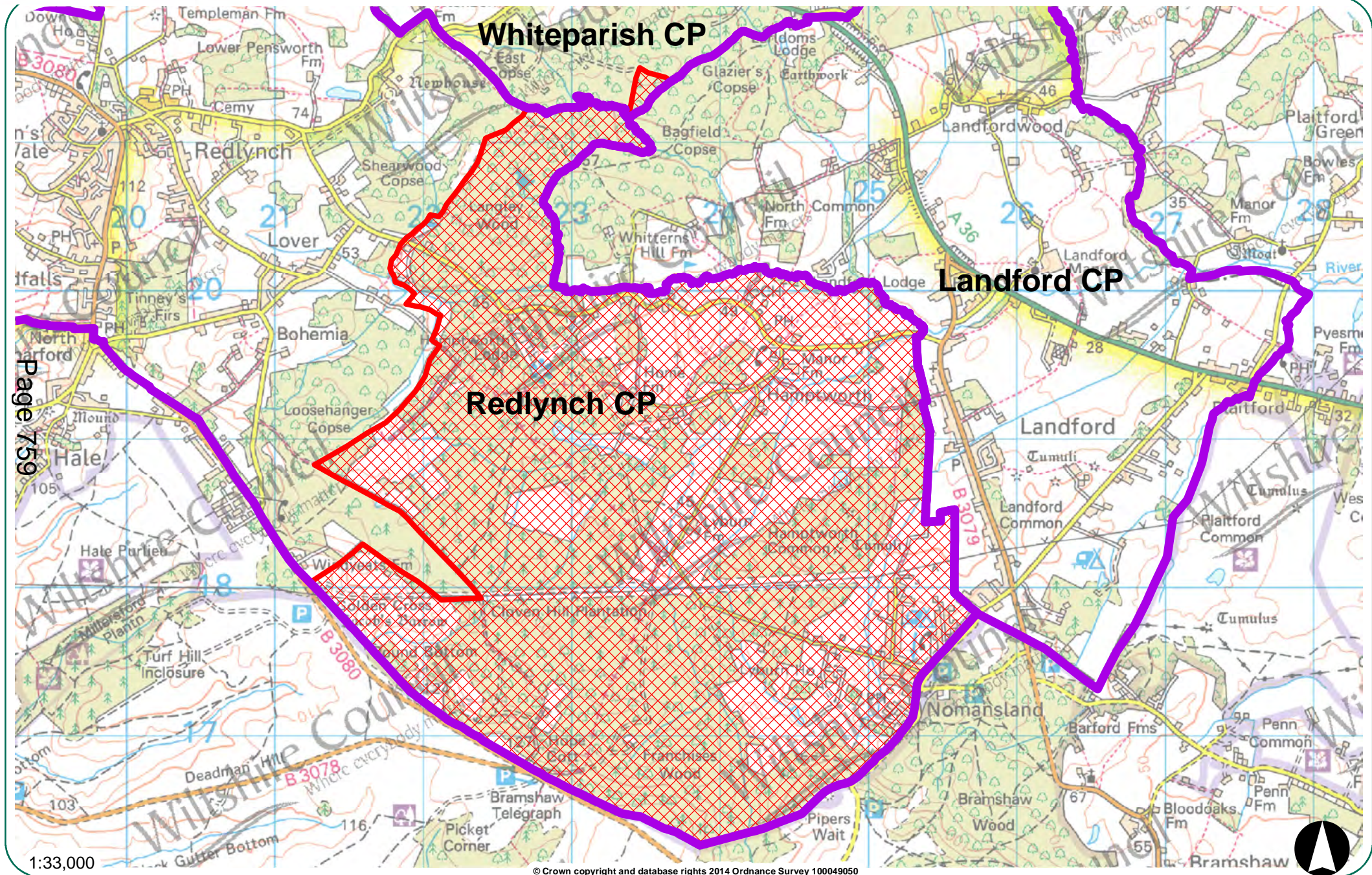
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Hamptworth and Nomansland



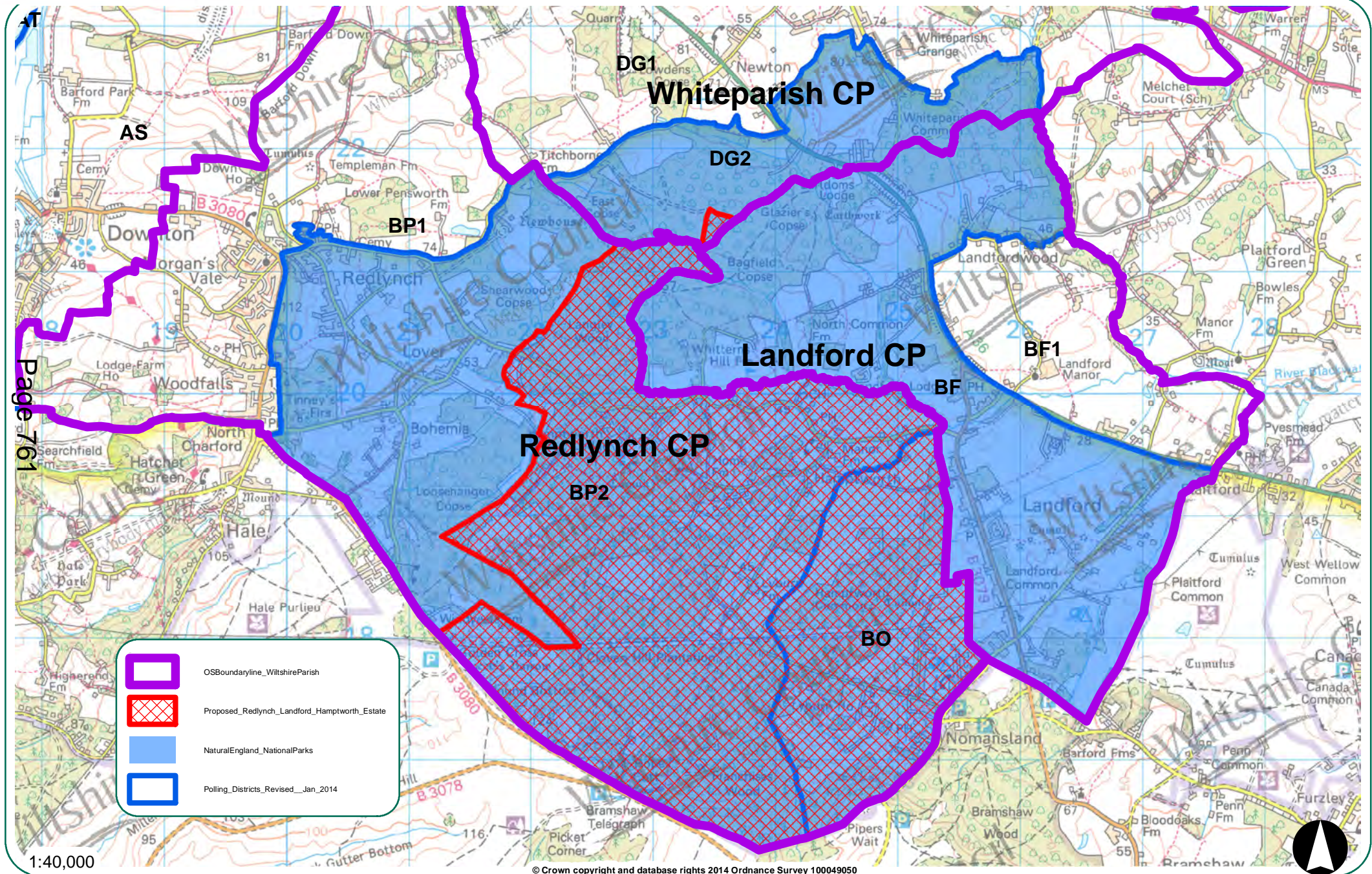
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Hamptworth Estate



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