

Chairman's introduction

The purpose of our Neighbourhood Development Plan (CNDP) is to establish planning policies from 2022 to 2037 that will be used in deciding the future of Chiseldon Parish, which includes the village of Chiseldon and the hamlets of Badbury, Burderop Park, Hodson and Draycot Foliat. In addition, the NDP contains evidence about matters that are sometimes difficult to address through the planning system, such as sustainable transport and nature improvement that the Parish Council can progress through additional measures such as engagement with the Highways Authority and the Borough Ecologists.

Once approved, the plan will have significant authority and become part of Swindon Borough Council's Statutory Development Plan, though it must not contradict, or have policies at odds with that plan. This has constrained our flexibility but should result in a plan with significant legal standing, thus, shaping the future development of the parish.

Its main purpose is to define the policies needed to support:

- what amenities are needed;
- how the population will change over the years;
- standards and types of housing needed;
- where and how the area should grow to support those changes.

All the conclusions reached have been based on robust evidence and feedback received from the community and consultation with local groups and professional bodies.

Our vision is to safeguard the unique character of this ancient community, to protect the beautiful landscape that surrounds us and to ensure sustainable development that meets the needs of residents at different stages in their lives, now and for the future. On the basis of this vision, and feedback received at the outset, we have prepared aims and objectives which will be published in this document and on our website.

For the plan to succeed it is necessary to acknowledge that the Parish cannot remain unchanged for the next 20 years, and the NDP therefore needs to create a roadmap and guides that are compatible with the Swindon Borough and national planning policies, but reflect what is unique and precious to us in this area.

The residents said that the best things about Chiseldon are:

- The sense of community and friendliness of the people;
- The local facilities, shops, schools, etc.;
- Its rural nature with surrounding countryside;
- Its history;
- Its location within the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, because most of the parish is covered by the North Wessex Downs National Landscape;
- The accessibility of and proximity to Swindon and Marlborough.

Residents said that improvements are needed as well:

- Enabling residents to stay within the village as their housing needs change;
- The traffic congestion should be better managed;
- The state of the pavements and roads should be improved and made safer.

We appreciate all the feedback received from residents who have contributed with thoughts and ideas and thank them for their support.

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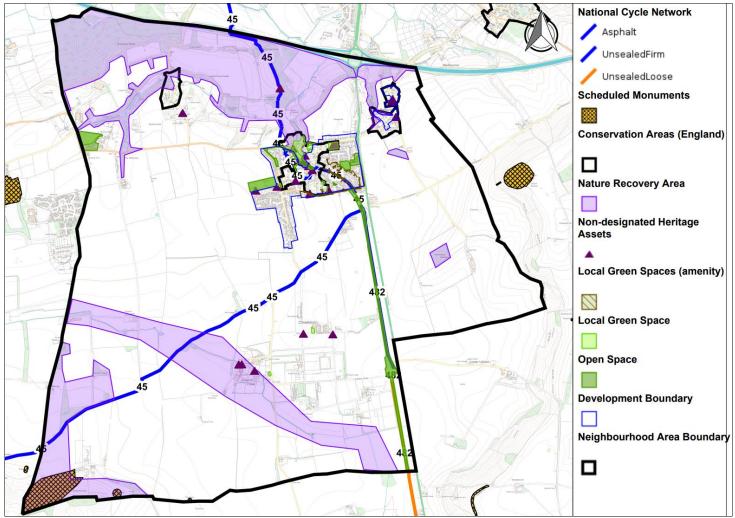


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Figure 1: CNDP policies map



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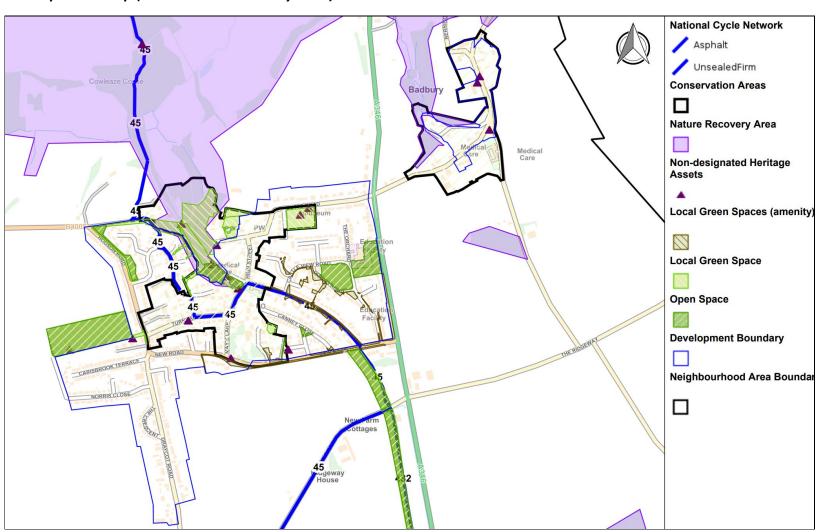


Figure 2: CNDP policies map (Chiseldon and Badbury inset)

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CHAPTER 1

How the NDP is organised

2. The CNDP is set out in three parts that are available on the Chiseldon Parish Council website or on the Swindon Borough Council website:

The Chiseldon Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan

The neighbourhood plan (CNDP) including its appendixes is this document which should be referred to in the preparation of planning proposals and in decisions for development within Chiseldon Parish.

Supporting documents

There are supporting documents that should also be referred to in the preparation of planning proposals and in decisions.

- Chiseldon Design Codes and Guidance
- Housing Needs Assessment
- Chiseldon Conservation Area Appraisals (prepared by Swindon Borough Council)
 - o Chiseldon
 - Badbury
 - o Hodson

Supporting evidence for submission

Supporting evidence that has been prepared to accompany the neighbourhood plan from submission to Swindon Borough Council to referendum:

- Statement from Swindon Borough Council that SEA and HRA are not required for this plan
- Basic Conditions Statement (as part of Regulation 15)
- Consultation Statement (as part of Regulation 15)

Acknowledgements

4. The Parish Council wishes to thank all the members of the Steering Group for giving up their time to manage this project; the Chiseldon Local History Group for providing information and photographs; Sheila Passmore for providing historical local information; Dr Andrea Pellegram MRTPI (our consultant) for her work and guidance; local shops and pubs for agreeing to collect questionnaires and anyone else who has helped with the formation of the plan.

The role of the neighbourhood plans

- 5. Neighbourhood Development Plans (NDPs) were introduced by the Localism Act 2011 and enacted in the Neighbourhood Plan Regulations 2012. NDPs are prepared by parish councils for a designated area in this case, Chiseldon Parish Council prepared this NDP for Chiseldon Parish (CNDP). Once the NDP is "made", i.e. has been adopted, it is part of the planning decision-making framework for Chiseldon Parish and becomes part of the Swindon development plan. This means that when the CNDP successfully passes its referendum with a majority vote in favour of adopting it, every planning application and decision that is submitted and considered in the parish must pay regard to its policies.
- 6. Neighbourhood plan policies cover both land use and "development" which is defined in legislation as the carrying out of building, engineering, mining or other operations in, on, over or under land, or the making of any material change in the use of any building or other land including: rebuilding; structural alterations of or additions to buildings; and other operations normally undertaken by a person carrying on business as a builder.
- 7. Neighbourhood plans must meet certain "basic conditions" and other legal requirements before they can come into force. These are tested through the independent examination before the neighbourhood plan may proceed to referendum.¹ Neighbourhood plans must be in general conformity with the strategic policies contained in the development plan that covers their area², in this case the Swindon Borough Local Plan 2026 (adopted March 2015). In the case of Chiseldon Parish, the local plan is out of date for housing allocations, but since none are proposed in the parish, the other strategic policies such as those relating to transport and the North Wessex Downs AONB, remain in force. Neighbourhood plans should not promote less development than set out in the strategic policies of the Swindon Borough Local Plan or undermine those strategic policies.³ The preparation of planning policies should be underpinned by relevant and up-to-date evidence.⁴
- 8. The groundwork for this NDP was begun in 2022 when the community first met to discuss its concerns and aspirations for Chiseldon Parish. At that time, it looked as though the Local Plan review would allocate land in the parish for housing. That local plan review has been restarted and there are no proposals by the planning authority to allocate land for housing. However, this might happen in the current review.
- 9. Throughout the preparation of these policies, the parish council and the community representatives were mindful that housing might be allocated. It was clear that in the past 5 years, housing had been permitted, particularly at Burderop Park. The NDP therefore anticipates that there may be more housing in the future and sets out policies to enable that to happen in the best way possible.
- 10. The planning authority, Swindon Borough Council, prepares the Local Plan which is the highest tier planning policy for the area. This sets out strategic policies that are applicable across the entire Swindon Borough including allocation of major sites for future housing development. The CNDP works within those policies and adds local detail.

¹ National Planning Policy Framework 2023, 37.

² National Planning Policy Framework 2023, footnote 16.

³ National Planning Policy Framework 2023, 29.

⁴ National Planning Policy Framework 2023, 31.

11. Once the NDP has been brought into force, the policies it contains take precedence over existing non-strategic policies in the local plan for Chiseldon Parish⁵.

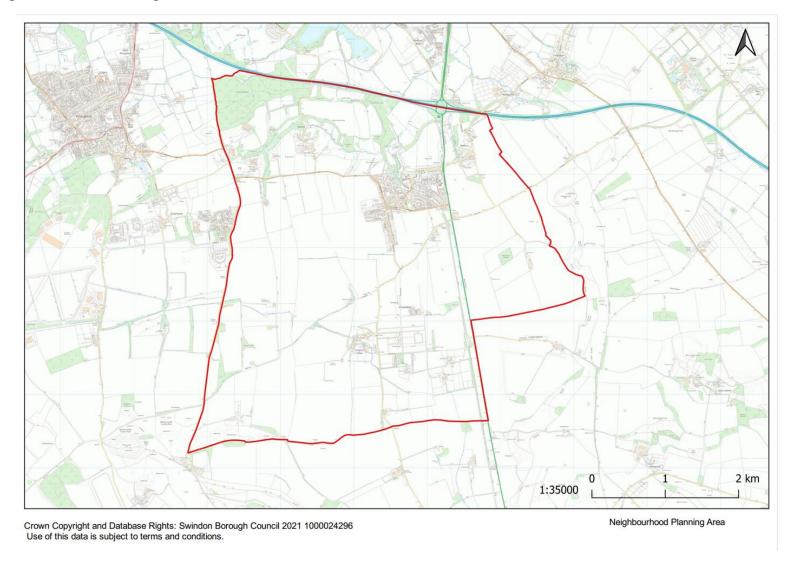
Neighbourhood plan period

Neighbourhood planning area

- 12. Swindon Borough Council in exercise of its power under Section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) made a decision on the 31 January 2022 to designate Chiseldon Neighbourhood Area as a Neighbourhood Area. The application for the designation of the Parish of Chiseldon as a neighbourhood area for the purpose of producing a neighbourhood development plan was received from Chiseldon Parish Council on 11 October 2021. No other parishes or areas are included in the application.
- 13. The area covered by the CNDP is Chiseldon parish and the neighbourhood area is shown in **Figure 3**.
- 14. The Chiseldon Neighbourhood Development Plan covers the period 2022 to 2037. The year 2022 was the start year for data gathering for the NDP and is within the adopted Swindon Local Plan period to 2026. The CNDP covers a 15 year period in accordance with NPPF 2021 para. 22, though the CNDP does not contain strategic policies.
- 15. The CNDP is being prepared against the policy requirements of the adopted Swindon Borough Local Plan 2026. At the time of writing, the Swindon Local Development Scheme anticipates adoptions of a new local plan in 2026 after which time it may be necessary to update the CNDP.

⁵ National Planning Policy Framework 2023, 30.

Figure 3: Chiseldon Neighbourhood Area



CHAPTER 2

Chiseldon Parish

Chiseldon: location and description

16. Chiseldon Parish is located within Swindon Borough in countryside immediately south of the M4 Motorway (**Figure 4**). Junction 15 is located on the northern boundary and the A436 off Junction 15 connects the M4 and Chiseldon with Marlborough in Wiltshire to the south. Figure 4 shows the location of Chiseldon parish within Swindon Borough.

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Figure 4: Location of Chiseldon within Swindon Borough

Source: Swindon Borough Local Plan 2026 interactive map.

- 17. Chiseldon is composed of five main settlements: Chiseldon, Badbury, Hodson, Burderop Park and Draycott Foliat. Each settlement is attractive and compact, and some contain extensive conservation areas. Residents enjoy easy access to beautiful countryside characterised by agriculture, rich hedgerows and wild areas.
- 18. The entire parish is washed over by the North Wessex Downs AONB. Chiseldon is situated in the North Wessex downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty designated as (AONB) and recently classified as a National Landscape. A National Landscape is a nationally important landscape protected by law. As such it has the highest level of protection along with National Parks. The renaming to National Landscapes has strengthen the protection to preserve these areas⁶.

⁶ Implementing the Landscapes Review: summary of responses - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

- 19. Residents can shop locally and there are a range of small shops within the settlements but larger shopping trips are made to Marlborough, Swindon or even Cirencester to the north along the A419 which is also accessible from Junction 15 to the north.
- 20. Most settlements have at least one public house and Chiseldon, as the largest, contains a range of shops, professional and personal services, a petrol station, various pubs and restaurants and two hotels and various venues for meetings. It also has a primary school and a range of out-door play and recreational fields as well as a community- managed natural area called the washpool to reflect the land's previous use for sheep. There is also a national cycle route and a good range of public rights of way.
- 21. **Table 1 and Figure 5** list the existing commercial and community services in Chiseldon. These will be referred to again in the policy section of the CNDP.

Table 1: Commercial and community facilities in Chiseldon Parish

Class Ea – retail

- Spar (High Street)
- Meadow Stores (New Road)
- Three Trees Farm Shop and cafe (Ridgeway)
- Esso Fuel station and forecourt shop, including Subway (New Road/A346)

Class Eb – Sale of food and drink

- Farm shop restaurant
- Chiseldon House Hotel
- Sandstorm Film Studios (private restaurant)

Class Ec – services

- Cameo Hairdressers (High Street)
- Saffron and Rose Beauty Treatments (Turnball)
- Ray Canning Auto Repairs (Draycot Road, Chiseldon)
- Ladysmith Equestrian trainer (Draycot Foliat)
 Class Ed sport and recreation
- Recreation Hall & pavilion (off Norris Close)
- Draycot Foliat Aerodrome & flight centre (Draycot Foliat)

Class Ee – Health services

• Doctors Surgery (Station Road)

Class Eg – office, research and development, industrial

- Butts Business Centre (Butts Road)
- Unicorn Business Centre (Ridgeway Road)
- Bush House business units (Ridgeway/A346)
- Dairy Farm Business Centre (Badbury)
- Chlorella Products (Draycot Foliat)

Class F1 – learning

• Chiseldon Primary School (Castle View Road)

Class F2 – local community

- Museum (Butts Road)
- Chapel office (Butts Road)
- Holy Cross Church (Church Street)
- Holy Cross Church hall (Church Street)
- Memorial Hall (Draycot Road)
- Social Club (Draycot Road)
- Religious building (New Road)

Class C1 and C2 – hotels and residential institutions

- Landmark Hotel (Station Road)
- Chiseldon House Hotel (New Road)
- Seahorses Care Home (Draycot Road)
- Downsview Care Home (Badbury)
- Rehabilitation Centre (Draycot Foliat)

F1 Class Learning and non-residential

• Badbury Shooting School & café (Badbury)

Sui Generis - pubs and other businesses

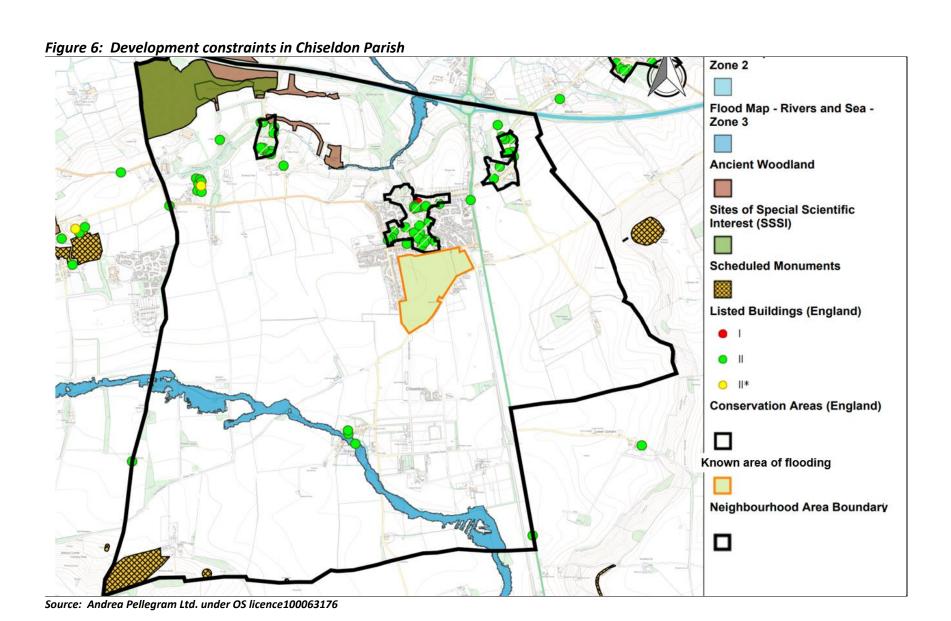
- Patriots' Arms pub (Draycot Road/New Road)
- Plough on the Hill pub (A346 Badbury)
- Bakers Arms pub (Berricot Lane, Badbury)
- Calley Arms pub (Broome Manor Lane, Hodson)
- LGV Test Centre (Ladysmith Road, Draycot Foliat)
- Esso Fuel station and forecourt (New Road/A346)

Development Boundary Class F Sui Generis Class E d-g - other Class E Class Ec - services Class Ea - retail Neighbourhood Area Boundary

Figure 5: Commercial land uses in Chiseldon Parish

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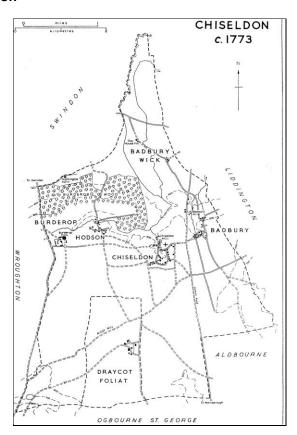
- 22. Figure 6 shows that there are three conservation areas in Chiseldon, a site of special scientific interest (SSSI) at Burderop Wood in the north west corner of the parish, scheduled ancient monuments and rivers in the Parish. The three Conservation Area Management Plans (Chiseldon, Badbury and Hodson) which can be accessed on the Swindon Borough Council website. The Conservation Area maps are replicated as Appendix 1. Some areas are subject to flooding (Flood Zones 2 and 3) though these areas avoid the main settlements (Hodson, Chiseldon and Badbury, leaving only Draycot Foliat at risk of flooding). There is also locally identified flooding which is not shown in the Environment Agency flood data but is known to flood which also shown on the map. Listed buildings are shown in Appendix 2.
- 23. A full set of maps covering all land uses, habitats and other constraints has been prepared by the Wiltshire and Swindon Biological Records Centre, in **Appendix 3**.



Historic development of Chiseldon Parish

- 24. The area around Chiseldon shows evidence of settlement since early prehistoric times. Stone tools have been found, there are the remains of Bronze Age barrows and two Iron Age hillforts are close by. Famously, a large deposit of Iron Age cauldrons was found in 2004 indicating significant activity at that time. At least three Roman buildings have been identified including a very large villa destroyed by the construction of Junction 15 of the M4.
- 25. Ancient trackways, the Ridgeway and the Icknield Way, cross the Parish from east to west, and the A346 follows the Roman Road north to south. New Road was a result of turnpike improvements in the early 19th century. A railway line was constructed in 1881 but survived only until the 1960s leaving little trace except the layout of Station Road and Sustrans cycle path number 45. More recently the M4 Motorway crossed from east to west.
- 26. Chiseldon is one of the few places in England where it is possible to gain an impression of a wider Iron Age landscape with views to the Ridgeway and Liddington and Barbury hillforts.
- 27. 'Chiseldon and its church' is first mentioned in the 9th century will of King Alfred's father, Aethelwulf, indicating there was already a settlement here. It was bequeathed to the Abbot of Winchester and became a Monastic Possession. The original boundaries are almost certainly Saxon, and its long narrow outline (**Figure 7**) gave the parish a mix of land types, pasture and arable, as well as woodland.

Figure 7: 1773 Chiseldon



Source: Victoria County History, Institute of Historical Research (history.ac.uk)

- 28. Both Chiseldon and Badbury remained monastic agricultural estates until the reformation in 1540. They continued virtually unchanged under private ownership until the early 20th century. The oldest cottages in the villages date from the 14th century but most of the listed buildings are from the 17th and 18th centuries.
- 29. The railway through the village provided easy access to Swindon which was fast developing as a railway town following Brunel's siting of the Great Western Railway works there in the 1840s.
- 30. W E M Brown, a Chiseldon Landowner and entrepreneur, invested heavily in the Midland and Southwestern Junction Railway but was obliged to sell his land in Chiseldon in 1901. This enabled the first new 'commuter' houses to be bult in the village in New Road and Butts Road. The circled area in **Figure 8** shows the area of growth following the opening of the railway.

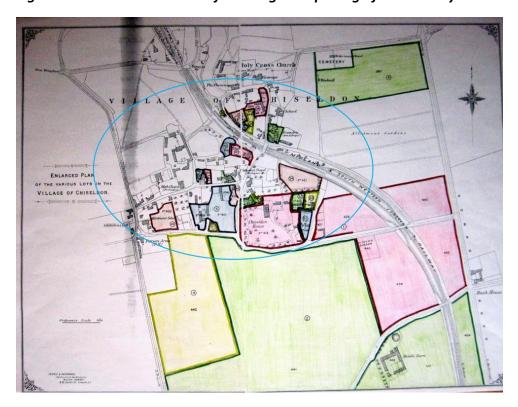


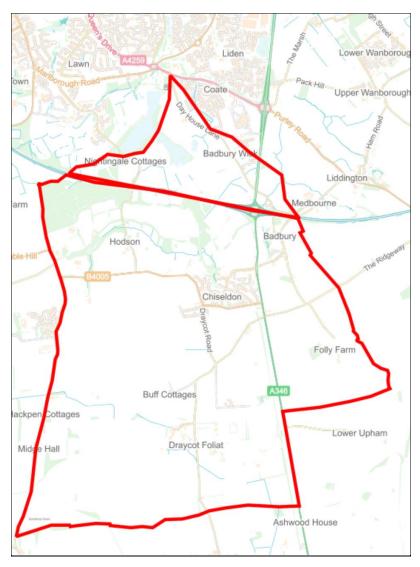
Figure 8: Growth in Chiseldon following the opening of the railway in the 1840s.

Source: Wiltshire History Centre.

- 31. A large army camp was constructed just south of the village in Draycot Foliat at the outbreak of the first World War. In continuous use until the 1960s, almost all traces of it has gone, except the road layout and a small development of post second World War Ministry of Defence houses now known as Ridgeway View.
- 32. The next phase of development, between the wars, saw houses and bungalows built along Hodson Road and Draycot Road and the first council houses in the Crescent, Station Road and School Close. After the second World War, development accelerated, mirroring the development of Swindon as an overspill town

- for Londoners. In the 1950s and 1960s, Norris Close, Canney Close and the Castle View area round the school were all built and in the 1970s the railway cutting in Station Road was filled in and more houses erected. Home Close was constructed in the 1980s.
- 33. Swindon's expansion led to a re-drawing of boundaries and in 1974 Chiseldon became part of the new Borough of Thamesdown instead of Highworth Rural District Council. The northern 'finger' of the Parish was built over (now Eldene and Dorcan) and the A4259 from Common Head to Coate Water became the northern boundary of the Parish. The previous area (north) and existing parish (south) are shown in **Figure 9**.

Figure 9: Chiseldon Parish in the 1980s (northern section was previously part of the parish)



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34. In 2016, Swindon Borough Council, (Thamesdown's successor) proposed and implemented major changes to Parishes throughout the Borough. Badbury Park had recently been built, and together with Coate and Badbury Wick, became part of the new South Swindon Parish. Chiseldon's northern boundary is now the M4. Built in the 1970s, the M4 is a major link between London and the west country and further accelerated Swindon's growth.

Community baseline/statistics

- 35. The statistics show that in the 2011 Census the neighbourhood area had a total of 2,667 residents, formed into 1,066 households and occupying 1,099 dwellings. This had dropped by the 2021 census.
- 36. Chiseldon had a population of 2,500 in 2021 according to the census living in 1,000 households. The age profile shows that there are fewer children relative to Swindon's wider population and more older people. Household size is dominated by two person households (40%), followed by 1 person households (23%), three person households (17%) and 10% households with 4 or more people. Households are mainly single family (72%). Deprivation is low and 88% of these households are not deprived or only deprived on one dimension which is better than for Swindon as a whole. 95% of the population is white.
- 37. Most people (96%) live in a whole house or bungalow. Most houses have 3 or more bedrooms (79%). There is a high level of outright home ownership (43%) or ownership with a mortgage (32%) and only 15% social rented and 11% private rented.
- 38. Most people work from home (42%) and 26% work locally defined as less than 10 km from home. 47% of the people who do not work from home travel to work by car (and 42% do not travel to work). Most people are economically active (55%) but only 3% are unemployed and 42% are economically inactive, presumably choosing not to work because of retirement. This would coincide with the relatively high proportion of older people in the parish.
- 39. Socio-economic status is 17% in higher managerial occupations and another 22% in lower managerial occupations and 33% of the population have Level 4 qualifications or above, and 42% have Level 1,2 or 3 level qualifications. This is a higher percentage of higher qualifications and lower percentage of Level 1-3 qualifications relative to Swindon. Only 15% of the population are students.
- 40. Chiseldon parish is amongst the least deprived areas of England according to the government Index of Multiple Deprivation (2019).

CHAPTER 3

Community vision and planning policy context

Key challenges and development objectives

- 41. Chiseldon Parish has remained remarkably stable over the centuries and the recent push for major development in Swindon town to the north has largely not affected it. This is due to, and also reflected in, the parish's location in the North Wessex Downs AONB, the significant level of heritage protection arising from the conservation area and historic building designations, and the countryside status expressed in Swindon Borough Local Plan's settlement hierarchy in the Sustainable Development Strategy (Policy SD2).
- 42. However, despite these significant planning constraints, there has been significant development in the Parish, mainly in Burderop Park where a major scheme created many new homes, but also on smaller sites across the parish. Planning permissions between 1 April 2019 and 1 April 2024 yielded 26 apartments and 66 dwellings. There were also 5 individual commercial permissions during this period⁷. Therefore, despite the constraints, Chiseldon Parish is somewhat vulnerable to development and it is important that locally refined planning policies are in place.
- 43. Swindon Borough Council is reviewing its local plan. The 2021 Regulation 19 consultations have been paused and the Local Development Framework indicates that a new Regulation 18 consultation, based on a new call for sites, will first be carried out. The leaves the CNDP in an uncertain position with regard to new housing development its geographic size and location, how it meets the need for new housing in the parish, and its basic infrastructure requirements. The planning authority is not able to provide a housing requirement.
- 44. The CNDP has been prepared to anticipate that major housing is likely to occur and to provide policies that will enable this to happen in the best manner possible. The CNDP and its supporting evidence will form the basis for the parish council's negotiations with Swindon Borough council over its plans for new housing provision and with applicants as they design their schemes.
- 45. Additional pressure arises from climate change. The CNDP will not comment on the fabric of buildings and will leave matters of sustainable construction to the review of the local plan. Also, climate change has led to a break down in England's natural environment and the CNDP will specifically address how it can play a part in nature recovery.

The community vision for Chiseldon

- 46. An inception meeting of the Steering Group (mainly the Parish Council at this stage) was held on 22 September 2021, where it was decided to start the neighbourhood plan process with a public meeting in December.
- 47. Accordingly, the Chiseldon House Hotel was booked for the event on 13 December, 2021 from 19.00 to 21.00. Approximately 40 people from the village attended plus

⁷ Supporting evidence for Regulation 15, Chiseldon Parish Neighbourhood Plan 2022 to 2037, Planning History 1 April 2019 to 1 April 2024, Planning permissions granted for new buildings.

- the Parish Council. All participated in the discussion. At the end of the event, residents came forward who expressed an interest in joining the Steering Group.
- 48. A half hour presentation was given to the audience which explained the neighbourhood planning process and discussed emerging Swindon Local Plan policies. An interactive exercise was then undertaken it was to consider Strengths, Weaknesses and Opportunities (there was no time to consider the "threats"). The full report of the session is available to view in Consultation Statement.
- 49. The community expressed their contentment with life in the parish and its rural location. Walking in the countryside was considered to be a great strength as well as the wide range of public amenities. The parish was seen as very accessible to other major cities by good road infrastructure (Swindon, Marlborough, Bristol, Reading and London). There is a good community spirit and new residents are welcomed. The local history of the settlements is valued by the community, particularly the many listed buildings and the conservation areas.
- 50. There are however some weaknesses, derived mainly from transport. The same roads that allow the community to travel to other areas also bring people into the parish and rat-running across the parish is seen as a problem. Also, affordable housing is needed for the younger generation if they are to remain and some local people are being priced out of the housing market.
- 51. The neighbourhood plan is seen as an opportunity to address some weaknesses such as the requirement for a revamped and improved community facility, good design at any new housing allocation, and the need to address play for children of all ages and abilities.
- 52. Taking this into account, the steering group identified a vision for the parish to 2037:

In 2037, Chiseldon will be a place where people want to live, play and relax. It will be a healthy and thriving village with a diversity of age ranges and all facilities will be up to date. Residents will enjoy a healthy environment and new houses will cater to all sectors of the community. There will be local job opportunities and businesses will continue to thrive.

- 53. To work towards this vision, the steering group identified the following policy requirements for the NDP:
 - A **housing mix** policy to help build the right types of homes to meet the needs of current and future residents.
 - A **sustainable transport** policy to allow better access across settlements and to other areas by foot or cycle.
 - Policies on biodiversity and green infrastructure to make the most of the existing beautiful surroundings.
 - Policies which identify Local Green Spaces to protect existing green spaces that are important to local people and/or which add to the pleasant character of the settlements.
 - A **design code** to ensure that future new development adds positively to local character and protection for **non-designated heritage assets**.

• A policy on how **new play equipment** should be provided so that children of all ages can benefit.

Sustainable development

- 54. The NPPF 2023 requires plans to be based upon the presumption in favour of sustainable development⁸ to meet the development need of their area, align growth and infrastructure, improve the environment, and mitigate climate change. Sustainable development is defined as having economic, social and environmental objectives.
- 55. The CNDP has set out policies to meet the requirement for sustainable development and this is illustrated in **Table 2**.

Table 2: How the CNDP applies the presumption in favour of sustainable development

CNDP policy	Economic Objective	Social Objective	Environ-mental Objective
1: Housing Mix			
2: Sustainable Transport			
3: Biodiversity Net Gain and Nature Recovery			
4: Local Green Spaces			
5: Design			
6: Non-designated Heritage Assets			
7: New Play Equipment			
8: Community Facilities			

Policy context

Local Plan policies

- 56. The **Swindon Borough Local Plan 2026** is the main development plan document for the CNDP.
- 57. The entire parish is washed over by the North Wessex Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). Relevant policies are set out in local plan policy EN5 and the North

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⁸ National Planning Policy Framework 2023, paras. 7, 8.

- Wessex Downs AONB Management Plan9. Chiseldon is identified as being location in the Down Plain and Scarp landscape area¹⁰.
- 58. Local Plan policy SD2 identifies Chiseldon Parish as an "other village" where development will be supported within the rural settlement boundaries where it delivers at least the quantum of development identified in the local plan and responds positively to address local needs. Other relevant policies are:
 - Policy B04 which encourages a co-ordinated and consistent approach to biodiversity conservation across the AONB and its setting which invites the NDP to make provision for specific biodiversity net gain projects.
 - Policy B08 which encourages the improvement of connections between people and the natural environment and promote access to nature throughout the AONB.
 - Policy HE05 which promotes the production and publication of 'local lists' of heritage
 - Policy DE01 which encourages all proposals for new development, redevelopment and re-use to conserve and enhance the natural beauty of the North Wessex Downs and opposes forms of development that fail to conserve and enhance the character and quality of the AONB and its setting.
 - Policy DE08 which seeks to avoid and reduce light pollution, including control of lighting schemes or other developments that threaten the integrity of dark night skies over the North Wessex Downs.
 - Policy DE16 which encourages local community to identify local needs and assist in the conservation and enhancement of local distinctiveness through the preparation of neighbourhood plans.
 - Policies TLA 12 and 13 support responsible use of rights of way, and encourage the creation and maintenance of new permissive and definitive routes that link existing routes and enable recreational walkers, cyclists, riders and carriage-drivers to avoid busy roads.
- Chiseldon parish is mainly agricultural outside the developed areas. Development boundaries have been identified in Local Plan policy SD2 for Chiseldon and Badbury. These are shown in Figure 10. The settlements are not identified as containing primary or secondary retail frontages. Local Plan policy SD2 supports development in smaller villages such as Chiseldon but outside the village, development in the countryside will be permitted to meet local needs (including where identified in a neighbourhood plan) and for the expansion of tourist and visitor facilities.
- 60. Policy LN1: Local and Neighbourhood Planning sets out how the Borough will engage in the neighbourhood planning process.

⁹ Management Plan - North Wessex Downs AONB

¹⁰ North Wessex Downs Management Plan Figure 4.

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Figure 10: Development boundaries in Chiseldon and Badbury

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CHAPTER 4

Policies

Policy 1: Housing mix

- 61. Chiseldon Parish Council undertook an online survey in the Summer of 2022 to better understand resident's needs for new housing. 135 people responded to the survey and they were predominantly home owners (75%). The headline results are that:
 - 37% would wish to move into a different home in Chiseldon if they could. For those who wished to move.
 - The preferred house size was 2 bedrooms (51%), with an even split for other house sizes.
 - They prefer a detached house (67%), bungalow (55%) and terraced housing was the least preferred (35%)
 - Most (77%) would prefer to purchase their home if they moved.
 - The main reasons for wanting to move where about house size (either too large or too small) but 22% wanted to move because they were living with family.
- 62. In order to better understand housing need in the Parish, the parish council commissioned AECOM to prepare a Housing Needs Assessment (HNA) which forms part of the evidence base for the CNDP.
- 63. The HNA should be considered by applicants when preparing schemes and decision-makers in determination of planning permission. The HNA confirmed that 72% of people own their homes in the parish with relatively high house prices that have increased by around 70% in the decade. The HNA found that the median house price would require an annual income 43% higher than the current average and that average private rents are only affordable to higher earners.
- 64. Swindon Borough Council advised that in 2022, there were 10 households with a local connection to Chiseldon on the waiting list for affordable housing.

First Homes

- 65. First Homes are the government's preferred discounted market tenure and should account for at least 25% of all affordable housing units delivered by developers through planning obligations.
- 66. First Homes are a specific kind of discounted market sale housing and should be considered to meet the definition of 'affordable housing' for planning purposes. First Homes are discounted market sale units which:
 - a) must be discounted by a minimum of 30% against the market value;
 - b) are sold to a person or persons meeting the First Homes eligibility criteria (a first time buyer with a combined household income of less than £80,000).
 - c) on their first sale, will have a restriction registered on the title at HM Land Registry to ensure this discount (as a percentage of current market value) and certain other restrictions are passed on at each subsequent title transfer; and,
 - d) after the discount has been applied, the first sale must be at a price no higher than £250,000 (or £420,000 in Greater London).
- 67. First Homes are the government's preferred discounted market tenure and should account for at least 25% of all affordable housing units delivered by developers

- through planning obligations. Neighbourhood Plans can apply their own eligibility criteria in addition to the national criteria. This can include a policy requiring a local connection. Any local eligibility criteria will apply for a maximum of 3 months from when a home is first marketed.
- 68. The HNA concluded that the 50% discount would make First Homes comfortably affordable to average earning households. Given the current own/rent proportions in Chiseldon and other matters of affordability, First Homes would provide a very useful form of affordable housing for Chiseldon.

Type and size

- 69. The HNA concluded that Chiseldon's housing stock is dominated by detached and semi-detached housing which makes up a substantially higher proportion of stock compared to the levels in Swindon as a whole. There is a relatively smaller proportion of terraced housing and very few flats.
- 70. The HNA considered that many of the current homes (81%) have one bedroom more than what is required and are thus considered to be "under-occupied", mainly because as families grow older and change, children move out leaving the houses with un-used bedrooms. The conclusion is that there are sufficient large homes but that smaller 2 and 3 bedroom properties are needed to complement existing stock. This conclusion is supported by the Chiseldon Parish Council survey cited above.
- 71. Community consultation and representation made to the parish council indicate strong support for new homes to be wheelchair accessible. This means that design of new homes should allow residents to adapt to wheelchair use if the need arises. Design should ensure that such matters as light switches and plugs are not be at ground floor level, that doors are wide enough for wheelchairs to pass through, level access to the main entrance; a flush threshold; sufficiently wide doorways and circulation space; and a toilet at entrance level. Changes to building regulations in 2020 introduced an optional requirement for standards for wheelchair access (Requirement M4(2) and M4(3)¹¹.

Local plan policies

- 72. It is possible that the next Swindon Local Plan will allocate land for housing in the parish. Swindon Borough Local Plan Policy HA1 requires housing development to be design led and to respect the character of the surrounding area with a variety of densities, sizes and types to meet local needs as identified within the Swindon Strategic Housing Market Assessment and the Swindon Borough Housing Strategy. However, these studies will now be out of date and the HNA provides more recent evidence.
- 73. Local Plan Policy HA 2: Affordable housing requires that all developments of 15 homes or more have a target to deliver 30% affordable homes on site and mixed with other homes in the development.
- 74. Policy HA3: Wheelchair Accessible Housing requires that for proposals for 50 dwellings or more at least 2% should be suitable for wheelchair users. This would indicate that the provision of single storey access (bungalow) developments would be

¹¹ BR_PDF_AD_M1_2015_with_2016_amendments_V3.pdf (publishing.service.gov.uk)

- appropriate in Chiseldon which is supported by the parish council survey. Residents wish to have a higher provision of wheelchair accessible properties. Local policies are able to require that lifetime home standards are applied, according to building regulations M4 (2) and M4 (3).¹²
- 75. The local plan does not contain policies on First Homes and this has therefore not been assessed for viability. The neighbourhood plan does not allocate land for housing and there are no current local plan housing allocations in the parish. For this reason, it is unknown whether the provision of affordable housing or First Homes will be required. It is therefore deemed necessary to consider viability of these policies at planning application stage.

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¹² Categories M4(2) and M4(3) are optional requirements which local authorities can apply through local planning policies where they have identified a local need and where the viability of development is not compromised. Raising accessibility standards for new homes: summary of consultation responses and government response - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Policy 1: Housing mix

When meeting the requirements of Swindon Borough Local Plan policies HA1, HA2 and HA3, the following mix of housing will be required in Chiseldon Parish:

- A. A minimum of 30% required affordable housing will be provided of which at least 25% will be First Homes.
- B. First Homes will have a 50% discount applied and will be offered first to people with a local connection to Chiseldon Parish.
 - The First Homes discount percentage may by exception vary on a site-by-site basis, taking into account viability. In the event that concerns are raised that the requirements may render development unviable, a viability assessment must be prepared to justify any variation.
 - 2. A local connection can be proven by demonstrating: current residency, employment requirements, family connections or special circumstances such as caring responsibilities. Buyers with a local connection should be given priority over non-local residents for a minimum marketing period of 3 months.
- C. Dwelling sizes of market and affordable housing should be predominantly 2-3 bedrooms, will conform to the nationally described space standard.
- D. New dwellings should conform to building regulations M4(2) and M4 (3) to be accessible and adaptable to residents at all stages of their lives.

Policy 2: Sustainable transport

- 76. Chiseldon Parish already has a well-developed network of public rights of way and bridleways. Sustrans National Cylce Route (NCR) 45 also crosses the parish and joins NCR 482 which is in the southern part of the parish and joins to Marlborough. However, the local community have expressed a wish for the walking and cycling network to be improved and extended. There are two ways that this might happen: it might be delivered as a developer contribution as part of a major housing scheme or other large-development, or it might be provided by either Swindon Council or Chiseldon Parish Council from Community Infrastructure Levy receipts.
- 77. Swindon Borough Local Plan Policy TR1 seeks to maximise opportunities to walk and cycle and reduce the dominance of the car on the street scene. Green infrastructure should be integrated into the design of transport schemes. Policy CM2 will increase opportunities to walk and cycle and improve access to green spaces.

Walking

Figure 11 shows the footpath and Sustrans national cycle network in Chiseldon Parish. Figure 12 is an inset of Chiseldon village which shows that there are numerous footpaths in the settlement rendering it extremely permeable and "walkable".

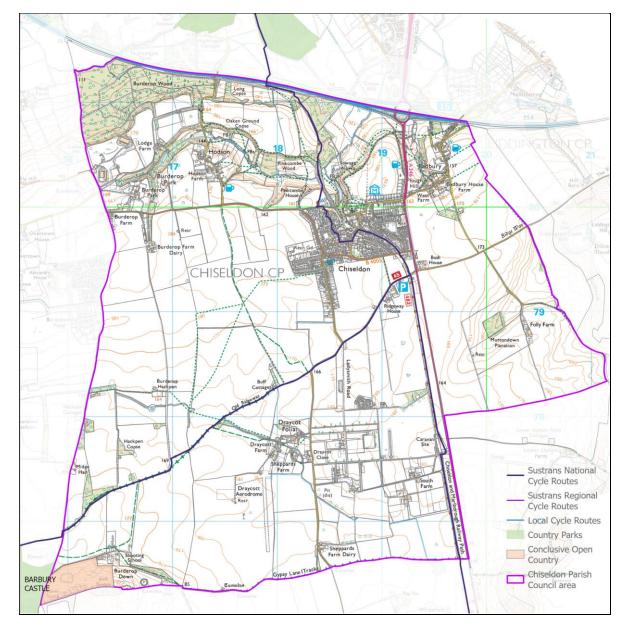


Figure 11: public access routes in Chiseldon Parish

Source: Wiltshire and Swindon Biological Records Centre, under OS licence100063176

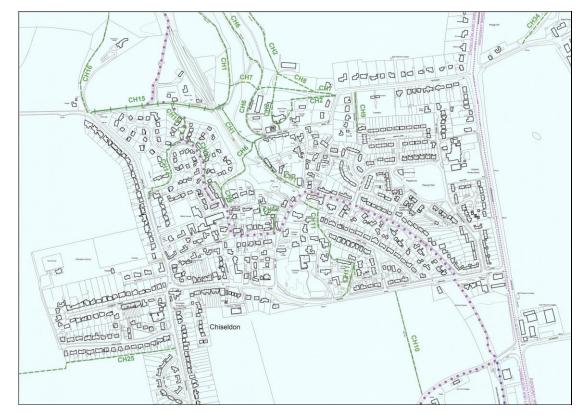


Figure 12: public rights of way in Chiseldon village

Source: Chiseldon Parish Council, under OS licence100063176

Cycling

- 78. Sustrans priorities include improving the crossings of New Rd and the Ridgeway which are currently uncontrolled and unsuitable for unsupervised children. Longerterm, Sustrans has had an aspiration to reroute NCN 45 so it avoids the steep hill up to Home Close and Hodson Road. There are a number of options such as the former railway alignment, the Washpool and the water treatment plant track but none have been properly investigated. A more accessible and direct alignment which would need to be subject to a future feasibility study but would clearly be beneficial.
- 79. The steering group has assessed the current cycle route provision, considering where improvements are required and where hazards are present. The output of this work is shown in **Figure 13** which identifies existing weaknesses and **Figure 14** which shows where improvements are sought.

Road safety statistics for walking and cycling

80. Swindon Borough Council recommends use of <u>Crashmap</u> to view accident data. Looking at the 5 year period 2018-2022, it shows that there was only one pedal cycling casualty (1/10/2020, slight, New Road and Station Road) and no pedestrian casualties. There were however many accidents, particularly on the A346, involving motorised vehicles – these were however predominantly slight.

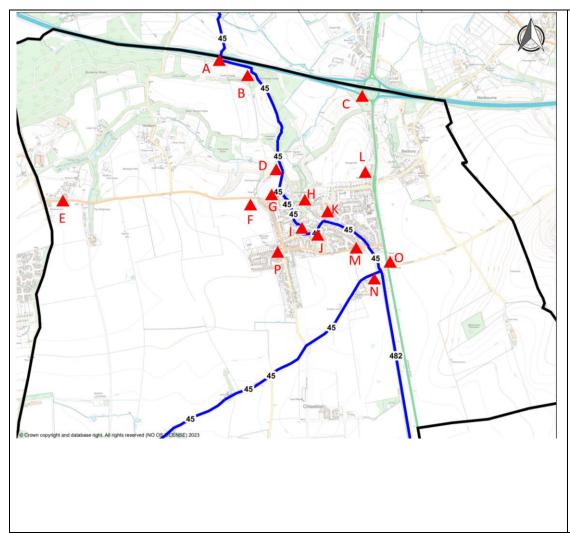


Figure 13: Identified weaknesses in the cycle and pedestrian network in Chiseldon Parish

- A. NCR 45 bridge across the M4 becomes very icy in temperatures approaching zero degrees Celsius.
- B. NCR 45 has a sharp, near-90 degree bend on a steep descent, made more slippery by leaves and moss, especially in autumn & winter.
- C. M4 crossing has no traffic light control.
- D. Steepest section of NCR 45 averaging 20% with maximum 22% gradient makes it impossible to ride for most people and difficult to walk up. Descending is dangerous due to the sharp bend at the bottom, made more slippery due to moss and leaves.
- E. The narrow pavement is directly next to the very fast and narrow B4005 single carriageway with poor surface, used by many HGVs, including Earthline. Pavement ends suddenly.
- F. Hodson Road crossing is uncontrolled. Travelling north, the left hand side is blind when turning right towards NCR 45.
- G. NCR 45 into Chiseldon connects to Home Close via many sharp turns and a narrow, blind footpath.
- H. Steep, narrow footpath downhill to Washpool averages c13%.
- I. NCR 45 through Dykes Mews crosses over garages, which are in frequent use.
- J. The High Street is narrow, with cars invariably parked by the Spar, with a risk of being hit by car doors.
- K. Busy and confusing crossroads.
- L. Crossing the fast A346 is uncontrolled.
- M. NCR 45 crossing busy New Road is uncontrolled.
- N. NCR 45 crossing The Ridgeway (by the Three Trees) is uncontrolled.
- O. Crossing the fast A346 is uncontrolled.
- P. The roundabout by the Patriots Arms is busy, fast, and cars frequently pass over the roundabout and even the wrong way.

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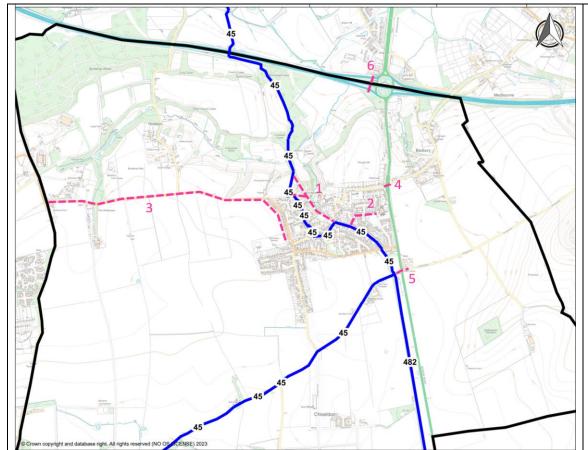


Figure 14: Proposed improvements to the cycle and pedestrian network in Chiseldon Parish

- 1. Connection to Stroud's Hill from existing NCR 45 cycle path, bypassing the steep 20% section, utilising the former railway line
- 2. Cycle lane to the school segregated cycle lane from Stroud's hill to Chiseldon Primary School
- 3. Connection to Burderop Park footpath & cycle lane segregated from fast traffic on B4005, connecting the village to the Burderop Park housing estate
- 4. Safe crossing to Badbury across the fast A346, to connect the village to Badbury, Badbury Wick, Liddington and Wanborough
- 5. Safe crossing at Three Trees across the fast A346, to connect the village to Foxhill, via the Ridgeway
- 6. Safe crossing to Badbury Park across the M4, to connect the village with Badbury Park, the Great Western Hospitals

Additionally:

- 7. Creating a metalled path to Hodson from NCR 45, using the existing track.
- 8. Metalling the NCR 45 cycle path to Marlborough, which currently turns into mud during autumn to spring.
- 9. Straightening and flattening NCR 45 cycle path between Chiseldon and the M4.
- 10. Metalling the existing track around Plough Hill.

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Policy 2: Sustainable Transport

Developments that seek to fulfil requirements in Swindon Borough Local Plan policies TR1 and CR2 will deliver improvements set out in Figures 13 and 14.

Policy 3: Biodiversity and nature recovery

- 81. This policy is provided in anticipation to changes required under the Environment Act 2021 which area not yet fully implemented. England is widely considered to be one of the most nature-depleted countries in the world following historic and ongoing declines. Government has made legally-binding commitments to end these declines and for nature to recover.
- 82. Local nature recovery strategies (LNRS) are a nationwide system of spatial strategies to help reverse the decline of biodiversity. There will be approximately 50 strategy areas covering the whole of England with no gaps or overlaps. Preparation of each strategy will be locally led by a 'responsible authority', in this case Swindon Borough Council will be working with Wiltshire Council to prepare the LNRS for Chiseldon parish.
- 83. The LNRS had not been finalised by the time that this CNDP was submitted to the planning authority. In Spring 2025, the LNRS will be published. This will be a map-based online tool that will enable landowners to understand whether their land has been identified as a priority for nature recovery. This will include detailed geographical designations of where priorities lie, for which habitats, and how those habitats can be improved (the "measures") for individual species.
- 84. At the time of writing, these priorities and measures have not been published, and this policy must therefore be worded to anticipate what will occur in the early years of this NDP without certainty of the results.
- 85. The responsible authority (Swindon and Wiltshire councils) are required to work collaboratively with other local organisations with input encouraged from across the public, private and voluntary sectors to establish shared proposals for what action should be taken and where. In this case, the NDP is setting out a local land use strategy for inclusion in the wider LRNS when that is prepared. There is already a significant level of environmental stewardship in Chiseldon Parish for local sites such as the Washpool and elsewhere on local farms.
- 86. The Parish Council has commissioned the Wiltshire and Swindon Biological Records Centre to prepare maps of habitats and ecological data to aid local understanding.
- 87. **Appendix 3** provides detailed habitat maps describing the local baseline which may be included in the LNRS for Wiltshire and Swindon. The maps show areas of particular importance to biodiversity, either because of their existing designations, they are locally important or have potential for improvement. **Figure 15** shows potential areas of importance for the LNRS and of importance to the local community.

Figure 15: Nature recovery priority areas in Chiseldon Parish

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- 88. **Figure 15** shows where existing habitats could benefit from protection and improvement for nature recovery, marked A-F. Consideration of the data in Appendix 3 can be utilised to identify measures and actions for these areas. These areas are the priorities for the Chiseldon Parish residents and should be the starting point for proposals for nature recovery. The LNRS priorities and measures (when available) should be overlain and used in conjunction with the areas identified in Figure 15.
 - Areas A and B are large mosaic areas with a range of habitats including deciduous woodland, lowland calcareous grassland and meadows, water bodies that could be improved for natural flood management and wetland habitats, alongside high quality agricultural land. Much of this land is protected by the M4 motorway on the northern boundary as well as the steep hillside slopes that make access and development difficult. These areas should be protected and could be enhanced to provide better habitats through careful management that allows wildlife to thrive. It may be necessary to limit public access to certain areas to reduce human impacts.
 - Areas C and D are small wooded areas in the midst of monoculture agriculture.
 As such, they provide local oases for wildlife and should be protected. It may be necessary to limit public access to these sites to allow nature to recover.
 - Area E is predominantly agriculture at present but is subject to flooding at periods of high rainfall. It may be appropriate to consider natural flood management techniques¹³ and the creation of wetland habitats in this corridor.
 - Area F links to Barbury Castle and contains a scheduled monument in the south west corner of the parish. There are small areas of woodland and a good number of hedgerows. There may be scope to improve the hedgerow network to provide natural corridors for small creatures whilst taking advantage of the protection provided by the scheduled monuments. Changed approaches to land management and agriculture might be suitable to foster nature recovery.

Requirements for applicants

- 89. Applicants for development where biodiversity net gain is a requirement or who seek to provide environmental enhancements should give evidence in planning applications that demonstrate that biodiversity net gain and local nature recovery has been fully considered in scheme design and that this has been retained within the parish.
- 90. Biodiversity net gain should be delivered on the development site where possible. If it is not possible, it may be delivered off-site. This is set out clearly in planning practice guidance¹⁴ and will not be repeated here. The CNDP seeks to ensure that any BNG requirement that arises within the parish boundaries will be delivered within those boundaries. This is to keep local nature recovery local.

¹³ The Natural Flood Management (NFM) manual - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

¹⁴ Biodiversity net gain - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Local Plan policy

- 91. Swindon Borough Local Plan Policy EN1: Green Infrastructure Network, in accordance with the Swindon Borough Green Infrastructure Strategy requires that development shall protect and enhance green infrastructure including trees, hedges and woodlands, habitats. Development shall provide and design green infrastructure to integrate with existing green corridors identified in the policies map. Figure 15 should be considered to form part of the policies map.
- 92. Policy EN4 requires development to avoid direct and indirect negative impact on sites identified on the policies map and damage or disturbance to local sites will generally be unacceptable. All development should provide biodiversity net gain which is defined in the Environment Act as a 10% net improvement.

Policy 3: Biodiversity net gain and local nature recovery

Proposals that are required to provide biodiversity net gain must demonstrate that those requirements have been fully addressed as follows in order:

- 1. Consider how the Wiltshire Local Nature Recovery strategy affects the site or any site that might be utilised for off-site biodiversity net gain and ensure that biodiversity net gain is delivered within this context.
- 2. Where the site(s) fall within the areas in Figure 15, LRNS principles should be delivered on the CNDP identified sites before sites outside these boundaries wherever possible;
- 3. If the proposal precedes the publication of the LRNS, advice should be sought from the Wiltshire LRNS team or Swindon Borough Council ecologists.
- 4. Where biodiversity net gain cannot be delivered on the proposal site, applicants must work with Swindon Borough Council to identify ways that off-site biodiversity net gain can be delivered within Chiseldon Parish.
- 5. Where off-site biodiversity gain is proposed, this should be focused on the nature recovery areas shown in Figure 15 first, then on the Local Nature Recovery Strategy Map priority areas, and as a last resort, elsewhere in the parish.
- 6. Expert ecological advice should accompany planning applications to demonstrate how long-term biodiversity net gains will be delivered with long term benefits and management plans.
- 5. Only where off-site biodiversity improvements can be proven impossible to deliver within the parish can off-site and out-of-parish biodiversity improvements be considered.
- 6. Planning proposals must demonstrate that landowners of sites where biodiversity net gain is proposed agree to the proposals and will cooperate in their delivery.

Policy 4: Local Green Spaces

93. This policy relies on the National Planning Policy Framework 2023 paragraphs 105 to 107:

105. The designation of land as Local Green Space through local and neighbourhood plans allows communities to identify and protect green areas of particular importance to them. Designating land as Local Green Space should be consistent with the local planning of sustainable development and complement investment in sufficient homes, jobs and other essential services. Local Green Spaces should only be designated when a plan is prepared or updated, and be capable of enduring beyond the end of the plan period.

106. The Local Green Space designation should only be used where the green space is:

- (a) in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves;
- (b) demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular local significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of its wildlife; and
- (c) local in character and is not an extensive tract of land.

107. Policies for managing development within a Local Green Space should be consistent with those for Green Belts.

- 94. Chiseldon's character is defined in large part by the local green spaces that provide opportunities for the community to gather, celebrate, play and relax. These open spaces are a result of historical development patterns, such as the local church cemeteries, the washpool (where sheep were herded for dipping) and the abandoned railway line and station site. New development has also added important green spaces which give definition to residential areas and, where larger and more substantial such as on Hodson's road provide extensive nature corridors.
- 95. The NDP is allocating the following sites as Local Green Spaces (**Table 3**), according to the provisions of the NPPF 2023. Full descriptions and detailed maps are provided in **Appendix 4**. The parish-wide map of Local Green Spaces is copied overleaf in **Figure 16**. Each of the sites identified have been agreed with landowners and are of importance to local people as described in the supporting text. They all lie within the parish and are therefore in close proximity to residents. None of them are extensive tracts of land and they are local in character. All sites therefore meet the tests in NPPF 2023 para. 106.

Figure 16: Local Green Spaces in Chiseldon Parish

96. Source: Andrea Pellegram Ltd. under OS licence100063176.

- 97. In the Chiseldon settlement, there are a number of very small individual green spaces that together make a significant contribution to the street scene and character. Most of these small spaces frame other Local Green Spaces or are simply places for people to walk or park their cars. Though these small spaces are unlikely in most instances to be vulnerable to development, they are vulnerable to change, for instance if they were paved or otherwise covered in hard surfaces. If this were to occur, their contribution to local greening and street scene would be diminished. They therefore require protection.
- 98. The Local Green Spaces in Chiseldon that make a positive contribution to the local character and street scene are shown in **Figure 17** and discussed in detail in **Appendix 5**. These amenity green spaces meet the tests in the NPPF para. 106 in a different way from the local green spaces identified in Appendix 4. They are small and relate to amenity; they are locally important because of how they frame the local built environment.

Figure 17: Local Green Spaces that are important for street scene and framing local character in Chiseldon Parish (brown outline)



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Policy 4: Local Green Spaces

- A. Land identified in Figure 16 and Appendix 4 is designated as Local Green Space in Chiseldon Parish.
 - 1. Recreation Field
 - 2. Home Close nature area and wildlife corridor (West)
 - 3. Home Close nature area and wildlife corridor (East)
 - 4. Washpool
 - 5. Strouds Hill Green
 - 6. Holy Cross church graveyard
 - 7. Sir Henry Calley Memorial Garden
 - 8. Butts Road cemetery and garden of remembrance
 - 9. Castle View Play Area
 - 10. Chiseldon Primary School playing field
 - 11. Canney Green
 - 12. Allotments and "Millennium Copse"
 - 13. Old railway track path
 - 14. Green space at Aisne Road, Ridgeway View
 - 15. Green space at Draycot Close, Draycot Foliat
 - 16. Burderop Park
- B. Land identified as Local Green Space (amenity) in Figure 17 and Appendix 5 will retain its green and open character and will remain free of hard surfacing, except for the purposes of pedestrian access.

Policy 5: Design

- 99. Swindon Borough Local Plan Policy DE1 requires high standards of design for all types of development and proposals should address the objectives of sustainable development through design principles:
 - a) Context and character
 - b) Layout, form and function
 - c) Amenity
 - d) Quality of the public realm.
- 100. Policy DE1 is supported by the Swindon Design Toolkit. Policy DE2 sets out detailed methods to encourage new development to be as carbon neutral as possible and it is suggested that the CNDP does not therefore need to consider this.
- 101. Swindon Borough Local Plan Policy TR2 requires parking provision including secure cycle and motorcycle parking to be provided in accordance with the Council's adopted parking standards.
- 102. Swindon Borough Local Plan Policy EN5: Landscape Character and Historic Landscape protects the intrinsic character, diversity and local distinctiveness of landscape and requires the design of development and materials to be sympathy with the North Wessex Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) is a nationally recognised area of landscape protection. Proposals within the Borough which are within and or abuts the North Wessex Downs AONB must accord with relevant criteria set out in the AONB Management Plan and paragraph 132 of the NPPF.
- 103. The North Wessex Downs Management Plan sets out a planning and management approach to the North Wessex Downs.
- 104. Swindon Borough Local Plan Policy EN10 states that Swindon Borough's historic environment shall be sustained and enhanced. This includes all heritage assets including historic buildings, conservation areas, historic parks and gardens, landscape and archaeology.
- 105. Chiseldon Parish Council engaged AECOM to prepare **Chiseldon Design Codes** and **Guidance (2023)**. This document accompanies the CNDP and should be considered by all applicants when designing their schemes. The following codes are considered by the Town Council to be of particular importance:
 - BF02 amount of enclosure
 - BF03 building density
 - BF05 Modifying extensions
 - BF07 style and materials
 - SU01 low carbon homes
 - SU02 Solar Panels
 - SU03 permeable surfaces

106. Thames Water has requested that the following text be included in the CNDP:

"Where appropriate, planning permission for developments which result in the need for off-site upgrades, will be subject to conditions to ensure the occupation is aligned with the delivery of necessary infrastructure upgrades."

"The Local Planning Authority will seek to ensure that there is adequate water and wastewater infrastructure to serve all new developments. Developers are encouraged to contact the water/waste water company as early as possible to discuss their development proposals and intended delivery programme to assist with identifying any potential water and wastewater network reinforcement requirements. Where there is a capacity constraint the Local Planning Authority will, where appropriate, apply phasing conditions to any approval to ensure that any necessary infrastructure upgrades are delivered ahead of the occupation of the relevant phase of development."

"Development must be designed to be water efficient and reduce water consumption. Refurbishments and other non-domestic development will be expected to meet BREEAM water-efficiency credits. Residential development must not exceed a maximum water use of 105 litres per head per day (excluding the allowance of up to 5 litres for external water consumption) using the 'Fittings Approach' in Table 2.2 of Part G of Building Regulations. Planning conditions will be applied to new residential development to ensure that the water efficiency standards are met."

With regard to surface water drainage, Thames Water request that the following paragraph should be included in the Neighbourhood Plan "It is the responsibility of a developer to make proper provision for surface water drainage to ground, water courses or surface water sewer. It must not be allowed to drain to the foul sewer, as this is the major contributor to sewer flooding."

Policy 5: Design

All planning applications will demonstrate conformity with the Chiseldon Design Codes and Guidance (2023).

Policy 6: Non-designated Heritage Assets

- 107. A great part of Chiseldon parish's character derives from its very high quality built environment. **Appendixes 1 and 2** show the conservation areas and listed buildings respectively. These are designated assets.
- 108. Swindon Borough Local Plan policy EN10 requires that the historic environment will be sustained and enhanced. Proposals for development affecting heritage assets shall conserve and, where appropriate, enhance their significance and setting. Any harm to the significance of a designated or non-designated heritage asset, or their loss, must be justified.
- 109. In addition to listed buildings, there are many non-listed structures and buildings that are also worthy of protection though they are not designated. These are listed in **Policy 6, Figure 18 and Appendix 6**.

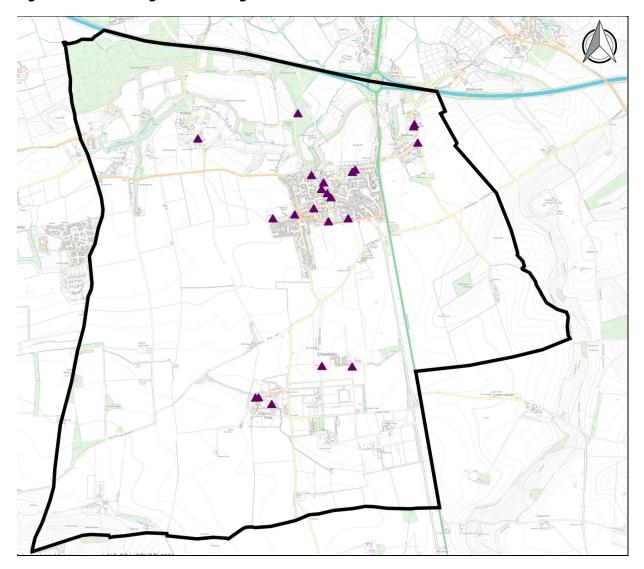


Figure 18: Non-designated heritage assets in Chiseldon Parish

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110. Additional information on all heritage assets can be found in the <u>Historic Environment Record</u>.

Policy 6: Non-designated Heritage Assets

For the purposes of Swindon Local Plan Policy EN10, non-designated heritage assets are listed below, shown in Figure 18 and described in Appendix 6.

- 1. Well preserved old style post box in attractive corner building with brick wall enclosure (within the curtilage of a listed building).
- 2. Centuries old bridge believed to be Saxon. Reinforced by US troops in the 1940's.
- 3. Church remains at Draycot Foliat.
- 4. Commemorative Stone at Chiseldon Camp.
- 5. Chiseldon Camp at Ridgeway View 1915 1974.
- 6. Stone and Brick walls.
- 7,8 Old brick railway bridges from Marlborough to Swindon line. Includes Cuckoo bridge at Washpool.
- 9. Historic building dating to 1877. Was once a Chapel and then morgue. Now the site of the Parish Council offices and local museum. These buildings are not listed. Unique purpose and design in the local area
- 10. Millstone near Butts Road Cemetery.
- 11. Steps between Church Street and Washpool.
- 12. Iron bench and gate at entrance to washpool from Stroud's Hill.
- 13. Stone at Stroud's Hill carpark entrance.
- 14. Remains of train station wall at Stroud's Hill.
- 15. Jubilee tree guard at Rec ground with time capsule buried underneath.
- 16. Coronation Gates at Recreation Ground.
- 17. Old stone walls along Turnball.
- 18. War Memorial on New Road.
- 19. Brick wall at Canney Green, Chiseldon.
- 20. Red British Telecom box at Badbury.
- 21. Royal Mail post box wall at Badbury (within the curtilage of a listed building).
- 22. Stone and Brick walls.

Policy 7: New play equipment

- 111. Chiseldon Parish has three main areas with play and recreation capacity and equipment. **Appendix 7** describes the existing facilities. There are two recreation and play areas: Castle View is aimed mainly at children and young people and the Recreation Ground is aimed mainly at adults. There are no other formal outdoor play areas in the parish.
- 112. Swindon Borough Local Plan policy EN3 requires new development to make provision for play space and protects them against development unless alternative provision is made. Para. 4.346 allows neighbourhood plans to identify new provision when considering proposals. Policy EN3 therefore anticipates that development may give rise to the need for additional play equipment.
- 113. Chiseldon Parish Council has considered existing provision for play equipment and has drawn up a list of considerations that should form part of design for new play equipment.
- 114. Any new play equipment within the Parish should take note of the following considerations:
 - All equipment should be provided by a recognised national equipment supplier.
 Equipment should not be bought from unknown/local sources or created by the developer or their builder/contractor.
 - All equipment should pass current British and European safety standard BS EN1176 before installation. This applies to all fencing, flooring, and auxiliary equipment provided such as bins and noticeboards.
 - Play equipment should not be situated near any water hazard.
 - Play equipment should not be situated near any roads unless suitable fencing is installed, which is at least 4 foot tall and gated.
 - All equipment should include a range of inclusive equipment which is accessible
 by those with disabilities. Installation should follow the principles found in the
 Disability Discrimination Act 2004 and Equality Act 2010 and not contravene
 these laws in any way.
 - All equipment installed should have a 10 year manufacturer guarantee.
 - The age range for equipment should be between 2-16 years of age.
 - The council prefer equipment made of metal to ensure longevity.
 - The council will not accept responsibility for the insurance, maintenance or other liability of zip wires or high rope equipment.
 - All equipment should be accessible by the whole parish –private play areas will not be supported.
 - Suitable poured rubber flooring should be supplied under all equipment with a fall height in excess of 1500mm. Grass may be used for fall heights under 1500mm. (RoSPA recommendations as of 2023) British Standards EN1176 and EN1177 should be followed.
 - Suitable flooring should be supplied under all equipment to minimise the degradation of grass.
 - No bark mulch is to be used on site.
 - Suitable waste receptacles should be on site which includes recycling facilities.
 - Suitable benches should be on site.

- There should be vehicle access available to the site, for grass cutting machinery or maintenance vehicles.
- A metal notice will be supplied and erected to outline any rules or procedures required on site, with the Parish Council providing the required wording.
- Play equipment should be situated a minimum of 30 metres from the nearest dwelling boundary.
- Design should be in accordance with <u>Let's Play Fair | Bringing inclusive</u> playgrounds to life | Disability charity Scope UK

Policy 7: Play equipment and play areas

- A. Existing play equipment and play areas in Chiseldon will be preserved according to the requirements of Swindon Borough Local Plan policy EN3.
- B. New play equipment will be designed according to the considerations set out in paragraph 114 above.

Policy 8: Community facilities

- 115. Chiseldon is well provided with a range of community buildings and places where residents can gather for social occasions. In addition to formal Use Class F uses (learning and local community uses) there are also a number of pubs and the recreation ground where people can gather socially. There are three halls that can be privately booked: the Memorial Hall, the Church hall and the school hall.
- 116. Swindon Borough Local Plan policy CM4 supports the creation of new community infrastructure (Class F) and protects against the loss of such facilities except under certain circumstances. Para. 4.308 states:

Where a development proposal comes forward which involves the loss of an existing community facility, this may be appropriate where sufficient evidence is provided to demonstrate that there is either a suitable and sustainable alternative and/or that the facility is no longer required and/or that the facility is longer economically viable.

117. Some of the community facilities listed in Policy 8 have national permitted development rights to change use because they are shops. Where this may become an issue in a planning application, applicants will be required to demonstrate that their proposal is permitted, and if not, then a planning application will be required to explain why the change of use is justified and Policy 8 will be engaged. Applicants are asked to consider the Town and Country Planning General Permitted Development order¹⁵, Class MA, which allows the change of use of shops to residential with nationally granted planning permission. However, that right does not exist where the shop to be converted is more than 1000 metres from any other shop that would serve the day to day needs of the community or is smaller that 280 metres square or where it is in a conservation area.

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¹⁵ The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development etc.) (England) (Amendment) Order 2021 (legislation.gov.uk)

Policy 8: Community Facilities

The facilities listed below will be considered when fulfilling the requirements of Swindon Borough Local Plan policy CM4.

Community facilities as defined in the Swindon Borough Local Plan	Facilities in Chiseldon Parish
Public Halls (including community/youth centres),	 Chapel office (Butts Road) Memorial Hall (Draycot Road) Social Club – currently closed (Draycot Road) Religious building (New Road)
Church Halls;	Holy Cross Church hall (Church Street)
Post Offices;	Spar (High Street)
Local shops within both urban and rural areas;	 Spar (High Street) Meadow Stores (New Road) Three Trees Farm Shop and cafe (Ridgeway) Esso Fuel station and forecourt shop, including Subway (New Road/A346)
Indoor and outdoor sports facilities;	Recreation ground and club house
Schools and non-residential education and training centres;	 Chiseldon Primary School (Castle View Road) Badbury Shooting School & café (Badbury)
Places of worship;	Holy Cross Church (Church Street)
consulting rooms (including GP surgeries and dental practices);	Doctors Surgery (Station Road)
Museums,	Museum (Butts Road)
Public Houses;	 Patriots' Arms pub (Draycot Road/New Road) Plough on the Hill pub (A346 Badbury) Bakers Arms pub (Berricot Lane, Badbury) Calley Arms pub (Broome Manor Lane, Hodson)

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(www.gov.uk)

CrashMap

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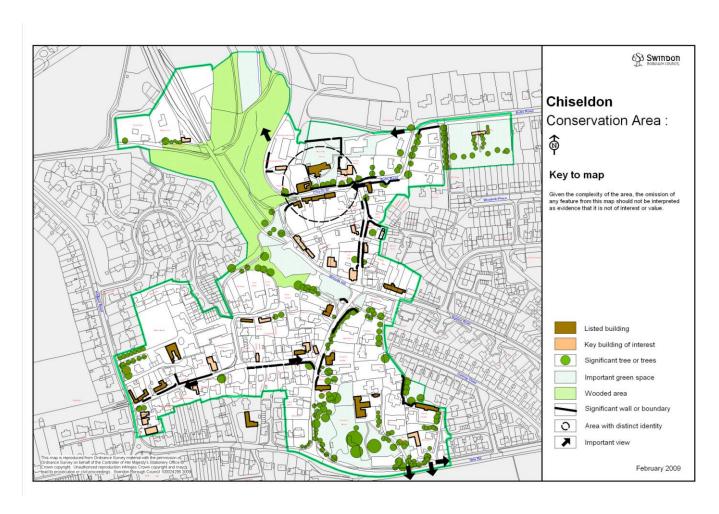
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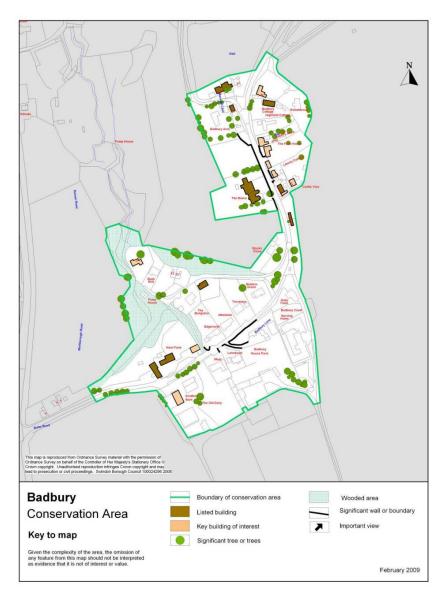
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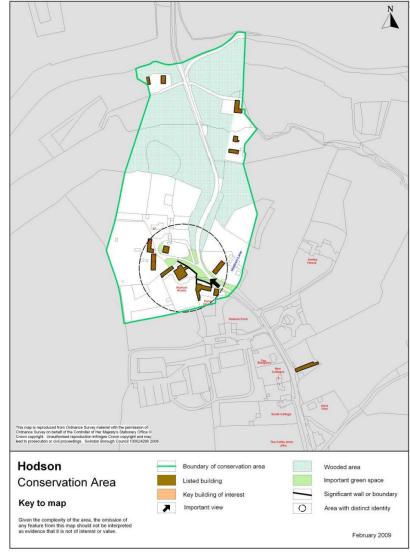
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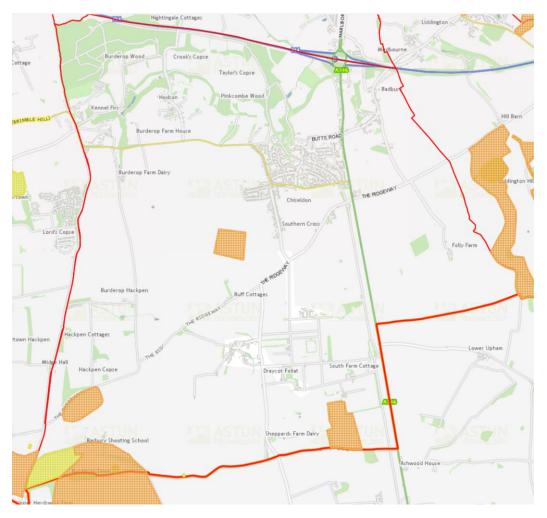
Appendix 1: Conservation Area Maps for Chiseldon, Badbury and Hodson and scheduled monuments







Swindon Borough Local Plan 2026 Significant unscheduled archaeological feature (Policy EN10)



Source: Swindon Borough Local Plan 2026 policies map

Appendix 2: Listed Buildings in Chiseldon Parish

List Entry Name	List Entry Number	Link	Heritage Category	Grade	Location
CHISELDON COTTAGE	1023326	https://HistoricEngland.org.uk/listing/the-list/list-entry/1023326	Listing	II	CHISELDON COTTAGE MAYS LANE Chiseldon CHISELDON Swindon
CHISELDON MANOR HOUSE	1023324	https://HistoricEngland.org.uk/listing/the-list/list-entry/1023324	Listing	II	CHISELDON MANOR HOUSE HODSON ROAD Chiseldon CHISELDON Swindon
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BASE OF FORMER WINDMILL	1023311	https://HistoricEngland.org.uk/listing/the-list/list-entry/1023311	Listing	II	BASE OF FORMER WINDMILL THE BUTTS Chiseldon CHISELDON Swindon

GLEBE COTTAGE	1023314	https://HistoricEngland.org.uk/listing/the-list/list-entry/1023314	Listing	II	GLEBE COTTAGE 1 CHURCH STREET Chiseldon CHISELDON Swindon
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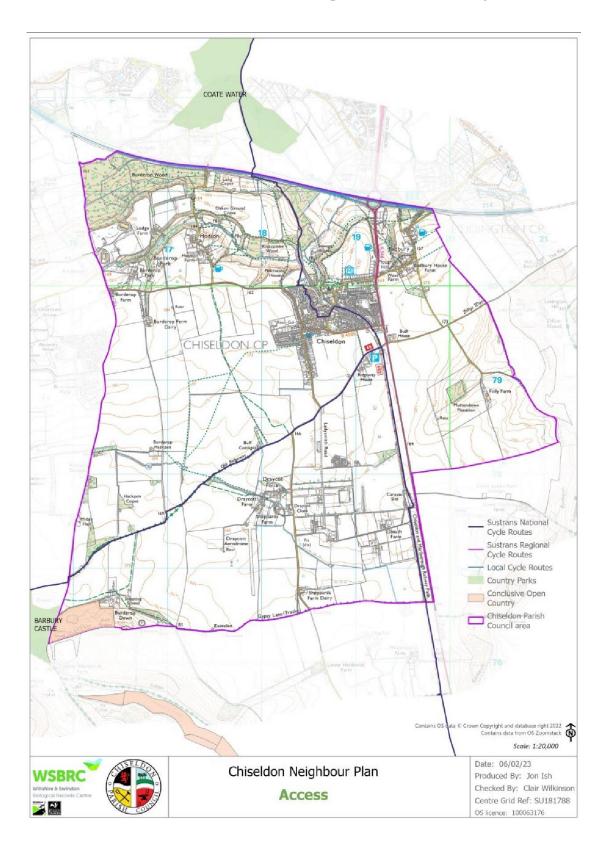
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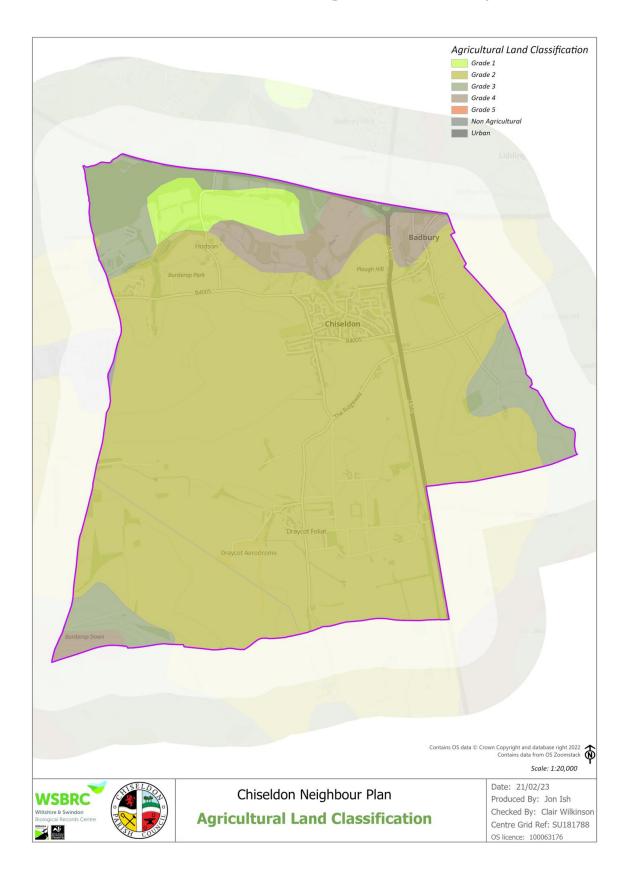
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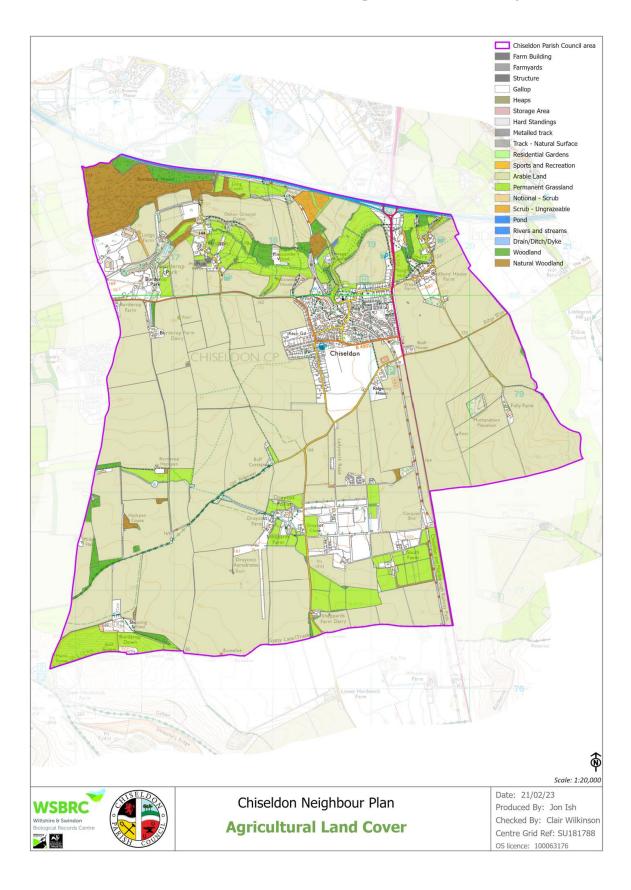
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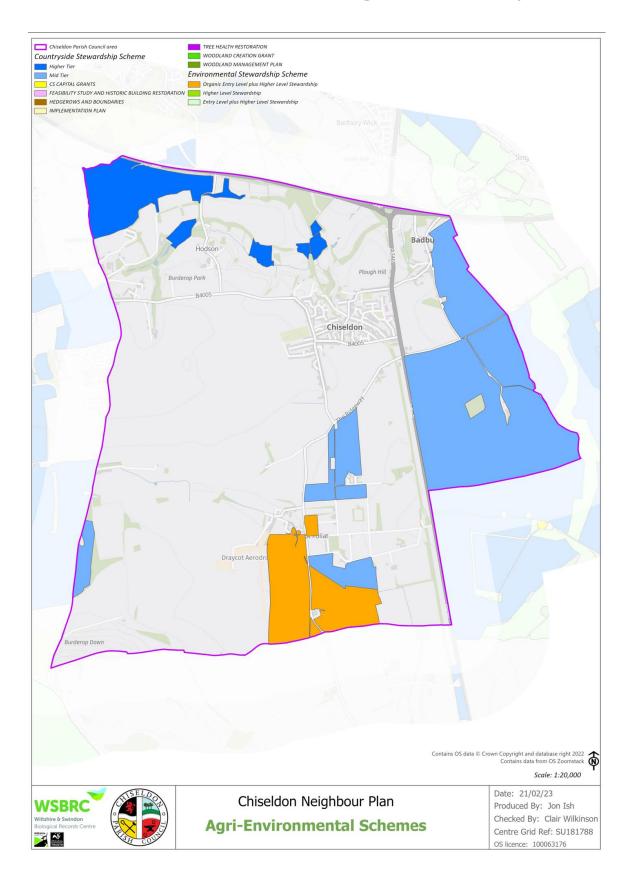
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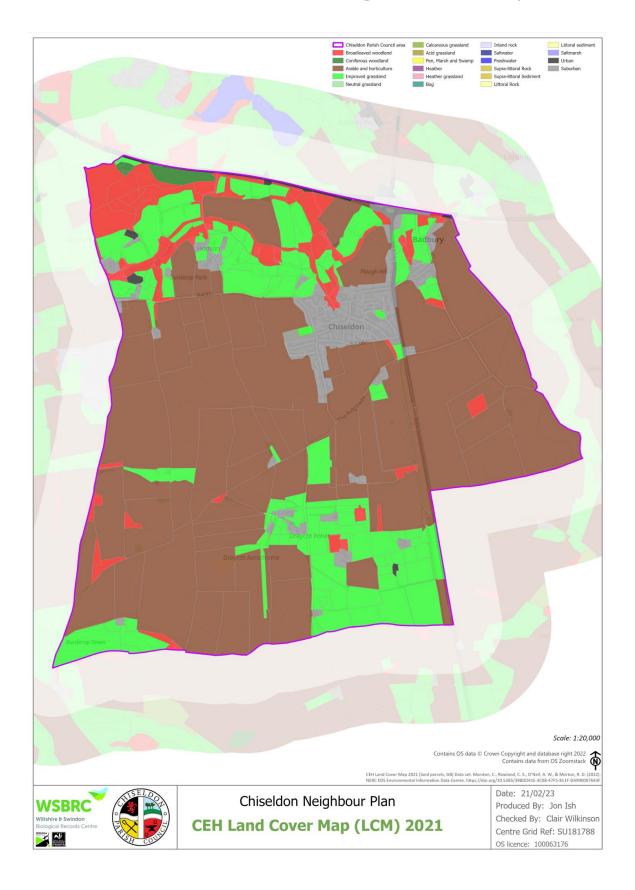


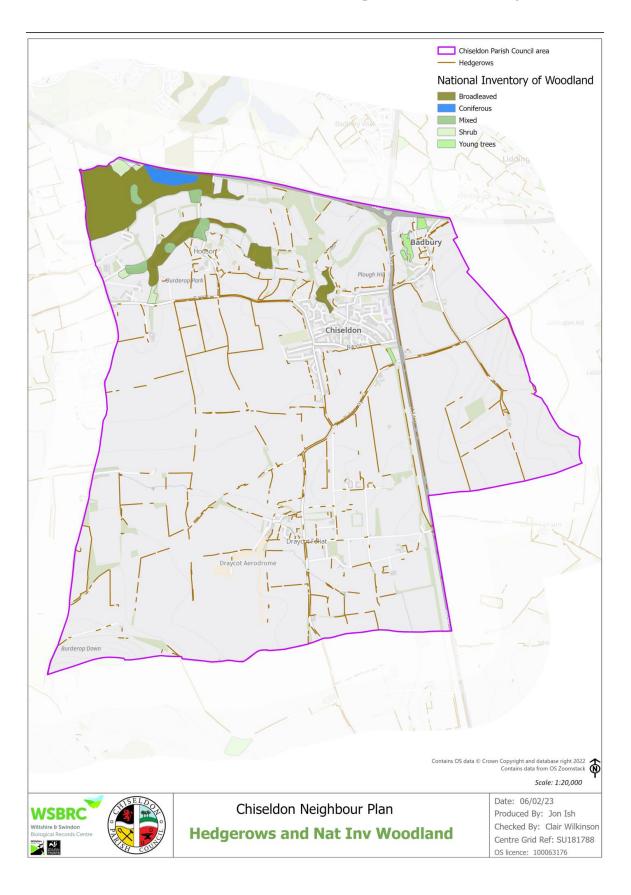


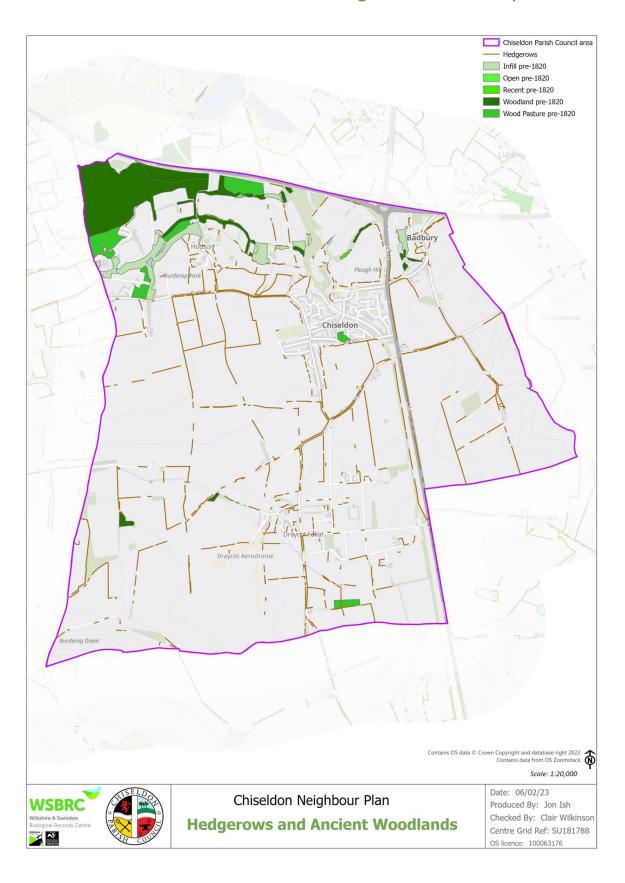


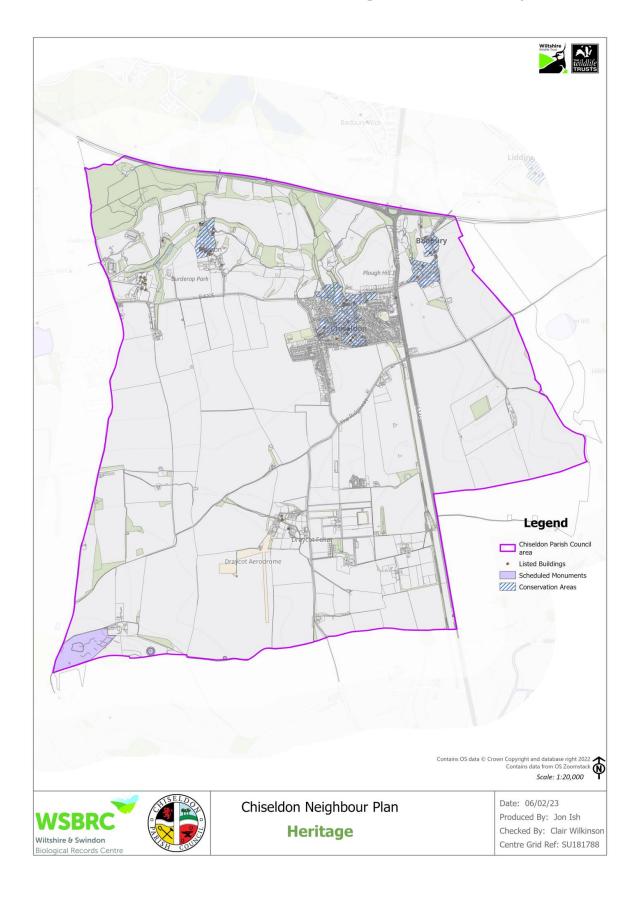


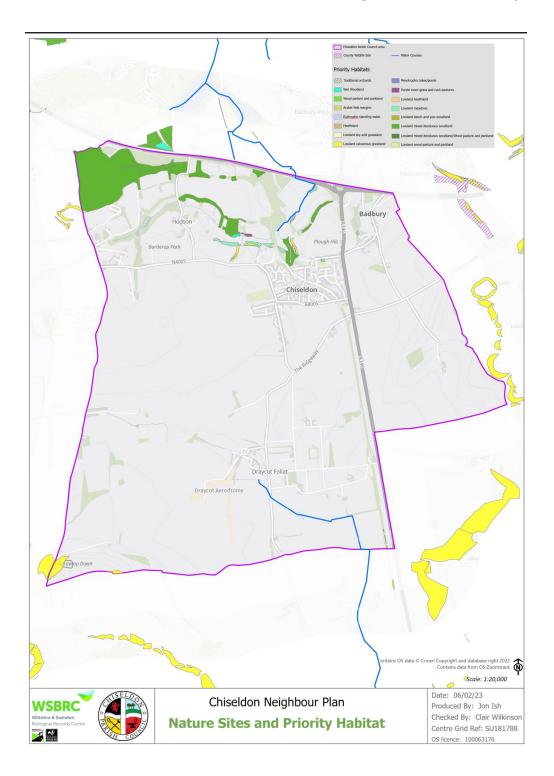


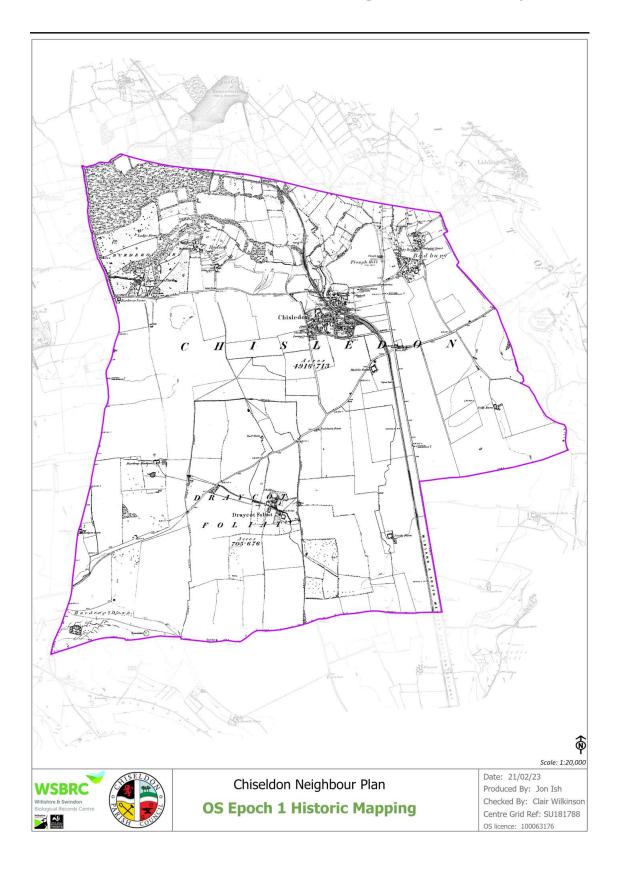














Appendix 4: Local Green Spaces

Name: Recreation Field (1) Address: Off Norris Close, Chiseldon

Proximity:

Situated on the west side of Chiseldon, within walking distance from all of Chiseldon village and those in Hodson.

Local significance:

Largest available open space for recreation that is not privately owned within the parish. Events are held here. The Chiseldon football club play their matches here. The area is the site of the ornate wrought iron Coronation Gates for Queen Elizabeth II.

Free play is available on this site for all. Dogs are welcome on a lead for walking. Clubs such as scouts use the field for outside activities. The Tennis Club is located on this site, along with the recreation hall and outside gym equipment.

Local in character:

Bordered by houses on two sides, and trees, fencing and farmland on the other 2. The area is defined by its boundaries.





Name: Home Close nature area and wildlife corridor West (2)

Address: Off Hodson Road, Chiseldon at the entrance to Home Close and adjoining Washpool

Proximity:

On the edge of the Home Close housing development, bordering the B road that runs through the village and towards Wroughton.

Local significance

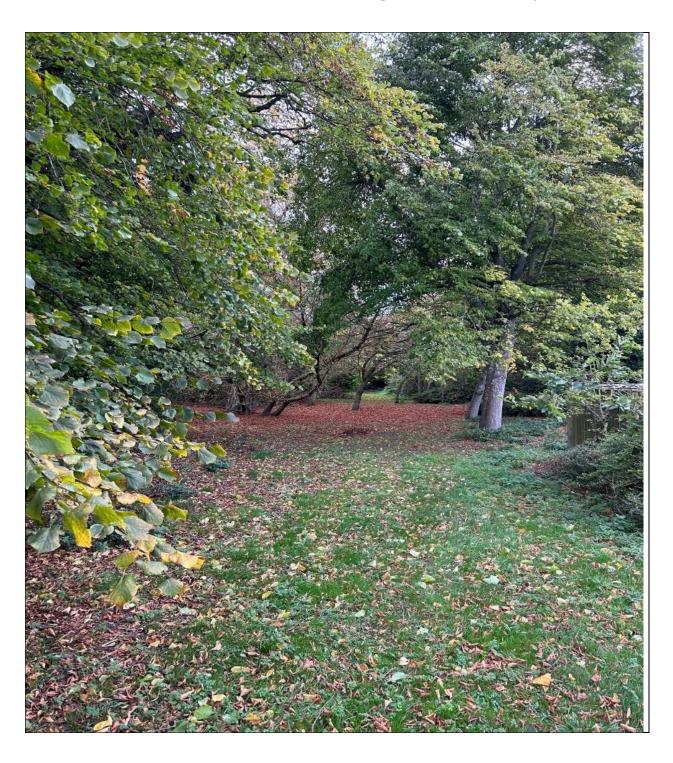
Used by dog walkers. The site is left wild to the benefit of animals and insects. "Corridor" used by deer in the area. Required as access to drainage tunnels installed by SBC to combat flooding on Hodson Road. Wooded area.

This land is owned by Swindon Borough Council and managed by Chiseldon Parish Council.

Local in character:

Small area contained within a tree lined boundary. Left "wild" for the benefit of local wildlife and insects.





Name: Private residence that provides a continuing wildlife corridor between Strouds Hill and Home Close. (3)

Address: Off Stroud Hill Car park and adjoining Washpool

Proximity:

On the edge of the Home Close housing development and Strouds Hill green, accessible from Strouds Hill.

Local significance

Bordering Washpool and Home Close, this area completes the central wildlife corridor.

Local in character:



Name: Washpool (4) Address: Off Butts Road Chiseldon

Proximity:

Accessed via Butts Road, Strouds Hill, Church Street and Norris Close. Central community location

Local significance

Tranquil. Wildlife – three ponds, including a newt pond, local walks, 6 sheep privately owned by volunteer group graze the site.

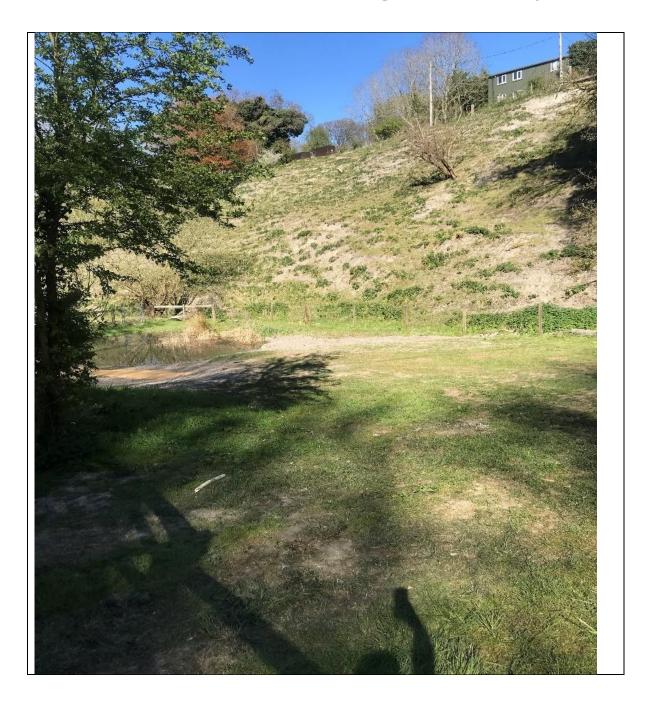
Historic part of the area – Mill site, Blacksmith Site, Pathway for church between Hodson and Chiseldon. Site used to many locals – local walks and walking route to Swindon (Coate), picnics, dog walking, cycling, paddling in the stream, animal and plant discovery. Valued as a sense of peace and quiet within the local area. Usage was increased dramatically during Covid when outside safe space was needed. A group of volunteers maintain the site for everyone to use.

The parish council have a 30 year lease of this land starting in 2008.

Local in character:

Located in a valley, with pedestrian access on all sides. Full of trees, shrubs, wildflowers and meadow areas.





Name: Strouds Hill Green (5)

Address: Strouds Hill,
Chiseldon

Proximity:

Near the Washpool site, and near the local shop. Widely used by children playing and dog walkers. Central location in the village. Convenient parking area to access local 45 cycle route and washpool.

Local significance

Muntjac live in the tree line bordering this green area. Historic value as the site of the station for the old railway line that ran through Chiseldon. Children use the site as a play area. The area is surprisingly calm and quiet. The children in nearby flats with no outside area, use the area as playing space. Used for small public events – playing out schemes. A number of mature trees line the area which are full of local wildlife. Car park provides access to Washpool.

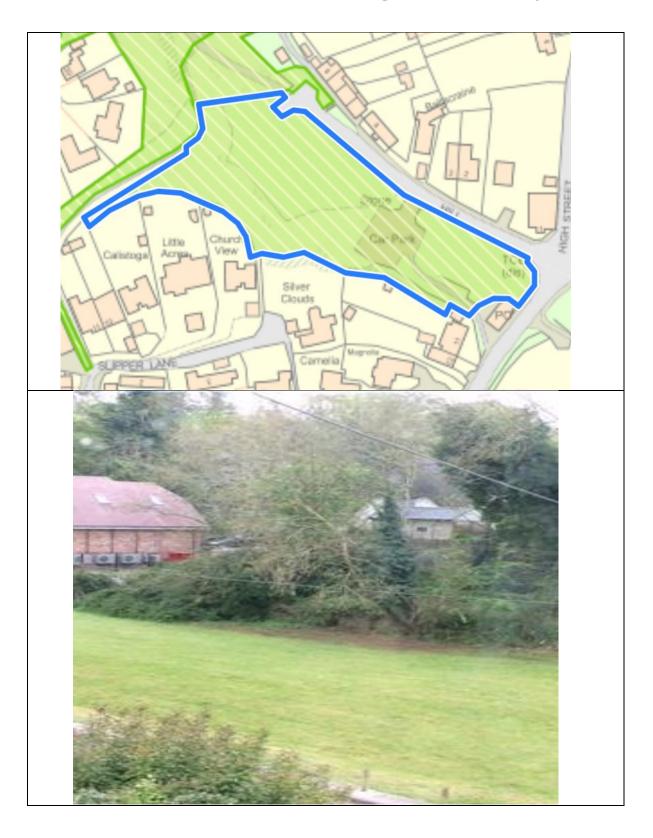
This photo shows the site in 1900.



Local in character:

The green is bordered on all sides by houses or back gardens. The green sits in a natural dip of land with banks to 3 sides and a slope down to washpool.

The land is owned by Swindon Borough Council and is managed by the parish council.



Name: Holy Cross church graveyard (6)

Address: Holy Cross Church, Church Street, Chiseldon

Proximity:

The churchyard is in the historic core of the Chiseldon settlement

Local significance

Church of England parishes for Chiseldon with Draycot Foliat, Ogbourne St Andrew with Rockley and Ogbourne St George.

Local in character:

The churchyard is surrounded by walls and residential development on three sides.



Name: Sir Henry Calley Memorial Garden (7)

Proximity:

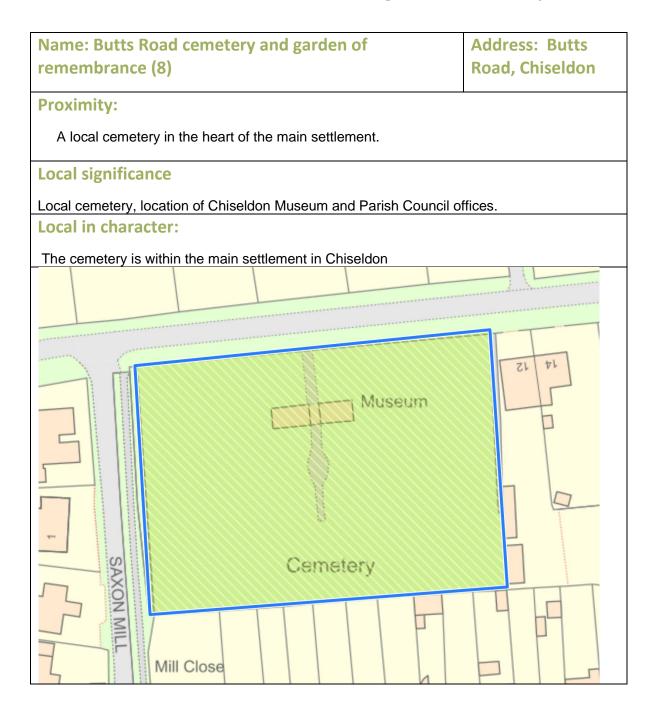
Within historic heart of original Chiseldon settlement adjacent to Holy Cross Churdh.

Local significance

Local cemetery managed by the Parish Council.

Local in character:

The cemetery is within the main settlement in Chiseldon.



Name: Castle View Play Area (9)	Address:
	Castle
	View
	Road
	Chiseldo
	n

Proximity:

Central location. Near the Primary School.

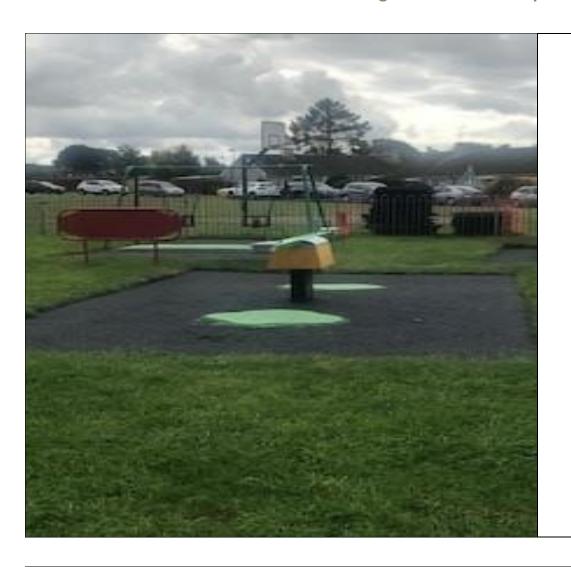
Local significance

The only play area with equipment in the Parish. Located near the primary school – used extensively after school and during the holidays. Local meeting spot for children and teenagers. Football games are played on site using the goals provided. Children cycle on the field and used by dog walkers. Used by children who live in flats with no access to green outside space of their own. Retirement bungalows border the site and allows the elderly to visit a green space near to their homes.

Local in character:

Surrounded by houses on all sides. Accessed by the Primary school. Location for parents to use on school drop off and pick up.





Name: Chiseldon Primary School playing field (10)

Address: Castle View Road Chiseldon

Proximity:

Situated within the local Primary School

Local significance

Required for the 150 approx school children who attend the school to ensure they have exercise and outside space during their school day. Part of local history and would be beneficial to retain in perpetuity.

Local in character:

Within main settlement.



Name: Canney Green (11) Address:

Proximity:

Centre of Chiseldon Village

Local significance

Small green open space, backed by properties on all sides. Used for informal leisure – kids play, dog walking etc.

Local in character:

Surrounded on 2 sides with historical red brick walls and hedge on the remaining sides. Secluded with only pedestrian access.



Name: Allotments and land adjacent to allotments known as the "Millennium Copse" (12)

Address: New Road Chiseldon

Proximity:

Located off of the "main" road that runs through Chiseldon - New Road.

Site of the old railway line that ran through Chiseldon that has strong historical significance in the Parish. The 26 allotment plots provide outside recreation for residents of the parish. There is a bluebell wood within the Milenium Copse which is a willow copse. There are 3 benches for walkers. Part of the 45 cycle route.



Local in character:

Allotment plots and a small copsed area of willow trees



Name: Old railway track path, Chiseldon (13)	Address: Off of Ridgeway Road, Chiseldon
Proximity:	
Accessed to the east of Chiseldon near the location of the Part of the 45 cycle route.	e popular 3 Threes Farm Shop.

Local significance

Follows the path of the old railway line that ran through Chiseldon – which has great local significance to residents.

A very popular walking route leading to Ogbourne St George and Marlborough. Used extensively for dog walking, horse riding and cycling as its part of the 45 cycle route.

Part of the historic railway line. Tree lined path with views to local fields.





Name: Green space at Aisne Road, Ridgeway View (14)

Address: Aisne Road, Ridgeway View

Proximity:

Situated within the small hamlet of Ridgeway View. The site of the old army hospital within WW2.

Local significance

Historical significance due to the "Chiseldon Camp" in WW2. <u>Chiseldon Camp Swindon - history of an army base not forgotten (swindonweb.com)</u>. Used by local residents as an open playing space. The current site of a memorial stone commemorating those who passed through the camp during WW2 placed by Chiseldon History Group.

Small green area overlooked by properties at Ridgeway View. SAMBRE ROAD

Name: Green space at Draycot Close, Draycot Foliat (15)

Address: Draycot Close, Draycot Foliat

Proximity:

Small green space outside the properties on Draycot Close at Draycot Foliat.

Local significance

Play area for children. Contains pathway for access to the properties of Draycot Close. Provides a green outlook from modest front gardens.

Local in character:

Although owned by SBC the area is felt to be part of the curtilage and local amenities for residents in Draycot Close.



Name: Burderop Park (15)

Address: Park Lane.

Adjacent to B4005 at the Burderop Barns T

Junction

Proximity:

Situated to the West of the Parish. Open space within the Burderop Park housing development..

Local significance

Bordered by the Burderop Estate on 2 sides, private land to a third and the B4005 on the forth.

Local in character:

Open space for general leisure amenity for those living at Burderop Park. Serving as a buffer between the estate and the B4005.





Appendix 5: Local Green Spaces (Amenity Green Spaces)

Name: Green spaces at School Close

Address: Green spaces at School

Close

Proximity:

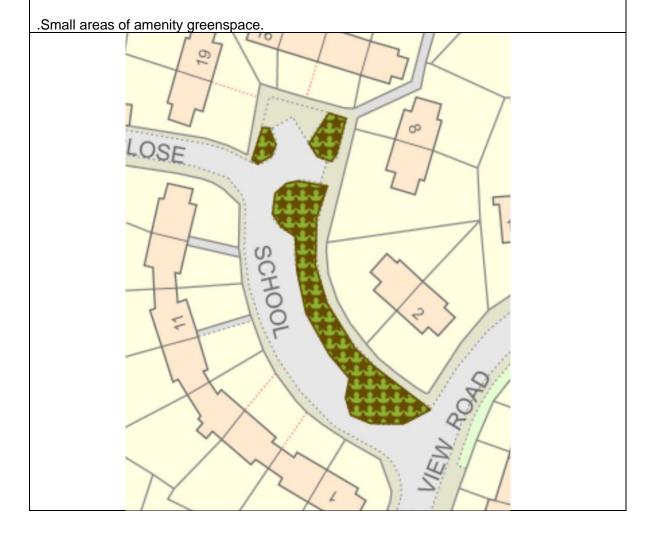
Located in the centre of the village of Chiseldon

Local significance

The area is used extensively for extra parking for residents of School Close who would otherwise have to park in neighbouring streets.

This land is owned by Swindon Borough Council.

Local in character:



Name: Green verges around Downs Road

Address: Downs Road and Castle Road, Chiseldon

Proximity:

Situated within the centre of the village of Chiseldon.

Local significance

The various small green verge sites with trees form a large part of the visual landscape to those living on Downs Road and Castle View Road. Gardens for the retirement bungalows are modest and these extra green areas provide an outside open space for residents.

This land is owned by Swindon Borough Council.

Local in character:

Small areas woven into the pavements and curves of the road.



Name: Pattern of amenity verges in south east quadrant of Chiseldon settlement

Address: New Road, Station Road, Castle View Road, A346, Downs Road

Proximity:

These local green spaces are interwoven throughout the development in the south east quadrant of Chiseldon .

Local Significance:

These small amenity greenspaces provide a network for walking and give a sense of openness to the residential areas. They are a defining feature of the streetscape and local build character.

These sites are believed to be owned by Swindon Borough Council.

Local in character:

These are very small parcels of "left over" land along the highway.

Appendix 6: Non-designated heritage assets

127. The following maps and tables show the non-designated heritage assets in Chiseldon Parish. Some structures are already listed or are within the curtilage of listed buildings. Where this is the case, they are included here to provide more evidence to support design and planning decisions.

Figure 19: Draycot Foliat and Chiseldon View



Figure 20: Hodson and Chiseldon

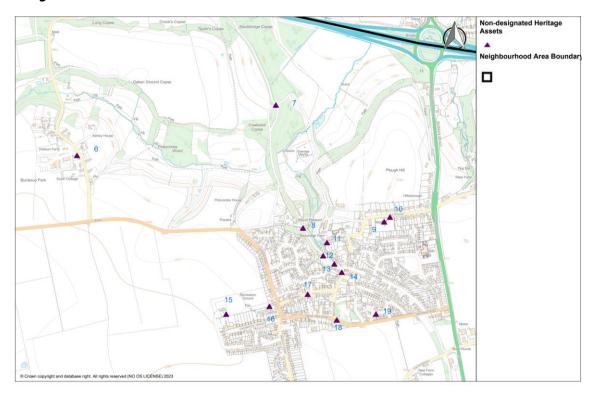
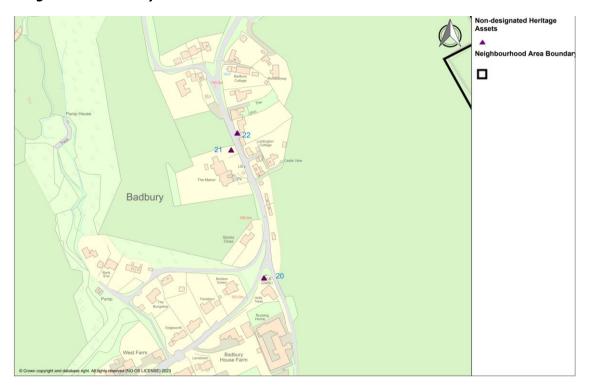


Figure 21L Badbury



Name

Victorian post box set in brick wall

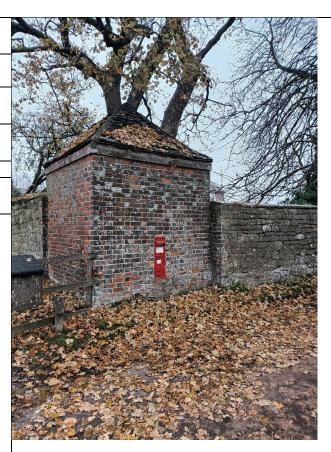
Map reference (1)

Address

Draycot Foliat

Significance

Well preserved old style post box in attractive corner building with brick wall enclosure.

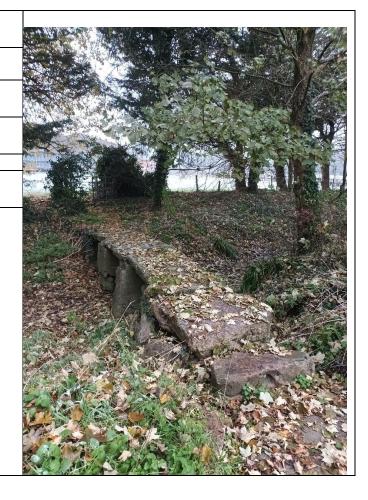




Name Saxon bridge over river Ogg in Draycot Foliat Map reference (2) Address

Significance

Centuries old bridge believed to be Saxon. Reinforced by US troops in the 1940's.



Name	
Church remains at Draycot Foliat	
Map reference (3)	
Address	
Draycot Foliat	
Significance	

WAM 30 1898 (Wiltshire Archaeology Magazine)

Deed – Edmund Bishop of Salisbury dated 27th June 1572

Extract:

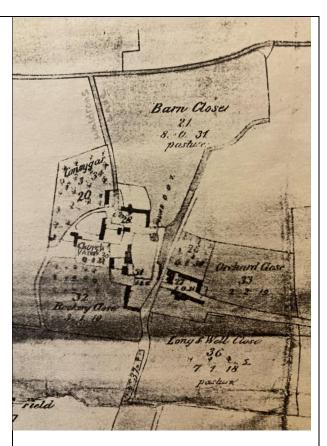
"We will also direct and ordain that the said church of Draycot Folyat be entirely pulled down and razed and that the stones, lead iron, glass and wood of the same be converted and applied towards repairing and mending the church of Chisseldene". Christopher Dewe was vicar of Chiseldon at this time.

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Draycot Foliat Church (by F A Carrington)

This church was demolished in the reign of Queen Elizabeth 1 by order of Edmund Gheast, who became Bishop of Salisbury in 1571 and gave the order for demolishing it in the first year of his translation.

The order still remains in the registry of the Diocese of Salisbury, and at some times of the year the site of the church can be accurately traced. It appears to have been about 75ft long by 20ft broad, the chancel somewhat narrower.



Name

Commemorative Stone at Chiseldon Camp

Map reference (4)

Address

Sambre Road, Ridgeway, Chiseldon View

Significance

Local sarsen stone erected by the Chiseldon Local History Group to commemorate the passing of troops through the site from 1914 to 1962 during 2 World Wars.



Name

Chiseldon Camp at Ridgeway View 1915 – 1974

Map reference (5)

Address

Ridgeway View

Significance

The road system is from early in the First World War and was an early example of concrete road construction. Clearly visible on google maps.

There are a few buildings remaining.

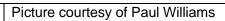
Railway platform. Short lived branch from Chiseldon Station one mile to the north, constructed in 1915 which was taken up in 1919. See Chiseldon Camp Swindon - history of an army







base not forgotten (swindonweb.com)







Characterises the hamlet of Hodson.

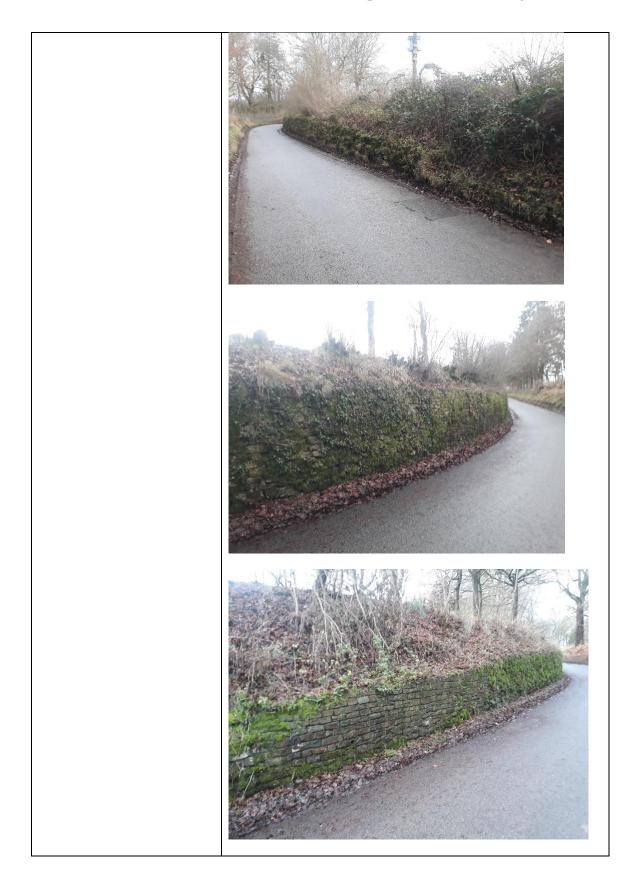
The 2009 Hodson Conservation document created By Swindon Borough Council notes items such as:

Prevalent use of local materials, notably local rubble stone and chalkstone and that and stone slate roofing.

Property boundaries are generally defined by well-kept hedges and stone walls. Roadside hedgerows are comprised of indigenous species.













Images from the Conservation document



Stone boundary walls are a feature.

Name

Old brick railway bridges from Marlborough to Swindon line. Includes Cuckoo bridge at Washpool

Map reference (7,8)

Address

Significance

Historical items from a now dismantled railway line that was closed in 1961.







Name

Butts Road Chapel and Museum

Map reference (9)

Address

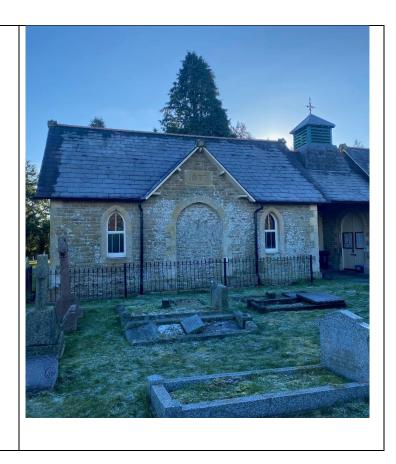
Butts Road, Chiseldon

Significance

Historic building dating to 1877. Was once a Chapel and then morgue. Now the site of the Parish Council offices and local museum. These buildings are not listed. Unique purpose and design in the local area.







Name

Millstone near Butts Road Cemetery. Note – is Listed.

Map reference (10)

Address

Footpath between Saxon Mill and Butts Road cemetery. Chiseldon

Significance

The windmill was built in the 1820s and went out of use in the 1880s. when it became cheaper to grind wheat from America at the port of entry. In the 1980s the tower



was moved brick by brick and rebuilt in West Swindon. The money raised by the sale paid for the Chiseldon tennis courts. A millstone by the footpath near the Butts Road cemetery marks the spot where it once stood. There had been a watermill in Chiseldon which was mentioned in the Doomsday Book, probably Saxon.

Name

Steps between Church Street and Washpool

Map reference (11)

Address

Washpool Chiseldon

Significance

Historical local feature which joins Church Street to Strouds Hill – the location of the railway station and Washpool.



Name

Iron bench and gate at entrance to washpool from Strouds Hill

Map reference (12)

Address

Washpool, Chiseldon. Accessed via Strouds Hill

Significance

Handcrafted bespoke iron bench and gate. The bench looks over view of the valley at the washpool site and the gate is the entrance to Daniels Garden. Made by John Bevis Master Blacksmith the Blacksmith who has recreated ancient weaponry for the Tower of London. Both funded by local grants.







Name

Stone at Strouds Hill carpark entrance

Map reference (13)

Address

Strouds Hill, Chiseldon

Significance

The Spearhead Stone on Stroud's Hill Green was installed in 1975 to commemorate 900 years of the Diocese of Salisbury.



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Name

Remains of train station wall at Strouds Hill

Map reference (14)

Address

High Street

Strouds Hill Chiseldon Significance

The village of Chiseldon had expanded in size due to the railway which ran through the centre of the village, with a stop that is now Strouds Hill. The railway line which went from Swindon to Marlborough has now been closed and removed..





Name

Jubilee tree guard at Rec ground with time capsule buried underneath

Map reference (15)

Address

Recreation field. Accessed via Norris Close.

Significance

Commissioned by CPC for the Queens Platinum Jubilee in 2022. One off design. Handmade by a local blacksmith. Local information collected for time capsule. Photo by Claire Parsons



Name

Coronation Gates at Recreation Ground

Map reference (16)

Address

Pedestrian entrance to the Rec field, off Hodson Road. Chiseldon

Significance

Commissioned by the Parish Council for the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II. Unique local history item. Beautiful craftsmanship.



Name

Old stone walls along Turnball

Map reference (17)

Address

Turnball, Chiseldon

Significance

Turnball is noted in the Chiseldon Conservation document 2009 for its stone walls. These are a characteristic that is local to the area and create a charming street scene. Quote:

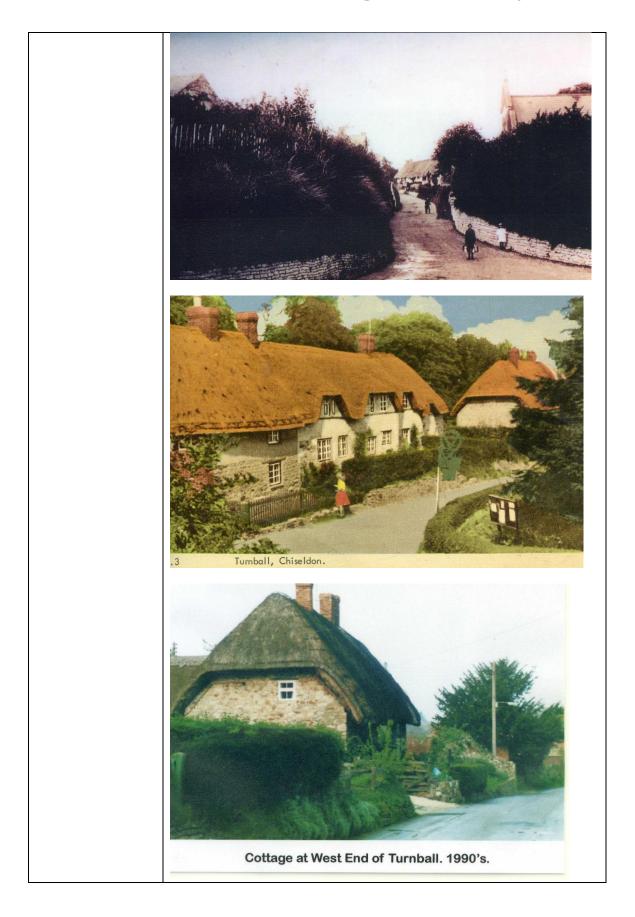
"Number of historic, thatched cottages are set close to the road, fronted b y stone walls and box



hedges. At the junction is a bridk 19th century tollhouse "







Name

War Memorial on New Road

Map reference (18)

Address

New Road, Chiseldon

Significance

The only external accessible place to commemorate those who died in conflict within the Parish. There is a memorial plaque within Holy Cross church.



Name

Brick wall at Canney Green. Chiseldon

Map reference (19)

Address

Area where The Canney and Canney Close join with the footpath towards High Street.

Significance

Historical long length of boundary wall. Not common to the area. Forms part of the character of the Chiseldon area.



Name

Red BT box at Badbury

Map reference (20)

Address

Junction of main Badbury road and Downs View Road Care home road.

Significance

Prominent local landmark. Houses a defibrillator for the area. Only red BT box left in the parish.



Name

Royal Mail post box in listed wall at Badbury

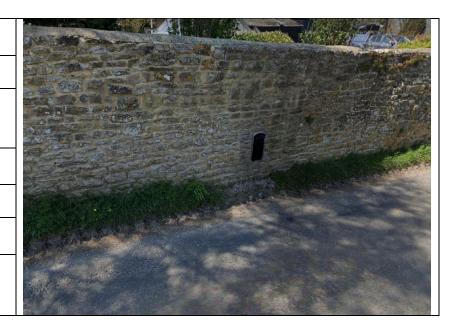
Map reference (21)

Address

External wall of The Manor in Badbury

Significance

Historic original metal post box built into a



listed wall. Painted black as not in use.



Name

Stone and Brick walls

Map reference (22)

Address

Badbury

Significance

Characterises
the hamlet of
Badbury.
The 2009
Badbury
Conservation
document
created By
Swindon
Borough Council
notes items such
as:

Prevalent use of local building materials, notably local stone and thatch; Local features and details, especially stone walls, that give the area its distinctive identity.

The northern part of the conservation area contains the greater part of the village's historic interest. The centrepiece of this area, and the village as a whole, is The Manor, a Grade II listed farmhouse







set back from the road behind a long stone wall and flanked by lime trees. The conservation are is characterised by a mix of downland cottages and late 20th century bungalws situated alongside the thoroughfare and often set behind stone walls. Many of the older buildings still retain thatched roofs. Brick chimneys, roadside stone walls and mature vegetation are features of the area. One-anda-half storeys is the traditional vernacular form. Local natural stone walls are common and the occasional use of sarsen stone and chalkstone indicate the village's location on the edge of the Wessex Downs. Natural stone boundary walls are characteristic features of the conservation are and are essential to its predominantly stone appearance.







Images from the Conservation document





Stone walls are a feature of the area.



Appendix 7: Play and recreation provision in Chiseldon Parish (2022)

Castle View Play area

129. Marketed for Under 11's. Fenced in area with swings, slide, climbing nets, see-saws and bouncing ride on items. Teenage "shelter" with basketball hoop and 2 sets of wooden goal posts (posts in the ground) for football. "Monkey bars" and climbing pods purchased for outside the fenced area – awaiting installation.

Area leased by the parish council from Swindon Borough Council for 99 years. Total area approx. 7475 msq. (.76 hectare)





Recreation Ground:

- 130. Consists of old portacabin style hall which can be hired out. Plans to replace with a modern building in next 2-5 years.
- 131. 3 Tennis Courts. Membership required to Tennis Club. One court is available for public hire for £10 per hour 240 days of the year.
- 132. 3 Football pitches senior, junior and practice area. Junior goals are left in place for informal play. Requirement to join Chiseldon Football Club to play organised matches, or formally hire a pitch from CPC.
- 133. Approx 8 pieces of adult outside gym equipment are on site.
- 134. Rest of the land green open space.
- 135. The pavilion belongs to the parish council but is only used by the Football Club.
- 136. Total area approx. 28390 sq metres. (2.83 hectare) Including all buildings and carpark.



There are plans to move the hall to a new location on site and increase its size/improve the facilities to include a larger multi-purpose hall space, install cricket batting cages, add a play area (details of equipment unknown), and community forest in the next 2-5 years.







Other facilities

- 137. There are 2 additional halls available for hire within the Parish the Memorial Hall and the Church Hall. These can be booked for organised indoor recreation but are not informal free to use spaces.
- 138. The Primary School has a field area and hardstanding play areas. Children attending the school may use these areas after school until 6.00pm.
- 139. The school hall and grounds can be hired out to private users.
- 140. There are no other formal play or recreation areas within the Parish.

Clubs and groups

141. Groups and clubs meeting in 2022:

Beavers - once a week term time

Cubs – once a week term time

Scouts – once a week term time

Rainbows – once a week term time

Brownies – once a week term time

Guides - one a week term time

Chiseldon Football Club – A variety of sessions for all age ranges across the season A variety of clubs and activities book the Calley Hall – these periodically change or are updated.