

## Middlesbrough Open Space Needs Assessment

2022



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## Introduction

### Purpose of the Open Space Needs Assessment (OSNA)

1. Open space can offer communities significant benefits by:
  - Improving the local environment
  - Enhancing residents' quality of life
  - Attracting people to live, work and invest in Middlesbrough
2. Providing high quality green spaces and a range of recreational opportunities is vital to ensuring Middlesbrough is a place where people want to live and work.
3. The Open Space Needs Assessment (OSNA) helps identify strengths and weaknesses in provision, providing direction towards where improvements should be targeted, so that there is equal access to all and to provide high-quality green and open spaces.
4. There have been three previous iterations of the OSNA, the first carried out in 2005 – which informed the 'Green Spaces Public Places' strategy 2007/12 – the second in 2012 and the third in 2017. These assessments have been used to examine the quality and value of the Borough's green space inventory and to inform policy making.
5. Since the last OSNA changes have taken place, not least the impact of COVID restrictions on the regular maintenance of facilities and the subsequent backlog and general up-keep and quality of spaces. As a result, it was considered necessary to reassess the level of provision and quality in the borough of each site, to help inform policy direction for the new Local Plan. Additionally, the Government has published its Environmental Improvement Plan 2023, in which one of its key goals is that everyone should live within 15 minutes' walk of a green or blue space.

### Methodology of the assessment

6. The assessment involved site visits to each open space and assessing each site on their quality and strategic value. The criteria used for assessing each site's quality score was based on the 'Green Flag' standard, with the value of each site being assessed on its overall contribution to green infrastructure, appearance, and level of biodiversity. The field forms used for these are shown on pages 6 to 8.
7. The previous 2017 OSNA was carried out in the winter period, whereas this assessment was conducted during the summer months, which may account for part of the difference in the recorded quality scores between the two assessments.
8. In addition, some categories/typologies of open space that were included in the 2017 OSNA have not been assessed in this OSNA. These include bowling greens, golf courses, sports & recreational centres, sports pitches, synthetic turf pitches and tennis courts, as these are either covered by the Playing Pitch Strategy and/or are subject to an entrance fee or membership fee, and as such are not freely accessible to the public.
9. Due to the inaccessibility of school sites for both the public and for assessors to undertake a full survey assessment, these have not been included in this OSNA. The assessment mainly covers those spaces that are fully and/or freely (do not have to pay an entrance fee) accessible by the public.

10. There are some open spaces included in the OSNA that are on privately owned land and/or land that is not accessible to the public (e.g., Newham Beck Valley Local Wildlife Site which partly lies within the Municipal Golf Course, and is not accessible to non-golfers). These sites have been included if they make a significant contribution to the open space network.
11. If the assessor on the day of a survey was unable to assess the site on the grounds of inaccessibility, security or safety issues, but noted that the space was still in use, then the site was given a zero or 'N/A' score. A review of some site boundaries, as identified in the previous assessment, have been amended and/or extended in this OSNA to reflect their location and coverage more accurately.

### Structure of the assessment

12. The assessment analysis is divided into three sections:
- An overview of the Borough's open space inventory - examining overall provision and type of open space available, and its accessibility to the public.
  - An assessment of quality and value at a typology level – examining the quality and value of each typology and identifying changes in each typology since the previous assessment. These typologies cover a range of different land uses including parks, local wildlife sites, allotments, play areas and green spaces.
  - An assessment of provision, quality, and value at a sub-area level – dividing the Borough into four main areas and examining the state of open space in each of these areas to target policy. These sub-areas are the North, East, South, and West zones of Middlesbrough.

### Quality Assessment Score Sheet

13. The following criteria was used to assess each site's quality. These are the same criteria used in the 2017 assessment.

Figure 1: quality assessment score sheet

A Welcoming Place <i>First impressions important and the site should look inviting</i>	Score (Out of 10)
1. Welcoming <i>Would you be encouraged to enter? On entering, would you be encouraged to stay?</i>	
2. Good and Safe Access <i>It should be easy for anybody, irrespective of ability, to get around the site. Also includes public transport links.</i>	
3. Signage where appropriate <i>Signage should be good quality, maintained and free from vandalism. Content should be useful and easy to read.</i>	
4. Equal Access for all <i>How well the site welcomes a range of visitors.</i>	
5. Parking provision as appropriate <i>What is the level of parking?</i>	
Healthy, Safe and Secure <i>Paramount that the site is safe and encourages people to live healthy lifestyles</i>	
6. Personal security in park	

Measures taken to ensure people on site are kept personally safe	
<b>7. Dog fouling</b> <i>Level of dog fouling on site, assesses whether strategies are in place to control this.</i>	
<b>8. Appropriate provision of quality facilities</b> <i>Provision and quality of the site enables users to be healthy safe and secure.</i>	
<b>Clean and Well Maintained</b> <b><i>There should be an appropriate standard of maintenance throughout the site, free of litter, fouling and waste management, as well as graffiti.</i></b>	
<b>9. Litter and Waste Management</b> <i>Is litter and waste management under control?</i>	
<b>10. Grounds maintenance, horticulture, and tree management</b> <i>Does the area have a good quality standard of horticultural maintenance across the site?</i>	
<b>11. Building infrastructure and site furniture maintenance</b> <i>Well maintained and free of graffiti, vandalism, flyposting, weeds.</i>	
<b>Landscape Features and Conservation</b> <b><i>How are natural and historic features identified on site, and what measures have been taken to enhance them?</i></b>	
<b>12. Conservation of natural features, wild fauna, flora</b> <i>How well are these types of features preserved?</i>	
<b>13. Presence of trees</b> <i>The level of trees present on site.</i>	
<b>14. Presence of footpaths and cycle ways as appropriate</b> <i>Is there presence of appropriate footpaths and cycle ways?</i>	
<b>15. Presence of appropriate site furniture</b> <i>Is there appropriate site furniture?</i>	
<b>16. Presence of appropriate planting</b> <i>Is there a good level of appropriate planting?</i>	

### Value Assessment Score Sheet

14. The value criteria of open space provision was assessed on a variety of strategic factors and included the state of equipment and facilities, safety of the site and integration with the surrounding area.

Figure 2: value assessment score sheet

<b>Contribution to Local Amenity</b>	<b>Score (Out of 10)</b>
<b>1. Views into the site</b> <i>How was the quality of views into the site? Was there a number of views in? Obstruction to sightlines?</i>	
<b>2. Views out of the site</b> <i>How was the quality of views out of the site? Was there a number of views out? Obstruction to sightlines?</i>	
<b>3. Contribution to the appearance of the neighbourhood</b> <i>Did the site add value to the appearance of the area?</i>	
<b>4. Relationship to adjacent or linked spaces</b> <i>How was the site linked to nearby spaces or sites?</i>	
<b>5. Value as a noise buffer</b> <i>What role did the site play in reducing noise from nearby sources?</i>	
<b>6. Value as a visual screen or buffer</b> <i>How important is the site as a visual screen to nearby obtrusive sites.</i>	
<b>7. Relationship to adjacent buildings</b> <i>Is the site related to adjacent buildings?</i>	

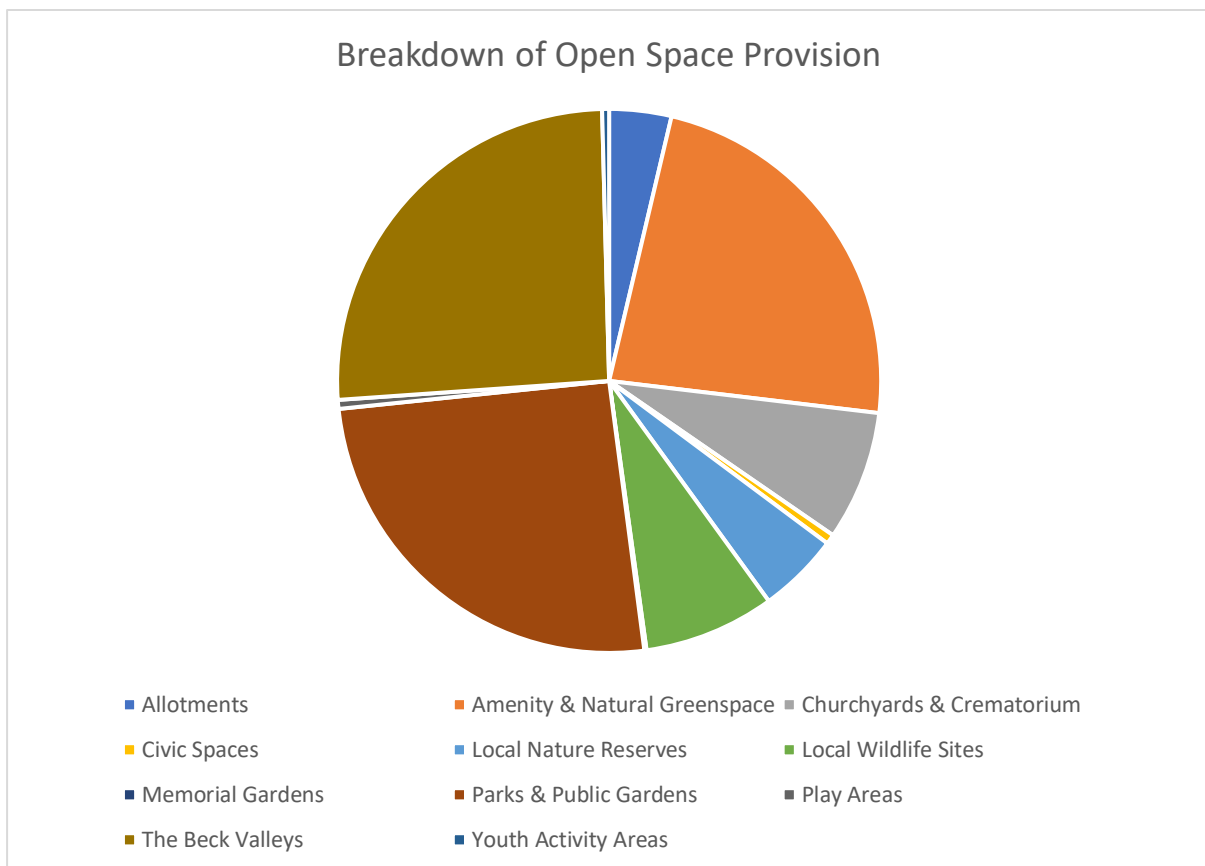
<b>Contribution to recreation and well-being</b>	
<b>8.</b> Value of informal recreation opportunities provided by the site <i>How important is the site and what is its contribution to informal recreation opportunities that could enhance wellbeing?</i>	
<b>9.</b> Value of formal recreation opportunities provided by the site <i>How important is the site and what is its contribution to formal recreation opportunities that could enhance wellbeing?</i>	
<b>10.</b> Attractiveness to people of all ages <i>Does the site appeal to all ages? Does it provide opportunity to each age group?</i>	
<b>11.</b> Value in terms of potential health benefits <i>Does the site offer opportunity for potential health benefits?</i>	
<b>12.</b> Value as a green corridor for people <i>How valuable is the site as a strip of land to provide habitats and green walkways?</i>	
<b>Wildlife and habitat value</b>	
<b>13.</b> Range of habitats on the site (including water) <i>Is there a range of actual or potential habitats on site?</i>	
<b>14.</b> Opportunities for public enjoyment of nature <i>What does the site offer towards enjoyment of nature? Is there anything obstructing this enjoyment?</i>	
<b>15.</b> Value as a green corridor for wildlife <i>How valuable is the site for wildlife? Is it the only site in the area or do others exist?</i>	
<b>Cultural and Community value</b>	
<b>16.</b> Historic or archaeological value <i>To what extent does the area hold historic value? Could the site have potential to possess archaeological value?</i>	
<b>17.</b> Social importance of the site within its neighbourhood <i>How important is the site to the community? Is it well used or held highly?</i>	
<b>Strategic Value of the site</b>	
<b>18.</b> Contribution to regeneration <i>Could the site be used to aid regeneration? Has the site helped to regenerate the area?</i>	
<b>19.</b> Contribution to enhancing a densely developed area <i>How much does the site enhance the area and its context?</i>	
<b>20.</b> Contribution to local air quality and amelioration of pollution or flooding <i>Does the site contribute to cleaner air or reduce pollution? How useful is the site in reducing the effects or flooding?</i>	
<b>Value of trees</b>	
<b>21.</b> Mix of tree types <i>Is there a range of different tree species? Is there a range of different size trees?</i>	
<b>22.</b> Well-developed ground layers of woodland <i>The presence of grass, small plants, shrubs?</i>	
<b>23.</b> Condition of trees and wooded areas <i>How well looked after are tree areas? Are they overgrown or worn?</i>	
<b>24.</b> Contribution to local air quality and amelioration of pollution or flooding <i>Does the presence of trees on site offer benefit to air quality and play a part in ameliorating pollution and reducing flood effects?</i>	

## Overview of the Borough – Provision

15. 11 categories of open space were assessed. The categories assessed and the amount of land within each category is set out below. The amount of land quoted in each category includes both public and privately owned land. Some parcels of land are included in more than one category (for example a number of play areas are located within the boundaries of parks and public gardens).

- Allotments: 27.2 ha
- Amenity & Natural Greenspace: 170.98 ha
- Churchyards & Crematorium: 56.86 ha
- Civic Spaces: 4.28 ha
- Local Nature Reserves: 35.57 ha
- Local Wildlife Sites: 57.4 ha
- Memorial Gardens: 0.95 ha
- Parks & Public Gardens: 187.39 ha
- Play Areas: 3.92 ha
- The Beck Valleys: 189.39 ha
- Youth Activity Areas: 3.05 ha

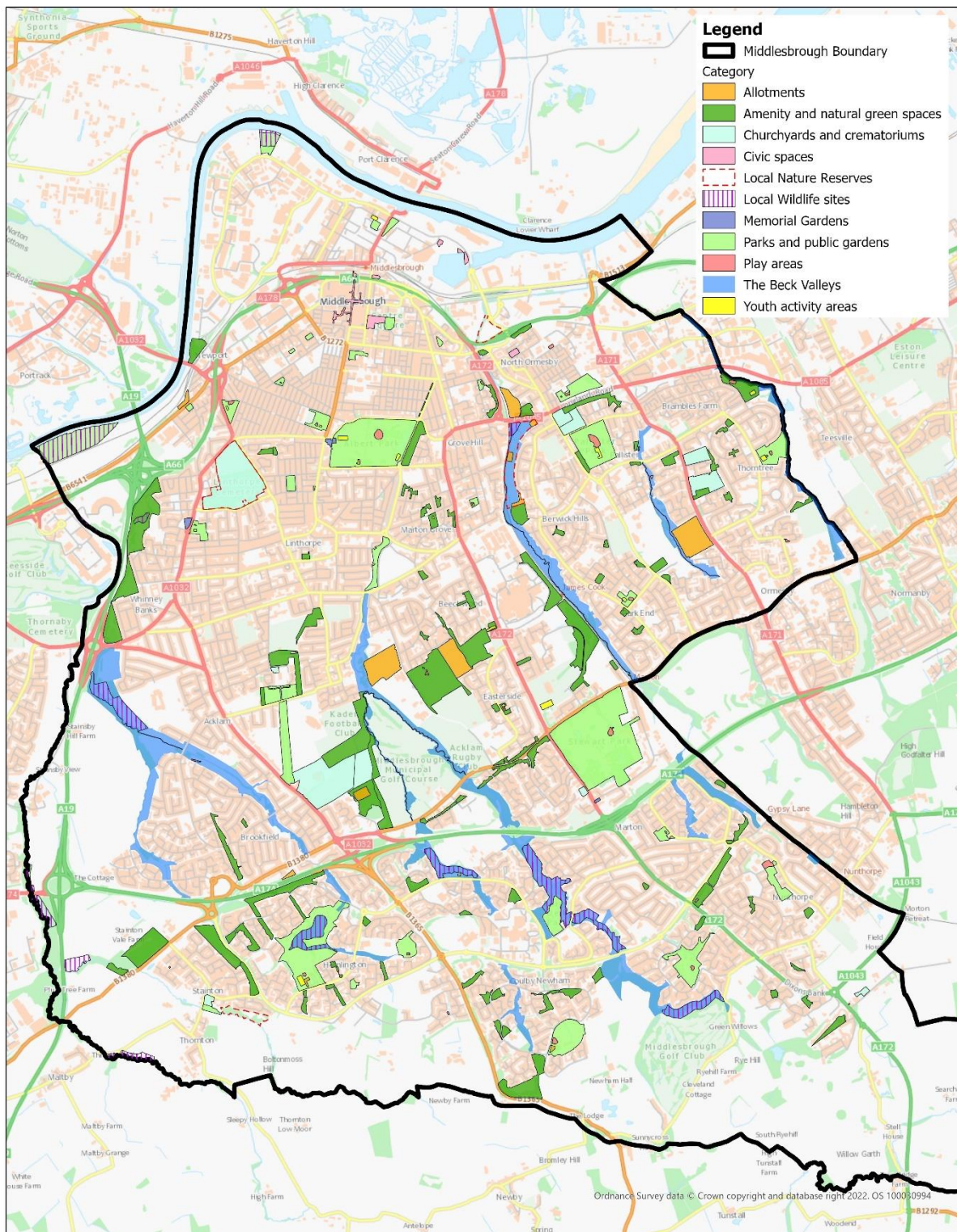
Figure 3: pie-chart of open space provision





# Overall Open Space Provision within Middlesbrough

Figure 4: plan of open space provision within Middlesbrough



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## Additions to the Open Space Inventory since the 2017 OSNA

16. The map and inventory (see Table 1) show sites and locations of 72 sites that were not assessed in 2017. The three most significant sites to be added to the inventory are Land East and South of Kader Football Club, Stainton Low Wood, and Land running alongside the A174 & Hemlington Hall Road. The Lower Ormesby Beck Local Nature Reserve (designated post 2017) is also a welcome addition to the town's overall provision of open space.

Figure 5: plan of additions to open space inventory

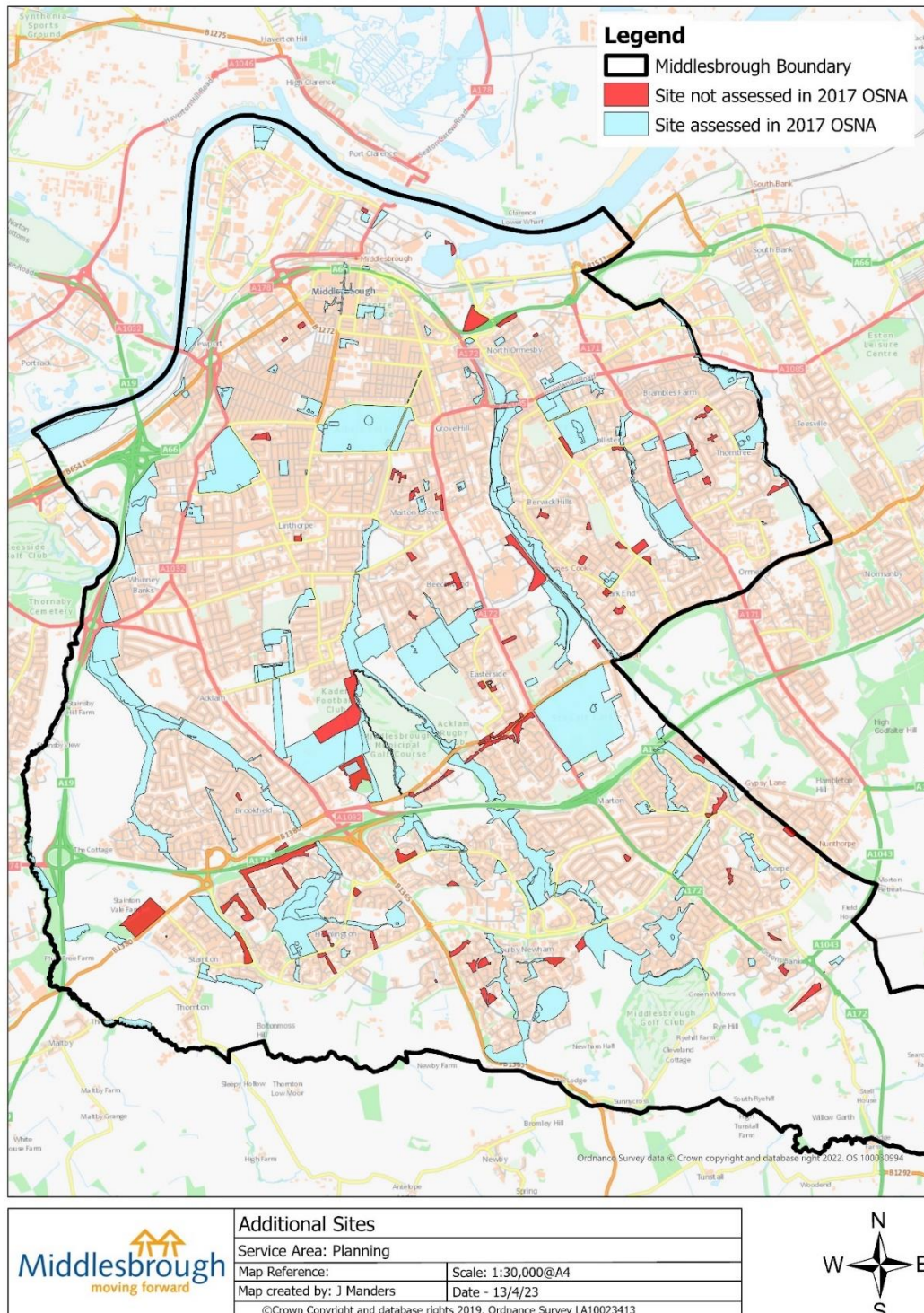


Table 1: inventory of additional sites

Inventory of Additional Sites				
Name	Category	Sub - area	Area (m2)	Reason site was added
North of Market Walk	Amenity and natural green spaces	East	8054	Site was not assessed in 2017
The Gardens	Amenity and natural green spaces	West	10598	Site was not assessed in 2017
James Cook University Hospital	Amenity and natural green spaces	West	37415	Site was not assessed in 2017
The Close	Amenity and natural green spaces	West	4905	Site was not assessed in 2017
Deepdale Avenue	Amenity and natural green spaces	West	4083	Site was not assessed in 2017
Eden Road	Amenity and natural green spaces	West	6203	Site was not assessed in 2017
Esk Street	Play areas	East	1247	Newly created since 2017
Penrith Road	Amenity and natural green spaces	East	2274	Site was not assessed in 2017
Buckthorn Grove	Amenity and natural green spaces	West	10579	Newly created since 2017
Broughton Avenue	Amenity and natural green spaces	West	4955	Site was not assessed in 2017
Southwick Avenue	Amenity and natural green spaces	West	12738	Site was not assessed in 2017
The Derby	Amenity and natural green spaces	West	31542	Site was not assessed in 2017
Low Gill View	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	3931	Newly created since 2017
Gypsy Lane	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	11580	Site was not assessed in 2017
Marton Avenue Village Green	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	3191	Site was not assessed in 2017
High Gill	The Beck Valleys	South	5963	Site was not assessed in 2017
Oval View	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	4173	Site was not assessed in 2017
Clevegate	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	4551	Site was not assessed in 2017
Crookers Hill Close	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	2962	Site was not assessed in 2017
Ayton Meadows	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	5087	Newly created since 2017
Collingham Drive	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	15304	Site was not assessed in 2017
Cambridge Avenue	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	2278	Site was not assessed in 2017

<b>The Pastures</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	7068	Site included as part of The Beck Valley in 2017
<b>Barrington Crescent</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	East	2689	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Beresford Crescent</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	East	3024	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Barsford Road</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	East	3305	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Grove Hill Community Hub</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	West	5257	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Gleaston Crescent</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	West	2538	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>West of Pallister Park</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	East	7952	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Firsby Walk</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	East	2656	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Garth Walk</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	East	3862	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Margrove Walk</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	East	3437	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Barnford Walk</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	East	4647	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Anglesey Avenue</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	East	3564	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Kirkland Walk</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	East	3675	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Southmead Avenue</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	East	4954	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>West of Southlands Centre</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	East	10673	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Dipton Green</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	West	3399	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Coulby Farm Way West</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	5927	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Coulby Farm Way East</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	6828	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>East of Coulby Farm Pub</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	5569	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>North of Rosewood School</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	5345	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Bonnygrove Way Copse</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	10065	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Harvington Crescent</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	3062	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Newham Way/Coulby Manor Way</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	13204	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>The Birches</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	9066	Site was not assessed in 2017

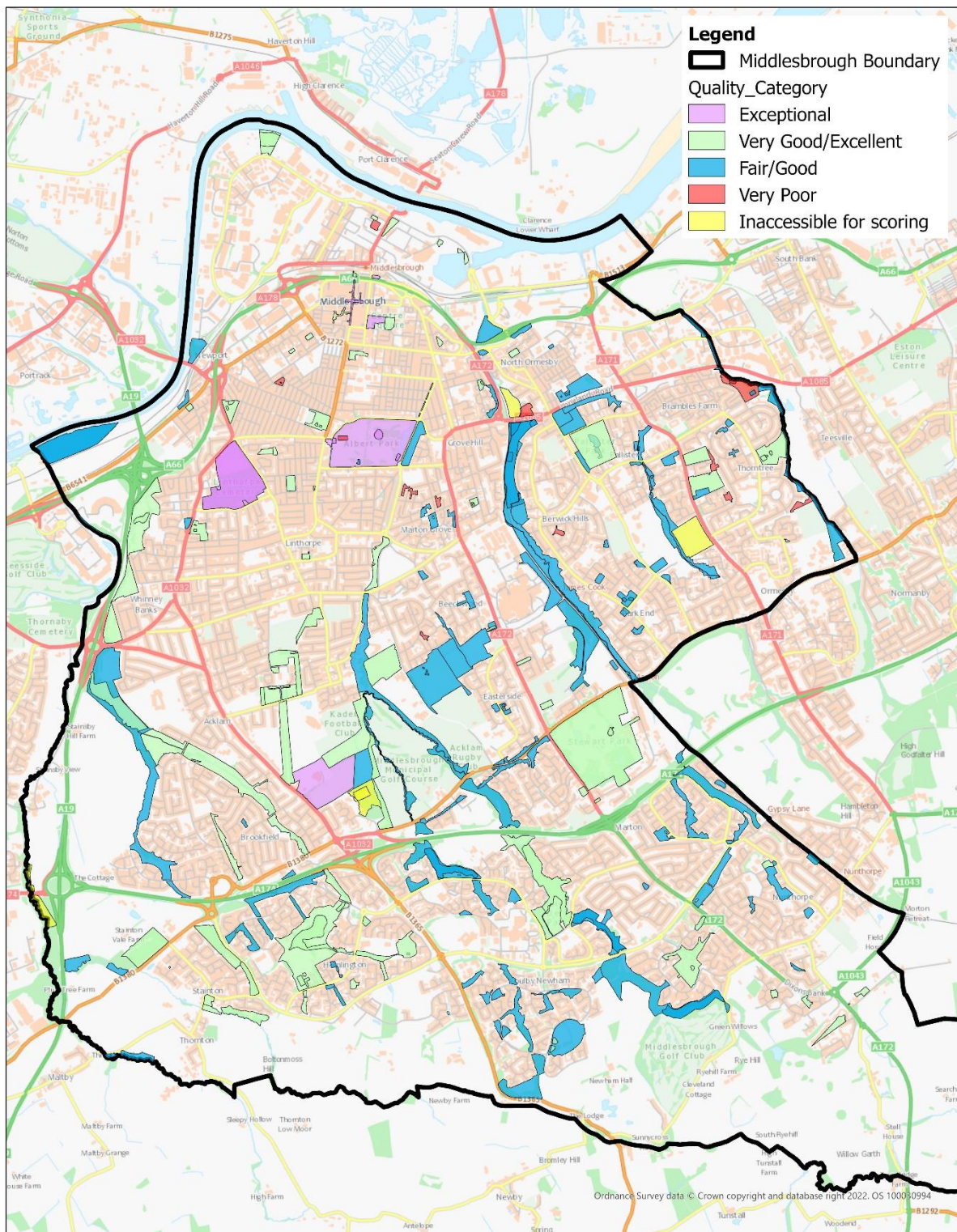
<b>Chesterwood</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	East	6543	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Maddren Way</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	West	5857	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>The Turnstile</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	West	2458	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Cherryfield Drive Gardens</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	West	3716	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Rear of St. Clares RC, Low Lane</b>	Allotments	West	3882	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Gatenby Drive (Rear of)</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	West	2201	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Rear of Cannon Park Congregational Church</b>	Parks and public gardens	North	1520	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Eshwood Square</b>	Parks and public gardens	North	2804	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Fonteyn Court</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	7685	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Dodford Road</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	3796	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Between Cass House &amp; Aviemore Roads</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	3821	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Stainton Low Wood</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	70220	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Ravensgill Road</b>	Play areas	South	478	Newly created since 2017
<b>Clover Field Road</b>	Play areas	South	204	Newly created since 2017
<b>The Spinney, corner of Hemlington Road &amp; Vernon Court, Stainton</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	16037	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Corner of Commercial Street &amp; North Street</b>	Youth activity areas	North	1930	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Between Earls Court Road &amp; Boscombe Gardens</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	5323	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Between Northleach Drive &amp; The Oaks</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	6520	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Temenos - Priestman Road</b>	Civic spaces	North	4403	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Running alongside the A174 &amp; Hemlington Hall Road</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	55201	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Lower Ormesby Beck</b>	Local Nature Reserves	North	29652	Local Nature Reserve designated post 2017
<b>Land East and South of Kader Football Club</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	West	90112	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Castlewood</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	East	4070	Site was not assessed in 2017

<b>Glentworth</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	East	7955	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Hemlington Hall Road/Briscoe Way</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	South	21322	Site was not assessed in 2017
<b>Nature's World</b>	Amenity and natural green spaces	West	50304	Site was not assessed in 2017



# Quality Assessment Results Map

Figure 6: plan of quality assessment



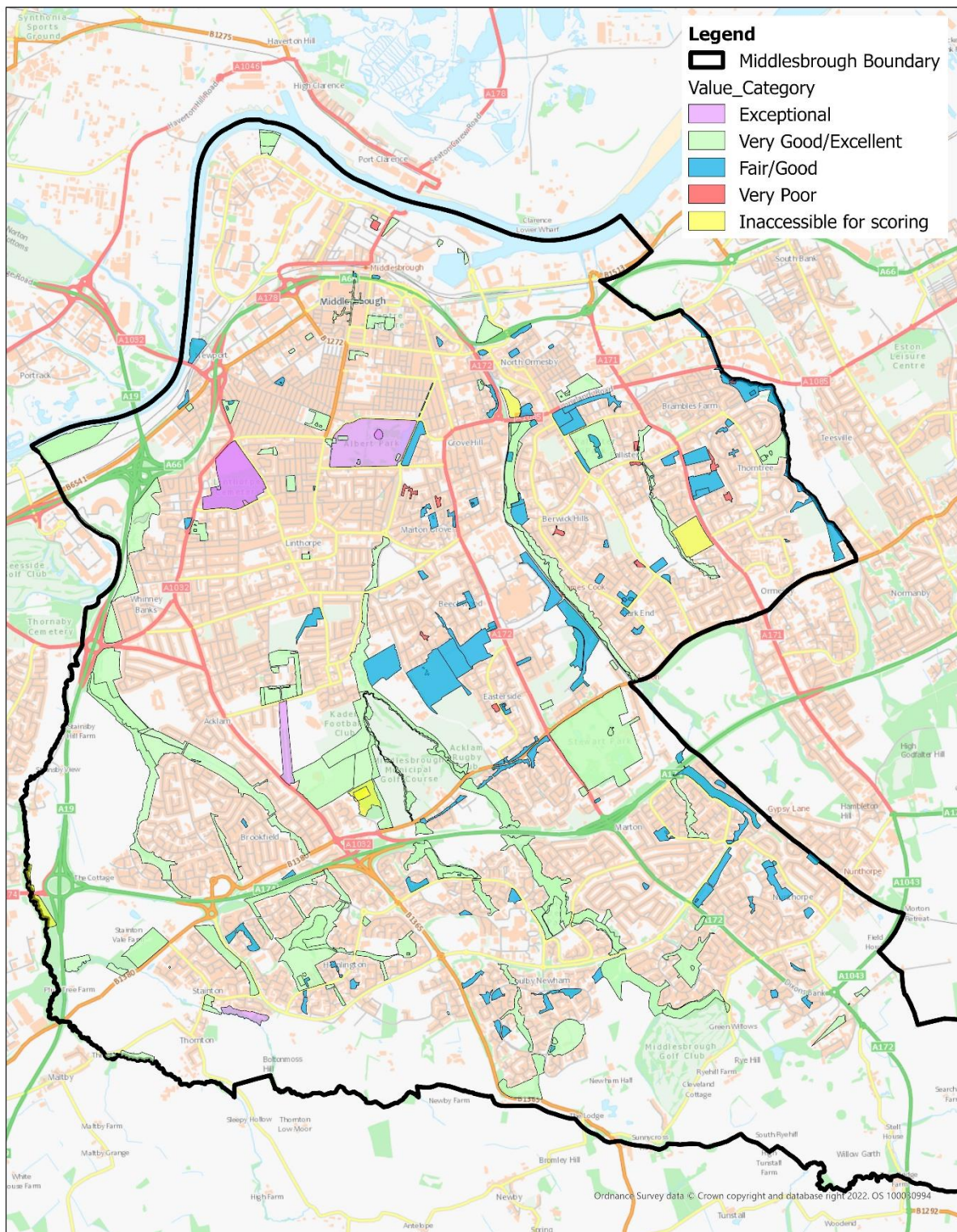
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# Value Assessment Results Map

Figure 7: plan of value assessment



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## Open Space Categories

### Allotment Sites

#### 17. Summary of results:

- Number of sites: 11
- Area: 27.2 ha
- Average quality: 69%
- Average Value: 65%
- Reduction in average quality since 2017: 7%
- Reduction in average value since 2017: 3%
- One additional site included in 2022, the allotments to rear of St Clare Church, which had not been assessed in 2017.
- One site, Newham Grange Country Farm allotment, that was assessed in 2017 was not included in 2022 as it is a pocket allotment.



Table 2: Allotments quality and value scores

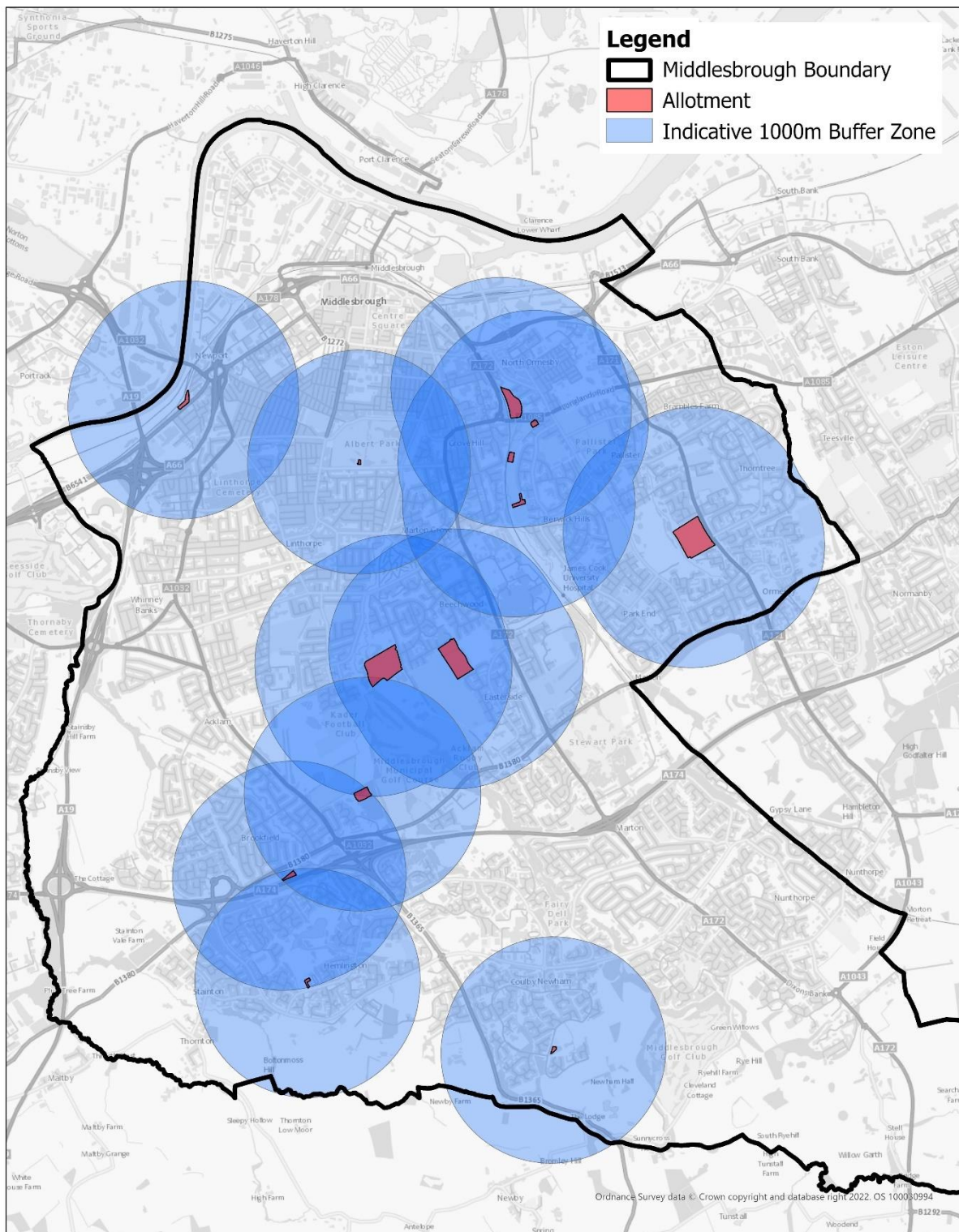
Site	Sub-area	Quality score	Quality grade	Value score	Value grade
Albert Park community growing area	West	69%	Fair/Good	89%	Very Good/Excellent
Beechwood	West	63%	Fair/Good	59%	Fair/Good
Berwick Hills allotments and edible forest garden	East	61%	Fair/Good	58%	Fair/Good
Hemlington Recreation Centre	South	77%	Very Good/Excellent	62%	Fair/Good
Letitia Street	North	65%	Fair/Good	58%	Fair/Good
Lingfield	South	75%	Very Good/Excellent	67%	Fair/Good
Natures World community growing area	West	-	-	-	-
Rear of St Clares RC, Low Lane	West	69%	Fair/Good	61%	Fair/Good
Saltersgill	West	72%	Very Good/Excellent	65%	Fair/Good
Town Farm	East	-	-	-	-
White House	East	-	-	-	-






18. The map below shows the location of the allotment sites with an indicative 1000m accessibility buffer zone. Accessibility to allotment sites is significantly limited in the far north, south-east, and part of the western sub-area of the Borough.
  
19. The assessment did not include small 'pocket' allotments as the Council does not currently have a definitive list of these sites. Such sites may assist in filling the above identified gaps in provision.

Figure 8: allotments location plan



	<b>Allotments</b>	
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## Amenity and Natural Green Spaces

### 20. Summary of results:

- Number of sites: 94
- Area: 170.98 ha
- Average quality: 63%
- Average Value: 63%
- Reduction in average quality since 2017: 7%
- Reduction in average value since 2017: 3%
- 62 additional sites included in 2022
- Two sites that were assessed in 2017 have been excluded - Lambton Road which is now a pocket allotment and educational/community facility; and, Purfleet Avenue which has planning permission for residential development.
- South-West Ironmasters Park – the site area has significantly reduced since 2017 due to development for employment uses.
- Stainton Way – the site has been restricted to land south of Stainton Way (whereas in 2017 the narrow strip of land to the north was included, the character of which, is considered to be land adjacent the highway rather than amenity open space).



Table 3: Amenity & natural green space quality and value scores

Site	Sub-area	Quality score	Quality grade	Value score	Value grade
<b>3 Cs Open Space</b>	East	60%	Fair/Good	59%	Fair/Good
<b>Anglesey Avenue</b>	East	60%	Fair/Good	61%	Fair/Good
<b>Ayton Meadows</b>	South	71%	Very Good/Excellent	67%	Fair/Good
<b>Barnforth Walk</b>	East	59%	Fair/Good	55%	Fair/Good
<b>Barrington Crescent</b>	East	55%	Fair/Good	52%	Fair/Good



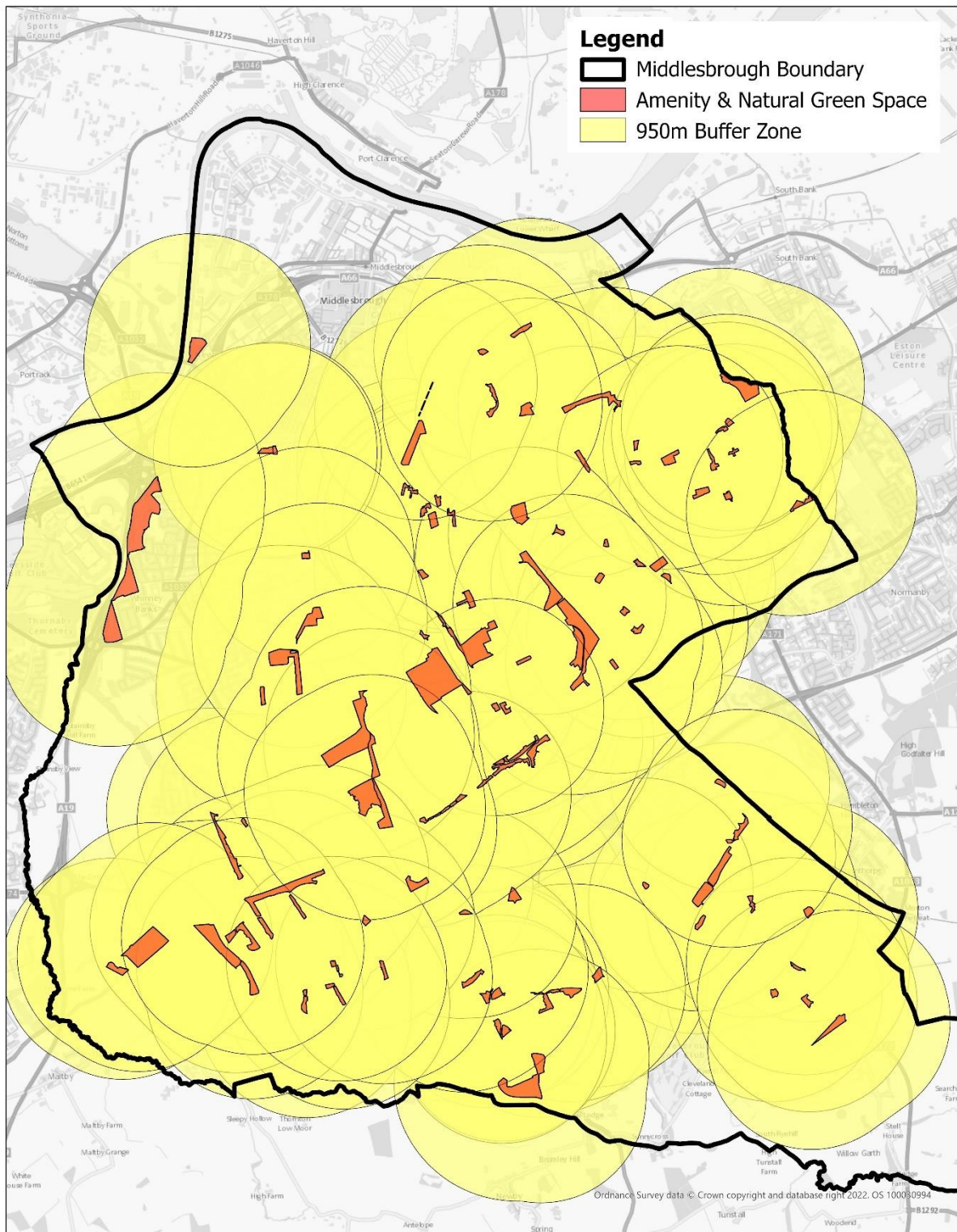
Beechwood	West	57%	Fair/Good	64%	Fair/Good
Barsford Road	East	59%	Fair/Good	53%	Fair/Good
Beresford Crescent	East	59%	Fair/Good	53%	Fair/Good
Bishopton Road	West	54%	Fair/Good	54%	Fair/Good
Between Cass House and Aviemore Road	South	77%	Very Good/Excellent	79%	Very Good/Excellent
Between Earls Court Road and Boscombe Gardens	South	78%	Very Good/Excellent	78%	Very Good/Excellent
Between Northleach Drive and The Oaks	South	67%	Fair/Good	77%	Very Good/Excellent
Bonnygrove Way Copse	South	64%	Fair/Good	68%	Fair/Good
Brinewells Gardens	North	68%	Fair/Good	62%	Fair/Good
Broughton Avenue	West	62%	Fair/Good	51%	Fair/Good
Buckthorn Grove	West	62%	Fair/Good	57%	Fair/Good
Cambridge Avenue	South	66%	Fair/Good	65%	Fair/Good
Castlewood	East	47%	Very Poor	42%	Very Poor
Charlbury Road	East	52%	Fair/Good	41%	Very Poor
Cherryfield Drive Gardens	West	88%	Very Good/Excellent	84%	Very Good/Excellent
Chesterwood	East	46%	Very Poor	43%	Very Poor
Clairville Common	West	64%	Fair/Good	65%	Fair/Good
Clevegata	South	65%	Fair/Good	63%	Fair/Good
Collingham Drive	South	74%	Very Good/Excellent	74%	Very Good/Excellent
Coulby Farm Way East	South	55%	Fair/Good	60%	Fair/Good
Coulby Farm Way West	South	58%	Fair/Good	57%	Fair/Good
Coulby Newham Pond	South	59%	Fair/Good	65%	Fair/Good
Crookers Hill Close	South	68%	Fair/Good	64%	Fair/Good
Crossfell Road	East	57%	Fair/Good	62%	Fair/Good
Deepdale Avenue	West	56%	Fair/Good	57%	Fair/Good
Dipton Green	West	51%	Fair/Good	47%	Very Poor
Dodford Road	South	57%	Fair/Good	60%	Fair/Good
East of Coulby Farm Pub	South	61%	Fair/Good	60%	Fair/Good
Eastwood and Westwood	West	85%	Very Good/Excellent	82%	Very Good/Excellent
Eden Road	West	47%	Very Poor	35%	Very Poor
Firsby Walk	East	53%	Fair/Good	47%	Very Poor
Fonteyn Court	South	54%	Fair/Good	73%	Very Good/Excellent
Fordyce Road	South	73%	Very Good/Excellent	68%	Fair/Good
Garth Walk	East	42%	Very Poor	41%	Very Poor
Gatenby Drive (rear of)	West	66%	Fair/Good	66%	Fair/Good
Gleaston Crescent	West	45%	Very Poor	44%	Very Poor
Glentworth	East	46%	Very Poor	55%	Fair/Good
Greytowers Village Green	South	78%	Very Good/Excellent	68%	Fair/Good
Grove Hill Community Hub	West	57%	Fair/Good	56%	Fair/Good
Gypsy Lane	South	65%	Fair/Good	61%	Fair/Good
Harvington Crescent	South	60%	Fair/Good	60%	Fair/Good
Hemlington Hall Road/Briscoe Way	South	59%	Fair/Good	67%	Fair/Good
Hoskins Way	East	57%	Fair/Good	61%	Fair/Good
James Cook University Hospital	West	57%	Fair/Good	67%	Fair/Good


<b>Kirkland Walk</b>	East	57%	Fair/Good	59%	Fair/Good
<b>Land East and South of Kader Football Club</b>	West	78%	Very Good/Excellent	77%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Lingfield Ash</b>	South	65%	Fair/Good	69%	Fair/Good
<b>Longlands Road</b>	East	64%	Fair/Good	65%	Fair/Good
<b>Low Gill View</b>	South	69%	Fair/Good	61%	Fair/Good
<b>Maddren Way</b>	West	82%	Very Good/Excellent	73%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Maelor's Wood (and High Rifts Field)</b>	South	79%	Very Good/Excellent	87%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Margaret Street</b>	East	54%	Fair/Good	53%	Fair/Good
<b>Margrove Walk</b>	East	57%	Fair/Good	44%	Very Poor
<b>Marton Avenue Village Green</b>	South	62%	Fair/Good	71%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Marton Grove Road</b>	West	40%	Very Poor	37%	Very Poor
<b>Millbrook Avenue</b>	East	47%	Very Poor	55%	Fair/Good
<b>Millfield Road</b>	East	46%	Very Poor	64%	Fair/Good
<b>Muirfield</b>	South	59%	Fair/Good	60%	Fair/Good
<b>Nature's World</b>	West	-	-	-	-
<b>Newham Way/Coulby Manor Way</b>	South	66%	Fair/Good	70%	Fair/Good
<b>North of Market Walk</b>	East	57%	Fair/Good	57%	Fair/Good
<b>North of Rosewood School</b>	South	62%	Fair/Good	67%	Fair/Good
<b>Oval View</b>	South	74%	Very Good/Excellent	69%	Fair/Good
<b>Park Vale Road</b>	North	74%	Very Good/Excellent	69%	Fair/Good
<b>Penrith Road</b>	East	56%	Fair/Good	55%	Fair/Good
<b>Plum Tree Farm – Low Lane</b>	South	65%	Fair/Good	83%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Prissick Base</b>	South	66%	Fair/Good	70%	Fair/Good
<b>Prospect (NALGO)</b>	West	71%	Very Good/Excellent	70%	Fair/Good
<b>Rear of Topcliffe Drive</b>	West	78%	Very Good/Excellent	78%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Running alongside the A174 and Hemlington Hall Road</b>	South	67%	Fair/Good	77%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Saltersgill</b>	West	61%	Fair/Good	69%	Fair/Good
<b>Southmead Avenue</b>	East	58%	Fair/Good	55%	Fair/Good
<b>Southwick Avenue</b>	West	65%	Fair/Good	65%	Fair/Good
<b>South West Ironmasters' Park</b>	North	60%	Fair/Good	67%	Fair/Good
<b>Southwood</b>	South	61%	Fair/Good	77%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Stainton Way</b>	South	64%	Fair/Good	65%	Fair/Good
<b>Stainton Low Wood</b>	South	76%	Very Good/Excellent	89%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Sudbury Pond</b>	South	71%	Very Good/Excellent	71%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>The Birches</b>	South	55%	Fair/Good	56%	Fair/Good
<b>The Close</b>	West	58%	Fair/Good	57%	Fair/Good
<b>The Derby</b>	West	67%	Fair/Good	63%	Fair/Good
<b>The Gardens</b>	West	64%	Fair/Good	56%	Fair/Good
<b>The Pastures</b>	South	51%	Fair/Good	62%	Fair/Good

<b>The Spinney, corner of Hemlington Road and Vernon Court</b>	South	79%	Very Good/Excellent	78%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>The Turnstile</b>	West	80%	Very Good/Excellent	78%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Walkway and Cycleway West of Golf Course</b>	West	82%	Very Good/Excellent	82%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>West of Pallister Park</b>	East	69%	Fair/Good	59%	Fair/Good
<b>West of Southlands Centre</b>	East	53%	Fair/Good	51%	Fair/Good
<b>Whinney Banks</b>	North	76%	Very Good/Excellent	80%	Very Good/Excellent

21. The map below shows the location of the Amenity & Natural Green Spaces with 950m accessibility buffer zones. Apart from the far north of the town, accessibility to Amenity and Natural Green Spaces is very good with no significant gaps.

Figure 9: amenity and natural green space location plan



	<b>Amenity &amp; Natural Green Spaces</b>	
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## Cemeteries and Crematoriums

### 22. Summary of results:

- Number of sites: 11
- Area: 56.86 ha
- Average quality: 78%
- Average value: 74%
- Reduction in average quality since 2017: 4%
- Increase in average value since 2017: 1%
- One site has been excluded since the 2017 assessment – Thorntree Roman Catholic cemetery extension, as it has been developed for housing.

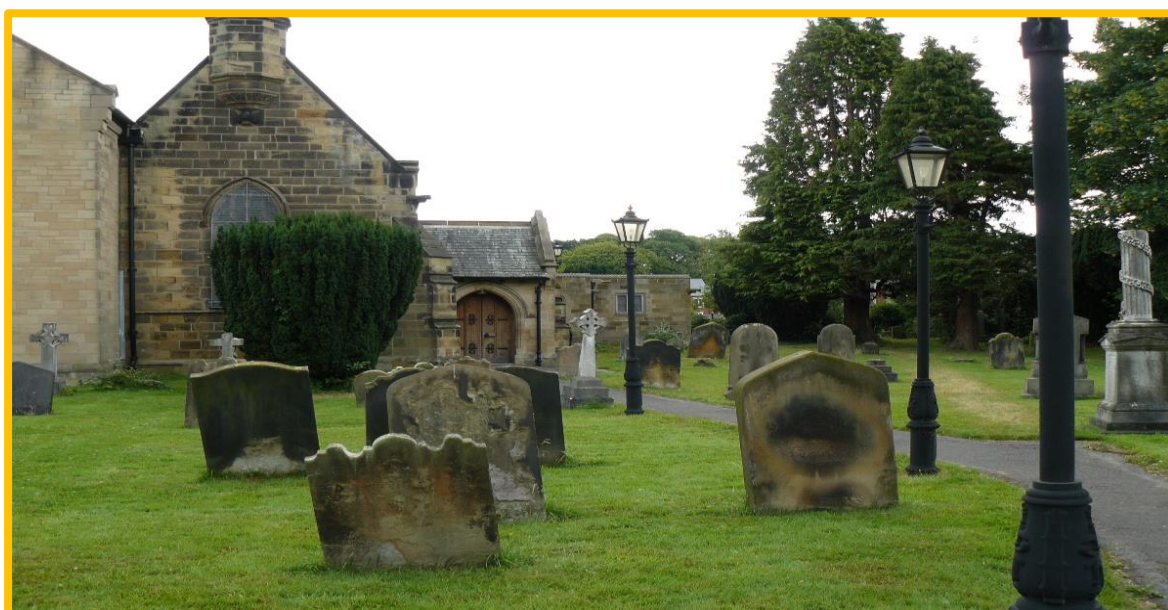
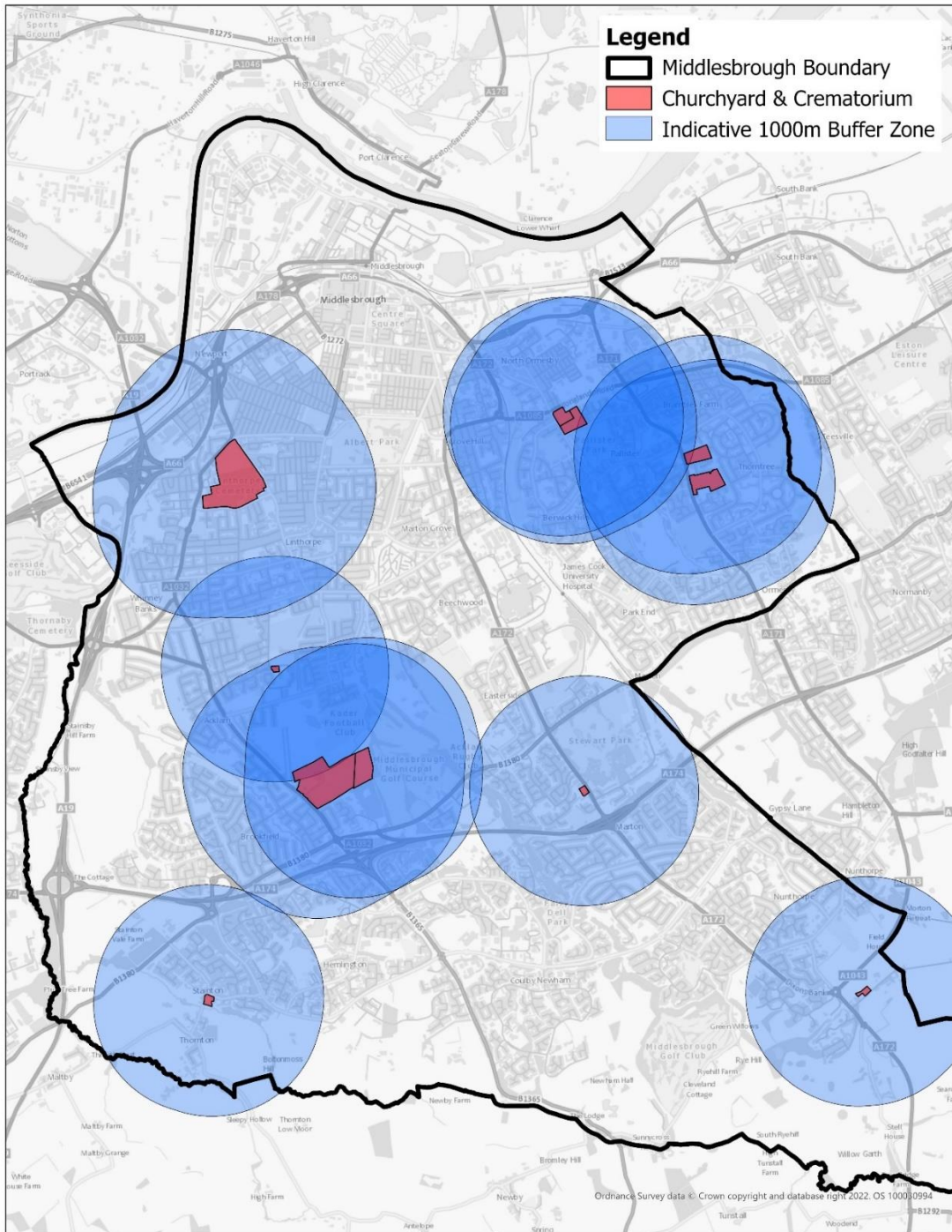


Table 4: Cemeteries and crematoriums quality and value scores

Site	Sub-area	Quality score	Quality grade	Value score	Value grade
Acklam and Teesside Cemetery	West	97%	Exceptional	76%	Very Good/Excellent
Acklam and Teesside Cemetery (land for future extension)	West	53%	Fair/Good	79%	Very Good/Excellent
Linthorpe Cemetery	West	97%	Exceptional	91%	Exceptional
North Ormesby Cemetery	East	67%	Fair/Good	67%	Fair/Good
St Cuthbert's Church Cemetery	South	79%	Very Good/Excellent	72%	Very Good/Excellent
St Joseph's Cemetery	East	65%	Fair/Good	66%	Fair/Good
St Mary's Church Cemetery, Acklam	West	90%	Very Good/Excellent	76%	Very Good/Excellent
St Mary's Church, Nunthorpe	South	84%	Very Good/Excellent	79%	Very Good/Excellent
St Peters and St Pauls	South	83%	Very Good/Excellent	79%	Very Good/Excellent
Thorntree Cemetery	East	75%	Very Good/Excellent	63%	Fair/Good
Thorntree RC Cemetery	East	71%	Very Good/Excellent	64%	Fair/Good

23. The map below shows the location of the cemeteries and crematorium sites with an indicative 1000m accessibility buffer zone.

Figure 10: churchyards and crematorium location plan



	<b>Churchyards &amp; Crematoriums</b>	
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## Civic Spaces

### 24. Summary of results:

- Number of sites 8
- Area: 4.28 ha
- Average quality: 84%
- Average value: 71%
- Increase in average quality since 2017: 2%
- Increase in average value since 2017: 5%
- Two additional sites included since 2017 assessment - Dock Clock Tower corner of Dock Street and Priestman Road; and, Temenos – Priestman Road
- Exchange Square has recently been refurbished.

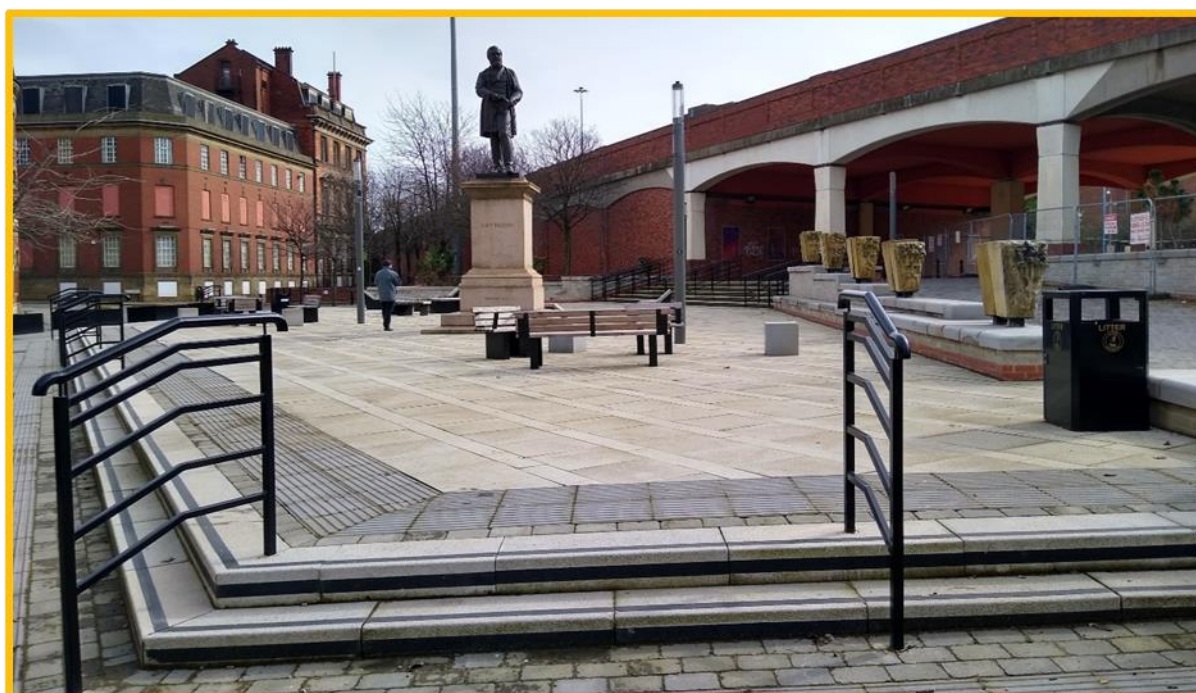


Table 5: civic spaces quality and value scores

Site	Sub-area	Quality score	Quality grade	Value score	Value grade
Captain Cook's Square	North	87%	Very Good/Excellent	74%	Very Good/Excellent
Central Gardens fronting Mima	North	93%	Exceptional	86%	Very Good/Excellent
Dock Clock Tower corner of Dock Street and Priestman Road	North	79%	Very Good/Excellent	73%	Very Good/Excellent
Dundas Street and Pedestrianised Town Centre	North	91%	Exceptional	77%	Very Good/Excellent
Exchange Square	North	92%	Exceptional	66%	Fair/Good
North Ormesby Market Place	East	75%	Very Good/Excellent	64%	Fair/Good
Temenos – Priestman Road	North	79%	Very Good/Excellent	75%	Very Good/Excellent
Zetland Square	North	77%	Very Good/Excellent	52%	Fair/Good

25. The map below shows the location of the civic spaces with an indicative 1000m accessibility buffer zone. The civic spaces are primarily located within and adjacent to the town centre.

Figure 11: civic space location plan





## Local Nature Reserves

### 26. Summary of results:

- Number of sites: 4
- Area: 35.57 ha
- Average quality: 79%
- Average value: 84%
- Decrease in average quality since 2017: 8%
- Decrease in average value since 2017: 3%
- One additional site has been designated since 2017 – Lower Ormesby Beck (Middle Marsh).

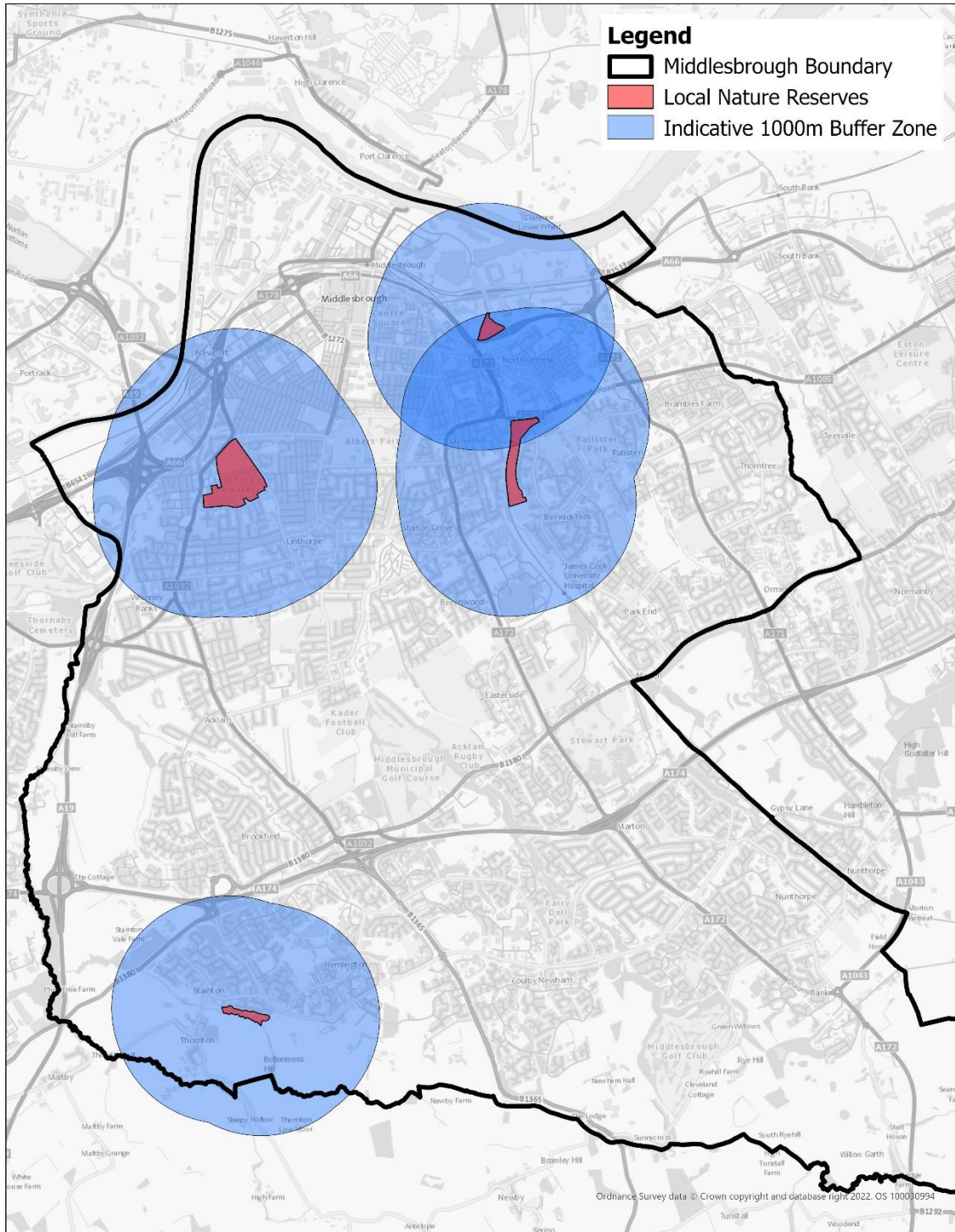



Table 6: Local nature reserves quality and value scores

Site	Sub-area	Quality score	Quality grade	Value score	Value grade
Berwick Hills	East	61%	Fair/Good	74%	Very Good/Excellent
Linthorpe Cemetery	West	98%	Exceptional	94%	Exceptional
Lower Ormesby Beck	North	69%	Fair/Good	77%	Very Good/Excellent
Stainton Quarry	South	88%	Very Good/Excellent	92%	Exceptional

27. The map below shows the location of Local Nature Reserves with an indicative 1000m accessibility buffer zone.

Figure 12: local nature reserves location plan



	Local Nature Reserves	
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## Local Wildlife Sites

### 28. Summary of results:

- Number of sites: 16
- Area: 57.4 ha
- Average quality score: 68%
- Average value score: 80%
- Decrease in average quality since 2017: 4%
- Decrease in average value since 2017: 4%
- Three sites included in 2017, Thorntree Plantation, Plum Tree Farm – Low Lane, and Grey Towers have been excluded in 2022 as they were assessed by the Tees Valley Wildlife Trust in 2018 as no longer meeting the criteria for Local Wildlife Sites (LWS).
- Two sites, Hemlington Lake and Maze Park, which were not included as LWS in the 2017 assessment have been included in 2022.



Table 7: Local wildlife sites quality and value scores

Site	Sub-area	Quality score	Quality grade	Value score	Value grade
Bluebell Beck	West	76%	Very Good/Excellent	80%	Very Good/Excellent
Hemlington Lake	South	81%	Very Good/Excellent	88%	Very Good/Excellent
Maltby Beck and Throstle Nest	South	67%	Fair/Good	83%	Very Good/Excellent
Marton West Beck and Anderson's Field	South	63%	Fair/Good	80%	Very Good/Excellent
Marton West Beck - Bonnygrove	South	66%	Fair/Good	81%	Very Good/Excellent

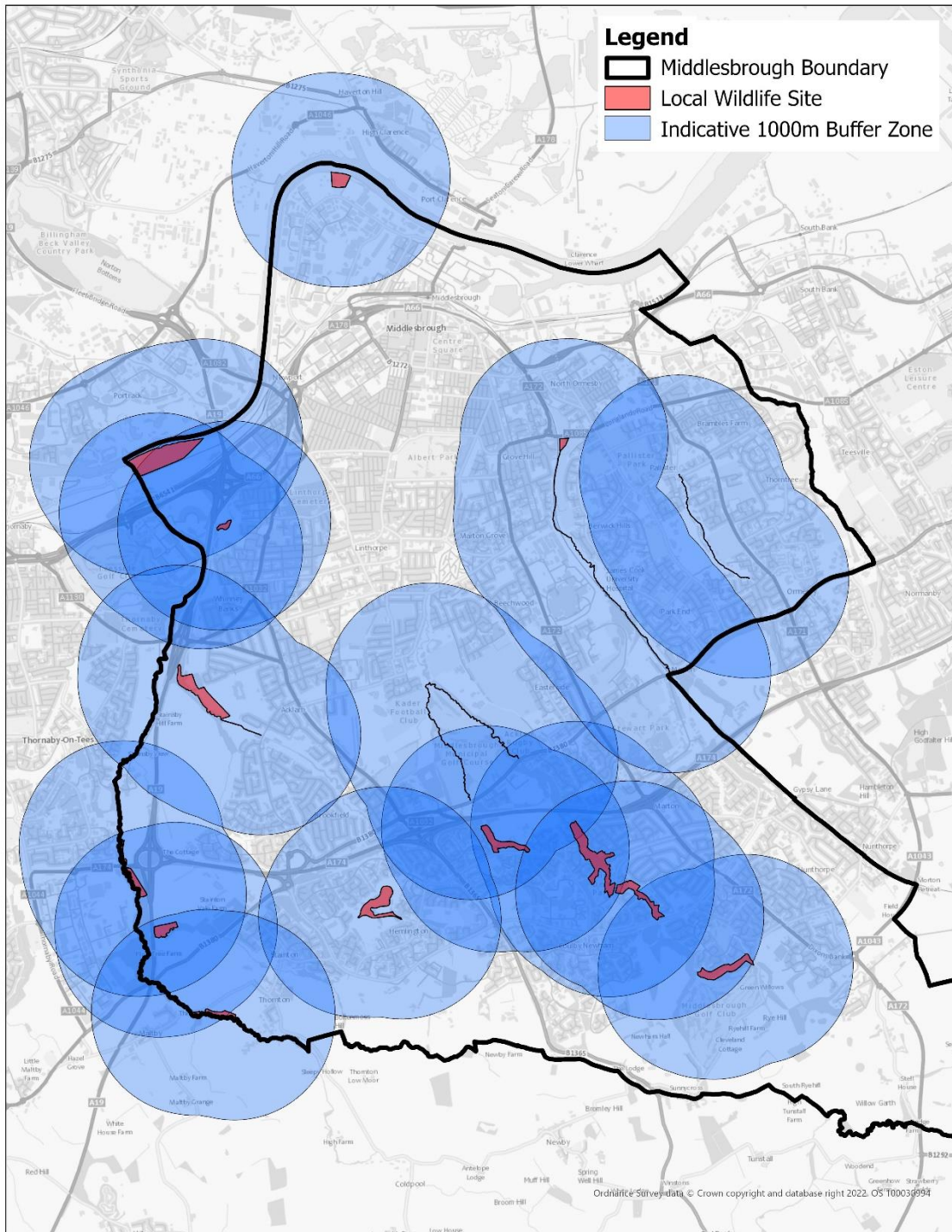
<b>Marton West Beck – Fairy Dell</b>	South	79%	Very Good/Excellent	88%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Marton West Beck – Newham Beck</b>	West	59%	Fair/Good	78%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Maze Park</b>	North	64%	Fair/Good	73%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Middle Beck</b>	East	57%	Fair/Good	72%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Newham Beck</b>	South	60%	Fair/Good	80%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Old River Tees</b>	North	64%	Fair/Good	74%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Ormesby Beck</b>	East	59%	Fair/Good	73%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Plum Tree Farm</b>	South	65%	Fair/Good	81%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Stainsby Wood</b>	South / West	-	-	-	-
<b>Teessaurus Park</b>	North	82%	Very Good/Excellent	80%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Whinney Banks Pond</b>	North	74%	Very Good/Excellent	92%	Exceptional




29. The map below shows the location of the Local Wildlife Sites with an indicative 1000m accessibility buffer zone.



Figure 13: local wildlife sites location plan



	<b>Local Wildlife Sites</b>	
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## Memorial Gardens

### 30. Summary of results:

- Number of sites: 5
- Area: 0.95 ha
- Average quality score: 79%
- Average value score: 65%
- Decrease in average quality since 2017: 1%
- No change in average value since 2017
- North Ormesby Market Place Memorial Garden that was included in 2017 assessment has been excluded in 2022 as it does not have a garden.



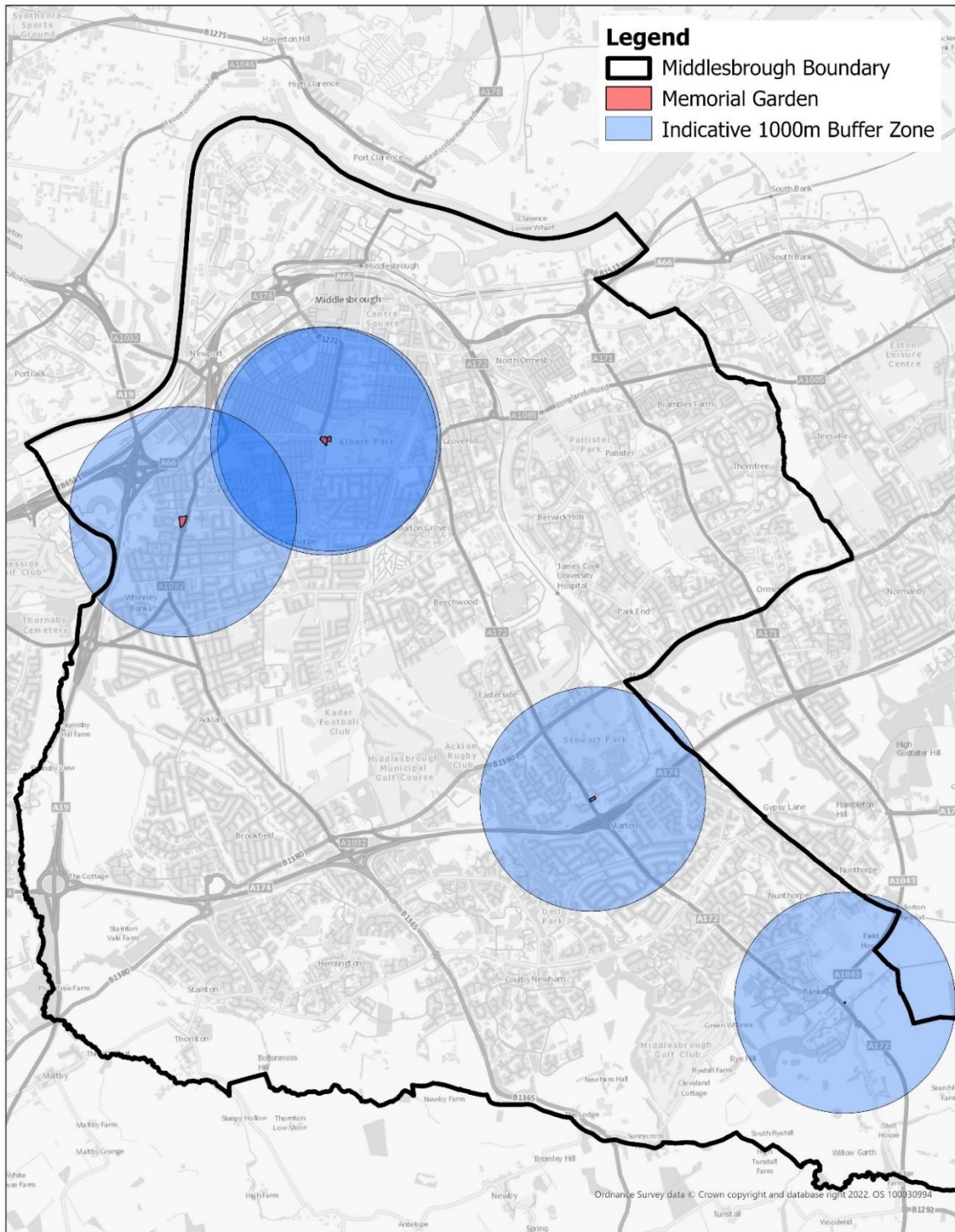
Table 8: memorial gardens quality and value scores


Site	Sub-area	Quality score	Quality grade	Value score	Value grade
Albert Park	West	96%	Exceptional	76%	Very Good/Excellent
Linthorpe Cenotaph	West	92%	Exceptional	72%	Very Good/Excellent
Marton Memorial Garden	South	78%	Very Good/Excellent	65%	Fair/Good
Nunthorpe War Memorial	South	65%	Fair/Good	56%	Fair/Good
William Thomas Garden	North	63%	Fair/Good	58%	Fair/Good



31. The map below shows the location of the Memorial Garden sites with an indicative 1000m accessibility buffer zone.

Figure 14: memorial gardens location plan



	<b>Memorial Gardens</b>	
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## Parks and Public Gardens

### 32. Summary of results:

- Number of sites: 36
- Area: 187.39 ha
- Average quality score: 74%
- Average value score: 76%
- Decrease in average quality since 2017: 2%
- Increase in average value since 2017: 2%
- Two additional sites included since 2017 assessment: Rear of Cannon Park Congregational Church and Eshwood Square.
- Newham Grange Leisure Farm that was included in the 2017 assessment has been excluded in 2022 as it is subject to an entrance fee.



Table 9: parks and public gardens quality and value scores

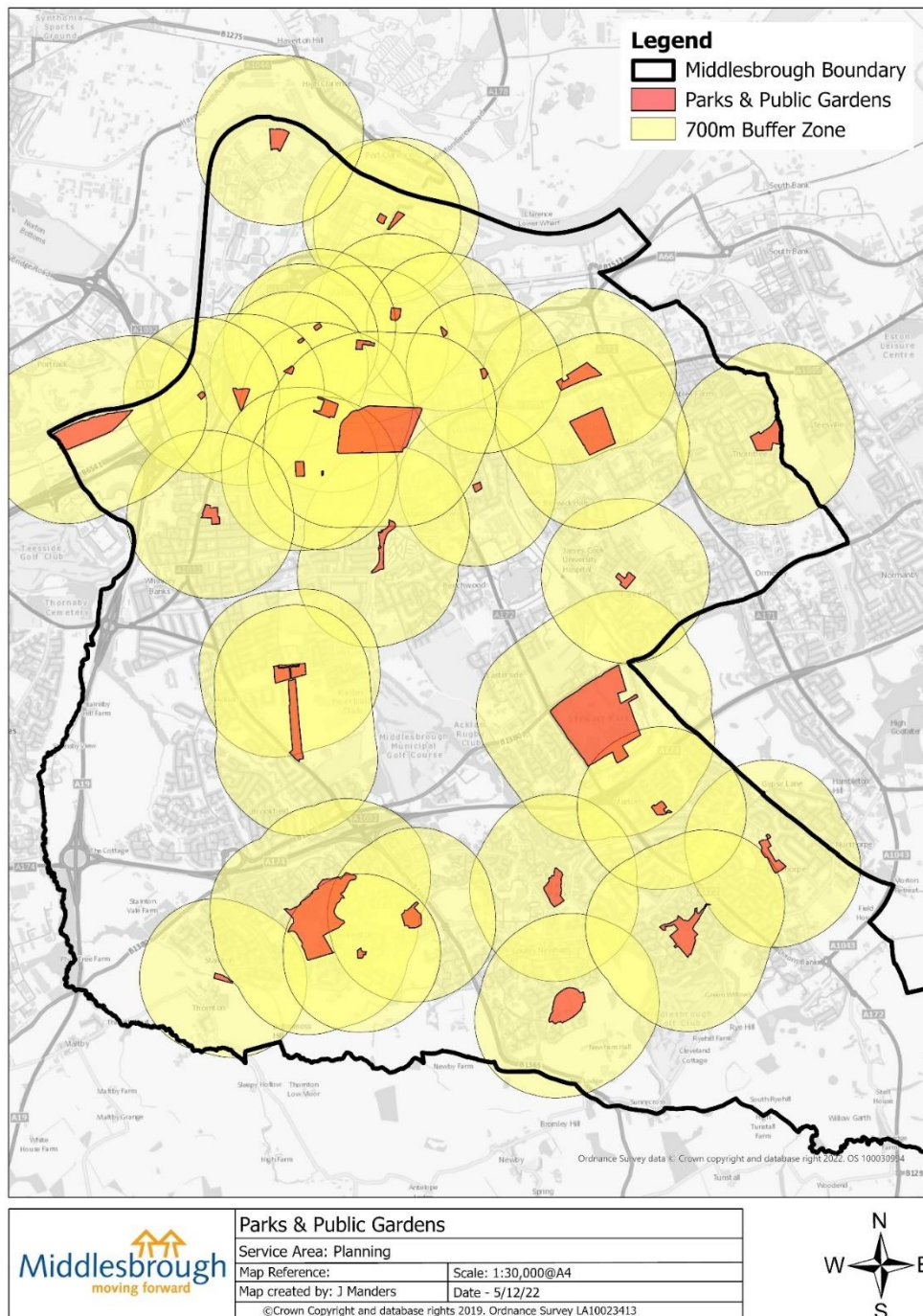
Site	Sub-area	Quality score	Quality grade	Value score	Value grade
Acklam Hall Lawns	West	88%	Very Good/Excellent	90%	Very Good/Excellent
Albert Park	West	99%	Exceptional	98%	Exceptional
Avenue of Trees, Acklam	West	89%	Very Good/Excellent	95%	Exceptional
Ayresome Gardens	North	89%	Very Good/Excellent	79%	Very Good/Excellent
Bonnygrove Park	South	74%	Very Good/Excellent	74%	Very Good/Excellent
Brabourne Gardens	South	77%	Very Good/Excellent	76%	Very Good/Excellent
Carter Park	North	73%	Very Good/Excellent	72%	Very Good/Excellent

<b>Central Gardens – The Lake</b>	North	75%	Very Good/Excellent	86%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Cypress Road</b>	South	68%	Fair/Good	70%	Fair/Good
<b>Enderby Gardens</b>	South	71%	Very Good/Excellent	70%	Fair/Good
<b>Eshwood Square</b>	North	79%	Very Good/Excellent	75%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Fairydell</b>	South	78%	Very Good/Excellent	80%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Glebe Road Rec Ground</b>	North	44%	Very Poor	68%	Fair/Good
<b>Hemlington Rec Ground</b>	South	81%	Very Good/Excellent	88%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Henry Street</b>	East	63%	Fair/Good	73%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>James Cook Park</b>	West	75%	Very Good/Excellent	71%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Kellgate Green</b>	South	74%	Very Good/Excellent	90%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>King Edwards Square</b>	North	90%	Very Good/Excellent	78%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Laycock Gardens</b>	North	75%	Very Good/Excellent	73%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Lingfield Park</b>	South	65%	Fair/Good	75%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Linthorpe Village Rest Gardens</b>	West	85%	Very Good/Excellent	69%	Fair/Good
<b>Longlands Doorstep Green</b>	West	75%	Very Good/Excellent	68%	Fair/Good
<b>Maze Park</b>	North	66%	Fair/Good	83%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Pallister Park</b>	East	74%	Very Good/Excellent	78%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Rear of Cannon Park Congregational Church</b>	North	77%	Very Good/Excellent	73%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Saltwells Road</b>	North	81%	Very Good/Excellent	73%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Sandringham Road</b>	East	65%	Fair/Good	59%	Fair/Good
<b>St Barnabas Rec Ground</b>	West	73%	Very Good/Excellent	78%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>St Johns Gate Park</b>	North	72%	Very Good/Excellent	63%	Fair/Good
<b>Stewart Park</b>	South	90%	Very Good/Excellent	90%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Teessaurus Park</b>	North	82%	Very Good/Excellent	80%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>The Avenue</b>	South	64%	Fair/Good	70%	Fair/Good
<b>Thorntree Park</b>	East	72%	Very Good/Excellent	72%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Transporter Urban Park</b>	North	80%	Very Good/Excellent	75%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Tower Green</b>	North	23%	Very Poor	37%	Very Poor
<b>Westbourne Park</b>	West	74%	Very Good/Excellent	75%	Very Good/Excellent



33. The map below shows the location of Parks and Public Garden sites with a 700m accessibility buffer zone. The map shows that there are significant gaps in provision of Parks and Public Gardens in the west sub-area of town, primarily in the Trimdon ward and to a lesser extent in Kader, Ladgate and Longlands & Beechwood wards. Other residential areas that are not within 700m of a Park or Public Garden include parts of the wards of Acklam, Ayresome, Brambles & Thorntree, Park End & Beechwood, and Nunthorpe.

Figure 15: parks and public gardens location plan



## Play Areas

### 34. Summary of results:

- Number of sites: 28
- Area: 3.92 ha
- Average quality score: 73%
- Average value score: 70%
- Decrease in average quality since 2017: 6%
- Decrease in average value since 2017: 8%
- New play areas have been created at Clover Field Road and Ravensgill Road since the 2017 assessment as part of new housing development.
- Loss of play area at Glebe Road since 2017. Newham Grange Leisure Farm play area excluded from 2022 assessment as is subject to an entrance fee.



Table 10: play areas quality and value scores

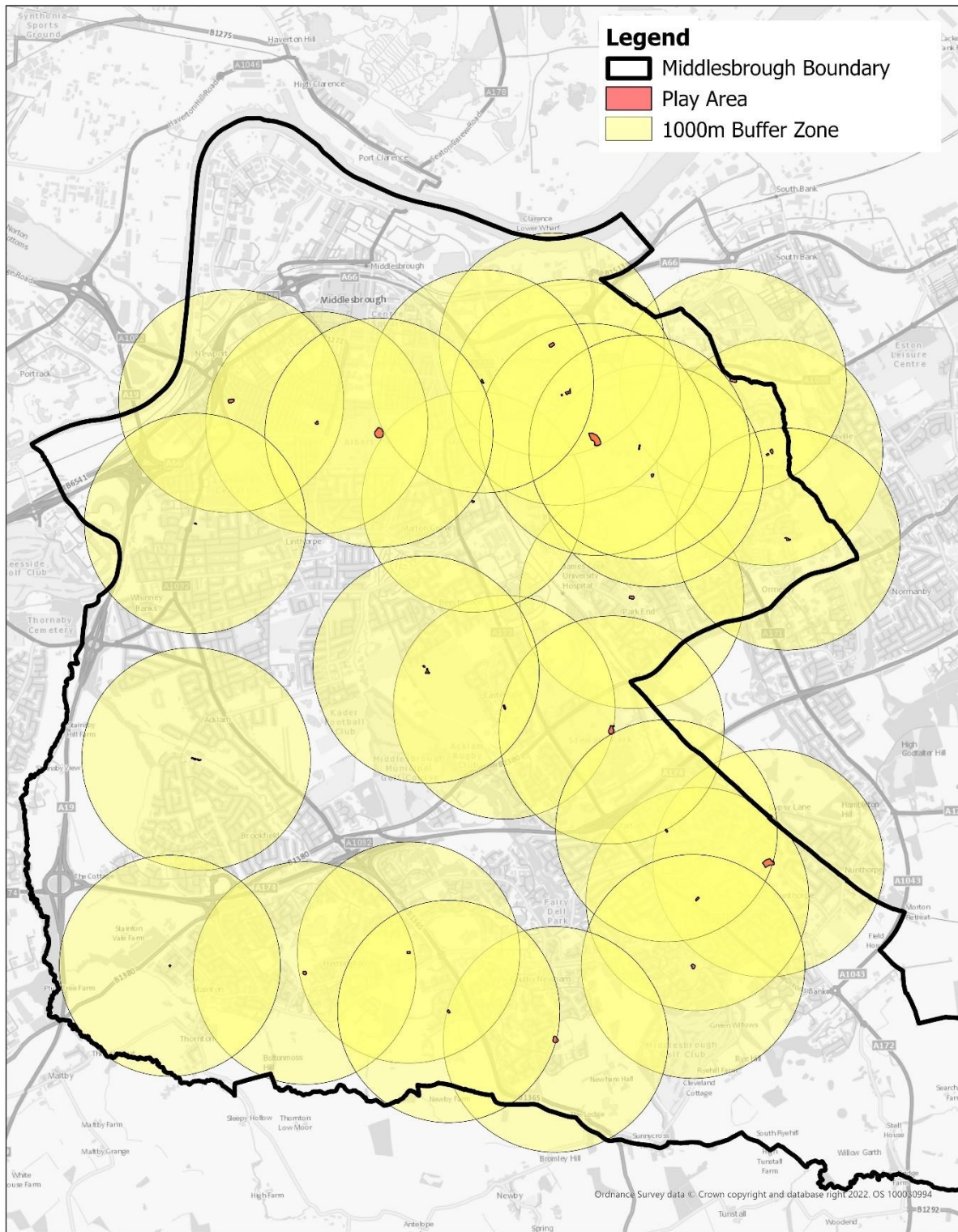
Site	Sub-area	Quality score	Quality grade	Value score	Value grade
Albert Park	West	97%	Exceptional	97%	Exceptional
Ayresome Gardens	North	88%	Very Good/Excellent	86%	Very Good/Excellent
Bonnygrove Park	South	83%	Very Good/Excellent	78%	Very Good/Excellent
Brabourn Gardens	South	67%	Fair/Good	80%	Very Good/Excellent
Broughton Avenue	West	76%	Very Good/Excellent	75%	Very Good/Excellent
Charlbury Road	East	52%	Fair/Good	39%	Very Poor
Clover Field Road	South	76%	Very Good/Excellent	77%	Very Good/Excellent




<b>Cypress Road</b>	South	78%	Very Good/Excellent	74%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Esk Street</b>	East	64%	Fair/Good	57%	Fair/Good
<b>Hemlington Recreation Ground</b>	South	85%	Very Good/Excellent	84%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Henry Street Recreation Ground</b>	East	60%	Fair/Good	72%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Kader Avenue</b>	West	83%	Very Good/Excellent	79%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Laycock Gardens</b>	North	81%	Very Good/Excellent	68%	Fair/Good
<b>Lingfield Farm</b>	South	77%	Very Good/Excellent	74%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Longlands Doorstep Green</b>	West	75%	Very Good/Excellent	65%	Fair/Good
<b>Millbrook Avenue</b>	East	39%	Very Poor	23%	Very Poor
<b>Netherfields Community Centre</b>	East	75%	Very Good/Excellent	51%	Fair/Good
<b>Pallister Park</b>	East	69%	Fair/Good	62%	Fair/Good
<b>Ravensgill Road</b>	South	76%	Very Good/Excellent	74%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Saltersgill Field</b>	West	63%	Fair/Good	73%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Saltwells Road</b>	North	79%	Very Good/Excellent	81%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Sandringham Road</b>	East	68%	Fair/Good	62%	Fair/Good
<b>Stainton Way</b>	South	72%	Very Good/Excellent	63%	Fair/Good
<b>Stewart Park</b>	South	86%	Very Good/Excellent	84%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>The Avenue</b>	South	72%	Very Good/Excellent	69%	Fair/Good
<b>Thorntree Park</b>	East	75%	Very Good/Excellent	75%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Westbourne Park</b>	West	72%	Very Good/Excellent	68%	Fair/Good
<b>Whisperdale Court</b>	East	68%	Fair/Good	67%	Fair/Good

35. The map below shows the location of Play Areas with a 1000m accessibility buffer zone. The map shows that there are a number of gaps in provision of Play Areas, including within the North sub-area in Central ward around the town centre and Middlehaven and to a lesser extent the southern section of Ayresome ward; within the West sub-area in parts of Acklam, Park, Kader and Ladgate wards; and in the South sub-area within parts of Marton West, Coulby Newham and Nunthorpe wards.

Figure 16: play areas location plan



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## The Beck Valleys

### 36. The summary of results:

- Number of sites: 16
- Area: 189.39 ha
- Average quality score: 63%
- Average value score: 77%
- Decrease in average quality since 2017: 5%
- Decrease in average value since 2017: 9%
- The Low Gill site wasn't assessed in 2017 and the High Gill site has been re-categorised from an Local Wildlife Site (LWS) to Beck Valley as it no longer meets the LWS criteria.

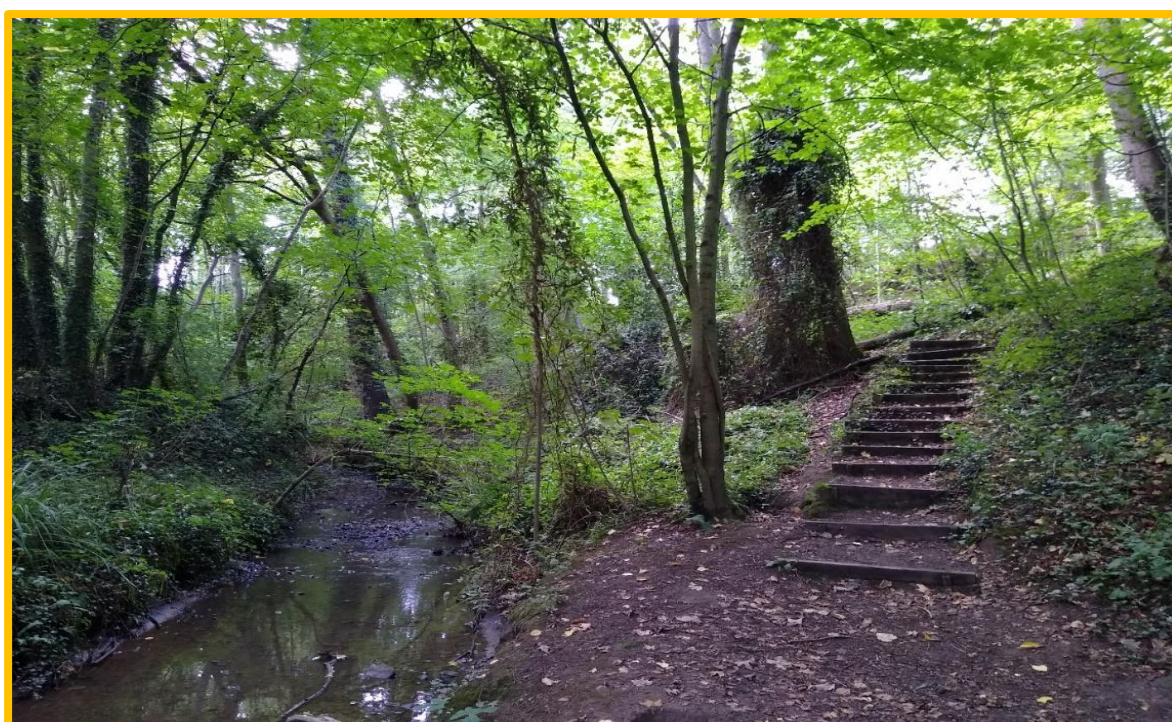


Table 11: the beck valleys quality and value scores

Site	Sub-area	Quality score	Quality grade	Value score	Value grade
Blue Bell Beck	West	77%	Very Good/Excellent	86%	Very Good/Excellent
Cypress Road Beck	South	68%	Fair/Good	71%	Very Good/Excellent
Fairy Dell (Marton West Beck)	South	77%	Very Good/Excellent	87%	Very Good/Excellent
High Gill	South	55%	Fair/Good	68%	Fair/Good
Low Gill	South	54%	Fair/Good	67%	Fair/Good
Marton West Beck North	West	61%	Fair/Good	79%	Very Good/Excellent
Marton West Beck (North and East of Golf Course)	West	66%	Fair/Good	82%	Very Good/Excellent

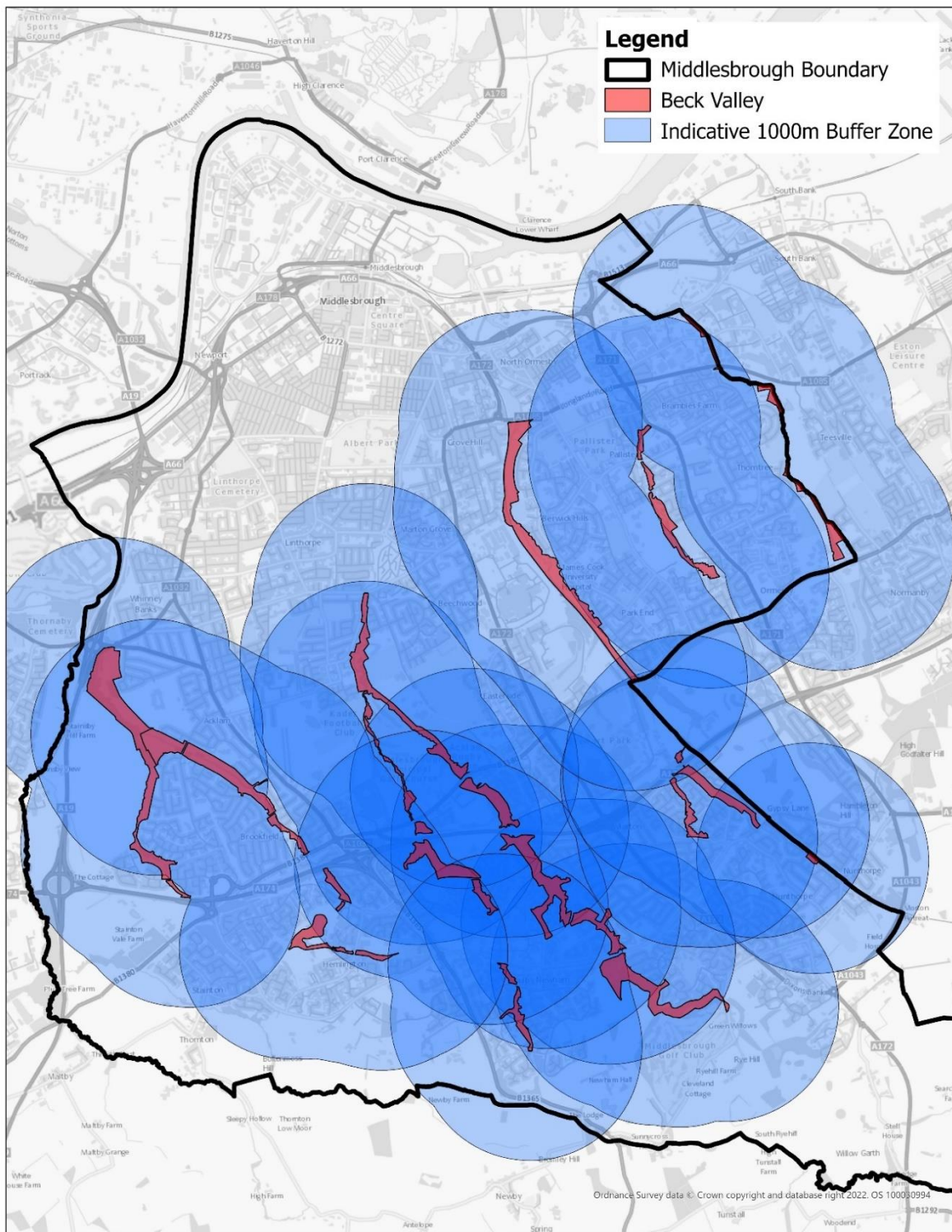
<b>Marton West Beck (North of Stainton Way)</b>	South	63%	Fair/Good	80%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Marton West Beck (south of Stainton Way)</b>	South	63%	Fair/Good	82%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Middlebeck</b>	East	60%	Fair/Good	77%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Newham Beck</b>	South	55%	Fair/Good	76%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Newham Beck South</b>	South	66%	Fair/Good	75%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Newham Way (Newham Beck)</b>	South	63%	Fair/Good	80%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Ormesby Beck</b>	East / West	63%	Fair/Good	77%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Saffwood Beck</b>	West	65%	Fair/Good	82%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Spencer Beck</b>	East	51%	Fair/Good	64%	Fair/Good



37. The map below shows the location of the Beck Valleys with an indicative 1000m accessibility buffer zone.



Figure 17: beck valleys location plan



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## Youth Activity Areas

38. The summary of results:

- Number of sites: 18
- Area: 3.05 ha
- Average quality score: 71%
- Average value score: 72%
- Decrease in average quality since 2017: 7%
- Decrease in average value since 2017: 1%
- Two sites, Albert Park (South) and Corner of Commercial St/North St were not assessed in the 2017 assessment.
- There has been a loss of youth activity areas at the Parkway Centre and St Paul's Road since the 2017 assessment.



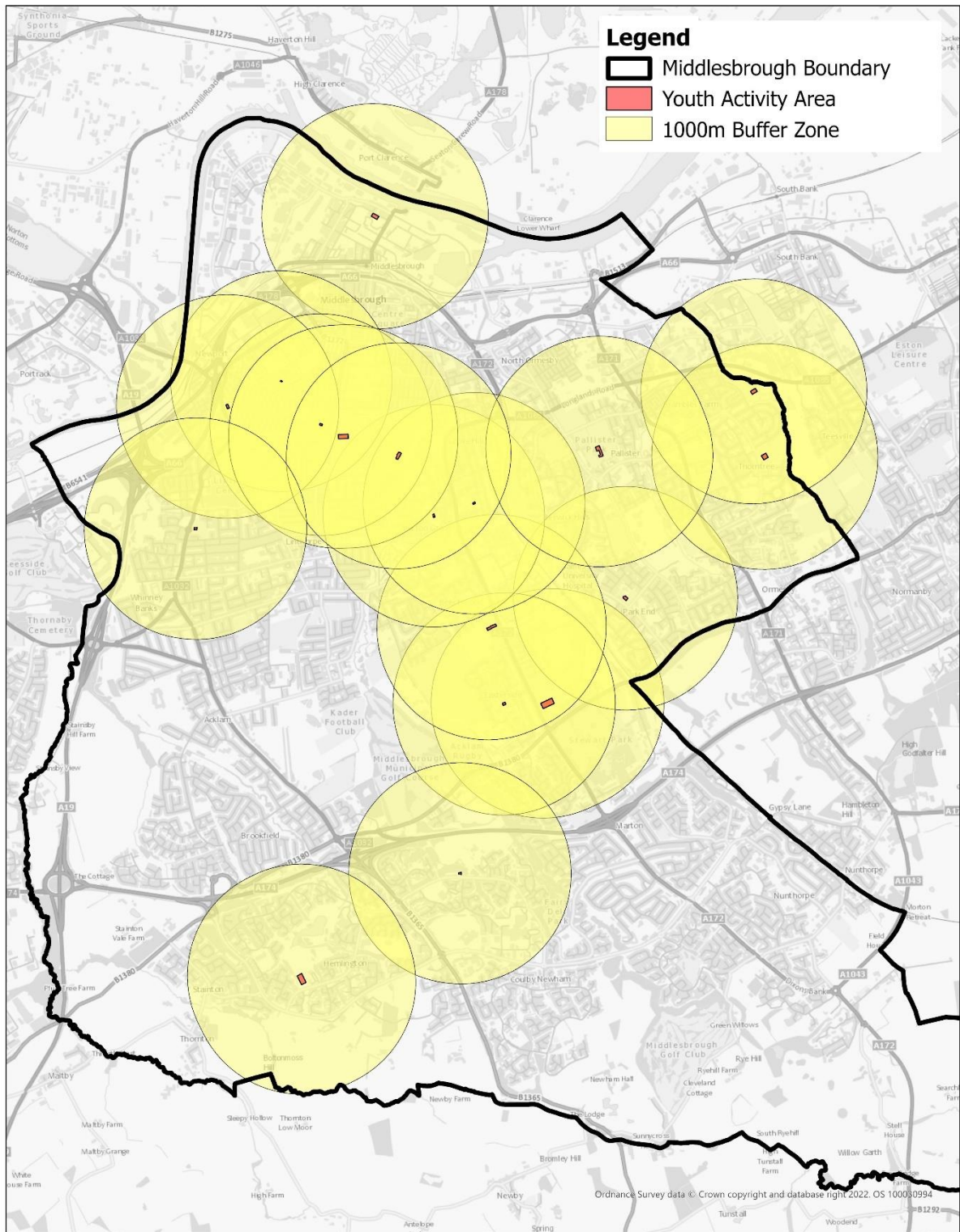
Table 12: youth activity areas quality and value


Site	Sub-area	Quality score	Quality grade	Value score	Value grade
Albert Park (North)	West	42%	Very Poor	78%	Very Good/Excellent
Albert Park (South)	West	96%	Exceptional	85%	Very Good/Excellent
Ayresome Gardens	North	85%	Very Good/Excellent	81%	Very Good/Excellent
Beechwood BMX Track and M.U.G.A.	West	72%	Very Good/Excellent	74%	Very Good/Excellent
Bishopton Road M.U.G.A.	West	76%	Very Good/Excellent	73%	Very Good/Excellent
Broughton Avenue	West	70%	Fair/Good	69%	Fair/Good
College Road M.U.G.A.	East	68%	Fair/Good	65%	Fair/Good

<b>Corner of Commercial Street and North Street</b>	North	82%	Very Good/Excellent	77%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Glebe Road Recreational Ground</b>	North	44%	Very Poor	68%	Fair/Good
<b>Hemlington Recreation Centre</b>	South	73%	Very Good/Excellent	75%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Laycock Gardens</b>	North	75%	Very Good/Excellent	68%	Fair/Good
<b>Longlands Doorstep Green M.U.G.A.</b>	West	81%	Very Good/Excellent	72%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Newham Way</b>	South	48%	Very Poor	56%	Fair/Good
<b>Pallister Park</b>	East	62%	Fair/Good	64%	Fair/Good
<b>Prissick Skate Plaza</b>	South	77%	Very Good/Excellent	72%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Sandringham Road M.U.G.A. and skate park</b>	East	63%	Fair/Good	56%	Fair/Good
<b>Thorntree Park M.U.G.A.</b>	East	77%	Very Good/Excellent	75%	Very Good/Excellent
<b>Westbourne Park</b>	West	79%	Very Good/Excellent	73%	Very Good/Excellent

39. The map below shows the location of the Youth Activity Areas with a 1000m accessibility buffer zone. There are significant gaps in provision in the West and South sub-areas of the Borough. Within the West sub-area the gaps are primarily in Kader, Trimdon and Acklam wards. In the South sub-area none of Nunthorpe ward is within 1000m of a youth activity area and there are also gaps in provision in parts of Marton West, Marton East, Coulby Newham, and Stainton & Thornton. There are smaller gaps in provision in the North sub-area within parts of Ayresome and Central wards and within the East sub-area in parts of North Ormesby, and Park End & Beckfield wards.

Figure 18: youth activity areas location plan



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## Quality and Value Assessment Results

40. The following charts display the changes in the average scores for quality and value since the previous assessment in 2017. The quality score for civic spaces has improved since 2017, whereas the other categories of open space have declined. The value scores for cemeteries and crematoriums, and civic spaces have improved since 2017, the score for memorial gardens has remained static and the other categories of open space have declined.

Figure 19: graph comparing quality scores in 2017 and 2022

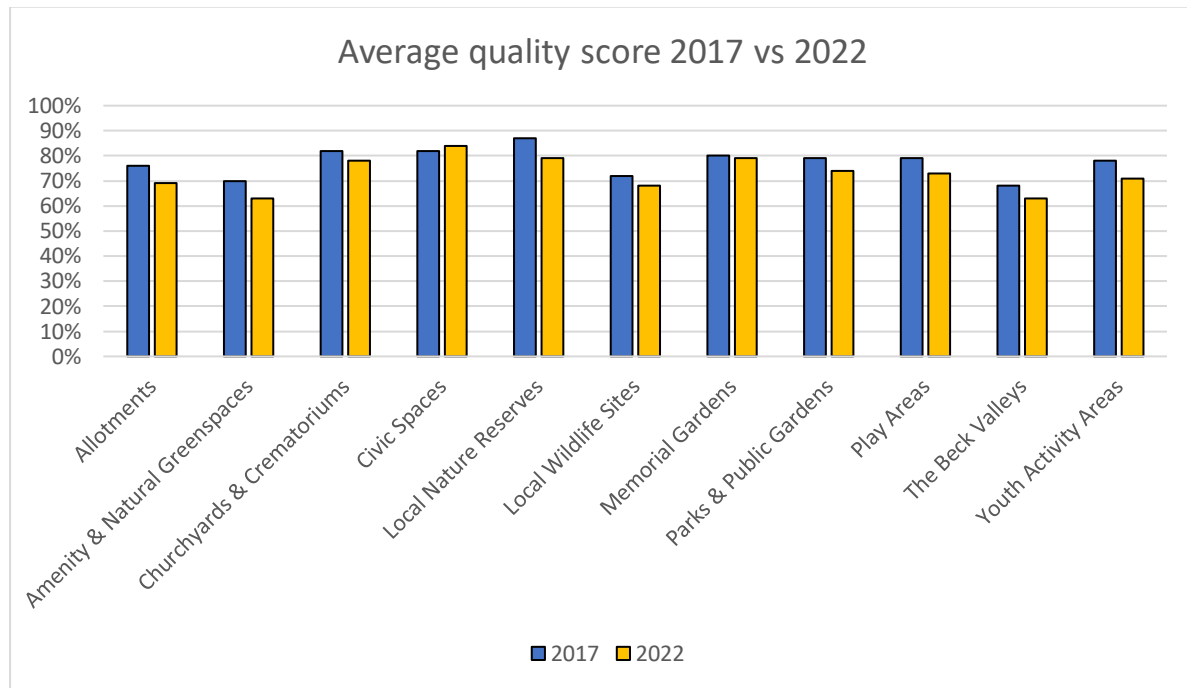
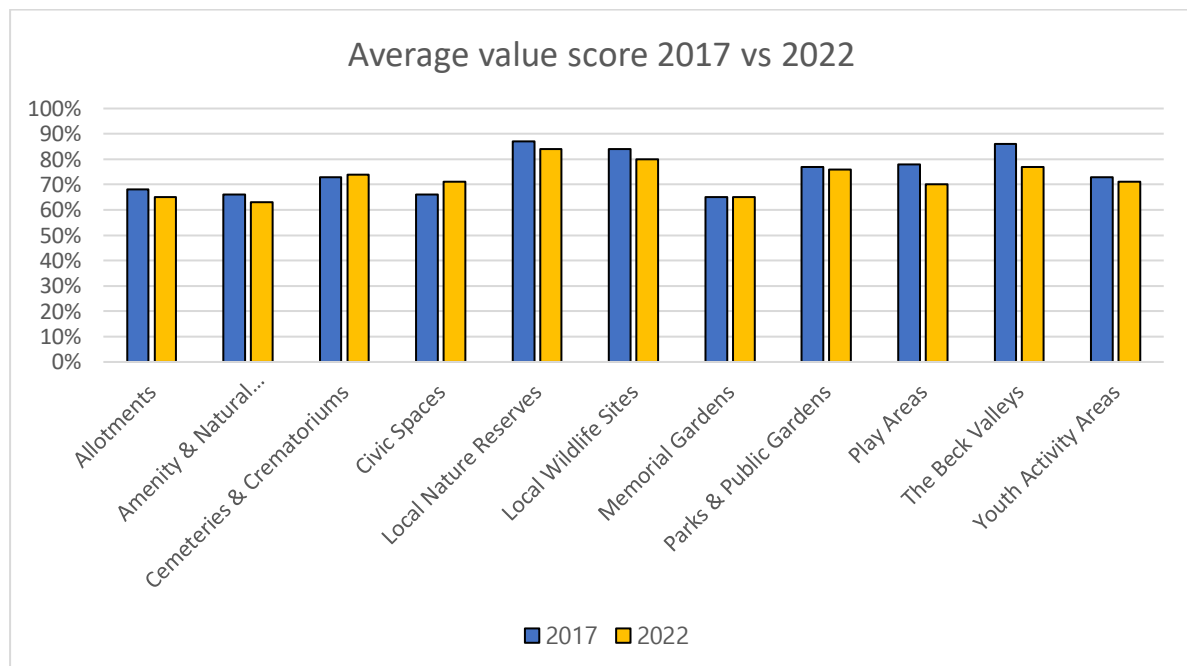


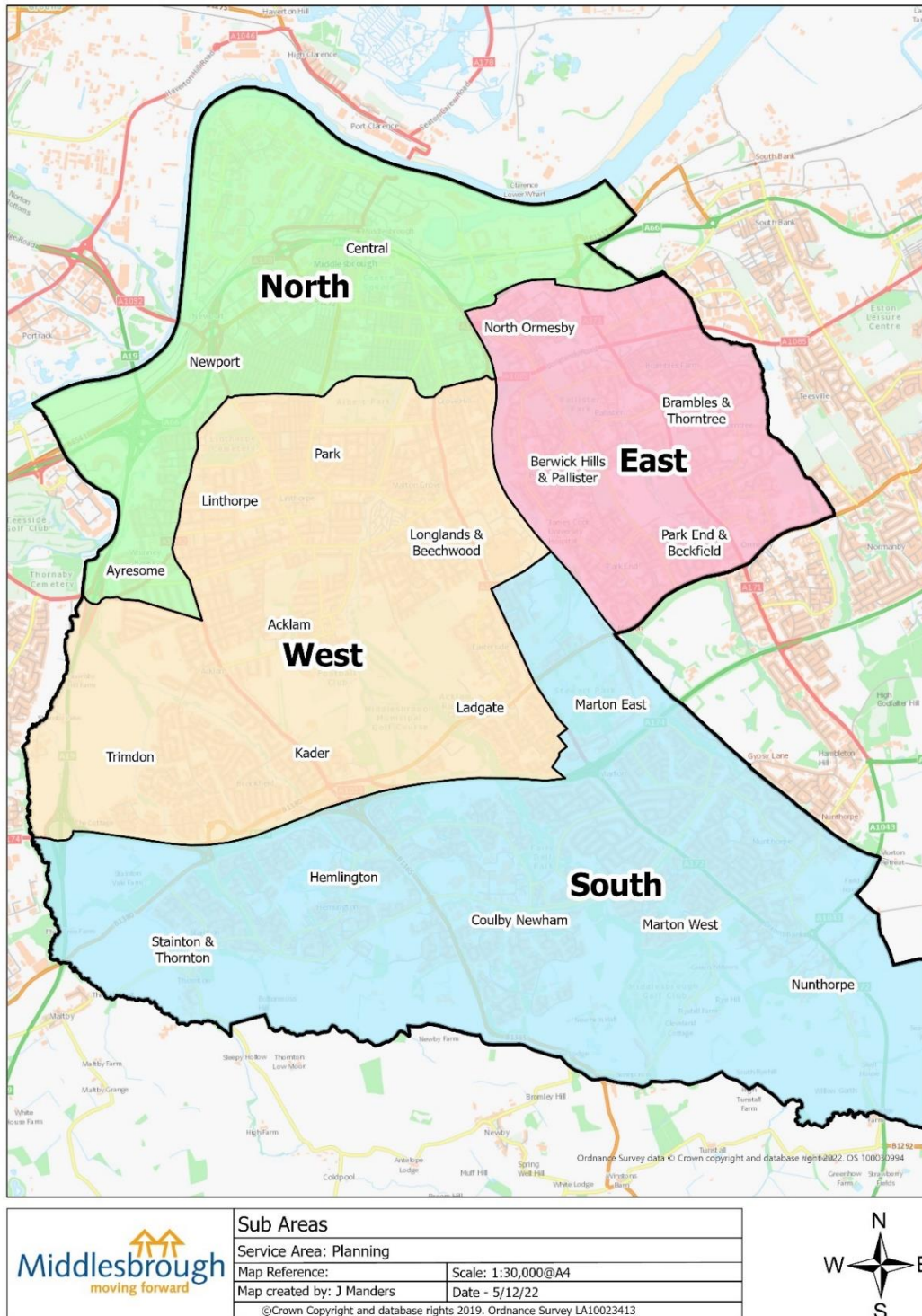
Figure 20: graph comparing value scores in 2017 and 2022



## Sub-area Open Space Analysis

41. This section splits the Borough into four zones and examines the provision, quality and value in North, East, South and West Middlesbrough. These zones are illustrated on the map below:

Figure 21: sub-area plan



42. Open space provision within each of the Boroughs four sub-areas is shown below. Due to the differing size of each sub-area, the chart displays the level of open space in relation to the total amount of actual space within the boundary – splitting land uses between those of open space and non-open space. Three of the sub-areas are within the 10% to 20% bracket. Only the North of Middlesbrough falls below 10%, which reflects the more urbanised nature of this part of the Borough compared to the more suburban nature of the other sub-areas.

Figure 22: graph comparing the proportion of open space in each sub-area

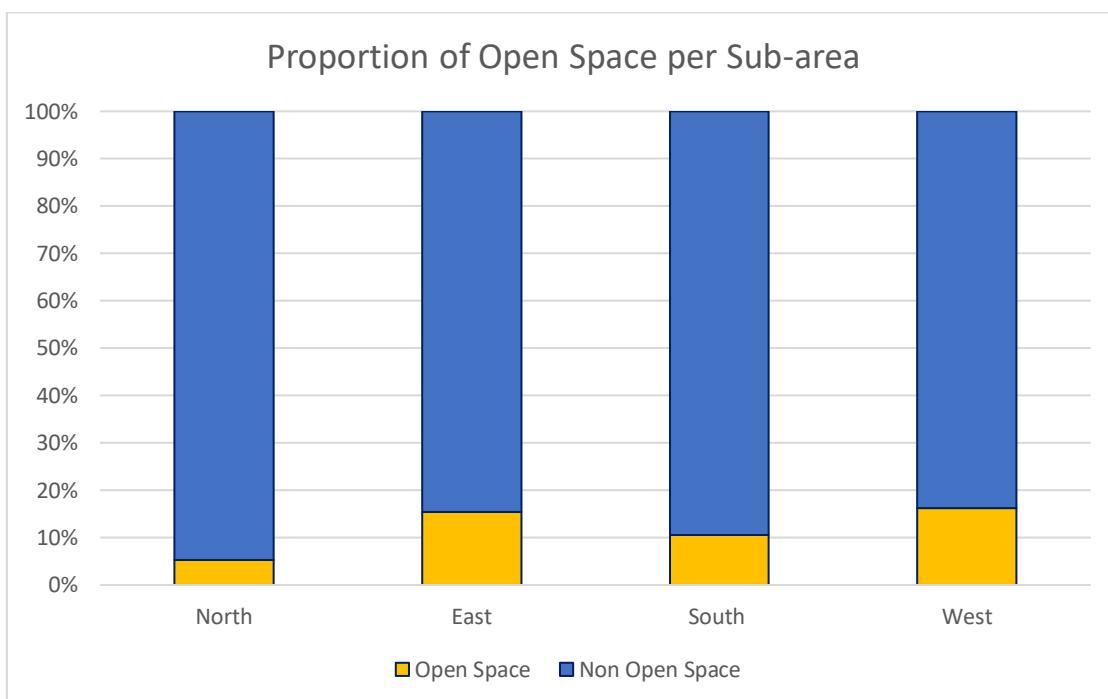


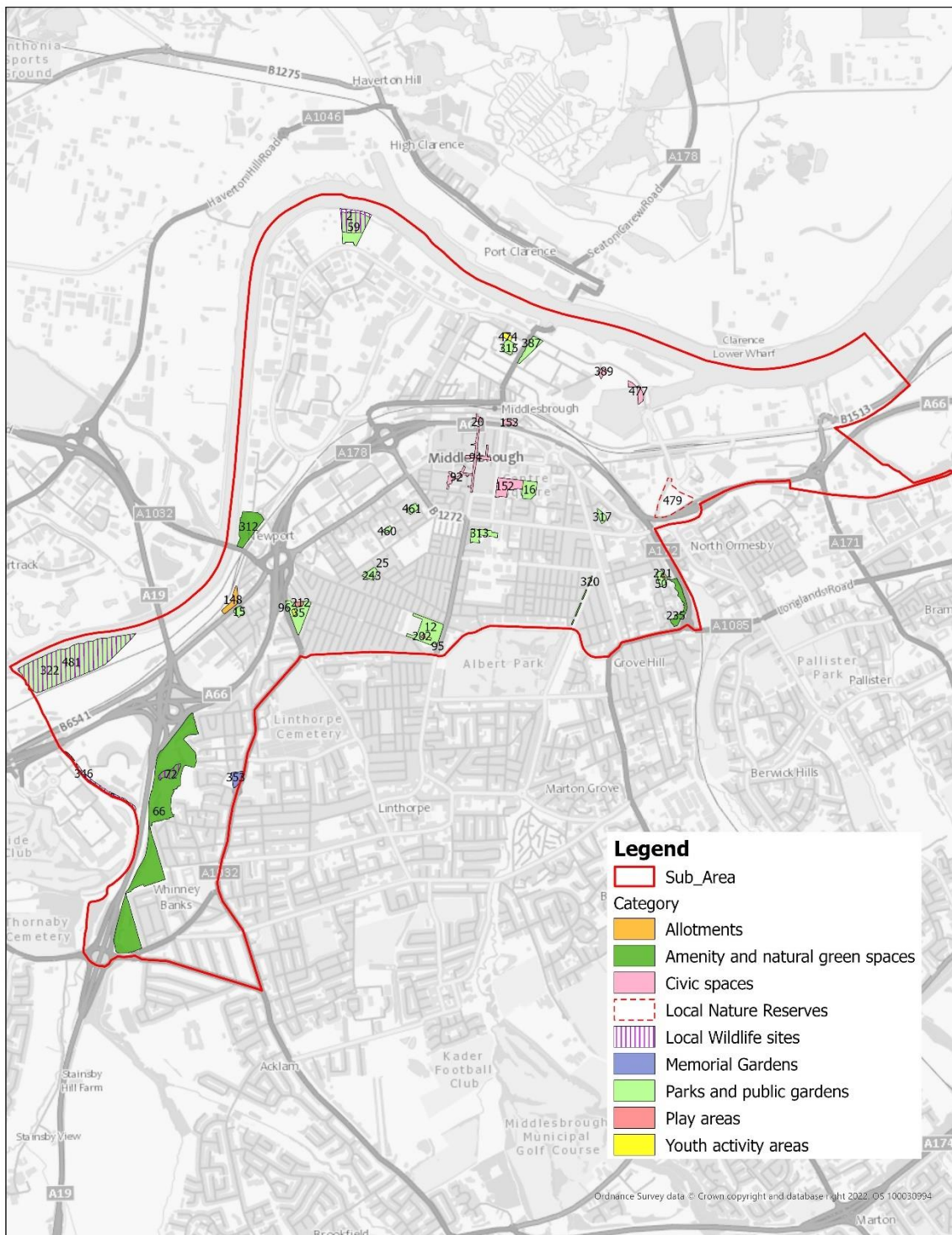
Table 13: Proportion of open space by sub-area

Sub-area	Area of open space (ha)	Total area (ha)	Percentage of open space
North	53.3	1,000.9	5.3%
East	108.5	702.5	15.4%
South	236.8	2,229.3	10.6%
West	246.2	1,522.6	16.2%



# North Middlesbrough Open Space: Provision

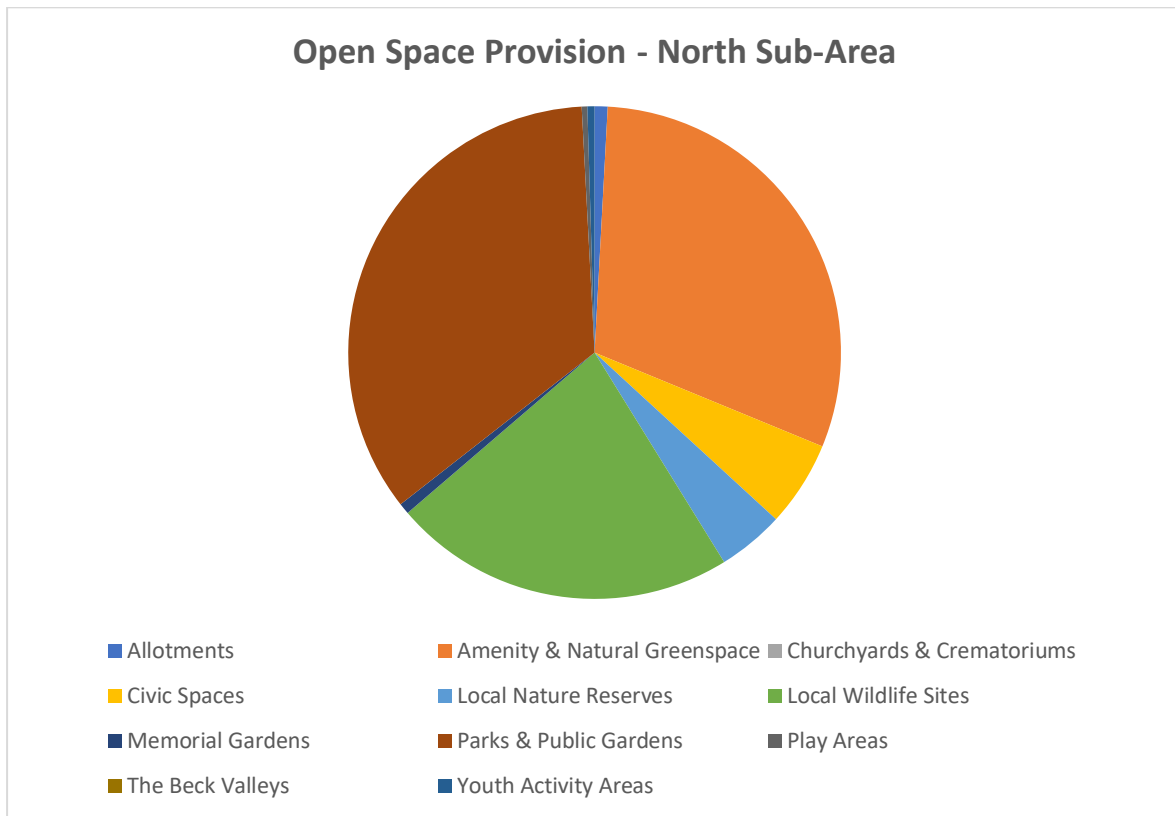
Figure 23: plan of open space provision in North sub-area



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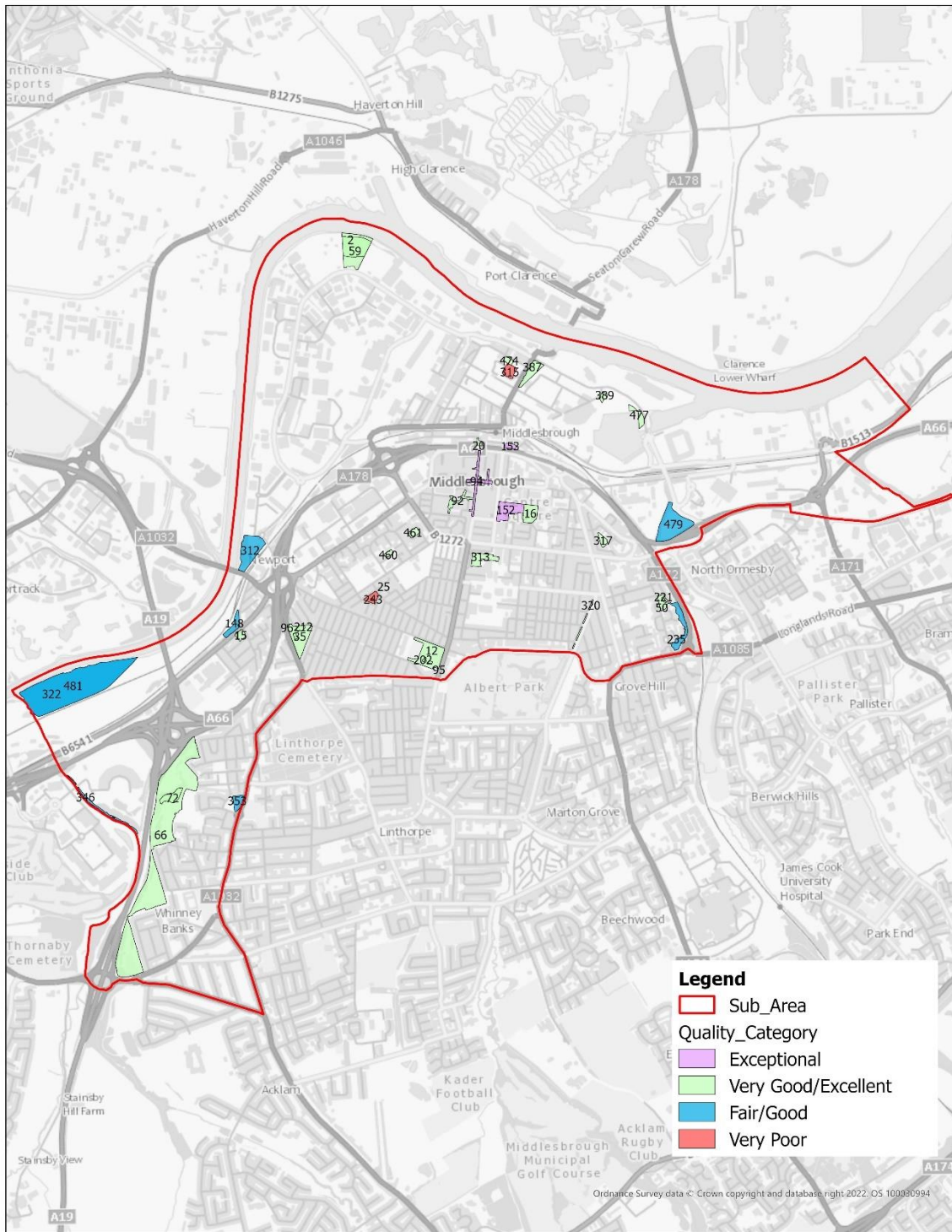


Figure 24: pie-chart of open space provision in North sub-area



# North Middlesbrough Open Space: Quality Assessment

Figure 25: plan of open space quality assessment in North sub-area



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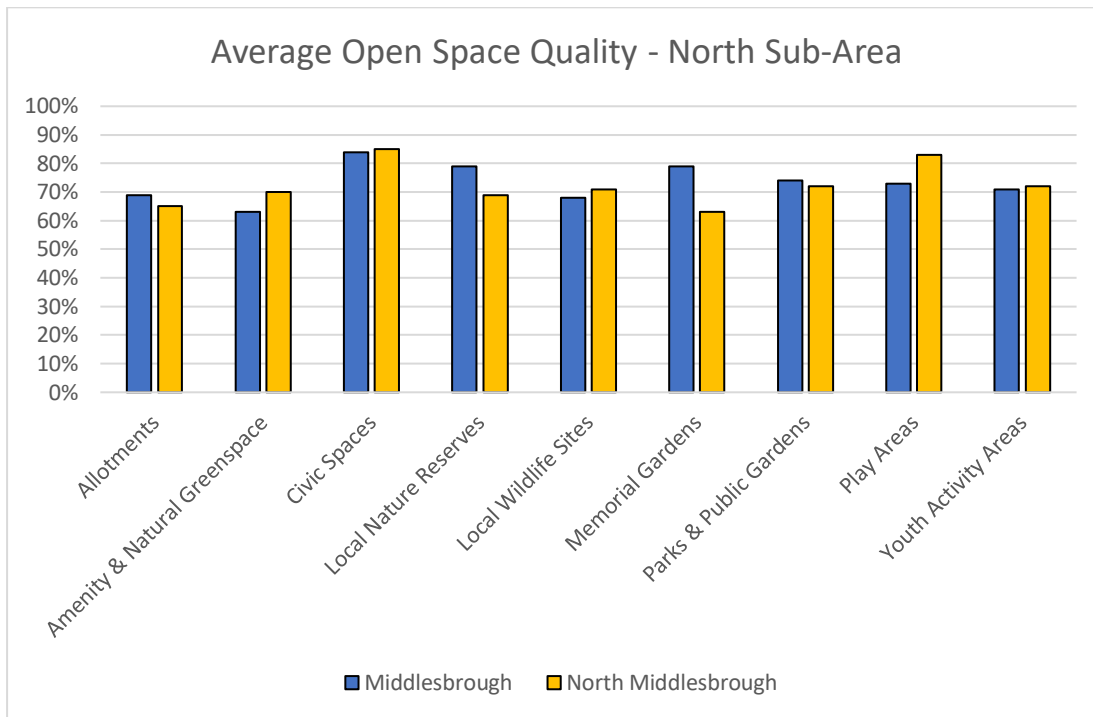
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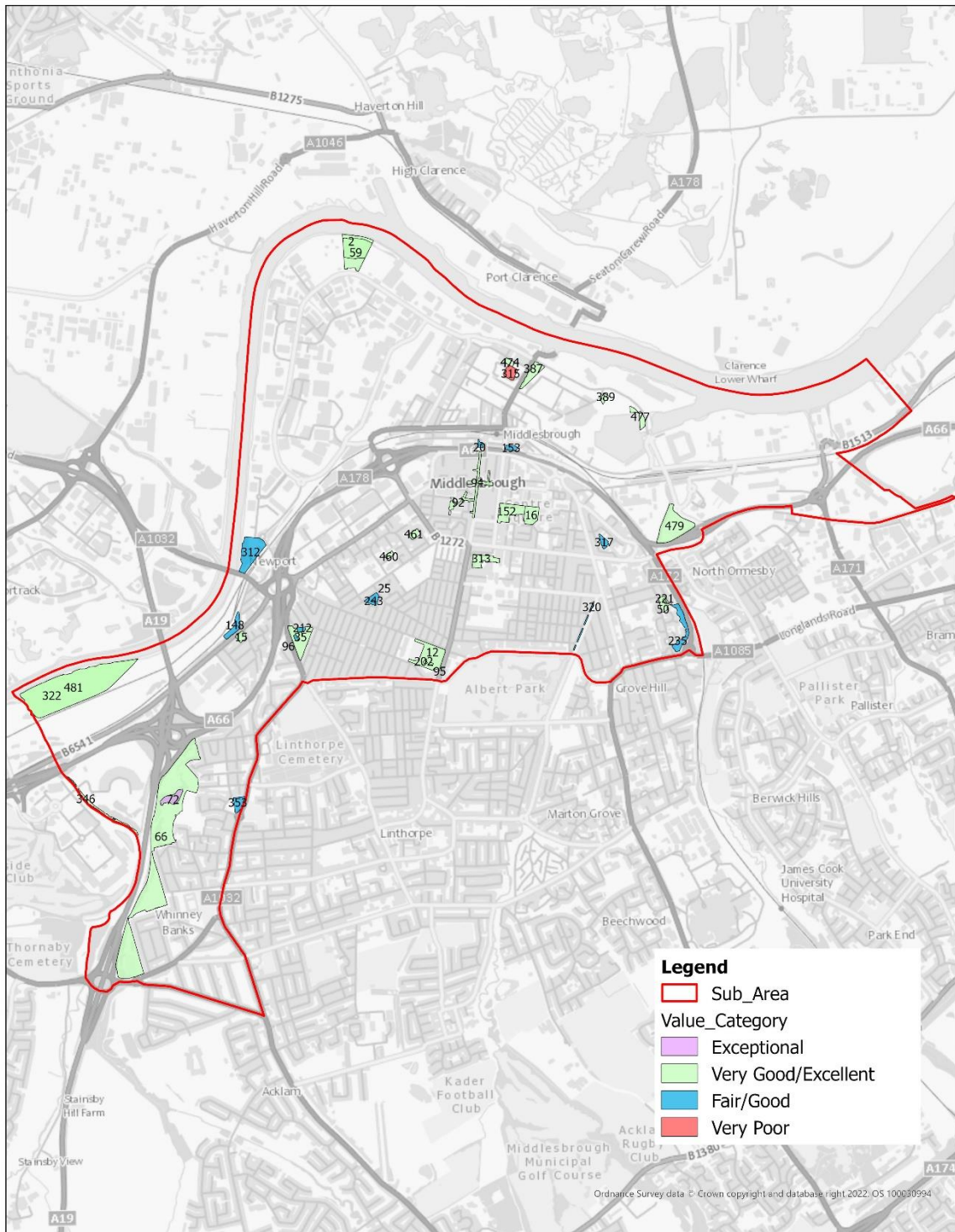


Figure 26: graph comparing quality of open space in North sub-area with overall Borough



# North Middlesbrough Open Space: Value Assessment

Figure 27: plan of value assessment results in North sub-area



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Figure 28: graph comparing open space value in North sub-area with overall Borough

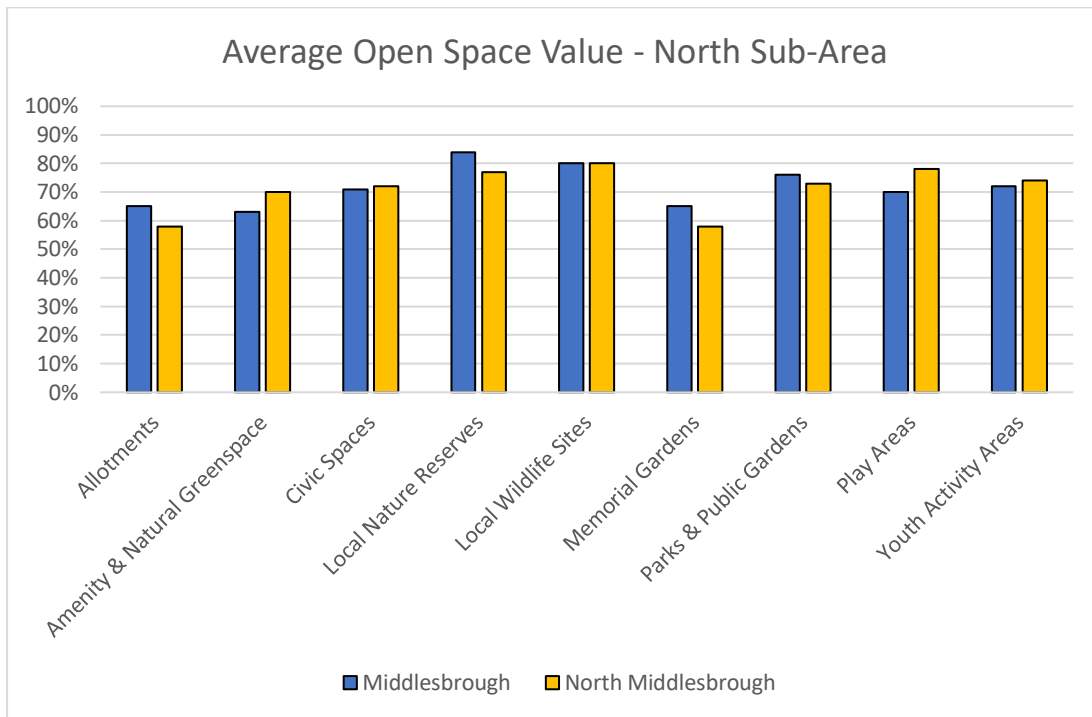
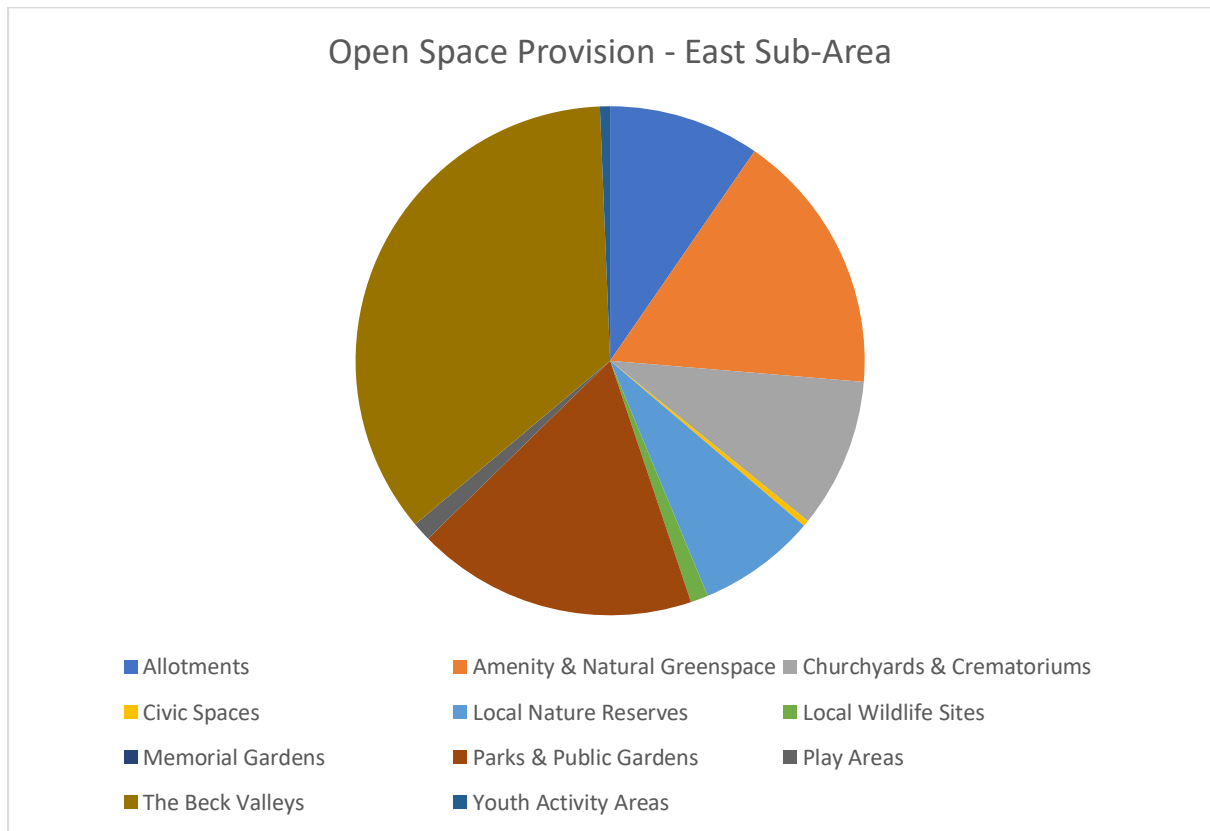




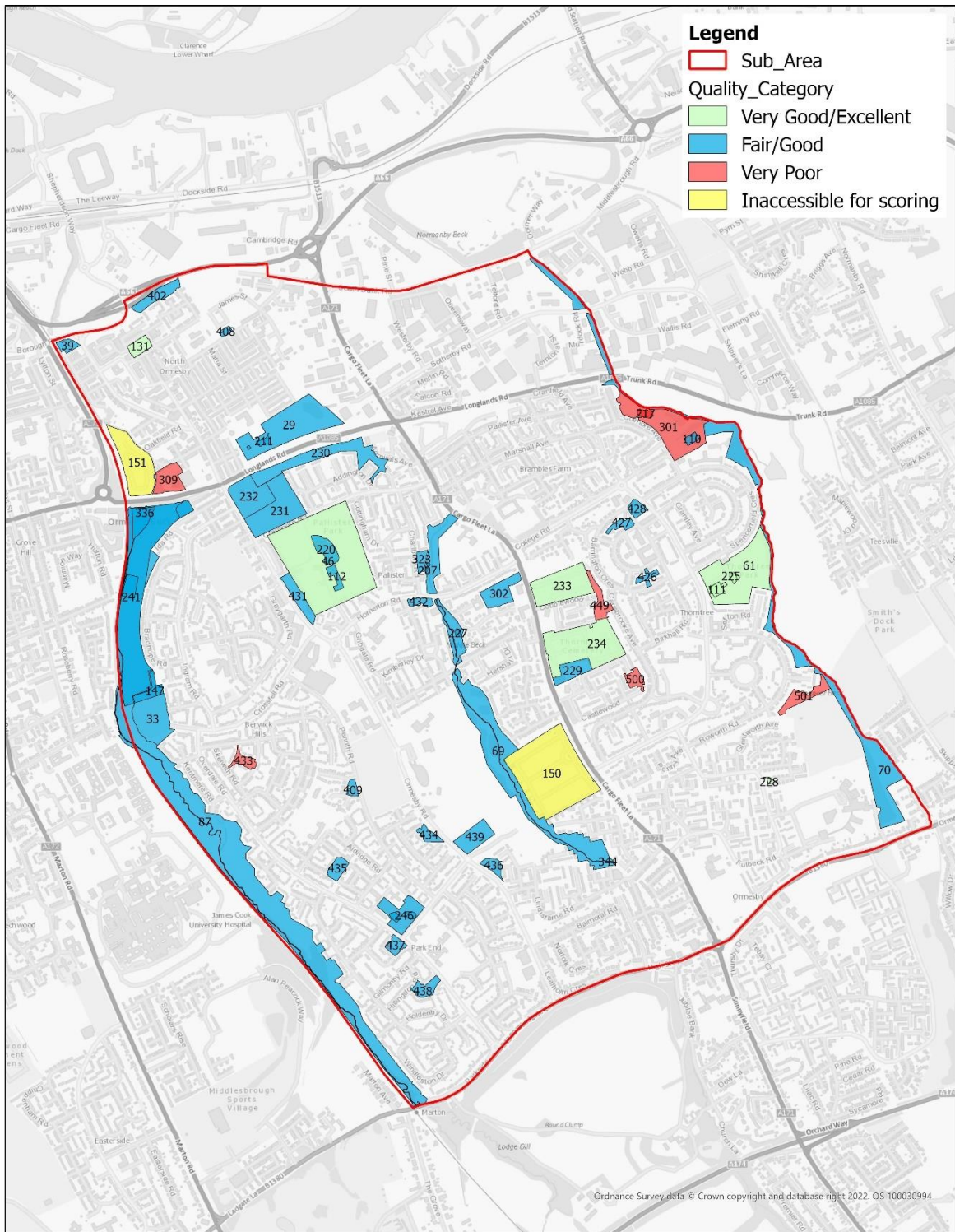


Figure 30: pie-chart of open space provision in East sub-area



# East Middlesbrough Open Space: Quality Assessment

Figure 31: plan of open space quality assessment in East sub-area

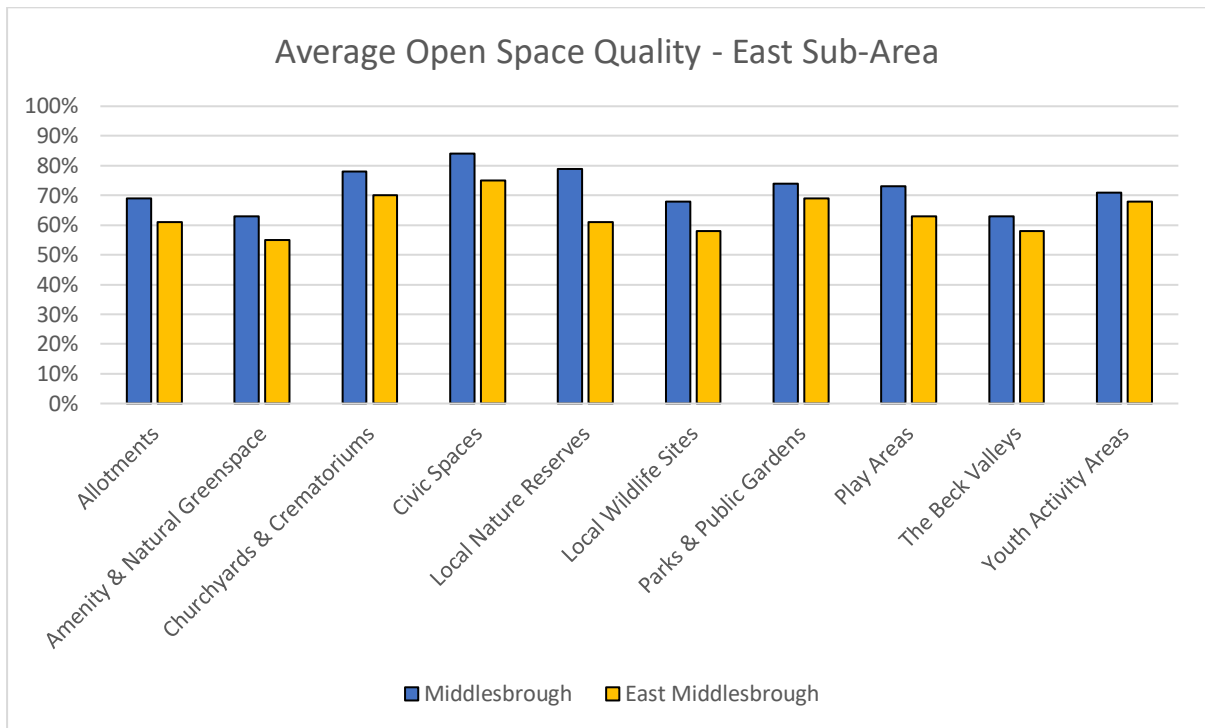


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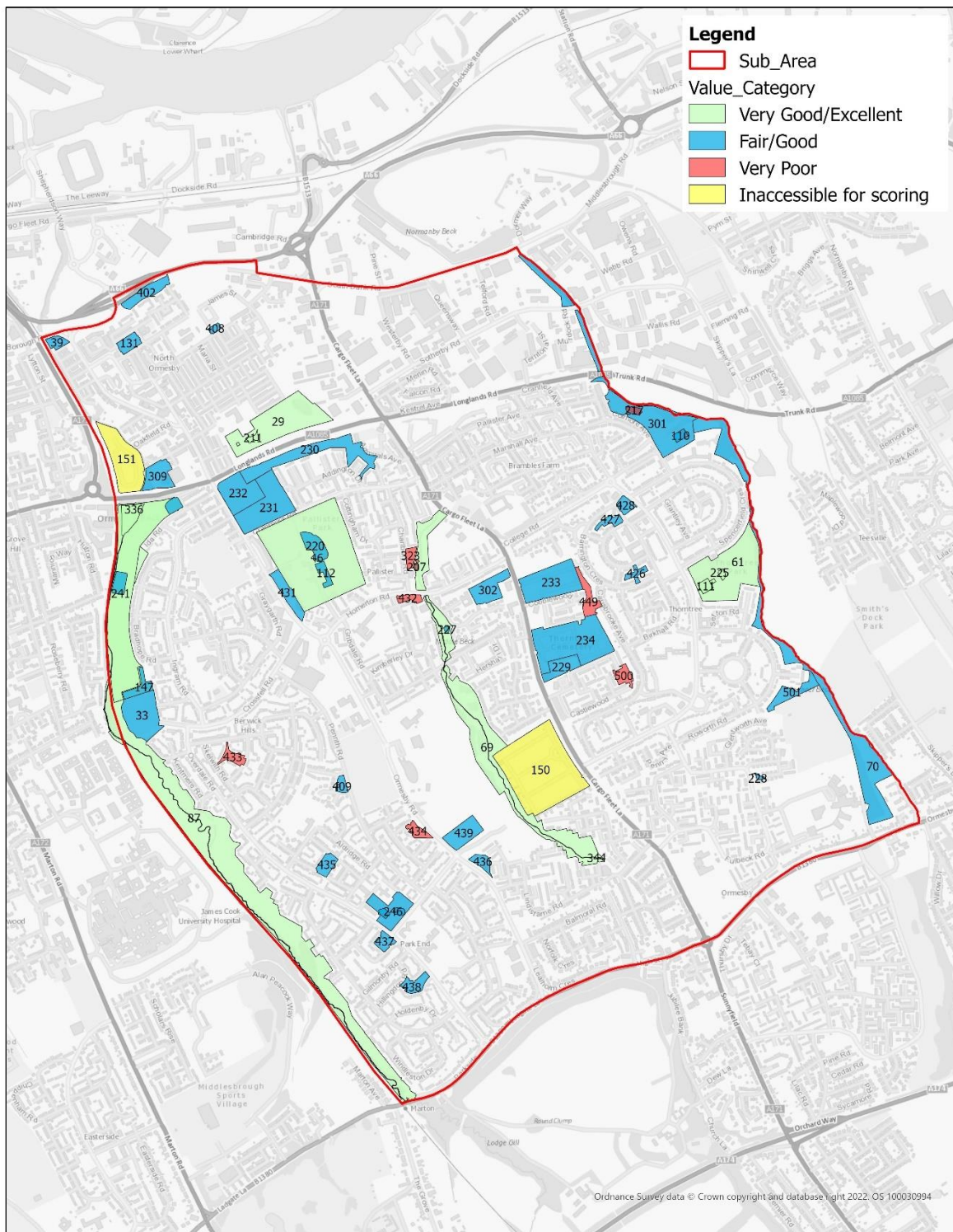


Figure 32: graph comparing quality of open space in East sub-area with overall Borough



# East Middlesbrough Open Space: Value Assessment

Figure 33: plan of value assessment results in East sub-area




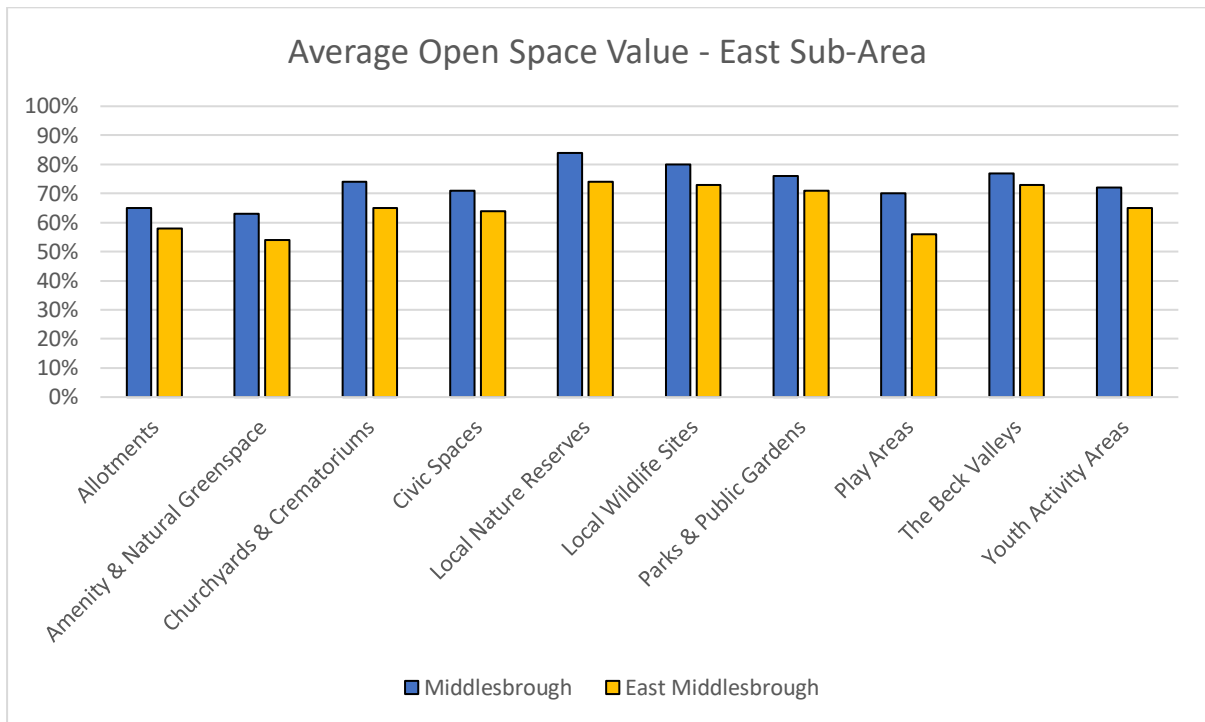
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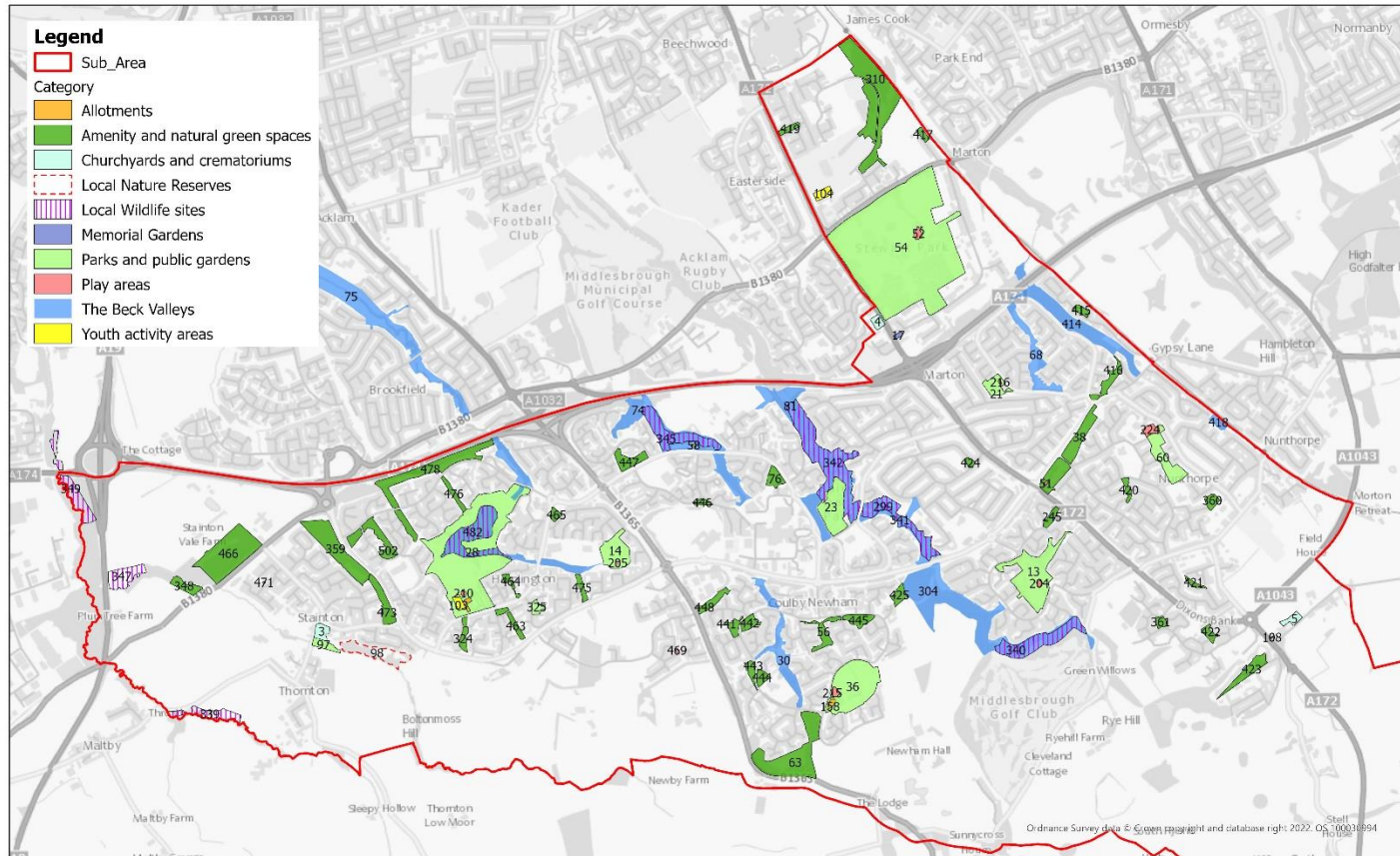
Figure 34: graph comparing open space value in East sub-area with overall Borough





## South Middlesbrough Open Space: Provision

Figure 35: plan of open space provision in South sub-area




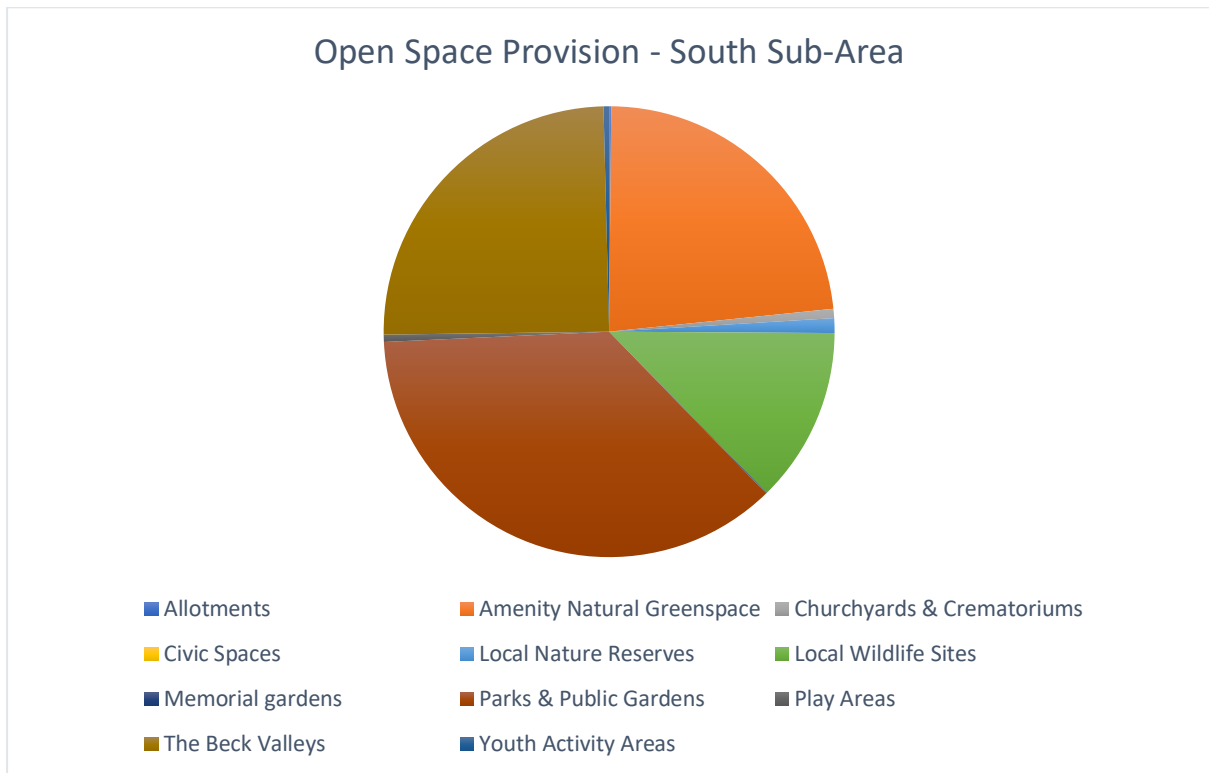
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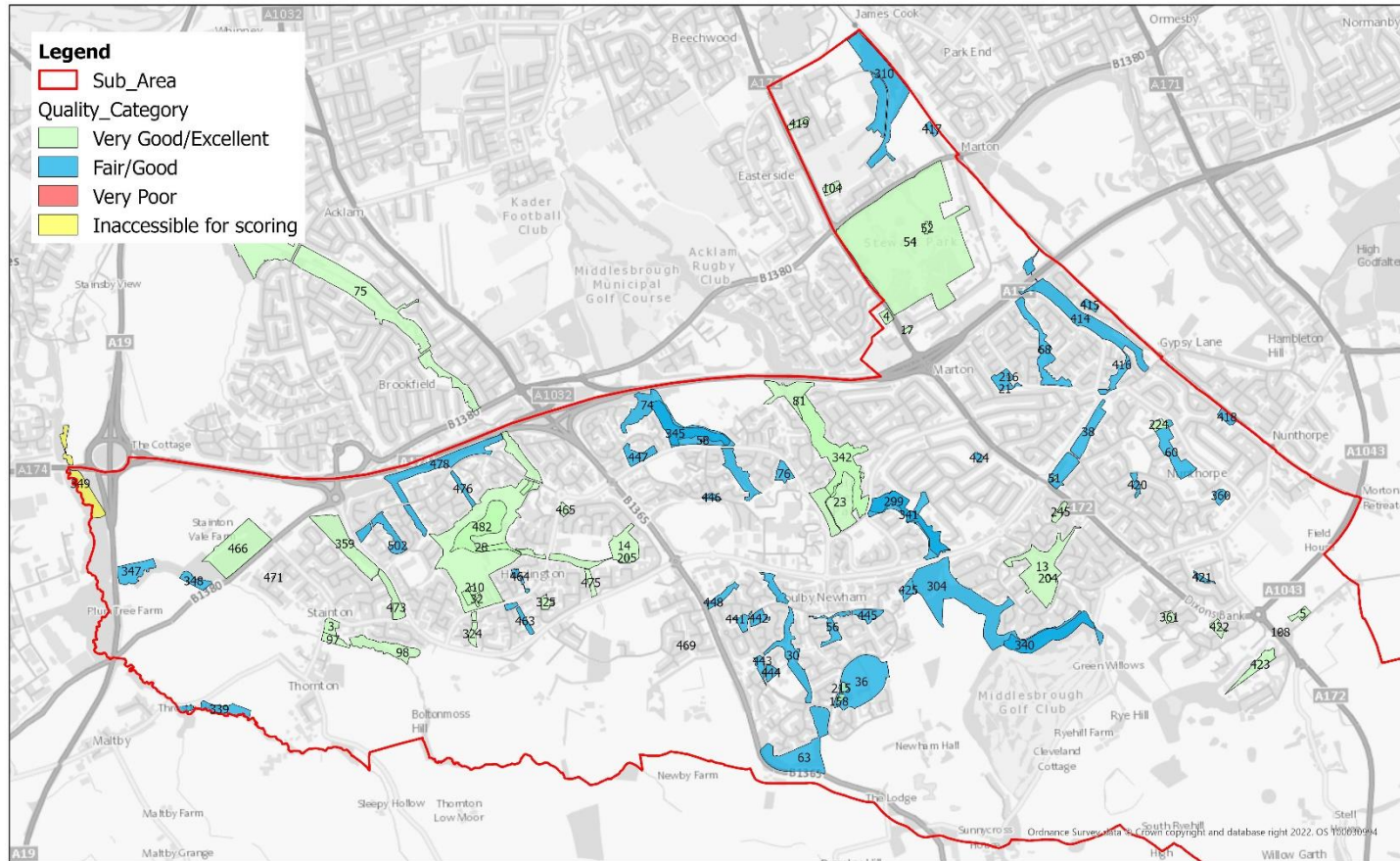


Figure 36: pie-chart of open space provision in South sub-area



# South Middlesbrough Open Space: Quality Assessment

Figure 37: plan of open space quality assessment in South sub-area

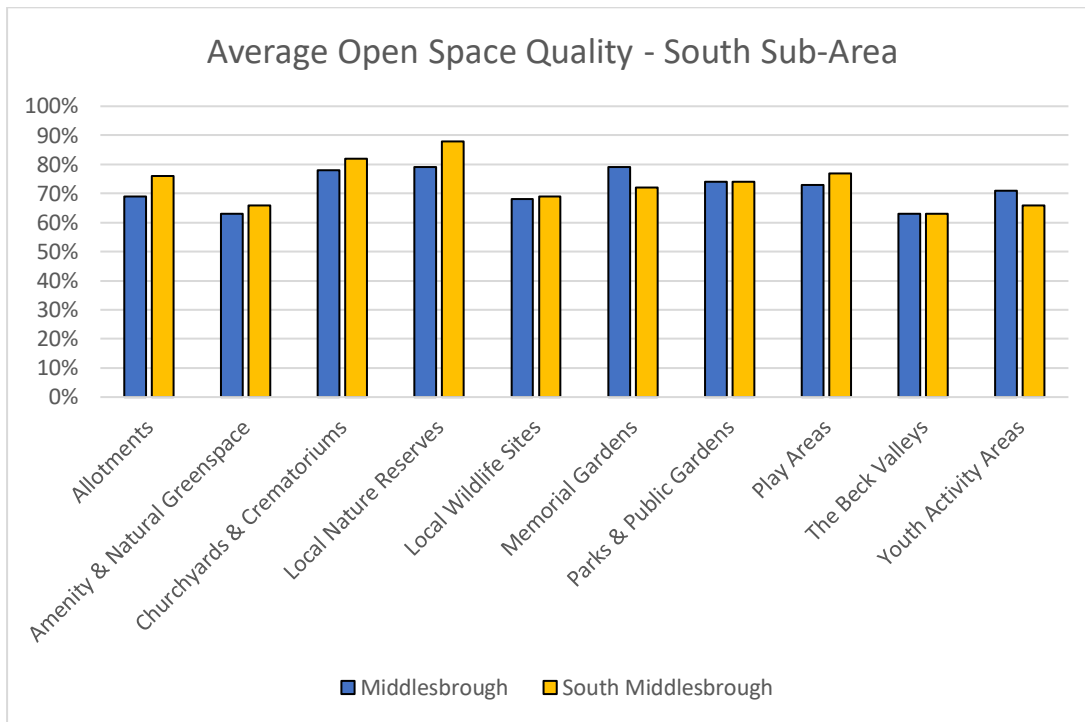


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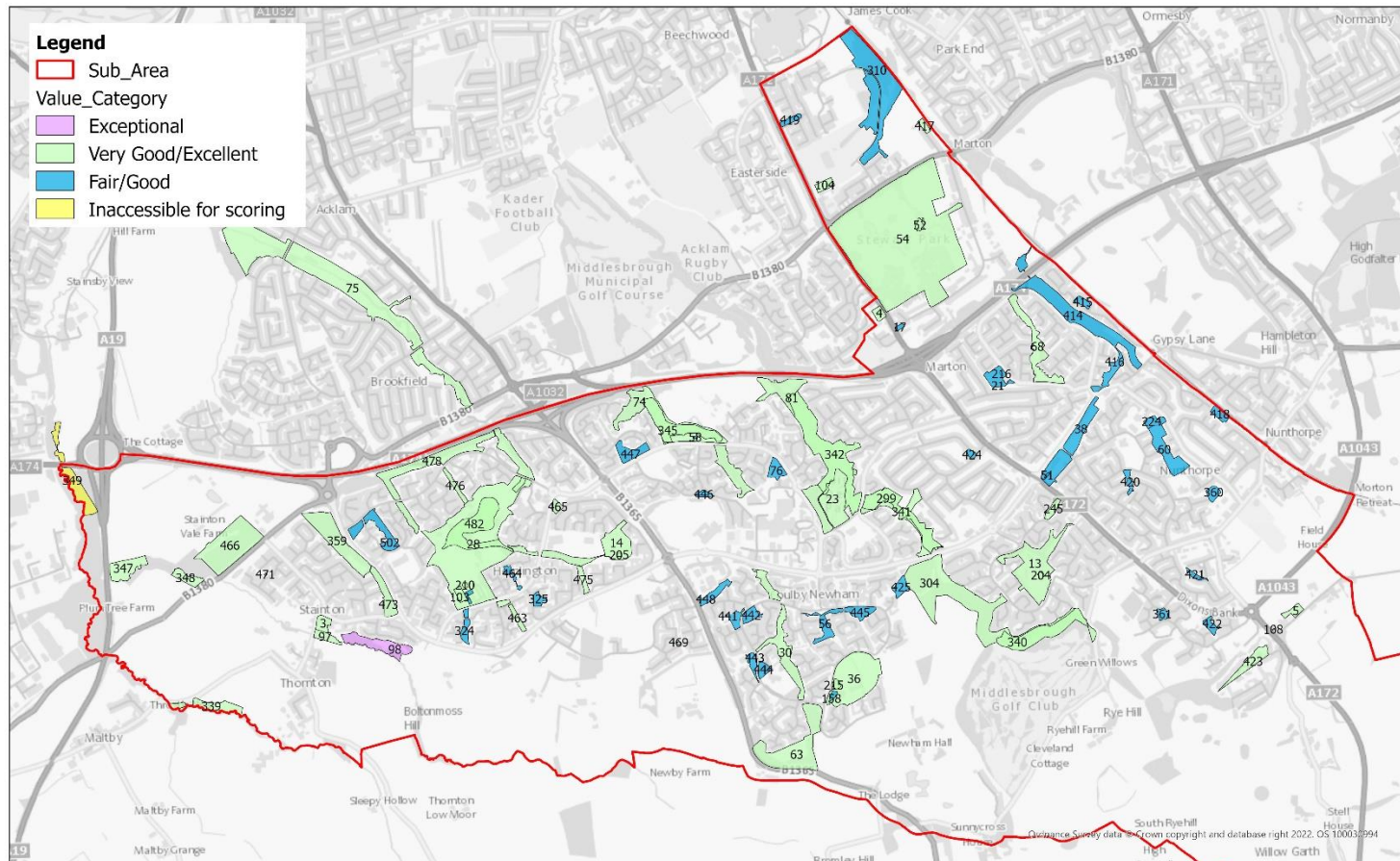


Figure 38: graph comparing quality of open space in South sub-area with overall Borough



## South Middlesbrough Open Space: Value Assessment

Figure 39: plan of value assessment results in South sub-area




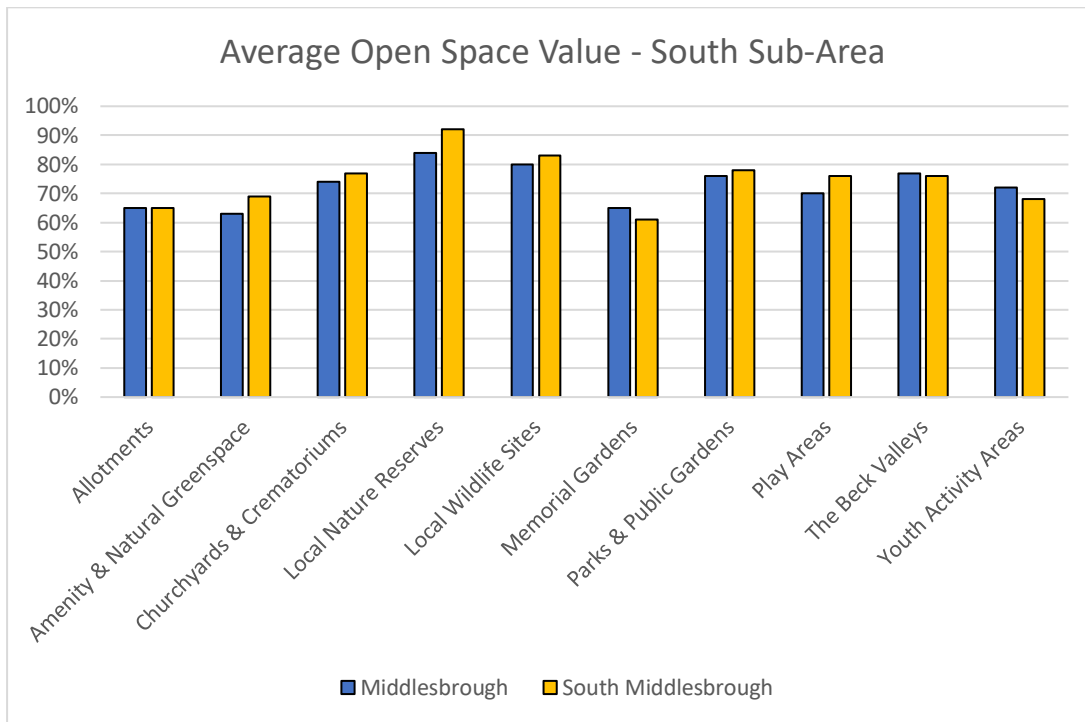
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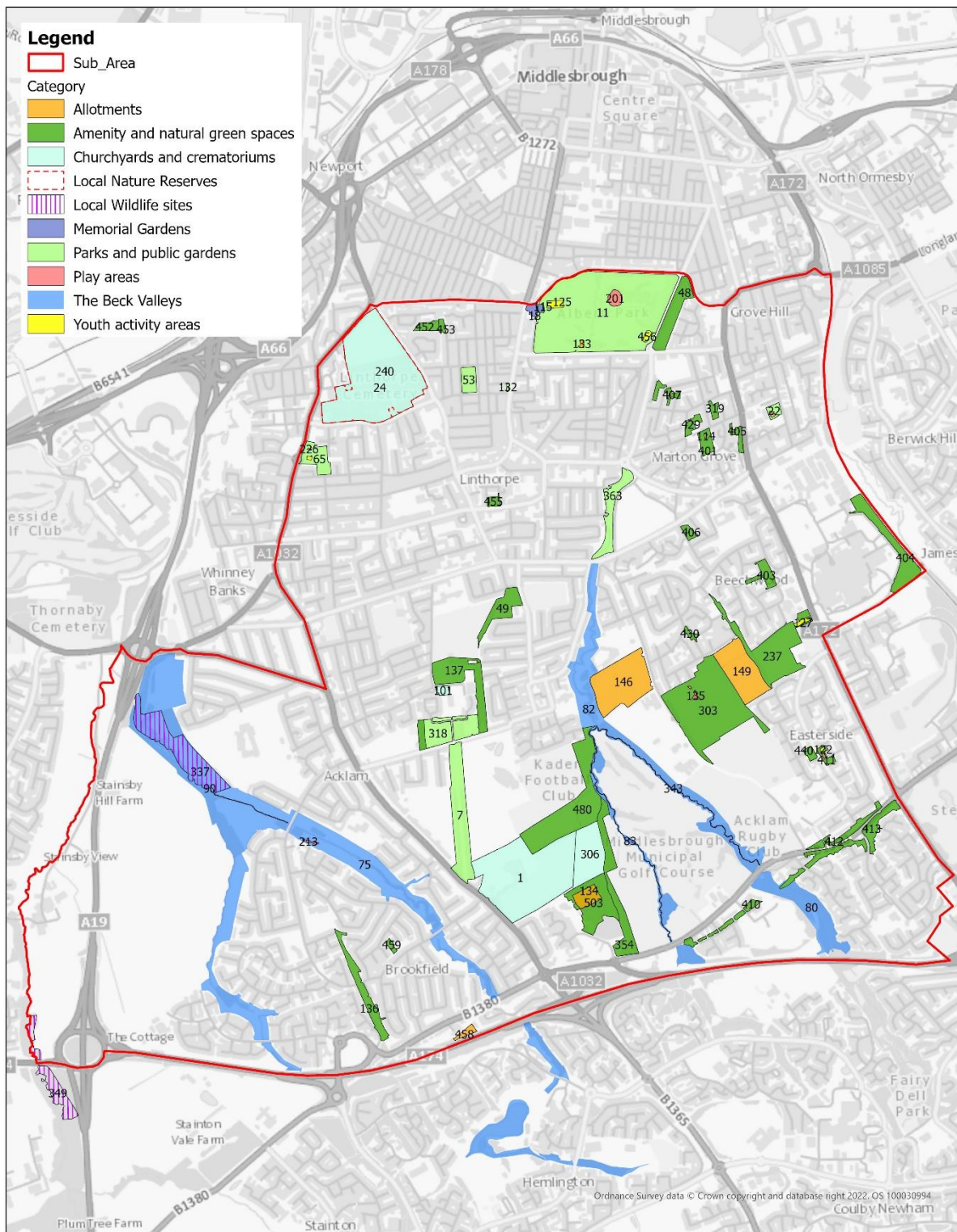
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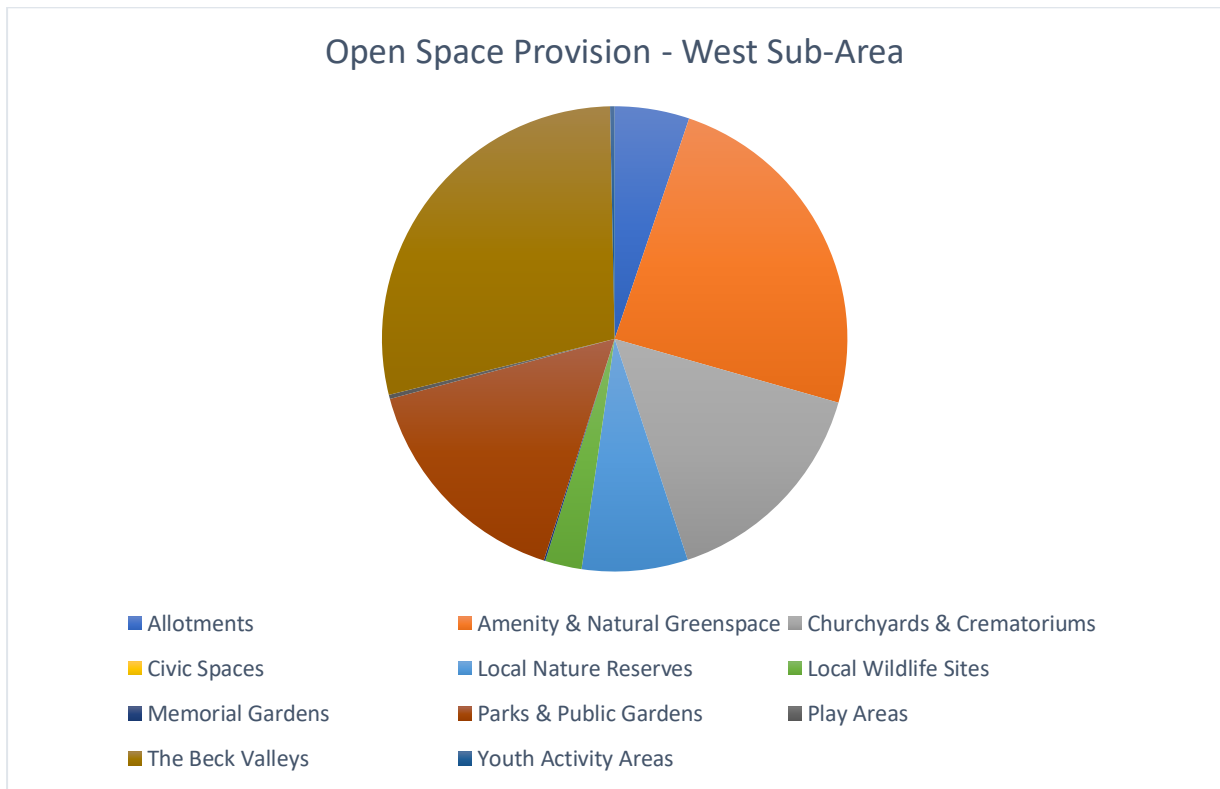
Figure 41: plan of open space provision in West sub-area



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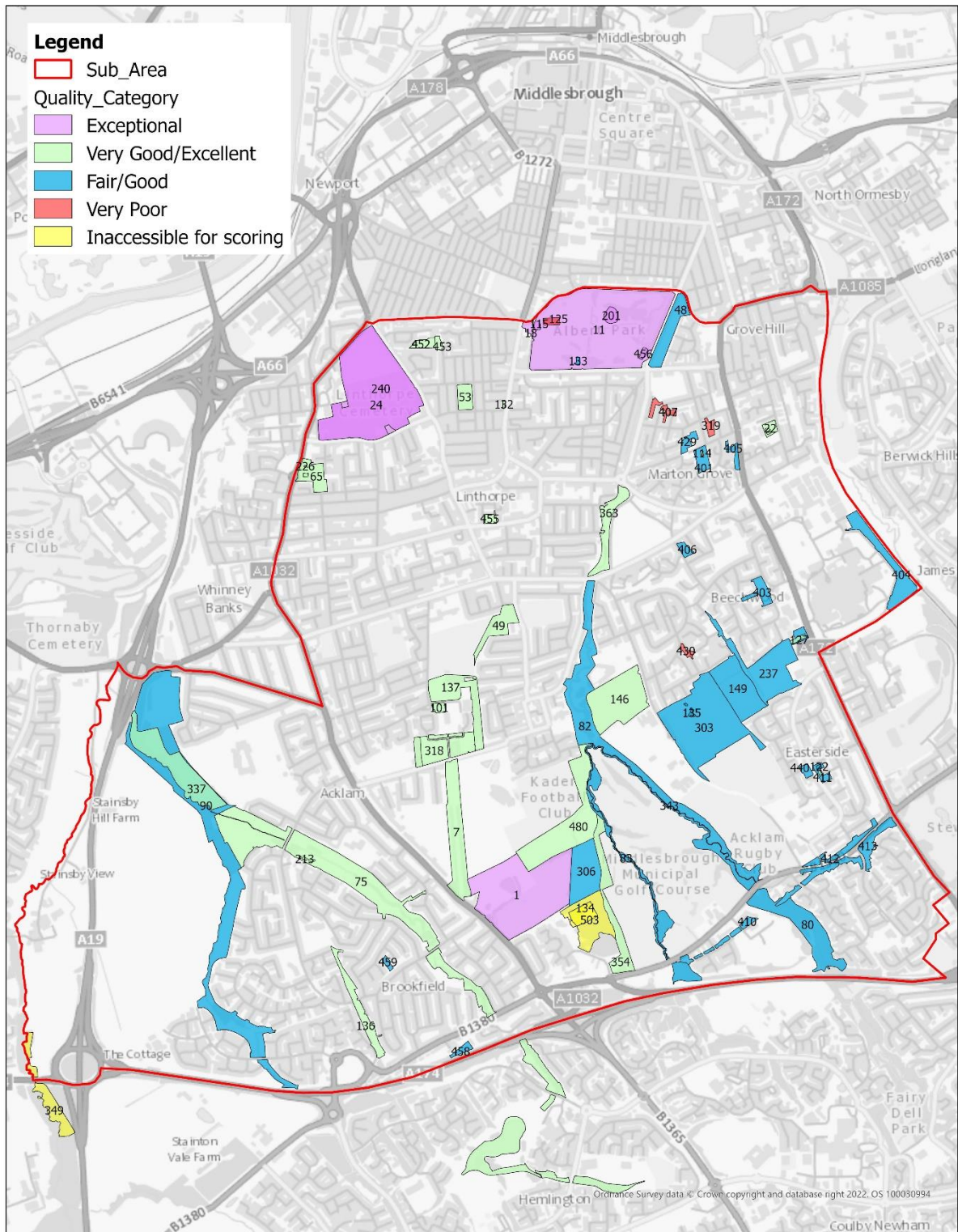


Figure 42: pie-chart of open space provision in West sub-area



# West Middlesbrough Open Space: Quality Assessment

Figure 43: plan of open space quality assessment in West sub-area




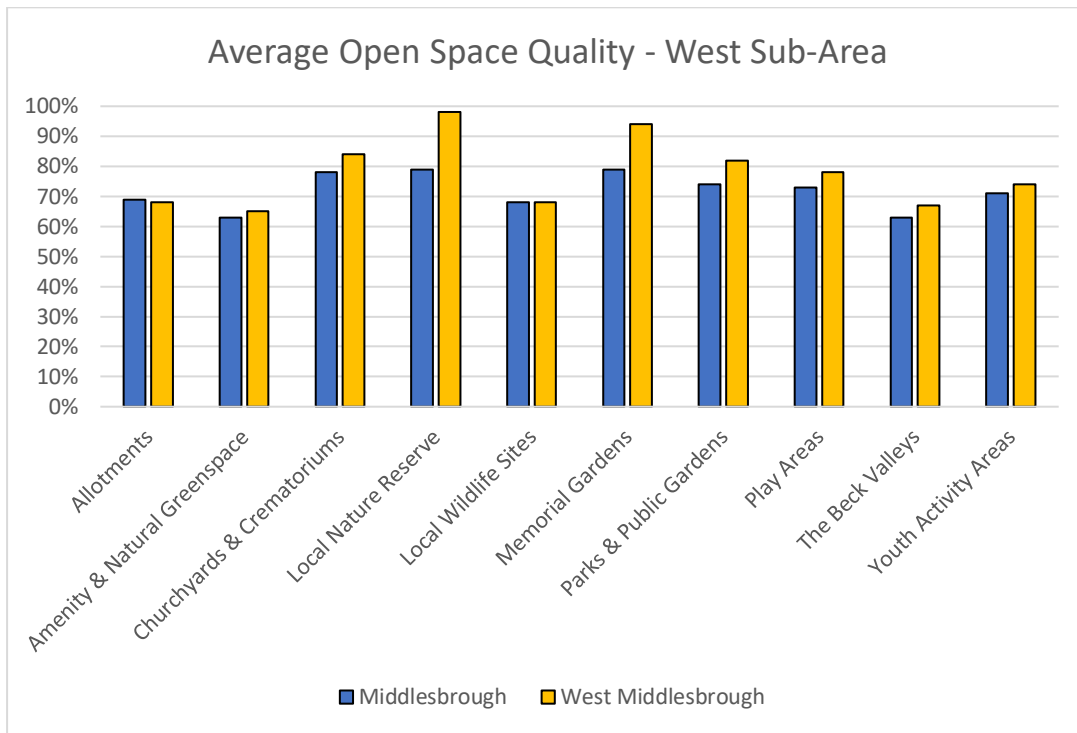
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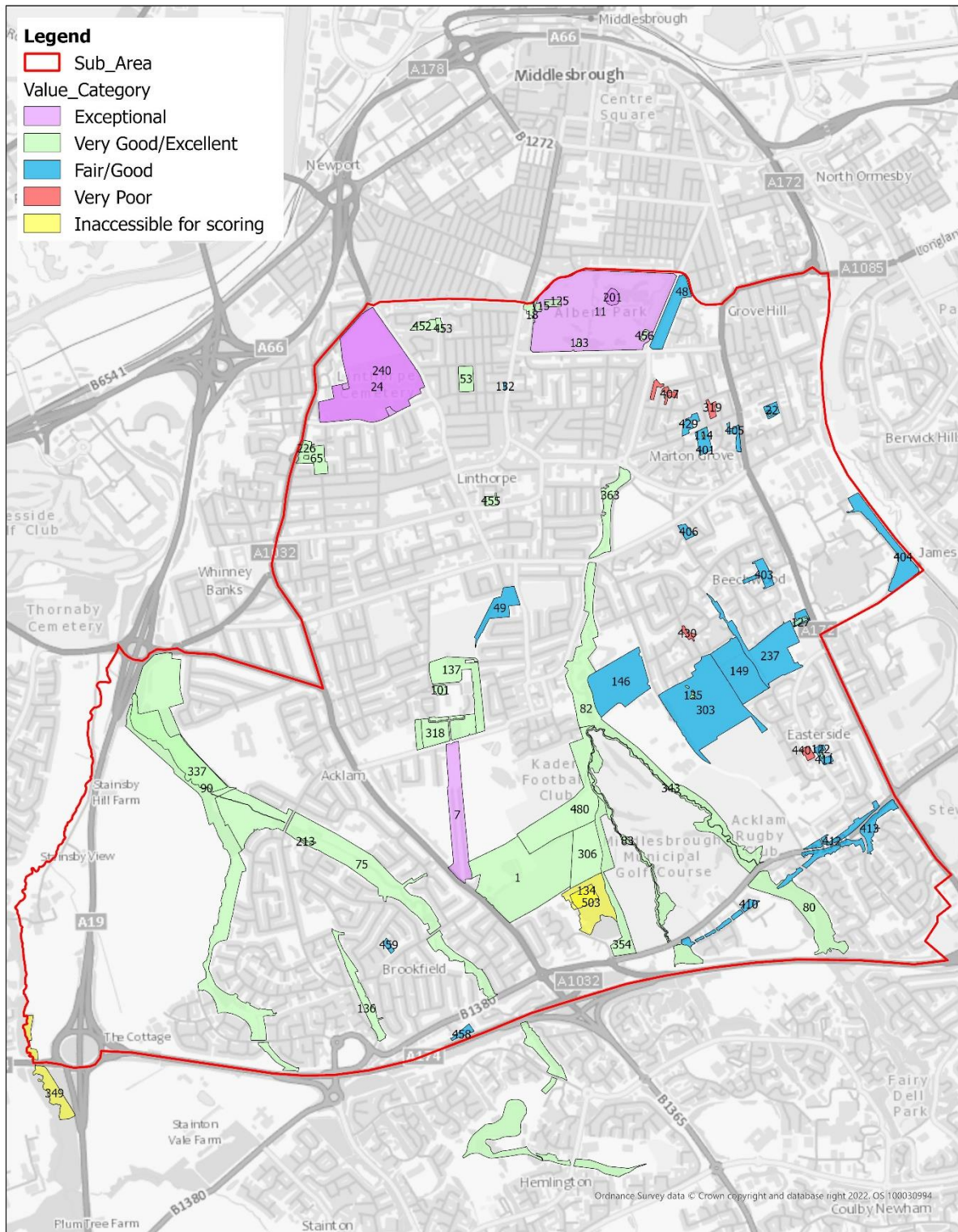


Figure 44: graph comparing quality of open space in West sub-area with overall Borough



# West Middlesbrough Open Space: Value Assessment

Figure 45: plan of value assessment results in West sub-area




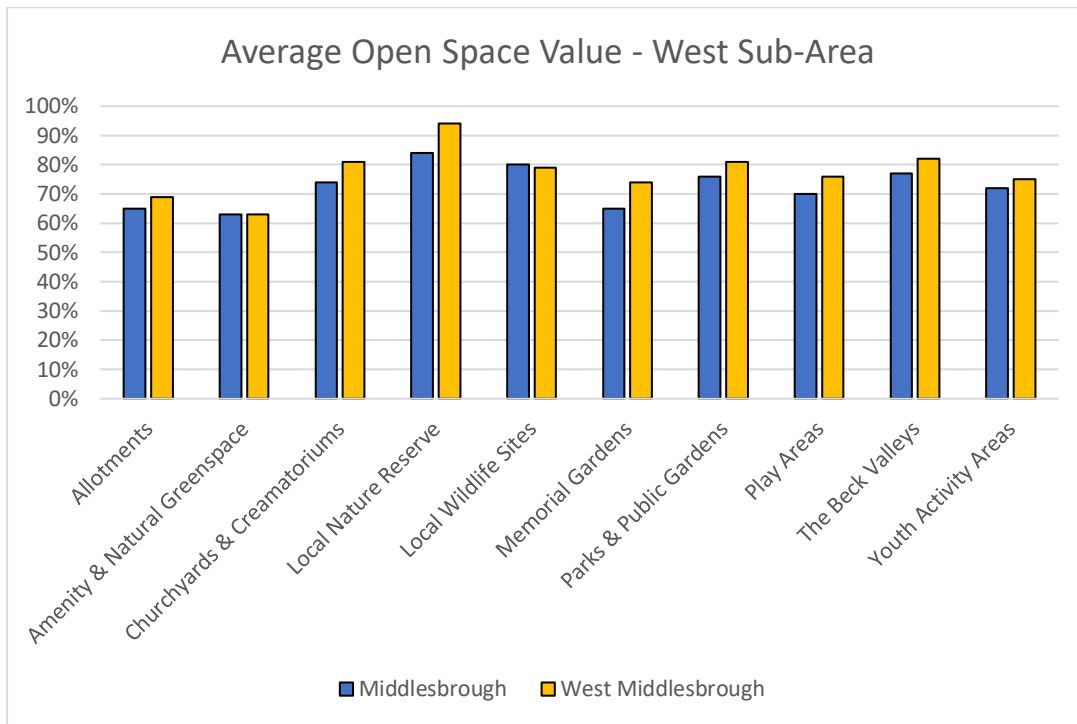
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Figure 46: graph comparing open space value in West sub-area with overall Borough





## Summary: Changes and Progress since the 2017 OSNA

43. Since the publication of the 2017 OSNA several of the open space categories/typologies have been removed from the open space inventory database. These include bowling greens, golf courses, sports & recreational centres, sports pitches, synthetic turf pitches, tennis courts and school sites. The reasons for removal of these open space categories/typologies are that they either form part of the Playing Pitch Strategy, are not accessible to the public and/or are subject to an entrance fee or membership fee, and as such are not freely accessible to the public.
44. The removal of these categories/typologies has had an impact on some of the results used to compare data from the 2017 OSNA with this OSNA. Furthermore, although 72 sites have been added to the inventory, the removal of the above categories/typologies has resulted in a decrease in the total amount of open space land assessed in this OSNA compared to the 2017 OSNA.
45. This is not an actual decrease in the total amount of land covered by open spaces, it's just a decrease due to the removal of the above sites from the inventory. If these categories/typologies had not been removed from the inventory, then there would have been a significant increase in the overall amount of open space assessed due to the inclusion of the 72 additional sites. Therefore, a degree of caution is required when comparing overall results between the two OSNAs.
46. The graphs showing the overall average scores for quality and value (page 49) compared to the previous assessment in 2017 indicate that the quality score for civic spaces has improved since 2017, whereas the other categories of open space have declined. The value score for cemeteries and crematoriums (up 1%), and civic spaces (up 5%) have also improved since 2017, the score for memorial gardens has remained static and the other categories of open space have declined.
47. A contributing factor in the decline of the quality and value of sites since the 2017 OSNA can be attributed to the COVID19 pandemic and the interruption of regular maintenance programmes. It is anticipated that as the maintenance programmes become more regular the quality and value of spaces should improve.

## Summary: 2022 Assessment

### Quantity of open space

48. The previous OSNA established targets for the quantity and accessibility of different types of open space. These targets and the results of this assessment are set out in Table 13.
49. The quantity targets are expressed as area of open space required per head of population (or per 1,000 population as appropriate). Therefore, as would be expected, an increase in population will lead to a need for a greater quantity of open space whereas a decline in population will lead to a need for less open space.
50. The following typologies of open space achieve the quantity target:
- amenity and natural green space, churchyards and crematoriums, local nature reserves, and beck valleys;<sup>1</sup>
  - parks and public gardens.
51. The following typologies of open space are below the quantity target:
- allotments;
  - youth activity areas.
52. The target for allotments was narrowly missed, with 14.9 allotment plots per 1000 population compared to a target of 15 plots. The provision of youth activity areas was significantly below the target, with 212m<sup>2</sup> per 1,000 population compared to the target of 300m<sup>2</sup>.
53. The following typologies of open space do not have quantity targets:
- civic spaces;
  - local wildlife sites;
  - memorial gardens;
  - play areas.

### Accessibility of open space

54. There are accessibility targets for four typologies of open space – amenity and natural green space, parks and public gardens, play areas, and youth activity areas - expressed as straight line distance from the open space. These accessibility distances are shown in Figures 9, 15, 16 and 18 as yellow buffer zones.
55. The gaps in provision, where the accessibility distances are not achieved are set out below.
- Amenity and natural open space – there are gaps in provision in the North of the Borough around the Town Centre and Middlehaven.
  - Parks and public gardens – significant gaps in provision in the West sub-area of town, primarily in the Trimdon ward and to a lesser extent in Kader, Ladgate and Longlands & Beechwood wards. Other residential areas that are not within 700m of a Park or Public

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<sup>1</sup> The quantity target is based on the cumulative quantity of these four typologies of open space combined.

Gardens include parts of the wards of Acklam, Ayresome, Brambles & Thorntree, Park End & Beechwood, and Nunthorpe.

- Play areas – there are gaps in provision in the North sub-area in Central ward around the Town Centre and Middlehaven and to a lesser extent in the South of Ayresome ward; within the West sub-area in parts of Acklam, Park, Kader and Ladgate wards; and in the South sub-area in parts of Coulby Newham, Marton West and Nunthorpe wards.
- Youth activity areas – there are significant gaps in provision in the West sub-area (within Acklam, Kader and Trimdon wards) and the South sub-area (within Nunthorpe and parts of Marton East, Marton West, Coulby Newham and Stainton & Thornton wards). There are smaller gaps in provision in the North sub-area within parts of Ayresome and Central wards and within the East sub-area in parts of North Ormesby, and Park End & Beckfield wards.

#### Quality of open space in the sub-areas

56. In the North sub-area the average quality of amenity & natural greenspace, civic spaces, local wildlife sites, play areas and youth activity areas were above the average quality for Middlesbrough as a whole. Whereas the average quality of allotments, local nature reserves, memorial gardens and parks & public gardens were below the borough wide average. The biggest differences were the quality of play areas (+10%), memorial gardens (-16%) and local nature reserves (-10%).
57. In the East sub-area the average quality of all typologies of open space were below the average quality for Middlesbrough as a whole. The biggest differences were the quality of local nature reserves (-18%), local wildlife sites (-10%) and play areas (-10%).
58. In the South sub-area the average quality of most typologies of open space were above the average quality for Middlesbrough as a whole. Exceptions were memorial gardens and youth activity areas which were below average and parks & public gardens and beck valleys which were the same as the borough wide average. The differential between the average quality of open space in the South sub-area was within 10% of the average quality in Middlesbrough for all typologies of open space.
59. In the West sub-area the average quality of most typologies of open space were above the average quality for Middlesbrough. The only exceptions were allotments which were below average and local wildlife sites which were the same as the average quality score. The biggest differences in quality compared to the borough wide average were local nature reserves (+19%) and memorial gardens (+15%).
60. Overall, the East sub-area is the part of the borough where the quality of open space is lower than the other areas.



## Summary: Recommendations

### Improving the quality of low-scoring sites in this assessment

61. Several sites were scored very poor (scored below 50%) in the assessment. Opportunities to improve the quality of these sites should be pursued<sup>2</sup>:

- Amenity and Natural Green Spaces:
  - site 301 Millbrook Avenue
  - site 309 Millfield Road
  - site 319 Marton Grove Road
  - site 407 Eden Road
  - site 430 Gleaston Crescent
  - site 433 Garth Walk
  - site 449 Chesterwood
  - site 500 Castlewood
  - site 501 Glentworth
- Parks and Public Gardens
  - site 25 Glebe Road Recreation Ground
  - site 315 Tower Green
- Play Areas
  - site 217 Millbrook Avenue
- Youth Activity Areas
  - site 58 Newham Way
  - site 125 Albert Park (North)
  - site 243 Glebe Road Recreation Ground

### Focus upon improving the quality of typologies that have declined since the 2017 OSNA.

- Out of the 11 typologies assessed, nine saw a decrease in average quality. Opportunities to improve the following typologies (which saw the largest declines in quality) should be sought:
  - Allotments;
  - Amenity and Natural Green Spaces;
  - Local Nature Reserves;
  - Parks and Public Gardens;
  - Play Areas; and,
  - Youth Activity Areas.

### Focus open space improvements towards the weaker performing areas – North, East and South Middlesbrough

- Examining the average score of each open space typology across Middlesbrough's sub-areas in the East and North of Middlesbrough had the most significant number of typologies that

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<sup>2</sup> Since the date of the assessment funding for improvements to the Glebe Road and Newham Way sites from the government's Town Fund has been announced.

were below the overall town average. Specific typologies to focus upon improving in each area would be:

- Amenity and Natural Green Space, Play Areas and Youth Activity Areas should be the key types of open space to be improved in the North and East.
- Youth Activity Areas provision in the south sub-area.

Summary: Provision Targets

Table 14: provision targets

Typology	Actual Provision 2005	Actual Provision 2012	Actual Provision 2017	Target for 2022	Distance Threshold for 2022	Actual Provision for 2022	Performance
<b>Allotments</b>	-	19.7 plots per 1,000 households	251,717 m <sup>2</sup> total provision Approximately 900 plots 15.7 plots per 1,000 households	15 plots per 1,000 households	-	272,025 m <sup>2</sup> Approximately 900 plots 14.9 allotments per 1,000 households	1% below target (- 0.1 plots per 1,000 households below target)  Figure is based on an estimated number of 900 plots and does not include pocket allotments.  8% increase in quantity of allotment land assessed since 2017 (+20,308 m <sup>2</sup> )
<b>Amenity &amp; Natural Greenspace</b>	29.91 m <sup>2</sup> per person	24.9 m <sup>2</sup> per person	1,030,709 m <sup>2</sup> (Amenity & Natural Greenspace only) 7 m <sup>2</sup> per person  3,386,882 m <sup>2</sup> total provision (including	25.5 m <sup>2</sup> per person (including Churchyards and	950 m	1,709,834 m <sup>2</sup> (Amenity & Natural Greenspace only) 11.88 m <sup>2</sup> per person  4,528,052m <sup>2</sup> (including Churchyards and	Target (including Churchyards and Crematoriums,



			<i>Churchyards and Crematoriums, Local Nature Reserves and The Beck Valleys)</i> 24.47 m <sup>2</sup> per person	<i>Crematoriums, Local Nature Reserves and The Beck Valleys)</i>		<i>Crematoriums, Local Nature Reserves and The Beck Valleys)</i> 31.47 m <sup>2</sup> per person	<i>Local Nature Reserves and The Beck Valleys)</i> exceeded by 5.97 m <sup>2</sup> per person.  The above figure includes land in private ownership  66% increase in quantity of Amenity & Natural Greenspace land assessed since 2017 (+679,125 m <sup>2</sup> )
<b>Churchyards &amp; Crematorium</b>	Area to contribute towards the overall quantity standard for Amenity & Natural Greenspace	Area to contribute towards the overall quantity standard for Amenity & Natural Greenspace	427,396 m <sup>2</sup> Area to contribute towards the overall quantity standard for Amenity & Natural Greenspace	Area to contribute towards the overall quantity standard for Amenity & Natural Greenspace	-	568,598 m <sup>2</sup>	33% increase in quantity of Churchyards & Crematorium land assessed since 2017 (+141,202 m <sup>2</sup> )
<b>Civic Spaces</b>	-	-	33,392 m <sup>2</sup>	No minimum quantity – to be assessed on quality only	-	42,817 m <sup>2</sup>	28% increase in quantity of Civic Spaces land assessed since 2017 (+9,425 m <sup>2</sup> )
<b>Local Nature Reserves (LNR)</b>	Area to contribute towards the overall quantity standard for Amenity & Natural Greenspace	Area to contribute towards the overall quantity standard for Amenity & Natural Greenspace	238,942 m <sup>2</sup>	Area to contribute towards the overall quantity standard for Amenity & Natural Greenspace	-	355,685 m <sup>2</sup>	49% increase in quantity of LNR land assessed since 2017 (+116,743 m <sup>2</sup> )

<b>Local Wildlife Sites (LWS)</b>	-	-	555,450 m <sup>2</sup>	No minimum requirement – sites assessed periodically to ensure they meet the required fauna and flora criteria for inclusion as LWS	-	573,970 m <sup>2</sup>	3% increase in quantity of LWS land assessed since 2017 (+18,520 m <sup>2</sup> )
<b>Memorial Gardens</b>	-	-	9,910 m <sup>2</sup>	No minimum requirement	-	9,450 m <sup>2</sup>	5% decrease in quantity of Memorial Gardens land assessed since 2017 (-460 m <sup>2</sup> )
<b>Parks &amp; Public Gardens</b>	16.17 m <sup>2</sup> per person	13.5 m <sup>2</sup> per person	1,902,431 m <sup>2</sup> 13.75 m <sup>2</sup> per person	13 m <sup>2</sup> per person	700 m	1,873,876 m <sup>2</sup> 13.02 m <sup>2</sup> per person	Target exceeded by 0.2 m <sup>2</sup> per person  1.5% decrease in quantity of Park & Public Garden land assessed since 2017 (-28,555 m <sup>2</sup> )
<b>Play Areas</b>	0.29 m <sup>2</sup> per person	0.34 m <sup>2</sup> per person	47,600 m <sup>2</sup> 0.34 m <sup>2</sup> per person	No minimum requirement	1,000 m	39,154 m <sup>2</sup> 0.27 m <sup>2</sup> per person	18% decrease in quantity of Play Areas land assessed since 2017 (-8446 m <sup>2</sup> )
<b>The Beck Valleys</b>	Area to contribute towards the overall quantity standard for	Area to contribute towards the overall quantity standard for	1,689,835 m <sup>2</sup> Area to contribute towards the overall quantity standard for	Area to contribute towards the overall quantity standard for	-	1,893,934 m <sup>2</sup>	12% increase in amount of Beck Valleys land assessed since 2017

	Amenity & Natural Greenspace	Amenity & Natural Greenspace	Amenity & Natural Greenspace	Amenity & Natural Greenspace			(+ 204,099 m <sup>2</sup> )
<b>Youth Activity Areas</b>	0.10 m <sup>2</sup> per person	351.1 m <sup>2</sup> per 1,000 population	41,557 m <sup>2</sup> 300.27 m <sup>2</sup> per 1,000 population	A minimum of 300 m <sup>2</sup> per 1,000 population	1,000 m	30,476 m <sup>2</sup> 211.79 m <sup>2</sup> per 1,000 population	29% below target (-88.21 m <sup>2</sup> per 1,000 population)  27% reduction in Youth Activity Areas land assessed since 2017 (-11,081 m <sup>2</sup> )
<b>Total Resident Population = 143,900</b>		<b>Total Households = 60,300 (Source: ONS Census Data 2021)</b>					



## Appendix 1: Site Index

Table 15: list of sites

I.D No.	Category of Space	Location	Size Sq.m
1	Churchyards and crematoriums	Acklam and Teesside Cemetery	175966.0
2	Local Wildlife sites	Teessaurus Park	22990.9
3	Churchyards and crematoriums	St Peters and St Pauls	7355.1
4	Churchyards and crematoriums	St Cuthberts Church Cemetery	4793.5
5	Churchyards and crematoriums	St Mary's Church, Nunthorpe	5557.1
7	Parks and public gardens	Avenue of trees, Acklam	60938.7
11	Parks and public gardens	Albert Park	286455.8
12	Parks and public gardens	Ayresome Gardens	22696.4
13	Parks and public gardens	Bonygrove Park	69913.4
14	Parks and public gardens	Brabourne Gardens	28883.5
15	Parks and public gardens	Carter Park	2960.1
16	Parks and public gardens	Central Gardens - The Lake	9316.6
17	Memorial Gardens	Marton Memorial Garden	1405.9
18	Memorial Gardens	Linthorpe Cenotaph	1570.4
20	Civic spaces	Zetland Square	1152.8
21	Parks and public gardens	Cypress Road	12443.9
22	Parks and public gardens	Longlands Doorstep Green	4913.0
23	Parks and public gardens	Fairydell	39867.7
24	Churchyards and crematoriums	Linthorpe Cemetery	209380.2
25	Parks and public gardens	Glebe Road Rec Ground	4121.8
28	Parks and public gardens	Hemlington Rec Ground	250897.8
29	Parks and public gardens	Henry Street	43055.6
30	The Beck Valleys	Newham Beck South	44467.7
32	Allotments	Hemlington Recreation Centre	2165.7
33	Amenity and natural green spaces	Crossfell Road	21746.5
35	Parks and public gardens	Laycock Gardens	18013.3
36	Parks and public gardens	Lingfield Park	76010.1
38	Amenity and natural green spaces	Stainton Way	42244.8
39	Amenity and natural green spaces	Margaret Street	3149.4
46	Parks and public gardens	Pallister Park	111140.8
48	Amenity and natural green spaces	Clairville Common	28959.2
49	Amenity and natural green spaces	Prospect (NALGO)	22204.0
50	Parks and public gardens	Saltwells Road	4369.4
51	Play areas	Stainton Way	560.3
52	Play areas	Stewart Park	2747.2
53	Parks and public gardens	St Barnabas Rec Ground	11214.3
54	Parks and public gardens	Stewart Park	456453.5
56	Amenity and natural green spaces	Lingfield Ash	12226.6
58	Youth activity areas	Newham Way	405.3

59	Parks and public gardens	Teessaurus Park	27048.6
60	Parks and public gardens	The Avenue	27534.9
61	Parks and public gardens	Thorntree Park	48265.5
63	Amenity and natural green spaces	Southwood	66992.2
65	Parks and public gardens	Westbourne Park	19105.7
66	Amenity and natural green spaces	Whinney Banks	172944.2
68	The Beck Valleys	Cypress Road Beck	35059.8
69	The Beck Valleys	Middlebeck	94815.5
70	The Beck Valleys	Spencer Beck	80381.3
72	Local Wildlife Sites	Whinney Banks Pond	6905.9
74	The Beck Valleys	Newham Way (Newham Beck)	101774.9
75	The Beck Valleys	Blue Bell Beck	296709.4
76	Amenity and natural green spaces	Coulby Newham Pond	9095.2
80	The Beck Valleys	Marton West Beck North	63651.5
81	The Beck Valleys	Fairy Dell (Marton West Beck)	134873.9
82	The Beck Valleys	Marton West Beck (North and East of golf course)	148061.7
83	The Beck Valleys	Newham Beck	52468.2
87	The Beck Valleys	Ormesby Beck	255470.8
90	The Beck Valleys	Saffwood Beck	293717.3
92	Civic spaces	Captain Cooks Square	4810.1
94	Civic spaces	Dundas Street and Pedestrianised Town Centre	9721.4
95	Youth activity areas	Ayresome Gardens	381.7
96	Youth activity areas	Laycock Gardens	720.5
97	Parks and public gardens	Kellgate Green	7085
98	Local Nature Reserves	Stainton Quarry	28130.2
101	Churchyards and crematoriums	St Marys Church Cemetery, Acklam	3418.7
103	Youth activity areas	Hemlington Recreation Centre	4230.4
104	Youth activity areas	Prissick Skate Plaza	5964.7
108	Memorial Gardens	Nunthorpe War Memorial	112.8
110	Youth activity areas	College Road M.U.G.A.	1704.2
111	Youth activity areas	Thorntree Park M.U.G.A.	2072.2
112	Youth activity areas	Pallister Park	2970.6
114	Youth activity areas	Bishopton Road M.U.G.A.	450.1
115	Memorial Gardens	Albert Park	1471.3
121	Youth activity areas	Longlands Doorstep Green M.U.G.A.	312.4
122	Youth activity areas	Broughton Avenue	555.9
123	Youth activity areas	Westbourne Park	513.3
125	Youth activity areas	Albert Park (North)	3467.7
127	Youth activity areas	Beechwood BMX Track and M.U.G.A.	1900.9
131	Civic spaces	North Ormesby Market Place	4653.1
132	Parks and public gardens	Linthorpe Village Rest Gardens	534.5
133	Allotments	Albert Park Community Growing Area	974.6
134	Allotments	Natures World Community Growing Area	11889.5
135	Play areas	Saltersgill Field	1042.9
136	Amenity and natural green spaces	Rear of Topcliffe Drive	24631.7
137	Amenity and natural green spaces	Eastwood and Westwood	48992.5
146	Allotments	Saltersgill	74296.8

147	Allotments	Berwick Hills Allotments and Edible Forest	11906.5
148	Allotments	Letitia Street	5841.1
149	Allotments	Beechwood	54638.5
150	Allotments	Town Farm	77951.2
151	Allotments	White house	26723.2
152	Civic spaces	Central Gardens fronting Mima	13981.7
153	Civic spaces	Exchange Square	2053.7
158	Allotments	Lingfield Allotments	1755.9
201	Play areas	Albert Park	5486.8
202	Play areas	Ayresome Gardens	553.2
204	Play areas	Bonnygrove Park	1083.6
205	Play areas	Brabourn Gardens	538.9
206	Play areas	Broughton Avenue	492.3
207	Play areas	Charlbury Road	314.2
210	Play areas	Hemlington Recreation Ground	858.9
211	Play areas	Henry Street Recreation Ground	1158.4
212	Play areas	Laycock Gardens	1459.0
213	Play areas	Kader Avenue	642.8
214	Play areas	Longlands Doorstep Green	329.6
215	Play areas	Lingfield Farm	2094.9
216	Play areas	Cypress Road	342.2
217	Play areas	Millbrook Avenue	1572.9
220	Play areas	Pallister Park	7021.5
221	Play areas	Saltwells Road	510.7
222	Play areas	Sandringham Road	1084.7
224	Play areas	The Avenue	4934.2
225	Play areas	Thorntree Park	1135.2
226	Play areas	Westbourne Park	142.2
227	Play areas	Whisperdale Court	497.6
228	Play areas	Netherfields Community Centre	621.3
229	Amenity and natural green spaces	3 Cs Open Space	8292.7
230	Amenity and natural green spaces	Longlands Road	25673.9
231	Churchyards and crematoriums	North Ormesby Cemetery	27800.5
232	Churchyards and crematoriums	St Joseph's Cemetery	18222.4
233	Churchyards and crematoriums	Thorntree RC Cemetery	26108.6
234	Churchyards and crematoriums	Thorntree Cemetery	43354.9
235	Amenity and natural green spaces	Brinewells Gardens	10306.7
237	Amenity and natural green spaces	Beechwood	71147.0
240	Local Nature Reserves	Linthorpe Cemetery	206679.8
241	Local Nature Reserves	Berwick Hills	91223.5
243	Youth activity areas	Glebe Road Recreational Ground	140.6
245	Amenity and natural green spaces	Sudbury Pond	5342.8
246	Parks and public gardens	Sandringham Road	14053.7
249	Youth activity areas	Sandringham Road M.U.G.A. and skatepark	1075.5
299	The Beck Valleys	Marton West Beck (North of Stainton Way)	54545.3

301	Amenity and natural green spaces	Millbrook Avenue	36525.3
302	Amenity and natural green spaces	Hoskins Way	11100.5
303	Amenity and natural green spaces	Saltersgill	142505.8
304	The Beck Valleys	Marton West Beck (South of Stainton Way)	163252
306	Churchyards and crematoriums	Acklam and Teesside Cemetery (land for future extension)	46641.1
309	Amenity and natural green spaces	Millfield Road	10484.4
310	Amenity and natural green spaces	Prissick Base	100068.1
312	Amenity and natural green spaces	South West Ironmasters Park	21720.3
313	Parks and public gardens	King Edwards Square	8448.7
315	Parks and public gardens	Tower Green	5363.1
317	Parks and public gardens	St. Johns Gate Park	2887.5
318	Parks and public gardens	Acklam Hall Lawns	36893.6
319	Amenity and natural green spaces	Marton Grove Road	3627.1
320	Amenity and natural green spaces	Park Vale Road	1913.9
322	Parks and public gardens	Maze Park	118597.8
323	Amenity and natural green spaces	Charlbury Road	2745.4
324	Amenity and natural green spaces	Fordyce Road	6996.2
325	Parks and public gardens	Enderby Gardens	4621.9
336	Local Wildlife Sites	Ormesby Beck	11811.1
337	Local Wildlife sites	Bluebell Beck	71552.8
339	Local Wildlife sites	Maltby Beck and Throstle Nest	18469
340	Local Wildlife sites	Marton West Beck - Bonnygrove	43030.1
341	Local Wildlife sites	Marton West Beck and Anderson's Field	39241
342	Local Wildlife sites	Marton West Beck – Fairy Dell	90274.7
343	Local Wildlife sites	Marton West Beck – Newham Beck	5337.1
344	Local Wildlife Sites	Middle Beck	1798.9
345	Local Wildlife sites	Newham Beck	37485.9
346	Local Wildlife sites	Old River Tees	5022.9
347	Local Wildlife sites	Plum Tree Farm	21479.1
348	Amenity and natural green spaces	Plum Tree Farm - Low Lane	9834.5
349	Local Wildlife sites	Stainsby Wood	28334.7
353	Memorial Gardens	William Thomas Garden	4889.7
354	Amenity and natural green spaces	Walkway & Cycleway West of Golf Course	41027.4
359	Amenity and natural green spaces	Maelor's Wood (and High Rifts Field)	47687.2
360	Amenity and natural green spaces	Muirfield	5574.2
361	Amenity and natural green spaces	Greytowers Village Green	3855.3
363	Parks and public gardens	James Cook Park	26993.3
387	Parks and public gardens	Transporter Urban Park	8452.9



389	Civic spaces	Dock Clock Tower corner of Dock Street & Priestman Road	2041.5
401	Amenity and natural green spaces	Bishopton Road	8908.9
402	Amenity and natural green spaces	North of Market Walk	8054.2
403	Amenity and natural green spaces	The Gardens	10598.0
404	Amenity and natural green spaces	James Cook University Hospital	37415.5
405	Amenity and natural green spaces	The Close	4905.1
406	Amenity and natural green spaces	Deepdale Avenue	4082.8
407	Amenity and natural green spaces	Eden Road	6203.0
408	Play areas	Esk Street	1247.2
409	Amenity and natural green spaces	Penrith Road	2273.7
410	Amenity and natural green spaces	Buckthorn Grove	10579.2
411	Amenity and natural green spaces	Broughton Avenue	4955.3
412	Amenity and natural green spaces	Southwick Avenue	12738.0
413	Amenity and natural green spaces	The Derby	31542.3
414	The Beck Valleys	Low Gill	68721.7
415	Amenity and natural green spaces	Low Gill View	3930.6
416	Amenity and natural green spaces	Gypsy Lane	11580.3
417	Amenity and natural green spaces	Marton Avenue Village Green	3191.5
418	The Beck Valleys	High Gill	5963.2
419	Amenity and natural green spaces	Oval View	4173.1
420	Amenity and natural green spaces	Clevegate	4551.1
421	Amenity and natural green spaces	Crookers Hill Close	2962
422	Amenity and natural green spaces	Ayton Meadows	5086.9
423	Amenity and natural green spaces	Collingham Drive	15303.6
424	Amenity and natural green spaces	Cambridge Avenue	2278.2
425	Amenity and natural green spaces	The Pastures	7067.8
426	Amenity and natural green spaces	Barrington Crescent	2689.1
427	Amenity and natural green spaces	Beresford Crescent	3023.6
428	Amenity and natural green spaces	Barsford Road	3305.1

429	Amenity and natural green spaces	Grove Hill Community Hub	5256.9
430	Amenity and natural green spaces	Gleaston Crescent	2538.4
431	Amenity and natural green spaces	West of Pallister Park	7952.1
432	Amenity and natural green spaces	Firsby Walk	2655.9
433	Amenity and natural green spaces	Garth Walk	3861.9
434	Amenity and natural green spaces	Margrove Walk	3437.1
435	Amenity and natural green spaces	Barnforth Walk	4646.6
436	Amenity and natural green spaces	Anglesey Avenue	3563.7
437	Amenity and natural green spaces	Kirkland Walk	3675.3
438	Amenity and natural green spaces	Southmead Avenue	4954.5
439	Amenity and natural green spaces	West of Southlands Centre	10672.7
440	Amenity and natural green spaces	Dipton Green	3399.0
441	Amenity and natural green spaces	Coulby Farm Way West	5927.2
442	Amenity and natural green spaces	Coulby Farm Way East	6828
443	Amenity and natural green spaces	East of Coulby Farm Pub	5569.3
444	Amenity and natural green spaces	North of Rosewood School	5345
445	Amenity and natural green spaces	Bonnygrove Way Copse	10065.1
446	Amenity and natural green spaces	Harvington Crescent	3061.8
447	Amenity and natural green spaces	Newham Way/Coulby Manor Way	13204.2
448	Amenity and natural green spaces	The Birches	9066.1
449	Amenity and natural green spaces	Chesterwood	6543.4
452	Amenity and natural green spaces	Maddren Way	5856.7
453	Amenity and natural green spaces	The Turnstile	2457.8
455	Amenity and natural green spaces	Cherryfield Drive Gardens	3715.8
456	Youth activity areas	Albert Park (South)	1680.6
458	Allotments	Rear of St. Clares RC, Low Lane	3882.2
459	Amenity and natural green spaces	Gatenby Drive (Rear of)	2200.7
460	Parks and public gardens	Rear of Cannon Park Congregational Church	1519.8
461	Parks and public gardens	Eshwood Square	2803.7

463	Amenity and natural green spaces	Fonteyn Court	7684.6
464	Amenity and natural green spaces	Dodford Road	3795.7
465	Amenity and natural green spaces	Between Cass House & Aviemore Roads	3821
466	Amenity and natural green spaces	Stainton Low Wood	70219.6
469	Play areas	Ravensgill Road	477.7
471	Play areas	Clover Field Road	203.7
473	Amenity and natural green spaces	The Spinney, corner of Hemlington Road & Vernon Court, Stainton	16036.7
474	Youth activity areas	Corner of Commercial Street & North Street	1929.9
475	Amenity and natural green spaces	Between Earls Court Road & Boscombe Gardens	5322.9
476	Amenity and natural green spaces	Between Northleach Drive & The Oaks	6520.1
477	Civic spaces	Temenos - Priestman Road	4402.9
478	Amenity and natural green spaces	Running alongside the A174 & Hemlington Hall Road	55201.4
479	Local Nature Reserves	Lower Ormesby Beck	29651.9
480	Amenity and natural green spaces	Land East and South of Kader Football Club	90112.4
481	Local Wildlife Sites	Maze Park	118597.8
482	Local Wildlife sites	Hemlington Lake	51638.5
500	Amenity and natural green spaces	Castlewood	4069.6
501	Amenity and natural green spaces	Glentworth	7955.3
502	Amenity and natural green spaces	Hemlington Hall Road/Briscoe Way	21321.9
503	Amenity and natural green spaces	Nature's World	50304.0

## Appendix 2: OSNA Walking Distance Thresholds

The Government's recently published Environmental Improvement Plan 2023 identifies as one of its key goals that everyone should live within 15 minutes' walk of a green or blue space.

*Table 16: walking distances*

<b>Distance Thresholds</b>	<b>Approximate time taken to walk distance thresholds at a slow/moderate pace of 3 miles per hour.</b>
1000m	12 minutes
950m	11 minutes
700m	9 minutes