BRIZE NORTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

APPENDIX 06

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PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY & FOOTPATHS

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Section 1 *Public Rights of Way and Footpaths*

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There are ten Public Rights of Way (PROW) in the Parish of Brize Norton as indicated on map ref 17 which comprises of one bridleway (143/1), eight footpaths (143/2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 7a, and 8)and one restricted byway (143/11).

There is also a track, known as Ting Tang Lane, which used to link Brize Norton to Worsham Mill but is now bisected by the A40 (Parish Boundary). Oxfordshire County Council have determined that this lane should be added to the 'Definitive Map and Statement of Public Rights Of Way' as a PROW and designated as a Byway Open To All Traffic (BOAT). However, to date, BNPC have not received its allocation number.

In addition to the PROW's indicated above, there are further bridleways and footpaths in the Parish as follows: Map ref 008 Area 6 Kilkenny Lane Country Park. This area, which is owned and maintained by WODC, contains numerous foot/cycle paths and a bridleway which are not detailed on OCC's Definitive Map and Statement of Public Rights Of Way and therefore are classed as Permissive Pathways.

Map ref **05** Areas 5 and 6 situated on the corner of Carterton Road and Norton Way. Area 5 contains several football pitches, cricket pitch, cricket nets, Sports Pavilion and car park. It is owned and managed by WODC.

Area 6 contains a large attenuation pond (SuDS) which is owned and managed by Thames Water.
These two areas contain part of PROW 143/3 and several footpaths which are not detailed on OCC's Definitive Map and Statement of Public Rights Of Way and therefore are classed as Permissive Pathways.

The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group have recommended the construction of a Nature Trail as indicated on map ref 006. It is proposed to run northwards from Carterton Road adjacent to WC5 [1] via a small flood area known locally as The Sallies' and onto the area adjacent to the village pond and the northern access point to PROW 143/3 from Burford Road. This Nature Trail will be contained within the northern 'Leased Field' area as indicated on map ref **05** [2}.

BNPC and the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group have recommended the construction of a foot/cycle path to link the west side of the recreation ground up to Carterton Road as indicated on map ref 17 overleaf. This foot/cycle path will be contained within the southern 'Leased field' area as indivcated on map ref **05** [3].

These two proposals will form part of the 'Connectivity' network between Kilkenny Lane Country Park in the west of the Parish, Brize Meadow, Brize Norton Village and onwards to the PROW's on the east side of the Parish.

In relation to the new development known, Brize Meadow, in addition to the existing PROW 143/3, there will be numerous additional foot/cycle paths within the Landscape Buffer Zone, **Areas 7 and 8** [4] and these will contribute to the 'Green corridor' network within the Parish. The PROW and foot/cycle paths will be within the land owned by BNPC who will own and maintain them.

A report has been obtained from Thames Valley Environmental Records Centre (TVERC) and they have identified a network of green corridors in Brize Norton in accordance with NPPF paragraph 117 [5]. All of the identified PROW's and footpaths will enhance the 'well-being' of our Community, enhance the 'Green Corridors' network throughout the Parish and improve biodiversity. The existing and proposed 'Green Corridors' are detailed on the Thames Valley Environmental Record Centre (TVERC) map ref **18**.

[1] Appendix 06 Document G Section 1, Surface Water Courses
*[2] Appendix 06 Document F Section 3 Landscape Buffer zone map ref **05** Leased Buffer Zone Area 'a'*
*[3] Appendix 06 Document F Section 3 Landscape Buffer zone map ref **05** Leased Buffer Zone Area 'b'*
*[4] Appendix 06 Document F Section 2 Map ref **05** Landscape Buffer Zone*
[5] Appendix 11 TVERC Green Corridors report

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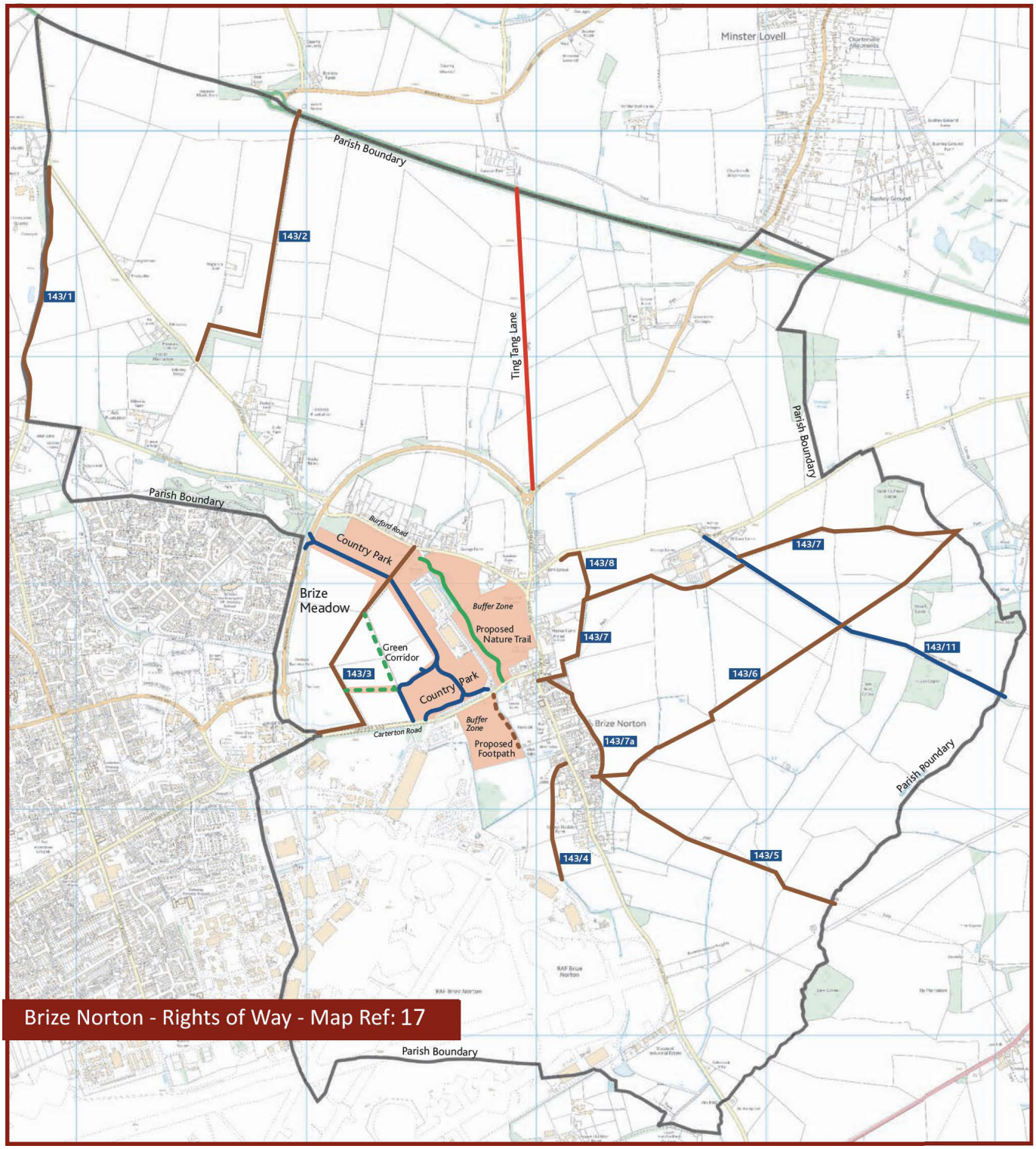

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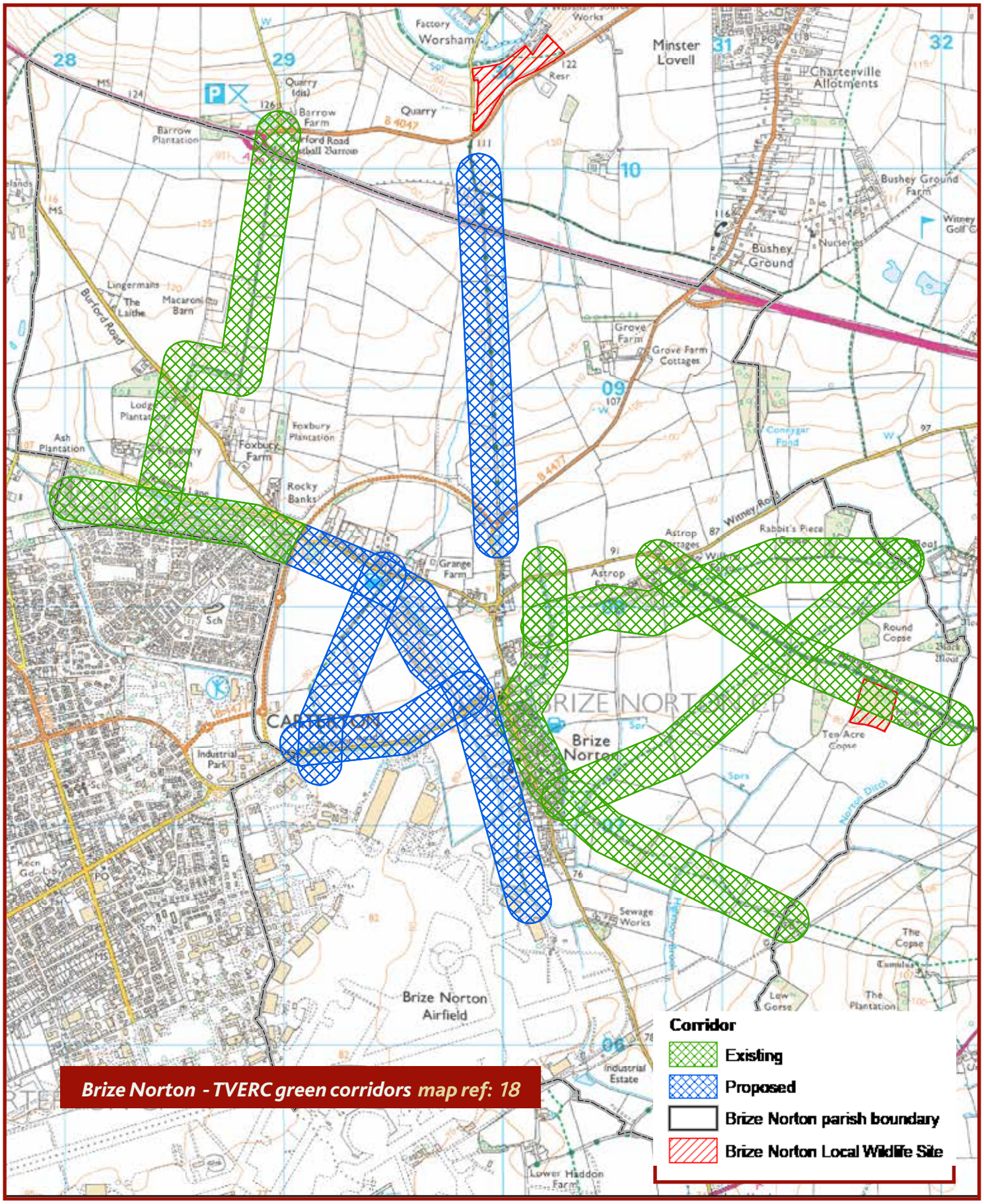

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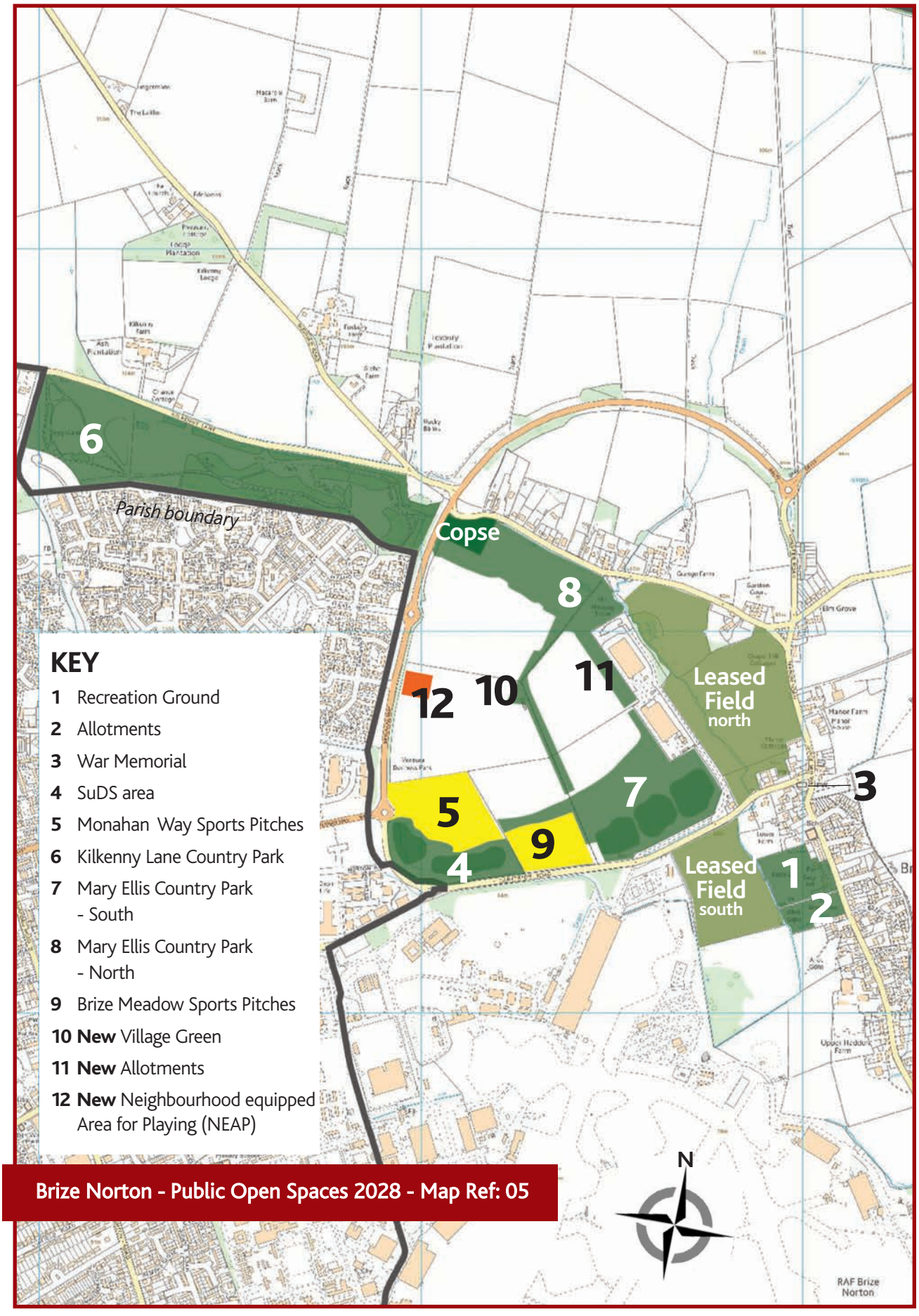

Brize Norton - Public Open Spaces 2028 - Map Ref: 05