

Royal Burgh of Wigtown & District Community Council

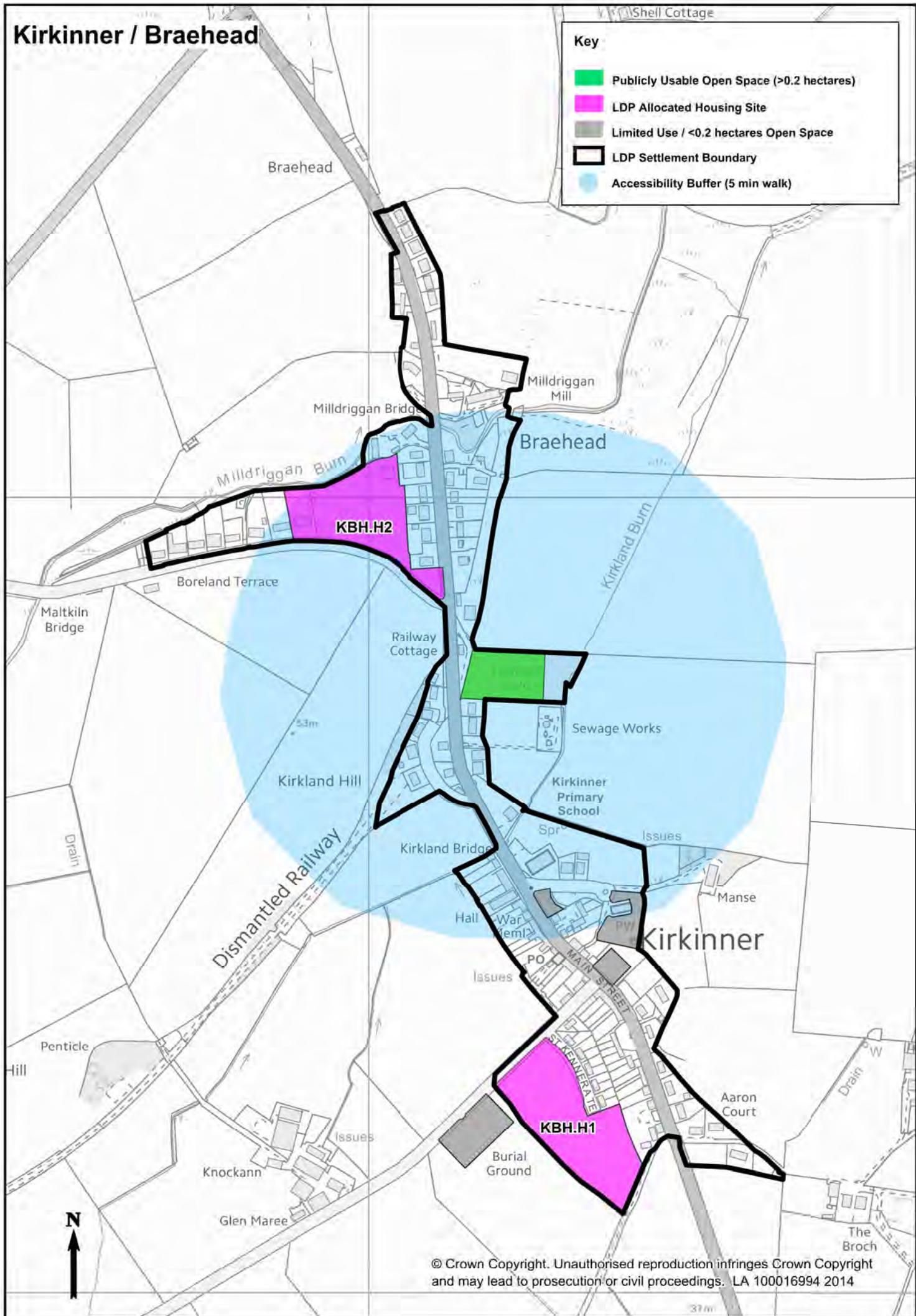
Consultations Working Party

Consulting body	Title	Closing Date	Background/Response summary	Status
Dumfries & Galloway Council	Local development plan supplementary guidance consultations	13 March	<p>The consultation is to allow the public to comment on the content of the Local Development Plan supplementary guidance.</p> <p>All comments received will be considered and as a result, amendments may be made to the supplementary guidance. The representations and finalised supplementary guidance will be reported back to committee where a decision will be made on whether to adopt the final document.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">•  Design Quality of New Development [14Mb]•  Housing Development Immediately Outside Settlement Boundaries [2Mb]•  Open Space and New Development [16Mb]	Pending

Kirkinner / Braehead

Key

- Publicly Usable Open Space (>0.2 hectares)
- LDP Allocated Housing Site
- Limited Use / <0.2 hectares Open Space
- LDP Settlement Boundary
- Accessibility Buffer (5 min walk)



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Kirkinner / Braehead**Population** approx. 350**Summary of existing open space provision**

- Kirkinner / Braehead has a total of 0.66 hectares of publicly usable open space. This equates to under 2 hectares per 1000 people which is much lower than the quantity standard for Dumfries and Galloway as a whole.

The main area of publicly usable open space is the football pitch located off the main street. There is also a small children's play area opposite the primary school. Other spaces include the two cemeteries and a bowling green.

Accessibility

As the main area of open space over 0.2 hectares is located in the centre of this linear settlement, currently, only approximately 40% of households are within a five minute walk of this space, with gaps in provision to either end.

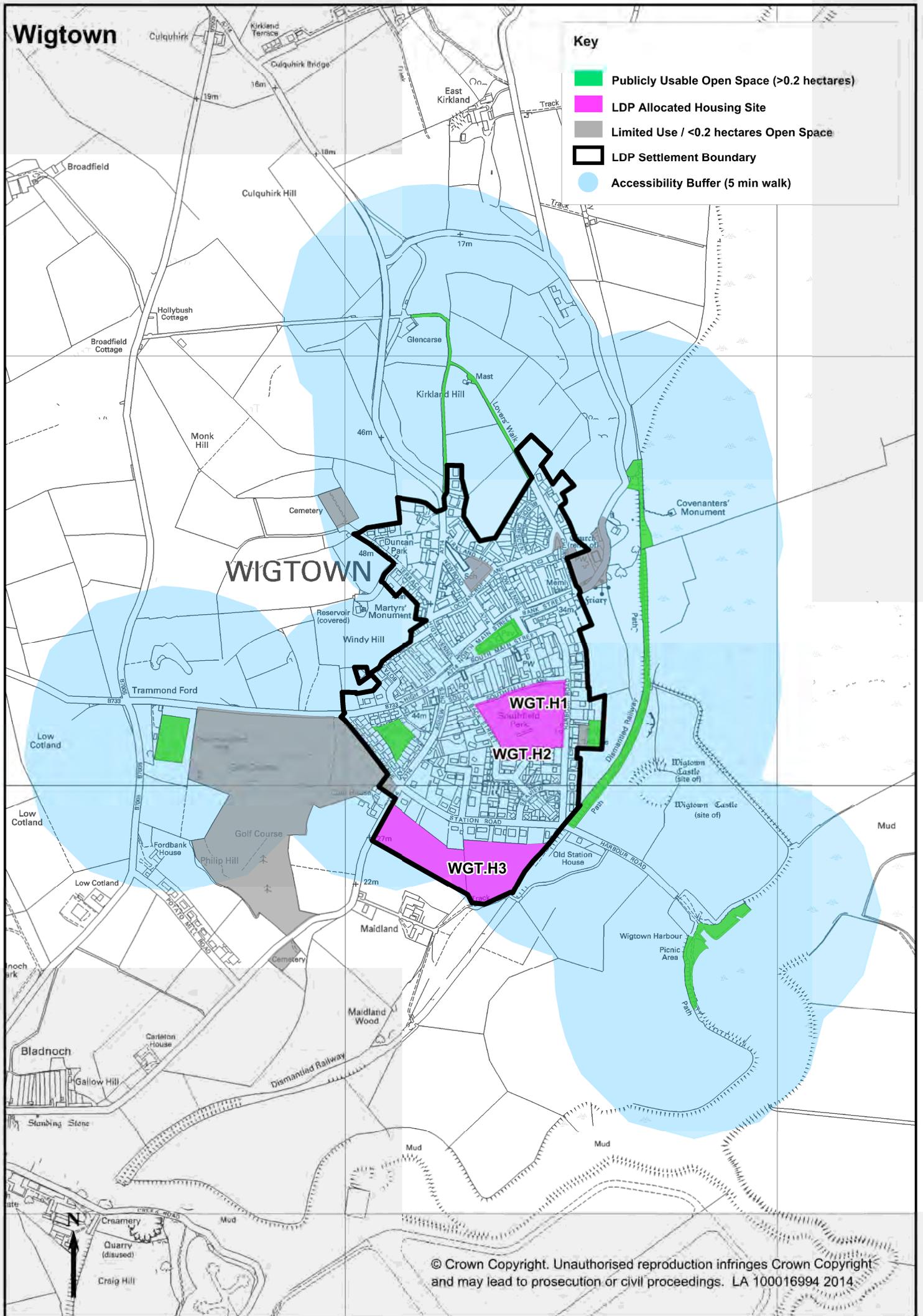
Current deficiencies / Opportunities

As the settlement falls short of the quantity standard, new development should provide additional space, especially at KBH.H1 which is not within five minutes' walk of existing space.

Wigtown

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Wigtown

Population 921 (2011 Census)

Summary of existing open space provision

- Wigtown has 4.91 hectares of publicly usable open space. This equates to just over 5 hectares per 1000 people which is lower than the quantity standard for Dumfries and Galloway as a whole.

Despite the overall shortfall in quantity, there is a good range of open space provided within Wigtown with only allotments and civic spaces not provided. However, the design of Main Street, with the position of the central park, is likely to substitute for the deficiency in civic space provision. The majority of open space provision is provided through green corridors and core paths, including the Wigtown Pathway site which follows the former route of the Wigtown Railway line and Lovers' Walk to the north of the settlement. Sites such as these paths and Wigtown Harbour also offer easy access to more natural open space provision. There are also amenity greenspace sites distributed throughout the settlement, two incorporating play areas.

All open space sites in Wigtown are recognised for their importance and high value. The two sites most highly valued include Lightlands Terrace, which offers a number of different facilities including a play area and MUGA, and Main Street Park. This reflects the role these sites provide in offering opportunities for recreational and social interaction.

Accessibility

Currently, all households are within a five minute walk of publicly usable open space of at least 0.2 hectares in size.

Current deficiencies / Opportunities

As there is a shortfall in the open space in relation to the quantity standard, allocated housing sites should provide some on-site open space. There are also many opportunities to enhance the green network of Wigtown and ensure new development contributes to and can make use of the existing access routes and links to open space.