

Appendix C

Dunstable Town Council Working Group Proposals for the Community Governance Review

Proposal 1

To amend the parish boundary to include the land shown.

The land marked in purple is owned by Dunstable Town Council and is provided as part of the Downside Recreation Ground.

The land marked in red is agricultural land known as Cottage Bottom Field. The land is owned by CBC at present. Dunstable Town Council intend to purchase the land and develop a new cemetery on the site.

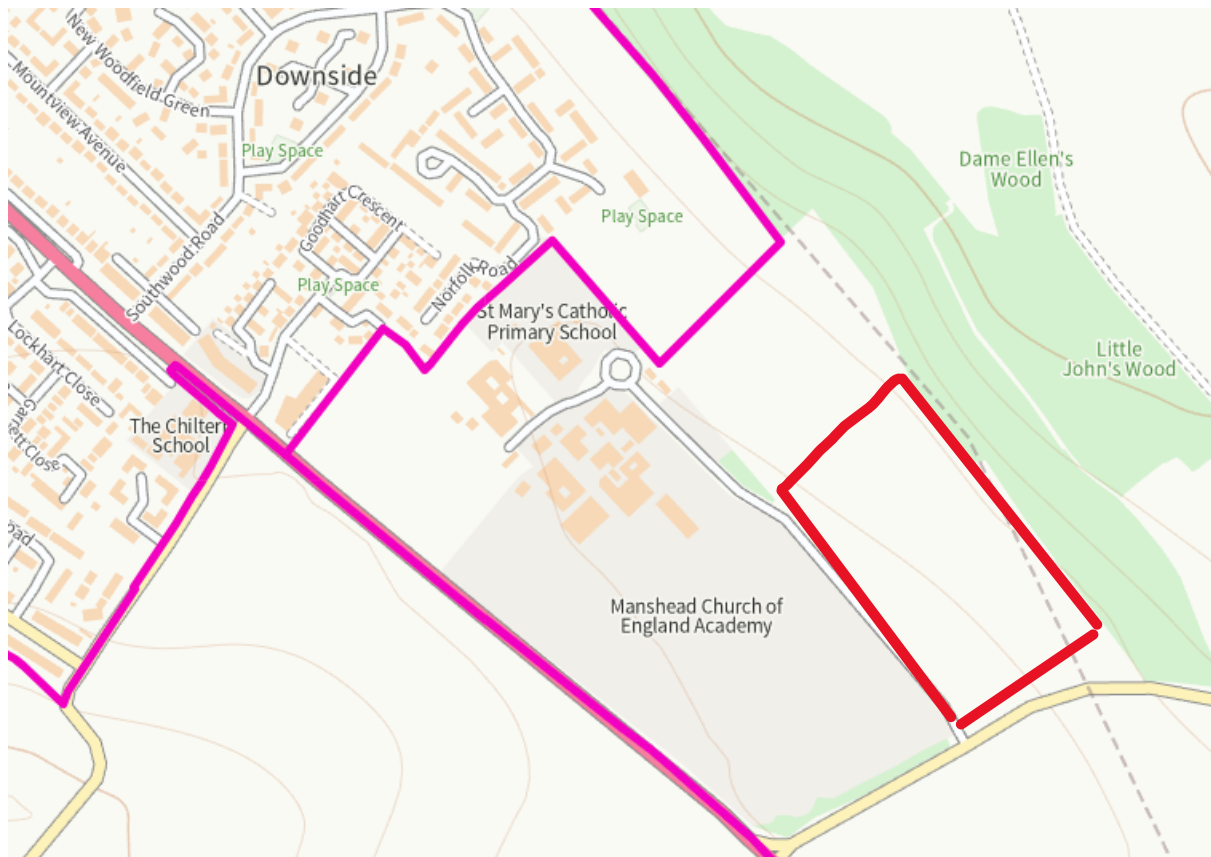
Operating a cemetery outside the parish boundary would not limit or affect the project – this would not change charges for Dunstable residents, for example. However, the Council's Community Governance Review Working Group propose that it would make sense for land being used for a Dunstable facility to be moved to form part of the parish boundary.

None of the land includes any residential properties, nor is it likely to ever be used for residential development.

Satellite View of Option 1

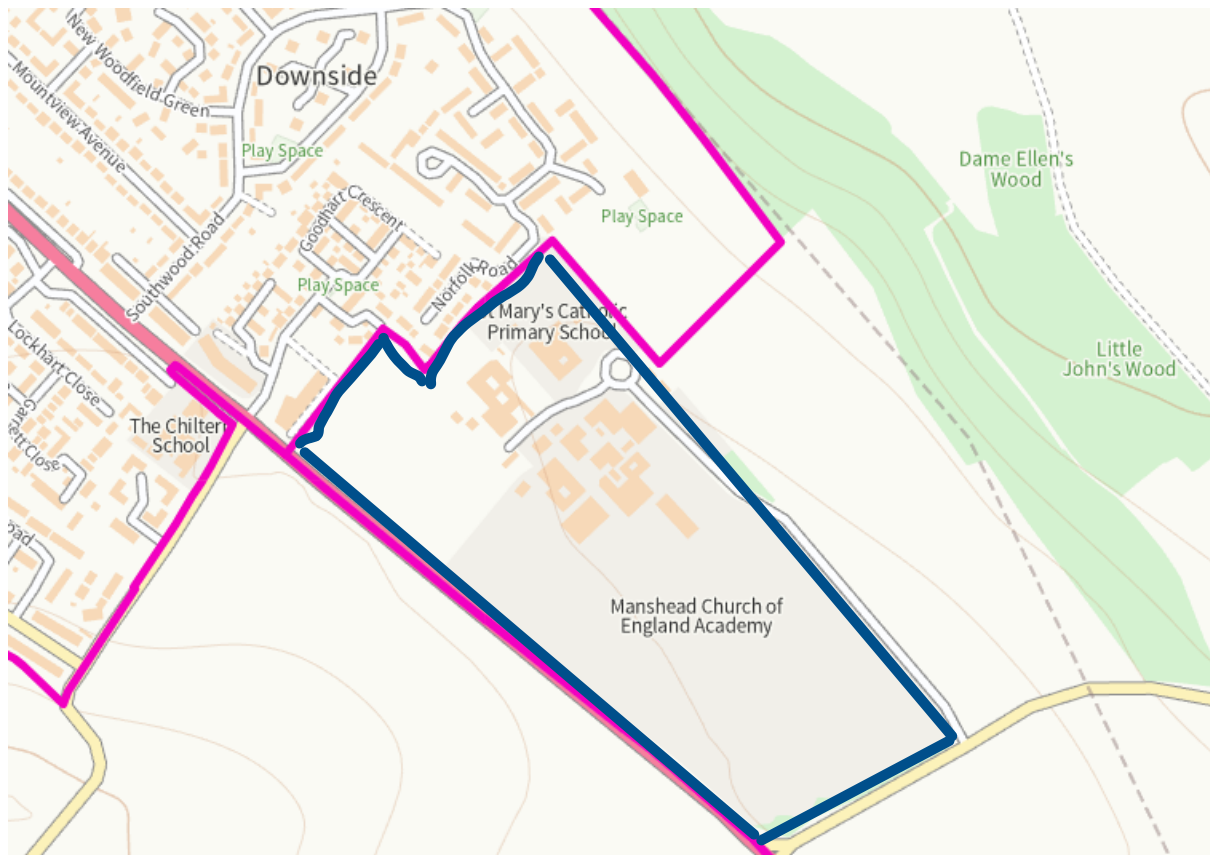


Option 1 showing current parish boundary



Option 2

To amend the parish boundary to include the land shown below in blue:

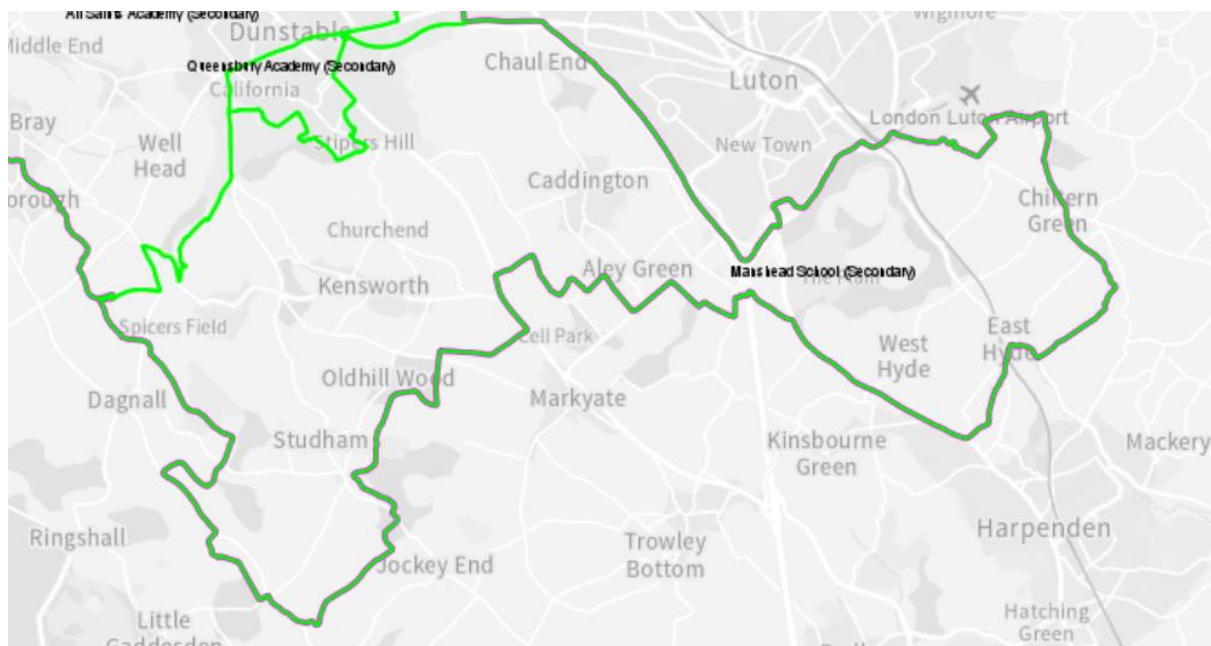


This would mean that the land occupied by Manshead and St Mary's Schools would be inside the Dunstable parish boundary. Dunstable Town Council's Community Governance Review Working Group propose that this appears to be a common-sense change to reflect that the schools are adjacent to Dunstable and some distance from Caddington itself. It would make sense for land being used for a Dunstable facility to be moved to form part of the parish boundary.

None of the land includes any residential properties, nor is it likely to every be used for residential development.

Brian Dunleavy has confirmed that this would not involve a change to CBC ward boundaries, so the remit of CBC Members would be unchanged.

Lydia Braisher, CBC's Admissions Manager, has confirmed that, "*St. Mary's Catholic Primary School does not operate a catchment area as admissions are primarily based on faith criteria. Manshead School's catchment area, covers Dunstable, Caddington and the surrounding villages/hamlets, so any parish boundary change will not impact on the school's catchment area as they should all be included within the catchment anyway. Below is the catchment boundary of Manshead School which depicts the area covered:*



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