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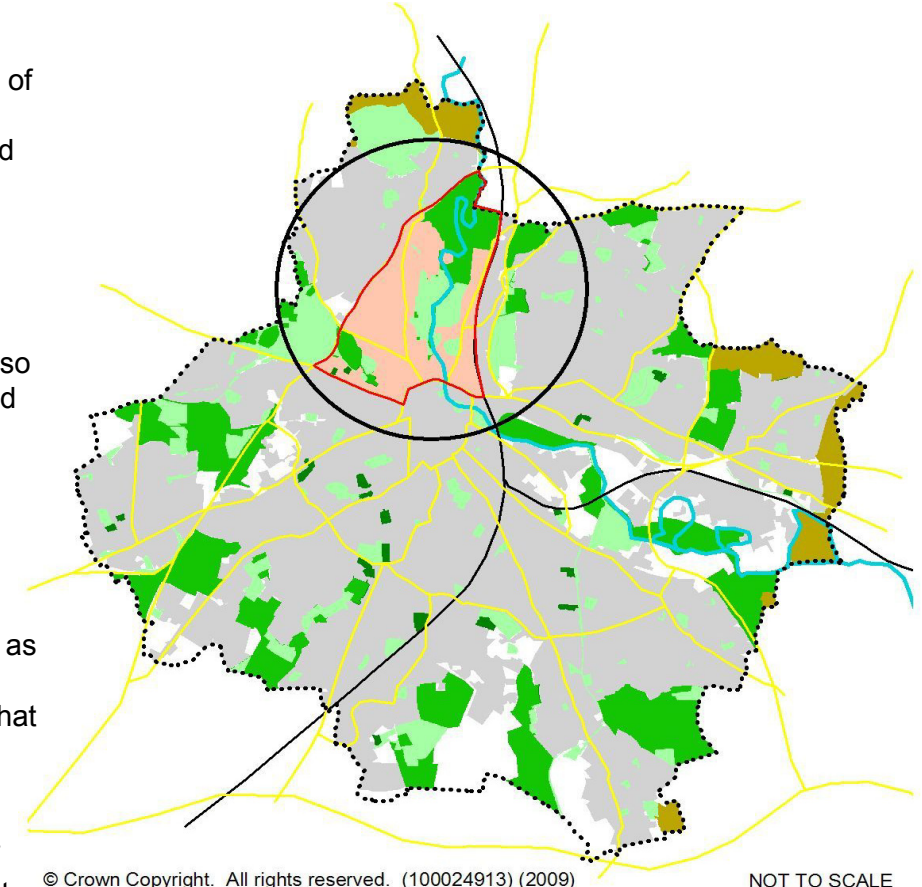
Townscape Character Assessment: Darley Ward

We have prepared a series of draft Townscape Character Assessments for all of the wards within Derby. These present information about the built environment and about what makes up an area's identity. Information includes whether the area is historic or new, the age and type of its housing areas, whether it is entirely residential or has large amounts of other land uses such as employment areas and so on. We have also produced Neighbourhood Overviews which focus on the social and economic profile of each ward and are available on our webpage, www.derby.gov.uk/planning.

We would like you to help us by telling us more about your areas and how they work as neighbourhoods. These Character Assessments are draft and we recognise that more information will need to be added to them and that we may not have got everything absolutely right! However, local people have the greatest understanding of their neighbourhoods and so we want you to help us to build up these assessments.

We want you to tell us if you agree or disagree with the information we have gathered so far and to suggest additional information you think should be included.

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Historic Character and Identity: Darley

Darley ward is located to the north of the city centre and stretches to the northern boundary of the city where it meets the administrative area of Amber Valley Borough Council.

The character and identity of the area is influenced by the area’s history and heritage and by the River Derwent which flows from north to south through the centre of the ward. Development in this area stretches as far back as Roman times, with the remains of a Roman settlement still visible in the Chester Green area. The historic Darley Abbey Mills complex is a key historic asset located within the ward and forms a part of the Lower Derwent Valley World Heritage Site (WHS).

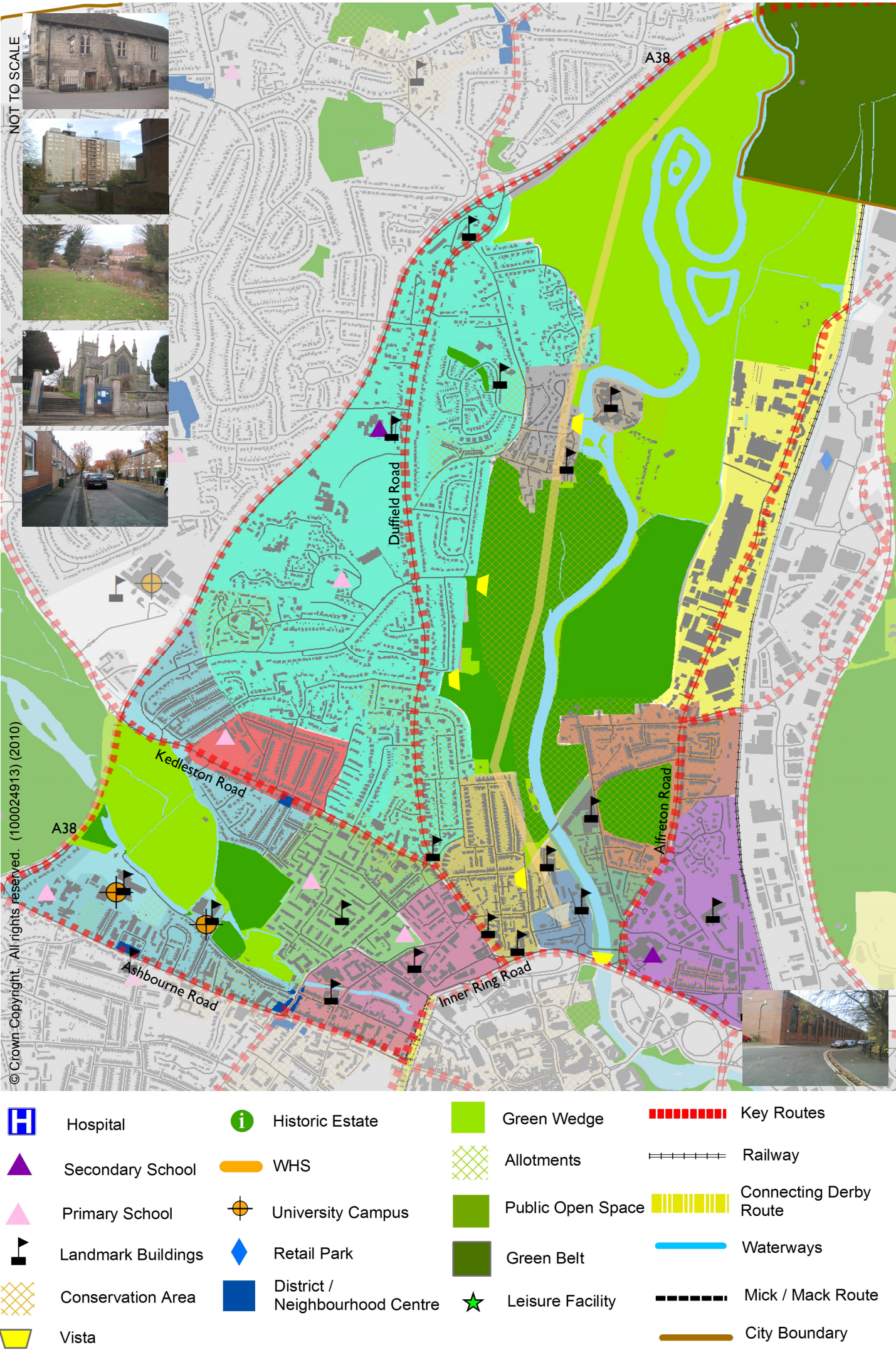
The ‘village’ of Darley Abbey was developed to house the workers at the mill complex. It was expanded over time to create a residential area between the river and the main A6 road which has a very strong townscape character.

The identity of Darley is also characterised by the open spaces which line the river on both sides for most of its course through the ward.

The residential areas to the west of the ward have developed as the city has grown outwards. They are broken into more distinctive sub neighbourhoods which are defined at least in part by the main arterial routes into and out of the city.

Draft Character Areas

- St Mary’s Wharf – Mixed commercial and early 21st Century residential, medium density
- City Road – Mixed industrial
- Chester Green – Victorian terraces, high density
- Bath Street – Post war, semi detached / flats
- Arthur Street – Victorian terraces and early 21st Century apartments
- Lodge Lane – Early 21st Century conversions and new build, apartments / student accommodation
- Mundy Estate – Post war estate, flats and terraces
- West End – Victorian terraces, high density
- Wheeldon Avenue – Large Victorian terraces, high density
- Alfreton Road – Mixed industrial
- Darley Abbey – World Heritage Site and high density former mill workers cottages
- Duffield Road – Inter war to early 21st Century



The Mansfield Road area on the eastern edge of the ward is industrial in character and is isolated from the residential areas to the west mainly due to the presence of the River Derwent corridor and the surrounding open land.

Landscape and Open Space:

The River Derwent corridor has an open character and functions as a Green Wedge. It helps to separate the residential areas of Darley from the more industrial and commercial areas to the east. It also allows the open countryside to the north of the city to penetrate the built up area of the city along the river corridor.

The southern part of the Green Wedge contains two large areas of public open space. Darley Park is located to the west of the river. It is a large open park with a natural feel and serves residents as well as forming a walking route north from the city centre.

To the east of the river is Darley Fields, which serves more formal recreational needs and is laid out with sports pitches and courts. Chester Green also allows for more formal recreational activities. Mackworth Recreation Ground serves the west of the ward and is linked to Markeaton Park by Sturgess Fields. A section of Sturgess Fields has been designated as a ‘village green’.

Heritage, Townscape and Movement:

Darley has some very important heritage features. There are five conservation areas within the ward, including Strutts Park, the Leylands Estate, Little Chester, Friar Gate and Darley Abbey which is part of the Lower Derwent Valley Mills World Heritage Site (WHS). There are three Scheduled Ancient Monuments located within the ward.

There are also many other listed buildings in the ward that are associated with the industrial heritage of the area.

Development layouts and street patterns are diverse across the area ranging from the tight knit, grid based terraces off Kedleston Road and Chester Green to the much more open and less regimented pattern around Broadway.

The River Derwent plays an important role in determining movement patterns in and around Darley. East and west vehicle movements are restricted to the inner ring road and the toll bridge at Darley Abbey. The A38 also provides a crossing point just outside the ward boundary.

The A6 is a main road into and out of the city to the north. In the south of the ward Ashbourne Road (A52) forms the southern boundary and is another major traffic route out of the city to the west. Kedleston Road, Alfreton Road and the inner ring road are also important routes.

In terms of pedestrian movement, both of the parks play a role in pedestrian movements around the ward and provide access to and from the city centre from peripheral areas.