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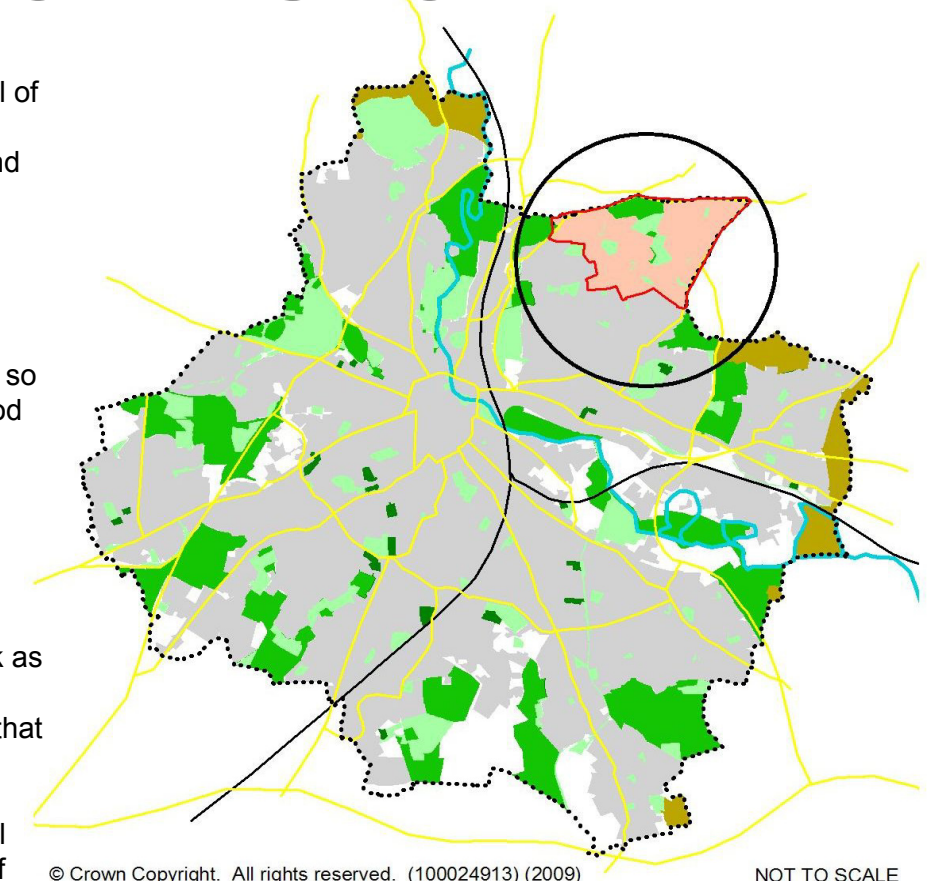
Townscape Character Assessment: Oakwood Ward

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: Oakwood

Oakwood is situated at the north eastern tip of the city. It is a modern housing estate, built mainly in the 1980s and 1990s as an extension to the urban area of the city. The final part of the development was completed in approximately 2000. The ward borders the wards of Derwent and Chaddesden to the south and is surrounded by Green Belt within the administrative area of Erewash to the north and east.

Prior to the 1920s there were less than 20 residential properties located in what is now Oakwood ward. The area was predominantly rural until the early 1950s, when approximately 800 dwellings were built as part of the adjacent Roe Farm estate within the Derwent area.

There was very little new development in the following years until the 1980s. During the 1980s and 90s approximately 4000 new homes were developed on the former Chaddesden Common. At the time of construction, the Oakwood estate was one of the largest housing estates in Europe. Development during this period reached the city boundary and in more recent years there has been pressure to develop parts of the Green Wedge in order to increase housing provision in the area.

Commercial activity is limited within the ward, although the purpose built District Centre provides a range of shops and facilities, including Springwood Leisure Centre.

The area relates quite well to the village of Breadsall, just outside of the city boundary, whist Derby County FC’s Moor Farm training centre is located to the east of Morley Road, just outside of the city boundary.

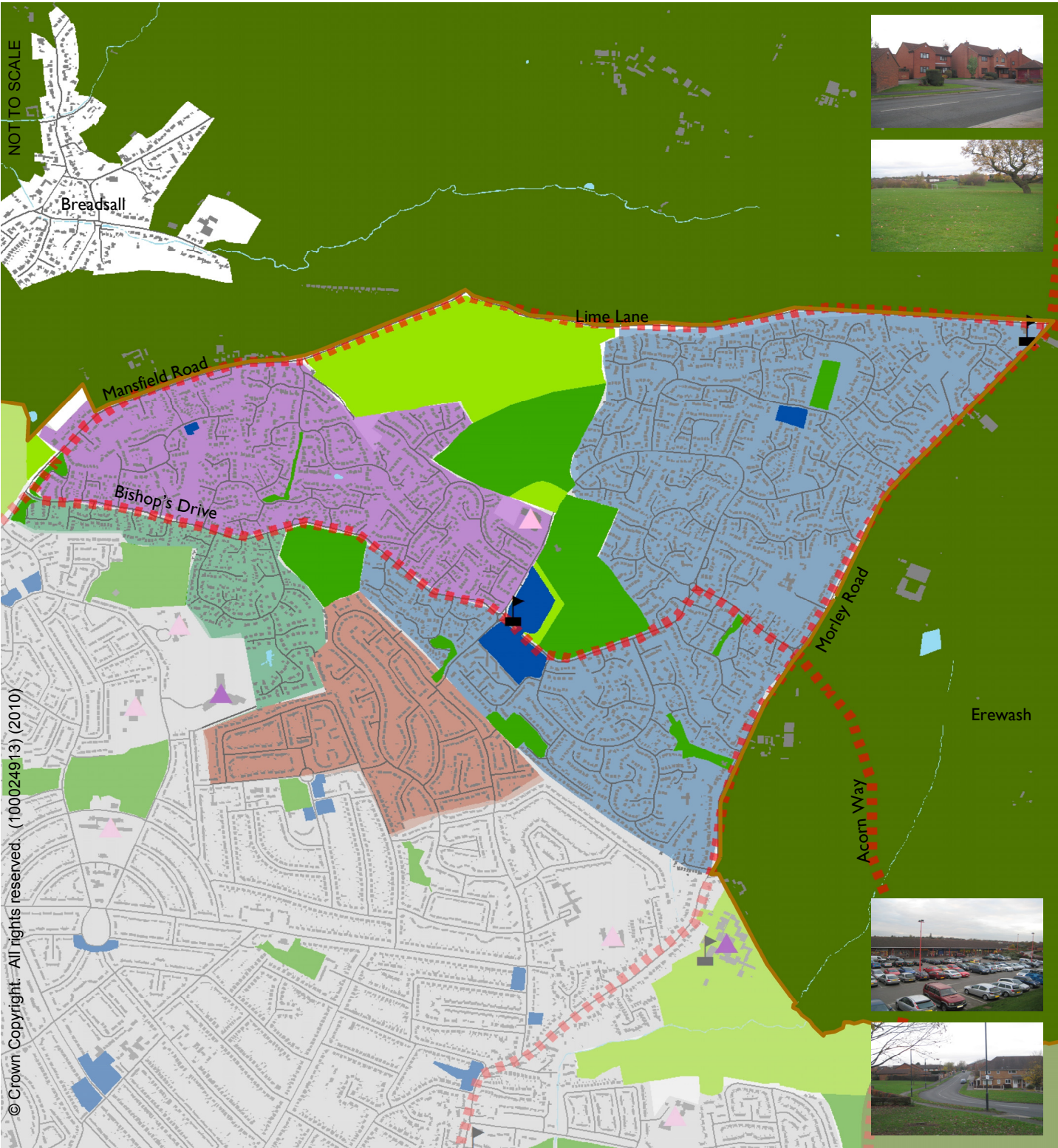
Landscape and Open Space:

The shape of the land within the ward is an important part of its visual character with the landscape noticeably sloping down from the Lime Lane boundary, down towards the Chaddesden area.

Oakwood is built upon the former Chaddesden Common. The Chaddesden Wood Nature Reserve is one of the remaining parts of the Common and contains ancient oak woodland.

Draft Character Areas

- Bishop’s Drive West – 1980s / 90s estate, detached
- Bishop’s Drive South – 1980s / 90s estate, detached
- Matlock Road – Post war regeneration, semi detached
- Bishop’s Drive East – 1980s / 90s estate, detached



The main areas of open space, such as Oakwood Park, are within the Green Wedge which divides the area, running from north to south. The Green Wedge helps to reduce the feeling of urban sprawl and allows open countryside to penetrate the built area of the city.

The area is tightly bounded by the Nottingham / Derby Green Belt to the north and east which constrains further development and stops Derby and Nottingham from merging. The Green Belt around Oakwood is characterised by estate farmland. However, the agricultural landscape is soon broken up by a network of coalfield villages to the north and east.

Heritage and Townscape and Movement:

The townscape across the majority of the ward is very similar in character, identified by red brick, detached properties and a suburban feel. However, the majority of properties have relatively small gardens, leading to a higher than city average housing density across the ward.

There are no conservation areas or listed buildings within the neighbourhood, owing to its infancy as a settlement.

The main distinctive / landmark buildings in the area are the Kings Corner Public House, Springwood Leisure Centre and Parkview School.

Development layouts are very similar across the majority of the ward, characterised by typical 1980s / 90s housing estate structure, including winding roads and cul-de-sac closes. Street patterns are relatively compact, although the Matlock Road area has an open feel, with larger plot sizes and lower densities.

Traffic movements around Oakwood are mainly along Lime Lane, Mansfield Road and Morley Road. Bishop’s Drive is the main route through the area, providing access to the minor residential roads within the estate, whilst Wayfaring Road links the older and more modern areas of the ward. Acorn Way is also an important route just outside of the area.

