APPENDIX A Opportunity Mapping Methodology & Data Sources

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# **1.1 Opportunity Mapping Methodology and Data Sources**

#### Datasets

## **Baseline Habitat Data**

- 1.1.1 The biodiversity opportunity mapping process began with the acquisition, testing and expression of existing spatial data for the extant habitat resource. Data relating to the distribution and abundance of semi-natural habitats were provided by the Greater Lincolnshire Nature Partnership (GLNP), Natural England (NE), Forestry Commission (FC) and Woodland Trust (WT). It was indicated from an early stage that some of the NE datasets, in particular heathland, were not very accurate and could not be relied upon to give a true impression of habitat coverage in Central Lincolnshire (C.Lincs). The GLNP datasets were reported to be accurate, but mapping has only been carried out across a very small area (approximately 2% of C.Lincs). In order the most comprehensive baseline habitat dataset, the datasets were combined in order to display maximum coverage of habitats across C.Lincs, but priority has been given to displaying the GLNP datasets as a 'top layer' over those provided by NE, FC and WT.
- 1.1.2 There are around 80 different habitat types that make up the baseline inventory of existing semi-natural habitats (see Table A1 below). In order to rationalise the approach to opportunity mapping, the individual datasets were aggregated into a series of broad habitat types, in line with the habitat priorities set out in the Lincolnshire Biodiversity action Plan (2nd edition, 2006). This is not intended to restrict the range of opportunities for specific habitat interventions (e.g. the restoration / creation of purple moor grassland and rush pasture habitat), but is intended to provide a broad view on the most appropriate areas where this type of intervention may be able to occur within the context of broad opportunity areas (e.g. heathland / acid grassland habitat opportunity areas).
- 1.1.3 In all, 6 categories of habitat type were identified:
  - Woodland;
  - Wetland;
  - Neutral grassland;
  - Heathland;
  - Acid grassland; and,
  - Calcareous grassland

- 1.1.4 Due to the close relationship between certain habitat types, wetlands and neutral grasslands were expressed on a single plan. This is because the overwhelming majority of the neutral grassland resource in Central Lincolnshire is Floodplain Grazing Marsh, a habitat intimately linked with the water table. Similarly, heathland and acid grassland are expressed on a single map due to specific soil character requirements.
- 1.1.5 In addition to the aggregation of semi-natural habitat types, a layer was also created consisting of, in particular, allotments, brownfield sites, cemeteries, wood pasture and parkland and displayed at Lincoln Area scale. This is something of an anomaly in that the project does not necessarily seek to extend these types of sites, but it does recognise the important role that these sites play in the protection of existing semi-natural habitats of high ecological value, and in providing conduits for species dispersal within urban and suburban areas.
- 1.1.6 The woodland maps distinguish between coniferous plantation woodland and all other types of woodland, since coniferous woodland is considered to have limited biodiversity value and has the potential, for example, to be restored to broadleaved woodland or open heathland / acid grassland type habitats (as a consequence plantation woodland has been displayed on the heathland & acid grassland maps as potential opportunity areas.
- 1.1.7 The datasets and dataset subtypes which make up each of these habitat layers are set out in **Table A1** below:

Habitat Layer	Dataset/Dataset Subtypes
Acid grassland	Acid grassland
	Dry heath/acid grassland mosaic
	Lowland dry acid grassland
	Purple moor grass and rush pastures
	Semi-improved acid grassland
	Unimproved acid grassland
Calcareous grassland	Calcareous grassland
	Lowland calcareous grassland
	Semi-improved calcareous grassland
	Unimproved calcareous grassland
Coniferous plantation woodland	Conifer
	Coniferous plantation woodland
	Coniferous semi-natural woodland
	Mixed – predominantly conifer
Greenspace	Allotments
	Amenity grassland
	Arable
	Bare ground
	Brownfield
	Cemeteries (active)

Table A1: Datasets and Dataset Subtypes used in the Habitat Layers:

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Habitat Layer	Dataset/Dataset Subtypes
	Cemeteries (disused)
	Dense/continuous scrub
	Ephemeral/short perennial
	Green wedge region
	Improved grassland
	Non-ruderal
	Open space green wedges
	Parks and gardens
	Quarry
	Scrub
	Tall ruderal
	Wood pasture and parkland
Heathland	Acid dry dwarf shrub heath
	Dry heath/acid grassland mosaic
	Lichen/bryophyte heath
	Lowland heathland
Neutral grassland	Grassland
	Lowland meadows
	Neutral and damp grassland
	Neutral grassland
	Poor semi-improved grassland
	Semi-improved grassland
	Semi-improved neutral grassland
	Undetermined grassland
	Unimproved grassland
	Unimproved neutral grassland
Wetlands	Acid/neutral flush
	Coastal and floodplain grazing marsh
	Eutrophic standing water
	Fens
	Inundation vegetation
	Lakes
	Lowland raised bog
	Marsh/marshy grassland
	Reedbeds
	Running water
	Standing water
	Swamp
	Wet woodland
Woodland	Ancient woodland (ASNW)
	Ancient woodland (PAWS)
	Assumed woodland
	Broadleaved
	Broadleaved plantation woodland
	Broadleaved semi-natural woodland
	Conifer
	Coniferous plantation woodland
	Coppice
	Deciduous woodland
	English Woodland Grant Scheme
	Felled

Habitat Layer	Dataset/Dataset Subtypes
	Lowland mixed deciduous woodland
	Mixed – predominantly broadleaved
	Mixed – predominantly conifer
	Mixed plantation woodland
	Mixed semi-natural woodland
	Non-native broadleaved woodland
	Plantation woodland
	Shrub land
	Traditional orchards
	Undetermined woodland
	Wet woodland
	Woodland
	Young trees
Woodland (other)	Ancient woodland (ASNW)
	Ancient woodland (PAWS)
	Assumed woodland
	Broadleaved
	Broadleaved plantation woodland
	Coppice
	Deciduous woodland
	English Woodland Grant Scheme
	Felled
	Ground prepared for planting
	Low density
	Lowland mixed deciduous woodland
	Mixed – predominantly broadleaved
	Mixed plantation woodland
	Non-native broadleaved woodland
	Plantation woodland
	Shrub land
	Traditional orchards
	Undetermined woodland
	Wet woodland
	Woodland
	Young trees

## **Supporting Datasets**

- 1.1.8 The extant habitat datasets described above provide a record of the currently known spatial distribution of semi natural habitats within the Study Area. In order, however, to make predictions on where these habitat types could potentially be extended or created, a series of supporting datasets were also used in defining strategic and detailed opportunity areas at both the Central Lincolnshire and Lincoln Area scales.
- 1.1.9 The National Landscape Description Units provide a broad characterisation of land type within each character area. This provides a general characterisation of the types of semi natural habitats that would be expected to occur within each character area thereby providing a general commentary on the feasibility of habitat creation within a broad area.

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- 1.1.10 Similarly Agricultural Land Classification is used as a means for identifying the relative quality of land and in particular, from an ecological perspective, where opportunities may occur for the creation of semi-natural habitats on nutrient poor soils.
- 1.1.11 The Environment Agency's Flood Zone maps provide an indication of the most appropriate areas where wetland creation may be targeted. Similarly, the Environment Agency's Water Framework Directive (WFD) Water Quality Classification data aids the identification of locations where biodiversity opportunities may be best targeted for the purposes of improving water quality, managing flood risk and increasing flow attenuation.
- 1.1.12 Superficial deposit data relating to sands and gravels were used to define the most appropriate location for targeting opportunities for heathland and acid grassland creation. Similarly, chalk and limestone bedrock data was used for targeting opportunities for calcareous grassland creation.
- 1.1.13 Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) data was also used to understand where protection of, and enhancements to, the existing network of semi natural habitats may be focused in relation to projected housing growth.

# Data Accuracy

- 1.1.14 During the mapping process a number of inaccuracies in the datasets were noted by members of the Steering Group and Workshop participants. The main issue was reported to be an overestimation of habitat coverage, where large blocks of land were mapped as a specific habitat type e.g. heathland, when realistically only a very small amount (or none at all) of this habitat is actually present. The reason for these inaccuracies is not clear, but may result from a range of reasons, including: the age of the data; natural succession of habitats over time; mapping methodologies and lack of 'ground truthing'. The main inaccuracies in the habitat databases within C.Lincs are captured within the workshop notes in **Appendices B-E.**
- 1.1.15 In addition to inaccuracies in mapping, gaps in data coverage of the habitats were also identified. The most noticeable and important of these gaps appears to be the lack of calcareous grassland data. Much of this habitat resource exists as linear extents along roadside verges in C.Lincs, yet very few verges in this area are contained within NE's Lowland Calcareous Grassland dataset. The GLNP habitat dataset contains data from the 'Life on the

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Verge Project' (LotV) which has surveyed 2918km of roadside verge to date<sup>1</sup> in the Lincolnshire and Rutland Limestone Natural Area, identifying important grassland verges and providing an evidence base to designate them as Local Wildlife Sites (LWSs) and Roadside Nature Reserves (RNRs). By using this dataset and the new LWS dataset<sup>2</sup> showing the most recently designated grassland verges identified through the LotV project, a greater extent of calcareous grassland has been displayed on the maps.

- 1.1.16 It was also indicated during the workshops that there are a number of calcareous grassland road verges (of unknown quality) within a corridor of limestone and chalk bedrock running north of Lincoln to Broughton. These are not displayed on the maps as they have not been surveyed and are not contained within any of the habitat or LWS datasets provided to date.
- 1.1.17 It is important to recognise that data accuracy or deficiency is an important first step in the Biodiversity Opportunity Mapping process; knowing the extent of each habitat resource is central to being able to accurately understand what requires protection and how best to defragment scatters of habitat through future management and habitat creation opportunities. Nevertheless, for the purposes of this project, opportunity mapping is based on the current, known, extent of each habitat type. Any revision to a particular dataset must be undertaken only on the master dataset by the organisation or individual responsible for its maintenance. Amendments to duplicate copies will result in the loss of the definitive dataset. The BOM methodology has been designed, however, to ensure that future updates of the data layers can be incorporated into the opportunity maps, which will enable the identification of opportunities to be refined as the data coverage becomes more comprehensive.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Life on the Verge (2013) Available at <www.lifeontheverge.org.uk> Accessed 08/05/13

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Provided to CBA by the GLNP 19/04/13

#### Buffers

- 1.1.18 The combination of existing habitat and supporting datasets provides initial search areas for identifying broad opportunity areas. To further refine the opportunity areas and to start the process of prioritising locations where opportunities may be best targeted, buffers were applied to the existing habitat resource.
- 1.1.19 Buffers are a notional boundary indicating maximum dispersal distances of a selection of species associated with each habitat, based on variability in landscape permeability. Buffers have two principal functions:
  - To identify areas around existing habitats to protect them from the influences of surrounding land use activities (e.g. agricultural production and/or urban growth) through habitat creation and/or restoration; and,
  - To identify areas where habitat restoration or creation could increase overall coverage by linking areas of existing, isolated, habitats (defragmentation), and to increase resilience to the influences of adjacent land use activity.
- 1.1.20 The buffer size for each habitat type was derived from a review of other BOM methodologies and a literature review and refined to reflect the context and habitat resource of Central Lincolnshire. The literature review was of maximum dispersal distances of species of nature conservation concern and 'generic focal species' (see Appendix 2 of the 6Cs Growth Point Biodiversity Opportunity Mapping Pilot Study for a list of academic papers reviewed on the maximal dispersal distances of species of nature conservation concern<sup>3</sup>). The 'generic focal species' is used by Watts et al<sup>4</sup> to demonstrate the effective maximum dispersal distance of a conceptual woodland species through land with a varying degree of permeability – see Table A2.

## 1.1.21 In summary:

- 500m habitat buffers were applied to ancient woodlands; and,
- 200m habitat buffers were applied to all wetland habitats, heathland, acid grassland and calcareous grassland habitats.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Chris Blandford Associates (2009) Natural England and the Wildlife Trusts – 6Cs Growth Point Biodiversity Opportunity Mapping Pilot Study

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Watts et al (2010) *Targeting and evaluating biodiversity conservation action within fragmented landscapes: an approach based on generic focal species and least-cost networks*. Landscape Ecol 25:1305-1318

## Table A2: From Watts et al (2010):

Table 1 Assessment of matrix permeability in the study landscape, in terms of perceived movement cost for woodland species,
based on degree of ecological modification and extent of vertical structure within particular land cover types

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	Matrix characteristics (modification/ vertical structure)	Land cover types	Movement cost—low cost indicates high permeability.—with effective maximum dispersal distance in parentheses based upon 1000 m dispersal distance for core GFS profile
High permeability	Secondary woodland and woodland-like habitats; relatively unmodified with strong vertical structure and known to readily accommodate woodland species	Planted/felled broad- leaved and mixed woodland, scrub, bracken	Cost = 1 (effective maximum dispersal distance for core profile = 1000 m)
Medium permeability	Unimproved semi-natural habitats; little modification with some vertical structure	Heathland, marshy grassland	Cost = 3 (effective distance = 333 m)
	Unimproved semi-natural habitats; little modification but with limited vertical structure	Unimproved grassland, mire	Cost = 5 (effective distance = 200 m)
	Semi-improved habitats; moderate modification and limited structure	Planted/felled coniferous woodland, semi-improved grassland, swamp	Cost = 10 (effective distance = 100 m)
Low permeability	Heavily modified habitats with very little structure	Improved and amenity grassland, arable, water	Cost = 20 (effective distance = 50 m)
	Artificial and hostile habitats	Roads, buildings	Cost = 50 (effective distance = 20 m)

# Table A3: Review of other BOM methodologies:

Habitat	Buffer Size	Reason for Using Buffer	Source
Grassland (other than calcareous)	300m	'to help illustrate potential patterns within the landscape'	Bedfordshire & Luton Biodiversity Partnership (2006) <i>Rebuilding</i> <i>Biodiversity in Bedfordshire &amp;</i> <i>Luton</i>
Grassland (lowland meadow)	500m	'to identify key areas of connectivity for each habitat'	Wildlife Trust BCN (2012) Nene Valley Habitat Opportunity Map
Wetland (fen, wet woodland and floodplain grazing marsh)	500m	'to identify key areas of connectivity for each habitat'	Wildlife Trust BCN (2012) Nene Valley Habitat Opportunity Map
Wetland (main rivers and chalk rivers)	100m	(to identify) <i>'strategic</i> <i>river corridors'</i>	Land Use Consultants & Terra Consult (2005) East of England Biodiversity Mapping Project
	100m	'to identify strategic river corridors'	R.Land (2006) Report of Ecological Network Mapping Project for Norfolk
Woodland	300m	(to identify) 'notional opportunity areas'	Bedfordshire & Luton Biodiversity Partnership (2006) <i>Rebuilding</i> <i>Biodiversity in Bedfordshire &amp;</i> <i>Luton</i>
Woodland (wet)	500m	'to identify key areas of connectivity for each habitat'	Wildlife Trust BCN (2012) Nene Valley Habitat Opportunity Map

- 1.1.22 The use of buffers has been parsimonious. There are a range of constraints related to calculating buffer size, notably the accurate interpretation of species dispersal rates in relation to, for example, corresponding dispersal rates for host plant species. At its broadest level, therefore, buffers have been used to prioritise targeted interventions for the protection and/or extension of existing areas of semi-natural habitats.
- 1.1.23 With respect to the opportunity mapping for the Lincoln PUA/SUEs/WVCP, 500m buffers were applied to ancient woodlands, in order to identify opportunities for protecting and linking the most valuable woodland habitat. The establishment of new, or natural regeneration of, woodlands to create buffers can generally be achieved on any soil / geological conditions. The principal requirement, therefore, is to understand the most appropriate location for buffers and linkages.
- 1.1.24 By contrast, however, mapping opportunities for protecting and/or linking open habitats at this scale is more nuanced. A range of factors which influence the ability to create heathland / grassland habitats need to be taken into account, principally geological, overlying soil and hydrological conditions. The application of buffers in these circumstances is, therefore, limited as they do not discriminate between different land type and hydrological conditions. Moreover, at the Lincoln PUA/SUEs/WVCP scale it is possible to interrogate available data at the field scale and as a consequence, better judgements on the appropriate location of buffers can be made by an experienced eye.

#### **Opportunity Areas**

#### Woodland

- 1.1.25 The boundaries of the woodland biodiversity opportunity areas were drawn at the C.Lincs scale to include the main concentration of sites identified as having potential for woodland protection/enhancement/creation as described below, other sites identified during the stakeholder workshops and the largest extent of ancient semi-natural woodland. The boundary of the Lincolnshire Limewoods opportunity area was drawn largely in accordance with the boundary of the 'Woodland Zone' identified by Ecological Services Ltd (ESL) during the Lincolnshire Limewoods Project<sup>5</sup> as high priority for woodland Zone'.
- 1.1.26 Sites identified as having potential for woodland creation or restoration include ancient woodland buffer zones, permitted and submitted minerals and waste sites, hedgerows, greenspace and the proposed Lincoln Eastern Bypass. Where minerals and waste sites were identified as having already been fully restored to water, these were deleted from the woodland maps as opportunities for habitat creation.

#### Wetland

- 1.1.27 In the absence of a detailed soil dataset, the Landscape Description Unit (LDU) dataset was used as a surrogate for predicting where land most suitable for wetland creation lies. The boundaries of the wetland biodiversity opportunity areas were drawn at the C.Lincs scale largely in accordance with land described in the 'ground type' field of the LDU dataset as 'Bw', 'Cw', 'Wg' and 'Ws' deepy loamy soils, claylands and wetlands with associated wet pasture/marsh, damp (neutral) pasture or swamp and fen habitats. The Environment Agency's Flood Zone 3 was also referred to when drawing the biodiversity opportunity area boundaries. See **Appendix F** for maps showing Flood Zone 3 and the Landscape Description Units.
- 1.1.28 The boundaries of the biodiversity opportunity areas were also drawn to include the main concentration of sites identified as having potential for wetland creation or restoration as described below, other sites identified during the stakeholder workshops, the largest extent of wetland habitats and WFD assessed rivers with a 'moderate', 'poor' or 'bad' ecological status.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> ESL (Ecological Services) Ltd (2008) Wildlife Corridors in the Lincolnshire Linewoods: Habitat Creation Opportunities and Constraints Map.

- 1.1.29 Sites identified as having potential for creation or restoration include wetland buffer zones, permitted and submitted minerals and waste sites, greenspace, the Washlands and the proposed Lincoln Eastern Bypass.
- 1.1.30 The boundaries of the wetland biodiversity opportunity areas (drawn by Mark Tarttelin for the Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust Wetland Project) were drawn at the C.Lincs scale to include important peatlands, bird and plant areas.

## Heathland & Acid Grassland

- 1.1.31 In the absence of a detailed soil dataset, the Landscape Description Unit (LDU) dataset and the DiGMapGB-50 Superficial Deposits dataset were used as a surrogate for predicting where land most suitable for heathland and acid grassland creation lies. The boundaries of the heathland/acid grassland biodiversity opportunity areas were drawn at the C.Lincs scale largely in accordance with land described in the 'ground type' field of the LDU dataset as 'Sd' other light land with associated heath/moor habitats. However, the LDU dataset did not illustrate the suitability of land south-west of Lincoln for heathland/acid grassland creation. For this purpose a decision was made to display the deposits in the 'Rock Classification Scheme' field of the DiGMapGB-50 Superficial dataset described as 'sand' and 'sand and gravel' to indicate soil most likely suitable for heathland and acid grassland creation.
- 1.1.32 The boundaries of the biodiversity opportunity areas were drawn to include the extent of currently known heathland and acid grassland habitats, sites identified as having the greatest potential for heathland and acid grassland creation or restoration and any specific sites identified during the stakeholder workshops.
- 1.1.33 Sites identified as having potential for heathland and acid grassland creation or restoration include heathland and acid grassland buffer zones, coniferous (non-ancient) plantation woodland, permitted and submitted sand and gravel extraction sites and greenspace. All of these sites except the buffer zones were clipped to the superficial deposits of sand and gravel. In addition where minerals and waste sites were identified as having already been fully restored to water, these were deleted from the maps as opportunities for habitat creation.

## **Calcareous Grassland**

1.1.34 In a similar fashion to the method described above, the LDU dataset and the DiGMapGB-50 – Bedrock dataset were used as a surrogate for predicting where land most suitable for calcareous grassland creation lies. The boundaries of the calcareous grassland biodiversity

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opportunity areas were drawn at the C.Lincs scale largely in accordance with land described in the 'ground type' field of the LDU dataset as 'Lr' or 'Cr' – chalk and limestone or claylands associated with dry (rough) pasture. To provide more refinement at the Lincoln Area scale, a decision was made to display the bedrock in the 'Rock Classification Scheme' field of the DiGMapGB-50 – Bedrock dataset described as 'chalk' and 'limestone' to indicate where the soil was most likely suitable for calcareous grassland creation.

- 1.1.35 The boundaries of the biodiversity opportunity areas were drawn to include the extent of currently known calcareous grassland habitats, sites identified as having the greatest potential for calcareous grassland creation or restoration and any specific sites identified during the stakeholder workshops.
- 1.1.36 Sites identified as having potential for calcareous grassland creation or restoration include calcareous grassland buffer zones, permitted and submitted chalk and limestone extraction sites, greenspace, and the proposed Lincoln Eastern Bypass. The greenspace was clipped to the chalk and limestone bedrock.

## **Habitat Mosaics**

1.1.37 The mosaic biodiversity opportunity area drawn at the C.Lincs scale is a mixed priority area for woodland, wetland, heathland and acid grassland habitats. The boundaries were therefore drawn to include the relevant sites with potential for woodland, wetland, heathland or acid grassland creation or restoration, other sites identified during the stakeholder workshops and the largest extent of ancient woodland, wetland, heathland and acid grassland habitats. Ground suitable for wetland, heathland or acid grassland creation was also taken into consideration, and identified using the LDUs and superficial deposits of sand and gravel.

# 1.2 Records of Datasets Used

Key:

BGS = British Geological Survey CBA = Chris Blandford Associates CLC = City of Lincoln Council CLJPU = Central Lincolnshire Joint Planning Unit EA = Environment Agency FC = Forestry Commission GLNP = Greater Lincolnshire Nature Partnership LCC = Lincolnshire County Council LWT = Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust NE = Natural England OS = Ordnance Survey RSPB = Royal Society for the Protection of Birds WT = Woodland Trust

Dataset	Data Source/Supplier	Owner
Figure 1.1 – Central Lincolnshire Study Area		
Central Lincolnshire Boundary	CLJPU	CLJPU
1:250,000 Raster Map <sup>5</sup>	OS Open Data	OS
Figure 1.2 – Witham Valley Country Park/Lincoln Principal U		
Witham Valley Country Park Boundary	CLJPU	CLJPU
Principal Urban Area Boundary	CLJPU	CLJPU
Sustainable Urban Extension Boundaries	CLJPU	CLJPU
1:50,000 Raster Map <sup>5</sup>	CLJPU	OS
Figure 3.1 – Woodland Habitat Opportunity Mapping (Centra	al Lincolnshire)	
Central Lincolnshire Boundary	CLJPU	CLJPU
Woodland Opportunity Area	CBA	CBA
Mosaic Opportunity Area	CBA	CBA
BAP and Undetermined Habitats	GLNP	GLNP
Phase 1 Habitats	LWT	GLNP
English Woodland Grant Scheme <sup>6</sup>	FC	FC
National Forest Inventory 2011 <sup>6</sup>	FC	FC
Ancient Woodland <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Deciduous Woodland <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Traditional Orchards <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Woodland Trust Sites	WT	WT
Lincoln Eastern Bypass Planning Boundary	LCC	CLJPU
Permitted Sand and Gravel Sites	LCC	LCC
Permitted Oil and Gas Sites	LCC	LCC
Permitted Limestone Sites	LCC	LCC
Permitted Chalk Quarry Sites	LCC	LCC
Dormant Sites	LCC	LCC
Closed Landfill Sites	LCC	LCC
Submitted Waste Sites	LCC	LCC
Submitted Minerals Sites	LCC	LCC
Ancient Woodland Buffer	CBA	CBA
1:250,000 Raster Map <sup>5</sup>	OS Open Data	OS
Figure 3.2 – Wetland Habitat Opportunity Mapping (Central	Lincolnshire)	
Central Lincolnshire Boundary	CLJPU	CLJPU
Wetland Opportunity Area	CBA	CBA
Wetland Opportunity Area (LWT)	LWT	LWT

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Dataset	Data Source/Supplier	Owner
Mosaic Opportunity Area	СВА	CBA
Airfields	СВА	CBA
BAP and Undetermined Habitats	GLNP	GLNP
Phase 1 Habitats	LWT	GLNP
Lakes	KL Water	KL Water
Fens <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Lowland Raised Bogs <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Reedbeds <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Coastal & Floodplain Grazing Marsh <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Lowland Meadows <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Undetermined Grassland <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Wetland Habitat Buffer	СВА	СВА
WFD Rivers	EA	EA
Lincoln Eastern Bypass Planning Boundary	LCC	CLJPU
Submitted Minerals Sites	LCC	LCC
Submitted Waste Sites	LCC	LCC
Dormant Sites	LCC	LCC
Closed Landfill Sites	LCC	LCC
Permitted Sand and Gravel Sites	LCC	LCC
Permitted Oil and Gas Sites	LCC	LCC
Permitted Limestone Sites	LCC	LCC
Permitted Chalk Quarry Sites	LCC	LCC
Washlands	EA	EA
Landscape Description Units (LDU) Level 1 <sup>3</sup>	EA – Datashare	NE
1:250,000 Raster Map <sup>5</sup>	OS Open Data	OS
Figure 3.3 – Heathland and Acid Grassland Habitat Oppor		
Central Lincolnshire Boundary	CLJPU	CLJPU
Heathland and Acid Grassland Opportunity Area	CBA	CBA
Mosaic Opportunity Area	СВА	CBA
BAP and Undetermined Habitats	GLNP	GLNP
Phase 1 Habitats	LWT	GLNP
Lowland Heathland <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Lowland Dry Acid Grassland <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Purple Moor Grass Rush Pastures <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Heathland and Acid Grassland Buffer	СВА	СВА
National Forest Inventory 2011 <sup>6</sup>	FC	FC
Permitted Sand and Gravel Sites	LCC	LCC
Submitted Minerals Sites	LCC	LCC
DiGMapGB-50 – Superficial <sup>4</sup>	EA – Datashare	BGS
1:250,000 Raster Map <sup>5</sup>	OS Open Data	OS
Figure 3.4 – Calcareous Grassland Habitat Opportunity Ma		
Central Lincolnshire Boundary	CLJPU	CLJPU
Calcareous Grassland Opportunity Area	CBA	CBA
BAP and Undetermined Habitats	GLNP	GLNP
Phase 1 Habitats	LWT	GLNP
Local Wildlife Sites	GLNP	GLNP
Lowland Calcareous Grassland <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Lincoln Eastern Bypass Planning Boundary	LCC	LCC
Submitted Minerals Sites	LCC	LCC
Permitted Limestone Sites	LCC	LCC
Permitted Chalk Quarry Sites	LCC	LCC
Landscape Description Units (LDU) Level 1 <sup>3</sup>	EA – Datashare	NE
1:250,000 Raster Map <sup>5</sup>	OS Open Data	OS
1.230,000 Kaster Map <sup>*</sup>	US Open Data	03

Dataset	Data Source/Supplier	Owner
Figure 3.5 – Biodiversity Opportunity Areas (Central Linc	olnshire)	
Central Lincolnshire Boundary	CLJPU	CLJPU
BAP and Undetermined Habitats	GLNP	GLNP
Phase 1 Habitats	LWT	GLNP
Local Wildlife Sites	GLNP	GLNP
Lowland Calcareous Grassland <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Lowland Heathland <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Lowland Dry Acid Grassland <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Purple Moor Grass Rush Pastures <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Lakes	KL Water	KL Water
Fens <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Lowland Raised Bogs <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Reedbeds <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Coastal & Floodplain Grazing Marsh <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Lowland Meadows <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Undetermined Grassland <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
English Woodland Grant Scheme <sup>6</sup>	FC	FC
National Forest Inventory 2011 <sup>6</sup>	FC	FC
Ancient Woodland <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Deciduous Woodland <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Traditional Orchards <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Woodland Trust Sites	WT	WT
WFD Rivers	EA	EA
	CBA	CBA
Wetland Opportunity Area	LWT	
Wetland Opportunity Area (LWT)		LWT
Mosaic Opportunity Area	CBA	CBA
Calcareous Grassland Opportunity Area	CBA	CBA
Heathland and Acid Grassland Opportunity Area	CBA	CBA
Woodland Opportunity Area	CBA	CBA
1:250,000 Raster Map <sup>5</sup>	OS Open Data	OS
Figure 4.1 – Woodland Habitat Opportunity Mapping	(Witham Valley Country I	Park/Lincoln
Principal Urban Area & Environs)	CUDU	CLIPLI
Witham Valley Country Park Boundary	CLJPU	CLJPU
Sustainable Urban Extension Boundaries	CLJPU	CLJPU
BAP and Undetermined Habitats	GLNP	GLNP
Phase 1 Habitats	LWT	GLNP
English Woodland Grant Scheme <sup>6</sup>	FC	FC
National Forest Inventory 2011 <sup>6</sup>	FC	FC
Ancient Woodland <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Deciduous Woodland <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Traditional Orchards <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Woodland Trust Sites	WT	WT
Lincoln Eastern Bypass Planning Boundary	LCC	CLJPU
Permitted Sand and Gravel Sites	LCC	LCC
Permitted Oil and Gas Sites	LCC	LCC
Permitted Limestone Sites	LCC	LCC
Permitted Chalk Quarry Sites	LCC	LCC
Dormant Sites	LCC	LCC
Closed Landfill Sites	LCC	LCC
Submitted Waste Sites	LCC	LCC
Submitted Minerals Sites	LCC	LCC
	CLC	CLJPU
Parks and Gardens		CLJI C

Dataset	Data Source/Supplier	Owner
Cemeteries (Active)	CLC	CLJPU
Cemeteries and Burial Grounds (Disused)	CLC	CLJPU
Green Wedge Regions	CLC	CLJPU
Open Space Green Wedges	CLC	CLJPU
Parks and Gardens	Merged Dataset	CBA
	Created by CBA	CD/Y
Wood Pasture & Parkland <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Ancient Woodland Buffer	CBA	CBA
1:50,000 Raster Map <sup>5</sup>	CLIPU	OS
Figure 4.2 – Wetland Habitat Opportunity Mapping (W	,	
Principal Urban Area & Environs)	ritham valley country i	ark/Enreon
Witham Valley Country Park Boundary	CLJPU	CLJPU
Sustainable Urban Extension Boundaries	CLJPU	CLJPU
Airfields	CBA	CBA
BAP and Undetermined Habitats	GLNP	GLNP
Phase 1 Habitats	LWT	GLNP
Lakes	KL Water	KL Water
Fens <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE Water
Lowland Raised Bogs <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Reedbeds <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
	NE	NE
Coastal & Floodplain Grazing Marsh <sup>1</sup> Lowland Meadows <sup>1</sup>		
	NE	NE
Undetermined Grassland <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
WFD Rivers	EA	EA
Lincoln Eastern Bypass Planning Boundary	LCC	CLJPU
Submitted Minerals Sites	LCC	LCC
Submitted Waste Sites	LCC	LCC
Dormant Sites	LCC	LCC
Closed Landfill Sites	LCC	LCC
Permitted Sand and Gravel Sites	LCC	LCC
Permitted Oil and Gas Sites	LCC	LCC
Permitted Limestone Sites	LCC	LCC
Permitted Chalk Quarry Sites	LCC	LCC
Wetland Opportunity Area	CBA	CBA
Wetland Opportunity Area (LWT)	LWT	LWT
Washlands	EA	EA
1:50,000 Raster Map <sup>5</sup>	CLJPU	OS
Figure 4.3 – Heathland and Acid Grassland Habitat Op	oportunity Mapping (Wit	ham Valley
Country Park/Lincoln Principal Urban Area & Environs)	1	1
Witham Valley Country Park Boundary	CLJPU	CLJPU
Sustainable Urban Extension Boundaries	CLJPU	CLJPU
BAP and Undetermined Habitats	GLNP	GLNP
Phase 1 Habitats	LWT	GLNP
Lowland Heathland <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Lowland Dry Acid Grassland <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Purple Moor Grass Rush Pastures <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
National Forest Inventory 2011 <sup>6</sup>	FC	FC
Permitted Sand and Gravel Sites	LCC	LCC
Submitted Minerals Sites	LCC	LCC
DiGMapGB-50 – Superficial <sup>4</sup>	EA – Datashare	BGS
Parks and Gardens	CLC	CLJPU
Allotments	CLC	CLJPU
Cemeteries (Active)	CLC	CLJPU
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Dataset	Data Source/Supplier	Owner
Cemeteries and Burial Grounds (Disused)	CLC	CLJPU
Green Wedge Regions	CLC	CLJPU
Open Space Green Wedges	CLC	CLJPU
Parks and Gardens	Merged Dataset	CBA
	Created by CBA	
Wood Pasture & Parkland <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
1:50,000 Raster Map <sup>5</sup>	CLJPU	OS
Figure 4.4 – Calcareous Grassland Habitat Opportunity	Mapping (Witham Vall	ey Country
Park/Lincoln Principal Urban Area & Environs)		, ,
Witham Valley Country Park Boundary	CLJPU	CLJPU
Sustainable Urban Extension Boundaries	CLJPU	CLJPU
BAP and Undetermined Habitats	GLNP	GLNP
Phase 1 Habitats	LWT	GLNP
Local Wildlife Sites	GLNP	GLNP
Lowland Calcareous Grassland <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Lincoln Eastern Bypass Planning Boundary	LCC	LCC
Submitted Minerals Sites	LCC	LCC
Permitted Limestone Sites	LCC	LCC
Parks and Gardens	CLC	CLJPU
Allotments	CLC	CLJPU
Cemeteries (Active)	CLC	CLJPU
Cemeteries and Burial Grounds (Disused)	CLC	CLJPU
Green Wedge Regions	CLC	CLJPU
Open Space Green Wedges	CLC	CLJPU
Parks and Gardens	Merged Dataset	CBA
Faiks and Galdens	Created by CBA	CDA
Wood Pasture & Parkland <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
DiGMapGB-50 – Bedrock <sup>4</sup>	EA – Datashare	BGS
1:50,000 Raster Map <sup>5</sup>	CLIPU	OS
Appendix F Figure – Agricultural Land Classification	CLJFO	03
Central Lincolnshire Boundary	CLJPU	CLJPU
Agricultural Land Classification <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
1:250,000 Raster Map <sup>5</sup>		OS
	OS Open Data	03
Appendix F Figure – DiGMapGB-50 – Bedrock	CURU	CUDU
Central Lincolnshire Boundary	CLJPU	CLJPU
DiGMapGB-50 – Bedrock <sup>4</sup>	EA – Datashare	BGS
1:250,000 Raster Map <sup>5</sup>	OS Open Data	OS
Appendix F Figure – DiGMapGB-50 – Superficial Deposits	CUDU	CUDU
Central Lincolnshire Boundary	CLJPU	CLJPU
DiGMapGB-50 – Superficial <sup>4</sup>	EA – Datashare	BGS
1:250,000 Raster Map <sup>5</sup>	OS Open Data	OS
Appendix F Figure – Designated Sites	CLIPLI	CLIPLI
Central Lincolnshire Boundary	CLJPU	CLJPU
Sites of Special Scientific Interest <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Sites of Nature Conservation Importance	GLNP	GLNP
RSPB Reserves England <sup>2</sup>	CLJPU	RSPB
National Nature Reserves <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust Roadside Nature Reserves	GLNP	GLNP
Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust Reserves	GLNP	GLNP
Local Wildlife Sites	GLNP	GLNP
Local Nature Reserves <sup>1</sup>	NE	NE
1:250,000 Raster Map <sup>5</sup>	OS Open Data	OS
Appendix F Figure – Flood Zone		

Dataset	Data Source/Supplier	Owner
Central Lincolnshire Boundary	CLJPU	CLJPU
Flood Zone 3	EA	EA
1:250,000 Raster Map <sup>5</sup>	OS Open Data	OS
Appendix F Figure – Landscape Description Units		
Central Lincolnshire Boundary	CLJPU	CLJPU
Landscape Description Units (LDU) Level 1 <sup>3</sup>	EA – Datashare	NE
1:250,000 Raster Map <sup>5</sup>	OS Open Data	OS
Appendix F Figure – Strategic Housing Land Availability Asses	sment (SHLAA)	
Central Lincolnshire Boundary	CLJPU	CLJPU
SHLAA Dataset	CLC	CLJPU
1:250,000 Raster Map <sup>5</sup>	OS Open Data	OS

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APPENDIX B Biodiversity & Ecology Stakeholder Workshop Note

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# Appendix B Workshop 1 (Biodiversity & Ecology) Comments and Feedback Summary

Attendees for Workshop 1 are listed in Table1 below:

Name Organisation Organisation	
Jon Watson	
Gill Wilson	City of Lincoln Council
Allan Binding	County Wildlife Specialist
Andy Bailey	Environment Agency
Lesley Clarke	Environment Agency
Adrienne Bennett	Forestry Commission
David White	Forestry Commission
Fran Hitchinson	Greater Lincolnshire Nature Partnership
Claire Schofield	Greater Lincolnshire Nature Partnership
Liz Fleuty	Lincolnshire County Council
Matthew Harrison	Lincolnshire County Council
Nigel Sardeson	Lincolnshire County Council
Elizabeth Biott	Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust
Jeremy Fraser	Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust
Caroline Steel	Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust
Mark Schofield	Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust (Life on the Verge)
Steve Jack	Lincolnshire Wolds AONB
Paul Tame	National Farmers Union
Kate Fagan	Natural England
Ryan Hildred	Natural England
Chris Williams	Nettleham Woodland Trust
Marcus Craythorne	North Kesteven DC
Jenni Blakeman	Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust
Jenny Wallace	RSPB

 Table 1: List of Attendees to Workshop 1.

A total of 46 clarifications and items of information were recorded during the workshop. The clarifications and information have been absorbed into the report and have been provided to the project Steering Group to provide a basis for further work and incorporation into detailed feasibility studies that will need to be undertaken to develop specific projects further. **Table 2** provides a summary of the types of comments received.

**Table 2**: Summary of Clarifications and Points of Information

Information Type	Number of Comments
Data anomalies	11
Management priorities	10
Quality of habitats (existing)	10
Scales of intervention	3
IDB Management	3
Management issues	2
BOA validation	2

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Information Type	Number of Comments
Species information	2
Data management	2
Unrecorded sites	1

A total of 68 opportunities were identified during the workshop. **Table 3** provides a summary of the opportunities identified and identifies where those opportunities have been incorporated into the BOM study.

Habitat	Opportunity Type	Comment	Location / Map Ref.
Central Lincolnshire Scale			
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Management	Very complex area. Local knowledge needed to target any work south of Caister.	BOA J
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Assessment	Species priorities need referencing.	Outside the scope of the BOM at the current time.
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Creation	Public Rights of Way network – links between villages south of Messingham.	BOA I
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Creation	Possible opportunity through power line undergrounding in AONB around Market Rasen.	BOA J
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Assessment	Wolds Phase 1 data (with LERC) for land around Caister.	Data incorporated into the BOM Study
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Creation	Opportunity to link biodiversity with PROW network around Brigg.	BOA J
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Restoration	Priority area for heathland restoration from forest east of East Ferry.	BOA I
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Assessment	Information needs to be easily accessible and easy to use for organisations developing schemes e.g. EWGS and HLS	BOM application addressed in Section 6.0
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Management	For neutral grassland – question appropriateness of target areas – so fragmented. Is protecting what we have and getting their management right better?	Addressed in Section 3.0
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Creation	Diffuse calcareous grassland opportunity area south of Caister.	BOA M
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Creation	Grassland on Lincolnshire edge/cliff – HLS or equivalent opportunity, south of Waddington	BOA M
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Creation	Outside the project area – but good opportunity for heathland restoration in this area around Woodhall Spa.	Outside C Lincs but within BOA B
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Creation	Whole plan area – grassland opportunities on (prematurely) closed waste sites (thin soil so less good for agric).	Waste sites included within BOA assessment
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Creation	Potential for heathland creation in the Spalford, North Scarle, Besthorpe area towards Eagle/Whisby. Link with aggregates industry and future plans.	BOA K

 Table 3: Summary of Opportunities identified

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Habitat	Opportunity Type	Comment	Location / Map Ref.
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Creation	Grassland creation in connection with Lea Marsh SSSI – possible future sand/gravel	BOA D
ricatilianu		extraction.	
Grassland and	Habitat Creation	Opportunities for calcareous grassland lies	BOA M
Heathland		less on the steep slopes to the west as on	
		agric land on the chalk plateau east of	
		Caister.	
Grassland and	Habitat Creation	Link Laughton Forest habitats for woodlark,	Outside C Lincs but
Heathland		nightjar, adder etc. with locations around	within BOA I
		Scunthorpe (part of Scunthorpe link?).	
Grassland and	Habitat Assessment	Hedgerows and assess trees. Roadside	Not currently defined
Heathland		verges outside 'Life on the Verge' north of	by a BOA due to lack
		Lincoln (on A15 axis).	of current data
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	Riparian wet woodland south of Wragby	BOA B
Woodland		and around Sleaford.	BOA H
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	Hedgerow links out from woodland/	BOA B
Woodland		woodland belts in woodlands to the west	
		of Minting. Dormice.	
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	Ancholme Valley – floodplain ripe for wet	BOA C
Woodland		grassland creation and reedbed and wet	
		woodland.	
Wetland and	Habitat Restoration	Heathland restoration woods west of	BOA J
Woodland		Market Rasen	
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	General opportunity area for mosaic of	BOA K
Woodland		habitats south west of North Hykeham –	
		more complex than just woodland. In terms of accessible greenspace this is ideal	
		for a mosaic of habitats but perhaps not	
		just woodland.	
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	Potential for washland/wet grazing	BOA H
Woodland	Thistat creation	meadows in the future? Around Tattershall	
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	Upper Witham – potential for woodland	Outside C Lincs but
Woodland		planting in upper reaches?	included in BOA F
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	Burton Waters area- potential for wetland	BOA E
Woodland		areas adjacent to residential site?	воа к
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	Wet woodland opportunities for creation	воа к
Woodland		east of Collingham.	
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	Washland creation connected to flood	BOA F
Woodland		alleviation – River Brant.	
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	Washland creation connected to flood	BOA G
Woodland		alleviation – River Witham.	
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	Washland creation connected to flood	BOA G
Woodland		alleviation – River Till.	
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	Wetland and woodland potential and pre-	BOA D
Woodland		existing work at power stations along Trent	
		– Cottam, West Burton – could link with	
		other habitats.	
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	Larger wet grassland potential around	BOA A
Woodland		Gainsborough area west of Trent – around	BOA D
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	RSPB at Beckingham Marshes.	Applying the consitivity
Wetland and Woodland	Habitat Creation	Why not Willingham Woods? Caistor – M.R.	Applying the sensitivity
vvoouianu	l	/VI.IX.	criteria (Section 3.3)

Habitat	Opportunity Type	Comment	Location / Map Ref.
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	Should not rule out wetland areas just	Various locations
Woodland		because of RAF flight paths. An RAF officer	shown on Fig. 3.2
		has suggested they are open to discussion,	0
		e.g. depending on placement of wetland,	
		this might attract birds AWAY from key	
		RAF sites/flight paths.	
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	Possibility of extending opportunity for wet	BOA G
Woodland	Habitat Creation		DOV C
woodiand		grazing/wetland east of Lincoln. Possibility	
		of high quality field drains here – money	
		needed for project to survey.	
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	Wetland opportunities, mainly driven by	BOA D
Woodland		aggregates industry – linking up with	BOA K
		quarries/existing wetlands in Trent	
		Valley/Notts. Some quarries in Notts at	
		Langford, Besthorpe and Girton will	
		expand, but there are also opportunities in	
		the Eagle/ Swinderby/ N.Scarle area.	
		and Lagio, entitions, resource area.	
Lincoln PUA/SU	Es/WVCP Scale		
Grassland	Habitat Creation	Viking Way along cliff and through South	Fig 4.5
		Common and other grassland could act as	No 8
		a good corridor with access.	
Grassland	Habitat Creation	Major scope for calcareous grassland	Fig 4.5
Glassiallu	Tabilat Creation	creation in connection with link	Nos 3, 4
			INUS 5, 4
		development including large buffer to	
		Greetwell Hollow NR.	F: 4 F
Grassland	Habitat Creation	Calcareous grassland potential around	Fig 4.5
<u> </u>		Canwick.	Nos 4
Grassland	Habitat Management	Change management of allotment sites and	Fig 4.5
		cemeteries to better benefit wildlife.	No 1
Grassland	Habitat Creation	Lincoln Eastern Bypass – great opportunity	Fig 4.5
		for limestone grassland creation to link	No 7
		Bloxholme Lane LWS and Greetwell	
		Quarry.	
Grassland	Habitat Creation	Limestone grassland opportunities as part	Fig 4.5
		of SUE.	No 4
Grassland	Habitat Management	Opportunities to enhance the habitats in	Fig 4.4
	0	the greenspaces south of Lincoln e.g. better	0
		grassland management.	
Grassland	Habitat Creation	Opportunities to extend grassland on banks	Fig 4.5
Grassianu		of River Witham and scrapes.	No 21
Grassland	Habitat Creation		
UIASSIdIIU	i idultat CledilOII	Bypass as a barrier to permeability – needs	Fig 4.5
		to mitigate through maximising	No 7
		opportunities along the line.	
Grassland	Habitat Creation	Development masterplan to consider green	Fig 4.5
		wedges to create links to county site.	Nos 4, 5, 6, 7, 8
Grassland	Habitat Management	Local knowledge is needed to prioritise	Fig 4.5
Glassiallu	5	acid grassland around Canwick Hill / South	No. 8
Grassianu			1
Grassianu		Common. The large block shown here is	
Grassiand		Common. The large block shown here is fertile whereas the small block to the north-	
Grassianu		fertile whereas the small block to the north-	
Heathland	Habitat Creation		Fig 4.3

Habitat	Opportunity Type	Comment	Location / Map Ref.
Heathland	Habitat Creation	Any space for more heathland?	Fig 4.3
		Questionable.	No 24
Heathland	Habitat Creation	Size of heathland – is there any point in pursuing small stepping stones?	Opportunity Areas identified. Recommend minimum size requirement for heathland creation = 30ha. Will require feasibility work
Heathland	Habitat Creation	Only consider contiguous areas or minimum size 30ha for new/standalone habitat.	Recommendation included in report
Heathland	Habitat Creation	Enhancement and management of existing heathland and woodland areas.	Fig 4.3 No 24
Wetland and Woodland	Habitat Creation	Possible wet woodland sites.	Fig 4.2 No 31
Wetland and Woodland	Habitat Creation	Scope for woodland clearance to favour remnant more open wetland habitat e.g. water violet and sphagnum.	Fig 4.2 No 24
Wetland and Woodland	Habitat Creation	Potential for SUDS scheme – going hand in hand with SUE.	Fig 4.2 No 10
Wetland and Woodland	Habitat Creation	Opportunity for tree planting within development (proposed arboretum around Baker memorial (?)), southern boundary of South Common.	Not included as grassland opportunities consideredto be the priority in this area
Wetland and Woodland	Habitat Creation	Potential tree planting as part of bypass/landscaping development.	Fig 4.1 No 7
Wetland and Woodland	Habitat Creation	Some wet woodland to link Harbhome and Barthan Mere.	Fig. 4.2 No 9
Wetland and Woodland	Habitat Creation	Scope for major wetland creation, including along the drains.	Fig 4.2 No 9
Wetland and Woodland	Habitat Management	HLS current wetland site at Blackmoor Bridge – maintain/enhance/expand.	Fig 4.2 No 31
Wetland and Woodland	Habitat Management	Enhancement of existing wetlands on gravel pits.	Fig 4.2 No 24
Wetland and Woodland	Habitat Management	Management and enhancement of existing woodland.	Fig 4.2 No 14
Wetland and Woodland	Habitat Creation	Development to incorporate SUDS – combination of systems to provide wildlife links.	Fig 4.2 No 9
Wetland and Woodland	Habitat Creation	The urban woodland comprising street trees needs to be looked at as habitat creation as well as (primarily) amenity and also heat management in Lincoln.	Fig 4.5 No 1
Wetland and Woodland	Habitat Creation	Flood washland (wetland)	Fig 4.2 No 21
Wetland and Woodland	Habitat Creation	Development to incorporate SUDS – combination of systems to provide wildlife links.	Fig 4.2 No 4
Wetland and Woodland	Habitat Creation	Development to incorporate SUDS – combination of systems to provide wildlife links.	Fig 4.2 No 9

APPENDIX C Land Use & Planning Stakeholder Workshop Note

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# Appendix C Workshop 2 (Land Use & Planning) Comments and Feedback Summary

Attendees for Workshop 2 are listed in **Table1** below:

Name Organisation	Organisation
Sarah Rayney	Central Lincolnshire Joint Planning Unit
Brooke Smith	Central Lincolnshire Joint Planning Unit
Gill Wilson	City of Lincoln Council
Andy Bailey	Environment Agency
Liz Cairns	Environment Agency
Lesley Clarke	Environment Agency
Nicola Farr	Environment Agency
David Hutchinson	Environment Agency
Fran Hitchinson	Greater Lincolnshire Nature Partnership
Jenna Poole	Greater Lincolnshire Nature Partnership
Chris Williams	Nettleham Woodland Trust
Marcus Craythorne	North Kesteven District Council
Ken Bolland	Lincolnshire County Council
Liz Fleuty	Lincolnshire County Council
Brendan Gallagher	Lincolnshire County Council
Andrew Williams	Lincolnshire County Council
Adrian Winkley	Lincolnshire County Council
Chris Miller	Lincolnshire County Council (Countryside Access)
Elizabeth Biott	Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust
Caroline Steel	Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust
Roslyn Deeming	Natural England
Guy Bird	Upper Witham IDB

 Table 1: List of Attendees to Workshop 2.

A total of 77 clarifications and items of information were recorded during the workshop. The clarifications and information have been absorbed into the report and have been provided to the project Steering Group to provide a basis for further work and incorporation into detailed feasibility studies that will need to be undertaken to develop specific projects further. Table 2 provides a summary of the types of comments received.

Table 2: Summa	ry of Clarifications and Points of Information
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Information Type	Number of Comments
Clarifications / data anomalies	28
Landuse	25
Habitat quality	17
Species information	4
Access	3

A total of 43 opportunities were identified during the workshop. Table 3 provides a summary of the opportunities identified and identifies where those opportunities have been incorporated into the BOM study.

Habitat	Opportunity Type	Comment	Location / Map Ref.	
Central Lincolns	Central Lincolnshire Scale			
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Creation	Potential development for completed landfill sites.	BOA L	
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Creation	Appropriate management of road verges e.g. cut and bale, scrub removal to enhance verges and restore verges e.g. calcareous and neutral grassland. Or less cutting e.g. on edges of towns/ villages.	BOA L	
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Creation	Potential for green space – double as flood protection.	BOA B	
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Creation	Potential to develop wetland – in floodplain – part of flood risk mitigation.	BOA E Boa K	
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Creation	Floodplain/ grazing marsh/ neutral grassland good here by the Trent.	BOA D	
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Creation	Potential for limestone grassland north of Lincoln.	Report recommends surveys of limestone grasslands north of Lincoln to inform the development of the BOM	
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Creation	Calcareous grassland opportunity area.	BOA M	
Grassland and Heathland	Habitat Creation	Hedgerow restoration – restoring farm boundaries along LEB.	Fig. 3.5 BOA L	
		Opportunity to create calcareous grassland along verges of LEB and tie in with verges along Bracebridge Heath to Shipwick Road (Local Wildlife Site).	Fig. 4.4 No. 7	
Wetland and Woodland	Habitat Creation	Good quality woodland – potential for expansion (Nocton, Potterhanworth etc.)	BOA B BOA G	
Wetland and Woodland	Habitat Creation	Sleaford northern extension – open space could have calcareous grassland developed – potential Local Nature Reserve.	BOA L	

Table 3: Summary of Opportunities identified

Habitat	Opportunity Type	Comment	Location / Map Ref.
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	Woodland buffering and linkage	BOA A
Woodland		opportunities which could come from	BOA I
		developer contributions.	
		Natural regeneration opportunities for	
		extension to each woodland block -	
		increase size of woodland = increased	
		resilience to invested use.	
		Opportunity (depending on land	
		ownership) for open space –	
		heathland creation through developer	
		contributions + open space provision	
		for increased housing.	
		Use brownfield sites to link habitats	
		and create routes into town -	
		potentially better as open habitats than	
		woodland.	
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	River Brant – potential for	BOA F
Woodland		improvements in water quality.	
		Habitat restoration – bankside habitat.	F: 4 F
Wetland and Woodland	Habitat Creation	Potential use of SUDS to create nature sites – dual purpose – all new	Fig. 4.5 No. 1
wooulanu		development.	INO. I
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	Barlings Eau – potential for river	BOA G
Woodland		restoration – in channel works – berns/	
		habitat etc.	
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	Hedgerow planting as connections	BOA B
Woodland		between woodlands e.g. limewoods -	
		green corridors e.g. to enable species	
		such as dormice to move across the landscape.	
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	Restoration of plantations on ancient	BOA A
Woodland		woodland sites to broadleaved	BOA B
		woodlands.	
Wetland and Woodland	Suggestion	Prioritise unmappable agricultural	To be undertaken as part
woodiand		landscape features (small fields, margins, hedgerows) within lower	of more detailed feasibility work
		grade agricultural land.	leasionity work
Wetland and	Suggestion	Good opportunities for restoration of	BOA J
Woodland		heathland from woodland.	
Wetland and Woodland	Habitat Creation	Prioritise woodland within Gainsborough development not NG/	Fig 3.5 BOA A
woouland		grazing marsh/ wetland.	BOA A
Wetland and	Habitat	Issue – large scale habitat	To be considered
Woodland	Management	management – resourcing.	through project development
Wetland and	Habitat	Opportunity to develop Trust's	BOA E
Woodland	Management	community management.	BOA K
Lincoln PUA/SU			
Grassland	Suggestion	Good opportunities for floodplain/	Fig 4.2
		grazing marsh/ neutral targeting of	No 21
	L	agri-env schemes + other sites.	

Appendix C – Workshop 2 Biodiversity Opportunity Mapping Study For Central Lincolnshire

Habitat	Opportunity Type	Comment	Location / Map Ref.
Grassland	Suggestion	Encourage re-establishment of	Fig 4.4
		calcareous grassland?! Viking Way.	No 28
Grassland	Habitat Creation	Green roofs.	Fig 4.5
			No 1
			Fig 4.2
			No 9
Grassland	Suggestion	Opportunities for species-rich	Fig 4.3, 4.4
		grassland (acid or calcareous?) as part of SUE.	No 8
Grassland	Habitat Creation	Opportunities for calcareous grassland	Fig 4.4
		restoration/ creation to mitigate loss	No 4
		through development of SUE.	
Grassland	Habitat Creation	Opportunity for calcareous grassland	Fig 4.5
		as part of quarry restoration.	No 1
Grassland	Habitat Creation	Safeguard South Hykeham – keep area	Fig 4.2
		to East as open green space (around	No 21
		cemetery) – develop decent neutral grassland.	
Grassland	Habitat Creation	General note - think acid grassland/	Fig 4.3
		heathland opportunity zones/ areas	
		need defining more specifically i.e. in	
		line with superficial deposits rather	
		than <u>broad</u> areas.	
Grassland	Habitat Creation	Link Ash Lound to next woodland to	Fig 4.1
		the north – up to cycle path.	Nos 16, 17
Grassland	Habitat Creation	Heathy/ grassy/ open woodland open	Fig 4.1
		space – from developer contributions	No 15
		to some increasing population of Skellingthorpe.	
Grassland	Habitat Creation	Potential expansion/ buffering of South	Fig 4.4
Grassiana		Common (along Viking Way) and	Nos 23, 28
		linked to other new green space	100 20, 20
		(predominantly calcareous grassland)	
		within developments.	
Grassland	Habitat Creation	Calcareous grassland verge to link	Fig 4.4
		bypass to Local Wildlife Site north-	
		west of Branston.	
Grassland	Habitat Creation	If Swanpool was developed - proper	Fig 4.2
		SUDS, reedbeds and habitat creation	No 9
		+ proper flood risk attenuation.	
		"Ecology village"/ flagship	
		development within WVCP.	
		Ecological housing e.g. green roofs/	
		permeable gardens/ surfacing etc.	F: 4 F
Grassland	Habitat Creation	Greenspace buffers alongside LEB for	Fig 4.5
		proposed housing development around quarry.	No 7
Heathland	Habitat Creation	Potential green space development	Figs 4.1 – 4.5
		mosaic of heathland and wetland and	No 9
		acid grassland.	
Heathland	Habitat Creation	Use fossdyke canal link (SGAL) to	Wetland opportunities
		develop heathland/ acid grassland	prioritised in this area
		corridor.	

Habitat	Opportunity Type	Comment	Location / Map Ref.
Wetland and	Habitat	Opportunity – drain management is an	To beworked up in
Woodland	Management	opportunity for considering shared	detailed projects as they
		objectives – water management.	develop
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	Extend opportunity areas	Fig 4.2
Woodland			Nos 9, 10, 11, 16, 14, 24
Wetland and	Habitat	Keep overlap of wetland and	Fig 4.2
Woodland	Management	heathland as priorities at Whisby.	No 24
			Fig 4.3
			No 24
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	Woodland stepping stones within	Fig 4.1
Woodland		housing.	No 9
Wetland and	Habitat Creation	Link woodland?	Fig 4.2
Woodland			No 8
		Opportunities for wetland/ wet grazing	
		meadow etc. to provide FRM for	
		Lincoln (+ to a lesser extent Boston) +	
		FRM mitigation for new eastern bypass	
		+ provide green space for N + SE	
		growth areas.	

APPENDIX D Water Environment Stakeholder Workshop Note

# Appendix D

# Workshop 3 (Water Environment) Comments and Feedback Summary

Attendees for Workshop 3 are listed in Table1 below:

Name Organisation	Organisation
David Corbelli	Cascade Consulting
Gill Wilson	City of Lincoln Council
Toby Forbes Turner	CoLC
Andy Bailey	Environment Agency
Helen Barber	Environment Agency
Lesley Clarke	Environment Agency
Peter Haslock	Environment Agency
David Hutchinson	Environment Agency
Kamen Kalchev	Environment Agency
Richard Kisby	Environment Agency
Stephanie Pyburn	Environment Agency
Candy Reed	Environment Agency
Phil Smith	Environment Agency
Helen Woodall	Environment Agency
Katharine Samms	Environment Agency (Flood Risk)
Jez Brown	Environment Agency (Ops Delivery)
David Bole	Forestry Commission
Marcus Craythorne	North Kesteven District Council
Matthew Harrison	Lincolnshire County Council
Clare Sterling	Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust
Ruth Snelson	Lincolnshire Wolds Trust
Kristina Gould	Natural England
Neil Pike	Natural England
Chris Williams	Nettleham Woodland trust
John Badley	RSPB / Lincs Bird Club
Michael Copleston	RSPB
Ken Pratt	Upper Witham IDB
Mark Tarttelin	Wild Planet

Table 1: List of Attendees to Workshop 3.

A total of 71 clarifications and items of information were recorded during the workshop. The clarifications and information have been absorbed into the report and have been provided to the project Steering Group to provide a basis for further work and incorporation into detailed feasibility studies that will need to be undertaken to develop specific projects further. Table 2 provides a summary of the types of comments received.

Table 2: Summary of Clarifications and Points of Information

Information Type	Number of Comments
Species information	18
Engineering & management requirements	13
Strategies & other projects	9

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Information Type	Number of Comments
River management & partnerships	9
Habitat management	5
Navigation	4
Data validation	4
Data anomalies	3
Data (information)	2
Water resources	1
Landscape issues	1
Survey work	1
Access	1

A total of 54 opportunities were identified during the workshop. Table 3 provides a summary of the opportunities identified and identifies where those opportunities have been incorporated into the BOM study.

Habitat	Opportunity Type	Comment	Location / Map Ref.	
Central Li	Central Lincolnshire Scale			
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Existing woodlands – link with wet woodland? Key species – willow tit.	воа к	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Gainsborough SUE's – link and buffer existing woodland blocks (not necessarily wetlands – grasslands, pondscapes, SUDS.	BOA A	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Widen floodplain wetland creation. Managing minor floodbanks to create wetlands.	BOA D	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Expansion of washland and associated wetland creation linked with flood alleviation.	BOA F	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Identify reedbed and wet grassland sites that work in tandem with existing sites e.g. Langford/Besthorpe.	BOA D	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	20ha reedbed creation at Dunham lagoons through minor floodbank manipulation.	BOA D	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Mineral sites adjacent to Trent offer best reedbed opportunities for hydrology and restoration designs.	BOA D	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Expansion/creation of washland and/or reedbed linked with flood alleviation.	BOA G	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Creation of meandering water courses in Witham area.	BOA G	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Expansion of washland and associated habitat management/creation linked with flood alleviation.	BOA F	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Opportunity for work with contractors on bypass.	BOA G BOA L	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	University masterplan opportunities?	Fig 4.5 No 1	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Opportunity through development of SUE's.	BOA G BOA L	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Opportunity to improve ecology of Sincil Dyke? Depending on flood risk?	BOA G	

Table 3: Summary of Opportunities identified

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Habitat	<b>Opportunity Type</b>	Comment	Location / Map Ref.
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Sincil Dyke – future opportunity for	BOA G
		decanalisation if land available? For ecology.	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Prial drain issue? Opportunity to develop	BOA G
		project as per Lincoln drainage group.	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Limestone GP – protection of habitat.	BOA G
			BOA L
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Land use change in upper catchment –	Whole area
		agriculture – woods = flood risk management.	intervention
		Silts reduced, phosphates reduced, economic	
		benefits long term increase.	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Upper Langworth Beck. Floodplain restoration	BOA G
		WFD – reedbed polishing?	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Tree planting. Storage. Floodplain wood?	BOA H
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Maybe tree planting opportunities? (FC)	BOA F
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Upper Witham – Storage/attenuation etc.	BOA F
		Marston, Long Bennington, Westboro, Claypole	
		etc. (plant with woodland).	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Opportunities to increase trees to offset Ag	BOA E
		pollution and attenuate run-off (FC).	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Buffer strips of vegetation needed alongside	BOA E
		rivers to prevent sedimentation.	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Trees absorb pollution. Buffer strips – use for	BOA G
		shading along river. Wet woodland – floodplain	
		woodland – alder carr (designated) 100ha on	
1. I D		more sites increase – upper part of Barlings.	
	UA/SUEs/WVCP Sca		<b>F</b> : 4.4
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Limestone grassland very important.	Fig 4.4
\	Lishitat Caratian	Company of Described Access and State CLIDC	No 38
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Swanpool – Reedbeds. Access provision SUDS	Fig 4.2
		linked to development. Boutham Mere –	No 9
		wintering bitterns. Poss impacts or opportunities from adjacent development – breeding bitterns?	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Increased flood run-off from development.	Fig 4.2
vvetianu	Habitat Creation	South Park road already flooded in events.	No 8
		Wetland areas?	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Could be wet grassland + reed + good for RSPB.	Fig 4.2
vettanu		Keep wet. If flood area allowed to get through	Nos 10, 11
		bank will flow into here. Could also do in Bain	1105 10, 11
		valley + elsewhere due to topography.	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	SUE's – SUDS exemplar DEV.S. Highest	Fig 4.2
		standards of sustainable drainage should apply	Nos 1, 4, 9
		to SUE's (can be combined with GI etc.).	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Retrofitting of wetland SUDS to solve water	Fig 4.2
		surface problems.	No 1
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Peatlands and wetlands (existing) could be	Fig 4.2
		extended/ protected in Swanpool.	No 9
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Blue/green (turquoise) corridors along	Fig 4.2
		watercourses in Lincoln – as limited space for	No 1
		BO in urban centre.	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Hartsholme Lake – opportunity to store more	Fig 4.2
		water in woodland area rather than increase	No 14
		size of outfall from Hartsholme Lake.	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Witham green corridor – from South Hykeham	Fig 4.2
vvetianu	Thaonat Creation		0

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Habitat	Opportunity Type	Comment	Location / Map Ref.
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Minerals/gravels. Strategic restoration needed	Fig 4.2
		for eco services/cost benefits etc.	No 24
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Potential wetland habitats	Fig 4.2
			Nos 13, 21
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Wet meadows	Fig 4.2
			Nos 13, 21
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Wetland area creation for drainage reasons.	Fig 4.2 Nos 13, 21
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Canwick growth area could have public	Fig 4.2
		footpath and associated landscaping/ ecological swathe and WFD benefits to link up with Lower	No 8
		Witham public footpath and cycle.	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	RSPB – wet grassland for breeding waders (but	Fig 4.2
		don't put in urban areas where lots of dog walking). Reedbed in urban area – much better for urban area and birds. + good recreation.	Nos 13, 21
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Mineral extraction areas could be good for new	Fig 4.2
		reedbeds.	Nos 29
Wetland	Habitat Creation	'Blue' corridor – water. Use open space and	Fig 4.2
		swales for biodiversity and WFD benefits. Ideal	No 9
		for flood risk emergency events.	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Habitat corridor = Till washlands – Swanpool	Fig 4.2
		reedbeds – wetlands around Whisby –	Nos 9, 10, 14, 19,
		woodland/wet woodland – heath/acid	24, 29, 30
		grassland. Habitat gradient.	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Extension of Skellingthorpe Old Wood – wet	Fig 4.2
		woodland – biodiversity habitat – silt reduction,	No 16
		flood risk management etc.	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Wet woodland creation – new government	Fig 4.2
		initiative to increase woodland cover.	No 31
		Biodiversity habitats, floodrisk, silt and	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	pollutants.	
wettand	Habitat Creation	Brant washlands – peatlands? Value for ecosystem services. CO2 sinks etc. Needs	Fig 4.2 No 31
		mapping/ soils etc.	110 51
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Wetland habitat poss.	Fig 4.2
vvenanu		Wettand habitat poss.	No 31
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Restoration – complimentary wetland sites	Fig 4.2
vvetiana	riabilat creation	(submitted minerals and waste sites) – dark blue.	Nos 29, 30
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Link up opportunity areas?	Fig 4.2
vvetana	Thushat creation		Nos 21, 31
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Catchment for flood/ surface run-off from	Fig 4.2
i i ottailia		development. And chemical/ silt stripping.	Nos 29, 30
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Lincolnshire Broads – interconnecting former	Fig 4.2
		gravel extraction pits, from Stapleford Woods to	Nos 14, 19, 24, 29,
		Western Growth corridor. Water resources	30
		benefit to AWS. Contributes to growth plan of	
		LCC – more houses around lakes. Sailing	
		opportunity. Connectivity of watercourses.	
		Green infrastructure connectivity. Surface water	
		problem solved. Wildlife habitat created. Tourist	
		opportunity.	

APPENDIX E Witham Valley Country Park Stakeholder Workshop Note

## Appendix E

## Workshop 4 (Witham Valley Country Park) Comments and Feedback Summary

Attendees for Workshop 4 are listed in **Table1** below:

Name	Organisation
Andrew Hindmarsh	
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Gill Wilson	City of Lincoln Council
Andy Bailey	Environment Agency
Lesley Clarke	Environment Agency
Liz Fleuty	Lincolnshire County Council
Matthew Harrison	Lincolnshire County Council
Kate Percival	Lincolnshire County Council
Elizabeth Biott	Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust
Jeremy Fraser	Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust
Phil Porter	Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust
Caroline Steel	Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust
Allan Binding	Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust (Life on the Verge)
Elizabeth Barnicott	Natural England
Ryan Hildred	Natural England
Chris Williams	Nettleham Woodland Trust
Marcus Craythorne	North Kesteven District Council
Luisa McIntosh	North Kesteven District Council
Jenni Blakeman	Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust
Alan Flintham	RSPB Lincoln Local Group

 Table 1: List of Attendees to Workshop 4.

A total of 56 clarifications and items of information were recorded during the workshop. The clarifications and information have been absorbed into the report and have been provided to the project Steering Group to provide a basis for further work and incorporation into detailed feasibility studies that will need to be undertaken to develop specific projects further. Table 2 provides a summary of the types of comments received.

 Table 2: Summary of Clarifications and Points of Information

Information Type	Number of Comments
Landuse and Management	14
Access / Recreation	12
Habitat Management	10
Habitat Type / Quality / Ownership	10
Data anomalies	6
Projects	3
Species information	1

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A total of 30 opportunities were identified during the workshop. Table 3 provides a summary of the opportunities identified and identifies where those opportunities have been incorporated into the BOM study.

Habitat	Opportunity Type	Comment	Location / Map Ref.
Grassland	Habitat Management	Stapleford Woods – strategic removal of conifers to promote creation of acid grassland/heathland. Need to ensure ongoing management is appropriate. Already good areas of heathland/acid grassland here where conifers have been cleared.	Fig 4.3 No 35
Grassland	Habitat Restoration	Forestry Commission owned- big opportunity for heathland restoration.	Fig 4.3 Nos 35, 36
Grassland	Habitat Creation	Local community orchard under stewardship (olive green triangle middle left). Opportunity to extend orchards into new development. (Use locally occurring species?)	Fig 4.3 No 8
Grassland	Habitat Creation	Grassland. Wet grassland. Washlands.	Fig 4.1 No 21
Grassland	Habitat Creation	Green wedge overlay.	Fig 4.5 Nos 7, 8
Grassland	Habitat Creation	South E Q opportunity for calcareous grassland creation within masterplan.	Fig 4.4 Nos 8, 23
Grassland	Habitat Creation	Prial drain need to create wider margins along route.	Fig 4.2 No 19
Heathland	Habitat Restoration	Restoration plan for mineral site at Swinderby. Airfield includes pockets of acid grassland around water bodies (acid grassland was recorded on site as part of EIA).	Fig 4.3 Nos 29, 30
Heathland	Habitat Management	Change of land use management on parts of washland (Brant). Use of washland banks for habitat and access.	Fig 4.2 No 31
Heathland	Habitat Creation	Growth of Witham St Hughes/ Swinderby and need for GI provision – plan use of holes in advance.	Fig 4.3 Nos 29, 27, 24
Heathland	Habitat Restoration	Major potential for heathland restoration – but recreational pressure and future management implications. Hospital plantation/ both sites of bypass.	Fig 4.3 Nos 15, 18
Heathland	Habitat Creation	Stapleford Woods – further removal of conifers to create open habitat (heathland/ acid grassland). Need to make sure that future management retains these open habitats.	Fig 4.1 No 39
Heathland	Habitat Restoration	Coniferous woodland gives best opportunity for heathland/acid grassland creation/ restoration.	Fig 4.3 Nos 25, 30, 36

Table 3: Summary of Opportunities identified

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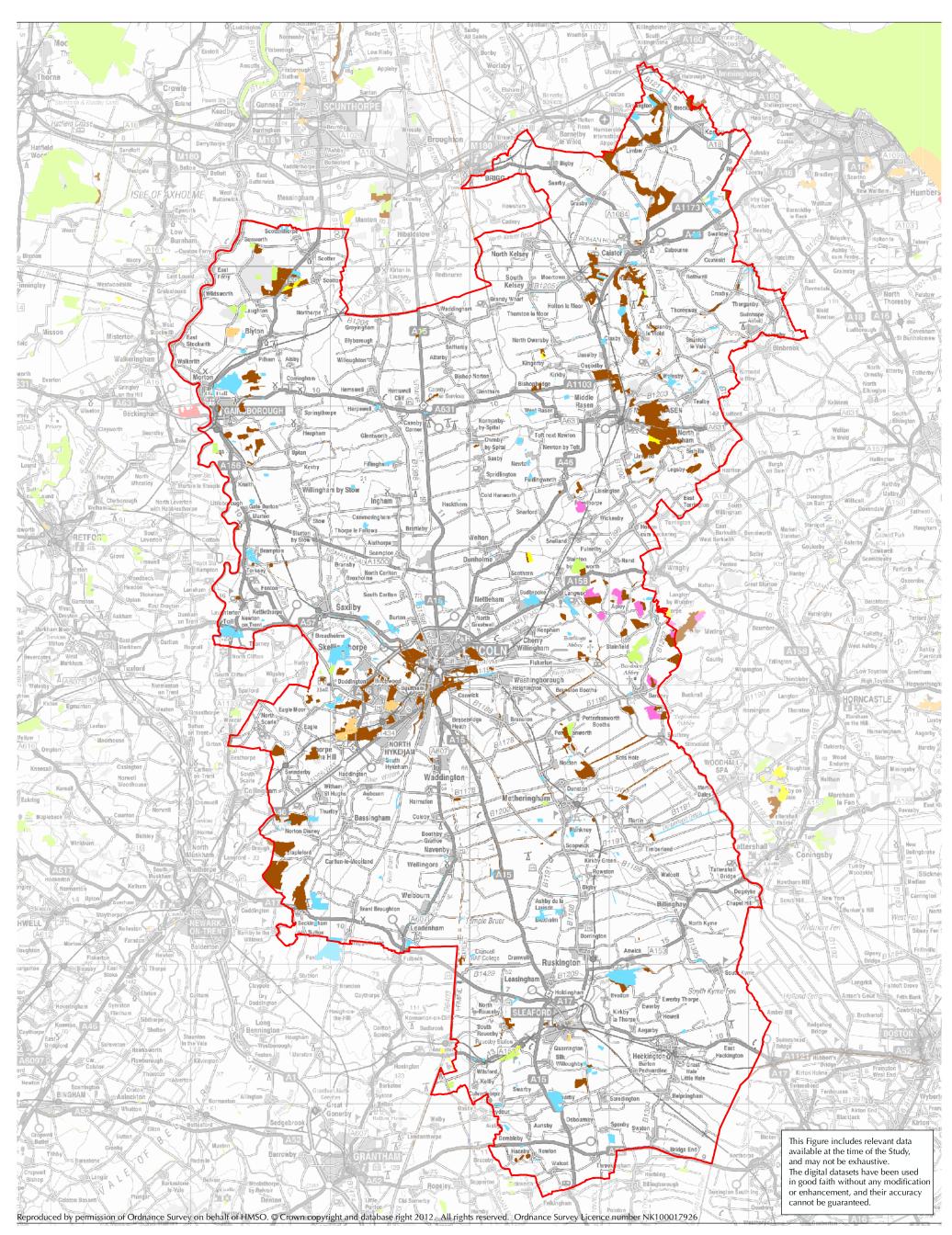
Habitat	Opportunity Type	Comment	Location / Map Ref.
Heathland	Habitat Creation	Opportunity for a heathland corridor -	Fig 4.3
		along railway (green line) up to and	Nos 29, 27, 24
		including university site.	
Heathland	Habitat Creation	Opportunity for university masterplan and	Fig 4.5
		city centre masterplan to consider.	No 1
Wetland	Habitat	Existing wetlands in the Trent Valley and	BOA D
	Restoration	future expansion secured as part of	
		aggregate industry expansion.	
Wetland	Habitat	Small bank canalised drain. Opportunity to	Fig 4.2
	Management	consider biodiversity improvement through	No 19
		creation of more flood space/ washland on	
		vacant site in city?	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Brant washland – Huge potential to create	Fig 4.2
		wetland/ wet grassland within the arable,	No 31
		which is currently arable.	
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Important links west into Trent Vale.	BOA K
			BOA D
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Extend washland potential south (+ wider).	Fig 4.2
		Wetland opportunity area.	Nos 37, 40
Wetland	Habitat Creation	Connections with Trent Valley project area	BOA K
		to the west. Housing growth in west	boa d
		Newark may also be relevant but if growth	
		in east this would be closer.	
Wetland	Habitat	Beckingham Ranges – Opportunities here –	Fig 4.2
	Management	MOD may be able to provide habitat	No 40
<u> </u>		enhancement over a large area.	
Wetland	Habitat	Manage all river banks/ berms as wetland/	Area wide
	Management	neutral grassland. Managed realignment	
<u> </u>		within floodplains.	F' 4.1
Woodland	Habitat Creation	Joining up woodland areas between	Fig 4.1
		Skellingthorpe and Thorney. Existing areas	Nos 15, 16, 17, 25
		of woodland in the two areas are already of	
Woodland	Habitat	high value. Hospital plantation woodland – city	Fig 4.1
wooulanu	Management	council ownership – good screen and noise	No 15
	Management	attenuation between housing and bypass –	Fig 4.3
		woodland clear felling not an option,	No 18
		however possibly heathland mosaic	
		opportunities through creating clearing,	
		possibly to reflect historic airfield layout.	
Woodland	Habitat Creation	Wet woodland expansion zone. Mosaic	Fig 4.1
		with significant reedbed + flood	Nos 9, 11
		management.	Fig 4.2
			Nos 9, 10, 11
Woodland	Habitat Creation	Potential opportunity for coniferous	Fig 4.1
		woodland to heathland/ broadleaved	No 25
		woodland depending on previous land use.	Fig 4.3
			No 25
Woodland	Habitat Creation	Stapleford Moor – opportunities for	Fig 4.3
		heathland creation. Forestry Commission	No 36
		managed.	

Habitat	Opportunity Type	Comment	Location / Map Ref.
Woodland	Habitat Management	Top priority to appropriately manage woodlands especially ancient woodlands to restore to native broadleaves and	detailed projects.
		extensions to buffer. Potential for heathland restoration in non-ancient woodland plantations.	
Woodland	Habitat Creation	Opportunities on prison land for woodland	Fig 4.1
		planting to link Tunman Wood.	No 30

APPENDIX F Background Datasets used to inform the Biodiversity Opportunity Mapping

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Local Nature Reserve

Site of Nature Conservation Importance

Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust Reserve

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**Designated Sites** 

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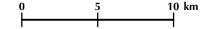
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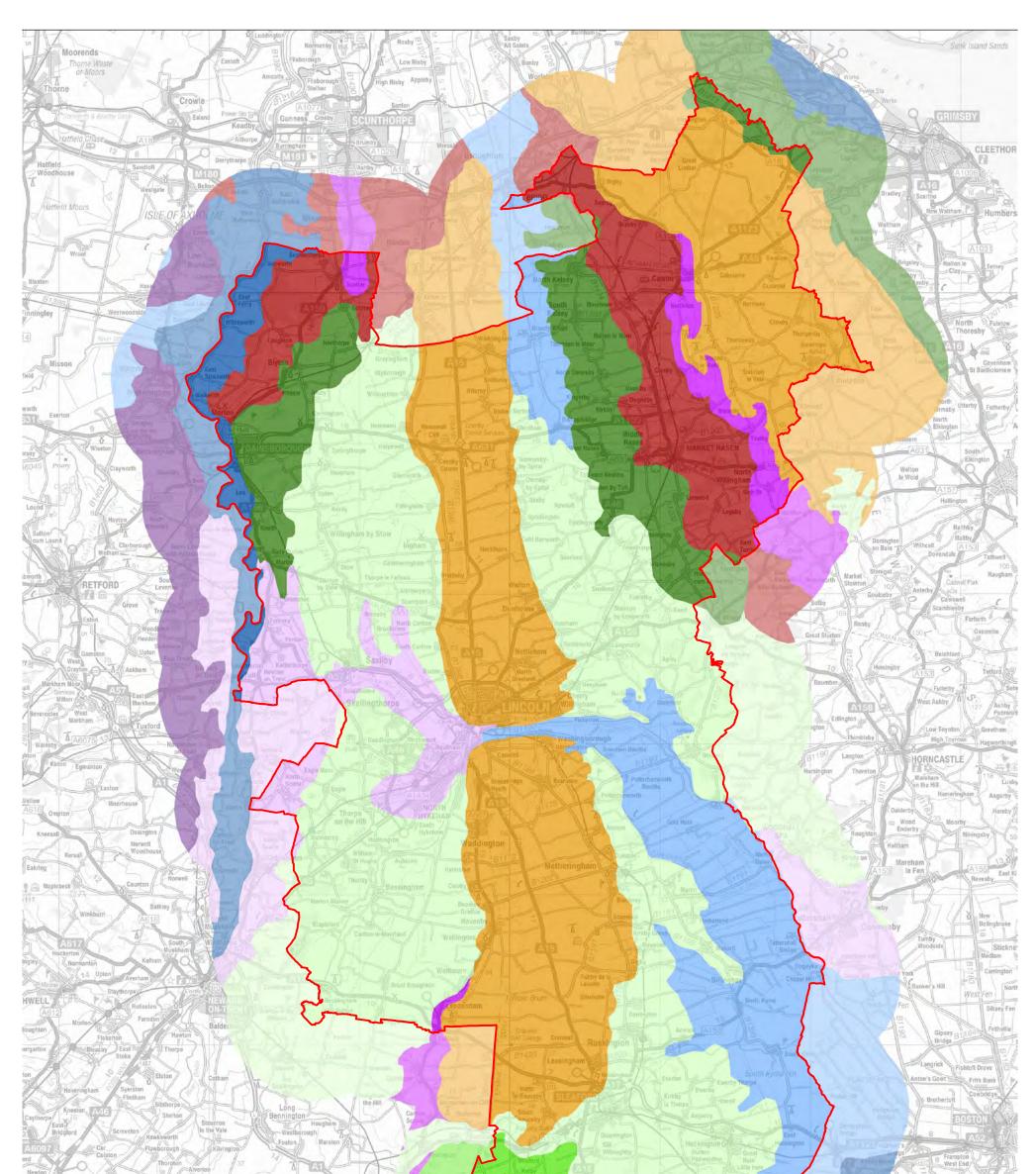








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## KEY



Central Lincolnshire boundary

Ground Type and Associated Habitats



Wg: wetlands - damp (neutral) pasture

Ws: wetlands - swamp and fen



## Bg: deep loamy soils - damp (neutral) pasture Br: deep loamy soils - dry (rough) pasture



Lr: chalk and limestone - dry (rough) pasture

Cg: claylands - damp (neutral) pasture

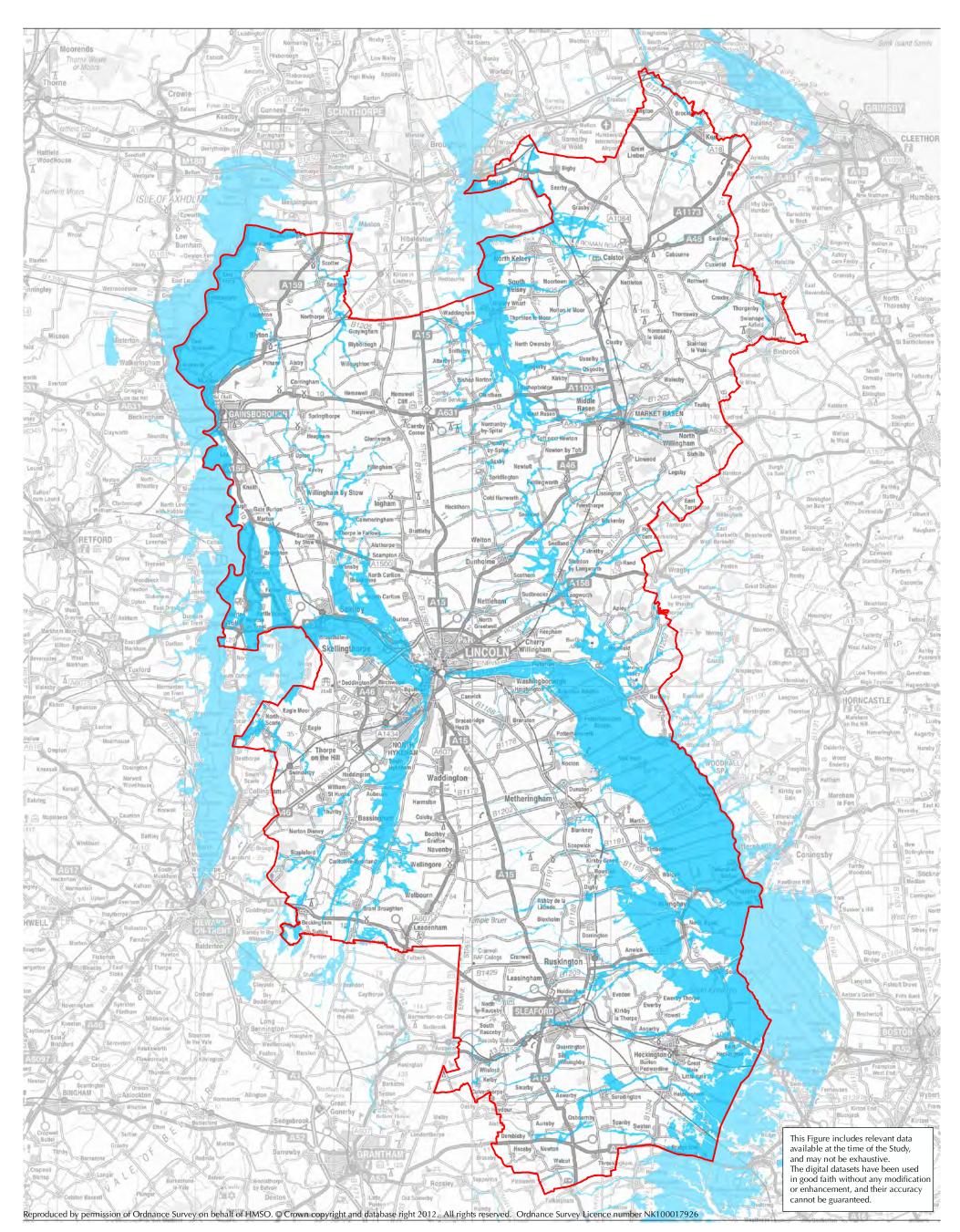
Cr: claylands - dry (rough) pasture Cw: claylands - wet pasture/marsh

Sd: other light land - heath/moor

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Landscape Description Units (LDU) Level 1: Ground Type and Associated Habitats

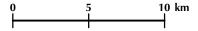
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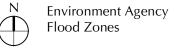
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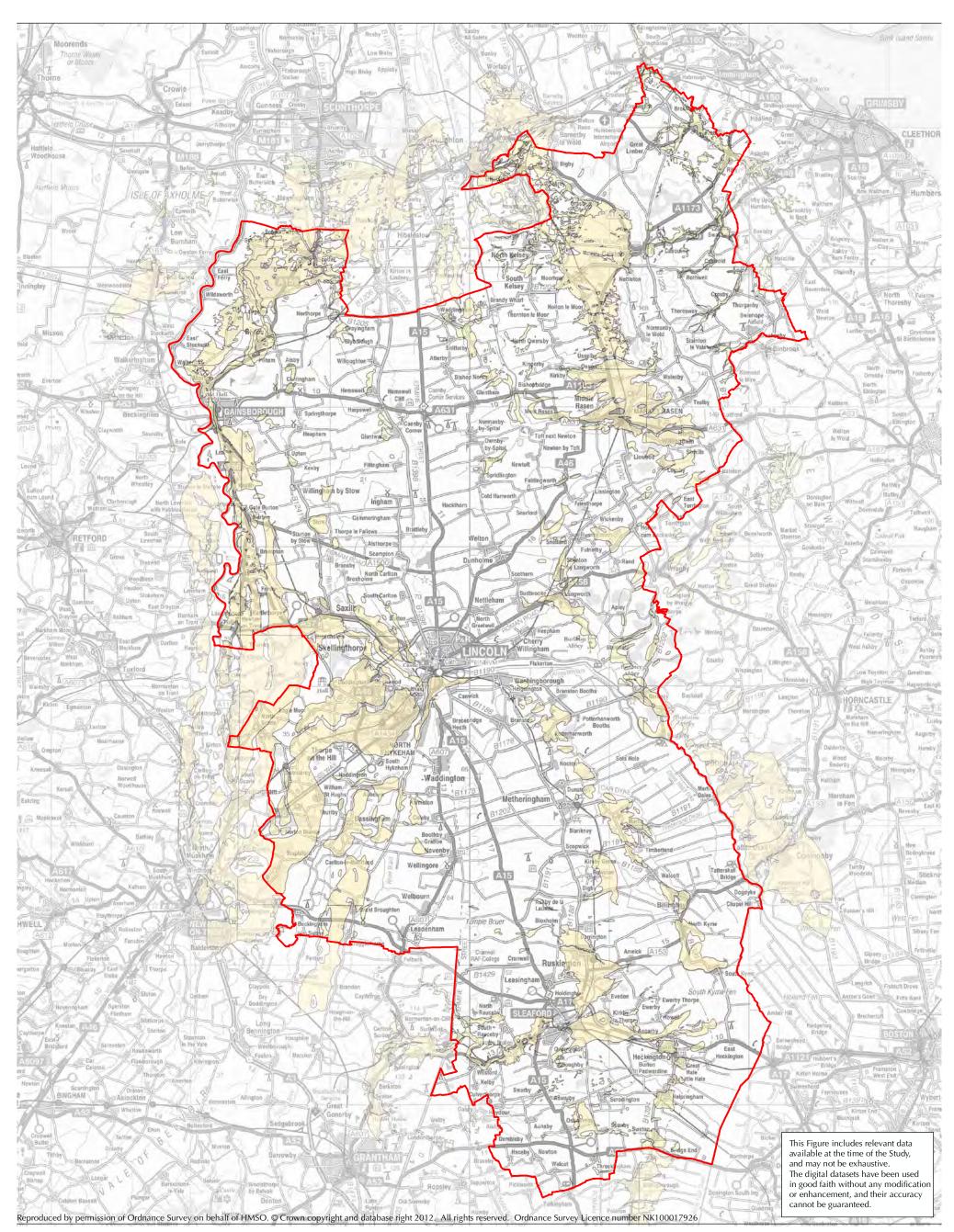
Flood Zone 3 - land with a high probability of flooding (1 in 100 or greater annual probability of river flooding, or a 1 in 200 or greater annual probability of flooding from the sea)



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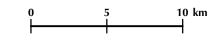


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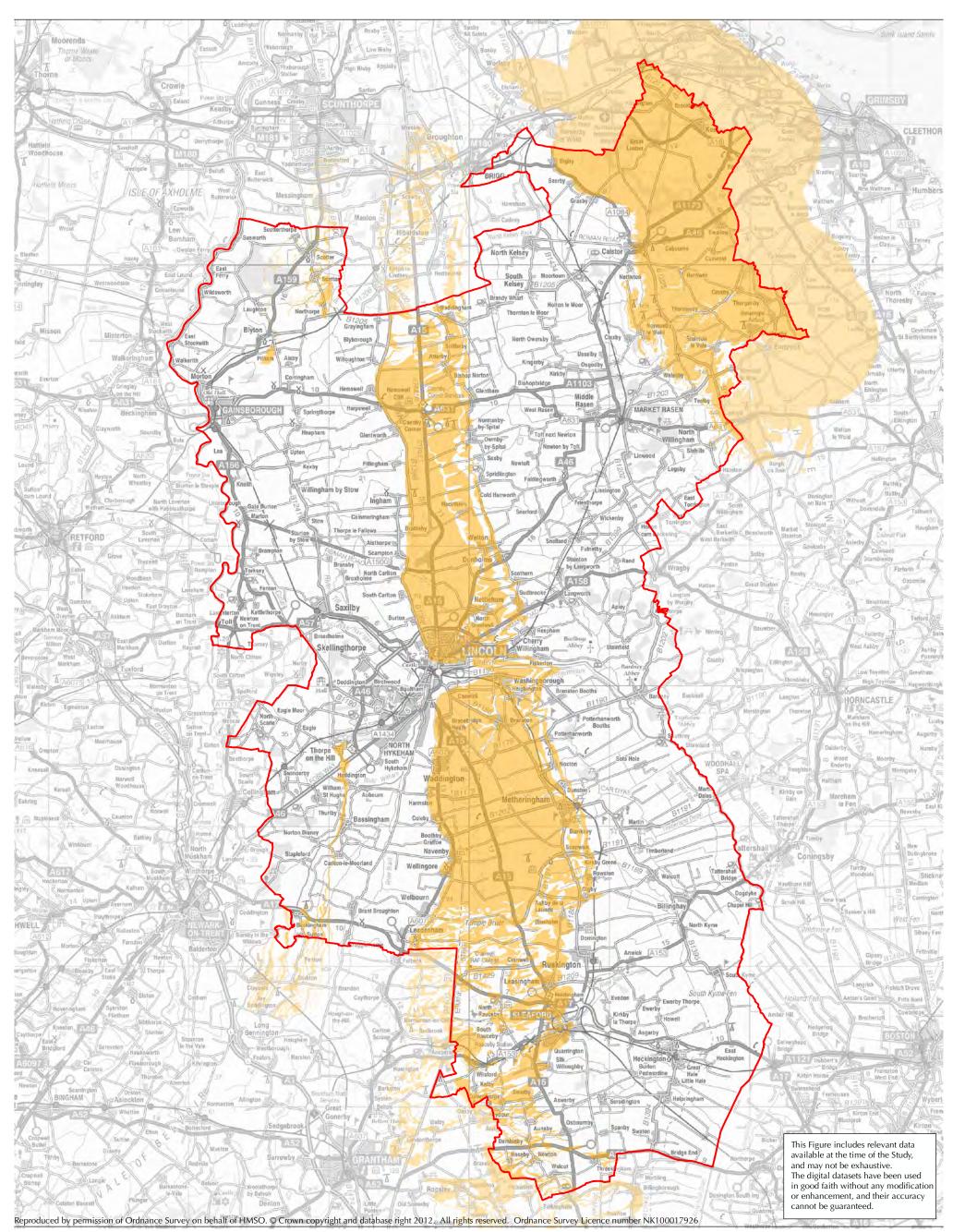


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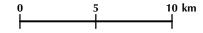


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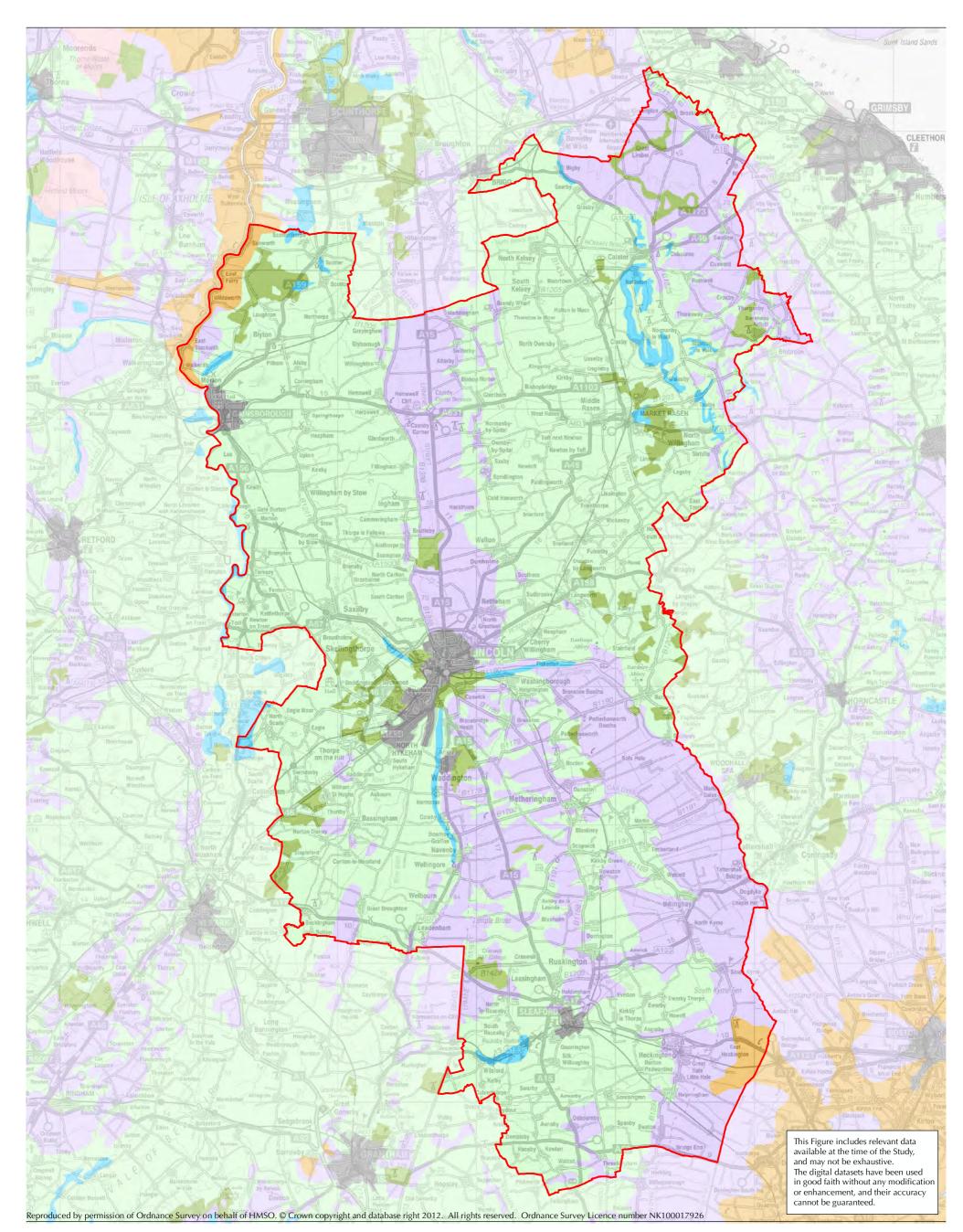
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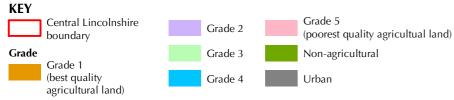


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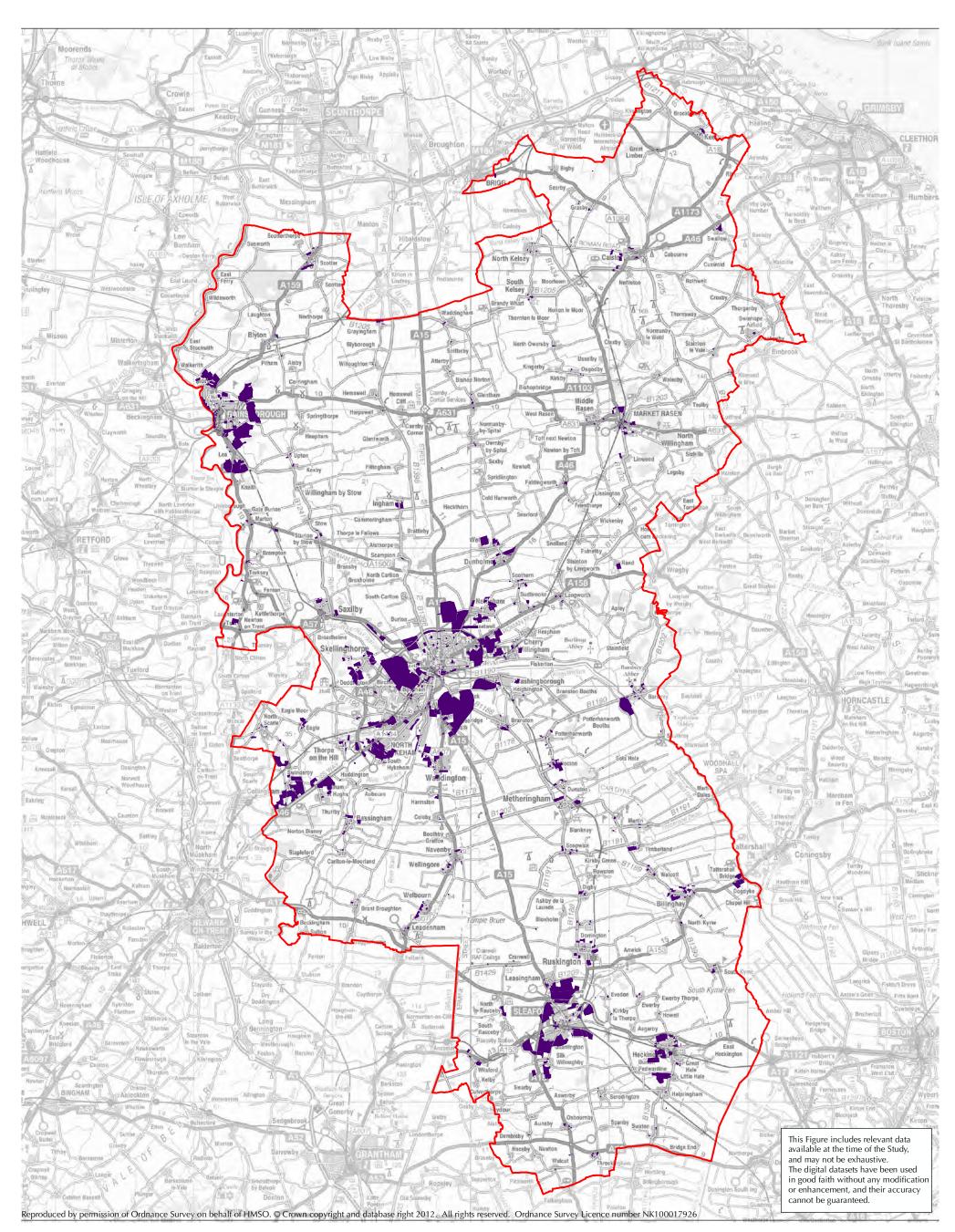






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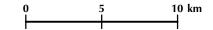




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Sites with potential for residential development





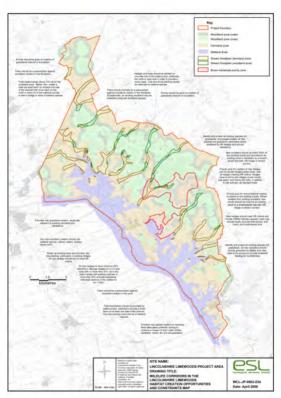
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