

# LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN HEALTH ACT 2007

## The Maidstone Borough (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order 2023

*Made 29 November 2023*

*Coming into force on 1 April 2024*

Maidstone Borough Council (“the Council”), in accordance with section 82 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 (“the 2007 Act”), has undertaken a community governance review and made recommendations dated September 2023.

The Council has decided to give effect to those recommendations and, in accordance with section 93 of the 2007 Act, has consulted with the local government electors and other interested persons and has had regard to the need to secure that community governance reflects the identities and interests of the community and is effective and convenient.

The Council, in accordance with section 100 of the 2007 Act, has had regard to guidance issued under that section.

The Council makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 86 and 240(10) of the 2007 Act.

### **1. Citation and commencement**

- (1) This Order may be cited as the Maidstone Borough (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order 2023.
- (2) This Order shall come into force on 1st April 2024.

### **2. Interpretation**

In this Order—

“Borough” means the borough of Maidstone.

“Map” means the map marked “Maidstone Borough (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order 2023 – (Master) Map” at Schedule 2 and any reference to a number on the map is a reference to the associated sheet which bears that number.

“Registration Officer” means an officer appointed for the purpose of, and in accordance with, section 8 of the Representation of the People Act 1983.

### **3. Effect of Order**

This Order has effect subject to any agreement under section 99 (agreements about incidental matters) of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 relevant to any provision of this Order.

### **4. Alteration of parish areas and the areas of parish wards**

Each area coloured and designated by a letter on the Map and specified in column (1) of Schedule 1 shall cease to be part of the parish and parish ward or unparished area specified in relation to that area

in columns (2) and (3) of the Schedule and shall become part of the parish and parish ward or unparished area specified in relation to that area in columns (4) and (5) of Schedule 1.

**5. Numbers of parish ward councillors of altered parish wards**

The number of parish ward councillors to be elected for each altered parish ward listed in column (5) of the Schedule shall be the number specified in respect of the parish ward in column (6) of Schedule 1.

**6. Number of parish councillors for the parish of Barming**

The number of parish councillors to be elected for the parish of Barming shall be twelve.


**7. Electoral register**

The Registration Officer for the Borough shall make such rearrangement of, or adaptation of, the register of local government electors as may be necessary for the purposes of, and in consequence of, this Order.

**8. Order date**

1st April 2024 is the order date for the purposes of the Local Government (Parishes and Parish Councils) (England) Regulations 2008.

Sealed with the seal of MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of November 2023

  
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Authorised Signatory  
CHAUDETTE VALMOND



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## SCHEDULE 1

### ALTERATION OF AREAS OF PARISHES AND PARISH WARDS

<i>Column (1)</i>	<i>Column (2)</i>	<i>Column (3)</i>	<i>Column (4)</i>	<i>Column (5)</i>	<i>Column (6)</i>
<i>Area identified by Sheet No, Area letter and colour</i>	<i>Parish from which omitted</i>	<i>Parish ward from which omitted</i>	<i>Parish to which added</i>	<i>Parish ward to which added</i>	<i>Parish ward number of Councillors</i>
Sheet 1 Areas "A" (coloured blue)	Unparished	Not applicable	Barming	Not applicable	Not applicable
Sheet 1 Area "AA" (coloured red)	Barming	Not applicable	Unparished	Not applicable	Not applicable
Sheet 2 Area "B" (coloured orange)	Boughton Monchelsea	Langley Park	Langley	Not applicable	Not applicable
Sheet 2 Area "C" (coloured pink)	Loose	Not applicable	Boughton Monchelsea	South	7
Sheet 2 Area "D" (coloured blue)	Boughton Monchelsea	South	Chart Sutton	Not applicable	Not applicable
Sheet 3 Area "E" (coloured red)	Unparished	Not applicable	Boxley	Boxley Grove Green	7
Sheet 3 Area "F" (coloured orange)	Boxley	Boxley Woodlands (Removed)	Unparished	Not applicable	Not applicable
Sheet 3 Area "G" (coloured blue)	Boxley (no change)	Boxley South East (Removed)	Boxley (no change)	Boxley Grove Green	7
Sheet 3 Area "H" (coloured purple)	Boxley	Boxley Grove Green	Thurnham	Thurnham West	6
Sheet 4 Area "I" (coloured pink)	Coxheath	Not applicable	East Farleigh	Not applicable	Not applicable
Sheet 5 Area "J" (coloured red)	Downswood	Not applicable	Unparished	Not applicable	Not applicable
Sheet 6 Area "K" (coloured green)	Unparished	Not applicable	Loose	Not applicable	Not applicable
Sheet 6 Area "L" (coloured orange)	Tovil	Not applicable	Loose	Not applicable	Not applicable
Sheet 6 Area "M" (coloured blue)	Tovil	Not applicable	Unparished	Not applicable	Not applicable
Sheet 7 Area "N" (coloured purple)	Otham	Otham South	Unparished	Not applicable	Not applicable

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order gives effect to recommendations made by Maidstone Borough Council for

- the alteration of the area, and, where applicable wards, of the parishes of Barming, Boughton Monchelsea, Boxley, Chart Sutton, Coxheath, East Farleigh, Downswood, Loose, Otham, Thurnham and Tovil within the borough of Maidstone;
- the removal of the parish wards of Boxley South East and Boxley Woodlands and the alteration of the parish ward of Boxley Grove Green;
- an increase in the number of parish councillors in the parish of Barming from nine (9) to twelve (12);
- an increase in the number of parish ward councillors for Boxley Grove Green from five (5) to seven (7) with the overall number of parish councilors in the Parish of Boxley remaining at fifteen (15).

Article 4 (together with Schedule 1 and the maps at Schedule 2) establish the areas of the altered boundaries and wards of the relevant parishes.

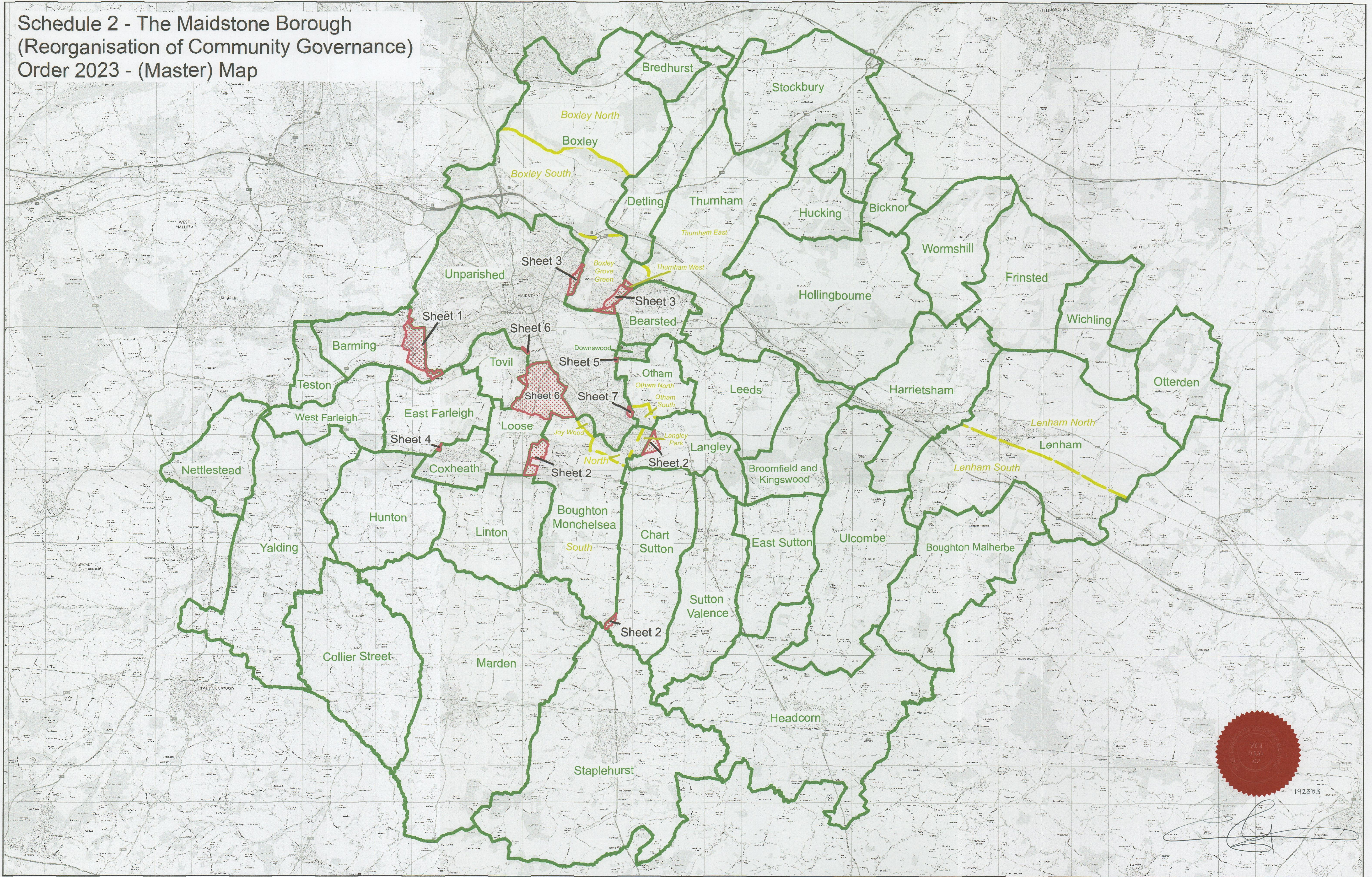
Article 5 (together with Schedule 1) establishes the numbers of parish ward councillors for the altered parish wards.

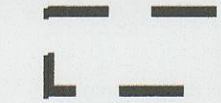
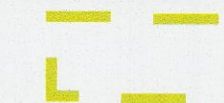
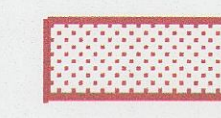
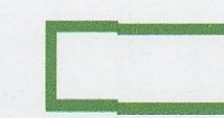
Article 6 establishes the numbers of parish councillors for Barming.

Article 7 obliges the Electoral Registration Officer to make any necessary amendments to the electoral register to reflect the new electoral arrangements. The electoral arrangements apply in respect of parish elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors (per the meaning given by section 37 of the Representation of the People Act 1983) in 2024.

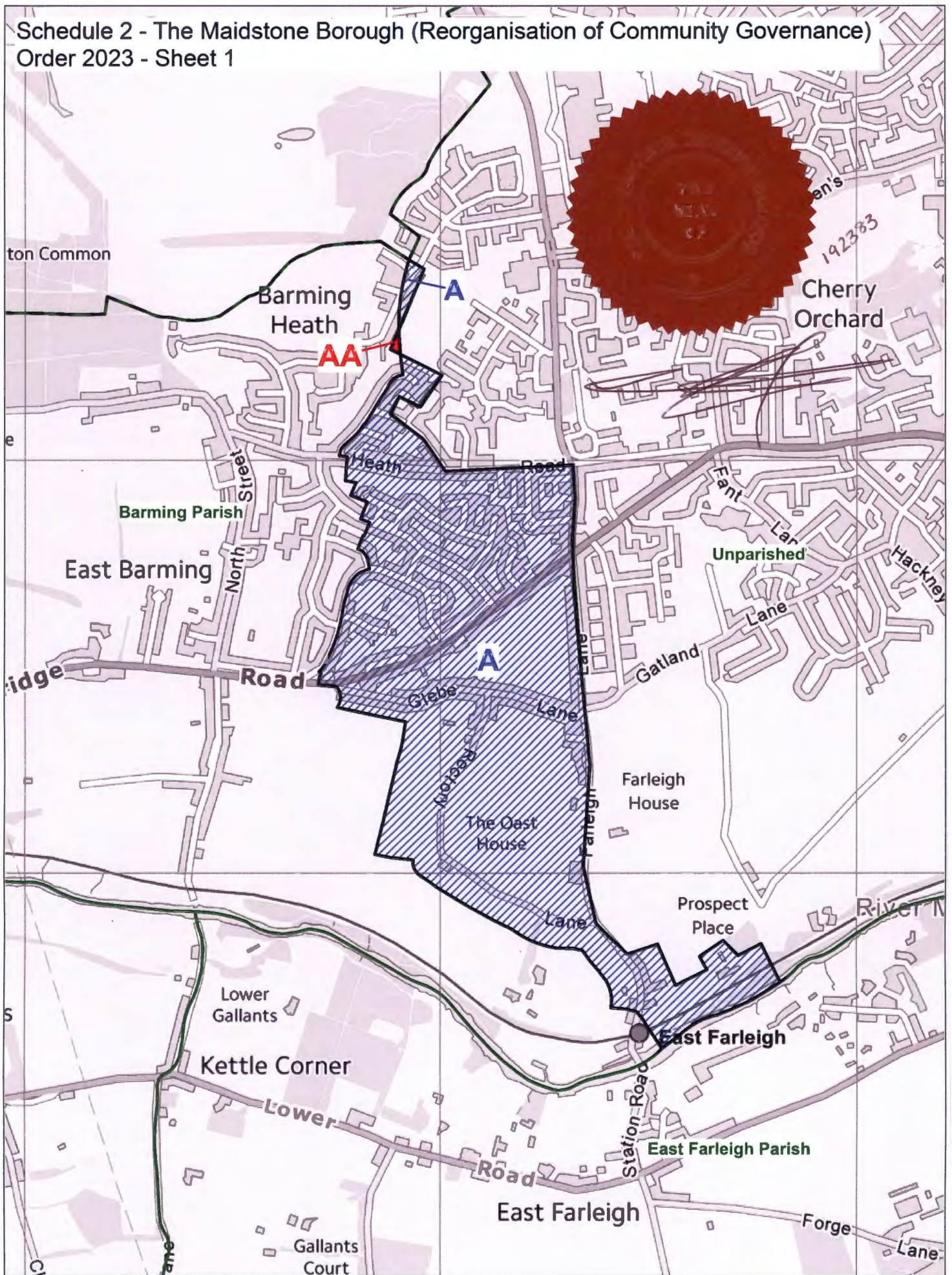
Pursuant to Article 8 the Order will take effect from 1 April 2024.

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 Order 2023 - (Master) Map

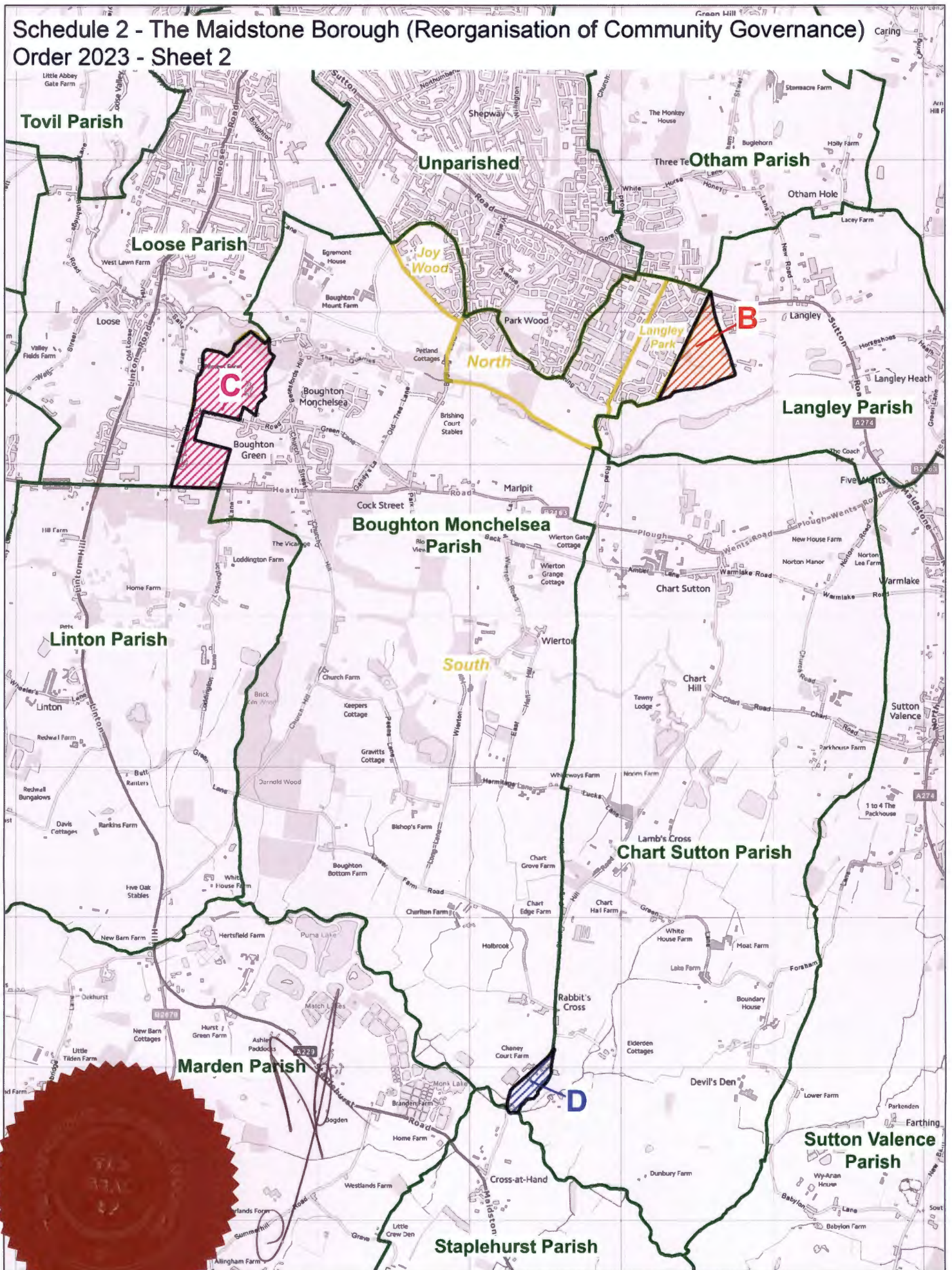


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 Order 2023 - Sheet 1



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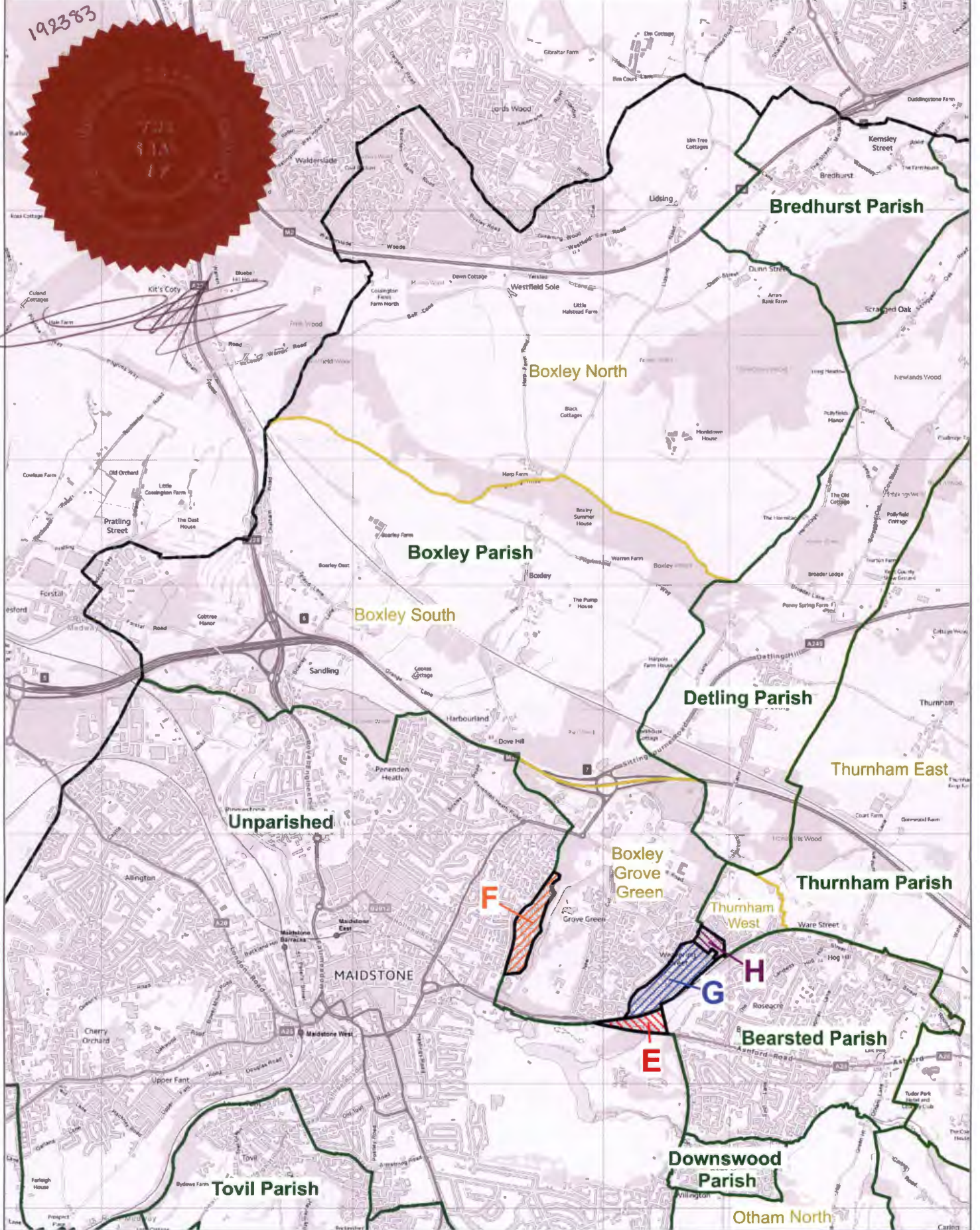
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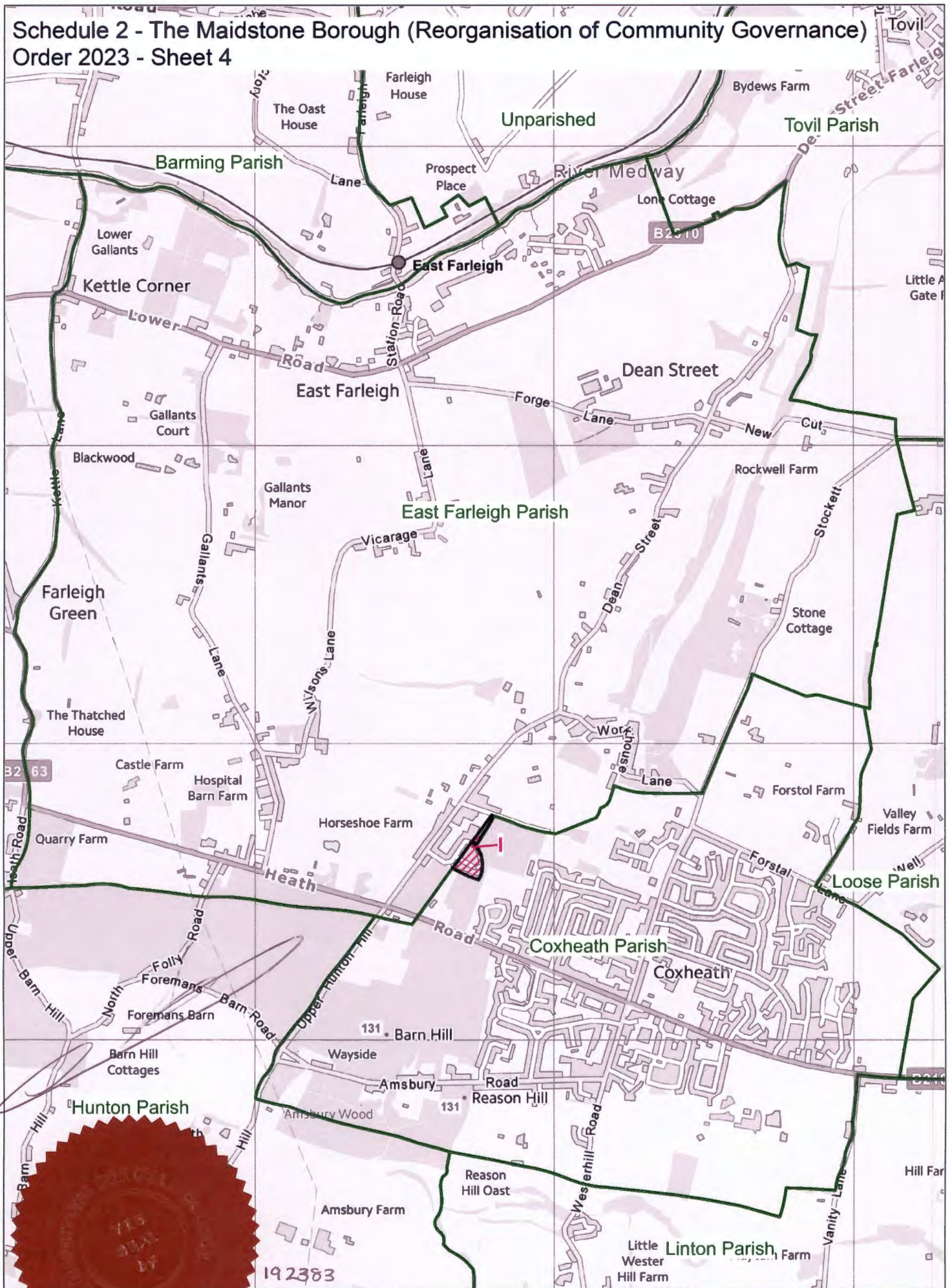


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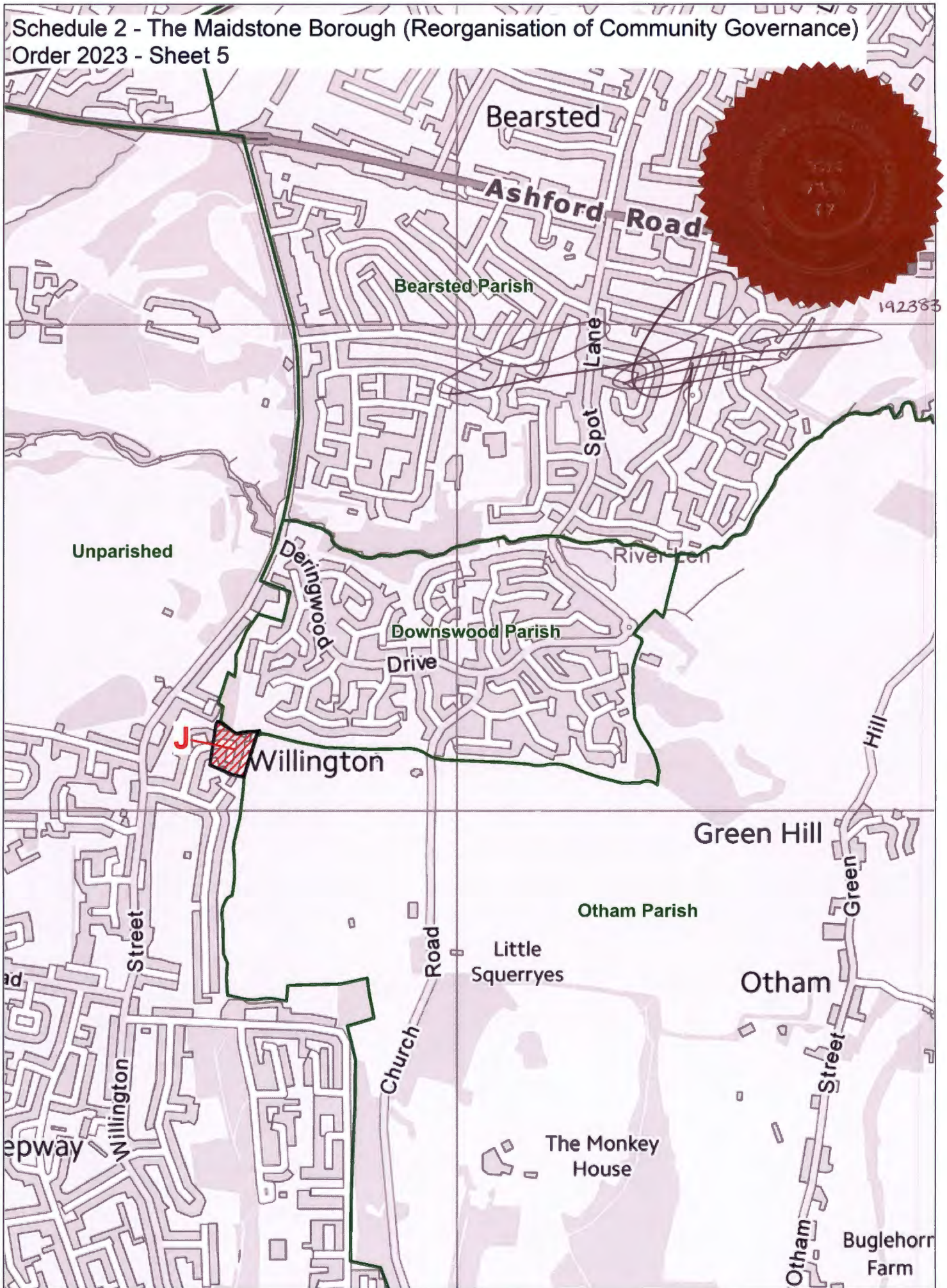


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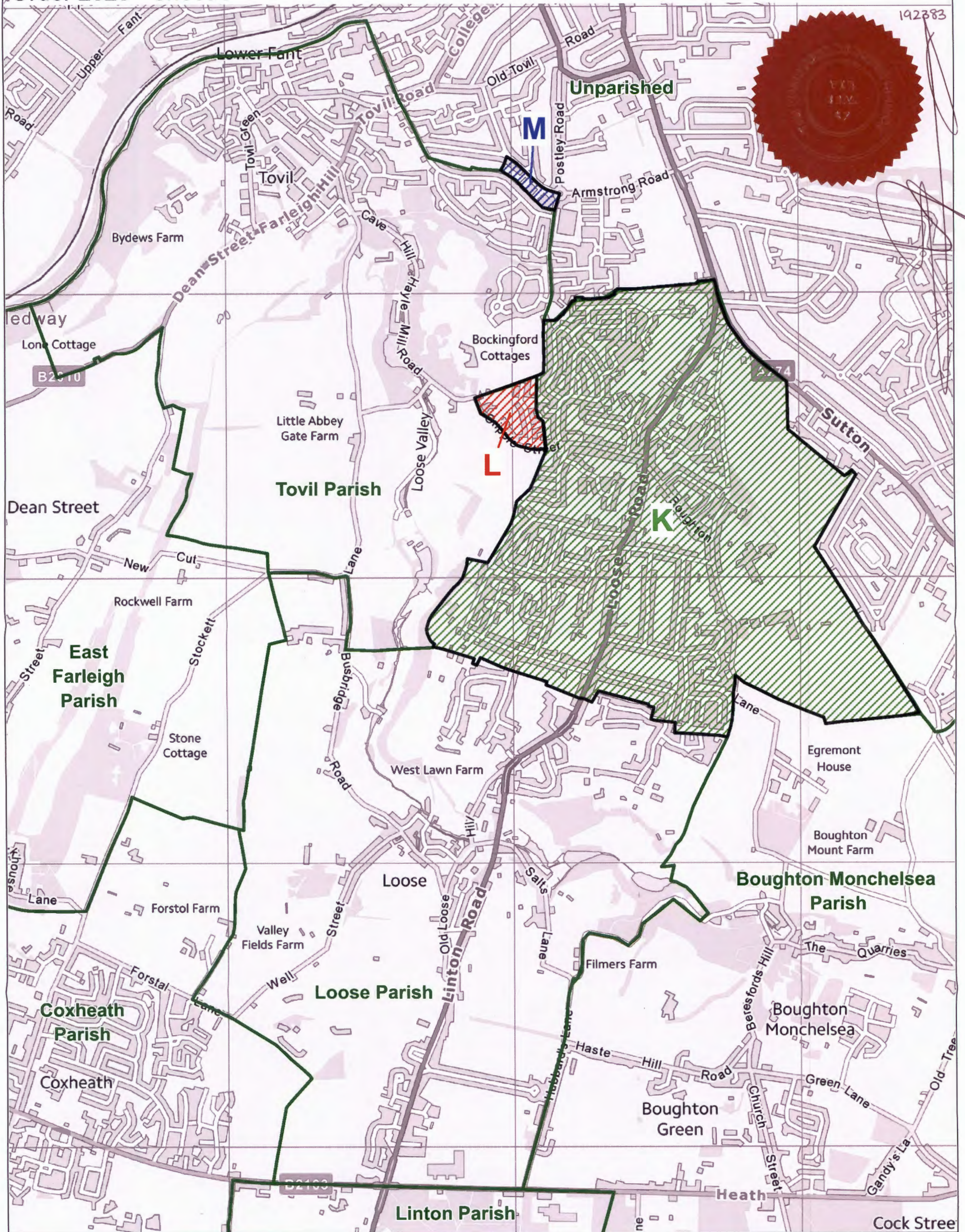


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