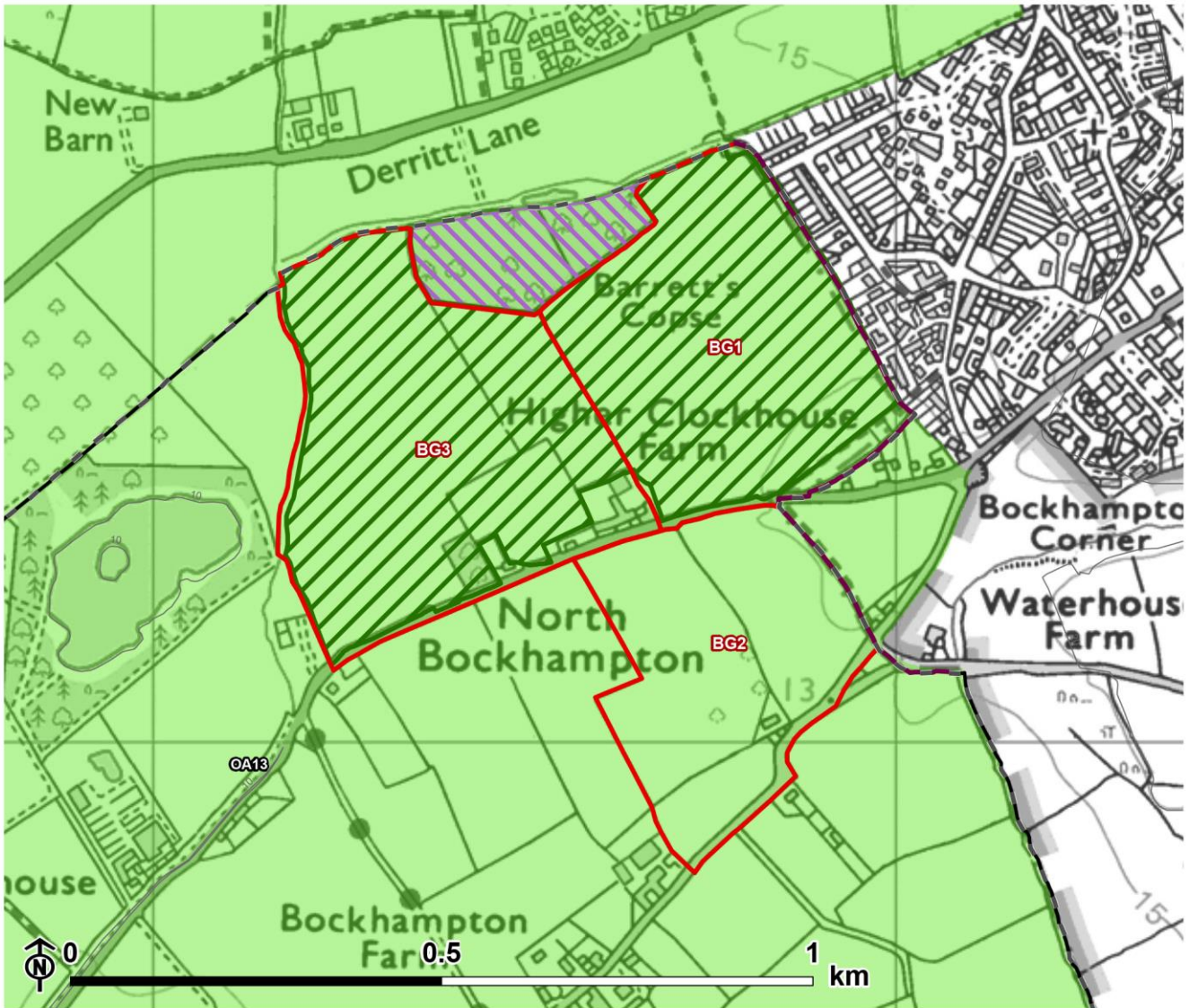
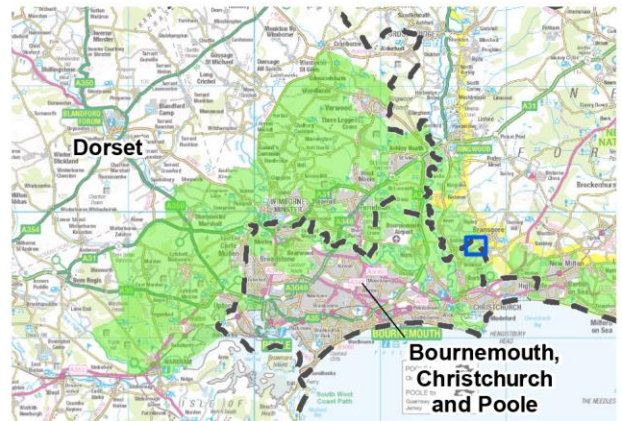


Appendix B
Detailed Stage 2
Harm Assessments:
Bransgore

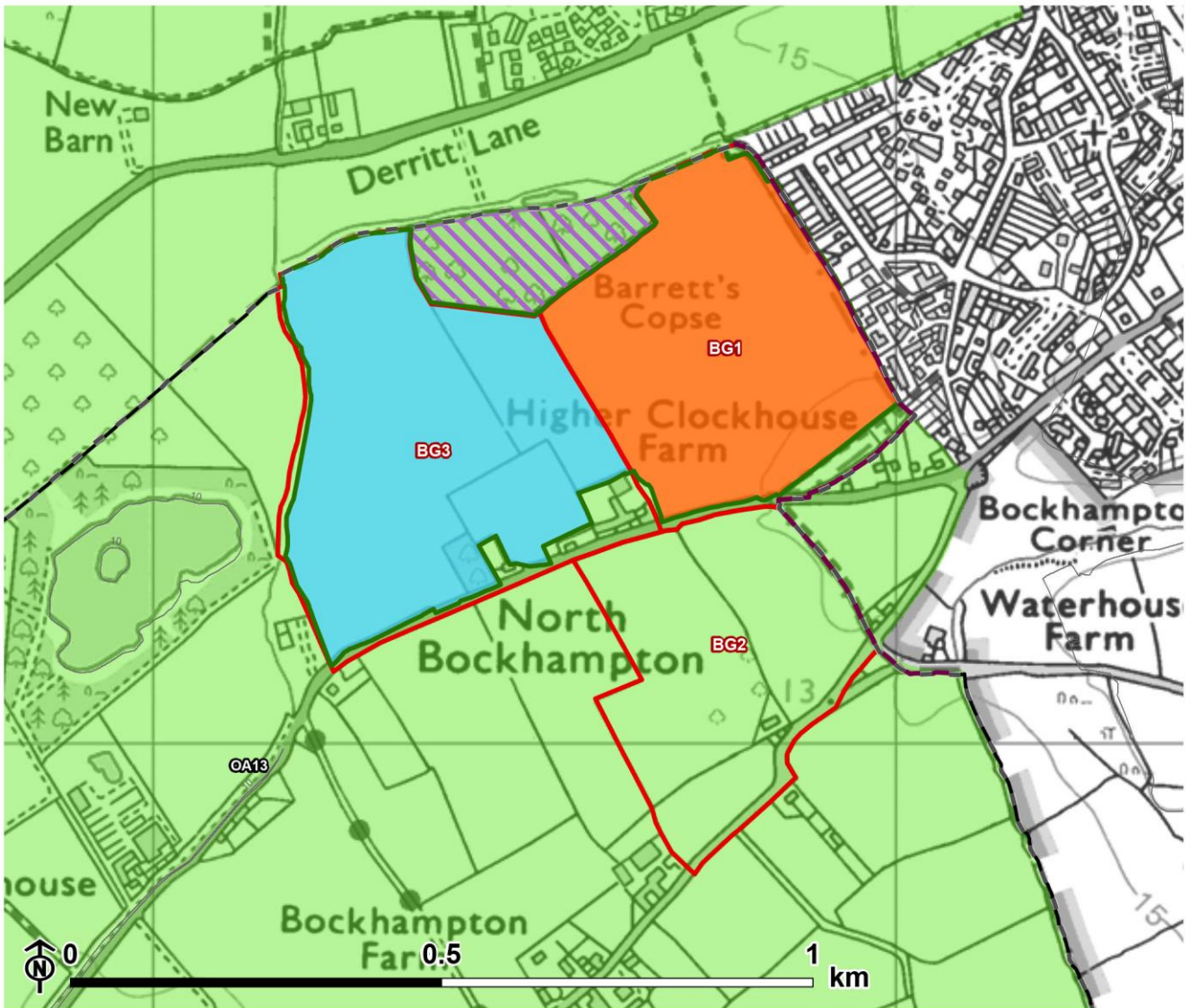
Bransgore



- - - Local Authority boundary
- Inset area
- Green Belt
- ▭ Bransgore parcel
- ▭ Neighbouring parcel
- ▨ Absolute constraint(s)
- ▨ Site / area of search



Bransgore



- - - Local Authority boundary

— Inset area

Green Belt

Bransgore parcel

Neighbouring parcel

Absolute constraint(s)

Site / area of search

Harm rating

Very high

High

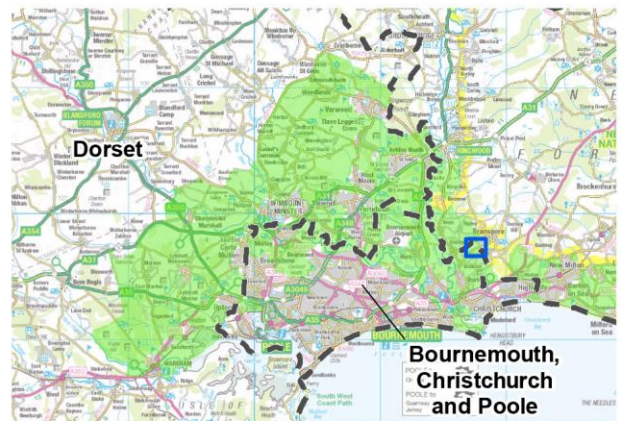
Moderate high

Moderate

Low moderate

Low

Very low



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Components of harm assessment

The analysis of contribution to the Green Belt purposes is, with the exception of land in 'outer areas', taken from the Stage 1 Green Belt Study. It applies to each parcel as a whole, and considers:

- the relevance of each Green Belt purpose, given the parcel's location relative to large built-up areas, towns, countryside and historic towns;
- the extent to which the land can be considered open in Green Belt terms;
- for Purpose 1-3, the degree of distinction between the parcel and urban area(s) - that is, the extent to which land is associated with the urban area or with the wider countryside. A stronger distinction from the urban area increases contribution to these purposes, where relevant.

Land more remote from inset settlements was not subject to detailed parcel analysis at Stage 1. Where areas of search / sites encompass land in these 'outer areas', an analysis of contribution, considering the same components as the Stage 1 parcel assessments, has been carried out as part of the Stage 2 study.

The Stage 2 analysis of the harm of releasing the site / area of search indicated on the maps above considers:

- the loss of that area's contribution to the Green Belt purposes;
- additional harm resulting from the weakening of adjacent Green Belt land.

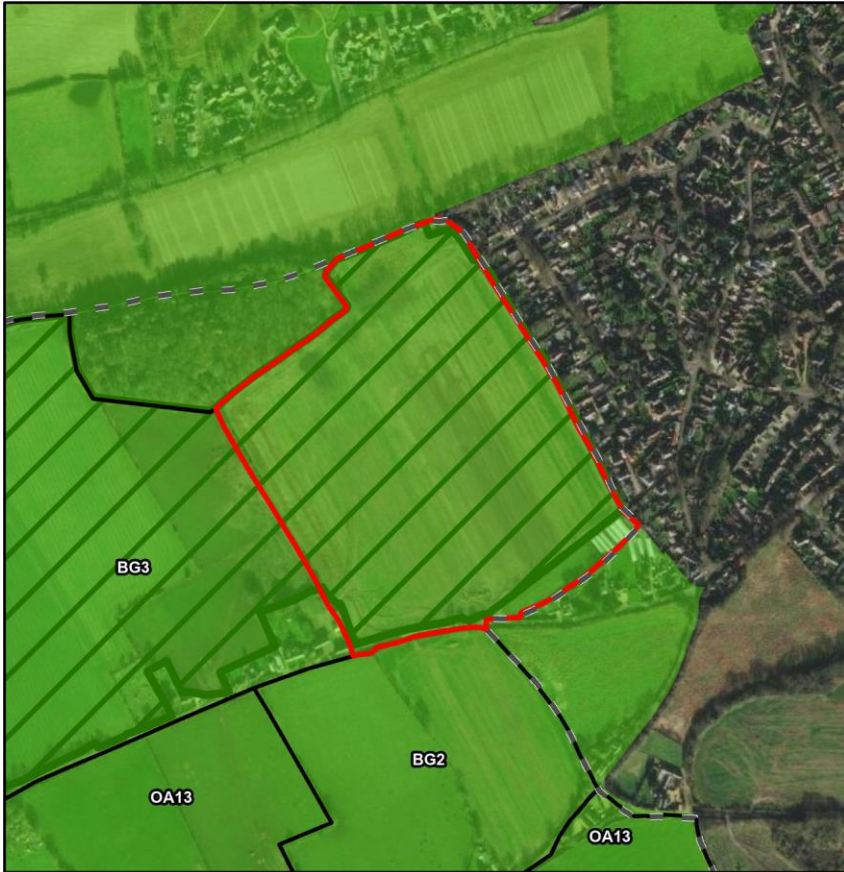
Notes on harm ratings

If the harm rating is stated as being for the release of land as an expansion of an existing inset area, it is assumed that any intervening land to the inset edge will also be released. No assumptions are made regarding what intervening land might be released between the parcel and inset edge. Where a release of land would encompass areas with different harm ratings, the overall harm rating will always equate to the highest component harm rating.

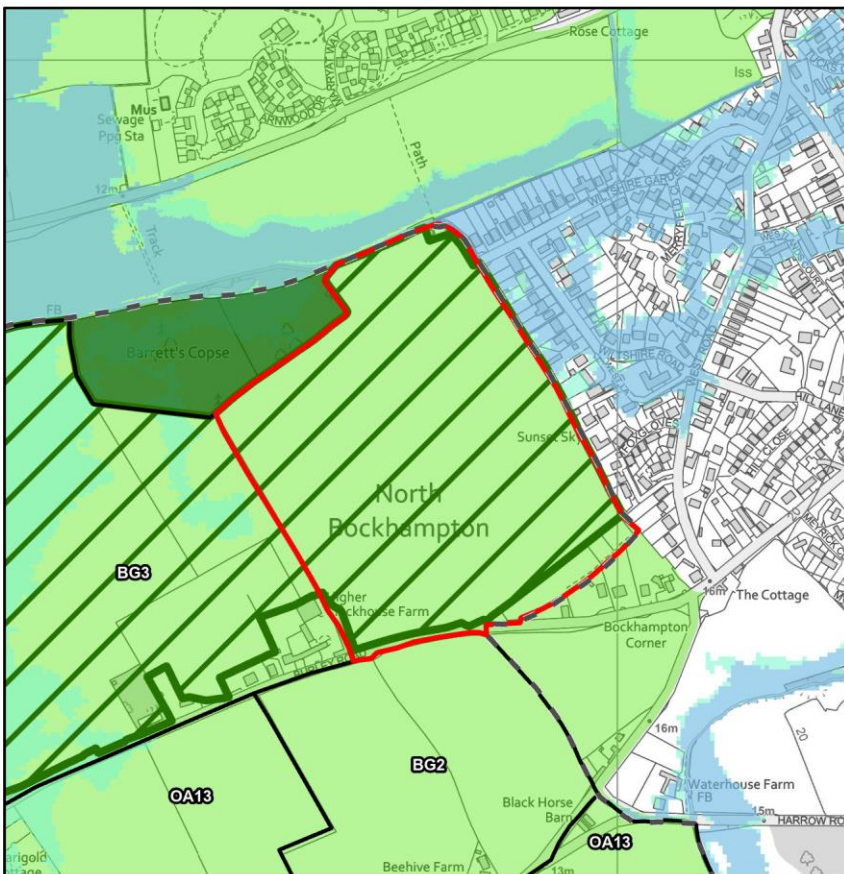
Harm ratings are not given for areas subject to absolute constraints on development, or areas which have been judged to have no openness, in Green Belt terms. These are indicated on the maps for each assessed parcel of land. Absolute constraints include:

- Special Areas of Conservation;
- Special Protection Areas;
- Ramsar sites;
- Sites of Special Scientific Interest;
- Ancient woodland;
- Scheduled Monuments;
- Registered Parks and Gardens; and
- Common land.

Harm of release of land in BG1



- BG1
- Neighbouring parcel
- Green Belt
- Local Authority boundary
- Site / area of search
- Ancient Woodland Inventory
- Flood Zone 2
- Flood Zone 3



BG1

Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 15.14ha

The parcel is located on the western edge of Bransgore. Bransgore does not constitute a large built-up area, a town or a historic town. An area of Ancient Woodland is located on its northern edge.

Land is open, comprising of agricultural land.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

The garden hedgerow boundary to the east of the parcel is only a weak boundary feature, creating little separation from Bransgore. Although the washed-over residential development on Burley Road to the south east have some limited containing impact on the parcel, the parcel is not considered to be contained by urban development. As such, neither the urban area nor the countryside dominates views. Overall there is moderate distinction between the parcel and the urban area.

BG1

Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

- Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
Contribution: Weak/No
Land is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large built-up area.
- Purpose 2 - Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
Contribution: Weak/No
Land does not lie between neighbouring towns.
- Purpose 3 - Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
Contribution: Relatively strong
Land is open countryside. The parcel has some relationship with the inset area, but also a degree of distinction from it. Overall the area makes a relatively strong contribution to safeguarding the countryside from encroachment.
- Purpose 4 - Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns:
Contribution: Weak/No
The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.
- Purpose 5 - Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:
Contribution: Equal
All Green Belt land is considered to make an equal contribution to this purpose.

BG1

Impact on contribution of adjacent Green Belt

- Release of land in BG1 as an expansion of Bransgore:

Rating: Minor

The field boundary to the west of BG1 creates weak separation between BG3 and the urban edge, so release of BG1 would not cause any further weakening to this, but it would increase urbanising visual impact both within BG1 and to the south of Burley Road in BG2. There would be no significant impact on Green Belt land to the north in New Forest District: woodland forms a strong boundary at the western end of the parcel, and the hedgerow to the north is consistent with the existing inset settlement edge further east.

Overall harm of Green Belt release

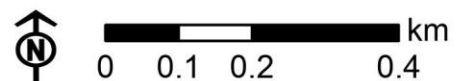
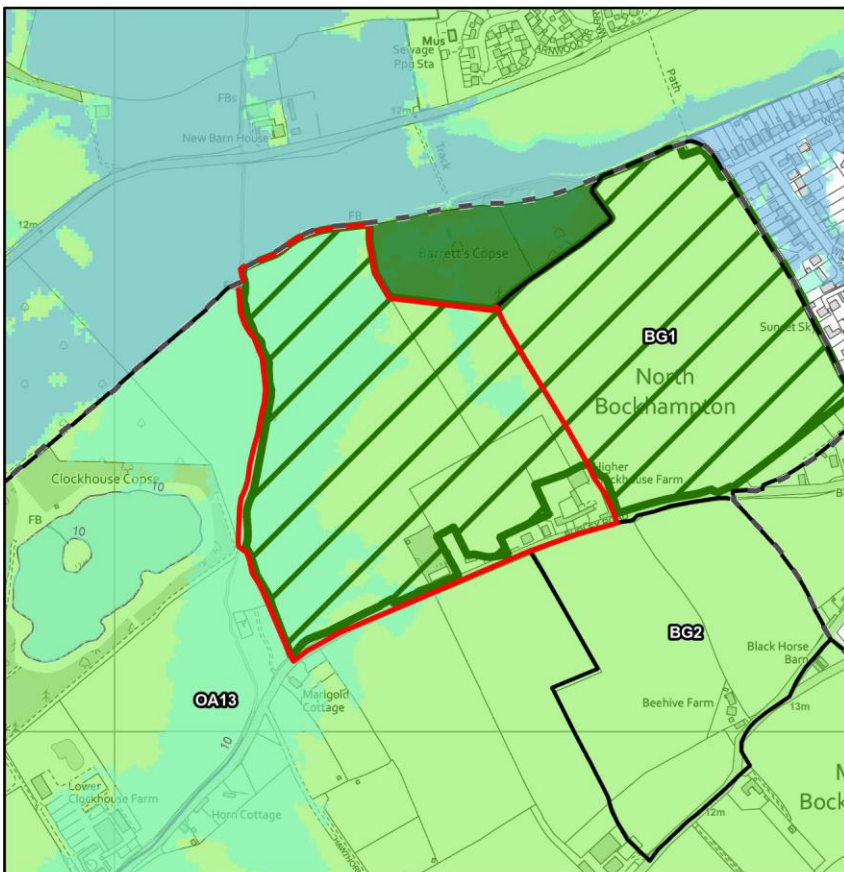
- Parcel BG1 makes a relatively strong contribution to preventing encroachment on the countryside, and the additional impact of its release on the adjacent Green Belt would be minor. Therefore the harm resulting from its release, as an expansion of Bransgore, would be moderate.

Moderate

Harm of release of land in BG3



- BG3
- Neighbouring parcel
- Green Belt
- Local Authority boundary
- Site / area of search
- Ancient Woodland Inventory
- Flood Zone 2
- Flood Zone 3



BG3

Parcel location and openness

Parcel size: 18.47ha

The parcel is located west of Bransgore. Bransgore does not constitute a large built-up area, a town or a historic town. An area of Ancient Woodland is located on its northern edge.

Land is open and is dominated by agricultural land. There are several buildings located in the south of the parcel, however, this development is not large enough in scale to impact openness.

Distinction between parcel and inset area

There is only weak field boundaries to create separation from Bransgore, but the parcel extends a significant distance from the inset area, is not contained by urban development and has little urbanising visual influence. Overall there is strong distinction between the parcel and the urban area.

BG3

Contribution to the Green Belt purposes

- Purpose 1 - Check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:
Contribution: Weak/No
Land is not close enough to the large built-up area to be associated with it. Therefore development would not be perceived as sprawl of the large built-up area.
- Purpose 2 - Prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another:
Contribution: Weak/No
Land does not lie between neighbouring towns.
- Purpose 3 - Assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:
Contribution: Strong
Land is open countryside and there is strong distinction between the parcel and the inset area, which increases the extent to which development would be perceived as encroachment on the countryside. Overall the area makes a strong contribution to safeguarding the countryside from encroachment.
- Purpose 4 - Preserve the setting and special character of historic towns:
Contribution: Weak/No
The parcel does not contribute to the setting or special character of any historic towns.
- Purpose 5 - Assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land:
Contribution: Equal
All Green Belt land is considered to make an equal contribution to this purpose.

BG3

Impact on contribution of adjacent Green Belt

- Release of land in BG3 as an expansion of Bransgore:

Rating: Minor

The field boundaries either side of BG3 help to create separation between the settlement and land in OA13. The release of BG3 would weaken this boundary separation and would increase urbanising visual influence for land to the west in OA13 and across the boundary into New Forest District.

The adjoining land within BG1, BG2 and the remainder of land within BG3 does not make a stronger contribution to any of the Green Belt purposes. The impact on this land would not therefore increase overall harm.

Overall harm of Green Belt release

- Parcel BG3 makes a strong contribution to preventing encroachment on the countryside, and the additional impact of its release on the adjacent Green Belt would be minor. Therefore the harm resulting from its release, as an expansion of Bransgore, would be moderate-high.

Moderate-High