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I summon you to attend the following meeting for the transaction of the business in the agenda below.

Meeting: Full Council
Date & Time: Tuesday, 28 November 2023, 6.30 pm
Venue: Civic Suite, Brocks Hill Council Offices, Washbrook Lane, Oadby, Leicester, LE2 5JJ
Special Title: Extraordinary, Review of Polling Districts, Polling Places and Polling Stations
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1. **Calling to Order of the Meeting**

The meeting of the Council will be called to order to receive Her Worship The Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

2. **Apologies for Absence**

To receive apologies for absence from Members to determine the quorum of the meeting in accordance with Rule 7 of Part 4 of the Constitution.

3. **Declarations of Interest**

Members are reminded that any declaration of interest should be made having regard to the Members' Code of Conduct. In particular, Members must make clear the nature of the interest and whether it is 'pecuniary' or 'non-pecuniary'.

4. **Statutory Review of Polling Districts, Places and Stations (2023)**

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Report of the Legal & Democratic Services Manager / Deputy Monitoring Officer

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Agenda Item 4



**Full Council
(Extraordinary)**

**Tuesday, 28
November 2023**

**Matter for
Information and
Decision**

Report Title: Statutory Review of Polling Districts, Places and Stations (2023)

Report Author(s): Samuel Ball (Legal & Democratic Services Manager / Deputy Monitoring Officer) (Deputy Acting Returning Officer)

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| Purpose of Report: | To advise the Council on the final arrangements being proposed by the (Acting) Returning Officer (the "ARO") for the Harborough, Oadby and Wigston Constituency in respect of the polling districts, polling places and polling stations ("Polling Arrangements") to be used at future elections and referendums that take place within the Borough of Oadby and Wigston. The final comments and proposals take into account the views of all relevant stakeholders that responded to the Review's consultation carried out between 18 October to 15 November 2023. |
| Report Summary: | <p>The (Acting) Returning Officer is proposing changes to the existing polling arrangements in the following polling districts and wards only:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Polling District E (Oadby Uplands) • Polling District F (Oadby Woodlands) • Polling District G (Oadby Brocks Hill) • Polling District N1 (Wigston All Saints) • Polling District N2 (Wigston All Saints) <p>These proposed changes are summarised at section 6.4 of the report.</p> |
| Recommendation(s): | <p>A. The content of the report and appendices be noted;</p> <p>B. The Council approves the revised Polling District, Polling Places and Polling Station arrangements ("the Polling Arrangements") as proposed by the (Acting) Returning Officer (as set out at Appendix 1 to this report); and</p> <p>C. Delegated authority be given to the (Acting) Returning Officer to make alternative Polling Arrangements should any of the approved Polling Places and Polling Stations be untenable at short-notice prior to/on polling day itself.</p> |
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| Strategic Objectives: | Our Council (SO1) Our Communities (SO2) Our Partners (SO5) |
| Vision and Values: | "Our Borough - The Place To Be" (Vision) Customer & Community Focused (V1) |
| Report Implications:- | |
| Legal: | The implications are as set out at section 9 of this report. |
| Financial: | The implications are as set out at section 8 of this report. |
| Corporate Risk Management: | Regulatory Governance (CR6) |
| Equalities and Equalities Assessment (EA): | The legislation governing this Review required feedback and representations to be sought from persons or organisations who are considered to have an expertise in access for persons with different forms of disability. To fulfil this requirement, representations were sought from local organisations including Age UK, Scope and Vista. EA not applicable. |
| Human Rights: | There are no implications arising from this report. |
| Health and Safety: | There are no implications arising from this report. |
| Statutory Officers' Comments:- | |
| Head of Paid Service: | The report is satisfactory. |
| Chief Finance Officer: | The report is satisfactory. |
| Monitoring Officer: | The report is satisfactory. |
| Consultees: | The consultees are as set out at section 5 of this report. |
| Background Papers: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'Guidance on the Review of Polling Districts, Polling Places and Polling Stations' – The Electoral Commission |
| Appendices: | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The (Acting) Returning Officer's Final Comments and Proposals 2. Polling Districts Overview (Map) 3. Polling District A (Map) 4. Polling District B (Map) 5. Polling District C (Map) 6. Polling District D (Map) 7. Polling District E1 (Map) 8. Polling District E2 (Map) 9. Polling District F1 (Map) 10. Polling District F2 (Map) 11. Polling District G1 (Map) 12. Polling District G2 (Map) 13. Polling District H (Map) 14. Polling District I (Map) |

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| | <p>15. Polling District J (Map)</p> <p>16. Polling District K1 (Map)</p> <p>17. Polling District K2 (Map)</p> <p>18. Polling District L (Map)</p> <p>19. Polling District M (Map)</p> <p>20. Polling District N1 (Map)</p> <p>21. Polling District N2 (Map)</p> <p>22. Polling District O (Map)</p> <p>23. Polling District P1 (Map)</p> <p>24. Polling District P2 (Map)</p> <p>25. Polling District Q (Map)</p> <p>26. Polling District R (Map)</p> <p>27. Polling District S (Map)</p> <p>28. Consultation Responses Received</p> |
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1. Introduction

- 1.1 This Review considers the current polling district, polling place and polling station arrangements ("Polling Arrangements") for electors within the Borough of Oadby and Wigston. Specifically, it considers whether the existing Polling Arrangements provide reasonable facilities for voting. This Review cannot consider or make any changes to any Parliamentary constituency, Borough ward and/or County division boundaries.
- 1.2 The (Acting) Returning Officer ("ARO") has taken into account feedback from previous elections, all consultation responses received in relation to, and any other known issues when conducting, this Review. Where appropriate, visits to polling places and polling stations have been made to assess, consider and make comment on their suitability for electors.

2. Background

- 2.1 In accordance with the Representation of the People Act 1983, the Electoral Administration Act 2006 and the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013, Oadby and Wigston Borough Council ("the Council") is required to undertake a full compulsory review of its Polling Arrangements every five years. A Review must begin from 1 October 2023 and must conclude by 31 January 2025. The last full compulsory Review was undertaken 2018.
- 2.2 The Review also acknowledges the wider recommended changes to Parliamentary constituency boundaries as proposed by the Boundary Commission for England ("BCE") setting out a new scheme of Parliamentary constituencies for England. The BCE published their final recommendations in June 2023 and, subject to approval anticipated later next year, will take effect from the next UK Parliamentary (General) Election ("UKPGE").
- 2.3 Whilst the BCE's recommendations do not affect the Parliamentary constituency comprising Oadby and Wigston – in that the Borough's administrative area remains coterminous within the newly proposed Harborough, Oadby and Wigston constituency boundary - a Review during the compulsory review period is prudent and necessary to ensure that the Borough's Polling Arrangements continue to remain fit for purpose in time for the next UKPGE.
- 2.4 The next scheduled election is due to take place on 2 May 2024 for the election of a Police and Crime Commissioner ("PCC") for the Leicestershire Police Area. Any changes to the Polling Arrangements as may be approved will be implemented in time for the PCC election.

3. Terminology

- 3.1 **'Polling District'** - the area created by the partition of a constituency, ward, division or region into smaller parts, within which a polling place can be determined. In Oadby and Wigston, each Borough ward is divided into a number of polling districts which each have an alphabetical code running from 'A' to 'S', based on the ward in which they are located.
- 3.2 **'Polling Place'** - The building or area in which polling stations will be selected by the ARO. A polling place within a polling district must be designated so that polling stations are as far as reasonably practicable, within the constraints of available alternative venues, within easy reach of all electors from across the given polling district.
- 3.3 **'Polling Station'** - The room or area within the polling place where voting takes place.
- 3.4 Note that the terms 'polling place' and 'polling station' are often used interchangeably, with most considering the polling place (e.g. a school) to be the polling station. However, it is possible to have more than one polling station per polling place (i.e. double polling station).

4. Review Guidelines

- 4.1 In accordance with Electoral Commission ("EC") guidance, the following requirements were considered by the ARO when undertaking the Review of the Polling Arrangements:
- All electors should have access to suitable facilities for voting, such facilities as are reasonable and practicable in the circumstances.
 - Every polling place should be physically accessible to electors who are disabled, so far as is reasonable and practicable to do so.
 - Each polling place should be situated within the boundary of the polling district, unless special circumstances do not allow this.
 - Each polling place should be specific enough that it is clear to voters in the polling district how they will be able to reach it.
- 4.2 The most recent EC guidance also recommended that there should be no more than 2,250 electors voting in person at a polling station, unless other suitable mitigations measures are put in place. This is lower than previous EC guidance revised since the introduction of voter ID under the Elections Act 2022, recommending a maximum of 2,500 electors.
- 4.3 The ARO has also considered the following features of a polling station when reviewing their suitability and in relation to existing electoral boundaries:
- **Location** - Is it reasonably accessible within/from the polling district and are there any physical street-scene barriers for voters?
 - **Size** - Can it comfortably accommodate the required number of electors and the commensurate number of polling station staff?
 - **Availability** - Is the building readily available in the event of both scheduled elections and any other unscheduled elections?
 - **Accessibility** - Is the building accessible to those entitled to attend the polling place and can reasonable adjustments be made?

5. Consultation and Engagement

- 5.1 Notice of the Review, which invited written feedback and representations to be made regarding the Polling Arrangements within the Borough, was published on 2 October 2023. The public consultation ran between 18 October and 15 November 2023 (mid-day).
- 5.2 The ARO's Draft Comments and Proposals were received on 13 October 2023 and had to be published within 30 days of receipt. These were published on 18 October 2023.

- 5.3 Wishing to consult as widely as possible on the Review, targeted communications were sent out and feedback sought from the following interested persons or organisations:
- 26 Oadby and Wigston Borough Councillors representing the 10 Borough Wards;
 - 5 Leicestershire County Councillors representing the Borough's 4 County Divisions;
 - Member of Parliament representing the Harborough, Oadby & Wigston Constituency;
 - Local political parties with known contact details within the Constituency; and
 - Local organisations having knowledge of, or special expertise in, access for persons with disabilities known to be operating within Oadby, Wigston and South Wigston.
- 5.4 Electors across Oadby, Wigston and South Wigston were also given the same opportunity to provide their feedback on the Review which was promoted across the Council's various communication channels (including social media, direct e-mailing lists, resident forums).
- 5.5 All feedback and representations received (3) in response to the published Notice of Review and the ARO's Draft Comments and Proposals are set out in full at **Appendix 28**.

6. Final Proposed Changes

- 6.1 The ARO's Final Comments and Proposals, including comments on and revisions in view of the feedback and representations received, are set out in **Appendix 1**. An overview map and individual maps showing the spatial extents of all the proposed Polling Districts (25) are provided at **Appendices 2 to 27**. * These were published on 20 November 2023.

*Note that on the maps, where a polling station(s) is located in a different polling district by reason of special circumstance, reference to that polling station(s) is made on the polling district map in which it is physically located, and not to its corresponding polling district.

- 6.2 The Review has concluded that the existing Polling Arrangements within the Borough are predominantly satisfactory and have been shown at elections administered in recent years to be practicable in the circumstances that prevail within the electoral areas they serve.
- 6.3 The approach throughout this Review has therefore been to only propose necessary changes where a clear conclusion has been reached that the new arrangements will:
- Provide greater administrative expediency by geographically sub-dividing existing polling district boundaries currently coterminous with their ward's boundary;
 - Better serve the affected electors by offering superior polling facilities, accessibility and/or location in comparison with existing arrangements; and/or
 - Reduce inconvenience caused by polling day arrangements for residents without any substantive detrimental effect upon the voting arrangements for affected electors.
- 6.4 A summary of the final proposed changes by the ARO following the Review is as follows:

| Polling District (Ward) | Final Proposed Change(s) |
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| Polling District E (Oadby Uplands) | <p>Geographically splitting Polling District E into:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Polling District E1 - Comprising those streets sharing a junction off and including Uplands Road (as shown at Appendix 7) • Polling District E2 - Comprising those streets sharing a junction off and including Severn Road (as shown at Appendix 8) |

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| | Designating St. Paul's Church, Hamble Road, Oadby, Leicester, LE2 4NX as the polling place for electors in Polling Districts E1 and E2 retaining the double polling station. |
| Polling District F (Oadby Woodlands) | <p>Geographically splitting Polling District F into:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Polling District F1 - Comprising those streets sharing a junction off and including Hunters Way, Beaufort Way, Wright Lane and Hawker Road (as shown at Appendix 9) • Polling District F2 - Comprising those streets sharing a junction off and including Florence Wragg Way (as shown at Appendix 10) |
| Polling District G (Oadby Brocks Hill) | <p>Geographically splitting Polling District G into:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Polling District G1 - Comprising of those streets located west of and including Briar Walk and Briar Meads and sharing a junction off and including Ash Tree Road up to and including numbers 33 and 54 (as shown at Appendix 11) • Polling District G2 - Comprising all those remaining streets located south-west of Glen Road (A6) (as shown at Appendix 12) <p>Designating Brocks Hill Primary School, Howdon Road, Oadby, Leicester, LE2 5WP as the polling place and polling station for electors residing in Polling District G1, replacing the polling place and polling station at Parklands Leisure Centre (Function Suite), Washbrook Lane, Oadby, Leicester, LE2 5QG.</p> |
| Polling District N1 (Wigston All Saints) Polling District N2 (Wigston All Saints) | Designating All Saints Church of England Primary School, Long Street, Wigston, Leicestershire, LE18 2AH as the new polling place and polling station for electors residing in Polling Districts N1 and N2, replacing the polling place and polling station at The Elms Social and Service Club, Bushloe End, Wigston, Leicestershire, LE18 2BA. |

7. Implementation

- 7.1 The Polling Arrangements that may be approved by Council must be implemented upon the publication of the revised Register of Electors on 1 December 2023, and will apply to all scheduled and non-scheduled elections and referendums occurring on/after this date.
- 7.2 If any of the approved Polling Arrangements become untenable immediately prior to/on polling day itself, alternative arrangements must be made by the Council in accordance with its decision-making arrangements. As it is a function of the Council to make decisions concerning polling arrangements under the Council's Constitution, it is prudent for Council to delegate authority to the ARO to be able to act decisively in such exceptional circumstances.

8. Financial Implications

- 8.1 The Council is only responsible for the costs of administering and delivering Borough Council elections, including local by-elections that elect the Borough's own Councillors (when held). At all other elections, all 'actual and necessary' costs are claimed and recovered by the ARO from the relevant governing body of that particular election (e.g. the UK government for a UK parliamentary general elections, Leicestershire County Council for a County Council election).

9. Legal Implications

- 9.1 In carrying out any review of the Polling Arrangements, the Council must comply with the steps set out in Schedule A1 of the Representation of the People Act 1983 ("the 1983 Act").
- 9.2 By approving the outcomes of this Review, the Council will be complying with its statutory duty to keep under review its Polling Arrangements as designated under sections 18A-18E of the 1983 Act (as amended).
- 9.3 Rule 20(1)(a) of the Local Elections (Principal Areas) (England and Wales) Rules 2006 provides that the Returning Officer may use, free of charge, for the purpose of taking the poll, any room in a school maintained or assisted by the local authority, or in a school in respect of which grants are made out of monies provided by parliament to the person or body responsible for the management of the school.
- 9.4 Following the conclusion of this Review, certain persons have a right to make representations to the Electoral Commission.
- 9.5 There are only two grounds on which a representation may be made, namely:
- 9.5.1 The Council has failed to meet the reasonable requirements of electors in the constituency; and/or
 - 9.5.2 The Council has failed to take sufficient account of accessibility to disabled persons of the polling station(s) within a polling place.

Representations based on any other premise will not be considered.

- 9.6 Provision is contained within section 18E of the Act to state that no election is to be questioned by reason of any informality relative to the Polling Arrangements.



Oadby & Wigston
BOROUGH COUNCIL

Polling Districts, Polling Places and Polling Stations Review (2023)

The (Acting) Returning Officer's Final Comments and Proposals

Dated: 20 November 2023

Anne Court
(Acting) Returning Officer

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Introduction

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The (Acting) Returning Officer ("ARO") has taken into account feedback from previous elections and any other known issues when conducting this Review. Where appropriate, visits to polling places and polling stations have been made to consider and make comment on their suitability for electors. This document summarises the existing Polling Arrangements and provides the ARO's draft comments and proposals going forward.

Background

In accordance with the Representation of the People Act 1983, the Electoral Administration Act 2006 and the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (as amended), Oadby and Wigston Borough Council ("the Council") is required to undertake a full compulsory review of its Polling Arrangements every five years ("a Review"). A Review must begin from 1 October 2023 and must conclude by 31 January 2025.

The Review also acknowledges the wider recommended changes to Parliamentary constituency boundaries as proposed by the Boundary Commission for England ("BCE") setting out a new scheme of Parliamentary constituencies for England. The BCE published their final recommendations in June 2023 and, subject to approval, will take effect from the next UK Parliamentary (General) Election ("UKPGE"). Whilst the BCE's recommendations do not affect the Parliamentary constituency comprising Oadby and Wigston – in that the Borough's administrative area remains coterminous within the newly proposed Harborough, Oadby and Wigston constituency boundary - a review during the compulsory review period is prudent and necessary to ensure that Polling Arrangements remain fit for purpose for the next UKPGE.

The next scheduled election is due to take place on 2 May 2024 for the election of a Police and Crime Commissioner ("PCC") for the Leicestershire Police Area. Any changes to the existing Polling Arrangements as may be approved will be implemented in time for the PCC election.

Definitions

A '**polling district**' is a geographical area created by the sub-division of a UK Parliamentary constituency and coterminous within a corresponding Borough ward's boundary. It is a purely administrative area which has no material impact on the voting experience of electors.

A '**polling place**' is the general building or area in which polling stations are designated by the ARO. So far as reasonably practicable, a polling place within a polling district must be designated so that polling stations are within easy reach of all electors from across that polling district.



A '**polling station**' is the physical room or area within the polling place where voting takes place. Unlike polling districts and polling places, which are fixed by the Council, polling stations are designated by the relevant Returning Officer(s) ("RO") for use at any given election.

Guidelines

The following guideline requirements must be considered by the ARO when undertaking a review of the existing Polling Arrangements:

- All electors should have access to suitable facilities for voting, such facilities as are reasonable and practicable in the circumstances.
- Every polling place should be physically accessible to electors who are disabled, so far as is reasonable and practicable to do so.
- Each polling place should be situated within the boundary of the polling district, unless special circumstances do not allow this.
- Each polling place should be specific enough that it is clear to voters in the polling district how they will be able to reach it.

The most recent Electoral Commission ("EC") guidance also recommends that there should be no more than 2,250 electors voting in person at a polling station, unless other suitable mitigations measures are put in place (e.g. an increase in polling station staff). This is lower than previous EC guidance revised since the introduction of voter ID under the Elections Act 2022, recommending a maximum of 2,500 electors.

The ARO should consider the following features of a polling station when reviewing its suitability and in relation to existing electoral boundaries:

- **Location** - Is it reasonably accessible within/from the polling district and are there any physical street-scene barriers for voters?
- **Size** - Can it comfortably accommodate the required number of electors and the commensurate number of polling station staff?
- **Availability** - Is the building readily available in the event of both scheduled elections and any other unscheduled elections?
- **Accessibility** - Is the building accessible to those entitled to attend the polling place and can reasonable adjustments be made?



Harborough, Oadby and Wigston Constituency

Oadby St. Peter's

Existing Arrangements

| Polling District | Polling Place | Polling Station | Electorate | Polling Station Electorate | Accessibility Concerns? | Other Concerns? |
|------------------|--|-----------------------------|------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| A | Harborough Road, Oadby, Leicester, LE2 4LA | Trinity Methodist Church | 1,827 | <u>1,391</u> | None | None |
| B | Rosemead Drive, Oadby, Leicester, LE2 5SF | United Reformed Church Hall | 1,523 | <u>1,246</u> | None | None |

(Acting) Returning Officer's Draft Comments & Proposals

Polling District A: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Polling District B: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Consultation Responses (0)

Polling District A: None received.

Polling District B: None received.

(Acting) Returning Officer's Final Comments & Proposals

Polling District A: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.



Polling District B: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

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Harborough, Oadby and Wigston Constituency

Oadby Grange

Existing Arrangements

| Polling District | Polling Place | Polling Station | Electorate | Polling Station Electorate | Accessibility Concerns? | Other Concerns? |
|------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| C | New Street, Oadby, Leicester, LE2 4LJ | Immaculate Conception Church Hall | 1,896 | <u>1,476</u> | None | None |
| D | Manor Road, Oadby, Leicester, LE2 2LG | John Foster Hall, Facilities Building | 1,857 | <u>1,341</u> | None | None |

(Acting) Returning Officer's Draft Comments & Proposals

Polling District C: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Polling District D: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Consultation Responses (0)

Polling District C: None received.

Polling District D: None received.

(Acting) Returning Officer's Final Comments & Proposals

Polling District C: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.



Polling District D: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

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Harborough, Oadby and Wigston Constituency

Oadby Uplands

Existing Arrangements

| Polling District | Polling Place | Polling Station | Electorate | Polling Station Electorate | Accessibility Concerns? | Other Concerns? |
|------------------|--|--------------------------------------|------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| E | St. Pauls Close, Oadby, Leicester, LE2 4LZ | The Barnabas Centre (Double Station) | 3,304 | <u>2,591</u> | None | Yes |

(Acting) Returning Officer's Draft Comments & Proposals

Polling District E: The polling district's boundary is currently coterminous with the ward's boundary (i.e. there are no sub-divisions). The ARO recognises that with the designation of a single polling station, the number of voters would exceed the Electoral Commission's recommended threshold. This has been historically managed through the designation of a second polling station within the polling place through an informal split of the Register of Electors alphabetically by street name.

The ARO proposes more formal polling arrangements be implemented, by geographically splitting Polling District E into:

- Polling District E1 Comprising those streets sharing a junction off and including Uplands Road; and
- Polling District E2 Comprising those streets sharing a junction off and including Severn Road.

The spatial extents of proposed Polling Districts E1 and E2 are shown edged and shaded grey on their respective maps.

The review and feedback has also identified significant concerns regarding the continued use of the existing polling place impacting on voters' experience. These have arisen from an increase in the presence of party political campaigners over successive election cycles, often congregating in large numbers within and along the enclosed precincts of the existing polling place's car park, with access/egress narrowing further when the car park is at, or close to, its full capacity. These issues have also been compounded by a history of increasingly poor, cross-party compliance by candidates, their agents, tellers and campaigners with relevant Code of Conduct requirements and directions issued by the ARO and DARO's on polling day to reduce campaigner numbers and ensure they position themselves outside the precincts of the polling place.

At the most recent local elections in May 2023, the ARO witnessed an unprecedented escalation of such concerns and



behaviour, resulting in a high number of complaints being received by the ARO from electors who felt intimidated, whose access to the polling place was unduly impeded. The ARO and Deputy (Acting) Returning Officers ("DARO") were required to attend the polling place on multiple occasions to advise, warn and direct campaigners, with the support of Leicestershire Police at the DARO's request, given the persistent negativity, resistance, and disruption being caused.

To address these issues, the ARO proposes to designate the adjacent St. Paul's Church on Hamble Road, Oadby, Leicester, LE2 4NX as the polling place for electors residing in Polling Districts E1 and E2 retaining the double polling station arrangement. The ARO's proposal seeks to strike a fair and reasonable balance between better safeguarding voters from intimidating behaviour and access/egress difficulties by reducing the likelihood of future concentrations of campaigners within and along the narrow enclosed precincts of the existing polling place's car park, whilst avoiding an unreasonable level of voter disruption by proposing a new polling place altogether elsewhere or outside the district(s).

By reason of special circumstance, this designation situates the polling place and respective polling station just outside the proposed Polling District E1 given that there are no other suitable venues located within the said Polling District. However, the impact to voters is considered negligible as it presents a comparable continuation of the status quo.

Consultation Responses (0)

Polling District E: None received.

(Acting) Returning Officer's Final Comments & Proposals

Polling District E: The ARO proposes geographically splitting Polling District E into:

- Polling District E1 Comprising those streets sharing a junction off and including Uplands Road; and
- Polling District E2 Comprising those streets sharing a junction off and including Severn Road.

The spatial extents of proposed Polling Districts E1 and E2 are shown edged and shaded grey on their respective maps.

The ARO proposes to designate St. Paul's Church on Hamble Road, Oadby, Leicester, LE2 4NX as the polling place for electors residing in Polling Districts E1 and E2 retaining the double polling station arrangement.

An alternative polling place and respective polling station for the proposed Polling District E2 at Brookside Primary School on Copse Close, Oadby, Leicester, LE2 4FU was explored. However, a visit to the school confirmed there were



inadequate facilities for voting, requiring electors and polling staff to take unreasonable and lengthy diversions in/around the building to achieve suitable access/egress which, to otherwise mitigate, would necessitate a full school closure. On balance, such a closure would not be desirable given the significance of the school's specialist educational needs unit.

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Harborough, Oadby and Wigston Constituency

Oadby Woodlands

Existing Arrangements

| Polling District | Polling Place | Polling Station | Electorate | Polling Station Electorate | Accessibility Concerns? | Other Concerns? |
|------------------|---|---|------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| F | Beaufort Way, Oadby, Leicester, LE2 4TY | Woodland Grange Primary School (Double Station) | 3,357 | <u>2,600</u> | None | None |

(Acting) Returning Officer's Draft Comments & Proposals

Polling District F: The polling district's boundary is currently coterminous with the ward's boundary (i.e. there are no sub-divisions). The ARO recognises that with the designation of a single polling station, the number of voters would exceed the Electoral Commission's recommended threshold. This has been historically managed through the designation of a second polling station within the polling place through an informal split of the Register of Electors alphabetically by street name.

The ARO proposes more formal polling arrangements be implemented, by geographically splitting Polling District F into:

- Polling District F1 Comprising those streets sharing a junction off and including Hunters Way, Beaufort Way, Wright Lane and Hawker Road; and
- Polling District F2 Comprising those streets sharing a junction off and including Florence Wragg Way.

The spatial extents of proposed Polling Districts F1 and F2 are shown edged and shaded grey on their respective maps.

The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and double polling station arrangement for electors in Polling Districts F1 and F2, as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

By reason of special circumstance, this designation situates the polling place and polling station just outside Polling District F2 given that there are no other suitable venues located within the said Polling District. However, the impact, if any, to voters is considered negligible as it is a continuation of the status quo.



Consultation Responses (0)

Polling District F: None received.

(Acting) Returning Officer's Final Comments & Proposals

Polling District F: The ARO proposes geographically splitting Polling District F into:

- Polling District F1 Comprising those streets sharing a junction off and including Hunters Way, Beaufort Way, Wright Lane and Hawker Road; and
- Polling District F2 Comprising those streets sharing a junction off and including Florence Wragg Way.

The spatial extents of proposed Polling Districts F1 and F2 are shown edged and shaded grey on their respective maps.

The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and double polling station arrangement for electors in Polling Districts F1 and F2 as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.



Harborough, Oadby and Wigston Constituency

Oadby Brocks Hill

Existing Arrangements

| Polling District | Polling Place(s) | Polling Station(s) | Electorate | Polling Station Electorate | Accessibility Concerns? | Other Concerns? |
|------------------|---|---|------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| G | Coombe Rise, Oadby, Leicester, LE2 5TW Washbrook Lane, Oadby, Leicester, LE2 5QG | Coombe Park Pavilion Parklands Leisure Centre (Function Suite) | 3,250 | <u>2,358</u> | None | Yes |

(Acting) Returning Officer's Draft Comments & Proposals

Polling District G: The polling district's boundary is currently coterminous with the ward's boundary (i.e. there are no sub-divisions). The ARO recognises that with the designation of a single polling station, the number of voters would exceed the Electoral Commission's recommended threshold. This has been temporarily managed through the designation of a second polling place and polling station at Parklands Leisure Centre, through an informal split of the Register of Electors comprising of those streets located west of and including Briar Walk and Briar Meads, with a smaller polling station electorate of 1,069.

The ARO proposes more formal polling arrangements be implemented and which achieve a more equal distribution of electors between the two proposed designated polling places, by geographically splitting Polling District G into:

- Polling District G1 Comprising of those streets located west of and including Briar Walk and Briar Meads and sharing a junction off and including Ash Tree Road up to and including numbers 33 and 54;
- Polling District G2 Comprising all those remaining streets located south-west of Glen Road (A6).

The spatial extents of proposed Polling Districts G1 and G2 are shown edged and shaded grey on their respective maps.

The review and feedback has also provided an opportunity to reconsider residual concerns regarding the continued use of Parklands Leisure Centre as a polling place and polling station due its relative remoteness and elector walking



distances involved. To address these concerns, the ARO proposes to retain the existing polling arrangements for electors residing in Polling District G2, and designate Brocks Hill Primary School on Howdon Road, Oadby, Leicester, LE2 5WP as the polling place and polling station for electors residing in Polling District G1.

By reason of special circumstance, this designation situates the polling place and polling station just outside Polling District G1 given that there are no other suitable venues located within the said Polling District. A visit to the school has confirmed that there are reasonable facilities for voting.

Consultation Responses (2)

Polling District G: The responses welcomed the proposal in designating Brocks Hill Primary School in lieu of Parklands Leisure Centre as the proposed polling place and polling station in Polling District G1. The responses suggested that Devonshire Court on Howdon Road, Oadby, Leicester, LE2 5WQ be explored as alternative venue to avoid the possibility of a school closure.

(Acting) Returning Officer's Final Comments & Proposals

Polling District G: The ARO proposes geographically splitting Polling District G into:

- Polling District G1 Comprising of those streets located west of and including Briar Walk and Briar Meads and sharing a junction off and including Ash Tree Road up to and including numbers 33 and 54;
- Polling District G2 Comprising all those remaining streets located south-west of Glen Road (A6).

The spatial extents of proposed Polling Districts G1 and G2 are shown edged and shaded grey on their respective maps.

The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station arrangement for electors in in Polling District G2 as the review and feedback indicates that this provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Acting on consultees' suggestions, multiple attempts both by e-mail and telephone to contact and arrange a visit with the Home Manager at Devonshire Court were made. At the time of publishing, no response has been received back. The ARO has therefore been unable to confirm whether reasonable facilities for voting exist and, as the building is operated by a privately funded enterprise, the ARO cannot requisition the use of the venue for polling purposes by law.

The ARO therefore proposes to designate Brocks Hill Primary School on Howdon Road, Oadby, Leicester, LE2 5WP as the polling place and polling station for electors residing in Polling District G1.



A visit to the school did identify the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) classroom, a self-contained area with direct access/egress for electors and polling staff, as the most appropriate room for polling purposes. Whilst it is recognised that use of this room would necessitate EYFS pupils to be decanted to another part of the building or, if this is not possible, a partial closure of the school for EYFS pupils only on polling day, a discussion with the school's Premises Manager, following consultation with the Head Teacher, has indicated that such arrangements are manageable in the circumstances.

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Harborough, Oadby and Wigston Constituency

Wigston St. Wolstan's

Existing Arrangements

| Polling District | Polling Place | Polling Station | Electorate | Polling Station Electorate | Accessibility Concerns? | Other Concerns? |
|------------------|--|---|------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| H | 242A Leicester Road, Wigston, Leicestershire, LE18 1HQ | Freer Community Centre (Double Station) | 1,757 | <u>1,402</u> | None | None |
| I | Estoril Avenue, Wigston, Leicestershire, LE18 3RD | Glenmere Community Primary School | 1,721 | <u>1,399</u> | None | None |
| J | 242A Leicester Road, Wigston, Leicestershire, LE18 1HQ | Freer Community Centre (Double Station) | 1,539 | <u>1,225</u> | None | None |

(Acting) Returning Officer's Draft Comments & Proposals

Polling District H: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Polling District I: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Polling District J: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Consultation Responses (0)

Polling District H: None received.



Polling District I: None received.

Polling District J: None received.

(Acting) Returning Officer's Final Comments & Proposals

Polling District H: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Polling District I: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Polling District J: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.



Harborough, Oadby and Wigston Constituency

Wigston Meadowcourt

Existing Arrangements

| Polling District | Polling Place | Polling Station | Electorate | Polling Station Electorate | Accessibility Concerns? | Other Concerns? |
|------------------|---|--|------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| K1 | Meadow Way, Wigston, Leicestershire, LE18 3QZ | Meadow Community Primary School | 2,201 | <u>1,717</u> | None | None |
| K2 | Meadow Way, Wigston, Leicestershire, LE18 3QZ | Meadow Community Primary School | 534 | <u>456</u> | None | None |
| L | Welford Road, Wigston, Leicestershire, LE18 3TE | South Leicester Rugby Football Club (The Club House) | 2,637 | <u>2,064</u> | None | None |

(Acting) Returning Officer's Draft Comments & Proposals

Polling District K1: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Polling District K2: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

The designation of this polling district cannot be changed. It exists administratively to separate out and incorporate relevant streets into its corresponding county division boundary which is non-coterminous with the ward.

Polling District L: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Consultation Responses (0)

Polling District K1: None received.



Polling District K2: None received.

Polling District L: None received.

(Acting) Returning Officer's Final Comments & Proposals

Polling District K1: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Polling District K2: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Polling District L: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.



Harborough, Oadby and Wigston Constituency

Wigston All Saints

Existing Arrangements

| Polling District | Polling Place | Polling Station | Electorate | Polling Station Electorate | Accessibility Concerns? | Other Concerns? |
|------------------|---|---|------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| M | Horsewell Lane, Wigston, Leicestershire, LE18 2HR | Thythorn Hill Community and Sports Centre | 2,133 | <u>1,750</u> | None | None |
| N1 | Bushloe End, Wigston, Leicestershire, LE18 2BA | The Elms Social and Service Club | 2,184 | <u>1,611</u> | None | Yes |
| N2 | Bushloe End, Wigston, Leicestershire, LE18 2BA | The Elms Social and Service Club | 291 | <u>210</u> | None | Yes |

(Acting) Returning Officer's Draft Comments & Proposals

Polling District M: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Polling District N1: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. However, the ARO understands that The Elms Social and Service Club is no longer available for use as polling place and polling station as its day-to-day operations have ceased.

The ARO proposes to designate Little Hill Primary School on Launceston Road, Wigston, Leicestershire, LE18 2GZ as the new polling place and polling station for electors residing in Polling Districts N1 and N2. At the time of publishing, a visit to the school had not been possible due to it being closed October during half-term, but one was to be arranged when it re-opened. On a desktop assessment, the ARO believes there are reasonable facilities for voting. As a contingency, the ARO continued to make enquires to explore an alternative designation of Little Hill Church on 23 Launceston Road, Wigston, Leicestershire, LE18 2GZ. The final proposed designation will feature in the ARO's final comments and proposals.

Polling District N2: As above.



The designation of this polling district cannot be changed. It exists administratively to separate out and incorporate relevant streets into its corresponding county division boundary which is non-coterminous with the ward.

Consultation Responses (1)

Polling District M: None received.

Polling District N1: The response acknowledged the need to relocate the existing polling place and polling station at The Elms Social and Service Club for Polling Districts N1 and N2. The response considered that the proposed Little Hill Primary School and Little Hill Church were located too far from the existing venue and would not therefore benefit electors. The consultee's preferred a location closer to Wigston town centre and suggested the following alternative venues for consideration:

- Sheila Mitchell Pavilion at Peace Memorial Park on Long Street, Wigston, Leicestershire LE18 2AJ
- All Saints Church of England Primary School on Long Street, Wigston, Leicestershire, LE18 2AH
- United Reformed Church on 43 Long Street, Wigston, Leicestershire LE18 2AJ

Polling District N2: As above.

(Acting) Returning Officer's Final Comments & Proposals

Polling District M: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Polling District N1: Acknowledging the consultees' comments for a location closer to Wigston town centre and acting on the consultees' suggestions, visits were made to the Sheila Mitchell Pavilion and All Saints Church of England Primary School. Whilst both venues do have reasonable facilities for voting when used as a single polling station (i.e. where Polling Districts N1 and N2 are administratively combined for most elections), the Pavilion building was considered too small to be able to comfortably accommodate electors and polling staff as a double polling station (i.e. at a County Council election).

Furthermore, the visit to the school did identify the hall, a self-contained area with direct access/egress for electors and polling staff, as the most appropriate room for polling purposes. A discussion with the school's Premises Manager, following consultation with the Head Teacher, also indicated the use of this room would not significantly impact the school's day-to-day operations. As such, a partial or full school closure would therefore not be required on polling day.



The ARO therefore proposes to designate All Saints Church of England Primary School on Long Street, Wigston, Leicestershire, LE18 2AH as the new polling place and polling station for electors residing in Polling Districts N1 and N2.

Multiple attempts both by e-mail and telephone to contact and arrange a visit with the advertised point of contact at the United Reformed Church were made. At the time of publishing, no response has been received back. The ARO has therefore been unable to confirm whether reasonable facilities for voting exist and, as the building is operated by a privately funded enterprise, the ARO cannot requisition the use of the venue for polling purposes by law.

For completeness, a visit to Little Hill Primary School was undertaken which did confirm that reasonable facilities for voting did exist: however, on balance, and considering consultees' comments, the ARO deems that the All Saints Church of England Primary School offer superior facilities. A Church Leader for the Little Hill Church did respond to advise that the use of the building for non-worship related purposes was prohibited by the church's governance arrangements.

Polling District N2: As above.



Harborough, Oadby and Wigston Constituency

Wigston Fields

Existing Arrangements

| Polling District | Polling Place | Polling Station | Electorate | Polling Station Electorate | Accessibility Concerns? | Other Concerns? |
|------------------|--|--------------------------------------|------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| O | Central Avenue, Wigston, Leicestershire, LE18 2AA | Central Avenue Christian Church Hall | 2,141 | <u>1,855</u> | None | None |
| P1 | Burleigh Avenue, Wigston, Leicestershire, LE18 1FH | Bethel Evangelical Free Church | 2,585 | <u>1,915</u> | None | None |
| P2 | Burleigh Avenue, Wigston, Leicestershire, LE18 1FH | Bethel Evangelical Free Church | 361 | <u>249</u> | None | None |

(Acting) Returning Officer's Draft Comments & Proposals

Polling District O: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Polling District P1: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Polling District P2: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

The designation of this polling district cannot be changed. It exists administratively to separate out and incorporate relevant streets into its corresponding county division boundary which is non-coterminous with the ward.

Consultation Responses (0)

Polling District O: None received.



Polling District P1: None received.

Polling District P2: None received.

(Acting) Returning Officer's Final Comments & Proposals

Polling District O: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Polling District P1: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Polling District P2: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.



Harborough, Oadby and Wigston Constituency

South Wigston

Existing Arrangements

| Polling District | Polling Place | Polling Station | Electorate | Polling Station Electorate | Accessibility Concerns? | Other Concerns? |
|------------------|---|------------------------------------|------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Q | Bassett Street, South Wigston, Leicestershire, LE18 4PE | The Menphys Hub | 1,982 | <u>1,732</u> | None | None |
| R | Blaby Road, South Wigston, Leicestershire, LE18 4LB | Blaby Road Park Pavilion | 1,651 | <u>1,400</u> | None | None |
| S | Cheshire Drive, South Wigston, Leicestershire, LE18 4WA | Fairfield Community Primary School | 2,421 | <u>1,932</u> | None | None |

(Acting) Returning Officer's Draft Comments & Proposals

Polling District Q: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Polling District R: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Polling District S: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Note that the designation of this polling district cannot be changed. It exists administratively to separate out and incorporate relevant streets into its corresponding county division boundary which is non-coterminous with the ward.

Consultation Responses (0)



Polling District Q: None received.

Polling District R: None received.

Polling District S: None received.

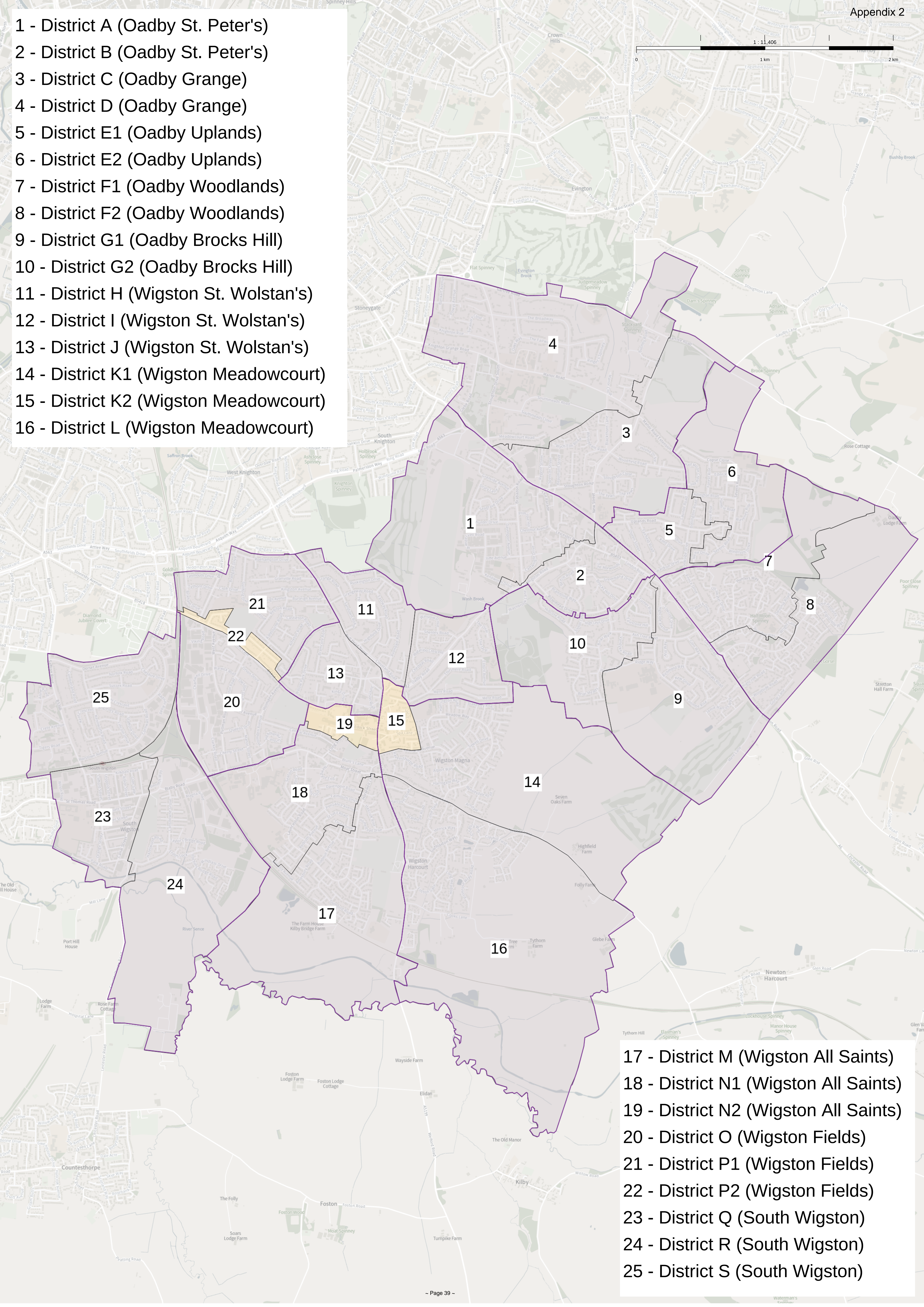
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Polling District Q: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

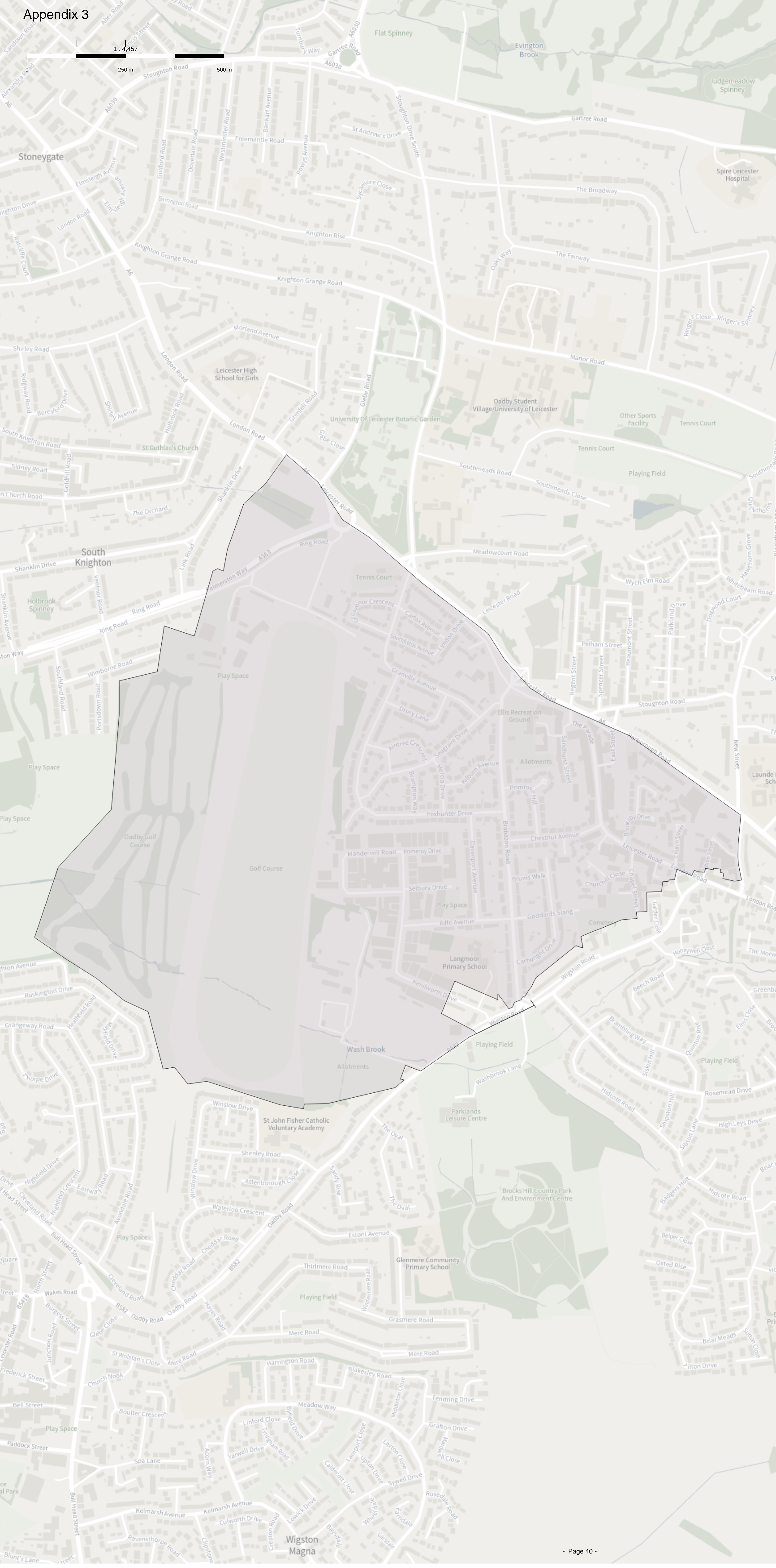
Polling District R: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

Polling District S: No amendments to the existing polling district are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the existing polling place and polling station for electors as the review and feedback indicates that these provide reasonable facilities for voting.

- 1 - District A (Oadby St. Peter's)
- 2 - District B (Oadby St. Peter's)
- 3 - District C (Oadby Grange)
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- 25 - District S (South Wigston)



District A

Ward:

Oadby St. Peter's

County division:

Oadby

Parliamentary boundary:

Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

Parish:

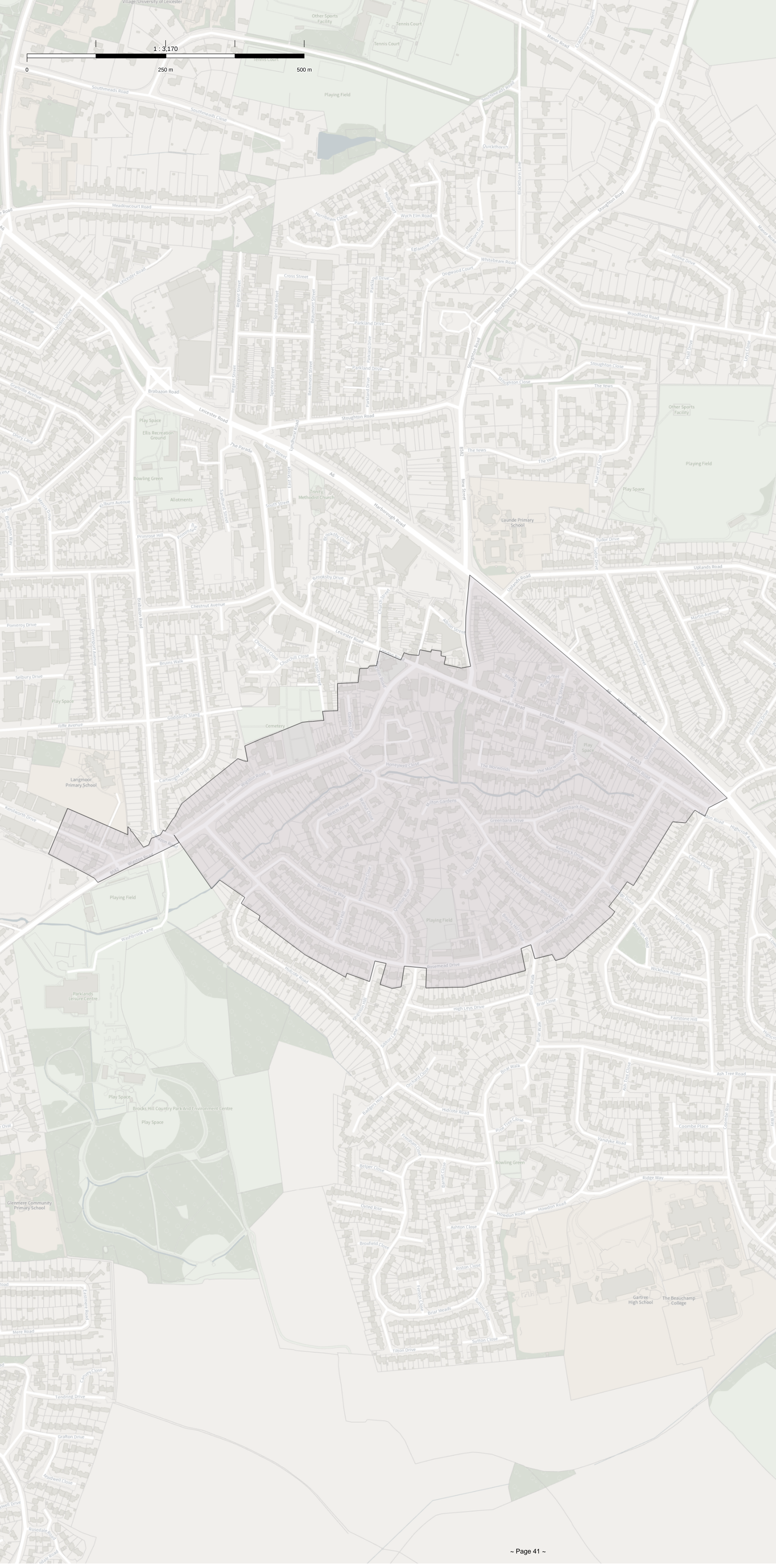
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Property count: 1202

Electorate count: 1827

Polling stations:

- Trinity Methodist Church



District B

Ward:

Oadby St. Peter's

County division:

Oadby

Parliamentary boundary:

Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

Parish:

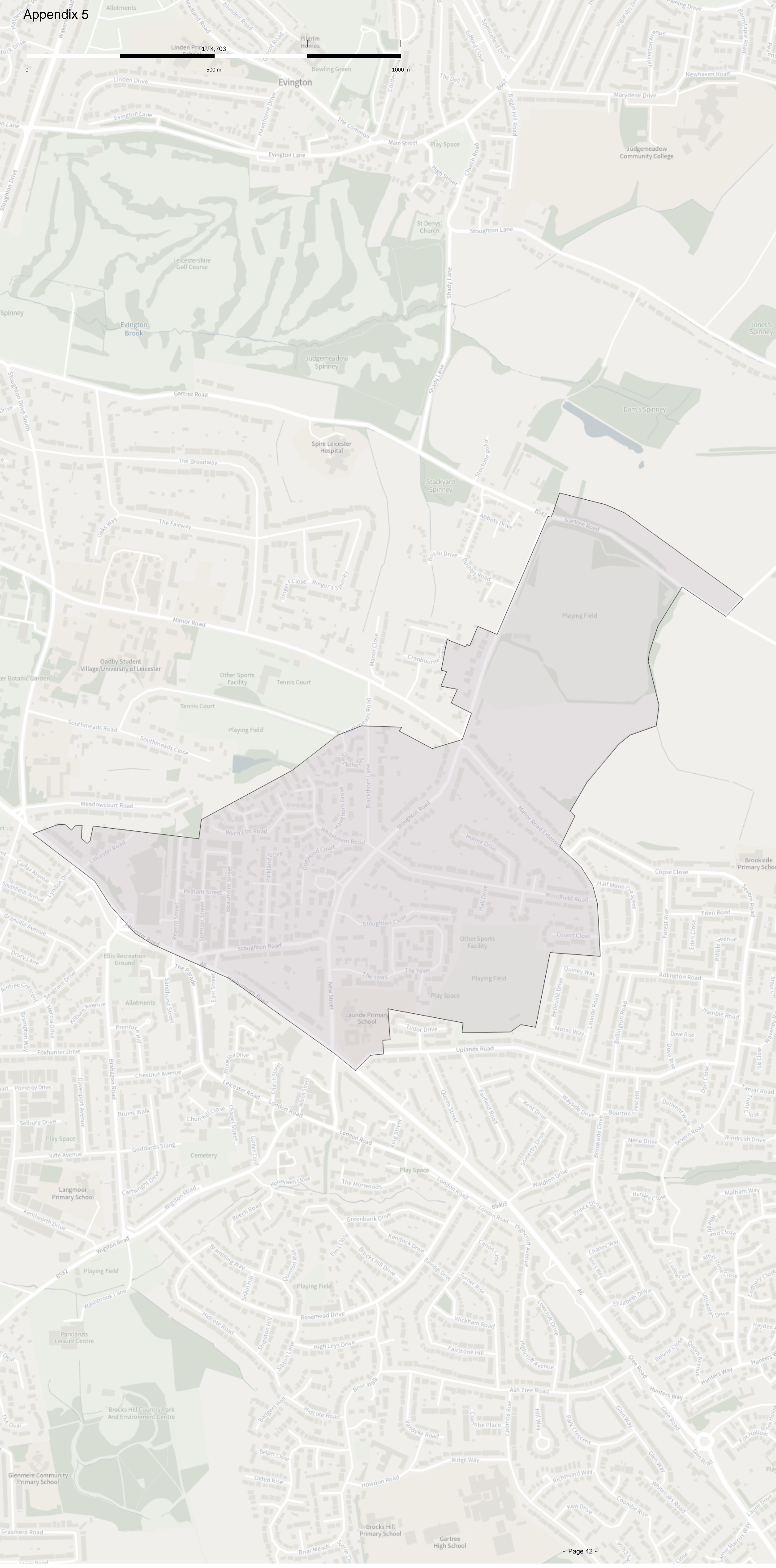
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Property count: **950**

Electorate count: **1523**

Polling stations:

- United Reformed Church Hall



District C

Ward:

Oadby Grange

County division:

Oadby

Parliamentary boundary:

Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

Parish:

None

Property count: **1029**

Electorate count: **1896**

Polling stations:

- Immaculate Conception Church Hall



District D

Ward:

Oadby Grange

County division:

Oadby

Parliamentary boundary:

Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

Parish:

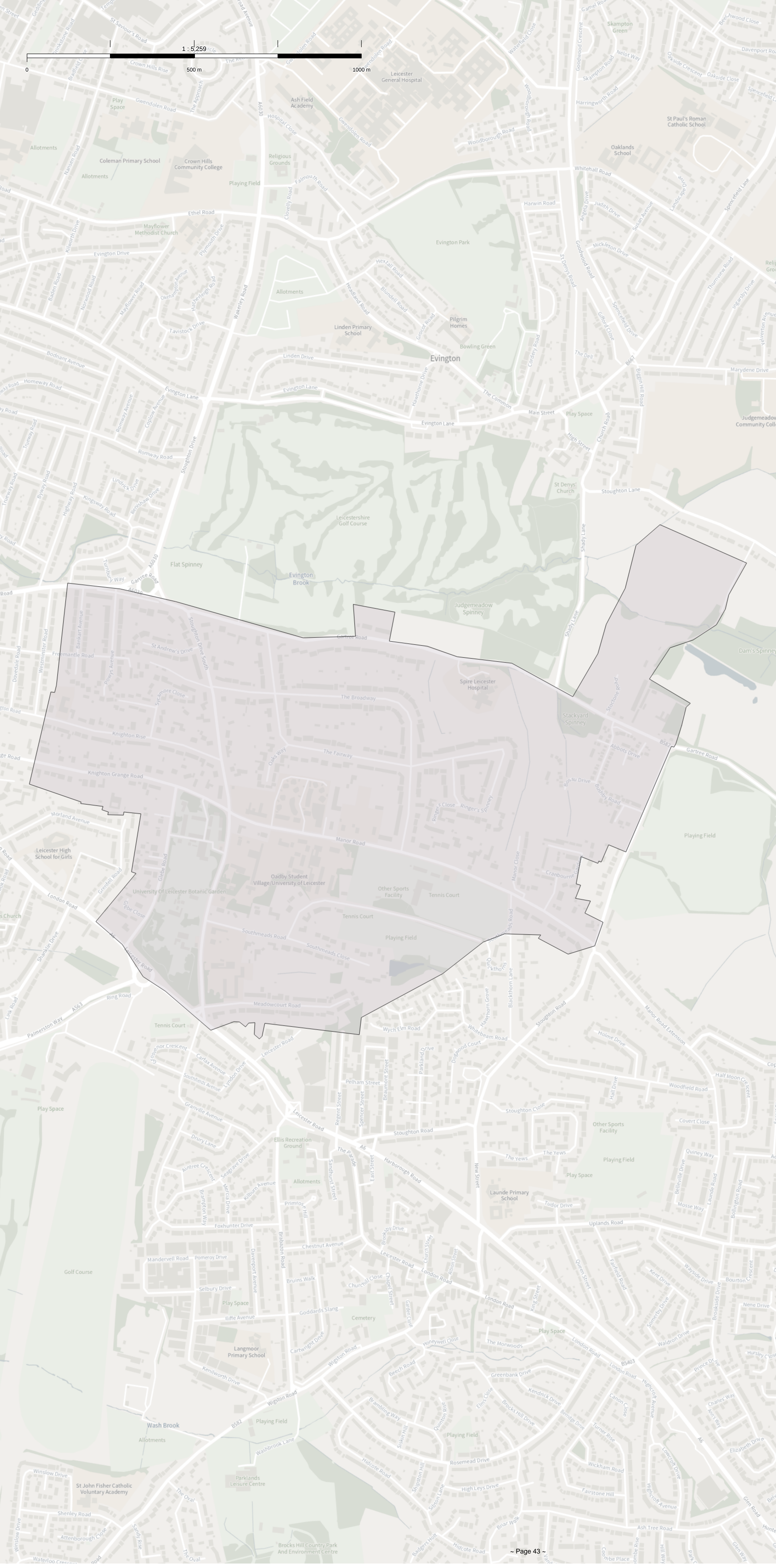
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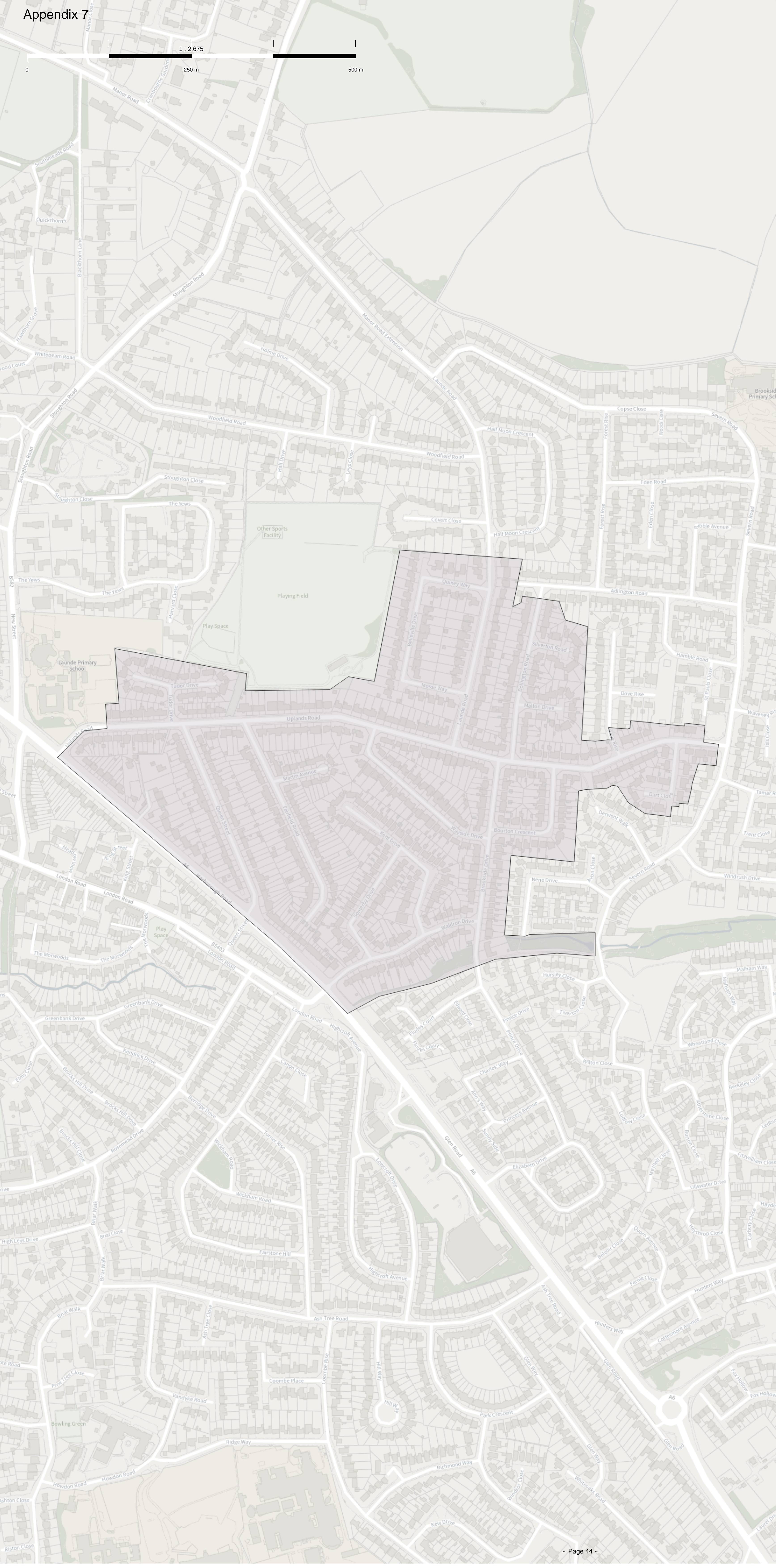
Property count: **819**

Electorate count: **1857**

Polling stations:

- John Foster Hall





District E1

Ward:

Oadby Uplands

County division:

Oadby

Parliamentary boundary:

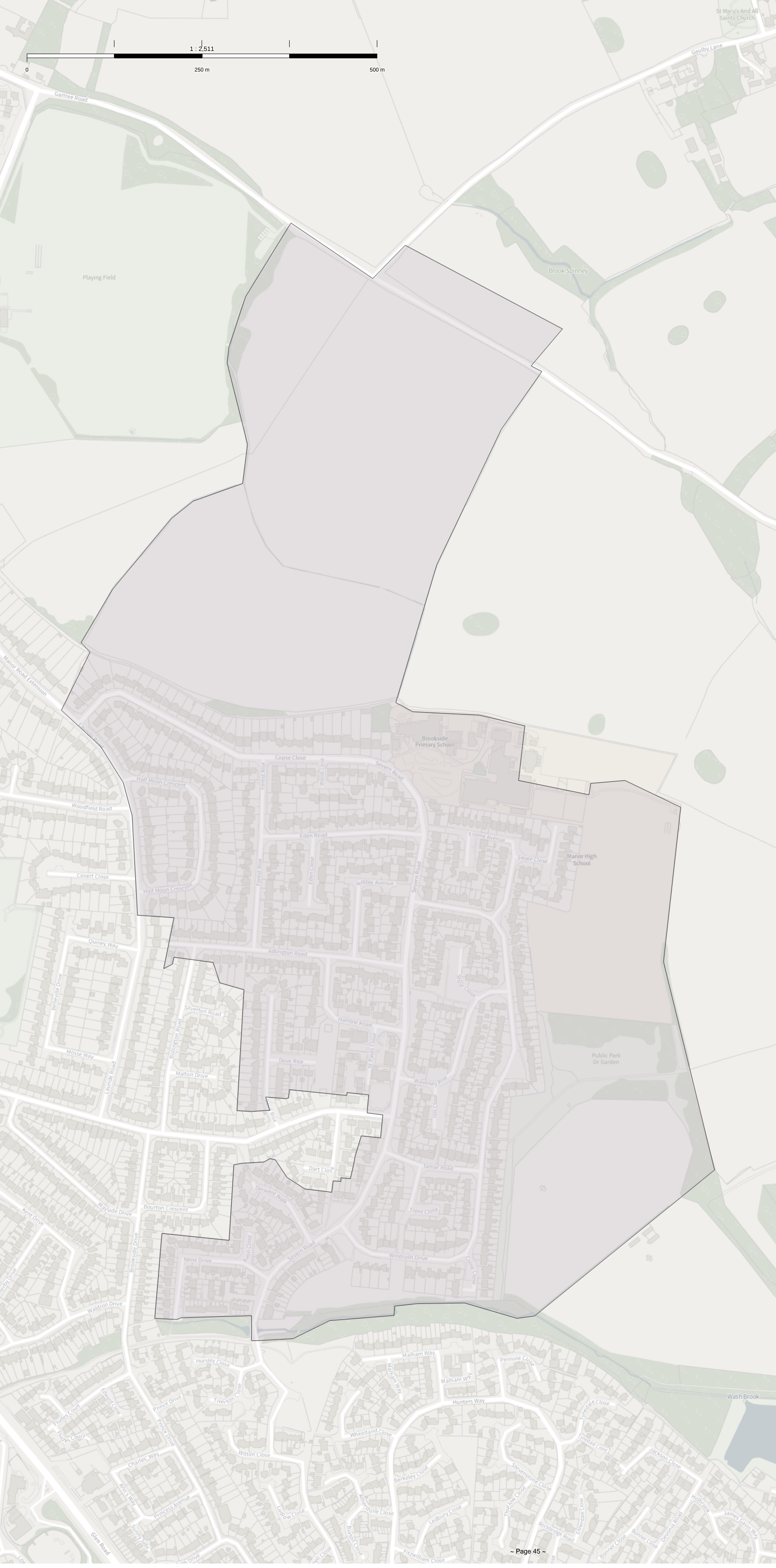
Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

Parish:

None

Property count: **772**

Electorate count: **1549**



District E2

Ward:

Oadby Uplands

County division:

Oadby

Parliamentary boundary:

Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

Parish:

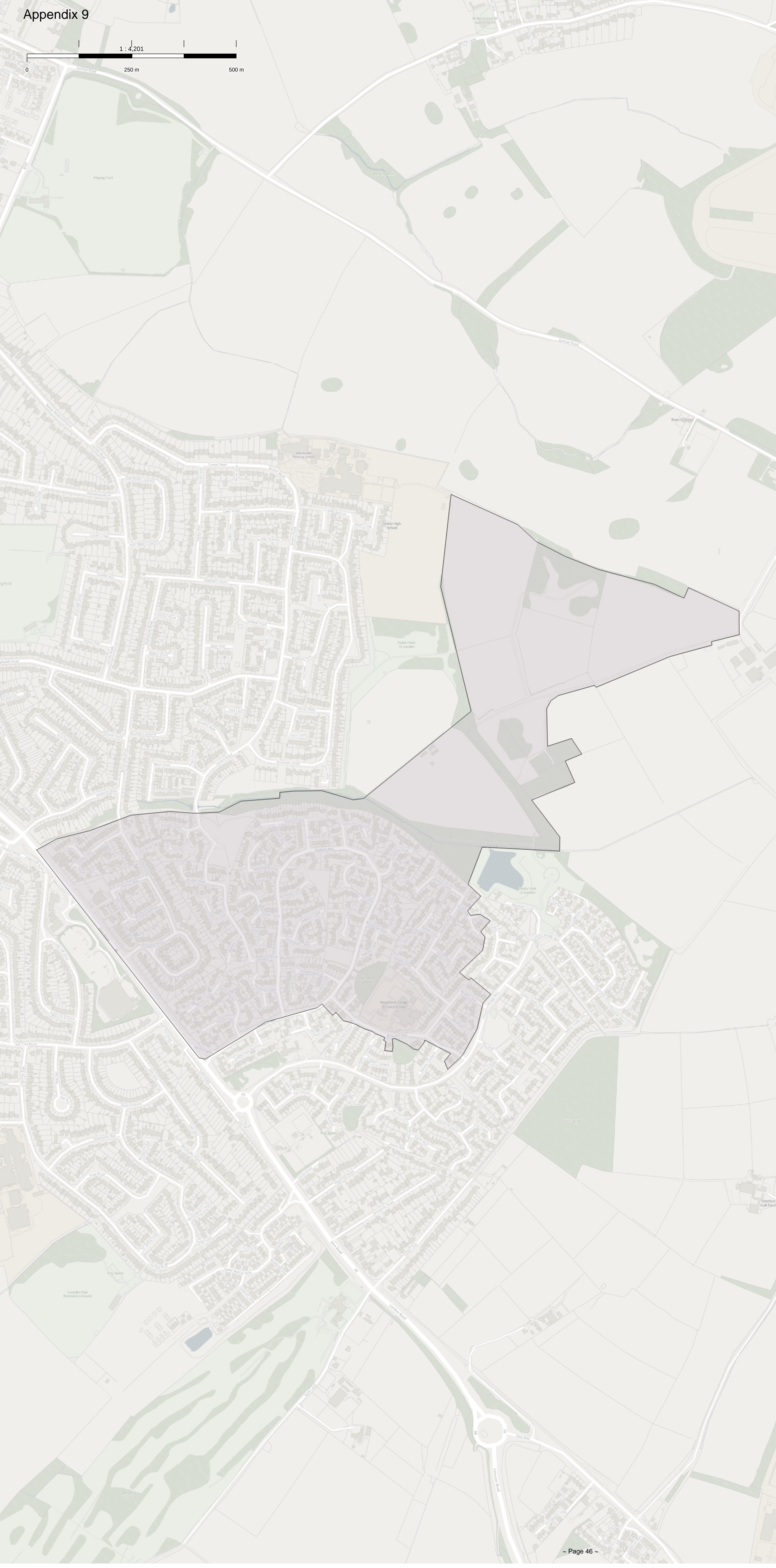
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Property count: **852**

Electorate count: **1755**

Polling stations:

**- St. Paul's Church
(Double)**



District F1

Ward:

Oadby Woodlands

County division:

Oadby

Parliamentary boundary:

Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

Parish:

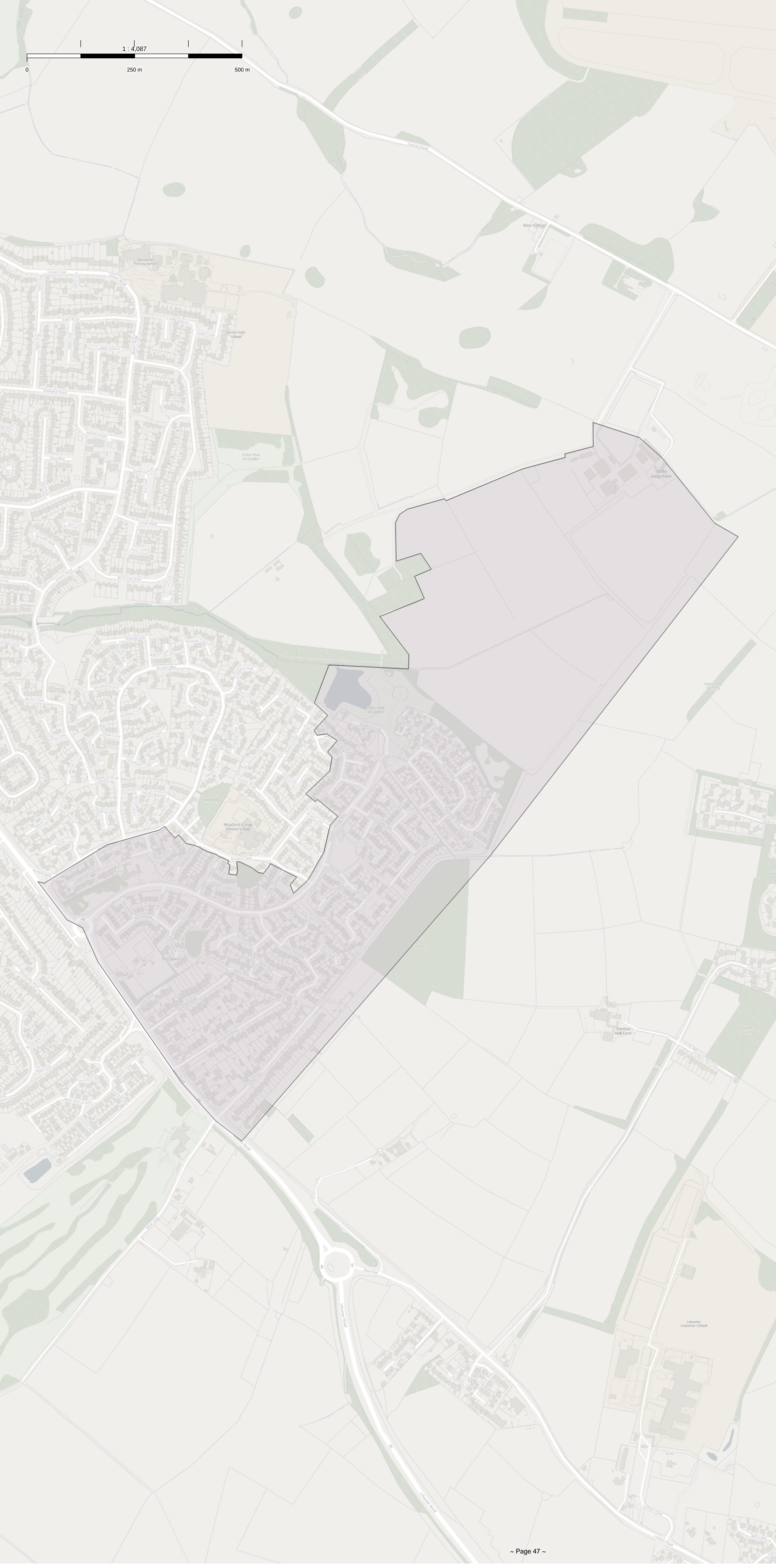
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Property count: **901**

Electorate count: **1723**

Polling stations:

- Woodland Grange Primary School (Double)



District F2

Ward:

Oadby Woodlands

County division:

Oadby

Parliamentary boundary:

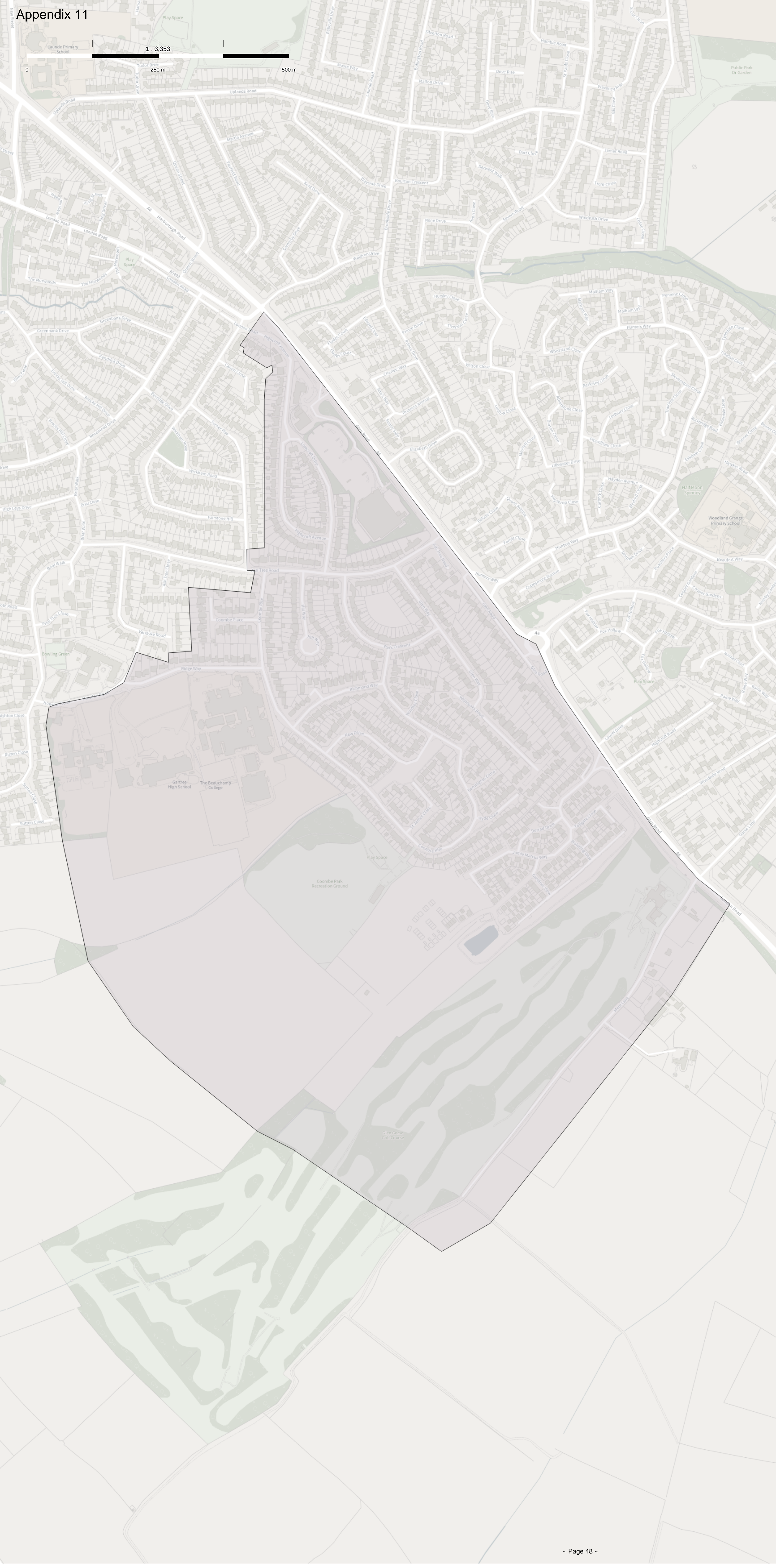
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Parish:

None

Property count: **781**

Electorate count: **1634**



District G1

Ward:

Oadby Brocks Hill

County division:

Oadby

Parliamentary boundary:

Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

Parish:

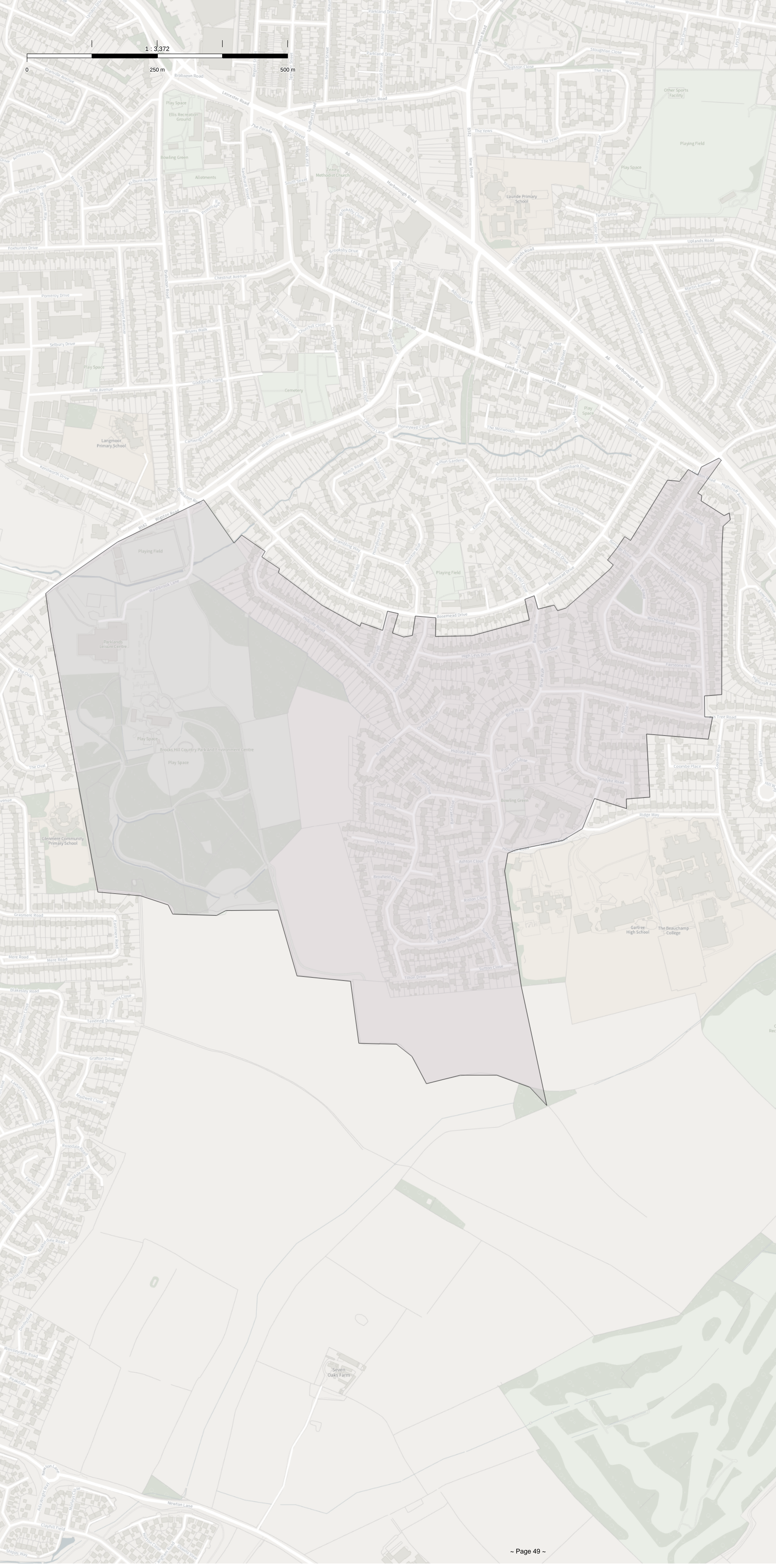
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Property count: **848**

Electorate count: **1557**

Polling stations:

- **Coombe Park Pavilion**
- **Brocks Hill Primary School**



District G2

Ward:

Oadby Brocks Hill

County division:

Oadby

Parliamentary boundary:

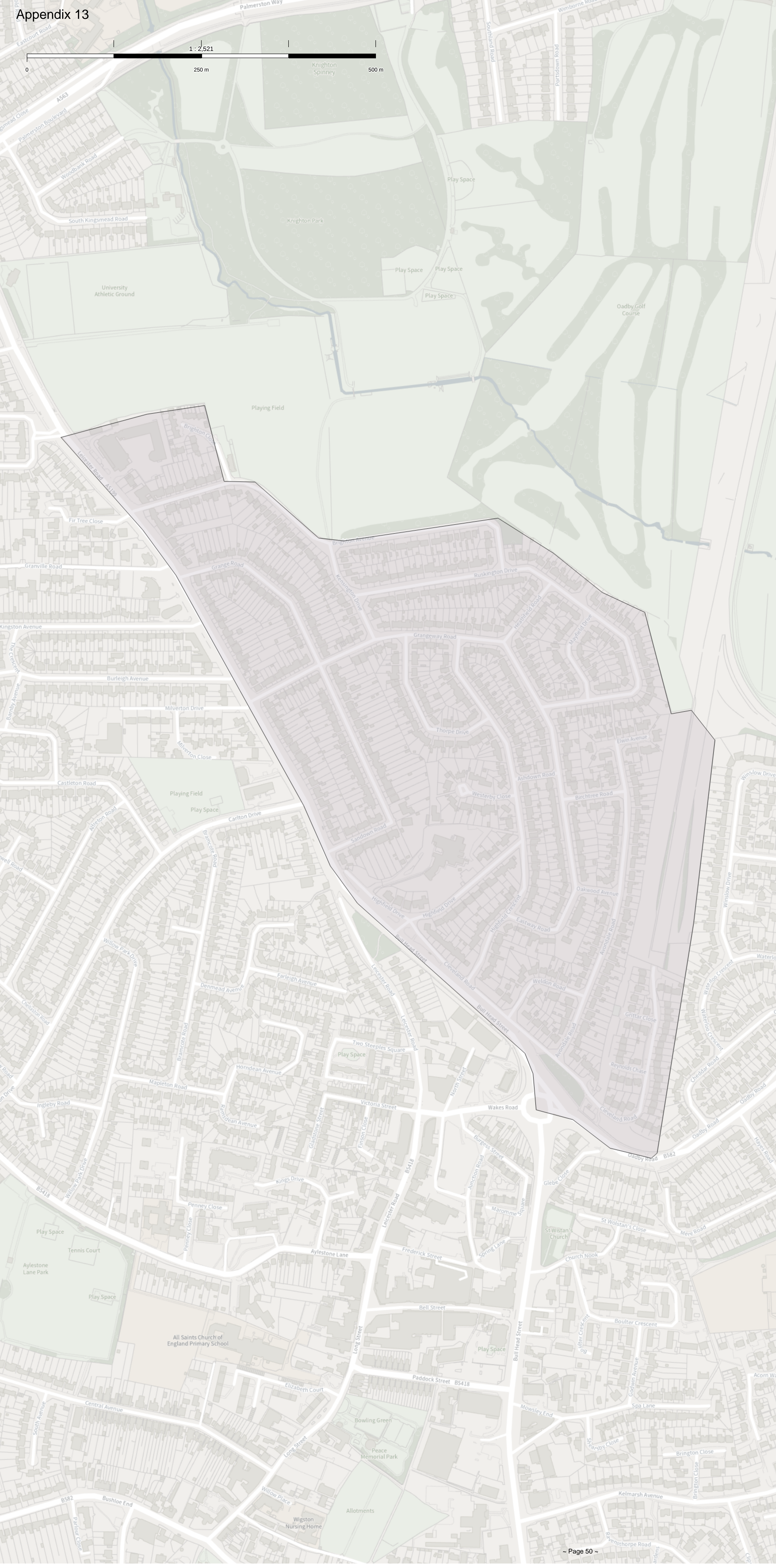
Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

Parish:

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Property count: **912**

Electorate count: **1693**



District H

Ward:

Wigston St. Wolstan's

County division:

North Wigston

Parliamentary boundary:

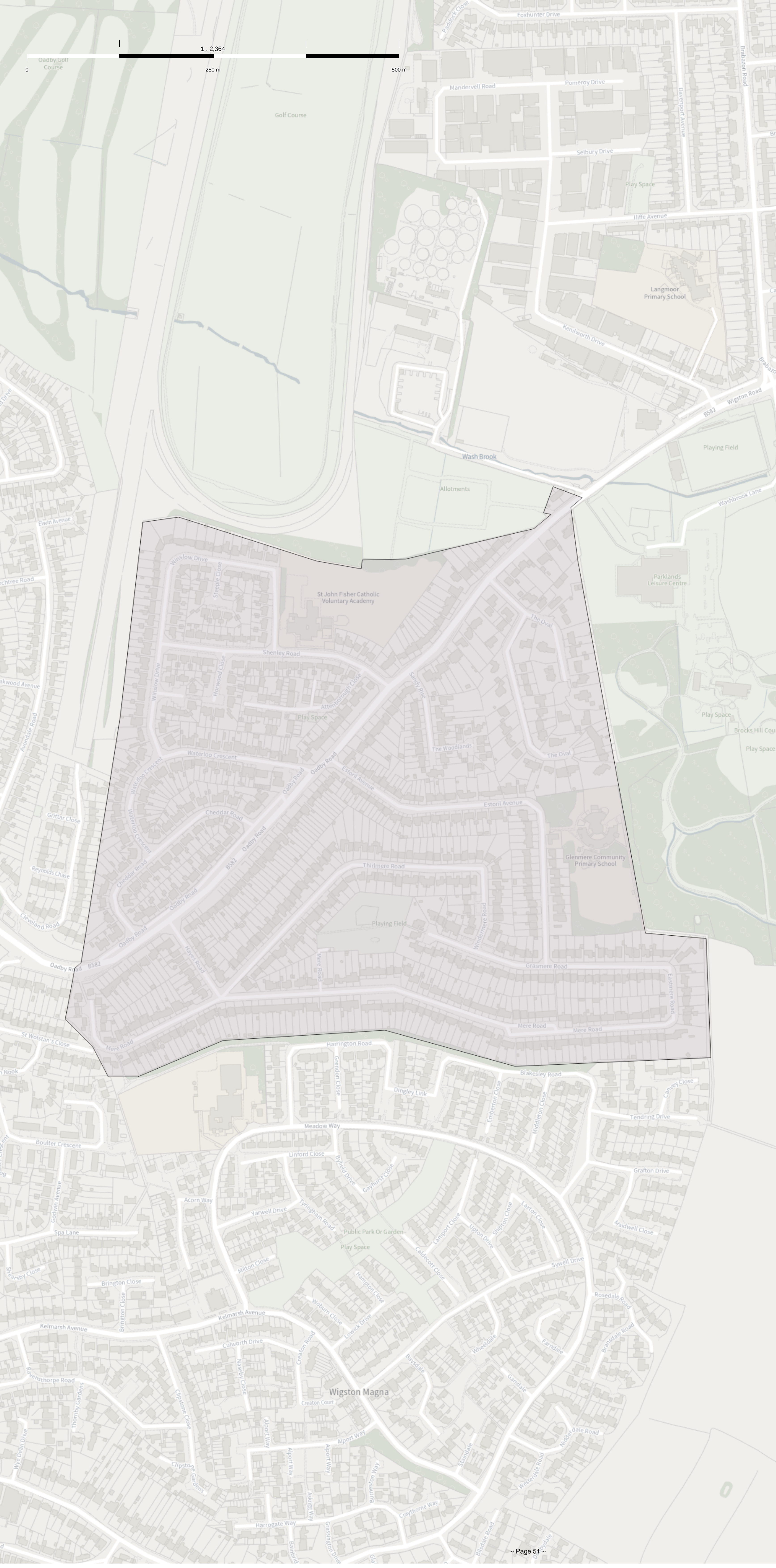
Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

Parish:

None

Property count: **943**

Electorate count: **1757**



District I

Ward:

Wigston St. Wolstan's

County division:

North Wigston

Parliamentary boundary:

Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

Parish:

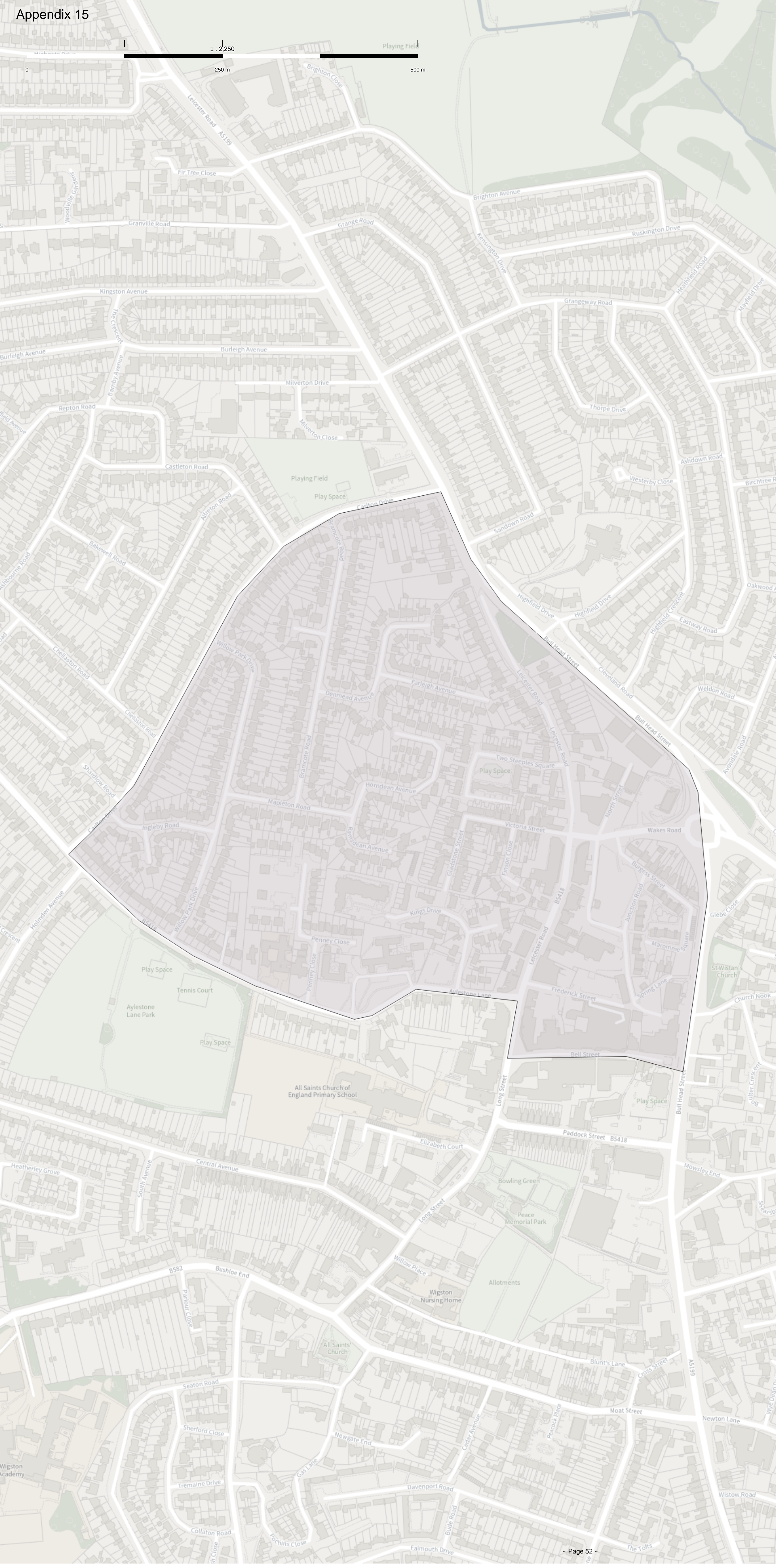
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Property count: **922**

Electorate count: **1721**

Polling stations:

- Glenmere Community Primary School



District J

Ward:

Wigston St. Wolstan's

County division:

North Wigston

Parliamentary boundary:

Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

Parish:

None

Property count: 861

Electorate count: 1539



District K1

Ward:

Wigston Meadowcourt

County division:

East Wigston

Parliamentary boundary:

Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

Parish:

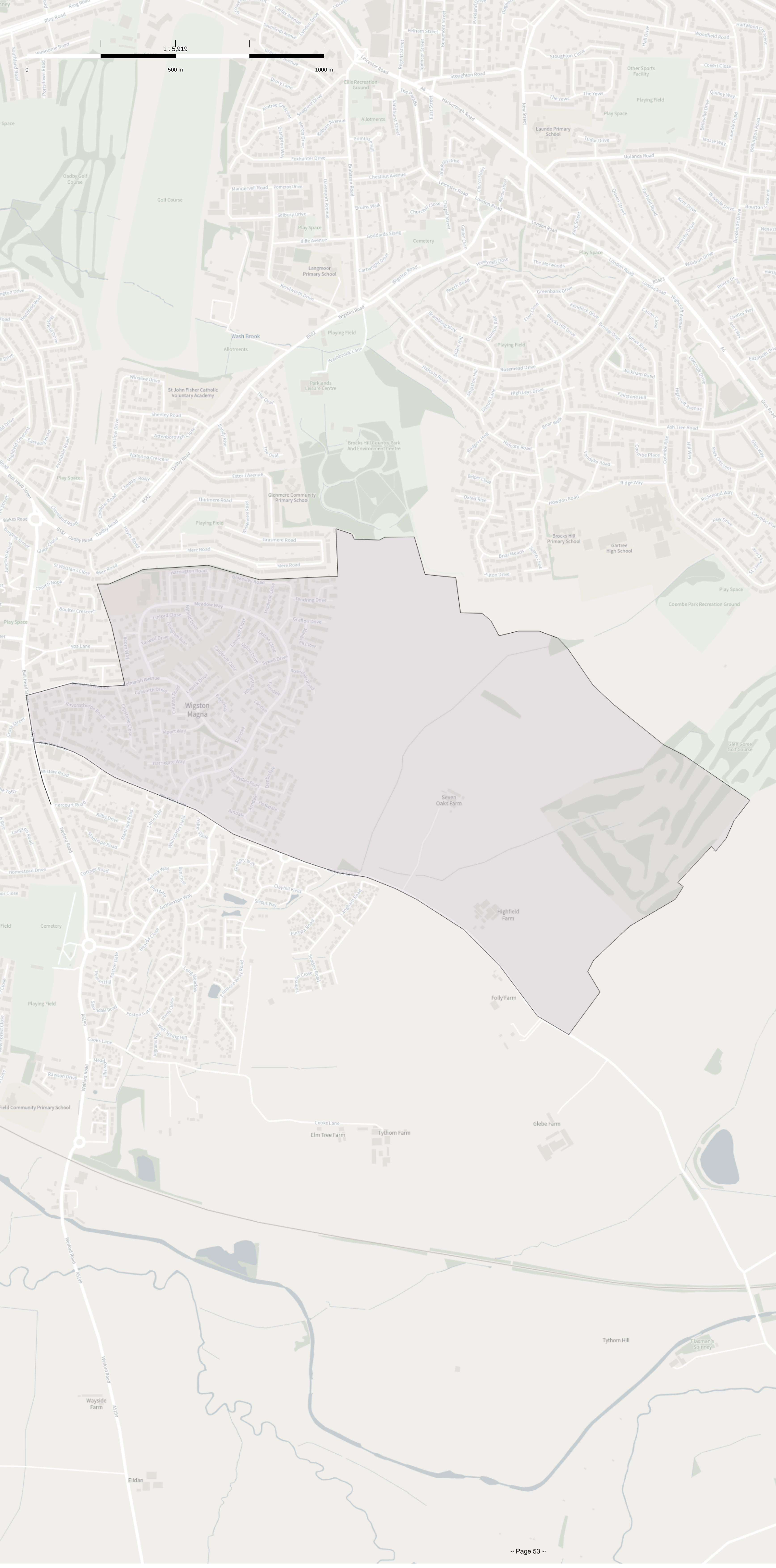
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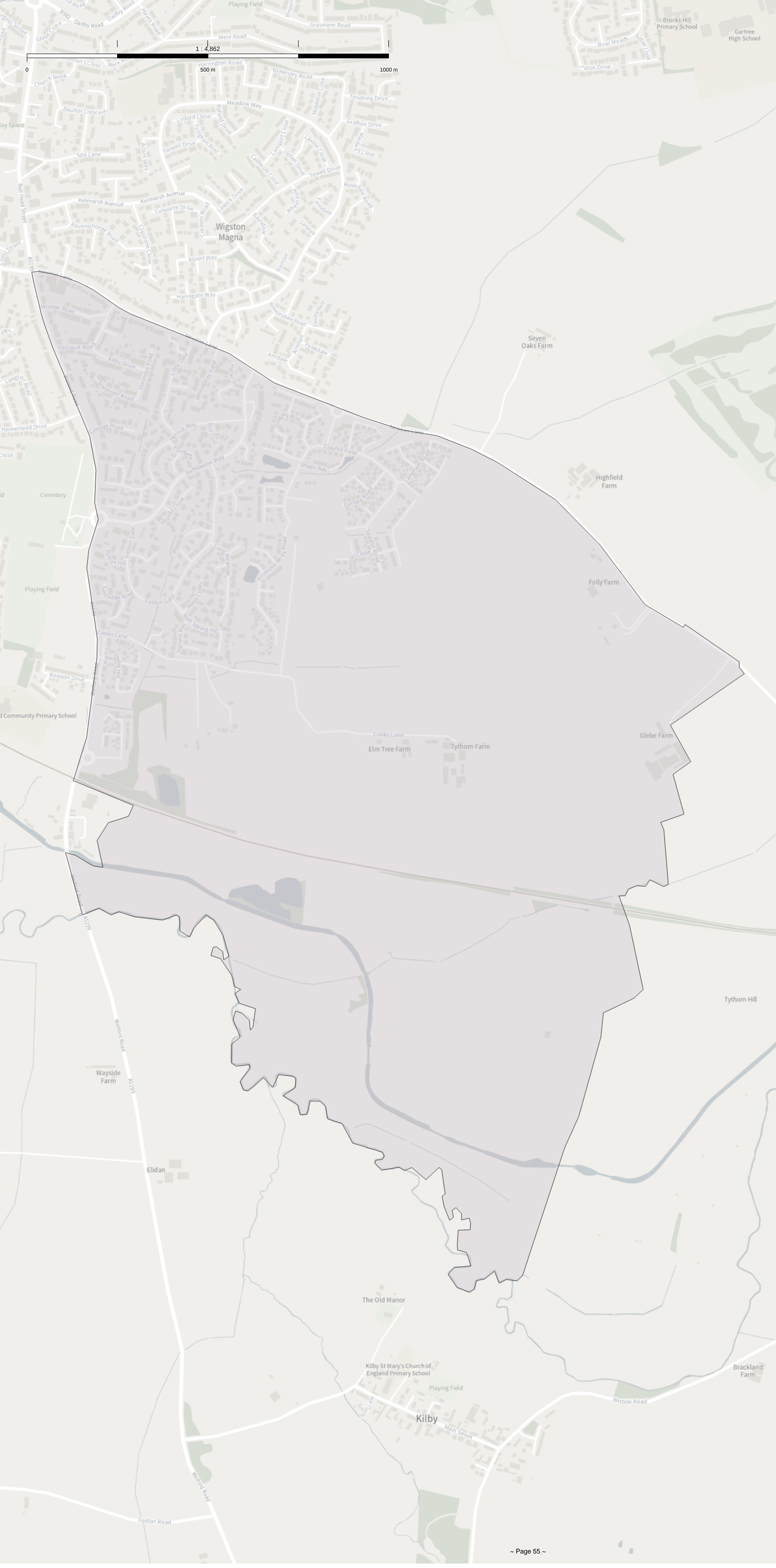
Property count: 1248

Electorate count: 2201

Polling stations:

- Meadow Community Primary School





District L

Ward:

Wigston Meadowcourt

County division:

East Wigston

Parliamentary boundary:

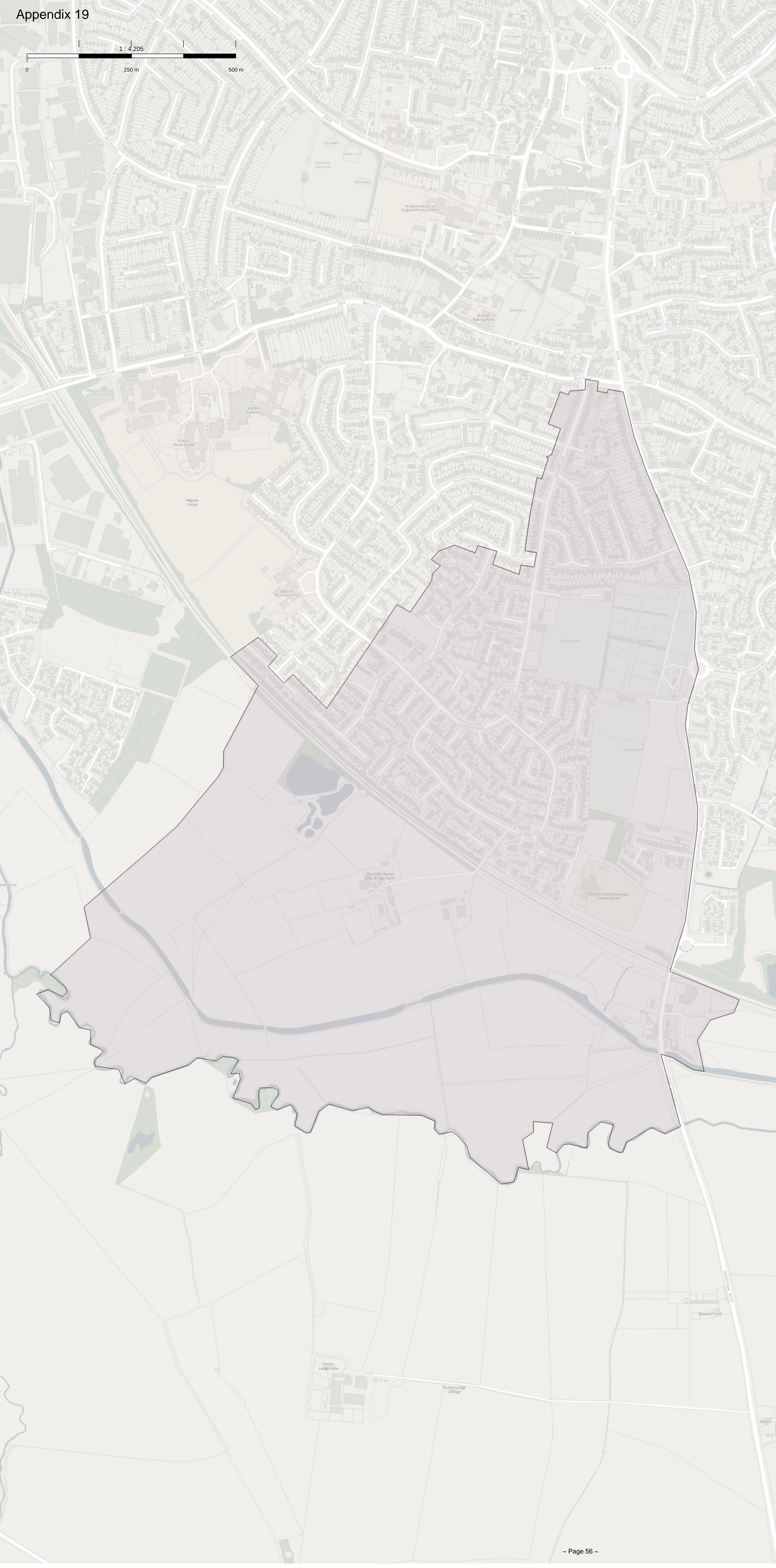
Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

Parish:

None

Property count: **1582**

Electorate count: **2637**



District M

Ward:

Wigston All Saints

County division:

East Wigston

Parliamentary boundary:

Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

Parish:

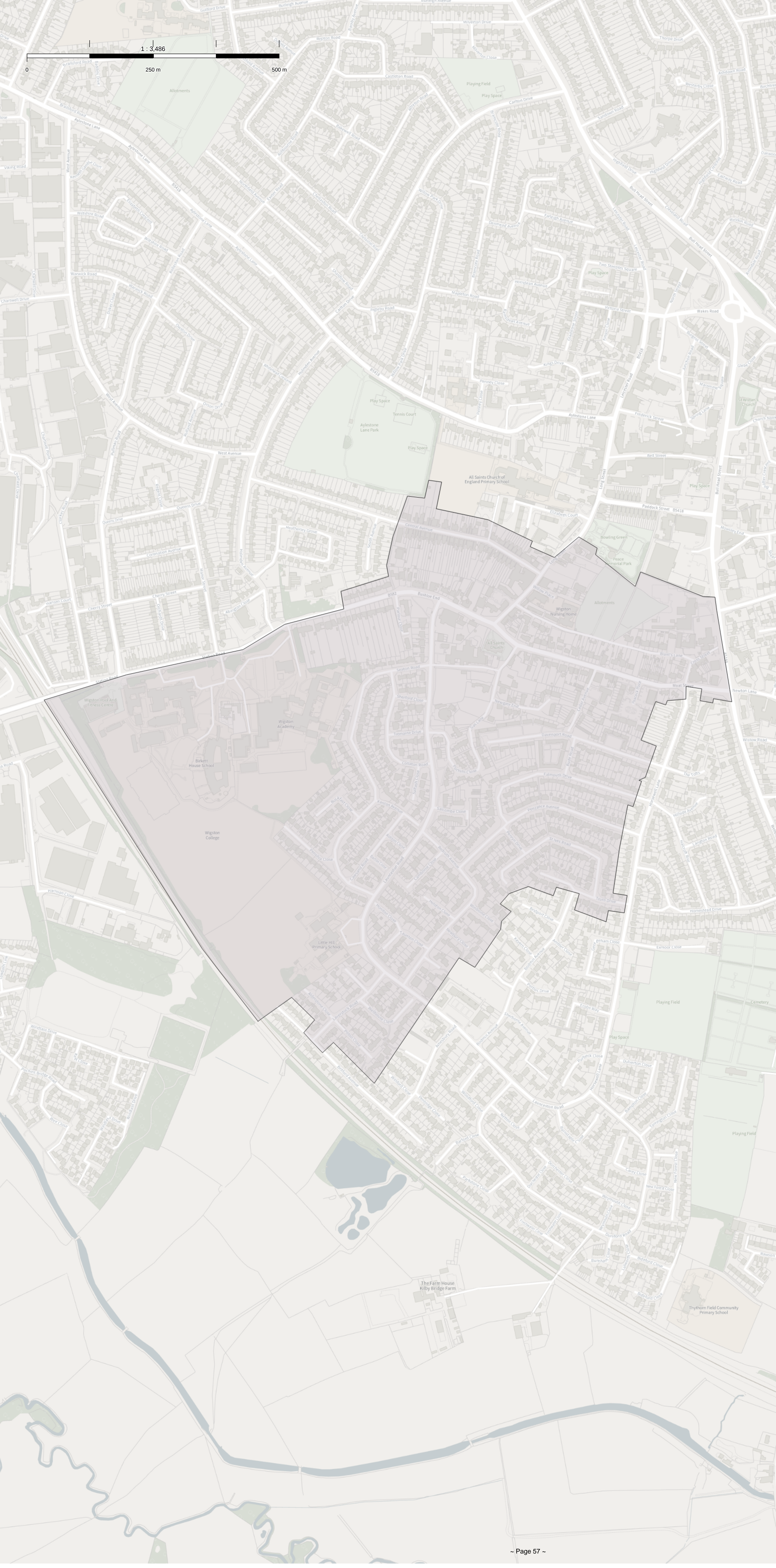
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Property count: **1191**

Electorate count: **2133**

Polling stations:

- **Thythorn Hill Community and Sports Centre**
- **South Leicester Rugby Football Club**



District N1

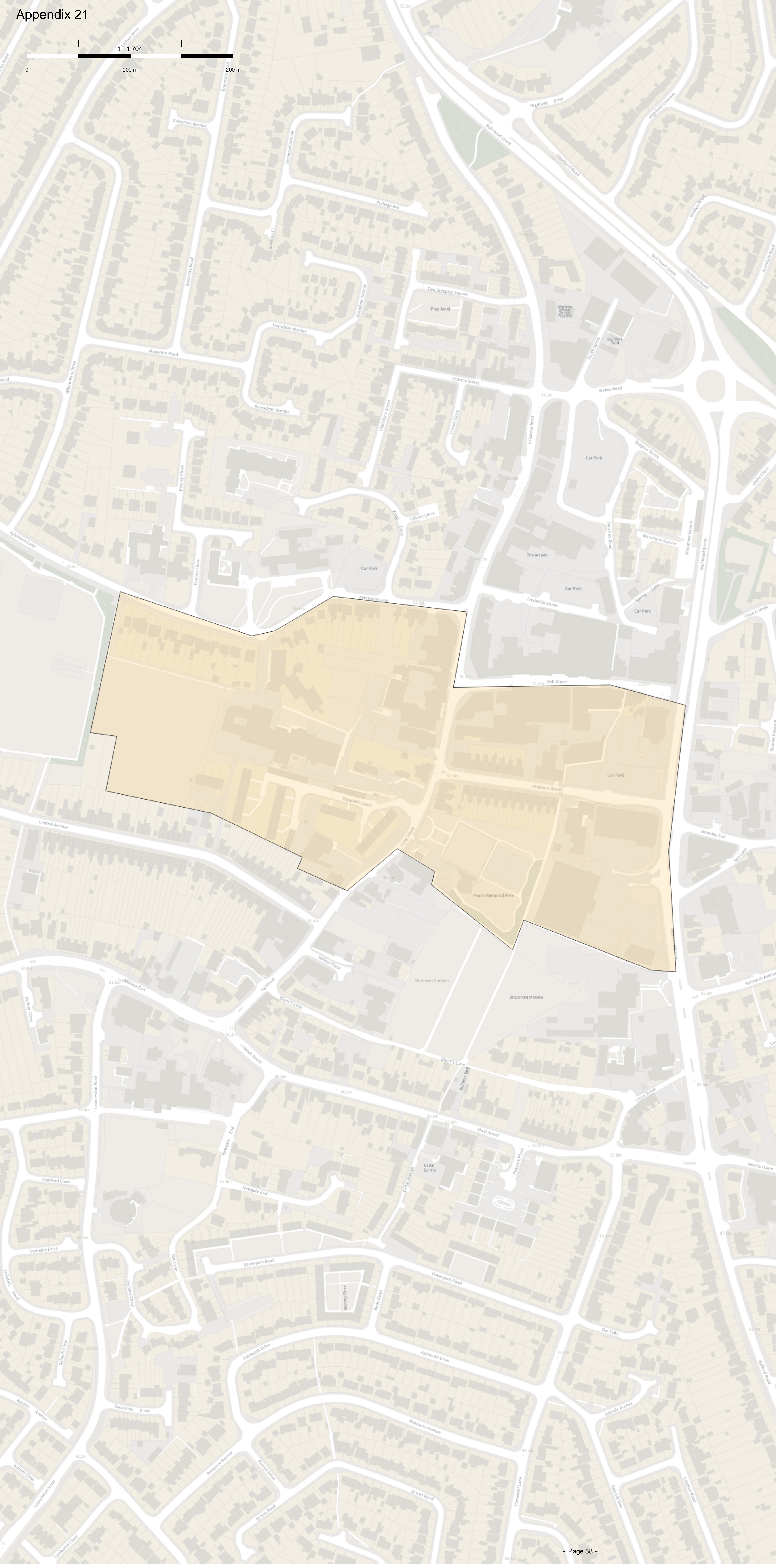
Ward:
Wigston All Saints
County division:

East Wigston
Parliamentary boundary:
Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

Parish:
None

Property count: **1297**
Electorate count: **2184**

Polling stations:
- Central Avenue Christian Church Hall



District N2

Ward:

Wigston All Saints

County division:

North Wigston

Parliamentary boundary:

Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

Parish:

None

Property count: **246**

Electorate count: **291**

Polling stations:

- All Saints C of E Primary School



District O

Ward:

Wigston Fields

County division:

South & West Wigston

Parliamentary boundary:

Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

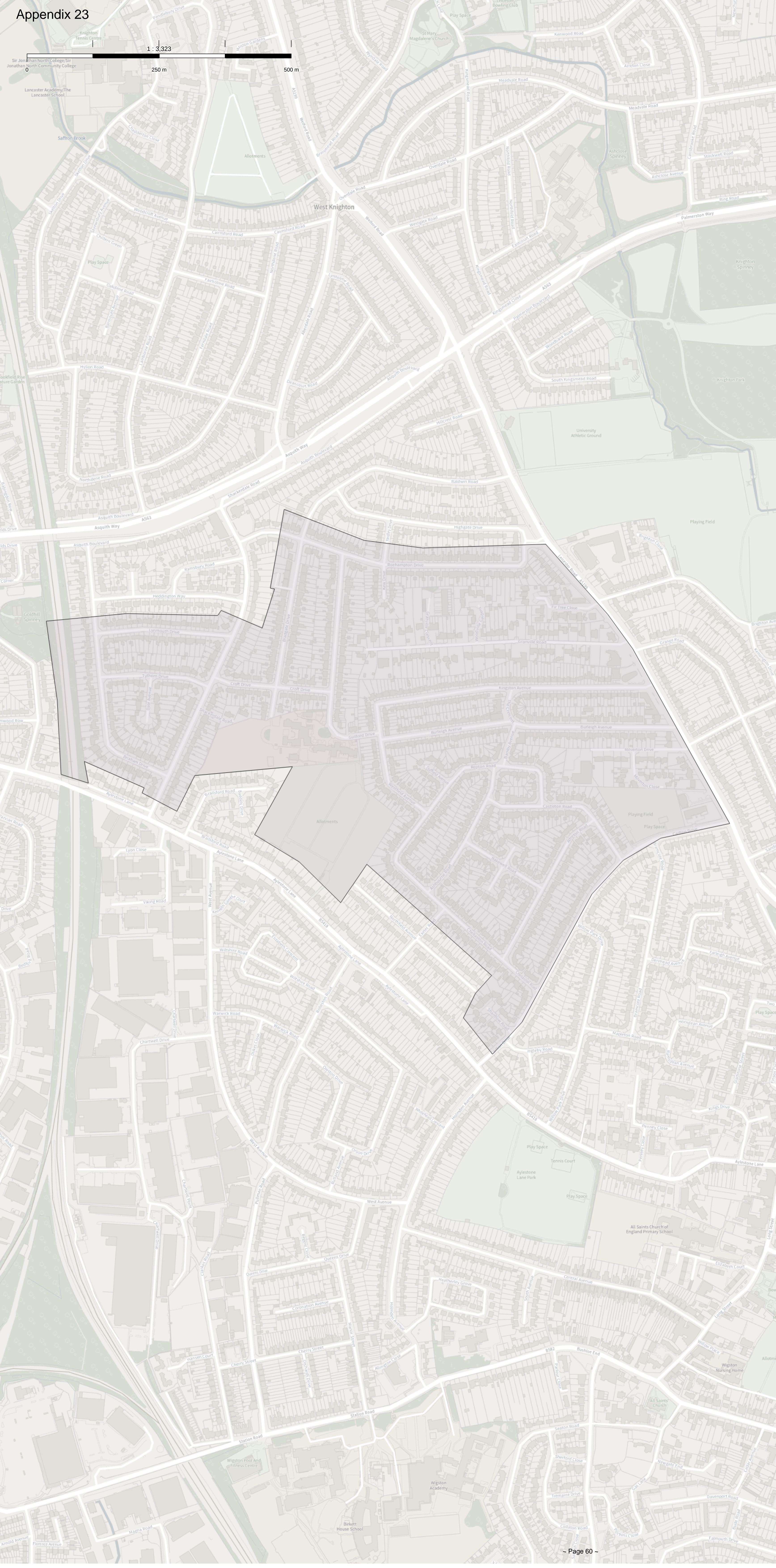
Parish:

None

Property count: **1204**

Electorate count: **2141**





District P1

Ward:

Wigston Fields

County division:

North Wigston

Parliamentary boundary:

Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

Parish:

None

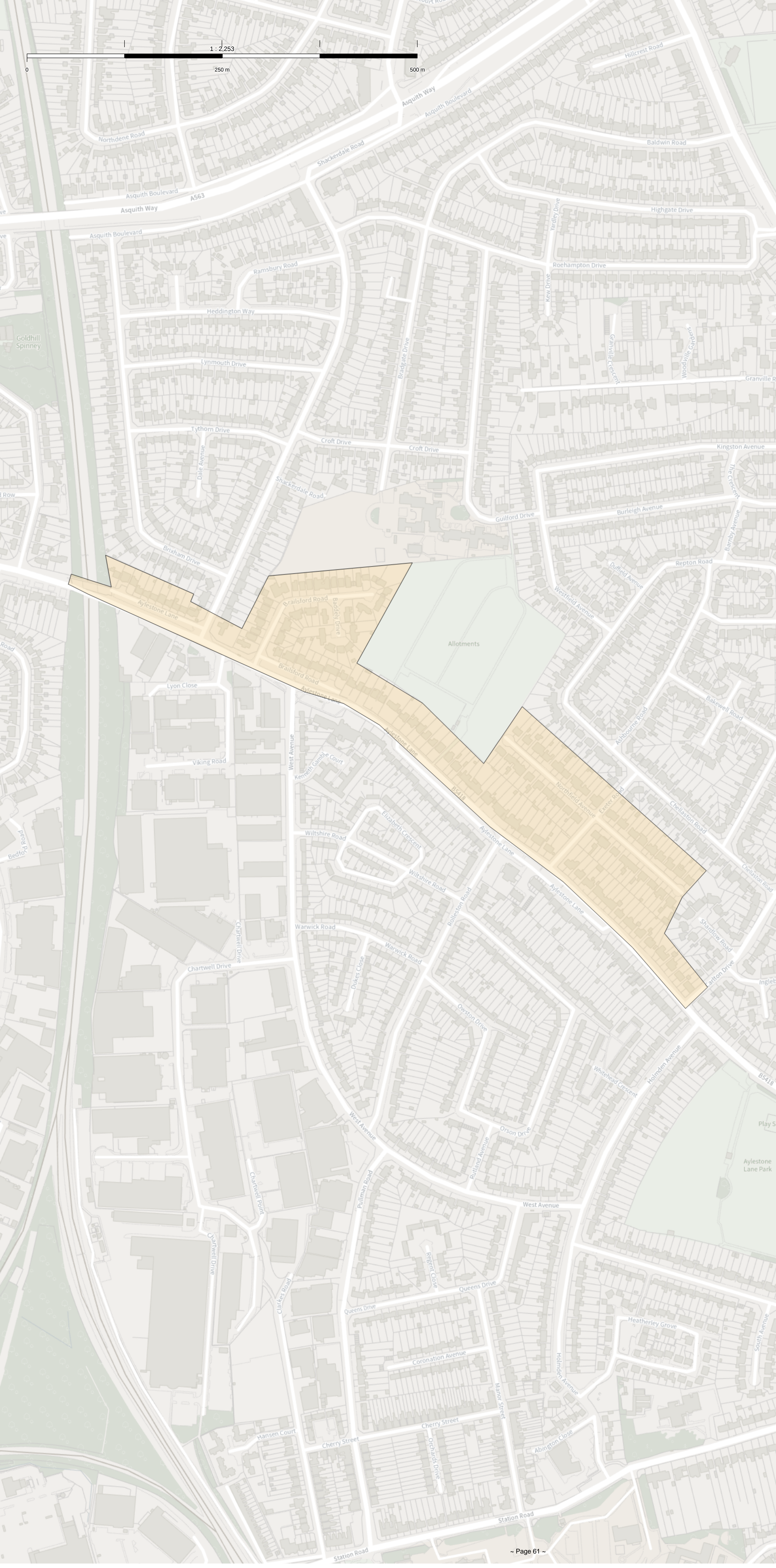
Property count: **1381**

Electorate count: **2585**

Polling stations:

- Bethel Evangelical Free Church

- Freer Community Centre (Double)



District P2

Ward:

Wigston Fields

County division:

South & West Wigston

Parliamentary boundary:

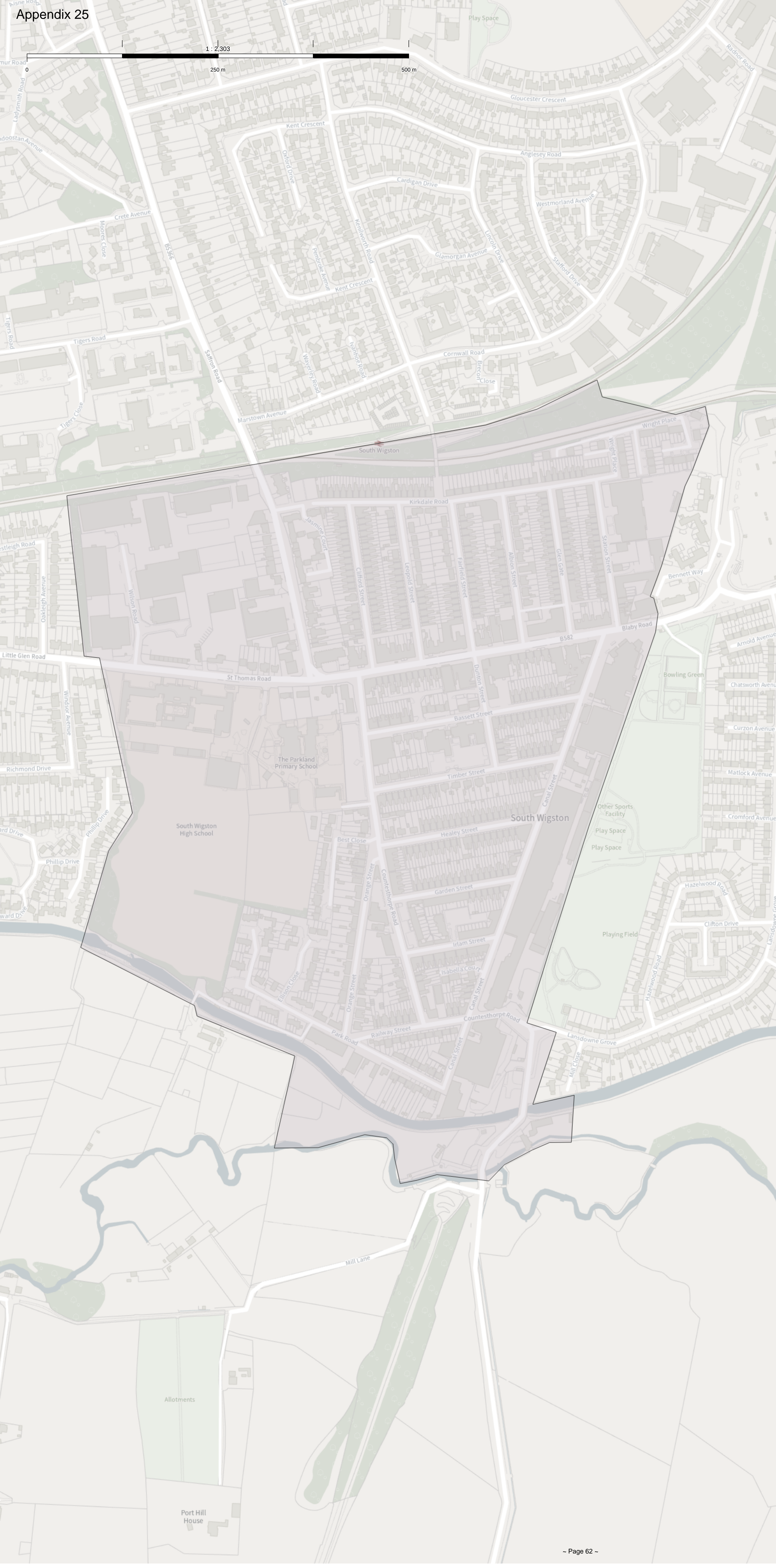
Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

Parish:

None

Property count: **196**

Electorate count: **361**



District Q

Ward:

South Wigston

County division:

South & West Wigston

Parliamentary boundary:

Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

Parish:

None

Property count: **1451**

Electorate count: **1982**

Polling stations:

- The Menphys Hub



District R

Ward:

South Wigston

County division:

South & West Wigston

Parliamentary boundary:

Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

Parish:

None

Property count: **1036**

Electorate count: **1651**

Polling stations:

- Blaby Road Park Pavilion



Ward:

County division:

County division:

South & West Wigston

Parliamentary boundary:

Harborough, Oadby & Wigston

Parish:

None

Property count: **1337**

Electorate count: **2421**

Polling stations:

**- Fairfield Community
Primary School**

ElectoralServices

From: Michael Charlesworth
Sent: 28 October 2023 10:13
To: ElectoralServices
Cc: Lee Bentley; Gary Hunt
Subject: Re: Review of Polling Districts, Places and Stations (2023)

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

Hi

The 3 All Saints Cllrs appreciate the need to relocate the polling station which was based at the Elms. However, we feel that the proposed school or the church is too far from the current location and would not benefit anyone at election time. We feel there are several places towards Wigston town centre which would be preferred, these are Peace Park Pavilion, All Saints school or the united reform church.

Thank you

Cllr Michael Charlesworth

ElectoralServices

From: Jeffrey Kaufman
Sent: 31 October 2023 15:22
To: ElectoralServices
Cc: Latif Darr
Subject: Brocks Hill Ward Polling Station

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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While I think it is a big improvement to substitute Brocks Hill School for Parklands as a polling station. Has Devonshire Court Royal Masonic Home been approached to use their premises? The use of these premises would avoid the possible necessity to close a school for polling purposes.

Both venues are better than Parklands

Yours

Councillor Jeffrey Kaufman
Oadby Brocks Hill War

ElectoralServices

From: Latif Darr
Sent: 31 October 2023 16:24
To: ElectoralServices
Subject: Re: Review of Polling Districts, Places and Stations (2023)

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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I agree with Jeffrey Kaufman's suggestion regarding changes in Brockshill Ward Polling District.

Councillor Latif Darr
Brockshill Ward