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Infiltration SuDS Map

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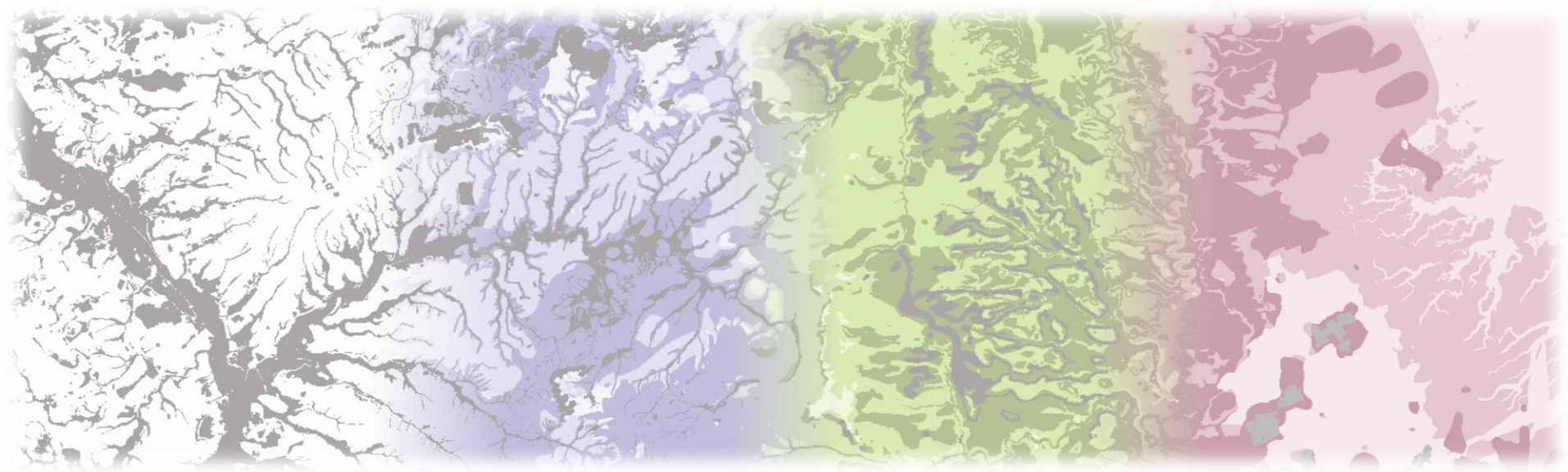
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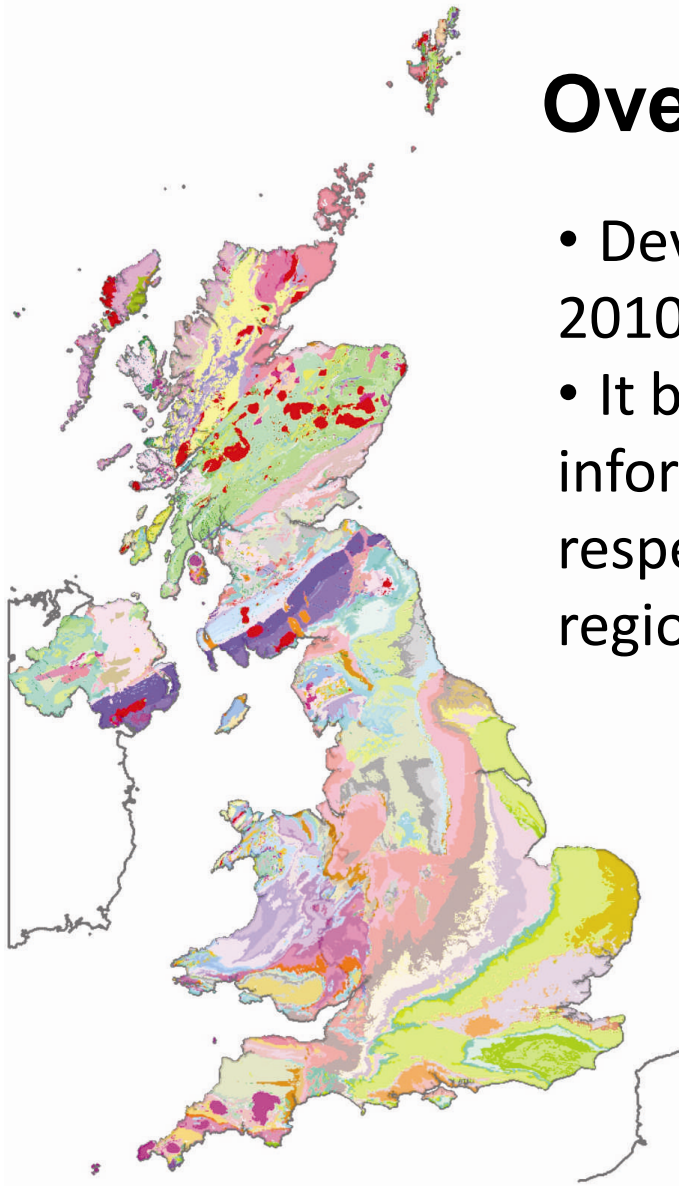
Infiltration SuDS Map

A national map that provides the information necessary to assess the suitability of the subsurface for infiltration SuDS

Overview

- Developed internally within BGS between 2010-2012 and released in February this year
- It brings together a wealth of subsurface information to help decision making with respect to infiltration SuDS at both local and regional scale.

- Made ground
- Susceptibility to groundwater flooding
- Superficial deposit permeability
- Superficial deposit thickness
- Bedrock permeability
- Depth to water table
- Geo. indicators of flooding
- Soluble rocks
- Landslides
- Shallow mining (non-coal)
- Collapsible ground
- Compressible ground
- Running sand
- Swelling clays
- Predominant aquifer flow mechanism
- Groundwater source protection zones



Who is it for?

- For those involved with the assessment of the ground for infiltration SuDS (developers, planners, consultants)
- For local authority SuDS Approval Bodies

Soakaway



Wetland



Infiltration basin



Permeable paving



Which would you choose?



Infiltration SuDS and ground compatibility



Key questions...



1. Are there any significant constraints that should be considered?
2. What is the drainage potential of the ground?
3. Are there any ground stability considerations?
4. Is groundwater likely to be susceptible to a deterioration in quality?



Infiltration SuDS Map structure

Step 1 Infiltration constraints

- Soluble rocks
- Landslide hazards
- Shallow mining
- Shallow groundwater
- Made ground

Infiltration constraints
summary

Step 2 Drainage

- Depth to water table
- Superficial permeability
- Superficial thickness
- Bedrock permeability
- Geological indicators of flooding

Drainage summary

Step 3 Stability

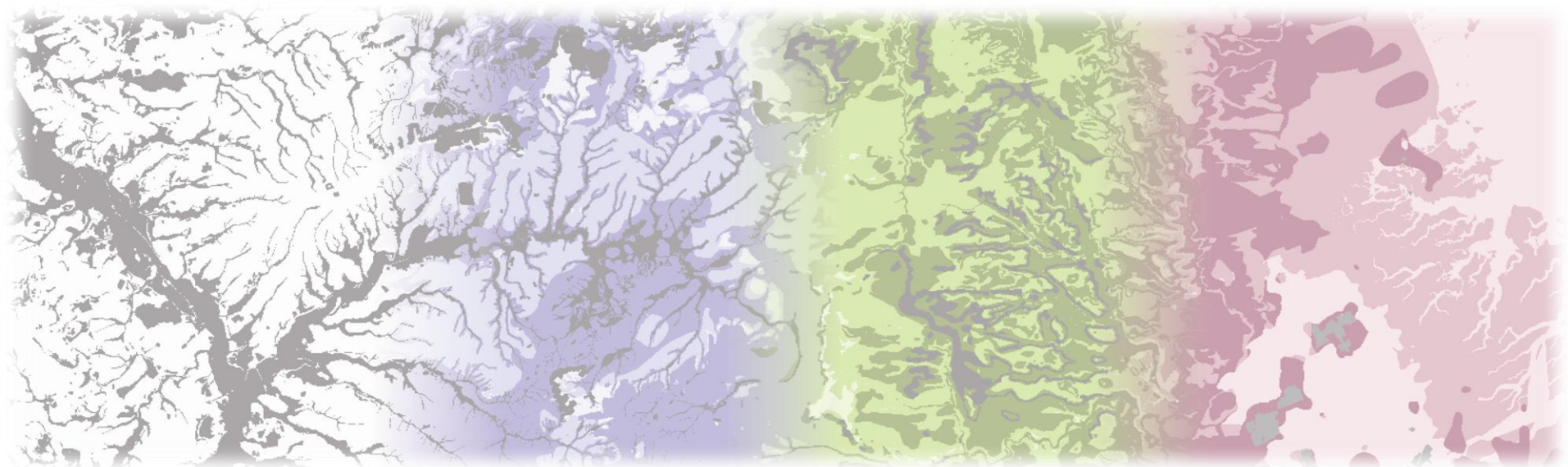
- Soluble rocks
- Landslide hazards
- Mining hazards
- Compressible ground
- Swelling clays
- Running sand
- Collapsible ground

Ground stability summary

Step 4 Groundwater protection

- Groundwater Source Protection zones
- Aquifer predominant flow mechanism
- Made ground

Groundwater protection
summary



Infiltration SuDS Map: Detailed

Intended for use at a local scale to determine the suitability of the subsurface for infiltration SuDS

Infiltration SuDS Map GIS window

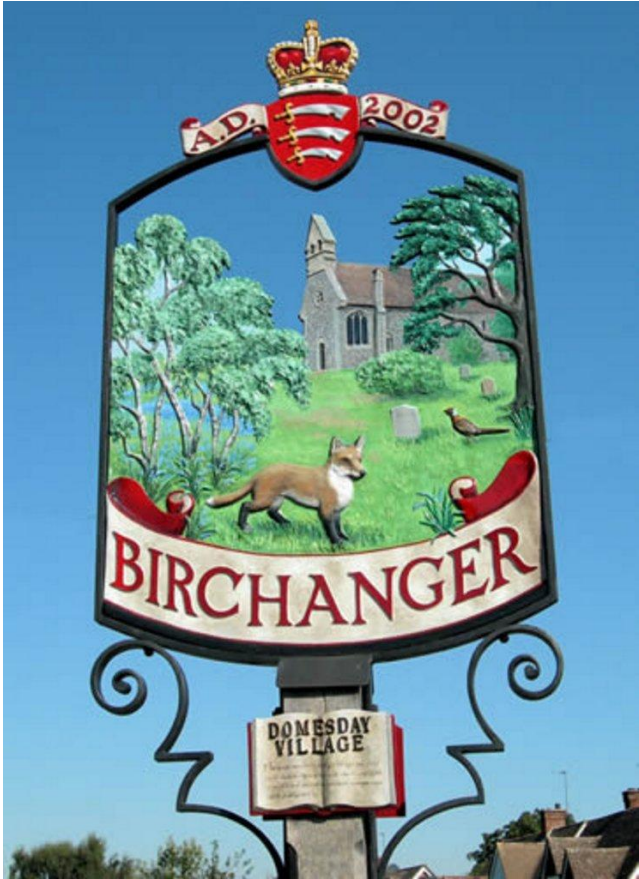
GIS window

- Step 1: Infiltration constraints
 - Summary map
 - Soluble rocks
 - Landslides
 - Made ground
 - Mining hazards
 - Shallow groundwater
- Step 2: Will it drain?
 - Summary map
 - Depth to water table
 - Superficial thickness
 - Superficial permeability
 - Bedrock permeability
 - Geological indicators of flooding
- Step 3: Will it be stable?
 - Summary map
 - Soluble rocks
 - Landslides
 - Compressible ground
 - Collapsible ground
 - Shrink-swell clays
 - Shallow (non-coal) mining
- Step 4: Groundwater quality
 - Summary map
 - Source protection zone class
 - Predominant flow mechanism
 - Made ground

Map window

Summary map for spatial assessment

Component maps provide data on specific subsurface properties



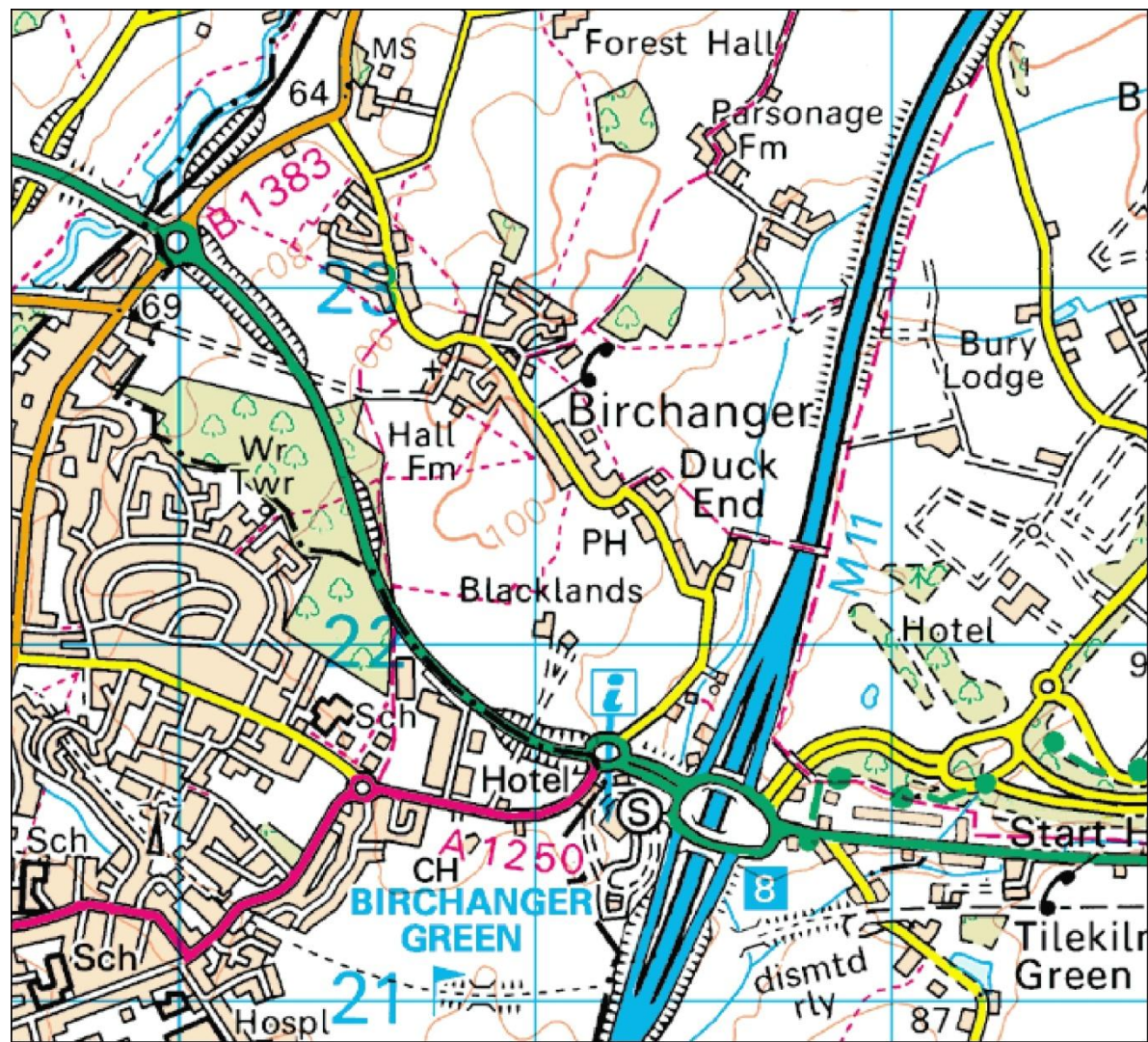
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Infiltration SuDS constraints

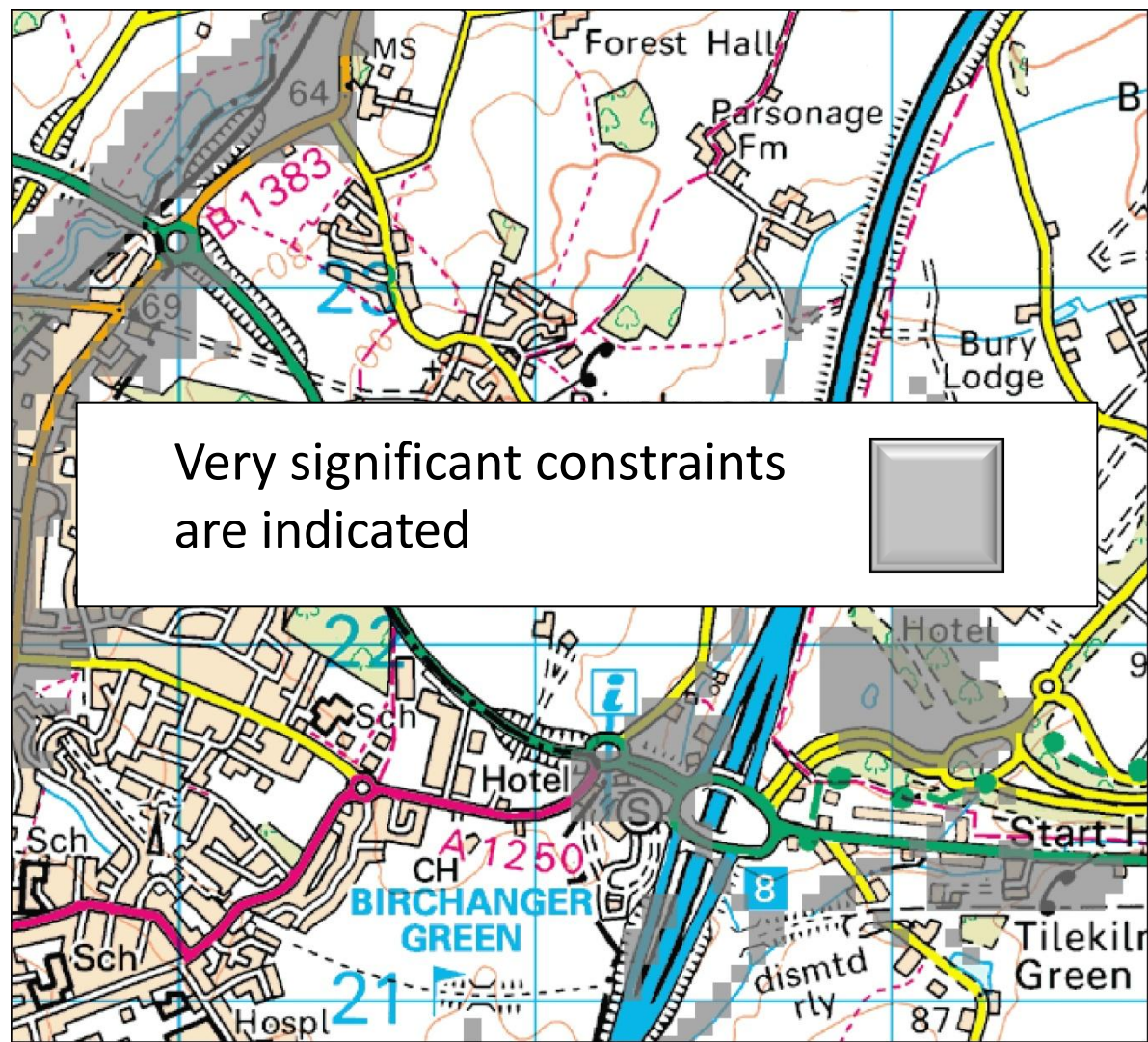
Infiltration constraints summary

- Soluble rock constraints
- Landslide constraints
- Shallow mining constraints
- Shallow gw constraints
- Made ground constraints

Infiltration SuDS Drainage

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Soluble rock constraints

Landslide constraints

Shallow mining constraints

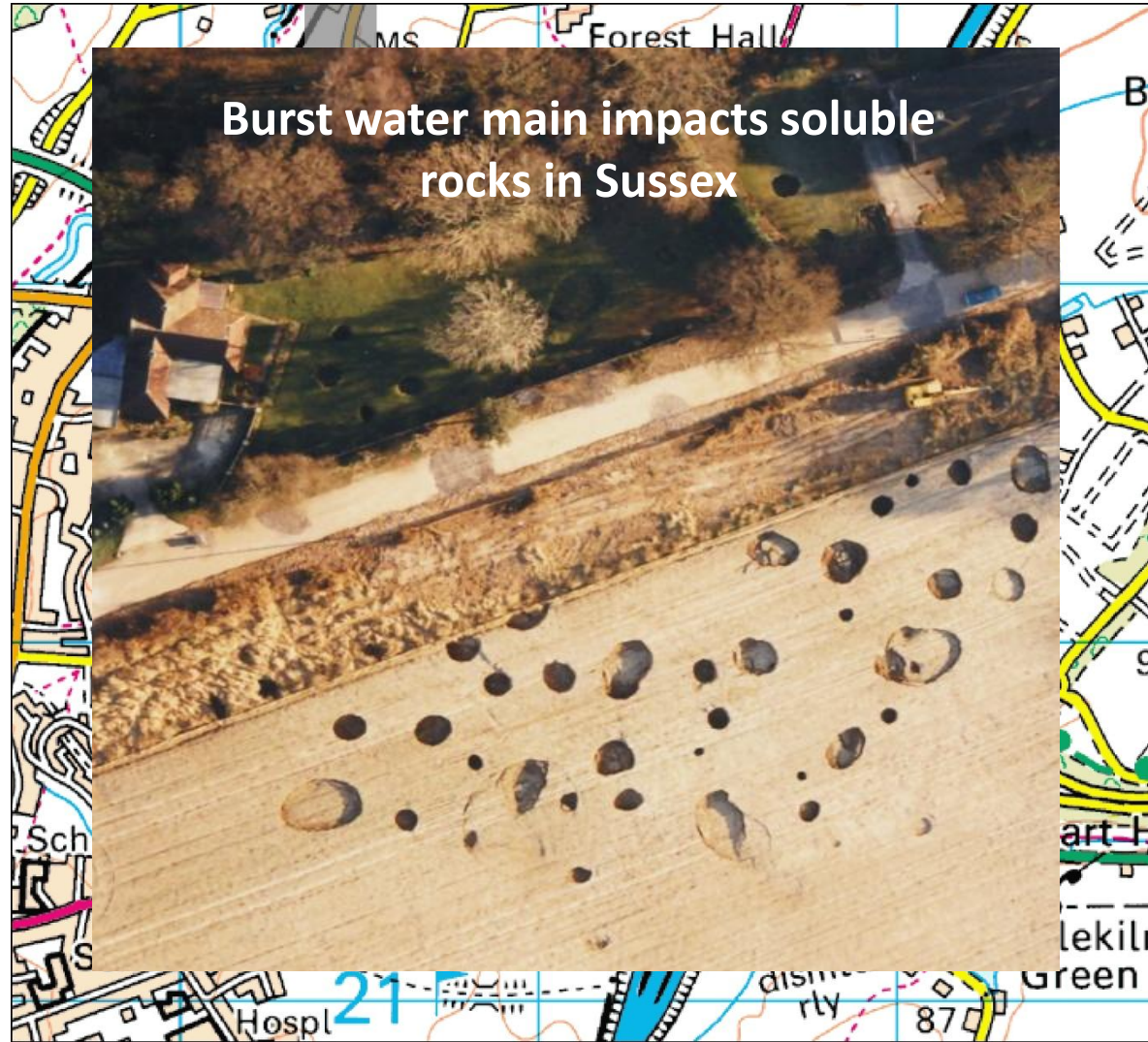
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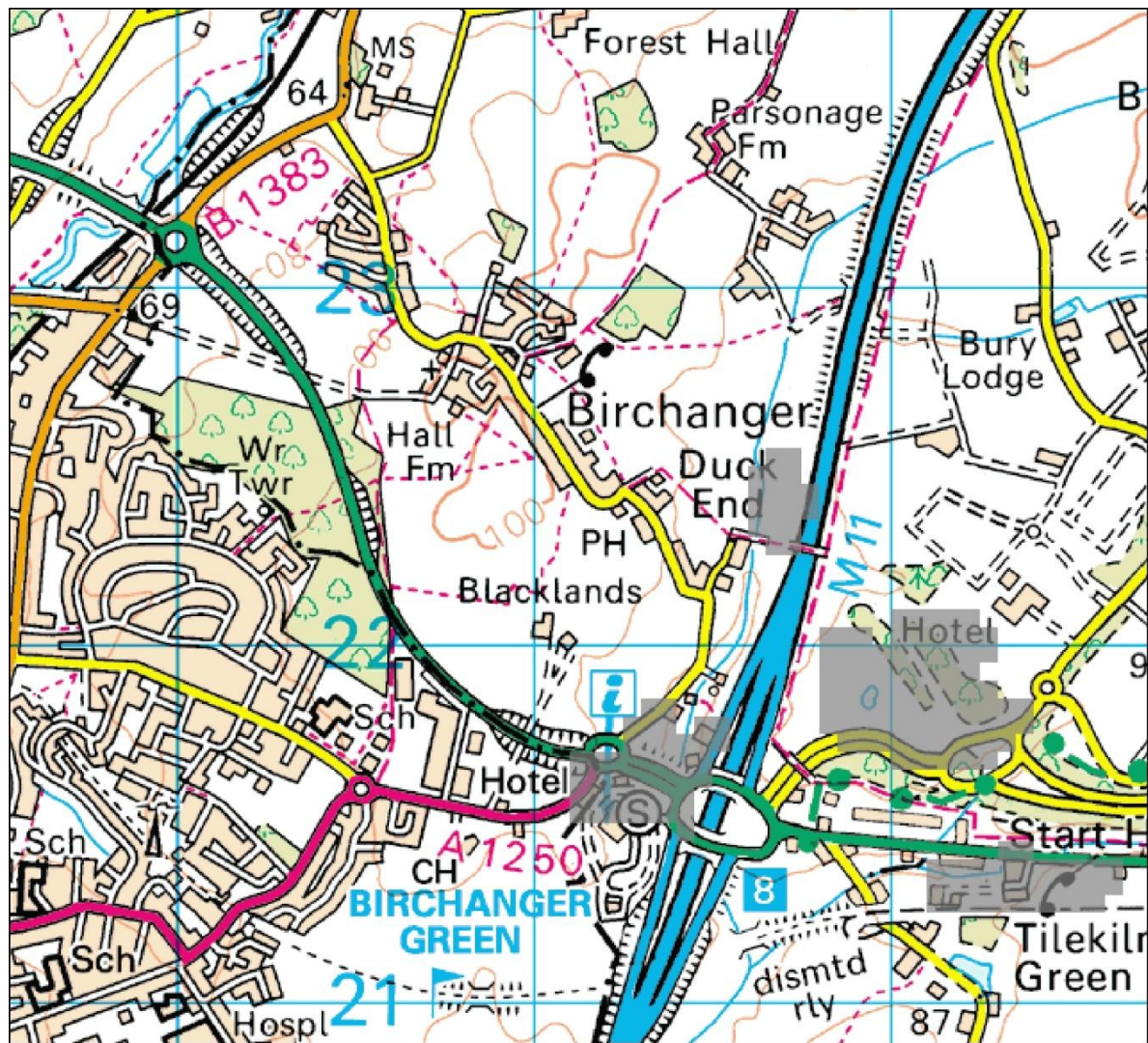
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Depth to groundwater

Sup. deposit permeability

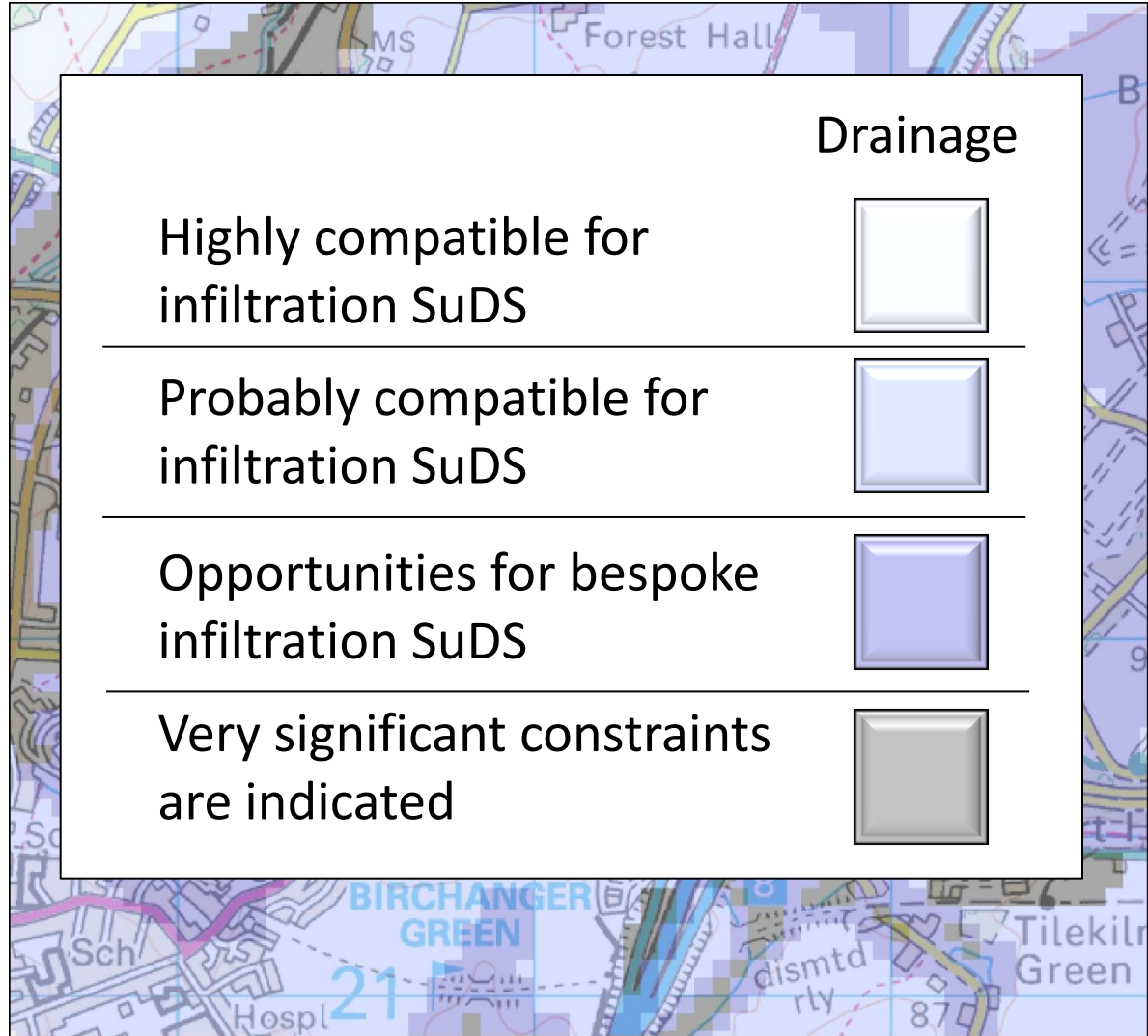
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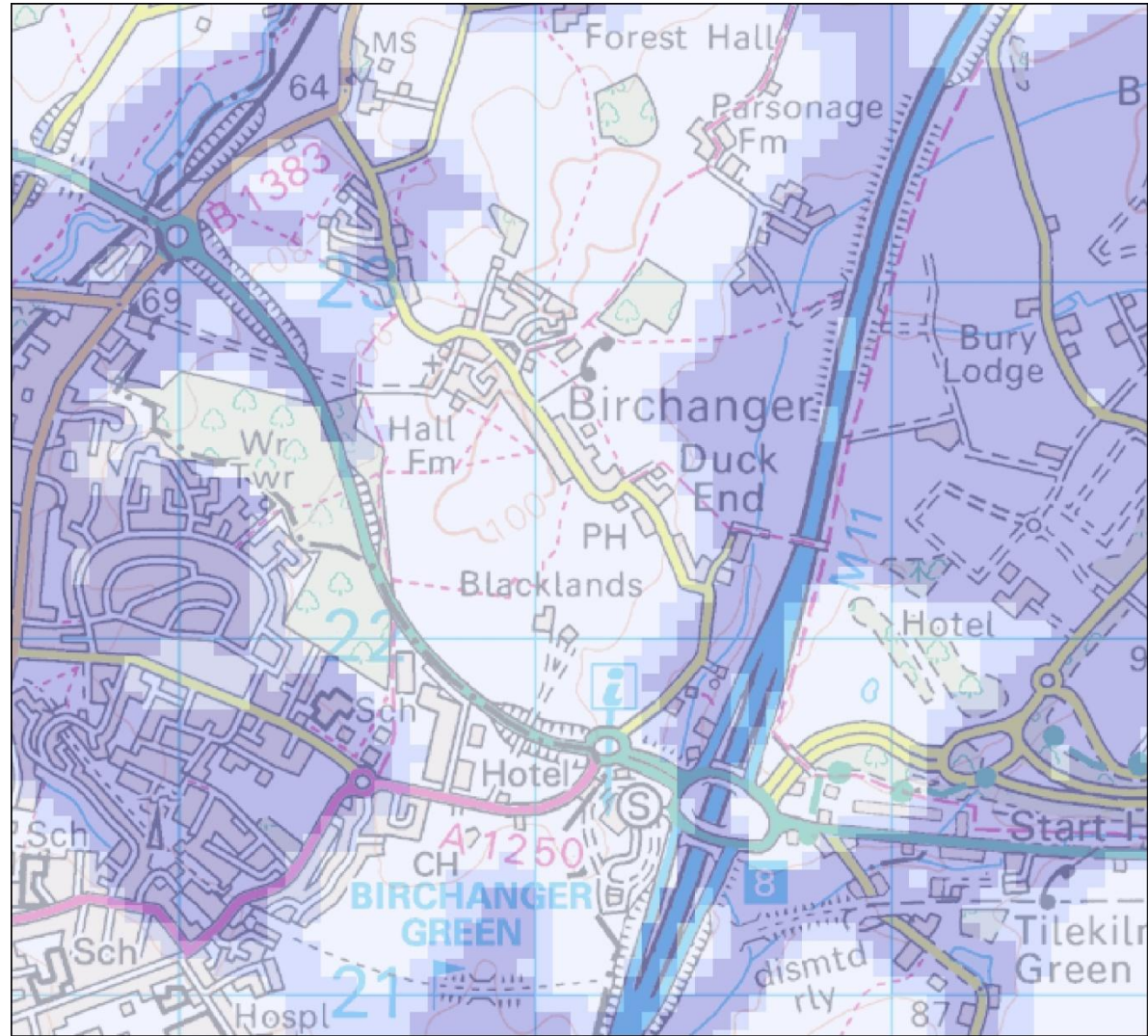
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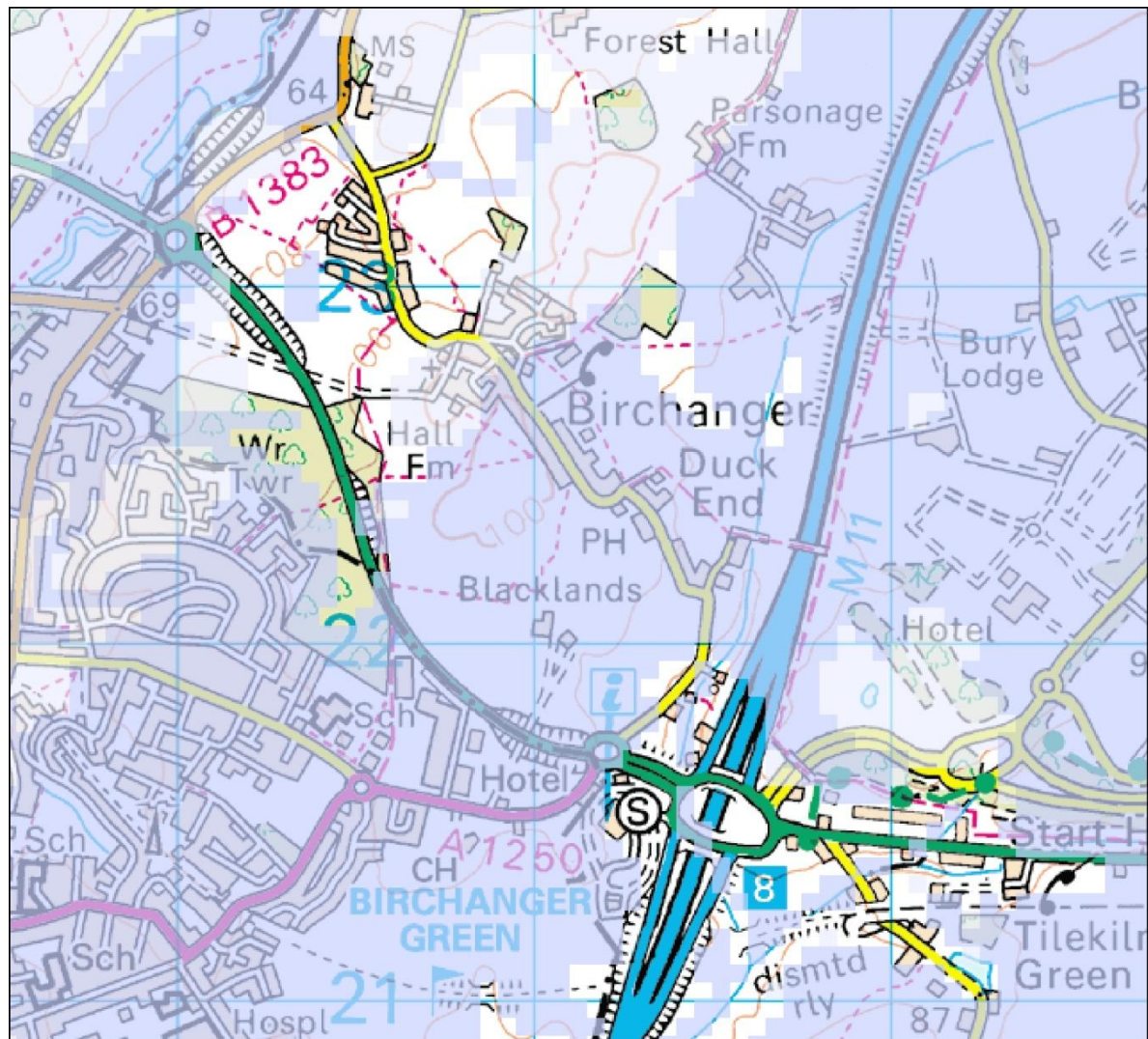
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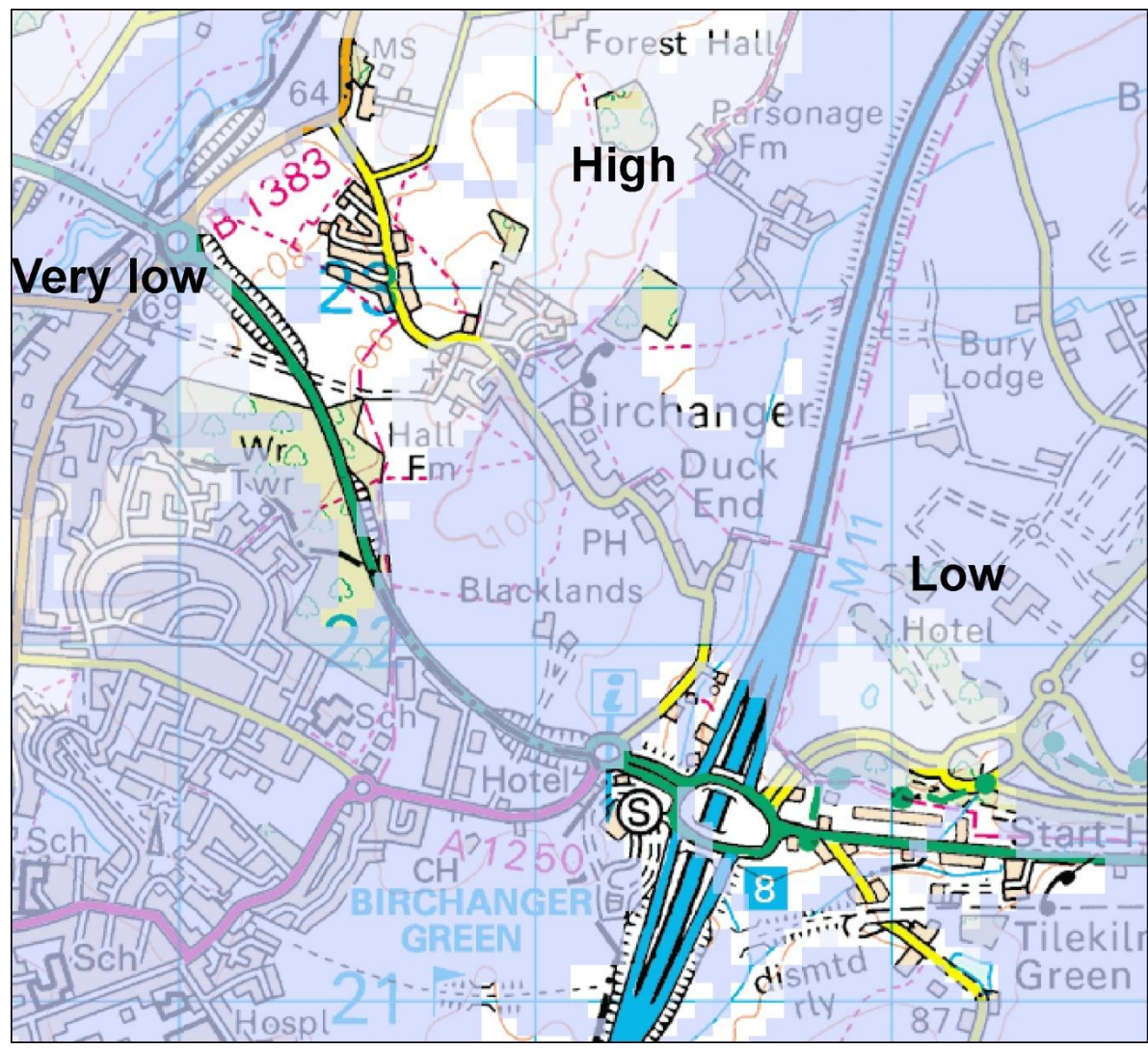
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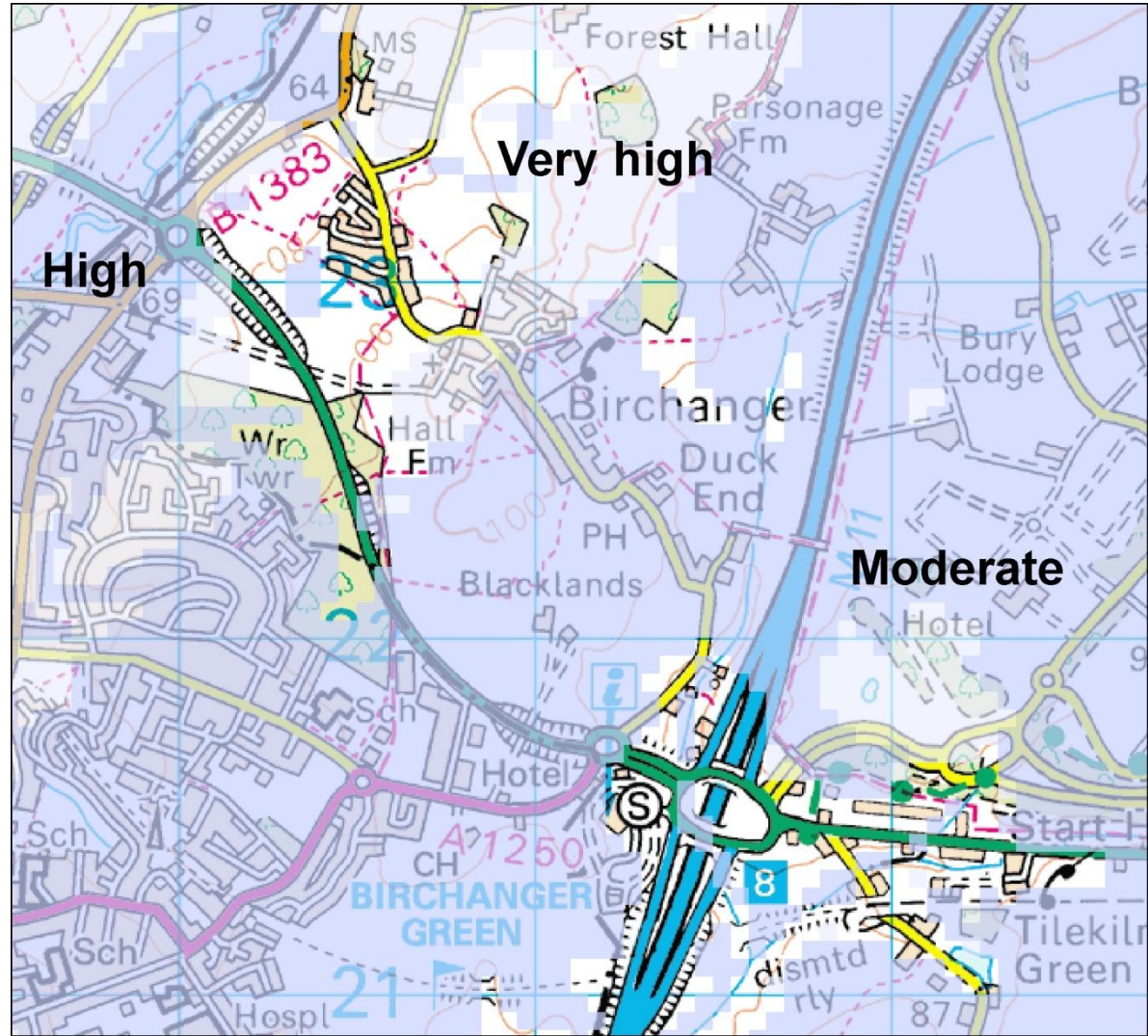
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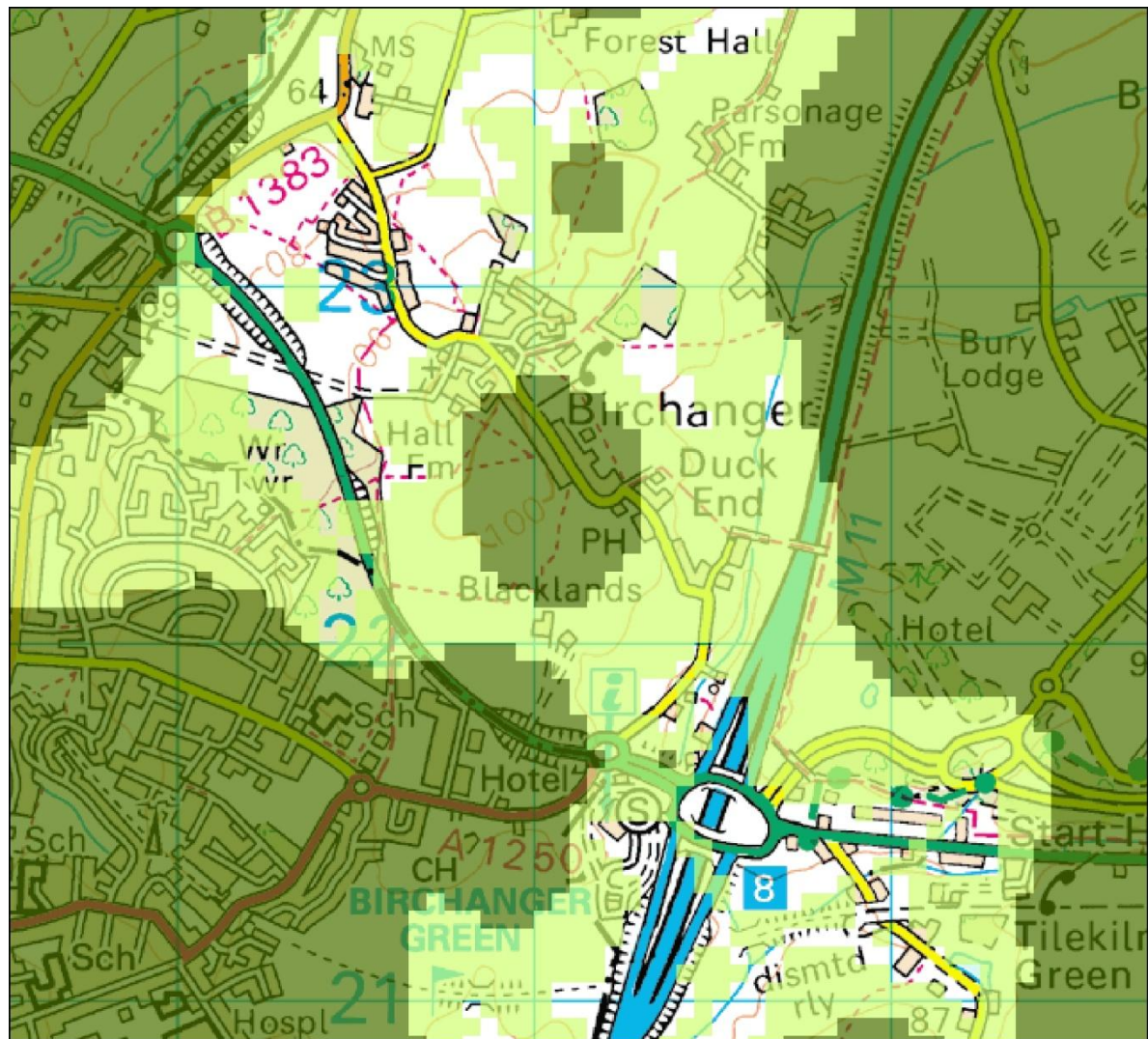
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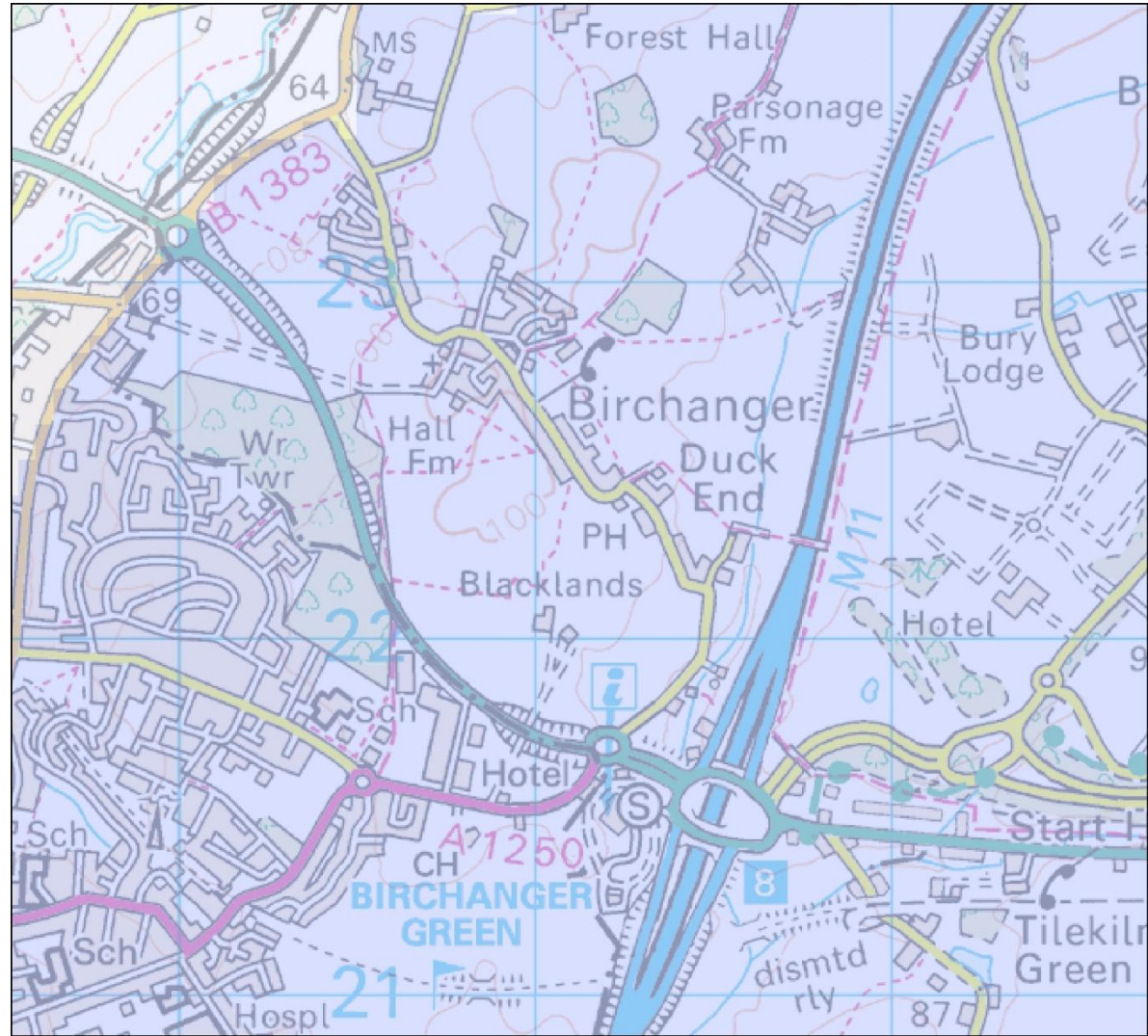
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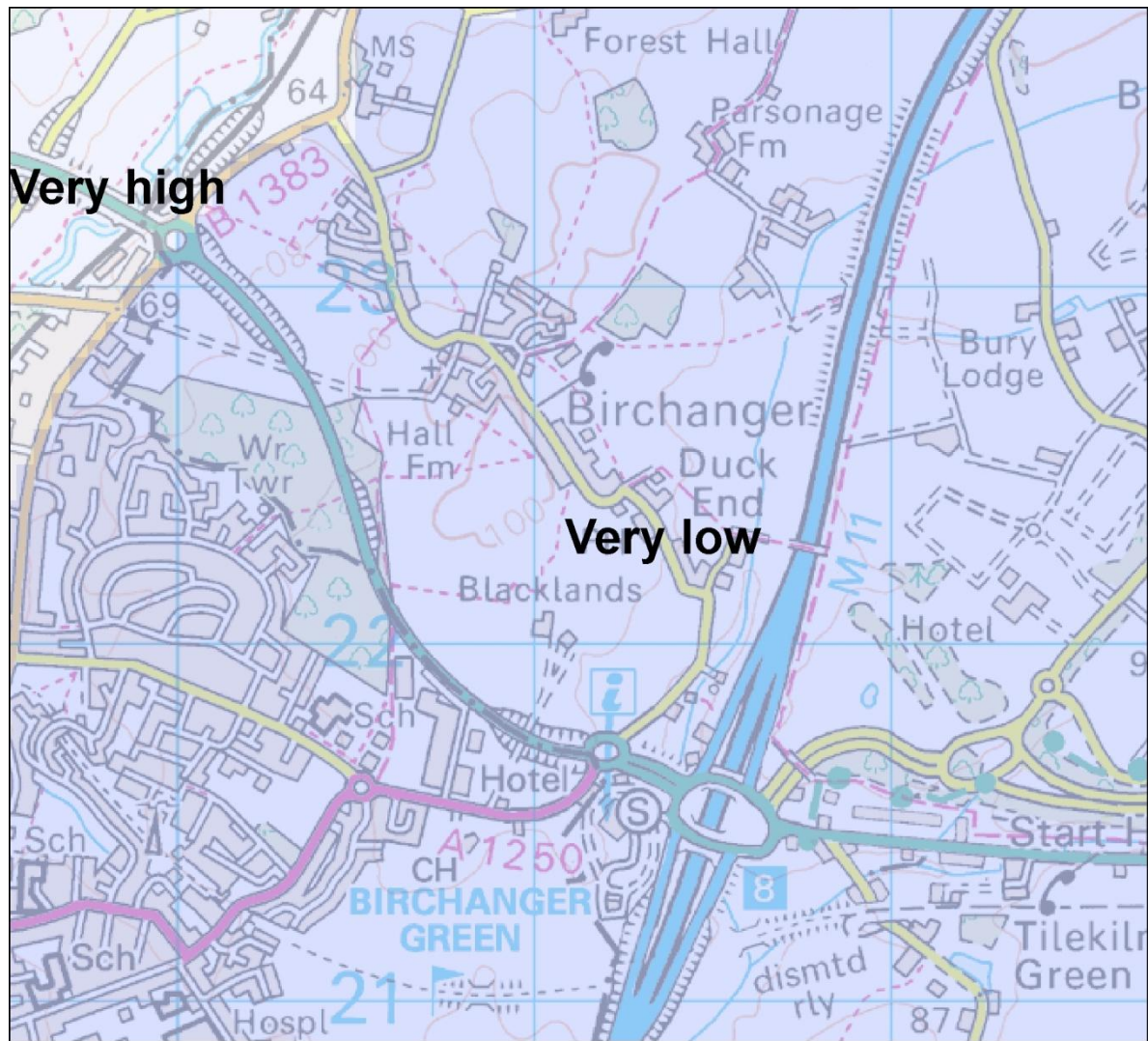
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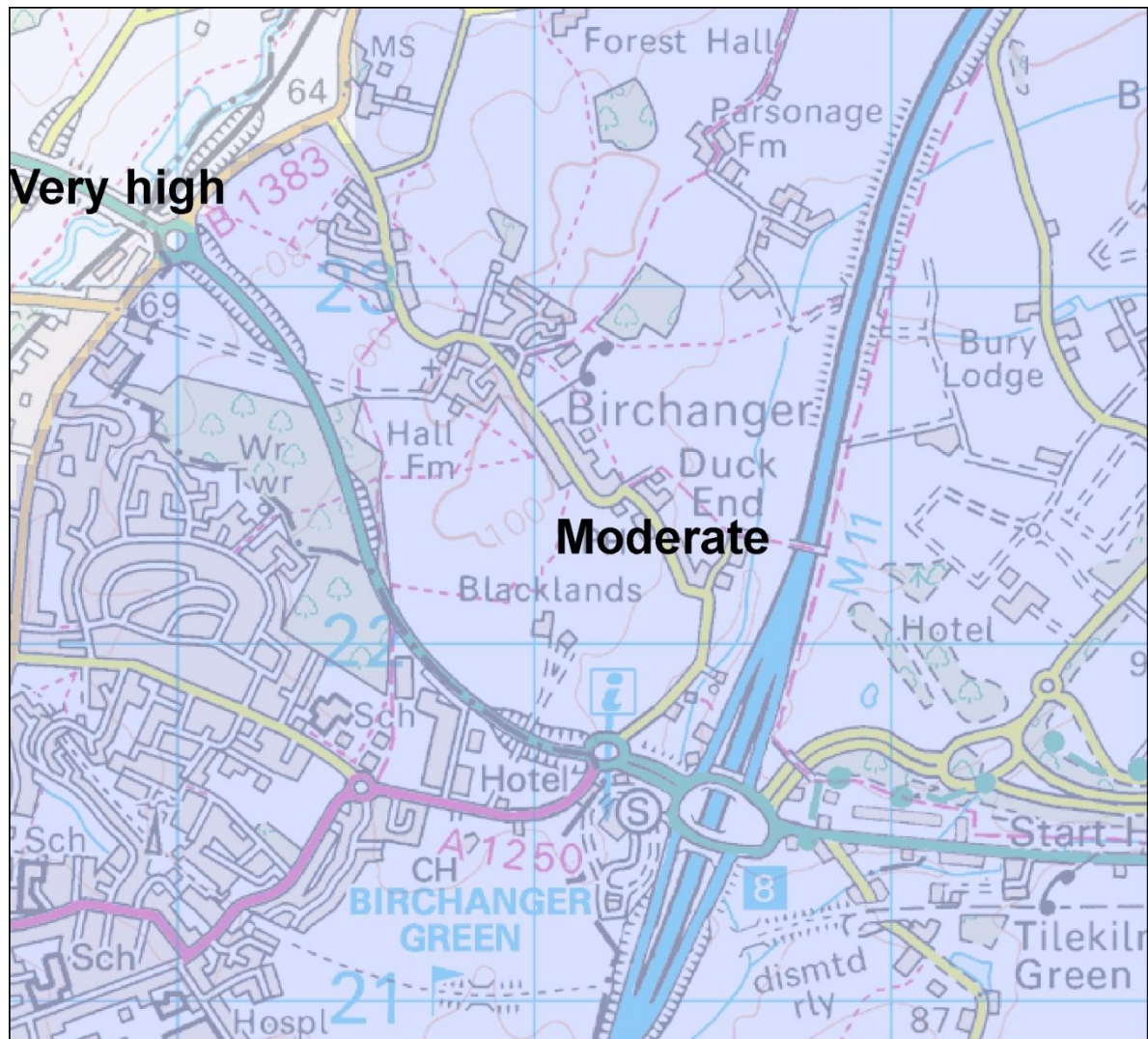
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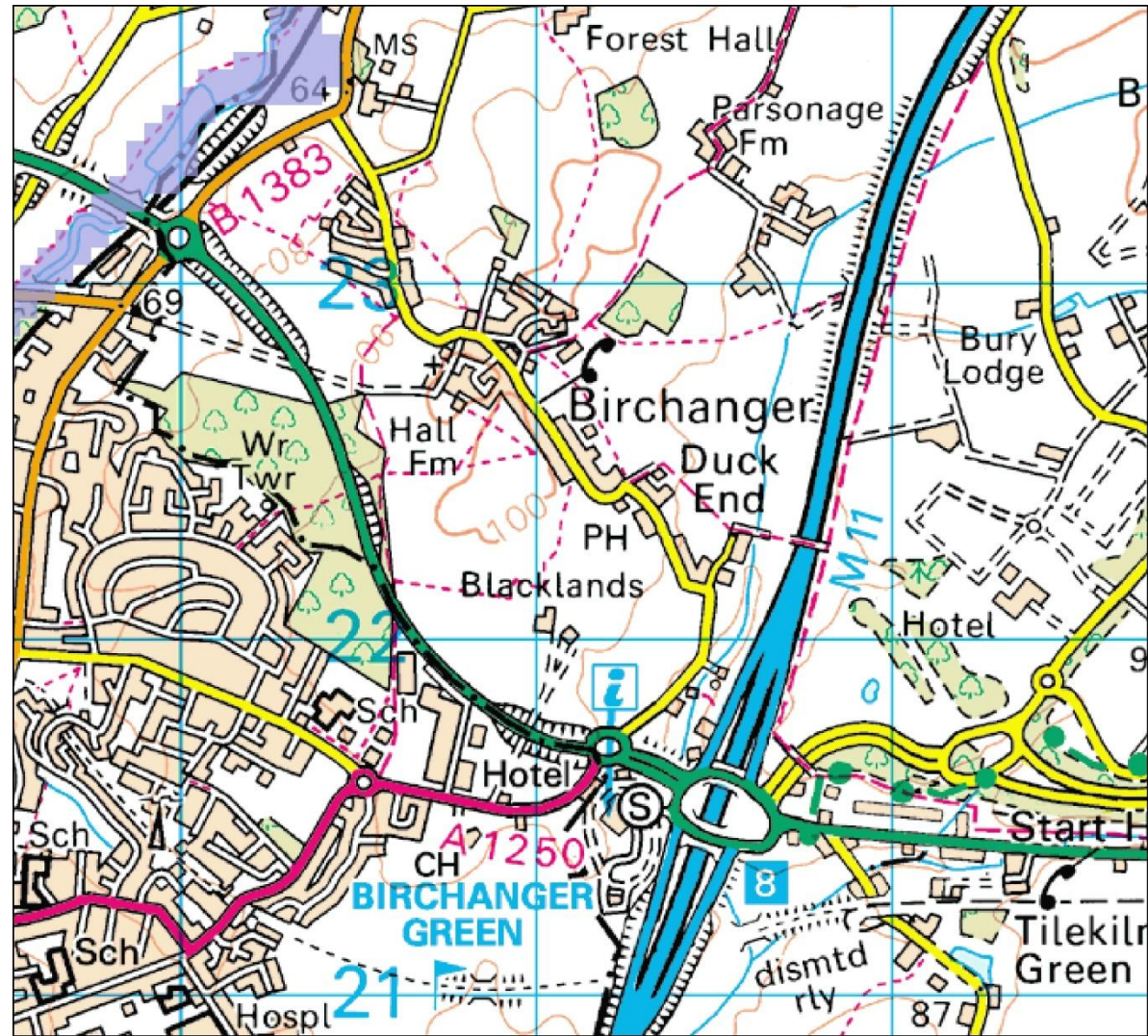
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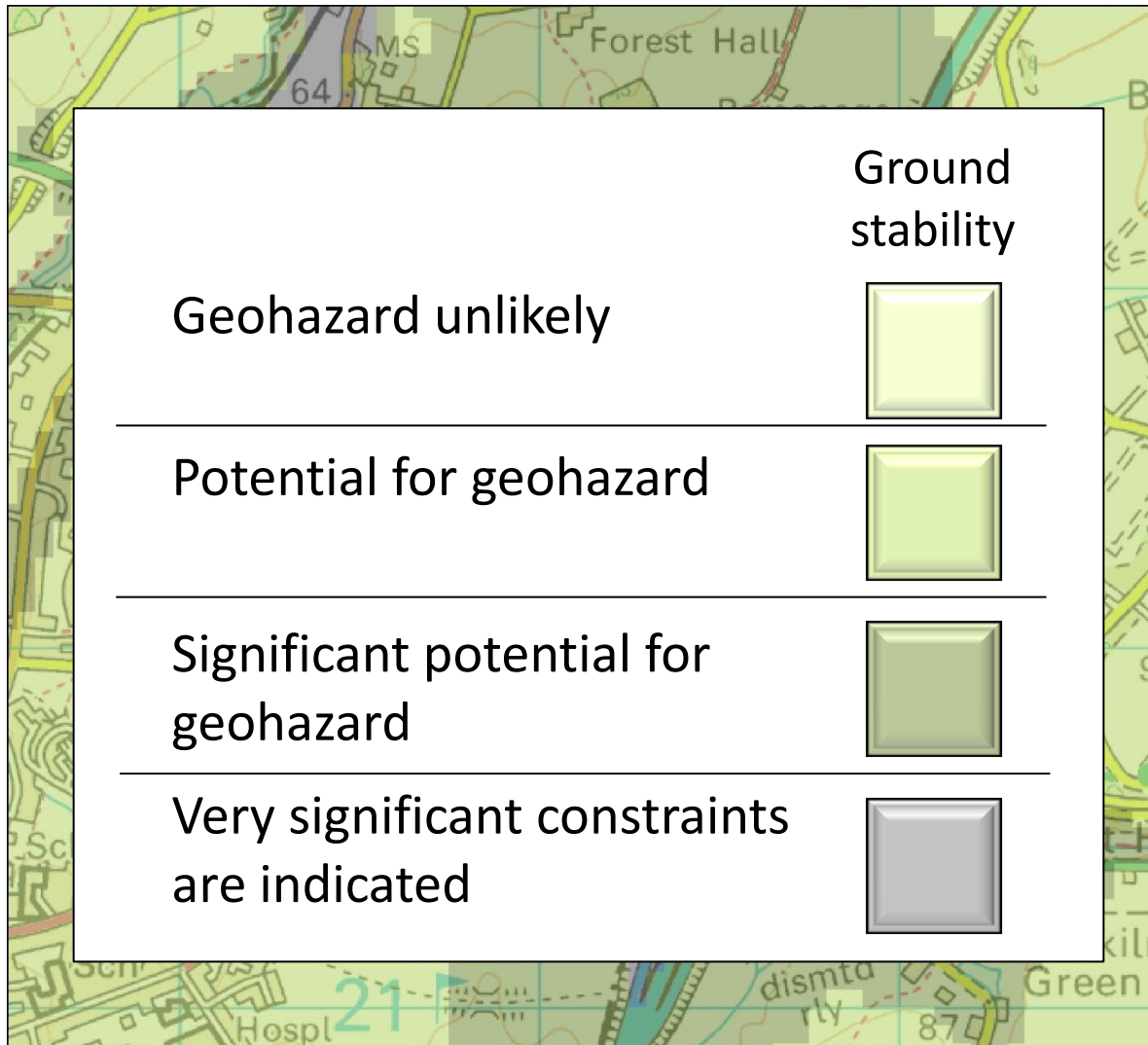
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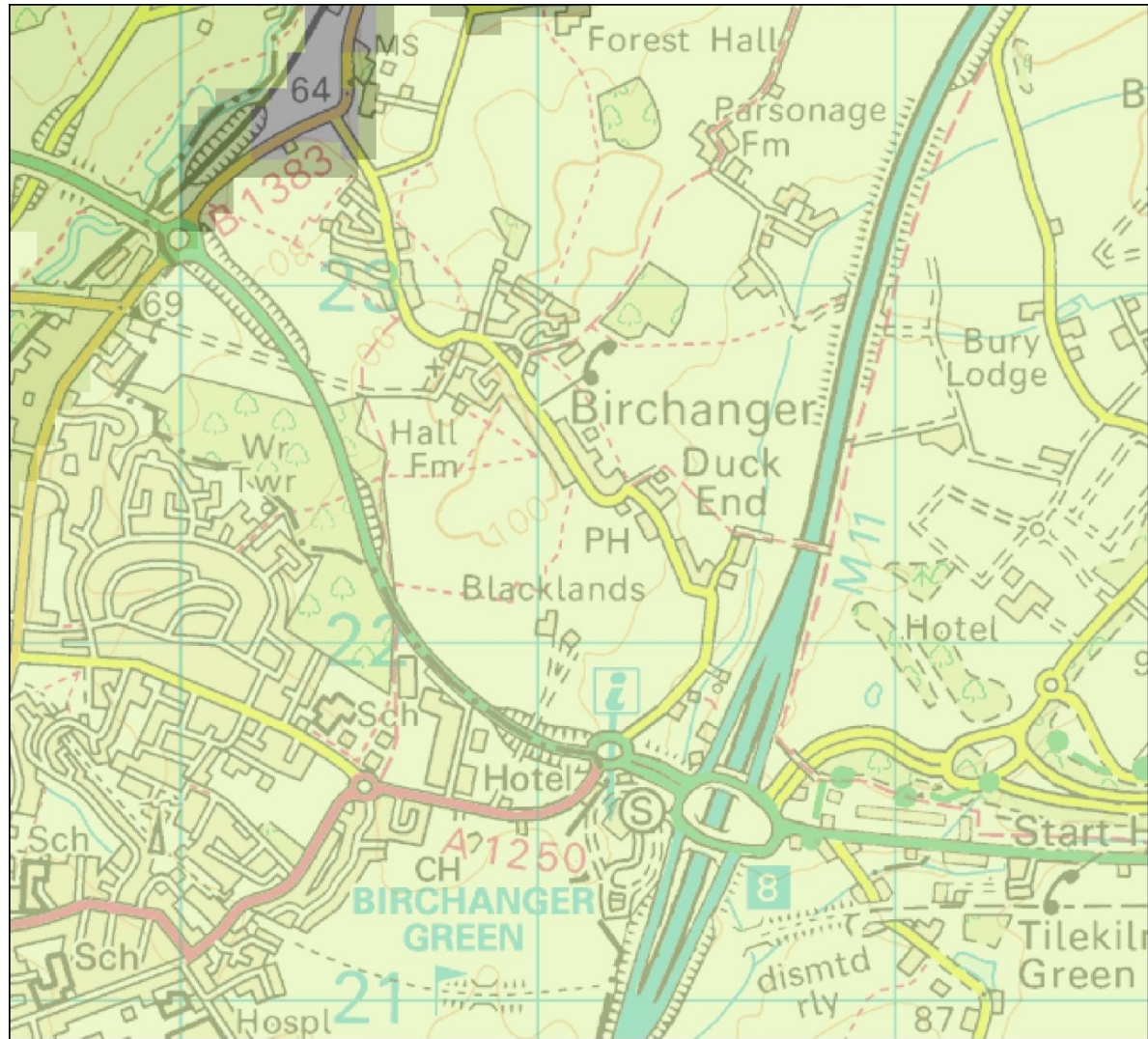
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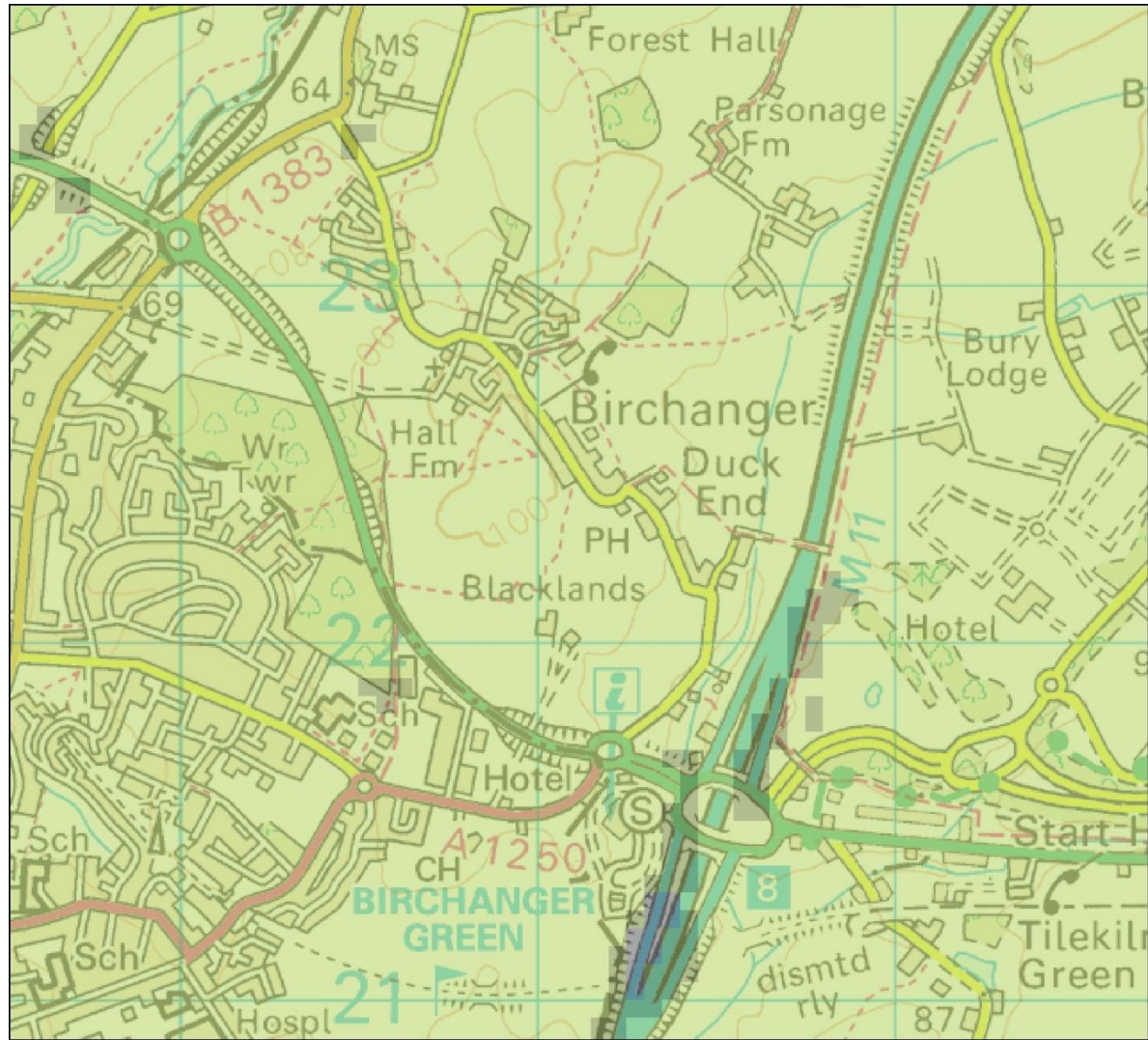
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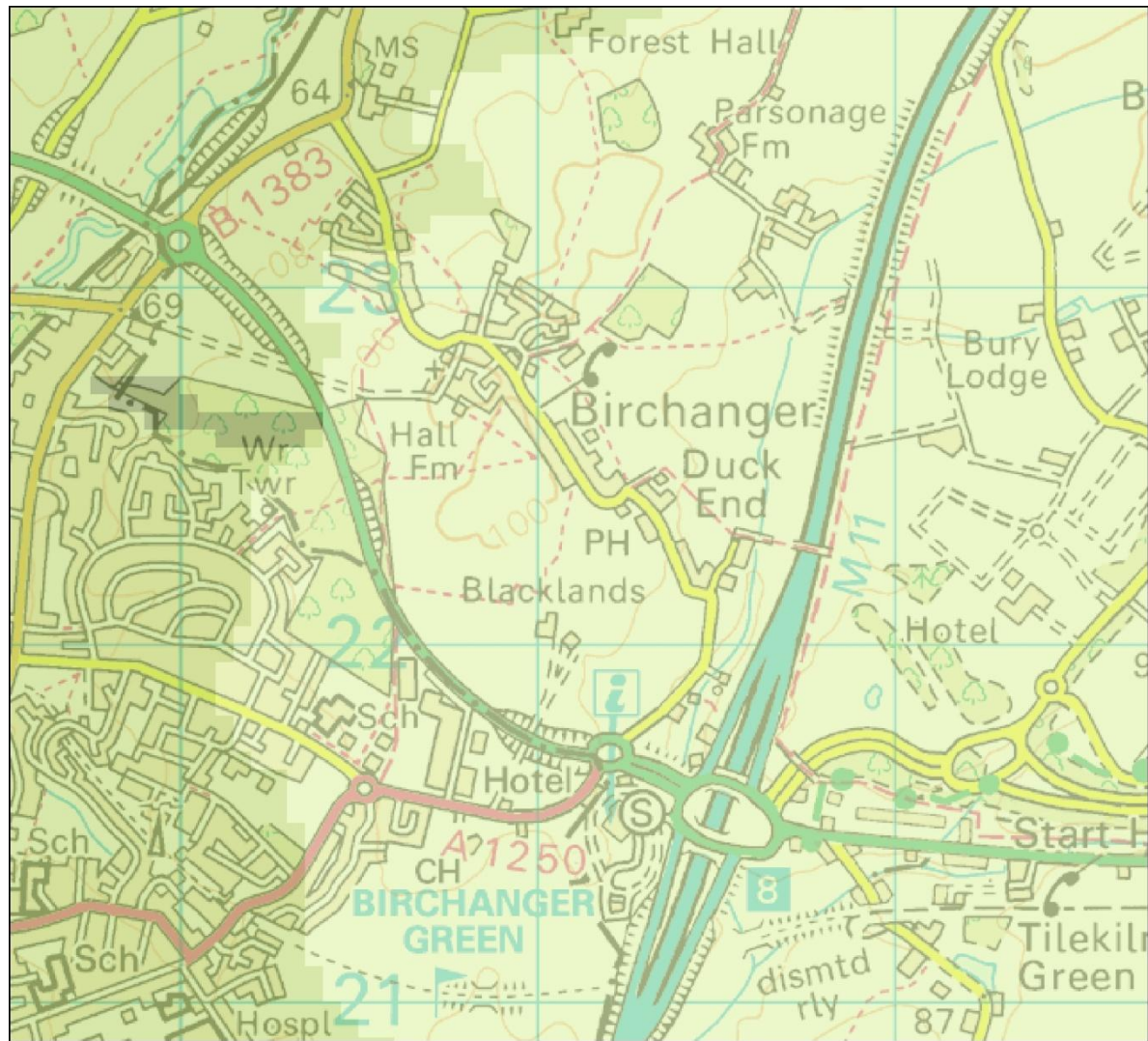
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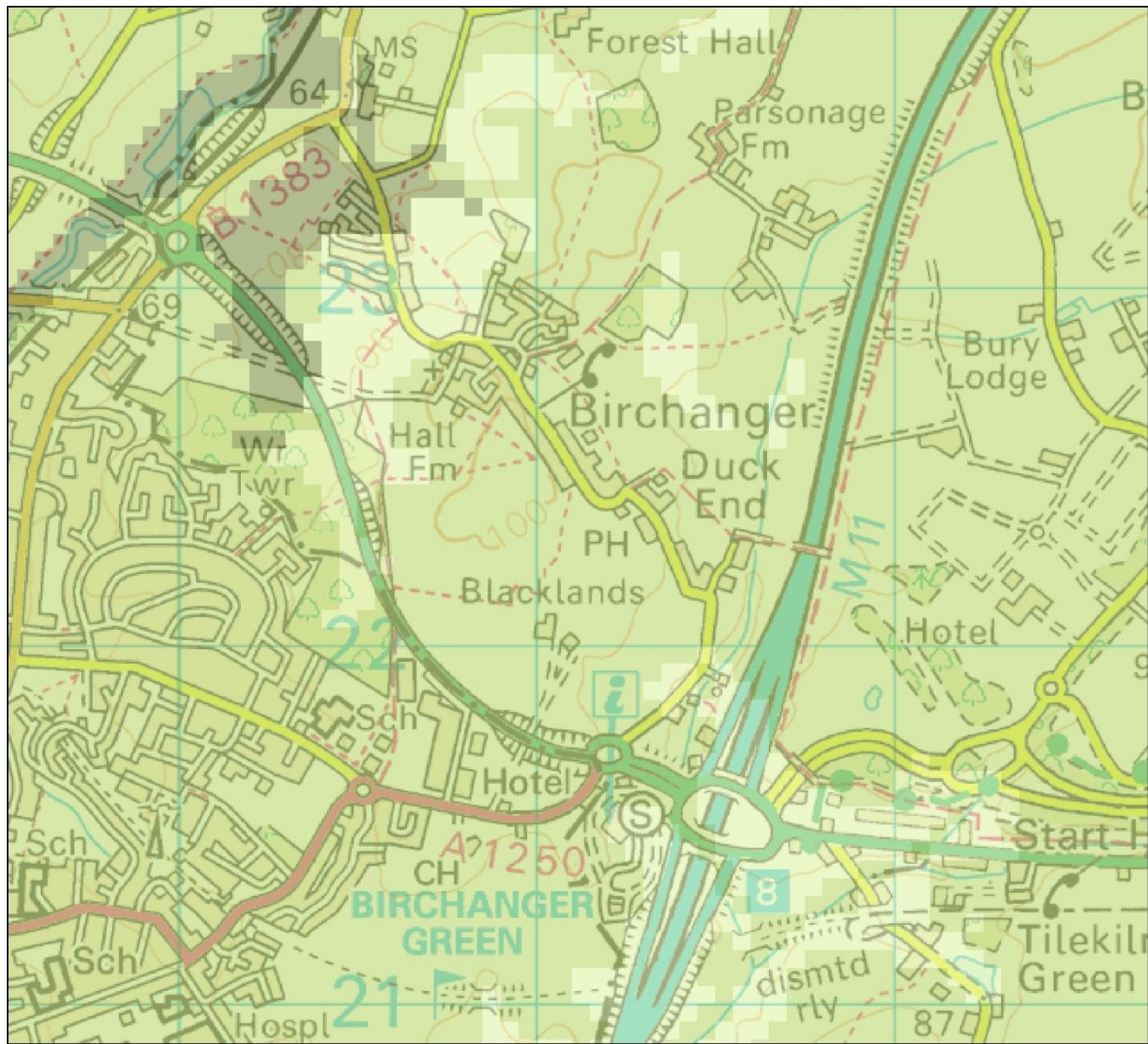
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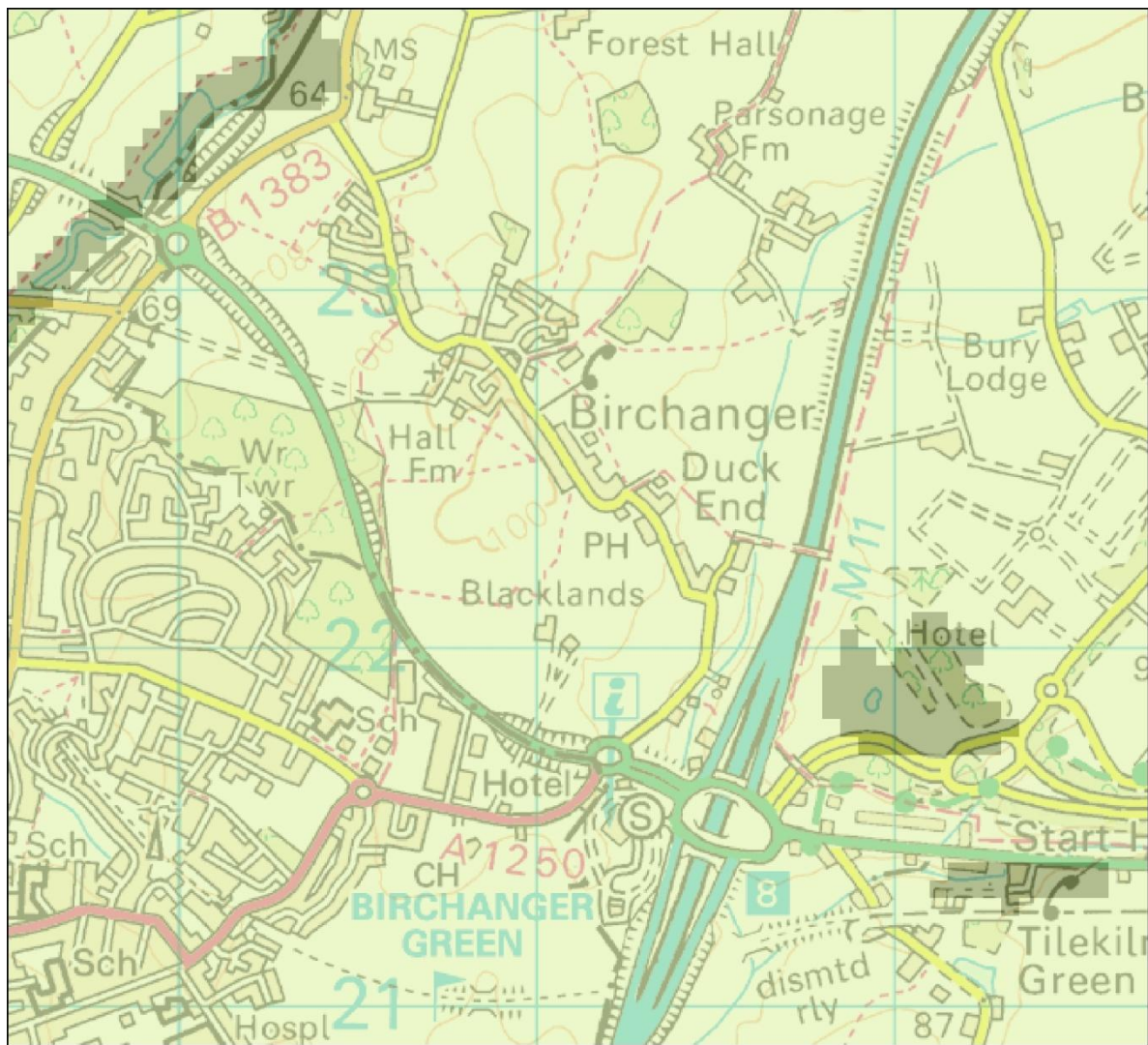
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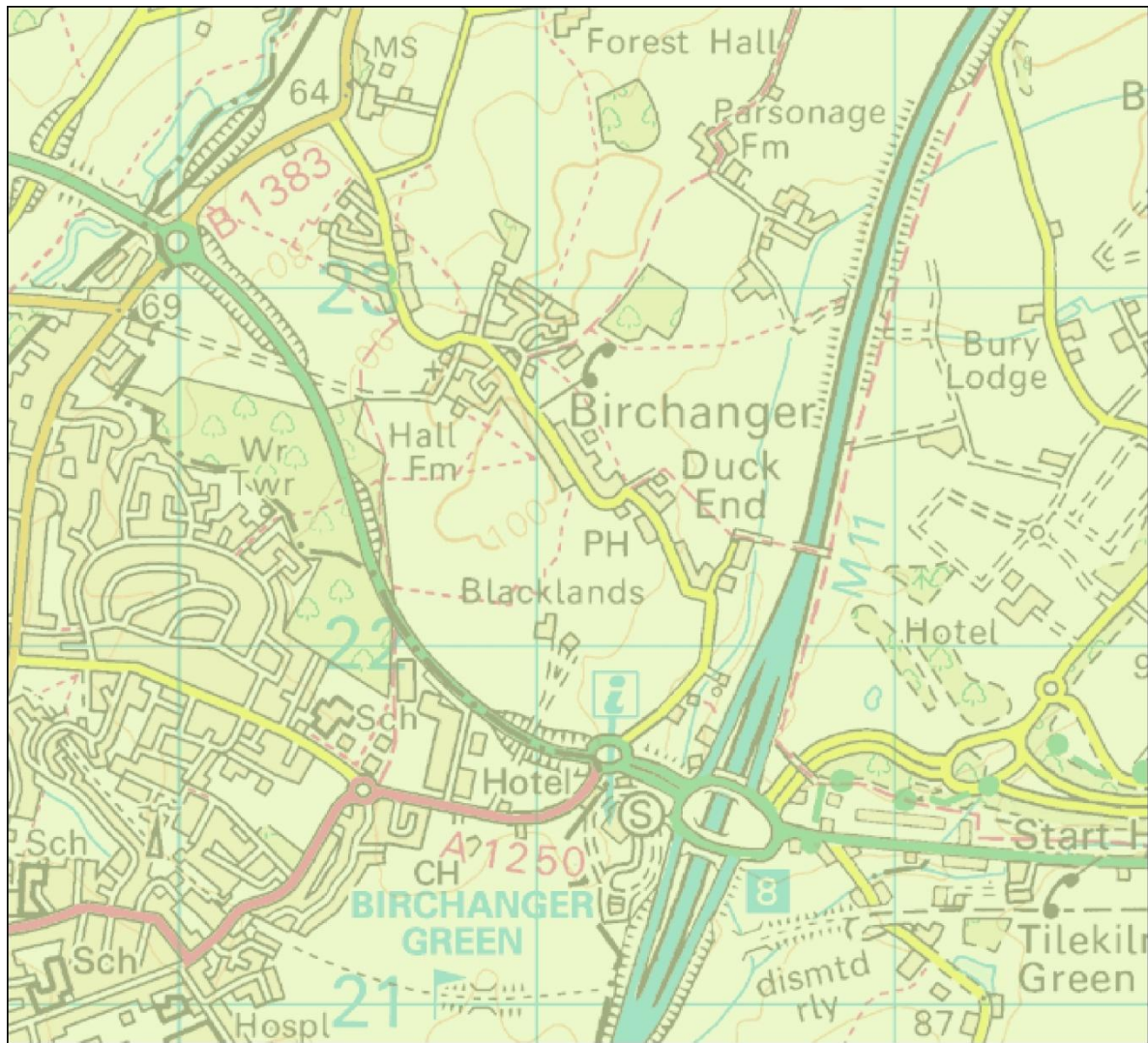
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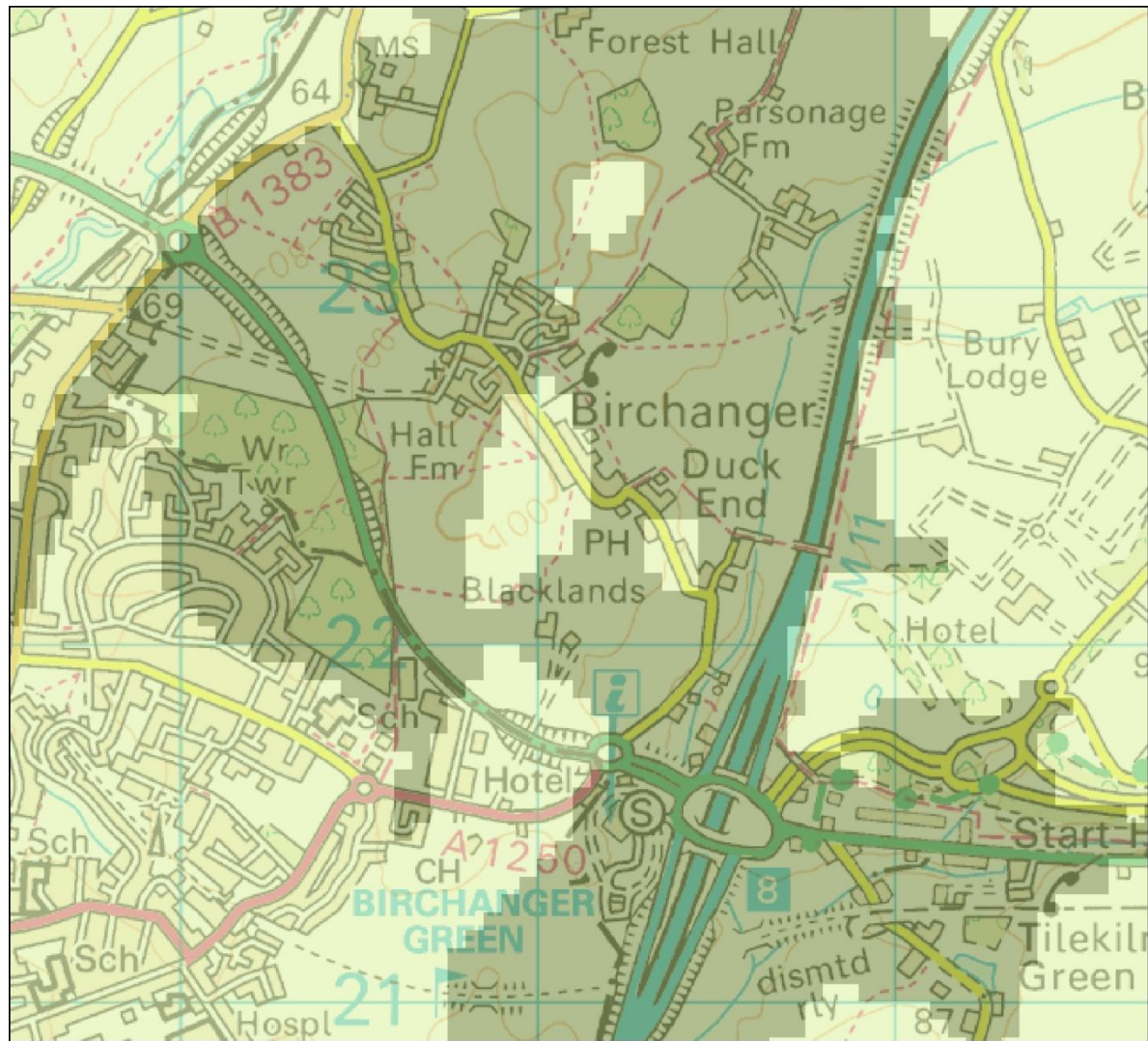
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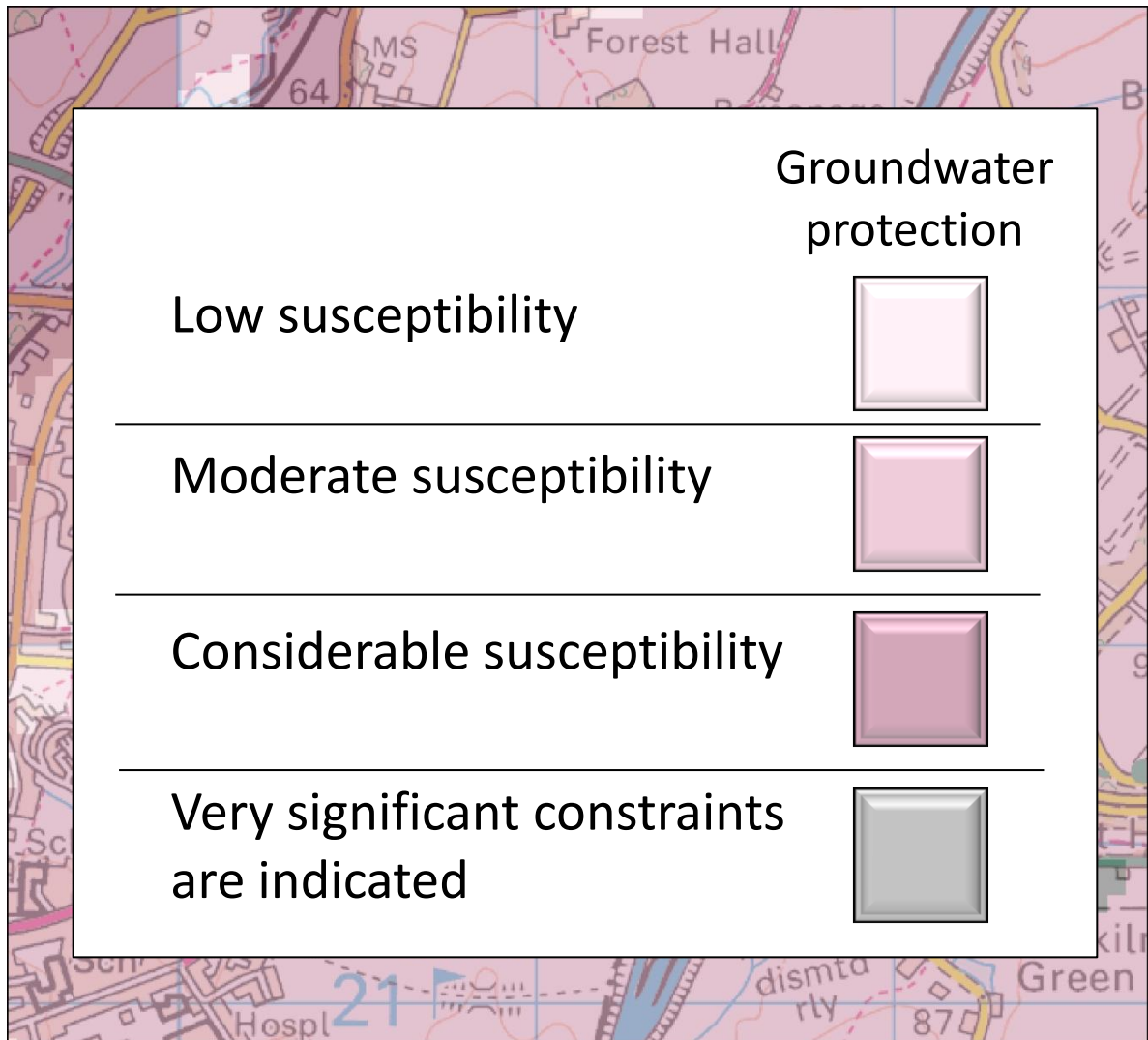
Infiltration SuDS GW protection

GW protection summary

GW source protection zones

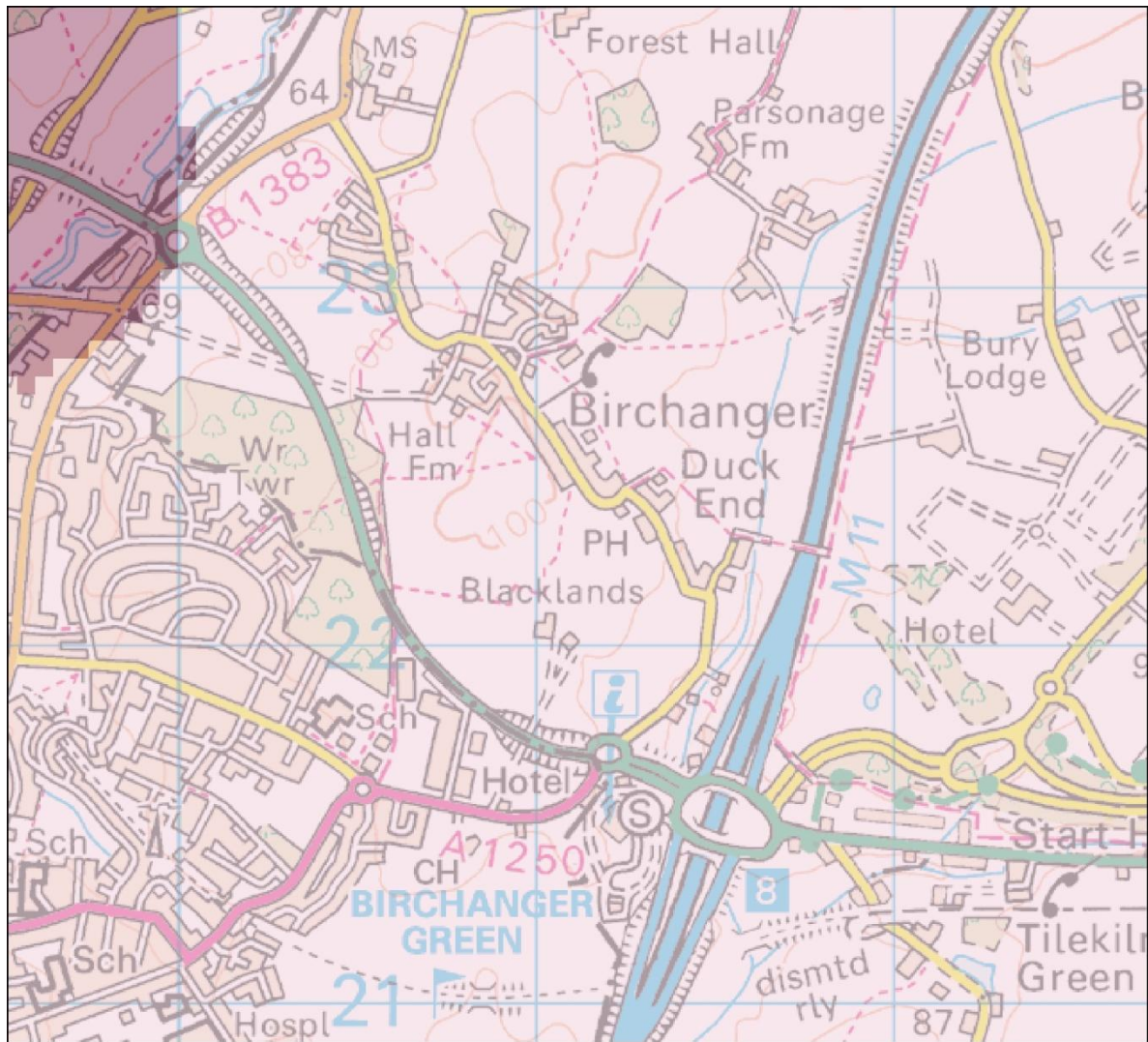
Predominant flow mechanism

Made ground



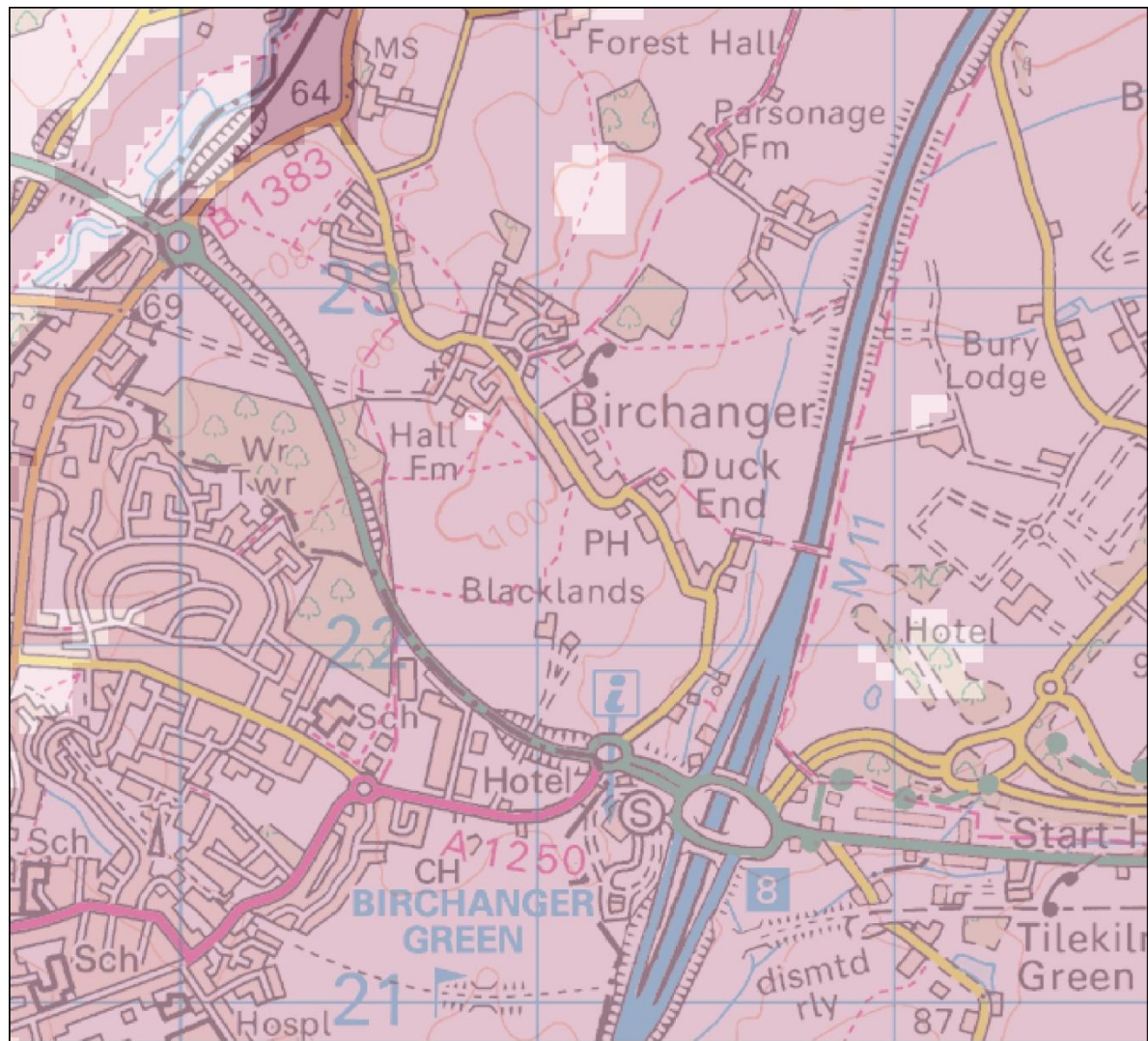
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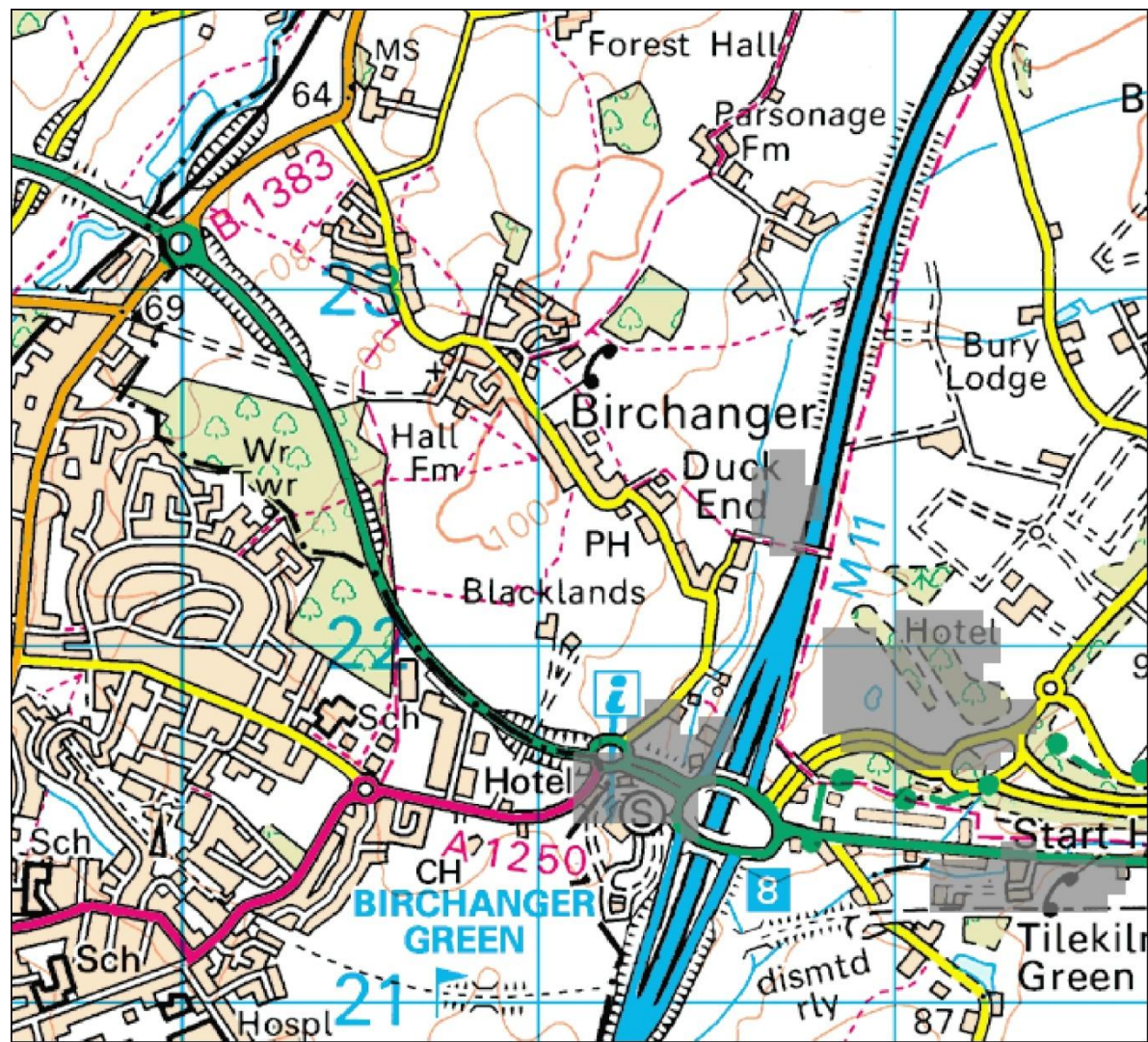
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Birchanger – data summary

Step 1

Soluble rocks	Null
Landslides	Null
Groundwater flooding	Null
Artificial ground	Null
Mining hazards	Null

Step 2

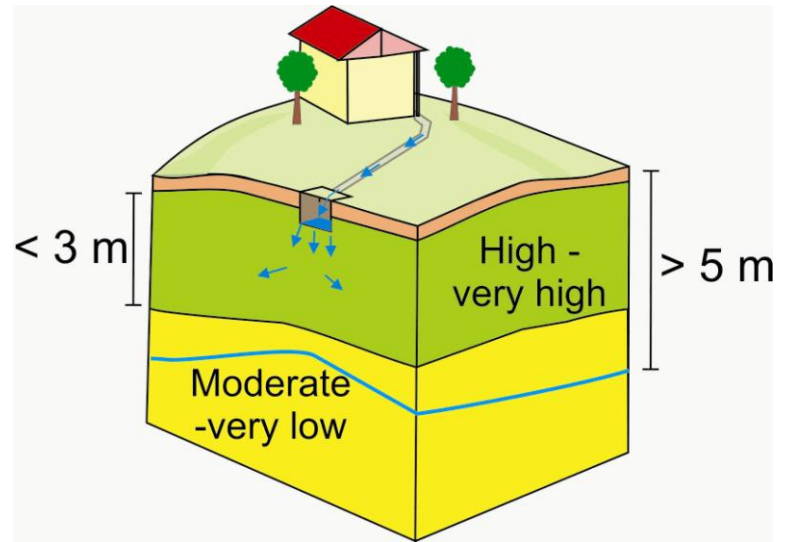
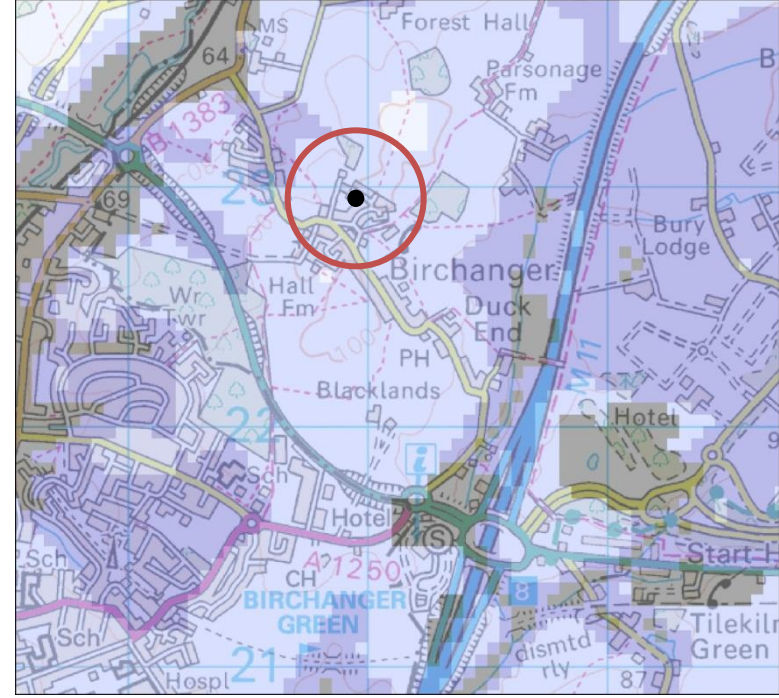
Superficial permeability	High to very high
Superficial thickness	< 3 m
Bedrock permeability	Moderate to very low
Depth to water table	>5 m
Geological indicators of flooding	Null

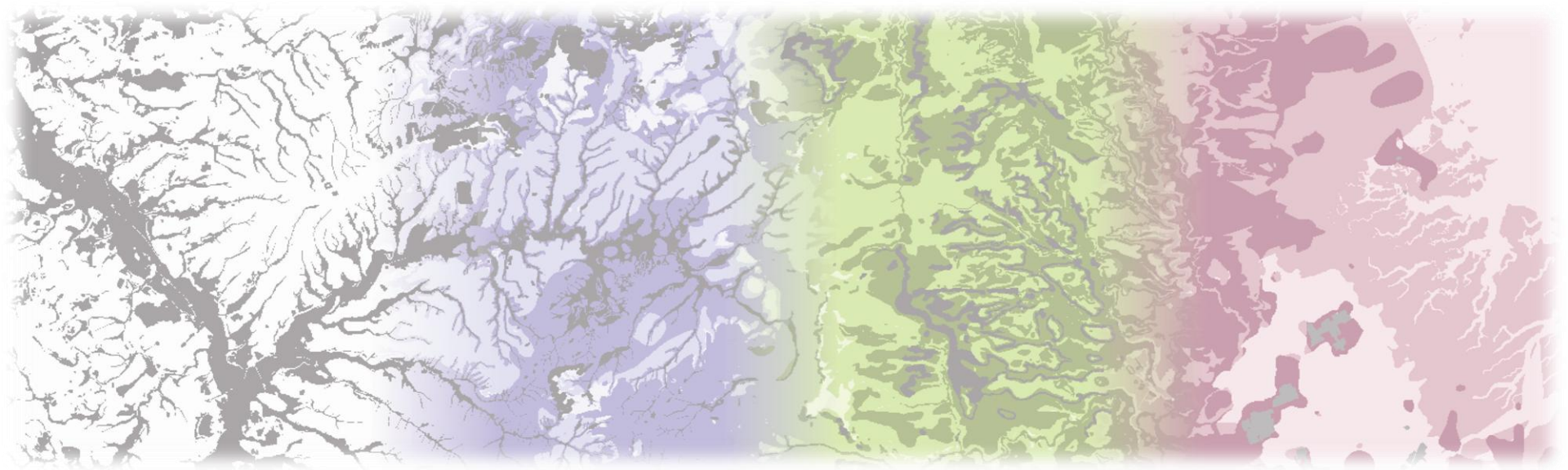
Step 3

Soluble rocks	Geohazard unlikely
Landslides	Moderate constraint
Compressible deposits	Geohazard unlikely
Swelling clays	Considerable constraint
Running sands	Moderate constraint
Collapsible ground	Geohazard unlikely
Mining hazards	Geohazard unlikely

Step 4

Groundwater source protection zones	Null
Predominant flow mechanism	Fracture flow
Made ground	Null





Infiltration SuDS Map: Summary

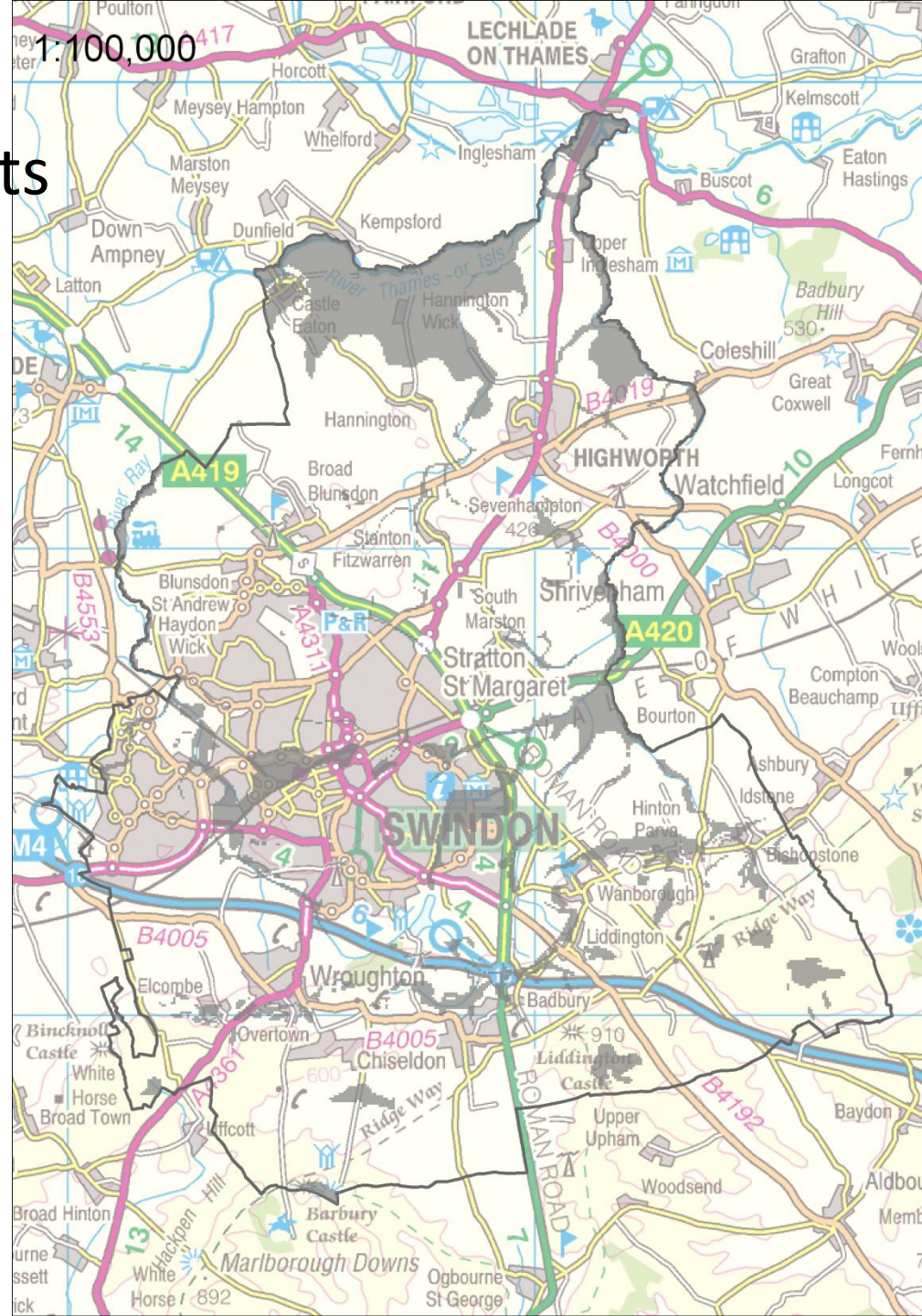
Using the Infiltration SuDS Map for
strategic planning

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Infiltration SuDS Constraints



Very significant constraints are indicated



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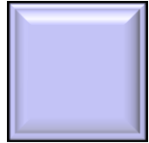
Drainage potential



Compatible for infiltration SuDS



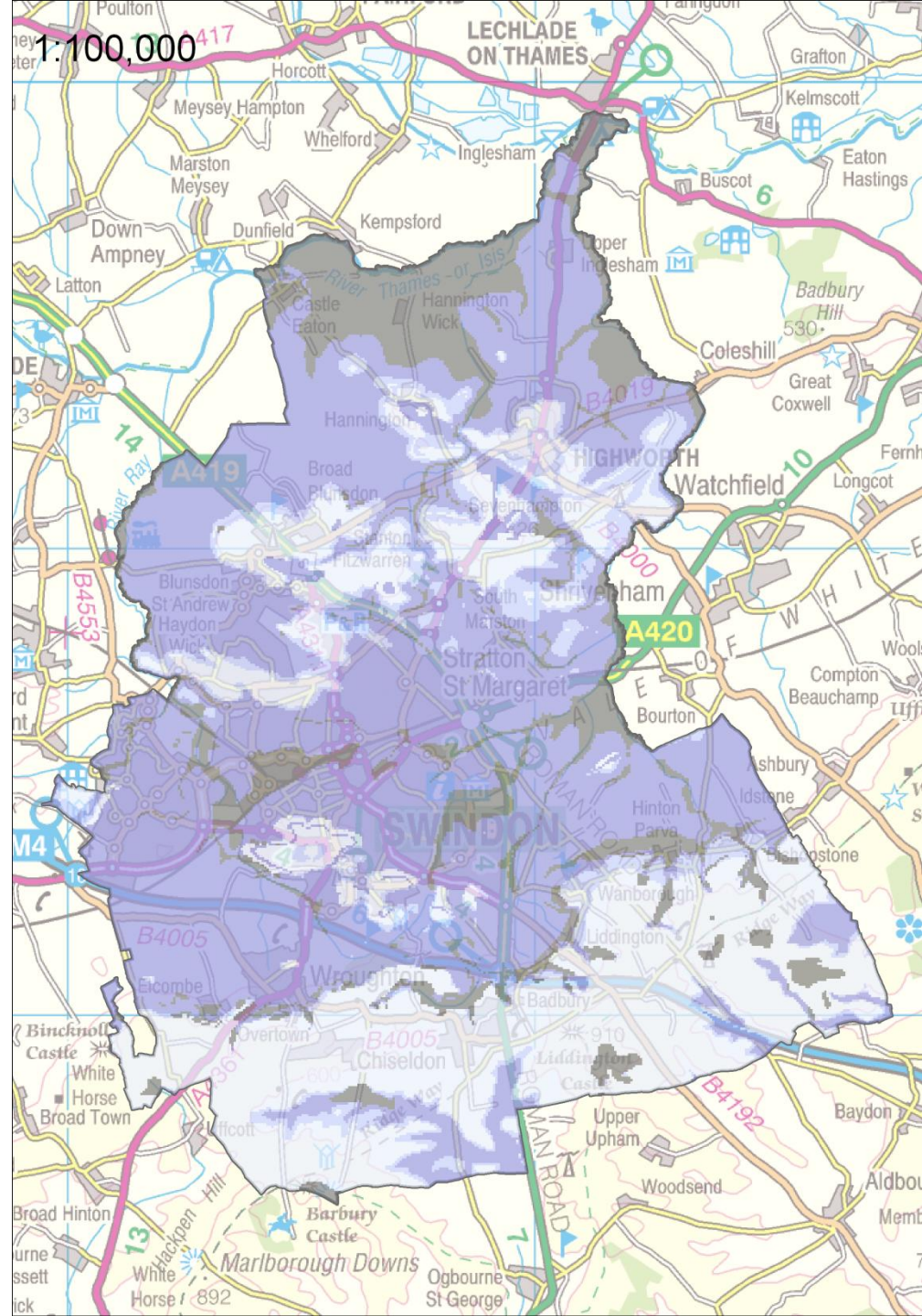
Probably compatible for infiltration SuDS



Opportunities for bespoke infiltration SuDS



Very significant constraints are indicated



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Ground stability



Geohazard unlikely



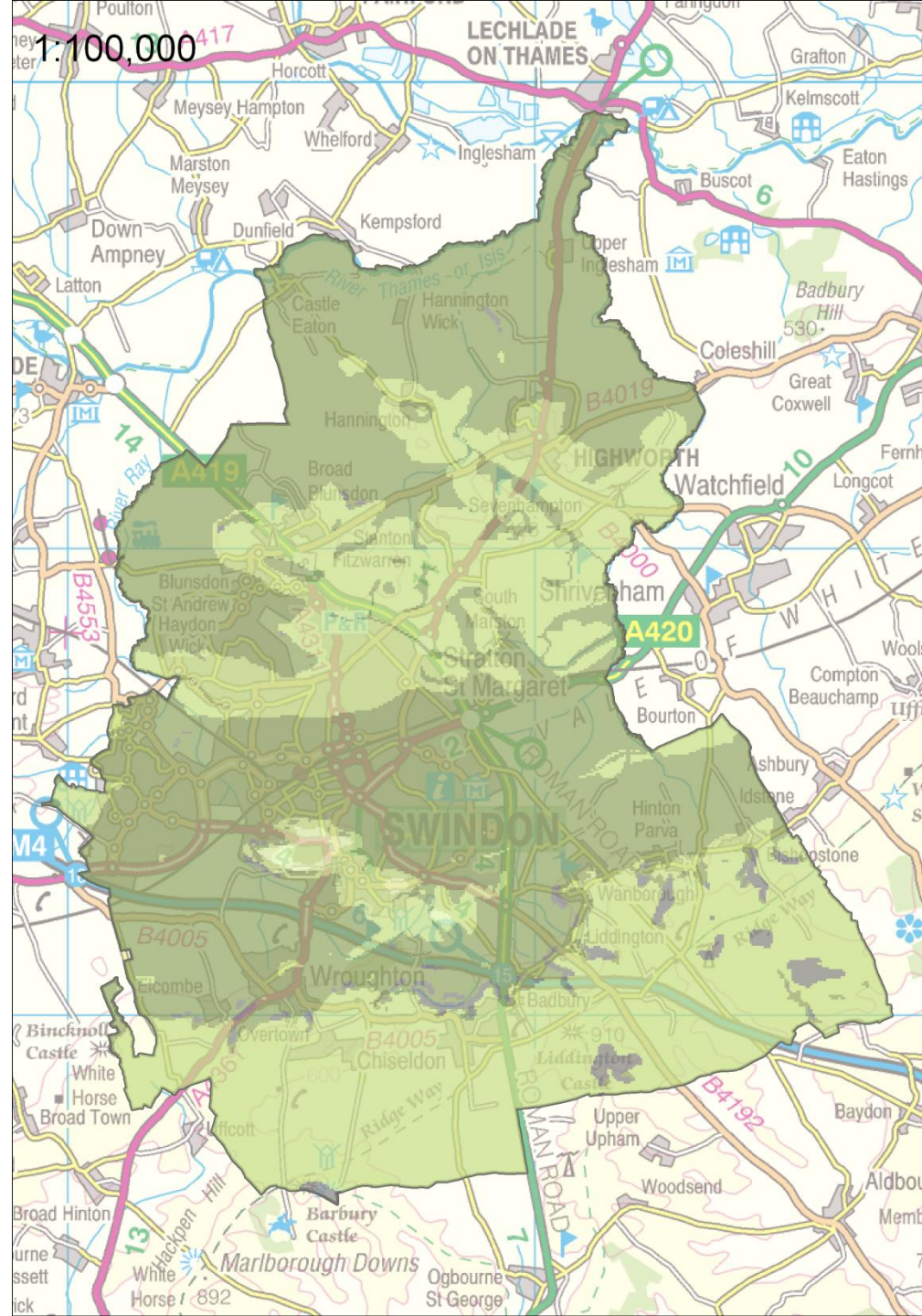
Potential for geohazard



Significant potential for geohazard



Very significant constraints are indicated



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Groundwater protection



Low susceptibility



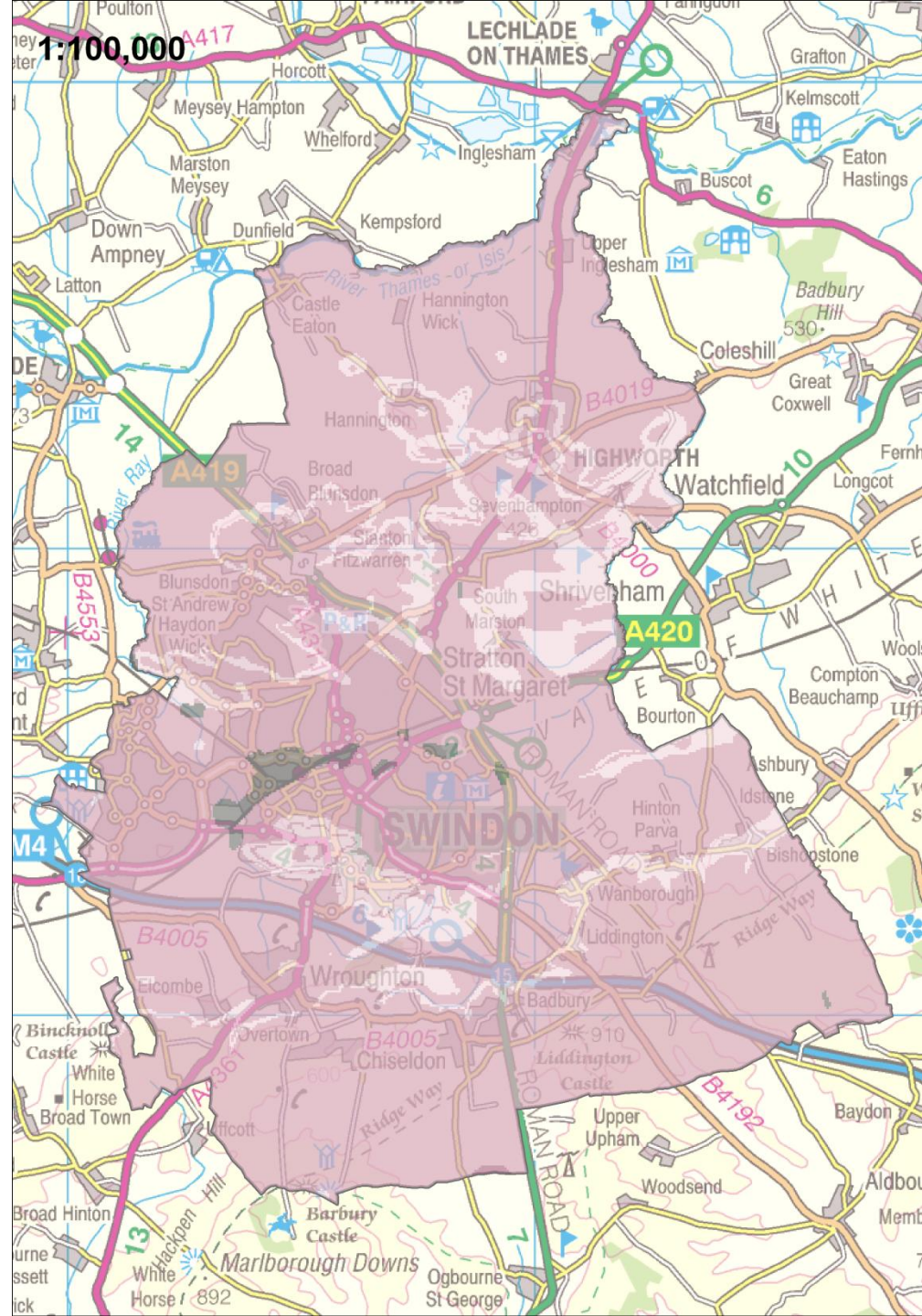
Moderate susceptibility



Considerable susceptibility



Very significant constraints are indicated





Further details

- Infiltration SuDS GeoReport = £70 (+VAT)
- Infiltration SuDS Map GIS data
 - Summary (4 summary layers) = £0.50 per km² (+£300)
 - Detailed (24 layers) = £1.50 per km² (+£300)
 - Quotes from digitaldata@bgs.ac.uk
- Coming soon... Infiltration SuDS Extranet
 - Online access to the national dataset



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