



UNIVERSITY OF
BATH

Welcome to this consultation event on options for the University of Bath's new Masterplan

The Masterplan will act as a blueprint for further development of the University of Bath at its Claverton Down campus and will also look at the potential for development on other sites.

This further development will facilitate the University's sustainable growth and ensure its continued success and valuable socio-economic role within the City.





Part of the Bath Community

For over 50 years the University of Bath has been an integral part of the Bath community, engaging with the City and offering a range of social and recreational opportunities to local people.

The objects of the University shall be to advance learning and knowledge by teaching and research, particularly in science and technology, and in close association with industry and commerce.”

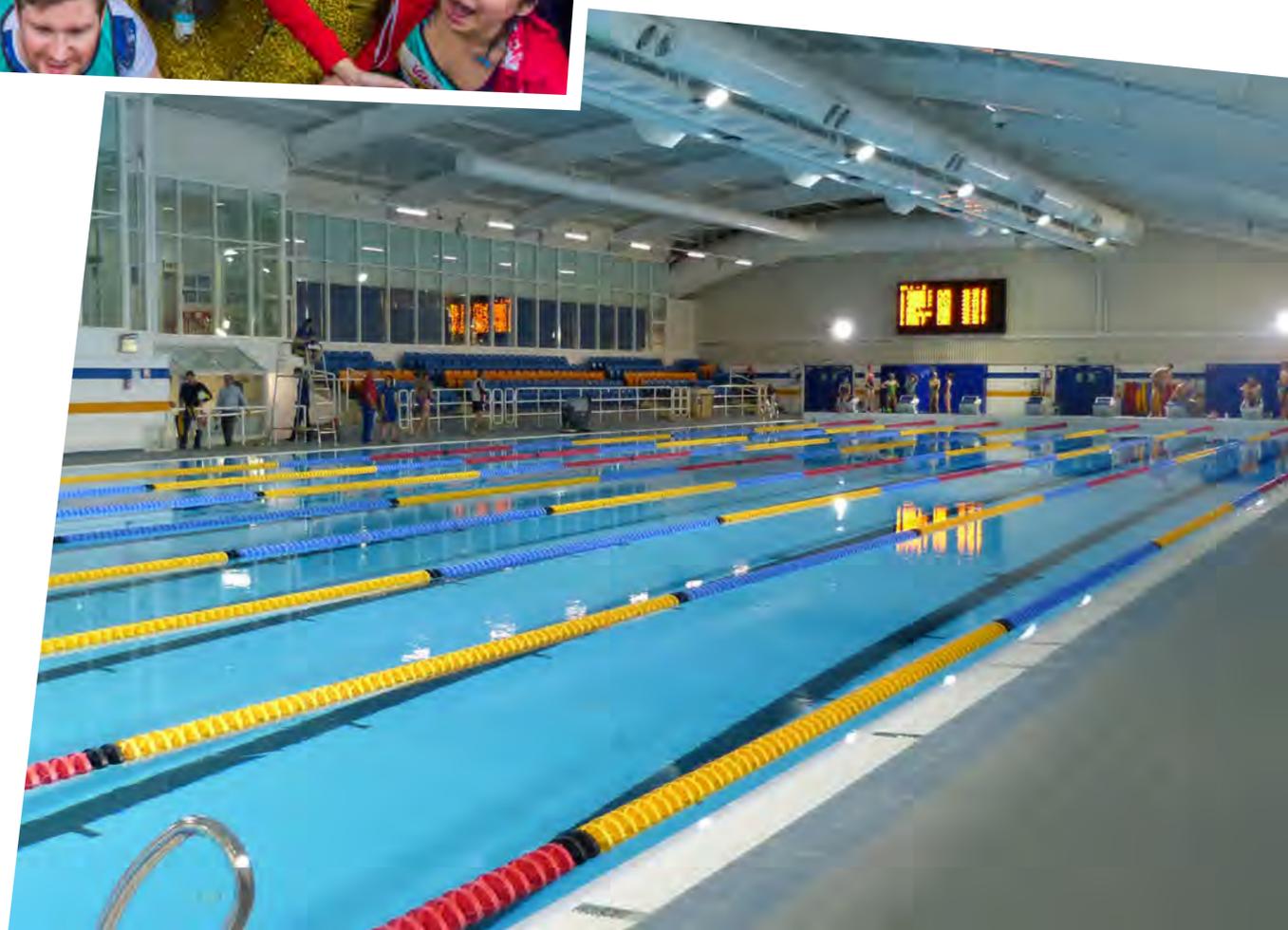
The University Charter 1966



£79,313.96 raised by University of Bath RAG in 2015-16.

13,250 hours given by students for community projects.

Our Sports Training Village is used by approximately 5,000 local children every week and has over 10,000 local community members.



**SPORTS UNIVERSITY
OF THE YEAR 2018**
The Times and The Sunday Times*

*Good University Guide 2018



TOP 5

UK UNIVERSITY

The Guardian 2018

The University of Bath indirectly contributes £294 million to the city's economy each year, helping to support a wide range of businesses throughout the city.



3,400 people are employed by the University.

The University supports one in every 17 jobs in the district.



The University on the World Stage

The University of Bath has an international reputation, from establishing itself as a world leader in sustainable technologies to training some of the world's highest ranking athletes.

University of Bath Alumni

The University of Bath has a wealth of notable alumni including:

Justin King CBE - Former CEO of Sainsbury's and Director of Food at Marks and Spencer. He is currently Vice-Chairman and Head of Portfolio Businesses at Terra Firma. (Pictured below)

Amy Williams - Skeleton Gold medallist in the Vancouver 2010 Winter Olympics.

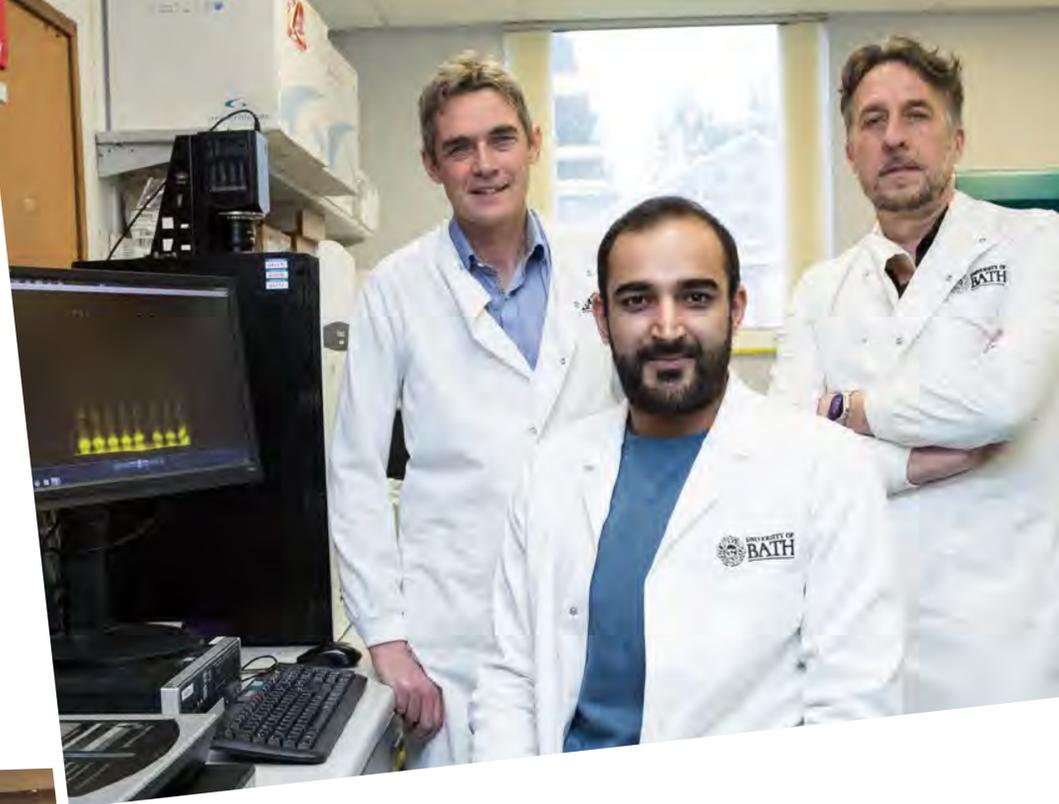
Professor Douglas G. Altman - Founder and Director of the Centre for Statistics in Medicine as well as the Cancer Research UK Medical Statistics Group. He is also the Senior Statistics Editor for the British Medical Journal.

Kelly Gallagher MBE - Winner of the first ever gold medal for Britain on snow. She won the visually impaired Alpine Skiing Super G Slalom event at the 2014 Sochi Games. (Pictured left)

Ash Atalla - TV producer responsible for producing The Office, The IT Crowd and Man Stroke Woman.



Dementia is a disease which is affecting greater proportions of the population worldwide and has global implications for health and social care. Our laboratory-based researchers are working to develop innovative methods to investigate the cellular and molecular causes of dementia, leading to new treatments in the future.



SETsquared (the University's enterprise partnership with other UK universities) is rated as the best university business incubator in the world. It has helped 1,000 technology start-ups to development and raised more than £1 billion in investment.



The Centre for Sustainable Chemical Technologies (CSCT) brings together academic expertise from the University of Bath with international industrial, academic and stakeholder partners. The centre has rapidly become a hub for sustainable chemistry in the UK and is a world leader in sustainable, biodegradable alternatives to plastics, including the development of biodegradable microbeads from cellulose. The University's research portfolio is worth an estimated £145 million.



Looking forward, the University's strategic priorities are to increase its research capacity, enhance the experience of all its students, raise its international profile and develop its physical infrastructure. It needs to continually enhance its resources and facilities in order to remain competitive in an increasingly international recruitment market.

Bath and North East Somerset Council's adopted Core Strategy, notably Policy B1 and Policy B5, recognises that the spatial strategy for the city should seek to enable the provision of additional teaching and research space and student bed spaces to facilitate the growth of the University.

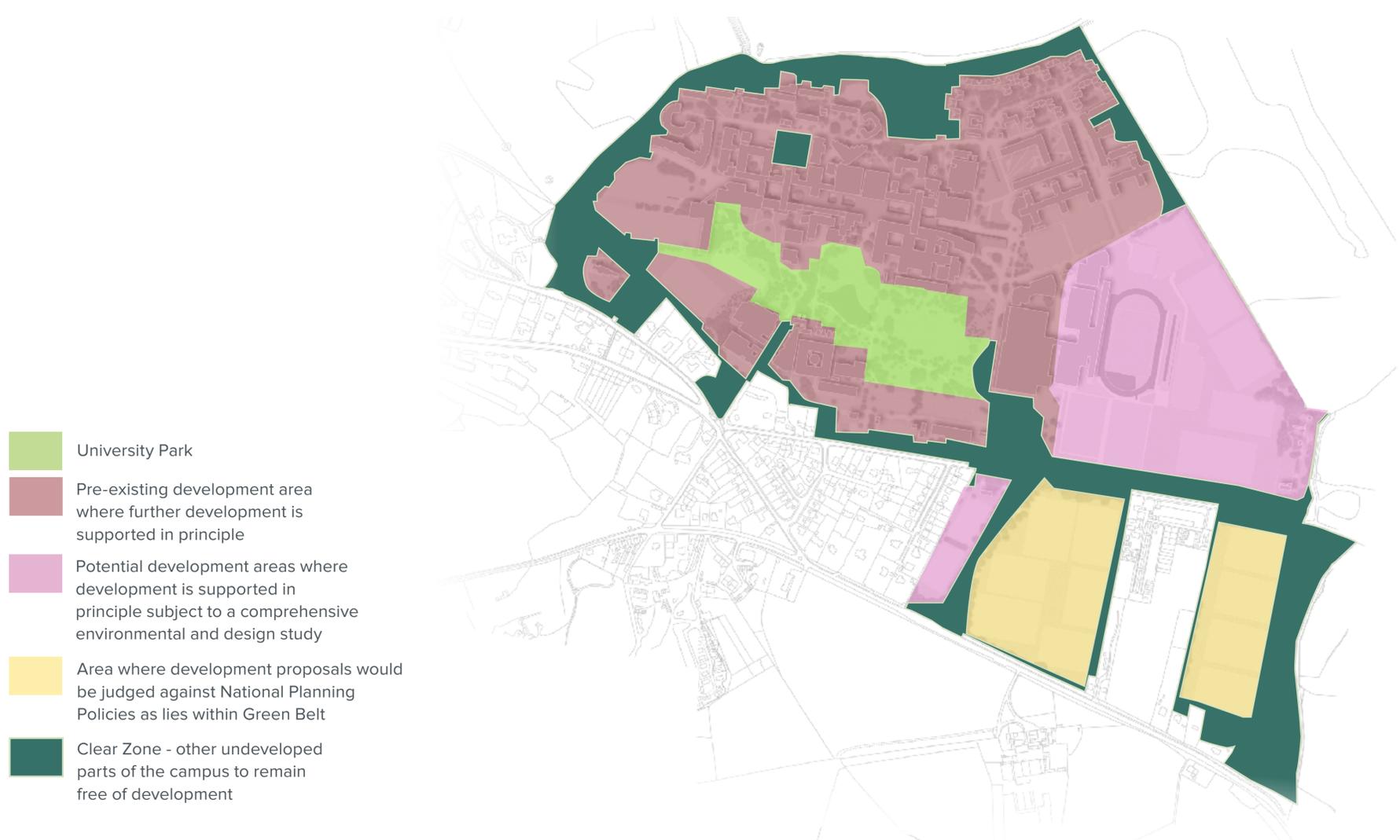
The Council's adopted Place Making Plan Policy SB19 establishes a high level framework for the future development of the campus (see plan below).

The Masterplan will reflect the current policy context by providing a clear understanding of the development capacity and key environmental constraints within the University's estate.

The Masterplan will set out a comprehensive vision for the University's long term development and define key parameters in terms of:

- the location and scale of developments
- the nature of the supporting infrastructure required (notably for transport and parking)
- the enhancement of its Green Infrastructure.

The final Masterplan will inform the preparation of the Council's new Local Plan, including its policies specific to the University's campus, and the wider spatial strategy for the City and its approach to off campus development.



The University of Bath's Claverton Campus is more than 50 years old and over the last five decades the grounds have been transformed into a thriving hub of learning, research and sports.

The campus is now made up of a mixture of academic space, student residences,

support services, car parks and green space (see plan below).

Our Sports Training Village has helped to train numerous successful Olympic athletes and is also used by thousands of local people every week.



Academic Space

The Claverton Campus is home to the University's 16 academic departments, which are organised into three faculties (Engineering & Design, Humanities & Social Sciences, and Science) and the School of Management. The University aspires to academic excellence in both research and teaching.

We have 18,000 students, around 75% of which are undergraduates and 25% are postgraduates. We attract students from around the world, with around 20% of our student population being international.

Our students have high aspirations and high expectations of our facilities and services. We also attract world class researchers and our research facilities need to keep pace with rapidly evolving technologies.

Purpose Built Student Accommodation

The Campus provides residential accommodation for 3,278 students, including 704 bed spaces in The Quads which were opened in 2014.

The latest addition to our stock of Purpose Built Student Accommodation is the Polden development which will provide 294 beds for postgraduate students and is due to open in September 2018.

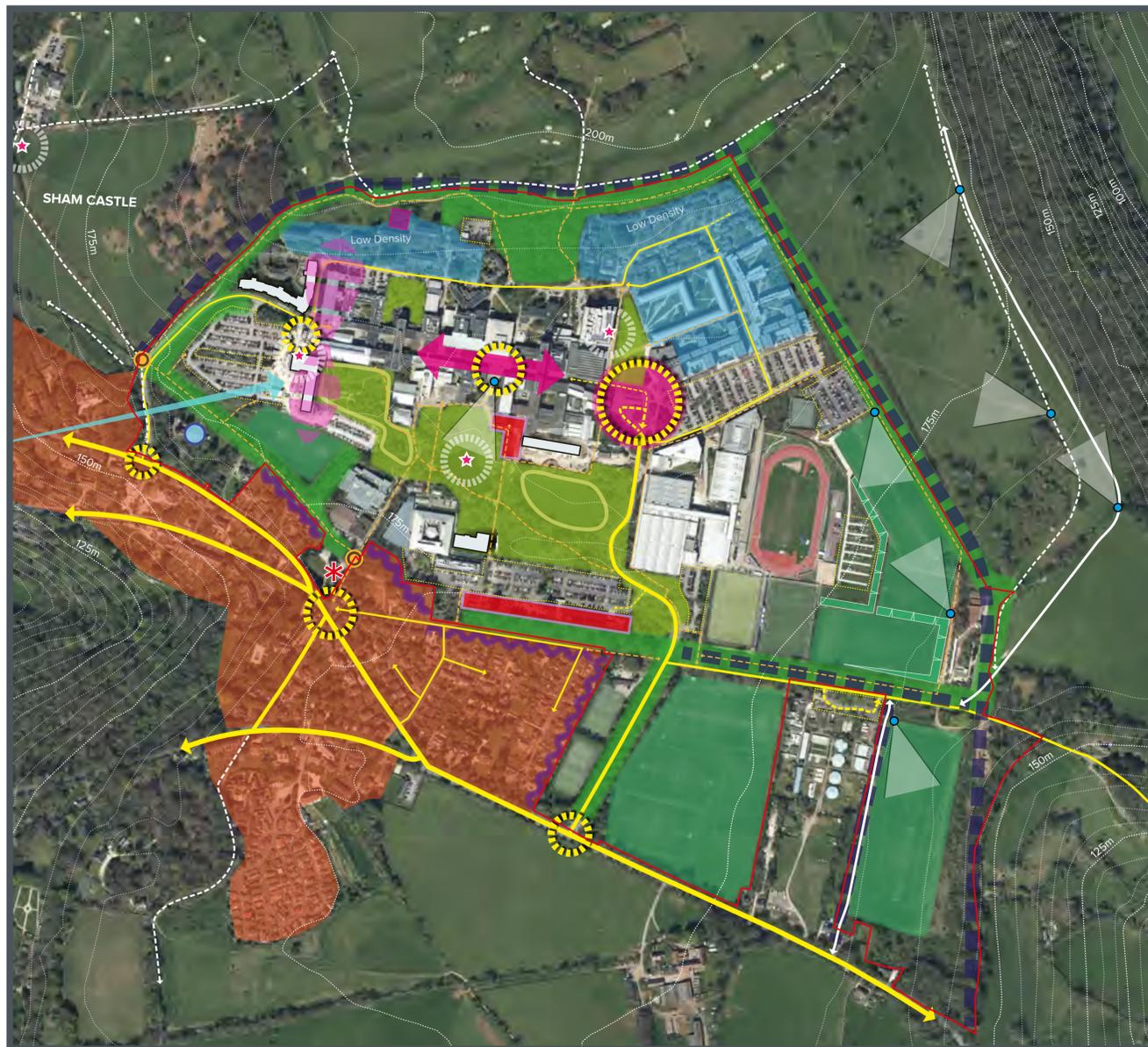


Sports Training Village

The hugely popular University of Bath Sports Training Village houses sport, fitness, coaching, physio and sport science facilities. The £30 million complex includes an Olympic size pool, 400 metre athletic track, an indoor sprint track, rugby and football pitches and a bobsleigh/skeleton start track.

Lizzy Yarnold, Laura Deas and current student Dom Parsons all won medals at the recent Winter Olympic Games.





-  Site Boundary
-  Vegetation
-  Main Vehicular Routes
-  Parking
-  Bath Skyline Walk
-  Public Right of Way
-  Key Nodal/Arrival Point
-  Significant Tree Belt/Avenue
-  Local Landmark
-  Key University Movement Routes
-  The Parade
-  Open Views
-  Contours
-  Pitches
-  Central Parkland
-  Student Accommodation
-  Housing
-  Nursery
-  Service Area
-  Bat Activity Corridor
-  Arrivals Area
-  Key Pedestrian Access
-  Medical Centre
-  Recent Development
-  Views from City
-  Visual Sensitivity
-  Sensitive Edge - Neighbouring Residences
-  Listed Building
-  Localised Slope

The capacity for growth on the Claverton Campus is limited. The campus is entirely located within the World Heritage Site of Bath and different parts of it are within the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and Green Belt.

Detailed ecology, landscape, heritage and transport assessments of the campus itself are underway. An analysis of its key environmental and functional characteristics are presented above.

The University is keen to maintain the environmental quality of the campus and remain a diligent custodian of the landscape. The nature and scale of future development proposed on the campus must reflect that and all of this will be carefully considered through the Masterplanning process.

There is limited capacity for further built development on the campus, and the Masterplan must consider the provision of new academic and research accommodation and support services, as well as student residences.

Whilst a significant amount of development has taken place in recent years, a number of redevelopment, infill and extension opportunities remain around the campus core that were identified in the current Masterplan. There are also some priority projects that are being brought forward in

the short term and there is a need to address the condition of some of the older buildings on campus.

The Development Framework in the Council's Place Making Plan (PMP) indicates that the remaining development capacity on the campus is located on the existing main car parks and/or sports pitches and tennis courts (outside of the Green Belt). The development of these areas would, however, first require the provision of these essential facilities elsewhere within the estate.

The following potential development areas have been identified. It would not, however, be possible to develop all of these.

1. West Car Park: This has significant development capacity subject to re-providing the car parking that would be lost. The design will need to take account of the potential impact on views from the City.

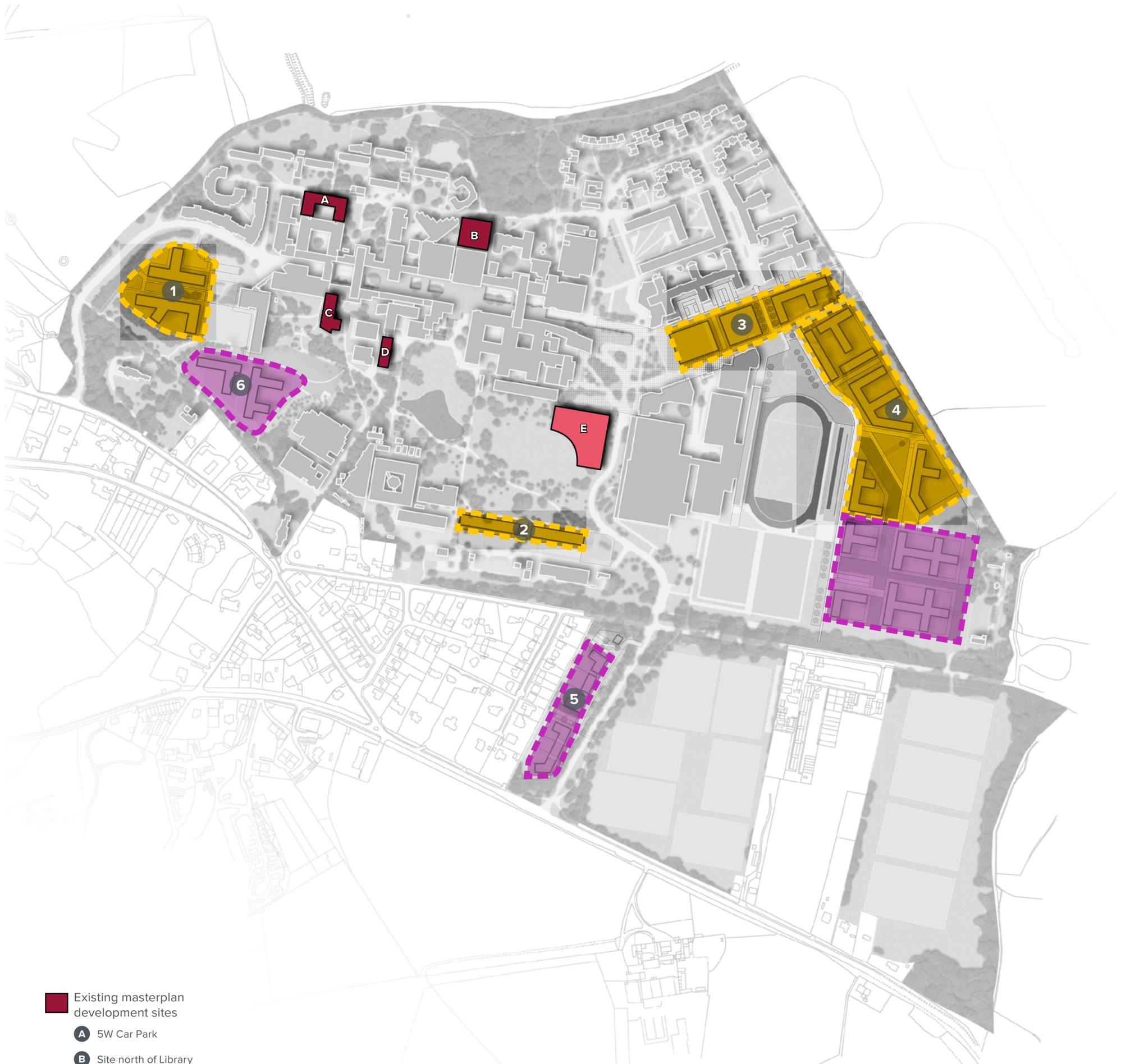
2. South Car Park: Any development on this site would mean the existing car parking spaces would need to be re-provided elsewhere.

3. East Car Park: Any development on this site would mean the existing car parking spaces would need to be re-provided elsewhere.

4. Eastern Playing Fields: The loss of pitches will need to be compensated. This limits the potential extent of development which is also affected by environmental constraints. Sensitive design is required to take account of the landscape, visual and ecological issues.

5. Tennis Courts: The courts would need to be re-provided. The close proximity with the neighbouring residential area limits its development capacity.

6. Lacrosse Pitch: Plays an important role in Green Infrastructure and the close proximity with the neighbouring residential area limits its development capacity.



- Existing masterplan development sites
 - A 5W Car Park
 - B Site north of Library
 - C Site south of Wessex House
 - D 4West Phase 2
- Short-term priorities
 - E School of Management
- Development Option (Preferred)
- Development Option

The University is committed to maximising the use of sustainable modes of travel. It will continue to enhance the pedestrian and cycle facilities and connections and seek to expand the capacity of its Arrivals Area that acts as the bus hub.

The Claverton Campus has three main car parks West, East and South, which provide approximately 2,200 parking spaces for staff, students and visitors. It will still be necessary to maintain the current level of car parking on the campus, and potentially increase that provision to accommodate future growth.

As the development capacity of the campus is so constrained, we need to explore options, such as decked car parking and 3G pitches in order to release new sites. Therefore, to release one of the main car park areas for potential development would require the prior provision of one or two decked car parks on the existing parking areas.

The identified options are set out on the plan on the following board.

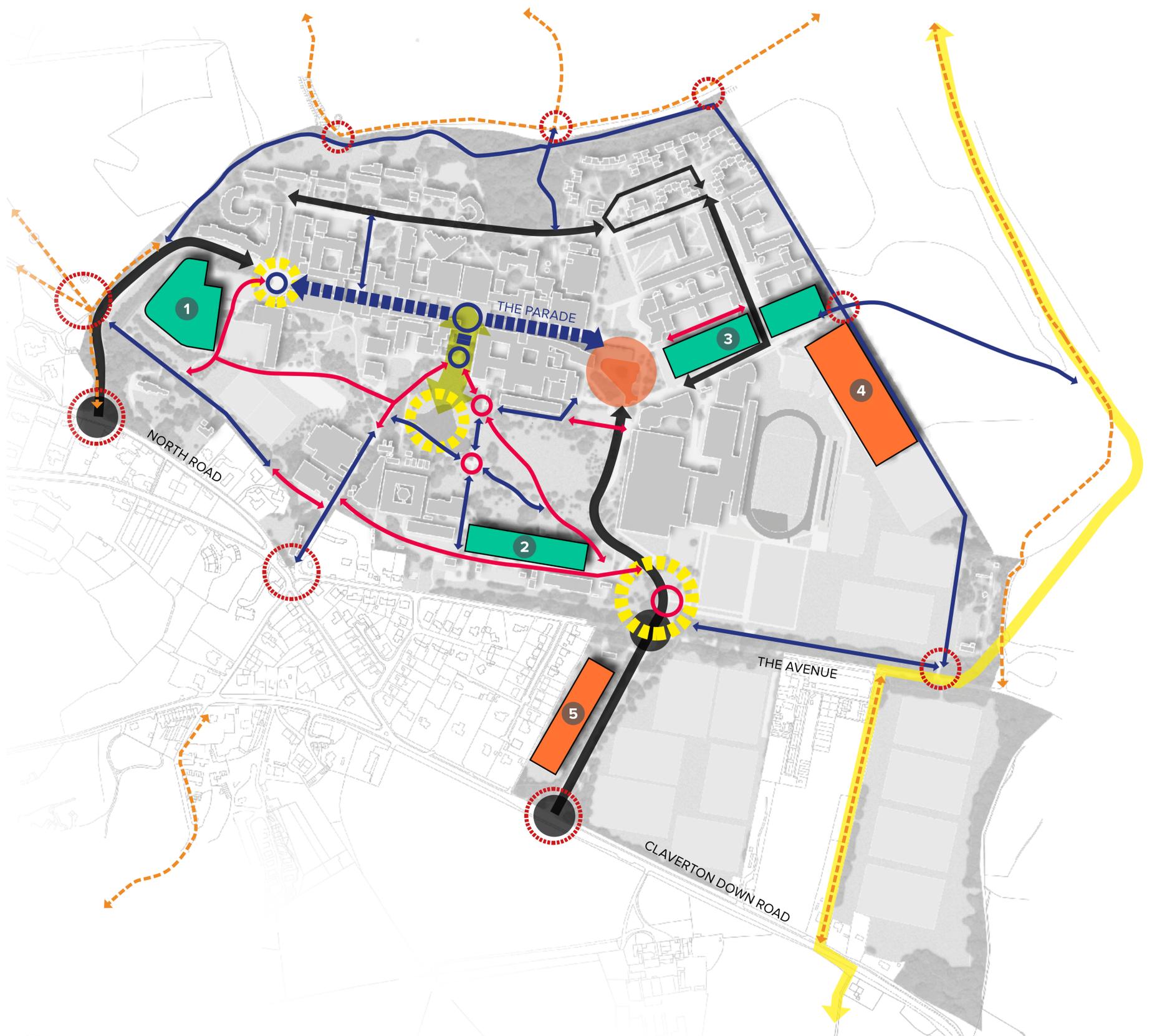
1. West Car Park: This has significant development capacity. It would maintain the split of traffic between the two access points and could be brought forward in combination with some built development. The design will need to take account of the potential impact on views from the City.

2. South Car Park: Is well located close to the main entrance to the campus meaning that the majority of traffic would avoid the busy Arrivals Area.

3. East Car Park: It could be delivered in combination with some built development. It would still need to be accessed through the busy Arrivals Area. The design will need to take account of the potential impact on the wider environment.

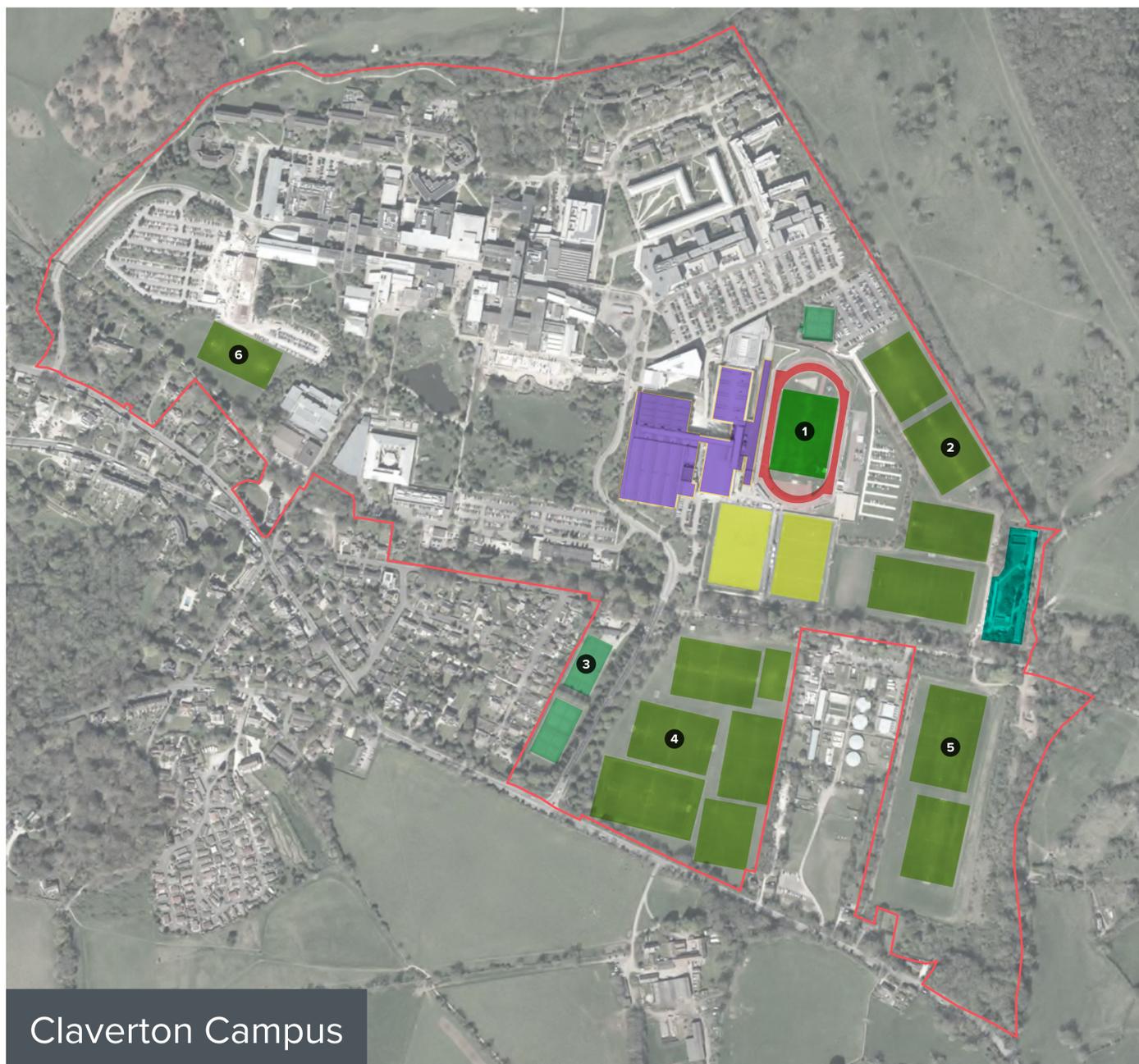
4. Eastern Playing Fields: Sensitive design required to take account of the landscape, visual and ecological issues. In an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, the loss of pitches will need to be compensated for. A large multi-storey car park might be difficult to integrate into the campus and wider environment in this area.

5. Tennis Courts: The courts would need to be re-provided within the campus itself and the close proximity with the neighbouring residential area limits development capacity.



-  Vehicular Access to Campus
-  Key Vehicular Route
-  Arrivals Area
-  Decked Car Park Option
-  Decked Car Park Option (Not Preferred)
-  Pedestrian Access Points
-  Key Existing Pedestrian Nodes
-  Focal Open Spaces
-  Main Link between the Parade and University Park (including focal lake and amphitheatre).
-  Key Internal Pedestrian Route
-  Key Existing Pedestrian Link
-  Pedestrian Connections that could be improved (to respond to existing or anticipated desire lines)
-  Existing or Proposed Pedestrian Nodes that could be improved/enhanced
-  Bath Skyline Walk
-  Public Footpath
-  Public Bridleway

Currently approximately 59% of those visiting the Claverton Campus travel by bus, 8% walk and 3% cycle. Those travelling by car, either as driver or passenger, account for 29% of visits.



-  Sports Training Village
 -  Grass Pitch
 -  Athletics Area
 -  All Weather
 -  Tennis
 -  Bobsleigh Area
 -  Track
- 1** Athletics Area
 - 2** Eastern Playing Fields
 - 3** Tennis Court
 - 4** St Johns Field
 - 5** Lime Kiln Fields
 - 6** Lacrosse Pitch

Claverton Campus

The renowned Sports Training Village houses sport, fitness, coaching, physio and sport science facilities all largely under one roof.

The Village manages all our sports facilities, offering more than 50 sports and hosting major international competitions, as well as being a world-class multi-sport training environment.



Sulis Club

-  Grass Pitch
-  Tennis

The loss of grass pitches (either on the campus or at the Sulis Club) to allow development to occur could be compensated for by the provision of 3G pitches that can be used more flexibly and intensively all year round. Where they are located, however, needs to be carefully considered as the University is keen to maintain the environmental quality of the campus.

Some options for the provision of 3G pitches are highlighted on the plans (right):

Eastern Playing Fields: Located close to the Sports Training Village (and the changing facilities, physio and support facilities). Sensitive design required to take account of the landscape, visual and ecological constraints.

St Johns Field: Situated in the Green Belt, the field performs an important role in creating an attractive setting for the wider campus. It is considered more environmentally sensitive than the Eastern Playing Fields.

Sulis Club: Also situated in the Green Belt, sports pitches at the Sulis do not benefit from the facilities available in the Sports Training Village. More intensive use of the Sulis Club will present significant operational issues to the University and the users of the facilities.



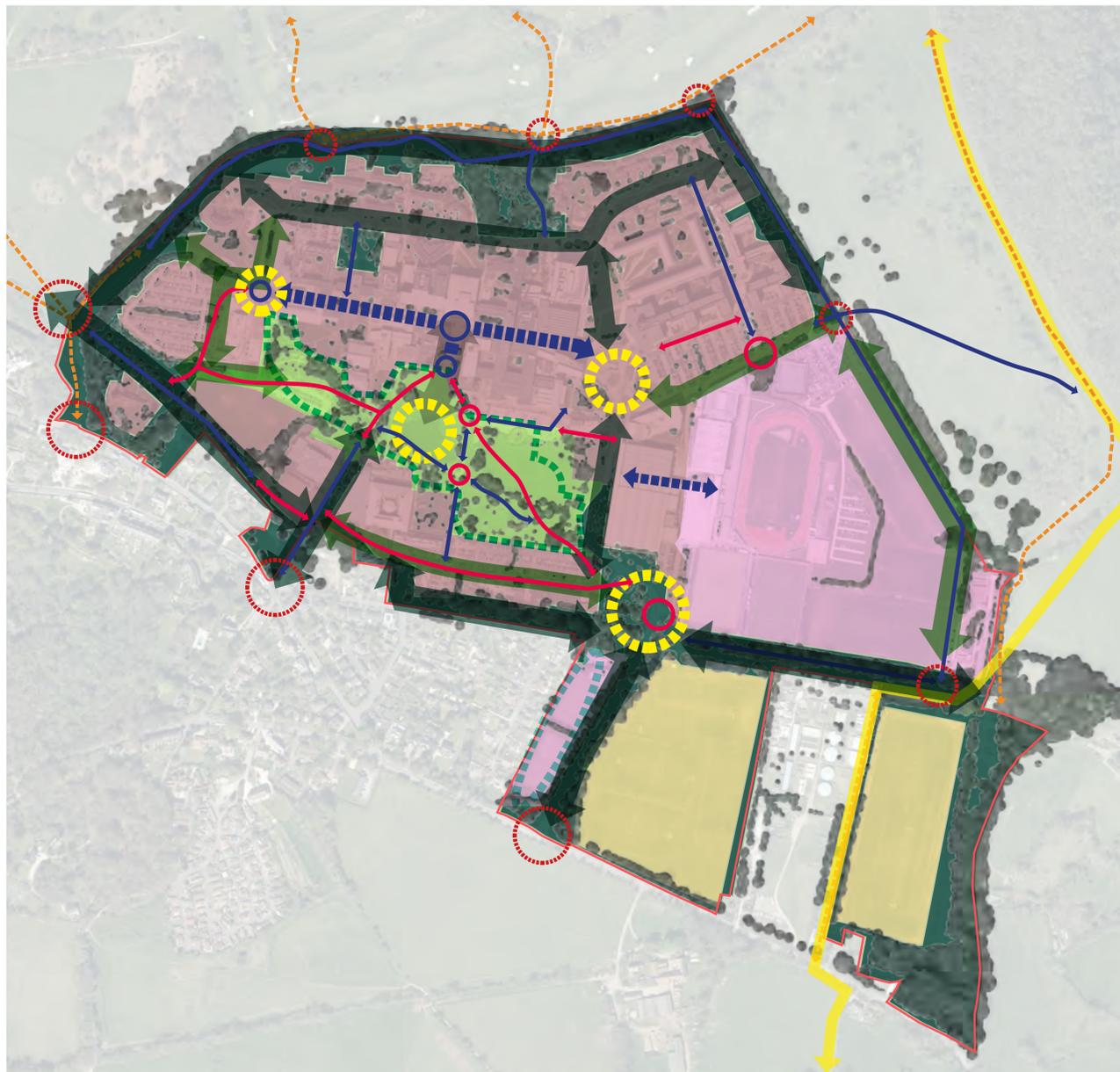
 3G Pitch Option

1 Eastern Playing Fields

2 St Johns Field



 3G Pitch Option



-  Existing Green Corridors
-  Green Corridors that could be improved/enhanced to link existing open spaces and movement corridors within the campus
-  Main Link between the Parade and University Park (including focal lake and amphitheatre).
-  Bath Skyline Walk
-  Public Right of Way
-  Key Internal Pedestrian Route
-  Key Existing Pedestrian Link
-  Pedestrian Connections that could be improved (to respond to existing or anticipated desire lines)
-  Key Existing Pedestrian Nodes
-  Existing or Proposed Pedestrian Nodes that could be improved/enhanced
-  Pedestrian Access Points
-  Focal Open Spaces

From Placemaking Plan

-  University Park
-  Pre-existing development area where further development is supported in principle
-  Potential development areas where development is supported in principle subject to a comprehensive environmental and design study
-  Area where development proposals would be judged against National Planning Policies
-  Clear Zone - other undeveloped parts of the campus to remain free of development

The Green Infrastructure on the Campus comprises the University Park, its grass pitches, informal open areas and woodland. It directly contributes to the environmental character and quality of the campus and is a key asset for the University.

A cohesive strategy for the enhancement of the Green Infrastructure on the campus, and its links to neighbouring areas, incorporating an integrated range of landscape, ecology, heritage, recreation and movement proposals will be a key part of the final Masterplan proposals.

A number of opportunities to improve the Green Infrastructure on the campus are identified on the plan above. They seek to improve the overall environmental quality of the campus in terms of landscape character and biodiversity, the functionality of the green spaces and connectivity.

In light of the limited and ultimately finite capacity for development on the Claverton Campus, the University must consider the future role of the other parts of its estate; notably the Sulis Club.

The Sulis Club is located about a mile away from the campus on the Claverton Down Road and currently accommodates a number of grass pitches and some related facilities, although currently they are not of a high standard.

There is the potential that Purpose Built Student Accommodation development at the Sulis Club could take pressure off housing (private residential and student accommodation) within the city.

This could also incorporate the retention and enhancement of some of the sports facilities there.

This would allow the University to reserve the remaining development capacity on the campus for academic/research and related uses that must for operational reasons be co-located on campus.

It is, however, recognised that the Sulis Club is located within the designated World Heritage Site, Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and currently defined Green Belt, and those matters would need to be carefully considered, within the overall planning framework for the City.



Thank you for attending today's exhibition

Your comments are important to us and we would appreciate you taking the time to complete a feedback form on the options presented to you.

We hope to host further public information events later in the year where we will present our new Masterplan. Updates on the project can also be found by visiting the University's website at go.bath.ac.uk/masterplan.

Below is a table outlining the timeline of both the University's Masterplan process and Bath and North East Somerset Council's review of its Local Plan.

The University's Masterplan will inform the preparation of the Council's new Local Plan.

	University of Bath	Bath and North East Somerset Council
Spring 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Masterplan Options Consultation 	
Summer 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Masterplan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Local Plan 2016 - 2036 Preferred Options Consultation
Winter 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final Masterplan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Publication of Draft Local Plan
Autumn 2019		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption of Local Plan

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Process

