

VILLAGE CONFINES

BACKGROUND

In October 2018, Ashford Borough Council (ABC) wrote to the Parish Council to advise that it would be commencing an exercise to identify 'village confines' across the borough.

They advised that "traditionally, the village 'confines' for planning purposes has been defined by the following written definition in successive versions of the Local Plan:-

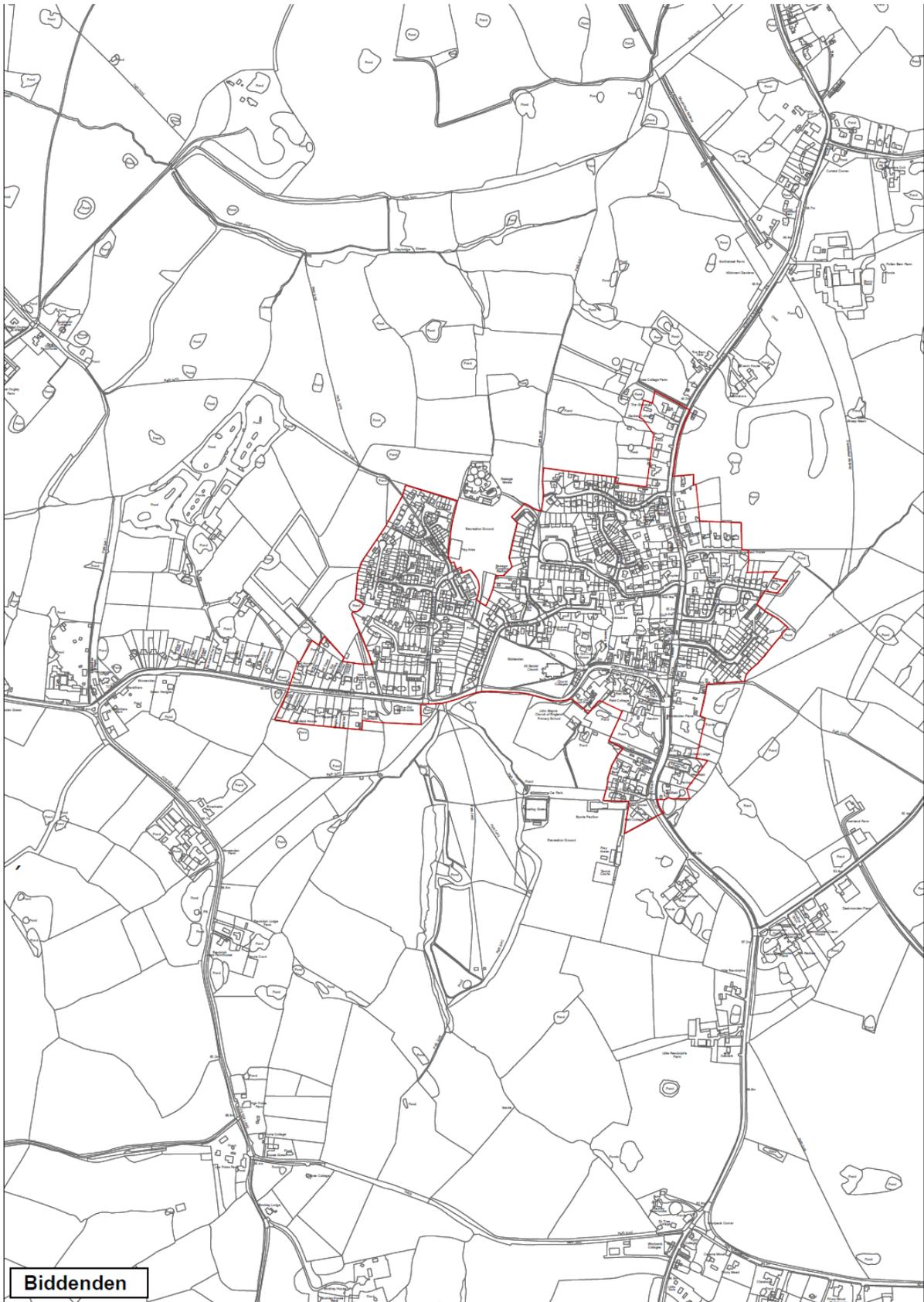
"the limits of continuous and contiguous development forming the existing built-up area of the settlement, excluding any curtilage beyond the built footprint of the buildings on the site (e.g. garden areas)."

ABC stated that the purpose of the exercise was to provide some additional clarity as to where the existing built confines of the village are, by expressing this on a map base"

The map below was sent to the parish council. A copy was put on the website and a note put on the Biddenden Community Facebook page inviting comments.

On 2nd January 2019 a Planning Committee meeting was held to discuss the map and the comments from those that sent them in considered

ORIGINAL MAP SENT TO BIDDENDEN PARISH COUNCIL – VILLAGE CONFINES MARKED IN RED

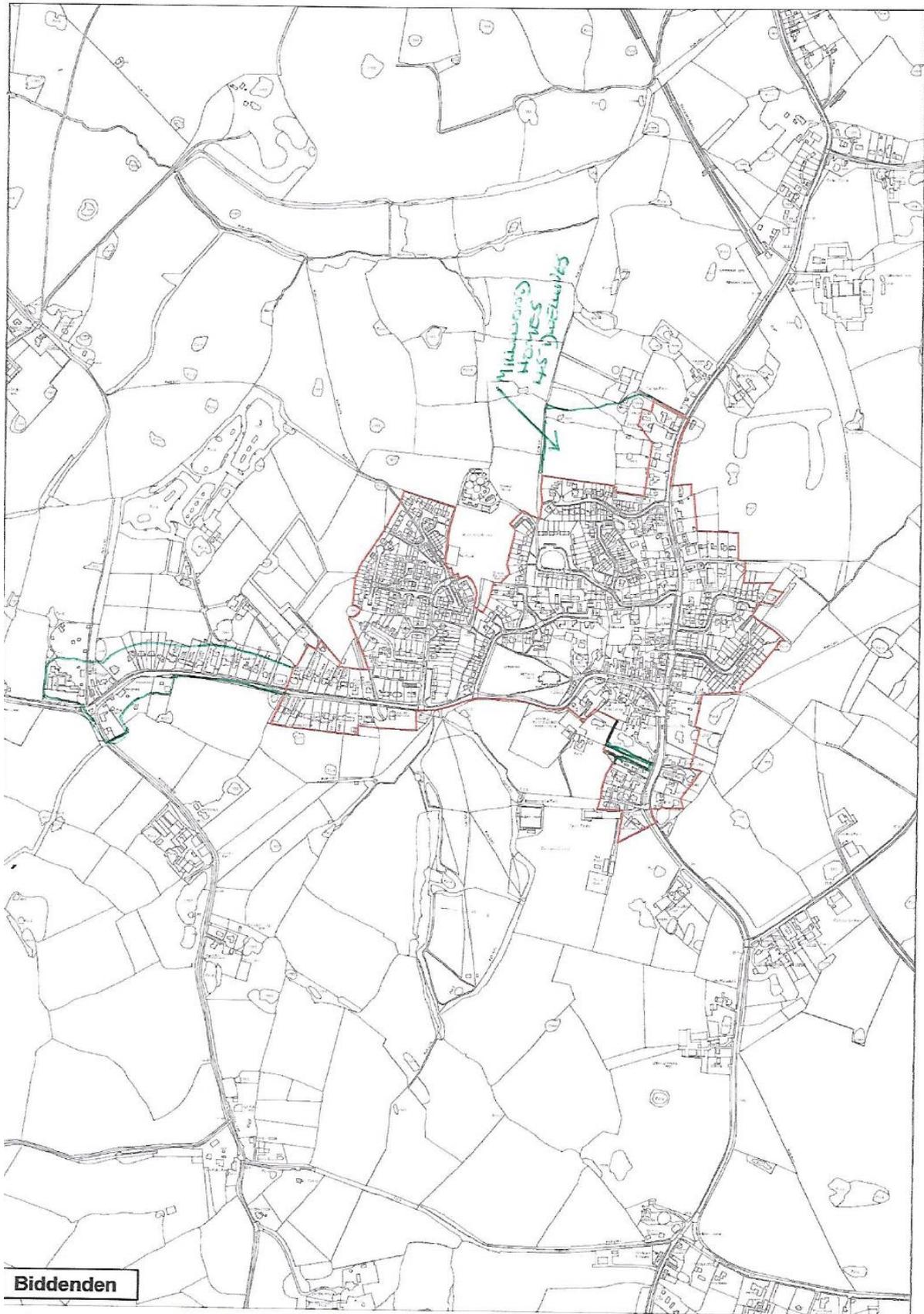


The above map was considered at the Planning Committee meeting on 2nd January and revisions made to include the new Millwood Development on North Street of 45 houses, the inclusion of the houses just outside the confines on Sissinghurst Road including Bloomsbury's, across to Fosten Lane and the houses on the opposite side of the road going back into the village, and the entrance to the Jubilee Meadow from the Tenterden Road, which had been left out. The following map shows the revisions made.

CURRENT POSITION

Parishioners are asked to submit any comments to the Parish Clerk by email to Clerk@Biddenden.gov.uk by no later than Thursday 31 January 2019.

REVISED VILLAGE CONFINES MARKED IN GREEN. ORIGINAL CONFINES MARKED IN RED



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