TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (GENERAL PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT) ORDER 1995, AS AMENDED DIRECTION UNDER ARTICLE 4(1)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Medway Council (hereinafter called "the **Council**") of Gun Wharf, Dock Road, Chatham, Kent, ME4 4TR, has made a Direction pursuant to Article 4 (1) of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development)(England) Order 2015 (herein after called "the **2015 Order**") in respect of all land and property located in the following Wards within Medway (hereinafter called "the **Land**"):

i) Chatham Central and Brompton.
ii) Fort Pitt.
iii) Gillingham North.
iv) Gillingham South.
v) Luton.
vi) Strood North and Frindsbury.
vii) Watling.

The effect of the Direction is that development of the type specified in the Schedule to this notice may no longer be carried out as permitted development within the Land, as set out above and more particularly shown edged red on the maps attached to this notice, from the date that this Direction comes into effect. After this date, before such development can be undertaken, it will be necessary to apply to the Council for planning permission.

The Direction comes into effect on **22 January 2026** but the Council will formally consider any objections to the making of the Direction that are submitted before 25 February 2026 and decide whether or not to confirm the Direction in the light of such objections. Any objection must be submitted by email to planning.representations@medway.gov.uk or in writing and submitted to Planning Services, Medway Council, Gun Wharf, Dock Road, Chatham, Kent, ME4 4TR. A copy of the Direction and maps defining the Wards to which it relates can be inspected at the Council Offices at such times as it is open to the public or on the following link:

https://www.medway.gov.uk/info/200147/applying_for_planning_permission/553/article_4_directions/2

A further notice will be published in due course stating whether or not the Direction has been confirmed by the Council.

SCHEDULE

Development for which planning permission will be required:

In respect of the Land, the following permitted development right within Part 3 of Schedule 2 of the Order is withdrawn:

Development consisting of a change of use of a building and any land within its curtilage from a use falling within Class C3 (Dwelling Houses) of the Schedule of the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 (as amended) to a use falling within Class C4 (Houses in Multiple Occupation) of that Schedule, being development comprised within Class L(b) of Part 3 of Schedule 2 of the Order and not being development comprised within any other Class.

MADE under the COMMON SEAL of MEDWAY COUNCIL this 14 day of January 2026.

The COMMON SEAL of the Council was affixed in the presence of:

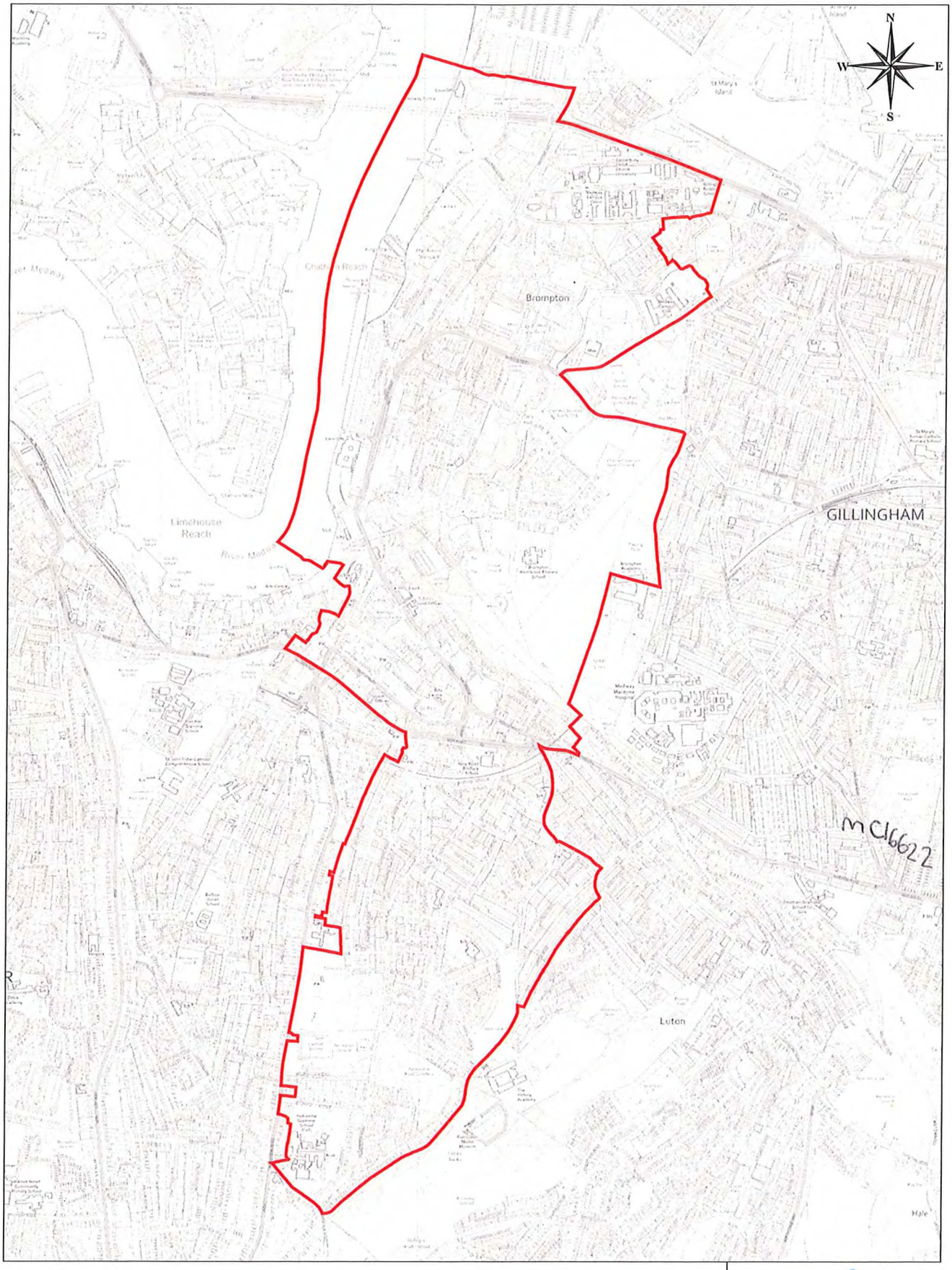
MC16622

The Foregoing Article 4 Direction is hereby confirmed.

Authorised signatory

Dated 20/1/2026

MC16961



Chatham Central and Brompton

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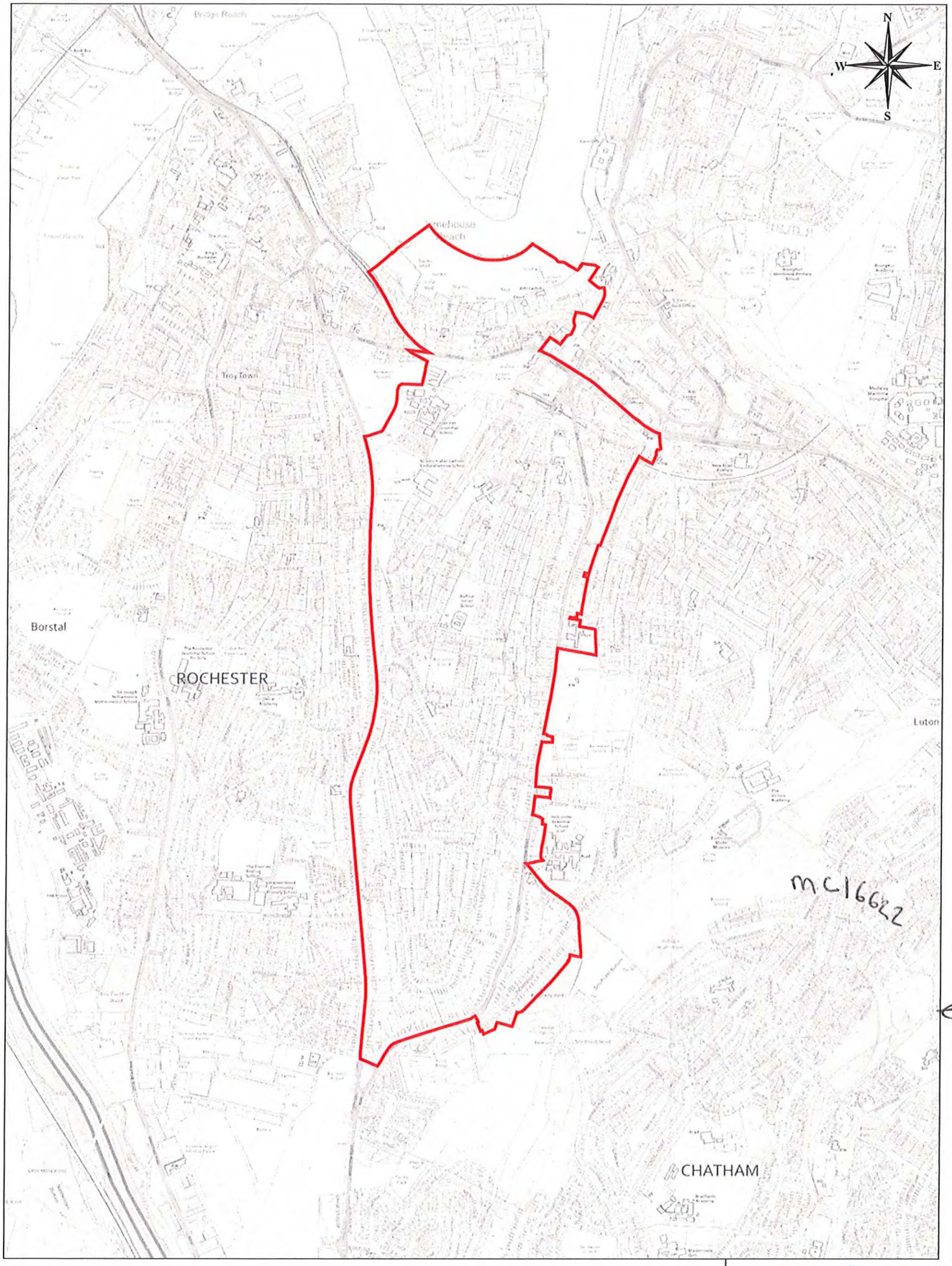

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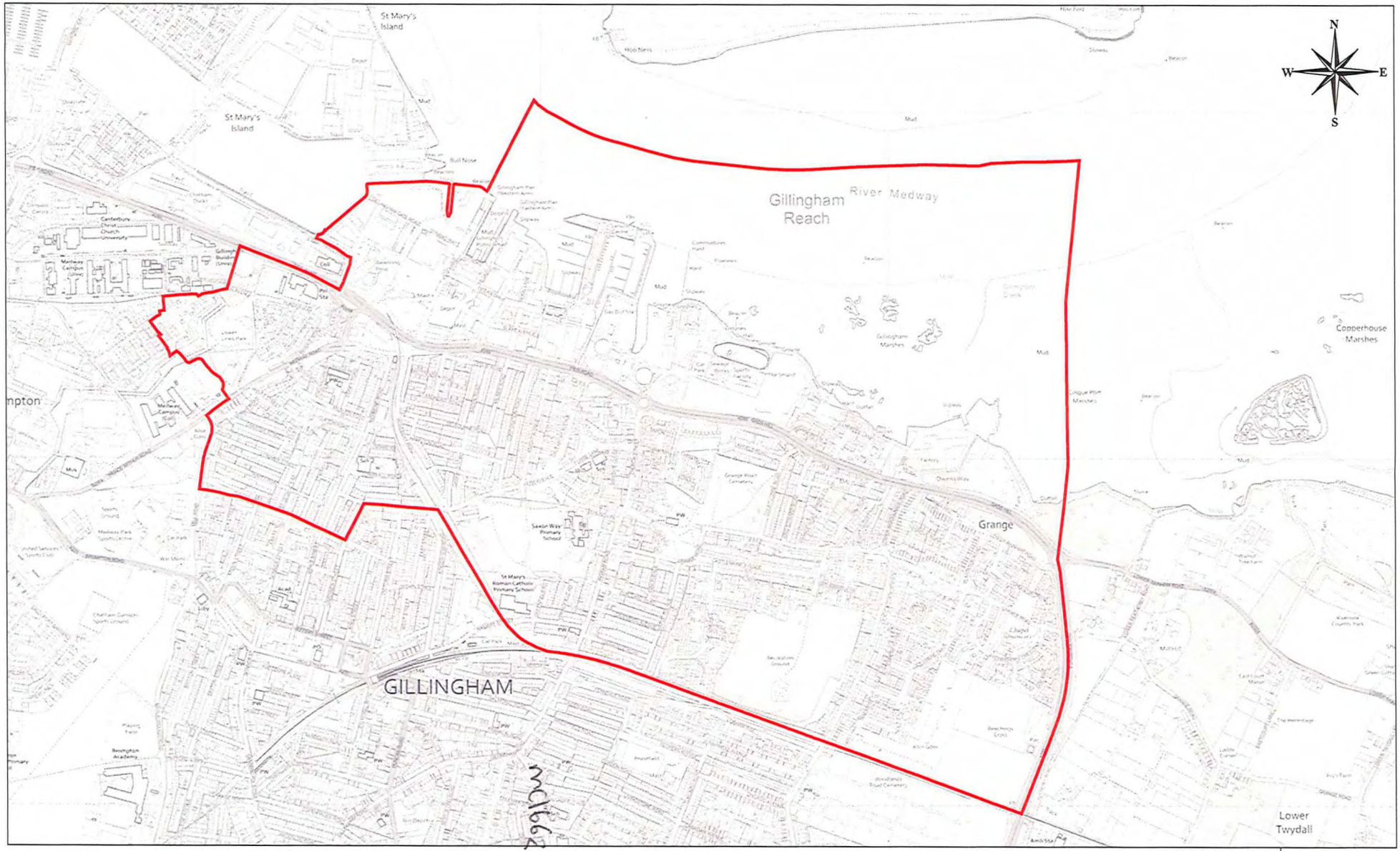

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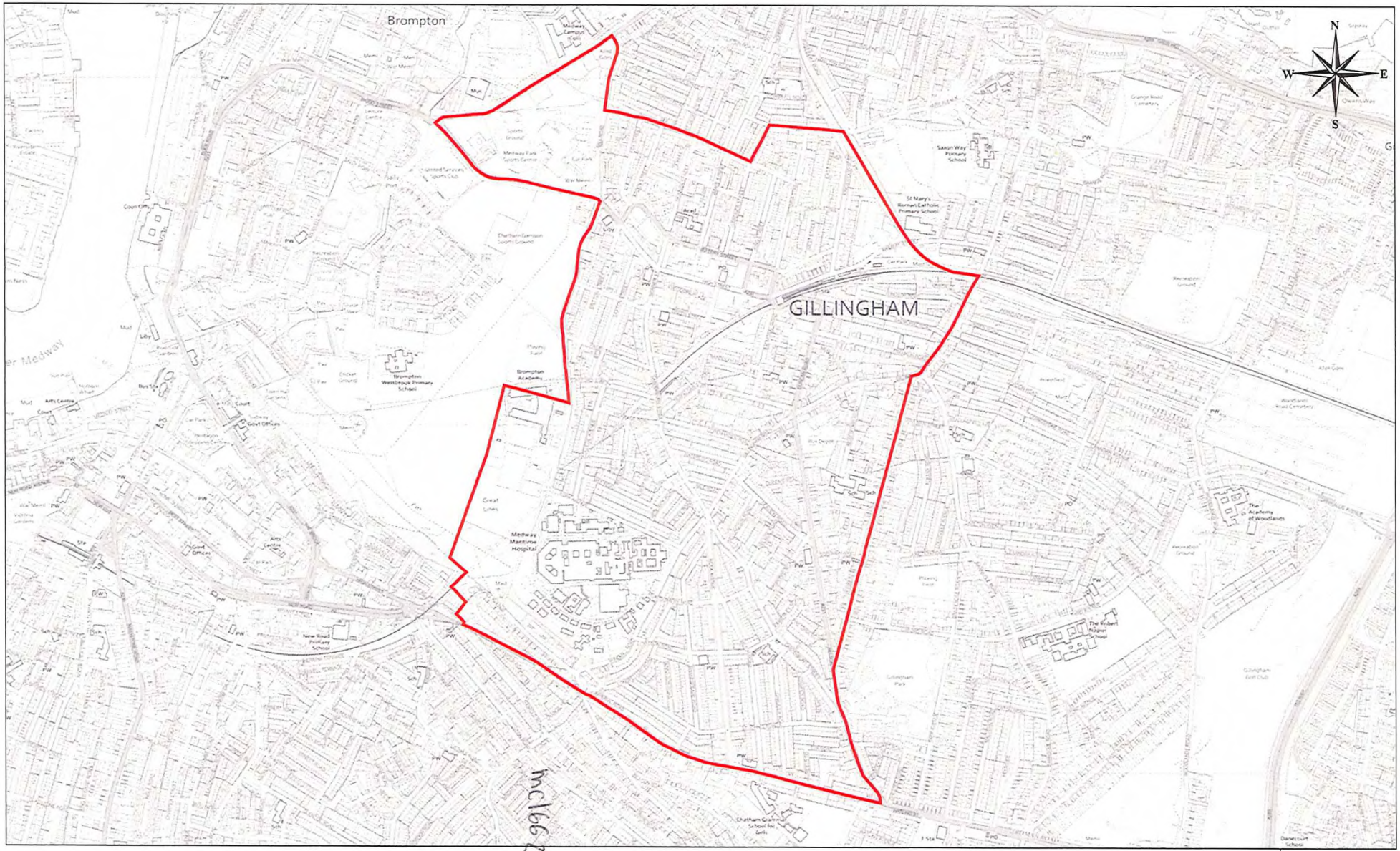

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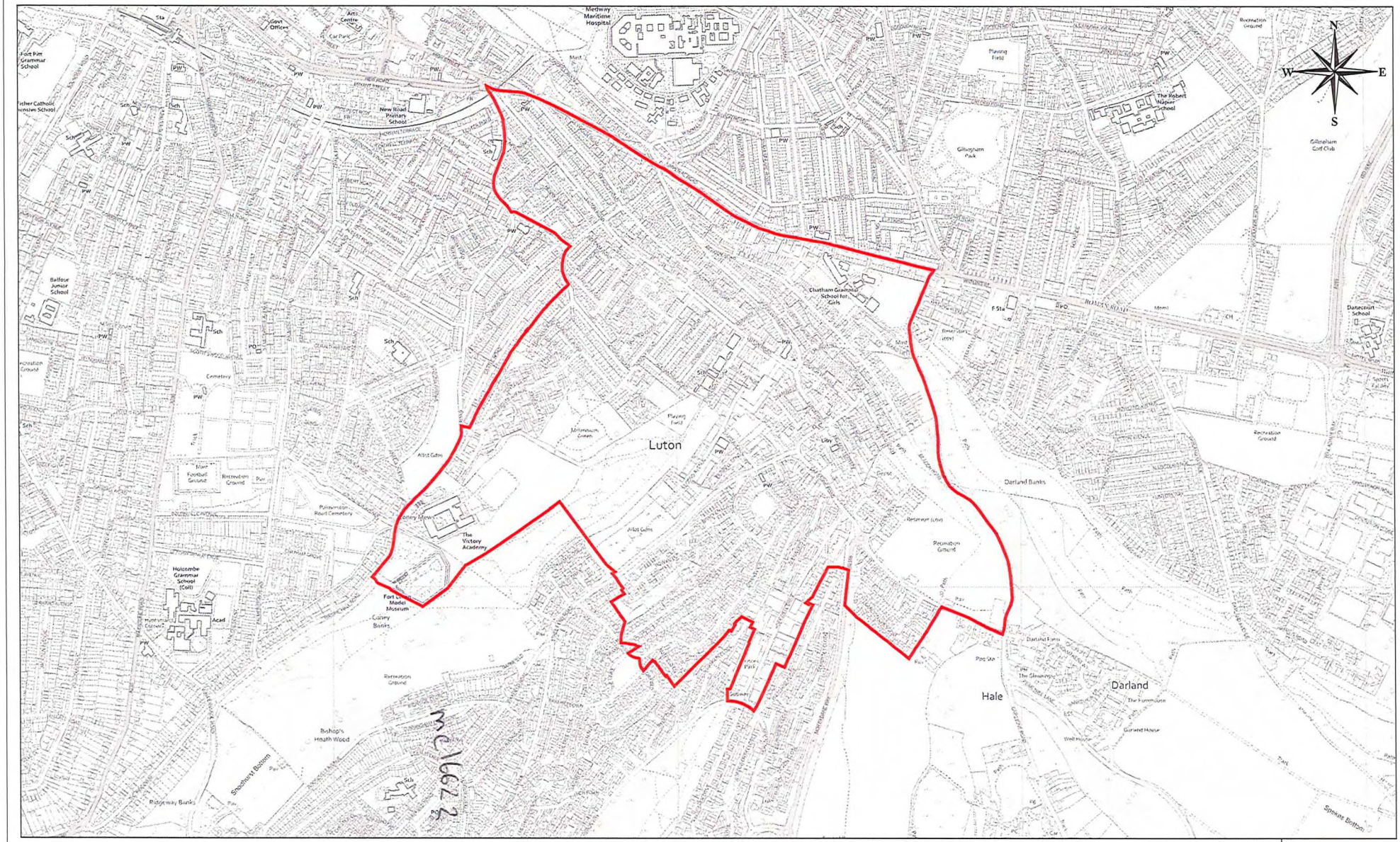

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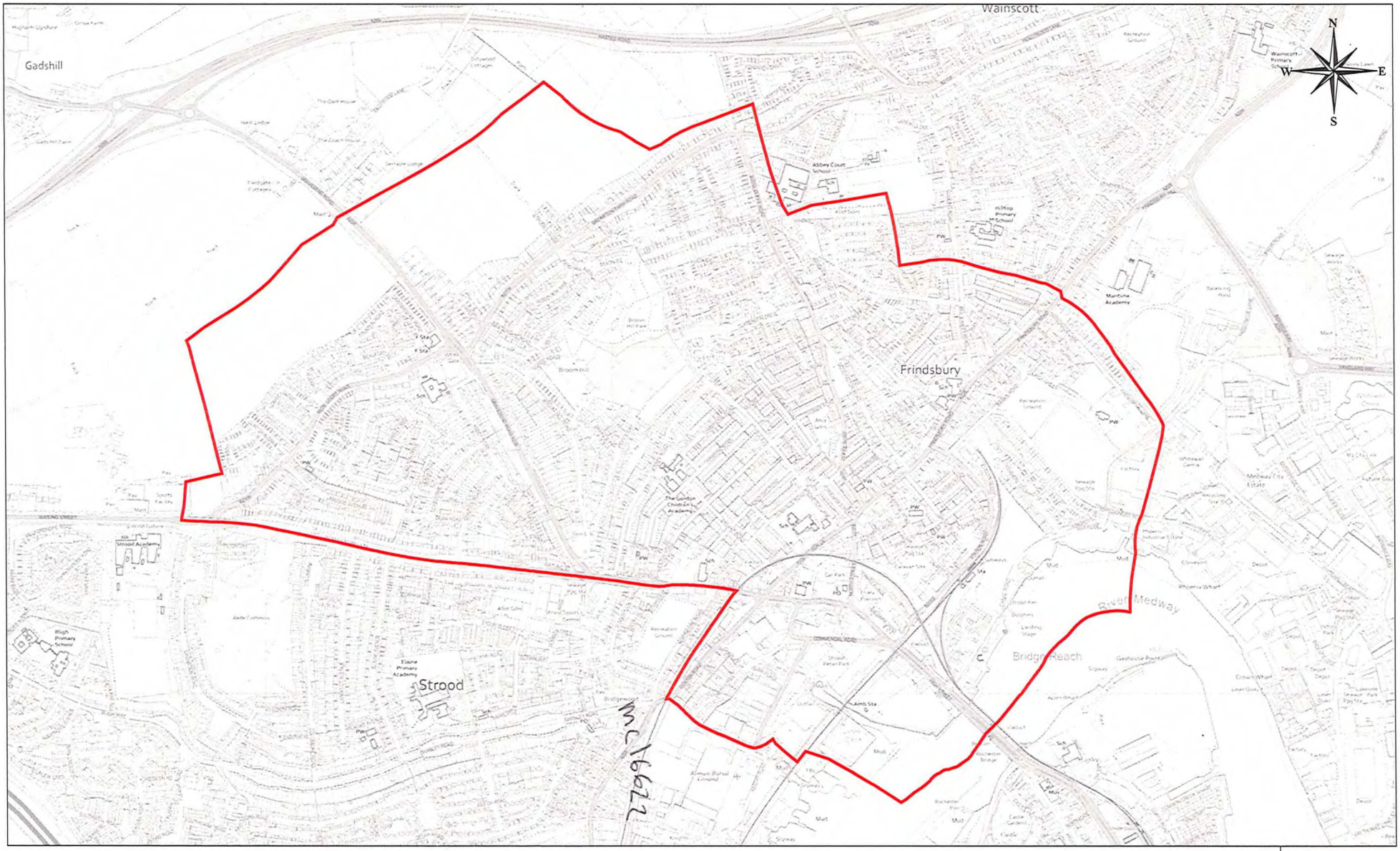

Strood North and Frindsbury

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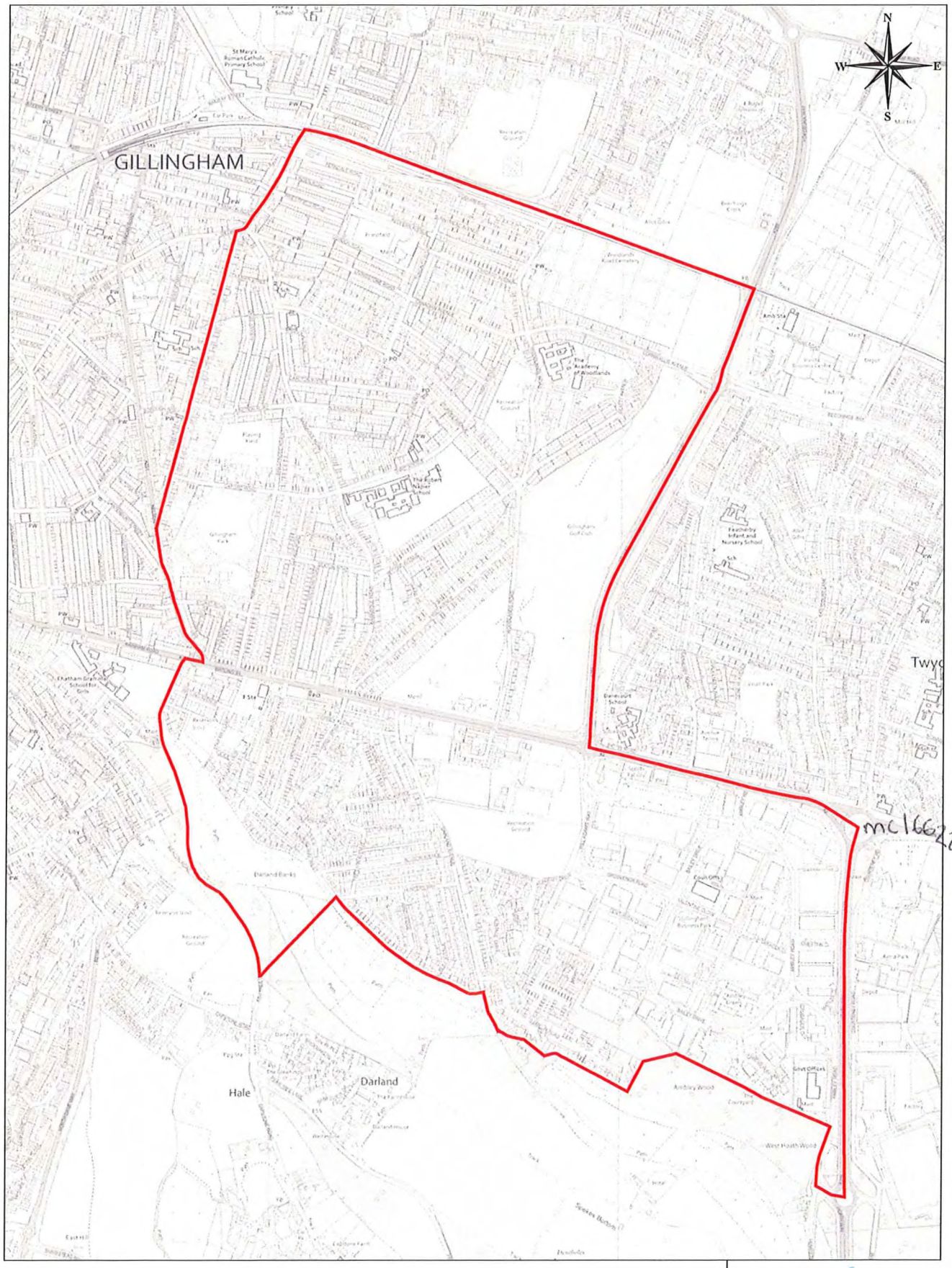

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