

# Heritage Statement - Addendum

Site	Colney Hall, Watton Road, Colney
Policy	GNLP0253
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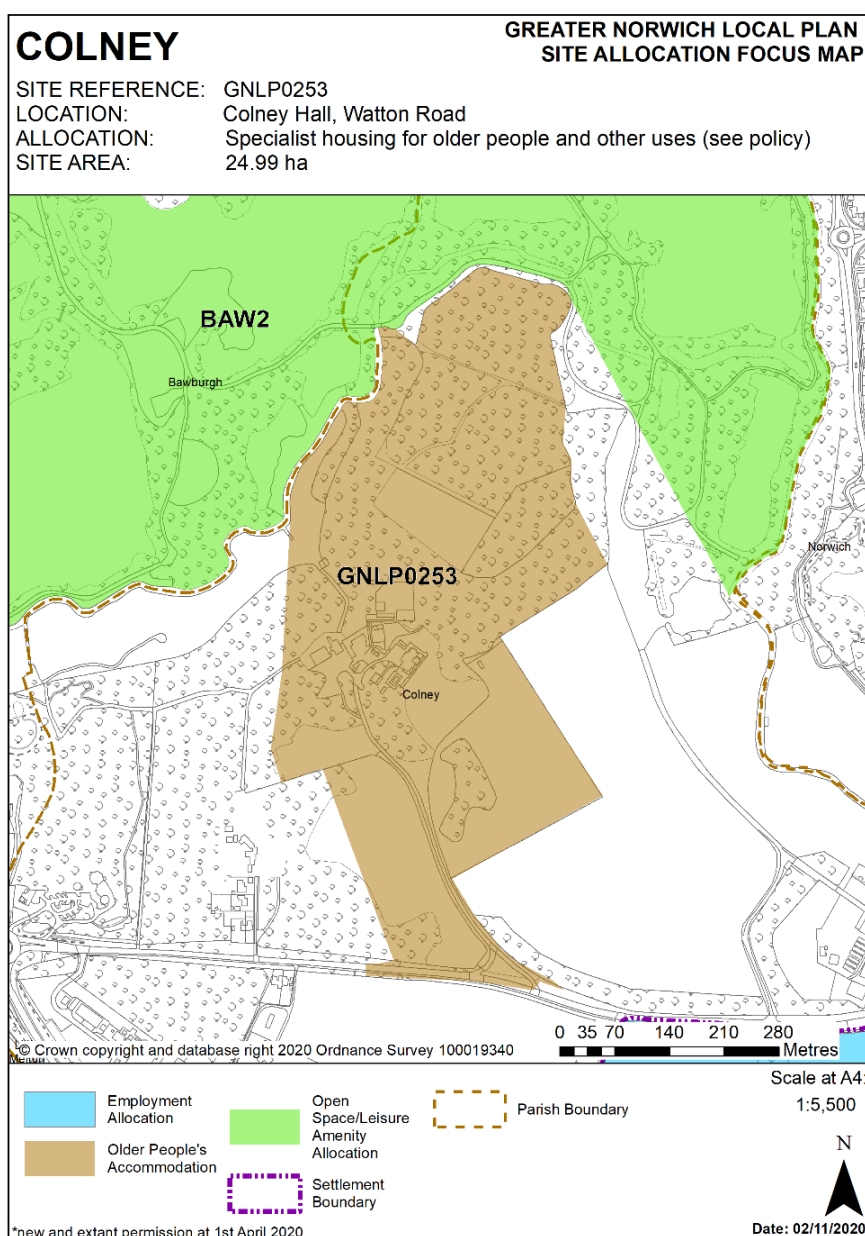


Figure 1: Site allocation

## 1. Reason for Addendum to Heritage Statement

1.1. As part of its involvement in the plan process, Historic England has suggested that the Heritage Statement would benefit from some additional information *“the historic gardens and parkland setting has not been fully explored in the Heritage Statement. It is also important that any new development conserves and enhances this historic garden and parkland setting” (Statement of Common Ground with Historic England on Part 2 Site Allocations).*

. Additional information regarding the historic gardens and parkland setting is provided below.

## 2. Additional Information

2.1. Colney park is not designated in Historic England’s Register of Parks and Gardens of Special Historic Interest in England. As a private property, there is not a substantial body of published information relating to this parkland setting. However, Norfolk Heritage Explorer website provides some useful information about Colney Park, collated in 1994 and 1998. Colney Park is NHER record number 30499:

*The Park existed before 1794. Conifer woods were introduced after 1834. Exotic planting, pleasure grounds, estate buildings date between 1834 and 1906. Walled gardens predate 1834; present kitchen garden late 19<sup>th</sup> century. [Edward] Boardman [pre-eminent Norwich Architect in the second half of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century] worked in gardens 1885 probably designing the sunken gardens. Subterranean walk, grotto, rockery, aviary and menagerie added, [however the rockery and aviary no longer remain]. Vinery and yew hedges remain.*

*The subterranean walk leads into the grotto in the house from outside and is an artificial cave of Pulhamite with an inscribed plaque, possibly children’s names. The menagerie is a red brick building resembling an orangery in which it is said two lions were kept who killed the heir to the estate.*

## 3. Summary

3.1. The additional information is provided for detail, it is not considered to affect the conclusions drawn in the Heritage Statement other than it is accepted that development should also have regard to the significance of the historic parkland and garden and its setting as a non-designated heritage asset, as well as its group value with other identified heritage assets within the site.

## 4. References

Norfolk Heritage Explorer <https://www.heritage.norfolk.gov.uk/record-details?mnf30499>