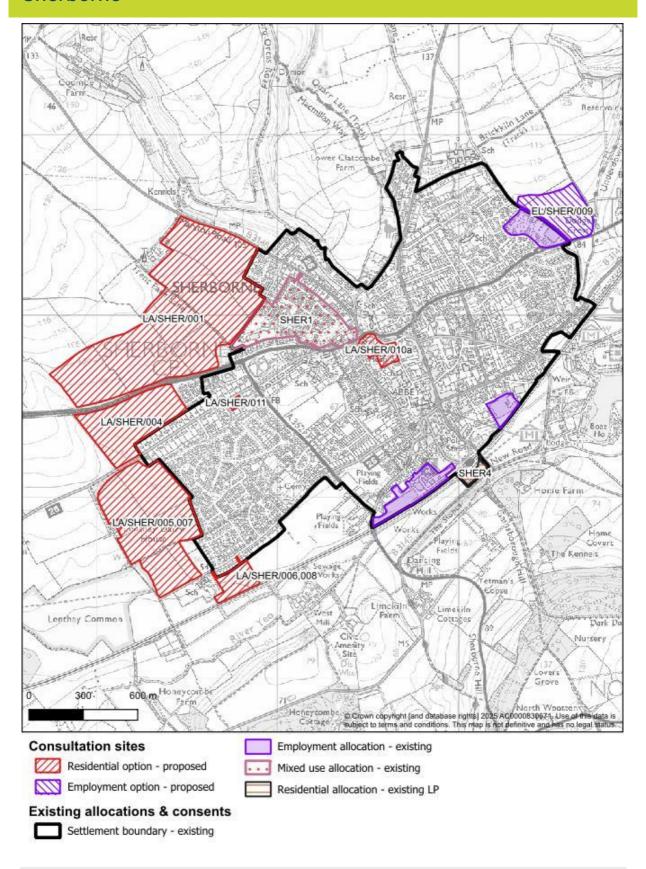
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## EL/SHER/009 - Land adj Coldharbour

Site name	Land adj Coldharbour
Site reference	EL/SHER/009
Total site area (ha)	7.15
Parish/Settlement	Sherborne
Proposed uses	Employment
Greenfield/Brownfield	Greenfield

Consideration	Summary	Proposed approach
Proposal	Employment uses: primarily within the Eg, B2 and B8 use classes (office, research, industrial, storage, distribution) as well as other compatible employment types.	
	Site could support the expansion of the adjoining existing employment area.	
Specific design requirements	Edge of town location (field on the northeast edge of Sherborne).	Appropriate scale, layout and density of development for the edge of town location and neighbouring land uses.
	Adjacent to existing employment development to the west (Coldharbour Business Park), bounded to the north by large open arable fields and the A30 in the south.	
Natural environment and ecology	Potential priority habitat hedgerows.	Retain boundary hedgerows, further ecological survey to identify priority habitats.
	Somerset Levels & Moors	
	Ramsar Nutrient Catchment.	Requirement for nutrient neutrality will vary with use type. Where necessary, development will need to ensure nitrogen and/or phosphate neutrality.
Landscape and visual	Potential landscape character impacts.	Further landscape and visual impact assessment likely to be
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	The site is situated in the rising north slope of the River Yeo Valley and there are likely to be clear views from the rising	respect the landscape character. Retain and enhance boundary screening.

	South slope of the Valley and	Add substantial buffer planting to
	from within the Registered	the south and east boundaries.
	Park and Garden of Sherborne	Include bands of east west
	Castle.	planting within development to
		break up visual massing and
	Field is bounded by well-	mitigate impacts of
	trimmed hedgerows.	development.
Heritage	Potential direct or indirect	Thoroughly assess asset's
Tromago	impacts (setting) on	significance and potential
	designated heritage assets	impacts of development and
	including Listed buildings and	minimise conflict between
	Registered parks and Gardens.	potential development and the
	Registered parks and Gardens.	heritage assets designation
	The site is close to Blackmarsh	(including its setting).
	Farmhouse and Barn to the	(including its setting).
	east are Grade II listed. The	Consitive design to evoid or
		Sensitive design to avoid or
	site may be visible from the	minimise conflict between
	Grade I Registered Park and	potential development and the
	garden of Sherborne Castle.	heritage assets designation
e		(including its setting).
Flood risk	Area of surface water flooding	Surface water discharge location
	adjoining western boundary.	to be identified
		Infiltration into soil may need to
		be investigated (including winter
A		groundwater monitoring).
Amenity, health,	No specific issues identified	
education		
Transport (access	Need for suitable vehicular	Provision of vehicular, cycle, and
and movement)	access and pedestrian/cycle	pedestrian access.
	connections.	
		Retain existing right of way.
	Public Right of Way along site	
	boundaries.	
Other issues	Site is within a Minerals and	Discussion with Mineral Planning
	Waste Safeguarding Area.	Authority will be required.
	Western part of the site is	Investigation and assessment to
	within a Ground Water Source	determine the potential impact of
	Protection Zone.	development on the water source
		and to identify appropriate
		mitigation.