

Chapter 23 Western Parishes

Wragby East Barkwith

Chapter 23

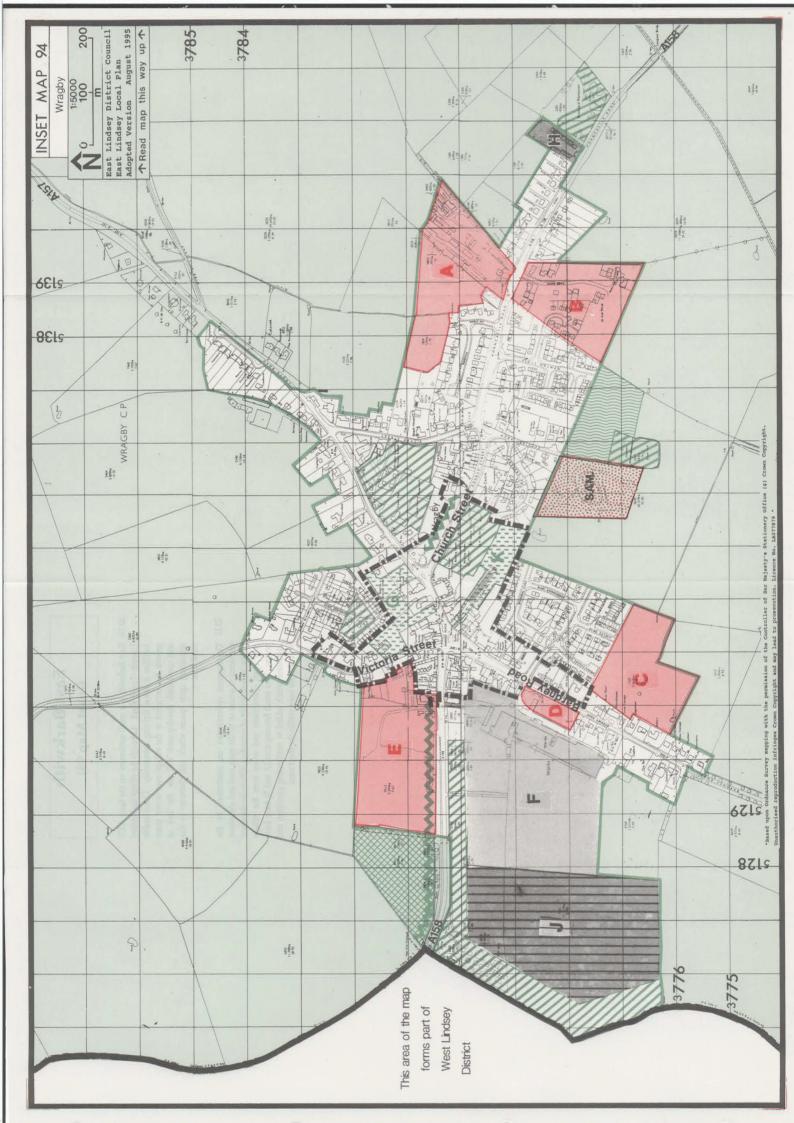
Western Parishes Area

- 23.1. The settlements of the Western Parishes area lie on the fringe of the catchment area of Lincoln which provides for the majority of this area's principal services.
- 23.2. As the only main village and settlement of any notable size in the area, Wragby assumes the role of providing for the daily or local needs of the sub area. It is also well placed on a principal road linking directly to Lincoln to cater for any long term "over-spill" population or employment needs of Lincoln.
- 23.3. Already, building land is at a premium within the City of Lincoln and the West Lindsey District Council's Southern and Eastern Local Plans have identified a growing pressure for housing development in those areas which are very close to Lincoln and can be seen almost as physical suburbs of it. The Plan anticipates future pressure on Wragby and makes balanced provision accordingly terms additional land for housing, employment, redevelopment environmental and improvements.

Wragby (Inset Map 94)

- 23.4. The Council feels that Wragby may come under increasing pressure for housing development because of the emerging shortage of housing land in Lincoln. At the same time it is well positioned on direct routes to Lincoln and the East Midlands to develop a stronger commercial base.
- 23.5. It already boasts a variety of businesses more than a normal main village. Planning permission also exists for a 35 acres industrial site off the Lincoln Road (Sites F and J). The Council will prepare a Brief for this site to show how it can best be developed partly as a business park.
- 23.6. Whilst part of the site (Site F) can be expected to cater for general industrial employment needs, that part of the site (Site J), with a more rural outlook, should be developed more as a high quality, heavily landscaped business park taking advantage of its proximity to Lincoln and main road connections to the East Midlands region. At the same time, Site H is identified as having potential for further development or redevelopment for small-scale rural business.
- 23.7. The Council also recognises that an expansion of Wragby's role should also be matched by essential environmental and improvements and traffic consolidation of community facilities. The Plan identifies sites for redevelopment and environmental improvement ENV14) and Briefs will be prepared to show how this can best be achieved. The also recognises the need opportunity to improve the village centre character by identifying it as a potential Conservation Area and by a commitment, in the Traffic Management section in Part One, to resolving the traffic problems of the market place.

- 23.8. Housing sites are allocated throughout the village at A,B,C,D and E with the aim of allowing a variety and choice of site to cater for the expected increase in housing demand. Briefs will be prepared by the Council's Planning Policy Team to ensure that development caters also for local needs, provides adequate open space and fits in with the character of the village.
- 23.9. With the expected growth of the village the importance of amenity open space and community facilities will increase accordingly. The Plan therefore identifies those existing areas of open space which provide an essential amenity role and should be protected from harmful development under Policy ENV20. It also suggests locations for the provision of additional community open space for both amenity and recreational purposes (Policy REC2).



East Barkwith (Inset Map 95)

- 23.10. East Barkwith is a small settlement on the busy A157 Lincoln Louth Road. Although the village has limited facilities it has a thriving community. Considerable growth has occurred in the village over recent years and continued development will see the loss of remaining open spaces which add character to this rural area.
- 23.11. Development opportunities are constrained by the problems of access onto the main road and elsewhere by the undesirability of extending ribbon development into open countryside and away from the village centre. Two small sites (A and B) have been identified which added to outstanding provision and will cater for need within the short term.

