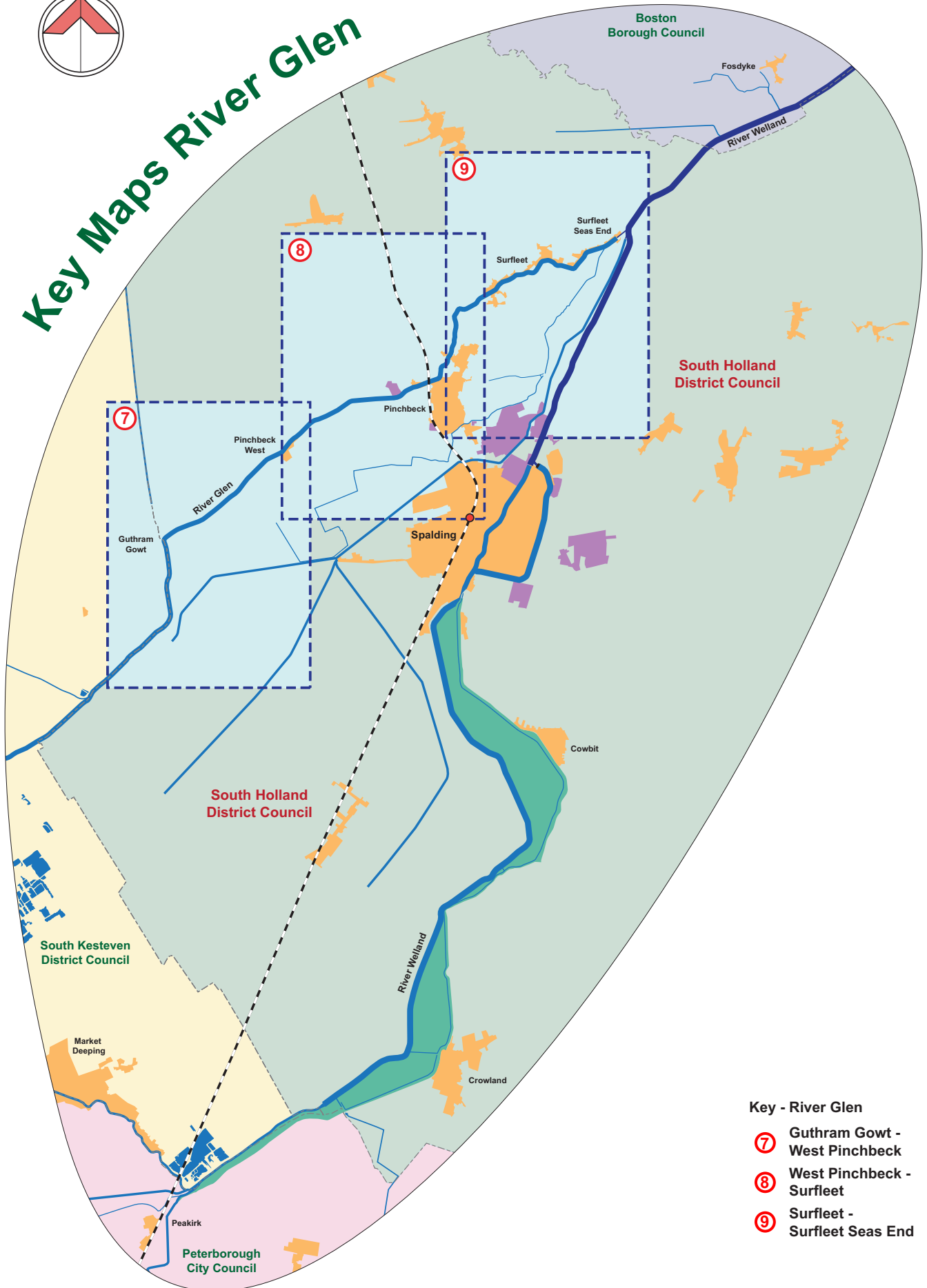




# Key Maps River Glen

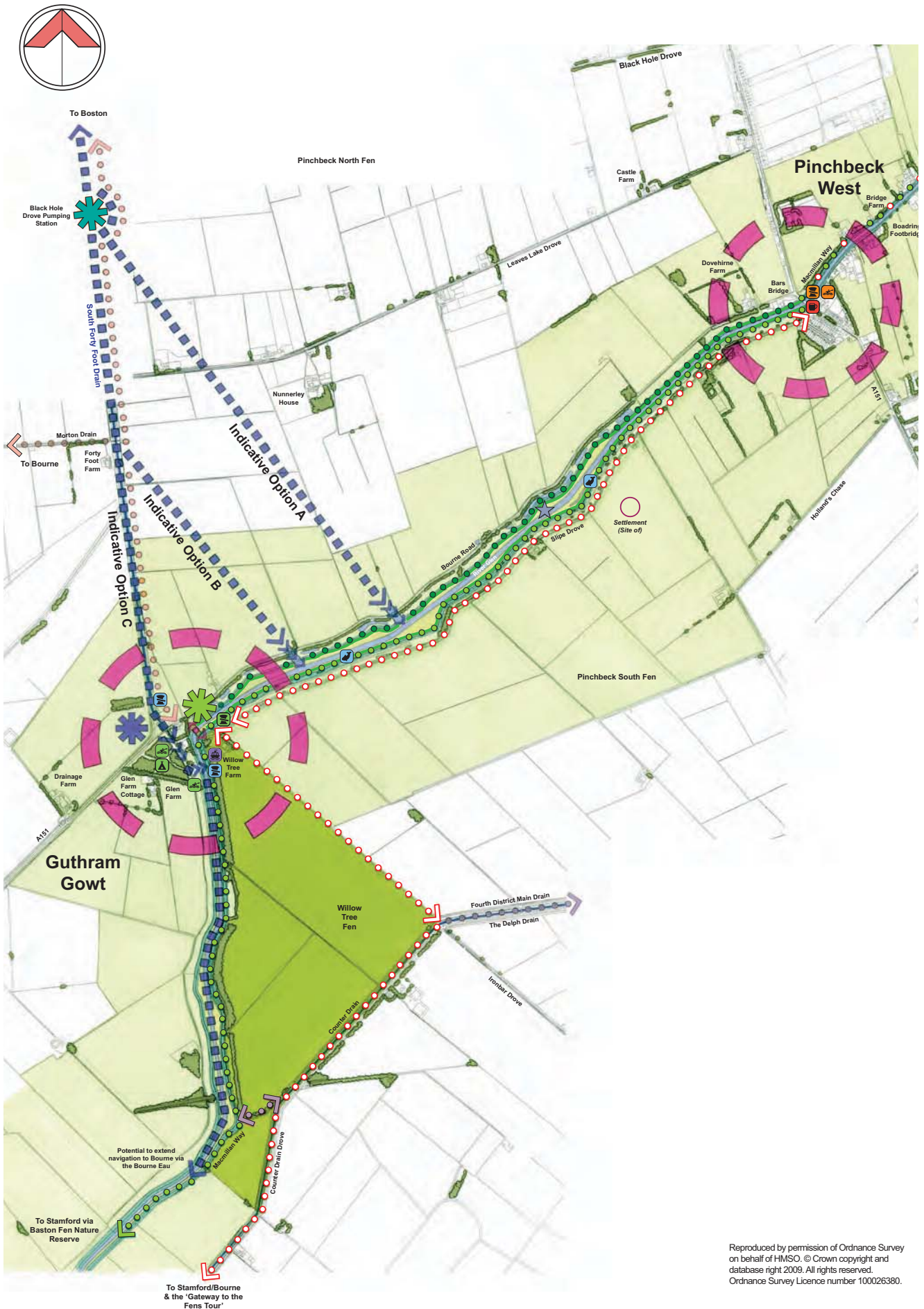


**Key - River Glen**

- ⑦** Guthram Gowt - West Pinchbeck
- ⑧** West Pinchbeck - Surfleet
- ⑨** Surfleet - Surfleet Seas End






























**River Glen**  
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**Key**

	Existing Watercourse - River Glen
	Existing Vegetation
	Existing Agricultural Land
	Scheduled Ancient Monument
	Site of Local Nature Conservation Importance (SLCI)
	Existing Black Drove Pumping Station
	Existing Public Right of Way & Other Public Access
	The Macmillan Way
	Pub (New Bridge Inn, Closed)
	Proposed Area of Waterfront Focus
	Proposed Navigable Waterway
	Proposed Lock Structure
	Proposed Offline Moorings/Marina
	Existing Moorings (To be developed)
	Proposed Online Moorings
	Proposed Operational Moorings
	Proposed Trip Boat (Willow Tree Farm)
	Proposed Canoe Launching Point
	Proposed Camp Site
	Proposed Multi-user Route
	Proposed Public Right of Way Connections
	Proposed Cycleway
	Proposed Bridge
	Willow Tree Fen
	Lincolnshire Wildlife Nature Reserve Willow Tree Fen Visitor Centre
	Proposed Fish Refuge
	Existing Fishery

**Guthram Gowt**

Guthram Gowt is an isolated area on the A151. The proposed waterway connection between the Black Sluice Navigation and the River Glen maybe located nearby. However, as a very narrow navigation, options may be limited. The Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust has recently acquired Willow Tree Farm as a nature reserve for the creation of wetland habitat. This will develop as a visitor attraction and is part of the ‘Gateway to the Fens Tour.’ A visitor centre is suggested north of the River Glen, which will benefit from good road access and visibility. A footbridge across the river would provide access to the reserve and link the Macmillan Way with new multi-user paths planned along the Black Sluice Navigation.

**Proposals are:**

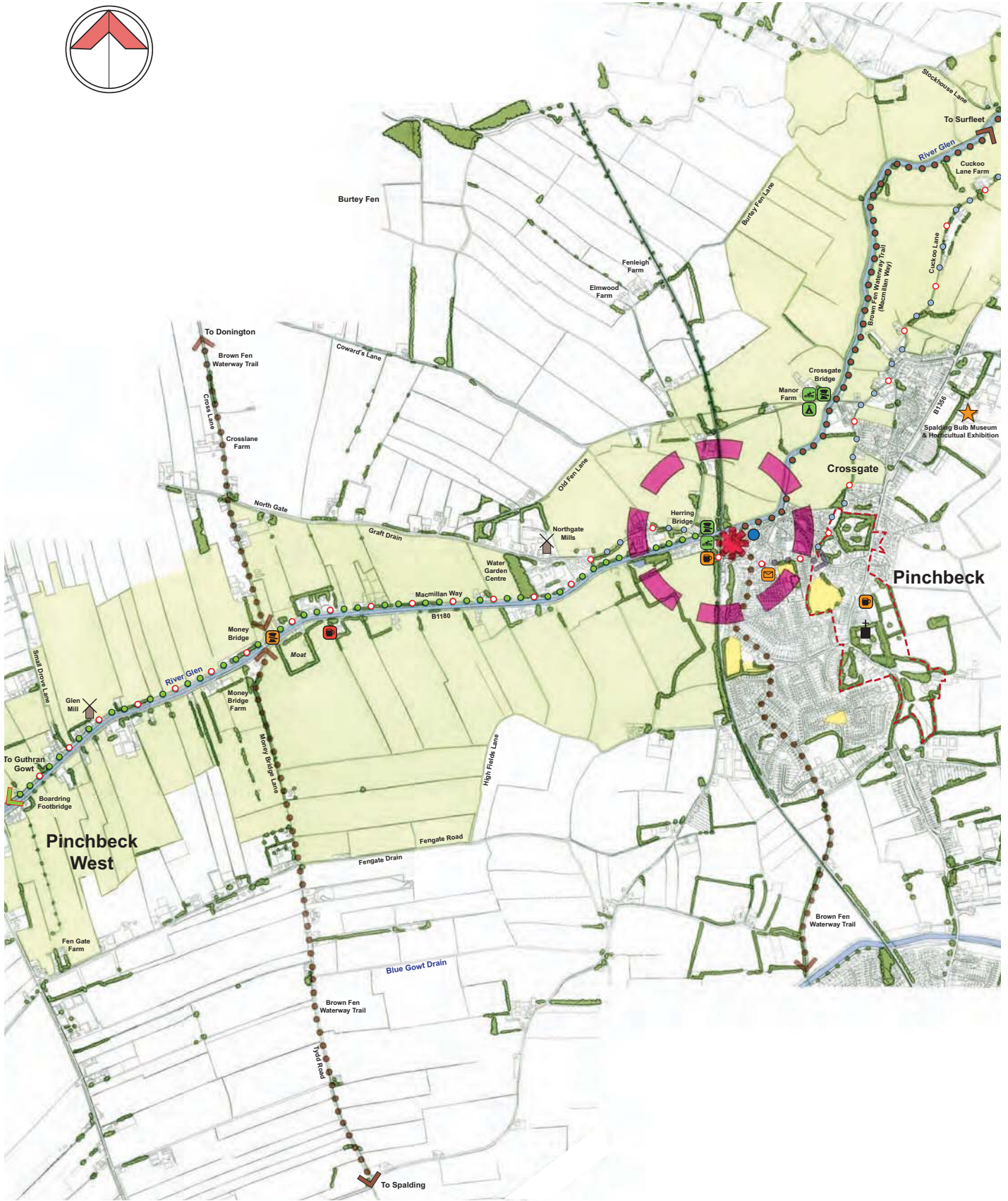
- Visitor moorings to Willow Tree Fen Nature Reserve
- Holding moorings between waterway connections
- Canoe access and portage
- Off-line moorings could be considered in the long-term
- Develop trip/education boat run from Willow Tree Fen to emphasise the ecology of the River Glen and introduce the ‘Gateway to the Fens Tour,’ linking with Windmill Farm at Baston Fen.
- Develop waterway connections to Bourne for canoeing with long-term aspirations for cruising.
- Develop camp/bunkhouse could be considered as part of Willow Tree Fen for touring canoeists, walkers and cyclists. Flood risk should play an essential part in determining the appropriateness of such a development which lies behind the raised defences of the River Glen.
- Create circular walks from Bourne via the River Glen to connect with Guthram Gowt and the Black Sluice Navigation.
- Develop off-road cycle route along Slipe Drove to create an east-west route along the River Glen to connect NCR No.1 with Guthram Gowt, Bourne and Stamford.

**Pinchbeck West**

Pinchbeck West is a small hamlet on of the River Glen and is the first settlement reached when navigating from Guthram Gowt. It is identified in the South Holland Local Plan as a minor navigational hub with mooring for ten boats and ‘washout’ facilities. The EA has recently constructed a short length of public visitor moorings with a canoe access point downstream of Bars Bridge.
























**Proposals are:**

- Improve signage and access points to the Macmillan Way.
- Develop a multi-user path along the north side of the river to create an off-road cycle route within the river corridor’s boundaries.
- The New Bridge Inn located on the south side of Bars Bridge has regrettably closed and its future is uncertain. Potential for future pub development with camping barn accommodation.



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**Key**

-  Existing Watercourse - River Glen
-  Existing Vegetation
-  Existing Agricultural Land
-  Conservation Area
-  Open Land
-  Existing Public Right of Way & Other Public Access
-  The Macmillan Way
-  The Brown Fen Waterway Trail
-  Pinchbeck to Surfleet Riverside Walk
-  Pub (The Ship)
-  Pub (Closed)
-  Proposed Area of Waterfront Focus
-  Proposed Waterfront Development
-  Existing Moorings
-  Proposed Online Moorings
-  Proposed Canoe Launching Point
-  Proposed Camp Site/Bunkhouse
-  Proposed Public Right of Way Connections
-  Proposed Cycleway
-  Water Tower
-  Church
-  Post Office
-  Museum

**Money Bridge**

Money Bridge midway between Pinchbeck West and Pinchbeck provides a crossing point for the B1180. It also provides a junction between the Macmillan Way running east-west along the River Glen and the Brown Fen Waterway Trail running north-south from Boston via Donington to Spalding.

**Proposals are:**

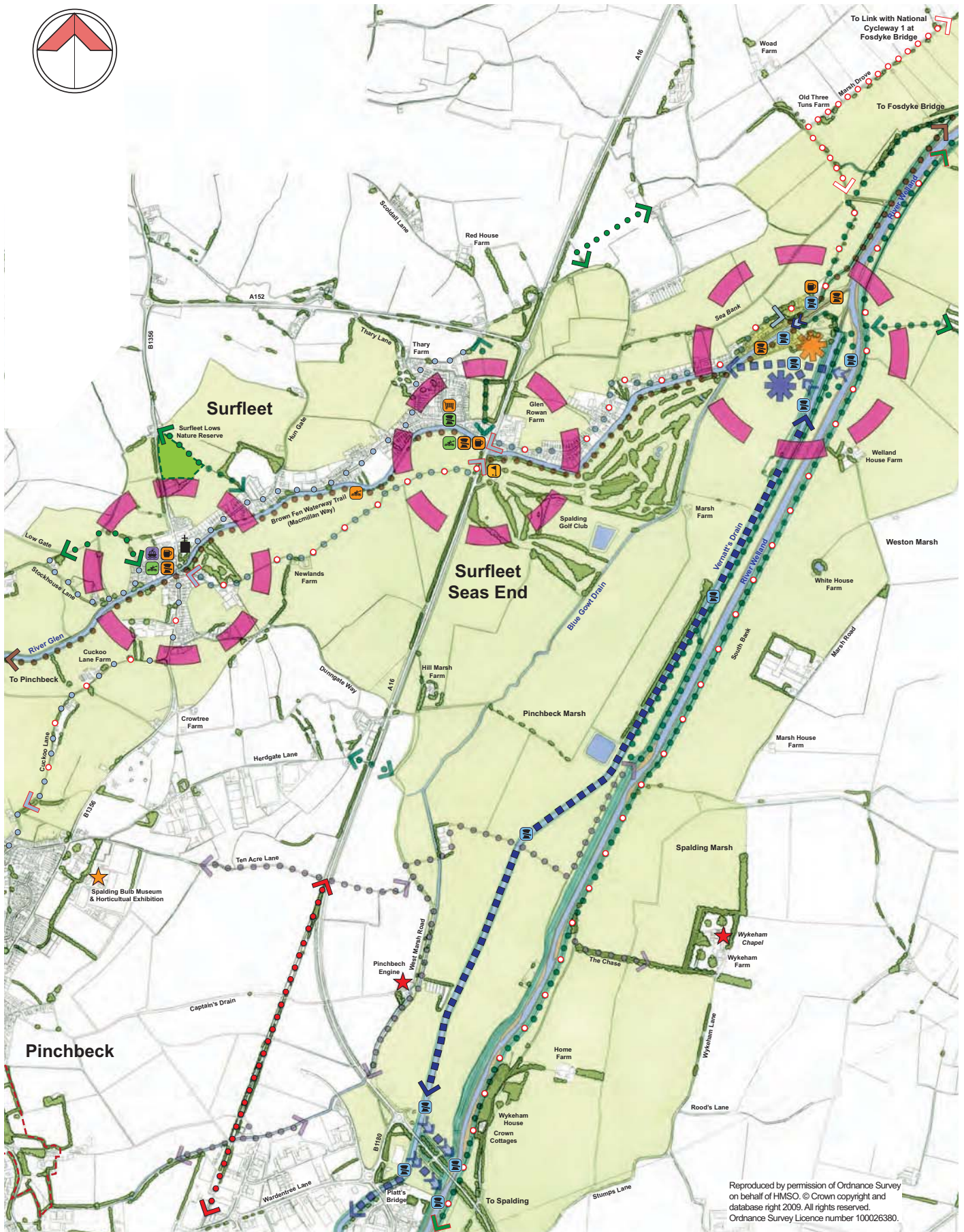
- Develop overgrown quayside and access steps to provide connection with the existing long-distance footpath network.

**Pinchbeck**

Pinchbeck dates back to Anglo Saxon times and is located two miles to the north of Spalding. The River Glen flows around the village's northern boundary. The Spalding to Sleaford railway line crosses the River to the west of Pinchbeck dividing the village from the Ship Inn, an attractive thatched waterside pub.































**Proposals are:**

- The location of the Ship Inn provides an opportunity for visitor moorings, canoe access and the creation of an attractive waterside setting to the Pub.
- Small scale waterfront development downstream of the railway bridge, on site of the former village quay. This brownfield development could include moorings, a canoe access point and access to the Macmillan Way. The village centre is within easy walking distance. It has a church, post office, several shops including a renowned butchers and provides access to the Spalding Bulb Museum.
- One of the main issues is the railway line, which cuts the pub off from the village. The provision of a pontoon walkway under the railway bridge would link the pub to the new waterfront development and enhance connections with the Macmillan Way and village centre.
- Improved access and signage to the Macmillan Way and Brown Fen Waterway Trail.
- Upgrade the Pinchbeck and Surfleet Millennium Trail to become a multi-user path by incorporating a cycleway.
- The outbuildings to Manor Farm are semi-derelict; potential to establish visitor moorings & canoe access at Crossgate Bridge. Investigate whether Manor Farm could provide visitor accommodation e.g. camping/bunkhouse.



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**Key**

-  Tidal River Welland
-  Existing Watercourses - River Glen & Vernatt's Drain
-  Existing Vegetation
-  Existing Agricultural Land
-  Conservation Area
-  Flood Plain & Flood Storage Wash
-  Site of National Nature Conservation Interest (SSSI)
-  Site of Local Nature Conservation Importance (SLNCI)
-  Existing Public Right of Way & Other Public Access
-  Existing Cycleway
-  The Brown Fen Waterway Trail & (The Macmillan Way)
-  Pinchbeck to Surfleet Riverside Walk
-  Pubs - The Mermaid Inn, The Waterside & The Ship
-  Existing Shop
-  Proposed Area of Waterfront Focus
-  Proposed Navigable Waterway
-  Proposed Lock Structure
-  Proposed Offline Marina
-  Existing Moorings
-  Existing Canoe Launching Point
-  Proposed Online Moorings
-  Proposed Operational Moorings
-  Proposed Canoe Launching Point
-  Proposed Public Right of Way Connections
-  Proposed Cycleway
-  Proposed Holiday Lodge Development
-  Place of Historic Interest
-  Museum
-  Church (St. Laurence's)
-  Spalding Golf Course

**Surfleet**

Surfleet lies 3 miles north of Spalding and has developed in a linear pattern along the north bank of the River Glen between the B1356 and the A16. The village church of St Lawrence Church has a dramatic lean to its spire and is a well-known landmark.

The Mermaid Inn, upstream of the Iron Bridge has visitor moorings, which are accessed through the pub's gardens, for patrons. A small trip boat has in the past run from here to Surfleet Seas End and Pinchbeck. The LWP has recently constructed a slipway to the south of the river on the opposite bank to the village. A number of public footpaths serve the village, to the north the Pinchbeck and Surfleet Millennium Trail and to the south the Macmillan Way and the Brown Fen Waterway Trail.

**Proposals are:**

- A recent questionnaire for the Parish Plan showed a requirement for a footbridge to access the slipway and connect the village to the Macmillan Way and Brown Fen Waterway Trail.
- Public moorings to allow boaters to access the village stores.
- The Riverside Inn provides visitor moorings. These moorings will need to be upgraded as boat traffic increases.
- Canoe access points would be desirable at the pub locations.
- Upgrade the Macmillan Way to become a multi-user path, incorporating a cycle route.
- Signpost the Surfleet Lowes Nature Reserve to the north.

**Surfleet Seas End**

Surfleet Seas End is where the River Glen meets the Tidal River Welland. A sluice gate, which allowed the passage of boats, was first constructed in 1739. This controlled the flow of water allowing the waters to be retained in the wide stretch of river known as 'The Reservoir,' until being released on the ebb tide. The Environment Agency allows boat passage through the sluice on a falling tide in order to minimise the influx of salt water into the fluvial River Glen.

The Ship Inn is located to the north of the river opposite the tidal moorings. During the 1920's The Reservoir was a popular venue for watersports. A settlement of chalets has developed over the years, which are in an area considered susceptible to flooding. The contrasting landscapes of chalets, the jumble of moorings set within the river's reed beds and the broad panoramas over the Tidal River Welland all contribute to the areas unique character.

Surfleet Seas End will be the termination point of the next phase (Phase 3) of the Fens Waterways Link. This will link Donington Bridge on the Black Sluice Navigation to Surfleet Seas End.