



**Renfrewshire
Council**

To: Council

On: 15 December 2016

Report by: Director of Finance and Resources

Heading: Review of Polling Places and Polling Districts Following the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland- Fifth Statutory Review of Electoral Arrangements

1. Summary

- 1.1 In terms of the Representation of the People Act, 1983, as amended, local authorities are required to divide their area into polling districts for the purposes of parliamentary and other elections and to designate polling places for these polling districts and keep them under review.
- 1.2 In conducting a review, authorities must:
 - (a) seek to ensure that all electors in the constituency have such reasonable facilities for voting as are practicable in the circumstances; and
 - (b) seek to ensure that so far as is reasonable and practical, the polling places they are responsible for are accessible to all electors, including those who are disabled, and when considering the designation of a polling place, must have regard to the accessibility needs of persons with disabilities.
- 1.3 The Council at its meeting on 27th February 2014 approved a Polling Scheme agreeing the location of the polling districts, polling places and polling stations for use in all elections and referenda until the next review.

- 1.4 The Council at its meeting on 27th September 2016 noted that the Scottish Government had approved the electoral arrangements for the Renfrewshire Council area recommended by the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland and that as a result an immediate review of the Council's Polling Scheme was required. This was to enable the revised Scheme to be in place for the Local Government elections on 4th May 2017.
 - 1.5 A polling scheme and plans showing the polling places and polling district boundaries is attached as Appendices 1 and 2 for consideration and adoption
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2. **Recommendations**

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Council approve the polling districts, polling places and polling stations as set out in the Appendices to this report for use in all elections and referenda hereafter until the next review.
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3. **Background**

- 3.1 The Renfrewshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 came into force on 30 September 2016. The new electoral arrangements will apply to any election held on or after 4 May 2017. The main consequences of the Order are:
 - a) Increases the number of councillors on Renfrewshire Council from 40 to 43
 - b) Increases the number of electoral wards in the Renfrewshire Council area from 11 to 12; and
 - c) Creates an additional ward in the south east of Paisley from areas that are currently within Wards 3 and 5.

In addition there are a number of other boundary changes affecting other wards.

- 3.2 The Council's arrangements for undertaking electoral events are set out in a Polling Scheme which was approved by Council on 27 February 2014. The Polling Scheme divides the Council area into polling districts and identifies polling places for each polling district. There have been six major elections/referenda held since the adoption of the Polling Scheme. The next statutory review was due to be commenced in 2018 with a view to implementation in 2019. However, taking into account the changes set out above, an immediate review of the current Polling Scheme was required. This

has identified a number of areas where polling districts require to be redrawn as they are now dissected by the new ward boundaries.

- 3.3 In terms of the Representation of the People Act, 1983, as amended, where there is a review of the Polling Scheme, the Returning Officer is required to comment on the proposals. Although the location of the proposed polling districts and polling places are the responsibility of the local authority, the number and location of the polling stations within the polling places is the responsibility of the Returning Officer, and it is recommended by the Electoral Commission that the review process be undertaken in a joint manner in recognition of the fact that, although the Returning Officer is an officer of the local authority, it is a distinct role and the responsibility for conducting the review rests with the local authority. Accordingly, the proposals presented here represent the joint view of the officers and the Returning Officer.
- 3.4 The Boundary Commission for Scotland has commenced consultation on the 2018 review of the UK Parliament constituencies in Scotland. It is intended that there will be a reduction in the number of Scottish constituencies from 59 to 53. While that consultation is at an early stage, it is considered likely that the outcome of these consultations will see an alteration in the boundaries of the existing UK Parliament constituencies covered by the Returning Officer. That in turn may require a further review of the Polling Scheme.
- 3.5 While it is desirable to maintain existing voter arrangements, that must be balanced with the need to avoid the difficulties that can arise from voters being allocated to polling places lying out with their ward. Accordingly, the proposals presented here maintain as far as is reasonably possible existing voter arrangements. A full statutory review will be required in 2018/19. That will take in to account the outcome of the UK Parliament boundary review and will be the subject of full public consultation.
- 3.6 In conclusion therefore it is recommended that the polling districts, polling places and polling stations instanced in Appendices 1 and 2 to this report be approved for adoption.
- 3.7 It should be noted that, in accordance with normal practice, the Chief Executive is delegated to alter or amend any polling place if an approved place becomes unavailable or unviable, e.g. through fire or flood or otherwise.

Implications of the Report

1. **Financial-** There are no direct financial consequences arising from this report.

2. **HR & Organisational Development** None –

3. **Community Planning –**

Children and Young People – None

Community Care, Health & Well-being - None

Empowering our Communities – The new electoral arrangements referred to in this report are intended to improve the democratic representation of communities within Renfrewshire

Greener - None

Jobs and the Economy – None

Safer and Stronger - None

4. **Legal-** The report reflects the outcome of a statutory review of electoral arrangements undertaken to comply with the requirements of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973

5. **Property/Assets** -None –

6. **Information Technology** -None

7. **Equality & Human Rights**

(a) The Recommendations contained within this report have been assessed in relation to their impact on equalities and human rights. No negative impacts on equality groups or potential for infringement of individuals' human rights have been identified arising from the recommendations contained in the report because the report is only for noting. If required following implementation, the actual impact of the recommendations and the mitigating actions will be reviewed and monitored, and the results of the assessment will be published on the Council's website.

8. **Health & Safety** None –
 9. **Procurement** None –
 10. **Risk** -None –
 11. **Privacy Impact** - None
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List of Background Papers

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**Polling Plan
15th December 2016**

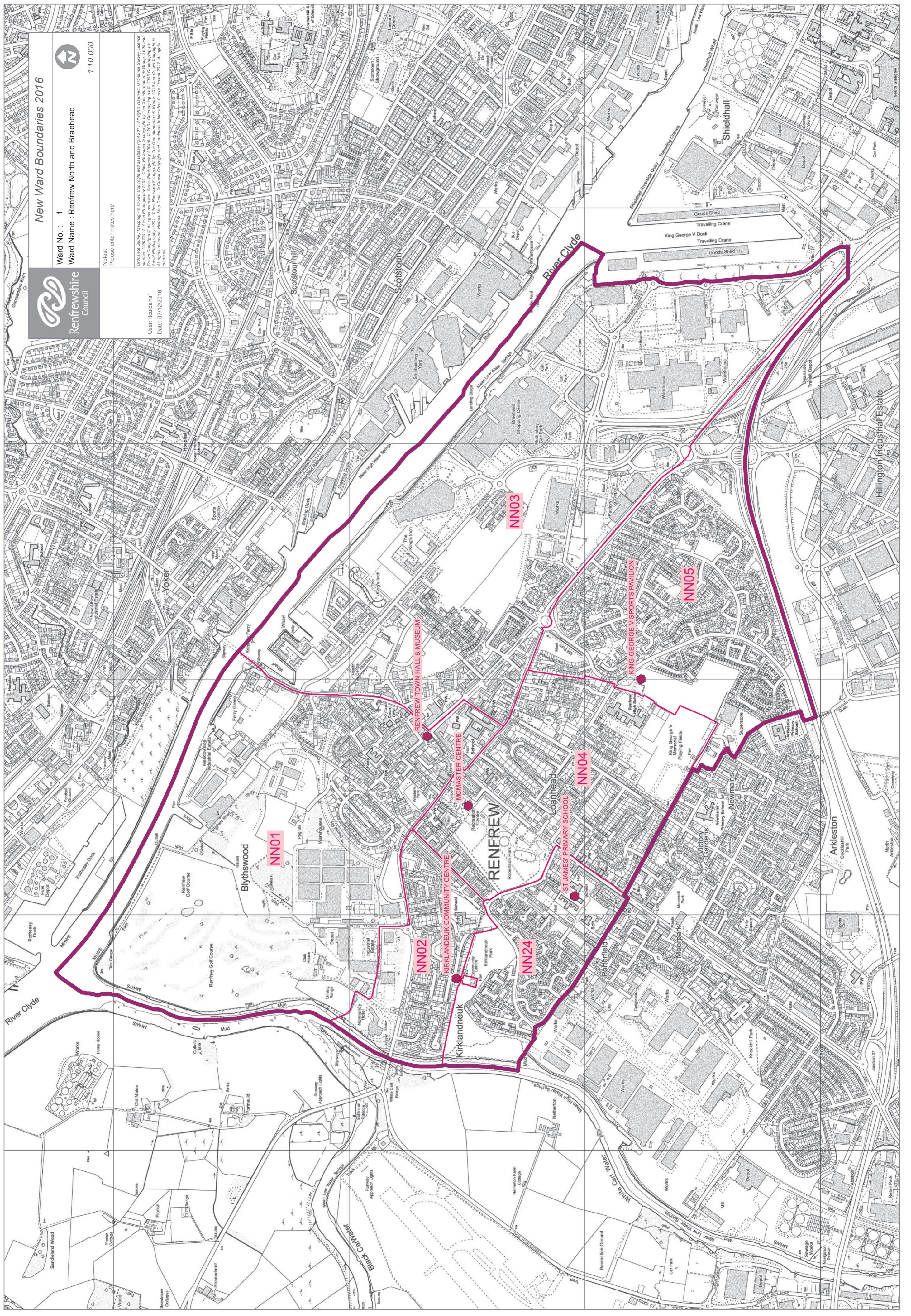
| District Code | Ward | Polling Place and address | UK Parliament/Scottish Parliament Constituency | Anticipated Number of Stations For This District |
|---------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| NN01 | Renfrew North and Braehead | Renfrew Town Hall & Museum, Renfrew Cross, Renfrew, PA4 8PF | PRN/RNW | 2 |
| NN02 | Renfrew North and Braehead | Kirklandheuk Community Centre, Ness Road, Renfrew, PA4 9DE | PRN/RNW | 2 |
| NN03 | Renfrew North and Braehead | Renfrew Town Hall & Museum, Renfrew Cross, Renfrew, PA4 8PF | PRN/RNW | 3 |
| NN04 | Renfrew North and Braehead | McMaster Centre, Robertson Park, Donaldson Drive, Renfrew, PA4 8LX | PRN/RNW | 2 |
| NN05 | Renfrew North and Braehead | King George V Sports Pavilion, Dean Park Road, Renfrew, PA4 0AN | PRN/RNW | 4 |
| NN24 | Renfrew North and Braehead | St James' Primary School, 10 Brown Street, Renfrew PA4 8HL | PRN/RNW | 2 |
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| NN06 | Renfrew South and Gallowhill | St Catherine's Primary School, 28a Brablock Crescent, Paisley, PA3 4RG | PRN/RNW | 2 |
| NN07 | Renfrew South and Gallowhill | Gallowhill Community Centre, 210 Netherhill Road, Paisley PA3 4SF | PRN/RNW | 2 |
| NN08 | Renfrew South and Gallowhill | Glynhill Hotel, 169 Paisley Road, Renfrew, PA4 8XB | PRN/RNW | 2 |
| NN09 | Renfrew South and Gallowhill | Arkleston Primary School, 125 Cockels Loan, Renfrew, PA4 0EL | PRN/RNW | 2 |
| NN10 | Renfrew South and Gallowhill | Newmains Primary School, 8a Lang Avenue, Renfrew PA4 0DA | PRN/RNW | 2 |
| NN11 | Renfrew South and Gallowhill | St James' Primary School, 10 Brown Street, Renfrew PA4 8HL | PRN/RNW | 2 |
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| NP01 | Paisley Northeast and Ralston | Williamsburgh Primary School, Lacy Street, Paisley PA1 1QF | PRN/PAI | 3 |
| NP02 | Paisley Northeast and Ralston | Ralston Community Sports Centre, Penilee Road, Ralston, Paisley, PA1 3AX | PRN/PAI | 2 |
| NP03 | Paisley Northeast and Ralston | Ralston Community Centre, 6 Allanton Avenue, Paisley, PA1 3BL | PRN/PAI | 2 |
| SP02 | Paisley Northeast and Ralston | Williamsburgh Primary School, Lacy Street, Paisley PA1 1QF | PRS/PAI | 1 |
| SP03 | Paisley Northeast and Ralston | Williamsburgh Primary School, Lacy Street, Paisley PA1 1QF | PRS/PAI | 3 |

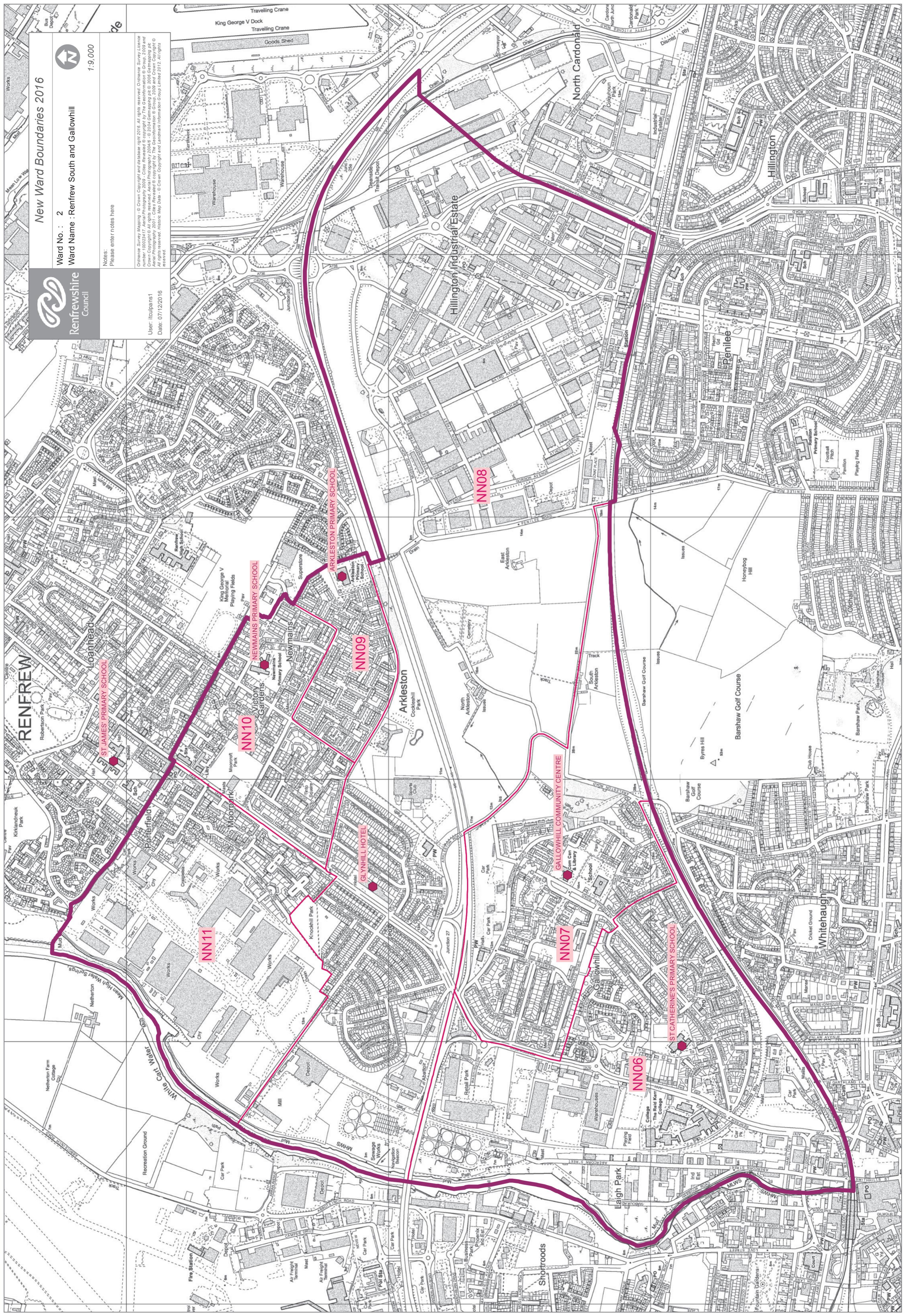
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| NN12 | Paisley Northwest | Beechwood Community Centre, 26 Shortroods Road, Paisley, PA3 2NT | PRN/RNW | Combined |
| NP04 | Paisley Northwest | Beechwood Community Centre, 26 Shortroods Road, Paisley, PA3 2NT | PRN/PAI | 3 |
| NP05 | Paisley Northwest | Disability Resource Centre, Love Street, Paisley, Renfrewshire, PA3 2EA | PRN/PAI | 1 |
| NP06 | Paisley Northwest | St Ninian's Church (St Ninian's Centre), 85 Blackstoun Road, Paisley PA3 1NR | PRN/PAI | 4 |
| SP06 | Paisley Northwest | Martyrs Church Hall, 5 King Street, Paisley, PA1 2LS | PRS/PAI | 1 |
| SP07 | Paisley Northwest | Church of New Jerusalem, 17 George Street, Paisley, PA1 2LB | PRS/PAI | 1 |
| SP08 | Paisley Northwest | St Mary's Primary School, 4 Maxwellton Road, Paisley, PA1 2RJ | PRS/PAI | 2 |
| SP09 | Paisley Northwest | St Charles Church Hall, 5 Union Street, Paisley, PA2 6DU | PRS/PAI | 2 |
| SP10 | Paisley Northwest | St Ninian's Church (St Ninian's Centre), 85 Blackstoun Road, Paisley PA3 1NR | PRS/PAI | Combined |
| SP11 | Paisley Northwest | West End Community Centre, 5A Underwood Lane, Paisley, PA1 2SL | PRS/PAI | 1 |
| SP12 | Paisley Northwest | 7th Paisley Scout Hall, The Bield, 40 Broomlands Street, Paisley, PA1 2NP | PRS/PAI | 1 |
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| SP01 | Paisley East and Central | St Andrew's Academy, 125 Barrhead Road, Paisley, PA2 7LG | PRS/PAI | 1 |
| SP04 | Paisley East and Central | Hunterhill Community Centre, Blackford Road, Paisley PA2 7EP | PRS/PAI | 1 |
| SP05 | Paisley East and Central | Paisley Marriage Suite, Renfrewshire House, Cotton Street, Paisley, PA1 1BU | PRS/PAI | 1 |
| SP17 | Paisley East and Central | Todholm Primary School, 260 Lochfield Road, Paisley, PA2 7JE | PRS/PAI | 3 |
| SP18 | Paisley East and Central | South End Action Centre, Stock Street, Paisley PA2 6NL | PRS/PAI | 2 |
| SP26 | Paisley East and Central | Williamsburgh Primary School, Lacy Street, Paisley PA1 1QF | PRS/PAI | 1 |
| SP27 | Paisley East and Central | Williamsburgh Primary School, Lacy Street, Paisley PA1 1QF | PRS/PAI | 1 |
| SP28 | Paisley East and Central | Lochfield Primary School, Quarry Road, Paisley, PA2 7RD | PRS/PAI | 1 |
| SP30 | Paisley East and Central | South End Action Centre, Stock Street, Paisley PA2 6NL | PRS/PAI | 1 |

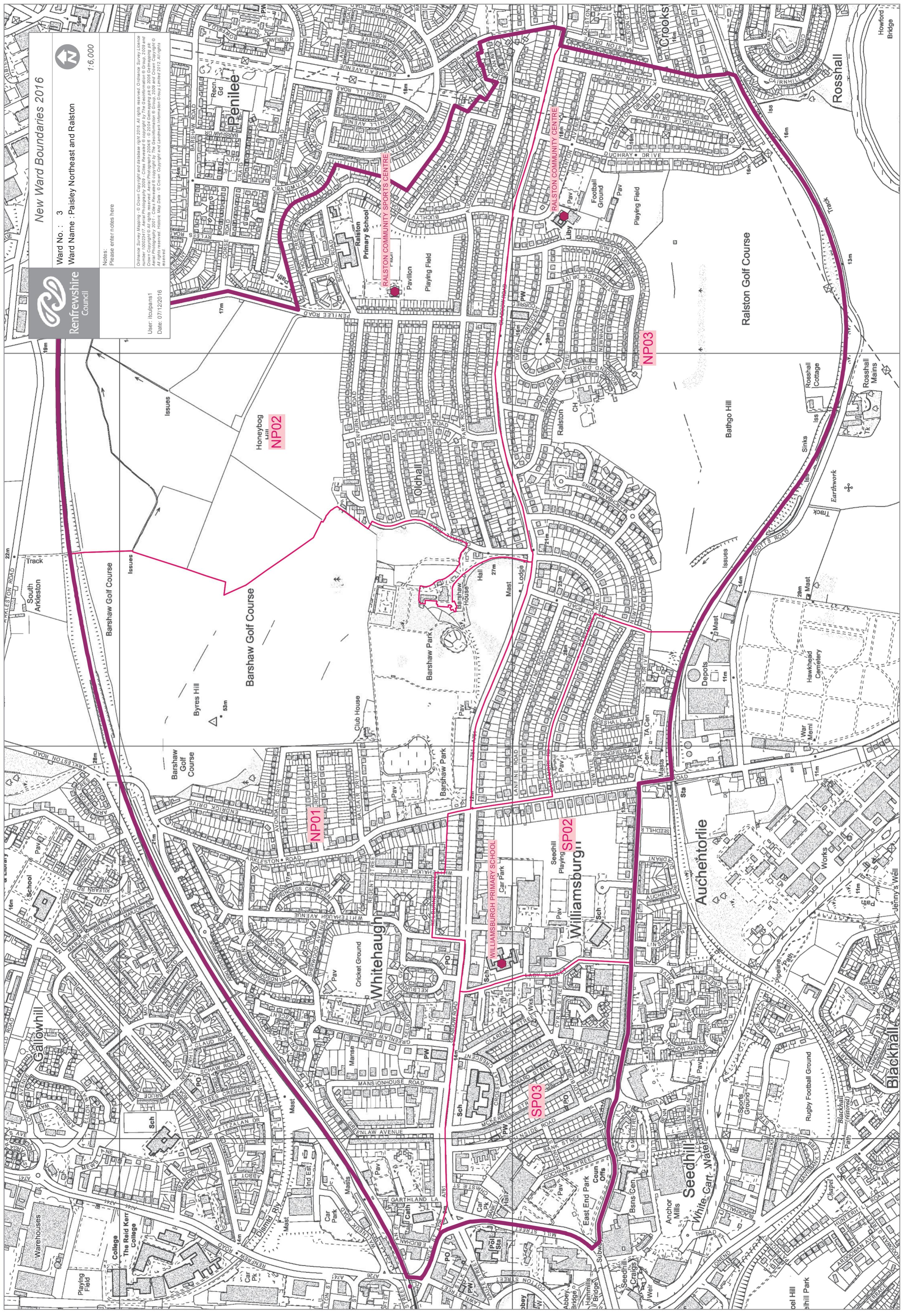
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| SP13 | Paisley Southeast | Glenburn Community Centre, 30 Fairway Avenue, Paisley, , PA2 8DX | PRS/PAI | 2 |
| SP14 | Paisley Southeast | Glenburn Resource Centre, 19 Donaldswood Road , Glenburn, Paisley, PA2 8EA | PRS/PAI | 2 |
| SP15 | Paisley Southeast | Bushes Primary School, Grampian Avenue, Paisley PA2 8DW | PRS/PAI | 3 |
| SP16 | Paisley Southeast | Lochfield Primary School, Quarry Road, Paisley, PA2 7RD | PRS/PAI | 3 |
| SP19 | Paisley Southeast | St Charles Church Hall, 5 Union Street, Paisley, PA2 6DU | PRS/PAI | 2 |
| SP29 | Paisley Southeast | Lochfield Primary School, Quarry Road, Paisley, PA2 7RD | PRS/PAI | Combined |
| SP20 | Paisley Southwest | Brediland Community Centre, 30 Cardell Road, Paisley, PA2 9AF | PRS/PAI | 2 |
| SP21 | Paisley Southwest | Brediland Primary School, 9 Achray Drive, Paisley, PA2 9DJ | PRS/PAI | 4 |
| SP22 | Paisley Southwest | Foxbar Rivers Community Building, Spey Avenue, Paisley, PA2 0PA | PRS/PAI | 2 |
| SP23 | Paisley Southwest | Heriot Primary School, 10 Heriot Avenue, Paisley PA2 0DS | PRS/PAI | 2 |
| SP24 | Paisley Southwest | Foxbar Community Centre, 30 Amochrie Road, Paisley PA2 0LB | PRS/PAI | 2 |
| SP25 | Paisley Southwest | Langcraigs Primary School, 245 Glenfield Road, Paisley PA2 8QE | PRS/PAI | 2 |
| SS01 | Johnstone South and Elderslie | Wallace Primary School, Greenhill Crescent, Elderslie PA5 9AW | PRS/RES | 4 |
| SS02 | Johnstone South and Elderslie | Johnstone Castle Community Centre, Pine Crescent, Johnstone PA5 0BX | PRS/RES | 3 |
| SS03 | Johnstone South and Elderslie | St David's Primary, West Johnstone Shared Campus, Beith Road, Johnstone PA5 0BB | PRS/RES | 2 |
| SS04 | Johnstone South and Elderslie | Cochrane Castle Community Centre, 1 Burns Drive, Johnstone, PA5 0HJ | PRS/RES | 1 |
| SS05 | Johnstone South and Elderslie | Fordbank Primary School, 23B Teviot Terrace, Johnstone PA5 0NP | PRS/RES | 1 |
| SS06 | Johnstone South and Elderslie | Spateston Bowling Club, Spateston Road, Johnstone, PA5 0SX | PRS/RES | 2 |
| SS07 | Johnstone South and Elderslie | Thorn Primary School, 4A Thorn Brae, Johnstone, , PA5 8HE | PRS/RES | 1 |
| SS19 | Johnstone South and Elderslie | Spateston Bowling Club, Spateston Road, Johnstone, PA5 0SX | PRS/RES | Combined |
| NP07 | Johnstone South and Elderslie | Wallace Primary School, Greenhill Crescent, Elderslie PA5 9AW | PRN/PAI | 1 |
| NP08 | Johnstone South and Elderslie | St Ninian's Church (St Ninian's Centre), 85 Blackstoun Road, Paisley PA3 1NR | PRN/PAI | 1 |

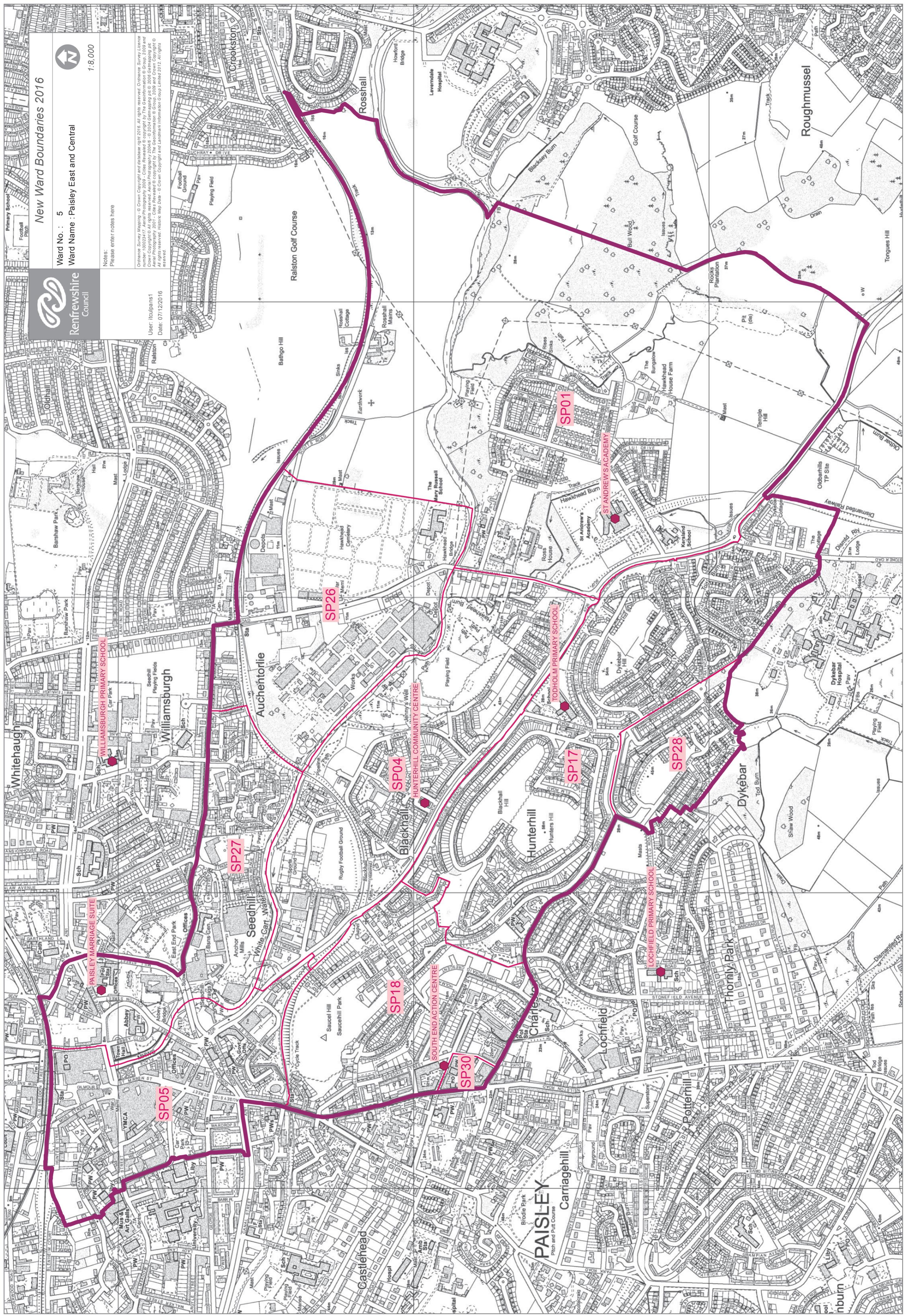
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| SS08 | Johnstone North, Kilbarchan, Howwood and Lochwinnoch | Howwood Village Hall, 10 Station Road, Howwood, PA9 1BB | PRS/RES | 2 |
| SS09 | Johnstone North, Kilbarchan, Howwood and Lochwinnoch | St Margaret's Primary School, 16 Buchanan Street, Johnstone PA5 8RY | PRS/RES | 2 |
| SS10 | Johnstone North, Kilbarchan, Howwood and Lochwinnoch | Johnstone High Parish Church Hall, Quarry Street, Johnstone PA5 8DZ | PRS/RES | 2 |
| SS11 | Johnstone North, Kilbarchan, Howwood and Lochwinnoch | Thorn Primary School, 4A Thorn Brae, Johnstone, PA5 8HE | PRS/RES | 2 |
| SS12 | Johnstone North, Kilbarchan, Howwood and Lochwinnoch | McKillip Institute, 2 Main Street, Lochwinnoch PA12 4AJ | PRS/RES | 3 |
| SS13 | Johnstone North, Kilbarchan, Howwood and Lochwinnoch | Kilbarchan Scout Hall, Barn Green, Kilbarchan, PA10 2HG | PRS/RES | 4 |
| SS18 | Johnstone North, Kilbarchan, Howwood and Lochwinnoch | Howwood Village Hall, 10 Station Road, Howwood, PA9 1BB | PRS/RES | Combined |
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| NN13 | Houston, Crosslee and Linwood | St Fillans Primary School, 1a Main Street, Houston, PA6 7EL | PRN/RNW | Combined |
| NN14 | Houston, Crosslee and Linwood | St Fillans Primary School, 1a Main Street, Houston, PA6 7EL | PRN/RNW | 3 |
| NS01 | Houston, Crosslee and Linwood | Tweedie Hall, Ardlamont Square, Linwood, PA3 3DE | PRN/RES | Combined |
| NS02 | Houston, Crosslee and Linwood | Tweedie Hall, Ardlamont Square, Linwood, PA3 3DE | PRN/RES | 3 |
| NS03 | Houston, Crosslee and Linwood | Linwood Parish Church, Blackwood Avenue, Linwood PA3 3PY | PRN/RES | 4 |
| NS04 | Houston, Crosslee and Linwood | Brookfield Village Hall, 45 Woodside Road, Brookfield, PA5 8UB | PRN/RES | 1 |
| NS05 | Houston, Crosslee and Linwood | St Fillans Primary School, 1a Main Street, Houston, PA6 7EL | PRN/RES | 3 |
| SS14 | Houston, Crosslee and Linwood | Linwood Parish Church, Blackwood Avenue, Linwood PA3 3PY | PRS/RES | Combined (No Current Electors) |
| SS15 | Houston, Crosslee and Linwood | Linwood Parish Church, Blackwood Avenue, Linwood PA3 3PY | PRS/RES | Combined |
| SS16 | Houston, Crosslee and Linwood | Brookfield Village Hall, 45 Woodside Road, Brookfield, PA5 8UB | PRS/RES | Combined |
| SS17 | Houston, Crosslee and Linwood | Brookfield Village Hall, 45 Woodside Road, Brookfield, PA5 8UB | PRS/RES | Combined |

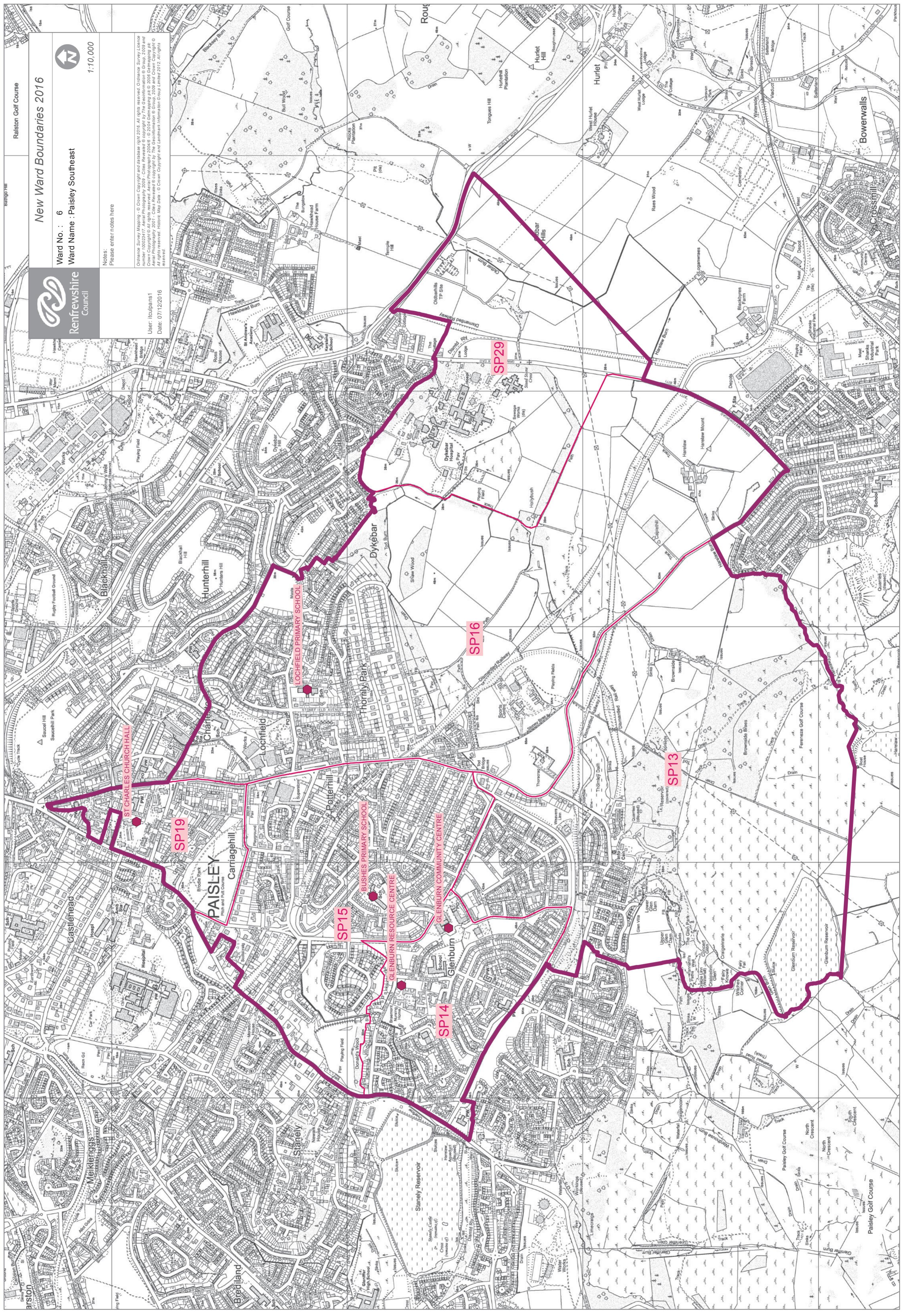
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| NN16 | Bishopton, Bridge of Weir and Langbank | Bridge of Weir Primary School, 7 Warlock Road, Bridge of Weir, PA11 3QB | PRN/RNW | 1 |
| NN17 | Bishopton, Bridge of Weir and Langbank | Langbank Village Centre, 51 Middlepenny Road, Langbank, PA14 6XB | PRN/RNW | 1 |
| NN18 | Bishopton, Bridge of Weir and Langbank | Bishopton Community Centre, 25 Gledstane Road, Bishopton, PA7 5AU | PRN/RNW | 6 |
| NN19 | Bishopton, Bridge of Weir and Langbank | Bishopton Community Centre, 25 Gledstane Road, Bishopton, PA7 5AU | PRN/RNW | Combined |
| SN01 | Bishopton, Bridge of Weir and Langbank | Cargill Hall, Lintwhite Crescent, Bridge of Weir, PA11 3LJ | PRN/RNW | Combined |
| NN20 | Erskine and Inchinnan | Inchinnan Primary School, 96 Old Greenock Road, Inchinnan PA4 9PH | PRN/RNW | 2 |
| NN21 | Erskine and Inchinnan | Barsail Primary School, 716 Park Moor, Erskine, PA8 7HL | PRN/RNW | 3 |
| NN22 | Erskine and Inchinnan | St Anne's Primary School, 97 Park Drive, Erskine, PA8 7AL | PRN/RNW | 6 |
| NN23 | Erskine and Inchinnan | Bargarran Primary School, 4 Barrhill Road, Erskine, PA8 6BX | PRN/RNW | 6 |











New Ward Boundaries 2016



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BREDILAND COMMUNITY CENTRE
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BREDILAND PRIMARY SCHOOL
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FOXBAR COMMUNITY BUILDING
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FOXBAR COMMUNITY CENTRE
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HERIOT PRIMARY SCHOOL
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LANGRAGS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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