

Isle of Wight Green Link Overview and Progress

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Background

- 2005 – Sustrans feasibility study for West Wight Greenway
- 2006 – IWC secure £400k lottery grant to deliver West Wight Greenway
- 2008 – West Wight Greenway shelved after failure to secure landowner support
- 2015 – New efforts by local groups to establish West Wight and Gunville Greenways
- 2022 – IWC apply to Govt's Levelling Up Fund Rd 2 for £13.6m for IW Green Link
- 2023 – Govt announce Levelling Up Rd 3 award for IW Green Link



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Active
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Landscape



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natural enterprise



RAMBLERS

The vision



Three principal work packages

1 Shared path from Ryde to Freshwater bay

- West Wight Greenway
- Gunville Greenway
- Ryde – Newport Improvements

2 Ryde and Newport High Streets

3 Public transport connections



Tests and challenges

- Scheme definition
- Landownership
- Government change
- Security of funding
- Delivery timeframe
- Design standards



Where we are

- **Costings and delivery plan for Ryde High Street**
- **Costings for Newport High Street**
- **Delivery plan for NCN Route 22 improvements at Whippingham**
- **Concept designs for Gunville Greenway and Taylor Road interventions**
- **Concept designs for Fairlee Road and Kite Hill improvements**
- **Landowner agreements secured on sections of West Wight Greenway**
- **Designs for WW Greenway crossings**
- **Landowner negotiations ongoing**

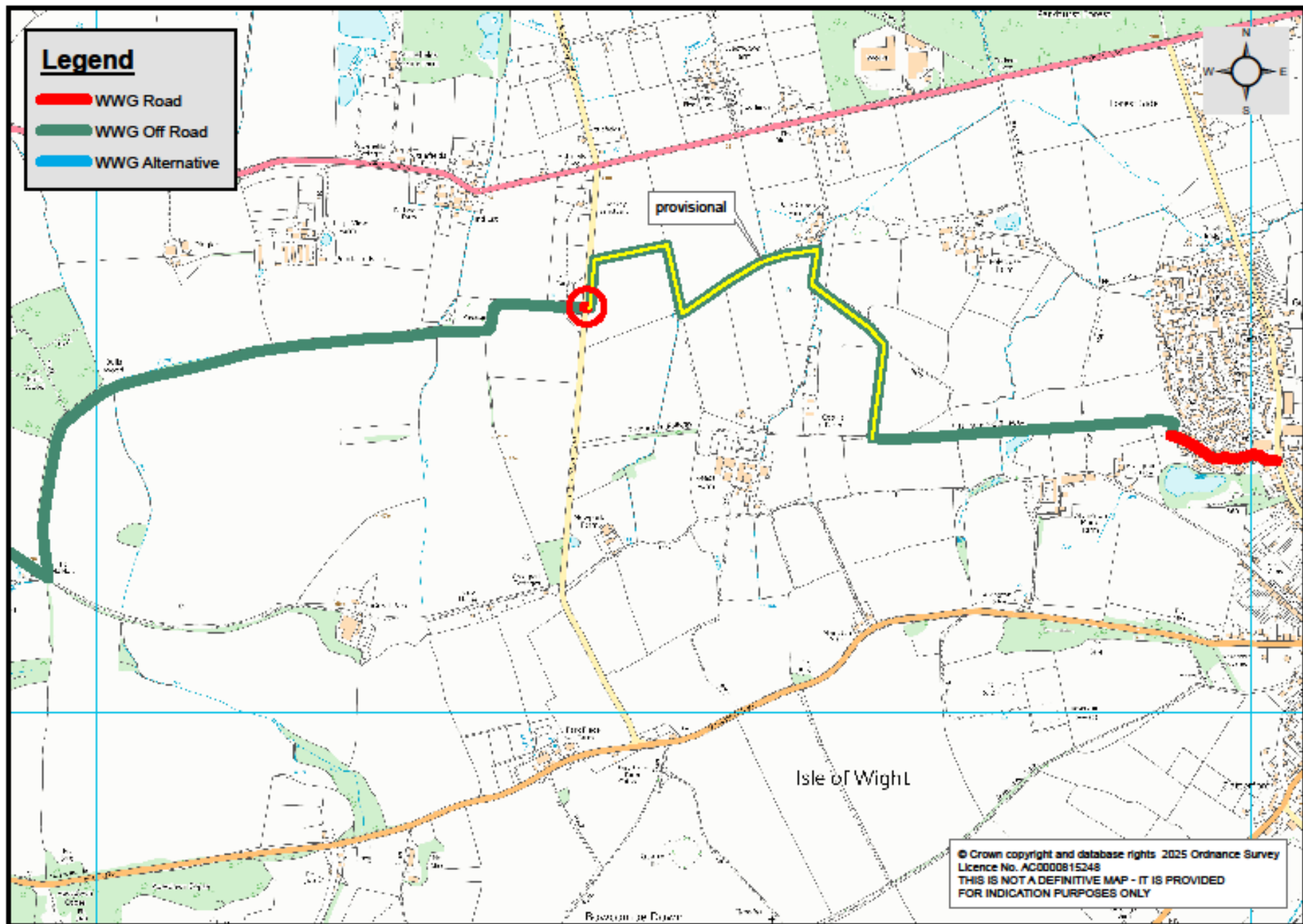


Next 6 months

- **Oct 2025 – Island Roads review Gunville Greenway and Kite Hill designs**
- **Oct 2025 – Continue dialogue with landowners from Belmont to Mews Lane**
- **Oct 2025 – Develop designs for Thorley Road crossing and car park**
- **Nov 2025 – Reach agreement with Island Harbour Developers for Fairlee Rd**
- **Nov 2025 – Issue works instruction for Afton Road crossing**
- **Dec 2025 – Let contract for Ryde High Street works**
- **Feb 2026 – Let contract for Station Rd to Belmont Bridge resurfacing**
- **Mar 2026 – Planning submission for land at Thorley**

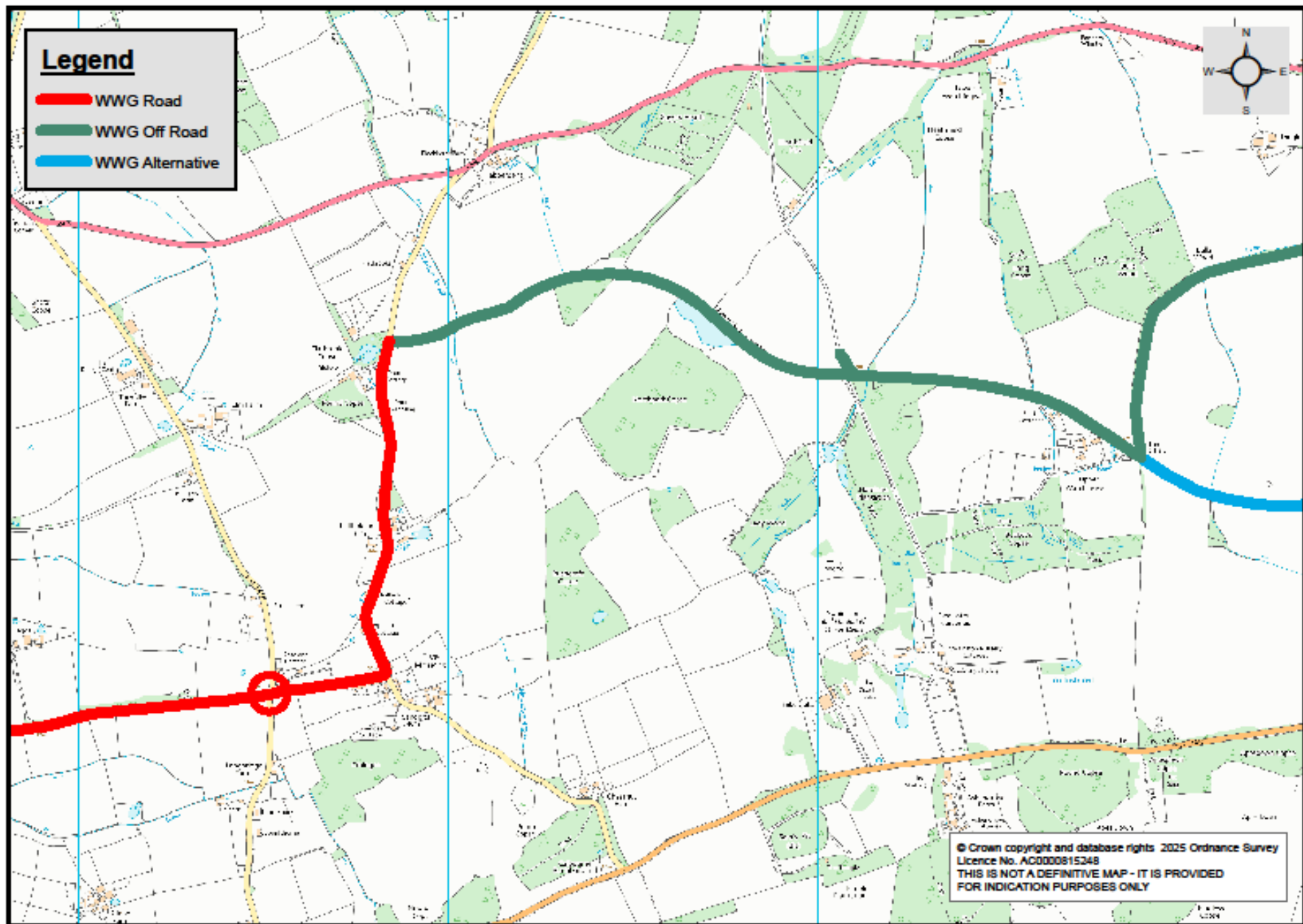
West Wight Greenway

Gunville to
Old Halt
(provisional)



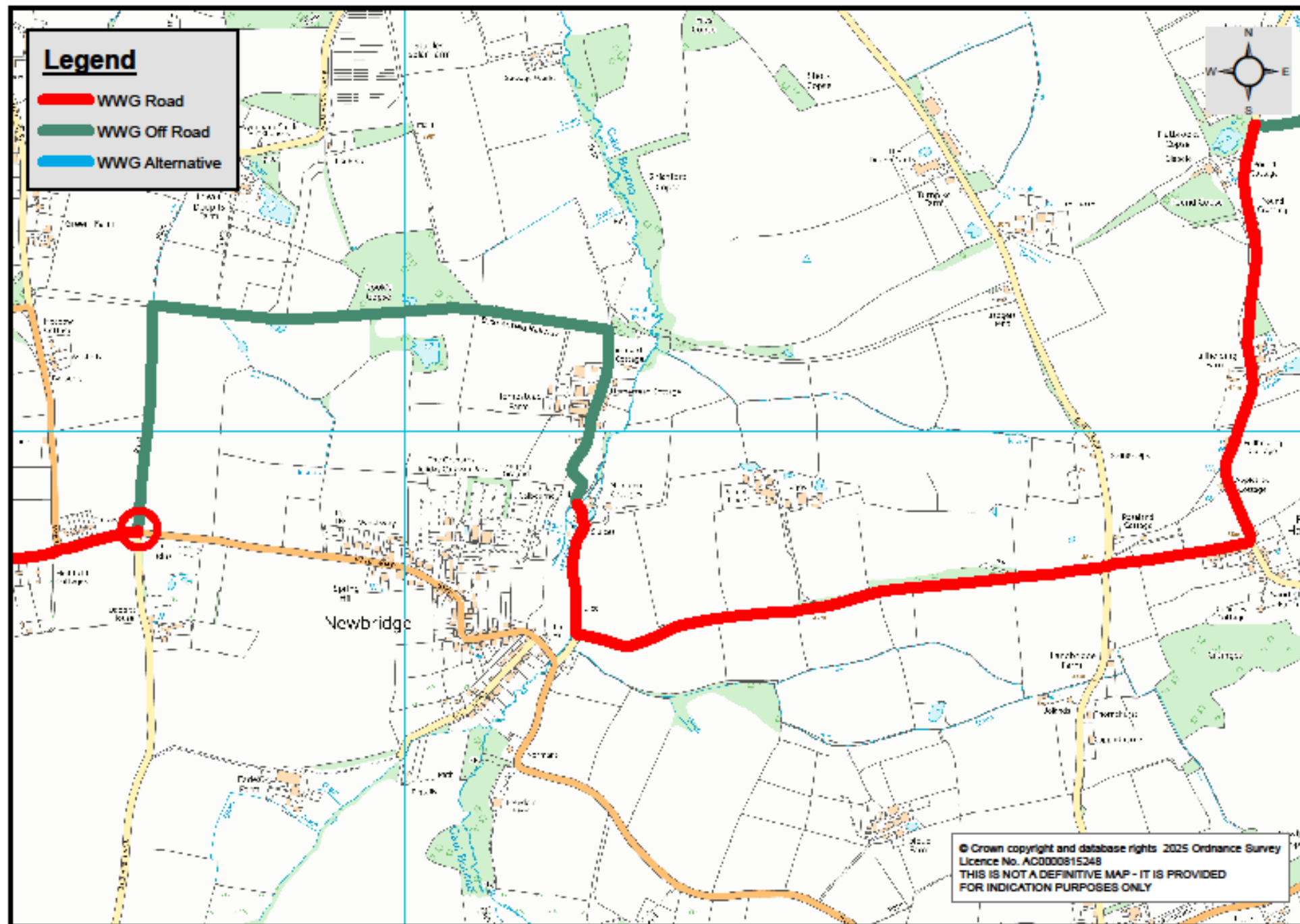
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Old Halt to
Five Houses
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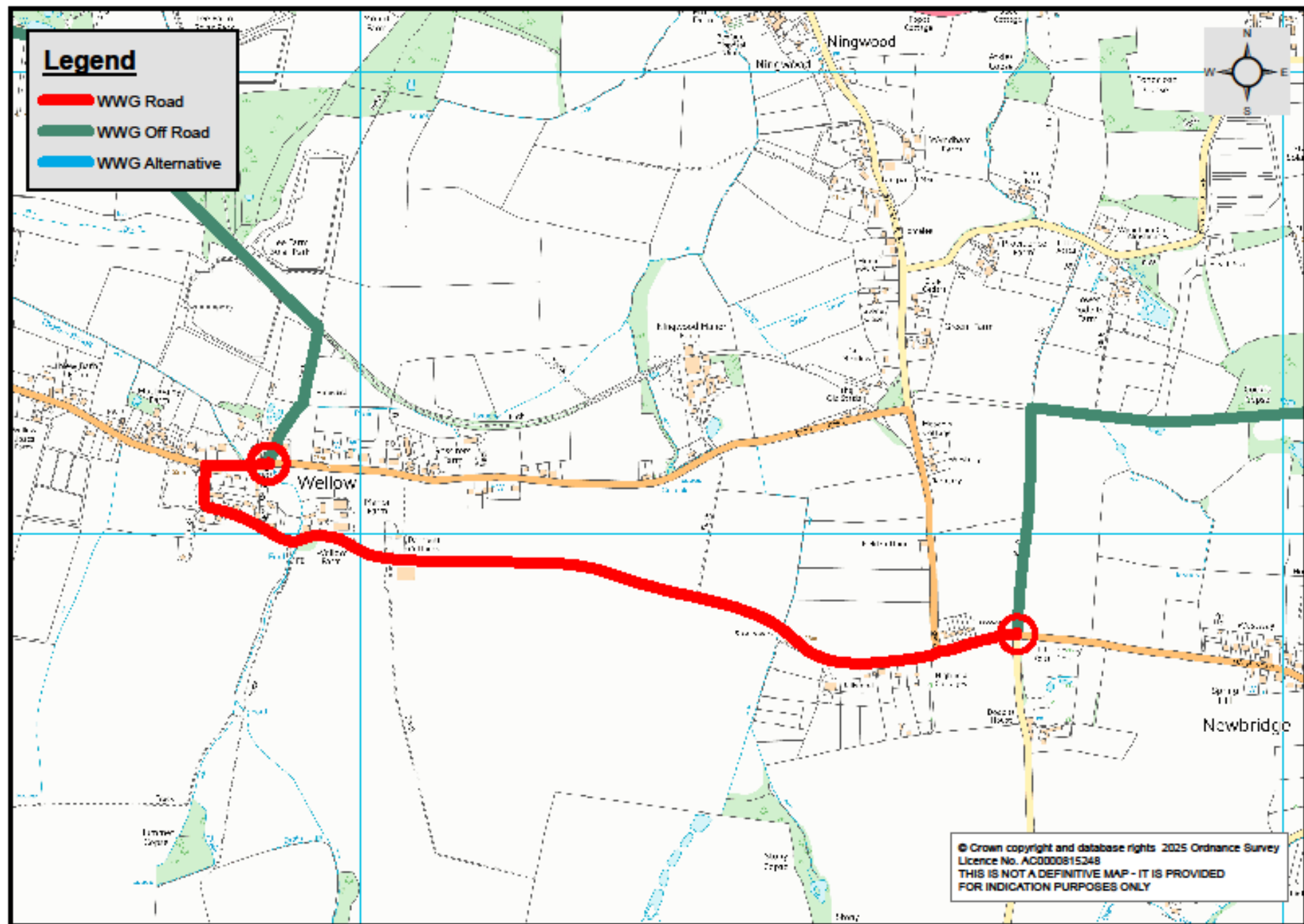
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Five Houses
to Wellow
Top Road
(provisional)



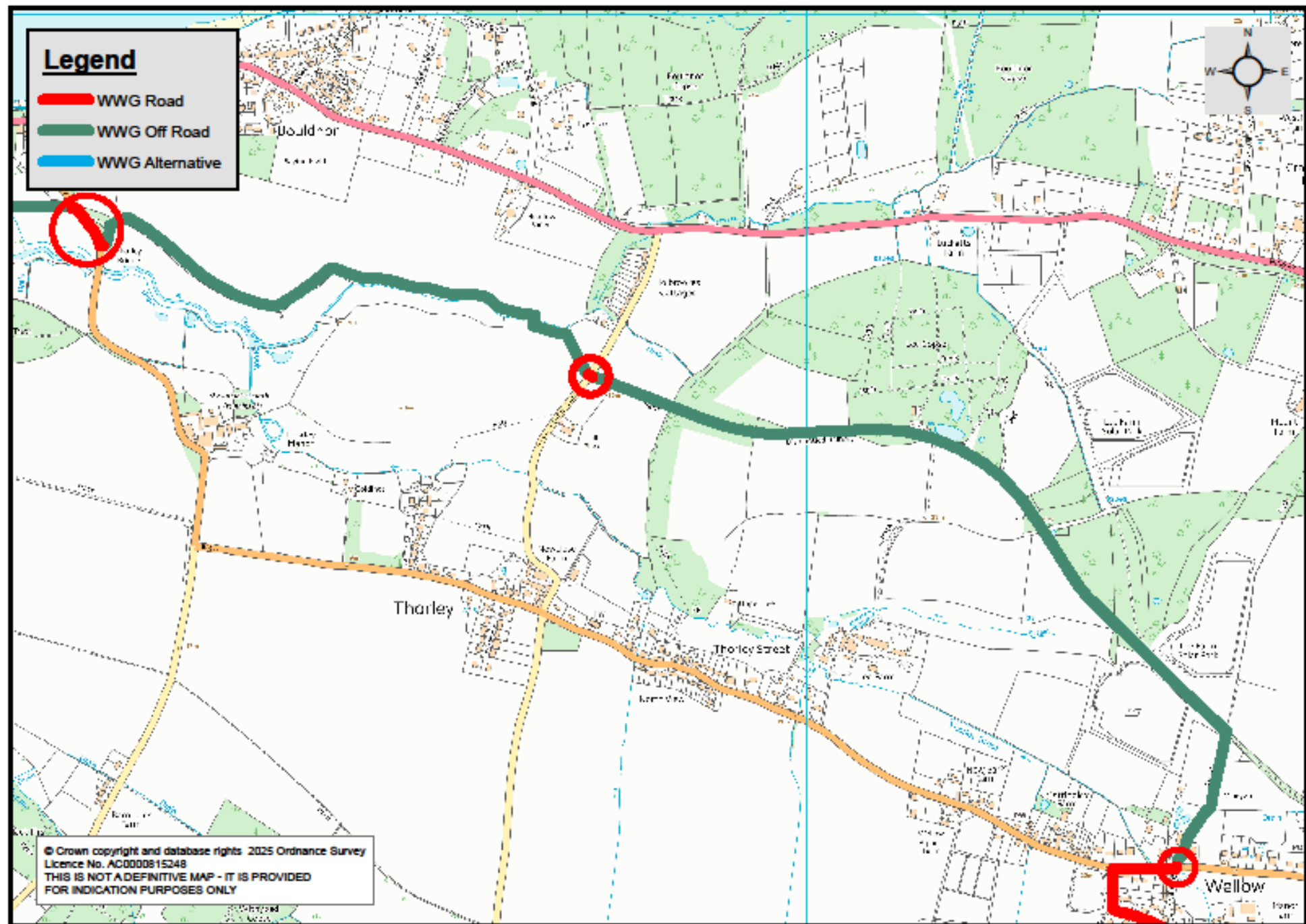
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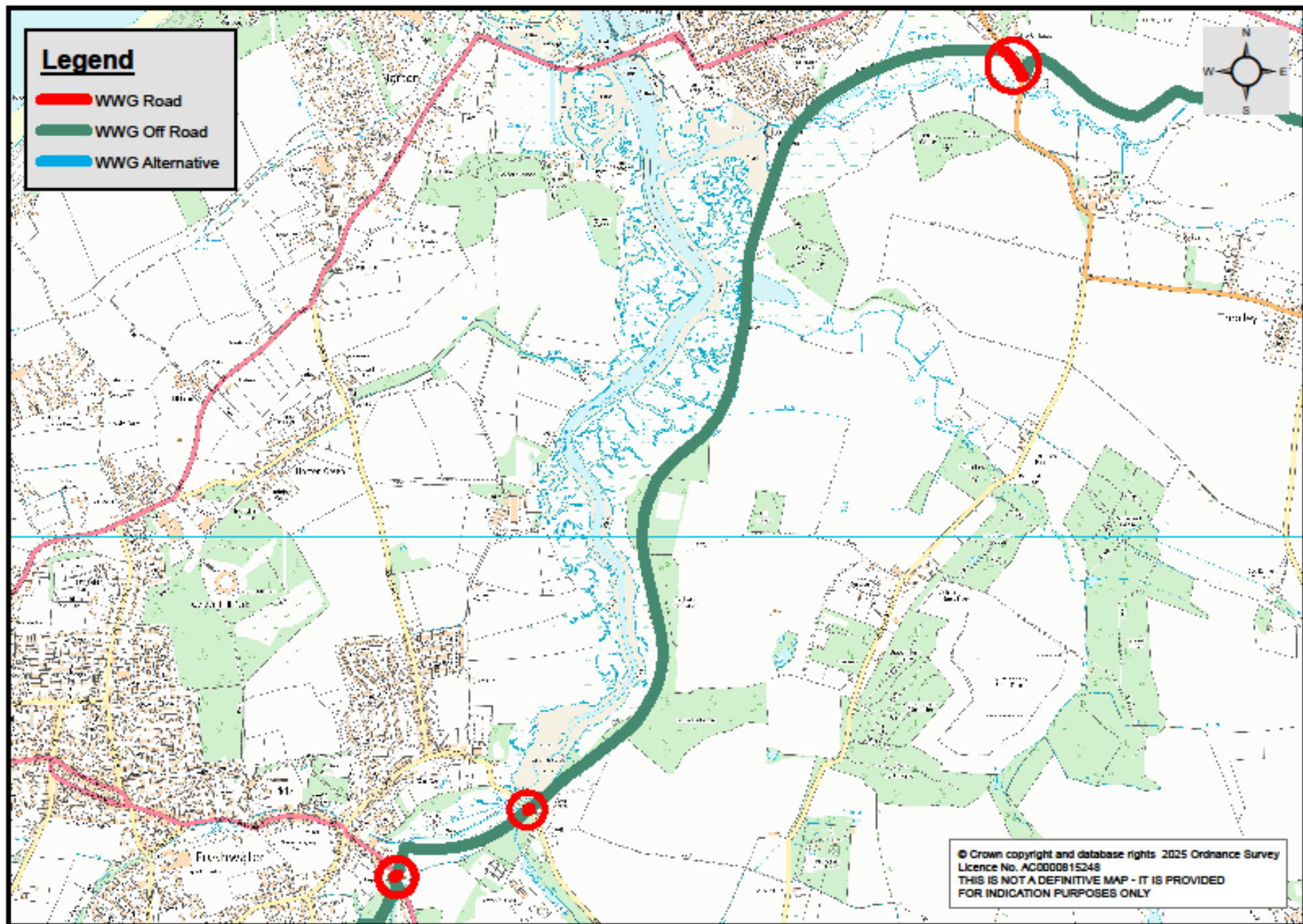
West Wight Greenway

Wellow to
Thorley
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West Wight Greenway

Thorley to
Afton Marsh
(provisional)



West Wight Greenway

Afton Marsh
to Freshwater
Bay

