

Cudworth Town Centre Masterplan: Public Engagement



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Stage 1



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Understanding the context

Cudworth, one of six main towns in Barnsley, lies about three miles east of the town centre. Its closeness to the A1 and M1 motorways provides strong regional links in South Yorkshire.



Cudworth acts as a key secondary centre with a busy high street and many independent stores. Royston offers local shops but is more spread out. Nearby areas like Shafton, Brierley, and Grimethorpe often depend on Cudworth for more goods and services.

Emerging developments

Several sites in the Cudworth Area are designated for housing and employment in the Local Plan and are expected to bring a significant increase in local population.

These developments could accommodate approximately 2,000 new residents.

This growth will boost demand for retail, services, and community facilities, highlighting the need for improvements to the high street and infrastructure.



Cudworth study areas

Following a recent Councillor briefing, the following locations have been highlighted for potential development options:

- St John's Road
- Bow Street
- Market Place
- Crosby Street



Site A, St John's Road



Non-Physical Interventions

- Increase signage in St John's Garden to improve wayfinding to the town centre, library, health centre, and park.

Public Realm Interventions

- Upgrade soft planting in St John's Garden.
- Integrate land east of 'The Star' Public House with landscaping linked to St John's Garden.
- Adopted footpath upgrade.
- Add safe crossing with distinct materials to mark town centre entry.

Site B, Bow Street

Non-Physical Interventions

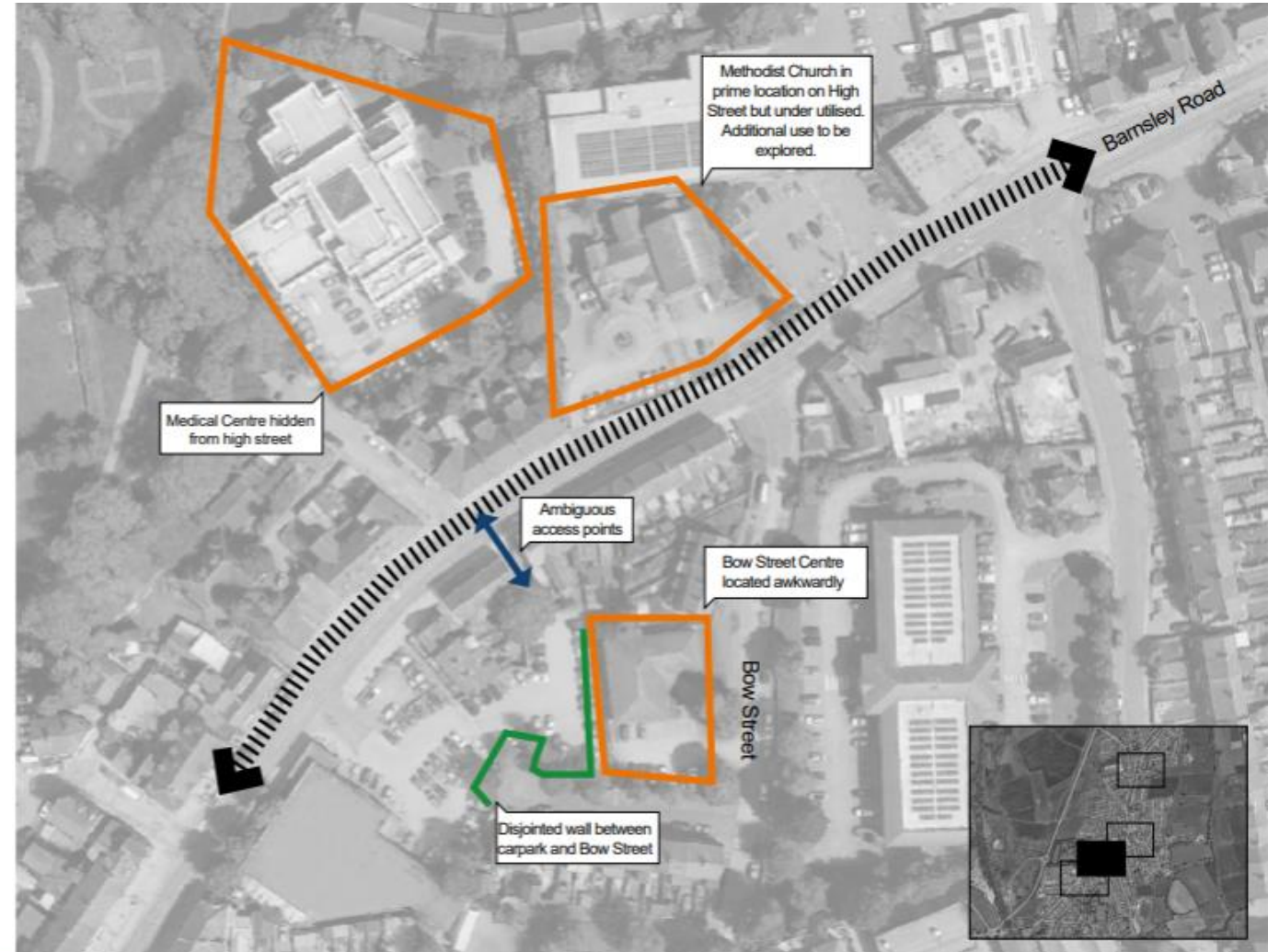
- Signage to help wayfinding to Medical centre and park.

Public Realm Interventions

- Better integration of Co-Op car park and Bow Street.
- Adopted footpath upgrade
- Opportunity for safe crossing point

Physical Interventions

- Bow Street Centre to be demolished to provide additional parking within part of the site alongside new building - use to be explored.
- Site of Methodist church to be considered for redevelopment.



Site C, Market Street

Non-Physical Interventions

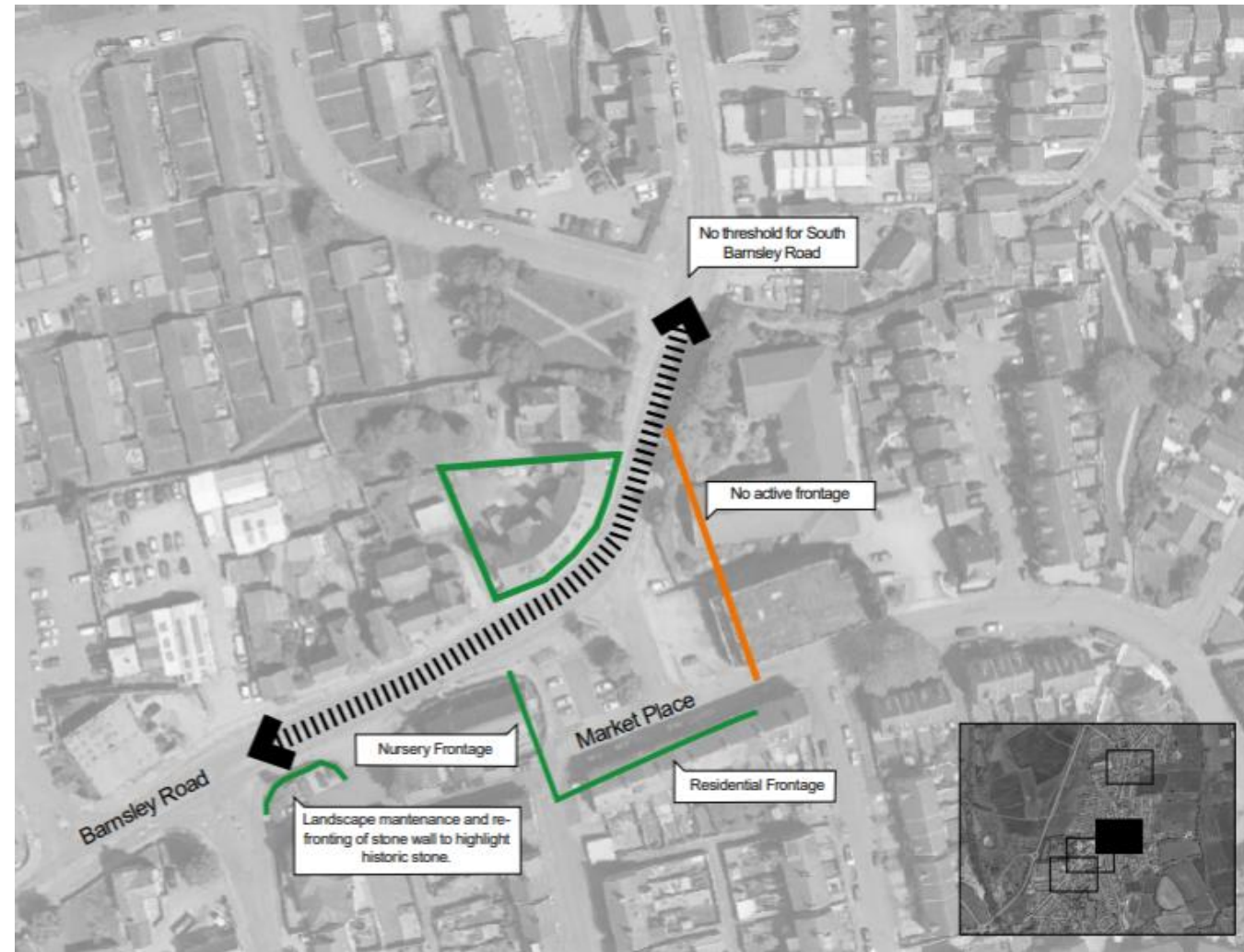
- General signage to help wayfinding into the town centre

Public Realm Interventions

- Provide landscape that compliments the works being undertaken at the crescent.
- Consider change in road material to link north and south Barnsley Road in a safe and attractive way.
- Redevelop the 'Pond' car park alongside the Ramsden site to create a safer road junction between Market Place and Barnsley Road, greater carparking and a better sense of place at the heart of the town.

Physical Interventions

- Consider redevelopment options which would compliment needs of the town whilst providing expansion space to the nearby care provider.
- Tentatively consider development options of privately owned businesses to the north of Barnsley Road.



Site D, Crosby Street

Non-Physical Interventions

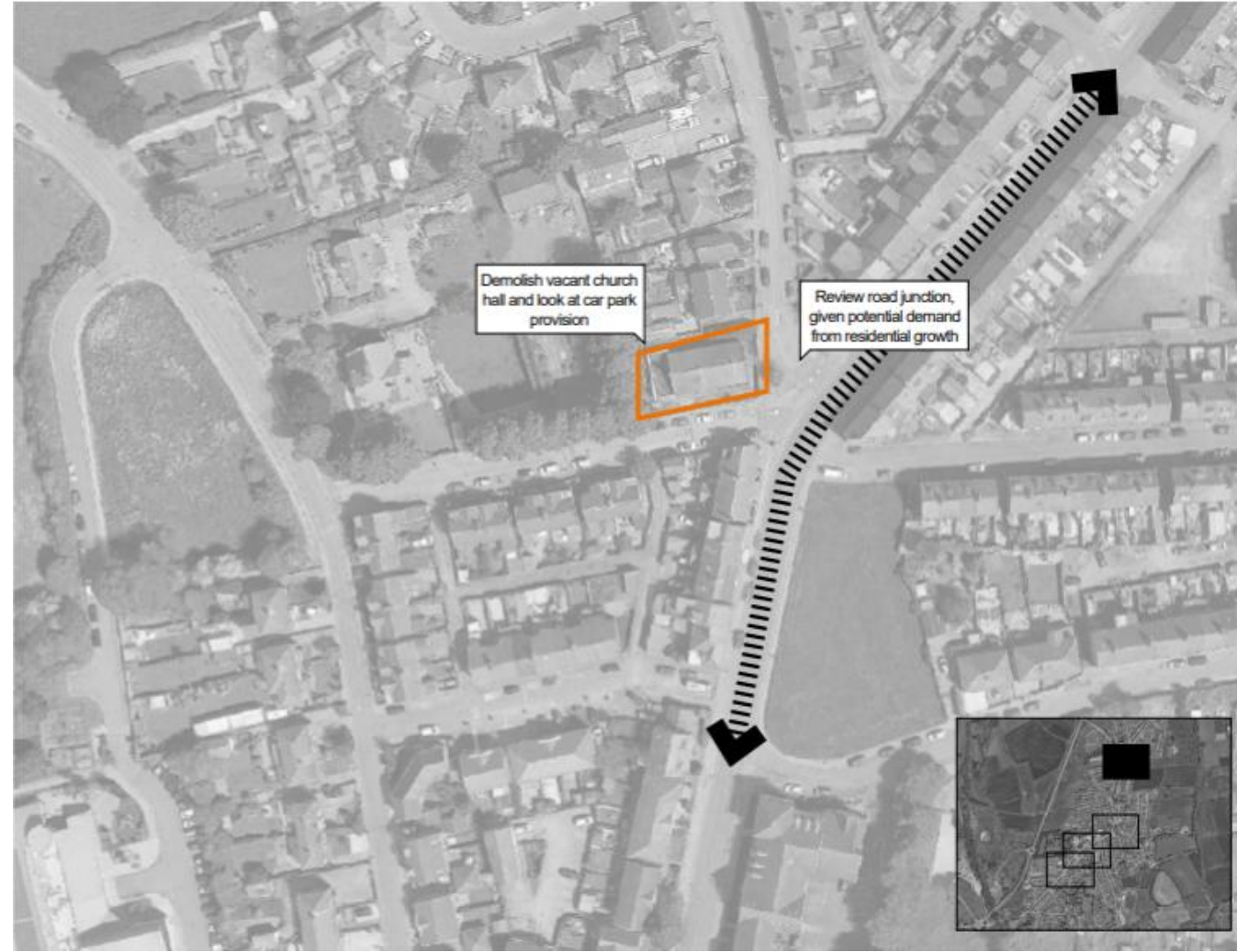
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Public Realm Interventions

- Demolish the vacant church hall and look at car park provision alongside the adjustment to the existing road network.
- Opportunity to introduce some green to the deep pavements around church site

Physical Interventions

NA



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Site A, St John's Road



The site is enclosed by a raised road 'table' designed to slow traffic and unify the area.

A new bus stop with seating will create a clear pedestrian path near the Star Inn.

The plan includes a children's play area and expanded seating for visitors. Poynton town centre serves as a successful example of using shared surfaces to calm traffic and enhance pedestrian safety.



Site B1, Bow Street



This site proposes a formal car park with green spaces and tree planting to enhance sustainability. Two clearly defined areas will be provided for resident-only parking, ensuring convenience and security for local users.

The layout will incorporate public pedestrian routes connecting Bow Street and the health centre.

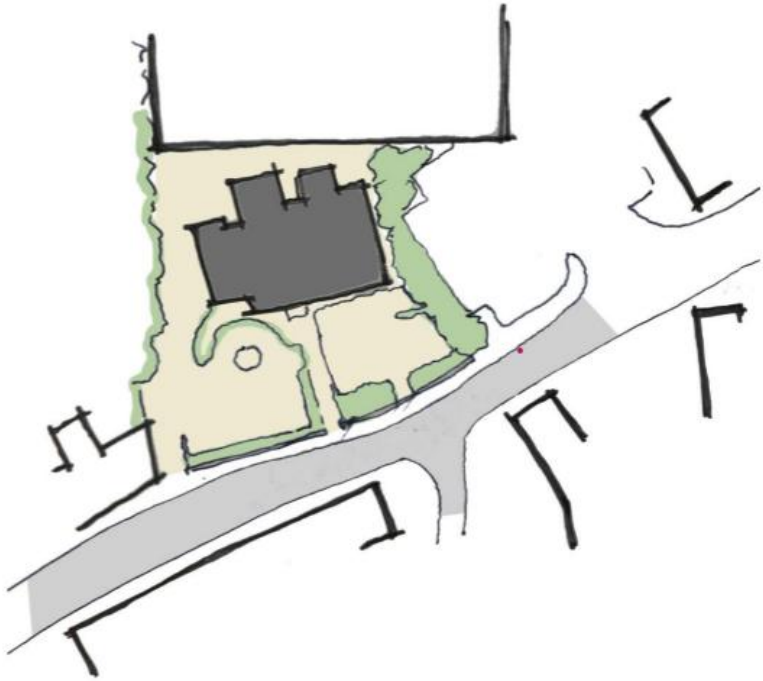
At the entrance, a landscaped green space will form a buffer between the high street and parking area with seating and high-quality paving.



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Site B2, Barnsley Road



Cudworth Methodist Church holds considerable potential for enhancement through a variety of well-considered improvements.

Reimagining the use of internal spaces can increase the church's versatility.

Enhancing accessibility would make the church more inclusive.



Site C1, Market Street



Inspired by the Crescent buildings, the adjacent land features circular landscaping, seating, and improved parking for residents and visitors.

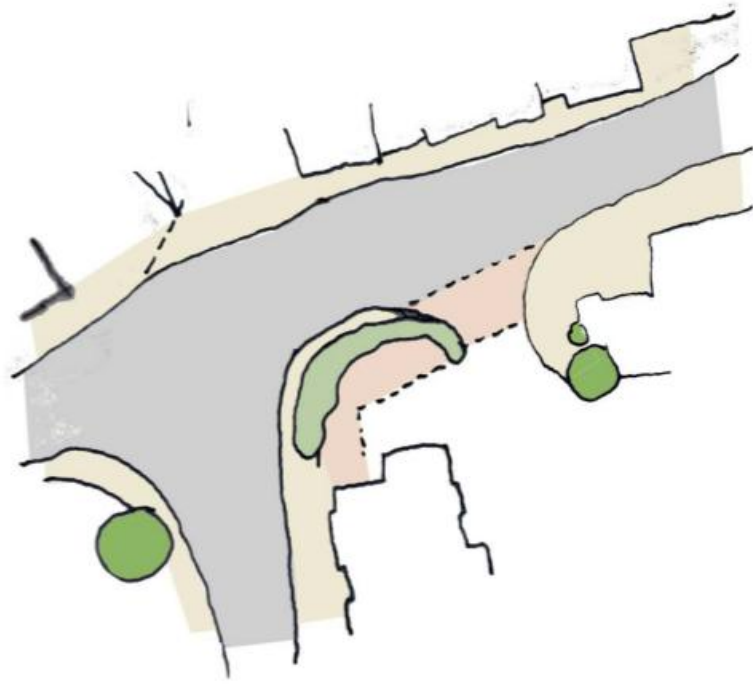
A raised traffic-calming table marks the high street's start and creates a more pedestrian friendly environment. The existing crossing has been upgraded to improve safety and accessibility, with additional pockets of greenery woven through.



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Site C2, Snydale Road



Planned improvements at the intersection of Snydale Road and Barnsley Road include enhancing the soft planting area and assessing the wall structure to relocate the historic plaque to a more visible and prominent position.



Site D, Crosby Street



This proposal plans a new car park on the old Methodist Church site, alongside a pocket park with quality paving.

The park includes seating around the existing mature tree, offering a small green space that enhances the town centre and encourages rest and socializing.



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