

6 Spaces and Views

Spaces

A Back Lane

The narrowness of the lane and the enclosure of the buildings creates a strong sense of place that is augmented by the gap on the northern side. This space occurs at the pinch point where the lane is tightest. This area feels like the village centre and appears to be a longstanding feature.

B Forecourt of former Royal Hotel

The creation of the Stanbury's Orchard development has fundamentally changed what must have been the forecourt to this substantial inn. It remains a significant space but now lacks definition and the stone planters fail to provide focus or interest.

C Bus shelter

On the other side of the entrance to Stanbury's Orchard is the bus shelter. This functional modern structure does offer a visual and social focal point.

Views

1 Entering Crockernwell from the east

The nucleus of the village is nicely framed by Fordton Cottages to the right and the farm buildings to the left. The eye is further focussed by the gables of Holy Trinity Chapel and Cross Cottage so that there is a sense of arrival.

2 Looking up the back lane

The informal sense of enclosure makes this a village view full of character. The gable end of Stonelands marks an interesting jump in scale and the deflected view at the far end draws the viewer forward.

3 Down the back lane

This view is solidly enclosed on the south side and on the other is dominated by the curved rear wall of The Cottage. The slightly sinuous nature of the lane adds interest and the view is punctuated by the cob barn at Budbrooke, but continues into countryside and on to the horizon.

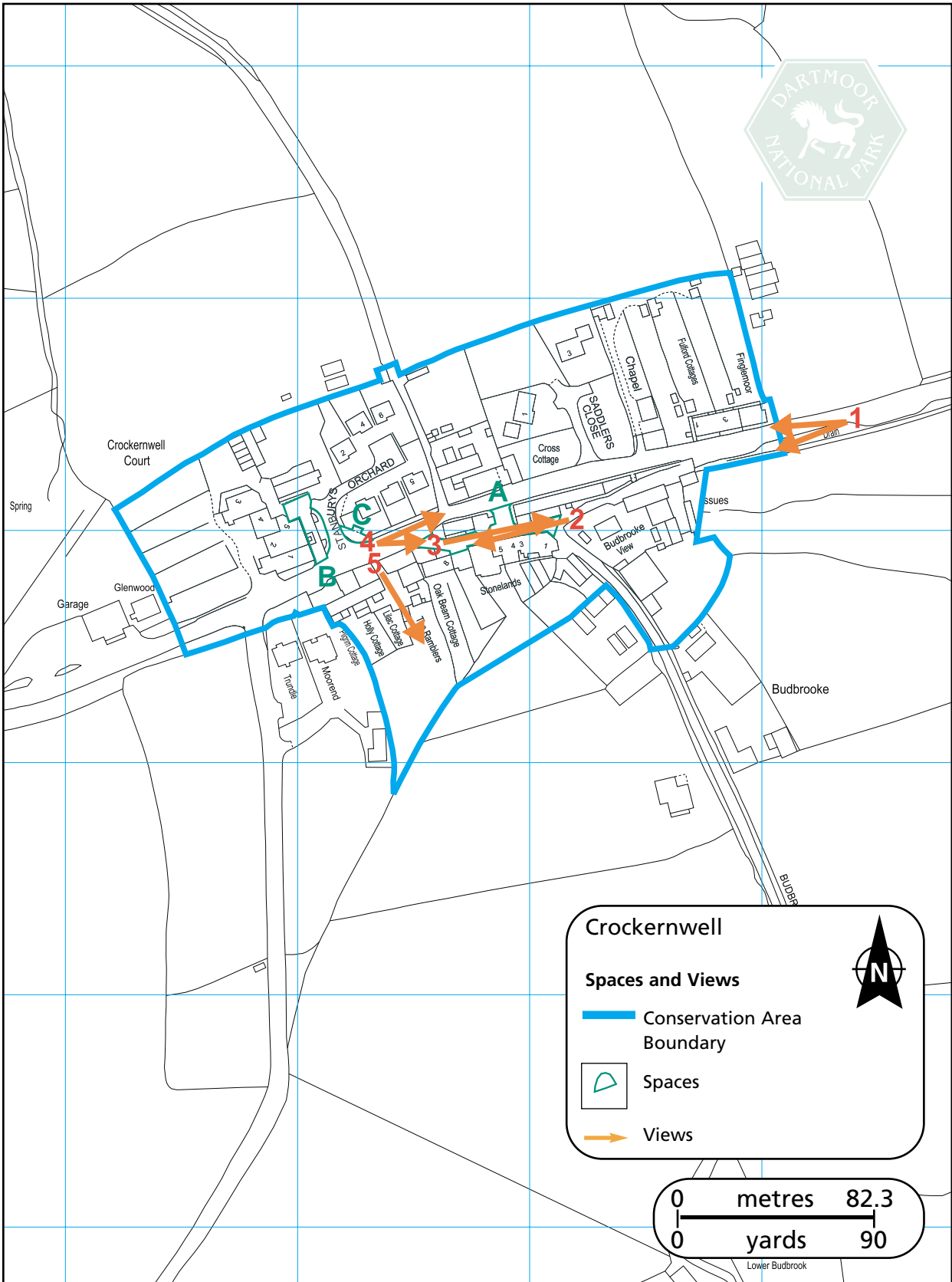
4 Looking east from the bus stop

This view encapsulates the unique layout of Crockernwell. There is the clear view down the main road and on towards Cheriton Bishop, then the eye is lead towards the back lane and a sense of anticipation is generated as the road disappears behind the Old Post Office.

5 Between The Ramblers Cottage and Lilac Cottage

The traditional track entrance, with compressed aggregate and a central strip of grass, leads the eye forward between the thatched roofs to the gardens beyond. Only the pole and cables detract from this view.

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Fig 19 The back lane and central space



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Fig 20 The forecourt of the former Royal Hotel



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Fig 21 The Bus Shelter



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Fig 22 The eastern entrance to Crockernwell



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Fig 23 The view up the back lane



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Fig 24 The view down the back lane



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Fig 25 The view of the village centre from the bus stop



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Fig 26 A glimpsed view