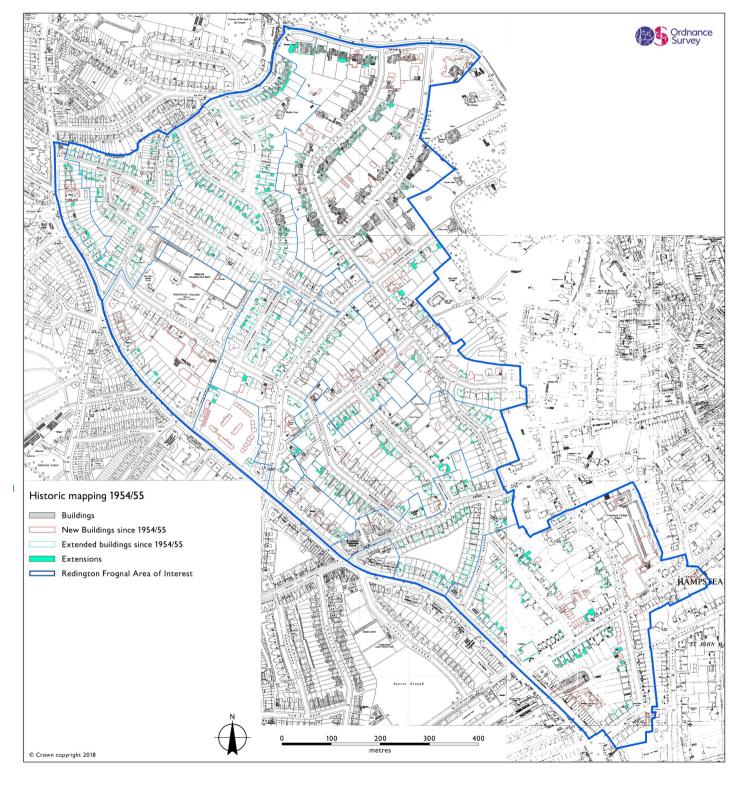
#### SD 5 REDINGTON FROGNAL GARDEN LOSS 1954/55 TO 2018 FROM ORDNANCE SURVEY

Map of Redington Frognal Area showing original buildings, extensions added since 1954/55 and new buildings constructed since 1954/55



Ordnance Survey specialists have digitised maps of the Redington Frognal Neighbourhood Plan area for 2001 and 2018 and undertaken a visual comparison with maps of 1954. From this analysis it has been demonstrated that:

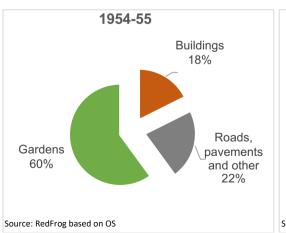
- the area of the footprint of buildings and extensions (excluding those under PD) has increased from 141,265 sq. metres in 1954-55 to 186,982 sq. metres in 2018 an increase of 32%;
- the area of road, pavements and other grew at a compound annual rate of 0.2% between 2001 and 2018. Data are not available for 1954-55 but, if the compound average growth rate is applied over the 63-year period, it can be estimated that the area of road, pavements and other has expanded by 13% from 179,371 sq. metres to 203,431 sq. metres;
- the area of "garden" has consequently reduced by from 481,664 sq. metres to 411,886 sq. metres, a decrease
  of -14% (as set out in Evidence Base document SD 5 Garden Loss). This reduction, however, does not allow for
  losses due to hard surfaced off-street parking, patios, decking, swimming pools, changing rooms, tennis courts,
  garden buildings and outbuildings, including those constructed under permitted development rights.

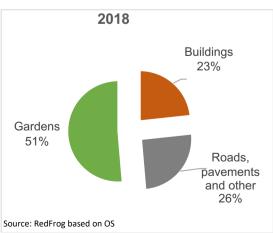
This is equivalent to the loss of one in six gardens and is a serious and unsustainable rate of loss at a time of climate change, urban heat island effect and growing surface water flood risk.

# Changes in Built and Unbuilt Areas in the Redington Frognal Neighbourhood Plan Area, 1954-55, Compared with 2001 and 2018

Area (square metres) % change 1945-55 2001 2018 2018÷ 1954-55 141,265 175,729 186,982 32% **Buildings** Roads, pavements and other 179,371 196,611 203,432 13% Gardens 481,664 429,960 411,886 -14% Total conservation area 802,300 802,300 802,300 0%

## Changes in the Built and Unbuilt Areas in Redington Frognal Neighbourhood Plan Area, 1954-55 and 2018





<sup>1)</sup> Roads, pavements and other for 1954-55 estimated from 2001-18 annual growth rate Source: Redington Frognal based on Ordnance Survey

# Email exchanges between Ordnance Survey and Redington Frognal Neighbourhood Forum, August 2018 to February 2019

From: <u>Danny.Hyam@os.uk</u>>

Subject: RE: Redington Frognal Neighbourhood Plan Area

Date: 14 August 2018 at 18:10:36 BST

To: Miranda.Sharp@os.uk>,

I've been looking at this for you today and I have some numbers and can create some images but I want to run them past you first to make sure they are what you would like.

I've digitised the area of interest and have taken data from 2018 and 2001, which is the earliest digital data we have in the right format. I have also managed to get historical maps from 1954, which are only images and have done a visual comparison.

So, what can be output:

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- The same again for gardens. [I'm not sure how much you know about Ordnance Survey data but we have a classification for 'Garden', we do not say what it is made of, just that it is a garden. We also do not capture details in gardens such as swimming pools, paving, grass, driveways, etc as these can change on an almost annual basis. As a result, we can do numbers for area of garden, but not for what is in the garden.]
- The area of buildings that have been built since 1954, and as a %
- It is a lot harder to look at buildings that have been extended. I have identified them, but it is not easy to tell the area that they have increased by as the 1954 map is just a picture, not queryable data.
- The same goes for gardens as unless someone digitises the old 1954 map, we do not have data to query.
- I can produce images of the area for 2018 and 2001.
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- It is possible, with a little work, to produce an image of the 1954 map of the area as well Is this the sort of thing you were after?

If you could let me know I can then get on with these and send them over.

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From: Danny.Hyam@os.uk>

#### Subject: RE: Redington Frognal Neighbourhood Plan Area

Date: 11 October 2018 at 09:48:39 BST

To: allan.mayo@digitalgreenwich.com

Apologies for the prolonged radio silence, a project landed on my desk just after I sent these over to you that has consumed pretty much all my time until 2 weeks ago.

In response to your comment about 'not being a cartographer, I am not sure what the unlabelled maps are telling us' let me try to explain.

- Each map has a title across the top of the map outlining what is on each one they are as follows:
- 1954\_55.jpg historic black and white maps from 1954/55 overlaid with the Redington Frognal Neighbourhood Plan Area and sub areas.
- 1954\_55\_plus.jpg same historic map as above but with buildings built since then in red, buildings that have been extended in green outline and the extensions themselves in green solid fill
- 2001.jpg the area as it looked in our data in 2001, buildings are orangey, gardens are yellow, pavements are grey, roads white and grass/green areas are green.
- 2001andHistoric.jpg the 1954/55 data and 2001 data shown together so the differences between the 2 can be seen
- 2016\_Imagery aerial photography of the area from 2016, as you have pointed out, there is a lot of tree cover so seeing garden contents is difficult
- 2018. jpg the area as it looked in our data in 2018, same colours as 2001 If you need them redone with a key/scale/legend/etc please let me know.

With the infra-red imagery, it will show up the vegetation for you, but I am not sure it will show up what is under trees, only make clearer what is happening in the garden areas visible from above.

If there is anything else we can do please ask, in the meantime I hope the King's College work proves useful for you.

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From: <u>allan.mayo@digitalgreenwich.com</u>

Sent: 23 August 2018 22:56

To: <u>Danny.Hyam@os.uk</u>>
Cc: <u>Miranda.Sharp@os.uk</u>>

Subject: Re: Redington Frognal Neighbourhood Plan Area

Thank you for the data and the maps that you sent.

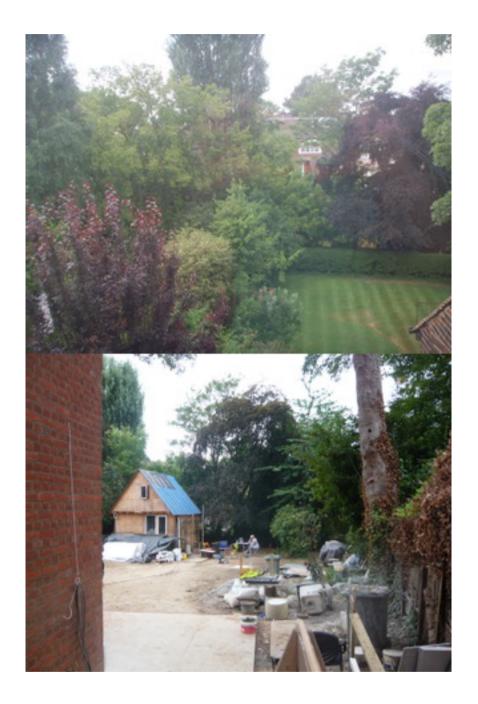
If I am honest, and not being a cartographer, I am not sure what the unlabelled maps are telling us. But if we simply take your statistics as describing what is happening then the reduction in "garden space", between 1954-2018, resulting from extensions and new build is just under 6%, prima facie of little concern, with the obvious caveat that, if these statistics do not include extensions/new build under permitted development rights, then they will be an underestimate - of unknown significance.

However, this brings us back to the core problem of the nature of the garden - the conversion of soft to hard surfaces, in the form of patios and off street parking, which is having such a deleterious effect on wildlife and rainwater run-off. I attach a couple of photos ("before" and "after") to illustrate the importance of this issue. Because of this, I understand that the Redington-Frognal Neighbourhood Forum is commissioning some research, from King's College and GiGL, that involves using infra-red technology, with a view to trying to recognise the difference between types of surface. This could potentially make a massive contribution to the debate because, whereas your own statistics suggest a reduction in gardens of only 2.3% between 2001-2018, the area of soft surface in 2018 may be only 25% of the total area (to select a hypothetical number) which would put a very different complexion on the argument.

I shall let you know the outcome. In the meantime, enjoy the horrors of development below.

Best wishes.

### Rear Garden in Hollycroft Avenue



BEFORE

DURING



Here are the stats for the different eras of data:

Size of Area of Interest:

802,300 sq m<sup>2</sup>/ 0.8 sq km<sup>2</sup>

2001

- Area of Buildings:  $175,729 \text{ sq m}^2/0.17 \text{ sq km}^2 = 21.9\%$
- Area of Gardens:  $429,960 \text{ sq m}^2/0.43 \text{ sq km}^2 = 53.6\%$

2018

- Area of Buildings:  $186,982 \text{ sq m}^2/0.19 \text{ sq km}^2 = 23.3\%$
- Area of Gardens:  $411,886 \text{ sq m}^2/0.41 \text{ sq km}^2 = 51.3\%$

New buildings since 1954:

• Area of Buildings:  $37,217 \text{ sq m}^2/0.037 \text{ sq km}^2 = 4.6\%$ 

Extended buildings since 1954:

• Area of Extensions is approximately:  $8,500 \text{ sq m}^2/0.009 \text{ sq km}^2 = 1.1\%$ 

I've uploaded a set of images for you and have placed them in Dropbox here: <a href="https://www.dropbox.com/sh/v90651wpc878l4s/AADNnXxcV2C4wqx8PN2nTpf6a?dl=0">https://www.dropbox.com/sh/v90651wpc878l4s/AADNnXxcV2C4wqx8PN2nTpf6a?dl=0</a>

Regarding digitising the old data, it is possible to edit and doctor the 2001 data make it an approximation of 1954 however it will take quite a lot of effort, so can you see what you can make of the images/stats first?

As for the issue of what the garden is made of, there really is no answer to that from Ordnance Survey data, or really from Aerial Photography, unless there is some that is flown early/late in the season when the trees are bare.

Hope this is useful.

Thanks

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Cc: <u>Miranda.Sharp@os.uk</u>>

Subject: Re: Redington Frognal Neighbourhood Plan Area

Many thanks for this.

I think you have defined the problem well. The concerns/questions about gardens are multi-layered. At the simplest level, planners need to know how much green space has been taken over by housing over a period but interest in front and back gardens extends to the way the surfaces have changed - from soft to hard - because of the hard run-offs for water which can cause flooding, as well as loss of natural environment as a habitat for wildlife. In dwellings of multiple occupancy, this can be monitored through the planning requirements but single occupancy buildings do not have to notify the Council of such changes and herein lies the problem: there are no reliable benchmarks or means of monitoring, particularly if aerial photography is constrained by mature tree cover/canopies and, as a result, the Councils do not have reliable data on which to make judgements about further gardenloss.

But you mentioned that there may be a way of using 1954 as a broad benchmark if the map were to be digitised. The Council could be asked to pay for that as part of developing the evidence based for the Neighbourhood Plan so do you have any idea how much it would cost to have it digitised and what benefits might accrue to so doing? I am also wondering whether the exercise might be worth doing as a means of defining the extent of the challenge which incremental development poses to communities.

Thank you again for taking on this challenge with such enthusiasm.

Danny.Hyam@os.uk wrote:



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From:

**Sent:** 09 August 2018 10:41

To: <u>Danny.Hyam@os.uk</u>

Subject: FW: Redington Frognal Neighbourhood Plan Area

Thank you for your help in advance

From: <u>allan.mayo@digitalgreenwich.com</u>

**Sent:** 29 July 2018 13:43

To: Miranda.Sharp@os.uk

Subject: Fwd: Redington Frognal Neighbourhood Plan Area

A range of maps defining the area.

Many thanks for exploring with your expert.

Best wishes,

Various maps of the designated Neighbourhood Plan Area, including one which shows the sub areas (or character areas) of the Redington Frognal Conservation Area

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