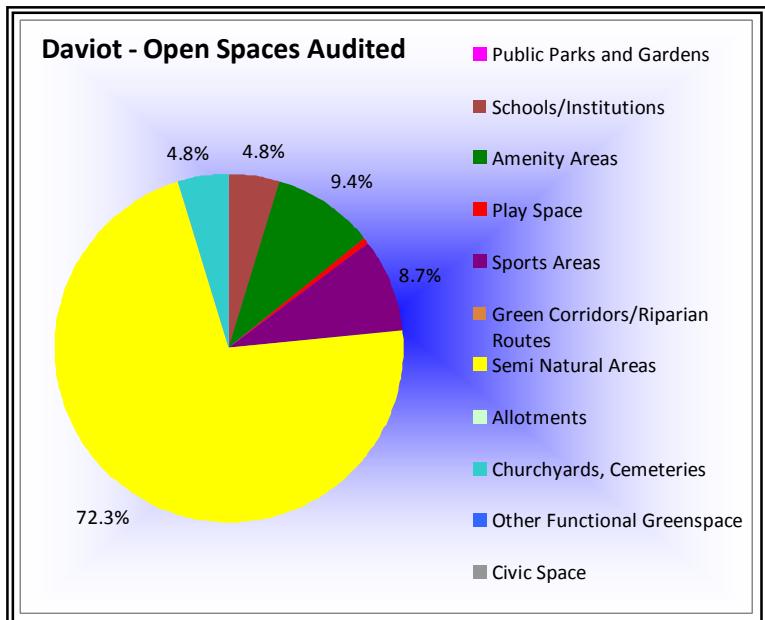


## Settlement Summary: Daviot

Population: 413

### Observations (of Community Council)

- St Colm's Churchyard and car park area would benefit from improvements (fallen gravestones, bin required) Potholes need repaired, both here and at the site opposite the church annexe.
- Area opposite school – weeds need to be treated.



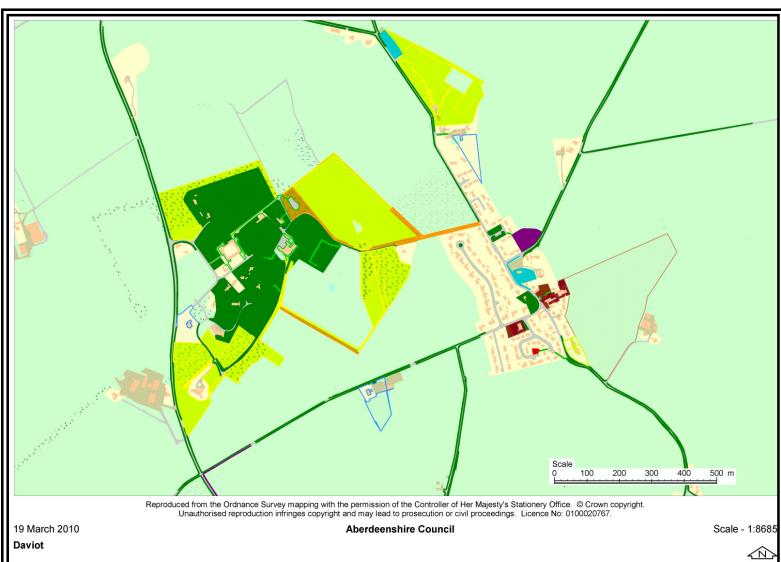
### Green Network Links

A pedestrian link joins the centre of the village to the House of Daviot; wherever possible, links to this route should be created from new areas of housing, retaining easy access to the village centre.

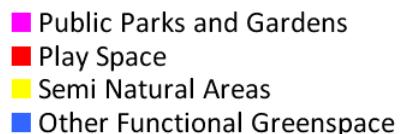
### Open Space Requirements

Daviot Community Trust is hoping to take over about 22 acres of open space for recreational purposes, and to further improve footpath provision through Daviot Estate. Although the village has adequate open space for its needs, there may be a case for reviewing the maintenance of existing areas. Consideration can be given to removal of weeds and increased mowing regimes, but this will need to be balanced against the objective of promoting biodiversity in the village. It may be that a different planting mix could deliver more positive outcomes.

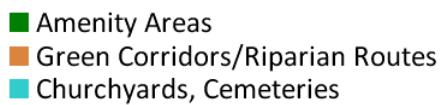
As there is no health and safety issue arising from the toppled gravestones, work to re-erect these would not be undertaken by the Local Authority. There is a bin available in the car park, in close proximity to the churchyard, and as such additional provision is unlikely.



Daviot currently has 51% open space, well above average for Aberdeenshire. The large amount of space overall, together with the high proportion of semi-natural areas (nearly three quarters of all open space) is due to the wider area around House of Daviot as well as land around the stone circle to the north being included within settlement envelope. Remaining open space types are fairly equally distributed.





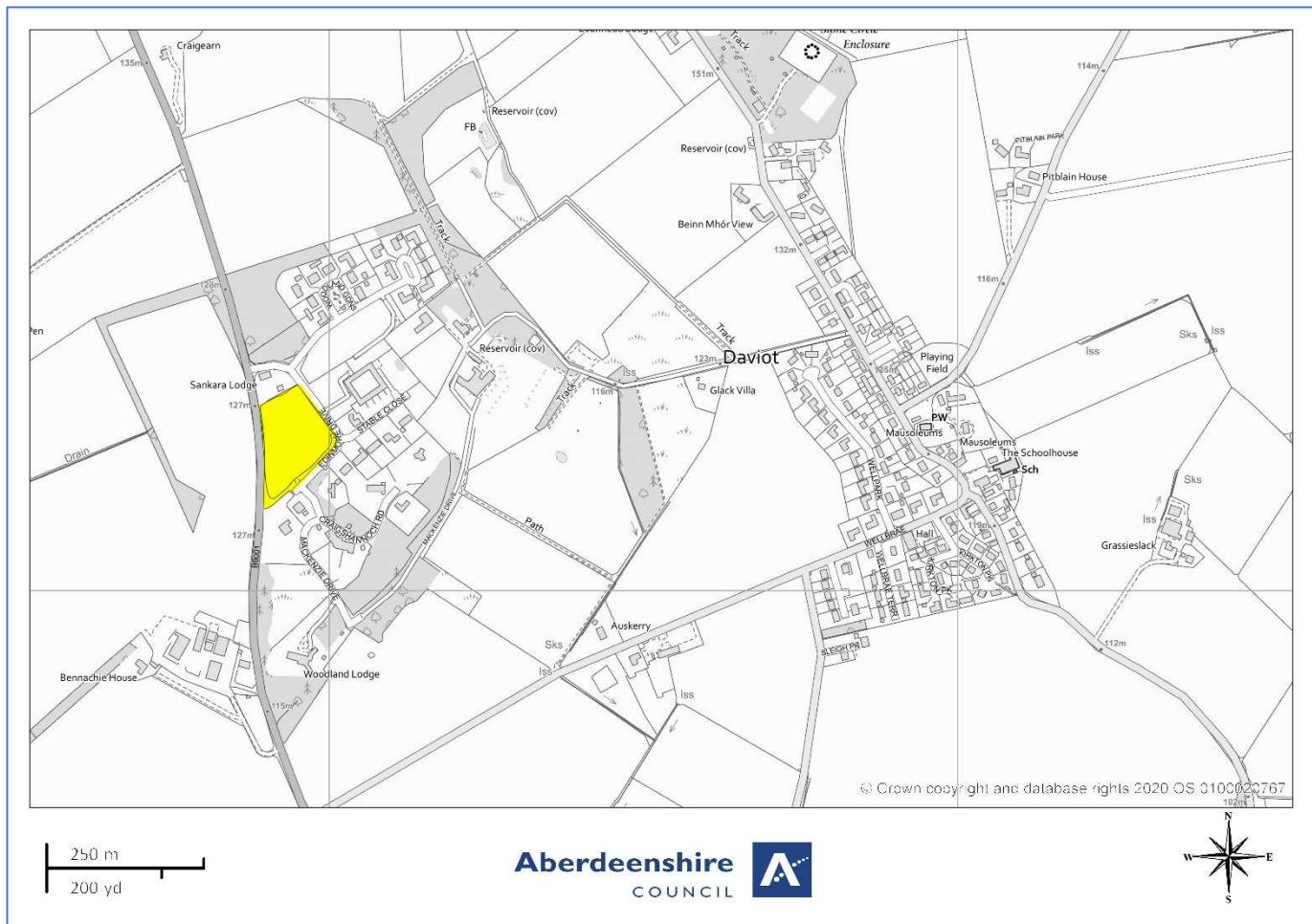


## Open Space Audit Update 2019: Daviot

An update exercise was carried out in 2019 to account for new open spaces arising from major developments completed since the Open Space Audit 2010, and to address any known disparities/gaps in information. The scope of the update exercise did not include a review of the Open Space Audit 2010. The Audit update 2019 has been used to assist in the preparation of the Proposed Aberdeenshire Local Development Plan 2020.

**This is an interim Audit.** Whilst this information will feed into a future comprehensive Open Space Audit, at this stage there may be some auditing inconsistencies across settlements due to factors such as community interest, and landscape/topography influencing how open spaces are identified, particularly at and around the edges of settlement.

Allotments are excluded as these are audited separately as part of the Food Growing Strategy 2019-2030.



- Public Parks and Gardens
- Play Space
- Semi Natural Areas
- Other Functional Greenspace

- Schools/Institutions
- Sports Areas
- Allotments

- Amenity Areas
- Green Corridors/Riparian Routes
- Churchyards, Cemeteries