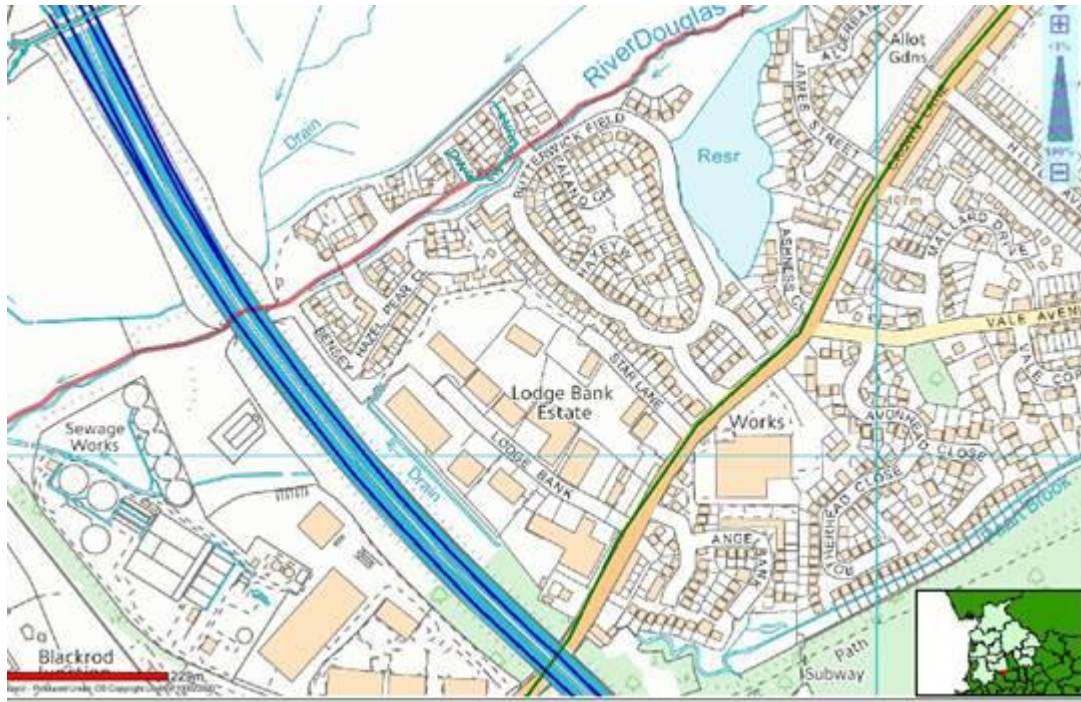


Adoption of Estates

Due to the unusual layout of this estate and its access roads, LCC and Bolton MBC highway officers have worked together and with the developer to agree which roads and bridges will be Bolton's and which Lancashire's. LCC will adopt the length of Owsten Court coloured pale blue in the plan below, just on the Lancashire side of the County boundary (being the River Douglas). This is accessed directly from Butterwick Field over a bridge, and our adoption will extend to the point at which the road crosses another bridge back into Bolton.



Butterwick Field, which leads from Crown Lane to Owsten Court, was adopted by Bolton MBC some time ago. The developer had not provided a structures agreement for the bridge connecting this road over the River Douglas to Owsten Court, to ensure it is built satisfactorily. LCC became involved last year, which has helped to unlock progress with completing the road and getting it adopted. Due to there being an emergency access link from Butterwick Field to Hazel Pear Court, which is also in Bolton, there was a direct connection to an existing adopted highway and BMBC officers were able to adopt Hazel Pear Court this summer without needing to follow the route via Owsten Court – their officers have recently been able to confirm their adoptions for our records.

The only remaining barriers to LCC adopting our areas of highway are that we are missing final details from Miller Homes relating to the structures agreement, and they also need to complete some remedial works to our satisfaction. Our local highway adoptions officer will contact Miller Homes again with an invitation to finish off all outstanding matters to enable adoption of Owsten Court. Once this work is underway an officer will be able to provide Chorley Three Tier Liaison with a progress report and an indication of timescales to adoption.

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