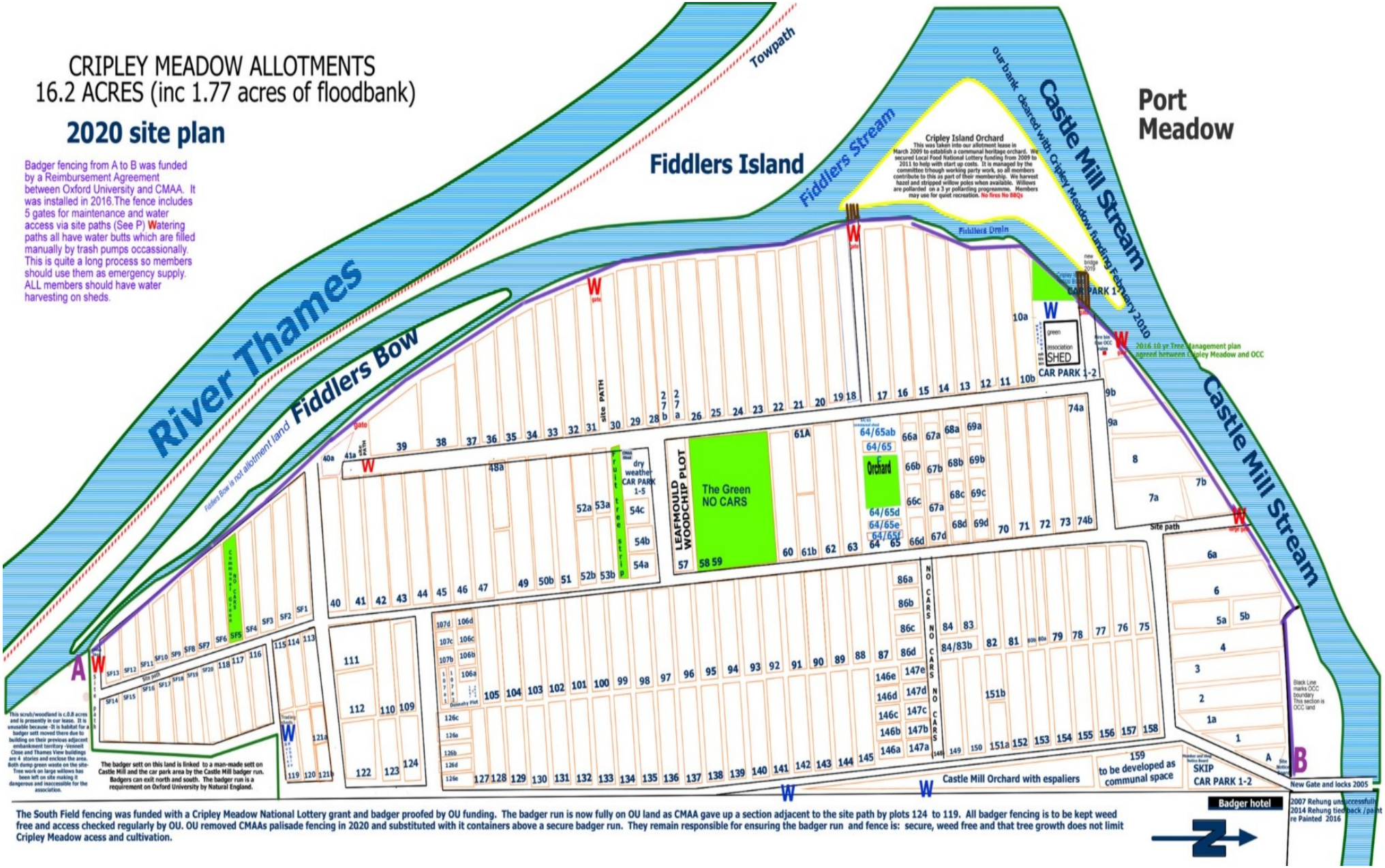
CRIPLEY MEADOW ALLOTMENTS
16.2 ACRES (inc 1.77 acres of floodbank)
2020 site plan
Badger fencing from A to B was funded by a Reimbursement Agreement between Oxford University and CMAA. It was installed in 2016.The fence includes 5 gates for maintenance and water access via site paths (See P) Watering paths all have water butts which are filled manually by trash pumps occassionally. This is quite a long process so members should use them as emergency supply. ALL members should have water harvesting on sheds.
River Thames
Towpath
Fiddlers Island
Fiddlers Stream
Castle Mill Stream
Port Meadow
Fiddlers Bow
Fiddlers Bow is not allotment land
Cripley Island Orchard
This was taken into our allotment lease in March 2009 to establish a communal heritage orchard. We secured Local Food National Lottery funding from 2009 to 2011 to help with start up costs. It is managed by the committee trhough working party work, so all members contribute to this as part of their membership. We harvest hazel and stripped willow poles when available. Willows are pollarded on a 3 yr pollarding progreamme. Members may use for quiet recreation. No fires No BBQs
our bank cleared with Cripley Meadow funding February 2010
Fiddlers Drain
2016 10 yr Tree Management plan agreed between Cripley Meadow and OCC
CAR PARK 1-2
CAR PARK 1-5
SHED
green association
dry weather
Orchard
The Green NO CARS
LEAFMOULD WOODCHIP PLOT
Fruit Tree strip
site PATH
Site path
Gate
NO CARS
Castle Mill Orchard with espaliers
159 to be developed as communal space
SKIP
CAR PARK 1-2
Badger hotel
New Gate and locks 2005
2007 Rehung unsuccessfully
2014 Rehung tied back /paint
re Painted 2016
Black Line marks OCC boundary This section is OCC land
This scrub/woodland is c0.8 acres and is presently in our lease. It is unsuitable because -It is habitat for a badger sett moved there due to building on their previous adjacent embankment territory -Vesonett Close and Thames View buildings are 4 stories and enclose the area. Both dump green waste on the site- Tree work on large willows has been left on site making it dangerous and inaccessible for the association.
The badger sett on this land is linked to a man-made sett on Castle Mill and the car park area by the Castle Mill badger run. Badgers can exit north and south. The badger run is a requirement on Oxford University by Natural England.
The South Field fencing was funded with a Cripley Meadow National Lottery grant and badger proofed by OU funding. The badger run is now fully on OU land as CMAA gave up a section adjacent to the site path by plots 124 to 119. All badger fencing is to be kept weed free and access checked regularly by OU. OU removed CMAAs palisade fencing in 2020 and substituted with it containers above a secure badger run. They remain responsible for ensuring the badger run and fence is: secure, weed free and that tree growth does not limit Cripley Meadow acess and cultivation.