## **Ashland Adoption Status November 2025**

## **East Ashland**

The east part of Ashland, shown by the blue roads on the map below, is already adopted, together with most of Shelsey Avenue. The City Council maintains all the roads, drains, street lights, name plates, etc. there, and in the square where Newington Gate and Southcott meet. The house or flat owners or housing association own the driveways and flats parking areas, and the Parks Trust maintains the open spaces.

The Parks Trust also maintains all the land around the edges of the whole grid square and the river and lake area.



Blue areas are the highways already adopted and maintained by MK City council
Orange areas are the roads and associated greenery that will be adopted when the work is complete.
Green areas are already adopted by the city council and are maintained by the Parks Trust
Red landscaped areas have no adoption agreement.

## Western Ashland (residential estate) Highways

On the west side, work has stalled. Anglian Water refused to adopt the drains and sewers until some remedials were done. They involve digging up the road, so the council can't adopt the roads. And little has happened since. But both of those should happen eventually, including the council taking responsibility for Yearlstone Square and its garden as that is designated as highways landscaping.

## **Langham Way and Genesis Green Landscaping**

The rest of the landscaping is a problem. There was no mention of it in the S106 agreement made by the government agency, so no agreement whatsoever about who takes it over. That leaves it in the hands of the developers, who would want to charge a management fee.

The alternative might be for the Parish Council to take it over and maintain it with volunteers and charge the rest to parish precept. We're trying to get an estimate of what maintenance would involve and cost.

Many thanks to the residents who are currently maintaining the Langham Way green space. The developer is, when prodded, maintaining Yearlstone Square and Genesis Green and the play equipment in the meantime. Please let the focus team know if they become a problem again.