Southern boundary of site 247 is the newly proposed Green Belt boundary (i.e. the future limit of the built form). Land to the south is the country park. As it stands with the existing boundary, the proposed country park would be half in / half out of the existing Green Belt. The existing boundary follows the tree belt then joins a footpath (currently closed off but proposed to be reinstated). Originally this was a clear delineation between the open countryside to the south, and the colliery to the north. 

To the north of the footpath, land slopes upwards and is made up of colliery spoil. This degraded industrial landscape will be greened and also be part of the country park. It therefore no longer reflects the delineation between urban and rural / open countryside – which will be instead reflected at the boundary of site 247. This is the area proposed to be placed in to the Green Belt.

Green Belt land to the south of the footpath was previously flat arable land, but has since been remodelled using colliery spoil to create a new landscape and raised topography which is part of the country park. The footpath now sits in a small valley between two hills.