

# Woodland Carbon Guarantee - Users Guide for NatureBid



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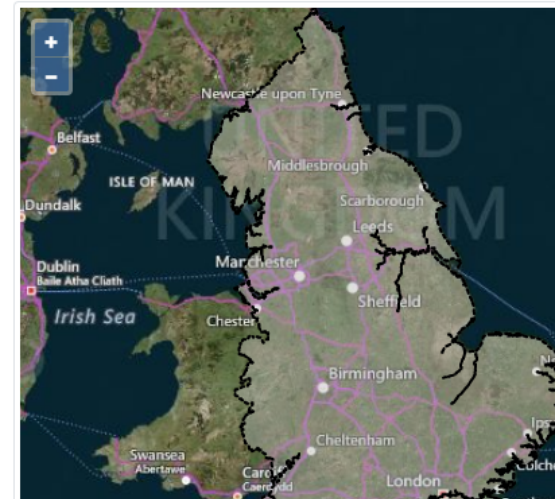
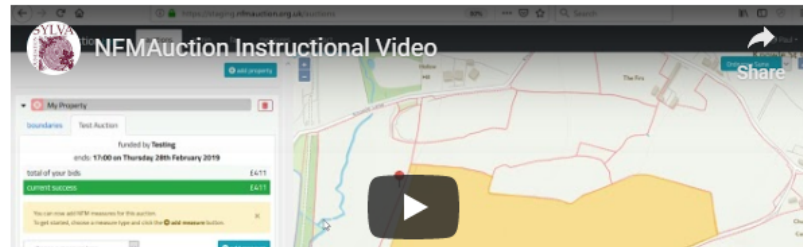
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Further information on WCaG is available at [gov.uk/guidance/woodland-carbon-guarantee](http://gov.uk/guidance/woodland-carbon-guarantee).

To bid using the Naturebid platform, you will need to register an account. Existing users log in here.

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## FAQ

- How does the auction work?

The auction allows you, or your authorised agent on your behalf, to bid for funding to pay for future carbon credits, known as Woodland Carbon Units (WCUs), generated by establishing new woodlands on your land.

To do this you bid for the amount of money, per WCU, that you need to make your investment both financially viable and worthwhile. Lower bids are more likely to be successful!

Once you or your authorised agent have registered on the site you can enter the details of your project using the project identification number included in the application confirmation letter from the Forestry Commission. You cannot enter the auction without the PIN.

The auction will operate on a simple single-shot, sealed bid process. You can enter one bid per project (or WCC group) and you will be notified if your bid is successful once the auction closes. You can amend your bid at any time until the auction closes but you will not be able to see other bids.

Prior to start of the auction the Forestry Commission will set a reserve price—bids must be below this figure in order to be considered.

The Forestry Commission will also set an overall budget for the auction—in the event that the total value of bids below the reserve price is greater than the budget, we will accept bids, starting from the lowest, until the budget is reached. In the event that several bids are tied at the point that the budget is reached we will select those bids that allow us to maximise the total amount of carbon that we are able to purchase through the auction.

- How are the Estimated Bid and Total Bid values calculated?

The Estimated Bid and Total Bid values are estimates of how much money could be paid under WCaG if your bid is successful. The individual values

Should you have any problems with using NatureBid please use the contact details found on the contact page



## contact

If you have a problem using the online auction tool, please contact the Forestry Commission at [wcag@forestrycommission.gov.uk](mailto:wcag@forestrycommission.gov.uk) or on **0300 067 4822**.

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Woodland Carbon Guarantee  
Forestry Commission  
620 Bristol Business Park  
Coldharbour Lane  
Bristol BS16 1EJ

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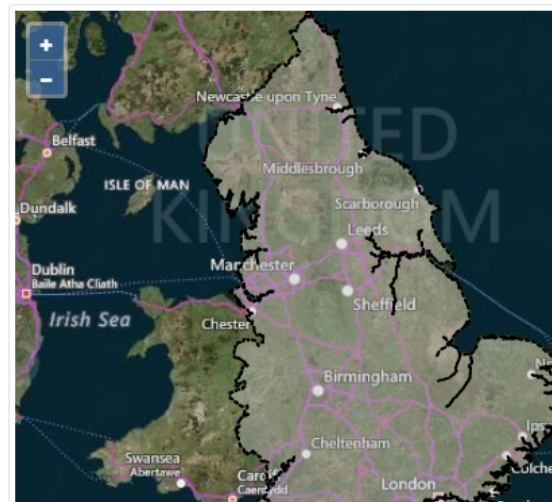
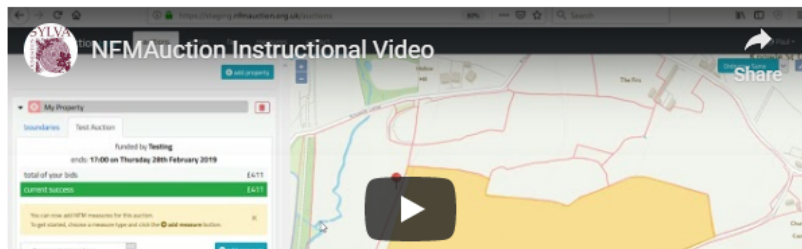
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Fill out the form, tick to agree to T&C's and then click register.

### register an account

first name

surname

email

role

applicant  
Select this option if you are the lead applicant listed on part 2.1 of the WCaG application form.

agent  
Select this option if you are an authorised agent registering to bid on behalf of a WCaG applicant

address

postcode

phone number

password

repeat password

I agree to the [terms and conditions](#)

register

[privacy notice](#)

You are now able to log into your NatureBid account. Add your email and password and then click log in.



log in

email

password

If you do not have an account, please register here.

If you have forgotten your password, reset it here.

log in

You now need to add a project into NatureBid. To do this click **+addproject**

A pop up will appear on the screen. You now need to add your Woodland Carbon Guarantee Project PIN as provided by Forestry Commission.

The screenshot shows the NatureBid website interface. At the top left, the 'NatureBid' logo is visible. The navigation menu includes 'auction', 'admin', 'faq', and 'contact'. On the left side, there are buttons for 'instructions' and '+add project', with the latter highlighted by a red box. A modal window titled 'add project' is centered on the screen, also highlighted by a red box. Inside the modal, there is a 'PIN' field containing the text '382383 / 19445637', which is also highlighted by a red box. Below the PIN field are two buttons: 'cancel' and 'add project', with the latter highlighted by a red box. The background of the page is a map showing a rural area with roads, fields, and the River Thames.

NatureBid looks up your project and adds the woodland carbon units that your have estimated for your woodland. It is your responsibility to check that the values shown on NatureBid are the same as the values you provided to Forestry Commission.

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**Alison 01**

Woodland Carbon Guarantee Auction  
funded by **Forestry Commission**  
ends: **12:00 on Monday 20th January 2020**

Project Identification Number: **972073/73430024**

Project Name: **Alison 01**

**Woodland Carbon Units** are these figures incorrect?

Please check these details are correct and then enter your bid price below.

year 5: <b>141</b>	year 10: <b>996</b>	year 15: <b>1,261</b>	year 20: <b>3,408</b>
year 25: <b>8,237</b>	year 30: <b>9,819</b>	year 35*: <b>9,307</b>	

Total WCU: **33169**

Bid Price: £  per unit

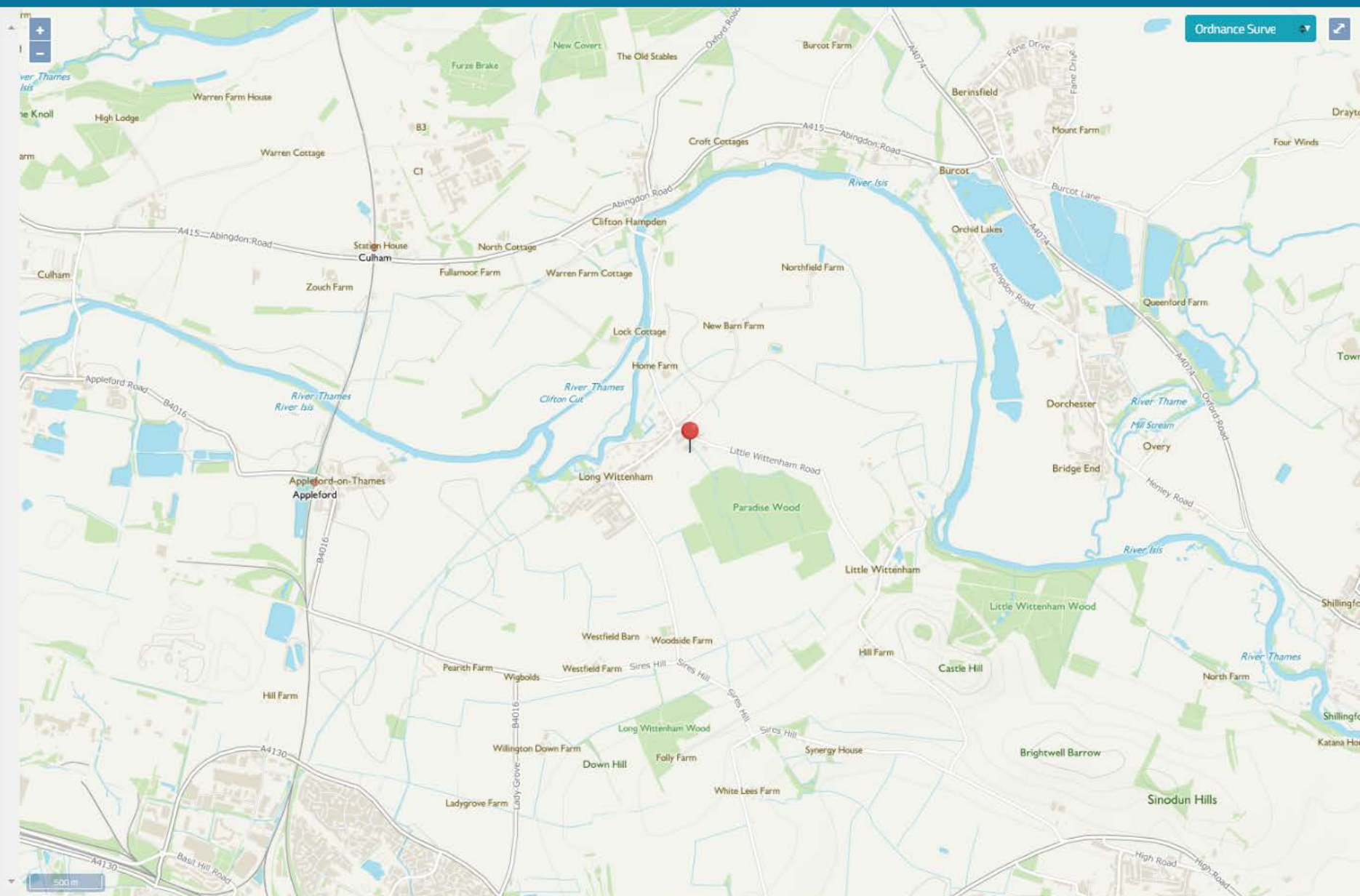
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year 35*: £		

\* or 2055/56, whichever is sooner

Estimated bid values based on inflation @ 2.2%. Values not guaranteed. [Read more](#)

Total Bid: £

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Now you need to add a price to that you are willing to sell your Woodland Carbon Units for. NatureBid uses this price plus an inflation rate to work out the potential value of your project at each vintage.

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Total WCU: **33169**

Bid Price: **£ 20** per unit

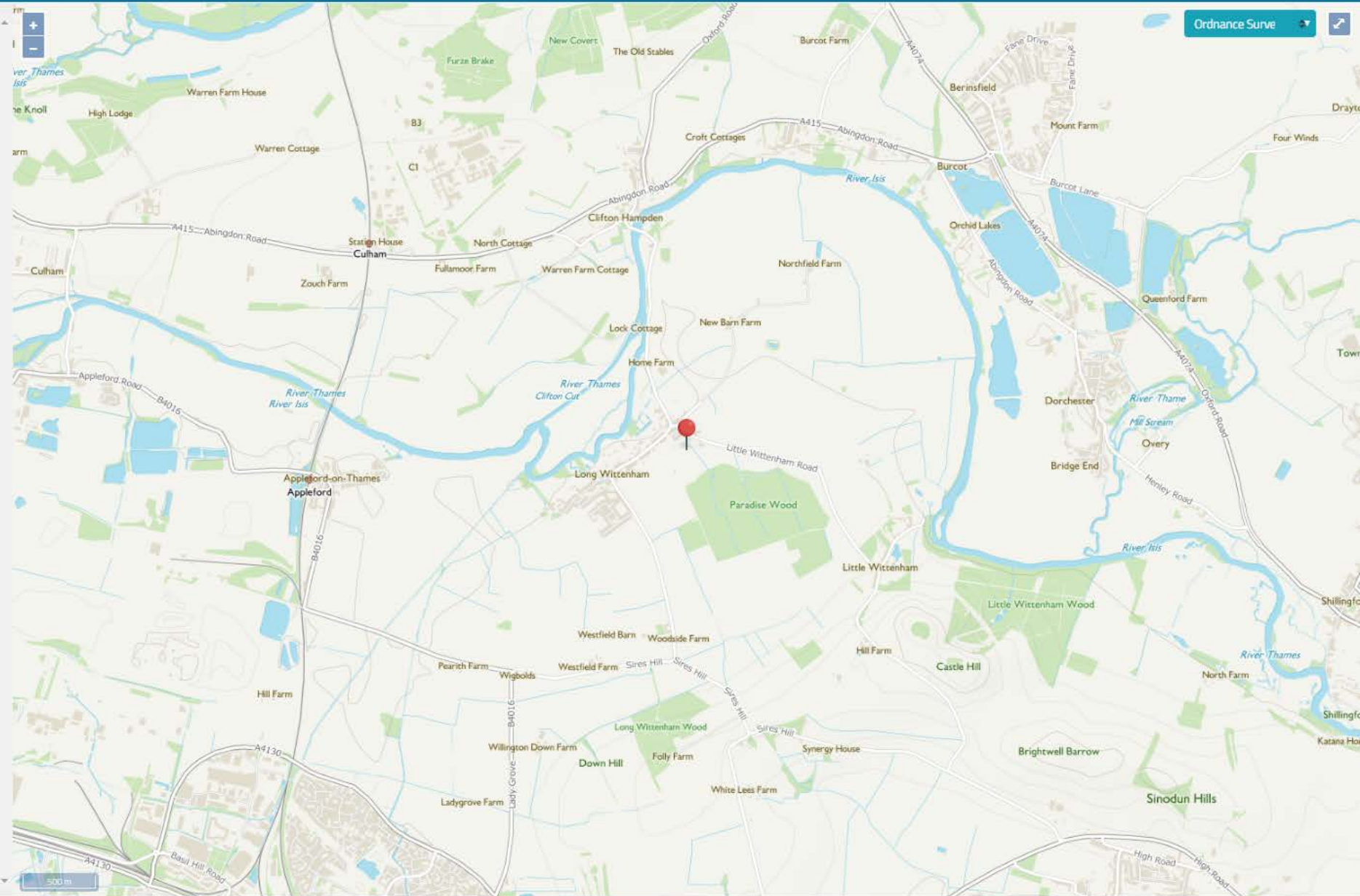
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year 35*: <b>£398,677</b>		

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Total Bid: **£1,227,953**

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Once you are happy with your bid you can either save it to be submitted at a later date or you can submit your bid into the auction. Remember you can come back and update or delete your bid anytime up until the auction is closed.

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When you have submitted a pop up will appear to confirm your bid has been submitted.

The screenshot shows the NatureBid website interface. On the left, there is a sidebar for 'Alison 01' with details about the 'Woodland Carbon Guarantee Auction' funded by the Forestry Commission, ending on Monday 20th January 2020. The main content area displays a map of a woodland area with a red pin indicating the project location. A white confirmation popup is overlaid on the map, containing the following text:

project submitted

Thank you, your bid has been successfully received.

You will be sent an acknowledgment email.

You can still edit this bid at any time until the auction closes.

ok

The sidebar also shows the 'Project Identification Number' (972073/73430024), 'Project Name' (Alison 01), and 'Woodland Carbon Units' (33169). It includes a table of bid prices for different years and a 'submit your bid' button.

Year	Bid Price
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Total Bid: £1,227,953

You will also receive an email to confirm your bid has been submitted

Your Woodland Carbon Guarantee bid been submitted 🔍 Inbox x



naturebid@sylva.org.uk

to me ▾

12:51 (1 minute ago)



Thank you for submitting a bid for the Woodland Carbon Guarantee.

Your project: **972073/73430024, Alison 01**

Your bid: **£20.00 per unit.**

You can delete or edit the details of your bid until the auction closes on Friday 31 January 2020 at <https://wcag.naturebid.org.uk>

We will send you an automated confirmation of the success of your bid once the auction closes.

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[Message clipped] [View entire message](#)

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If you want to resubmit your bid simply add another bid price in and click **submit your bid**

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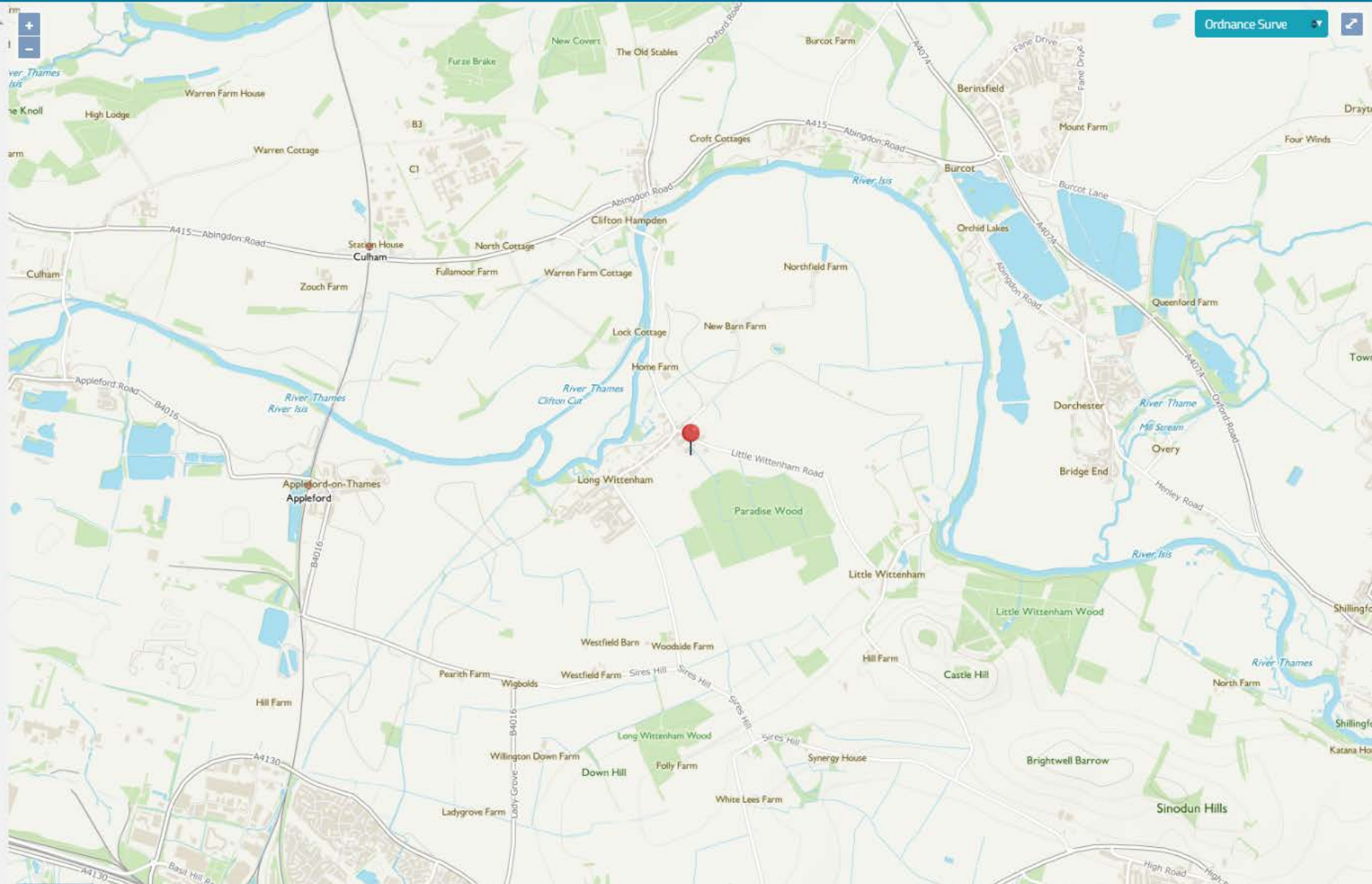
year 5: <b>£2,987</b>	year 10: <b>£23,525</b>	year 15: <b>£33,207</b>
year 20: <b>£100,062</b>	year 25: <b>£269,647</b>	year 30: <b>£358,383</b>
year 35*: <b>£378,743</b>		

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Total Bid: **£1,166,554**

This bid has been submitted. [submit your bid](#)



If you need to add another project click **+addproject** and then enter your PIN for that next project

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add project

PIN 483345 / 91108679

cancel add project

You can then follow the same process to add a bid to your new project.

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Alison 01

Spare 01

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Project Identification Number: **483345/91108679**

Project Name: **Spare 01**

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year 5: <b>453</b>	year 10: <b>547</b>	year 15: <b>1,055</b>	year 20: <b>1,390</b>
year 25: <b>2,073</b>	year 30: <b>6,202</b>	year 35*: <b>7,199</b>	

Total WCU: **18919**

Bid Price: £  per unit

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Total Bid: £

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