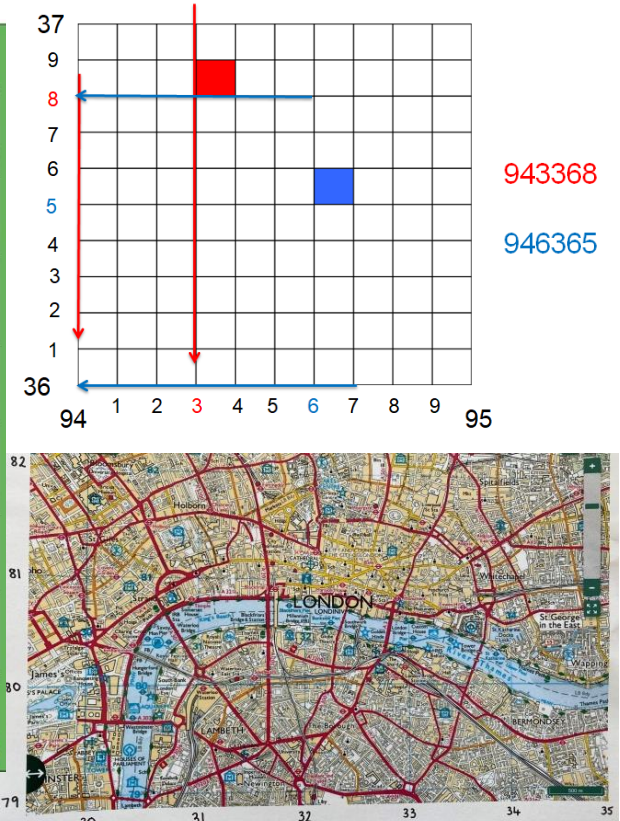
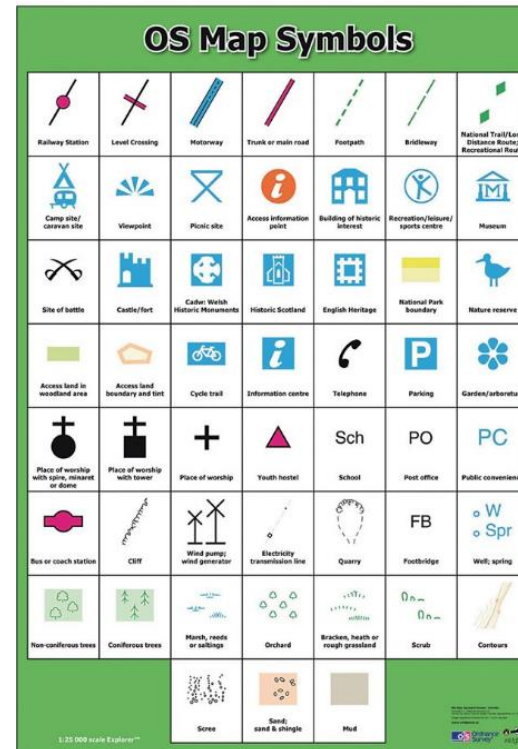


Map skills

Big Question: Drawing on your knowledge of building use in Amersham town centre, what recommendations would you now make to Amersham Town Council?

	Vocabulary	
1	ratio	A ratio tells us how much of one thing there is compared to another. The ratio of blue to red in 1: 2
2	scale	A map scale is the ratio of the distance on a map to the actual distance on the ground. If the map scale is 1:25,000 this means that every 1cm on the map represents 25,000cm (250m) So 1cm on the map represents 0.25km on land. If the map scale is 1:25,000 every 4cm on the map represents 1km.
3	convert	Change a value from one form to another eg 400m to 0.4km
4	ordnance survey map	OS maps show physical and human features as symbols.
6	sketch map	A sketch map is a simple drawing of the landscape. They show things that are sometimes hidden in photographs or maps. It is useful to annotate sketch maps and show them alongside a photo.
7	Eastings	The numbers along the bottom of an OS map
8	Northings	The number along the side of an OS map
9	6 figure grid references	These are used to mark a particular grid square or location on a map.
10	as the crow flies	An idiom for the most direct path between two points.
11	building use	The main use of a building for example shop, hairdresser, bank
12	retail	The sale of goods to the public for small consumption, rather than for re-sale.
13	vacant	In terms of building use, a building that is empty or not used.
14	survey	A survey is when you ask people a list of questions with the aim of extracting specific information from them.
15	field study	Research that takes place outside of the classroom.



We can use maps to record how buildings are used. This helps us to build up a picture of a town. This is a **field study**.

