



Recommendations Report
Local Green Space Designations
Planning Policy and Environment & Design Team

Rural Areas

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Introduction

The Local Green Space designation was introduced in national policy (NPPF, 2012 para 76-78). The policy enables local communities through Local Plans and Neighbourhood Plans to identify, for special protection green spaces of particular importance to the local community. Designating sites as “Local Green Space” will rule out development other than in “very special circumstances”, however, it is proposed to include a specific caveat in the Placemaking Plan policy so that only development that would not conflict with the reasons for designating the land as a Local Green Space would not be permitted (unless there are very special circumstances demonstrated). This caveat will allow development where it is compatible with the use of the land as a Local Green Space – such as sports related development, café or allotment sheds.

National policy within the NPPF states that to be eligible Local Green Spaces must be:

- In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves
- Demonstrably special to a local community and hold a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife
- Local in character and not an extensive tract of land

National Policy makes clear that blanket designation of all green space is not appropriate. Proposed designations must be supported by evidence that the green area is special to the local community. There are a number of specific exceptions, where designating a local green space would not appropriate:

- **Education sites** – Designating any Local Green Space will need to be consistent with local planning for sustainable development in the area. In particular, plans must identify sufficient land in suitable locations to meet identified development needs and the Local Green Space designation should not be used in a way that undermines this aim of plan making. The NPPF makes it clear that Local Green Space designations should be capable of enduring beyond the end of the plan period (para 76). The NPPF (para 72) also states that the Government attaches great importance to ensuring that a sufficient choice of school places is available to meet the needs of existing and new communities and states that local planning authorities should give great weight on the need for Schools and Colleges to expand or alter. Therefore, B&NES will be taking the approach that most schools and college playing fields will not be designated. Because of this, local green space designations within school ground including playing fields are very unlikely to be suitable for designation.
- **Highway Land/Verges** - Land adjoining the highway is subject to permitted development rights and may need to be utilised or reconfigured for highway works and is therefore not suitable for designation.
- **Sites with planning permission** – A green space within a site with extant planning permission (within the red line) cannot be designated until the development is complete. Potential sites within strategic allocations which have not been built out cannot be designated at this stage. Once the strategic allocations have been built out and during the next Plan review the potential green spaces can be nominated for designation.

Land cannot be excluded because there is an existing planning designation, although national guidance recommends that the bar is higher for land within the Green Belt/AONB or with another national designation i.e. the added value of the designation needs to be

demonstrated over and above the existing designation. On this basis it is very unlikely that land within the Green Belt/AONB or within a nationally designated Historic Park & Garden would be suitable for designation.

Process

The process to date is outlined below:

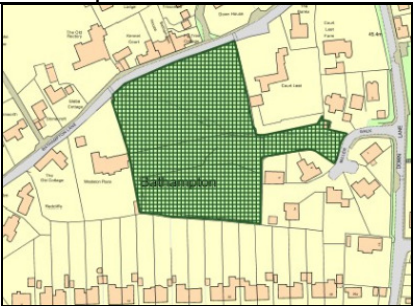
Stage	Task	Notes
Placemaking Plan Issues & Options Consultation [Nov 2014 -Jan 2015]	Public and stakeholders asked to nominate Local Green Spaces for designation in the Placemaking Plan.	
Officer Assessment of Nominated spaces [April – July 2015]	Officer site visits, research, digitising maps and application assessment. Feedback of initial officer assessment to the LDF Steering Group for discussion and early steer in July 2015.	Interim Recommendations issued to LDF Steering Group for discussion in July 2015.
Finalise nominations for inclusion in the Placemaking Plan [August – November 2015]	Consideration of comments and steer from LDF Steering Group across a number of meetings and resultant finalising of assessment process/reports and mapping to inform Cabinet consideration of Draft Placemaking Plan in December 2015. (Note – resultant site assessments collated in this Report) Identify and notify all landowners of community nomination for designation (including formal notification to Property Services/Parks) providing an opportunity for comment.	Summary report issued to LDF Steering Group and discussions with the LDF Group took place in September and November.

Methodology


As the local green space designation is linked to community value, which must be demonstrated, it was decided that community nominations would be sought. An application form was prepared to make sure that an adequate level of information could be gathered. A guidance note setting out the methodology and exemptions was also prepared (please see appendix 1).

Each of the sites nominated for designation was then assessed against the 3 NPPF criteria and the other exceptions were considered (as summarised in the Introduction) were also considered.

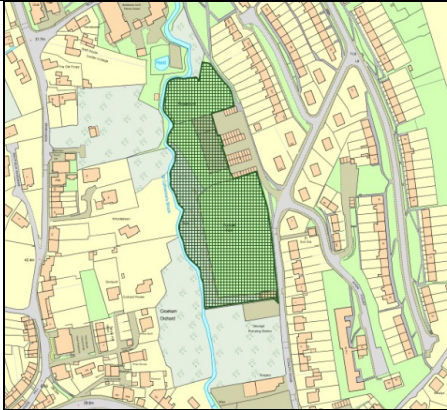
This Report is a collation of the assessments of each the nominated spaces against the NPPF criteria based on the methodology set out in the guidance note, which were used to inform the recommendations in the Local Green Space Designations Recommendations Summary Report (2015).


Parish:	Bathampton
Site name:	Miller Walk
Site number:	LGR3
Landowner: Private landowner	Private landowner
Nominated By:	Bathampton Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	The site, particularly the northern half appears like a village green within the heart of the village and enhances the row of listed cottages on the north side of Bathampton Lane
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • inside the HDB • Cotswolds AONB • World Heritage Setting
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes-the site is within the heart of the village
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Historic significance: (Summary of hard copy submission)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site is bounded on three sides by the Bathampton conservation area and makes an important contribution to the openness of this part of the village • There is a theory that the grassed bank which extends across the fields is part of an ancient field terracing system which extends down from the late bronze age/early iron age settlement of Bathampton Down • For centuries , the space has been used for agricultural and grazing purposes • There are four Grade II Listed buildings within the immediate vicinity of the site • Full archaeology report has been submitted <p>Tranquillity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The site provides a safe and tranquil route for many local people <p>Richness of wildlife</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bat activity has been observed at various sites along Bathampton lane <p>B&NES Site Visit Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comment made by a B&NES Landscape Architect (2014): <i>“the undeveloped sites are an important characteristic of Bathampton”</i>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comment made by B&NES Conservation officer (2014) <i>'this open space is a gap which serves to separate areas of development and which retain the potential to contribute to the setting of buildings within the adjacent conservation area'</i>
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Local in character and not an extensive tract of land
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	<p>Objection-Summary of several documents which support the objection:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is considered that this narrow strip of access-way land is not demonstrably special and does not hold a particular local significance for its beauty, historic significance, recreational value, tranquillity or richness of its wildlife, because • It has no special significance in terms of wildlife habitat, confirmed by the professional Ecology Reports by Nicholas Pearson Associates Preliminary LVIA and extended Phase 1 Habitat Surveys • It is not demonstrably special and does not hold a particular local significance for its beauty, being an access-way strip surrounded by houses and it is actually a legal access-way and private driveway for vehicles, with all ancillary and incidental rights, including permitted development rights • It has no special significance in terms of Historic value <p>Support- The designation would be supported by the Prior's Walk (Bathampton) Management LTD</p>
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its historic significance value to the local community


Parish:	Bathampton
Site name:	Warminster Road
Site number:	LGR2
Landowner:	Private landowner
Nominated By:	Bathampton Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	From across the Avon Valley to the north the site forms part of the patchwork of open hillside extending down into development which is characteristic of the Bath World Heritage Site Setting
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inside the HDB • Cotswold AONB • World Heritage Setting
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes-the site is within the heart of the village
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Beauty:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Views across to Little Solsbury Hill • Hillside site which can be seen from Little Solsbury Hill <p>Historic Significance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The site is bounded to the north by the Bathampton Conservation Area • It makes an important contribution to the openness of this part of the village and the setting of the conservation area • For centuries the site has been used for agricultural and grazing purposes • The site lies to the west of the medieval village of Bathampton and close to the location where a roman burial has been recorded • Full archaeology report has been submitted <p>Richness of wildlife:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bat activity has been recorded at various sites along the lane and the site may function has a connecting corridor of natural habitat over a large meander of the River Avon and the Kennet and Avon Canal which may be used for commuting bats • There are 15 trees (with TPO's) including mature oaks (Grade A) on this site <p>Character Value:</p>


	The site provides a pastoral element, which is very important in the villages rural character and preventing the loss of identity
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Local in character and not an extensive tract of land
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Objection
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its historic significance value to the local community

Parish:	Batheaston
Site name:	Batheaston Recreational Ground
Site number:	LGR5
Landowner:	Social Housing Provider & Batheaston Parish Council
Nominated By:	Batheaston Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Recreational ground with children's play structure and children's skate part. The site is set within the St Catherine Brook corridor and is surrounded by mature trees and the St Catherine Brook
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • Site is within the Batheaston Neighbourhood Plan Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	The site is outside however immediately adjacent to the housing development boundary. The site is adjacent to a large housing estate.
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently used as a multi sports court and play area • The site, which is adjacent to the Primary school contains the only children's playground in Batheaston • The site is the location for all sporting facilities in Batheaston. It contains a: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Community meeting room ▪ Football field & changing facilities ▪ Multi sports court ▪ Small basketball area ▪ Skateboard ramp <p>Community Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High level of community support as evidenced by the Batheaston VDS evidence base
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Local in character and well contained site
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its recreation value to the local community


Parish:	Batheaston
Site name:	Batheaston Gardens
Site number:	LGR4
Landowner:	Private landowner
Nominated By:	Batheaston Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Formal gardens of Batheaston House surrounded by a Grade II Listed wall. The gardens include a decorative shell headed niche and ashlar seats.
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Part within the Housing Development Boundary and part in the Green Belt • Batheaston Conservation Area • Site is within the Batheaston Neighbourhood Plan Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes-The site is adjacent to housing and the retail core of the village
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Historic Significance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Batheaston Gardens are a public open space and is well used by the residents of Batheaston • Historical ornamental garden • Batheaston Gardens is a locally important place, laid out as formal gardens with lawns, paths, seats, trees shrubs, flower beds and stone and metal sculptural items • The gardens were originally part of the grounds of Batheaston House • Following a compulsory purchase of the gardens in 1960, the gardens were declared as a Public Open Space and over a number of years, improved to provide the popular and well used gardens that exist today <p>Recreational Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It forms a significant green space in the centre of the Village in close proximity to the river, bridge, cycle path, footpath, shops and car park • The site is managed as a garden and provides trees, shrubs and flowers for the benefit of residents, the environment and local wildlife
Local in character and not an extensive tract of	Yes – clearly defined space


land	
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its historic significance and recreational value to the local community


Parish:	Bathford
Site name:	Bathford Allotments
Site number:	LGR1
Landowner:	Bathford Parish Council
Nominated By:	Bathford Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Well-maintained allotments
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In Housing Development Boundary • Saved Local Plan Policy: CF.8 (Allotments) • Protected Allotment (Draft Placemaking Plan Policy LCR8)
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes-the site is within the heart of the village
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational and Historical Significance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The allotments were created on the 19th May 1880 and are one of the oldest in the country. They were founded for the "labouring poor of the village" and the rules and arrangements that are in hand today are those originally enacted • They represent an important part of our village's social history and clearly over 125 years, these allotments have meant a great deal to a large number of parishioners • The allotment provides produce for the Bathford shop <p>Richness of Wildlife:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is evidence of badgers and other wildlife on the site
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes-well contained site
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its historic significance and recreational value to the local community


Parish:	Camerton Parish Council
Site name:	Camerton Batch
Site number:	LGR6
Landowner:	Camerton Parish Council
Nominated By:	Camerton Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Flat batch covered in native broadleaved trees
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • Local Nature Reserve • BRERC Regionally Important Geological Site
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes-the site is close to the village housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Historic Significance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Batch has evolved substantially since its first creation in the late 1780's during the birth of the coal mining era. 200 years on, the site is still evolving into one of the most interesting combinations of both post-industrial era landscapes and thriving wildlife habitat • Being one of the few remaining 'flat batches' in the area, this early form of spoil heap construction, was once dominated by conifers, largely Scots Pine (<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>) and Douglas Fir (<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i>) that were originally planted to stabilise the coal spoil, and for the production of 'pit-props' in the mid 1920's. This appearance of a small hill being covered by conifers led to the Batch being affectionately nicknamed locally as 'Little Switzerland' <p>Richness of Wildlife</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Batch is working woodland which is used by the community • The Batch supports a varied range of wildlife. There are mammal ranging from voles and shrews to the largest mammal the Roe Deer, there are many bird species and bat species and on the southern side of the spoil heap, there is a long established Badger Set. The reserve has many species of insects, beetles and butterflies and most importantly there are the protected species, such, as the greater and lesser horseshoe bats and the little dormouse


	<p>Geological Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As well as being a Local Nature Reserve the site is also important for geology and is designated as a Regionally Important Geological Site (RIGS)
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes-well contained site and not an extensive tract of land
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its historic significance and richness of wildlife value to the local community


Parish:	Camerton Parish Council
Site name:	New Pit Batch
Site number:	LGR10
Landowner:	Government
Nominated By:	Camerton Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Batch covered by broadleaved trees
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • BRERC Regionally Important Geological Site
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes-the site is close to the village housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Historic Significance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Historical association with the Camerton Coal mines and now a batch covered by broadleaves • The Batch has evolved substantially since its first creation in the late 1780's during the birth of the coal mining era [link to industrial history]. 200 years on, the site is still evolving into one of the most interesting combinations of both post-industrial era landscapes and thriving wildlife habitat <p>Richness of Wildlife:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Camerton New Pit Batch supports a varied range of wildlife. There are mammal ranging from voles and shrews to the largest mammal the Roe Deer, there are many bird species and bat species and on the southern side of the spoil heap, there is a long established Badger Set. • The reserve has many species of insects, beetles and butterflies and most importantly there are the protected species, such, as the greater and lesser horseshoe bats and the little dormouse
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes-the site is local in character and well contained
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	None
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its historic significance and richness of wildlife value to the local community


Parish:	Camerton Parish Council
Site name:	Camerton Recreational Area
Site number:	LGR8
Landowner:	Camerton Parish Council
Nominated By:	Camerton Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Recreational ground enclosed by hedgerows and trees, adjacent to the village hall
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • Saved Local Plan Policy: SR.1A (Protection of playing fields and recreational open space)
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is close to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Important volunteer led social and community recreational facility available for sporting activities including football and cricket matches. Used for a variety of community events including village fairs, dog shows etc • Provides opportunities for physical exercise and other form of leisure • Camerton Athletic FC club use the grounds for training and other sporting uses
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes- well contained site
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its Recreational value to the local community


Parish:	Camerton Parish Council
Site name:	The Daglands Green Space
Site number:	LGRND6
Landowner:	Bath and North East Somerset Council
Nominated By:	Camerton Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Green space surrounded by housing and a small fence
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes-close to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Community Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Used as an informal recreation area and community space e.g. at Christmas for carol singing round the Christmas tree
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes- local in character and not an extensive tract of land
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Objection- Query over amenity value; object as this has been considered as a possible site for additional housing given close proximity of other green space
Recommendation	While there is reference to evidence of local use of the green space and community value, local green space designations need to be consistent with local planning for sustainable development in the area. In particular, plans must identify sufficient land in suitable locations to meet identified development needs. This green space has been identified as being a location which may be suitable for housing in the future. Therefore is not in accordance with the NPPF criteria and therefore is inappropriate for designation.

Parish:	Camerton Parish Council
Site name:	Coke Oven Copse
Site number:	LGR7
Landowner:	Private landowner
Nominated By:	Camerton Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Copse covered in native broad leaved trees
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the Housing Development Boundary
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is close to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Historic Significance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As well as its historical worth as evidence of Camerton’s mining heritage area the Coke Oven Copse is a valued wooded green area. In entries to the Royal Horticultural Societies <i>it’s Your Neighbourhood competition</i> for the South West of England the Copse has received awards for its Environmental Responsibility, Gardening Achievement and Community Participation <p>Richness of Wildlife</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Coke Oven Batch supports a varied range of wildlife. There are mammal ranging from voles and shrews to the largest mammal the Roe Deer, there are many bird species and bat species and on the southern side of the spoil heap, there is a long established Badger Set. The reserve has many species of insects, beetles and butterflies and most importantly there are the protected species, such, as the greater and lesser horseshoe bats and the little dormouse
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes-well contained site and not an extensive tract of land
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	None
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its historic significance and richness of wildlife value to the local community


Parish:	Camerton Parish Council
Site name:	Daglands Play Area
Site number:	LGR8
Landowner:	Bath and North East Somerset Council
Nominated By:	Camerton Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Green space with a children's play structures
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes-close to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Park is a multipurpose play, sports and recreational area. • In the Parish Plan, the children scored the Park as the most valuable asset in Camerton • Under the Pathfinder Scheme the Park was upgraded. The children designed an activity boat which was built & paid for under the scheme • Over £40,000 was spent on the project and significant other monies have also been spent by various organisations. The investment, by young people, in the Park has contributed to a fall in youth anti-social behaviour • Well used park by the local community
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for recreational value to the local community

Parish:	Camerton Parish Council
Site name:	Overdale
Site number:	LGRND7
Landowner:	Social Housing Provider
Nominated By:	Camerton Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Small green space surrounded by development on three sides
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt • outside the Housing Development Boundary
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes-the site is close to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes- small and well contained site
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	<p>Objection- Curo OPPOSES the designation of this site as LGS.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No recreational facilities or demonstrable local significance • The site is already in the Green Belt so further designation is wholly unnecessary
Recommendation	Do not designate as a local green space designation. Nominated by the Parish Council for its recreation and wildlife value to the local community however the site is within the Green Belt and no additional information has been submitted on why it needs the additional protection


Parish:	Compton Martin
Site name:	LGR11
Site number:	Compton Martin Allotments
Landowner:	Private landowner
Nominated By:	Dr V Williamson
Map	
Description of green space:	Well-maintained allotments
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • Mendip Hills AONB • Site is within the Chew Valley Neighbourhood Plan Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is adjacent to the village hall and is close to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small, however well used and well maintained allotment • Allotment gardening is a recreation which provides exercise, fresh food and a sense of well-being <p>Richness of Wildlife</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The site is rich in insect, invertebrate and bird life. Deer, badgers and foxes have been seen on this site. Apart from attracting insects such as hoverflies, bees and lacewings, hedges and bramble on the site are a favourite for nesting birds like robins, wrens, song thrushes and blackbirds
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes-clearly defined space in part of a larger field
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Objection- The allotments are a part of a larger tract of land and therefore not in accordance with paragraph 77 of the NPPF
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for recreational and richness of wildlife value to the local community

Parish:	Compton Martin
Site name:	The Amenity Field
Site number:	LGR13
Landowner:	Compton Martin Parish Council
Nominated By:	Compton Martin Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Well contained space surrounded by mature trees and hedgerows. Extensive views across the Chew Valley area
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • Mendip Hills AONB • Site is within the Chew Valley Neighbourhood Plan Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is adjacent to the village hall and is close to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The need for an Amenity Field is documented in the Parish Plan on page 9. The Field was jointly purchased by the Village Hall Committee and the Parish Council in 2006 • The Village Hall has always been an important part of the community, and the acquisition of the Amenity Field has increased the local activities the Village Hall can offer • The Amenity Field has become a valuable asset to the Village Hall, and therefore to the community • The Hall Committee now regularly take bookings for weddings, allowing the facility of erecting marquees and yurts in the field • Compton Martin celebrated the Queen’s Diamond Jubilee, by having children’s and adult competitions, a tea dance, The Big Lunch. Despite the rain, all went ahead and was a great success. • Walkers, Ramblers, Dog walkers use the Amenity Field on a regular basis • The Amenity Field has become a major part of the community <p>Richness of Wildlife:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The original hedgerow surrounding the field supports a variety of wildlife • There continues to be much wildlife associated with a field such as this, even though it is now used as an amenity field • Rabbits, badgers, birds are a very prominent feature of the


	<p>surrounding hedgerows</p> <p>Tranquillity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is a tranquil space, well used and much appreciated by the community • This is an area of peace and quiet offering a tranquil walk with a dog, the ability to look at the views available <p>Community Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The views from the Amenity Field are second to none
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes-clearly defined space
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for recreational and richness of wildlife value to the local community

Parish:	Compton Martin
Site name:	The Batch
Site number:	LGR14
Landowner:	Compton Martin Parish Council
Nominated By:	Compton Martin Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Small batch adjacent to the parish church
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the Housing Development Boundary • Mendip Hills AONB • Site is within the Chew Valley Neighbourhood Plan Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes-the site is close to housing and the village amenities
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Historic Significance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Batch has been a very important part of village life, and can be seen in photographs dating back to 1890, please see page 6 of the Parish Plan and 1908 please see page 14 of The Village and its History • The Batch can also be seen in the June 2006 photograph on page 9 of The Parish Plan and just seen in the comparable photograph inset of June 1906 • The Batch has been part of village life to well over 100 years and can be seen in photographs dating back to 1890 <p>Tranquillity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The view from the top wall of The Batch is the Mill Pond, the bench where people can sit, the wildlife, the children feeding the ducks or fishing. The Village Pump. With the tranquil setting of the Church and School Room behind <p>Richness of Wildlife:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The bats from the Church fly over The Batch and across the pond catching insects on the wing • The one remaining Beech tree, growing on The Batch, is at least 100 years of age and probably older. This space must be protected for the future • Ducks nest on The Batch and birds nest in the Beech Tree


	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bats fly from the Church over The Batch to feed on insects on the pond <p>Community Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Batch is considered an important landmark of the village The top wall of the Batch is a good viewing point for the Mill Pond The Batch is a very important part of Compton Martin. One can stand at the top of the Batch and view the Mill Pond and if one stands at the Mill Pond, the view is of The Batch, the one remaining Beech tree and the Church The view of the Mill Pond from the Batch is demonstrated in the photograph on page 12 of the Parish Plan The green area, is maintained and kept in good order by the Parish Council on behalf of the parish It is a very important and unique space
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes- small and well contained site
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support
Recommendation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its historic and richness of wildlife value to the local community


Parish:	Compton Martin
Site name:	The Mill Pond
Site number:	LGR15
Landowner:	Compton Martin Parish Council
Nominated By:	Compton Martin Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	A natural pond with an abundance of wildlife
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inside the Housing Development Boundary • Mendip Hills AONB • Compton Martin Conservation Area • Site is within the Chew Valley Neighbourhood Plan Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes-the pond is close to housing and village services
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Historic Significance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The historic significance of the Mill Pond is admirably demonstrated by photographs on page 9 of The Parish Plan, showing a photograph of residents in June 2006 with a similar photograph in June 1906 <p>Richness of Wildlife:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Parish Council are working towards the Mill Pond being a natural pond, with mallards, moorhens, kingfishers, and herons living and visiting the pond on a regular basis • A number of species of fish live in the pond, along with frogs and insects • Each spring the pond accommodates a large amount of frog spawn/tadpoles • Moorhens and Mallards are permanent residents on the pond, and of course in the spring, there will be great excitement when they build their nests and raise their young • There remains one farmyard duck, by the name of Desmond. He is a long standing resident of the Mill Pond, much loved by villagers, particularly children who feed him regularly. He is approximately 23 years of age <p>Community Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Mill Pond is situated in the centre of the village, and is a well-established landmark of the Chew Valley

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Schools and nursery schools in the area will often visit
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes- local in character and well contained
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support- the parish council support the nomination
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its richness of wildlife and community value to the local community

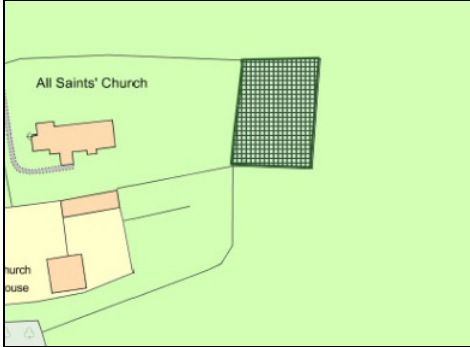
Parish:	Compton Martin
Site name:	Combe View
Site number:	LGR12
Landowner:	Compton Martin Parish Council
Nominated By:	Compton Martin Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Green space with extensive views across the Combe
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • Mendip Hills AONB • Conservation Area • Site is within the Chew Valley Neighbourhood Plan Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – it is surrounded by housing on two sides
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a walled footpath affording pedestrians a safe walk from The Batch, along the main road • Dog walkers will walk across, and it is used by most villagers who are out and about on foot, offering a safe pedestrian footway • The Parish Plan shows a map of Footpath Walks <p>Tranquillity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Combe View is situated at the bottom of the Combe, in a conservation area. There is a weeping ash tree and a bench where people sit and look up at the view • Residents will sit in quiet contemplation • Ramblers will often picnic on Combe View <p>Richness of Wildlife:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Weeping Ash on the site is a recognized habitat for bats. A copy of a Bat Survey of Weeping Ash in Compton Martin, by Greena Ecological Consultancy was attached with the submission • As demonstrated by the attached Bat Survey, included in this report, the Weeping Ash Tree is visited by or is home to the Myotis species, Common pipistrelle, Soprano pipistrelle, Pipistrellus pygmaeus, Noctule Bats • Combe View is adjacent to fields, with the usual wildlife, badgers, rabbits, birds

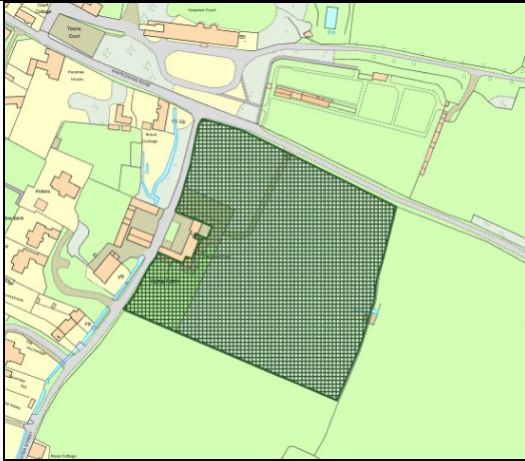
	<p>Community Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The stunning views from Combe View are of great importance to Compton Martin as demonstrated by the fact that the Combe is often photographed and has been used in television programmes. • The Combe View is included in the Compton Martin Parish Plan, photograph to be found on page 18 • The Combe is also mentioned in the Compton Martin Parish Plan. Please refer to page 6 showing the Combe in 1982, Page 15 and the chapter on the built environment on pages 16 and 17
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes- local in character and well contained
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support-parish council support the nomination
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its richness of wildlife and community value to the local community

Parish:	Dunkerton
Site name:	Dunkerton Cricket Ground
Site number:	LGRND10
Landowner:	Dunkerton Parish Council
Nominated By:	Dunkerton Parish Council
Map*	 <p>* Triangular site to the north east is the Manders Orchard nomination</p>
Description of green space:	A cricket ground enclosed by mature trees and hedgerows
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • Saved Local Plan Policy: SR.1A (Protection of playing fields and recreational open space)
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – The site is close to houses
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recreational value as used by Dunkerton Cricket Club. • Also adjacent to Manders Orchard and therefore forms one complete area for the recreational benefit of the local community as well as the cricket club
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes- local in character and well contained
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support
Recommendation	Do not designate as a local green space designation. Local Green Spaces should only be designated when a plan is prepared or reviewed, and be capable of enduring beyond the end of the plan period. Sports grounds and pitches could be utilised in bringing forward additional sports buildings and/or pavilions in the future which would be contrary to Local Green Space Designation

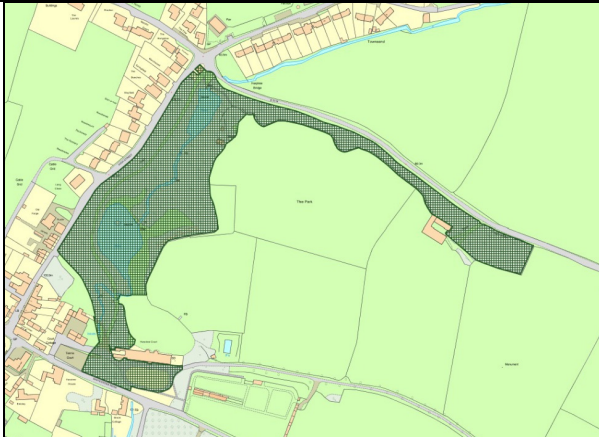
Parish:	Dunkerton
Site name:	Manders Orchard
Site number:	LGRND11
Landowner:	Dunkerton Parish Council
Nominated By:	Dunkerton Parish Council
Map*	 <p>*Triangular site is the Manvers Orchard site</p>
Description of green space:	Small, well maintained community orchard
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt • Outside the Housing Development Boundary
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes/no - The site is close to some houses.
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Community Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community orchard run by a local group of volunteers as an informal recreational resource with the produce and resulting products being made, enjoyed and used by the community
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support
Recommendation	Designate as a local green space designation. Nominated by the Parish Council for its value to the local community however the site is within the Green Belt and no additional information has been submitted on why it needs the additional protection

Parish:	Dunkerton
Site name:	Dunkerton Green
Site number:	LGRND14
Landowner:	Dunkerton Parish Council
Nominated By:	Dunkerton Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Nominated by the Parish Council for its recreation and tranquillity value to the local community however the site is within the Green Belt and no additional information has been submitted on why it needs the additional protection
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt • Outside the Housing Development Boundary
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes - The site is close to houses
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Community Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Area of public green space adjacent to the community library (based in a former BT telephone box) that is available to the community as an informal recreational space and an area of tranquillity with a public bench for quiet reflection and/or reading
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support
Recommendation	Do not designate as a local green space designation. Nominated by the Parish Council for its value to the local community however the site is within the Green Belt and no additional information has been submitted on why it needs the additional protection


Parish:	Dunkerton
Site name:	Millennium Wood
Site number:	
Landowner:	Dunkerton Parish Council
Nominated By:	Dunkerton Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Community woodland planted with oak, ash, beech and wild cherry
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt • Outside the Housing Development Boundary
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes - The site is close to houses
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Community Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Significant because it was planted to celebrate the Millennium and is a natural wildlife area, providing a tranquil spot adjacent to the church yard for quiet reflection and enjoyment by the community. Being located adjacent to the PROW BA10/15 "The limestone Link" it is also enjoyed by the many local walkers who pass through the Cam Valley
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support
Recommendation	Do not designate as a local green space designation. Nominated by the Parish Council for its value to the local community however the site is within the Green Belt and no additional information has been submitted on why it needs the additional protection

Parish:	East Harptree
Site name:	Home Farm Orchard
Site number:	LGR17
Landowner:	Private landowner
Nominated By:	East Harptree Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	An orchard enclosed by hedgerows and fences
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • Mendip Hills AONB
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is adjacent to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Historic Significance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This area represents a surviving remnant of the farming way of life which prevailed in the village before more recent developments and expansion of the village • Located to the east of Water Street, the space adjoins the conservation area and has views across it. The space also adjoins open countryside and is bounded by hedgerows • The site is elevated and can be viewed from the higher lands to the south. The retention of the area as an orchard is important both as a link to the villages past and as an important site for wildlife <p>Richness of Wildlife:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The space remains an orchard with mature trees growing in rows. It provides an important area for wildlife at the edge of the village and has bats; nesting birds and has reptiles within its area. • The space represents an important area at one end of the wildlife corridor across the village
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space

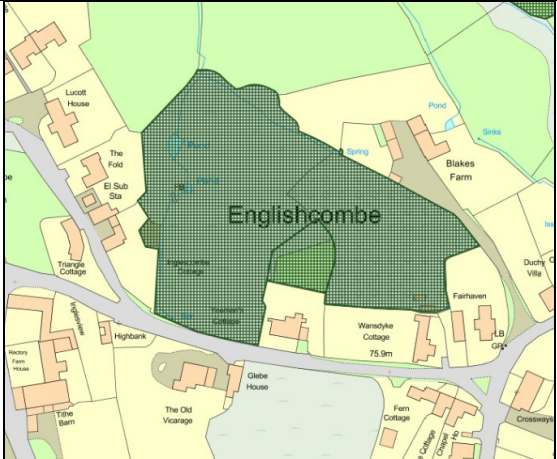
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	None
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its richness of wildlife and historic significance to the local community

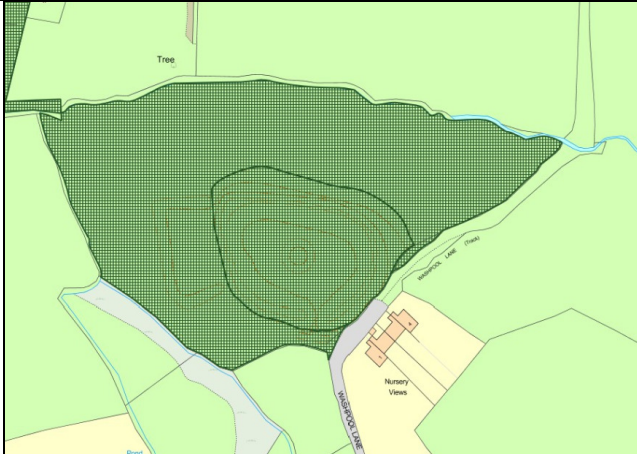
Parish:	East Harptree
Site name:	Harptree Court
Site number:	LGRND16
Landowner:	Unknown
Nominated By:	East Harptree Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Large linear green space which includes a pond and woodland and forms part of the Harptree Court.
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • AONB • BRERC Sites of Nature Conservation • Saved Local Plan Policy BH.9 (Parks and Gardens of Special Historic Interest)
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is adjacent to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes - nominated by the Parish Council for its historic and wildlife value to the local community
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	No – not a clearly defined space and the site is a large tract of land
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	None
Recommendation	This proposed local green space lies within a Historic Parks and Garden site. While there is reference to evidence of local use of the green space, its community value and Historic value, no justification

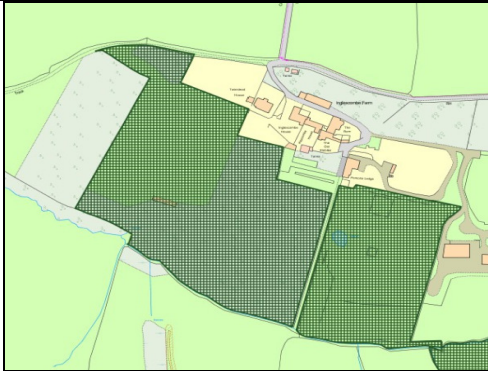
	as to what added benefit local green space designation would bring is added. In the absence of this this site is not recommended to be designated as a local green space designation.
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Parish:	East Harptree
Site name:	Parkers Mead
Site number:	LGR16
Landowner:	Private Landowner
Nominated By:	East Harptree Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Sloping green space behind the east Harptree Primary School which is bounded by trees and hedgerows. There are long views towards the Chew Valley Area.
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the Housing Development Boundary • Mendip Hills AONB
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is adjacent to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Historic Significance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This area represents the only remaining open space within the centre of the village and adjoins the school, church and public house. Areas to the south and east of Parkers Mead have been developed over the years leaving the space as an important buffer between the new and historic parts of the village and the conservation area which abuts the northern boundary • There is the possibility of archaeological remains within the site area and a public footpath connects the church with Middle Street • The site is located in close proximity to the conservation area boundary and therefore impacts on the east Harptree conservation area and setting • It is an open sloping field which allows for important views across from Church lane to the rooftops of the historic village core towards the reservoir • It also acts as a distinct visual break on Church lane between the conservation area 'character area' and the built form of the C20 character area to the east. • The green space of the site helps to clearly separate the two, and defines the entrance point to the conservation area where open countryside character abuts the edge of the village. Therefore the openness of the site currently provides an important and sensitive contribution to the setting <p>Landscape and Character Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The site is within the AONB

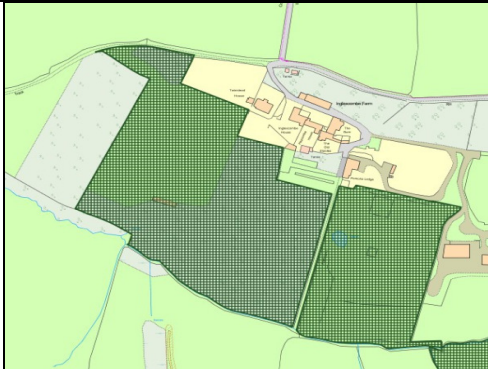
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmentally sensitive and a visually important open space • The space is elevated and sloping to the north giving good views out of the village toward the lake and is a prominent site when viewed from outside the village • The space gives good views of the church and out across the conservation area <p>Richness of Wildlife</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The space is designated as grassland and provides an important wildlife corridor across the village and has been identified as a feeding ground for bats, a nesting site for birds and has reptiles within its area • There is evidence of territory marking by badgers • The space is surrounded by hedgerows with mature trees and contains dilapidated structures which are also useful to wildlife
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space
Exceptions	Yes- the land designated for a potential school expansion site will have to be excluded from the designation as this land has been allocated in the B&NES Core Strategy. The remaining field is recommended for designation
Landowner support/objection	Objection- The site lies within the AONB and there has been no explanation as to what additional land benefit would be given by this designation. Indeed, the appeal Inspector specifically recognised that this site was not identified as an important open space in the adopted Local Plan. The fact that the site is presently open does not justify an additional designation especially given the AONB designation
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its historic significance value and character value to the local community

Parish:	Englishcombe
Site name:	Millstream Paddock and Wheelwrights Orchard
Site number:	LGRND21 & LGRND22
Landowner:	Private landowner
Nominated By:	Englishcombe Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Large green space surrounded by hedges and includes an orchard, wildflower meadow and pond.
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt • Outside the Housing Development Boundary
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is adjacent to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Tranquillity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Millstream Paddock and Wheelwrights Orchard is a haven of peace and tranquillity in the heart of Englishcombe, with free access and open to all <p>Recreational Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organised and run by residents of the village and parish, it provides a wildlife sanctuary where people of all ages can enjoy, can sit, can wander and can appreciate the beauty of our Englishcombe heritage and our abundant flora, fauna and wildlife • It is also used as a recreational facility to hold outdoor community events
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	No- large tract of land which is not local in character
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support- The designation would be supported by the Duchy of Cornwall
Recommendation	Do not designate as a local green space designation. Nominated by the Parish Council for its value to the local community however the site is within the Green Belt and no additional information has been submitted on why it needs the additional protection


Parish:	Englishcombe Parish Council
Site name:	Culverhay Castle
Site number:	LGRND17 & LGRND18
Landowner:	Englishcombe Parish Council
Nominated By:	Englishcombe Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	11 th /13 th Century ringwork ditch and bank, up to 5 feet (1.5 m) deep which is surrounded by a ring of mature trees.
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • Ancient Scheduled Monument
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – it is adjacent to houses
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	Historic Significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ancient Scheduled Monument
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support-The Parish Council support the designation
Recommendation	Do not designate as a local green space designation. Nominated by the Parish Council for its value to the local community however the site is within the Green Belt and no additional information has been submitted on why it needs the additional protection

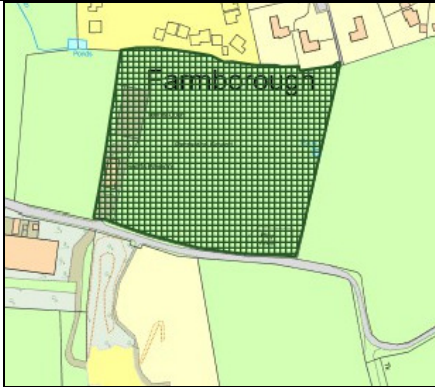
Parish:	Englishcombe Parish Council
Site name:	Haycombe 1
Site number:	LGRND19
Landowner:	Private landowners
Nominated By:	Englishcombe Parish Council
Map*	 <p>*The eastern site is Haycombe 2</p>
Description of green space:	Large green space surrounded by mature hedgerows
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes/no – it adjoins some housing and Inglescombe farm
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Beauty:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This green space has local significance and beauty, especially with the tree planting that has been undertaken. <p>Recreational Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It also has recreational value. Amongst other activities there have been held song and dance weekends for youngsters, who would not otherwise get out into the countryside. • Accommodation was in self-built "yurts" <p>Tranquillity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The area is very tranquil and there is wildlife. <p>Richness of Wildlife:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Areas have been left "wild" to provide cover for deer which use the valley; in addition there are the usual foxes, badgers, rabbit/hares, states, weasels; plus buzzards and barn owls
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	No- large tract of land which is not local in character. Relates to the wider countryside rather than to the housing and farm
Exceptions	None

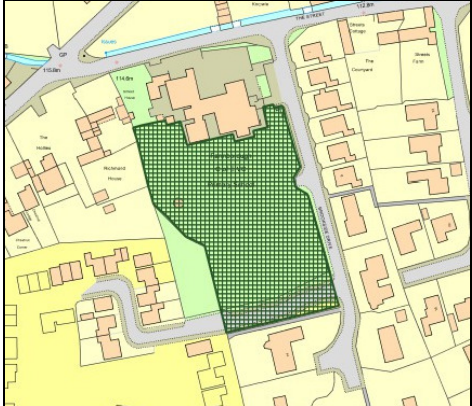
Landowner support/objection	Objection
Recommendation	Do not designate as a local green space designation. Nominated by the Parish Council for its value to the local community however the site is within the Green Belt and no additional information has been submitted on why it needs the additional protection

Parish:	Englishcombe Parish Council
Site name:	Haycombe 2
Site number:	LGRND20
Landowner:	Private landowners
Nominated By:	Englishcombe Parish Council
Map*	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The western site is Haycombe 1
Description of green space:	Large green space surrounded by mature hedgerows
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt • Outside the Housing Development Boundary
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – it adjoins housing and Inglescombe farm
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Beauty:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This green space has local significance and beauty, especially with the tree planting that has been undertaken. <p>Recreational Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It also has recreational value. Amongst other activities there have been held song and dance weekends for youngsters, who would not otherwise get out into the countryside. Accommodation was in self built "yurts" <p>Tranquillity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The area is very tranquil and there is wildlife. <p>Richness of Wildlife:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Areas have been left "wild" to provide cover for deer which use the valley; in addition there are the usual foxes, badgers, rabbit/hares, states, weasels; plus buzzards and barn owls • Nominated by the Parish Council for its recreation and wildlife value to the local community however the site is within the Green Belt and no additional information has been submitted on why it needs the additional protection
Local in character and not an extensive tract of	No- large tract of land which is not local in character. Relates to the wider countryside rather than to the housing and farm

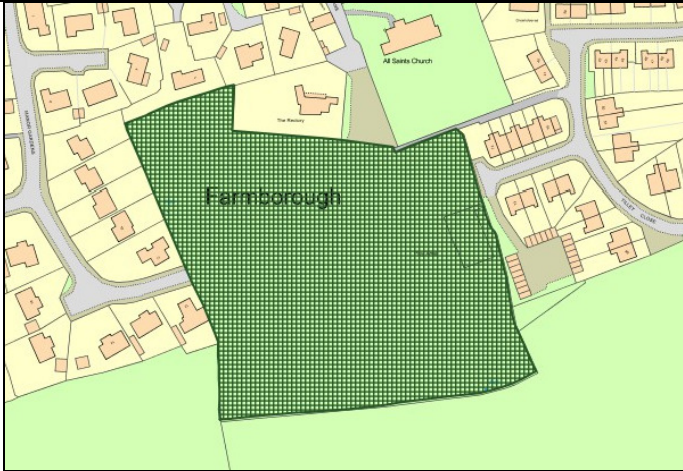
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Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Objection
Recommendation	Do not designate as a local green space designation


Parish:	Farmborough
Site name:	Farmborough Allotments
Site number:	LGRND23
Landowner:	Farmborough Parish Council
Nominated By:	Farmborough Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Well-maintained allotments
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt • Saved Local Plan Policy: CF.8 (Allotments) • Protected Allotment (Draft Placemaking Plan Policy LCR8) • outside Housing Development Boundary
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is adjacent to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support
Recommendation	Do not designate as a local green space designation. Nominated by the Parish Council for its value to the local community however the site is within the Green Belt and no additional information has been submitted on why it needs the additional protection

Parish:	Farmborough
Site name:	Farmborough Recreational Field
Site number:	LGRND24
Landowner:	Farmborough Parish Council
Nominated By:	Farmborough Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Green space with a pavilion and opportunities for playing cricket and football
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt • Outside Housing Development Boundary
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is adjacent to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support
Recommendation	Do not designate. Nominated by the Parish Council for its recreational value to the local community however the site is within the Green Belt and no additional information has been submitted on why it needs the additional protection

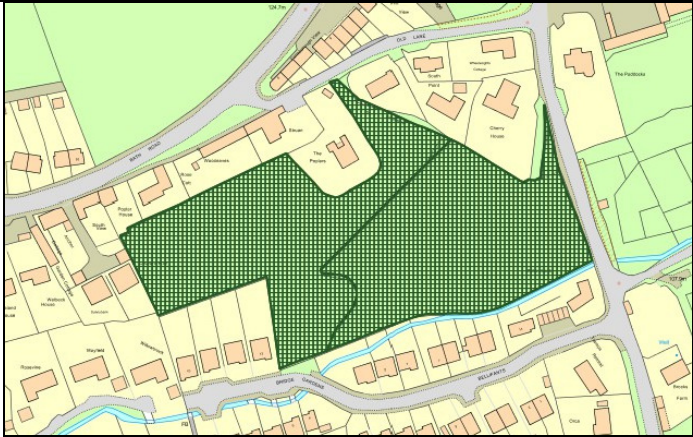
Parish:	Farmborough
Site name:	Farmborough Primary School Field
Site number:	LGRND28
Landowner:	Farmborough Parish Council
Nominated By:	Farmborough Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Green space surrounded by trees and hedgerows with glimpses across to the open countryside
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site is subject to planning permission on part of the site • Saved Local Plan Policy: SR.1A (Protection of playing fields and recreational open space)
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is adjacent to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	None
Recommendation	It is not appropriate to designate spaces that are allocated or proposed for development. The site is part of a larger planning application and therefore the boundary of any potential Local Green Space cannot be determined at present. Further school and college playing fields and grounds are not normally be suitable for designation. This is because national guidance states that the space


	<p>designated as 'local green space' must be capable of enduring beyond the plan period. In order to address future needs for school places there may, on some school sites, be a need to reconfigure the arrangement of school buildings and playing fields. The NPPF states that local planning authorities should give great weight to the need to create, expand or alter schools. Therefore, given this priority educational sites (grounds and playing fields) are not suitable for designation</p>
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Parish:	Farmborough
Site name:	Molliers Glebe Land
Site number:	LGRND21
Landowner:	Private landowner
Nominated By:	Farmborough Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Sloping green space surrounded by housing
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site is subject to planning permission • Inside Housing Development Boundary
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is adjacent to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Objection
Recommendation	Do not designate as a local green space designation. It is not appropriate to designate spaces that are allocated or proposed for development. The site is part of a larger planning application and therefore the boundary of any potential Local Green Space cannot be determined at present


Parish:	Farnborough
Site name:	Land adjacent to Bramble Cottage
Site number:	LGR18
Landowner:	Farnborough Parish Council
Nominated By:	Farnborough Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Small green space which is contained behind a stone wall
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inside the Housing Development Boundary
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is adjacent to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Character:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moving into the narrow Church Lane from The Street past the cottages, the green area provides a less enclosed feeling to the location and one which adds value to the experience of the Church users • The second reason for the designation is to recognise the perception of openness that the green area provides at the base of Church Lane • The proposed site which is currently unoccupied is considered to form part of the Church Lane street scene which is characterised by detached buildings surrounded by extensively landscaped gardens which preserves the rural character of this locality, although no clear uniformity is visible within the street scene • Due to the elevated position of the site, it is clear to see the evolution of Farnborough's built environment which portrays a spectrum of building styles, sizes and materials all of which play a role in the development of the character of this locality • Boundaries comprise local stone walls and grassed or planted banks which extend along the lane engendering an enclosed and intimate semi-rural character which adds to the unique character of this part of the village • The site contrasts with and complements with the appearance of its surroundings, and it makes a significant contribution to the character of the lane

	<p>Historic Significance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From a historical perspective the land has, apart from occasional use in days gone by as a cottage garden, been free from any activity • Church Lane is the oldest lane in this village along which funeral and wedding processions have passed and must pass. It sometimes forms the venue for village celebrations <p>Religious Significance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Church Lane is the only access to the church and the ceremonial function of the church, along with its religious identity is enhanced by the openness provided by the land in question •
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	<p>Objection-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The land is in private ownership however residents regularly access the site-this is trespassing • The land has no historical significance • There is no recreation value to the land • The land is not a cottage garden and is a unused piece of land • There is no wildlife value • The land is not tranquil • Farmborough Parish Council failed to demonstrate the local importance as indicated in the NPPF paragraph 77
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its character value to the local community


Parish:	Farmborough
Site name:	The Poplars
Site number:	LGRND26
Landowner:	Private landowner
Nominated By:	Farmborough Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Sloping green space surrounded by housing
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site is subject to planning permission • Inside Housing Development Boundary
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is adjacent to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Objection- The northern part of the site has outline planning permission and the whole site is within the redline boundary of a site with planning permission
Recommendation	Do not designate as a local green space designation. It is not appropriate to designate spaces that are allocated or proposed for development. The site is part of a larger planning application and therefore the boundary of any potential Local Green Space cannot be determined at present

Parish:	Farrington Gurney
Site name:	Ham Lane Allotments
Site number:	LGR19
Landowner:	Private landowner
Nominated By:	Farrington Gurney Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Well maintained allotments
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • Saved Local Plan Policy: CF.8 (Allotments) • Protected Allotment (Draft Placemaking Plan Policy LCR8)
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the green space is adjacent to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Historic Significance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The allotments have been in the village since at least the 1890s • The allotments date back to the late 1890s and correspondence exists together with rent books going back as far as 1897. Tales also circulate of some of the stalwarts of the allotments who in the past had kept pigs and taken them to slaughter at the end of the year <p>Recreational Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are 15 allotments in Ham Lane with the majority rented out by people living in Farrington Gurney with the remainder let to residents living in nearby villages • There is a community spirit at the sites with many of the allotment holders having been there for many years. Plots have passed from generation to generation with grandparents, parents and then children all tending the same plot • One of the plots has been tended by the same person for the last 50 years. At 80 years of age, it was becoming too demanding and reluctantly the villager was giving notice. This has played an important part of his life and enabled him to provide his family with fresh fruit and vegetables and well as provided exercise , relaxation, a hobby and chance to establish lifelong friendships.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The allotment holders help others with digging etc and offer advice and share expertise • Some enter their produce into shows • The allotments are a valuable asset to the village and a place where grandparents and families can go and enjoy time together being productive, growing vegetables in a beautiful environment overlooking the Somerset countryside. Fresh air and exercise all come as a bonus • The allotments are a friendly, peaceful and tranquil place to be where community spirit abounds <p>Richness of Wildlife</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The allotments are surrounded by mature hedgerow. Birds nest, raising their young and at all times of the year can be seen darting in and out of the vegetation. • There are other less seen wildlife in the area, foxes, badgers and deer are all known to be living in the areas around the recreation ground • Buzzards can be seen circling overhead
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support-The Duchy of Cornwall support this designation
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its recreational value and richness of wildlife value to the local community

Parish:	Farrington Gurney
Site name:	Sunnyside Allotments
Site number:	LGR20
Landowner:	Private landowner
Nominated By:	Farrington Gurney Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Well maintained allotments
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • Saved Local Plan Policy: CF.8 (Allotments) • Protected Allotment (Draft Placemaking Plan Policy LCR8)
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the green space is adjacent to housing.
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Historic Significance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The allotments have been in the village since at least the 1890 • The allotments date back to the late 1890s and correspondence exists together with rent books going back as far as 1897. Tales also circulate of some of the stalwarts of the allotments who in the past had kept pigs and taken them to slaughter at the end of the year <p>Recreational Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are 60 at Sunnyside with the majority rented out by people living in Farrington Gurney with the remainder let to residents living in nearby villages • There is a community spirit at the sites with many of the allotment holders having been there for many years. Plots have passed from generation to generation with grandparents, parents and then children all tending the same plot • One of the plots has been tended by the same person for the last 50 years. At 80 years of age, it was becoming too demanding and reluctantly the villager was giving notice • This has played an important part of his life and enabled him to provide his family with fresh fruit and vegetables and well as provided exercise, relaxation, a hobby and chance to establish lifelong friendships • The allotment holders help others with digging etc and offer advice and share expertise • Some enter their produce into shows

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The allotments are a valuable asset to the village and a place where grandparents and families can go and enjoy time together being productive, growing vegetables in a beautiful environment overlooking the Somerset countryside. Fresh air and exercise all come as a bonus • The allotments are a friendly, peaceful and tranquil place to be where community spirit abounds <p>Richness of Wildlife:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The allotments are surrounded by mature hedgerow. Birds nest, raising their young and at all times of the year can be seen darting in and out of the vegetation. There are other less seen wildlife in the area, foxes, badgers and deer are all known to be living in the areas around the recreation ground. Buzzards can be seen circling overhead
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support-The Duchy of Cornwall support this designation
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its recreational value and richness of wildlife value to the local community

Parish:	Farrington Gurney
Site name:	Farrington Gurney Recreational Ground
Site number:	LGR21
Landowner:	Private landowner
Nominated By:	Farrington Gurney Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Recreational Ground, tennis courts, Skate Park and landscaped play space incorporating fixed play equipment.
Existing Planning Designations:	Outside HDB, Protected Recreational Ground
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – it close to housing and to the Farrington Gurney Church of England Primary School
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Football Teams- The extensive playing fields provide two full size football pitches and have been home to the Village Football teams (first & reserve side) and have done so since 1901 when it officially joined the Somerset FA • There is a long and established history of the village having and actively supporting their football teams. Farrington joined the mid Somerset league in 1961/61 and stayed with the league for four seasons before moving to Bristol league. Both sides now play in the Mid- Somerset football league, with the first team playing in the highest division • The fields are used for training and matches between August to June with a short break for the close season • Farrington Gurney Primary School- The school overlooks the recreational ground and the children depend on having access and use of the village play park, playing fields and tennis court which are situated directly opposite the school building. The children simply have to walk across a quiet country lane to take full advantage of the recreation facilities which provide invaluable PE and Arts facilities for the children • The school football team play and host matches in the fields and also afterschool activities are enjoyed in the grounds including games of tag rugby • The children also have their own allotment within the grounds of the recreation ground where they learn how to cultivate vegetables and lovingly tend their plot. Important lessons are learnt here at the school gardening club and hopefully some children may go on to tend village allotments later on, growing fruit and vegetables for their own families • The School sports day, after school activities, annual firework


display and other school gatherings and occasions take place in the playing fields


- Most recently a service of remembrance took place to remember those who lost their lives in the First World War. The children joined with members of the British Legion and army field hospital regiment to commemorate the event with a field of poppies being the setting for a special assembly with pupils, staff and families all taking part. The flowers were blessed by Father Christopher from Downside and Rev Guy Edwards. The young and old of the village again coming together as a community and utilising the green space, the playing fields
- The recreation ground is a valuable asset to the school and the acting head, Mrs Jean Welch, has added her support to protect the recreation ground for the children
- Alongside the Memorial Hall Car park is a grass terrain BMX track which is overseen by the Parish Council and is also a year round facility
- There are also plans in progress to build a Boules pitch to enable the village to enter teams into local leagues with neighbouring villages
- The Village Children's Play Area is also located within the area to be protected
- It is well equipped and heavily used all year round by village children and families coming from further afield
- A single tennis court which is flood-lit and used all year round is located on the site and whilst not hosting a formal club is available on a pay & play basis, including during the winter under flood-lights
- The recreation ground in an invaluable space used by both young and old in the village. Whether for exercise, sport, recreation, fundraising or social events, this facility provides something for everyone living in Farrington Gurney
- The Recreation ground is situated in the heart of the village overlooking the beautiful Somerset country side with views towards the Parish Church of St John's , Temple Cloud and High Littleton and beyond


Community Value:


- The recreation ground is regularly used for the Annual Village Day and a number of annual events such as the Midsomer Norton Motorcycle Club's annual show and gala day and during the forthcoming year a new event - a vintage car rally will take place. All these events help raise the profile of the village
- Within the area of the overflow car park, together with the school allotments is the award winning W.I
- The Hall car park regularly hosts car boot sales/bring and by events for the purpose of fund-raising for the local pre-school play group -Little Fidgets
- The recreation ground and Memorial Hall together with the village school and St Johns Church help to form the heart of the village which is a friendly, peaceful and tranquil place to live where community spirit abounds

	<p>Tranquillity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When not being used for social and sporting events it is a very tranquil place where families can go and enjoy a picnic, spend some time together in the play park or perhaps kick a football around on the field • Dogs are not allowed so it is a safe and clean place away from traffic, noise and pollution <p>Richness of Wildlife:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bee Garden and the playgroups allotment • During the summer fields of crops are grown directly next to the grounds and cows can be seen grazing in adjoining fields • The recreation ground is surrounded on some sides by mature hedgerow • Birds nest, raising their young and at all times of the year can be seen darting in and out of the vegetation. There are less seen wildlife in the area, foxes, badgers and deer are all known to be living in the areas around the recreation ground • Buzzards can regularly be seen circling overhead
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	The Recreation ground is at the heart of the village, close to the school and church
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support-The Duchy of Cornwall support this designation
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its recreational value to the local community

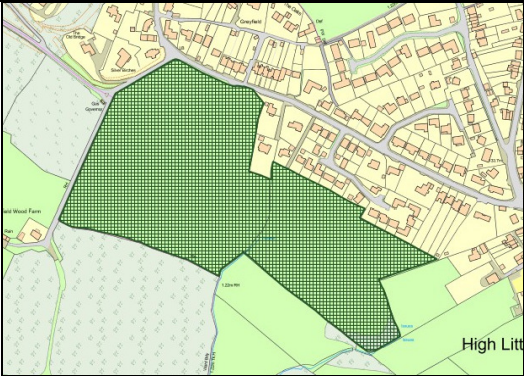
Parish:	High Littleton
Site name:	Hallatrow Allotments
Site number:	LGR22
Landowner:	Bath and North East Somerset
Nominated By:	High Littleton Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Well-keep allotments
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • Saved Local Plan Policy: CF.8 (Allotments) • Protected Allotment (Draft Placemaking Plan Policy LCR8)
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is adjacent to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational and Community Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The allotments have seen the same holders for 6 years. One gentleman well into his 80's, is still enjoying tending to his plot • The allotments have open farm land on two sides and are very close to Greyfield Wood • We have noticed that the allotments boosts the ecosystem productivity and due to its nature there are areas which remain untouched which is perfect for natural sustainability • The site is rich in insect, invertebrate and bird life
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support-The Parish Council support the designation
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its recreational and community value to the local community

Parish:	High Littleton
Site name:	Hallatrow Triangle
Site number:	LGR23
Landowner:	Bath and North East Somerset Council
Nominated By:	High Littleton Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Small heart shaped green space covered in mature trees.
Existing Planning Designations:	Inside the HDB
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is adjacent to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Community Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of a few communal green spaces within High Littleton parish • Focal point in Hallatrow. Situated in the centre of the village • Perfect siting for Christmas tree • The Parish owned park bench is sited on the Hallatrow Triangle • A memorial stone from a Quaker burial ground is sited on the Triangle • The Triangle is mentioned in the Parish Council's Village Design Statement as the main communal space in Hallatrow • Hallatrow's main communal green space is the Triangle <p>Richness of Wildlife:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mature trees provide wildlife habitats for numerous birds and mammals
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support-The Parish Council support the designation
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its community value to the local community


Parish:	High Littleton
Site name:	Gores Park Play Area
Site number:	LGR24
Landowner:	Bath and North East Somerset Council
Nominated By:	High Littleton Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Small children's park surrounded by hedgerows and fencing
Existing Planning Designations:	Inside the housing development boundary
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is adjacent to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is used as a meeting place for families and dog walkers • A play area for children • This green is the other end of the village to the Recreation Ground • There is play equipment for younger children and it provides a place for them to meet safely
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support –The parish Council support the designation
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its recreational value to the local community

Parish:	High Littleton
Site name:	High Littleton Recreational Ground
Site number:	LGR25
Landowner:	Bath and North East Somerset Council
Nominated By:	High Littleton Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Recreational Ground adjacent to housing.
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • Local Plan Policy SR.1A (Protected Playing Field)
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is adjacent to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Recreation Ground is used by parishioners from both villages and many people who do not live in the Parish • The Recreation Ground has excellent play equipment for a wide age range of children from toddlers to teenagers • The existence of the Recreation Ground encourages sport and a range of physical activities for all ages in line with the Government policy of the general population exercising regularly • Different areas are designated for different activities i.e. fenced play area for younger children, asphalted MUGA (multi games area) and junior goal post (on grass), the latter on the section known as the Tump • The fitness trail (appropriate for age 8 upwards) runs around the perimeter of the football pitch • It has in the past been the meeting point for the Youth Mobile bus • It is used by dog walkers and others regularly on an informal basis • It is used by High Littleton Football Club with First Team, Veterans Team, Youth Teams from Under-12s to Under-6s all using the pitch and facilities for training sessions and matches • It is used by children from the Village Primary School Academy several times a week during term time as the school has no sports field of its own

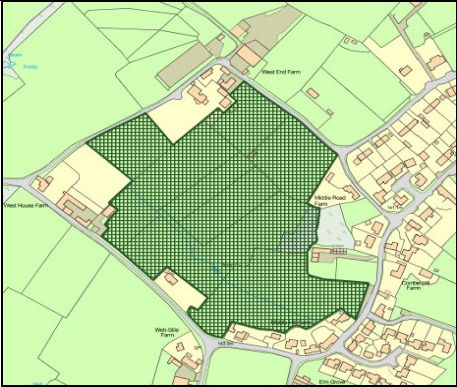
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is used by Bo-Peep Pre-School, Cubs, the Pigeon Club and other formal groups from time to time <p>Community Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Recreation Ground is used for the Annual Village Day, Cake Race Day, etc The Recreation Ground is the only managed open space within the parish boundary in that it is run by the Recreation Ground Trust, Trustees who are all volunteers who work to maintain and enhance this invaluable village asset The village school uses it as it does not have facilities of its own <p>Richness of Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are two trees in the play area (an oak and a horse chestnut), and a third at the entrance to the car park. This tree, an English Oak, commemorates those soldiers who fell during the First World War There is regular evidence of the presence of foxes and moles and sometimes badgers, around the Ground
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support –The Parish Council support the designation
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its recreational value to the local community

Parish:	High Littleton
Site name:	Greyfields Woods
Site number:	LGRND30
Landowner:	Private Landowner
Nominated By:	Rachel Tidcombe, Jane Neech, Mark Collins and Leonard Sheen
Map	
Description of green space:	Undulating green fields surrounded by hedgerows and trees
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes-the site is adjacent to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Summary of evidence:</p> <p>Community Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposed local green space is referenced in the current High Littleton and Hallatrow Design Statement • The statement was drawn up in consultation with local residents. The statement states that the green space should be retained • The proposed local green space is special to BoPeep Pre-school <p>Historic Significance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposed local green space is of huge historic importance, due to the connections with the Earl of Warwick, Daisy Greyville and Prince Edward I • The well-known Old Time Musical song: “Daisy Daisy” pays homage to Daisy Greyville, and highlights the national significance of the area • The land has national importance due its coal mining history • The line of the trees across the terrain is alleged to have been used to tie the pit ponies to, as they dragged the coal across the fields, which adds the significance of the fields to the Coal Mining Legacy • Consequently, the site played an important role in the historic development of the village <p>Recreational Value:</p>


	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The proposed local green space has significant value to a large number of the community for recreational activities. Over 100 people from the locality have submitted evidence to show how they and their families use the fields for recreational activities <p>Tranquillity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The proposed local green space has an intimate feel, being bordered by houses and Greyfield Wood. The area provides an oasis of calm for residents The open nature of the fields are a safe place for children to play, away from potential traffic dangers but near enough to the community for their protection <p>Richness of Wildlife:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> From 2005 to 2015 one resident has completed a long term study and recorded sightings of approximately 50 different species of bird. Some of these birds, such as the song thrush, redwing, marsh tit, linnet and redwing are on the UK red list for endangered species. Other species such as the house martin, green woodpecker, mistle thrush, bullfinch and dunnock are listed on the UK amber list
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	No-this is a 19 acre site which relates to the wider countryside rather than the village
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	<p>Objection-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not only do we consider the sought for designation inappropriate but the land does not comply with the criteria sets out in paragraph 77 of the NPPF There is extensive nearby woodland which serves some of the purpose set out in paragraph 77 but this land does not It is an extensive tract of land which has been in active agricultural use for many years The effect of the Inspectors detailed finding in the recent unsuccessful Town and Village Green application was to establish that the land is not “demonstrably special to any local community” and that it does not hold a particular significance”
Recommendation	While there is reference to evidence of local use of the green space and community value and wildlife value local green space designations need to be consistent with the criteria within the NPPF. Local Green spaces must be local in character and not extensive tracts of land. This site relates more to the open countryside than to High Littleton and is not local in character and is an extensive tract of land. Therefore this site has been exempted on this basis as inappropriate for designation in line with national guidance.

Parish:	Hinton Blewett
Site name:	Glebe Land
Site number:	LGR28
Landowner:	Diocese of Bath and Wells
Nominated By:	Hinton Blewett Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Small enclosed green space adjacent to the church
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Within the Housing Development Boundary • Conservation Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes-the site is inside the housing development boundary
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Historic Significance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This piece of land has belonged to the church at least since it was recorded on the Glebe Terrier of 1606, which shows all church land in Hinton Blewett at that time. It was then part of an enclosed field known as Furlong • It has long been considered by the community as an important future extension of the churchyard • This green space is in the Conservation Area and, bounded on the south side by Upper Road, is part of the setting for the medieval planned village • The Conservation Area Appraisal states that the character and significance of the built environment is enhanced by and dependent on agricultural landscape setting <p>Tranquillity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Glebe land adds to the tranquillity of the still open churchyard which is regularly visited by many residents who have family members buried there <p>Beauty:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The green space, traditionally meadow land, which is regularly grazed by sheep, actually brings the countryside into the centre of the village
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space


Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Objection- In the future this site could be used for development
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its historic significance value to the local community


Parish:	Hinton Blewett
Site name:	Land adjacent to Middle Farm
Site number:	LGRND31
Landowner:	Multiple Private Landowners
Nominated By:	Hinton Blewett Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Large undulating green space surrounded by hedgerows and sporadic loose knit housing
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • In the Mendip Hills AONB • Site is within the Chew Valley Neighbourhood Plan Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is adjacent to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	Historic Significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	No-large tract of land which is not local in character
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Objection- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The nominated area seems far too large to be a designated as a green space. The two areas relating to us, are our paddocks, linked directly to our home. Neither paddocks have rights of way, public footpaths across them, or even used as a cut through • We have lived here for 25 years and in that time, not one person from the local community have ever walked in, nor requested to go into our paddocks. They have always been used solely and privately by us to graze horses and occasionally sheep/cattle. Both paddocks are surrounded by hedges and cannot even be viewed from the village or even the roadside

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The local community would gain no benefit from our areas being included in the green space nominated. There are no views to be admired and the domestic horse grazing has prevented any flourishing wildlife or rare plants existing
Recommendation	Do not designate as a local green space designation- While there is reference to evidence of local use of the green space and recreational value and wildlife value local green space designations need to be consistent with the criteria within the NPPF. Local Green spaces must be local in character and not extensive tracts of land. This site is an extensive tract of land and therefore this site has been exempted on this basis as inappropriate for designation in line with national guidance

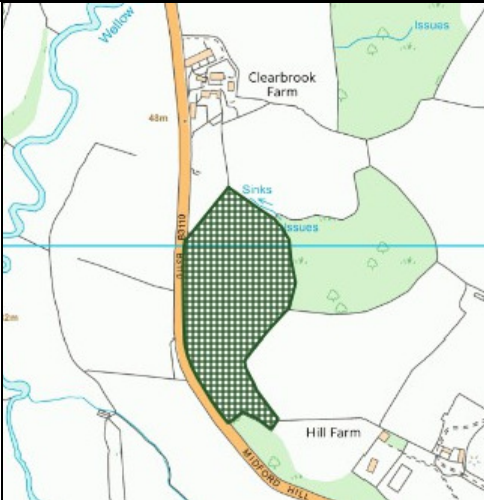
Parish:	Hinton Blewett
Site name:	Land South of Lower Road
Site number:	LGR26
Landowner:	Private landowner
Nominated By:	Hinton Blewett Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Gently sloping green space surrounded by ancient hedgerows with views across the Cam Valley
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • In the Mendip Hills AONB • Site is within the Chew Valley Neighbourhood Plan Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is adjacent to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Historic Significance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This green space consists of several adjacent fields in a linear pattern on the south side of Lower Road • The land in the view is bounded by the AONB and the site is adjacent to the Conservation Area • Looking inwards, the open space is the 'front of stage' or setting for the medieval planned village and the Conservation Area including the medieval church • This green space together with the surrounding farmland contributes to the open aspect surrounding the entire medieval planned village including Conservation Area • The Conservation Area Parish Appraisal states that the character and significance of the built environment is enhanced by and dependent on the sites agricultural landscape setting • The site helps to define the separation and the linear edge of the planned medieval village. The hedgerow to the north of the green space has been identified as a medieval banked boundary hedge (as recorded in B&NES Hedgerow Study 2006) <p>Landscape and Character Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Looking outwards from the village this open farm land is the gateway across to the panorama of the distant view and the Mendip Hills beyond with a few scattered farmsteads • There are no roads, power lines or even lighting to spoil the vista

	<p>Tranquillity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The area is very tranquil partly because it is undeveloped but also because of the open expanse of fields uncluttered except by nature and grazing animals • It reinforces the feeling of remoteness of the village from suburban/urban life; and in so doing it provides a sense of calmness. It is very easy and comfortable to just 'look' in quiet contemplation, free from the noise of vehicles and the buzz of town life
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space surrounded by hedgerows and a brook
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Objection-land is not demonstrably special and the parish council are applying a 'blanket designation' to stop potential development.
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its historic significance value to the local community


Parish:	Hinton Blewett
Site name:	Hinton Blewett playing field
Site number:	LGR27
Landowner:	Private landowner
Nominated By:	Hinton Blewett Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Yes – the space is adjacent to housing.
Existing Planning Designations:	Outside the Housing Development Boundary
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	The site is close to the village
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Playing Field land is in the AONB and has been included in the Hinton Blewett Character Assessment and had been a village aspiration for 40 years and was finally opened in 2013 • Since then two sets of swings, suitable for all age groups have been installed, together with a log climber, goal posts and seating bench • The location of the playing field is extremely peaceful and provides significant recreational value not only because of the play equipment provided but because of the space to run about and play games
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space surrounded by hedgerows and trees
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	None
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its recreational value to the local community

Parish:	Hinton Charterhouse
Site name:	Millennium Green
Site number:	LGRND34
Landowner:	Hinton Charterhouse Parish Council
Nominated By:	Hinton Charterhouse Parish Council
Map*	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site on the left in the map above
Description of green space:	Green space surrounded by walls and trees in the centre of the village. The site includes a children's play structure
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt • Cotswolds AONB • Outside Housing Development Boundary
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site is close to housing and community facilities
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Landscape and Character Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Boundary is defined and marked by walls and trees. It is in the centre of the Village • Mature trees and views outward to picturesque AONB and Green Belt landscape <p>Recreational Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are footpath entrances and one track to a car park area • All age groups are easily able to walk there • Dog walking daily • Childrens' dedicated and fenced play area maintained by the Council • Open spaces and park benches • Informal recreation <p>Historic Significance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adjacent to Conservation area • Given as a gift by landowner at the Millennium. Small monument and garden to Lady Ela of Salisbury who established the Priory
Local in character and	Yes – clearly defined space


not an extensive tract of land	
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	None
Recommendation	Do not designate as a local green space designation. Nominated by the Parish Council for its recreation and wildlife value to the local community however the site is within the Green Belt and no additional information has been submitted on why it needs the additional protection

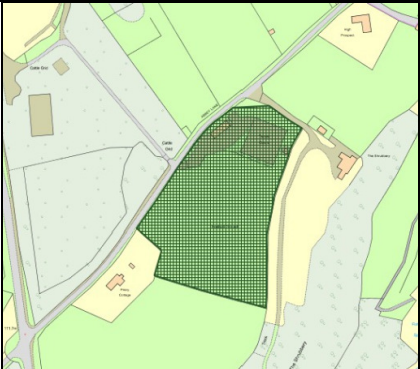
Parish:	Hinton Charterhouse
Site name:	Natural Burial Ground
Site number:	LGRND38
Landowner:	Private Landowner
Nominated By:	Hinton Charterhouse Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Site consists of a sloping field with trees planted on boundaries. New pond and restored orchards
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt • Cotswolds AONB • Outside HDB
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	No- the space is outside of the village and is not close to the community that it serves
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Tranquillity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The steep field has peaceful views to the west of the Wellow Brook and over the hamlet of Midford • It is within the AONB and Green Belt • The Landowner is happy to encourage walkers and quiet activities. • And the site is used by contemplative visitors • The site has a natural tranquillity <p>Richness of Wildlife:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New pond and restored orchards in car park area • Some undisturbed areas – there is little activity at the site and the intention is to encourage wildlife and plant life • New pond and restored orchards are part of the plan
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	No-landscape relates more to the open countryside and is not local in character
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	None
Recommendation	Do not designate as a local green space designation. Nominated by the Parish Council for its recreation and wildlife value to the local community however the site is within the Green Belt and no


	additional information has been submitted on why it needs the additional protection
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Parish:	Hinton Charterhouse
Site name:	Cricket Ground
Site number:	LGRND32
Landowner:	Private landowner
Nominated By:	Hinton Charterhouse Parish Council
Map*	 <p>* Site on the right on the map above</p>
Description of green space:	Cricket ground surrounded by mature trees
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt • Cotswolds AONB • Outside Housing Development Boundary
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes-The space is close to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Character and Landscape Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mature trees and views outward to picturesque AONB and Green Belt landscape <p>Historic Significance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Postcards show it has not changed much since the 1920s <p>Recreational Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A popular place in the local cricket leagues • Cricket matches during the season • Cricket practice nets • Pavilion Club house and seats • A Boules tournament is run each summer • The Mobile Library parks on the car parking area behind the Cricket Pavilion • Screened by mature trees from roads. Safe area for play and recreation <p>Richness of Wildlife:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undisturbed areas – Mature trees support large amount of wildlife as an island within farmed land

Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space
Exceptions	The cricket pavilion would be excluded
Landowner support/objection	Objection
Recommendation	Do not designate as a local green space designation. Local Green Spaces should only be designated when a plan is prepared or reviewed, and be capable of enduring beyond the end of the plan period. Sports grounds and pitches could be utilised in bringing forward additional sports buildings and/or pavilions in the future which would be contrary to Local Green Space Designation


Parish:	Hinton Charterhouse
Site name:	Hinton Charterhouse Horse Pond
Site number:	LGRND33
Landowner:	Private landowner
Nominated By:	Hinton Charterhouse Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Natural pond surrounded by mature trees.
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt • Cotswolds AONB, outside HDB
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes/No- The site is outside of the village however it is close to the village playing field.
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Historic Significance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Drover's Pond has a long history. Once of great importance as a water supply for the Village and for farm animals • A feature of the Village landscape for centuries. Features in local folklore and history. Historic drove route for the wool trade • Features in a painting of the Village from the 1880s <p>Richness of Wildlife:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mature trees and views outward to picturesque landscape to west and south • Colourful and varied pond plants in summer • Mature trees and a wide range of rare aquatic life
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	None
Recommendation	Do not designate as a local green space designation.

Parish:	Hinton Charterhouse
Site name:	Browns Field
Site number:	LGRND62
Landowner:	Private landowner
Nominated By:	Hinton Charterhouse Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Football pitch and tennis courts.
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt • Cotswolds AONB • Outside HDB and in the open countryside
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	No- The site is outside of the village.
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brown's Field is regularly used for Football games. It is also used for occasional events such as November 5th Fireworks parties etc • Only large and flat space available for residents of Freshford and Limpley Stoke • Has been used by the Community since the last war at least. • Football and Tennis are regular activities. Also used for children's games during holiday times
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Objection
Recommendation	Do not designate as a local green space designation. Green Spaces should only be designated when a plan is prepared or reviewed, and be capable of enduring beyond the end of the plan period. Sports grounds and pitches could be utilised in bringing forward additional sports buildings and/or pavilions in the future which would be contrary to Local Green Space Designation.

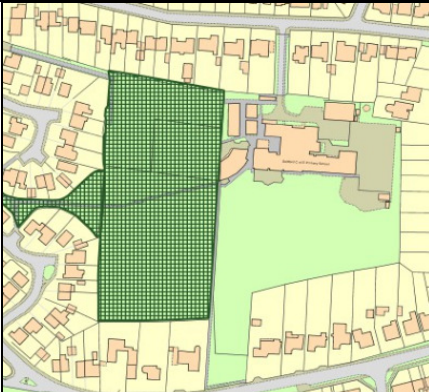
Parish:	Saltford
Site name:	War Memorial Garden
Site number:	LGR41
Landowner:	Bath and North East Somerset Council
Nominated By:	Saltford Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Small garden with raised flower beds and a war memorial in the middle
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Within the HDB
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is adjacent to housing.
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Community Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This small green open space is the village's memorial garden. In addition to its use as a memorial garden the space is also used by residents and visitors as a leisure area • This small green open space is the village's memorial garden • In addition to its use as a memorial garden the space is also used by residents and visitors as a leisure area • This used to be the centre of the village but with new roads this is now a quiet residential area. • The monument is well maintained <p>Historic Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The single plaque contains 17 names from World War 1 and 6 from World War 2
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes – clearly defined space.
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its community value to the local community


Parish:	Salford
Site name:	Broadway Green
Site number:	LGRND58
Landowner:	Social Housing Provider
Nominated By:	Salford Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Green space surrounded by housing
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Within the HDB
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is adjacent to housing.
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Amenity Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The grass space at the Broadway is very similar to Haselbury Grove, being a grassed island surrounded by a quadrangle made up from housing and the Salford Hall. • This space was provided as part of the concept design and of the housing development and civic amenity. • This green space provides the open setting and vista for Salford Hall
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes-well contained and local site
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	<p>Objection-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curo OPPOSES the designation of this site as LGS • Narrow strip of land in middle of housing quadrangle • The site has no recreational or play facilities and there are no signs that it is actively used by the community for recreation • The site forms part of the estate layout but this does not show it to be demonstrably special or mark it out from most green spaces which will not be suitable for designation as LGS
Recommendation	<p>Do not designate as a local green space designation.</p> <p>While there is reference to evidence of local use of the green space and community value. This is a structured green spaces which within a housing layout, which contributes to the street</p>

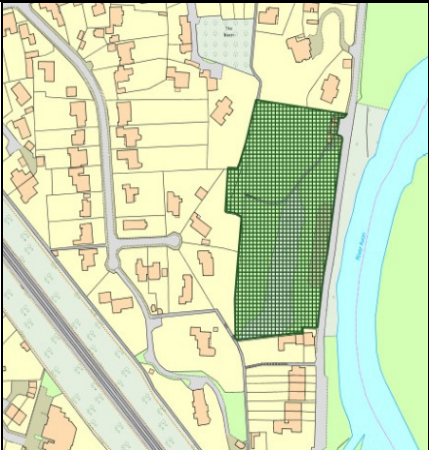
	scene however no additional justification has been submitted on why the local green space is demonstrably special
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Parish:	Salford
Site name:	Hasellbury Grove
Site number:	LGRND59
Landowner:	Social Housing Provider
Nominated By:	Salford Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Green space surrounded by housing
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Within the HDB
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is adjacent to housing.
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	Amenity Value: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The grass space at the Broadway is very similar to Hasellbury Grove, being a grassed island surrounded by a quadrangle made up from housing and the Salford Hall • This space was provided as part of the concept design and of the housing development and civic amenity • This green space provides the open setting and vista for Salford Hall
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes-well contained and local site
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Objection- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curo OPPOSES the designation of this site as LGS. • Narrow strip of land in middle of two rows of housing • The site has no recreational or play facilities and there are no signs that it is actively used by the community for recreation • Located in close proximity to established open space on Wedmore Road with play facilities, playing fields and a community centre • Again, this site is structural green space within a housing layout, which contributes to the street scene but is not demonstrably special in a way that distinguishes it from the numerous other green spaces in the vicinity
Recommendation	Do not designate as a local green space designation. While there is reference to evidence of local use of the green space and community value. This is a structured green spaces


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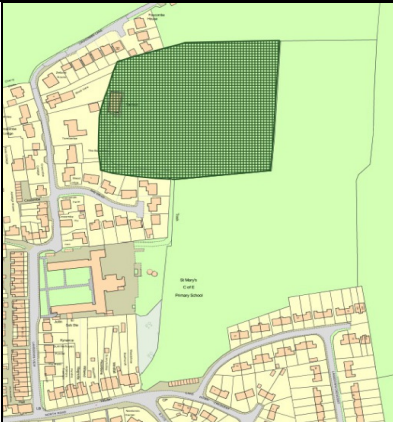
Parish:	Salford
Site name:	Land adjacent to Salford C of E Primary School
Site number:	LGR40
Landowner:	B&NES
Nominated By:	Salford Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Green space including children's play equipment and is adjacent to housing and to the Salford C of E primary school
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Within the HDB
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is adjacent to housing and to the Salford C of E Primary school.
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is the only public playing field for those residents living in the south of Salford • The field provides a valuable and well used public leisure and recreational area for all ages, from the football and cricket pitches to the young children's play area • The field also provides a safe delivery and collection area for parents and carers whose children attend Salford Primary School and Tiddlers day nursery • The fact that such large numbers of parents, carers and children meet here and spend time together builds our sense of community and its cohesion
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes-local in character and well contained
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support
Recommendation	Designate as a local green space designation

Parish:	Salford
Site name:	Land adjacent to Drakes Close
Site number:	LGR39
Landowner:	Private Landowner
Nominated By:	Salford Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Green space with a path which links the primary school to the adjacent housing
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Within the HDB
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes-adjacent to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Amenity Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a narrow ribbon of green space between housing and was an integral part of the design of this housing estate which was built in the 1970s • It also enhances the neighbourhood's cohesion, connectivity and unity • It is a valued green space for residents providing a safe pedestrian route to other roads in the area and very importantly to Salford Primary School • Increases recreation opportunities for adults and children and provides a gateway into the village centre. • Planting and birdsong give a feel of tranquillity
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Local in character and not an extensive tract of land
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	No comments received from the landowner
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its amenity value to the local community

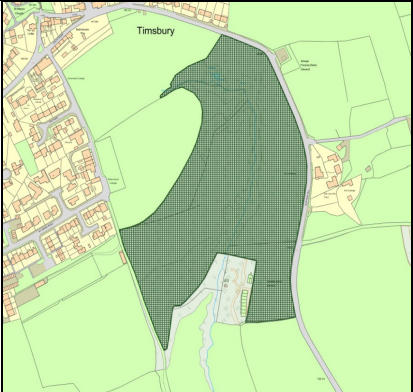
Parish:	Salford
Site name:	The Shallows Picnic Area
Site number:	LGRND60
Landowner:	B&NES
Nominated By:	Salford Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Green spaces with benches which is adjacent to the River Avon. There are long views into the countryside.
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt • Salford Conservation Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes – the space is close to housing and the centre of Salford village.
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a public green space. Its facilities and amenities provide a leisure and recreation area for the residents of Salford, Bathnes and visitors including tourists to the area • It is sited immediately opposite the River Avon and the panoramic views of open countryside, the Cotswolds Area of Natural Outstanding Beauty • As well as providing a beauty spot for residents and visitors it is also an important site for river users (canoe and kayak users and fishing enthusiasts)
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes/no- contained by the housing and river however the space feels more open due to the views into the open countryside
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Objection-site is in the Green Belt
Recommendation	Do not designate as a local green space designation. This proposed local green space lies within the Green Belt, while there is reference to evidence of local use of the green space and community value, no justification as to what added benefit local green space designation would bring is added

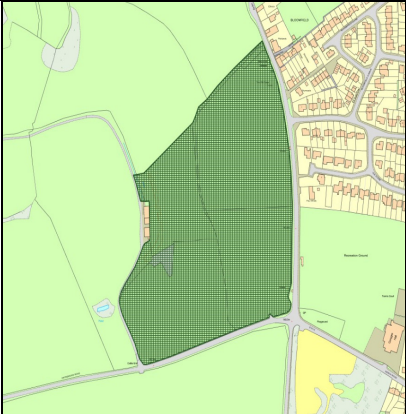
Parish:	Salford
Site name:	Wickhouse Close Allotments
Site number:	LGRND61
Landowner:	Social Housing Provider
Nominated By:	Salford Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Small allotment to the rear of houses
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Within HDB
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Close to housing and is within Salford village
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Amenity Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a small allotment site • It provides allotments for the use of Salford residents with 13 small plots
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes-local in character and well contained site
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	<p>Objection-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curo OPPOSES the designation of this site as LGS • The site as an allotment already benefits from policy protection • It is a small allotment and since not all allotments will be suitable for further protection as LGS it needs to be explained why it is said to be demonstrably special and of particular local significance • At present no such explanation has been provided It is worth noting that the site is within close proximity to a large recreational ground to the north
Recommendation	Do not designate- There is no clear case as to why the land is demonstrably special to the community in its current use


Parish:	Swainswick
Site name:	Larkhall Allotments
Site number:	LGRND36 & LGRND37
Landowner:	B&NES
Nominated By:	Dr V Williamson
Map	
Description of green space:	Well maintained allotments
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt • AONB • Allotment • SSSI Impact Zone
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Site is close to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I have an allotment on this site and it takes me 5 minutes to walk to it. • I know of many allotment holders in the neighbourhood who regularly walk to this site <p>Richness of Wildlife:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are toads and newts on this site
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Well contained site
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	No comments received from the landowner
Recommendation	Do not designate. This proposed local green space lies within the Green Belt, while there is reference to evidence of local use of the green space, wildlife value and community value, no justification as to what added benefit local green space designation would bring is added. In the absence of this this site is not recommended to be designated as a local green space designation


Parish:	Timsbury
Site name:	Timsbury Primary School Playing Field
Site number:	LGRND65
Landowner:	B&NES
Nominated By:	Timsbury Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	School playing field with a changing room building
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • Saved Local Plan Policy: SR.1A (Protection of playing fields and recreational open space) • Saved Local Plan Policy: BH.15/C (Visually important open spaces) • Site is within the Timsbury Neighbourhood Plan Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes-the site is close to housing and the core of the village
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PE is an essential component in encouraging positive attitudes to physical activity and a healthy lifestyle • Educating children to remain physically active throughout their lives is now a key feature of national and local health policies PE can also develop pupils' social skills and self-esteem, and contribute to the social life and ethos of the school. • The school playing field is also a valuable resource for community sport
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Well contained site and local in character
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Objection
Recommendation	Do not designate as a Local Green Space Designation. School and college playing fields and grounds would not normally be suitable for designation. This is because national guidance states that the space designated as 'local green space' must be capable of enduring beyond the plan period. In order to address future needs for school places there may, on some school sites, be a need to reconfigure the arrangement of school

	buildings and playing fields. The NPPF states that local planning authorities should give great weight to the need to create, expand or alter schools. Therefore, given this priority educational sites (grounds and playing fields) are not suitable for designation
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Parish:	Timsbury
Site name:	Land south of Timsbury
Site number:	LGRND66
Landowner:	Private landowner
Nominated By:	Timsbury Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Large green space which forms a part of the setting of Timsbury
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • Site is within the Timsbury Neighbourhood Plan Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes/No-the site is close to the southern edge of Timsbury village
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Landscape Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The woodlands & farmland between Timsbury & Priston in which to see farmed & wild animals, birds, crops and the richness of nature itself • The view, dog walking space and social meeting area on the 'south field' between South Road and Radford Hill is much valued
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	No-The site relates more to the open countryside than to Timsbury village
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Objection
Recommendation	Do not designate as a Local Green Space Designation. While there is reference to evidence of local use of the green space and recreational value and beauty value local green space designations need to be consistent with the criteria within the NPPF. Local Green spaces must be local in character and not extensive tracts of land. This site is an extensive tract of land and not local in character, therefore this site has been exempted on this basis as inappropriate for designation in line with national guidance


Parish:	Timsbury
Site name:	Land adjacent to Sleight Farm
Site number:	LGNRD64
Landowner:	Private Landowner
Nominated By:	Timsbury Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Undulating agricultural land
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • Site is within the Timsbury Neighbourhood Plan Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes/No-the site is close to the western edge of Timsbury village
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Landscape Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land west of Farmborough Road is designated as Greenbelt Land and should remain so • The view from the Sleight footpath which includes views of Bristol Suspension Bridge, Westbury White Horse, the Mendip Hills, Lansdown & the village itself
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	No-The site relates more to the open countryside than to Timsbury village
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Objection
Recommendation	Do not designate as a Local Green Space Designation. While there is reference to evidence of local use of the green space and recreational value and beauty value local green space designations need to be consistent with the criteria within the NPPF. Local Green spaces must be local in character and not extensive tracts of land. This site is an extensive tract of land and not local in character, therefore this site has been exempted on this basis as inappropriate for designation

Parish:	Timsbury
Site name:	Radford Canal
Site number:	LGRND67
Landowner:	Private Landowner
Nominated By:	Timsbury Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Linear green space following the route of the Somersetshire Coal Canal
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • Site is within the Timsbury Neighbourhood Plan Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	No-the space is outside of the village and is on the wider countryside surrounding the village
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Wildlife Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Major highly diverse wildlife corridor linking with other corridors
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	No-it is a large linear tract of land which is not local in character
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	No comments received from the landowner
Recommendation	Do not designate as a Local Green Space Designation. While there is reference to evidence of local use of the green space and recreational value and beauty value local green space designations need to be consistent with the criteria within the NPPF. Local Green spaces must be local in character and not extensive tracts of land. This site is an extensive tract of land and not local in character, therefore this site has been exempted on this basis as inappropriate for designation


Parish:	Timsbury
Site name:	Timsbury Recreational Ground
Site number:	LGR47
Landowner:	Social Housing Provider
Nominated By:	Timsbury Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Recreation ground adjacent to the Timsbury village hall
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the Housing Development Boundary • Saved Local Plan Policy: SR.1A (Protection of playing fields and recreational open space) • Site is within the Timsbury Neighbourhood Plan Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes-adjacent to the village hall and close to existing housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site includes full and junior grass football pitches and a cricket ground • Used regularly by children of the village and dog walkers • Views across to the Sleight • Local junior teams use the recreational ground football pitches for their matches <p>Wildlife value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The green space provides hedges for wildlife & birds • Six locally grown apple trees '<i>Beauty of Bath</i>' were planted in the recreational field, and this is Timsbury's first community orchard. At the same time bird and bat boxes were installed in the trees surrounding the grounds <p>Historic Significance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The first documented evidence of the Timsbury Cricket Club was June 30th 1894 when the team defeated neighbours Clutton by 45 runs and this was held on the Timsbury recreational ground • The field was purchased in the 1920s as a result of legislation introduced to finance welfare and recreation schemes for miners from the levy of a penny (old money) on every ton of coal brought to the surface. The decline of mining in this area led in 1969 to the transfer of the field to "the inhabitants of Timsbury" with the Parish Council acting as a Management


	Committee
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes-local in character and well contained
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its recreational, richness of wildlife and Historic significance value to the local community

Parish:	Timsbury
Site name:	Wheeler's Block Batch
Site number:	LGR46
Landowner:	Private Landowner
Nominated By:	Timsbury Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Wooded coal slag heap batches of old Upper and Lower Conyge
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the Housing Development Boundary • Site is within the Timsbury Neighbourhood Plan Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes- close to existing housing and close to the village hall.
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Historic Significance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The batch is a reminder of the village's former Somersetshire coal mining industry <p>Richness of Wildlife Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The batch is covered in ash (fraximus excelsior), willow, sycamore and silver birch • There are several hazel bushes in the batch • There are high levels of Black Birds, Blue Tits, Chiffchaffs, Great Tits, Green Finches, Robins and Wrens on the site • There is an active badger set in the batch • The sparse grassland around the batch is potentially suitable for reptiles-especially slow worms • The batch is valuable for breeding birds
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes-well contained batch and local in character
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	No comments received from the landowner
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its historic significance and richness of wildlife value to the local community

Parish:	Timsbury
Site name:	Timsbury Allotment
Site number:	LGR42
Landowner:	Timsbury Parish Council
Nominated By:	Timsbury Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Well maintained allotments
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • Site is within the Timsbury Neighbourhood Plan Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Allotments are close to housing in the northern edge of the village
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This site of 66 plots is well-cultivated and very popular with parishioners • The allotments were overgrown and underutilised until the community took over and turned the allotments into award winning allotments • Allotment gardening is a recreation which provides exercise, fresh food and a sense of wellbeing • The Timsbury allotments can improve people's quality of life, increase physical exercise and, support mental health <p>Wildlife Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allotment sites are rich in insect, invertebrate and bird life. Deer, badgers and foxes are not uncommon on the site • Apart from attracting insects such as hoverflies, bees and lacewings, hedges and brambles are a favourite nesting site for birds like robins, wrens, song thrushes and blackbirds. • Many of the invertebrate species that live in compost heaps actively contribute to the compost process while others, such as ground beetles and centipedes, will use it as a temporary refuge
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes-well contained allotments
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support

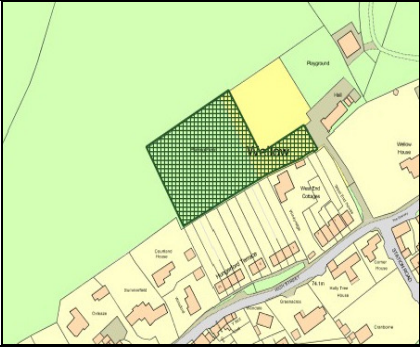
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its recreational value to the local community
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Parish:	Timsbury
Site name:	Land east of Southlands Drive
Site number:	LGR44
Landowner:	B&NES
Nominated By:	Timsbury Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Small woodland adjacent to housing
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Within the Housing Development Boundary • Site is within the Timsbury Neighbourhood Plan Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The site is used by children, as a picnic area and for seasonal leisure activities <p>Wildlife Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The site has many bird species including owls, Black Birds, Blue Tits, Chiffchaffs, Great Tits, Green Finches, Robins and Wrens • Woodland provides a place for breeding birds
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes- Local in character and well contained
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its richness of wildlife value to the local community

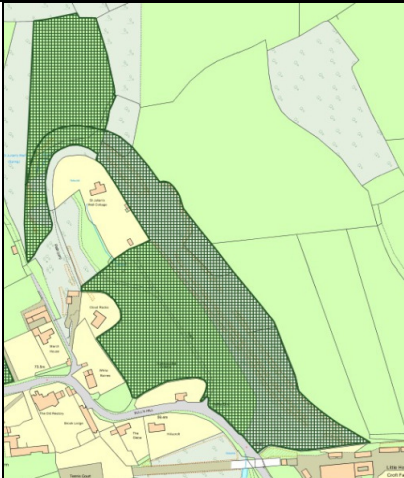
Parish:	Ubley
Site name:	The Glebe Field
Site number:	LGR48
Landowner:	The Diocese of Wells and Bath
Nominated By:	Ubley Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Contained green space which is immediately behind the parish church. The site is surrounded by well-maintained hedges. There are extensive views out towards the open countryside
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Housing Development Boundary • Mendips AONB • Site is within the Chew Valley Neighbourhood Plan Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes- the space is adjacent to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Historic Significance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Glebe Field is immediately behind the Church and borders the village on three sides <p>Recreational Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is a special field in both the views from it and the views into the village that it allows • It is currently used by both the school and by villagers informally • Ubley primary school hold their sports days on the Glebe Land • The grass in the centre area of the field is cut short to allow the playing of games and activities • Ubley juniors football team hold their matches in the field • The Glebe field is used for inter-village rounders matches, barbecues and "Dads v Lads" football kick-about <p>Richness of Wildlife</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The grass around this is left to grow long and cut in line with farming practice to encourage wildlife and wild flowers <p>Character Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is local in character and feels like an extension of the churchyard • It is a well contained piece of land

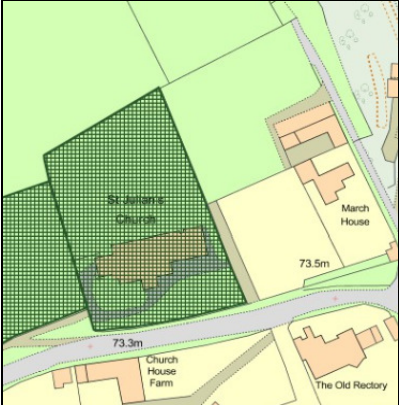
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes-local in character and an enclosed space
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	No comments received from the landowner
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its recreational value to the local community

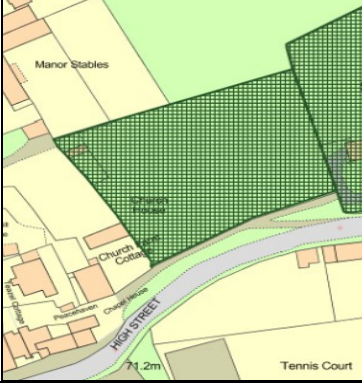
Parish:	Wellow
Site name:	Wellow Car Park
Site number:	LGSND64
Landowner:	B&NES
Nominated By:	Wellow Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Green space used as a car park
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the HOUSING DEVELOPMENT BOUNDARY • Green Belt • Wellow Conservation Area • Cotswolds AONB
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes – the space is adjacent to housing
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The space is one of the only 'green' car parks in the B&NES area <p>Recreational Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is regularly used by the community bus, hikers and children • The community composting scheme sits at its western edge • The space is one of the few level sites in Wellow where young children can ride their bicycles <p>Tranquillity Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This space is particularly tranquil and is often used by less ambulant elderly visitors as a peaceful place to sit in their cars.
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes-local in character
Exceptions	The site boundary would need to be amended to follow hedgerows or other natural/man made features on the ground
Landowner support/objection	Objection
Recommendation	Do not designate as a Local Green Space Designation. This proposed local green space lies within the Green Belt, while there is reference to evidence of local use of the green space and community value, no justification as to what added benefit local green space designation would bring.

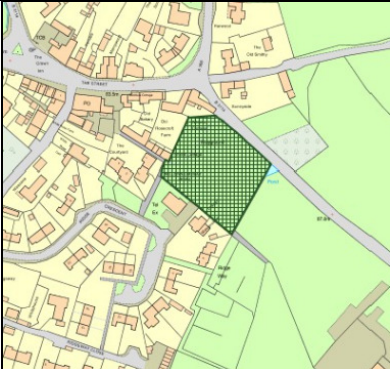
Parish:	Wellow
Site name:	Wellow Playing Field
Site number:	LGSND67
Landowner:	Wellow Parish Council
Nominated By:	Wellow Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Reactional playing field with sports facilities and pitches.
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the HOUSING DEVELOPMENT BOUNDARY • Green Belt • Cotswolds AONB • Wellow conservation area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes – the space is adjacent to housing and close to the community that it serves
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The space sits alongside the village hall in the heart of the village and includes a playground • The space was given to the village to be used for sport and recreation • The Wellow Conservation Area Appraisal states: 'The Recreation Ground is a valuable facility and pleasant open space • It is noted as a high value space in the draft Green Space Strategy' • The space belongs to the local community via Wellow Parish Council and is the only sport and recreational facility in the village. It is currently being upgraded into a multi-sport facility funded by grants and local donations.
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes-local in character and well contained site
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	No comments were received from the land owner
Recommendation	Do not designate as a Local Green Space Designation. This proposed local green space lies within the Green Belt, while there is reference to evidence of local use of the green space and community value, no justification as to what added benefit local green space designation would bring.

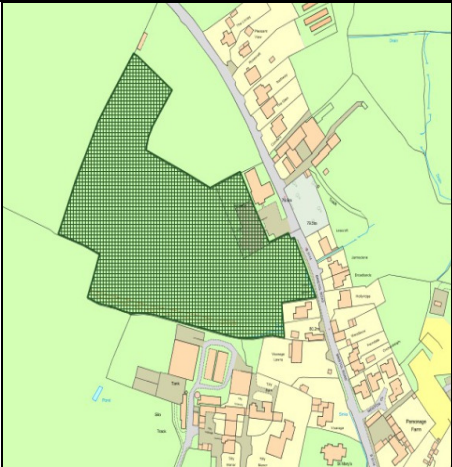
Parish:	Wellow
Site name:	Henley View Garden
Site number:	LGRND68
Landowner:	Social Housing Provider and Private landowners
Nominated By:	Wellow Parish Council
Map	 <p>*The hatched site to the southern edge is the green car park nomination</p>
Description of green space:	Small garden and allotments
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the HOUSING DEVELOPMENT BOUNDARY • Green Belt • Cotswolds AONB • Wellow conservation area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	N/A
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nomination withdrawn by the Parish Council
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	N/A
Exceptions	N/A
Landowner support/objection	N/A
Recommendation	Nomination withdrawn by the Parish Council

Parish:	Wellow
Site name:	Wells Cottage Surrounds and extension
Site number:	LGRND69 & LGRND70
Landowner:	Private landowners
Nominated By:	Wellow Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Former quarry and line of the Somerset Coal Canal covered in trees
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the HOUSING DEVELOPMENT BOUNDARY • Green Belt • Cotswolds AONB • Wellow conservation area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	N/A
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nomination withdrawn by the Parish Council
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	N/A
Exceptions	N/A
Landowner support/objection	N/A
Recommendation	Nomination withdrawn by the Parish Council


Parish:	Wellow
Site name:	St Julian's Church Yard
Site number:	LGRND68
Landowner:	Private Landowner
Nominated By:	Wellow Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Church yard enclosing St Julian's Church
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the HOUSING DEVELOPMENT BOUNDARY • Green Belt • Cotswolds AONB • Wellow conservation area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	N/A
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nomination withdrawn by the Parish Council
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	N/A
Exceptions	N/A
Landowner support/objection	N/A
Recommendation	Nomination withdrawn by the Parish Council


Parish:	Wellow
Site name:	Church House enclosure Conygre-land adjacent to the High Street
Site number:	LGRND66
Landowner:	Private Landowner
Nominated By:	Wellow Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Small green space surrounded by a stone wall.
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the HOUSING DEVELOPMENT BOUNDARY • Green Belt • Cotswolds AONB • Wellow conservation area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	N/A
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nomination withdrawn by the Parish Council
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	N/A
Exceptions	N/A
Landowner support/objection	N/A
Recommendation	Nomination withdrawn by the Parish Council


Parish:	West Harptree
Site name:	West Harptree Recreational Ground
Site number:	LGR49
Landowner:	West Harptree Parish Council
Nominated By:	West Harptree Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Recreational ground with children's play equipment with long views into the surrounding countryside
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the HOUSING DEVELOPMENT BOUNDARY • Mendip Hills AONB • West Harptree Conservation Area • Site is within the Chew Valley Neighbourhood Plan Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes-the site is close to housing and the centre of the village
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The space is an historic area of grassed land adjacent to the village centre which has been used for sporting and social functions for over 50 years • The space was gifted to the village over 50 years ago as a recreational facility for Parishioners to use in perpetuity • The space has been furnished with play equipment by the Parish over the years, which is now maintained by the Parish Council, and has also hosted sporting events, fun days and bonfires. • It is the only site within the Parish that offers a safe area for recreational activities <p>Landscape Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The site is bordered by ancient hedgerow and a high local stone wall, shielding it from road noise
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes-local in character and well contained by hedgerows and a stone wall
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its recreational value to the local community


Parish:	West Harptree
Site name:	Jarman's Field
Site number:	LGRND71
Landowner:	Private Landowner
Nominated By:	West Harptree Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Large green space adjacent to the doctors surgery
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the HOUSING DEVELOPMENT BOUNDARY • Mendip Hills AONB • Site is within the Chew Valley Neighbourhood Plan Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes-the site is close to housing and the centre of the village
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Historic Significance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The space is an historic area of grazing land with an open frontage close to the village centre, and is now the only remaining green area adjacent to the village boundary that can be safely approached and viewed on foot <p>Landscape Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The space is within the Mendip AONB and village Conservation Area and has a wide, open backdrop of the Mendip Hills. A stream runs along 2 of its boundaries. • It is regularly grazed by local livestock <p>Tranquillity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The site is adjacent to the Doctors and Dentists Surgeries lending a tranquil air to the often stressful need to visit these practices <p>Richness of Wildlife</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is bordered by ancient hedgerow and a local stone wall • Numerous species of birds and mammals are evident, and there is a large thriving badger set along one remote boundary

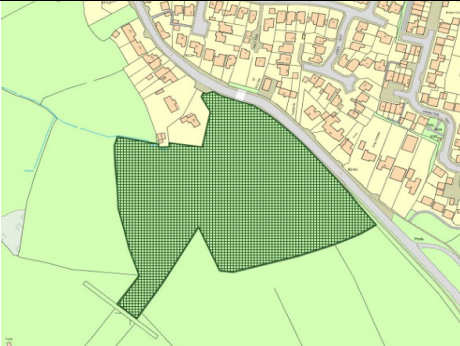
	<p>Other Values</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The space is a major natural flood relief mechanism for the village and greatly helps channel flood water away from the village
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	No-The space is an extensive tract of land which relates more to the wider countryside than to the village of West Harptree
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Objection- This is a large tract of land. This is agricultural land and may be suitable for development in the future
Recommendation	Do not designate as a Local green Space Designation. While there is reference to evidence of local use of the green space and recreational value and beauty value local green space designations need to be consistent with the criteria within the NPPF. Local Green spaces must be local in character and not extensive tracts of land. This site is an extensive tract of land and not local in character, therefore this site has been exempted on this basis as inappropriate for designation in line with national guidance.

Parish:	Whitchurch
Site name:	Millennium Green Garden
Site number:	LGR50
Landowner:	Whitchurch Parish Council
Nominated By:	Whitchurch Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Small community garden with trees and flower beds
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Within the Housing Development Boundary • Site is within the Whitchurch Neighbourhood Plan Area
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes-the site is close to housing and the centre of the village
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Community Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Millennium Garden is the focal point in the centre of the village and should be protected as it is a valuable face of the village. A beautiful eye catching attraction to all those living and visiting the village, it is planted with flowers and shrubs to enhance the space. It is frequently commented on for its beauty by people in the community • It is also the space where the annual 'Christmas Light' switch on event is held when the local community comes together to celebrate this occasion • In the centre of this space there is a Swedish Whitebeam tree, which was planted by the local WI group to celebrate the Queens Jubilee in 1977
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Yes-well contained site
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	No
Recommendation	Designate as a Local Green Space Designation for its community value to the local community

Parish:	Whitchurch
Site name:	Whitchurch community garden and allotments
Site number:	LGRND72
Landowner:	Whitchurch Parish Council
Nominated By:	Whitchurch Parish Council
Map*	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site is the southern triangular site
Description of green space:	Small community Garden
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes/no the site is within walking distance of the village centre
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Whitchurch Village Community Gardens/Allotments can improve people's quality of life, increase physical exercise and support mental health • Working an allotment offers healthy physical recreation for people of all ages and can also be very therapeutic <p>Richness of Wildlife</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working an allotment provides healthy food and creates a habitat for birds, butterflies and other wildlife. The site also has its own pond which attracts wildlife. It is therefore important for biodiversity
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Local in character and a well contained site
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support from Whitchurch Parish Council
Recommendation	Do not designate as a local green space designation. Nominated by the Parish Council for its value to the local community however the site is within the Green Belt and no additional information has been submitted on why it needs the additional protection

Parish:	Whitchurch
Site name:	Whitchurch Play Area
Site number:	LGRND74
Landowner:	Whitchurch Parish Council
Nominated By:	Whitchurch Parish Council
Map*	 <p>*Site to the north of the triangular site</p>
Description of green space:	Children's play area with formal play structures, surrounded by trees and hedgerows
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes/no the site is within walking distance of the village centre
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Play Park is a recreation facility which provides fresh air and exercise • Play equipment is provided together with picnic tables • The space can also be used for informal recreation to play games such as football, cricket • This makes it a special place for recreation within walking distance of the village
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Local in character and a well contained site
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Support from Whitchurch Parish Council
Recommendation	Do not designate as a local green space designation. Nominated by the Parish Council for its value to the local community however the site is within the Green Belt and no additional information has been submitted on why it needs the additional protection

Parish:	Whitchurch
Site name:	Whitchurch Cricket Club
Site number:	LGRND73
Landowner:	Private Landowner
Nominated By:	Whitchurch Parish Council
Map*	 <p>*site is the rectangular site</p>
Description of green space:	Cricket ground in the Green Belt
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt • Saved Local Plan Policy: SR.1A (Protection of playing fields and recreational open space)
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes/no the site is within walking distance of the village centre
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Recreational Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The space is the home of Whitchurch Cricket Club • It is an important outdoor recreation facility providing opportunities for fifty adults and vital training, with qualified coaches, and playing facilities for up to 100 boys and girls between the ages of 7-17 years old from Whitchurch Village and the surrounding area • The club was formed in 1923 and has played on this particular site since 1978
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	Local in character and a well contained site
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	No comments received from the landowner
Recommendation	This proposed local green space lies within the Green Belt, while there is reference to evidence of local use of the green space and community value, no justification as to what added benefit local green space designation would bring is added. In the absence of this this site is not recommended to be designated as a local green space designation

Parish:	Whitchurch
Site name:	Fete Field
Site number:	LGSND75
Landowner:	Private Landowners
Nominated By:	Whitchurch Parish Council
Map	
Description of green space:	Large agricultural field on the edge of Whitchurch village
Existing Planning Designations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Belt • Saved Local Plan Policy: SR.1A (Protection of playing fields and recreational open space)
In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes/no the site is within walking distance of the village centre
Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of wildlife	<p>Community Value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This space is the venue for the annual Whitchurch Village Fete which attracts approximately 3000 visitors from the village and surrounding area and has been in existing since 1977 • Many members of the local community volunteer to help with this event each year • In 2013 over £6,000 was donated to various local charities from the proceeds of the fete • This fantastic social event is well known, not only in the local community but also around the district and would be sadly missed if this space was not protected
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land	No-The space is an extensive tract of land which relates more to the wider countryside than to Whitchurch Village
Exceptions	None
Landowner support/objection	Objection- This is a large tract of land. This is agricultural land and may be suitable for development in the future
Recommendation	Do not designate as a Local green Space Designation. While there is reference to evidence of local use of the green space and recreational value and beauty value local green space designations need to be consistent with the criteria within the NPPF. Local Green spaces must be local in character and not extensive tracts of land. This site is an extensive tract of land and not local in character, therefore this site has been exempted on this basis as inappropriate for designation in line with national guidance.

Appendix 1: Local Green Space Designation Guidance Note

The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) offers the opportunity for local communities to identify green areas of particular importance to them for special protection. Once designated these open spaces will not be developed except in very special circumstances. Any type of green space could be suitable for designation and may also include land where sports pavilions, boating lakes or structures such as war memorials are located, allotments, or urban spaces that provide a tranquil oasis.

Local Green Space:

- should only be designated when a Local or Neighbourhood Plan is prepared or reviewed;
- should be consistent with the local planning of sustainable development and complement investment in sufficient homes, jobs and other essential services; and
- must be capable of enduring beyond the end of the Plan period

National policy also states that designation will not be appropriate for most green areas or open space. The designation should only be used:

- where the green space is in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves;
- where the green area is demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular local significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquility or richness of its wildlife; and
- where the green area concerned is local in character and is not an extensive tract of land

The proposed designation of spaces must be based on evidence to demonstrate why the green area is demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular local significance. Blanket designation of all/most green areas or open space within an area is not appropriate.

The following guidance reflects the local interpretation of national guidance and national planning policy.

Educational sites

School and college playing fields and grounds would not normally be suitable for designation. This is because national guidance states that the space designated as 'local green space' must be capable of enduring beyond the plan period. In order to address future needs for school places there may, on some school sites, be a need to reconfigure the arrangement of school buildings and playing fields. The NPPF states that local planning authorities should give great weight to the need to create, expand or alter schools. Therefore, given this priority educational sites (grounds and playing fields) would not normally be suitable for designation.

Highway land/roadside verges

Highway land/roadside verges would not normally be suitable for designation. This is because national guidance states that the local green space must be capable of enduring beyond the plan period. Land adjoining an existing highway is the subject of 'Permitted Development' rights, which could be used to bring forward development that may be contrary to a Local Green Space designation, but would not require planning permission to be granted. Highway land may also be utilised in bringing forward future highway/transport

schemes. Therefore, highway land/roadside verges would not normally be suitable for designation.

The B&NES 5 step process to designating Local Green Space

Step 1: All submissions to be received by 5pm on 27th February 2015

Submissions sought from the Parish/Town Councils and from residents associations in Bath.

Step 2: (March 2015)

All results are logged and mapped onto an excel spreadsheet by B&NES and all relevant data contained within the submitted pro-forma is added. A desktop evaluation is undertaken to evaluate the sites to ensure that they met the NPPF criteria.

Step 3: (April 2015)

Information on the officer's evaluation is sent out to the relevant parties. If necessary, additional information and/or evidence can be requested with appropriate deadlines.

Step 4: (June 2015)

Landowners are contacted at this stage which is in accordance with Planning Guidance (para 19, Ref: 37-019-20140306). This will provide landowners with the opportunity to make comments prior to inclusion in the Draft Placemaking Plan.

Step 5: (Autumn 2015)

Recommendations are put into the Draft Placemaking Plan for consultation, everyone in the district will be given the opportunity to make comments.

Local Green Space Designation Pro-Forma

Green Space reference:	
Parish/Ward:	
Address of site:	
Landowner if known:	
Is the owner of the site aware of the potential designation? Do they support the designation? (Sites may be designated as Local Green Spaces, even if there are objections from the site owners)	
Planning history of the site (if known)	
Map of the site:	<i>Please add a map with a red line boundary</i>

Every proposed space must meet the criteria 1-4 and at least one sub section of no.5 in table 1.

Table 1:

Criteria		Explanation of criteria / evidence prompts
1.	It will rarely be appropriate to designate spaces that are the subject of a planning permission for development.	<p>Is the space the subject of a planning permission for development?</p> <p><i>Prompts:</i></p> <p><i>“Local Green Space designation will rarely be appropriate where the land has planning permission for development. Exceptions could be where the development would be compatible with the planning permission or where planning permission is no longer capable of being implemented.”</i></p>
2.	It will not be appropriate to designate spaces that are allocated or proposed for development in the Local or Neighbourhood Plan, unless it can be shown that the Local Green Space could be incorporated within the site as part of the allocated development	<p>Is the space allocated or proposed to be allocated in a Local or Neighbourhood Plan?</p> <p><i>Prompts:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The designation of Local Green Spaces should be consistent with the local planning of sustainable development and complement investment in sufficient homes, jobs and other essential services.</i> • <i>The National Planning Policy Guidance states that:</i> <p><i>“Designating any Local Green Space will need to be consistent with local planning for sustainable development in the area. In particular, plans must identify sufficient land in suitable locations to meet identified development needs and the Local Green Space designation should not be used in a way that undermines this aim of plan making. The space should be capable of enduring beyond the plan period.”</i></p>
3.	The space must not be an extensive tract of land and must be local in character	<p>Designated spaces would normally be contained with clearly defined edges.</p> <p><i>Prompts</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Why does the space or combination of adjoining spaces “feel” local in character and scale, in respect of the local community that the space serves?</i> • <i>Is the proposed space larger than other areas of land in the vicinity? Is it contained with clearly defined edges?</i> • <i>How does the space connect physically, visually and socially to the local area?</i> • <i>Blanket designation of open countryside adjacent to settlements is not appropriate.</i>

4.	The space must be within close proximity to the community it serves	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The space would normally be within easy walking distance of the community it serves.</i> • <i>How close is the space to the community it serves (articulate as distance not time) ?</i>
5.	The space must be demonstrably special to the local community (see example criteria below)	Blanket designation of all/most green areas or open space within an area is not appropriate. The space must be demonstrably special.
5a	The proposed space is of particular local significance because of its beauty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>This relates to the visual attractiveness of the space, and its contribution to townscape, landscape, character and/or setting of the settlement, which would normally be expected to be significant.</i> • <i>How is the proposed space of particular local significance, in respect of its beauty?</i> • <i>Is the space covered by other landscape or townscape designations? (e.g. Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty or Conservation Area)</i> • <i>Does the space have a literature or art connection?</i>
5b	The proposed space is of particular local significance because of its historic significance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>How is the proposed space of particular local significance, in respect of its historic significance?</i> • <i>Does the proposed space or elements of the space have local historical significance?</i> • <i>Are there any historic buildings or structures in the space? (e.g. listed building or scheduled monuments)</i> • <i>Are there any important historic landscape features on the space? (e.g. veteran trees or old hedgerows)</i> • <i>Does the space have a historic literature or art connection?</i>
5c	The proposed space is of particular local significance because of its recreational value	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>How is the proposed space of particular local significance, in respect of its recreational value?</i> • <i>What variety of recreational activities does the space support? (e.g. the space is used for playing sport and/or informal recreation)</i> • <i>National guidance states that there is no need to designate linear corridors as Local Green Space simply to protect rights of way, which are already protected under other legislation</i>
5d	The proposed space is of particular local significance because of its tranquillity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Green spaces may also provide value to the local community in terms of providing 'an oasis of calm', perhaps in a busy town, or a space for quiet reflection. Why is the space considered to be tranquil?</i> • <i>How is the proposed space of particular local significance, in respect of its tranquillity?</i>
5e	The proposed space is of particular local significance because of its richness of wildlife	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>How is the proposed space of particular local significance, in respect of its richness of wildlife and is evidence available to demonstrate this?</i> • <i>Is the proposed space formally designated for its wildlife value? (e.g. is it a SSSI, SNCI or Local Nature Reserve).</i>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Are any important habitats or species found in the space?</i> • <i>Does the proposed space support species of fauna or flora protected under the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 (as amended), Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 or Habitat Regulations 2010, species and habitats listed on the Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP); or species and habitats listed by the Government as being of Principle Importance for Biological Diversity in Britain under Section 41 of the Natural Environment & Rural Communities Act 2006 (Priority Species and Habitats)</i> • <i>Does the proposed space support species of birds listed on the Red, Amber or Green Lists of Species of Conservation Concern or notable assemblage of invertebrate?</i> • <i>Does the proposed space support irreplaceable habitats such as ancient semi-natural woodland and veteran trees?</i> • <i>Does the proposed space function as part of a wildlife corridor or green infrastructure enabling the dispersal and favourable status of species of flora and fauna?</i>
5f	<p>Are there any other reasons why the proposed space has a particular local significance for the local community?</p>	

Alternatives to Local Green Space Designations

If during the process it becomes evident that the site is not appropriate for local green space designation, there are other options that can be investigated.

Agreements with land-owners

It may be possible for local communities to reach either formal or informal agreements with the owner of the site to ensure access to the site for local people. This may be an appropriate option where the site owner has a long-term connection with the local area, for example the owner of a large historic estate. It may be possible for the land-owner to dedicate the site as "open access land".

<https://www.gov.uk/right-of-way-open-access-land/use-your-right-to-roam>

Community Purchase

In some instances local communities have purchased important sites to ensure that they remain in community control in perpetuity. The ownership can lie with the Town or Parish Council or with a specific trust.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/get-involved/take-part/take-over-a-local-pub-shop-or-green-space-for-the-community>

Assets of Community Value

The Community Right to Bid gives community groups a fairer chance to prepare and bid to buy community buildings and facilities that are important to them. This could include village shops, pubs or allotments. The right covers private as well as public assets. It is important to nominate land and buildings to be part of the register of „assets of community value“, which is held by the Local Authority (Cotswold District Council). If something on this register is offered for sale, the community then have up to six months to prepare a bid.

<http://mycommunityrights.org.uk/community-asset-transfer/>