## **Honeybourne Parish Neighbourhood Plan – Evidence Base**

## **GREEN SPACE BACKGROUND PAPER**

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**Produced by BPA and Honeybourne Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group** 



#### 1.0 Introduction

- 1.1. This paper pulls together all the evidence associated with assessing the quality and the importance of areas of Green Space in the Parish of Honeybourne. The purpose of these assessments is to identify those areas that hold a particular importance to the community, which if designated as Local Green Space (LGS) in the Honeybourne Neighbourhood Plan would be protected from inappropriate development.
- 1.2. LGS was introduced by the Government in 2012, and enables communities to protect green areas which are particularly significant to them. It does not mean that all areas of green space can be protected from development and Planning Practice Guidance is clear that any designation should be consistent with the strategic aims of the local plan which in this case is the South Worcestershire Development Plan (SWDP). This tool cannot be used as a means of preventing the wider development needs of the district.
- 1.3. Green space, also described as green infrastructure in planning terms, is really important and contributes to the quality and distinctiveness of the local environment. It creates opportunities for walking and physical activity, generally adding to quality of life. It can be diverse in character and can include formal parks and gardens, informal grassed areas, linear paths, sports pitches and various other kinds of landscaped area.
- 1.4. In considering the quality and significance of green infrastructure in Honeybourne the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group has, under the guidance of Brodie Planning Associates, created a Green Space Audit (see appendix 1). This exercise was followed by a more detailed assessment of each site using a consistent and transparent methodology to evaluate its potential for allocating it as LGS (chapter 4 and appendix 2). All this information and the process the group have followed is published within this document and has informed the production of the Neighbourhood Plan and the rationale for the sites chosen to allocate as LGS.

## 2.0 Policy Background

## **National Planning Policy**

- 2.1 National planning policy and guidance is set out in the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG) respectively.
- 2.2 The NPPF (2018) at paragraph 99 allows local communities, through local and neighbourhood plans, to identify areas of Local Green Space which are important to them and which should be provided special protection. It makes it clear that:
- identifying land as Local Green Space should be consistent with the local planning of sustainable development and complement investment in sufficient homes, jobs and other essential services; and
- Local Green Space should only be designated when a plan is prepared or reviewed, and be capable of enduring beyond the end of the plan period.
- 2.3 Paragraph 100 of the NPPF (2018) sets out the criteria that green space must meet in order to be designated as 'Local Green Space', it makes it clear that it will not be appropriate to designate 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), tranquillity or richness of its wildlife;
  and
- where the green area concerned is local in character and is not an extensive tract of land."
- 2.4 Paragraph 100 of the NPPF (2018) states that "Local policy for managing development within a Local Green Space should be consistent with policy for Green Belts."
- 2.5 Additional guidance on Local Green Space designation is provided in Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) ID: 37 Paragraphs 005-022. Of particular relevance to the Honeybourne Parish Neighbourhood Plan are the following paragraphs.
- "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." [Reference ID: 37-007-20140306].

- "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 reasons for designation or where planning permission
  is no longer capable of being implemented". [Reference ID: 37-008-20140306].
- "If land is already protected by designation (e.g. AONB, conservation area), then consideration should be given to whether any additional local benefit would be gained by designation as Local Green Space." [Reference ID: 37-011-20140306].
- "Whether to designate land is a matter for local discretion. For example, green areas could include land where sports pavilions, boating lakes or structures such as war memorials are located, allotments, or urban spaces that provide a tranquil oasis."
  [Reference ID: 37-013-20140306].
- "The proximity of a Local Green Space to the community it serves will depend on local circumstances, including why the green area is seen as special, but it must be reasonably close. For example, if public access is a key factor, then the site would normally be within easy walking distance of the community served." [Reference ID: 37-014-20140306].
- "Blanket designation of open countryside adjacent to settlements will not be appropriate. In particular, designation should not be proposed as a 'back door' way to try to achieve what would amount to a new area of Green Belt by another name." [Reference ID: 37-015-20140306].
- "Provided land can meet the criteria at paragraph 77 of the National Planning Policy Framework there is no lower size limit for a Local Green Space." [Reference ID: 37-016-20140306].
- "Some areas that may be considered for designation as Local Green Space may already have largely unrestricted public access, though even in places like parks there may be some restrictions. However, other land could be considered for designation even if there is no public access (e.g. green areas which are valued because of their wildlife, historic significance and/or beauty)." [Reference ID: 37-017-20140306].
- "Areas that may be considered for designation as Local Green Space may be crossed by public rights of way. 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." [Reference ID: 37-018-20140306].

- "A Local Green Space does not need to be in public ownership. However, the local planning authority (in the case of local plan making) or the qualifying body (in the case of neighbourhood plan making) should contact landowners at an early stage about proposals to designate any part of their land as Local Green Space. Landowners will have opportunities to make representations in respect of proposals in a draft plan." [Reference ID: 37-019-20140306].
- "Designating a green area as Local Green Space would give it protection consistent with that in respect of Green Belt, but otherwise there are no new restrictions or obligations on landowners." [Reference ID: 37-020-20140306].

#### Local Plan

- 2.6 The South Worcestershire Development Plan (SWDP) was adopted on 25th February 2016. This is the Local Plan which is used to determine planning applications in the three local planning authority areas it covers Wychavon District, Malvern Hills District, and Worcester City. It provides a set of rules which new development must follow, as well as allocating certain areas of land for new housing or employment.
- 2.7 Policy SWDP 2 (Development Strategy and Settlement Hierarchy) sets out the principles which should apply to new development in south Worcestershire. It also establishes a Settlement Hierarchy which steers future allocations and windfall development away from the open countryside and towards more sustainable settlements.
- 2.8 The settlement of Honeybourne is identified as a category 1 settlement and any new development is predominately aimed at meeting locally identified housing and employment needs. Policy SWDP59 New Housing for Villages allocates a site of approximately 75 houses on a site at Land behind High Street and Weston Road (this has been built out).
- 2.9 The Policies Map for the SWDP shows the location of the development boundary for Honeybourne (SWDP 2), the Conservation Area (SWDP 6) and a designated green space under (SWDP 38 Green Space) known as The Green in Brick Walk.
- 2.10 In considering green space account has also been taken of other policies in the SWDP including SWDP 5 Green Infrastructure; and SWDP 39 Provision for Green Space and Outdoor Community Uses in New Development.

2.11 Other designations that have been considered aside from those already mentioned above are the site of archaeological and historical interest with visible earthworks at Mill Mound, and Public Rights of Way maps accessed on the Worcestershire County Council website.

#### Local Plan Evidence

- 2.12 As well as considering policies in the adopted Local Plan account has also been taken of its evidence base. This is so that when considering whether a site and its characteristics are locally significant or distinctive for example, there is some robust evidence to support this assumption and if necessary provide a reasoned justification for policies requiring any enhancements.
- 2.13 The parish of Honeybourne falls into 2 landscape types: Principal Village Farmlands and Village Claylands as defined by the Worcestershire Landscape Assessment. Both of these identify the importance of hedgerows and planting of trees and orchards around villages. These documents are useful to understand the important features of the area. The area is also covered by Natural England's Severn and Avon Vales Character Area.
- 2.14 In terms of SWDP Green Infrastructure Environmental Character Areas the parish is defined as Protect and Restore. This means that any development would not be permitted that has a detrimental impact on important GI attributes unless it can be demonstrated that it surplus to requirements or a replacement will be provided.
- 2.15 The Wychavon Sports Facilities Strategy 2015-30, August 2016<sup>1</sup> looks at built facilities and also sports pitches. Honeybourne has a Village Hall which is about to be replaced as it is no longer fit for purpose and it has a football field and a recently installed MUGA. The Playing Pitch Strategy, Nortoft, 2010<sup>2</sup> also identifies that there is a small netball court at the school but that this is not for wider community use. There is no identified requirement for Honeybourne in the Play Pitch Strategy.

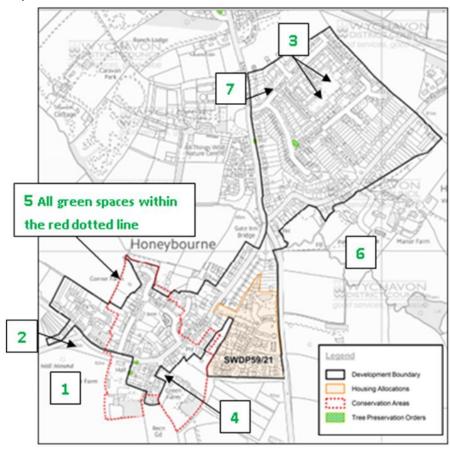
## 3.0 Residents Questionnaire Findings

3.1 The resident questionnaires identified that Green Space is particularly important to Honeybourne in terms of the character and setting of the village and surrounding areas; as an important recreational resource; and also as a habitat to wildlife.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> http://www.swdevelopmentplan.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/Wychavon-Sports-Facility-Strategy-Aug-2016.pdf

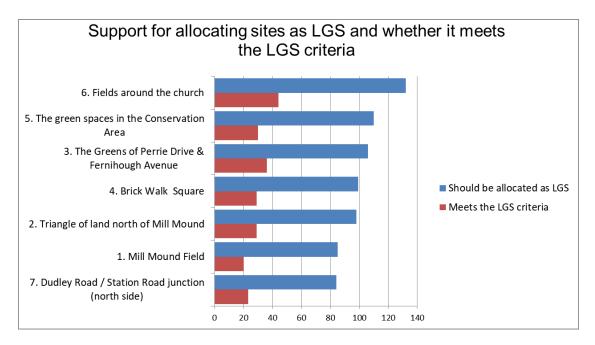
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> http://www.swdevelopmentplan.org/wpcontent/uploads/2013/05/WychavonDistrictPlayingPitchStrategy.pdf

The questionnaire identified 7 areas of green space based on information from the NDP meetings. The questionnaire explained that the area of green space on the east side of Brick Walk in front Green Farm is the only formally designated area of Green Space in Honeybourne. It is protected as a 'Green Space' in the SWDP, which means that any development proposal on that land must ensure the retention of its 'open character'. It also explained that the Neighbourhood Plan can designate areas as LGS which can protect land in a similar way to Green Belt but that it must comply with government criteria (see policy section for criteria).



- 3.2 86% of respondents to the questionnaire were in support of some land in Honeybourne parish being designated as LGS. (11% didn't know and 3% were against).
- 3.3 The Fields around the church, the green spaces in the Conservation Area and the greens of Perrie drive and Fernihough Avenue were the three areas with the most local support for designation, but many of the sites performed well and there were numerous additional suggestions of areas to be considered (see graph overleaf).
- 3.4 Although the community were asked about whether the site met the criteria for LGS designation they were less confident in their response to this. With hindsight the question was not structured to gain a clear understanding of the communities view on this, as it suggested that it should be left blank if you disagreed or didn't know. Therefore it is unclear

how many actually disagreed and how many just didn't know or feel confident in applying the criteria.



- 3.5 The other sites that were suggested through the questionnaire were:
  - The Leys Field;
  - Gate Inn Field;
  - The Village Green Cow Honeybourne;
  - Recreation Field Bretforton Road;
  - The children's play area on Westbourne;
  - Green Space where the existing village hall is;
  - Field behind Badham's garage;
  - Field opposite Badham's garage;
  - Open area in Stephenson Way estate;
  - Green space in front of Bovis Estate;
  - Green Close (by bungalows);
  - Between the rear of Dudley Road and Sycamore Road.

#### 4.0 The Process

- 4.1 Having identified that the community were keen to allocate LGS within the Plan BPA assisted in identifying all possible sites that needed to be assessed. All sites identified through the questionnaire results, as well as any others considered appropriate at a meeting by three members of the steering group in January 2018, were listed as part of a Green Space Audit.
- 4.2 The group were encouraged to identify all the green spaces in the parish. This included: informal green spaces; village greens; allotments; cemeteries; highway verges; parks and gardens; footpaths and cycle routes; rural footpaths and nature trails; sports pitches; Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems and other landscaped areas.
- 4.3 This resulted in a list of 18 sites (see appendix 1). Each of these sites is listed in the Green Space Audit with a description of the type of land it is and the purpose it has; whether there is any statutory designation afforded to the land; the quality and condition of the space; and the value and benefit the space brings to the community. This audit also captures public opinion on that land if it were included in the residents' questionnaire and focus groups.
- 4.4 To avoid criticism and to ensure that green space assessments were undertaken in a robust and transparent way, all 18 sites then underwent a green space site assessment.
- 4.5 One member of the steering group undertook all of the assessments. This helped with consistency in the way the criteria was interpreted. The individual carrying out the assessments was required to declare any interests and was not allowed to assess sites where they may have a prejudicial interest (e.g. own the land being considered). In accordance with the groups commitment to transparency the assessor's name is listed at the top of each site assessment.
- 4.6 The member of the steering group visited the sites to take photographs and complete the assessment forms (published at appendix 3). Based on the principles established in the NPPF and PPG the sites were required to meet three specific criteria they had to:
- be in reasonably close proximity (walking distance) to the community;
- demonstrably special to the local community and hold a particular local significance;
   and
- be local in character/ scale i.e. not an extensive tract of land.
- 4.7 The first and third bullet points were easier to determine, as close proximity was considered to be within 800m-1km, and in the case of the latter any large swathes of fields

on the edge of the settlement were not considered to be local in character as defined by the NPPG. The second bullet point however, required a lot more detailed consideration. Under this overarching criterion a number of questions were asked to determine whether there was enough evidence to propose the site as LGS. Not all of these questions needed to be answered positively for a site to be considered suitable for LGS designation, but the group needed to be confident that at least one or a combination of them was met to demonstrate that the site was special to the local community and held a particular local significance.

- 4.8 The questions used to ascertain this were:
- Are there significant views from the local area into or across the site?
- Does the site afford the public with significant views out into the wider countryside?
- Does the site have special historic significance or features?
- Does the site have recreational value?
- Is the site particularly tranquil?
- Does the site have ecological value, trees, wildlife or habitat?
- Does the site form a significant green break within the settlement?
- Are there other reasons that make the site special to local people?
- Is there evidence demonstrating that the site is special to local people?
- 4.9 In considering whether a space was demonstrably special to a local community, as has already been mentioned 7 of the sites were covered in the residents' questionnaire and were ranked with any comments received about them captured on the site summary. The majority of the others were borne out of suggestions from the questionnaire. All sites considered along with this background paper will be consulted on in the community and with stakeholders as part of a consultation event.
- 4.10 Each of these assessments (published at appendix 3), were reviewed by other members of the steering group and members of the public that attended the shortlisting meeting on 28 March 2018. At this meeting the compliance of each site was considered against the NPPF criteria using the assessment forms and it was decided whether they should be shortlisted.
- 4.11 The 13 shortlisted sites were:
  - Areas of land on Dudley Road
  - Mill Mound
  - Elm Green
  - The Green Cow Honeybourne
  - The Greens of Perrie Drive and Fernihough Avenue
  - The green spaces in the Nature Reserve off Station Road
  - Fields around the church
  - Gate Inn Field
  - Honeybourne Sport and Recreation Field

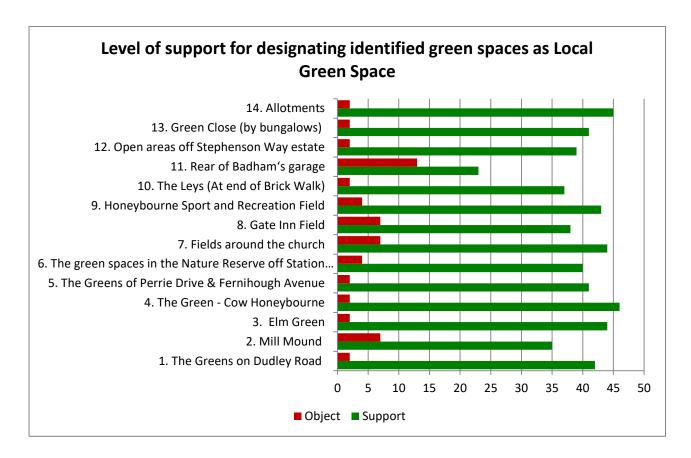
- The Leys (At end of Brick Walk)
- Rear of Badham's garage
- Open areas off Stephenson Way estate
- Green Close (by bungalows)
- 4.12 The group agreed that these sites would be taken to the community as part of a consultation event to update the public on the progress and direction of the plan; and that ultimately the community would assist in deciding whether all the sites that have been selected by the steering group are designated LGS in the draft plan.
- 4.13 At the meeting on the 25<sup>th</sup> April 2018 it was also identified that one additional site, the village allotments should be assessed and included in the sites presented to the community. An assessment was undertaken by a member of the steering group and the documentation updated; therefore 14 sites will be taken to the community for consultation in July 2018.
- 4.14 As part of the consultation the community were presented with an explanation of the criteria for designating LGS, and the 14 shortlisted sites including photographs of each, a brief explanation of their use and a map showing where they are all located. One site, land to the rear of Badham's Garage, was also presented at the consultation as a possible housing site; this was made clear to those attending the event and stated on the consultation material.



Display Boards from July 2018 Consultation event

4.15 As can be seen from the chart overleaf overall there was very strong support for designating the identified sites as Local Green Space by those attending the event. The site that was least supported and was the most objected to, was the land to the rear of Badham's Garage. This site was also identified as the most preferred site for a housing allocation in the parish and has therefore been removed from the list of sites designated as

Local Green Space in the Draft Plan. The remaining 13 sites have been carried forward into the draft Plan.



4.16 Prior to submission of the Plan in July 2019 planning permission has been granted for 6 dwellings on appeal on part of the LGS identified as 5.The Greens of Perrie Drive and Fernihough Avenue. In light of this recent decision the boundaries of these greens has been redrawn to reflect the planning permission and to protect what remains of this series of locally important open spaces (appendix 4).

## **Appendix 1 Green Space Audit**

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							questio						
Re f	Address /Location	Site area (Ha)	What type is it	Statutory Designation / Status	Quality and condition of space	Value and benefit to community	Suppo rt for design ation	Mee ts LGS crite ria	Rank	Close proximity to the communit y it serves?	Why special to a local community?	Local in character (not tract of land)	Summary
H BY 1	Greens off Dudley Road	Too small to regist er	Grass & trees in front of propertie s		Mature trees planted at inception of estate in 60s	A green space used as a play area & with trees	84	23	7	YES	It is special to the local residents it provides an open aspect, and is used as a play area.	Yes immediately outside properties	This is an important green space and contributes to the quality of the environment for those that live in these streets.  Recommend to designate as Local Green Space
H BY 2	Mill Mound	0.02	Agricultur al land	Shown on OS map as a site of archaeologi cal and historical interest with visible earthworks	Area concerned holds an Ancient site	Site cannot easily be seen hidden behind high hedges but of historic value	85	20	6	YES	Historic interest, important to the character of the settlement	Yes located at Gateway to village	This is an historic site that is not protected by a statutory designation (i.e. SAM) but is important to the history of the settlement. There is no public access to this site. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space

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H BY 3	Elm Green	0.24	Grassed with trees & bench. Christmas Tree stands on this green		Looked after by PC?	Good size area used for play & by village communit y at Xmas time	98	29	5	YES	Historically been a green, site of village Christmas tree. It is an important feature in the setting of the village	Yes small triangle of land.	This site hosts the Christmas tree and is used by the community. It is visually important to the setting of the village. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space
H BY 4	The Green - Cow Honeybou rne	0.056	Small grassed area	Within Conservati on Area Designated Green Space in SWDP under SWDP38	Very small area	Designate d a green by PC?	99	29	4	YES	Within Conservation area important to setting of this part of the village	Yes small	The land is designated as green space in the SWDP38. Important to historic setting of this part of the Conservation Area. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space
H BY 5	The Greens of Perrie Drive & Fernihoug h Avenue	0.27	Grassed area used as a play area		Only reasonabl e size area on this estate. Managed	Play area surrounde d by houses. Enables parents to easily keep an eye on their play	106	36	3	YES	Been open space since Estate built in 1960s. Important play area for children.	Yes	Land is important open space for the communities that surround it and live on the estate. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space

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H BY 6	The green spaces in the Nature Reserve Area	1.44	New Nature Reserve Area created due to HP gas main running across field		Nature Reserve Area High Pressure Gas main runs across site. Gravel path, several benches & poo bins	Open space on this new estate & planting plus existing trees & hedge line	110	30	2	YES	Forms part of the green space for new development Encourages birds & small mammals	Yes	Land is important open space for the communities that surround it and provide an important habitat for nature. Used by family strollers and dog walkers. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space
H BY 7	Fields around the church The one with FP continuing to church	0.42	Old blue brick path leading to church. Rough grass	Public Footpath	Rough grass path could be renovated	Makes a pleasant walk from one side of village to church with views. Used by dog walkers and walkers.	132	44	1	YES	Historically been open land in the village. Used for walking with important views. Contains historic path.	Yes	Land has historical significance used by the local community and provides a pleasant peaceful environment. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space

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H BY 8	Gate Inn Field	12.6	Used as play area & dog walking	Public Footpath	Traditional ly been used as a play & dog walking area	This is an extension of the path to church	132 See abov e			YES	Historically been open land. Used for walking with important views. Contains historic path. Cut through to shop and church for villagers.	Yes	Land has historical significance used by the local community and provides a pleasant peaceful environment. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space
H BY 9	New Sports & Recreation Field. Bretforton Road	3	Recently built new playing fields With MUGA courts & pavilion		Purpose built site maintaine d by PC	Communit y Sports facility				YES	Important community sports facility with multiple sports provision.	Yes	Important community sports facility with multiple sports provision. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space
H BY 10	The Leys (At end of Brick Walk)	2.22	Play area at one end.	Public Footpath	Flat grassed field previously used by school. Public use	Lovely quiet area with views On edge of CA and footpath to airfield				YES	Lovely quiet area with views On edge of CA and footpath to airfield	Yes	Used for recreation including play and walking with connections further afield. Tranquil with good views. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space

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	Next door to Cemetery - Cemetery Field	1.43	Grassed area. Sheep Grazing.	Public Footpath	Some ridge & furrow. Closeness to the Cemetery	Views towards the church & historic Dover's Hill				YES	Not demonstrably special. Unknown level of use.	Yes	Not demonstrably special. Unknown level of use. Therefore not recommended to designate.
	Field opposite Badham's garage	1.83	Grassed area. Sheep Grazing.	Public Footpath	On outskirts of village	Views towards church Has views out towards historic Dover's Hill				YES	Not demonstrably special. Unknown level of use.	Yes	Not demonstrably special. Unknown level of use. Therefore not recommended to designate.
	The land behind children's play area on Westbour ne	0.12	Grassed area. Surround ed on 3 sides by houses & 4th side by play equipme nt		Possibly not accessible - land locked ex playgroun d side	Gap between houses on two different roads				YES	Unknown	Yes	Not accessible and not considered special. Therefore not recommended to designate.

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H BY 11	Rear of Badham's garage	3,20	Rough grassed field, used on & off for agricultur al use & for play & dog walking	Public Footpath	Gets waterlogg ed at times	Links SE side of village with Nature Conservati on area & onwards to Station				YES	Used for dog walking and some properties along Harvard Avenue have gates with direct access to public open space.	Yes contained by houses and railway line	The land is used for dog walking and links to other side of village. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space (NB also proposed as allocation for housing need to understand public support of this open space)
H BY 12	Open areas off Stephenso n Way estate	SW1 0.13	Grassed area with trees (Private Rds)		Currently owned by builders of estate - Taylor Wimpey. Ongoing process of adoption by PC. Is currently used as a green for estate	This estate was specificall y built with these green areas				YES	Important to the community that lives around it as amenity space.	Yes	This is an important green space and contributes to the quality of the environment for those that live in these streets. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space

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	Open areas off Stephenso n Way estate	SW2 - 0.3	Grassed with shrubs, acts as buffer area between houses & railway	Public Footpath	Has embankm ent with shrubs & separate shrub enclosure	Buffer Zone Wild birds feed on berries & nest in shrubs				YES	Buffer Zone from railway. Used by local children & members of public as links to further footpaths	Yes	Not demonstrably special. Unknown level of use. Therefore not recommended to designate.
H BY 13	Green Close ( by bungalows )	0.02	Grassed area in front of bungalow s. Owned by Rooftop Housing		Has a mature tree to one side	Yes to the people who live in the bungalow s				YES	Important to the community that lives around it as amenity space.	Yes	A very small area of green which is kept & used by the bungalow residents Recommend to designate as Local Green Space
H BY 14	The Allotments	1.2	Leased by PC for Allotmen ts		Bordered on 3 sides by hedges	Yes to allotment holders				YES	Important for members of the community to be able to grow fresh fruit & veg	Yes	Villagers requested land to be made available for allotments. Leased by PC for this use. Land is significantly important to the village. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space

## **Appendix 2 Site Assessment Form (blank)**

Site A	Assessment Form (Green Space)	
Compl	pleted by:	ate:
Site Na	Name / Ref:	
Site A	Address:	
Site Aı	Area:	
Descri	ription/ Overview	
Мар а	and Photo to be inserted	
Currer	ent Use:	
Design	nations (Conservation Area/ Significant Gap etc.):	
Criter	ria and reason for protection	
1. serves	Is the green space in reasonably close proximity (walks?	ring distance) to the community it
2. local s	Is the green space demonstrably special to the local of significance?	community and hold a particular
a)	Are there significant views from the local area into or	across the site?
b)	Does the site afford the public with significant views of	out into the wider countryside?
c)	Does the site have special historic significance or feat	ures?
d)	Does the site have recreational value?	
e)	Is the site particularly tranquil?	

f)	Does the site have ecological value, trees, wildlife or habitat?
g)	Does the site form a significant green break within the settlement?
h)	Are there other reasons that make the site special to local people?
i)	Is there evidence demonstrating that the site is special to local people?
3.	Is the green area:
a)	local in character?
b)	an extensive tract of land? Yes / No
Is ther	re public access to the site?
Would	I the site provide the public with amenity value without public access?
Summ	ary and recommendations:

## **Appendix 3 Completed Site Assessment Forms**

Site Assessment Form (Green Space)

Completed by: WJP Date: 27/4/18

Site Name / Ref: HBY 1 The Greens along Dudley Rd

**Site Address:** Dudley Road Honeybourne

**Site Area:** This area includes 4 small separate plots



#### Description

#### Plot 1

Has pavement along one side & road on another Size includes pavements 105 Sq mts / 0.0105HA

#### Plot 2

Has pavement along 2 sides Size includes pavements 212.4 Sq mts / 0.0212HA

#### Plot 3

Has pavement & roads along 2 sides. Size includes Pavements. 460.3 Sq Mts / 0.046HA

#### Plot 4

Has pavement & roads along along 3 sides. Size includes pavements 891.4 Sq mts /0.0891 HA

Current Use: Areas situated in front of houses used for play & wildlife

## Designations (Conservation Area/ Significant Gap etc):

\* Gap between houses & road

- 1. Is the green space in reasonably close proximity (walking distance) to the community it serves?
- \* Yes immediately adjacent to the community
- 2. Is the green space demonstrably special to the local community and hold a particular local significance?
- Yes. Have a selection of mature & immature trees planted on the site. Children use to play on.
- a) Are there significant views from the local area into or across the site?
- No
- b) Does the site afford the public with significant views out into the wider countryside? \* No
- c) Does the site have special historic significance or features? \* No
- d) Does the site have recreational value? \* Yes, children play on the areas

## e) Is the site particularly tranquil? \* No

#### f) Does the site have ecological value, trees, wildlife or habitat?

• Yes - mix of mature & younger trees. Mix of long & short grass, with wild flowers such as the Cuckoo flower / Ladies Smock - Cardamine pratensis;

Cowslips - Primula veris. Areas have also been planted up by the adjoining properties with spring bulbs

- g) Does the site form a significant green break within the settlement? \* Yes
- 3. Is the green area:
- a) local in character? \* Yes
- b) an extensive tract of land? \* No

Is there public access to the site? \* Yes

Would the site provide the public with amenity value without public access? \* No

## Summary and recommendations:

These areas are extremely small; sizes are not accurate as you cannot differentiate between land and the pavements that have been put in to service the houses that are adjacent to the land. They are significantly important to the people that live in the vicinity, as these are important green spaces and contributes to the quality of the environment for those that live along this road. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space

#### Site Assessment Form (Green Space)

Completed by: WJP Date: 6.2.18

Site Name / Ref: HBY 2 Mill Mound SP 11101 43689

Site Address: Corner of Gloster Aides Rd & Breforton Rd

Site Area: 0.02 hectares



This is a small area of raised earth works that are identified as being of historic importance on ordnance survey maps but is not accessible to the public.

**Current Use: Agriculture** 

**Designations (Conservation Area/ Significant Gap etc):** 

Criteria and reason for protection

1. Is the green space in reasonably close proximity (walking distance) to the community it serves?

Yes

- 2. Is the green space demonstrably special to the local community and hold a particular local significance? \* Encompasses a historic site
- a) Are there significant views from the local area into or across the site?
- \* Not at moment due to height of hedge, but otherwise Yes
- b) Does the site afford the public with significant views out into the wider countryside?
- \* Yes. Out to The Cotswolds
- c) Does the site have special historic significance or features?
- \* Marked on OS maps as Ancient site.
- d) Does the site have recreational value?
- \* Only as a historic site of interest
- e) Is the site particularly tranquil?
- \* Is at the quieter end of the village
- f) Does the site have ecological value, trees, wildlife or habitat?
- \* Has some trees on top of the mound (unsure which type)
- g) Does the site form a significant green break within the settlement?
- \* No
- h) Are there other reasons that make the site special to local people?
- \* Views out towards Bredon Hill
- i) Is there evidence demonstrating that the site is special to local people? From a historic point of view
- 3. Is the green area:
- a) local in character?

Yes

b) an extensive tract of land?

No

Is there public access to the site?

\* Not at the moment

#### Would the site provide the public with amenity value without public access?

\* No Small historic site which at present cannot be viewed very easily

#### Summary and recommendations:

This is an historic site that is not protected by a statutory designation (i.e. SAM) but is important to the history of the settlement. There is no public access to this site. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space

Site Assessment Form (Green Space)

Completed by: WJP Date: 12.3.18

Site Name / Ref: HBY 3 The Elm Green

Site Address: Corner of Gloster Ades Road & Breforton Road Grid Ref: SP 11150 43745

Site Area: 2478.4 Sq Mts

#### **Description/ Overview**



**Current Use: \*** Position of Honeybourne Christmas Tree of Light each year. Used by children to play on. Has had trees planted and a seat is at one end

#### Designations (Conservation Area/ Significant Gap etc):

Immediately adjacent to Conservation Area

- 1. Is the green space in reasonably close proximity (walking distance) to the community it serves? \*
  YES
- 2. Is the green space demonstrably special to the local community and hold a particular local significance? \* YES as is known as The Green
- a) Are there significant views from the local area into or across the site?
- \* YES
- b) Does the site afford the public with significant views out into the wider countryside?
- \* YES Views across to Bredon Hill
- c) Does the site have special historic significance or features?
- \* It is adjacent to Mill Mound and may have been part of that area
- d) Does the site have recreational value?
- YES, both from its views and from social use
- e) Is the site particularly tranquil? \* NO
- f) Does the site have ecological value, trees, wildlife or habitat?
- \* YES Has deciduous hedge along one side and also borders open countryside
- g) Does the site form a significant green break within the settlement?
- h) Are there other reasons that make the site special to local people?
- YES Historically has been used/known as a village green
- i) Is there evidence demonstrating that the site is special to local people?
- \* Well used
- 3. Is the green area: a) local in character?
- YES the site is located at key gateway into the village directly opposite properties

b) an extensive tract of land?

No

Is there public access to the site? \* YES

#### Summary and recommendation:

This site hosts the Christmas tree and is used by the community. It is visually important to the setting of the village. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space

Site Assessment Form (Green Space)

Completed by: WJP Date: 12.3.18

Site Name / Ref: HBY 4 The Green Grid Ref: SP11371 43658

Site Address: The Green Off Brick Walk Honeybourne

Site Area: 565 Sq Mts

**Description/ Overview** Small Green within Conservation Area



Current Use: A Green

**Designations (Conservation Area/ Significant Gap etc):** \* Within Conservation Area and designated Green Space in SWDP under SWDP38

- 1. Is the green space in reasonably close proximity (walking distance) to the community it serves? \*
- 2. Is the green space demonstrably special to the local community and hold a particular local significance? \* YES Historically has been known as The Green in the early 1900's
- a) Are there significant views from the local area into or across the site? \* NO
- b) Does the site afford the public with significant views out into the wider countryside? \* NO
- c) Does the site have special historic significance or features?
  - \* YES Historically known as The Green since early 1900's
- d) Does the site have recreational value?
  - \* Area used by local children for play
- e) Is the site particularly tranquil? \* NO
- f) Does the site have ecological value, trees, wildlife or habitat? \* NO

- g) Does the site form a significant green break within the settlement? \* YES
- h) Are there other reasons that make the site special to local people?
- \* See c above
- 1. Is there evidence demonstrating that the site is special to local people?
  - \* The fact that it has remained a Green for such a length of time & is within Conservation area
- 3. Is the green area:
- a) local in character? \* YES within its situation
- b) an extensive tract of land?

No

Is there public access to the site? \* YES

Would the site provide the public with amenity value without public access? \* No Summary and recommendations:

This is an historic site that is not protected by a statutory designation (i.e. SAM) but is important to the history of the settlement. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space

## Site Assessment Form (Green Space)

Completed by: WJP Date: 9.2.18

Site Name / Ref: HBY 5 Greens off Perrie Drive & Fernihough Ave. Grid Ref: SP11825 44478

Site Address: Fernihough Ave, Dudley Rd Estate Honeybourne

Site Area: Area 2749 Sq mts

**Description/ Overview** 



**Current Use:** Recreational area / open space/ separation /network of paths

Designations (Conservation Area/ Significant Gap etc):

- 1.Is the green space in reasonably close proximity (walking distance) to the community it serves?
- YES It has houses all around its perimeter
- 2.Is the green space demonstrably special to the local community and hold a particular local significance?
- YES the estate which surrounds it was originally built for employees of the local prison and the greens were for their relaxation & recreation. This has continued to be a recreational area for the continuing inhabitants
- a) Are there significant views from the local area into or across the site? \* No

- b) Does the site afford the public with significant views out into the wider countryside? NO
- c) Does the site have special historic significance or features?
- \* Yes by virtue of the time it has been used
- d) Does the site have recreational value? See 2 above
- e) Is the site particularly tranquil? \* NO
- f) Does the site have ecological value, trees, wildlife or habitat? NO
- g) Does the site form a significant green break within the settlement?
- \* Yes by the houses that surround it
- h) Are there other reasons that make the site special to local people?
- Since the building of these houses in late 1960's, early 1970's, the area has always been used as a recreational space for local inhabitants
- i) Is there evidence demonstrating that the site is special to local people?
- \* It is used by local people on a regular basis
- 3. Is the green area:
- a) local in character? Yes specifically created for the housing that surrounds it
- b) an extensive tract of land? \* No

Is there public access to the site? \* YES

Would the site provide the public with amenity value without public access? \* No, not really

#### **Summary and recommendations:**

Land is important open space for the communities that surround it and live on the estate. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space.

## Site Assessment Form (Green Space)

Completed by: WJP Date: 12.3.18

Site Name / Ref: HBY 6 Nature Reserve Area GR SP 11819 44605

**Site Address:** Off Station Road Honeybourne

Site Area: 14460 Sq mts

## **Description/ Overview**

Planting and pathways created as part of open space for new housing development.



Current Use: Due to HP Gas Main area is known as The Nature Reserve

#### Designations (Conservation Area/ Significant Gap etc):

None

#### Criteria and reason for protection

# 1. Is the green space in reasonably close proximity (walking distance) to the community it serves? YES

# 2. Is the green space demonstrably special to the local community and hold a particular local significance?

YES acts as a buffer between 1970's housing and new houses & has been laid out with pathways & planted with trees

- a) Are there significant views from the local area into or across the site?
  - \* Some views across the site
- b) Does the site afford the public with significant views out into the wider countryside? NO
- c) Does the site have special historic significance or features?
- YES Has some ridge & furrow across the site
- d) Does the site have recreational value? \* YES Has seats and paths in place
- e) Is the site particularly tranquil?
- NO due to nearby road, but is a pleasant place to sit in the summer
- f) Does the site have ecological value, trees, wildlife or habitat?
- Has a mature deciduous hedge bordering its north east edge. Birds use the hedge for roosting/nesting/food. Hedgehogs have been seen
- g) Does the site form a significant green break within the settlement?
- YES acts as a buffer between 1970's housing and new houses

## h) Are there other reasons that make the site special to local people?

- Used for moving between different areas; family strolling; dog walking and children like to make dens in the area
- i) Is there evidence demonstrating that the site is special to local people
- YES It is used on a regular basis
- 3. Is the green area:
- a) local in character? \* YES forms part of the green space for new development
- b) an extensive tract of land? No

Is there public access to the site? YES

Would the site provide the public with amenity value without public access?

n/a

#### Summary and recommendations:

Land is important open space for the communities that surround it and provide an important habitat for nature. Used by family strollers & dog walkers. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space.

#### Site Assessment Form (Green Space)

Completed by: WJP Date: 12.3.18

Site Name / Ref: HBY 7 Church Field GR SP 11945 44059

Site Address: Off Station Road and on drive leading to Church Honeybourne

Site Area: 280.8 Sq Mts



Current Use: Scrub land

#### Designations (Conservation Area/ Significant Gap etc):

• Public Footpath is continuation of the one from the Gate Field going to the church and then across fields to south east

- 1. Is the green space in reasonably close proximity (walking distance) to the community it serves? \* YES
- 2. Is the green space demonstrably special to the local community and hold a particular local significance?
- YES As old blue brick pathway leads across the field.
- a) Are there significant views from the local area into or across the site?
  - Views across the site to Church

- b) Does the site afford the public with significant views out into the wider countryside?
- \* YES towards historic Dover's Hill
- c) Does the site have special historic significance or features?
- \* YES An old blue brick path. Historically Brides have walked across the field to the church to be married.
- d) Does the site have recreational value? \* Public Footpath
- e) Is the site particularly tranquil? \* Yes
- f) Does the site have ecological value, trees, wildlife or habitat?
- \* YES Has a mature deciduous hedge along parts of it perimeter, also mature trees border one end. Rough grass encourages small mammals. Birds use the hedge & trees for roosting/nesting/food. Brook alongside one edge.
- g) Does the site form a significant green break within the settlement?\* NO
- h) Are there other reasons that make the site special to local people?

\*YES Used by dog walkers and is a pathway to the Church.

- i) Is there evidence demonstrating that the site is special to local people
- \* YES By regular use via the footpath
- 3. Is the green area:
- a) local in character? \* YES
- b) an extensive tract of land? No

Is there public access to the site? \* YES via a footpath

Would the site provide the public with amenity value without public access?

\* Only in as so much as the public footpath crossing the land

#### **Summary and recommendations:**

Land has historical significance used by the local community and provides a pleasant peaceful environment. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space

Site Assessment Form (Green Space)

Completed by: WJP Date: 6.2.18

Site Name / Ref: HBY 8 The Gate Field. Grid ref: SP 11721 43998

Site Address: Weston Rd, HYB

Site Area: Area 12600.6 Sq mt

Description/ Overview





#### **Current Use:**

- \* Field used to exercise dogs
- Recreational informal play, especially by the brook
- Historic footpath leading to Church

#### Designations (Conservation Area/ Significant Gap etc): Public Footpath runs across site

#### Criteria and reason for protection

- 1. Is the green space in reasonably close proximity (walking distance) to the community it serves? YES
- 2. Is the green space demonstrably special to the local community and hold a particular local significance? YES
- a) Are there significant views from the local area into or across the site? YES Houses that adjoin or are opposite the land have views across to the church and some also have views to local hills
- **b) Does the site afford the public with significant views out into the wider countryside?** YES Views across to Historic Dover's Hill area.
- c) Does the site have special historic significance or features?
- YES Old stone path leading to the church Ridge & Furrow

#### d) Does the site have recreational value?

**YES** - \* Field used to exercise dogs

- Recreational informal play, especially by the brook
- Historic footpath leading to Church
- e) Is the site particularly tranquil?
- f) Does the site have ecological value, trees, wildlife or habitat?
- YES- \* A brook borders 2 sides
  - \* Has mixed deciduous hedges & trees
- g) Does the site form a significant green break within the settlement?

YES - Between Cow Honeybourne & Church Honeybourne

#### h) Are there other reasons that make the site special to local people?

**YES-** The field has been used for many years (24 plus) as an area which local people have used for recreational purposes

## 1. Is there evidence demonstrating that the site is special to local people?

YES - By virtue of the length of time it has been used and it was suggested in questionnaire.

- 3. Is the green area:
- a) local in character? YES
- b) an extensive tract of land? No

Is there public access to the site? YES

Would the site provide the public with amenity value without public access? \* NO

#### Summary & recommendations

Land has historical significance used by the local community and provides a pleasant peaceful environment. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space

#### Site Assessment Form (Green Space)

Completed by: WJP Date: 27/4/18

Site Name / Ref: HBY 9 Honeybourne Recreation & Sports Field

Site Address: Breforton Rd, Honeybourne. Grid: SP11042 43841

Site Area: Unknown

**Description/ Overview** 



Current Use: \* Used as a sports & recreation field with MUGA equipment Courts & Clubhouse.

Designations (Conservation Area/ Significant Gap etc):

- 1. Is the green space in reasonably close proximity (walking distance) to the community it serves?
- \* Yes
- 2. Is the green space demonstrably special to the local community and hold a particular local significance?
- a) Are there significant views from the local area into or across the site?
- \* Yes. Across to surrounding hills
- b) Does the site afford the public with significant views out into the wider countryside? \* Yes
- c) Does the site have special historic significance or features? \* No
- d) Does the site have recreational value? \* Yes Used as a sports field & recreation ground
- e) Is the site particularly tranquil? \* Yes

#### f) Does the site have ecological value, trees, wildlife or habitat?

\* Yes - is bordered by mixed hedges

#### g) Does the site form a significant green break within the settlement?

\* No

## h) Are there other reasons that make the site special to local people?

sports facility with multiple sports provision.

#### 3. Is the green area:

a) local in character? \* YES

b) an extensive tract of land?

No

#### Is there public access to the site? YES

Would the site provide the public with amenity value without public access?

\* No

## Summary and recommendations:

Important community sports facility with multiple sports provision. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space.

#### Site Assessment Form (Green Space)

Completed by: WJP Date: 6.2.18

Site Name / Ref: HBY 10 The Leys Recreation Field Grid ref: SP 11339 43558

Site Address: Brick Walk, Honeybourne

Site Area: 22270.8 Sq mts

**Description/ Overview** Open recreation area.



**Designations (Conservation Area/ Significant Gap etc):** \* Public Footpath down the west side and one that leads in to the site from the east.

#### Criteria and reason for protection

1.Is the green space in reasonably close proximity (walking distance) to the community it serves? \*

# 2. Is the green space demonstrably special to the local community and hold a particular local significance?

YES Has been used as the Recreation Ground for many years

- a) Are there significant views from the local area into or across the site?
- \* YES
- b) Does the site afford the public with significant views out into the wider countryside?
- \* YES Has views to the Cotswold Hills
- c) Does the site have special historic significance or features?
- d) Does the site have recreational value?
- \* YES Small playground area at one end. Used by local children to play football etc; used by dog walkers and walkers
- e) Is the site particularly tranquil? \* YES
- f) Does the site have ecological value, trees, wildlife or habitat?
- YES Has hedges and some mature trees; has both a short grass and rough grassed areas; backs on to open farmland
- g) Does the site form a significant green break within the settlement?

\* NO

h) Are there other reasons that make the site special to local people?

Play area used by the community

- i) Is there evidence demonstrating that the site is special to local people? \* YES By virtue of its continued use
- 3. Is the green area:
- a) local in character?
- YES
- b) an extensive tract of land? No

Is there public access to the site? \* YES

Would the site provide the public with amenity value without public access? \* NO

## **Summary and recommendations:**

Used for recreation including play and walking with connections further afield. Tranquil with good views. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space

Site Assessment Form (Green Space)

Completed by: WJP Date:7.2.18

Site Name / Ref Cemetery Field Grid Ref: 12175 44312

Site Address: Mickleton Rd, Honeybourne

Site Area: Area: 14349 Sq Mts

**Description/ Overview** 



Current Use: Agricultural - grazing sheep

#### Designations (Conservation Area/ Significant Gap etc):

\* Public Footpath along the length of field

- 1. Is the green space in reasonably close proximity (walking distance) to the community it serves?

  Yes
- 2. Is the green space demonstrably special to the local community and hold a particular local significance?
- Has a Public Footpath running along its entire length. Has ridge & furrow within it
- a) Are there significant views from the local area into or across the site?
- Views to south west to Church.
- b) Does the site afford the public with significant views out into the wider countryside?
- YES
- c) Does the site have special historic significance or features?
- \* Land forms part of Manor Farm estate and has some ridge & furrow
- d) Does the site have recreational value?
- Footpath, dog walkers
- e) Is the site particularly tranquil?
- \* Yes. As is adjacent to Cemetery to the north; the Manor to west and other fields to east.
- f) Does the site have ecological value, trees, wildlife or habitat?
- Bordered by mixed hedge on two sides and some mature trees to west
- g) Does the site form a significant green break within the settlement?
- \* No as on the edge of the village
- h) Are there other reasons that make the site special to local people?
- \* Footpath with stream alongside part of it at quieter end of village
- i) Is there evidence demonstrating that the site is special to local people?
- \* Only by Footpath use

- 3. Is the green area:
- a) local in character? \* YES
- b) an extensive tract of land?

\* No

Is there public access to the site? \* Yes - public footpath

#### Would the site provide the public with amenity value without public access?

Yes - nice open views but there is access via footpath

#### Summary and recommendations:

Not demonstrably special. Unknown level of use. Therefore not recommended to designate.

# Site Assessment Form (Green Space)

Completed by: WJP Date: 12.3.18

Site Name / Ref: Field Opposite Badham's
Site Address: Mickleton Road Honeybourne

Site Area: 18365.2 Sq mts

# Description/ Overview



Current Use: \* Used for sheep grazing

#### Designations (Conservation Area/ Significant Gap etc):

\* Public Footpath crosses land diagonally from SE to NW. Brook runs down one side. Telephone wire & posts in field

- 1. Is the green space in reasonably close proximity (walking distance) to the community it serves? YES
- 2. Is the green space demonstrably special to the local community and hold a particular local significance?
- \* YES acts as a buffer between the railway line and existing houses
- a) Are there significant views from the local area into or across the site?
  - \* Views across the site to Dover's Hill
- b) Does the site afford the public with significant views out into the wider countryside? YES
- c) Does the site have special historic significance or features? NO
- d) Does the site have recreational value? \* Public footpath walkers and dog walkers
- e) Is the site particularly tranquil? \* Reasonably so

- f) Does the site have ecological value, trees, wildlife or habitat? \* YES Has deciduous hedges bordering all four boundaries. Birds use the hedge for roosting/nesting/food. Area is very wet and is a potential Newt breeding area.
- g) Does the site form a significant green break within the settlement? \* NO
- h) Are there other reasons that make the site special to local people? Public footpath unknown level of use.
- i) Is there evidence demonstrating that the site is special to local people
- 3. Is the green area:
- a) local in character? \* YES
- b) an extensive tract of land?

/ No

Is there public access to the site? YES Via PF

Would the site provide the public with amenity value without public access?

\* NO as only a PF across site and not access to whole site

# Summary/Recommendations:

Not demonstrably special. Unknown level of use. Therefore not recommended to designate.

# Site Assessment Form (Green Space)

Completed by: WJP Date: 24.3.18

Site Name / Ref: Westbourne behind play area. Grid SP 11964 44417

**Site Address:** Behind play area off Westbourne

Site Area: 1233 sq mts

Description/ Overview



Current Use: None just grassed area

Designations (Conservation Area/ Significant Gap etc): Gap between surrounding houses

- 1. Is the green space in reasonably close proximity (walking distance) to the community it serves?

  \* YES
- 2. Is the green space demonstrably special to the local community and hold a particular local significance? \* YES By children's playground & acts as a break between houses on one road & another
- a) Are there significant views from the local area into or across the site? Only of the children's playground
- b) Does the site afford the public with significant views out into the wider countryside? \* NO

- c) Does the site have special historic significance or features? \*NO
- d) Does the site have recreational value? Yes could have due to the undulating nature of the ground children's bike run
- e) Is the site particularly tranquil? \* NO
- f) Does the site have ecological value, trees, wildlife or habitat? \*NO
- g) Does the site form a significant green break within the settlement? \* Yes
- h) Are there other reasons that make the site special to local people? \* NO
- i) Is there evidence demonstrating that the site is special to local people? \* NO
- 3. Is the green area:
- a) local in character? Just an un used grassed area
- b) an extensive tract of land? No

Is there public access to the site? \* No

Would the site provide the public with amenity value without public access? \* Only as a gap between houses

**Summary and recommendations:** Not accessible and not considered special. Therefore not recommended to designate.

#### Site Assessment Form (Green Space)

Completed by: WJP Date: 6.2.18

Site Name / Ref: HBY 11 Rear of Badhams Grid ref: SP 12093 44429

**Site Address:** Stratford Rd, Honeybourne

Site Area: Area 32092.0 Sq mts

# **Description/ Overview**



**Current Use:** Rough grassland

**Designations (Conservation Area/ Significant Gap etc):** 

- 1. Is the green space in reasonably close proximity (walking distance) to the community it serves? YES
- a) Are there significant views from the local area into or across the site?
- \* Only over the site by houses which back on to the field

#### b) Does the site afford the public with significant views out into the wider countryside?

- \* Views across to edge of Dover's Hill and Meon Hill
- c) Does the site have special historic significance or features? \* No

#### d) Does the site have recreational value?

- \* Yes Children play on field and dog walkers
- e) Is the site particularly tranquil? \* No due to abutting railway line

#### f) Does the site have ecological value, trees, wildlife or habitat?

- \* Deer are sometimes seen feeding on the field. Site can be wet at times so possibility of newts. Has deciduous hedges bordering all four boundaries. Birds use the hedge for roosting/nesting/food.
- g) Does the site form a significant green break within the settlement?
- \* Yes, between the railway line and houses that back onto the land

#### h) Are there other reasons that make the site special to local people?

- \* Public footpath is on part of the land and would be ideal to continue this footpath along rear of houses to join up with Conservation Area. This would help in joining one side of the village to another.
- i) Is there evidence demonstrating that the site is special to local people?
- \* Been used by local people to walk & play for over 20 years
- 3. Is the green area:
- a) local in character?
- \* in as much as it was agricultural land at one time
- b) an extensive tract of land? No

**Is there public access to the site?** \* By virtue of a footpath

# Would the site provide the public with amenity value without public access?

\* Only as a buffer between houses and railway line

#### **Summary & Recommendations:**

The land is used for dog walking and links to other side of village. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space (NB also proposed as allocation for housing need to understand public support of this open space)

Site Assessment Form (Green Space)

Completed by: WJP Date: 24.8.18

Site Name / Ref: HBY 12a and 12b Green area in centre of Stephensons Way Est

Site Address: Stephensons Way. Grid SP 11499 44719

Site Area: SW1 1315.9 Sq mts

**Description/ Overview** 

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Current Use: Used as a green

Designations (Conservation Area/ Significant Gap etc):

#### Criteria and reason for protection

- 1. Is the green space in reasonably close proximity (walking distance) to the community it serves?

  \* YES
- 2. Is the green space demonstrably special to the local community and hold a particular local significance? \* YES Built specifically with this green space
- a) Are there significant views from the local area into or across the site? \* NO
- b) Does the site afford the public with significant views out into the wider countryside? \*NO
- c) Does the site have special historic significance or features? \* NO
- d) Does the site have recreational value? \* Area specifically built for a village green on this estate
- e) Is the site particularly tranquil? \* NO
- **f) Does the site have ecological value, trees, wildlife or habitat?** \*Has some mature trees on the site
- g) Does the site form a significant green break within the settlement?
- h) Are there other reasons that make the site special to local people? \* NO
- i) Is there evidence demonstrating that the site is special to local people? \* YES Tended well
- 3. Is the green area:
- a) local in character? Yes
- b) an extensive tract of land? No

Is there public access to the site? \* YES

Would the site provide the public with amenity value without public access? N/A

# Summary and recommendations:

This is an important green space and contributes to the quality of the environment for those that live in these streets. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space

# Site Assessment Form (Green Space)

Completed by: WJP Date: 24.3.18

Site Name / Ref: Railway Buffer zone. SP 11460 44820

Site Address: End of Churchward Close, Stephenson's Way Est

Site Area: 3173.1 Sq mts

#### Description/ Overview



**Current Use:** As Buffer Zone between houses & Railway

**Designations (Conservation Area/ Significant Gap etc):** Public Footpath

- 1. Is the green space in reasonably close proximity (walking distance) to the community it serves? \* YES
- 2. Is the green space demonstrably special to the local community and hold a particular local significance?
- a) Are there significant views from the local area into or across the site? \* NO
- b) Does the site afford the public with significant views out into the wider countryside? \*NO
- c) Does the site have special historic significance or features? \* NO
- **d) Does the site have recreational value?** Public Footpath connects other areas with Station & out into wider footpath network
- e) Is the site particularly tranquil? \* NO
- f) Does the site have ecological value, trees, wildlife or habitat?
- \* YES Part of ground is an embankment & this has shrubs along its length. There is also a separate enclosed area of shrubs
- g) Does the site form a significant green break within the settlement? \*No
- h) Are there other reasons that make the site special to local people? \* No
- i) Is there evidence demonstrating that the site is special to local people? \* No, but Well maintained
- 3. Is the green area:
- a) local in character? \* Yes
- b) an extensive tract of land? No

Is there public access to the site? \* YES

Would the site provide the public with amenity value without public access? \* No

#### Summary and recommendations:

Not demonstrably special. Unknown level of use. Therefore not recommended to designate.

# Site Assessment Form (Green Space)

Completed by: WJP Date: 5.4.18

Site Name / Ref: HBY 13 Green Close Bungalows. SP 11186 43814 689

**Site Address:** Green Close Honeybourne

Site Area: 262 Sq Mts

Description/ Overview



Current Use: Grassed area in front of bungalows
Designations (Conservation Area/ Significant Gap etc):

- 1. Is the green space in reasonably close proximity (walking distance) to the community it serves? Yes
- 2. Is the green space demonstrably special to the local community and hold a particular local significance? Yes it is the open space in front of bungalows
- a) Are there significant views from the local area into or across the site?\* No
- b) Does the site afford the public with significant views out into the wider countryside? \* No
- c) Does the site have special historic significance or features? \* No
- d) Does the site have recreational value? \* Yes, a small green area
- e) Is the site particularly tranquil? To the residents that surround the green It may be considered tranquil
- f) Does the site have ecological value, trees, wildlife or habitat? \* A mature tree nearby
- g) Does the site form a significant green break within the settlement?

\* By virtue of the fact that bungalows overlook the green

# h) Are there other reasons that make the site special to local people?

**YES** The bungalows that surround this area and overlook it feel it is special to them

- i) Is there evidence demonstrating that the site is special to local people? Raised in questionnaire
- 3. Is the green area:
- a) local in character? YES
- b) an extensive tract of land?

Nο

#### Is there public access to the site? \*Yes

Would the site provide the public with amenity value without public access?

\* No

#### Summary and recommendations:

A small grassed area in front of bungalows (owned by Rooftop Housing) and would be considered too small for anything other than a green space

## **Site Assessment Form (Green Space)**

Completed by: WJP Date:27/4/18

Site Name / Ref: HBY 14 The Allotments. Grid SP 12785 43986

Site Address: Mickleton Lane Honeybourne

Site Area: 12000 sq mts. 1.2HA



Current Use: Only part of this field is used for Allotments & is fenced in to show the Allotment area

**Designations (Conservation Area/ Significant Gap etc):** 

- 1. Is the green space in reasonably close proximity (walking distance) to the community it serves? Yes, Approximately .75km
- 2. Is the green space demonstrably special to the local community and hold a particular local significance?
- a) Are there significant views from the local area into or across the site?
- \* Yes to the allotments holders
- b) Does the site afford the public with significant views out into the wider countryside?
- \* There are some views over adjoining fields

- c) Does the site have special historic significance or features? \* No
- d) Does the site have recreational value? \* Yes. Is used by villagers for growing fruit & veg
- e) Is the site particularly tranquil? \* Yes, until a train comes along the nearby railway line
- **f) Does the site have ecological value, trees, wildlife or habitat?** \* Yes Boarded on 3 sides by mature hedges good bird nesting sites
- g) Does the site form a significant green break within the settlement? \* No
- h) Are there other reasons that make the site special to local people? \* Yes, the fact that they are able to grow their own fresh veg & fruit
- i) Is there evidence demonstrating that the site is special to local people? \* Yes, they have fenced their plots & put up sheds
- 3. Is the green area:
- a) local in character? \* Yes
- b) an extensive tract of land?

\* No

Is there public access to the site? \* Yes

Would the site provide the public with amenity value without public access? \* No

#### Summary and recommendations:

Villagers requested land was made available for allotments. Leased by the PC for this use. Land is significantly important to the village. Recommend to designate as Local Green Space

# **Appendix 4 Maps of sites**

