

LOCAL GREEN SPACE DESIGNATIONS

Site Assessment Form

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

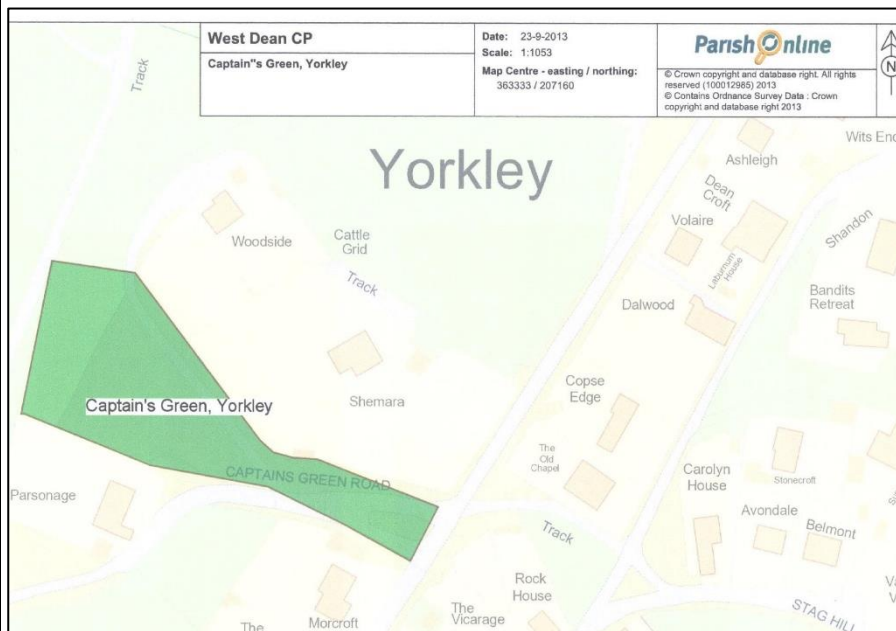
1.5 Name and address or grid reference of site

The site should lie within the Neighbourhood Plan area boundary and it must be of significance to some or all of the residents within your parish/community

Captains Green, Yorkley. GR SO64157 07522

1.6 Site location plan

The boundaries of the site must be clearly identified and must show the location of the site.



Captain's Green was bought 17/3/97

Area is 0.38 ha

1.7 Ownership of site (if known)

West Dean Parish Council (part) rest managed by Forest England

1.8 Photographs of site (if available)



general view



Old Church converted to private house

Aerial view

2. EVIDENCE TO SHOW THE SITE IS DEMONSTRABLY SPECIAL TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
2.1 How was this site identified as being special?	
This area is traditionally been used for a recreation area for over 100 years. It is adjacent and part of the Statutory Forest of Dean	
2.2 Is there evidence of support from other local community groups or individuals? Please submit letters of support, petitions, surveys etc. (where relevant)	

3. EVIDENCE TO SHOW THE SITE IS LOCAL IN CHARACTER	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
3.1 Who would the Local Green Space serve? Does the site serve the whole village/town, a particular geographical area or group of people?	
Serves all the community as an open space	
3.2 How far is the site from the community it serves? A map showing the nearest and furthest distances could evidence this.	
(photos in 1.6 and 1.8)	
3.3 Are there any barriers to the local community accessing the site from their homes? Is the site open to public access? Is access to the site necessary to benefit from the site? Are there any physical barriers such as a main road or railway line and if so, how are these overcome?	
No, It is open ground	
3.4 How does the site relate to the local area? Does the site feel part of the local area? Why? How does it connect physically, visually and socially to the area? What is your evidence?	
<i>The site is integral to the community, is part of the landscape and contributes to the enjoyment of the area for exercise and social activity.</i>	
3.5 Is the site an extensive tract of land? How large is the site in comparison to the community it serves and areas of land in the vicinity? Does the site feel extensive? Does the site surround all or part of village/ town/local area?	
The area is situated to the north of the property which was built in 1930 as the parsonage for an intended church and was later converted to accommodate a mission church. It was converted to a private residence in 1991 but the tract of land to the north of the building and that part leading to Lower Road was retained as consecrated ground as a burial ground. It was never used and was taken over by West Dean Parish Council on 17/3/1997. It is on the edge of the village adjoining statutory woodland.	

3.6 How has the size of the site been decided? Does the site follow natural features or existing constraints? Does the whole site justify designation or could a section of the site be designated?	
<i>Sites is naturally constrained by minor roads on one side and ancient woodland.</i>	
3.7 Is there a need for Local Green Space in this location? Is there a shortage of accessible green space in the area? Is there evidence of a need?	
The site sits at the edge of the village and within the Statutory Forest of Dean. With access to open woodland there is not a shortage of accessible open space	

4. PLANNING HISTORY	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
4.1 Is there currently a planning application for this site? Could part of the site still be used as a Local Green Space? To check if a planning application has been made visit https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-permission/view-planning-applications/	
No - it is designated as open space in the Local Authority Allocations Plan	Yes page nr?
4.2 Was the site considered as part of the most recent Forest of Dean Strategic Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment? If yes, could part of the site still be used as a Local Green Space? https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/strategic-housing-land-availability-assessment/	
Yes –	Allocation Plan Section p

5. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS BEAUTY? If “no”, continue to section 6	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
5.1 Describe why the community feels that the site has a particular local significance for its beauty.	

The sites is integral to the communities they serve and is part of the village's character	
5.2 Site visibility Is the site visible from a public place? Are there views of the site from any keylocations?	
Yes – see photos in 1.6 and 1.8	
5.3 Is the site covered by any landscape or similar designations? Conservation Areas, Special Landscape Area etc.	
It is within the Statutory Forest of Dean Boundary	
5.4 Is the site (or type of landscape) specifically mentioned in any relevant landscape character assessments or similar documents? Landscape character assessments and conservation area appraisals can be viewed here: https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/landscape-character-assessment/ and here: https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/historic-buildings-and-conservation-areas/conservation-area-maps-and-appraisals/	
Yes	See allocations plan Section
5.5 Does the site bring interest from further afield to the local area? Is the site used in tourism brochures? Does it feature in well-known paintings or poems?	

6. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE? If "no", continue to section 7	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
6.1 Are there any historic buildings, features or remains on the site? For example, listed buildings, scheduled ancient monuments, war memorials etc.	

6.2 Are there any historic landscape features on the site? For example, old hedgerows, ancient trees, historic ponds, historic garden features	
6.3 Did the site play an important role in the historic development of the village or town? For example, part of the grounds for the manor house, site of an old railway station, village green	
6.4 Did any important historic events take place on the site?	
6.5 Is there a long-standing event which takes place on the site? For example, well-dressing, maypole dancing, market	

7. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS RECREATIONAL VALUE? If "no", continue to section 8	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
7.1 Is the site used for playing sport? Which sport? Is this sports provision free or is club membership required?	
7.2 Is the site used for informal recreation? For example dog-walking. If so, since when?	
Yes. Children's play, recreational walking, dog walking, for over 100 years.	

8. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS TRANQUILLITY? If "no", continue to section 9	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
8.1 Is the site within a recognised tranquil area? CPRE have produced a tranquillity map which can be accessed at https://www.cpre.org.uk/resources/tranquillity-map-england/	
It is part of the ancient Forest of Dean	

<p>8.2 Why is the site considered to be tranquil? What features make it feel tranquil? Does it enhance the feeling of tranquillity within the local area? Does it provide an area of tranquillity within a busy setting?</p>	
<p>It is part recreational open space for the community and wider area.</p>	

<p>9. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS RICHNESS OF WILDLIFE? If "no", continue to section 10</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>9.1 Is the site formally designated for its wildlife value? Internationally and Nationally designated sites: Special Area of Conservation, Special Protection Areas or Sites of Special Scientific Interest Local designation sites: Site of Importance for Nature Conservation, Local Nature Reserves etc. To see if your site is designated visit www.magic.gov.uk</p>	
<p>9.2 Are any important habitats or species found on the site? These include all species of bats, breeding birds, barn owls, great crested newts, water voles, otters, white clawed crayfish and badgers. For further information on priority habitats and species please see the Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust website: https://www.gloucestershirewildlifetrust.co.uk/</p>	
<p>Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust interactive maps shows the location as being on the edge of the ancient woodland with high incidence for wildlife connectivity.</p>	
<p>9.3 What other wildlife of interest has been found on the site?</p>	

10. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE FOR ANY OTHER REASON? No. If “no”, you have completed the submission form	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
10.1 What are the other reasons which make the site significant for the local community? Is the site a focal point or stopping place? Does it provide key views across or looking out of the local area?	
10.2 What features make this site important?	
All the above...	

11. SUMMARY / CONCLUSIONS	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
11.1 Is the site demonstrably special to the local community?	
Yes	CA sheet
11.2 Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves?	
Yes	See maps above
11.3 Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	
Yes	
11.4 Does the site hold particular local significance because of... (tick all that apply)	
Its beauty	Yes
Its historic significance	Yes
Its recreational value	Yes
Its tranquillity	Yes
Its richness of wildlife	Yes
Another reason – Its value to the local community	YES
11.5 In light of the above assessment, should this site be designated as a Local Green Space? (i.e. have you answered ‘yes’ to 11.1-11.4 above)	
Yes, the site should be designated as a Local Green Space	

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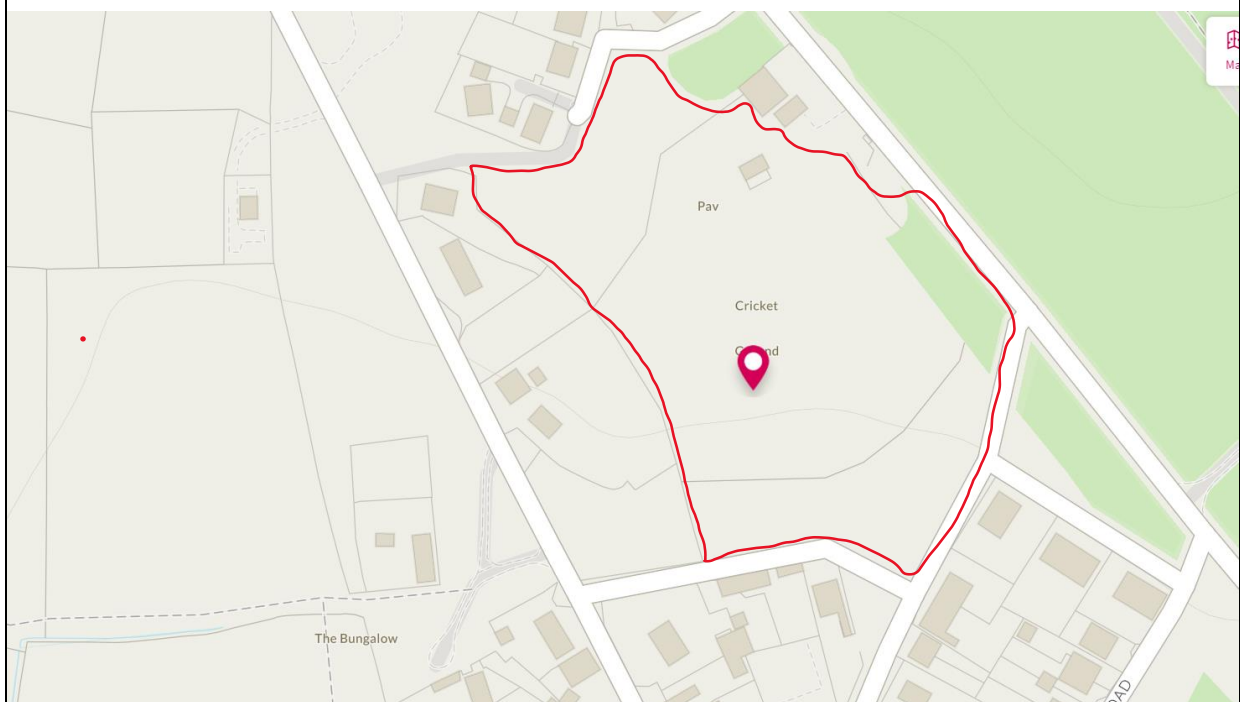
1.5 Name and address or grid reference of site

The site should lie within the Neighbourhood Plan area boundary and it must be of significance to some or all of the residents within your parish/community

Cut and Fry field, Oldcroft Grid Reference: SO64438 06710

1.6 Site location plan

The boundaries of the site must be clearly identified and must show the location of the site.



Cut and Fry Field (from OS maps)

1.7 Ownership of site (if known)

Ownership is un-clear – but the area is cared for by the trustees of Yorkley Star CC

1.8 Photographs of site (if available)



Looking south towards Cut and Fry Road 1

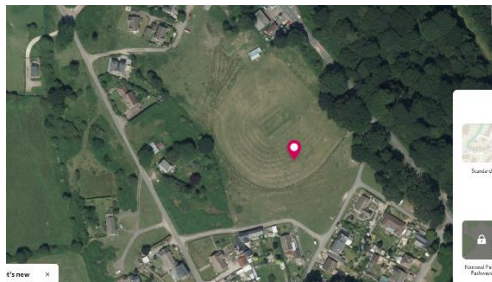


Figure 1 Aerial View (from OS)



<p>2. EVIDENCE TO SHOW THE SITE IS DEMONSTRABLY SPECIAL TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>2.1 How was this site identified as being special?</p>	
<p>This area is traditionally been used for a recreation area for over 100 years. It is home to Yorkley Star CC who look after it, have arranged for boar proof fencing to be erected.</p>	
<p>2.2 Is there evidence of support from other local community groups or individuals? Please submit letters of support, petitions, surveys etc. (where relevant)</p>	

3. EVIDENCE TO SHOW THE SITE IS LOCAL IN CHARACTER	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
3.1 Who would the Local Green Space serve? Does the site serve the whole village/town, a particular geographical area or group of people?	
Serves all the community as a space to walk, exercise dogs, children's play area and is home to the village the cricket club.	
3.2 How far is the site from the community it serves? A map showing the nearest and furthest distances could evidence this.	
It is on the border between Yorkley and Oldcroft, The community have homes on three sides immediately adjacent and the link to the A48 forms the forth side. (See location map and photos in 1.6 and 1.8)	
3.3 Are there any barriers to the local community accessing the site from their homes? Is the site open to public access? Is access to the site necessary to benefit from the site? Are there any physical barriers such as a main road or railway line and if so, how are these overcome?	
No barriers other than the anti-boar fence to the cricket outfield which has five(gates) as points of access.	
3.4 How does the site relate to the local area? Does the site feel part of the local area? Why? How does it connect physically, visually and socially to the area? What is your evidence?	
The site is integral to the community is part of the landscape and contribute to the enjoyment of the area for exercise and social activity.	
3.5 Is the site an extensive tract of land? How large is the site in comparison to the community it serves and areas of land in the vicinity? Does the site feel extensive? Does the site surround all or part of village/ town/local area?	
The area is a generous size, large enough to accommodate the cricket outfield with as much ground again. In total measured at 2.34Ha.	
3.6 How has the size of the site been decided? Does the site follow natural features or existing constraints? Does the whole site justify designation or could a section of the site be designated?	


Sites is naturally constrained by minor roads on three sides and property boundary on the fourth.	
3.7 Is there a need for Local Green Space in this location? Is there a shortage of accessible green space in the area? Is there evidence of a need?	
The site sits within the Statutory Forest of Dean. As such there is not a need for open space but is an integral part of the settlement landscape.	

4. PLANNING HISTORY	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
4.1 Is there currently a planning application for this site? Could part of the site still be used as a Local Green Space? To check if a planning application has been made visit https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-permission/view-planning-applications/	
No - it is designated as open space in the Local Authority Allocations Plan	Yes page nr?
4.2 Was the site considered as part of the most recent Forest of Dean Strategic Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment? If yes, could part of the site still be used as a Local Green Space? https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/strategic-housing-land-availability-assessment/	
Yes –	Allocation Plan Section 33 p 248-249

5. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS BEAUTY? If “no”, continue to section 6	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
5.1 Describe why the community feels that the site has a particular local significance for its beauty.	
The sites is integral to the communities they serve and part of the village/hamlet character	

5.2 Site visibility Is the site visible from a public place? Are there views of the site from any keylocations?	
Yes – see photos in 1.6 and 1.8	
5.3 Is the site covered by any landscape or similar designations? Conservation Areas, Special Landscape Area etc.	
It is within the Statutory Forest of Dean Boundary	
5.4 Is the site (or type of landscape) specifically mentioned in any relevant landscape character assessments or similar documents? Landscape character assessments and conservation area appraisals can be viewed here: https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/landscape-character-assessment/ and here: https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/historic-buildings-and-conservation-areas/conservation-area-maps-and-appraisals/	
Yes	See allocations plan Section 33 p 248 -249
5.5 Does the site bring interest from further afield to the local area? Is the site used in tourism brochures? Does it feature in well-known paintings or poems?	
No	

6. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE? If “no”, continue to section 7	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
6.1 Are there any historic buildings, features or remains on the site? For example, listed buildings, scheduled ancient monuments, war memorials etc.	
No	

6.2 Are there any historic landscape features on the site? For example, old hedgerows, ancient trees, historic ponds, historic garden features		
	Surrounded by statutory Forest with ancient oaks on the boundary,	
6.3 Did the site play an important role in the historic development of the village or town? For example, part of the grounds for the manor house, site of an old railway station, village green		
Yes. On the one edge there is a waste tip from a 19C mine workings.		
6.4 Did any important historic events take place on the site?		
No		
6.5 Is there a long-standing event which takes place on the site? For example, well-dressing, maypole dancing, market		
No		

7. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS RECREATIONAL VALUE? If "no", continue to section 8	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
7.1 Is the site used for playing sport? Which sport? Is this sports provision free or is club membership required?	
1, Cricket (membership of Yorkley Star CC)	
7.2 Is the site used for informal recreation? For example dog-walking. If so, since when?	
Yes. Children's play, recreational walking, dog walking, for over 100 years.	

<p>8. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS TRANQUILLITY? If “no”, continue to section 9</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>8.1 Is the site within a recognised tranquil area? CPRE have produced a tranquillity map which can be accessed at https://www.cpre.org.uk/resources/tranquillity-map-england/</p>	
<p>It is part of the ancient Forest of Dean</p>	
<p>8.2 Why is the site considered to be tranquil? What features make it feel tranquil? Does it enhance the feeling of tranquillity within the local area? Does it provide an area of tranquillity within a busy setting?</p>	
<p>It is a recreational open space between two communities, bordered by ancient woodland with only local traffic on its boundaries.</p>	

<p>9. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS RICHNESS OF WILDLIFE? If “no”, continue to section 10</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>9.1 Is the site formally designated for its wildlife value? Internationally and Nationally designated sites: Special Area of Conservation, Special Protection Areas or Sites of Special Scientific Interest Local designation sites: Site of Importance for Nature Conservation, Local Nature Reserves etc. To see if your site is designated visit www.magic.gov.uk</p>	
<p>No</p>	
<p>9.2 Are any important habitats or species found on the site? These include all species of bats, breeding birds, barn owls, great crested newts, water voles, otters, white clawed crayfish and badgers. For further information on priority habitats and species please see the Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust website: https://www.gloucestershirewildlifetrust.co.uk/</p>	
<p>Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust interactive maps shows the location as being on the edge of the ancient woodland with high incidence for wildlife connectivity.</p>	

9.3 What other wildlife of interest has been found on the site?	

10. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE FOR ANY OTHER REASON? If "no", you have completed the submission form	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
10.1 What are the other reasons which make the site significant for the local community? Is the site a focal point or stopping place? Does it provide key views across or looking out of the local area?	
10.2 What features make this site important?	

11. SUMMARY / CONCLUSIONS	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
11.1 Is the site demonstrably special to the local community?	
Yes	CA sheet
11.2 Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves?	
Yes	See maps above
11.3 Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	
Yes	
11.4 Does the site hold particular local significance because of... (tick all that apply)	
Its beauty	
Its historic significance	Yes
Its recreational value	Yes
Its tranquillity	Yes
Its richness of wildlife	
Another reason – Its value to the local community	YES
11.5 In light of the above assessment, should this site be designated as a Local Green Space? (i.e. have you answered 'yes' to 11.1-11.4 above)	

Yes, the site should be designated as a Local Green Space	

LOCAL GREEN SPACE DESIGNATIONS

Site Assessment Form

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

1.5 Name and address or grid reference of site

The site should lie within the Neighbourhood Plan area boundary and it must be of significance to some or all of the residents within your parish/community

Parkend Allotments
Church Drive, Parkend GL15 4HJ

1.6 Site location plan

The boundaries of the site must be clearly identified and must show the location of the site.



Parkend Allotments next to St Paul's Church, Parkend
(from Parish Online)

1.7 Ownership of site (if known)

Owned by the Parochial Church Council of the United Parish of Parkend and Viney Hill and leased to Parkend and Whitecroft Allotment Society

1.8 Photographs of site (if available)



*Parkend Allotments from
Church Drive*

2. EVIDENCE TO SHOW THE SITE IS DEMONSTRABLY SPECIAL TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
2.1 How was this site identified as being special?	
This land is leased to the Forest of Dean Allotments Association for community food growing	
2.2 Is there evidence of support from other local community groups or individuals? Please submit letters of support, petitions, surveys etc. (where relevant)	
Email from Parochial Church Council of the United Parish of Parkend and Viney Hill giving permission to add this as an important Green Open Space.	

3. EVIDENCE TO SHOW THE SITE IS LOCAL IN CHARACTER	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
3.1 Who would the Local Green Space serve? Does the site serve the whole village/town, a particular geographical area or group of people?	
Serves all the community with open membership in the local area.	
3.2 How far is the site from the community it serves? A map showing the nearest and furthest distances could evidence this.	
It is next to the village church with houses on the approach road and down to the central village.	
3.3 Are there any barriers to the local community accessing the site from their homes? Is the site open to public access? Is access to the site necessary to benefit from the site? Are there any physical barriers such as a main road or railway line and if so, how are these overcome?	
The site is fenced on three sides with an entrance gate on Church Drive. It shares a stone wall boundary with the church on the other side. It is surrounded by statutory forest.	
3.4 How does the site relate to the local area? Does the site feel part of the local area? Why? How does it connect physically, visually and socially to the area? What is your evidence?	

The site is integral to the community is part of the landscape and contribute to the enjoyment of the area for exercise and social activity.	
3.5 Is the site an extensive tract of land? How large is the site in comparison to the community it serves and areas of land in the vicinity? Does the site feel extensive? Does the site surround all or part of village/ town/local area?	
The area is approx. 0.2 Ha divided into plots of differing sizes which can be rented by the community. It is not a large area but appreciated by the residents	
3.6 How has the size of the site been decided? Does the site follow natural features or existing constraints? Does the whole site justify designation or could a section of the site be designated?	
Site is constrained by the boundary fencing as determined by the church and also by the road.	
3.7 Is there a need for Local Green Space in this location? Is there a shortage of accessible green space in the area? Is there evidence of a need?	
The site sits within the Statutory Forest of Dean but this is an important open space for food production.	

4. PLANNING HISTORY	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
4.1 Is there currently a planning application for this site? Could part of the site still be used as a Local Green Space? To check if a planning application has been made visit https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-permission/view-planning-applications/	
No	
4.2 Was the site considered as part of the most recent Forest of Dean Strategic Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment? If yes, could part of the site still be used as a Local Green Space? https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/strategic-housing-land-availability-assessment/	
No	

<p>5. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS BEAUTY? If “no”, continue to section 6</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>5.1 Describe why the community feels that the site has a particular local significance for its beauty.</p>	
<p>No</p>	
<p>5.2 Site visibility Is the site visible from a public place? Are there views of the site from any key locations?</p>	
<p>5.3 Is the site covered by any landscape or similar designations? Conservation Areas, Special Landscape Area etc.</p>	
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<p>6.1 Are there any historic buildings, features or remains on the site? For example, listed buildings, scheduled ancient monuments, war memorials etc.</p>	
<p>Next to Grade 2 listed church and also Grade 2 Old Vicarage</p>	
<p>6.2 Are there any historic landscape features on the site? For example, old hedgerows, ancient trees, historic ponds, historic garden features</p>	

No	
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6.3 Did the site play an important role in the historic development of the village or town? For example, part of the grounds for the manor house, site of an old railway station, village green	
No	
6.4 Did any important historic events take place on the site?	
No	
6.5 Is there a long-standing event which takes place on the site? For example, well-dressing, maypole dancing, market	
No	

7. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS RECREATIONAL VALUE? If "no", continue to section 8	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
7.1 Is the site used for playing sport? Which sport? Is this sports provision free or is club membership required?	
7.2 Is the site used for informal recreation? For example dog-walking. If so, since when?	
Yes. Gardening and social interaction	

8. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS TRANQUILLITY? If "no", continue to section 9	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
8.1 Is the site within a recognised tranquil area? CPRE have produced a tranquillity map which can be accessed at https://www.cpre.org.uk/resources/tranquillity-map-england/	
It is part of the ancient Forest of Dean	
8.2 Why is the site considered to be tranquil? What features make it feel tranquil? Does it enhance the feeling of tranquillity within the local area? Does it provide an area of tranquillity within a busy setting?	

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<p>No</p>	
<p>10.2 What features make this site important?</p>	

11. SUMMARY / CONCLUSIONS	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
11.1 Is the site demonstrably special to the local community?	
Yes	Emails from Parochial Church.
11.2 Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves?	
Yes	See maps above
11.3 Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	
Yes	
11.4 Does the site hold particular local significance because of... (tick all that apply)	
Its beauty	
Its historic significance	
Its recreational value	Yes
Its tranquillity	
Its richness of wildlife	
Another reason	
11.5 In light of the above assessment, should this site be designated as a Local Green Space? (i.e. have you answered 'yes' to 11.1-11.4 above)	
Yes, the site should be designated as a Local Green Space	

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1.5 Name and address or grid reference of site

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Parkend Sportsfield GL15 4JA
Fronting Folly Rd and bordered by New Rd and Crown Lane, Parkend

1.6 Site location plan

The boundaries of the site must be clearly identified and must show the location of the site.



Parkend Sportsfield (from Parish Online)

1.7 Ownership of site (if known)

Crown Land managed by Forestry England and leased to Parkend Memorial Hall and Recreation Scheme.

1.8 Photographs of site (if available)



Figure 1 from Crown Lane towards Folly Rd



Figure 2 from New Rd towards Folly Rd



Figure 3 from corner of Crown Lane and Folly Rd



Figure 4 public toilets and rear of pavilion

2. EVIDENCE TO SHOW THE SITE IS DEMONSTRABLY SPECIAL TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
2.1 How was this site identified as being special?	
This land was historically Tin Works but shown as disused on 1878 Parkend map. It has been used as the main sportsfield for many years; predominantly by Parkend Cricket Club but is also used by Parkend Carnival and other village events.	



2.2 Is there evidence of support from other local community groups or individuals? Please submit letters of support, petitions, surveys etc. (where relevant)	
Parkend new opportunities survey 2022 - Community garden/orchard Emails from Forestry England and Memorial Hall giving permission to add this as an important Green Open Space.	

3. EVIDENCE TO SHOW THE SITE IS LOCAL IN CHARACTER	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
3.1 Who would the Local Green Space serve? Does the site serve the whole village/town, a particular geographical area or group of people?	
Serves all the community as Crown Estate land leased to the village through the Parkend Memorial Hall and Recreation Scheme charity.	
3.2 How far is the site from the community it serves? A map showing the nearest and furthest distances could evidence this.	
It is within the central part of the village near the Memorial Hall and other local amenities. It has housing on three sides (on opposite side of road)	
3.3 Are there any barriers to the local community accessing the site from their homes? Is the site open to public access? Is access to the site necessary to benefit from the site? Are there any physical barriers such as a main road or railway line and if so, how are these overcome?	
The site has public access from three sides using gates/stile. Fencing on all sides to keep the wild animals out.	
3.4 How does the site relate to the local area? Does the site feel part of the local area? Why? How does it connect physically, visually and socially to the area? What is your evidence?	
The site is integral to the community is part of the landscape and contribute to the enjoyment of the area for exercise and social activity.	
3.5 Is the site an extensive tract of land? How large is the site in comparison to the community it serves and areas of land in the vicinity? Does the site feel extensive? Does the site surround all or part of village/ town/local area?	
The area is approx. 1.5 Ha laid to lawn and kept to cricket pitch standard. It is a large area much loved by the village over many generations.	

3.6 How has the size of the site been decided? Does the site follow natural features or existing constraints? Does the whole site justify designation or could a section of the site be designated?	
Site is naturally constrained by the boundary fencing bordering the roads	
3.7 Is there a need for Local Green Space in this location? Is there a shortage of accessible green space in the area? Is there evidence of a need?	
The site sits within the Statutory Forest of Dean but this is a level open space and is an integral part of the settlement landscape.	

4. PLANNING HISTORY	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
4.1 Is there currently a planning application for this site? Could part of the site still be used as a Local Green Space? To check if a planning application has been made visit https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-permission/view-planning-applications/	
No	
4.2 Was the site considered as part of the most recent Forest of Dean Strategic Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment? If yes, could part of the site still be used as a Local Green Space? https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/strategic-housing-land-availability-assessment/	
No	

5. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS BEAUTY? If "no", continue to section 6	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
5.1 Describe why the community feels that the site has a particular local significance for its beauty.	
Yes because it gives a sense of open space with views across the forest and this character of the land gives enjoyment to local people.	

<p>5.2 Site visibility Is the site visible from a public place? Are there views of the site from any key locations?</p>	
	<p>Yes from York Lodge fields over the sportsfield</p>
<p>Yes from Crown Lane over the sportsfield</p>	
<p>5.3 Is the site covered by any landscape or similar designations? Conservation Areas, Special Landscape Area etc.</p>	
<p>It is within the Statutory Forest of Dean Boundary</p>	
<p>5.4 Is the site (or type of landscape) specifically mentioned in any relevant landscape character assessments or similar documents? Landscape character assessments and conservation area appraisals can be viewed here: https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/landscape-character-assessment/ and here: https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/historic-buildings-and-conservation-areas/conservation-area-maps-and-appraisals/</p>	
	<p>See allocations plan</p>
<p>5.5 Does the site bring interest from further afield to the local area? Is the site used in tourism brochures? Does it feature in well-known paintings or poems?</p>	
<p>Yes – cricket matches, carnival, carboot sales, tourism information about the village</p>	

<p>6. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE? If “no”, continue to section 7</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
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6.1 Are there any historic buildings, features or remains on the site? For example, listed buildings, scheduled ancient monuments, war memorials etc.	
No	
6.2 Are there any historic landscape features on the site? For example, old hedgerows, ancient trees, historic ponds, historic garden features	
Statutory Forest on one side with yew and plane trees.	

6.3 Did the site play an important role in the historic development of the village or town? For example, part of the grounds for the manor house, site of an old railway station, village green	
Yes – site of Tin Works	
6.4 Did any important historic events take place on the site?	
No	
6.5 Is there a long-standing event which takes place on the site? For example, well-dressing, maypole dancing, market	
Yes – Parkend Carnival	

7. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS RECREATIONAL VALUE? If “no”, continue to section 8	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
7.1 Is the site used for playing sport? Which sport? Is this sports provision free or is club membership required?	
Yes Cricket with membership fees.	
7.2 Is the site used for informal recreation? For example dog-walking. If so, since when?	
Yes. Walking and dog walking. Also visiting school groups staying at Dean Field Study Centre use it for play sessions.	

8. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS TRANQUILLITY? If “no”, continue to section 9	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
8.1 Is the site within a recognised tranquil area? CPRE have produced a tranquillity map which can be accessed at https://www.cpre.org.uk/resources/tranquillity-map-england/	
It is part of the ancient Forest of Dean	

8.2 Why is the site considered to be tranquil? What features make it feel tranquil? Does it enhance the feeling of tranquillity within the local area? Does it provide an area of tranquillity within a busy setting?	

9. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS RICHNESS OF WILDLIFE? If "no", continue to section 10	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
9.1 Is the site formally designated for its wildlife value? Internationally and Nationally designated sites: Special Area of Conservation, Special Protection Areas or Sites of Special Scientific Interest Local designation sites: Site of Importance for Nature Conservation, Local Nature Reserves etc. To see if your site is designated visit www.magic.gov.uk	
No	
9.2 Are any important habitats or species found on the site? These include all species of bats, breeding birds, barn owls, great crested newts, water voles, otters, white clawed crayfish and badgers. For further information on priority habitats and species please see the Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust website: https://www.gloucestershirewildlifetrust.co.uk/	
Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust interactive maps shows the location as being on the edge of the ancient woodland with high incidence for wildlife connectivity.	
9.3 What other wildlife of interest has been found on the site?	

10. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE FOR ANY OTHER REASON? If "no", you have completed the submission form	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
10.1 What are the other reasons which make the site significant for the local community? Is the site a focal point or stopping place? Does it provide key views across or looking out of the local area?	
It is a focal point in the centre of the village	
10.2 What features make this site important?	

Village cricket, well-kept flat grassed area, safe enclosed space for families.	
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11. SUMMARY / CONCLUSIONS	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
11.1 Is the site demonstrably special to the local community?	
Yes	Emails from Memorial Hall trustees and Forestry England.
11.2 Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves?	
Yes	See maps above
11.3 Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	
Yes	
11.4 Does the site hold particular local significance because of... (tick all that apply)	
Its beauty	
Its historic significance	Yes
Its recreational value	Yes
Its tranquillity	
Its richness of wildlife	
Another reason	
11.5 In light of the above assessment, should this site be designated as a Local Green Space? (i.e. have you answered 'yes' to 11.1-11.4 above)	
Yes, the site should be designated as a Local Green Space	

LOCAL GREEN SPACE DESIGNATIONS

Site Assessment Form

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

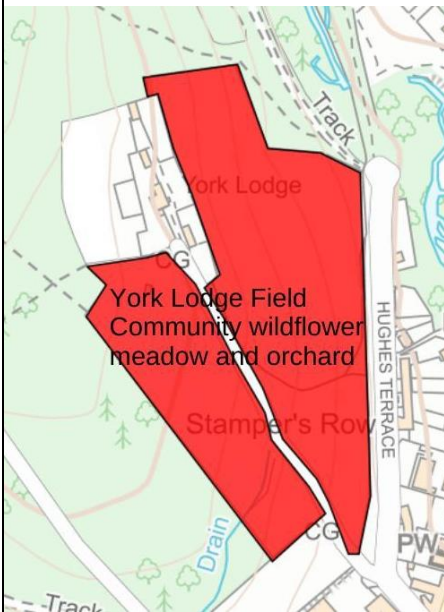
1.5 Name and address or grid reference of site

The site should lie within the Neighbourhood Plan area boundary and it must be of significance to some or all of the residents within your parish/community

York Lodge Fields GL15 4JH
Between York Lodge and Hughes Terrace, Parkend

1.6 Site location plan

The boundaries of the site must be clearly identified and must show the location of the site.



York Lodge Fields (from Parish Online)

1.7 Ownership of site (if known)

Crown Land managed by Forestry England.

Forestry England should soon be issuing a licence for West Dean Parish Council to take on responsibility for the land on behalf of the Parkend Community Orchard Project.

1.8 Photographs of site (if available)



Figure 2 from York Lodge driveway to sawmill



Figure 3 towards York Lodge from sawmill



Figure 3 from sawmill towards York Lodge

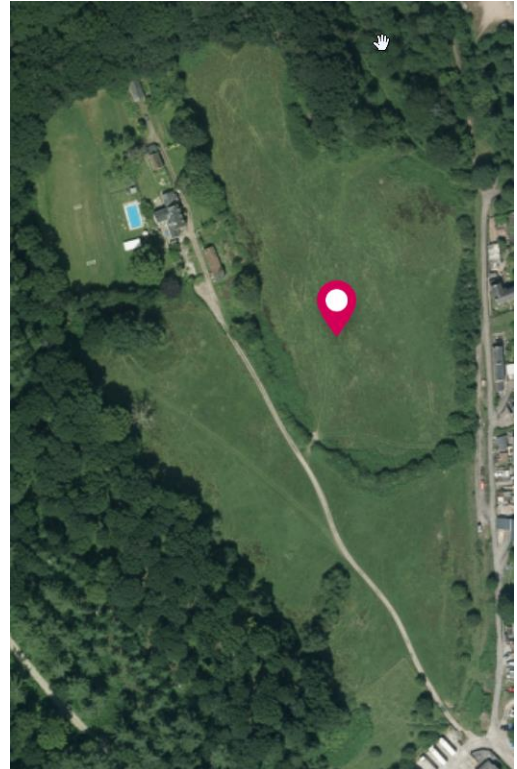


Figure 2 Aerial view from OS Maps



Figure 4 view from York Lodge fields towards Hughes Terrace

2. EVIDENCE TO SHOW THE SITE IS DEMONSTRABLY SPECIAL TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
2.1 How was this site identified as being special?	
This area is traditionally been used for a grazing for many years and has been seen as important agricultural land within the village bordering RSPB Nagshead. It will soon become home to a community orchard and wildflower meadow for the whole community with stock proof fencing maintained around the boundary.	


2.2 Is there evidence of support from other local community groups or individuals? Please submit letters of support, petitions, surveys etc. (where relevant)	
Parkend new opportunities survey 2022 - Community garden/orchard	

3. EVIDENCE TO SHOW THE SITE IS LOCAL IN CHARACTER	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
3.1 Who would the Local Green Space serve? Does the site serve the whole village/town, a particular geographical area or group of people?	
Serves all the community as Crown Estate public access land. This will increase importance as the wildflower meadow and community orchard are developed.	
3.2 How far is the site from the community it serves? A map showing the nearest and furthest distances could evidence this.	
It is within the central part of the village near the sportsfield and the Memorial Hall, The community have homes on two sides immediately adjacent (See location map and photos in 1.6 and 1.8)	
3.3 Are there any barriers to the local community accessing the site from their homes? Is the site open to public access? Is access to the site necessary to benefit from the site? Are there any physical barriers such as a main road or railway line and if so, how are these overcome?	
The site has Crown Estate public access - no barriers.	
3.4 How does the site relate to the local area? Does the site feel part of the local area? Why? How does it connect physically, visually and socially to the area? What is your evidence?	
The site is integral to the community is part of the landscape and contribute to the enjoyment of the area for exercise and social activity.	
3.5 Is the site an extensive tract of land? How large is the site in comparison to the community it serves and areas of land in the vicinity? Does the site feel extensive? Does the site surround all or part of village/ town/local area?	
The area is approx. 10 acres or 4.07Ha over two large areas with plenty of space for wildflower meadow and orchard.	

3.6 How has the size of the site been decided? Does the site follow natural features or existing constraints? Does the whole site justify designation or could a section of the site be designated?	
Site is naturally constrained by the boundary fencing from RSPB Nagshead and Hughes Terrace access lane.	
3.7 Is there a need for Local Green Space in this location? Is there a shortage of accessible green space in the area? Is there evidence of a need?	
The site sits within the Statutory Forest of Dean. As such there is not a need for open space but is an integral part of the settlement landscape.	

4. PLANNING HISTORY	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
4.1 Is there currently a planning application for this site? Could part of the site still be used as a Local Green Space? To check if a planning application has been made visit https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-permission/view-planning-applications/	
No – it is outside the settlement boundary	FODDC Allocations Plan p 252
4.2 Was the site considered as part of the most recent Forest of Dean Strategic Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment? If yes, could part of the site still be used as a Local Green Space? https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/strategic-housing-land-availability-assessment/	
No	

5. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS BEAUTY? If “no”, continue to section 6	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
5.1 Describe why the community feels that the site has a particular local significance for its beauty.	
No but the open character of the land gives enjoyment to local people.	
5.2 Site visibility Is the site visible from a public place? Are there views of the site from any key locations?	

Yes from the Tumps towards York Lodge	Also from the sportsfield	
		
5.3 Is the site covered by any landscape or similar designations? Conservation Areas, Special Landscape Area etc.		
It is within the Statutory Forest of Dean Boundary		
5.4 Is the site (or type of landscape) specifically mentioned in any relevant landscape character assessments or similar documents? Landscape character assessments and conservation area appraisals can be viewed here: https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/landscape-character-assessment/ and here: https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/historic-buildings-and-conservation-areas/conservation-area-maps-and-appraisals/		
		See allocations plan
5.5 Does the site bring interest from further afield to the local area? Is the site used in tourism brochures? Does it feature in well-known paintings or poems?		
No		

6. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE? If “no”, continue to section 7	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
6.1 Are there any historic buildings, features or remains on the site? For example, listed buildings, scheduled ancient monuments, war memorials etc.	
Forestry deer store – now derelict	
6.2 Are there any historic landscape features on the site? For example, old hedgerows, ancient trees, historic ponds, historic garden features	
Surrounded by statutory Forest with ancient oaks and other trees on the boundary,	

6.3 Did the site play an important role in the historic development of the village or town? For example, part of the grounds for the manor house, site of an old railway station, village green	
No	
6.4 Did any important historic events take place on the site?	
No	
6.5 Is there a long-standing event which takes place on the site? For example, well-dressing, maypole dancing, market	
No	

7. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS RECREATIONAL VALUE? If "no", continue to section 8	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
7.1 Is the site used for playing sport? Which sport? Is this sports provision free or is club membership required?	
No	
7.2 Is the site used for informal recreation? For example dog-walking. If so, since when?	
Yes. Walking and dog walking within the last couple of years after the horses left the site.	

8. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS TRANQUILLITY? If "no", continue to section 9	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
8.1 Is the site within a recognised tranquil area? CPRE have produced a tranquillity map which can be accessed at https://www.cpre.org.uk/resources/tranquillity-map-england/	
It is part of the ancient Forest of Dean	
8.2 Why is the site considered to be tranquil? What features make it feel tranquil? Does it enhance the feeling of tranquillity within the local area? Does it provide an area of tranquillity within a busy setting?	
It is a large open space bordered by RSPB Nagshead and on the edge of the village. Only one access track to York Lodge.	


<p>9. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS RICHNESS OF WILDLIFE? If “no”, continue to section 10</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>9.1 Is the site formally designated for its wildlife value? Internationally and Nationally designated sites: Special Area of Conservation, Special Protection Areas or Sites of Special Scientific Interest Local designation sites: Site of Importance for Nature Conservation, Local Nature Reserves etc. To see if your site is designated visit www.magic.gov.uk</p>	
<p>No</p>	
<p>9.2 Are any important habitats or species found on the site? These include all species of bats, breeding birds, barn owls, great crested newts, water voles, otters, white clawed crayfish and badgers. For further information on priority habitats and species please see the Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust website: https://www.gloucestershirewildlifetrust.co.uk/</p>	
<p>Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust interactive maps shows the location as being on the edge of the ancient woodland with high incidence for wildlife connectivity.</p>	
<p>9.3 What other wildlife of interest has been found on the site?</p>	
<p>There is a maternity Lesser Horseshoe Bat colony in a neighbouring building that use this area for foraging.</p>	

<p>10. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE FOR ANY OTHER REASON? If “no”, you have completed the submission form</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>10.1 What are the other reasons which make the site significant for the local community? Is the site a focal point or stopping place? Does it provide key views across or looking out of the local area?</p>	
<p>It can be seen from higher areas across the valley and is an important non-forested area. See photos</p>	
<p>10.2 What features make this site important?</p>	
<p>Wildflowers, butterflies and insects, mixed hedgerow. Unimproved site giving link to the past.</p>	

11. SUMMARY / CONCLUSIONS	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
11.1 Is the site demonstrably special to the local community?	
Yes	New opportunities survey
11.2 Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves?	
Yes	See maps above
11.3 Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	
Yes	
11.4 Does the site hold particular local significance because of... (tick all that apply)	
Its beauty	
Its historic significance	Yes
Its recreational value	Yes
Its tranquillity	Yes
Its richness of wildlife	
Another reason	
11.5 In light of the above assessment, should this site be designated as a Local Green Space? (i.e. have you answered 'yes' to 11.1-11.4 above)	
Yes, the site should be designated as a Local Green Space	

LOCAL GREEN SPACE DESIGNATIONS

Site Assessment Form

1. GENERAL INFORMATION
1.5 Name and address or grid reference of site The site should lie within the Neighbourhood Plan area boundary and it must be of significance to some or all of the residents within your parish/community
Viney Hill Sports and Social Club and surrounding semi open woodland Grid Ref SO65177 06394
1.6 Site location plan The boundaries of the site must be clearly identified and must show the location of the site.

1.7 Ownership of site (if known) The Playing Field along with it's changing rooms and Social Club is managed by Viney Hill Football Club. The semi open ancient woodland surrounding it is under the care of Forest England.
1.8 Photographs of site (if available)



Aerial -



Football Club

From Church Walk to



*Semi open ancient woodland to west of
football field*

2. EVIDENCE TO SHOW THE SITE IS DEMONSTRABLY SPECIAL TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
2.1 How was this site identified as being special?	
This is a well known and well appreciated location within the local community. The Football Club is well supported, the woodland setting forms a buffer between Church Walk to the south and the scattered settlements of Oldcroft and Viney Hill.	
2.2 Is there evidence of support from other local community groups or individuals? Please submit letters of support, petitions, surveys etc. (where relevant)	

3. EVIDENCE TO SHOW THE SITE IS LOCAL IN CHARACTER	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
3.1 Who would the Local Green Space serve? Does the site serve the whole village/town, a particular geographical area or group of people?	
The woodland (part of the Statutory Forest) serves all the community as a space to walk, exercise dogs, and play. The football club provides sporting facilities to the local area.	
3.2 How far is the site from the community it serves? A map showing the nearest and furthest distances could evidence this.	
On the southern side it is bounded by Church Walk and its individual houses. The northern edge is bounded by the road linking the NDP area to the A48 and is midway between Oldcroft and Viney Hill but opposite the old school house and near the Viney Hill Church. (See location map and photos in 1.6 and 1.8)	
3.3 Are there any barriers to the local community accessing the site from their homes? Is the site open to public access? Is access to the site necessary to benefit from the site? Are there any physical barriers such as a main road or railway line and if so, how are these overcome?	
No barriers to the woodland. The football pitch is within its own fenced area. The car park is used for events taking place in the Club house by various groups and also for patients at the physiotherapists working from the old school house.	

<p>3.4 How does the site relate to the local area? Does the site feel part of the local area? Why? How does it connect physically, visually and socially to the area? What is your evidence?</p>	
<p>The site is integral to the community is part of the landscape and contribute to the enjoyment of the area for exercise and social activity.</p>	
<p>3.5 Is the site an extensive tract of land? How large is the site in comparison to the community it serves and areas of land in the vicinity? Does the site feel extensive? Does the site surround all or part of village/ town/local area?</p>	
<p>Approximately 3.7 Ha</p>	
<p>3.6 How has the size of the site been decided? Does the site follow natural features or existing constraints? Does the whole site justify designation or could a section of the site be designated?</p>	
<p>Sites is naturally constrained by minor roads on two sides woodland and property boundaries.</p>	
<p>3.7 Is there a need for Local Green Space in this location? Is there a shortage of accessible green space in the area? Is there evidence of a need?</p>	
<p>The site sits within the Statutory Forest of Dean. As such there is not a need for open space but is an integral part of the settlement landscape.</p>	

<p>4. PLANNING HISTORY</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>4.1 Is there currently a planning application for this site? Could part of the site still be used as a Local Green Space? To check if a planning application has been made visit https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-permission/view-planning-applications/</p>	
<p>No - it is designated as open space in the Local Authority Allocations Plan</p>	<p>Yes page nr?</p>

<p>4.2 Was the site considered as part of the most recent Forest of Dean Strategic Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment? If yes, could part of the site still be used as a Local Green Space? https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/strategic-housing-land-availability-assessment/</p>	
No	SHELAA Interactive maps

<p>5. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS BEAUTY? If “no”, continue to section 6</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>5.1 Describe why the community feels that the site has a particular local significance for its beauty.</p>	
<p>The site is integral to the communities they serve and part of the village/hamlet character</p>	
<p>5.2 Site visibility Is the site visible from a public place? Are there views of the site from any key locations?</p>	
<p>Yes – see photos in 1.6 and 1.8</p>	
<p>5.3 Is the site covered by any landscape or similar designations? Conservation Areas, Special Landscape Area etc.</p>	
<p>It is within the Statutory Forest of Dean Boundary</p>	
<p>5.4 Is the site (or type of landscape) specifically mentioned in any relevant landscape character assessments or similar documents? Landscape character assessments and conservation area appraisals can be viewed here: https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/landscape-character-assessment/ and here: https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/historic-buildings-and-conservation-areas/conservation-area-maps-and-appraisals/</p>	
<p>Yes</p>	<p>See allocations plan Section 33 p 248 -249</p>
<p>5.5 Does the site bring interest from further afield to the local area? Is the site used in tourism brochures? Does it feature in well-known paintings or poems?</p>	

No	
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6. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE? If "no", continue to section 7	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
6.1 Are there any historic buildings, features or remains on the site? For example, listed buildings, scheduled ancient monuments, war memorials etc.	
No	
6.2 Are there any historic landscape features on the site? For example, old hedgerows, ancient trees, historic ponds, historic garden features	
No	
6.3 Did the site play an important role in the historic development of the village or town? For example, part of the grounds for the manor house, site of an old railway station, village green	
No	
6.4 Did any important historic events take place on the site?	
No	
6.5 Is there a long-standing event which takes place on the site? For example, well-dressing, maypole dancing, market	
No	

7. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS RECREATIONAL VALUE? If “no”, continue to section 8	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
7.1 Is the site used for playing sport? Which sport? Is this sports provision free or is club membership required?	
1, Football (membership of Viney Hill Football Club)	
7.2 Is the site used for informal recreation? For example dog-walking. If so, since when?	
Woodland Yes. Children’s play, recreational walking, dog walking, for over 100 years.	

8. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS TRANQUILLITY? If “no”, continue to section 9	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
8.1 Is the site within a recognised tranquil area? CPRE have produced a tranquillity map which can be accessed at https://www.cpre.org.uk/resources/tranquility-map-england/	
It is part of the ancient Forest of Dean	
8.2 Why is the site considered to be tranquil? What features make it feel tranquil? Does it enhance the feeling of tranquillity within the local area? Does it provide an area of tranquillity within a busy setting?	
It is a recreational open space between two communities, bordered by ancient woodland with only local traffic on its boundaries.	

9. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS RICHNESS OF WILDLIFE? If “no”, continue to section 10	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
9.1 Is the site formally designated for its wildlife value? Internationally and Nationally designated sites: Special Area of Conservation, Special Protection Areas or Sites of Special Scientific Interest Local designation sites: Site of Importance for Nature Conservation, Local Nature Reserves etc. To see if your site is designated visit	

www.magic.gov.uk	
No	
9.2 Are any important habitats or species found on the site? These include all species of bats, breeding birds, barn owls, great crested newts, water voles, otters, white clawed crayfish and badgers. For further information on priority habitats and species please see the Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust website: https://www.gloucestershirowildlifetrust.co.uk/	
Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust interactive maps shows the location as being on the edge of the ancient woodland with high incidence for wildlife connectivity.	
9.3 What other wildlife of interest has been found on the site?	

10. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE FOR ANY OTHER REASON? If "no", you have completed the submission form	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
10.1 What are the other reasons which make the site significant for the local community? Is the site a focal point or stopping place? Does it provide key views across or looking out of the local area?	
No	
10.2 What features make this site important?	

11. SUMMARY / CONCLUSIONS	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
11.1 Is the site demonstrably special to the local community?	
Yes	CA sheet

11.2 Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves?	
Yes	See maps above
11.3 Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	
Yes	
11.4 Does the site hold particular local significance because of... (tick all that apply)	
Its beauty	
Its historic significance	
Its recreational value	Yes
Its tranquillity	Yes
Its richness of wildlife	
Another reason – Its value to the local community	YES
11.5 In light of the above assessment, should this site be designated as a Local Green Space? (i.e. have you answered 'yes' to 11.1-11.4 above)	
Yes, the site should be designated as a Local Green Space	

LOCAL GREEN SPACE DESIGNATIONS

Site Assessment Form

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

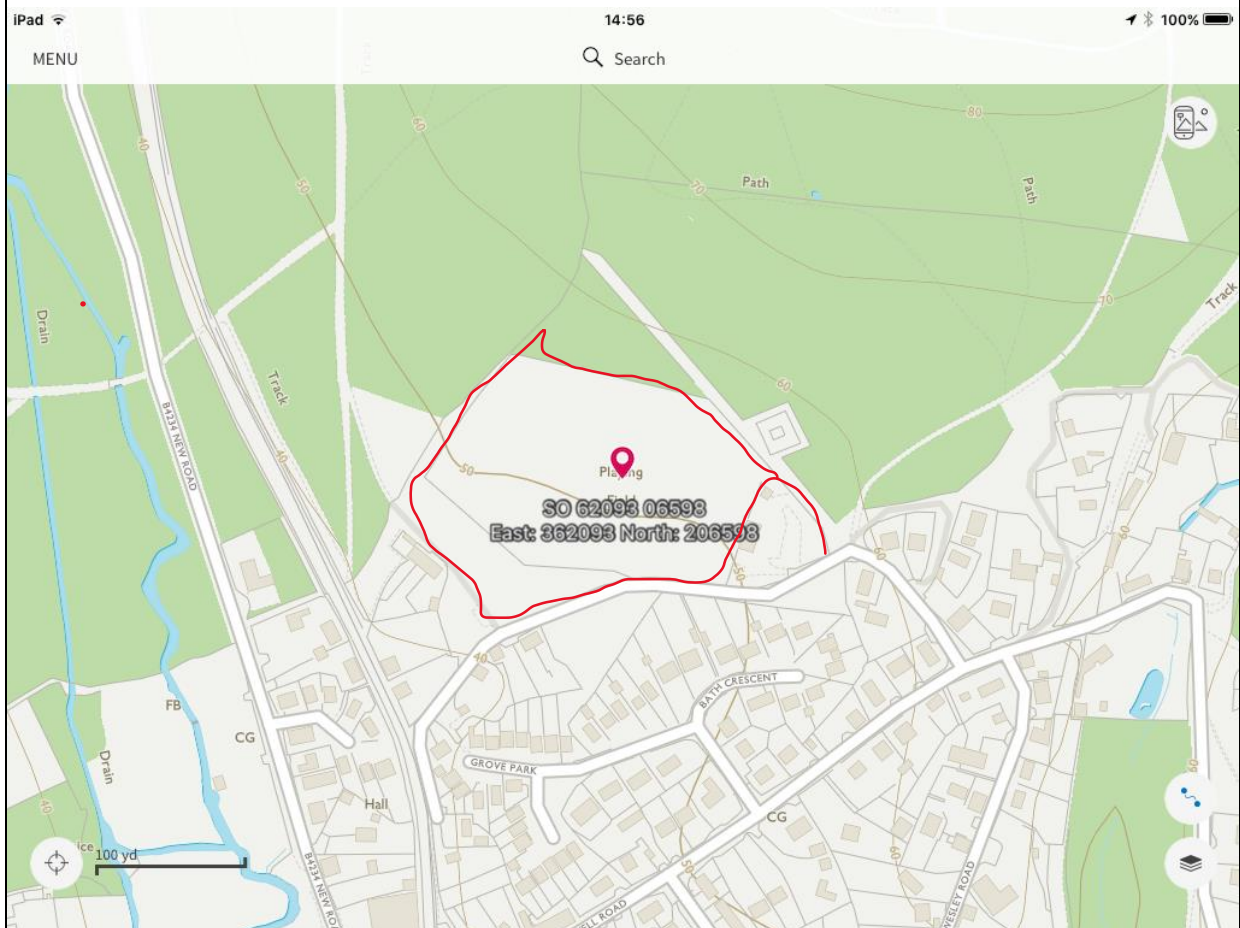
1.5 Name and address or grid reference of site

The site should lie within the Neighbourhood Plan area boundary and it must be of significance to some or all of the residents within your parish/community

Whitecroft Memorial Recreation Ground, Whitecroft, Nr Lydney. GR SO62093 06598
The area covers 2.2 hectares

1.6 Site location plan

The boundaries of the site must be clearly identified and must show the location of the site.



1.7 Ownership of site (if known)

Owned and managed by the Trustees of Whitecroft War Memorial Hall and held in trust for the residents of Whitecroft

1.8 Photographs of site (if available)



2. EVIDENCE TO SHOW THE SITE IS DEMONSTRABLY SPECIAL TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

Tick if relevant evidence submitted

2.1 How was this site identified as being special?

[Empty response area for question 2.1]

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<p>This area is traditionally been used for a recreation area for over 100 years. It was donated as a Memorial Field in honour of the fallen in WW1. It is home to Whitecroft Football club and houses its social club and changing rooms. It is in a beautiful setting with woodland on three sides. It is open to the public and is used extensively for sports and social activities as well as the only playground in the area.</p>	
<p>2.2 Is there evidence of support from other local community groups or individuals? Please submit letters of support, petitions, surveys etc. (where relevant)</p>	

3. EVIDENCE TO SHOW THE SITE IS LOCAL IN CHARACTER	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
<p>3.1 Who would the Local Green Space serve? Does the site serve the whole village/town, a particular geographical area or group of people?</p>	
<p>Serves all the community as a space to socialise, walk, play sport, exercise, children's play area and is home to the village football club. It is a memorial to the fallen in WW1.</p>	
<p>3.2 How far is the site from the community it serves? A map showing the nearest and furthest distances could evidence this.</p>	
<p>It is on the edge of the village adjoining woodland. (photos in 1.6 and 1.8)</p>	
<p>3.3 Are there any barriers to the local community accessing the site from their homes? Is the site open to public access? Is access to the site necessary to benefit from the site? Are there any physical barriers such as a main road or railway line and if so, how are these overcome?</p>	
<p>Yes, it is open to the public at all times via a pedestrian kissing gate and a vehicular gate which is opened during football matches. It is securely fenced all around but boar and deer proof fencing. There is a metalled road leading to the recreation ground .</p>	
<p>3.4 How does the site relate to the local area? Does the site feel part of the local area? Why? How does it connect physically, visually and socially to the area? What is your evidence?</p>	

The site is integral to the community, is part of the landscape and contributes to the enjoyment of the area for exercise and social activity.	
3.5 Is the site an extensive tract of land? How large is the site in comparison to the community it serves and areas of land in the vicinity? Does the site feel extensive? Does the site surround all or part of village/ town/local area?	
The area is a generous size, large enough to accommodate the football field and extra area with as much ground again. In total measured at Ha.	
3.6 How has the size of the site been decided? Does the site follow natural features or existing constraints? Does the whole site justify designation or could a section of the site be designated?	
Sites is naturally constrained by a minor road on one side and ancient woodland to the other three. The whole site justifies designation .	
3.7 Is there a need for Local Green Space in this location? Is there a shortage of accessible green space in the area? Is there evidence of a need?	
The site sits within the centre of the village and within the Statutory Forest of Dean. With access to open woodland there is not a shortage of accessible open space	

4. PLANNING HISTORY	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
4.1 Is there currently a planning application for this site? Could part of the site still be used as a Local Green Space? To check if a planning application has been made visit https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-permission/view-planning-applications/	
No - it is designated as open space in the Local Authority Allocations Plan	
4.2 Was the site considered as part of the most recent Forest of Dean Strategic Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment? If yes, could part of the site still be used as a Local Green Space? https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/strategic-housing-land-availability-assessment/	

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5. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS BEAUTY? If "no", continue to section 6	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
5.1 Describe why the community feels that the site has a particular local significance for its beauty.	
The sites is integral to the communities they serve and is part of the village's character. It is quiet, safe and in beautiful surroundings.	
5.2 Site visibility Is the site visible from a public place? Are there views of the site from any keylocations?	
Yes – see photos in 1.6 and 1.8	
5.3 Is the site covered by any landscape or similar designations? Conservation Areas, Special Landscape Area etc.	
It is within the Statutory Forest of Dean Boundary	
5.4 Is the site (or type of landscape) specifically mentioned in any relevant landscape character assessments or similar documents? Landscape character assessments and conservation area appraisals can be viewed here: https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/landscape-character-assessment/ and here: https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/historic-buildings-and-conservation-areas/conservation-area-maps-and-appraisals/	
Yes	See allocations plan Section
5.5 Does the site bring interest from further afield to the local area? Is the site used in tourism brochures? Does it feature in well-known paintings or poems?	
As the home of Whitecroft AFC it is regularly used by visiting clubs	

6. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE? No	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
6.1 Are there any historic buildings, features or remains on the site? For example, listed buildings, scheduled ancient monuments, war memorials etc.	
6.2 Are there any historic landscape features on the site? For example, old hedgerows, ancient trees, historic ponds, historic garden features	
6.3 Did the site play an important role in the historic development of the village or town? For example, part of the grounds for the manor house, site of an old railway station, village green	
6.4 Did any important historic events take place on the site?	
6.5 Is there a long-standing event which takes place on the site? For example, well-dressing, maypole dancing, market	
It is the site of social and cultural village events over the years	

7. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS RECREATIONAL VALUE? If "no", continue to section 8	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
7.1 Is the site used for playing sport? Which sport? Is this sports provision free or is club membership required?	
Yes, it is the home of Whitecroft Football Club and used as a playing field and playground for local people. Membership of the football club is required. It is also used annually for fetes, and festivals the most significant being an	

annual music festival, the Whitecroft dabdown festival.	
7.2 Is the site used for informal recreation? For example dog-walking. If so, since when?	
Yes. Children's play, recreational walking, dog walking, for over 100 years.	

8. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS TRANQUILLITY? If "no", continue to section 9	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
8.1 Is the site within a recognised tranquil area? CPRE have produced a tranquillity map which can be accessed at https://www.cpre.org.uk/resources/tranquility-map-england/	
It is part of the ancient Forest of Dean and is particularly tranquil.	
8.2 Why is the site considered to be tranquil? What features make it feel tranquil? Does it enhance the feeling of tranquillity within the local area? Does it provide an area of tranquillity within a busy setting?	
It is part recreational open space for the community and wider area. The area is not busy as it is in a village setting but its importance as a safe and tranquil place is invaluable to the local community.	

9. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS RICHNESS OF WILDLIFE? If "no", continue to section 10	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
9.1 Is the site formally designated for its wildlife value? Internationally and Nationally designated sites: Special Area of Conservation, Special Protection Areas or Sites of Special Scientific Interest Local designation sites: Site of Importance for Nature Conservation, Local Nature Reserves etc. To see if your site is designated visit www.magic.gov.uk	
No	

<p>9.2 Are any important habitats or species found on the site? These include all species of bats, breeding birds, barn owls, great crested newts, water voles, otters, white clawed crayfish and badgers. For further information on priority habitats and species please see the Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust website: https://www.gloucestershirewildlifetrust.co.uk/</p>	
<p>Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust interactive maps shows the location as being on the edge of the ancient woodland with high incidence for wildlife connectivity.</p>	
<p>9.3 What other wildlife of interest has been found on the site?</p>	


<p>10. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE FOR ANY OTHER REASON? No If “no”, you have completed the submission form</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>10.1 What are the other reasons which make the site significant for the local community? Is the site a focal point or stopping place? Does it provide key views across or looking out of the local area?</p>	
<p>10.2 What features make this site important?</p>	

<p>11. SUMMARY / CONCLUSIONS</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>11.1 Is the site demonstrably special to the local community?</p>	
<p>Yes</p>	<p>CA sheet</p>
<p>11.2 Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves?</p>	
<p>Yes</p>	<p>See maps above</p>
<p>11.3 Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?</p>	
<p>Yes but is a large site</p>	

11.4 Does the site hold particular local significance because of... (tick all that apply)	
Its beauty	Yes
Its historic significance	Yes
Its recreational value	Yes
Its tranquillity	Yes
Its richness of wildlife	Yes
Another reason – Its value to the local community	YES
11.5 In light of the above assessment, should this site be designated as a Local Green Space? (i.e. have you answered 'yes' to 11.1-11.4 above)	
Yes, the site should be designated as a Local Green Space	

LOCAL GREEN SPACE DESIGNATIONS

Site Assessment Form

1. GENERAL INFORMATION
1.5 Name and address or grid reference of site The site should lie within the Neighbourhood Plan area boundary and it must be of significance to some or all of the residents within your parish/community
Community Centre Yorkley, Sports field and playground, Bailey Hill Yorkley SO63828 07112. It covers an area of 1.8 hectares.
1.6 Site location plan The boundaries of the site must be clearly identified and must show the location of the site.

1.7 Ownership of site (if known) It is held in trust by the Trustees of Yorkley Community Centre for the benefit of the residents of Yorkley, Pillowell, Oldcroft and Viney Hill.

1.8 Photographs of site (if available)



general view



play areas



Aerial view

2. EVIDENCE TO SHOW THE SITE IS DEMONSTRABLY SPECIAL TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
2.1 How was this site identified as being special?	
This area is traditionally been used for a recreation area for over 100 years. It is home to AFC Yorkley football club. It has a very well used children's playground and skatepark . It has a pedestrian access route to the ancient woodland and the site of many village activities and social events	
2.2 Is there evidence of support from other local community groups or individuals? Please submit letters of support, petitions, surveys etc. (where relevant)	

3. EVIDENCE TO SHOW THE SITE IS LOCAL IN CHARACTER	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
3.1 Who would the Local Green Space serve? Does the site serve the whole village/town, a particular geographical area or group of people?	
Serves all the local communities as a safe space to socialise, walk, play sport, exercise, walk dogs, children's play area and is home to the village football club.	
3.2 How far is the site from the community it serves? A map showing the nearest and furthest distances could evidence this.	
It is central within Yorkley. (photos in 1.6 and 1.8)	
3.3 Are there any barriers to the local community accessing the site from their homes? Is the site open to public access? Is access to the site necessary to benefit from the site? Are there any physical barriers such as a main road or railway line and if so, how are these overcome?	
No, other than animal proof fencing. The field is accessed through 3 pedestrian gates, two stiles and a vehiclular access.	

<p>3.4 How does the site relate to the local area? Does the site feel part of the local area? Why? How does it connect physically, visually and socially to the area? What is your evidence?</p>	
<p>The site is integral to the community, is part of the landscape and contributes to the enjoyment of the area for exercise and social activity.</p>	
<p>3.5 Is the site an extensive tract of land? How large is the site in comparison to the community it serves and areas of land in the vicinity? Does the site feel extensive? Does the site surround all or part of village/ town/local area?</p>	
<p>The area is a generous size, large enough to accommodate the football field and extra area with as much ground again. In total measured 1.8 hectares</p>	
<p>3.6 How has the size of the site been decided? Does the site follow natural features or existing constraints? Does the whole site justify designation or could a section of the site be designated?</p>	
<p>Sites is naturally constrained by minor roads on one side and ancient woodland to the other three.</p>	
<p>3.7 Is there a need for Local Green Space in this location? Is there a shortage of accessible green space in the area? Is there evidence of a need?</p>	
<p>The site sits within the centre of the village and within the Statutory Forest of Dean. With access to open woodland there is not a shortage of accessible open space</p>	

<p>4. PLANNING HISTORY</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>4.1 Is there currently a planning application for this site? Could part of the site still be used as a Local Green Space? To check if a planning application has been made visit https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-permission/view-planning-applications/</p>	
<p>No - it is designated as open space in the Local Authority Allocations Plan The community centre building was replaced seven years ago.</p>	<p>Yes page nr?</p>

<p>4.2 Was the site considered as part of the most recent Forest of Dean Strategic Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment? If yes, could part of the site still be used as a Local Green Space? https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/strategic-housing-land-availability-assessment/</p>	
<p>Yes –</p>	<p>Allocation Plan Section p</p>

<p>5. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS BEAUTY? If “no”, continue to section 6</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>5.1 Describe why the community feels that the site has a particular local significance for its beauty.</p>	
<p>The sites is integral to the communities they serve and is part of the village’s character. It is in a beautiful setting being bounded by anciant woodland on three sides.</p>	
<p>5.2 Site visibility Is the site visible from a public place? Are there views of the site from any keylocations?</p>	
<p>Yes – see photos in 1.6 and 1.8</p>	
<p>5.3 Is the site covered by any landscape or similar designations? Conservation Areas, Special Landscape Area etc.</p>	
<p>It is within the Statutory Forest of Dean Boundary</p>	
<p>5.4 Is the site (or type of landscape) specifically mentioned in any relevant landscape character assessments or similar documents? Landscape character assessments and conservation area appraisals can be viewed here: https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/landscape-character-assessment/ and here: https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/historic-buildings-and-conservation-areas/conservation-area-maps-and-appraisals/</p>	
<p>Yes</p>	<p>See allocations plan Section</p>
<p>5.5 Does the site bring interest from further afield to the local area? Is the site used in tourism brochures? Does it feature in well-known paintings or poems?</p>	

As it is the home of Yorkley AFC it hosts visiting teams. It also attracts people from outside the area for recreational and social events.	
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6. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE? If "no", continue to section 7	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
6.1 Are there any historic buildings, features or remains on the site? For example, listed buildings, scheduled ancient monuments, war memorials etc.	
Yes There is a 'blue plaque' on the wall of the Centre commemorating a local broadcaster and published 1 st WW poet FW Harvey. The site also holds the village war memorial	
6.2 Are there any historic landscape features on the site? For example, old hedgerows, ancient trees, historic ponds, historic garden features	
Surrounded by statutory Forest with ancient oaks on the boundary, There is a 'blue plaque' on the wall of the Centre commemorating a local broadcaster and published 1 st WW poet. The large beech tree is thought to be 500 years old.	
6.3 Did the site play an important role in the historic development of the village or town? For example, part of the grounds for the manor house, site of an old railway station, village green	
The site was granted to the village, levelled by miners to provide a sports and recreation field in the early part of the 20 th century.	
6.4 Did any important historic events take place on the site?	
No	
6.5 Is there a long-standing event which takes place on the site? For example, well-dressing, maypole dancing, market	
It is the site for all village large scale events and has been since its establishment.	

<p>7. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS RECREATIONAL VALUE? If “no”, continue to section 8</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>7.1 Is the site used for playing sport? Which sport? Is this sports provision free or is club membership required?</p>	
<p>Yes . Football (membership of AFC Yorkley) The pitch is also rented out to local youth football clubs</p>	
<p>7.2 Is the site used for informal recreation? For example dog-walking. If so, since when?</p>	
<p>Yes. Children’s play, recreational walking, dog walking, for over 100 years.</p>	

<p>8. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS TRANQUILLITY? If “no”, continue to section 9</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>8.1 Is the site within a recognised tranquil area? CPRE have produced a tranquillity map which can be accessed at https://www.cpre.org.uk/resources/tranquillity-map-england/</p>	
<p>It is part of the ancient Forest of Dean</p>	
<p>8.2 Why is the site considered to be tranquil? What features make it feel tranquil? Does it enhance the feeling of tranquillity within the local area? Does it provide an area of tranquillity within a busy setting?</p>	
<p>It is part recreational open space for the community and wider area.</p>	

<p>9. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS RICHNESS OF WILDLIFE? If “no”, continue to section 10</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
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<p>9.1 Is the site formally designated for its wildlife value? Internationally and Nationally designated sites: Special Area of Conservation, Special Protection Areas or Sites of Special Scientific Interest Local designation sites: Site of Importance for Nature Conservation, Local Nature Reserves etc. To see if your site is designated visit www.magic.gov.uk</p>	
No	
<p>9.2 Are any important habitats or species found on the site? These include all species of bats, breeding birds, barn owls, great crested newts, water voles, otters, white clawed crayfish and badgers. For further information on priority habitats and species please see the Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust website: https://www.gloucestershirewildlifetrust.co.uk/</p>	
Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust interactive maps shows the location as being on the edge of the ancient woodland with high incidence for wildlife connectivity.	
<p>9.3 What other wildlife of interest has been found on the site?</p>	

<p>10. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE FOR ANY OTHER REASON? If "no", you have completed the submission form</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>10.1 What are the other reasons which make the site significant for the local community? Is the site a focal point or stopping place? Does it provide key views across or looking out of the local area?</p>	
Yes. The car park acts as emergency car parking for the village school. The building and cap parking is used by the medical Centre staff and patients.	
<p>10.2 What features make this site important?</p>	
All the above...	

<p>11. SUMMARY / CONCLUSIONS</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>11.1 Is the site demonstrably special to the local community?</p>	

Yes	CA sheet
11.2 Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves?	
Yes	See maps above
11.3 Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	
Yes but is a large site	
11.4 Does the site hold particular local significance because of... (tick all that apply)	
Its beauty	Yes
Its historic significance	Yes
Its recreational value	Yes
Its tranquillity	Yes
Its richness of wildlife	Yes
Another reason – Its value to the local community	YES
11.5 In light of the above assessment, should this site be designated as a Local Green Space? (i.e. have you answered 'yes' to 11.1-11.4 above)	
Yes, the site should be designated as a Local Green Space	

LOCAL GREEN SPACE DESIGNATIONS

Site Assessment Form

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

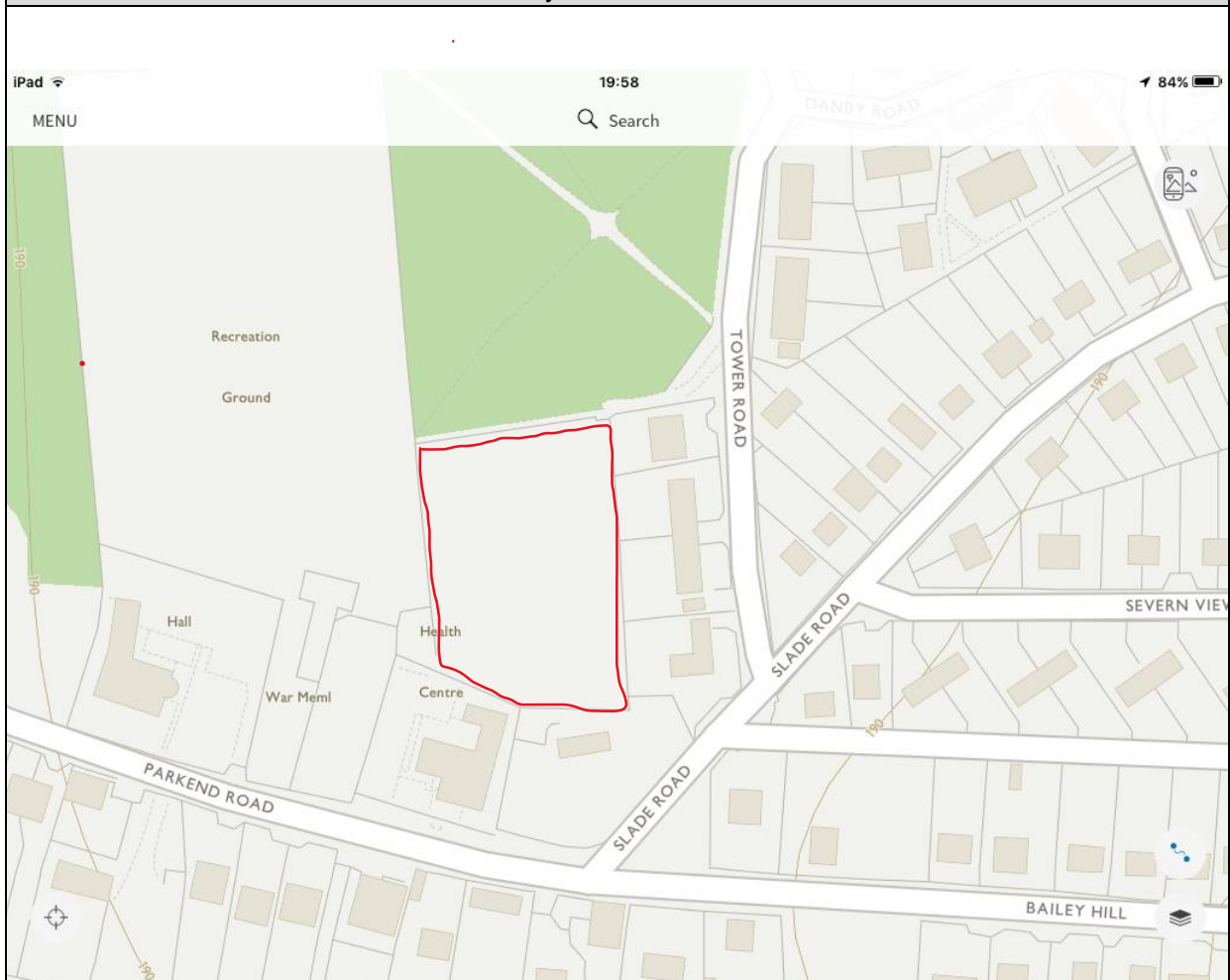
1.5 Name and address or grid reference of site

The site should lie within the Neighbourhood Plan area boundary and it must be of significance to some or all of the residents within your parish/community

Yorkley Village Garden,
Land forming part of the Forest of Dean
Field North of Cockshoot Lodge
Yorkley
Glos GL15 4RS
OS Grid Ref SO63903 07086
What three words – hindering.surface.police

1.6 Site location plan

The boundaries of the site must be clearly identified and must show the location of the site.



1.7 Ownership of site (if known)

Land is owned by the Crown and managed by Forestry England. It is under discussion to be leased to West Dean Parish Council for use as a Community Garden.

1.8 Photographs of site (if available)



Figure 1 Aerial View (from OS)

2. EVIDENCE TO SHOW THE SITE IS DEMONSTRABLY SPECIAL TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
2.1 How was this site identified as being special?	
<p>This plot of land is bounded by statutory forest to the north and sits adjacent to the Community Centre The field once formed part of the Cockshoot Lodge land and was used by FE as a tree nursery. More recently, the field has been leased by local people either to graze horses or sheep. The field was identified by FE as a piece of land that they were prepared to offer to the community for community use. It is in an ideal situation being adjacent to the community centre and the doctors surgery. As such it is a valued village asset. The field is in the heart of the village and is proving to be a place where the community come together to grow produce for their own and community use. The field has been inspected by Dean Meadows group. Parts of the meadow are deemed to be quite good for meadow flowers, this area will be kept and improved as a wildflower meadow.</p>	<p><i>Notes from original community meeting (to follow)</i></p>
2.2 Is there evidence of support from other local community groups or individuals? Please submit letters of support, petitions, surveys etc. (where relevant)	
<p>The whole of Yorkley was surveyed. Participants received a paper survey through their letterbox and the survey was also available online. 70 people responded – most people were positive about the idea of a village garden 40 people wanted to get involved/stay in touch A steering committee of 9 people has been established.</p> <p>Supported by WDPC and Yorkley Community Centre committee Received grant from WDPC for deer fencing Received grant from FoDDC to help pay for first aid training and tool use training</p>	

<p>3. EVIDENCE TO SHOW THE SITE IS LOCAL IN CHARACTER The site is bounded on two sides by an old hedge which is local in character. The field is small which is also a feature of local fields and farming area.</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>3.1 Who would the Local Green Space serve? Does the site serve the whole village/town, a particular geographical area or group of people?</p>	
<p>The plot sits in the centre of the village of Yorkley. It is accessible to all and although in the early days it is providing opportunity for local people of all ages to come together to create a community garden for all the village.</p>	<p><i>See aerial photo in 1.8</i></p>
<p>3.2 How far is the site from the community it serves? A map showing the nearest and furthest distances could evidence this.</p>	
<p>It is centred in the village boundary, close to mixed housing and village amenities.</p>	
<p>3.3 Are there any barriers to the local community accessing the site from their homes? Is the site open to public access? Is access to the site necessary to benefit from the site? Are there any physical barriers such as a main road or railway line and if so, how are these overcome?</p>	
<p>The site is fenced on all sides but accessible via vehicular and pedestrian gates.</p>	
<p>3.4 How does the site relate to the local area? Does the site feel part of the local area? Why? How does it connect physically, visually and socially to the area? What is your evidence?</p>	
<p>The site is integral to the community, is part of the landscape. See also questions 1.6, 3.1 and 3.3</p>	
<p>3.5 Is the site an extensive tract of land? How large is the site in comparison to the community it serves and areas of land in the vicinity? Does the site feel extensive? Does the site surround all or part of village/ town/local area?</p>	
<p>The total plot measures 4052m². This is an extensive plot and is screened by neighbouring houses, the medical centre, community centre and forest. (See 1.6)</p>	<p><i>Measure provided by WDPC from 'Parish Online'</i></p>
<p>3.6 How has the size of the site been decided? Does the site follow natural features or existing constraints? Does the whole site justify designation or could a section of the site be designated?</p>	

The site is constrained (see 3.5). Although in the early days of use as a community garden there are plans to use all of the site for organic gardening and habitat development. The hedges will be left to encourage wildlife and bird nesting, there will be a small orchard area and space to grow organic fruit and vegetables. The meadow area will be cut and managed to improve wildflowers and wildlife habitat.	
3.7 Is there a need for Local Green Space in this location? Is there a shortage of accessible green space in the area? Is there evidence of a need?	
The site sits within the Statutory Forest of Dean. As such there is not a need for accessible green open space. However, there are no allotments in Yorkley and no other community space which promotes connection with the land and the food we eat and helps to provide a sustainable food resource and wildlife haven for the community. This is an opportunity for families to learn together in an integral part of the settlement landscape.	

4. PLANNING HISTORY	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
4.1 Is there currently a planning application for this site? Could part of the site still be used as a Local Green Space? To check if a planning application has been made visit https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-permission/view-planning-applications/	
No	
4.2 Was the site considered as part of the most recent Forest of Dean Strategic Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment? If yes, could part of the site still be used as a Local Green Space? https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/strategic-housing-land-availability-assessment/	
Yes –	<i>Need to check Allocation Plan Section 33</i>

5. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS BEAUTY? If “no”, continue to section 6	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
5.1 Describe why the community feels that the site has a particular local significance for its beauty.	

The sites is centred within the village but because of the screening has no particular significance for its beauty. The site will however develop into a place of significant beauty as the orchard grows and the meadow is improved. It will be a place for peace, wildlife, food and because of the hedge screening it is a place where you can get away from it all.	
5.2 Site visibility Is the site visible from a public place? Are there views of the site from any keylocations?	
Yes – from footpaths within the northern forest boundary and from the houses and Dr’s surgery.	<i>Possible photo</i>
5.3 Is the site covered by any landscape or similar designations? Conservation Areas, Special Landscape Area etc.	
It is within the Statutory Forest of Dean Boundary	
5.4 Is the site (or type of landscape) specifically mentioned in any relevant landscape character assessments or similar documents? Landscape character assessments and conservation area appraisals can be viewed here: https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/landscape-character-assessment/ and here: https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/historic-buildings-and-conservation-areas/conservation-area-maps-and-appraisals/	
No	
5.5 Does the site bring interest from further afield to the local area? Is the site used in tourism brochures? Does it feature in well-known paintings or poems?	
No. In the future, it may be of interest to other villages and towns who are interested in setting up community growing schemes. We hope to share what we learn with others.	

6. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE? See above.	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
6.1 Are there any historic buildings, features or remains on the site? For example, listed buildings, scheduled ancient monuments, war memorials etc.	
No	

6.2 Are there any historic landscape features on the site? For example, old hedgerows, ancient trees, historic ponds, historic garden features	
Surrounded by statutory Forest with ancient oaks on the northern boundary, an old hedgerow to two sides of the field.	
6.3 Did the site play an important role in the historic development of the village or town? For example, part of the grounds for the manor house, site of an old railway station, village green	
See above.	
6.4 Did any important historic events take place on the site?	
No	
6.5 Is there a long-standing event which takes place on the site? For example, well-dressing, maypole dancing, market	
No	

7. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS RECREATIONAL VALUE? NO If "no", continue to section 8	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
7.1 Is the site used for playing sport? Which sport? Is this sports provision free or is club membership required?	
7.2 Is the site used for informal recreation? For example dog-walking. If so, since when?	

8. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS TRANQUILLITY? NO The site offers a place of tranquillity as described above.	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
8.1 Is the site within a recognised tranquil area? CPRE have produced a tranquillity map which can be accessed at https://www.cpre.org.uk/resources/tranquillity-map-england/	

<p>8.2 Why is the site considered to be tranquil?</p> <p>The site is tucked away on two sides by an old hedgerow. It is quiet and away from traffic. There is no proper road to the field so this enhances its tranquillity. Although we have the Forest, the field offers a different feeling, the opportunity to get in touch with the earth and nature through growing food together is a peaceful and rewarding experience.</p> <p>In time the garden will offer much greater habitat for wildlife and quiet sitting spaces.</p> <p>What features make it feel tranquil? Does it enhance the feeling of tranquillity within the local area? Does it provide an area of tranquillity within a busy setting?</p>	

<p>9. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS RICHNESS OF WILDLIFE?</p> <p>There is a wildflower meadow. If "no", continue to section 10</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>9.1 Is the site formally designated for its wildlife value? www.magic.gov.uk</p>	
<p>No</p>	
<p>9.2 Are any important habitats or species found on the site? https://www.gloucestershirewildlifetrust.co.uk/ See above. Assessed as good by Dean Meadows.</p>	
<p>9.3 What other wildlife of interest has been found on the site?</p>	

Wildflowers	
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10. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE FOR ANY OTHER REASON?	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
YES :	
10.1 What are the other reasons which make the site significant for the local community? Is the site a focal point or stopping place? Does it provide key views across or looking out of the local area?	
This site is for a community project not only for growing food but also to develop a growing sense of community and improving wellbeing for the villagers involved. It also serves a purpose in helping raise awareness of the need for local food production in times of climate change.	
10.2 What features make this site important?	
It's size and location within the village	

11. SUMMARY / CONCLUSIONS	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
11.1 Is the site demonstrably special to the local community?	
Yes	
11.2 Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves?	
Yes	See maps above
11.3 Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	
Yes	
11.4 Does the site hold particular local significance because of... (tick all that apply)	
Its beauty	
Its historic significance	
Its recreational value	
Its tranquillity	
Its richness of wildlife	
Another reason – Its value to the local community	YES
11.5 In light of the above assessment, should this site be designated as a Local Green Space? (i.e. have you answered 'yes' to 11.1-11.4 above)	

Yes, the site should be designated as a Local Green Space	YES

LOCAL GREEN SPACE DESIGNATIONS

Site Assessment Form

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

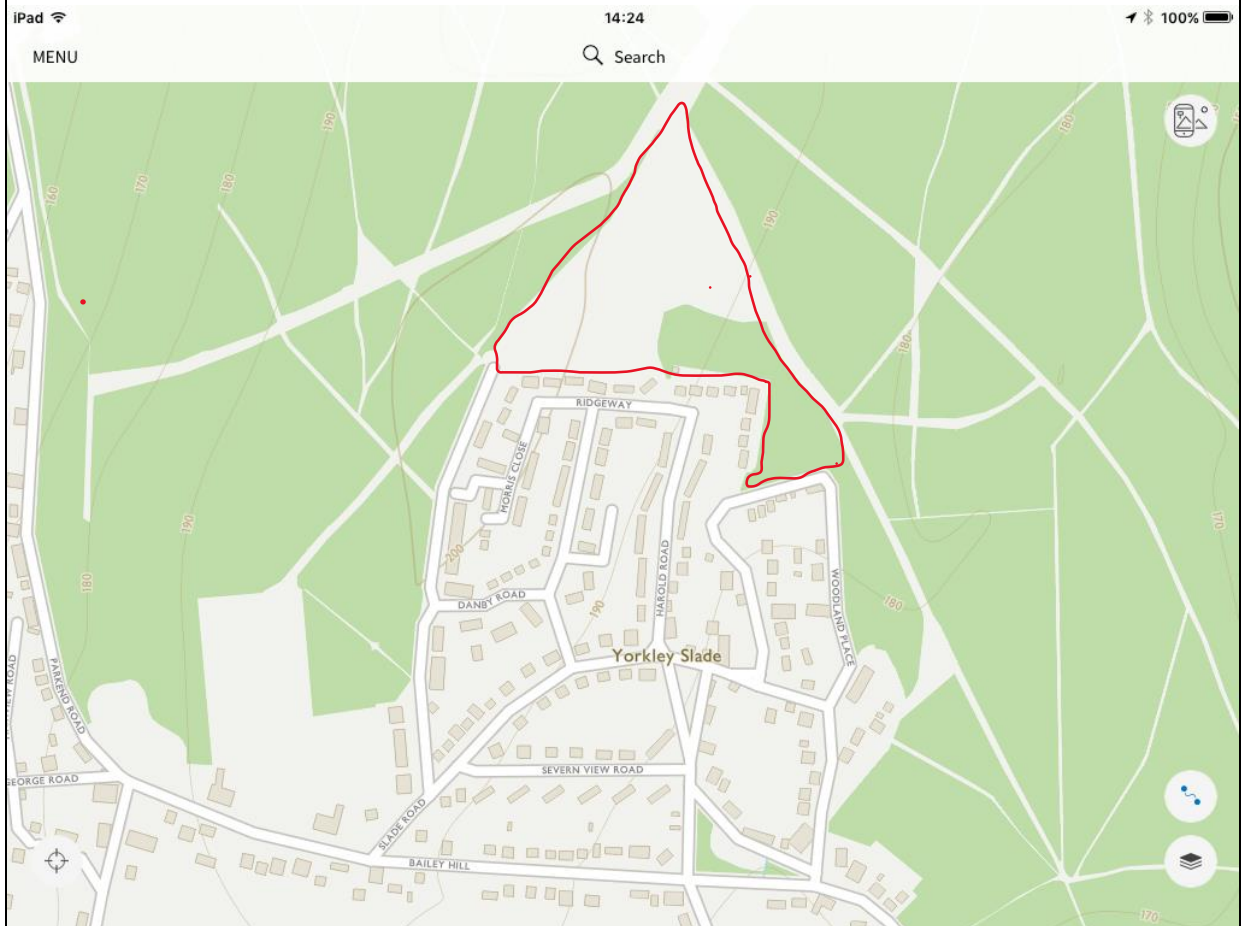
1.5 Name and address or grid reference of site

The site should lie within the Neighbourhood Plan area boundary and it must be of significance to some or all of the residents within your parish/community

Yorkley Slade north of Woodland Place / Ridgeway, Yorkley. GR SO64157 07522

1.6 Site location plan

The boundaries of the site must be clearly identified and must show the location of the site.

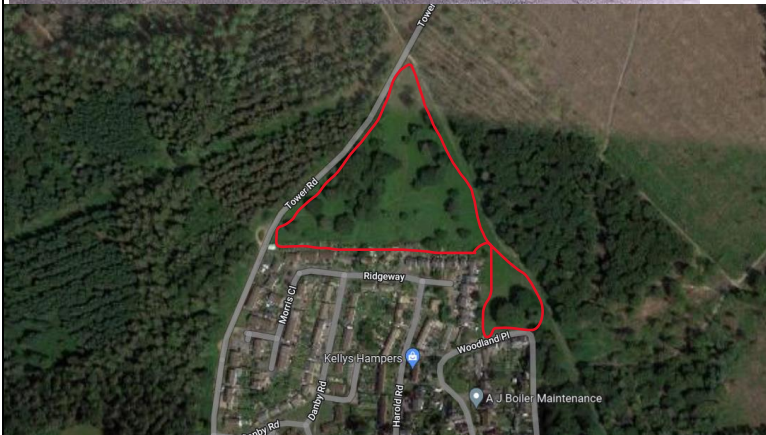


1.7 Ownership of site (if known)

Crown estate managed by Forest England

1.8 Photographs of site (if available)

general view



Aerial view

2. EVIDENCE TO SHOW THE SITE IS DEMONSTRABLY SPECIAL TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

Tick if relevant evidence submitted

2.1 How was this site identified as being special?

This area is traditionally been used for a recreation area for over 100 years. It is adjacent and part of the Statutory Forest of Dean	
2.2 Is there evidence of support from other local community groups or individuals? Please submit letters of support, petitions, surveys etc. (where relevant)	

3. EVIDENCE TO SHOW THE SITE IS LOCAL IN CHARACTER	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
3.1 Who would the Local Green Space serve? Does the site serve the whole village/town, a particular geographical area or group of people?	
Serves all the community as a space to, walk, play sport, exercise, walk dogs, children's play area and is home to the village football club.	
3.2 How far is the site from the community it serves? A map showing the nearest and furthest distances could evidence this.	
(photos in 1.6 and 1.8)	
3.3 Are there any barriers to the local community accessing the site from their homes? Is the site open to public access? Is access to the site necessary to benefit from the site? Are there any physical barriers such as a main road or railway line and if so, how are these overcome?	
No, It is open ground	
3.4 How does the site relate to the local area? Does the site feel part of the local area? Why? How does it connect physically, visually and socially to the area? What is your evidence?	
<i>The site is integral to the community, is part of the landscape and contributes to the enjoyment of the area for exercise and social activity.</i>	

<p>3.5 Is the site an extensive tract of land? How large is the site in comparison to the community it serves and areas of land in the vicinity? Does the site feel extensive? Does the site surround all or part of village/ town/local area?</p>	
<p>The area is a generous size, <i>large enough to accommodate the football field and extra area with as much ground again. In total measured at 2.67 hectares</i></p>	
<p>3.6 How has the size of the site been decided? Does the site follow natural features or existing constraints? Does the whole site justify designation or could a section of the site be designated?</p>	
<p><i>Sites is naturally constrained by minor roads on one side and ancient woodland to the other three.</i></p>	
<p>3.7 Is there a need for Local Green Space in this location? Is there a shortage of accessible green space in the area? Is there evidence of a need?</p>	
<p>The site sits at the edge of the village and within the Statutory Forest of Dean. With access to open woodland there is not a shortage of accessible open space</p>	

<p>4. PLANNING HISTORY</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>4.1 Is there currently a planning application for this site? Could part of the site still be used as a Local Green Space? To check if a planning application has been made visit https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-permission/view-planning-applications/</p>	
<p>No - it is designated as open space in the Local Authority Allocations Plan The community centre building was replaced seven years ago.</p>	<p>Yes page nr?</p>
<p>4.2 Was the site considered as part of the most recent Forest of Dean Strategic Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment? If yes, could part of the site still be used as a Local Green Space? https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/strategic-housing-land-availability-assessment/</p>	
<p>Yes –</p>	<p>Allocation Plan Section p</p>

<p>5. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS BEAUTY? If “no”, continue to section 6</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>5.1 Describe why the community feels that the site has a particular local significance for its beauty.</p>	
<p>The sites is integral to the communities they serve and is part of the village’s character</p>	
<p>5.2 Site visibility Is the site visible from a public place? Are there views of the site from any keylocations?</p>	
<p>Yes – see photos in 1.6 and 1.8</p>	
<p>5.3 Is the site covered by any landscape or similar designations? Conservation Areas, Special Landscape Area etc.</p>	
<p>It is within the Statutory Forest of Dean Boundary</p>	
<p>5.4 Is the site (or type of landscape) specifically mentioned in any relevant landscape character assessments or similar documents? Landscape character assessments and conservation area appraisals can be viewed here: https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/landscape-character-assessment/ and here: https://www.fdean.gov.uk/planning-and-building/historic-buildings-and-conservation-areas/conservation-area-maps-and-appraisals/</p>	
<p>Yes</p>	<p>See allocations plan Section</p>
<p>5.5 Does the site bring interest from further afield to the local area? Is the site used in tourism brochures? Does it feature in well-known paintings or poems?</p>	

<p>6. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE? If “no”, continue to section 7</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>6.1 Are there any historic buildings, features or remains on the site? For example, listed buildings, scheduled ancient monuments, war memorials etc.</p>	

6.2 Are there any historic landscape features on the site? For example, old hedgerows, ancient trees, historic ponds, historic garden features	
6.3 Did the site play an important role in the historic development of the village or town? For example, part of the grounds for the manor house, site of an old railway station, village green	
6.4 Did any important historic events take place on the site?	
6.5 Is there a long-standing event which takes place on the site? For example, well-dressing, maypole dancing, market	

7. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS RECREATIONAL VALUE? If "no", continue to section 8	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
7.1 Is the site used for playing sport? Which sport? Is this sports provision free or is club membership required?	
7.2 Is the site used for informal recreation? For example dog-walking. If so, since when?	
Yes. Children's play, recreational walking, dog walking, for over 100 years.	

<p>8. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS TRANQUILLITY? If “no”, continue to section 9</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>8.1 Is the site within a recognised tranquil area? CPRE have produced a tranquillity map which can be accessed at https://www.cpre.org.uk/resources/tranquillity-map-england/</p>	
<p>It is part of the ancient Forest of Dean</p>	
<p>8.2 Why is the site considered to be tranquil? What features make it feel tranquil? Does it enhance the feeling of tranquillity within the local area? Does it provide an area of tranquillity within a busy setting?</p>	
<p>It is part recreational open space for the community and wider area.</p>	

<p>9. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE BECAUSE OF ITS RICHNESS OF WILDLIFE? If “no”, continue to section 10</p>	<p>Tick if relevant evidence submitted</p>
<p>9.1 Is the site formally designated for its wildlife value? Internationally and Nationally designated sites: Special Area of Conservation, Special Protection Areas or Sites of Special Scientific Interest Local designation sites: Site of Importance for Nature Conservation, Local Nature Reserves etc. To see if your site is designated visit www.magic.gov.uk</p>	
<p>9.2 Are any important habitats or species found on the site? These include all species of bats, breeding birds, barn owls, great crested newts, water voles, otters, white clawed crayfish and badgers. For further information on priority habitats and species please see the Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust website: https://www.gloucestershirewildlifetrust.co.uk/</p>	
<p>Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust interactive maps shows the location as being on the edge of the ancient woodland with high incidence for wildlife connectivity.</p>	

9.3 What other wildlife of interest has been found on the site?	

10. DOES THE SITE HOLD PARTICULAR LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE FOR ANY OTHER REASON? If "no", you have completed the submission form	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
10.1 What are the other reasons which make the site significant for the local community? Is the site a focal point or stopping place? Does it provide key views across or looking out of the local area?	
10.2 What features make this site important?	
All the above...	

11. SUMMARY / CONCLUSIONS	Tick if relevant evidence submitted
11.1 Is the site demonstrably special to the local community?	
Yes	CA sheet
11.2 Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves?	
Yes	See maps above
11.3 Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	
Yes but is a large site	
11.4 Does the site hold particular local significance because of... (tick all that apply)	
Its beauty	Yes
Its historic significance	Yes
Its recreational value	Yes
Its tranquillity	Yes
Its richness of wildlife	Yes
Another reason – Its value to the local community	YES
11.5 In light of the above assessment, should this site be designated as a Local Green Space? (i.e. have you answered 'yes' to 11.1-11.4 above)	

Yes, the site should be designated as a Local Green Space	