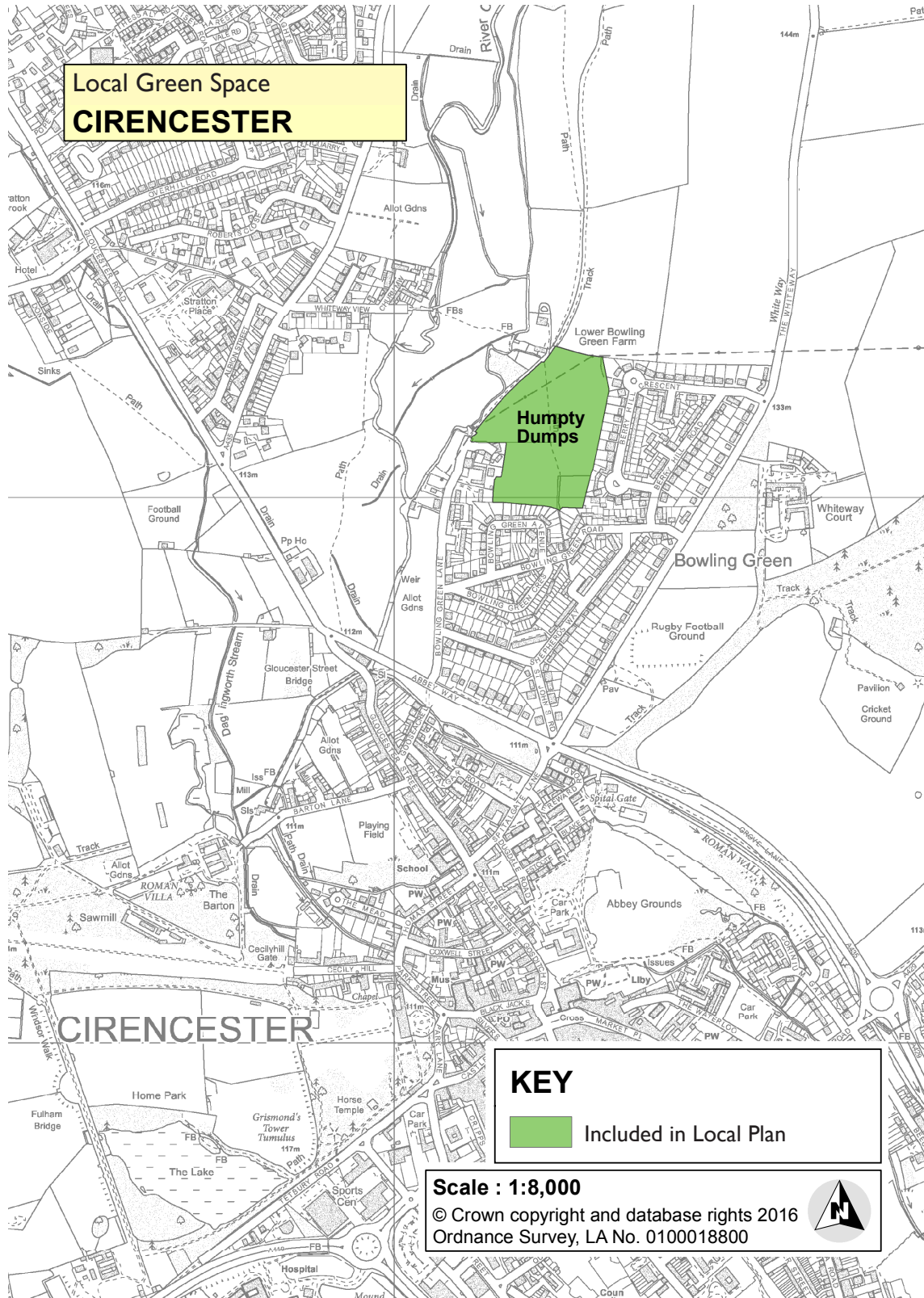


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3.12 Cirencester - Local Green Space Map



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3.13 Cirencester - The Humpty Dumps

3.16 Sites must meet all of the following six criteria in the toolkit checklist:

Point 2.1 - Relevant Planning History	Point 2.2 - Not allocated in the Local Plan	Point 3.2 - Extensive tract of land
None	NA	4.9 ha No
Green	Green	Green

	Point 3.3 - Local in Character
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	<p>Yes. The proposed site has residential streets to its east, south and south west boundaries - Bowling Green Avenue, Bowling Green Road, Bowling Green Crescent, Berry Hill Crescent and Berry Hill Road. To the north west of the site there is a working farm, Lower Bowling Green Farm and the Humpty Dumps is currently used for grazing of sheep. There is a footpath through the site and a bridle path that runs along much of the western boundary that is part of the National Trail, The Monarchs Way and part of the recently improved cycleway from the villages of North Cerney and Baunton to Cirencester. The track to Lower Bowling Green Farm is the only vehicular access to the site. Further to the west is Stratton Meadows that run either side of the River Churn, with a wide range of historical footpaths and routes to the adjoining area of Stratton. There has been use of the site by the community of Cirencester since the 1930s for sports and pastimes and use of the site significantly increased in the 1950s with the housing estate development began. Informal pathways as well as the formal footpath and bridleway connect it physically to the surrounding area as a route between the town centre and Stratton.</p> <p>Visually the site provides a link between residential and the working farm giving Cirencester residents the opportunity to experience the wider agricultural landscape – being able to view livestock and crop growth etc. The Humpty Dumps is part of the local character of the area through its social use – as the name suggests it is very popular during the winter months for snow based activities. Friends of the Humpty Dumps compiled statements from users of the space as part of their pending Village Green application that shows that Cirencester residents take advantage of the sloping site for activities that would not easily be carried out elsewhere such as sledging, mountain bike riding, kite and model aeroplane flying. The most extensive use of the land is for dog walking and walking routes through a green corridor but activities such as fruit picking, team sports, bird watching, star gazing have also been recorded. These user statements (85) are available to view on request from the Town Council.</p> <p>Green</p>
Officer Site Visit	Green
Core Officer Group	Green

Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community
The proposed site has residential streets to its east, south and south west boundaries - Bowling Green Avenue, Bowling Green Road, Bowling Green Crescent, Berry Hill Crescent and Berry Hill Road and serves the Stratton and Whiteway ward as well as the wider Cirencester community.	<p>Application made by the Town Council.</p> <p>Letters of support from County and District Councillors</p> <p>Letters from community organisations</p>
Green	Green
Green	Green
Yes, next to housing	Looks well used

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Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community
Green	Green

3.17 Sites must meet at least one of the six following criteria in the Checklist:

Particular Local Significance	7 - Beauty	8 - Historic significance	9 - Recreational Value
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	<p>Yes. The undulating land</p> <p>Views into wider natural landscape including river and woodland</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>No</p> <p>Red</p>	<p>Yes Informal games of rounders, cricket and football were recorded through user questionnaires.</p> <p>Cirencester residents take advantage of the sloping site for activities that would not easily be carried out elsewhere such as sledging, mountain bike riding, kite and model aeroplane flying. The most extensive use of the land is for dog walking and walking routes through a green corridor but activities such as fruit picking, team sports, bird watching, star gazing have also been recorded.</p> <p>Green</p>
Officer Site Visit	<p>Yes, Big open skies</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>Amber</p>	<p>Yes, walking</p> <p>Green</p>
Core Officer Group	<p>Green</p>	<p>Amber</p>	<p>Green</p>

Particular Local Significance	10 - Tranquillity	11 -Wildlife	6 - For any other Reason
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	<p>Yes – the site looks out to wider agricultural and natural landscapes.</p> <p>Birdsong can be heard and stars can be seen at night. People identify the area as somewhere to go for peace and quiet where you can look on to woodland and water.</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>Yes. Kestrels, Buzzards, Larks, Adders and bats have been found on the site. Larvae of a Death's-head Hawkmoth was recorded on the site in the past</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>This site provides a green buffer zone between parishes helping to create a sense of identity and place for each.</p> <p>The Humpty Dumps is mentioned in a book by Ian Walthew – A Place in My Country: In Search of the Rural Dream. It also features in a WW2 memoir called 'WW2 People's War. An archive of WW2 memoirs written by the public, gathered by the BBC (see www.bbc.co.uk/history/ww2peopleswar/user/71/u550371.shtml)</p> <p>Green</p>
Officer Site Visit	<p>Green</p>	<p>Green</p>	<p>Feels special</p> <p>Green</p>

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Particular Local Significance	10 - Tranquillity	11 -Wildlife	6 - For any other Reason
Core Officer Group	Green	Amber	Green

Cirencester, The Humpty Dumps - Toolkit Score:

All sites must meet the following 6 criteria in the toolkit checklist	6/6	One of the six criteria should be met	5/6
Point 2.1 - Relevant Planning History	Green	Point 7 - Beauty	Green
Point 2.2 - Not allocated in the Local Plan	Green	Point 8 - Historic significance	Amber
Point 3.2 - Extensive tract of land	Green	Point 9 - Recreational Value	Green
Point 3.1 - Local in Character	Green	Point 10 - Tranquillity	Green
Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Green	Point 11 -Wildlife	Amber
Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community	Green	Point 12 - For any other Reason	Green

Cirencester, The Humpty Dumps - Additional Evidence:

Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Support from other Organisations (Point 6)	
	Parish/Town Council	Application made by Town Council Letters of support from County (2) and District Councillors (2) Green
	Community Support – petitions/letters	Letter of support from Friends of the Humpty Dumps Green
	Letters of support from other organisations	Letter of support from North East Cirencester Amenity Society Green

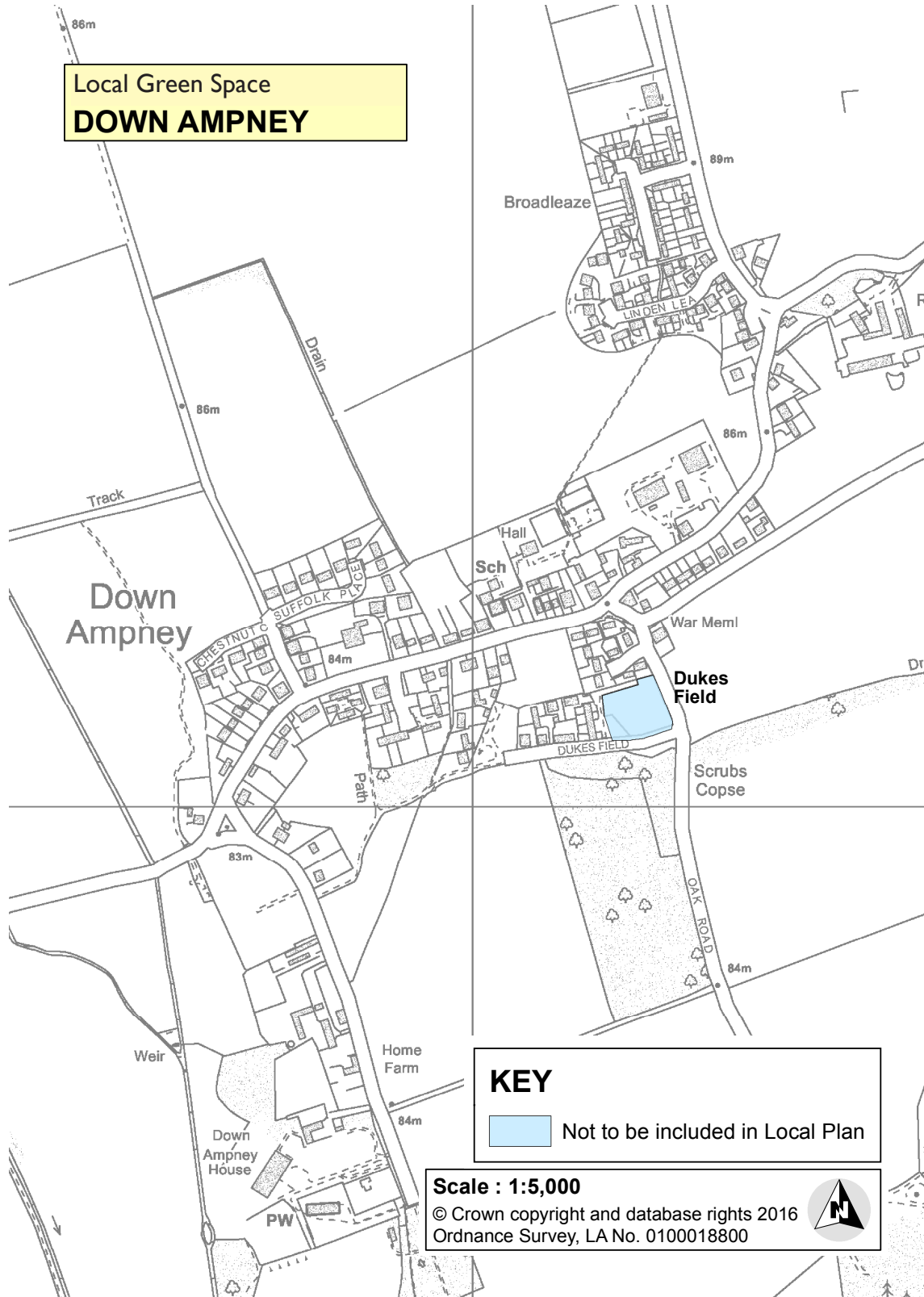
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Cirencester, The Humpty Dumps - Decision:

<p>First Meeting of Critical Friends Panel</p>	<p>Recommended for LGS designation. Good evidence that the site is "demonstrably special", extensively used by the local community for walking and informal recreation</p> <p>Green</p>
<p>Reps made to the Local Plan Reg.18 Consultation: Development Strategy and Site Allocations January 2015 document</p>	<p>1 objection from land owner</p>
<p>Second Meeting of Critical Friends Panel</p>	<p>Decision made at panel one – still stands no evidence submitted to justify change in original panel decision.</p> <p>Green</p>
<p>Reps made to the Local Plan Reg.18 Consultation: Policies November 2015</p>	<p>No comments received</p>
<p>Evidence paper update decision (February 2017)</p>	<p>Decision not changed. Site recommended for LGS designation</p> <p>Green</p>

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3.14 Down Ampney - Local Green Space Map



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3.15 Down Ampney - Duke's Field

3.18 Sites must meet all of the following six criteria in the toolkit checklist:

Point 2.1 Relevant Planning History	Point 2.2 - Not allocated in the Local Plan	Point 3.2 Not an extensive tract of land
Site put forward for housing in the Local Plan Reg 18. Consultation: Development Strategy and Site Allocations (1 of 3 for DownAmpney) Red	Allocated DA_2 Red	0.42ha Green

	Point 3.3 - Local in Character	Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Yes The site abuts the village of Down Ampney and is local in character because it is an historic feature of Down Ampney to have open space between houses as highlighted in the Village Design Statement. The village of Down Ampney is elongated in nature with houses in close proximity to the main village street with areas of paddock in between. Dukes Field is a visually open space from many directions and connecting to the wider countryside Green	Site abuts Dukes Field private access road to five homes and rear gardens of three houses in the Pheasantry. To the south side of this field is Scrubs Wood which has a permissive foot path enjoyed by villagers and walkers to the village. Green	Letter of support from Parish Council District Councillor County Councillor Local MP 39 letters of support from community Website / blog for site. www.whatsinafield.wordpress.com Letter of support from the RAF Down Ampney Association Letter of support from local school and Playgroup Green
Officer Site Visit	Amber	Green	Amber
Core Officer Group	Discreet parcel of land surrounded by housing Green.	Green	Amber

3.19 Sites must meet at least one of the six following criteria in the checklist:

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Particular Local Significance	Point 7 - Beauty	Point 8 - Historic significance	Point 9 - Recreational Value
<p>Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)</p>	<p>Yes. This meadow has a wide diversity of flora and fauna and is enjoyed by the wider community especially when walking in the area. The area is regularly observed on local primary and playgroup nature walks.</p> <p>There are open views of the site from nearby homes and from oak Road and Dukes Field Road which are no through roads used by walkers, cyclist and Oak Road is used by visitors to the Arnhem Veterans Reunion. In Down Ampney Design Statement it quotes "...opposite the school, a meadow used for grazing livestock is a key local feature and very important to the character of the village" Site DA2</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>Yes. It houses an Air Raid Shelter from WW2 for the use by the personnel who were billeted in this area when 3,000 service personnel were stationed in the village – villagers still have strong connections with veterans. There is an annual Arnhem reunion every year when after a church service and laying wreaths at the memorial at the end of Oak Road, villagers provide lunch for the veterans and their families in the village hall. There are very old hedgerows on the two sides. Dukes Field was named after a horse used on the estate. Duke was retired into this field and was a firm favourite with the school children and the forces personnel who used to get buns from the village baker in the high street to feed him. For over 70 years this area has been known by villagers as Dukes Field.</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>Used for grazing for horses at certain times of the year and when the horses are not there locals walk their dogs and pick blackberries in the paddock.</p> <p>Green</p>
<p>Officer Site Visit</p>	<p>Pretty but not beautiful</p> <p>Red</p>	<p>Red</p>	<p>Red</p>
<p>Core Officer Group</p>	<p>No - not beautiful, rural paddock</p> <p>Red</p>	<p>Red</p>	<p>Red</p>

3.20 Sites must meet at least one of the six following criteria in the checklist:

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Particular Local Significance	Point 10 - Tranquillity	Point 11 -Wildlife	Point 12 - For any other Reason
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	<p>Yes. This is a very tranquil area of the village the one vehicular access to Dukes Field which is a cul-de-sac has little traffic and Oak road is a no through road and the only vehicles to use it are occasional farm traffic and visitors visiting the Arnham Memorial at the end of Oak Road. This area is used mainly by walkers and cyclists either form the village or visitors to the Cotswold water park area. The tranquility of the area is a common them running through the letter of support for this application.</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>Yes. Not formally, but the site is reported by residents to be an area where local wildlife is commonly seen i.e. deer, large variety of birds and aquatic life as the land is very boggy on the south side and is near to Scrubs wood which has water ditches. Many letters of support for this application list the wildlife they have observed.</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>Yes. The open space between houses is a characteristic of Down Ampeny and is highlighted in our design statement. The area is of particular local significance to residence and is supported by their letters</p> <p>Green</p>
Officer Site Visit	<p>Quiet, but not tranquil</p> <p>Red</p>	Red	<p>Nothing evident from visit, but evidence that highly thought of</p> <p>Green</p>
Core Officer Group	Red	<p>Evidence provided, but nothing rare.</p> <p>Red</p>	<p>Yes – highly thought of</p> <p>Green</p>

Down Ampney, Duke's Field -Toolkit Score:

All sites must meet the following 6 criteria in the toolkit checklist	4/6	One of the six should be met	1/6
Point 2.1 - Relevant Planning History	Red	Point 7 - Beauty	Red
Point 2.2 - Not allocated in the Local Plan	Red	Point 8 - Historic significance	Red
Point 3.2 - Extensive tract of land	Green	Point 9 - Recreational Value	Red
Point 3.1 - Local in Character	Green	Point 10 - Tranquillity	Red
Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Green	Point 11 -Wildlife	Red
Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community	Amber	Point 12 - For any other Reason	Green

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Down Ampney, Duke's Field - Additional Evidence:

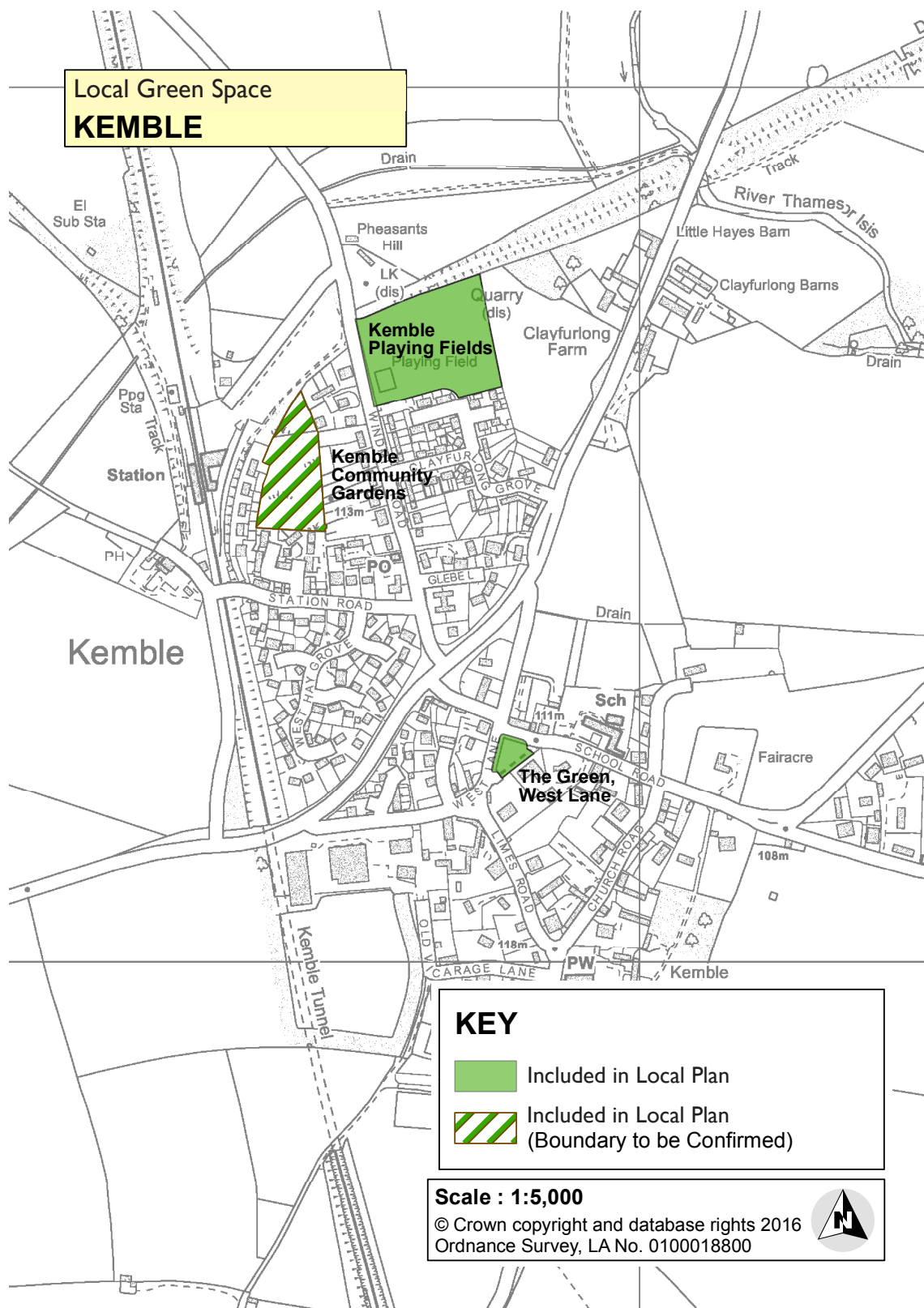
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Support from other Organisations (Point 6)	
	Parish/Town Council	Site supported by Parish Council District Councillor County Councillor Local MP (Green)
	Community Support – petitions	39 letters of support Website / blog for site. www.whatsinafield.wordpress.com (Green)
	Letters of support from other organisations	Letter of support from the RAF Down Ampney Association Letter of support from local school and playgroup (Green)

Down Ampney, Duke's Field - Decision:

Reps received to the Local Plan Reg.18 Consultation: Development Strategy and Site Allocations January 2015 document	Completed toolkit and additional supporting emails
Critical Friends Panel Recommendation – Panel meeting two	No conclusive evidence submitted to justify designation as Local Green Space. Red
Local Plan Reg.18 Consultation: Policies November 2015	No reps received
Evidence paper update decision (February 2017)	Site not recommended for LGS designation Red

3.16 Kemble - Local Green Space Map

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3.17 Kemble - The Green West Lane

3.21 Sites must meet all of the following six criteria in the toolkit checklist:

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Point 2.1 - Relevant Planning History	Point 2.2 - Not allocated in the Local Plan	Point 3.2 Extensive tract of land
None	NA	1 Ha. No
Green	Green	Green

	Point 3.3 - Local in Character	Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	The Green is historically, physically and visually part of the village. Green	The Green nestles in the community Green	Yes – Parish Council Green
Officer Site Visit	Green	Yes, central Green	Feels special Green
Core Officer Group	Green	Green	Green

3.22 Sites must meet at one least of the six following criteria in the checklist:

Particular Local Significance	7 - Beauty	8 - Historic significance	9 - Recreational Value
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Yes. The Green is attractive with its covering of lime trees which replaced the elm tree. The lime trees are particularly significant and complement those along site the roadside in the Limes Avenue which leads from the site. It is a unique green space in the old village. Green	Yes the green has been a feature for some 250 years. The beehive also has historic significance. The beehive is a dry stone structure built to shelter a public stand pipe supplying water to the cottages around the Green. The water came in a 3 inch pipe from the deep well belonging to the Great Western Railway at Kemble Station. It was built in the 1880's as a result of pressure from the Cirencester Guardians of the poor over the inadequacy of the water supply to cottages in the village. A trench dug by Kemble Home Guard during world war 2. It is the remaining such structure created which included other trenches and gun pits which were dug at the entrance to the village. It ran the length of the western side of the Green overlooking West Lane which was then the main road (A429). Green	Yes. The Green is used for dog walking The trees prevent any other use and the roads would mean it is inappropriate for ball games. There is a public bench adjacent to the beehive. Green
Officer Site Visit	Yes, pretty central space with mature trees and grassed area Green	Yes, old standing pipe visible Green	Yes. Seating area and access/walk way across the site. Feels central and important to village setting. Green

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Particular Local Significance	7 - Beauty	8 - Historic significance	9 - Recreational Value
Core Officer Group	Green	Green	Green

3.23 Sites must meet at one least of the six following criteria in the checklist continued:

Particular Local Significance	10 - Tranquillity	11 - Wildlife	6 - For any other Reason
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Red	Red	Red
Officer Site Visit	Quiet but not tranquil, surrounded by village lanes. Amber	Nothing obvious, but a number of mature trees on site. Amber	Red
Core Officer Group	Red	Red	Red

Kemble, The Green - Toolkit score:

All sites must meet the following 6 criteria in the toolkit checklist	6/6	One of the six criteria should be met	3/6
Point 2.1 - Relevant Planning History	Green	Point 7 - Beauty	Green
Point 2.2 - Not allocated in the Local Plan	Green	Point 8 - Historic significance	Green
Point 3.2 - Extensive tract of land	Green	Point 9 - Recreational Value	Green
Point 3.1 - Local in Character	Green	Point 10 - Tranquillity	Red
Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Green	Point 11 -Wildlife	Red
Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community	Green	Point 12 - For any other Reason	Red

Kemble, The Green - Additional Evidence:

Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Support from other Organisations (Point 6)	
	Parish/Town Council	Yes – Parish Council Green

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Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Support from other Organisations (Point 6)	
	Community Support – petitions	None Red
	Letters of support from other organisations	None Red

Kemble, The Green - Decision:

First Meeting of Critical Friends Panel	Recommended for LGS designation. Good evidence that the site is "demonstrably special", extensively used by the local community for informal recreation. Also noted as important visually and historically to the community Green
Reps made to the Local Plan Reg.18 Consultation: Development Strategy and Site Allocations January 2015 document	1 objection from land owner
Second Meeting of Critical Friends Panel	Decision made at panel one – still stands no evidence submitted to justify change in original panel decision. Green
Reps made to the Local Plan Reg.18 Consultation: Policies November 2015	No comments received
Evidence paper update decision (February 2017)	Decision not changed. Site recommended for LGS designation

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3.18 Kemble - Playing Field at Clayfurlong

3.24 Sites must meet all of the following six criteria in the toolkit checklist:

Point 2.1 - Relevant Planning History	Point 2.2 - Not allocated in the Local Plan	Point 3.2 - Extensive tract of land
None	NA	1.7ha No
Green	Green	Green

	Point 3.3 - Local in Character	Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Yes. The Playing Field is part of the local area. There are houses against the southern boundary and it is easy to get to Windmill Park, the fenced play area, which is in the south west corner, area marked but not named on the map. The playing field falls within the village with the highest population density, and with the greatest number of children living nearby. The local children are able to play safely by being away from busy Windmill Road. As can be seen on the map, in Clayfurlong Grove and Old Manor Gardens, this area has some of the smallest gardens, which makes the playing field doubly important for the physical and emotional development and overall wellbeing of the both the children and their parents. Green	Yes Green	Yes Application made by Parish Council Questionnaire survey from local community Green
Core Officer Group	Green	Green	Green
Officer Site Visit	Green	Yes, central Green	Looks well used Green

3.25 Sites must meet at least one of the six following criteria in the checklist:

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Particular Local Significance	Point 7 - Beauty	Point 8 - Historic significance	Point 9 - Recreational Value
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Red	Red	Yes. The playing field site is ideal for the task. It is flat, open and well drained. There is a football pitch. The village had a football team in the 1930's and there was a football team playing here in the 1960's and through to the 1980's. There were wooden changing rooms etc. but they were demolished in the 1990's when they became too costly to replace. There are facilities present for BMX and practising basketball, but no competitive teams are now played here. Comments on the survey showed that teenagers did use Facebook to come together to play football and valued the site for this. Green
Officer Site Visit	Not beautiful, but has some good views Amber	Red	Football pitch, play equipment for teenagers and youngsters – seating and benches Green
Core Officer Group	Red	Red	Green

Particular Local Significance	Point 10 - Tranquillity	Point 11 -Wildlife	Point 12 - For any other Reason
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Red	Red	Red
Officer Site Visit	Not tranquil, but quiet Red	No obvious sign Red	Meeting Place Green
Core Officer Group	Red	Red	Play Green

Kemble, Playing Field at Clayfurlong - Toolkit Score:

All sites must meet the following 6 criteria in the toolkit checklist	6/6	One of the six criteria should be met	2/6
Point 2.1 - Relevant Planning History	Green	Point 7 - Beauty	Red
Point 2.2 - Not allocated in the Local Plan	Green	Point 8 - Historic significance	Red
Point 3.2 - Extensive tract of land	Green	Point 9 - Recreational Value	Green
Point 3.1 - Local in Character	Green	Point 10 - Tranquillity	Red
Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Green	Point 11 -Wildlife	Red

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All sites must meet the following 6 criteria in the toolkit checklist	6/6	One of the six criteria should be met	2/6
Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community	Green	Point 12 - For any other Reason	Green

Kemble, Playing Field at Clayfurlong - Additional Evidence:

Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Support from other Organisations (Point 6)	
	Parish/Town Council	Application made by Parish Council Green
	Community Support – petitions	A questionnaire survey was given out to the village. Sixty people responded to the survey. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 80 % visit the playing field. Of these 44% use it in four or more of the ways offered on the questionnaire. 73% of those using the site were taking children to the play area, Windmill Park. Comments on the surveys showed that many of the 60+ age group were taking children to the play area, Windmill Park. Comments on the surveys showed that many of the 60+ age group were taking grandchildren to the play area. For questions 6 and 7, the mean of the answers is 4.5 and 4.8 respectively showing that the villagers strongly agreed that this is an important area to them. Many comments show that the playing field is valued for the social and health benefits it offers to all ages, though especially the young. Green
	Letters of support from other organisations	Red None

Kemble Playing, Field at Clayfurlong - Decision:

First Meeting of Critical Friends Panel: Decision	For LGS designation. Good evidence that the site is "demonstrably special", extensively used by the local community for formal and informal recreation. Green
Reps made to the Local Plan Reg.18 Consultation: Development Strategy and Site Allocations	1 objection from land owner

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January 2015 document	
Second Meeting of Critical Friends Panel: Decision	<p>Decision made at panel one – still stands no evidence submitted to justify change in original panel decision.</p> <p>Green</p>
Reps made to the Local Plan Reg.18 Consultation: Policies November 2015	No comments received
Evidence paper update decision (February 2017)	<p>Decision not changed. Site recommended for LGS designation</p> <p>Green</p>

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3.19 Kemble - Community Gardens

3.26 Sites must meet all of the following six criteria in the toolkit checklist:

Point 2.1 - Relevant Planning History	Point 2.2 - Not allocated in the Local Plan	Point 3.2 - Extensive tract of land
None	Site does meet, in part, the criteria. Partially allocated in the Local Plan to accommodate 12 dwellings.	0.8 ha
Green	Green	Green

	Point 3.3 - Local in Character	Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	<p>Yes. The site has domestic properties and their gardens enclosing 90 % of the boundary. Therefore there are no roads to sever it, or disrupt its function. The Gardens relate to the gardens of the houses enclosing it, and notwithstanding the property boundaries, this contributes to the feeling that the Gardens are embedded within the community.</p> <p>The gardens fall within that part of the village with the highest population density, and with the greatest number of children living nearby. The local children play safely within this wild environment which is important for their physical and emotional development and overall wellbeing. This fully functioning community space is easily accessible via a footpath and a quiet domestic road.</p> <p>The gardens are already functioning as an open space for the entire village community with designated areas being let for allotments for vegetable gardening, a shared orchard with a mixture of hard fruit trees and berries, open areas of grass and a copse with paths running through it.</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>Yes</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>Yes</p> <p>Application made by Parish</p> <p>Kemble Community Garden</p> <p>Green</p>
Officer Site Visit	<p>Yes, Feels Local</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>Yes, central to the village</p> <p>it serves</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>Looks well used</p> <p>Green</p>
Core Officer Group	Green	Green	Green

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Particular Local Significance	Point 7 - Beauty	Point 8 - Historic significance	Point 9 - Recreational Value
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	<p>Yes. The Kemble Community Gardens is a haven of tranquillity for many people in Kemble. The site is safe and fully enclosed cut off from roads and traffic making it a secure, private, relaxing getaway where you can be surrounded by nature in a semi – wild environment away from the hustle and bustle of daily life. The mix of copse, orchard, open space and bramble with hidden footpaths and clearings makes it an attractive place to be. This is further enhanced by a great variety of songbirds and insects that are present, and the back drop of the attractive cottages of the Victorian Railway Terrace, part of the Kemble Station conservation area. In the early mornings and evenings this is a very peaceful and relaxing place to walk through.</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>No</p> <p>Red</p>	<p>Yes. The Community Gardens are not for playing sport. However, local children often use the site for informal play, the school has an allotment and adults use the site for walking and gardening.</p> <p>Many dog owners, the elderly people who live in Abbots Way and other roads nearby and families with young children will use the site because it is safe and peaceful. There are two dog bins at either entrance, in the survey 28% of respondents used the gardens for exercise and 19% for walking their dog. Local children prefer to play on the site in natural surroundings where there are no roads. A network of paths and wooded areas enable children to play in safely and use their imagination in a healthy outdoor environment. As it is overlooked by properties on the three sides it is well observed for the security of the children and others. In the survey, 35% said it was place where their children played. The cultivation of the gardens provides fresh vegetables to the gardeners, gives them exercise, brings people together and educates them on gardening matters. Classes from Kemble School use the school plot in the gardens to learn about growing vegetables. All this is recognised as a way to promote wellbeing. The comments in the answers to the survey of Kemble people show that the Gardens are valued for the recreational value and how they are used. Tranquillity, preserving wildlife habitat and recreation are the most important reasons that people have for the site.</p> <p>Green</p>
Officer Site Visit	<p>Not Beautiful, but pretty</p> <p>Amber</p>	Red	<p>Yes, orchard and allotments</p> <p>Green</p>
Core Officer Group	Amber	Red	Green

3.27 Sites must meet at least one of the six following criteria in the checklist:

Particular Local Significance	Point 10 - Tranquillity	Point 11 - Wildlife	Point 12 - For any other Reason
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	<p>Away from the A429, and with the railway line being beyond and below the Railway terrace, the main sounds are often birdsong and the wind in the</p>	<p>There are two small but healthy ponds. All of these different small scale habitats including ivy on the hawthorns are ideal for a multiplicity of small birds which both nest and feed here. Combined with the gardens of the Railway Terrace and Windmill Road which border the</p>	Red

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Particular Local Significance	Point 10 - Tranquillity	Point 11 - Wildlife	Point 12 - For any other Reason
	<p>trees. It is absolutely silent most of the time but especially in the early morning and the evening. In a survey, when asked how they used the Gardens, 81 of the 119 respondents (68%) said it was a quiet place to visit, while 49% said it was a place where they enhanced their wellbeing.</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>site there is an extensive area of small habitats which allow wildlife to survive in an area of intensive farming. The Railway Terrace also provides access to the major wildlife corridor along the railway. The bird population is strong on the Community Gardens and includes the House Sparrow, Dunnock, Starling, Swift and House Martins which are all UK priority species. Substantial healthy colonies of slow worms are to be found on the site. These have always been there, but have been encouraged by the use of carpet to suppress weeds, and the use of compost bins on the allotments. Numerous sightings of Lizards, grass snakes, toads, and hedgehogs. Bats use the open areas for feeding in the summer. An ecological survey was conducted by Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust in June 2014.</p> <p>Green</p>	
Officer Site Visit	<p>Feels tranquil</p> <p>Green</p>	Green	<p>Meeting place</p> <p>Green</p>
Core Officer Group	Green	Green	Green

Kemble, Community Gardens -Toolkit Score:

All sites must meet the following 6 criteria in the toolkit checklist	6/6	One of the six criteria should be met	3.5/6
Point 2.1 - Relevant Planning History	Green	Point 7 - Beauty	Red
Point 2.2 - Not allocated in the Local Plan	Green	Point 8 - Historic significance	Red
Point 3.2 - Extensive tract of land	Green	Point 9 - Recreational Value	Green
Point 3.1 - Local in Character	Green	Point 10 - Tranquillity	Green
Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Green	Point 11 -Wildlife	Green
Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community	Green	Point 12 - For any other Reason	Amber

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Kemble, Community Gardens - Additional Evidence:

Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Support from other Organisations (Point 6) Parish/Town Council	Application made by Parish. Support from District Councillor Green
	Community Support – petitions	Kemble Community Garden questionnaire – 119 respondents - 96 per cent agreed the site was demonstrably special, of which 69 per cent strongly agreed. 7 letters of support from local community. Green
	Letters of support from other organisations	An ecological survey was conducted by Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust in June 2014. Kemble Primary School. Green

Kemble, Community Gardens - Decision:

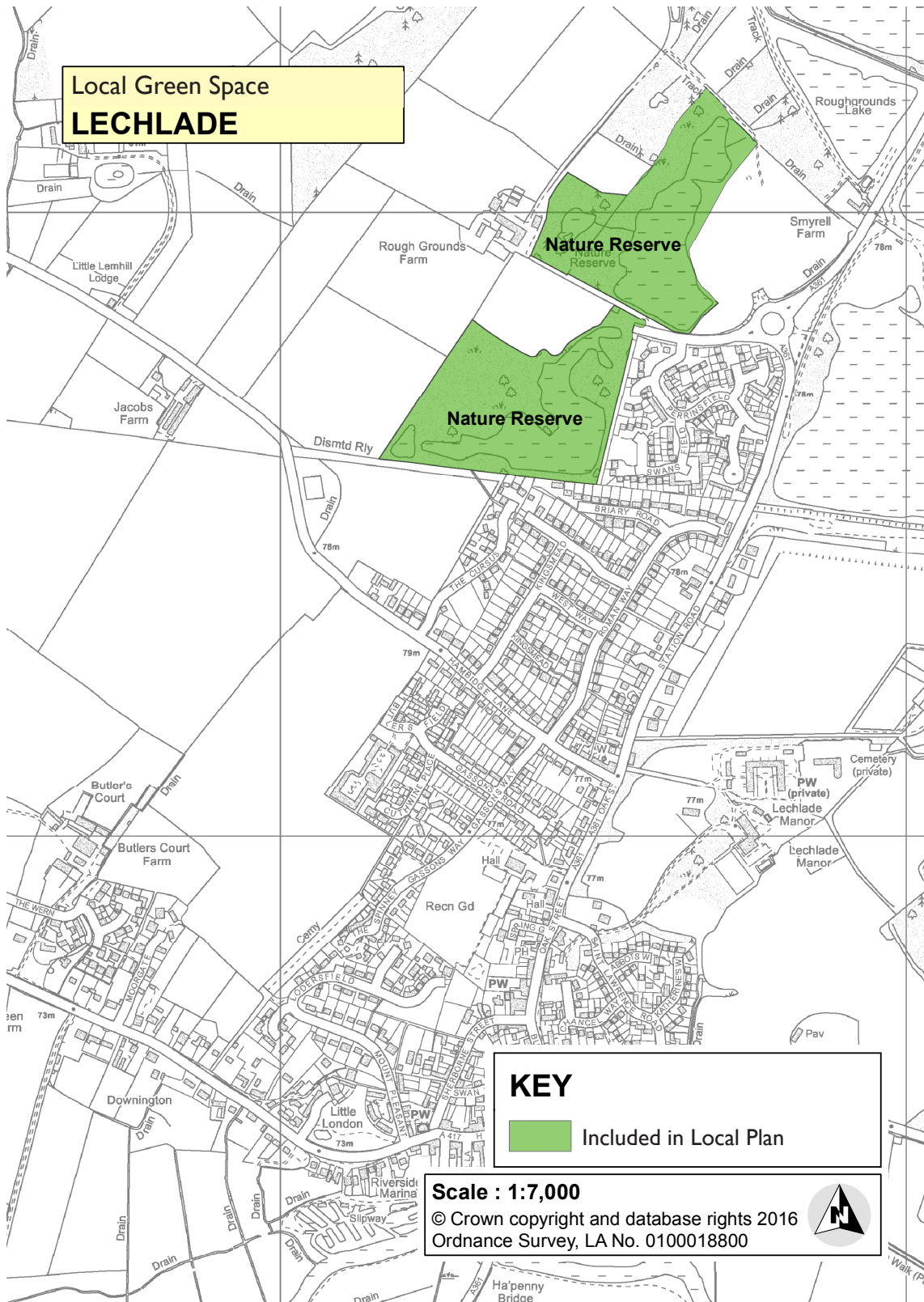
First Meeting of Critical Friends Panel: Decision	For LGS designation. Good evidence that the site is "demonstrably special" and is heavily used by the local community. The site is included in the SHLAA but it is considered that there is scope on this site to enable development to come forward while still retaining part of the site as LGS. Green
Reps made to the Local Plan Reg.18 Consultation: Development Strategy and Site Allocations January 2015 document reps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 1 comment received from Kemble Parish Council site should be allocated as a Local Green Space as a whole. ● 1 comment from Kemble Community Gardens with 36 letters of support for the whole of site to be allocated as a Local Green Space ● 1 rep from Kemble Community Gardens with 213 signatures of support for the whole of site to be allocated as a Local Green Space.
Second Meeting of Critical Friends Panel: Decision	Decision made at panel one – still stands no evidence submitted to justify in changing original panel decision Green
Reps made to the Local Plan Reg.18 Consultation: Policies November 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 109 comments received regarding benefits of Kemble Community Gardens and Policy INF3 Social and Community Infrastructure.

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Evidence paper update decision (February 2017)	Site recommended for LGS designation and the allocation of 12 dwellings Green
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3.20 Lechlade - Local Green Space Map



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3.21 Lechlade - Eric Richardson and Phyllis Amey Nature Reserve

3.28 Sites must meet all of the following six criteria in the toolkit checklist:

Point 2.1 - Relevant Planning History	Point 2.2 - Not allocated in the Local Plan	Point 3.2 - Extensive tract of land?
None	NA	7ha – No
Green	Green	Green

	Point 3.3 - Local in Character	Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Yes. The site is very much part of the local community. There are numerous properties backing onto the site and a public right of way BLE 8/9 around the south west corner as well as an extensive network of permissive rights of way. There is an active group of local volunteers who help to look after it. It is leased and managed by the Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust with help and support from the Cotswold Waterpark Trust. Green	Yes, 15 minute walk from town centre. Residential housing backs on to the site. Green	Yes – see letters of support Green
Officer Site Visit	Feels local Green	Yes, walking distance Green	Looks well used Green
Core Officer Group	Green	Green	Green

3.29 Sites must meet at least one of the six following criteria in the checklist:

Particular Local Significance	Point 7 - Beauty	Point 8 - Historic significance	Point 9 - Recreational Value
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Yes The northern lake provides a stunning vista with regular opportunities to see migrating, local birds and dragonflies. There are also fabulous views across the southern lake. Green	No Red	Yes –walking, dog walking, picnics, nature trails etc. The site became a nature reserve in 1970. Green
Officer Site Visit	Pretty, some beautiful views Green	Not evident from site visit Red	Well used footpath – saw a number of walkers Green

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Particular Local Significance	Point 7 - Beauty	Point 8 - Historic significance	Point 9 - Recreational Value
Core Officer Group	Green	Red	Green

Particular Local Significance	Point 10 - Tranquillity	Point 11 - Wildlife	Point 12 - For any other reason
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	<p>Yes</p> <p>The nearest roads are screened by trees so the site is very tranquil. Within many areas of the site you are not aware of the outside man-made environment. The reserve feels like being in a bygone landscape of wet woodland and lakes.</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>Yes - Key Wildlife Site</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>Yes - This site is both well-loved and well-used by local residents. The regular work undertaken by volunteers demonstrates the level of local support for the site. Also the high level of visitors to the site with many visiting once or even twice daily.</p> <p>Green</p>
Officer Site Visit	<p>Felt very peaceful</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>Lots of wildlife lake and undergrowth</p> <p>Green</p>	Green
Core Officer Group	Green	Green	Green

Lechlade, Eric Richardson and Phyllis Amey Nature Reserve: Toolkit Score

All sites must meet the following 6 criteria in the toolkit checklist	6/6	One of the six criteria should be met	4.5/6
	Green	Point 7 - Beauty	Green
Point 2.2 - Not allocated in the Local Plan	Green	Point 8 - Historic significance	Red
Point 3.2 - Extensive tract of land	Green	Point 9 - Recreational Value	Green
Point 3.1 - Local in Character	Green	Point 10 - Tranquillity	Green
Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Green	Point 11 -Wildlife	Green
Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community	Green	Point 12 - For any other Reason	Amber

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Lechlade, Eric Richardson and Phyllis Amey Nature Reserve: Additional Evidence

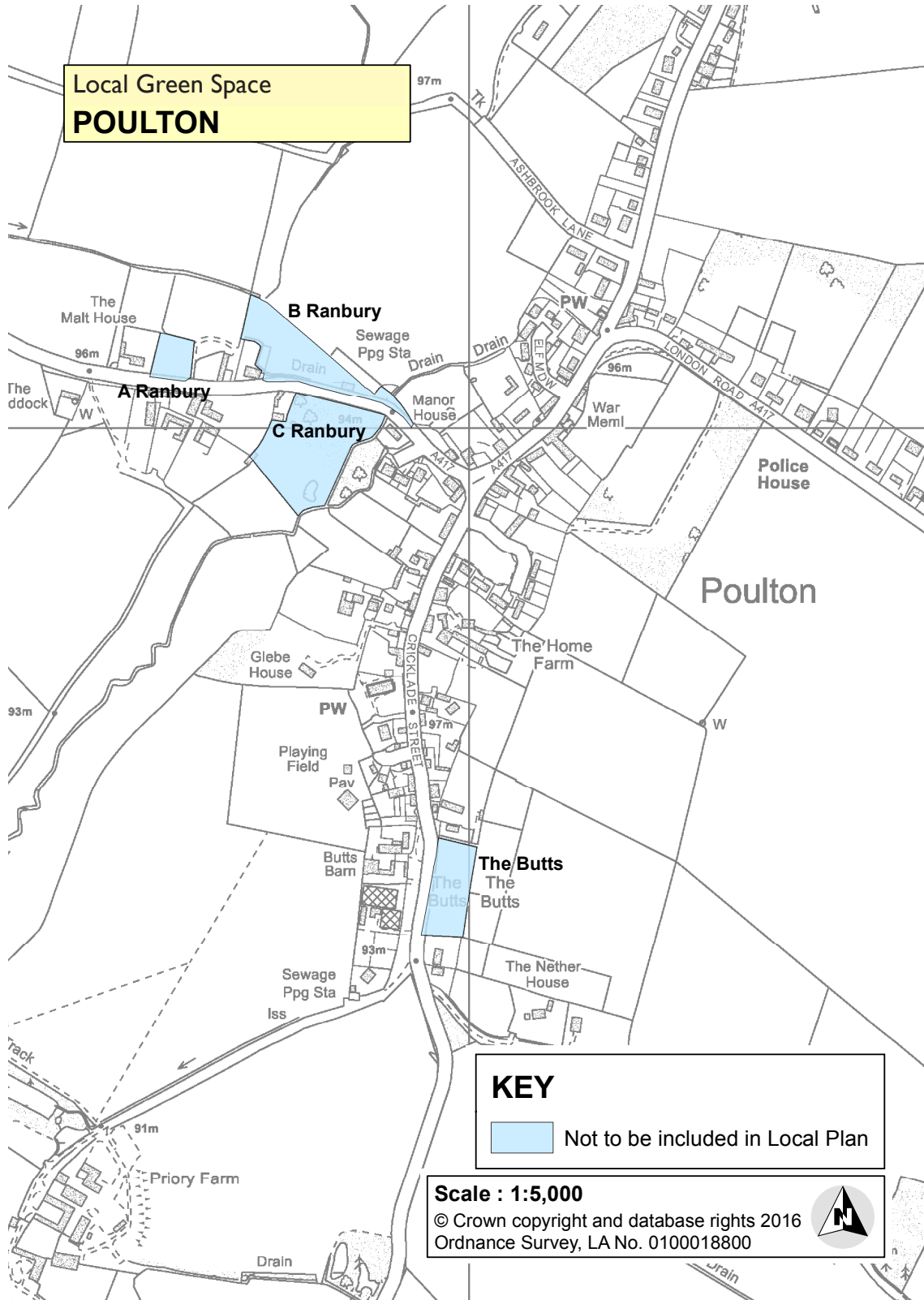
Evidence from Community Submission	Support from other Organisations	
	Parish/Town Council	Ward, and District Councillor County Councillor & Deputy Leader & Cabinet Member Green
	Community Support – petitions etc	Nomination supported by Lechlade and District Civic Society Feedback from Neighbourhood Plan consultation weekend support area for LGS designation Green
	Letters of support from other organisations	North Cotswold Reserve Manager, Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust Green

Lechlade, Eric Richardson and Phyllis Amey Nature Reserve: Decision

First Meeting of Critical Friends Panel: Decision	For LGS designation. Good evidence that the site is "demonstrably special" and is heavily used by the local community. Also noted as important to the community visually, for recreation and for wildlife. Green
Reps received to Local Plan Reg.18 Consultation: Development Strategy and Site Allocations January 2015 document	1 comment received from landowner supportive of designation, provided that its designation does not preclude any sensitive development opportunity at site(LEC_E2a)
Second Meeting of Critical Friends Panel: Decision	Decision made at panel one – still stands no evidence submitted to justify change in original panel decision. Green
Reps received Local Plan Reg.18 Consultation: Policies November 2015	No comments received
Evidence paper update decision (February 2017)	Decision unchanged. Site recommended for LGS designation Green

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3.22 Poulton - Local Green Space Map



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3.23 Poulton - Ranbury

3.30 Sites must meet all of the following six criteria in the toolkit checklist:

Point 2.1 - Relevant Planning History	Point 2.2 - Not allocated in the Local Plan	Point 3.2 Not an extensive tract of land
09/02537/FUL flood works	NA	All sites in total 0.57 Ha
Green	Green	Green

	Point 3.3 - Local in Character	Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Yes, the sites are significant as they enhance the rural approach to the village ensuring an attractive transition from the open countryside into the village. There are important local features of the village. They also have a historical aspect in that they form a 'backdrop' to the four listed buildings on the north side of the road and this appearance has altered little over the last three to four hundred years. This is therefore a major component of the local character Green	Yes, all are within the boundaries of the village Green	Put forward by Parish Council Green
Officer Site Visit	Amber	Green	Red
Core Officer Group	Contributes to the character, as do other fields that join the settlement Amber	Green	Not demonstrated in the evidence Red

3.31 Sites must meet at least one of the six following criteria in the checklist:

Particular Local Significance	Point 7- Beauty	Point 8 - Historic significance	Point 9 - Recreational Value
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Yes, the sites enhance the rural approach to the village. Some years ago site C underwent significant forestry work (assisted by public funds) and therefore acts as a reservoir for wildlife. Green	Sites A,B and C if developed would harm the setting of they create for the traditional historic buildings, especially with regard to the four properties to the north of the road all of which are listed buildings (and whose setting has been virtually unaltered for centuries) and which form part of what was originally the hamlet of Ranbury.	There is a footpath which is regularly used, crossing site B, which is used by ramblers and dog walkers. Green

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Particular Local Significance	Point 7- Beauty	Point 8 - Historic significance	Point 9 - Recreational Value
		Green	
Officer Site Visit	Green	Amber	Some footpaths across and near site Amber
Core Officer Group	Green	Amber	Amber

Particular Local Significance	Point 10 - Tranquillity	Point 11 -Wildlife	Point 12 - For any other Reason
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Yes. The footpath that crosses site B leads in to open countryside and a network of footpaths across Ladyhills and in to Ashbrook Lane, taking walkers away from the road. Green	Forestry work and its impact on wildlife Green	Sites B and C lie within a flood plain and therefore would not be suitable for development Green
Officer Site Visit	Green	Amber	Green
Core Officer Group	Green	No evidence submitted Amber	Green

Poulton, Ranbury -Toolkit Score:

All sites must meet the following 6 criteria in the toolkit checklist	4.5 /6	One of the six criteria should be met	5/6
Point 2.1 - Relevant Planning History	Green	Point 7 - Beauty	Green
Point 2.2 - Not allocated in the Local Plan	Green	Point 8 - Historic significance	Amber
Point 3.2 - Extensive tract of land	Green	Point 9 - Recreational Value	Green
Point 3.1 - Local in Character	Amber	Point 10 - Tranquillity	Green
Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Green	Point 11 -Wildlife	Amber
Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community	Red	Point 12 - For any other Reason	Green

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Poulton, Ranbury - Additional Evidence:

Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Support from other Organisations	
	Parish/Town Council	Parish Council District Councillor Green
	Community Support – petitions	Five letters of support Green
	Letters of support from other organisations	None Red

Poulton, Ranbury - Decision:

Critical Friends Panel Recommendation	Site not recommended for LGS designation, insufficient evidence to show why this site is more "demonstrably special" than other fields around the village. Red
Reps received to the Local Plan Reg.18 Consultation: Development Strategy and Site Allocations January 2015 document reps	1 objection from Parish Council that site was not put forward as a Local Green Space
Critical Friends Panel Recommendation	Decision made at panel one – still stands no evidence submitted to justify change in original panel decision. Red
Reps received to the Local Plan Reg.18 Consultation: Policies November 2015	No comments received
Evidence paper update decision (February 2017)	Decision not changed. Site not recommended for LGS designation Red

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3.24 Poulton - The Butts

3.32 Sites must meet all of the following six criteria in the toolkit checklist:

Point 2.1 - Relevant Planning History	Point 2.2 - Not allocated in the Local Plan	Point 3.2 - Not an extensive tract of land
None	NA	Size c 1.3 acres
Green	Green	Green

	Point 3.1 - Local in Character	Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	This site is significant in that it enhances the rural approach to the village. It has an extremely pleasant and open character with extensive views across Meysey Hampton. It is an important local feature of the southern part of the village and makes a significant break between the end of Cricklade Street and the turning to Poulton Priory Business Park. Green	The area is within the boundaries of the village Green	Put forward by Parish Council Green
Officer Site Visit	Green	Green	Red
Core Officer Group	Green	Green	No – Not demonstrated Red

3.33 Sites must meet at least one of the six following criteria in the checklist:

Particular Local Significance	Point 7 - Beauty	Point 8 - Historic significance	Point 9 - Recreational Value
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	This area is significant from an aesthetic viewpoint as it creates a really open and rural view within the village. As there is no housing here it is in an area free of parked vehicles, which is not the case in Cricklade Street to the north. It is probably one of the most attractive parts of the village. Green	The site is part of the parcel of land historically known as the The Butts. Green	Yes. This site is very visible from the common land opposite, which is frequently used by walkers and who have a striking view across the open countryside. Green
Site Visit	Amber	Amber	Red

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Particular Local Significance	Point 7 - Beauty	Point 8 - Historic significance	Point 9 - Recreational Value
Core Officer Group	Naturally attractive countryside, but not AONB Amber	Amber	Red

Particular Local Significance	Point 10 - Tranquillity	Point 11 - Wildlife	Point 12 - For any other Reason
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	The open aspect creates a tranquil feel especially as it provides a break between residential properties. Green	No Red	No Red
Officer Site Visit	Green	Red	Red
Core Officer Group	Green	No – no evidence submitted Red	No – no evidence submitted Red

Poulton, The Butts -Toolkit Score:

All sites must meet the following 6 criteria in the toolkit checklist	5/6	One of the six should be met	1/6
	Green	Point 7 - Beauty	Amber
Point 2.2 - Not allocated in the Local Plan	Green	Point 8 - Historic significance	Amber
Point 3.2 - Extensive tract of land	Green	Point 9 - Recreational Value	Red
Point 3.1 - Local in Character	Green	Point 10 - Tranquillity	Red
Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Green	Point 11 -Wildlife	Red
Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community	Red	Point 12 - For any other Reason	Red

Poulton, The Butts - Additional Evidence:

Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Support from other Organisations (Point 6)	
	Parish/Town Council	Parish Council District Councilor

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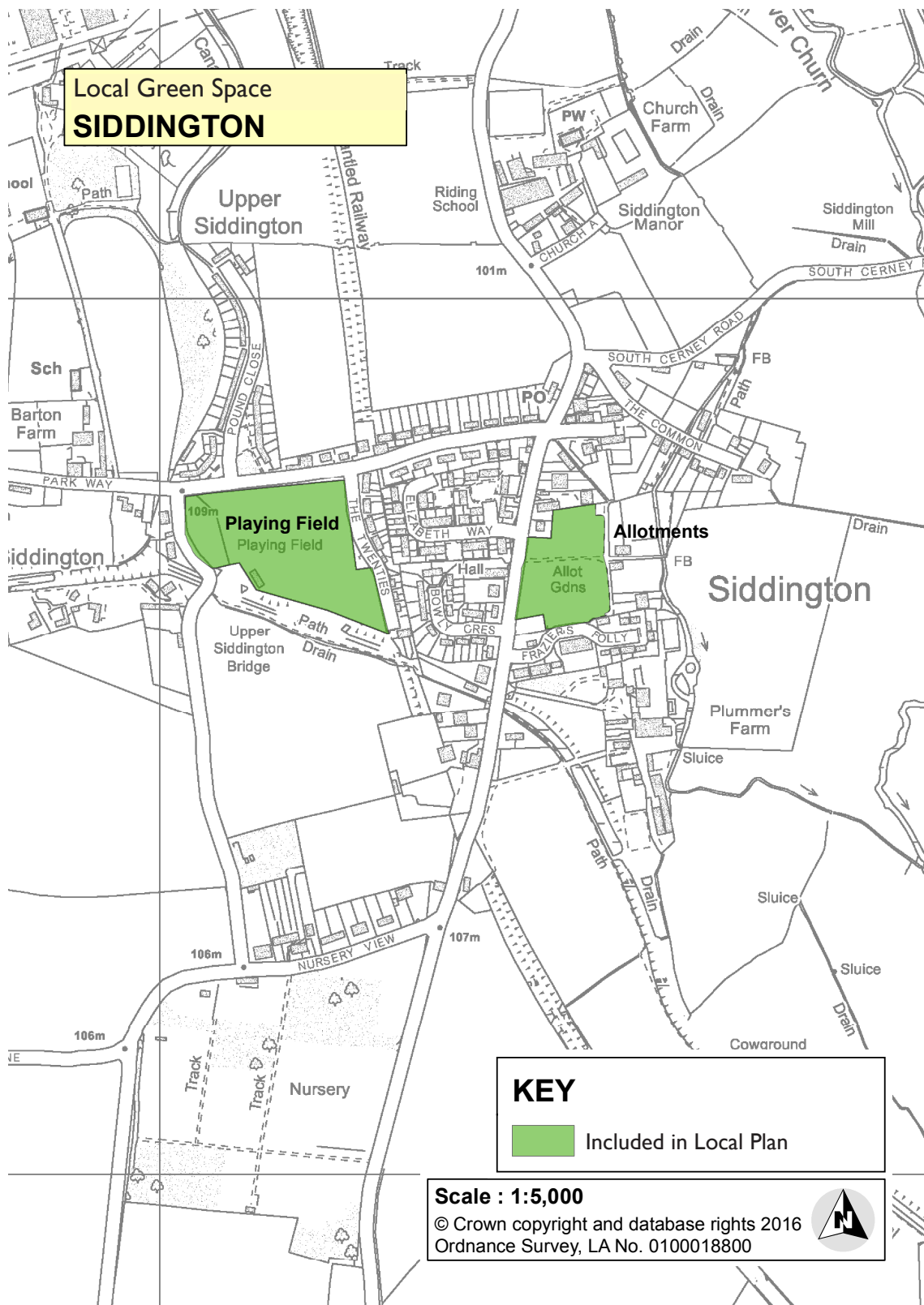
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Support from other Organisations (Point 6)	
		Green
	Community Support – petitions	Five letters of support Green
	Letters of support from other organisations	None Red

Poulton, The Butts - Decision:

Critical Friends Panel Recommendation	Site not recommended for LGS designation, insufficient evidence to show why this site is more "demonstrably special" than other fields around the village. Red
Reps received to the Local Plan Reg.18 Consultation: Development Strategy and Site Allocations January 2015 document	1 comment received from Parish Council – We are perturbed that the sites we identified as local green spaces are not acceptable especially bearing in mind that those in Ranbury have been protected in previous local plans. We would request that this is reconsidered.
Critical Friends Panel Recommendation	Decision made at panel one – still stands no evidence submitted to justify change in original panel decision. Red
Reps received to the Local Plan Reg.18 Consultation: Policies November 2015	No comments received
Evidence paper update decision (February 2017)	Decision not changed. Site not recommended for LGS designation Red

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3.25 Siddington - Local Green Space Map



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3.26 Siddington - Playing Fields

3.34 Sites must meet all of the following six criteria in the toolkit checklist:

Point 2.1 - Relevant Planning History	Point 2.2 - Not allocated in the Local Plan	Point 3.2 - Extensive tract of land
None	NA	1.1ha – No
Green	Green	Green

	Point 3.1 - Local in Character	Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	<p>The site has been a parish amenity since 1897 when the land was secured as a recreation ground for the residents of Siddington. It incorporates a children's play area, a youth shelter and the club house and pitch of Siddington Sports FC. It has been the location of many parish fayres and events over the years, including the very successful 'Siddington Games', held in 2012 to celebrate the London Olympic games. The organisers aimed to make the Siddington Games accessible to as many residents as possible by securing sponsorship so that events, games and activities could be provided free of charge.</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>The site is in the centre of the village and is within 2km of residents living in north Siddington.</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>Yes, put forward by the Parish Council.</p> <p>Support from other organisations and communities</p> <p>Green</p>
Officer Site Visit	<p>Yes, central, well used, creates natural green break in village</p> <p>Green</p>	Green	<p>Looks well used</p> <p>Green</p>
Core Officer Group	Green	Green	Green

3.35 Sites must meet at least one of the six following criteria in the checklist:

Particular Local Significance	Point 7 - Beauty	Point 8 - Historic significance	Point 9 - Recreational Value
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Red	<p>Yes. The site was secured as a playing field in 1897 in commemoration of Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee. The Wilts and Glos Standard reported on the 12th June 1897 'At a parish meeting held at the schoolroom, on Tuesday last, it was desired to secure a recreation ground in commemoration of her most gracious Majesty the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. Earl Bathurst kindly offered for the purpose a portion of a field called the Twenty-acres near Pound-lane'.</p>	<p>The site was used for the 2012 'Siddington Games'. See point 3.3 for details. The profit made from the 'Siddington Games' was used to fund the provision of a Youth Shelter on the field.</p> <p>The site has been used for informal recreation (dog walking, ball games etc.) since its creation.</p> <p>The site has for many years been used for ad hoc community events such as fetes and public celebrations.</p>

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Particular Local Significance	Point 7 - Beauty	Point 8 - Historic significance	Point 9 - Recreational Value
		Green	Siddington School and Tiny Tots Nursery on Love Lane bring children to the playing field to enjoy the facilities, which provide a safe and enclosed environment. Using funds received when the parish won the 'Healthy and Active Community' category of GRCC's 'Vibrant Village' award in July 2010, the parish council has provided picnic benches that enhance the area and draw in picnickers from the parish and beyond. Green
Officer Site Visit	No, but pretty views from site Red	Nothing obvious from site visit, but evidence supplied Green	Yes, site has a number of recreational uses including football, play equipment Green
Core Officer Group	Red	Green	Green

Particular Local Significance	Point 10 - Tranquillity	Point 11 - Wildlife	Point 12 - For any other Reason
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Yes. The site provides a peaceful and central location. It is bordered on the north side by mature trees and on the east and south sides by old hedgerows. Although it has roads on three sides, The Twenties and Upper Siddington are minor roads with little traffic. Park Way is busier but not a major road. The view from Upper Siddington, which is elevated, covers the entire site and stretches as far as the Round House in the east of the parish and beyond Green	Green	Yes. In the 2009 Parish Plan household survey, which had an 80% response rate, 42% of respondents considered the playing field and play area to be important to their household. The nearby Jubilee Flats have only small communal front gardens, so this area provides green space for the residents of the flats to enjoy being outdoors. Green
Officer Site Visit	Green	Amber	Amber
Core Officer Group	Green	Amber	Amber

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Siddington, Playing Fields - Summary of Toolkit Criteria:

All sites must meet the following 6 criteria in the toolkit checklist	6/6	One of the six criteria should be met	4.5/6
Point 2.1 - Relevant planning history	Green	Point 7 - Beauty	Red
Point 2.2 - Not allocated in the Local Plan	Green	Point 8 - Historic significance	Green
Point 3.2 - Extensive tract of land	Green	Point 9 - Recreational Value	Green
Point 3.1 - Local in Character	Green	Point 10 - Tranquillity	Green
Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Green	Point 11 -Wildlife	Amber
Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community	Green	Point 12 - For any other Reason	Amber

Siddington, Playing Fields - Additional Evidence:

Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Support from other Organisations (Point 6)	
	Parish/Town Council	Application made by Parish Council Letters of support from two Ward Councillors Green
	Community Support – petitions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gloucestershire Rural Community Council Siddington C of E Primary School Siddington Sports FC Green
	Letters of support from other organisations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Siddington Parish Plan Group Siddington Village Hall Tessa Webb – Colour in the Cotswolds Green

Siddington, Playing Fields - Decision:

First Critical Friends Panel	For LGS designation. Good evidence that the site is "demonstrably special" and is heavily used by the local community
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	Green
Reps received to the Local Plan Reg.18 Consultation: Development Strategy and Site Allocations January 2015 document reps	1 objection. Principle of designating certain land as Local Green Space is supported. Objection to the inconsistent approach in consultation document.
Second Critical Friends Panel	Decision made at panel one – still stands no evidence submitted to justify change in original panel decision. Green
Reps received to the Local Plan Reg.18 Consultation: Policies November 2015 reps	No comments received
Evidence paper update decision (February 2017)	Decision not changed. Site recommended for LGS designation Green

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3.27 Siddington - Allotments

3.36 Sites must meet all of the following six criteria in the toolkit checklist:

Point 2.1- Relevant Planning History	Point 2.2 - Not allocated in the Local Plan	Point 3.2 Extensive tract of land ?
None	NA	2.3ha - No
Green	Green	Green

	Point 3.1 - Local in Character	Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	According to the Siddington Allotment and Gardeners' Group web site (www.siddington-allotments.org.uk) the site has been given over to allotments for at least 100 years, and is therefore an established part of the parish landscape and part of the social fabric of the parish. Green	Yes Green	The Parish Council has undertaken this exercise because it believes that the allotments are a vital part of community life, provide a valuable open space in the centre of the village and enhance the lives of the plot holders. This form has been researched and completed by councillors, as noted in the minutes of the meeting in May 2014. Please refer to the web site: www.siddington.com for access to minutes. Green
Officer Site Visit	Green	Green	Green
Core Officer Group	Green	Green	Green

3.37 Sites must meet at least one of the six following criteria in the checklist:

Particular Local Significance	Point 7 - Beauty	Point 8 - Historic significance	Point 9 - Recreational Value
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Yes Green	Yes Green	Yes. The site provides a recreational facility in terms of the exercise and the mental relaxation provided when tending to the plots. Green
Site Visit	Green	Green	Green
Core Officer Group	Green	Amber	Green

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Particular Local Significance	Point 10 - Tranquillity	Point 11 -Wildlife	Point 12 - For any other Reason
Evidence from Community Submission	<p>Yes. There is very little road traffic to The Close and no horticultural machinery.</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>Some years ago a plot holder requested permission to keep bee hives on the site, which are now established and thriving and produce sufficient honey for some small scale sales locally. Given the importance of honey bees for pollination and their general decline in numbers in recent years, this is of significant benefit to the local community. In addition, the nature of the land usage attracts a wide variety of insect life, which in turn attracts birds and mammals.</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>The site has been the venue for a regular 'Jazz and cream tea' event in recent years (please see photographs) where the community comes together to enjoy the open space and share some of the produce from the allotment.</p> <p>The Siddington Allotment and Gardeners' Group, which manages the allotments, is also responsible for running the annual 'Grow and Show' event at the village hall (please see photographs), where allotment holders and other residents of Siddington can show their produce and handicrafts and compete for prizes and trophies. Most of these trophies have been donated by prominent community members of the past, reflecting Siddington's history and the continuity of local traditions. In 2011 a plot holder, was approached by Country Living magazine to write a series of articles about life on the allotments, as the magazine realised that the current level of interest in allotments is high. The resulting articles, including many beautiful photographs, can be seen at http://www.creativesintobusiness.com/archives/archives.html (scroll down to 'Country Living Magazine 2011').</p> <p>Green</p>
Officer Site Visit	Green	Green	<p>Community/family gathering place</p> <p>Green</p>
Core Officer Group	Green	Amber	Green

Siddington, Allotments - Toolkit Score:

All sites must meet the following criteria in the toolkit checklist:	6 / 6	One of the six criteria should be met	5 / 6
Point 2.1 Relevant Planning History	Green	Point 7 - Beauty	Green
Point 2.2 - Not allocated in the Local Plan	Green	Point 8 - Historic significance	Amber
Point 3.2 - Extensive tract of land	Green	Point 9 - Recreational Value	Green
Point 3.1 - Local in Character	Green	Point 10 - Tranquillity	Green
Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Green	Point 11 -Wildlife	Amber
Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community	Green	Point 12 - For any other Reason	Green

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Siddington, Allotments - Additional Evidence:

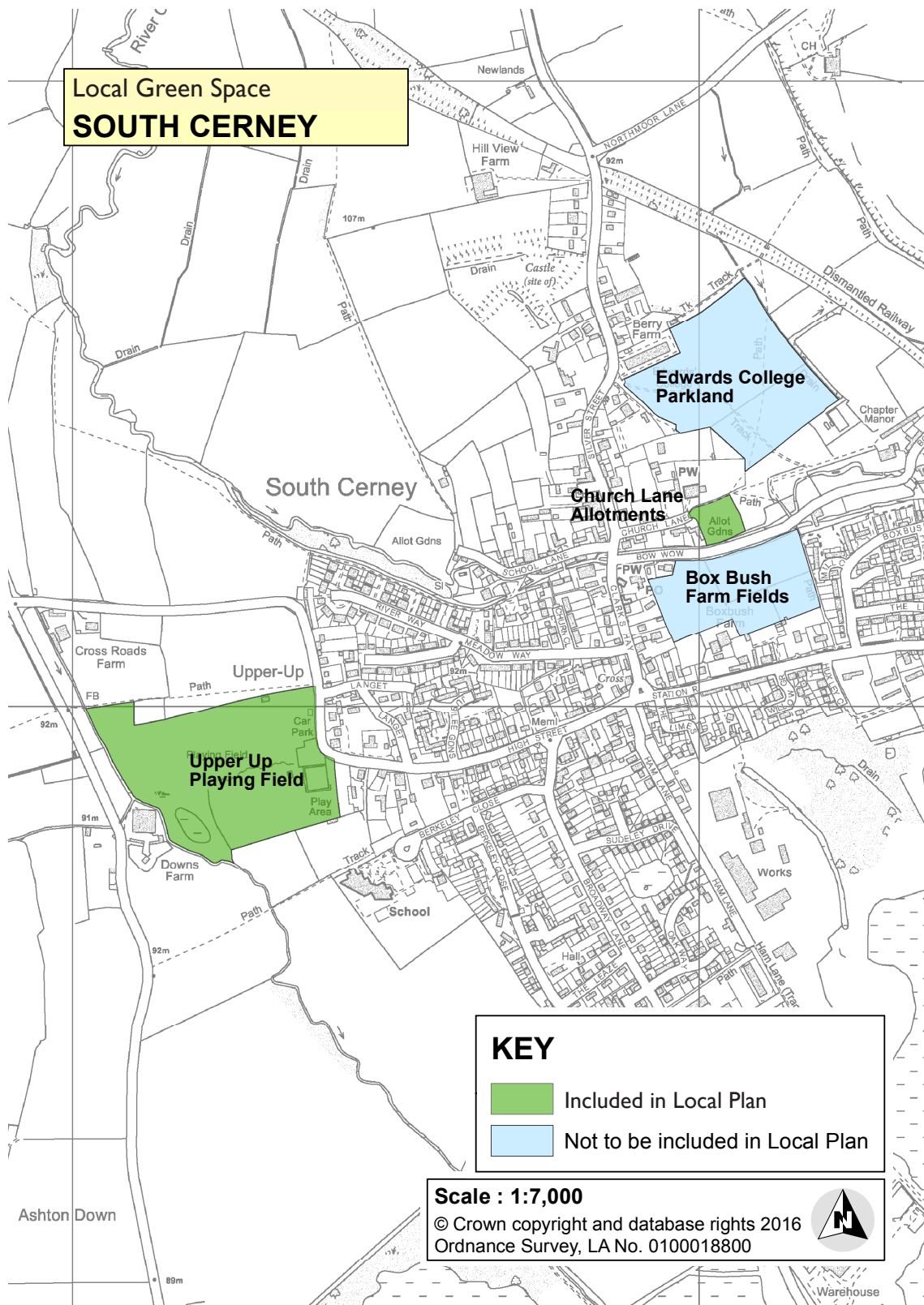
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Support from other Organisations (Point 6)	
	Parish/Town Council	Application made by Parish Council Letter of support from Ward Member Green
	Community Support – petitions	69 signatures and comments received from community Green
	Letters of support from other organisations	Red
	Other	Annual Show and Grow event Green

Siddington, Allotments - Decision:

First Critical Friends Panel Recommendation	Recommended for LGS designation. Good evidence that the site is "demonstrably special" and is heavily used by the local community. Green
Reps received to the Local Plan Reg.18 Consultation: Development Strategy and Site Allocations January 2015 document	1 objection from land owner to allocation of site
Second Critical Friends Panel Recommendation	Decision made at panel one – still stands no evidence submitted to justify change in original panel decision. Green
Reps received to the Local Plan Reg.18 Consultation: Policies November 2015	No comments received
Evidence paper update decision (February 2017)	Decision not changed. Recommended for LGS designation Green

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3.28 South Cerney - Local Green Space Map



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3.29 South Cerney - Box Bush Farm

3.38 Sites must meet all of the following six criteria in the toolkit checklist:

Point 2.1 - Relevant Planning History	Point 2.2 - Not allocated in the Local Plan	Point 3.2 - Extensive tract of land?
None	NA	2.9ha - No
Green	Green	Green

	Point 3.1 - Local in Character	Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Yes, it forms part of the idyllic rural riverside setting of Bow Wow, and it gives views across of open fields from parts of Station Road. Green	The site is in the centre of South Cerney. Green	Site put forward for by the Parish Ward Member Support Green
Officer Site Visit	Green	Green	Nothing obvious from site visit Amber
Core Officer Group	Green	Green	? limited information Amber

3.39 Sites must meet at least one of the six following criteria in the checklist:

Particular Local Significance	Point 7 - Beauty	Point 8 - Historic significance	Point 9 - Recreational Value
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Yes. Much of the village is fairly built up, so the beauty of this open pasture in the heart of the village makes it one of the most important open spaces in South Cerney. Green	Yes – partially. As agricultural pasture, this site is a significant part of the history of the village. Green	Yes. There is a designated footpath running along the entire northern edge of the site. The idyllic setting of Bow Wow – extensively used by dog walking and other recreational walks – is significantly enhanced by historic, open pastoral character of this site. Green
Officer Site Visit	Green	Red	Red
Core Officer Group	Green	Red	No, but PROW around Red

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Particular Local Significance	Point 10 - Tranquillity	Point 11 -Wildlife	Point 12 - For any other Reason
Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Yes. The site is crucial to the tranquility of Bow Wow, and also the setting and specific views of the Church. Green	No Red	No Red
Officer Site Visit	Green	Red	Red
Core Officer Group	Green	Red	Limited information Red

South Cerney, Box Bush Farm - Toolkit Score:

All sites must meet the following criteria in the toolkit checklist:	5.5/6	One of the six criteria should be met	2/6
Point 2.1 - Relevant Planning History	Green	Point 7 - Beauty	Green
Point 2.2 - Not allocated in the Local Plan	Green	Point 8 - Historic significance	Red
Point 3.2 - Extensive tract of land	Green	Point 9 - Recreational Value	Red
Point 3.1 - Local in Character	Green	Point 10 - Tranquillity	Green
Point 5 - In proximity to the local community	Green	Point 11 -Wildlife	Red
Point 6 - Demonstrably special to the local community	Amber	Point 12 - For any other Reason	Red

South Cerney, Box Bush Farm - Additional Evidence:

Evidence from Community Submission (Toolkit)	Support from other Organisations (Point 6)	
	Parish/Town Council	South Cerney Parish Council. Ward Member support Green
	Community Support – petitions	None Red
	Letters of support from other organisations	The South Cerney Trust Green