

# **JOINT MELKSHAM NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN 2 (JMNP2)**

## **LOCAL GREEN SPACE DESIGNATIONS Draft Evidence Base Report R.14**

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

This report sets out the process and evidence collection undertaken and recommendations supporting the draft Local Green Space policy in the reviewed Joint Melksham Neighbourhood Plan (NDP), which proposes the designation of Local Green Spaces in the Neighbourhood Plan Area.

### What is Local Green Space?

National Planning Guidance defines Local Green Space as:

*“Local Green Space designation is a way to provide special protection against development for green areas of particular importance to local communities”<sup>1</sup>*

Local Green Space is often shortened to LGS.

Through Local and Neighbourhood Development Plans, local communities can identify and protect green areas of particular importance to them by designating them as LGS..

Once a site is designated as a LGS, it is protected against inappropriate development except in ‘very special circumstances’<sup>2</sup> consistent with the protection of land in the Green Belt.

### What makes a space suitable for Local Green Space Designation?

The Planning Guidance goes on to set out more information about the designation, notably that the designation is for use in Local and Neighbourhood Development Plans. In Wiltshire it is Neighbourhood Plans which offer a format through which local communities can identify and protect green areas of particular importance to them by designating them as LGS as set out in the National Planning Policy Framework (shortened to NPPF) (paragraphs 101-103). Paragraph 102 sets out when LGS designation can be used:

*The LGS designation should only be used where the green space is:*

- a) in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves;*
- b) demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular local significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of its wildlife; and*
- c) local in character and is not an extensive tract of land<sup>3</sup>*

For the purposes of this assessment, a place’s ‘demonstrably special’ qualities that hold a ‘particular local significance’ are defined as:

<sup>1</sup><https://www.gov.uk/guidance/open-space-sports-and-recreation-facilities-public-rights-of-way-and-local-green-space> Open Space, Sports and Recreation Facilities, Public Rights of Way and Local Green Space Planning

Guidance Paragraph: 005 Reference ID: 37-005-20140306

<sup>2</sup>National Planning Policy Framework 2023 para. 147 - 151

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/1182995/NPPF\\_Sept\\_23.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1182995/NPPF_Sept_23.pdf)

<sup>3</sup> NPPF 2023, paragraph 102

- **Beauty:** A place of aesthetic beauty that adds to the visual qualities of the parish.
- **Historic significance:** A place with some historical importance for the local level history of the parish.
- **Recreational Value:** A place which offers formal or informal opportunities to gather and play, exercise, relax etc, supporting physical and mental health.
- **Tranquillity:** A place that offers an escape from everyday noise and activity and supports mental health.
- **Richness of Wildlife:** A place that provides important areas of local wildlife habitat.

Some LGS may only demonstrate just one of these qualities to a strong degree, but many demonstrate more than one as there are links between the separate qualities.

National Planning Guidance also sets out that the designation could be appropriate for a range of spaces, such as land where sports pavilions, boating lakes or structures such as war memorials are located, allotments, or urban spaces that provide a tranquil oasis. (Paragraph: 013 Reference ID: 37-013-20140306)

The Guidance also sets out that where sites already have planning permission, LGS designation will rarely be appropriate where the land has planning permission for development. (Paragraph: 008 Reference ID: 37-008-20140306)

There are also other specific green areas that are unlikely to be suitable for designation:

**Education sites** – Designating any Local Green Space needs to be consistent with local planning for sustainable development in the area. The NPPF (para 95) also states that the Government attaches great importance to ensuring that a sufficient choice of school places is available to meet the needs of existing and new communities and states that local planning authorities should give great weight on the need for expansions or alteration. Because of this, local green space designations within school ground including playing fields are very unlikely to be suitable for designation.

**Highway Land/Verges** - Land adjoining the highway is subject to permitted development rights and may need to be utilised or reconfigured for highway works and are unlikely to be suitable for designation, but it recognised that there could be exceptions to this dependent on individual sites.

## 2. PROCESS

### What is the process of designating LGS?

- Spaces which are considered as having the potential to meet the LGS criteria are identified
- Informal community and landowner consultation to inform the selection process
- Formal consultation on proposed LGS designation sites in two stages:
  - Regulation 14 consultation (run by the Town and Parish Council on the Neighbourhood Plan

- o Regulation 16 consultation (run by Wiltshire Council ahead of Plan examination)
- An independent examiner decides on the proposed sites for designation as part of the Neighbourhood Plan examination.

### How have potential Local Green Spaces in the Plan Area been identified?

The table below sets out the process of identification and consultation undertaken to date on the proposed LGS spaces.

| Stage   | Key Actions   | Notes  |
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| Opening consultation (May 2022)                           | Community invited to nominate spaces as potential LGS via an online map.  | The process involved an initial round of public consultation which asked the local community to nominate green spaces that were important to them. There were over 150 nominations (some for the same spaces) which were logged on an online map which can be seen here: <a href="https://www.melkshamneighbourhoodplan.org/local-green-spaces">https://www.melkshamneighbourhoodplan.org/local-green-spaces</a> |
| Short List (Autumn 2022)                                  | Shortlist of potential LGS made, and site visits undertaken.  | A topic group of local representatives reviewed the nominations and began the process of assessing spaces against the Planning Guidance and NPPF criteria for designating Local Green Spaces to produce a shortlist of 48.   |
| Informal Consultation (February to 19th March 2023)       | There was a further round of informal public consultation in February 2023 where the community were asked if they supported the inclusion of qualifying sites for designation as LGS. | Community also invited to nominate any sites they felt had been missed, however no new nominations were received.  |
| Informal landowner Consultation (Nov 22 - September 2023) | Landowners of the shortlisted LGS were notified   | See appendix 3 for a copy of letter sent to landowners.  |

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|   | in writing, and asked to comment.   | Where it was not possible to identify land owners, site notices were affixed in prominent locations at the entrances to the nominated sites, a copy of these notices can be seen in appendix 3 of this report<br><br>Landowner response information is included in the LGS detail table in appendix 1. |
| Assessment of responses, community feedback and any other relevant evidence (May - July 2023) | Assessment of consultation results led to a final draft list for Regulation 14 consultation.  | The final list of spaces and the boundaries of the spaces updated.   |
| Steering Group sign-off ( September 2023)   | Based on consultation responses from the community and landowners, draft LGS proposals for inclusion presented by the topic group to the Steering Group for sign-off. | The spaces are still considered draft at this stage. Consultation responses will inform the final list for submission (see below).   |
| Regulation 14 Consultation - October 16th - December 3rd 2023                                 | This is the first formal stage of consultation on the Neighbourhood Plan and the LGS Designations will be consulted on as part of the consultation.                   | The decision on the final list for inclusion in the submission version of the Neighbourhood Plan will be taken following Regulation 14.  |
| Assessment of responses - TO COME   | Responses to the consultation and the LGS designations will be reviewed and updates made to LGS proposals where necessary / appropriate.                              |  |

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| Submission to Wiltshire Council for further consultation stage and examination - TO COME | At the examination, the examiner will look at the evidence supporting the designation, together with landowner objectives and will consider the planning balance of making the identified area a designated LGS. The final decision is therefore made by the examiner. |
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### Landowner Consultation and Representation

Planning Practice Guidance states: *'...the local planning authority (in the case of local plan making) or the qualifying body (in the case of neighbourhood plan making) should contact landowners at an early stage about proposals to designate any part of their land as Local Green Space. Landowners will have opportunities to make representations in respect of proposals in a draft plan<sup>4</sup>.* The Guidance includes other particular points with regards to landowners: *'Designating a green area as Local Green Space would give it protection consistent with that in respect of Green Belt, but otherwise there are no new restrictions or obligations on landowners<sup>5</sup>.'*

The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group contacted landowners at an early stage in the process of assessing sites for designation as LGS with informal contact in writing in advance of the publication of the Pre-Submission Regulation 14 Draft of the Neighbourhood Plan. A copy of this letter can be found in appendix 3 to this report.

Landowners either supported, did not support or objected to designation. Some landowners did not respond, and others could not be identified (where this has been the case, site notices have been erected on site in an effort to identify landowners). A summary of landowner responses is included in appendix 1. Where there are objections from landowners to LGS designation, the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group have sought to balance the aims of sustainable development within the context of the Neighbourhood Plan review and the emerging Wiltshire Local Plan, together with strength of the evidence on the requirements of para. 102 of the National Planning Policy Framework, against the representations from the landowners. The detailed LGS table in appendix 1 includes the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group's assessment of each of the above sites. Following Regulation 14 consultation, the Steering Group will again review landowner objections when considering if the potential Local Green Spaces should be carried through to the further stages of consultation (Reg 16) and examination.

At the examination, the examiner will look at the evidence supporting each designation, together with landowner objections and will consider the planning balance of making the identified area a designated LGS.

<sup>4</sup> Paragraph: 019 Reference ID: 37-019-20140306 Revision date: 06 03 2014

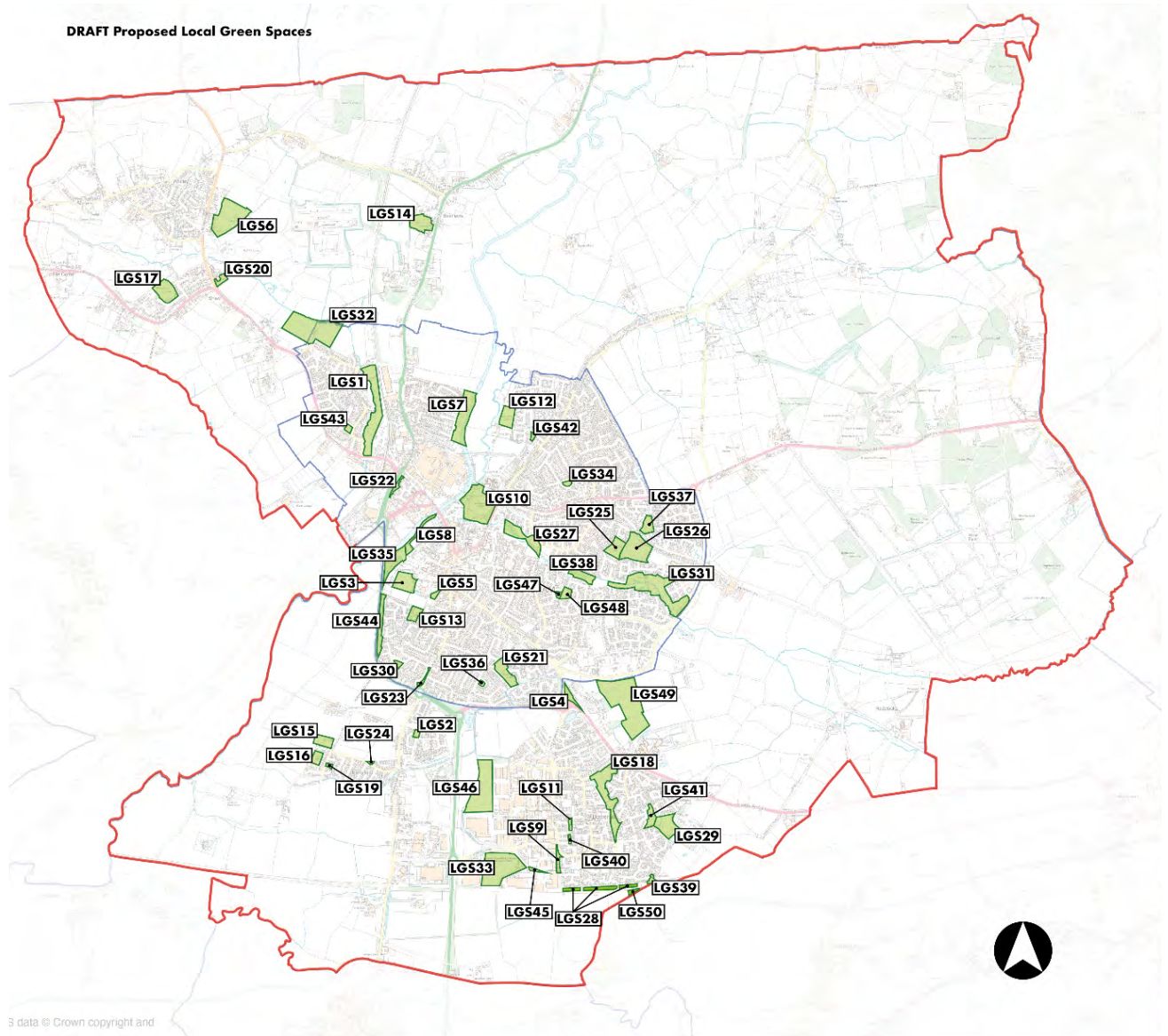
<sup>5</sup> Paragraph: 020 Reference ID: 37-020-20140306 Revision date: 06 03 2014

**3. PROPOSED LOCAL GREEN SPACES IN MELKSHAM AND MELKSHAM WITHOUT - NUMBERED AND MAPPED**

1. Land along Roundponds following South Brook
2. Bowood View
3. Recreational ground and cricket field to rear of The Campus
4. Copse area in The Spa
5. Approach to Melksham House
6. Cricket and field - community area, Whitley
7. Riverside Drive Green/Woodland Areas
8. Natural woodland area near Sainsburys
9. Land between Duxford Close and the boundary of the industrial estate
10. King George V Playing Fields and Recreation Area
11. Beverley Close Greenspace
12. Forest Community Centre Playing Field/Sports Pitches
13. Hazelwood Road Play Area (Brunswick Park)
14. St Barnabas Church, Cricket Field
15. Berryfield Allotments north (Briansfield Allotments)
16. Berryfield Allotments south (Berryfield Allotments)
17. Shaw Playing Fields "The Beeches"
18. Rear of Grasmere and Wellington Drive
19. Green in Berryfield Lane
20. Shaw Churchyard
21. Field/Old Sports pitch (to rear of Melksham Hospital & Campion Drive)
22. Weavers Crofts
23. Hornbeam Crescent/Semington Road
24. Berryfield Green
25. Foresters Park Road playing fields
26. Cranesbill Road playing fields
27. Clackers Brook (Queensway)
28. Brabazon Way
29. Hornchurch Road Public Open Space
30. Hornbeam Crescent green
31. East of Melksham (Clackers Brook)
32. Shurnhold Fields
33. Bowerhill Sports Field
34. The Crays
35. Conigre Nature Reserve
36. Sarum Avenue
37. Skylark Green
38. Primrose Nature Reserve
39. Locking Close
40. Beaufort Close to Kestrel Court
41. Harvard Close
42. Awdry Avenue
43. Roundponds
44. Walkway parallel to A350 (rear of Hornbeam Crescent)
45. Verge with stream and trees (Swift Way, Bowerhill)
46. Fields/old golf course (behind Christie Miller)
47. Dorset Crescent
48. Primrose Drive
49. Dog Walking Area to the Rear of The Spa
50. Locking Close Allotments

## Overall Map of Draft Proposed Local Green Spaces

Detailed information on each individual LGS can be found on the Detailed LGS table which is Appendix 1. to this report. Individual sites maps of these Local Green Spaces can be found in APPENDIX 2





## APPENDICES

### **Appendix 1**

Detailed LGS table

### **Appendix 2**

Individual site maps and photos

### **Appendix 3**

Landowner informal contact letter example

| Ref. | Name  | Size (ha) | Description (short description of the space and how it is used)   | Meeting NPPF Criteria / Planning Guidance |                                     |   |   | Planning Context - designations (Yes / No) / planning history   | Landowner                  | Landowner Contacted? | Summary of landowner response to informal consultation  |
|------|---|-----------|---|---|-------------------------------------|---|---|---|----------------------------|----------------------|---|
|      |   |           |   | Local in Character                        | Close Proximity                     | Demonstrably Special / Particular Local Significance Qualities  | Explanation of how the site is considered to meet NPPF criteria   |   |                            |                      |   |
| 1    | Land along Roundponds following South Brook                         | 4.39      | Open green space following along a brook and acts as a buffer between roundponds housing estate and an industrial estate. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/><br>Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Tranquility <input type="checkbox"/><br>Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>            | <p>This space is located next to a brook and has an abundance of trees, shrubs and vegetation which provide a beautiful tranquil setting. It is rich in wildlife and insects, in addition to small mammals and deer.</p> <p>It provides a clear boundary between a housing estate, railway line and industrial units and allows locals recreational space to walk in a natural and tranquil environment.</p> <p>There is a planning application on the site which includes the proposed LGS area as a green space area. Retain the designation at Regulation 14 consultation stage. Review post Reg-14 to see if Planning Permission granted or not.</p>  | Owners Stantonbury have submitted a planning application (PI/2022/06221) for this site for 112 dwellings and 675sqm flexible employment space. Public Open Space and cycle links. | Private Owner              | Yes                  | <p>Stantonbury see the delivery of improved open space, which will benefit the wider community, as integral to their vision for the Upside site. However, this can only be delivered if the open space is included and considered as part of the wider redevelopment of the site, as proposed in the current planning application.</p> <p><a href="https://development.wiltshire.gov.uk/pr/s/planning-application/a013z000018d3LAAAY/pl202206221">https://development.wiltshire.gov.uk/pr/s/planning-application/a013z000018d3LAAAY/pl202206221</a></p> <p><i>Any Local Green Space Designation occurring before planning permission for the whole site has been secured could undermine and conflict with proposals and then jeopardise the delivery of improved open space. We therefore see there are two options available as part of the Neighbourhood Plan process.</i></p> <p><i>i. The whole Upside, Melksham site is allocated within the Neighbourhood Plan for a mix of residential / commercial and open space, with areas defined, aligned to current planning application proposals to ensure they are deliverable.</i></p> <p><i>ii. The Local Green Space designation comes forward once planning permission has been granted for the site and the area of open space has been defined.</i></p> |
| 2    | Bowood View   | 0.88      | Green space within Bowood View housing development.   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/><br>Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/><br>Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Tranquility <input type="checkbox"/><br>Wildlife <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <p>A green area in a new housing development. It is a focal area of green for the new community and it great for the kids to play ball and run around. Residents would like to create a community orchard. Letters were sent to all 150 residents of Bowood View seeking their views on the potential designation of the green at Bowood View as a LGS (and shared on their Bowood View social media pages, and advertised in the village hall in Bowood View when there were events). The majority of the responses were in support of the designation with some commenting that it contributes to the green buffer between the mobile home park on the neighbouring site. It means that the Bowood View development is not overly developed, respects the heritage of the original Wilts &amp; Berks canal route and enables diversity of local flora and fauna (including the local bat colonies, birds and bees).</p> | No  | Private Ownership          | Yes                  | Management company indicated it would need to contact all residents for comment. No further response received.  |
| 3    | Rec ground and cricket field (to rear of Melksham Community Campus) | 2.39      | Recreation and cricket ground near the Melksham Community Campus.   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/><br>Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Wildlife <input type="checkbox"/>            | <p>This space is local to the community and easily accessible to the local housing estate. It's use is mainly recreational with local children playing ball games in addition to residents running and dog walking. The space also has picnic benches allowing groups and locals to meet socially.</p> <p>The relocation of Melksham cricket club to the space and the building of the new pavillion provides further access to sport and social events for the local community.</p> <p>The spaces location next to the cemetery and views of Melkshams historic church also provide tranquillity and a beautiful setting for the community.</p>  | Conservation Area   | Wiltshire Council          | Yes                  | Supportive with amendments to the boundary. (Amendments made)   |
| 4    | Copse area in The Spa   | 0.774     | This is a wooded area adjacent to the feeder road to the Spa Houses, which are of historical interest.                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Historic Significance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Recreational Value <input type="checkbox"/><br>Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <p>The area provides a natural break in front of the Historically significant Spa houses. The area is essentially untouched by man and so is a rich area for wildlife.</p> <p>The road is extensively used by dog walkers, cyclists and walkers going to and from Bowerhill to Melksham town. it provides a good sound and pollution barrier from the busy Devizes road which provides the other boundary. Given the wild nature of this piece of land it will, undoubtedly provide a much needed oasis of biodiversity. In terms of the benefit to people it provides a quiet and natural boundary which is very soothing and calming to those traversing this area.</p> <p>It provides a natural and calming green area for the many dog walkers, cyclists and other walkers who use the service road to walk between bowerhill and Melksham town.</p>  | No  | Wiltshire Council Highways | Yes                  | Highways not supportive. Highways land not normally suitable for designation as LGS, however this area of land is considered to be important to the setting of The Spa. It is therefore to be carried forward into Reg 14 consultation.   |

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|      |  |           |  | Local in Character                        | Close Proximity                     | Demonstrably Special / Particular Local Significance Qualities   |                                     |   |   |   |                      |   |
| 5    | Approach to Melksham House   | 0.528     | Small greenspace at the entrance to the Melksham Community Campus  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Historic Significance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Recreational Value <input type="checkbox"/><br>Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | This area has plenty of very old trees leading up to Melksham House. Lots of grass too and with it only being Campus traffic to the carpark it is a quiet area. A beautiful entrance to the new sports facility and the old Melksham House. The house and grounds have been a huge part of Melksham for over 100 years. The pond is being regenerated as part of the Campus project and will be a haven to smaller wildlife once it has been completed. After years of neglect this is a wonderful welcome. If there are no benches near the pond when the works have been completed it would be great for the Council to add them. To sit near the water is very peaceful. | Conservation Area   | Wiltshire Council                                 | Yes                  | Supportive with amends to boundary. (Amendments made)   |
| 6    | Cricket and field - community area, Whitley                          | 3.55      | On the eastern side of Whitley, this is a field bounded by hedgerows with a maintained cricket pitch as its focal point. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/><br>Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Wildlife <input type="checkbox"/>                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Used regularly for the local cricket team and matches providing a local community focus.<br><br>For the local community it also provides natural beauty and a calming natural experience to walkers in the area.  | No  | Private Owners                                    | Yes                  | No response   |
| 7    | Riverside Drive Green/Woodland Areas                                 | 3.44      | Open green space between housing and river. Contains a childrens play area, goalpost for ballgames and large open space. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/><br>Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/><br>Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                       | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Open space between river and housing providing a recreational facility in an otherwise industrial area. Provides a play area (recreational) for children, and forms part of a series of footpaths between Melksham and Forest.  | No  | Wiltshire Council                                 | Yes                  | Supportive  |
| 8    | Natural woodland area nr Sainsburys                                  | 0.952     | Wooded area separating supermarket carpark from the river, contains footpath and vegetation.                             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/><br>Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | This area has plenty of trees and vegetation. There is a lot of wildlife too - both on land and in the river that is to one boarder. Kids can explore the area and have fun playing in and around the trees. The benches placed along the river make it a wonderful place to sit quietly and enjoy a break from busy lives. Its close to town and easy for anyone to pop along and take in some nature.   | No  | Sainsburys  | Yes                  | No response   |
| 9    | Land between Duxford close and the boundary of the industrial estate | 0.317     | Green space between Bader Park housing and Hercules Way industrial estate  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/><br>Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/><br>Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Tranquility <input type="checkbox"/><br>Wildlife <input type="checkbox"/>   | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Used by locals as an additional recreational area which supplements the outside space for local houses. It is a great play for local children to get together and safely play ball games and the wider community to meet socially. Green area with several mature trees including a weeping willow and crabapple tree. Bounded by Bader Park on 2 sides, Duxford Close and the houses behind. There is a small brook running through it a very tranquil green area with a variety of habitat suitable for wildlife. Evidence of dog walking found!  | No  | Wiltshire Council                                 | Yes                  | Supportive  |
| 10   | King George V Playing and recreation area inc. Landing Stage         | 5.16      | Central park space with variety of recreation opportunities.   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Historic Significance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Open space used by locals and others travel to use facilities including boating club, skateboarding, splashpad, dog runs, playground, exercise equipment. Space used for local River and Food festival once a year. Nice place to go for a relaxing walk away from traffic noise and pollution. There are swans, ducks and possibly other wildlife in the adjacent river and birds in the trees and undergrowth. Protected since September 1937 with fieldsintrust.org.   | No  | Melksham Town Council leased from Fields in Trust | Yes                  | Support designation.<br><br>Protected by Fields in Trust. They have have no objection to land protected with us being designated as Local Green Space, but the designation alone will only give land a measure of protection under planning law - it will not have the same degree of protection as it would with a Deed of Dedication. |
| 11   | Beverley Close greenspace  | 0.26      | Greenspace within the Bowerhill residential development adjacent to Kestrel Court play area.                             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/><br>Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/><br>Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                       | <input type="checkbox"/>            | One of a series of green spaces that run through the centre of Bowerhill residential developments. Creating quiet and calm greenspace populated with trees and grass areas. Allows space for local residents to exercise dogs, meet and access nature close to home. Important to the character of the area.  | No  | Wiltshire Council                                 | Yes                  | Supportive  |
| 12   | Forest community centre playing fields/sports pitches                | 1.53      | Green space with football pitch adjacent to housing estate.  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/><br>Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Football pitch regularly used by the community. Walks around the outside of field for dog walkers. Start of a longer peaceful walk to Lacock. Gives access to community allotments. Good green space surrounded by housing.   | No  | Wiltshire Council                                 | Yes                  | Supportive  |
| 13   | Hazelwood Road Play Area (Brunswick Park)                            | 0.74      | This is a green space is located within a housing estate and close to sheltered accomodation.                            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | It is easily accessible by all members of the community with several entrances and a level path around the space. It has both a fully equipped childrens playground and a MUGA allowing for recreational activities such as basketball, netball, and football for both young and old. The   | No  | Wiltshire Council                                 | Yes.                 | <b>Supportive</b> - subject to amends on site boundary (amendments made)  |

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|      |  |           |  | Local in Character                        | Close Proximity                     | Demonstrably Special / Particular Local Significance Qualities   |  |   |   |           |  |  |
|      |  |           |  |   |                                     | Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/><br>Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br><br>Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  | such as basketball, netball, and football for both young and old. The MUGA is also used by the local school for a cycling proficiency safe space. In addition there are benches around the site allowing for rest and social meeting places as well as large grass areas for picnicing and additional recreational space.<br><br>The edges of the park have numerous plants, bushes and trees which support a wide variety of wildlife from insects and birds to small mammals. The local residents have created bee hotels and installed bird and bat boxes to support this wildlife. It is a quiet and tranquil spot which is beautiful with the addition of spring bulbs and summer flowers donated and planted by local residents. |   |   |           |  |  |
| 14   | St Barnabas Church, Cricket Field                    | 1.07      | Green space to the rear of St. Barnabas Church.  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Historic Significance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Use extensively by the community for cricket, boules and play. Nearly 600 trees planted as part of the Queen's Canopy.   | No  | Diocese of Salisbury  | Yes       | Contacted Church as a courtesy and they have responded as follows: 'I would note that the field (formally known as 'Hedgeleaze') was left to St Barnabas Church to be kept as green open space and can be used as an extension to the churchyard.<br><br>The Diocese have left the management of the field in the hands of the St Barnabas Local Church Committee but the Diocese has ownership.             |  |
| 15   | Berryfield allotments north (Briansfield Allotments) | 0.59      | One of two neighbouring allotments offering productive area for local residents. Excellent for physical and mental health.   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/><br>Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/><br>Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                       | These allotments have long been part of this little community, providing users with more than fruit and veg. For some it helps with mental and physical health; for others it provides an opportunity for a little social interaction.   | No  | Melksham Without allotments but land owned by private owner.  | Yes       | No comment to make   |  |
| 16   | Berryfield allotments south (Berryfield Allotments)  | 0.557     | One of two neighbouring allotments offering productive area for local residents. Excellent for physical and mental health.   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/><br>Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/><br>Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                       | These allotments have long been part of this little community, providing users with more than fruit and veg. For some it helps with mental and physical health; for others it provides an opportunity for a little social interaction.   | No  | Melksham Without allotments but land owned by private owner.  | Yes       | No comment to make   |  |
| 17   | Shaw Playing Fields "The Beeches"                    | 1.81      | Playing field with childrens play equipment adjacent to local village hall. Used by local football teams and village fetes etc.  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/><br>Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Tranquility <input type="checkbox"/><br>Wildlife <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | Provides an integral part of the Shaw village hall recreational facility, and is used by local sporting organisations. Young children benefit from the equipment and annual fetes are hosted in the grounds. As its significantly higher than the part of Whitley closest to the space, the view across the fields is excellent.   | No  | Melksham Without Parish Council                               | Yes       | Melksham Without Parish Council No Comment Min 374(a)/22. Response from Shaw Hall Management Committee: The committee feels that designation as a green space would be important protection for what is an open green space that offer links to local footpaths for extended recreational activities. It is also noteworthy that it falls outside of the current village boundary as shown on the map below. |  |
| 18   | Rear of Grasmere and Wellington Drive                | 3.57      | Large public open space area surrounded by residential development.  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/><br>Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>            | Used by children and adults and dog walkers. It has wildlife and copses of wooded areas that have been used by the public since about the late 1980s early 1990s as a recreation area. Now partially used for rewilding.   | No  | Wiltshire Council   | Yes       | <b>Supportive</b> with amends to site boundary. (amendments made)  |  |
| 19   | Green with trees in Berryfield Lane                  | 0.081     | Small strip of land in Berryfield Housing Estate   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/><br>Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/><br>Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Wildlife <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | Quiet open space with mature trees providing recreational opportunities for residents.   | No  | Selwood Housing   | Yes.      | Owners do not have any concerns regarding the designation of this site.  |  |
| 20   | Shaw churchyard                                      | 0.429     | Churchyard near Shaw School, providing an osais of peace near a busy traffic junction and provding an area where children at the school can be taught about local history. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/><br>Historic Significance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Recreational Value <input type="checkbox"/><br>Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Wildlife <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | Is a commonwealth grave site that provides a historic and tranquil space for the community.  | No  | Diocese of Salisbury  | Yes       | No Response  |  |
| 21   | Field/old sports                                     | 1.35      | Field and recreational area  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/>  | A wonderful field for both dog walkers, walkers and kids playing ball  | No  | Wiltshire   | Yes       | <b>Supportive</b> of designation   |  |

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|      |   |           |  | Local in Character                        | Close Proximity                     | Demonstrably Special / Particular Local Significance Qualities |  |   |   |   |  |   |   |                                   |  |
|      | pitch to rear of Melksham Hospital & Campion Drive) |           | separating Windsor Avenue and Cornflower Way housing developments.   |   |                                     | Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/>                 | Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                 | Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                  | games. Plenty of room for all to enjoy. Mainly grass but surrounded by trees and bushes at the boarder. Lots of wildlife - insects, birds and some small mammals. |  | Council partial owner. Site notices fixed to areas outside of WC ownership. |   |                                   |  |
| 22   | Weavers Crofts                                      | 0.412     | Wooded area seperating the A350 from Weavers Crofts housing development with some some open grass areas.             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/>                                | Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/>         | Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>          | Tranquility <input type="checkbox"/>                          | Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  | Provides a habitat for birds and insects due to trees and wildflowers and fauna. Also provides recreational area for children to meet and play ball games that they dont have the space to play in their own gardens. The space is frequently used by dog walkers to excercise and socialise.  | No  | Unknown   |                                   | Efforts to identify the landowner have included Land Registry Searches and the physical installation of a notice on the site on 28 April 2023.   |
| 23   | Hornbeam Crescent/Semington Road                    | 0.274     | Green area at the front of Hazelwood Estate creating a buffer between the estate and the A350.                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/>                                | Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/>         | Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>          | Tranquility <input type="checkbox"/>                          | Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  | This is a green area at the front of Hazelwood Estate. It has been used by dog walkers for decades (I walked our dog there 40 years ago) and continues to be used by them. There are plenty of older trees as well as daffodills in the spring, making it look beautiful.  | No  | Wiltshire Council   | Yes                               | <b>Supportive</b> of designation   |
| 24   | Berryfield Green                                    | 0.087     | Small triangular greenspace within Berryfield Park development.  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/>                                | Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/>         | Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>          | Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>               | Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  | Green space used by children to play and dogwalkers. Plenty of wildlife sharing the space too. Provides important green space used by children to play and for dogwalkers. There are several trees which provide a habitat for birds and insects, as well as shade for the children playing in the Summer months. This is where Melksham Without Parish Council are planning on planting a tree to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee in November (we missed last year's planting season!)  | No  | Selwood   | Yes                               | Owners do not have any concerns regarding the designation of this area.  |
| 25   | Foresters Park Road playing fields                  | 1.42      | Large greenspace off Foresters Park Road surrounded by trees to the southern and eastern edge.                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/>                                | Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/>         | Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>          | Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>               | Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  | Footpath link between field at rear of school and footpaths towards Primrose nature reserve. Used by community for dog walking. Used by families for social events. Historical hedgerow provides habitat for wildlife. Enclosed by housing, so easy access for community to access.  | No  | Melksham Town Council   | Yes                               | MTC - Approve - Min 428/22   |
| 26   | Cranesbill Road playing fields                      | 3.95      | Green space with playground provided in the centre of the East of Melksham housing estate.                           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                     | Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/>         | Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>          | Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>               | Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  | Good views apparant from the top towards Roundway and Seend. Peaceful area for picnics with a few trees and blackberrys. Crows and Starlings frequent the area. Used by dog owners for walking. Shrub habitat on the fringes help to support butterflies.  | No  | Managemet company: GreenSquare Accord                           | Yes. 17 Nov. Reminder sent 12 Jan | No response  |
| 27   | Clackers Brook (Queensway)                          | 1.75      | Greenspace following a brook in the centre of Melksham Town stretching out to the east of Melksham.                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                     | Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/>         | Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>          | Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>               | Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  | A peaceful walk via an open green space with trees, water, nettles etc from housing into Melksham Town. Supports various wildlife e.g. butterflies and birds.  | No  | Wiltshire Council partial owner. Selwood Housing partial owner. | Yes                               | WC and Selwood Housing <b>Supportive</b>   |
| 28   | Brabazon Way  | 2         | Green space adjacent to housing estate with some trees and a road running through, valued highly by local residents. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/>                                | Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/>         | Recreational Value <input type="checkbox"/>                     | Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>               | Wildlife <input type="checkbox"/>   | Bowerhill Residents Action Group (BRAG) have created a re-wilding area to increase biodiversity in the area. Various wild plants have been planted such as rattle and snowdrops. There are proposals to plant fruit trees in install, benches and picnic tables in order to encourage people to sit and enjoy the tranquility of the area and the countryside views to the South. – they have recently been the recipient of a Wessex Water grant for rewilding, and are in the progress of negotiating a Gardeners Licence with Wiltshire Council to maintain the land. | No  | Wiltshire Council   | Yes                               | Supportive subject to amends (amends made).  |
| 29   | Hornchurch green                                    | 1.67      | Recreational space within Hornchurch Road development.   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                     | Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/>         | Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>          | Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>               |   | Used by locals for recreational and social activities throughout the year. Has a well used childrens play area and MUGA allowing for football and basketball and other games in all weathers. It provides a large green open space for dog walking, ball games, cricket and excercise for the adjacent estate. Bushes, shrubs and trees on the perimeter provide   | No  | Wiltshire Council & Melksham Without Parish                     | Yes                               | Ownership excludes paths that cross the site and play area as MWPC responsible for. <b>SUPPORTIVE</b> of designation as it relates to WC ownership. MWPC Do not supportive of play area and MUGA being included as not green spaces (MIn 374(a)/22 (amended to reflect this) |

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|      |                                   |           |  | Local in Character                        | Close Proximity                     | Demonstrably Special / Particular Local Significance Qualities                   |   |   |   |  |                                 |   |
|      |                                   |           |  |   |                                     | Wildlife   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>   | habitat for birds, insects and small mammals. The area provides a lush, beautiful, safe and tranquil space for locals to enjoy the outdoors and provides walking access to the canal path.  |   | Council  |                                 |   |
| 30   | Hornbeam Crescent green           | 0.3       | Green space that is surrounded by bungalows on the Hazelwood Estate  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty<br>Historic Significance<br>Recreational Value<br>Tranquility<br>Wildlife | <input type="checkbox"/><br><input type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br><input type="checkbox"/>                                  | This is a lovely flat grassy area. It is all level green space that is surrounded by bungalows on the Hazelwood Estate. Used by children to play football, tag etc since the estate was built in the 1960's. It is a quiet area of the estate with not too many cars near by. Children on the estate as well as kids in estates nearby have used this green to meet friends, hang out and play. Not too much wildlife as only grass.  | No  | Wiltshire Council  | Yes. 16 Nov                     | <b>Supportive</b> subject to amends to site boundary (amends made).   |
| 31   | East of Melksham (Clackers Brook) | 5.67      | Green corridor following a brook. Part of a wider space that connects the centre of the town to the surrounding countryside.                                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty<br>Historic Significance<br>Recreational Value<br>Tranquility<br>Wildlife | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br><input type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/>            | Designated flood plain. Green corridor in middle of newish housing development. Swifts return to brook year after year to build nests in local houses. Grass is kept long in summer with mown pathways to support local walks and wildlife.   | No  | Wiltshire Council partial owner. Site Notice affixed to areas outside of WC ownership. | Yes                             | <b>Supportive.</b>  |
| 32   | Shurnhold Fields                  | 5.21      | Land described as a 'country park' providing walking, play areas and tranquility near the new housing site. Footpath between A365 and Beanacre passes through site | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty<br>Historic Significance<br>Recreational Value<br>Tranquility<br>Wildlife | <input type="checkbox"/><br><input type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br><input type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                  | Public Open Space. A joint project between both the Town Council and Melksham Without Parish Council. Hundreds of trees have been planted, including a copse to commemorate 100 years since WWI. Used for variety of purposes including exercising of dogs, walking and running and casual ball games.  | No  | Split between the Town Council and Melksham Without                                    | Yes. 17 Nov to Town and Without | MWPC: No comment to make Min 374(a)/22. MTC Approve Min 428/22)   |
| 33   | Bowerhill Sports Field            | 5.01      | Public Open Space. Protect by Fields in Trust as a Jubilee Field.  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty<br>Historic Significance<br>Recreational Value<br>Tranquility<br>Wildlife | <input type="checkbox"/><br><input type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                       | Well used sports ground, visit any afternoon or weekend to see how popular as a sports and recreation spot that it is. Is well used by football clubs. Is surrounded by trees and hedges on several sides. Known to be a habitat for both owls and rabbits, as well as birds.   | Protected by Fields in Trust.                                 | Melksham Without Parish Council  | Yes. 17 Nov                     | MWPC: No comment to make Min 374(a)/22<br><br>Fields in Trust have no objection to land protected with us being designated as Local Green Space, but the designation alone will only give land a measure of protection under planning law – it will not have the same degree of protection as it would with a Deed of Dedication. |
| 34   | The Crays                         | 0.24      | Small semi-circular green space within housing estate.   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty<br>Historic Significance<br>Recreational Value<br>Tranquility<br>Wildlife | <input type="checkbox"/><br><input type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br><input type="checkbox"/><br><input type="checkbox"/>   | This green open space is in the middle of a housing estate providing easy access for residents. It provides a great place for children to meet and play football and other ball games which need more space than their gardens provide. It is also near St Andrews Church and provides a place for residents to meet prior and after church.  | No  | Selwood Housing  | Yes. 17 Nov                     | Do not have any concerns regarding this designation.  |
| 35   | Conigre Nature Reserve            | 2         | Nature reserve in the centre of Melksham town, alongside river providing a connect to nature.  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty<br>Historic Significance<br>Recreational Value<br>Tranquility<br>Wildlife | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br><input type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/>            | This Nature Reserve is wonderful to get away from the busy town life. You feel miles away from the town, eventhough you are only a few minutes walk from it. The Reserve is used to give fun days/ talks to kids about nature in the summer holidays as well as by some local schools. Gives a real feel of being immersed in nature. The ponds are a huge hit with the kids - who can see (and gently) touch pond life. There are benches to sit on and paths for a gentle walk through the reserve. A fabulous space. | No  | Wiltshire Wildlife Trust. Trust HQ, Elm Tree Court, Long Street, Devizes, SN10 1NJ     | Yes. 17 Nov                     | No response   |
| 36   | Sarum Avenue                      | 0.18      | This is a green on The Morgans Estate, surrounded by houses on Sarum Avenue  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty<br>Historic Significance<br>Recreational Value<br>Tranquility<br>Wildlife | <input type="checkbox"/><br><input type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br><input type="checkbox"/><br><input type="checkbox"/>   | This space has been used by children - both from the estate and neighbouring ones to play ball, meet friends and hang out socially. It has been part of life on the Estate for over 50 years when the estate was built.   | No  | Galliford Construction   | Yes                             | No response   |
| 37   | Skylark Green                     | 0.675     | Green open space within a newly developed housing area   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty<br>Historic Significance<br>Recreational Value<br>Tranquility<br>Wildlife | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Used by the local community daily for recreation and dog walking. Local church use the area for fun days for the whole community. Hedgerows provide habitat for nesting birds. Large established trees which pre-date the housing development.  | No  | Private Owner  | Yes                             | No response   |
| 38   | Primrose Nature                   | 0.983     | Nature reserve forming part of the green   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>   | Green area that has been developed by the local community for the   | No  | Wiltshire  | Yes                             | <b>Supportive</b>   |

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|      |  |           |  | Local in Character                        | Close Proximity                     | Demonstrably Special / Particular Local Significance Qualities |   |   |   |  |  |  |                   |          |  |
|      | Reserve  |           | corridor along the Clackers Brook.   |   |                                     | Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/>                 | Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    | Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                 | Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                  | whole local community. It provides feeding stations for birds, habitat for hedgehogs and logs to support smaller insects. Beautiful tranquil recreation space with seating and circular walk amongst trees and by water. |  | Council partial owners, Site notice affixed to                     |                   |          |  |
| 39   | Locking Close  | 0.167     | Greenspace boarded by trees off Locking Close with footpath connecting to canal path.  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/>                                | Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/>            | Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>          | Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>               | Wildlife <input type="checkbox"/>  | Provides access to the canal footpath and picnic area. This green open space is adjacent to a housing estate and provides a place for local children to meet and play football and cricket. The site is enclosed by shrubbery and is a safe and tranquil place for locals residents to meet and socialise safely.  | No   | Wiltshire Council | Yes      | <b>Supportive</b> of designation   |
| 40   | Beaufort Close to Kestrel Court                      | 0.315     | Long strip of grass between Kestral Court and Halifax Road provides tranquil safe pedestrian access. Suitable for dog walking and recreation and safe area away from traffic for children to play.   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/>                                | Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/>            | Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>          | Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>               | Wildlife <input type="checkbox"/>  | Bounded by houses and Beaufort this is safe, away from traffic noise and provides the opportunity for walking to the local shop from home. Suitable for dog walking and children can safely play here away from traffic.   | No   | Wiltshire Council | Yes      | Supportive of designation.   |
| 41   | Harvard Close  | 0.919     | A sudden green tract of land, supporting several mature trees, a copse and wild area. There are a couple of public footpaths running through it. Bounded by houses on 3 sides and Harvard Close on the 4th identified by Wiltshire Council as designated rewilding area. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                     | Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/>            | Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>          | Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>               | Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>   | The presence of mature trees, the small copse and the wild areas provide an excellent habitat for a variety of wildlife, when visited today I heard several different birds singing, including blackbirds and robin. There are two tarmaced footpaths running through the area allowing pedestrian access to the different parts of the estate. As it is at the end of Harvard Close there is little traffic. So this is a safe place for children and walkers. The presence of a dog poo bin speaks for itself in terms of its use as a dog walking area.   | No   | Wiltshire Council | Yes      | <b>Supportive</b> subject to amends to site boundary (amends made),  |
| 42   | Awdry Avenue   | 0.17      | Small area of greenspace within housing estate.  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/>                                | Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/>            | Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>          | Tranquility <input type="checkbox"/>                          | Wildlife <input type="checkbox"/>  | Provides an area for exercise dogs and casual games for children in the local area. Contributes to the local character of the area by providing open space within the surrounding residential development.   | No   | Selwood           | Yes      | Do not have any concerns regarding designation.  |
| 43   | Roundponds   | 0.25      | Green within Roundpond housing estate  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/>                                | Historic Significance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>          | Tranquility <input type="checkbox"/>                          | Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>   | Located within a housing estate and is bordered on one side by trees and bushes providing habitat for birds and insects. Provides a recreational area for children to play football and ball games and a great place to meet. Creates a village green feel in the middle of the estate which is in keeping with the age and the values of the time when the housing estate was originally built.   | No   | Wiltshire Council | Yes      | <b>Not supportive:</b> Opportunity to explore for affordable housing purposes on part of site.                           |
| 44   | Walkway parallel to A350 (rear of Hornbeam Crescent) | 1.24      | Linear tract of land forming a green buffer between the A350 and the adjacent housing estate.  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                     | Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/>            | Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>          | Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>               | Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>   | The site has a large variety of trees, bushes and vegetation which is particularly pretty in the spring with the abundance of bluebells. This green space supports a wide variety of birds, insects and small mammals which are thriving whilst also providing a green and fenced buffer between the A350 and the adjacent housing estate. The abundance of vegetation also provides a sound buffer from the A350 enabling local residents to enjoy walks along the footpath in this beautiful and tranquil setting. Local children use the area to build wilderness dens and explore the outdoors in a safe environment close to their homes as well as enjoying the small hillocks during the winter which they are able to sledge down in the snow. In addition, the walkway and surrounding green space provides a popular dog walking area for local residents. | No   | Wiltshire Council | Yes      | <b>Supportive</b> of designation as it relates to WC ownership.  |
| 45   | Verge with stream, and trees (Swift Way, Bowerhill)  | 0.32      | Verge with stream, pond and trees (nr football ground)   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/>                                | Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/>            | Recreational Value <input type="checkbox"/>                     | Tranquility <input type="checkbox"/>                          | Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>   | This is mainly a small pond area, there appears to be a drain coming into it, there is a plethora of bulrushes and the sound of coots was heard when I inspected it, it is fenced off so this gives the wildlife a important area, the boundaries are Westinghouse Way and Bowerhill Sports field.   | No   | Wiltshire Council | Yes      | <b>Supportive</b> of designation as it relates to WC ownership.  |
| 46   | Fields/old golf course                               | 4.18      | Land previously used as a golf course.   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/>                                | Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/>            | Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>          | Tranquility <input type="checkbox"/>                          | Wildlife <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>   | Former municipal Golf Course - area identified in the West Wiltshire Local Plan as Recreation Site (Policy saved in the Core Strategy). This site is adjacent to fields on one side and provides a tranquil setting for walkers and dog walkers. Now the former golf course has overgrown it has created a biodiverse environment and habitat for all sorts of wildlife, such as deer, ducks and rabbits. The various trees and hedges in the area provide ideal habitats for birds, as well as insects.   | West Wiltshire District Council saved policy R2 - recreation space | Wiltshire Council | Yes      | <b>Not Supportive.</b> Asset Gateway Board approved to retain for strategic operational use subject to Cabinet Decision. |
| 47   | Dorset Crescent                                      |           | Play Area and Green  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/>                                |   |   |   |  | Includes a play area and equipment and is used for recreational  | No   | Wiltshire         | Yes both | <b>Not Supportive.</b> Opportunity for discussion about  |

| Ref. | Name  | Size (ha) | Description (short description of the space and how it is used)   | Meeting NPPF Criteria / Planning Guidance |  |  |   | Explanation of how the site is considered to meet NPPF criteria | Planning Context - designations (Yes / No) / planning history | Landowner | Landowner Contacted?  | Summary of landowner response to informal consultation |
|------|---|-----------|---|---|--|--|---|---|---|-----------|---|--|
|      |   |           |   | Local in Character                        | Close Proximity  | Demonstrably Special / Particular Local Significance Qualities |   |   |   |           |   |  |
|      |   |           |   |   |  | Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/>                 | purposes, such as football etc. Residents were concerned that this and the adjacent area of Primrose Drive play (LGS47) could be used for development, following the removal of some of the play equipment from one of the play areas. Therefore, they contacted their local Wiltshire Councillor asking if these sites could be designated as local green spaces in the Neighbourhood Plan given how important these play areas are to the local community for for local children to play in.  |   | Council and leased by the Town Council                        |           | sustainable development as title does not have restrictions on it.  |  |
|      |   |           |   |   | Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |  |   |   |   |           |   |  |
|      |   |           |   |   | Tranquility <input type="checkbox"/>                   |  |   |   |   |           |   |  |
|      |   |           |   |   | Wildlife <input type="checkbox"/>                      |  |   |   |   |           |   |  |
| 48   | Primrose Drive  |           | Play area and green   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                    | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/>                                | Includes a play area and equipment and is used for recreational purposes, such as football and dog walking. See also LGS 47 above as the spaces are adjacent to each other.   | No  | Wiltshire Council and leased by the Town Council              | Yes both  | <b>Supportive.</b>  |  |
|      |   |           |   |   | Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/>         |  |   |   |   |           |   |  |
|      |   |           |   |   | Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |  |   |   |   |           |   |  |
|      |   |           |   |   | Tranquility <input type="checkbox"/>                   |  |   |   |   |           |   |  |
|      |   |           |   |   | Wildlife <input type="checkbox"/>                      |  |   |   |   |           |   |  |
| 49   | Dog Walking Area to the Rear of The Spa (former site 6) |           | Used as a dog walking area with Public Rights of Way across area. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                    | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/>                                | This is the last remaining large green space readily accessible on the Eastern side of Melksham and very popular with Dog walkers and children visiting "the log". In fact at any hour if the day you will find a visitor there.  | No  | Wiltshire Council   | Yes       | Meeting on 1 September, however, retrospectively have said as designated as Public Open Space cannot see a problem. |  |
|      |   |           |   |   | Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/>         |  |   |   |   |           |   |  |
|      |   |           |   |   | Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |  |   |   |   |           |   |  |
|      |   |           |   |   | Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>        |  |   |   |   |           |   |  |
|      |   |           |   |   | Wildlife <input type="checkbox"/>                      |  |   |   |   |           |   |  |
| 50   | Locking Close Allotments (former site 18)               |           | Private Allotments  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                    | Beauty <input type="checkbox"/>                                | Set in a tranquil/peaceful location adjacent to the countryside a short walk to the Kennet & Avon Canal. These private allotments provide the opportunity for people to meet other like-minded people, interested in growing their own produce. An allotment holder says 'we have 18 plots, some are smaller so we class those as half plots. There is no waiting list currently but all plots are occupied. The allotments provide lots of different habitats for wildlife...I have had field mice, slow worms, frogs, butterflies, bees and a, variety of birds on my plot. Some plots have corners left wild for animals to have homes. I know the allotments provide a lot of people with a peaceful sanctuary and a place to grow and nature produce.' | No  | Three private landowners                                      | Yes       | One of the three landowners wrote on behalf of all landowners to say they did not support the designation.          |  |
|      |   |           |   |   | Historic Significance <input type="checkbox"/>         |  |   |   |   |           |   |  |
|      |   |           |   |   | Recreational Value <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |  |   |   |   |           |   |  |
|      |   |           |   |   | Tranquility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>        |  |   |   |   |           |   |  |
|      |   |           |   |   | Wildlife <input type="checkbox"/>                      |  |   |   |   |           |   |  |





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River Avon

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LGS9





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LGS12





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Sports Court

Public Park

Play Area

LGS13

AVENUE





LGS14



LGS15



LGS16



LGS17







Bowerhill

Post

Bowerhill Primary School

LGS17



LGS19



LGS20

Melks Community



Playing Field

Pavilion

Playground

Drain

FB

FB

WINDSOR AVENUE

CORNFLOWER WAY

CORNFLOWER WAY

CAMPION DRIVE

BURNET CLOSE

**LGS21**



LGS22





LGS23



LGS24



LGS25





LGS26



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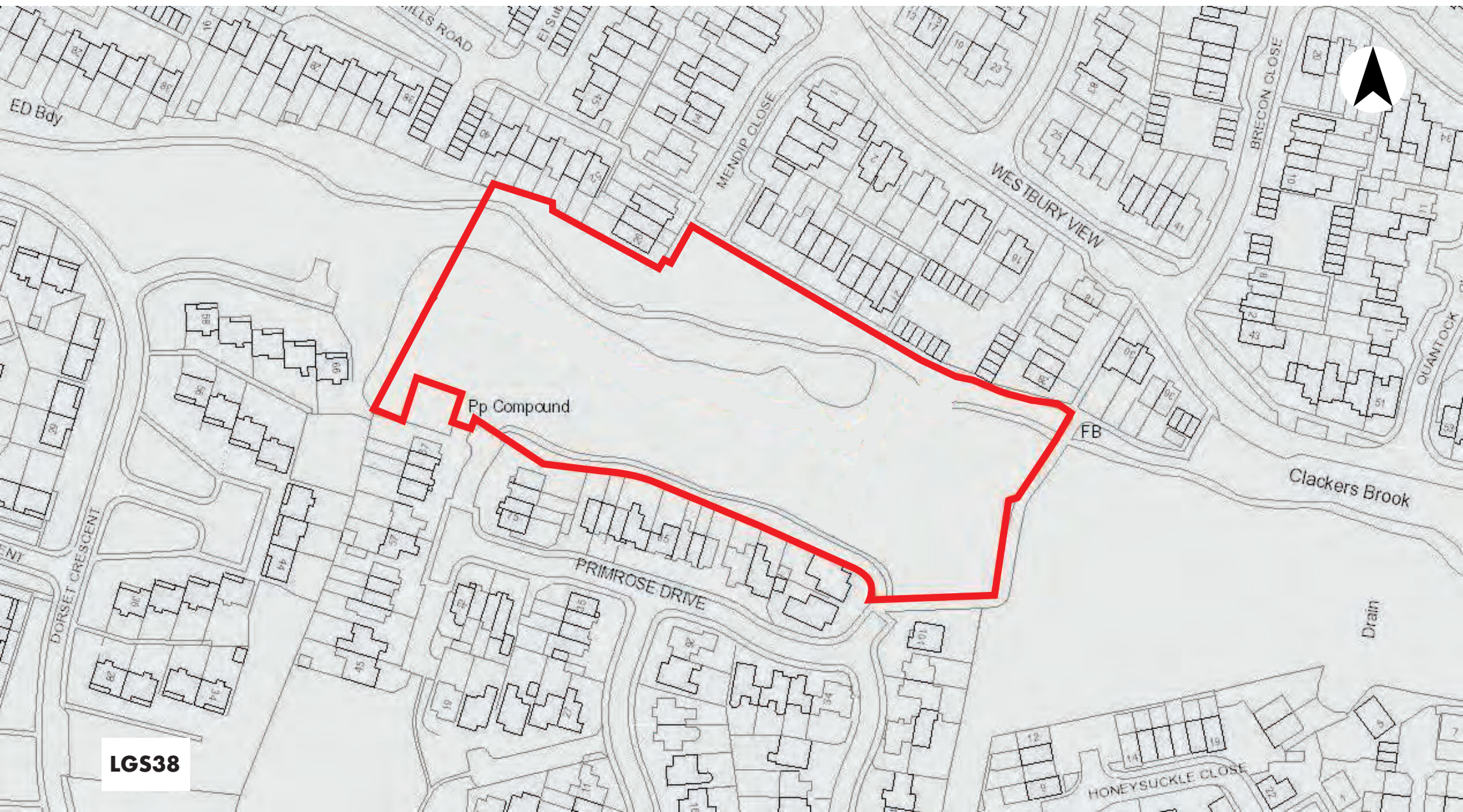
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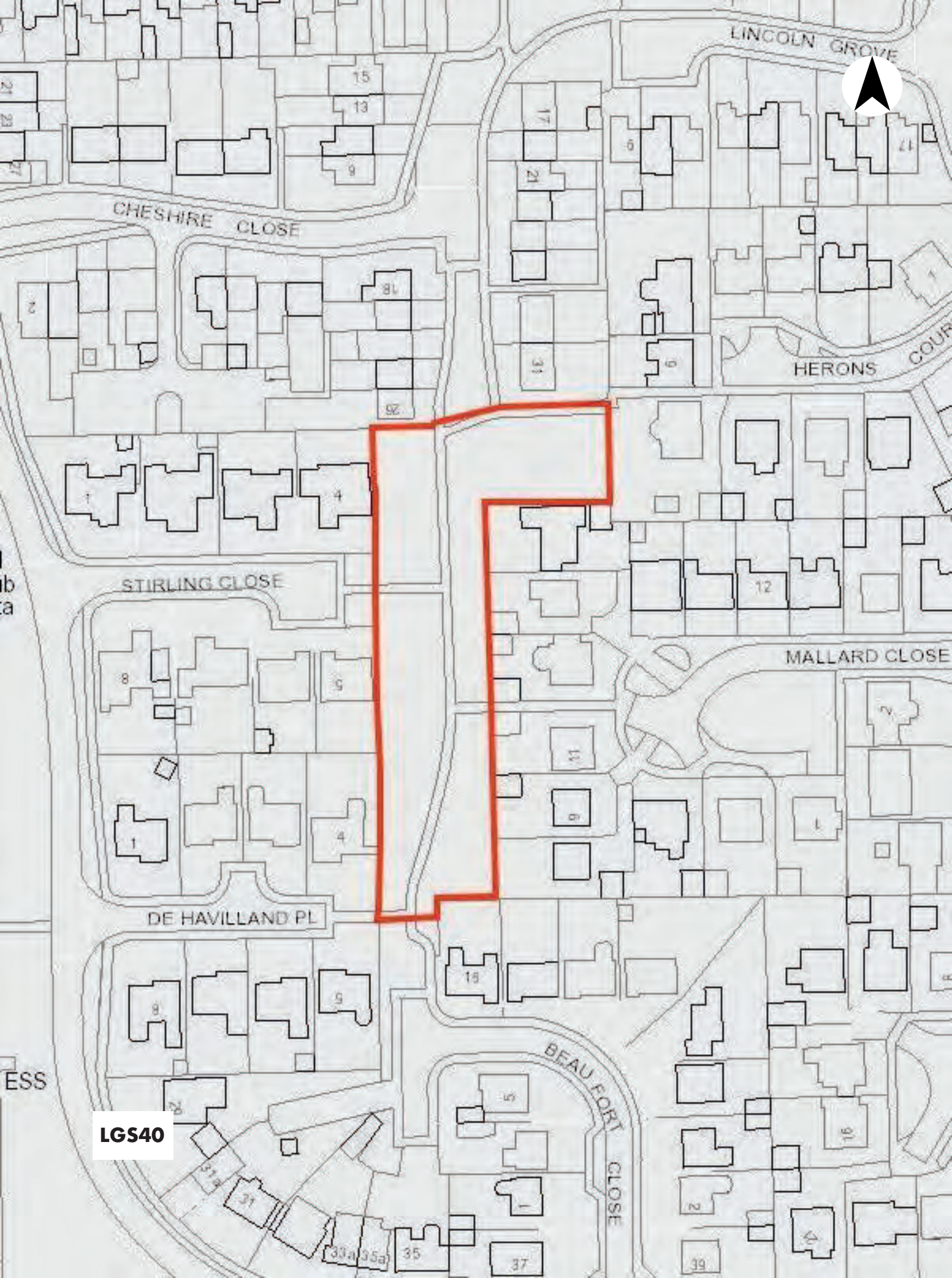
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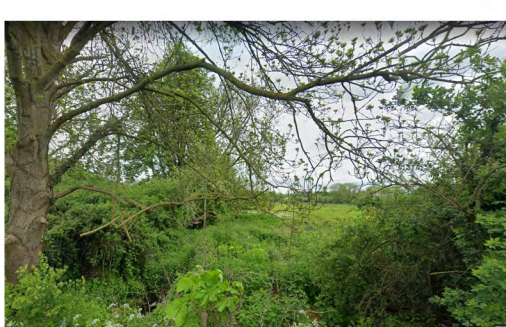
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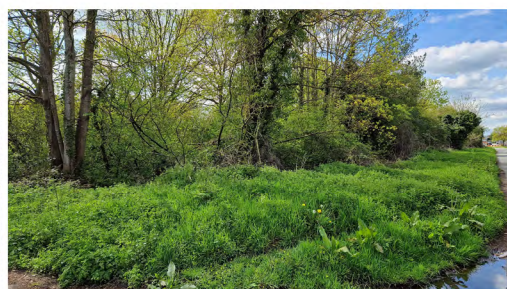
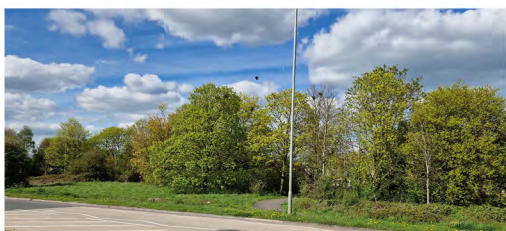
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3. Recreational Ground and Cricket Pitch rear...

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5. Approach to Melksham House.jpg



6. Cricket and field - community area, Whitley ...

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7. Riverside Drive Green Woodland area 2.jpg





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8. Natural Woodland Area near Sainsburys (1).jpg



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10. King George V Playing Fields & Recreation Are...



11. Beverley Close (1).jpg



11. Beverley Close (2).jpg



11. Beverley Close (3).jpg



11. Beverley Close Greenspace (4).jpg



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12. Forest Community Centre playing field sports ...



13., Brunswick Park(1).jpg



13. Brunswick Park(2).jpg



13. Brunswick Park(3).jpg



13. Forest Community Centre 2.png



13. Brunswick Park.jpg



14. St Barnabas Church Cricket Field(1).jpg



14. St Barnabas Church Cricket Field(2).jpg



15. Allotments Berryfield North (Briansfield).jpg



16. Berryfield Allotments (South).jpg



16. Berryfield Allotments (South) (1).jpg



17. Shaw Playing Field.JPG



18. Rear of Grasmere and Wellington Close-Falco...



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19. Green with Trees in Berryfield.png



20. Shaw Churchyard 1 .JPG

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21. Field Old Sports Pitch rear of Melksham Hosp...

22. Weavers Croft.jpg

22. Weavers Croft(2).jpg



23. Hornbeam Crescent-Semington Road(1).jpg

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23.Hornbeam Crescent Semington Road(4).jpg

24. Berryfield Green(1).png

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27. Clackers Brook, Queensway(2).jpg



27. Clackers Brook, Queensway(3).jpg



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28. Brabazon Way(3).jpg



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29.Hornchurch Green(1).jpg



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30. Hornbeam Crescent Green.jpg



31. Clackers Brook East of Melksham.jpg



32. Shurnhold Fields(4).jpg



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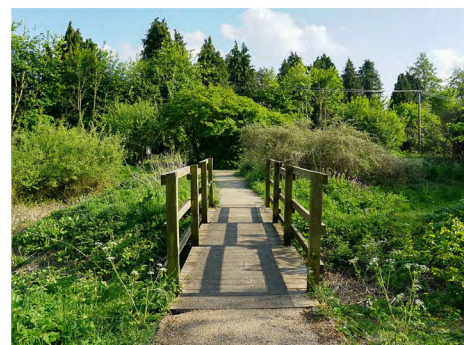
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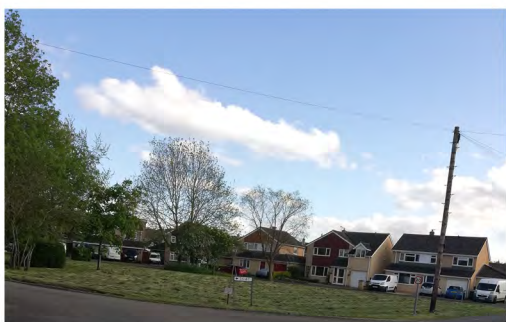
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40. Beaufort Close to Kestrel Court (1).jpg



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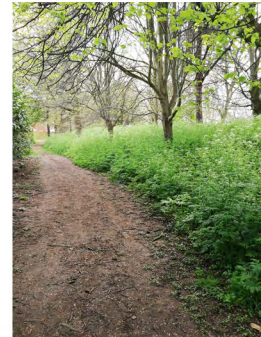
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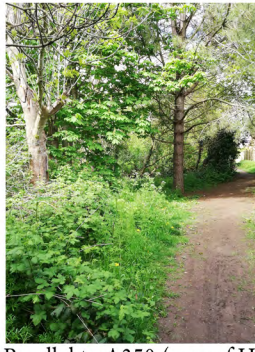
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49. Land to rear of The Spa (Dog walking area)(4).jpg



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Dear Name

### Re: Melksham and Melksham Without Neighbourhood Plan: Local Green Spaces

As you may know, Melksham and Melksham Without Parish/Town Councils are working on a Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP). Once formally in place, the NDP will inform and shape future development of our area, and become part of the statutory Development Plan which Wiltshire Council will use for determining planning applications in the area.

One aspiration for the Steering Group as part of this work is to identify and protect important green space within the neighbourhood area. One way that the NDP can do this is to identify 'Local Green Spaces' for protection by a planning policy. For a Local Green Space to be eligible for designation, it must be:

- in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves;
- demonstrably special to the local community and hold particular significance, for example, because of its beauty, historic significance recreational value (including playing fields), tranquility or richness of wildlife, and
- local in character and not an extensive tract of land.

Designation of land as a Local Green Space would mean that policies for managing development of the land would be consistent with that of land in the green belt i.e. inappropriate development of the space would not be allowed except for in very special circumstances (National Planning Policy Framework 2021, para 101-103)<sup>1</sup>.

The NDP Steering Group has been working on an initial list of potential Local Green Spaces and with support from their planning consultants have assessed the long list of suggestions against the national planning policy criteria outlined above.

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We are writing to inform you that land believed to be in your ownership has been identified during this initial process as potentially suitable for Local Green Space designation.

**Site**

The map of greenspaces is available at the following link:

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Although an initial assessment has been undertaken on this land, a decision has not yet been made in relation to whether the space is suitable for designation.

Please get in touch with any comments or concerns about the potential designation of this space as a Local Green Space before **Date**. Your comments will be considered and included as part of the evidence base of the NDP. As mentioned, although an initial assessment has been undertaken on this land, a decision has not yet been made in relation to whether the space is suitable for designation.

Comments received from landowners and the wider community will be taken into account to decide on which Local Green Spaces will be proposed for designation in the draft Neighbourhood Plan. The draft NDP will be consulted on formally for 6 weeks (a stage known as Regulation 14 consultation), during which, should your land go forward as a proposed Local Green Space, you will be contacted again and given the chance to record your formal comments.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'J. Hange'.

Clerk  
Melksham Without Parish Council