

LONG ITCHINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Local Green Space Site Assessment: March 2019

| Site Address | Site Area | Site Ref |
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| Green, Wulstan Drive, Long Itchington | Approx. 0.16 ha | LGS No: 14 |
| Plan | | |
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| Site Description and Current Land Use | | |
| <p>The site is a well-maintained green in the heart of the Wulstan residential estate. residential dwellings surround the green on all sides.</p> <p>Within the site are football goalposts and a number of mature, semi-mature and newly planted trees.</p> | | |
| Relevant Planning History | | |
| No relevant planning history found. | | |
| Site Ownership | | |
| Vested in Long Itchington Parish Council. TBC | | |
| Site Constraints | | |
| The site sits within an area of low archaeology sensitivity according to the Historic Environment Assessment (Ed. 4.9.1), Stratford-on-Avon District, July 2012 conducted by AOC Archaeology Group. | | |

Public Access

The site is open and accessible to the public.

Site Photo



Ecological Significance

Due to the nature of its use, the site has limited ecological value. However, there is some ecological value with the presence of the number of trees that inhabit the site.

These contribute to the village's wildlife corridor and green infrastructure. Additionally they provide food and shelter for numerous species, such as insects, small mammals and birds and their associated nesting sites all of which are vital for the wider food web and species diversity within the village ecosystem. As such, the site plays a contributory role in the wider ecological significance of the village.

Special Qualities and Local Significance

Incidental green spaces such as this significantly contribute to the village's unique character, distinctiveness and green infrastructure. The site maintains the sense of openness and low density within this development and the built-up area.

The special qualities of the site include its recreational and social value for children and adults as an open green space. This amenity space serves the local residents, walkers and dog walkers of the immediate area and provides a sense of openness and tranquility.

The site is demonstrably special and locally significant as it is actively used and valued by the local community as a formal area of open space.

Summary and Suitability for Designation as Local Green Space

This site is well related to and appreciated and valued by the local community and makes a positive contribution to the local distinctiveness of the village.

The LGS as outlined on the above plan is considered to be suitable for Local Green Space designation in accordance with paragraphs 99-101 of the National Planning Policy Framework in that it is:

- within the community it serves;
- demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular local significance because of its recreational value (including as an informal playing field), accessibility for the public and wildlife potential; and
- local in character and is not an extensive tract of land.

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