Pendle Local Plan 4th Revision

Local Green Space Report and Methodology



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Part 1: Site Designation

The value of green spaces

- 1.1 Green space is an important asset. In recognition of this, a specific kind of land designation called Local Green Space (LGS) can be used to protect those that are most valued by our communities from development.
- 1.2 The social, community, economic and environmental benefits of green spaces help to make our towns and villages sustainable places for us to live.
- 1.3 They are diverse in character including formal parks and gardens, informal grassed areas, linear paths, towpaths, sports pitches, and other landscaped areas. Alongside buildings, urban spaces and the wider public realm, green spaces make a significant contribution to the quality and distinctiveness of our communities. They can provide opportunities for sport and recreation, helping to support healthy lifestyles and promote community-wellbeing and offer a diverse range of habitats, making a significant contribution to biodiversity and helping to address the effects of climate change.

Policy context

- 1.4 The designation of LGS must follow the criteria outlined in paragraphs 101-103 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF). Further guidance is contained in the planning practice guidance (PPG) on Open space, sports and recreation facilities, public rights of way and local green space.
- 1.5 The designation of land as LGS must be consistent with the planning of sustainable development. It cannot be used as a tool to prevent development to undermine the delivery of the spatial strategy (e.g. land allocated for development) or by compromising development on sites that benefit from planning permission.
- 1.6 In Pendle, LGS sites can only be designated when the Local Plan (Pendle Council) or a Neighbourhood Plan (Town or Parish Council) is prepared or updated.
- 1.7 Care is required to ensure that the LGS designation is not used to stop development, rather than to ensure proper green space provision.
- Designating land as LGS should be consistent with the planning of sustainable 1.8 development and complement investment in sufficient homes, jobs and other essential services. Site boundaries should be capable of enduring beyond the end of the plan period. As such, not all green spaces will be suitable for formal designation as LGS.

Site qualities

- 1.9 The NPPF and PPG set out the main principles for the designation of LGS requiring a site to be:
 - 1. In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves.
 - 2. Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular local significance.
 - 3. Local in character and is not an extensive tract of land.

Close proximity

- 1.10 The NPPF and PPG do not define what 'reasonably close proximity' means but PPG specify that public access is a key factor.
- 1.11 Pendle Council has chosen not to use walking distances or travel times to define close proximity as this will vary depending on the characteristics of the space and its relationship with the wider community.

Demonstrably special

- 1.12 The NPPF highlights five factors that contribute to whether a site can be considered to be demonstrably special to a local community and have a particular local significance.
 - Beauty Is the green space visually attractive? Does the green space make a
 positive contribution to townscape, landscape character or local
 distinctiveness. Is the flora and fauna considered to be special to the local
 area?
 - Historic significance Does the green space have any archaeological value? Does the green space have a positive impact on a conservation area, or its setting? Does the green space provide a setting for a listed building or other heritage asset?
 - Recreational value (including as a playing field) Does the green space support activities or events which provide value to their community and are considered to be of local significance?
 - Tranquillity Does the green space provide a quiet space for reflection? Is the green space in an area away from sources of noise and pollution?
 - Richness of wildlife the area(s) may have ecological importance, be subject to local, national or international designations due to its wildlife or support wildlife which can be evidence such as through providing hedgerows, ponds, mature trees.

1.13 Evidence should demonstrate why a site is of significance to the local community and why it is considered suitable for the protection afforded by its designation as LGS when compared to other areas of open space in the Borough.

Extensive tract of land

- 1.14 The NPPF states that the LGS should not be applied to spaces that represent an extensive tract of land. No definition of what constitutes an extensive tract of land is provided, recognising that a degree of judgement is needed. The character of spaces can vary considerably, so there are no minimum or maximum size thresholds as these will vary between different communities, however sites should be reasonably contained, clearly defined and local in character. The need to have 'clear and defensible boundaries' means that larger sites are often inappropriate.
- 1.15 To ensure that the designation is not used to create what is in effect a new area of Green Belt the designation of open countryside adjacent to a settlement, which is not demonstrably special to the local community, will not be appropriate.

Other considerations

- 1.16 A number of other matters may also need to be taken into consideration on a site-bysite basis.
 - Planning Permission Sites with planning permission for development are not suitable for designation as LGS and will be discounted.
 - Green Belt If land is already designated as Green Belt (RPLP Policy 3), then consideration should be given as to whether any additional local benefit would be gained from designating the land as LGS. For example, could it help to identify areas that are of particular importance to the local community?

Policy implications

- 1.17 Paragraph 103 of the <u>National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)</u> states that the "policies for managing development within a LGS will be consistent with *those for Green Belts."*
- 1.18 Green Belt policy is addressed in <u>Chapter 3 of the NPPF</u> (last updated in July 2021) and the accompanying <u>Planning Practice Guidance</u> (PPG).

Development proposals

1.19 Any LGS sites that are within the Green Belt will already benefit from the protection afforded by this policy designation.

- 1.20 What the LGS designation does is extend the requirement for anyone applying for planning permission to demonstrate that **very special circumstances** exist, before development can usually take place, to specific areas of land not within the Green Belt.
- 1.21 The intention of the LGS designation is to keep the land permanently open, which means that development is highly unlikely to be permitted. As such there is a strong likelihood that landowners and developers will challenge any proposals to designate land as LGS.
- 1.22 To meet that challenge each site nomination should be based on robust evidence that the site meets the relevant criteria set out in the NPPF and PPG.

Landowners

- 1.23 The owner(s) of the site will be informed about the proposal to designate their land as LGS.
- 1.24 Where the landowner(s) are not known they will be identified by undertaking a Land Registry search.
 - https://www.gov.uk/search-property-information-land-registry
- 1.25 Landowners will be sent a letter informing them:
 - About the intention to designate their land as Local Green Space.
 - Why the land is considered to meet the criteria for designation as LGS.
 - What the LGS designation means in planning terms.
 - How the landowner can comment on the proposal.
 - Explain that Local Plans and Neighbourhood Plans must undergo independent examination and that the latter can only be adopted if they are successful at a local referendum.

Site Appraisal

Part 2: Site Appraisal

Methodology

- 2.1 In the absence of a standard methodology against which areas put forward for designation as Local Green Space (LGS) are assessed. Pendle Council has prepared this methodology to address the requirements of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and the accompanying planning practice guidance (PPG).
- 2.2 Site appraisal is a two-stage process. Only those sites that pass through the desktop review (Stage 1) are subject to a detailed assessment (Stage 2).

Stage 1: Desktop review

- 2.3 A brief assessment of the factual information provided in support of a site nomination is the first stage in the process.
- 2.4 LGS designation will rarely be appropriate where the land is allocated for development or planning permission has been granted for development. Exceptions could be where the development would be compatible with the reasons for designation, the designation would not prejudice the development from taking place, or where planning permission is no longer capable of being implemented.
- 2.5 If land is already protected by Green Belt policy, or a different type of designation (e.g. Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), Open Space etc.) consideration is given to whether any additional local benefit would be gained by designation as LGS.
- 2.6 Those sites which pass through Stage 1, are subject to a detailed site assessment.

Stage 2: Site assessment

- 2.7 A detailed consideration of the contextual evidence submitted to address the three NPPF criteria. The questions to be answered are:
 - Is the site publicly accessible?
 - Is the site within a reasonable walking distance of the community (or communities) that it serves?
 - Is the site demonstrably special to one (or more) local communities?
 - Why does the site hold a particular local significance? Are the "unique and special qualities" of the site associated with its natural beauty, historic significance, recreational value, tranquillity, or richness of wildlife, or a combination of these?

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- Is the site local in character, rather than an extensive tract of land?
- Can the special characteristics of the site, together with any uses or activities which form part of the case for its designation, be maintained and managed for the duration of the plan period?
- 2.8 Journey times rather than walking distance are typically used, as they better reflect local circumstances. They avoid the use of "as the crow flies" distances which may ignore physical barriers (e.g. a river with no bridge across it) and take account of physical conditions on the actual route that will be taken.
- 2.9 In all assessments we use an average walking speed of 3 miles per hour, meaning that one mile will be completed in 20 minutes. Where a gentle or steep slope is encountered, the Naismith rule is applied. This adds one additional minute for every 10 metres (33 feet) of ascent. The rule has been shown to have an 89% confidence level when calculating journey times.
- 2.10 We have not used scoring to determine which sites best meet the LGS requirements. Instead a balanced judgement has been used. This judgement uses the answers to a series of questions based on the specific requirements for LGS set out in the NPPF and PPG to determine the final selection of sites to be designated in the Local Plan.
- 2.11 In view of the subjective nature of this assessment, the views of external organisations may be sought prior to designation, including but not limited to, commentary from the Lancashire Environmental Records Network (LERN) and the Lancashire Historic Environmental Record (LHER).

Decision Tree

- 2.12 Figure 2.1 illustrates the step-by-step process that is used to help decide whether sites in Pendle are suitable for designation as LGS.
- 2.13 Where neighbourhood plans have designated LGS sites, a similar process to that shown has been followed.

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Figure 2.1: Local Green Space Decision Tree

Site Appraisal

Public consultation

- 2.14 The detailed site assessments will be made available for comment, before determining which sites are to be allocated as LGS sites in the Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040. All the responses we receive will be given due consideration.
- 2.15 The Council will endeavour to contact the landowners of these sites in advance of any public consultation.

Site Assessment Summary of Results

Part 3: Site Assessments

LGS/LP4/DM12/001: Land at Applegarth (1.20ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site is designated as a Site of Settlement Character in the Replacement Pendle Local Plan 2001-2016 (2006). Barnoldswick Town Council will be invited to consider whether they wish to endorse the proposal to designate this site as Local Green Space.	?
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	As a Site of Settlement Character the site is currently protected under Policy 12 of the Replacement Pendle Local Plan 2001-2016 (2006). This policy designation will not be carried forward in the Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition (2021-2040). The northern part of the site is designated as woodland (WD124) in the Pendle Open Space Audit (2019) and protected by Policy ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015).	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO

•	Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
•	Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	A Reserve Matters application (17/0117/REM) was approved in 2017 for 8 detached dwellings, but this has lapsed. A scheme drawn up by a previously interested party was for 29 dwellings.	NO
•	Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	The site is within the settlement boundary. Although easily seen from public vantage points it is not readily publicly accessible.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to a local community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	 (a) Beauty – A green space marking the transition from urban to rural and part of the setting of the Leeds and Liverpool Canal. (b) Historic significance – None (c) Recreational value – The site is clearly visible from the Leeds and Liverpool Canal and its towpath (FP301007), but is largely inaccessible to the public, being crossed by a private road. The space primarily acts as a visual amenity for nearby homes. (d) Tranquillity – The site is close to the Rolls Royce plc manufacturing plant, so the noise generated by manufacturing activity is constant during working hours. (e) Richness of wildlife – The grassland is largely unkept and the woodland alongside the canal contains several mature trees, offering a range of habitats for local wildlife, but there are no records of priority habitats or species on the site. 	NO
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	A large site with well-defined boundaries on all sides.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	Possibly. There has been development interest in the site, which is currently for sale through chartered surveyors Walker Singleton.	?

LGS/LP4/DM12/002: Land at Stock Beck, Barnoldswick (0.7ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been nominated by Barnoldswick Town Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site has no planning policy designation but is within the settlement boundary for Barnoldswick.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No. The site is not suitable for development due to the high risk of flooding associated with Stock Beck.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	The site has not previously been promoted for development.	NO
• Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Stage	2: Site	Appraisal
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Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	The site is within the settlement boundary. It is accessible by a public footpath which extends from Victory Park to the west, northwards to Greenberfield Lane.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to a local community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	 (a) Beauty – A green corridor running along Stock Beck between Victory Park and the Rolls Royce Bankfield site. The prominence of the Bankfield site and its operational effects erodes the natural beauty of the area. (b) Historic significance – None (c) Recreational value – Footpath link from Victory Park to the open countryside and canal (via Greenberfield Lane). A popular high-quality route for walkers and cyclists and part of two advertised walking routes around Barnoldswick. (d) Tranquillity – The site is close to the Rolls Royce plc manufacturing plant, so the noise generated by manufacturing activity is constant during working hours. (e) Richness of wildlife – Largely overgrown and unkept site with nettles and Himalayan Balsam. Some riverside plants present. 	NO
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	A linear site which is not extensive in character, well contained by neighbouring land uses/features.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	Yes. The site is not developable for most land uses owing to high flood risk.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/003: Land at Ghyll Lane and Skipton Road, Barnoldswick (0.1ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been nominated by Barnoldswick Town Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1) adjacent to the settlement boundary. It is also designated as Amenity Greenspace (AG283) in the Pendle Open Space Audit (2019) and protected by Policy ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015), requiring alternative provision if lost unless there is a demonstrated absence of demand. These designations offer sufficient protection from development at this location.	NO
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	The site has not previously been promoted for development.	NO

• Is the permission likely to be	Not applicable.	N/A
implemented?		

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	The site is located at the edge of the settlement and is accessible to the wider community.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to a local community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	 (a) Beauty – Maintained highway verge featuring several planters. (b) Historic significance – None. (c) Recreational value – There is limited space for recreation at the site. (d) Tranquillity – None. The site sits next to a busy road with cars passing by at a high speed. (e) Richness of wildlife – Limited value with the verge largely comprising of mown grass. 	NO
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	Highway verge, contained on all sides by highway or mature hedgerow.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	Yes. The site is maintained by the Town Council.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/004: Land at Greenberfield Locks, Barnoldswick (0.2ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been nominated by Barnoldswick Town Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1) and isolated from the settlement. The designation of the site as Local Green Space will help demonstrate its value to the local community.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No. Due to its isolated position in the open countryside, the site is not a sustainable location for most forms of development.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	The site has not previously been promoted for development.	NO
• Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	The site is located within the open countryside, around 400m from the settlement boundary. The site is accessible to residents in Barnoldswick by way of several different route options.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to a local community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	 (a) Beauty – Attractive greenspace, surrounded by dry-stone walls in the setting of the canal and adjacent to Greenberfield Locks. (b) Historic significance – Once formed part of the original route of the Leeds and Liverpool Canal before being rerouted to help maintain water levels at the summit level of the canal in the early 19th century. This heritage is visible with the now redundant road bridge at the eastern edge of the site. The locks themselves (which are adjacent to the site) are Grade II Listed. (c) Recreational value – The site is used for picnics by residents and visitors. It has amenity value providing accessible greenspace, and strongly contributions to the setting of the canal and locks. (d) Tranquillity – Strongly experienced. Opportunity to look out over the canal at the locks and into the wider open countryside in a quiet location. The site is popular with residents and visitors alike. (e) Richness of wildlife – Canalside location. The canal corridor is a Biological Heritage Site. The site features a number of mature trees at its boundaries. The site makes a positive contribution to biodiversity in the borough. 	YES
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	Contained picnic site adjacent to the canal, with a road to the north and east, and canal to the site, and lock keeper's house to the west. The site has strong boundaries and is easily definable.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	Yes. The site is maintained by the Canal and River Trust.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/005: Silentnight Woods and Land at Clifford Street, Barnoldswick (4.51ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been nominated by the Town Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The southern and eastern parts of the site are in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1). The north west corner of the site is within the settlement boundary and designated as amenity greenspace (AG269). Together with the area of woodland (WD416) in the east they are protected by Policy ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015)), requiring alternative provision if lost unless there is a demonstrated absence of demand. Designation as Local Green Space would help demonstrate the value of the whole of the site to the local community.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	The site was previously considered for the development of a school, but no such plans have ever been taken forward.	NO

•	Is the permission likely to be	Not applicable.	N/A
	implemented?		

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	The site is located at the edge of the settlement. It is accessible by way of multiple footpaths and the site enables pedestrian connectivity between residential areas of Barnoldswick and local education/leisure sites.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to a local community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	 (a) Beauty – The open field has limited beauty beyond its openness and the green corridor it provides into Barnoldswick. The woodland provides an attractive sheltered environment. (b) Historic significance – None known. (c) Recreational value – The site provides natural greenspace within the settlement of Barnoldswick. The site features a network of paths particularly within the woodlands. (d) Tranquillity – Provided by the break offered by the space within the built-up area. The feel of tranquillity is stronger within the woods despite being adjacent to the Silentnight factory with trees effectively shielding the site from its operations. (e) Richness of wildlife – The site provides a green wedge when approaching Barnoldswick from the south. The woodlands in particular offer a habitat for birds. 	YES
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	Undeveloped site contained by surrounding land uses. The contrast in character observed within the site increases the site's precepted scale. The open field or woodland on their own do not form extensive tracts of land, but may be considered to in combination.	?
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	Yes. The site is unlikely to be developed noting surface water flood risk, vehicle access constraints, and proximity to the Silentnight factory. The woodland was planted by Pendle Council.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/006: Land off Station Road and Fernlea Avenue, Barnoldswick (0.1ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been nominated by Barnoldswick Town Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is designated as amenity greenspace (AG039) in the Pendle Open Space Audit (2019) and protected by Policy ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015)), requiring alternative provision if lost unless there is a demonstrated absence of demand. This designation offers sufficient protection from development.	NO
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	The site has not previously been promoted for development.	NO

• Is the permission likely to be	Not applicable.	N/A
implemented?		

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	The site is situated within the town centre of Barnoldswick.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to a local community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	 (a) Beauty – The site has its qualities such as the Queen Victoria Fountain centrepiece and wildflower planters. Its beauty is however limited by its proximity to a busy road and transport node. The site is small scale and lacks greenspace. (b) Historic significance – The site features the Queen Victoria Fountain; a memorial to the reign of Queen Victoria. (c) Recreational value – The site features a seating area in addition to bus shelters. The space provides a meeting/resting spot. Its overall value is limited by its small scale, lack of greenery and proximity to a busy intersection and transport node. (d) Tranquillity –The site is closely related to Fernlea Avenue which is a busy urban thoroughfare. The site is well used with the arrival and departure of various bus routes which add to noise and reduces local air quality. (e) Richness of wildlife – Limited on site features which attract wildlife. 	NO
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	Defined space contained by road infrastructure and mature hedgerow.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	Yes. The site is well maintained by the local community.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/007: Land at Skipton Road and Fernlea Avenue, Barnoldswick (0.1ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been nominated by Barnoldswick Town Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is designated as amenity greenspace (AG042 and AG045) in the Pendle Open Space Audit (2019) and protected by Policy ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015)), requiring alternative provision if lost unless there is a demonstrated absence of demand. This designation offers sufficient protection from development.	NO
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	The site has not previously been promoted for development.	NO

• Is the permission likely to be	Not applicable.	N/A
implemented?		

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	The site is situated close to the town centre of Barnoldswick.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to a local community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	 (a) Beauty – A floral display within one verge enhances the visual quality of the area. The other verge features a tree, mown grass, and a CCTV pole. The area is well maintained. Whilst the verge is pleasant it is not significantly different in character to the open space which features on the opposite side of Skipton Road which has not been nominated for consideration. (b) Historic significance – None. (c) Recreational value – Visual amenity only. (d) Tranquillity – Limited. The site is closely related to Fernlea Avenue and Skipton Road at a busy junction. (e) Richness of wildlife – Limited; the site is a roadside verge with a planter and tree. 	NO
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	Defined space contained by road infrastructure.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	The site is well maintained by the local community.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/008: Land fronting Holy Trinity Church, Skipton Road, Barnoldswick (0.1ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	Yes, the site has been nominated by Barnoldswick Town Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is designated as amenity greenspace (AG278) in the Pendle Open Space Audit (2019) and protected by Policy ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015)), requiring alternative provision if lost unless there is a demonstrated absence of demand. This designation offers sufficient protection from development.	NO
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	The site has not previously been promoted for development.	NO

• Is the permission likely to be	Not applicable.	N/A
implemented?		

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	The site is situated close to the town centre of Barnoldswick.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to a local community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	 (a) Beauty – Floral displays within the verge enhances the visual quality of the area and benefits the setting of the church (not listed). The site is predominantly mown grass and is well maintained. (b) Historic significance – Provides for uninterrupted view of Holy Trinity Church from the highway. The church is not listed. (c) Recreational value – Visual amenity only. The site provides for a pleasant environment. (d) Tranquillity – Limited. The site is closely related to Skipton Road. There is limited opportunity for quiet reflection or play. (e) Richness of wildlife – Limited. The site is a road verge with floral displays. 	NO
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	Defined space contained by road infrastructure including access ways into the Holy Trinity Church.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	Yes. The site is well maintained by the church.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/009: Land at Cornmill Place, Barnoldswick (0.05ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	Yes, the site has been nominated by Barnoldswick Town Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is within the settlement boundary for Barnoldswick and the Corn Mill and Valley Gardens Conservation Area but has no formal designation. The designation of the site as open space or Local Green Space would help offer additional protection should it meet the necessary criteria.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	The site has not previously been promoted for development.	NO

• Is the permission likely to be	Not applicable.	N/A
implemented?		

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	The site is situated within the settlement boundary of Barnoldswick.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to a local community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	 (a) Beauty – Some, though this is granted by the site's location adjacent to the existing watercourse rather than the site itself. The site forms a pleasant space on its own merit and is well maintained. (b) Historic significance – None. The space is connected to the adjacent modern residential development. (c) Recreational value – locally valued for amenity and play. The site functions principally for surrounding dwellings but its wider significance is limited. (d) Tranquillity – Some limited, though this is granted by the site's location adjacent to the existing watercourse rather than the site itself. (e) Richness of wildlife – Wildlife value due to proximity of watercourse and the woodland corridor running adjacent to the site. The site makes a very limited contribution to this wildlife significance although it is evident that residents have made effort to provide features to attract and encourage wildlife to flourish. 	NO
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	Defined space contained by road infrastructure, allotment site, and Stock Beck.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	Unclear. The site is clearly well maintained but it is unclear if this is by a resident group, a private individual or through a management company.	?

LGS/LP4/DM12/010: Allotment North of Richmond Avenue, Barnoldswick (0.05ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	Yes, the site has been nominated by Barnoldswick Town Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is within the settlement boundary for Barnoldswick but has no formal designation. The designation of the site as open space or Local Green Space would help offer additional protection should it meet the necessary criteria.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	The site has not previously been promoted for development.	NO
• Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	The site is situated within the settlement boundary of Barnoldswick.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to a local community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	 (a) Beauty – Limited. Small allotment site within settlement boundary. Allotment plots are well maintained but this is dependent on action from tenants. The site serves to break up dense development. (b) Historic significance – None. (c) Recreational value – Recreational space for a limited number of residents. Amenity valued for surrounding residents. (d) Tranquillity – Some limited, provided by the role that the space has in breaking up the dense pattern of development experienced locally. (e) Richness of wildlife – Limited and associated with allotment. 	NO
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	 Defined space contained on all sides by existing residential development and garages. 	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	Well maintained subject to allotment usage.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/011: Land at Priory Way, Barnoldswick (0.2ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	Yes, the site has been nominated by Barnoldswick Town Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1) adjacent to the settlement boundary but has no formal designation. The designation of the site as open space or Local Green Space would help offer additional protection should it meet the necessary criteria.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	The site has not previously been promoted for development.	NO
• Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	The site is situated at an edge of settlement location. It is accessed from Priory Close.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to a local community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	 (a) Beauty – Edge of settlement greenfield site, adjacent to wider open countryside which is in agricultural use. The site is not particularly distinctive in contrast to its surroundings. (b) Historic significance – None. (c) Recreational value – Recreational space used by local residents, but its wider significance is limited. (d) Tranquillity – Edge of settlement greenspace. (e) Richness of wildlife – Limited to boundaries of the site with mature hedgerows and trees, and tall grasses towards the rear. 	ΝΟ
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	Single field of limited scale which is accessed from a nearby residential estate. Strong vegetative edge to the site, though unremarkable in comparison to wider open countryside.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	Some evidence of seasonal maintenance though somewhat overgrown.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/012: Pickles Hippings, Calf Hall Lane, Barnoldswick (0.1ha)



Criteria	Comments		
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	Yes, the site has been nominated by Barnoldswick Town Council.	YES	
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is partially located within the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1) and partially within the settlement boundary. It is wholly within the Calf Hall and Gillians Conservation Area and designated as a public right of way (FP1301023). Designation of the site as Local Green Space will help demonstrate the value of the site to the local community and offer a stronger level of protection for an important feature within the Calf Hall and Gillians Conservation Area.	YES	
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO	
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO	
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	The site has not previously been promoted for development.	NO	
	• Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A
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Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	Edge of settlement location.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to a local community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	 (a) Beauty – The site displays a diverse character over a relatively short route. From the woodland and watercourse at its northern end, to the dry-stone walled route with stone setts in a more open rolling landscape at its southern end. The areas are distinctive and unique and contribute positively to the quality of the local conservation area. (b) Historic significance – The site sits within a conservation area. It is a public right of way and forms a long-established walking route. The heritage of the route is evident with historical features such as dry-stone walls and stone setts found extensively through the site. The route can be clearly seen on historical maps of the town. The route, its features, and the experience provided is specifically noted in the Conservation Area Character Appraisal. (c) Recreational value – The site forms part of a wider circular walk around the edge of Barnoldswick. It provides an opportunity for residents of the town to access the open countryside via a safe and attractive route, which helps to reveal the historic environment. (d) Tranquillity – The route traverses and connects otherwise isolated parts of the settlement. It offers a distinct and diverse tranquil experience. (e) Richness of wildlife – Part of the site is within a green corridor and locally important for wildlife. 	YES
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	The site is the route of a footpath. It is clearly defined by dray stone walls and fencing and is a significant feature in the landscape between Esp Lane and Calf Hall Lane. It does not represent an extensive tract of land.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	Long established, well maintained, and well-used route. The characteristics of the route are to a degree protected by the site's inclusion within the conservation area. This together with its	YES

designation as	s a public right of way should ensure that it can endure	
in the long-ter	rm.	

LGS/LP4/DM12/013: Land at King Street, Barnoldswick (0.01ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been nominated by Barnoldswick Town Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is within the settlement boundary for Barnoldswick but has no formal designation. The designation of the site as open space or Local Green Space would help offer additional protection should it meet the necessary criteria.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	The site has not previously been promoted for development.	NO
• Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Stage	2: Site	Appraisal
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Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	Within Barnoldswick town centre.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to a local community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	 (a) Beauty – Solitary mature tree within grassed area adjacent to existing car parks. Limited visual quality owing to the prominence of car parking which detracts from the urban environment. (b) Historic significance – The site is located near to a Listed building however is unlikely to contribute significantly to this listed building due to intervening car parking which dominates the environment. The site is located within the town centre conservation area. It is not however noted as a space which makes a positive contribution to this conservation area within the Conservation Area Appraisal. (c) Recreational value – Small green space within urbanised environment, but limited opportunities for recreation due to limited scale, features and influence of surrounding land uses. (d) Tranquillity – Tranquillity lost by proximity and prominence of adjacent car parking. (e) Richness of wildlife – Very limited due to the site's location within the town centre. 	NO
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	The site relates to the existing tree and grassed area only.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	The area has survived in its condition to now and is managed by the Town Council.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/014: Land off Carr Hall Road, Barrowford (10ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been nominated by an individual. Barrowford Town Council will be invited to consider whether they wish to endorse the proposal to designate this site as Local Green Space.	?
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1) and designated as Green Belt (RPLP Policy 3). As such it already benefits from the level of protection provided by the Local Green Space designation.	NO
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	The site has been promoted for development through the Local Plan process (see P115). The site is however within the Green Belt and exceptional circumstances need to be demonstrated to justify the release of this land for development purposes. The Council is of the view that these circumstances do not currently exist.	NO

• Is the permission likely to be	Not applicable.	N/A
implemented?		

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	Edge of settlement site.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to a local community?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	 (a) Beauty – The site forms part of the rural setting to the urban area. Some landscape qualities associated with the site including trees within fields point to the site's former location within the Carr Hall Estate. (b) Historic significance – The site forms part of the Carr Hall Road Conservation Area. The proposal site contributes to the setting and special qualities of the conservation area granting important views of the conservation area from the west. A fish pond historically sat within part of the site but has long since gone. (c) Recreational value – Amenity only, there is no public access to the site. (d) Tranquillity – The site forms the undeveloped edge of the urban area forming part of the transition of the site into the open countryside. (e) Richness of wildlife – Limited to hedgerow and trees found within the site. 	NO
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	The site is extensive in nature taking in a number of fields found on the edge of Barrowford. The site is not logical in its extent. Fields beyond the site are similar in character to those included within it.	NO
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	No site nomination form or supporting information supplied.	The area is in agricultural use and is designated Green Belt.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/015: Allotment Site, Beverley Road, Blacko (0.62ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been nominated by Blacko Parish Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is designated as allotments (AL006) in the Pendle Open Space Audit (2019) and protected by Policy ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015)), requiring alternative provision if lost unless there is a demonstrated absence of demand. This designation offers sufficient protection from development.	NO
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	The site has not previously been promoted for development.	NO

•	Is the permission likely to be	Not applicable.	N/A
	implemented?		

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community?	Map showing that the site is edge of settlement.	The site is located in the heart of the village.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to a local community?	The area is home to 11 allotment plots, offering a safe and secure environment for allotment holders and their families to grow their own fruit and vegetables. It provides a safe haven for wildlife and pollinating insects. Plot holders are part of a community and gardening is good for you, the social contact offered by gardening in an allotment environment helps to combat loneliness.	 (a) Beauty – Well-kept allotments which make a positive contribution to the built environment of Blacko. Allotments are not publicly accessible, and the attractiveness of the site is reliant on the actions of tenants. (b) Historic significance – None known. (c) Recreational value – The site directly benefits a small number of the population who are tenants of the site. Its wider significance is limited (d) Tranquillity – Makes a minor contribution to the tranquillity of the area, most felt by those with plots within the allotment. (e) Richness of wildlife – Some benefits for insect and bird population. 	NO
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No supporting information supplied.	The site is limited to the allotments which form a distinctive area within the village.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	The Parish Council rent the land from a third party and in turn rent the allotment plots to Blacko area residents.	Yes, the site is a managed allotment site with active ongoing tenancies.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/016: Blacko Recreation Ground, Beverley Road, Blacko (1.5ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been nominated by Blacko Parish Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is designated as outdoors sports (OS003) and play area (PA029) in the Pendle Open Space Audit (2019) and protected by Policy ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015)), requiring alternative provision if lost unless there is a demonstrated absence of demand. Designation of the site as Local Green Space would help to signify the importance of this site to the local community and offer stronger protection from loss to other land uses.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	The site has not previously been promoted for development.	NO

•	Is the permission likely to be	Not applicable.	N/A
	implemented?		

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community?	Map showing that the site is edge of settlement.	The site is located in the heart of the village.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to a local community?	This area has been used by the residents of Blacko for 50 years plus. The Parish Council and Events Committee have updated the space on a regular basis, and day to day maintenance is carried out by the Parish Council. The recreation ground provides an open space for play for children and adults alike, providing space for social contact, a place for physical exercise to help keep fit and contribute to their mental health wellbeing.	 (a) Beauty – Well-kept recreation ground with playground which makes a positive contribution to the quality of the urban environment in Blacko. (b) Historic significance – Nomination makes clear that the site has been used for recreation for an extensive period of time. (c) Recreational value – Provides the recreational space for the village. Centrally located and evidence of being a well-used and valued facility. Used for multiple activities including play, sport, socialising, rest and walking/exercise. The site and its equipment has been updated over time. (d) Tranquillity – Provides safe greenspace for the enjoyment of villagers. (e) Richness of wildlife – Limited to hedgerow boundaries. 	YES
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No supporting information supplied.	The site is limited to the recreational area which forms a distinctive area within and at the boundary of the village.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	The Parish Council maintain the site and have updated the space over the years.	Yes, the site is actively managed by the Parish Council.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/017: Land at Blacko Bar Road and Gisburn Road, Blacko (0.1ha)





Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been nominated by Blacko Parish Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1) adjacent to the settlement boundary but has no formal designation. The designation of the site as open space or Local Green Space would help offer additional protection should it meet the necessary criteria.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	The site has not previously been promoted for development.	NO
• Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community?	Map showing that the site is located near to the settlement.	The site is a relatively short distance from the settlement boundary of Blacko. The site remains accessible to the community.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to a local community?	Once situated on the old turn pike road and a forgotten cross or milestone situated on the old Kings Highway. The road links Gisburn and Clitheroe and the ancient milestone was presumed to have been from the 17 th Century. The box hedge forming the word Blacko stands in its place with a bench to sit and view over Pendle Hill.	 (a) Beauty – Small scale site featuring box hedge. Commanding views can be had from the site over the wider valley and of Pendle hill. The beauty associated is attached to the site's surroundings rather than the site itself. (b) Historic significance – The site marks the location of Blacko Bar Toll. There is very little evidence of this on site, however a stone and plaque found at the site reveals the site's former use to visitors. (c) Recreational value – Limited amenity value due to the site's small scale and proximity to the highway. (d) Tranquillity – within the open countryside however the sense of tranquillity granted is eroded by passing traffic using the A682. (e) Richness of wildlife – Very limited. Most likely found within the bordering hedgerow. 	NO
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No supporting information supplied.	The site is limited to a road verge at the junction between Gisburn Road and Blacko Bar Road.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	Yes, the site is actively maintained by Blacko Parish Council with help from 'Friends of Blacko Village'	Yes, the site is actively managed by the community.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/018: Land off Halifax Road, Nelson (7.0ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site was designated as a Site of Settlement Character in the Replacement Pendle Local Plan 2001-2016 (2006). Brierfield Town Council will be invited to consider whether they wish to endorse the proposal to designate this site as Local Green Space.	?
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	As a Site of Settlement Character the land is currently protected under Policy 12 of the Replacement Pendle Local Plan 2001-2016 (2006). This policy designation will not be carried forward in the Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition (2021-2040). The site could be developed if not protected. The designation of the site as open space or Local Green Space would offer additional protection should it meet the necessary criteria.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	The site was purchased by Pendle Council for the purpose a creating a new burial ground owing to the shortfall of space at Nelson Cemetery. Work is continuing to investigate the feasibility of developing a burial ground at this location. Depending on the form of the proposals, the designation of the site as Local Green Space could prevent, or significantly constrain, the delivery of a burial ground at the site.	?
Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	Previous proposals for development at the site have either been refused or not taken forward. No application for a cemetery has yet been submitted.	NO

•	Is the permission likely to	Not applicable.	N//
	be implemented?		

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community?	Accessed from wider community by footpath links.	The site sits within the main urban area at the boundary of Nelson and Brierfield. It is accessible from the surrounding community by way of a number of public footpaths which serve to connect these communities together through the site.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to a local community?	Greatly valued by the community providing opportunity for informal recreation. Positive impact on wellbeing, particularly during COVID, helping to encourage healthy lifestyles. It is used daily by residents and especially by children in the school holidays. Trees within the site assist with mitigating the effects of climate change. The space makes a significant contribution to the landscape character of the area. The Wildlife Trust have noted the variety of grasses at the site. Rich habitat for wildlife including deer, sparrowhawk, field mice, pheasant, squirrels, kestrels, owls, and bird species including greenfinch, goldfinch, sparrow, robin, blue tit, coal tit, magpie, pigeons, chaffinch and bullfinch. Wildlife relies upon the protective camouflage the site provides. The site forms a natural corridor for wildlife. An example of increasingly rare tranquil space in the borough.	 (a) Beauty – greenspace within the urban area. Limited value on its own, but locally appreciated as a pocket of open land within the settlement boundary. (b) Historic significance – None. (c) Recreational value – Actively used by the community for walking, dog walking, playing and spotting wildlife. The site is crossed by a network of paths. It offers amenity value due to its openness. (d) Tranquillity – Quiet greenfield site within an otherwise densely populated area, especially important for residents on Halifax Road, where access to green space may be otherwise more limited. (e) Richness of wildlife – The site is home to a variety of bird species, owls, and deer. These species use the wider area. The Lancashire Wildlife Trust has previously commented on the site's biodiversity value in previous representations to the Local Plan process. 	YES
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No commentary provided.	At 7.0ha the site is not extensive however its boundaries are not distinct. The site shares similar characteristics to neighbouring fields and logically forms part of a larger parcel of land located between Halifax Road and Kings Causeway. This is how the site is perceived and valued by local residents and used by wildlife. The combined site (see LGS/PLP4/DM12/021) extends to 12.0ha. Whilst the site is enclosed on all sides by development, this represents an extensive area, occupying a large swathe of undeveloped land within Brierfield.	NO
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	The site does not need regular maintenance.	The site has been purchased by Pendle Council specifically for the development of a burial ground to address a shortfall in cemetery space within Nelson. Feasibility of accommodating a burial ground at this location is currently being explored. A burial ground would transform the character and use of the site. Whilst the land would remain open, the site would no longer have a natural condition and its wider recreational use will become more limited.	NO

LGS/LP4/DM12/019: Land at Clay Farm, Edge End Avenue, Brierfield (1.26ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site was designated as a Site of Settlement Character in the Replacement Pendle Local Plan 2001-2016 (2006). Brierfield Town Council will be invited to consider whether they wish to endorse the proposal to designate this site as Local Green Space.	?
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	As a Site of Settlement Character the site is currently protected under Policy 12 of the Replacement Pendle Local Plan 2001-2016 (2006). This policy designation will not be carried forward in the Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition (2021-2040). There site could be developed if not protected. The designation of the site as open space or Local Green Space would offer additional protection should it meet the necessary criteria.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No. The site is promoted for development by the landowner but is not proposed as an allocation for housing through the emerging local plan. It is not required to meet the identified housing requirement.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	No. Whilst promoted for development, the site has not previously benefited from planning permission for its development.	NO

•	Is the permission likely to be	Not applicable
	implemented?	

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community?	Adjacent to existing residential area.	The site sits within the main urban area close to the boundary of Nelson and Brierfield. It is not publicly accessible but close to and appreciated from a number of footpaths located within the wider larger parcel of open land.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to a local community?	Greatly valued as undeveloped space. It is adjacent to a listed building and contains at least one TPO. Rich habitat for wildlife including deer, sparrowhawk, field mice, pheasant, squirrels, kestrels, owls, and bird species including greenfinch, goldfinch, sparrow, robin, blue tit, coal tit, magpie, pigeons, chaffinch and bullfinch. Wildlife relies upon the protective camouflage the site provides. The site forms a natural corridor for wildlife. An example of increasingly rare tranquil space in the borough.	 (a) Beauty – greenspace within the urban area. Limited value on its own, but locally appreciated as a pocket of open land within the settlement boundary. (b) Historic significance – The site forms part of the setting of the Grade II Listed Clay Farm Cottage, helping to reveal its significance by providing the only remaining area of undeveloped open land (not farmed) close to the former farmhouse. The site itself is not however historically significant. (c) Recreational value – The site offers amenity value due to its openness. The value of the site is largely due to its role as part of a larger area undeveloped area rather than just the site itself. (d) Tranquillity – Quiet greenfield site within otherwise densely populated area. (e) Richness of wildlife – The site is home to a variety of bird species, owls, and deer. These species use the wider area of open space and this value crosses boundaries of the submitting sites. The Lancashire Wildlife Trust has previously commented on the site's biological value in previous representations to the Local Plan process. 	NO
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No commentary provided.	At 1.26ha the site is not extensive however its boundaries are not distinct. The site shares similar characteristics to neighbouring fields and logically forms part of a larger parcel of land located between Halifax Road and Kings Causeway. This is how the site is perceived and valued by local residents and used by wildlife. The combined site (see LGS/PLP4/DM12/021) extends to 12.0ha. Whilst the site is enclosed on all sides by development, this represents an extensive area, occupying a large swathe of undeveloped land within Brierfield.	NO
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	The land has been in the same condition for 30-years and does not need maintenance.	The site is privately owned and is not publicly accessible. The site requires low maintenance. The landowner is promoting the site for	?

NO

	development. The site is not however proposed as an allocation for	
	housing.	

LGS/LP4/DM12/020: Land rear of Kings Causeway, Brierfield (3.77ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site was designated as a Site of Settlement Character in the Replacement Pendle Local Plan 2001-2016 (2006). Brierfield Town Council will be invited to consider whether they wish to endorse the proposal to designate this site as Local Green Space.	?
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	As a Site of Settlement Character the site is currently protected under Policy 12 of the Replacement Pendle Local Plan 2001-2016 (2006). This policy designation will not be carried forward in the Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition (2021-2040). The site could be developed if not protected. The designation of the site as open space or Local Green Space would offer additional protection should it meet the necessary criteria.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No. Whilst promoted for development, the site has not previously benefited from planning permission for its development. It is not required to meet the identified housing requirement.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO

•	Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	No.	NO
•	Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	NO

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community?	Accessed from wider community by footpath links.	The site sits within the main urban area in Brierfield. It is accessible from the surrounding community by way of a number of public footpaths which serve to connect these communities through the site.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to a local community?	Not actively used but greatly valued by the community as a habitat for richness of wildlife including deer, sparrowhawk, field mice, pheasant, squirrels, kestrels, owls, and bird species including greenfinch, goldfinch, sparrow, robin, blue tit, coal tit, magpie, pigeons, chaffinch and bullfinch. Wildlife relies upon the protective camouflage the site provides. The site forms a natural corridor for wildlife. The site features a number of TPOs. An example of increasingly rare tranquil space in the borough.	 (a) Beauty – The site provides greenspace within the urban area. The site slopes steeply and provides views across the wider valley including of Pendle Hill which are strongly valued by local people. Whilst prominent in the landscape from views from the north the site is not of exceptional quality and does not strongly contribute to the setting of the settlement. (b) Historic significance – None. (c) Recreational value – The site's recreational value is limited by its steep topography with the site being more transitional in nature. The openness of the site and views gained from it of the wider area affords amenity value which is locally valued. (d) Tranquillity – Quiet greenfield site within otherwise densely populated area. (e) Richness of wildlife – The site is home to a variety of bird species, owls, and deer. These species use the wider area of open space. The Lancashire Wildlife Trust has previously commented on the site's biological value in previous representations to the Local Plan process. 	NO
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No commentary provided.	A linear site occupying an elevated position to the rear of Kings Causeway that is prominent in distant views. At 3.8ha the site is not extensive however its boundaries are not distinct. The site shares similar characteristics to neighbouring fields and logically forms part of a larger parcel of land located between Halifax Road and Kings Causeway. This is how the site is perceived and valued by local residents and used by wildlife. The combined site (see LGS/PLP4/DM12/021) extends to 12.0ha. Whilst the site is enclosed on all sides by development, this represents an extensive area, occupying a large swathe of undeveloped land within Brierfield.	NO
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	The land has been in the same condition for 30-years and does not need maintenance.	The site is privately owned and is not publicly accessible. The steep slope means that the land receives a low level of maintenance. The landowner is promoting the site for development, but it is not proposed as an allocation for housing in the Local Plan.	?

LGS/LP4/DM12/021: Land between Halifax Road and Kings Causeway, Brierfield (12.03ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site was designated as a Site of Settlement Character in the Replacement Pendle Local Plan 2001-2016 (2006).	?
the Parish or Town Council?	Brierfield Town Council will be invited to consider whether they wish to endorse the proposal to designate this site as Local Green Space.	
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	As a Site of Settlement Character the site is currently protected under Policy 12 of the Replacement Pendle Local Plan 2001-2016 (2006). This policy designation will not be carried forward in the Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition (2021-2040).	YES
	The site could be developed if not protected. The designation of the site as open space or Local Green Space would offer additional protection should it meet the necessary criteria.	
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	Part of the site was purchased by the Council for the purpose a creating a new cemetery owing to the shortfall of space at Nelson cemetery. Work is continuing to investigate the feasibility of developing a cemetery at the site. The designation of the site as Local Green Space may, depending on its form, prevent the delivery of the cemetery. Part of the site has been promoted for development for housing through the Local Plan. The site is not proposed as an allocation and is not required to meet the identified housing requirement.	?
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO

• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	No. Whilst promoted for development, the site has not previously benefited from planning permission for its development with previous proposals either being refused or not taken forward.	NO	
• Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A	

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site in reasonably close proximity to the community?	Adjacent to and largely accessible to the wider community.	The site sits within the main urban area at the boundary of Nelson and Brierfield. It is accessible from the surrounding community by way of a number of public footpaths which serve to connect these communities through the site.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to a local community?	Greatly valued by the community providing opportunity for informal recreation as well as amenity greenspace. Positive impact on wellbeing, particularly during COVID, helping to encourage healthy lifestyles. It is used daily by residents and especially by children in the school holidays. Trees within the site assist with mitigating the effects of climate change. The space makes a significant contribution to the landscape character of the area. The Wildlife Trust have noted the variety of grasses at the site. Rich habitat for wildlife including deer, sparrowhawk, field mice, pheasant, squirrels, kestrels, owls, and bird species including greenfinch, goldfinch, sparrow, robin, blue tit, coal tit, magpie, pigeons, chaffinch and bullfinch. Wildlife relies upon the protective camouflage the site provides. The site forms a natural corridor for wildlife. An example of increasingly rare tranquil space in the borough. Part of the site is adjacent to a listed building and contains at least one TPO.	 (a) Beauty – The site provides greenspace within the urban area. The site slopes steeply and provides views across the wider valley including of Pendle Hill which are strongly valued by local people. The quality of the site itself is limited, and the site does not play a significant role within the landscape when viewed from other viewpoints, or as part of the setting of Brierfield. (b) Historic significance – A small part of the site forms part of the setting of the Grade II Listed Clay Farm Cottage, helping to reveal its significance by providing the only remaining open land (not farmed) close to the former farmhouse. The wider field is not known to have any broader historic significance. (c) Recreational value – This varies across the site according to its public accessibility and physical constraints. The lower part of the site is actively used by the community for walking, dog walking, playing and spotting wildlife. The site is crossed by a network of paths. The southern and western parts of the site owing to their openness and views granted across the wider valley. (d) Tranquillity – Quiet greenfield site within otherwise densely populated area. The lower field is especially important for residents on Halifax Road, where access to green space may be otherwise more limited. The upper field grants long range views across the urban area and countryside beyond. (e) Richness of wildlife – The site is home to a variety of bird species, owls, and deer. The Lancashire Wildlife Trust has previously commented on the site's biological value in previous representations to the Local Plan process. 	YES

Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No information provided.	The site occupies an extensive area of undeveloped land amounting to 12ha. It cannot be readily broken up into smaller land parcels.	NO
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	The site is low maintenance and has been in the same condition for at least the last 30-years.	Part of the site is publicly owned and features a strong network of footpaths. The site is heavily used by the surrounding community. Parts of the site in private ownership are generally of more limited access. The Council propose to develop land within its landownership for a cemetery. This will transform the character and use of the site. The valued attributes of the site will not therefore endure if this proposal comes to fruition. Privately owned parcels are being promoted for development, and whilst not proposed for housing, may come forward during the plan period.	NO

LGS/LP4/DM12/022: Former Brierfield Water Treatment Works (6.4ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been nominated by several members of the public. Brierfield Town Council will be invited to consider whether they wish to endorse the proposal to designate this site as Local Green Space.	?
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1). It is also designated as woodland (WD321) in the Pendle Open Space Audit (2019) and protected by Policy ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015). These designations offer sufficient protection from development at this location.	NO
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	The site has been promoted for development, but no application has been received to develop the site.	NO
• Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Stage 2: Site Appraisal			
Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	No information provided.	Edge of settlement location.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	The site is closed off to the public and has no use other than for wildlife. The site is identified in the Public Open Space Audit. If developed, Brierfield would face a deficit of open space. Poor management has harmed that the site and encouraged invasive species. The area was/in a wildlife haven for many creatures including bats, badgers, and deer. The site is owned by a developer.	 (a) Beauty – The site is not publicly accessible, with limited opportunity for views through the site from its boundaries. The site provides a green setting to the Leeds and Liverpool Canal and Pendle Water. (b) Historic significance – None known. Former site of the Brierfield Water Treatment Works. (c) Recreational value – Amenity value only. The site is not publicly accessible. It does form part of the setting of the route of the Leeds and Liverpool Canal. (d) Tranquillity – The site is tranquil but cannot be enjoyed directly and is often experienced as part of a wider context (e.g. the canal setting or Pendle Water). It can only be viewed externally from the canal towpath or public right of way on the western bank of Pendle Water. (e) Richness of wildlife – Offers a number of habitats for wildlife making a positive contribution to the wider wildlife corridor provided by the canal and Pendle Water and forming a link between these two sites. The site is however overgrown and poorly maintained. The site features a number of invasive species. 	NO
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No information provided.	Whilst large the site is not extensive in character having clear boundaries and is bordered to the east by the Leeds and Liverpool Canal and west by Pendle Water. It is not a significant walk around the boundaries of the site.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	Owner faces restocking order to replant 500 trees that has been felled. There appears to be no attempt to manage the site.	The site is privately owned and is overgrown. The site is subject to a restocking order which has not been fully implemented.	NO

LGS/LP4/DM12/023: Land to the rear of Chatburn Park Drive, Brierfield (1.2ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been nominated by a member of the public supported by a petition of over 350 signatures. Brierfield Town Council will be invited to consider whether they wish to endorse the proposal to designate this site as Local Green Space.	?
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1) and adjacent to the settlement boundary. It is not subject to any other policy designation. The designation of the site as open space or Local Green Space would help offer additional protection should it meet the necessary criteria.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	No	NO
• Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	No information provided.	Edge of settlement location.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	The site is tightly sandwiched between several green/wildlife corridors including the attached woodland, Pendle Water, and the Leeds/Liverpool Canal. It forms a transition from a manmade environment to natural landscapes at the urban fringe and is an essential area linking and connecting Brierfield to the network of footpaths in Pendle granting safe access to a variety of different locations including Chatburn Park Playground, Clitheroe Road, the Leeds and Liverpool Canal, and picnic sites. The field provides a contrast to the canal and woodland. It provides a sense of seclusion, enclosure and stillness. The experience during the day is in contrast to the night with dark skies since the removal of motorway lighting. The field and footpath have a long history suggesting an extended period of use. The site forms part of the Chamber Hill area of open countryside which has its own history which is still felt today through the value attributed to the site by residents and by the evidence of old farm buildings and workings found within the site. The site is used by dog walkers, children for play, exercise, community craft groups, ramblers, commuters. The site is highly valued by residents and visitors alike, with local people often not aware that it exists, and some noting it as 'Brierfield's last field'. The site has been highlighted as part of the Super Slow Way Linear Park Project and has been identified as a location for cycleway/footpath enhancement by Lancashire County Council through a recent consultation. The site supports a wide range of wildlife including; bats, field mice, weasel, roe deer, frogs, kestrel, sparrow hawks, buzzards, barn owls, butterfly, bees, fox, herons, newts, woodpeckers, squirrels, a wide range of birds including greenfinch, song thrush, house sparrows, and bullfinch.	 (a) Beauty – The site helps soften the edge of the settlement and removes the visual effects of the adjacent motorway. The site is enclosed resulting in a feeling of seclusion once entered, but its proximity to the motorway, adjacent housing and its overgrown condition erode this to some extent. The site is not exceptional in its appearance or wider role within the landscape. (b) Historic significance – The footpath which crosses the site is shown on historic mapping and there is some evidence of this heritage on site with a short section of cobbled paving evident. The significance of this footpath is unclear at this time. The site forms part of the larger Chamber Hill area which refers to a historical rural area on the fringe of Brierfield. The significance of the area has long since been eroded with the development of the motorway and suburbanisation of the area. Few signs of this area within Brierfield remain. The motorway forms a clear boundary between urbanised influences to the east and rural areas to the west. (c) Recreational value – The principal role of the site is as a walking route between the play area on Chatburn Park Road and the Leeds and Liverpool Canal. Opportunities for broader uses appear limited due to the site's overgrown condition and the fact that it is in private ownership. There is little evidence of its wider use by the local community. The site provides amenity value for its green outlook, the access to nature that it offers and the sense of enclosure it provides which is beneficial for health and wellbeing. The site has local value, but its wider significantly eroded by the noise of passing traffic using the M65 motorway. (e) Richness of wildlife – The site offers and Liverpool Canal, Pendle Water and M65 Motorway which are in close proximity at this location. An adjacent area of woodland helps the site act as a stepping stone between the canal and Pendle Water. 	NO

Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	Enclosed and secluded site with strong boundaries.	The site is local in character and has strong boundaries. It occupies an undeveloped area of land between the M65 motorway and the settlement boundary and is not extensive in scale.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	The field receives little to no maintenance. If the status quo is maintained costs would be minimal.	The site is privately owned and overgrown with access provided by the presence of a public right of way. The site has not been previously promoted for development and the landowner's intentions for the site are unknown at this time. The proximity of the motorway forms a significant constraint to development of the site. Lancashire County Council through their Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP), wish to improve local walking and cycling links through the area opening up the potential for enhancement of the local environment.	

LGS/LP4/DM12/024: Land to the south of South Valley Drive, Colne (3.28ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been nominated by several community interest groups. Colne Town Council will be invited to consider whether they wish to endorse the proposal to designate this site as Local Green Space.	?
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1) and adjacent to the settlement boundary. It is not subject to any other policy designation. The designation of the site as open space or Local Green Space would help offer additional protection should it meet the necessary criteria.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No. Whilst the site is being promoted by the landowner, the site is not proposed as an allocation through the emerging local plan. The site is not required to meet the identified housing requirement.	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040. However the site (P001) is being promoted for development through the Local Plan process.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	No, previous proposals permitted for housing at the site have not been implemented.	NO
• Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Map showing location of the site.	Edge of settlement location accessible to the community.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	'South Valley Field' used as open space for over a century which has already been eroded by the Knotts Mount development. The fields have been invaluable for health and wellbeing. The area is used heavily for dog walking and recreation (including the 1977 Silver Jubilee Sports Day). In winter sledging takes place in the snow. The connections through the site to Gibb Hill, Lenches and Castercliff make it a popular walking route, with a public right of way stretching along the southern boundary of the site, and another traversing north-southward through the site. Extensive views across the site can be had from the footpath along the south of the site. The site is prominent in views of Colne. The area is regularly used to collect Holly, being historically known as Rowlings Hollins. The area is a hunting ground for barn owls and tawny owls. Buzzards and Sparrowhawk are also seen. The site has habitat ideal for Snipe (and is a targeted area for Snipe by DEFRA). The site is also adjoined to targeted areas for Lapwing and Curlew. Bat and bird boxes are located across the site. Several birds including heron, treecreeper, brambling, tree sparrow, house sparrow, chiffchaff, goldfinch, green finch, great tit, blue tit, long tailed tit, swallow, swift, great spotted woodpecker and bullfinch can be spotted at the site. Curlew can now also be regularly observed in south valley fields.	 (a) Beauty – Edge of settlement site greenfield site valued for its openness. The quality of the site itself is limited. The site is prominent within the landscape but seen in the context of neighbouring modern development. (b) Historic significance – The area has been used by residents over an extensive period, but this area has gradually been eroded by development which has occurred over time. (c) Recreational value – Principally for walking with public right of way connections and access granted into the wider open countryside. The site has amenity value in the views granted across the valley and over to Pendle Hill. Anecdotally used for sledging and collecting holly. (d) Tranquillity – Any tranquillity provided is due to the site being undeveloped rather than any specific qualities, such as the panoramic views of the wider landscape which can be gained from the top of the site. (e) Richness of wildlife – The site is adjacent to an area of woodland and offers a habitat for a wide range of wildlife. The is part of a wider ecological network together with undeveloped land to the west, connecting it with the Local Nature Reserve at Gib Hill. 	NO
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	Clearly defined boundaries with the north side contained by the Knotts Mount Estate and to the south the woodland plantation of the former Knotts Lane landfill site.	The site has strong boundaries on three sides but its western boundary is more open and less distinct. Land to the west shares similar characteristics as the nominated site increasing its perceived scale. The site is not local in character for this reason.	NO
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	Landscape based recreational area. There is a grazing licence in place. Occasional grazing benefits wildlife. Members of the local community regularly litter pick, in additional to organised litter picks undertaken by Waterside Action Group.	The site is occasionally grazed and not regularly maintained. The landowner is however promoting the site for housing and a proposal may come forward within the plan period.	?

LGS/LP4/DM12/025: The Upper Rough, Castle Road, Colne (10.55ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been nominated by Colne Town Council and other interest groups.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1) and adjacent to the settlement boundary. It is not subject to any other policy designation. The designation of the site as open space or Local Green Space would help offer additional protection should it meet the necessary criteria.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No. Whilst the site is being promoted for development by the landowner, development of the site is not needed to meet the identified housing requirement within the emerging draft Local Plan.	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site was previously allocated as a Protected Site (RPLP Policy 3a), which required its future to be determined in a future review of the Local Plan. The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	Part of the wider site has been developed (Boulsworth View), whilst permission for the remaining part of the site has been recently refused by the Council (see application ref: 22/0790/OUT).	NO
• Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	The site is close to a densely populated urban area, characterised by traditional Victorian terraces with some social housing and private development.	Edge of settlement location.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	The site comprises of roughly 20 acres of rough pasture which lies to the east of Colne. Part of the south of the site is located within the Lidgett and Bents Conservation Area. The hedgerow along the northern boundary is designated as 'important' under The Hedgerows Regulations 1997. Lancashire's Ecological Networks show that the majority of The Upper Rough has a good connection to areas of priority grassland and adjoins areas of priority woodland. The Upper Rough is a key nesting ground for the Curlew and Mistle Thrush – both red listed birds and the site has been confirmed as providing suitable breeding habitat by the RSPB. The site has a wild and open atmosphere. The site features an abundance of plant species, including meadow foxtail, red fescue, sweet-vernal-grass, Yorkshire-fog, meadow buttercup, cuckooflower, meadow greases, red clover, ribwort plantain, and rushes. The site is used for grazing of liverstock by a local farmer. The Upper Rough is crossed by the East Colne Way and Winewall Circular, information boards have been erected by Lidgett and Beyond (a community organised charity) to provide interest and information about the area and its wildlife. The site has been used by the town's residents for recreation for centuries. The openness of the Rough and the role the site makes to the setting and significance of the Lidgett and Beyond Conservation Area and Listed Buildings was highlighted within the Appeal decision relating to a previous proposal to develop the site for housing. The Appeal for the larger scheme was dismissed. The site was also considered to perform a Green Belt function by the Green Belt Assessment despite not forming part of the designated Green Belt.	 (a) Beauty – Prominent edge of settlement site. The site is largely made up of scrubland used for the grazing of sheep. It can be seen from the Mire Ridge and Winewall to the south. The field provides a distinctive and important break in development between modern suburban development to the west and the more rural character Lidgett and Bents Conservation Area to the east which is evident in views from the south. Distinctive views of Colne, Pendle Hill and Boulsworth Hill can be obtained within the site. (b) Historic significance – Part of the site is within and forms part of the setting of the Lidgett and Bents Conservation Area. The site provides the last remaining undeveloped context for weaver cottages along Lidgett which includes a Grade II Listed Building and serves (with land known as the Lidgett Triangle) to separate suburban Colne from the more rural character of Bents. A Grade II Listed building also sits at the southern corner of the site. (c) Recreational value – The site is used regularly by walkers, forming part of the East Colne way and Winewall Circular. The wider landscape has long been used by local residents for recreation and is the last remaining part of Lob Common which long existed to the north of Colne along the North Valley. The site is strongly valued by local residents for the costs colne and to Boulsworth and to appreciate nature. (d) Tranquillity – Tranquillity is granted by the views which can be gained from the top of the site of the wider landscape. The site provides a peaceful space on the edge of the settlement. (e) Richness of wildlife – The site offers habitat to a wider range of wildlife as observed locally and in particular the red listed Curlew and Mistle Thrush. The site maintains this role as part of a wider ecological network shared by its undeveloped surroundings. 	YES

s the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	The site has an area of 10.55ha. The site is bound to the west and south by existing residential areas. The eastern boundary is a mix of residential property and open land. The northern boundary tapers to a point with open land located beyond.	The site is large in size located at the eastern edge of Colne. The openness of the site and its hillside location contribute to this feeling of scale. The site could be considered to be extensive, however in May 2023 the independent examiner for the Colne Neighbourhood Plan concluded that the site does not form an extensive tract of land.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	The draft local plan does not require the development of the Upper Rough in order to meet the proposed housing requirement. Day-to-day management of the site is carried out by the farmer who uses the land for grazing sheep. The grass is never cut. This low level of maintenance has been undertaken for many years, ensuing that the wild and valuable flora and fauna-rich environment is retained.	The site is comprised of grazed scrubland in private ownership which is crossed by a number of public footpaths. The Town Council and Lidgett and Beyond are both active in promoting this area. The landowner is actively promoting the site for housing and has recently been subject to a planning application.	?

LGS/LP4/DM12/026: Land at Lenches Road and Knotts Lane, Colne (7.7ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been nominated by Colne Town Council and a community interest group.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1) and isolated from the settlement boundary. It is not subject to any other policy designation. The designation of the site as open space or Local Green Space would help offer additional protection should it meet the necessary criteria.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	The site is being promoted for development by the landowner. However, the allocation of the site is not necessary to meet the housing requirement set out in the Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition (2021-2040), as sufficient land has been identified.	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site is not site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	An application for planning permission to develop 152 dwellings on part of the site (21/0947/FUL) was withdrawn by the applicant. No further applications, proposing development of the site, have subsequently been received.	NO
• Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	The site is accessible by way of a number of entry points from nearby homes. It is the closest area of open space for residents in Knotts Drive and the South Valley Estates.	Slightly detached from the settlement boundary but accessible to residents in Waterside and Knotts Lane; although the site's accessibility is reduced by its steep topography.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	The south side of the land is highly visual from every vantage point in Colne and affords considerable visual amenity. The site is a protected view within the Colne Neighbourhood Plan. The site is subject to significant recreational use including by walkers, families for picnics, bramble pickers, nature gazers, bathing, fishing and for child play. The land is contained by tumbledown stone walls which are a haven for local wildlife. The Lenches area is rich in flora and fauna including dragon and damselflies. The ponds contain aquatic plants including yellow water lily. There have been sightings of otter, great crested newts, toads and water oysters. Kestrels, buzzards, and heron are regular visitors, along with woodcock, willow tit, fieldfare, song thrust, redwing, mistle thrush, house sparrow, and grey wag tail. Barn Owl and Roe Deer also visit the site, along with Noctule Bats and Common Pipistrelle Bats. The woodland corridor at the southern Lenches boundary is part of Colne's green infrastructure and is carpeted with bluebell. Bluebell is an indicator species of ancient woodland (and is a TPO). Footpaths crossing the site have been carved into the land by generations. This includes the Castercliffe Way – an advertised circular walk. Waterside Bridge and Wool Pack are Grade II Listed Buildings are located nearby. Reed Row, a terrace of traditional weavers' cottages are 270 years old and are located adjacent to the site. South Valley lacks public parks and has a growing population. It is a deprived area with the highest crime rate in Colne. Car ownership is low and the proportion of young residents is higher. Access to green space is therefore important, and this access is strongly valued by residents of the area, with benefits for their health and wellbeing.	 (a) Beauty – Prominent edge of settlement site. The site is varied in character, including mill ponds used for fishing in the west, a central "hidden valley" and an open area of scrubland to the east. The quality of the site is varied due to the lack of management although the site includes locally important features such as the woodland along its southern boundary, which contains features that are characteristic of an ancient woodland, although the site is not identified as such. The site provides an important green backdrop to Colne and is prominent in views from its High Street and from the rows of terraced streets in the area. The site contributes to maintaining the unique and distinctive rural setting of the town. It is important to many people who live and are associated with the town for this reason. Though the site features in long range views, it is not extraordinary when viewed in the context of surrounding undeveloped fields. (b) Historic significance – The landscape painting in the Colne Town Hall Council Chamber is a view from Lenches. This reflects its importance in views into, and out of, the Albert Road Conservation Area and the town centre, where it provides a green backdrop to the town. The Conservation Area Appraisal does not make specific mention of the site itself but references the open countryside to the south of the town. (c) Recreational value – The site contains a network of footpaths including a single public right of way which runs north-south through the centre of the site. This is part of the Castercliff Way. The quality of other footpaths on the site is accessibility and usefulness for sections of the community. Two ponds in the west of the site are used for private fishing. Anecdotal information suggests that the site is used for picnics, bathing and observing wildlife 	NC

		 (d) Tranquillity – Tranquillity is granted by the views which can be gained from the site of the surrounding landscape. Pockets within the site provide the feeling of seclusion, providing a peaceful space on the edge of the settlement. The site has an important role for health and wellbeing of the community which is one of the most deprived neighbourhoods in Pendle. (e) Richness of wildlife – The site is an integral part of the open countryside to the south of Colne. It offers a relatively secluded habitat close to the built-up area where varied flora and fauna can be found. 	
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	The site can be crossed in 10 minutes. The site can be broken down into smaller unique parcels of land.	The site occupies a large area of open countryside to the south of Colne. The site is varied in character across its full extent contributing to the perceived scale of the site. Being detached from the settlement boundary, significant changes in topography and uninterrupted views towards Colne Town Centre and beyond all contribute to the feeling of the site's large scale. The site's northern boundary is not clearly defined, with the land beyond it (not part of the site nomination) sharing similar characteristics to the site itself. The site forms part of a larger undeveloped landscape to both the east and west which further blurs its boundaries.	NO
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	A recent planning application to develop the Lenches was withdrawn after negative reports from the Coal Authority, LCC Highways and Officers recommendation to refuse.	The site is in private ownership and comprises scrubland crossed by a single public right of way. A network of informal footpaths radiates out from this route. The site is not actively managed by the landowner who is promoting the site for housing development.	?

LGS/LP4/DM12/027: Land at Briercliffe Avenue, Colne (0.4ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been nominated by Colne Town Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is designated as amenity greenspace (AG151) in the Pendle Open Space Audit (2019) and protected by Policy ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015), requiring alternative provision if lost unless there is a demonstrated absence of demand. This designation offers sufficient protection from development.	NO
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	No.	NO
•	Is the permission likely to be	
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	implemented?	

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	The site is situated in front of numerous semi-detached properties and a few bungalows for the elderly. This green space predominantly serves Briercliffe Avenue and its residents. Many of the properties are social housing.	Green space within an existing community.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	This area of long thin green space consists of a flat area of grass with extensive tree planting. This area is mainly used by children and dog walkers and provides valued green space for residents. This green space certainly holds significant importance for locals, this can be demonstrated if one were to visit on a daily basis and observe how it is used for informal recreation and safe play. The trees attract wildlife, and it provides a generally healthy outlook for the residents of this densely populated part of Colne, just off the busy Burnley Road. This area is akin to several sites already designated as Local Green Space in the Colne Neighbourhood Plan including Thorn Grove and St Stephen's Way.	 (a) Beauty – Central verge with planted trees and grasses. The site has been left unmown for the benefit of nature by the Council. The site is pleasant but not considered remarkable or beautiful in comparison to other green spaces or verges found in Pendle. (b) Historic significance – None. The site provides amenity greenspace for residents left undeveloped probably due to the site featuring water infrastructure running beneath it. (c) Recreational value – The site holds amenity value and is likely used for play. The area is accessible to Gib Hill which offers a much larger and diverse landscape to explore and enjoy. The proximity of Gib Hill likely dilutes the significance of this site. (d) Tranquillity – The site provides a greening to the urban area and break from development, in reality the sense of tranquillity gained from the site is limited by the site being contained by road infrastructure and homes. (e) Richness of wildlife – Trees likely provide habitat for birds, and grasses for insects. The site may function in acting as a stepping stone connecting better quality wildlife corridors at Gib Hill to the south, and Colne Water to the north. 	NO
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No information provided.	Amenity greenspace within central highway verge. The site is contained and small in scale.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	With ongoing grass-cutting and tree maintenance, the site's characteristics can be maintained. It is currently maintained by Pendle Borough Council.	The site is owned and maintained by Pendle Borough Council.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/028: Dewhurst Street Community Space (0.05ha)



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Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site was nominated by two community groups. Colne Town Council will be invited to consider whether they wish to endorse the proposal to designate this site as Local Green Space.	?
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is designated as woodland (WD124) in the Pendle Open Space Audit (2019) and protected by Policy ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015)), requiring alternative provision if lost unless there is a demonstrated absence of demand. This designation offers sufficient protection from development.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	No	NO

•	Is the permission likely to be	Not applicable.
	implemented?	

Criteria	iteria Supporting evidence Pendle Council assessment		
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Plan showing proximity of the site to existing homes.	The site is close to the edge of the settlement but is easily accessed by the community it is intended to serve.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	This area of green space is a valued community amenity. Many of the terraced homes close to this area have no garden access and this area serves as a local community garden. It is a valued meeting place for the community and is essential in maintaining wellbeing. It is a great place to watch birds feeding and to meet people passing by. There is also an up-to-date community notice board at the site. The bench and bins are well used, but walkers, anglers and those walking up Knotts Lane. The grassed area has been planted with daffodils and tulips within two plants. The area is maintained by a dedicated group of volunteers.	 (a) Beauty – The site is well maintained and has won an award from Colne Town Council. The site forms a manicured landscape which has limited features. Owing to the site's small scale the contribution made by the site is local only and its wider significance is more limited. (b) Historic significance – None (c) Recreational value – The site provides seating on land set back from Knotts Lane. It likely functions as accessible open space for nearby residents who do not have or have a small back garden. The use and value of the site is proportionate to the site's current designation as public open space. (d) Tranquillity – The site is adjacent to a well-used, but not overly busy road. (e) Richness of wildlife – The grassed areas are manicured, but the trees offer a habitat for birds. 	NO
Is the site local in character and not an extensive tract of land?	No information provided.	No. The site is local in character and has strong boundaries.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	The area is maintained by a voluntary group. Their work has been recognised by a certificate of merit from Colne in Bloom. The bench has recently been refurbished by Colne Town Council. The site is owned by Pendle Borough Council.	Yes, the site is maintained by a local community group. The site is publicly owned and there are no proposals to dispose the site.	YES

N/A

LGS/LP4/DM12/029: Langroyd Country Park, Colne (9.70ha)





Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site was nominated by an individual. Colne Town Council will be able to consider whether they wish to endorse the proposal to designate this site as Local Green Space.	?
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1) and forms part of the Green Belt (RPLP Policy 3). It is also designated as woodland (WD124) in the Open Space Audit (2019). As such the site is currently protected by Policies 1 and 3 of the Replacement Local Plan 2001-2016 (2006) and Policy ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015)), requiring alternative provision if lost unless there is a demonstrated absence of demand. These designations offer sufficient protection from development at this location.	NO
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	The site has not been promoted for development.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO

•	Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	No	NO
•	Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	No information provided.	The site is in the open countryside but adjoins the settlement boundary. There are three points of access on foot, two off Langroyd Road to the east and a third along the shore of Lake Burwain to the west.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	No information provided.	 A proposal to name the site Langroyd Country Park and for it to become part of the East Lancashire Regional Park was reflected in Policy 37 of the Replacement Pendle Local Plan (2006), but the Regional Park initiative was not taken forward. (a) Beauty – The site is a mixture of unmaintained grassland and woodland. There are extensive countryside views where the two footpaths meet alongside Lake Burwain. (b) Historic significance – None (c) Recreational value – The site provides visual amenity, with visitors largely confined to the two footpaths that cross the site. The street furniture on the site is in poor condition and a stone seating area is in a state of disrepair. (d) Tranquillity – The site is adjacent to the A56, but traffic noise is dissipated by woodland areas alongside this busy main road. (e) Richness of wildlife – The site is kept in a natural state offering a range of habitats for wildlife. The site is designated as woodland in the open space audit (WD358) and some additional tree planting has taken place in recent years (see image above). 	NO
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	No information provided.	This is a large site with indistinct boundaries along its western boundary, where it merges seamlessly into the open countryside. There are strong boundaries to the north (Lake Burwain), to the east (highway) and to the south (housing).	NO
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	No information provided.	The site is designated as Green Belt (RPLP Policy 3), so it is considered to be capable of enduring beyond the end of the plan period (i.e. 2040).	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/030: Heirs House Lane, Colne (14.60ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town	The site was nominated by an individual.	?
Council?	Colne Town Council will be able to consider whether they wish to endorse the proposal to designate this site as Local Green Space as part of the public consultation to consider the results of Pendle Council's site assessment.	
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1) and forms part of the Green Belt (RPLP Policy 3). Parts of the site are also designated as open space (WD352 and WD353 Woodland) in the Open Space Audit (2019). As such the site is currently protected by Policies 1 and 3 of the Replacement Local Plan 2001-2016 (2006) and Policy ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015). These designations offer sufficient protection from development at this location.	NO
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	No	NO
• Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	No information submitted.	The site is in the open countryside. It adjoins the settlement boundary, but there is no public access onto the site. The site makes an important contribution to the purposes of Green Belt by preventing urban sprawl and protecting an area of open countryside that maintains the separation between Colne and Barrowford.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	No information submitted.	 (a) Beauty – The site is an attractive mix of pasture and mature woodland. The site has a strong visual appeal given that it was formerly part of the parkland fronting Heirs House. (b) Historic significance – The land was previously part of the grounds through which the driveway linking Heirs House with the B6247 (Barrowford Road) passed. (c) Recreational value – The site offers significant visual amenity in key views from the Leeds and Liverpool Canal, Barrowford Road and the viewpoint in Alkincoats Park. (d) Tranquillity – There is no public access onto the site. (e) Richness of wildlife – The site is used as grazing land and has limited value for biodiversity. 	ΝΟ
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	No information submitted.	No. The site is extensive in nature, and whilst contained to the north, east and south is open to the west, with extensive views out towards Pendle Hill.	NO
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	No information submitted.	Yes. The site is designated as Green Belt (RPLP Policy 3) so it is considered to be capable of enduring beyond the end of the plan period (i.e. 2040).	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/031: Blue Bell Farm, Colne (6.15ha)





Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site was nominated by an individual. Colne Town Council will be able to consider whether they wish to endorse the proposal to designate this site as Local Green Space.	?
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1) and forms part of the Green Belt (RPLP Policy 3). Parts of the site are also within the Lidgett and Bents Conservation Area. As such the site is currently protected by Policies 1 and 3 of the Replacement Local Plan 2001-2016 (2006) and Policy ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015). These designations offer sufficient protection from development at this location.	NO
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	Νο	NO

 Is the 	permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.
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Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	No information provided	The site is in the open countryside and is some distance from YES the settlement boundary.
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	No information provided	 (a) Beauty – The site is grazing land with no special features. (b) Historic significance – None. (c) Recreational value – A footpath (FP1304216) passes through the site from north to south. (d) Tranquillity – Castle Road and Skipton Old Road border the site but are lightly trafficked. (e) Richness of wildlife – The site is used as grazing land.
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	No information provided	No. The site is extensive in nature. Whilst it is contained by roads to the north, east and south merges seamlessly with the open countryside to the west.
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	No information provided	Yes. The site is designated as Green Belt (RPLP Policy 3) so it is considered to be capable of enduring beyond the end of the plan period (i.e. 2040).

LGS/LP4/DM12/032: Earby Waterfalls Park (3.15ha)

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Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been identified by Pendle Council. Earby Town Council will be able to consider whether they wish to endorse the proposal to designate this site as Local Green Space.	?
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1) and adjacent to the settlement boundary. It is also designated as a park (PK019), play area (PA040) and woodland (WD422) in the Pendle Open Space Audit (2019). As such the site is currently protected by ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015), requiring alternative provision if lost unless there is a demonstrated absence of demand. Designation as a LGS would help to acknowledge the value of the area as a whole and its importance to the town.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	No.	NO

• Is the permission likely to be	Not applicable.	N/A
implemented?		

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Not applicable.	The site is in the open countryside, but adjacent to the settlement boundary. There is a small car park at the western end of the site.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	Not applicable.	 (a) Beauty – The site comprises two fields either side of Wentcliffe Brook. The field to the north includes a range of playground equipment, whilst that to the south is set aside for picnics and ball games. (b) Historic significance – The "Earby Waterfalls" have been a popular destination for villagers taking a short walk or looking to picnic on Birley Playing Fields. (c) Recreational value – The site contains Birley Playing Fields (PK019) and Birley Play Area (PA040) which are designated as open space and a footpath (FP1305033) passes through the site from east to west. A circular walk from the town visits Earby Waterfalls Park before exploring the area surrounding the town. (d) Tranquillity – The site is designed to encourage children to play in a safe environment, but the site is tranquil for much of the time. (e) Richness of wildlife – The site contains grassland, woodland and aquatic environments, but the use of the sites means that these are not undisturbed. 	YES
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	Not applicable.	Yes. A relatively large site, which benefits from being broken up into smaller parcels each with their own distinct character. Clearly defined boundaries separate the site from the open countryside.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	Not applicable.	Yes. The site is designated as open space, and this is unlikely to change in the immediate future.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/033: Higham Park (1.39ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site was designated as a Site of Settlement Character in the Replacement Pendle Local Plan 2001-2016 (2006). Higham-with-West Close Booth Parish Council will be able to consider whether they wish to endorse the proposal to designate this site as Local Green Space.	?
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	As a Site of Settlement Character the site is currently protected under Policy 12 of the Replacement Pendle Local Plan 2001-2016 (2006). This policy designation will not be carried forward in the Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition (2021-2040).	YES

	The site is designated as play area with associated grassland (PA041) and outdoor sports (OS094) in the Pendle Open Space Audit (2019). As such the site is also protected by Policy ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015). Designation as a LGS would help to acknowledge the value of the area as a whole and its importance to the village.	
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	No.	NO
• Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Not applicable.	The site provides important greenspace at the heart of the village and contributes positively to its character.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	Not applicable.	 (a) Beauty – The site comprises one large field separated by a tree line. The field to the north includes a range of playground equipment, whilst that to the south is marked out as a playing pitch (small-sided football). (b) Historic significance – The park makes a positive contribution to the character and appearance of the village reflecting that it is still strongly influenced by its origins as a farming settlement. (c) Recreational value – The site contains Croft Lane Play Area (PA041) and associated grassland and the sports pitch at Higham Hall Road (OS094) which are designated as open space. Footpath (FP1314042 passes along the eastern boundary of the site. (d) Tranquillity – The site is designed to encourage children to play in a safe environment, but the site is tranquil for much of the time. (e) Richness of wildlife – The grassland areas are mown on a regular basis limiting their habitat value, but there are some mature trees on the site with extensive canopies. 	YES
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	Not applicable.	Yes. A relatively large site, which benefits from being broken into two smaller parcels each with its own distinct character. Clearly defined boundaries separate the site from surrounding residential development.	YES

Can the attributes of the site endure in the	Not applicable.	The site is designated as open space, and this is unlikely to change in	YES
long-term?		the immediate future.	

LGS/LP4/DM12/034: Chapelfields, Kelbrook (1.22ha)



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Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site was designated as a Site of Settlement Character in the Replacement Pendle Local Plan 2001-2016 (2006). Kelbrook and Sough Parish Council will be able to consider whether they wish to endorse the proposal to designate this site as	?
	Local Green Space as part of the public consultation to consider the results of Pendle Council's site assessment.	
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	As a Site of Settlement Character the site is currently protected under Policy 12 of the Replacement Pendle Local Plan 2001- 2016 (2006). This policy designation will not be carried forward in the Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition (2021-2040).	YES
	It is not appropriate to designate the site as open space, so Local Green Space is the only possible option.	_
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	No.	NO

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Not applicable.	The site is immediately north of the village centre.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	Not applicable.	 (a) Beauty – The site comprises of a field that is used for the grazing of sheep. Its most significant asset is the visual amenity if affords by allowing unobstructed views into the historic heart of the village and of St Mary's Church when approaching from the north on the A56. (b) Historic significance – The field makes a positive contribution to the character and appearance of the village reflecting that it is still strongly influenced by its origins as a farming settlement. This facet, typical of smaller Yorkshire villages, has sadly been lost in many places. (c) Recreational value – Footpath FP1305056 passes along the southern boundary of the site. (d) Tranquillity – The site separates the village centre from the busy A56, but tranquillity is not an attribute of the site. (e) Richness of wildlife – The field is mown on a regular basis limiting its habitat value. The extensive hedgerow along Church Lane is a haven for small birds and other wildlife. 	YES
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	Not applicable.	A relatively small field close to the centre of the village used for the grazing of sheep brought down from the nearby moors, particularly during the lambing season. The field has strong boundaries formed by a combination of large hedgerows and metal railings.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	Not applicable.	The site has been used for grazing for many years. Its attributes are capable of enduring if designated as Local Green Space.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/035: Recreation Ground, Laneshaw Bridge (0.42ha)





Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been identified by Pendle Borough Council. The Parish Council will be able to consider whether they wish to endorse the proposal to designate this site as Local Green Space as part of the public consultation to consider the results of Pendle Council's site assessment.	?
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is designated as a play area (PA002) and outdoor sports (OS096) in the Pendle Open Space Audit (2019). As such the site is currently protected by ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015), requiring alternative provision if lost unless there is a demonstrated absence of demand. Designation as a LGS would help to acknowledge the value of the area as a whole and its importance to the village.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	No.	NO

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Not applicable.	The site is close to the centre of the village. YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	Not applicable.	 (a) Beauty – The site comprises of play area and associated playing field. (b) Historic significance – The area makes a positive contribution to the character and appearance of the village reflecting that it is still strongly influenced by its origins as a farming settlement. (c) Recreational value – This is the only accessible greenspace within the village envelope. Footpath FP1305056 passes along the southern boundary of the site. (d) Tranquillity – Although set back from the busy A6068, the site is a playground and sports pitch, so tranquillity is not a key feature of the site. (e) Richness of wildlife – The grassland areas are mown on a regular basis limiting their habitat value.
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	Not applicable.	The site is relatively compact with strong boundaries formed YES by a stone wall and fencing.
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	Not applicable.	The site is designated as open space, and this is unlikely to change in the immediate future.

LGS/LP4/DM12/036: Gib Hill, Nelson/Colne (15.0ha)

Site Plan



Stage 1: Desk Top Assessment

Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been identified by an individual. The Parish Council will be able to consider whether they wish to endorse the proposal to designate this site as Local Green Space as part of the public consultation to consider the results of Pendle Council's site assessment.	?
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site was previously designated as HMR Reserved Housing land in the Replacement Pendle Local Plan 2001-2016 (2006). The proposal to allocate the site for housing in the Pendle Local Plan Part 2 (2021) met with significant public opposition. The Council resolved to remove the site from its disposal programme and in 2022 it was designated as a Local Nature Reserve (LNR). The three fields in the north east corner are also designated as a Biological Heritage Site (BHS). As such the site is currently protected by ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015), requiring alternative provision if lost unless there is a demonstrated absence of demand. These designations offer sufficient protection from development at this location.	NO
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	No, the proposed allocation of the site for housing in the draft Pendle Local Plan Part 2 was removed in 2021 and the site was withdrawn from the Council's disposal programme.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	No.	NO
• Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?		The site forms part of an area of open countryside between Nelson and Colne. Footpath FP1306124 crosses the site from east to west. It links Gib Hill Road in Nelson with several streets in Colne: Briercliffe Avenue (via FP1304179), Wackersall Road (via FP1304180), Gib Field Road (via FP1304176) and Bott House Lane (via FP1306125). Several poorly defined footpaths radiate out from these public rights of way. A local community group 'Hillside Heroes' helps to maintain and manage the site.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?		 (a) Beauty – The site has a northerly aspect. It is highly visible in long distance views, helping to show the break between Nelson and Colne, which is not evident when driving along the A56. (b) Historic significance – Although there is no known historical significance on the site, it is close to Tum Hill and the Roman Fort at Castercliffe. The Colne Boundary Walk passes through the site. 	YES

	 (c) Recreational value – Planning application 23/0148/FUL stalled. Pendle Council has recently designated the site as a Local Nature Reserve (LNR); for its special natural interest and/ or educational value. From the higher elevations the site offers panoramic views across the valley towards Pendle Hill and Weets. (d) Tranquillity – The peace and quiet is only broken by the occasional sounds of children in nearby school playgrounds, the half hourly train service, and the distant hum of traffic on the A56. (e) Richness of wildlife – The grassland areas are mown on a regular basis limiting their habitat value.
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	This is an extensive tract of land with indistinct boundaries to the south and east forming part of a green wedge between Nelson and Colne.
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long- term?	Its status as an LNR and BHS (part) ensure that the attributes of theYESsite can endure in the long term.

LGS/LP4/DM12/037: Salterforth Park and Play Area (1.05ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been identified by Pendle Borough Council. The Parish Council will be able to consider whether they wish to endorse the proposal to designate this site as Local Green Space as part of the public consultation to consider the results of Pendle Council's site assessment.	?
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is designated as a play area (PA010) and outdoor sports (OS041) in the Pendle Open Space Audit (2019). As such the site is currently protected by ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015), requiring alternative provision if lost unless there is a demonstrated absence of demand. Designation as a LGS would help to acknowledge the value of the area as a whole and its importance to the village.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	No.	NO

•	Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.
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Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Not applicable.	The site is located close to the centre of the v	illage. YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	Not applicable.	 (a) Beauty – The site comprises of playing fie play equipment, public toilets, and a war (b) Historic significance – Outside the fenced obelisk, a memorial to the fallen in WW1 (c) Recreational value – This is the only acces within the village envelope. (d) Tranquillity – The site sits alongside the b children's playground and sports pitch, so not a key feature of the site. (e) Richness of wildlife – The grassland areas regular basis limiting their habitat value. 	memorial. area is a small and WW2. ssible greenspace usy B6383. It is a o tranquillity is
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	Not applicable.	The site is relatively compact with strong bou by a combination of stone walling, wooden fe embankment and mature trees.	
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	Not applicable.	The site is designated as open space, and this change in the immediate future.	is unlikely to YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/038: Salterforth Railway Embankment (1.65ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been identified by Salterforth Parish Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1) and isolated from the settlement. Under the title Salterforth Railway Sections, Embankments and Cuttings it is designated as a Local Geodiversity Site by Lancashire County Council. As such it is currently protected by Policy 1 of the Replacement Local Plan 2001-2016 (2006) and Policy ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015). These designations offer sufficient protection from development at this location.	NO
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	No.	NO

•	Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Maps of the site and its relationship to wider settlements have been submitted.	The site is located in the open countryside some distance from any built-up areas.	NO
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	Last used as a railway in 1969. The linear space forms an important connecting corridor for wildlife. Neighbouring fields have limited ecological value. The former line features Scrub Willow, Sycamores, Wind borne Ash trees, and an undergrowth of Brame, and Rose Bay Willow Herb, with patches of Wild Garlic and Bluebells, indicative of an Ancient Woodland. Observed species of butterfly include Small Copper, Speckled Wood, Large White, Green Veined White, Peacock, Comma, Red Admiral, Small Tortoiseshell, Brimstone, Meadow Browm, Ringlet and Wall Brown. Observed bird species included: Spotted Flycatcher, Redstart, Willow Warbler, Chiffchaff, Garden Warbler, Blackcap, Common Whitethroat, Lesser Whitethroat, Chaffinch, Jay, Starling, Great Spotted Woodpecker, Woodcock, Buzzard, Fieldfare and Redwing.	 (a) Beauty – The is a former railway embankment. (b) Historic significance – The site marks the point where the single-track branch line from Earby to Barnoldswick crossed the Leeds and Liverpool Canal on an ornate metal bridge. (c) Recreational value – The site is not publicly accessible. (d) Tranquillity – The site sits alongside a marina on the Leeds and Liverpool Canal, but experiences little noise. (e) Richness of wildlife – The area has been reclaimed by nature and offers some habitat value. 	NO
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	Linear former railway site.	The site is relatively compact with strong boundaries formed by a combination of stone walling, wooden fencing, the canal embankment, and mature trees. It does however occupy an isolated position within the open countryside.	NO
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	The site does not require any special maintenance with little change at the site since 1969. The site has been left as a haven for wildlife. Some members of the community care for the area by undertaking litter picking as required. The site owners have previously repointed the Bridge End at the Canal Towpath when it was required. It is hoped that landowners would again react in a positive way, if necessary.	The site is designated as a Local Geodiversity Site and there are no proposals to remove this status in the immediate future.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/039: Roughs Barn, Salterforth (2.00ha)



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Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site has been identified by Salterforth Parish Council.	YES

Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1) and adjacent to the settlement boundary for Salterforth. It is not subject to any other policy designation. The site could be developed if not protected. The designation of the site as open space or Local Green Space would offer additional protection should it meet the necessary criteria.	
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	Planning application 13/15/0169P was refused and dismissed at appeal.	NO
• Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	A map of the site showing its location relative to the wider settlement.	Although in the open countryside the site is located close to the centre of the village.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	The land is the only natural field in the village. Most of the land around is seeded and ploughed and cut at least three times a year for silo. Other land is grazed quite intensely by sheep. Wildlife is abundant. Three species of Bats, Barn Owls, Sparrowhawks, Kestrels, Tree Sparrows. Swifts, Swallows and House Martins feed on the insects above the field. Hedgehogs, Hare, Weasels and many species of Rodants and insects including Moths, Butterflies, Grasshoppers and Dragonflies are also seen on this land.	 (a) Beauty – The site comprises of a field that is primarily used for the grazing of sheep. It does not open up any significant views. (b) Historic significance – The field makes a positive contribution to the character and appearance of the village reflecting that it is still strongly influenced by its origins as a farming settlement. This facet, typical of smaller Yorkshire villages, has sadly been lost in many places. (c) Recreational value – There is no public access to the site. The land immediately to the rear of James Street has been fenced off and turned into garden land. The Council's records indicate that no planning applications for change of use from agricultural to garden land have been submitted at this location. (d) Tranquillity – The field has an extensive frontage onto the busy B6363. (e) Richness of wildlife – The field is mown on a regular basis limiting its habitat value. There are no substantial areas of hedgerow or mature trees on the site. 	NO
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	No information provided.	The field is close to the centre of the village and primarily used for the grazing of sheep. The site boundary is clear, if not particularly strong in some areas, primarily being formed by stone walls to the rear of residential properties in the village and broken tree lines and hedgerows elsewhere.	YES

Can the attributes of the site endure in the	The site has been submitted on the basis that it isn't	The site has been used for grazing for many years but has been	NO
long-term?	maintained. This makes it a haven for an abundance of	nominated by the landowner as a potential housing site. The land is not	
	wildlife, forage, grasses and flora.	proposed for allocation in the Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition (2023) as	
		there is no residual housing need in the village. However, the site is	
		considered to be suitable for future housing development, should the	
		need arise.	

LGS/LP4/DM12/040: Land off Dean Street, Trawden (1.48ha)





Stage 1: Desk Top Assessment

Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site was designated as a Site of Settlement Character in the Replacement Pendle Local Plan 2001-2016 (2006). Trawden Forest Parish Council will be able to consider whether they wish to endorse the proposal to designate this site as Local Green Space.	
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is within the Trawden Forest Conservation Area and the settlement boundary. As a Site of Settlement Character the site is currently protected under Policy 12 of the Replacement Pendle Local Plan 2001-2016 (2006). This policy designation will not be carried forward in the Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition (2021-2040). It is not appropriate to designate the land as open space. The alternatives are to place the land in the open countryside and/or designate it as Local Green Space.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	No.	NO
• Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Not applicable.	The site is located close to the centre of the village. YE
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	Not applicable.	 (a) Beauty – The site comprises of an open field separating linear housing development along historic routes, which branch off the main road into the village at right angles. (b) Historic significance – The field makes a positive contribution to the character and appearance of the village reflecting that it is still strongly influenced by its origins as a farming settlement. The presence of grazing land close to the heart of the village was typical of the area, but many examples have been lost to development. In Trawden this site and that at Back Lane (LGS/PLP4/DM12/041) immediately to the south were designated as Sites of Settlement Character in 2006 to acknowledge their significance in maintaining the open character of the village.

		 (c) Recreational value – Footpath FP1307023 crosses the site. This ancient route across the fields linked different parts of the village and headed north to the medieval Market Town of Colne a mile or so to the north. It is still well-used. (d) Tranquillity – The field has housing on two sides but is relatively quiet. (e) Richness of wildlife – The field is an area of rough pasture. 	
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	Not applicable.	The field is close to the centre of the village. The site boundary is clear, if not particularly strong in some areas, primarily being formed of stone walls and wire fencing.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	Not applicable.	The site has had policy protection since the adoption of the Replacement Pendle Local Plan 2001-2016 in May 2006. A new policy designation is to be identified in the current Local Plan review.	NO

LGS/LP4/DM12/041: Land off Back Lane, Trawden (1.37ha)





Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site was designated as a Site of Settlement Character in the Replacement Pendle Local Plan 2001-2016 (2006). Trawden Forest Parish Council will be able to consider whether they wish to endorse the proposal to designate this site as Local Green Space.	?
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is within the Trawden Forest Conservation Area and the settlement boundary. As a Site of Settlement Character the site is currently protected under Policy 12 of the Replacement Pendle Local Plan 2001-2016 (2006). This policy designation will not be carried forward in the Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition (2021-2040). It is not appropriate to designate the land as open space. The alternatives are to place the land in the open countryside and/or designate it as Local Green Space.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	No.	NO

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Not applicable.	The site is located close to the centre of the village.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	Not applicable.	 (f) Beauty – The site comprises of several enclosed pastures surrounded by development on all sides. (g) Historic significance – The field makes a positive contribution to the character and appearance of the village reflecting that it is still strongly influenced by its origins as a farming settlement. The presence of grazing land close to the heart of the village was typical of the area, but many examples have been lost to development. In Trawden this site and that at Dean Street (LGS/PLP4/DM12/040) immediately to the north were designated as Sites of Settlement Character in 2006 to acknowledge their significance in maintaining the open character of the village. (h) Recreational value – Footpath FP1307023 passes to the west of the site. This ancient route across the fields linked different parts of the village and headed north to the medieval Market Town of Colne a mile or so to the north. It is still well-used, as is FP1307019 to the south, which provides a short cut between the linear development on Colne Road and the village centre. (i) Tranquillity – The field is surrounded by housing and the local primary school. It is relatively quiet outside school hours. (j) Richness of wildlife – The fields are used for the grazing of sheep with a small area of woodland just beyond the eastern boundary adjacent to Beardshaw Beck. 	YES
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	Not applicable.	The field is close to the centre of the village with strong boundaries on all sides.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	Not applicable.	The site has had policy protection since the adoption of the Replacement Pendle Local Plan 2001-2016 in May 2006. A new policy designation is to be identified in the current Local Plan review.	NO

LGS/LP4/DM12/042: Land at the Bus Turning Circle, Lanehouse Lane, Trawden



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Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site nomination was submitted by Trawden Forest Parish Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is designated as amenity greenspace (AG010) in the Pendle Open Space Audit (2019). As such it is currently protected by ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015), requiring alternative provision if lost unless there is a demonstrated absence of demand. The site is also within the Trawden Forest Conservation Area. The current designations are considered proportionate given its characteristics and significance.	NO
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	No	NO

• Is the permission likely to be implemented? Not applicable.

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Map supplied showing the site in relation to the built surroundings.	The site is located within the settlement boundary.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	A local green space used by residents to sit in peace and for children to play. It has been a 'green' for many years, originally made safe by Pendle Borough Council for residents to enjoy. There are memorial benches that have been places there by local residents to remember their loved ones. There are two significantly large trees on this site.	 (a) Beauty – The site provides a well maintained green and sheltered environment with associated amenity value. The site has local value given its location within the settlement boundary. (b) Historic significance – The site is located near to the terminus of the Tramway and is located at the terminus of the current bus service. The site is not historically significant. (c) Recreational value – The site provides quiet amenity greenspace within the village. It has localised value. (d) Tranquillity – Dense foliage and views across the valley to the east provide for a sense of tranquillity. (e) Richness of wildlife – Existing mature trees found at the site maintain a role for birds. This role is however limited. 	NO
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	No information supplied.	The site is relatively small and has clearly defined boundaries.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	Yes.	The site is owned and maintained by the Parish Council. Its current condition and land use can be safeguarded in the long term.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/043a: Former Tram Tracks, Cotton Tree (0.48ha)



Criteria			
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	Pendle Council has nominated the northern section of the former tram track in Cotton Tree, due to its close association with the southern section LGS/LP4/DM12/043b, which was nominated by Trawden Forest Parish Council. Trawden Forest Parish Council will be able to consider whether they wish to endorse the proposal to designate this site as Local Green Space.	?	
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is designated as green corridor (GC001) in the Pendle Open Space Audit (2019). As such it is protected by Policy ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015). The site is also within the Trawden Forest Conservation Area. The current designations are considered proportionate given its characteristics and significance.	YES	
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO	
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO	
	Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	No	NO
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•	Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Not applicable.	The corridor connects Cotton Tree with the Heifer Lane area of Colne.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	Not applicable.	 (a) Beauty – The site starts out as a cobbled street where the former tram track is clearly evident. These do not form part of the open space designation. The cobbled street gives way to a cinder path which climbs the hill towards Colne at a much gentler gradient than the nearby road. (b) Historic significance – The corridor follows the route of the former tram track between Trawden and Colne. Evidence of the former tram track is still extant in the stone setts alongside Standroyd Mill and remain an important link with late nineteenth century. (c) Recreational value – The line of the former tram track is not a formal Public Right of Way (PROW) but is a well-used link between Colne and Cotton Tree, particularly for families looking to access Ball Grove Country Park or those joining the Ferndean Way for a walk to Wycoller Country Park or beyond. (d) Tranquillity – For much of its length the footpath is flanked by allotments to the west and residential gardens to the east. (e) Richness of wildlife – The trees and hedgerows that line the footpath act as a valuable green corridor within the densely built-up urban area 	NO
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	Not applicable.	The footpath / green corridor is not an extensive tract of land and has well defined boundaries.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	Not applicable.	The site is designated as open space, and this is unlikely to change in the immediate future.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/043b: Former Tram Tracks, Trawden (0.48ha)

Site Plan

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Stage 1: Desk Top Assessment

		
Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site nomination was submitted by Trawden Forest Parish Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is part of the public highway. It has no planning policy designation but is within the settlement boundary for Trawden and the Trawden Forest Conservation Area.	NO
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	No.	NO
• Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Map provided show relationship of the site to the wider settlement.	The remnants of the former tram track extend south from the centre of the village towards Hollin Hall.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	An important separation of the allotments and the historic tram track that runs from the Trawden Arms at Church Street to the bus terminus at Lanehouse Lane.	 (a) Beauty – The stone setts, in which the former tram tracks can be seen, can be followed for almost 0.4km. (b) Historic significance – Evidence of the former tram track is still extant from the Trawden Arms to the terminus at the former Zion Chapel. The former line of the track is defined by a thoroughfare of stone setts and remains an important link with late nineteenth century. (c) Recreational value – This is a well-used link between the village centre and Hollin Hall helping pedestrians to avoid traffic on the congested main road. (d) Tranquillity – For much of its length the former tram track is flanked by housing with some open views east into the open countryside at the southern end of the route. Whilst relatively quiet for much of the day it cannot be described as tranquil. 	NO

		(e) Richness of wildlife – The line of the former tram track does not make a significant contribution to biodiversity.	
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	No information provided.	The former tram track is not an extensive tract of land and has well defined boundaries.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	The Parish Council took ownership of the verges in 2017 and has maintained the verges ever since. A bench has recently been installed so that walkers can sit and admire the views across the valley.	The former tram track forms part of the public highway.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/044: The Old Post Office, Cotton Tree (0.06ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site nomination was submitted by Trawden Forest Parish Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is designated as amenity greenspace (AG015) in the Pendle Open Space Audit (2019). As such it is currently protected by ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015), requiring alternative provision if lost unless there is a demonstrated absence of demand. It is also within the Trawden Forest Conservation Area. The current designations are considered proportionate given its characteristics and significance.	NO
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	No.	NO

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Map showing the site in relation to built surroundings.	The site is on the edge of the settlement, but close to the centre of Cotton Tree.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	This area is where the planted Cotton Tree area, of our Parish's Christmas Tree is placed. It is lit throughout the festive season. There is also a bench on this area that is used by residents and visitors, as well as two planters that are maintained by Trawden in Bloom	 (a) Beauty – This is a large area of highway verge that is maintained on a regular basis. (b) Historic significance – A post box on the site contains the rare 'GR' inscription (a reference to King George V) dating it to the period 1910 to 1936. The post box is a feature relating to the former post office rather than the site itself. (c) Recreational value – The site contains a commemorative garden for the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee (2022). It is used by the local community to display art works during special events. The site itself holds limited amenity value due to its small scale and road side location. (d) Tranquillity – The site adjoins the main road into the village and cannot be described as tranquil. (e) Richness of wildlife – The grass is mown regularly limiting its contribution to biodiversity. It is however adjacent to Colne Water which is a wildlife corridor which can be enjoyed from the site. 	NO
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?		The site is relatively small and has clearly defined boundaries.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	The site is owned by the Parish Council and maintained by Trawden in Bloom.	The site is designated as open space, and this is unlikely to change in the immediate future.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/045: Land at Duke Street, Winewall (0.05ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site nomination was submitted by Trawden Forest Parish Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1) and designated as Green Belt (RPLP Policy 3). It is also within the Trawden Forest Conservation Area. As such it already benefits from the level of protection provided by the Local Green Space designation.	NO
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	No.	NO
• Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Map showing site relative to the wider settlement.	The site is located outside the settlement boundary but within the built-up area. It is accessible to the wider local community.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	Rough land that can be brought into a useful green space for the community.	 (a) Beauty – The site comprises of mature trees and cut grass. The site offers pleasant and sheltered green space for adjacent terraces. It is of limited local value. (b) Historic significance – The site makes a minor but positive contribution to the wider conservation area. (c) Recreational value – Amenity greenspace, potentially used for play by local residents. (d) Tranquillity – The site provides a relatively limited area of green space which is void of parked cars. It is of limited tranquillity due to the site's proximity to the road and its relation to surrounding terraces. (e) Richness of wildlife – Mature trees found within the site are likely to be of value to birds. 	NO
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	No information submitted.	The site forms a distinct parcel of open space which is contained by its surroundings.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	No information submitted.	The site is maintained and kept free from development, it is designated Green Belt and forms part of the conservation area.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/046: Land east of Cobden Place, Winewall (0.05ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site nomination was submitted by Trawden Forest Parish Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1) and designated as Green Belt (RPLP Policy 3). It is also within the Trawden Forest Conservation Area. As such it already benefits from the level of protection provided by the Local Green Space designation.	NO
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	To date there have been no development proposals at this location.	NO
• Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.	N/A

Stage 2: Site	e Appraisal
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Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Map showing site relative to the wider settlement.	The site is within the built area and accessible to the wider community.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	This rough land can be used for the benefit of the community as a local green space.	 (a) Beauty – The site is overgrown and fronted by fencing. It detracts from the appearance of the wider area in its current condition. (b) Historic significance – The site is within a conservation area but does not positively contribute to this designation in its current condition. (c) Recreational value – No evidence of recreational value. (d) Tranquillity – None. The site is overgrown undeveloped land next to the highway. (e) Richness of wildlife – Possible value for insects and small mammals in overgrown condition. 	NO
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	No information provided.	The site occupies a small area of land adjacent to the highway. The only distinction between the site and the field to its rear is that it is not in active agricultural use and is overgrown.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	No information provided.	Ownership is unknown.	?

LGS/LP4/DM12/047: Land at Well Head Winewall (0.05ha)





Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site nomination was submitted by Trawden Forest Parish Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1) and designated as Green Belt (RPLP Policy 3). As such it already benefits from the level of protection provided by the Local Green Space designation. It is also within the Trawden Forest Conservation Area. Designation of the site as Local Green Space would help demonstrate its historic significance and importance to the community.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	To date there have been no development proposals at this location.	NO

•	Is the permission likely to be implemented?	Not applicable.
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Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	No information provided	The site is outside the settlement boundary but is relatively central within Winewall and is accessible to the surrounding community.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	No information provided	 (a) Beauty – The site is well maintained and provides a tranquil green space within the village. (b) Historic significance – The site is the location of Trawden's historic drinking water supply. This infrastructure is still visible at the site and there is a plaque at the site dedicated to this. (c) Recreational value – Amenity green space for the community. (d) Tranquillity – Quiet green space which feels semisecluded from adjacent built up area owing to the change in levels and strong containment from the highway. The sound of running water positively contributes to this feeling of tranquillity. (e) Richness of wildlife – The site plays a relatively minor role for wildlife. 	YES
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	No information provided	A distinct parcel of green space between existing dwellings accessible from the highway. The site is easily identified and is small in scale.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	The Parish Council maintains the land and is in the process of claiming the site and registering it under the Parish Council's name.	Ownership of the site is unknown, but the site is well maintained. The site is designated Green Belt and forms part of a conservation area. It is likely that the current character and appearance of the site can endure in the longer term.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/048: Land at the Community Centre, Trawden (0.15ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site nomination was submitted by Trawden Forest Parish Council.	YES

Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is within the Trawden Forest Conservation Area and the settlement boundary. It has no formal policy designation. The designation of the site as Local Green Space would help to demonstrate the importance of this greenspace, which surrounds both the community centre and library, has for the local community.	
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	No.	NO
 Is the permission likely to be implemented? 	Not applicable.	N/A

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Plan showing the location of the site within the heart of the village.	The site is located at the heart of the village.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	This area is used by local residents for children to play and to hold community events, such as to participate in the Trawden Garden Festival. There are also picnic benches and floral displays created by Trawden in bloom, to enhance the beauty of the area. Many people use the green areas to sit and enjoy picnics and to meet with friends. It is an important green space, in the heart of the village.	 (a) Beauty – Elements of natural and man-made beauty within the site. The environment along the brook to the rear of the site provides a high-quality pleasant landscape to enjoy. Floral displays within the site, aid the quality of the wider space and help to make the site have a positive contribution to the surrounding area. (b) Historic significance – The site is within a conservation area but is not known to have any wider historical significance. (c) Recreational value – The site has strong amenity value and is regularly used for parish events, exhibitions, clubs and displays. (d) Tranquillity – The site has a strong sense of tranquillity at in locations close to the brook at its rear. (e) Richness of wildlife – The site forms part of the wildlife corridor which runs along the brook to the rear of the site. 	YES
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	No information provided.	The site occupies undeveloped space surrounding the community centre and library. It is a well-defined space and relatively small in scale.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	Yes.	The site is owned and maintained by the Parish Council.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/049: Land at Harambee Surgery, Trawden (0.10ha)







Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site nomination was submitted by Trawden Forest Parish Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is designated as amenity greenspace (AG011) in the Pendle Open Space Audit (2019). As such it is currently protected by ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015), requiring alternative provision if lost unless there is a demonstrated absence of demand. It is also within the Trawden Forest Conservation Area. The current designations are considered proportionate given its characteristics and significance.	NO
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	No	NO

 Is the permission likely to be implemented? 	Not applicable.	N/A

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Map illustrating the location of the site within the village.	The site is located centrally within Trawden.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	This area is used as a recreational area and has a number of benches where residents can sit and reflect. The area is well maintained and an important green space, within an area where, generally, there are terraced dwellings who have limited private, outdoor space. There are many trees and hedges throughout the site, providing habitat for wildlife within this site.	 (a) Beauty – The site is comprised of amenity greenspace adjacent to Skipton Road. It holds limited value beyond the green outlook it provides adjacent terraces. (b) Historic significance – The site is within a conservation area and is likely to make a limited but positive contribution to its character. (c) Recreational value – The site sits of sloping land adjacent to but separate from the nearby highway and terraced streets. The site holds amenity value but this is limited by its size, proximity to adjacent uses and landform. (d) Tranquillity – The site provides a resting space for residents, with limited tranquillity owing to the site's proximity to the highway. (e) Richness of wildlife – Trees and hedgerow within the site have a moderate role for local wildlife however the site's connectivity with wider habitat is limited. 	NO
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	No information provided.	The site is contained on all sides by adjacent land uses and infrastructure providing an easily definable pocket of green space within the village.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	Yes.	The site is owned by Harambee Surgery. The is well maintained. There is no reason to believe why the site cannot be maintained as present into the longer term.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/050: East View Allotments, Trawden (0.32ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site nomination was submitted by Trawden Forest Parish Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is designated as allotments (AL007) in the Pendle Open Space Audit (2019). in the Pendle Open Space Audit (2019). As such it is currently protected by ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015), requiring alternative provision if lost unless there is a demonstrated absence of demand. It is also within the Trawden Forest Conservation Area. The current designations are considered proportionate given its characteristics and significance.	NO
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	No.	NO

Is the permission likely to be implemented? Not applicable.	N/A
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Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Map showing the site within the central part of the village.	The site sits centrally within Trawden.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	This area is used by the local community for allotments and gardens. It is fully subscribed, and all of the land is rented to local residents. This is the only area of allotments in Trawden and is important for the health and wellbeing of local residents who are often out in these spaces. Access is limited to this plot of land, due to the roads being unadopted by the County Council and being made. There are many trees and hedges within this site which provide vital habitat for birds and wildlife.	 (a) Beauty – Limited. The site is characterised by a series of allotments and garden plots in varied condition. Within the village, it is visible only from the dwellings which face onto it. It is visible from open countryside to the east of the village and may make a positive contribution to Trawden's setting. (b) Historic significance – The site is located within the Trawden Forest Conservation Area. The site does not maintain a significant role in contributing to the character of the area. Its contribution is not however negative. (c) Recreational value – Provides health and wellbeing benefits to tenants enabling opportunities to grow food. The site also provides a green outlook to adjacent terraced properties. (d) Tranquillity – Some tranquillity by the break in development provided by the site. (e) Richness of wildlife – Trees found within the site are likely to provide a habitat for birds. 	NO
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	No information provided.	The site is readily definable given the notable change in land use the site provides. The site is enclosed within the settlement boundary with terraces to the west and the former tram track to the east.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	Leased allotment land.	The site is comprised of leased allotment land with all sites occupied. The character and land use of the site is likely to be maintained into the long term.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/051: Trawden Bowling Club, Hollin Hall (0.10ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site nomination was submitted by Trawden Forest Parish Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is designated as outdoor sports (OS005) in the Pendle Open Space Audit (2019). in the Pendle Open Space Audit (2019). As such it is currently protected by ENV1 of the Pendle Core Strategy (2015), requiring alternative provision if lost unless there is a demonstrated absence of demand. It is also within the Trawden Forest Conservation Area. The current designations are considered proportionate given its characteristics and significance.	NO
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	No	NO

 Is the permission likely to be 	Not applicable.	N/A	
implemented?			

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	No information provided	The site is situated in an edge of settlement location. YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	No information provided	 (a) Beauty – The site is a crown green bowling club. Although well maintained it cannot be considered to be particularly beautiful. (b) Historic significance – The site is situated within the Trawden Forest Conservation Area but does not make a positive contribution to this designation. (c) Recreational value – The site offers recreational opportunity to its members. The wider recreational value of the site is however limited. (d) Tranquillity – The site is situated within a tranquil area however the site does not make an important contribution to this tranquillity. (e) Richness of wildlife – Given the site's built up and functional character it is unlikely the site makes an important role for this factor in its current form.
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	No information provided	The site relates to the site of the Trawden Bowling club only and is easily distinguished from its surroundings. It does not constitute an extensive tract of land.
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	No information provided	The site is owned by Pendle Borough Council and the site is designated as public open spaceYES

LGS/LP4/DM12/052: Land at Rye Croft, Hollin Hall (0.01ha)





Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site nomination was submitted by Trawden Forest Parish Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is within the Trawden Forest Conservation Area and the settlement boundary. It has no formal policy designation. The designation. The designation of the site as open space or Local Green Space would help offer additional protection should it meet the necessary criteria.	NO
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	No.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040. Land adjacent to this site, but outside the settlement boundary has previously been promoted for housing development.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	No.	NO

• Is the permission likely to be	Not applicable.	N/A
implemented?		

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Map showing the site adjacent to the settlement edge.	The site is situated at the settlement edge.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	This area is maintained and used by local residents to play and to hold community events, such as to participate in Trawden Garden Festival. There is play equipment on this land for the local children to use as it is quite a distance from the main playground at Lanehouse Lane.	 (a) Beauty – The site is a highway verge. Whilst well maintained, the site cannot be considered to be beautiful. (b) Historic significance – The site is located within the Trawden Forest Conservation Area however does not contribution towards this designation. (c) Recreational value – Limited amenity greenspace valued by residents of Rye Croft. Child play facilities appear privately owned and for private use only. (d) Tranquillity – None. Road side edge site. (e) Richness of wildlife – Adjacent mature hedge is likely to be valuable for wildlife. The site itself is comprised of cut grass and so has no wildlife value. 	NO
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	No information provided.	The site is comprised of highway verge and as such is not extensive in scale.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	Maintained by residents.	Ownership is unknown. The site is maintained by residents. It is uncertain whether the condition of the site can be maintained in the longer term.	?

LGS/LP4/DM12/053: Wycoller Lake and Picnic Site, Wycoller (0.81ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site nomination was submitted by Trawden Forest Parish Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1) and isolated from the nearest settlement. It is part of the Wycoller Country Park and is within the Trawden Forest Conservation Area. The designation of the site as Local Green Space would offer additional protection and help to demonstrate its value to the local community.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	The spatial strategy in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040 does not direct any growth towards Wycoller.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	No.	NO

• Is the permission likely to be	Not applicable.	N/A
implemented?		

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Map showing location of the site.	The site is in the hamlet of Wycoller. Wycoller is a small community located in a rural setting and a popular destination for residents in Pendle as well as visitors to the area.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	The site was within the pleasure gardens of Wycoller Old Hall (Grade 2* listed), and contains archaeological remains of other structures, including a probable hothouse (Pendle Heritage Archaeology Group excavation 2007-2009). This area is used extensively by visitors to and inhabitants of Wycoller on a daily basis for walking, picnicking, recreation and appreciation of the local wildlife. It is home to a variety of aquatic life, birds and small native mammals. An annual Easter egg-rolling event has been held on the slope for many years in conjunction with the local Duck Race along Wycoller Beck. It is a very well-used and appreciated area of green space, frequented both by local inhabitants and by visitors, who may have come just to Wycoller, or who may be using it as a stop on one of the many walks that go through the hamlet.	 (a) Beauty – The site features a grassed picnic area, lake and mature trees. It provides a pleasant environment for recreational opportunities. (b) Historic significance – The site features a number of archaeological remains which help to reveal the heritage of the area. (c) Recreational value – The site features a grassed picnic area, lake and mature trees. It provides a pleasant environment for recreational opportunities and helps to relieve visitor pressure on the nearby South Pennines SSSI, by way of use and facilities (picnic area, bins, toilets, large grass space). (d) Tranquillity – The site provides a tranquil environment ideal for rest, play and socialising, set within a wider rural setting. (e) Richness of wildlife – The duck pond and mature trees provide a haven for wildlife and benefits from connectivity to the adjacent water course and adjacent field boundaries which is close to the South Pennines SSSI. 	YES
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	No information provided.	The site is distinctive within the landscape and is local in character. It does not form an extensive tract of land.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	No information provided.	The site is owned and managed by the County Council. The character and qualities of the site can and will be maintained in the long term.	YES

LGS/LP4/DM12/054: Land at Wycoller Hall, Wycoller (0.10ha)

Site Plan

Images



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site nomination was submitted by Trawden Forest Parish Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1) and isolated from the nearest settlement. It is part of the Wycoller Country Park, contains a Scheduled Ancient Monument and is within the Trawden Forest Conservation Area. The designation of the site as Local Green Space would offer additional protection and help to demonstrate its value to the local community.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	The spatial strategy in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040 does not direct any growth towards Wycoller.	NO
 Is the site allocated for development in a DPD? 	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
 Is there an extant planning permission on the site? 	No.	NO

• Is the permission likely to be	Not applicable.	N/A
implemented?		

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Map showing location of the site.	The site is in the hamlet of Wycoller. Wycoller is a small community located in a rural setting and a popular destination for the residents of Pendle and visitors to the area.
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	The space connects the historic sites of Wycoller Old Hall and the Aisled Barn, allowing good views and appreciation of both. It is used as a picnic site by visitors. It has frequently been used as an outdoor exhibition, demonstration and workshop space for visitors to Wycoller. It has often been used as a site for village games and races for local inhabitants, particularly children. It is a very well-used and appreciated area of green space, frequented both by local inhabitants and by visitors, who may have come just to Wycoller, or who may be using it as a stop on one of the many walks that go through the hamlet.	 (a) Beauty – The site forms the setting of the grassed ruined manor house, helping to reveal the significance of the asset. (b) Historic significance – The site forms the setting of the grassed ruined manor house, helping to reveal the significance of the asset. The manor house is a scheduled ancient monument and is associated with the Brontë Sisters. (c) Recreational value – The site forms the centrepiece of the wider Country Park which attracts residents and visitors to the area. It is used for exploring and learning, picnics and for resting. It has strong recreational value. (d) Tranquillity – The site sits in a calm environment close to a flowing stream. Traffic levels are low and limited only to those associated with farming or maintaining the ruins and visitor centre. (e) Richness of wildlife – Limited as the site features only cut grass. There is a richness of wildlife in the wider area to the nominated site.
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	No information provided.	The site is contained by the manor ruins and the Aisled Barn. It is well defined and small in scale.
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	Yes.	The site is owned and managed by the County Council. It is located in the open countryside and a scheduled ancient monument.

LGS/LP4/DM12/055: Land at the Old Dairy, Wycoller (0.01ha)



Criteria	Comments	
Is the designation endorsed by the Parish or Town Council?	The site nomination was submitted by Trawden Forest Parish Council.	YES
Will designation as LGS provide additional local benefits?	The site is in the open countryside (RPLP Policy 1) and isolated from the nearest settlement. It part of the Wycoller Country Park and within the Trawden Forest Conservation Area. The designation of the site as open space or Local Green Space would help offer additional protection should it meet the necessary criteria.	YES
Will designation as LGS prevent planned development?	The spatial strategy in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040 does not direct any growth towards Wycoller.	NO
• Is the site allocated for development in a DPD?	The site has not been allocated for housing development in the emerging Pendle Local Plan Fourth Edition 2021-2040.	NO
• Is there an extant planning permission on the site?	No.	NO

• Is the permission likely to be	Not applicable.	N/A
implemented?		

Criteria	Supporting evidence	Pendle Council assessment	
Is the site reasonably close to the community?	Map showing location of the site.	The site is located in the hamlet of Wycoller. Wycoller is a small community located in a rural setting and a popular destination for residents of Pendle and visitors to the area.	YES
Is the site demonstrably special to the community?	It is an open space central to the few houses in the centre of the hamlet of Wycoller. The Wycoller Christmas tree is put on this area of grass each year. In many year people from the hamlet and surrounding farmhouses have gathered round the tree for Christmas carols. It completes the area of open ground providing the setting for and view of the historic Packhorse Bridge.	 (a) Beauty – The site makes a minor contribution to the visual attractiveness of the area. The site was overgrown during the site visit suggesting it is periodically cut. (b) Historic significance – The site sits near to the ruins of Wycoller Hall and the Packhorse Bridge making a minor contribution to the setting of these assets in its undeveloped form. (c) Recreational value – Limited amenity value is attached to the site noting the site's small scale and location to the rear of an existing parking area for residents. (d) Tranquillity – The tranquillity of the area is granted by its architectural and archaeological interest, biodiversity, flowing river, high quality landscape and limited vehicle movements. The site does not make an active contribution. (e) Richness of wildlife – The site features a number of trees and is adjacent to the watercourse. It is therefore likely to maintain a limited but positive role for wildlife. 	NO
Is the site local in character, and not an extensive tract of land?	No information provided.	The site occupies a grassed area contained by an existing dwelling, a watercourse and village parking area. It is small in scale.	YES
Can the attributes of the site endure in the long-term?	Yes.	The site is county owned and is within the open countryside. There is a strong prospect that the site's condition and character can be maintained in the longer term.	YES

Existing LGS sites

Part 4: Existing LGS Sites

Background

A number of Local Green Spaces have already been designated by Parish and Town Council's through the adoption of their neighbourhood plans.

These sites are listed below by settlement. As they have already been formally designated as Local Green Space, they <u>do not</u> form part of the public consultation.

Settlement	Site and Area	Statement of Significance
Barrowford	LGS/BNDP/07/001 Barrowford Memorial Park 4.30 ha	Barrowford Memorial Park in its present form was created in two distinct phases. The first was the purchase at auction on 27 July 1921 by two local benefactors Mr. S. Holden and Mr. Dixon of Lot 12 Lower Park Hill, which was gifted to the people of Barrowford in perpetuity as a memorial park. The mill lodge, mill race and the old mill were purchased several years later by Barrowford Urban District Council, with the aid of public subscription, when the land went up for sale. Much of the work was carried out during the depression by unemployed local people. The Park is Barrowford's Memorial to the two world wars. It contains a sunken garden and small Memorial at which the Armistice Wreath Laying Ceremonies are performed.
Barrowford	LGS/BNDP/07/002 Bullholme Playing Fields 6.08 ha	Bullholme Playing Fields were part of the original gift for the Memorial Park, along with the allotments and the cemetery. The playing fields were originally allotments and hen-pens. They were low lying and prone to flooding. The whole area was used as a local landfill and when tipping was finished were converted for use as playing fields. The football pitches replaced those sited high up Pasture Lane. Bullholme is the home of both Barrowford Cricket Club and Barrowford Celtic Football Academy. A cycleway skirts the playing fields linking with the adjacent Memorial Park and other cycle routes.
Barrowford	LGS/BNDP/07/003 Victoria Park 2.64 ha	Victoria Park straddles Pendle Water, the boundary between Barrowford and Nelson. It was Nelson's first municipal park. It is an extension of the earlier playing fields and was created to mark Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee. The parkland lying within Barrowford contains an ornamental lake. A path passes through a late Victorian Grotto and under Carr Road, connecting the lake with a scenic wooded area. This widens out into a large open space which contains a Grade II Listed Bandstand. The park also acts as a flood plain when Pendle Water is in flood preventing extensive flooding of residential properties. Significant flood events have occurred in 1967, 2000 and 2015.
Barrowford	LGS/BNDP/07/004a Lowerclough Street Allotments 0.21 ha	The allotments are situated in the Newbridge area of Barrowford, which is characterised by Victorian and Edwardian housing. Many of the terraced properties did not benefit from private gardens. The allotments provided land at an affordable rent for cultivation or the keeping of livestock. Today these allotments are valued by local residents for cultivation and recreation.

Settlement	Site and Area	Statement of Significance
Barrowford	LGS/BNDP/07/004b Lower Parkhill Allotments 0.91 ha	The allotments are situated in central Barrowford, which is characterised by Victorian and Edwardian housing. Many of the terraced properties did not benefit from private gardens. The allotments provided land at an affordable rent for cultivation or the keeping of livestock. Today these allotments are valued by local residents for cultivation and recreation.
Barrowford	LGS/BNDP/07/004c Church Street Allotments 0.14 ha	The allotments are situated in central Barrowford, which is characterised by Victorian and Edwardian housing. Many of the terraced properties did not benefit from private gardens. The allotments provided land at an affordable rent for cultivation or the keeping of livestock. Today these allotments are valued by local residents for cultivation and recreation.
Barrowford	LGS/BNDP/07/004d Pasture Lane Allotments 2.80 ha	The allotments are situated in central Barrowford, which is characterised by Victorian and Edwardian housing. Many of the terraced properties did not benefit from private gardens. The allotments provided land at an affordable rent for cultivation or the keeping of livestock. Today these allotments are valued by local residents for cultivation and recreation.
Barrowford	LGS/BNDP07/005 Land between Broadway and Gisburn Road 0.19 ha	This strip of land was acquired by Barrowford Urban District Council (UDC) when it bought farmland that was formerly part of the Oaklands Farm. Most of the land was developed for council housing during the late 1940s and early 1950s. Barrowford UDC left this green strip along Gisburn Road, possibly as an acknowledgement of the former green field break between Newbridge and Barrowford. This area is currently planted with shrubbery and grass and is the last vestige of the rural boundary between Newbridge and Barrowford.
Barrowford	LGS/BNDP/07/006 Field to rear of Holmefield House 0.48 ha	The field is part of the curtilage of a former mill owner's house. It is known locally as "back of Sam Holden's canteen" after the last owner. It is currently used as a community centre and Council offices. The field abuts the natural boundary between Newbridge and Barrowford. It is situated amongst predominantly late Victorian terraces and acts as a "village green." For several generations it has been used by local children.
Barrowford	LGS/BNDP/07/007 Triangle land at Dickie Nook 0.16 ha	This is an open area of land, which once included a toll house and a barn/workshop which was demolished after being hit by a Charabanc in the 1920s. The area has remained open except for the creation of the bus turnaround and includes a raised garden with lawns and trees. The area stretches between Gisburn Road and Barnoldswick Road, providing a green backdrop which enhances the amenity and setting of the Higherford Conservation Area. This land abuts the Conservation Area but is not included within it.
Barrowford	LGS/BNDP/07/008 Water Meetings and Utherstone Wood 0.22 ha	This is part of the original Higherford Promenade where, in late Victorian and Edwardian times, young people promenaded after Sunday Service. The route to the Water Meetings passes the Grimshaw Oak, one of the oldest trees in the area. The Water Meetings has been a destination for families over generations and once had a tea room providing light refreshments. In recent years, the main path has become part of the Pendle Way. The open area of floodplain at the confluence of two streams is particularly popular with both visitors and local residents before the valley narrows and climbs steeply into the area known as Utherstone Woods.

Settlement	Site and Area	Statement of Significance
Barrowford	LGS/BNDP/07/009 Pasture Lane Wildlife Area 0.23 ha	This is an area of sloping banking running down to a small stream, nestled behind residential houses. It contains a footpath that meanders down through the site across a little brook at the bottom and links up to the public footpath running from the top of Halstead Lane. The area contains several mature trees with glades providing natural ground cover for both small mammals and birds.
Barrowford	LGS/BNDP/07/010 Land at North Park Avenue, Carr Hall 1.33 ha	This narrow strip of land runs from the end of Park Avenue along the riverside and under the A6068 Barrowford Road. It marks the start of Footpath 29, which follows Pendle Water from Victoria Park to Pendle Street. It links with Footpath 31 at Newbridge, which leads to Sandy Lane. It is essential route linking Barrowford with the strategic housing site at Trough Laithe; the Vantage Court Business Park; the Carr Hall area of Nelson and the Lomeshaye Industrial Estate. It also provides a wildlife corridor connecting Victoria Park and the wider area.
Colne	LGS/CNDP/07/001 Alkincoats Nature Reserve 8.00 ha	Alkincoats Woodland started-out as an arboretum for Pendle Council in the 1980s. Today it is a broadleaved plantation, with a mature stand of beech trees on its northern boundary with alongside Red Lane. Small ponds, wetlands and wildflower-rich meadows provide a variety of habitats for insects, mammals, and birds. Three public footpaths (FP1304148, FP130450 and FP13044151) and two bridleways, (BW1304152 and BW1304229) traverse the site, providing access points from the adjacent Alkincoats Park (west), Harrison Drive (south), Stag House Lane (north east) and Red Lane (north west). The Lancashire Cycleway runs down Stag House Lane, but cycling is only permitted on the bridleways within the reserve. There are approximately 150 plant species on the site including hornbeam, aspen, gorse, wyche elm, sneezewort, heather, pignut, mouse-ear hawkweed, marsh ragwort, devil's-bit scabious, wood and heath speedwell. Bird species include sparrow hawk, jay, heron, redpoll, siskin, treecreeper, brambling, chiffchaff, willow warbler, goldcrest, nuthatch, tawny owl, blackcap, and great spotted woodpecker. The bullfinch, which is of national conservation concern, is also present. A number of bird feeding tables make it possible to see some of these species close-up. Among the insects to be found are cinnabar moths, orange tips and locally rare species the purple hairstreak butterfly, which can be seen from mid-July to mid-August in the canopies of mature oak trees. An information board in the north-east corner of the site, close to Red Lane, provides details of the hills visible in the view north towards the Yorkshire Dales. The woodland is identified in the Open Space Audit and designated as a Local Nature Reserve (LNR). In December 2016, Pendle Council resolved to extend the LNR into two adjoining fields to the east, which were let on a grazing tenancy. Both areas are located wholly within the Green Belt.

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Colne	LGS/CNDP/07/002 Alkincoats Park 14.68 ha	Alkincoats Park comprises open parkland with recreational space. It is Colne's only formal park and is owned and managed by Colne Town Council. An active Friends Group works alongside the Town Council to help maintain the high standard of the park and organise events and activities. Facilities include two dog free playgrounds, one for infants (3-5 years) and one for juniors (5-14 years). Both cater for disabled users. Sports facilities include bowling greens, four tennis courts, and a multi-use games area. All can be used free of charge. The Philip Wright Crown Green Bowling Academy runs training sessions and competitions throughout the year. They maintain the greens in competition condition and are also responsible for the flower beds surrounding them. A new picnic area with seating has been installed with help from the Friends Group to take advantage of the tranquil atmosphere in the park. The open-air bandstand was constructed in 1922 and consists of a round flat area, the centre of which is walled off to create an area for bands to play in. The popular Pavilion Café opened in 2017. Car parking spaces at the Alkincoats Road entrance to the park, include a number of disabled spaces. Cycle racks are also available. Events are hosted regularly, including the weekly Parkrun.
Colne	LGS/CNDP/07/003 Foulridge Upper Reservoir Walking Area 11.00 ha	The parish boundary separating Colne and Foulridge runs through the middle of Foulridge Upper Reservoir . The reservoir is designated as a Biological Heritage Site (BHS). The reservoir feeds the summit level of the Leeds and Liverpool Canal. Only part of the reservoir lies within the neighbourhood area, but the footpaths bordering and overlooking the lake are an integral and highly valued part of the local footpath network and include part of the promoted East Colne Way (FP1304133, FP1304223 and FP1304138). The area is well used by dog walkers and ramblers alike
Colne	LGS/CNDP/07/005 Lidgett Triangle 4.89 ha	On passing the tollhouse at the eastern end of (Colne) there is a marked change from the relatively modern urban form to a much quieter and initially more enclosed area at the start of Skipton Old Road. This is the Lidgett and Bents Conservation Area. A row of weaver's cottages with a strong local vernacular extends ahead. Almost immediately afterwards the character opens out with views into the Lidgett Triangle. Although surrounded by low density housing; this area of uncultivated rough pasture has a wild feel to it, clearly rooting the surrounding houses in a rural setting, The dry-stone walls are, in parts, tumbledown and the atmosphere at the northern tip of the site is quiet and tranquil. From here the land slopes to the south, steeply in parts, affording long-range views of Boulsworth Hill, Winewall and Trawden. The area is crossed by the East Colne Way (FP1304124 and FP1304125), a promoted walk along 5 miles of footpaths in the area, linking into the nearby Winewall Circular and the Ferndean Way. Information boards, erected by a local charity, provide interesting and helpful information about the plants, birds, and animals to look out for along the way. The Pendle Green Belt Assessment (DLP, 2017) notes that the land, although not part of the Green Belt, is considered to perform a Green Belt function.

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Colne	LGS/CNDP/07/006 Ball Grove Nature Reserve 12.79 ha	Ball Grove Nature Reserve to the east of the site was designated as a Local Nature Reserve (LNR) in April 2004. It is located on the floodplain of Colne Water. The lodge, which was originally constructed for a leather tannery further downstream, in what is now Ball Grove Park, is also designated as a Site of local Natural Importance (LNI). Today the lodge has partially silted up and is dominated by bullrush, yellow flag, reed canary-grass, and amphibious bistort. There are 150 plant species in the reserve, including knapweed, bird's-foot-trefoil, meadowsweet, wild angelica, marshmarigold, lesser and greater spearwort, yellow water lily and harebell. There are over 51 bird species. Grey herons are frequent visitors to the still waters within the nature reserve, but other species include bullfinch, goldfinch, redpoll, great spotted woodpecker, nuthatch, sand martin, swallow, swift, tawny owl, reed warbler and kingfisher. Deer can often be observed in the wooded areas, but there are also newts, snails, leeches, brown hare, dragonflies, and damselflies. Many people walk, run or cycle through the area on a daily basis from early in the morning into the evening. There are multiple points of access for pedestrians, including Spring Grove, Ball Grove Drive and Keighley Road. A number of public rights of way cross the site (FP1304209, FP1304210, FP1304211 and FP1304212). There are wide hard surfaced paths and narrow winding paths. The varied terrain and variety of routes encourage people to use the area in many different ways. Many routes are pram and push chair friendly, and a great deal is accessible to wheelchair users. Large areas of flat grassland in the valley bottom are particularly valued by young families. With no vehicles or pollution to worry about, parents and grandparents can relax and enjoy the outdoors with their children. These areas also provide opportunities to exercise, with local primary schools using them for athletics training. Adult runners often through Ball Grove on route to Colne, Laneshaw Br
Colne	LGS/CNDP/07/007 Colne Cemetery 6.43 ha	Access to the site, which was opened in 1860, is through an impressive archway which perfectly frames the surrounding hills and countryside beyond. Close to the entrance there are two stone chapels on either side of a grand Gothic styled spire. From here the site slopes down towards Colne Water and the many pathways weave past some magnificent examples of Victorian Gothic memorial stones and statues. The cemetery is well known as the final resting place of Wallace Hartley, band master on the ill-fated maiden voyage of the RMS Titanic in 1912.

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Colne	LGS/CNDP/07/009 Heifer Lane Roundabout 0.31 ha	The three grassed areas that make up this site were formerly part of a park. Following highways alterations in the 1980s they now form an important green entry point into the town from the east. The footpath connecting Byron Road to Keighley Road is heavily used, particularly by school children from nearby Park High School. The mature trees attract wildlife, and the benches provide an excellent vantage point for locals to watch the world go by.
Colne	LGS/CNDP/07/010 St Stephens Walking Area 0.88 ha	A large, flat expanse of grassland with trees situated between A6068 Byron Road and At Stephen's Way. It abuts a retirement home for the elderly, and vulnerable. It is effectively a continuation from the site described LGS/CNDP/07/009 sitting alongside part of the arterial road network. Although the A6068 is heavily used by passing traffic the area provides a vital source of fresh air in an otherwise heavily polluted part of town, with Windsor Street immediately to the west the subject of the borough's only Air Quality Management Area (AQMA). Local dog walkers, many with mobility problems, rely heavily on this area of green space adjacent to their properties. The mature trees on the site attract wildlife, whilst the benches provide an excellent vantage point to simply watch the world go by.
Colne	LGS/CNDP/07/011 Byron Road Community Centre 0.99 ha	The area holds special significance for local residents as it has been used by countless generations of children as a play area and open space for picnics. The land is currently owned by Lancashire County Council, who allow Park Primary School and the Colne Youth Action Group to use the area for physical education lessons, football matches and sports days. It also provides respite to the residents of Skipton Road, Byron Road, Gordon Street, Varley Street and Elm Street who have limited access to green space in their immediate vicinity. The westernmost part of the site is run as a successful Forest School by Park Primary School. The Colne Youth Action Group planted 15 hawthorn, whitebeam and cherry trees on the soil bank that runs alongside the busy A6068, and 3,000 spring bulbs and 420 native whips around the rest of the perimeter. These will provide a year-round, colourful hedge, helping to soften the impact of the low security metal fencing that surround the site.
Colne	LGS/CNDP/07/012 Hagg Green Space 1.34 ha	Local legend has it that this piece of land acquired its name from an aged lady who ran a "baby farm" in a cottage on the site, serving working women who were unable to look after their young children on their own. Today this grassy bank is maintained by Pendle Council. In 1990, it was planted with trees supplied by the British Trust for Conservation Volunteers, and these continue to be cared for by local residents. The area is a haven for a wide variety of woodland birds with pheasant, woodpeckers and corvids often seen or heard. the occasional deer can also be spotted. The site represents an important buffer zone, screening residential properties from the industrial units on Green Road. The terraced houses that surround the site, like many in Waterside, have no gardens, so this green oasis is highly valued for its recreational use. It is a pleasant space where children to play safely, or families can sit and enjoy the fresh air, enjoy a quiet picnic or barbeque or host a party. New homes on Peerart Court and Paddock Top Mews mean that many more people draw benefit from site. The bungalows on Peerart Court are predominantly owned by retired people who benefit from easy access to this valuable green space. A clearly defined restricted byway (RB1304234) connects Atkinson Street to Short Street and the river

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		crossing at Spring Gardens Road. This route is of considerable age and can be identified on the first maps of Colne. Public right of way (FP1304192) also crosses the southern part of the site.
Colne	LGS/CNDP/07/013 Waterside Millennium Green 2.14 ha	In the 1970's the Colne South Valley and Waterside was the proposed route for an eastward extension of the M65 motorway. Many of the empty mills and housing along Shaw Street were demolished, but the motorway never came. The remains of the Great Holme Mill, demolished in 1973, are still clearly visible. In 1998, a group of residents got together with Pendle Council to create Waterside Millennium Green. The original Trustees, David Rose and Maureen Arnold, together with a team of volunteers transformed the derelict site into a community space. According to the Deed of Trust the site is to be used in perpetuity as an outdoor space for recreation and community activities. For a number of years it hosted the Green Rock community music event. Today the Millennium Green is home to a rich diversity of wildlife. It comprises four distinct habitats - woodland, grassland, planted beds and riverside areas - arranged on three levels. Linking these areas are a series of stepped footpaths. Pathways throughout the site are edged with cobble sets. At the various entrances to the Green are pathway mosaics designed by local community groups. The Green is well used. The backdrop for the central stage is an old mill wall, which in 2017 was covered with a digitally printed mural explaining the history of the site. Art projects have left a legacy of structures and sculptures across the site the most notable a sculpture installed next to the small children' playground at the Bridge Street entrance. In 2015, a Woodland Management Plan provided a detailed inventory of the wide range of vegetation on the site. Trees, which were mainly planted in the last years of the 20th Century, include laurel, alder, hawthorn, hazel, oak, sycamore, maple, and birch. In 2018 more trees were planted along the riverside to help screen the area from the factories on the opposite riverbank. Children from West Street Community Primary School and Primet Primary School also planted a variety of woodland bulbs and flowers. The area is managed by a small group

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Colne	LGS/CNDP/07/015 Whitewalls Green Space 0.69 ha	A grassed area facing onto the Whitewalls Drive roundabout, which marks the western entrance into the town along Burnley Road (A56). Many of the houses on this road are terraced properties with small front gardens and backyards making this green space a valuable community asset. The grassed areas are maintained by Pendle Council. Local volunteers regularly litter pick in the area, whilst Colne in Bloom has adopted the front part of the site to create a wildflower area. Over the last six years this has been planted with a variety of different shrubs and bulbs to create an attractive herbaceous border, overlooked by three benches. In addition to creating a pleasant place for local residents to relax, the site now provides a colourful welcome to Colne for traffic approaching from the west. A wide track to the rear winds through a wooded area. It offers a shortcut from Burnley Road to the Local Nature Reserve on Greenfield Road. A variety of trees have been planted on both sides of this pathway. There is a thick ground covering of nettles and brambles on either side of the pathway, with small tracks leading down to Colne Water, but no access points exist as the land falls away sharply towards the river. Industrial units line the opposite bank. It provides a place to escape. Nesting birds and small mammals like mice and hedgehogs enjoy the thick hedging that shields the site from Whitewalls Drive. The dense woodland vegetation and fallen trees provide a great habitat for fungi, as well as a range of insects and beetles. Bees and butterflies are attracted to the flowering shrubs in the herbaceous border and the nettle lined footpath.
Colne	LGS/CNDP/07/016 Greenfield Nature Reserve 3.20 ha	In October 2006, the site was designated as a Local Nature Reserve and is subject to statutory protection. The site has woodland and scrub, grassland and wetland habitats. It supports a wide range of flora and fauna with over 180 different plants identified on the site including: burnet rose, wild angelica, marsh-marigold, meadow crane's bill, ground-ivy, purple loosestrife, butterbur, zigzag clover, and tufted vetch. Over 60 types of birds have been observed including: bullfinch, dippers, goldfinch, herons, kingfishers, tawny owls, sand martins, pied, grey and yellow wagtails, willow warblers, spotted flycatchers, blackcap, tree sparrows, song thrush and reed bunting. In recent years, an increasing number of fish have been seen in Colne Water, as well as flowering rush, mare's tail, and water-soldier in the mill pond. There are paths throughout the site and along the river. A mill race and pond are surviving features from its industrial past when the area supplied water to a former Corn Mill and later a large cotton mill downstream to the west. The site is managed and maintained by the Friends of Greenfield Local Nature Reserve in partnership with Pendle Council. In 2018, the Friends carried out a Management Review and identified work to be undertaken with the help of volunteers from the Pendle Green Network. Local groups have undertaken pond dipping workshops, bat walks, bird surveys and minibeast hunts organised by local volunteers. Funding for the site is gained from grant applications and community funding streams. The LNR is close to the urban fringe and is accessible for many Colne residents. A public right of way (FP1304173) passes along the northern boundary of the site. it is an important part of the key wildlife corridor which follows Colne Water.

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Colne	LGS/CNDP/07/017 Wood Street Green 0.13 ha	The site is a grassed area surrounded by a perimeter fence. A mixture of birch, small-leaved lime and hazel trees screen the area from the adjacent road and industrial units. The land is owned by Pendle Council who are responsible for grass cutting and tree management. Local residents have also taken an active role in caring for the space over many years. In 2015, the residents of Wood Street presented a petition to Lancashire County Council asking for the land to be given Village Green Status and are currently waiting for this approval to come through. The site has historical interest for the part it played in the growth of the Primitive Methodist Movement which began in Waterside in the 1820's. In 1879, the first turf was cut in Lenches Road for a new chapel building although it was not until 1910 that the new Providence Independent Methodist Church opened on the site. The Church had a large and lively congregation, football, and cricket teams, three choirs, a Drum and Fife Band, and regular concerts and productions which drew the people of Waterside to the site. However, by 1972 many of the mills and much of the housing in Waterside had been pulled down. The church building needed extensive repairs and a move to a different location seemed inevitable. The site was acquired by the former Colne Corporation in exchange for a building in Albert Road, Colne (now The Gables). The church building was demolished, and the site grassed over (Source: Dalby, Allan (1951) The History of Providence Independent Methodist Church, Waterside, Colne 1851-1951). In 1987, the residents of Wood Street planted saplings around the perimeter of the site, which they continue to care for today. Most of these trees are now well over 3.5 m in height and attract a wide range of nesting birds. Bats are also often seen in the area. As with many of the houses in Waterside, those located close to this site have very little outdoor space. Wood Street Green is vital for the wellbeing of the local community giving people a place to meet togethe
Colne	LGS/CNDP/07/018 Casserley Road / Varley Street / Thorn Grove 0.07 ha	This area provides green space for residents in the Horsfield Ward. It is used mainly by dog walkers and children playing football. This site lies in close to neighbouring properties and acts a breathable space in a densely populated part of Colne. The site is currently owned and maintained by Pendle Borough Council.
Colne	LGS/CNDP/07/019 Snell Grove 0.99 ha	This green space consists of a flat area of grass with several trees. It provides green space for residents in the Horsfield Ward. It used mainly by dog walkers and young children. The trees are clustered together attracting wildlife to the site, which provides a generally healthy outlook for the residents of this densely populated part of Colne.

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Colne	LGS/CNDP/07/020a Red Lane (West) 0.27 ha	The site is bounded to the west and north by trees and bushes and to the east by the dwelling "Cloud Edge." The southern boundary is a stone wall separating the site from Red Lane. This has a pedestrian gate and a larger gate to allow for grounds maintenance vehicles. The site slopes steeply downhill to the north toward the shores of Foulridge Lower reservoir (Lake Burwain). It is mainly used by people walking along the many public footpaths in the area. Families, particularly those with small children use the site as an informal picnic and play area during the summer months. There is a bench sited on the site affording stunning views north over the reservoir towards the Yorkshire Dales. A litter bin allows visitors to deposit their waste.
Colne	LGS/CNDP/07/020b Red Lane (East) 0.25 ha	The site lies immediately east of the dwelling "Maycroft." It is separated from thenext dwelling "Lakeside" by an area of unkempt land. The northern and eastern boundaries consist of trees and shrubs. The southern boundary is a stone wall separating the site from Red Lane. This has a pedestrian gate and a larger gate to allow for grounds maintenance vehicles. The site slopes steeply downhill to the north toward the shores of Foulridge Lower reservoir (Lake Burwain). The site has no facilities but provides stunning views north over Foulridge Lower Reservoir (Lake Burwain) and east towards Noyna. It is mainly used by families, particularly those with small children, as an informal picnic and play area during the summer months.
Colne	LGS/CNDP/07/021 Ferndean Way	This promoted footpath (FP1304198) follows the southern bank of Colne Water upstream from Wood Street in Colne's South Valley east towards the open countryside. The river bank has been planted with bulbs and wildflower mix by local residents. This is one of the oldest parts of Colne and the footpath passes much that is of heritage value. The most notable point of interest is Waterside Bridge, a single span segmental arch over Colne Water constructed from local sandstone with parapets on either side, which splay out at either end. The road over the bridge is surfaced with stone setts and includes a pedestrian pathway of flagstones, flush with the setts. It is Grade II Listed. The present bridge dates from 1791, although there is a history of a bridge tracing back to 1323. It was a crossing point for the preindustrial traffic on the Kings Highways, to Burnley and Halifax. The nearby Admiral Lord Rodney Public House provides a meeting point for hiking and charity groups. Exiting the industrial South Valley the footpath heads towards Carry Bridge. A former industrial hamlet on the outskirts of Colne, today it is almost deserted. The bridge which gives the area its name is inscribed "Carrey Bridge". From here the route passes along Old Mill Drive, and footpath (FP1304203), which follows the course of the river until it reaches Cotton Tree Lane, after which it enters Ball Grove Country Park. From here the footpath (FP1304210) extends out into the open countryside towards Wycoller and Haworth in West Yorkshire. A route for serious hikers and casual walkers alike, the Ferndean Way also attracts photographers looking to glimpse waterfowl, herons, and kingfishers.

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Colne	LGS/CNDP/07/022 Greenfield Mill 0.09 ha	Colne has a strong industrial heritage. This small green space is situated in front of the imposing Greenfield Mill, whose chimney towers above the trees that are dotted across the site. The mature cherry trees provide a beautiful contrast with the busy main road and the traditional mill building. The site also affords view of the impressive nine arch railway viaduct which spans Colne Water and Knotts Lane. Built in the 1850s it dominates one of the principal "gateways" into Colne Town Centre.
Colne	LGS/CNDP/07/023 Land at Essex Street 0.30 ha	The site consists of a gentle grassy slope running alongside Colne Lane. A path leads to a small, tarmacadam area which is used for ball games. The top of the site opens out in front of the terraced houses on Bold Street and runs behind the houses on Essex Street. A public right of way (FP1304230) drops down through the trees into the South Valley. For many years the site has been used by the local residents for formal and informal recreational activities.
Trawden	LGS/TFNP/09/001 Recreation Ground 4.28 ha	'The Rec' has been assessed to have particular significance for the parish. It is situated high above the Trawden Brook valley and is used by residents from all three of the parish's 'villages' (Trawden, Winewall with Cotton Tree and Wycoller). Its uses are varied, including supporting the local football club (Trawden Celtic) which also runs several junior teams. It is an important amenity for dog-walkers, joggers, and residents simply out for a stroll. The annual village show, reputedly the largest village show in England, is held on the Rec each August. Loss of this resource would have a significant negative impact on the health and wellbeing of our local community and adversely impact the range of social and leisure activities available in the Parish.
Trawden	LGS/TFNP/09/002 The Poetry Garden 0.01 ha	The Poetry Garden is on a site formerly occupied by a public toilet. The garden became a place to promote and record the work of local poets. A local competition was held, and the two poems judged to be the best entries were engraved and mounted in the garden. Features that are relevant to the history of the parish were added: a water pump from a local farm and a very large pan that is reputed to have come from Hartley's Jam Factory. On special occasions adults and children have written commemorative poems, which have been added. The garden is lovingly maintained by local volunteers who are known as Trawden in Bloom.
Trawden	LGS/TFNP/09/003 The Millennium Garden 0.01 ha	The Millennium Garden is on the site of a derelict former garage, which had become an eyesore as you entered the village. The site was inherited by the Parish. The garage was removed, and a garden created to a design, which was considered the best following a local competition. The garden lies across the road from land planted with black poplars. These trees are also known as cotton trees, from which the area acquired its name. The original poplars were felled in 2016, because they were deemed to have become dangerous. To retain the historic connection, new young black poplars were planted nearby shortly afterwards. The garden is lovingly maintained by local volunteers who are known as Trawden in Bloom.

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