

Cumnor Parish Council

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MINUTES of a MEETING of the NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN LOCAL GREEN SPACES WORKING GROUP

held at the

The Garden Room, United Reformed Church

On TUESDAY 27TH FEBRUARY 2018, commencing at 7.30pm to 8:50pm

Attendees : Tim Pottle, Peter Scatchard, Hilary Prior, Donna Murphy, Judy Roberts, Richard Peel, Fiona Newton, Esme Murphy, Chris Scruby, Ken Fleming, J Fleming, Val Scatchard, Martin Law, Gordon Stokes

Apologies : Lorraine Aspells

1 Welcome & introductions

Overview of progress to date

1. TP reviewed the progress to date. TP has created a shared drive <https://1drv.ms/f/s!AqRNpKtX2XGmkSCcK88kESigDNJm> which now has 81 photos of the initial 51 (with an additional 6) green spaces brainstormed at the January meeting. 43 of the areas identified have been assessed to date.

Actions

2. TP to add grid references
3. TP to send out Area Designation Map (this can be found at www.cumnorneighbourhoodplan.co.uk also)
4. TP to send a link to a Google measurement tool calculate area size (this may be needed to prove area is not a "large tract of land")
5. Question : do you need landowners permission to designate an area as LGS? FJN will check with Hankinson Duckett Associates & Ben Davies. Any template letters to be obtained. Note can also use Land Registry for a fee.

Note: recent guidance issued by North Dorset Council "Planning Practice Guidance clarifies that a Local Green Space does not need to be in public ownership. However, the local planning authority (in the case of local plan making) or the qualifying body (in the case of neighbourhood plan making) should contact landowners at an early stage about proposals to designate any part of their land as Local Green Space.

As such, landownership should be identified at the earliest opportunity and owners informed of the proposed designation. For a small fee landownership can be determined through a land registry search if not already known. Once an owner has been identified, it is advised that a letter is then sent to the landowner informing them of the status of the proposed designation in Planning terms, the outcome of the assessment and the process by which they can comment. Landowners will then have opportunity to make representations in respect of proposals in a draft plan. "

6. JR to do Meadow Close, Kimmeridge Rd & Mayfield Rd Play Areas
7. It was agreed that the following areas should have the full assessment Pinnocks Green, The Glebe Green, Matthew Arnold – land to rear, Green Lane/Denton Close Grassy Area, Pullman's Field (High St), Tyrell's Paddock (High St), Ridge & Furrow Field (Appleton Rd). All

- play & sports areas to have full assessment ie The Closes, The Cricket Pitch, Fogwell Rd Pitch, The Glebe, Meadow Rd, Mayfield Rd, Pinnocks Way, Kimmeridge Rd, Tilbury Lane
8. New NPPF out 5th March (draft for consultation
<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/draft-revised-national-planning-policy-framework>)
 9. Action for all. By 9th March – look at remaining sites, complete initial assessments and upload photos
 10. By 23rd March all audits & photos to be completed
 11. A small group to meet after Easter (Tim Pottle to co-ordinate)

Outstanding actions from previous meeting

- FJN to check with Ben Davies whether a paved/tarmac footpath would qualify – awaiting response.
- Open Green Spaces and Blue Planning (?) are two organisations that may be able to help us FJN to get details off Tina Brock (www.oss.org.uk)
- Cumnor Conservation Group may have info on wildlife sites in the Parish FJN to contact Lorraine Aspells/Francis Watkins
- Liaison with Appleton and North Hinksey NP groups Steering Group to action
- Hill End Would they be interested/require any LGS or wish to be involved TP to speak to Dave Millen, Hill End
- Aware that we have no representatives from Farmoor FJN to speak to Steering Group – possibly Nicholas Cole?

Notes from Jan mtg of relevance to these minutes:

Identify the green spaces in the Parish. Using a large map of the Parish, we brainstormed a list of possible LGS. We used the criteria in the guidelines and omitted large tracts of land. **Note this is a brainstorm.** It does not take into account land ownership. Even though the guidance documents suggest talking to landowners after the assessments have taken place, we agreed as a group to speak with landowners sooner rather than later. Process to be discussed and agreed at next meeting.

50 LGS areas were identified This was initial brainstorm – left in minutes for reference

Farmoor	Cumnor Village
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lower Whitley Farm ? 2. Meadow Close Play Area 3. Mayfield Rd Play Area 4. Farmoor Stores green 5. Farmoor reservoir 6. Pinkhill Nature reserve\ 7. Farmoor Water meadows 8. Swinford Toll 9. Beacon Hill 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Stone Pit Common Land 2. The Closes (gifted to Parish Council for recreational use) 3. St Michael's Church cemetery 4. Appleton Rd Ridge & Furrow field 5. Cricket Pitch 6. The Glebe Play Park 7. The Glebe Green 8. The Village Pond (Common Land) 9. Land between Church & Cricket Club (old Carp Ponds) 10. The Vine Pub Garden 11. Robsart Place Green 12. Chilswell Footpaths 13. Oxford GreenBelt Way 14. Leys Rd (Common Land past Physic Well) 15. Bablock Hythe (Common Land) 16. Village Green Leys Rd 17. The Paddock opposite the War Memorial The War Memorial (High Street Common Land)

	18. Pullman' Field 19. Cumnor School Playing field
Cumnor Hill <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Plantation 2. Hid's Copse 3. Rear of Clough Williams House, Cumnor Hill 4. Area between Long Copse & Chawley Lane footpath 5. Matthew Arnold School playing fields 6. Kimmeridge Rd Play area 7. Trees behind Kimmeridge planted by Cumnor School 8. Cumnor Triangle (small & larger area) 9. Norreys Rd green 10. Village Green Chawley Lane 11. Bushey Close 12. Delamare Way Green 	Dean Court <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pinnocks Way Play Area 2. Pinnocks Way Green 3. Fogwell Rd Football Pitch 4. Green Lane/Denton Close Green area 5. Verge along Orchard Rd & triangle 6. Tilbury Lane Play Area 7. Tilbury Lane Burial Ground 8. Fogwell Rd – strip to Tilbury Lane 9. Fields between A420, Chawley Lane, Cumnor Hill (Note large tract of land) 10. Eynsham Rd – Nobles Hole Farm inc footpath)

Next meeting date
TBC

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