

Appendix C - Local Green Spaces

1. Cleredene Woods



Site Name	Cleredene Wood
Site Owner	Ian Young & Suzanne Jackson
Location	On the outskirts of Cold Ash and Ashmore Green villages, between Cold Ash Hill and Ashmore Green Road
Status/Designations	Local Wildlife Site
Size	1.55ha
Description	A local woodland that provides a good habitat, supporting biodiversity, and a tranquil setting for the Public Right of Way that passes through it.
Boundaries	Hedges and wire fencing
Distance from Village	Close to the settlement boundaries of the two main villages in the parish, Cold Ash and Ashmore Green, and adjacent to the Hamlet of Henwick
Uses	Wildlife landing space, as part of the wildlife corridors. Supports biodiversity
Quality	A significant area of high-quality trees and land that supports biodiversity and provides a transit point for the wildlife corridors
Facilities	No direct facilities, but a Public Right of Way passes through the space
Visual Attractiveness	An attractive copse which has been enhanced by additional planting of trees
Historical Significance	There is no specific historical significance associated with the site

Recreational Value	The area is not open to the public, but adds to the enjoyment of using adjacent Public Rights of Way
Tranquility	A tranquil setting that is surrounded by open farmland and farm buildings
Wildlife Value	Offers a haven for wildlife and could potentially be a transit point for wildlife corridors. Although a Local Wildlife Site, boundaries for such sites can alter, hence the local desire to designate the space a Local Green Space.
Recommend as an LGS	Proposed on the basis of its importance for local wildlife, as a transit point, and being a tranquil route for the Public Right of Way

2. Wildlife Allotment Garden



Site Name	Wildlife Allotment Garden
Site Owner	Poor's Allotment and Recreation Ground Charity (no. 300138), of which Cold Ash Parish Council is trustee
Location	The Wildlife Allotment Garden (WAG) covers some 3.03ha in the heart of the parish.
Status/Designations	The land was given to the poor of the parish in 1852. A charitable trust was established to manage the land in 1922 (the Poor's Allotment and Recreation Ground Charities), of which Cold Ash Parish Councillors are trustees.
Size	3.03ha
Description	A local woodland that provides a good habitat, supporting biodiversity, and a tranquil setting for recreational use by the public, bordered on two sides by Public Right of Ways. The site includes paths, a Quiet Garden, allotments, and fields that house sheep and goats. It has been recognised as an ideal mix of woodland and meadow

Boundaries	Hedges and Public Rights of Way
Distance from Village	Within the settlement boundary of Cold Ash village
Uses	Wildlife biodiversity, allotments, housing livestock and recreation
Quality	The quality of the site has been assessed and it is recognised as having the ideal mix of woodland, meadows, and fields for livestock. It has standing water that also supports biodiversity. It also houses 29 allotments for use by local parishioners.
Facilities	Allotments, grazing fields, Quiet Area, picnic areas and educational zone, with various benches, paths and green space. A number specific wildlife habitats have been added to enhance biodiversity
Visual Attractiveness	The site is very visually attractive with views across several counties. It is viewed by parishioners as the environmental heart of the parish.
Historical Significance	The site was given to the poor of the parish in the late nineteenth century for growing their own fruit and vegetables and grazing their livestock (it was originally known as the 'Labouring Poor Allotments').
Recreational Value	A tranquil oasis for walking, picnicking and generally socialising
Tranquility	A green oasis in the centre of Cold Ash village
Wildlife Value	Offers a haven for wildlife and could potentially be a transit point for wildlife corridors
Recommend as an LGS	Proposed on the basis of its importance for local wildlife and the local community

3. Woodland Leaves



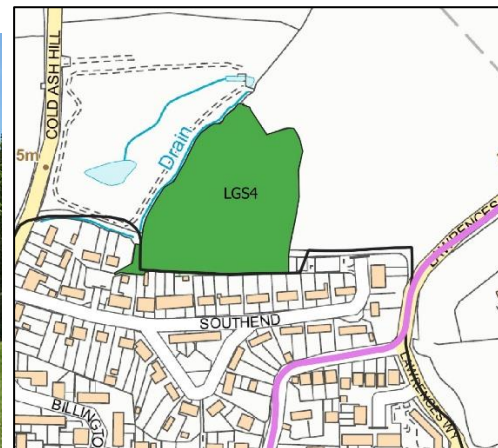
Site Name

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Site Owner	Michael and Alice Liebreich
Location	On the edge of Cold Ash village settlement boundary, forming part of the space between Cold Ash and Ashmore Green villages
Status/Designations	None, but numerous mature trees of various species with TPOs
Size	1.27 ha
Description	A local meadow with woodland boundaries that provides a good habitat, supporting biodiversity, and a tranquil setting in the heart of Cold Ash village, lying between a Public Right of Way and Cold Ash Hill
Boundaries	Hedges and wire fencing
Distance from Village	On the edge of Cold Ash village settlement boundary, forming part of the space between Cold Ash and Ashmore Green villages
Uses	Wildlife and flora biodiversity, and ground water management
Quality	Very high potential. Neglected for many years, several issues currently in need of attention (ground water flows, some trees in bad state, overgrowth of wet areas reducing biodiversity).
Facilities	No direct facilities, but a Public Right of Way passes adjacent to the space. Significant impact on views from neighbouring properties, potential for important public view from Cold Ash Hill.
Visual Attractiveness	A highly attractive site with views across several counties
Historical Significance	Part of the grounds of a property previously owned by a notable local parishioner
Recreational Value	No direct recreational value but forms an attractive setting for the Public Right of Way that borders it

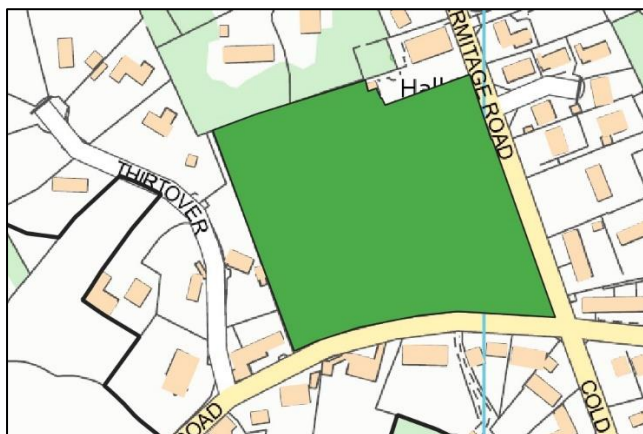
Tranquility	Top part of land subject to road noise from Cold Ash Hill, remainder of it is tranquil, particularly North-West side abutting on neighbouring woodland and open farmland.
Wildlife Value	Offers a haven for wildlife and could potentially be enhanced as a in important transit point for wildlife corridors
Recommend as an LGS	Proposed on the basis of its importance for local wildlife and being a tranquil site linking a Public Right of Way and Cold Ash Hill

4. Little Copse



Site Name	Little Copse
Site Owner	West Berkshire Council
Location	Adjacent to the built-up area of Southend
Status/Designations	None
Size	1.48 ha
Description	A local woodland that provides a good habitat, supporting biodiversity, and a tranquil setting for recreational use by the public
Boundaries	Hedges and streams
Distance from Village	Located between the settlement boundary of Cold Ash village and the area known as Southend
Uses	Wildlife biodiversity and recreation
Quality	A good quality woodland that provides both a home for local wildlife and a welcome space for parishioners to walk and exercise their dogs
Facilities	Woodland walks and green space
Visual Attractiveness	An attractive setting that is an important addition to the Southend area of the parish
Historical Significance	The site has no know historical significance
Recreational Value	A tranquil oasis for walking, exercising dogs and for children to play in
Tranquility	A green oasis adjacent to Southend
Wildlife Value	Offers a haven for wildlife and could potentially be a transit point for wildlife corridors
Recommend as an LGS	Proposed on the basis of its importance for local wildlife and the local community

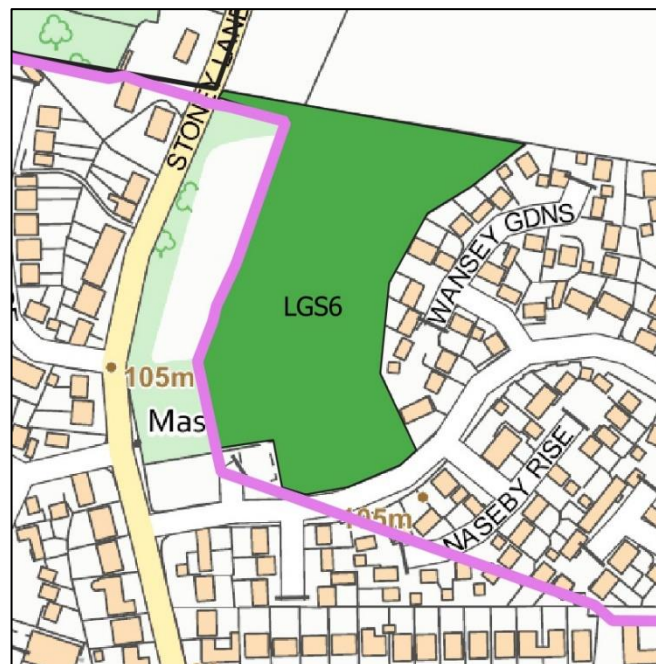
5. Hermitage Road Recreation Ground



Site Name	Hermitage Road Recreation Ground
Site Owner	Poor's Allotment and Recreation Ground Charity (no. 300138), of which Cold Ash Parish Council is trustee
Location	Within Cold Ash village settlement area
Status/Designations	The land was given to the poor of the parish in 1852. A charitable trust was established to manage the land in 1922 (the Poor's Allotment and Recreation Ground Charities), of which Cold Ash Parish Councillors are trustees.
Size	2.44 ha
Description	A recreational park with provision for cricket, football and tennis, plus a children's play park. It is the recreational heart of the villages within the parish
Boundaries	Hedges
Distance from Village	Located within the settlement boundary of Cold Ash village
Uses	Recreation
Quality	The site has high quality sporting facilities, including tennis courts, football pitches and a cricket pitch
Facilities	Cricket pitch, football pitch, tennis courts and play park with children's play apparatus
Visual Attractiveness	An attractive green space in the heart of Cold Ash village
Historical Significance	The site was given to the poor of the parish in the late nineteenth century for recreational purposes
Recreational Value	A good site for for recreation and sport

Tranquility	This is not the main aim of the site, due to the nature of the facilities and it's uses
Wildlife Value	Has a number of trees and a lot of hedgerow, which enable the transit of wildlife through the parish
Recommend as an LGS	Proposed on basis of its importance to local community for recreation and for local wildlife

6. Waller Drive Recreation Park



Site Name	Waller Drive Recreation Park
Site Owner	West Berkshire Council
Location	The site is located in the south of the neighbourhood area and within the Newbury settlement boundary. The neighbourhood boundary crosses the site; it is the area within the

	neighbourhood plan boundary that would be subject to a Local Green Space designation.
Status/Designations	The site has no statutory designations. It is managed as an open space by West Berkshire Council.
Size	1.6 ha
Description	This is an open space, laid to grass, surrounded by trees on all sides.
Boundaries	Mature trees surround the site. Residential to the west, south and east. Open fields to the north.
Distance from Village	The space is located within the settlement boundary of Newbury.
Uses	Its main use is recreational, for walking and exercising dogs. It is an important area for the more urban area of the parish
Quality	The site provides high quality green space for local residents to exercise and enjoy
Facilities	Laid to grass with benches.
Visual Attractiveness	An attractive site within the urban area of Manor Park.
Historical Significance	The site has no known historical significance
Recreational Value	Used by dog walkers and residents from the surrounding housing estate for informal games and outdoor fun.
Tranquility	This open space is surrounded by mature trees on all sides and is an oasis within an otherwise residential area, where residents can play where the surrounded housing is obscured from view.
Wildlife Value	The nature of the site makes it good for wildlife and link to the wildlife corridors
Recommend as an LGS	Proposed on the basis of recreational and tranquility value