

Dronfield Neighbourhood Plan Proposed Local Green Spaces - Supporting Evidence

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1. Context

The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)¹ introduced the concept of Local Green Space (LGS) designation. LGS designation is a way to provide special protection against development for green areas of importance to local communities.

Section 76 of the NPPF provides the following information on Local Green Space designations: *“Local communities through local and neighbourhood plans should be able to identify for special protection green areas of particular importance to them. By designating land as Local Green Space local communities will be able to rule out new development other than in very special circumstances. Identifying land as Local Green Space should therefore be consistent with the local planning of sustainable development and complement investment in sufficient homes, jobs and other essential services”*.

Adding *“Local Green Space designation will not be appropriate for most green areas or open space”*.

Additional guidance is provided in the National Planning Practice Guidance section on “open space, sports and recreation facilities, public rights of way and local green space”.

The identification and protection of local green spaces through Neighbourhood Plans is also supported through local planning policies. Special mention here should be made to para 9.97 of the draft North East Derbyshire Local Plan² headed ‘Local Green Spaces’, which states, *“Local Green Spaces’ are green spaces of particular importance to the local community. National policy makes provision for these to be identified through local and neighbourhood plans. Local communities will be able to rule out new development other than in very special circumstances by designating land as Local Green Spaces. However, National Policy makes clear that this specific designation would not be appropriate for most green spaces and specifies when it should be used. In North East Derbyshire, the Local Plan does not designate Local Green Spaces, but any forthcoming Neighbourhood Plans may do so”*.

¹ https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/6077/2116950.pdf

² <http://www.ne-derbyshire.gov.uk/index.php/your-council/document-library/local-plan-exam-library/01-submission-documents>
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2. Process for Designation

Whilst the NPPF establishes the concept of LGS designation and provides some guiding principles, it gives local communities preparing a Neighbourhood Plan some discretion to determine how to implement this at the local level.

A three-stage approach was adopted by the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group.

Step 1: Identification of potential sites.

The potential sites were derived from local knowledge including the outcomes from the community consultation events.

Step 2: Assessment against the NPPF criteria

The sites were then assessed to consider their suitability for LGS designation. To allow comparative assessment of the sites, a form was created based on the criteria in the NPPF. This enabled a consistent and transparent methodology for identifying LGSs in the Parish. Each potential site was assessed.

The Group, like most groups undertaking LGS analysis, faced challenges. In particular, the sheer number of potential local green spaces in the Parish of some significance. National planning policy enables a local plan to protect those of local significance. In addition, the absence of a statutory or commonly used definition of these terms, particularly what constitutes, 'special' or comprises an 'extensive tract of land'. A common-sense approach was taken, while at the same time having regard to good practice and the experiences of LGS designations in approved neighbourhood plans.

The Group were also mindful of the fact that several sites are already given some protection through the Green Belt and emerging designations in the existing and emerging Local Plan. National Planning Practice Guidance on Local Green Space designation suggests that where land is already protected by another designation consideration should be given as to whether any additional local benefit would be gained by designation as LGS.

Through this process several sites were identified which were considered locally significant, valued by the community and met the tests set out in the NPPF to meet the test to be designated as a LGS.

Step 3: Consultation

Satisfied that the sites met in principle, the criteria for LGS designation and should be formally proposed for designation in the Neighbourhood Plan, they were then “tested” through the Plan process. A key milestone was when the proposed sites were set out for comment at as part of the formal consultation on the draft Plan undertaken between July and September 2018. Several comments were received on the proposed local green spaces following this consultation and the list was amended accordingly.

3.0 Local Green Space Site Assessment Forms

The following section details how each of the sites meets the Local Green Space criteria set out in the National Planning Policy Framework. An indicative photograph is also provided for each of the sites. A detailed map showing the sites can be found on the Dronfield Town Council website at <http://www.dronfield.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan.html>.

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No 1. | |
| Name and address of the site | Cliffe Park, Callywhite Lane, Dronfield, S18 2XP |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Well used popular park with a multi-use games area (MUGA), tennis courts, bowling green, play area and sand pit plus a wide open grassed area |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained |
| Public Access | Yes |
| Justification | It is a focal point for the town, containing tennis courts, MUGA, children's play area etc. It is well used for formal and informal recreation as well as activities such as the annual Dronfest. Important to the identity of the town. its accessible and prominent location adds to its value. |


| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No 2. | |
| Name and address of the site | Sindelfingen Park, Pentland Road, Dronfield, Derbyshire, S18 8ZQ |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Well used park with play area, basketball pitch, woodland and large open grassed area plus a beacon which was lit to celebrate the Queen's 90 th Birthday and will be lit again for the Centenary Commemorations for World War One |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained |
| Public Access | Yes |
| Justification | This is a long-standing and attractive amenity space. It is well used and cherished by the community. It is the focal point for community activities and includes a beacon, which was lit to celebrate the Queen's 90 th Birthday and will be lit again for the Centenary Commemorations for World War One. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No 3. | |
| Name and address of the site | Hilltop Playground, Dronfield, Derbyshire, S18 1UH |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Well used park with play area, football pitch and large open grassed area |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained |
| Public Access | Yes |
| Justification | Attractive amenity space which is of visual and recreational (both formal and informal) value. It includes a football pitch as well as a play area. Also popular for walking and sitting. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No 4. | |
| Name and address of the site | Marsh Avenue Playground, Dronfield, Derbyshire, S18 2HA |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Well used small play area, football kick about area and large open grassed area. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained |
| Public Access | Yes |
| Justification | This site lies within a residential development. It is bordered by mature trees and provides an important green lung and safe play space for the community. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No 5. | |
| Name and address of the site | Cemetery Road Playground, Dronfield, Derbyshire, S18 1XY |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Well used play area and hard court area plus an open grassed area used for football. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This roughly rectangular shaped green space lies within an established residential area where there is relatively little open space. It is well used for both formal (e.g. football) and informal (e.g. dog walking) recreation. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No. 6. | |
| Name and address of the site | Moonpenny Way Playground, Dronfield, Derbyshire, S18 1SA |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Well used park with play area next to a large open playing field. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained but dated play equipment. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This is a well-equipped (albeit a bit dated) and well-used play area next to a recreation area (see 7) and is in a residential area. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No 7. | |
| Name and address of the site | Moonpenny Fields, Dronfield, Derbyshire, S18 1SA |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Well used large open playing field next to Moonpenny play area. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This roughly rectangular area of grass and trees provides a pleasant recreational and amenity area within a residential area. Its slightly elevated position adds to its value and importance. It affords attractive views to the town and the wider area. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No 8. | |
| Name and address of the site | Birches Fold Playground, Dronfield, Derbyshire, S18 3AG |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Well used park with a kick about football pitch and large open grassed area plus play equipment. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | A large green space on the edge of an established residential area. Close to Coal Aston village hall, it is the most important accessible green space in the area. It is well used for both formal and informal recreational activities. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No 9. | |
| Name and address of the site | Dronfield Woodhouse Recreation Ground, Carr Lane, Dronfield, S18 8XB |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Well used recreation area with a play area, football pitch, cricket pitch, bowling green, tennis courts and a basketball pitch, also popular with dog walkers. Social Club building also on site. Used as the location for the annual town bonfire. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | Large and well established recreational area. It is the focal point for the area, as reflected in its use as the location for the annual town bonfire. It is well used throughout the year for a variety of recreational activities such as football, tennis and cricket as well as informal pastimes such as walking and sitting. Important for the character of the area. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No 10. | |
| Name and address of the site | Lundy Road Playground, Dronfield, Derbyshire, S18 1UY |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Well used play area with small grassed area on a slope. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This is a small well-equipped play area within a large estate development where there is relatively little open space. It provides an important green lung and safe play space. |


| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No 11. | |
| Name and address of the site | Stonelow Recreation Ground, Dronfield, Derbyshire, S18 2EP |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Well used recreation ground with two football pitches and two cricket pitches and pavilion, also used by dog walkers plus a large car park with adjoining play area. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Public access around cricket out fields, but not in Dronfield Town FC football ground. |
| Justification | The recreation is an important green space and recreation resource for Coal Aston, containing football pitches, cricket fields and a pavilion. It is also well used for informal recreation and can be accessed from several points on the periphery. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No 12. | |
| Name and address of the site | Jubilee Park, Green Lane, Dronfield, Derbyshire, S18 2FH |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Well used park with a large open green space and mature trees. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This is a very attractive amenity space in a mainly residential area, which is of both recreation and amenity value. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No 13. | |
| Name and address of the site | Dronfield Nature Park, Chesterfield Road, Dronfield, Derbyshire |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Nature reserve with footpaths and information boards about the local wildlife. Used by walkers. |
| Quality of the facility | Footpaths are maintained - remaining areas are wild. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | A wooded nature park that borders the built-up part of Dronfield. It is a popular and well used green space as reflected in the number of trails and footpaths that cross it. It supports many rare and declining wildflowers and wildlife as reflected in nature park status. It provides a link between the residential areas and the surrounding countryside. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No 14. | |
| Name and address of the site | Leabrook Valley, off Gosforth Drive, Dronfield, Derbyshire |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Popular, large area with numerous footpaths used by local residents and popular with school children, with a stream, wild growth and trees |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained by a local community group set up to look after the area, as well as the Town Council. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This is a valuable amenity space, which runs alongside an attractive and scenic stream. Used extensively by local people including local school children. It adds to connectivity by providing a nice pedestrian and cycling link between residential areas and to the wider area. It is of some wildlife and wildflower value. |


| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No 15. | |
| Name and address of the site | Well dressing site, Carr Lane, Dronfield, Derbyshire |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Informal green space with flower beds, trees and seating plus it is the site for the Well Dressing in Dronfield Woodhouse, an ancient Derbyshire tradition. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | An attractive green space within a residential area. Its long-established use for Well Dressing in Dronfield Woodhouse underlines its importance to the local community and contribution to sense of place. It is a landmark that provides a visible link with the history and sense of identity of the local area and, therefore, makes a significant contribution to local distinctiveness. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No 16. | |
| Name and address of site | Dronfield Junior School Fields, Upper School Lane, Dronfield, Derbyshire |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | School playing fields, frequently used by walkers. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | No. |
| Justification | It is a pleasant and long-standing area of open space that is an important feature of the setting and character for the surrounding adjacent properties and the wider area. It is the largest single area of green space within an established residential area, where there is little green space and is relatively tightly developed. It can be accessed from many points on its periphery. It is used for informal recreation such as walking and dog walking. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No 17. | |
| Name and address of the site | Gosforth Valley Playing Fields, Bubnell Road (off Stubley Drive), Dronfield Woodhouse, Derbyshire, S18 8QY |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Sports pavilion, rugby pitches, football pitches and an all-weather pitch spread over a large area. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This large, conveniently located and important green space is well used for informal and formal recreation, containing rugby pitches, football pitches and an all-weather pitch as well as a pavilion. |


| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No 18. | |
| Name and address of the site | Radbourne Common (off Pentland Road), Dronfield, Derbyshire, S18 8ZQ |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Informal green space with mature trees and footpaths to local amenities. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This roughly rectangular area of grass is crisscrossed with footpaths and with several mature trees in front of houses. It provides for a very pleasant and relatively quiet area that is an essential feature of the setting for these houses and to the character of the wider area. It also adds to connectivity. |


| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No 19. | |
| Name and address of the site | The Green, Longacre Road, Dronfield |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Informal grassed area. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This is an area of grass that separates a group of bungalows from Longacre Road. It makes an important contribution to their setting and to the character of the wider area. |


| Local Green Identification | |
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| Reference No 20. | |
| Name and address of the site | The Green on Burns Drive, Dronfield |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Grassed area in the centre of a cul-de-sac with mature trees. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This is a roughly triangular area of open space with some mature trees. It is an essential feature of the setting and character of Burns Drive and the surrounding area. |


| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No 21. | |
| Name and address of the site | The Green and path network along Shakespeare Crescent, Dronfield |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Informal green space with mature trees and footpaths linking through to the surrounding area. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This roughly rectangular area of grass with mature trees that provides a pleasant green pedestrian link between residential areas. It is important to the character of the area which has limited public accessible green spaces. It also contributes to local connectivity. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No 22. | |
| Name and address of the site | The Green on top of Poplar Close, Dronfield |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Informal green space used as a play area, surrounded by mature trees and footpaths. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This green space is within a large residential area where there is little open space. It provides an important green lung and safe green space for the community. It provides some attractive views of the surrounding area. |

| Local Green Identification | |
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| Reference No. 23. | |
| Name and address of the site | The Green at the junction Hallowes Drive/Hazel Close |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Four informal grassed areas surrounded by road and footpath network. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This comprises four green spaces, crossed by footpaths, in front of houses at the junction of Hallowes Drive and Hazel Close. It is important for the setting of these houses and the wider area, while at the same time contributing to local connectivity. |

| Local Green Identification | |
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| Reference No. 24. | |
| Name and address of the site | School Wood, off Cowley Lane, Dronfield, Derbyshire |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Woodlands with multiple public footpaths. |
| Quality of the facility | Rural area. |
| Public Access | Yes' |
| Justification | This is an established wooded area. It is well used by the local community as evidenced by the many footpaths that cross it. At its high points, it affords attractive views of the surrounding areas. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No. 25. | |
| Name and address of the site | Hollins Spring Wood, off Barlow Lees Road, Dronfield, Derbyshire |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Woodlands with multiple public footpaths. |
| Quality of the facility | Rural area. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This is an established wooded area. It is well used by the local community as evidenced by the many footpaths that cross it. It affords attractive views of the surrounding areas. |


| Local Green Identification | |
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| Reference No. 26. | |
| Name and address of the site | Long Acre Wood, off Barlow Lees Road, Dronfield, Derbyshire |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Woodland area. |
| Quality of the facility | Rural area. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This is an attractive woodland area that forms part, and the setting, of the Parish and afford views of the wider countryside. It is important to the local character of the area and provides a sense of place. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No. 27. | |
| Name and address of the site | Frith Wood, off Stonelow Road, Dronfield, Derbyshire |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Popular woodland with a stream and footpaths, used by walkers and dog walkers. |
| Quality of the facility | Rural area. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | A wooded area on the edge of the built-up part of Dronfield. Crisscrossed with footpaths, it is well used for walking and other recreational activities. Includes a picnic area as well as car park, nature trail and interpretative boards. That it is an 'ancient woodland' and of some nature conservation value (it supports newts, for example) adds to its value. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No. 28. | |
| Name and address of the site | Woods adjacent Sindelfingen Park, Pentland Road, Dronfield, Derbyshire, S18 8ZQ |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Woodland area within Sindelfingen Park. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This is a woodland adjacent to a popular (Sindelfingen) Park that contains open spaces and can be accessed from several places on its boundary. It is visually attractive and provides a green wooded setting to the southern side of the built-up part Dronfield as a well as a buffer between two distinct residential areas. It is especially popular with local school children from the two primary schools nearby. |


| Local Green Identification | |
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| Reference No 29. | |
| Name and address of the site | Mill Lane Environmental Corridor, off Chesterfield Road, Dronfield |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Important woodland area of historical interest with the River Drone flowing through plus footpaths and information boards in the area. |
| Quality of the facility | Wild area that is well managed by a local group. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | Led by the Dronfield Civic Society, a stretch of formerly under-used land running either side of the River Drone has been transformed into a pleasant, wooded area of nature conservation significance. It is valued as a green and relatively tranquil area. The footpath is well used. It is of some historic interest as reflected in the interpretation panels that explain the significance of Mill Lane in Dronfield's industrial past. |

| Local Green Identification | |
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| Reference No. 30. | |
| Name and address of the site | Lea Brook Valley Green Corridor, Dronfield, Derbyshire |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Wild green area with trees and network of footpaths through the town centre. |
| Quality of the facility | Wild but well managed. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This is a roughly 1 kilometre broadly linear thickly wooded and pleasant green corridor that starts at the town centre (behind the Dronfield Civic Centre), runs through the built-up part of Dronfield and links to the wider countryside. It was developed in 2002 by a small group of volunteers who wanted to make a positive difference to their community. It has been transformed from an underused area filled with rubbish to a lovely green space, enjoyed by residents and wildlife alike. It acts as a green corridor, not only for people to move along, but also to wildlife alike. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No. 31. | |
| Name and address of the site | Open space behind Coal Aston Village Hall, Coal Aston Playing Fields, Eckington Road, Coal Aston, Dronfield |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Large open space with two football pitches, changing rooms, bowling green and pavilion, tennis court and large car park area which is surrounded by mature trees. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This is an attractive amenity and recreational space used for a variety of formal (including football pitches, bowling green and tennis courts etc.) and informal (sitting and walking) recreational uses. It is important to the identity of Coal Aston as well as acting as a focal point for local sporting and recreational activities. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No. 32. | |
| Name and address of the site | Small garden at bottom of Green Lane, Dronfield |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Informal green space with flower bed and seating area. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This is a small, attractive and rectangular green space in a prominent location off one of the main roads into and out of Dronfield. It is within an area of residential and commercial development, that is rather densely developed, and where there is little open space, which adds to its value. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No. 33. | |
| Name and address of the site | Green area behind Co-op and Civic Centre car park and MoonPenny |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Small wooded area with numerous bird boxes attached to the trees and footpath nearby. |
| Quality of the facility | Maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | Stretch of grass and trees at the heart of the town and on the edge of the Town Centre. It provides a pleasant and popular green pedestrian link. It is important to the setting and to the area. Its prominent and accessible location adds to its value and function. It is of some biodiversity value. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No. 34. | |
| Name and address of the site | Well Dressing Site at Coal Aston – ‘used to be ‘the pond’ filled in during the 60s opposite the Royal Oak, Eckington Road, Coal Aston |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Informal green space with flower bed, seating and maps of local area, also used as the Well Dressing site for Coal Aston, an ancient Derbyshire tradition. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | A prominent and attractive amenity green space with mature trees and seating at the junction of Eckington Road and Drury Lane. Within an established residential area, it is used as a Well Dressing Site, which underlines its importance to the local community and contribution to sense of place and identity. A local landmark. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No. 35. | |
| Name and address of the site | Railway Station Gardens, Chesterfield Road, Dronfield |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Informal green space used often used for seating at the Train Station . |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes, |
| Justification | This is a prominent small area of grass adjacent to Dronfield Railway Station. It includes a seating area and is often used by people waiting for a train. It provides an important and pleasant pedestrian link to the train station and more widely. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No. 36. | |
| Name and address of the site | The Green, Quoit Green, Dronfield |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Informal green space with mature trees used as a play area by local residents. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | Green amenity space with some mature trees. It is in a residential area with limited publicly accessible open space. It provides an important green lung and play space for the community. Important for the setting and character of the area. |


| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No. 37. | |
| Name and address of the site | Land to rear of 33-47 Gosforth Drive, 'known locally as Telly Tubby Hill'. |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Informal green space surrounded by multiple public footpaths. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This is a large amenity space in an established residential area with limited publicly accessible green spaces. Bordered by trees, hedges and footpaths, it is used for informal recreation especially by dog walkers more generally. Its value is reflected that it is used by the local Rotary Club for their annual walk. It is important to the character and sense of place of the local area. Affectionately known locally as 'Telly Tubby Hill'. Especially popular with local primary school children. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No. 38. | |
| Name and address of the site | 'The Alma site', off Sheffield Road, Dronfield |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Large area on a slope covered by mature trees with various footpaths linking to numerous residential areas in the town. |
| Quality of the facility | Wild area but footpaths, grassed area and trees maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This is a grassed open space with mature trees close to the Town Centre. Visually attractive, it makes an important contribution to the sense of place and character of the area. It provides a green pedestrian link to many residential areas in the town, which adds to its charm and value. |


| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No. 39. | |
| Name and address of the site | 'The Ridding', north east of Frithwood and Meadowland (Derbyshire Wildlife Trust) |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Large open grassed area accessible from Frithwood, with a well-worn path through and numerous mature trees. It is important to the character and setting of the local area. It is an important refuge for wildflowers and wildlife, as reflected in its management by the Derbyshire Wildlife Trust. As it is at the edge of the Town, it also 'melts' into and forms a link into the rural landscape. |
| Quality of the facility | Wild growing area. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This is a large open grassed area with some mature trees. It is well used for informal recreation as reflected in the number of footpaths that cross it. It can be accessed from several points on the periphery. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No. 40. | |
| Name and address of the site | Greenacre at end of Buckingham Close, Off Wentword Road, Dronfield Woodhouse |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Informal green space with trees in residential area with footpaths cutting through the estate. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This roughly rectangular area of grass and some trees provides a pleasant green pedestrian link between residential areas. It provides green space within an area of residential development that is rather denser than most of the village, while at the same time contributing to local connectivity. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No. 41. | |
| Name and address of the site | Greenacre at the end of Belton Close, Dronfield Woodhouse |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Informal green space in residential area with footpaths cutting through the estate. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This is a roughly triangular semi-formal area of open space fronting several houses. It makes an important contribution to their setting and to the character of the area. The footpaths that bound it adds to its value and importance. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No. 42. | |
| Name and address of the site | The woods and path along the bridle path from Hill Top to the foot bridge at the side of golf course |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Wooded area running alongside the golf course, popular with dog walkers and horse riders. |
| Quality of the facility | Wild area. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | Relative linear thickly wooded green space that roughly runs along the side of Hallowes Golf Course. It is mainly (and well) used for informal recreation walking and horse riding as reflected in the footpaths and bridleways that cross it. It is aesthetically pleasing, due to its wooded nature and countryside location. As it is at the edge of the town, it also 'melts' and provides a link into the rural landscape. In parts it has the feel of a secret hideaway. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No. 43. | |
| Name and address of the site | Corner junction of Eckington Road and Dyche Lane, Coal Aston |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Informal green space with trees, seating area and map of the area. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes. |
| Justification | This is a small, attractive and rectangular green space in a prominent location off one of the main roads into and out of Dronfield. It is within an area of residential and commercial development and where there is little open space, which adds to its value. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No. 44. | |
| Name and address of the site | Lucas Gardens, Sheffield Road, Dronfield |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Informal green space with flower bed, trees and seating plus the Lucas arch, which is all that remains of the former Lucas malleable iron foundry established in 1790 and closed in 1971. Arch inscribed with brief history of the site. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Yes |
| Justification | A prominent and attractive amenity green space with mature trees, flower beds and seating on the main road through the town, Sheffield Road. Within a commercial and residential area, the Lucas arch is all that remains of the former Lucas malleable iron foundry, which underlines its importance to the local community and contribution to sense of place and identity. A local landmark. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No. 45. | |
| Name and address of the site | Snape Hill Allotments, Snape Hill Lane, Dronfield (behind Dronfield Contact Club), S18 2GJ |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Allotment site. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Limited. |
| Justification | This is a well-used, popular allotment site within an established residential area, which provides an important facility for the town. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No. 46. | |
| Name and address of the site | Coal Aston Allotments, Coal Aston, S18 |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Allotment site. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Limited. |
| Justification | It is a large and well-used area of allotments on the edge of the village of Coal Aston. It is bordered by trees and is in an attractive setting. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No. 47. | |
| Name and address of the site | Gomersal Lane Allotments, Gomersall Land, Dronfield, S18 1 RU |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Allotment Site. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | Limited. |
| Justification | This is a large and well-used area of allotments close to the town centre. It offers pleasant views both into and away from the town. It is located in an area with relatively little green space which adds to its value. |

| Local Green Space Identification | |
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| Reference No. 48. | |
| Name and address of the site | Cecil Road Allotments, Cecil Road, Dronfield, S18 2GU |
| Photo of the site |  |
| Description and purpose | Allotment site. |
| Quality of the facility | Well maintained. |
| Public Access | No. |
| Justification | This is a well-used, secure and popular allotment site. It is within an established residential area with limited green space and is important to the area its services. |