

1 General Information

1.1 Name and address of site. **Aston Lane north.**

1.2 Site location. **23 ' Burbage Neighbourhood Plan Environment Proposals' map. SP446927.**



1.3 Who is proposing site for designation. **Burbage Parish Council.**

1.4 Site ownership, if known. Details on land ownership can be obtained from the Land Registry. To note land parcels may not be registered, however local people may know the owner. **Leicester Diocese.**

1.5 As the owner of the land been made aware of the potential designation? **The owner will be informed during the Neighbourhood Plan Submission Public Consultation period.**

1.6 Land owner support of the designation? **No representation was received from the owner during the Neighbourhood Plan Pre Submission Public Consultation period.**

1.7 Photographs of site



Entrance from Aston Lane gate.



Viewed looking east over site

1.8 This potential Local Green Space serves which community. **Single track road from Burbage village centre and public footpath runs along the southern edge of this site.**

2 Planning History

2.1 Any current planning application for this site? If planning permission granted could part of the overall site still be used as a Green Open Space? **No.**

2.2 Has this site been allocated for development in the Local Plan? Could part of the overall site still be used as a Green Open Space if allocated? **Yes.**

3 Area, scale, size and “local nature” of proposed Local Green Space (LGS)

3.1 Proposed site area. **2.5 ha.**

3.2 Can the proposed LGS site be considered an “extensive tract of land”? **Small size area surrounded by, grassland and mature hedgerows to the south.**

3.3 Can this proposed LGS been considered “local in character”, if so why? **Yes, located some 200 mtrs from Burbage centre and is highly valued by the community especially as the access point is close to the village centre.**

Evidence from Burbage Parish Council Neighbourhood Plan Consultation Questionnaire 'Our Village - Our Choice' 2015. Q7 What do you enjoy about living in Burbage. 83.55% said Easy access to the Countryside.

4 Need for local green space

4.1 Is there a need for a local green space in this location? **Public access route to the east immediately from the village centre.**

5 Evidence to indicate the proposed LGS is in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves”

5.1 How far is the site from the community it serves? Is the site less than 2km of the community it serves ? **See 3.3.**

5.2 Any obstacles or barriers to the local community accessing the site from their homes? **Viewable from Aston Lane.**

6. What evidence is there to show that the green area is “demonstrably special to a local community”

6.1 What evidence of support from Parish or Town Council. **The Burbage Parish Council have approved the submission of the Burbage Neighbourhood Plan that identifies the site as a local green space.**

6.2 Any evidence of support from other local community groups or individuals. **Parish Council Parish Council Neighbourhood Plan Consultation Questionnaire 'Our Village - Our Choice' 2015 Q9 Do you think that the Countryside around Burbage is important to its distinctive character 96.76% said yes and Q8 Do you use the Countryside 93.47% said yes.**

6.3 Any evidence of support from community leaders. **Not aware of any.**

6.4 Show any evidence of support from other groups. **Not aware of any.**

7 Is there any evidence of natural beauty for this proposed LGS holds a particular local significance; (if applicable)

7.1 Is this criteria relevant to this site? **No.**

7.2 Why does the community feels that the site has a particular local significance for its beauty. **Not known.**

7.3 Site visibility. **Mature hedgerow runs alongside Aston Lane and grassland viewable through gateway.**

7.4 Any landscape or similar designations for proposed LGS? e.g. Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty; Conservation Area; Special Landscape Area Further information –Natural England. **Area of TPO's.**

7.5 Is the site (or the type of site) specifically mentioned in any relevant landscape character assessments or similar documents? **Not aware of any.**

7.6 Does the site contribute to the setting of any special feature or historic building? **Not aware of any.**

7.7 Is the site highlighted in art or literature? **Not aware of any.**

8 Is there any historic evidence to show the proposed LGS holds a particular local significance; (if applicable)

8.1 Any criteria relevant to this site? **No.**

8.2 Are there any historic remains or buildings on the proposed LGS? **No.**

8.3 Evidence of important historic landscape features? e.g.; ancient trees; historic ponds; old hedgerows or historic garden features. Further information may be available English Heritage or local history society.

8.4 Has this proposed LGS been involved with the historic development of the village or town? **No.**

8.5 Did any important historic events take place on the site? **None.**

8.6 Any evidence of historic rituals at this site? **None.**

9 Is there any recreational value evidence to show that the proposed LGS holds particular local significance; (if applicable).

9.1 Is this criteria relevant to this site? **No.**

9.2 Is the site used for playing sport? **No.**

9.3 Can public physically access this site? Either via rights of way across or adjacent? Has this access been allowed on a formal or discretionary basis? Is there disabled access to the site? (To note a site can still be designated even if there is no public access.) **Yes – Adjacent and alongside via Aston Lane.**

9.4 Does the local community use the site for informal recreation? And since when? **No.**

10 Evidence to show that the green area “holds a particular local significance, for example because of its tranquillity” (if applicable)

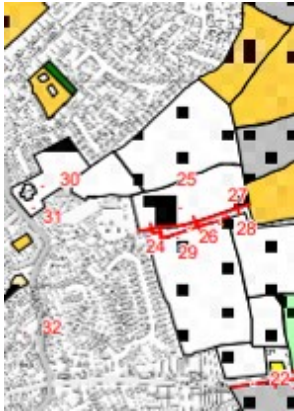
10.1 Is this criteria relevant to this site? **Yes tranquil site with 200 mtrs of village centre.**

10.2 Do you consider the site to be tranquil? **Yes.**

10.3 Is the site within a recognised tranquil area? **No.**

11 Is there any evidence of richness of wildlife to show that the proposed LGS holds a particular local significance; (if applicable)

11.1 Is this criteria relevant to this site? **Yes , LRERC Habitat survey Burbage parish 2013 many Candidate LWS features including mature trees and hedgerow.**



Target note 24 Burbage SP44569266 Mature Fraxinus excelsior standard, in hedgerow along north side of track. Girth est >4m. cLWS .
25 Burbage SP446927 Rough grassland with scattered broad -leaved trees. View limited, but three standards seen: Tilia sp., Acer pseudoplatanus .
26 Burbage SP446926 Hedgerow along north side of track. Overgrown and untopped, becoming line of trees. Old layers and bank. Species recorded: Ulmus sp., Rosa canina, Sambucus nigra , Ilex aquifolium, Crataegus monogyna , Acer campestre, Fraxinus excelsior, Malus sp. Grades into dense scrub at eastern end. Numerous rabbit burrows. cLWS .

27 Burbage SP44729270 Mature Fraxinus excelsior standard in hedgerow. Girth estimated >3m. cLWS.

28 Burbage SP44729269 Mature Fraxinus excelsior standard in hedgerow. Girth estimated >3m. cLWS.

Extended Phase 1 Habitat Survey 2014 - Potential LWS

Burbage As134 Hedgerow on north side of green lane (track) leading eastwards from Aston Lane 5 to 6m in height, 7 locally native woody species, parallel hedgerow on south side of green lane, this with one veteran ash tree with bat roost potential and also an old badger sett at the eastern end, not in current use. SP 4453 9266 to SP 4476 9272

11.2 Is the site formally designated for its wildlife value? **No.**

11.3 Are any important habitats or species found on the site? **See 11.1 bat roost potential and badger sett.**

11.4 What other wildlife of interest has been found on the site? **None.**

11.5 Is the site part of a long term study of wildlife by members of the local community? **Not aware of any.**

12 Is there any evidence to show that the proposed LGS holds a particular local significance, for any other reason; (if applicable)

12.1 Is this criteria relevant to this site? **Not aware.**

12.2 What are the other reasons why the site has a particular local significance for the local community?
Aston Lane runs from Burbage village centre offering a quick and direct link to the countryside.