


APPENDIX D – Local Green Spaces

The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group members used their local knowledge and sought public opinion to identify candidate sites. Feedback from landowners was obtained and this was used alongside the criteria to assess the suitability of each site. The three sites meeting the criteria are listed below.

- GS01 The Cross, Wool
- GS02 East Burton Village Green
- GS03 Millennium Square, Wool

Local Green Space Assessment The Cross, Wool

Site Information	
Site Reference	GS01
Site Name	The Cross, Wool
Site Address	BH20 6DA
Grid Location	SY 84679 86646
Site Boundary Plan	
Site Area	0.0117 hectare

Site Ownership	Not registered with Land Registry but thought to belong to Wool Parish Council as it maintains the site.
Site Attributes and Use	
Description of Use	Spring Street Fair
Description of public access to the site	Fully accessible
Does the site have any special features such as trees, wildlife, landscape, heritage etc?	Following the foundation of Bindon Abbey in 1172, under a charter from King John and a further charter from Edward II, it became the right for Wool to "hold a market and fair at Wool, with the right of free warren in all their demesne lands at Stockford, Wood Street, Wool, Bovington, Lulworth, Bindon, and Hethfelton". A transaction must be performed annually on this site to maintain the King's Charter.
Is the site formally designated for any special features? Eg Site of Special Scientific Interest, Local Wildlife Site, Local Nature Reserve, designated public open space, designated playing field, key walking and cycling route, designated heritage asset, local heritage asset, green belt, landscape designation, important trees and woodland etc	No
Development potential and development pressure	
Is the site the subject of planning applications for development?	No
Is the site allocated or safeguarded for development or proposed for allocation?	No
Landowner Consultation	Yes, if belonging to Wool Parish Council
Assessment of site potential against NPPF Criteria:	
a) in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes
b) demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular local significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of its wildlife	Yes. Historic significance.
c) local in character and is not an extensive tract of land	Yes
Summary of Assessment	The Cross is a green space of local historic significance.
Recommended for LGS Designation?	Yes

East Burton Village Green

Site Information	
Site Reference	GS02
Site Name	East Burton Village Green
Site Address	BH20 6HE
Grid Location	SY 83439 86951
Site Boundary Plan	
Site Area	0.0639 hectare
Site Ownership	Not registered with Land Registry but thought to belong to Wool Parish Council as it maintains the site.
Site Attributes and Use	
Description of Use	Although a small area of green, it is well maintained and looked after by locals. It is the only area where local information is displayed and therefore an important community asset. It is used for memorial trees and benches, and marks entrance to the water meadows.
Description of public access to the site	Fully accessible
Does the site have any special features such as trees, wildlife, landscape, heritage etc?	Memorial trees and wildlife
Is the site formally designated for any special features? Eg Site of Special Scientific Interest, Local Wildlife Site, Local Nature Reserve, designated public open space, designated	No

playing field, key walking and cycling route, designated heritage asset, local heritage asset, green belt, landscape designation, important trees and woodland etc	
Development potential and development pressure	
Is the site the subject of planning applications for development?	No
Is the site allocated or safeguarded for development or proposed for allocation?	No
Landowner Consultation	Yes
Assessment of site potential against NPPF Criteria:	
a) in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes
b) demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular local significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of its wildlife	Yes
c) local in character and is not an extensive tract of land	Yes
Summary of Assessment	East Burton Village Green is a green space of communication and commemorative significance which marks the entrance to the water meadows.
Recommended for LGS Designation?	Yes

Millennium Square, Wool

Site Information	
Site Reference	GS03
Site Name	Millennium Square, Wool
Site Address	BH20 6EJ
Grid Location	SY 84098 86744
Site Boundary Plan	
Site Area	0.1133 hectare
Site Ownership	Not registered with Land Registry but thought to belong to Wool Parish Council as it maintains the site.
Site Attributes and Use	
Description of Use	Memorials and tree planting
Description of public access to the site	Fully accessible
Does the site have any special features such as trees, wildlife, landscape, heritage etc?	There is an ancient chestnut tree planted to celebrate the 25 th Jubilee of King George V in 1935. The Millennium Stone also stands in Millennium Square which was unveiled on January 1 st 2000.
Is the site formally designated for any special features? Eg Site of Special Scientific Interest, Local Wildlife Site, Local Nature Reserve, designated public open space, designated playing field, key walking and cycling route,	No

designated heritage asset, local heritage asset, green belt, landscape designation, important trees and woodland etc	
Development potential and development pressure	
Is the site the subject of planning applications for development?	No
Is the site allocated or safeguarded for development or proposed for allocation?	No
Landowner Consultation	Yes, if belonging to Wool Parish Council
Assessment of site potential against NPPF Criteria:	
a) in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves	Yes
b) demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular local significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of its wildlife	Yes. Historic significance. Recreational space
c) local in character and is not an extensive tract of land	Yes
Summary of Assessment	Millennium Square is a green space of local commemorative significance.
Recommended for LGS Designation?	Yes

Areas that were requested by parishioners but not included

There were several candidate sites which did not meet the criteria. These are listed in the table below.

Area	Reason for non-recommendation
The D'Urberville Field	The field is already protected by a covenant on the land restricting its use to "the provision of playing fields and a pavilion either with or without a village hall". The land is also subject to legal agreement between Fields in Trust and Wool Parish Council that the council will retain it for use as a green space, usually a public park, playing field or recreation ground, in perpetuity.
Holy Rood and Churchyard	It is an active church and already protected by law.
Wool Village Pound	Already protected by statutory legislation as it is Grade II listed.
Water Meadows	It is an extensive tract of land so does not meet the criteria for Local Green Space protection.
Woolbridge Manor	Already protected by statutory legislation as it is Grade II listed
Bindon House Mill	Already protected by statutory legislation as it is Grade II listed
Bindon Abbey	Already protected by statutory legislation as it is Grade I listed
Cole Wood	This wood is actively managed woodland with recognition of the public footpath plus a permissive path provided by the landowner for additional public access. The landowner opposes wider access to the woodland due to its requirement to manage the site as a working woodland and to ensure protection of wildlife in key areas.
The Wool Stream and its source	It is an extensive tract of land so does not meet the criteria for Local Green Space protection.
Lulworth Road Allotments	This area is included within an agricultural tenancy. Any proposed development in this area will have to provide community benefit in line with, and as required by, any planning permission granted.
Coombe Wood	This wood is actively managed woodland, and a permissive bridleway is currently provided by the landowner. Additional future access is explicitly linked to an adjacent proposed development.
Braytown Triangle	The historic chestnut tree is already subject to a Tree Protection Order. The triangle itself may need alteration to address traffic management.
East Burton Churchyard	It is closed burial ground and already protected by law.
East Burton Bridge	It is more a place of interest than a green space so does not satisfy the criteria for Local Green Space protection.