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Dear Resident,

Local Green Space for Northwood Football and Children's play areas

I am writing to you as chair of the Colerne Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group. As part of the development of the plan, the Steering Group and local people have suggested some small areas of land that they think could benefit from being designated in the plan as '**Local Green Spaces**'.

Local Green Space designation is a way to provide special protection against development for green areas of particular importance to local communities.

The space we are proposing in your area is: the Northwood football and children's play areas. (see map on the back of this page)

The designation is very specific and so not all green spaces are appropriate to consider as Local Green Space. Where this is the case in Colerne, we are working to include these areas in the Neighbourhood Plan in other ways, such as protection via other legislation.

As you are a local resident to this site we are asking you to complete the enclosed questionnaire, or online at <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/QCW5CP5>, or by scanning the QR code at the top of the survey.

So that your views are registered as evidence in this consultation. All nearby households are being consulted. If you know of others who use the space and may like to comment, you can copy this form for them or contact the secretary(above) for more copies. They can also go straight to the online survey.

To meet the rigorous requirements of this process we need to know the views of those who value the site. According to national planning policy, sites must be "*demonstrably special to a local community, and hold a particular local significance*". This significance is about whether a site is:

- Beautiful (*as locals see it*)
- Historically significant (*can be in terms of very local history*)
- Valuable for recreation (*anything from sports to informal dog walking*)
- Tranquil (*mostly quiet*)
- Rich in, or important to, wildlife (*not necessarily living on the site, but also using it, e.g. bats*)

To our knowledge there is no current intention to develop the site. Please let us know using the enclosed form, or via the online survey whether you feel this land meets any of the above criteria.

If it proves to be highly valued, we shall contact the landowner who has a right to object to the proposal. The results will then be assessed by the independent Examiner who will eventually report on the Neighbourhood Plan. Evidence of the strength of local feeling is therefore crucial.

Many thanks for taking the time to contribute to your community's Neighbourhood Plan.

Jane Mellett
Chair of Colerne NPSG.



QR Code for online Survey



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Local Green Spaces Questionnaire

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Do you think the Northwood football and children's play areas should be designated as a Local Green Space?

Yes

No

Rate the site on a scale of 0 - 5 against the following criteria.

0 = no significance and 5 = exceptional significance.

Beauty (please circle number)

0 1 2 3 4 5

Historical significance (please circle number)

0 1 2 3 4 5

Value for recreation (please circle number)

0 1 2 3 4 5

Value for Tranquility (please circle number)

0 1 2 3 4 5

Rich in, or important to, wildlife (please circle number)

0 1 2 3 4 5

Please write the significance of the following criteria based on local knowledge.

Beauty _____

Historical Significance _____

Value for recreation _____

Rich in/important to wildlife _____

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