

Swale Borough Council Local Green Spaces

**Final Report
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1. Background and national policy context

- 1.1 As per paragraph 106 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), “The designation of land as Local Green Space through local and neighbourhood plans allows communities to identify and protect green areas of particular importance to them”. These should only be designated when a plan is prepared or updated.
- 1.2 The Council is currently undertaking a Local Plan Review and as such, has had the opportunity to identify potential new Local Green Space designations, as well re-consider existing ones. Paragraphs 106-107 of the NPPF, and the supporting Planning Practice Guidance, set out the criteria that need to be met for land to be designated. The land needs to be:
- in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves;
 - demonstrably special to a local community and hold a particular significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field) tranquillity or richness of wildlife; and
 - local in character and not an extensive tract of land.
- 1.3 Furthermore, designating land as Local Green Spaces should be consistent with the local planning of sustainable development and capable of enduring beyond the end of the plan period. In particular, local plans must identify sufficient land in suitable locations to meet identified development needs, and Local Green Space designation should not be used in a way that undermines the aim of sustainable plan making.
- 1.4 For land that is designated as a Local Green Space, paragraph 108 of the NPPF sets out that policies for managing development within it should be consistent with those for Green Belts.

2. Local policy context

- 2.1 Following consultation on the Local Plan timetable in mid-2025, the plan making process was delayed due to the Highsted Decision being delayed also. The Regulation 18 version of the plan has now been consulted on between January and February 2026 with a reduced scope of vision, objectives and Development Management policies. The Regulation 19 version of the plan will be consulted on between July and September 2026. The Reg 18 version of the Local Plan, includes Policy INF4 Local Green Spaces which sets out the Local Plans approach to Local Green Spaces. Following the Planning and transportation Working Group on 12th March 2026, the Local Green Spaces assessments went out to members and Town and Parish Councils for technical consultation.

3. Methodology

Existing sites

- 3.1 There are 112 existing Local Green Space designations. A desktop review of these has been carried out to ascertain whether they continue to meet the criteria or not, and therefore whether their designations should be retained or not.

New sites

- 3.2 A call for sites to be considered for new Local Green Space designation was carried out in August/September 2020 and 158 sites were put forward, mainly by members of the public and Parish and Town Councils. Of these, 32 sites have existing Local Green Space designation, and 3 sites were later withdrawn by the submitter. All new sites that are not existing designations, or were not withdrawn, have been assessed against the criteria set out in paragraphs 1.2 and 1.3.

4. Conclusion and next steps

- 4.1 Of the 112 existing Local Green Space designations, it has been concluded that 111 sites continue to meet all the criteria, and they are proposed to be retained as such. It has also been concluded that one site is proposed to be de-designated.
- 4.2 Of the 158 sites submitted through the call for sites, 29 have been considered to meet all the criteria (8 have already been adopted into the Faversham Neighbourhood Plan), and they are proposed for Local Green Space designation. In some cases, sites overlap each other. Where this has happened, and all have been proposed for designation, the larger area will be taken for eventual designation.
- 4.3 A further 94 sites have been considered not to meet all the criteria, and they are therefore not proposed for Local Green Space designation. Of the remainder, 32 sites are existing Local Green Space designations (dealt with at paragraph 4.1) and 3 were withdrawn.
- 4.4 Tables showing the summary of the outcomes can be found at section 5. The full site assessments for the submitted sites can be found in Appendix II using the references shown in the index. The full site assessment for the existing site proposed for de-designation can be found in Appendix III.
- 4.5 As there is no proposed change in the status of the sites to be retained, the landowners of those will not be directly consulted again (as they were during the preparation of the adopted Local Plan). The landowners of the site proposed to be de-designated, and the new sites proposed to be designated, will be consulted alongside the Council's Regulation 19 consultation. Any representations received will be submitted with the Council's submission to the Secretary of State for examination.

5. Existing Local Green Spaces adopted with Bearing Fruit Local Plan

1. There are currently 112 designated Local Green Spaces in the Borough adopted with the Bearing Fruit Local Plan. Only one out of these green spaces has been proposed for de-designation in this review.

Table 1 Local Green space proposed to be de-designated

	Location	PARISH	Continues to meet eligibility criteria
1.	Faversham/Macknade cricket ground, Canterbury Road	Faversham	No

2. The 111 remaining Local Green Spaces continue to meet the criteria for Local Green Spaces and has been proposed to be carried forward into the new local plan.

Table 2 Local Greenspaces proposed to be retained

	Location	PARISH	Continues to meet eligibility criteria
1.	The green play btw'n Tavistock Close & Johnson Rd	Sittingbourne	Yes
2.	Corner of Auckland Drive & Borden Lane	Borden	Yes
3.	Woodland at The Knole and stream walk	Faversham	Yes
4.	Abbey Rise, Minster	Sheerness	Yes
5.	The Glen	Minster	Yes
6.	Field adj Warden Village Hall, Warden	Warden/Leys	Yes
7.	Rushenden Hill, Queenborough	Queenborough	Yes
8.	Allotments	Upchurch	Yes
9.	Recreation Ground	Upchurch	Yes
10.	The Paddock, The Street/Church Farm Road	Upchurch	Yes
11.	Tonge Mill & Pond	Tonge	Yes
12.	Land at Corner of New Road/Prince Charles Av	Minster	Yes
13.	Lapwing Close play area	Minster	Yes
14.	Noreen Avenue play area	Minster	Yes
15.	Hartlip recreation ground	Hartlip	Yes

	Location	PARISH	Continues to meet eligibility criteria
16.	Hartlip Parkland	Hartlip	Yes
17.	Hartlip allotments	Hartlip	Yes
18.	Bartons Point Coastal Park	Minster	Yes
19.	Allotments and community woodland	Newington	Yes
20.	Lovell Road play area	Minster	Yes
21.	Minster cricket field	Minster	Yes
22.	Garden of Remembrance	Minster	Yes
23.	Nunnery Grove	Minster	Yes
24.	Buckthorne Road play area	Minster	Yes
25.	Thistle Hill Community Woodland	Minster	Yes
26.	Playing field, Tunstall Road	Tunstall	Yes
27.	Field rear of The Street/Hempstaed Lane	Bapchild	Yes
28.	Field on the site of Westlands Primary School	Sittingbourne	Yes
29.	Playing field between Minterne and St Peters Prima	Sheerness	Yes
30.	Greenspace around the Oaks Infant School	Sittingbourne	Yes
31.	Sports fields in Gore Cort Road	Sittingbourne	Yes
32.	Maylam Gardens	Borden	Yes
33.	Cryalls Lane	Borden	Yes
34.	Craft Marsh, Milton Creek	Sittingbourne	Yes
35.	Bayford Court Allotments	Sittingbourne	Yes
36.	Murston Primary School Grounds	Sittingbourne	Yes
37.	Playing Fields, Sittingbourne Community College	Sittingbourne	Yes
38.	Homewood Avenue	Sittingbourne	Yes
39.	Manor Grove	Sittingbourne	Yes
40.	Albany Road Recreation Ground	Sittingbourne	Yes
41.	Sittingbourne Cemetery	Sittingbourne	Yes
42.	Garden Spicer Homes, Bell Road	Sittingbourne	Yes
43.	Little Glovers (includes street trees along Bell R	Sittingbourne	Yes
44.	Trotts Hall gardens (includes street trees along B	Sittingbourne	Yes

	Location	PARISH	Continues to meet eligibility criteria
45.	Open space on the grounds of the Adult Education	Sittingbourne	Yes
46.	Riddles Road Allotments	Sittingbourne	Yes
47.	King Georges Playing Fields, Park Avenue	Sittingbourne	Yes
48.	Rectory Playing Fields	Sittingbourne	Yes
49.	Open space at Greenways	Sittingbourne	Yes
50.	Johnson Gardens	Sittingbourne	Yes
51.	Grove Park and Woodland	Sittingbourne	Yes
52.	Land at Queenborough Park, Brielle Way	Sheerness	Yes
53.	Borden Nature Reserve, Cryalls Lane	Borden	Yes
54.	Seager Road Playing Field	Sheerness	Yes
55.	Millfield Allotments	Faversham	Yes
56.	Cherry Orchard south of Toll Road	Lynsted	Yes
57.	Lynsted Meadow, The Street	Lynsted	Yes
58.	Land r/o The Meads Community Centre	Bobbing	Yes
59.	Land either side of Sheppey Way	Bobbing	Yes
60.	Oare Gunpowder Works	Faversham	Yes
61.	Town Green	Faversham	Yes
62.	Oare Church yard	Oare	Yes
63.	Oare meadow	Oare	Yes
64.	Dickson's Field	Eastchurch	Yes
65.	Shurland Meadow and cricket ground	Eastchurch	Yes
66.	Anne Boleyn play area	Eastchurch	Yes
67.	Bright's Wood, Kent View Drive	Eastchurch	Yes
68.	Range Road Field	Eastchurch	Yes
69.	Junction Bridge Road and Brent Road	Faversham	Yes
70.	Crescent Road	Faversham	Yes
71.	r/o Homestead View /Mount View	Borden	Yes
72.	Land adjacent to Plough Road	Minster	Yes
73.	Thistle Hill playing field	Minster	Yes

	Location	PARISH	Continues to meet eligibility criteria
74.	Recreation ground and allotments, School Lane	Lower Halstow	Yes
75.	Brickfields area	Lower Halstow	Yes
76.	Gibbs amenity area, east of Burntwick Drive	Lower Halstow	Yes
77.	Village Green, The Street	Lower Halstow	Yes
78.	Town Quay, Bridge Road	Faversham	Yes
79.	King George Playing Field, London Road	Faversham	Yes
80.	Davington cricket ground, Old Gate Road	Faversham	Yes
81.	Oare fishing lake, Oare Road	Faversham	Yes
82.	St Saviour recreation ground	Faversham	Yes
83.	Land at Edward Vinson Drive	Faversham	Yes
84.	Land adj Canterbury Road, Finch Close/Hinton Cres	Faversham	Yes
85.	Kingsborough Manor Community Woodland	Eastchurch	Yes
86.	Reedland Recreational Ground, Reedland Crescent	Faversham	Yes
87.	Jnc Brook Road & Springeard Road	Faversham	Yes
88.	Goldfinch Close & Fostall Rd	Faversham	Yes
89.	Flood Lane	Faversham	Yes
90.	North Preston Allotments, Broomfield Rd	Faversham	Yes
91.	Upper St Ann's Road	Faversham	Yes
92.	Playground, Lower Road	Faversham	Yes
93.	Wooded tract of land, Wildish Road	Faversham	Yes
94.	Land off Whiting Crescent	Faversham	Yes
95.	Borden Grammar School Playing Fields	Sittingbourne	Yes
96.	Land between recreation ground & Jubilee Centre	Faversham	Yes
97.	Land adj. Leysdown Primary School, Leysdown Road	Leysdown	Yes
98.	Land at Leysdown Country Park, Shellness Road	Leysdown	Yes
99.	Land at Shellness Road (including memorial to The	Leysdown	Yes
100.	The Spinney, Leysdown Road/The Promenade	Leysdown	Yes
101.	Highsted Quarries	Sittingbourne	Yes
102.	Land at Front Brents and Brent Road	Faversham	Yes

	Location	PARISH	Continues to meet eligibility criteria
103.	Land at Westbrook Stream	Faversham	Yes
104.	Behind Western Faversham Community Centre	Faversham	Yes
105.	Stonebridge Allotments	Faversham	Yes
106.	Play area and borders around Faversham Pool	Faversham	Yes
107.	Borden Grammar School Playing Fields	Sittingbourne	Yes
108.	Rowletts Way	Eastchurch	Yes
109.	Rosemary Avenue	Minster	Yes
110.	Round Hill (Minster Cliffs)	Minster	Yes
111.	Wells Way Faversham	Faversham	Yes

3. This category of Local Green Spaces were designated as part of the Faversham Neighbourhood Plan Local Green Space Designation. These exact sites were also promoted in the Local Green Spaces call for sites in 2021. However, given that they are already adopted in the Faversham Neighbourhood plan, they will carry over into the Local Plan.

Table 3 Local Green Spaces designated in the Faversham Neighbourhood Plan

	Location	PARISH	Continues to meet eligibility criteria
1.	FNP/LGS/001 Playing Field & Play Area, Windermere Estate	Faversham	Yes
2.	FNP/LGS/002 New Creek Road	Faversham	Yes
3.	FNP/LGS/003 Play area/pitch, Bysing Wood Rd/Giraud Drive	Faversham	Yes
4.	FNP/LGS/004 Crab Island, Front Brents	Faversham	Yes
5.	FNP/LGS/005 Fields, Upper Brents towards Faversham Creek	Faversham	Yes
6.	FNP/LGS/006 Woodlands at Wildish Road	Faversham	Yes
7.	FNP/LGS/007 Play Area, Wallers Road/R/O Lion Field	Faversham	Yes
8.	FNP/LGS/008 Playing area/Field, Lower Road/Benstead Grove	Faversham	Yes

4. Following the Call for site for Local Green Spaces in 2021, twenty-one sites have met all the eligibility criteria of a Local Green Space.

Table 4 Sites that meet eligibility criteria and are proposed to be designated as Local Green Space

	Location		PARISH	Meets Criteria - To be designated
1.	Faversham Recreation Ground	LGS/001	Faversham	Yes
2.	Area alongside QE Playfield	LGS/004	Faversham	Yes
3.	Clapgate Springs	LGS/008	Faversham	Yes
4.	Cooksditch (4)	LGS/010	Faversham	Yes
5.	Land at Brickfield Lane	LGS/157	Boughton	Yes
6.	Play area at Woodpecker Drive	LGS/021	Iwade	Yes
7.	Ospringe Allotments	LGS/056	Ospringe	Yes
8.	Footpath parallel to Brent Road	LGS/078	Faversham	Yes
9.	Green adj to Estuary Road/Fleet Road	LGS/082	Sheerness	Yes
10	The Fleet	LGS/084	Sheerness	Yes
11	Allotments (Medway Road)	LGS/087	Sheerness	Yes
12	Allotments (Nursery Close)	LGS/089	Sheerness	Yes
13	Sports field, COOP Sports & Social Club	LGS/090	Sheerness	Yes
14	Festival Playing Field, New Road	LGS/081	Sheerness	Yes
15	Land by Rec, Jubilee Way/Bromley Ave, Windermere & Love Lane	LGS/125	Faversham	Yes
16	The Meads Community Woodland, The Meads, Sittingbourne	LGS/124	Sittingbourne	Yes
17	Allotments at St Nicholas Road	LGS/135	Faversham	Yes
18	Green Gap, Ospringe	LGS/136	Ospringe	Yes
19	Field behind The Vicarage	LGS/139	Tunstall	Yes
20	Bredgar Recreation Ground	LGS/141	Bredgar	Yes
21	Land off Bull Lane	LGS/146	Boughton	Yes

5. Following the call for site for Local Green Space in 2021, ninety-four sites have not met the eligibility criteria of a Local Green Space. The table below summarises the reasons why.

Table 5 Sites that do not meet eligibility criteria

Location			PARISH	Meets Criteria - To be designated	Summary of Reason for not meeting Eligibility Criteria
1.	Land at Bapchild	LGS/137	Bapchild	No	hold no particular significance as listed
2.	Bobbing village sign, Sheppey Way, Bobbing	LGS/020	Bobbing	No	- this piece of land is opposite a small cluster of commercial development with residential development. - forms a grass verge which has no demonstrable significance as listed.
3.	Rooks View, Keycol Hill	LGS/065	Newington/Bobbing	No	this land forms a play area and adjacent field. It is a very pleasant amenity space but holds no significant value as listed to set it apart from others in the wider area.
4.	Land East of Borden Nature Reserve	LGS/143	Borden	No	the land has largely been cleared as part of a larger development to the north.
5.	Land fronting Canterbury Road	LGS/038	Dunkirk	No	it is not considered to hold a particular significance as listed.
6.	Land at junction of Stoney Road and Dawes Road	LGS/039	Dunkirk	No	this is a grass verge to a junction of Dawes Road and Stoney Road and holds no significance as listed

					which sets it apart from the many other verges in the wider area.
7.	Land rear of Berkeley Close	LGS/040	Dunkirk	No	holds no significance as listed to set it apart from the many other amenity spaces in the wider area.
8.	Land west of Weatherall Close	LGS/041	Dunkirk	No	is inaccessible to the public and constitutes a small area of fruit trees viewed from the pavement and is subsequently relatively unremarkable.
9.	Land east of Weatherall Close	LGS/042	Dunkirk	No	is inaccessible to the public and constitutes a small area of fruit trees viewed from the pavement and is subsequently relatively unremarkable.
10	Land at The Charltons	LGS/145	Boughton	No	this is a small piece of amenity space at the end of a cul-de-sac which holds no particular significance as listed. Land like this is repeated countless times throughout the Borough and there is nothing discernible to set this space apart from others.
11	Land at junction of The Street/Colonels Lane	LGS/147	Boughton	No	these strips of land form verges to the road and hold no significance as listed.
12	Land on corner of Colonels Lane	LGS/148	Boughton	No	the land forms a verge to the road which holds no significance as listed. Such verges are commonplace and there is nothing which sets this one apart from others in the wider area.

13	Land on junction of Colonels Lane/Field End Place	LGS/149	Boughton	No	this land forms a strip of partly vegetated amenity land to the rear of dwellings in Wheatsheaf Close and holds no particular significance as listed.
14	Land at The Ridgeway	LGS/150	Boughton	No	this is a small field, and while all amenity space adds value to the community, it holds no particular significance as listed. Such space is commonplace within developments across the Borough and there is nothing to set this apart from others.
15	Land at Colonels Lane (opposite Swedish Court)	LGS/151	Boughton	No	the land forms a sloping piece of amenity space to the front of dwellings in Colonels Lane. Whilst adding to the pleasant character of the road, it holds no particular significance as listed which sets it apart from others in the wider area.
16	Land at Colonels Lane (adjacent no. 77)	LGS/152	Boughton	No	the land forms a sloping piece of amenity space to the front of dwellings in Colonels Lane. Whilst adding to the pleasant character of the road, it holds no particular significance as listed which sets it apart from others in the wider area.
17	Land at Burnt Oast Road	LGS/153	Boughton	No	this is a corner/verge at a junction of Burnt Oast Road. Whilst adding to the pleasant character of the street scene, it holds no particular

					value as listed which sets it apart from other such pieces of land.
18	Land at St Pauls Road	LGS/154	Boughton	No	this forms amenity space within a road which, while adding to the pleasant character of the street scene, holds no particular significance as listed which sets it apart from other such pieces of land.
19	Land rear of Horselees Road	LGS/155	Boughton	No	this is a playing area and field, which is certainly an attractive amenity space. However, it holds no particular significance as listed which sets it above others in the wider area.
20	Land at South Street	LGS/156	Boughton	No	this forms a small piece of a larger parcel of agricultural land which holds no significance as listed which sets it apart from the acres of surrounding agricultural land.
21	Land at junction of Canterbury Road with Stockers Hill	LGS/158	Boughton	No	these strips of land form vegetated roadside spaces which are commonplace and hold no particular significance as listed to set them apart from others in the wider area.
22	The former Conyer Brickworks	LGS/121	Teynham	No	this land has extant planning permission (as well as a current, revised application) for residential development.

23	Red Road	LGS/045	Dunkirk	No	- not particularly close to any of the surrounding communities. - this track forms a route into Blean Wood but holds no significance as listed in isolation.
24	Land off Courtenay Road	LGS/036	Dunkirk	No	This site is a lone green space with a basketball court in the middle in an area dominated by fields. Considering its locality it is an unremarkable piece of land and therefore hard to argue for its designation as a Local Green Space.
25	Land at Manson Wood	LGS/037	Dunkirk	No	the land forms a private airfield. It is not readily accessible to the wider local community, physically or in views, and therefore holds no demonstrable significance as listed.
26	Land at junction of Canterbury Road and Boughton Bypass	LGS/046	Dunkirk	No	these are partly grassed, partly wooded verges to a junction of Canterbury Road and Boughton Bypass and hold no significance as listed to set them apart from the many others in the area.
27	Shurland Dale holiday park frontage	LGS/102	Eastchurch	No	- the land serves a holiday park rather than a local community per se. - the land serves the entrance to a holiday park, and while a pleasant amenity space,

					holds no particular significance as listed.
28	Field between the Carpenter's Arms and St Mary's Church, The Street	LGS/061	Eastling	No	this is an agricultural field which, although contributing to the rural character of the village, holds no significant quality as listed which sets it apart from the wider agricultural landscape.
29	Abbeyfields	LGS/002	Faversham	No	- while the Public Right of Way alongside the site is well used by walkers, the land itself is in agricultural use and offers no demonstrable significance over and above that of other agricultural land in the area. - although this parcel of land is not extensive, it is quite generic to its surroundings and does not hold a sense of local intimacy.
30	Abbeyfields north of Gordon Square	LGS/003	Faversham	No	- it is not only inaccessible to the local community, but cannot even be viewed properly from any point, as it is surrounded by trees, hedges, fences and private land. Subsequently, it is difficult to justify that it is special or particularly significant to the local community. - site is over 5ha in size

31	The Cooksditch (1)	LGS/005	Faversham	No	it is not only inaccessible to the local community, with no footpath along it, but cannot even be viewed properly from any point, with only one public bridge crossing it via footpath, which offers partial views.
32	The Cooksditch (2)	LGS/006	Faversham	No	this forms a smaller part of site LGS/003, so while this area may have some historical and biodiversity value relating to the evolution of Faversham and the water environment, it is not only inaccessible to the local community, but cannot be viewed properly from any point, as it is surrounded by trees, hedges, fences and private land.
33	Cooksditch (3)	LGS/007	Faversham	No	while this area may have some historical and biodiversity value relating to the evolution of Faversham and the water environment, it is not only inaccessible to the local community, but cannot be viewed properly from any point, as there are no public footpaths and it is adjacent to other private land.
34	The Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School playing field	LGS/009	Faversham	No	national policy supports the ability of schools to expand or use their grounds as required for the benefit of the school. LGS

					designation could prevent this from happening.
35	Thorne Creek	LGS/016	Faversham	No	fairly isolated from Faversham itself in a rural area and adjacent to a Sewage Treatment Works.
36	Land at meeting of Clapgate and School Farm streams	LGS/017	Graveney and Goodnestone	No	at over 30 ha, the land is extensive and does not provide a sense of local containment. This is contrary to the aim of LGS designation, which seeks smaller, more intimate spaces that do not cover large areas of countryside. Land over 20 ha is generally considered to be too extensive.
37	School Farm Springs	LGS/035	Graveney and Goodnestone	No	it is in the countryside more than 400m from the built-up area.
38	Bysing Wood	LGS/051	Luddenham	No	at over 20 ha, this forms an extensive tract of land which is contrary to the aims of LGS designation which seeks smaller, modest space. This does not demean the importance of the woodland, however.
39	Meadow Gap to the SSSI	LGS/073	Faversham	No	Although there may be some wildlife, there is no public access or defined boundary to demonstrate particular local significance, with the green area merging into the adjacent SSSI.
40	Faversham Creek to the SSSI	LGS/074	Faversham	No	Similar to site 073 (which is also incorporated into part of this site) although there may be some

					wildlife, there is no public access or defined boundary to demonstrate particular local significance, with the green area merging into the adjacent SSSI.
41	Pumping station, The Knole	LGS/104	Faversham	No	the land is adjacent to an existing LGS designation at The Knole which is heavily wooded. In isolation, this land forms a grassed outlet from it and holds no significance in itself to warrant inclusion with this existing designation.
42	Footpath to The Westbrook stream, Beech Close	LGS/106	Faversham	No	the land forms an entrance to the Westbrook which is an existing LGS designation. In itself, it has no particular quality as listed which would warrant expanding the designation.
43	Willow Tree green, Stonebridge Way (opposite Chart Close)	LGS/107	Faversham	No	the land forms an entrance to The Westbrook stream which is an existing LGS designation. In itself, it holds no particular quality as listed which would warrant expanding the existing designation.
44	The green on Stonebridge Way (adjacent Finlay Close)	LGS/108	Faversham	No	this land forms a pleasant amenity space which softens the urban features of the estate. However, such spaces a commonplace throughout the Borough and there is no

					distinctive quality here as listed which sets it apart from them.
45	Sub-station/community orchard at The Knole	LGS/110	Faversham	No	this piece of land forms a mainly grassed outlet from the existing LGS designation at The Knole. While all amenity space adds value, it presents as a roadside verge which holds no particular significance as listed and does not warrant inclusion with the existing designation.
46	Ball court, green walkways and open spaces within the Moat estate	LGS/115	Faversham	No	this land forms various amenity spaces within a housing estate. Its southern extent is adjacent to an existing LGS designation. While softening the urban environment and providing open space, it holds no particular significance as listed which sets its qualities apart from other such amenity spaces in the wider area. It does not warrant an addition to the existing designation.
47	Bysing Wood	LGS/120	Luddenham	No	unlike the nearby LGS designation at Oare Gunpowder Works Country Park, this land, though not covering a large area overall, is more extensive, separated by roads and does not provide a sense of local intimacy.
48	Preston Nursery	LGS/127	Faversham	No	the land forms partly agricultural, partly vegetated land between Ashford Road and Salters Lane. It

					holds no significance as listed which sets it apart from the surrounding, similar countryside.
49	The Abbey School playing field (1)	LGS/128	Faversham	No	national policy supports the ability of schools to expand or use their grounds as required for the benefit of the school. LGS designation could prevent this from happening.
50	Abbey School playing field (2)	LGS/129	Faversham	No	national policy supports the ability of schools to expand or use their grounds as required for the benefit of the school. LGS designation could prevent this from happening.
51	Field adjacent Brogdale Road	LGS/130	Faversham	No	this tree lined agricultural field contributes to the pleasant route into the town, but in itself holds no particular significance which sets it apart from the wider, similar rural landscape.
52	Land adjacent to Langdon Court Cottages, Head Hill Road	LGS/029	Graveney with Goodnestone	No	this is agricultural land which forms part of the pleasant route through the villages but does not hold any particular significance as listed to set it apart from wider rural landscape.
53	Land adjacent to Four Horseshoes Park, Head Hill Road	LGS/030	Graveney with Goodnestone	No	this field maintains a pleasant openness on the route through the villages but holds no particular significance as listed which sets it apart from the wider rural landscape.

54	Village hall playing field, Sandbanks Lane	LGS/031	Graveney with Goodnestone	No	this playing field, linked to the village hall, no doubt adds value as an amenity space, but it does not hold a particular significance as listed which sets it apart from other playing fields and areas in the wider area.
55	Land opposite Graveney Primary School, Seasalter Road	LGS/032	Graveney with Goodnestone	No	while amenity space certainly adds value to the community, this field holds no particular significance as listed which sets it apart from other playing fields and areas in the wider area.
56	Land opposite Murston Place, Seasalter Road	LGS/033	Graveney with Goodnestone	No	this land, while contributing to the openness of this rural landscape, holds no particular significance as listed which sets it apart from that landscape.
57	Land adjacent to Odin's path between All Saint's Church, Seasalter Road and Sparrow Court, Broom Street	LGS/034	Graveney with Goodnestone	No	- a small part of the land forms amenity space to the rear of the church, but a large part of it is agricultural. It holds no particular significance as listed which sets it apart from the wider rural and agricultural landscape. - while not particularly large, the land extends away from the villages and does not provide a sense of local intimacy.
58	Underlynch, between Hollow Lane and Lower Hartlip Road	LGS/062	Hartlip	No	the land is not publicly accessible, and while viewing the site is

					possible from points on Hollow Lane and the Rose and Crown pub car park, the site itself is an unremarkable open grazing paddock, with short grass and little biodiversity of note.
59	War memorial and garden, The street	LGS/064	Hartlip	No	This site definitely has historical significance in its remembrance of village residents lost in WWI and II but it is not green and therefore cannot be designated as a Local Green Space.
60	Field backing onto The Street	LGS/066	Hartlip	No	this field certainly contributes to the character of the wider landscape and contains a public right of way which is used by the community. However, it holds no particular significance as listed which sets it apart from that wider landscape.
61	The Village Pond/The Old Wheel Wash, The Street	LGS/067	Hartlip	No	Despite holding historical significance in regard to its previous use as a wheel wash, this site is a pond and therefore not a green space. It is hard to justify its designation as a green space.
62	Land at Iwade	LGS/018	Iwade	No	part of the land forms the Iwade nature park which, in isolation, is demonstrably special, and is the subject of a separate assessment recommending designation.

					The remainder of the land is in agricultural use which holds no particular significance as listed to set it apart from the wider rural landscape. away from the nature park, the land does not provide a sense of local containment and intimacy.
63	Land at Sheppey Way	LGS/019	Iwade	No	this land forms a generic amenity space for the village, and while certainly of value to the community, holds no outstanding significance as listed which sets it apart from other such spaces in the wider area.
64	Land to the rear of The Woolpack Inn	LGS/022	Iwade	No	this land forms a partly wooded, partly grassed strip of amenity space and holds no particular significance as listed which sets it apart from other such amenity spaces in the wider area.
65	Land at Dunlin Walk and rear of Iwade School	LGS/023	Iwade	No	this land forms a pleasant amenity space which certainly adds value to the community. However, it holds no demonstrable significance as listed which sets it apart from other such spaces in the wider area.
66	Evergreen Close	LGS/025	Iwade	No	this land forms a generic amenity space, and while all open spaces

					add value to the community, there is nothing demonstrably special about this land as listed which sets it apart from others in the wider area.
67	Callum Hill and the surrounding area	LGS/024	Lower Halstow/Bobbing/Newington	No	- the majority of it is not close to the communities it serves. - much of it is agricultural land of no particular significance - this is an extensive tract of land
68	The Gallops	LGS/117	Lynsted	No	Site is over 5ha making it an extensive tract of land
69	Toll Wood	LGS/118	Lynsted	No	This site is an ancient woodland and therefore holds a richness in wildlife however there is no access into the woods making it hard to justify its designation as a Local Green Space.
70	Dadman's Shaw	LGS/119	Lynsted	No	This site is within walking distance from the village however it is along the road with no footpath connectivity. Additionally, it is an open field surrounded by more open fields. It is an unremarkable piece of land making it hard to justify it as a Local Green Space.
71	Land South of London Road, including the Coffin Pathway	LGS/122	Lynsted	No	the land forms an agricultural parcel of land which holds not particular value as listed which sets its qualities apart from the

					wider landscape and the many acres of agricultural land.
72	Plover Road play area	LGS/093	Minster on Sea	No	while all amenity spaces are of value, this play area holds no significance as listed and is not discernible from others in the wider area.
73	The Old Orchard, Parsonage Chase	LGS/094	Minster on Sea	No	This piece of land is now severely overgrown, and the entrance is blocked.
74	Fields on either side of Ham Road	LGS/077	Faversham	No	at over 20 ha, the land is extensive and contrary to the aims of LGS designations which seek smaller, more modest spaces.
75	Area surrounding St Peter and St Paul's Church, Water Lane	LGS/054	Ospringe	No	- this is agricultural land which contributes to the openness of the surrounding countryside, but holds no individual significance as listed which sets it apart from that wider agricultural and rural landscape. - at over 20 ha, this forms an extensive tract of land which extends away from the village and town.
76	Triangular green fronting St Peter & St Paul's Church, Water Lane	LGS/055	Ospringe	No	this amenity space in front of the church contributes to its setting, but does not hold any particular significance as listed with no qualities over and above the rest of the surrounding space.

77	Field at Water Lane	LGS/057	Ospringe	No	This field forms part of the open and pleasant countryside to the south of Ospringe, but holds not particular value as listed in itself to set it apart from the surrounding landscape.
78	Echo Field	LGS/059	Ospringe	No	this land includes a field, some wooded land and a private property. While it forms a part of the pleasant open countryside here, the land itself holds no particular significance as listed to set it apart from the wider landscape.
79	Land between the M2, Water Lane and Vicarage Lane	LGS/060	Ospringe	No	• This strip of land forms part of the open, pleasant and in places, wooded countryside to the south of Ospringe and Faversham. However, it holds no particular significance as listed which sets it apart from the wider surrounding landscape. • although not overly large, the land extends away from Ospringe in a linear manner which does not provide a sense of local intimacy.
80	Former chalk pit at Vicarage Lane	LGS/126	Faversham	No	this former chalk pit is steep and inaccessible, nor is it readily visible due to its tree lined boundary. It therefore is not

					demonstrably special to the local community as listed.
81	Lorenden Park	LGS/058	Ospringe	No	large area of parkland
82	Land west of Farm Cottages	LGS/140	Rodmersham	No	this land forms part of an orchard, however there is no public access and it cannot be seen from the road.
83	Land within Barton's Point Coastal Park	LGS/069	Sheerness	No	is largely developed. The rest of the park is already a designated LGS.
84	Playing area and field adjacent to Vincent Gardens	LGS/079	Sheerness	No	holds no particular significance as listed which sets it apart from others in the wider area.
85	Beachfields Park	LGS/080	Sheerness	No	Majority of the land is developed
86	Green space, west of Tesco	LGS/085	Sheerness	No	this piece of amenity land sits between a supermarket car park and The Moat. While linking to the important scheduled monument of The Moat, the land in itself holds no particular significance as listed which sets it apart from other connecting amenity spaces in the area.
87	Land adjacent to Millennium Way, south of Rides Windmill	LGS/086	Sheerness	No	this amenity space softens an urban edge of the town but holds no significance as listed which sets its qualities above that of other such spaces within the area.
88	The Paddock adjacent to Garrison Road	LGS/088	Sheerness	No	Could not endure beyond the end of the plan period

89	Queenborough Lines	LGS/091	Sheerness	No	This site is too large and spans over 3.5km therefore it is an extensive track of land.
90	Land at Bridge Road	LGS/092	Sheerness	No	this land forms a pleasant amenity space adjacent to The Moat. While attractive, it holds no particular significance as listed which sets it apart from the other such amenity spaces in the wider area.
91	Sports ground, Grove Park Primary School	LGS/027	Bobbing	No	national policy supports the ability of schools to expand or use their grounds as required for the benefit of the school. LGS designation could prevent this from happening.
92	Maylam Gardens	LGS/028	Borden	No	does not hold a particular significance as listed which sets it apart from others, and is fairly common of the spaces created within the newer developments in the Borough.
93	Moonstone Square, The Meads	LGS/123	Non-civil parish	No	while all amenity space adds value to the community, this is of a fairly common design for newer developments within the Borough and holds no particular significance as listed which sets it apart from others.
94	Land between the A2 and Grove Park Avenue	LGS/144	Bobbing	No	piece of land is unremarkable

6. Planning & Transportation Policy Working Group (12.03.26) comments and officer response.

At the Planning and Transportation Working Group in March, Councillors raised a number of points regarding the Local Green Spaces Assessment Report. This included sites noted within the wrong wards, uncertainty on what Maylam Gardens site was being assessed and to reconsider some sites and to consult Town and Parish Councils on these sites for on technical grounds.

Officers have considered these points and sites are now included in the correct wards and the map of Maylam Gardens in the document has now been fixed to show just the site that is being assessed. Officers maintain their assessments of the following sites as the assessments are in line with the NPPF:

- i. Land at Bapchild;
- ii. Land west of farm cottages,
- iii. The Queenborough Lines,
- iv. Beachfields and
- v. Land between the A2 and Grove Park Avenue, Sittingbourne.