Almeley Neighbourhood Plan

Local Green Space Assessment

Site Details		
Site/Area	**Grid Ref.**	**Description and Purpose**
Pool Common		Pool House common is located in Woonton and adjoins the C1079 road between Woonton and Almeley. Alane leading to Logaston from Woonton runs away from the common. The area is c.25 of an acre and enjoys uninterrupted and spectacular views towards Dorstone Hill and the Black Mountains, and is one of the few locations in Woonton accessible to the public where this can be done.

Checklist		
Statutory designations (e.g. SSSI)	**Site allocations (Give details)**	**Planning permissions (Give details)**
Two Listed Buildings border the area – Pool House and Woonton Farmhouse	Site tow west associated with Woonton Farm. This would enhance the setting of the common	Nothing on site. Some sites close to the common.

NPPF Criteria		
Close to the community it serves	**Demonstrably special to local community (beauty, historic significance, recreational value, tranquillity, wildlife, or other)**	**Local in character and not extensive tract**
	The common is a valuable community facility.	The common is an important local facility. It is unlikely to offer opportunity for building due to the topography and size of the space

		available. Recognised as having local visual and other amenity value by residents.

Conclusion
The site has amenity and heritage value to the community, being special in that regard. It meets the requirements for designation as LGS.







Notes:

To be eligible for designation as Local Green Space, the space in question would need to meet the NPPF criteria.

Site details section
Include the name of the space (if there is one) and the address (roads flanking the site). Estimate the size if possible.

The 'description and purpose' box should include any primary purpose (for example informal grassed area, park or football pitch) and any other occasional or secondary uses.

Checklist Section

The 'statutory designations' box should list all designations, e.g. conservation area, register of historic parks and gardens, SSSIs (Refer to SEA Scoping document if necessary).

Existing or proposed site allocations (e.g. in a local plan) or valid planning permissions for a site should be identified. Either of these is likely to exclude that site from consideration for designation as Local Green Space.

NPPF Criteria Section

In 'close to the community it serves' box describe the proximity of the green space to the local community. The space should be within easy walking distance to meet this criterion satisfactorily (1.25 miles or less).

The 'demonstrably special to local community' should describe the ways in which the space is used or enjoyed by the community. Community engagement may be used to demonstrate this. This includes consideration of beauty, historic significance, recreational value, tranquillity, wildlife, or other values.

The 'Local in character and not extensive tract' box should be used to demonstrate that the space in question is a local facility and not, for example, green space in the countryside. The purpose of Local Green Space designation is to protect local spaces. Containing urban sprawl or protecting open countryside would not be proper uses of the designation.