

Tisbury and West Tisbury Neighbourhood plan response to additional queries from Mr Matheson

16th July 2019

LGS1: On the map on page 64 the green space extends beyond the playing field (which is the description of the site) to include a fenced off tree-planted area to the south; although it is difficult to be sure, that tree planted area appears to be omitted from the birds-eye image on page 65. Which is correct please?

As a local community, I think we have started to take the Community Orchard (the "tree planted area") for granted but, strictly speaking, it does not form part of the area of the King George V playing field; rather, it belongs to the Community Open Space which was leased to Tisbury Parish Council for 100 years, as part of the Wyndhams Section 106 Agreement. As it is part of the area of land included in the 100-year lease, we do not think the Community Orchard needs to be included in LGS.1 and it could potentially lead to unnecessary confusion. The drawing on page 65 is therefore correct and page 64 needs to be amended accordingly to include the KGV playing fields, but exclude the Community Orchard.

LGS5: The boundary appears to include to the north of the site a substantial rough-surfaced car park ie an area that is not a green space. Was that the intention?

This is an error in the mapping. There is no intention to include any of the rough-surfaced car park. The steering group can arrange for the map to be re-drawn, correctly to reflect the allotments area as it is on the ground.

LGS6: Whilst the tabulation on page 63 and the birds-eye images on page 65 both include an LGS6, the map and its key on page 64 do not. What is the correct position? My initial impression is that there are numerous areas within the Neighbourhood Area or even within other Tisbury estates that are the equivalent of this incidental open space. It would need more explanation for me to understand why this space might be considered "demonstrably special" and to hold "a particular local significance" (my emphases) as required amongst the NPPF criteria.

The map and its key on page 64 should include LGS.6. It is an omission and the map needs to be corrected. LGS.6 was added as a late amendment by Tisbury Parish Council as it was considered that this particular area of green space needed specific protection. It is a very noticeable green space, located as it is at a main point of entry to the village. It is particularly valued by local residents, some of whom have planted trees and spring-flowering bulbs there in memory of deceased relatives.

We agree that there are many other sites around the neighbourhood area that could or even should be listed as Local Green Spaces. However, to have defined them specifically would have taken many more hours of negotiation with local land-owners, beyond the scope of our limited resources. It could be a specific point of emphasis for the next round of our local neighbourhood planning in a few years' time.