Bingley Parish Neighbourhood Plan

Local Green Spaces – Supporting Evidence

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Policy Context

The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)¹ introduced the concept of Local Green Space (LGS) designation. LGS designation is a way to provide special protection against development for green areas of particular importance to local communities.

Section 8 of the NPPF (paragraphs 96-101 Open Space and Recreation) provides the following information on Local Green Space designations: "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. Designating land as Local Green Space should be consistent with the local planning of sustainable development and complement investment in sufficient homes, jobs and other essential services. Local Green Spaces should only be designated when a plan is prepared or updated, and be capable of enduring beyond the end of the plan period".

Adding, "The Local Green Space designation should only be used where the green space is:

- a) in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves;
- 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; and
- c) local in character and is not an extensive tract of land".

Additional guidance is provided in the National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG) section on "open space, sports and recreation facilities, public rights of way and local green space²". Of particular relevance to the Bingley Neighbourhood Plan is paragraph 10, which states that "if land is already protected by Green Belt policy," …, "then consideration should be given to whether any additional local benefit would be gained by designation as Local Green Space".

See below for list of relevant designated sites, protected by Green Belt or other policy. **

Myrtle Park.

Eldwick Recreation Ground

Gilstead Recreation Ground

The Prince of Wales Park

Village Greens at Micklethwaite

Allotments at Beckfoot.

Playing fields at Beckfoot School, St Joseph's Primary School. Crossflatts Primary School.

Bradford and Bingley Sports Club.

¹ National Planning Policy Framework February 2019

² https://www.gov.uk/guidance/open-space-sports-and-recreation-facilities-public-rights-of-way-and-local-green-space

Process for Designation

Whilst the NPPF establishes the concept of LGS designation and provides some guiding principles, it gives local communities preparing a Neighbourhood Plan some discretion to determine how to implement this at the local level.

A four-stage approach was adopted by the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group.

Step 1: Identification of potential sites.

A long list of potential sites was developed. These were derived from local knowledge, including the outcomes from the community consultation events. *A full list of sites considered and discarded is available at the end of this chapter.*

Step 2: Assessment against the NPPF criteria

The sites were then assessed to consider their suitability for LGS designation. To allow comparative assessment of the sites, a form was created based on the criteria in the NPPF. These are that the sites are:

- in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves
- demonstrably special to a local community
- holds a particular local significance, for example, because of its
 - beauty,
 - historic significance,
 - recreational value (including as a playing field),
 - tranquility or
 - richness of its wildlife
- local in character and is not an extensive tract of land.

These criteria were used to create a LGS evaluation form. This enabled a consistent and transparent methodology for identifying LGSs in the Parish. Each potential site was assessed.

The Group, like most groups undertaking LGS analysis, faced challenges. In particular, the sheer number of potential local green spaces in the Parish of some significance. National planning policy enables a local plan to protect those of local significance. In addition, the absence of a statutory or commonly used definition of these terms, particularly what constitutes, 'special' or comprises an 'extensive tract of land'. e.g. no 13 'The Crags' and no 20 'North Bog', may be considered extensive, however their intrinsic value to residents, location, history and function as boundaries between distinct areas of the parish, meant they are included.

A common-sense approach was taken, while at the same take having regard to good practice and the experiences of LGS designations in approved neighbourhood plans.

Step 3: Further review

All the proposed sites were then reviewed for their appropriateness for designation as LGS by the independent consultant helping prepare the Plan as well as officers at Bradford MDC both acting in a 'critical friend' role.

Step 4: Consultation

Satisfied that the sites met in principle, the criteria for LGS designation and should be formally proposed for designation in the Neighbourhood Plan, they were then "tested" through the Plan process. This included that the sites were set out for comment at the community consultation drop-in

events held in September 2019. No specific sites were commented on in the Consultation, except Myrtle Park. General comments were supportive of aims to protect the heritage and environment and to maintain green spaces.

Local Green Spaces Including Justification

1. Lyndale Road former school playing fields

Reference No.	1
Site Name	Lyndale Road former school playing fields
Address/location	SE 126 403
Description	Wide area, bordered by trees on one side, houses on three. Access via Guys Croft –
	pedestrian, some benches. Was part of Eldwick Primary School land.



Public Access	Yes , but not signposted
Is it in close proximity to the community it	Yes
would serve? I.e. within 400m	
Does the site have local significance?	Yes
Is it beautiful?	Yes
Does it have historic significance?	Yes. Part of the original Eldwick Primary
	School playing fields
Does it have recreation value? including	Yes. Plenty of space to run and play for
playing fields, in/formal	children. Popular with dog walkers. Benches
	provided. Views across to Eldwick Beck.
Is it tranquil? Is it a peaceful place away	Yes. Peaceful and quiet area.
from noise and bustle	
Does the site have wildlife value?	Yes 1x reptile, 1 x mammal
Biodiversity?	

Is the site local in character? (i.e. serves local	Yes
community and not extensive)	
Does site contribute to LP strategic	Amenity area
requirements for provision of homes,	
employment or services?	
Other	Designated as playing field in RUDP

2. Canary Drive Wild area

Reference No.	2
Site Name	Canary Drive Wild area
Address/location	SE 122 397
Description	Extensive tract bordered by mature trees, flat, wild, bracken covered area, uncultivated.





Public Access	Yes
Is it in close proximity to the community it	Yes
would serve? I.e. within 400m	
Does the site have local significance?	Remains of former wooded and open area.
	Marks border between Old Gilstead and Old
	Eldwick. Before construction of Swan Estate
	provided a clear delineation between Gilstead
	and Eldwick. Next to school which was originally
	Gilstead Middle School, now Eldwick Primary
	School. Only uncultivated, undeveloped land
	between Gilstead Lane and Spring Lane in
	Eldwick on that side of road between Gilstead
	and Eldwick.
Is it beautiful?	Yes
Does it have historic significance?	Yes. Formed part of Gilstead Moor before
	Enclosures Act in 1861. Marks the former
	boundary between villages of Gilstead and
	Eldwick.
Does it have recreation value? including playing	Yes. Provides 'wild' space for children to play
fields, in/formal	and explore.
Is it tranquil? Is it a peaceful place away from	Yes. Popular with dog walkers and local
noise and bustle	residents.
Does the site have wildlife value? Biodiversity?	Yes. Mammals x 6. Amphibians x 3

Is the site local in character? (i.e. serves local	Yes
community and not extensive)	
Does site contribute to LP strategic	Amenity Area.
requirements for provision of homes,	
employment or services?	
Other	No current designation.

3. Swan Avenue Nature Reserve

Reference No.	3
Site Name	Swan Avenue Nature Reserve
Address/location	SE 120 398
Description	Wildlife area, Nature trees, uncultivated





Public Access	Yes
Is it in close proximity to the community it	Yes
would serve? I.e. within 400m	
Does the site have local significance?	Yes. Provided by developers on estate with
	few green public spaces
Is it beautiful	Yes
Does it have historic significance?	Buffer zone marking separation between the
	two communities of Gilstead and Eldwick,
	linked to Canary Drive area at no 2.
Does it have recreation value? including	Yes
playing fields, in/formal	
Is it tranquil? Is it a peaceful place away	Yes
from noise and bustle	
Does the site have wildlife value?	Yes. Birdlife, insects, wildflowers.
Biodiversity?	
Is the site local in character? (i.e. serves local	Yes
community and not extensive)	
Does site contribute to LP strategic	Amenity area.
requirements for provision of homes,	
employment or services?	
Other	Designated Nature Reserve by BMDC.
	Provided by developer when estate built.

4. Warren Lane Allotments

Reference No.	4
Site Name	Warren Lane Allotments
Address/location	SE 119 96
Description	Mixed allotments





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Public Access	No
Is it in close proximity to the community it	No
would serve? I.e. within 400m	
Does the site have local significance?	Yes. Popular allotments, waiting list.
Is it beautiful?	No
Does it have historic significance?	Former water board land
Does it have recreation value? including	Yes
playing fields, in/formal	
Is it tranquil? Is it a peaceful place away from	Yes
noise and bustle	
Does the site have wildlife value?	Yes
Biodiversity?	
Is the site local in character? (i.e. serves local	Yes
community and not extensive)	
Does site contribute to LP strategic	Amenity area
requirements for provision of homes,	
employment or services?	
Other	Designated as allotments in RUDP and
	identified in Open Space Assessment.

5. Giles Wood/Crosley Wood

Reference No.	5
Site Name	Giles Wood/Crosley Wood
Address/location	SE 118 385
Description	Wooded and open. Giles Wood separated
	from Crosley Wood housing estate by
	fencing. Mature trees, grass, bracken and
	scrub. Uncultivated. Site of archaeological
	dig in 1960s. Roman remains.









Public Access	Yes
Is it in close proximity to the community it	Yes
would serve? I.e. within 400m	
Does the site have local significance?	Yes
Is it beautiful?	Yes
Does it have historic significance?	Yes Site of archaeological dig in 1960s.
	Neolithic and Roman remains
Does it have recreation value? including	Yes. Informal
playing fields, in/formal	
Is it tranquil? Is it a peaceful place away	Yes
from noise and bustle	
Does the site have wildlife value?	Yes. Wildflowers, insects, bird life.
Biodiversity?	

Is the site local in character? (i.e. serves local	Yes – accessible from Crosley Wood housing,
community and not extensive)	Crosley View, Primrose Lane, the Oval and
	the canal, Wagon Lane.
Does site contribute to LP strategic	Amenity area. BMDC would not allow this to
requirements for provision of homes,	be included in Crosley Wood redevelopment
employment or services?	plans because of ancient remains.
Other	Listed as Urban Greenspace in RUDP and
	Natural/semi natural Greenspace in Open
	Space Assessment.

6. Stanley Street Allotments

Reference No.	6
Site Name	Stanley Street Allotments
Address/location	SE 113 392
Description	2 small allotments in triangular shape.



Public Access	No
Is it in close proximity to the community it	Yes
would serve? I.e. within 400m	
Does the site have local significance?	Yes. It is well tended and has a waiting list of 17
	in number.
Is it beautiful?	No
Does it have historic significance?	Last remnants of original allotments provided
	for workers' dwellings from Britannia Mills.
Does it have recreation value? including playing	Yes
fields, in/formal	
Is it tranquil? Is it a peaceful place away from	Yes
noise and bustle	
Does the site have wildlife value? Biodiversity?	Yes
Is the site local in character? (i.e. serves local	Yes
community and not extensive)	
Does site contribute to LP strategic	Yes. Amenity area.
requirements for provision of homes,	
employment or services?	
Other	Designated as allotments in RUDP.

7. Queens Road Recreation Field, Crossflatts

Reference No.	7
Site Name	Queens Road Recreation Field, Crossflatts
Address/location	SE 101 407
Description	Playing Fields



Public Access	Yes
Is it in close proximity to the community it	Yes
would serve? I.e. within 400m	
Does the site have local significance?	Yes, traditionally provides open space and
	sports/ recreational facilities for community.
	Also used for community events e.g. Play in the
	Park, Crossflatts Village Society events
Is it beautiful?	Not really, but open
Does it have historic significance?	No
Does it have recreation value? including playing	Yes. Play park for children, football field.
fields, in/formal	
Is it tranquil? Is it a peaceful place away from	Open space, bounded by trees, separated from
noise and bustle	industrial development, roads and housing.
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Does the site have wildlife value? Biodiversity?	No
Is the site local in character? (i.e. serves local	Yes.
community and not extensive)	
Does site contribute to LP strategic	Yes. Sport and recreational facilities for
requirements for provision of homes,	community.
employment or services?	

Other	Designated as playing fields in RUDP and
	outdoor sport and play area in Open Space
	Assessment.

8. Green by canal, Canal Road/Newark Rd

Reference No.	8
Site Name	Green by canal, Canal Road/Newark Rd
Address/location	SE 105 404
Description	Open area adjacent to Canal towpath.



Public Access	Yes
Is it in close proximity to the community it	Yes
would serve? I.e. within 400m	
Does the site have local significance?	Yes, it provides access for pedestrians,
	cyclists etc. to towpath
Is it beautiful?	Not really
Does it have historic significance?	No
Does it have recreation value? including	No
playing fields, in/formal	
Is it tranquil? Is it a peaceful place away	Yes
from noise and bustle	
Does the site have wildlife value?	Yes – canal wildlife. Birds, mammals,
Biodiversity?	amphibians.
Is the site local in character? (i.e. serves local	Yes
community and not extensive)	
Does site contribute to LP strategic	Amenity area, access to canal footpath for
requirements for provision of homes,	visitors from Railway station and for locals.
employment or services?	
Other	No designation in RUDP. Identified as part of
	green corridor in Open Space Assessment

9. Bingley Bowling Club

Reference No.	9
Site Name	Bingley Bowling Club
Address/location	SE 106 401
Description	Private bowling club



Public Access	No
Is it in close proximity to the community it	Yes
would serve? I.e. within 400m	
Does the site have local significance?	Yes. Well established, open to all to join.
Is it beautiful?	Yes
Does it have historic significance?	No
Does it have recreation value? including	Yes, crown green bowling
playing fields, in/formal	
Is it tranquil? Is it a peaceful place away	Yes
from noise and bustle	
Does the site have wildlife value?	No
Biodiversity?	
Is the site local in character? (i.e. serves local	Yes
community and not extensive)	
Does site contribute to LP strategic	Recreational facility
requirements for provision of homes,	
employment or services?	
Other	No designation

10. Rose Garden, All Saints Church

Reference No.	10
Site Name	Rose Garden, All Saints Church
Address/location	SE 106 395
Description	Green Space



Public Access	Yes
Is it in close proximity to the community it	Yes
would serve? I.e. within 400m	
Does the site have local significance?	Yes. Part of churchyard
Is it beautiful?	Yes. Provides green space for wedding and
	other ceremonial photography
Does it have historic significance?	Yes. Part of original church footprint.
Does it have recreation value? including	Yes. Benches provided to sit.
playing fields, in/formal	
Is it tranquil? Is it a peaceful place away from	Yes. Although next to busy main road,
noise and bustle	provides a place for quiet contemplation.
Does the site have wildlife value?	No
Biodiversity?	
Is the site local in character? (i.e. serves	Yes. Serves Parish Community.
local community and not extensive)	
Does site contribute to LP strategic	Amenity area attached to church
requirements for provision of homes,	
employment or services?	
Other	Identified as cemetery/churchyard.

11. Green area by The Market Cross. Jubilee Gardens

Reference No.	11
Site Name	Green area by The Market Cross. Jubilee
	Gardens
Address/location	SE 107 391
Description	Green space



Public Access	Yes
Is it in close proximity to the community it	Yes
would serve? I.e. within 400m	
Does the site have local significance?	Yes. Central Area next to historical Market
	and Buttercross and Arts Centre.
Is it beautiful?	No, but focal area to centre of Bingley
Does it have historic significance?	Yes. Ancient market and Buttercross are
	there, having been moved from Prince of
	Wales Park to provide centrepiece to
	Bingley.
Does it have recreation value? including	Yes, attached to area used for events.i.e
playing fields, in/formal	Bingley Monthly Market, Chamber of Trade
	events, Remembrance Day Parade.
Is it tranquil? Is it a peaceful place away	No
from noise and bustle	
Does the site have wildlife value?	No
Biodiversity?	
Is the site local in character? (i.e. serves local	Yes
community and not extensive)	
Does site contribute to LP strategic	A hub for arts, cultural and recreational
requirements for provision of homes,	events.
employment or services?	

Other	Designated as recreational open space in
	RUDP and civic space in Open Space
	Assessment.

12. Recreation Field, Cottingley

Reference No.	12
Site Name	Recreation Field, Cottingley
Address/location	SE 116 372
Description	Playing fields



Public Access	Yes
Is it in close proximity to the community it	Yes
would serve? I.e. within 400m	
Does the site have local significance?	Yes, traditionally provides open space and sports/recreational facilities for community. Also used for community events e.g. Play in the Park, Cottingley Village Association events
Is it beautiful?	In parts.
Does it have historic significance?	No
Does it have recreation value? including	Yes – all kinds of sport. Children's play park.
playing fields, in/formal	Heavily used by dog walkers and local
	residents.
Is it tranquil? Is it a peaceful place away	In parts – central wooded area. Benches
from noise and bustle	provided
Does the site have wildlife value? Biodiversity?	Yes, in copse in centre and verges /edges.
Is the site local in character? (i.e. serves local	Yes
community and not extensive)	
Does site contribute to LP strategic	Sport and recreational facility for the
requirements for provision of homes,	community.
employment or services?	

Other	Designated as playing fields in RUDP and
	outdoor sport and play area in Open Space
	Assessment.

13. Gilstead Moor known locally as The Crags

Reference No.	13
Site Name	Gilstead Moor known locally as The Crags
Address/location	SE 117 393
Description	Open moorland, uncultivated, bracken, grass, mature trees. Local trails and pathways.



Public Access	Yes
Is it in close proximity to the community it	Yes
would serve? I.e. within 400m	
Does the site have local significance?	Yes
Is it beautiful?	Yes.
Does it have historic significance?	Yes, marks a clear boundary between the original parishes of Bingley, Eldwick and Gilstead. Originally covered whole area from River Aire to the east across to Eldwick Moor to the west and north. Enclosures act in 1861 began the process of breaking up the moor for development.
Does it have recreation value? including playing fields, in/formal	Informal, used by walkers, runners etc.
Is it tranquil? Is it a peaceful place away from noise and bustle	Yes
Does the site have wildlife value? Biodiversity?	Yes. Identified by West Yorkshire Ecology Service as local wildlife site. Amphibians x1, insects x 2, flowering plants x 5. Small mammals etc.

Is the site local in character? (i.e. serves local	Is extensive, used by residents of whole of
community and not extensive)	Bingley.
Does site contribute to LP strategic	Locally well used amenity area. Is a
requirements for provision of homes,	distinctive area which marks the clear
employment or services?	boundary between the communities of
	Bingley, Eldwick and Gilstead.
Other	Designated as urban green space in RUDP
	and natural/semi natural green space in
	Open Space Assessment.

14. Millenium Wood – The Greenwood

Reference No.	14
Site Name	Millennium Wood – The Greenwood
Address/location	SE 110 407
Description	Mixed Woodland, mature trees, buffer
	between two housing developments.



Public Access	Yes
Is it in close proximity to the community it	Yes
would serve? I.e. within 400m	
Does the site have local significance?	Yes. Remnants of ancient woodland on
	Eldwick moor.
Is it beautiful?	Yes
Does it have historic significance?	Yes, see above.
Does it have recreation value? including	Yes, used extensively by local residents.
playing fields, in/formal	
Is it tranquil? Is it a peaceful place away	Yes
from noise and bustle	
Does the site have wildlife value?	Yes. Ancient mixed Woodland
Biodiversity?	
Is the site local in character? (i.e. serves local	Yes links two housing developments by a
community and not extensive)	footpath.
Does site contribute to LP strategic	Amenity area. Well used. Provides boundary
requirements for provision of homes,	between Oakwood and Stone Hill estates.
employment or services?	
Other	Recognised by Woodland Trust. Identified as
	natural/semi natural green space in Open
	Space Assessment.

15. Woodland between Main Street / Oberon Way, Cottingley

Reference No.	15
Site Name	Woodland between Main Street / Oberon Way,
	Cottingley
Address/location	SE 118 369
Description	Woodland



Public Access	Yes
Is it in close proximity to the community it	Yes
would serve? I.e. within 400m	
Does the site have local significance?	Yes
Is it beautiful?	Yes
Does it have historic significance?	Yes. Site where the Cottingley Fairies were 'photographed'.
Does it have recreation value? including playing fields, in/formal	Yes, for walkers and local residents.
Is it tranquil? Is it a peaceful place away from noise and bustle	Yes
Does the site have wildlife value? Biodiversity?	Yes. Ancient woodland at either side of Cottingley Beck. Insect, bird, small mammal life. Wildflowers.
Is the site local in character? (i.e. serves local community and not extensive)	Yes
Does site contribute to LP strategic requirements for provision of homes, employment or services?	Amenity area

Other	Designated new site for recreation in RUDP
	and natural/ semi natural green space in
	Open Space Assessment.

16. Park between Bradford Old Road and Cottingley New Road

Reference No.	16
Site Name	Park between Bradford Old Road and Cottingley
	New Road
Address/location	SE 119 373
Description	Small grassed area between roads.



Public Access	Yes
Is it in close proximity to the community it would	Yes
serve? I.e. within 400m	
Does the site have local significance?	Yes
Is it beautiful?	Yes
Does it have historic significance?	No
Does it have recreation value? including playing	Yes. Seating provided.
fields, in/formal	-
Is it tranquil? Is it a peaceful place away from	Yes, separated by trees from busy road and
noise and bustle	housing.
Does the site have wildlife value? Biodiversity?	No
Is the site local in character? (i.e. serves local	Yes
community and not extensive)	
Does site contribute to LP strategic requirements	No
for provision of homes, employment or services?	
Other	No designation.

17. Beck Lane Allotments

Reference No.	17
Site Name	Beck Lane Allotments
Address/location	SE 109 400
Description	Mixed allotments



Public Access	No
Is it in close proximity to the community it	Yes
would serve? I.e. within 400m	
Does the site have local significance?	Yes
Is it beautiful?	No
Does it have historic significance?	No
Does it have recreation value? including	Allotments
playing fields, in/formal	
Is it tranquil? Is it a peaceful place away	Yes
from noise and bustle	
Does the site have wildlife value?	Yes
Biodiversity?	
Is the site local in character? (i.e. serves local	Yes
community and not extensive)	

Does site contribute to LP strategic	Allotments provision
requirements for provision of homes,	
employment or services?	
Other	Designated allotments in RUDP, identified in
	Open Space Assessment

18. Fields to the north and west of Five Rise Farm (ruins)

Reference No.	18
Site Name	Fields to the north and west of Five Rise
	Farm (ruins)
Address/location	SE 107 399
Description	Pasture land with the remains of old field
	boundaries gently sloping 30m from the
	canal towpath to North Bog, a distance of
	300m



Public Access	Yes, to all of the boundary
Is it in close proximity to the community it would	Yes
serve? I.e. within 400m	
Does the site have local significance?	It's closely associated with the construction of both sets of locks with the site of the
	Carpenter's Shop adjacent Five Rise Locks.
Is it beautiful?	Yes
Does it have historic significance?	See above. Also marks the boundary
	between Bingley and Crossflatts – buffer
	zone.
Does it have recreation value? including playing	No, currently used as grazing for cattle.
fields, in/formal	
Is it tranquil? Is it a peaceful place away from noise	Yes
and bustle	
Does the site have wildlife value? Biodiversity?	Yes. SSI.

Is the site local in character? (i.e. serves local	Yes
community and not extensive)	
Does site contribute to LP strategic requirements for	Yes. Borders Canal towpath and footpath
provision of homes, employment or services?	provides access for walkers and visitors to
	the Five Rise Locks.
Other	Designated as urban green space in RUDP
	and natural/semi natural green space in
	Open Space Assessment.

19. Jer Wood to Cat Steps

Reference No.	19
Site Name	Jer Wood to Cat Steps
Address/location	SE 113 394
Description	Managed play and recreation area and
	uncultivated sloping woodland and scrub





Public Access	Yes
Is it in close proximity to the community it	Yes
would serve? I.e. within 400m	
Does the site have local significance?	Yes, only green and play space in densely populated housing area.
Is it beautiful?	Yes
Does it have historic significance?	Yes, older mixed woodland and open space separating Mornington Road housing from Crownest area.
Does it have recreation value? including playing fields, in/formal	Yes, play park for children and footpaths for walkers
Is it tranquil? Is it a peaceful place away from noise and bustle	Yes
Does the site have wildlife value? Biodiversity?	Yes. Mixed Woodland, mammals bats, bird, insect life.
Is the site local in character? (i.e. serves local community and not extensive)	Yes. Looked after by Friends of Jer Wood group. Provide activities and information for local people.
Does site contribute to LP strategic requirements for provision of homes, employment or services?	Yes. Amenity area.

Other	Designated as recreational open space and
	natural /semi natural green space in Open
	Space Assessment

20. North Bog

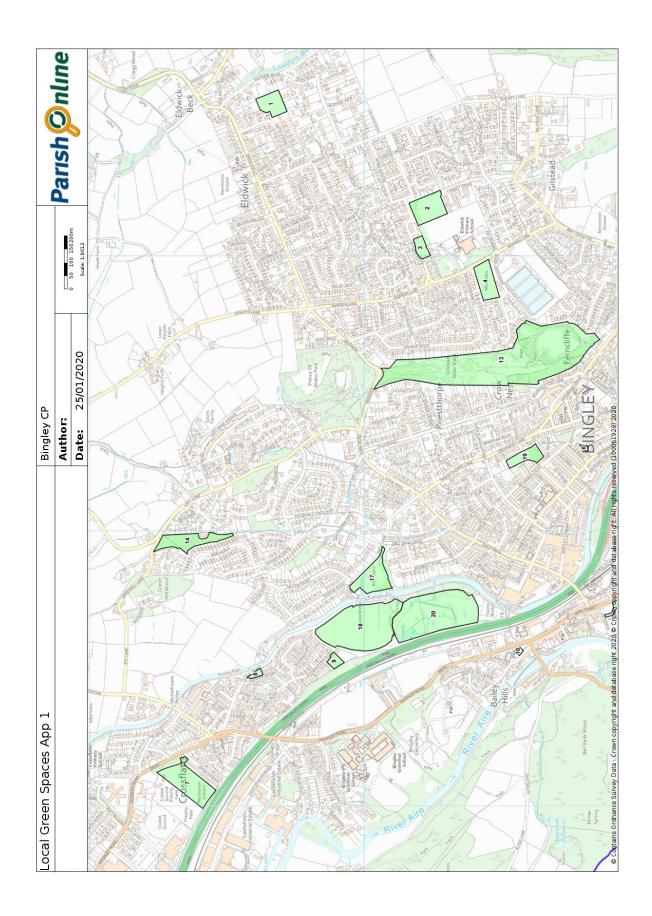
Reference No.	20
Site Name	North Bog
Address/location	SE 106 400
Description	Valley mire with a mosaic of damp grassland
	and wetland plant communities. Extensive
	tract of land.

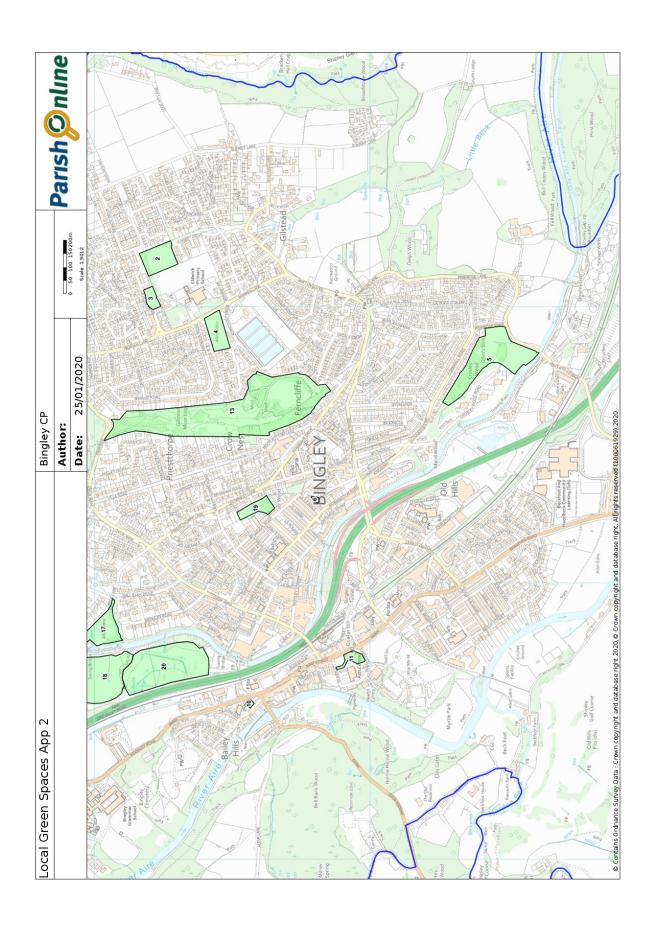


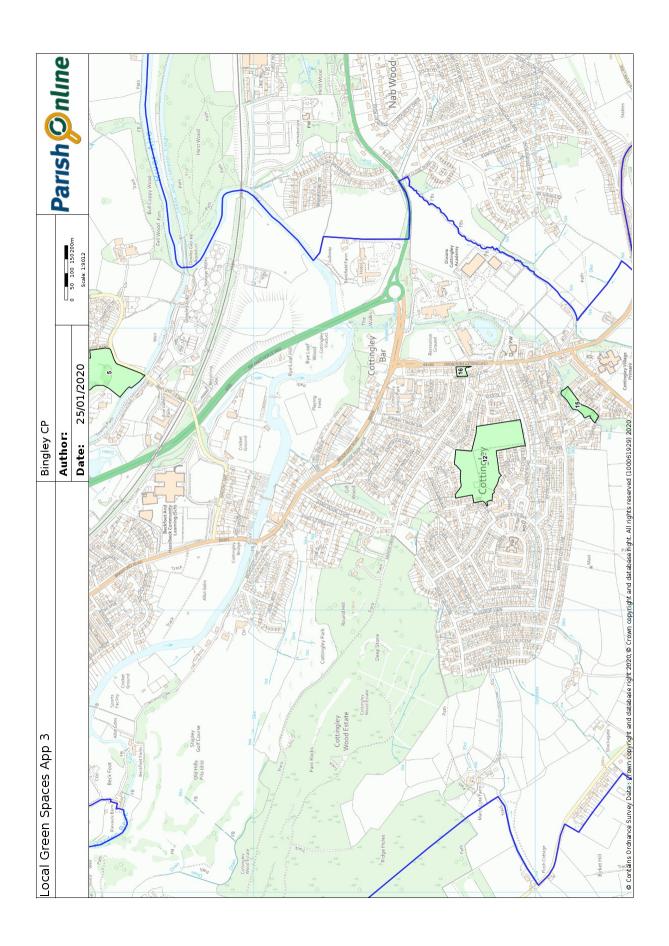


Public Access	Yes, footpath along boundary
Is it in close proximity to the community it would serve? I.e. within 400m	Yes and to wider population.
Does the site have local significance?	The east side of Bingley was an impassable lake until the railway was built in 1846. North (SSI) and South (SSSI) Bogs remain with thicknesses of peat estimated to be in the order of 5m
Is it beautiful?	Yes, and provides extensive views of surrounding areas e.g. Five Rise Locks/ Druids Altar, Gilstead Moor etc.
Does it have historic significance?	See above
Does it have recreation value? including playing	Nature study, popular with walkers. Route
fields, in/formal	from Crossflatts to Bingley, provides access to Five Rise and Three Rise Locks for visitors arriving by car or train.
Is it tranquil? Is it a peaceful place away from noise and bustle	Adjacent to the Relief Road, but still peaceful.
Does the site have wildlife value? Biodiversity?	Yes. SSI.
Is the site local in character? (i.e. serves local community and not extensive)	Yes but extensive.
Does site contribute to LP strategic requirements for provision of homes, employment or services?	The area provides a rural outlook for the occupants of the flats in The Locks development, Bromley Road, Fairfax Road, Lock View. It is an amenity area, well used by walkers, runners etc and visited by tourists.
Other	Designated as urban green space in RUDP and natural/semi natural green space in Open Space Assessment.

Appendices







Original proposed sites. – removed.

South Bog

Parcel of land between A650 and 3 Rise Locks

Junction of Sheriff Lane/Lode Pit Lane

The Grove, Crossflatts

Ghyll Wood

Cottingley Roundabout

Verges off Marion Street

Fields between Harold St and Longwood View, bounded by Keighley Rd and A650

Verges between Poplar House and Beckfoot School on Bradford Road

Gardens at Maple Court and Aire Valley Court.

Canary Drive – borders and verges Swan Estate, Gilstead.

Pathway between Canary Drive and Rothbart Gardens, Swan Estate, Gilstead

Green verge at Southway, Eldwick