

Skegness Neighbourhood Development Plan Local Green Spaces Assessment

The following table details the assessment of proposed Local Green Spaces against the criteria set out in paragraph 102 of the NPPF (2021), notably whether 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.

Site name	Publicly accessible?	Demonstrably special to community with respect to:					Local in character?	Comments	Does this site meet the NPPF criteria?
		Beauty	Historic significance	Recreational value	Tranquillity	Richness of wildlife			
1. Alma Avenue Play Park	Yes			Yes			Yes	This site is located to the south of Alma Avenue, Skegness. The site comprises a children's play area with 15 items of play equipment including fitness trial area, fenced off area with play equipment for 8-12-year olds, fenced off area with play equipment for younger children, a grass playing field and a number of trees. The site has one bin and two benches and is surrounded by wooden fencing. The area of the site is approximately 0.41 hectares. The site has	Yes

								significant recreational amenity value, is publicly accessible and is local in character.	
2. Winthorpe Play Park, Church Lane	Yes			Yes			Yes	This site is located to the south of Church Lane, Winthorpe. The site comprises a children's play area with 12 items of play equipment plus a multi-use games area and skate ramp. There is also a fenced off area with play equipment for younger children and two areas for older children, grass playing field and a number of trees. The site has one bin and two benches and is surrounded by wooden fencing. The size of the site is approximately 1 hectare. The site has significant recreational amenity value, is publicly accessible and is local in character.	Yes
3. Beresford Playing Field	Yes			Yes			Yes	This site is located at Beresford Avenue, Skegness. The site comprises a large grassed area lined with hedges on one side. The area is used for recreation and dog walking and is adjacent to Vine Walk, and can be accessed from Vine Walk, Beresford Avenue and Kingsthorpe Crescent. The site has two bins. The site has an approximate area of 1.08 hectares. The site has significant recreational amenity value, is publicly accessible and is local in character.	Yes
4. Green Space, off Roman Bank, near North Shore Golf Club	Yes			Yes			Yes	This site is an area of amenity open space, located to the east of Roman Bank, Skegness and adjacent to North Shore Golf Club. The site is grassed and bordered by trees. The site is approximately 0.13 hectares in size. The site includes a footpath and has recreational amenity value, is publicly accessible and is local in character.	Yes
5. West Way/Roman Bank	Yes			Yes			Yes	This is a triangular area of amenity open space	Yes

								situated at West Way and Roman Bank. The site is grassed and is bordered by trees and hedgerows. The area of the site is approximately 0.82 hectares. The site includes a footpath and has recreational amenity value, is publicly accessible and is local in character.	
6. Vine, Coronation and Croft Walk	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Vine and Coronation Walk is a 1,255m linear tree-lined walk with mature trees, leading from Richmond Drive in the west (entering at side of 61 Richmond Drive opposite Richmond Caravan Park) to Drummond Road in the east (entering between 104 and 106 Drummond Road). A 329m spur (Croft Walk) passes south halfway down Vine Walk through the car park of the Vine Hotel to Seacroft Drive. The main footpath is tarmac although the spur south of the Vine Hotel is unmade. Vine Walk has six bins and benches which the Town Council already maintain. Coronation Walk has two bins. The site has significant recreational amenity, beauty and wildlife value, is publicly accessible and is local in character.	Yes
7. King George V Walk	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	King George V Walk is a 1,400m linear tree-lined walk running northwards from Burgh Road, starting alongside the western edge of Elizabeth Grove opposite Skegness Retail Park. At 900m along the path, where the path turns left, a short link path to the right of 300m brings you out to West Way Triangle on Roman Bank. At the end of the walk a public footpath across fields of 280m links to Church Lane at the western edge of Winthorpe by the Church and Public House. The walk comprises 500m of tarmac path along with trees, hedges and dykes. The site has three bins and five benches. The site has significant recreational amenity,	Yes

								beauty and wildlife value, is publicly accessible and is local in character.	
8. Skegness Esplanade and Tower Gardens	Yes		Yes	Yes			No	Skegness Esplanade and Tower Gardens are also recognised as important areas of open space within the town. However, these are already afforded a significant level of protection through their designation as a Registered Historic Park and Garden and Grade II listing. These sites are therefore not considered to meet the NPPF definition of being 'local in character' and have not been included in the list of designated Local Green Spaces.	No