

# **Matter 11 – Local Green Space**

**March 2018**

**Local Plan Examination Matter Statement**



*Oadby and Wigston  
Borough Council*

**Issue: Whether the designation of Local Green Space is justified having regard to the criteria set out in paragraph 77 of the NPPF?**

**Q1. Are the relevant criteria satisfied?**

Council response;

1. Yes. The Council considers that the relevant criteria set out in paragraph 77 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) has been satisfied in the assessment of proposed Local Green Space designations. The Council's submission document LP9/09, Local Green Space Assessment, sets out the methodology and assumptions that the Council utilised for assessing proposed Local Green Space designations, including the criteria from paragraph 77 of the NPPF that each site was assessed against. The Local Green Space Assessment includes an individual assessment of each site against the NPPF criteria and justification whether the Council considered it appropriate to recommend or not to recommend each proposed site as Local Green Space designation.

2. All of the proposed Local Green Space designations that are proposed for designation on the Council's Submission Adopted Policies Map (LP6/02) are considered to; be in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves; be demonstrably special by the community group that submitted the space for designation; and, not be an extensive tract of land.

3. In addition, contrary to representations made during the Pre-Submission Local Plan consultation, the Council is not aware of any of the proposed designation sites being residential garden land nor is the Council aware of any of the proposed designations having extant planning permission for development on the proposed designation site.

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**Q2. In response to comments from Highcroft Householders Association the Council includes that it would not object to the two pathways into Highcroft Park, designated as a Local Green Space, to be included in the designation. Is the Council proposing this as a modification to the plan?**

Council response;

4. Yes. The Council considers that it would be appropriate to include the two pathways within the Local Green Space designation. The Council would propose a modification to the Plan to include the two pathways into Highcroft Park in the designation for Local Green Space designation.

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