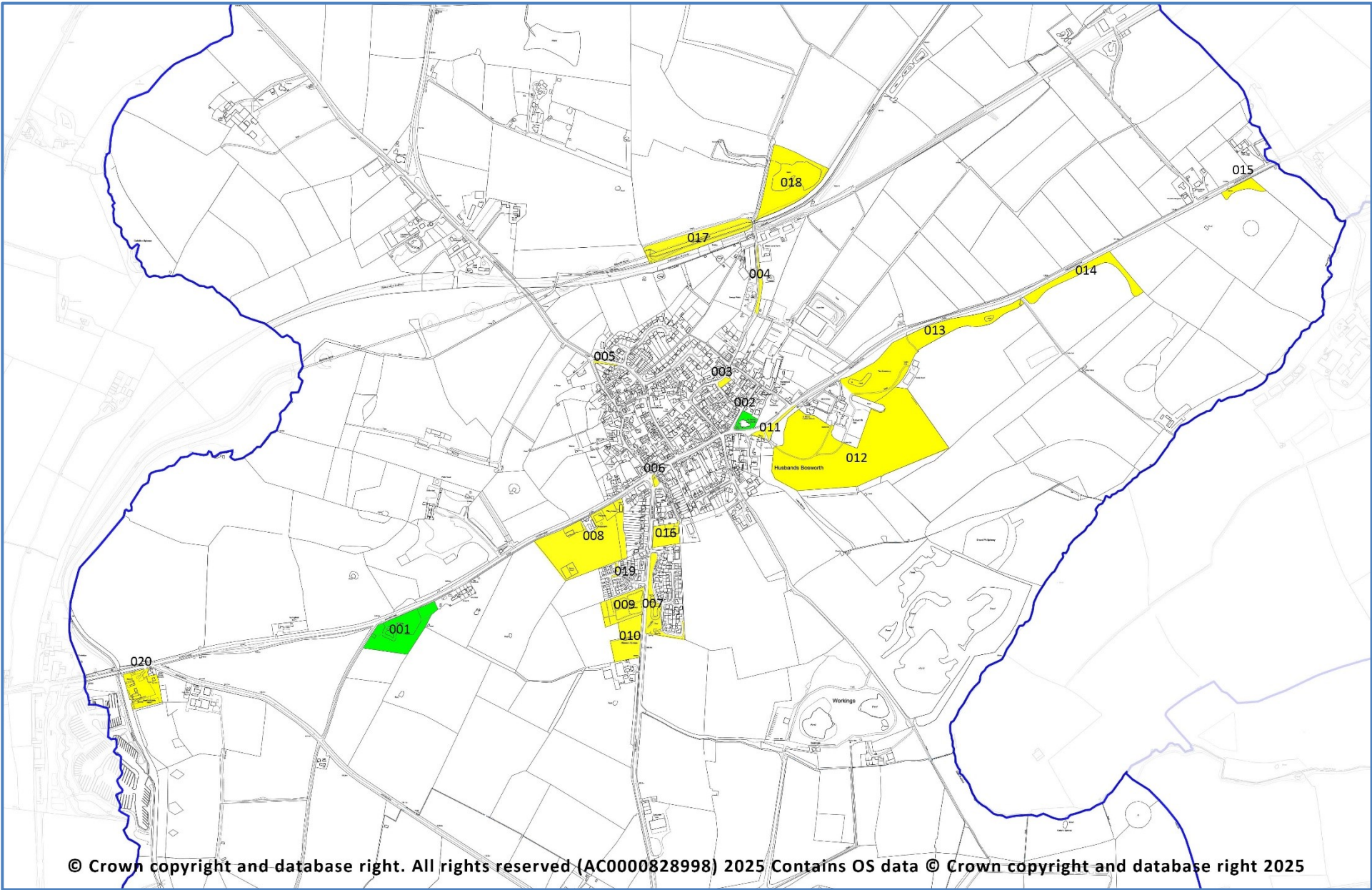


INVENTORY OF LOCAL GREEN SPACES and OPEN SPACE, SPORT & RECREATION SITES

Scoring criteria and system

Criterion (NPPF 2024)	Score range			Notes
LOCAL IN CHARACTER , not an extensive tract of land	N	Y		Yes is essential for LGS designation. The site should be a single bounded parcel of land, or a small, coherent group (evidence-based, with shared characteristics and in single ownership).
SPECIAL TO COMMUNITY:				
PROXIMITY	0	1-4	5	5 = an open space <u>within</u> a settlement 4 = adjacent to the settlement boundary (Limit to Development line when defined) 3, 2, 1 = successively farther from settlement 0 = most distant from main settlement(s)
BEAUTY	0	1-2	3	Subjective, relative (give justification); use consultation 'dot' map results for views. Only the most attractive land in the Plan Area should qualify. Most should get 0 or 1.
TRANQUILLITY	0	1	2	Tranquillity should be judged as a real experience; just being 'a long way from anywhere' doesn't make a site tranquil. Most sites should get 0. 2 will probably be limited to e.g. churchyards, well-designed memorial gardens, managed semi-natural habitats where birdsong is louder than traffic noise.
RECREATIONAL VALUE	0	1-4	5	5, 4 = Public Open Spaces designed for sport and recreation or as facilities for children and young people 3 = Membership sport facilities (tennis, bowls, etc.). Very well used park or other recreational space with full or comprehensive public access. Managed wildlife site with public access. Semi-natural parkland (trees, grass) with public footpaths and no restriction on access. 2 = Paddock or grazing field with 1 or more public footpaths, e.g. well-used for dog-walking, traditional sledging field 1 = arable farmland with public footpath but no other access. 0 = private property with no public recreational value or access
LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE:				
HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE	0	1-4	5	Historical significance can only apply to sites and features that can be seen (to be appreciated) or are proven buried archaeological features. NB cumulative: more features/designations = higher score. 5 = statutory site, includes or comprises Scheduled monument, Listed Building, feature or structure. National Trust or English Heritage site 4 = site with features in the County <i>Historic Environment Record</i> , Historic England <i>PastScape</i> records. <i>Registered park or garden</i> . Well-preserved <i>ridge and furrow</i> . 3, 2 = site includes feature, earthworks or building with known local historic environment significance – history includes 20 th century. Fainter <i>ridge and furrow</i> 1 = site of local oral or recorded history importance, no actual structure 0 = No evidence for historical environment significance
RICHNESS OF WILDLIFE (BIODIVERSITY); GEOLOGY	0	1-4	5	Protection of habitats and species, in compliance with EU Directives and English legislation, at the local level of individual land parcels. NB cumulative: more features/species = higher score. 5 = Statutory site, includes or comprises SSSI (biodiversity or geology) or other national or European designation. 4 = County Wildlife Trust, etc. <i>nature reserve</i> , <i>Country Park</i> with importance for biodiversity, etc. 3 – site with National, county and local biodiversity features, e.g. <i>Priority Habitats</i> , occurrence of one or more <i>Species of Conservation Concern</i> (use national or county Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP) Species lists), mapped Gt Crested newt ponds, bat roosts and foraging areas. County or local site designations e.g. <i>Local Wildlife Site</i> (LWS), Regionally Important Geological Site (RIGS), <i>Site of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC)</i> , <i>Local Nature Reserve</i> , <i>Community WildSpace</i> , etc. 2 = other site of known local biodiversity importance not recorded elsewhere with e.g. BAP species, species-rich hedgerows, watercourse, pond 1 = (parish background level), moderate or potential wildlife value 0 = no evidence for natural environment significance
Maximum possible score			25	

1. Location map



2. Inventory

COLOUR-CODING KEY

Local Green Space

Important Open Space (OSSR)

Historical significance

Wildlife significance

Statutory (historic) protection

Ridge and furrow

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				BEAUTY 0 - 3	TRANQUIL 0 - 2	REC. VALUE 0 - 5	HISTORY 0 - 5	WILDLIFE 0 - 5	
001	Millennium wood/spinney Created by donation to celebrate the Millennium, currently maintained by volunteers (Husbands Bosworth Millennium Woodland Trust) Hedge & fence boundaries. Short walk from village. Site of clay pits, kilns and brickworks, late 18thC to early 20thC (Ordnance Survey maps); Leics HER MLE22001. NatureSpot site and (part) Priority Habitat, deciduous woodland (Natural England). HDC OSSR as Brickfield Spinney, Kilworth Road; <i>Woodland</i> in Local Plan 2011-31 Appendix H and on policies map 2019. Local Green Space in Made Husbands Bosworth Neighbourhood Plan (2018-31) Deciduous woodland, hedgerows & ground cover for wildlife including many bird species, squirrels, weasels & water voles. Multiple bird nest boxes provided as well as nesting opportunities in trees & hedges, pond with stream input/output which is frequently inhabited by waterfowl. High local biodiversity (fungi, flowering plants, grasses, invertebrates, mammals, birds, etc.). Country-style pathways & platform bridge provide good walking access. Benches & table for picnics. Quiet, calm space, despite proximity to A4304.	Y	3	3	2	3	3	3	17
002	All Saints churchyard The setting for Grade II* Listed Building (1360720); and site of War Memorial (Listed 1061519) and registered (Imperial War Museum)	Y	5	3	2	3	5	3	21

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	Local Green Space in Made Husbands Bosworth Neighbourhood Plan (2018-31) HDC OSSR as Husbands Bosworth Churchyard in Local Plan 2011-31 Appendix H and on policies map 2019. <i>Burial Ground</i> . Walled and hedged boundaries. Church dates back to the 14 th Century with a recently serviced and refurbished clock on the bell tower providing timely information to the village. The burial ground contains graves dating back several centuries; Swithland slate headstones with ornate 18 th C engraving. The War Memorial is a focal point for the annual village Remembrance Service and details those parishioners who gave their lives for their country in conflicts. The site provides a place of quiet reflection and contemplation for all who visit								
003	Old (Lower) Green An open, tranquil space with a mature tree giving shade. The bench provides a resting space and a second Community Notice Board replicates information shown at the top of the village HDC OSSR (unnamed) in Local Plan 2011-31 Appendix H and on policies map 2019. <i>Amenity Open Space</i>	Y	5	2	1	3	1	1	13
004	Broad Lane verges and hedgerows Pleasant green areas and varied hedgerows with small bird and mammal species for nesting and foraging. OSSR, this Plan <i>Amenity Open Space</i> and <i>Natural Greenspace</i>	N	3	2	1	3	1	1	11
005	Bell Lane/ Berridges Lane verge Small open space at entrance to the village from the north, with display planter giving colour with plants. OSSR, this Plan <i>Amenity Open Space</i> and <i>Natural Greenspace</i>	N	5	1	1	3	1	1	12
006	Upper Green A central point of the village; provides a grassed community area with restful benches and a Notice Board used by many to promote interesting events both within the village and other nearby locations. There is a defibrillator available which has been used to great success on a number of occasions. Mature trees provide shade and transient wildlife shelter HDC OSSR as Village Green 2 in Local Plan 2011-31 Appendix H and on policies map 2019. <i>Amenity Open Space</i>	N	5	1	1	3	1	1	12
007	Marsh Drive / Townsend Close Open Space This area forms a green buffer between Marsh Drive/Townend Close access road and the A5199. The grassed area is maintained by Meadfleet working on behalf of all residents up to the Leicestershire highway boundary on A5199. There are numerous trees, further saplings have been planted and Meadfleet plans to add 1sqm of wildflower meadow per household, and to plant additional bulbs & further hedgerow over time. This area gives a spacious feel whilst creating a safer area for children to play independently when old enough to do so unsupervised. There is an attenuation pond which attracts waterfowl and the rough grass areas provide nesting areas for small animal wildlife. OSSR, this Plan. Also HDC OSSR in emerging Local Plan 2021-41 and on draft policies map 2025. <i>Amenity Open Space</i>	N	5	2	1	3	1	1	15
008	Sports field, pavilion, tennis court & play area and skatepark Hedge & railing boundaries, large parking zone including newly surfaced disabled spaces. The sports fields provide multi-age training and playing areas for parishioners and visitors alike. The newly extended pavilion provides facilities for numerous interest groups such as Art & Historical Societies, Yoga groups etc as well as attracting one-off events for example birthday parties or business meetings. The hedgerows provide good nesting opportunities for a variety of birds and small wildlife. The additional dog walk	Y	5	2	1	5	1	2	16

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	to the eastern boundary of the sports field provides a popular, safe, self-contained area for those with animals to exercise. The playground has a good selection of play apparatus including disability-friendly items, all of which are well maintained and safety inspected as required, together with a ‘skate park’ for older children. The Beacon plays an important historical part in all national commemorative celebrations including Silver, Golden & Platinum Jubilees as well as memorial occasions such as VE Battle of Britain anniversary days and has extensive views over the countryside. HDC OSSR as Playing Fields, Kilworth Road in Local Plan 2011-31 Appendix H and on policies map 2019. <i>Sports facility</i>; also <i>Recreation Ground</i> and <i>Facilities for children and young people</i>								
009	Cemetery Historically significant burial ground dating from 1858 as both an extension of the parish churchyard and for non-conformists (Nonconformism, led by John Wesley and others, was strong in Leicestershire). There were originally two chapels of rest to cater for the two systems. Brick & decorative metal walls and fences to east, walls & hedges to remaining boundaries. Being a short distance from both extant churches (All Saints and St Mary’s) enables funeral attendees to process on foot if desired, adequate parking for funeral cars. Small Chapel style building situated centrally enhances overall appearance. Graves date back to mid 19th century, are well maintained and attract frequent visitors. The rural setting overlooking fields to the rear & benches strategically placed provide a tranquil setting for contemplation and reflection for the bereaved. Trees, shrubs, ornamental beds, rough and mown grass. Provides habitat for a number of species including birds, bats, other mammals. HDC OSSR as Cemetery, Welford Road in Local Plan 2011-31 Appendix H and on policies map 2019. <i>Burial Ground</i>	Y	4	3	2	5	3	2	19
010	Husbands Bosworth allotments The allotments are a valuable community asset, used by fee-paying parishioners to cultivate vegetables & flowers, giving an opportunity to eat well & healthily. According to keen growers, there is an abundance of wildlife also benefitting from the produce. Comprises two HDC OSSRs as Allotments, Welford Road (Leics CC) and Allotments 1 Welford Road (Trustees) in Local Plan 2011-31 Appendix H and on policies map 2019.	Y	4	2	1	5	1	2	15
011	Bosworth Hall entrance verges Grass triangle and verges on either side of the entrance drive, with the lodge and entrance gates behind. A significant historic landscape feature providing a ‘gateway’ to the village from the east.)	N	4	2	1	2	2	1	12
012	Bosworth Hall parkland HDC OSSR as Parkland Bosworth Hall in Local Plan 2011-31 Appendix H and on policies map 2019. <i>Natural greenspace</i>	Y	3	3	2	1	2	2	13
013	Theddingworth Road Woodland Roadside Belt 3 HDC OSSR as Woodland Roadside Belt, Theddingworth Road 3 in Local Plan 2011-31 Appendix H and on policies map 2019. <i>Natural greenspace</i>	Y	3			2			
014	Theddingworth Road Woodland Roadside Belt 2 HDC OSSR as Woodland Roadside Belt, Theddingworth Road 2 in Local Plan 2011-31 Appendix H and on policies map 2019. <i>Natural greenspace</i>	Y	2			2			
015	Theddingworth Road Woodland Roadside Belt 1 HDC OSSR as Woodland Roadside Belt, Theddingworth Road in Local Plan 2011-31 Appendix H and on policies map 2019. <i>Natural greenspace</i>	Y	1			2			

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016	Primary School field, play area, etc. Sited close to the village centre and adjacent to the main school building with quiet, safe access at the rear. Hedge & railing boundaries with numerous, mature mixed trees, large grassed play area and woodland class area providing superb nature environment for all ages 5-11 to learn outside. Home to a good variety of wild birds and small animals such as squirrels and field mice. HDC OSSR as School Playing Field in Local Plan 2011-31 Appendix H and on policies map 2019. <i>School; Facilities for children and young people; sport facilities</i>	Y	5	1	0	3	1	1	11
017	Canal cutting Providing good access from the village on A5199 to the canal, the cutting is bounded by mature trees & hedging. Home to a widely sized variety of wildlife from Muntjac deer to field mice, the cutting makes a lovely walk. The canal is also well populated with birds such as the elusive kingfisher and mammals including squirrels, badgers and otters. HDC OSSR as Woodland Belt by Canal in Local Plan 2011-31 Appendix H and on policies map 2019. <i>Natural greenspace.</i> Conservation Area. Priority Habitat deciduous woodland	Y	3	3	2	3	3	3	18
018	Fishing Lake A pleasant, short walk from the village centre, the facility is bounded by hedgerows. The lake provides recreational fishing and a sheep grazing area, with a large volume of migratory birds visiting on a regular basis as well as resident native species. The hedgerows provide excellent nesting opportunities. HDC OSSR as Fishing Lake Husbands Bosworth in Local Plan 2011-31 Appendix H and on policies map 2019. <i>Sports; Natural greenspace.</i> NB boundary redefined to include lakeside grass etc., for access by anglers	Y	2	2	2	3	1	2	12
019	Kemp Drive open spaces Two small amenity open spaces; mown grass. OSSR, this Plan <i>Amenity open space</i>	Y	5	1	0	3	1	1	11
020	Kilworth Marina (part in Husbands Bosworth) HDC OSSR as Kilworth Marina on HDC Local Plan policies map 2019 but not in Local Plan 2011-31 Appendix H.	Y	1	2	1	3	2	2	11