

Local Green Space Consultation – June 2015 Response Form

Your name / organisation:

Winterbourne Parish Council

Address and contact details (please include phone number & email address):

[Redacted address and contact details]

In order to be able to proceed with the protection of the green spaces that have been put forward for designation as Local Green Spaces we must have for each space:

- details of the ownership of the land (if at all possible)
- a map of the boundaries
- an explanation of how it meets the criteria for designation and
- specific justification for why it is demonstrably special to the local community

Therefore please first check the List of Nominated Local Green Spaces and maps which can be viewed at: www.southglos.gov.uk/lgsd15 which identifies where further information on any of the above is still needed and then provide us with the additional information where necessary using this form:

PLEASE USE A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH GREEN SPACE

Name and code of nominated space:

Please clearly reference the individual Local Green Space's code provided in both the List of nominated Local Green Spaces and the maps, available from www.southglos.gov.uk/lgsd15

LGSD1153 – Glebe Allotments off Beacon Lane, Winterbourne.

A) Ownership of Local Green Space

Please indicate if you or your organisation are the landowner:

NO

If you are not the landowner can you provide their name and contact details?

Winterbourne Glebe Allotments, [Redacted]

Is the land owner aware of the proposal to designate their land?

YES

(If you are not the landowner please now continue to Section B)

If you are the landowner, are you in support of or objecting to the proposals to designate this land?

Not Applicable

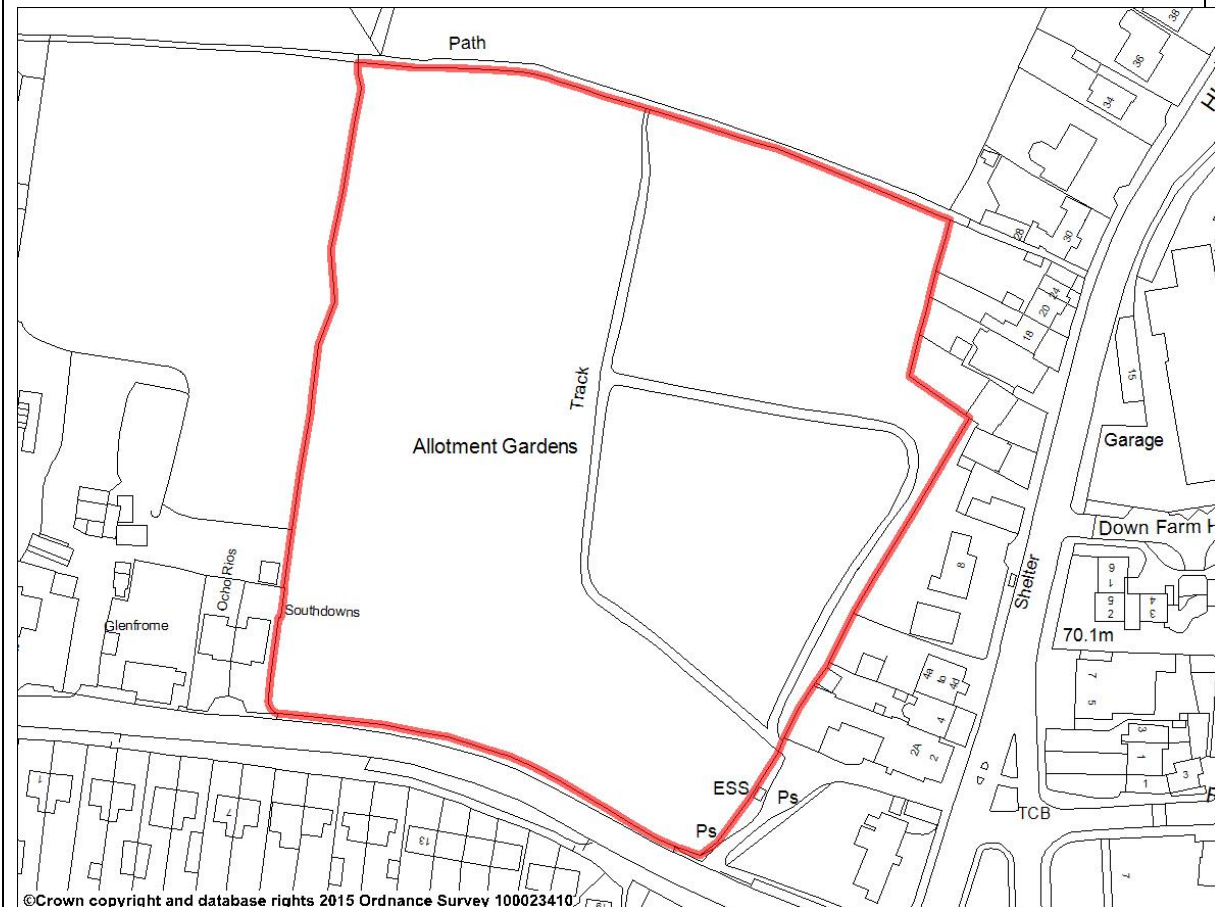
If you are objecting to the proposals to designate your land, what are your reasons? (please refer to criteria in sections C and D below in particular)

Not Applicable

Map of proposed Local Green Space

PLEASE PROVIDE A MAP WHICH SHOWS THE BOUNDARIES OF THE PROPOSED LOCAL GREEN SPACE
 If not previously provided. Please see List of Nominated Local Green Spaces and Mapped, nominated Local Green Spaces to check if this is required. www.southglos.gov.uk/lgsd15

Green Space Code	Name of Nominated Space	Ward
LGSD1153	Glebe Allotments off Beacon Lane - Winterbourne	Winterbourne Ward



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IF YOU ARE THE LANDOWNER PLEASE PROVIDE A MAP OF YOUR OWNERSHIP

This is particularly important if this differs from the area proposed for designation e.g. if you own only part of the proposed Local Green Space, see the Mapped, nominated Local Green Spaces: www.southglos.gov.uk/lgsd15

B) Does the space meet the national criteria for designation as a Local Green Space?

Please provide a response to each of the following 5 criteria - where information has not already been provided or is incorrect in the List of nominated Local Green Spaces. (Table 1 of the Local Green Space Designation Updated Guidance Note (June 2015) www.southglos.gov.uk/lgsd15 provides further details of the criteria and guidance on what sort of information you may wish to submit):

1. Is the proposed space subject to a planning permission for development? (See Criteria 1 in the guidance note)

NO

2. Is the proposed space the subject of an allocation, or proposal to allocate, for development in the Local Plan? (See Criteria 2 in the guidance note)

NO

3. Is the proposed space an extensive tract of land and is it local in character? (See Criteria 3 in the guidance note)

The proposed space is not an extensive tract of land. It is less than 19 hectares in size. The site is within the village and due to it's position and history is local in character

4. Is the space within close proximity to the community it serves? (See Criteria 4 in the guidance note)

YES.

The space is within the village of Winterbourne, is a few yards from the main road, is easily accessible to all and most of the local users walk to the site.

5. Is the specific space demonstrably special to the local community? e.g. not a blanket designation (see Criteria 5 in the guidance note)

YES. This specific space is demonstrably special to our community as shown below. This is not a blanket designation.

C) Why is the space of particular local significance?

Please use the following response box to provide specific evidence as to how at least one of the following criteria is relevant:

Please state which criterion, 6-11, are relevant to the nominated space. Table 2 of the Local Green Space Designation Updated Guidance Note (June 2015) www.southglos.gov.uk/lgsd15 provides further details on the criteria and guidance on what sort of information you may wish to submit to justify how the space is of particular local significance and demonstrably special to the community that use it:

6. The proposed space is of particular local significance because of its beauty
7. The proposed space is of particular local significance because of its historic significance
8. The proposed space is of particular local significance because of its recreational value
9. The proposed space is of particular local significance because of its tranquillity
10. The proposed space is of particular local significance because of its richness of wildlife
11. The proposed space is of particular local significance because of another reason not covered by criteria 6-10.

LGSD1153 – Glebe Allotments off Beacon Lane, Winterbourne meets the following criteria:

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The land is used for growing food, and sustains local families. There are ancient hedgerows, wildlife, wildflowers, and ancient drystone walls making the area significant for its beauty.

The land is owned by the Church of England, and was designated as allotments in 1879. The vicar at the time was keen to provide land for the poor of the village especially those living on neighbouring cottages to cultivate for fresh fruit and vegetables. The land is administered by a management committee and is fully subscribed. The longest serving user has worked on the site since 1968.

The land is cultivated by 150 plot holders, with some of the 120 allotments being shared between families.

Allotment users are actively involved in a variety of related activities in the parish. Harvest festivals are celebrated at the local church in recognition of the produce grown since 1879. Users are active charitable fundraisers, historically money has been given to projects in poverty stricken areas.

The allotments are a source of recreation for many. They are cultivated by families who are land poor and unable to grow at home due to a lack of garden. The allotments are a safe place in which to express creativity for people with mental health difficulties.

The land is an oasis of calm in a very busy urban environment. The main road through the village is no longer a quiet country lane and the allotments provide a feeling of calm and tranquility and space for reflection, inspired by views towards the Bishops Palace, St Michaels Church and The Medieval Barn.

The land supports a wide and diverse range of wildlife and habitats,

The land provides opportunities for local young children and young adults, some of whom have learning difficulties and receive disability living allowance. The local schools use the allotments for various projects as do the secondary school children for their Duke of Edinburgh award in relation to growing vegetables and volunteering.

Please return completed forms by close of business on 30th July 2015:

By e-mail: PlanningLDF@southglos.gov.uk

By post: Strategic Planning Policy and Specialist Advice Team, South Gloucestershire Council, Environment and Community Services Department, PO Box 299, Civic Centre, High Street, Kingswood, Bristol, BS15 0DR.

Viewing documents

The consultation documents can be viewed from: www.southglos.gov.uk/lgsd15

The consultation documents are also available to view online at:

- South Gloucestershire Libraries (please refer to www.southglos.gov.uk/libraries for locations and opening times); and
- The Council's One-Stop Shops, from 8.45am - 5pm Mondays to Wednesdays and 8.45am - 4.30pm Thursdays and Fridays, in the following locations:
 - Thornbury Library, St Mary Street, Thornbury, BS35 2AA
 - Yate, Kennedy Way, BS37 4DQ (access via West Walk)
 - Kingswood Civic Centre, High Street, Kingswood, BS15 9TR
 - Patchway Hub, Rodway Road, Patchway, BS34 5PE

Data protection

The information collected as part this consultation will also be used by the Council in accordance with the data protection principles in the Data Protection Act 1998. The purposes for collecting this data are: to assist in plan making; and to contact you, if necessary, regarding the planning consultation process. Some of the data may be made public as it will form part of the evidence base used to inform the creation of planning policy documents. The above purposes may require public disclosure of any data received on the response form, in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000.