



Sherborne St. John Parish Council

NOTICE
SHERBORNE ST. JOHN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN REVIEW
INITIAL CONSULTATION ON DESIGNATION OF LOCAL GREENSPACES

07 August 2023

Neighbourhood Plan Review

Sherborne St John Parish Council is in the process of reviewing its Neighbourhood Plan which was adopted in May 2017.

The existing Neighbourhood Plan contains a rural character planning policy (SSJ Policy 2) which seeks amongst other things to retain and protect existing open spaces in the village.

As part of the review, the Parish Council are proposing additional Local Green Space designations for open spaces which are of a particular local significance and value to the community. Local Green Space designations are afforded the same level of protection as Green Belt status.

Selection of these additional Local Green Spaces has been based upon their proximity to the village, being special to the local community (because of their amenities, appearance, and wildlife/habitat), and being local in character/not an extensive tract of land.

Maps of locations are published below.

What are the implications of designating Local Green Spaces?

Local Green Space designations are aimed at preserving and enhancing the natural environment and contributing to the overall vitality of the parish. This, in turn, may restrict potential development opportunities for adjacent landowners i.e., they may not be allowed to build or make significant changes to their land unless they can demonstrate the exceptional circumstances as required by the policy (which are the same tests as land within the Green Belt). These exceptional circumstances seek to protect the ecological, historical, or aesthetic values of the land.

The Parish Council are approaching all landowners affected by these proposed designations, inviting them to comment.

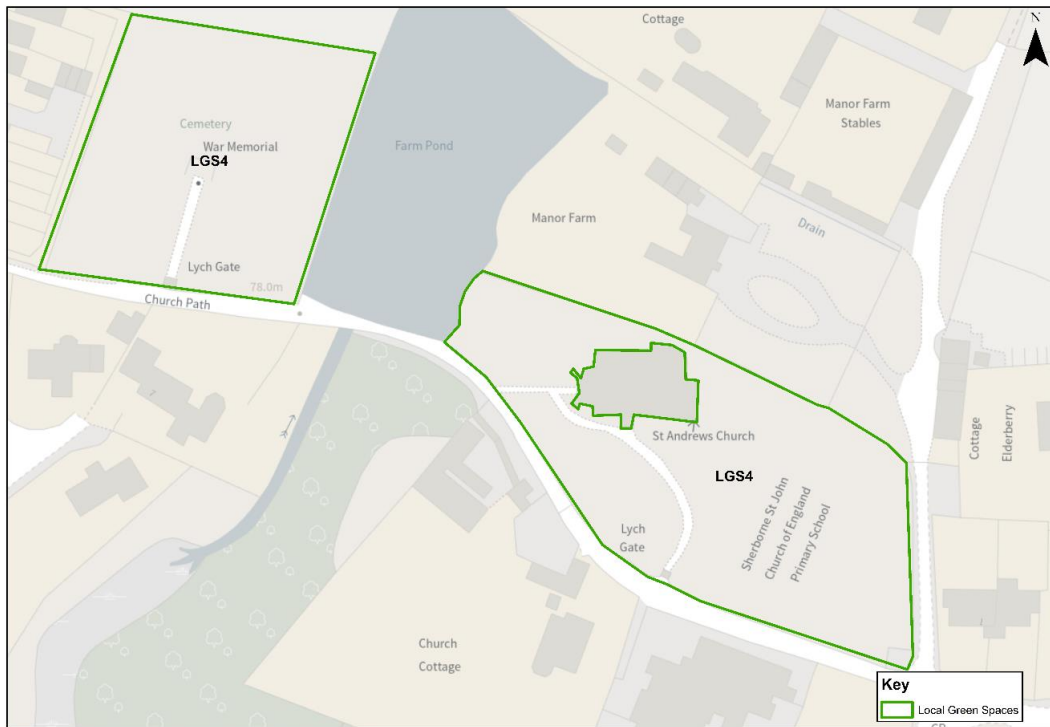
There will be more formal consultation and opportunity to comment on this proposal at the Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 14 stage (September 2023 onwards).

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Local Green Space 4:

St Andrews Churchyard and Cemetery, St Andrews Church Parochial Church Council (PCC),
Sherborne St John



Local Green Space 5: Land to the north of Cranesfield, Sherborne St. John, Basingstoke



Local Green Space 6: Land to the North of Manor Farm and Vyne Road



Local Green Space 7: Field and public footpath between Mill House and pedestrian bridge Road



Local Green Space 8: Vidlers Field



Local Greenspace 10: Village Pond and SINC area

