



**West
Northamptonshire
Council**

Local Green Space Nomination Form January 2026

What is this form for?

Do you have a local open space that is of special importance to your community? If so, you can use this form to nominate it for designation as a “Local Green Space” in West Northamptonshire’s new Local Plan.

This is the second time that nominations are being invited through the West Northamptonshire Local Plan Regulation 18 consultation. An earlier Regulation 18 consultation was carried out in 2024; however, as a further Regulation 18 stage is being undertaken, the Council is inviting new nominations at this time. If you previously nominated a green open space that was not taken forward, you are welcome to respond to the Council’s decisions on the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) criteria (see Local Green Space Background Paper Appendix A) and quote the reference number of the space listed in the first column of Appendix A.

There are currently 290 Local Green Spaces across West Northamptonshire which have been designated through the current Daventry or South Northamptonshire Local Plans, or through a neighbourhood plan. You can check if the open space you are thinking of is already designated or proposed to be designated by looking at Appendix B of the Consultation Draft Local Plan and the policies map.

What are Local Green Spaces?

Local Green Spaces (LGS) are green spaces that are of special importance to local communities. They must meet a specific set of criteria and if the Council agrees, they will be designated and protected from development through the Local Plan.

Local Green Spaces need to meet the following criteria which are set out in Para 107 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF). The Local Green Space must be:

- In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves;
- 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
- Local in character and not an extensive tract of land.

Potential LGSs can include village greens, parks, areas of woodland, recreation grounds, allotments and urban green spaces. They can be areas that are easily accessible and open to the public, however, they may not be publicly accessible if the reason for their special importance is for wildlife, historic significance or beauty.

LGSs don’t need to be in public ownership, however, if they are privately owned, the owner should be notified to give them the opportunity to comment during the Local Plan process.

Successful LGS designations must be capable of lasting beyond the end of the plan period, in other words, beyond 2043.

How do I nominate a Local Green Space?

Please answer the questions on the following pages, providing as much information as possible to support your nomination. You must include a map of the nominated space for it to be considered.

If you wish to nominate more than one green space, you will need to complete another form.

This is a statutory consultation where we are unable to accept anonymous comments. Therefore, in order to submit a response, you must ensure that the "Your Contact Details" required fields are complete.

Please note that in accordance with legislation and guidance all comments received will be summarised and made available for the public to view. Where applicable, the name of an organisation or group may be referenced; individual names and personal information will not be published and will remain confidential.

The information you provide will only be used for this consultation.

If you do not agree, we cannot consider your nomination. View our [Planning Policy and Specialist Services Privacy Notice](https://www.westnorthants.gov.uk/service-privacy-notice/planning-and-climate-change-policy-privacy-notice) at <https://www.westnorthants.gov.uk/service-privacy-notice/planning-and-climate-change-policy-privacy-notice>

All Green Space Nominations need to be submitted by 23:59 Thursday 26 March 2026.

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Your contact details

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Please provide the following:

1. Name (Required)	Click or tap here to enter text.
2. Address (Required)	Click or tap here to enter text.
3. Postcode	Click or tap here to enter text.
4. Email address (Required)	Click or tap here to enter text.
5. Organisation/group, parish or town council name	Click or tap here to enter text.
6. Your role	Click or tap here to enter text.
7. Name of the green space	Click or tap here to enter text.
8. Address of the green space	Click or tap here to enter text.
9. Describe the green space and how it is used by the community	Click or tap here to enter text.
10. How accessible is the local green space to the community? By accessible we mean if it can accommodate wheelchair access and pushchairs, if there is a car park, roads or footpath over or close to it.	Click or tap here to enter text.
11. Is the green space: (tick one)	<input type="checkbox"/> Open to the public all the time <input type="checkbox"/> Only open to the public at certain times
12. Name of the owner of the green space	Click or tap here to enter text. <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
13. Contact details of the land owner	Email address: Click or tap here to enter text. Phone number: Click or tap here to enter text. <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
14. Have you informed the owner of the green space about the nomination) if applicable)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable
15. If the green space is already covered by a statutory or local	Examples include asset of community value, village or town green, common land or local wildlife site. Click or tap here to enter text.

<p>designation, please provide the following details:</p>	
<p>16. Please provide details of how the nominated green space meets the three National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) criteria outlined in Section 107 as follows;</p>	<p>The Local Green Space designation should only be used where the green space is:</p> <p>a) in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves Click or tap here to enter text.</p> <p>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 Click or tap here to enter text.</p> <p>c) local in character and is not an extensive tract of land. Click or tap here to enter text.</p>
<p>17. Please provide the exact location of the green space including road names. You will need to provide a map with the boundary clearly marked</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> A map included</p>

Thank you for completing this Local Green Space Nomination Form. Please submit this form by 23:59 Thursday 26 March 2026.

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