

Examiner's clarifying questions

The following questions are primarily aimed at the parish council, but the district council may also respond if it wishes to.

Question 1

Policy 1 - Am I correct in assuming that the justification for a nine-dwelling ceiling in Part 2 of Policy 1 is based solely on the third bullet point of Local Plan Policy LP2(5)?

- a. Yes but supported by the fact that this policy continues into the current draft CLLP.
- b. Resident's comments from the questionnaire (Q2.4. pge 11) which can be found on our website, (www.leasinghamnp.co.uk) were overwhelmingly in favour of less than 10 homes per site.
- c. NKDC comments and planning decisions have limited applications to 9 dwellings per site.

NKDC Comment: The current Local Plan places a threshold of up to 9 dwellings in Policy LP2 and in the submitted Local Plan a similar threshold is provided for in Policy S4 although it does allow for neighbourhood plans to allocate larger sites.

Question 2

Policy 7 – I have been unable to find any background material which explains how the nine areas of land to be designated Local Green Space in Policy 7 satisfy the terms of NPPF paragraph 102. Does such documentation exist, and if so, please can it be provided to me?

- a. All designated spaces are within the footprint of the village.
- b. They can all be justified as follows: we have an aged population who need places to sit and meet others within short distances of home thus avoiding loneliness and giving opportunities for outdoor exercise. The Parish Council have plans to site benches in these areas to facilitate this. These spaces also provide areas for children to play outside their own gardens, but close to home in relative safety, thereby promoting increasing independence.
We have a variety of wildlife within the village, some of which are protected/ priority species. See Greater Lincolnshire Nature Partnership (www.glnp.org.uk) Examples of species are Kingfishers, Red Kites. Water vole, Otters and Bats. Peregrine Falcons are nesting in the church tower. Green spaces provided habitats for these.
- c. None of the Green spaces are extensive tracts of land.
- d. Please find attached the Green Space Questionnaire and Responses received from the parishioners in March 2018. This can also be found on our website.

LEASINGHAM & ROXHOLM NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Shaping the future of our community

What are Green Spaces?

Green spaces are those formal and informal areas that you enjoy visiting or seeing.

Below are several questions we would like answers to and would be grateful if you would spend a few moments completing this questionnaire in order that gaps in our draft Neighbourhood Plan can be addressed.

1 Are green spaces important to you? Yes No

If yes, please select all that are important to you

2 Open spaces within the village Yes No

3 Public Rights of Way Yes No

4 How often do you visit them? Daily Weekly Monthly Yearly

5 Living within the open countryside Yes No

6 Tree and woodland landscape Yes No

7 Areas within the parish that are special to you Yes No

If your answer to question 7 above is yes please say what, where, and why below.

GREEN SPACES QUESTIONNAIRE – WRITTEN RESPONSES

Q No	COMMENTS
1	Rookery Lane Meadow Lane Open space adjacent to church
2	All public rights of way especially those between A15 and A153 and along the river Slea
3	All areas within the village are important, that's why I moved here. We need our countryside and open spaces
4	All public areas within the village are important to me, I walk every day and welcome the freedom to do so.
5	Area between A15 and Church View Line of trees along the stream -important? Vegetation and if cleared could increase the flow of water in a potential flooding area
6	Area between A15 and Church View/ School – visual amenity – could be used as a village amenity.
7	The Duke of Wellington building and garden
10	The entrance to the village between the Manor and the Hall Manor farm The School The church
11	Areas where animals (horses, donkeys, hens) are kept and graze Open space next to church St Andrews Crescent Playing fields Views of fields/trees
13	Maintaining the Playing fields for future generations is vital
14	The playing fields are a vital asset to the village and should be registered ASAP
15	St Andrews Crescent because I live there and choose it for the aspect. All green spaces enhance the appearance of, and life within the village.
16	Would not like to lose St Johns green space as used as a walkway and play area.
17	St Johns green space which is used daily by children and dog walkers – a very quiet area – I live in Flaxwell Way so would not like building on this land.
18	Leasingham Hall – Front area which is designated an Important Space in the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan – keep it.
19	All green spaces All footpaths The Manor The Hall The Church Playing Fields
20	I walk around the village, I enjoy all the green spaces
22	Churchyard – peaceful – memories of the departed Many of the footpaths through the village -love to hear “sounds of the countryside” – birds singing – and see wildflowers and wildlife.

GREEN SPACES QUESTIONNAIRE - QUESTION 7 WRITTEN RESPONSES SHEET 1

QUEST' AIRE NUMBER	COMMENT
1	Rookery Lane
	Meadow Lane
	Open space next to Church
2	All Public Rights of Way especially those between A15 and A153 and along River Slea
3	All areas of the village are important. That's why I moved here.
	We need to keep our countryside and open spaces
4	All areas within the village are important to me. I walk everyday and welcome the freedom to do so
5	Area between A15 and Church View
	Line of trees along the stream - important ? Vegetation and if cleared could increase the flow of water in a potential flooding area.
	Trees along the A15 as shields village from traffic noise.
6	Area between A15 and Church View / School - visual amenity - could be used as a village amenity.
	Need to consider Tree Protection Order on trees along stream - riverside vegetation. Any development would increase flood risk to an area already designated as a flood risk.
7	The Duke of Wellington building and garden
10	The entrance to the village between the Manor and the Hall.
	The Farm.
	The Church.
	The School.
11	Areas where animals (horses, donkeys, hens) are kept and graze.
	Green by the Church.
	St Andrews Crescent
	Playing fields
	Views of fields / trees
13	Maintaining the playing fields for future generations is vital.
14	The playing fields are a vital asset to the village and should be registered ASAP.
15	St Andrews Crescenr because I live there and chose it for the open aspect.
	All green spaces enhance the appearance of, and life within, the village.
16	Would not like to lose St John's green space as used as a walk way and play area, etc.
	St John's green space which is used daily by children and dog walkers - a very quiet area - live in Flaxwell
17	Way so would not like building on this land
	Leasingham Hall - front area which is designated an Important Local Space in the Central Lincs Local
18	Plan - keep it!
19	All green spaces
	All footpaths
	The Manor
	The Hall
	The Church
	Playing fields
20	I walk each day around village. I enjoy all the green spaces
22	Churchyard - peaceful - memorials to the departed.
	Many of the footpaths through the village - love to hear 'sounds of the countryside' - birds singing - and see any wildflowers and wildlife.