- Gardening and pruning

- Educational and recreational activities

Tranquillity

The park provides a tranquil space for the local community to go and relax.

Local in Character and not an extensive tract of land

The site is not an extensive tract of land.

In terms of local character, please see below an extract from representations made by the 'Friends of Sambourne Woodland':

"Stambourne Woods is an area of woodland running from Church Road downhill to Auckland Road, flanked by the large Victorian villas of Fox Hill and the midcentury modern Stambourne Estate. Once Church Commission land and private gardens, the Woods were purchased by the Council in 1962, and opened as a green link between Westow Park and South Norwood Lakes in 1984. The Woods contain many native species including remnants of the Great North Wood, alongside an exotic collection of tree specimens planted around the time of the Great Exhibition."

Recommendation

An assessment value of Low, Medium or High has been allocated against each of the three tests as defined in the NPPF to determine whether the site should be assigned as a Local Green Space designation.

The following conclusions have been drawn based on the information collated within this evaluation form.

Proximity to the community: Medium

Demonstrably special to a local community: High

Local in character and not an extensive tract of land: High

Overall Value: High



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Information

Name and Address of Site

Temple Avenue Copse, CR0 8QA

Aerial Map



Source: Google.com

Council Description

The 1863-68 Ordnance Survey Plan of the area shows the copse as a very similar shape today in the middle of open fields, it may in fact have been left as a game cover. A stream ran around three sides of the copse and then flowed north to the ponds at Spring Park Farm and House, which is now the site of Millers Pond open space.

Sweet Chestnut, Oak and Sycamore grow in the woodland which has been kept clear of most undergrowth so that children can play.

Temple Avenue Copse is a small area of mixed woodland which was left by the developer of the surrounding estate between two houses and conveyed to the Council in 1934 as a public open space.

Source: Croydon Council website

Local Plan Designations



The site is allocated as 'Other Undesignated Open Space' (London Plan Policy 7.18) and as a 'Site of Nature Conservation Importance'.

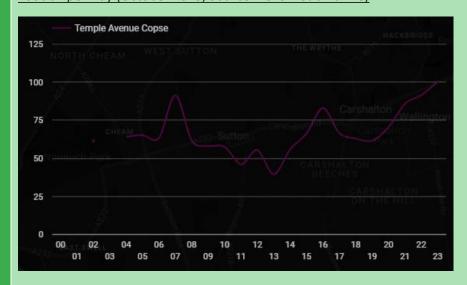
Source: Croydon Local Plan 2018, Proposals Map

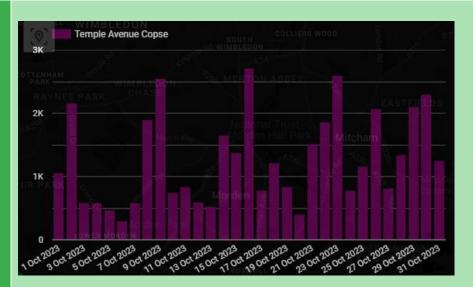
Proximity to the Community it serves

Using a range of data-sources, we consider below the proximity and accessibility of the park to its local community.

<u>Population within 1.0km (2023)</u> = 13,208 (Source: Experian AppLibrary software)

Footfall per Day (October 2023, Source: Yellow Submarine)



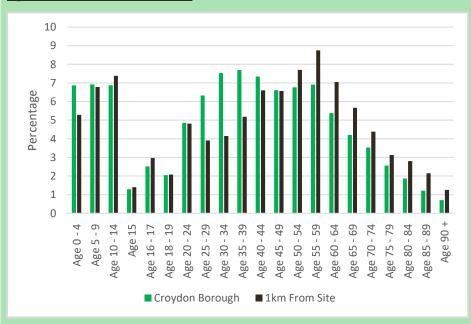


Of the 84 sites surveyed, Temple Avenue Copse is the **42**th busiest in terms of footfall over the October 2023 survey period with an average attraction of **1,281 visitors a day**. It has a peak visitation time of around **11pm**.

<u>Average Dwell-time Data (Source: YellowSubmarine)</u>

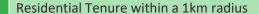
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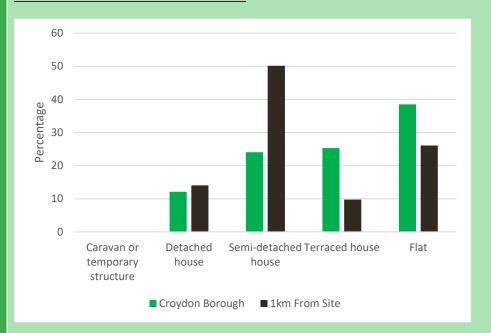
Age Profile within a 1km radius



The age profile of the surrounding population has higher than Croydon-average elderly population.

(Source: Experian AppLibrary software)





There are an above Croydon-average number of larger-sized dwellings in proximity to the park, thereby pointing towards sizable amounts of private amenity space locally.

(Source: Experian AppLibrary software)

PTAL Rating

The site is PTAL 1b rated.

PTAL6 is the highest level of accessibility by a range of means of transport, whilst PTAL0 is the lowest level of accessibility by a range of means of transport.

Source: TfL website, WebCAT tool

Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significant, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value, tranquillity, or richness of wildlife

DEFRA Classification

The park is classified as 'Broadleaved, Mixed and Yew Woodland'.

The park is listed as being within a Woodland Improvement area.

Under the Priority Habitat Inventory, the site is classified as 'Deciduous Woodland'.

Under the National Forest inventory, the site is classified as 'Broadleaved'.

The park is listed under the English Woodland Grant Scheme.

Source: DEFRA, Magic Map website

The site has no special wildlife designations under the DFRA guidelines. However, local evidence from the Spring Park Residents Association show there

to be a variety of birds including woodpeckers, as well as squirrels, foxes, badgers, and bats.

Historic Significance

There are no Listed Buildings on or adjacent to the Park, and no local knowledge regarding heritage on the site has been provided. However, please refer to the Council Description included within this document for some background on the park's history.

Community Importance

In collaboration with Croydon Borough Council, a local Friends group and the Spring Park Residents Association are responsible for maintaining and monitoring the park.

A local walking group called 'Walking for Health' as well as other local residents within Shirley regularly use the park.

Sports Facilities

There are no sports facilities. However, local knowledge from the Spring Park Residents Association has shown that the park is also used for numerous informal recreational activities, including dog walking, walking, bird watching, children's play.

Tranquillity

Please see below and extract from representations made by the Spring Park Residents Association:

"Site is tranquil as it is surrounded by houses and a residential road."

Local in Character and not an extensive tract of land

The site is not an extensive tract of land.

In terms of local character, please see below an extract from representations made by the Spring Park Residents Association:

"Temple Avenue Copse can be seen from the road and surrounding houses."

Recommendation

An assessment value of Low, Medium or High has been allocated against each of the three tests as defined in the NPPF to determine whether the site should be assigned as a Local Green Space designation.

The following conclusions have been drawn based on the information collated within this evaluation form.

Proximity to the community: Medium

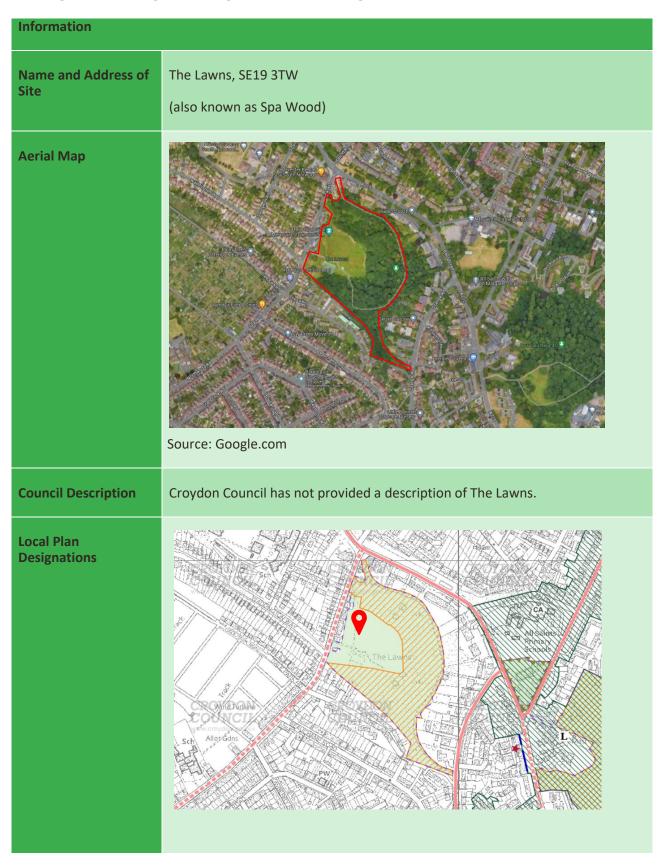
Demonstrably special to a local community: Medium

Local in character and not an extensive tract of land: Low

Overall Value: Medium



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The site is allocated as:

- 'Other Undesignated Open Space' (London Plan Policy 7.18)
- 'Site of Nature Conservation Importance'
- 'Locally Listed Historic Parks and Garden'

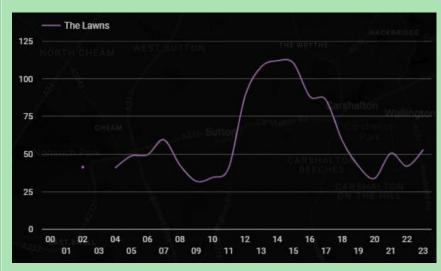
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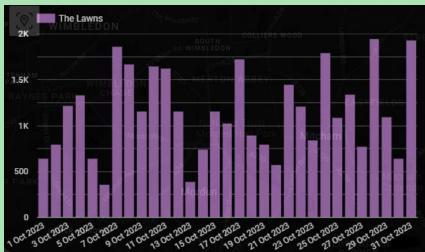
Proximity to the Community it serves

Using a range of data-sources, we consider below the proximity and accessibility of the park to its local community.

<u>Population within 1.0km (2023)</u> = 22,429 (Source: Experian AppLibrary software)

Footfall per Day (October 2023, Source: Yellow Submarine)





Of the 84 sites surveyed, The Lawns is the **56**th busiest in terms of footfall over the October 2023 survey period with an average attraction of **1,146 visitors a day**. It has a peak visitation time of between **1pm-3pm**.

<u>Average Dwell-time Data (Source: YellowSubmarine)</u>

The average dwell-time for the survey period in October 2023 was **15 minutes**.

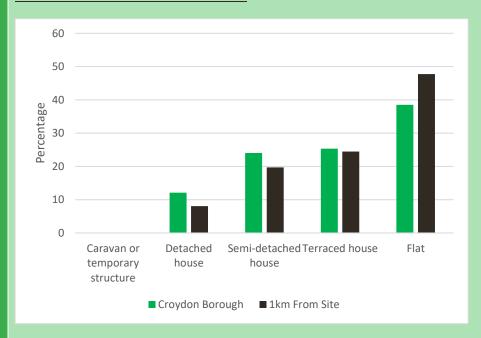
Age Profile within a 1km radius



The site has an age-profile which is very close to the Croydon average.

(Source: Experian AppLibrary software)

Residential Tenure within a 1km radius



There are an above Croydon-average number of smaller-sized dwellings in proximity to the park, thereby pointing towards a requirement for publicly available amenity space.

(Source: Experian AppLibrary software)

PTAL Rating

The majority of the site is PTAL 2 rated, with a small portion within the south-eastern extent of the site being PTAL 1b rated.

PTAL6 is the highest level of accessibility by a range of means of transport, whilst PTAL0 is the lowest level of accessibility by a range of means of transport.

Source: TfL website, WebCAT tool

Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significant, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value, tranquillity, or richness of wildlife

DEFRA Classification

The park is classified as 'Acid, Calcareous, Neutral Grassland' and 'Broadleaved, Mixed and Yew Woodland'.

Under the Priority Habitat Inventory the site is partially classified as 'Deciduous Woodland'.

Under the National Forest Inventory the site is partially classified as 'Broadleaved'.

The park is listed under the English Woodland Grant Scheme.

The site is identified as partially containing habitat for the Yellow Wagtail bird.

Source: DEFRA, Magic Map website

Historic Significance

The park is a Locally Listed Historic Parks and Garden under the Croydon Local Plan 2018.

There are no Listed Buildings within the park. However, there is a Class II Listed Building adjacent to the park adjoining its north-west boundary, being the Tivoli Lodge.

Community Importance

The dedicated community group called 'Friends of Spa Wood' is volunteer-run and assists in the management and upkeep of the park. The Friends group also organise community activities and events in the park, including:

- Litter Picking
- Interactive Nature Trail
- Organised walking
- Community Events, including the Great North Woods Festival
- The Conservation Volunteers working days

	- The Wildlife Trust Working days
	- Educational uses
	- Tree planting
	Sports Facilities
	The Sanderstead Recreation Ground contains a multi-games court, as well as a number of informal recreation facilities including:
	- Children's playground
	- A cleared area for informal sports and community activities
	- Walking and exercise
	<u>Tranquillity</u>
	The park is known noted for its nature and wildlife value, which provides residents a place to relax and be in nature.
Local in Character and	The site is not an extensive tract of land.
not an extensive tract of land	The park is an important asset to the community, being central for community events and community engagement.
Recommendation	An assessment value of Low, Medium or High has been allocated against each of the three tests as defined in the NPPF to determine whether the site should be assigned as a Local Green Space designation.
	The following conclusions have been drawn based on the information collated within this evaluation form.
	Proximity to the community: Medium
	Demonstrably special to a local community: High
	Local in character and not an extensive tract of land: Medium
	Overall Value: Medium



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Information Name and Address of Wettern Tree Garden, CR2 ONN Site **Aerial Map** Source: Google.com **Council Description** Purley Beeches is a unique collection of trees and shrubs that was initially laid out by Mr Eric Frank Wettern. The garden was conveyed to the Corporation in 1965 by way of a Gift to Trustees for the benefit of the public. As one of the Trustees Mr Wettern was able to maintain a keen interest in the gardens that he had started to lay out in 1919. The gardens are made up of a number of small gardens including the Delphinium Border and the Rose Trellis Garden which was built in 1967. A footpath leads from Wettern Tree Garden to the adjacent park Purley Beeches which contains many large Beech trees. Source: Croydon Council website **Local Plan Designations**

The site is allocated as 'Other Undesignated Open Space' (London Plan Policy 7.18), and is a 'Locally Listed Historic Parks and Garden'.

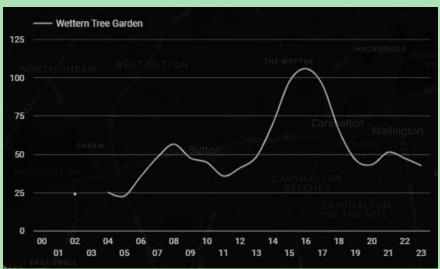
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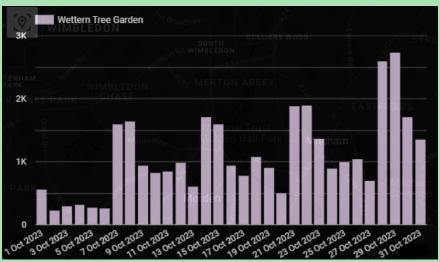
Proximity to the Community it serves

Using a range of data-sources, we consider below the proximity and accessibility of the park to its local community.

<u>Population within 1.0km (2023)</u> = 11,666 (Source: Experian AppLibrary software)

Footfall per Day (October 2023, Source: Yellow Submarine)





Of the 84 sites surveyed, Wettern Tree Garden is the **59**th busiest in terms of footfall over the October 2023 survey period with an average attraction of **1,102 visitors a day**. It has a peak visitation time of between **3pm-5pm**.

Average Dwell-time Data (Source: YellowSubmarine)

The average dwell-time for the survey period in October 2023 was **15 minutes**.

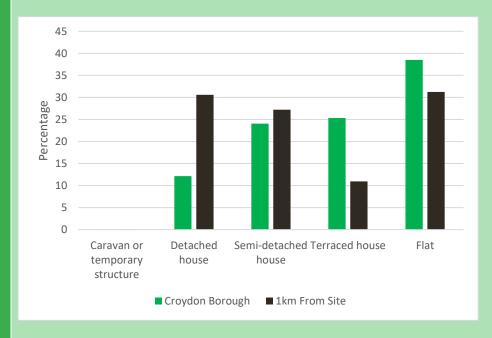
Age Profile within a 1km radius



The age profile of the surrounding population has higher than Croydon-average elderly population, with a lower-than-average younger population.

(Source: Experian AppLibrary software)

Residential Tenure within a 1km radius



There are an above Croydon-average number of larger-sized dwellings in proximity to the park, thereby pointing towards sizable amounts of private

amenity space locally.

(Source: Experian AppLibrary software)

PTAL Rating

The site is PTAL 2 rated.

PTAL6 is the highest level of accessibility by a range of means of transport, whilst PTAL0 is the lowest level of accessibility by a range of means of transport.

Source: TfL website, WebCAT tool

Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significant, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value, tranquillity, or richness of wildlife

DEFRA Classification

The park is classified as 'Broadleaved, Mixed and Yew Woodland.

Under the Priority Habitat Inventory the site is classified as 'Deciduous Woodland'.

Under the National Forest Inventory the site is classified as 'Broadleaved'.

The site is listed as a priority area for Countryside Stewardship measures addressing Brown Hairstreak habitat issues.

Source: DEFRA, Magic Map website

The site has no special wildlife designations under the DEFRA guidelines. However, local evidence from the 'Friends of Wettern Tree Garden' group show there to be a diversity of plant species.

Please see below an extract from representations made by the 'Friends of Wettern Tree Garden':

"The tree garden also has a variety of wildflowers.

Some of the notable species found in the Wettern Tree garden — Atlas Cedar, Maidenhair tree, Japanese Pagoda Tree, Indian Horse Chestnut, Black Mulberry, Bird Cherry, Corkscrew Hazel, Sea Buckthorn, Persian Ironwood, Osage Orange, Bhutan Pine, Serbian Spruce, Pyramidal Hornbeam, Wellingtonia, Coastal Redwood, Hop Hornbeam, Foxglove tree, Kentucky Coffee tree, Honey Locust, Cockspur Thorn, Judas Tree, Lawson's Cypress, Blue Colarado Spruce, Western Red Cedar."

Historic Significance

There are no Listed Buildings on or adjacent to the Park. However, the 'Friends of Wettern Tree Garden' group have provided an overview of the historic development of the park, as outlined in the below extract:

"The tree garden was created by Eric Wettern. He was born in 1980. His family moved from North London to Sanderstead in 1900. His grandfather has come to London from Norway in 1882 and founded a shipbroking business which also imported granite, ice and horseshoe nails from Scandinavia. The family

company moved to Croydon and at Wettern House carried on business as builders merchants.

Eric Wettern just before going to fight in the First World War bought a site for his tree garden in Purley Oaks Road, he started to lay it out when he returned from the war in 1919. His brother Herbert created the Rose Garden. The named the garden Roselands. It was changed to the Wettern Tree Garden in 1965 when Eric Wettern gar the garden to the London Borough of Croydon to be kept in perpetuity as an open space for the recreation and enjoyment of the public at large.

Eric Wettern planted many rare trees some of which he grew from seeds collected on his business trips to Europe and the United States. An example is the Osage Orange a very rare tree in Britain. In 1922 Eric Wettern grew one male and one female Osage Orange from the seed collected in the United States. Eric Wettern's Osage Orange produced fruit (like a convoluted tennis ball) in a climate which is thought to be far too cold. Some tree specimens were given to him and others came from nurseries. Not everything from his collection has survived but the survival of the trees he planted is due his skill as a gardener and the care he lavished on them in their early days. When handing over his garden to Croydon Council he said- "When I started the garden I knew nothing about trees and it has been very much a case of trial and error. I have spent most of my weekends for 47 years working on it. The Wettern family also spent many hours in the garden and tending the delphinium borders and the rose garden.

Over the years, trees have been replaced and a number of unusual trees planted. Commemorative trees to members of the Wettern family have been planted by the family in April 2019 and the Council itself donated and planted a Monkey Puzzle tree in memory of Joy Gadsby. Local Historian and Founder of the Friends of the Wettern Tre Garden. The Tree Garden continues to evolve. The two parallel delphinium beds bordered with Lavender are a glorious sight in June. They are without compare."

Community Importance

The park serves the community of Sanderstead, and is maintained by a dedicated group called 'Friends of Wettern Tree Garden'. Of note, the Rose Garden within Wettern Tree Garden is the venue for the annual summer show of the Sanderstead Horicultural Society hosted in June. The below extract from the Friends group provides an overview of the summer show and the importance it has for the community:

"The show is a major annual local event with plant and various charity stalls, children's entertainment and silver band. It is a delightful afternoon. What could be better than sitting at table complete with table clothes enjoying home-made scones and cakes while listening to dreamy music. It attracts visitors not only from the neighbourhood but from further afield."

Additionally, Working Parties are hosted on the first and second Saturdays of each month where volunteers partake in gardening to ensure the park is well maintained.

Sports Facilities

There are no sports facilities in the park. However, the park is used for

numerous recreational activities including picnics, treasure/scavenger hunts, hide and seek and at Easter time by the Cubs and Beavers for Easter Egg hunting.

And is also used by the Scouts, Cubs and Beavers organisations as a meeting place and for a number of their Activity Badges.

Tranquillity

Please see below and extract from representations made by the 'Friends of Wettern Tree Garden':

"The tree Garden is a favourite place for picnics. It is peaceful often with birds singing and sometimes the organ of St. Mary's church may be heard.

The Rose Garden is a haven of tranquillity and residents often from the flats across the road which have no gardens come just to sit there, read a book, admire the roses, watch butterflies and bees or parents and grandparents showing their children the delights of a lovely old garden. Visitors in their lunch breaks come to the Rose Garden to eat their sandwiches. The tree Garden and Purley Beeches com-plement each other. On visitor commented that the Rose Garden still has the feel of a mature private garden while another lady who was physically active but whose husband was not said it was a relief to be able to road around the Tree Garden and Purley Beeches knowing that her husband was safe and happy in the rose garden."

Local in Character and not an extensive tract of land

The site is not an extensive tract of land.

In terms of local character, please see below an extract from representations made by the 'Friends of Wettern Tree Garden':

"The tree garden with Purley Beeches is the only local open space available to residents living in flats in Wettern Close and Montana Close (opposite The Tree Garden), Theresa's Walk in Sanderstead hill, Bar-rads Hill in Beech Avenue and also blocks of flats in Sanderstead Road, Beechwood Road and West Hill. [...] It is recognised that everyone needs open spaces for relaxation and exercise. It is particularly important for children, they must have open spaces for play, if they do not, their development both physically and mentally is jeopardised. Furthermore, The Tree Garden like Purley Beeches is open all the year around.

The use of The Tree Garden by the local community of all ages has therefore become even more necessary as The Government Guidance dated 15th April 2020 urges people to "stay local", use open spaces near their home and avoid unnecessary travel."

Recommendation

An assessment value of Low, Medium or High has been allocated against each of the three tests as defined in the NPPF to determine whether the site should be assigned as a Local Green Space designation.

The following conclusions have been drawn based on the information collated within this evaluation form.

Proximity to the community: Medium

Demonstrably special to a local community: High

Local in character and not an extensive tract of land: High

Overall Value: High



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Information

Name and Address of Site

Woodcote Village Green, CR8 3HE

Aerial Map



Source: Google.com

Council Description

Woodcote Village Green was laid out in 1903 with whipping post, stocks and see-saw. A flock of geese was installed on the pond which was situated at the south west corner opposite the smithy and village inn, the inn was "a pub with no beer" but a blacksmith was installed in the smithy as estate blacksmith from 1904 till the out-break of war in 1914.

The green was situated at the south west corner of the Woodcote Model Village which was conceived by William Webb a chartered surveyor in Purley. In partnership with an estate agent Webb bought the Foxley Estate, 105 hectares of agricultural land near Purley and planned the Upper Woodcote Estate which was a totally new concept in estate development.

Webb reversed the usual order of development, preparing the plots several years before building commenced so that, when houses were eventually built, they had matured boundary hedges and well established ornamental trees.

The village blacksmith made ornamental gates for Rose Walk, Silver Lane and South Border although they were taken down during the Second World War when there was a shortage of metal. The smithy made most of the metalwork on the estate, including window sashes, and strap hinges. In addition he looked after the geese who were provided with a shed in the smithy's garden. Mr Webb felt that no smithy would be complete without a spreading chestnut tree so he had a 25 year old tree dug up and transplanted so that it shaded the door of the forge.

The village smithy, pond and geese have now gone although the village green still remains. During the summer Mr Webb invited parties of children down

from London to play on the green where tea was provided. A handbill dated June, 1907 announced the opening of the "Lord Roberts" Temperance Inn and General Stores by Mr Edwin Castleman. He stated, "Visitors to the Village can obtain at the Lord Roberts' a capital Tea, Luncheon or Light Refreshments at quite moderate charges, served in the quaint Elizabethan Coffee Room, or on the old goose green".

The houses around the green were intended for the occupation of workmen but although a few of Mr Webb's employees lived there, most cottages were empty. A reporter in the local newspaper wrote "In Woodcote Model Village the houses rejected by workmen at 10s. 0d. per week are now being clamoured for by bank managers, stockbrokers, and other at from £30 to £35 per annum. The policeman on duty at Purley tram terminus on a Sunday is getting a stiff arm by incessantly pointing up Foxley Lane to visitors who enquire the way to the Model Village".

Football and hockey were played on the green, but the ground was not level enough for cricket, so Webb set about organising the building of a Purley cricket clubhouse on the other side of Foxley Lane, just outside the estate.

Source: Croydon Council website

Local Plan Designations



The site is allocated as:

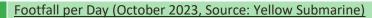
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- 'Conservation Area'
- 'Locally Listed Historic parks and Gardens'

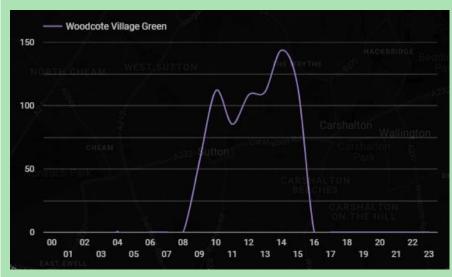
Source: Croydon Local Plan 2018, Proposals Map

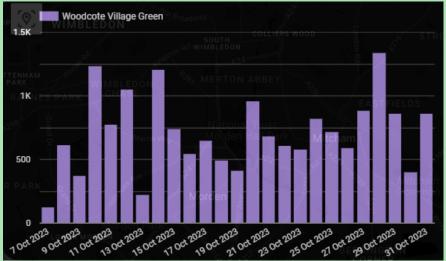
Proximity to the Community it serves

Using a range of data-sources, we consider below the proximity and accessibility of the park to its local community.

Population within 1.0km (2023) = 6,529 (Source: Experian AppLibrary software)



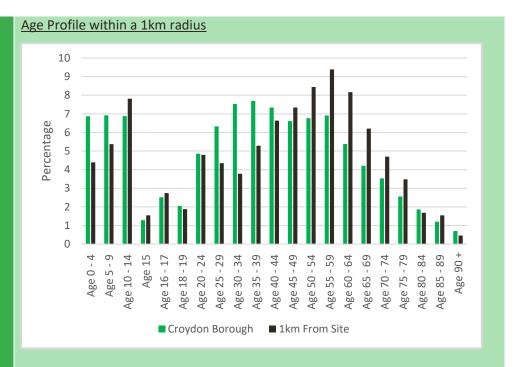




Of the 84 sites surveyed, Woodcote Village Green is the **80**rd busiest in terms of footfall over the October 2023 survey period with an average attraction of **573 visitors a day**. It has a peak visitation time at **2pm**.

<u>Average Dwell-time Data (Source: YellowSubmarine)</u>

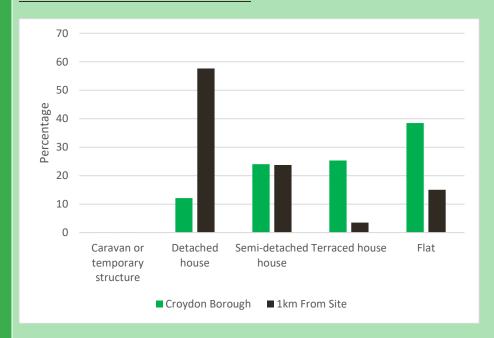
The average dwell-time for the survey period in October 2023 was **15 minutes**.



The age profile of the surrounding population has higher than Croydon-average elderly population, with a lower-than-average working age population.

(Source: Experian AppLibrary software)

Residential Tenure within a 1km radius



There are an above Croydon-average number of larger-sized dwellings in proximity to the park, thereby pointing towards sizable amounts of private amenity space locally.

(Source: Experian AppLibrary software)

PTAL Rating

The site is part PTAL 1a rated to its northern and PTAL 1b to its southern extent.

PTAL6 is the highest level of accessibility by a range of means of transport, whilst PTAL0 is the lowest level of accessibility by a range of means of transport.

Source: TfL website, WebCAT tool

Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular significant, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value, tranquillity, or richness of wildlife

DEFRA Classification

The park is classified as 'Acid, Calcareous, Neutral Grassland'.

The site is listed as a priority area for Countryside Stewardship measures addressing Brown Hairstreak and Lapwing habitat issues.

The park is within a Nitrate Vulnerable Zone.

The site has no special wildlife designations under the DFRA guidelines.

Source: DEFRA, Magic Map website

Historic Significance

There are no Listed Buildings within the site. However, a Grade II Listed Building is located adjacent to the site's southern boundary, being the Woodcote War Memorial.

In addition, local knowledge provided by Moira Fraser on behalf of Webb Estate Limited describes the entire green as being a war memorial where remembrance services are held. Fraser also noted that the green formed part of the first 'Garden First' estate in the UK. Please refer to the below extracts from Frazer:

"The entire green is a war memorial. Annual Remembrance Day parade and service. The remembrance Sunday services are held at Upper Woodcote Village Green since the late 1940s with regularly over 250 attending the annual service. The St Marks Purley Brownies, Scouts Cubs etc are all in attendance as are the local police and other service Clubs as well as the various residents associations."

"The Green was laid out together with the Upper Woodcote Model Village in 1903 as a precursor to the development of the surrounding land as the Webb Estate, the first "Garden First" estate in the UK. The Green is thus significant in terms of town and country planning and landscaping."

Community Importance

Local knowledge provided by Moira Fraser on behalf of Webb Estate Limited outlines the importance that the park has for the community's memorial events and education for children. Please refer to the below extract provided by Frazer:

"The annual Remembrance Sunday Parade has taken place on the green for as

long as I can remember, perhaps 10 years but could be more. It is attended by Brownies, Guides, Rainbows, Scouts and Beavers. School Children from Cumnor House School for Girls and Boys, Laleham Lea and St David's also attend along with over one hundred local residents. School children and members of each group lay a wreath at the memorial site, we sing and remember those lost from our own area. If the memorial site and green was compromised I truly believe younger members of the community would not have an opportunity learn about war or reflect in such a way that makes it real for them."

Additionally, working parties are held on the third Saturday of each month (except in July and September), to ensure the Green is well maintained and cared for.

A village fair is also held on the Village Green.

Sports Facilities

There are no sports facilities. However, local knowledge provided by Moira Fraser on behalf of Webb Estate Limited outlines that the park is used for informal recreational activities, such as:

- Informal sports (excluding ball-sports)
- Walking and exercise
- Children's play
- Picnics
- Cycling

Tranquillity

The park offers a green space for the community to relax.

Local in Character and not an extensive tract of land

The site is not an extensive tract of land.

In terms of local character, please see below an extract from representations made by Moira Fraser on behalf of Webb Estate Limited:

"The Green is very local in character. It was laid out as part of Upper Woodcote model village and the Webb Estate and was and is an integral part of that development. The Green was designed specifically by William Webb as the central part of the Model Village. It is therefore unique, and the only open space on the Estate."

Recommendation

An assessment value of Low, Medium or High has been allocated against each of the three tests as defined in the NPPF to determine whether the site should be assigned as a Local Green Space designation.

The following conclusions have been drawn based on the information collated within this evaluation form.

Proximity to the community: Low

Demonstrably special to a local community: High

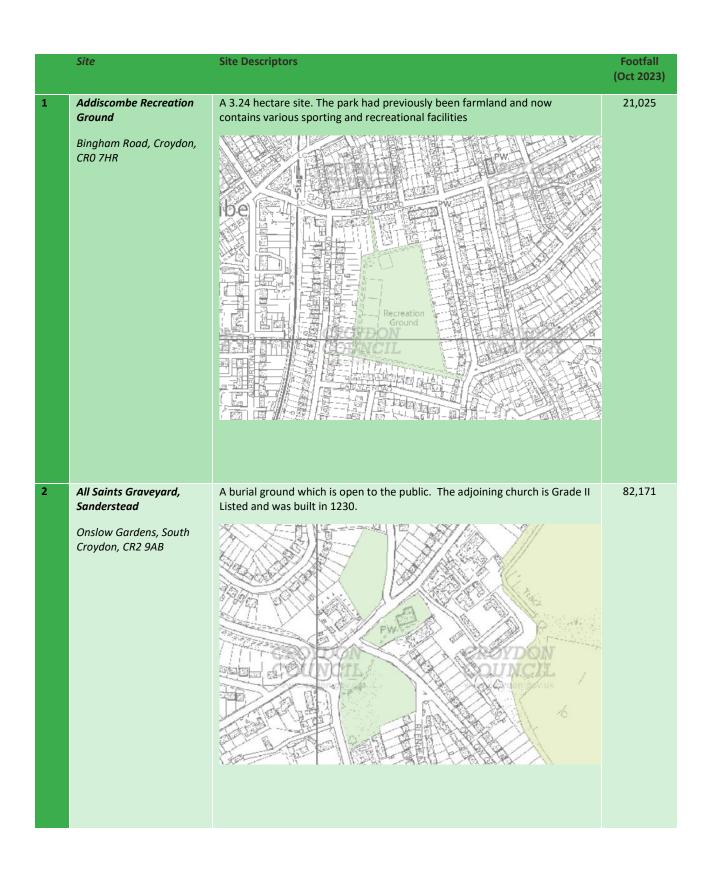
Local in character and not an extensive tract of land: High

Overall Value: Medium

Appendix B – Important Green Spaces - Site Descriptions

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3 All Saints with St
Margarets Churchyard,
Upper Norwood

Church Road, London, SE19 3EP A 0.6 hectare burial ground in a park setting, surrounding the All Saints Church. The Church is a Grade II Listed Building. The site also contains a War Memorial (Grade II Listed Building) and a Monument to Vice Admiral Robert Fitzroy (Grade II Listed Building).



4 Allder Way Playground

Allder Way, South Croydon, CR2 6JZ

A 0.04 hectare fenced children's playground.



18,467

82,172

Apsley Road Playground

Apsley Road, London, SE25 4XS A 0.1 hectare children's playground. Previously, there had been an air-raid shelter at the rear of the site but this was demolished in 1973.



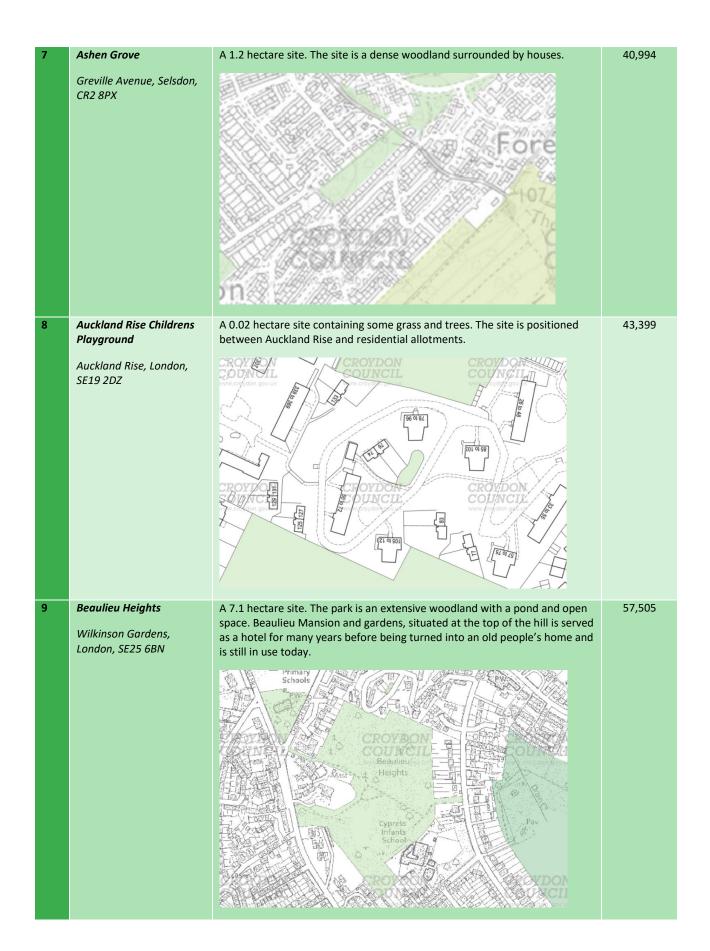
Ashburton Park

Tenterdon Road, Croydon, CRO 6NN A 7.5 hectare site. The park used to have its own mansion but this was demolished in the 1920's and the site was used as a putting green. The park was once a venue for the Croydon Summer Show. Nowadays the park has a children's playground, bowling green, netball/basketball courts, tennis courts and a petanque terrain.

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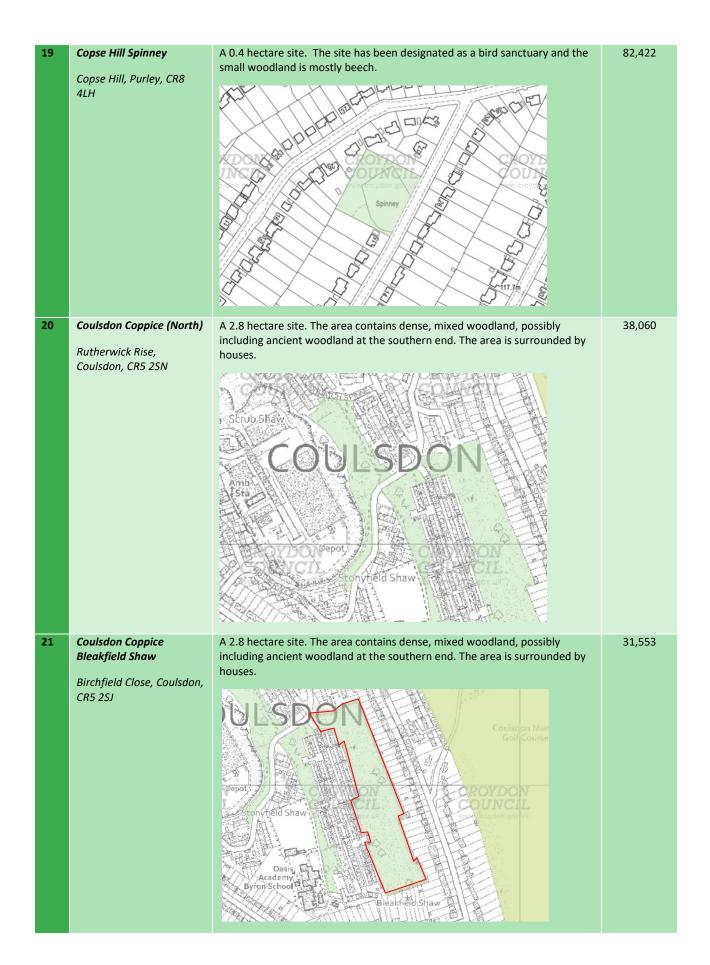




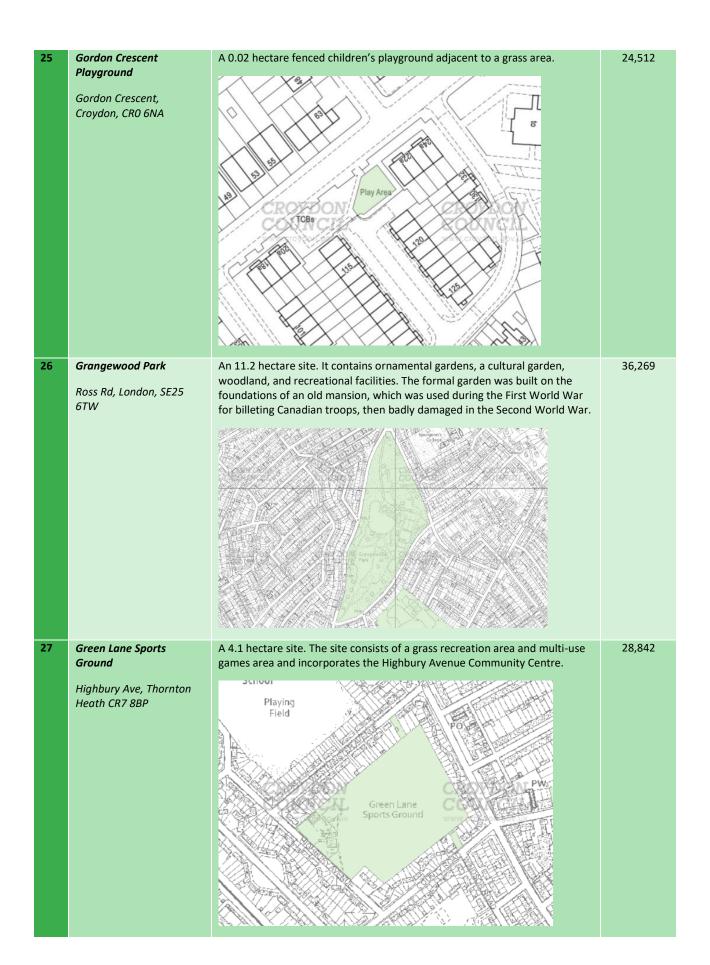
10 Beulah Hill Pond A 0.6 hectare site. The pond is a small secluded area beside the busy Beulah 42,555 Hill Road. It was previously a watering place for horses and cattle. Beulah HIII, London, SE19 3HW **Boulogne Road** 11 A 0.2 hectare site. The site contains a children's playground. The playground 33,193 is adjacent to Whitehorse Road Recreation Ground which has an ornamental **Playground** garden and a large field for informal games. Boulogne Road, Croydon, CRO 2XG Bourne Park A 3.5 hectare site. The park contains a children's playground and a grass 12 30,987 area as well as some trees towards the periphery. It lies in a narrow strip of Bourne Park Close, Kenley, land between the busy Godstone Road and the Railway line from Kenley to CR8 5LB Whyteleafe.

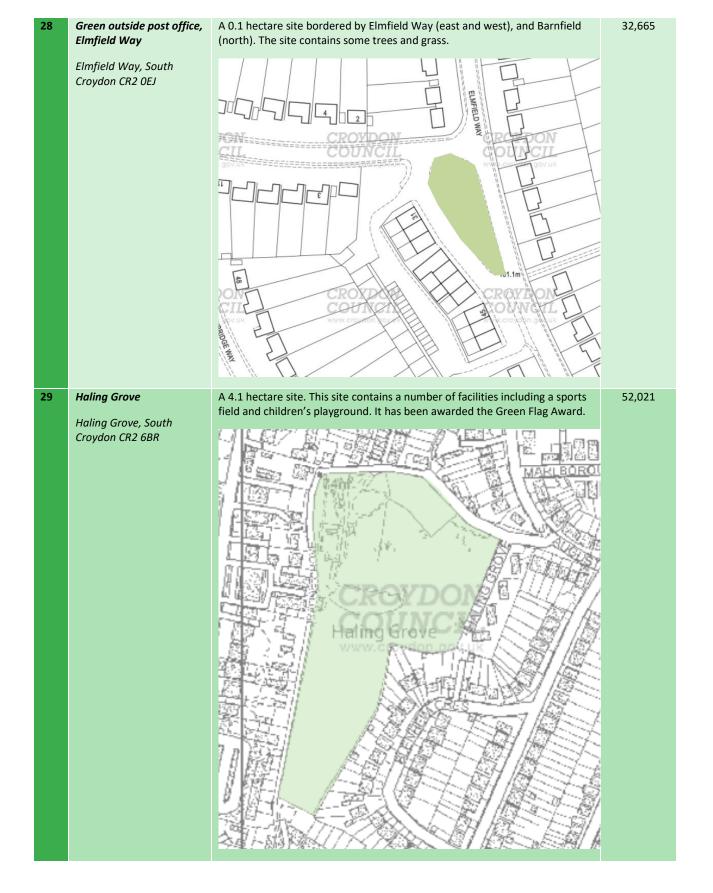
13	Brickfields Meadow Christine Drive, Croydon, CRO 6YA	A 4.37 hectare site. This is the site of the former Woodside brickworks which came to the council as a planning gain in two phases over two years in the early 1990's. The area contains grassland and woodland, as well as a pond and recreation areas. **Brickfield** Woodside	19,980
14	Canterbury Road Recreation Ground Canterbury Road, Croydon, CRO 3HA	A 1.8 hectare site. The site contains a children's playground, sports pitch, and a community centre. The sports pitch has been recently resurfaced with redgra and floodlit.	65,559
15	Castle Hill Avenue Playground	A 0.2 hectare site with a partially fenced playground. The site is adjacent to an open space suitable for informal recreational activities.	43,190
	Castle Hill Avenue, New Addington, CRO OTJ	99	

16 **Chaldon Way Gardens** A 0.2 hectare ornamental gardens with a shelter. The site is located adjacent 45,746 to Coulsdon Memorial Ground. The site hosts annual bedding displays. Marlpit Lane, Coulsdon, CR5 2NB 17 College Green (also A 0.8 hectare ornamental gardens and ponds, positioned between Croydon 56,064 known as Fairfield College and Fairfield Halls. The site is being redesigned as part of a new Gardens) Cultural Quarter in the centre of Croydon. Park Lane, Croydon, CRO 1JN 18 **Convent Wood** A 3.8 hectare site. The area is a small area of ancient woodland. The woods 15,394 are not accessible to the public except by appointment with the Sisters of Hermitage Road, London, Our Lady of Fidelity. Additionally, the New School use part of the woods as a SE19 3JS classroom. The wood is home to a range of British wildlife species. Fidelis



22 **Dartnell Road Recreation** A small grass and seating area. The site was previously part of the Morland 26,680 park Estate, though was never developed and was used as a kickabout area Ground by local children, then turned into a park. Dartnell Road, Croydon, CRO 6JB 23 **Duppas Hill** A 13.8 hectare recreation ground near Waddon. The park has a long history 50,450 of sport and recreation and jousting is reported to have taken place on the Old School Pl, Croydon site in medieval times. The park was Croydon's first recreation ground, land CRO 4GB out with paths, a bandstand and pavilion, all of which still stand today. Football and cricket are currently played on the recreation ground. 24 Freelands Avenue on A 0.2 hectare green area positioned within the division between the north 41,733 junction with Tedder and south sections of Freelands Avenue. Road Freelands Ave, South Croydon CR2 8HT

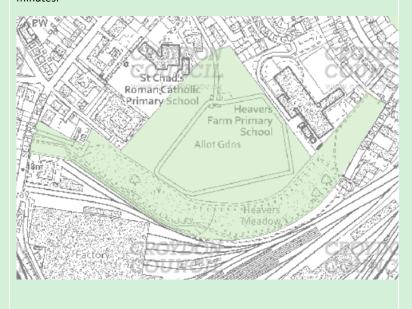




30 Heavers Meadow & allotments

London SE25 6LR

A 3.3 hectare site. The site was set up to deal with seasonal flooding from Norbury Brook - after rain the water level can rise several feet in a few minutes.



31 King Georges Field Recreation Ground

> Sydenham Rd, Croydon CRO 2EA

A 1.2 hectare site. This recreation ground contains a children's playing field, outdoor gym, multi-games court and playing field. It was acquired by the Council in 1937 and designed to commemorate the Silver Jubilee of King George the Fifth.

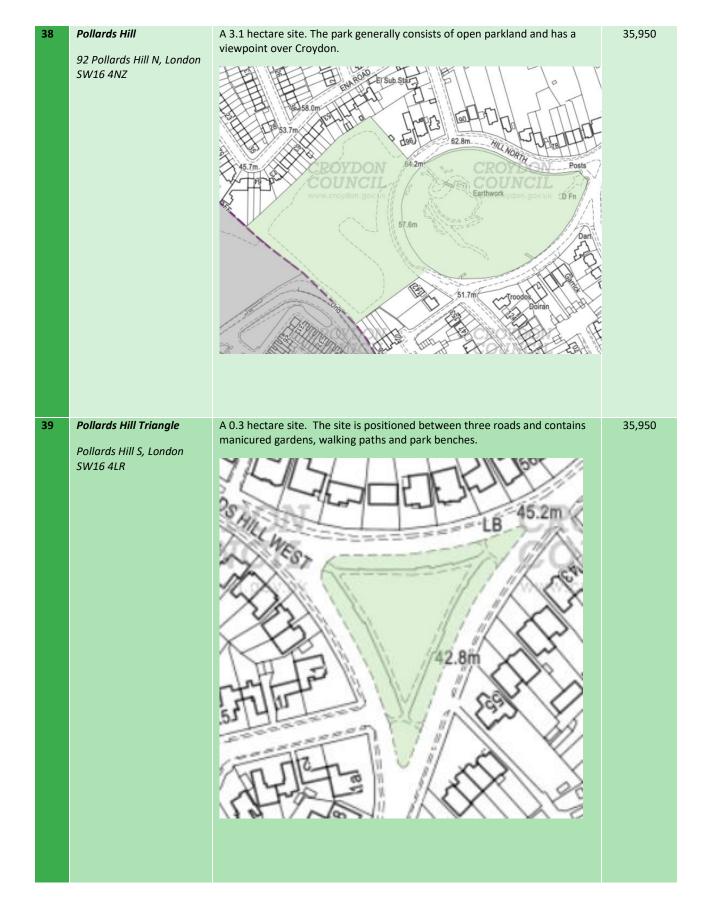


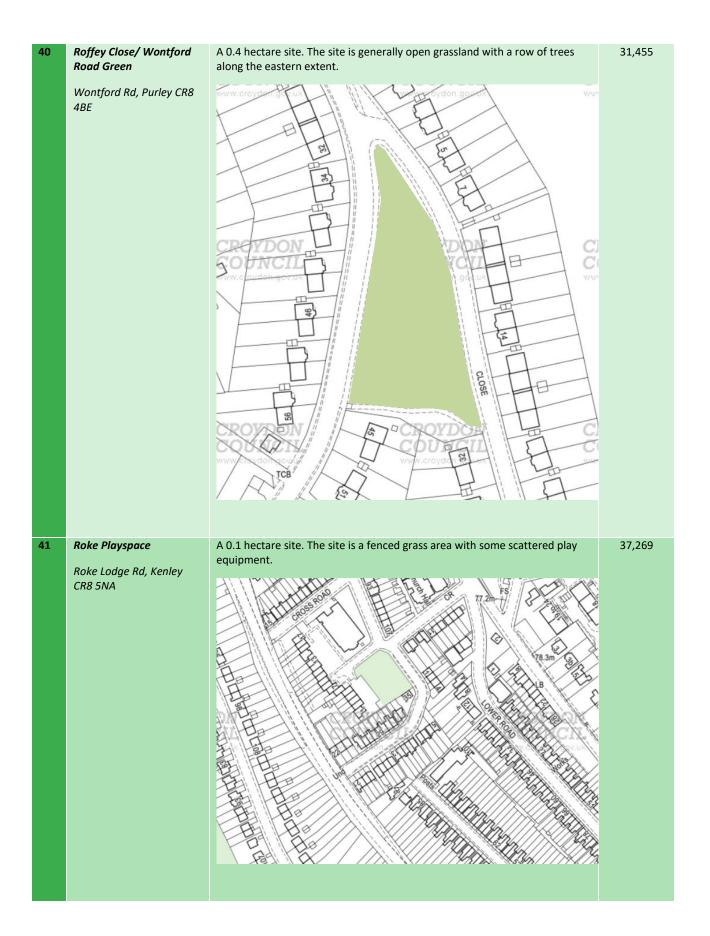
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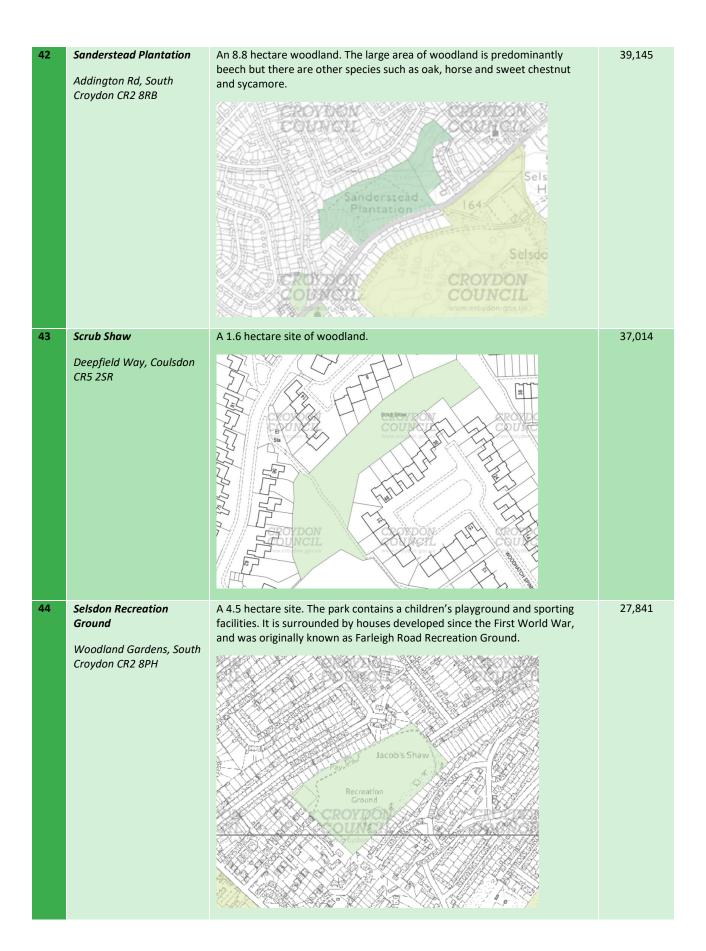
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32 Land to rear of YMCA, A 0.2 hectare woodland site. The site was accepted by Croydon Council as 35,416 Sylvan Hill / Oakland public open space after the local residents cleaned up and started managing Wood it in 1996. Auckland Rise, London SE19 2DZ 82 to 103 33 Lower Barn Road Green A 0.1 hectare site adjoining St Edmund's Church. 54,069 Lower Barn Rd, Purley CR8 1HQ 101.4m 34 **Norbury Park** An 11.5 hectare site. The site is a swathe of mixed wooded and agricultural 7,626 land associated with its Georgian manor house. The park is Grade II listed on 217 Green Ln, London the Register of Historic Parks and Gardens. It contains a children's SW16 3LY playground, BMX track, multi-games court and other recreational facilities.

35	Normanton Meadow	A 0.3 hectare site with an open informal recreation area surrounded by trees.	46,872
	11 Ward Cl, South Croydon CR2 7JX	WARD CLOSE WARD C	
36	Northwood Road Recreation Ground (Playground)	A children's playground, which was initially bought by the Borough of Croydon for housing in 1948 but not built upon as intended.	47,932
	Northwood Rd, Thornton Heath CR7 8HU	Playground Playground Solution CACFO Centre	
37	Parkfields Recreation Ground 66 Cheston Ave, Croydon	A 5.36 hectare site. The park was acquired in 1936 for the purpose of developing a public open space in a rapidly growing residential area. There is a designated cycle path (part of the Waterlink Way) running through the	59,005
	CRO 8DB	Parkfields COUNCIL	







45 South Croydon A 3.4 hectare site. The area contains a children's playground and a grass 46,263 **Recreation Ground** field suitable for informal recreation. There are beech, plane and lime trees along the north boundary, and a tree-lined walk along the railway Sanderstead Rd, South embankment. Croydon CR2 OPB Allot Gdns 46 South Norwood 51,823 A 5.67 hectare site. The site contains numerous sport and recreation **Recreation Ground** facilities. Over a quarter of the acquiring cost was put to land drainage, suggesting the site was quite wet. South Norwood SE25 5SG Recreation Ground

A 0.8 hectare garden set around the church building. St James' Church is a 47 St James Church Garden 32,587 Grade II* Listed Building built in 1828 and the garden was complete at the St James's Rd, Croydon end of 1966. CRO 2AU 54.6m 48 St Johns Church A 0.4 hectare ornamental gardens and memorial garden adjacent to St 25,219 **Memorial Garden** John's church. The site was previously a traditional graveyard and the old gravestones, tombs and headstones were removed and stored when work Old Town, Croydon CRO started in the garden and the road. 1AU John Whitgift School 15 62

49	St John's Church/ Shirley Church Recreation Ground Shirley Church Rd, Croydon CRO 5EE	A 1.3 hectare site burial ground surrounding St John's Church. Tenta Courts plants of the Court plants of	68,228
50	St John's Memorial Garden (east) Old Town, Croydon CRO 1AU	A 0.1 hectare ornamental garden and memorial garden adjacent to St John's church. The site was previously a traditional graveyard and the old gravestones, tombs and headstones were removed and stored when work started in the garden and the road.	40,765
51	St John's Memorial Garden (north) Old Town, Croydon CRO 1AU	A 0.1 hectare ornamental garden and memorial garden adjacent to St John's church. The site was previously a traditional graveyard and the old gravestones, tombs and headstones were removed and stored when work started in the garden and the road.	25,339

52 The Queen's Gardens A 0.9 hectare site. The area had previously consisted of the smaller Town 50,456 Hall Gardens and the site of Croydon's police station. The gardens seen Park Ln, Croydon CRO 1YJ today were the creation of a late-Victorian Borough Engineer and the Victorian aspect was retained when The Queens Gardens were planned. They are a popular spot for wedding photographs and are regularly used as a route between the Council offices and the underpass. Ellis Segas House usevu 400 RINE STREET 59.3m ŋ wer Gardens IT WALK 59.1m ROAD 53 The Ruffet A 1 hectare woodlands site surrounded by the Chapel View Estate. Various 35,150 woodland plants and birds are present. The Gallop, South Croydon CR2 7LP Mestock Circles Con London Thornton Heath 54 A 5.5 hectare site. The park contains various sporting and recreation 44,976 **Recreation Ground** facilities. It was recently part of the 'Parks to be Proud of' initiative which provided funding for substantial improvements. Winterbourne Rd, Thornton Heath CR7 7RX

55	Trumble Gardens	A 1.2 hectare site. The area contains ornamental gardens, tennis courts and	52,694
	79 Brigstock Rd, Thornton Heath CR7 7JH	a children's playground. The walls around Trumble Garden are built of bricks from houses damaged in the Second World War.	
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56	Upper Norwood	A 7.7 hectare site. The recreation ground contains facilities including football	64,166
	Recreation Ground	pitches, tennis courts and a multi-games court. It also contains one of the head-waters of the River Effra which now runs underground northwest.	
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		Norwood Exchange	
57	Waddon Ponds	A 3.4 hectare site. The site contains a children's playground and ponds. It is	32,935
0,		one of three main sites where the River Wandle can be seen in Croydon. The	32,333
	35-99 The Ridgeway, Crovdon CRO 4QA	ponds are fed by springs which provide clean and clear water which supports a range of aquatic life and attracts many different birds, ducks and	
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58 Wandle Park An 8.5 hectare site. The site contains a children's playground, community 35,555 garden, rose garden, ornamental garden and recreational areas. The river Cornwall Rd, Croydon CRO Wandle flows through the park, providing tranquil vistas along the banks of 3RD the river. The park reopened in 2012 after the park was redeveloped with money from the Heritage Lottery Fund, the London Mayor's Help a London Park fund, and Barrett's Homes. 59 Westow Park A 2.7 hectare site. The park historically contained two houses used by the 55,974 Royal Normal College and Academy of Music for the Blind. 150 College Grn, London SE19 3PP 60 A 1.1 hectare site. The land is managed as a wildlife conservation area and is Whitehorse Meadow 54,953 surrounded by residential lots on all sides. Parry Rd, London SE25 6TN

Whitehorse Road A 1.8 hectare site. The area contains ornamental gardens and a field. The 54,953 61 **Recreation Ground** field was used for ARP Shelters during the Second World War. Whitehorse Rd, Croydon CRO 2QJ 62 Wilford Road Playground A 1.1 hectare site containing a children's playground and a recreation field. 48,002 Windmill Grove, Croydon CRO 2XL Playground