

BABWORTH PARISH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

APPENDIX 4: ENVIRONMENTAL INVENTORY

1. Scoring criteria and system

Criterion (NPPF 2023)	Score range			Notes
LOCAL IN CHARACTER , not an extensive tract of land	N	Y		Yes is essential for LGS designation. The site should be a single bounded parcel of land, or a small, coherent group (evidence-based, with shared characteristics and in single ownership).
SPECIAL TO COMMUNITY:				
PROXIMITY	0	1-4	5	5 = an open space <u>within</u> a settlement 4 = adjacent to the settlement boundary (Limit to Development line when defined) 3, 2, 1 = successively farther from settlement 0 = most distant from main settlement(s)
BEAUTY	0	1-2	3	Subjective, relative (give justification); use consultation 'dot' map results for views. Only the most attractive land in the Plan Area should qualify. Most should get 0 or 1.
TRANQUILLITY	0	1	2	Tranquillity should be judged as a real experience; just being 'a long way from anywhere' doesn't make a site tranquil. Most sites should get 0. 2 will probably be limited to e.g. churchyards, well-designed memorial gardens, managed semi-natural habitats where birdsong is louder than traffic noise.
RECREATIONAL VALUE	0	1-4	5	5, 4 = Public Open Spaces designed for sport and recreation or as facilities for children and young people 3 = Membership sport facilities (tennis, bowls, etc.). Very well used park or other recreational space with full or comprehensive public access. Managed wildlife site with public access. Semi-natural parkland (trees, grass) with public footpaths and no restriction on access. 2 = Paddock or grazing field with 1 or more public footpaths, e.g. well-used for dog-walking, traditional sledging field 1 = arable farmland with public footpath but no other access. 0 = private property with no public recreational value or access
LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE:				
HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE	0	1-4	5	Historical significance can only apply to sites and features that can be seen (to be appreciated) or are proven buried archaeological features. NB cumulative: more features/designations = higher score. 5, 4 = statutory site, includes or comprises Scheduled monument, Listed Building, feature or structure. National Trust or English Heritage site 3, 2 = site with features in the County <i>Historic Environment Record</i> and/or Historic England <i>PastScape</i> records. <i>Registered park or garden</i> . Well-preserved <i>ridge and furrow</i> . Site includes feature, earthworks, proven buried archaeology, or building with known local historic environment significance (history includes 20 th century). Faint <i>ridge and furrow</i> 1 = (parish background level), including site of local oral, social or recorded history importance, no actual structure 0 = No evidence for historical environment significance
RICHNESS OF WILDLIFE (= BIODIVERSITY); GEOLOGY	0	1-4	5	Protection of habitats and species, in compliance with EU Directives and English legislation, at the local level of individual land parcels. NB cumulative: more features/species = higher score. 5 = Statutory site, includes or comprises SSSI (biodiversity or geology) or other national or European designation. 4 = County Wildlife Trust, etc. <i>nature reserve</i> . 3 – site with National, county and local biodiversity features, e.g. <i>Priority Habitats</i> , occurrence of one or more <i>Species of Conservation Concern</i> (use national or county Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP) Species lists), mapped Gt Crested newt ponds, bat roosts and foraging areas. County or local site designations e.g. <i>Local Wildlife Site</i> (LWS), Regionally Important Geological Site (RIGS), <i>Site of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC)</i> , <i>Local Nature Reserve</i> , <i>Community WildSpace</i> , etc. 2 = other site of known local biodiversity importance not recorded elsewhere with e.g. BAP species, species-rich hedgerows, watercourse, pond 1 = (parish background level), moderate or potential wildlife value 0 = no evidence for natural environment significance
Maximum possible score				25

2. Location map



3. Inventory

INVENTORY MAP REFERENCE	DESCRIPTION / EVIDENCE	NPPF (2021) CRITERIA FOR LOCAL GREEN SPACE ASSESSMENT							TOTAL /25
		LOCAL: BOUNDED, NOT EXTENSIVE YES/NO	PROXIMITY 0-5	SPECIAL TO COMMUNITY (<10)			LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE (<10)		
				BEAUTY 0-3	TRANQUIL 0-2	REC. VALUE 0-5	HISTORY 0-5	WILDLIFE 0-5	
	Western section is Priority Habitat <i>Deciduous woodland</i> (Natural England designation)								
191	Solar farm (south)								
194	Woodland etc west of Little Morton Farm Part is Priority Habitat <i>Deciduous woodland</i> (Natural England designation)							3	
218	Ash Holt (part of Retford Golf Course?) Priority Habitat <i>Deciduous woodland</i> (Natural England designation)							3	
227	Includes National <i>Forest Inventory</i> site (Natural England designation)							3	
232	Streamside woodland Priority Habitat <i>Deciduous woodland</i> (Natural England designation)							3	
240	National <i>Forest Inventory</i> site (Natural England designation)							3	
251	Southern half is part of the Clumber Park estate . This section is Country Park (Notts CC); Registered Parks and Gardens (Historic England); Priority Habitat <i>Woodpasture and parkland</i> (Natural England designations). Remainder is National <i>Forest Inventory</i> site (Natural England designation)					3	3	3	
252	National <i>Forest Inventory</i> site (Natural England designation)							3	
253	Apleyhead Wood (part in the Plan Area) Local Wildlife Site 5/3408							3	
271	Western section is National <i>Forest Inventory</i> site (Natural England designation)							3	
272									
273	Arable field with shelter belt (west boundary) to east of water storage reservoir (271) Priority Habitat <i>Deciduous woodland</i> (Natural England designation)							3	
274	East boundary is National <i>Forest Inventory</i> site (Natural England designation)							3	
275									
276	St Martin's Churchyard, Ranby Grounds of the Chapel of Ease An iron church was used for over 60 years before St. Martin's opened on this site in February 1960. A small brick building with pews from St Bee's Priory, Cumbria, seating 75 people. The oak altar comes from the mausoleum at Markham Clinton. The altar cross and candlesticks were originally in the house chapel at Morton Hall nearby. There is a portable font. Lawns, coniferous trees. BDC Open Space in emerging Local Plan					4			
277	Allotments, Green Mile Farm BDC Open Space in emerging Local Plan. Also National <i>Forest Inventory</i> site (Natural England designation)					4	3		
278	Sports field Football pitches etc. BDC Open Space in emerging Local Plan					4			
279	All Saints churchyard, Babworth Setting for 15 th (gothic style) to 19 th century sandstone parish church (associated with Babworth Hall and park). Has been an ecclesiastical site since at least the 12 th century. Elevated site, old trees, managed and rough grass, headstones with genealogical interest. Internationally significant connections with foundation of America/ Mayflower/Pilgrim Fathers.					4	5	2?	

