Proposed Open Spaces Designation

Typology and Hierarchy of Open Spaces

- 4.41 Open spaces within the borough have been categorised according to their typology (the function of the open space) as established by the Open Space Assessment (April 2024). These are Allotments; Amenity Greenspace; Cemeteries and Churchyards; Natural and Semi-Natural Greenspace; Outdoor Sports Provision; Parks, Gardens and Recreation Grounds; and Provision for Children and Teenagers. School playing fields did not form part of the Open Space Assessment.
- 4.42 Each of the accessible greenspaces (Amenity Greenspace; Natural and seminatural greenspaces; and Parks, Gardens and Recreation Grounds) have been categorised according to the provision of facilities at the site often related to size, known as the site's hierarchy. These hierarchies are:

Hierarchy	Explanation
District level	Sites more than 100ha
Wider Neighbourhood level	Sites between 20ha and 100ha
Neighbourhood level	Sites between 10ha and 20ha
Local level	Sites between 2ha and 10ha
Doorstep level	Sites between 0.5ha and 2ha
Incidental Greenspace	Sites smaller than 0.5ha

Types of Areas for Children and Teenagers

4.43 There is a three-tiered structure for children's informal recreation and equipped play which is specific to the location, minimum land area and style of provision required to be provided for a range of age groups, appropriate to their need. These are LAPs (Local Area for Play), LEAPs (Local Equipped Area for Play) and NEAPs (Neighbourhood Equipped Area for Play).

LAP – Local Area for Play

4.44 A LAP is a small area of open space (0.01-0.04ha) specifically designated and primarily laid out for very young children to play close to where they live i.e.

within 1 minute walking time. The LAP is designed to allow for ease of informal observation and supervision and its primary function is to encourage informal play and social interaction. A LAP requires no play equipment as such, relying more on demonstrative features indicating that play is positively encouraged.

<u>LEAP – Local Equipped Area for Play</u>

4.45 The LEAP is an area of open space (0.04-0.1ha) specifically designated and laid out with features including equipment for children who are beginning to go out and play independently close to where they live, usually within 5 minutes walking time.

NEAP – Neighbourhood Equipped Area for Play

- 4.46 A NEAP is an area of open space (>0.1ha) specifically designated, laid out and equipped mainly for older children but with play opportunities for younger children as well. Located within 15 minutes' walk from home, the NEAP is sufficiently large to enable provision for play opportunities that cannot be provided within a LAP or LEAP.
- 4.47 In line with Local Plan Policies OS1: Open Space and OS2: Outdoor Sports and Recreation Facilities and Provision, the following sites identified on the schedules below and as identified on the Policies Map will be protected, and any loss will be resisted.

Allotments

Name	Area (ha)
Grosvenor Road Allotments	1.72
Moor Nook Allotments	2.29
Riddings Allotments (also within South Locality)	1.70
Sale West Community Garden	0.03
Tavistock Allotments	0.11
Totnes Road Allotments	0.20
Walton Road Allotments	0.76
Warslow Drive Allotments	0.75
Winstanley Road Allotments	3.11

Amenity Greenspace

Name	Hierarchy	Area (ha)
Arnesbury Avenue	Local	2.42
Baguley Lane	Incidental	0.15
Dalebrook Road	Local	2.09
Manor Avenue	Incidental	0.08
Northenden Road Rest Garden	Incidental	0.25
Oakwood	Doorstep	0.51
Pimmcroft Way	Incidental	0.47
Poolcroft	Incidental	0.48
Woodhouse Lane	Doorstep	1.16

Cemeteries and Churchyards

Name	Area (ha)
Ashton on Mersey United Reformed Church	0.21
Quaker Meeting House and burial ground	0.80
Sale Cemetery	2.59
Sale Cemetery	4.91
St Anne's Church	0.19
St Martin's Church	1.37
St Mary Magdalene's Church	0.39
St Paul's Church	0.33
The Avenue Methodist Church	0.49

Natural and semi-natural green space

Name	Hierarchy	Area (ha)
Baguley Brook	Doorstep	1.03
Firs Plantation and Firsway (also within South / West Locality)	Local	9.13
Granary Wood	Incidental	0.46
New Hall Road woodland	Incidental	0.18



Name	Hierarchy	Area (ha)
Old Sale Boys Grammar site	Doorstep	0.74
Priory Gardens	Neighbourhood	13.34
Rothesay Crescent (also within South Locality)	Doorstep	0.67
Sale Water Park	Wider Neighbourhood / Town	57.06

Outdoor Sports Provision

Name	Area (ha)
Ashton On Mersey Cricket Club	2.39
Ashton Park ¹	0.47
Ashton-On-Mersey Golf Course	14.81
Brooklands Dragons FC	0.99
Brooklands Sports Club	5.92
Moor Nook Park ¹	0.18
Moor Nook Park ¹	0.11
Sale Conservative Club	0.15
Sale Excelsior Club	0.11
Sale Golf Course	44.90
Sale Harriers (Athletics Ground)	2.71
Sale Sports Club	1.99
The Legh Arms	0.17
The Linden Club	0.13
Trafford MV RFCC	7.39
Trinity Bowling club	0.43
United Services Club	0.10
Walton Park ¹	0.37
Walton Park ¹	0.10
Worthington Park ¹	0.32
Wythenshawe Sports Ground	30.21

¹Outdoors Sports Provision within Parks and gardens and recreation ground



Parks and gardens and recreation ground

Name	Hierarchy	Area (ha)
Ashton Park	Local	3.99
Baguley Brook Recreation	Doorstep	1.69
Bramhall Close	Doorstep	0.84
Brooklands Rest Gardens	Incidental	0.41
Cecil Avenue	Local	5.29
Christchurch Avenue Play Area	Incidental	0.19
(also within West Locality)		
Clarendon Crescent	Local	5.03
Crossford Bridge	Local	8.28
Dainewell Park (also within West	Local	5.94
Locality)		
Harley Road	Incidental	0.11
Kelsall Street	Doorstep	0.46
Kirklands Play Area	Incidental	0.16
Manor Avenue	Incidental	2.86
Moor Nook Park	Local	5.20
Newton Park (also within South	Local	2.12
Locality)		
Riding Close Play Area	Incidental	0.13
Sale West Manor	Doorstep	1.03
St James Drive Play Area	Incidental	0.16
Sylvan Avenue (also within South	Local	2.61
Locality)		
Walkden Gardens	Doorstep	1.68
Walton Park	Local	3.84
Weathercock Farm	Local	4.16
Worthington Park	Local	6.09

Provision for Children and Teenagers

Name	Hierarchy	Area (ha)
Ashton Park ¹	NEAP	0.15
Ashton Park ¹	NEAP	0.11
Ashton Park ¹	NEAP	0.25
Baguley Lane ²	LEAP	0.02
Baguley Lane ²	LEAP	0.05
Bramhall Close ¹	LEAP	0.05
Christchurch Avenue Play Area ¹	LAP	0.01
Crossford Bridge ¹	LEAP	0.16
Dainewell Park ¹	NEAP	0.07
Dainewell Park ¹	NEAP	0.03
Dainewell Park ¹	NEAP	0.05
Harley Road ¹	LEAP	0.04
Kelsall Street ¹	LEAP	0.05
Kelsall Street ¹	LEAP	0.04
Kirklands Play Area ¹	NEAP	0.12
Moor Nook Park ¹	LEAP	0.04
Moor Nook Park ¹	LEAP	0.11
Newton Park ¹	LEAP	0.11
Riding Close Play Area ¹	LAP	0.01
Sale West Manor ¹	NEAP	0.04
Sale West Manor ¹	NEAP	0.19
St James Drive Play Area ¹	LAP	0.02
Sylvan Avenue ¹	LEAP	0.03
Walton Park ¹	NEAP	0.11
Weathercock Farm ¹	LEAP	0.31
Worthington Park ¹	NEAP	0.13
Worthington Park ¹	NEAP	0.01

¹ Provision for Children and Teenagers within Parks and gardens and recreation ground

² Provision for Children and Teenagers within amenity greenspace

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School playing fields

Name	Area (ha)
Ashton-on-Mersey School	4.49
Brentwood High School and Community College	1.61
Brooklands Primary School	1.19
Firs Primary School	0.77
Holy Family Catholic Primary School	0.77
Lime Tree Primary School	0.75
Lime Tree Primary School	0.29
Lime Tree Primary School	0.10
Manor High School	0.29
Moorlands Junior School	1.36
Park Road Primary School (Sale)	0.31
Sale Grammar School	3.92
Sale High School	3.92
Springfield Primary School	0.27
St. Margaret Ward Catholic Primary School	0.82
St. Margaret Ward Catholic Primary School	0.18
Templemoor Infant School	0.26
Wellfield Infant School	1.58
Woodheys Primary School	0.83
Worthington Primary School	0.96

- 4.48 Policy OS1: Open Spaces sets out that open spaces will be protected, and any loss will be resisted. The sites have been identified on the schedules and identified on the Policies Map. The primary source of this information is the Trafford Open Space Assessment (April 2024).
- 4.49 Policy OS2: Outdoor Sports and Recreation Facilities and Provision sets out that existing outdoor facilities will be protected, and any loss will be resisted. The sites have been identified on the schedules and identified on the Policies Map. The sites specific relate to outdoor sports provision, as identified in the Trafford Open Space Assessment (April 2024), and school playing fields. Whilst



not accessible to all, the school playing fields provide an important open space function.

Consultation Question 4-12

Do you have any comments on the proposed open space designations? (please specify which open space your comments relate to – if relevant)