

Sites Approved to be Taken Forward for further assessment as possible sites for Recreational Facilities and Open Space

Agreement forthcoming at meeting of Parish Council – 20.10.21 for sites to be reassessed.

Sites represented and approved at meeting of 17th November 2021.

Amendments added 03.03.22 following the outcome of the Judicial Review CO.297.2021 (Thurston PC versus Mid Suffolk District Council) and the judgement issued quashing the planning permission granted by Mid Suffolk District Council for the site to the east of Beyton Road (as submitted by Bloor Homes Ltd)

Site 12 was submitted to and considered at the meeting of 30th March 2022 by the Recreational and Leisure Facilities Committee.

Amendments were made at the Parish Council meeting of 6th July 2022 once further information was forthcoming.

Site 13 and 13A (new access for same site) were submitted to and considered at the meeting of 24th August 2022 by the Recreational and Leisure Facilities Committee.

Those sites to be considered further are highlighted in grey.

Site Number	Location	Ownership	Site Assessments 2021 - 2022	Decision of 17.11.21 along with amendments 03.03.22
1	Land to the West of Ixworth Road – on land that has planning permission for a new school / land that might be surplus to educational requirements	Landowner / Persimmon as Developer	Slightly negative	Not taken forward As per Section 106 agreement – land could only come forward for recreational use
2	Land to the North of Norton Road - on land that has planning permission for a new school / land that might be surplus to educational	Linden Homes as Developer	Neutral	Not taken forward as site is now that of the new Primary School

	requirements			
3	Land to the south of Beyton Road	Sir George Agnew/Bloor Homes	Neutral	Land has currently planning permission for residential which is being challenged by a Judicial Review
4	Heath Road Play Area	Rented by the Parish Council from Thurston Relief In Need Charity	Neutral	If site is to be retained in isolation then status remains neutral with potential for an upgraded LEAP or NEAP.
5	Heath Road	Land held in trust by Thurston Relief in Need Charity	Slightly positive	The remainder of the site (outside of that for the residential home – planning application as determined by Mid Suffolk District Council on 20 th April 2022) has potential for further leisure and recreational facilities.
6	Thurston Primary School (redundant premises), School Lane	SCC / Diocese	Slightly positive	In terms of future utilisation of this site it is regarded as suitable for limited recreational facilities coming forward.
7	Thurston Recreation Ground	Land held in trust by Thurston Parish Council	Slightly negative	Given the size and current usage of the land it is considered that this site is at maximum capacity for recreational and leisure use.
8	New Green Community Open Space Area	Land held in trust by the New Green Community Trust	Slightly negative	Given that the site is registered as Open Space and its location adjacent to housing (including sheltered housing), it is considered that there is no room for expansion for built facilities.
9	Plum Pudding Field, Beyton Road	Private ownership	Neutral	If the site is to be developed part of the conditions could be to include infrastructure that will be expected to come forth as an overall package. This site most lends itself to

				organised sports with dedicated parking and club house facilities. Developed of the site will require project management in conjunction with others.
10	Allotment Gardens, Barrell's Road	Private ownership	Strongly negative	Currently allocated for allotments which are in poor supply in the village.
11	Land to the East of Ixworth Road	Landowner / Gladman Developments	Slightly negative	Following the outcome of the JR for the site on Beyton Road (to which this site is linked) as well as issues relating to this site in terms of location, there are a number of planning constraints that need to be satisfied prior to further consideration of this site.
				Parish Council decision of 06.04.22 along with agreed amendments 06.07.22
12	Land adjacent railway footpath bridge on Heath Road.	Private ownership	Strongly negative	West Suffolk Officers were not supportive of the proposal of a skate park: significant distance from existing housing, isolated development in the countryside; lack of passive surveillance; risk of anti-social behaviour. No special considerations for a site located in another village that was for the benefit of residents in a village within the Mid Suffolk District Council jurisdiction.
				Recreational and Leisure Facilities Committee decision of 24.08.22
13	Land adjacent to Heath Road / Genesta Drive / Heather Close	Private ownership	Slightly negative	Assessment approved with the addition of further comments along with the recommendation from the Recreational and Leisure Facilities Committee on 24.08.22 that the assessment be submitted to full Council for adoption. Details upon which the assessment was based are those provided

				previously to the Parish Council and submitted at the Public Consultation Event of 11 th August 2022.
13A	Land adjacent to Heath Road / Genesta Drive / Heather Close	Private ownership	Neutral	Assessment approved with the addition of further comments along with the recommendation from the Recreational and Leisure Facilities Committee on 24.08.22 that the assessment be submitted to full Council for adoption. Details upon which the assessment was based are those provided by the Ben Wragge Skatepark Charity showing a new access point off Barton Road.