

## BEAUTY

5	Excellent visual attractiveness, excellent variety of natural features and of good quality, provides an excellent contribution to the setting of the local area
4	Very good visual attractiveness, good variety of natural features and of good quality, provides a very good contribution to the setting of the local area
3	Good visual attractiveness, variety of natural features and of good quality, provides a good contribution to the setting of the local area
2	Good visual attractiveness, limited variety of natural features and of good quality, provides a good contribution to the setting of the local area
1	Limited visual attractiveness, limited variety of natural features and of good quality, provides a limited contribution to the setting of the local area
0	Makes little contribution to the character of the area

## RECREATION

5	Public access, evidence of a good range of informal and formal uses, excellent facilities (good/excellent condition and range) and information on/evidence of frequent use.
4	Public access, evidence of good range of informal uses / good facilities(fair condition and range) and/or information on/evidence of frequent use.
3	Public access, evidence of good range of informal uses / some limited facilities and/or information provided on/evidence of reasonably frequent use.
2	Public access but no evidence submitted of informal or formal use. No notable recreation facilities, and no information provided/evidence of frequent use.
1	Site is accessible to the public if an entrance fee is paid/or site is privately accessible to a limited group of people.
0	Site has no public access and is therefore considered to have no/very limited recreational value.

*Additional weight to be added if no other similar spaces are within 800m*

*(10 mins) of the space being assessed to ensure that spaces which are more isolated but provide recreational value are recognised for their importance*

## TRANQUILITY

5	No notable sources of disturbance. No visual or audible intrusion. High degree of self-contain limit noise and disturbance.
4	Limited disturbance in at least part of site. e.g. site is located within residential area with low levels of noise and visual intrusion from associated residential or recreational activities. Containment and screening limit noise disturbance in site.
3	Some disturbance. The site is located on a major and/or minor road with some neighbouring uses causing disturbance. Limited self-containment and screening. Scale of site may mean there are undisturbed parts.
2	Frequent disturbance. The site has some disturbance by a main and/or multiple roads and/or by neighbouring uses with regular disturbance. Limited self-containment
1	Major and constant disturbance. The site is heavily affected by a main road/or by neighbouring uses with regular disturbance. Total lack of self-containment and screening.
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## HISTORY

5	The site meets 5+ sub-criteria
4	The site meets four of the sub-criteria or contributes to the historical setting of a 4 or more listed buildings / non-designated heritage assets / conservation area
3	The site meets three of the sub-criteria or contributes to the historical setting of a 3 or more listed buildings / non-designated heritage assets
2	The site meets two of the sub-criteria or contributes to the historical setting of a 2 or more non-designated heritage assets
1	The site meets one of the sub-criteria
0	The site meets none of the sub-criteria

#### Sub-criteria

5	Site is located within an area of high archaeological potential
4	Site makes a positive contribution to the setting of a locally listed building
3	Site makes a positive contribution to the setting of a nationally listed building.
2	Site makes a positive contribution to the setting of a scheduled ancient monument.
1	Site makes a positive contribution to the setting of a conservation area.
0	Site of local historical importance

#### WILDLIFE

4	Excellent level of evidence of nature on site - close to other national or international designations
3	Good level of evidence submitted in relation to wildlife on site, and open space is located in close proximity to, or is designated as, an area of local ecological importance of Local Nature Reserve or highlighted as a Biodiversity Opportunity Area (BOA).
2	Reasonable evidence submitted in relation to wildlife observed on site but open space is not in or close proximity to any designated area of ecological significance.
1	Limited evidence submitted in relation to wildlife observed on the site, and the open space is not in, or in close proximity to any designated area of ecological significance. There is however an assumed level of wildlife value to the site (habits or species).
0	No obvious wildlife value

1 mark for each other factor

#### SCORE

13+	Designate unless any other preventative reason
12 to 13	Borderline - further assessment, but if there are overwhelming individual reasons (a score of 4+), this would be sufficient to designate
11	and below not designated

s. Degree of self-

