Appendix G: Evidence base for Local Green Space designations

REF	DESCRIPTION / EVIDENCE	NPPF (2021) LOCAL GREEN SPACE CRITERIA							
		LOCAL BOUNDED, NOT EXTENSIVE YES/NO	SPECIAL TO COMMUNITY (Max 10)			LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE (Max 10)			
			PROXIMITY 0 - 5	BEAUTY 0-3	TRANQUIL 0 - 2	REC. VALUE 0 - 5	HISTORY 0 - 5	WILDLIFE 0 - 5	TOTAL /25
302	Main Street / Jeffcoats Lane playing field	Υ	5	2	1	5	2	2	17

Mixture of mature hedging and trees on four sides, gated access for grass cutting/maintenance machinery. Backs onto Swannington Incline (historical significance). Badgers may be present in this location plus other wildlife as witnessed (visiting foxes to local gardens). Field surrounded by residential properties although not immediately adjacent. Owned by Wyggeston Hospital, rented by Parish Council for village use.

This is special as it is the only green space for the young people of the village to play their sport. A number of children's football teams train and play throughout the season and others also use it on an informal basis when playing.

NWLDC OSSR site as Local Open Space





218 Gorse Field / site of Califat mine

Managed by Swannington Heritage Trust for community use, history and biodiversity.

Leics. HER site MLE 4881: important area of earthworks preserving the traces of medieval coal mining, surveyed 1980s.

Leics. CC designated Local Wildlife Site LWS 40427 Gorse Field for Acid, mesotrophic and mixed grassland, scrub and pond, with 20+ indicator plant species and (red data species) great crested newt.

Part of RIGS 12657 Califat Mine

This is special because in addition to the historical significance of the site the area is well used for walkers both with and without dogs, and for those who simply enjoy the diverse nature/wildlife. School children enjoy the opportunity to learn about the wildlife whilst enjoying the historical importance that the site affords

Includes areas of *Priority Habitat* Deciduous woodland and National *Forest Inventory*.



