

Chapter 7 Recreation and Open Space

7.1. The 2012 Issues and Options consultation sought views on whether there should be any additional allocations for recreational open space in the new Local Plan.

Issue 11: Recreation and Open Space

A number of sites for new public open space have been suggested by Parish Councils. In all cases the options are in villages where there is a shortfall in provision against the Council's adopted (and proposed) standards for sport and play provision. Whilst the plan can allocate open space, delivery will be a matter for the Parish Council or other bodies.

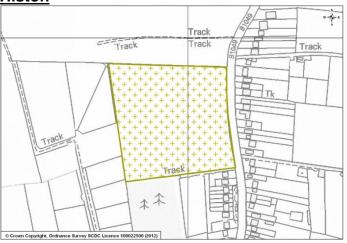
These are shown on the Village Maps in Chapter 9.

Question 11:

Which of the site options for open space do you support or object to and why?

Please provide any comments.

<u>Site Option R1: Land known as Bypass Farm, West of Cottenham Road,</u> Histon



Site Size (ha):

4.8

Representation number:

47253

Pros:

- Would increase open space provision in north of village.
- Near to public transport route.
- Potential for landscape / biodiversity enhancement

Cons:

 Green Belt – Any built development to support recreation uses (e.g. changing rooms) in this open flat landscape could impact on long-distance views, and would need to be carefully sited and landscaped.

<u>Site Option R2: East of Railway Line, South of Grahams Road, Great Shelford</u>



Site Size (ha):

3.5

Representation number:

41130

Pros:

 Could provide access to informal recreation e.g. countryside access, dog walking.

Cons:

- Land has a countryside parkland character, unsuitable for formal recreation (e.g. pitches, equipped play).
- Poor highways access, no potential for onsite car parking.

Site Option R3: Grange Field, Church Street, Great Shelford



Site Size (ha):

2.5

Representation number:

41130

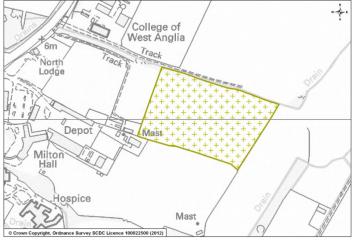
Pros:

Adjoins existing recreation ground, with existing parking and facilities.

Cons:

 The impact of additional pitches on planned parking levels would need to be considered.

Site Option R4: North of former EDF site, Ely road, Milton



Site Size (ha):

3.1

Representation number:

36397

Pros:

• Adjoins area already planned for new pitches, with pavilion and car park.

Cons:

 The impact of additional pitches on planned parking levels would need to be considered.