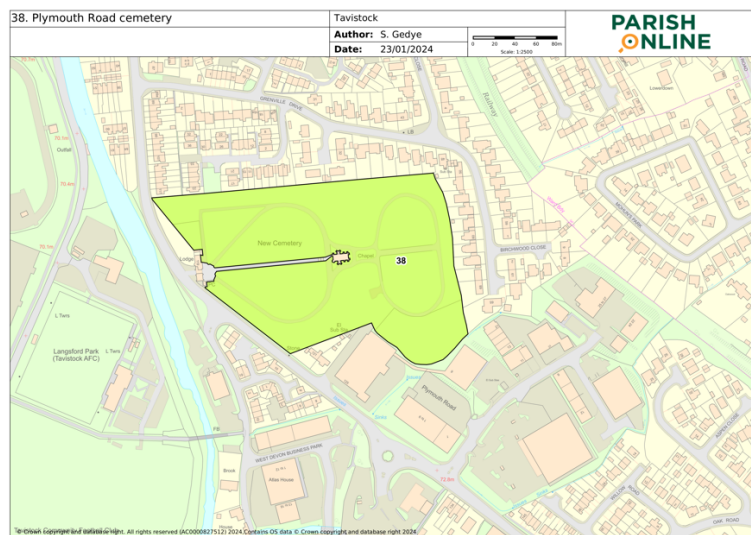
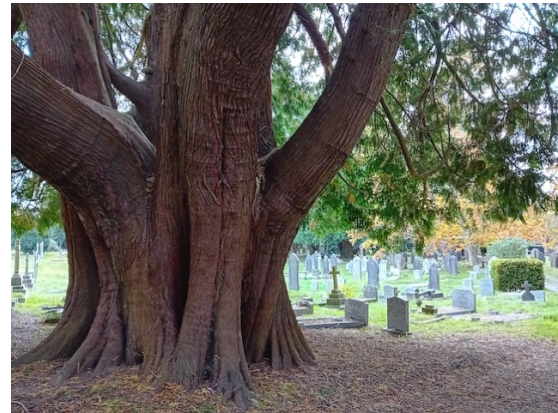
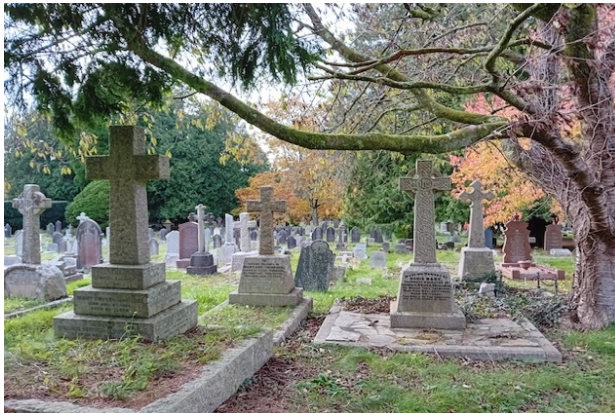


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1	Planning History - Does it meet LGS criteria?	Y
	Does the sites have an extant planning permission, which can still be implemented and would conflict with a Local Green Space designation? <i>(If yes, the site is considered not suitable for Local Green Space Designation)</i>	N
	Has the site been allocated for an incompatible Local Green Space use? <i>If yes, the site is considered not suitable for Local Green Space Designation</i>	N
	Any further points to raise from the Strategic Land Availability Assessment?	N
2	Other Designations - Does it meet LGS criteria?	Y
	Is the site covered by any of the following designations?	N

	<p>Special Areas of Conservation; Special Protection Areas; Sites of Special Scientific Interest; Registered Parks and Gardens; Local Nature Reserves; Registered village greens; Common land; Strategic Green Space; Minerals Safeguarding Area</p> <p><i>If yes, the site is considered not suitable for Local Green Space Designation</i></p>	
3	<p>Proximity to Community - Does it meet LGS criteria?</p>	Y
	<p>Is the site within 240m radius of 10 dwellings or more?</p> <p><i>If yes, the site is considered suitable for Local Green Space Designation due to its proximity to the community it serves</i></p>	Y
4	<p>Local Character and Not Extensive Tract of Land - Does it meet LGS criteria?</p>	Y
	<p>Is the site, or adjacent green spaces appropriate for Local Green Space taken together, larger than 10ha?</p> <p><i>If yes, the site is considered not suitable for Local Green Space Designation</i></p>	N
	<p>How does the site relate to the local area? Does the site feel part of the local area? Does the site connect physically, visually and/or socially to the area? Is the site distinct from its context by virtue of its size, land type or landscape features, e.g. what are its boundary conditions?</p> <p><i>Please provide justification below :</i></p> <p>The Plymouth Road Cemetery is distinct from the setting around it because of the nature of the use of the land combined with both the historic architecture (chapel, gateway lodge and graves) and large trees planted around the edge of the property. Within the context of the area in which it sits, it provides a significant amount of green space with the potential for habitat use by multiple species. The site is bounded by a cemetery wall.</p>	
	<p>The site should not be an extensive tract of land. How large is the site in comparison to the community it serves and areas of land in the vicinity?</p> <p><i>Please provide justification below:</i></p> <p><i>The site is 3.64 Ha compared to a parish area of 1,330 Ha.</i></p>	
	<p>Is the extent of the size reasonable for its potential designation as a Local Green Space - How has the size of the site been decided? Does the site follow natural features or existing constraints? Does the whole site justify allocation as Local Green Space or is some of the site unnecessarily included? Is the site unusually large for its use?</p> <p><i>Please provide justification below:</i></p> <p><i>The size is reasonable and justified on the basis of its defined and bounded area as a cemetery/burial ground.</i></p>	Y

5	Particular Local Significance - Does it meet LGS criteria?	Y
5.1	Beauty - Does it meet LGS criteria?	Y
	<p>Is the site discernibly beautiful or more beautiful than the surrounding areas?</p> <p><i>Please provide justification below</i></p> <p>Both the architecture and tree planting mark the cemetery as a special area of beauty despite its use. The Green Burial Meadow provides a nature-rich, informal environment and an ecological option for burials in Tavistock. The area is managed as a hay meadow and is mown in high summer to benefit pollinating insects and allow wildflowers to set seed. The Friends of the Green Burial Meadow contribute to the management of the site by sowing wildflower seeds, planting and raking. The Green Burial Meadow has achieved 'Outstanding' for the last two years in the South West in Bloom It's Your Neighbourhood awards.</p>	Y
	<p>Site visibility - Is the site visible from a public place? Are there views of the site from any key locations?</p> <p><i>Please provide justification below</i></p> <p>The site is visible from many parts of the town because of its clear boundary trees as well as it's unique location amongst developments of housing and industry.</p>	Y
	<p>Is the site (or type of landscape) specifically mentioned in any relevant landscape character assessments, conservation area appraisals or similar documents?</p> <p><i>Please provide justification below</i></p> <p>The cemetery is well-known in the local area and much has been written about it as well as the architecture on the site.</p>	Y
	<p>Is the site covered by any landscape or similar designations?</p> <p><i>Please provide justification below</i></p> <p>It is a designated cemetery</p>	N
	<p>Are there any cultural references to the site's scenic quality?</p> <p><i>Please provide justification below</i></p> <p>See above</p>	Y
	<p>Does the site bring interest from further afield to the local area?</p> <p><i>Please provide justification below</i></p> <p>Due to the nature of the architecture, the use, and the fact that there is a green burial meadow there are many people to appreciate and visit the</p>	Y

	cemetery. However, its main purpose is still to provide burial plots for local people.	
	<p>Does the green space help to improve the overall appearance of the area by means of its features?</p> <p><i>Please provide justification below</i></p> <p>As the site sits on the main road into Tavistock, its trees and architecture provide relief from otherwise modern housing developments and paved out of town industrial sites.</p>	Y
5.2	Historic Significance - Does it meet LGS criteria?	Y/N
	<p>Are there any historic buildings, features or remains on the site? For example, listed buildings, scheduled ancient monuments, and war memorials.</p> <p><i>Please provide justification below</i></p> <p>Plymouth Road Cemetery was opened in 1884 and extended in the 1950's. The older parts of the cemetery are characterised by mature trees and Victorian monuments whilst the newer part of the cemetery is laid out in a lawn style. At the heart of the cemetery lies the chapel, designed by local architect Henry Clutton and made of local Dartmoor granite and bath stone.</p>	Y
	<p>Are there any historic landscape features on the site? For example, old hedgerows, ancient trees, historic ponds, historic garden features, ancient woodlands.</p> <p><i>Please provide justification below</i></p>	N
	<p>Did the site play an important role in the historic development of the village or town? For example, part of the grounds for the manor house, site of an old railway station, village green.</p> <p><i>Please provide justification below</i></p> <p>The site is an important part of the Victorian development of Tavistock, cemeteries being of significant civic value.</p>	Y
	<p>Did any important historic events take place on the site? Is there a longstanding event which takes place on the site? For example, fete's, well-dressing, maypole dancing, pace egg rolling, plays, market</p> <p><i>Please provide justification below</i></p>	N

5.3	Recreational Value - Does it meet LGS criteria?	Y
	<p>Is there evidence or is it feasible that the site is used for playing sport or is it included in the playing pitch strategy to deliver sports provisions?</p> <p><i>Please provide justification below</i></p>	N
	Which Sport?	
	Is this sports provision free?	
	Is it good quality?	
	Are there better facilities nearby?	
	<p>Does the Green space incorporate play provision or is it included in the play strategy to deliver new play provision? What is the quality of the play area?</p> <p><i>Please provide justification below</i></p>	
	<p>Are there any other play provisions within a 240m for local playable space or 600m for strategic play space?</p> <p><i>If yes, please provide details below</i></p>	
	<p>Is there evidence or is it feasible that the site is used for informal recreation? Can the site be accessed easily? Are there desire-lines present on site?</p> <p><i>If yes, please provide details below</i></p> <p>Cemeteries are tranquil spaces full of wildlife and cultural interest. As a large cemetery, Plymouth New Road Cemetery will be a place that some people value as a place to stroll, taking informal exercise.</p>	Y
	<p>Does the site incorporate any recreational routes, e.g. bridleways, PRowS, National Cycle Routes, key pedestrian and cycle links?</p> <p><i>If yes, please provide details below</i></p>	
5.4	Tranquillity - Does it meet LGS criteria?	Y
	<p>Is the site considered to be tranquil? If yes, what features make it feel tranquil?</p> <p><i>Please provide justification below</i></p>	Y

	<p>Cemeteries are typically tranquil spaces. Away from the road, this large cemetery is a place of quiet. It is full of a variety of beautiful trees that create a patchwork of open and shaded/enclosed spaces. Graves also generate the atmosphere of spiritual calm and rest.</p>	
	<p>Does it enhance the feeling of tranquillity within the local area through a feeling of remoteness?</p> <p><i>Please provide justification below</i></p> <p>As above.</p>	Y
	<p>Does it provide an area of tranquillity within a busy setting by hiding man-made structures such as roads, power-lines or lighting and by reducing the appearance of noise and light impacts?</p> <p><i>Please provide justification below</i></p> <p>As above</p>	Y
5.5	Richness in Wildlife - Does it meet LGS criteria?	Y
	<p>Is the site formally designated for its wildlife value?</p> <p><i>If yes, please provide details below</i></p>	N
	<p>If the site is not formally designated, is there any evidence that there are important habitats or species found on the site?</p> <p><i>If yes, please provide details below</i></p> <p>The Green Burial Meadow provides a nature-rich, informal environment and an ecological option for burials in Tavistock. The area is managed as a hay meadow and is mown in high summer to benefit pollinating insects and allow wildflowers to set seed. The Friends of the Green Burial Meadow contribute to the management of the site by sowing wildflower seeds, planting and raking. The Green Burial Meadow has achieved 'Outstanding' for the last two years in the South West in Bloom It's Your Neighbourhood awards.</p> <p>During the annual threshing of the meadow species identification of both wildflowers and wildlife has taken place. Hedgehogs and rare orchids have been identified on the site.</p> <p>The cemetery is also home to numerous mature and ornamental trees such as Western Red Cedars, Red Oak and Monkey Puzzle trees, as</p>	Y

	detailed in the 'Branch Out: Tree and Greenspaces Trail' published by Visit Tavistock.	
	<p>Have ecological surveys been undertaken on or close to the site?</p> <p><i>If yes, please provide details below</i></p> <p>The Friends of the Green Burial Meadow monitor the wildlife in this part of the site.</p>	Y
	<p>Has the site been defined as part of the JLP biodiversity network? Is the site adjacent to a designated site?</p> <p><i>If yes, please provide details below</i></p>	N
	<p>Is there any evidence, or is it likely that other wildlife of interest has been found on the site? Are there ancient hedgerows, woodland, veteran trees on the site?</p> <p><i>If yes, please provide details below</i></p> <p>See above for comments about the Green Burial Meadow and cemetery tree surveys.</p>	Y
6	<p>Evidence of Local Support and Alternate Green Space Provision - Is there sufficient current evidence of Local Support?</p> <p><i>If yes, please provide details below</i></p> <p>Both the Tavistock Community Gardeners and the Friends of the Green Burial Meadow are regularly active on the site and willing to document and look after the green space on a voluntary basis. This forms an important link with the local community.</p>	Y/N
7	<p>Could the site help to mitigate against the effects of climate change on the local community? Does the site have sufficient landscape qualities that could help tackle climate change?</p> <p><i>If yes, please provide details below</i></p> <p>The cemetery is home to a large number of mature trees which lock up carbon, hold water and provide shade, all of value in relation to mitigating climate change.</p>	Y
8	<p>Does the site include any landscape features that could help build resilience to climate change challenges? Does the site have sufficient landscape features that could build resilience to climate change?</p> <p><i>If yes, please provide details below</i></p>	Y

	As above. Maintaining a supply of new trees to replace mature trees that will eventually die is of value in the sites management.	
9	Conclusion - Should site be considered for allocation?	Y
	<p><i>Please provide any concluding remarks below</i></p> <p><i>Plymouth Road New Cemetery is a beautiful and historic burial ground. It is a tranquil space and one rich in naturel wildlife and ornamental trees. The cemetery provides a calm place to walk and contemplate with added value, particularly in the quality of its trees, to mitigate against climate change.</i></p>	Y