

Alsager Neighbourhood Plan – Open Spaces Group

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The group currently consists of Sylvia Dyke, Jane Smith and Hilary Robinson.

Andrew Thomson has pointed us to paragraphs 77 & 78 of the National Planning Policy Framework, for the definition of a Local Green Space (see below).

Having listed the open spaces and wildlife corridors etc of Alsager, we will now be working to categorise them as to whether they fit into this designation.

We are also going to write brief descriptions of the main areas to highlight the important points about each one.

We're looking forward to finding out what Cheshire Wildlife Trust can do for us.

Hilary Robinson
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Extract from NPPF:

77. The Local Green Space designation will not be appropriate for most green areas or open space. The designation should only be used:

- ❑ where the green space is in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves*
- ❑ where the green area is demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular local significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of its wildlife*
- ❑ where the green area concerned is local in character and is not an extensive tract of land*

Related guidance: [Open space, green space and rights of way](#)

78. Local policy for managing development within a Local Green Space should be consistent with policy for Green Belts.