

APPENDIX 7 FORRES

Forres Audit Findings

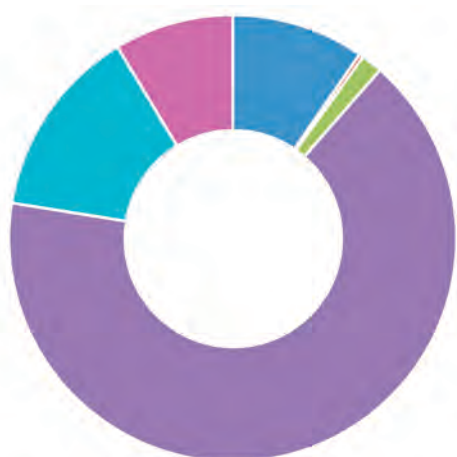
Forres has approximately 356 ha of publicly usable open space. A large proportion of this is woodland, which accounts for approximately 230 ha of the total publicly usable open space in the Natural/Semi Natural typology. See plan 1.

1.1 Quantity of Open Space

A primary typology was identified for each site and the analysis below has been completed on primary typology to avoid double counting sites. Where a site includes a playspace or playingfields this has been identified and measured to allow analysis of these features.

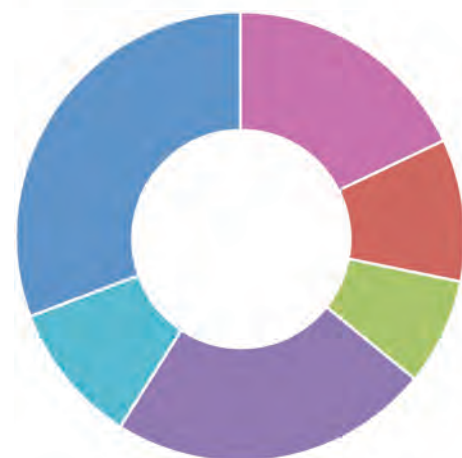
The greatest number of sites is within the Amenity typology. This typology includes a variety of sites including land for flood alleviation, roadside corridors and landscaping strips within or on the edge of development. There are no sites whose primary function was civic uses, although this use could be found in the Public Park and Garden typology, for example at Mosset Burn which includes the war memorial. There are only a handful of sites within the Playspace and Sports Area category but these functions are found within other sites.

The Natural/Semi Natural typology, which is primarily made up of large area of woodland, accounts for 65% of the total area of open space. Playspace followed by Sports Area make up the least area.



Area (ha)

Public Parks and Gardens	33.54
Playspace*	1.07
Sports Area*	5.36
Natural/Semi Natural	230.97
Green Corridor	48.43
Civic	0
Amenity	36.91
TOTAL Area (ha)	356.28



Number of sites

Public Parks and Gardens	7
Playspace*	4
Sports Area*	3
Natural/Semi Natural	9
Green Corridor	4
Civic	0
Amenity	13
TOTAL Number of sites	40

*Playspace and playingfields may be found in other typologies, see table below.



Sites may have more than one function and therefore playspaces and playingfields are also found within other typologies. The table below indicates the total number and area of these.

PLAYSPACE



PLAYING FIELDS



This demonstrates that more sites are used for playspace and playing field than is shown within the overall figures for the primary typologies. The area of playingfields appears lower than the overall “Sports Area” typology because in the overall figures the whole site area has been used and not just the area that is a playing field. It should be noted that the quality of the sites relates to the whole site and therefore may not be representative of the condition of individual playingfields or play equipment.

The open space per household /per 1,000 people has been calculated by dividing the open space provision by the number of households in a town or by its population. Household numbers were identified using address data and the population figures are based on the census figures. A figure that excludes the Natural/Semi Natural typology has been provided as the high level of space in this typology skew the figures. However, this typology is key to providing the character and setting to many towns as well as providing opportunities for walking and cycling.

When taking into account all the audited space in Forres the rate per household and per 1,000 people is higher than the overall “Moray” figure by a significant margin. Forres benefits from large areas of woodland which provide an attractive setting and character for the town but also provides recreational opportunities. However, excluding Natural/Semi Natural typology from the figures the open space per household is

	Total land audited in Forres	Total land audited in Moray	Audited land excluding Natural/ Semi Natural	Audited land excluding Natural/ Semi Natural Moray
Open Space per household	708.59 m ²	584.48m ²	161.81 m ²	180.63m ²
Open Space per 1,000 people	35.08 ha	28.89ha	12.47ha	8.93ha



below the figure for Moray and the figure per 1,000 people is above the overall Moray figure. It is difficult to benchmark the quantity of open space in Moray against other authorities, particularly as many Moray towns are blessed with large woodlands on their boundary. Reviewing the open space strategies of other authorities the standards set vary but generally range between 4 and 6 hectares. Overall the open space in Forres exceeds this significantly and when the Natural/Semi Natural sites are excluded Forres exceeds even the highest standards set by other authorities.

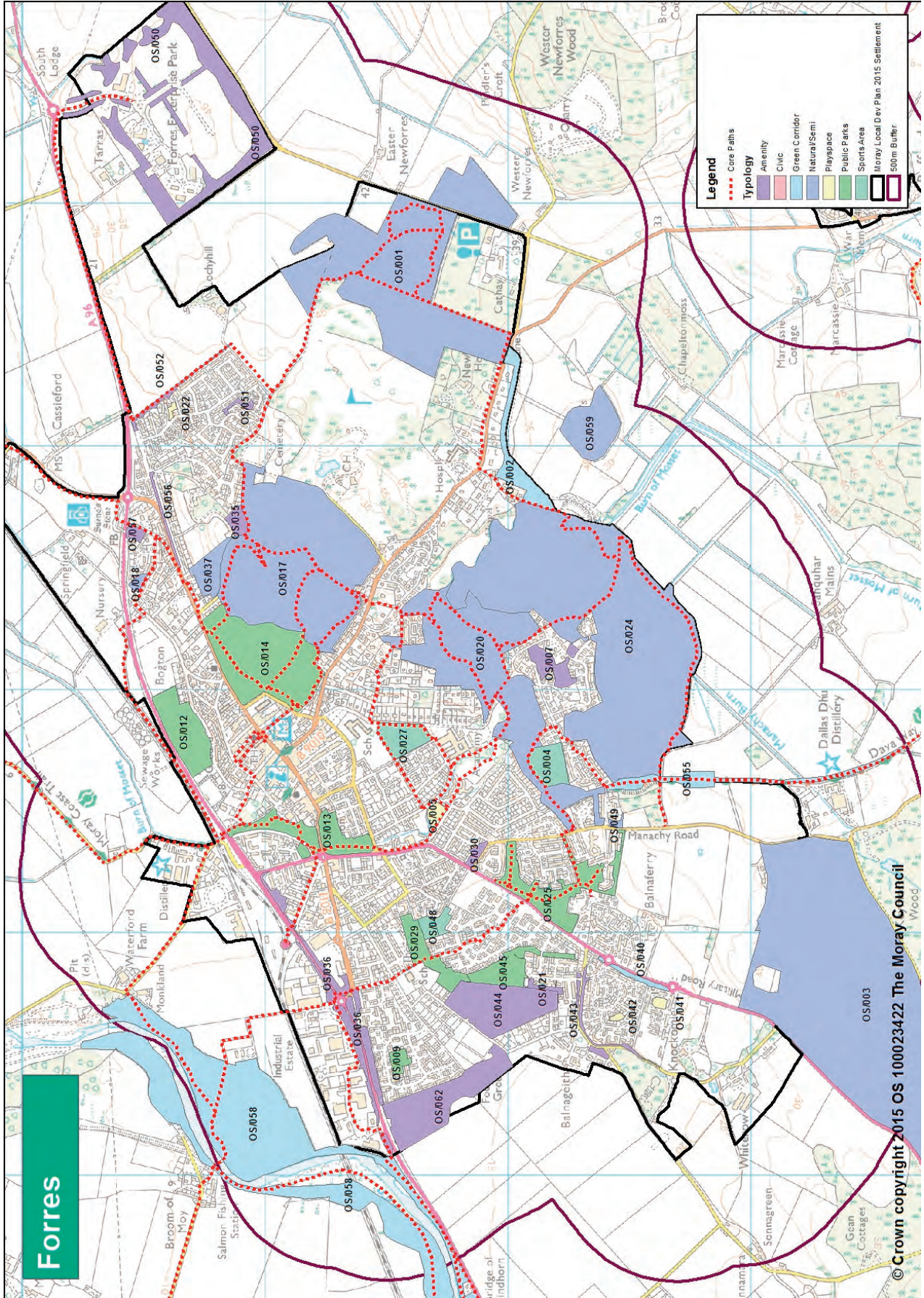
Fields in Trust, formerly operating as the National Playing Field Association made recommendations on planning for outdoor sport and children’s play. This became known as the “6 acre standard”. Fields in Trust recommends a minimum standard for outdoor playing space of 2.4 hectares (6 acres) for 1,000 people. This standard only applies to Public Parks and Gardens, Playspace and Sports Area. Comparing these typologies to the “six acre standard” shows that Forres currently achieves this standard. The Playspace and Sports Area typology however are below the averages for Moray.



Type of Open Space	Ha per 1,000		Six Acre Standard	Moray
Public Parks and Gardens	3.30 ha	3.94 ha	0.8 ha	1.65 ha
Playspace	0.11 ha		0.25 ha	0.13 ha
<i>(Playspace in other typologies)</i>	<i>(0.12 ha)</i>			<i>(0.24 ha)</i>
Sports Area	0.53 ha		1.6 ha	0.94 ha
<i>Playing fields</i>	<i>(0.54 ha)</i>		<i>(1.2ha)</i>	<i>(0.62 ha)</i>
Natural/Semi Natural	22.74 ha		1.8 ha	19.96 ha
Green Corridor	4.77 ha			4.63 ha
Civic	0			0.07 ha
Amenity	3.63 ha		0.6 ha	1.51 ha



Plan 1 Audited Site Typology



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1.2 Quality

Plan 2 shows the quality of each audited site in Forres.

11 sites fall within the highest quality category. Grant Park (M/FR/OS/014) scored well as it is a welcoming attractive park with multiple functions and facilities. Sanquhar Wood and Loch (M/FR/OS/020 & 25) scored well due to the attractive paths and trails, the setting it offered to Forres and the biodiversity value it provided. The Dava Way (M/FR/OS/055) scored well primarily due to the good connections it provided to the countryside. Clunyhill (M/FR/OS/017) scored well as it is an important landscape feature and provides multiple signed paths. Mannachie Park (M/FR/OS/25) scored well due to its location adjacent to new development, the lit paths and well equipped playspace. The Mosset Burn (M/FR/OS/013) scored well as it is a well maintained attractive riverside environment and provides a setting for the war memorial and Castlehill. Muiry Council Wood (M/FR/OS/001) scored well due to its biodiversity value and good path network. Forres Enterprise Park (M/FR/OS/50) scored well due to the high quality of the landscaping that provides an attractive setting to the Park and the path network. Cumiskie Crescent (M/FR/OS/041) scored well as it was well overlooked playspace. Suenos Stone (M/FR/OS/57) scored well due to the well maintained setting for the stone and the connections to the cycle path.

15 sites fall within the lowest quality category.

Accessibility contributed to the low scoring for some of these sites, either due to lack of any footpaths or only rough informal footpaths being available. Some spaces scored poorly due to their lack of any obvious function or their condition. These sites are discussed further below.

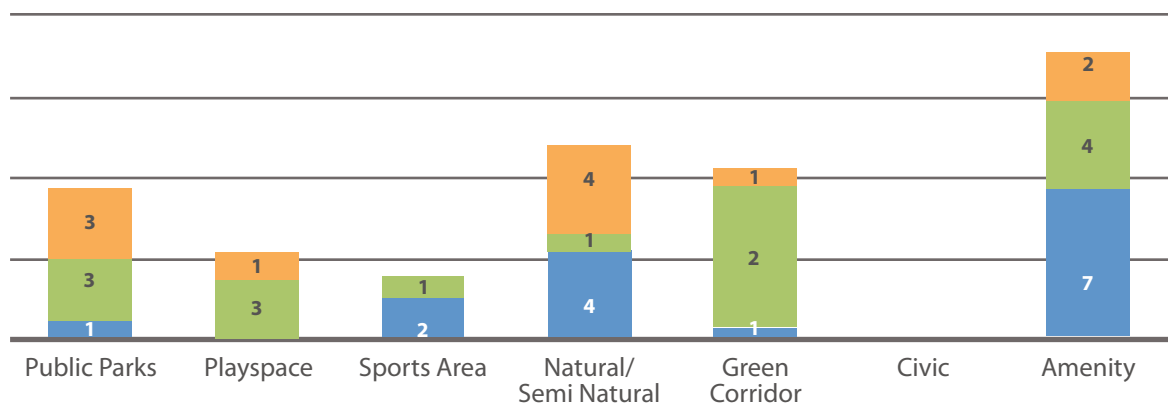
62% of sites were classed as either as good or very good when considered against the quality criteria. This can be broken down by typology, which shows the proportion of poor sites is highest within amenity typology.

Number of Sites

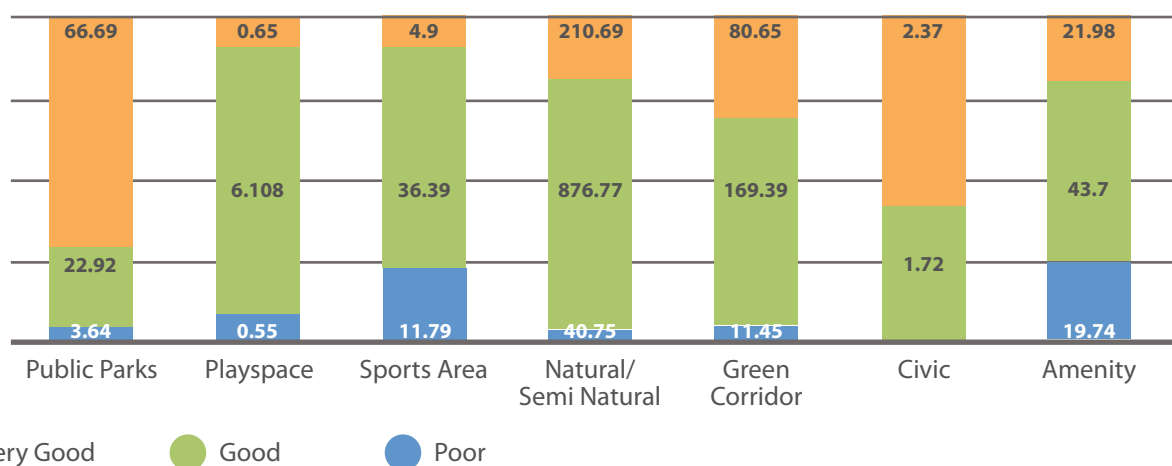
Very Good 11 Good 14 Poor 15



Quality by Typology - Site Numbers



Quality by Typology - Area (ha)



The poor park is at Califer Road (M/FR/OS/009) and whilst parts of the space and the diversity of functions (playspace, kickabout, amenity) are good some areas were poorly maintained and unattractive with a lack of landscaping, this detracted from the areas that were good. The sports areas which scored poorly are the Academy playingfields (M/FR/OS/004) and Thornhill Playingfields near the medical centre (M/FR/OS/048) scored poorly as access was poor and the spaces unwelcoming. The natural/semi natural spaces which scored poorly are Mannachie (M/FR/OS/049) due to the overgrown appearance and lack of access but this area has value as screening to development which would otherwise be prominent, Wrights Hill (M/FR/OS/059) scored poorly due to the lack of access to the woodland, Croft Road (M/FR/OS/018) scored poorly due to the poor access and lack of maintenance however this TPO has value as it breaks up development and enhances biodiversity, and Clovenside (M/FR/OS/037) due to the limited access. The green corridor that scored poorly is the path to the flood alleviation of St Leonards Road (M/FR/OS/002) due to the unwelcoming entrances and the lack of diversity.

The amenity sites that scored poorly are at Forbeshill Hilltop Road (M/FR/OS/051) where the function of the space was unclear and access poor, at Twinning Link (M/FR/OS/021) where the function of the space was unclear and it was questionable if the area was open to the public, Lochyhill Farm Track (M/FR/OS/052) whilst creating an edge to the settlement the limited planting and lack of connections meant a poor score, the site at Mannachie Road (M/FR/OS/030) scored poorly as it was grass only and primarily a traffic

management tool, the site at Woodside Drive (M/FR/OS/007) scored poorly due to the lack of access and overgrown appearance of the wood, the site off Drumduan Road (M/FR/OS/035) scored poorly as it had restricted access and limited function being a grass area behind housing, and the flood alleviation site at off Pilmuir Road West (M/FR/OS/044) scored poorly due to its unwelcoming appearance and restricted access.

Whilst in terms of numbers the poor sites make up 38% of the number of open spaces in terms of area poor sites make up a relatively small area (24.22ha), which is approximately 6.8% of the total area of open space. In general they make up relatively small areas of their respective typologies with the exception of Sports areas where there area of poor sites is greater than the good sites.



1.3 Accessibility

See section 5.1 for a description of how accessibility has been assessed.

Overall 98% of households in Forres were within 400m of an audited site. Similarly 97% of households in Forres were within 400m of a good or very good quality site. The gaps in provision are small parts of Anderson Crescent, parts of Pilmuir Road West and at Forbeshill parts of Birkenhillock Road and Earlsland Crescent. See Plan 3 which shows the access buffer for good and very good audited sites.

86% of households are with 400m of a Public Park and Garden, Playspace or Sports Area (or other sites containing these functions). Approximately 81% of household are within 400m of a good or very good Public Park and Garden, Playspace or Sports Area (or other sites containing these functions). See Plan 4 which shows the access buffer for good and very good Public Parks and Gardens, Playspace and Sports Areas.

The main gaps in provision and potential solutions are set out below:

Pilmuir – Pilmuir Road West, Califer Road, Drumine Road and Blaven Court. Improvements to the park at Califer Road (M/FR/OS/009) would provide access to better quality provision.

East of Forres – Croft Road, Doune Park, Springfield Court, Findhorn Road and eastern parts of Drumduan Road. This area is within reasonable walking distance to Grant Park ranging between 500 – 650m and any new provision in this area would be difficult due to the extent of private ownership.

Drumduan Park – Enhancing the quality and function of the open space to the south west of Drumduan Park (M/FR/OS/035) would improve access to better quality provision.

Forbeshill – Birkenhillock Road, north of Hilltop Road, Earlsland Crescent and parts of Highfield. Improving access to provision in this area is difficult due to the street layout which is primarily cul de sacs. Improving and enhancing the function of the site on Hilltop Road (M/FR/OS/051) would improve provision.

St Leonards Road – East St Leonards Road, Mackenzie Drive, Brewsters Drive, Adam Drive and St Leonards Court. Improving provision in this area is difficult and the best option would be to diversify the function of existing spaces to include some play provision.

Woodside Drive – Woodside Drive, Woodside Park and Loch View. There are areas of open space within these areas that were not audited due to their size. The function and quality could be enhanced as these are mainly just grass areas between housing.

2 Open Space Requirements New Development Sites

Minimum requirements for open space provision in sites designated within the Local Development Plan are set out below. These should be read in conjunction with the Strategy Standards and Park Hierarchy Guideline which includes definitions of spaces.

R1 Knockomie (South)

Site must provide a pocket park with playspace and kickabout area.

R2 Knockomie (North)

Development has consent. New ENV's to be created to protect the open space provision within these consents.

R3 Ferrylea

Phase 1 and 2 have consent for development. There is a requirement for a Pocket Park within the conditions of the phase 1 consent. Future phases must provide a Pocket Park within the south eastern part of the site. Path links must be provided to the woodland to the south of the site. The masterplan shows extensive landscape planting and woodland which must be provided. This must include connecting paths to encourage more active use of these areas to be made.



R4 Lochyhill and LONG 1

The most northerly part of R4 has consent for development and includes provision of a playspace and a central open space to the north of Lochyhill cottages. The remaining part of R4 must provide a Pocket Park in the western part of the site. The LONG 1 must include a Neighbourhood Park with play area and pitch. The Neighbourhood Park must link to the neighbouring woodland and through to the provision that is made within R4. The Local Development Plan highlights that extensive structural landscaping must be provided to integrate the development into the surrounding landscape. This landscaping must also seek to connect open space provision and provide connecting paths to encourage more active use of these areas to be made.

R5 Burdshaugh

Development consented.

R6, R10, and LONG 2 –Dallas Dhu/Mannachy Masterplan

A masterplan is being developed for this site and open space provision must reflect the masterplan. The draft masterplan shows a natural open space corridor which the Dava Way will run through.

R7 Thornhill

Development consented with ENV designations made in the 2015 Local Development Plan.

R8 Balnageth

R8 being on the edge of the settlement is distant from existing provision and therefore improving access to existing provision and proposed provision within the neighbouring development site will be necessary.

R9 Plantation Cottage

Development must incorporate a Pocket Park within its open space provision.

R11 Pilmuir West

The development brief for this sites proposes a central open space and provision must be made for a small playspace within this. Improving access through the flood alleviation site would make existing provision more accessible

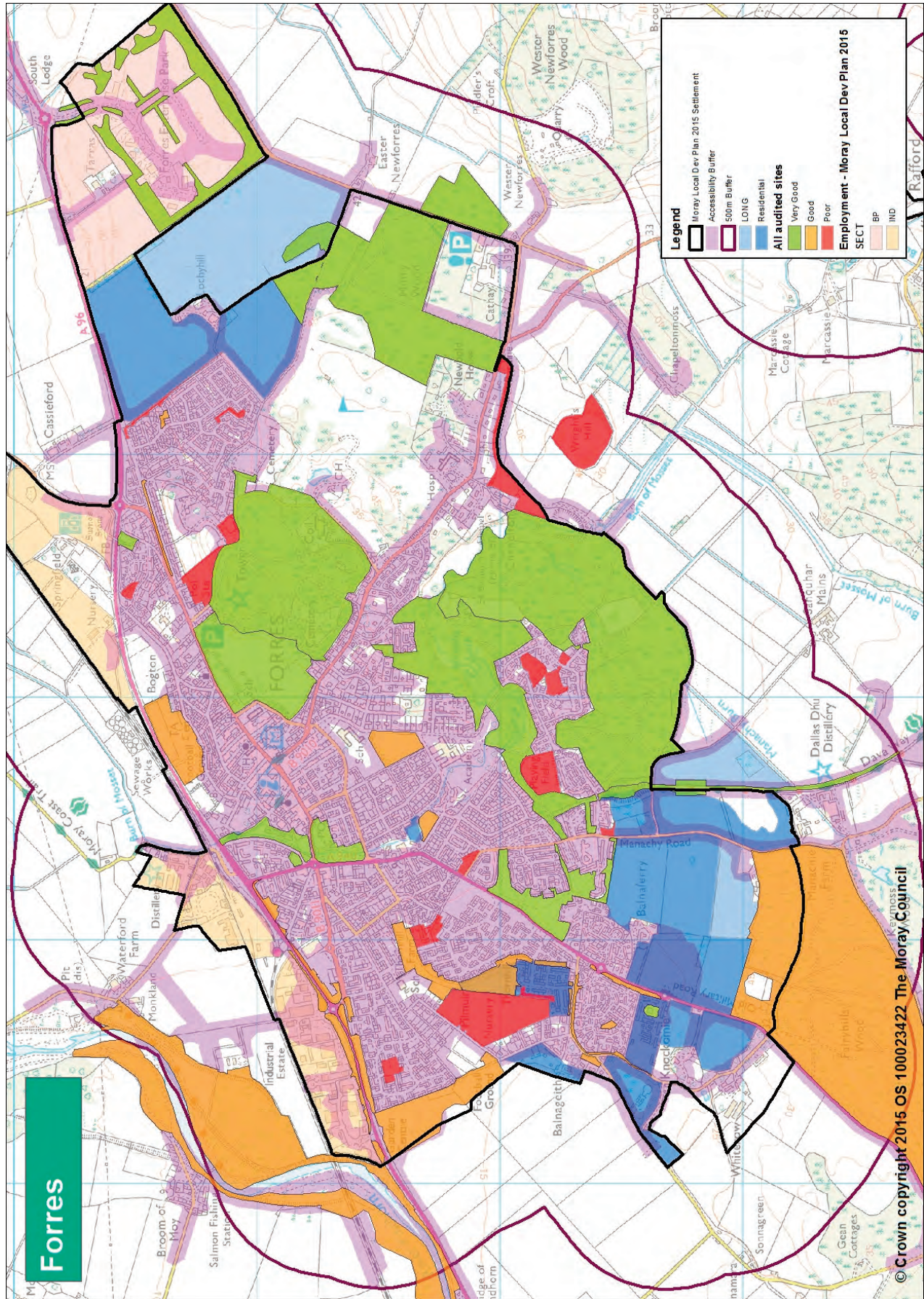
LONG 3 West Park Croft

Provision of open space will depend on the location and function of open space within R3 Ferrylea. A Pocket Park is likely to be required and footpath connections to the neighbouring woodland to the south must be provided.

BP2 Enterprise Park Forres Extension

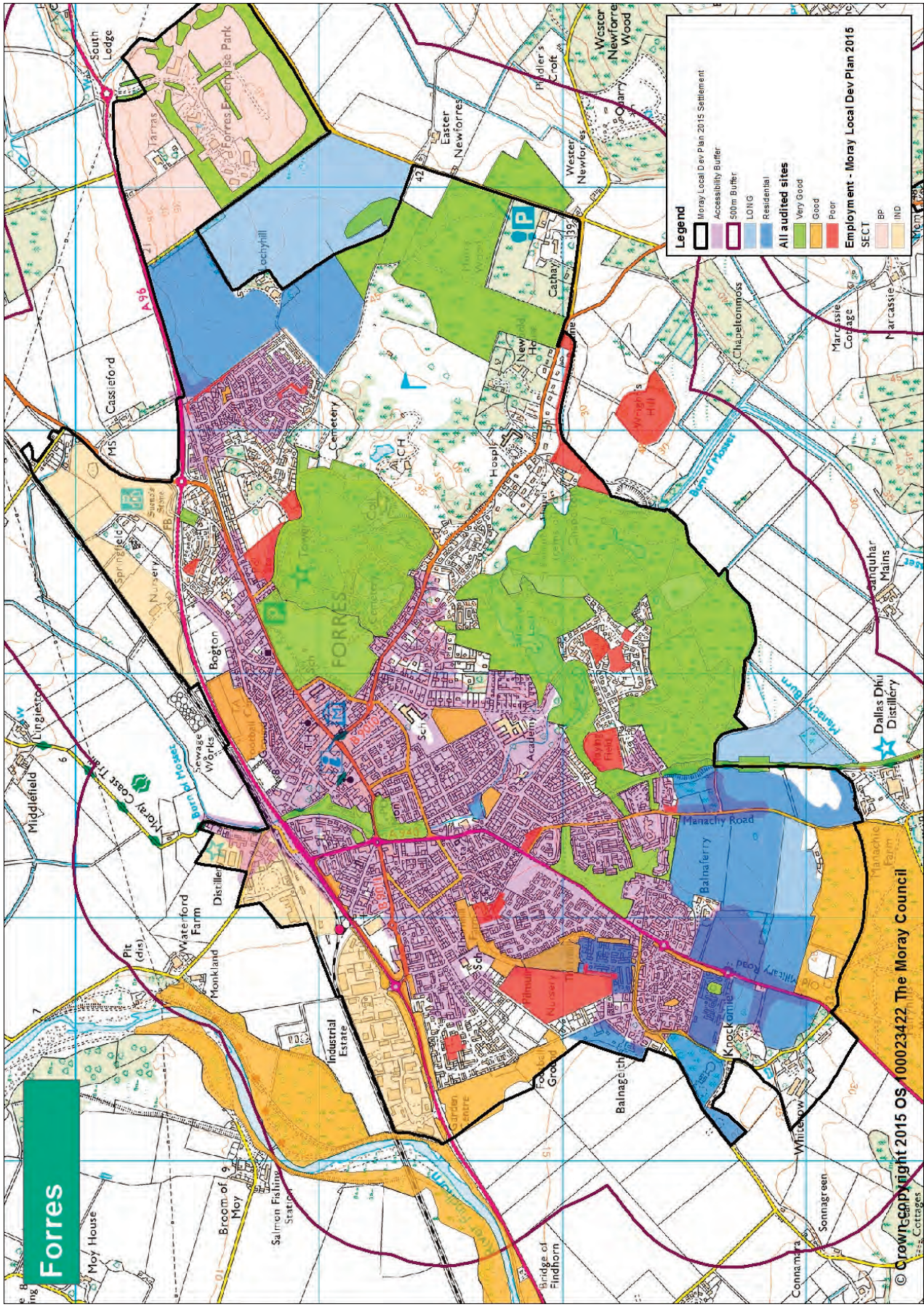
BP2 requires a high quality environmental setting and active use of this setting should be encouraged through provision of elements such as seating areas, connecting paths and public art. A landscape plan is required by the site designation text to demonstrate that a high amenity gateway site will be delivered. Proposals must conform with the high amenity standard of the Enterprise Park. Extensive structural landscaping and open spaces must be provided to integrate development into the landscape and complement the existing business park.





Forres







3. Audited Sites Summary

The table below provides a summary of the audited sites in Forres. It gives a brief description of their key qualities and features and if there is any scope for development within the site. The final column gives a recommendation in respect of the future status of the site within the next Local Development Plan. A Community Action Plan is being prepared by the community of Forres with assistance of the Moray Council Community Support Unit. This is likely to include actions the relate to open space.

Audit Site Ref	Site Name	Ownership/ Responsible for Management	Audit Typology	Area (Ha)	Quality Score	Reasons for Poor	Park Hierarchy	Key qualities and features	Development Opportunities	ENV status/ recommendation
M/FR/OS/001	Muiry Council Wood	Mixed Trust/ Moray Council	Natural/Semi	36.4 8	Very Good			Mixed woodland with good path network. Woodland character of Forres.	Development – None.	Existing ENV 6 Green Corridors/Natural/Semi Natural. Designation to be retained.
M/FR/OS/002	Flood Alleviation Access	TBC	Green Corridor	2.95	Poor	Unwelcoming entrance, lacks signage, lacks diversity.		Hardcore track defines settlement edge. Rough grass. Provides walking/cycling route to woodland.	Development – None. Access – Create more welcoming entrances and provide signage.	Existing ENV3 amenity greenspace. Change designation to “Green Corridor”
M/FR/OS/003	Fairyhill Woods	Private	Natural/Semi	76	Good			Woodland that provides backdrop and setting to development areas Will define settlement edge. Informal paths.	Development – None. Access – Formalise paths and provide signage.	Northern part ENV6 Green Corridors/Natural/Semi Natural. Designation to be retained. Potential to consider extension if further development is proposed in the new LDP. At present sufficient policy protection in terms of Policy E10 Countryside Around Towns and Policy E4 Trees and Development.
M/FR/OS/004	Academy Playing Field	Moray Council	Sports Area	2.19	Poor		Sports Area	School pitch accessed by rough paths. Managed grass and steep verges.	Development – None.	Existing ENV5 Sports Area. Designation to be retained.
M/FR/OS/005	Fleurs Place	Moray Council	Playspace	0.54	Good		Neighbourhood Park	Managed grass with small play area and goal posts. Trees/ Scrub alongside of Mosset Burn. Informal paths across site which lead to bridge over Mosset Burn giving access to Forres Academy.	Development – None. Access – Provide signage for connecting path.	Existing ENV4 Playspace for children and teenagers. Designation to be retained.
M/FR/OS/007	Woodside Drive	Private	Amenity	1.7	Poor	Lack of access and overgrown appearance.		Area of mixed woodland not easily accessible. Provides character and identity to development.	Development – None.	Existing ENV6 Green Corridor/Natural/Semi Natural . Consider changing designation to ENV3 Amenity Greenspace to reflect the function of the space which is primarily to add character to the development.
M/FR/OS/009	Califer Road	Mixed ownership	Public Parks	0.61	Poor	Poorly maintained in places and lacks landscaping.	Neighbourhood Park	Central open space for relatively dense development. Provides playspace and goal posts. Mix of surface including grass, tar and paving. Parts lack maintenance.	Development – None.	Existing ENV1 Public Parks. Designation to be retained. Landscaping should be improved.
M/FR/OS/012	Bogton Road Park	Moray Council	Public Parks	4.56	Good		Neighbourhood Park	Large parkland area with mature trees and shrubs. Attractive setting for town with views from A96. Includes playspace and goal posts.	Development – None. Opportunity to define the function of each area more clearly. Access – Create clearer routes through sites and to play equipment/pitch.	Existing ENV1 Public Parks. Designation to be retained
M/FR/OS/013	Mosset Burn	Moray Council	Public Parks	4.48	Very Good		Public Gardens	Attractive parkland along banks of Mosset Burn with pond, various paths and mature trees. Central to Forres. Setting for war memorial and Castlehill and entrance to town centre. Attractive and well	Development – None.	Existing ENV1 Public Parks. Designation to be retained.

M/FR/OS/014	Grant Park	Moray Council	Public Parks	12.89	Very Good			Public Park	maintained planting. Welcoming formal park with multiple functions. Mature trees and avenues. Provides pitches and playspace as well as pavilion and public toilets. Attractive sunken garden with water feature. Can host public events. Floral displays. Connects to Clunyhill. Setting for historic town centre and key component to its character.	Development – None.	Existing ENV1 Public Parks. Designation to be retained.
M/FR/OS/017	Cluny Hill	Moray Council	Natural/Semi	32	Very Good				Wooded hill which is a key feature of Forres and is prominent in the landscape and visible from many vantage points. Setting for cemetery and buildings. Good signposted path network. Includes historic Nelson Monument which provides a view point across the area. Connects to other open spaces.	Development - opportunities restricted to brownfield sites and within the curtilage of existing buildings only. Access – Improve quality of key paths/routes.	Existing ENV6 Green Corridor/Natural/Semi Natural. Designation to be retained.
M/FR/OS/018	Croft Road	TBC	Natural/Semi	0.29	Poor	No access and lacks maintenance. Value as breaks up development and enhances biodiversity.			Group of mature trees that are covered by a TPO. Break up and provide amenity value to development.	Development – None.	Existing ENV6 Green Corridor/Natural/Semi Natural. Designation to be retained.
M/FR/OS/020	Sanquhar Loch and Wood	Moray Council	Natural/Semi	23	Very Good				Attractive woodland with paths and trails. Sanquhar Loch provides a focal point. Part of woodland character of Forres. Siltation issues with Loch. Access for timber extraction difficult due to topography. Open ditch with grass. Functional.	Development - opportunities restricted to brownfield sites and within the curtilage of existing buildings only. Development – None	Existing ENV6 Green Corridor/Natural/Semi Natural. Amend boundary to exclude housing on eastern edge.
M/FR/OS/021	Rear of Twinning Link – off Ferry Road	TBC	Amenity	0.33	Poor	Function unclear and questionable if was open to public.					Existing ENV3 Amenity Greenspaces. Consider changing to ENV9 Other Functional Greenspaces.
M/FR/OS/022	Forbeshill Playspace	Moray Council	Playspace	0.15	Good			Pocket Park	Playspace within residential development. Mature trees add to character.	Development – None	ENV4 Playspace for children and teenagers. Designation to be retained.
M/FR/OS/024	Sanquhar Wood	Trust	Natural/Semi	56.66	Very Good				Attractive mature woodland with paths and trails. Part of landscape setting and character of Forres. Edge of settlement. Some ponds and meadows add to diversity and interest. Dedicated mountain bike trails.	Development – None, other than associated with flood alleviation.	Existing ENV6 Green Corridor/Natural/Semi Natural. Designation to be retained.
M/FR/OS/025	Mannachie Park	Moray Council	Public Parks	5.8	Very Good			Neighbourhood Park	Large parkland area which connects through to several housing developments. Generally open grass with some tree and shrub planting. Lit pathways. Play area.	Development – None. Care should be taken not to erode edges. Opportunity to enhance quality of space through additional planting.	Existing ENV1 Public Park and ENV4 Playspace for children and teenagers. Designation to be retained. Opportunity to enhance quality of space through additional planting.
M/FR/OS/027	Roysvale Park	Moray Council	Sports Area	2.17	Good			Neighbourhood Park	Large grassed area with pavilion and pitches. Mature trees around edges. Small playspace. Path around edge.	Development – None	Existing ENV5 Sports Areas. Designation to be retained.
M/FR/OS/029	Randolf Lane/ Pilmuir Playing Field	Moray Council	Public Parks	2.5	Good			Neighbourhood Park	Grassed area and woodland. Provides a pitch and playspace. Well-lit paths provide well used routes to from facilities.	Development – None. Opportunity to provide seating at play	Existing ENV5 Sports Areas. Consider changing to ENV1 Public Park given multiple functions. Opportunity to



M/FR/OS/030	Mannachie Road	Moray Council	Amenity	0.4	Poor	Grass only and primarily appears to be for traffic management.		Grass area. Sets housing back from junction.	equipment/pitch. Development – None	provide seating at play equipment/pitch. Existing ENV3 Amenity Greenspace. Consider extending to east to include trees planted on verge.
M/FR/OS/035	Drumduan Park	Moray Council	Amenity	0.71	Poor	Access through narrow path, and no clear function (just grass).		Relatively flat grass area surrounded by woodland. Access through narrow path between houses. Part of wider woodland setting. No play equipment	Development – None. Opportunity to create clearer function e.g. playspace, goal posts, woodland garden. Make entrance more welcoming.	Existing ENV9 Other Functional Greenspaces. Consider changing designation to Amenity Greenspace.
M/FR/OS/036	A96 Corridor Forres	BEAR	Amenity	4.34	Good			Roadside are providing variety of paths, grass and tree and shrub planting.	Development – None other than associated with A96 or improving pedestrian access across this. Access – Improve pedestrian crossing and footpath connections.	Consider designation as green corridor and encourage further planting and pedestrian access improvements.
M/FR/OS/037	Clovenside	Private	Natural/Semi	1.9	Poor	No formal access.		Woodland with limited access. Links to other woodland areas contributing to the woodland character of the area. Provides a backdrop to housing.	Development – None	Existing ENV9 Other Functional Greenspaces. Consider changing designation to Natural/Semi Natural.
M/FR/OS/040	Grantown Road – Knockomie	Private	Green Corridor	0.49	Good			Roadside landscaping incorporating path that is in parts segregated from the road. Mix of trees, shrubs and grass. Provides a more attractive edge to development than fencing.	Development – None	Existing ENV3 Amenity Greenspace. Consider changing designation to Green Corridor and extending this to similar areas to the east.
M/FR/OS/041	Cumiskie Crescent	Private	Playspace	0.24	Very Good		Pocket Park	Square with playspace in centre. Playspace surrounded by grass and young trees.	Development – None	Existing ENV3 Amenity Greenspace. Consider changing designation to Playspace.
M/FR/OS/042	Balnageith Rise	Private	Playspace	0.14	Good		Pocket Park	Playspace to the rear of housing. Low level boundary fencing and shrub planting.	Development – None	Existing ENV4 Playspace for children and teenagers. Designation to be retained.
M/FR/OS/043	Knockomie Amenity	Private	Amenity	0.9	Good			Roadside landscaping incorporating path that is in parts segregated from the road. Mix of trees, shrubs and grass. Provides a more attractive edge to development than fencing.	Development – None	Small part of site is an existing ENV3 Amenity Greenspace. Consider expanding designation and changing to green corridor.
M/FR/OS/044	East of Logie Park - Pilmuir	Flood Alleviation	Amenity	6.82	Poor	Unwelcoming appearance and restricted access.			Development Opportunity to create more welcoming entrances. Opportunities to rationalise and improve the open space in conjunction with wider redevelopment proposals being considered as part of the review of the Local Development Plan	
M/FR/OS/045	West of Thornhill	Private	Public Parks	2.7	Good		Pocket Park	Open, primarily grass, park with playspace. Lit path network which connects from housing to Pilmuir. Connects to other open spaces.	Development – None	Existing ENV1 Public Parks and Gardens, ENV3 Amenity Greenspace and ENV4 Playspace for children and teenagers. Consider combining designations as ENV1 Public Park and Garden and encourage



M/FR/OS/048	Thornhill Playingfield	Moray Council	Sports Area	1	Poor	Unwelcoming appearance and access poor.	Sports Area	Pitch on raised area adjacent to housing. Sloping grass verges up to pitch. Small area of mature woodland. Pedestrian route through to medical centre.	Development – None. Access – Improve quality of routes to pitch and provide signage.	tree planting to add diversity.
M/FR/OS/049	Mannachie	Private	Natural/Semi	0.18	Poor	Overgrown appearance and lack of access. Has value as screens development.		Trees and shrubs which soften entrance and edge of development.	Development – None	Existing ENV5 Sports Areas and ENV6 Green Corridor/Natural/Semi Natural. Retain designations.
M/FR/OS/050	Enterprise Park Forres	Highlands and Islands Enterprise	Amenity	12.78	Very Good			Woodland and grass providing landscaping to the Enterprise Park. Creates an attractive setting and contains the Enterprise Park in the landscape. Provides well used network of paths.	Development – None	Existing ENV6 Green Corridor/Natural/Semi Natural. Retain designation.
M/FR/OS/051	Forbeshill Hilltop Road	Moray Council	Amenity	0.25	Poor	Function unclear and access constrained due to level changes.		Area of open space with changes in level. Primarily grass with some trees. Provides amenity to immediate housing but due to level changes does not provide other functions.	No	No.
M/FR/OS/052	Lochhill Farm Track	Private	Amenity	0.43	Poor	Limited planting and lacks footpath connections. Has value as creates settlement edge.		Track to farm which is used for walking. Trees soften edge of settlement/development.	Access – Improve connections in association with development of R4.	No
M/FR/OS/055	Dava Way	Private	Green Corridor	3.16	Very Good			Entrance to and first stages of Dava Way. Former railway with good path which connects to woodland and wider countryside.	Development – None	Consider designation as Green Corridor.
M/FR/OS/056	Drumduan Road	Private	Amenity	0.37	Good			Roses and shrubs in beds. Pavement through provides segregation from road in parts. Welcoming entrance to Forres, reflecting more formal character of Grant Park.	No	No.
M/FR/OS/057	Sueno's Stone	Historic Scotland	Amenity	0.38	Very Good			Setting for historic Suenos Stone and entrance to bridge/cycle path to Kinloss/Findhorn. Primarily well maintained grass with landscaped areas on ramp leading up to bridge.	Development – None	Consider designation as Amenity Greenspace.
M/FR/OS/058	River Findhorn	Private/Flood Alleviation	Green Corridor	41.83	Good			Riverside corridor which provides attractive walks and woodland areas. Around Mackenzie Cruickshank paths are informal but rest are good well surfaced routes. Provides part of landscape setting to Forres.	Access – Improve path signage from A96.	No. Currently out with settlement boundary with eastern parts of the river side within the CAT.
M/FR/OS/059	Wrights Hill	Private	Natural/Semi	4.46	Poor	Lack of access.		Wooded knoll which is distinctive as it is within a relatively flat area. Opportunity to enhance access.	Development – None Access – provide clearer access.	Currently within ENV10 Regeneration Proposals where educational/community gardens/visitor uses compatible with flood storage reservoir are suggested.
M/FR/OS/062	Flood	Flood	Amenity	7.5	Good			Flood alleviation channel which provides		Currently shown as FA2.



