

 Executive 16 April 2014		Agenda Item No. 8(B)
Title	Local List of Historic Parks and Gardens – Confirmation of Boundaries – Part I	
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Wards of the District directly affected	All	
Is the report private and confidential and not for publication by virtue of a paragraph of schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, following the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006?	No	
Date and meeting when issue was last considered and relevant minute number		
Background Papers	Local Plan Policy DAP 11	

Contrary to the policy framework:	No
Contrary to the budgetary framework:	No
Key Decision?	No
Included within the Forward Plan? (If yes include reference number)	Yes
Equality & Sustainability Impact Assessment Undertaken	Not relevant

Officer/Councillor Approval		
Officer Approval	Date	Name
Chief Executive/Deputy Chief Executive	27.3.14	Bill Hunt
Head of Service	27.3.14	Tracy Darke
CMT	27.3.14	
Section 151 Officer	27.3.14	Mike Snow
Monitoring Officer		
Finance	27.3.14	Jenny Clayton
Portfolio Holder(s)	27.3.14	Councillor John Hammon
Consultation & Community Engagement		
Public consultation was approved by the Executive on 11 September 2013 on boundaries for the Locally Listed Parks and Gardens as approved under Local Plan Policy DAP 11.		
Final Decision?	Yes/No	
Suggested next steps (if not final decision please set out below)		
Part II boundaries will be brought forward after further public consultation.		

1. **SUMMARY**

- 1.1 The report is to seek Executive confirmation for boundaries - Locally Listed Historic Parks and Gardens as defined in Appendix A .

2. **RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 That the Council approve the boundaries for the Locally Listed Parks and Gardens as named under Local Plan Policy DAP 11 (the Local Register) and as defined in Appendix A and the publication of the boundaries contained in Appendix A as appropriate.
- 2.2 That a second report be brought back following the results of re-consultation for those parks and gardens on Appendix B.
- 2.3 That authority be delegated to the Conservation Officer in consultation with the Head of Development Services and the Portfolio Holder for Development Services to define boundaries where clarification is required(for those boundaries defined in Appendix A) and to add to the historical information relating to each park and garden , as appropriate .

3. **REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATION**

- 3.1 Warwick District Local Plan contains a policy which supports the establishment of a Local List of Historic Parks and Gardens, together with their protection. Local Plan Policy DAP 11 contains a list of local parks and gardens and also makes provision for additions to be made to this list. At the time the original list was established, boundaries were not provided to the parks and gardens.
- 3.2 Since the establishment of the list, two additional gardens have been added and at the time of their approval, boundaries were established. In order to fully administer the policy within the Local Plan, the provision of boundaries to define the extent of the historic park or garden is needed.
- 3.3 Following research and public consultation boundaries have now been defined for parks and gardens on the List in Policy DAP 11 and these are contained in Appendices A . As a result of the public consultation changes have been suggested to certain boundaries which will require additional research and public consultation, these are set out in Appendix B, or will not be approved as part of this report. The results of the public consultation for parks and gardens in Appendices A and B are contained in Appendix C.
- 3.4 A further report will be brought back to the Executive following further research and public consultation on those parks and gardens in Appendix C.

4. **POLICY FRAMEWORK**

- 4.1 The establishment of boundaries is within the confines of Policy DAP 11 of the Local Plan.
- 4.2 **Fit for the Future** – as the establishment of boundaries is directly in line with the Local Plan Policy, this would accord with the Council’s Fit for the Future Policies.

5. **BUDGETARY FRAMEWORK**

- 5.1 There are no direct budgetary implications by providing boundaries to Locally Listed Parks and Gardens.

6. **ALTERNATIVE OPTION(S) CONSIDERED**

- 6.1 The alternative option would be to continue without boundaries to the parks and gardens. This would not be in accordance with the long term recommendations of the Local Plan and the appropriate Local Plan Policy. A further alternative would be to wait until re-consultation has taken place on parks and gardens in Appendix C, however without the establishment of boundaries as soon as possible, the Council is vulnerable in cases where the boundaries of Locally Listed Parks and Gardens are at question either as part of the planning process or as part of a planning appeal process.