

Decision under Delegated Powers
To approve the adoption of public open space at former Rectory, Steeple Row, Loughborough

Officer Making the Decision

Head of Cleansing and Open Spaces

Recommendation

That the Borough Council adopts land at former Rectory, Steeple Row, Loughborough – Planning Application Ref: P/03/2984/2 (see plan below, areas outlined in red).

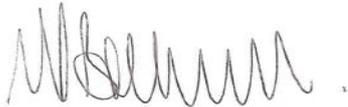
Reason

To provide an appropriate mechanism for ensuring the maintenance of the open space to be adopted and to comply with the Section 106 agreement associated with the planning permission at the site.

Authority for Decision

The Section 106 agreement entered into by the Council and the developer contains provisions for the land to be adopted by the Council once certain conditions have been met. These conditions have been met.

Decision and Date



Matt Bradford – Head of Cleansing and Open Spaces
7th December 2017

Background

Under the provisions of the Corporate Plan to 2016 - 20, there is a commitment to ensure that a growth in homes and infrastructure benefits residents through improved community facilities, affordable housing and superfast broadband.

In addition the Corporate Plan makes a commitment to encourage healthy lifestyles for all our residents through physical activity programmes and the provision of sports facilities and green spaces.

Planning agreements negotiated with developers and land owners under Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) provide a vehicle for the delivery of contributions towards ongoing maintenance of public open spaces.

Detail

Developers have prepared and maintained the open space as a wild flower garden to a standard acceptable to the Borough Council.

In accordance with the Section 106 agreements, the freehold of the following lands is now to transfer to the Borough Council:

Transfer from Willett Homes

Planning Refs: P/03/2984/2

Financial Implications

£9945.20 open spaces maintenance sum has been agreed by the Borough Council from the site owner for maintenance of all public open spaces on the development (0.115 hectares). This sum will be paid to the Borough Council as part of the adoption process.

The annual maintenance is to be carried out by volunteers from the local community. The maintenance sum is to be used for ongoing tree maintenance and repairs to paths, fencing, etc.

Risk Management

No risks have been identified

Key Decision:	No
Background Papers	None

