South Lowestoft area
Existing green spaces in the **South Lowestoft** area
Summary of findings and recommendations for the South Lowestoft area

Biodiversity in the South Lowestoft area

Key findings
The area is characterised by the coast and the Waveney Valley. Key findings for South Lowestoft include:

- The green corridors extending from Lake Lothing along Tom Crisp Way and Castleton Avenue connect a network of green spaces. These are publicly accessible and contribute positively to the public realm. They encourage people to use for walking and cycling and provide habitats for wildlife.
- Pakefield Cliffs and the beach provide semi-natural areas for wildlife and expansive areas that can be used by local people and visitors for recreational purposes.
- The southern boundary of Carlton Colville is not well integrated into the countryside.
- Existing hedgerows and trees provide habitat for wildlife and are an important characteristic of the Strategic Gap between South Lowestoft and Kessingland.
- The area west of Carlton Colville the Waveney Valley is a ‘strategic river corridor’ and ‘wetland habitat zone’ providing important habitats and connections between habitats associated with the coast and the Broads.

Recommendations
Biodiversity in the South Lowestoft area is closely linked to the Waveney Valley and the coast. The following could be considered to retain its value:

- Wildlife areas that form part of the larger ecological corridor in the Waveney Valley should be protected.
- Consider the implementation of schemes to reinforce hedgerows with native species, as appropriate, to improve habitat connectivity. This should be considered as part of a long-term approach to hedgerow management and enhancement. This will also help improve the integration of the town boundary with the surrounding open countryside.
- Native structural planting should be used to link new development and settlement edges into the wider landscape.
- Consider ways to manage open spaces to provide greater benefit for biodiversity.
Natural and Semi-Natural Green Space
in the South Lowestoft area

Key findings
Access to natural and semi-natural green space is good for people living in Pakefield and Oulton Broad. Access to natural and semi-natural sites for people living in Kirkley is limited and does not meet many of the ANGSt standards recommended by Natural England. Some shortfalls may be partially offset by the proximity of the residential area to the beach. Key findings for South Lowestoft include:

- Several significant sites are protected for their local and international value as wildlife habitats such as the Carlton Marshes.
- Accessible semi-natural green space available to pedestrians and cyclists is likely to encourage greater levels of use. Access is likely to contribute towards improving the public perception of an area when well maintained.
- The southern urban boundary of Carlton and Carlton Colville are not well integrated into the open countryside.
- The Strategic Gap between Carlton Colville and Kessingland provides visual connections to the open countryside and maintains the separation between the settlements. This is important for local character.

Recommendations
Natural and semi-natural green space is an important characteristic within and adjacent to the built up area of South Lowestoft. The following suggestions could be considered:

- The Strategic Gap between South Lowestoft and Kessingland should continue to be protected.
- Signage should be improved to encourage greater use of public rights of way and footpaths such as the Angles Way.
Playing Pitches and Outdoor Sports Facilities
in the South Lowestoft area

Key findings
South Lowestoft has a diverse variety of sports pitch provision in the District. Similar to North Lowestoft, the large population creates demand that outstrips supply. Closely linked with North Lowestoft and Kessingland, the need for a sports hub south of Carlton Colville has been identified as part of the Local Plan. An overview of existing provision is set out below:

Pitch based sports:
- Cricket: There is no provision of cricket wickets in South Lowestoft. There is no evidence of demand above what is available in North Lowestoft.
- Football: Current provision consists of 5 adult pitches, 4 youth pitches and 3 junior pitches. There is an existing deficit of 0.5 adult pitches, 3 youth pitches and 1 junior pitch. Consider as part of the Oakes Farm sport and leisure allocation.
- Hockey: There are 7 adult hockey teams and 1 youth team that use facilities available at East Point Academy. Existing facilities meet current demand.
- Rugby: No rugby pitches are provided in South Lowestoft. Needs are met by facilities available in North Lowestoft and Beccles & Worlingham.
- Synthetic pitches: Existing facilities located at East Point Academy and Kirkley & Pakefield CSSC provide good access artificial 3G pitches. An additional full sized 3G pitch would meet existing demand in South Lowestoft. Consider as part of the Oakes Farm sport and leisure allocation.
- Pitches with no community access include: 6 adult football pitches, 4 youth football pitches, 20 junior football pitches, 1 cricket wicket and 1 rugby pitch.

Non-pitch based sports:
- Athletics: There are no formal athletics facilities located in the District. The nearest facility is located in Great Yarmouth, however, concerns have been raised relating to accessibility and availability. Provision of a 200m j-track (with the potential to extend into a full 400m track at a later date) would benefit South Lowestoft and the surrounding area. Consider as part of the Oakes Farm sport and leisure allocation.
- Bowls: There are 4 bowling greens in South Lowestoft. This meets existing demand. Future population growth suggests that provision of an additional green could be explored in conjunction with existing bowls clubs if required.
- Netball: There are 5 netball courts are available at East Point Academy.
- Tennis: There are 8 courts available at Kensington Gardens and Nicolas Everitt Park. Currently there is a shortfall of 2 courts and additional facilities are likely to be required to meet demand created by future growth. Consider as part of the Oakes Farm sport and leisure allocation.
**Recommendations**

There is a significant deficit of sports pitch facilities in South Lowestoft. Improved provision and access to facilities is likely to benefit Lowestoft and the wider area. The following suggestions could be considered:

- 9 youth and 9 junior football pitches should be provided as part of the Oakes Farm development.
- If there is an identified demand for a bowling green in South Lowestoft provision and additional green could be considered at Oakes Farm. This should involve discussions with existing bowling clubs in the area.
- Provide a 200m J-track to provide running training facilities that can be extended into a full 400m track in the future if the opportunity arises at Oakes Farm.
- The provision of 4 tennis courts with flood lighting could be considered as part of the Oakes Farm development.
- A cycle circuit as part of the Oakes Farm development for training and racing purposes should be considered.
- School-club links at schools with no community use should be encouraged to improve netball provision. Potentially consider netball provision as part of the Oakes Farm allocation if is a demonstrated need.
- Explore potential use of youth and junior playing pitches located on school sites that could be used to meet current demand.
- Support local clubs to deliver a full sized 3G pitch that can be used in all weather.
- Support sports clubs and community groups with funding applications for pitch and facility improvements where possible.
**Parks and Gardens**
in the South Lowestoft area

**Key findings**
Parks and gardens are integral to the green infrastructure network in South Lowestoft. Existing provision is equivalent to 0.66ha per 1000 people which is higher than the recommended standard of 0.4ha per 1000 people.

- There is 1 destination park, 2 local parks, 3 satellite parks and 2 formal gardens in South Lowestoft. The area has the largest number of parks of any of the assessed areas in the District.
- Half of all open space is in the form of a park or garden.
- South Lowestoft has the greatest amount of park and garden space per person in the District.
- Over 50% of population lies within the catchment of a local park and all are within 5km of a destination park.
- All parks are of at least medium quality and offer medium value.
- The residential areas of Pakefield and Whitton have limited access to parks and gardens.

**Recommendations**
Compared to other areas of the District, South Lowestoft has a good number of parks distributed throughout the residential area. To improve their value to the community the following could be considered:

- Improving open spaces located at Bitten Road and Chaukers Crescent to increase their value to the community.
- The provision of good, attractive connections to the new open space proposed in the centre of the Sustainable Urban Neighbourhood will benefit new residents in the area and existing residents in Whitton.
Amenity Green Space
in the South Lowestoft area

Key findings
The amount of green space in South Lowestoft available for informal activities is less than half the amount provided in North Lowestoft. It is also below the District average. These all purpose green spaces are generally larger than 0.5ha and this size is likely to increase the recreational benefits they provide for the wider community. Much of South Lowestoft’s population lies within the catchment of a general purpose green space with the exception of areas located in Whitton and Pakefield. The beach provides additional access to open space with amenity value. Key findings for South Lowestoft include:

- There is a good distribution of general purpose green spaces through the residential area.
- A high proportion of green space to support informal activities is available as part of a space that is capable of supporting a variety of other more formal uses. Most of these sites are larger than 0.5 hectares.
- Most general purpose green spaces offer medium to high value for the community.
- South Lowestoft is the second most deprived area of the District and has second largest deficit of green space available for informal activities.
- South Lowestoft has the best accessibility to green space able to support informal activities in the District. 12% of residents are within 100m walking distance of a usable general purpose green space, 54% are within walking distance of a general purpose green space larger than 0.5ha and 88% are within 1km walking distance of a general purpose green space larger than 1ha.

Recommendations
With the exception of the wards of Whitton and Pakefield the provision of green space to support informal activities is good. Access to quality spaces such as these could be improved by considering the following:

- Improving access to general purpose green space of good quality in the Pakefield and Kirkley area could encourage greater use, benefit the public realm and improve the perception of the area.
- Consider improving green spaces in the Britten Road and Oakwood Road area where there are existing shortfalls of quality open space facilities.
- Consider improving the quality of Bixley Green to encourage greater use, community ownership and raise its value to residents.
Equipped Play Space
in the South Lowestoft area

Key findings
There is a total of 45ha of open space in South Lowestoft with 2.28ha classified as equipped play space (5%). In a similar pattern to North Lowestoft, the area has a large population and the smallest amount of provision in terms of area per person. Key findings for South Lowestoft include:

- There are a total of 30 equipped play spaces in the South Lowestoft area (19 LAPs, 6 LEAPs, 4 NEAP, 1 skate park (1 MUGA)).
- There is an existing deficit of 4.9ha of equipped play space. Existing play space provision is equivalent to 32% of the recommended standard. Given the limited potential to create new green spaces in existing residential areas greater emphasis should be placed on improving quality and value of existing facilities or providing play equipment on existing open spaces, where appropriate, to help mitigate this shortfall.
- South Lowestoft has the lowest provision of equipped play space per 1,000 children in the District (0.37ha). This is half the District average (0.75ha).
- Number of children per hectare of play space in South Lowestoft (2,738) is twice the District average (1,335) and more than seven times that of Southwold & Reydon (356).
- Two thirds of equipped play spaces are LAPs. This is the highest proportion in the District. LAPs are generally associated with providing low value for the community.
- The number of play spaces with equipment for juniors is good. Provision for toddlers and youths is relatively low.
- The highest quality equipped play spaces offering the best value to the community are associated with larger open spaces that support a variety of activities in addition to play.
- South Lowestoft is the second most deprived area in the District and has a disproportionate number of low quality and low value play spaces.
- 8% of residents are within 100m walking distance of a LAP, 27% are within 400m walking distance of a LEAP and 44% are within 1km walking distance of a NEAP.

Recommendations
There are a good number of equipped play spaces in South Lowestoft, however, there is a significant deficit relative to the size of the population. The following suggestions could be considered to improve access to these facilities:

- Improve the quality and value of play spaces in the central area of South Lowestoft where there is a shortfall of provision. This could contribute towards mitigating the shortfall in land available for equipped play and raise the public perception of the area.
- The Ranville play space requires improvement. Consideration should be given towards identifying the role it is intended to fulfil in the townscape.
- The Deepdale open space and play area require improvement. Consideration could be given to its value as an amenity and equipped play space or whether an alternative form of open space use would provide greater benefit to the community.
- Consider improving the equipped play space and providing better landscaping in the unequipped area of the site located at Pakefield Green to make it more attractive and provide greater value in an area where there is an existing shortfall.
- In a prime tourist location, consideration should be given to improving the play facilities at Tides Reach to benefit residents and visitors.

**Allotments**

in the South Lowestoft area

**Key findings**

Existing allotment provision in South Lowestoft totals 4.09ha and is spread over 10 sites. Key findings for South Lowestoft include:

- The current waiting list is in excess of 120 people.
- Existing provision meets about half of the recommended standard suggested by the National Allotment Association (equivalent to a shortfall of approximately 250 plots).
- South Lowestoft has the second lowest amount of provision of allotments per 1000 people in the District (0.12ha per 1,000 people).
- To meet the recommended standard of 0.25ha per 1000 people an additional 6.22ha of allotments is required.
- The majority of residents in South Lowestoft are located within a catchment area of an allotment site.

**Recommendations**

A significant deficit of allotments is present in South Lowestoft. The following suggestions could be considered to improve access to these facilities:

- Explore the potential to allocate land for allotments as part of a review of the Local Plan.
- Consider including allotments as part of the Oakes Farm leisure allocation when brought forward. The site is currently used for agriculture.
- Explore the potential to deliver allotments as an alternative use of open space where existing general use green spaces are considered to be of low quality, offer low value in their current form and there is minimal scope for improvement.
- Consider the potential to use a section of the Britten Road open space (northwest part of the site) for allotments subject to no vehicle access being allowed (this would encroach onto the existing open space and further reduce the width of the open space which has already been eroded in the past and reduce the attractiveness of the site). Use of this part of the site could increase the presence of people and natural surveillance, lessen the effect of a harsh fenced boundary and reduce the perceived isolated nature of this part of the site. The area has an existing deficiency of open space therefore potential changes should be considered in the context of how the space is used and how this might impact on open space provision in the surrounding area.
Cemeteries and Churchyards
in the South Lowestoft area

Key findings
There is 1 cemetery and 4 churchyards in South Lowestoft. At present there is enough burial land available in South Lowestoft. In the town centre existing churchyards are important to the setting and character of the area and contribute towards the wider green infrastructure network. Kirkley Cemetery is an important open space connecting residential areas and it provides habitats for wildlife.

Recommendation
No additional burial land is required in the near future, however, the following is recommended:

- Consider implementing maintenance practices to provide greater benefit biodiversity.
Green Corridors
in the South Lowestoft area

Key findings
There are two significant wildlife corridors existing in South Lowestoft including Tom Crisp Way/Castleton Avenue and areas along the coast. Lake Lothing provides a link between habitats in North Lowestoft and the Broads. Key findings for South Lowestoft include:

- Tom Crisp Way and Castleton Avenue are the primary green routes connecting residential areas, community facilities and the town centre.
- A variety of habitats are located along the Tom Crisp Way and Castleton Avenue including drainage ponds, woodland, hedges and shrubs.
- The beach is a key link between green spaces located along and near the coast.
- Outside of Carlton Colville the provision of green routes between open spaces is relatively limited.
- The railway line south of Oulton Broad provides a link between the open countryside and the built up area.
- Protected habitats along the River Waveney provide an important ecological corridor linking the area to the Broads. They provide recreational value for residents and visitors.
- The southern boundary of Carlton Colville is not well integrated with the surrounding countryside and has limited capacity to support wildlife.

Recommendations
The main issues in South Lowestoft are related to connectivity between green spaces. The following could be considered:

- Small open spaces that potentially act as a stepping stones for wildlife species travelling between the countryside and the urban area and nearby open spaces should be protected.
- The public realm along Kirkley Run could be improved to create quality connections to the Sustainable Urban Neighbourhood, the proposed new playing field and play space to mitigate the existing shortfall of open space.
- Protecting and enhancing the quality of open space connections between the built up area and the countryside better integrate the built up area with the surrounding countryside.
- The reinforcement of hedgerows with native planting south of the Carlton Colville boundary would improve integration with the countryside and wildlife habitats.
Issues and projects for consideration in the **South Lowestoft** area

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<td>Improve connectivity between habitats and links between the urban edge and the open countryside.</td>
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<td>Waveney Valley</td>
<td>Areas of public access often difficult to find and educational information is often limited.</td>
<td>Improve signage to promote public rights of way and footpaths. Care should be taken not to encourage inappropriate access to areas with sensitive wildlife habitats for flora and fauna (protected sites).</td>
<td>Encourage greater use of the public rights of way network such as the Angles Way for local residential and visitors. Raise awareness of the importance of local habitats for wildlife.</td>
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<td>No athletics running track is in the District. Existing issue with accessing facilities and securing track time. The nearest facilities are in Great Yarmouth and Norwich.</td>
<td>Provide a 200m J-track to provide running training facilities that can be extended into a full 400m track in the future if the opportunity arises.</td>
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<td>Existing shortfall of tennis courts and future development will increase future demand. Weather and daylight reduce availability of courts for use.</td>
<td>Provide 4 tennis courts with flood lighting at Oakes Farm. Consider covered courts to increase capacity.</td>
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<td>No cycle provision in the District or surrounding districts. Nearest facility is in Welwyn Garden City. Cycle training facility would encourage greater participation in a safe environment for racing.</td>
<td>Provide a cycle circuit for training and racing purposes. (Potential provision should consider sites in the western part of the District which may have a larger catchment area.)</td>
<td>Improve access to sports facilities. Encourage greater physical activity, participation and social interaction.</td>
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<td>Limited access to open space and equipped play space that can support a variety of uses for different age groups.</td>
<td>Explore access to the site to improve safety and encourage greater use of play areas.</td>
<td>Improve value of open space for the community. Reduce the barrier effect created by Castleton Avenue which separates Carlton Meadow Park from a large residential population which already has limited access to facilities offering good value.</td>
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<td>Rosedale Park, Kirkley</td>
<td>Significant open space with multiple uses in an area with a shortfall of provision. Play space is of low quality.</td>
<td>Improvements to the quality and value of the equipped play space.</td>
<td>Improve the value of the open space for local residents and townscape. Encourage greater physical activity.</td>
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<td>Bixley Green, Kirkley</td>
<td>The deprived area has a high housing density and a shortfall of open space. Facilities are low quality and offer low value to residents.</td>
<td>Improvements to the quality of Bixley Green and ancillary facilities would improve the space and encourage greater use.</td>
<td>Improve value of the site for local people, encourage greater use and enhance the townscape.</td>
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<td>Significant open space offering low quality and medium value in a deprived area that has a shortfall of open space available for the public to use. The site is well used thoroughfare for residents.</td>
<td>Improve landscaping, planting and quality of play facilities.</td>
<td>Improve value of the site for local people, encourage greater use, physical activity and enhance the townscape. Will create more of a focal point for the open space.</td>
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<td>Chaukers Crescent,</td>
<td>Large open space that is well integrated into the residential area</td>
<td>Planting and landscaping.</td>
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<td>with good connections. Has potential to be a quality open space to support a variety of uses for different age groups but is limited by a lack of ancillary facilities and landscaping.</td>
<td>Improve access to green space for available for general use and enhance the public realm by providing attractive walking and pedestrian routes without barriers.</td>
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<td>Kirkley and Pakefield area</td>
<td>Shortfall of open space and limited scope to provide new open space within the existing residential area in the future.</td>
<td>Provide attractive connections to the new open space proposed in the centre of the proposed Sustainable Urban Neighbourhood.</td>
<td>Encourage a positive perception of the area and improve value of sites to attract people to use them. Encourage physical activity and access to facilities.</td>
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<td>Kirkley Run, Kirkley</td>
<td>Shortfall of open space in a deprived area.</td>
<td>Improve value of the space to encourage more people to use the site. Has seating and planting for amenity purposes but has limited facilities to support alternative uses of the site.</td>
<td>Improve access to open space and ancillary facilities for the residents of Whitton and integrate the new development with the existing community. Encourage greater physical activity.</td>
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<td>Oakwood Road, Whitton</td>
<td>The open space is not well overlooked and requires community involvement to sustain the space.</td>
<td>Provision of a trim trail or outside gym equipment in the amenity green spaces along the cliff top to encourage people to</td>
<td>Improve value of the site for local people, encourage greater use and enhance the townscape.</td>
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<td>Pakefield Cliffs, Pakefield</td>
<td>Shortfall of activities for children, particularly youths in the area.</td>
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<td>Limited access to play facilities in the south of Carlton Colville.</td>
<td>Consider provision of toddler or natural play area in the amenity green space located between Aveling Way and Milnes Way.</td>
<td>Improved access to play facilities. Provide increased value of the open space for the wider community.</td>
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<td>Deepdale, Carlton Colville</td>
<td>Site provides a thoroughfare with a small amount of play equipment. Poorly overlooked and isolated from the surrounding area. Open space of low quality and low value.</td>
<td>If play equipment is removed from the site an alternative open space use could be considered which still retains the public thoroughfare.</td>
<td>Improvements to play provision to encourage use of the site or potentially providing allotments that would contribute towards resolving a significant shortfall and still retain the site's open space value and pedestrian connections in the area.</td>
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<td>Pakefield Green, Pakefield</td>
<td>Deprived area with a shortfall of equipped play space.</td>
<td>Improve the quality of play space. Improve the landscaping of the unequipped play area.</td>
<td>Make the site more attractive, reduce the impact of the adjacent road to provide greater value for residents.</td>
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<td>Ranville, Carlton Colville</td>
<td>Site is in poor condition and offers limited value to the area in its current form. The site is currently over planted which reduces natural surveillance. Potential to be a pleasant green space if improved as it has been designed into the</td>
<td>Redesign of the site, either keeping or removing existing toddler equipment. Appropriate landscaping and planting should used.</td>
<td>Enhance the townscape.</td>
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<td>Improve provision in area where there is a shortfall for residents and visitors. Improve the quality of play facilities.</td>
<td>WDC. Beach promenade business operators.</td>
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<td>Improve use of the site and security by encouraging a greater presence of people. Resolve long-term shortfall of provision. Encourage healthy lifestyle and social activities.</td>
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