

Chapel & Hill Chorlton, Maer & Aston, and Whitmore Neighbourhood Plan
Local Green Space Audit, Summer 2017

Maer & Aston Parish

Audit Ref.	Address/location	Approx. location		Description	NPPF Para 77 Criteria							Particular significance because of any one of below:	
		Post Code	OS Grid Ref.		Not extant	Not allocated for development	Not an extensive tract of land	Is local in character	Is in close proximity to serving area	Is demonstrably special to local community	Beauty (B) Historical signif. (H) Recreational value (R) Tranquillity (T) Wildlife (W) Other (O)*	(O)* Other reason explained	
GSAM1	Triangle at School Lane, Aston	TF9 4JD	SJ 75386 41266	A kerbed triangle of mown grass at a road junction, with a small ornamental apple tree planted in the centre. Contributes to the character of this area in the centre of the village. Maintained by residents.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B	Contributes to rural character.	
GSAM2	Triangle at junction Minn Bank and Holloway Lane, Aston	TF9 4JF	SJ 75463 41021	A kerbed triangle of unmown grass with meadow flowers, with a village sign and an old village pump. There is some vehicle damage to the grass on one side of the triangle. Contributes to the character of this area on the periphery of the village.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B, H	Contributes to rural character.	
GSAM3	Triangle at junction Minn Bank and Maerway Lane,	TF9 4JG	SJ 75514 40702	A kerbed triangle with planting of ornamental conifers and shrubs and a winter grit bin. Contributes to the character of	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B	Contributes to rural character.	

	Aston			the area. Currently appears not to be maintained.								
GSAM4	Triangle at junction Maerway Lane and Maer Hills Road	ST5 5EN	SJ 76417 39990	A kerbed triangle of mown grass at a road junction. Contributes to the character of this rural lane. Maintained by residents.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B	Contributes to rural character.
GSAM5	Verge and stream on Holloway Lane, Aston	TF9 4JF	SJ 75476 41021 to SJ 75710 41074	Grass verge and stream on the south side of Holloway Lane, from junction with Minn Bank to No. 181 Holloway Lane. The verge is planted with snowdrops and daffodils. Provides a refuge from passing vehicles for pedestrians and horse-riders. Also a wildlife corridor. Maintained by volunteers	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B, W	Contributes to rural character. Contributes to road safety. Contributes to green infrastructure.
GSAM6	Maer Public Right of Way No. 4	ST5 5EN	SJ 76439 39768 to SJ 77642 38958	A well-used natural footpath through the Maer Hills. Runs through commercial woodland from access opposite Cuckoo's Nest, Maerway Lane, in a SE direction to the A51 E of Swan Farm, Blackbrook. NW of Swan Farm the path emerges from the woodland and crosses a field. From the junction with Maer PRow 5 at Wood Lane and continuing SE it forms part of the Newcastle Way Long Distance Path	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B, R, T, W	Contributes to well-being
GSAM7	Maer Public Right of Way No. 5	ST5 5ER	SJ 77576 40582 to SJ 77136 39265	A well-used natural footpath through the Maer Hills. Runs from access in Radwood Lane, through commercial woodland	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B, R, T, W	Contributes to well-being

				in a SW direction to a point E of Wood Lane, Blackbrook, where it joins onto Maer PRoW 4. The entire path forms part of the Newcastle Way Long Distance Path.								
GSAM8	A51 Verges, county boundary to 172 London Road	TF9 4HA	SJ 74339 40407 to SJ 74598 40323	Wide grassed verges bounded by mature tall hedgerows with trees. Provide informal footpaths connecting the rural community with wider pedestrian networks and with settlements. Provide visibility for traffic on twisting road. Hedgerows and other vegetation provide corridor for wildlife and contribute to green infrastructure. An important feature contributing to the rural character of the area. Maintained by SCC Highways.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B, W, O	A 'gateway' into the Neighbourhood Area. Provide protection to pedestrians on busy A road.
GSAM9	A51 Verges, 172 London Road to Willoughbridge crossroads	TF9 4EX	SJ 74598 40323 to SJ 74655 40252	Wide grassed verges bounded by mature tall hedgerows with trees. Provide informal footpaths connecting the rural community with wider pedestrian networks and with settlements. Verge is eroded in front of 172 London Road where it is used for informal parking. Provide visibility for road users on twisting road. An important feature contributing to the rural character of the area. Maintained by residents.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B, W, O	A 'gateway' into the Neighbourhood Area. Contribute to rural character. Provide safety for pedestrians on busy A road.

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GSAM10	A51 Verges, Willoughbridge crossroads	TF9 4EX	SJ 74687 40228	Wide grassed verges and visibility splays at rural crossroads, providing visibility and safety for road users. There is a small informal parking area at the side of Aston Lane. At the side of Willoughbridge Lane the grass is eroded at a vehicle access to a domestic garden. Maintained by residents.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B, O	Contribute to rural character. Contribute to road safety.
GSAM11	A51 Verge, Minn Bank junction, Weymouth	TF9 4JQ	SJ 74947 40024	Triangular mown grassed verge on the eastern side of the junction. Provides visibility for road users on a narrow primary route. Contributes to the character of this rural settlement. Maintained by residents.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B, O	Contributes to rural character. Contributes to road safety
GSAM12	A51 Verge, Dorothy Clive Garden	TF9 4EU	SJ 75420 39794	Mown grassed verge with informal tree and shrub plantings. Contributes to the character of the area and signals access to the Dorothy Clive Garden. Maintained by Willoughbridge Garden Trust.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B, O	Signals access to Dorothy Clive Garden
GSAM13	The Croft, Hungersheath Lane, Blackbrook	ST5 5EL	SJ 76465 38956	A mown grassed area in front of a 'crescent' of houses, providing a visual green space and informal play area adjacent to the residential properties. The main area immediately in front of the 'crescent' comprises an oval area with a roadway around it, inside of which is triangular area with a footway	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B, R, O	Contributes to rural character

				on the inside. The main area is in good condition. On the southern periphery where there is no kerbstone to the green space the grass is used as informal parking and its 'natural' value is significantly reduced, due to the damaged caused. Contributes to the character of the properties and wider rural area. In ownership of ??? Maintained by ????									
GSAM14	Verge between The Croft and Wayside Farm, Hungersheath Lane, Blackbrook	ST5 5EL	SJ 76485 39007	Steep bank on the W side of the lane, with a roadside bus stop. Contributes to the rural character of the area.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B, O	Contributes to rural character	
GSAM15	A51 Verges, Wayside Farm and St Margaret's Chapel, Blackbrook	ST5 5EL	SJ 76496 39080	Narrow grassed verges provide visibility and safety for traffic at a poorly marked rural crossroads. The verge is mown in front of St Margaret's Chapel. Contributes to the rural character of the area. Maintained by SCC Highways.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B, O	Contribute to rural character. Contribute to road safety.	
GSAM16	A51 Verges, Maerway Lane to The Shippon, Blackbrook	ST5 5EL	SJ 76504 39060 to SJ 76596 38996	Wide grassed verges bounded by mature tall hedgerows. On the south side of the highway there is a paved footway from The Shippon to the junction with Hungersheath Lane, providing pedestrian access to a bus stop in Hungersheath Lane. Widening of the verges into splays at the crossroads creates	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B, W, O	Contribute to rural character. Provide safety for pedestrians on busy A road.	

				visibility and safety for road users. An important feature contributing to the rural character of the area. Maintained by SCC Highways.								
GSAM17	A51 Verges, The Shippon to The Woodlands, Blackbrook	ST5 5EL	SJ 76601 38990 to SJ 76771 38892	Wide mown grass verges bounded by residences and domestic gardens. On the south side of the highway a layby inside the verge gives access to several residences, a telephone kiosk, a letter box and a parish noticeboard. The mown grass signals an inhabited area on a rural highway. An important feature contributing to the rural character of the area. Maintained by residents.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B, O	Contribute to rural character. Provide safety for pedestrians on busy A road. Provide safe access to community services.
GSAM18	A51 Verges, The Woodlands to White Farm, Blackbrook	ST5 5EL	SJ 76771 38892 to SJ 77026 38802	Narrow grass verges bounded by mature hedgerows with trees, with a kerbside bus stop at White Farm. Provide informal footpaths connecting the rural community with wider pedestrian networks and with settlements. An important feature contributing to the rural character of the area. Maintained by SCC Highways.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B, W, O	Contribute to rural character. Provide safety for pedestrians on busy A road.
GSAM19	A51 Verges, A53 junction to Wharmadine Lane	ST5 5EG	SJ 77406 38799 to SJ 77521 38817	Wide grass verge bounded by mature hedgerow on N side of the A51. On the S side of the highway there is a paved footway inside a narrow verge. An important feature	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B, W, O	Contribute to rural character. Provide safety for pedestrians on busy A road.

				contributing to the rural character of the area. Maintained by SCC Highways.								
GSAM20	A51 Verges, Wharmadine Lane to Brookfields Farm	ST5 5EG	SJ 77536 38818 to SJ 77701 38840	Wide grassed verge bounded by mature hedgerow on N side of the A51, with a kerbside bus stop at Brookfields Farm. On the S side of the highway there is a paved footway inside a narrow verge. An important feature contributing to the rural character of the area. Maintained by residents.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B, W, O	Contribute to rural character. Provide safety for pedestrians on busy A road.
GSAM21	A51 Verges, from field gates west of Maer lodge to Maer Lodge/Maer War Memorial	ST5 5ED	SJ78603 38841 to SJ 78961 38823	Wide grassed verges with trees and mature hedgerows. The verge is mown on the S side on the approach to Maer Lodge. On the N side there is a mown area to the immediate W of Maer War Memorial with several flowering trees. Provide informal footpaths connecting the rural community with wider pedestrian networks and with settlements. An important feature contributing to the rural character of the area. Maintained by Maer Estate and Maer Parish Council.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B, W, O	Contribute to rural character. Provide safety for pedestrians on busy A road.
GSAM22	Maer War Memorial	ST5 5ED	SJ 78961 38823	A roadside structure with stone benches at either side on an elevated platform on the N side of the A51, facing down Maer Lane. A broad flight of steps leads up to the memorial, with	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	H	An important local historical record. A heritage structure. Contributes to the character of the local area. Important to local community and community life.

				formal plantings on the slope either side of the steps. There is a brick-built bus shelter with tiled roof immediately to the east. An important heritage feature contributing to the character of this rural area. Maintained by Maer Parish Council.								
GSAM23	Beech Tree Copse at Maerfield Gate Farm	ST5 5ED	SJ 79334 38949	A small copse of mature Beech and Sycamore trees set within a fenced area of elevated land within a large area of grazing land. The trees are subject to a group Tree Preservation Order (TPO) and are prominently visible from the A51 and Maer Public Right of Way No. 1. They are a significant feature in the wider landscape of the Neighbourhood Area and provide a legible point for reference and navigation.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		B, O	Important feature in the local landscape.
GSAM24	A51 Verges, Maer Lodge/Maer War Memorial to Maerfield Gate/Woodside	ST5 5ED	SJ 78977 38843 to SJ 79321 39172+D2 5	Wide grassed verges, with steep banks of a cutting with mature trees and other vegetation along part of the length. Immediately to the east of Maer Lodge and the War Memorial there are large daffodil plantings on both sides of the road. Provide informal footpaths connecting the rural community with wider pedestrian networks and with	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B, W, O	Contribute to rural character. Provide safety for pedestrians on busy A road.

				settlements. Provide a corridor for wildlife and contribute to green infrastructure. An important feature contributing to the rural character of the area. Maintained by SCC Highways.								
GSAM25	Sandy Low Plantation	ST5 5ED	SJ 79196 39240	A small mixed plantation of Pine and broadleaved trees within a fenced area of elevated ground in a large field adjacent to the A51 and Woodside. The trees are subject to a group Tree Preservation Order (TPO) and are prominently visible from the A51. They are a significant feature in the wider landscape of the Neighbourhood Area and provide a legible point for reference and navigation.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		B, W, O	Important feature in the local landscape.M8
GSAM26	A51 Verge, Maerfield Gate/Woodside to Sandy Lane	ST5 5ED	SJ 79321 39172 to SJ 79542 39239	Wide grassed verge on N side of the highway with mature hedgerow and trees. There are daffodils in the verge at Sandy Lane. There is a paved footway on the inside of the verge, providing pedestrian access from roadside bus stops in Woodside to the settlement of Hill Chorlton. The parish boundary between Maer and Chorlton parishes is halfway along this stretch, opposite the centreline of Maerfieldgate Cottages. An important feature	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	B, O	Contributes to rural character. Provides safety for pedestrians on busy A road.

