OLP2040 Site assessment proforma (including Sustainability Appraisal)

Site name	Knights Road	Site location plan
HELAA reference and GB OLP2036 Policy (if applicable)	593	Northfield School Northfield Brook
Ward	Littlemore	
Site size	2.25	Noahtield Bro
Existing use	Used as a park / recreation area	Posts Glass

Stage 1 assessment – are there any clear conflicts with national planning policy and/or any insurmountable environmental or physical constraints?

Assessment criteria	Outcome	Comments
Is the site an SAC or SSSI?	No	Is however part of a GI network
Is the site greenfield in flood		Less than 1% in flood zone 3
zone 3b?	Don't think so	not sure if 3a or 3b.
Is the site area less than		
0.25ha?	No	
Is the site already at an	No	
advanced stage in the planning		
process (development		
commenced)?		
Stage 1 conclusion There are no clear conflicts with national policy.		

Stage 2 assessment – Qualitative assessment of deliverability (incorporating Sustainability Appraisal)

SA Objective 1: To achieve the city's ambition to reach net zero carbon emissions by 2040. See SA Objective 8 for decision-making criteria

SA Objective	SA Objective 2: To build resilience to climate change, including reducing risks from overheating, flooding and the resulting detriment to well-being, the economy and the environment.	
Decision-	Is the use p	roposed suitable given the flood zone of the site?
making criteria		
	SA rating	Comments
What flood	0	Site is partially within 3. Not sure if a or b though.
zone is the site		
in		
Flooding of land	0	
surrounding site		
for access/		
egress		

SA Objective	SA Objective 3: To encourage the efficient use of land through good design and layout, and minimise the use of greenfield and Green Belt land	
Decision-making	Will the site make use of previously developed land/ buildings?	
criteria	Will the site be on Green Belt land?	
	SA rating	Comments
Previously	-	Parkland at the moment.
developed land		
Green Belt	0	

SA Objective	SA Objective 4: To meet local housing needs by ensuring that everyone has the	
	opportunity to live in a decent affordable home	
Decision-making	Will the site	e provide significant quantities of net new housing?
criteria	Will it improve the availability of decent affordable housing?	
	SA rating	Comments
Housing	1	
provision		
Affordable	1	
housing		
provision		

SA Objective	SA Objective 5: To reduce poverty, social exclusion, and health inequalities	
Decision-making	Will it improve opportunities for people in the most deprived areas?	
criteria		

	SA rating	Comments
Regeneration	+	I would suggest it could be next to if not in one.
areas		

SA Objective	SA Objective 6: To provide accessible essential services and facilities		
Decision-making	Will it increase the provision of essential services and facilities?		
criteria			
	SA rating	Comments	
Community	1		
facilities			

See also SA Objective 8

SA Objective	SA Objective 7: To provide adequate green and blue infrastructure, leisure and recreation opportunities and make these readily accessible for all; and to conserve and enhance Oxford's biodiversity	
Decision-making	Will it increase the provision of public open space?	
criteria	Will it protect and enhance existing flora, fauna and habitats?	
	SA rating	Comments
Public open	-	I would guess that it's going to be a reduction.
space		
Ecology and	-	I would guess that it's going to be a reduction.
biodiversity		

SA Objective Decision-making	SA objective 8: To reduce traffic and associated air pollution by improving travel choice, shortening journeys and reducing the need to travel by car/ lorry (also SA objective 1: To achieve the city's ambition to reach net zero carbon emissions by 2040) Will it encourage walking cycling and use of public transport?	
criteria		vithin an Air Quality Management Area?
	SA rating	Comments
Sustainable	+	<400m from the nearest bus stop with frequent services e.g. 1,10, 5
transport links		City
(bus stop)		
Sustainable	-	>1,600 from the train station
transport links		
(rail station)		
Primary schools	+	>800m from the nearest primary school (Windale)
Secondary	-	>800m from the nearest secondary school (The Oxford Academy)
schools		
GP surgeries	+	<800m from the nearest GP surgery (The Leys Health Centre)
P)ost office	-	>800m from the nearest post office (Balfour Road)
Air quality		Whole city is within an AQMA.

SA Objective	SA Objective 9: To achieve water quality targets and manage water resources	
Decision-making	Does the site contain, or is it near, a water body?	
criteria		
	SA rating	Comments
Water		Northfield Brook runs through the site.

SA Objective	SA Objective 10: To promote good urban design through the protection and enhancement of the historic environment and heritage assets while respecting local character and context and promoting innovation.	
Decision-making	Does the sit	e contain any historical, or archaeological features?
criteria		
	SA rating	Comments
Archaeology	0	
Conservation	0	
Areas & Register		
of Parks and		
Gardens (RPG)		
Listed Buildings	0	
View Cones	0	
High Buildings	0	
Area		

SA Objective	SA Objective 11: To achieve sustainable inclusive economic growth, including the development and expansion of a diverse and knowledge-based economy and the culture/leisure/ visitor sector		
Decision-making	Will it support key sectors that drive economic growth?		
criteria	Will it increase the quantity and quality of employment opportunities?		
	SA rating	Comments	
Support the	1		
knowledge-			
based economy			
Support	1		
diversification or			
affordable			
workspace			

Other constraints which could affect suitability of site for development	
Can access for vehicles be achieved?	Yes.
Can walking and cycling connections with the surrounding area be achieved?	Yes.
Does the site include any significant physical features	Trees exist on the site.

such as trees, rivers/streams or changes in ground level?	
Are land contamination issues likely?	Unlikely as there are already houses on the site.
Does the site adjoin a sensitive land use? Is there an adjoining land use that may cause disturbance or environmental issues such as noise or smells?	No not that it appears.

Stage 2 conclusion
No sensitive land uses surrounding the site, however the site is part of GI corridor.

Stage 3 assessment – Qualitative assessment of deliverability and consideration of potential sustainability impacts. Identification of preferred options

Is there confirmed landowner intention to develop	Landowner has an intention to develop within the next 5 years.
Does the landowner specify types of development	Wishes to build residential accommodation.

Stage 3 conclusion
Could certainly be an option to develop, however flood zone and importance of the GI value of the site should not be forgotten.