


Seaford Neighbourhood Plan Site Notes for Site SS15 The Crouch Gardens reviewed Sept 2018

Site Name and address if known	The Crouch, Seaford BN25
Name of site owner Details of any consultation held	Seaford Town Council Contact: James Corrigan, Town Clerk, Seaford Town Council 37 Church Street, Seaford, BN25 1HG Tel: 01323 894870 James.Corrigan@seafordtowncouncil.gov.uk
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Site Location	Crouch Gardens off East Street, bordering Bamber Lane and Heathfield Road O.S Grid Ref. TV486990
Gross site area	2.780 ha.
Current use	Green space/recreation area housing football club, bowling club, ornamental gardens, rose garden and children's play area. Also contractors depot/hut.
Previous use (if known)	
Type (greenfield, brownfield or both)	Green field
SHELAA reference and comments (if any)	NA
Planning Policies covered by Lewes Local Plan for the site	RE1 (Provision of Sport, Recreation and Play) CP8 (Green Infrastructure) RES19 (Provision of Outdoor Playing Space) – football ground, play park, bowling green H2 (Listed Buildings) – archway to gardens is grade II listed NPPF75 – rights of way and access This is one of the 4 vital sports fields in the town that are the core element in contributing to RE1 policy aims, but which nevertheless are significantly underachieved by 7 Ha.
Suitability	Well used recreation area

Achievability & Availability	Site put forward by owner in response to Call for Sites.																					
Acceptability																						
Site Summary	<p>Site has a low risk of surface water flooding Distance to amenities: Seaford Station: 0.64 km (on foot), 0.97 km (by car) GP surgery: 0.48 km (on foot), 1.13 km (by car) Post office: 0.48 km (on foot), 1.13 km (by car) Secondary school: 0.97 km (on foot), 1.61 km (by car) Primary school: 1.29 km (on foot), 1.61 km (by car) Shop: 0.32 km (on foot), 0.8 km (by car) Bus stop (12): 0.32 km Source: https://www.google.co.uk/maps</p> <p>The speed limit on East Street is 30mph and Bramber Road is 20mph. There have been 3 reported traffic accidents at or close to the site The elevation of the site is 13-15m There are five footpaths: Seaford 38 passes along the side of the site, Seaford 48, 49, 50 & 72 access the site. National Character Area Level Landscape Features: Hedgerow Priority - High Bankside Tree Priority - High Field Margins and Buffers Priority - High Winter Stubble Priority - High Permanent Grassland Priority - High Landscape Risk Value – High http://www.magic.gov.uk/</p> <p>UK Biodiversity Action Plan species: Corn Bunting, Turtle Dove http://jncc.defra.gov.uk/page-5163 Birds of Conservation Concern Red List: Corn Bunting, Turtle Dove and Amber List: Redshank https://www.rspb.org.uk/Images/birdsofconservationconcern4_tcm9-410743.pdf Species "of principal importance for the purpose of conserving biodiversity" covered under section 41 (England) of the NERC Act (2006) and therefore need to be taken into consideration by a public body when performing any of its functions with a view to conserving biodiversity. Corn Bunting, Turtle Dove – Source: http://www.magic.gov.uk/</p> <p>Species data recorded historically within 200 metres of the site provided by the Sussex Biodiversity Record Centre on 31.5.17.</p> <p>Protected species</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Amphibians</td> <td>Triturus cristatus</td> <td>Great Crested Newt</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Higher Plants - Flowering Plants</td> <td>Nymphoides peltata</td> <td>Fringed Water-lily</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Higher Plants - Flowering Plants</td> <td>Cakile maritima</td> <td>Sea Rocket</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Higher Plants - Flowering Plants</td> <td>Carex divisa</td> <td>Divided Sedge</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Higher Plants - Flowering Plants</td> <td>Succisa pratensis</td> <td>Devil's-bit Scabious</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Higher Plants - Flowering Plants</td> <td>Potentilla erecta</td> <td>Tormentil</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Higher Plants - Flowering Plants</td> <td>Carlina vulgaris</td> <td>Carlina Thistle</td> </tr> </table>	Amphibians	Triturus cristatus	Great Crested Newt	Higher Plants - Flowering Plants	Nymphoides peltata	Fringed Water-lily	Higher Plants - Flowering Plants	Cakile maritima	Sea Rocket	Higher Plants - Flowering Plants	Carex divisa	Divided Sedge	Higher Plants - Flowering Plants	Succisa pratensis	Devil's-bit Scabious	Higher Plants - Flowering Plants	Potentilla erecta	Tormentil	Higher Plants - Flowering Plants	Carlina vulgaris	Carlina Thistle
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Higher Plants - Flowering Plants	<i>Fragaria vesca</i>	Wild Strawberry
Higher Plants - Flowering Plants	<i>Hyacinthoides non-scripta</i>	Bluebell
Higher Plants - Flowering Plants	<i>Lepidium campestre</i>	Field Pepperwort
Higher Plants - Flowering Plants	<i>Salvia verbenaca</i>	Wild Clary
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Higher Plants - Flowering Plants	<i>Briza media</i>	Quaking-grass
Higher Plants - Flowering Plants	<i>Euphrasia nemorosa</i>	Eyebright
Higher Plants - Flowering Plants	<i>Gentianella amarella</i> subsp. <i>amarella</i>	Autumn Gentian
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Higher Plants - Flowering Plants	<i>Plantago media</i>	Hoary Plantain
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Invertebrates - Butterflies	<i>Polyommatus bellargus</i>	Adonis Blue
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Invertebrates - Moths	<i>Hoplodrina blanda</i>	Rustic
Lower Plants - Mosses	<i>Orthotrichum tenellum</i>	Slender Bristle-moss
Mammals - Terrestrial (excl. bats)	<i>Erinaceus europaeus</i>	West European Hedgehog
Reptiles	<i>Anguis fragilis</i>	Slow-worm
Bats		
Mammals - Terrestrial (bats)	<i>Plecotus auritus</i>	Brown Long-eared Bat
Notable Birds		
Birds	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Mallard
Birds	<i>Fulmarus glacialis</i>	Fulmar
Birds	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	Kestrel
Birds	<i>Falco subbuteo</i>	Hobby
Birds	<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>	Avocet
Birds	<i>Larus fuscus</i>	Lesser Black-backed Gull
Birds	<i>Larus argentatus</i>	Herring Gull
Birds	<i>Rissa tridactyla</i>	Kittiwake
Birds	<i>Columba oenas</i>	Stock Dove
Birds	<i>Apus apus</i>	Swift
Birds	<i>Picus viridis</i>	Green Woodpecker
Birds	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>	Skylark
Birds	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>	House Martin
Birds	<i>Prunella modularis</i>	Dunnock
Birds	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>	Song Thrush
Birds	<i>Sylvia communis</i>	Whitethroat

	<p>Birds <i>Sturnus vulgaris</i> Starling</p> <p>Birds <i>Passer domesticus</i> House Sparrow</p> <p>Birds <i>Linaria cannabina</i> Linnet</p> <p>Birds <i>Emberiza citrinella</i> Yellowhammer</p> <p>Birds <i>Pyrrhula pyrrhula</i> Bullfinch</p> <p>Invasive Non-native</p> <p>Birds <i>Psittacula krameri</i> Ring-necked Parakeet</p> <p>Higher Plants - Flowering Plants <i>Centranthus ruber</i> Red valerian</p> <p>Higher Plants - Flowering Plants <i>Cotoneaster horizontalis</i> Wall Cotoneaster</p> <p>Higher Plants - Flowering Plants <i>Elodea canadensis</i> Canadian Waterweed</p> <p>Higher Plants - Flowering Plants <i>Fallopia japonica</i> Japanese Knotweed</p> <p>Higher Plants - Flowering Plants <i>Nymphoides peltata</i> Fringed Water-lily</p> <p>Higher Plants - Flowering Plants <i>Petasites fragrans</i> Winter Heliotrope</p> <p>Invertebrates - Beetles <i>Harmonia axyridis</i> Harlequin Ladybird</p> <p>Mammals - Terrestrial (excl. bats) <i>Muntiacus reevesi</i> Chinese Muntjac</p>
Further Comment from statutory bodies	
Summary views from residents (would they support this site?)	
STC comments	<p>STC ref: LO9 Land Registration No. ESX290032</p> <p>Site area - 2.99 hectares. Leases to Seaford Bowls Club and Seaford Football Club.</p> <p>Title deeds place limitations on use to recreation</p>

