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1. Introduction

The purpose of this background paper is to explain the designation of Local Green Spaces (LGS) and Destination Open Spaces (DOS) in the Havant Borough Local Plan. It sets out the national and local background to Local Green Space designations and makes clear the methodology for Local Green Spaces and Destination Open Spaces designations used by the council. A full list of greenspaces proposed for designation is set out in Appendix 1 along with reasons for their inclusion or non-inclusion.

The paper was produced in 2018 to inform the Pre-Submission Local Plan, and updated in October 2019 in response to the 'Lochailort' High Court decision¹. None of the proposed green space designations have been affected by the update.

It was updated again in July 2020 to explain additional Local Green Spaces identified in the Emsworth Neighbourhood Plan, which received a favourable examiner's report in January 2020.

¹ Lochailort Investments Ltd, R (On the Application Of) v Mendip District Council [2019] EWHC 2633 (QB) (08 October 2019)

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2. Policy Context

National Policy Context

- 2.1 The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) published in 2018 recognises the need for access to high quality open spaces due to the opportunities it provides and how it helps society. It also sets out the concept of Local Green Spaces. Paragraph 99 of the document states that local communities are able to identify green areas of particular importance through local and neighbourhood plans. Designation of land as a Local Green Space in the plan would rule out development other than in very special circumstances and would need to live on beyond the end of the plan period.
- 2.2 Paragraph 100 of the NPPF notes that the designation would not be appropriate for most green areas. It sets out the following criteria for designating Local Green Spaces:
 - In reasonably close proximity to the community it serves;
 - Demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular local significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquility or richness of its wildlife; and
 - Local in character and is not an extensive tract of land.
- 2.3 Importantly, Paragraph 99 of the NPPF also makes clear that 'designating land as Local Green Space should be consistent with the local planning of sustainable development and complement investment in sufficient homes, jobs and other essential services.'

Local Policy Context

- 2.4 Havant Borough is experiencing a high level of housing need. The Council is preparing the Havant Borough Local Plan to address this need for housing and other development, together with supporting infrastructure.
- 2.5 In light of the recent covid pandemic higher importance has been placed on Local Green Spaces within the Borough. Such spaces provide vital areas for people to visit during lockdown to carry out safe recreational activities, exercise and provide an attractive and different environment to support and improve mental health.
- 2.6 The NPPF states that Local Green Spaces should only be designated when a plan is prepared or reviewed, and be capable of enduring beyond the end of the plan period. In preparing the new Local Plan, the Council has reviewed what green spaces should be protected.
- 2.7 Local communities were given the opportunity to propose areas of open space for designation as part of their representation on the Regulation 18 Draft Local Plan in early 2018. As part of that consultation, individuals and community groups were asked to propose new spaces, which they consider to meet the criteria set out in the NPPF. They were also asked to suggest any amendments or deletions, again having regard to the criteria. Suggestions were considered against the evaluation matrix and any proposals which are considered appropriate for designation, have been taken forward into the HBLP.
- 2.8 Since 2014 Emsworth have been working on creating a Neighbourhood Plan which included a neighbourhood assessment on spaces which are considered to be LGS. The plan was sent to examination in 2019 and on the 6th January 2020 the examiner's report concluded that subject to a series of recommended modifications the Emsworth Neighbourhood Plan (ENP) met all the

necessary legal requirements and should proceed to referendum. Havant Borough Council accepted the examiners recommendations and the Emsworth Neighbourhood Plan was due to go to referendum in May 2020. However, in light of Coronavirus all elections and referendums have been postponed until May 2021.

- 2.9 Following this the Government has issued legal advice to local authorities where a referendum has been announced. In response to this Local Green Spaces approved in the Emsworth Neighbourhood Plan have been incorporated into the Havant Borough Pre-Submission Local Plan in order to align the two pieces of work and reflect an accurate position of the Local Green Spaces in Emsworth as approved by an examiner.
- 2.10 The following section of this report explains the methodology used to decide which of these greenspaces were designated.

3. Methodology

- 3.1 The designation of green spaces as either a Local Green Space (LGS) or a Destination Open Space (DOS) is dependent on meeting the criteria as set out in this document.
- 3.2 The starting point was to consider all spaces for designation as Local Green Spaces. This is because it is a formal designation recognised in the NPPF, and the Borough residents had been specifically asked to suggest sites for designation under this category. However, this designation required very specific criteria to be met, one of which is related to size ('an extensive tract of land').
- 3.3 A number of sites were suggested to the Council as Local Green Spaces, which were too extensive to meet the nationally set criteria for Local Green Spaces, such as woodlands. Nevertheless, the Council recognises the value of these spaces to the local community and in this assessment introduced a category of 'Destination Open Spaces' to allow these sites to be protected similarly to Local Green Spaces.
- 3.4 On this basis, if a site was under 10 hectares it was considered for Local Green Space designation. If it was over 10 hectares it was considered for Destination Open Space designation.

Local Green Spaces

- 3.5 The NPPF sets out criteria for designating Local Green Spaces in paragraph 100. These criteria were used to create the Local Green Space and Destination Open Spaces evaluation matrix, shown in Appendix 1 and Appendix 3. All the greenspaces proposed during the initial public consultation into the Allocations Plan were entered into this matrix, along with the open spaces allocated under Policy CS1 of the Havant Borough Local Plan (Core Strategy) and, the open spaces proposed as part of the consultation for the pre-submission Havant Borough Local Plan.
- 3.6 To designate a space, it needs to meet three criteria:
 - proximity to the community,
 - special significance, and
 - site size.
- 3.7 The assessment of site proximity to the local community is based on both the distance that the site is from the local community, and whether the public can access the site. For allocation to be successful both points need to be achieved. As Havant Borough covers quite a small mainly urbanised area, most of the proposed greenspaces were located in reasonably close proximity to the community they serve. In terms of public access, the main effect of the application of this criterion was that allotments could not be designated due to not necessarily being publicly accessible. However, allotments will continue to be protected under a different policy mechanism in the Havant Borough Local Plan. The assessment of whether a site is of special significance to the local community is based on its beauty, historic significance, recreational value, tranquility, and richness of wildlife which are largely subjective judgements. For designation to be successful a minimum of three points needed to be achieved. The scoring varied widely with some sites appearing to have no special attributes with other sites being demonstrably special in respect of all five criteria.
- 3.8 Finally, it is not possible to designate areas which are extensive tracts of land as a Local Green Space. However, land which met the Local Green Space criteria apart from site size was then considered for Destination Open Space designation.

Destination Open Spaces

- 3.9 Open spaces were designated as Destination Open Spaces if they were over 10 hectares in size and considered particularly important due to their range of multifunctional uses and activities and, as such, mean residents are likely to travel further to access them. For example, Staunton Country Park, Hayling Beach and the Hayling Billy Trail.
- 3.10 Other examples are protected by other policy designations in the Local Plan 2036, including a policy to protect allotments, a policy specifically on the Hermitage Stream, and an extensive suite of policies to protect sites important to nature conservation interests.

Links with planning for Sustainable Development

3.11 Because paragraph 99 of the NPPF requires the designation of Local Green Spaces to be consistent with local planning for sustainable development, this matter was considered for every space that met the other criteria. All of the spaces were found not to deliberately hinder development on potentially suitable development sites, and therefore to be consistent with the local planning of sustainable development.

Sites Identified as Local Green Spaces through the Emsworth Neighbourhod Plan

- 3.12 Following the successful examination of the Emsworth Neighbourhood Plan, the Council has updated this paper to include the Local Green Spaces identified in that plan. These have been included in Table 1 and Appendix 1.
- 3.13 Through that process, notwithstanding the council's own assessment methodology, three allotment sites, a body of water and some sites previously considered too extensive for LGS designation have been added (see Appendix 1 and the examiner's report into the Emsworth Neighbourhood Plan² for further information).
- 3.14 Inclusion of these sites reflects the Council's acceptance that LGS can consist of a variety of spaces and is ultimately a matter of local judgement.

² Emsworth Neighbourhood Plan: <u>https://www.havant.gov.uk/emsworth-neighbourhood-planning</u>

4. Local Green Space and Destination Open Space Designations

- 4.1 All sites proposed for designation underwent a detailed appraisal applying the criteria as set out in Section 3. The reasons for inclusion and rejection from designation as a Local Green Space or Designation Opens Space are set out in Appendices 1 and 2 respectively.
- 4.2 The final selection of sites to be designated as Local Green Spaces and Designation Open Spaces, and to be given protection through a policy in the Local Plan is listed in Table 1 below and shown on Figure 1.

Emsworth Neig	hbourhood Plan
Local Green Space	Destination Open Space
Emsworth Recreation Ground	Staunton Country Park
Brook Meadow Local Nature Reserve	Hollybank Woods
Hayling Park	Hayling Billy Trail
St Clare's Wood	Hayling Beach
Hollybank Recreation Ground	Queen's Inclosure
Victoria Cottage Hospital Garden	
Langstone Meadows	
Hampshire Farm Meadow	
Havant Park	
Nore Barn Woods	
Bidbury Mead	
Emsworth Town Millpond	
Ems Valley Corridor	
Cowplain Recreation Ground	
Washington Road Allotments	
Warblington Road Allotments	
Front Lawn Recreation Ground	
Redlands Grange Allotments	
Battins Copse	
Great Copse	

Table 1: Sites proposed for protection through Havant Borough Local Plan and theEmsworth Neighbourhood Plan

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Stockheath Common	
Gundymoor Wood	
Park Wood	
Newlease Coppice	
Purbrook Heath	
Waterlooville Recreation Ground	

5. Next Steps

- 5.1 The designation of Local Green Spaces and Destination Open Spaces through the new Local Plan and Emsworth Neighbourhood Plan has offered local communities the opportunity to suggest green spaces that are important to them for protection from development. This paper has sought to explain the process the Council used to decide which green spaces put forward by the public and Emsworth Neighbourhood Plan should be protected through a policy in the Havant Borough Local Plan.
- 5.2 A specific policy on the protection of existing green infrastructure spaces is being proposed for the Havant Borough Local Plan. It will apply to these sites, which means that only proposals that protect or enhance these spaces will be permitted. Development proposals that would harm them will only be permitted under very special circumstances.

Appendix 1: Sites for Designation

Local Green Space (LGS) and Destination Open Spaces (DOS) Evaluation Matrix

About the	e site	Emsworth ENP	Proximity commu			Special Significance			Site size	Decisi			
Site	Area of Borough	Is it within the Emsworth Neighbourhood Plan?	Close proximity to community	Publicly Accessible	Beauty	Historic Significance	Recreation	Tranquillity	Wildlife	Extensive Tract of Land	LGS or DOS	Comments	Consistent with Sustainable Development
Emsworth Recreation Ground	Emsworth	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	LGS	An important urban greenspace	Yes
Brook Meadow Local Nature Reserve	Emsworth	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	LGS	Demonstrably special nature reserve on the edge of Emsworth looked after by Brook Meadow Conservation Group	Yes
Hollybank Recreation Ground	Emsworth	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	LGS	A well-used local park by the community with a cricket pitch and pavilion, children's play area, and skate park.	Yes

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Victoria Cottage Hospital Garden	Emsworth	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	LGS	A small pocket of green space located in an urbanised area of Emsworth. An area of green space which is maintained by the Friends of Emsworth Community Health as a public amenity.	Yes
Nore Barn Woods	Emsworth	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	LGS	Demonstrably special nature reserve on the edge of Emsworth looked after by Friends of Nore Barn Woods. The Council's original assessment considered this to be DoS due to its size, but the ENP confirmed this as an LGS	Yes
Hollybank Woods	Emsworth	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	DOS	Demonstrably special nature reserve on the edge of Emsworth looked after by Friends of Hollybank Woods	Yes
Hampshire Farm Meadow	Emsworth	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	LGS	A large area of land and important green space	Yes

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Emsworth Town Millpond	Emsworth	Yes									LGS	Accepted as LGS though examination of ENP	Yes
Ems Valley Corridor	Emsworth	Yes									LGS	Accepted as LGS though examination of ENP	Yes
Washington Road Allotments	Emsworth	Yes									LGS	Accepted as LGS though examination of ENP	Yes
Warblington Road Allotments	Emsworth	Yes									LGS	Accepted as LGS though examination of ENP	Yes
Redlands Grange Allotments	Emsworth	Yes									LGS	Accepted as LGS though examination of ENP	Yes
Langstone Meadows	Havant	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	LGS	Demonstrably special open fields with a public right of way running through it linking Langstone Village to the Billy Trail. Medieval ridge and furrow field markings evident in the upper fields.	Yes
Havant Park	Havant	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	LGS	An important urban greenspace.	Yes

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Bidbury Mead	Havant	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	LGS	Well used local park in historic setting with a number of facilities including cricket pitch and equipped children's play area.	Yes
Hayling Billy Trail	Hayling Island	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	DOS	Well used footpath and cycle way following the former railway line between Havant and Hayling Island. Due to it being an extensive tract of land it cannot be allocated as a LGS.	Yes
Hayling Park	Hayling Island	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	LGS	An important urban greenspace.	Yes
Hayling Beach	Hayling Island	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	DOS	Policy E1 site; although it is a demonstrably special area, it is an extensive tract of land and cannot be allocated as a LGS	Yes

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Front Lawn Recreation Ground	Leigh Park	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	LGS	A well-used local park with a number of facilities including a cricket pitch and equipped children's play area.	Yes
Battins Copse	Leigh Park	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	LGS	Demonstrably special area that is a fragment of ancient woodland from the Forest of Bere in the heart of Leigh Park	Yes
Great Copse	Leigh Park	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	LGS	Demonstrably special area that is a fragment of ancient woodland from the Forest of Bere in the heart of Leigh Park	Yes
St Clare's Wood	Leigh Park	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	LGS	Demonstrably special area with both woodland which is managed by the Woodland Trust and open space, with a children's play area and cycle area.	Yes

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Stockheath Common	Leigh Park	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	LGS	The common is in the heart of Leigh Park and is well used for community events such as Bonfire Night	Yes
Staunton Country Park	Leigh Park	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	DOS	A demonstrably special greenspace with farm, gardens and country park	Yes
Gundymoor Wood	Waterlooville	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	LGS	An area of woodland providing public access and a diverse range of wildlife, managed by the woodland Trust.	Yes
Newlease Coppice	Waterlooville	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	LGS	A well laid out green space with woodland vegetation, and clearly defined paths used by the local community.	Yes
Park Wood	Waterlooville	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	LGS	Demonstrably special area that is a fragment of ancient woodland from the Forest of Bere in the heart of Waterlooville.	Yes
Purbrook Heath	Waterlooville	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	LGS	An important urban greenspace	Yes

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Waterlooville Recreation Ground	Waterlooville	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	LGS	An important urban greenspace. A well-used park with facilities including; cricket pitch and pavilion, bowls green, tennis courts, cycle track, and children's play area.	Yes
Complain Recreation Ground	Waterlooville	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	LGS	An important urban greenspace. A well-used park with facilities including; cricket pitch and pavilion, bowls green, tennis courts, and children's play area.	Yes
Queen's Inclosure	Waterlooville	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	DOS	Demonstrably special area that is a fragment of ancient woodland from the Forest of Bere in the heart of Waterlooville	Yes

Appendix 2: Discounted Sites

Local Green Space (LGS) and Destination Open Spaces (DOS) Evaluation Matrix

About the site		Proximity to th community		Special Significance						ecision	
Site	Area of Borough	Close proximity to community	Public open space	Beauty	Historic Significance	Recreation	Tranquillity	Wildlife	Extensive Tract of Land	LGS / DOS	Comments
Some Allotments	Havant Borough	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Due to allotments not being accessible to the public they cannot be classed as a LGS. However, the protection of allotments is now in Policy E19 in the HBL.
The SYRCH Centre at Spencers Field	Emsworth	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Open space well used by young people but not demonstrably special in terms of beauty, history, tranquillity or wildlife
Land west of the River Ems and east of Westwood Close	Emsworth	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	There is an informal access route however, the land is privately owned and used for agricultural uses. Overlap with 'Ems Valley Corridor'. Please see entry in Appendix 1.

About the site		Proximity to th community		Speci	al Signi	ficance		Site Size	D	ecision	
Site	Area of Borough	Close proximity to community	Public open space	Beauty	Historic Significance	Recreation	Tranquillity	Wildlife	Extensive Tract of Land	LGS / DOS	Comments
The Horse Field, Havant Road (UE11)	Emsworth	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	The fields are privately owned therefore cannot be designated as a LGS due to lack of access.
Fields along the Solent Way between Emsworth and Warblington (H23F, H23E)	Emsworth	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	The land is not publicly accessible therefore does not qualify for LGS designation.
Land around Warblington Church and Farm	Emsworth	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	The land is privately owned therefore does not qualify.
All green spaces between Havant, Warblington, Emsworth, Prinstead, Southbourne etc. should be maintained particularly Nore Barn Woods, Hollybank Woods and Brook Meadow	Emsworth	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	The areas listed are not specific enough therefore, we cannot designate.
Interbridges East	Emsworth	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Private field with no public access that is not demonstrably special
Southleigh Strategic Site: eastern edge to the north and south of the site, and the green strip through the centre.	Emsworth / Havant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Southleigh Strategic Site is not completed therefore, it is difficult to identify whether the criteria have been met currently. The site will be reassessed in the next review of LGS and DOS in the Borough.
Southmere Field, Langstone	Havant	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Private field with no public access that has no special significance.

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Bosmere School Playing Fields	Havant	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Well landscaped school grounds but without public access
Open green space between Rowans Road and Elder Road, Denvilles	Havant	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Attractive pocket park with mature trees, but is not demonstrably special
Open green space lying between Japonica Way, Snowberry Way and Acer Crescent	Havant	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Attractive pocket park, but is not demonstrably special
Brockhampton Springs	Havant	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Demonstrably special location of Brockhampton Springs in the heart of Havant, but public access is not permitted in order to protect water supply
Warblington School's playing fields	Havant	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Well used school playing fields but without public access
Grounds of the Public Service Plaza	Havant	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Well landscaped grounds for Public Service Plaza, but not demonstrably special
Scratchface Lane Recreation Ground	Havant	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Well used recreation ground but not demonstrably special
Hooks Lane Recreation Ground	Havant	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Well used recreation ground but not demonstrably special

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Foreshore between Langstone and Warblington	Havant / Emsworth	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Due to the mixed ownership of land and not having a defined boundary to assess the criteria against it cannot be afforded formal designation.
Stokes Common and Stokes Wood	Hayling Island	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Land is privately owned and there is no public access.
Land East of footpath 102, including Tournebury Golf Course	Hayling Island	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	It is not a public open space therefore it does not qualify.
Existing agricultural land to East and West of Northney village and Copse Lane	Hayling Island	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	It is not a public open space therefore it does not qualify.
Existing agricultural land to the East of A3023	Hayling Island	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	It is not a public open space therefore, it does not qualify.
Land at Goldring Close (UE16)	Hayling Island	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Private field with no public access that is not demonstrably special
Open green space next to Old Copse Road	Leigh Park	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Well landscaped area that appears well used by local people but not demonstrably special

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Site	Area of Borough	Close proximity to community	Public open space	Beauty	Historic Significance	Recreation	Tranquillity	Wildlife	Extensive Tract of Land	LGS/DOS	Comments
Hermitage Stream	Leigh Park	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Demonstrably special area forming a green/blue corridor in the heart of Leigh Park. It is already protected under another policy within the HBLP 2036 therefore does not need LGS or DOS designation at this time.
Barton Road Open Space	Leigh Park	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Private field with no public access that has planning permission for a crematorium; not wholly located in Havant Borough
Blendworth Crescent Open Space (L86)	Leigh Park	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Small area of grassland that is not demonstrably special
Extention of Purbrook Heath to include woods	Waterlooville	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Purbrook Heath is already allocated however extending the boundary of LGS allocation is not possible due to being outside the Havant Borough boundary.
Covert Grove, off Holst Way	Waterlooville	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	It is not demonstrably special.
Hurst Wood of Dornmere Lane	Waterlooville	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	It is not demonstrably special.

