Skipton Sub Area Site Visits

SITE OS 16

This site is known as Skipton Woods



Figure 1. Entrance to Skipton Woods from the top of the High Street opposite Stanforths Butchers. No signs indicate the presence of the entrance to the Woods.



Figure 2. Sign post inside the entrance to Skipton Woods, showing that the site is maintained by The Woodland Trust.



Figure 3. Location of the previous map and route guide that is no longer present



Figure 4. Path diverges at this point but no signposting shows which route is best and most suitable.



Figure 5. Mill Pond in Skipton Woods



Figure 6. The edge of the Mill Pond which is periodically covered with algae, no warnings or barriers are present.



Figure 7. Exit of Skipton Woods through houses (no signpost present)



Figure 8. Location where confusion occurs as to the direction of the path.



Figure 9. Another point where the location and direction of the path are unknown and not signposted.



Figure 10. This is the alternative path that causes confusion at the point where the actual path goes through a small gap in the trees.

This site is known as Middletown footpaths, Skipton.



Figure 11. There are several bins to prevent dog fouling as recommended.

SITE OS 18 This site is known as North Parade. It is in Skipton.



Figure 12. The site has a range of facilities; dog walking area, basketball and football.



Figure 13. The Greatwood and Horseclose community centre and the basket ball court.



Figure 14. The site has been planted with shrubs and there is no demand for a play area here.

<u>SITE OS 22</u> This site is known as Shortbank Close, Skipton.



Figure 15. The area is a tarmac surface and it is fenced on all sides. There is only a small bin at the site. There does not appear to be any other use.



Figure 16. The entrance to the site is a narrow tarmac path between housing.



Figure 17. The location of the site is very close to houses which may be the reason for complaints to the police in the past.

This site is known as Airedale Ave, Gargrave.



Figure 18. Some equipment may need tarmac surfaces due to poor drainage on the site.



Figure 19. Signs up around the site prohibit older people from entering certain areas.



Figure 20. The signs also give an age limit for use of the play equipment.



Figure 21. Young Childrens play equipment.



Figure 22. Play equipment for older children

<u>SITE OS 25</u>

This site is shown as Holy Trinity Church, Skipton.



Figure 23. Some benches at the site had been removed and were in need of replacement, but this has now been done.

This site is known as The Wilderness. It is located on Otley Road, Skipton.



Figure 24. Sign at entrance to the site.



Figure 25. Benches have recently been put up within the site.



Figure 26. Paths have been constructed within the site in place of previous tracks created by regular use of local residents.

This site is known as Gargrave Village Green.



Figure 27. The site is made up of many pieces of land and it has many functions, the majority is open space for use by visitors and local residents. (There are plenty of benches present)



Figure 28. One area has football goal posts and can be used for play.



Figure 29. This is an image of the substation that residents are said to want demolishing, it is hidden behind fences and shrubs.



Figure 30. The Action Plan states that residents gardens are encroaching onto the green, from the site visit it was seen that most boundaries of the green are indicated by wooden post, walls or fencing.



Figure 31. Interpretation Board placed at the Bus stop close to the Village Green as recommended by the previous Action Plan.