

Nomination for listing as an Asset of Community Value

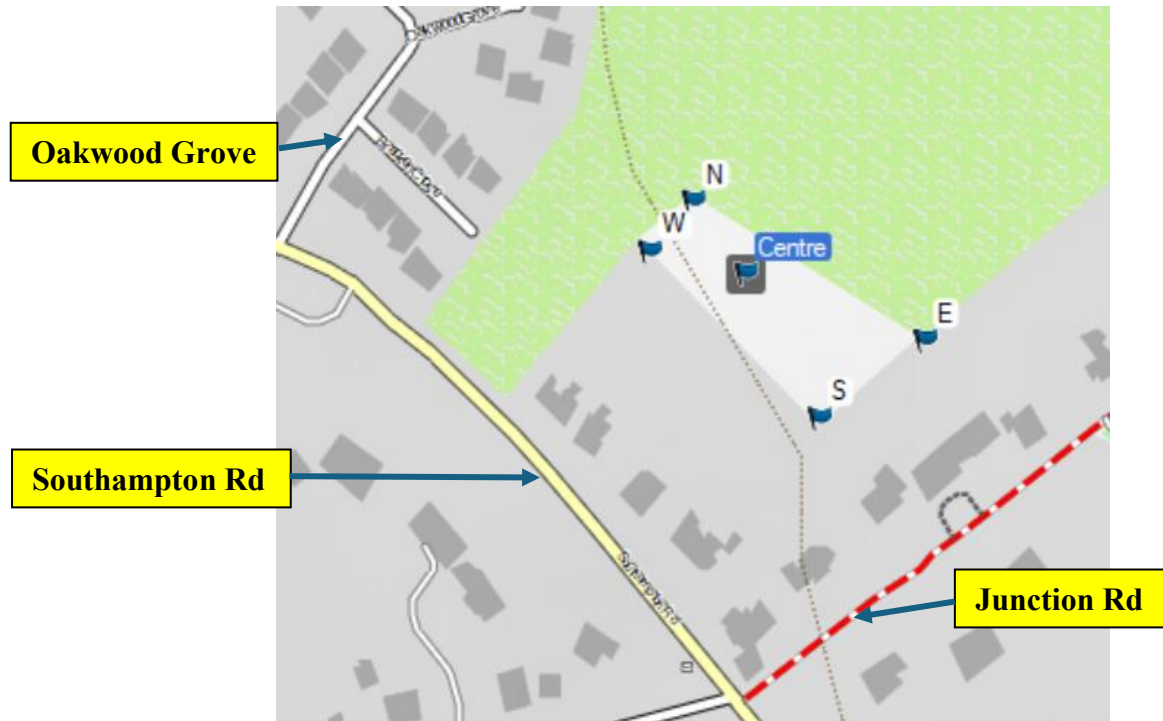
Southampton Road Allotments Association (SRAA) Allotment Site, Alderbury

Area to be covered	The allotment site is a parcel of land within 4.5ha of land abutting Southampton Road and Junction Road. Access to the allotment site is via an existing metal gate from Southampton Road that follows a track to another secure gate of the existing Parish Council (PC) allotments. The allotment has a secured fence line, the North, East and South fence lines bounded by mature hedgerows and trees. The West fence line is bounded by the access track that contours the agricultural field that extends to the A36 public highway. The location of the allotment site is shown in the attached plan and can be found using these marked OS Grid References (GRs): Centre: SU 18909 27208 North: SU 18891 27231 West: SU 18875 27215 South: SU 18936 27162 East: SU 18973 27187 Or at the following what3words - /// brave.selection.hamsters
Ownership	Current occupants are the SRAA tenants on 26 plots holding 12-month contracts with Alderbury PC (see list attached). Freehold Owner (whole site bordered by Southampton Rd, Junction Rd, Oakwood Grove and A36 bypass): Formula Land (Alderbury), Office 6, 7-11 High St, Reigate, Surrey, RH2 9AA. Land licensed (not leased) to: Alderbury PC (car park field, access track to SRAA main gate and the SRAA site itself): Alderbury Parish Council, PO Box 2366, Salisbury, SP2 2N. Land Registry entry is attached in a separate document.

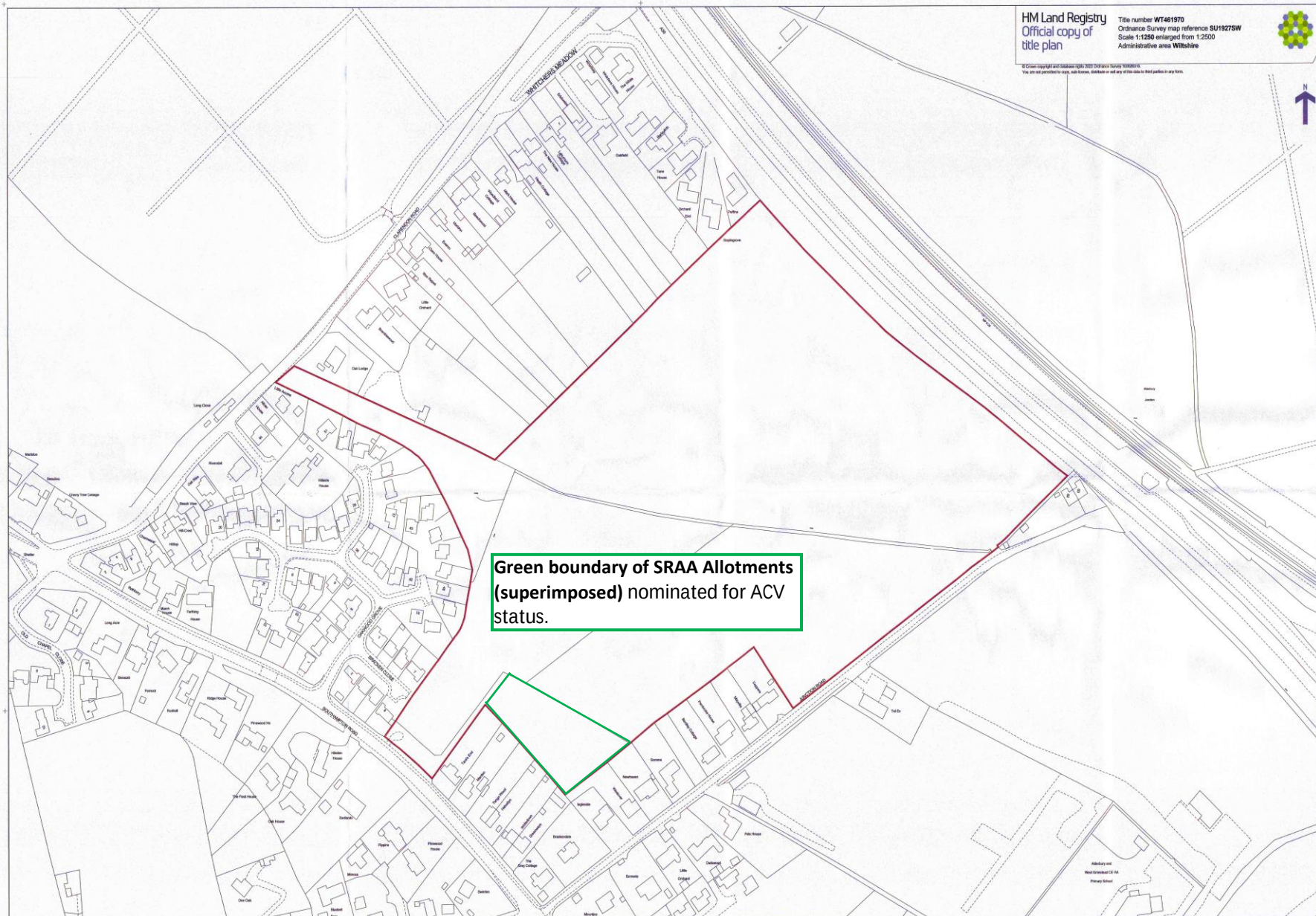
Community value	The SRAA was formed in 2012 by Alderbury PC when they leased land from the Earl of Radnor's (Longford) Estate. This land was transformed into 26 x 100m² plots, contained within a secure high-fenced enclosure. The lease was later replaced by a licence, now with Formula Land (Alderbury) Limited as the current landowner, with an enduring five-year renewal. APC has two ex officio members on the SRAA Committee, continues to act as Licensee, and is fully supportive of our aims and commitment. Alderbury PC meetings include periodic discussions about SRAA issues; the Parish Magazine has interest items about SRAA. The plots provide a healthy leisure activity for residents of Alderbury, Whaddon & West Grimstead villages. There is a varied membership from young families with children, plus working and retired adults. One plot is held by a charity for its vulnerable adults, another is set aside for a Beaver Group. As a sign of our affinity with the local community, the local primary school is being invited to share a new unpaid plot with other youth groups, with regular staffed visits to understand how to grow produce. The current 26 plots are all occupied, evidence of the social value to the community. The allotments continue to provide significant wellbeing to the village residents; with many recognised holistic health and physical benefits, adding to the social connection as a community, increasing happiness, whilst improving physical strength, fitness and energy for working and retired adults. Gardener support to the Beaver Group and School/Youth Groups helps children to learn how plants grow, to recognise food plants and to gain practical gardening skills; in general, the activity lowers symptoms of anxiety and depression, particularly for one plot looked after by a vulnerable adult charity. It is clear that the SRAA allotments further the social wellbeing and interests of the local community, and has met this need for almost 14 years. The current licence has been extended to March 2027 so this facility will realistically continue to play a vital role in local life for the three villages. After this extension, the licence agreement allows renewal every five years, ensuring ongoing reliable management and continued community involvement. The land has no alternative use, it has allotments as its primary use; there is no road access to the Site. The pending planning application for development of the adjoining land states: <i>"The (development) site is currently served by an existing field gate, which provides access to the allotments positioned behind the road-fronting residential properties along Southampton Road...The access will continue to be used for the allotments, where a dedicated car park will also be provided as part of these proposals, in order to formalise and upgrade these facilities for the benefit of the local community."</i>
Eligibility to nominate	SRAA is an unincorporated organisation formed by Alderbury PC in 2012 when they established the allotments' site and offered tenancies to residents living in the Parish. In 2024 this was extended to include residents in the nearby village of West Grimstead. SRAA coordinates the tenancy process and management of the Site on behalf of the Licensee: Alderbury PC. Below is a list of the 39 x allotment holders, which exceeds the required figure of 21. The actual figure of parishioners who have, or have had, tenancies is over a hundred, given change of residence or medical issues resulting in surrender of plots.

Map of SRAA Site with Following GRs:

- Centre: SU 18909 27208
- North: SU 18891 27231
- West: SU 18875 27215
- South: SU 18936 27162
- East: SU 18973 27187



SRAA Application for ACV Feb 26: LR Docs



Applicant's Details

Parish	Alderbury
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Community area	Southern Wiltshire
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Your organisation	Southampton Road Allotments Association (SRAA)
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Position held	SRAA Chair
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I confirm that all information provided is accurate and complete

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