

Coppull Parish Neighbourhood Plan

Analysis of Green and Blue Assets in Coppull – February 2024

compiled by members of the Steering Group

In order to identify Green open space and Blue space in Coppull and its environs, the authors of the report have drawn extensively on Chorley Council's Open Space, Sports and Recreation Strategy (OSSR): Action Plan 2020 – 2036

Information has also been obtained from maps provided by both the Open Space Strategy Officer and the Planning Officer for Chorley Council

Other reference materials:

Coppull Parish Plan 2005: Action in Coppull for Everyone and associated working documents.

A Landscape Strategy for Lancashire: Lancaster Character Assessment December 2000.

Spaces to be protected as they are considered to be of value to the Community

Parks and Gardens

Springfield Park, Springfield Rd. – 0.3ha – land adjacent to the playground and playing fields at the Leisure Centre

Coppull Memorial Garden, Spendmore Lane, B5251 – 0.7ha land donated to the village

Berry's Garden, Chapel Lane – 0.5ha. land donated to the village in memory of a resident.

Jubilee Garden, Spendmore Lane – 0.11ha – land owned by the Council and created as a Community Garden

Amenity Space

'Railway Triangle', between Station Rd and Spendmore Lane. – 0.25ha.

The Green in front of the Printer's Arms Pub, Chapel Lane – 0.7ha – land linked to Berry's Garden

Spare land off Bogburn Lane and Crane Street - 0.21ha.

Allotments – Tanyard Close

Community Orchard – Byron Crescent

Industrial / Heritage Ponds

Coppull Mill Lodge - Enterprise Mill

Brickworks – Hic Bibi

Analysis of Sites

The following table identifies the types of green open space to be found in Coppull (ref: OSSR Strategy Action Plan)

Types of Green Space

Typology	Primary purpose	Sites in Coppull
Parks and gardens	Accessible high-quality opportunities for informal recreation and community events.	Springfield Park, Coppull Memorial Garden, Berry's Garden Chapel Lane, Jubilee Garden,

Natural and semi-natural greenspaces	Wildlife conservation, biodiversity and environmental education and awareness	Chisnall Hall Nature Reserve, Blainscough Wood Nature Reserve, Yarrow Valley Country Park, Hic Bibi Nature Reserve, Spring Wood, John Wood, Big Wood, Coppull Hall Wood,
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Amenity greenspace	Opportunity for informal activities close to home or work or enhancement of the appearance of residential or other areas.	Longfield Avenue, Burwell Avenue, Between Chapel Lane/ Poplar Drive, Byron Crescent Clancutt Lane, Between Spendmore Lane/ Station Road, Brookfield AGS,
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Provision for children and young people	Areas designed primarily for play and social interaction involving children and young people, such as equipped play areas, MUGAs, skateboard areas and teenage shelters.	Play area adjacent 105 Longfield Avenue, Hurst Brook Play Area, Byron Crescent Play Area, Byron Crescent Multi Use Games Area (MUGA), Play area opposite 14 Manor Way, Play area rear of 19 Tansley Avenue, Mid Lancs BMX Track, Chisnall Lane, Springfield Leisure Park MUGA, skate park and play area Yarrow Valley Play Area,
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Allotments	Opportunities for those people who wish to do so to grow their own produce as part of the long-term promotion of sustainability, health and social inclusion.	Tanyard Close, Community Orchard on Byron Crescent
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Cemeteries, churchyards and other burial grounds	Quiet contemplation and burial of the dead, often linked to the promotion of wildlife conservation and biodiversity.	St Oswald's Catholic Church St John The Divine, Hewlett St., Coppull Parish Church, Chapel Lane, Methodist Church, Spendmore Lane
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Green corridors and lungs	Areas or route which provide walking, cycling or horse riding, whether for leisure purposes or travel. May also offer opportunities for wildlife mitigation.	Bridleway from Mill Lane to Charnock Richard alongside the railway line Bridleway through Hic Bibi Nature Reserve
Civic Space	Including civic and market squares, and other hard surfaced areas designed for pedestrians	Coppull Memorial Park, Spendmore Lane, Coppull Leisure Centre (Parish Office)

Typology	Analysis area	Sites in Coppull
Football pitches Non Council managed sites Rugby Union Rugby League Bowling Greens		Coppull United Coppull Primary School Chisnall Lane - Chorley Panthers RLFC Chisnall Lane - Chorley Panthers ARLFC Coppull Conservative Club

The following table identifies the types of blue space to be found within the Coppull boundary

Types of Blue Space

Typology	Primary purpose	Sites in Coppull
Rivers	A haven for wildlife and enabling biodiversity Enhancing the area	River Yarrow
Brooks supplemented by field ditches	Boundary markers Wildlife conservation, biodiversity and environmental awareness	North – Clancutt Brook; East – (R. Yarrow); Eller Brook; Moss Ditch; South – stream known locally as Buckow (east), Hic Bibi (central), Stars (west) West – Whittle Brook

Industrial / Heritage Ponds	Opportunity for recreation – walking, fishing and photography. Wildlife conservation Landscape value Heritage value	Coppull Mill Lodge - Enterprise Mill Birkacre Lodges – Yarrow Valley Country Park Brickworks – Hic Bibi
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Ponds	Wildlife conservation biodiversity and environmental awareness	Duck Pond - Coppull Hall Lane Wildlife Pond Chisnall Nature Reserve Various un-named ponds scattered in fields around the village
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N.B. The data in the tables below is currently being re-evaluated by consultants KKP owing to the change in ward boundaries. This will be updated shortly.

Table A4.1: Current provision by Ward

Wards	Current population ¹	Parks & gardens		Natural seminatural & greenspace		Amenity greenspace		Provision for children/ young people		Allotments	
		Hectares	Hectares per 1,000	Hectares	Hectares per 1,000	Hectares	Hectares per 1,000	Hectares	Hectares per 1,000	Hectares	Hectares per 1,000
Chisnall	4,141	0.26	0.06	387.18	93.50	2.84	0.69	3.06	0.74	0.47	0.11
Coppull	6,747	0.78	0.12	8.82	1.31	2.4	0.36	0.69	0.10	-	-

Table A4.2: Current provision against recommended quantity standards (hectares per 1,000 population)

Wards	Population	Parks & gardens	Natural & seminatural greenspace	Amenity greenspace	Provision for children/ young people	Allotments
		1.72	6.42	0.85	0.09	0.07

		<i>Current</i>	<i>Surplus/ deficient</i>	<i>Current</i>	<i>Surplus/ deficient</i>	<i>Current</i>	<i>Surplus/ deficient</i>	<i>Current</i>	<i>Surplus/ deficient</i>	<i>Current</i>	<i>Surplus/ deficient</i>
Chisnall	4,141	0.06	-1.66	93.50	87.08	0.69	-0.16	0.74	0.65	0.11	0.04
Coppull	6,747	0.12	-1.60	1.31	-5.11	0.36	-0.49	0.10	0.01	-	-0.07

¹ Source: Mid 2017 population estimates for 2017 Ward
