APPENDIX B - CONSULTATION RESPONSES

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What type(s) of Open Space do you or your organisation use and/or manage? Tick all that apply.

	Response Percent	Response Total
Public Parks and Gardens	20.00%	1
Natural and Semi-Natural Greenspace	80.00%	4
Amenity Greenspace	100.00%	5
Provision for Children and Young People	80.00%	4
Allotments and Community Gardens	60.00%	3
Accessible Areas of Countryside on the Urban Fringe	20.00%	1
Green Corridors	20.00%	1
Churchyards and Cemeteries	20.00%	1
Civic Spaces	0.00%	0
Educational Grounds	0.00%	0
Other (please specify):	0.00%	0

What type(s) of Open Space do you prefer to provide as part of new development? Tick all that apply.

	Response Percent	Response Total
Public Parks and Gardens	0.00%	0
Natural and Semi-Natural Greenspace	100.00%	5
Amenity Greenspace	100.00%	5
Provision for Children and Young People	40.00%	2
Allotments and Community Gardens	20.00%	1
Accessible Areas of Countryside on the Urban Fringe	20.00%	1
Green Corridors	20.00%	1
Churchyards and Cemeteries	0.00%	0
Civic Spaces	0.00%	0
Educational Grounds	20.00%	1

How do you manage Open Spaces post development?

	Response Percent	Response Total
Transfer to Local Authority	40.00%	2
Transfer to an external management company	60.00%	3
Establishment of an internal management compan	0.00%	0

Additional Comments

One developer aims to have a mixture of Transfer to Local Authority and to an external management organisation, although aims to transfer the majority to local authority.

One developer commented that resident owned entities are set up at the outset with a managing agent undertaking maintenance

One developer noted that Management Companies generally seem to be the only option, although they would prefer to transfer to District or Parish Councils. In addition, another developer noted that they hope any POS is adopted by the District/Parish Council as these bodies are more reliable and less likely to fall away by future residents - as well as commenting on that residents to not have to fund the ongoing cost of maintenance

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If you answered Transfer to Local Authority to the above question please tick N/A. If you answered with an alternative response please identify the barriers to transferring Open Space to Harborough District Council

	Response Percent	Response Total
Financial	0.00%	0
Value of the commuted sum	20.00%	1
Length of the commuted sum	0.00%	0
Process of tranfer	60.00%	3
N/A	20.00%	2

Additional Comments

One developer noted that the cost of the commuted sum can be the difference between winning or losing a site.
Other responses included that transfer to Local Authority has historically not been available, or that the process has been unclear on steps to be taken or who is responsible for driving the process forward, the timescales involved and the value of commuted sums.

Harborough District Council are interested to hear whether developers would favour a number of units threshold below which play provisions are not required in a new development. Tick applicable response

	Response Percent	Response Total
Would Favour	100%	5
Would Oppose	0.00%	0

Additional Comments

Developers noted that typologies must have clear thresholds to provide consistency and clarity, one developer stated that this should be set our in a policyor SPD.

Do you currently use the Open Space Study (2016) to inform the design of your proposed developments?

	Response Percent	Response Total
Yes	60.00%	3
No	40.00%	2

Additional Comments

One developer noted that there should be consistency in the way the SPD is applied to ensure any contribution or inclusion of POS is proportionate.