

## Governs Park reserved matters planning application

Plans for Langarth include providing many hectares of green infrastructure, including natural areas, open spaces and allotments as well as many miles of cycling and walking routes and a range of community facilities.

Part of the wider Governs land has been set aside as a key green space for future residents of the Garden Village, as well as existing residents in the surrounding areas, including Threemilestone, Kenwyn and Truro.

The area includes a Scheduled Monument – known locally as Governs Round – which to date has been inaccessible to the public. There are spectacular views over surrounding landscapes from the higher parts of the site, and more enclosed areas where there is woodland in the valleys and on the slopes.

A reserved matters application - seeking detailed planning consent for around 35 acres of natural green space and over 6km of walking and cycling routes at Governs Park - was submitted to the Council as Planning Authority on July 2022 following public consultation. A decision on this application is currently due in February 2023.

Details of the application can be found here <https://planning.cornwall.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=RFZK4EFGM3400&activeTab=summary>

This is the first “reserved matters” application to be submitted to the Local Planning Authority for approval and highlights the importance of providing green and open spaces in the plans for the Garden Village.

If detailed planning permission is granted work on providing the park and green spaces for use by future residents of the Garden Village, as well as existing residents in the surrounding areas, including Threemilestone, Kenwyn and Truro, would be due to be completed in the summer of 2024.

Long term stewardship will be put in place over this timeframe so that ongoing future management can be secured from the opening of the greenspace to the public.