Appendix 1: Local Green Infrastructure

POOL BANK-ARTHINGTON LANE CORRIDOR

The Pool Bank-Arthington Lane Corridor runs from Pool Bank, at the Leeds Road/Old Pool Bank/Cabin Road junction, east through Pool Bank Quarries and along Avenue des Hirondelles to Pool Bank New Road. From here it follows the line of the dismantled railway before turning north to embrace the wooded residential enclave of Tower Drive and the stream that defines the Parish boundary towards the east.

The corridor is publically accessible for much of its length with the exception of the disused railway and Tower Drive, although as a private road, the latter forms an attractive walkable amenity for its local residents. The stretch from Pool Bank to Pool Bank New Road is a public footpath and is wellused by walkers and locals alike.

The corridor also has an important wildlife function offering virtually continuous woodland and associated grassland habitats along its entire length. It falls, again more or less in its entirety, within the Leeds Habitat Network.

Tower Drive is identified in the Pool-in-Wharfedale CAAMP as one of the two most important green spaces within the conservation area. The CAAMP states that its "mature growth and planting add a strong green value to the conservation area". It is further identified as a Local Green Space within the Neighbourhood Plan, together with Pool Bank Quarries and the Swallow Drive to Disused Railway Walkway.

The corridor feeds westwards into the Strategic Green Infrastructure of Chevin Ridge and continues eastwards, beyond the Neighbourhood Area boundary, to take in the disused railway and the grassland, woodland and wetland habitats of Limekiln Hill, Fosterson's Wood and Hunger Hill within Bramhope Parish.

The corridor also links with the Bramhope Wood Local Green Infrastructure Corridor at Pool Bank New Road.

BRAMHOPE WOOD CORRIDOR

The Bramhope Wood Corridor is a short corridor extending south west from the dismantled railway, east of Pool Bank New Road, along the steeply sided stream valley within Bramhope Wood and on to the open fields of Moorlands Farm outside the Neighbourhood Area.

It is in private ownership with no public accessibility, but has definite value as a landscape and wildlife corridor, the entirety of which falls within the Leeds Habitat Network. Both corridor and network spill eastwards into Bramhope across Staircase Lane and into Staircase Wood.

The corridor links with the Pool Bank-Arthington Lane Corridor at its northern end.