Neighbourhood: Zone 3. Oakham SW. Area enclosed by Lonsdale Way, Braunston Road and Glebe Way

This walk took place on Saturday 4 August 2018 at 09.00am to 11.30pm. It was attended by:

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Appendix A: Neighbourhood Overview Table

Neighbourhood: Zone 3. Oakham SW Lonsdale Way estates	
Age	Predominantly 1960's and 70s with a small number of 2000's houses on the north edge on the site of a former primary school and a 2010's estate on the south edge next to another primary school.
	Detached, semi-detached and terraced homes. A large number of the established homes have loft and side extensions and garage conversions.
Land Uses	Wholly residential with the exception of a convenience store and the Guide and Scout halls.
Layout types	Numerous cul-de-sacs and grid roads branching from three main roads round the neighbourhood. Majority of plots are set back from the road with front and back gardens and in most cases grass in the area between the footpath and the road. Some houses have communal parking with or without garages, and frontages are accessed via footpath.
	The homes on the north of Braunstone Road are single storey with new-builds and infill homes on the south side.
	Between Lonsdale Way and Cold Overton Road. This was not part of the original walking route. The homes in this area mainly comprise what appears to be social housing. The homes on the road branching off Cold Overton Road are similar in terms of design, density and age to the Oakham North estate. In this area as a whole there are a number of cul-de-sacs with pedestrian walkways connecting the cul-de-sacs.
Natural Features	There is a stream running west to east in the area north of Lonsdale Way, bordered by hedges, and it is assumed that the gardens on that side of Lonsdale Way end at the river bank.
Open Spaces and Recreation	Numerous green spaces, including a large area leading to a playground and the scout and guide huts at the west end of Lonsdale Way, and a large area outside the convenience store. Wide green edges to some roads.
Services and Facilities	There is a convenience store in the space originally taken up by three shops including a bakery and chemist. The owner of the store would like to set up a Post Office section to meet the needs of the community. There was a primary school, Ferrers, in Cold Overton Road. However this was closed in the 1990s. Guide hut and Scout hut used for a variety of community activities on the NW edge of the area. Used by people both within and outside the neighbourhood.
Landmarks	Apart from the stream, halls and open spaces the area gives the sense of space with views across to the countryside north of Cold Overton Road and south of Braunston Road. Large number of mature trees and approximately 10 oak saplings throughout the area.