

Local list description and map for Small Green in Front of Church Farm

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This area meets the following criteria for local listing:

(A) Date and rarity. The older a designed landscape is, and the fewer the surviving examples of its kind, the more likely it is to have special interest. Likely to be designated are:

- i. sites formed before 1750 where at least a proportion of the original layout is still in evidence

(B) Further considerations which may influence selection, and may exceptionally be sufficient by themselves to merit:

- i. Sites with a strong group value with other heritage assets

Summary and introduction:

This small green in front of Church Farm and opposite St John the Baptist's church is of special local interest as it was donated by a John Edward Clarke for the benefit of the people of Pinner in July 1924 as a public open space in perpetuity. It has a strong association with the Pinner High Street Conservation Area in which it is set, forming a good part of its village character, and is in the setting of: the grade II listed Church Farm, the grade II listed brick wall between Church Farm and number 82 Paines Lane, the grade II* listed St Johns Church and the grade II listed Haywood House, 64 High Street.

Details:

This is a small green in front of Church Farm and opposite the grade II* listed St John the Baptist's church (q.v.) at the junction of Paine's Lane and High Street, separated from the main road by low white painted posts and chains, white bollards to the (private) roadway in front of the houses. A plaque set into a block of stone records that it was donated by John Edward Clarke for the benefit of the people of Pinner in July 1924 as a public open space in perpetuity. The green forms a key part of the village character of the Pinner High Street Conservation Area. It provides a valuable setting to the grade II listed Church Farm, one of Pinner's oldest buildings, has remnants from the C16th, C17th and C18th building such as interior wooden panelling. It was a working farm until 1906 although by then the farmland belonging to it was at a distance, along Rayners Lane.

Sources:

London Parks and Gardens Trust, The London Inventory Historic Green Spaces, Harrow 2003

London Gardens Online:

<http://www.londongardensonline.org.uk/gardens-online-record.php?ID=HRW012>

Joanne Verden 'Ten Walks Around Pinner', (The Pinner Association) 1999 ed.

National List descriptions:

Brick wall between Church Farm and No 82 Paines Lane:

<https://historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list/list-entry/1079679>

Church Farmhouse: <https://historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list/list-entry/1285921>

Church of St John the Baptist:

<https://historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list/list-entry/1286312>

Haywood House, 64 High Street:

<https://historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list/list-entry/1079706>

