

There are several measures that have been taken to help prevent anti-social behaviour at Stoke Park Farm SANG, including:

- **Defining ownership**

Clearly defining who owns an area can encourage local residents to take responsibility for it. This can reduce the likelihood of crime and anti-social behaviour. Stoke Park Farm will include information boards at all entrance/exit points. The boards will include information about the site as well as Council ownership and contact details.

- **Landscaping**

Hedges can be better barriers than fences, and thorny shrubs can control access to certain areas. Gravel surfaces can also be used to signal when someone is approaching. The site has been designed to include an abundance of hedgerows around the perimeter as well as new metal fencing to the entire site boundary. All footpaths are to be self-binding gravel.

- **Maintenance**

Well maintained facilities can discourage ASB by encouraging their patronage. An open space that is well used and busy is safer as a result of self-policing by the open space users. Furthermore the site will be checked regularly by bin emptying crews as well as fortnightly scheduled site checks by a countryside ranger.

- **Landscape Design**

Landscape design can help prevent anti-social behaviour in open spaces by making it easier for people to feel safe and in control. Stoke Park Farm SANG has been specifically designed to provide open and clear access with multiple entrance and exit points. Clear sight lines ensures visitors can see their route and the way out.

- **Furniture**

Minimal infrastructure, no shelters on site, low specification of street furniture (benches) make items less susceptible to theft. A reduced provision of bins that are dog waste only make the site less attractive for loitering.

- **Restoring parks**

The restoration and renovation of the site will help revitalise the area. Encouraging greater use of open spaces allows the community to take back its green spaces from the minority who misuse them, and a greater sense of ownership and responsibility brings a reduction in other forms of antisocial behaviour such as graffiti, drinking drug taking and littering.

- **Car Park**

The Bishopstoke Cemetery Car Park is an existing piece of infrastructure. To date reports of anti-social behaviour taking place in the car park have been minimal. Should anti-social behaviour become a persistent problem the Council are happy to work with the owner of the car park to introduce additional measures to reduce anti-social behaviour