

Local Green Space

Area by Arthur Mee's Seat (Amended area)

TQ 538663

Community Value

The wooden bench known as Arthur Mee's seat was placed here by Eynsford Village Society in 1981 to replace the original seat presented to the village in 1930 by the well known author of the Children's Encyclopaedia and many other works, Mr. Arthur Mee, who lived nearby. It can be accessed from a nearby pathway, SD 181, at a point where the path turns sharply uphill towards Pedham Place after climbing the side of the valley from Eynsford village centre. The pathway which passes a local vineyard provides an opportunity to enjoy its natural hillside setting. The Local Green Space itself provides a range of flora and fauna both in the open chalk grassland and the adjacent woodland. It is located on a popular walking route, being sheltered from north-westerly winds by woodland, while providing a good vantage point with far reaching views over the Darent Valley between Eynsford and Farningham, and beyond.

Suitability for LGS Designation

Special Community Value

The space is of special community value as noted above.

Not an extensive tract of Land - Area of Space (Ha)

0.12 Ha (approx. 60 metres x 20 metres)
total of open field in front of seat plus woodland behind.

Planning permissions or site allocations

None

Other designations

Within an area of National Landscape. The woodland is noted in the Natural England Green Infrastructure Map and is subject to a tree preservation order.

Close to the Community it serves

Located approx. 1 Km. from village centre via Riverside, Crockenhill Lane and Footpath SD 181.

