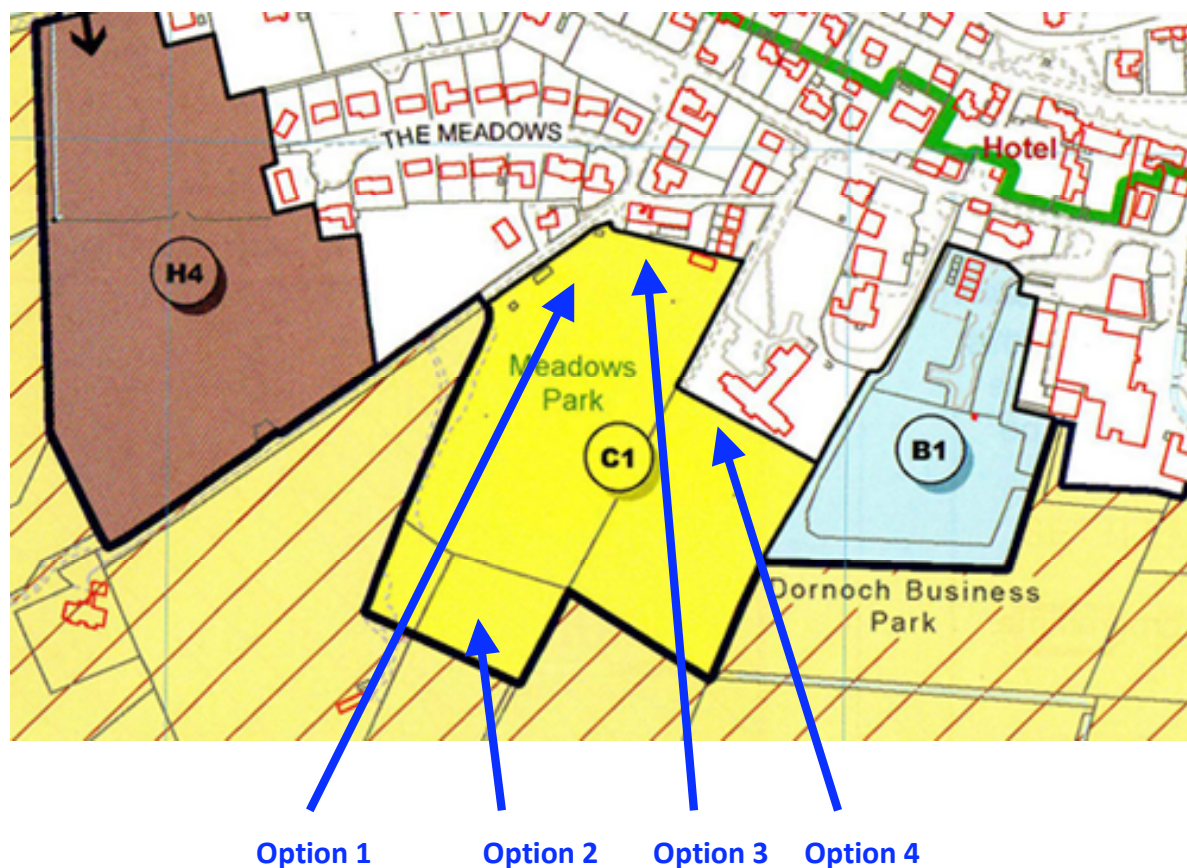


## Appendix D Assessment of sites within Meadows Park

Four sites have been discussed within Meadows Park and are assessed as follows.



### Option 1 Preferred site - Beside football pitch

This site is preferable for a Community Centre because it is close to the pedestrian entrance, when arrival on foot is encouraged in reference to generation of traffic, even if Planners may prefer the Southern Perimeter site. It is not in direct line of sight of the householders to the north, and shielded by trees to the west.

This site is located between the Highland Gathering viewing stand and the lane which runs along the Meadows Park western boundary. A building here would have to incorporate new viewing facilities for the Highland Gathering, because the existing stand would have to be demolished. The site is constrained, but the conceptual design discussed in Section 5 indicates that the required facilities can be provided within it. Care would have to be taken to ensure that the lateral space required for building operations protected the football pitch.

- **Planning issues arising:** Some planning objections on residential amenity grounds should be anticipated. Residents lodged objections to inclusion of this site in the Local Plan. Highland Council took these objections into account when choosing Meadows Park for community use.