

**CHESTER LOCAL PLAN
VICARS LANE
Agricultural Land Classification
ALC Map and Report
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INTRODUCTION

1. This report presents the findings of a detailed Agricultural Land Classification (ALC) survey on 2.9 hectares of land. The results of this survey supersede any previous ALC information for this land. The land is located to the west of the A41 road and north of the A51 road on the eastern side of Chester. The survey was in connection with the Chester Local Plan.
2. The survey was undertaken on behalf of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (MAFF) in August 1997 by the Resource Planning Team of the Farming and Rural Conservation Agency (FRCA)- Northern region of FRCA.
3. The land has been graded in accordance with the publication "Agricultural Land Classification of England and Wales - Revised guidelines and criteria for grading the quality of agricultural land" (MAFF 1988) .
4. At the time of survey the agricultural land on this site was used as a rugby football ground with flood lighting installed. The site has been classified as "other land".

SUMMARY

5. The findings of the survey are shown on the enclosed ALC map. The ALC map is only accurate at this base map scale and any enlargement would be misleading.
6. The area and proportions of the ALC grades and subgrades on the surveyed land are summarised in Table 1.

Table 1: Area of grades and other land

Grade/Other land	Area (hectares)	% surveyed area	% site area
1	-	-	-
2	-	-	-
3a	-	-	-
3b	-	-	-
4	-	-	-
5	-	-	-
Agricultural land not surveyed	-	-	-
Other land	2.9	100	100
Total surveyed area	0	100	-
Total site area	2.9	-	100

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