BLAISE COMMUNITY GARDEN OUTLINE PLAN – JANUARY 2015 VERSION

For the purpose of discussion the area of the garden has been assumed to include the whole area outlined on the accompanying plan. The numbered statements are a brief summary of a more detailed schedule of development proposals arrived at as a result of internal discussions and comments made by schools, other organisations and individual members of the local community. For ease of identification various areas of the garden are identified numerically in this document and on the attached plan.

1+2+3 – greenhouses
G1 fully glazed and used for tender plants. G2 and G3 and spaces in between used as allotment, vegetable, herb, and flower beds.

3.5 - area between greenhouses 3+4

Allocated plots for community groups and individuals who grow own choice fruit/vegetables.

4 - greenhouse 4

To be cleared and restored as co-operative growing area together with allocated plots area between G4 and G5 for community groups and individuals to grow own choice fruit and vegetables.

4.5 – area between greenhouses 4+5

Allocated plots for community groups and individuals to grow own choice fruit and vegetables.

5 - greenhouse 5

Victorian wooden greenhouse to be cleared and restored to grow house historical plants and information about the history of the garden and Blaise Estate including wildlife, walks and events.

6 – area below greenhouse 5

All current vegetation to be cleared and area developed as a wild life garden with pond. Wall vegetation to be cleared to provide space for growing heritage variety espalier fruit trees fronted by ornamental herbaceous border.

7 - herb and scented garden

Area of culinary herbs and scented plants for the benefit of visually impaired individuals. Walls to host heritage variety espalier fruit trees.

8 - assembly and seating area

Sunny area to be used for recreational purposes by volunteers and visitors and as assembly area in case of emergency. Also backed by heritage variety espalier fruit trees.

8.5 - activity and exhibition area

To be used for artistic and educational exhibitions and temporary activities.

9 - office and training room

Restored building to be used as an office space for potential grant funded site manager and as a classroom for volunteer and public training/ educational purposes.

10 - large glazed greenhouse

Restored building to be used for over-winter storage of summer outdoor plants and as a general plants storage and sales space.

11 - glazed propagation house

Restored building for developing new plants from seeds and cuttings. Will allow production of new plants for the Blaise Garden and, potentially, other local gardens / allotments.

12 – west wall and tool store

Repaired wall to host cordon fruit trees and restored secure tool and seed store.

13 – general (not on plan)

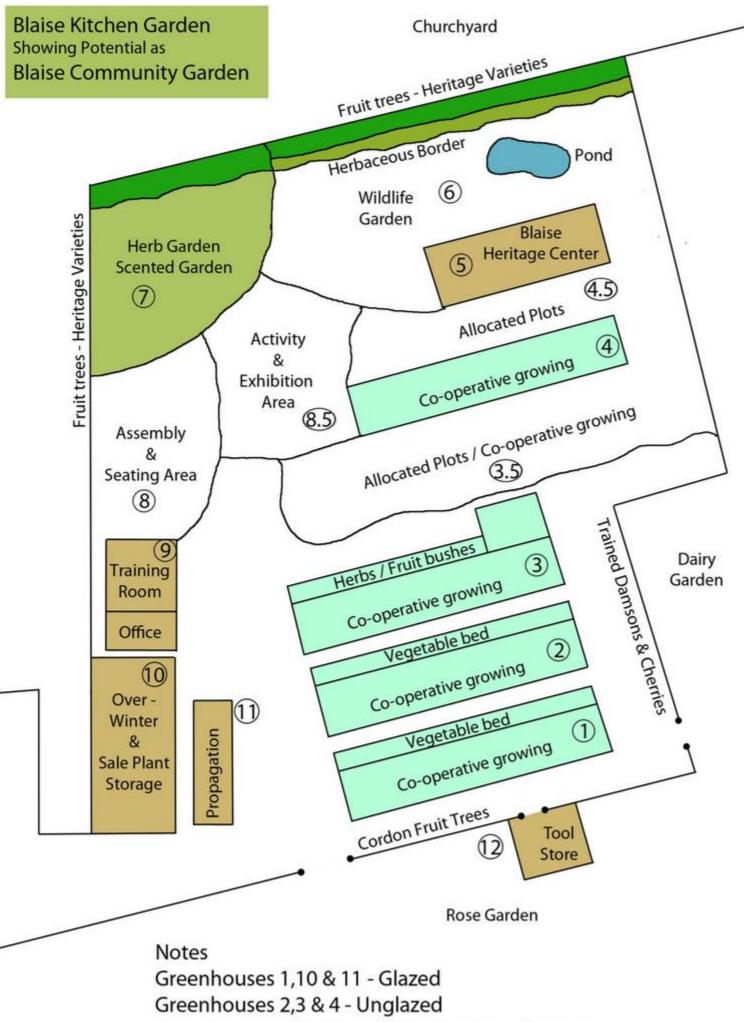
Improve aspect of safety and appearance of whole site by thorough clearing, detailed minor repairs, careful planting and other cosmetic treatments. Further promote the garden as an accessible feature of the Blaise Estate on the lines of National trust practice.

14 – finance (not on plan)

Continue to secure a range of grants and other fund raising activities for routine development/maintenance work and develop a major Heritage lottery fund grant application for major parts of the outline plan.

15 - Bristol Green City 2015 (not on plan)

Feature the garden restoration and development as an element of the 2015 celebrations.



Greenhouse 5 - Restored Victorian Greenhouse Numbers 1-12 Keyed in Outline Plan