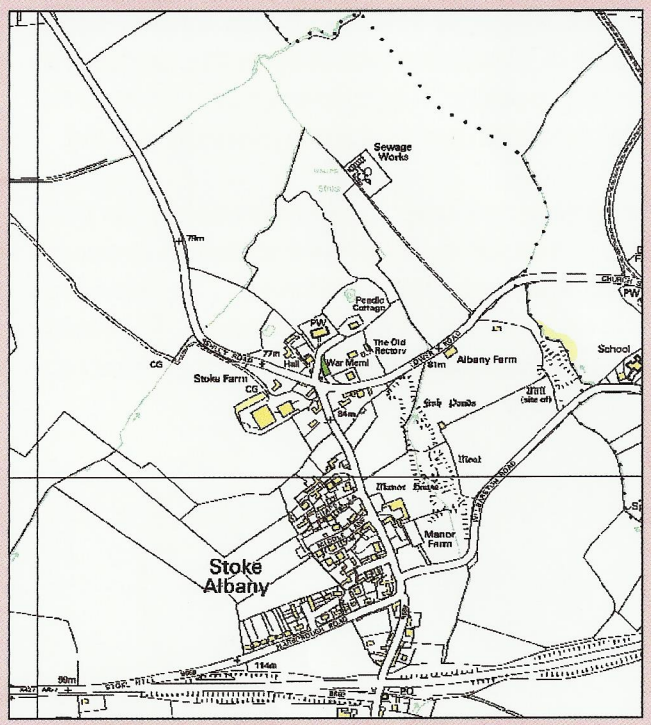
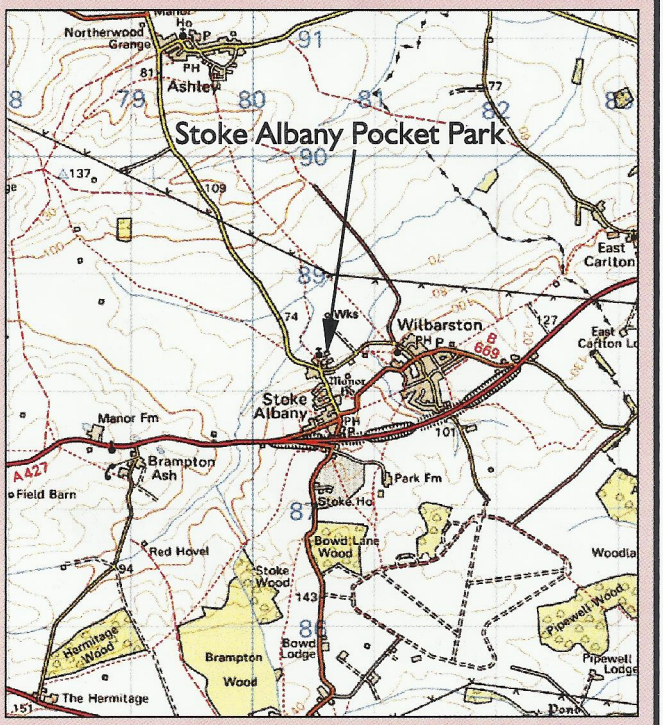
STOKE ALBANY POCKET PARK







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Stoke Albany Pocket Park has been created from a very small parcel of land close to the village church and the village green. It has an idyllic, peaceful atmosphere and is the perfect spot for walkers on the Jurassic Way to rest awhile.

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Grid Reference:	Landranger Series No. 141 SP805883
Access Point:	From Ashley Road or Lower Road onto the village green by the War Memorial.
Rights of Way:	HA15 and Jurassic Way.
Suitability:	The site is a small level meadow with no formal footpaths.
Area:	0.1 acres. 0.04 hectares.

Established:	1997.
Owned by:	Stoke Albany Parish Council.
Managed by:	Stoke Albany Pocket Park Group.
Initial Development funded by:	Northamptonshire County Council Kettering Borough Council, Countryside Agency, Stoke Albany Parish Council.
District/Borough:	Kettering.

History:	The land where the Pocket Park lies was in private ownership for many years and had become neglected. Since it was located in such a prominent position in the village, in 1995 the Parish Council began negotiations to buy the land. Their aim was to open it up to make an attractive area for villagers to enjoy. They also negotiated to have the unsightly electric cables which ran across the site put underground.
Management Objectives:	To lay the existing hedgerow and keep it well maintained. To plant trees and shrubs which will make the area more attractive to people and wildlife. To install and maintain nestboxes. To introduce wildflowers into the meadow to increase its biodiversity. To provide facilities for people to sit and enjoy the peace and beauty of the area.
Special Wildlife:	Pipistrelle Bat. Little Owl. Cowslip, Primrose. Hedgehog.



Cowslip

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