

Name of nominating organisation	Cheltenham Civic Society
Name of nominated property:	Pilley Bridge Nature Reserve
Address of nominated property	Mead Road through to Sandy Lane, Cheltenham

Stage 1 assessment – eligibility criteria

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<p>A. Is the nominating organisation eligible?</p> <p>Nomination must be received by a qualifying community organisation, as set out in government regulations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> parish council, including neighbouring parish council unincorporated groups neighbourhood forums community interest groups with a local connection (charity, community interest company, company limited by guarantee that is non profit distributing, industrial and provident society that is non profit distributing) 	<p>In the case of community interest groups, the constitution, memorandum and articles of association or governing document.</p> <p>In the case of an unincorporated group, evidence of the membership of at least 21 people who appear on electoral roll.</p>	<p>Cheltenham Civic Society is registered charity established for the public benefit in the area comprising Cheltenham and its environs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To promote high standards of planning and architecture To stimulate public interest in the geography, history, natural history, architecture, urban design, and planning of the area of benefit. To secure the preservation, protection, development, improvement, and care of features of historic or public interest. <p>Cheltenham Civic Society is therefore a qualifying community organisation.</p>
<p>B. Can the nominating organisation demonstrate a local connection to the asset?</p> <p>The organisation must demonstrate that its activities are concerned with the local authority area where the asset is located or with a neighbouring authority.</p>	<p>Any evidence demonstrating local connection for example: website, publications, reports, maps.</p>	<p>Yes the charitable objects of Cheltenham Civic Society relate specifically to Cheltenham.</p>

<p>C. Does the nomination include the information requested on the nomination form?</p> <p>This should include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a description of the land and proposed boundaries • details of any information the nominating organisation has regarding ownership, occupancy, freeholders and leaseholders 	<p>Nomination form to be checked for this information.</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>D. If the asset is outside one of the categories of exempt assets, as set out in schedule 1 of the regulations?</p> <p>A residence and land associated with a residence, except where an otherwise eligible asset contains residential quarters.</p> <p>Licensed caravan sites.</p> <p>Operational land of statutory undertakers as defined in section 263 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.</p>	<p>Evidence will be checked against known information and planning history.</p>	<p>No</p>

Stage 2 assessment – determining community value

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<p>E. Is there evidence of the use being described in the nomination, and that this is the main and non-ancillary use of the land or premises, or this has been its use within the last 5 years?</p>	<p>Any evidence of usage history including number of individuals or groups, publicity, calendar of events, bookings schedule etc.</p>	<p>Yes, there is evidence that the use described in the nomination form is the main and non-ancillary use of the land or premises.</p>
<p>F. Does this use further the social wellbeing and social interests of the local community? In particular:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the current level of use of the asset and who uses it? • Is it used by particular communities of interest or need? • What do communities gain from their use of the asset and what would be the impact if it were lost? 	<p>What evidence is there that the asset furthers social interests including (a) cultural interests; (b) recreational interests; (c) sporting interests.</p> <p>What evidence is there that the asset furthers social well-being in terms of promoting social interaction and engagement and generating a sense of involvement with other people and their communities.</p>	<p>The evidence supplied by the Civic Society is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kilometre long nature reserve in the southern part of Cheltenham • Friends of Pilley Bridge Nature Reserve formed in 2012 run by a group of enthusiasts and volunteers. Aim is to protect and improve this environmentally important area as a reserve for wildlife and as a resource for the enjoyment of nature by the local community. • Regular current users include: local residents, dog walkers, Leckhampton Woodcraft Folk (both younger and older groups), Leckhampton Beaver Scouts, pre-school groups, after school groups of teenagers, special interest groups, wildlife photographers • A Conservation Work Party is held in the reserve the first Saturday of every month. • Nature explorers meet during school holidays; activities include making places for animals and insects to hibernate, making bird feeders, finding tracks, pond dipping and den building. • Creation of a community orchard at the western end of the reserve. • A “woodland classroom” has been created within the reserve to enable teachers to bring groups of children to have outdoor lessons.

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G. Could the asset realistically continue to be used for this, or another qualifying community purpose (or could this be achieved within the next five years)?	<p>Evidence that there has been no significant change to the asset, which might impact on its fitness for purpose for proposed use or any business plans available for the asset.</p> <p>Condition of the asset and likelihood of funds being raised to remedy any defects to ensure it is fit for purpose.</p> <p>Evidence of a suitable organisation in a position to take this on.</p> <p>Market intelligence to support the case for sustainable community use of the asset.</p>	Yes the asset will realistically continue to be used for this, or another qualifying community purpose.

Recommendation

That this nomination meets the criteria to be an asset of community value and will be placed on Cheltenham Borough Council's list of successful nominations.

**Assets of Community Value
Assessment Process Summary**

Name of nominating organisation	Cheltenham Civic Society
Name of nominated property:	Honeybourne Line Nature Reserve
Address of nominated property	Tommy Taylors Lane to Queens Road, Cheltenham

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<p>B. Can the nominating organisation demonstrate a local connection to the asset?</p> <p>The organisation must demonstrate that its activities are concerned with the local authority area where the asset is located or with a neighbouring authority.</p>	<p>Any evidence demonstrating local connection for example: website, publications, reports, maps.</p>	<p>Yes the charitable objects of Cheltenham Civic Society relate specifically to Cheltenham.</p>

<p>C. Does the nomination include the information requested on the nomination form?</p> <p>This should include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a description of the land and proposed boundaries • details of any information the nominating organisation has regarding ownership, occupancy, freeholders and leaseholders 	<p>Nomination form to be checked for this information.</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>D. If the asset is outside one of the categories of exempt assets, as set out in schedule 1 of the regulations?</p> <p>A residence and land associated with a residence, except where an otherwise eligible asset contains residential quarters.</p> <p>Licensed caravan sites.</p> <p>Operational land of statutory undertakers as defined in section 263 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.</p>	<p>Evidence will be checked against known information and planning history.</p>	<p>No</p>

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<p>E. Is there evidence of the use being described in the nomination, and that this is the main and non-ancillary use of the land or premises, or this has been its use within the last 5 years?</p>	<p>Any evidence of usage history including number of individuals or groups, publicity, calendar of events, bookings schedule etc.</p>	<p>Yes, there is evidence that the use described in the nomination form is the main and non-ancillary use of the land or premises.</p>
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**Assets of Community Value
Assessment Process Summary**

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Name of nominated property:	Griffiths Avenue Nature Reserve
Address of nominated property	Griffiths Avenue, St Marks, Cheltenham, GL51 7AZ

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