APPLICATION NO: 23/00479/LBC		OFFICER: Ms Nicole Gillett
DATE REGISTERED: 23rd March 2023		DATE OF EXPIRY: 18th May 2023
WARD: College		PARISH:
APPLICANT:	Sandford Park Lido Limited	
LOCATION:	Sandford Lido Keynsham Road Cheltenham	
PROPOSAL:	Installation of Solar PV Panels	

REPRESENTATIONS

Number of contributors 48
Number of objections 0
Number of representations 0
Number of supporting 48

Castle Farm Ashley Rd Cheltenham GL52 6NU

Comments: 13th April 2023

I wholeheartedly support this application. The lido is the best thing about the whole of Cheltenham. It would be a disaster if it had to close. It promotes incredible well being. Only the other day I was there and talking to a lady who had recently had a knee replacement, and her regular visits to the Lido was helping her enormously on her physical as well as psychological road to recovery.

People come from miles to visit this incredible place, both for the summer heated swim as well as the amazing cold water swimming that took place this and last year, This is an absolute no brainer to approve this application, please do so.

17 Churchill Drive Charlton Kings Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL52 6JN

Comments: 3rd April 2023

As a season ticket holder and regular user of the Lido I fully support this application in the strongest terms. The lido is a wonderful facility that is an asset to Cheltenham and it would be an incredible shame if it were unable to continue operating. This proposal enables the lido to become a more sustainable facility as well as reducing running costs, allowing it to continue operating. The solar panels will have no effect whatsoever on the appearance of the lido for users of the facility and I see no reason at all to object to the proposal. I can't stress enough how lucky we are in Cheltenham to have access to a 50m

open air pool in such fantastic surroundings, and how important it is to retain this facility with such a rich heritage.

29 Haywards Road Charlton Kings Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL52 6RQ

Comments: 13th April 2023

I fully support this application. The Lido is an amazing community facility that Cheltenham should be proud of. Anything that helps it continue its amazing work has to be supported - the town would be a far inferior place to live without such a stunning place in it. As well as providing a safe place for families to enjoy, it also helps keep the local community fit and is a huge boost for positive mental health.

47 East End Road Charlton Kings Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL53 8QJ

Comments: 24th April 2023

This is an essential development for the lido. In these times of high energy costs, it makes sense for a charity organisation to try and find alternative energy supplies. Also, this is a more environmentally-friendly way of producing energy which fits with the lido ethos.

15 Clarence Square Cheltenham GL50 4JN

Comments: 19th April 2023

The Sandford Park Lido is a great facility and is totally necessary to help combat obesity in all ages. I use this facility regularly with my family. This is a great initiative, not only to keep this facility functioning but also for the environmental impact. I strongly support the installation of the solar panels.

67 Alma Road Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL51 3ND

Comments: 12th April 2023

The installation of solar panels is a brilliant idea which I completely welcome. At a time when we should all be contributing to renewable energy while also keeping the costs of electricity down to keep day-to-day operations viable and memberships prices inclusive, this application should be granted.

2 Priory Terrace Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL52 6DS

Comments: 6th April 2023

As a regular user of the Lido over the last 35 years I welcome this proposal. It is important to protect the use of this valuable public facility and to make it economically sustainable so it can continue for many years to come. The Plant room building is of no architectural merit so I cannot see any reason for anyone to object to the layout as set out in the plans.

19 Naunton Terrace Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL53 7NU

Comments: 13th April 2023

A fantastic piece of investment for such an important resource in Cheltenham. The lido community, and more, will benefit from this installation.

3 Brookview Cottages Pheasant lane Cheltenham GI51 0xx

Comments: 4th April 2023

Great idea to move to become more sustainable and save energy costs of this wonderful facility in our town. A great step to reducing its carbon footprint, which is something we should all be doing.

3 Sydenham Road South Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL52 6EF

Comments: 11th April 2023

Having considered the documentation and knowing the site well, I strongly believe that the proposals to add solar panels to the Lido plant room should be agreed.

There is recognition that there will be some detriment to the plant room building itself but this is far outweighed by the benefits of enabling the lido to remain financially viable and able to operate as a swimming pool into the future. This is particularly true as the building is not sited in the main lido complex. Additionally there is no suggestion of ceasing to preserve the historic engineering within the plant room itself.

The whole site is of great heritage importance to the town and would be all under threat if the lido was unable to continue operating.

The lido is a great amenity for both visitors to the town and many local residents. Although its key function is a swimming pool, many other community activities take place on its premises. It promotes social and mental well-being.

1 Lancaster Court Well Place Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL50 2PJ

Comments: 12th April 2023

The Lido is a beautiful community resource and it is essential it be permitted to invest in sustaining its future. The planned solar panels seem a reasonable and sensible option and I believe should be approved.

Orchard House Withington Cheltenham GL54 4DA

Comments: 12th April 2023

I fully support this application the LIDO is something Cheletenham should be proud of . My children and family have enjoyed it over the years and now we enjoy visiting with our grandchildren. It is a wonderful facility and come rain or shine a pleasure to visit. if the solar panels will help with bills and keep the water warm that is an added bonus. Helping with the costs of keeping the Lido open for future generations to enjoy.

Brook House Moorend Road Charlton Kings Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL53 9BW

Comments: 13th April 2023

The Lido is an extraordinary Cheltenham public amenity benefitting the health and well being of thousands of people in this borough. Its future, with solar panels, must be a high priority for the Council of this town and the surrounding area - passing this application would 'tick the boxes' of addressing

- 1. local public health and wellbeing,
- 2. a conversion to environmentally sensitive energy
- 3. a unique Cheltenham resource

3 Station Close Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL53 0AB

Comments: 12th April 2023

I fully support this application to install solar panels. The lido is a very special place, available to use by all of the community in Cheltenham and beyond. It needs to thrive and its efforts to become sustainable should be welcomed.

1 Naunton Park Close Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL53 7DL

Comments: 16th April 2023

I am in full support of this application, in fact I don't think it goes far enough - in future I suggest also installing solar panels on the cafe building too, which has a large, south facing roof.

I appreciate that these buildings are listed, and solar panels are a bit unsightly, but if it is a choice between the panels or the lido closing, then we must have the panels.

If the lido was forced to close, then how long would the buildings last anyway? It is better we do everything we can to keep the lido open and fully functioning for its original purpose, as this is the only way to ensure it is properly maintained to its listing standard.

Brook House Moorend Road Charlton Kings Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL53 9BW

Comments: 16th April 2023

Great idea. I fully support

Sunnyfield House Sunnyfield Lane Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL51 6JE

Comments: 21st April 2023

Renewable and sustainable energy is the future for us all but when used in a wonderful local amenity like the Lido it is a win-win situation. My family and I are regular users of the Lido - one of Cheltenham's most important assets which must be given every support to continue providing for the town. This application has my full support.

Luxor Villa 24 Princes Street Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL52 6BE

Comments: 26th April 2023

I fully support this application. This is an excellent idea to make a much loved public resource for Cheltenham more sustainable

Flat 6 33 St Stephens Road Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL51 3AB

Comments: 12th April 2023

I fully support this application. Sandford Lido is an amenity Cheltenham should be proud of - I regularly use the facilities and agree wholeheartedly that the solar panels should be fitted. Good for the planet, saves energy and allows the lido to stay open.

7 Princes Road Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL50 2TX

Comments: 13th April 2023

I am a local resident and Lido user and I am in full support of the proposed solar panels. The Lido is a fantastic community resource and it would be such a shame to lose it due to rising energy costs. It provides great benefit for physical, mental and social wellbeing of the community.

34 Park Street Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL50 3NG

Comments: 4th April 2023

This will ensure the sustainability of a much loved Cheltenham spot whilst reducing the environmental impact.

The Lido is a historic destination which allows people to exercise and enjoy the good outdoors!

Places like this should be supported and their best interests supported too!

6 Oxford Street Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL52 6DT

Comments: 17th April 2023

I fully support this application. The lido is a key asset to the local community and the town's economy, and the council should do everything possible to safeguard its future. Maintaining it as a working lido is the best way to ensure that the heritage site is well cared for. Installing solar panels will enable the lido to become more financially and environmentally sustainable. I would query if there are further opportunities - utilising equally unobtrusive locations around the site - for increased use of solar panels.

36 Windsor Street Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL52 2DE

Comments: 12th April 2023

This is a no-brainer! Of course solar panels are appropriate at the Lido. It will help to sustain the Lido and make it more viable to run. The benefit will spread from the Lido to the environment in general by using renewable energy. I know from personal experience the value of solar panels.

7 Station Close Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL53 0AB

Comments: 12th April 2023

Seems like a great idea and existing roofs look perfect for the panels, though don't know their orientation. I've previously said to the Lido that solar is a good idea and referred to Cirencester and Bristol lido panels. Recall/think that Cirencester had financial support from the council and would want Cheltenham to do likewise here

Slades Farm Bushcombe Lane Cheltenham GL52 3PN

Comments: 12th April 2023

NONE GIVEN

Farriers End 114A Cirencester Road Charlton Kings Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL53 8DG

Comments: 13th April 2023

Sandford Parks Lido is extremely important and unique in the local community - for accessible exercise, health and wellbeing activities. It is a real tourist asset for the town too.

As well as swimming hours, it provides lifeguard training for many young people, volunteer opportunities, swimming lessons and in the summer, a real holiday environment for many families who struggle to afford the cost to go elsewhere. I know the Lido has tried so many creative ways to keep open and provide access throughout the last few difficult years e.g. extending the season with cold water swimming.

Now, I think the team should be supported in their latest initiative to help save costs and so continue to keep the Lido open. Generating renewable energy with the panels (on one of the most unobtrusive parts of the site) seems like an excellent option to help with energy costs. As well as cost saving, it adds even more to the attraction of the site as a positive asset for Cheltenham.

I support the application and hope the project will inspire other public buildings to do similarly.

8 Winstonian Road Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL52 2JE

Comments: 28th April 2023

I wholly support this application. It's imperative if the lido is to continue to serve the local community and deliver its goals to support people's health, exercise and well-being as well as a heritage destination for Cheltenham.

12 Duke Street Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL52 6BP

Comments: 4th April 2023

The Lido is part of the fabric of Cheltenham and must be allowed to continue. This is a sustainable solution which makes perfect sense and maintains the historic nature of the buildings

3 Orrisdale Terrace Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL53 7HZ

Comments: 4th April 2023

I strongly support this application. It will support the fight against climate change (I believe the council itself has declared a 'climate emergency') and protect the future of one of Cheltenham's greatest assets with all the benefits to the community that result. The Lido needs lots of solar panels to make a difference and this is an important start. It is not valid to say 'they could be placed elsewhere' because solar panels will be needed in other places as well as the plant room roof. Finally the Lido are not proposing to put solar panels on the roof of one of the buildings in one of their iconic views - the plant room is out of the way

33 Duke St Cheltenham GL52 6BS

Comments: 12th April 2023

100% support!

Graftons Farm Coombe Green Malvern WR13 6AD

Comments: 13th April 2023

It is essential that approval is given to the application for solar panels to enable this wonderful lido to stay open. The way forward for all of us is renewable energy so this is exactly the right thing to be doing at this time, it will not only save them a lot of money, but will help to achieve their aims regarding green energy.

2 Halland Road Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL53 0DJ

Comments: 12th April 2023

As a season ticket holder and local resident I strongly support this application. This proposal will help the lido to become economically and environmentally more sustainable. Implementing projects like this on public buildings sets an important example and will hopefully encourage more people to consider what personal actions they can take to avoid climate change. I don't believe that the solar panels will have any significant

detrimental impact on the appearance of the lido and hope that this application will be approved.

33 Hales Road Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL52 6SL

Comments: 15th April 2023

Cheltenham's Lido is a great amenity for the town. I've swum there regularly for over 20 years. Outdoor exercise facilities are just as vital in the living-with-Covid era as they were in the 1930s, and need to be preserved. Maximising renewable energy at the site should be a no-brainer and I can see no rational reason for anyone to object to these plans. The solar array could usefully be bigger and make use of more roof space.

3 Meredith Cottages Gloucester GL4 6PS

Comments: 4th April 2023

I support the proposed installation of solar panels at the Lido in order to provide a more environmentally friendly and sustainable future and help preserve one of Britain's most iconic and unique sites.

21 Ravensgate Road Charlton Kings Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL53 8NR

Comments: 14th April 2023

Dear Ms Gillett.

This is an absolute no brainer. Team Lido have gone to great lengths to find the most appropriate solution to the challenge of sustaining a community resource in the face of rising fuel costs.

The visual impact of the solar panels is a positive addition to buildings irrespective of whether they are listed or not. In this case the team have presented a sensitive solution that goes above and beyond.

The installation of the panels must be agreed based on the positive visual impact, postive environmental considerations and in support of a community asset that delivers on multiple levels.

The Lido is a central resource to Cheltenham, I wholeheartedly support this application.

4 Orrisdale Terrace Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL53 7HZ

Comments: 3rd April 2023

I fully support the installation of the solar panels.

Abbotsford 24 Old Bath Road Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL53 7QD

Comments: 12th April 2023

Fully supportive of the initiative to protect the future of the Lido and in parallel save energy costs in common with the CBC environmental plan and other initiatives.

Carfrae
Battledown Approach
Cheltenham
Gloucestershire
GL52 6RA

Comments: 20th April 2023

The Lido is an amazing facility and a credit to the town. The forward thinking approach to use green technology to aid with the heating of the pool should be supported and embraced as a blueprint for other facilities in the town.

Prestbury Corner 62 High Street Prestbury Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL52 3AZ

Comments: 13th April 2023

1000% support this. The lido has been a literal lifesaver for many -- and even more so during lockdown. I looked forward in those dark days to having a dip in the lido, even during the winter months.

What is important is that we keep the lido open and viable for many years to come. I am actually more surprised how many more panels there could be! I totally get the "period building" but what good is it if the lido closes and the building then falls into disrepair?

Yes yes yes!

3 Haslette Way Up Hatherley Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL51 3RQ

Comments: 12th April 2023

The Lido is an important feature of Cheltenham and we should support its effort to be more environmentally friendly, as well as reducing escalating costs to ensure future economic viability.

1 Silverwood Way Up Hatherley Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL51 3TW

Comments: 30th April 2023

I fully support the installation of solar panels for use by Sandford Park Lido

It is essential to helping the environment and reducing costs for the lido so that we can continue to enjoy this great facility in Cheltenham

31 Folly Lane Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL50 4BZ

Comments: 13th April 2023

I am happy to support the installation of solar panels at Sandford Parks Lido. The installation of solar panels will have a positive impact on the environment, as it will reduce the carbon footprint of the Lido by producing clean energy. Additionally, the use of solar panels will also lead to a reduction in energy costs, which will be beneficial in the long run.

By implementing sustainable energy practices, Sandford Parks Lido is setting an excellent example for other public facilities and institutions to follow. I believe that this decision will encourage others to consider alternative energy sources, such as solar power, which will ultimately help to reduce our carbon emissions and contribute to a more sustainable future.

Overall, I commend Sandford Parks Lido for taking this initiative, and I hope that other organizations will follow their lead in implementing sustainable energy practices

83 Crown Drive Bishops Cleeve Cheltenham GL52 8TA

Comments: 24th April 2023

Although there will be a visual effect the location of the solar panels mounted on the south slope plant room roof will have minimal impact on the overall aesthetic of the Lido. The installation is crucial for the long term viability of this invaluable amenity which is treasured by all those who use it and the wider community. Solar heating is the only option to contain ever increasing energy costs and I whole heartedly support the application.

Merrivale 27 St Lukes Road Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL53 7JF

Comments: 3rd April 2023

NONE GIVEN

19 Jersey Avenue Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL52 2SZ

Comments: 12th April 2023

I fully support the application of Solar Panels for the Lido swimming pool. It is a forward thinking idea, which will help the Lido reducing their energy cost, but also contributes towards the UK target of being carbon neutral 2050. We should have more initiatives in our town. Solar panels do not distract greatly from the character of a building and can be sympathetic to any design.

Monks Meadow Park Lane Prestbury Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL52 3BN

Comments: 13th April 2023

I fully support this proposal. The Lido is a great asset to the town and as a regular swimmer through summer and winter, I have enjoyed sharing the facility with a wide range of people, young and old, fit and not so fit. It makes people healthy and happy, something our political leaders say they are striving to achieve for us. Solar panels will be a great help in keeping running costs and entry costs down, environmentally friendly as well. Please make this happen.

20 College Road Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL53 7HX

Comments: 13th April 2023

Solar panels at the lido seems like an excellent idea to me. The Lido is a local treasure and for it to be able to run more sustainably to help ensure its future viability seems vital. I do hope these plans can go ahead.

Flat 10 115 The Park Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL50 2RW

Comments: 10th April 2023

I support this application. We should do all we can to support lidos and help the environment. A derelict site will not help this heritage asset.