

APPLICATION FOR LOCAL GREEN SPACE



SPRINGBANK NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM



REVISION HISTORY

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Top – Looking east towards Springbank over the Whitehall Farm

Bottom – Looking west from Henley Road

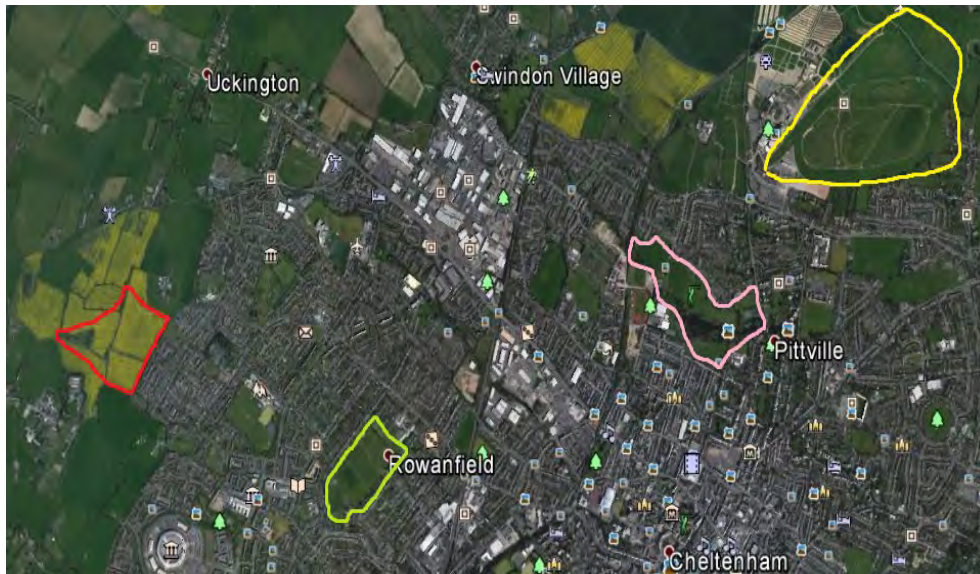
APPLICATION FOR LOCAL GREEN SPACE (LGS) DESIGNATION

1	General Information	Tick if relevant evidence provided
1.1	Name and address of site <i>Some sites have several names and all known names should be given</i>	
	Per Land Registry, the site is located on land registered as Land lying to the south of Old Gloucester Road, Cheltenham, and is generally the site of the former Whitehall Farm and immediate area	
1.2	Site location plan <i>The plan can be at any scale, but must show the location and boundaries of the site. Please indicate the scale.</i>	
	<p>The site is within the strategic allocation proposed in the Gloucester, Cheltenham, Tewkesbury Joint Core Strategy (JCS) identified as West Cheltenham.</p> 	✓
1.3	Organisation or individual proposing site for designation <i>This will normally be a Town or Parish Council or a recognised community group</i>	
	Springbank Neighbourhood Forum (SNF),	
1.4	Ownership of site if known <i>Information on land ownership can be obtained from the Land Registry. Some land parcels are not registered however local people may know the owner.</i>	
	<p>The land is registered to Midlands Land Portfolio Limited, (Reg no 7559692) a subsidiary of Severn Trent PLC – see Appendix 2</p>  <p>RegisterGR362823.p df</p>	✓
1.5	Is the owner of the site aware of the potential designation? Do they support the designation? (Sites may be designated as Local Green Spaces, even if there are objections from the site owners)	

	LGS proposals have been discussed with land owner and developers representatives Hunter Page at the public consultation 16/6/17, and land owner above and Hunter Page were formally notified by post of the LGS application 4/7/17.	
1.6	Photographs of site	
	<i>See Appendix 1</i>	
1.7	Community served by the potential Local Green Space <i>i.e. does the site serve the whole village/town or a particular geographic area or group of people?</i>	
	<p>The site serves the existing Springbank and Cavendish Park urban areas, located immediately west of the residential boundaries. Per National Planning Policy Framework and Natural England guidance, natural green spaces should be within easy walking distance of the local community:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Within 300 metres, the immediate catchment area of Springbank and Cavendish park covers approx. 325 households, estimated 850 people • Within 2km the catchment covers the whole of Springbank, Hester's Way, St Marks and Benhall & The Reddings, essentially being bordered by the Gloucester-Birmingham main railway line and the A4019 to the east and north respectively, population approx. 25,000. <p>It is also worth noting that the benefits of the Local Green Space will equally apply to the village of Hayden within Tewkesbury Borough Council authority, and as a central location within the proposed strategic development it would serve as a prime social space aiding the beneficial integration of the existing communities and residents of the new housing and employment areas adjacent to the site.</p>	
2	Planning History	
2.1	Is there currently a planning application for this site? If permitted/allocated, could part of the overall site still be used as a Green Open Space? <i>Further Information – Cheltenham Borough Council – planning applications team</i>	
	NO	
2.2	Is the site allocated for development in the existing Development Plan, emerging Joint Core Strategy, Cheltenham Plan or a Neighbourhood Plan? If allocated, could part of the overall site still be used as a Green Open Space? <i>For further Information – Cheltenham Borough Council – planning policy team.</i>	
	The site is within the strategic allocation proposed in the Gloucester, Cheltenham, Tewkesbury Joint Core Strategy (JCS) identified as West Cheltenham, and in the Cheltenham Local Plan	
3	Size, scale and “local nature” of proposed Local Green Space	
3.1	Area of proposed site <i>It is unlikely that a site of over 20ha (50 acres) would be considered suitable for designation.</i>	
	The proposed site is approximately 20 hectares, 15 hectares within the Cheltenham borough boundary, with an additional 5 hectares within Tewkesbury borough council, providing a green corridor connecting Hayden and Springbank and supporting the movement of people between Springbank and Hayden and covering of key wildlife areas.	
3.2	Is the site an “extensive tract of land”? <i>(Extensive tracts of land cannot be designated as Local Green Space) e.g. how large is it in comparison to other fields; groups of fields; areas of land in the vicinity etc.? Does the site “feel” extensive or more local in scale?</i>	
	NO, for context comparable green areas within the borough are: - King George V playing field is approximately 10 hectares	✓

- Pittville Park is approximately 50 hectares
- Cheltenham Racecourse, over 111 hectares

Therefore less than half the size of Cheltenham's largest urban managed recreational area and considerably less than both the Racecourse, and the 192 hectares total of Phases 1 and 2 West Cheltenham strategic allocation.



3.3 Is the proposed site "local in character"?

e.g. does the site feel as though it is part of the local area? And why? How does it connect physically, visually and socially to the local area? What is your evidence?

Yes, since the creation of the original Springbank development, the juxtaposition of the open farmland to the west, with pedestrian access through informal entry points, together with the existing open spaces, created a pleasant semi-rural, almost village like feel to the immediate area. Springbank is now essentially defined as being an open low density residential area, and the adjacent farmland is essential to the character of Springbank.

4 Need for Local Green Space

4.1 Is there a need for a local green space in this location?

e.g. is there a shortage of accessible greenspace in the area? Is there a village needs survey or parish plan that provides evidence of that need.

Further information – Natural England ([Accessible Natural Greenspace Standard](#))

Springbank is currently served by 4 main green areas, the open space adjacent to Henley Road, the small park within the Triscombe Way development (itself having been built on a previous open space of the Midlands Electricity Board Social Club playing field), an open area adjacent to George Readings Way (the estate itself having been built on a previous playing field, locally known as Westfields) and the more substantial Springfield Park, containing 2 sports pitches and children's adventure area, and within Fiddler's Green there is another open park area.

As shown on the map below are the major green spaces within Springbank, the majority being school or other party sports pitches, or contain sports pitches, the provision of informal green space is considerably poor, further aggravated by the fact that development has already taken place on 2 former playing fields within the area indicates there is now less open space within Springbank than there was 10 years ago.

None of these areas avail themselves to nature in any substantive way, being managed areas, with mown grass, few mature trees or original hedgerows.



The erosion of previous green spaces and the proposed development within the JCS strategic allocation, adding a further 1100 households, approx. 2500 people within 500m, make the need to provision substantial Local Green Space a priority to maintain the existing semi-rural character of Springbank but also creating a similar feel to any new development promoting the integration of old and new areas and creating community cohesion.

5	Evidence to show that “the green space is in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves” <i>Please indicate what evidence you have provided against each point.</i>	
5.1	How far is the site from the community it serves? Is the site within 2km of the local community? <i>Possible evidence – a map to show that distance</i>	
	The site is immediately adjacent to Henley Road and the wider Springbank community and would also serve the potential communities that would be established and grow in the vicinity.	
5.2	Are there any barriers to the local community accessing the site from their homes? <i>e.g. railway line; main road</i> <i>Possible evidence – a map to show any potential barriers and how those can be overcome.</i>	
	No -there are numerous informal entrances to the green space from Springbank, and once access to the Cheltenham Circular Path is achieved, several footpaths for egress to the north, south and west. An application has been made through Gloucestershire County Council to recognise the various paths used by residents over the past 25 years plus to formalise access to the Cheltenham Circular Path and beyond.	
6	Evidence to show that the green area is “demonstrably special to a local community” <i>Please indicate what evidence you have provided against each point.</i>	

6.1	Evidence of support from Parish or Town Council <i>e.g. letter of support; Council minutes</i>																	
	SNF has engaged neighbouring community groups, Boddington Parish Council, Hester's Way Partnership and West Cheltenham Forum, seeking their support, which will be provided as and when received.																	
6.2	Evidence of support from other local community groups or individuals. <i>e.g. letters of support; petitions; surveys etc.</i>																	
	<p>Responses from a survey of 40 local residents was conducted during March/April 2017, against the questions listed below, to assist in the understanding of how the area is viewed and utilised by local residents. The % responses are shown below, and residents are still free to respond and comment, and continue to do so, on an informal basis, which would be included in any application revision.</p> <p>Many respondents appended comments to the questionnaire as attached in Appendix 3, however, some notable comments are also repeated below:-</p> <table><tr><td>The green fields and hedgerows are beautiful, particularly against the backdrop of the Malvern hills.</td><td>91%</td></tr><tr><td>The fields are important for dog walking, running, walking, children's play and other leisure activities that contribute to the health, wellbeing and quality of life of the local residents.</td><td>98%</td></tr><tr><td>The green fields contribute to the open spacious feel of Springbank and are essential to maintain the character of the neighbourhood</td><td>98%</td></tr><tr><td>The fields provide an important space for tranquillity, both for those walking within them and all the bordering houses.</td><td>98%</td></tr><tr><td>The fields with their hedgerows and streams provide a haven for a great variety of insects, bird species, and even mammals such as roe deer, giving an important chance for residents to interact with natural wildlife.</td><td>98%</td></tr><tr><td>The fields already have an extensive conservation area, with ridge and furrow fields showing that the area has been farmed since the middle ages.</td><td>89%</td></tr><tr><td>In general, the fields make it a much more attractive place to live, work, play and visit.</td><td>95%</td></tr><tr><td>The dark sky in the adjacent green fields contributes to the benefit of wildlife and views of the stars.</td><td>89%</td></tr></table> <p><u>Residents Comments</u></p> <p>"I have lived in Henley Road for over 40 years, my daughter was lucky enough to grow up in an area she could climb trees, play in the fields and watch cows being born. The Springbank estate is characterised by the beautiful wildlife. Each year bats fly though our garden, heading towards the fields; they are protected species and therefore should be kept safe (especially in a greenbelt area). There are regular sightings of foxes, deer, wild birds and hedgehogs. Hedgehogs are in rapid decline and everything possible should be done to protect them and allowed to thrive. Our wildlife should be protected and allowed to thrive so it can be enjoyed by future generations. Humans need to look after and encourage wildlife, not destroy it by building unnecessary office blocks and homes in what is a protected area. The greenbelt should remain protected, especially by residential areas, where it can be enjoyed by all. What is the reasoning for just protecting it by the motorway? Humans need educating so that they respect wildlife. After all, the wildlife was here first!"</p> <p>"We must protect the area for future generations"</p> <p>"The fields are part of the 'lungs' of Cheltenham providing sweet relief from the poor air quality around us."</p>	The green fields and hedgerows are beautiful, particularly against the backdrop of the Malvern hills.	91%	The fields are important for dog walking, running, walking, children's play and other leisure activities that contribute to the health, wellbeing and quality of life of the local residents.	98%	The green fields contribute to the open spacious feel of Springbank and are essential to maintain the character of the neighbourhood	98%	The fields provide an important space for tranquillity, both for those walking within them and all the bordering houses.	98%	The fields with their hedgerows and streams provide a haven for a great variety of insects, bird species, and even mammals such as roe deer, giving an important chance for residents to interact with natural wildlife.	98%	The fields already have an extensive conservation area, with ridge and furrow fields showing that the area has been farmed since the middle ages.	89%	In general, the fields make it a much more attractive place to live, work, play and visit.	95%	The dark sky in the adjacent green fields contributes to the benefit of wildlife and views of the stars.	89%	
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	<p>"We've seen a variety of species this spring, such as deer, woodpeckers, badgers, foxes, buzzards, their nests and other birds of prey, there are ancient hedgerows and oak trees. This is valuable recreation for our family for over 20 years, and access to the House in the Tree by foot throughout the summer and autumn months."</p> <p>In addition local community group, the West Cheltenham Greenbelt Group, has lodged a petition with Cheltenham Borough Council objecting to development within the area which on closure had over 1000 signatures. Many signatories also appended comments to the petition expressing their use and enjoyment of the site and concerns regarding the potential loss, this petition can be viewed at https://www.change.org/p/hm-planning-inspector-ms-elizabeth-ord-save-cheltenham-s-greenbelt.</p>	
6.3	<p>Evidence of support from community leaders e.g. letters of support from Ward Members; County Councillors; MP etc. Further information on contact details – Cheltenham Borough Council, Gloucestershire County Council, House of Commons</p>	
	<p>Due to the delays in the accreditation of the SNF, community leader engagement has only recently been initiated, the SNF has invited Alex Chalk, MP for Cheltenham; Martin Horwood, Liberal Democrat Representative for Cheltenham, seeking their support, which will be provided as and when received.</p> <p>Springbank ward councillors Peter Jeffries and Suzanne have already pledged their support:-</p> <p><i>We believe that local green space is intrinsically linked to a better quality of life for communities, and whilst the west of Cheltenham currently enjoys the greenbelt which enhances the lives of residents of Springbank, should the JCS allocation be agreed then this LGS will be paramount for the quality of life to not only the existing residents, but also for those residents in any new development, commercial or residential.</i></p> <p><i>The LGS application being prepared is probably the most critical issue to face our community, since we have had the honour of representing Springbank; and one that will have a lasting impact for many generations. We are therefore pleased that we can support you, both on this and the developing neighbourhood plan that the forum will be progressing.</i></p> <p>See Appendix 4 for full documentation</p>	
6.4	<p>Evidence of support from other groups e.g. letters of support from organisations such as Campaign to Protect Rural England; local amenity societies; local schools etc.</p>	
	<p>Due to the delays in the accreditation of the SNF, community interest group engagement has only recently been initiated, SNF has invited CPRE Gloucestershire Chair, Professor Patricia Broadfoot CBE for their perspective and West Cheltenham Forum and Hester's Way Partnership seeking their support, which will be provided as and when received.</p>	
7	<p>Evidence to show that the green area "holds a particular local significance, for example because of its <u>beauty</u>," (if applicable) Please indicate what evidence you have provided against each point.</p>	
7.1	<p>Is this criteria relevant to this site ?</p>	
	<p>YES / NO</p>	
7.2	<p>Describe why the community feels that the site has a particular local significance for its beauty.</p>	
	<p>As working arable farmland, spread across 4 distinct fields of the former Whitehall Farm with mature trees, including an English Walnut, and long standing hedgerows known to predate 1948 (1st aerial survey),</p>	✓



residents have the joy of watching the seasons unfold across the pasture each year with crops ranging from barley, oil seed rape, corn on the cob etc., and have expressed how beautiful it is to observe ploughing, tilling, planting, crop management, harvesting, and baling at such close proximity, something that is possibly unique within the Cheltenham area.





The residents are also able to cross the site to the village of Hayden, to sample the hospitality of the local public house, the House in The Tree,



a 500 hundred year old establishment, a walk that allows them to observe at close proximity the cycle of nature, from birds eating berries, birds of prey seeking rabbits or mice, and the occasional deer, the natural rural beauty of the site is something the residents consider they are very lucky to have and should if possible be shared with the proposed growing community if that can be achieved without affecting nature.






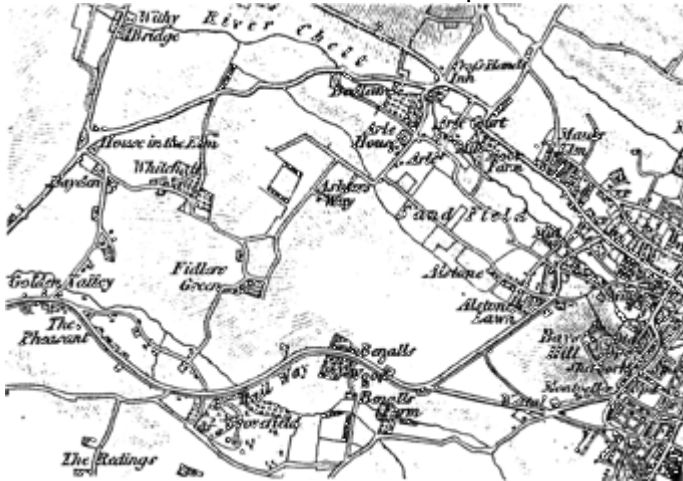
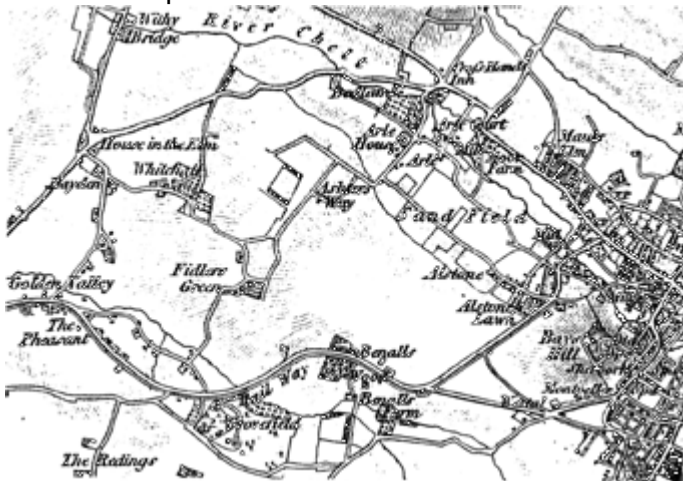
The site has the benefit of the eastern edge being over 50m above sea level, falling away towards the west to be around 25m above sea level. This allows views to the West across the falling escarpment taking in Hayden, Staverton and across the Severn vale to the Malverns, and on a good day the view to the Black Mountains is wonderful, couple that to a sunset, and it can be simply breath-taking. Gloucester landmarks can be glimpsed to the South, and the imposing sight of Cleeve Cloud to the North.




It would be considered good planning that any development would take the topography into consideration and would place development on the lower reaches of the proposed strategic development area and control building heights so as to maintain the uninterrupted views to the west from the top of the escarpment at the eastern edge of the site.

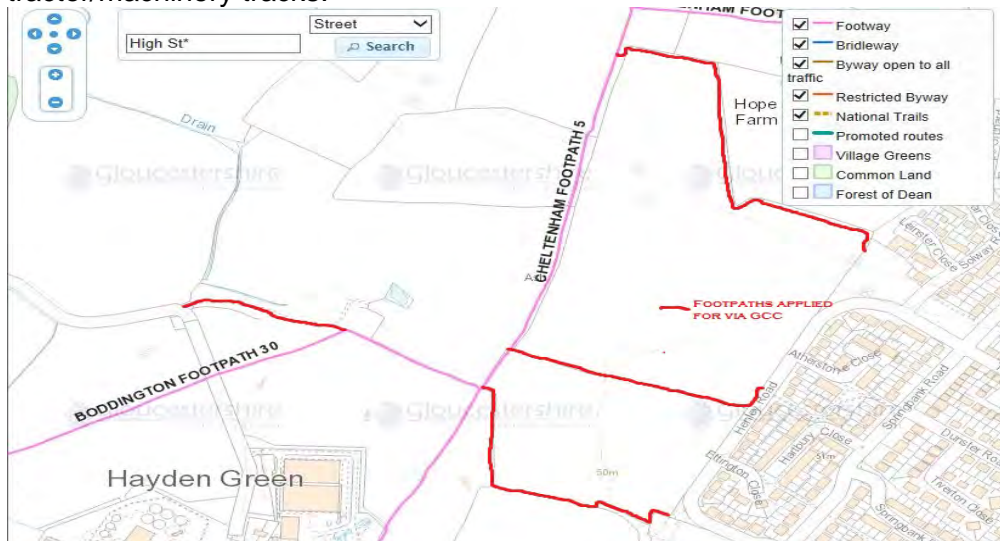
In addition, whilst it would be wonderful for the site to remain as a working farm, this may be impractical, but the creation of an open pasture/wild flower meadow would help maintain a link to its agricultural past and would further support the existing animal, bird and insect life on the site.

7.3	<p>Site visibility <i>e.g. is it easy to see the site from a public place? Are there long-distance views of the site? Are there views of the site from any key locations?</i></p>	
	<p>The site is visible from the Malverns; Coppers, Chosen, Crickley and Cleeve Hills, the M5 and Churchdown Church.</p> <p>The site is easy to see from Henley Road as immediately adjacent, and is bisected by the Cheltenham Circular Path</p>  <p>View from Henley Road</p> <p>An application has been made through Gloucestershire County Council to recognise the various paths used by residents over the past 25 years plus allowing formal access the Cheltenham Circular Path and beyond.</p>	
7.4	<p>Is the site covered by any landscape or similar designations? <i>e.g. Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty; Conservation Area; Special Landscape Area</i> <i>Further information – Cheltenham Borough Council; Natural England;</i></p>	
	<p>The site was designated Green belt in 1968 as part of the arrangement for the building of the Springbank estate to prevent further urban sprawl into the countryside.</p>	
7.5	<p>Is the site (or the type of site) specifically mentioned in any relevant landscape character assessments or similar documents? <i>e.g. Cotswolds AONB landscape character assessment. Further information – Cheltenham Borough Council; Natural England; Cotswolds Conservation Board</i></p>	
	<p>The site is classified as Greenbelt and was recently reviewed as part of the JCS assessment, by consultants AMEC, against the criteria set for Greenbelt and reported the area to the West of Cheltenham is be:-</p> <p>Significant Contribution - Critical to preventing the sprawl of Cheltenham Significant Contribution – Separating Cheltenham form Churchdown/ Innsworth Significant Contribution - Safeguarding the countryside from encroachment Contribution – Provides a countryside setting for Cheltenham</p> <p>In Conclusion – This land forms a fundamental part of the definition of the western edge of Cheltenham. It is characterised by large fields, pasture to the south, arable to the north, with expansive views. It plays a key role in the separation of Cheltenham and Gloucester.</p>	

7.6	Does the site contribute to the setting of a historic building or other special feature?	
	<p>Whilst buildings no longer exist on the site, the site of Whitehall Farm is still visible, a farm which dates from before 1828 per the attached map.</p> 	✓
7.7	Is the site highlighted in literature or art? <i>e.g. is the site mentioned in a well-known poem or shown in a famous painting?</i>	
	Unknown	
8	<p>Evidence to show that the green area “holds a particular local significance for example because of its <u>historic significance</u>” (if applicable) <i>Please indicate what evidence you have provided against each point.</i></p>	
8.1	Is this criteria relevant to this site ?	
	YES / NO	
8.2	<p>Are there any historic buildings or remains on the site? <i>e.g. listed buildings; scheduled ancient monuments ; registered parks and gardens; war memorials; other historic remains or structures.</i> <i>Further information – Cheltenham Borough Council; English Heritage; Gloucestershire Historic Environment Record; Gloucestershire Archives; local history society;</i></p>	
	<p>The site of Whitehall Farm is still visible, a farm which dates from at least 1828 per the attached map.</p> 	✓
8.3	<p>Are there any important historic landscape features on the site? <i>e.g. old hedgerows; ancient trees; historic ponds or historic garden features</i> <i>Further information – Cheltenham Borough Council; English Heritage; Gloucestershire Historic Environment Record; local history society</i></p>	
	<p>A study of old maps of the site confirms that the remaining hedgerows lines were present as far back as 1884, potentially making the hedgerows themselves at least 133 years old</p>	✓

		
8.4	Did the site play an important role in the historic development of the village or town? <i>e.g. the old site of the town railway station; the old garden for the manor house etc.</i>	
	The site is in part host to a superb piece of Victorian engineering that is not visible to the eye, in the main sewer for western side of Cheltenham, carrying the effluent to Hayden Works. The creation of safe water and effluent disposal played an important part in the growth of Cheltenham as a healthy Spa town.	
8.5	Did any important historic events take place on the site?	
	Not known at this time	
8.6	Do any historic rituals take place on the site? <i>e.g. well-dressing; maypole dancing etc.</i>	
	Not known at this time	
9	Evidence to show that the green area “holds a particular local significance, for example because of its <u>recreational value</u> (including as a playing field)”, (if applicable) <i>Please indicate what evidence you have provided against each point.</i>	
9.1	Is this criteria relevant to this site ?	
	YES / NO	
9.2	Is the site used for playing sport? <i>If so what sport? How long has it been used for sports provision? Is this sports provision free or is a club membership required?</i> <i>Further information – Sport England</i>	
	The site does not have any formal provision for playing sport	
9.3	Are the public able to physically access the site? <i>e.g. are there any public rights of way across the site? Or adjacent to the site? Has access been allowed on a discretionary basis? Is there public access to the whole site or only part? Is there good disabled access to the site? (A site can still be designated even if there is no public access.)</i> <i>Further information – Gloucestershire County Council</i>	
	There is extensive public access to the site. There is a network of footpaths across the whole area, with the formal ones marked on the map below,	✓

showing the Cheltenham Circular Path as the primary routes for north/south access, and footpaths to Hayden to the west. An application has been made to Gloucestershire County Council to recognise the informal footpaths used by the local residents entering from Henley Road that have been in use for at least 25 years as public rights of way. In addition to the official rights of way depending on the crop and the weather there is unhindered physical access around and across all of the fields, the public in general respecting the crop and using either the field periphery or following the tractor/machinery tracks.



At present due to the nature of the arable farming, disabled (wheelchair) access is impractical.

9.4 Is the site used by the local community for informal recreation? And since when?
e.g. dog walking; sledging; ball games etc

Yes, the site prior to the construction of the Springbank estate around 1968 bordered the Hester's Way estate, and whilst a working farm was still used for recreation and access to Hayden by the residents, this has continued since Springbank was created, aided by the designation as Greenbelt, and the site is used extensively for:-

- Walking the dog
- Walking/Rambling/Wandering
- Jogging
- Fruit Picking
- Bird Watching
- Star Gazing
- Nature and Scenic Photography
- Children playing
- Picnicking

The occasional horse rider has been observed, and many Springbank residents use the site to access Hayden/Withybridge to visit the local public house, The House in The Tree

10 Evidence to show that the green area "holds a particular local significance, for example because of its tranquillity" (if applicable)
Please indicate what evidence you have provided against each point.

10.1 Is this criteria relevant to this site ?

YES / NO

10.2 Do you consider the site to be tranquil?
e.g. are there any roads or busy areas close by?

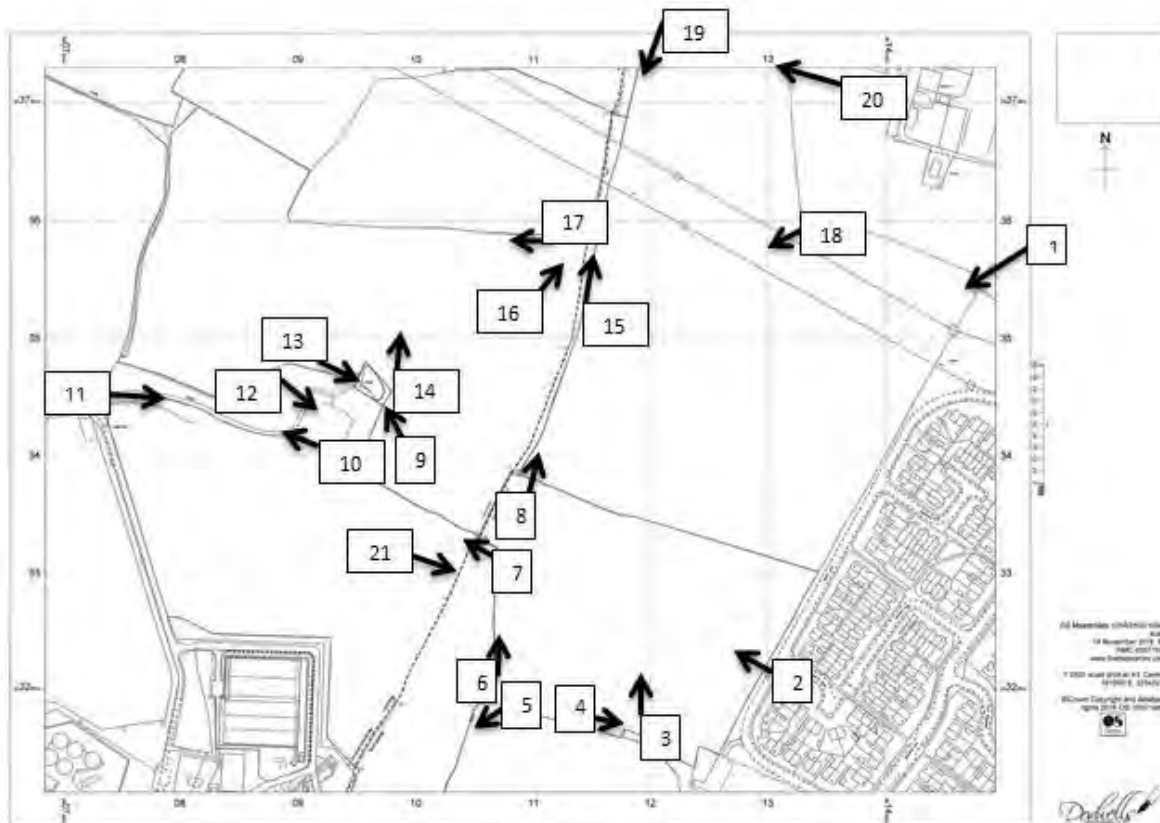
The site is a haven of tranquillity, despite only having walked a mere 200 metres from Henley Road, as the site falls away down the escarpment, the housing of Springbank is no longer visible, and you are presented with sweeping views across the Severn vale to

	the Malvern Hills (the views do include the M5 for which there is some distant background noise, the volume of which is far less than the A417 at Crickley Hill, which is an AONB), and the sounds and sights of nature are ever present as they are undisturbed by the noise of major roads, you can easily hear birdsong, the rustle of birds and small mammals in the hedgerows, woodpeckers tap-tapping, the whisper of the wind in the trees, insects in the summer, and the sighting of deer.	
10.3	Is the site within a recognised tranquil area? e.g. within the Campaign to Protect Rural England 's tranquillity maps	
	The CPRE Tranquillity map for Gloucestershire shows the site as being more tranquil than the urban areas of Cheltenham and the start of the gradient to more tranquil areas to the west.	
11	Evidence to show that the green area “holds a particular local significance, for example because of the <u>richness of its wildlife</u>”; (if applicable) <i>Please indicate what evidence you have provided against each point.</i>	
11.1	Is this criteria relevant to this site ?	
	YES / NO	
11.2	Is the site formally designated for its wildlife value? e.g. as a site of special scientific interest; a key wildlife site etc. Further information - Natural England ; Gloucestershire Centre for Environmental Records	
	Not at present, but discussions are ongoing with Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust In addition, Biodiversity 2020, a Government strategy for England's wildlife and ecosystems, seeks to reverse the loss of hedgerow based ecosystems, which there are several ancient hedgerow lines across the site.	
11.3	Are any important habitats or species found on the site? e.g. habitats and species listed in the UK priority habitats and species lists or in the Cotswold Water Park or Gloucestershire Biodiversity Action Plans or protected species or on the red/amber lists of birds of conservation concern. Further information - Natural England ; Gloucestershire Centre for Environmental Records ; National Biodiversity Network ; Cotswold Water Park Trust ; RSPB	
	<p>The site as previously stated is crossed by mature hedgerows, and many mature trees, and also has a small orchard and pond from the prior Whitehall Farm, whilst these have been left to their own device since the demolition of the farm in the mid-nineties, they would benefit from some husbandry to further their potential. For the local area itself per Gloucestershire Centre for Environmental Records (GCER) and National Biodiversity Network (NBN) have provided data have listed the following in the area :-</p> <p>Black-headed Gull, Blue Tit, Common Gull, Common Swift, Dunnock Goldcrest, Goldfinch, Great Black-backed Gull, Great Spotted Woodpecker Great Tit, Greenfinch, Herring Gull, Hobby, House Martin, House Sparrow Lesser Black-backed Gull, Linnet, Mistle Thrush, Pied Wagtail, Robin, Skylark Song Thrush, Starling, Stock Dove, Swallow, Swift, Willow Warbler, Wren Yellowhammer</p> <p>Many of which are listed as RED on DEFRA Joint Nature Conservation Committee UK BAP Priority Species</p> <p>In addition, resident observations have included, Blackbird, Buzzard, Chaffinch, Chiff Chaff, Collared Dove, Crow, Green Woodpecker, Heron, Jay, Kestrel, Long Tailed Tit, Magpie, Pheasant, Redwing, Robin, Rook, Sparrowhawk, Waxwing, Wood Pigeon;</p> <p>Pipistrelle Bat, Whiskered Bat</p>	

	<p>Plants include: Arun Lilies, White Dead Nettle, Red Dead Nettle, Celandine, Camomile, Comfrey Cow Parsley, Goose Grass, Groundsel, Dock, Elephants Ear, Vetch Crack Willow, Germander, Speedwell, Shepherds Purse, Ground Ivy, Ground Elder, Whitlow Grass, Hedge Garlic, Coltsfoot, Broadleaf Plantain, Violet Blue Aconite</p> <p>Hawthorn, Blackthorn, Field Maple, Hazel, Bramble, Rise Hip, Blackberry, Ash, Oak, Elder, Crab Apple, Holly, Rowan, Wild Cherry, Willow, Walnut</p> <p>See Appendix 5 for full listing from GCER and NBN</p>	
11.4	<p>What other wildlife of interest has been found on the site? Further information - Natural England; Gloucestershire Centre for Environmental Records; National Biodiversity Network; Cotswold Water Park Trust</p>	
	Roe Deer, Foxes, Dormouse, Field Mouse, Bats, Hedgehog, Mole,	
11.5	<p>Is the site part of a long term study of wildlife by members of the local community? e.g. long-term monitoring of breeding birds.</p>	
	Not at present.	
12	<p>Evidence to show that the green area “holds a particular local significance, for any other reason”; (if applicable) <i>Please indicate what evidence you have provided against each point.</i></p>	
12.1	Is this criteria relevant to this site?	
	YES / NO	
12.2	Are there any other reasons why the site has a particular local significance for the local community?	
	The site has been a corner stone of the well-being of Springbank for many years, with its open views, tranquillity, dog walking and other exercise, it is good for the heart as well as the soul. Its setting between the M5 to the west, with the prevailing weather from the same direction, it acts as the lungs of Cheltenham helping to absorb any pollution, and produce oxygen for the benefit of all in the urban western side of Cheltenham.	

Appendix 1 – Site Pictures and Map for Perspective

The site is presently arable farmland has been producing crops in general for at least 20 years, the map below shows the viewpoint from which the associated pictures were taken from, emphasising the absolute rural feel of the site despite its adjacency to an urban area.



Picture 1



Picture 2



Picture 3



Picture 4



Picture 5



Picture 6



Picture 7



Picture 8



Picture 9



Picture 10



Picture 11



Picture 12



Picture 13



Picture 14



Picture 15



Picture 16



Picture 17



Picture 18



Picture 19



Picture 20



Picture 21



Appendix 2 – Land Registry

Title Number : GR362823

This title is dealt with by Land Registry, Gloucester Office.

The following extract contains information taken from the register of the above title number. A full copy of the register accompanies this document and you should read that in order to be sure that these brief details are complete.

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REGISTER EXTRACT

Title Number	: GR362823
Address of Property	: Land lying to the south of Old Gloucester Road, Cheltenham
Price Stated	: Not Available
Registered Owner(s)	: MIDLANDS LAND PORTFOLIO LIMITED (Co. Regn. No. 7559692) of 2308 Coventry Road, Birmingham B26 3JZ.
Lender(s)	: None

Appendix 3 - Residents Comments

We must protect the area for future generations
Why take a small amount of Greenbelt that gives so much pleasure to a great amount of people, when you have plenty of space of the old Pittville Approach golf course?
We regularly sight deer when we are walking the dog, which she tries to chase of course
We walk these fields daily for exercise, fresh air, dog walking and educating our toddler on wildlife and farming, we purchased our home on Leinster Close primarily for its proximity to this wonderful greenbelt and suitability for outdoors lifestyle. Losing this greenbelt would be a huge disappointment and destroy the beauty of the area.
The views of the Severn Valley are not to be missed, the sunsets are often spectacular. There is no need for transport to see the countryside, and you see many children taking advantage of this.
We have lived in Springbank for 37 years and have often walked along the bridal path and seen the horse riders, every year we have a family of foxes come here – all that will be lost forever.
Nobody should be subjected to 3 storey building going up in front of their house. Cyber parks should not be put near houses they should go on other industrial estates instead of taking green fields away and ruining the character of the neighbourhood and people's well-being. If GCHQ want to expand why did they pull out of the other buildings across town?
We have been so depressed since we heard about the possibility of something so precious being lost. We don't want to live beside another (industrial) estate. At the moment we don't feel as if we are even on an estate with the country and its wildlife in front of us and have never taken the fact we are so privileged for granted.
I have lived in Henley Road for over 40 years, my daughter was lucky enough to grow up in an area she could climb trees, play in the fields and watch cows being born. The Springbank estate is characterised by the beautiful wildlife. Each year bats fly through our garden, heading towards the fields; they are protected species and therefore should be kept safe (especially in a greenbelt area). There are regular sightings of foxes, deer, wild birds and hedgehogs. Hedgehogs are in rapid decline and everything possible should be done to protect them and allowed to thrive. Our wildlife should be protected and allowed to thrive so it can be enjoyed by future generations. Humans need to look after and encourage wildlife, not destroy it by building unnecessary office blocks and homes in what is a protected area. The greenbelt should remain protected, especially by residential areas, where it can be enjoyed by all. What is the reasoning for just protecting it by the motorway? Humans need educating so that they respect wildlife. After all, the wildlife was here first!
I've lived in Henley Road for almost 30 years and the open space was very important to me and my pets. It would be a travesty if this space was taken away from us.
The fields are part of the 'lungs' of Cheltenham providing sweet relief from the poor air quality around us.
Where is the traffic going to go?;- Fiddlers Green is already the GCHQ car park Do we really need industrial units here when there are units lying empty on trading estates nearby HGV's driving through residential streets Traffic congestion is terrible at peak times on our local roads and even worse when the racing is on Get the people who dreamt up this idea to look at the problems we have now at peak times, not sit in offices looking at maps SAVE OUR GREEN SPACES
We moved here 24 years ago from a built up area and couldn't believe the difference. It's like living in the countryside with the advantage of not feeling isolated. We saw bats for the first time ever and we now know there are more than just a couple of stars. To destroy this beauty and such a benefit to life would be a travesty.
If more houses were built it would just clog up the roads more than they already are.
I have lived opposite these fields for over 30 years, and thought have thought about moving more than once, but love the outlook that we have here
I have lived in Henley Road all my life, and live opposite the fields and just cannot imagine it being destroyed and ruined for yet another development. It will completely spoil the beautiful view we

currently have, not to mention demolishing the important habitats for the wildlife that live there. I used the green all the time as a child with lots of happy memories, and now my nieces and nephew are doing the same. It would be a truly sad day if the resident's voices are not heard.
We have lived here since 1966; it is a quiet and friendly area. We do not want it spoiled by more cars etc. using our roads as a racetrack and cut thorough from the Motorway.
Why do the council always do what they want to get a name for themselves, we don't want our greenbelt built on, it's not fair to the well-being of the wildlife and walking dogs, also being able to walk in the fields to get the stress out of every day working. I think it is a shame the lovely outlook will be spoilt.
We bought our house in part because of the access to open space, making us feel we have a rural setting. Our children are 5 and 3, and every weekend we can go walking, blackberry picking, puddle jumping and all sorts of outside activities, none of which we would be able to do if this goes ahead. I absolutely did not choose this house and area to live in the middle of a new estate. Our family are opposed to any development on the site.
We've seen a variety of species this spring, such as deer, woodpeckers, badgers, foxes, buzzards, their nests and other birds of prey, there and ancient hedgerows and oak trees. This is valuable recreation for our family for over 20 years, and access to the House in the Tree by foot throughout the summer and autumn months.
This proposed development would be devastating to the environment and to the well-being of many local residents. It would be very sad to lose the tranquillity and beauty of the land which we have enjoyed and loved since moving to Springbank in 1986.
Once concreted over it will be lost for ever without benefit to the local future generations. It is the last greenbelt on the west of Cheltenham and is worth fighting for.
I use these fields a lot to walk my dog early in the morning and we often see deer. It would be a great loss to destroy their habitat. I also use the fields to walk to the House in The Tree
This is a great place to live, why spoil it?
A friend of mine always takes her dog for a walk in the green fields and sees other people walk their dogs there, without these lovely green fields it wouldn't be such a nice experience. I walk to work most days and walk by all the green fields and always think how lovely it looks; if it was changed to all building I think it would look very depressing I'd think I'd move. And the traffic would be worse, please save the greenbelt.
When my wife and I settled in Cheltenham in 1986 it was the semi-rural environment that made us choose the Springbank area as an idyllic place to live. It was the views across the fields of Hope farm to the Malvern Hills that were the most significant factor in our choice of where to live and we still hold that opinion and would hate to be denied the pleasure by the proposed developmental desecration.
We are concerned that once again it is profit over people's welfare; there are plenty of existing locations on brownfield areas and it would bring additional traffic, drainage issues, and fossil fuel consumption from the properties,
We have views across open fields; the grandchildren love to see the cows and sometimes sheep in the fields when we take them out for a walk in the fresh air, beneficial to all ages. Having little artificial light at night we can also see the stars and the grandchildren learn the constellations and how the earth revolves to give sight of different stars. All education is priceless and should be encouraged.
The trouble with any development on green belt land is you are irreversibly destroying the natural balance of nature and the ecosystem. Once a hedge or tree has been removed (often unnecessarily) it's gone forever. The land we are referring to is an area of outstanding significance to wildlife, and people who use it. We regularly see Roe deer, foxes, squirrels, buzzards, owls, hawks, kestrels, bats, and Jays. I even saw a Red Kite here last summer. We also used to see badgers, but not for a long time now which is another reason why this land MUST be preserved. Also consider the huge varieties of moths and butterflies, field mice and voles that would lose their homes if that land was destroyed. I'm sure with all the empty properties (commercial as well as residential) within the Cheltenham boundary, and there are hundreds of them, if they were converted into viable properties, you (the council) wouldn't need to be thinking of expanding boundaries and building on green belt land. Not to mention the additional revenue it would generate . Also,

there are hundreds of villages around Gloucestershire that could quite easily have 3 or 4 properties built within or on the edge of the villages and it would have no adverse effect on any infrastructure. The money saved would be immense.

I've lived in Cheltenham all my working life and bought our house in 1971 in Springbank Rd when it was still a dead end Rd. I've seen how much Cheltenham has expanded, especially on this southwest side of town, and it worries me immensely. If you keep granting expansions willy-nilly then it will only be a matter of a few years before Gloucester and Cheltenham converge. God forbid that ever happens.

We vote for and elect our councillors because we trust you to represent our views and opinions. We sincerely believe you will fight and get what WE want. We love our "green and pleasant land" but we are all in danger of losing it if you fail us.

I moved here 19 years ago as it safe caring community bordered with view of the hills and countryside. I value my environment for maintenance of my physical and mental well-being, as I meet other members of this wonderful community whilst doing my volunteer dog walking, supporting less able-bodied members of the community in various ways.

If I wanted to live in a sprawling, noisy urban setting, I would have moved to London, not here.

Where is the RSPCA going to be moved to?

This multi-cultural/multi-aged community can be viewed walking, running, and exploring their environment.

You could build the cyber unit underground and the housing estate by the motorway to join up with the other 4500 boxes

Why undo all the regeneration work carried out on Hester's Way to improve their community by creating a sprawling estate with a sewage works at its heart, without the resources of infrastructure to support it? Doesn't anyone read the reports about the failing NHS services, schools and lack of industry? Who will purchase these sub-standard over-priced boxes, if there isn't the infrastructure and work to support it, or is the plan to create a crime-ridden ghetto?

Appendix 4 Nature Data

National Biodiversity Network

Wildlife Survey for West Cheltenham Greenbelt as provided by the National Biodiversity Network (nbnatlas.org)									
Area bounded by the roads listed below:		Local Species recorded:							
Pheasant Ln, Cheltenham GL51, UK									
Fiddler's Green Ln, Cheltenham GL51 0JT, UK		Mammals		Birds				Reptiles	
Henley Rd, Cheltenham GL51 0PD, UK		Hedgehog		Sparrowhawk		Grey Wagtail		Chaffinch	
Hayden Ln, Cheltenham GL51 0SR, UK		Weasel		Longtailed Tit		Yellow Wagtail		Brambling	
Old Gloucester Rd, Hayden, Cheltenham GL51 0SW, UK		Rabbit		Skylark		Great Tit		Moorhen	
Hope Orchard, Cheltenham GL51, UK		Fox		Mallard		House Sparrow		Jay	
Hazledean Rd, Cheltenham GL51 0QF, UK		Brown Rat		Meadow Pipit		Tree Sparrow		Swallow	
Grist Mill Cl, Cheltenham GL51 0PZ, UK		Lesser Horseshoe bat		Common Swift		Grey Partridge		Herring Gull	
and others.		Grey Squirrel		Grey Heron		Coal Tit		Common Gull	
		Roe Deer		Waxwing		Pheasant		Lesser Black Backed Gull	
		Whiskered Bat		Buzzard		Chiffchaff		Linnet	
		Badger		Goldfinch		Magpie		Grasshopper Warbler	
		Water Rat		Greenfinch		Green Woodpecker		Pied/White Wagtail	
				Black Headed Gull		Duncock		Fieldfare	
				Feral Pigeon		Bullfinch		Mistle Thrush	
				Stock Dove		Continental Goldcrest		Tree Creeper	
				Woodpigeon		Whinchat		Siskin	
				Raven		Collard Dove		Nuthatch	
				Common Crow		Turtle Dove		Carrion/Hooded Crow	
				Rook		Starling		Carrion Crow	
				Jackdaw		Blackcap		Wheatear	
				Blue Tit		Whitethroat		Long Tailed Tit	
				House Martin		Lesser Whitethroat		Willow Warbler	
				Great Spotted Woodpecker		Green Sandpiper		Willow Tit	
				Lesser Spotted Woodpecker		Wren		Corn Bunting	
				Yellowhammer		Redwing		Tawny Owl	
				Continental Robin		Blackbird		Garden Warbler	
				Kestrel		Song Thrush		Sedge Warbler	
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GCER

Taxon group	Latin	English	Status	Location	Date	Status_Type	Grid_1km	Eastings	Northings	Precision
bird	Passer domesticus	House Sparrow	Priority species-2007, Bird-Red, England NERC S.41	Hayden	20120224	Nat Legislation, Red Data List, UK BAP	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Anthus pratensis	Meadow Pipit	Bern-A2, Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Fiddler's GreenSO9123	20031218	International, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Passer domesticus	House Sparrow	UK Priority Species 2007, Bird-Red, England NERC S.41	Hayden	20061112	Nat Legislation, Red Data List, UK BAP	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Anas platyrhynchos	Mallard	Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20030301	Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Turdus philomelos	Song Thrush	UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Red	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20030301	National Legislation, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Delichon urbicum	House Martin	Bern-A2, Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Springbank	20120613	International, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Columba oenas	Stock Pigeon	Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20030301	Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Phylloscopus trochilus	Willow Warbler	Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20030401	Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Larus ridibundus	Black-headed Gull	Bird-Amber	Hayden	20080202	Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Turdus pilaris	Fieldfare	Bird-Red, WACA-Sch1_part1	Hayden	20080202	Nat Legislation, Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Passer domesticus	House Sparrow	UK Priority Species 2007, Bird-Red, England NERC S.41	Hayden	20080202	Nat Legislation, Red Data List, UK BAP	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Turdus philomelos	Song Thrush	UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Red	Cheltenham, Springbank	20110611	National Legislation, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Larus canus	Mew Gull	Bird-Amber	Hayden	20080202	Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Hirundo rustica	Swallow	Bern-A2, Bird-Amber	Boddington	20130116	International, Red Data List	SO9023	390050	223350	100m
bird	Parus major	Great Tit	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Springbank	20110611	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Periparus ater	Coal Tit	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20030301	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Parus major	Great Tit	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Springbank	20110425	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km

Taxon group	Latin	English	Status	Location	Date	Status_Type	Grid_1km	Eastings	Northings	Precision
bird	Regulus regulus	Goldcrest	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20030301	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Troglodytes	Winter Wren	Bern-A2	Hayden	20080202	International	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Carduelis carduelis	European Goldfinch	Bern-A2	Hayden Sewage Treatment Works		International	SO92	390750	223150	100m
bird	Parus major	Great Tit	Bern-A2	Hayden	20080202	International	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Passer domesticus	House Sparrow	UK Priority Species 2007, Bird-Red, England NERC S.41	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20030301	Nat Legislation, Red Data List, UK BAP	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Emberiza citrinella	Yellowhammer	UK Priority Species 2007, Bern-A2, Bird-Red, England NERC S.41	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20030301	International, Nat Legislation, Red Data List, UK BAP	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Falco tinnunculus	Common Kestrel	Bern-A2, Bird-Amber	HaydenSO9123	20030507	International, Nat Legislation, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Falco subbuteo	Hobby	Bern-A2, WACA-Sch1_part1	Cheltenham, Golden Valley	20130510	International, Nat Legislation	SO9022	390500	222500	1km
bird	Larus ridibundus	Black-headed Gull	Bird-Amber	Hayden	20061112	Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Sturnus vulgaris	Common Starling	UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Red	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20030301	National Legislation, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Erithacus rubecula	European Robin	Bern-A2	Hayden Sewage Treatment Works		International, Nat Legislation	SO92	390750	223150	100m
bird	Prunella modularis	Hedge Accentor	Bern-A2, UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Amber	Hayden Sewage Treatment Works		International, Red Data List	SO92	390750	223150	100m
bird	Cyanistes caeruleus	Blue Tit	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Springbank	20110425	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Cyanistes caeruleus	Blue Tit	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Springbank	20110611	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Parus major	Great Tit	Bern-A2	Hayden	20140421	International	SO9023	390850	223450	100m
bird	Prunella modularis	Dunnock	Bern-A2, UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Amber	Hayden	20140421	International, Red Data List	SO9023	390850	223450	100m
bird	Linaria cannabina	Linnet	Bern-A2, UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Red	Hayden	20140421	International, Red Data List	SO9023	390850	223450	100m

Taxon group	Latin	English	Status	Location	Date	Status_Type	Grid_1km	Eastings	Northings	Precision
bird	Larus fuscus	Lesser Black-backed Gull	Bird-Amber	Hayden	20080202	Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Larus fuscus	Lesser Black-backed Gull	Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Springbank	20110611	Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Larus fuscus	Lesser Black-backed Gull	Bird-Amber	Hayden	20061112	Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Larus fuscus	Lesser Black-backed Gull	Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Springbank	20110425	Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Hirundo rustica	Barn Swallow	Bern-A2,	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20030501	International, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Passer domesticus	House Sparrow	UK Priority Species 2007, Bird-Red, England NERC S.41	Cheltenham, Springbank	20110611	Nat Legislation, Red Data List, UK BAP	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Parus major	Great Tit	Bern-A2	Hayden	20061112	International	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Passer domesticus	House Sparrow	UK Priority Species 2007, Bird-Red, England NERC S.41	Cheltenham, Springbank	20110425	Nat Legislation, Red Data List, UK BAP	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Erithacus rubecula	European Robin	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20030301	International, Nat Legislation	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Turdus iliacus	Redwing	Bird-Red, WACA-Sch1_part1	Hayden	20080202	Nat Legislation, Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Cyanistes caeruleus	Blue Tit	Bern-A2	Hayden	20061112	International	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Larus argentatus subsp. argentatus	Larus argentatus subsp. argentatus	Bird-Red	Hayden Sewage Treatment Works		Red Data List	SO92	390750	223150	100m
bird	Alauda arvensis	Sky Lark	UK Priority Species-2007, Bird-Red, England NERC S.41	Hayden	20061112	Nat Legislation, Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Cyanistes caeruleus	Blue Tit	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130428	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Larus ridibundus	Black-headed Gull	Bird-Amber	Hayden Sewage Treatment Works		Red Data List	SO92	390750	223150	100m
bird	Cyanistes caeruleus	Blue Tit	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130623	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Carduelis carduelis	Goldfinch	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130623	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km

Taxon group	Latin	English	Status	Location	Date	Status_Type	Grid_1km	Eastings	Northings	Precision
bird	Carduelis chloris	Greenfinch	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130428	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Erithacus rubecula	Robin	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130428	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Erithacus rubecula	Robin	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130623	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Troglodytes troglodytes	Wren	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130623	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Motacilla cinerea	Grey Wagtail	Bern-A2, Bird-Red	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20031218	International, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Turdus pilaris	Fieldfare	Bird-Red, WACA-Sch1_part1	Hayden Sewage Treatment Works		Nat Legislation, Red Data List	SO92	390750	223150	100m
bird	Prunella modularis	Dunnock	Bern-A2, UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130428	International, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Carduelis carduelis	European Goldfinch	Bern-A2	Hayden	20080202	International	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Motacilla alba subsp. yarrellii	Pied Wagtail	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20050515	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Delichon urbicum	House Martin	Bern-A2, Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130428	International, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Delichon urbicum	House Martin	Bern-A2, Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130623	International, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Linaria cannabina	Common Linnet	Bern-A2, UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Red	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20030301	International, Nat Legislation, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Hirundo rustica	Swallow	Bern-A2, Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130623	International, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Larus canus	Common Gull	Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130428	Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Larus marinus	Great Black-backed Gull	Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130428	Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Larus fuscus	Lesser Black-backed Gull	Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130428	Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Larus fuscus	Lesser Black-backed Gull	Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130623	Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km

Taxon group	Latin	English	Status	Location	Date	Status_Type	Grid_1km	Eastings	Northings	Precision
bird	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>	Willow Warbler	Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130428	Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	Goldfinch	Bern-A2	Hayden	20140628	International	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>	Willow Warbler	Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130623	Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Common Starling	UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Red	Hayden Sewage Treatment Works		National Legislation, Red Data List	SO92	390750	223150	100m
bird	<i>Parus major</i>	Great Tit	Bern-A2	Hayden	20140628	International	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>	Song Thrush	UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Red	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130623	Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Carduelis chloris</i>	Greenfinch	Bern-A2	Hayden	20140628	International	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Starling	UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Red	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130623	Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Troglodytes</i>	Wren	Bern-A2	Hayden	20140628	International	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Prunella modularis</i>	Hedge Accentor	Bern-A2, UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Amber	Hayden	20080202	International, Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Starling	UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Red	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130428	Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Prunella modularis</i>	Duncock	Bern-A2, UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Amber	Hayden	20140628	International, Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>	Skylark	UK Priority Species-2007, Bird-Red, England NERC S.41	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130428	Nat Legislation, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Linaria cannabina</i>	Linnet	Bern-A2, UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Red	Hayden	20140628	International, Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	House Sparrow	Priority species-2007, Bird-Red, England NERC S.41	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130428	Nat Legislation, Red Data List, UK BAP	SO9123	391500	223500	1km

Taxon group	Latin	English	Status	Location	Date	Status_Type	Grid_1km	Eastings	Northings	Precision
bird	<i>Larus fuscus</i>	Lesser Black-backed Gull	Bird-Amber	Hayden	20140628	Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	House Sparrow	Priority species-2007, Bird-Red, England NERC S.41	Cheltenham, Springbank	20130623	Nat Legislation, Red Data List, UK BAP	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Carduelis chloris</i>	European Greenfinch	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20030301	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Larus argentatus</i>	Herring Gull	UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Red	Hayden	20140628	Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>	Song Thrush	UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Red	Hayden	20140628	Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Starling	UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Red	Hayden	20140628	Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>	Great Spotted Woodpecker	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Springbank	20120613	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>	House Martin	Bern-A2, Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Springbank	20120613	International, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Apus apus</i>	Swift	Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Springbank	20120613	Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>	Skylark	UK Priority Species-2007, Bird-Red, England NERC S.41	Cheltenham, Springbank	20120613	Nat Legislation, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	European Goldfinch	Bern-A2	Hayden	20061112	International	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Troglodytes</i>	Winter Wren	Bern-A2	Hayden	20061112	International	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Apus apus</i>	Common Swift	Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Springbank	20120613	Nat Legislation, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>	Sky Lark	UK Priority Species-2007, Bird-Red, England NERC S.41	Cheltenham, Springbank	20120613	International, Nat Legislation, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>	House Martin	Bern-A2, Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Springbank	20110611	International, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km

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bird	Picus viridis	Green Woodpecker	Bern-A2	HaydenSO9123	20030507	International, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Columba oenas	Stock Dove	Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Springbank	20110425	Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Anthus pratensis	Meadow Pipit	Bern-A2, Bird-Amber	Hayden Sewage Treatment Works		International, Red Data List	SO92	390750	223150	100m
terrestrial	Pipistrellus pipistrellus	Pipistrelle	Bern-A2, HabDir-A4, Hab	Boddington	23/04/2013	International, Nat Legislation	SO9022	390050	222350	100m
terrestrial	Myotis	Unidentified Bat	HabDir-A4, HabReg-Sch2,	Boddington	23/04/2013	International, Nat Legislation	SO9022	390050	222450	100m
terrestrial			Bern-A3, Protection of	Golden Valley Bypass -						
mammal	Meles meles	Eurasian Badger	Badgers Act (1992)	A40	20050822	International, Nat Legislation	SO9021	390750	221650	100m
terrestrial	Plecotus auritus	Brown Long-eared B	UK Priority Species 2007,	Boddington	09/05/2013	International, Nat Legislation,	SO9022	390050	222550	100m
bird	Parus major	Great Tit	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20030301	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
terrestrial	Pipistrellus pipistrellus	Pipistrelle	Bern-A2, HabDir-A4, Hab	Boddington	09/05/2013	International, Nat Legislation	SO9022	390050	222650	100m
terrestrial	Erinaceus europaeus	West European Hedgehog	Priority species-2007, Bern-A3, England NERC S.41		20150723	International, Nat Legislation,	SO9122	391545	222645	10m
terrestrial	Erinaceus europaeus	West European Hedgehog	Priority species-2007, Bern-A3, England NERC S.41		20150313	International, Nat Legislation,	SO9122	391555	222655	10m
terrestrial	Erinaceus europaeus	West European Hedgehog	Priority species-2007, Bern-A3, England NERC S.41		20150812	International, Nat Legislation,	SO9122	391595	222995	10m
bird	Dendrocopos major	Great Spotted Woodpecker	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Springbank	20120613	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Sturnus vulgaris	Common Starling	UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Red	Hayden	20061112	National Legislation, Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Prunella modularis	Dunnock	Bern-A2, UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Springbank	20110425	International, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Prunella modularis	Dunnock	Bern-A2, UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Springbank	20110611	International, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Regulus regulus	Goldcrest	Bern-A2	Hayden	20061112	International	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Carduelis carduelis	European Goldfinch	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20030301	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Sturnus vulgaris	Common Starling	UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Red	Hayden	20080202	National Legislation, Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km

Taxon group	Latin	English	Status	Location	Date	Status_Type	Grid_1km	Eastings	Northings	Precision
bird	Cyanistes caeruleus	Blue Tit	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20030301	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Troglodytes troglodytes	Winter Wren	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20030301	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Troglodytes troglodytes	Winter Wren	Bern-A2	Hayden Sewage Treatment Works		International	SO92	390750	223150	100m
bird	Erithacus rubecula	Robin	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Springbank	20110611	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Erithacus rubecula	Robin	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Springbank	20110425	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
terrestrial	Rhinolophus hipposideros	Lesser Horseshoe Bat	Priority species-2007, Bern-A2, England NERC S.41, HabDir-A2*, HabDir-A4, HabReg-Sch2, WACA-Sch5_sect9.4b, WACA-Sch5_sect9.5a, WACA-Sch5_sect9.5b, WACA-Sch5Sect9.4c	Fidler's Green	14/02/2015	International, Nat Legislation, UK BAP	SO9122	391550	222850	100m
bird	Cyanistes caeruleus	Blue Tit	Bern-A2	Hayden	20080202	International	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Erithacus rubecula	European Robin	Bern-A2	Hayden	20080202	International, Nat Legislation	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Motacilla flava subsp. flavissima	Yellow Wagtail	UK Priority Species 2007, Bern-A2, Bird-Red, England NERC S.41	HaydenSO9023	20020614	International, Nat Legislation, Red Data List, UK BAP	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Sturnus vulgaris	Starling	UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Red	Cheltenham, Springbank	20110611	Nat Legislation, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Sturnus vulgaris	Starling	UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Red	Cheltenham, Springbank	20110425	Nat Legislation, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Prunella modularis	Hedge Accentor	Bern-A2, UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Amber	Hayden	20061112	International, Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km

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terrestrial mammal	Meles meles	Eurasian Badger	Bern-A3, Protection of Badgers Act (1992)	Hayden Sewage Treatment Works	19960131	International, Nat Legislation	SO9023	390750	223150	100m
bird	Motacilla alba subsp.	Pied Wagtail	Bern-A2	Hayden	20061112	International	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Erithacus rubecula	European Robin	Bern-A2	Hayden	20061112	International, Nat Legislation	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Troglodytes troglodytes	Wren	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Springbank	20110425	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Troglodytes troglodytes	Wren	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Springbank	20110611	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Apus apus	Common Swift	Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20030501	Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Motacilla alba subsp. yarrellii	Pied Wagtail	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20030301	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Prunella modularis	Hedge Accentor	Bern-A2, UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20030301	International, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Emberiza citrinella	Yellowhammer	UK Priority Species 2007, Bern-A2, Bird-Red, England NERC S.41	Cheltenham, Springbank	20110425	International, Nat Legislation, Red Data List, UK BAP	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Alauda arvensis	Sky Lark	UK Priority Species-2007, Bird-Red, England NERC S.41	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20030301	Nat Legislation, Red Data List	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Motacilla alba subsp. yarrellii	Pied Wagtail	Bern-A2	Hayden Sewage Treatment Works		International	SO92	390750	223150	100m
bird	Motacilla cinerea	Grey Wagtail	Bern-A2, Bird-Red	Hayden Sewage Treatment Works		International, Red Data List	SO92	390750	223150	100m
bird	Phoenicurus ochruros	Black Redstart	Bern-A2, Bird-Red, WACA-Sch1_part1	Cheltenham, Fiddler's GreenSO9122	20031218	International, Nat Legislation, Red Data List	SO9122	391500	222500	1km
bird	Turdus philomelos	Song Thrush	UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Red	Hayden Sewage Treatment Works		National Legislation, Red Data List	SO92	390750	223150	100m
bird	Turdus iliacus	Redwing	Bird-Red, WACA-Sch1_part1	Hayden Sewage Treatment Works		Nat Legislation, Red Data List	SO92	390750	223150	100m
bird	Carduelis chloris	European Greenfinch	Bern-A2	Hayden	20080202	International	SO9023	390500	223500	1km

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bird	Cyanistes caeruleus	Blue Tit	Bern-A2	Hayden	20120224	International	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Regulus regulus	Goldcrest	Bern-A2	Hayden	20120224	International	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Carduelis carduelis	Goldfinch	Bern-A2	Hayden	20120224	International	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Parus major	Great Tit	Bern-A2	Hayden	20120224	International	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Motacilla alba subsp.	Pied Wagtail	Bern-A2	Hayden	20120224	International	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Erithacus rubecula	Robin	Bern-A2	Hayden	20120224	International	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Dendrocopos major	Great Spotted Woodpecker	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Fiddler's Green	20030301	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Troglodytes	Wren	Bern-A2	Hayden	20120224	International	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Strix aluco	Tawny Owl	Bern-A2, Bird-Amber	Cheltenham, Golden Valley	20070815	International	SO9022	390500	222500	1km
bird	Carduelis carduelis	Goldfinch	Bern-A2	Cheltenham, Springbank	20110611	International	SO9123	391500	223500	1km
bird	Prunella modularis	Dunnock	Bern-A2, UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Amber	Hayden	20120224	International, Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Chroicocephalus	Black-headed Gull	Bird-Amber	Hayden	20120224	Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Larus fuscus	Lesser Black-backed Gull	Bird-Amber	Hayden	20120224	Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Columba oenas	Stock Dove	Bird-Amber	Hayden	20120224	Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Larus argentatus	Herring Gull	UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Red	Hayden	20120224	Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Turdus pilaris	Fieldfare	Bird-Red, WACA-Sch1_part1	Hayden	20061112	Nat Legislation, Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Pyrrhula pyrrhula	Common Bullfinch	UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Amber	Hayden	20080202	Nat Legislation, Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Turdus viscivorus	Mistle Thrush	Bird-Red	Hayden	20120224	Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Turdus philomelos	Song Thrush	UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Red	Hayden	20120224	Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Sturnus vulgaris	Starling	UK Priority Species 2007, England NERC S.41, Bird-Red	Hayden	20120224	Red Data List	SO9023	390500	223500	1km

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bird	Alauda arvensis	Skylark	UK Priority Species-2007, Bird-Red, England NERC S.41	Hayden	20120224	Nat Legislation, Red Data List International, Nat	SO9023	390500	223500	1km
bird	Emberiza citrinella	Yellowhammer	Priority species-2007, Bern-A2, Bird-Red, England NERC S.41	Hayden	20120224	Legislation, Red Data List, UK BAP	SO9023	390500	223500	1km

Appendix 5 Letters of Support



HOUSE OF COMMONS
LONDON SW1A 0AA

Adrian Kingsbury
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17 July 2017

Dear Adrian,

Thank you for your email to Ben and for sending a copy of the Springbank Neighbourhood Forum's Local Green Space 'toolkit' submission on 10 July.

I have looked into this issue with care. You will be aware that decisions on the existence, location and extent of a Local Green Space are made by the local planning authority - here CBC. Accordingly, this is not a matter for the Inspector *per se*. Furthermore, I am advised that it has been received after the deadline for representations to the EIP. However, in my view the Inspector should take it into consideration as part of residents' responses on the matters she has jurisdiction to consider; my understanding from having raised this with CBC is that she will do so.

Accordingly, this is something we must take in stages. I am advised that the decision on any future LGS will be for CBC in the context of their Local Plan. It is going to be vital to enlist the support and input of local councillors into that process, as they can be expected to have particular influence. For my part I can however, state at this stage that (as I've made clear in my recent letter to Elizabeth Ord) I believe we need to ensure that extensive green space is included as part of any development. Furthermore, green buffer zones must be evenly and sensitively distributed.

As you are by now well aware, my support for a Cyber Park should not be misconstrued as support for 'free for all' development of the green fields to the west of Cheltenham. As I made clear in my formal representations to the Joint Core Strategy Inspector, there is a clear and important distinction between the 'infill site' to the west of GCHQ, and the larger site which runs from Henley Road northwards to the Old Gloucester Road. 1,100 homes seems a high number to me, and CBC will need to justify this kind of scale of development.

Indeed, the Borough Council needs to treat this latter site - which I recognise has significant environmental value - with special sensitivity given the obvious potential impact.

Thank you again for getting in touch,

Belwimer,

Alex.

P.S. If the LSS proposal is going to have maximum prospects of success, it's essential that the councilors get on board. If you want me to facilitate a meeting I'd be delighted to do so. I'm very conscious of the need to safeguard green space, and I want to be as helpful as I can.



COUNCILLOR PETER JEFFRIES & COUNCILLOR SUZANNE WILLIAMS

Adrian Kingsbury
Springbank Neighbourhood Forum

Date: 03/07/17

Dear Adrian

Reference: Local Green space application

Please accept this letter as our support for the Springbank neighborhood forum local green space (LGS) application, for the proposed west Cheltenham joint core strategy (JCS) allocation.

We believe that local green space is intrinsically linked to a better quality of life for communities, and whilst the west of Cheltenham currently enjoys the greenbelt which enhances the lives of residents of Springbank, should the JCS allocation be agreed then this LGS will be paramount for the quality of life to not only the existing residents, but also for those residents in any new development, commercial or residential.

The LGS application being prepared is probably the most critical issue to face our community, since we have had the honour of representing Springbank; and one that will have a lasting impact for many generations. We are therefore pleased that we can support you, both on this and the developing neighborhood plan that the forum will be progressing.

Yours sincerely

Peter

Councillor Peter Jeffries

Councillor Suzanne Williams

The map shows the Hayden area in Cheshire, with the proposed Hayden Green extension highlighted in green. The extension is bounded by a red line. The map includes labels for Hayden, Hayden Green, Hayden Farm, Orchard House, Hope Farm, and Springbank. It also shows various drains, paths, and a scale bar from 0 to 1000 metres. A legend indicates the Cheshire and Wirral Borough Council and the Wirral Borough Council.

