

Local Green Space Consultation – June 2015 Response Form

Your name / organisation:

Winterbourne Parish Council

Address and contact details (please include phone number & email address):

[Redacted address and contact details]

In order to be able to proceed with the protection of the green spaces that have been put forward for designation as Local Green Spaces we must have for each space:

- details of the ownership of the land (if at all possible)
- a map of the boundaries
- an explanation of how it meets the criteria for designation and
- specific justification for why it is demonstrably special to the local community

Therefore please first check the List of Nominated Local Green Spaces and maps which can be viewed at: www.southglos.gov.uk/lgsd15 which identifies where further information on any of the above is still needed and then provide us with the additional information where necessary using this form:

PLEASE USE A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH GREEN SPACE

Name and code of nominated space:

Please clearly reference the individual Local Green Space's code provided in both the List of nominated Local Green Spaces and the maps, available from www.southglos.gov.uk/lgsd15

LGSD1141 – Small Common, Frenchay

A) Ownership of Local Green Space

Please indicate if you or your organisation are the landowner:

YES. Winterbourne Parish Council is the landowner.

If you are not the landowner can you provide their name and contact details?

Not applicable

Is the land owner aware of the proposal to designate their land?

YES

(If you are not the landowner please now continue to Section B)

If you are the landowner, are you in support of or objecting to the proposals to designate this land?

Yes. Winterbourne Parish Council fully support the proposal to designate their land.

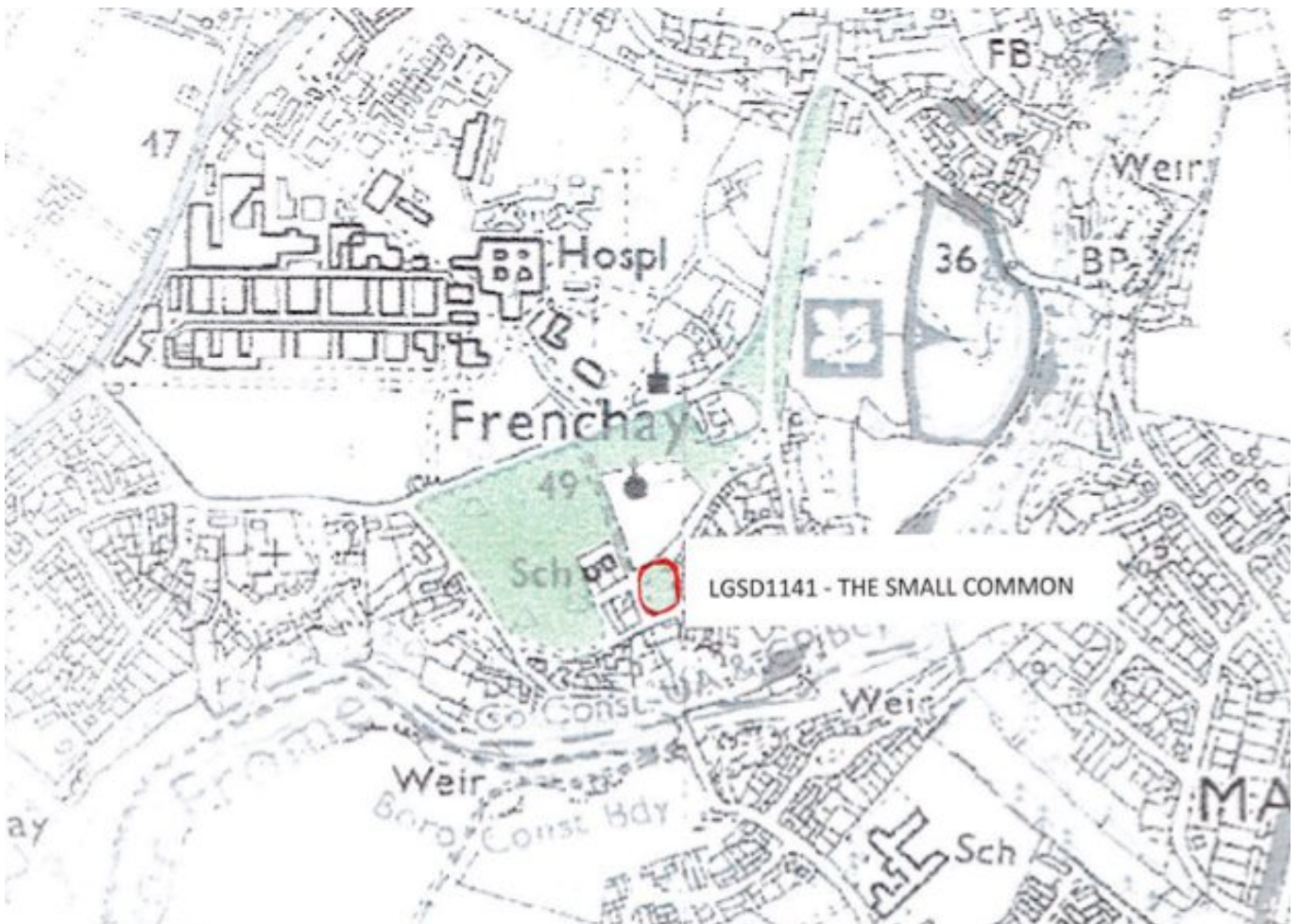
If you are objecting to the proposals to designate your land, what are your reasons? (please refer to criteria in sections C and D below in particular)

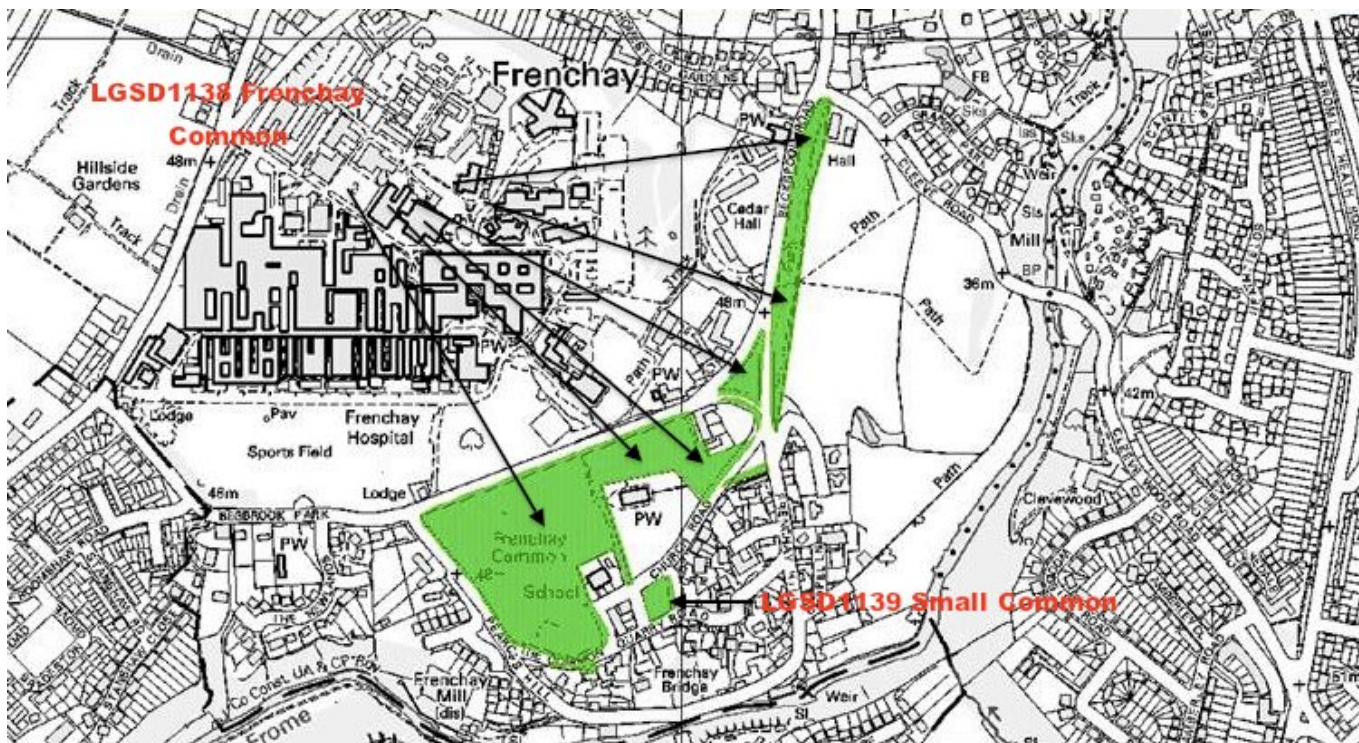
Not applicable

B) Map of proposed Local Green Space

PLEASE PROVIDE A MAP WHICH SHOWS THE BOUNDARIES OF THE PROPOSED LOCAL GREEN SPACE

If not previously provided. Please see List of Nominated Local Green Spaces and Mapped, nominated Local Green Spaces to check if this is required. www.southglos.gov.uk/lgsd15





IF YOU ARE THE LANDOWNER PLEASE PROVIDE A MAP OF YOUR OWNERSHIP
 This is particularly important if this differs from the area proposed for designation e.g. if you own only part of the proposed Local Green Space, see the Mapped, nominated Local Green Spaces: www.southglos.gov.uk/lgsd15

C) Does the space meet the national criteria for designation as a Local Green Space?

Please provide a response to each of the following 5 criteria - where information has not already been provided or is incorrect in the List of nominated Local Green Spaces. (Table 1 of the Local Green Space Designation Updated Guidance Note (June 2015) www.southglos.gov.uk/lgsd15 provides further details of the criteria and guidance on what sort of information you may wish to submit):

1. Is the proposed space subject to a planning permission for development? (See Criteria 1 in the guidance note)

NO

2. Is the proposed space the subject of an allocation, or proposal to allocate, for development in the Local Plan? (See Criteria 2 in the guidance note)

NO

3. Is the proposed space an extensive tract of land and is it local in character? (See Criteria 3 in the guidance note)

The proposed space is not an extensive tract of land. It is less than 19 hectares in size.

The site is within the Conservation village of Frenchay and is mentioned on page 15 of the Supplementary Planning Document as follows 'the Small Common comprises a small circular green dotted with a few trees. This was once a deep quarry and became a local rubbish tip but was finally grassed over in the early 20th century. Surrounded, on three sides, by 18th and 19th century cottages it is one of a number of small intimate areas that

make up Frenchay.’ It is, therefore, local in character.

4. Is the space within close proximity to the community it serves? (See Criteria 4 in the guidance note)

YES. The space is within the village of Frenchay and is easily accessible to all members of the community by road and footpaths

5. Is the specific space demonstrably special to the local community? e.g. not a blanket designation (see Criteria 5 in the guidance note)

YES. There is a Frenchay Commons Committee whose specific aim is to oversee and look after any maintenance and report back to Winterbourne Parish Council.

D) Why is the space of particular local significance?

Please use the following response box to provide specific evidence as to how at least one of the following criteria is relevant:

Please state which criterion, 6-11, are relevant to the nominated space. Table 2 of the Local Green Space Designation Updated Guidance Note (June 2015) www.southglos.gov.uk/lgsd15 provides further details on the criteria and guidance on what sort of information you may wish to submit to justify how the space is of particular local significance and demonstrably special to the community that use it:

6. The proposed space is of particular local significance because of its beauty
7. The proposed space is of particular local significance because of its historic significance
8. The proposed space is of particular local significance because of its recreational value
9. The proposed space is of particular local significance because of its tranquillity
10. The proposed space is of particular local significance because of its richness of wildlife
11. The proposed space is of particular local significance because of another reason not covered by criteria 6-10.

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The area forms part of Frenchay Common – as registered with the Commons Registration Authority.

It is within the established Frenchay Conservation Area and protected by its Supplementary Planning Document.

6. The proposed space is of particular local significance because of its beauty. It contributes to both the village-scape, landscape and setting of the settlement. The space is covered by both Conservation Area status and the Supplementary Planning Document.

7. The proposed space is of particular local significance because of its historic significance. The circular green was quite a deep quarry with a steep face on the northern

(churchyard) which had a spring at its base. Men made a living from touring the area fetching water from the many springs for different laundries. It is registered Common Land. It is surrounded by mainly 18th and 19th century cottages on three sides.

8. The proposed space is of particular local significance because of its recreational value. The Small Common has a number of semi mature trees growing upon it which generally makes it unsuitable for most recreational activities. Of particular note are the horse chestnut trees which provide an abundance supply of conkers for the adjacent Primary School children and others.

10. The proposed space is of particular local significance because of its richness of wildlife. The trees provide a good habitat for avian wildlife and is a green corridor for birds including green woodpeckers and bats are frequently noted flying to and from their roosts.

The Small Common registered with Nature England (previously The Countryside Agency).

Please return completed forms by close of business on 30th July 2015:

By e-mail: PlanningLDF@southglos.gov.uk

By post: Strategic Planning Policy and Specialist Advice Team, South Gloucestershire Council, Environment and Community Services Department, PO Box 299, Civic Centre, High Street, Kingswood, Bristol, BS15 0DR.

Viewing documents

The consultation documents can be viewed from: www.southglos.gov.uk/lgsd15

The consultation documents are also available to view online at:

- South Gloucestershire Libraries (please refer to www.southglos.gov.uk/libraries for locations and opening times); and
- The Council's One-Stop Shops, from 8.45am - 5pm Mondays to Wednesdays and 8.45am - 4.30pm Thursdays and Fridays, in the following locations:
 - Thornbury Library, St Mary Street, Thornbury, BS35 2AA
 - Yate, Kennedy Way, BS37 4DQ (access via West Walk)
 - Kingswood Civic Centre, High Street, Kingswood, BS15 9TR
 - Patchway Hub, Rodway Road, Patchway, BS34 5PE

Data protection

The information collected as part this consultation will also be used by the Council in accordance with the data protection principles in the Data Protection Act 1998. The purposes for collecting this data are: to assist in plan making; and to contact you, if necessary, regarding the planning consultation process. Some of the data may be made public as it will form part of the evidence base used to inform the creation of planning policy documents. The above purposes may require public disclosure of any data received on the response form, in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Plan 1 Frenchay Conservation Area

Designated as a Conservation Area in 1975. Part to the north-west of the River Frome was designated by the former Northern District Council 30th July 1975. The remainder to the south-west of the river designated 13th August 1975 by the former Kingswood District Council. The area is now wholly within South Gloucestershire.

1A) Character Areas (Inset plan)

Within the Conservation Area there are a number of distinctive character areas as defined on the plan. (See pages 5 and 6 - 19 for more details)

- 1) The Wings
 - 2) Georgian houses and houses by the Downer and DeLapud Road
 - 3) Frenchay Park (1830)
 - 4) Cottages, open spaces and walls
 - 5) Riverside by Uddell's & Clewwood Road
 - 6) Area of modern development
- Green areas to the west of the Frome (A) are open spaces of high quality with their own character.

Key Local Plan Policies

The Conservation Area is located within the urban area - except for a small part to the north within the Green Belt. These and other policies in the Local Plan seek to encourage good design, the protection of local distinctiveness and landscape character, trees, river valley and biodiversity. For full details of relevant policies refer to the South Gloucestershire Local Plan. Also available online at www.southglos.gov.uk

- Conservation Area Boundary (Policy L10)
- Local Heritage (Policy L10, L14)
- Local Listed Buildings - including cottages (Policy L15)
- Public Footpaths (Policy L16)
- Green Belt (Policy G11)
- Historic Parks & Gardens (Policy L14)
- Nature Conservation (Policy L12)
- Open Spaces to be protected (Policy L13) - only in areas shown (All other will be assessed on a case by case basis)
- River (Policy 1)
- Within the Conservation Area

1A) Character Areas



Heimbouk Conservation Area



Bristol City Council
Stapleton & Frome Valley
Conservation Area

Map of the Frenchay Conservation Area
Scale: 1:10,000
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