



Assets of Community Value Nomination Form

(Complete in conjunction with Guidance Notes)

SECTION 1 – NOMINATING BODY'S DETAILS

1.1 Title of Nominating Body: Hawkhurst Parish Council

1.2 Address including postcode: Office at the Moor, Hawkhurst, Kent TN18 4NT

1.3 Full Name of Nominating Body's Representative: Richard Griffiths

1.4 Representative's contact details:

Correspondence address:

Office at the Moor, Hawkhurst, Kent TN18 4NT

Daytime telephone number:

01580 752058 / 07907 022914

Email address:

Parish.clerk@hawkhurst-pc.gov.uk



SECTION 2 – TYPE OF BODY

2.1 Body type: <i>Please tick any that apply</i>	
Unincorporated body (with membership of a least 21 local people who are registered to vote locally)	
Neighbourhood Forum	
Parish Council	X
Charity	
Community Interest Company	
Company limited by guarantee (which does not distribute any surplus it makes to its members)	
Community Benefit Society (former Industrial and provident society)	
2.2 Supporting evidence: <i>Please tick any of the following documents that are relevant to your organisation and provide copies</i>	
Company Registration number	
Memorandum of Association	
Articles of Association	
Charity number	
Trust deed	
Constitution/Terms of reference/.Standing Orders	
List of names and addresses of at least 21 members of an unincorporated body who are registered to vote in Tunbridge Wells or an adjoining borough	

2.3 Local connection

Your organisation must have a local connection which means that its activities are wholly or partly concerned with Tunbridge Wells Borough Council's area or that of a neighbouring local authority. Where this is not obvious, such as in the case of a parish council, please provide an explanation.

Parish Council

2.4 Distribution of surplus funds

For organisations other than parish councils, please confirm and provide evidence that any surplus made by the organisation is wholly or partly applied for the benefit of Tunbridge Wells Borough Council's area or that of a neighbouring local authority's area.

NA

SECTION 3. DETAILS OF NOMINATED ASSET

3.1 Type of asset e.g. shop, pub, community hall etc.

Open space – Hawkhurst Golf Club

3.2 Address or location of asset

Hawkhurst Golf Club, High Street, Hawkhurst Kent TN18 4JS

3.3 Extent and boundaries of asset (please provide Land Registry title plan if possible)

Please see attached Land Registry Title documents for Hawkhurst Golf Club

- **K1662635 – note land edged in Green (K297098) on the title plan has been removed from this title and is not included in this application.**
- **K211554**

Hawkhurst Golf Club is a gem in the Weald, a woodland golf course in the traditional rolling hills of West Kent within the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

Hawkhurst Golf Club is located on the western edge of Hawkhurst, with the main entrance off the A268. Slip Mill Lane abuts the western/ southern edge of the golf club and the eastern side adjoins the edge of the housing in Hawkhurst.

Hawkhurst Golf Club was closed on 1st April 2020 but has a clubhouse, car park and a number of ancillary buildings associated with golf club maintenance.

Hawkhurst Golf Club furthers the social well-being of the local community and is the largest cultural, recreation and sporting asset in the area, it is 20.69 hectares.

3.4 Are any parts of the asset residential accommodation? If so, provide full details including details of any occupation.

No

SECTION 4 OWNERSHIP AND OCCUPIERS

4.1 Name and address of freehold owner(s)

Cedardrive Ltd,
Jenga (Golf Club Holding) Ltd
22, Wadsworth Rd,
Perivale,
Greenford
UB6 7JD

4.2 Name and address of any leaseholder(s)

NA

4.3 Name and where appropriate, address of any known occupiers

NA

SECTION 5 SUPPORTING EVIDENCE FOR COMMUNITY USE

Before completing this section refer to section 5 of the Guidance Notes. Complete only either 5.1 or 5.2.

5.1 What is the current main (non-ancillary) use of the land and/or the building and how does this further the social wellbeing or social interests of the local community?

NA – Facilities closed 1st April 2020

If appropriate, continue on separate sheet

Or:

5.2 If the main use of the land and/or building does not currently further the social wellbeing or social interests of the local community, please explain why not. When did the land and/or building last further the social wellbeing or social interests of the local community?

Please give details of the past use of the nominated asset and when this ceased.

Hawkhurst Golf Club furthered the social well-being of the local community and is the largest cultural, recreation and sporting asset to the area, at 20.69 hectares.

It contributed to each of the four main criteria; well-being, cultural, recreation, and sporting.

The Golf Club closed on the 1st April 2020 leaving many Golf Club members distraught.

It also saw the closure of the Hawkhurst Squash Club on the site; again leaving many members with reduced opportunity to be active.

The Hawkhurst Golf Club clubhouse was a well- used venue for community activity – U3A regularly used it for their activities – film night, exercise classes and alike

If appropriate, continue on separate sheet

5.3 Please provide as much information as possible about why the nominated land or building is of community value.

Hawkhurst Golf Club contributed to each of the four key criteria - well-being, cultural, recreation, and sporting.

The clubhouse could be refurbished and extended to be used by the community, say as environmental centre in the AONB

The aim is to retain the bulk of the land as a community-led golf course for public use, along the lines of the Village Golf course in Staplehurst.

There is strong demand from the community for an additional central village location for an allotment – which is a legal requirement for a local authority to meet.

There is also scope for creating routes for jogging, cycling and other outdoor recreation.

A children's playground and outdoor gym have been identified as necessary additions to the central village facilities.

There is also scope for creating extra parking for village use which will enable more people to come to the village to socialise in the village cafes or visit the Kino for cultural

If appropriate, continue on separate sheet



SECTION 6 REALISM OF FUTURE USE

Before completing this section refer to section 6 of the Guidance Notes. Complete only either 6.1 or 6.2.

6.1 Please give your reasons as to why you consider that the nominated land and/or building will continue to further the social wellbeing or social interests of the local community in the future.

na

If appropriate, continue on separate sheet

Or:

6.2 Please demonstrate why it is realistic to think that there will be a time in the next five years when the main use of the nominated land and/or building will further the social wellbeing or social interests of the local community. Please provide any proposals for reinstatement of a use that supports the community.

The aim is to reinstate the bulk of the land as a community golf club; we have initiated initial discussion with ground maintenance contractor, KCC Landscapes regarding two costs; - re-instatement and a specification for ongoing maintenance. – If successful with this bid we will firm these up and then go to tender.

We have liaised with Staplehurst Village Golf club on their management arrangements which are voluntary management group. <https://www.villagegolf.org.uk/>

If successful we would work with the community to form a community led management team setting prices, rules and regulations and organising competitions. We already have a potential vehicle to do this – HCT 2018 – a community trust focused on social and recreation in the village.

Consultation with the community has already illustrated the importance of extra car parking for Hawkhurst – it also ties in with the adopted Hawkhurst Business Regeneration plan – 2020

As a provider of allotments in the village we have a long waiting list for our two sites – 23 as of December 2020. So we know there is demand for allotments and we will seek to lay out a parcel of land for allotments.

As a Parish We are uncapped so could increase the precept if necessary to help cover the operating costs

If appropriate, continue on separate sheet



SECTION 7 SUBMITTING YOUR NOMINATION

Signature Date:

Print name of authorised signatory:

Position in Organisation:

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Completed forms can be emailed or sent to:

Email: business@tunbridgewells.gov.uk

Address: Economic Development, Tunbridge Wells Borough Council, Town Hall, Civic Way, Royal Tunbridge Wells, TN1 1RS

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Date nomination received:

Date validated:

Date by which decision must be made: