



GRANT APPLICATION FORM

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Section A: The Organisation

Name of Organisation

The Chiltern Society

Main Contact Name

Alie Hagedoorn

Contact e-mail Address

XXXX

Contact Phone Number

XXXX

Contact Address

XXXX

Are you a newly formed group (less than 1 year)?

Yes ☐ No ☒

How long has your group been operating?

Almost 60 yrs

Do you have a voluntary management committee?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Do you have a formal constitution?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Do you have an equal opportunities policy/statement?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Do you have an annual record of accounts?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Please describe your group's main activities:

Please attach copy of most recent accounts and latest bank statement to your application.

For almost 60 years, The Chiltern Society has been there to help people improve their part of the Chilterns. With our volunteers, members, and partners, we are tackling some of the most serious threats to the countryside – from climate change, to overbearing development and disappearing green spaces and wildlife – to care for this unique landscape.

The people of the Chilterns are at the heart of our work. Through partnerships with national and local stakeholders, we enable individuals and communities to make a difference on their own doorsteps, and through this, take positive action for the Chiltern's environment. We:

- maintain and restore the 2,200 miles of paths and bridleways that crisscross the Chilterns
- are on the ground in the area's green and blue places managing woodland, clearing streams, and creating homes for wildlife
- fight the worst excesses of building and infrastructure projects and champion the best of sustainable development
- promote the heritage of the Chilterns through our annual Heritage Festival, and offer hundreds of walks, cycle rides and events throughout the year.

Section B: The Grant

What is the Grant For?

Replacement off 3 faulty kissing gates in Goring Parish.

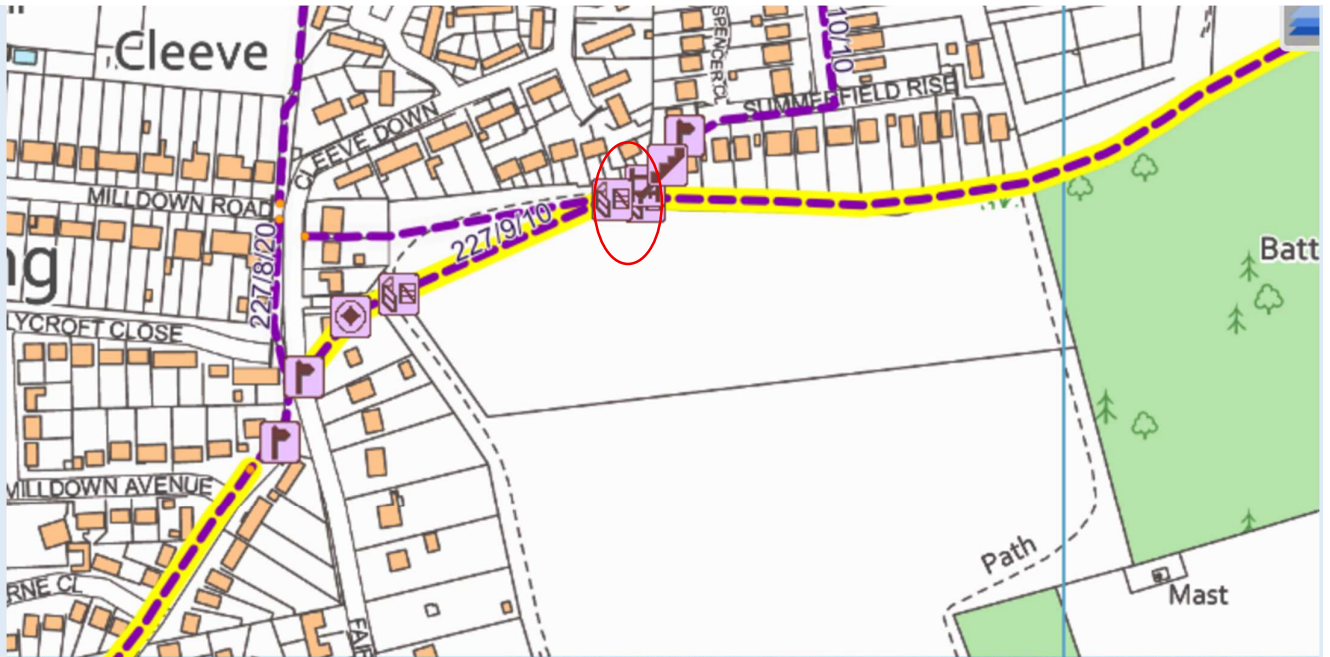
1. On the Elvedon estate at the end of the field on footpath 14. Note that consideration has been given to accessibility, but the path is on a steep hill, especially at the start, not suitable for limited mobility users. The existing kissing gate was installed in 2013 and has come to the end of its life. Two of the posts are rotten, and the gate is wobbly and is about to fall over. The landowner has replied not to be able to fund. The new gate will be a metal meshed kissing



gate, as there is livestock in the field, and the metal is the current standard of the Chiltern Society having longer durability. Please see red circle below for the location and a photo of the current gate.



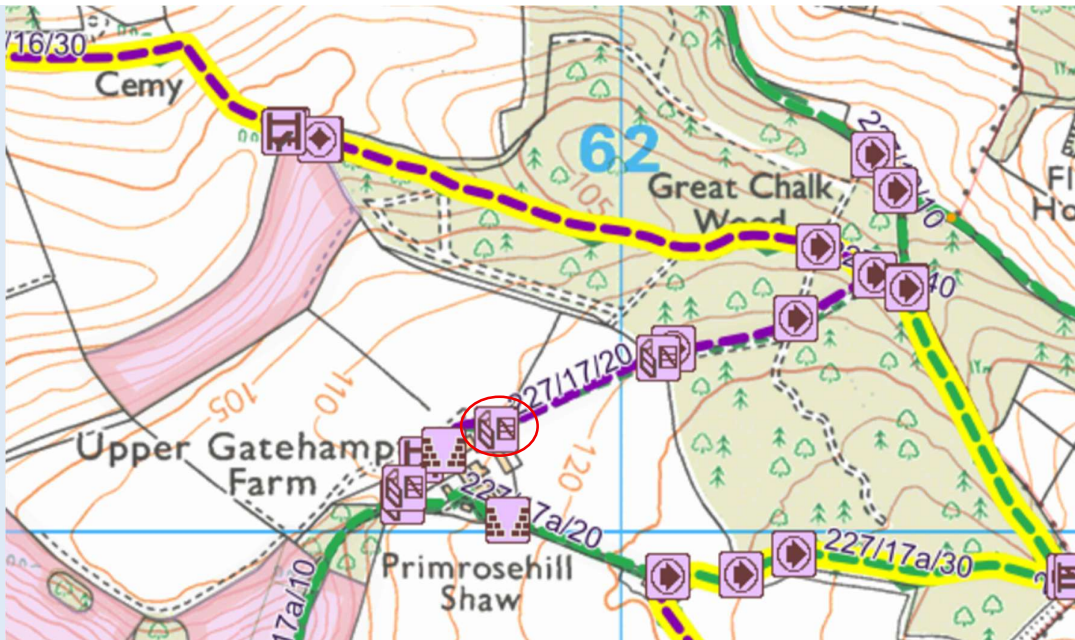
2. On footpath 227/9/10 towards Battle Plantation, at the end of the former horse paddock. The gate is completely in pieces and unusable. As it is at the end of a meadow, it will have to have a functioning gate. The land owner has replied not able to fund a gate, and has agreed to a metal gate. Please see the red circle below for the location and a photo of the current gate. Accessibility has been assessed as a normal kissing gate instead of a wide accessibility as the path is steep going through the meadow and the kissing gate at the beginning of the path is already a normal kissing gate.



3. A very old and weathered kissing gate near Gatehampton farm on 227/17/10 towards Great Chalk Wood. Whilst the gate is still functional it is very old, weathered and is expected not to last until the end of the year. Please see circle below of the location and a photo of the current gate.. The farmer has indicated that the gate must be a wooden gate, and has agreed for the Chiltern Society to replace the gate. The accessibility would depict a normal kissing gate instead of a wide accessible gate, due to 2 reasons: the path further into the farm has a narrow pathway along the farm, and the path into Great Chalk Wood tends to be muddy and is accessed by a normal kissing gate.



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Note that there is no cost for contractors, as the demolishing and installation work will be carried out by the Chiltern Society SCPMV (South Chilterns Path Maintenance Volunteers) group.

Who will benefit from the grant if approved?

All walkers in the parish using the footpaths. All 3 footpaths are regularly used and popular by walkers.

How will the Civil Parish of Goring-on-Thames benefit from the monies if the grant is awarded?

Goring Parish is very active promoting walking, and this will directly fit into this remit. Many walkers are local walkers who will benefit from the improved state of the kissing gates.



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How much are you applying for?

£ 2250

How many people will benefit from the monies?

Hundreds and over time thousands of walkers

Have any other bodies been approached for grant funding in relation to this application / Project?

Yes ☐

No ☒

If Yes, please provide details.

What will you do if you get less funding than you have asked for? Will all or part of the project still go ahead? Please tell us what could be achieved if you only receive part funding?

If Goring Parish Council cannot fund the entire amount, Chiltern Society would need to seek additional funding from other organisations, which might be unlikely given that not all parishes have any remaining funding available and we are already leaning on them for other funding.

If successful your grant will be paid directly into the bank account detailed on the bank statement given in support of Section A of this form, cheques will be provided in the name of the organisation on the bank statement only in exceptional circumstances. If you require a cheque, please detail why below.

Bank details: The Chiltern Society, Sort Code 40-17-12, account *973.

Please provide a full breakdown of the project costs and how they will be funded:

Item	Cost	Funded From
Metal kissing gate Elvedon	£750	Goring Parish Council
Metal kissing gate towards Battle plantation	£750	Goring Parish Council
Wooden kissing gate at Gatehampton Farm	£750	Goring Parish Council
Total Project Cost:	£2250	



Section C: The Terms and Conditions

By signing this Grant Application, you are agreeing to the following:

- You are an official representative of your group and are authorised to apply for funding on their behalf.
- Your details can be held with Goring-on-Thames Parish Council in accordance with the Data Protection Act to administer the grants process.
- The information provided in this application is a fair and accurate description of your group and the project for which you are seeking funding. Misleading or inaccurate information may result in your application being rejected. Late application or failure to complete any section of the application form may result in your application being delayed or rejected.
- Information about your group and your project may be made available as part of Goring-on-Thames Parish Councils decision making system. Personal contact details and bank details will not be made public.
- You have given due regard to health and safety considerations and have controls in place to eliminate or reduce risk exposure.
- You will provide Goring-on-Thames Parish Council with any information they request to enable them to assess your application. This may include (but is not restricted to) a copy of your constitution, accounts or bank statements, equal opportunities policy, insurance and relevant health & safety policies.
- You will provide Goring-on-Thames Parish Council with any evidence or monitoring information they request to ensure that any grant awarded has been spent in accordance with this application and any other terms and conditions.
- Grant funding may be subject to additional terms and conditions, which will be made available to you if your application is successful

I confirm that the information given in this application is a fair and accurate description of our group and our proposed project.

I am authorised to apply for funding on behalf of the group and agree to abide by the terms and conditions of the grants process.

Name

Alie Hagedoorn

Signature

X

Position in Organisation

Area Secretary

Date

10 July 2026

This completed application forms, copy of your financial accounts, bank statement and any other supporting documents should be returned to:

Attention: The Clerk, Goring-on-Thames Parish Council, The Old School, Station Road, Goring, RG8 9HB



GRANT EVALUATION FORM

Complete all sections. Contact the Clerk to the Council if you have any questions

Section A: The Grant

Name of Organisation

Year of Award

How much funding did you receive?

£

Did you spend the entire amount awarded?

Yes

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No

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If No, please explain why the full amount was not spent and detail how much remains?

What did you use the grant monies for?

Section B: Evaluation

What difference has the funding made in the locality/community?

Please include information about the number of people in Goring who participated and/or benefited from the grant.

How did your group measure these benefits?

Did you come across any problems in the delivery of your projects, and give reasons.

Please use this space to make any other comments which will help us improve the grants process/programme



Section C: The Terms and Conditions

It was a condition of your grant to fill in this evaluation form. Failure to do so will affect any future grant funding applications.

I am authorised to complete this form on behalf of the group. (Normally completed by the original applicant of the grant)

Name

Position in Organisation

Signature

Date

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NOTE: If you received money for equipment or capital works please include proof/copies of relevant receipts to this evaluation form.