Wiltshire Council

Nomination for listing as an Asset of Community Value

Nominated land

Area to be covered Please describe the nominated land including its proposed boundaries and exact location, address, postcode and a map attachment.	This is a public house - The New Inn, Upper Seagry, Wilts. SN15 5HA. It can be found on O/S map Landranger 173 at grid ref. 947808. A map of its position in the village has already been lodged with Wilts Council as part of its Land Registry no. WT188251

Ownership Please state all the information you have on: (i) the names of current occupants of the land, and (ii) the names and current or last known addresses of all those holding a freehold or leasehold estate in the land; Please include a copy of the land registry entry.	The current owners are John and Helen Greenhill, 5 Maudlin Drive, Teignmouth, Devon. TQ14 8RU The Land Registry entry confirming the above, no. WT188251, has already been lodged with Wilts Council Current licensee and lease holder is Christopher Fox, The New Inn, Upper Seagry, Wilts. SN15 5HA

Community value Your reasons for thinking that Wiltshire Council should conclude that the land is of 'community value', having regard to the definition in the Localism Act: • current primary use of the building/ land or use of the building/ land in the recent past furthers the social well-being or social interests (cultural, recreational, or sporting interests) of the local community • it is realistic to think that now or in the next five years there could continue to be primary use of the building/land which will further the social well-being or social interests of the local community (whether or not in the same way as before)	The New Inn has been the village pub for well over a century and, as such, is a vital part of our historical heritage. It is one of the 'cornerstones' of the village – a focal point for many activities over the year – besides maintaining its role as a traditional pub and restaurant. The pub has a well-used noticeboard advertising local community events. Events in a typical year include • Major sporting events such as international rugby – can be screened in the bar • There is a regular monthly quiz night, bringing people together from a variety of backgrounds • This has recently been extended to a popular 'Rock n' Roll Bingo' night, appealing to a wider audience • The pub has been involved in fund-raising for local charities such as Wiltshire Air Ambulance and Guide Dogs for the Blind • For example, a few years ago the pub presented a cheque for £3300 to Julia's House children's hospice. • In the past the pub has hosted the annual Harvest Supper and auction, thus providing links with our local parish church • The pub has organised events specific to public festivals such as the New Years Day breakfast, Burns Night and the popular Easter Egg Throwing Competition • Local groups use the pub for meetings and\or meals such as the Shooting Club, Womens Institute and Friends of Seagry School Facilities available to the community include • A beer garden which is particularly popular in the summer months and enjoyed by families • The pub is very near our recreation ground and is much frequented by users of it – such as campers through the year. Thus the pub enhances the attractiveness of the recreation ground, thereby helping to support that vital open space which is so important to our community • Free wifi is provided for customers • Free parking is available both next to the building and nearby in the road with specific spaces marked. These are used by community members at various times and not just when the pub is open - providing a much needed and valuable service. • Well behaved dogs are welcome, making the pub popular with local dog walkers • The pub kitchen provides a 'takeaway' facility for the community – this was a particularly important and welcome service during the recent pandemic

	• The pub provides an excellent choice of home-cooked food, using local produce where possible. Similarly there is an excellent choice of ales with the main beer provided by a Malmesbury brewery. Local businesses are thus supported • In the past the pub has provided an 'outside' bar service on request – and has done so on various occasions - for example at our village hall for weddings and birthday celebrations. • Seagry is on a designated cycle route and the pub is much used by cyclists as a 'stop-off' point The New Inn enables local people and families to enjoy a range of drinks and food in a welcoming and convivial atmosphere. Interestingly, research commissioned by Oxford University found that people who have a 'local' are happier, more satisfied with life and have a wider network of friends! We, the villagers, know how much the pub adds value to our community. Publications such as our millennium record "Reflections of Seagry" and our local history book "Seagry Yesterday and Today", all draw attention to the pubs importance to us. We want it to stay that way. In recent years Seagry has won district rounds for Best Kept Small Village, one report from CPRE noting that " the pub and its car park were clean and tidy and it is obviously a community asset." This application for our pub to become an Asset of Community Value follows our first successful application in July 2017 which was supported by villagers, CAMRA and our Parish Council. Seagry Parish Council remains the committed backer of our new application. July 2023

Eligibility to nominate Please provide evidence that you meet the definition of a community nominator as set out in the regulations (i.e. a parish council or voluntary or community body with a local connection). If an unincorporated group please provide a list of 21 names on the local electoral register.	This is provided by Seagry Parish Council. See Council minutes of 11/7/23, Item 8p, at www.seagryparishcouncil.gov.uk.

Your details

Parish	Seagry

Community area	Chippenham

Your organisation	Seagry Parish Council

Contact name	Andrew Ball

Position held	Member of Seagry Parish Council

Address	Greenleaves, 35 Upper Seagry Nr Chippenham Wilts. SN15 5HA

I confirm that all information provided is accurate and complete

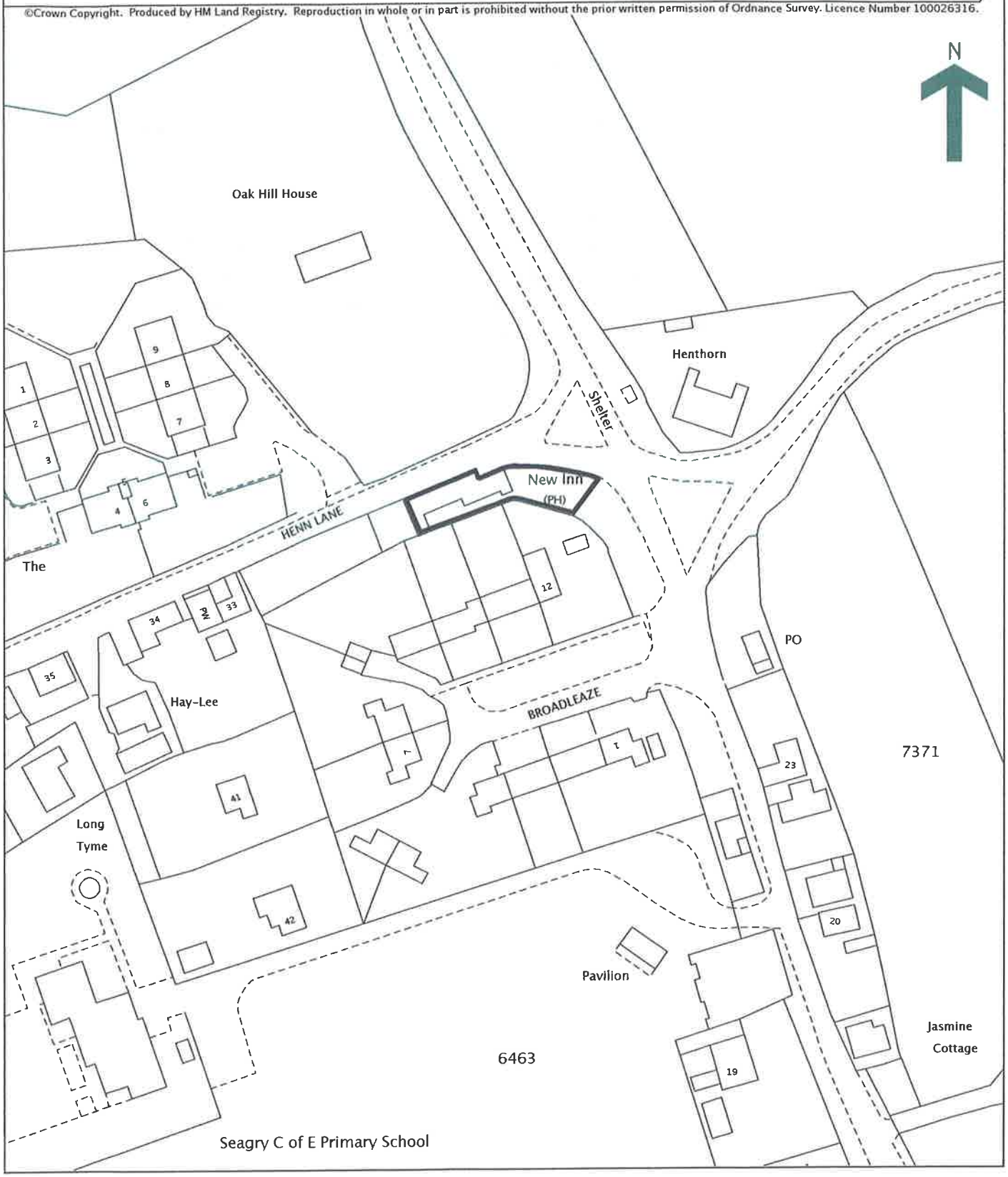
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