

Cheshire West and Chester Council / Chester Civic Trust

LOCAL HERITAGE LIST

NOMINATION FORM

Ref: 30

Name of building, structure or feature (if any) Birch Heath Lane – south side

Address/Location Birch Heath Lane, Christleton

Present use (if any) Residential area

OS Grid Reference (if address unknown) SJ 442 656

Reasons for nomination (please include at least one of the defined Criteria for Selection)

- Group value - attractively mixed streetscene
- Aesthetic value
- Age

(PTO)

Nominated by: _____

Address: c/o Christleton Parish Council

Telephone No: _____

E-mail address: _____

CIVIC TRUST ASSESSMENT (*Office use only please*) REF No _____

Visited or reviewed by: _____ Date: _____

Principal Criteria _____ Secondary Criteria _____

Comments _____

(Tick one) **Recommended for inclusion** **Not recommended** **Undecided**

CWac COUNCIL DECISION (*Office use only please*)

Comments _____

(Tick one) **Accepted for inclusion** **Not accepted**

Name: _____ Date _____

Please provide one or more photographs
(print here or identify loose photographs)



Please provide any historical evidence or reference data:

The south side of Birch Heath Lane from the village green to High Walls is within the Conservation Area and is covered by an Article 4 directive.

It preserves the look of the original rural street-scene, with a run of agricultural cottages culminating in what was the farmhouse at the end of the lane, High Walls, a house that was gentrified in a Georgian style at the beginning of the 19th century, but with humbler origins dating from the 18th century. Until the second half of the 20th century, there would have been no other buildings in Birch Heath Lane.

High Walls was used as a private prep. school from the 1940s until the 1960s and there is a WWII concrete air raid shelter in the grounds.

The conservation area ends at the boundary wall between High Walls and the newer houses built in the 1980s.