

Cheshire West and Chester Council / Chester Civic Trust

LOCAL HERITAGE LIST

NOMINATION FORM

Ref: 6

Name of building, structure or feature (if any) Birch Heath Lodge

Address/Location Birch Heath Lane, Christleton

Present use (if any) Nursing Home

OS Grid Reference (if address unknown) SJ 441 656

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

- Aesthetic Value – Victorian dominant building in the village centre
- Social and Communal Value – Houses up to 38 elderly residents
- Historic Association – former Leonard Cheshire home

(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:

A house called The Green dating back to the 17th century once stood on this site and was subsequently known as Holly Bank. In 1823, it was a boarding school for fifteen boys aged 9 to 15, Christleton Academy. At the end of the 19th century it was a 'school for gentlemen', and later in the 20th century it became a Leonard Cheshire Home until it was converted into a nursing home by the local Mount family. On their retirement it was sold to the current owners, the MMCG Group.

There are two stone acorns on the main gateposts, which were stated by Canon Garnett's widow to have come from '...the Georgian parish church..'

Reference:

'Christleton 2000 Years of History' – Christleton Local History Group, 2000