



Gloucestershire Centre for Environmental Records

Calling all Parish and Town Councils!

Are you preparing a Neighbourhood Development Plan, Town Plan, Parish Plan or Community Design Statement? Do you need information about wildlife in your area?

GCER can help!

GCER is Gloucestershire's local environmental records centre

With over 2 million plant and animal records, our database is a source of information for local and national authorities, commercial consultants, local naturalists, researchers and NGOs.

Based at Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust's headquarters in Gloucester, we supply site and species data for planning consultations, ecologists' reports and a wide range of conservation projects. We also provide mapping and interpretation, data analysis and training.



When might you need GCER?

All public authorities have a duty to take biodiversity into account when carrying out their objectives. However, making the most of opportunities to see and conserve habitats and species is difficult without knowing exactly where they are. GCER staff have a lot of experience at providing the information you need.

An important part of the NDP planning process is consultation. Presenting complex information in a way that is accessible to the public can be a daunting task. GCER provides tailor-made maps for both technical and non-technical users: you can customise our outputs to exactly what you need.

Initial assessments and quotes are free.

The minimum cost for preparing maps and wildlife information for a Neighbourhood Development plan or other parish-sized plan is a day's work at £275 plus VAT.

To find out more, please contact Linda Moore at the address below.

Note that groups writing a neighbourhood plan can apply for up to £9,000 in government grant – Gloucestershire Rural Communities Council (GRCC) can help with grant applications. See their website for grant information:

www.grcc.org.uk/community-led-planning/community-led-planning

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