

RHS It's Your Neighbourhood Assessment Form

Town/Village St George Bristol

Name of IYN Friends of Troopers Hill

Judge Terry Porter

Date 15th July 2016

LEVEL ACHIEVED	Outstanding
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Feedback

Areas of achievement:

This is one of the best nature sites that I have had the pleasure to visit, . An exemplary nature reserve in an urban area of St George (Bristol). An SSI with unique geology and related flora and fauna. An old mining site which has been preserved and well maintained.

It is good to see that you have a very positive management plan and work to it.

There is such a variety of vegetation and it does seem to be well maintained and protected. You must be the only group who organise work parties to dig out and destroy native oak seedling to ensure the integrity of their site!

Lots of events ensure the site is well used and used appropriately, from 'Star gazing evenings' to fun dog shows.

You have very good and appropriate notice boards throughout the site, and I like the extra touch of facilities for notices of events to be posted. You also have good information available.

The audio tour is also a very good facility to enable visitors to gain more information from their visit.

Certainly much more than the tower that I always saw in pictures of the site.

Areas for development:

Well done for getting the £80,000 funding for the natural play area, and I wish you success with the development of it.

I am sure it will encourage a new type of visitor to your main site.