Historic Parks & Gardens in South Gloucestershire

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Acton Court, Iron Acton, ST 676 843, 20a, SMR 3030.

Iron Acton Conservation Area

C16 century walled garden, with forecourts to south and east of the house on medieval site with fishponds; England's earliest garden sundial, 1520, probably by Nicholas Kratzer, the King's horologer, Ongoing archaeological excavations for possible Renaissance garden.

House (LBII*) mid C16 for the Poyntz family, reduced and remodelled c1680. Scheduled Ancient Monument.

Now owned and undergoing restoration by English Heritage; occasional open days.

Algars Manor, Iron Action, ST 676 832, 16a, SMR 4365

C20 woodland gardens on C15/C16 site which originally incorporated Algars Mill; mature native trees and recent planting of many varieties; naturalised spring bulbs. House (LBII) c1600.

Public access to 3a south of River Frome, including riverside walk.

Ashwick Hall, Marshfield, ST 792 717, 106a, SMR 2053.

C19 & C20 garden on earlier parkland, by E Millner of Sydenham c1900-20:grand ornamental entrance gates and flanking walls; walled kitchen garden; coach-house; stable block; terrace with niche; terrace garden with temple; lake with wind-pump, irregular canal, cascade and bridge; lime avenue; specimen trees; well planted parkland with many unusual varieties.

House (LBII) 1857-60, by J K Colling for John Cavendish Orred, altered c1900-20; terrace walls and steps; lodges; walled garden; gates, walls etc; bridge; (LBII) all 1857-60 by Colling.

Now a school.

Badminton House, Badminton, ST 804 287, 800a, SMR 2362.

English Heritage Register Grade I.

Great Badminton and Little Badminton Conservations Areas.

Landscape park and pleasure grounds late C17 and C18: remains of extensive formal park with avenues and cross rides including work by George London and Henry Wise, Charles Bridgeman late C17 early C18. William Kent c1746. Thomas Wright c1747-50. 'Capability' Brown c1760s with flower gardens and pleasure grounds C19, and recently, for the Dukes of Beaufort. Includes Italianate orange garden; walled kitchen garden; numerous garden buildings; avenues, woodland walks, specimen trees, clumps. House (LBII) 1660s-90s, 1730s-50s by Francis and William Smith of Warwick, Kent, with pavilions by James Gibbs; c1810 by Wyatville; 1838-51 and later by T H Wyatt and D Brandon. Swangrove House (LBI), a maison de plaisance, c1703 by William Killigrew of Bath; bath house, orangery, almshouse c1714, Worcester lodge (LBI) c1740 by kent; roothouse (LBII*) 1747 by Wright; Castle Barn (LBII) 1748 by Wright. Ragged Castle (LBII*), cottages ornees (LNII*), castellated barn, Deer House (LBII*), 2 Gothic 'Slait Lodges'

(LBII*) all c1750 by Wright; Church (LBI) 1785 attributed Charles Evans, probably Wright; Bath Lodge (LBII) early C19; dovecotes; numerous other listed features including estate cottages, houses and shops, farmhouses, farm buildings, ice houses, bridges, walls, gates and railings, etc.

Battlefields House, Cold Ashton, ST 724 704, 4a, SMR 11080

Remains of early C19 garden on site of Battle of Lansdown, 1640; ruined summerhouse; Monuments to Sir Bevil Granville (Scheduled Ancient Monument); tree-lined drive; matures trees.

House (LBII) 1802 by Charles Harcourt Masters; garden ornament (summerhouse) (LBII) early C19; rusticated archway (LBII) early C19; coach house (LBII) early C19; lodge (LBII) 1836 by Charles Dyer; pair of gate piers (LBII) early C19.

Berwick Lodge, Almondsbury, ST563 808, 10a, SMR 4375.

Informal garden on 1890 site: remnants of water garden in woodland; summer-house probably 1890; formal sunken rose garden; specimen trees; yew topiary. Garden undergoing restoration.

Bitton Old Vicarage, Bitton. ST 683 693,1.5a SMR3974

Bitton Conservation Area

Plantsman's garden, created by Canon H N Ellacombe and his father Canon H T Ellacombe, early C19-1916; made famous through former's books. *In a Gloucestershire Garden* (1895) and *In my Vicarage Garden and Elsewhere* (1902). Vicarage sold as private house 1951; garden has declined in condition over decades; a few old trees and shrubs survive.

House (LBII) 1778-1823

Blue Lodge, Siston, ST 693 742, 4.5a SMR11058

C19 garden; mature specimen trees on laws; kitchen garden with old espaliers; old orchard.

House (LBII) early C19 and later; garden walls; stone niche; sundial; various stone ornaments. C19 greenhouse

Cleeve Hill, Mangotsfield, ST 645 778, 20a, SMR11059

C18 park and pleasure grounds created by Thomas Wright for Charles Bragge, c1750's on site of earlier house and grounds (depicted by Kip[). Bones of Wright design, chiefly serpentine approach, and some planting, still discernible among suburban development.

Palladian mansion, 1717 demolished 1920; stable block, octagonal riding school, orangery and one lodge (LBII) attributed to Wright survive.

Cleevewood House, Downend, ST 645 775, 2a SMR11060

Frenchay Conservation Area.

C18-19 garden above River Frome; specimen trees near house; zig-zag paths with pennant stone retaining walls down to riverside; overgrown woods contain mature trees. House (LBII) C18 remodelled early C19.

Crest Hotel, Winterbourne, ST 628 785, 8a, SMR 11077.

Formerly Conifers, formerly Oxleigh. Of garden interest for C18 stone prospect tower and gate-piers in style of Thomas Wright who worked nearby at Stoke Park (qv). Also ha-ha and mature ornamental conifers, and groups of giant sequoias. Conifers now provides hotel staff accommodation.

Dodington House, Dodington, ST 752 798, 600a, SMR 10077.

English Heritage Register Grade II*

Landscape park, 1764, by 'Capability' Brown for Sir William Codrington, modified 1793 by Emes and Webb, for Christopher Bethell Codrington: church; conservatory; walled kitchen garden; classical garden buildings and lodges; summer houses; two irregular lakes linked by serpentine aqueduct and castellated Gothic cascade; 1930s terraced flower gardens with fountain; perimeter tree belt, woodlands and well timbered park; grove of Corsican pines; specimen trees including lime, beech, oak, cedar, Turkey oak, Lucombe oak, holm oak, fern-leaved beech, walnut.

House (LBI) 1796-1816 by James Wyatt for Christopher Bethel Codrington; pedestals and urns (LBII) early C19; garden ornaments on terrace (LBII) early C19; balustrade (LBII) early C19; urn and pedestal (LBII) early-mid C19; Orangery (LBI) c1799 by James Wyatt; Church of St Mary (LBI) 1796-1816 by James Wyatt; walls, piers, gates, railings, bridge etc (LBII); Bath Lodge (LBI) c1800 by Wyatt; Chippenham Lodge (LBI) and gateway (LBII*) c1800 by Wyatt; West Lodge and gate (LBII) early C19; Dower House (LBI) formerly dairy and bath house 1796-1816 by Wyatt; summerhouse (LBII) early C19; stables (LBI) 1796-1816 by Wyatt, cascade building (LBII*) 1764 by Capability Brown; ornamental pigeon house with icehouse, now folly (LBII) early C19 fishing lodge (LBII) late C18, possibly Brown; 2 bridges (LBII) late C18, part of walk round lake; garden cottage (LBII) early-mid C19.

Down House, Tockington, Olveston, ST 612 874, 3.5a, SMR3475

Garden on former workhouse site; former dewponds; specimen trees and richly planted informal layout; yew hedge and topiary; ornamental fruit trees. House (LBII) early C19.

Doynton House, Doynton, ST 718 737, 11a, SMR 1614.

Doynton Conservation Area.

Late C17 garden: series of walled gardens; large kitchen garden, small kitchen garden with peach-houses and vinery, walled lawn area with Italianate well, walled area bounded by arboretum, mid C19, which included fern-leaf beech, sequoia, walnut, horse chestnut, holm oak, lime sycamore, cherry, herbaceous border; shrubs.

House (LBII) C17, altered C19 & C20; coach-house (LBII) early C19.

Dyrham Park, Dyrham and Hinton, ST 742 757, 265a, SMR 3347.

English Heritage Register Grade II*.

Dyrham Conservation Area.

Landscape park, late C18 by Charles Harcourt Masters for William Blathwayt IV, on site of extensive Baroque garden with cascade, parterres and terraces, late-C17, by George London for Williams Blathwayt. Statue of Neptune survives. Twice visited by Humphry Repton, C1800. 40adeer park; well timbered parkland with remains of formal layout; 11a formal garden around two Elizabethan fishponds.

House (LBI) 1694-1704 by William Talman for W Blaywayt; orangery (LBI) 1701 by W Talman; statue of Neptune c1704 by John Harvey of Bath. National Trust.

Eastwood Park, Falfield, ST 674 924, 200a, SMR 1577.

C19 parkland on medieval site for Lord Liverpool: remains of formal garden; walled kitchen garden; terrace and ha-ha; remains of stream ornamentation with bridges, waterfall and pools; ponds in park; reservoir and wellhouse; gas production house; home farm; bothy; arboretum, orchard, ornamental woodland and timbered parkland.

House (LBII) 1820 for Lord Liverpool, enlarged and rebuilt 1865 by S W Daukes for Sir G S Jenkinson; stableblock and coach-house 1865 by Daukes.

Currently NHS engineering training centre.

Frenchay Hospital, Frenchay, Winterbourne, ST 638 777, 10a, SMR 11078.

Frenchay Conservation Area.

C18 parkland now substantially built over by hospital: fine avenue and specimen trees; cedar, Wellingtonia, monkey-puzzle, holm oak; ha-ha; walled garden; entrance lodges. French Park House (LBII) mid C18, extended early C19; stableblock (LBII) mid C19. Major hospital and HQ of Frenchay Health Authority.

Fromeshaw/Lake House, Winterboure, ST 642 779. 5a, SMR 3421.

Frenchay Conservation Area.

Regency style garden on an earlier site, part built over and divided in two: steps to lawn; small; remains of chapel-like garden building; remains of glass-houses; 5a pond with island; specimen cedars and Scots pine; dovecote, lodge remains of ancient sweet chestnut avenue now outside these properties.

Fromeshaw and Lake House and adjoining courtyard walk, garden terrace and grotto (LBII) listed as early C19, other sources suggest parts substantially older.

Hall End Farm, Yate, ST 712 872, 1a, SMR 4384.

Medieval site, now a working farm. Of garden interest for its C17 bee-boles; C17 canal; orchard; sundial.

Hall End Farmhouse (LBII) early C17; barn (LBII) early C19; bakehouse (LBII); gate piers and flanking walls (LBII) C18.

Hambrook House, Winterbourne, ST 640 788, 6a, SMR 11075.

Hambrook Conservation Area.

Formerly large garden now subdivided and partly built over; garden folly consisting of storehouse, perhaps icehouse, surmounted with earth mound and top 6m of spire of Winterbourne Church. Damaged by lightning, 1871, now outside present ownership. House (LBII) C17, refaced 1784; storehouse and folly (LBII), mid C19.

Hamswell House, Cold Ashton, ST732 715, 5a, SMR 4382.

Remains of C18 formal garden on an earlier site: C18 terraces; C17 canal; rose garden; sundial.

House (LBII*)C16 with later additions; orangery (LBII) late C18, altered c1930; garden walls and steps (LBII) C18 barn (LBII) late C15, altered C16, C17, C19; pair of gate piers (LBII)C18.

Hanham Court, Hanham Abbots, St 649 704, 19a, SMR1521

Hanham Abbots Conservation Area

Medieval ensemble of court, church and tithe barn; manor given to Keynsham Abbey c1330. Surviving walled orchards and fishponds; mature lime avenues; C20 tree-planting on law; historic woodland; field and archaeology south of house.

House (LBII*), said to be medieval in origin, C16-18 alterations, late C19 wing; tithe barn (LBII*) probably C15, stables (LBII) mid C19; wrought iron gates and ashlar piers (LBII) thought to be C18.

Heneage Court, Falfield, ST 688 936, 40a, SMR 11079.

Garden, pleasure grounds and woodland laid out 1913 on a C17 site by Edward Warren for Russell Thomas, Much planting and gazebo remain from this period; modern planting; new woodlands; new lake.

House (LBII) C17, altered early C18, restored and extended 1913 by E P Warren. SMR 2833

Hill Court, Hill, ST 649 953, 50a, SMR 4381.

C18 garden on an earlier site; remains of extensive formal gardens and ponds; walled formal garden with vases; kitchen garden; icehouse; terrace and steps; topiary; moat; extensive woodlands.

House (LBII) 1863 for Fust family; gates and piers (LBII) C18; sundial (LBII) C18; garden walls, urns, steps and piers (LBII) C18 & C19; dovecote (LBII) early C19.

Hill House, Wickwar, ST 720 8865, 3a, SMR11057.

Wickwar Conservation Area.

Garden on earlier site: densely planted, mostly recent but with mature trees, beech, ash, cedar, pines, medlar; terrace, urns by Lutyens from Eaton Hall, battlemented wall with miniature turrets; pond and fountain; C15 stone columns from Verona; aviary; pleached lime walk; wild garden.

House (LBII) early C18, restored 1968.

Hollywood Tower, Almondsbury, ST 575 814, 82a, SMR 2352.

Zoological reserve and breeding ground on site of Romantic landscape park, 1814 for Sir John David, further landscaping 1907 for Sir Stanley White: Tower in early parkland with 1815 oak avenue; extensive woodlands with now overgrown walks and ruinous summerhouses in picturesque style; remains of water cascade; ornamental ponds; Webb's Brake water garden with miniature boat-house; 1907 rockery and plant collection, part of rockery and statuary removed to Bristol Zoo; model farm; kitchen garden; C19 specimen trees, orchard, pleached hazel walk now abandoned Estate sold to Bristol Zoo, c1950s, with unfulfilled covenant requiring public display of animals in extensive enclosures.

House, stable, wall, kennels and piers (LBII) 1814; clock tower (LBII) mid C19; wall, gate piers, gate and railings (LBI)) c1820.

Horton Court, Horton, ST 766 850, 3a, SMR 4874.

Horton Conservation Area.

Site of Renaissance garden, of which fragments remain, arranged around C16 house and rare C12 Norman Hall: unique ambulatory overlooking terraced lawns: pond with island, one remaining of at least four medieval fishponds; rose garden on site of earlier bowling green; exceptional tulip tree.

House (LBI) C12 North Wing, remainder Tudor Gothic, c1520 for William Knight, Ambulatory (LBI), c1520 for W Knight. Coat of arms, 1521, found in garden wall, removed to house interior.

National Trust.

Kingsgate Park, Yate, See Stanshawes Court Hotel.

Kington House, Thornbury, ST 622 912. 0.5a, SMR 4373.

Garden on C17 sie with elaborate huge topiary in yew. English and European box; front garden depicts wedding party clipped in Victorian period from C17 planting; rear garden has Celtic cross in yew; modern stone dovecote in traditional style; staddle stones; C17 stone finials to gardens walls.

House 1665 with later extensions and alterations.

Knole Park, Almondsbury, ST596 833, SMR 3330.

Fragments of deer park, C16 for Sir Thomas Chester, mostly built over though site of house remains surrounded by mature C18 & C19 planting. C16 octagonal tower survived demolition of house in C1970, now reduced in height and incorporated onto modern house.

Lodge (LB II) 1731, altered and extended C19 and 1930.

Lake House, Frenchay, Winterbourne. See Fromeshaw House.

Lilliput Court, Sodbury, ST 725 817, 10a, SMR 11065.

Late C19 miniature landscape park; ornamental and native trees; two low terraces with steps and low ha-ha. Scale of house architecture and diminutive dimensions of other features combine in a fascinating Lilliputian theme.

House mid to late C19.

Little Sodbury Manor, Little Sodbury, ST 729 829, 9a, SMR 11046.

Garden on C15 site: field archaeology; ruins of St Adelaine's Church with ancient yews; font as garden feature; C17 stone kennel; summer house c1920 by Harold Brakspear for Baron de Tuyll; walled terrace gardens 1920s divided by yew hedges and stone walls with connecting steps flanked by C16 stone finials from Church; walled Tudor bowling green; walled formal garden 1920s divided by yew hedges and stone walls with connecting steps flanked by C16 stone finials from Church; walled Tudor bowling green; walled formal garden 1920s now planted with trees including mulberry and medlar; new kitchen garden;

sunken garden; specimen trees including copper hazel, blue cedar, handkerchief tree; remains of water garden by Brakspear and de Tuyll with system of ponds, now overgrown. House (LBI) early C15 for Stanshaw family, altered and extended late C15/C16 for Henry and Edwards Stephens, partly restored early C18, extensively restored c1930-20 by Sir Harold Brakspear for Lord Grosvenor and Baron de Tuyll; stone finials (LBII) early C16; retaining walls and steps (LBII) early C16; walls and gate piers to sunken garden (LBII) C18; garden gateway (LBII) early C17; archway 1981 by Oswald Brakspear, memorial to Mark Harford.

The Lons, nr Bitton, ST675 703, 10a, SMR10296

Small late C19 park, now chiefly open lawns; some terracing visible; some of the trees reputed to have come from Kew.

Large suburban house c1868; summerhouse.

Lyegrove House, Sodbury, ST 776 816, 17a, SMR 2120.

Garden on C17 site, part G.H. Kitchen for Countess of Westmoreland, 1927: three C20 walled formal gardens, one in walled kitchen garden; C19 avenue, lodge; C19 air-shaft for railway tunnel in style of Gothic tower; stables; remains of C17-C19 formal terraced gardens now under grass and woodland; C19 raised terrace walk behind crenellated 'fortifications' ending in raised terrplain with corner bastions; C19 woodland 'wilderness'; summerhouse, loggia and lily-pool.

House (LBII*) early C17, C18, C19, restored 1927 by Kitchen for Earl of Westmoreland; wall enclosing garden, gate piers etc (LBII); summerhouse (LBII) mid C18; retaining walls (LBI)) mid C19, possible icehouse under; Gothic lodge (LBII), 1835, by Charles Dyer of Bristol.

Manor House, Frenchay, Winterbourne, ST 641 782, 4a, SMR 3420.

Frenchay Conservation Area.

C18/C19 garden: mature specimen trees; elongated pond with island and statue; lawns with statue plinth, figure missing.

House (LBII*) c1736 by John Strahan for Joseph Beck, claimed to be first Bathstone house in Bristol; gates, piers, railings and wall, stableblock, Manor Cottage (LBII) mid C18. Now children's home.

Manor House, Gaunts, Earthcott, Almondsbury, ST 634 842, 0.25a, SMR11067.

Modern garden incorporating C17 features: 3 walled gardens; stone seats; sundial; modern planting period.

House (LBII*) 1603 core, later extensions; wall, gate piers and mounting block (LBII) C18.

Manor House, Wick & Abson, ST 695 725, 11a, SMR 11063.

C18 site recent 2a formal garden and 9a arboretum; C18 folly; ruined chapel. House (LBII) C17 and C18.

Marlwood Grange, Thornbury, ST 633 888, 15a, SMR 4379.

C19 garden on late C17 site: walled kitchen garden; woodland drive with cedars, monkeypuzzles and Wellingtonias grown from seed brought back on SS. Great Britain; informal planting with many specimen trees; modern shrub and rose gardens. House (LBII) early C19.

The Mount, Winterbourne, ST 654 806, 4a, SMR 110661.

Garden on earlier site: kitchen garden; many specimen trees including 200 year old mulberry and old and rare varieties of fruit tree. House (LBII) 1630, extended mid C18.

Northwoods, Frampton Cotterell, ST 640 827, 20a, SMR 6411.

C19 parkland and ornamental woodland to asylum in the style of classical mansion, built 1832 for Edwin Fydell Fox as a copy of Brislington House, Bristol (qv). Fox was a collector and hybridiser of British ferns from 1869 and helped build up the 'finest collection in the British Isles' at Bristol Zoological Gardens (qv).

House altered to separate dwellings, connecting arcades demolished c1960s: Northwood's House (LBII); Herridges, Sherborne, Seymour House and Calebs (LBII); Matford House (LBII) all 1832 for De E L Fox; fountain (LBII) mid C19.

Oaklands, Almondsbury, ST 606 837, 12a, SMR4222.

Naturalistic gardens and plant collection, 1895 by Hiatt Cowles Baker: miniature Japanese water garden with series of pools, recently restored; bridge, stone lanterns, statuary; rockery and pond; ha-ha; extraordinary plant collection, many rare and exotic; fine specimen trees; spring bulbs in woodland garden; sundial; summerhouse on mound. Summerhouse (LBII) early-C18, purchased by Baker and moved from Marshfield late-C19. Avon County Council old people's home.

Old Church Farm, Alveston, ST 632 866, 3a, SMR 11066.

Modern garden on site of extensive formal gardens depicted by Kip, 1712, when property called Alveston Manor: formal rose beds in lawns around central stone urn: soft fruit and espaliers; contiguous with ruined Church of St Helen; mature yews and Scots pines. House (LBII) late C16; church (LBII) and Scheduled Ancient Monument C14 tower and C12 wall.

Old Down House, Tockington, Olveston, ST 611 877, 7a SMR 4380.

Formal and informal gardens on C19 site: views over Severn Estuary to Welsh Hills; walled kitchen garden; 1920s conservatory and informal garden; specimen trees; topiary; shrubbery, rockery and walks; water-course; lake; fine recent planting. Boundary Walls (LBII) 1850 for Thomas Ward Johnson, altered by St George Oatley for the Hartford Family, rebuilt 1952 after fire. Ornamental gateway and gates restored.

Old House, Frenchay, Winterbourne, ST 640 777. 1a, SMR 11068.

Frenchay Conservation Area.

Garden on earlier site: male and female Gingkos planted by plant collector Francis Tuckett who brought vermiculated stone from New Zealand for planting with alpines; specimen holm oak, horned acacia; many roses, crab apples, other unusual specimens; sundial; remains of vinery; coachman's stableblock. House (LBII) C18/C19.

Old Vicarage, Hawkesbury, ST 767 869, 5.5a, SMR 1431.

Hawkesbury Conservation Area.

Combe garden on earlier monastic site: early terraces; sunken lawn; flagged courtyard; stone seat and trough; iron pump; statue of young orphan woman; early garden wall with finials; mature trees and Amalancia walk.

House (LBII) late C15, altered c1700, extended C18, altered c1800, restored c1970-1980. Gothic garden building (LBII) late C18 – early C19, restored 1970s, battlements added.

Olveston Court, Olveston, ST 598 871, 3a, SMR 11069.

Olveston Conservation Area.

Remains of C15 fortified manor house site which included separate property now known as the Bee Garden with bee-boles in stone garden walls.

Olveston Court (LBII*) late C15 gate house with ruins of Court attached, with C19 alterations; The Bee Garden (LBII) C15/C16, former barn, now house; bee garden wall (LBII) C15/C16 with 9 bee-holes.

Over Court, Almondsbury, ST 587 823, 200a, SMR 11070

Modern deer park on remains of C18 parkland on C13 deer park, partly built over: extensive terraces; icehouses, remains of fishponds, later boating lake; blocks of woodland, well-timbered parkland retains its character despite agricultural use since demolition of house in 1981.

House C16, now demolished: archway to Over Court (LBII*) mid C18 in classical style, recently restored; gate piers, wall and gate (LBII) mid C18.

Page Park, Mangotsfield, ST 656 760, 18a, SMR 4274

Municipal park, formerly part of the Hill House estate, given to the public in 1909 by A W Page, and laid out over the next few years. Formal structure, bordered with chiefly Corsican Pine; some flower beds.

Elaborate wooden shelter with clock tower in centre of park; wooden hexagonal bandstand; drinking fountain 1910; fine wrought iron gates 1913; WWI cenotaph. Public open space

Park House, Thornbury, ST 637 901, 0.25a, SMR 11071.

Thornbury Conservation Area.

Early C19 garden: enclosed by battlemented wall with corner turrets; garden building in form of a chapel; stone figure of Time; rockwork tunnel recently demolished. House early C19.

The Rocks, Marshfield, ST 791 705, 80a, SMR 4254.

Fragmented remains of C18 landscape park and C19 romantic rock valley garden: C18 avenue and specimen trees: sheer rock face and heavily wooded deep valley setting to early C19 picturesque garden features; grotto in rock face: waterfall and pond with statue; tunnel and woodland path to ornamental footbridge; long serpentine stone staircase to valley bottom, all now heavily overgrown.

House demolished 1957 and grounds now in divided ownership, principally used for commercial forestry.

Rockwood, Yate, ST 722 840, 20a, SMR 9385.

Remains of small country park, formerly Yate House: partly built over when house restored 1990; mature native and ornamental trees, some with railings; lodge and avenue. Of interest as the home of Dearman Birchall who kept a diary of daily life, published 1984 as Verey D. *The Dairy of a Victorian Squire*.

House (LBII) late C18; apsidal orangery attached.

St Anne's Vicarage, Oldland, ST 668 712, 1a, SMR 11062

Mid-late C19 vicarage garden. Terrace in front of house (tennis or croquet lawn); fine trees and shrubs, some introduced by Canon Ellacombe of Bitton; vegetable garden to rear of house.

Tudor Gothic vicarage.

Sands Court, Dodington, ST 746 789, 5a, SMR 2314.

Garden in woodland setting: mature beech and Scot pine and other specimens; plain C18 house converted to use as Dower House by Codrington family of Dodington House (qv) by addition of striking garden front enlivened by central tower with ogee roof, balustrade porch, lancet windows and pointed arch fanlight in picturesque style. Garden enclosed by 3m wall with central arch gateway surmounted by stone dragon from the Codrington crest. House (LBII) C18, altered and extended C19; garden wall and archway (LBII) late C18 – early C19.

Severn View, Thornbury, ST 656 892, 1a, SMR 11073.

Plantsman's garden on old market garden site: large collection of alpine houses and frames, raised beds, rock walls and peat beds: shrubs and herbaceous borders.

Siston Court, Siston, ST 686 754, 7a, SMR 4215.

Siston Conservation Area

C16 manor house; estate owned by the Trotman family from Charles I's reign to 1857. Kip depicted formal gardens in 1712, but of these little remains; now chiefly lawns and parkland with mature clumps; substantial ha-ha; pond in park; lime avenue from lodge.

Siston Court (LBI) late C16, built by the Dennys family; Lodge and Gatehouse, pair of ogee-roofed octagons (LBII), designed by Sanderson Miller.

Stanshawes Court Hotel, Yate. ST 715 818. 8a. SMR11074

C19 pleasure grounds: now part hotel, part public park known as Kingsgate Park: coachhouse; crinkle-crankle wall; ha-ha; lodge; remains of Victorian planting, fine specimen trees, shrubbery; modern planting; lake. House mid to late C19.

Stoke Park Hospital, Stoke Gifford, part Bristol. ST 624 773. 300a SMR 4241.

English Heritage Register grade II*.

Stapleton and Frome Valley Conservation Area.

C18 landscape park on C16 park on medieval site, by Thomas Wright for Norborne Berkeley, Lord Botetourt: formal gardens depicted 1712 by Kip altered and extended by Wright 1740s-1780s; earlier coppices redesigned as ornamental woodland gardens with serpentine walks linked by stone tunnels by Wright 1749-1764, now overgrown. Many garden buildings by Wright; Bladud's Cell, a root-house (1749); Sands Gate Lodge (1762), all gone; Duchess Pond, a 3a ornamental lake (1768) infilled 1968 for M.32 Parkway. Dower House, formerly Stoke Park House, (LBLL*) c1563 remodelled by Wright for N. Berkeley 1749-52 and 1760-64; terrace and balustrade (LB II) C16; orangery (LB II) c1756, restored 1987; obelisk (LB II) 1762; Duchess Gateway(LB II) 1762, formerly Sands Gate, undergoing restoration1991; two stone tunnels (LB II); cold bath (LB II); all by Wright for N. Berkeley; anti-aircraft gun and camp site (Ancient Monument) 1939-42.

Stoke Park is currently redundant hospital land.

Public Access by network of public footpaths.

Thornbury Castle, Thornbury. ST 634 907. 5a SMR 4214

English Heritage register grade II.

Thornbury Conservation Area.

Remains of elaborate enclosed Tudor garden on pre-Conquest site: formal planting from time of Henry VIII; C16 bee-boles; C18 ha-ha; specimen cedars and sequoia; yew topiary hedges and arbour; lawns and flowerbeds enclosed by castellated walls; Armillary sundial' recent vineyard.

Castle (LB I) 1508-21 for the Duke of Buckingham, restored 1850 by Anthony Salvin. Now a hotel and restaurant.

Tockington Manor, Olveston. ST 612 866. 28a SMR 4366.

Tockington Conservation Area.

Garden on earlier site; C19 arboretum with rare specimens, undergoing restoration and replanting; derelict icehouse; walled kitchen garden; C19 boating pond now formal lily pond; 2 ha-has; steps, piers and urns.

House (LB II) C16, C18 & C20.

Now a school.

Tormarton Court, Tormarton. ST 765 787. 10a SMR 3580.

Tormarton Conservation Area.

C20 garden on former rectory glebelands, C16: walled garden; orchard.

House (LB II) C16, former rectory, enlarged 1812 for Somerset family; stable (LB II) 1812; barn and walls (LB II) 1780.

Tortworth Park, Tortworth. St 694 924. 300a. SMR 1582

English Heritage Register grade II.

C19 landscape park, 1843 onwards, for Earl of Ducie, on site of C15 deer park, now the deer park is elsewhere: terraced gardens, domed conservatory; walled kitchen garden; well wooded with wide range of varieties, many exotic, huge ornamental pears, Tortworth

chestnut, laburnum and wisteria arch; 10078 arboretum noted for its American oaks, hickorys, monkey-puzzles, rare exotics and unique specimens; lake with boat-house, cascade and ornamental conifers.

House (LB II*) 1850 by Samuel Teulon for the 2nd Earl of Ducie, gutted by fire December 1990; offices, stableblock, coach-houses and enclosing walls (LBII) c1850 Teulon; boathouse (LB II) c1850 by Teulon.

House recently a hostel for homeless men; part of park is Leyhill Prison Officer Training School, part Earl of Ducie's estate.

Tracy Park, Doynton. ST 713 718. 221a SMR 4315.

C19 landscape park on C17 park: walled garden around ornamental fountain and pond; huge gate piers; knot garden enclosed by balustrade; ha-ha; ornamental streams with pools; parkland trees; recent planting; historic landscape damaged and obscured by earthworks for golf course.

House (LB II) C17, altered early C19; walled garden (LB II) late C18/C19. Now golf course and country club.

Upton Cheyney Manor, Upton Cheyney, St 692 699, 2a, SMR 4357

Upton Cheyney Conservation Area

Plantsman's garden, created C19-20 on exposed site, but virtue of extensive shelter belts; upper and lower lawns, terrace, stone steps, pond and seat; early C20 summerhouse; fine specimen trees and shrub borders.

House (LBII) mid-late C17.

Warmley House, Siston, ST668 728, 5a, SMR 4252

English Heritage Register Grade II

Pleasure grounds around Palladian mansion of William Campion. Quaker industrialist, 1750s-69. History and design of ornamental layout bound up with Champion's adjacent cooper works. Fragmentary but extensive remains: Echo Pond, walks, boathouse (lake now caravan park), mount.

House (LBII) 1750s; grotto (LBII), gigantic statue of Neptune (LBII), icehouse (LBII), summerhouse (LBII), all 1750s-69.

Westover House, Bitton, ST 678 698, 2a, SMR 11064

Garden enclosed by high rubble wall; contains several fine specimen trees. House (LBII) late C18; garden walls (LBII).

Westwing School, Thornbury. ST 639 899. 3a. SMR 4374.

Semi-formal C19 garden remnant of extensive mid C17 estate: lawns with ha-has; C17 garden chapel; battlemented walled vinery with archway and glass-houses; walled kitchen garden; walled sunken garden; formal garden with steps and stone sphinxes, 1840, in Coade Stone produced by Coade 7 Sealy of Lambeth; formal ponds; many large specimen trees, ancient yews.

House (LB II) mid C17, formerly Kyneton House, extended and altered late C19.

Whiteshill House, Winterbourne. ST 645 793. 6a. SMR 3474

Terrace garden leading to naturalistic valley garden, from 1904 by Dr. Francis Crossman; terraces formerly contained collection of rock plants; valley garden straddling Bradley Brook; large specimens of sequoia, pines, cherries, almonds, acacias, tree cotoneaster, bamboos rhododendrons, many unusual varieties; extensive collection of spring-flowering bulbs. A well known showpiece pre-1939 with much surviving in neglected condition. House C18, extended after 1856.

Wick Court, Wick and Abson. ST 701 728. 2.5a. SMR 4385.

Remnant of C17 formal garden: remains of sunken parterre; summer-house; orchard; yew topiary hedging; walled kitchen garden; ha-ha. House (LB II*) late C17 for the Haines family.

Winterbourne House, Winterbourne. ST 649 808. 10a. SMR 4371. C18 parkland on an earlier site: prospect mound and gazebo; ha-ha; duck pond. House (LB II) C16, remodelled C18; gazebo (LB II) c18.

Woodhouse, Alveston. ST 614 853. 1.5a. SMR 11076

Remains of Victorian garden: mature cypresses, oak, holm oak and shrubs; terraced lawns with steps; battlemented yew hedge; formerly with adjoining park, now partly built over. House 1858, Victorian Gothic, now two dwellings.