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## PRESS RELEASE - KEEP BRITAIN TIDY NEWS RELEASE WITH CIRENCESTER TOWN COUNCIL

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### ST. MICHAEL'S PARK, CIRENCESTER IS RECOGNISED AS ONE OF THE UK'S VERY BEST GREEN SPACES!

St. Michael's Park in Cirencester has been recognised by the Green Flag Award Scheme as one of the very best in the Britain.

The park is among a record-breaking 1,883 UK parks and green spaces that will today receive a prestigious Green Flag Award – the mark of a quality park or green space.

This international award, now into its third decade, is a sign to the public that the space boasts the highest possible environmental standards, is beautifully maintained and has excellent visitor facilities.

St. Michael's Park is located in the centre of Cirencester and offers a range of facilities including tennis, crazy golf, croquet, boule, play areas, BBQ's, toilets and a café.

Councillor Lichnowski, Lead Member for Estate Services at Cirencester Town Council said: "We are absolutely delighted to receive a Green Flag Award for the first time. We know how much quality green spaces matter to residents and visitors, and this award celebrates the dedication that goes into maintaining St Michael's Park to such a high standard. The whole team have worked really hard to make St. Michael's Park such a popular place."

International Green Flag Award scheme manager Paul Todd said: "We are delighted to be celebrating another record-breaking year for the Green Flag Award scheme, with more Green Flags awarded this year than last year. Each flag honours the thousands of staff and volunteers who work tirelessly to maintain the high standards demanded by the Green Flag Award."

Cirencester Town Council is proud to win the Green Flag and once again is celebrating the wonderful green spaces in Cirencester with Love Parks Week, from 27th July to 5th August, with free events across the parks and green spaces. Highlights include football golf, a dog show, art in the park, play day, pond dipping and the teddy bears picnic. The programme is available on the Town Council website [www.cirencester.gov.uk](http://www.cirencester.gov.uk) and from the Local Information Centre at Bingham House, Dyer Street.

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## Notes to Editors

The Green Flag Awards Scheme (<http://greenflagaward.org/>) is run by the environmental charity Keep Britain Tidy, under licence from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, in partnership with Keep Scotland Beautiful, Keep Wales Tidy and Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful.

Keep Britain Tidy is a leading environmental charity. We inspire people to be litter-free, to waste less and to live more. We are run programmes including Eco-Schools, the Green Flag Award for parks and green spaces and the Blue Flag/ Seaside Awards for beaches. To find out more about Keep Britain Tidy, our programmes and campaigns visit [www.keepbritaintidy.org](http://www.keepbritaintidy.org).

Any green space that is accessible to the public is eligible to enter for a Green Flag Award. Awards are given on an annual basis and winners must apply each year to renew their Green Flag Award status. A Green Flag Community Award recognises quality sites managed by voluntary and community groups. Green Heritage Site accreditation is judged on the treatment of the site's historic features and the standard of conservation.

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