



CHARACTER ASSESSMENT PRO FORMA

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Location/Grid Ref: 636070

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Looking: West North West

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Location: Harveys Lane

1 Layout	Small stone lane branching off from the left hand side of Lydney Road before the 'T' junction in the village. Lane heads West.
2 Topography	Flat road rising slightly to 'T' junction with land sloping away to West.
3 Spaces	Harveys Lane leads to a small hamlet of assorted houses and back around to the top of Stag Hill.
4 Roads, Streets, routes	Fronts road from Lydney to 'T' junction.
5 Green and Natural features	High forest stone wall to west of Harveys Lane.
6 Landmarks	'Highview' is a large detached house at the entrance to Harveys Lane which belonged to FW Harvey the famous poet.
7 Buildings and details	Highview is a large detached forest stone house with slate roof and red brick garage and high stone walls to roadside. Other houses in Harveys Lane vary from large detached houses to bungalows.
8 Streetscape	Services to pole.
9 Land Use	Private properties.
10 Views	Extensive views to West over forest and beyond.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Highview, Harveys Lane, Yorkley. GL15 4SZ

In 1927 Fredrick William Harvey and his wife Sarah Ann Harvey purchased High View, the property was previously known as Yorkley Villa.

FW Harvey, as well as being a Solicitor by profession, was also a gifted Poet, a Soldier in World War I decorated with Distinguished Conduct Medal for gallantry whilst serving in the 5th Battalion of the Gloucestershire Regiment.

He was also a Broadcaster with the BBC. Much of Harvey's best know works such as 'Ducks 'were written whilst he was held as a prisoner of war in Belgium, and as such he was recognised as a 'War Poet.'

In 1980 a service of dedication was held in Gloucester Cathedral when a tablet to the memory of FW Harvey was unveiled bearing a quotation from his work.

Fredrick William Harvey D.C.M.
Soldier and Poet of Gloucestershire
1888-1957

'He loved the vision of this world and found it good.'

FWH's later works such as 'To Old Comrades, A Forest Offering' were dedicated to people of the Forest of Dean particularly the men who served as he did in World War I. These works were created after he and his wife Sarah Ann and children Patrick and Eileen moved to High View.

High View remains in the family where Harvey's daughter Eileen and granddaughter Elaine still reside.

In 2005 the lane adjacent to Highway was renamed Harveys Lane in recognition of FWH, a fitting tribute to a man who loved The Forest of Dean and its people.

Prior to 1927, High View was owned by Mr Edwin Sims who sold off land from the High View estate to enable Yorkley Primary School to be built where Mr Sims later became Head Master.