



We Are HCR Cheltenham

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163 staff based in our Cheltenham office



£92,000,000

largest deal we completed in the last 12 months



No.1 Corporate team, in the South West region:
Experian M&A report for 2023



Raised over **£16,000** for charity in 2023



Award-winning

- Advisory Firm of the Year, Business Leader South West Awards
- Legal Advisor of the Year – to Deal-Making, EducationInvestor
- Legal 500 Hall of Fame recognition



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We Care...

Our connection to the Gloucestershire region remains stronger than ever, with our Cheltenham office continuing to support local causes, partner regional organisations, and give back to our community in which we live and work.

Krissy Scott
Head of Cheltenham Office

Fundraising

We are long-term supporters of **The Nelson Trust**, a charity who provide residential rehabilitation treatment and women's community services across Gloucestershire and the South West. Having formed a close partnership with them, we have jointly organised countless fundraising events, donation drives, supported with volunteers and provided use of our facilities. The Nelson Trust also run The Sober Parrot, a not-for-profit café and catering company. Not only do they provide us with an excellent service and delicious food for many of our internal office events and meetings, but it is a cost-neutral and simple way of supporting the charity.

The Pied Piper Appeal is the leading children's charity in Gloucestershire with a mission to make a difference to the lives of sick and disabled children in the county. We thoroughly enjoy partnering with the Pied Piper Appeal and, in addition to our own events, regularly support their fundraising initiatives such as the Classic Cars, Trucks and Gardens event at Highnam Court, golf days and annual ball.





A Strong Sporting Spirit

The community and sporting spirit in Cheltenham is strong! Here's just some of the sporting activities we have hosted, taken part in, or sponsored.

We hosted an afternoon of fun, fundraising and fierce competition at our **Charity Netball Tournament** raising **£2,754** for our chosen charities. The event was held at Dean Close School in Cheltenham with 14 teams from various local organisations coming together to battle it out to be crowned champions, whilst raising money. The event also featured a delicious buffet from The Sober Parrot, and a prize raffle draw.

We were the main sponsors of the **Sandford Parks Lido Junior Aquathlon and Triathlon**. The event is open to children aged 8 to 16 with all fundraising proceeds shared between registered charities Sandford Lido Ltd and Pied Piper Appeal. As well as supporting the delivery of the event with volunteers, we provided a well-earned reward to all competitors in the form of a drawstring backpack containing a t-shirt, medal, sweets and specially selected gifts.

Inspiring Discussion

We host an annual **International Women's Day event**, inviting a variety of inspirational local speakers to join a panel discussion. The event is well attended by representatives from across the county. In addition to the talk, our guests generously gift physical or monetary donations to support our chosen charities.



Getting Quizzical

Ever wondered how we like to catch up with our neighbouring businesses and unwind after a busy day at work? With a charity quiz of course!

Our well-attended 2023 quizzes raised **£7,343** and provided us with the perfect opportunity to keep in touch with local companies. Whilst they may not be as physical as our sporting events they're every bit as competitive!



Community Connections

Our deep roots in the local community means giving back is important to us. A project that is close to the heart of many of us at HCR Cheltenham is our volunteer work at **Cheltenham Hospital Oncology Garden**. We have a weekly roster of volunteers throughout the year who are working to

improve and maintain the garden, giving countless hours of in-person, hands on support. We are committed to bringing the garden back to life, providing a valued space for patients and their families to relax when they need it the most.



We strive to make our town the best it can be, therefore we demonstrate our care by volunteering for the **Cheltenham BID and Civic Society** 'Tidy the Town' day. Working alongside other local businesses, we take pride in completing a range of tasks to improve the streets of Cheltenham.

Steven Murray, Partner and Head of IP and Technology Disputes, will from the beginning of April 2024 be representing business interests more widely when he becomes President of the **Cheltenham Chamber of Commerce**. Steven has been an Honorary Solicitor, advising the Chamber and its members on legal issues, for the last nine years and is delighted to be able to assist the business community further in his new role.

Local Partnerships

Collaboration is at the heart of HCR Cheltenham. We actively seek to partner with local enterprises that share our values and commitment to the local community.

We're passionate about supporting art and creative industries. We are sponsors of the **Everyman Theatre** in Cheltenham which offers a cultural hub for the county as well as artistic, education and outreach work to help people of all ages and abilities engage with the arts.



Technology and Cyber

Hub8 is a co-working space in locations around Cheltenham, dedicated to enabling the growth and development of the flourishing cyber technology ecosystem. You will regularly find a member of our legal team present in Hub8. The venue not only provides us with a great space to build connections with the local tech community, but also has a fantastic events team. We regularly utilise the venue for client events.

CyNam's independent, Cheltenham-centric platform enables networking, innovation and collaboration for the cyber technology industry, with an aim to establish Cheltenham as the cyber hub of the UK. Our partnership aims to facilitate cyber clusters to share knowledge and add value to cyber and technology innovators.

Members of our team are involved with local non-profit organisation **WiTCH (Women in Tech and Cyber Hub)** to champion, empower, and support women in cyber and tech in order to revolutionise the industry.



Education

Our partnership with **Hartpury University and Hartpury College** supports the next generation of talent in the community from farming to sport. Our passion for people and the innovative, high-performing and supportive environment that Hartpury offers its students, giving them the best possible experience, perfectly aligns with our values.

We work with the **University of Gloucestershire** as legal advisors on a number of their major development projects, including the acquisition of the former

Debenhams store in Gloucester. We also extend our support to the next generation of legal talent. We sponsor the 'Best overall law student' at their annual prize-giving ceremony, which we are always delighted to attend to present the winner with their award.

Our relationship with **Gloucestershire College** has spanned many years, having advised them in multiple capacities, from property and construction to education and employment. We are also regularly invited to present their annual staff awards.

Additional fundraising events we support or take part in include:

- CCP's Big Sleep Out at Brickhampton Golf Course
- Cheltenham Open Door
- Trek26 Cotswolds for Alzheimer's Society
- Movember
- Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day
- Wear It Pink for Breast Cancer Now



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