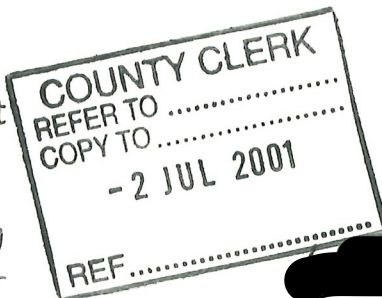


Byways & Bridleways Trust



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Your ref: HMTM/LL 6029

Dear Sir,

re: RP 8 Caverswall

28th June 2001

Ack 6/7/01

Thank you for your letter of the 26th instant: I support the Caverswall Parish Council's claim for a Modification Order, which should be to Byway.

Although the extract from 'The Spirit of the Place' provides an interesting diversion, I believe it is neither accurate nor relevant, as far as this route, or indeed RP 9 Caverswall, is concerned: it is well established that the A34/A50 is the route from Chesterton (Holditch) via Trent Vale to Rochester.

Be that as it may, vehicular rights exist over RP 8 Caverswall, which fact was recognised by Mr. J.W. Vernon, the Inspector who held the Cheddle Public Inquiry on the 4th and 5th April 1978 and whose report was submitted to the Minister on 21st July 1978, and accepted by him, such decision being notified on 15th February 1980.

No doubt your Department has these documents on file (probably under reference 25/cst/19/2/14) but in case they are not readily to hand, I enclose:-

- 1 Copy relevant extracts from the Inspector's report;
- 2 Copy decision letter from the DOEAT, dated 15/2/80.

I confirm that, on a day between 1/12/77 and 21/12/77, I inspected the 1910 Record Plans at the Stafford office of the District Valuer and accurately related the result of my findings. I have also ridden RPS Caverswall by motorcycle for a period in excess of 20 years, despite the reclassification to TP under the provisions of the abominable Circular 123/77, having been advised by leading Counsel that such reclassification did not extinguish proved vehicular rights.

If I can be of further assistance, doubtless you will let me know.

Yours faithfully,



M. Lowrey