

Staffordshire

County Council

PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY EVIDENCE FORM

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Name of witness (Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms).....DEBRA TURNER.....
(Block Capitals please)

Address.....
(Block Capital please)

Telephone No.

Date of Birth..... Occupation.....
(If retired, what was previous occupation)

Please attach a map showing the claimed way marked in red, signed by yourself.

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Description of claimed way:- (include grid references if known)

From ASI HATTON WATERWORKS -

To ROAD NEXT TO NURSERY COMMON ROAD.

Please take time to answer the questions carefully and in full

1. (a) How many years have you known the way?SIX YEARS.....
(b) Does the way have a popular name?COMMON LANE.....
(c) Have you personally used the above way? *YES/~~NO~~
(d) Did you only use part of the way? *~~YES~~/NO

Please do not use vague terms such as "often".

- (e) During which years have you used the way? From 2000.... To PRESENT.....
(f) Where were you going from/to? LOCAL ROUTE FROM HOME AND CRANBERRY
(g) For what purpose? (eg work, pleasure)PLEASURE.....
(h) How many times a year? (eg daily, weekly, seasonal) SEVERAL TIMES A WEEK
(i) By what means? (eg on foot, horseback, motor vehicle etc) FOOT, HORSEBACK AND CYCLE
(j) Is, or was, the way a short cut for you?NO.....
(k) If so why?

(l) Please show on the attached plan the route of the way you have used. ✓
If you have only used part of the way please mark or indicate the part used.

- (m) Do you still use the way?YES.....
(n) If not why not?

2. When using the path where did you live?AS OVERLEAF.....

If at different places please provide details and years.

3. (a) How wide is the way?APPROX 25 FEET.....

(b) Is it the same width throughout its length? YES

4. If you have ridden a horse on the way - YES

(a) Where did you keep the horse?CRANBERRY.....

(b) Where did you start and finish your ride?CRANBERRY.....

(c) Were you ever riding with the hunt when you used the way?NO.....

5. (a) When using the way did you ever see any other person driving motor or horse-drawn vehicles on the way?

*YES/~~NO~~

(b) If YES, how often and what type of vehicle were they using? MOST TIMES
FARM TRAFFIC

(c) Have you ever driven, or been a passenger in, a motor or horse drawn vehicle on the way?

*~~YES~~/NO

(d) If YES to (c),

(i) How often was this?

(ii) What type of vehicle were you in?

(iii) For what purpose was it being used?

6. (a) Has the way always been on the same route?

*YES/~~NO~~

(b) If NO, please describe the original route, state when the way was diverted and show details on a plan.

(c) Is the way a clearly defined track or path which a stranger to the vicinity could follow? YES

(d) Have you always kept to the route of the way between the start and finish, or have you wandered from the route? YES - KEPT TO THE ROUTE

7. (a) Have there, to your knowledge, ever been any stiles on the way?

*YES/~~NO~~

(b) Have there, to your knowledge, ever been any gates on the way

*YES/~~NO~~

(c) If YES, please mark on the attached plan the location of the stiles or gates and state, if known, when they were erected or removed. =

(d) If any gates on the way were ever locked please state, how often, and if known, by whom? PERMANENTLY LOCKED WITH ACCESS GAP TO SIDE

Please mark on the attached plan the locations of the locked gates. X

8. (a) Excluding locked gates, have you ever known of any other obstructions to the way?

*~~YES~~/NO

(b) If YES, state (i) what type of obstruction was this?

(ii) When they were erected or removed?

(c) Please state, if known, who erected the obstructions and show the approximate position of the obstructions on the attached plan.

9. (a) Were you ever an owner or tenant of the land crossed by the way? *~~YES~~/NO

If YES, please give dates.

(b) If you were an owner or tenant did you acknowledge the route as a Public Right of Way? *YES/NO

If YES, please give dates.

(c) When you used the way were you working for any owner or tenant of the land adjoining or crossed by the way? *~~YES~~/NO

(d) If YES to (c),

(i) What was your employment?

(ii) Between what years were you employed?

(e) If you were employed by the owner/tenant

(i) Did you receive any instructions from the owner/tenant as to the use of the way by the public? *YES/NO

(ii) If so, what were your instructions?

(f) Did any relatives of yours ever work for an owner or tenant of land adjoining or crossed by the way? *~~YES~~/NO

If so, what was their relationship to you?

10. (a) Have you ever been stopped or turned back when using the way? *~~YES~~/NO

(b) Do you know, or have you heard of, anyone else having been prevented from using the way? *~~YES~~/NO

(c) If YES to (a) or (b), please give details including dates.

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11. (a) Were you ever told by any owner or tenant of the land crossed by the way, or by anyone in their employment, that the way was not public? *~~YES~~/NO

(b) If YES, please state:

(i) Who told you?

(ii) When you were told?

(iii) What were you told?

12. (a) Have you ever seen any deterrent notices such as "Private", "No Road", "No Thoroughfare" or "Trespassers will be Prosecuted", on or near the way? *YES/NO

(b) If YES, please state what the notices said appropriate date of their display and show their approximate position on the attached plan? *YES/NO

13. (a) Have you ever seen any notices such as "Public Path", or "footpath", or any other similar notice on or near the way? *YES/NO

(b) Have you ever seen any direction signs, finger posts or other indicators on or near the way? *YES/NO

(c) If YES to (a) or (b), please state what the notices or posts said and show their approximate position on the attached plan?

PUBLIC BRIDLE PATH REPLACED BY FOOTPATH SIGNS A FEW YEARS AGO

14. (a) Have you ever been given permission to use the way? *YES/NO
(Whether or not you asked for it)

(b) Have you ever asked permission to use the way? *YES/NO

(c) If YES, who gave you permission?

(d) When were you given permission?

(e) For what purpose were you given permission to use the way?

15. (a) Have you seen other people using the way? *YES/NO

(b) How were they using the way (ie foot, horse)? FOOT, HORSE AND CYCLE

(c) Were they accompanying you? If so, please give details. (ie companions, rambling club, family, etc)? SOMETIMES - COMPANIONS AND SOMETIMES STRANGERS

(d) If they were not accompanying you, were these people known to you? NO STRANGERS

(e) How frequently did you see other people using the way? (ie daily, weekly, seasonal etc). EVERY TIME ROUTE USED

(f) How many other people, approximately, did you see on these occasions? 2-3 PEOPLE AND INDIVIDUALS

(g) Please give any further details of other people's use of the way which you feel may be important.

APPROX 6 OTHER HORSERIDERS AND CYCLISTS USE THIS ROUTE

16. Have you ever been charged a monetary sum for using the path?
If so, by whom?

*~~YES~~/NO

17. (a) Do you have any documentary evidence about the way?

*~~YES~~/NO

(b) If so, in what form is this? ie maps, photos, etc please attach a copy if possible)

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(c) Would you be willing to make the original document available
if necessary?

*YES/NO

18. Can you give any further information about the way (continue on a separate sheet of
paper if necessary).

19. Would you be prepared to give evidence of your use of the way
at a public inquiry or in a court of law, if necessary?

*YES/~~NO~~
YES

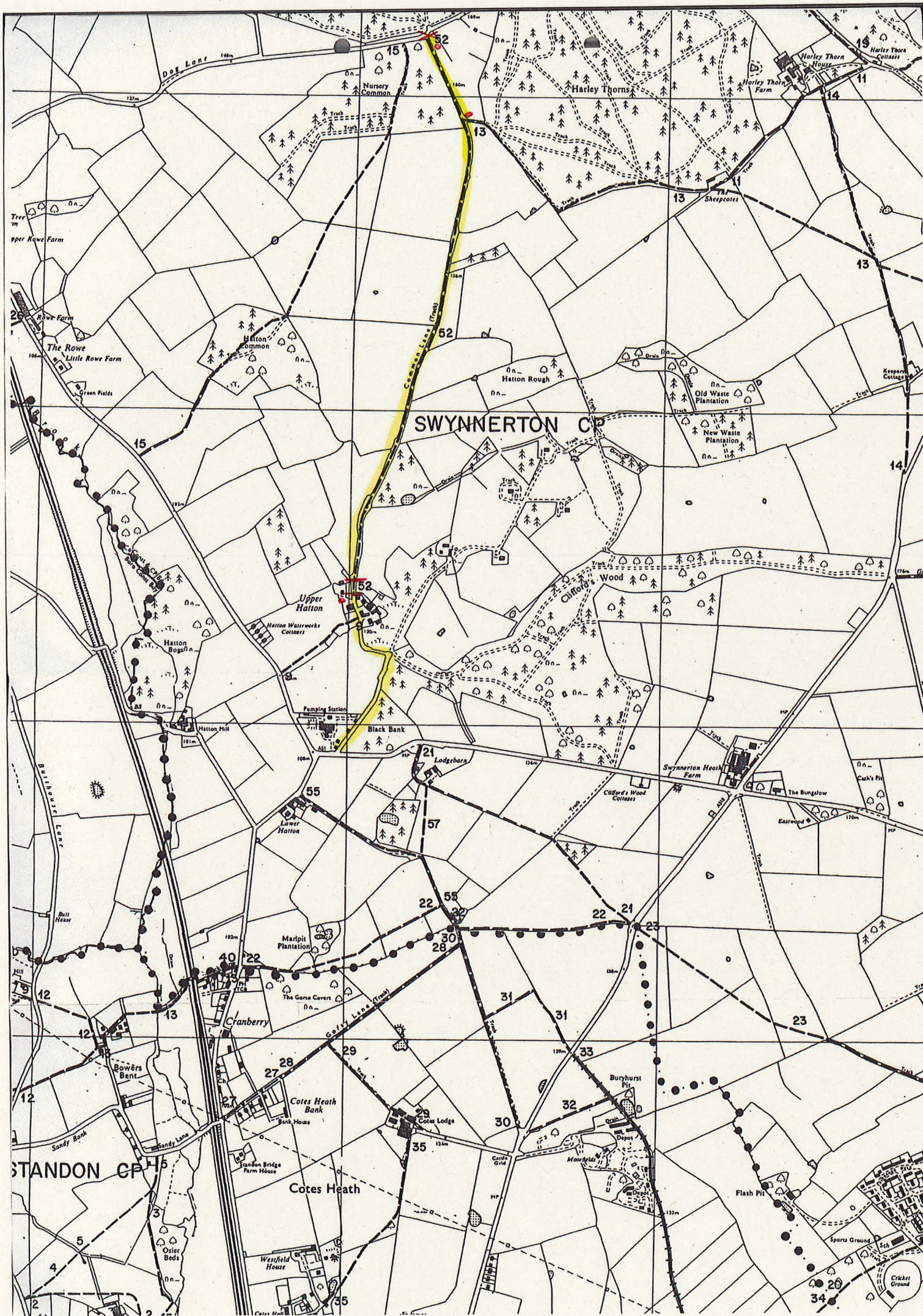
Please note that this form may be available to members of the public including affected
owners or occupiers of the land crossed by the way.

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information I have given to this
statement is true.

Signature:

Person taking this statement (if applicable)

Date: 7/6/04



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Name of witness (Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms)..... NORMA-JEAN RYDER
(Block Capitals please)

Address.....
(Block Capital please)

Telephone No.

Date of Birth

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Description of claimed way:- (include grid references if known)
From

To

Please take time to answer the questions carefully and in full

1. (a) How many years have you known the way? 13 years
(b) Does the way have a popular name? DON'T KNOW
(c) Have you personally used the above way? YES/NO
(d) Did you only use part of the way? *YES/NO

Please do not use vague terms such as "often".

- (e) During which years have you used the way? From 1991 To PRESENT DAY
(f) Where were you going from/to? BUTTERTON - WOODS - LOWER HATTUN - BUTTERTON
(g) For what purpose? (eg work, pleasure) PLEASURE
(h) How many times a year? (eg daily, weekly, seasonal) 1-2 TIMES MONTH
(i) By what means? (eg on foot, horseback, motor vehicle etc) HORSEBACK
(j) Is, or was, the way a short cut for you? PART OF ROUND TRIP
(k) If so why? CUTS OUT ROAD WORK - SAFER

(l) Please show on the attached plan the route of the way you have used.
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- (m) Do you still use the way? YES
(n) If not why not?

2. When using the path where did you live? 1995 WOLSTANTON
1995 - PRESENT CHESTERTON
If at different places please provide details and years.

3. (a) How wide is the way? TRACK IS VEHICLE WIDTH
(b) Is it the same width throughout its length? NO

4. If you have ridden a horse on the way 1991 BUTTERTON
(a) Where did you keep the horse? VARIOUS PLACES TODAY BALTERLEY
(b) Where did you start and finish your ride? 1991 BUTTERTON - TODAY - TRACK
OFF DDE LANE
(c) Were you ever riding with the hunt when you used the way? NO

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*YES/NO

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(c) Is the way a clearly defined track or path which a stranger to the vicinity could follow? ...YES... HOWEVER THE BRIDLEWAY FINGER POST IS NOW MISSING

(d) Have you always kept to the route of the way between the start and finish, or have you wandered from the route? ...HAVE USED TRACK IS BEFORE TO MAKE DIFFERENT ROUTE BACK THROUGH WOODS

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(c) Were they accompanying you? If so, please give details. (ie companions, rambling club, family, etc)? SOMETIMES FRIENDS & FAMILY

(d) If they were not accompanying you, were these people known to you? NO

(e) How frequently did you see other people using the way? (ie daily, weekly, seasonal etc). EVERY TIME I'VE USED THE WAY

(f) How many other people, approximately, did you see on these occasions? 5

(g) Please give any further details of other people's use of the way which you feel may be important.

16. Have you ever been charged a monetary sum for using the path? *YES/NO
If so, by whom? I have not been charged specifically for using
the path. However I have used the path as part of organised
events by NSBA & NORTH STAFFS HUNT

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Signature: ...

Person taking this statement (if applicable)

Date: 21. 8. 04
