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Public right of way evidence form

IMPORTANT NOTE

The object of this enquiry is simply to reach the truth of the matter, whatever it may be. Witnesses are therefore asked to answer the questions as fully as possible and not to keep back any information, whether for or against the public claim. This is of particular importance if the information is to be of real value in establishing the status of the way.

Name of witness

Address

Date of birth

Occupation

Description of path

From LEEK

To BUXTON

Grid reference 0141634

Grid reference 0041622

Believed status of path (e.g. footpath) Old Leek to Buxton road

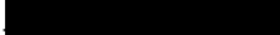
If necessary, continue your answers on an additional sheet of paper

1. (a) Have you known the above way as public?	Yes
(b) If so, for how many years?	27 years
2. How wide is the way?	10 ft
3. Have you used the above way?	Yes
If so: (a) During which years?	1974 - 1980
(b) Where were you going to and from?	From the front through to the back of Roads
(c) For what purpose?	Hacking for pleasure
(d) How many times a year?	3 or 4 times on a weekly basis
(e) By what means (e.g. on foot, on horseback, etc)?	horseback
4. (a) Has the way always run over the same route, or has it been at all diverted?	Yes
4. (b) If it has been diverted, give details and dates.	
5. Have there to your knowledge ever been on the way:	
(a) any stiles or gates, or	No
(b) any notices?	No
If so, state (with details of location) where the stiles or gates or notices stood, and what was said on the notices.	

6. If you were working for any owner or occupier of land crossed by the way at the time when you used it, or were then a tenant of any such owner, give particulars and dates. If not, write "No".	No
7. If so, did you ever receive any instructions from him as to the use of the way by public. If so, what were they?	—
8. Have you ever been stopped or turned back when using this way, or do you know or have you heard of anyone else having been interfered with? If so, state when the interference took place and give particulars.	No
9. 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? If so, state when and give particulars and dates.	No
10. Have you ever known any locked gates or other obstruction to the way? If so, state when and give particulars.	Barbed wire fence across road
11. Have you ever seen notices such as "Private", "No Road", "No Thoroughfare" or "Trespassers will be Prosecuted", on or near the way? If so, what did the notices say?	No
12. Have you ever been given permission to use the way?	Never needed permission as it was always known as a right of way
13. Can you give any further particulars?	

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief the facts that I have stated are true.

I am/am not willing to attend a hearing, public inquiry or court to give evidence on this matter, if this should prove to be necessary.

Signature 

Person taking this statement

Date 22-6-01