

Staffordshire

County Council

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 status 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 (Block Capitals please)

Address ... (Block Capitals please)

Telephone No

Date of Birth

Please attach a map showing the claimed way marked in red.

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

To

*Please delete as appropriate

Please take time to answer the questions carefully and in full.

1. (a) How many years have you known the way?
(b) Does the way have a popular name?

55 YEARS

- (c) Have you personally used the above way?
(d) Did you only use part of the way?

*YES/NO

*YES/NO

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

- (e) During which years have you used the way?

1947 TO 1951

1970 TO 1982

- (f) Where were you going from/to?

TO VISIT NEIGHBOURS AND WALKS ON ROADS

- (g) For what purpose? (e.g. work, pleasure)

GROUSE BEATING 1947-1951

- (h) How many times a year? (e.g. daily, weekly, seasonal)

WORK 1975 TO 1982

SOMETIMES DAILY SOMETIMES SEASONAL

- (i) By what means? (e.g. on foot, horseback, motor vehicle etc)

PART MOTOR VEHICLE PART ON FOOT

- (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? I STILL VISIT THE AREA AS I HAVE FRIENDS AND RELATIONS I WALK THE TRACK LAST YEAR

- (n) If not why not? AND NOTICED AT ONE POINT A FENCE HAD BEEN ERECTED OVER TRACK

1940 TO 1959. FAIRTHORNS FARM
BRANDSIDE, NR. BUXTON

2. When using the path where did you live?

ELEVY STEPS, UPPER HURANE
NR. LEEK. 1972 TO 1982

If at different places please provide details and years.

LOWER ROACH, END COTTAGE
MERRBROOK NR. LEEK
1982 TO 1984

3. (a) How wide is the way?

VARIOUS WIDTHS. MOSTLY I WOULD SAY
3 METRES WIDE, BUT POSSIBLY NARROWER

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

OVER END OF ROACHES AS
I WAS TOLD BY MY LATE GRANDFATHER IT WAS
ORIGINALLY A PACK HORSE TRACK

4. If you have ridden a horse on the way

- (a) Where did you keep the horse?

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

- (c) Were you ever riding with the hunt when you used the way?

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 so, how often and what type of vehicle were they using?

LORRIES CARS VANS HORSES
MAINLY PART OF THE WAY

- (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?

WHEN I LIVED IN AREA. OFTEN
AS THE OWNER HEN, COW WORKED FOR ME. A TIMES

- (ii) What type of vehicle were you in?

ALSO I DID BUILDING WORKS TO A
MINI PICK UP TRUCK

- (iii) For what purpose was it being used?

TAKE MATERIALS

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

*YES/NO

- (b) If not, 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?

ALWAYS KEPT TO
TRACK. BUT, SOMETIMES
TOOK OTHER PATHS WHICH
JOINED IT

7. (a) Have there, to your knowledge, ever been any stiles or gates on the way? *YES/NO

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

(c) If any gates on the way were ever locked please state, how often, and if known, by whom?

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

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8. (a) Have you ever known of, excluding locked gates, any other obstructions to the way? *YES/NO

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

POST. WIRE FENCE

(ii) When they were erected or removed?

POSSIBLE. IN. LAST 2 YEARS

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

NOT. KNOWN

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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?

BUILDER

(ii) Between what years were you employed?

1975. To. 1982

(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? If so, what was their relationship to you?

*YES/NO

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

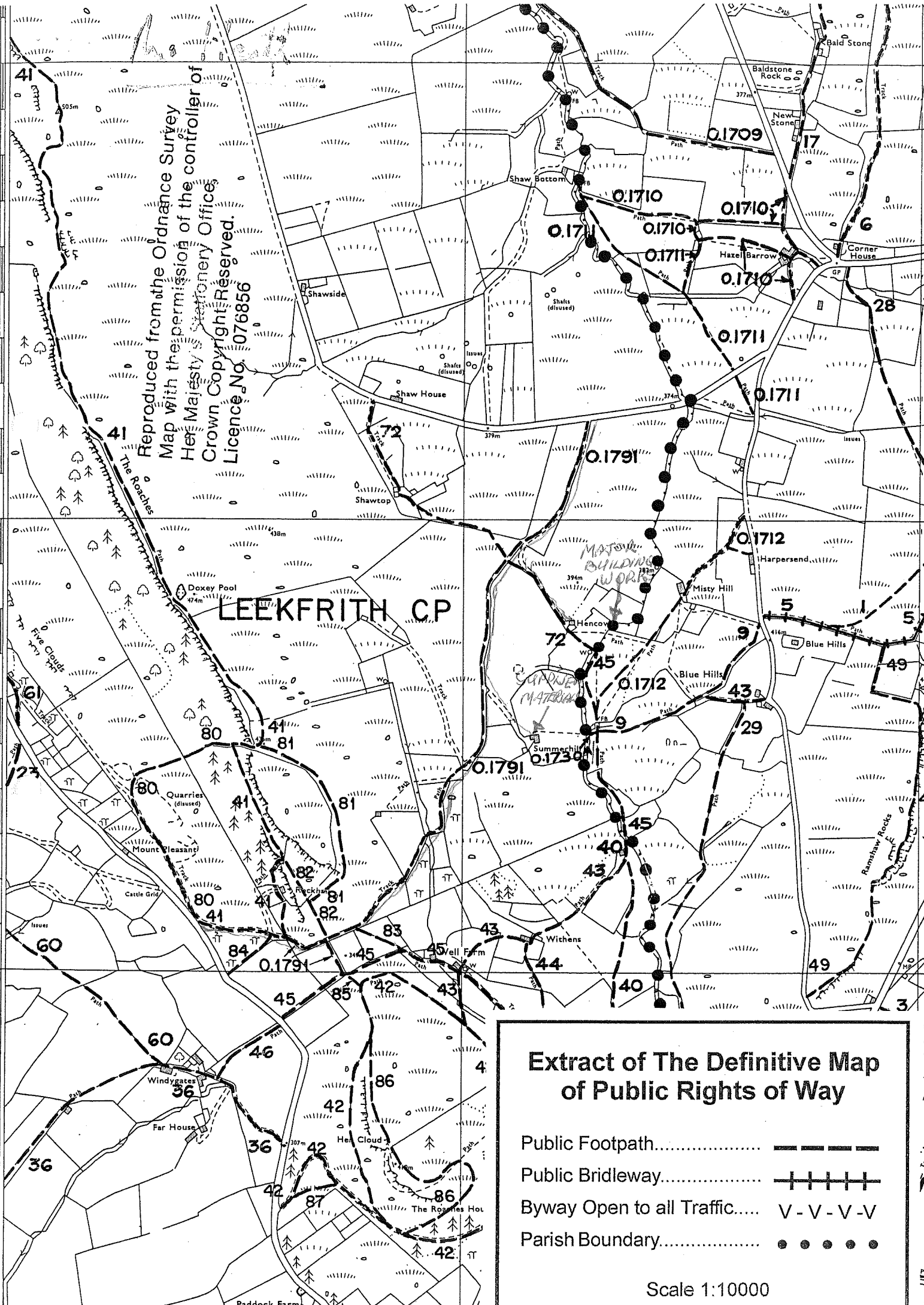
Please note that this form will be open to members of the public including affected owners or occupiers of the land crossed by the way.

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

Sign  ..

Person taking this statement (if applicable).....

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Extract of The Definitive Map of Public Rights of Way

Public Footpath.....	----
Public Bridleway.....	++++
Byway Open to all Traffic.....	V-V-V-V
Parish Boundary.....

Scale 1:10000

