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Dear Laura

S53 application Alleged footpath from Wadden Lane to old A518, Weston Rights of way.

We are pleased to note that the above application has a recommendation to refuse.

Since we replied to your original questionnaire in 1999, a number of facts have changed which we consider you may need to be aware of.

1. The land which was owned by the Ministry of Defence and is the site of the observation post, was purchased in 1992 by the other consultee from whom we purchased it in about 2016. We now own the whole of the route of the proposed footpath.
2. Nobody has walked the proposed footpath in the over 40 years since we purchased the farm in 1982. There is no access through the boundary hedge from Wadden Lane into our land.
3. Badgers have created a very large sett at the top of the escarpment which forms part of the proposed route.
4. We would concur that there is no material evidence that a footpath has ever existed along the proposed route.

Tours Sincerely

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