

Witness Statement in support of

Town Green Application for Stoke Lodge Parklands

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I moved into the above address in 1973 and since then my wife and I have enjoyed this close amenity on a frequent basis. Firstly with our own children and in the past two years with our three grandchildren, we have used the Stoke Lodge field for recreation – ball-games, active play, walking and just enjoying the natural beauty of the area.

We have appreciated the advantage of being able to reach a delightful country area (free from traffic) after a very short walk from home.

We always walk to the field as it is only a short distance and necessitates crossing only one road. We always use the access from Cheney Road.

To take the children to other park areas requires the use of a car.

We have never been denied access.

My wife and I have used the educational opportunities provided by the Stoke Lodge Community Education Service for more than 10 years studying Art and Languages. Crossing the parkland is a very convenient way to reach the house on foot.

I believe that the facts stated in this witness statement are true.

Signed 

date 5.2.2011.

Save Stoke Lodge Parkland - Application for Town Green Registration - Evidence Questionnaire

NAME of Witness JOHN DAVID HULLYER

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1	Your address when you used the land being claimed as "Town Green" and edged in red on Map "A"?	50 BELL BARN RD STOKE BISHOP BSS ODE
2	Your address when you knew the land edged in red on Map "A" was being used by the local inhabitants? If different from 1 above?	50 BELL BARN RD
3	Did you sign the map "A" attached to confirm your understanding of the extent of The Land being claimed? As "Town Green" edged in Red? And relates to the evidence	YES
4	Confirm your agreement that the Locality or Neighbourhood is the Political Ward of Stoke Bishop plus parts of Westbury on Trym, Sea Mills and Coombe Dingle. Map "B"	YES
5	Please confirm that you have marked the location of your house on Map "B" with an X.	YES
6	By what name, if any, is The Land edged in red on Map "A" known?	Stoke Lodge field
7	Has the land, referred to in question 6, ever been known by any other name? If so what?	NO
8	For how many years have you known about the Land edged in red on Map "A"?	37 YEARS
9	Between which years did you use the Land edged in red on Map "A"?	1973 - PRESENT
10	Do you consider yourself to be a local inhabitant in respect of the Land edged in red on Map "A"?	YES
11	During the time you have used the Land edged in red on Map "A", has the general pattern of use remained basically the same?	YES

12	<p>What recognisable facilities are available to the local inhabitants of your locality? Please tick all boxes that apply and add any other additional matters not covered</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="87 22 375 2004"> <tr> <td data-bbox="87 22 167 2004">Local infants school</td> <td data-bbox="167 22 247 2004">✓</td> <td data-bbox="247 22 327 2004">Community centre</td> <td data-bbox="327 22 375 2004">✓</td> <td data-bbox="375 22 454 2004">Community activities</td> <td data-bbox="454 22 534 2004">✓</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="87 22 167 2004">Local junior school</td> <td data-bbox="167 22 247 2004">✓</td> <td data-bbox="247 22 327 2004">Sports facility</td> <td data-bbox="327 22 375 2004">✓</td> <td data-bbox="375 22 454 2004">A central feature</td> <td data-bbox="454 22 534 2004"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="87 22 167 2004">Local secondary school</td> <td data-bbox="167 22 247 2004">x</td> <td data-bbox="247 22 327 2004">Swimming pool</td> <td data-bbox="327 22 375 2004">x</td> <td data-bbox="375 22 454 2004">Scout hut</td> <td data-bbox="454 22 534 2004">✓</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="87 22 167 2004">Residents association</td> <td data-bbox="167 22 247 2004">✓</td> <td data-bbox="247 22 327 2004">Library</td> <td data-bbox="327 22 375 2004">✓</td> <td data-bbox="375 22 454 2004">other</td> <td data-bbox="454 22 534 2004"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="87 22 167 2004">Neighbourhood watch</td> <td data-bbox="167 22 247 2004">✓</td> <td data-bbox="247 22 327 2004">Alt green space within easy walking</td> <td data-bbox="327 22 375 2004">x</td> <td data-bbox="375 22 454 2004">other</td> <td data-bbox="454 22 534 2004"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="87 22 167 2004">Neighbourhood Partnership</td> <td data-bbox="167 22 247 2004">✓</td> <td data-bbox="247 22 327 2004">Area police</td> <td data-bbox="327 22 375 2004"></td> <td data-bbox="375 22 454 2004">other</td> <td data-bbox="454 22 534 2004"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="87 22 167 2004">Local place of worship</td> <td data-bbox="167 22 247 2004">✓</td> <td data-bbox="247 22 327 2004">Doctors surgery</td> <td data-bbox="327 22 375 2004">✓</td> <td data-bbox="375 22 454 2004">other</td> <td data-bbox="454 22 534 2004"></td> </tr> </table>		Local infants school	✓	Community centre	✓	Community activities	✓	Local junior school	✓	Sports facility	✓	A central feature		Local secondary school	x	Swimming pool	x	Scout hut	✓	Residents association	✓	Library	✓	other		Neighbourhood watch	✓	Alt green space within easy walking	x	other		Neighbourhood Partnership	✓	Area police		other		Local place of worship	✓	Doctors surgery	✓	other	
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13	To your knowledge are there any public paths crossing the Land edged in red on Map "A"?		NO																																									
14	How do you gain access to the Land edged in red on Map "A"?		VIA CHENEY ROAD																																									
15	How do you travel to and from the Land edged in red on Map "A"?		WALKING																																									
16	Why do you go on to the Land edged in red on Map "A"?		THROUGH OPENING																																									
17	How often do/did you use the Land edged in red on Map "A" (apart from use of any public paths on the Land)		ONCE A WEEK																																									
18	What activities do/did you take part in on the Land edged red on Map "A"?		WALKING GAMES WITH CHILDREN																																									
19	Does your immediate family use the Land edged in red on Map "A"?		YES																																									
20	If so, for what?		GAMES & WALKING																																									
21	Do you know of any community activities that take place or have taken place on the Land edged in red on Map "A"?		FOOTBALL, BROWNIES,																																									
22	If so please list them and state when and for how long they have taken place?		SEE ABOVE																																									
23	Do/did you participate in any of them?		NO																																									

