

Witness statement in respect of Town Green application for Stoke Lodge

I have lived in this house since July 1983 and my family and I have enjoyed free and uncontested access to the parkland either by way of the entrance in Cheyne Road or through a gate between our garden and the field.

The gate was in existence when we moved here and I believe that, from looking at its condition, it had been in place for many years.

During the time that we have lived here I am aware that the field has been used for many activities either on an organised or casual basis. My family used it regularly when my daughters lived at home and my wife and I continue to use it. In particular we enjoy the peaceful atmosphere as do many other users.

This is an area of recreation which should remain available to all as it is enjoyed by many for all sorts of activities.

I believe that the facts stated above to be true.

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31 January 2011

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

NAME of Witness	
Print	EWART HAROLD WYLLIE EVANS
1	Your address when you used the land being claimed as "Town Green" and edged in red on Map "A"?
	14 STROKE PADDOCK ROAD STROKE BISHOP BRISTOL BS9 2DJ
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?
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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?
	STROKE LODGE
7	Has the land, referred to in question 6, ever been known by any other name? If so what?
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8	For how many years have you known about the Land edged in red on Map "A"?
	30 YEARS
9	Between which years did you use the Land edged in red on Map "A"?
	1980 TO 2011
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 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			
Local infants school	Community centre	Community activities	
✓	✓	A central feature	
Local junior school	Sports facility	Scout hut	✓
Local secondary school	Swimming pool	other	
Residents association	Library	other	
Neighbourhood watch	Alt green space within easy walking	other	
Neighbourhood Partnership	Area police	other	
Local place of worship	Doctors surgery	other	
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"?	THROUGH OUR GATE OR AT THE END OF CINEYNE ROAD	
15	How do you travel to and from the Land edged in red on Map "A"?	BY FOOT	
16	Why do you go on to the Land edged in red on Map "A"?	FOR RECREATION	
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)	REGULARLY	
18	What activities do/did you take part in on the Land edged red on Map "A"?	WALKING, BLACKBERRY PICKING	
19	Does your immediate family use the Land edged in red on Map "A"?	YES	
20	If so, for what?	WALKING, RUNNING	
21	Do you know of any community activities that take place or have taken place on the Land edged in red on Map "A"?	YES	
22	If so please list them and state when and for how long they have taken place?	SPORT, PICNIC, SPORTS, BROWNIE SPORTS AT WEST 1983 onwards	
23	Do/did you participate in any of them?	PICNIC	

