

14 STOKE PADDOCK ROAD
BRISTOL
BS9 2DJ
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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

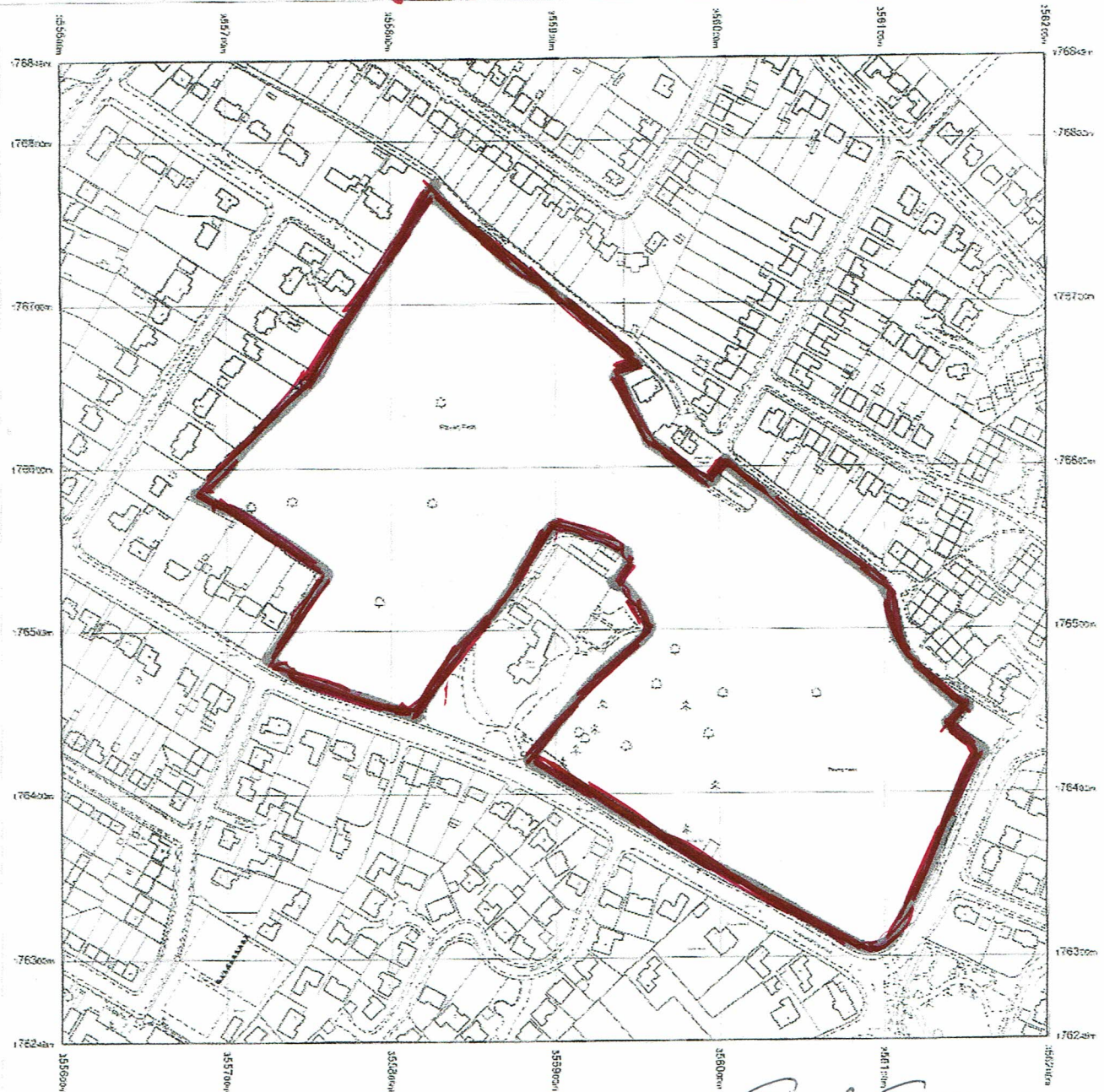
	NAME of Witness Print EWART HAROLD WYLLIE EVANS	
1	Your address when you used the land being claimed as "Town Green" and edged in red on Map "A"?	14 STROKE PADDOCK ROAD STONE BISHOP BRISTOL BS9 2DJ
2	Your address when you knew the land edged in red on Map "A" was being used by the local inhabitants? If different from 1 above?	-
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?	-
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? <i>Please tick all boxes that apply and add any other additional matters not covered</i>			
	Local infants school	✓	Community centre	Community activities
	Local junior school	✓	Sports facility	A central feature
	Local secondary school		Swimming pool	Scout hut
	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 CECYNE 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, SCOUTS, BROWNIE SPORTS AT LEAST 1983 onwards			
23	Do/did you participate in any of them? PICNIC			

24	Do any organisations use the Land edged in red on Map "A" for sports or pastimes? If so, please specify.	YES, SLOWES, CRICKET TEAMS SHEFFIELD F.C., CRICKET HIGH,
25	Do any seasonal activities take place on the Land edged in red on Map "A"	YES
26	Please tick all the activities that you have seen taking place on the Land edged in red on Map "A"	
	Children playing	☒ Fetes
	Rounders	☒ Football
	Drawing and painting	☒ Rugby
	Dog Walking	☒ Cricket
	Team Games (Formal)	☒ Bird watching
	Team Games (informal)	☒ Picnicking
	Picking blackberries	☒ Kite flying
	Community celebrations	☒ People walking
		Bonfire parties
		Bicycle riding
		Carol singing
		other
		other
		other
		other
		other
27	Do you know the name of the owner of the Land edged in red on Map "A"? And if so please state.	BRISTOL CITY COUNCIL
28	Do you know the name of the occupier of the Land edged in red on Map "A"? And if so please state.	BRISTOL CITY COUNCIL
29	Has the owner or occupier seen you on the Land edged in red on Map "A"?	SEEN BY GROUNDSDS STAFF
30	What did they say? If anything?	NOTHING OTHER THAN A GREETING
31	Was permission ever sought by you for activities on the Land edged in red on Map "A"?	No
32	If so, from whom and when?	-
33	Did anyone ever give you permission to go onto the Land edged in red on Map "A"?	No
34	If yes, when and for what reason?	-
35	Have you ever been prevented from using the Land edged in red on Map "A"?	No

36	If yes, when and for what reason?	
37	Has any attempt been made by any means to prevent or discourage the use being made of the Land edged in red on Map "A" by local inhabitants?	No
38	If yes, give examples and dates	
39	Are you aware of any signs or notices restricting access to the Land edged in red on Map "A" by local inhabitants?	No
40	Do you have any photographs or any other evidence of use of the Land edged in red on Map "A" by local inhabitants?	
41	Are you willing to allow us to copy them for use as part of our application?	
42	If you have additional information please attach a separate statement? (witness statement etc)	
43	If you have knowledge of others who may be in a position to complete an evidence form, would you please write their names and addresses upon the reverse of this form.	
44	I have carried on the activities referred to in this questionnaire, on the Land edged in red on Map "A", for 27 years without anybody trying to stop me and I believe the activity should be treated by the law as having a lawful origin.	
45	I understand that the evidence form I have completed in relation to this application may become public knowledge and I authorise the applicant to disclose this form to anyone reasonably requiring access to this application.	
46	I also understand that this evidence may be presented at a non-statutory inquiry and I authorise the applicant to use this form for that purpose.	
47	Signed	
48	Name	
49	Date	



MAP 'A'


SAH Evans

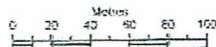
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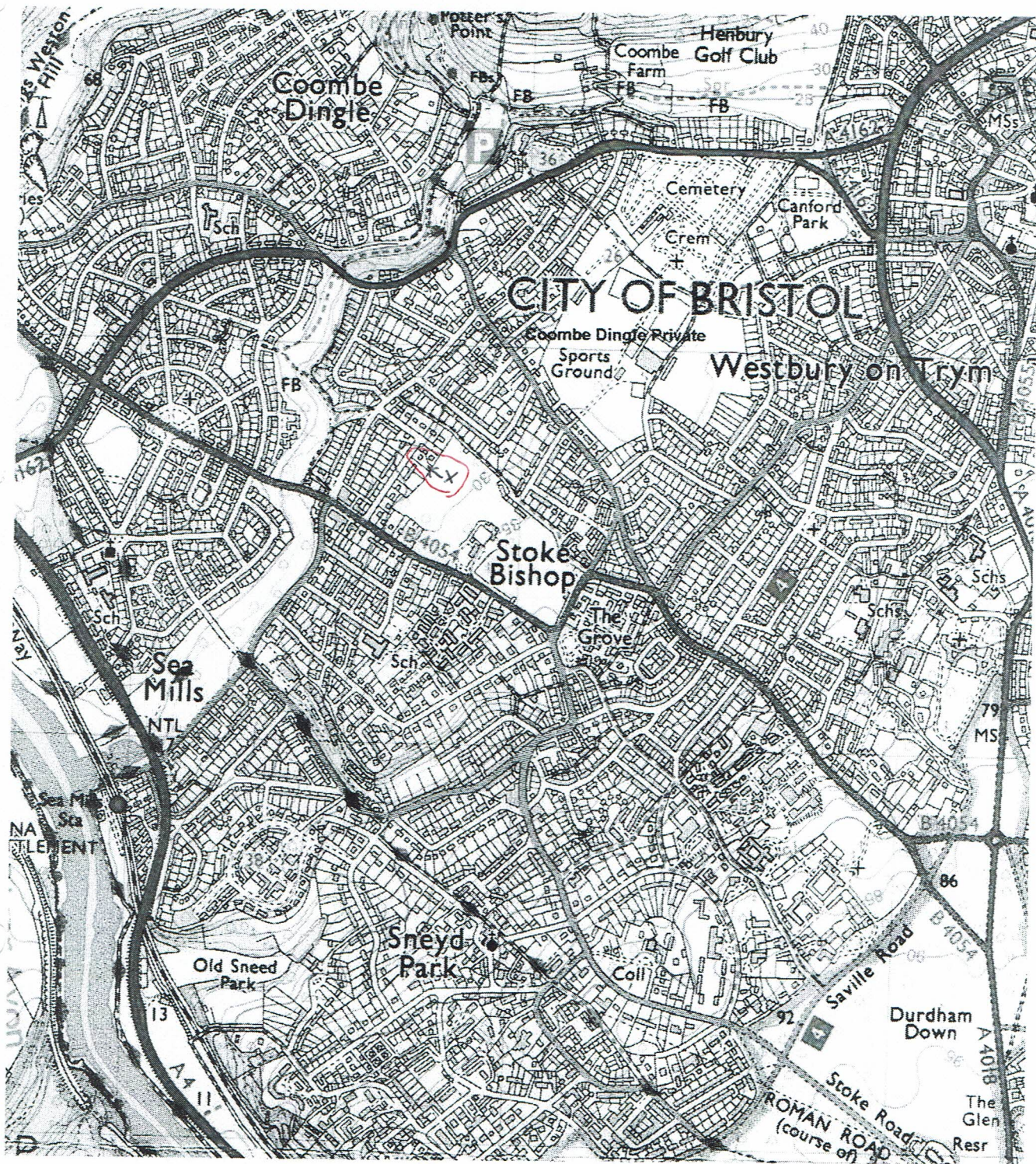
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Map "B" of locality surrounding Stoke Lodge Parkland



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