

Structure to Witness Statement

1. Insert Heading;
Witness Statement in support of
Town Green Application for Stoke Lodge Parkland
2. Full Name NICHOLAS HENRY ROSE
3. Current address 11A DRUID ROAD, STONE BISHOP,
BRISTOL. BS9 1LS.
4. Occupation TEACHER
5. Please describe in your own words as much information and details of fact as possible, this must not include any rumour or exaggeration, and should include your knowledge of:
 - a. When you or your family started to use Stoke Lodge Parklands and/or the House?
 - b. During this period were you ever denied access, and if so by whom?
 - c. What variety of activities you and your family have been involved in on the Parkland?
 - d. If as a group what was the name of the group
 - e. How you travelled to and from the site and which access you used?
 - f. Do you have any evidence of your use of Stoke Lodge including photographs, letters, press cuttings, etc, that we could copy and include in our application?
 - g. What do you value most about Stoke Lodge?
 - h. Any other relevant information that demonstrates ongoing community use.
6. Include closing statement:
 I believe that the facts stated in this witness statement are true,

Signature: Date: February 2nd 2011

I have been running around Stoke Lodge playing fields since 1979. Although my Olympic days are well behind me I still enjoy training in the tranquillity of Stoke Lodge.

I run most days and have also used the fields for coaching purposes for the last 13 years. While running I watch the football, rugby and cricket matches played by both sexes and all ages, a wonderful spectacle.

As a teacher and parent I know how important the preservation of open spaces must be for our children. Once lost they can never be replaced.

Faithfully,
Nick Rose

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Nick Rose', written over a horizontal line.

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

NAME of Witness Print		NICHOLAS ROSE	
1	Your address when you used the land being claimed as "Town Green" and edged in red on Map "A"?	11A DRUID ROAD, STOKE BISHOP, BRISTOL BS4 1LJ	
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?	Stoke Lodge Playing Fields	
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"?	33	
9	Between which years did you use the Land edged in red on Map "A"?	1984 → now	
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	

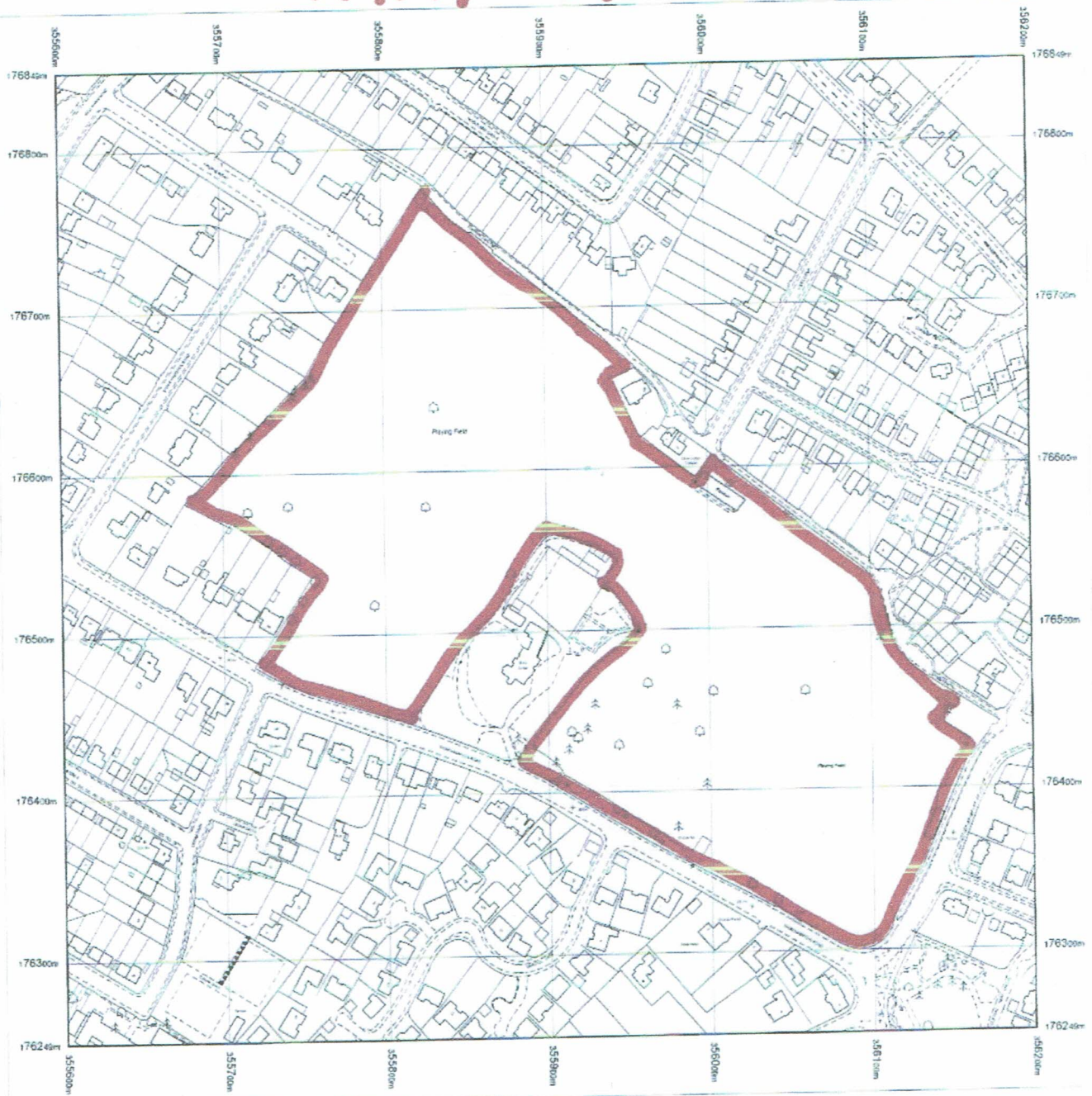
12	What recognisable facilities are available to the local inhabitants of your locality? Please tick all boxes that apply and add any other additional matters not covered					
	Local infants school	✓	Community centre	✓	Community activities	✓
	Local junior school	✓	Sports facility	✓	A central feature	✓
	Local secondary school		Swimming pool		Scout hut	✓
	Residents association	✓	Library		other	Nature Reserve
	Neighbourhood watch	✓	Alt green space within easy walking	✓	other	Downs
	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"? West Dere entrance					
15	How do you travel to and from the Land edged in red on Map "A"? Run					
16	Why do you go on to the Land edged in red on Map "A"? To run and to coach					
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) Twice a week					
18	What activities do/did you take part in on the Land edged red on Map "A"? Running/Coaching.					
19	Does your immediate family use the Land edged in red on Map "A"? Wife					
20	If so, for what? Run					
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, Cricket, Rugby, Running.					
22	If so please list them and state when and for how long they have taken place? All above and for as long as I have been using the fields - 33 years.					
23	Do/did you participate in any of them? Yes.					

24	Do any organisations use the Land edged in red on Map "A" for sports or pastimes? If so, please specify.	Shire Colts - Football. Rushmore Rangers - "	
25	Do any seasonal activities take place on the Land edged in red on Map "A"	Cricket, Football, Athletics.	
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
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.	Cotham Grammar School	
29	Has the owner or occupier seen you on the Land edged in red on Map "A"?	No	
30	What did they say? If anything?	N/A	
31	Was permission ever sought by you for activities on the Land edged in red on Map "A"?	N/A - No work.	
32	If so, from whom and when?	No	
33	Did anyone ever give you permission to go onto the Land edged in red on Map "A"?	Yes	
34	If yes, when and for what reason?	Users have told me it is general knowledge anyone can use it.	
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?	N/A
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	N/A
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?	No
41	Are you willing to allow us to copy them for use as part of our application?	No
42	If you have additional information please attach a separate statement?	No
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.	N/A
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	N. H. [Signature]
48	Name	NICHOLAS ROSE.
49	Date	Feb 13 th 2011



MAP 'A'



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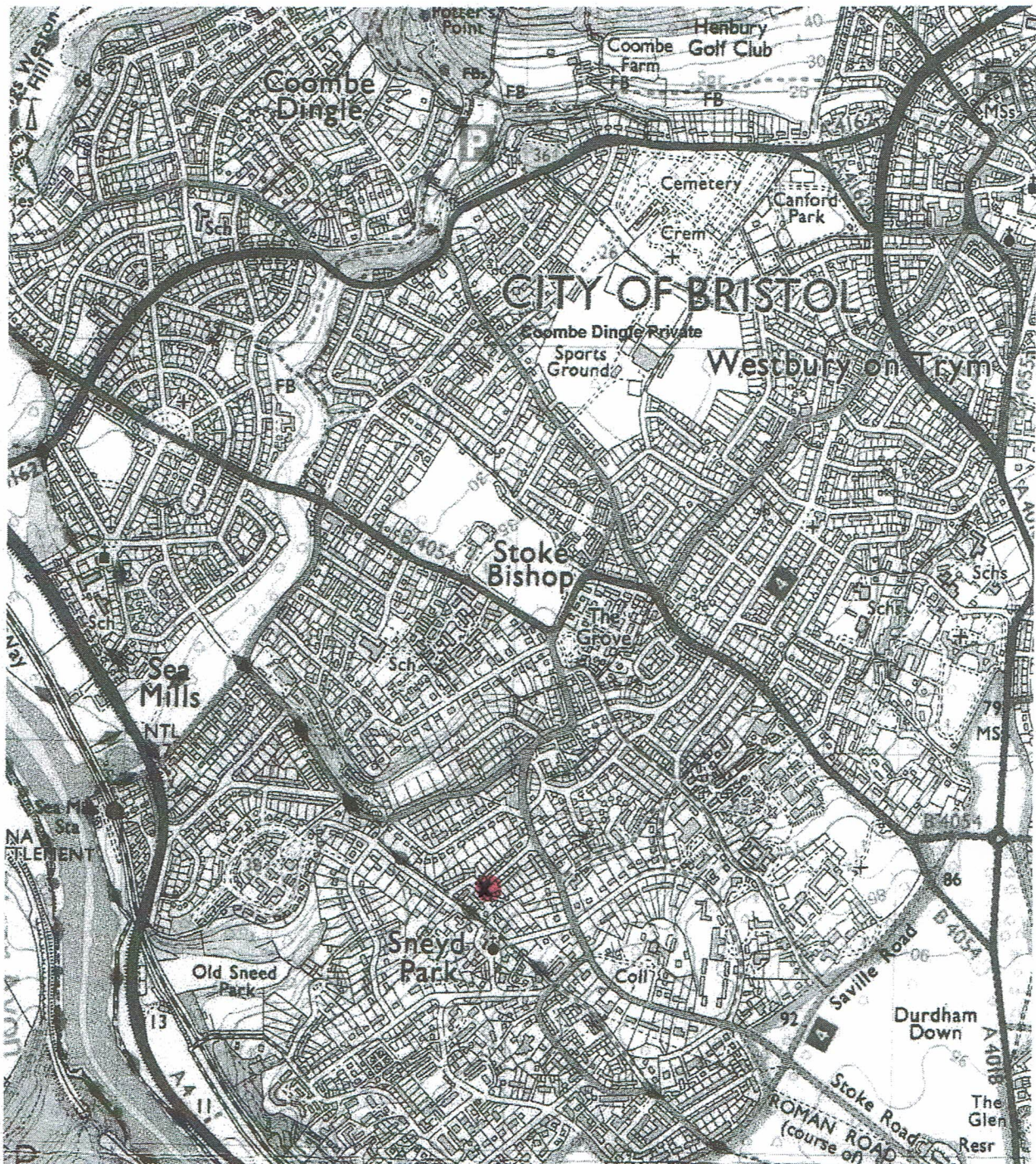
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Map "B" of locality surrounding Stoke Lodge Parkland



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