

**Witness Statement in support of Town Green Application for
Stoke Lodge Parkland**

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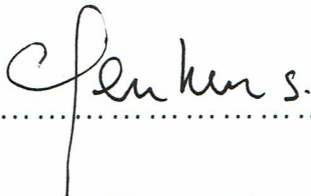
Company Director

My wife and I have had the pleasure of visiting Stoke Lodge Playing Field for the last 40 years.

Entering through the West Dene entrance we have walked our dogs on a daily basis. During their childhood our children used the playing field for parties, games of rounders, cricket and for family picnics. Now our grandson plays football there on a Saturday morning.

The grounds are always well maintained, the trees are spectacular and it gives us great pleasure at all times of the year.

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

Signature: 

Date: 20 - 11 - 011
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Save Stoke Lodge Parkland - Application for Town Green Registration – Evidence Questionnaire	
NAME of Witness Print	
1	Your address when you used the land being claimed as "Town Green" and edged in red on Map "A"? 1 David Rd Stoke Bishop. 95 Reedly Rd. ~ 11 Elmlea Ave ~ BS93UU.
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.
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"? 51 YEARS.
9	Between which years did you use the Land edged in red on Map "A"? 50 years.
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
	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"?			
14	How do you gain access to the Land edged in red on Map "A"?			
15	How do you travel to and from the Land edged in red on Map "A"?			
16	Why do you go on to the Land edged in red on Map "A"?			
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)			
18	What activities do/did you take part in on the Land edged red on Map "A"?			
19	Does your immediate family use the Land edged in red on Map "A"?			
20	If so, for what?			
21	Do you know of any community activities that take place or have taken place on the Land edged in red on Map "A"?			
22	If so please list them and state when and for how long they have taken place?			
23	Do/did you participate in any of them?			

No.

Through West Dene.

Walk or Car.

Picnic with Grand children.
Walking Dog. + General Exercise.

Every Day.

Playing Sport + Jogging.

Yes.

General Childrens Play + Walking dog.

Club + Soccer Clubs.

Ston Bishop C.C. for 50 years
+ Soccer Clubs name not known.

50 years No.

24	Do any organisations use the Land edged in red on Map "A" for sports or pastimes? If so, please specify.	As Above.	
25	Do any seasonal activities take place on the Land edged in red on Map "A"	Covers collecting Holly	
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.	As Above.	
29	Has the owner or occupier seen you on the Land edged in red on Map "A"?		
30	What did they say? If anything?		
31	Was permission ever sought by you for activities on the Land edged in red on Map "A"?	None.	
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	

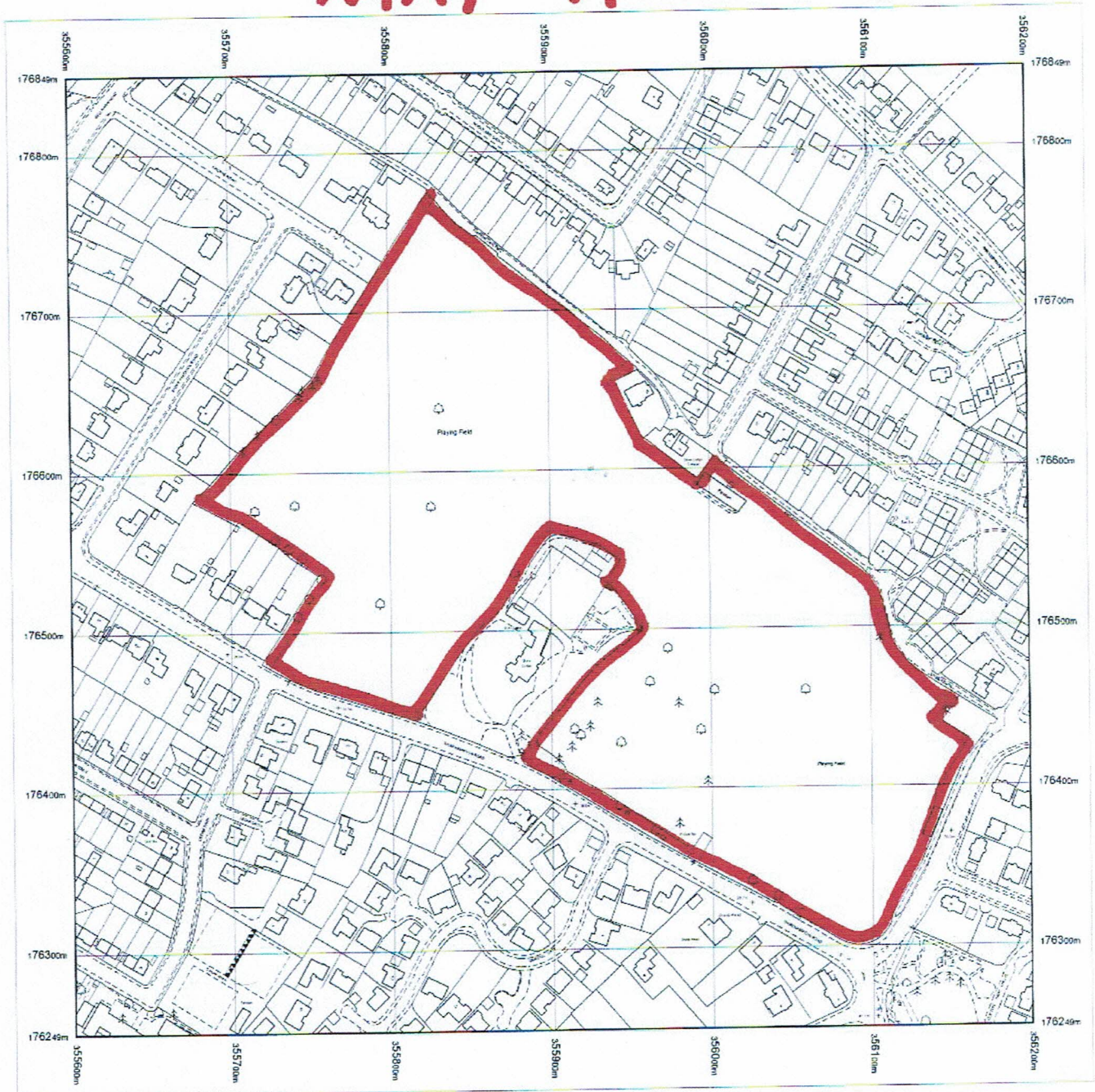
36	If yes, when and for what reason?	
37	Has any attempt been made by any means to prevent or discourage the use being made of the Land edged in red on Map "A" by local inhabitants?	No
38	If yes, give examples and dates	
39	Are you aware of any signs or notices restricting access to the Land edged in red on Map "A" by local inhabitants?	yes.
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?	
42	If you have additional information please attach a separate statement? (witness statement etc)	Statement attached.
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 50 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	Chris Jenkins
49	Date	29-1-11

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MAP 'A'



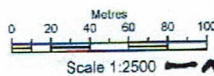
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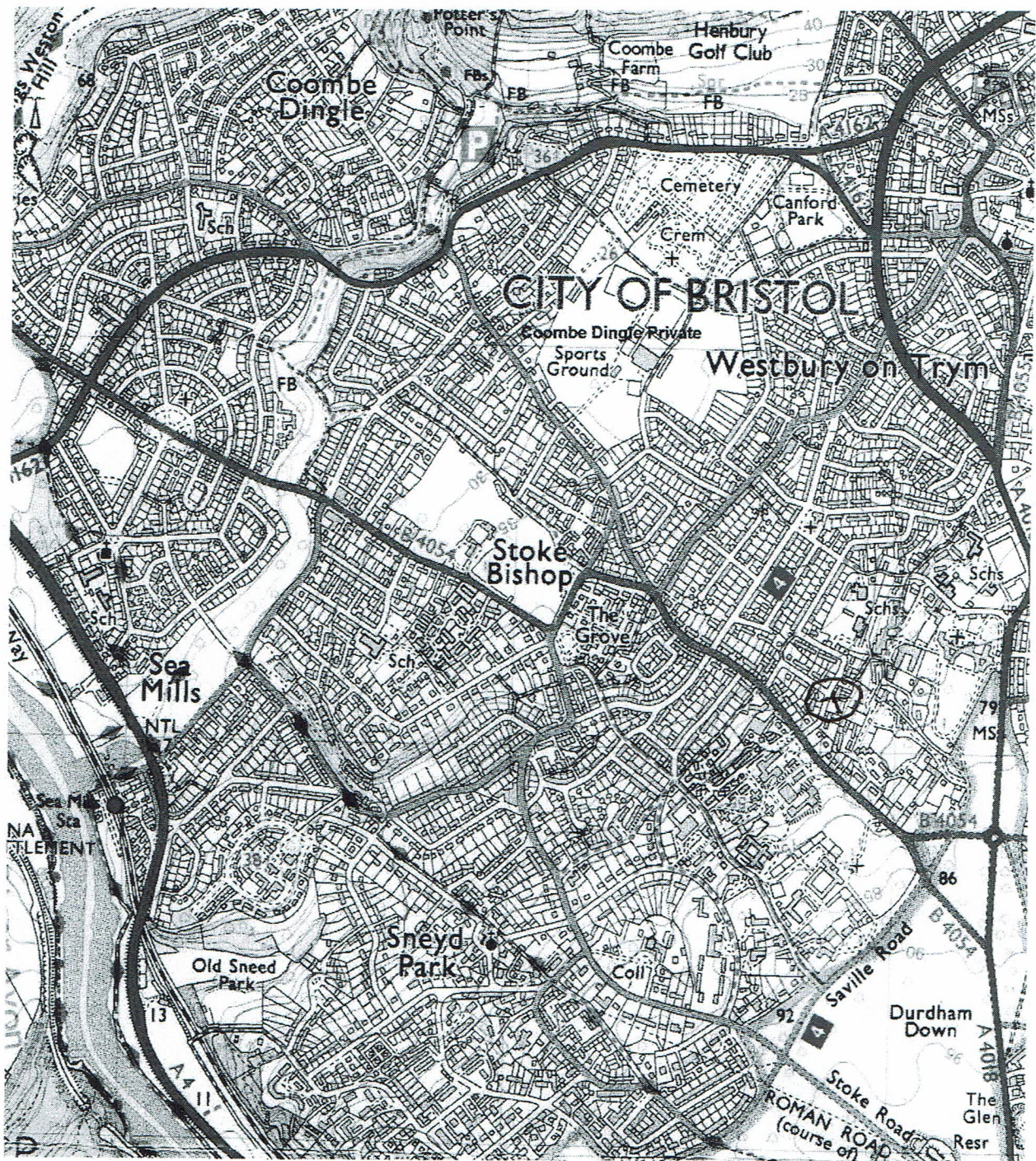
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Map "B" of locality surrounding Stoke Lodge Parkland



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