

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

Mrs. Irmgard K. M. Bansall
7, Cheyne Road, Stoke Bishop, Bristol BS9 2DH
Widow

My husband and I moved to Cheyne Road in the autumn of 1965. Our first daughter was born then. My husband had to reach Severnside very quickly, especially during an emergency. He was an engineer with ICI and we did not like to live in Thornbury. I had not yet have a driving licence and had to rely on public transport. The importance to live here became very quickly clear to us:

1. Public trans-port - 2. Not far from the workplace and 3. "The Playing Field (Stoke Lodge Parkland)

There was always the opportunity to get out of the house and have a quick walk without having to drive or ^{make} along bus journey. Then we had 2 daughters and all through those years we had family walks or the girls went out alone to play with their friends and sometimes take a picnic. I remember very well the 25th anniversary of the Queen. We had a cricket match between Stoke Paddock Road and Cheyne Road in the field and afterwards a sumptuous picnic and a toast. -

My mother tongue is German. Before we came to Bristol, we spent 2 years in Argentina, thus my Spanish was better than my English. Now having 2 children to bring them up as British citizens, I had to brush up my forgotten school English. It was Stoke Lodge that came to my rescue: there were courses in English O-Level and English Literature. Later when both girls were at school, I remembered my Spanish, and again it was Stoke Lodge that offered courses.

Now my grandchildren, 2 boys, come and visit me. We have walks or they play foot ball, fly a kite or chase each other.

During all those years I have never been denied access to the field. in fact, I cannot imagine life without this lovely green field and its old and beautiful trees, nor life without the house of Stoke Lodge. The mere existence of both has done a great deal to form a community, just naturally. Meeting people in the neighbourhood, outdoors and on courses at the Lodge to talk, to discuss and exchange views and opinions.

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

Signature: Lugard Bawall
Date: 7 February 2011

I am a retired member of the Royal Canadian Air Force. I was trained to be a pilot, and have been a flight test engineer, research engineer, and systems engineer in various roles during my career. I have participated in numerous flight test programs involving aircraft, missiles, and space vehicles, and have extensive experience in aircraft system development, system design, flight test planning, and aircraft certification. I have a passion for flight testing and aerospace engineering.

I am currently involved in the development and supply of flight test equipment and software for aircraft systems. My work involves developing flight test software and hardware, and providing technical support to aircraft manufacturers. I am currently working on the development of a new generation of flight test systems for the aircraft industry. I am also involved in the development of flight test systems for space vehicles. I am currently working on the development of a new generation of flight test systems for space vehicles.

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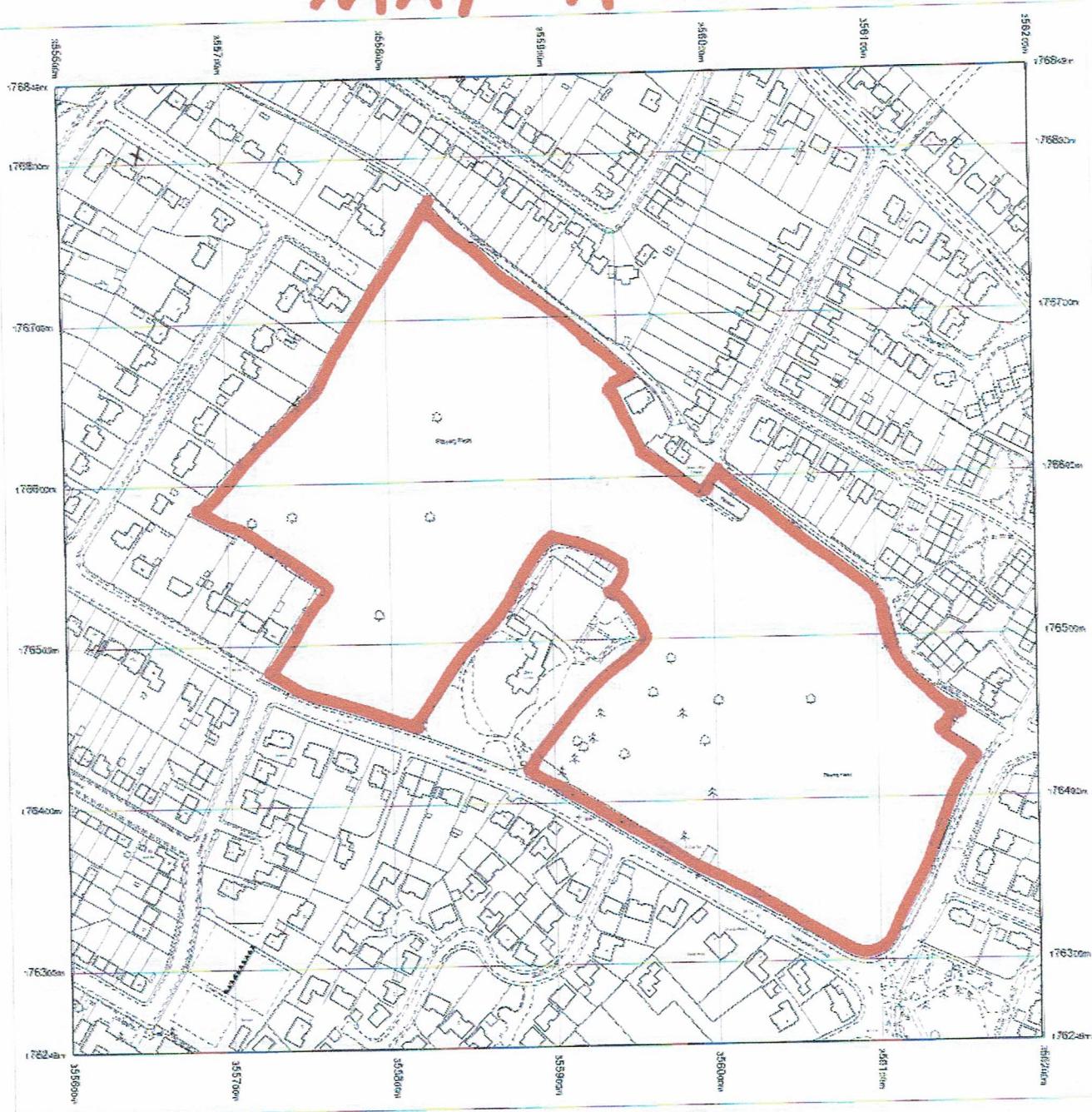
Save Stoke Lodge Parkland - Application for Town Green Registration – Evidence Questionnaire	
NAME of Witness Print	IRMGARD BANSACK
1 Your address when you used the land being claimed as "Town Green" and edged in red on Map "A"?	7 Cheyue Rd, Stoke Bishop Bristol BS9 2DH
2 Your address when you knew the land edged in red on Map "A" was being used by the local inhabitants? If different from 1 above?	Same
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?	"The Playing Field"
7 Has the land, referred to in question 6, ever been known by any other name? If so what?	Stoke Lodge
8 For how many years have you known about the Land edged in red on Map "A"?	45 years
9 Between which years did you us the Land edged in red on Map "A"?	all those 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? <i>Please tick all boxes that apply and add any other additional matters not covered</i>		
	Community centre ✓ Sports facility Swimming pool Library Alt green space within easy walking Area police Doctors surgery	Community activities ✓ A central feature Scout hut other	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 a gap at the end of my 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"?	To walk or play with my grandchildren	
17	How often do/did you use the Land edged in red on Map "A"?	at least 3 times a week	
18	(apart from use of any public paths on the Land)	walking, reading, sitting & seeing	
19	What activities do/did you take part in on the Land edged red on Map "A"?	Yes	
20	Does your immediate family use the Land edged in red on Map "A"?	to walk and play	
	If so, for what?	Sport & socializing, dog walks	
21	Do you know of any community activities that take place or have taken place on the Land edged in red on Map "A"?	Sports & Social	
22	If so please list them and state when and for how long they have taken place?	Football, Rugby, Golf putting	
23	Do/did you participate in any of them?	No	

24	Do any organisations use the Land edged in red on Map "A" for sports or pastimes? If so, please specify.	Streeters of Stoke Lodge Dots.																																								
25	Do any seasonal activities take place on the Land edged in red on Map "A"	Bird watching, painting, tree ch,																																								
26	Please tick all the activities that you have seen taking place on the Land edged in red on Map "A"	<table border="1"> <tbody> <tr> <td>Children playing</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Fetes</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Bonfire parties</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rounders</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Football</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Bicycle riding</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Drawing and painting</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Rugby</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Carol singing</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dog Walking</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Cricket</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>other</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Team Games (Formal)</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Bird watching</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>other</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Team Games (informal)</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Picnicking</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>other</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Picking blackberries</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Kite flying</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>other</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Community celebrations</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>People walking</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>other</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Children playing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fetes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bonfire parties	Rounders	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Football	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bicycle riding	Drawing and painting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rugby	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Carol singing	Dog Walking	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Cricket	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	other	Team Games (Formal)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bird watching	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	other	Team Games (informal)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Picnicking	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	other	Picking blackberries	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kite flying	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	other	Community celebrations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	People walking	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	other
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27	Do you know the name of the owner of the Land edged in red on Map "A"? And if so please state.	No																																								
28	Do you know the name of the occupier of the Land edged in red on Map "A"? And if so please state.	No																																								
29	Has the owner or occupier seen you on the Land edged in red on Map "A"?	W ^o tch to my house edge																																								
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"?	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?	No
41	Are you willing to allow us to copy them for use as part of our application?	Yes
42	If you have additional information please attach a separate statement? (witness statement etc)	Yes
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 45 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	Jyoti Bansal
48	Name	JYOTI BANSAL
49	Date	7. Feb. 2011

MAP 'A'



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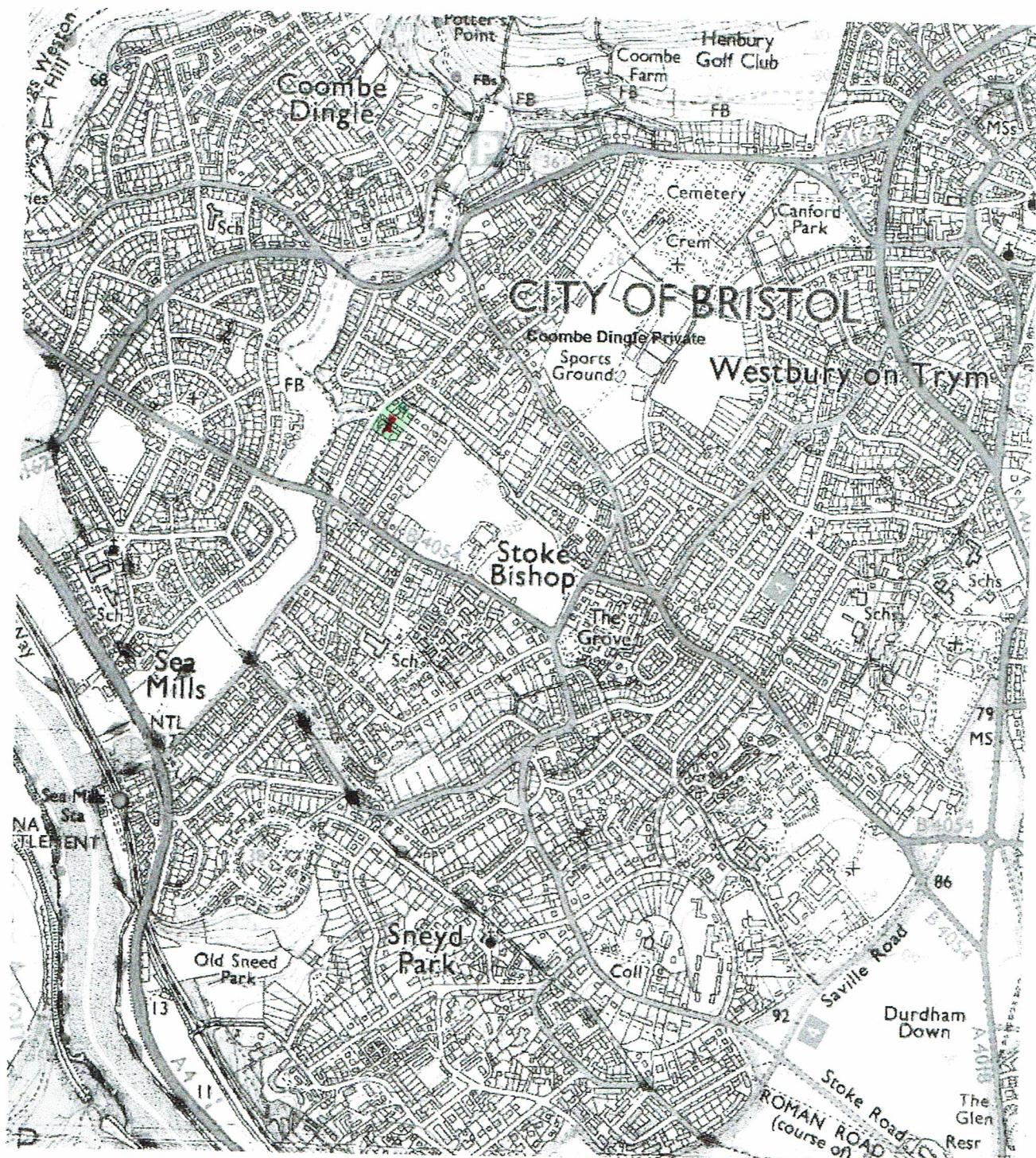
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Map "B" of locality surrounding Stoke Lodge Parkland



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Yvonne Bawall 4. Feb. 2011