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From: Fran Harley [franharley@yahoo.co.uk]
Sent: 12 May 2016 17:46
To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk
Subject: Fw: Stoke Lodge message of support WITH address

On Tuesday, 10 May 2016, 18:07, Fran Harley <franharley@yahoo.co.uk> wrote:

Dear Sue

I wanted to get in touch to let you know that we think Stoke Lodge is a wonderful open space that my children, husband and I use on a regular basis and have done so since we moved to Bristol more than 10 years ago. We live at 48 Sandyleaze BS9 3PY.

I regularly run there in the morning and evenings; sometimes with my children. When my children were younger we often popped down during the week to play football, have a picnic or for the kids to cycle around in a traffic free zone. My son also had matches there on occasions when he played for Sonics football team.

Now that my children are at school, we use the play park on the Stoke Lodge site after school and on weekends. It is such a great open space to kick around a ball or play frisbee away from the dangers of traffic. It will not be long before my kids will be able to walk down independently to meet friends and play sports.

Over the past few years, the roads in Bristol have become far busier. We are lucky to live in close proximity to both Canford Park and Stoke Lodge. However, Canford can be incredibly busy, especially on the weekend and Stoke Lodge has become our favourite green space over the last couple of years.

It would be a tremendous shame if this area was not available to our family and other families like us in the future.

Best wishes
Fran Knight

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Sue Mayer

From: Bridget Hardwick [Bridget@wghproperty.co.uk]
Sent: 19 May 2016 14:45
To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk
Subject: Stoke Lodge

Hi Sue



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I confirm that my husband, daughters and I have used the entire grassed area at Stoke Lodge almost daily since moving to Druid's Hill in June 2011 for recreational purposes and exercise.

I live at Highfield, 53B Druid Hill, Stoke Bishop BS9 1EH.

Good luck!

Regards,
Bridget

Mrs Bridget Y Hardwick BSc Hons MRICS

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Sue Mayer

From: Chris Harries [Chris.Harries@bristol.ac.uk]
Sent: 20 May 2016 10:49
To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk
Subject: Stoke Lodge Playing Fields

9, Sunnyside

Stoke Bishop,
Bristol, BS9 1BQ

0117 9684819

Cottages,

Friday, 20th May, 2016

Dear Ms Mayer,

in relation to the deliberations taking place over the future of Stoke Lodge playing fields, those of us living in close proximity to the space concerned (the last open space available to the public in Stoke Bishop) have been invited to cite the use which we have made of it over the years.

I have lived here since 1986. When we moved to the area my wife and I had three small children. As the years passed we frequently made use of the playing fields, both we ourselves and with our children's friends, to play football and cricket. Indeed, doing so, and thus obtaining regular enjoyment and exercise (and getting them away from television and computer screens), was a happy part of their growing up. We also often went for walks on the fields, like many local people. Altogether, the fields were a very important amenity.

As they remain. I now take my grandsons, who live nearby, up on to the fields for the same purposes as those which their father enjoyed. I hope to continue doing so with grandchildren who have yet to arrive!

I would say that the playing fields are a very important part of the life of the local community. It is good to see the use being made of them on Sundays by what appears to be a children's soccer league. Cricket teams play there as well, a pleasure to go and watch. Cricket teams do not play on The Downs.

Stoke Lodge Adult Education Centre is another, thriving, activity on-site. Hundreds (at least) attend courses there every week. My wife attends two language courses there. Its loss would be a body blow to the community.

I would be a serious and deplorable loss of local amenity if the fields were to be lost as well. For that reason I, and many of us, strongly support the Town Green application, if that is what it takes, to secure their future. It is very difficult indeed to understand Bristol City Council's muddled attitude on the subject, commissioning a report (at our expense) and then turning down the expert advice tendered!

Yours sincerely,

Christopher Harries

20/05/2016

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Sue Mayer

From: alex.harris16@talktalk.net
Sent: 20 May 2016 11:31
To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk
Subject: Stoke Lodge Playing fields

Dear Sue

My husband Stephen and I live at 16 West Dene and have recently been made aware of fresh proposals to fence off Stoke Lodge playing fields to local people, except for the perimeter, and build artificial pitches for Cotham School. We are both horrified by this disclosure and the fact that no one official has alerted us to what is happening. I was told by my driving instructor who lives locally and belongs to a local facebook group. We value the field as an open green space, our garden is only about 50 meters away, and importantly chose the house to live in over twenty years ago for its pleasant location and outlook. We too regard it as the lungs of the local area and an important space to be enjoyed by everyone. "Improvements" such as the introduction of artificial pitches and floodlighting would have a terrible detrimental effect on the local environment, our lives and those of our neighbours. Since we have lived here there have been several new large housing developments nearby and Stoke Lodge is the only remaining local green space. We regularly use the whole of the playing field, especially at night to watch the local wildlife. The field is an important foraging area for foxes, badgers, hedgehogs and other species, and being able to watch the local wildlife gives us considerable enjoyment. In addition, there is an important conservation issue that needs to be addressed. Changes to the habitat, fencing off areas and/or the introduction of lighting are likely to have a key impact on the local great crested newt population, a European protected species. My husband is sending you an email which addresses these issues and sending a copy to Bristol City Council.

Please let me know if you require any further information.

Best wishes

Alex Harris

PS I hope you will be able to open the attachment my husband sends you. He has just sent me a copy and I can't!

From: alex.harris16@talktalk.net

20/05/2016

Mrs Alexandra Harris
Professor Stephen Harris
16 West Dene
Stoke Bishop
Bristol
BS9 2BQ

20 May 2016

Sue Mayer
Save Stoke Lodge Parkland
suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk

cc development.management@bristol.gov.uk; conservation@bristol.gov.uk

Dear Sue

Stoke Lodge parkland
Conservation of the local great crested newt population

We are very concerned about the plans to develop Stoke Lodge, and the apparent lack of necessary documentation. The land in question is of high nature conservation value and an integral part of Bristol's urban greenspace. In addition to the considerable pleasure many people get watching the wildlife on the parkland, it supports an important population of great crested newts. Great crested newts breed in two of the three ponds in our garden, and we have been watching them egg-laying in our ponds this spring. If they are breeding in our ponds, there are likely to be other breeding ponds in the area. The ponds in our garden are within 50 metres of the Stoke Lodge playing field.

It is critical to consider the management of the land around great crested newt breeding ponds since the newts spend most of the year on land, and so appropriate management of the surrounding terrestrial habitat is of equal importance to the management of their breeding ponds. Great crested newts spend their lives within 200-500 metres of their breeding pond and it is generally recommended that areas up to 250 metres from the pond should be managed for great crested newts (see, for example, Jones & Sons Environmental Services Ltd 2007, *Harlow great crested newt 2006 survey report*). Development of a key part of their terrestrial habitat is likely to have a significant negative impact on this protected species, and this is of particular conservation concern since there are few populations of great crested newts within the built up parts of the city of Bristol.

Any proposals to introduce artificial lighting to this area, to fence off areas, or change the land use is likely to be particularly harmful to the conservation value of this parkland. European protected species such as great crested newts require studies prior to any application being made that could impact upon their habitat which is also

strictly protected by law. This normally takes the form of a range of surveys to determine population size and habitat use, and the preparation of a report with reference to the impacts of local destruction and effects on 'favourable conservation status' such that any proposal may, in an informed way, show how the proposal will overall benefit any species concerned.

At present the application has failed at this first hurdle. Indeed many planning authorities in England refuse to register applications until submitted with full environmental information. For European protected species, this should include a full Environmental Impact Assessment or at least a screening report at the first stage. These documents are conspicuous by their absence.

We are very concerned that proper procedures do not appear to have been followed and are copying this to Bristol City Council to seek their urgent reassurance that the Planning Department will require the correct information to be provided prior to considering any application to change the management of the parkland at Stoke Lodge.

We have instructed specialists to represent us on this matter and we will keep a record of costs incurred, should this be required at a later date.

Please let us know if you require any further information.

Best wishes

Alex Harris
Stephen Harris

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Sue Mayer

From: robtharris@talktalk.net
Sent: 19 May 2016 17:53
To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk
Subject: Stoke Lodge Field

2 Marklands
37 Julian Road
Sneyd Park
Bristol BS9 1NP

Re: Stoke Lodge Parkland - Public Inquiry

I am most concerned to hear that Bristol City Council, Cotham Academy and the University of Bristol are objecting to the designation of the above land as a Town or Village Green.

I have lived in Bristol, on this side of town, for nearly 70 years. As a child in Shirehampton and Redland and in later years in Stoke Bishop and now Sneyd Park.

My parents used to take me to Stoke Lodge to kick a ball around with my brother and friends and on occasions have picnic lunches. In later years I have used the fields for my own children's informal ball games and nature "studies", collecting or inspecting insects and leaves for school projects and now my local grandson is doing the same.

Access has never been restricted, and even when organised games are being played, local residents have always been able to stand and watch. A considerable number of older people get great pleasure from walking in the field and watching football matches and seeing youngsters enjoying healthy recreation. Dog walkers also have always been able to exercise their pets and enjoy social chats with other dog owners.

This open parkland must remain as a community green open space for all to enjoy as and when they want to.

Robert H Harris 19-05-16 Tel: 0117 9687070

19/05/2016

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From: staceysnowtwinkle@btinternet.com**Sent:** 07 May 2016 19:26**To:** suemayer @blueyonder.co.uk**Subject:** Use of Stoke Lodge playing field

Hi Sue,

I would like to advise you that I moved into one of the cottages on Stoke Lodge playing field in 1977 when my father took over as caretaker at Stoke Lodge Education center. Since that time I have used the field to walk the family dogs, play with my friends whilst at school, learn to play tennis and practice my rounders whilst at senior school and generally relax walking around the beautiful surroundings. In particular to the time scale of 1990 until 2011 I have used the field to raise my two boys also. I have a fantastic picture of my first son sitting in the middle of the grass for his very first time and his face is a picture as he wasn't sure what to make of it. A very good introduction to nature. Both boys learnt to ride bikes in the safety of the field with a soft landing when falling off on removal of their stabilizers. The boys have also met many a new friend when taking out a ball to kick around which always attracts other children. We have used the field for large family rounders games whilst eating picnics too. My sons have also used the trees as art projects in the past where they were able to study and sketch many varieties of trees. An education in itself. To this day, like my dad before me, I am always "unofficially policing" the field to make sure that "undesirables" do not spoil its beauty for the hundreds of people who enjoy its nature and tranquility. This I know to be true since I moved in in 1977.

Regards

Stacey Harris (Whittle)

2 Stoke Lodge Cottages

West Dene

Stoke Bishop

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From: Peter Harrison [peterjo@blueyonder.co.uk]

Sent: 11 May 2016 16:15

To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk

Subject: Stoke Lodge Playig Fields

I would like to add my vote , and that of my wife, to keep these Playing Fields open for public use.

We have lived at 61 Coombe Lane, a couple of minutes walk away, for 44 years, and have thoroughly enjoyed being able to use these fields for walking and other sporting activities. Even before this time, I played hockey for several seasons there for West Gloucester Hockey Club.

It would be a disaster if local residents and sportsmen and women were denied being able to use the playing fields as has been the case for the past 70 years or so.

Signed : Peter Harrison

Jo Harrison

Sue Mayer

From: david mayer [dnmayer@msn.com]
Sent: 19 May 2016 16:47
To: Susan Mayer
Subject: FW: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from michael & lily harvey

-----Original Message-----

From: michael & lily harvey [mailto:mpharvey@btinternet.com]
Sent: 19 May 2016 15:52
To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com
Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from michael & lily harvey

Name: michael & lily harvey

Email Address: mpharvey@btinternet.com

Message:

We support the Town & Village Green application.

We have lived in Cedar Park for over 20 years and it has been beneficial to us to have this Parkland in walking distance for walking and recreation. We believe it is important that a parkland site should continue to be available for all the residents in this area.

15 Cedar Park

Bristol BS9 1BW

Clare Haywood FW Save Stoke Lodge Website Contact

From: david mayer [dnmayer@msn.com]

Sent: 11 May 2016 08:20

To: Susan Mayer

Subject: FW: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from
Claire hayward

-----Original Message-----

From: Claire hayward [mailto:Clairehayes75@hotmail.com]

Sent: 10 May 2016 18:35

To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com

Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Claire hayward

Name: Claire hayward

Email Address: Clairehayes75@hotmail.com

Message:

We would like to support the proposal for a town or village green for stoke lodge. We live in BS9 and use the play area and park regularly, probably monthly for our children to come and play and all of us to enjoy the outdoors.

Thank you

Claire Hayward 44 Downs Cote Park. BS9 3JT

Sue Mayer

From: david mayer [dnmayer@msn.com]
Sent: 22 May 2016 08:39
To: Susan Mayer
Subject: FW: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Jill Hebden

-----Original Message-----

From: Jill Hebden [mailto:jill.hebden@btopenworld.com]
Sent: 21 May 2016 12:17
To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com
Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Jill Hebden

Name: Jill Hebden

Email Address: jill.hebden@btopenworld.com

Message:

77 Bell Barn Rd

My family have used this park for many years, walks and cycling with the children and and playing ball games and exercising our dog. We use the whole park and particularly like the mature trees and views over the local area. We all absolutely value this green space and use the park throughout the year, we walk the park 4 to 5 times a week either with a dog or/and with friends, we meet up with fellow walkers which we wouldn't have met if not for the park. The addition of the childrens' park has enhanced this space further creating opportunities for all family members to walk to the play area and either play in the area or use the green space outside for ball games and picnics.

Please register our support to retain this green space for local people enjoying local spaces.

Jill, Chris, Alex and Victoria Hebden.

dnmayer@msn.com

From: Naomi and Will Heming [N.m.dukes@hotmail.co.uk]
Sent: 16 May 2016 09:22
To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com
Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Naomi and Will Heming

Name: Naomi and Will Heming

Email Address: N.m.dukes@hotmail.co.uk

Message:

We use the Stoke Lodge park every week to take a stroll, walk the dog and have some peaceful time in a busy city. We also bring our nephews here to play and would thoroughly miss it if it were to go. We therefore object whole heartedly it the land going to development space and support the Town/Village Green application.

Name: Naomi & Will Heming

Address: 79 Coombe lane, Bristol bs9 2at

Henning Emer & Andy

From: emerandsteve@yahoo.com
Sent: 11 May 2016 12:22
To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk
Subject: Stoke Park statement of usage

Hi Sue,

We greatly appreciate the work you and others have been doing to save Stoke Park as a wonderful amenity and recreational area for the local residents, other Bristolians and visitors.

We are a family of 4 living at 30 Druid Stoke Avenue. Stoke Park is at the end of our road and we consider it the Town Green and the green space provided to residents in view of all the housing development surrounding it.

My children are 8 and 5 and make regular use of the playground (at least 3 times per week for 2 hours at a time) as well as the sports grounds for kicking football, practicing cricket, running, frisbee throwing etc. and exploring among the woodland areas of the grounds. They also learned to ride their bikes there, as we found there was no other safe place in the area to learn.

The play area has also been a place for them to meet and socialise with local children which has been important as we moved to Stoke Bishop just 2 years ago.

Myself and my husband run up to 3 times a week in the park and as I prefer outdoor exercise I do my workouts there - all forms of exercise including Tai-Chi. As I am a qualified personal trainer I would like to run fitness classes in the park with the proper permissions from the council. With obesity levels at an all time high and a priority for the NHS, Stoke Park would be an ideal location to fight the disease.

As a family we would be devastated to lose the park as it would deprive us and our children of our only local green space which we see as essential to quality of life.

If you need further details we would be happy to provide it. We would also intend to be present at the public enquiry.

All the very best.

Steve and Emer Henning

Sent from my iPhone=

From: Ghyslaine Hobbs [gishhobbs@gmail.com]
Sent: 08 May 2016 16:59
To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk
Subject: Town Green Statement of Usage

Dear Sue,

I would like to express my strong support for maintaining Stoke Lodge parkland, as a green space for ALL.

And that is one of the points; I know many friends who travel to our area to use this space for their families and also for taking elderly members for walks on the relatively flat and safe grass surface.

I have used Stoke Lodge parkland for the past 43 years; I enjoy the open space and walking across the area to courses at the Adult learning centre. My children have used it for community parties and sports activities (we have videos of this, going back 30 years!).

It is a place my disabled niece feels comfortable accessing with us and we have used the area with our two young grandchildren, playing ball games and enjoying the natural environment to explore.

The government is committed to enhancing well being and improving mental / physical health and Stoke Lodge parkland fulfils an important role in this respect, for people of all ages/ abilities in the local and wider communities.

I heartily support the creation of Stoke Lodge as a town green.

Yours Sincerely

Ghyslaine Hobbs (Mrs)
24, Woodland Grove,
Stoke Bishop

From: Peter Hobbs [petehobbs@gmail.com]
Sent: 07 May 2016 22:00
To: Mayer Susan
Subject: Town Green Statement of usage

Dear Sue,

I used to play ball games on Stoke Lodge parkland with my children when they were young, and since then I have regularly walked across the length and breadth of the park when en route somewhere, or simply for the pleasure of it.
I virtually never only walk around the perimeter.

Peter
24, Woodland Grove,
Stoke Bishop

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From: david mayer [dnmayer@msn.com]
Sent: 11 May 2016 09:29
To: Susan Mayer
Subject: FW: Stoke Lodge Playing Fields - for Sue

From: Jenny Hodges [mailto:jh007a7363@blueyonder.co.uk]
Sent: 10 May 2016 21:34
To: D Mayer
Subject: Stoke Lodge Playing Fields - for Sue

Having lived in the Stoke Bishop area all my life I have been fortunate to enjoy Stoke Lodge for many reasons. As a child I played there with local friends, as an adult I attended night classes and also being able to enjoy the green area surrounding.

Also as an adult I was able to take my nieces and nephews who lived in Portishead up to the Lodge to kick a ball around or check out the daisies. I used to know the history of the trees and why they were planted. Now with the beautiful tree carvings happening bringing more interest for people to go there and take a stroll and have more to enjoy it would be devastating for anything to change for us local people.

With my nieces and nephews growing up and having children of their own I hope when they are old enough they too can come and enjoy the beautiful surroundings of the Lodge, kick a ball about or run around the tracks as indeed I know other people do so. It is often busier when there is a half marathon pending or even a 10k run.

I often take a stroll with friends and neighbours just to enjoy what we have so locally.

Jenny Hodges
2 Ellbridge Close, Stoke Bishop, BS9 1BU

From: Jon Hollingbery [jonhollingbery@aol.com]

Sent: 07 May 2016 19:27

To: Sue Mayer

Subject: SSLP - Town Green Statement of usage

Hi Sue,

I enjoy using Stoke Lodge parkland with my family (3 kids of 10, 8 and 6) in lots of different ways over the past 4 years. We moved to Shirehampton Road a year ago, before that we were about a 10 minute walk away. So it was always nice to walk to and around Stoke Lodge, use the playground and enjoy the park. We often meet up with other families there who are doing the same and enjoying the space, be that kicking a ball around, playing french cricket or just wandering the park exploring the nooks and crannies.

It would be such a shame not to have the parkland available to everyone to use in its current condition and for future generations.

Best regards

Jon Hollingbery

56, Shirehampton Rd,
Stoke Bishop

Sue Mayer

From: david mayer [dnmayer@msn.com]
Sent: 17 May 2016 14:40
To: Susan Mayer
Subject: FW: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Roger Holman,83 Coombe Lane, BS9 2AT.

-----Original Message-----

From: Roger Holman,83 Coombe Lane, BS9 2AT. [mailto:roger.holman1@virginmedia.com]
Sent: 17 May 2016 12:11
To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com
Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Roger Holman,83 Coombe Lane, BS9 2AT.

Name: Roger Holman,83 Coombe Lane, BS9 2AT.

Email Address: roger.holman1@virginmedia.com

Message:

I have enjoyed using Stoke Lodge Playing Fields since 1945. My children leaned to ride their bikes there, safely off-road, as did my grand children. My son played football there. I especially enjoyed the mature trees, and am appalled at the felling of the beautiful Cypress tree shown so nicely in your photograph. These giant conifers live for hundreds of years, and on occasion require skilled surgery to shorten or remove branches that have become structurally unsafe or weakened by gales. Clearly your "tree surgeons" lacked these skills !

Belinda Houston Stoke Lodge Parkland

From: Belinda Houston [bel.houston@btinternet.com]

Sent: 08 May 2016 12:53

To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk

Subject: Stoke Lodge Parkland

My memory of using Stoke Lodge parkland is as follows:

We moved into a house over the road from Stoke Lodge in 1996. We didn't know the area at all but we had a dog and we're friends with a local family with small children. We were unclear about our right to use the field - very convenient for us and an ideal place for playing games and walking - so we asked local people who we saw using the parkland and from various conversations gathered that it was normal practice for the community to make use of the whole area for playing games and exercise, so long as we all respected the facility and cleared afterwards. We have continued to use the area in this way regularly for the last 20 years and feel really fortunate that it's available to us.

Belinda Houston

23 Parrys Grove

FW Save Stoke Lodge Website Contact form submission from Alison Howell
From: david mayer [dnmayer@msn.com]
Sent: 11 May 2016 08:21
To: Susan Mayer
Subject: FW: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from
Alison Howell

-----Original Message-----

From: Alison Howell [mailto:Chrisandalibristol@hotmail.co.uk]
Sent: 10 May 2016 13:11
To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com
Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Alison Howell

Name: Alison Howell

Email Address: Chrisandalibristol@hotmail.co.uk

Message:

My family uses Stoke Lodge parkland virtually every day. I walk our dog there most days; our young children love the playground and we also play football with them and fly our kite on the grassland. It's also a great place to meet with other families for picnics; the mature trees are beautiful and provide lovely shade.

We live at 13 Briercliffe Road.

Regards

Alison Howell

Hilda Howell, Stoke Lodge Playing Field
From: Hilda Howell [gally.howell@gmail.com]
Sent: 10 May 2016 21:28
To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk
Subject: Stoke Lodge Playing Field.

I have lived in Woodland Grove for 60 years and have had the opportunity to use the playing field for games with my children and grandchildren ,dog walking ,and attending classes at Stoke Lodge,and sometimes a walk to get away from traffic or view a sunset. It is a place which is essential for times when one cannot travel to places further afield for relaxation . Even Blaise Estate is not possible for older people who are alone and not driving. So please do not let anyone destroy a rare place of peace and beauty in this city which has so much gridlock with traffic in surrounding areas .yours truly Hilda Howell
(Gally)

Sent
40, woodland Grove
BS9 2BB

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From: katie hughes [katie_lhughes@hotmail.com]

Sent: 08 May 2016 21:58

To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk

Subject: FW: Stoke Lodge Playing Fields

Dear Sue

As requested I am writing to let you know how I use Stoke Lodge

I walk my dog there almost daily - often meeting up with other local dog owning friends

My daughter visits the playground

My son plays rugby and cricket up there both with his mates and with St Brendan's Rugby Club

I use it to run round both with Westbury Harriers and my own running group Kt Runs Bristol (a daytime running group for local Mums)

I rarely go there without bumping in to somebody I know, it is a much used and loved facility in our household and I would be extremely sad to lose it

Best Wishes

Katie Hughes

39 Ormerod Road
Stoke Bishop
Bristol
BS9 1BA

Niamh Hughes Save Stoke lodge

From: niamh hughes [niamhinlondon@hotmail.com]

Sent: 11 May 2016 21:03

To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk

Subject: Save Stoke lodge

Hi Sue,

Just wanted to let you know that we use Stoke lodge weekly for dog walks and walks with the kids.

My address is 10 old sneed ave, bs91se.

Thanks and fingers crossed!

Niamh

Sent from my iPhone=

Sue Mayer

From: david mayer [dnmayer@msn.com]
Sent: 18 May 2016 16:41
To: Susan Mayer
Subject: FW: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Jazmin Hunka

-----Original Message-----

From: Jazmin Hunka [mailto:Jazminhunka@hotmail.com]
Sent: 17 May 2016 22:19
To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com
Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Jazmin Hunka

Name: Jazmin Hunka

Email Address: Jazminhunka@hotmail.com

Message:

Jazmin Hunka
23 Lyndale ave, Stoke Bishop, BS91BS.

I take walks around Stoke Lodge, take my cousins to the park, run around the track, in the summer relax on the grass in the surrounding and take my dogs for a walk. I have lived in the area for 18 years now and Stoke Lodge is the heart of Stoke Bishop with the play area, large fields and even a building where you can further your education. We need areas and places like this for the community.
I fully support the town or village green application

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From: Steve Hybs [steve@twevents.co.uk]**Sent:** 10 May 2016 09:23**To:** suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk**Subject:** Stoke Lodge

I am writing to express my support for designating Stoke Lodge Parkland as a Town/Village Green. I have lived in Druid Stoke Avenue for over 20 years and one of the appeals of moving here was having a Parkland facility within 300 yards. I was keen to encourage my children to run freely, play frisby, fly kites etc. Stoke Lodge has provided us all with these simple, healthy pleasures for years. I now take my Grandson there regularly and he loves kicking a football around. It is very well used by people in the area and it is a joy to see children running freely and exercising. It would be very cruel to deny children the use of the Parkland which generations have enjoyed for an eternity.

Stephen Hybs
17 Druid Stoke Avenue
Stoke Bishop
Bristol BS9 1DB

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From: Steve Hybs [steve@twevents.co.uk]**Sent:** 10 May 2016 09:23**To:** suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk**Subject:** Stoke Lodge

I am writing to express my support for designating Stoke Lodge Parkland as a Town/Village Green. I have lived in Druid Stoke Avenue for over 20 years and one of the appeals of moving here was having a Parkland facility within 300 yards. I was keen to encourage my children to run freely, play frisby, fly kites etc. Stoke Lodge has provided us all with these simple, healthy pleasures for years. I now take my Grandson there regularly and he loves kicking a football around. It is very well used by people in the area and it is a joy to see children running freely and exercising. It would be very cruel to deny children the use of the Parkland which generations have enjoyed for an eternity.

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From: Pamela Iyer [pamelaiyer@hotmail.co.uk]**Sent:** 09 May 2016 18:48**To:** suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk**Subject:** Stoke Lodge TVG

Dear Sue,

I am writing in support of the TVG application in respect of Stoke Lodge.

I've lived in Stoke Bishop for seven years and my children have been babies, toddlers and now young children here. In that time, not having access to a large garden, Stoke Lodge has been a welcome nearby exercise ground for my two boys. They've learnt to play cricket, ride scooters and play tag rugby at Stoke Lodge. They have been to picnics and waterfights, both organised by the church and impromptu, there. My older son has played for local sports teams there while his toddler brother ran around the rest of the field with his friends (as a single parent, I had to keep him with me while we watched - unlike Coombe Dingle, where only the perimeter is available for spectators, the presence of the public field kept the little ones adequately entertained for hours).

We go up there at least once a week. The children use the playground but really it's the public open space that we love; being able to run races as fast and as far as they can manage, being able to kick a football as hard as possible, seeing how far a newly re-engineered frisbee can go without worrying about neighbour's fences or, indeed, heads.

Stoke Bishop is fortunate in being an affluent area, but not everybody who lives here has the benefit of a large private garden. Despite being in a green and leafy suburb, open space and parkland is scarce. For small and for growing boys with lots of energy to burn, having a green space at the top of the road to charge around in at will is immensely important. It's important for their mother's sanity, too.

The threat of losing Stoke Lodge has made me realise how important it really is to me. As well as the above, it provided a peaceful space for reflection, or a chance to bump into a friendly neighbour, at times when I really needed it. Bringing up kids on your own is hard; having open, accessible green space near you can only help, really.

Thank you for this opportunity to support the TVG application.

With best regards

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