

**Sue Mayer**

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**From:** david mayer [dnmayer@msn.com]  
**Sent:** 22 May 2016 08:37  
**To:** Susan Mayer  
**Subject:** FW: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Keith Tadhunter

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

**From:** Keith Tadhunter [mailto:kt@f-w-m.co.uk]  
**Sent:** 21 May 2016 08:29  
**To:** stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Keith Tadhunter

Name: Keith Tadhunter

Email Address: kt@f-w-m.co.uk

Message:

My Address is - 25 Parrys Close, Bristol BS9 1AW

I feel very strongly that this area should be maintained as parkland for the benefit of the local community, both now and for future generations. The open space that this area provides is invaluable for local residents for a variety of reasons, which include sport, walking/dog walking, playing with children, picnics etc etc and if it were lost then this would have a very negative effect on the community.

Personally I use this space regularly with my children for playing, walking and two of my boys play football there every Saturday, so for them the loss of this space would be devastating.

This parkland is of enormous value to both myself and my family as well as the community in general and therefore should remain as parkland for the benefit of future generations.

I therefore fully support the 'Town or Village Green' application.

Keith Tadhunter

**Sue Mayer**

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**From:** Matt Taylor [matttaylor88@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** 19 May 2016 20:18  
**To:** suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk  
**Subject:** Stoke lodge playing fields

Hi Sue,

I have used the fields all of my life, when I was younger we played football and various other games with my friends after school and during the school holidays and weekends. I'm not as active as that anymore being 38, but I do still use Stoke lodge a few times a week to take my baby daughter for a walk and to play frisbee with my wife and also for a jog.

We also meet friends in the lodge, sometimes planned but most of the time not! That's the great thing about it as you'll always see people that you know for a chat!

Hope we're successful in protecting Stoke lodge as its a lovely community area

Kind Regards

Matthew Taylor  
3 Old Sneed Avenue  
Stoke Bishop  
BS9 1SD

Sent from my iPad=

**Sue Mayer**

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**From:** david mayer [dnmayer@msn.com]  
**Sent:** 18 May 2016 16:45  
**To:** Susan Mayer  
**Subject:** FW: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Peter Thomas

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

**From:** Peter Thomas [mailto:peterdthomas@blueyonder.co.uk]  
**Sent:** 18 May 2016 09:38  
**To:** stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Peter Thomas

Name: Peter Thomas

Email Address: peterdthomas@blueyonder.co.uk

Message:

Address; 8 Queens Gate, Stoke Bishop, Bristol BS9 1TZ

I moved back to Bristol with my family nearly twenty years ago. One of the reasons that we settled in BS9 is the public amenity that is the Stoke Lodge parkland and playing fields. When the children were smaller we used it most days, to walk, for exercise and recreation. To this day we walk the grounds at least once a week, and when friends come with their children we play sport there, kicking a football or throwing a rugby ball. I absolutely support the Town or Village Green application. This is a vital space for local people and has effectively been used as a Town or Village Green for generations.  
Peter Thomas

**Sue Mayer**

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**From:** Joy Thorpe [thorpevilla@googlemail.com]  
**Sent:** 21 May 2016 18:06  
**To:** suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk  
**Subject:** Town Green Statement of Usage.

I support the motion that Stoke Lodge Parkland should be designated as a Town or Village Green. Since moving to this house in 1968, I have been pleased to use Stoke Lodge Parkland. It was the ideal traffic free, airy, green space to take children to play whatever their age. Children, grandchildren, many friends have been taken there. My husband and I love to walk on the fields and look at the beautiful old trees which we have spent many happy hours drawing and watercolour painting over the years. Wonderful Parkland! Long may it last!

Joy Thorpe, 4 Poplar Ave, BS9 2BE.

Sent from my iPad=



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**From:** Ronald Thorpe [thorpevilla@googlemail.com]**Sent:** 21 May 2016 13:53**To:** suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk**Subject:** Town Green Statement of usage

I and my family have been regular users of Stoke Lodge Parkland since we moved to 4 Poplar Avenue BS9 2BE from Cardiff in 1968.

We have used it for recreation enjoying its variety of trees through the seasons and practiced art, drawing and painting.

I support the motion that Stoke Lodge Parkland should be designated as a Town or Village Green.

Ronald Thorpe

**From:** Stella <[stellamarkar@gmail.com](mailto:stellamarkar@gmail.com)>

**Date:** 20 May 2016 at 16:59:16 BST

**Subject: Re: Stoke Lodge Playground. BS9**

Dear sir or Madame,

My name is Stella and I live in 6 Cheyne road with my husband, 15 years old daughter and my dog. My daughter has cerebral palsy and this field is the only place she can go independently, walk the dog and see friends. I really hope you would consider this letter. The Stoke lodge is very important for us as a family fun outdoor activity. We use it daily and sometimes even more than twice.

Yours sincerely

Stella Tomas

Sent from my iPad

Name - Kathy Toole

Address - 6 Clifton High Grove, Stoke Bishop. BS9 1TU

0117 9682685

> On 8 May 2016, at 10:30, Kathryn Toole <ktoole@btinternet.com> wrote:

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> Dear Sue

> I wanted to share my thoughts about the valuable green space we have 5 minutes from our front door. We moved to Stoke Bishop in 1993 and have enjoyed using Stoke Lodge a great deal over the past 23 years. When the children were younger we used the field weekly for walks, picnics, learning to ride bikes, blackberry picking, exploring nature, family games of rounders, cricket and hide and seek.

> When the children were older they used it to meet friends play football, practise golf etc. For the past 10 years we have used the parkland several times a week to exercise our dog. We currently use the space about 3-4 times a week.

> The area benefits hugely from having this free open space.

> Thank you.

> Yours sincerely

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> Kathy Toole

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Townsend Rebecca

From: Rebecca Townsend [bext.town@gmail.com]

Sent: 07 May 2016 22:16

To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk

Subject: Stoke Lodge village green

Sue,

Please use this email and photographs as evidence to support the TVG and stop the Council and those involved from removing the green space from public use.

I have walked on these fields since 2000 when we moved to Bristol. Both my children have learnt to play football, ride bicycles and play with their friends on the green fields. They have grown up having these fields on their doorstep - the only green area accessible by foot.

I walk my dogs regularly on the parkland and we frequent the space during holidays, after school and early morning for all kinds of recreational use - using the perimeter, the kids activity area and the main fields - the whole site.

This area is to stay as it is - used for recreational play, walking, running, sport or a picnic on a rug - it is not to be taken away from the community nor is it to alter it's use.

I adamantly support the village green application and totally oppose the change of use.

I offer you my support.

My family and I live on Avonleaze in Sea Mills.

Regards

4, Avonleaze, Sea Mills

BS 9 2HU

Rebecca

FROM: June Tweeney,

E- Mail: [june.tweeney@open.ac.uk](mailto:june.tweeney@open.ac.uk)

20th May 2016

Dear Sue Mayer,

I am writing to express my disappointment and anger at the objectors to Stoke Lodge's application for VillageGreen status and to express how vehemently I believe Stoke Lodge playing fields should be granted the TVG status to protect it and enable indemnity from future development from the likes of Bristol University and Cotham High School who have vested financial interests and are not interested in how building work and removing the space from the residents would affect the community.

We are lucky in Stoke Bishop to have this green space and it is a valuable addition to our neighbourhood and one we should preserve. It is used recreationally and has been for many years certainly by my family. Below demonstrates some of the ways I believe it has been and continues to be used:

- My daughter in the late 1980s and 90s regularly enjoyed much time playing out in the fields with a family who lived on Shirehampton Road and whose garden backed onto the field directly. It was lovely to have this space and extension of the garden.
- Along with the other children my daughter learnt to ride a bicycle there as it was a safe area.
- We held children's parties on the field and used it to play rounders and Kwik Cricket.
- The local Brownie Packs (late 1980s/90s) from Stoke Bishop and Westbury often went to the fields to play sports. Six or so local packs used to hold their annual Sports Day type event on the playing fields.
- My daughter is a Brownie leader now and the Westbury pack still use the fields now to practice for Sport Day as it benefits from having the track marked out in the summer.
- Currently we go there to run as it is more pleasurable than running on the roads.

This is one family's experiences but I am sure we are not alone in having benefitted from having this amenity and taken pleasure in it.

My address is as follows:

16 Old Sneed Avenue,  
Stoke Bishop,  
Bristol,  
BS9 1SE.



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

> From: Anna Vicary [mailto:annavicary@blueyonder.co.uk]  
> Sent: 18 May 2016 17:24  
> To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com  
> Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Anna Vicary

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> Name: Anna Vicary

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> Email Address: annavicary@blueyonder.co.uk

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> Message:

> We are a family of four who live on Downs Cote Drive. We use the the whole  
> of Stoke Lodge park for meeting up, cycling to, picnics, bug hunting,  
> walking dogs, flying kites, the play park (appreciating the open green space  
> around this play area in the city). We also very much enjoy seeing a green  
> open space when walking, driving or cycling past. Bristol, Green Capital,  
> should preserve green spaces. Bristol is a particularly green feeling city  
> and this should be protected at all costs. Once lost, this community  
> treasure will never be regained and future generations will lose out,  
> affecting their health, attitudes and well-being. A small wildlife area with  
> native plants would be a lovely addition.  
> 29 Downs Cote Drive, BS9 3TS.

Happy to go on mailing list,

Yours,

Anna Vicary

17, Sunnyside, Stoke Birk ~~329~~ 20th May 2016  
BS 9 1 BQ

Re Status of Stoke Lodge Playing Field

my wife & I write in connection with the appeal concerning the future usage of Stoke Lodge Playing Field.

We Understand that free access & recreational usage is in jeopardy

As Residents in close proximity to Stoke Lodge for the last 35 years we must say as walkers & Lovers of such beautiful open space, that we are appalled that we and all those that follow us, may be denied this RIGHT. it is much used, both for sports pursuits - Saturday mornings junior football, adult rugby & football & summer cricket AND when not used thus, young families to enjoy, older people like ourselves to gain Exercise & fresh air.

Then of course the local residents out with their Dogs a delight as Animal Lovers to see balls being chased dogs romping & animals very friendly & approachable. Have we seen a nasty & unpleasant dog that children are afraid of - No ?

Have we ever seen undesirables about No ! ?

This is a wide open space very much on view to passing pedestrians & traffic - making for a much safer environment.

So, for whatever & whoever, wants to deny ~~access to~~ ~~no locals access to no locals~~ this much used & much cherished open space we say yes the status quo must remain, & if under the village space appeal this obtains the ~~of~~ goal then please uphold.

It will be a retrograde step to deny access.

yours faithfully

J & D VIVIAN

**From:** i\_vickery@sky.com

**Sent:** 08 May 2016 11:19

**To:** Sue Mayer

**Subject:** Re: SSLP - Town Green Statement of usage

FAO Sue.

You will know that I have contacted you over quite a long time regarding my own, and my families use of Stoke Lodge Parkland.

Thus just another short version might be useful -

I left the RAF in 1962, being as fit as I will ever be having been part of the Far East Parachute Rescue Team,

and I found that I needed to continue physical training to maintain the 24 hour "on call" duties as a Consultant

Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeon that I inherited - "see Junior Doctors" !!!!!!!.

Thus for over 50 years I, my family & dogs, have used ALL the Stoke Lodge Parkland, ie not just the perimeter,

and any restriction in continued use would be devastating.

Regards

Dr I M Vickery.

37, Druid Stoke Avenue,  
Stoke Bishop



**From:** Peter and Jenny Weeks [peter.weeks@blueyonder.co.uk]  
**Sent:** 20 May 2016 09:00  
**To:** Sue Mayer  
**Subject:** SSLP - Town Green Statement of usage

Here is my statement in support of the TVG application.

I am Peter Weeks living at 2A Druid Rd, Stoke Bishop, Bristol, BS9 1LH, about 800 metres from the Stoke Lodge park and have lived here with my family since 1991.

Stoke Lodge is our nearest park and so it is the place we go to most often when we want to be outside. My family and I have used Stoke Lodge about once a week since 1991 for:

- walks around and across the parkland, for the simple pleasure of walking in the open to enjoy the trees and wildlife
- playing ball games like football and hockey with our children when young
- teaching our children to ride a bicycle
- walking our neighbour's dogs occasionally
- kite flying and model aeroplane flying
- picnics with our children when young
- an annual informal rounders match with friends and their children.

Our children were both members of the local Scout Group (43rd Bristol) who often make use of Stoke Lodge for outdoor activities.

My wife and I tend to walk all around and across the whole of Stoke Park. We usually enter at the S corner, over the wall near Druid Stoke Ave, and go out via Cheyne Rd or West Dene. Of course when football or cricket are being played we stay outside the playing area, but otherwise we regard Stoke Lodge as a public park and have done so since 1991 without any problem.

[illegible]

Hope this helps. Best wishes for what you and David are doing to protect Stoke Lodge.

Regards

Peter Weeks

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**From:** Jenny Weeks [jenny.weeks.mail@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** 08 May 2016 21:34  
**To:** Sue Mayer  
**Subject:** Stoke Lodge should be a village green

We moved to Stoke Bishop in 1991. Since then Stoke Lodge fields have been an important part of our enjoyment of living in this area. Let me list some of the things we have done there over the years:

- When our sons were young we had unofficial football parties there .
- Later we gathered up there with friends and neighbours and all the children to play rounders
- We have enjoyed trying to do long jumps with the family and visitors although in recent years this space has been neglected
- Great place for teaching our son's dog to retrieve and to practise ball throwing
- Wonderful area to walk through and feel the green all around us

Please let us keep having free access to this important space for the community

Jenny Weeks  
2a Druid Rd  
Bristol BS9 1LH



**Sue Mayer**

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**From:** Kathy Welham [k\_welham@yahoo.co.uk]  
**Sent:** 14 May 2016 17:18  
**To:** suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk  
**Subject:** Stoke Lodge

Dear Sue,

I'm writing to express my dismay at the suggestion that Stoke Lodge Parkland should no longer be open for the enjoyment and recreational use of local Bristol people.

I moved to Stoke Bishop with my family in 2005 and we have all walked, played, picnicked and wandered aimlessly all over the park regularly at all times of day. I take my grandchildren there to let off steam, explore the fringes and to run where they like, unhindered for once. It's such a joy! They love the beautiful new playground, but more than anything they benefit from the space. We enjoy the trees, spot butterflies and and we all benefit hugely from a peaceful green area that is very different from the Downs, large but enclosed and away from crowds, traffic, noise and staged events. I meet people I know and others I would never come across if I didn't go. It's a priceless place of a kind that is now rare: there's nothing like it anywhere near. Apart from anything else, it's accessible on foot to a large residential area. Families can come and leave the car at home.

We need open places like Stoke Lodge. The importance for our physical, mental and emotional health of spending regular time in open, natural, green areas is well known and proven. Too many have been taken away from us, and Stoke Lodge must not be the next. We should strongly resist any attempt to limit our free access to it.

Kathy Welham,  
22 Shaplands,  
Stoke Bishop,  
Bristol BS9 1AY

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**Sue Mayer**

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**From:** Philip Wells [wells188sl@blueyonder.co.uk]  
**Sent:** 21 May 2016 22:28  
**To:** suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk  
**Subject:** Save Stoke Lane Parkland

From: Margaret Wells  
Address: 188 Stoke Lane  
Westbury on Trym  
Bristol  
BS9 3RU

Date: 21<sup>st</sup> May 2016

My submission:

My family have enjoyed many a picnic on Stoke Lodge, three generations of us, enjoying a picnic tea and then games including rounders, races and French cricket. My grandsons are now fairly grown up but when they are home they love to remember the tree they used to run around and they never fail but go to the area. We now have a second generation of Grandchildren who live locally and also use the park in the evenings and weekends for games and relaxation. I also remember my children having Jubilee races there, and my husband and I never miss a week walking across Stoke Loge Playing fields. Margaret Wells

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

22/05/2016

**Sue Mayer**

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**From:** david mayer [dnmayer@msn.com]  
**Sent:** 20 May 2016 16:21  
**To:** Susan Mayer  
**Subject:** FW: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Eric & Sheila White

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

**From:** Eric & Sheila White [mailto:ericwhite1@talktalk.net]  
**Sent:** 19 May 2016 15:33  
**To:** stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Eric & Sheila White

Name: Eric & Sheila White

Email Address: ericwhite1@talktalk.net

Message:

We live at 18 Queens Gate (just opposite the parkland) and use the park on a frequent basis purely for exercise and to enjoy the open green space. We believe it would be a tragedy for this to be lost and strongly support the 'Town or Village Green' initiative.

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

> From: Ruth Wicks [mailto:ruth\_wicks@hotmail.com]  
> Sent: 11 May 2016 11:02  
> To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk  
> Subject: Stoke Lodge Parkland  
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> We have lived a 4minute walk from this special place for 41 years.  
> Our children and now grandchildren as well as us value all of this  
> space for exercise, fun and games.  
> We have witnessed the loss of 'The Grove' playing fields .....  
> please leave us Stoke Lodge Parkland !  
> This is a vital amenity, most accessible and central within the community.  
>  
> Ruth Wicks  
6 St. Hilary Close,  
Stoke Bishop,  
Bristol  
BS9 1 DA.



Dear Sirs

I write to express my concern and strong objection to the possible change of status of Stoke Lodge Parklands.

I have lived in Old Sneed Avenue since 1971 and the area has been a part of my families life through three generations.

My son was born 1972 and my daughter two years later. My wife and I used to walk them over the open space and as soon as they were old enough both of them played any number of games, kicking a football, bowling a cricket ball or hitting a tennis ball.

A regular beauty spot for picnics and winter walks on snowy days. The tree which has recently had to be taken down was and will always be known to us as "the umbrella tree".

I remember my son trying for ages and on several occasions to fly his kite. We never did get the hang of it!

I still regularly walk over the land and enjoy to watch the games of cricket or football when they are being played.

My son has recently presented us with a granddaughter. I sincerely hope that we will not be denied the pleasure of watching her continue the family tradition. It's the only open space that we can easily walk to and perfect for so many enjoyable family leisure occasions.

Hoping future generations will not be denied this wonderful facility that has been a large part on my life.

Yours

David Windebank  
5 Old Sneed Avenue  
Bristol BS9 1SD



Dear Sirs

Re. Stoke Lodge Parklands.

I would like to add my comments to those of my husband regarding the above.

I wholehearted agree with him and hope that this entire green space will remain as an open area to be enjoyed by the local community for as long as children want to run and nearby residents want some where pleasant to walk.

Angela Windebank  
5 Old Sneed Avenue  
BS9 1SD.

**From:** Sue Williams [<mailto:bristolsuewilliams@msn.com>]  
**Sent:** 18 May 2016 20:11  
**To:** [suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk)  
**Subject:** Village Green status for Stoke Lodge Playing Field

Dear Sue,

My name is Sue Williams and am emailing you regarding Stoke Lodge Playing Field.

Having the field secure a village green status would ensure the pleasure that the field gives to so many people, and has done for so many years, will continue.

I have many friends who back onto the field from Woodland Grove and have been walking dogs, having picnics and even one neighbour hosts an annual sports day for the local families and children, opening her garden for a BBQ too!

I use the field on a regular basis, walking over to my friends in Woodland Grove, walking my dog (yes I do pick up!), we have picnics there and my daughters have done sports there regularly.

It would be fantastic if a village green status could be secured.

I live BS9 1SD Old Sneed Avenue and many of my neighbours use the field the pleasure pastimes too.

You definitely have my support in wanting a village green status. We've lost the tennis courts and football pitches to development to mention just a few.

Yours sincerely,

Sue Williams

7 Old Sneed Avenue,

Stoke Bishop,

Bristol.

BS9 1SD

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**Sue Mayer**

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**From:** Suk-Yee Wong [syw-888@hotmail.co.uk]  
**Sent:** 16 May 2016 20:03  
**To:** suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk  
**Subject:** FW: Stoke Lodge

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From: syw-888@hotmail.co.uk  
To: suemayer@blueyonder.com  
Subject: Stoke Lodge  
Date: Mon, 16 May 2016 19:01:27 +0000

Fao Sue Mayer

From Suk Yee Wong  
3 Druid Close  
Stoke Bishop  
BS9 1RZ

This is to confirm I totally support Stoke Lodge being kept as a public park space for the use and enjoyment of the the locals, visitors and anyone else.

This open space adds tremendous quality of life to all who use it and must not be partitioned off in any way. I have enjoyed numerous walks around this area and my children have grown up playing there. This should not be denied to future generations.

Please count on my support to preserve Stoke Lodge as it is.

Kind regards,

Suk Yee Wong.

17/05/2016

**Sue Mayer**

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**From:** david mayer [dnmayer@msn.com]  
**Sent:** 18 May 2016 16:46  
**To:** Susan Mayer  
**Subject:** FW: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from David Wood

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

**From:** David Wood [mailto:woodydave@me.com]  
**Sent:** 18 May 2016 14:14  
**To:** stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from David Wood

**Name:** David Wood

**Email Address:** woodydave@me.com

**Message:**

23 Queens Gate, Stoke Bishop, Bristol, BS9 1TZ I Support the Town or Village Green application I use Stoke Lodge on a daily basis for dog walking, jogging and playing sports with my children.

My Son learnt to ride his first bike on Stoke Lodge and My daughter and I used to collect acorns under the Oak trees. We fly kites there and have family picnics. When I was a child I used to play football on Stoke Lodge with friends. As teenagers it was a place we would go to meet up, relax and have a laugh.

Stoke Lodge should remain a space that the public can enjoy and not developed for financial gain.

David Wood

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**From:** David Woodward [dandjwoodward@hotmail.co.uk]

**Sent:** 09 May 2016 17:33

**To:** suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk

**Subject:** SSLP Town Green

Dear Sue Mayer

As a local resident who has lived approx. 300 yards from Stoke Lodge playing fields since 1982 I can confirm that ,during the period from 1990 and 2011 approx., I have used all areas with my wife , our two children ,friends both together and individually to:

- 1.Play cricket.
2. Play Football
3. Play rounders
4. Coach our daughter in shotputting.
5. Practice "chipping" with a golf club.
6. Picnic and play various games .
7. Walk on the whole site.
8. "Exercise " our young children and use the fields to learn to ride a bicycle without stabilisers .
9. As they grew up our children would take themselves to Stoke Lodge where they would meet up with friends to play and socialise.

Yours sincerely

David Woodward

4 Cedar Grove

BS9 1BX



**From:** Gina Woodward [woodward.aim88@gmail.com]

**Sent:** 13 May 2016 10:47

**To:** suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk

**Subject:** Stoke Lodge

Dear Sue,

I am Gina Woodward (18) and have lived in Queens Gate since it was built. I have used Stoke Lodge as a park where I have enjoyed meeting with my friends sitting in the fields over many years and have never had any trouble or problems gaining open access to enjoy the land. Keep up the good work you are doing so future generations can enjoy the fields like I have done growing up.

Yours sincerely,

Gina.

35, QUEENS GATE

STOKE BISHOP

**From:** Ian Woodward [ian.aim88@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** 07 May 2016 17:55  
**To:** Susan Mayer  
**Subject:** Fwd: SSLP - Town Green Statement of usage  
Hi Sue,

I have lived at Queens Gate since the development was built over 15 years ago. Since that time I have enjoyed free access to Stoke Lodge and wandered free across all parts of the area both walking / following my dog and strolling with my wife since our dog died. The fields have only occasional by footballers and badly maintained for facilities. It was the Cotham Head who himself called them "little better than open fields" at a recent Neighbourhood partnership meeting and myself who reminded him that the very good reason for this was that this what what the primary purpose had been for many many years. Anyone who cares to spend some time at Stoke Lodge will see a prime example of shared use facility in operation - Football, Dog walkers, runners, strollers, children's groups. All with free access to all parts of the grounds. I for one believe that football - both organised & casual and all forms of shared use should continue to be encouraged - but officials Councils sudden interest in restricting access and apparent secretive discussions to avoid public scrutiny / negative response suggest that the very people who should be protecting our limited open space are the people whom Stoke Lodge desperately needs protection from.

I urge Town Green status to be granted. Please do submit this email as declaration to the Public Enquiry.

Best regards,  
Ian

35, Queens Gate, BS9 1TZ

**From:** Nick Wright [netw@talktalk.net]  
**Sent:** 10 May 2016 10:15  
**To:** 'Sue Mayer'  
**Subject:** RE: Members usage of Stoke Lodge from 1990 - 2011

Hi Sue

Herewith my statement:

I have lived in the locality for 48 years. I have used Stoke Lodge during that time before my marriage and then afterwards with my children when they were young. We then had a series of dogs and have used the facility of the field for walking as it is a safe place for people on their own. The children would accompany me when not at school, and we would have little picnics as well.

Throughout the time mentioned above, I and other residents have had free access to the field, keeping out of the way of any games activities that may have been in progress.

Today, 9<sup>th</sup> May 2016, my walking companion and I were accosted by an employee of Coombe Dingle Sports Centre who challenged our use of the field with the dogs, saying that dogs were not allowed. As there were quite a few other people with dogs on the field we took no notice of what he said and continued with our walk as usual keeping to the edges of the field as we have always done. I feel we were picked on as we were two

Ladies on our own. We spoke to several other people, two of whom were men and nothing had been said to them.

Mrs Ann WRIGHT

95A, COOMBE LANE.

WESTBURY-ON-TRYM

From: Julie Wright [julie.wright33@outlook.com]  
Sent: 10 May 2016 15:12  
To: Susan Mayer  
Subject: Statement of usage for Stoke Lodge Playing Fields

I wish to confirm that I have used Stoke Lodge Playing Fields since 1984. My first "introduction" to the field was walking through the Cheyne Road entrance and playing ball games with my children. When my son started school at Cedar Park we would walk through the Cheyne Road entrance, cross the field and exit through the car park at Stoke Lodge House.

Over the years myself and my family have used the field extensively for ball games, kite flying, bike riding, cricket matches etc. I have made use of the "sports facilities" that were there....I've used the long jump pit, run around the race track and played rounders on the marked out pitch!

I often walk from my house (24, West Dene) across the field to Shirehampton Road as a short cut to the bus stop and the shops. I have been doing this regularly for well over 20 years.

Julie Wright  
24, WEST DENE  
STOKE BISHOP



**Sue Mayer**

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**From:** Anita Young [anita.young@blueyonder.co.uk]  
**Sent:** 19 May 2016 09:35  
**To:** Sue Mayer  
**Subject:** Stoke lodge field

Sue

This is to confirm that I have used the field over the years, and still do, on numerous occasions for fitness purposes, by running/jogging both around the perimeter and across the field as part of my exercise routine. I also use this for occasional walking as well, as it is softer underfoot compared with the pavements.

When my nephew visits we will go up to the field to kick a ball around, because it is near to my home and safe.

This does depend on the weather and condition of the grass if too wet.

I hope this helps the cause

Regards

Ken young  
5 West Dene

Sent from my iPad

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**From:** Jayne Youngs [jayney250@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** 11 May 2016 21:47  
**To:** 'Sue Mayer'  
**Subject:** RE: My Stoke Lodge Usage  
That's 15 West Dene.

Regards,  
J

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**From:** Sue Mayer [mailto:suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk]  
**Sent:** 11 May 2016 11:26  
**To:** jayney250@gmail.com  
**Subject:** RE: My Stoke Lodge Usage

Hi Jayne,  
Thank you for your note, unfortunately you omitted to say where you live and I do not seem to have you on our mailing list but that's not a problem, there is no requirement to be a member. However if it was your intention to support us at the Public Inquiry with this statement, we will need your address to be included in it as verification.  
Look forward to hearing from you,  
Kind Regards,  
Sue

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**From:** david mayer [mailto:dnmayer@msn.com]  
**Sent:** 09 May 2016 23:53  
**To:** Susan Mayer  
**Subject:** FW: My Stoke Lodge Usage

FYI

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**From:** Jayne Youngs [mailto:jayney250@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** 09 May 2016 21:01  
**To:** stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** My Stoke Lodge Usage

Following our chat at Stoke Lodge last week, I can confirm that we absolutely support the TVG application.

My family and I have lived in West Dene since 2002 and we use Stoke Lodge frequently for the walking, running, ball games and West Dene – South Dene community picnics.

It would be a sad loss for the community if free access was lost.

Yours sincerely,  
Jayne Youngs

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**From:** JUDITH YOUNG [hellbay20@btinternet.com]**Sent:** 08 May 2016 12:21**To:** suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk**Subject:** SSLP - Town Green Statement of usage

I have been a resident of Stoke Bishop since 1971 and for many years have enjoyed initially taking my children when babies for walks to Stoke Lodge Parkland, over the years I moved to Shirehampton Road right opposite Stoke Lodge and lived ther for 18 years which meant the children when growing up could go over the road to the park and play with friends, take part in Playgroup events and Brownie and Guide events. Would that the wonderful children's playground had been available when my children were small.

Latterly I have moved to Queens Gate and being less mobile it gives me great pleasure to be able to cross the road and wander around the field and admire the flora and fauna. The demise of the Cedar of Lebanon Tree was a great sadness but now the carving of this historic tree into its new guise gives daily interest and inspiration to many. This access is something which should not be taken away from the local community.

Judith Young

20, Queens Gate BS9 1TZ

**Sue Mayer**

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**From:** david mayer [dnmayer@msn.com]  
**Sent:** 19 May 2016 09:57  
**To:** Susan Mayer  
**Subject:** FW: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Jaleh Zeinali

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

**From:** Jaleh Zeinali [mailto:greendentalpractice@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** 19 May 2016 09:35  
**To:** stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Jaleh Zeinali

**Name:** Jaleh Zeinali

**Email Address:** greendentalpractice@gmail.com

**Message:**

Jaleh Zeinali

15 Lyndale Avenue, Stoke Bishop, Bristol BS9 1BS Walks and family picnics as it's the nearest green land to me,  
I value this green land and use the whole site.  
I support the village green application.