
From: Tony Forster [mailto:TForster@metcalfes.co.uk]

Sent: 23 May 2016 14:16

To: 'suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk'

Subject: Stoke Lodge Playing Fields

I can confirm that I have regularly used the whole of the playing fields at Stoke Lodge on a regular basis since approx. 1996 . I have walked across them myself , especially during the summer months and I took my children across the fields when they were young for walks ; when they were learning to ride their bikes and during the Autumn on conker searches .

I believe it appropriate for their status to be that of a Village Green because of such unrestricted use by me - and by many others , as the fields were never empty on any occasion when I was using them . and I would be loath to approve a variation of the status of the Playing Fields from that of a Village Green to something else without receiving several irrevocable unconditional assurances of comfort relating to their future use .
regards

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Sue Mayer

From: Bridget [bridget_brook@hotmail.com]**Sent:** 23 May 2016 09:41**To:** suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk**Subject:** Stoke Lodge Fields

Sue,

I can confirm that our family has continuously made use of the Stoke Lodge field for informal recreation,

since moving to Bristol in the early 80s.

Our four children attended Cedar Park School and it was lovely to have such an open space for them to enjoy after school.

Their activities made use of the whole area - rounders, cricket and running about.

We still enjoy the green space and frequently use it for walks and appreciate its openness.

I feel very strongly that it should be kept open, just as the Downs have been, for community activity, as Stoke Bishop's "Village Green"

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23/05/2016

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

From: Wendy Hull [mailto:wendy@bristol9.plus.com]

Sent: 23 May 2016 22:50

To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk

Subject: Stoke Lodge

Dear Sue

I have used Stoke Lodge Playing Field since I was a child back in the 1950's. Initially I used to play with friends after school, then later when I was married and lived locally we frequently met with friends to have a picnic there and play rounders.

Since my grandson was born we have regularly taken him to the field to play catch and football. He really enjoys having the space to run around freely and kick a ball without the restrictions that he has in a garden and will be really upset if this is no longer possible.

Please pass on my comments

Many thanks

Wendy

Wendy Hull
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Sent from my iPhone

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Sue Mayer

From: Bob Harris [bobjharris@blueyonder.co.uk]**Sent:** 23 May 2016 23:38**To:** suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk**Subject:** Years of Stoke Lodge use

Dear Sue,

Jenny Weeks reminded me to submit this note to you. I hope it may be useful.

Regards,

Robert J Harris

39 Coombe Lane
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Tel: 0117 968 1045

Our Local Green

My wife and I together with our two children, aged 9 and 6, returned to Bristol in 1978. How delighted we were, having settled into our new home, to find that there was a beautiful green space just 10 minutes walk away. Visits could mean watching local teams playing football or rugby, and cricket in the summer months, or space to run around and to kick or catch a ball for our offspring. It was always a joy over the years to be able to have access to that space for ball games, a walk, and time in the open air with our growing children who were able to 'run free'. Almost four decades later as active retired grandparents our visits to Stoke Lodge are more frequent and longer. With ages ranging from 12 to 4, Stoke Lodge with its dedicated play area is a valued place for our five grandchildren for their active, healthy and safe recreation in the great outdoors, which surely should be an accessible right for everyone.

RJH

dnmayer@msn.com

From: dnmayer@msn.com on behalf of david mayer
Sent: 22 May 2016 08:42
To: Susan Mayer
Subject: FW: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Kathryn Robinson

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

From: Kathryn Robinson [<mailto:holder kj@hotmail.com>]
Sent: 21 May 2016 15:25
To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com
Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Kathryn Robinson

Name: Kathryn Robinson

Email Address: holder kj@hotmail.com

Message:

This Parkland has been used almost daily by us over the last 17years for dogwalking and children's sports activities (football and ruby training). It is a wonderful area to have and it serves so many different people from the surrounding area and from the local school at Cotham. Please do not build on it! I know we have Blaise very close...but this cannot fulfil the sports field role which is so essential in our increasing sedentary and overweight world.

I support the Town or Village Green Application.

Best wishes

Kathryn Robinson

7 Stoke Paddock Rd BS9 2DJ

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From: dnmayer@msn.com on behalf of david mayer
Sent: 22 May 2016 08:42
To: Susan Mayer
Subject: FW: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Peter March

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

From: Peter March [<mailto:peter.march@blueyonder.co.uk>]
Sent: 21 May 2016 22:25
To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com
Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Peter March

Name: Peter March

Email Address: peter.march@blueyonder.co.uk

Message:

I have regularly used Stoke Lodge Parkland over the past 30 years to walk and play games, particularly football, with my children and grandchildren. This unique open area in Stoke Bishop should be maintained as a community amenity and for use by schoolchildren as necessary. I strongly support the application for Town or Village Green status.

Peter March

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From: dnmayer@msn.com on behalf of david mayer
Sent: 22 May 2016 08:43
To: Susan Mayer
Subject: FW: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Gill and Alistair Hannan

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

From: Gill and Alistair Hannan [<mailto:gill.hannan@hotmail.com>]
Sent: 21 May 2016 15:07
To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com
Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Gill and Alistair Hannan

Name: Gill and Alistair Hannan

Email Address: gill.hannan@hotmail.com

Message:

We use the parkland two or three times per week to go for walks. From 1999 when we moved here until recently when our children left home, they played in stoke lodge every day during the summer evenings and school holidays.

This is a beautiful and valued asset which enhances the lives of many. It allows children to play safely , outside getting exercise in a lovely natural environment.

We absolutely support the Town or Village Green application. If we loose this space to developers then we will loose the soul and lungs of our community. It should be preserved for all to enjoy.

dnmayer@msn.com

From: Benjamin Tucker [tuckerbp@icloud.com]
Sent: 22 May 2016 20:28
To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com
Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Benjamin Tucker

Name: Benjamin Tucker

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Message:

10A Stoke Paddock Road, BS92DJ.

As a family we use the parkland on a very regular basis, our two year old son enjoys the use of the play area's virtually every day, and accessing via park via the Cheyne Avenue entrance means we do not need to negotiate the main roads. In addition, he loves the wide open space, literally running around the fields.

We go out to watch the junior football every weekend, and are very much looking forward to our son taking part in this as soon as he is old enough.

From an exercise perspective both myself and my partner use the park for running, every other day, it is a superb place to run - safe off the roads and a wide perimeter distance per lap.

We value the amenity hugely, using the entire site on a regular basis and would be devastated to see it developed for any other use than its existing purpose. On a personal level we also feel that Bristol has very few open parkland areas left, and to see development authorised would be an example of yet another of Bristol's 'gems' lost forever.

We 100% support yhr 'save the stoke lodge parkland' and would be very happy indeed to speak at the hearing - or indeed help in any other way to ensure that this space is not lost!

Regards,

Mr B Tucker

dnmayer@msn.com

From: Gemma Friend [gcfriend@hotmail.co.uk]
Sent: 22 May 2016 19:38
To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com
Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Gemma Friend

Name: Gemma Friend

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Message:

54 Stoke Hill. BS9 1ER.

My family & I, have lived in Stoke Bishop for 8 years & since having kids 6 yrs ago, we regularly walk to the playing fields to exercise, ride bikes & enjoy the 'country feel' of the surroundings. Restricted by a small garden, I take my boys up to the fields to play football/rugby, so they can properly run about. I was looking forward to my kids' teenage years when they could meet their friends to continue playing sport independently on the fields, long after they have grown out of the park that we use now on a weekly basis, after school (Stoke Bishop Primary) & at weekends.

We object to the proposal to fence off the area & would like it to have village green status so for many years to come we will have the right to freely roam & use the greens as we choose.

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From: Alicia Holbrook [aliciajholbrook@gmail.com]
Sent: 23 May 2016 07:38
To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com
Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Alicia Holbrook

Name: Alicia Holbrook

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Message:

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Having lived in this area of Bristol for the last twenty eight years I have witnessed our open spaces diminish. I support 100% 'Town or Village Green' Status to keep this last existing oasis of nature.

I greatly value having this natural open space. I walk,run, socialise,bird watch,forage (I'm told I make a cracking elderflower cordial!) on this land. Recently enjoying the safe space to walk after serious illness. It has given me great pleasure to see this develop into a real community space where children are welcome and have an interesting stimulating place to play.

Regards

Alicia Holbrook

dnmayer@msn.com

From: Claire Young [Claire.young@cgu.com.au]
Sent: 23 May 2016 08:43
To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com
Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Claire Young

Name: Claire Young

Email Address: Claire.young@cgu.com.au

Message:

I wanted to register my support for your efforts to protect the Stoke Lodge parkland. I grew up opposite Stoke Lodge and spent my entire childhood playing, cycling and hiding in amongst the beautiful trees.

It would be such a shame for anything other than permanent preservation to take place for this lovely oasis in Stoke Bishop.

I wish you every success. I now live in Australia but my family are still in the area and I felt it was important to register my support, even though I cannot attend the critical upcoming meeting.

Regards, Claire Young

dnmayer@msn.com

From: Victoria Yates [clanyates@gmail.com]
Sent: 23 May 2016 14:47
To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com
Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Victoria Yates

Name: Victoria Yates

Email Address: clanyates@gmail.com

Message:

I am writing in support of the 'Town or Village Green' application. We regularly use the park after school, usually 2 or 3 times a week, during this time we will spend time in the play park area but we also play ball sports in the grassland area including cricket, rugby and football. We value Stock Lodge as it provides somewhere for all three of my children to spend time outside in a safe enclosed area where they can do various activities.

My address is 4 Arbutus Drive, BS9 2PJ

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From: Pauline Reynolds, 79 Bell Barn Road. BS9 2DF [westburyparkdancecentre@hotmail.com]
Sent: 23 May 2016 16:17
To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com
Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Pauline Reynolds, 79 Bell Barn Road. BS9 2DF

Name: Pauline Reynolds, 79 Bell Barn Road. BS9 2DF

Email Address: westburyparkdancecentre@hotmail.com

Message:

Stoke Lodge playing fields, the clue is in the name. It is playing fields for all ages, young children using the new play area, older children for football and cricket in school time and evenings.

Older generations meet up, chat at all times of day and evening whilst walking their dogs, so this becomes a social pastime getting them out of the house!

I fall into all of these categories. Watching my Grandchildren now, before it was my 3 children. We have picnics in the huge area, using the trees for shelter when it rains, playing games when it's dry. There is no where quite like Stoke Lodge Playing field, with its little bit of wood where pirates hide their treasure having sailed up to Sea mills Harbour! Then you have the open space to let off steam and chase each other before returning home. Picking blackberries with the children, coming home and making crumbles, walking the dogs, meeting people...wonderful space.

From: Alan Aburrow [alanaburrow@tiscali.co.uk]

Sent: 07 May 2016 18:07

To: Sue Mayer

Subject: SSLP - Town Green Statement of Usage

Dear Sue

In response to your plea about usage of Stoke Lodge Parkland, I am happy to confirm that – as a child, living in Glen Drive in the late 40's and early 50's - lots of us children regularly visited Stoke Lodge by way of an "expedition" and "adventure".

This involved us roaming across the whole site as gangs, playing "Cowboys and Indians" and other such games – "tracking" comes to mind.

Also, when I attended the original Stoke Bishop School (off Kewstoke Road), we used to have school dinners in the Nissen Huts on Parrys Lane. After lunch we were let out to play and let off steam on the fields.

Nowadays, my excursions into Stoke Lodge are most frequently as a short cut across the playing fields from the Gas Cabin to Stoke Lodge House, or playground.

Regards

Alan Aburrow

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Westbury-on-Trym,

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