



PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

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ABOUT YOU

Name ANDREW [REDACTED] MEADS

Address 1A HIGH VIEW,

HEMPSTED,

GLouceSTER,

GLoucestershire Postcode GL2 5LN

Year of Birth 1942

Have you lived at any other addresses during the time you have used the path or way?
If so, please provide details and years [full addresses are not required]

No

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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Please put your initials on your map and date it. DO NOT ADD YOUR FULL SIGNATURE.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

1. In which years did you use the application route?

From 1986 To 2023

2. Were there any extended periods during which you did not use the route at all? If so, please state when and why?

No

3. Please describe the application route, including the start and finish points (providing Public Rights of Way numbers, road names or OS grid references if you can)

START END OF RECTORY LANE, HEMPSTED - ACROSS TWO FIELDS TOWARD A
CONCRETE BRIDGE OVER DITCH BORDERING LANDFILL SITE - TURN LEFT
AFTER BRIDGE AND CONTINUE ALONG TRACK TO SEVERN WAY

4. How did you use the application route and how often? [Please tick any that apply]

	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Every few months	Once a year	Other (please describe)
On foot						VARIABLE BUT 1 DAY/2 DAYS PER WEEK
On horseback						
By pedal cycle						
By motor vehicle						
By horse-drawn vehicle						

5. Has the application route always followed the same course?

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

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6. Approximately how wide is the application route?

[Please give your estimate of the width across which you used the route including the width used when passing others or walking with others. Take care to consider the overall width of the route. If this varies, please describe how] [Or please state 'Don't know']

C. 1.5 metres wide

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7. What type of surface does the application route have? (for example grass, gravel, earth)
[For varying surfaces, please describe with reference to your map]

GRASS UNTIL CONCRETE BRIDGE THEN EARTH/GRASS - OFTEN MUDDY
DURING PART OF YEAR

8. Have there ever been any of the following on the application route?

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map; please also say how long you've known them in place]

SOME YEARS AGO A STILE ASIDE A FARM GATE DIVIDING
THE TWO FIELDS. THE GATE WAS GENERALLY OPEN AND WAS AN
OPEN SPACE FOR AT LEAST 20+ YEARS. THE STILE DISINTEGRATED
MANY YEARS AGO

- b. Gates [state locations and show on your map; please also say how long you've known them in place & whether they've been locked (state whether permanently or temporarily locked)]

PEDESTRIAN GATE AT END OF RECTORY LANE - NEVER LOCKED. KISSING GATE
ON LEAVING SECOND FIELD - NEVER LOCKED & DESTROYED BY COWS ABOUT 15 YEARS AGO.
PEDESTRIAN GATE AFTER CONCRETE BRIDGE AND END OF TRACK ON MEETING SEVERN WAY.
NEITHER WERE EVER LOCKED

- c. Other barriers [state locations and show on your map; please also say how long you've known them in place]

NONE

9. Did any of the above prevent you from using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details

10. Have you ever seen any signs or notices suggesting whether or not the application route is a public right of way? (for example "Private", "Keep Out", No Right of Way "Trespassers will be Prosecuted", "Permissive Route Only")

☒ No

☐ Yes

☐ Don't know

If yes – state when and give details, including when they were present and mark their location on your map

PERMISSIVE ROUTE MARKINGS ON LANDFILL SIDE INDICATING PATH TO THE RIGHT,
USUALLY THIS DISAPPEARED BEHIND VEGETATION

Land Ownership

11. Were you working for any owner or occupier of land crossed by the application route at the time when you used it, or were you a tenant / licensee of any such owner?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes – provide details and dates

12. Did the owner or occupier ever give you permission (or did you seek permission) to use the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes – provide details and dates

13. Has anyone ever told you the application route was not public (including by an owner, tenant of the land or by anyone in their employment)?

☒ No

☐ Yes

(This question continues on the next page...)

If yes – provide details and dates

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14. Have you ever been stopped or turned back when using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened and by who

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15. Have you ever had a private right to use the application route? (for example, an easement, private right of access, licence, etc.)

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give full details, including who gave the permission, why and when

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Other Information

16. Do you have, or do you have knowledge of, any documentary evidence which is relevant to the application route or which indicates public use? (for example photographs, guidebooks, letters, sale documents, old maps, etc.)

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes – please provide details

I HAVE PHOTOGRAPHS. THE PATH WAS WELL-USED AND I AM CONFIDENT THAT THE MAJORITY (INCLUDING MYSELF) THOUGHT THIS WAS A PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY. THERE IS A SIGN AT THE RECTORY LANE GATE INDICATING A PUBLIC FOOTPATH; ONE POINTING LEFT AND ONE POINTING DIRECTLY TOWARD THE FIELD PATH!

Are you willing to provide copies, if requested?

☐ No

☒ Yes

17. Please give any further information which you consider would be helpful in reaching a decision as to whether the application route should be recorded as a public right of way?

[Continue on a separate sheet if necessary]

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I have used the requested path since moving to Hemsted and observed very many other regular and occasional users. The installation of the gateways were facilitated by the Council and clearly supported the use of the paths by the public. I have been told by two long-term residents that the lock place in the 1980's. The fields regularly flood in winter & spring and access to the path is sometimes difficult. They have never been cultivated during my time and during the dry season are covered in wild flowers & grasses which are ultimately cut for hay. The field is then grazed by cows until late Autumn. There has been no problem with the use of the path by public and cows, or with the farmer as far as I know.

18. During the investigation the OMA may want to interview some or all of the claimants in order to gather additional information. Would you be willing to talk to an officer from the OMA about your knowledge of the application route?

☒ Yes

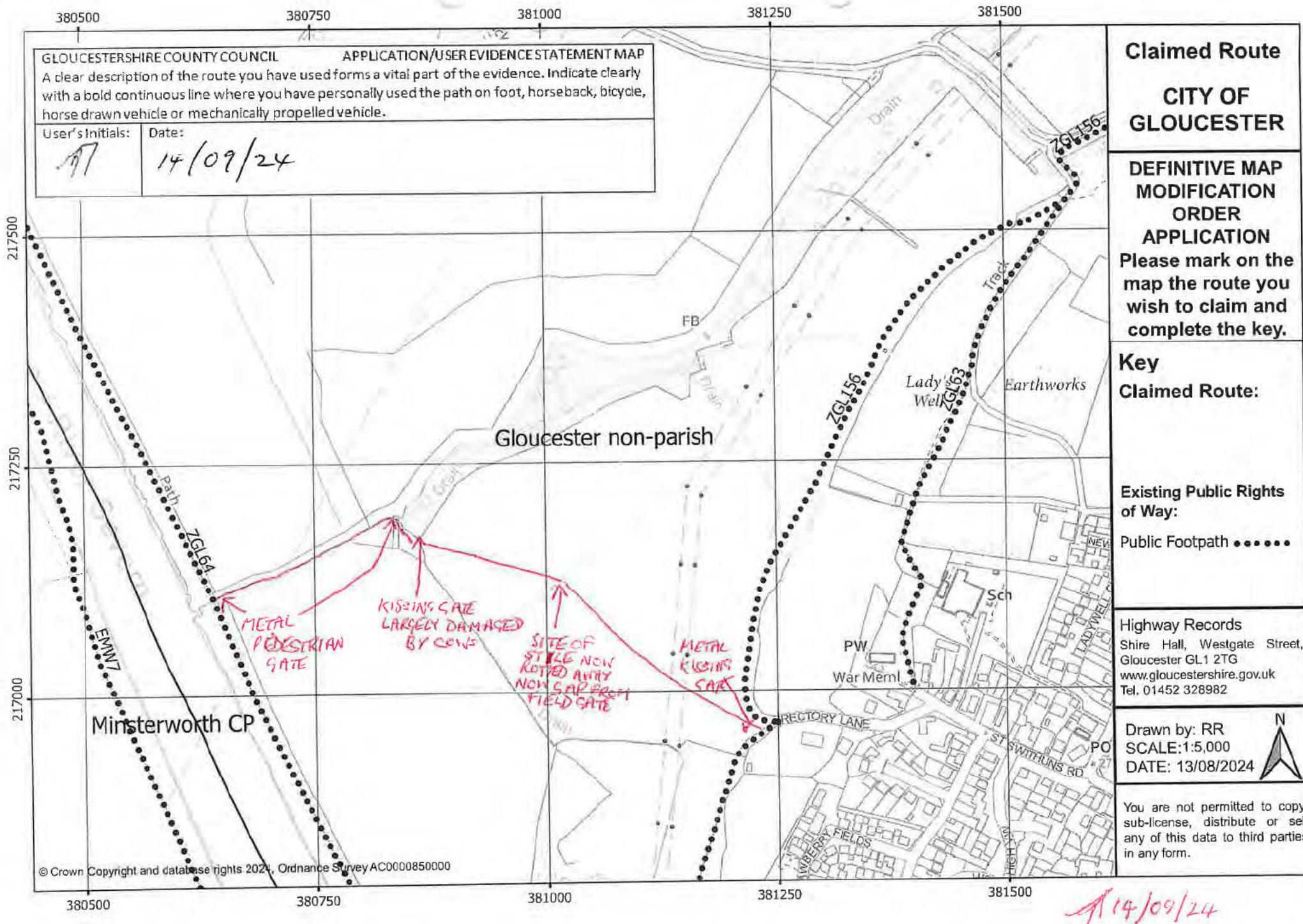
☐ No

19. Would you be willing to attend a hearing, or public inquiry to give evidence if necessary?

☒ Yes

☐ No

End of questions.





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ABOUT YOU

Name JOHN RODRIGUE

Address 8 CHARTWELL CLOSE

HEMPSTEAD

GLOUCHSTER

Postcode GL2 5XA

Year of Birth 1945

Have you lived at any other addresses during the time you have used the path or way?
If so, please provide details and years [full addresses are not required]

MID 1972 - 1978 COURT GARDENS HEMPSTEAD

MID 1978 - CURRENT CHARTWELL CLOSE HEMPSTEAD

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YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

1. In which years did you use the application route?

From MID 1972 To CURRENT DATE

2. Were there any extended periods during which you did not use the route at all? If so, please state when and why?

2000 JANUARY - SEPTEMBER

WORKING IN USA

3. Please describe the application route, including the start and finish points (providing Public Rights of Way numbers, road names or OS grid references if you can)

...FOOTPATH FROM BOTTOM OF RECTORY LANE, ACROSS FIELD TO
WOODS AREA SURROUNDING LAND DRAIN TO RIVER SEVERN.
ALSO FROM FOOTPATH 24156 ACROSS FIELD TO WOODS AREA.

4. How did you use the application route and how often? [Please tick any that apply]

	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Every few months	Once a year	Other (please describe)
On foot			✓			
On horseback						
By pedal cycle						
By motor vehicle						
By horse-drawn vehicle						

5. Has the application route always followed the same course?

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

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6. Approximately how wide is the application route?

[Please give your estimate of the width across which you used the route including the width used when passing others or walking with others. Take care to consider the overall width of the route. If this varies, please describe how] [Or please state 'Don't know']

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7. What type of surface does the application route have? (for example grass, gravel, earth)
[For varying surfaces, please describe with reference to your map]

GRASS

8. Have there ever been any of the following on the application route?

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map; please also say how long you've known them in place]

NONE

- b. Gates [state locations and show on your map; please also say how long you've known them in place & whether they've been locked (state whether permanently or temporarily locked)]

SWING GATES ALWAYS IN PLACE NEVER LOCKED

- c. Other barriers [state locations and show on your map; please also say how long you've known them in place]

NONE

9. Did any of the above prevent you from using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details

10. Have you ever seen any signs or notices suggesting whether or not the application route is a public right of way? (for example "Private", "Keep Out", No Right of Way "Trespassers will be Prosecuted", "Permissive Route Only")

☒ No

☐ Yes

☐ Don't know

If yes – state when and give details, including when they were present and mark their location on your map

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Land Ownership

11. Were you working for any owner or occupier of land crossed by the application route at the time when you used it, or were you a tenant / licensee of any such owner?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes – provide details and dates

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12. Did the owner or occupier ever give you permission (or did you seek permission) to use the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes – provide details and dates

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13. Has anyone ever told you the application route was not public (including by an owner, tenant of the land or by anyone in their employment)?

☒ No

☐ Yes

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If yes – provide details and dates

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14. Have you ever been stopped or turned back when using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened and by who

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15. Have you ever had a private right to use the application route? (for example, an easement, private right of access, licence, etc.)

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give full details, including who gave the permission, why and when

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Other Information

16. Do you have, or do you have knowledge of, any documentary evidence which is relevant to the application route or which indicates public use? (for example photographs, guidebooks, letters, sale documents, old maps, etc.)

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes – please provide details

GOOGLE EARTH DATED 12/1999 SHOWS CLEAR EVIDENCE
OF A FOOTPATH FROM RECTORY LANE TO THE WOODS AREA
IT IS A FAINT IMAGE

Are you willing to provide copies, if requested?

☐ No

☒ Yes

17. Please give any further information which you consider would be helpful in reaching a decision as to whether the application route should be recorded as a public right of way?

[Continue on a separate sheet if necessary]

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THE FOOTPATH IN QUESTION, WHICH HAS BEEN ENJOYED BY
MANY OVER DECADES IS ~~WORTH~~ WITHOUT QUESTION A SUPERB
ROUTE. IT ENABLES A LOVELY WALK FROM THE VILLAGE ACROSS
OPEN COUNTRY TO THE WOODLAND AND THEN ACROSS TO THE
SEVERN WAY, WHICH ENABLES A CIRCULAR ROUTE BACK TO THE VILLAGE.
IT WOULD BE BRILLIANT IF THE GATES WERE REOPENED AND
THE FOOTPATH REINSTATED.

18. During the investigation the OMA may want to interview some or all of the claimants in order to gather additional information. Would you be willing to talk to an officer from the OMA about your knowledge of the application route?

☒ Yes

☐ No

19. Would you be willing to attend a hearing, or public inquiry to give evidence if necessary?

☒ Yes

☐ No

End of questions.

Legend

- Cemetery
- Chrome Awards
- Feature 1
- Hempsted Post Office
- Hempsted Primary School
- Our Lady's Well
- St Swithun's Church

Untitled Map

Footpath from Rectory Lane across field to wooded area. 12/1999

Google Earth

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ABOUT YOU

Name CHRISTINE [REDACTED] PULLEN

Address 8 BRIDLE COURT

HEMPSTED

GLOUCESTER SA

Postcode GL2 5LD

Year of Birth 1941

Have you lived at any other addresses during the time you have used the path or way?
If so, please provide details and years [full addresses are not required]

30 HIGH VIEW HEMPSTED 1969 - 1986

92A HEMPSTED LANE 1986 - 1998

20 HIGH VIEW HEMPSTED 1998 - 2023

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YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

1. In which years did you use the application route?

From 1976 To 2024

2. Were there any extended periods during which you did not use the route at all? If so, please state when and why?

I USED THE ROUTE REGULARLY WHEN I HAD
A DOG 1976 TO 1986. THEN ONLY OCCASIONALLY,
FOR THE PAST SEVEN YEAR I HAVE USED
THE PATH FREQUENTLY WHEN I OWNED
ANOTHER DOG

3. Please describe the application route, including the start and finish points (providing Public Rights of Way numbers, road names or OS grid references if you can)

STARTING AT END OF RECTORY LANE, OVER TWO
FIELDS, THROUGH A GATE INTO THE COPSE AND
THEN ALONG THE EDGE OF THE TIP TO THE
BANKS OF THE RIVER SEVERN (THE SEVERN
WAY BEING A PUBLIC R.O.W.).

4. How did you use the application route and how often? [Please tick any that apply]

	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Every few months	Once a year	Other (please describe)
On foot	☒	☒				
On horseback						
By pedal cycle						
By motor vehicle						
By horse-drawn vehicle						

5. Has the application route always followed the same course?

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

N/A

6. Approximately how wide is the application route?

[Please give your estimate of the width across which you used the route including the width used when passing others or walking with others. Take care to consider the overall width of the route. If this varies, please describe how] [Or please state 'Don't know']

A WELL DEFINED PATH DUE TO
FREQUENT USE

7. What type of surface does the application route have? (for example grass, gravel, earth)
[For varying surfaces, please describe with reference to your map]

GRASS WITH MUDDY PATCHES

8. Have there ever been any of the following on the application route?

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map; please also say how long you've known them in place]

GATES INTO THE COPSE AND OUT OF
THE COPSE. ONE GATE ONTO THE
RIVER BANK. ~~NOT THAT I CAN~~

- b. Gates [state locations and show on your map; please also say how long you've known them in place & whether they've been locked (state whether permanently or temporarily locked)]

GATES INTO THE COPSE AND ANOTHER
GATE OUT ONTO THE PATH ALONG SIDE
THE TIP. A GATE ONTO THE RIVER BANK
NEVER LOCKED

- c. Other barriers [state locations and show on your map; please also say how long you've known them in place]

NONE

9. Did any of the above prevent you from using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details

10. Have you ever seen any signs or notices suggesting whether or not the application route is a public right of way? (for example "Private", "Keep Out", No Right of Way "Trespassers will be Prosecuted", "Permissive Route Only")

☒ No

☐ Yes

☐ Don't know

If yes – state when and give details, including when they were present and mark their location on your map

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Land Ownership

11. Were you working for any owner or occupier of land crossed by the application route at the time when you used it, or were you a tenant / licensee of any such owner?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes – provide details and dates

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12. Did the owner or occupier ever give you permission (or did you seek permission) to use the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes – provide details and dates

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13. Has anyone ever told you the application route was not public (including by an owner, tenant of the land or by anyone in their employment)?

☒ No

☐ Yes

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If yes – provide details and dates

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14. Have you ever been stopped or turned back when using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened and by who

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15. Have you ever had a private right to use the application route? (for example, an easement, private right of access, licence, etc.)

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give full details, including who gave the permission, why and when

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Other Information

16. Do you have, or do you have knowledge of, any documentary evidence which is relevant to the application route or which indicates public use? (for example photographs, guidebooks, letters, sale documents, old maps, etc.)

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes – please provide details

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Are you willing to provide copies, if requested?

☐ No

☐ Yes

17. Please give any further information which you consider would be helpful in reaching a decision as to whether the application route should be recorded as a public right of way?
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THE FIELDS ARE FLOODED FOR SOME OF THE
WINTER MONTHS. AT OTHER TIMES IT
HAS ALWAYS BEEN USED FOR GRAZING (COWS)
AND MAY HAS BEEN HARVESTED ONCE
A YEAR.
AS A PATH IT LINKS THE VILLAGE OF
HEMPSTED WITH THE RIVER BANK AND
IS A LOVELY FACILITY FOR PEOPLE TO
ENJOY WALKING AND THE OUTDOORS

18. During the investigation the OMA may want to interview some or all of the claimants in order to gather additional information. Would you be willing to talk to an officer from the OMA about your knowledge of the application route?

☒ Yes

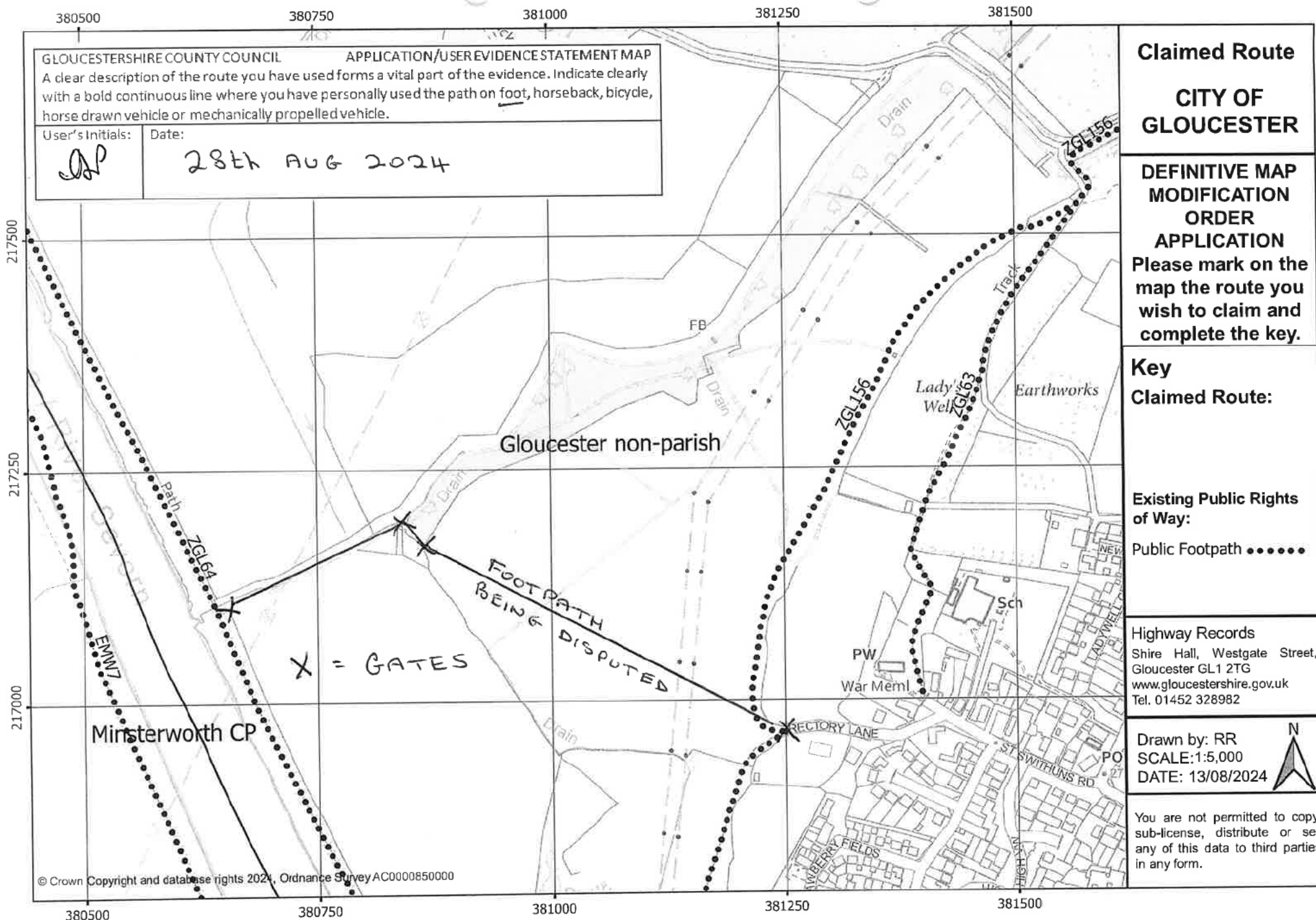
☐ No

19. Would you be willing to attend a hearing, or public inquiry to give evidence if necessary?

☒ Yes

☐ No

End of questions.





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ABOUT YOU

Name Downing STOCKWELL
 Address 3 HIGH VIEW
 Hempsted
 GLoucester
 Postcode GL1 5LW
 Year of Birth 1936

Have you lived at any other addresses during the time you have used the path or way?
 If so, please provide details and years [full addresses are not required]

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YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

1. In which years did you use the application route?

From 2000 To 2023

2. Were there any extended periods during which you did not use the route at all? If so, please state when and why?

..... NONE
 WHEN THE RIDGE & FURROW ROUTE WAS FLOODED

3. Please describe the application route, including the start and finish points (providing Public Rights of Way numbers, road names or OS grid references if you can)

FROM BOTTOM OF RECTORY LANE, CROSS 2 FIELDS TO A BAND OF TREES
THROUGH GATE 1 THEN ALONG A FENCED PATH CROSS A BRIDGE OVER A
DRAINAGE DITCH TO GATE 2 THEN FOLLOW DRAINAGE DITCH ON LEFT AND FENCE
OLD RUBBISH TIP ON RIGHT TO RIVER PATH ZGL64.

4. How did you use the application route and how often? [Please tick any that apply]

	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Every few months	Once a year	Other (please describe)
On foot				✓		
On horseback						
By pedal cycle						
By motor vehicle						
By horse-drawn vehicle						

5. Has the application route always followed the same course?

- ☒ Yes
☐ Don't know
☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

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6. Approximately how wide is the application route?

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1 meter across when furrows were full of water and then
approximately 3 meters

7. What type of surface does the application route have? (for example grass, gravel, earth)
[For varying surfaces, please describe with reference to your map]

GRASS ON 2 FIELDS, MUD THROUGH BAND OF TREES AND

BARE EARTH ALONG RUBBISH TIP PATH

8. Have there ever been any of the following on the application route?

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map; please also say how long you've known them in place]

NONE

- b. Gates [state locations and show on your map; please also say how long you've known them in place & whether they've been locked (state whether permanently or temporarily locked)]

3 GATES - FIRST ENTERING BAND OF TREES

SECOND ON LEAVING BAND OF TREES AND CROSSING DRAINAGE DITCH

THIRD JOINING RIVER SIDE FOOTPATH ZGL 64

- c. Other barriers [state locations and show on your map; please also say how long you've known them in place]

9. Did any of the above prevent you from using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details

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☒ No

☐ Yes

☐ Don't know

If yes – state when and give details, including when they were present and mark their location on your map

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Land Ownership

11. Were you working for any owner or occupier of land crossed by the application route at the time when you used it, or were you a tenant / licensee of any such owner?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes – provide details and dates

WORKING AS A VOLUNTEER FOR THE CITY COUNCIL PROJECT INSTALLING
GATE A

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12. Did the owner or occupier ever give you permission (or did you seek permission) to use the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes – provide details and dates

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13. Has anyone ever told you the application route was not public (including by an owner, tenant of the land or by anyone in their employment)?

☒ No

☐ Yes

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If yes – provide details and dates

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☐ No

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☒ Yes
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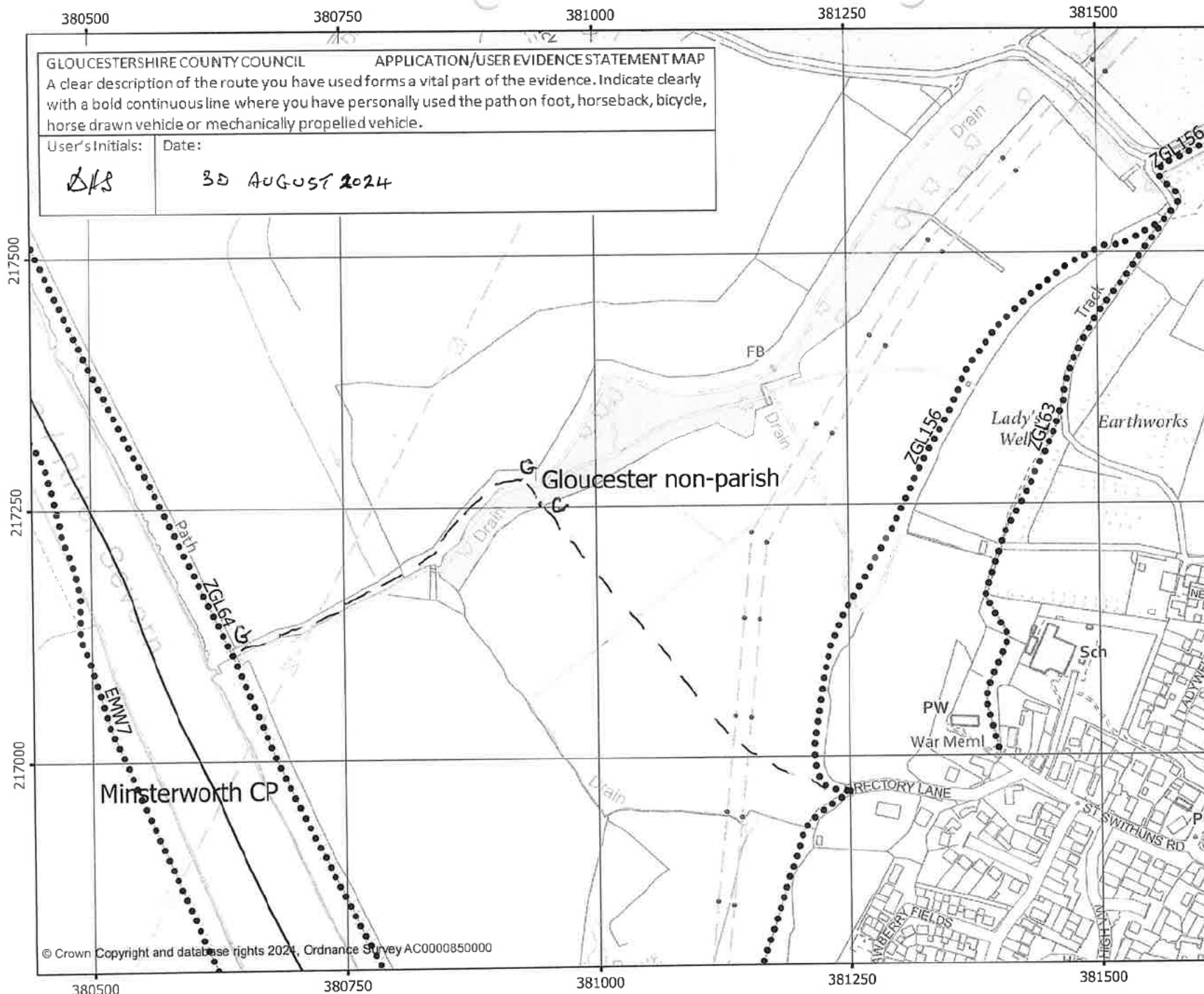
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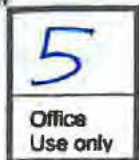
☒ Yes
☐ No

End of questions.

User's Initials:	Date:
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ABOUT YOU

Name ANNE JARMAN

Address 3 HIGH VIEW
HEMPSTED
GLOUCESTER

Postcode GL2 5LN

Year of Birth 1932

Have you lived at any other addresses during the time you have used the path or way?
If so, please provide details and years [full addresses are not required]

No

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YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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From 2000 To 2023

2. Were there any extended periods during which you did not use the route at all? If so, please state when and why?

2018 - I was waiting for surgery on my knee
& 2023 Waiting for operation on the other knee.
Also when the field was flooded.

3. Please describe the application route, including the start and finish points (providing Public Rights of Way numbers, road names or OS grid references if you can)

At the bottom of Rectory Lane, across 2 fields
to the copse, then left to the river bank. ZGL64

4. How did you use the application route and how often? [Please tick any that apply]

	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Every few months	Once a year	Other (please describe)
On foot ✓			In Summer In Winter			
On horseback						
By pedal cycle						
By motor vehicle						
By horse-drawn vehicle						

5. Has the application route always followed the same course?

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

6. Approximately how wide is the application route?

[Please give your estimate of the width across which you used the route including the width used when passing others or walking with others. Take care to consider the overall width of the route. If this varies, please describe how] [Or please state 'Don't know']

About 2 to 3 ft unless very wet.

7. What type of surface does the application route have? (for example grass, gravel, earth)
[For varying surfaces, please describe with reference to your map]

grass

8. Have there ever been any of the following on the application route?

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map; please also say how long you've known them in place]

No stiles, a gate going into the copse & also coming out

- b. Gates [state locations and show on your map; please also say how long you've known them in place & whether they've been locked (state whether permanently or temporarily locked)]

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- c. Other barriers [state locations and show on your map; please also say how long you've known them in place]

Since we first arrived in Hempsted

9. Did any of the above prevent you from using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details

Only flooding

10. Have you ever seen any signs or notices suggesting whether or not the application route is a public right of way? (for example "Private", "Keep Out", No Right of Way "Trespassers will be Prosecuted", "Permissive Route Only")

☒ No

☐ Yes

☐ Don't know

If yes – state when and give details, including when they were present and mark their location on your map

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Land Ownership

11. Were you working for any owner or occupier of land crossed by the application route at the time when you used it, or were you a tenant / licensee of any such owner?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes – provide details and dates

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12. Did the owner or occupier ever give you permission (or did you seek permission) to use the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes – provide details and dates

I always thought it was a proper footpath.

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13. Has anyone ever told you the application route was not public (including by an owner, tenant of the land or by anyone in their employment)?

☒ No

☐ Yes

(This question continues on the next page...)

If yes – provide details and dates

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14. Have you ever been stopped or turned back when using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened and by who

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15. Have you ever had a private right to use the application route? (for example, an easement, private right of access, licence, etc.)

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give full details, including who gave the permission, why and when

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Other Information

16. Do you have, or do you have knowledge of, any documentary evidence which is relevant to the application route or which indicates public use? (for example photographs, guidebooks, letters, sale documents, old maps, etc.)

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes – please provide details

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Are you willing to provide copies, if requested?

☐ No

☒ Yes

17. Please give any further information which you consider would be helpful in reaching a decision as to whether the application route should be recorded as a public right of way?
[Continue on a separate sheet if necessary]
[If you wish to provide a separate sketch map, please do so and attach to this statement]

It would make life a little bit more enjoyable for local residents to walk across the fields to the river.

18. During the investigation the OMA may want to interview some or all of the claimants in order to gather additional information. Would you be willing to talk to an officer from the OMA about your knowledge of the application route?

☒ Yes

☐ No

19. Would you be willing to attend a hearing, or public inquiry to give evidence if necessary?

☒ Yes

☐ No

End of questions.



PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

PLEASE KEEP A COPY FOR YOUR OWN RECORDS

ABOUT YOU

Name JOHN [REDACTED] BRICKNELL

Address 47 HEMPSTED LANE

HEMPSTED

GLOUCESTER

Postcode GL2 5JS

Year of Birth [REDACTED] 1968

Have you lived at any other addresses during the time you have used the path or way?
If so, please provide details and years [full addresses are not required]

YES, 43 REDWOOD CLOSE, GLOUCESTER - 1990 to 1998

6 BLOOMFIELD TERRACE, GLOUCESTER - 2001 to 2010

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please mark the route or routes which you have used on a blank copy of the general location map supplied by the OMA, and annotate the map with anything that is referred to in your statement. If the plan does not show the entire route used, or if any route or routes have been 'pre-marked', please contact the Modification Orders Team at modificationorders@gloucestershire.gov.uk.

Please put your initials on your map and date it. **DO NOT ADD YOUR FULL SIGNATURE.**

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

1. In which years did you use the application route?

From 1984 To 2024

2. Were there any extended periods during which you did not use the route at all? If so, please state when and why?

PERIOD 1999 - 2001 LIVING IN LONDON

3. Please describe the application route, including the start and finish points (providing Public Rights of Way numbers, road names or OS grid references if you can)

START POINT IS AT GATE AT THE END OF RECTORY LANE, HEMSTED,
THROUGH GATEWAY, ACROSS CONCRETE FOOTBRIDGE, TURNING LEFT ALONG
PERMISSIVE PATH ALONGSIDE DRAINAGE DITCH, FINISHING ON BANK ALONGSIDE
RIVER SEVERN. - REVERSE ROUTE ALSO TAKEN.

4. How did you use the application route and how often? [Please tick any that apply]

	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Every few months	Once a year	Other (please describe)
On foot		✓				
On horseback						
By pedal cycle						
By motor vehicle						
By horse-drawn vehicle						

5. Has the application route always followed the same course?

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

N/A

6. Approximately how wide is the application route?

[Please give your estimate of the width across which you used the route including the width used when passing others or walking with others. Take care to consider the overall width of the route. If this varies, please describe how] [Or please state 'Don't know']

NOT DEFINED

7. What type of surface does the application route have? (for example grass, gravel, earth)
[For varying surfaces, please describe with reference to your map]

GRASS THROUGHOUT, ALTHOUGH IN THE FIELD IS PRONE TO FLOODING
IN THE WINTER, THE PATH IS SOMETIMES WET AND MUDDY

8. Have there ever been any of the following on the application route?

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map; please also say how long you've known them in place]

YES, A WOODEN STILE EXISTED IN THE MID 1980'S BEFORE BEING
REPLACED BY A METAL GATE AT THE POINT BEFORE THE CONCRETE
FOOT BRIDGE

- b. Gates [state locations and show on your map; please also say how long you've known them in place & whether they've been locked (state whether permanently or temporarily locked)]

KISSING GATE ON RECTORY LANE, METAL KISSING GATE ON FIELD SIDE OF COSE,
PEDESTRIAN GATE AFTER CONCRETE FOOT BRIDGE OVER PERMISSIVE PATH ALONGSIDE
DRAINAGE DITCH, PEDESTRIAN GATE ONTO BANK OF RIVER SEVERN
THESE HAVE NEVER BEEN LOCKED

- c. Other barriers [state locations and show on your map; please also say how long you've known them in place]

NONE

9. Did any of the above prevent you from using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details

10. Have you ever seen any signs or notices suggesting whether or not the application route is a public right of way? (for example "Private", "Keep Out", No Right of Way "Trespassers will be Prosecuted", "Permissive Route Only")

☐ No

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

If yes – state when and give details, including when they were present and mark their location on your map

PERMISSIVE ROUTE MARKING BY CONCRETE FOOT BRIDGE INDICATING PATH
THAT RUNS ADJACENT TO THE PERIMETER FENCE OF LANDFILL SITE

Land Ownership

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☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes – provide details and dates

12. Did the owner or occupier ever give you permission (or did you seek permission) to use the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes – provide details and dates

THE ROUTE HAS BEEN IN PLACE FOR DECADES WITH THE KISSAIG GATES
INSERTED IN THE MID 1980S UNDER A COUNCIL FUNDED SCHEME TO
HELP YANG ^{UN} EMPLOYED PEOPLE RETURN TO WORK

13. Has anyone ever told you the application route was not public (including by an owner, tenant of the land or by anyone in their employment)?

☒ No

☐ Yes

(This question continues on the next page...)

If yes – provide details and dates

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14. Have you ever been stopped or turned back when using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened and by who

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15. Have you ever had a private right to use the application route? (for example, an easement, private right of access, licence, etc.)

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give full details, including who gave the permission, why and when

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Other Information

16. Do you have, or do you have knowledge of, any documentary evidence which is relevant to the application route or which indicates public use? (for example photographs, guidebooks, letters, sale documents, old maps, etc.)

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes – please provide details

AS NOTED AT QUESTION 12, THE KISSAG GATES WERE INSTALLED IN MID 1980
(1985/1986) AS PART OF A GOVERNMENT FUNDED SCHEME AIMED AT
GETTING YOUNG EMPLOYED PEOPLE INTO WORK.

Are you willing to provide copies, if requested?

☐ No

☐ Yes

17. Please give any further information which you consider would be helpful in reaching a decision as to whether the application route should be recorded as a public right of way?
[Continue on a separate sheet if necessary]
[If you wish to provide a separate sketch map, please do so and attach to this statement]

DURING THE PERIODS WHEN I USED THE PATH, IT WAS FREQUENTLY USED BY WALKERS
FOR DOG WALKING AND RAMBLING. IT IS OFTEN USED AS A MEANS TO VIEW THE
SEVERN BIRLS WITH PEOPLE USING THE PATH TO GAIN ACCESS TO THE BANK OF
THE RIVER SEVERN.

THE PATH HAS BEEN OBSTRUCTED AND CLOSED IN MARCH 2024 THROUGH THE
INSTALLATION OF A LOCKED AND BOLTED GATE, TOPPED BY BARBED WIRE.

18. During the investigation the OMA may want to interview some or all of the claimants in order to gather additional information. Would you be willing to talk to an officer from the OMA about your knowledge of the application route?

☒ Yes

☐ No

19. Would you be willing to attend a hearing, or public inquiry to give evidence if necessary?

☒ Yes

☐ No

End of questions.

