



**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**

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](mailto: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 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]

[If you wish to provide a separate sketch map, please do so and attach to this statement]

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

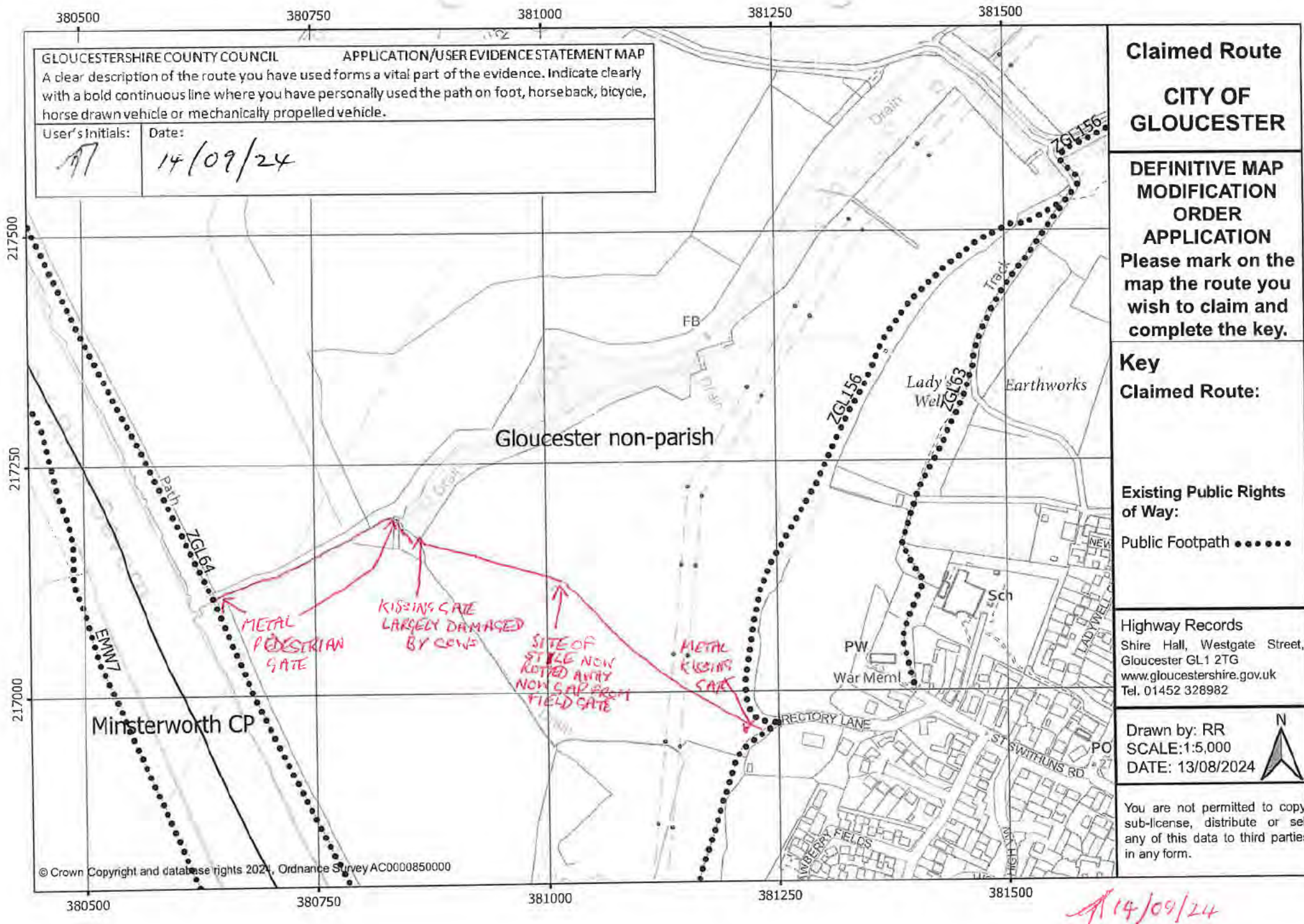
☐ No

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

GLoucester

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) |
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| 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

(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

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 <sup>FROM 2017</sup> I HAVE USED  
THE PATH FREQUENTLY WHEN I <sup>ONCE AGAIN</sup> OWNED <sup>A</sup>  
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                | W     | ✓      |         |                  |             |                         |
| 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

(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]

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 .....

..... Hampstead .....

..... 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]

**MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE**

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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) |
|------------------------|-------|--------|---------|------------------|-------------|-------------------------|
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| 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 BANDS 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 BANDS OF TREES

SECOND ON LEAVING BANDS 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

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

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

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

If yes – provide details and dates

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☒ No

☐ Yes

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

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☒ No

☐ Yes

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☐ Yes



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☒ Yes  
☐ No

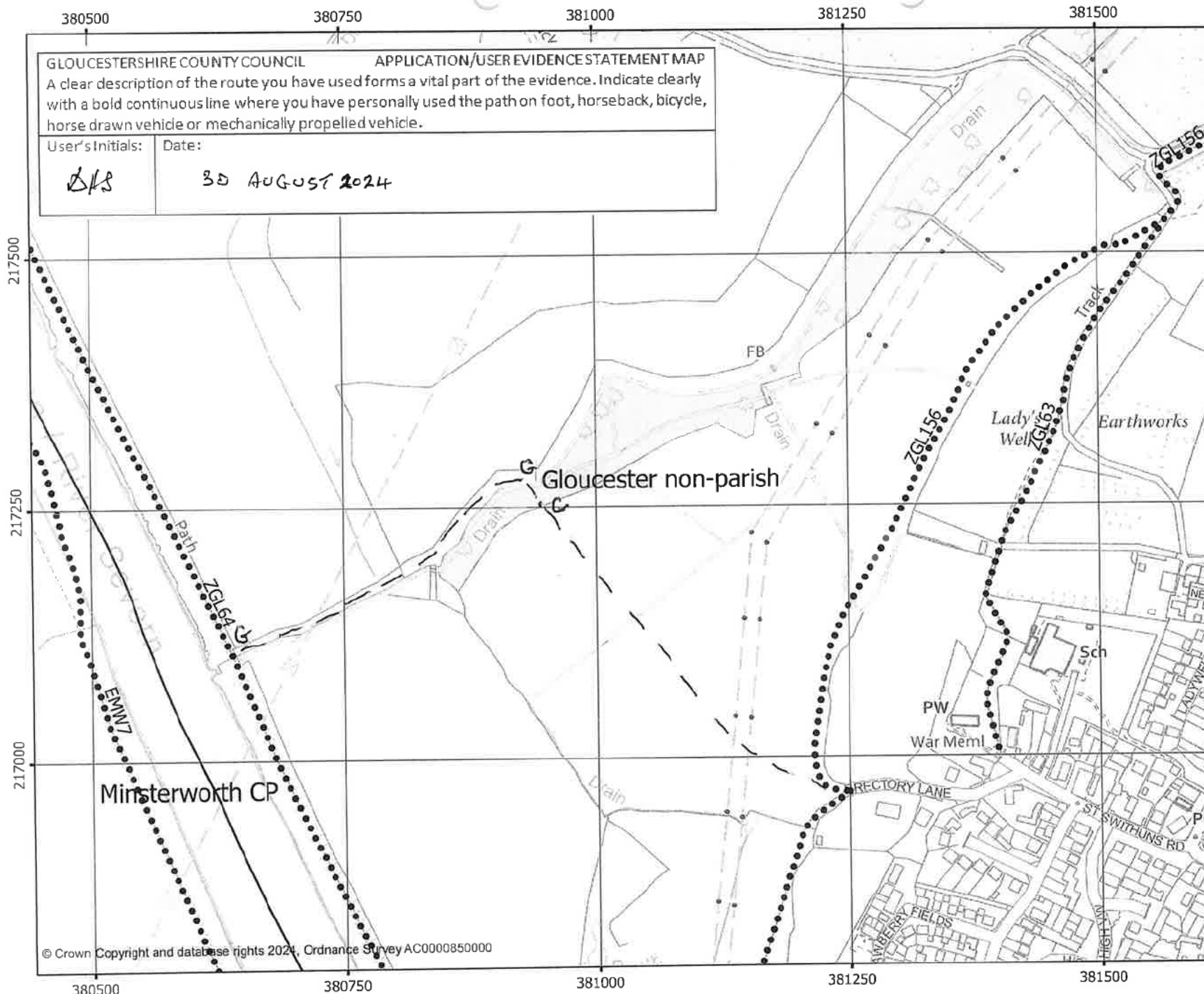
19. Would you be willing to attend a hearing, or public inquiry to give evidence if necessary?

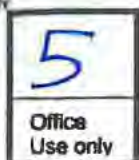
☒ Yes  
☐ No

End of questions.

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| User's Initials: | Date:          |
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**PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT**

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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

**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](mailto: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 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.**

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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-----------------------------------------|--|
| GLOUCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |       | APPLICATION/USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT MAP |  |
| A clear description of the route you have used forms a vital part of the evidence. Indicate clearly with a bold continuous line where you have personally used the path on foot, horseback, bicycle, horse drawn vehicle or mechanically propelled vehicle. |       |                                         |  |
| User's Initials:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Date: |                                         |  |

**Claimed Route**

**CITY OF GLOUCESTER**

**DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION ORDER APPLICATION**

Please mark on the map the route you wish to claim and complete the key.

**Key**

**Claimed Route:**

**Existing Public Rights of Way:**

Public Footpath .....

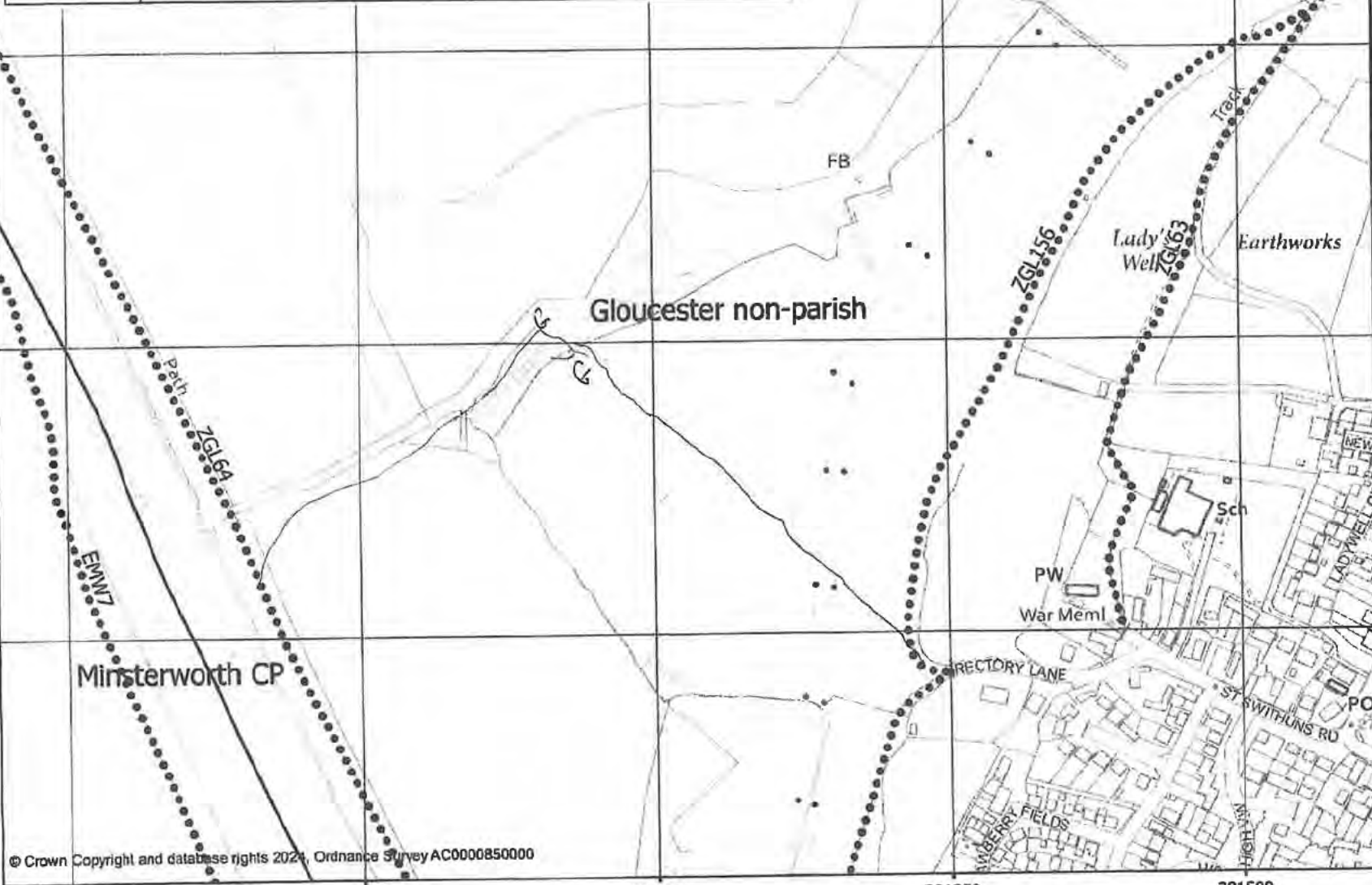
**Highway Records**

Shire Hall, Westgate Street,  
Gloucester GL1 2TG  
[www.gloucestershire.gov.uk](http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk)  
Tel. 01452 328982

Drawn by: RR  
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**PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT**

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**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**

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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 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 CORSE,  
PEDESTRIAN GATE AFTER CONCRETE FOOT BRIDGE AND 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

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

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 <sup>UN</sup> 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.



### APPLICATION/USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT MAP

User's Initials:

Date:

Minsterworth CP

**CITY OF  
GLOUCESTER**

**Please mark on the map the route you wish to claim and complete the key.**

**Claimed Route:**

**Existing Public Rights of Way:**

Public Footpath ●●●●●

Shire Hall, Westgate Street,  
Gloucester GL1 2TG  
[www.gloucestershire.gov.uk](http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk)  
Tel. 01452 328982

Drawn by: RR

SCALE:1:5,000

DATE: 13/08/2024



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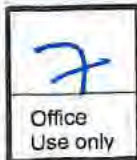
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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

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ABOUT YOU

Name ..... MICHAEL DAVIES

Address ..... 68 HEMPSTEAD LANE

..... HEMPSTEAD, GLOUCESTER

..... GL2 5JN

..... Postcode ..... GL2 5JN

Year of Birth ..... 1966

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. LIVED IN TEWKESBURY FOR 13 YEARS, HEMPSTEAD JAN 21.

MY WIFE'S PARENT HAVE LIVED IN HEMPSTEAD SINCE I MET HER SO HAVE  
BEEN WALKING ALONG THE PATH SINCE ~ 1989

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 ..... 1989 ..... To ..... MARCH 2024

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)

FOOTPATH STARTS AT THE BOTTOM OF RECTORY LANE, HEMPSTEAD  
GOES THROUGH FIRST FIELD, THROUGH LARGE GATE INTO SECOND FIELD  
THEN TO SWING GATE THROU TO PATH ALONGSIDE DITCH TO DOWN  
PUBLIC FOOT PATH ALONGSIDE RIVER SEVERN

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']

NIT DEFINED

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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 THROUGH FIELDS, MUDDY PATH FROM SWING  
GATE TO EXITING PUBLIC FOOTPATH.

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]

NOT SINCE I HAVE BEEN WALKING ALONG THE ROUTE.  
USED TO BE STILES IN THE PAST BUT ROTTEN AWAY.

- 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 AT 1) END OF RECTORY LANE,  
2) END OF SECOND FIELD,  
3) END OF MUDDY PATH NEAR SIDE OF HEMPSTEAD TIP,  
4) SIDE OF TIP TO REVERN WAY.

- 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 MARKINGS BY CONCRETE BRIDGE INDICATING  
PATH AROUND PERIMETER OF LANDFILL SITE (HEMPSTEAD TWP)

### 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

THE ROUTE HAS EXISTED SINCE MY WIFE'S PARENTS MOVED TO HEMPSTEAD  
AROUND 1960. THERE HAS ALWAYS BEEN GATES AT THE POINTS MARKED  
ON THE MAP SO CLEARLY A WALKWAY.

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]

THIS PATH HAS ALWAYS BEEN CONSIDERED A PUBLIC FOOTPATH  
BY THE LOCAL COMMUNITY AS LONG AS I HAVE BEEN  
ASSOCIATED WITH THE AREA.  
WE HAVE NEVER BEEN STOPPED OR EVEN APPROACHED  
BY ANYONE IN THIS TIME TO INDICATE WE WERE NOT  
ON A PUBLIC FOOTPATH.

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

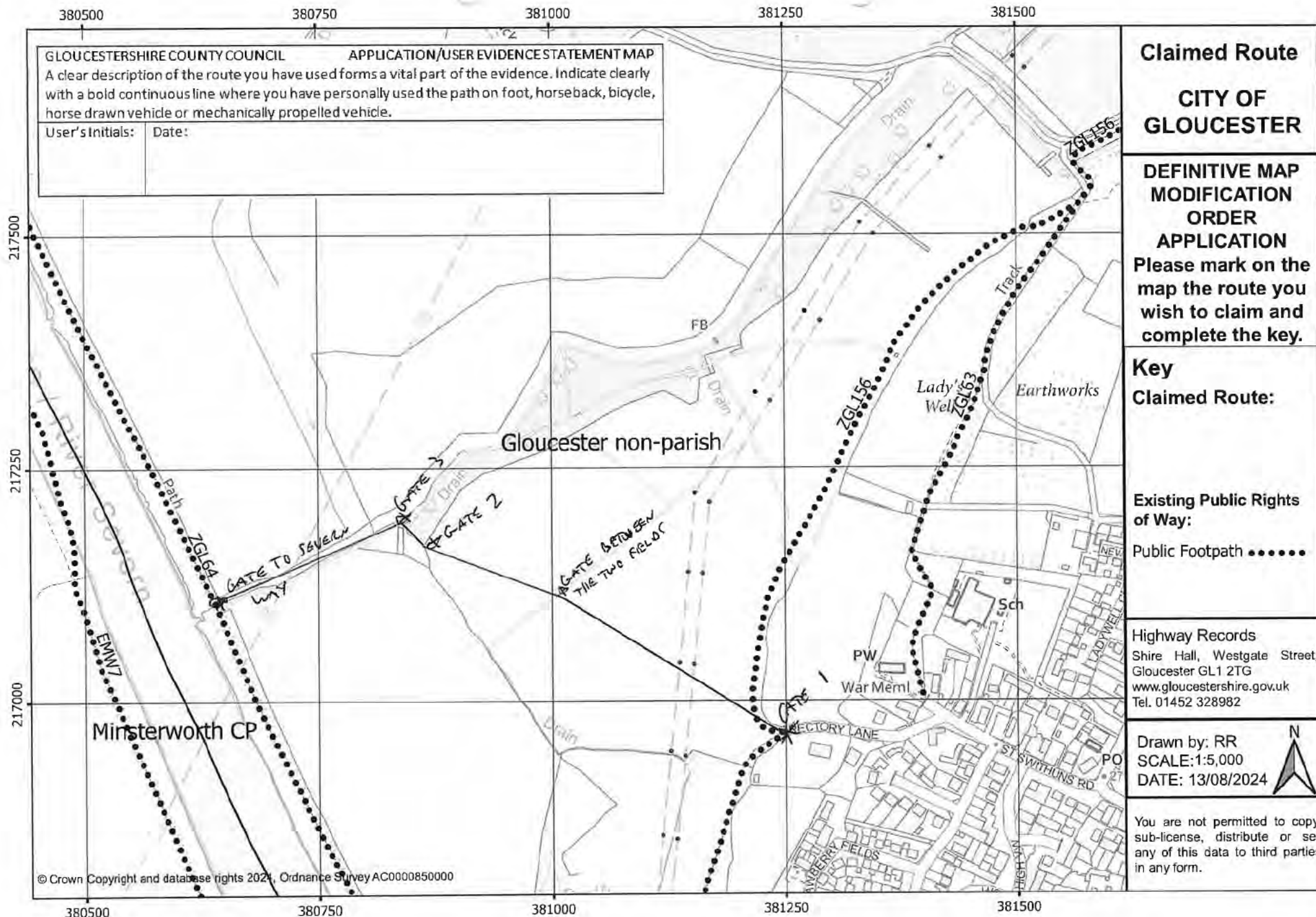
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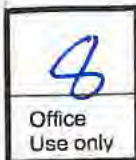
19. Would you be willing to attend a hearing, or public inquiry to give evidence if necessary?

☒ Yes

☐ No

End of questions.





PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

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ABOUT YOU

Name ..... ELAINE [REDACTED] DAVIES

Address ..... 68 HEMPSTED LANE, GLOUCESTER

Postcode ..... GL2 5JN

Year of Birth ..... 1965

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 IN TEWKESBURY (MY PARENTS STILL LIVED IN  
HEMPSTED NO 70) I LIVED IN TEWKESBURY FOR 13 YEARS BEFORE,  
I WAS BORN AND LIVED IN NO 70, I HAVE LIVED IN NO 68 WITH  
MY HUSBAND AND CHILDREN NOW FOR 21 YEARS.

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 ..... 1970 - ~~2024~~ To ..... 2024 March

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 - AT THE BOTTOM OF RECTORY LANE, ACROSS THE FIELD TO  
A SWING GATE THROUGH A SMALL COPSE TO A SWING GATE TURNING  
LEFT ALONG A DRAINAGE DITCH TO JOIN THE PUBLIC FOOT PATH  
ALONG THE RIVER, SEVERN WAY PUBLIC FOOT PATH-END.

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']

..... NO CLEAR, .....

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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 (IT DOES FLOOD THROUGH OUT THE WINTER  
AND BECOMES VERY 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]

TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE THERE HAS ALWAYS BEEN A  
GATE BUT USUALLY OPEN AND A STILE ALONG SIDE (THE STILE  
ROTTED QUITE A FEW YEARS AGO), AND

- 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 GATE ON RECOVERY LANE, SWING GATE ON TO THE FIELD  
SIDE, THEN THROUGH THE COPSE AND A SWING GATE ON TO

THE DITCH LEADING LEFT TO THE SWING GATE ON TO  
THE SEVERN WAY. I HAVE ONLY SEEN IT LOCKED THIS YEAR - MARCH 29.

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

THERE AREN'T ANY.

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 MARKINGS BY CONCRETE BRIDGE SHOWING TRACK  
... FOLLOWING THE EDGE OF LAND-FILL SITE.

**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

(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]

I HAVE LIVED IN HEMPSTED FOR MOST OF MY LIFE  
AND I WAS BORN HERE, MY CHILDREN GREW UP HERE AND HAVE  
WE HAVE ENJOYED WALKING TO SEE THE BORE, THE WILD LIFE  
AND HAD NO REASON TO BELIEVE THE PATH WAS NOT A PUBLIC  
RIGHT OF WAY. I REMEMBER WHEN I WAS AT HEMPSTED SCHOOL  
GOING OVER AS A WHOLE SCHOOL TO WATCH AS THE SEVERN  
BORE ROSE UP AND WE ALL HAD WET FEET FOR THE REST OF  
THE DAY, 1973. (THE BEST NATURE WALK EVER.)

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.

Date:

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**PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT**

**PLEASE KEEP A COPY FOR YOUR OWN RECORDS**

**ABOUT YOU**

Name Muriel [REDACTED] Heath

Address 13, St. Swithun's Rd

Itampsted

Gloucester

Postcode GL2 5LH

Year of Birth [REDACTED] 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]

N/A.

**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](mailto: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 1963 To c. 2019

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

From around 2019

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)

Rectory Lane across fields towards river, along tip to river bank.

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']

Grass track - variable

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]

Stiles between first 2 fields

- 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 - Rectory Lane

Another kissing gate at entry to copse

A further gate as you turn onto landfill track

Another gate at river bank

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

N.A.

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

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details

N.A.

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

NA.

### 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

NA.

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

NA.

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

NA

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

NA

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

NA

### 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

NA

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]

I have been a resident for 60 years & have joined many fellow residents in using the foot path for regular walks & also as a teacher in the local school, taking children on nature walks & to view the Severn Bore.

This sort of activity has continued over the years.

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

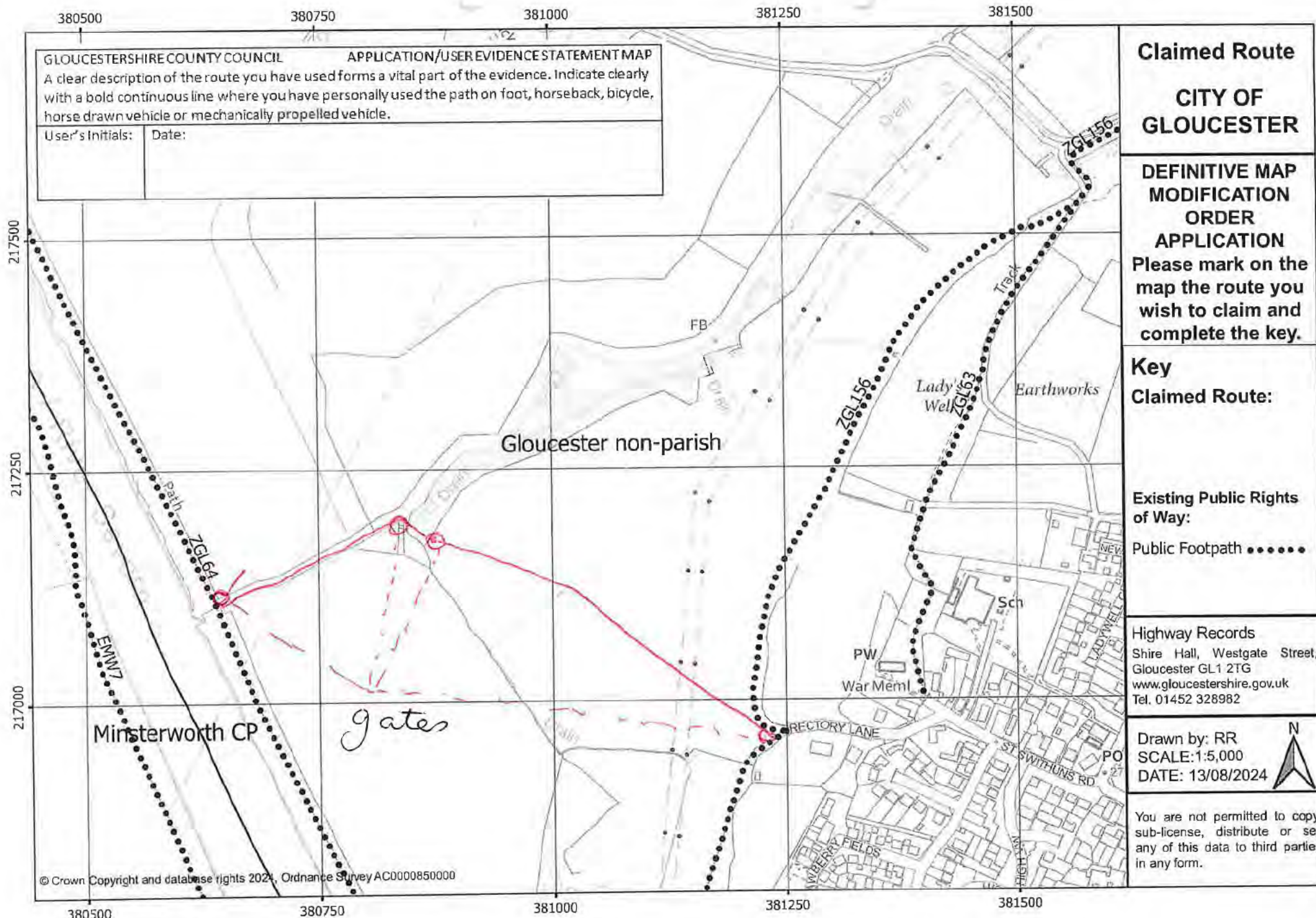
☐ No

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**

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**ABOUT YOU**

Name PETER BURGESS

Address 9, CHARTWELL CLOSE

HEMPSTED

GLOUCESTER

Postcode GL2 5XA

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 1987 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:  $51^{\circ} 51.138' N$ ,  $2^{\circ} 16.950' W$  to  $51^{\circ} 51.172' N$ ,  
 $2^{\circ} 16.824' W$  to  $51^{\circ} 51.168' N$ ,  $2^{\circ} 16.749' W$  to  $51^{\circ} 51.141' N$ ,  
 $2^{\circ} 16.631' W$  to  $51^{\circ} 51.065' N$ ,  $2^{\circ} 16.441' W$ , as on  
 Google earth.

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']

2 metres.

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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 & earth

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

- 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)]

51° 51.172 2° 16.824 Not locked until recently

~~51° 51.168 2° 16.749~~ Not locked

until recently June 2024

- 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

locked gates at points 2 and point 3.  
as attached map



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

gate locked at point 2 and point 3  
July 2024 also July 2024 map on  
post at point 5

### 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

1. (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

Google Earth images from 2013, 2021 & 2023

All show the footpath crossing the field via the ditch bridge at point 4 on attached image. Also image from 1945 also shows this

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]

Aerial photo from 1945 shows path across the field to ditch crossing bridge.

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

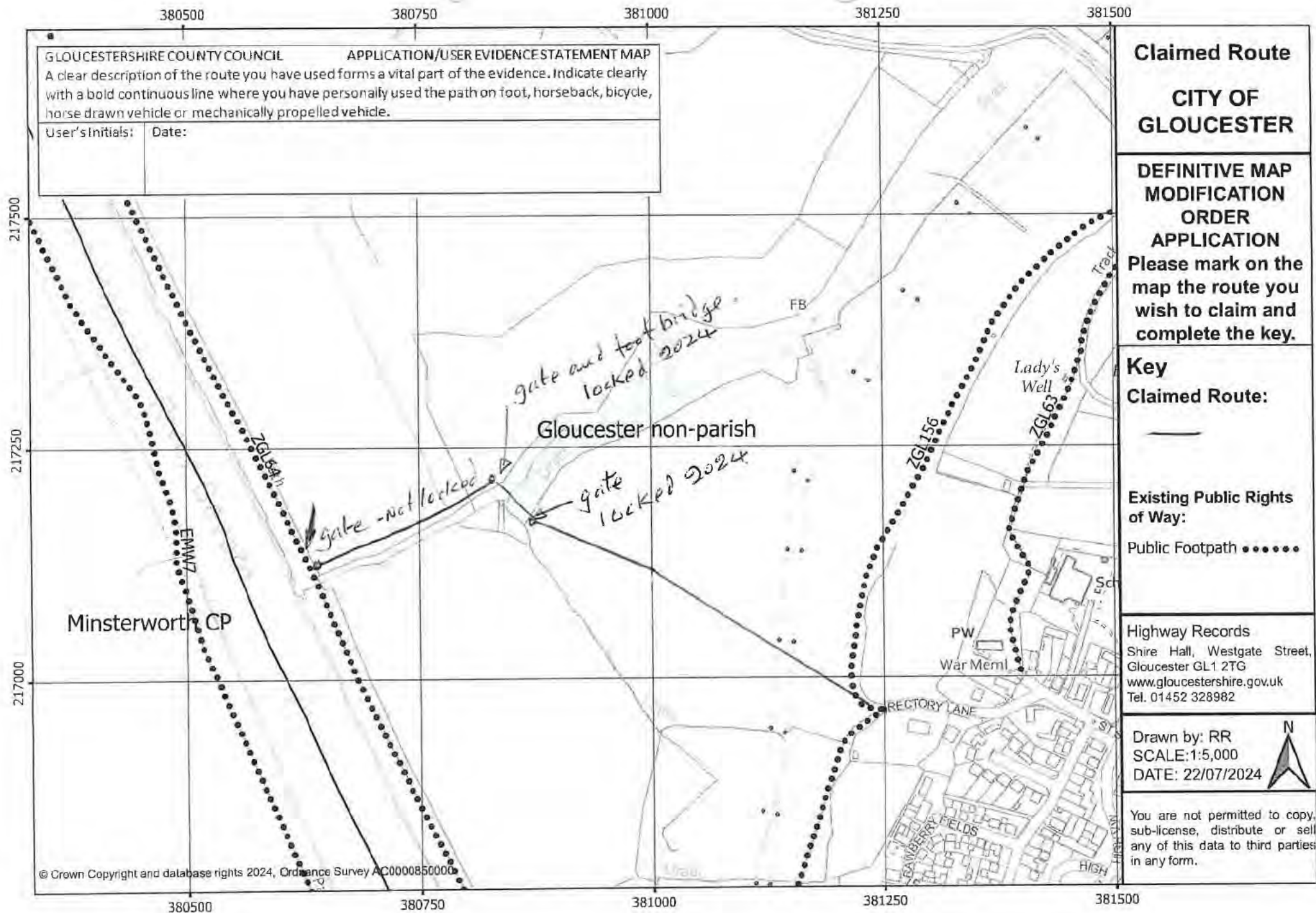
☐ No

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

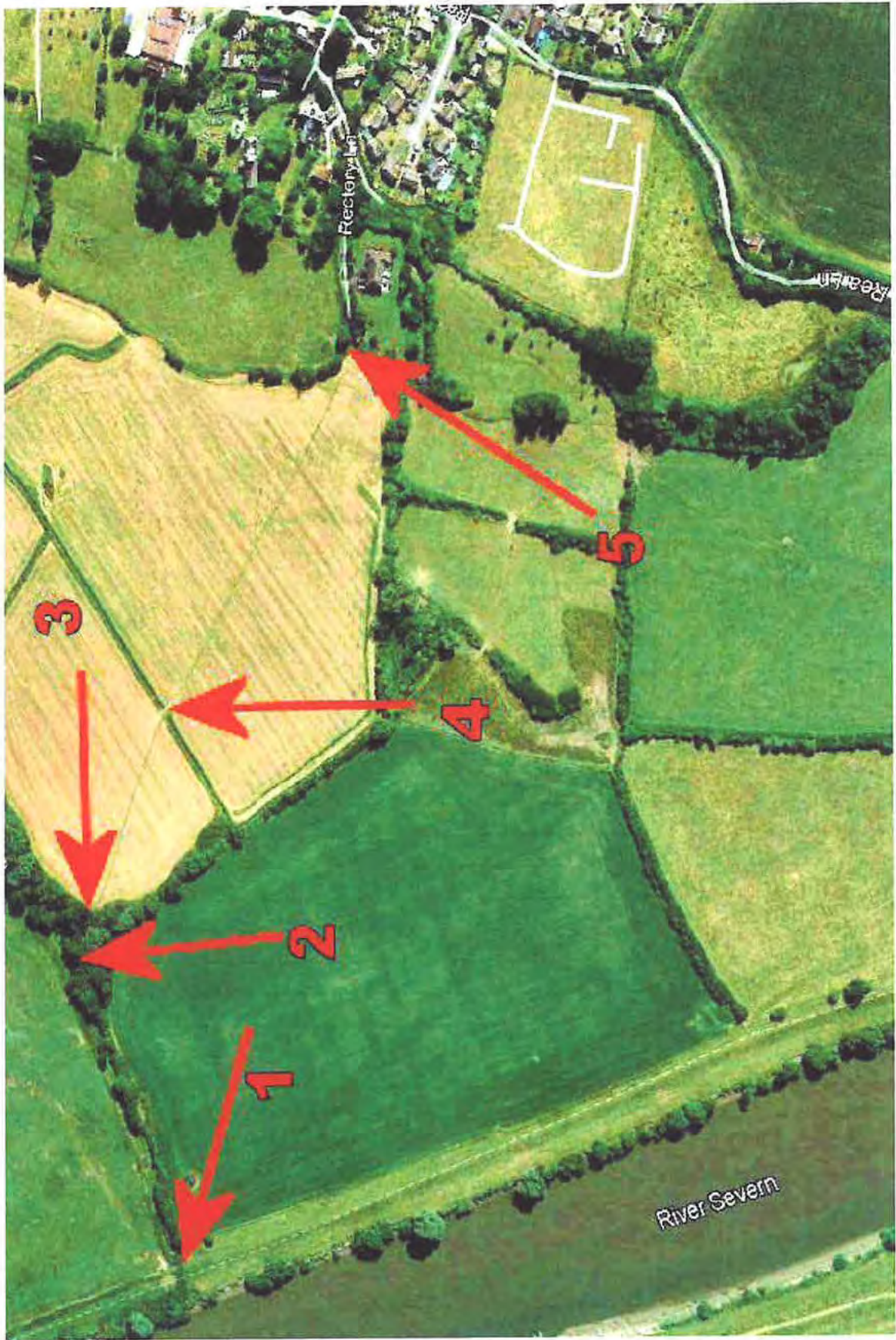
☒ Yes

☐ No

End of questions.







2013.





← 2013.



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2023 ↑



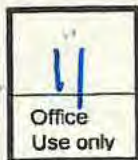
← 2021



1945 ↑







PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

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ABOUT YOU

Name ..... MAUREEN BARKER

Address ..... 3 CHARTWELL CLOSE  
..... HEMPSTED  
..... GLOUCESTER

..... Postcode ..... GL2 5XA

Year of Birth ..... 1939

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 ..... 1977 ..... To ..... RECENTLY

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

..... NONE



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)

ACCESS BY KISSING GATE AT BOTTOM OF RECTORY  
LANE AND THEN DIAGONALLY ACROSS TWO  
FIELDS TO NEXT GATE

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                           | OVER THE YEARS LIVING LOCALLY I HAVE WALKED OVER THESE FIELDS - IN THE EARLY YEARS WITH DOG DAILY - AND AFTER HG DIED LESS FREQUENTLY - PERHAPS WEEKLY. |        |         |                  |             |                         |
| <del>On horseback</del>           |                                                                                                                                                         |        |         |                  |             |                         |
| <del>By pedal cycle</del>         |                                                                                                                                                         |        |         |                  |             |                         |
| <del>By motor vehicle</del>       |                                                                                                                                                         |        |         |                  |             |                         |
| <del>By horse-drawn vehicle</del> |                                                                                                                                                         |        |         |                  |             |                         |

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']

3-4 FEET

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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)]

KISSING GATES

- 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



(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? *N/A* ☐ 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]

CROSSING THIS FIELD GIVES EASY ACCESS  
TO THE RIVER AND IT IS SAD, AFTER  
MANY YEARS, THAT THIS IS NOW DENIED.

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.



GLOUCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL APPLICATION/USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT MAP  
A clear description of the route you have used forms a vital part of the evidence. Indicate clearly with a bold continuous line where you have personally used the path on foot, horseback, bicycle, horse drawn vehicle or mechanically propelled vehicle.

User's Initials:

Date:

**Claimed Route**

**CITY OF  
GLOUCESTER**

**DEFINITIVE MAP  
MODIFICATION  
ORDER  
APPLICATION**

Please mark on the map the route you wish to claim and complete the key.

**Key**

**Claimed Route:**

**Existing Public Rights  
of Way:**

Public Footpath .....

**Highway Records**

Shire Hall, Westgate Street,  
Gloucester GL1 2TG  
[www.gloucestershire.gov.uk](http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk)  
Tel. 01452 328982

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Gloucester non-parish

Minsterworth CP

Lady's  
Well

PW  
War Meml

RECTORY LANE

RAMBERRY FIELDS

HIGH

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