

**APPLICATION FOR A MODIFICATION ORDER TO ADD A PUBLIC FOOTPATH THROUGH WITCOMBE FARM
PARISH OF GREAT WITCOMBE**

SUMMARY OF PUBLIC PATH EVIDENCE FORMS SUBMITTED IN 2005

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| 1 | Dr Nicholas James Gilbert | Wychbury Great Witcombe Glos. GL3 4TS | 1975 to 2005 | Several times a week in 70s, 90s and until 2002 (approx.) when signs were posted. Less often in 1980s | On foot from home to visit parents in Little Witcombe and to Witcombe Reservoirs for leisure and to walk the dog | Witness notes signs erected about 3 years ago at points A and B saying 'Witcombe Estate, Private Land, No Public Right of Way'. Witness was told in 2005 by telephone not to use the claimed footpath. In May 2005 he was given permission to use the path on one occasion as the alternative footpath was obstructed by a horse. He notes another sign at point A saying 'Private Road, No Unauthorised Vehicles'. Witness respected landowners request not to use the claimed path in 2001 during the foot and mouth epidemic. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map |
| 2 | Mr James Oliver Gilbert | Pasaderas Little Witcombe Glos. GL3 4SS | 1975 to 2004 | Many times a year | On foot from home to Witcombe Reservoirs and to Roman Villa and woods for bird watching and walks | Witness says he and his wife have not used the claimed path in 2005 and feel the loss of a safe walk to the reservoirs and observing the birds in their retirement. He never thought he needed permission to use the path. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 3 | Mrs Evelyn Dawson Gilbert | Pasaderas Little Witcombe Glos. GL3 4SS | 1975 to 2004 | Daily during the early years but always frequently | On foot past the reservoirs onto Roman Villa with children and grandchildren for leisure and exercise | Witness notes having her name and address taken by the lady running the stables at the farm when using the path after the restriction signs went up, on the request of the landowner. She says she has used the path for many years and never been stopped until the notices were put up. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |

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| 4 | Mrs Moira Janet Gilbert | Wychbury Great Witcombe Glos. GL3 4TS | 1984 to 2005 | Several times a week since moving to Great Witcombe in 1997, less from 1984 to 1997 | On foot from home or in-laws house, Pasaderas, to reservoirs for leisure and walking the dog | Witness notes signs erected about 3 years ago at points A and B saying 'Witcombe Estate Private Land, no public right of way'. Witness says she needs to use the path when other routes are impassable due to horses, electric fences and floods | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 5 | Mrs Anne Vickery | Woodleigh, Horseferry Bridge Little Witcombe GL3 4SX | 1968 to 2005 | At least once a week up until the end of the 1990s | On foot from home to Witcombe Reservoirs for leisure and to enjoy the countryside | Witness notes signs posted on each end of the claimed path saying 'Witcombe Estate, Private Land, No Right of Way'. She notes being followed on one occasion by Freddie Hicks Beach when walking along the claimed path to deliver a church magazine to Celia Hicks Beach and on another occasion when walking from Roman Villa to the reservoir he arrived on his quad bike to find out where she was going. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 6 | Scott McNeill | 40 Lasne Crescent Brockworth | 1985 to 2005 | Ten times a year | From home as a circular walk for leisure | Witness notes signs posted in 2002 at points A and B saying 'Witcombe Estate, Private Land, No Public Right of Way' and also notes an older sign at north end of path saying 'Private Road, No Unauthorised Vehicle'. Witness says he and the Brockworth walkers have used the claimed path as part of a circular walk for many years. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |

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| 7 | Ann McNeill | 40 Lasne Crescent Brockworth | 1983 to 2005 | 12 or more times a year | Circular walks from Brockworth for leisure with children | Witness notes signs posted about 3 years ago at both ends of claimed path saying 'Witcombe Estate, Private Land, No Public Right of Way' and another sign at north end of path saying 'Private Road, No Unauthorised Vehicles' although she says this could refer to a different path. Witness belongs to a walking group which has used the claimed path for many years. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 8 | Michael George Roberts | 34 Lasne Crescent Brockworth GL3 4UX | 1970 to 2005 | 35 times a year approximately | On foot from Brockworth to Witcombe via the reservoir and vice versa for exercise and dog walking | Witness notes signs in the last few years saying 'Witcombe Estate, Private Land, No Public Right of Way'. He claims that when using the claimed path he was told to go back and use an alternative path but he refused stating reasons such as mud, safety etc. He was then allowed to continue. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 9 | Valerie Mason | Cartref 1 Shurdington Road Brockworth GL3 4PU | 1982 until notice appeared | At least once a month | On foot from home on frequent walks via the reservoirs for pleasure | Witness notes a 'Private Road' sign with an arrow pointing across a muddy field to be used as an alternative path, which, she says is often a quagmire due to the horses kept in the field. Witness claims she thought a right of way had been established by many years of use. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |

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| 10 | Iris Olivia German | 86 Castle Hill Drive Brockworth GL3 4NX | 1980 until notice appeared | Many times a year | From the Twelve Bells to the reservoirs in the 1980s and from home to the reservoirs from 1990s onwards for walking and bird watching | Witness states that until the notices appeared on the claimed path, all Brockworth and Witcombe residents have known it to be public. She says the alternative footpath is on a slippery slope in a field where horses graze making the mud very deep and thinks local people would like a peaceful walk to the causeway. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 11 | Mrs Mary Heggie | 33 Court Road Brockworth | 1982 to 2001 | 15 times a year | On foot for Sunday walks | Witness notes a sign indicating that the footpath went over a stile and through a field. She claims that in 2001 she was told that the right of way was over a stile and through the field. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 12 | Carole Neal | 16 Moorfield Road Brockworth | 1970 to present (2005) | Once a month | On walking trips to Witcombe Church, the reservoirs, Droys Court etc | Witness notes a sign saying 'Witcombe Estates, Private Land, No Public Right of Way'. She adds that she has walked the claimed path freely for almost 40 years. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 13 | Mrs Sheila Watts | 29 Court Road | 1978 to present day | Several times a year | On foot, rambling | Witness notes a sign telling walkers to go via a field and was given a verbal notice to use the alternative path over the stile and through the field. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |

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| 14 | Mr and Mrs A. E. Peachey | 11 Green Gardens Brockworth GL3 4NH | Occasionally over 31 years | Occasionally | From Brockworth to Witcombe Reservoirs, to Coopers Hill and back to Brockworth for walks | Witnesses note a "very obstructive landowner on a quad bike!" They claim this Spring they were stopped by the landowner and read the Riot Act to. They were eventually allowed to pass through the farm but had to agree not to claim for any injuries that may occur on the land. Witnesses say the owner allows paying visitors such as fishermen and the Cheltenham Ladies College to use his land. They state that for less able walkers the claimed path is a safe access point. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 15 | Gary Dennis John | Green Acres The Knoll Cranham Gloucester GL4 8HR | 1970 to 1995 | At least twice a week during 1977-78. Over 100 times per year | On foot from house in Brockworth to friends houses in Cranham for pleasure, walking the dog and athletic training | Witness recalls gates across the claimed path that were closed when cattle was being moved but then opened for the public to pass through. He says the people at the farm were always friendly and never stopped anyone from using the path. Witness says he is amazed anyone could suggest the path is not a right of way and that he and his family have used it hundreds of times. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant but extending northwards to Hillview Cottages and southwards along AWG4 |
| 16 | Mr Adam Paul Hosler | Romanhurst Birdlip Hill Witcombe GL3 4SN | 1971 to 1978 and 1995 to 2005 | About 25 times a year between 1971 and 1978. About 10 times a year between 1995 and 2005 | On foot as part of a circular walk from house to Buckholt Wood, to reservoir and onto Little Witcombe for pleasure and running | Witness notes a sign on the claimed path saying 'Witcombe Estate, Private Land, No Public Right of Way' in recent years. He stopped using the path when signs were put up. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |

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| 17 | Mrs Mary Organ | 1 Lea Road Brockworth GL3 4JD | 1950s to 2001 | As often as time permitted | On foot and by car from home in Brockworth to the reservoirs for bird-watching, dog walking and nature walks | Witness notes a gate on the claimed path when calves or cows were using it and a sign on a post saying 'Private Road Only'. She says the path has been used for many years and the bridleway used to go into the Woods by Tiny Well and across to Birdlip or Coopers Hill. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 18 | Mrs Maureen Pither | Pendale Farm Droys Court Brockworth Glos. | 1950s, 1960s and onwards | Infrequently | On foot (or by car when transporting elderly or disabled people) from Witcombe to the reservoirs to see the wildlife | Witness notes a recent sign saying 'Private Road'. She was given permission to use the path with the annual Church Rogation Service. Witness claims she has seen many people using the path and didn't know it is not already a public right of way. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 19 | Anthony Pither | Pendale Farm Droys Court Brockworth GL3 4TN | 1960 to 2002 | Monthly | From Birdlip Road (Ermin Way) to the reservoirs at Witcombe for leisure and bird-watching | Witness notes a sign saying 'Private Road, No Public Right of Way'. He claims he was given a verbal warning by Mrs Hicks Beach when walking the path towards Witcombe Church about 3 years ago. Witness states that the path was used a lot by local people in the past. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 20 | Mrs Caralyn Ruddleston | The Granary Breadstone Berkeley Glos. | Nov. 1986 to Feb. 2005 | 45 times a year | From Great Witcombe to reservoirs and onto Roman Villa | Witness states the "single track road" has been used by walkers, dog owners and horse riders for a great many years. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |

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| 21 | Miss V Cooper | Clovelly Great Witcombe GL3 4ST | 1984 to 2005 | Several times per week | From the cricket ground up to the reservoir | Witness notes a sign saying 'No Public Right of Way' posted 3 years ago. She was asked to move while sitting next to the reservoir by "some woman from the Hicks Beach fan club". She says she has been pleasantly greeted by the occupier of the land over the past 20 years. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 22 | David Cooper Jnr. | 75 Andover Road Tivoli Cheltenham | 1985 to 2005 | Several | On foot from home to Roman Villa to reservoirs to cricket pitch and back home for exercise and health benefits | Witness has noticed a sign in the past year. He was given a verbal notice by a man possibly called Frankie who had been drinking and appeared to want confrontation. Witness states he has used the path for 19 years and was on 'greeting' terms with the occupiers. He says there has been over 20 years uninterrupted use of the path. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 23 | David Cooper | Clovelly Great Witcombe Glos. | 1960 to 2005 | Approximately 20 times a year | On foot from family home at Horseferry Bridge, Witcombe | Witness notes signs at each end of the path saying 'Private, No Public Right of Way'. He comments that he has never encountered problems when using the path but is aware of many people being stopped. He says it is constantly used by fishermen and people using the stables. Witness has always regarded the path as a public right of way. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |

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| 24 | Mrs Lynne S. Cooper | Clovelly Great Witcombe Glos. | 1975 to 2005 | Several times a week | On foot to reservoirs from Horseferry Bridge Farm and then Clovelly for leisure and running | Witness notes a sign in the last few years saying 'Private Land, No Public Right of Way'. She says Mark Hicks-Breach allowed access but his son Freddie told her in early 2002 that it is private land. She says people have been traumatised by the aggressive attitude of the landowners and only a few people have been given permission to use the path such as paying fishermen and those using the owners holiday properties. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 25 | Christopher Cooper | 10 Redhouse Way Priory Vale Swindon SN25 2AZ | 1975 to 2005 | | Formerly to and from home in Witcombe and latterly from relatives at Clovelly for leisure walking | Witness notes signs at each end of the claimed path saying 'No Public Right of Way'. He says he has used the path for many years and was surprised to see the notices. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 26 | Richard Cooper | 18 Hermitage Street Cheltenham | 1980 to 2005 | 10 to 15 times a year | From Witcombe Village to reservoirs and beyond | Witness claims he has walked the path many times a year without challenge, often saying hello to the occupants. He comments that the more people using the path legitimately, the more this will discourage criminals. | Witness has not marked the map |

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| 27 | Mrs Miriam Joyce Beard | The Cottage Green Lane Little Witcombe GL3 4TY | 1991 to 2004 | 4 to 6 times a year | Walking in the countryside for pleasure | Witness notes a sign located south of Hillview Cottages saying 'No Unauthorised Vehicles'. She says during the summer of 2004 she was stopped by someone at Witcombe Farm and told to turn and go over a stile to the right near the farm. Witness had always assumed the path was a right of way. The alternative path is difficult with loose horses, fencing, hedges and stiles. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 28 | Duncan Hepburn | Marlborough House Birdlip Hill Witcombe GL3 4SN | 1993 to 2001 | 20 to 30 times a year and weekly during 97/98 | On foot to Witcombe Reservoirs and onto St Mary's Church for leisure and exercise with friends, visitors and children | Witness notes signs saying 'Witcombe Estate, Private Land, No Right of Way' put up 3-4 years ago all over the area and not just on path. He says he has spoken with the Hicks Beaches whilst walking the path. Witness states that since Mr Hicks Beach died, the freedom previously granted to the locals using the path has been restricted. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 29 | Ruth Hepburn | Marlborough House Birdlip Hill Witcombe | 1993 to 2001 | 20 or more times a year and during 97/98 a few times a week | On foot to Witcombe Reservoirs and onto St Mary's Church with friends, family, visitors and children to look at view and for exercise | Witness notes signs saying 'Witcombe Estate, Private Land, No Right of Way' at both ends of the claimed path and at other locations on the estate put up 3-4 years ago. She says she has spoken to the Hicks Beaches to say hello whilst using the path. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |

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| 30 | Sybil Ida Knight | Glaisdale Astridge Road Witcombe Glos. | 1935 to 2005 | Frequently years ago | On foot past the reservoir onto Roman Villa Road walking the dog, nature walks and for leisure | Witness notes a sign put up 3 years ago saying 'No Public Right of Way'. She says she has always known the claimed path as a right of way and her father used it repeatedly during the early nineties. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 31 | Penelope J Canbilen | Pasaderas Little Witcombe Glos. GL3 4SS | 1975 to 2005 | Many times a week | On foot and horse-back to woods or Roman Villa for recreation and to exercise horses and dogs | Witness notes a 'Bridleway' sign roughly where 'No Public Right of Way' sign is now. She says she was turned back when using the way after the restriction signs went up by the lady running the stables. Witness claims Mr Mark Hicks Beach used to say hello as she used the path. She adds that this was the main bridle route to the woods in the 1970s and 1980s. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 32 | Louise Mary Taylor | Berthon House Mamhilad Pontypool Monmouthshire NP4 0JF | 1975 to 2005 | Several times a week until 1983 when she moved. Now regularly when visiting | On foot and horse back from Pasaderas in Little Witcombe to Witcombe Reservoirs and Woods for leisure | Witness notes a sign in the last 3 years saying 'Witcombe Estates – No Right of Way'. She claims that until 3 years ago she was seen by the owners regularly and not turned away. Witness has used the path since she was 10 years old and has happy memories associated with it. She says the alternative route is longer and can be difficult to negotiate due to stiles and horses. She states the claimed route is still used by people who pay the owners for use of the stables and fishing facilities. She believes it should be open to the general public. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |

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| 33 | Julian K Comrie | Greenway House Greenway North Curry Taunton Somerset TA3 6NH | 1968 to 1975 and occasionally later | 15 to 20 times a year | On foot or sometimes by car to Witcombe Reservoirs for bird-watching and to visit the nature reserve | Witness notes a 'Gloucestershire Trust Nature Reserve' sign at the claimed path. From 1967-1975 witness was a member of the GTNC (Glos. Trust for Nature Conservation) and worked on establishing a nature reserve at the reservoirs with the Water Board. He had unimpeded access to the reservoirs via the path by foot and car during this time. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 34 | Rosemary Jean Hellerman | The Haven Tea Garden Coopers Hill Brockworth GL3 4SB | 1930s to 2003 | Several times a week during the summer | On foot and by bike from Coopers Hill to visit friends at Witcombe Farm, The Old Rectory and walks for leisure | Witness notes a 'Private Road' sign for the road used by the Water Board staff. She says she has always believed the path to be a right of way and was very surprised when it was closed by Mrs Hicks Beach. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 35 | Mary Hosler | 11 Ansdell Drive Brockworth GL3 4BT | 1971 to 1997 | About once a month | Usually by car to Witcombe Reservoir to paint as she is an amateur artist. Sometimes by foot for a walk | Witness notes a sign at the beginning of the path saying 'Private Property, No Right of Way', which has been there a few years. She says the last time she used the path in the car she was stopped and told not to park the car on the path. She was told that the path is not a right of way, but was given permission to use it that one time. She has not been back since. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |

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| 36 | Olivia Dell | The Villa Great Witcombe Glos. GL3 4TS | 1984 to 2002 | 50 times a year | On foot to Roman Villa and the reservoir for pleasure | Witness notes a sign at the north end of the path saying 'Private Land, No Public Access' put up about 2 years ago. She was warned recently by Mrs Hicks Beach not to use the path through the farmyard but to go through the field. Witness says she had always said 'good day' to the owners when using the path, so assumed it was public. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 37 | Mrs Angela Hendry | 6 The Crescent Brockworth Gloucester | 1947 to 2005 | About 15 times a year | A circular walk from Brockworth, via the reservoirs to Roman Villa for recreation | Witness notes a sign saying 'Private Road, No Vehicles' at the claimed path. She was told by a man in the fishing office that the route was not a right of way (around Nov. 2004) but she refused to turn back. Witness states she cannot take her grandson to the reservoirs via the alternative paths, as they are not suitable for prams/pushchairs. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 38 | John Gregory Miles | 1 Astor Close Brockworth Glos. GL3 4AS | Late 1940 to present | Over 20 times a year | On foot for various trips to the reservoirs, Roman Villa and Coopers Hill etc | Witness notes recent signs posted on each end of the claimed path saying 'Witcombe Estate, Private Property. Witness states that over the last 3 years he has been stopped or told not to use the path by the landowner and has turned back due to verbal abuse. He says he has always used the path and felt welcome until about 3 years ago. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |

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| 39 | Edward W Pope | Peake View Cottage Little Witcombe Gloucester GL3 4SW | 1950 to 2004 | Often with young family but less lately | On foot from home to Witcombe Reservoirs and surrounding countryside | Witness notes a sign at the northern end of the claimed path saying 'Private Road, No Unauthorised Vehicles'. He states he was given permission to use the path many years ago by Mrs Diana Hicks Beach. Witness says he has lived in the village for over 50 years and always used the path. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 40 | Mrs Beryl Inez Pope | Peake View Cottage Little Witcombe Glos. GL3 4SW | 1950 to 2004 | Often when family was young, less lately | On foot from home to reservoirs and adjoining countryside for enjoyment | Witness notes a sign at the entrance to the Water Board property saying 'Private Road, No Unauthorised Vehicles'. She was given permission to use the path some time ago by Mrs Diana Hicks Beach. Witness claims she has used the path for over fifty years. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 41 | Susan Willis | 113 Abbotswood Road Brockworth Glos. GL3 4PD | 1964 to 2003 | 3 to 4 times a week until 1988, then weekly | On foot and horse-back from home into Witcombe Woods to exercise horses and walking the dog | Witness notes a sign saying 'Witcombe Estate, Private Land, No Public Right of Way'. She says that the previous tenant gave her permission to use the path. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 42 | Mr Simon Ruddleston MRICS | The Granary Breadstone Berkeley Glos. | 1986 to 2005 | 30 times a year (average) | On foot from Great Witcombe to the reservoirs and to Witcombe Roman Villa for leisure | Witness states the claimed path has been used for many years by locals and non locals for recreational walks to the reservoirs and onto the Cotswolds | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant but extending northwards to Berries Cottage |

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| 43 | Mrs P. A. Willis | 1 Gannet Close Brockworth Glos. GL3 4UT | 1937 to 1999 | As a child, often. During later years about twice a year | On foot from house to reservoirs for exercise and pleasure | Witness notes a gate just past the turning to the Pump House and a sign towards the Pump House saying 'Private'. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 44 | Mrs Patricia Curtis | Marlborough Cottage Birdlip Hill Witcombe Glos. GL3 4SN | 1950s to 2001/02 as a footpath. 1955 to 1980s as a bridleway | Weekly (or more often in the summer) | On foot or horse-back to Witcombe Reservoirs and beyond to Witcombe Woods and other paths for dog walking, horse riding and leisure walks | Witness notes a gate into the reservoir in 1950s/60s. She also notes a sign saying 'Witcombe Estate. Private Land. No Public Right of Way'. Witness says in 1994/95 she was turned back when using the path as a bridleway. She was given permission to use it in 1999-2000 when her horse was at the livery at Witcombe Farm. Witness continued to use the path on foot after 1994/95 with no verbal restrictions until the signs were erected in 2002. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 45 | Rev. John Thornton | 24 Spencer Close Hucclecote Gloucester GL3 3EA | 1962 to 1991 and 1991 to 2003 | | Professionally on foot during church Rogation Processions. Recreationally on foot to visit reservoirs | Witness notes a gate at the entrance to Witcombe Farm that has been removed. He also notes a sign in 2003 saying 'Witcombe Estate, Private Land, No Right of Way'. Witness was once Rector of Great Witcombe and many church-goers used the path. It was also walked during Church Rogation Processions. Recreationally, the witness has regularly used the path as access to the reservoirs. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |

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| 46 | John Pye | 4 Pillcroft Road Witcombe Gloucester | 1960s to present day | Several times a year | On foot from Witcombe Village to the reservoirs and beyond | Witness says he used the path for many years before he understood that there was a problem. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 47 | Bob Miles | 5 Parliament Close Stroud Glos. GL5 1DQ | 1955 to 1997 | 1072 times a year during the 50s and 60s. Less frequently during 70s, 80s and 90s | On foot from Little Witcombe to the woods and onto Birdlip for leisure and recreation | Witness has not noticed any obstructions on the claimed path. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |
| 48 | Eunice Elizabeth Straley | 2 Church Close Cranham Gloucester GL4 8HT | 1957 to 2005 | Often on a daily basis, except during college term-time for 4 years and during foot and mouth epidemic in 2001 for 19 months | On foot to Witcombe Reservoirs for leisure, walking the dogs, pleasure, exercise and fresh air and for other purposes i.e., church, nature study etc. | Witness notes signs at both ends of the claimed path saying 'Witcombe Estate, Private Land, No Public Right of Way'. She says after Mrs Hicks Beach moved into the farm in the early 80s, she saw the witness and her family walking the path and conversed with them. Witness has never been told not to use the path. She says the alternative route is impassable at times and precludes disabled people. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map which follows route submitted by applicant |

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| 49 | Peter Bradshaw of Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust (GWT) | Church House Standish Glos. GL10 3EU | 1971 to 2005 | Various times throughout year | GWT staff and members use the road as access to the nature reserve by foot for work and leisure | Witness notes a sign saying 'Witcombe Estate, Private Land, No Public Right of Way' and another saying 'Private Road – No Unauthorised Vehicles'. GWT have a right of access through their agreement with Severn Trent but some members have been refused access. | Witness has marked out the claimed path on the map following route submitted by applicant and other routes |