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Date: Tuesday, 11 April 2023

Dear Sir or Madam,

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the **CRAMLINGTON, BEDLINGTON AND SEATON VALLEY LOCAL AREA COUNCIL** to be held in **COUNCIL CHAMBER - COUNTY HALL** on **WEDNESDAY, 19 APRIL 2023** at **5.00 PM**.

Yours faithfully

Dr Helen Paterson
Chief Executive

To Cramlington, Bedlington and Seaton Valley Local Area Council members as follows:-

L Bowman, E Chicken, W Daley, C Dunbar, P Ezhilchelvan, D Ferguson, B Flux, S Lee (Vice-Chair), M Robinson, M Swinburn (Chair), C Taylor and R Wilczek (Vice-Chair (Planning))



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AGENDA

PART I

It is expected that the matters included in this part of the agenda will be dealt with in public.

1. **PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED AT PLANNING MEETINGS** (Pages 1 - 2)

2. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

3. **MINUTES** (Pages 3 - 18)

Minutes of the meetings of the Cramlington, Bedlington & Seaton Valley Local Area Council held on 21 February and 21 March 2023 as circulated, to be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

4. **DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

Unless already entered in the Council's Register of Members' interests, members are required where a matter arises at a meeting;

- a. Which **directly relates to** Disclosable Pecuniary Interest ('DPI') as set out in Appendix B, Table 1 of the Code of Conduct, to disclose the interest, not participate in any discussion or vote and not to remain in room. Where members have a DPI or if the matter concerns an executive function and is being considered by a Cabinet Member with a DPI they must notify the Monitoring Officer and arrange for somebody else to deal with the matter.
- b. Which **directly relates to** the financial interest or well being of a Other Registrable Interest as set out in Appendix B, Table 2 of the Code of Conduct to disclose the interest and only speak on the matter if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting but otherwise must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain the room.
- c. Which **directly relates to** their financial interest or well-being (and is not DPI) or the financial well being of a relative or close associate, to declare the interest and members may only speak on the matter if members of the public are also allowed to speak. Otherwise, the member must not take part in discussion or vote on the matter and must leave the room.
- d. Which **affects** the financial well-being of the member, a relative or close associate or a body included under the Other Registrable Interests column in Table 2, to disclose the interest and apply the test set out at paragraph 9 of Appendix B before deciding whether they may remain in the meeting.
- e. Where Members have or a Cabinet Member has an Other Registerable Interest or Non Registerable Interest in a matter being considered in exercise of their executive function, they must notify the Monitoring Officer and arrange for somebody else to deal with it.

NB Any member needing clarification must contact monitoringofficer@northumberland.gov.uk. Members are referred to the Code of Conduct which contains the matters above in full. Please refer to the guidance on disclosures at the rear of this agenda letter.

5. DETERMINATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(Pages
19 - 22)

To request the committee to decide the planning applications attached to this report using the powers delegated to it.

Please note that printed letters of objection/support are no longer circulated with the agenda but are available on the Council's website at <http://www.northumberland.gov.uk/Planning.aspx>

6. 22/03491/FUL

(Pages
23 - 36)

The proposal is for a 3 phased development, consisting of 28 industrial units with an integral circulation road and secondary site access point. Atley Way, North Nelson Industrial Estate, Cramlington, Northumberland.

7. APPEALS UPDATE

(Pages
37 - 48)

For Members' information to report the progress of planning appeals. This is a monthly report and relates to appeals throughout all 5 Local Area Council Planning Committee areas and covers appeals of Strategic Planning Committee.

8. REVIEW OF THE DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT OF PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY - ALLEGED FOOTPATH NO 200 FORMER BLYTH VALLEY BOROUGH

(Pages
49 - 294)

In this report, the Cramlington, Bedlington and Seaton Valley Local Area Council is asked to consider all the relevant evidence gathered in support and in rebuttal of the existence of public footpath rights over a route between the U9541 footpath and the car park for East Cramlington Nature Reserve, and then looping back on itself.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Cramlington, Bedlington & Seaton Valley Local Area Council will take place on **Tuesday 16 May 2023** at The Community Hub, Cramlington.

10. URGENT BUSINESS

To consider such other business, as in the opinion of the Chair, should, by reason of special circumstances, be considered as a matter of urgency.

IF YOU HAVE AN INTEREST AT THIS MEETING, PLEASE:

- Declare it and give details of its nature before the matter is discussed or as soon as it becomes apparent to you.
- Complete this sheet and pass it to the Democratic Services Officer.

Name:		Date of meeting:	
Meeting:			
Item to which your interest relates:			
Nature of Interest i.e. either disclosable pecuniary interest (as defined by Table 1 of Appendix B to the Code of Conduct, Other Registerable Interest or Non-Registerable Interest (as defined by Appendix B to Code of Conduct) (please give details):			
Are you intending to withdraw from the meeting?		Yes - <input type="checkbox"/>	No - <input type="checkbox"/>

Registering Interests

Within 28 days of becoming a member or your re-election or re-appointment to office you must register with the Monitoring Officer the interests which fall within the categories set out in **Table 1 (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests)** which are as described in "The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012". You should also register details of your other personal interests which fall within the categories set out in **Table 2 (Other Registerable Interests)**.

"Disclosable Pecuniary Interest" means an interest of yourself, or of your partner if you are aware of your partner's interest, within the descriptions set out in Table 1 below.

"Partner" means a spouse or civil partner, or a person with whom you are living as husband or wife, or a person with whom you are living as if you are civil partners.

1. You must ensure that your register of interests is kept up-to-date and within 28 days of becoming aware of any new interest, or of any change to a registered interest, notify the Monitoring Officer.
2. A 'sensitive interest' is as an interest which, if disclosed, could lead to the councillor, or a person connected with the councillor, being subject to violence or intimidation.
3. Where you have a 'sensitive interest' you must notify the Monitoring Officer with the reasons why you believe it is a sensitive interest. If the Monitoring Officer agrees they will withhold the interest from the public register.

Non participation in case of disclosable pecuniary interest

4. Where a matter arises at a meeting which directly relates to one of your Disclosable Pecuniary Interests as set out in **Table 1**, you must disclose the interest, not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless you have been granted a dispensation. If it is a 'sensitive interest', you do not have to disclose the nature of the interest, just that you have an interest.

Dispensation may be granted in limited circumstances, to enable you to participate and vote on a matter in which you have a disclosable pecuniary interest.

5. Where you have a disclosable pecuniary interest on a matter to be considered or is being considered by you as a Cabinet member in exercise of your executive function, you must notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest and must not take any steps or further steps in the matter apart from arranging for someone else to deal with it.

Disclosure of Other Registerable Interests

6. Where a matter arises at a meeting which **directly relates** to the financial interest or wellbeing of one of your Other Registerable Interests (as set out in **Table 2**), you must disclose the interest. You may speak on the matter only if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting but otherwise must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless you have been granted a dispensation. If it is a 'sensitive interest', you do not have to disclose the nature of the interest.

Disclosure of Non-Registerable Interests

7. Where a matter arises at a meeting which **directly relates** to your financial interest or well-being (and is not a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest set out in **Table 1**) or a financial interest or well-being of a relative or close associate, you must disclose the interest. You may speak on the matter only if

members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting. Otherwise you must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless you have been granted a dispensation. If it is a 'sensitive interest', you do not have to disclose the nature of the interest.

8. Where a matter arises at a meeting which **affects** –

- a. your own financial interest or well-being;
- b. a financial interest or well-being of a relative or close associate; or
- c. a financial interest or wellbeing of a body included under Other Registrable Interests as set out in **Table 2** you must disclose the interest. In order to determine whether you can remain in the meeting after disclosing your interest the following test should be applied

9. Where a matter (referred to in paragraph 8 above) **affects** the financial interest or well- being:

- a. to a greater extent than it affects the financial interests of the majority of inhabitants of the ward affected by the decision and;
- b. a reasonable member of the public knowing all the facts would believe that it would affect your view of the wider public interest

You may speak on the matter only if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting. Otherwise, you must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless you have been granted a dispensation.

If it is a 'sensitive interest', you do not have to disclose the nature of the interest.

Where you have an Other Registerable Interest or Non-Registerable Interest on a matter to be considered or is being considered by you as a Cabinet member in exercise of your executive function, you must notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest and must not take any steps or further steps in the matter apart from arranging for someone else to deal with it.

Table 1: Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

This table sets out the explanation of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests as set out in the [Relevant Authorities \(Disclosable Pecuniary Interests\) Regulations 2012](#).

Subject	Description
Employment, office, trade, profession or vocation	Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain. [Any unpaid directorship.]
Sponsorship	Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the council) made to the councillor during the previous 12-month period for expenses incurred by him/her in carrying out his/her duties as a councillor, or towards his/her election expenses. This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.
Contracts	Any contract made between the councillor or his/her spouse or civil partner or the person with whom the councillor is living as if they were spouses/civil partners (or a firm in which such person is a partner, or an incorporated body of which such person is a director* or a body that such person has a beneficial interest in the securities of*) and the council — (a) under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and (b) which has not been fully discharged.
Land and Property	Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of the council. ‘Land’ excludes an easement, servitude, interest or right in or over land which does not give the councillor or his/her spouse or civil partner or the person with whom the councillor is living as if they were spouses/ civil partners (alone or jointly with another) a right to occupy or to receive income.
Licenses	Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of the council for a month or longer
Corporate tenancies	Any tenancy where (to the councillor’s knowledge)— (a) the landlord is the council; and (b) the tenant is a body that the councillor, or his/her spouse or civil partner or the person with whom the councillor is living as if they were spouses/ civil partners is a partner of or a director* of or has a beneficial interest in the securities* of.
Securities	Any beneficial interest in securities* of a body

	<p>where—</p> <p>(a) that body (to the councillor's knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the council; and</p> <p>(b) either—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. the total nominal value of the securities* exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or ii. if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which the councillor, or his/ her spouse or civil partner or the person with whom the councillor is living as if they were spouses/civil partners has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.
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* 'director' includes a member of the committee of management of an industrial and provident society.

* 'securities' means shares, debentures, debenture stock, loan stock, bonds, units of a collective investment scheme within the meaning of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and other securities of any description, other than money deposited with a building society.

Table 2: Other Registrable Interests

You have a personal interest in any business of your authority where it relates to or is likely to affect:

- a) any body of which you are in general control or management and to which you are nominated or appointed by your authority
- b) any body
 - i. exercising functions of a public nature
 - ii. any body directed to charitable purposes or
 - iii. one of whose principal purposes includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union)



Northumberland County Council

PROCEDURE AT PLANNING COMMITTEE

A) Welcome from Chairman to members and Members of the public present

Welcome to also include reference to

- (i) All Mobile phones should be switched to silent and should not be used during the meeting.
- (ii) Members are asked to keep microphones on mute unless speaking
- (iii) If any Member leaves and then returns to the room during consideration of an application then they may not take any further part in that application.

B) Record attendance of members

- (i) Democratic Services Officer (DSO) to announce and record any apologies received.

C) Minutes of previous meeting and Disclosure of Members' Interests

D) Development Control

APPLICATION

Chair

Introduces application

Site Visit Video (previously circulated) - invite members questions

Planning Officer

Updates – Changes to recommendations – present report

Public Speaking

Objector(s) (up to 5 mins)

Local member (up to 5 mins)/ parish councillor (up to 5 mins)

Applicant/Supporter (up to 5 mins)

NO QUESTIONS IN RELATION TO WRITTEN REPRESENTATIONS OR OF/BY LOCAL COUNCILLOR

Committee members' questions to Planning Officers

Chairman to respond to raised hands of members as to whether they have any questions of the Planning Officers

Debate (Rules)

Proposal

Seconded

DEBATE

Again Chairman to respond to raised hand of members as to whether they wish to participate in the debate

- No speeches until proposal seconded
- Speech may not exceed 6 minutes
- Amendments to Motions
- Approve/Refuse/Defer

Vote(by majority or Chair's casting vote)

- (i) Planning Officer confirms and reads out wording of resolution
- (ii) Legal officer should then record the vote FOR/AGAINST/ABSTAIN (reminding members that they should abstain where they have not heard all of the consideration of the application)

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

CRAMLINGTON, BEDLINGTON AND SEATON VALLEY LOCAL AREA COUNCIL

At the meeting of the **Cramlington, Bedlington and Seaton Valley Local Area Council** held at Seaton Sluice Community Centre, Albert Road, Seaton Sluice, NE26 4QX on Tuesday, 21 February 2023 at 4.00 pm.

PRESENT

M Swinburn (Chair in the Chair, for agenda items 76 – 78 and 81 – 83)
R Wilczek Vice Chair, Planning in the Chair for agenda items 79 - 80)

MEMBERS

L Bowman
E Chicken
W Daley
C Dunbar
P Echilchelvan
D Ferguson

B Flux
M Robinson
C Taylor
R Wilczek

MEMBERS ALSO PRESENT

G Sanderson

OFFICERS

J Blenkinsopp
H Bowers
R Fenwick
P Jones
R Laughton
J Murphy
J Rose

N Snowdon

Lawyer
Democratic Services Officer
Housing Delivery Manager
Service Director, Local Services
Senior Planning Officer
Planning Area Manager
Interim Executive Director, Planning & Economy
Principle Programme Officer, Highways Improvement

Public: 4

76. CHAIR'S OPENING COMMENTS

The Chair referred to the recent sad passing of Michael Carle, Highways Delivery Manager who had been a respected officer and colleague and would be dearly missed. A minute's silence was requested as a mark of respect.

77. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Lee.

78. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Cramlington, Bedlington and Seaton Valley Local Area Council, held on 17 January 2023, as circulated, were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

79. DETERMINATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The report requested the Committee to decide the planning applications attached to the report using the powers delegated to it. Members were reminded of the principles which should govern their consideration of the applications, the procedure for handling representations, the requirement of conditions and the need for justifiable reasons for the granting of permission or refusal of planning applications.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

80. 21/01588/FUL

**Proposed erection of 9 no. 2 bed affordable bungalows
Land north east of Hastings Hartley Arms, Lysdon Avenue, New Hartley,
Northumberland**

Richard Laughton, Senior Planning Officer introduced the report with the aid of a power point presentation.

John Barrell was in attendance and spoke in objection of the application. The main key points were:

- What he was going to say would not change the decision on the application. However, he wanted to register his complete lack of trust in the planning system.
- He was an immediate neighbour to the site and despite suffering 3 years of building work on 2 sides, he welcomed the proposed removal of the unkempt eyesore and replacement, with more useful and much needed affordable housing. It was the way in which this was being achieved that was objectionable.
- The proposal was promoted on behalf of Advance Northumberland, a wholly owned development company of NCC, whose focus was the regeneration of Northumberland. It should, therefore, be setting an exemplar of planning development to maximise development

opportunities rather than seeking minimal change to the existing isolated plot.

- The officer's report regarding Panning Policy cited compliance with STP1, 2 and 3 as New Hartley was recognised as a service village within the NLP and served by public transport and comprises facilities including a public house, convenience store and primary school.
- The bus service is X7 which was scheduled every half an hour (but increasingly with unplanned cancellations) between Newcastle and Blyth and the nearest shop was over 300m walk distance from the site.
- The pub did not serve food and the school was oversubscribed.
- Walking and cycling routes were limited in the immediate vicinity of the site and the provision of communal cycle storage with car parking directly in front of properties was a token gesture to sustainability.
- Policy QOP 4 highlighted that new development would be expected to incorporate well-designed landscaping and respond appropriately to any existing landscape features. Apart from internal site clearance, the proposal sought to maintain the substantial tree boundary to the north west isolating and screening the development from the rest of the village. This created a secluded ghetto with a single point of access.
- The application was validated by the Planning Department in April 2021. During the intervening two years, all that had changed was a watering down of the proposed mitigation work, principally to the access proposals. Those started out as a substantial simplification and separation of a complex of 5 roads all meeting within 15m of each other. The final proposals now presented were to retain this complexity of movement and add a further road within that area, yet Highways Development Management only comments related to the internal layout, which would not be adopted. Any concerns to be finalised and addressed in a S278 agreement was yet to be signed.
- No consideration seemed to have been given to the wider context and setting. Seaburn View was the prime pedestrian route for children walking to school from the existing housing and the new development of 286 houses in Church Fields. The added complexity of these junctions was bound to have an adverse impact on both road safety and sustainability. If, for no other reason that parents would perceive additional danger and choose to drive children to school. The recently installed pedestrian and cycle zone around the school was already being abused by parents who would not walk their children to school. The proposal in its current form would only make that worse.
- Alternative access (which had been repeatedly discounted) was possible via Montford Road/Hastings Terrace to the north west as this already provided vehicular access to the garages which were currently well used, rather than being abandoned as referred to in the Open Space Assessment. The current tenants had been served with notices and told to remove their property before demolition started in 10 days. The closest alternative facilities they had been offered were in Ashington or Bedlington, which was not very convenient or sustainable for a resident of New Hartley.
- The remainder of the site was used as recreational space by adjoining properties in Seaburn View and the Open Space Assessment

discounted that as not having any recreational value to local people, despite children playing there regularly under the watchful eye of their parents/guardians from the surrounding windows. Again, the alternative was stated as a minute's walk to unsupervised Protected Open Space to the north east. This was more like a 5 minute walk and no responsible adult would allow their young child there unsupervised. The realistic alternative was playing on the front street, which this development made more complicated with the additional traffic movements.

- Therefore, the Open Space Assessment did NOT provide a credible case for poor recreational quality and amenity space.
- So much more could be achieved with the site.
- He urged the Committee to consider carefully how it treated isolated development proposals as part of a structured approach to planning development, being proactive rather than reactive.

Alex Franklin, Hedley Planning Consultants, agent for the applicant was in attendance and made the following comments:

- He thanked members for the opportunity to speak on behalf of Ascent Homes in support of the application for a 100% affordable housing development that would be acquired, let and managed by Northumberland County Council.
- He fully supported the recommendation for approval as detailed within the Committee report and thanked the officers for working with them as they had addressed all comments raised by consultees and local residents.
- The development of 9, 2 bedroomed bungalows, specifically for those with level access needs within a sustainably accessible location would meet a specific housing need for the area, as identified within the Northumberland Strategic Housing Market Assessment.
- As all dwellings would be 100% affordable, members should give this significant weight within the planning balance.
- The proposed, under utilised site was not allocated as Open Space within the Neighbourhood Plan. It was partially recognised as brownfield land with the secluded area of greenfield land enclosed to the rear of existing properties and not visible from the public highway. The Open Space Assessment submitted in support of the application demonstrated a wide variety of more accessible areas of public open space within New Hartley of a much higher quality. The site, therefore, did not contribute to the needs of the local population within the immediate area, as supported by the Parish Council.
- The applicant had worked cooperatively with the Local Authority throughout the application process, addressing all consultee comments and any concerns from local residents.
- With particular regard to accessibility and highways safety, the site access had been significantly altered in response to those comments. An independent Road Safety Audit had been undertaken to demonstrate the development did not provide safe access onto and

from the existing highway network. The proposed access as detailed on plans was considered appropriate and safe by highway professionals.

- With regards to comments raised on the planning portal:
 - Although the development site was situated within the Coal Authority Standing Advice Area, Public Protection had no objections to the proposal, subject to Condition 11, 12 and 13 which related to ground conditions.
 - There would be no impact upon residential amenity during the construction phase as an appropriate Construction Management Plan would be submitted to and agreed with the Local Planning Authority prior to the commencement of development within Condition 9 and 17.
 - There was no objection from the County Ecologist. Existing trees along the northern boundary were to be retained and ecological enhancements, such as bat and bird boxes would be secured within Condition 5. As noted within the Committee report, whilst the loss of a single tree was regrettable, within the planning balance, the provision of affordable, level access bungalow to meet an unidentified need should be given significant weight within the assessment.
 - Both Northumbrian Water and the Lead Local Flood Authority had no objections to the drainage proposals.
 - To summarise, the proposal provided much needed affordable housing, in line with the aims of the NPPF and Northumberland Local Plan. The 2 bed bungalows had capacity to be “life-time” homes within a sustainably accessible location. All the technical information submitted had concluded that the proposed development would not have an adverse impact upon the surrounding area and its residents.
 - As the proposal fully accorded with all relevant planning policy, he respectfully requested that members approved the application before them, as recommended by the Planning Officer.

The following responses were provided to questions from Members of the Committee:

- The people who owned the garages had not been compensated
- The existing garages were unsafe. And unsightly.
- Ascent Homes had issued Demolition Notices and no complaints or responses had been received. It was not a planning issue, but for the landowner to agree with those who had garages on their land.
- There had been no objections from Highway regarding access.
- This was a 100% affordable housing scheme and would be affordable rent.
- The properties would be advertised on Homefinder and prioritised for individuals in housing need.
- The ownership issue for the demolition of the garages was not a material planning consideration. There had been no objections

received in terms of them being demolished and the applicant separately issued demolition notices where no complaint was received.

- Mr Laughton had not been involved in a previous housing development in New Hartley (15/01182/FUL) and therefore could not comment on the affordable housing comments.
- The application had been supported by drainage proposals to discharge into the existing mains. Northumbrian Water and LLFA had been consulted with no objections, subject to conditions.
- The Housing and Enabling Team had been unsuccessful on the Barratt site (15/01182/FUL) but then had been allowed at appeal by PINS. Again, the current application could only be considered for 100% affordable housing which was a positive factor.

Councillor Robinson moved the recommendation to approve the application which was seconded by Councillor Flux and unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED that the application be **GRANTED** permission subject to the conditions/reasons in the report.

80. APPEALS UPDATE

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

81. LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN PROGRAMME 2023-24

Paul Jones provided an introduction to the report which set out the details of the draft Local Transport Plan (LTP) programme for 2023-24 for consideration and comment by the Local Area Council. Final approval of the programme would be made by the Executive Director responsible for Local Services in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment and Local Services.

In response to members questions, the following information was provided:

- Where possible, specific information had been provided, schemes were generic and enabled works to be undertaken.
- There was a need to retain generic funding for rural safety schemes.
- If a scheme was not listed, it would not be on the programme
- The speed surveys would be done on schools when it was applicable to do so.
- The comments regarding guidelines at West End School and bus stop raised kerbs, High Pit Road, Cramlington would be forward to Highways Delivery and followed up.
- Micro surfacing for Chesterhill and Cation Way would be considered in a future programme.
- The footpaths in Alexandra Park would be looked into.
- An email to be forwarded to N Snowdon regarding the dual carriageway at CLV.

- The petition report on the A193 between South Beach and Seaton Sluice should be available soon.

(Councillor Ezchilchelvan left the meeting at 5.16 pm)

- Mr Snowdon would follow up the re-costing of the 20 mph scheme from Barns Park/Southfied Gardens and report back.
- Allocations were always difficult and were based on asset transfer/surveys and feedback from local members.

(Councillor Ezchilchelvan re-joined the meeting at 5.26 pm).

RESOLVED that the contents of the report be noted.

82. NE DEVOLUTION UPDATE AND REGIONAL CONSULTATION

Councillor Sanderson informed members that the Leaders of Durham, Gateshead, Newcastle, North Tyneside, South Tyneside and Sunderland Councils had agreed in principle to a devolution deal which the Government had 'minded' to approve.

Public consultation was taking place at all Local Area Councils and an event at Alnwick had been well attended.

The consultation was on the Council's website, with a list of venues of paper copies of the consultation.

Janice Rose, Interim Director of Planning and Economy shared a presentation of which the key points were:

- The 'minded to' deal would set out a new framework
- The new combined authority would be headed up by a Metro mayor, who was expected to be elected in 2024
- The deal would provide significantly more power and money to the region than at present
- Transport – previously not a lot of funding had been devolved to the north east
- Investment – a significant fund supported by an investment plan
- Skills, education and inclusion – funding towards expanding adult education, with focus on employability and inclusion
- Housing, land and digital infrastructure - devolved housing powers and expansion of brownfield funding, as well as additional regeneration to improve communities.
- Clean energy and net zero – measures to unlock potential and increased investment in our major industries, businesses and infrastructure to support clean energy and net zero transition – including a unique 'Green Superport' model.
- Rural economy and sustainability – clear focus on rural growth and stewardship, including a specific rural investment plan and focus on food

security, biodiversity and nature gain. The only areas not included were Cramlington and Blyth. A specific rural board would be set up which Northumberland would chair.

- Culture, tourism and place – opportunity to collectively utilise and enhance the region’s greatest assets and partnerships.
- Health and public service reform – tackling inequalities by including measures to drive innovation in prevention, healthy housing, and social care collaboration

The seven local authorities had carried out a review to explore whether a new combined authority for the region would be beneficial to the North East, which concluded that the new combined authority would benefit economic growth and delivery of public services, devolved funding and also unlock new funding and powers.

In response to members questions, the following information was provided:

- The deal would give the power for transport to work collaboratively, with better connectivity and integrated ticketing
- Mini park and ride schemes would be explored to help extend the reach of bus services
- Governance was in place that would work, the Mayor would understand all the needs and aspirations. There had been no appetite to have a referendum in the area.
- There was a constitution that all 7 councils and the Mayor had to agree to a list of key decisions
- A consultation dashboard was being produced on a regular basis and Sarah McMillan would be able to share the information on her return from leave.
- The suggestion of signposting the consultation to young people through the school’s network and engaging with the Youth Parliament would be looked into, if not already in hand
- The Joint Transport Committee would be subsumed into the Combined Authority.
- The decision making process would be strong.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

83. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting would take place on Tuesday 21 March 2023.

CHAIR

DATE

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

CRAMLINGTON, BEDLINGTON AND SEATON VALLEY LOCAL AREA COUNCIL

At the meeting of the **Cramlington, Bedlington and Seaton Valley Local Area Council** held at Netherton Social Club, 1a Netherton Lane, Bedlington, NE22 6DP on Tuesday, 21 March 2023 at 4.00 pm.

PRESENT

M Swinburn (Chair)

MEMBERS

L Bowman
E Chicken
C Dunbar
P Ezhilchelvan

D Ferguson
M Robinson
C Taylor

OFFICERS

N Blagburn
H Bowers
G Bucknall
T Gribbin
R Mason

Programme Delivery Director
Democratic Services Officer
Highways Delivery Manager
Neighbourhood Services Area Manager
Interim Highways Area Manager

Public: 17
Press: 1

84. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Daley, Flux, Lee, and Wilczek.

85. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Brian Robson, NE22 6AN was in attendance on behalf of residents of Hartford Bridge concerning speeding and road surface structure and raised the following:

- Residents had complained since 2010 of the inadequate substructure and asked if it would be addressed.

- Concerns were raised regarding vibrations through properties as a result of passing traffic.
- Could the Council enforce a weight limit on the road?
- There was limited visibility to the south and to the bend to the bus stops. Would the Council take action to reduce speed to the south end of Hartford Bridge and install speed cameras?
- Obstructions especially from the west of the road with electric vehicles not being heard.
- He suggested chicanes to slow down traffic to give visibility from the Morpeth direction and convex mirrors on the blind bend.

Councillor Robinson agreed with the comments and stated that he had previously been involved with the Highway Delivery Manager who had agreed that surface structure of the road was unsatisfactory.

Janice Craggs of Hartford Resident's Association referred to the sheer volume of traffic and referenced a Temporary Traffic Order for proposed parking restrictions.

Matthew Bamburgh, Hartford Bridge resident referred to a recent collision with his vehicle and asked why there wasn't traffic speed bumps.

Councillor Taylor stated that the Town Council had erected speed signs which had not proved effective.

The residents requested that action be taken on their concerns and that they be kept informed of any updates in the Local Transport Plan.

The Chair stated that the residents' concerns would be fed back to the Local Services Director and Councillor Robinson copied in.

Steve Barham, NE22 5HF referred to traffic on Station Road, Bedlington Station and speeding drivers using the large field behind properties at Waverley Avenue and concerned of a potential serious injury. He had attended a previous Town Council meeting during lockdown and residents had complained to the Council, Police and Bernicia who had all said that nothing could be done. He had also contacted his local MP.

The Chair stated that obstruction was a police matter and advised Mr Barham to contact Councillor Wilczek, Ward Councillor who had asked the Chair to pass on her apologies as was unable to attend the meeting but had asked if the Chair update her on the matter and who could in turn speak to Highways to have the area surveyed. He was also advised to directly contact the Police & Crime Commissioner and the Neighbourhood Police Officer, and in addition

mentioned the possibility of a Community Trigger which Councillor Wilczek could investigate further.

The Chair requested a full report to come back to Committee on the Shields Road problem.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

86. PETITIONS

No new petitions, reports or updates had been received.

87. NORTHUMBERLAND LINE

Neil Blagburn, Programme Delivery Director shared a presentation and gave progress update on the Northumberland Line. The key points included:

- The rail corridor – 2 underbridges had been replaced and 1 restrengthened. All successfully delivered on time with no impact to the operation of the railway 20 km of new rail track had been installed and multi-realignment of tracks. 6 under road / rail track crossings had been installed with lineside signalling equipment installations still ongoing.
- Mining remediation – due to past mining in areas, some stations had required drilling and grouting, e.g., Seaton Delaval. Recent discussions with Network Rail Mining Engineer had been positive insofar as no mining remediation required at Bedlington. Northumberland Park due to commence in March/April 2023.
- Stations and structures – piling underway at Newsham for road bridge and footbridge. Ashington station well underway. Palmersville underpass and de-vegetation also underway and Northumberland Park de-vegetation complete.
- Northern trains – mobilisation – Conductor Team Manager, Drivers and Driver Manager recruited and training underway for familiarisation of routes. Fares and ticketing systems workstream underway.
- Social value – included apprenticeships, food banks, Dales SEND School, women into construction pilot, STEM and career workshops in schools, community engagement events.
- The Secretary of State visit in March which had confirmed the delivery of the project.
- Local Projects – Bedlington Station, Bedlington Engineering Works, Seaton Delaval Station, Furnace Way Sidings and West Sleekburn junction.

(Councillor Ferguson left the meeting at 5:09 pm).

The following questions from members and responses were:

- In response to reassurance and timelines. Highways elements were in place and road disruption would be minimised. With regards to potential flooding at Seaton Delaval – the car park would have a permeable surface and drains in the field to allow to drain freely. A flood defence expert had reviewed the scheme and confirmed it would help with localised flooding. The platform and drainage at Seaton Delaval should be started within the next 3-4 weeks. The current target for first passenger trains commencing was August next year.
- With reference to the fly-over at Blyth – piles were being installed for the bridge abutments and the road would sweep up and over the railway line to the south of the existing A1061 away from the houses adjacent to the current crossing. Finance was in place for these works.
- Analysis had shown that the closure time of level crossings at peak times would generally be less than at present and the vast majority would improve. A digital signalling system would be used to control the barriers. With regards to specific concerns around Blyth Bebside it was confirmed that the barrier down instances, whilst more often, would not result in an accumulation of road traffic congestion.
- At present the terminus for the train would be platform 1 at Newcastle Central Station, however platform capacity was strained at Newcastle and this could change and there may also be the opportunity in the future for potential onward travel, for example to the Metro Centre.
- The estimated passenger numbers could be provided after the meeting.
- In response to economy and regeneration – developers were waiting until the stations had been completed. There were businesses at Blyth seafront and regeneration in Ashington and opportunities being looked at for a museum at Bedlington.

(Councillor Ezhilchelvan left the meeting at 5.30 pm).

- In reply to a query regarding green electricity, Mr Blagburn stated that electrification was cost prohibitive for the scheme, alternative fuels such as hydrogen were being looked at as the Northern rail fleet would need to be refreshed in the near future.

(Councillor Ezhilchelvan re-joined the meeting at 5.33 pm).

- Car park capacity had been phased and tailored to demand. A lot of objections had been initially received to the initial car park capacity.
- It was noted that Arriva had the monopoly from Bedlington to Newcastle. No proposal had been firmed up in relation to bus connectivity to the stations and officers were working with Arriva. The new Combined Authority was looking at a Joint Transport option.
- In response to comments from a member of the public regarding site managers taking Seghill and Seaton Delaval residents into account in relation to:

- Off-loading of plant during peak hours; vehicle wheel washing and road sweeping being carried out more frequently; pedestrians being unable to cross during crossing closures with elderly and vulnerable residents being unable to access local shops for 3 days; patching/repairs to tarmac being done to a better standard at Seghill crossing and a review of the traffic plan (foot and vehicle) to be done for Seaton Delaval's new schools and the station did not seem to take each other into account. Mr Blagburn responded that the issues with the soil on footpaths and roads should be under control, if not, that would be tackled again. Potholes were repaired on a temporary basis and if not adequate would be looked at again. Pedestrian access was being reviewed by Network Rail and Siemens and closures for vehicles and pedestrians would be kept to a minimum, ensuring safe facilities to cross wherever possible.

Mr Blagburn was thanked for his informative presentation.

88. LOCAL SERVICES ISSUES

Tony Gribbin, Neighbourhood Services Area Manager gave the following updates:

NEAT

- Winter works continue at a rate expected.
- Since the last LAC (in January), a mild winter period had been experienced with the exception being w/c 6th March
- The Grounds staff continued to work a 28-hour week during the winter period, which ended this week, and they would revert to longer, summer hours from Monday coming.
- Progress through scheduled work had been a challenge but ultimately successful.
- Mr Gribbin to be alerted if members believed any requested work had not been completed.
- Preparations had been finalised for the upcoming grass cutting season. All grass cutting equipment had either been serviced or was scheduled to be serviced.
- Grass cutting to start within the next 2 weeks depending on ground conditions
- No fundamental route changes
- Seasonal grounds maintenance staff were being recruited for this year.
- Weed control activities will be undertaken in-house again this year.
- Blue dye WOULD be used this year.

Street Cleansing

- Business as usual

- Street sweeping was always affected by ground frost, the service had been suspended recently due to the winter weather event

Waste

Residual and recycling

- Business as usual for waste collection services.
- Round Review - Work had been completed in readiness for deployment of the two new RCV's. This is done to ensure they are deployed in the most efficient way possible.

Garden waste collections had started

- Increasing housing/customer numbers had meant additional adjusting of rounds to accommodate the increase. (£49.50 for 20 collections)
- Initial take up for the service was high, the scheme remained as popular as ever.

Bereavement Services

- No issues at the Crematorium.
- The Muslim burial area in Bedlington was now complete and ready.
- The drainage on the roundabout, in Bedlington cemetery would have a new section of drainage attached to the field drain system. This would commence from Wednesday 22 March 2023.

Members made the following comments:

- The team were thanked for their continued service
- Dirt was not being cleaned around the new Miller housing development in Bedlington.
- A request to clear leaves on the cycle path from Alexander Park and St Peter & Paul's
- Flooding caused by leaves and mud in Cramlington
- Was there an update on the ownership of the fence

Russell Mason, Interim Area Highways Manager introduced himself and provided the following updates:

- All Highways Inspectors and maintenance crews continued to work inspecting, fixing carriageway defects, making repairs, and making safe category one defects across the Southeast area.
- NCC were one of the top performers in a national Excellence award in Highway and street lighting Maintenance by APSE (Association for public service excellence).
- The gully emptier was fully deployed dealing with reported issues and cyclic maintenance.

- Larger capital tarmac patching had been carried out in Elsdon Avenue, Seaton Delaval and Moorland Drive, Bedlington

Drainage improvements

- Crookham Way, Cramlington, Front Street, Seghill, B1505 East Field, Cramlington, Stead Lane, Bedlington, Spring Vale, Sleekburn, Hester Gardens to The Avenue, New Hartley

LTP – Carriageway Resurfacing

The programme was completed for this year. Next year's Schemes had recently been approved in the following areas:

- East Farm Terrace, Cramlington. Complete.
- Avenue head Roundabout (remedial Work) Complete
- Beresford Road, Seaton Sluice (remedial Work)

Other Complete work

- A192 Large Signs Complete
- Red Lion R/A, Bedlington - Safety Scheme (Upgrading barriers)
- Seghill First School – Safety Scheme (Signs)
- St Ronan's Drive Seaton Sluice Traffic safety scheme.

Upcoming work

- Installation of parking bays Esmeralda Gardens, Hazlitt Place, Seghill
- Main Street Seghill – Installation of 2x pedestrian dropped kerbs (Andy Barbers)
- Signage Scheme – Stead Lane & Whitley memorial school Bedlington. (School safety scheme).
- Traffic Calming scheme Bristol Street New Hartley

Cramlington Underpass Flooding

An upgraded pumping station had been approved and installation should commence next week. This would include a remote communications device that could report any flooding direct to the depot/officers.

Members made the following comments/requests:

- Thanks were conveyed from residents to compliment Highways for the work which had been carried out on the drains and gullies on the B1505 to resolve flooding
- An incident had occurred at Atlee Park/Plessey Woods
- Parking to be looked at on the bend opposite The Church of Bedlington Christian Fellowship "Coffin church" due to parking outside an Eyelash extension shop.

- A transporter was parked on Choppington Road, Glebe Bank blocking the pedestrian walkway, could this be investigated.
- Officers were thanked for resurfacing part of Ellison Avenue, Holywell, however, the other side of the road was now in a bad condition.
- The team was thanked for their perseverance in repairing the underpass in Cramlington.
- An update was requested on re-surfacing of the entrance to CLV.
- Complaints had been received on worn road markings on Dudley Lane near Vue cinema and a refresh was requested.
- Could the town centre roadworks at Cramlington be reviewed and monitored.

RESOLVED that the information be noted and issues set out in the bullet points in members' comments be followed up.

89. LOCAL COUNCIL AREA WORK PROGRAMME

RESOLVED that the Work Programme be noted.

90. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting would take place on Wednesday 19 April 2023.

CHAIR

DATE



Northumberland County Council

CRAMLINGTON, BEDLINGTON & SEATON VALLEY LOCAL AREA COUNCIL

19 APRIL 2023

DETERMINATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Report of the Interim Executive Director of Planning and Local Services

Cabinet Member: Councillor C Horncastle

Purpose of report

To request the Local Area Council to decide the planning applications attached to this report using the powers delegated to it.

Recommendations

The Local Area Council is recommended to consider the attached planning applications and decide them in accordance with the individual recommendations, also taking into account the advice contained in the covering report.

Key issues

Each application has its own particular set of individual issues and considerations that must be taken into account when determining the application. These are set out in the individual reports contained in the next section of this agenda.

DETERMINATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Introduction

1. The following section of the agenda consists of planning applications to be determined by the Cramlington, Bedlington & Seaton Valley Local Area Council in accordance with the current delegation arrangements. Any further information, observations or letters relating to any of the applications contained in this agenda and received after the date of publication of this report will be reported at the meeting.

The Determination of Planning and Other Applications

2. In considering the planning and other applications, members are advised to take into account the following general principles:

- Decision makers are to have regard to the development plan, so far as it is material to the application
 - Applications are to be determined in accordance with the development plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise
 - Applications should always be determined on their planning merits in the light of all material considerations
 - Members are reminded that recommendations in favour of giving permission must be accompanied by suitable conditions and a justification for giving permission, and that refusals of permission must be supported by clear planning reasons both of which are defensible on appeal
 - Where the Local Area Council is minded to determine an application other than in accordance with the Officer's recommendation, clear reasons should be given that can be minuted, and appropriate conditions or refusal reasons put forward
3. Planning conditions must meet 6 tests that are set down in paragraph 206 of the NPPF and reflected in National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG, March 2014 as amended). They must be:
- Necessary
 - Relevant to planning
 - Relevant to the development permitted
 - Enforceable
 - Precise
 - Reasonable in all other respects
4. Where councillors are contemplating moving a decision contrary to officer advice, they are recommended to consider seeking advice from senior officers as to what constitutes material planning considerations, and as to what might be appropriate conditions or reasons for refusal.
5. Attached as Appendix 1 is the procedure to be followed at all Local Area Councils.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS

These are listed at the end of the individual application reports.

IMPLICATIONS ARISING OUT OF THE REPORT

Policy:	Procedures and individual recommendations are in line with policy unless otherwise stated
Finance and value for Money:	None unless stated
Human Resources:	None
Property:	None
Equalities:	None
Risk Assessment:	None
Sustainability:	Each application will have an impact on the local environment and it has been assessed accordingly
Crime and Disorder:	As set out in the individual reports
Customer Considerations:	None
Consultations:	As set out in the individual reports
Wards:	All

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APPENDIX 1: PROCEDURE AT PLANNING COMMITTEES

Chair

Introduce application

Planning Officer

Updates – Changes to Recommendations – present report

Public Speaking

Objector(s) (5mins)

Local Councillor/Parish Councillor (5 mins)

Applicant / Supporter (5 mins)

NO QUESTIONS ALLOWED TO/ BY PUBLIC SPEAKERS

Member's Questions to Planning Officers

Rules of Debate

Proposal

Seconded

DEBATE

- No speeches until motion is seconded
- Speech may not exceed 10 minutes
- Amendments to Motions
- Approve/ refuse/ defer

Vote (by majority or Chair casting vote)

Chair should read out resolution before voting

Voting should be a clear show of hands.

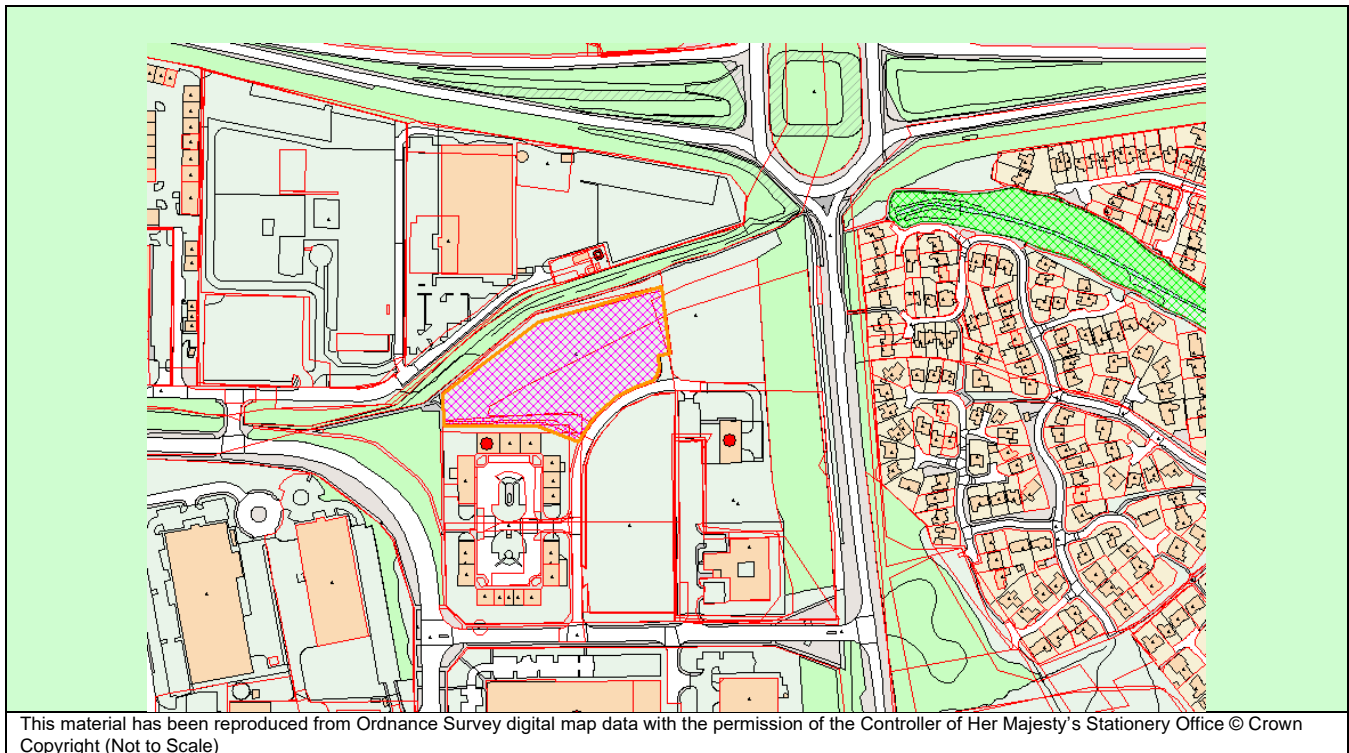


Northumberland County Council

Cramlington, Bedlington and Seaton Valley Local Area Committee 19th April 2023

Application No:	22/03491/FUL		
Proposal:	The proposal is for a 3 phased development, consisting of 28 industrial units with an integral circulation road and secondary site access point		
Site Address	Atley Way, North Nelson Industrial Estate, Cramlington, Northumberland		
Applicant:	Mr Adrian Harrison Grindon way, Newton Aycliffe, DL5 6SH,	Agent:	Mr John White The Dovecot, 4 Hunwick Hall Farm, Church Lane, Hunwick Crook DL15 0JS
Ward	Cramlington West	Parish	Cramlington
Valid Date:	14 October 2022	Expiry Date:	31 January 2023
Case Officer Details:	Name: Mr Richard Laughton Job Title: Planning Officer Tel No: 01670 622628 Email: richard.laughton@northumberland.gov.uk		

Recommendation: That this application be GRANTED permission



1. Introduction

Under the provisions of the Council's current Scheme of Delegation, this application is being determined at Cramlington, Bedlington, Seaton Valley Local Area Council due to the scale of the development.

2. Description of the Proposal

2.1 The application is seeking permission for a 3 phased development, consisting of 28 industrial units with an integral circulation road and secondary site access point at Atley Way, North Nelson Industrial Estate, Cramlington.

2.2 This full application is for the proposed development of 28 industrial units (split into three build phases) with an integral circulation road and secondary site access point. The scheme is for 'General Industrial Starter Units' (Use Class B2) with a combined floor space of 3476m² in total. The units range from 96m² to 215m² with larger units being designed to accommodate the installation of mezzanine floors to increase flexibility.

2.3 The three phases are: -

- 1) 6 two storey industrial units and circulation road.
- 2) 4 two storey industrial units.
- 3) 18 single storey industrial units.

2.4 The proposal is located at North Nelson Industrial Estate, Cramlington and currently scrub land and allocated for employment land within the Northumberland Local Plan and Cramlington Neighbourhood Plan.

2.5 The 1.135 Ha. application site is in North Nelson Industrial Park, Cramlington and already benefits from adopted vehicle access at the south-eastern corner, which provides access from Enterprise Court, via Crowhall Road and Nelson Way.

3. Planning History

Reference Number: 22/03171/FUL

Description: The proposal is for a 3 phased development, consisting of 28 industrial units with an integral circulation road and secondary site access point.

Status: Application returned

4. Consultee Responses

Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA)	No objections subject to conditions
Cramlington Town Council	No response received.
Highways	No objections subject to conditions
The Coal Authority	No objections
Northumbrian Water Ltd	No objections subject to conditions
County Ecologist	No objections subject to conditions

Public Protection	No objections subject to conditions
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5. Public Responses

Neighbour Notification

Number of Neighbours Notified	10
Number of Objections	0
Number of Support	0
Number of General Comments	0

Notices

General site notice 20th October 2022

News Post Leader 28th October 2022

Summary of Responses:

The above is a summary of the comments. The full written text is available on our website at: <http://publicaccess.northumberland.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=RIO59DQSJU100>

6. Planning Policy

6.1 Development Plan Policy

Northumberland Local Plan 2016 - 2036 (Adopted March 2022) (NLP)

STP 1 - Spatial strategy (Strategic Policy)

STP 2 - Presumption in favour of sustainable development (Strategic Policy)

STP 3 - Principles of sustainable development (Strategic Policy)

STP 4 - Climate change mitigation and adaptation (Strategic Policy)

STP 5 - Health and wellbeing (Strategic Policy)

ECN 1 – Planning Strategy for the Economy (Strategic Policy)

ECN 6 General employment land –allocations and safeguarding (Strategic Policy)

ECN 7 – Key general employment areas for main employment uses

QOP 1 - Design principles (Strategic Policy)

QOP 2 - Good design and amenity

TRA 1 – Promoting sustainable connections

TRA 2 - The effects of development on the transport network

TRA 4 – Parking Provision in new development

POL 1 - Unstable and contaminated land

POL 2 - Pollution and air, soil and water quality

MIN 4 – Safeguarding mineral resources (Strategic Policy)

6.2 National Planning Policy

National Planning Policy Framework (2021) (NPPF)

National Planning Practice Guidance (2022) (NPPG)

6.3 Neighbourhood Planning Policy

Cramlington Neighbourhood Plan Made Plan (March 2020) (CNP)

Policy CNP 1: The sustainable development of Cramlington Policy

CNP 3: Promoting good quality design in new development Policy

CNP 10: Growth in employment and the economy

Policy CNP11: Protecting main industrial sites

7. Appraisal

7.1 The main considerations in the assessment of this application are:

- Principle of the development;
- Layout, scale and appearance;
- Impact on residential amenity;
- Highways
- Ecology
- Public Protection
- Flood Risk

Principle of Development

Spatial Strategy

7.2 The proposal site is located in North Nelson Industrial Estate on available land allocated for main employment uses in the Northumberland Local Plan and the Cramlington Neighbourhood Plan. NLP Policy STP 1 supports sustainable development and states that the focus for employment will be in main towns such as Cramlington.

7.3 The proposal site falls within an employment land allocation (CNP Policy CNP10g and NLP Policy ECN 6). CNP Policy CNP 11 allocates North Nelson Industrial Estate for 'B-class uses' – now B2, B8 and E(g). NLP Policy ECN 7 also allocates the proposal site for these main employment uses. This proposal contributes towards to overall aim, in the Cramlington Neighbourhood Plan (Policy CNP 10) to support development that will provide job opportunities and economic growth. It will also assist Policy ECN 1 (part 2a. and 2b.), which seeks to deliver sufficient employment premises of the necessary range and quality, and in sustainable locations that can support both existing and new businesses.

7.4 The proposal is supported by the NLP spatial strategy in addition to NLP and CNP policies which promote economic development in the town and the scheme is for providing employment use within an allocated employment site. The application is therefore acceptable in principle.

Design

7.5 Policy QOP 1 of the NLP states that development proposals should "make a positive contribution to local character and distinctiveness and contribute to a positive relationship between built and natural features, including landform and topography. Policy STP 3 (1i) requires developments to demonstrate high quality sustainable design which is accessible to all, and which respects and enhances the local

distinctiveness of the natural, historic and built environment, helps promote a sense of place, reduces the need for energy, and facilitates flexible and adaptable buildings and environments.

7.6 Cramlington Neighbourhood Plan Policy CNP 3 promotes good quality design in new development.

7.7 The NPPF at paragraph 126 recognises good design as a key aspect of sustainable development with paragraph 130 noting developments should be visually attractive as a result of good architecture, layout and appropriate and effective landscaping.

7.8 The units will be constructed with metal wall panels and cladding of various size and heights to provide a range of internal spaces. The proposed layout, scale and design is appropriate for the intended use and the style of buildings within the industrial estate. The proposed scheme is acceptable as it would not cause harm to the visual character of the immediate or wider area.

7.9 As such, the application is in accordance with NLP policies QOP1 and STP 3.

Residential amenity

7.10 Policy QOP 2 of the NLP states that "development will be required to provide a high standard of amenity for existing and future users of the development itself and not cause unacceptable harm to the amenity of those living in, working in or visiting the local area". Paragraph 130, part f) of the NPPF states that planning decisions should ensure that developments "create places that are safe, inclusive and accessible and which promote health and well-being with a high standard of amenity for existing and future users".

7.11 There are no residential properties located in close proximity to the site with those nearest being approximately 160m to the east which is furthermore, screened by a line of woodland and Crow Hall Lane. Public Protection has not raised any objections in relation to potential noise or disturbance however, conditions relating to construction hours are recommended to protect residential amenity during the night-time period when the background noise level reduces significantly from the A1171 and any construction noise could affect residential amenity on Hauxley Drive. Any potential future disturbances could be dealt with under a statutory nuisance outside of the planning system. Overall, the development would not have a significant impact upon residential amenity, in accordance with both local and national planning policy.

Highways

7.12 Policy TRA 1 of the NLP states that the transport implications of development must be addressed as part of any planning application. Policies TRA 2 and TRA 4 seek to ensure any new application has no detrimental impact to the existing transport network and provides adequate parking provision in accordance with the NCC standards within Appendix E of the Plan.

7.13 Consultation was undertaken with highways development management who, following the submission of additional information, raised no objection to the application proposals, subject to recommended conditions.

7.14 The application has been supported with a revised Transport Statement, and details of the access arrangement. The Transport Statement the summary data of the accident data/ road safety study confirmed that there were no reported accidents in that location between the study period. Therefore, the submitted details are considered acceptable as the highway network in the vicinity of the site has an excellent road safety record.

7.15 The application is also supported with plans providing details of the proposed access works. Visibility splays of 2.4 x 43 m in both directions has been shown on the submitted plans at the access points. Together with this the access shall be provided in accordance with NCC's construction standards, this has been annotated on the revised plan. All of which are considered acceptable. The application proposes 101 spaces which meets the requirements of the parking standards in the NLP.

7.16 The application is not considered to impact highway safety subject to conditions seeking further information on highway works including a footpath linking to the existing network to the north of the site, electric charging points, a construction method statement and a service delivery and management plan. As such the application is in accordance with policies TRA1, TRA2 and TRA4 of the NLP.

Ecology

7.17 Policy ENV 2 of the Northumberland Local Plan states that development proposals affecting biodiversity and geodiversity, including designated sites, protected species, and habitats and species of principal importance in England (also called priority habitats and species), will: a. Minimise their impact, avoiding significant harm through location and/or design. Where significant harm cannot be avoided, applicants will be required to demonstrate that adverse impacts will be adequately mitigated or, as a last resort compensated for; b. Secure a net gain for biodiversity as calculated, to reflect latest Government policy and advice, through planning conditions or planning obligations.

7.18 The County Ecologist has been consulted and raises no objection subject to conditions.

7.19 The application has been supported by an Ecology Survey which includes a Method Statement to minimise the risk to protected / priority species arising from the construction works. The Proposed Site Layout Plan shows the areas of shrub / rough grassland to be incorporated into scheme design as well as the location of three bug hotels. Revised elevations have also been provided showing bird box provision.

7.20 Subject to conditions to ensure that works are undertaken in accordance with the proposed precautionary working methods; shrub and grassland is provided in accordance with the Proposed Site Layout Plan; and the provision for invertebrates and birds is also provided in accordance with the submitted details, no objection is raised and the application is in accordance with NLP Policy ENV 2.

Public Protection and Coal Mining Legacy

7.21 Policy POL 1 relates to unstable and contaminated land. Development proposals will be supported where it can be demonstrated that unacceptable risks from land instability and contamination will be prevented by ensuring the development is

appropriately located and that measures can be taken to effectively mitigate the impacts.

7.22 Policy POL 2 relate to pollution and air, soil and water quality and development proposals in locations where they would cause, or be put at unacceptable risk of harm from, or be adversely affected by pollution by virtue of the emissions of fumes, particles, effluent, radiation, smell, heat, light, noise or noxious substances will not be supported. Development proposals that may cause pollution of water, air or soil, either individually or cumulatively, are required to incorporate measures to prevent or reduce their pollution so as not to cause nuisance or unacceptable impacts on the environment, people or biodiversity.

7.23 As previously identified, the scheme is not considered to impact residential properties due to the nature of the small start up units, distance retained and dense tree coverage to provide screening from housing.

7.24 In relation to land contamination, the Phase I report has identified mine workings to the near east of the red line boundary – these mines are however recorded as old workings (no longer in use) by the 1920's. Gas Monitoring has been carried out which has recorded no gas flow events – as the site is within the Coal Authority defined High Risk Development area however ground gas protection measures are still considered to be necessary and secured by a condition.

7.25 A coal risk assessment also accompanies this application and shows that over half the site area falls within a Development Low Risk Area (DLRA), where essentially a coal mining risk assessment would not be required. Furthermore, from the intrusive survey work undertaken on behalf of the applicant concludes that there is no special risk from the coal mining legacy and no further works are required in respect of shallow workings are necessary.

7.26 Public Protection and The Coal Authority has no objections to the scheme subject to conditions and the application is in accordance with NLP Policies POL 1 and POL 2.

Drainage

7.27 Policy WAT 3 relates to flooding and states that surface water should be managed at source wherever possible, so that there is no net increase in surface water run-off for the lifetime of the development. Where greenfield sites are to be developed, the surface water run-off rates should not exceed, and where possible should reduce, the existing run-off rates. Policy WAT 4 further promotes Sustainable Drainage Systems that should be incorporated into developments whenever necessary, in order to separate, minimise and control surface water run-off, in accordance with national standards and any future local guidance.

7.28 The application site is located in low-risk flood Zone 1. The application site catchment area is approximately 1.1ha therefore the LLFA and Northumbrian Water were consulted to assess any increase in surface water run-off.

7.29 A Flood Risk Assessment (FRA) supports the application and the following conclusions have been made:

“• The proposed development lies within zone 1 and therefore has a low probability of flooding. • All types of development are considered suitable for the site.

- The site has a low probability of flooding from all sources*
- There is no requirement to set finished floor levels above a specific level*
- Ground conditions are not suitable for the use of infiltration techniques in the form of soakaways or permeable paving.*
- There is no watercourse available for direct discharge into, local to the site.*
- Surface water flows are required to enter the public system and Anglian Water have confirmed the acceptable surface water discharge rates.*
- The final site layout will be profiled to shed the local on-site flood water around the buildings and also contain it within the site curtilage.*
- Attenuation should be designed into the drainage system in the form of surcharged manholes for the 30-year return period and local surface ponding for 100-year return period plus 40% climate change”.*

7.30 The LLFA and NWL has no objections to the application as the FRA and drainage layout now demonstrates that overland flows can be controlled through sustainable drainage techniques and suitable discharge rates achieved to the existing main network. This is subject to conditions including further details of the gravel trench, surface water details for the construction phase and a verification report to demonstrate that all SuDS has been constructed as agreed. As such the application in accordance with NLP Policies WAT 3 and WAT 4.

Other issues

7.31 NLP Policy MIN 4 states that applications for non-mineral development in a Mineral Safeguarding Areas will be required to provide an assessment of the proposal on the mineral resource beneath or adjacent to the site.

7.32 A Mineral Safeguarding Assessment has been submitted which confirms that it would not be necessary to undertake prior extraction in advance of the proposed commercial development. It was found that:

“The primary mineral present at shallow depth beneath the site is coal and based on the borehole investigation works completed on site by GEOL, it has been deduced that due to the poor, weathered condition and thickness of the Yard coal seam identified below parts of the site, we do not consider this to be a productive mineral worthy of extraction or safeguarding. The mudstone, coal and siltstone deposits present below the site as well as the glacially derived clay overburden deposits have been found to be largely unproductive resulting in limited opportunity for mineral extraction, which is negligible in respect to the mineral resources.

In addition, the presence of nearby commercial properties some of which bound the site already sterilise the site opportunities for mineral extraction”.

7.33 The application therefore does not conflict with NLP Policy MIN 4.

Equality Duty

The County Council has a duty to have regard to the impact of any proposal on those people with characteristics protected by the Equality Act. Officers have had due regard to Sec 149(1) (a) and (b) of the Equality Act 2010 and considered the information provided by the applicant, together with the responses from consultees and other

parties, and determined that the proposal would have no material impact on individuals or identifiable groups with protected characteristics. Accordingly, no changes to the proposal were required to make it acceptable in this regard.

Crime and Disorder Act Implications

These proposals have no implications in relation to crime and disorder.

Human Rights Act Implications

The Human Rights Act requires the County Council to take into account the rights of the public under the European Convention on Human Rights and prevents the Council from acting in a manner which is incompatible with those rights. Article 8 of the Convention provides that there shall be respect for an individual's private life and home save for that interference which is in accordance with the law and necessary in a democratic society in the interests of (inter alia) public safety and the economic wellbeing of the country. Article 1 of protocol 1 provides that an individual's peaceful enjoyment of their property shall not be interfered with save as is necessary in the public interest.

For an interference with these rights to be justifiable the interference (and the means employed) needs to be proportionate to the aims sought to be realised. The main body of this report identifies the extent to which there is any identifiable interference with these rights. The Planning Considerations identified are also relevant in deciding whether any interference is proportionate. Case law has been decided which indicates that certain development does interfere with an individual's rights under Human Rights legislation. This application has been considered in the light of statute and case law and the interference is not considered to be disproportionate.

Officers are also aware of Article 6, the focus of which (for the purpose of this decision) is the determination of an individual's civil rights and obligations. Article 6 provides that in the determination of these rights, an individual is entitled to a fair and public hearing within a reasonable time by an independent and impartial tribunal. Article 6 has been subject to a great deal of case law. It has been decided that for planning matters the decision making process as a whole, which includes the right of review by the High Court, complied with Article 6.

8. Conclusion

8.1 The principle of development is supported by the policies in the development plan and material considerations. The proposal is in accordance and supported by the NLP spatial strategy in addition to NLP and CNP policies which promote economic development in the town and is located on available land allocated for main employment uses in both Plans.

9. Recommendation

That this application be GRANTED permission subject to the following:

Conditions/Reason

01. The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.

Reason: To comply with Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

02. The development hereby permitted shall not be carried out otherwise than in complete accordance with the approved documents and plans. The approved plans for this development are:-

Location 780 00 Rev A
Proposed Site Layout 780 02 Rev A
Proposed Unit A 780 04 Rev A
Proposed Plans and Elevations 780 05 Rev A
Proposed Unit D 780 06 Rev A
Proposed Unit E 780 07 Rev A
Proposed Unit F 780 08 Rev A

Portland Consulting Engineers drawing "Drainage Strategy", drawing number 2022064 000-00 Rev Ø; Dated 20/08/22

Portland Consulting Engineers report "Flood Risk and Drainage Impact Assessment", report number 2022064 Revision C; Dated 23 March 2023

Reason: To ensure that the approved development is carried out in complete accordance with the approved plans.

03. Prior to commencement of drainage works, full construction details of the proposed gravel trench along the northern boundary of the site as referred to in sections 4.4 and 5.3 of the approved Flood Risk Assessment and shown on the approved Drainage Strategy drawing shall be submitted to and agreed with the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure the risk of flooding does not increase as a result of the development.

04. Prior to the commencement of development, details of the management and disposal of surface water from the development through the construction phase shall be submitted to and agreed with the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure the risk of flooding does not increase during this phase and to limit the siltation of any surface water features or other receptors on, or downstream of the site.

05. Prior to the first occupation of the development, a verification report carried out by a qualified drainage engineer must be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority, to demonstrate that all sustainable drainage systems have been constructed as per the agreed scheme. This verification report shall include:

- As built drawings for all SuDS components - including dimensions and levels (base levels, inlet/outlet levels, depths, lengths, diameters etc)
- Photographs of the surface water system being installed as per the agreed scheme including flow controls, storage structures and any other SuDS components.
- Construction details (component drawings, materials, vegetation etc);
- Health and Safety file; • Details of ownership organisation/adoption details.

Reason: To ensure that all sustainable drainage systems are designed to the DEFRA non technical standards and are built accordingly.

06. The development shall not be occupied until the car parking area indicated on the approved plans, including any disabled car parking spaces contained therein, has been hard surfaced, sealed and marked out in parking bays, has been implemented in accordance with the approved plans. Thereafter, the car parking area shall be retained in accordance with the approved plans and shall not be used for any purpose other than the parking of vehicles associated with the development.

Reason: In the interests of highway safety, in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework and Policy TRA4 of the Northumberland Local Plan.

07. Development shall not be occupied until details of the proposed highway works, including vehicular/pedestrian access from the U9557 and provision of connecting footpath from the north of the site to the existing footway network, have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The building(s) shall not be occupied until the highway works have been constructed in accordance with the approved plans.

Reason: In the interests of highway safety, in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework and Policy TRA2 of the Northumberland Local Plan.

08. No development shall commence until a Phasing and Completion Plan has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The Phasing and Completion Plan shall set out the development phases and completion sequence ensuring that roads and footways serving each phase of the development will be completed prior to occupation/first use. The development shall then be carried out in accordance with the approved Phasing and Completion Plan.

Reason: To ensure roads and footways serving the development are completed in the interests of amenity and highway safety, in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework and Policies TRA1 and TRA2 of the Northumberland Local Plan.

09. Prior to occupation the Electric Vehicle Charging points shown on the approved plans shall be implemented. Thereafter, the Electric Vehicle Charging Points shall be retained in accordance with the approved plans and shall be kept available for the parking of electric vehicles at all times.

Reason: In the interests of Sustainable Development, in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework and Policy TRA1 of the Northumberland Local Plan.

10. Development shall not commence until a Construction Method Statement, together with a supporting plan has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The approved Construction Method Statement shall be adhered to throughout the construction period. The Construction Method Statement and plan shall, where applicable, provide for:

- i. details of temporary traffic management measures, temporary access, routes and vehicles;
- ii. vehicle cleaning facilities;
- iii. the parking of vehicles of site operatives and visitors;

- iv. the loading and unloading of plant and materials;
- v. storage of plant and materials used in constructing the development

Reason: To prevent nuisance in the interests of residential amenity and highway safety, in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework and Policy TRA2 of the Northumberland Local Plan.

11. No development shall be brought into use until a Service Delivery and Management Plan has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The approved plan shall be adhered to throughout the occupation period and shall where applicable, outline:

- i. Details of business operational hours;
- ii. Details of delivery dates, times, frequency and delivery type;
- iii. Details of delivery vehicle types including loading and unloading areas and submission of plans as necessary;
- iv. Details of delivery requirements including any closures of site, parking areas or impact upon internal operations of site to facilitate these operations including plans as necessary.

Reason: To ensure sufficient and suitable facilities are provided for the storage and collection of waste in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework and Policies TRA1 and TRA2 of the Northumberland Local Plan.

12. No works shall be undertaken other than in accordance with the Method Statement detailed within 'Ecology Survey and Risk Assessment, Plot 3, Nelson Industrial Estate, Cramlington, Veronica Howard, January 2023'

Reason: To conserve and enhance local biodiversity in accordance with Local Plan policy ENV2 and the NPPF.

13. Unless otherwise agreed in writing with the LPA, the native landscape planting as detailed on the Proposed Site Layout Plan (Proj No. 780, Dwg no 02, Rev C) shall be fully implemented during the first full planting season (November – March inclusive) following the commencement of development.

Reason: To maintain and protect the landscape value of the area and to enhance the biodiversity value of the site in accordance with Local Plan policies ENV2, QOP4 and the NPPF.

14. Prior to first occupation / use of the buildings hereby approved, the provision for breeding birds shall be implemented in accordance with approved drawings 'Proposed Unit A, Plans and Elevations Proj. no 780, Dwg no, 04, Rev A' and 'Proposed Unit E, Plans and Elevations Proj. no 780, Dwg no, 074, Rev B'

Reason: To conserve and enhance local biodiversity in line with the NPPF and Local Plan Policy ENV2

15. During the construction period, there should be no noisy activity, i.e. audible at the site boundary, on Sundays or Bank Holidays or outside the hours: Monday to Friday - 0800 to 1800, Saturday 0800 to 1300.

Reason: To protect residential amenity and provide a commensurate level of protection against noise

16. Deliveries to and collections from the demolition and/or construction phase of the development shall only be permitted between the hours: Monday to Friday - 08:00 to 18:00 Saturday - 08:00 to 13:00 With no deliveries or collections on a Sunday or Bank Holiday, unless agreed in writing with the LPA.

Reason: To protect residential amenity and provide a commensurate level of protection against noise.

17. No building shall be constructed above damp proof course level until a report detailing the protective measures to prevent the ingress of ground gases, including depleted Oxygen (<19%), to the CS2 standard specified for Methane and Carbon Dioxide ground gases for new buildings) has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The aforementioned report must also detail to the local Planning Authority's satisfaction how the annulus of service ducts will be sealed to prevent gas ingress into the living space of the dwelling. Furthermore, the report shall contain full details of the validation and verification assessment to be undertaken on the installed ground gas protection, as detailed in CIRIA C735 (Good practice in the testing and verification of protection systems for buildings against hazardous ground gases).

Reason: In order to prevent any accumulation of ground gas, which may potentially be prejudicial to the health & amenity of the occupants of the respective properties.

18. No building shall be brought into use or occupied until the applicant has submitted a validation and verification report to the approved methodology in Condition 17 which has been approved in writing by the LPA.

Reason: In order to prevent any accumulation of ground gas, which may potentially be prejudicial to the amenity of the occupants of the respective properties.

19. If during redevelopment contamination not previously considered within any statement / report that has received the approval of the Local Planning Authority is identified, then a written Method Statement regarding this material shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority – the written method statement must be written by a competent person. No building shall be occupied until a method statement has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority, and measures proposed to deal with the contamination have been carried out. [Should no contamination be found during development then the applicant shall submit a signed statement indicating this to discharge this condition]. "Competent Person" has the same definition as defined within the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) 2021

Reason: To ensure that risks from land contamination to the future users of the land and dwellings are minimised and to ensure that the development can be carried out safely without unacceptable risks to any future occupants.

20. Development shall be implemented in line with the drainage scheme contained within the submitted document entitled "Flood Risk and Drainage Impact Assessment Revision C"; Dated 23 March 2023. The drainage scheme shall ensure that foul flows discharge to the foul sewer at manholes 7501 and 7503 and ensure that surface water

discharges to the surface water sewer at manhole 7504. The surface water discharge rate shall not exceed the available capacity of 5.2 l/sec that has been identified in this sewer. The final surface water discharge rate shall be agreed by the Lead Local Flood Authority.

Reason: To prevent the increased risk of flooding from any sources in accordance with the NPPF.

Informatives

01. You should note that under the Highways Act 1980 a vehicle crossing point is required. These works should be carried out before first use of the development. To arrange the installation of a vehicle crossing point (and to make good any damage or other works to the existing footpath or verge) you should contact the Highways Area Office at: blythdepot@northumberland.gov.uk

02. Building materials or equipment shall not be stored on the highway unless otherwise agreed. You are advised to contact the Streetworks team on 0345 600 6400 for Skips and Containers licences.

03. In accordance with the Highways Act 1980 mud, debris or rubbish shall not be deposited on the highway.

04. Any areas of hardstanding areas (car parks, driveways etc.) within the development shall be constructed of a permeable surface so flood risk is not increased elsewhere. There are three main types of solution to creating a permeable surface: • Using gravel or a mainly green, vegetated area. • Directing water from an impermeable surface to a border rain garden or soakaway. • Using permeable block paving, porous asphalt/concrete. Further information can be found here –

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/7728/paving_frontgardens.pdf

In addition, the development should explore disconnecting any gutter down pipes into rainwater harvesting units and water butts, with overflow into rainwater garden/pond thus providing a resource as well as amenity value and improving water quality.

05. We can inform you that public sewers cross the site and may be affected by the proposed development. Northumbrian Water does not permit a building over or close to our apparatus. We will work with the developer to establish the exact location of our assets and ensure any necessary diversion, relocation or protection measures required prior to the commencement of the development. This is an informative only and does not materially affect the consideration of the planning application.

Date of Report: 06.04.2023

Background Papers: Planning application file(s) 22/03491/FUL



Northumberland County Council

Appeal Update Report

Date: April 2023

Planning Appeals

Report of the Director of Planning

Cabinet Member: Councillor CW Horncastle

Purpose of report

For Members' information to report the progress of planning appeals. This is a monthly report and relates to appeals throughout all 5 Local Area Council Planning Committee areas and covers appeals of Strategic Planning Committee.

Recommendations

To note the contents of the report in respect of the progress of planning appeals that have been submitted to and determined by the Planning Inspectorate.

Link to Corporate Plan

This report is relevant to all of the priorities included in the NCC Corporate Plan 2018-2021 where identified within individual planning applications and appeals.

Key issues

Each planning application and associated appeal has its own particular set of individual issues and considerations that have been taken into account in their determination, which are set out within the individual application reports and appeal decisions.



Recent Planning Appeal Decisions

Planning Appeals Allowed (permission granted)

Reference No	Proposal and main planning considerations	Award of costs?
22/01413/FUL	<p>Dormer window to roof slope on principal (south) elevation – 3 Dene Park, Darras Hall, Ponteland</p> <p>Main issues: design, scale and massing would not be subordinate to the dwelling and would be out of character in the street scene.</p> <p>Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse</p>	No
20/02094/FUL	<p>Remove green keepers compound and erection of 48 dwellings (including 10 affordable houses) plus upgrade of access road, electric substation, SUDs, domestic package treatment works and domestic gas storage.- Amended description – land north west of Burgham Park Golf Club, Felton</p> <p>Main issues: inappropriate development in the Green Belt; unnecessary and unjustified development in the open countryside and unsustainable location; and lack of completed S106 Agreement in respect of affordable housing, education, health and a Habitat Maintenance and Management Plan</p> <p>Committee Decision – Officer Recommendation: Approve</p>	No

Planning Appeals Split Decision

Reference No	Proposal and main planning considerations	Award of costs?
None		

Planning Appeals Dismissed (permission refused)

Reference No	Proposal and main planning considerations	Award of costs?
22/00393/FUL	<p>Siting of 'Timber Living Trailer' - land south of Jubilee Cottages, West Woodburn</p> <p>Main issues: site is in the open countryside and not in a sustainable or accessible location; and adverse</p>	No – claim refused

	<p>impacts on the open countryside and landscape.</p> <p>Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse</p>	
21/04958/FUL	<p>Resubmission - Retrospective application for outdoor dining facilities within car parking area to front. Material amendment to roof covering and part timber cladding – Percy Arms, Chatton</p> <p>Main issues: development results in harm to the character and appearance of the Conservation Area; and substandard access to rear car park.</p> <p>Committee Decision – Officer Recommendation: Approve</p>	No
21/03532/FUL	<p>Restore and re-build existing derelict dwellings to create single dwelling house with attached holiday-let and erection of ancillary workshop/agricultural storage building – land south west of Woodbine Cottage, Carrshield</p> <p>Main issues: significant works required to existing structure therefore conversion is unacceptable as a matter of principle; design would not respect historic character of the building and would affect the character of the North Pennines AONB; new outbuilding would be inappropriate in size and scale in the open countryside with impacts on the landscape and the AONB; insufficient information to assess ecological impacts of the proposals; and insufficient information to assess archaeological impacts.</p> <p>Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse</p>	No – claim refused
21/04002/FUL	<p>Proposed 6no. Yurts and associated structure for holiday and tourism – land south-east of Alnham House, Alnham Main Road, Alnham</p> <p>Main issues: the site is not in an accessible location; and results in incursion into the open countryside and fails to respect the intrinsic character and beauty of the area.</p> <p>Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse</p>	No

Planning Appeals Withdrawn

Reference No	Proposal and main planning considerations	Award of costs?
None		

Planning Casework Unit Referrals

Reference No	Proposal and main planning considerations	Award of costs?
None		

Planning Appeals Received

Appeals Received

Reference No	Description and address	Appeal start date and decision level
21/04426/CLEXIS	<p>Certificate of lawful development of existing vehicular access from the B6318 – land on Hadrian's Wall remains south of Black Pasture Cottage, Brunton Bank, Wall</p> <p>Main issues: lack of information and evidence as submitted to grant certificate.</p>	<p>28 April 2022</p> <p>Appeal against non-determination</p>
19/04687/OUT	<p>Outline permission for development for up to 43 residential dwellings (Use Class C3), demolition, infrastructure, access, open space and landscaping (All matters reserved except for access) - land north of Eilansgate, Hexham</p> <p>Main issues: inappropriate development in the Green Belt; lack of information in relation to ecological impacts; loss of woodland and larger trees would impact the setting of the Conservation Area; lack of information in relation to drainage and flood risk; and the application does not secure necessary planning obligations in respect of affordable housing, healthcare and education.</p>	<p>27 September 2022</p> <p>Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse</p>
21/03396/FUL	<p>Construction of 3no. residential cottages with associated garages, access, car parking and landscaping and demolition of existing</p>	<p>2 November 2022</p> <p>Delegated Decision - Officer</p>

	<p>outbuilding(s) and extension(s) to 4 & 5 Front Street with replacement extension(s) and internal alterations - 4 and 5 Front Street, Capheaton</p> <p>Main issues: proposals are not commensurate with the size of the settlement and encroach into the open countryside, adversely impacting on the setting and appearance of the settlement and surrounding countryside; proposals result in harm to the heritage assets and their setting without clear and convincing justification of this harm or public benefits to outweigh the harm; layout, scale and design as well as pattern of development would be detrimental to local vernacular and character; lack of information on car parking, access arrangements, refuse, drainage and opportunities to promote walking, cycling and public transport; and proposals result in biodiversity net loss.</p>	<p>Recommendation: Refuse</p>
21/03397/LBC	<p>Listed Building Consent for demolition of existing outbuilding(s) and extension(s) to 4 & 5 Front Street with replacement extension(s), internal alterations and alterations to boundary walls – 4 and 5 Front Street, Capheaton</p> <p>Main issues: proposals result in harm to the heritage assets without clear and convincing justification of this harm or public benefits to outweigh the harm.</p>	<p>2 November 2022 Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse</p>
21/02696/S106A	<p>Variation of S106 Agreement relating to planning permission A/2004/0323 dated 3rd February 2005 – Hawkshaw, Old Swarland, Swarland</p> <p>Main issues: the S106 continues to serve a useful purpose and insufficient information has been submitted to demonstrate that there is no longer a requirement for discount market value accommodation for a local person(s) in the area.</p>	<p>7 November 2022 Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse</p>
22/00913/FUL	<p>Resubmission of approval 18/03632/REM for the construction of two detached dwellings and associated works – land to north west of Blue House Farm Cottages, Blue House Farm Road, Netherton Colliery</p> <p>Maini issues: isolated residential development in the open countryside; and no planning obligation secured in respect of a contribution to the Coastal Mitigation Service</p>	<p>7 December 2022 Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse</p>

	or other alternative mitigation.	
21/04208/FUL	<p>Proposal to erect a single self-build dwelling house – land south west of Hazeldene Cottage, Sinderhope</p> <p>Main issues: isolated development in the open countryside in an unsustainable location; fails to conserve and enhance the natural beauty and scenic qualities of the North Pennines AONB; visibility splays from the access are inadequate; insufficient information to assess ecological impacts; and insufficient information regarding foul water drainage.</p>	<p>7 December 2022</p> <p>Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse</p>
22/00262/FUL	<p>Demolition of existing extension and rebuilding an extension – 1 Sandridge, Newbiggin-by-the Sea</p> <p>Main issues: unacceptable design with detrimental loss and alteration of a historic building group with harm to the Conservation Area.</p>	<p>8 December 2022</p> <p>Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse</p>
22/01675/FUL	<p>Erection of 1 no. Dwelling (C3 use) - land south of Old Smithy, Widdrington Village</p> <p>Main issues: development in the open countryside; harm to the setting of a Grade I listed building with no public benefits; and no unilateral undertaking has been completed to secure a contribution to the Coastal Mitigation Service.</p>	<p>19 December 2022</p> <p>Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse</p>
22/03313/AGTRES	<p>Prior notification for change of use and conversion of agricultural building to single dwelling – The March Barn, Welton</p> <p>Main issues: the proposal involves significant building operations that go beyond what is reasonably necessary to convert the building and therefore it is not permitted development.</p>	<p>21 December 2022</p> <p>Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse</p>
21/01833/FUL	<p>Development of 60 no. Pitches for holiday accommodation comprising touring caravan/campervan pitches and tents – land at Elwick Farm, Belford</p> <p>Main issues: unsustainable major tourism in the open countryside; lack of information in relation to impacts on wildlife; lack of information in respect of a nutrient calculation relating to the Lindisfarne SPA; and lack of information relating to surface water drainage and highways.</p>	<p>10 January 2023</p> <p>Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse</p>
22/00394/FUL	Retrospective: Construction of pergola and	13 January 2023

	<p>decking within existing beer garden – The Dyvels Hotel, Station Road, Corbridge</p> <p>Main issues: inappropriate development in the Green Belt with no demonstrated very special circumstances to outweigh the harm; and harm to the character and appearance of the building and the surrounding area.</p>	<p>Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse</p>
22/01812/FUL	<p>Proposed detached single storey garage and store with associated formation of driveway – Eland Close, Eland Land, Ponteland</p> <p>Main issues: inappropriate development in the Green Belt and the open countryside.</p>	<p>24 January 2023</p> <p>Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse</p>
21/02287/FUL	<p>Convert and extend redundant cow byre to residential use (C3) for holiday let – Waterside Cottage, Acklington</p> <p>Main issues: development in an unsustainable location within the open countryside; insufficient information to justify non-mains foul drainage; insufficient information to demonstrate the proposal would not sterilise and identified sand and gravel resource; absence of suitable mitigation to address recreational disturbance with adverse effects on the Northumbria Coast SPA and Ramsar Site and the North Northumberland Dunes SAC; and loss of ancient woodland with no exceptional circumstances or suitable compensation strategy.</p>	<p>25 January 2023</p> <p>Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse</p>
22/03609/AGTRES	<p>Notification of Prior Approval to convert an existing but now redundant agricultural building on the Guyzance Estate for permanent residential use – land south of Waterside Cottage, Acklington</p> <p>Main issues: impacts on adjacent ancient semi-natural woodland and River Coquet and Coquet Valley Woodland SSSI; and absence of suitable mitigation to address recreational disturbance with adverse effects on the Northumbria Coast SPA and Ramsar Site and the North Northumberland Dunes SAC.</p>	<p>25 January 2023</p> <p>Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse</p>
22/03324/FUL	<p>Erect a feed barn for storage of animal feed – Eastside, Partnership Field, Springwell, Ovington</p> <p>Main issues: inappropriate development in the Green Belt.</p>	<p>13 February 2023</p> <p>Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse</p>

22/04634/FUL	<p>Demolition of detached garage and construction of side extension – Middlesteads Farm, Longhirst</p> <p>Main issues: design does not respect the character of the existing dwelling or its locality, would fail to remain subordinate and would result in unacceptable adverse impact on the character of the dwelling and its setting.</p>	<p>16 February 2023</p> <p>Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse</p>
22/01297/FUL	<p>Development of 4 no. residential dwellings including associated access, landscaping and all other ancillary works – land north of junction of Station Road, South End, Longhoughton</p> <p>Main issues: would fail to preserve the setting of the Grade I listed Church of St Peter and St Paul; harmful impact on the character and appearance of the area; and absence of suitable mitigation to address recreational disturbance with adverse effects on the Northumbria Coast SPA and Ramsar Site and the North Northumberland Dunes SAC.</p>	<p>21 February 2023</p> <p>Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse</p>
22/02704/CLEXIS	<p>Certificate of Lawful Development – Existing use for the siting of a caravan for residential purposes – land north of east of South Linden House, Longhorsley</p> <p>Main issues: it is not possible to conclude that the building has been used for a continuous period of 4 years as a dwelling.</p>	<p>27 February 2023</p> <p>Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse</p>

Recent Enforcement Appeal Decisions

Enforcement Appeals Allowed

Reference No	Description and address	Award of costs?
None		

Enforcement Appeals Dismissed

Reference No	Description and address	Award of costs?
None		No

Enforcement Appeals Withdrawn

Reference No	Description and address	Award of costs?
None		

Enforcement Appeals Received

Appeals Received

Reference No	Description and address	Appeal start date
22/00022/NOTICE	Unauthorised dwelling – Horsley Banks Farm, Horsley	6 April 2022 Hearing date: 22 November 2022
22/00023/NOTICE	Unauthorised stable buildings – Horsley Banks Farm, Horsley	6 April 2022 Hearing date: 22 November 2022
18/01525/ENDEVT	Change of use of the land for the stationing of 2 caravans including a linking structure for residential purposes - School House Farm, Kiln Pit Hill, Consett	29 April 2022
18/01525/ENDEVT	Erection of a building used to house parrots and other animals; the erection of a corrugated steel barn; the erection of 2 timber structures to accommodate birds; and the construction of a hardstanding area - School House Farm, Kiln Pit Hill, Consett	29 April 2022
22/00571/ENDEVT	Unauthorised siting of a caravan – land south-west of Hartburn Bridge, Morpeth	1 February 2023

20/00481/ENDEVT	Change of use of a forestry building for use as residential - English/Wheelings Wood, Corbridge	2 March 2023
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Inquiry and Hearing Dates

Reference No	Description and address	Inquiry/hearing date and decision level
None		

Implications

Policy	Decisions on appeals may affect future interpretation of policy and influence policy reviews
Finance and value for money	There may be financial implications where costs are awarded by an Inspector or where Public Inquiries are arranged to determine appeals
Legal	It is expected that Legal Services will be instructed where Public Inquiries are arranged to determine appeals
Procurement	None
Human resources	None
Property	None
Equalities (Impact Assessment attached?) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/a	Planning applications and appeals are considered having regard to the Equality Act 2010
Risk assessment	None
Crime and disorder	As set out in individual reports and decisions
Customer consideration	None
Carbon reduction	Each application/appeal may have an impact on the local environment and have been assessed accordingly
Wards	All where relevant to application site relating to the appeal

Background papers

Planning applications and appeal decisions as identified within the report.

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Northumberland County Council

CRAMLINGTON, BEDLINGTON & SEATON VALLEY
LOCAL AREA COUNCIL
19 April 2023

REVIEW OF THE DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT OF PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

ALLEGED PUBLIC FOOTPATH No 200 FORMER BLYTH VALLEY BOROUGH

Report of the Executive Director of Local Services
Cabinet Member: Councillor Jeff Watson, Healthy Lives

Purpose of report

In this report, the Cramlington, Bedlington and Seaton Valley Local Area Council is asked to consider all the relevant evidence gathered in support and in rebuttal of the existence of public footpath rights over a route between the U9541 footpath and the car park for East Cramlington Nature Reserve, and then looping back on itself.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Local Area Council agrees that:

- (i) there is sufficient evidence to indicate that public footpath rights have been reasonably alleged to exist over the route A-B-C;**
- (ii) the route be included in a future Definitive Map Modification Order as a public footpath.**

1.0 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The relevant statutory provisions which apply to adding a public right of way to the Definitive Map and Statement based on 20 years user evidence are Sections 53(3)(b) and 53(3)(c)(i) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act, 1981, which require the County Council (as Surveying Authority) to modify the Definitive Map and Statement following:

“The expiration, in relation to any way in the area to which the map relates, of any period such that the enjoyment by the public of the way during that period raises a presumption that the way has been dedicated as a public path or restricted byway” [s53(3)(b)]

or

“the discovery by the authority of evidence which (when considered with all other relevant evidence available to them) shows that a right of way

which is not shown in the map and statement subsists or is reasonably alleged to subsist over land in the area to which the map relates, being a right of way such that the land over which the right subsists is a public path, a restricted byway or, subject to section 54A, a byway open to all traffic;" [s53(3)(c)(i)]

- 1.2 It is an unresolved question whether it is permissible to invoke section 53(3)(c)(i) in a case to which section 53(3)(b) applies. There is a case (Bagshaw), which is indirect authority to the effect that in any case of deemed dedication reliance on paragraph (c)(i) is perfectly acceptable. Members are therefore invited to apply the lower test.
- 1.3 Section 31 of the Highways Act 1980 (HA80) provides for the presumption of dedication of a public right of way following 20 years continuous use. Sub-section (1) states:

“Where a way over any land, other than a way of such a character that use of it by the public could not give rise at common law to any presumption of dedication, has been actually enjoyed by the public as of right and without interruption for a full period of 20 years, the way is deemed to have been dedicated as a highway unless there is sufficient evidence that there was no intention during that period to dedicate it.”
- 1.4 It is necessary to show that there has been uninterrupted use, as of right, by the public over a period of 20 years or more. ‘As of right’ means openly, not secretly, not by force and not by permission. The public must have used the way without hindrance (e.g. objections, verbal / written warnings, etc.) or permission from the landowner or his agents. The 20 year period may be shown at any time in the past and is generally taken to run backwards from the date when the use of the path was first “brought into question”, whether by a notice or otherwise.
- 1.5 The Local Area Council must consider whether there is sufficient evidence to allege that the presumption is raised. The standard of proof is the civil one that is the balance of probabilities. Members must weigh up the evidence and if, on balance, it is reasonable to allege that there is a public right of way, then the presumption is raised. The onus is then on the landowner to show evidence that there was no intention on their part to dedicate.
- 1.6 Such evidence may consist of notices or barriers, or by the locking of the way on one day in the year, and drawing this to the attention of the public, or by the deposit of a Declaration under section 31(6) HA80 to the effect that no additional ways (other than any specifically indicated in the Declaration) have been dedicated as highways since the date of the deposit.
- 1.7 All the relevant statutory provisions and competing rights and interests have been considered in making this report. The recommendation is in accordance with the law and proportionate, having regard to individuals’ rights and the public interest.

2.0 PUBLIC EVIDENCE

- 2.1 In October 2021, Mrs D Rossiter and Mr A Scholley of Cramlington made a formal application in support of a public footpath from a point marked A, on the

U9541 footpath, in a south-easterly direction towards a point marked B, approximately 30 metres south-west of the car park for East Cramlington Nature Reserve, and then looping back on itself in a north-westerly and westerly direction to a point marked C.

- 2.2 The proposal was initially supported by user evidence from 26 local people, 16 of whom claim to have used the route on foot for periods in excess of 20 years. During the consultation period, user evidence from 3 other local people was supplied, none of whom claimed to have used the path on foot for in excess of 20 years.

3. LANDOWNER EVIDENCE

- 3.1 Other than the Map and Statement and Statutory Declaration deposited in 2013, under Section 31(6) of the Highways Act 1980, there is no landowner evidence at this stage.

4. CONSULTATION

- 4.1 In August 2022, the Council carried out a consultation with the Parish Council, known owners and occupiers of the land, the local County Councillor and the local representatives of the “prescribed and local organisations” listed in the Council’s “Code of Practice on Consultation for Public Path Orders”. Two replies were received and are included below.

- 4.2 By email, on 28 October 2022, Local County Councillor Eve Chicken responded to the consultation, stating:

“Thank you for your letter and map sent to me last month regarding path 200.

After consultation with residents, some of whom are life long residents of Seaton Delaval, I can find no reason at all to this path not being added to our list of public footpath. As far as I can establish, this path has been used without restrictions, for many decades.

This has my full support.”

- 4.3 By email, in August 2022, the British Horse Society responded to the consultation indicating that it had no comments to make about this particular proposal.

5. DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

- 5.1 A search has been made of archives relating to the area. Evidence of Council Highways records, County Maps and O.S. Maps was inspected, and the following copies are enclosed for consideration.

1840 Cramlington Tithe Award:

There is no evidence of a path / track over the route of alleged Footpath No 200, but there is evidence of the old Cramlington Wagonway over part of the alleged route between Point A and the B1326 road.

c.1860 Ordnance Survey Map: Scale 1:2500

There is no evidence of a path / track over the route of alleged Footpath No 200, but there is evidence of the old Cramlington Wagonway over part of the alleged route between Point A and the B1326 road.

c.1860 Ordnance Survey Map: Scale 1:10,560

There is no evidence of a path / track over the route of alleged Footpath No 200, but there is evidence of the old Cramlington Wagonway over part of the alleged route between Point A and the B1326 road.

1896 Ordnance Survey Map: Scale 1:2500

There is no evidence of a path / track over the route of alleged Footpath No 200, but there is evidence of the old Cramlington Colliery Railway over part of the alleged route between Point A and the B1326 road.

1898 Ordnance Survey Map: Scale 1:10,560

There is no evidence of a path / track over the route of alleged Footpath No 200, but there is evidence of the old Cramlington Colliery Railway over part of the alleged route between Point A and the B1326 road.

1922 Ordnance Survey Map: Scale 1:2500

There is no evidence of a path / track over the route of alleged Footpath No 200, but there is evidence of the old Cramlington Colliery Railway over part of the alleged route between Point A and the B1326 road.

1924 Ordnance Survey Map: Scale 1:10,560

There is no evidence of a path / track over the route of alleged Footpath No 200, but there is evidence of the old Cramlington Colliery Railway over part of the alleged route between Point A and the B1326 road.

Survey Map: Scale 1:10,560

There is no evidence of a path / track over the route of alleged Footpath No 200 and it has not been identified for inclusion as a public right of way.

Draft Map: Scale 1:10,560

As with the Survey Map, there is no evidence of a path / track over the route of alleged Footpath No 200 and it has not been identified for inclusion as a public right of way.

Provisional Map: Scale 1:10,560

As with the Survey and Draft Maps, there is no evidence of a path / track over the route of alleged Footpath No 200 and it has not been identified for inclusion as a public right of way.

First Review Definitive Map: Scale 1:10,560

There is no evidence of a path / track over the route of alleged Footpath No 200 and it has not been identified for inclusion as a public right of way.

1939 Ordnance Survey Map: Scale 1:10,560

There is no evidence of a path / track over the route of alleged Footpath No 200, but there is evidence of the old Cramlington Colliery Railway over part of the alleged route between Point A and the B1326 road.

1967 Ordnance Survey Map: Scale 1:10,560

There is no evidence of a path / track over the route of alleged Footpath No 200, but there is evidence of the old Mineral Railway over part of the alleged route between Point A and the B1326 road.

1981 Ordnance Survey Map: Scale 1:25,000

There is no evidence of a path / track over the route of alleged Footpath No 200. By this stage, the old Mineral Railway over part of the alleged route between Point A and the B1326 road would appear to have been dismantled.

2013 Section 31(6) deposits by the Trustees of J R Barrett's 1974 Farm Settlement

The alleged public footpath route crosses land identified by the Trustees of J R Barrett's 1974 Farm Settlement as being land within its ownership. The alleged footpath route is not acknowledged, by the landowner, as being a public right of way. There is, however, a significant question mark regarding the effectiveness of these deposits. The Statement is dated 8th August 2013 and the Statutory Declaration is also dated the same day. The Declaration refers back to a Statement dated "2012". There was no such Statement.

6. SITE INVESTIGATION

- 6.1 From Point A, on the U9541 footpath, a 1.5 metre wide grass surfaced track proceeds in a south-easterly direction for a distance of 300 metres to a Point marked C, continuing in a south-easterly direction on a less well-defined route for another 300 metres and then a 2.5 to 3 metre wide trodden earth track proceeds in an easterly direction for 300 metres to a Point marked B, approximately 30 metres west of the car park for East Cramlington Nature Reserve. From Point B, a 5.5 metre wide trodden earth track proceeds in a north-westerly direction for a distance of 175 metres and then a 1.5 metre wide grass surfaced track continues in a westerly direction for a distance of 370 metres, returning to Point C.

7. COMMENTS RECEIVED ON THE DRAFT REPORT

- 7.1 In March 2023, a draft copy of the report was circulated to the applicant and those landowners / occupiers who responded to the initial consultation for their comments.

8. DISCUSSION

- 8.1 Section 53 (3)(c)(i) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, requires the County Council to modify the Definitive Map when evidence is discovered which, when considered with all other relevant evidence available to them shows:

that a right of way, which is not shown in the Map and Statement, subsists or is reasonably alleged to subsist over land in the area to which the Map relates, being a right of way such that the land over which the right subsists is a public path, a restricted byway or; subject to section 54A, a byway open to all traffic.

- 8.2 When considering an application / proposal for a modification order, Section 32 of the Highways Act 1980 provides for “any map, plan or history of the locality or other relevant document” to be tendered in evidence and such weight to be given to it as considered justified by the circumstances, including the antiquity of the tendered document, the status of the person by whom and the purpose for which it was made or compiled, and the custody in which it has been kept and from which it is produced.
- 8.3 The representation of a path or track on an Ordnance Survey Map is not evidence that it is a public right of way. It is only indicative of its physical existence at the time of the survey.
- 8.4 Under Section 31 of the Highways Act 1980, a particular way may be presumed to be a highway if it can be shown that there has been twenty years uninterrupted use by the public, as a right of way, and that the landowners have not taken steps to rebut this presumed dedication during that twenty year period.
- 8.5 The proposal is supported by user evidence from 29 local people, 16 of whom claim to have used the route on foot for periods in excess of 20 years. The frequency of use ranges from daily through to once every few months.
- 8.6 As yet, with the exception of the Map and Statement and Statutory Declaration deposited in August 2023, no rebuttal evidence has been supplied. When made correctly, these deposits made under Section 31(6) of the Highways Act 1980, would generally be effective at ‘cancelling out’ public use occurring after the date the Declaration was received. There are at least two significant issues that seem likely to compromise the effectiveness of the Trustees of JR Barrett’s 1974 Farm Settlement deposits. Firstly, the statement is dated 8th August 2013 and the Statutory Declaration is also dated the same day. Both were submitted together, under the same covering letter and received by Northumberland County Council on 15th August 2013. DEFRA’s December 2013 guidance is clear:

“14. You cannot simultaneously deposit a highways statement and lodge a highways declaration in relation to the same land. In order for a declaration to be effective as evidence against presumed dedication, the lodging of the declaration must take place after the deposit of a statement, no more than 20 years later.”

Secondly, in the Statutory Declaration, it refers to an earlier Map and Statement dated “2012”. There was no 2012 Statement. As already mentioned, above, the Statement was dated 8th August 2013 (the same as the Statutory Declaration).

- 8.7 The historical maps don't provide any evidence to suggest that a path may have physically existed over the claimed route for any great length of time. Part of the route appears to have been a functioning railway track until at least the late 1960s
- 8.8 None of the evidence providers have acknowledged ever having been given permission to use the route, and prior to the fencing in 2020, none of them claim to have been prevented from using the route.
- 8.9 24 of the evidence providers have acknowledged the existence of barriers and signage on the alleged route. Obstructions initially began on 27th September 2020 for a period of 1 month, when fences were erected, followed by hay bales that were placed on the alleged route in October 2020. A new fence was then apparently put up with 'private' and 'CCTV' signs on 24th May 2021.
- 8.10 If the date the public's right to use the alleged path was called into question is taken to be October 2021, the date the application was submitted, then 16 out of the 29 user evidence providers claim to have walked the path for the 20 year period prior to this date. This drops to 14 out of the 29, if the fencing and hay bales from September / October 2020 are taken as the earliest effective challenge to public use. However, in August 2013 the landowner (the Trustees of J R Barrett's 1974 Farm Settlement) deposited a map and statement followed by a statutory declaration under Section 31(6) of the Highways Act 1980. Even if the date the public's right to use the alleged path was called into question is taken to be August 2013, then 9 out of the 29 user evidence providers claim to have walked the path for the 20 year period prior to this date. The frequency and purpose of this use is considered to be sufficient to raise a presumption of dedication.
- 8.11 Based on the user evidence, and in the absence of any evidence of any acts of rebuttal prior to 2020, it would be appropriate to conclude that public footpath rights have been reasonably alleged to exist over the route.
- 8.12 Advice from the Planning Inspectorate in their 'consistency guidelines' states that it is important to have the correct width, where known, recorded in the definitive statement. The user evidence providers have identified a path width ranging from 1.5 to 4 metres. From measurements taken on my site visit, in January, the current width that physically exists on the ground would appear to be typically 1.5 to 2 metres, and around 5 metres for the most easterly 175 metres (i.e. north-west of Point B). If the path is included in a future Definitive Map Modification Order, based on the information supplied by path users and my own measurements, described in paragraph 6.1 above, it would seem appropriate to identify most of the route with a width of 2 metres. For the most easterly 175 metres it is proposed to identify the route with a width of 5 metres, reflecting the width of the earth track.

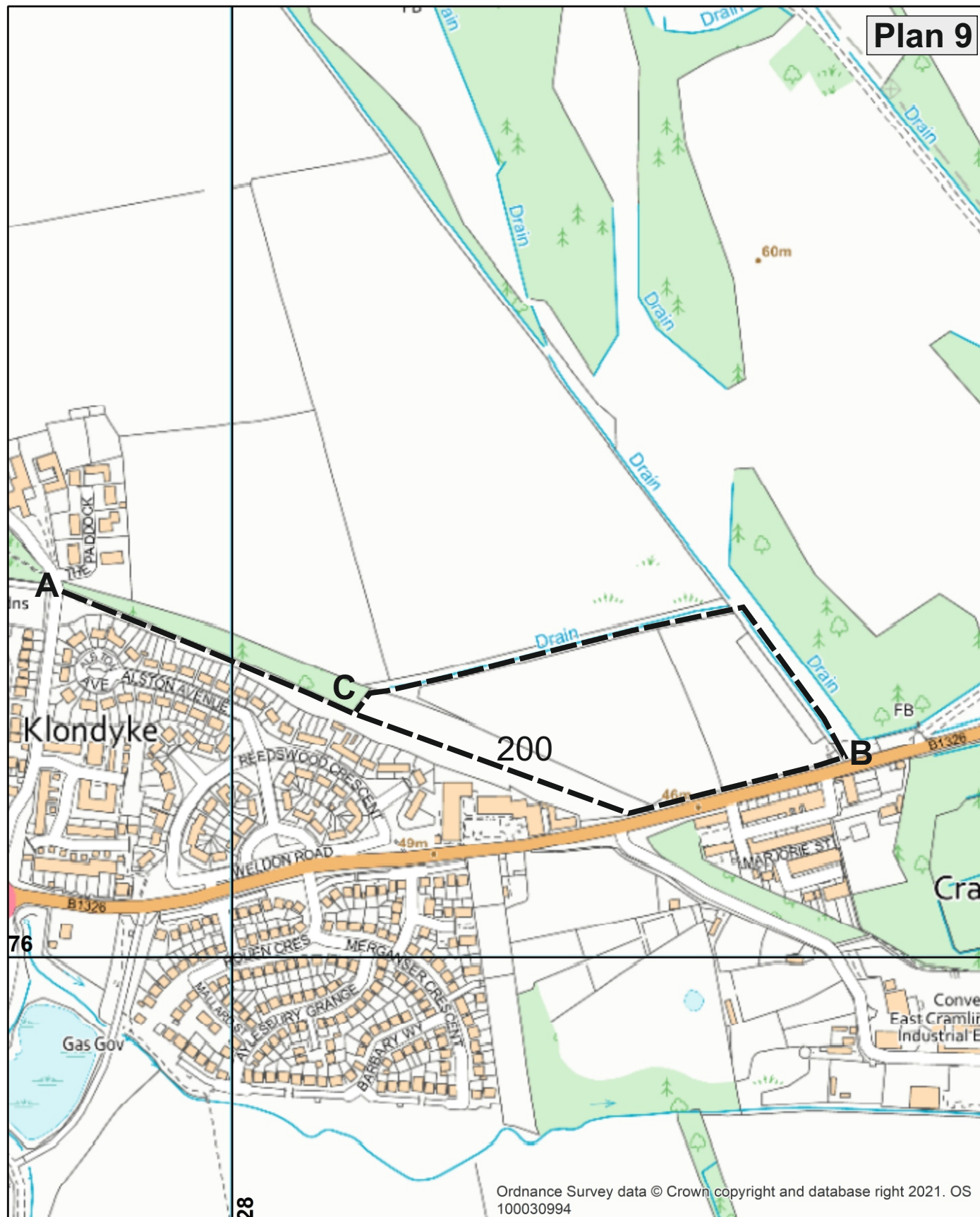
9. CONCLUSION

- 9.1 In the light of the evidence submitted, it appears that there is sufficient evidence to justify that public footpath rights have been reasonably alleged to exist over the claimed route.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

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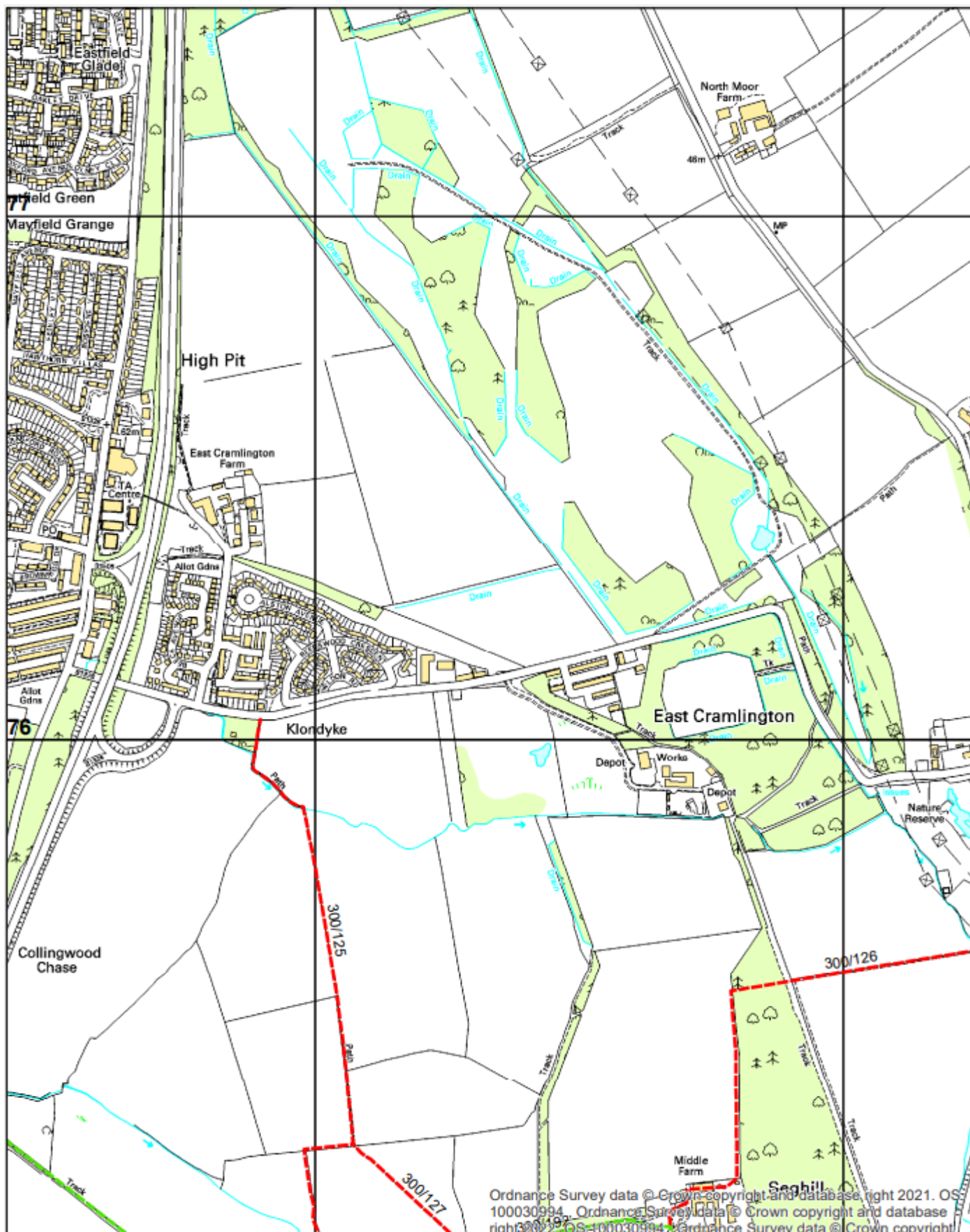
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Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 Public Rights of Way

----- Alleged Public Footpath

Former District(s) Blyth Valley	Parish(es) Seaton Valley	Scale 1/5,000
Def. Map No. 174	O.S. Map NZ 27 NE	Date August 2022



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Legend

- Footpath
- Bridleway
- Restricted Byway
- Byway Open to All Traffic

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FORMER BLYTH VALLEY BOROUGH FP 200										
1960197019801990200020102020								Frequency and Type of Use		Prevented from using the route?
L Savage								Weekly/ Every few months on foot		No
S Coombs								Daily on foot/ Every few months by pedal cycle		Yes
J McMullan								Daily on foot		Yes
M Mangan								Daily on foot		No
D Rossiter								Daily on foot		No
A Watson								Daily to Weekly on foot		Yes
M Railton								Daily on foot		No
J Hall								Every few months on foot		No
K Schooling								Weekly on foot		Yes
D Coombs								Weekly on foot		No
V Woods								Daily on foot		Yes
T Hancill								Daily on foot/ Monthly by pedal cycle		Yes
A Woods								Daily on foot		Yes
M Porter								Weekly on foot/ by pedal cycle		Yes
N Taylor								Weekly on foot 2018-21/ Monthly on foot 2000-18		Yes
K Young								Daily on foot		No
C Young								Daily on foot		No
L Nolan								Daily on foot		Yes
L Renfree								Weekly on foot		Yes
R Nolan								Daily on foot		Yes


PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981, PART III
DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT FOR THE COUNTY OF NORTHUMBERLAND

APPLICATION FOR MODIFICATION ORDER

Former Borough/District Blyth ValleyParish CramlingtonTo: Infrastructure Records
Local Services Group
Northumberland County Council
County Hall
Morpeth
Northumberland
NE61 2EFI/We DIANE ROSSITER AND ANDREW SCHOLEY (Name)of 55, BEECH AVENUE + 85, BEECH AVENUE (Address)
CRAMLINGTON, NORTHUMBERLAND NE23 6XS.

hereby apply for an order, under Section 53 (2) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, modifying the Definitive Map and Statement for the County of Northumberland, by adding the footpath:

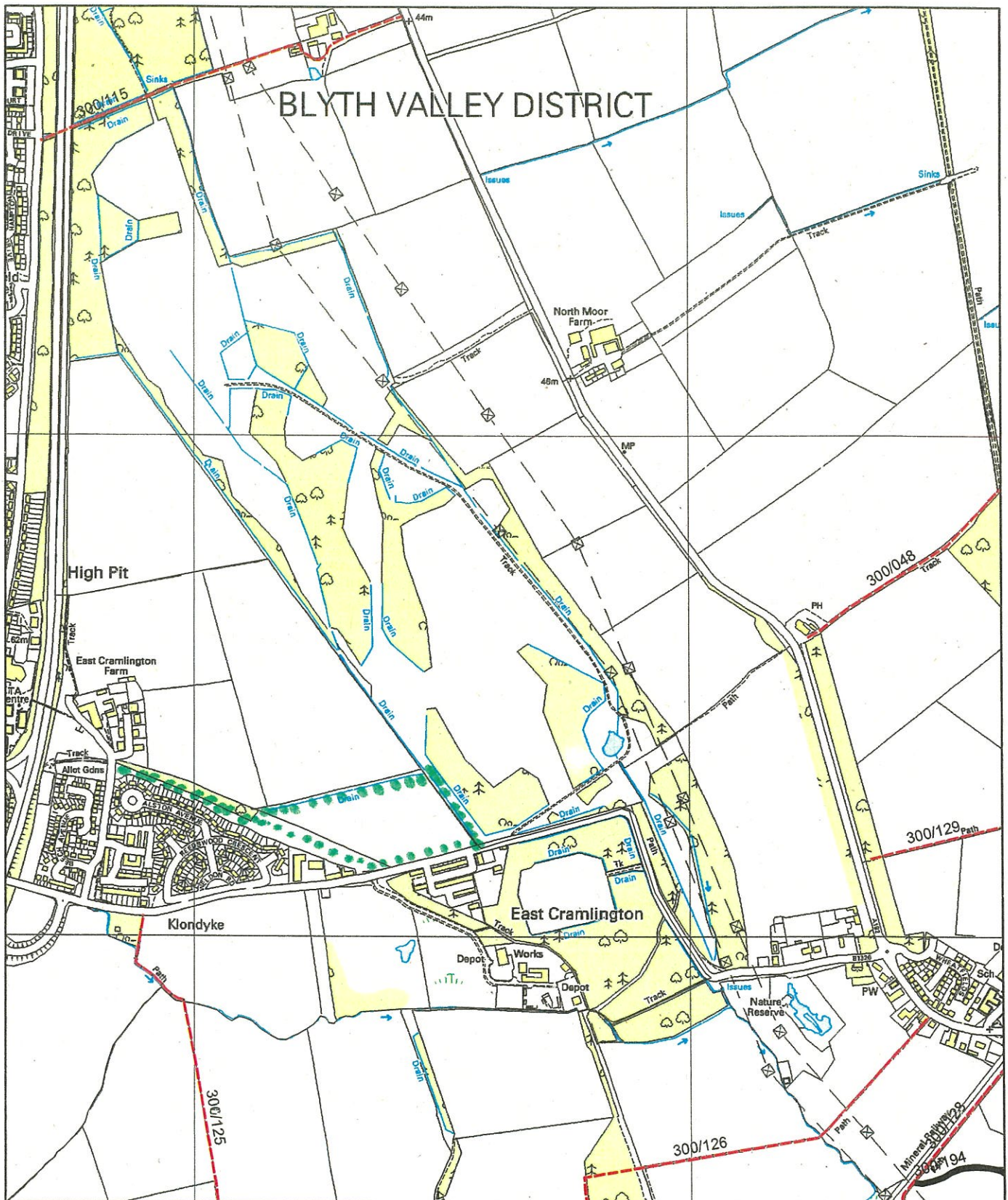
from LANERCOST NATURE RESERVE LEADING
to EAST CRAMLINGTON NATURE RESERVEas shown on the plan attached. 

I/We attach copies of the following documentary evidence (including statements of witness) set out below in support of this application.

List of Documents

- 2, Ariel photos of the land
- 2, copies of OS maps outlining temporary footpath.
- Several photos of around the area and fences at various stages. (electronic photos can be sent upon request)
- 26 witness statements.

Dated 12/10/2021 Signed  NOTE: This application **must** be accompanied by a map showing the right(s) of way applied for. Legally such a map must be at a scale of not less than 2½" to 1 mile, but 1:10,000 scale (being the scale at which the Definitive Map is to be prepared and maintained) will normally be preferable.




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Alleged Public Right of Way

Former District	Blyth	Parish	Seaton Valley	Scale	NTS
Def. Map. No.	174	O.S. Map	NZ27NE	Date	June 2021







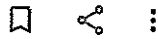




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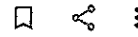
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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name LEON SAVAGE

Address 2 LOW HOLTON FARM COTTAGES
..... BEBSIDE

..... Postcode NE 244HG

Year of Birth 1979

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]

..... 29 ALSTON AVENUE, NE23 6RP

..... APPROX 1982 - 1997

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☒ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☒ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

..... DEPENDING ON ROUTE TAKING THE EUBBANT

..... START AND FINISH POINTS ARE START (NZ 27834)
..... FINISH (NZ 28476) POINT (NZ 28188) IS THE LOCATION
..... 76334) (76338)

..... YOU USED TO LEAVE THE ROUTE TO ACCESS THE
..... FINISH LOCATION.

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From 1979 To 2019

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

AS A CHILD / TEENAGER THE ROUTE WAS USED
OFTEN TO ACCESS EAST CRAM LNR

3. 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 car						
Other []						

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

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

.....
.....

5. 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']

APPROX - THE TROD PATH WAS 0.5 METERS WIDE
THOUGH YOU COULD MOVE FREELY TO AVOID CONTACT
WITH OTHERS, INCLUDING HORSES UP TO AND BEYOND
5 METERS

6. 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

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

How long were they in place?

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

BOULDER WAS INSTALLED AT THE LNR TO POSSIBLY RESTRICT MOTOR BIKE ACCESS.

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

☒ No

Yes

If yes, please give details

9. 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")

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

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

WHEN THE ACCESS WAS RESTRICTED

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

THE ROUTE IS/WAS USED BY LOCALS FROM THE AREA, INCLUDING OTHER CONVENTIONERS.

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

IM CURRENTLY TREE + WOODLAND OFFICER FOR NORTH
COUNTY COUNCIL AND IM AWARE THE ROUTE ISNT AN
14. Have you ever been stopped or turned back when using the application route? OFFICIAL FROM
NOW.

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

.....
.....

15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☒ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

PERSONAL IVE BEEN FOLLOWED IN
CHAINS, DEALING WITH RECENT
COMMUNICATIONS.

.....
.....

16. 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

.....
.....

Other Information

17. 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'll SEARCH PHOTOS ETC
I MAY HAVE SOME
.....
.....

18. 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]

IF NEED I CAN PROVIDE ADDITIONAL
MAPPING IF REQUIRED, SHOWING ACCESS POINTS
AND AERIAL SCREEN SHOTS ETC
.....
.....

19. 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?

☐ No

☒ Yes

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

PART F: Statement of Truth
(all applicants must complete this Part)

I BELIEVE THAT THE FACTS AND MATTERS CONTAINED IN THIS STATEMENT ARE TRUE

Signature (of the person making the statement of truth):

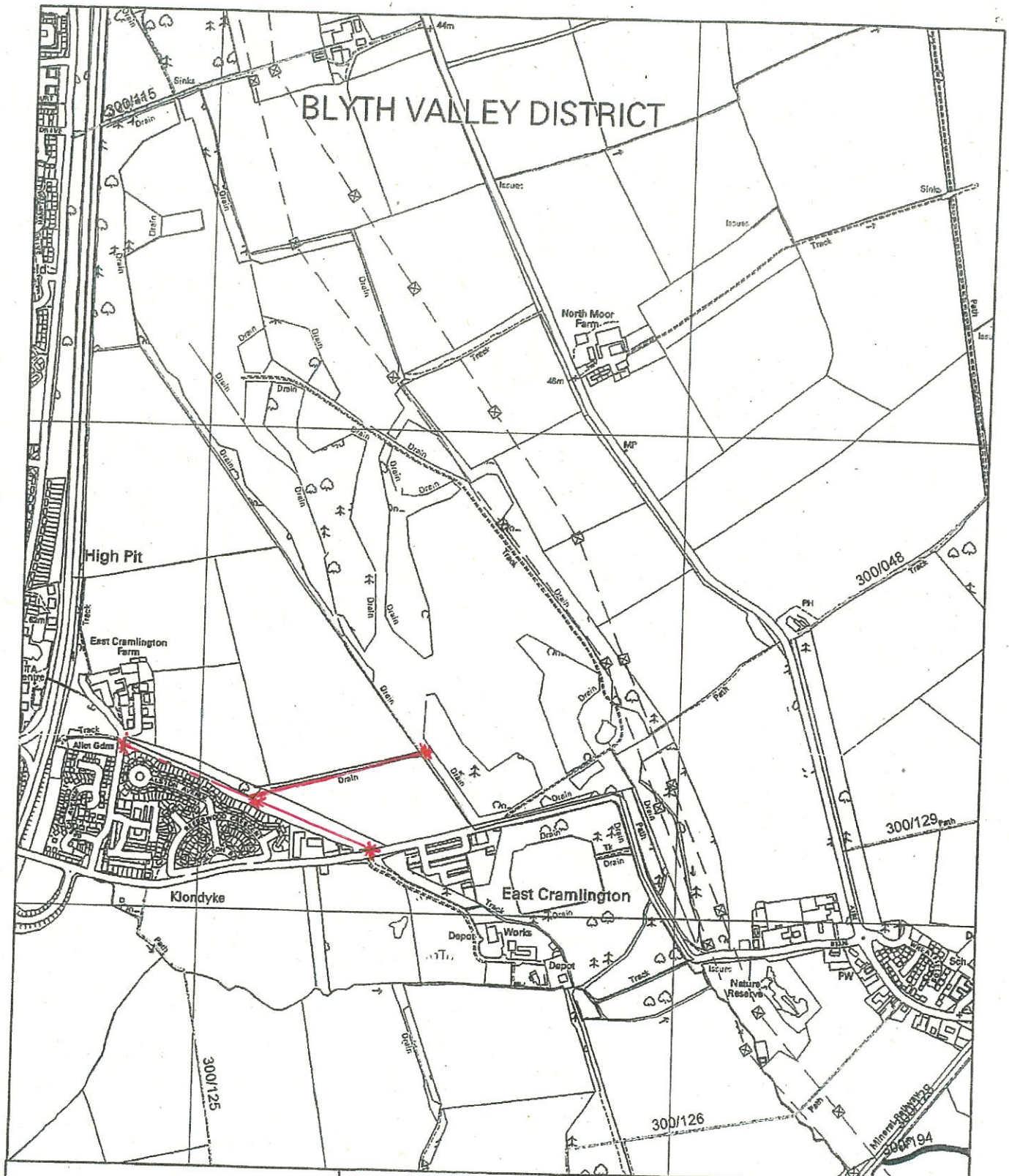


Print full name: LEON SAVAGE

Date: 3/9/2021

You should keep a copy of the completed statement

Warning: If you dishonestly enter information or make a statement that you know is, or might be, untrue or misleading, and intend by doing so to make a gain for yourself or another person, or to cause loss or the risk of loss to another person, you may commit the offence of fraud under section 1 of the Fraud Act 2006, the maximum penalty for which is 10 years' imprisonment or an unlimited fine, or both.




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  Alleged Public Right of Way
3/9/2021

Former District	Blyth	Parish	Seaton Valley	Scale	NTS
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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name Steven Coombs

Address 12 Reedswood Cramlington
Northumberland

Postcode NE236RW

Year of Birth 1980

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]

47 Reedswood ne236rw 1980-2004

12 Allansgreen NE236sg 2004-2014

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☐ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☒ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

WALK Down the back line behind Reedswood
Crescent field joins the back line and the
nature reserve

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From 1980 To 2020

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

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3. 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				never		never never
By pedal cycle				✓		never
By car						never
Other []						

4. 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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5. 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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1 meter

6. 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

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

none

How long were they in place?

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

currently

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details

Barriers Stopping right of way

9. 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")

☐ Yes

☐ Don't know

☒ No

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

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

other dog walkers

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

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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

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15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

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16. 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

17. 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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18. 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]

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19. 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?

☐ No

☒ Yes

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

☒ No

☐ Yes

PART F: Statement of Truth
(all applicants must complete this Part)

I BELIEVE THAT THE FACTS AND MATTERS CONTAINED IN THIS STATEMENT ARE TRUE

Signature (of the person making the statement of truth):

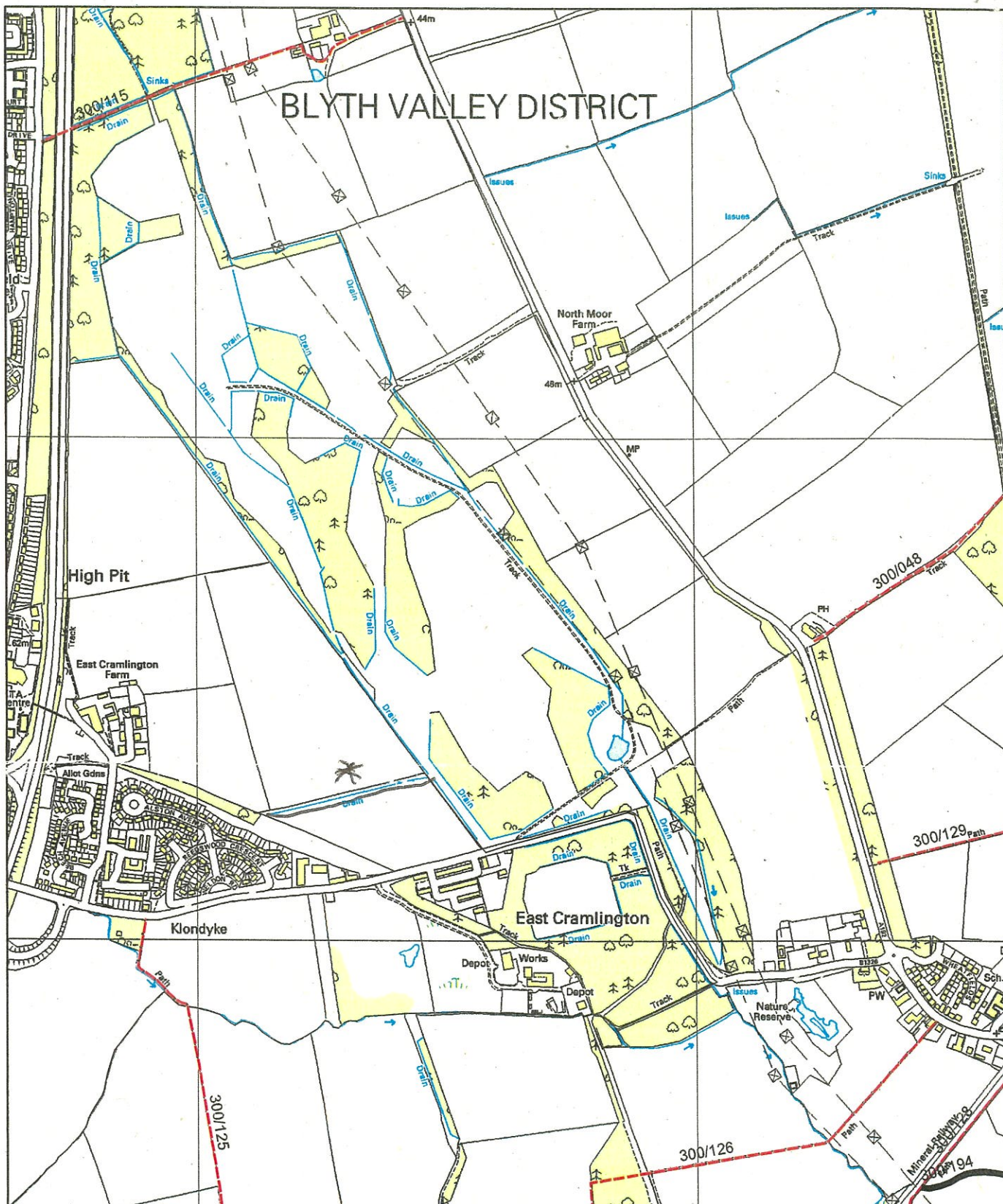


Print full name: Steven Coombs

Date: 7-8-21

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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name John McMullen

Address 90, Clifton Road, Crumlington

Northumberland

Postcode NE23 6TH

Year of Birth 1943

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

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☒ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

Pathway behind Aster court surrounding
the horses field from East Crumlington
estates to Crumlington Nature Reserve.

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From 1980 To 2020

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. 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
On horseback	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
By pedal cycle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
By car	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other []	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

4. 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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5. 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']

2m.

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

Soil, grass

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

NO

How long were they in place?

NO

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

NO

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

fence in Sept 2020 for about a month, bags of hay
Oct 2020 New fence until May 2021.

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details

New Fence completely blocking Pathway

9. 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")

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

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

only recently since new fence went up

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

dog walkers children with families + runners

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

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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

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15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

People walking in and around the area
have talked about being turned away from path
in May 2021.

16. 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

17. 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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18. 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 Pathway has been used by the public for many years + should already have been made a right of way path. It is a safe way to walk with dogs + children the roadway is narrow + a safety hazard.

19. 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?

☒ No

☐ Yes

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

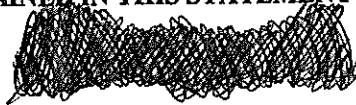
☒ No

☐ Yes

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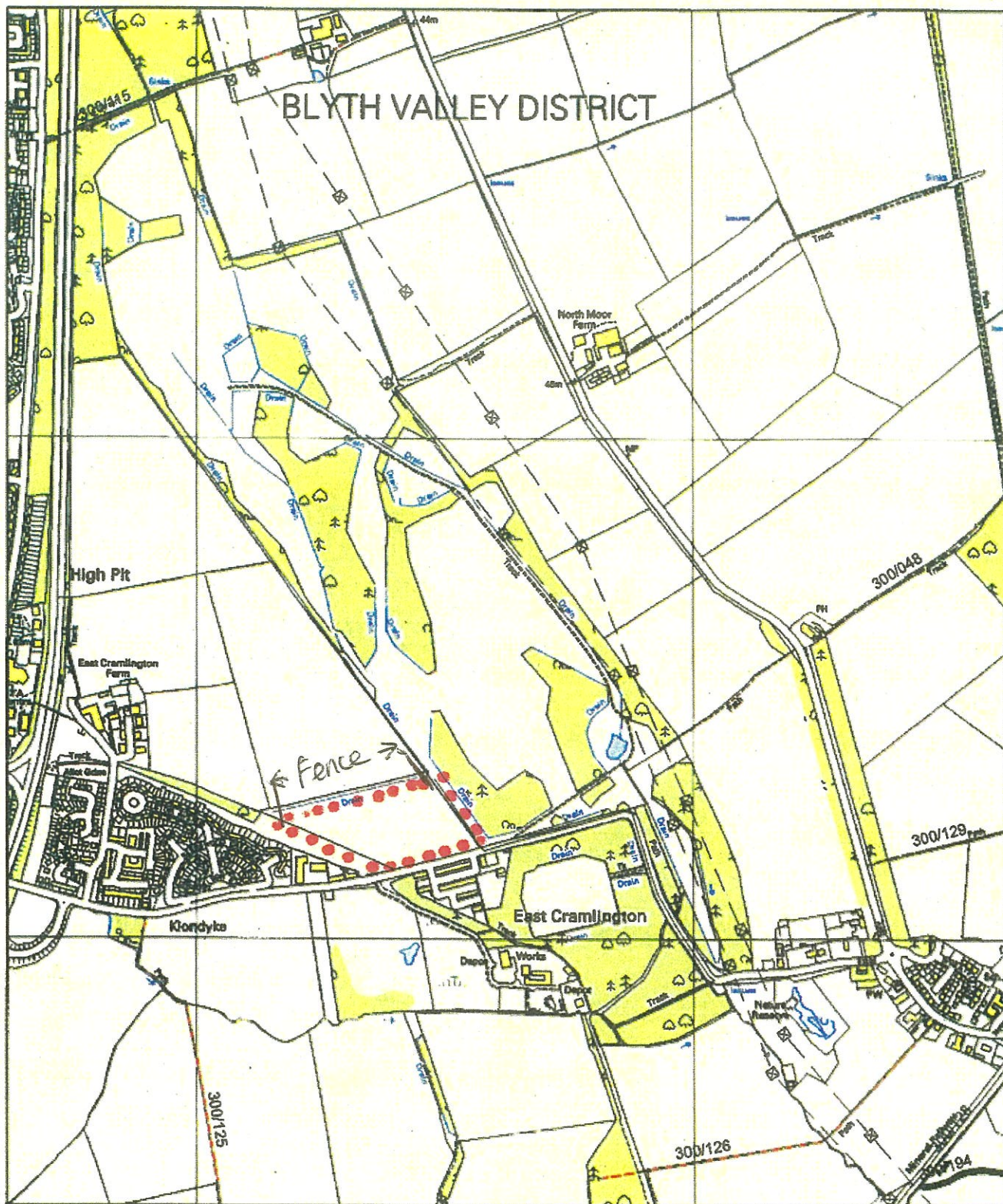


Print full name: **JOHN H. MULLEN**

Date: **5.8.2021**

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— Alleged Public Right of Way

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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name Michael Mangan

Address 45 Alston Ave, East Cramlington

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Postcode NE23 6RP

Year of Birth 1964

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]

From 1994 to 2018

.....

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☒ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

A path way by foot to and from the nature reserve

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MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From 1981 To 1990

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

From 1994 to 2018, moved away for work.

3. 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
On horseback						
By pedal cycle						
By car						
Other []						

4. 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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5. 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 8ft.

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

Earth and Grass

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

Stiles

How long were they in place?

Not sure

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

No

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

Hay Bales

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

☒ No

Yes

If yes, please give details

9. 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")

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

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

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

Just other member of the public walking

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

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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

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15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

.....

.....

16. 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

17. 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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18. 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]

We have good child memories of walking down these paths
and it would be sad not to be able to use it anymore.
It's a safer environment for families with small children
and pets.

19. 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?

☐ No

☒ Yes

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

☒ No

☐ Yes

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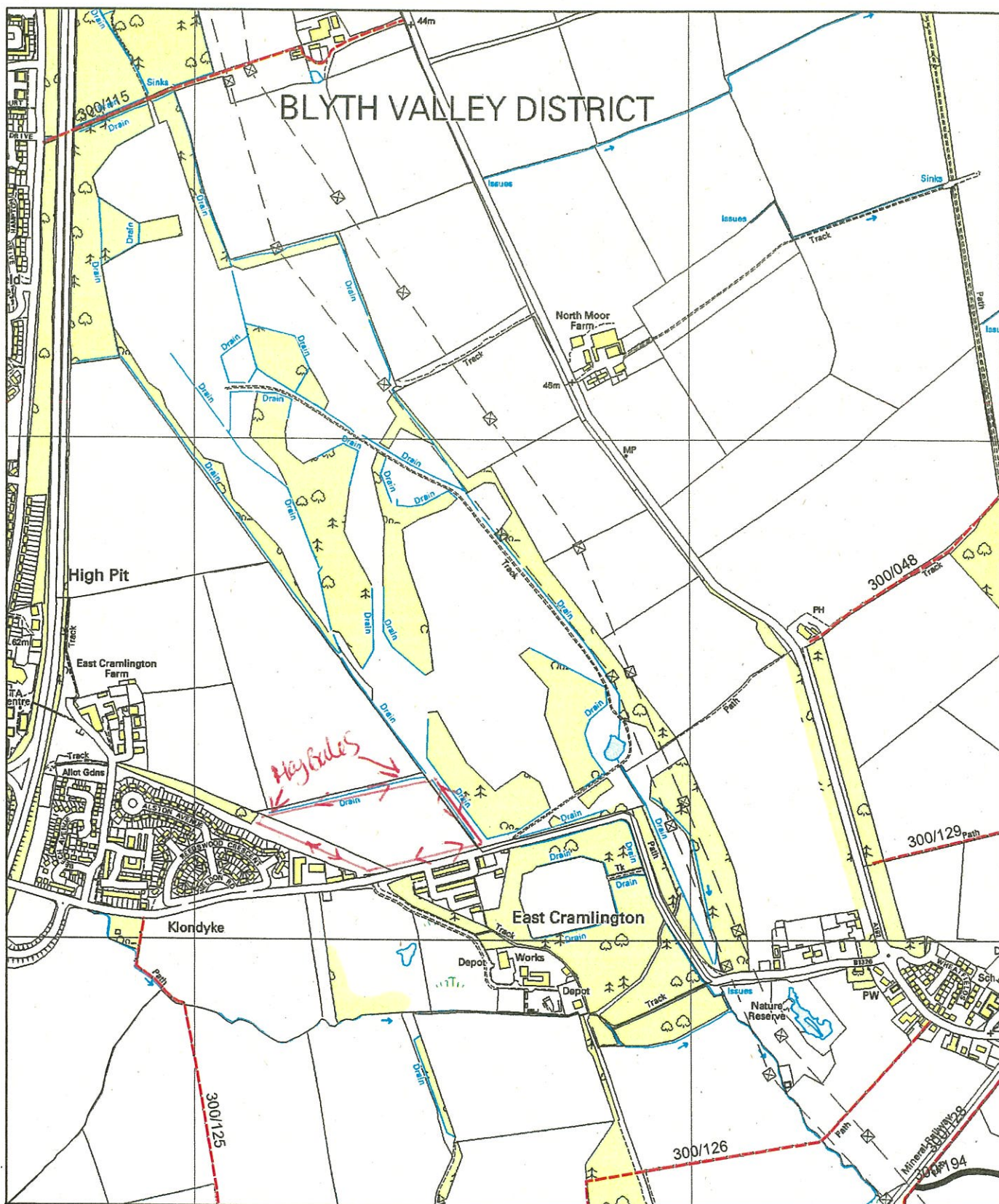
Signature (of the person making the statement of truth): 

Print full name: Michael John Mangan

Date: 24-6-21

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NE23 6XF, Marjorie St, Cr...

3 min

Willowmead
Boarding Cattery



2-Hay Sales

3 min



Barley Meadows,
Miller Homes

B1326

EAST
CRAMLING

3 min (0.5 mi)

Fastest route

Start

Steps

Pin

PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name Diane Rossiter

Address 55, Beech Avenue, Cramlington
Northumberland

Postcode NE23 6XS

Year of Birth 20/10/1967

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, 21 Cranshaw Place, 43, Concroft Place,

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☒ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

Access from the field at end of Lanercost Nature Reserve
behind Astor Court Nursing home and Alston Ave housing
estate, following the drain to East Cramlington Nature
Reserve. Map indicates Pathway used by The Public following
the arrows

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From 1982 To 2021

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

2004-2017 due to moving to Somerset only used the route a few times during this period

3. 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
On horseback						
By pedal cycle						
By car						
Other []						

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

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

/

5. 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']

from 2m to 4m the path varies due to trees and hedgegrowth along the way

6. 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

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

NO

How long were they in place?

/

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

/

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

Yes, fence erected 24th September 2020 and pulled down by October 2020. had a sign to say Private Property

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

☒ No

Yes

If yes, please give details

/

9. 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")

☐ Yes

☐ Don't know

☒ No

not until recently

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

24th May Signs put up stating Private Property

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

Prior to 24th Sept 2020 + 24th May 2021 General Public were using walk way and have been again since Oct 2020 until May 2021 dog walkers, ramblers, runners, families including children, Teenagers seen using the route.

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

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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

.....
.....

15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☒ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

25th May Tenant from cattery told several people
it was private land and could not be used to walk along route

16. 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

17. 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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18. 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]

As this route has been used for many years by the General Public and not been in dispute until 2020 I believe it should be a (ROW). This would leave the roadside + car park the only access to nature reserve which I deem to be a safety issue due to the narrow width of the path and the speed of the cars also access to the car park is a safety issue due to the blind spot as you approach the corner of the car park.

19. 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?

☐ No

☒ Yes

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

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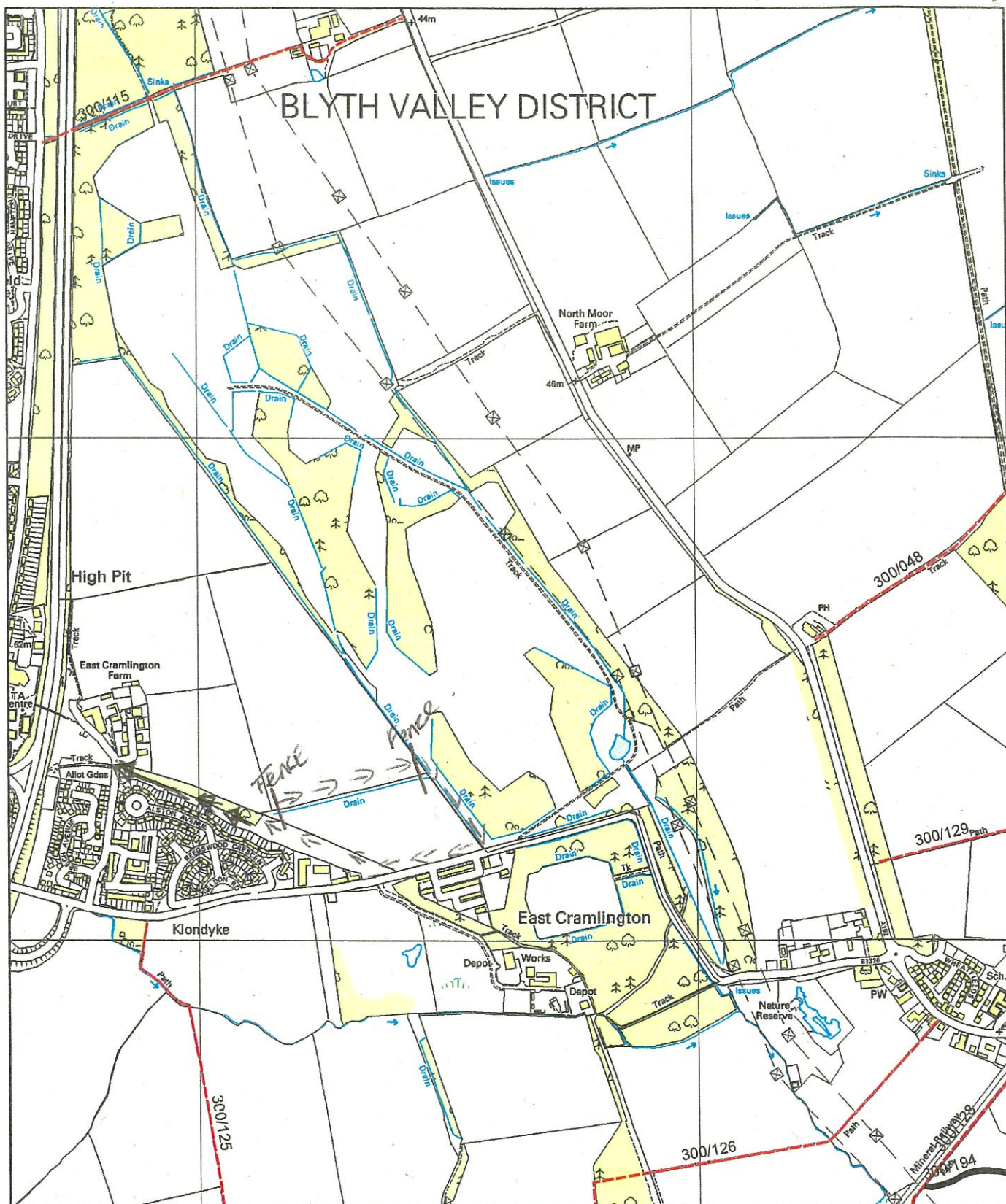
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Print full name: Diane Rossiter

Date: 30/6/2021

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Alleged Public Right of Way

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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name ABi WATSON

Address Beech Ave

..... Cramlington

Time at Address - 4yr Postcode NE23 6XS

Year of Birth 1979

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]

..... Evergreen Court Cramlington Village

..... High pit 5yr 10yr

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☒ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

This route, pathway has been used by people +
children & dogs. Since I remember which I used when
Lincoln livery stable yard was open.

The route is a grassy safe pathway to use whilst
walking.

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From ~~1982~~ ¹⁹⁸⁴ To ^{Sept 2020}

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

.....

3. 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
On horseback						
By pedal cycle						
By car						
Other []						

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

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

.....

5. 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']

6-8 ft Varies along the way due to trees etc

6. 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

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

NO

How long were they in place?

✓

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

NO

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

fence + bales of hay sept 2020

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details

fence + bales of hay blocked the Pathway

9. 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")

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

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

1st fence 27sep 2nd fence with signs 24th May 2021

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

walkers & walkers with dogs on leads also children.

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

.....

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

Since dates of fencing have appeared.....
1st fence 27th Sep 2nd fence 24th May 2021

15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

.....
.....

16. 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

.....
.....

Other Information

17. 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

.....
.....
.....

18. 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 believe this should be used by public as a safety concern as having to continue walking along a very busy narrow pathway to access the nature reserve is & has been potential risk to all those concerned i.e. young children, parents with children, dog walkers & walkers, general public & doesn't present into the logic of why we now have the access to use this route.

19. 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?

☐ No

☒ Yes

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

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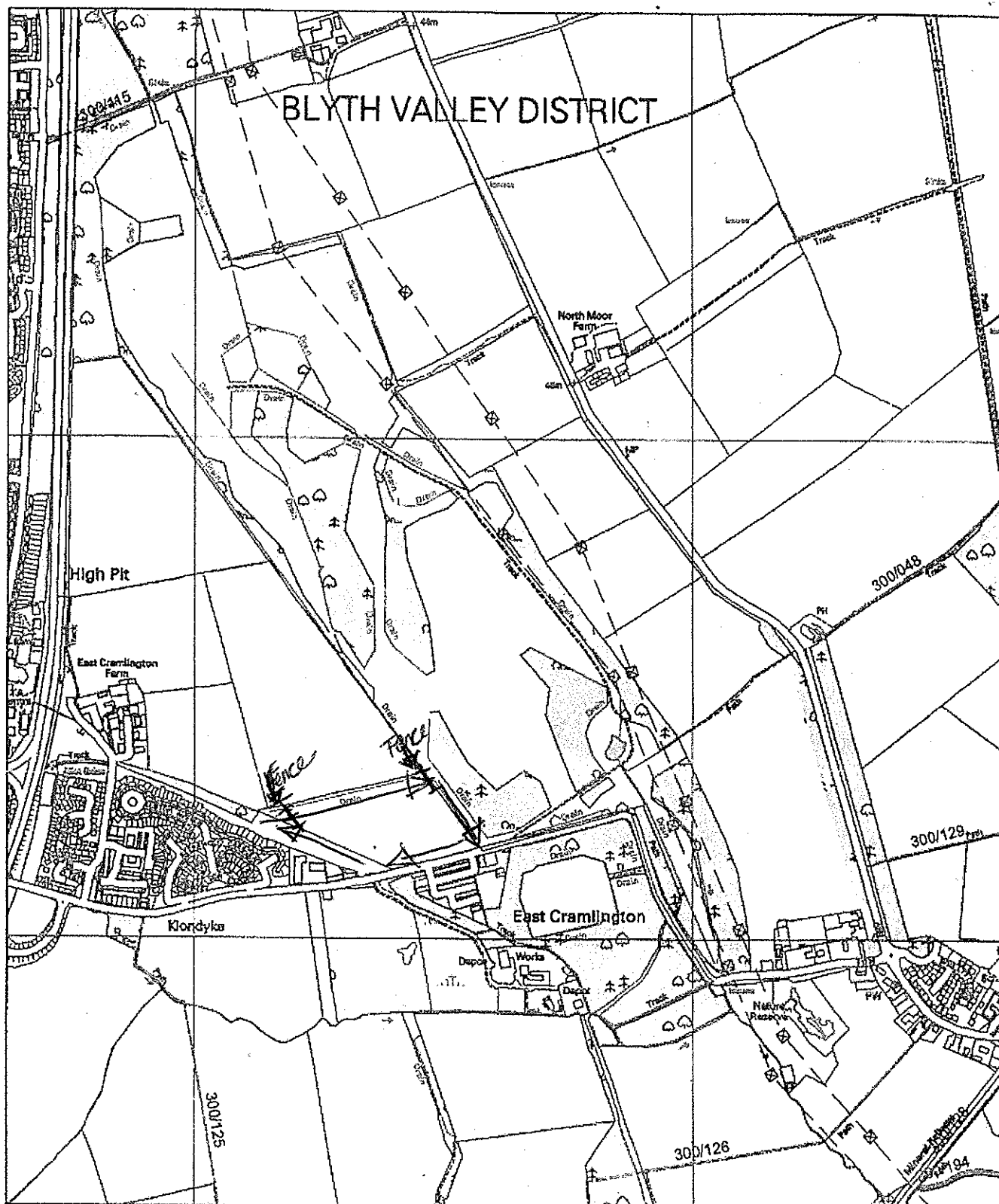
ABI WATSON

Date:

5 JULY 2021

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Alleged Public Right of Way

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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name MAUREEN RAILTON

Address 3A THE PADDOCK

..... CRANLINGTON

..... N Postcode NE236XR

Year of Birth 19-7-1949

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

.....

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☒ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

..... ROUTE STARTS OPPOSITE COUNCIL ESTATE[#] BESIDE ALTON

..... COURT CARE TO BEGINNING OF NATURE RESERVE

..... AS INDICATED ON MAP

..... * ALTON AVENUE, REEDSWOOD CRESSENT

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From 1985 To 2021

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

BETWEEN YEAR 2003/4 DUE TO ACCIDENT

PREVENTING USING ROUTE

3. 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
On horseback	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
By pedal cycle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
By car	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other []	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

Route not altered, fencing erected

5. 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 - 4 metres

6. 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

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

No

How long were they in place?

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

No

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

Fence erected 27/9/20 yes one north

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

☒ No

Yes

If yes, please give details

9. 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")

☐ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

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

24 May fence erected with signs stating private property

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

General public using a walkway

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

.....

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

.....

.....

15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

YES, END OF MAY TALKING TO PEOPLE WHO HAVE
BEEN PREVENTED

16. 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

.....

.....

Other Information

17. 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

.....

.....

.....

18. 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]

HAVE USED THE SAID ROUTE FOR 36 YEARS WALKING.....

MY DOGS HAVE NEVER BEEN STOPPED OR PREVENTED.....

FROM USING IT.....

19. 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?

☒ No

☐ Yes

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

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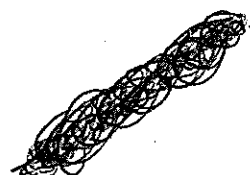
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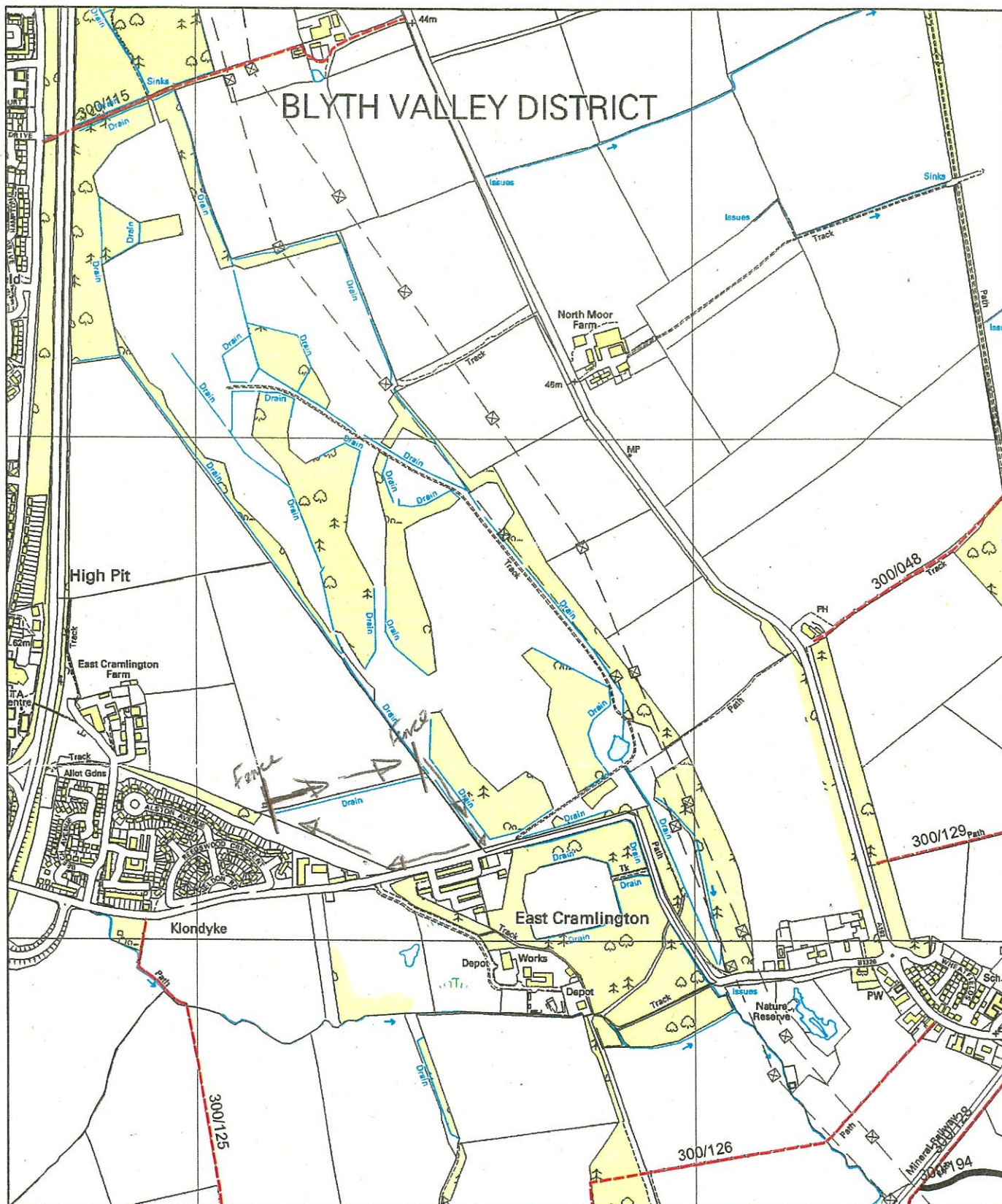
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Alleged Public Right of Way

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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name John Wilken Hall
Address Broadway House Farm
..... Church Lane Bealington
..... Bealington Postcode NE22 5RS
Year of Birth 1961

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]

..... Holwell North Farm Holwell Village
..... 1961 - 1998

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☒ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

..... Alongside Drain in Sand Field
.....
.....
.....

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 1987 To 2014

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

.....

3. 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				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
On horseback						
By pedal cycle						
By car						
Other []						

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

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

.....

5. 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']

1.5 Meters

6. 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

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

Stile on west end of Field

How long were they in place?

6 years

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

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

☒ No

Yes

If yes, please give details

9. 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")

☐ Yes

☐ Don't know

☒ No

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

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

Yes Dog Walkers

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 then a tenant / licensee of any such owner?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, provide details and dates

Tenant of Said Land

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

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

Owner

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

.....

15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

Last Year by new tenant

16. 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

Rented land for hay crop

Other Information

17. 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

18. 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]

19. 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?

☐ No

☒ Yes

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

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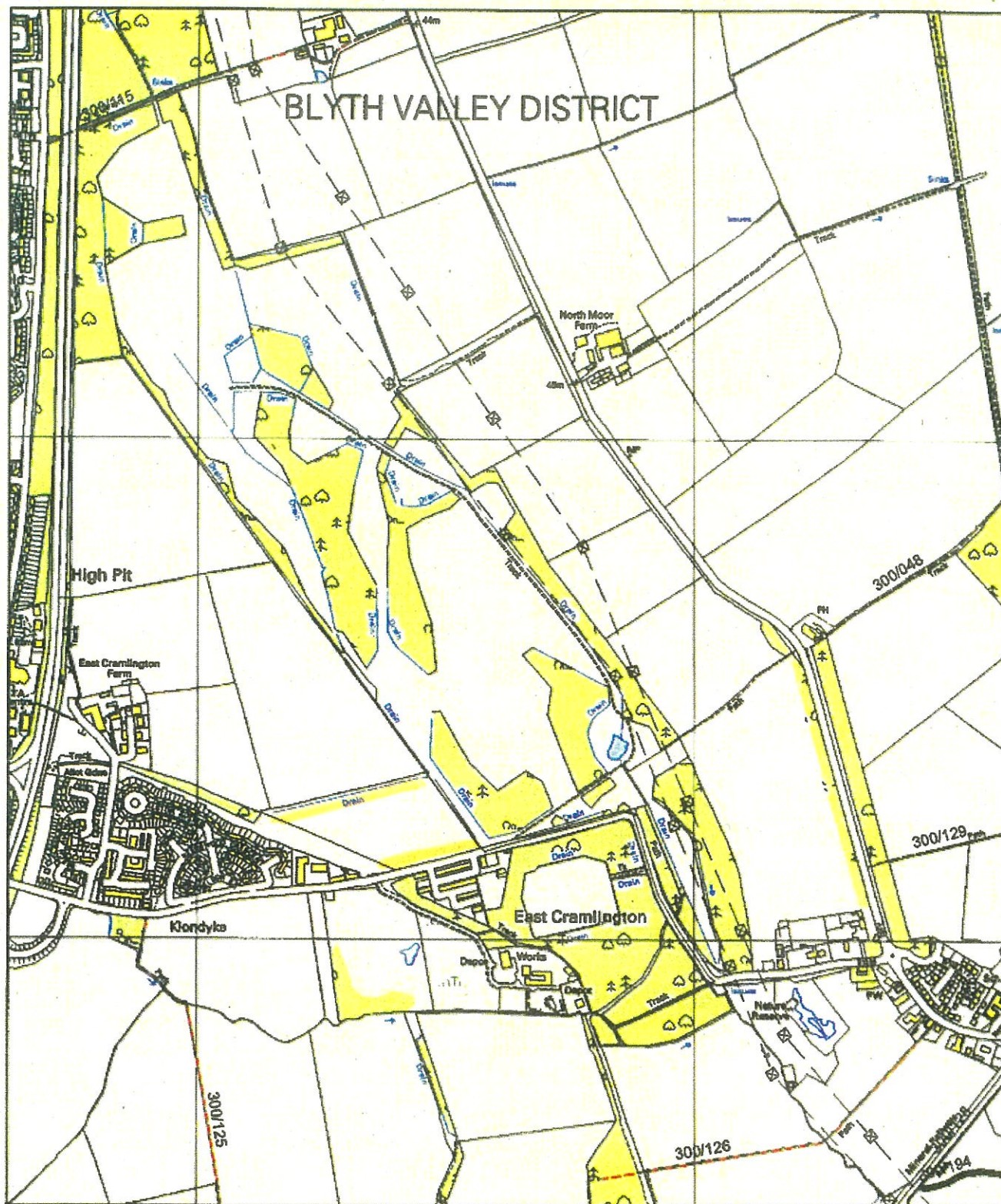
John William Hall

Date:

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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name KEN SCHOOLING

Address 67 BEECH AVENUE

THE PASTURES, CRAMLINGTON

NORTHUMBERLAND Postcode NE23 6XS

Year of Birth 1962

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]

1 MARJORIE ST, EAST CRAMLINGTON

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☒ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

The path starts behind Beeds Wood Ave
& ends in the nature reserve
see map.

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From 1989 To PRESENT

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

N/A

3. 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 car						
Other []						

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

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

5. 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']

2m

6. 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

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

.....

How long were they in place?

.....

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

.....

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

fence & barriers

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

☒ No

Yes ☒

If yes, please give details

only recently when the fence was erected

9. 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")

☐ Yes

☐ Don't know

☒ No

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

.....

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

People with dogs & general public out walking

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

.....

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

.....

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15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

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16. 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

.....

.....

Other Information

17. 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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18. 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 being open enables walkers
avoid taking the path along the main
road to the nature reserve

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19. 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?

☐ No

☐ Yes

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

☐ No

☐ Yes

PART F: Statement of Truth
(all applicants must complete this Part)

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Signature (of the person making the statement of truth):

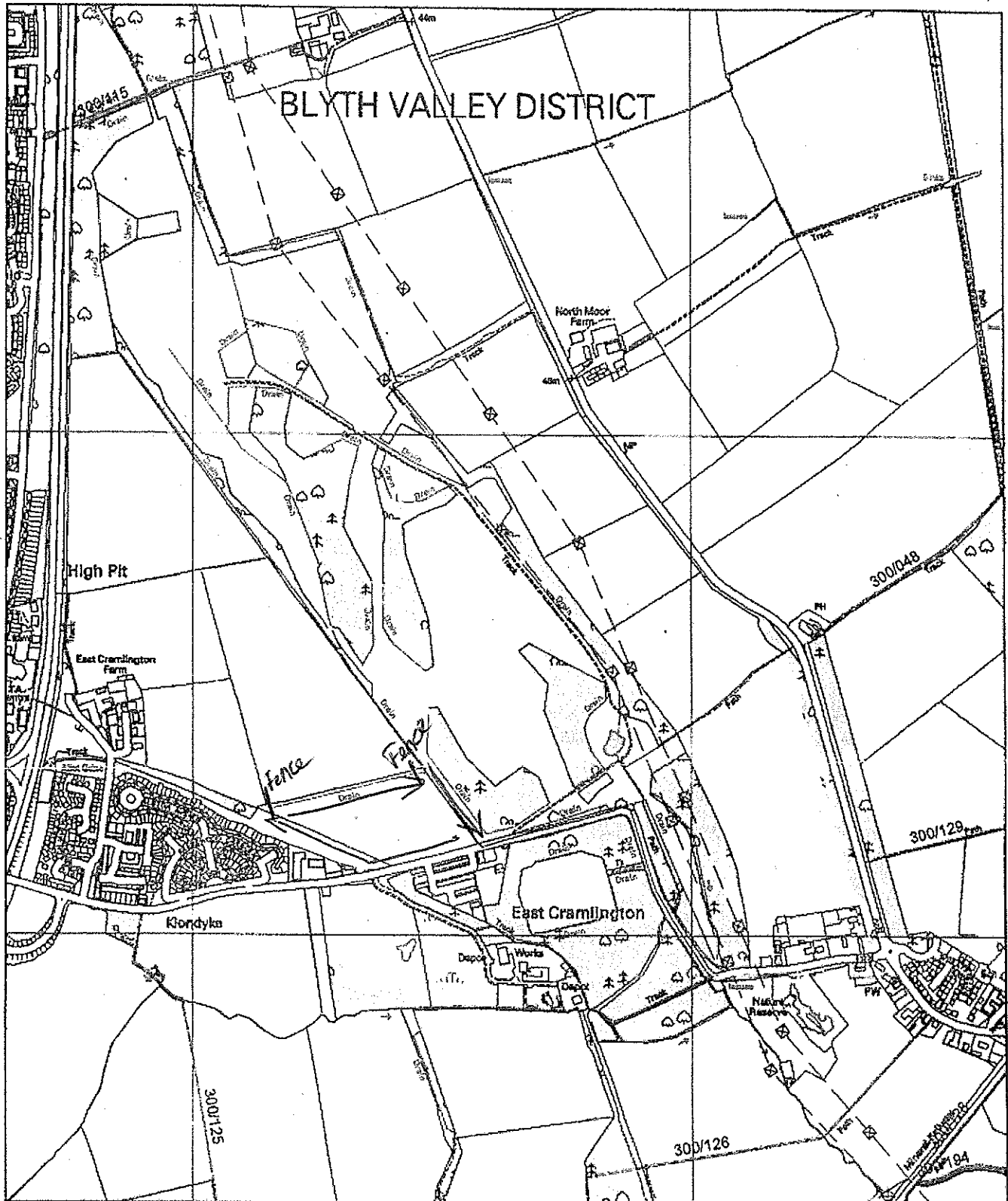


Print full name: **KEN SCHOOLING**

Date: **6/7/21**

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Alleged Public Right of Way

Former District	Blyth	Parish	Seaton Valley	Scale	NTS
Def. Map. No.	174	O.S. Map	NZ27NE	Date	June 2021

PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name Denina Caminos

Address 12 Reedwood Crescent

Cramlington NE

Postcode NE23 6RW

Year of Birth 1984

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 - 48 ~~RASTON~~ AASTINGS STREET Cram

S3 ALENS Green Cram

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☒ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

Following the track from the East Cramlington
allotment behind Reedwood Crescent,
As the track (backlane) opens to an open
grassed area walk down the bank to
the left and follow the track along the
hedge row.

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From ~~1990~~ 1990 To ~~2000~~ 2020

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. 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 car						
Other []						

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

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

5. 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']

1.5 - 2 metres

6. 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

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

NO. Rocks at the far end of the track

How long were they in place?

20 yrs.

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when – and show on your map]

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

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

☒ No

Yes

If yes, please give details

9. 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")

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

from April/may 2020

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

Entrance & Exit of track

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

Several members of local community

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

..... Current signage displayed

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

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15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

..... Other local residents who have been
..... prevented from using the route

16. 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

.....

.....

Other Information

17. 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

..... Photographs

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.....

18. 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]

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19. 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?

☐ No

☒ Yes

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

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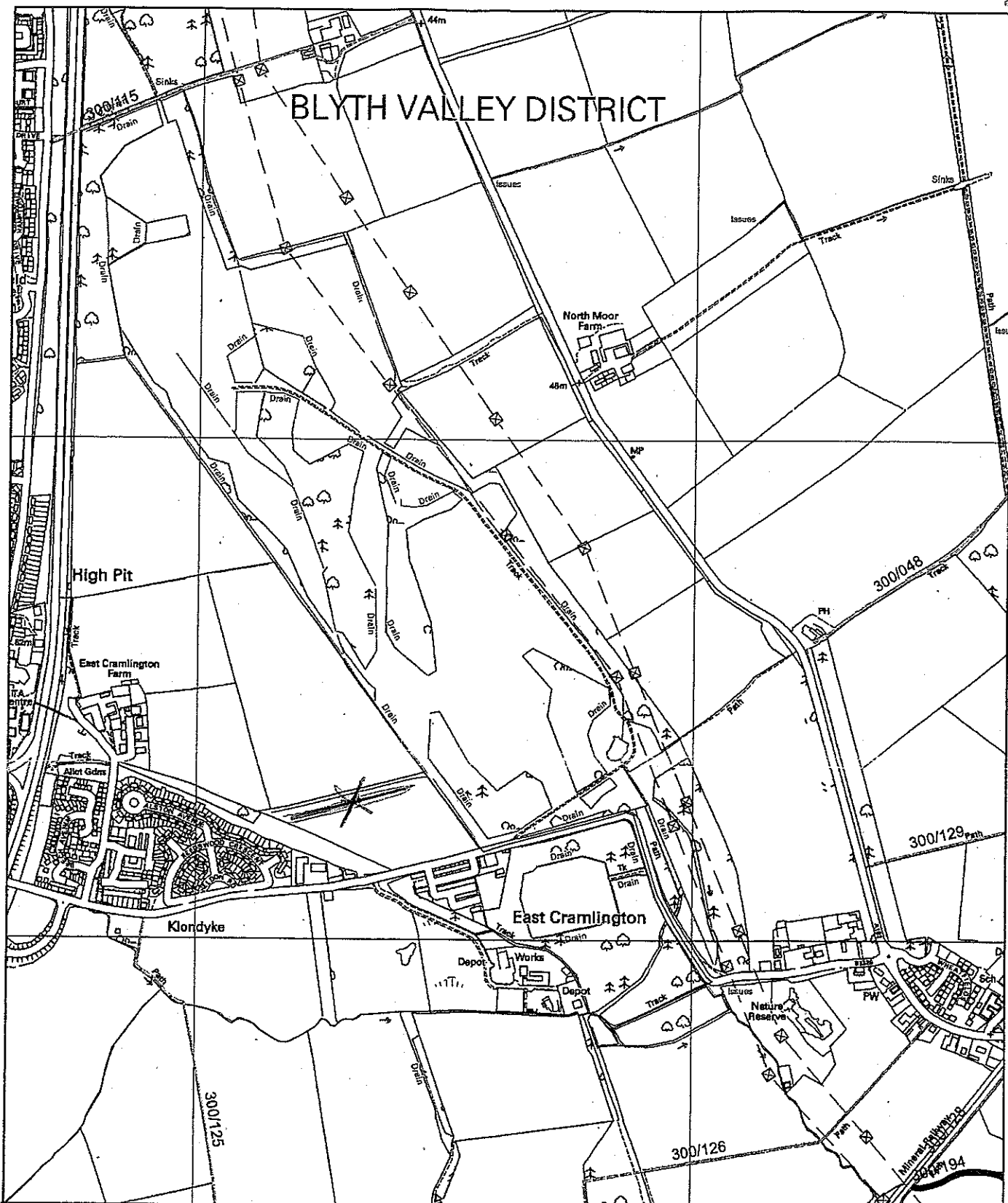
Donna Coomus

Date:

7/8/21

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Alleged Public Right of Way

Former District	Blyth	Parish	Seaton Valley	Scale	NTS
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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name VALERIE WOODS

Address 43 CARLCROFT PLACE

COLLINGWOOD GRANGE

CRAMLINGTON Postcode NE236EL

Year of Birth 1946

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

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☒ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

PATHWAY BEHIND ASTOR COURT
SURROUNDING THE HORSES FIELD
FROM EAST CRAMLINGTON TO
NATURE RESERVE

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From 1998 To 2021

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. 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
On horseback						
By pedal cycle						
By car						
Other []						

4. 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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5. 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']

2m

6. 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 SOIL

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

N.O.

How long were they in place?

N.O.

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

N.O.

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

FENCE SEPT 2020 FOR AROUND 1 MONTH

8. Did any of the above prevent you from using the application route?
BAILS OF HAY OCT 2020 NEW FENCE MAY 2021

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details

ONLY SINCE NEW FENCE WENT UP MAY 2021
BLOCKING PATHWAY

9. 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")

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

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

ONLY RECENTLY WHEN NEW FENCE WENT UP

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

- RAMBLERS WALKING
FAMILY'S AND DOG WALKERS GOING TO NATURE
RESERVE

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

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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

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.....

15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

PEOPLE WALKING DOGS AND WALKERS.....
AROUND THE AREA TALKED ABOUT BEING TURNED
AWAY FROM THE PATH MAY 2021

16. 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

.....
.....

Other Information

17. 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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18. 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 PATHWAY IS THE SAFEST WAY TO
NATURE RESERVE WITH DOGS & CHILDREN
AND SHOULD BE MADE A RIGHT OF WAY
THE ALTERNATIVE NOW BEING THE MAIN
ROAD CUTTING THROUGH CAR PARK

19. 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?

☒ No

☐ Yes

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

☒ No

☐ Yes

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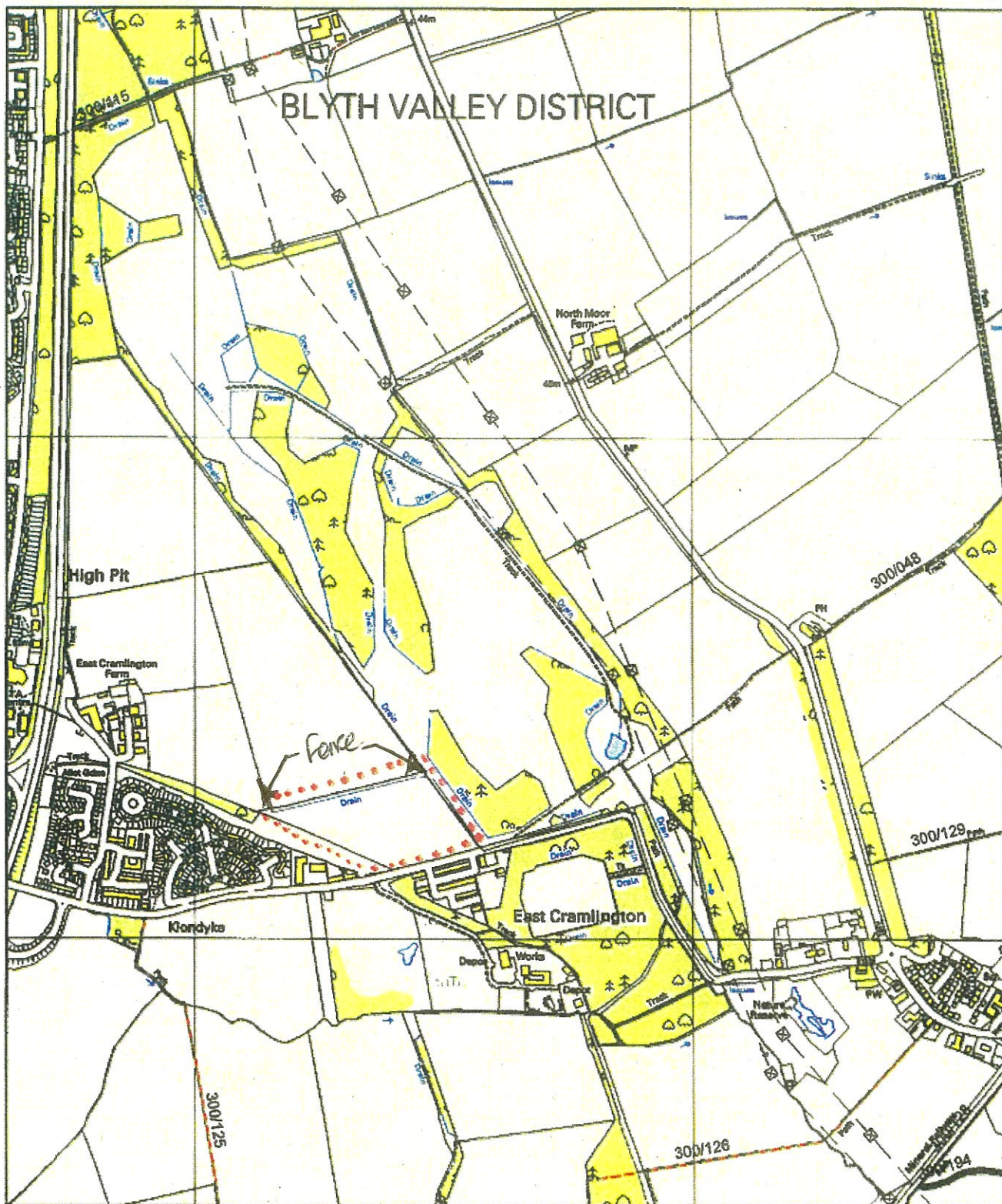


Print full name: **MRS VALERIE WOODS**

Date: **4/8/21**

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— Alleged Public Right of Way

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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name TREGNA HANCILL

Address 61 BEECH AVE

CRANLINGTON

Postcode NE23 6XS

Year of Birth 5th 1973

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]

25 yrs. 64, BEECH AVE

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☐ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☒ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

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MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From 201998 To NOW

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

No, only if blocked off

3. 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 car						
Other []						

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

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

Horses – restricted access

5. 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']

1m

6. 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
.....
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7. Have there ever been any of the following on the application route?

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

NO
.....

How long were they in place?

.....

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

NO
.....

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

wire bamcade, plus hay stack
.....

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

☐ No

Yes

If yes, please give details

Access cut off
.....

9. 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")

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

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

Near hay stack
.....

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

WALKERS
.....

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

.....

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

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15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

.....

.....

- 16. 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

[illegible]

Other Information

17. 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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.....

- 18. 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 has been used by myself
e children to access beautiful
areas on my local area

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19. 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?

☐ No☒ Yes

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

☐ No

☐ ~~Yes~~

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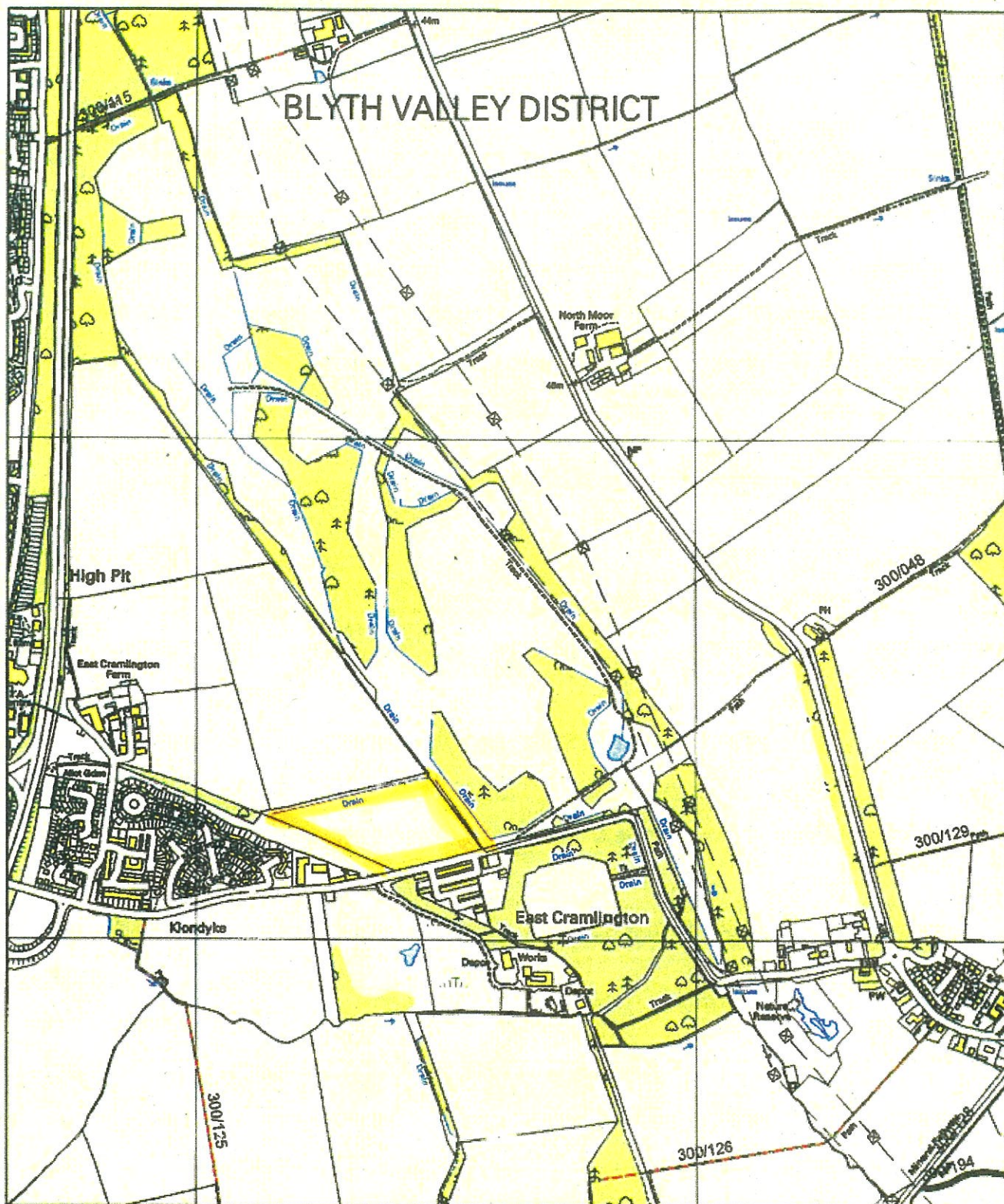
TREENA HANCU

Date:

14th Aug 2021

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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name ALBERT WOODS

Address 43 CARLCROFT PLACE

COLLINGTONWOOD GRANGE

CRANLINGTON Postcode NE23 6EY

Year of Birth 1948

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

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☒ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
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- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

PATHWAY BEHIND ASTOR COURT

SURROUNDING THE HORSES FIELD

FROM EAST CRANLINGTON TO

NATURE RESERVE

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From 1998 To 2020

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. 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
On horseback	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
By pedal cycle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
By car	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other []	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

.....

5. 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

6. 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

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

NO

How long were they in place?

NO

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

NO

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

FENCE SEPTEMBER 2020 FOR AROUND 1 MONTH
BARS OF HAY OCT 2020 NEW FENCE MAY 2021

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details

NEW FENCE COMPLETELY BLOCKING PATHWAY

9. 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")

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

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

ONLY SINCE NEW FENCE WENT UP MAY 2021

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

DOG WALKERS AND FAMILYS GOING TO NATURE RESERVE

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

.....

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

.....
.....

15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

PEOPLE WALKING AND DOG WALKERS
AROUND THE AREA TALKED ABOUT BEING
TURNED AWAY FROM THE PATH MAY 2021

16. 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

.....

.....

Other Information

17. 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

.....

.....

.....

18. 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 PATHWAY HAS BEEN USED BY THE
PUBLIC FOR MANY YEARS AND SHOULD
BE MADE A RIGHT OF WAY PATH.
IT IS THE SAFEST WAY TO WALK WITH
DOGS AND CHILDREN. THE ONLY ALTERNATIVE
NOW IS THE MAIN ROAD CUTTING THROUGH
CAR PARK.

19. 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?

☒ No

☐ Yes

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

☒ No

☐ Yes

PART F: Statement of Truth
(all applicants must complete this Part)

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Signature (of the person making the statement of truth):



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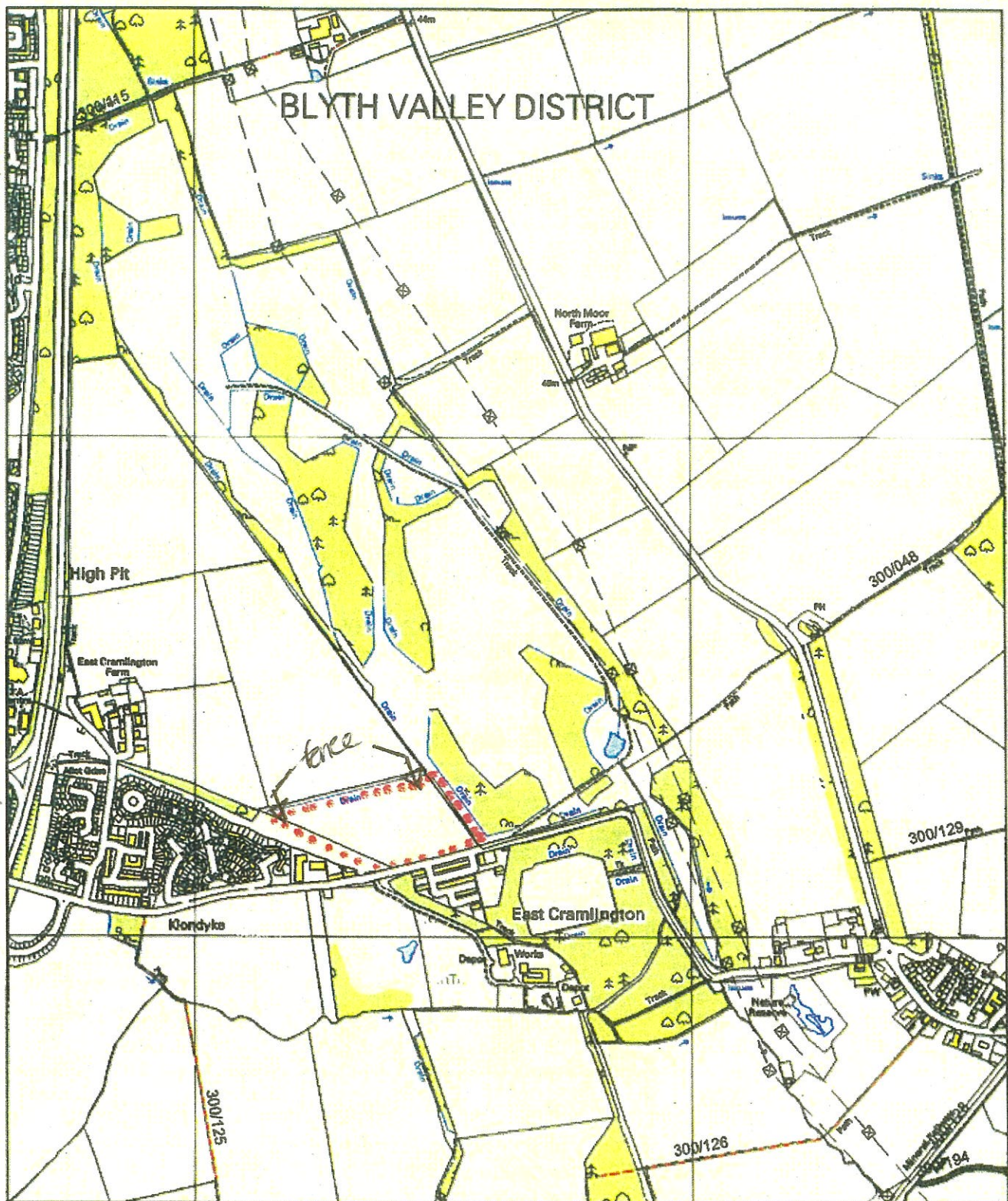
ALBERT WOODS

Date:

7/8/21

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 Alleged Public Right of Way

Former District	Blyth	Parish	Seaton Valley	Scale	NTS
Def. Map. No.	174	O.S. Map	NZ27NE	Date	June 2021

PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name MARK PORTER

Address 61 BEECH AVE

CRAMLINGTON

Postcode NE23 6XJ

Year of Birth 1971

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]

23yrs 69 BEECH AVE

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☐ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☒ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

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MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From 1999 To now

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

only when prevented by
new fences - blocking access

3. 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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
On horseback						
By pedal cycle		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
By car						
Other []						

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

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

only if prevented by haystack
or fences (newly erected)

5. 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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6. 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 mainly

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

No

How long were they in place?

—

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when – and show on your map]

—

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

wire, hay stack

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

☐ No

Yes

If yes, please give details

prevented access - stated private (sc) car of a wood

9. 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")

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

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

only recently – near hay stack

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

walkers, dog walkers, cyclist

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

.....

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

Because of an obstruction
.....
.....

15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

.....
.....

16. 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

.....

.....

Other Information

17. 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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18. 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]

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19. 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?

☐ No

☐ Yes

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

☐ No

☐ Yes

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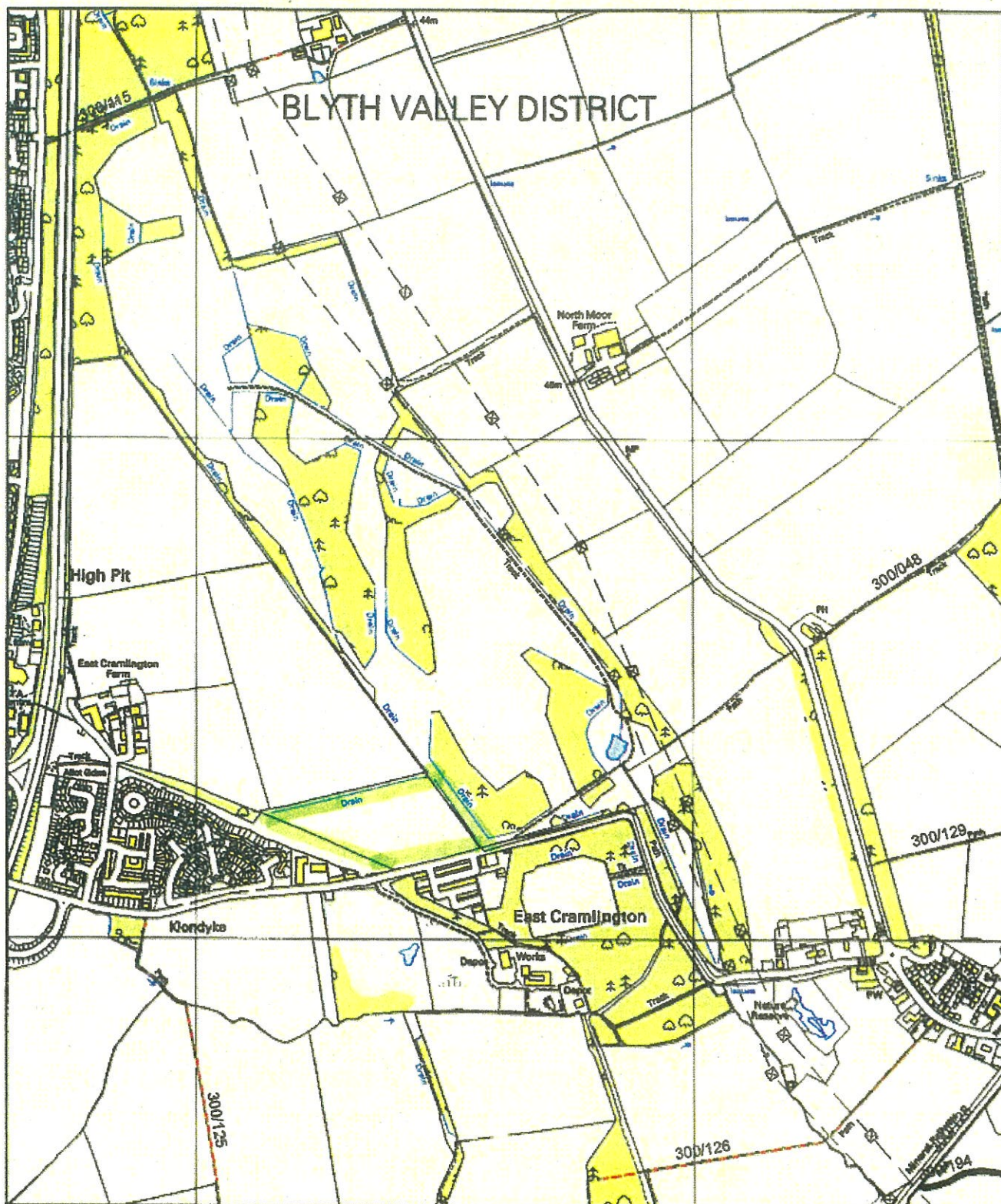
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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name NICOLA TAYLOR
Address 15 MERGANSER CRES
..... BARLEY MEADOWS
..... CRAMLINGTON Postcode NE23 6FF
Year of Birth 1971

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]

..... Other address in Cramlington - 2000 - 2018
.....

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☒ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

START MARKED WITH A END B
.....
..... ROUTE BETWEEN REEDSWOOD CRES AND NATURE
..... RESERVE - AT BACK OF HORSE FIELD
.....

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From 2000 To EARLY 2021

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

NOT USED VERY OFTEN BETWEEN 2000 AND 2018
LIVED OTHER END OF CRAMLINGTON SO WAS USED
MAYBE ONCE A MONTH BETWEEN THOSE YEARS.

3. How did you use the application route and how often? [Please tick any that apply] THEN I
USED IT 2-3 TIMES A WEEK FROM 2018 TO EARLY 2021

	Daily	Weekly 2-3 times	Monthly	Every few months	Once a year	Other (please describe)
On foot		✓ 2018 2021	✓ 2000 2018.			
On horseback						
By pedal cycle						
By car						
Other []						

4. 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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5. 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']

I GUESS IT IS ABOUT 7ft wide -
comfortable to walk single file.

6. 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

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

How long were they in place?

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

Early 2021 wooden + metal gates - 1 2 on map

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

Big bales of hay were placed either end 1 2 on map.
2020

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details

could not get by gates to use route

9. 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")

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

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

when the gate appeared early 2021

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

lots of dog walkers use route to get to nature reserve

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

.....

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

only when gate appeared early 2021 -
could not pass.

15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☒ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

only once gates appeared in early 2021 -
other dog walkers would discuss.

16. 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

.....

.....

Other Information

17. 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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.....

.....

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

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As long as I have used route there has been no signs of 'no entry or private land' up. People seem to use route with respect ie: keeping dogs on leads passing horses and keeping it free from rubbish.

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☒ No

☐ Yes

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

☒ No

☐ Yes

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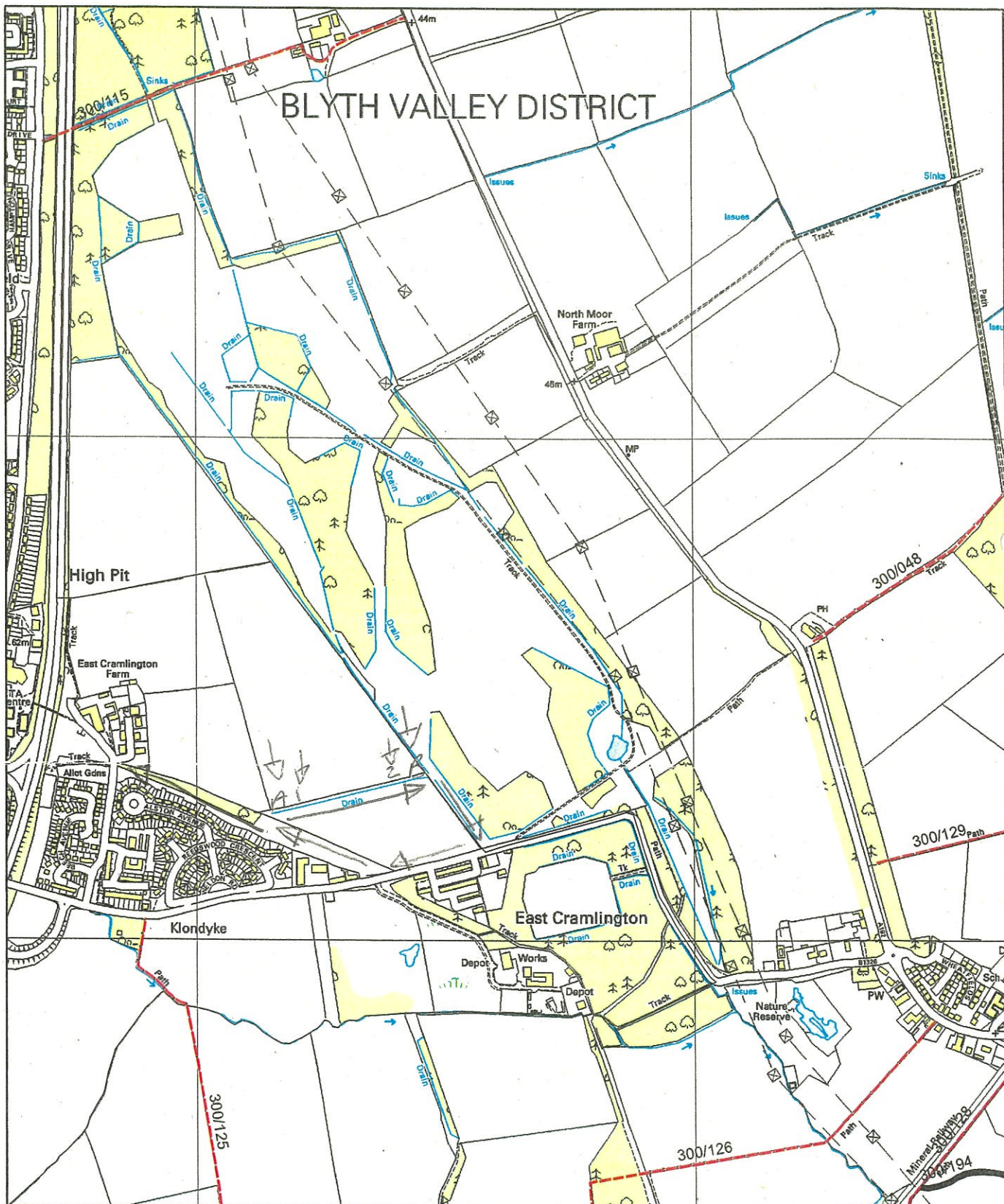
NICOLA TAYLOR

Date:

29-JUNE 2021

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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name KEVIN JOHN YOUNG

Address 59 BEECH AVENUE, THE PASTURES, EAST
CRAMLINGTON, NORTHUMBERLAND.

Postcode NE23 6XS

Year of Birth 1959

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]

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☐ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☒ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

I LEAVE BEECH AVENUE TURNING LEFT ON TO
LANER COST PARK. I THEN TURN RIGHT INTO
THE ARBOURETUM. I FOLLOW THE PATH TO THE END
OF THE ARBOURETUM TO THE COUNTRY PARK.

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From ...2001..... To ...PRESENT DAY.....

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

.....

.....

3. 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 car						
Other []						

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

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

.....

.....

5. 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']

DON'T KNOW NEVER MEASURED IT.

WIDE ENOUGH TO PASS OTHERS.

6. 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 AND EARTH

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

X

How long were they in place?

X

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

X

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

NONE

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

☒ No

Yes

If yes, please give details

9. 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")

☐ Yes

☐ Don't know

☒ No

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

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

I MEET OTHER DOG WALKERS DAILY.

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

.....

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

.....
.....

15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

.....
.....

16. 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

.....
.....

Other Information

17. 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 WALKED THIS PATH FOR OVER 21
YEARS WITHOUT HINDERANCE.
.....

18. 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 USE THIS ROUTE TO KEEP AWAY FROM THE
BUSY ROAD. I AM UNSTEADY ON MY FEET
AND ON OCCASION FALL OVER. WERE I
TO DO THAT ON THE ROAD I AM AT RISK
OF SERIOUS INJURY OR EVEN DEATH
.....

19. 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?

~~☒~~ No

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☒ Yes

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

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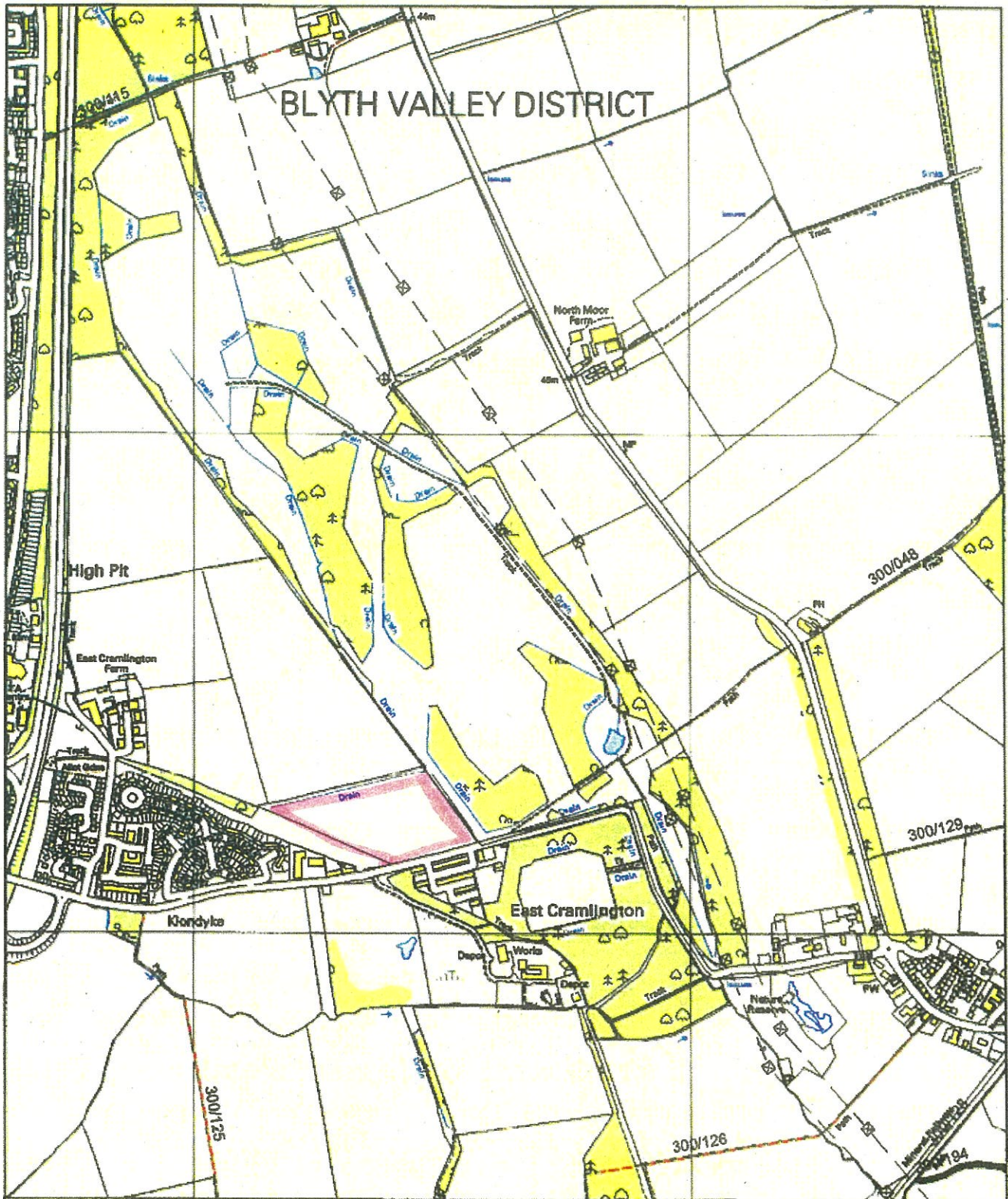
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Print full name: **KEVIN JOHN YOUNG**

Date: **15/08/2021**

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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name CARROL YOUNG

Address 59 BEECH AVENUE, THE PASTURES,
EAST CRAHLINGTON, NORTHUMBERLAND

Postcode NE23 6XS

Year of Birth 1958

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

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

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Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

FROM BEECH AVENUE, TURN LEFT INTO
LANER COST PARK. THEN TURN RIGHT INTO
THE ARBOURETUM. THEN FOLLOW THE PATH TO
THE COUNTRY PARK.

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 2001 To PRESENT DAY

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. 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
On horseback	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
By pedal cycle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
By car	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other []	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

YOU COULD WALK THE WHOLE FIELD UNTIL THE FENCE WAS ERECTED FOR THE HORSES.

5. 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']

EASILY WIDE ENOUGH TO PASS OTHERS ON FOOT/HORSE/BICYCLE.

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

EARTH AND GRASS

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

NO

How long were they in place?

N/A

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

N/A

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

N/A

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

N/A ☐ No

Yes

If yes, please give details

9. 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")

☐ Yes

☐ Don't know

☒ No

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

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

I SEE OTHER DOG WALKERS AND CYCLISTS DAILY

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

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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

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15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

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16. 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

17. 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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18. 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 ALWAYS WALKED THIS ROUTE WITH
MY HUSBAND WHO IS UNSTEADY ON HIS
FEET. WALKING BY THE BUSY ROAD WOULD
BE UNWISE.

19. 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?

☐ No

☒ Yes

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

☒ No

☐ Yes

PART F: Statement of Truth
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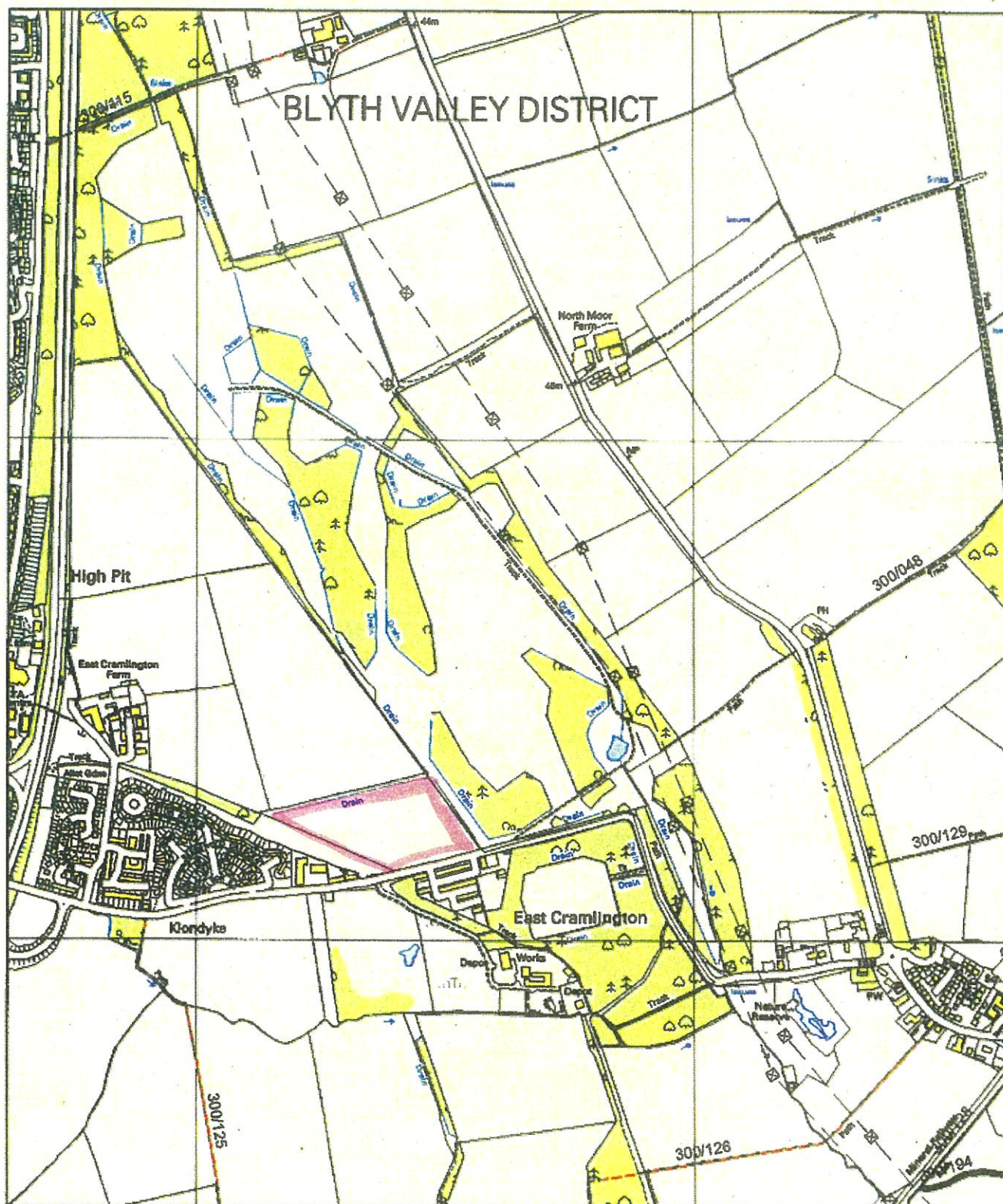


Print full name: LADY CAROL Young

Date: 15/08/21

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 Alleged Public Right of Way

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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name LINDA NOLAN

Address 18, LAMB STREET

EAST CRAMLINGTON

NORTHUMBERLAND Postcode NE23 6XF

Year of Birth 1956

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

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☒ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

FOOT PATH TO REAR OF FIELD OPPOSITE LAMB ST.

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From 2002 To PRESENT

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

APPROX LAST 6 MONTHS DUE TO BARRIERS
ERECTED BY TENNANT

3. 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
On horseback						
By pedal cycle						
By car						
Other []						

4. 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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5. 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']

1-5 METRES

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6. 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

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

NO

How long were they in place?

N/A

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

NO

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

RECENTLY BY TENNANT

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details

TENNANT ERECTED BARRIERS EACH END OF THE PATH

9. 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")

☐ Yes

☐ Don't know

☒ No

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

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

THIS IS A VERY POPULAR ROUTE BETWEEN CRAMLINGTON
AND EAST CRAMLINGTON 4 RESERVATION

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

RECENTLY BY THE TENANT

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

RECENTLY BY TENANT WHO THREATENED MY
HUSBAND WITH VIOLENCE. THERE WERE NO SIGNST BARRIERS
HAD BEEN MOVED

15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

A LOT OF PEOPLE RECENTLY WHO REGULARLY USE
THIS PATH FOR LEISURE

16. 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

17. 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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NORTHUMBERLAND FOOTPATH MAPS SHOW FOOTPATHS ALL
AROUND THE FIELD
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18. 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]

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THIS FOOTPATH FORMS PART OF A HISTORICAL NETWORK
OF PATHS FROM "MINING DAYS" SINCE THE PITS CLOSED
.....
THERE USE IS FOR LEISURE PURPOSES. A LOT OF PEOPLE
USE THIS ROUTE AND HAVE DONE FOR A NUMBER OF ~~DAYS~~ YEARS
.....
IT IS WRONG THAT A SIMPLE PLEASURE CANNOT BE
ENJOYED.
.....

19. 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?

☐ No

☒ Yes

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

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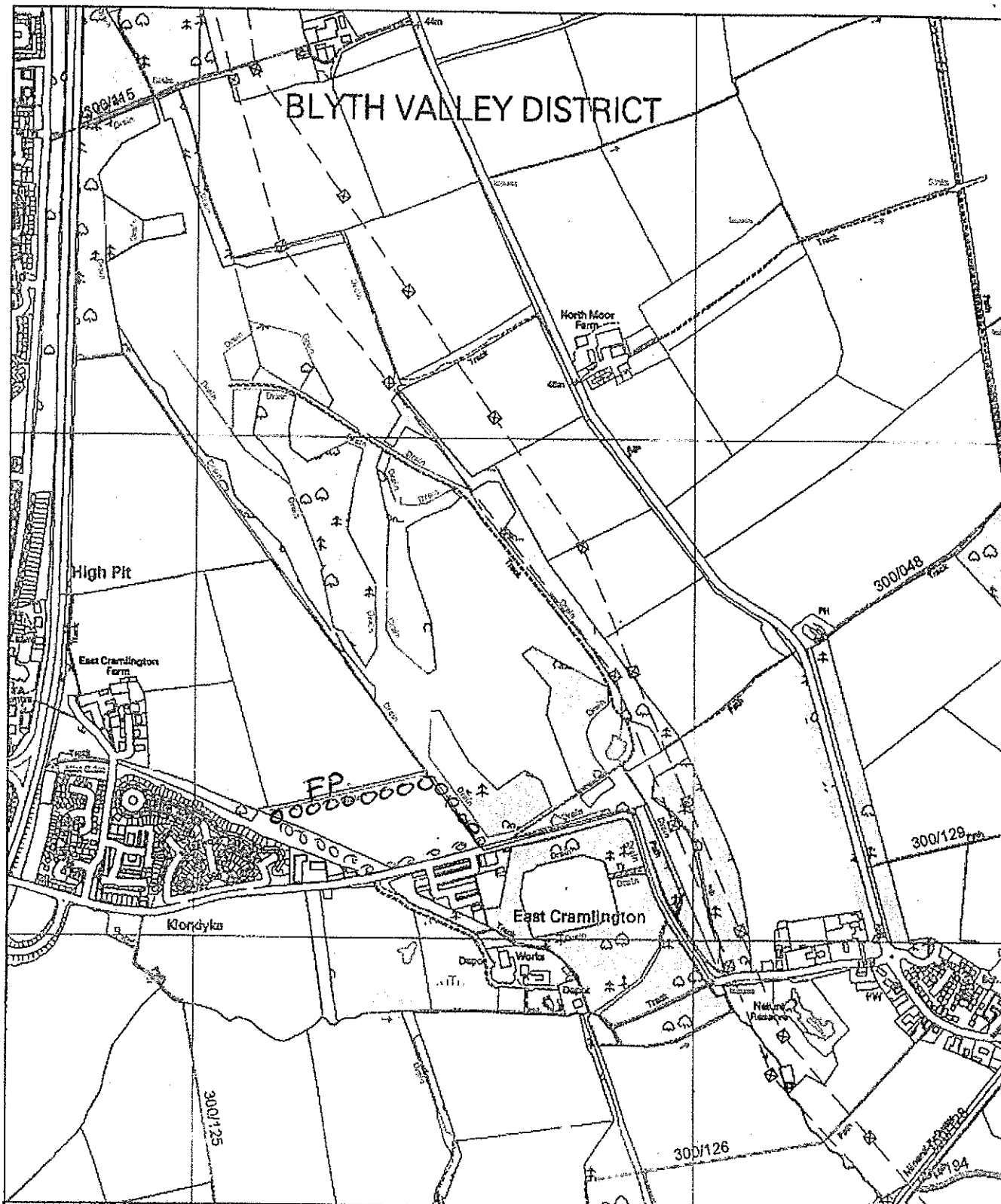


Print full name: LINDA NOLAN

Date: 09/07/2021.

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— Alleged Public Right of Way

FOOTPATH

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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name LAURA RENFREE

Address 51 HARTLEY SQUARE

..... SEATON SLICE

..... Postcode NE26 4BT

Year of Birth 1989

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]

28 Gainsborough Place, Cramlington 2010-2018

36 Wreay Walk, Cramlington 2003-2010

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☒ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

Access to the Nature reserve from surrounding housing estates from the Bridleway following the drain to the nature reserve as noted on map

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From 2003 To Present

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

N/A

3. 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 car						
Other []						

4. 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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5. 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']

Approx 2m

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6. 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

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

No

How long were they in place?

N/A

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

No

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

None until recent events of 2021 where they Bales were put there to stop access and then fences

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

☐ No

Yes ☒

If yes, please give details

The landowner / renters of field blocked either end of the path as above.

9. 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")

☐ Yes

☐ Don't know

☒ No

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

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

dog walkers, general public

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

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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

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.....

15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

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16. 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

17. 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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18. 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 should be a public footpath as not used by the renters of the field and using the narrow main path along the road is dangerous when walking with my 2 children and 2 dogs especially if other walker coming from the other direction also having to go through a busy car park with a blind corner.

19. 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?

☐ No

☒ Yes

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

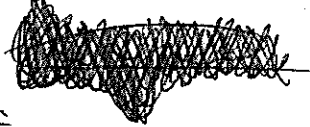
☐ No

☒ Yes

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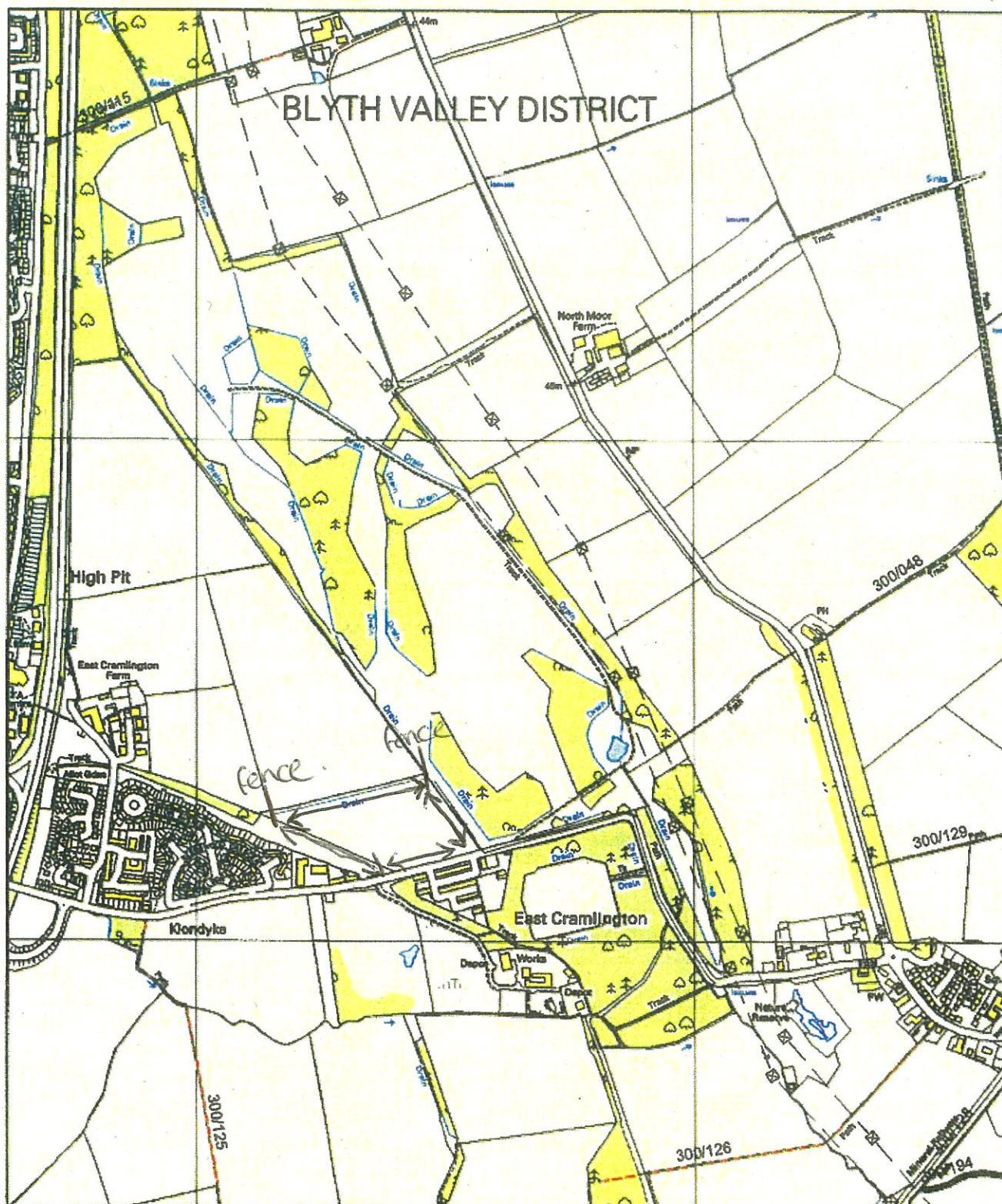


Print full name: LAURA RENFREE

Date: 7/7/21

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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name RUSSELL NOLAN

Address 18 LAUR STREET

EAST CRIMLINGTON

NORTHUMBERLAND Postcode NE23 6XF

Year of Birth 1963

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

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☒ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

FOOTPATH TO REAR OF FIELD OPPOSITE LAUR ST.

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From 2003 To PRESENT

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

APPROX LAST 6 MONTHS DUE TO BARRIERS
ERECTED BY TENNANT

3. 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
On horseback						
By pedal cycle						
By car						
Other []						

4. 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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5. 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']

1.5 METRES

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6. 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

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

NO

How long were they in place?

✓

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

NO

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

RECENTLY BY TENNANT

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details

TENNANT ERECTED BARRIERS EITHER END OF PATH

9. 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")

☐ Yes

☐ Don't know

☒ No

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

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

THIS IS A VERY POPULAR ROUTE BETWEEN CRAWLINGTON AND EAST CRAWLINGTON RESERVATION

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

RECENTLY TENANT

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

RECENTLY BY TENANT WHO THREATENED
ME WITH VIOLENCE!! NO SIGNS/BARRIERS HAD
BEEN MOVED

15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

RECENTLY BY A 'NUMBER' OF PEOPLE WHO
REGULARLY USE THE PATH FOR LEISURE

16. 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

17. 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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NORTHUMBERLAND FOOTPATH MAPS SHOW FOOTPATHS
AROUND THE FIELD
.....

18. 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 FOOTPATH FORMS PART OF A HISTORICAL NETWORK OF
PATHS FROM THE 'MINING DAYS' SINCE THE PITS
CLOSED THERE USE IS NOW FOR LEISURE PURPOSES.
THEY ARE VITAL TO THE AREA LINKING THE RESERVATION
WITH CRAMINGTON - THEY ARE VERY POPULAR
.....

19. 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?

☐ No

☒ Yes

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

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Print full name:

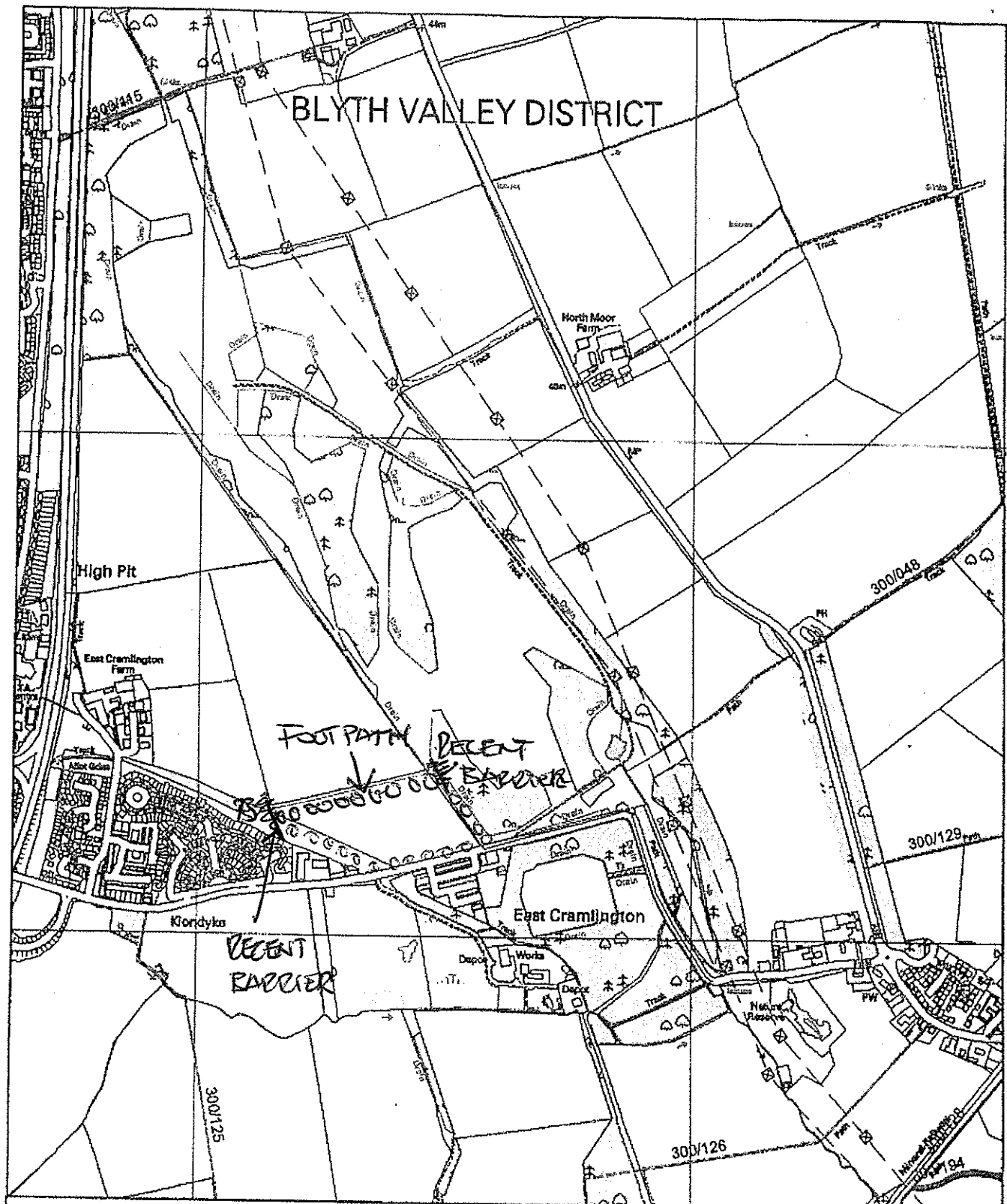
Russell Newman

Date:

08/07/2021

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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name ANDREW SCHOLEY

Address 85 BEECH AVENUE

CRAWLINGTON

NORTHUMBERLAND Postcode NE23 6XS

Year of Birth 1960

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

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☒ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

PATH IN FIELD RUNNING PARALLEL WITH B1326 NORTH OF
LAMB STREET. PATH FOLLOWS DITCH WEST TO EAST SEPARATING
FIELD FROM FARMERS FIELD. PATH STRETCHES FROM
EAST CRAWLINGTON NATURE RESERVE TOWARDS LAMERLOST ESTATE,
CAN BE SEEN CLEARLY USING GOOGLE MAPS

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 2007 To PRESENT

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

NO. USED DAILY OR WEEKLY

3. 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	X	X				
On horseback						
By pedal cycle						
By car						
Other []						

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

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

5. 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']

1.5M - 2.00M

6. 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

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

NO

How long were they in place?

—

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

NO

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

SOME LARGE ROCKS WITH CHAINS AT THE NATURE SITE END
TO PREVENT VEHICLES

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

☒ No

Yes

If yes, please give details

9. 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")

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

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

ONLY RECENTLY AFTER APP. 13 YEARS FREE ACCESS

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

FREQUENT WALKERS WITH CHILDREN AND PETS

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 then 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,

N/A

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

ONLY RECENTLY SINCE THE SIGNS WERE PUT UP

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

.....
.....

15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

.....
.....

16. 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

.....
.....

Other Information

17. 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

.....
STATEMENTS FROM USERS OF THE FOOT PATH
ENCLOSED WITH THIS APPLICATION
.....

18. 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]

WE HAVE USED THIS FOOT PATH SINCE 2007 TO
GAIN ACCESS TO THE NATURE RESERVE. THIS FOOT PATH
PROVIDES SAFE ACCESS AS IT PREVENTS WALKERS,
CHILDREN AND PETS HAVING TO USE THE NARROW
FOOT PATH ALONG THE B1326 WHICH IS USED BY
HEAVY LORRIES AND LARGE VEHICLES.

19. 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?

☐ No

☒ Yes

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

PART F: Statement of Truth
(all applicants must complete this Part)

I BELIEVE THAT THE FACTS AND MATTERS CONTAINED IN THIS STATEMENT ARE TRUE

Signature (of the person making the statement of truth):



Print full name:

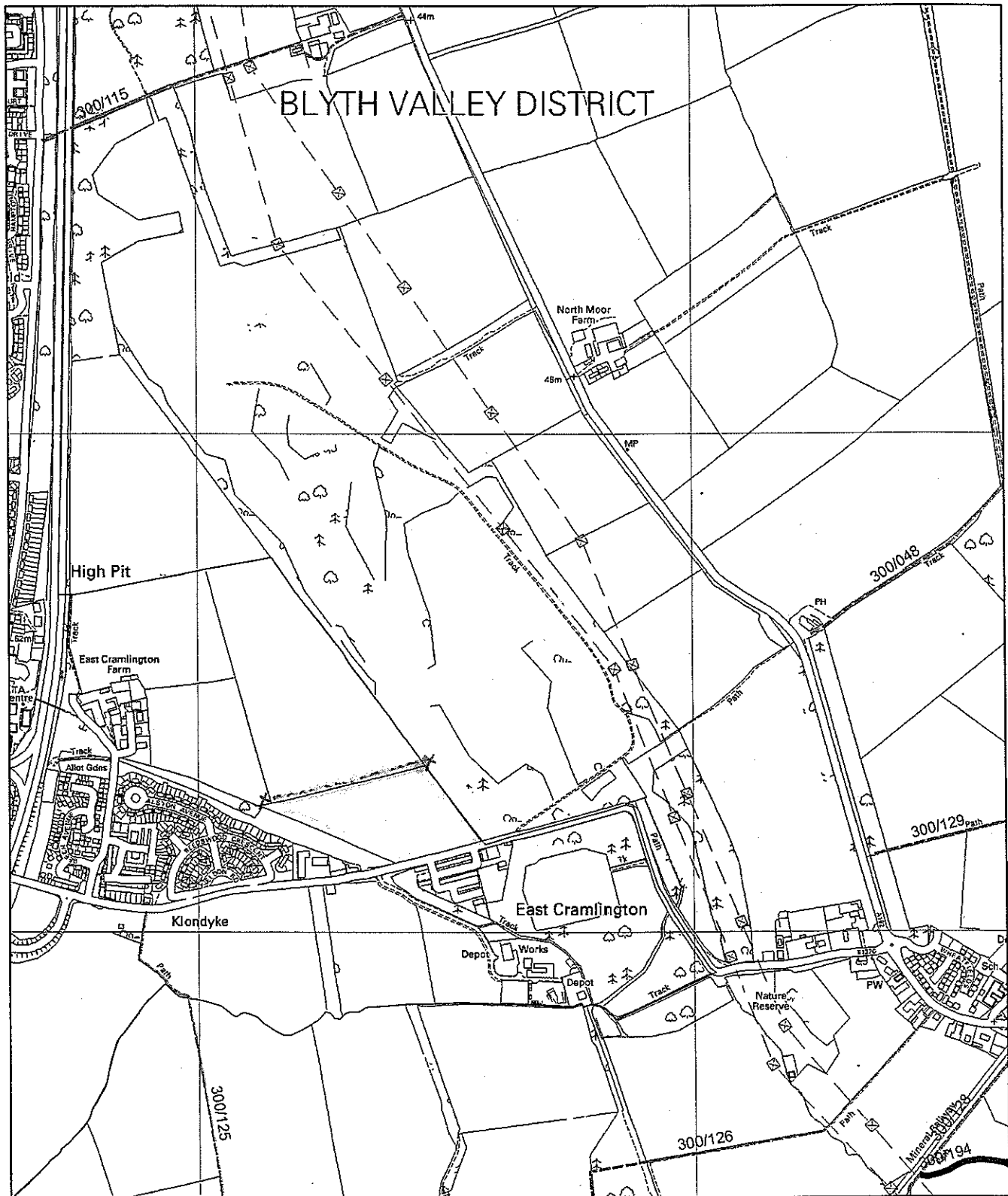
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Date:

30-11-2020

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Alleged Public Right of Way

Former District	Blyth	Parish	Seaton Valley	Scale	NTS
Def. Map. No.	174	O.S. Map	NZ27NE	Date	October 2020

PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name GRAHAM SUTTON

Address 28 ALSTON AVE

..... EAST CRAMLINGTON

..... Postcode NE23 6RP

Year of Birth 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]

..... No

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

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- ☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

..... FOOTPATH BEHIND THE HORSES FIELD AT

..... EAST CRAMLINGTON & FROM MY HOUSE TO

..... EAST CRAMLINGTON NATURE RESERVE

..... MARKED ON ATTACHED MAP

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From 2008 To 2020

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. 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
On horseback						
By pedal cycle						
By car						
Other []						

4. 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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5. 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

.....

.....

6. 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

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

No

How long were they in place?

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

No

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

BALE OF HAY HAS BEEN POSITIONED THERE

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details

BLOCKED THE PATHWAY

9. 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")

☐ Yes

☐ Don't know

☒ No

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

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

.....

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

.....

.....

15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

.....

.....

16. 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

.....

.....

Other Information

17. 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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.....

18. 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 USED THIS PATHWAY EVERY DAY FOR 13
YEARS AND NOW IT HAS BEEN BLOCKED OFF

.....

.....

.....

19. 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?

☐ No

☒ Yes

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

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(all applicants must complete this Part)

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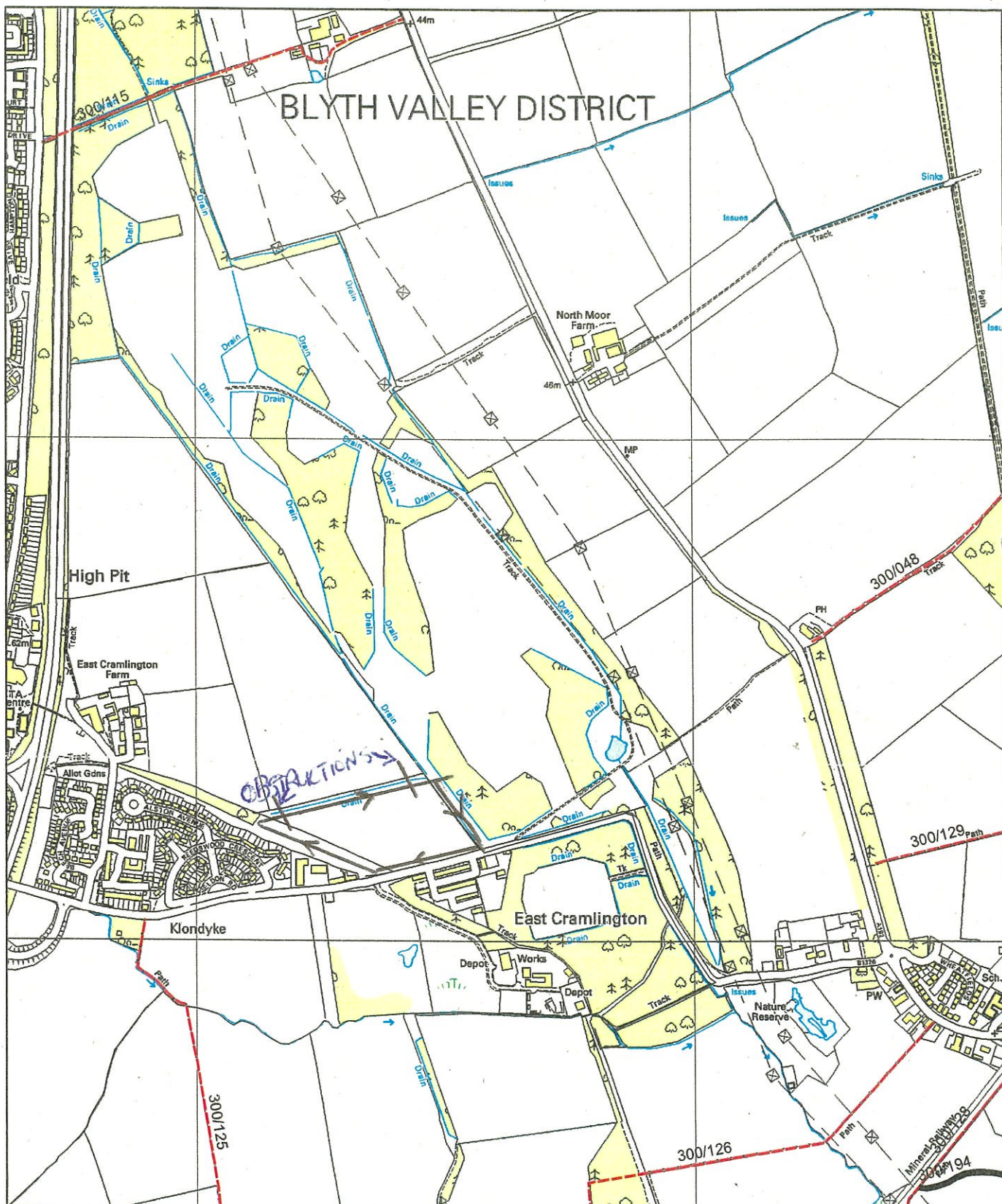


Print full name: GRAHAM SUTTON

Date: 22/7/21

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Alleged Public Right of Way

Former District	Blyth	Parish	Seaton Valley	Scale	NTS
Def. Map. No.	174	O.S. Map	NZ27NE	Date	June 2021

PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name Robin Pugh

Address 17 Crookham Way, Collingwood Grange

..... Cramlington, Northumberland

..... Postcode NE23 6HR

Year of Birth 12/9/1958

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]

.....

.....

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☒ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
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- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

..... From: OS Grid Ref: NZ 28147 76246 To: NZ 28466 76325

..... Path runs adjacent to a fenced field containing horses. On the other side

..... of the path is a small gulley separating the path from farmers fields. The

..... path links Lanercost Park to the East Cramlington Nature Reserve.

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From 2008 To 2021

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

.....

3. 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		X				
On horseback						
By pedal cycle						
By car						
Other []						

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

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

.....

5. 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']

It's between 1.5 to 2 mtrs along the length of the path with several

 passing places of around 3 mtrs.

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

Well trodden grass path

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

How long were they in place?

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

Path recently blocked by fencing (at both ends). Erected around May 2021.

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details

Path was barricaded then later fenced preventing access. Erected May 2021.

9. 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")

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

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

Signs stating "private land" and "CCTV monitoring" erected May 2021.

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

This is a very popular route. You nearly always see or pass other people while on the path.

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

.....

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

.....

.....

15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

.....

.....

16. 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

.....
.....

Other Information

17. 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

.....

.....Route is marked on walking maps (as permissible).....

.....See example attached (from <http://www.gps-routes.co.uk>).....

18. 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 route links Lanercost Park to the East Cramlington Nature Reserve. It is an
.....ideal route for people with dogs or young children as it allows access to the nature
.....reserve without the need to walk down the busy B1326 (which has a rather narrow
.....footpath). The location of the route has no other practical purpose and it's hard to
.....see why the current owner has suddenly blocked access after years of use.
.....

19. 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?

☐ No

☒ Yes

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

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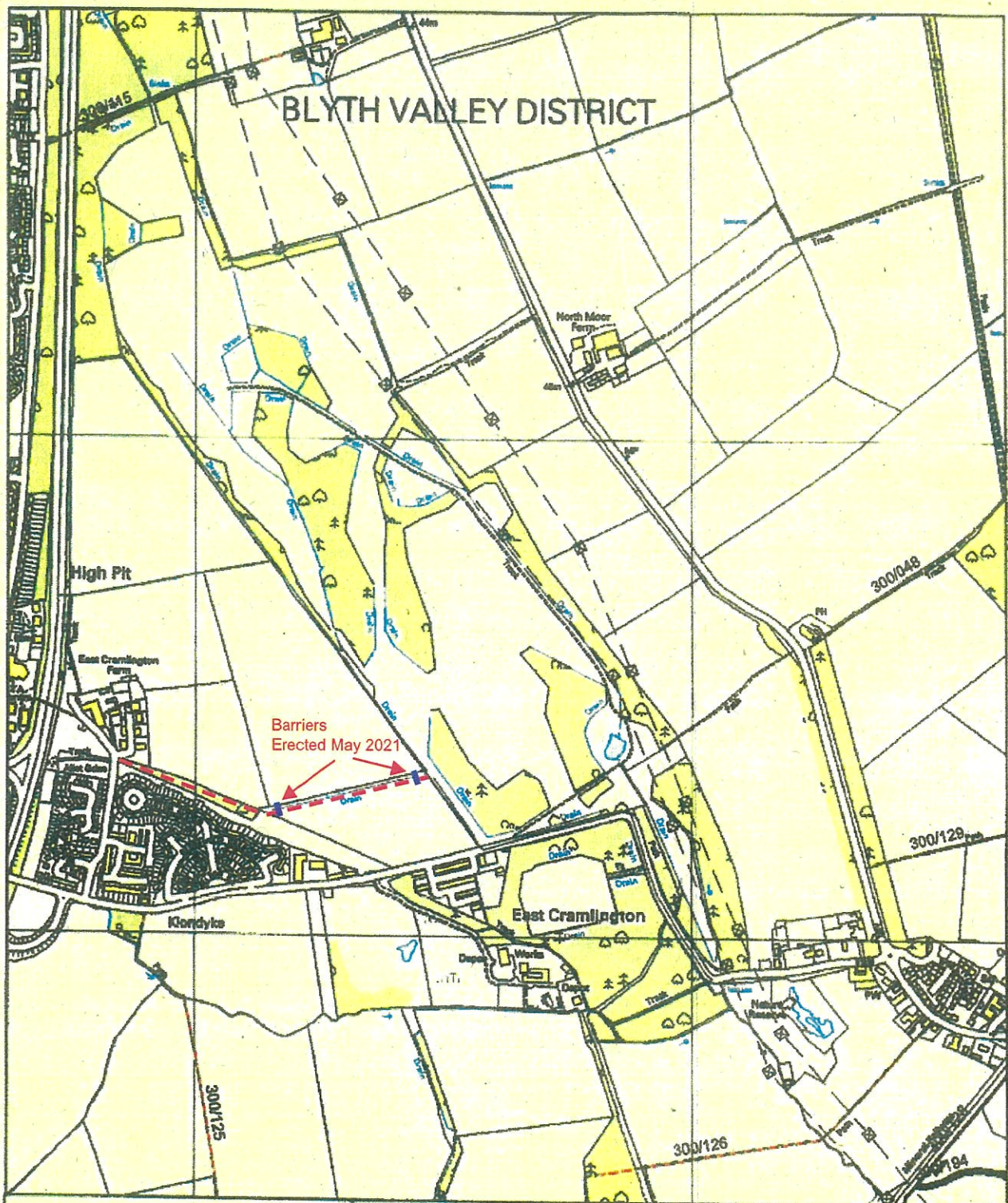
Robin Pugh

Date:

15th October 2021

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Walking map from gps-routes.co.uk showing path



Barriers erected around May 2021

PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name IAN WILSON

Address 106 CLIFTON ROAD

CRAMLINGTON

NORTHUMBRIA Postcode NE23 6TH

Year of Birth 1964

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

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

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- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

WOULD PARK AT CARPARK WALK UP

LEFT HAND SIDE GO ACROSS THE TOP

AND BACK DOWN RIGHT HANDSIDE

THEN GO ROUND EAST CRAMLINGTON NATURAL
PARK WITH DOGS

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From MARCH 2009 To PRESENT

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

.....

3. 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 car	✓					
Other []						

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

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

.....

5. 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']

.....

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

..... WAS GRASS ROUTE THEN IT WAS
..... EARTH GOING INTO NATURAL PART

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

..... NO JUST A FENCE
..... GOT PUT UP THAT STOP US USING
How long were they in place? IT

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

Fence to either end of Pathway 27th Sept 2020 to Oct 2021
Fence to either end of Pathway 24th May 2021 - Present

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

☒ No

Yes ☒

If yes, please give details

..... SIGNS AND FENCE SAYING WE CAN'T USE IT

9. 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")

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

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

WHEN IT GOT FENCED OFF ON 29 OCT 2020

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

..... WAS POPULAR TO DOG WALKERS

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

.....

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

.....
.....

15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

..... ONLY WHEN THE FENCE WENT
UP

16. 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

.....

.....

Other Information

17. 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

.....

.....

.....

18. 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]

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19. 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?

☐ No

☒ Yes

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

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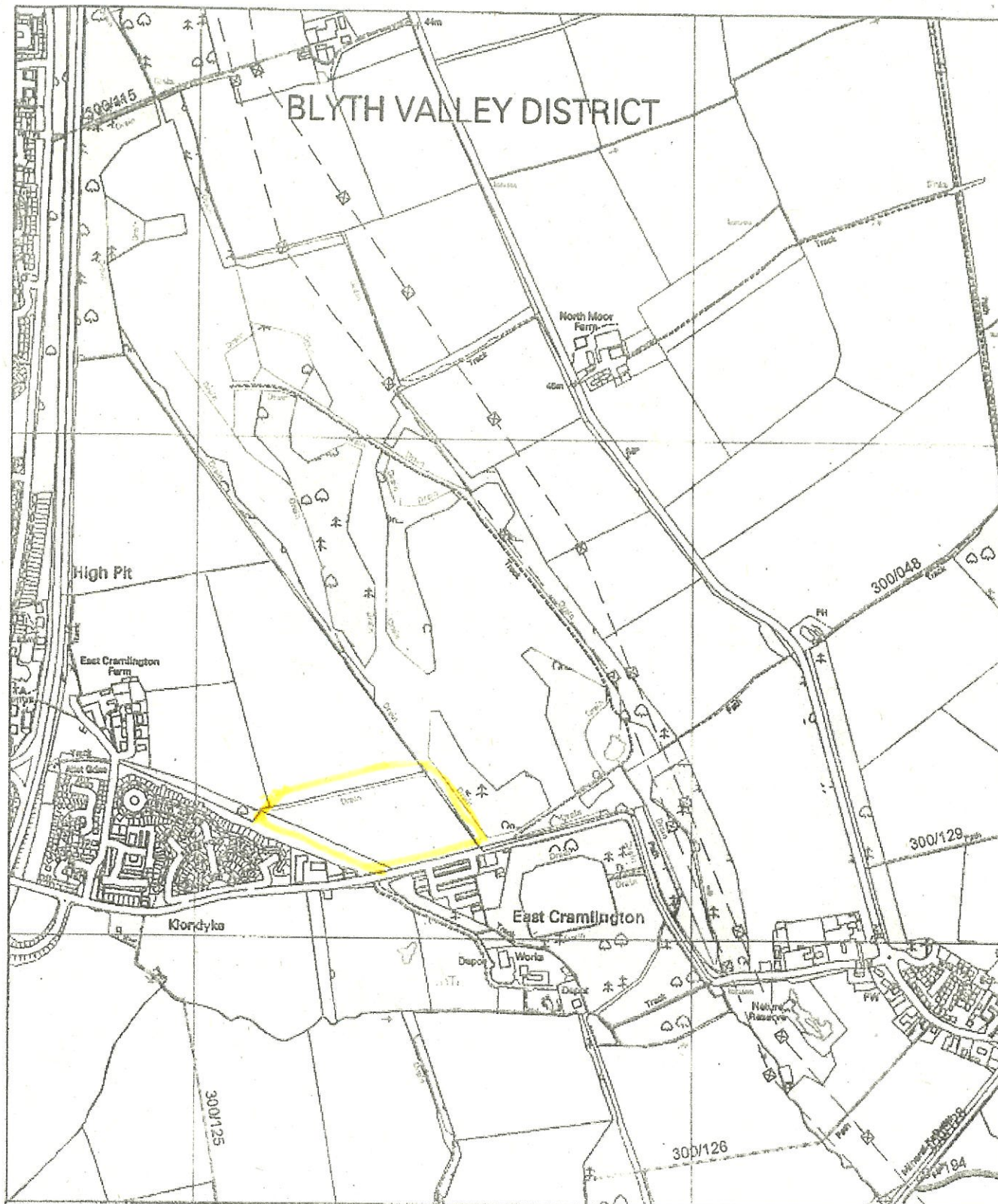


Print full name: *ZAN WILSON*

Date: *15/07/2021*

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Alleged Public Right of Way

Former District	Blyth	Parish	Seaton Valley	Scale	NTS
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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name EMMA DIXON

Address 21 THE CYPRESS EVERGREEN COURT

..... HIGH PIT CRAMLINGTON

..... Postcode NE23 6BT

Year of Birth 1979

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 2010 WHEATFIELDS NE25 0PZ

.....

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☒ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

..... AS OUTLINED ON MAP ATTACHED

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MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From 2010 - 2017 To Oct 2020 When fence put up!

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

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3. 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
On horseback						
By pedal cycle						
By car						
Other []						

4. 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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5. 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']

Approx 2m

6. 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

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

How long were they in place?

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

in place now - metal fence both sides

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

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details

9. 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")

☐ Yes

☐ Don't know

☒ No

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

until recently when metal fence went up oct 2020

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

dog walkers, walkers accessing nature reserve

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

.....

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

.....
.....

15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

a ckg walker advised not to go through route as owner had photo graphed & shared it person. Saying it is private land.

16. 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

.....

.....

Other Information

17. 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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18. 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]

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19. 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?

☐ No

☒ Yes

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

PART F: Statement of Truth
(all applicants must complete this Part)

I BELIEVE THAT THE FACTS AND MATTERS CONTAINED IN THIS STATEMENT ARE TRUE

Signature (of the person making the statement of truth):



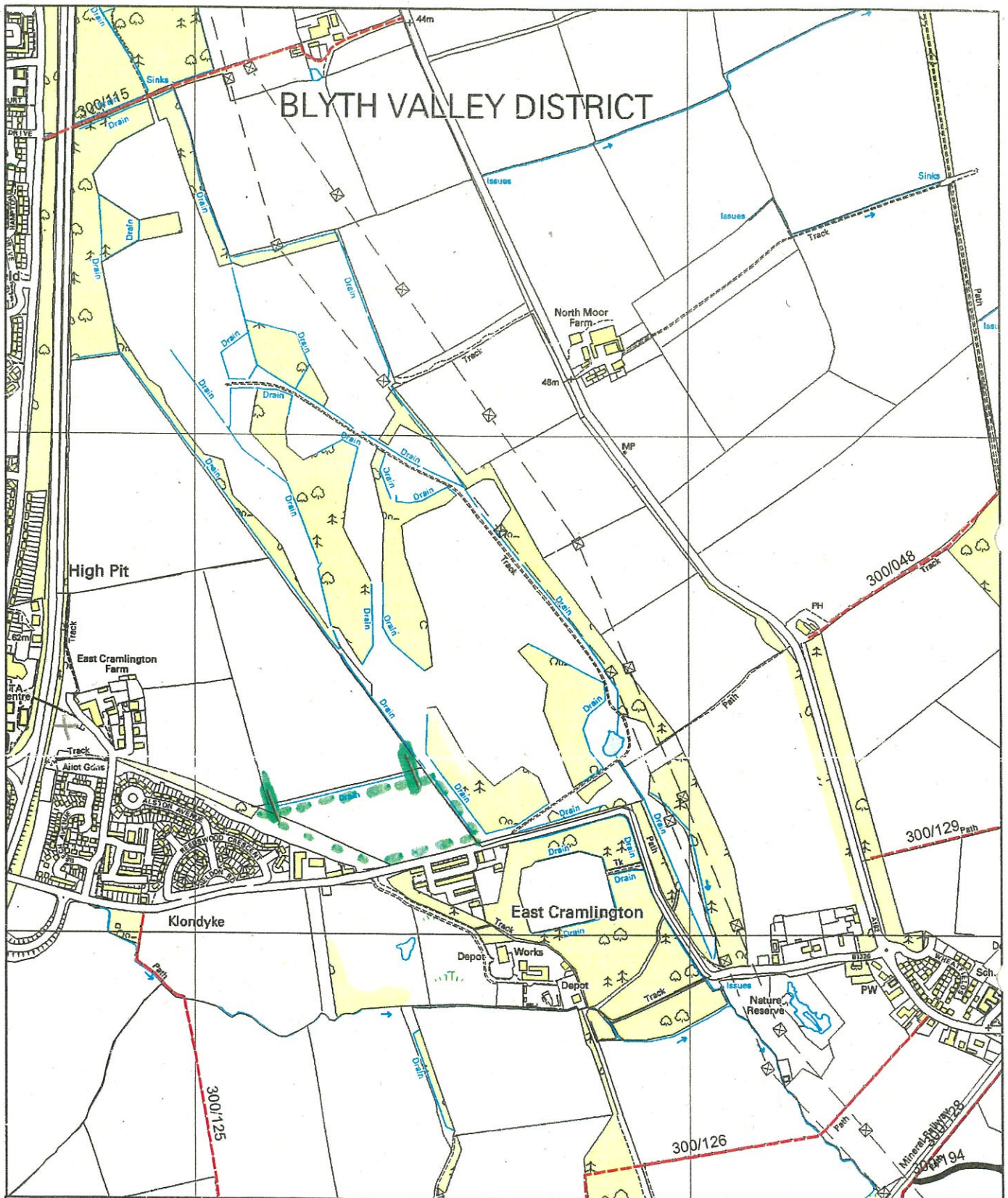
Print full name: EMMA DIXON

Date:

10/07/21

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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name Kris Bengtsson
Address 89 Beech Avenue
..... Cramlington
..... Northumberland Postcode NE23 6XS
Year of Birth 1987

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]

..... 41 Beech Avenue, Cramlington, NE23 6XS
..... 2012 - 2017
.....

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☒ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

..... The route is a footpath between the enclosed
..... horse field and a farmers field, leading down from
..... our estate to East Cramlington Nature Reserve.
..... See map attached
.....

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From 2012 To 2021

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

Yes, Autumn/Winter 2020 → present as
owners have put up a fence, which is blocking the route.

3. 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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
On horseback						
By pedal cycle						
By car						
Other []						

4. 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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.....

5. 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']

The route is approximately 3-4 metres wide.

6. 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

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

How long were they in place?

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

Fence, put up Autumn 2020, still there blocking the route

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

☐ No

Yes ☒

If yes, please give details

The route is currently blocked by a fence, Previously always clear.

9. 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")

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

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

Nothing at all until the fence was put up. Now says 'Private' CCTV in Operation

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

Absolutely, many people have been walking up and down for years.

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

.....

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

.....
.....

15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☒ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

.....
.....

16. 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

.....
.....

Other Information

17. 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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.....
.....

18. 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 route has been enjoyed by everyone in the area, with no obstructions or any indications or signs of it being anything other than a public^{walk} way. This has been the case for as long as we have known. The only other way to the nature reserve is along an extremely narrow walk next to the main road. Impossible and dangerous with children.

19. 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?

☐ No

☒ Yes

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

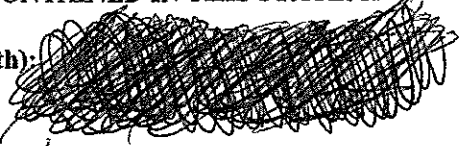
☐ No

☐ Yes

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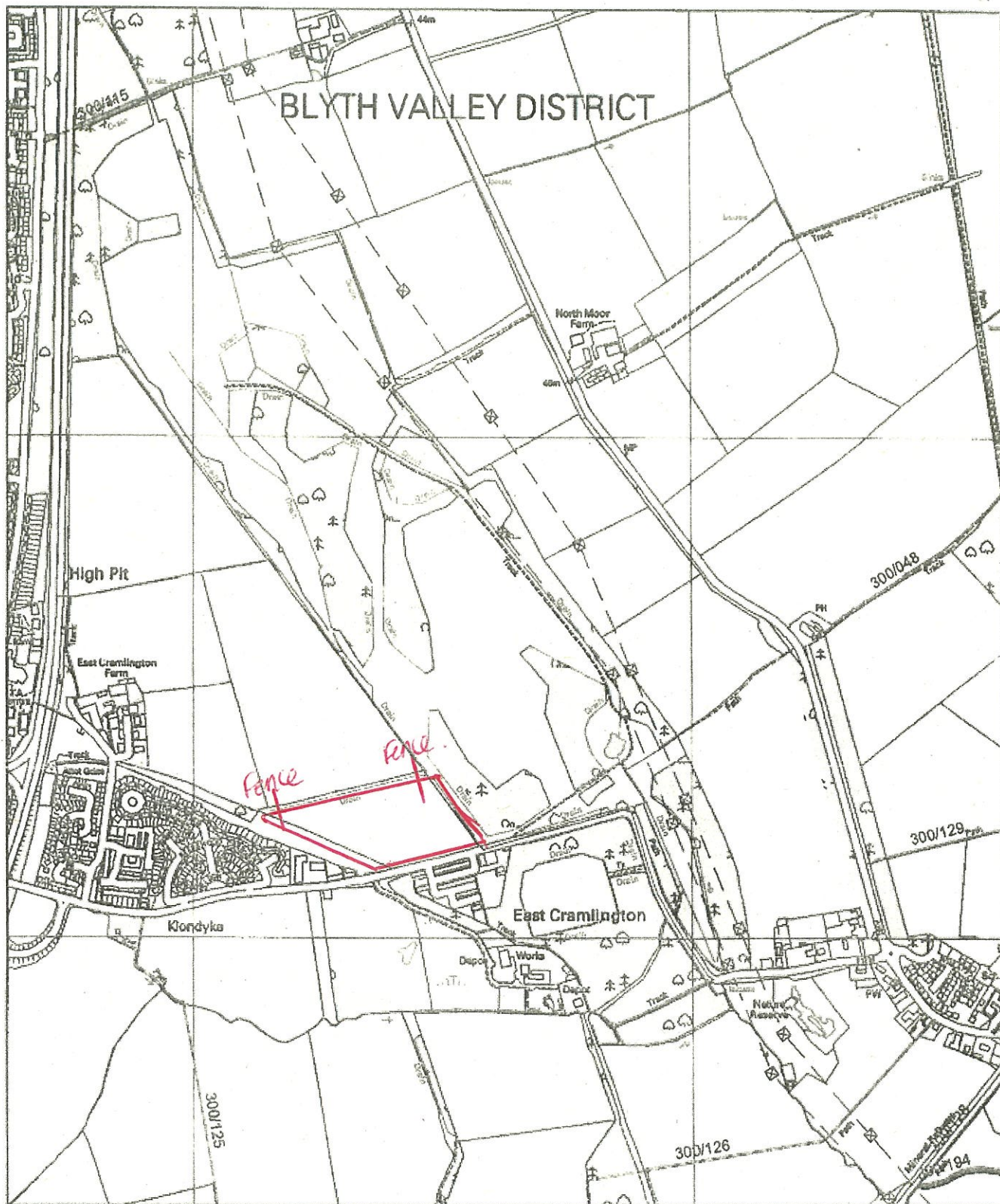


Print full name: Mr Kristoffer Bengtsson

Date: 16.07.2021

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Alleged Public Right of Way

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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name CHRISTOPHER HORTON

Address 32 HAWTHORN VILLAS

..... CRAMLINGTON

..... NORTHUMBRIA Postcode NE23 2AE

Year of Birth 15 8 52

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]

.....
.....

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☒ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

..... FOOTPATH TO EAST CRAMLINGTON NATURE
..... RESERVE FROM HIGH PT.
.....
.....

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From 2016 To 2022

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

.....

3. 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
On horseback	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
By pedal cycle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
By car	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other []	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

.....

5. 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']

APPROX 1 MT WIDE AT NARROW POINTS.

AND SLIGHTLY WIDE IN OTHERS

6. 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

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

AT THE EAST END OF THE PATH AT THE
NATURE RESERVE

How long were they in place?

2016. until I started walking my dog

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when – and show on your map]

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

2021 HERRIS FENCING PUT UP. HAN BRASS 2020

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details

9. 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")

☐ Yes

☐ Don't know

☒ No

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

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

BOT. ACCESS TO PATH BLOCKED BY HAN BATES
HARRIS FENCING

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

.....
.....

15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

.....
.....

16. 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

.....
.....

Other Information

17. 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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18. 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]

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19. 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?

☐ No

☒ Yes

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

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Signature (of the person making the statement of truth):



Print full name:

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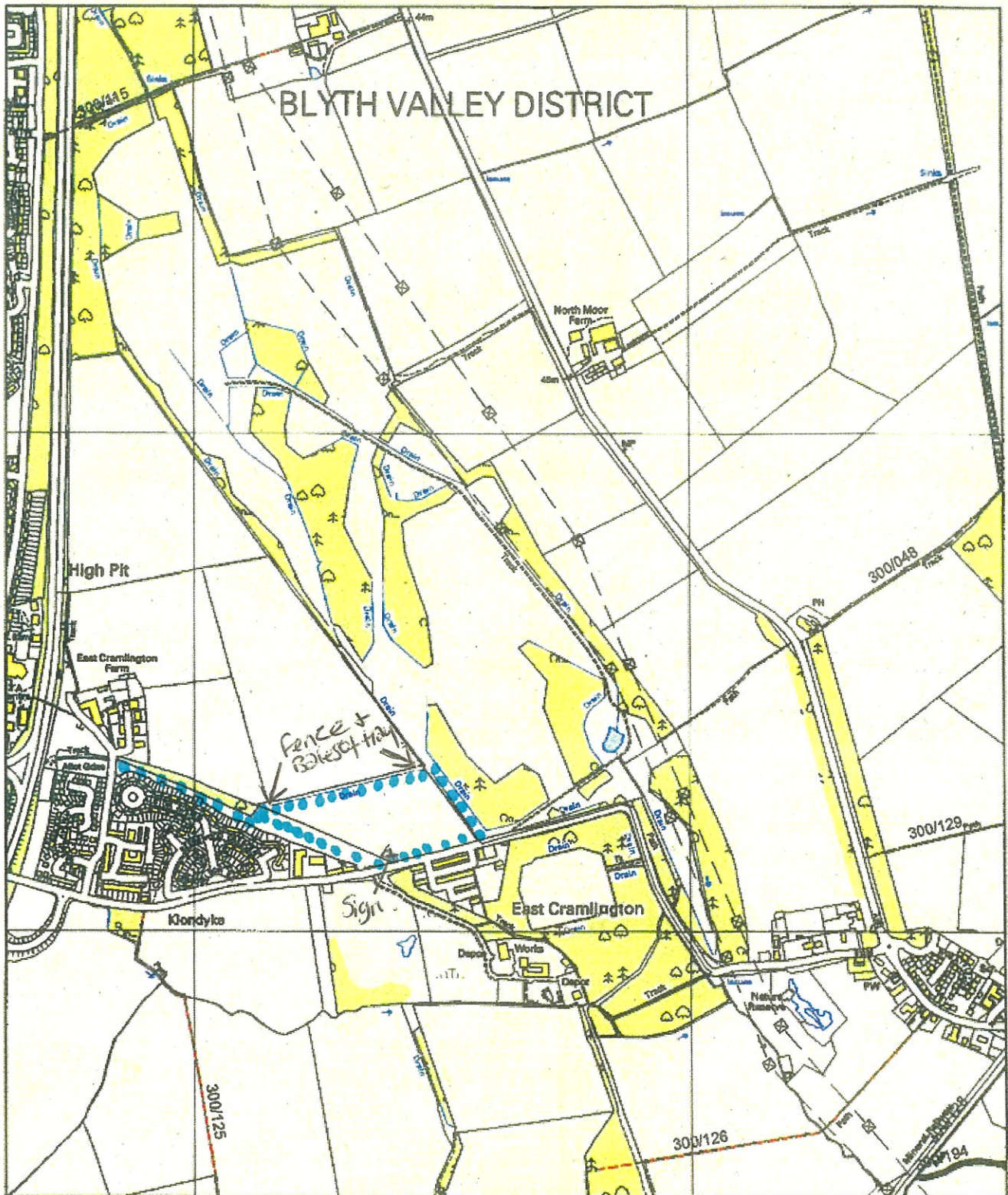
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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name MARTIN STEVENS

Address 5 ROUAN CRESCENT

..... EAST CRAMINGTON

..... Postcode NE236FE

Year of Birth 24/03/47

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

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☒ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

..... ACCESS FROM THE FIELD OR BRIDLE PATH BEHIND

..... THE ASTOR NURSING HOME AND ALSTON AVENUE HOUSING

..... FOLLOWING THE "DRAIN" TO THE NATURE RESERVE

..... SEE "PATHWAY/ ROUTE" ON ATTACHED MAP, + MARKED WITH ~~ARROWS~~ ARROWS

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From ~~1917~~ 2017 To 2021 (Now Blocked By Fence)

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

NOT UNTIL COVID AND LOCKDOWNS. 2020-2021

3. 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	✓ TO ✓	✓	✓			CEASED 2021
On horseback						
By pedal cycle						
By car						
Other []						

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

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

.....

.....

5. 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']

VARIES FROM A FEW FEET TO SEVERAL FEET

6. 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

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

NO

How long were they in place?

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when - and show on your map]

NO

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

NONE UNTIL RECENT PAST MONTHS OF 2021

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

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details

LAND OWNER HAS LOCKED EITHER END OF PATH OR THE USERS WHO KEEP HORSES IN FIELD

9. 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")

☐ Yes

☐ Don't know

☒ No

(ONLY SINCE METAL FENCING ERECTED)

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

AGAIN ANY SIGNS ARE RECENT IN LAST 12 MONTHS

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

RAMBLERS, DOG WALKER, LETSANG USERS.

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

.....

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

.....
.....

15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

AGAIN ONLY BY WALKERS IN RECENT WEEKS.
.....
.....

16. 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

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☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes – please provide details

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

I FIRMLY BELIEVE THIS SHOULD BE A PUBLIC RIGHT
OF WAY AS FOR WALKERS + CHILDREN THIS IS A
MUCH SAFER ROUTE THAN THE FOOTPATH ALONG
THE B1326 DUE TO EXCESSIVE SPEEDS OF THE
TRAFFIC AND FOOTPATH WIDTH. THIS IS LESS RISKY.

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☐ No

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☐ No

☒ Yes

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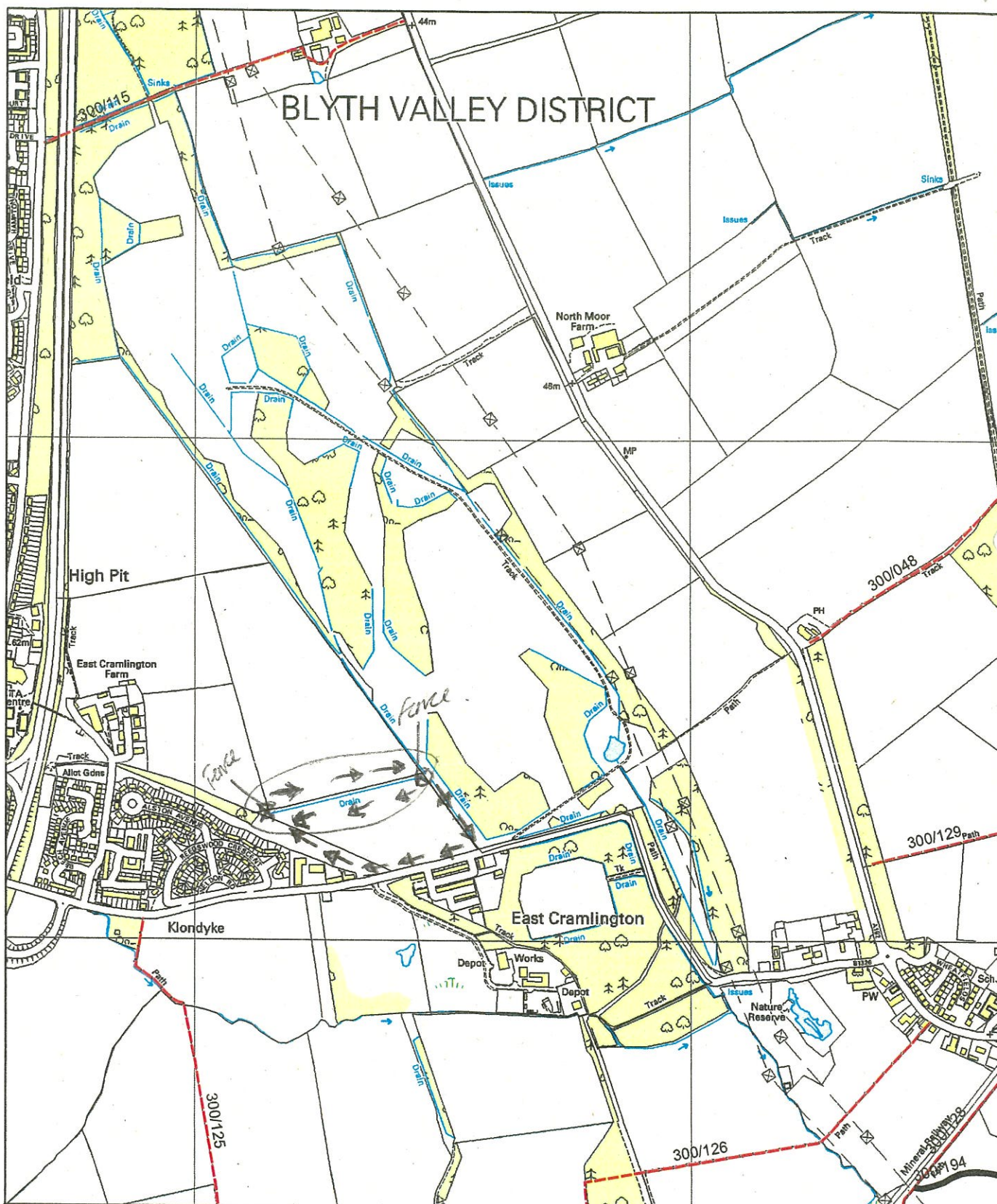
MARTIN WILLIAM STEVENS

Date:

28/06/2021

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Alleged Public Right of Way

Former District	Blyth	Parish	Seaton Valley	Scale	NTS
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PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY USER EVIDENCE STATEMENT

ABOUT YOU

Name Nicky Hickery

Address 66 ALSTON AVE

CRAWLEY

Postcode NE23 6RP

Year of Birth 1978

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]

Lived here 15 years used path for 2 years

last time 2 years ago

ABOUT THE APPLICATION ROUTE

How do you think the application route should be recorded?

- ☒ As a footpath (public rights on foot only)
- ☐ As a bridleway (public rights on foot and on horseback or bicycle)
- ☐ As a restricted byway (public rights on foot, on horseback or any non-motorised vehicle)
- ☐ As a byway open to all traffic (public rights for all classes of use, including motor vehicles)

Describe the application route (include start and finish points and provide OS grid references if you can)

Path runs adjacent to fenced field by the houses and
around on the path fenced off it runs adjacent to a small
Gully separating the path from Farmers Field. The path
runs Lancaster Park to the East Crumlington Nature Reserve.

MAP OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

Please attach an extract from a map of your own choice to identify the route you are providing evidence about, and annotate it with anything you provide details about in this statement. Please sign and date your map.

YOUR USE OF THE APPLICATION ROUTE

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

From 2018 To 2022

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

NO only now that the path has been closed off

3. 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
On horseback	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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By car	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other []	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

If no – how and when was the route altered?

NO known alterations

5. 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']

approx 2m along the Pathway with wider passing places of approx 3m

6. 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 + mud path well trodden
Through regular use by the general public

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

- a. Stiles [state locations and show on your map]

None known

How long were they in place?

- b. Gates [state locations, indicate whether locked – and when – and show on your map]

NO

- c. Other barriers [state what they were and location, how long they were in place and show on your map]

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

☐ No

Yes

If yes, please give details

9. 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")

☒ Yes

☐ Don't know

☐ No

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

Barricaded with Hay bales 2020 then fence erected 2021 May

10. Have you seen other people using the application route whilst you have been using it?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please provide any additional information about this

Other members of Public, with children + dogs

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 then 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,

a. From whom?

b. When?

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

If yes, by whom and when?

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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

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.....

15. Has anyone else ever told you that they were prevented from using the application route?

☐ No

☒ Yes

If yes, please give details including when this happened

Some dog walkers after the fence was erected
May 2021

16. 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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Route is marked on walking maps as permissable
available via <http://www.gps-routes.co.uk>
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The route links to Lancroft Nature Reserve and surrounding
areas from High Pit bridge, ideal for dog walkers, ramblers
and people with young children. It allows access to Nature
Reserve avoiding the busy Road and narrow Botany of
the B1326 and avoids a busy car park with poor visibility crossing
onto nature Reserve.
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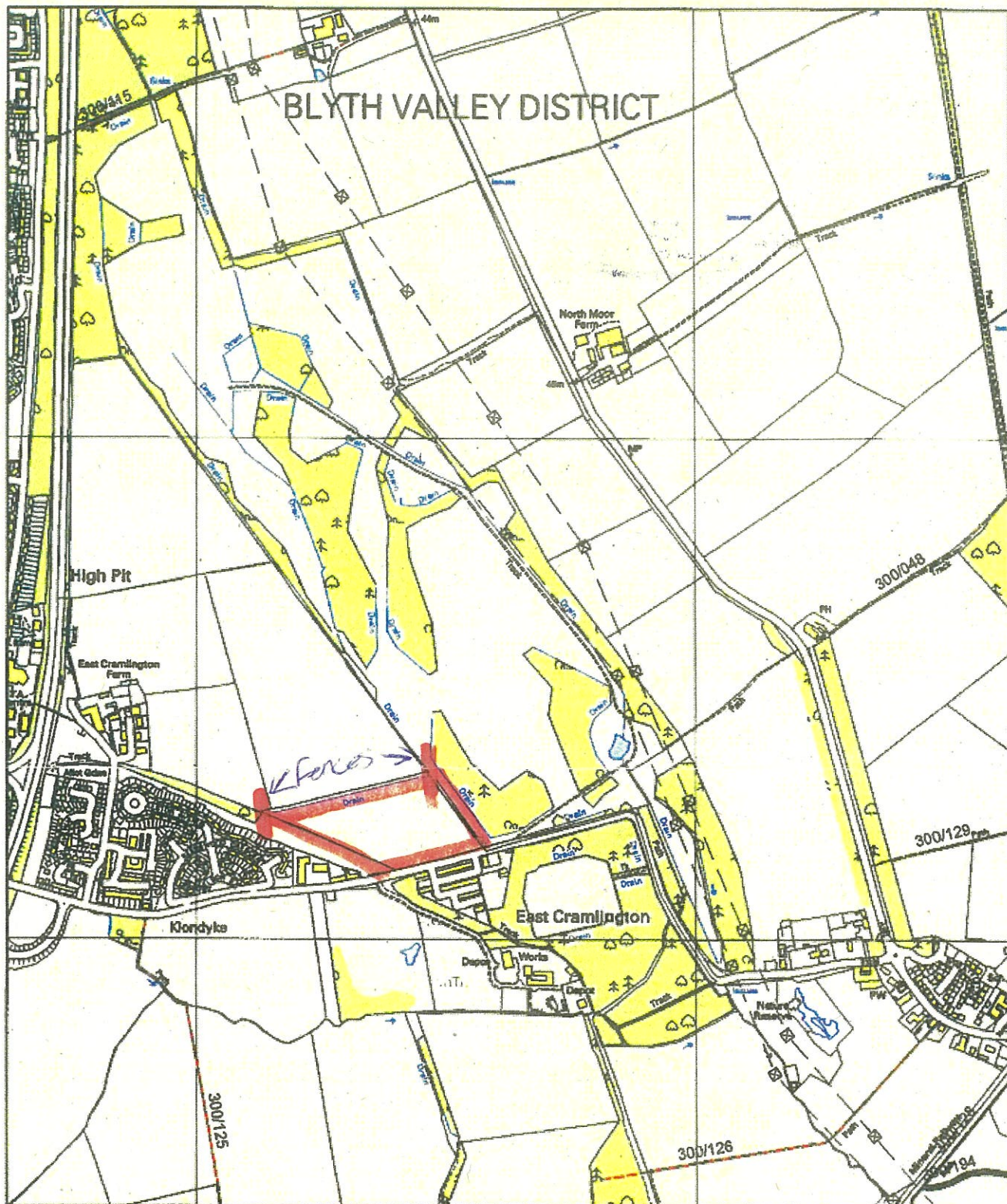
A blacked-out signature, likely for privacy reasons.

Print full name: L. Hickey

Date: 14/3/2022

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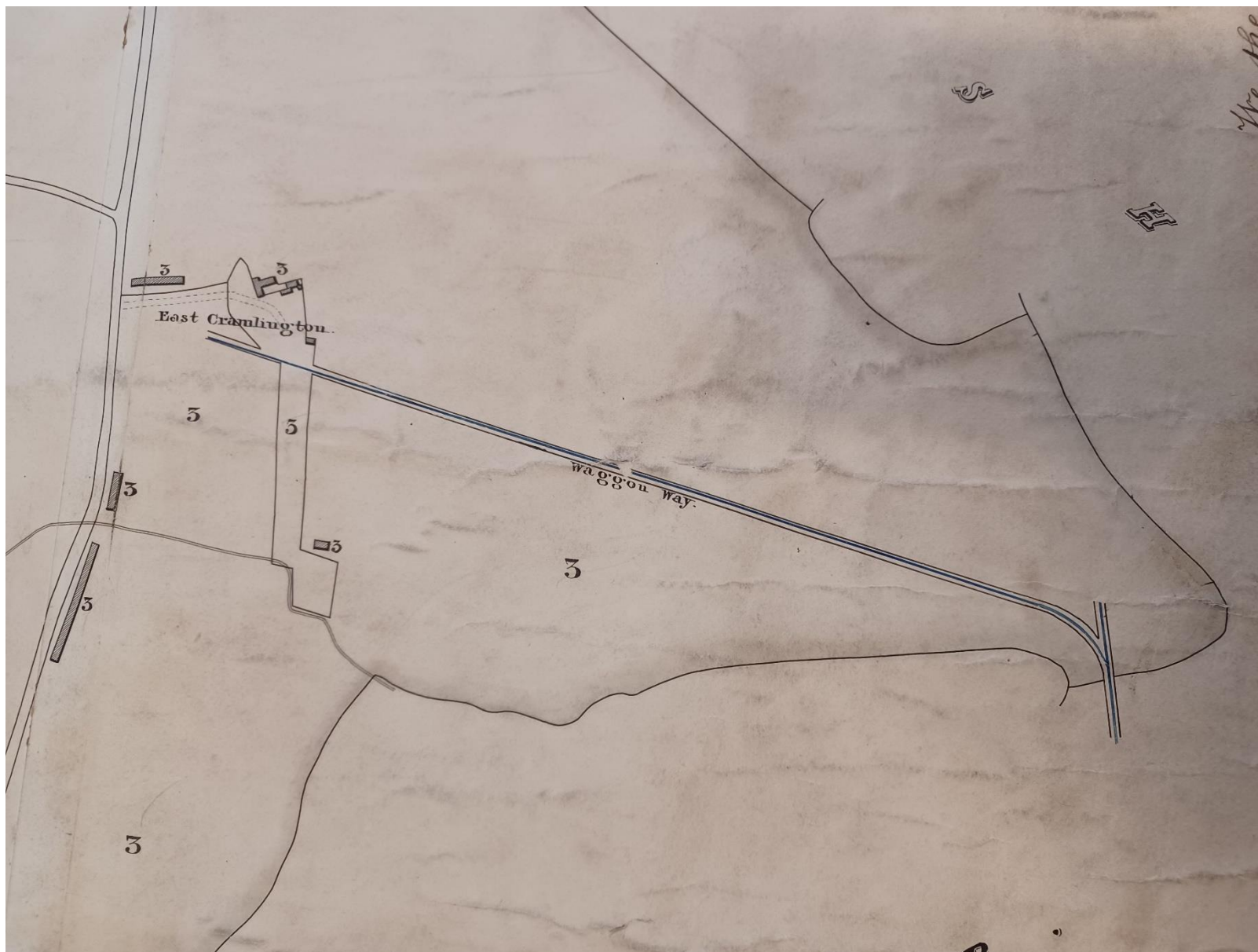
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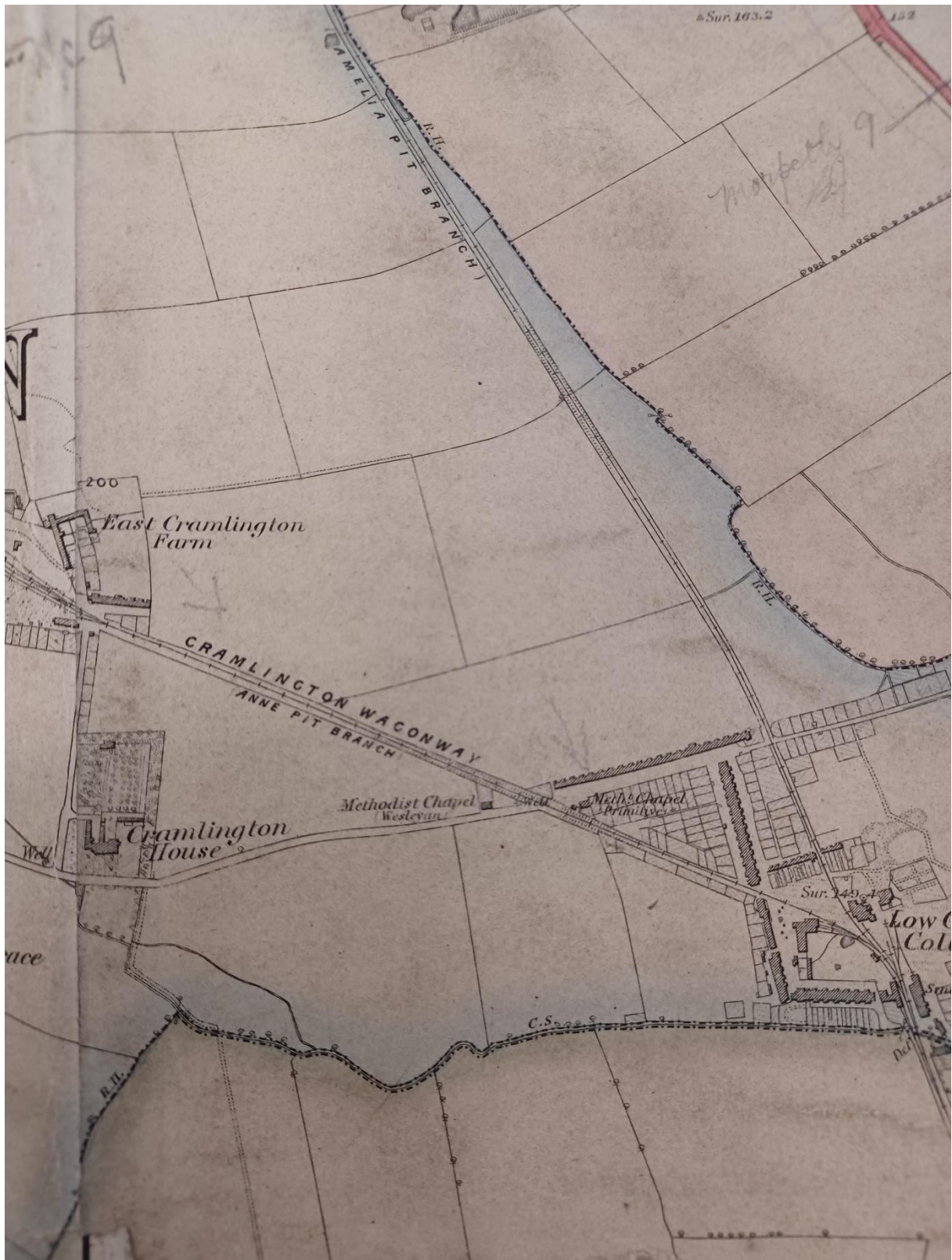


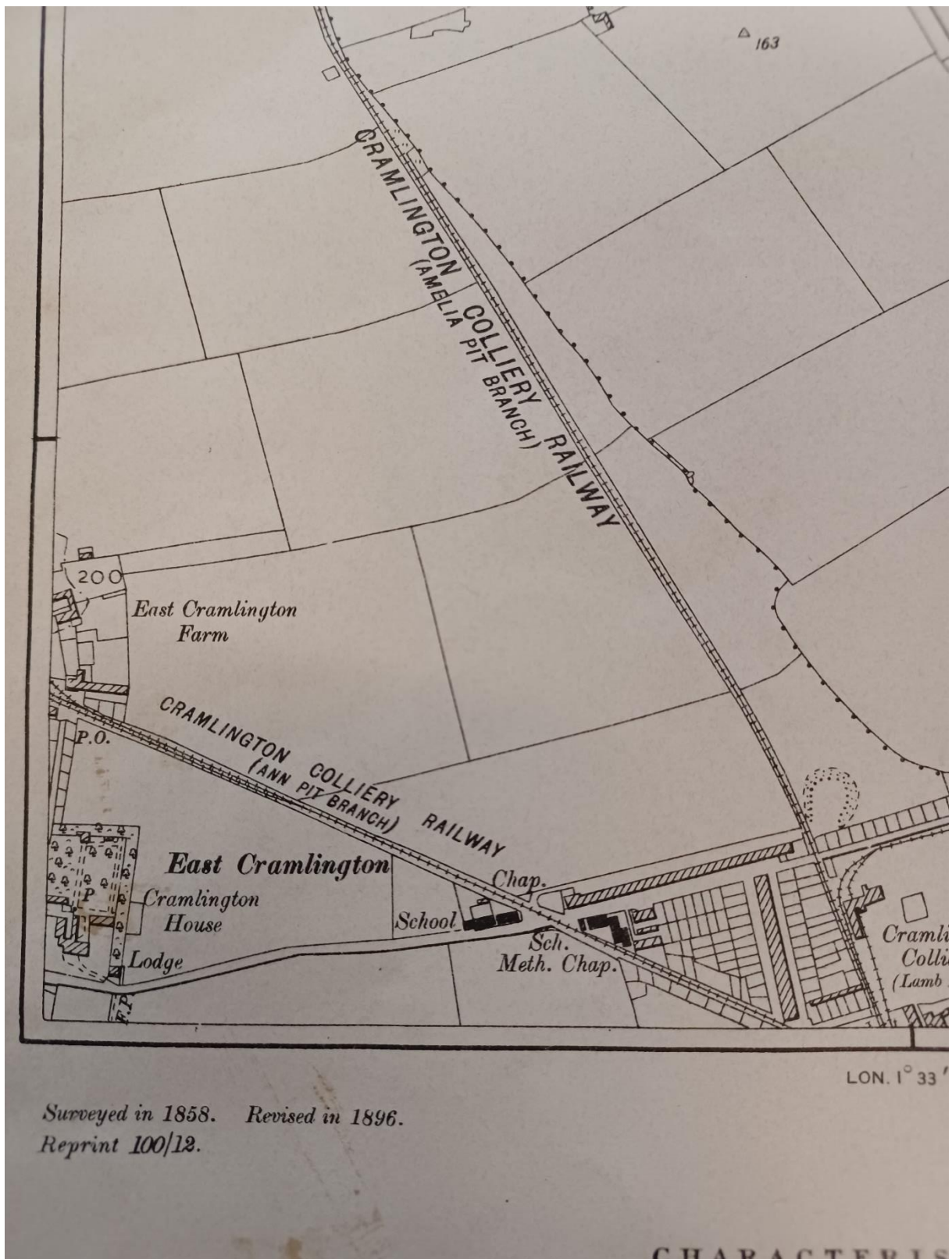
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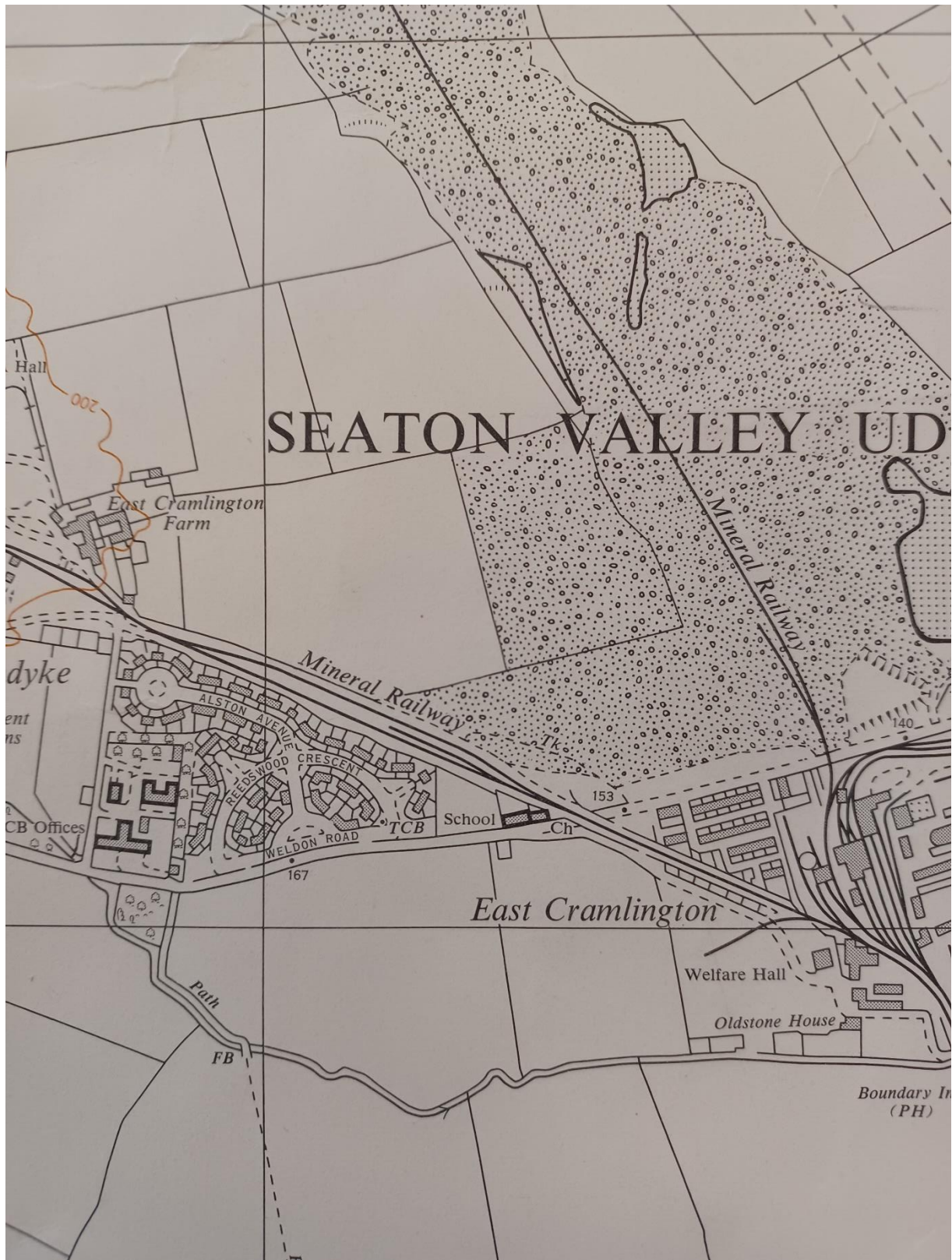






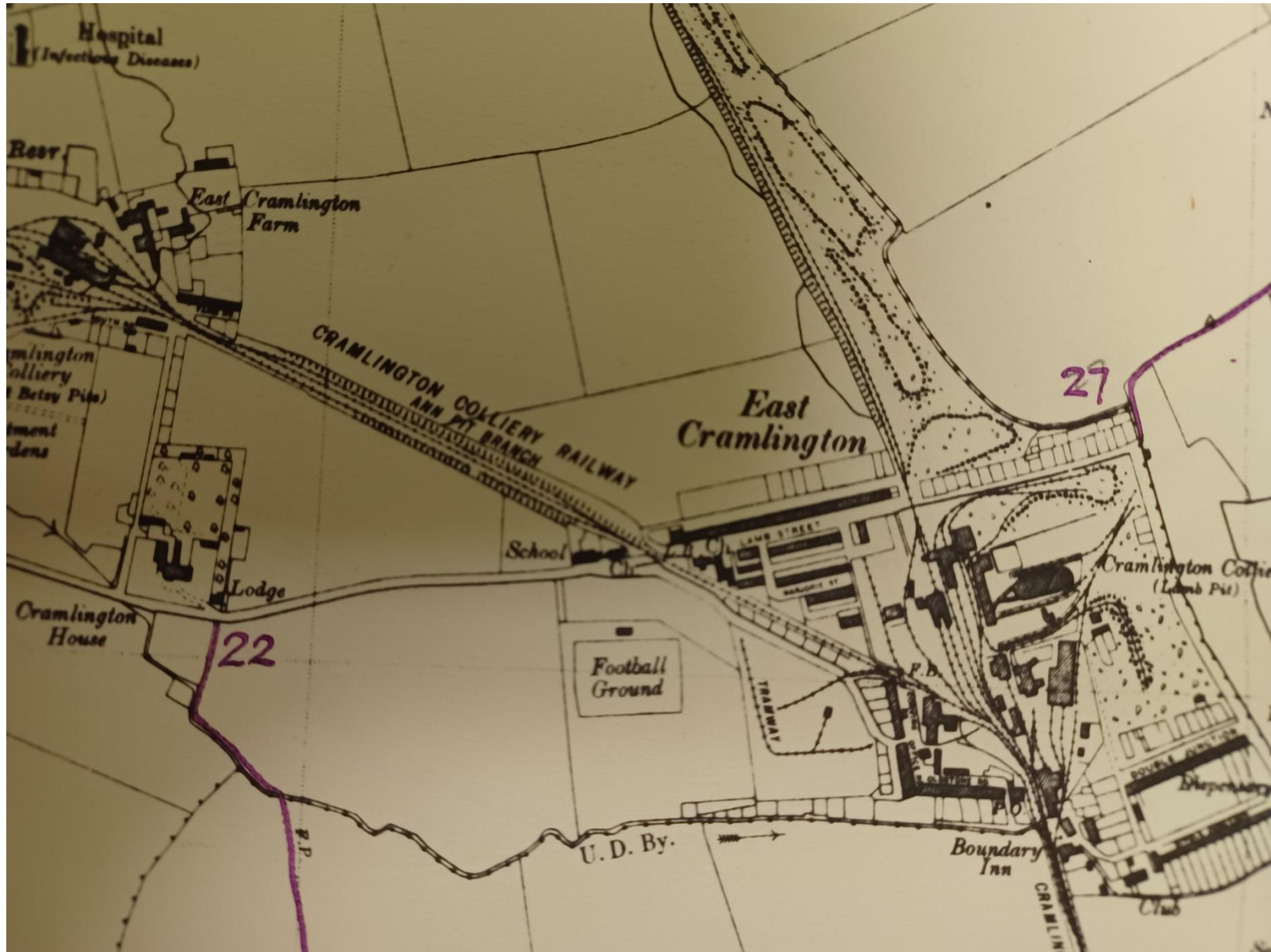


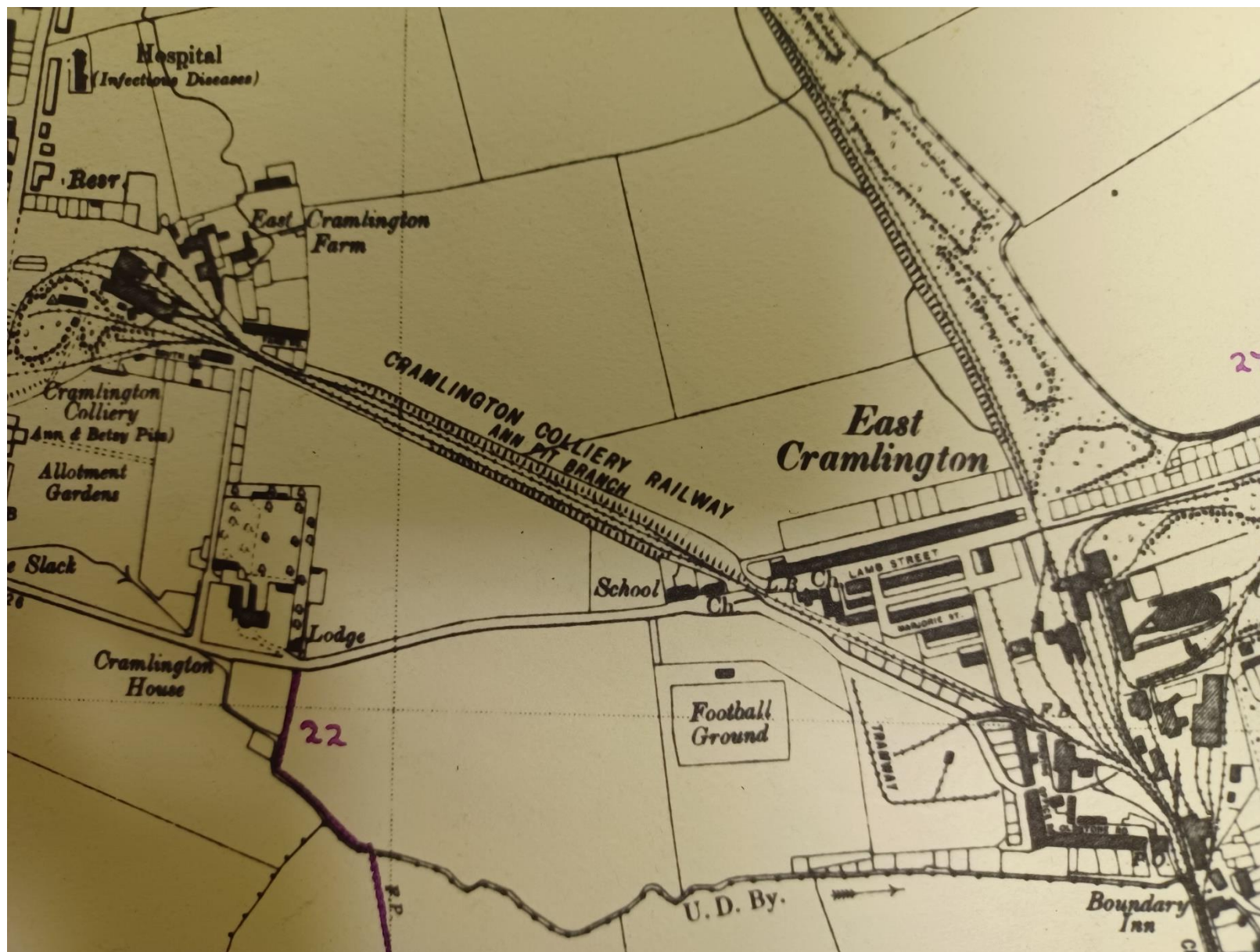




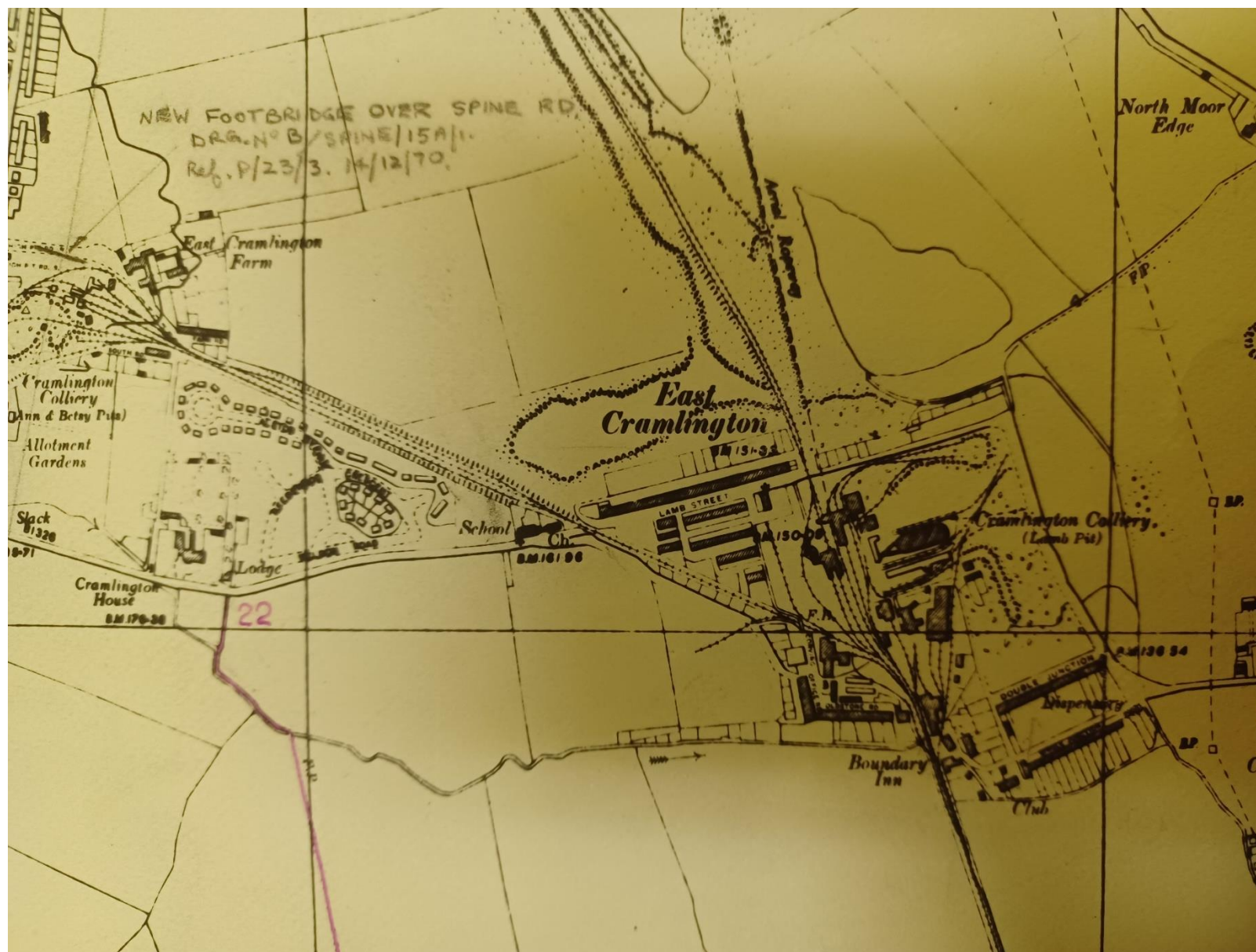






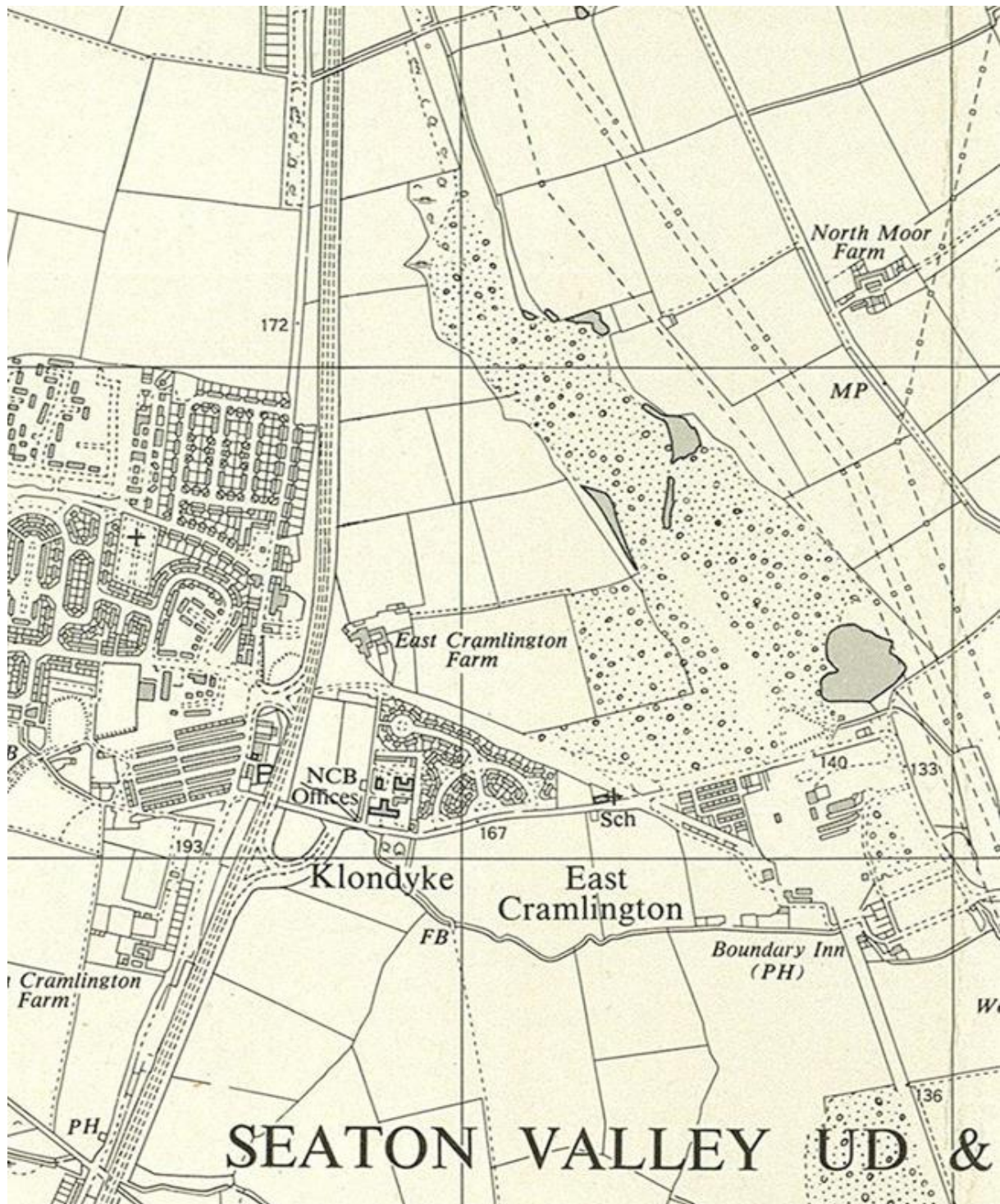


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DEPOSIT OF STATEMENT AND PLAN
SECTION 31(6) OF THE HIGHWAYS ACT 1980

To Northumberland County Council

1. I am and have been since 21 September 2001 in my capacity as a trustee for the time being of J R Barrett's 1974 Farm Settlement the owner (within the meaning of the above section of the Highways Act 1980) of the 12 acres of land known as land on the north side of the B1326 opposite Lamb Street East Cramlington to the east of the former mineral railway line adjacent to the Cramlington Primary School and Methodist Church East Cramlington more particularly delineated on the plan accompanying this statement and thereon edged red.
2. The aforementioned land lies in the Parish of Cramlington St Nicholas.
3. No ways over the land have been dedicated as highways.
4. The deposit shall comprise this statement and accompanying plan.

Signed 

Name: Helen Frances Tavroges

duly authorised for and on behalf of the Trustees of J R Barrett's 1974 Farm Settlement

Address Bond Dickinson LLP One Trinity Broad Chare Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 2HF

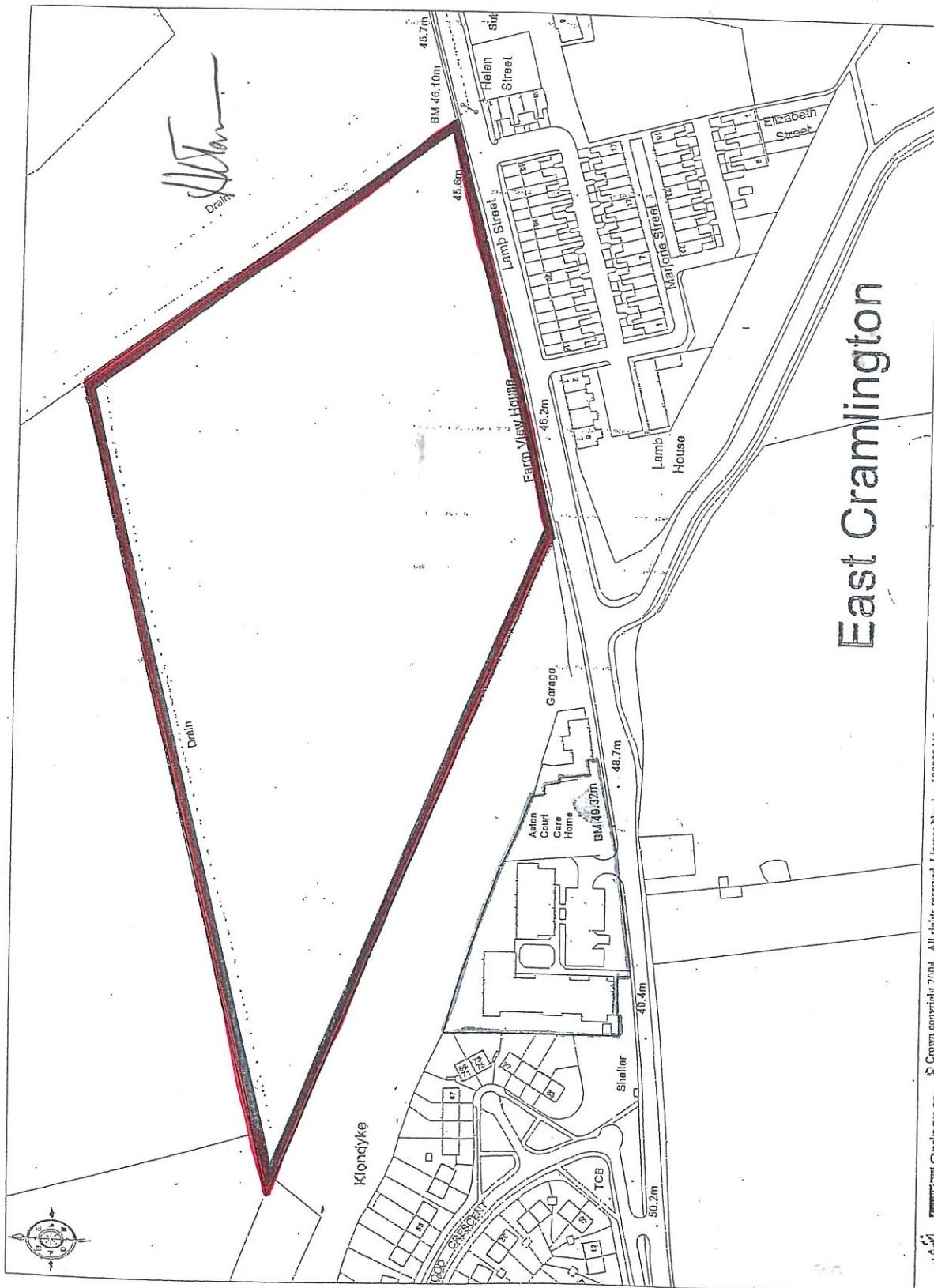
Date 8 August 2013

Signed (witness) 

Name (of witness) CHARLOTTE PATTERSON-RYAN

Address BOND DICKINSON LLP ONE TRINITY BROAD CHARE NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE NE1 2HF

Occupation SOLICITOR



East Cramlington

Land at Klondyke, Lamb Street, East Cramlington

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STATUTORY DECLARATION

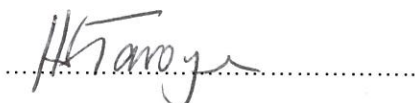
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I Helen Frances Tavroges DO SOLEMNLY AND SINCERELY DECLARE as follows:-

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2. On the day of even date to this declaration I have deposited with Northumberland County Council, being the appropriate Council, a statement accompanied by a plan delineating the aforementioned property by red edging which stated that no ways had been dedicated as highways over my property.
3. No additional ways have been dedicated over the land edged red on the plan accompanying this declaration since the statement dated 2012 referred to in 2 above.

AND I MAKE this solemn declaration on the 8 day of August 2013 conscientiously believing it to be true and by virtue of the Statutory Declarations Act 1835.

Signature



Name


Helen Frances Tavroges

duly authorised for an on behalf of the Trustees of J R Barrett's 1974 Farm Settlement

Declared at

Bond Dickinson, One Trinity, Broadchare Newcastle upon Tyne

Before me

Rhannon Griffiths 

NE1 2HF

~~Commissioner for Oaths or a Justice of the Peace or Solicitor~~

This is the exhibit marked "HFT1" referred to in the
Statutory Declaration of Helen Frances Tavroges

Dated this 8 day of August 2013

Before me


Solicitor/Commissioner for Oaths

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