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Claim Nether Moor Farm Hfld 231

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PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION SHEET - WCA8

Personal Details

Name GEOFFREY UNEY Date of Birth [REDACTED] 51

Address 74 AIREDALE AVENUE
TICKHILL
DONCASTER DN11 9JS

Telephone Numbers

Home [REDACTED] Daytime

Occupation HR MANAGER - RETIRED

How many years have you lived at the above address 11

Where did you live previously 3 SUNNY BANK
SOUTH CROSLAND
HUDDERSFIELD HD4 7BX

How many years have you lived in the area 37

Year from 1951 Year to 1988

The object of this questionnaire is to reach the truth of the matter, whatever it may be. You are therefore asked to answer the questions as fully as possible and not keep back any information, whether for or against the public claim. This is important if this information is to be of real value in establishing the status of the route. The information you give will eventually become public and may be used as evidence at a public enquiry

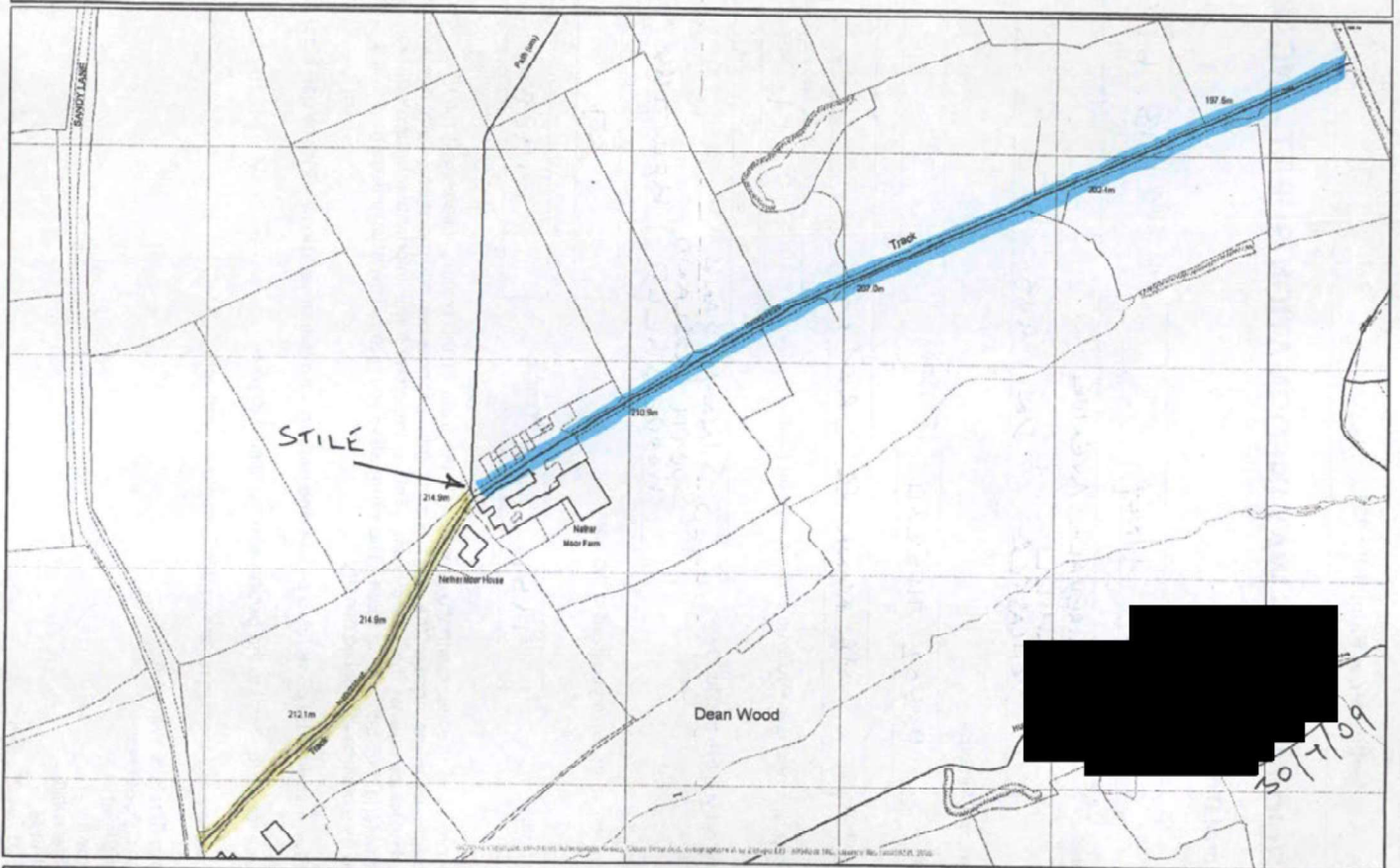
This form should be completed by the one person who is named above - Please use black ink

Please return the form to the person who supplied it to you.

If you have any queries regarding this form please contact:

Public Rights of Way Unit
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PART A THE ROUTE

Please describe the route and show it on the map opposite. The route referred to runs :

from

SANDY LANE

to

THEWLIS LANE

In the District of: (*Batley / Colne Valley / Denby Dale / Dewsbury / Heckmondwike / Holmfirth / Huddersfield / Kirkburton / Meltham / Mirfield / Spenborough)

circle where appropriate

Does the route have a name? YES/NO

If yes, please give details

Which of the following do you believe the route is

Please tick one box

Footpath (for use by walker only) SANDY LANE TO STILE (SHOWN YELLOW)

Bridleway (for use by walkers, horse riders, pedal cyclist)

Byway (for use by walkers, horse riders, pedal cyclist, motor vehicles and horse drawn vehicles)

Restricted byway (for use by walkers, horse riders and by vehicles other than MECHANICALLY propelled vehicles)

Not a PUBLIC right of way of any sort STILE TO THEWLIS LANE (BLUE)

If you think that the route is NOT A PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY please give your reasons below

PART B USE OF THE ROUTE

Which years have you known the route (eg 2006)

From

1951

To

PRESENT

Which years have you used the route (eg 2006)

From

1951

To

PRESENT.

For what purpose?

VISITING NETHER MOOR FARM

How frequently did/do you use the route? (eg daily, weekly, once a month, once a year)

DAILY

Have you seen other people using the route? YES/~~NO~~

If yes, for what purpose OCCASIONAL BRIDLEPATH BY RIVERS
KNOWN TO THE LAND-OWNER AND HAD HIS PERMISSION

How did you travel?

On foot

On a horse

By bicycle

By motor vehicle

By horse drawn vehicle

Other (state)

PART C NATURE OF THE ROUTE

How wide is the route used by the public? (feet or metres)

2 METRES

What is its surface?

ROUGH EARTH/STONE

If you answer yes to the following questions, please mark the location on the map and give details

On the route, have you ever seen any stiles? YES/~~NO~~

If yes, please give details (ie type and locations)

DRY-STONE WALLED STILE TO WEST OF
FARM BUILDINGS (SEE MAP)

On the route, have you ever seen any gates? YES/~~NO~~

If yes, please give details (ie type and locations)

SEVERAL GATES/FENCES ACROSS TRACK TO CONTROL
CATTLE MOVEMENTS BETWEEN FARM AND THEWLLIS LANE
(SEE MAP - BLUE)

Were the gates ever locked? If so when?

NO

On the route, have you ever seen any obstructions, such as fences, buildings etc? YES/NO

If yes, please give details

AS ABOVE

On the route, have you ever seen any notices? ~~YES~~/NO

If yes, please give details

Have you or your family ever owned or rented any land or property crossed by or adjacent to the route?
If yes, please give details

NO

Have you at any time had a legal interest in the land?
If yes, please give details

NO

Are you aware of any old maps, deeds, photographs or any other documentary evidence that record or show this route and which may be of assistance in determining its status?

YES - WITH LAND-OWNER.

Is there any other information which you feel would be of assistance?

SEE ATTACHED SHEET.

Would you be prepared to attend a hearing, Public Inquiry or Court and give evidence if the need arose?

YES

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the facts that I have stated are true

Signed ...



Date

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ON THE ATTACHED MAP, PLEASE MARK THE ROUTE REFERRED TO IN THIS STATEMENT
PLEASE MARK ANY NOTICES, GATES, STILES, FENCES ON THE ROUTE YOU HAVE REFERRED TO
PLEASE SIGN AND DATE THE MAP

On the route, have you ever seen any signposts or waymarks? ~~YES~~/NO

If yes, please give details of location and wording of the notice.

Has anyone ever challenged you when using the route? ~~YES~~/NO

If yes, who was it, when did it happen, how often and what did you do

Has the route always run over the same line? YES/~~NO~~

If no, please give details and dates of changes

Has the surface or any structure on the route been maintained by the local authority? ~~YES~~/NO

If yes, please give details

PART D

Land Owner

If known please give name(s) and address(es) of the owner(s) and or occupier (s) of the land over which the line crosses

MR R E BRADLEY
NETHER MOOR HOUSE
NETHER MOOR FARM
SOUTH CROSSAND, HUDDERSFIELD

Have you ever been give permission to use the route by the landowner? YES/~~NO~~

If yes, please give details

ON-GOING PERMISSION TO VISIT FARM AND FAMILY

Have you ever been employed by the owner or occupier of the land? ~~YES~~/NO

If yes, please give details

If you were ever employed by the owner or occupier of the land what instructions or information, if any were you given about the route?

Additional information:

I have known this track for over fifty years as a private access route to Nether Moor Farm. I have always understood it to incorporate a public footpath from Sandy Lane to a point just west of the farm buildings where the footpath takes walkers in a northerly direction across the fields via a dry-stone stile. (See map-marked yellow)

The remainder of the track (marked blue) runs through the centre of the farmyard itself eventually meeting Thewlis Lane to the east and is used mainly for the movement of cattle to and from pasture. For obvious reasons, the track was regularly closed off with gates and was never open to the public except by permission of the land-owner who allowed occasional use by local equestrian groups and other foot traffic, dependent on livestock movements and conditional on gates and fences being closed again afterwards, which was always well respected.

This track has changed little since the days of horse and cart. It has no name and is not sign-posted. It is solely maintained by the land-owner to meet the needs only of agricultural use. It is unsuitable for most normal road vehicles owing to lack of ground clearance and there is a preferable alternative route for vehicles between Sandy Lane and Thewlis Lane via Crosland Moor Road.

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