## APPENDIX 4 – Representations of support from Councillor Chris Hurst, Councillor for Royal Wootton Bassett South, 5<sup>th</sup> October 2016 and 13<sup>th</sup> November 2016

Subject:

Re: Application to Register Land as a Town or Village Green - Royal Wootton Bassett

Dear Janice,

Many thanks for this. I have spoken with your colleague Sally today, who has outlined the process for me.

I remain very supportive of the application and will likely write a few paragraphs in support of the application in the next few weeks and send them to you.

Many thanks,

Chris

**Chris Hurst** 

Wiltshire Councillor Royal Wootton Bassett South

Sent from my iPhone

On 30 Sep 2016, at 13:47, Green, Janice < janice.green@wiltshire.gov.uk > wrote:

Dear Cllr Hurst,

Commons Act 2006 - Section 15(1) and (3)

Notice of Application to register Land as a Town or Village Green – Land Adjacent to Vowley View and Highfold, Royal Wootton Bassett

Reference no.2016/01

Please find attached notice of application to register land adjacent to Vowley View and Highfold, Royal Wootton Bassett, as a town or village green.

If you would like to make any representations of objections regarding the proposals, I would be very grateful if you could forward them to me in writing, before 5:00pm on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

Kind regards,

Janice Green

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## Green, Janice

From: Chris Hurst

**Sent:** 13 November 2016 19:07

To: Green, Janice

Subject: Letter in support of granting Town/Village green status, Vowley View, RWB

Attachments: Vowley View Green - Letter of Support.docx

Dear Janice,

Please find attached my letter in support of granting Town/Village Green status to the open space at Vowley View. If you can acknowledge the safe receipt of the attachment that would be great.

Kind regards, Chris

Chris Hurst Wiltshire Councillor Royal Wootton Bassett South Letter in support of granting Town/Village Green status to the open space adjacent to Vowley View, Royal Wootton Bassett. Reference no. 2016/01

One of Wiltshire Council's stated aims is to build strong and resilient communities. This can be done in many ways. But clearly one-way is to defend and protect our open spaces where possible.

Royal Wootton Bassett has seen very significant housing development in recent years. Whilst it is understandable that places change in character over time, the effect of such rapid change and urbanization has meant the loss of green spaces. It is therefore crucial that we, as a Council, continue to protect what spaces we can, for the enjoyment of the Royal Wootton Bassett community. The application to formally make the green at Vowley View a community space is an excellent opportunity to do just that.

In my time as a Unitary Councillor I have had the great privilege to represent the community who live at Vowley View. I have seen the community spirit of the residents and the care and attention they take in looking after their street.

I have also seen the community use the green for social events and gatherings. On one such occasion I happened to be walking along Vowley View and the majority of resident's were out on the green enjoying a community get-together. I was struck then, how important this space is and what a vital community asset this green space is and has been for many decades.

By recognizing this open space as a town/village green, it would ensure that the green will continue to be enjoyed by the residents of Vowley View and the generations to come; a lasting legacy Wiltshire Council can be proud of.

Yours sincerely, Chris Hurst Wiltshire Councillor Royal Wootton Bassett South