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**Sent:** 03 February 2015 11:14  
**To:** Burke, Barbara  
**Cc:** Joan Barnett; Giles Pugh  
**Subject:** RE: Claim for a public footpath through Urchfont school [Scanned]

Dear Mrs Burke,

I am advised by the current chair of governors, Joan Barnett, that she gave you a whole pack of information regarding the access to the school, which fully answers this point and gave you evidence that the gate has been locked during school hours since before 1986:

Mrs Barnett was the Admin officer at the school from 1986 - 2005 and confirms that there was a lock on the footpath access gate and that it was bolted shut on the inside during school hours at least from 1986.

In the above noted pack of information that you have been provided with, the school has also given you evidence statements from former employees and from parents and governors that confirm that the gate was bolted shut during school hours. There are also Technical maps in the pack that show when work was done at the school in the 80's and 90's and that identify the gate marked at the end of the path. There are also dated letters to parents reminding them to bolt the gate as they leave the premises - the bolt was on the school side but high up so that children couldn't unbolt it but adults could. This position had to change in 2011 when an electronically controlled "maglock" was fitted to the gate to provide even more rigorous safeguarding measures to protect the school's pupils as required by directives from the Department for Education - such matters are picked up and the school marked down during Ofsted inspections if such safeguarding safety measures are not in place. For this reason alone the school and DfE are not going to permit public access through the school grounds during school opening hours. Common sense has to prevail.

I trust that the above answers your point.

Best regards,

*Martyn*

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**Sent:** 02 February 2015 16:49  
**To:** Martyn Kemp  
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Dear Mr Kemp,

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Yours sincerely

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**Attachments:** RE: Urchfont School CA16 Statement [Scanned]; RE: Urchfont School CA16 Statement [Scanned]

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**From:** Price, John  
**Sent:** 02 February 2015 12:45  
**To:** Martyn Kemp; Burke, Barbara  
**Cc:** Joan Barnett; Giles Pugh  
**Subject:** RE: Claim for a public footpath through Urchfont school  
**Attachments:** Urchfont School Plan 20150202.pdf

Martyn,

Plan showing our title to the north of the school hatched red and the school's title coloured yellow attached.

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John

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