

SUMMARY OF WITNESS STATEMENTS – MARLBOROUGH: FOOTPATHS 46 AND 47

Witness name and address	Status	Dates	Duration	Width	Frequency/how used/last used	Always same route	Signs/Notices/Gates etc.	Challenged	Permission	Comments
Mrs. G. Bower 6 Barrow Close Marlborough	Footpath	1973 to 2001	30 years	3 yards	Twice daily walking dog, to connect with railway line, last used 14.10.01	Yes	Gate and stile. Gate now remains open and stile gone.	Yes - Mr. and Mrs. Bull	No	Owners aware of public use. Barbed wire in place at one time, now removed. Seen many other people using paths.
Mrs. J.A. Clarke 10 St. Margarets Mead Marlborough	Footpath	1972 to present	30 years	3 metres	Daily/walking	Yes	No signs etc. 5-bar gate with stile by side. Gate not locked. No notices.	No	No	Owner knew public were using route – children use it to get to school. Signs put up asking to respect area and clean up after dogs.
Mrs. C. Crame 9 St. Margarets Mead Marlborough	Footpath	1975 - 2001	26 years	3 metres	Daily/walking	Yes	No signs or notices. Gate and stile in place of barbed wire taken down two years ago.	No	No	Seen others walking regularly.
Mrs. A. Greenaway 42 St. Margarets Mead Marlborough	Footpath	1975 – 2001	26 years	2.5 metres	Weekly/walking with friends	Yes	No signs or notices. Gate and stile from Elcot Lane to water meadows. Gate not locked.	No	No	Seen children cycling and others walking. Owner aware of public use - but never signs to keep out. Path is well worn.
Miss P. Harper 27 Stonebridge Close Marlborough	Footpath	1990 – 2001	11 years	3 metres	Walking/daily	Yes	No signs or notices. Gate and stile where path joins water meadows.	No	No	Seen many others using paths. Owner aware of public use - observed public walking when football match in progress.
Mr. and Mrs. James Oddcombe House Elcot Lane Marlborough	Footpath	1984 – 2001	17 years	Approximately 1 metre	Walking/2-3 times per week	Yes	No signs or notices. Gate and stile now derelict at entrance to water meadows.	No	No	Seen many others walking dogs. Owner aware of public path due to previous claimed footpaths.
Mr. R.J. Milsom April Cottage Roebuck Meadows London Road Marlborough	Footpath	1920 – 2001	81 years	2 metres	Walking/monthly last used September 2001	Yes - to visit disused railway at Mildenhall	No signs or notices. Gate and stile. Never locked - only wired up by Mr. Bull previously.	No	No	Owner aware that way public as it is used regularly by locals, schoolchildren, short cut to town, well worn paths.

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Mr. R.W. Milson 92 London Road Marlborough	Footpath	1955 - 2001	46 years	3 metres	Walking/weekly	Yes	No signs or notices. Gate and stile on path to water meadows. Gate not locked.	No	No	Many people walking, some cycling. Owner aware of public use as way to access water meadows, children to get to school. Well worn path.
Mrs. C. Ricks 6 Barrow Close Marlborough	Footpath	1980 - 2001	21 years	1.5 metres	Walking/fortnightly	Yes	No signs or notices. Gate and stile at entrance to water meadows. Stile now broken, used to be covered in barbed wire.	No	No	Owner aware - grounds keeper aware that public used and OK to do so provided mess cleared up.

