

PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

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EVIDENCE OF USE ON FOOT

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 Loveclough
 Rossendale
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POST CODE: BB4 8RG

DATE OF BIRTH: 26.12.1926 OCCUPATION: Retired

Route of Way: On the West side of the River Limey, from the Commercial St bridge running in a northerly direction approximately 150 metres upstream to the next footbridge where four "Public Right of Ways" converge.

From: Commercial St: (Grid Reference) SD 811272
 Via: Loveclough Fold
 To: Upstream footbridge: (Grid Reference) SD 812274

1) How long have you known the route?

70 years

2) Have you used the above way on foot? YES ~~NO~~

If so:

(a) During which years? Between 1933 - 2000.

(b) Where were you going to and from? sometimes Goodshaw Fold down Irishmans Gate over stepping stones round back of CPA works to Goodshaw Fold.

(c) For what purpose? just for a walk.

(d) How many times a year? between 1933 - 1947 probably 2.

(e) Have you used the way by other means (Please tick all that apply)?

On horseback

On motorcycle/in vehicle No

Other (State)

During which years?

3) Has the way always run over the same route? (If not give details and dates of any changes. Mark any changes or variations on an attached plan).

as far as I know.

4a) Have there, to your knowledge, been any stiles, gates or fences across the way? (If so/ state where the stiles, gates or fences stood and mark their locations on an attached plan).

who was visiting from Canada
about 10 yrs ago I took a friend down Commercial St
past the farm over the wooden bridge and we
had trouble getting over the stile just over the bridge.

4b) Were any of the gates locked? (If so, state when and where they were, and mark them on an attached plan).

4c) Did any of the stiles, gates or fences prevent you from using the way on foot? if so, when?

5a) Have you worked for any landowner over which the route passes? If so, give dates of employment and name of employer.

no

5b) Have you been a tenant of any land over which the routes passes? If so/ give dates of tenancy and mark land rented on attached plan.

no

6) If you have answered yes to 5a or 5b did you ever receive any instructions from the landowner as to the use of the way by the public? If so, what were they?

7a) Have you ever been stopped or turned back when using this way on foot?

no

7b) Do you know or have you heard of anyone else having been stopped or turned back when using the way on foot? If so, state when the interruption took place and give particulars.

8) Were you ever told by any owner or tenant of the land crossed by the way, or by anyone in their employment, that the way was not a public right of way on foot? If so, state when and give particulars and dates.

No.

9) Have you ever seen notices such as 'Private', 'No Road', 'No Thoroughfare' or 'Trespassers will be Prosecuted' on or near the way? If so, what did the notices say? Mark the location of the notices on an attached plan.

No

10) Have you ever asked permission to use the way? If so, who did you ask?

No

11) Please give any other information that you think is relevant. Use a separate sheet if necessary.

In the years between the two world wars & before T.V. people walked out wherever there was a path. Down Commercial St, past the CPA club & farm straight on by the side of the brook & on to Whyn-Jile, and on to the hills. At Primary School we went for nature rambles. down Commercial St. past the farm over the stepping stones and between the two lodges. where the water-ovens & the wattle grew.

It was a lovely time when I was a child. The last time I walked down there was when the new houses were being built & I took my grandson down Commercial St & up over the bridge to Irishman's gate.

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

I am/am not willing to attend a hearing, public inquiry or court to give evidence on this matter, if this should prove to be necessary.

Signature: M. Bulfin Date: 21st Sept. 2004