

## Declaration made under The Highways Act 1980 Section 31 (6)

<b>File Reference</b>	S005
<b>Description</b>	Land in the Wenvoe area
<b>O.S. grid reference (general location)</b>	312000 172000
<b>Nearest Town/Village</b>	Wenvoe
<b>Town/Community Council</b>	Wenvoe, Barry, Dinas Powys, Michaelston-le-Pit with Leckwith
<b>Deposit of Statement and Map</b>	03.02.2000
<b>Receipt of Statutory Declaration</b>	23.02.2004 12.02.2009 22.04.2014 26.11.2021

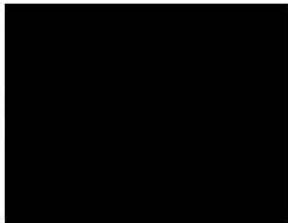
STATUTORY DECLARATION  
SECTION 31 (6) OF THE HIGHWAYS ACT 1980

I  DO SOLEMNLY AND SINCERELY DECLARE as follows:

1. I am and have been since July 14th 1974 the owner of the land known as Wenvoe Wood, Goldsland Wood, Bears Wood and Pencoedtre Wood more particularly delineated on the plans deposited with The Vale of Glamorgan Council of the 3rd day of February 1999 and thereon edged red.
2. The plans so deposited with the Vale of Glamorgan Council, being the appropriate Council, were accompanied by a statement that the ways coloured yellow on the said plan have been dedicated as footpaths and that no ways had been dedicated as highways, bridleways or highways having vehicular status over our property.
3. One additional footpath (Path 24) has been dedicated over the land edged red on the plans referred to above. An additional plan showing Path 24 marked in yellow was deposited with The Vale of Glamorgan Council on the 27th day of February 2001
4. No additional ways have been dedicated over the land edged in red on the plans accompanying my declaration of February 3rd 1999 referred to above.

AND I MAKE this solemn declaration on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February 2004 conscientiously believing it to be true and by virtue of the Statutory Declaration Act 1835.

Declared at



(signature)



Before me



(Commissioner for Oaths or Justice of the Peace or Solicitor)

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2. The plans so deposited with the Vale of Glamorgan Council, being the appropriate Council, were accompanied by a statement that the ways coloured yellow on the said plan have been dedicated as footpaths and that no ways had been dedicated as highways, bridleways or highways having vehicular status over our property.

3. One additional footpath (Path 24) has been dedicated over the land edged red on the plans referred to above. An additional plan showing Path 24 marked in yellow was deposited with The Vale of Glamorgan Council on the 27th day of February 2001

4. No additional ways have been dedicated over the land edged in red on the plans accompanying my declaration of February 3rd 1999 referred to above.

AND I MAKE this solemn declaration on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of February 2009 conscientiously believing it to be true and by virtue of the Statutory Declaration Act 1835.

Declared at



(signature)



Before me



(Commissioner for Oaths or Justice of the Peace or Solicitor)

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2. The Plans so deposited with The Vale of Glamorgan Council being the appropriate Council were accompanied by a statement that the ways coloured yellow on the said plan have been dedicated as footpaths and that no ways had been dedicated as highways, bridleways or highways having vehicular status over our property.
3. One additional footpath (path 23) has been dedicated over the land edged red on the plans referred to above. An additional plan showing path 23 marked in yellow was deposited with The Vale of Glamorgan Council on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of February 2001
4. No additional ways have been dedicated over the land edged in red on the plans accompanying my declaration of February 3<sup>rd</sup> 1999 referred to above.

AND I MAKE this solemn declaration on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April 2014 conscientiously believing it to be true and by virtue of the Statutory Declaration Act 1835.

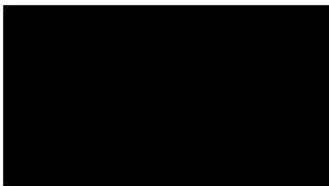
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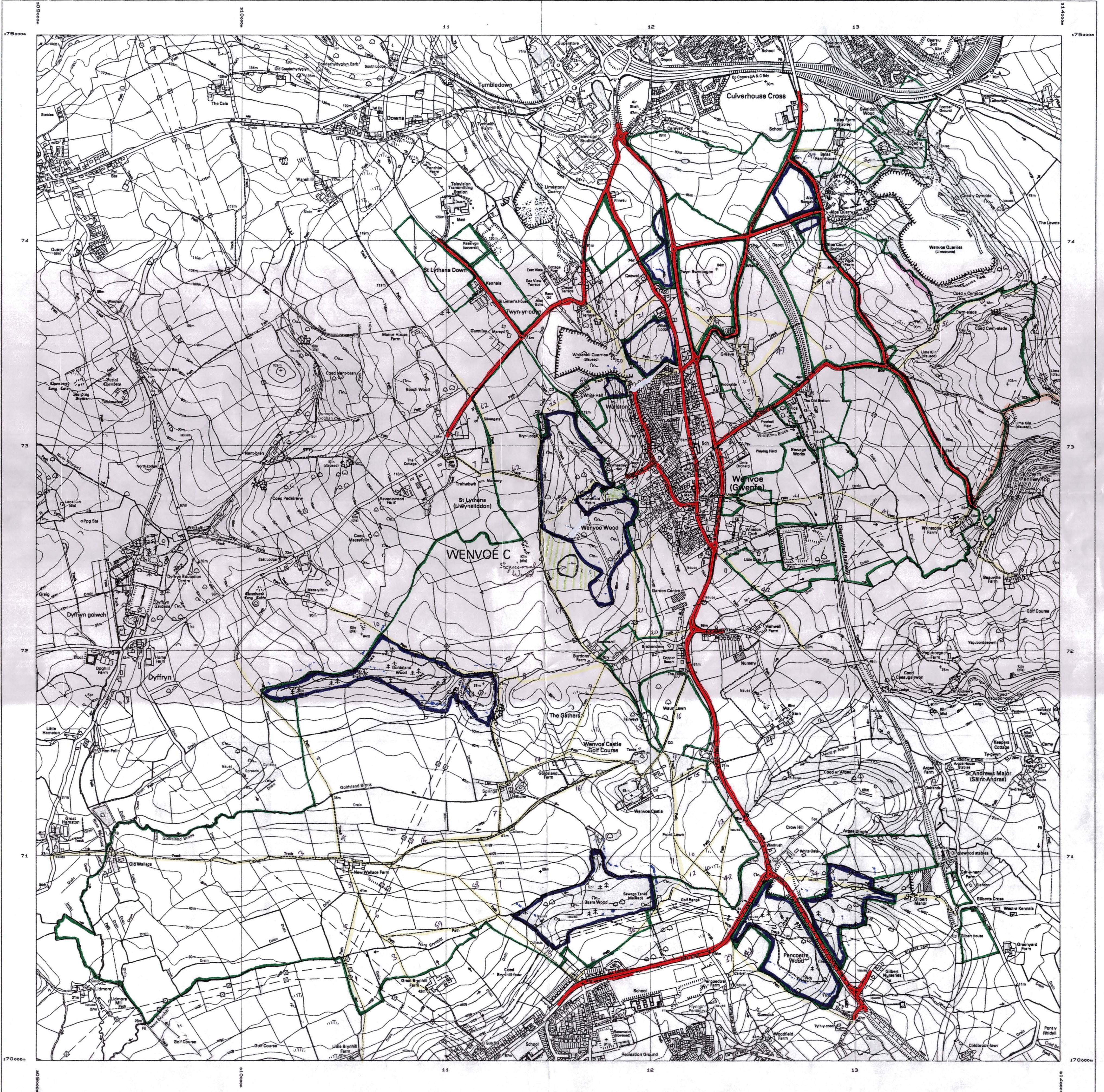
Before me











22<sup>nd</sup> April 2014

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Plotted 01 Jun 1999 from Ordnance Survey digitally derived data.  
Produced using significant survey information from Ordnance Survey basic-scales digital data, and incorporated into Landplan Apr 1998.  
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Administrative boundaries revised to Mar 1998.  
Additional boundaries information:-

-  Boundary of land owned - purchased 1974
-  Public Roads
-  Boundary of my Rights purchased 1974
-  Public Footpaths
-  Road used as Public Path
-  see text - Rights purchased 1984
-  see text - land purchased 1984
-  see text - land and Rights purchased 1997

100 50 0 100 200 300 400 500  
Metres

Scale 1: 10000

Contours are at 5 metre intervals.  
Heights are given in metres above Newlyn Datum.  
The representation of a road, track or path is no evidence of a right of way.  
The alignment of tunnels is approximate.  
A Landplan symbols leaflet is available on request from Ordnance Survey Agents.

Plot Centre Coordinates: 311500 172500  
Supplied by: Stanfords, Bristol  
Plot Serial Number: 01399



STATEMENT AND STATUTORY DECLARATION  
DEPOSIT OF STATEMENT AND PLAN  
SECTION 31(6) OF THE HIGHWAYS ACT 1980

To the Vale of Glamorgan Council.

1. I am and have been since July 14th 1974 the owner within the meaning of the above section of the land known as Wenvoe Wood Goldsland Wood Bears Wood Pencoedtre Wood Walston Copse and land more particularly delineated on the plans accompanying this statement and thereon edged blue.
2. I am and have been since July 14th 1974 the owner within the meaning of the above section of the Sporting Rights over the land referred to in 1. above together with the Sporting Rights over the land on the aforementioned plans and edged green except as hereinafter otherwise described.
3. I am and have been since January 24th 1984 the owner within the meaning of the above section of the Sporting Rights over the land hatched Pink on the aforementioned plans.
4. I am and have been since April 3rd 1984 the owner within the meaning of the above section of the land highlighted Pink together with the Sporting Rights thereon on the aforementioned plans.
5. I am and have been since December 1st 1997 the owner within the meaning of the above section of the Sporting Rights over the land hatched Green on the aforementioned plans.
6. I am and have been since December 1st 1997 the owner within the meaning of the above section of the land edged Black and hatched Green on the aforementioned plans.
7. The aforementioned land lies within the Parishes of Wenvoe Merthyr Dyfan and St Andrew's.
8. The ways highlighted Yellow on the said plans indicate the line of but not the width of paths dedicated as FOOTPATHS.
9. No ways have been dedicated as BRIDLEWAYS.
10. The Ways highlighted Orange on the said plans indicate the line of but not the width of roads dedicated as ROAD USED AS PUBLIC PATH.
11. The ways dedicated as HIGHWAYS are coloured Red where relevant on the said plans.
12. The deposit shall comprise this statement declaration two accompanying plans and an additional statement.

Signed:

Name:

Address:

Date:

3<sup>rd</sup> Feb 2000

Signed: (Witness)

Name:

Address:

Occupation:

STATUTORY DECLARATION  
SECTION 31(6) OF THE HIGHWAYS ACT 1980

I  DO SOLEMNLY AND SINCERELY DECLARE as follows:

1. I am and have been since July 14th 1974 the owner of the Land known as Wenvoe Wood Goldsland Wood Bears Wood Pencoeetre Wood Walston Copse and land more particularly delineated on the plans accompanying this declaration and thereon edged Blue.
2. I am and have been since July 14th 1974 the owner of the Sporting Rights over the land more particularly delineated on the accompanying plans and thereon edged Green.
3. I am and have been since January 24th 1984 the owner of the Sporting Rights over the land more particularly delineated on the accompanying plans and thereon hatched Pink.
4. I am and have been since April 3rd 1984 the owner of the Land and the Sporting Rights thereover more particularly delineated on the accompanying plans and thereon highlighted Pink.
5. I am and have been since December 1st 1997 the owner of the Sporting Rights over the land more particularly delineated on the accompanying plans and thereon hatched Green.
6. I am and have been since April 3rd 1997 the owner of the Land known as Squirrel Wood more particularly delineated on the accompanying plans and thereon edged Black and hatched Green.
7. On the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February 2000 I deposited with the Vale of Glamorgan Council being the appropriate Council a statement accompanied by plans delineating my property by Red edging Blue edging Green edging Red hatching Pink colour Green hatching and Black edging which stated that the ways highlighted Yellow had been dedicated as FOOTPATHS that no ways had been dedicated as BRIDLEWAYS that ways highlighted Orange had been dedicated as Roads used as Public Paths and that ways dedicated as Highways are coloured RED where relevant.
8. No additional ways have been dedicated over the land edged Blue Green Black highlighted Pink hatched Pink or Green.

AND I MAKE this solemn declaration on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February 2000 conscientiously believing it to be true and by virtue of the Statutory Declarations Act 1835

Declared at 

(signature) 

Before me 

~~Commissioner for Oaths / Justice of the Peace / Solicitor~~

ADDITIONAL AND SUPPLEMENTARY STATEMENT

The land delineated on the accompanying plans formed part of the Wenvoe Castle Estate which was owned by my grandfather the [REDACTED] have known the land since 1953.

In 1960 I took the tenancy of the land known as Greave Farm, Wenvoe and this I farmed until 1974, by which time it had extended to include parts of Rhua Farm, Wenvoe and Typica Farm, Wenvoe. During those years, I enjoyed exercising the sporting rights over all the land delineated on the aforementioned plans regularly as a guest of the then lessee of those rights. I became thoroughly familiar with all the woods and farmland shown and delineated on the plans and edged Green. The Estate at that time extended beyond that which is so delineated on the plans.

Following my grandfather's death in 1968, his trustees began to sell off much of the land in accordance with his wishes to existing tenants. The Sporting Rights were deliberately retained and subsequently purchased by me, my ownership of the rights is not therefore of an haphazard nature. In 1972 I purchased the land of which I was tenant. In 1974 I purchased the freeholds of the woods referred to in the statement (excepting Squirrel Copse which I purchased later) and the Sporting Rights over all the land delineated and edged Green excepting those areas hatched Red and coloured Pink where the rights were purchased in 1984. The Sporting Rights over the land hatched Green and the freehold of Squirrel Copse were purchased from a different owner in 1997.

In 1974, I sold much of the land which I had been farming, but retained the Sporting Rights. I then moved to farm in Wiltshire, but have continued to exercise my sporting rights and to actively manage Wenvoe Wood and Walston Copse in collaboration with the Forestry Commission and Coed Cymru. Since the early 1980s this latter has been formalised into a management agreement. In 1999 a first prize was achieved in the large woods class at Cowbridge Show. Throughout my ownership, it has been necessary to be constantly vigilant to keep poaching, vandalism and theft under control. Sadly, a number of cases of theft from Wenvoe Wood have had to be reported to the police at Barry.

During my ownership of the land delineated on the plans at no time have I allowed permitted or granted any additional public access. The only approach for additional access has been at Wenvoe Wood where the Vale of Glamorgan Council found in my favour that no public access could be deemed to have been granted by user. A Public Inquiry is fixed for April 5th 2000 to resolve this outstanding matter.

By Deed of Gift dated January 16th 1996 all my ownerships became joint with my wife [REDACTED]

Signed: [REDACTED]

Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2000

Address: [REDACTED]



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I [REDACTED] DO SOLEMNLY AND SINCERELY DECLARE as follows:

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AND I MAKE this solemn declaration on the 26<sup>th</sup> of November 2021 conscientiously believing it to be true and by virtue of the Statutory Declaration Act 1835.

Declared at

[REDACTED]

(signature)

[REDACTED]

Before me

Jeary & Lewis Ltd  
56 Market Place  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
Chippenham  
Wiltshire

(Commissioner for Oaths or Justice of the Peace or Solicitor)

[REDACTED]

ANDREW STUBBS  
SOLICITOR