

**REGISTER OF DEPOSITS**

-        **HIGHWAYS ACT 1980\***

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-        **COMMONS ACT 2006\***

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(\* tick if applicable or specify N/A)

**DETAILS OF APPLICATION**

Date Application received in prescribed form        11/10/17

Date by which any subsequent highways  
declaration must be lodged        10/10/37

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**Parcel**

District        North Herts

Parish        Codicote

Address and postcode of buildings  
on each piece of land subject to the  
application to which a postcode has  
been assigned

Land to the north east of The Close  
Codicote  
SG4 8YQ

Nearest town/city to above

Welwyn Garden City

OS 6 figure Grid Reference(s)  
for a point within the area of the land  
(*if possible for postcode point above*)

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TL 219 182



**NOTICE OF LANDOWNER DEPOSITS** under  
**Section 31(6) of the Highways Act 1980 and**  
**Section 15A(1) of the Commons Act 2006**  
**HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

An application to deposit a map and statement under section 31(6) of the Highways Act 1980 and deposit a statement under section 15A(1) of the Commons Act 2006 has been made in relation to the land (or lands) described below and shown edged red on the accompanying map.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

This deposit may affect rights over the land described below. Deposits made under section 31(6) of the Highways Act 1980 may prevent deemed dedication of public rights of way over such land under section 31(1) of that Act. Deposits made under section 15A(1) of the Commons Act 2006 may affect the ability to register such land as a town or village green under section 15 of that Act. For further information please see guidance at <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/town-and-village-greens-how-to-register>

**Description of the land:**

**Land to the north east of The Close, Codicote, SG4 8YQ**

Name of the parish, ward or district in which the land is situated:

North Herts district, Codicote parish

The deposit was submitted by John Hodge and was received by this authority on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2017.

The authority maintains a register of maps, statements and declarations deposited under section 31A of the Highways Act 1980 and section 15B of the Commons Act 2006. This register can be accessed online at [www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/landownerdeposits](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/landownerdeposits) or can be inspected free of charge at Hertfordshire County Council, County Hall, Pegs Lane, Hertford, Hertfordshire, SG13 8DN during office hours between 9:00am and 5:00 pm

**Signed on behalf of Hertfordshire County Council:**

**Name and position of Signatory:** R. Cuthbert Team Leader Access & Rights of Way

**Date:** 11<sup>th</sup> October 2017

## PART A

### Information relating to the Applicant and Land to which the Application relates

(all applicants must complete this part)

- 1 Name of appropriate authority to which the application is addressed:  
**Hertfordshire County Council**

- 2 Name and full address (including postcode) of applicant:

Name: John Hodge  
Address: 5 Toll House Close  
Westgate  
Chichester  
West Sussex  
Postcode: PO19 1SE



- 3 Status of applicant (tick relevant box or boxes):

I am

- (a) ☒ the owner of the land(s) described in paragraph 4.  
(b) ☐ making this application and the statements/declarations it contains on behalf of [insert name of owner] who is the owner of the land(s) described in paragraph 4 and in my capacity as [insert details].

- 4 Insert description of the land(s) to which the application relates (including full address and postcode):

Description of Land(s): Land to the North East of The Close, formerly part of Bury Farm- extending to approximately 2.4 Hectares

Full address: The Close, Codicote  
Postcode: SG4 8YQ

- 5 Ordnance Survey six-figure grid reference(s) of a point within the area of land(s) to which the application relates (if known):

TL 2199 1825

- 6 This deposit comprises the following statement(s) and/or declarations (tick relevant box or boxes):

PART B ☒  
PART C ☐  
PART D ☒

(delete Parts B, C or D from the form below where not applicable):

## **PART B**

### **Statement under section 31(6) of the Highways Act 1980**

I am the owner of the land described in paragraph 4 of Part A of this form and shown edged red on the map accompanying this statement.

Ways shown blue on the accompanying map are public footpaths.

No other ways over the land shown outlined in red on the accompanying map have been dedicated as highways.

## **PART D**

### **Statement under section 15A(1) of the Commons Act 2006**

I am the owner of the land described in paragraph 4 of Part A of this form and shown edged in red on the map accompanying this statement deposited with Hertfordshire County Council on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2017.

I wish to bring to an end any period during which persons may have indulged as of right in lawful sports and pastimes on the whole or any part of the land shown outlined in red on the accompanying map.

## PART E

### **Additional information relevant to the application**

(insert any additional information relevant to the application)

The attached correspondence confirms the mapping error shown in the latest version of the Definitive Map. It confirms that the position of Footpath 7 which should be close up against the field boundary

## Alex Medhurst

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**From:** Angela Simpkins <Angela.Simpkins@hertfordshire.gov.uk>  
**Sent:** 10 May 2017 15:44  
**To:** Alex Medhurst  
**Subject:** RE: Codicote Footpaths 007 & 008  
**Attachments:** Position of FP7 as shown in 1979 DIV Order.pdf

Dear Alex,

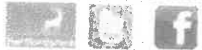
As requested please find attached a plan showing the position of footpath 7 as shown in the 1979 diversion order. The diversion order was the last legal order made to amend the footpath and HCC therefore considers this to be the correct position. Please note HCC's request for a (minimum of) 4 metres width on the footpath.

Sadly the regulations relating to the Deregulation Act 2015 (the legislation to which I refer in my October email) are likely still to be a year away and so changing the Definitive Map to correct admin errors is not possible at the moment.

Kind regards, Angela

Angela Simpkins  
Definitive Map Officer, Access & Rights of Way  
Environment Department  
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Hertfordshire County Council, County Hall, Pegs Lane, Hertford, SG13 8DN  
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**From:** Alex Medhurst [mailto:alex@medhursts.com]  
**Sent:** 05 May 2017 11:13  
**To:** Angela Simpkins  
**Subject:** Codicote Footpaths 007 & 008

Dear Angela

I am working with Ken Lee of Putterills, acting for John Hodge. John he has asked me follow up your attached email from last October.

My understanding is that you have offered to provide a map of the reinstated route of Footpath 007 until such time as the Definitive Map can be re-issued. I am not sure if you now have the necessary legislation you refer to, in which case the updated Definitive Map would be preferable.

If not, a copy of the working/draft version would be much appreciated, please?

Many thanks in anticipation.

Regards

Alex Medhurst  
BSc (Hons), MRICS  
Director

Codicote footpath 7, The Close

Footpaths as recorded on the 2015 DM

Position of footpath 7 as shown in the 1979 Diversion Order  
and on subsequent editions of the DM until 2010 (1-2-3)

Scale 1:2,500



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Path (m)

Path (m)

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## Mr J Hodge

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**From:** Angela Simpkins [Angela.Simpkins@hertfordshire.gov.uk]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 20, 2016 2:20 PM  
**To:** Mr J Hodge  
**Cc:** ken.lee@putterills.co.uk; Tom Goldsmith  
**Subject:** RE: Codicote Footpaths 007 & 008

Dear Mr Hodge,

Further to our meeting and your email correspondence with Tom, I have had the opportunity to look at the Definitive Map documents relating to footpath 7.

Footpath 7 was diverted by legal order in 1979. The order diverted the footpath onto the southern boundary of your field, up against the boundary line. This, I recall, is what you recollected of the footpath. The diverted footpath was shown on subsequent editions of the Definitive Map on the southern boundary of your land against the fence boundary of The Close. This only changed recently when the Definitive Map was re-published in 2015. We believe that there has been a positional shift in the Ordnance Survey mapping – meaning that OS maps have become more accurate in the area but the footpath information has remained static.

We propose that the route of footpath 7 be reinstated on the line as shown in the 1979 diversion order (up against The Close boundary fence line) at a width of 4 metres. Tom and I can provide a map to work from for this purpose.

C's policy sets a minimum of 2 metres on footpaths, however you mentioned an easement of 3 metres along the boundary and given the persistent tipping along the fence line (garden clippings etc), 4 metres would be our preference.

With regards to the Definitive Map, I am unable to make an immediate amendment which would rectify the position anomaly with regards to footpath 7. However, we are currently awaiting legislation which will make the process of altering the Definitive Map easier. When this legislation is received, HCC will be able to make legal orders to correct 'admin errors' for circumstances such as this.

Kind regards, Angela

**Angela Simpkins**

**Definitive Map Officer, Access & Rights of Way**

**Environment Department**

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**From:** Tom Goldsmith  
**Sent:** 17 October 2016 14:23  
**To:** Mr J Hodge  
**Cc:** Angela Simpkins; ken.lee@putterills.co.uk  
**Subject:** Codicote Footpaths 007 & 008

Dear Mr Hodge,

Thank you for your email and for meeting with us on site last Thursday. We will see if there is any obvious error which has crept into the depiction of these paths on the Definitive Map over the various editions, but otherwise we cannot change what it shows and therefore where the paths have to be on the ground without a legal process.

## PART F

### Statement of Truth

(all applicants must complete this part)

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**I BELIEVE THAT THE FACTS AND MATTERS CONTAINED IN THIS FORM ARE TRUE**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

(of the person making the statement of truth)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

4/10/17

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

John Hodge

**You should keep a copy of the completed form**

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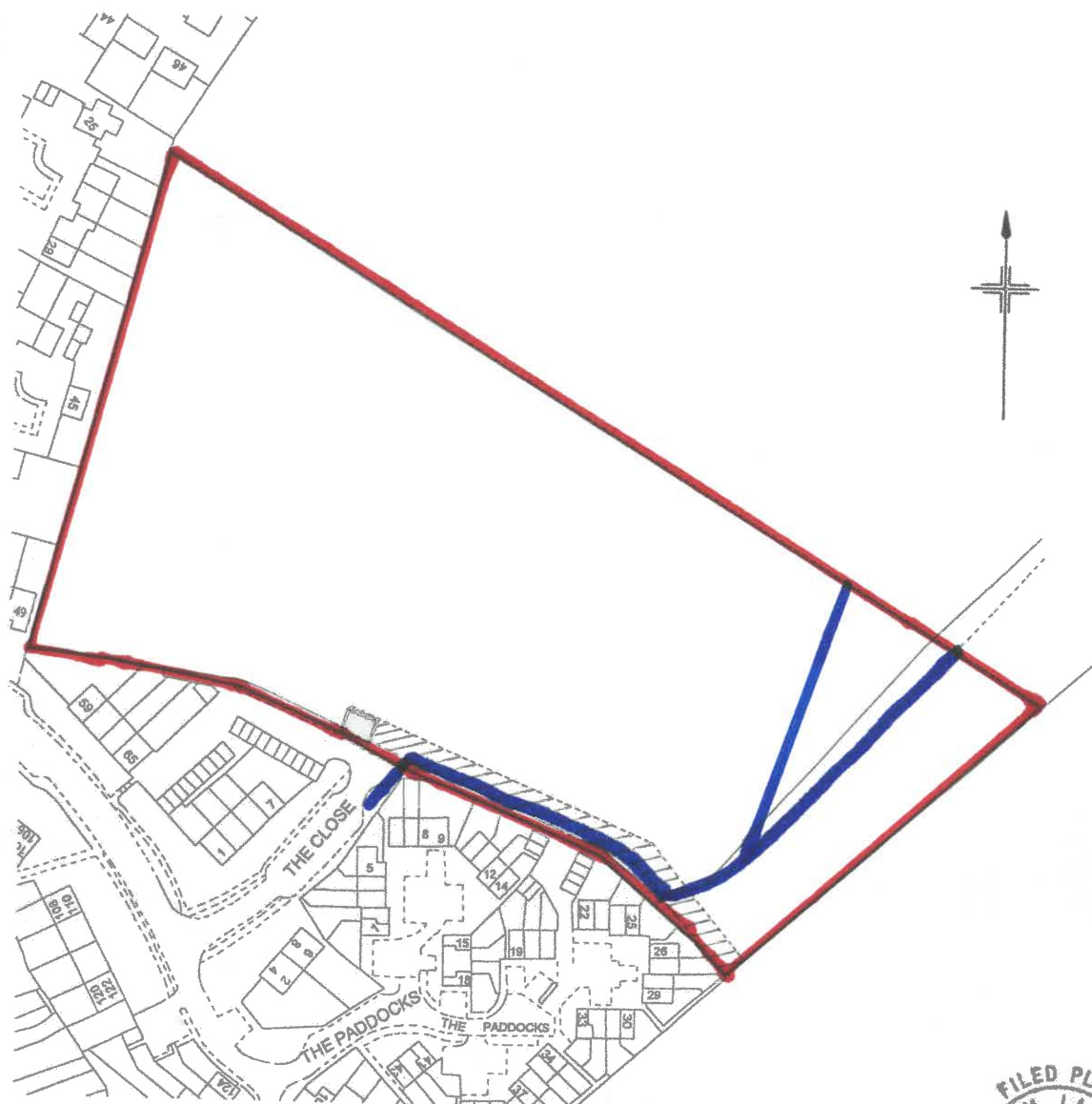
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