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The Chief Executive
Hertfordshire County Council
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05 May 1998

Dear Sir

## **FOOTPATHS: Statutory Declaration**

I write in respect of Footpath 11 which crosses our land from Hawkshead Road north west towards Brookmans Park.

Attempts are being made by unknown parties to create a short cut from this path northwards and in to Gobbions Wood (which adjoins our land to the north). We have frequently attempted to stop such trespass in as "neighbourly" way as possible. We have regularly posted notices but these have invariably been vandalised or removed within a short space of time: for example, those posted on 12 April 1998 were destroyed by the 19th.

Such trespass means that our grazing is regularly damaged (in the recent wet weather, along a strip 3 metres wide), people are also rambling at will elsewhere in and around the field, dogs are being allowed to roam freely, dog faeces and litter is being dropped and not tidied up, and a gap has been formed (and re-formed) by others through our boundary.

In the circumstances, therefore, we have decided now to give notice to you of this situation. I trust that the accompanying Declaration is entirely to your satisfaction, not least to deal with any potential future actions that might arise. Please let me know if anything further is required, including despatch of any courtesy copies to (say) Welwyn Hatfield Council?

Your written acknowledgements would be greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely

John Fisher RVC Estates

## STATUTORY DECLARATION

## SECTION 31 (6) OF THE HIGHWAYS ACT 1980

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- 1. The Royal Veterinary College are the owners of the land at North Mymms more particularly delineated on the map accompanying this declaration and thereon edged blue
- 2. On the eighth day of May 1998 I deposited with the Hertfordshire County Council being the appropriate Council this declaration which states that:

the way coloured red on the said map and on the map now produced and shown to me marked RVC FP11- MA1 has been dedicated as a footpath

no other ways had been dedicated as highways over The College's property as delineated on the map

- 3. On the twentyfourth day of April 1998 I erected notices at the points indicated on the said map which read "NOTICE Highways Act 1980 Section 31 This is private land no public right of way", photographs were taken of the said notices, copies of which are now produced to me and marked RVC FP11- PA1 and PA2
- 4. No additional ways have been dedicated over the land edged blue on the map accompanying this declaration since the statement referred to in 2. above and at the present time The College has no intention of dedicating any more public rights of way over its property

AND I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the Statutory Declarations Act 1935

**DECLARED** at

this

day of

1998

**BEFORE** me

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a Solicitor empowered to administer Oaths

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