

APPLICATION FORM FOR A MODIFICATION TO THE DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT

Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981

To: Definitive Map & Commons, Countryside Service, Oxfordshire County Council, Signal Court, Old Station Way, Eynsham, Oxford OX29 4TL

I/We*(i) MS TROTH WELLS / BRITISH HORSE SOCIETY OXFORDSHIRE
of (ii) 10 TREE LANE OXFORD OX4 4EY

hereby apply for an order under Section 53(2) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 modifying the Definitive Map and Statement for the area by (iii):-

(a) **Deleting** the *footpath / bridleway / restricted byway / byway open to all traffic that runs**
from: _____
to: _____

(b) **Adding** the ~~*footpath / bridleway / restricted byway / byway open to all traffic that runs**~~
from: B4477 NORTHWARDS FROM BRIZENORTON CP OX4 300

to: JUNCTION WITH MINSTER LOVELL BR8 OX2 299

(c) **Upgrading/downgrading** to a *footpath / bridleway / restricted byway / byway open to all traffic the footpath/bridleway/restricted byway/byway open to all traffic that runs**

from: _____

to: _____

(d) **Varying/adding** to the particulars relating to the *footpath / bridleway / restricted byway / byway open to all traffic **

from: _____

to: _____

By providing that: _____

and shown on the map annexed hereto (see overleaf).

The approximate width of the right of 16' / 3 m

I/We attach copies of the following documentary evidence [including statements of witnesses] in support of this application:- (Please list documents, continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

(iv) Attached List.

Data Protection Act and evidence collection: This application form and the details contained therein will be considered by Oxfordshire County Council to establish whether a right of way exists and will be disseminated widely for these purposes and made available to the public.

Signed: T M Wells

Date: 14/6/13

(i) Insert name of applicant(s)

(ii) Insert address of applicant(s)

(iii) Delete as appropriate

(iv) Insert list of documents

*Delete as appropriate

ORPA at Brize Norton – evidence for carriage road

- 1) Brize Norton Inclosure Award 1776 (No map) : 8th route listed [*summary of text*]: 'Public Road or Highway called Millway beginning at end of street of village of Brize Norton near public house called the Crown and extending from thence northward in ... direction through 6th allotment to Charles Greenwood, 1st allotment to Lord Viscount Wenman taken in exchange by Dean and Chapter of Christ Church College & 4th allotment to Dean & Chapter and George Wood and other part of 1st allotment to Dean & Chapter of Christ Church College and Henry Brown and allotments to Charles Greenwood, Dean & Chapter and George Wood and Lord Viscount Wenman taken in exchange by Dean & Chapter and Henry Brown till it meets the continuation of the same road in the common fields of Astal at Woosam Gap'. Width : 'at least 60 feet'. (CRO Ref F.27)
- 2) Davis's Map of Oxfordshire 1797 : Shown.
- 3) OS 1st Edition 1-inch Map 1833 : Shown.
- 4) Cheltenham, Oxford & London & Birmingham Union Railway 1836 (CRO ref. PD2/3) : Brize Norton PI.24a : 'Road' : Owner - 'Surveyor' : 'from Worsham Mill'
- 5) Oxford, Witney, Cheltenham & Gloucester Independent Railway 1845 (CRO ref. PD2/45) : Brize Norton PI.15 : 'Parish Road from Brize Norton to Worsham Mills' : Owner - 'Surveyor of Highways' : 'from Burford'
- 6) Cheltenham & Oxford Railway 1846 (CRO ref. PD2/51) : Brize Norton PI.23 : 'Parish Road' : Owner - 'Surveyor'.
- 7) London, Oxford & Cheltenham Railway 1846 (CRO ref. PD2/53) : Brize Norton PI.26 : 'Public Highway' : Owner - 'Surveyor of Highways'
- 8) Cheltenham & Oxford Union Railway 1852 (CRO ref. PD2/64) : Brize Norton PI.19 : 'Public Highway' : Owner - 'Surveyor of Highways'.
- 9) Northleach & Witney Railway 1859 (CRO ref. PD2/77) : Brize Norton PI.34 : 'Public Carriage or Drift Way from Brize Norton to the Burford Road' : Owners - 'Christ Church College / Surveyors of Highways' : 'to Burford'
- 10) Gloucester, Cheltenham & Oxford Direct Railway 1863 (CRO ref. PD2/95) : Brize Norton PI.34 : 'Public Highway' : Owners - 'Christ Church College / Surveyor of Highways'.
- 11) Witney, Burford & Andoversford Light Railway 1899 (CRO ref. PD2/135) : Brize Norton PI.7 : 'Public Highway' : Owners - 'Witney Rural District Council / Brizenorton Parish Council'.
- 12) A history of Oxfordshire Vol XV (in The Victoria History of the Counties of England by Beckett, Thacker, Williamson) - First Published: Jul 2006 ISBN: 9781904356066

'Carterton, Minster Lovell, and Environs: covers Alvescot, Asthall, Black Bourton, Carterton, Clanfield, Kencot, Minster Lovell, Brize Norton'. Pp 205-216; pp 227-237.

Also available online at <http://www.british-history.ac.uk/report.aspx?compid=117029>

Under Brize Norton 'Communications'

Early Roads

Five other routeways probably date from the AngloSaxon period. A route in the north-west of the parish, which connected the 7th-century Asthall barrow and Sir Edward's Way, was recorded from the 15th to 18th centuries as Salter's Way, (fn. 30) and in the late Anglo-Saxon and post-Conquest periods it was presumably part of a saltway between Droitwich (Worcs.) and Bampton. (fn. 31) A second route ran from the north end of Brize Norton village to Worsham mill (in Asthall parish), which probably existed by 1086; (fn. 32) it was recorded as Worsham Mill Way in 1685, Miller's Way in 1737, and Mill Way in 1776, (fn. 33) and possibly also served as part of a droveway between Bampton and Stockley, north of Asthall parish, where woodland was associated with Bampton in the 11th century. (fn. 34) A spur from this road, possibly known as Minster Way, ran north-east to Minster Lovell, (fn. 35) which was a notable ecclesiastical centre probably by the 9th century. (fn. 36) In the parish's eastern area a road branched south-eastwards from the former Roman road by the mid 10th century; it led eventually to the Thames and was recorded from the 17th century as Abingdon Way, (fn. 37) forming part of a route from Burford. In the south-east a footpath confirmed at inclosure in 1776, connecting the village with the Anglo-Saxon Lew barrow may, also represent an Anglo-Saxon routeway. (fn. 38)

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Post-Inclosure Roads

In 1776 the inclosure commissioners confirmed the roads from Brize Norton to Burford, Worsham mill, Minster Lovell, Witney (via Curbridge), Bampton, Black Bourton, Kencot, and Shilton (Lower Way) as 60-ft wide public highways. (fn. 41)

MAP - In the same volume, the accompanying map of the parish of Brize Norton c1770 shows the road as 'Mill Way' - it can be seen at

<http://www.british-history.ac.uk/report.aspx?compid=117031>