

Thank you for your recent response to our appeal for user evidence on Dakindale Road, Taddington. We'd like to explain how you could help save this lane for recreational drivers to use.

To claim presumptive dedication under common law we need to show 20 years of regular unchallenged use by private recreational motorists, specifically during the years 1985 to 2005. Usage after 2005 won't count due to the effects of the NERC Act and the date of the BOAT claim for this lane.

Guided by bitter experience, we believe there are two elements to gathering a strong body of user evidence. These are:

(a) The actual user data; and **(b)** Demonstrating the genuine credibility of those who are providing the user data. This is why the forms have to be handwritten, not completed online.

You will have received 2 items, this guidance note, incorporating the map issued by DCC, and the 2 page User Evidence Form.

You send 2 items back to us, **by snail mail**, the completed UEF and the modified, signed, map.

We would like to take these to DCC on Mon 17th July, so aim to **get them to Ashbourne by Sat 15th July**.

However, late submissions are better than no submission, so if you are running late please **still post to Ashbourne**, and send us an email to say it is on it's way.

A/ After printing them out, initial both pages of the UEF, and the B&W map, in the top RH corners. This ensures that should someone scatter 'all' the evidence on the floor, the pages and maps can be re-matched into their sets.

B/ Select a coloured pen (and possibly a highlighter) to personalise the map.

The map issued by the DCC has to match the map used by the claimant, but now this map has to be converted to YOUR map, by marking the route you have ridden or driven along.

Use whichever pens you have chosen to indicate the exact route, describing it how you please.

YOUR words, this is YOUR credible evidence. Both Sign and Print your name against your words.

Now to the UEF itself.

Information about the route.

We are focussing on evidence 1985 to 2005, **NOT now**. In this section make clear the years YOUR information relates to. When completing the rest of the form, focus on YOUR use during THOSE years, otherwise both you and the reader will get confused, and your evidence will be classed as unreliable.

If you do think of how it is NOW, use that as a trigger to think about what it used to be like, and then record its past condition, not its current condition.

The Parish is Taddington.

Details of your use of the route (1985 to 2005).

Where were you going to and from?

If you had a regular route which included Dakindale Road then give those details. If your complete route was irregular then say so, but some credible nearby place names, or other route names you used before or after Dakindale Road, will help.

For what purpose?

If you paid, either a tour guide or an event fee (MCC, VSCC, etc), then it was an organised event, otherwise: Family group, casual group of friends, social ride-out, whatever, create your own phrase.

Other mode of use? This is where you declare your passenger status.

Were there any years, within the period stated above, when you did not use the route?

Apart from personal reasons, you probably didn't use the route in 2001 due to the Foot and Mouth epidemic. Travel restrictions lasted from February 2001 until early 2002.

Further Information.

Questions 6 to 10 – ‘Permissive use’.

If you believed the route to be a Public Highway you will have used it ‘as of right’, and not required permission from anyone.

If you were a tenant, landowner, or employee of the landowner, then you used it ‘by right’, and such use does not count towards the public dedication we are seeking.

Would you be willing attend as a witness at a public Inquiry or hearing to give evidence of your use of the route?

Unless you are going to claim a medical condition relevant to NOT sitting as a witness, or that severely restricts your ability to travel NOW, we would like you to say YES. Any such appearance will be months away, you are not making a cast iron commitment (that comes later!!).

Your evidence must be credible and reliable; that you are willing to be tested on it enhances the reliability and credibility.

If in doubt, email taddington@glass-uk.org and ask us, The GLASS “Taddington Team”.

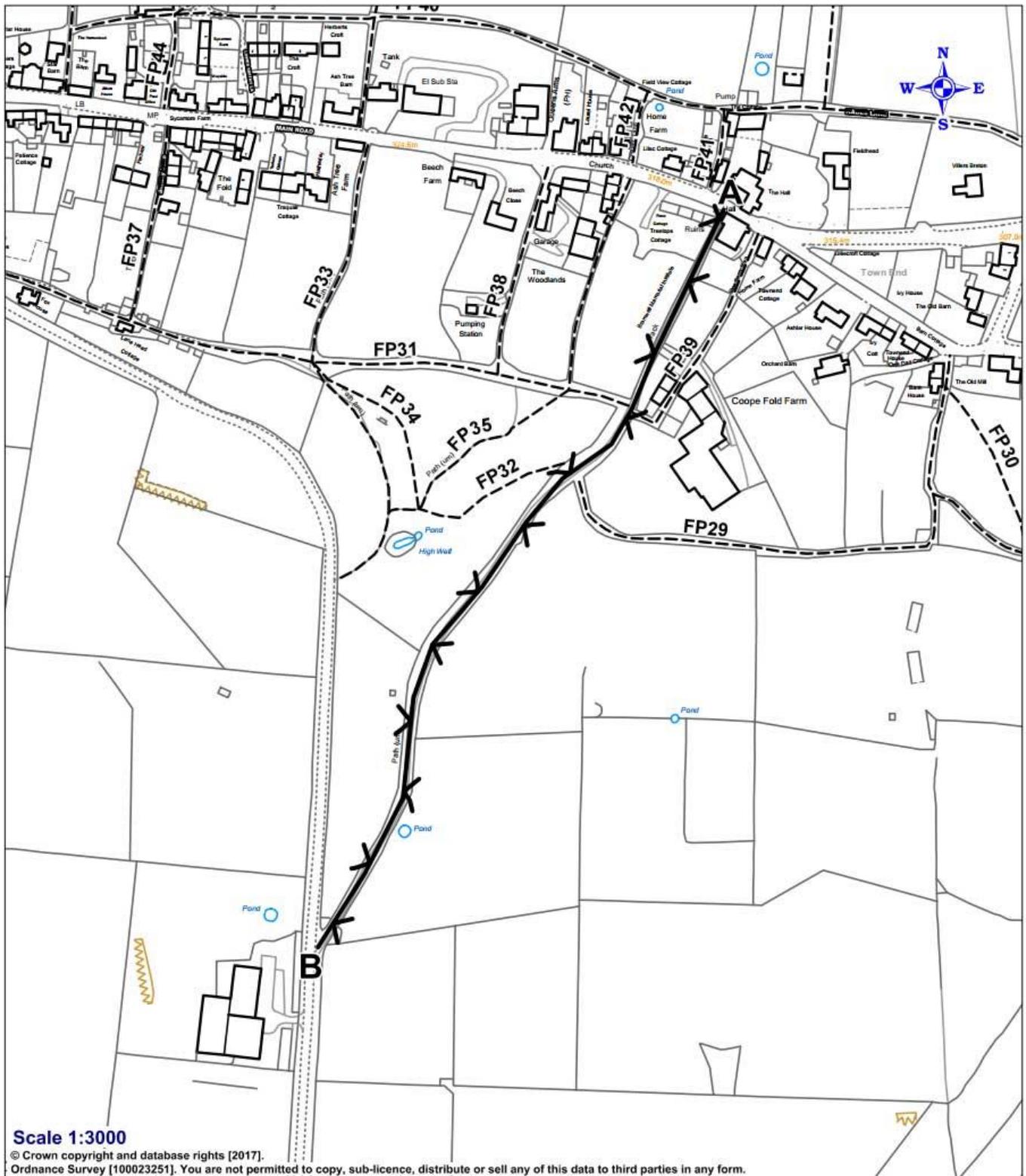
Post your completed UEF and Map to: The Glass Taddington Team,
c/o 25 Belper Road,
Ashbourne DE6 1BB

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Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 Section 53
Route Under Investigation along non classified highway known as Dakin Dale Road between Main Road, Taddington and road east of Slipper Low - Parish of Taddington.

Key: Route Under Investigation
 Existing Footpath
 Path Number **FP32**

