## APPLICATION FOR A MODIFICATION ORDER

FORM WCA5

## WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT, 1981

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Date 08 October 2018

The Wildlife and Countryside (Definitive Maps and Statements) Regulations, 1983 (Schedule 7)	
Regulations, 1985 (Schedule 7)	
DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT FOR THE PARISH OF <u>Temple Sowerby</u>	
DISTRICT OF <u>Eden</u> PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY. Temple Sowerby	7
TO: CUMBRIA COUNTY COUNCIL	
OF: COUNTRYSIDE MAPPING, THE PARKHOUSE BUILDING, KINGMOOR BUSINESS PARK, CARLISLE, CUMBRIA, CA6 4SJ	
I/We (Name of applicant) Peter E Robin	
Of (Address of applicant) 9 Caldy Road West Kirby Wirral CH48 2HE	
hereby apply for an Order under Section 53(2) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 modifying the Definitive Map and Statements for the area by	
1 Adding the *(FOOTPATH) (bridleway) (restricted byway) (byway open to traffic)	
From: public road NY612281	
To: Acorn Bank NY 616282	
*(Upgrading) (downgrading) to a *(footpath) (bridleway) (restricted byway) (byway open to all traffic) the *(footpath) (bridleway) (restricted byway) (byway open to all traffic) From:	
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and shown on the map attached.	
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I/We attach copies of the following documentary evidence (including statements of witnesses) in support of this application:	
List of Documents provided	

Signed



## Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981

The Definitive Map and Statement of Public Rights of Way in Cumbria

To: Cumbria County Council
The Courts, English Street
Carlisle CA3 8NA

I, Dr Peter Ernest Robin of 32 Wattsfield Road Kendal LA9 5JN (and jointly with The Ramblers Association of 2nd Floor Camelford House 87-90 Albert Embankment London SE1 7TW)

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:

Adding a Footpath in the Parish of Temple Sowerby from public road to Acorn Bank NY612281 to 616282 as shown on the map accompanying this application.

1. This application is made because, on the cut off day,

The effect of s.53(1) and (2) Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 on a public path that existed prior to 1949, still exists on the cut-off date, and hasn't been a highway of a different description in between, and is not shown in the definitive map and statement at all is to extinguish all rights on that route. (This applies if the route is determined to be a footpath or bridleway.)

- 2. In order to be able to modify the definitive map and statement, the Surveying Authority needs to have a discovery of evidence which shows, on the balance of probabilities that highway rights exist. The use of the 'balance of probabilities' test rather than 'beyond reasonable doubt' was confirmed by the High Court in *Todd, Bradley v SOS for EFRA* [2004] 4 All ER 497.
- 3. The courts have given guidance on how evidence of highway status is to be considered. In Fortune and Others v Wiltshire Council and Another [2012] EWCA Civ 334, Lewison LJ said, at paragraph 22,

In the nature of things where an inquiry goes back over many years (or, in the case of disputed highways, centuries) direct evidence will often be impossible to find. The fact finding tribunal must draw inferences from circumstantial evidence. The nature of the evidence that the fact finding tribunal may consider in deciding whether or not to draw an inference is almost limitless. As Pollock CB famously directed the jury in *R v Exall* (1866) 4 F & F 922:

"It has been said that circumstantial evidence is to be considered as a chain, and each piece of evidence as a link in the chain, but that is not so, for then, if any one link broke, the chain would fall. It is more like the case of a rope composed of several cords. One strand of the cord might be insufficient to sustain the weight, but three stranded together may be quite of sufficient strength."

4. While no single piece of evidence may be conclusive, the applicant believes that taken as a whole the pieces of evidence demonstrate highway reputation over many years, indicating that the route does indeed have highway status

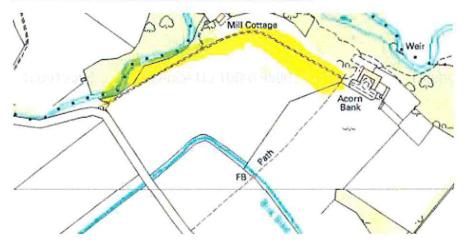
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## I append the following List of Evidence

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Path Ref. Temple Sowerby 1

Extract from CCC Illustrative Definitive Map 1:10000



This track is depicted in every map from 1860 to 2018 and currently links with a public footpath

