

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
REGISTER OF DEPOSITS



KCC Reference number: **34/20**

- ✓ Highways Statement
- ✓ Landowner Statement
- ✓ Highways Declaration

Date Deposit application received: **15/12/2020**

Date on which any Highways Declaration expires: **18/12/2040**

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Details of the land:

Districts	Tunbridge Wells
Parishes	Brenchley & Matfield, Horsmonden, Paddock Wood
Address & postcode of buildings on land parcels	Map A - Mile Oak Farm, Paddock Wood, Kent, TN12 6NG; Mascalls Court Farm (part of), Paddock Wood, Kent, TN12 6NB, one parcel of land to the west side of Map A, to the south of Mascalls School. Map B - Burrs Hill Farm, Horsmonden Road, Brenchley, Kent, TN12 7AT. Map C - Crouches Farm, Furnace lane, Horsmonden, Kent, TN12 8LX, the parcel of land to the west side of Map C; Kirkins Farm, Maidstone Road, Horsmonden, Kent, TN12 8NE, the parcel of land to the east side of Map C.

Nearest town/city	Map A - Paddock Wood; Map B - Brenchley; Map C - Horsmonden
OS 6-figure grid reference	Map A - TQ 675 436 Map B - TQ 687 400 Map C - TQ 697 409

KCC Contact: Definitive Map Officer

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Email: prow@kent.gov.uk

Form CA17

Notice of landowner deposit statement under section 31(6) of the Highways Act 1980 and/or section 15A(1) of the Commons Act 2006

The Kent County Council

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<http://www.defra.gov.uk/rural/protected/greens/> for further information.

There is no means of objection to this statement.

Description of the land:

Map A - Mile Oak Farm, Paddock Wood, Kent, TN12 6NG; Mascalls Court Farm (part of), Paddock Wood, Kent, TN12 6NB, one parcel of land to the west side of Map A, to the south of Mascalls School.

Name of the Parish, Ward or District in which the land is situated:

Brenchley & Matfield, Horsmonden, Paddock Wood - Tunbridge Wells

The deposit was submitted by Ian Ernest Overy and was received by this authority on 15/12/2020.

The authority maintains a register of maps, statements and declarations deposited under section 31(6) of the Highways Act 1980 and section 15B of the Commons Act 2006.

This register can be accessed online at: <http://www.kent.gov.uk/waste-planning-and-land/public-rights-of-way/landowner-protection> or can be inspected free of charge at the address below at the times indicated below:

PROW & Access Service, Invicta House – County Hall, Maidstone, Kent, ME14 1XX
Monday-Friday between the hours of 10.00am-4.00pm. For further information on this subject or to make an appointment to view the register in the office, please contact **Mrs Maria McLauchlan on 03000 413420**.

Signed on behalf of **The Kent County Council**:



Name and Position of Signatory: Graham Rusling,
PROW & Access Service Manager

Date: 28 January 2021



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Description of the land:

Map B - Burrs Hill Farm, Horsmonden Road, Brenchley, Kent, TN12 7AT.

Name of the Parish, Ward or District in which the land is situated:

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Map C - Crouches Farm, Furnace lane, Horsmonden, Kent, TN12 8LX, the parcel of land to the west side of Map C; Kirkins Farm, Maidstone Road, Horsmonden, Kent, TN12 8NE, the parcel of land to the east side of Map C.

Name of the Parish, Ward or District in which the land is situated:

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Application Form

Form CA16

Application Form for deposits under section 31(6) of the Highways Act 1980 and section 15A(1) of the Commons Act 2006

Please read the following guidance carefully before completing this form

1. Further guidance relating to completion of this form is available from

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Please refer to these separate notes when completing this form.

2. **Parts A and F must be completed in all cases.**

3. The form **must** be signed and dated by, or by a duly authorised representative of, **every** owner of land to which the application relates who is an individual, and by the secretary or some other duly authorised officer of every owner of land to which the application relates which is a body corporate or an unincorporated association.

4. In the case of land in joint ownership **all** the joint owners must complete paragraphs 2 and 3 of Part A and complete and sign the application in Part F, unless a duly authorised representative completes and signs the form on behalf of all of the owners of the land.

Paragraph 3 should be completed in full to clearly explain the capacity of each applicant e.g. trustee, landowner's managing agent, executor.

5. 'Owner' is defined in section 61(3) of the Commons Act 2006 and section 31(7) of the Highways Act 1980 and means, broadly, a legal owner of the freehold interest in the land.

6. Where the application relates to more than one parcel of land, a description of **each** parcel should be included in Paragraph 4 of Part A and the remainder of the form should be completed to clearly identify which statement and/or declaration relates to which parcel of land. This may require the insertion of additional wording. See separate notes for further guidance. Multiple parcels of land should be clearly identified by coloured edging on any accompanying map.

7. Where a statement or declaration requires reference to colouring shown on an accompanying map or previously lodged map, the colouring must be clearly specified and must match that shown on the relevant map. For example, if a footpath is specified in a Part C declaration as shown coloured brown, the accompanying map or previously deposited map referred to must reflect that colouring.

8. An application **must** be accompanied by an ordnance map, or (in respect of declarations under Part C or statements under Part D of this form) refer to a map previously deposited in accordance with the Commons (Registration of Town or Village Greens) and Dedicated Highways (Landowner Statements and Declaration) (England) Regulations 2013 or (if deposited before 1st October 2013) in accordance with section 31(6) of the Highways Act 1980. Any accompanying map must be an ordnance map at a scale of not less than 1:10,560 showing the boundary of the land to which the application relates in coloured edging.

9. An application must be accompanied by the requisite fee.

10. 'Appropriate authority' means (a) in relation to a map or statement deposited or declaration lodged under section 31(6) of that Act, an appropriate council (as defined in section 31(7) of the Highways Act 1980); and (b) in relation to a statement and map deposited under section 15A(1) of the 2006 Act, a commons registration authority (defined in section 4 of the Commons Act 2006 and section 2 of the Commons Registration Act 1965). In practice, the appropriate council and commons registration authority will usually be the same body.

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:

Kent County Council

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

Ernest Ian Overy
Mile Oak Farm
Paddock Wood
Tonbridge
Kent. TN12 6NG

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**):

MAP A

Mile Oak Farm, Paddock Wood, Tonbridge, Kent, TN12 6NG
Two parcels of land to the east side of Map A, either side of Mascalls Court Lane.

Mascalls Court Farm (part of), Paddock Wood, Tonbridge, Kent, TN12 6NB
One parcel of land to the west side of Map A, to the south of Mascalls School.

MAP B

Burrs Hill Farm, Horsmonden Road, Brenchley, Tonbridge, Kent, TN12 7AT

MAP C

Crouches Farm, Furnace Lane, Horsmonden, Tonbridge, Kent, TN12 8LX
The parcel of land to the west side of Map C

Kirkins Farm, Maidstone Road, Horsmonden, Tonbridge, Kent, TN12 8NE
The parcel of land to the east side of Map C

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

6. This deposit comprises the following statement(s) and/or declarations (tick all that apply):

☒ Part B (Highways Statement)

☐ Part C (Highways Declaration)

☒ Part D (Landowner Statement)

PART B:
Statement under section 31(6) of the Highways Act 1980

I, Ernest Ian Overy am the owner of the land described in paragraph 4 of Part A of this form and shown edged in RED on the maps accompanying this statement.

Ways shown YELLOW on the accompanying map are public footpaths.

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

PART D:
Statement under section 15A(1) of the Commons Act 2006

I, Ernest Ian Overy 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.

I, Ernest Ian Overy 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 edged in RED on the accompanying map.

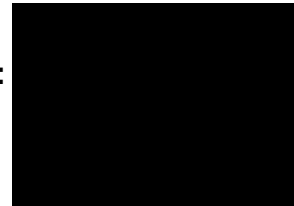
PART E:
Additional information relevant to the application
(insert any additional information relevant to the application)

PART F:
Statement of Truth
(all applicants must complete this Part)

WARNING: If you dishonestly enter information or make a statement that you know is, or might be, untrue or misleading, and intend by doing so to make a gain for yourself or another person, or to cause loss or the risk of loss to another person, you may commit the offence of fraud under section 1 of the Fraud Act 2006, the maximum penalty for which is 10 years' imprisonment or an unlimited fine, or both.

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

Signature (of the person making the statement of truth):



Print full name:

ERNEST IAN QUERY

Date:

10th December 2020

You should keep a copy of the completed form

General Data Protection Regulations (Data Protection Act 1998) – Fair Processing Notice

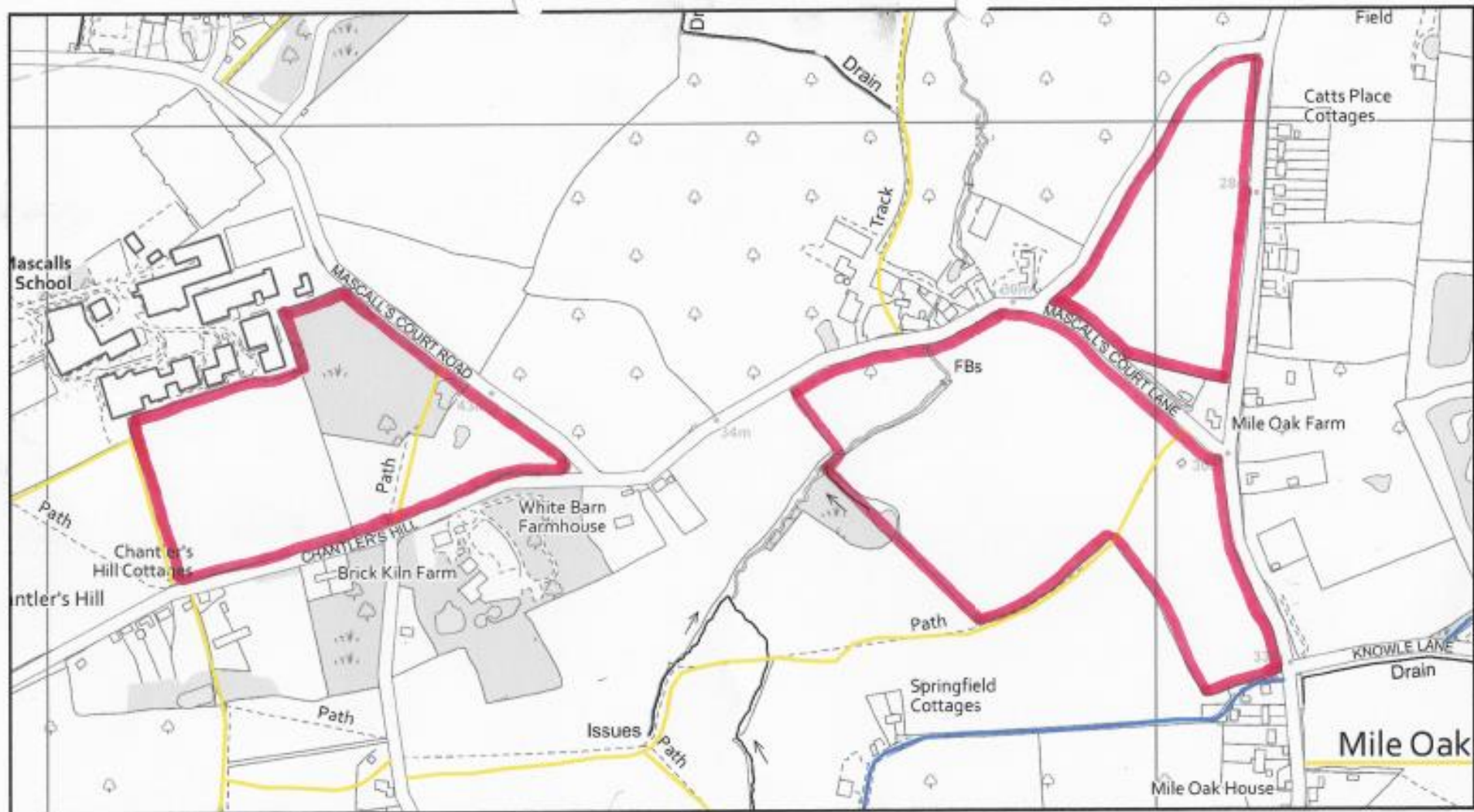
How and why are we processing your personal data?

The purpose of this Fair Processing Notice is to inform you of the use that will be made of your personal data, as required by the Data Protection Act 1998.

The appropriate authority (see explanation of definition in above guidance notes) in England is the data controller in respect of any personal data that you provide when you complete this form.

The information that you provide will be used by the appropriate authority in its duties to process applications to deposit statements, maps and declarations under section 31(6) the Highways Act 1980 and statements under section 15A(1) of the Commons Act 2006.

You are providing your personal details which include your name and address to enable the processing of applications to deposit statements, maps and declarations under section 31(6) the Highways Act 1980 and statements under section 15A(1) of the Commons Act 2006 (processing is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation). The information you provide will also be used to fulfil its duty to update the registers in which details of such deposits are recorded under the Dedicated Highways (Registers under Section 31A of the Highways Act 1980) (England) Regulations 2007 and the Commons (Registration of Town or Village Greens) and Dedicated Highways (Landowner Statements and Declarations) England) Regulations 2013. KCC's Public Rights of Way & Access Service is required by the legislation above to maintain a register which holds information provided in this form, which can be inspected online or in person by members of the public on request. It may also be required to release information, including personal data and commercial information, on request under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 or the Freedom of Information Act 2000. However, KCC's Public Rights of Way & Access Service will not permit any unwarranted breach of confidentiality nor will they act in contravention of their obligations under the General Data Protection Regulations (Data Protection Act 1998).



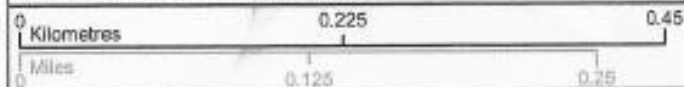
Key

- Public Footpath
- Public Bridleway
- Restricted Byway
- Byway Open to All Traffic

Paddock Wood Map

MAP A

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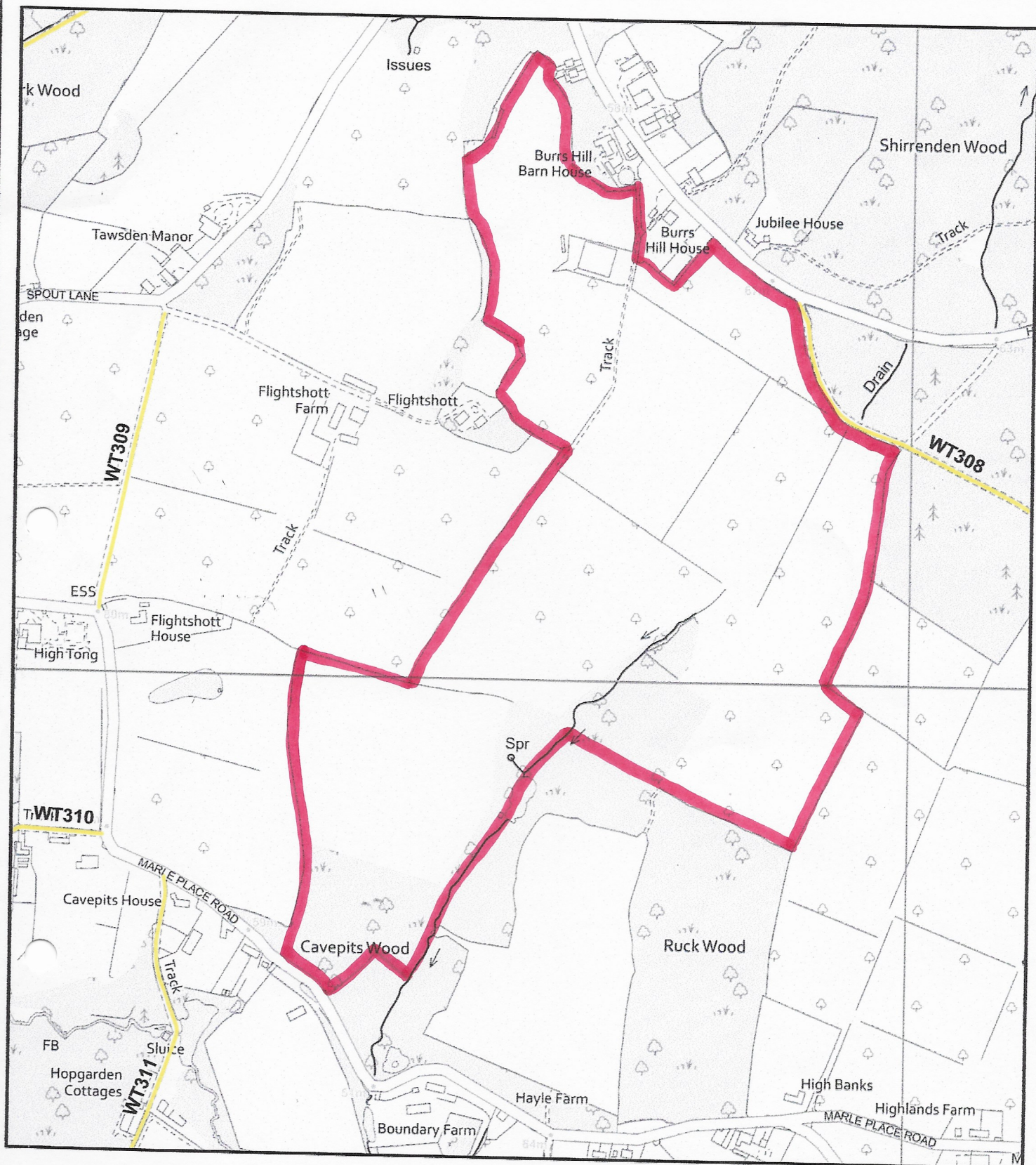
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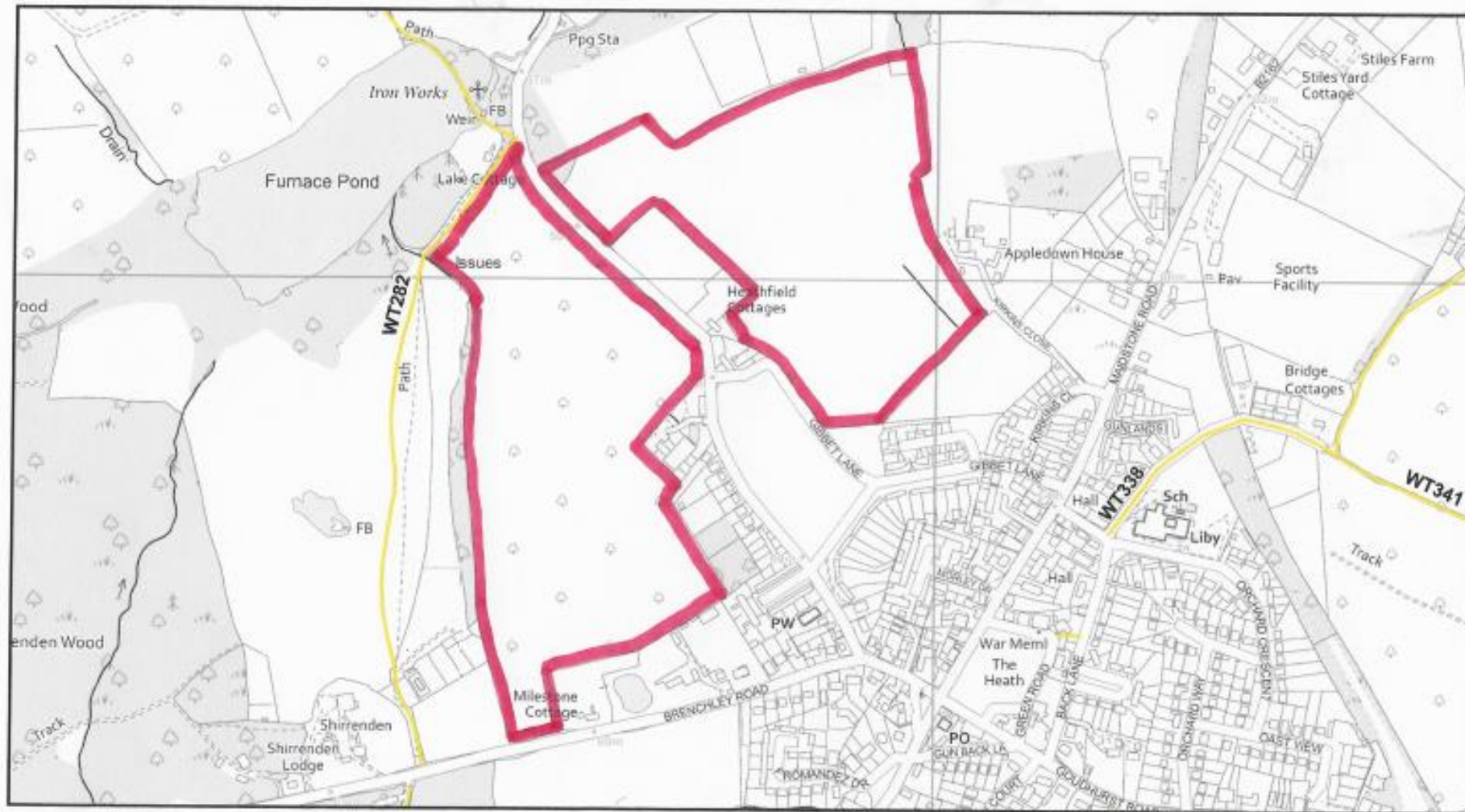


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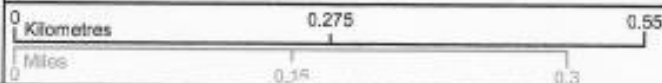
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The parcel of land to the west side of Map C

Kirkins Farm

Maidstone Road

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

6. This deposit comprises the following statement(s) and/or declarations (tick all that apply):

☒ Part C (Highways Declaration)

PART C:
Declaration under section 31(6) of the Highways Act 1980

1. I, Ernest Ian Overy, am the owner of the land described in paragraph 4 of Part A of this form and shown edged in RED on the map lodged with Kent County Council on 17th December 2020.

2. On the 17th day of December 2020 I, Ernest Ian Overy deposited with Kent County Council, being the appropriate council, a statement accompanied by a map showing my property edged in RED which stated that:

The ways shown YELLOW on that map had been dedicated as footpaths.

No other ways had been dedicated as highways over my property.

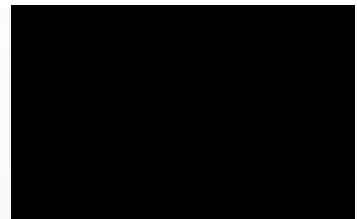
4. No additional ways have been dedicated over the land edged in RED on the map referenced in paragraph 1 above since the statement deposited on 17th December 2020 referred to in paragraph 2 above, and at the present time I, Ernest Ian Overy, have no intention of dedicating any more public rights of way over my property.

PART F:
Statement of Truth
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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):



Print full name:

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Date:

17th December 2020

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