

LYNTON BOYDON of Manifold Cottage, Ilam, DO SOLEMNLY AND SINCERELY
DECLARE as follows:-

1. I am a former employee of the firm of 'Boydons' which was owned by my parents and my uncle and aunt. I worked at Boydons Garage, Winkhill from 1970 until it was closed in early 2007. The site is known to me and shown on the plan annexed hereto and, in particular, that part of the site shown edged in pink.
2. Throughout the 36 years that I worked at the site I can confirm that in the early days the site was used as a garage for vehicle repairs of both commercial and domestic vehicles. It was also an MOT station for car and held a licence as a breakers yard. Boydons worked for the local authority as the official accident recovery firm and we recovered thousands of vehicles and trucks, some of which were repairable, others which were broken up on site.
3. The main building was used partly as a transport café and was open seven days a week from early in the morning until early evening and was the main truck stop along the Leek to Ashbourne road. The garage also sold petrol and diesel, latterly just diesel, until approximately ²⁰⁰⁰~~1999~~. The other part of the building was a shop or store for vehicle parts both commercial and domestic vehicles. We also carried out maintenance for all the Biddulph and District wagons. Biddulph and District were corn merchants and owned the depot opposite now known as 'The Mill', and in the occupation of Miss Kath Riley. That building was used as a commercial building for storage and sale and purchase of corn. There were often commercial vehicles parked outside the corn store on the main road and there were deliveries to the store most days.
4. In or around 1980 Boydons' business changed and went into coach hire. There was a large fleet purchased. Coaches would also be repaired there and many broken up, which accounted for the fact that on sale there was a large number of bus parts, tyres and wheels. These were distributed randomly over the whole of the site. Some were there for such a length of time that vegetation had grown around them.
5. I can confirm from my daily work at Boydons site that it was used for commercial purposes throughout that time. Coupled with the corn store opposite it was generally an area of commercial use. I can categorically state that the Boydons site was never at any time used by the residents of the locality as a village green and it would be ludicrous to suggest such a thing. The whole of the site has always been used for repairing and breaking vehicles of all descriptions throughout the period I worked

there and previously during the whole of the time the property was owned by my parents and uncle and aunt who purchased the site in 1954.

AND I MAKE THIS SOLEMN DECLARATION conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the Statutory Declarations Act 1835 (as amended).

SWORN at 17 Russell Street Leek)
in the County of Staffordshire)
this twentieth)
day of August 2008)

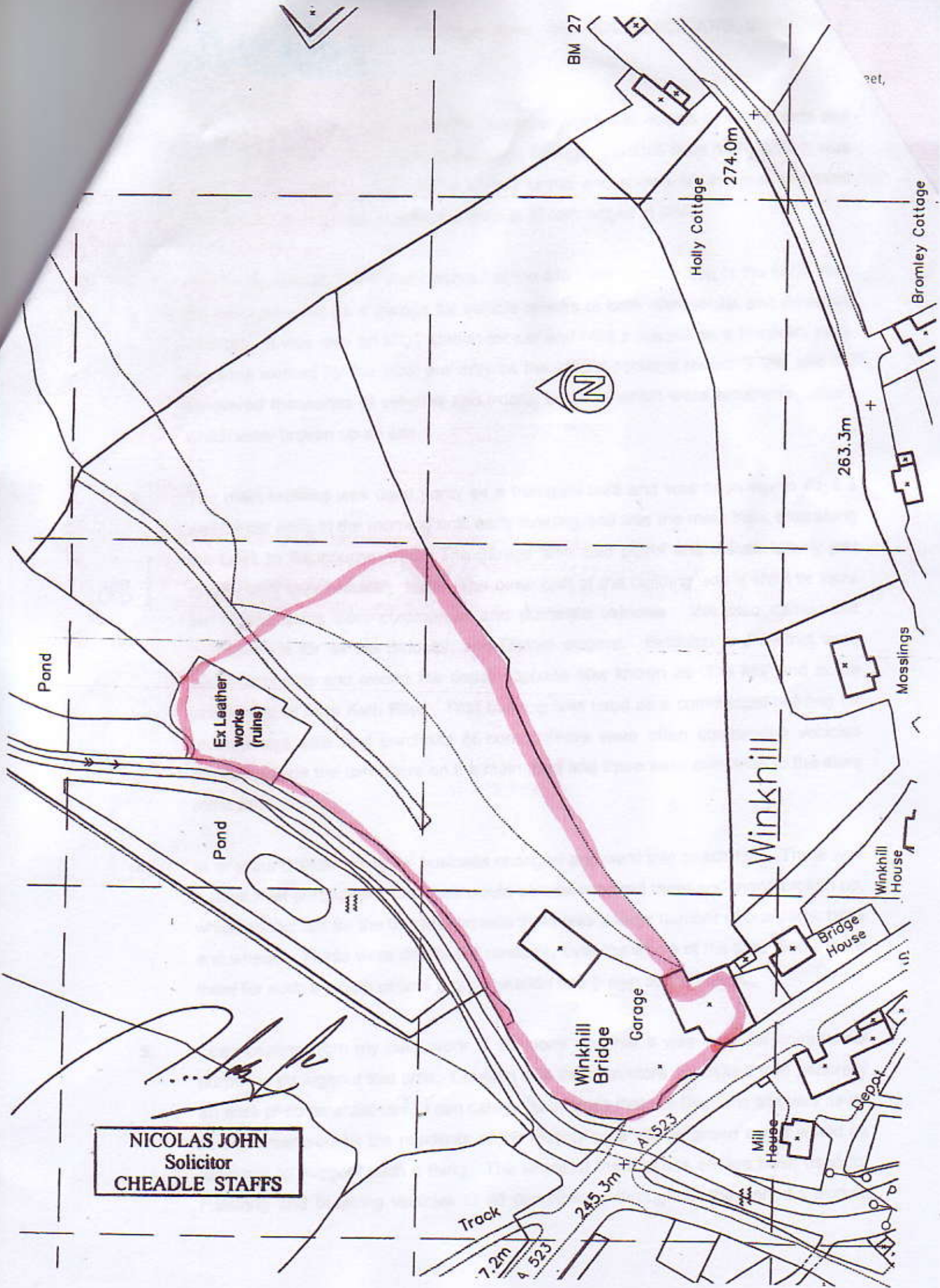
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