

STATUTORY DECLARATION

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 – Section 191

I, Ian Smith, of Lane Head Farm, Holehouse Lane, Brown Edge, Staffordshire, ST9 9AF DO SOLEMNLY AND SINCERELY DECLARE as follows:

1. I am the occupier of Lane Head Farm, Holehouse Lane, Brown Edge, and have lived at this address since approximately [2003].
2. I am familiar with the land adjacent to my property which is owned and operated by Ladyview Kennels and includes a field used for the exercising of dogs in connection with the boarding kennels ('the dog walking field').
3. From my own direct knowledge, the dog walking field has been used continuously and regularly for the commercial exercising of dogs associated with Ladyview Kennels since approximately 2006.
4. During this period, I have observed dogs being walked and exercised in the field as part of the day to day operation of the kennels, including:
 - dogs being taken into the field by kennel staff
 - dogs being exercised on a frequent and routine basis
 - use occurring throughout the year and over many years
5. The use of the field for dog exercising has been ongoing, uninterrupted, and consistent to the best of my knowledge and has not materially changed during the time that I have lived at Lane Head Farm.
6. I also rent the adjacent field from Ladyview Kennels, which I use for silaging and livestock grazing. My regular agricultural use of this neighbouring land has given me a clear and continuous view of, and familiarity with, the dog walking field and how it is used.
7. At no time since approximately 2006 have I been aware of:
 - any cessation of the dog walking use
 - any enforcement action taken by the Local Planning Authority in respect of this use
 - any requirement for the use to cease or be altered
8. I make this declaration from my own knowledge and recollection and in support of an application for a Lawful Development Certificate confirming the long established use of the land for commercial dog walking purposes in connection with Ladyview Kennels.

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