

## **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. Guidance relating to completion of this form is available from <http://www.defra.gov.uk/rural/protected/greens/>. 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 relate which is a body or 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 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 include 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 Declarations) (England) Regulations 2013 or (if deposited before 1<sup>st</sup> 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 to the appropriate authority i.e. Shropshire Council. (Details in Shropshire Council's public guidance note 18 'Prevention of new rights of way being claimed')

**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:

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

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 ----- who is the owner of the land(s) described in paragraph 4

*[insert name of owner]*

and in my capacity as -----

*[insert details e.g. trustee/landowner's agent]*

4. Insert description of the land(s) to which the application relates (including full address and postcode):

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  
*(delete Parts B,C or D where not applicable):*

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

[I am/ ----- is] the owner of the land described in paragraph 4 of  
*[insert name of owner]*

Part A of this form and shown ----- on the map accompanying this statement.  
*[insert colouring]*

*(delete wording in square brackets as appropriate and/or insert information as required)*

[Ways shown ----- on the accompanying map are byways open to all traffic.]  
*[insert colouring]*

[Ways shown ----- on the accompanying map are restricted byways.]  
*[insert colouring]*

[Ways shown ----- on the accompanying map are public bridleways.]  
*[insert colouring]*

[Ways shown ----- on the accompanying map are public footpaths.]  
*[insert colouring]*

No [other] ways over the land shown ----- on the accompanying map have been  
*[insert colouring]*  
dedicated as highways.

*(delete wording in square brackets as appropriate and/or insert information as required)*

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

1. [I am/ ----- is] the owner of the land described in paragraph 4 of  
*[insert name of owner]*

Part A of this form and shown ----- on the map [accompanying this  
*[insert colouring]*

declaration/lodged with Shropshire Council on -----  
*[insert day, month, year]]*.

*(delete wording in square brackets as appropriate and/or insert information as required)*

2. On the ----- day of ----- [I/my ----- ] predecessor  
*[insert day] [insert month, year] [insert name of owner's]*

in title] ----- deposited with Shropshire Council, being the  
*[insert name]*  
appropriate council, a statement accompanied by a map showing

[my/ ----- ] property ----- which stated that:  
*[insert name of owner's] [insert colour]*

[the ways shown ----- on that map [and on the map accompanying this  
*[insert colouring]*

declaration] had been dedicated as byways open to all traffic]

[the ways shown ----- on that map [and on the map accompanying this  
*[insert colouring]*

declaration] had been dedicated as restricted byways]

[the ways shown ----- on that map [and on the map accompanying this  
*[insert colouring]*

declaration] had been dedicated as bridleways]

[the ways shown ----- on that map [and on the map accompanying this  
*[insert colouring]*

declaration] had been dedicated as footpaths]

No [other] ways had been dedicated as highways over [my/ -----  
*[insert name of owner's]*  
property].

[3. On the ----- day of ----- [I/my ----- ] predecessor  
*[insert day] [insert month, year] [insert name of owner's]*

in title] ----- deposited with Shropshire Council, being the  
*[insert name]*

appropriate council, deposited with Shropshire Council, being the appropriate council, a

declaration dated ----- , stating that no additional ways [other than  
*[insert day, month, year]*  
those marked in the appropriate colour on the map accompanying that declaration] had been  
dedicated as [byways open to all traffic] [restricted byways] [brideways] [footpaths] since the  
deposit of the statement referred to in paragraph 2 above.]

*(delete if not applicable and delete wording in square brackets as appropriate and/or insert  
information as required)*

4. No additional ways have been dedicated over the land ----- on the map  
*[insert colouring]*  
[accompanying this declaration/referenced in paragraph 1 above] since the statement  
dated ----- referred to in paragraph 2 above [since the date of  
*[insert day, month, year]*  
the declaration referred to in paragraph 3 above] [other than those [byways open to all  
traffic] [restricted byways] [brideways] [footpaths] marked in the appropriate colour on the  
map accompanying this declaration] and at the present time [I/ ----- ]  
*[insert name of owner]*  
[have/has] no intention of dedicating any more public rights of way over [my/the]  
property.

*(delete wording in square brackets as appropriate and/or insert information as required)*

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

[I am/ ----- is] the owner of the land described in paragraph 4 of  
*[insert name of owner]*

Part A of this form and shown ----- on the map [accompanying this  
*[insert colouring]*

statement/deposited with Shropshire Council on -----  
*[insert day, month, year].*

[I/ ----- ] [wish/wishes] to bring to an end any period during which  
*[insert name of owner]*

persons may have indulged as of right in lawful sports and pastimes on the whole or any part  
of the land shown ----- on the [accompanying map/map referenced above].  
*[insert colouring]*

*(delete wording in square brackets as appropriate and/or insert information as required)*

**PART E: Additional information relevant to the application**

(insert any additional information relevant to the application in the space below)

**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 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:**

**Date:**

**You should keep a copy of the completed form**

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**Data protection Act 1998 – Fair Processing Notice**

*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 in England (i.e. Shropshire Council in the case of this application) 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 application 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. The information you provide will also be used by the appropriate authority in its duty to update the registers in which details of such deposits are recorded under the Dedicated Highways (Registration of Town or Village Greens) and Dedicated Highways (Landowner Statements and Declarations) (England) Regulations 2013*

*The appropriate authority 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 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, the appropriate authority will not permit any unwarranted breach of confidentiality nor will they act in contravention of their obligations under the Data Protection Act 1998.*