

APPLICATION FORM FOR A MODIFICATION TO THE DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981

To: The Outdoor Recreation Manager, Outdoor Recreation, **Shropshire Council**, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury. SY2 6ND

I, Will Steel, for and on behalf of the British Horse Society, of Abbey Park, Stareton, Kenilworth, Warwickshire. CV8 2XZ.

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:-

(a) Adding the bridleway which runs from: the public road C1046/20 at OSGR SJ4063 2499 (marked point A on the accompanying map) to a junction with public bridleway numbers 0202/14-1/BW & 0202/14A-0/BW at OSGR SJ4067 2476 (marked point B)

and shown on the map accompanying this application.

I attach copies of the following documentary evidence in support of this application:-

- Natural England Discovering Lost Ways Case File SH/019/002 BHS which contains copies of the following documents or extracts thereof:
- Ordnance Survey 1" Old Series, SHR Ordnance Survey Old Series 1": 1mile, entitled "Folder 1 1833 1835", dated 1833 1835
- Railway Book of Reference, SHR DP/317, entitled "Shrewsbury, Oswestry and Chester Junction Railway Book of Reference", dated 1844
- Railway Plan, SHR DP/317, entitled "Plans and Sections of the Shrewsbury, Oswestry & Chester Junction Railway", dated 1844
- Ordnance Survey 25" 1st Edition, BL Vol 689 (15), entitled "Shropshire (Northern Division) Sheet XX.11 Baschurch & Hordley Parishes", dated 1880
- Ordnance Survey 25" 2nd Edition, BL 1600 (51), entitled "SECOND EDITION SHROPSHIRE SHEET XX. 11", dated 1900
- Finance Act Survey Map, TNA IR 132/4/201, entitled "Shropshire Sheet XX. 11 2nd Edition 1901", dated 1909/1910
- Finance Act Survey Field Book, TNA IR 58/75640, entitled "Baschurch Assessment No. 1-100", dated 1910

I understand that the information I have provided may be imparted to third parties.

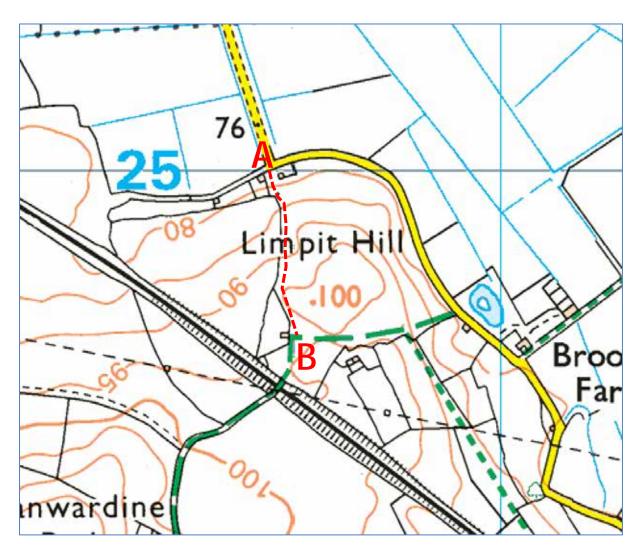
Signed: ... Date: 20/8/2020

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Map to Accompany Definitive Map Modification Order Application

For a route at Limpit Hill in the Parish of Baschurch, Shropshire to be shown as a Public Bridleway

Applicant's Reference: DLW SH-019-002



Map produced from extract of Ordnance Survey 1:25,000 scale mapping. When printed on A4 paper, the scale will be not less than 1:25,000 and thus meets the requirement of regulation 2 and regulation 8(2) of The Wildlife and Countryside (Definitive Maps and Statements) Regulations 1993.



Client:

Natural England Discovering Lost Ways Project

Case File Ref. No.	SH/019/002
Name	Un-named
Historic County	Shropshire
Sub-Unit	Shropshire Sub-unit 1
Parish(es)	Baschurch
Surveying Authority	Shropshire County Council
Definitive Map Ref. No.	None
Other Designation(s)	None
Ref. No.	Ttono
Route Length	240 metres
OS 1:10,000 Sheet(s)	SJ42SW
Grid Ref (start)	SJ4063 2499
Grid Ref (end)	SJ4067 2476
ARU ASSESSMENT OUT	COME
Status/Class	Public Bridleway
Strength	None attributed – already subject to
	a DMMO application
Comment	Part described in the deposited Railway Records as "Public Bridle
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Date:

02 May 2008

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1. Summary of Findings

Case SH/019/002 was included in the research scope by the Discovering Lost Ways project as the route is subject to a DMMO application to add the route to the definitive map as a public bridleway. In light of this Shropshire County Council requested that historical documents be examined to confirm whether there was evidence of the existence of public bridleway rights over the route.

From the documents examined it is possible to establish that the route is shown on the Deposited Railway Records. Part of the length of the route is shown specifically numbered with the corresponding entry in the book of reference describing the route as a "Public Bridle Road". The route is also shown on the Finance Act Survey map included within the hereditaments. There is a deduction for public rights of way or user given in the associated field book, however, this is inadequately accounted for on the map, given that there are other definitive rights of way running through the same hereditament. The route is also shown on the supporting Ordnance Survey maps but these provide no evidence of status.

The Ordnance Survey 1" Revised New Series map shows the route on the map and is described in the key under the heading "3rd Class Metalled Roads". For the purpose of the Discovering Lost Ways Project research it has been agreed that the showing of routes as 1st, 2nd or 3rd class metalled roads on OS 1" New Series maps will be taken as evidence of the existence of public vehicular rights. It is considered therefore that a public vehicular right of way existed over the route at the time of the survey.

The evidence found supports the addition of the length of the case file route to the definitive map as a public bridleway. Given that the route is already subject to a definitive map modification order application the case file has not been attributed to a strength category.

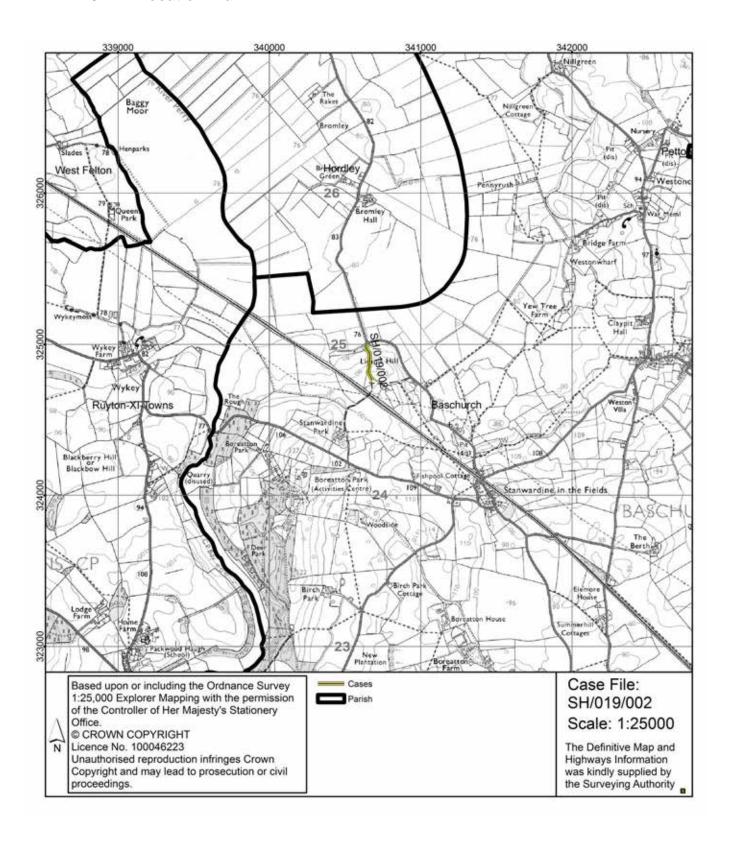
2. Description of Route

The route begins at junction with public road C1046/20 (the reference given on Shropshire County Council's list of streets) at coordinate SJ4063 2499 (point A on the case file route map). The route then heads in a southerly direction to where it terminates at a junction with public bridleway numbers 0202/14-1/BW & 0202/14A-0/BW (there references given on Shropshire County Council's definitive map and statement) at coordinate SJ4067 2476 (Point B on the case file route map)

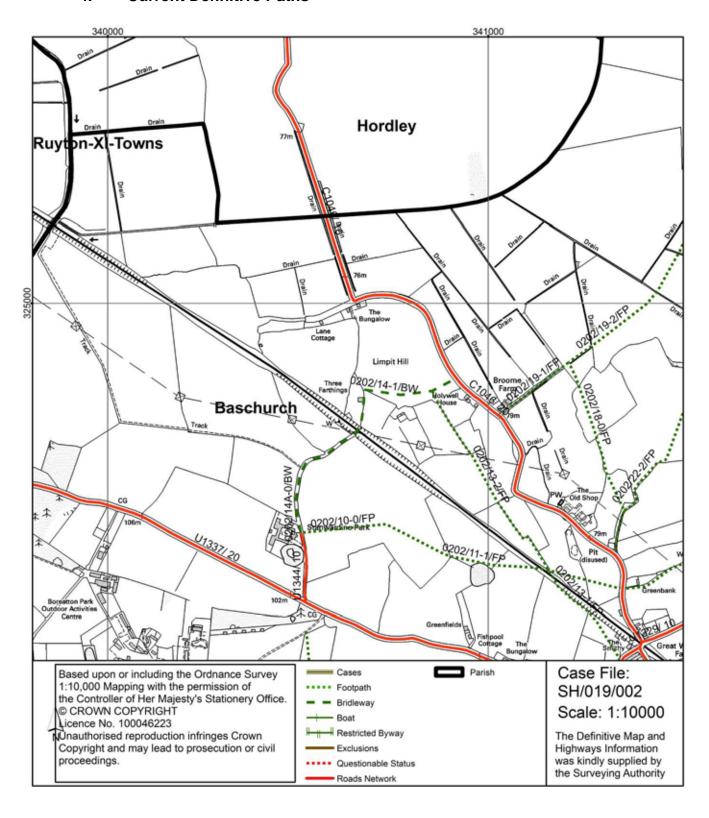
The route has a length of 240 metres

During the research process, the whole of the case file reference number SH/019/002 was identified with the case route number T000725. Both references are used in section 6 of this report. Where documents are considered to contain relevant evidence the case route number is used (in bold). Where there is no evidence the case file reference number is used (plain text)

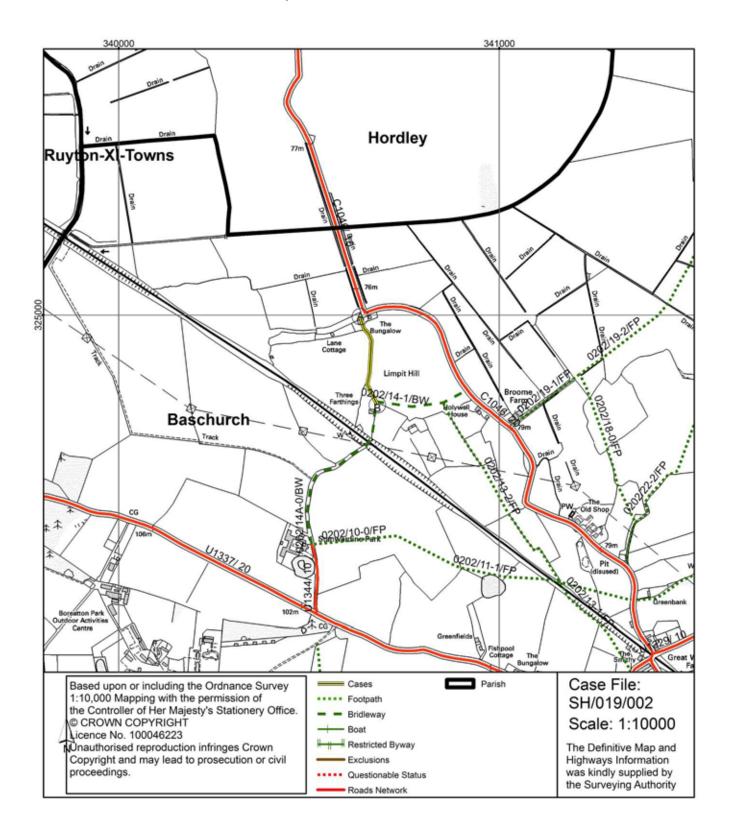
3. Location Plan



4. Current Definitive Paths



5. Case File Route Map



6. Details of Documentary Evidence

Records were examined at the locations detailed in the following table. A reference code has been allocated to each archive.

Archive	Address	Reference code
British Library	The British Library, St Pancras, 96 Euston Road, London, NW1 2DB	BL
Shropshire Record Office	Shrewsbury,	
House of Lords Records Office Parliamentary Archives, HLRC London, SW1A 0PW, United Kingdom		HLRO
LandAspects, Rowan House, Lloyd LandAspects Drive. Ellesmere Port, Cheshire, CH65 9HQ		LA
The National Archives	The National Archives, Kew, Richmond, Surrey, TW9 4DU	TNA

The following records were examined as part of the research programme. The documents are listed in chronological order. Those documents that are considered to contain relevant evidence for case SH/019/002 are shown in **bold**. This information is arranged in a standard format as follows:

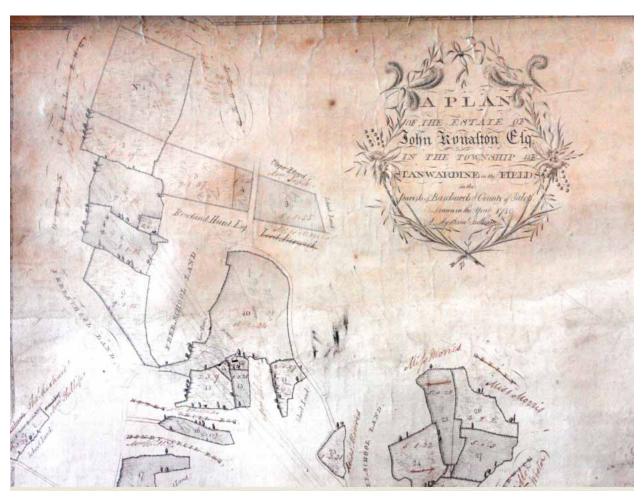
Document Type, the Archive Reference Code, followed by the Document Reference Code, the Title and Date.

Where a document was researched at the British Library (with an archive reference code BL) no digital image was captured.

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provided by Landmark. The image tiles can therefore only be used as a guide as to what the original document held at the British Library depicted. If the reader of the case files wishes to qualify any statements that have been in the file then they should consult versions held at the British Library.

1. Estate Map, SHR 1313/4, entitled "A Plan of the Estate of John Konalton Esq. in the Township of Stanwardine in the Fields in the Parish of Baschurch of County of Salop. Drawn in the year 1780", dated 1780, covers the area but demonstrates no evidence for case SH/019/002.



2. Non-Ordnance Survey Commercial Map, SHR R BAUGH 1808 sheet 1, entitled "To the Right Honourable EDWARD EARL OF POWLS Lord Lieutenant and Custos Rotulorum of the Counties of SALOP AND MONTGOMERY This MAP of SHROPSHIRE is humbly and respectfully dedicated by his LORDSHIPS obliged and obedient Servant ROBERT BAUGH", dated 1808, covers the area but demonstrates no evidence for case SH/019/002.

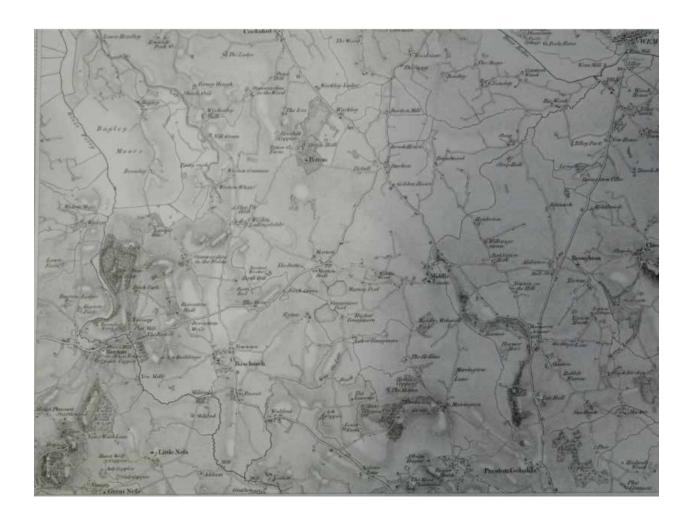


3. Non-Ordnance Survey Commercial Map, SHR GREENWOODS 1827, entitled "Map of the County of SALOP FROM AN ACTUAL SURVEY BY C. & J. GREENWOOD.", dated 1827, covers the area but demonstrates no evidence for case SH/019/002.



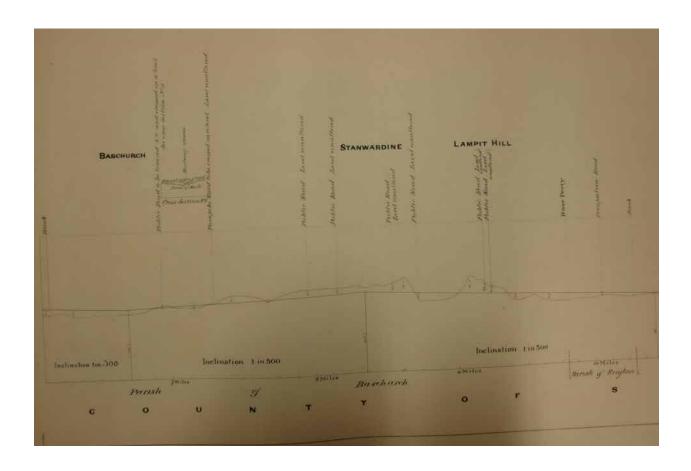
- 4. Ordnance Survey Surveyors Drawings, SHR 320 (E), entitled "PART of SHROPSHIRE", dated 1827, covers the area but demonstrates no evidence for case SH/019/002.
- 5. Ordnance Survey 1" Old Series, SHR Ordnance Survey Old Series 1": 1mile, entitled "Folder 1 1833 1835", dated 1833 1835, demonstrates evidence for all of route T000725. The route is observed to commence at a road junction north of "Lampit Hill" marked on the map. The route is shown on the map and

is depicted as consisting of two parallel solid black lines. The route is observed to terminate north west of "Lampit Hill" marked on the map.

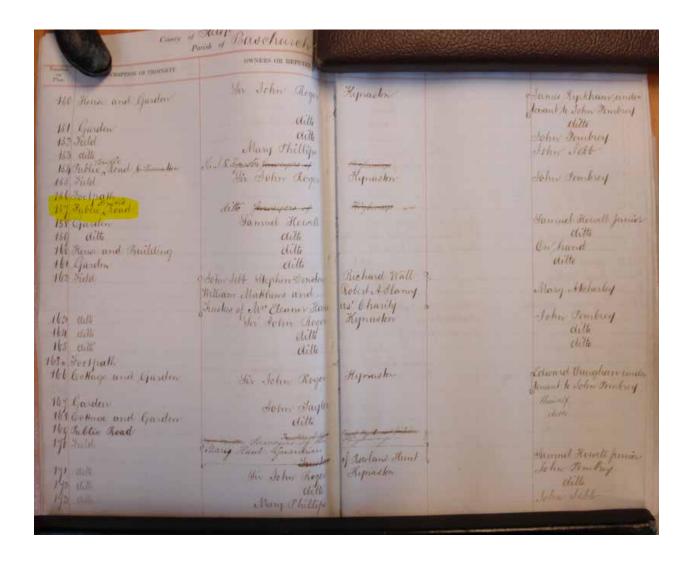




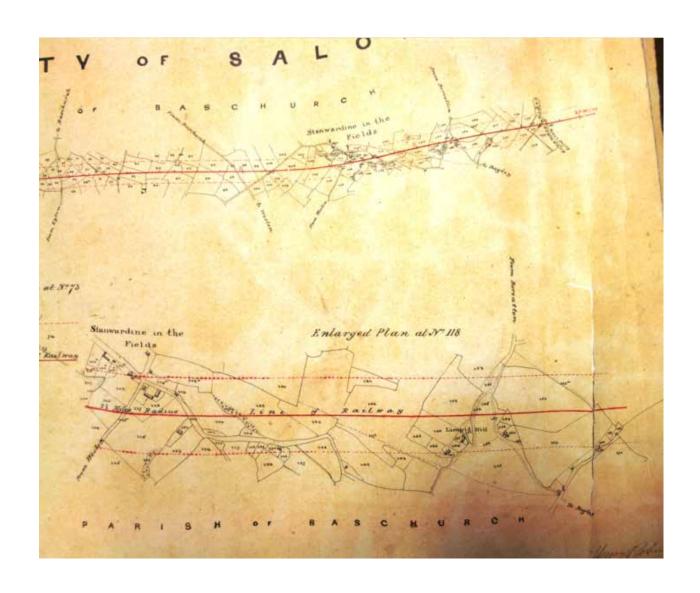
6. Railway Section, SHR DP/317, entitled "Plans and Sections of the Shrewsbury, Oswestry & Chester Junction Railway", dated 1844, covers the area but demonstrates no evidence for case SH/019/002.

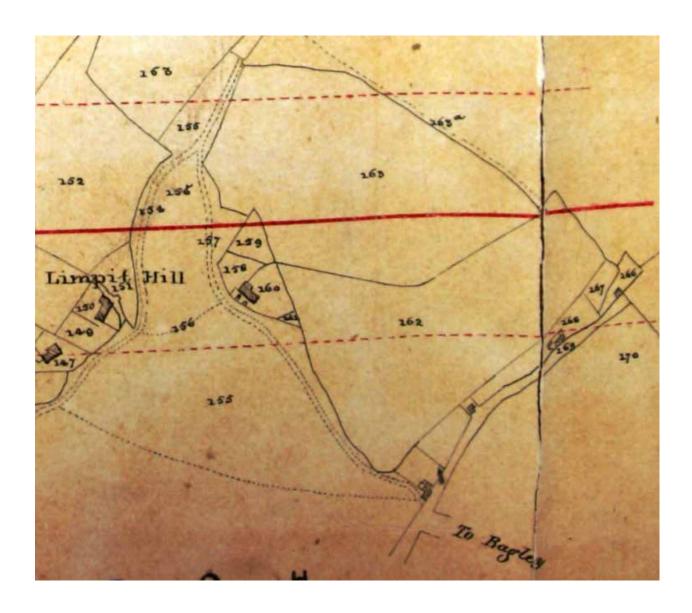


7. Railway Book of Reference, SHR DP/317, entitled "Shrewsbury, Oswestry and Chester Junction Railway Book of Reference", dated 1844, demonstrates evidence for part of route T000725. The route is described as "public" in this case a "Public Bridle Road" in parcel number "157" on page number "32".

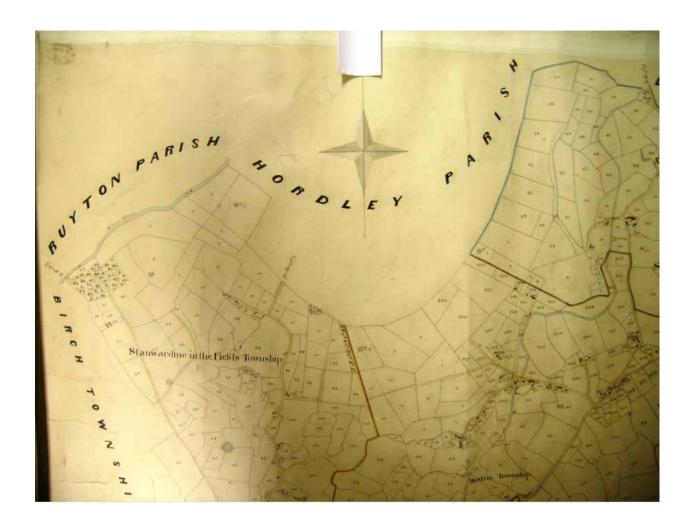


8. Railway Plan, SHR DP/317, entitled "Plans and Sections of the Shrewsbury, Oswestry & Chester Junction Railway", dated 1844, demonstrates evidence for all of route T000725. The route is observed to commence slightly south of "To Bagley" on the plan (see "Enlarged Plan at No. 118"). Part of the length of the route is shown specifically numbered on the plan, in this case "157" and is depicted as consisting of two parallel dashed black lines. The plan also shows part of the route within the Limits of Deviation. The route is observed to terminate at the south east corner of parcel number "160" on the plan.



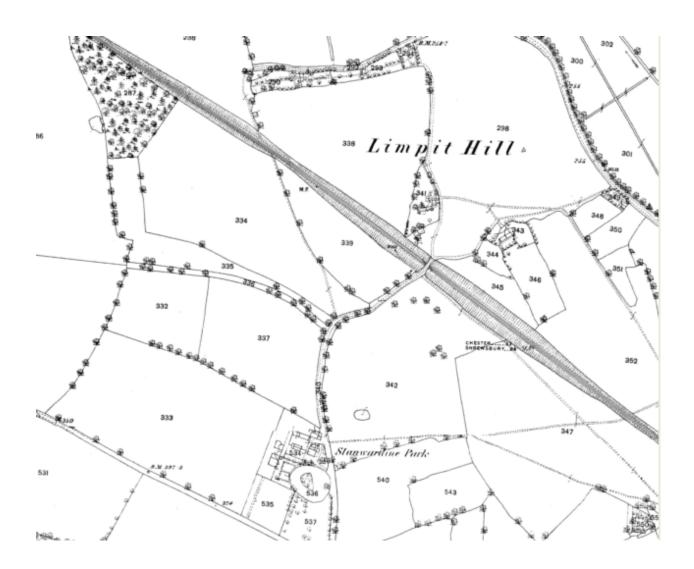


9. Tithe Map, TNA IR/30/29/29, entitled "Part 2: Townships of Stanwardine in the Field, Westen and Stanwardine in the Wood, Parish of Baschurch, Salop", dated 1844, covers the area but demonstrates no evidence for case SH/019/002.



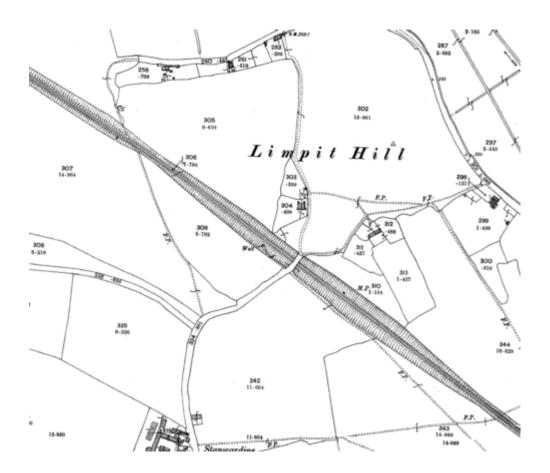
10. Ordnance Survey 25" 1st Edition Book of Reference, BL, entitled "Book of Reference to the Plan of the Parish of Hordley (Hundred of Pimhill), Shropshire", dated 1876, covers the area but demonstrates no evidence for case SH/019/002.

11. Ordnance Survey 25" 1st Edition, BL Vol 689 (15), entitled "Shropshire (Northern Division) Sheet XX.11 - Baschurch & Hordley Parishes", dated 1880, demonstrates evidence for all of route T000725. The route is observed to commence at the north west corner of parcel number "298" on the map. The route is shown to be un-numbered and is depicted as consisting of two parallel black lines (solid and dashed). The route is observed to change physical characteristics at the south east corner of parcel number "294". From here the route is depicted as consisting of two parallel dashed black lines. The route is observed to terminate midway along the eastern edge of parcel number "341" on the map.



12. Ordnance Survey 25" 1st Edition Book of Reference, BL, entitled "Book of Reference to the Plan of the Parish of Baschurch, Shropshire-(Northern Division) ", dated 1882, covers the area but demonstrates no evidence for case SH/019/002.

13. Ordnance Survey 25" 2nd Edition, BL 1600 (51), entitled "SECOND EDITION SHROPSHIRE SHEET XX. 11", dated 1900, demonstrates evidence for all of route T000725. The route is observed to commence at the north west corner of parcel number "302" on the map. The route is shown on the map un-named and is depicted as consisting of two parallel black lines (solid and dashed). The route is observed to change physical characteristics at the south east corner of parcel number "263" on the map. From here the route is depicted as consisting of two parallel dashed black lines. The route is observed to terminate at the south east corner of parcel number "303" on the map.



14. Ordnance Survey 1" Revised New Series, BL Maps 1175 (134.) sheet 138, entitled "OS of England WEM", dated 1902, demonstrates evidence for all of route T000725. The route is observed to commence at a point north of the letter "m" of "Limpit Hill" on the map. The route is shown on the map consisting of two parallel solid black lines and is described in the key under the heading "3rd class metalled road"... The route is observed to terminate at a point south of the letter "m" of "Limpit Hill" on the map.

15. Finance Act Survey Map, TNA IR 132/4/201, entitled "Shropshire Sheet XX. 11 2nd Edition 1901", dated 1909/1910, demonstrates evidence for all of route T000725. The route is observed to commence at the north east corner of OS parcel number "263" on the map. The route is shown included in the hereditament(s) in this case hereditament number(s) "63". The route is observed to terminate at the south east corner of OS parcel number "303" on the map.



16. Finance Act Survey Field Book, TNA IR 58/75640, entitled "Baschurch Assessment No. 1-100", dated 1910, demonstrates evidence for all of route T000725. On page "2" under the heading "Restrictions" there is an entry stating "Rt of way £75". The route is described as neither public nor private but there is a deduction made for rights in this case as "Rt of way £75". On page "4" under the heading "Public Rights of Way or User" there is a deduction for "£75". There is a deduction for public rights of way provided but this is inadequately accounted for on the map given that there are current definitive rights of way running through the same hereditament.

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7. Interpretation of Evidence from Individual Records

Evidence of status:

This evidence concerns the existence of a public right of way. The ARU's research establishes whether a way is described as "public" or "private" and whether public rights can be inferred from other information provided within the documentary source. Evidence of status is categorised as follows:

Category	Name	Significance
Α	Express Dedication	Supporting evidence
B(i)	Surveyor's Opinion / Strong	
	Reputation	
B(ii)	Inferred Dedication / Reputation	
С	Neutral	Status neutral
D Private		Contradictory evidence
E	Stopping Up	

The individual pieces of evidence which singly or together lead to a particular categorisation vary depending on the particular source being considered and are described in detail in Section 5 of the relevant Research Standard for that source.

The following items of evidence were found to relate to the status of the case file route:

Document Group	Evidence Cat.	Document	Date	See Section	Code	Code Description
Ordnance Survey Records 1" Old Series	С	SHR Map Ordnance Survey Old Series 1": 1mile - Folder 1 1833 - 1835	1833 - 1835	6.5	OSM5	Route shown on OS 1" Old Series map
Deposited	D(i) mort	SHR Book Of Reference DP/317 - Shrewsbury, Oswestry and Chester Junction Railway Book of Reference	1844	6.7	RB2	Described as public
Railway Records	B(i) part	SHR Plan DP/317 - Plans and Sections of			RP1	Route specifically numbered on plan
		the Shrewsbury, Oswestry & Chester Junction Railway	1844	6.8	RP3	Route within LOD

Document Group	Evidence Cat.	Document	Date	See Section	Code	Code Description
Ordnance Survey Records 25" 1st Edition	С	BL Map Vol 689 (15) - Shropshire (Northern Division) Sheet XX.11 - Baschurch & Hordley Parishes	1880	6.11	OSM24	Route un- numbered specifically, within numbered parcel
Ordnance Survey Records 25"	С	BL Map 1600 (51) - SECOND EDITION	1900	6.13	OSM12	Route Shown on OS 2nd Edition 25" Map
2nd Edition		SHROPSHIR E SHEET XX. 11			OSM9	Route un- named on map
BL Maps Ordnance 1175 (134.) Survey short 138	1902	6.14	OSM26	Route described as '3rd class metalled road' on key or Characteristic s Sheet		
		WEM	OSM20	OSM20	Route un- named on map	
Finance Act Survey Records	С	TNA Map IR132/4/201 - Shropshire Sheet XX. 11 2nd Edition 1901	1909/1910	6.15	FA2	Route Included in Hdtmt
Finance Act Survey Records	TNA Field Book IR/58/75640 - Baschurch Assessment No. 1-100	1910	6.16	FB6	Described as neither public or private, deduction shown for ROW	
				FB2	Deduction for public ROW, map not conclusive as to route.	

Evidence of class:

This evidence refers to the type of rights enjoyed over the case file route. Evidence is recorded according to the traditional classes of public right of way recorded in documentary evidence: i.e. footpath, bridleway or carriageway. The status and class together may be identified clearly in a document (e.g. public footpath, private carriageway, etc.), but in other cases information on class may not be specified (e.g. "highway").

The following items of evidence were found to relate to the class of the case file route:

Document Group	Document	Date	Code	Code Description
Ordnance Survey Records 1" Old Series	SHR Map Ordnance Survey Old Series 1": 1mile - Folder 1 1833 - 1835	1833 - 1835	RC14	Unspecified
Deposited Railway Records	SHR Book Of Reference DP/317 - Shrewsbury, Oswestry and Chester Junction Railway Book of Reference	1844	RC3	Bridle/halter road
	SHR Plan DP/317 - Plans and Sections of the Shrewsbury, Oswestry & Chester Junction Railway	1844	RC14	Unspecified
Ordnance Survey Records 25" 1st Edition	BL Vol 689 (15) - Shropshire (Northern Division) Sheet XX.11 - Baschurch & Hordley Parishes	1880	RC14	Unspecified
Ordnance Survey Records 25" 2nd Edition	BL Map 1600 (51) - SECOND EDITION SHROPSHIRE SHEET XX. 11	1900	RC14	Unspecified
Ordnance Survey Records 1" New Series	BL Maps 1175 (134.) sheet 138 - OS of England WEM	1902	RC12	Road
Finance Act Survey Records	TNA Map IR132/4/201 - Shropshire Sheet XX. 11 2nd Edition 1901	1909/1910	RC14	Unspecified
Finance Act Survey Records	TNA Field Book IR/58/75640 - Baschurch Assessment No. 1- 100	1910	RC14	Unspecified

Evidence of physical characteristics:

This evidence relates to the physical appearance of the case file route as recorded in documentary sources, even if these sources do not themselves contain evidence of the route's status or class.

Items of evidence relating to physical characteristics are recorded using a series of 'physical appearance' codes.

The following items of evidence were found to relate to the physical characteristics of the case file route:

Document Group	Document	Date	Code	Code Description
Ordnance Survey Records 1" Old Series	SHR Map Ordnance Survey Old Series 1": 1mile - Folder 1 1833 - 1835	1833 - 1835	PA1	two parallel solid black lines
Deposited Railway Records	SHR Plan DP/317 - Plans and Sections of the Shrewsbury, Oswestry & Chester Junction Railway	1844	PA2	two parallel dashed black lines
Ordnance Survey Records 25" 1st Edition	BL Map Vol 689 (15) - Shropshire (Northern Division)	1880 .	PA2	two parallel dashed black lines
	Sheet XX.11 - Baschurch & Hordley Parishes		PA7	two parallel black lines (solid and dashed)
Ordnance Survey Records 25" 2nd	BL Map 1600 (51) - SECOND EDITION SHROPSHIRE	1900	PA7	two parallel black lines (solid and dashed)
Edition	SHEET XX. 11		PA2	two parallel dashed black lines
Ordnance Survey Records 1" New Series	BL Maps 1175 (134.) sheet 138 - OS of England WEM	1902	PA1	two parallel solid black lines

Evidence of width:

This evidence relates to the legal width of the case file route – for example, legally defined widths (e.g. in Inclosure Awards).

There is no evidence to support a specific legal width for the route.

8. Overall Evaluation of Evidence

The evaluation of the evidence has been carried out in accordance with the Discovering Lost Ways Project's series of Research Standards (for specific references see Appendix A below).

Findings from the main documentary sources:

1. Finance Act Survey Records

The Finance Act Survey map demonstrates evidence for the route. The route is shown on the map included within hereditaments... In the associated field book there is a deduction provided for public rights of way or user. This is inadequately accounted for on the map, owing to the fact that there are current definitive rights of way already running through the same hereditament. It is therefore not possible to ascertain with any degree of certainty whether the deduction relates to the case file route.

2. Deposited Railway Records

The Deposited Railway records demonstrate evidence for the route. Part of the length of the route is shown specifically numbered on the plan with the corresponding entry in the book of reference describing the route as a "Public Bridle Road". The case file route forms part of a longer route shown on the Railway plan (this length is already recorded as a current public bridleway). The associated Railway section makes reference to a "Public Road Level unaltered", however, the section relates to the centre line of the railway rather than everything within the limits of deviation. Therefore, given that the case file route does not cross the centre line of the railway the evidence from the section cannot be attributed to the case file route.

3. Ordnance Survey Records

a. The Ordnance Survey 1" Old Series

The Ordnance Survey 1" Old Series demonstrates evidence for the route as a physical feature only.

b. The Ordnance Survey 25" 1st Edition

The Ordnance Survey 25" 1st Edition map demonstrates evidence for the route as a physical feature. The route is shown to be un-numbered therefore there is no evidence in the book of reference.

c. The Ordnance Survey 25"2nd Edition

The Ordnance Survey 25" 2nd Edition map demonstrates evidence for the route as a physical feature. The route is shown the map un-named therefore the object name book has not been examined.

d. The Ordnance Survey 1" Revised New Series

The Ordnance Survey 1" Revised New Series demonstrates evidence for the route. The route is shown on the map and is described in the key under the heading "3rd Class Metalled Roads". For the purpose of the Discovering Lost Ways Project research it has been agreed that the showing of routes as 1st, 2nd or 3rd class metalled roads on OS 1" New Series maps will be taken as evidence of the existence of public vehicular rights. It is considered therefore that a public vehicular right of way existed over the route at the time of the survey.

Alignment of the case file route:

From the analysis of the Deposited Railway plan and modern Ordnance Survey maps the route does not appear to have changed alignment.

Evidence of Width:

There is no evidence to support a specific legal width for the route.

Contradictory evidence:

No contradictory evidence was found for the route.

Outcome of the evaluation:

Case SH/019/002 was included in the research scope by the Discovering Lost Ways project as the route is subject to a DMMO application to add the route to the definitive map as a public bridleway. In light of this Shropshire County Council requested that historical documents be examined to confirm whether there was evidence of the existence of public bridleway rights over the route.

From the documents examined it is possible to establish that the route is shown on the Deposited Railway Records. Part of the length of the route is shown specifically numbered with the corresponding entry in the book of reference describing the route as a "Public Bridle Road". The route is also shown on the Finance Act Survey map included within the hereditaments. There is a deduction for public rights of way or user given in the associated field book, however, this is inadequately accounted for on the map, given that there are other definitive rights of way running through the same hereditament. The route is also shown on the supporting Ordnance Survey maps but these provide no evidence of status.

The Ordnance Survey 1" Revised New Series map shows the route on the map and is described in the key under the heading "3rd Class Metalled Roads". For the purpose of the Discovering Lost Ways Project research it has been agreed that the showing of routes as 1st, 2nd or 3rd class metalled roads on OS 1" New Series maps will be taken as evidence of the existence of public vehicular rights. It is considered therefore that a public vehicular right of way existed over the route at the time of the survey.

The evidence found supports the addition of the length of the case file route to the definitive map as a public bridleway. Given that the route is already subject to a definitive map modification order application the case file has not been attributed to a strength category.

Appendix A - Methodological Statement

A series of technical papers describing the standard for research carried out by the Archive Research Unit have been developed. The DLW Research Standards provide a basis for quality assurance of evidence reports produced by the ARU and the accreditation of any lost ways claims made by Natural England.

The following Research Standard technical papers were used to develop this evidence report:

Technical paper

Discovering Lost Ways Research Standard 2.0: Research Scope

Discovering Lost Ways Research Standard 3.3: Finance Act Survey Records

Discovering Lost Ways Research Standard 3.4: Deposited Railway Records

Discovering Lost Ways Research Standard 3.7: Ordnance Survey Records

Discovering Lost Ways Research Standard 4.0: Combining & Evaluating Evidence

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