

Community and Environmental Service
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June 7, 2022

I, Dr David Ormerod of Mill House, 7 Mill Lane, Swaffham, Norfolk PE37 7EU hereby apply for an order under section 53(2) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 to modify the definitive map and statement for the area by registering unregistered old public highways on former lowland heathland to the south and southwest of Wolferton village, on the Sandringham Estate. Sandringham RUPP 17 and Sandringham FP5 and FP6, with a number of others, were improperly extinguished by the Sandringham Estate in the mid-1950's during Definitive Map deliberations.

As the N.C.C. Definitive Statement website for Sandringham Parish explains, the Sandringham Estate administration alleged they were a Crown Estate property, that was exempt from public rights of way. In fact, Sandringham is a private estate of Her Majesty the Queen, and was not entitled to claim exemption. As Sandringham RUPP 17 and Sandringham FP5 and FP6 have been improperly extinguished, the old public rights of way persist. The involved public ways are, in the main, well away from Royal residences, occurring mainly on land leased by tenant farmers. Seventy years later, neither the Estate nor the Surveying Authority have corrected this error. It is now imperative that these public rights of way are re-established as otherwise they will be lost to the public in perpetuity.

This application seeks to correct the historical error. Sandringham RUPP is still present as a good quality metalled highway. Sandringham FP5 and FP6 have been destroyed under intensive post-WWII enforestation. A replacement is proposed, utilizing established ways that start at the same spot as the original highway and after a long transit, finishes on the same highway, close to the original exit.

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

- Ordnance Survey composite Series 2, 25-inch Map of E&W, Norfolk Sheets 22.8 and 22.12, 1905, superimposed upon a modern ESRI tile map
- Definitive Map of southern Wolferton parish.
- Norfolk County Council Online Rights of Way Gazetteer, 2021, showing the application routes.
- Google Earth Satellite View of the local area
- Photograph (March 2022) of the start of Sandringham FP5 and the proposed replacement route on Church Road, Wolferton, at Point A. The entry also affords access to the Friar Marcus Royal Stud.

- Photograph (March 2022) from just beyond a small copse at the entrance, showing the application route coursing to the south.
- Photograph (March 2022) looking back on the replacement road to the north and the Friar Marcus Royal Stud.
- Photograph (March 2022) from the replacement public footpath at Point B, looking to the south west over a meadow at a former sand mining venue.
- Photograph (March 2022) of Point C, where the replacement route joins Sandringham RUPP 17. To the left, is a road to the Old Keeper's Cottage.
- Photograph (March 2022) of the road to the Wolferton Wood Keeper's Cottage.
- Photograph (March 2022) from halfway along the Section C-D, looking to the west. The highway traverses westward keeping to the north side of Wolferton Wood. The area on the right has extensive scarring from sand and gravel mining and is planted with birch.
- Photograph (March 2022), of the locked gate across the old Sandringham RUPP 17 adjacent to Queen Elizabeth Way (Hillington Road).
- Copy (2 pages) of the FOI document, entitled, "Parish of Sandringham. Schedule of Public Footpaths etc.," dated October 1951.
- Faden's Map of Norfolk, 1797.
- Andrew Macnair's digitized and re-coloured version of Faden's Map of Norfolk, 1797.
- Charles Budgen's O.S. pen & ink Map of Castle Riding, 1815.
- Ordnance Survey 1st Series 1-inch Map of E&W, Sheet 69, 1824.
- Bryant's Map of Norfolk, 1826.
- Christopher and John Greenwood Map of the County of Norfolk, 1834.
- Sandringham Estate Sale Map of the late Henry Hoste Henley, 1836.
- Tithe Map of Wolferton Parish, 1839/40.
- James Pigot Map of Norfolk, 1940 – a road map.
- Ordnance Survey 6-inch map of E&W, Norfolk Sheet 26NE and 26SE, 1884 (x2)
- Ordnance Survey Revised New Series 1-inch map of E&W, Sheet 145, Kings Lynn, 1898.
- Bartholomew Half-inch map of England and Wales, Norfolk Sheet 15, 1903.
- Ordnance Survey composite 2nd Series 25-inch Maps of E&W, Norfolk Sheets 22.4 and 22.8, 1905 (x2).
- Finance Act (1909-10) I.R.S. Duties on Land Values Maps, Norfolk Sheets 22.4 and 22.8. (x2)
- Ordnance Survey Popular Edition 1-inch Map of Wolferton and adjacent lands, 1922.
- Ministry of Food National Farm Survey Map, Norfolk Sheets 22.4 and 22.8, 1943. awaited
- RAF Aerial Photographs of the application routes, 1946.

- Ordnance Survey New Popular Series 1-inch Map of E&W, Sheet 124, Kings Lynn, 1946.
- Ordnance Survey 1:25,000 Map, Norfolk Sheet TF 62-B, 1955.

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Applicant's Reference: **EH 083**

Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981

The Definitive Map and Statement of Public Rights of Way for the County of Norfolk

Certificate of Service of Notice of Application for a Modification Order: Proposal to register the old Sandringham RUPP 17 and replace the destroyed Sandringham FP5/6 on the old sandworkings and now enforested land between Wolferton and Wolferton Wood. The highway replacement suggested involves only existing highway. It starts at the same place as Sandringham FP5, utilises Sandringham RUPP 17, and finishes close to the old Sandringham FP5 – as a restricted byway. The conditions for a deviation under s119 of the Highways Act, 1980, would thereby be followed

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I, Dr David Ormerod of Mill House, 7 Mill Lane, Swaffham PE37 7EU hereby certify that the requirements of paragraph 2 of Schedule 14 to the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 have been complied with.

Dated: ~~June~~ 7, 2022

Signature:

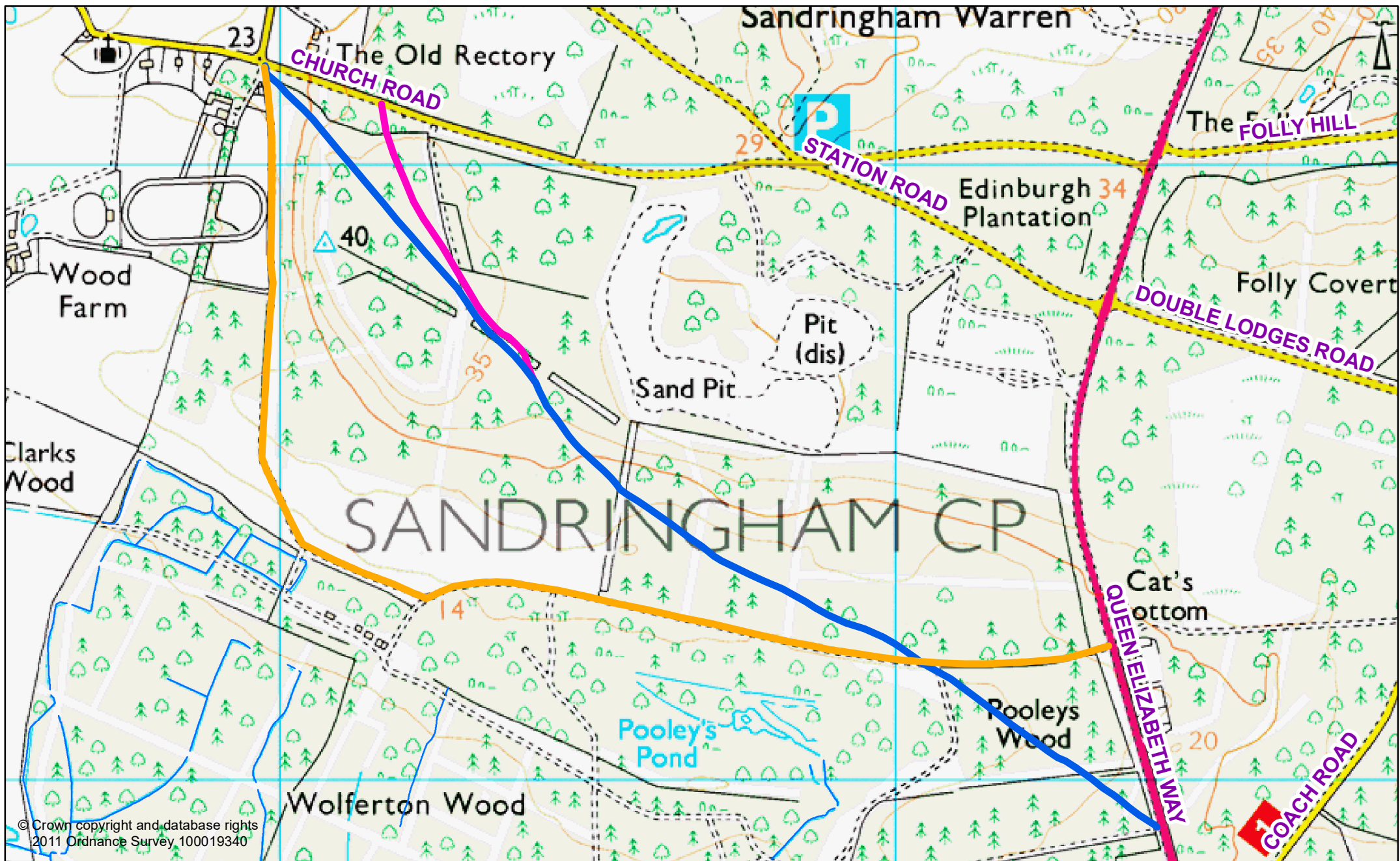


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Schedule of persons on whom notice was served

The owners, occupiers, and interested parties of the land crossed by the transit of Sandringham RUPP 17 and the old Sandringham FP5/6 on the old sand-quarried land between Wolferton village and Wolferton Wood (Babingley), now substantially enforested. A replacement for the long FP5 is proposed, using established ways and incorporating the old RUPP that starts at the same place and finishes on the same road, close to.

1. Chief Executive, The Sandringham Estate, Sandringham, Norfolk PE35 6EN
2. Ms. Geraldine Scanlon, Sandringham Parish Clerk: Gerikrs00@yahoo.com
3. Director, Friar Marcus Royal Stud, Wolferton, Kings Lynn, Norfolk PE31 6HA
4. The Occupier, The Old Keepers Cottage, Wolferton Wood, Wolferton, Kings Lynn, PE31 6HD



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- Application Route
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Modification application for the
addition of Restricted Byways
in the parish of Sandringham

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