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THE HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 –  
SECTION 31(6)

**DEPOSIT OF MAPS, STATEMENTS AND STATUTORY  
DECLARATIONS SUMMARY SHEET**

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**Title and/or description of land referred to:** Land at Brancepeth  
Located to the north and west of Brancepeth Castle

**District:** Durham and Wear Valley

**Parish/ward:** Brancepeth and Greater Willington

**Ordnance Survey grid reference (6 figure):** NZ 223, 378

**Land Post Code:** DH7 8

**Name and address of person who deposited the map/statements and statutory  
declarations**

**Name:** Jeremy Edkins (Company Secretary for Castle Estates (Brancepeth) Limited)

**Landowner/agent/tenant for life/trustees (delete as applicable)**

**Address:** 170 Newgate Street  
Bishop Auckland  
County Durham

**Post code:** DL14 7EJ

**Date deposit of map and statement received:** 23/07/1999

**Date/s of statutory declaration:** 10/08/1999

**Date current statutory declaration expires:** 10/08/2009

**Notes:**

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**HIGHWAYS ACT 1980**

**SECTION 31(6)**

**NOTICE OF INTENTION  
NOT TO  
DEDICATE PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY**

ON BEHALF OF  
CASTLE ESTATES (BRANCEPETH) LIMITED  
170 NEWGATE STREET  
BISHOP AUCKLAND  
COUNTY DURHAM  
DL14 7EJ

SUBMITTED BY

DR MALCOLM BELL, MA, FRAGS, MRTPI, MIEEnvSc, AIAMgt

OF

WARD HADAWAY  
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SANDGATE HOUSE  
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JULY 1999

**HIGHWAYS ACT 1980**

**SECTION 31(6)**

Notice of intention not to dedicate public rights of way

Land situated at Brancepeth

[shown edged red on the attached plan]

**I MR JEREMY EDKINS, Company Secretary** of Castle Estates (Brancepeth) Limited declare as follows:-

1. I am authorised on behalf of Castle Estates (Brancepeth) Limited to make this statement and I attach hereto a plan, which I sign and date, which shows edged red the land at Brancepeth in the ownership of Castle Estates (Brancepeth) Limited.
2. I have been shown a copy of the Definitive Map dated the 31st October 1998 which includes the land in the ownership of Castle Estates (Brancepeth) Limited.
3. By reference to the copy of the Definitive Map referred to above there is a public highway which passes over land in the ownership of Castle Estates (Brancepeth) Limited. Footpath No 18 commences at the entrance to Brancepeth Castle and proceeds in a south-easterly direction to a wrought iron gate and style at Churchyard. Footpath No 18 (as it appears on the Definitive Map) which crosses over the land in the ownership of Castle Estates (Brancepeth) Limited is identified by a green line on the attached plan.
4. The right of way referred to in Clause 3 is shown in conclusive form on the statutory Definitive Map. For ease of interpretation, it is reproduced diagrammatically and illustratively on the attached signed plan and coloured green. For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding reasonable care in the

drawing thereof, this is specifically intended to be a representation of a right of way shown on the Definitive Map and does not in itself (and most particularly in the case of conflict with the Definitive Map) represent any dedication whether in terms of route, width, structures or any other detail.

6. I have been informed that a Definitive Map is conclusive evidence as to the existence of a Right of Way and, subject to any evidence coming to light to the contrary, I am of the understanding that the Rights of Way referred to in clause 3 hereof is only a public right of way by reason of being included on the Definitive Map.
7. Other than public footpath No 18 I hereby give notice that no footpath or any other kind of public highway crosses over the land in the ownership of Castle Estates (Brancepeth) Limited.
8. I understand that this Notice is effective for 6 years and to prevent public Rights of Way coming into being it must be followed by statutory declarations at not more than 6 yearly intervals, that no additional Rights of Way have been dedicated.

DATED the 20 day of July 1999

Signed

[Redacted Signature]

Jeremy Edkins, Company Secretary

Witness Signature

[Redacted Witness Signature]

BERNARD JAMES

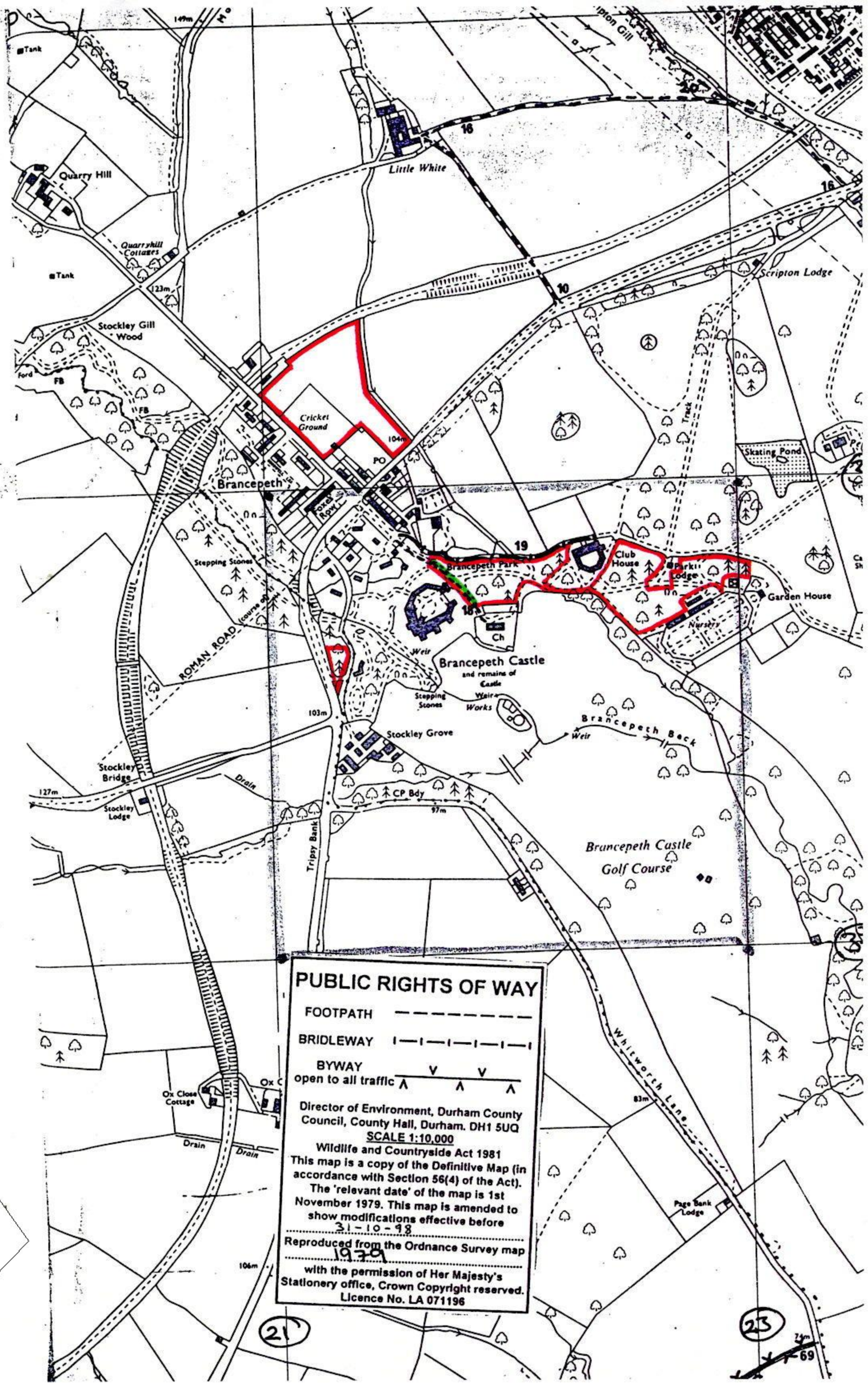
Address

166 NEWGATE STRAITS,

BISHOP HUCKLEND, CO. DURHAM

SE14 7ES, Solicited

(Plan attached: Scale not less than 6 inches to the mile)



**PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY**

FOOTPATH ————

BRIDLEWAY |—|—|—|—|—|—|

BYWAY  
open to all traffic A V A

Director of Environment, Durham County Council, County Hall, Durham. DH1 5UQ  
SCALE 1:10,000

Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981  
This map is a copy of the Definitive Map (in accordance with Section 56(4) of the Act).  
The 'relevant date' of the map is 1st November 1979. This map is amended to show modifications effective before 31-10-98

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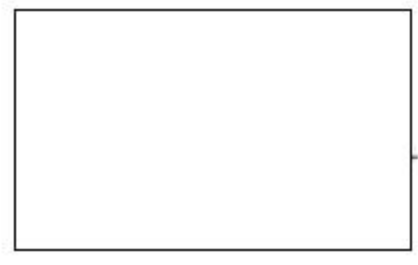
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I, **JEREMY EDKINS**, Company Secretary of Castle Estates (Brancepeth) Limited of 170 Newgate Street, Bishop Auckland, Co. Durham, DL14 7EJ, **DECLARE** as follows:-

1. On 20 July 1999 I deposited a Section 31(6) Notice in relation to land situate at Brancepeth (as more particularly delineated on the plan attached to the Notice).
2. On 2 August 1999 I received confirmation from Durham County Council that the Section 31(6) Notice had been registered. The effective date for registration was given as 23 July 1999.
3. Since such deposit no ways additional to those on the map and described in the Notice have been dedicated by me for the use of the public.

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

**DECLARED** by the above-named )  
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**JEREMY EDKINS** at 166 Newgate )  
Street, Bishop Auckland )  
in the County of Durham )  
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this 10<sup>th</sup> day of August 1999 )



Before me  
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Solicitor/~~Commissioner for Oaths~~