Statutory Declaration

I, Sylvia Bright of Blake Edge Farm, Fairfield, Buxton, Derbyshire SK17 7HR do solemnly and sincerely declare as follows:

1 I was born and raised at Blake Edge Farm and have lived here all my life.

2 The farm is a mixed farm with around 390 acres of land, mostly pasture with a small amount of moorland. We have around 300 ewes, about 100 suckler cows and replacements and a few horses.

3 We have raised working and riding horses for many years. In 1997 we had about a dozen horses, including four work horses, four breeding mares, two retired mares, a small pony and my daughter Sharon's riding horse "Midnight"

4 In April 1997 we constructed an additional silage storage area, next to the railway line on the east side of the farm. It was dressed with limestone chatter to provide a firm, well drained and level surface used to store silage, straw and associated trailers.

5 in the autumn of 1997 we began using the silage storage area as a makeshift equestrian turnout area. Part of the area not occupied by silage bales or straw would be sectioned off for the horses.

6 In the winter of 1999/2000 we resurfaced the surface of the silage storage area with washed fines to improve the standing for the horses.

7 In the spring of 2000, we started using ~~using~~ new equipment for baling and handling bales which meant that we could stack all of the bales within the main storage area to the west of the farm. Thereafter the area was mainly used as a turnout area.

8 The silage storage area has therefore been used as a turnout area for about fifteen years.

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

.....S.Bright.....

Declared at ~~Buxton~~ Chapel-en-le-Frith in the County of Derbyshire

Date: 25 January 2012

Before: Lesley Middleton
Solicitor/~~Commissioner for Oaths~~

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