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28th February, 1983.

Dear Sir,

FOOTPATH OFF LYNCOMBE VALE ROAD, BATH.

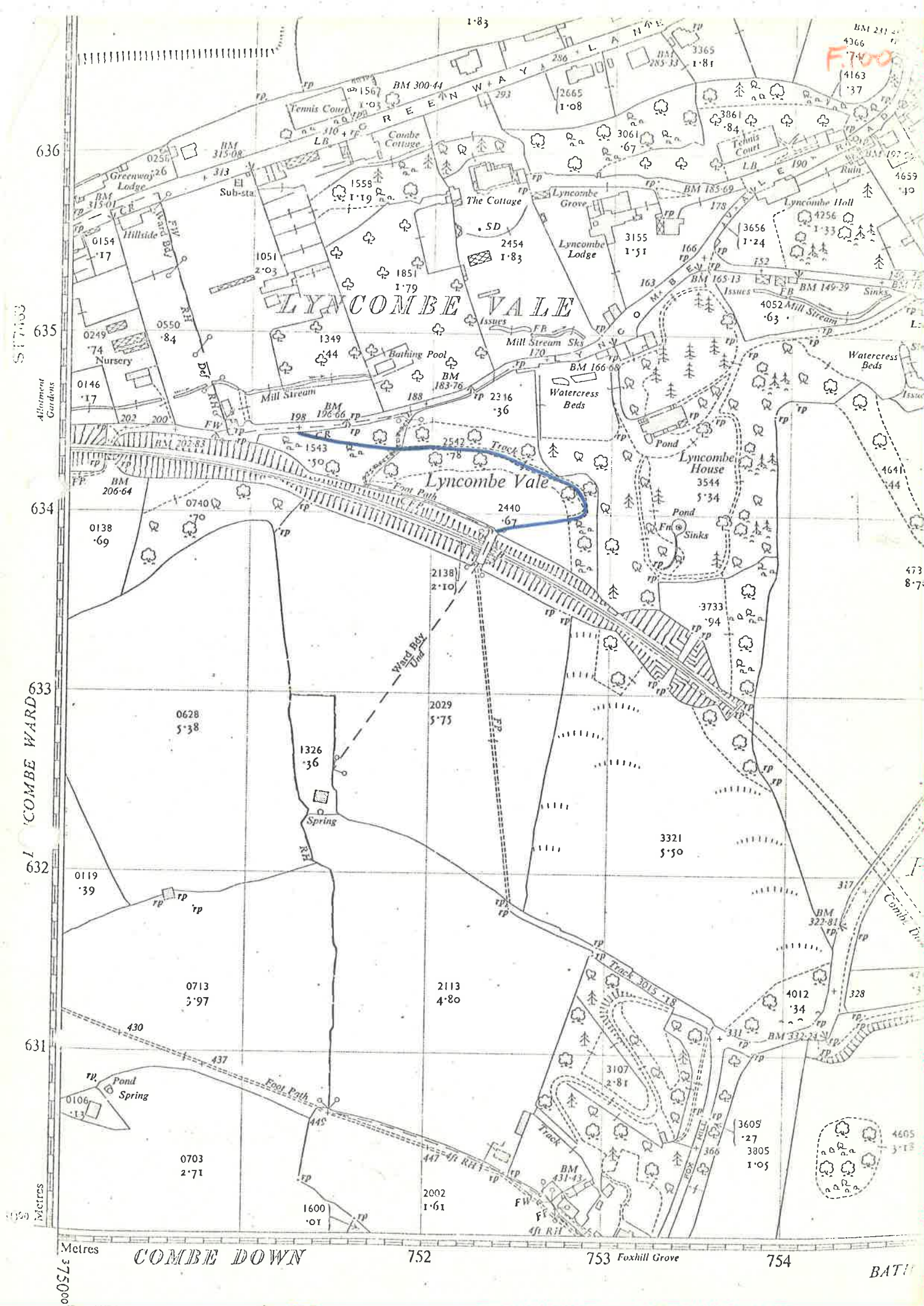
A few months ago I received representations from a local resident claiming that the above footpath, shown on the enclosed plan, had been obstructed by builders rubble tipped across its width. Later correspondence with the complainant established that the rubble had quickly been compacted or pushed aside by walkers and it no longer caused an obstruction.

However, I pointed out to the complainant that the footpath does not appear on a Definitive Footpath Map since there is no such document which covers Bath District Council. Therefore in law this was not a public right of way unless it could be proved that the public had walked the path as of right for a long period of time - generally taken to be twenty years. If this could be proved then the County Council could protect the rights of the public on the footpath as if the footpath were shown on the Definitive Footpath Map.

In response to that letter I have received a wealth of evidence to suggest that the footpath is a public right of way. Consequently, I am writing to you, as I believe you are the owner of the land in question, to obtain your views on this matter. If you would like to meet me to discuss this further I would be pleased to do so. I can be contacted at the above address or telephone number and I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Yours faithfully,

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