## APPLICATION FOR A MODIFICATION ORDER

Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981

The Definitive Map and Statement of Public Rights of Way
in Bath and North East Somerset

: Public Rights of Way, Bath and North East Somerset Council

: Lewis House, Manvers Street, Bath, BA1 1JG

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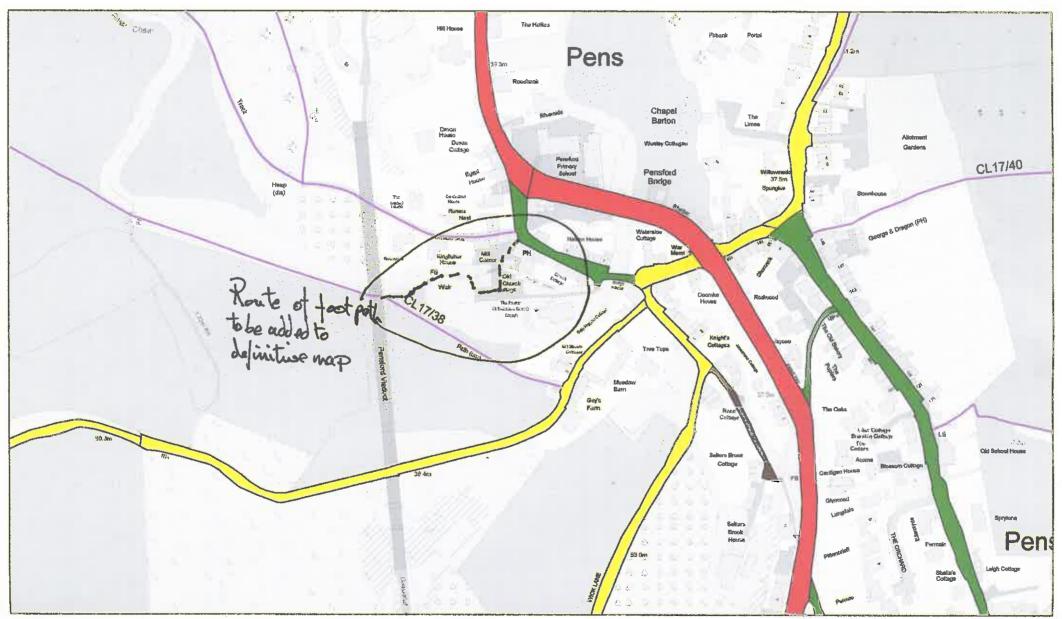
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## SUMMARY OF MODIFICATION ORDER APPLICATION

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## Description of Footpath Route Church St.-Mill Corner-Rising Sun car park-River Chew weir/footbridge- Viaduct Pensford

#### Description of route:

The footpath begins on Church Street, Pensford at the entrance to Mill Corner and the access to the Rising Sun car park. It runs over a tarmac road at the rear of the Rising Sun pub, crossing the mill stream and through the entrance to the pub car park. It tracks around the back of the old mill building to the stone footbridge over the weir on the river Chew. It continues over the footbridge to the far side of the river continuing WSW until it meets and merges with footpath CL17/38 on the E side of Pensford Viaduct.

Notable features on the route are the Rising Sun pub, Mill Corner, the mill stream where a gate has been erected by the previous pub landlords at the entry to the pub car park. Also notable are the remains of the mill building, the stone footbridge over the river Chew and finally Pensford viaduct.

The route provides one of the most picturesque, unique and historically significant views of the village. The views along the route reveal Pensford's historic past referencing the mills on the river Chew, the railway and mining industries, the listed St Thomas a Becket church, the village's involvement in the medieval wool trade and its significance to the road route between Bristol, Wells and the south coast (the coaching inn and the crossing over the river Chew initially by way of a ford and then a bridge).

The footpath is the shortest route to Byemills, historically a major industrial mill site and source of employment, and the village of Stanton Drew. Until the middle of the 20C the area of Pensford in which the path is located was within the Parish of Stanton Drew and Stanton Drew Church was the 'mother' church of St Thomas a Becket Church.

Since beginning the process of completing this application and compiling evidence, the current owners of the footbridge (St Austell Brewery) have closed it at both ends making it impossible to use the route. They say this has been done for safety reasons.

# CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE OF NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A MODIFICATION ORDER

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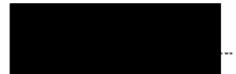
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or : Therese Lyson or : 2 The Old School House, High Street, Pansford BS39 4BH.

hereby certify that the requirements of paragraph 2 of Schedule 14 to the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 have been complied with and attach a copy of each notice served pursuant to that Paragraph.

Dated 15. 11. 2021 Signed



#### Paragraph 2 of Schedule 14 to the Wildlife and Countryside Act states that;

"the applicant shall serve a notice stating that the application has been made on every owner and occupier of any land to which the application relates"

"if, after reasonable inquiry has been made, the authority are satisfied that it is not practicable to ascertain the name or address of an owner or occupier of any land to which the application relates the authority may direct that the notice ... may be served by addressing it to him by the description 'owner' or 'occupier' of the land (describing it) and by affixing it to some conspicuous object or objects on the land"