

1 I: Christopher Neil Hardyman

of: West Street Havant Hampshire PO9 1LG

2 Status

I am

☐ the person currently in adverse possession

☐ a person who was previously in adverse possession

X☒ making this statement on behalf of: Portsmouth Water Limited and

I am the Company Secretary of Portsmouth Water Limited and have authority to make this statement on their behalf.

3 Property: All that land forming part of and known as Ranelagh Road Havant Hampshire as the same is shown edged red on the attached plan.

X☒ The land is clearly identified on the attached plan and shown: edged red.

☐ The land is currently registered under title number(s):

4 Portsmouth Water Limited and their predecessors in title have held the legal title to all the lands along the entire frontage of Ranelagh Road from at least 17 September 1898 until 25 July 2006 when the part was sold. Portsmouth Water Limited continues to hold the legal estate in all the remaining land along Ranelagh Road. All the land along Ranelagh Road was originally conveyed together with all commons ways sewers watercourses hereditaments rights easements and appurtenances whatsoever thereto belonging or reputed as part thereof and appurtenant thereto.

Ranelagh Road has not been adopted as a public highway maintainable at public expense and has been treated as owned by Portsmouth Water Limited. So far as I am aware Portsmouth Water Limited and their predecessors in title have fully undertaken all maintenance and repair obligations for Ranelagh Road since 1898 but in any event employees of Portsmouth Water Limited who have worked for the company for over 40 years have confirmed that it has been maintained by Portsmouth Water Limited during their period of employment.

Additionally, Portsmouth Water Limited predecessors in title laid water mains in 1878 underneath Ranelagh Road and have maintained them ever since that date. Portsmouth Water Limited also laid a substantial water main in 2009 under the full length of Ranelagh Road. No payment has been made to any party for the right to lay the mains and maintain them and the passage of water through the mains and the maintenance has been without interruption and without consent from any party.

There is no person in possession or occupation of Ranelagh Road adversely to the interest of Portsmouth Water Limited.

Portsmouth Water Limited has not entered into and I am not aware of any contract or agreement for sale, lease, mortgage, charge, lien, restrictive covenant, rent charge or other encumbrance relating to Ranelagh Road other than the agreements for sale of part of the lands adjoining Ranelagh Road. Portsmouth Water Limited and their predecessors in title have been in full, free and undisturbed possession of Ranelagh Road since 1898 and

there is no person in possession or occupation of it adversely to the estate or interest of Portsmouth Water Limited .

Portsmouth Water Limited have had free and uninterrupted use of Ranelagh Road for access purposes with and without vehicles during their period of ownership of the adjoining land without permission from, payment to or dispute with any third party.

I understand that under Section 38 and Section 228 of the Highways Act 1980 the unadopted highway can be made up to an adoptable standard at the expense of the landowners/frontagers and can thereafter be adopted as a public highway.

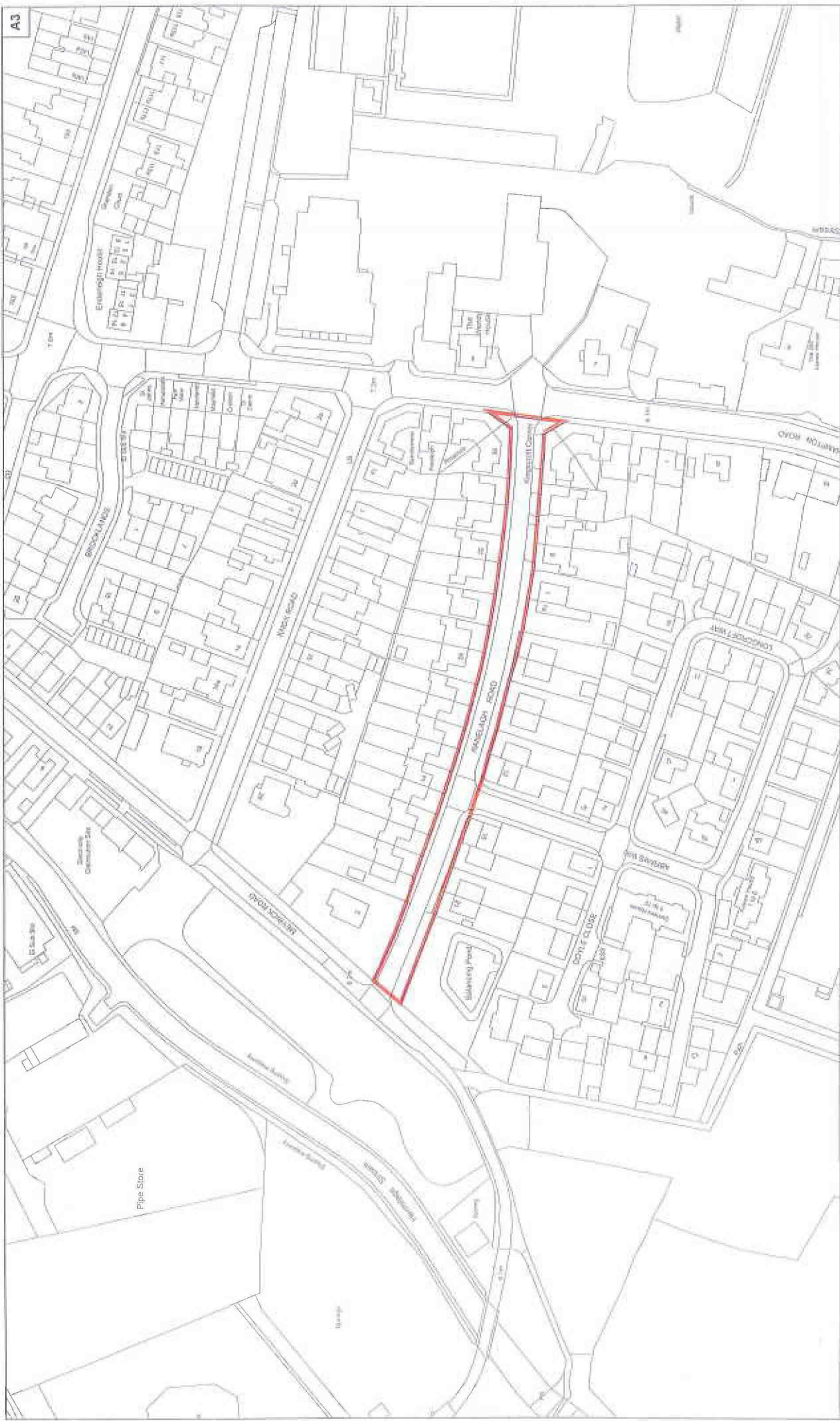
I believe that the facts and matters contained in this statement are true

Signature (of person making this statement):

A black rectangular box redacting the signature of the person making the statement.

Print full name: CHRISTOPHER HADYMAN

Date: 30 JUNE 2023



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Registered Office: P.O. Box 100, West Street, Havant, Hampshire, PO9 1GQ. Registered in England No. 2516455 Telephone: (0232) 4243 8888 Fax: (023) 9245 3532 Website: www.portsmouthwater.co.uk Portsmouth Water	The information supplied is given in good faith as a guide to locating the service pipes and cables to individual premises. The responsibility for locating and avoiding damage to apparatus on site shall be that of the person proposing to excavate in the street who shall be liable to the apparatus owner and any third party who may be affected in any way for any loss or damage caused by their failure to do so.	

