

**WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981**  
**THE LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**(DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT OF PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY)**  
**(DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION) (NO. 4) ORDER 2002**

This Order is made by the Lancashire County Council under Section 53(2)(b) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act, 1981 ("the Act") because it appears to that Authority that the Definitive Map and Statement of Public Rights of Way for the County of Lancashire require modification in consequence of the occurrence of an event specified in Section 53(3)(c)(ii) namely the discovery by the Surveying Authority of evidence which (when considered with all other relevant evidence available to them) shows that a highway which is shown on the Map and Statement as a highway of a particular description ought to be there shown as a highway of a different description.

The Authority have consulted with every local authority whose area includes the land to which the Order relates. The Lancashire County Council hereby order that:

1. For the purposes of this Order, the "relevant date" is the 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2002.
2. The Definitive Map and Statement of Public Rights of Way for the County of Lancashire shall be modified as described in Part I and Part II of the Schedule and shown on the map attached to the Order.
3. This Order shall take effect on the date it is confirmed and may be cited as the Lancashire County Council (Definitive Map and Statement of Public Rights of Way) (Definitive Map Modification) (No. 4) Order, 2002.

Dated this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2002.

THE COMMON SEAL of the Lancashire County Council was hereunto affixed in the pursuance of a Resolution passed at a meeting of the Regulatory Committee duly convened and held on the 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2002.

  
Authorised Signatory

This Order, having been made, advertised, and no objections having been received, is hereby confirmed as an unopposed Order.

Dated this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2002

  
Assistant Head of Legal Services



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## SCHEDULE

### PART I

#### MODIFICATION OF THE DEFINITIVE MAP DESCRIPTION OF PATH TO BE UPGRADED

Public Footpath No. 206, Ramsbottom, Borough of Rossendale, from a point at its junction with the A.680 Rochdale Road, near Cheesden Bridge, in a general southerly direction to a point at its junction with Bridleways Nos. 205 and 262, (known as Castle Hill Road and Scotland Lane), a distance of approximately 2900 metres, shown A-V and coloured green on the plan annexed hereto to be upgraded to the status of bridleway.

### PART II

#### MODIFICATION OF DEFINITIVE STATEMENT

The following entry be added:-

"Bridleway extending for a total distance of approximately 2900 metres, from a point on the A680 Rochdale Road, approximately 25 metres west of Cheesden Bridge, (GR. 8226 1656), where there is a metal Public Footpath sign on a large road sign that indicates the County Boundary.

The entry onto the route is approximately 10 metres wide. The surface has been tarmaced and drops quite steeply from Rochdale Road. The land to the west of the route has been fenced and there is a wooden kissing gate with the North West Water (NWW) logo etched into it.

The route continues in a southerly direction on a clearly defined, roughly tarmaced track. After 30 metres the track narrows from 8-10 metres wide to approximately 3-4 metres wide and is fenced on either side.

After approximately 60 metres Public Footpath No. 209 joins the route from the west.

The route continues in a southerly direction for a further 40 metres, roughly tarmaced and 3-4 metres wide, until Public Footpath No. 210 meets it from the west. It appears that there were originally two small wooden gates at this location but one has been removed leaving a gap.

The route continues in a generally southerly direction running roughly parallel to Cheesden brook. A line of telegraph poles have been erected along the route towards a number of residential properties in the distance.

The route is tarmaced with potholes and averages at 3-4 metres wide. It has been fenced from adjoining land on both sides by post and sheep netting fencing.

Public Footpath No. 212 joins the route from the west.

The route continues at the same width and with a compacted tarmac/stone surface in a southerly direction running parallel to a small reservoir. It is fenced

on either side with the addition of the remains of an old stone wall along the eastern side. The route is then crossed by Public Footpath No. 192 (access along the footpath provided by two stiles). It then continues for a further 50 metres bounded by walls/fence on either side before turning in a south westerly direction to run downhill. The surface of the track deteriorates slightly to comprise of compacted stone/earth surface. The wall continues along the western side of the route with a fence along the east.

Approximately 130 metres further Public Footpath No. 213 joins the route from the east. The route then passes the front of 'Moorlands' where Public Footpath No. 211 joins it from the north. From 'Moorlands', the claimed route swings round to continue in a south westerly direction and is joined by Public Footpath No. 214 (wooden stile).

The route continues in a southerly direction on a roughly tarmaced track. There are walls either side of the route although they are in a state of disrepair and the route drops gently downhill, slightly lower than the surrounding land and becoming progressively more sunken further along.

After approximately a further 150 metres Public Footpath No. 216 joins the route from the east and after a further 40 metres the route swings south west again and is joined from the east by Public Footpath No. 220 which provides vehicular access to Croston Close.

The route continues in a southerly direction and drops gently downhill for approximately 120 metres to a sharp corner where it meets Public Footpath No. 217 which is signposted from the route with a wooden routed sign. The route turns the corner to continue south westerly and drops more steeply down hill. The route is significantly lower than the surrounding land with high walls on either side and a wet but firm surface.

Public Footpath No. 214 then joins the route from the east and approximately 20 metres further south Public Footpath No. 225, providing vehicular access to Plant Close Farm, joins from the west.

Continuing south, still on a 3-4 metre wide roughly surfaced track, the route approaches a small reservoir to the east. To the west, Public Footpath No. 207 joins the route. This path is also referred to as Buckhurst Road and at the junction of the two is Buckhurst Lodge.

The route continues south to run alongside the reservoir for approximately 100 metres along a roughly surfaced and compacted track.

Public Footpath No. 218 branches off to the east providing vehicular access to Closes Farm. A wooden bench has been positioned at the junction and a gate provides access into the reservoir.

The route continues in a southerly direction for approximately 160 metres to pass under electricity pylons. The route is fenced on either side. The surface of the route is hard compacted stone and tarmac approximately 3 to 4 metres wide.

The route is then crossed by Public Footpath No. 235. The route is approximately 5 metres wide and is bounded on either side by high, well-maintained stone walls and along the western side is flanked by a plantation of trees. The route rises gently uphill with a concrete surface, broken in places.

The route continues south for a further 180 metres where it is joined by Public Footpath No. 243 from the east (also known as Deeply Vale Lane). The route continues in a generally south-south westerly direction at a width of 5 metres to where Public Footpath No. 245 joins it from the west providing vehicular access to Lark Mount.

The route continues in a south easterly direction on a good, smooth, tarmac surface that deteriorates slightly as it progresses for a distance of approximately 190 metres. The route is approximately 4 metres wide with good, well maintained stonewalls on either side.

The route turns east where Public Footpath No. 247 joins from the west. The route continues east to Cob House Nab and then sweeps around the front of the property in a south easterly direction to where Public Footpath No. 244 joins it from the east.

The route continues in a south easterly direction, walled on either side and approximately 3-4 metres wide. The surface is constructed of compacted stone/earth. The route passes over a stream and has become very overgrown.

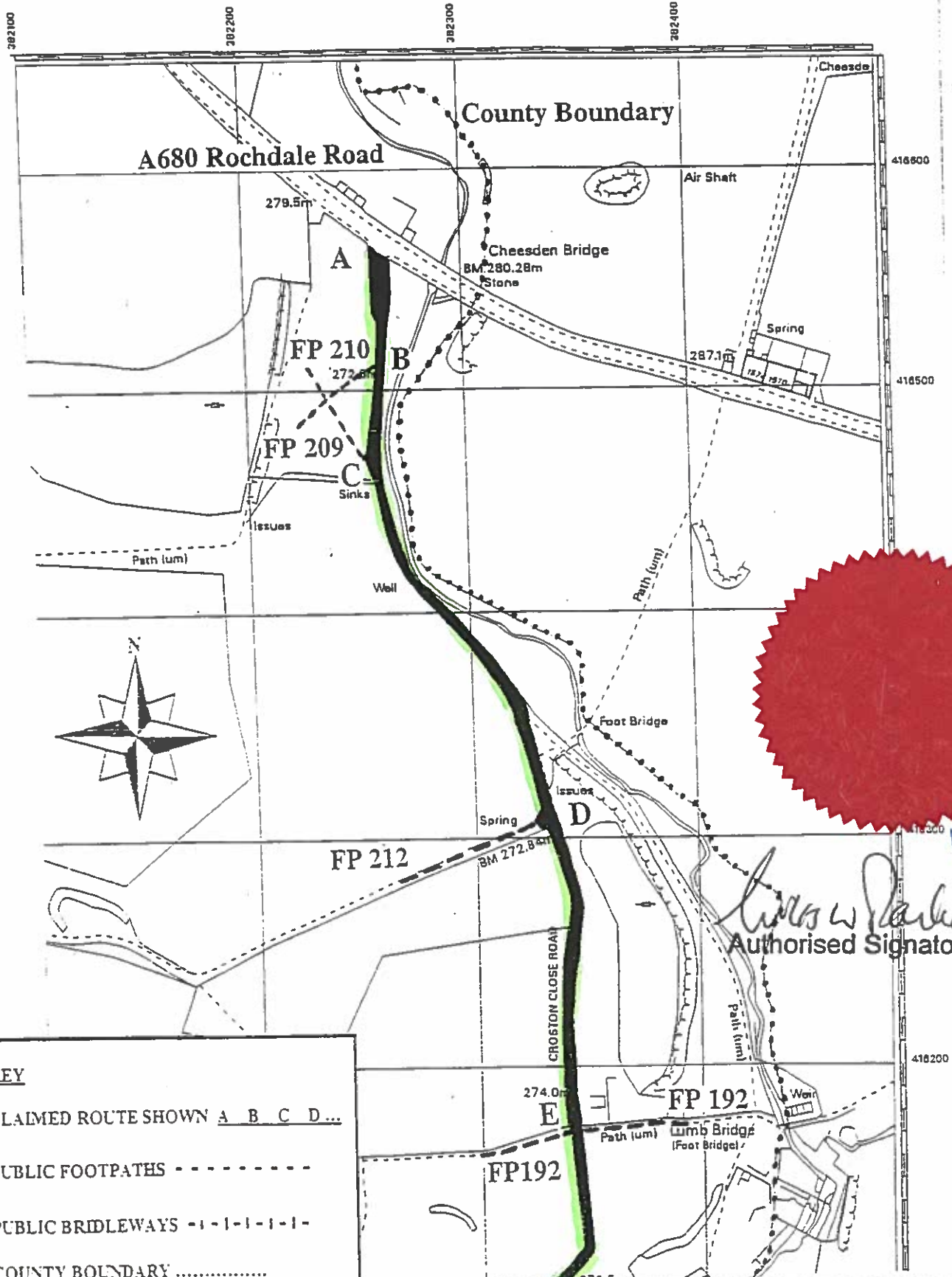
The route is bounded by stone walls and is approximately 4 metres wide. However, only a narrow strip of less than 1 metre is now available for use.

The route proceeds in a generally southerly direction rising gently uphill. Water is flowing down the centre of the path to the stream. The surface is hard suggesting that it had previously been surfaced. The water flowing along the path gets progressively deeper although the hard surface underneath remains. In some places stone appears to have been laid down to act as stepping-stones. Drainage pipes are also visible.

The route starts to rise more steeply uphill and the width of the route is restricted by an old stone gatepost that has been positioned in the centre. At this point Public Footpath No. 257 joins the route from the east.

The route opens up again to a stone surfaced 4 metres wide track. The route continues for a further 100 metres in a south westerly direction to end at its junction with Bridleway No. 205, Ramsbottom, (Castle Hill Road) and Bridleway No. 262, Ramsbottom, (Scotland Lane) where the words 'No Through Road' have been painted in white on the stonewall alongside the route and a sign has been erected on a gate post saying 'Moss Deep Farm' and 'No Parking Disinfect feet and bike tyres', (GR. 8210 1382)."





*[Signature]*  
Authorised Signatory

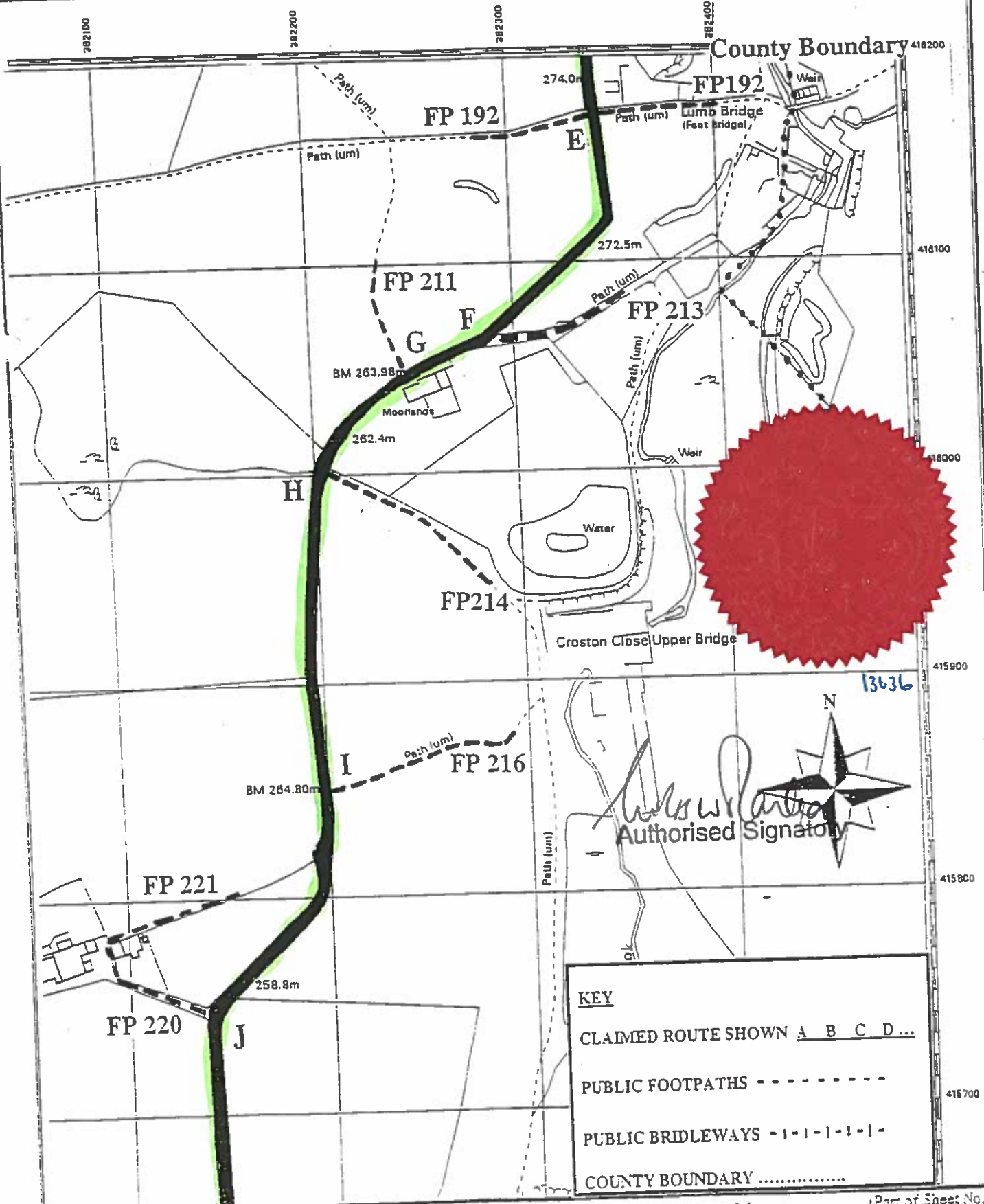
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 Ramsbottom, Rossendale Borough  
 Claim no. 804/350

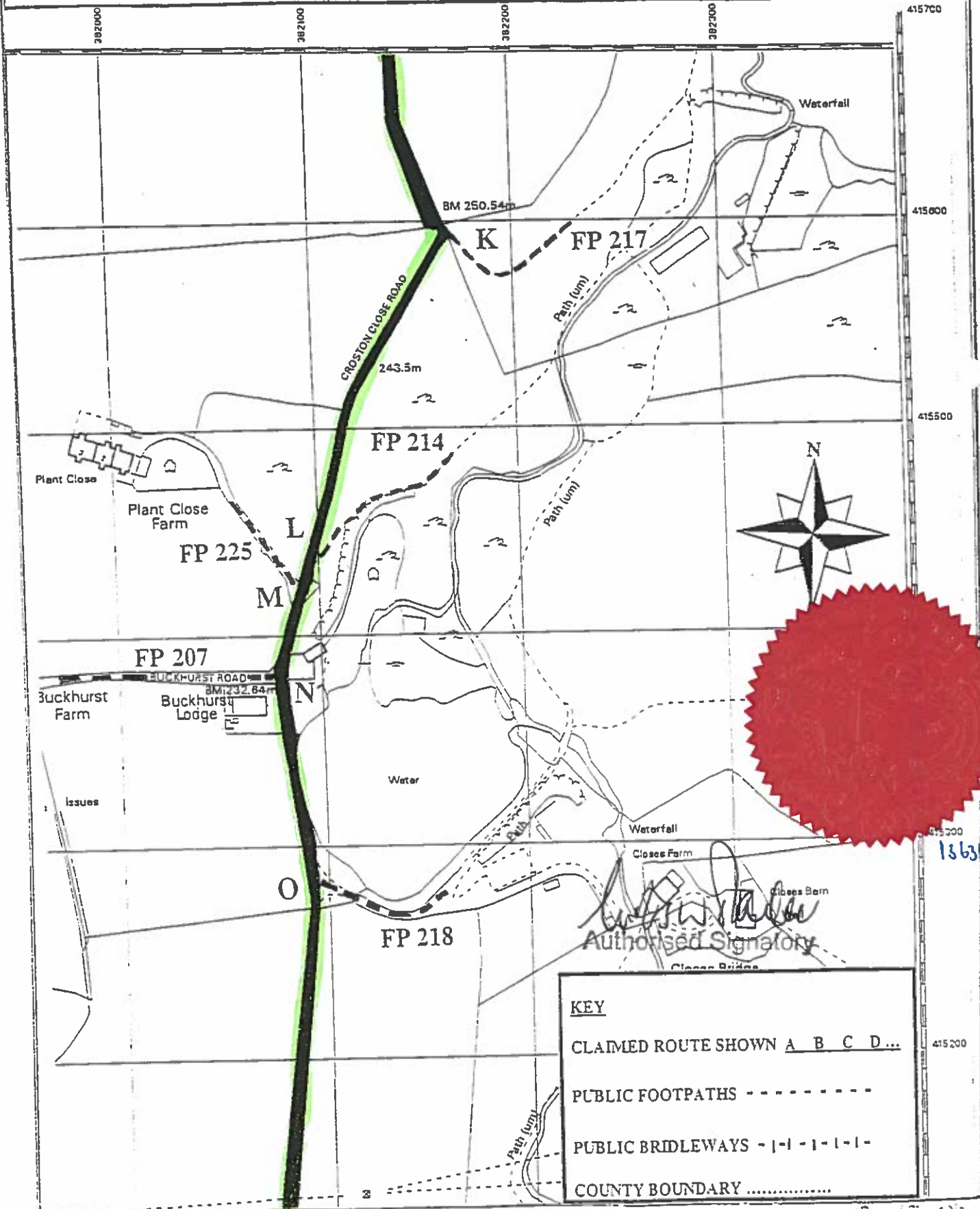
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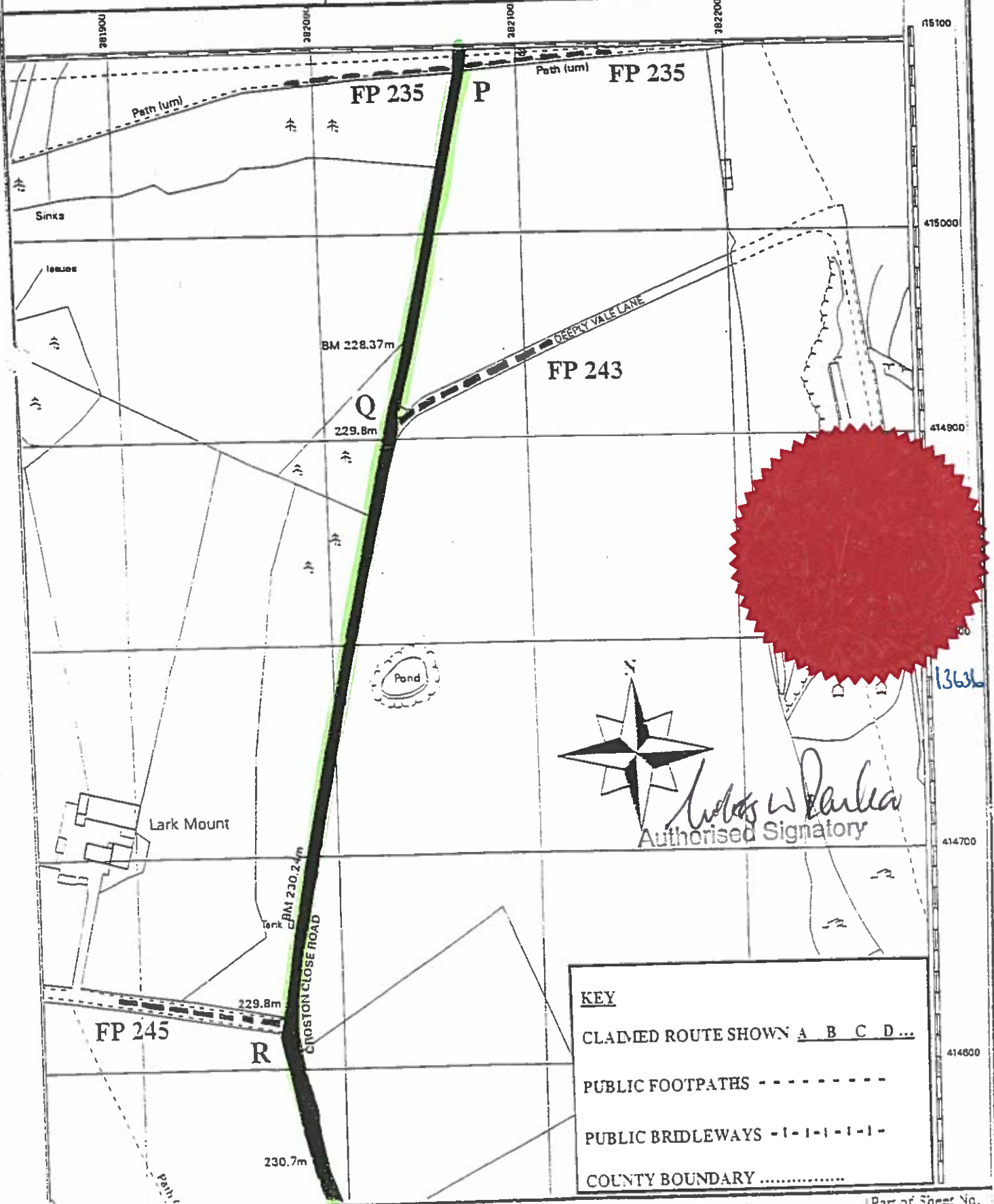
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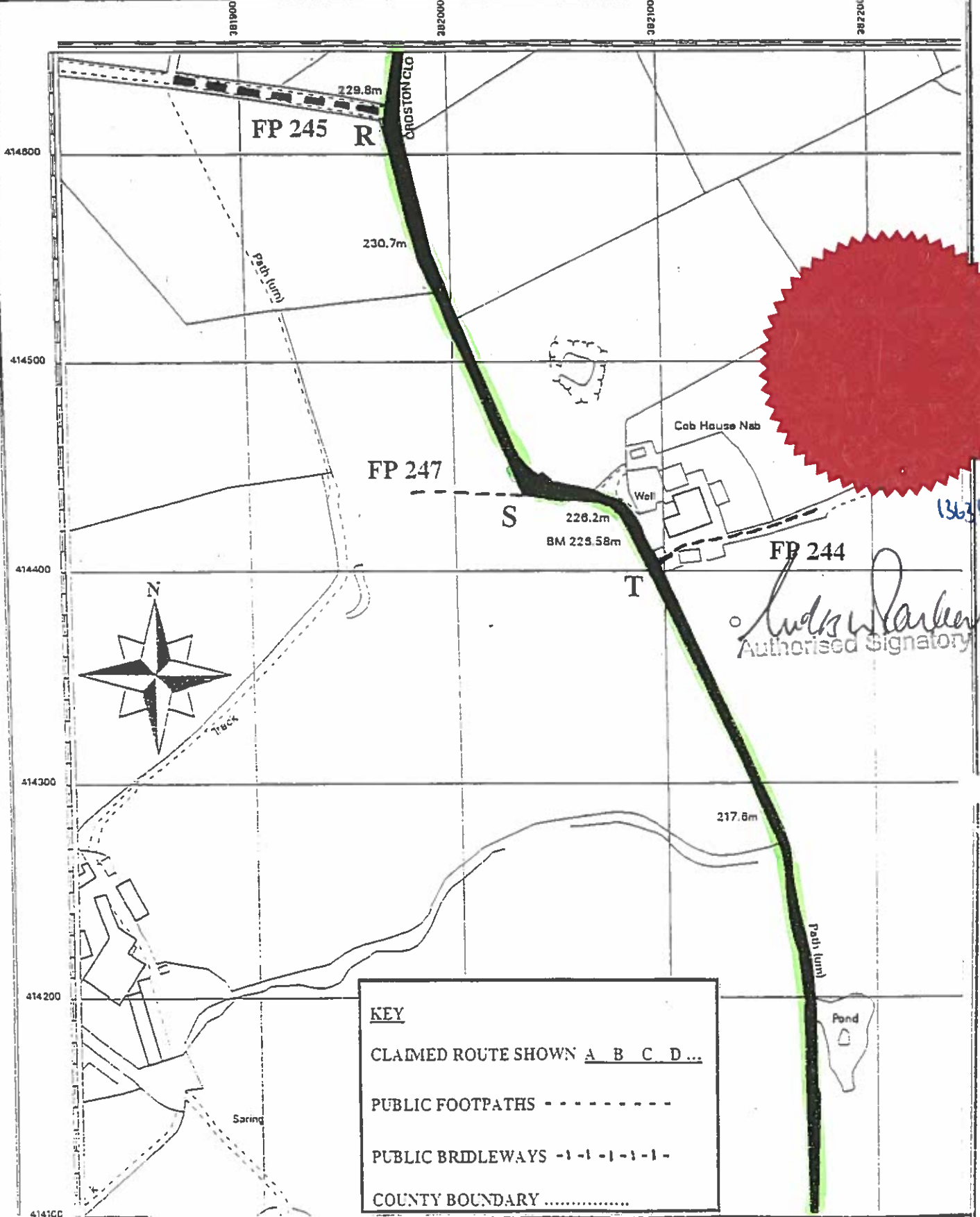


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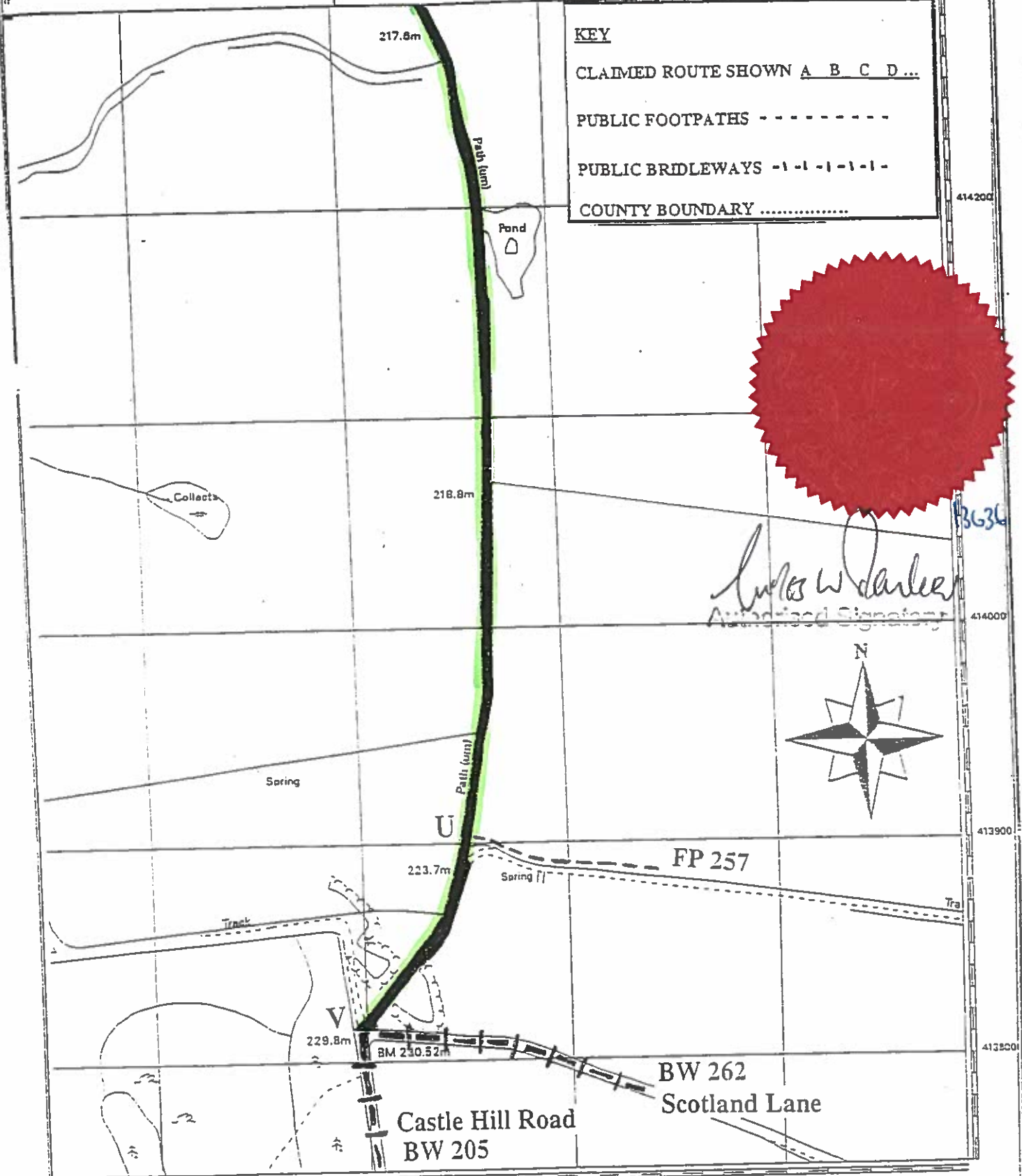
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