

## Registration of Drinkstone Parish Lands

At its March meeting, Cllrs considered a report **DPC.20.02.03** on progress towards registering Parish Lands. The meeting asked that

1. the draft letter to Lucy Blake (incorporating advice from the Parish Council's Solicitors), setting out the current position, be sent; and
2. Cllr Selvey and the Clerk to finalise a brief on which to instruct the Chartered Surveyor (attached as Appendix A).

The Solicitors previously submitted draft applications for signature, but it had been noted that the names in respect of the Allotments land had been specified incorrectly, and therefore they were not signed. The Clerk has notified the Solicitors of the corrections required, and requested new documents for signature. The documents will need to be witnessed by an independent solicitor. There is a standard fee for engaging a solicitor to witness the signing of declarations (£5 each) and supporting exhibits (£2 each) prior to them being submitted to H M Land Registry.

The original measurements indicated under the enclosure award have been checked against the maps available on Parish online, and confirm that the western edge of the track commences at 63.57 yds from the boundary.

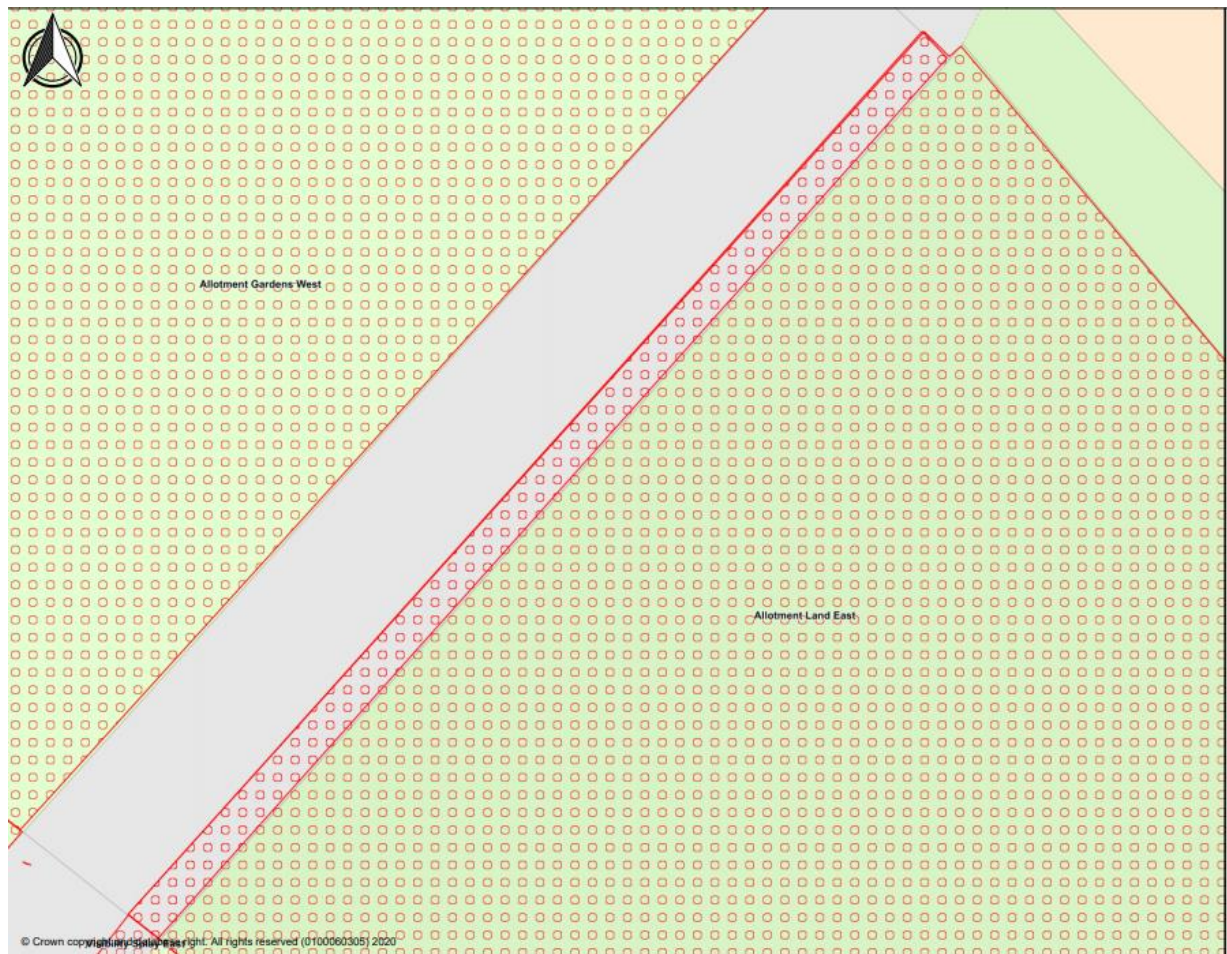
The track has been measured at a number of points from end to end, and currently averages 3.99 yds (11.97 ft). When measured by Cllrs Holborn & Moss, the actual width of the track exceeds that mapped by approximately 2'6".

Revised plans identifying the current width of the track, and indicating the strip which therefore exceeds that which was included in the inclosure agreement (and subsequently transferred to Lucy Blake under the 1936 sale of lands behind the allotments by the Education Charity) is set out overleaf for information.

### **Recommendation:**

- 1. To approve the brief for John Casson attached as Appendix A to this report**
- 2. To authorise the cost of engaging a solicitor to witness the signing of three declarations (at £5 each) and supporting exhibits (at £2 each) prior to submission to H M Land Registry.**
- 3. That the Clerk arrange a meeting with the Title holder's representative to discuss a way forward which meets the needs of the Title Holder to comply with their outline planning consent, and the responsibility of the parish council to future residents of Drinkstone with respect to protecting parish lands.**

**Hilary Workman**  
**Clerk & RFO**  
**February 2020**



**20.01.15**

**19.10.15**

**19.09.15**

**19.08.E05**

**19.04.17**

**19.02.17.2 & 17.3**

**18.11.15 Original Plan prepared based on 1848 Inclosure award**

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