



The footpath following the Reabrook shown has been used continuously and very frequently for many years but is NOT a Public Footpath. There is a danger that at some point in the future it could be blocked by the landowner or developed. In order to guarantee its future availability I am attempting to claim it as a historic footpath and have it registered as a Public Footpath under the terms of Sect 31 of the Highways Act 1980.

It is an important recreational amenity for both Bayston Hill and Meole Brace, forming part of circular walks from either and joining up with existing footpaths (shown in green). A headcount of its use in April averaged 30 walkers per weekday, rising to a peak of 70 on one Sunday. It is also a natural extension of the Reabrook footpath and green corridor running all the way from the town centre.

My claim includes c40 Witness Statements of usage and satellite imagery from 1999 showing the path. It is also included in several recommended local walks on Shrewsbury Council's website. There should be no detrimental impact on the landowner as it is already in constant use – this would just guarantee its future.

As the footpath is South of the Reabrook it falls within the realm of Bayston Hill Parish. If you feel able to support this action some form of statement to that effect could be added to the claim and would greatly enhance its chances of success.

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