STATEMENT OF TRUTH OF NEAL CROWE

My name is Neal Crowe and I live at 32 Masefield Road, Warminster, Wiltshire, BA12 8HR.

The facts in this statement come from my personal knowledge.

1. I am a freelance handyman / groundskeeper and I have worked on the outbuildings, grounds and gardens of Cannimore Farm, Cannimore Lane, Warminster for somewhere in the region of 20 years. The first 17 years for the former owners Mr and Mrs Hutchings, latterly just Mrs Hutchings, and more recently for Mr and Mrs Braddick Hughes.

2. I am very familiar with the gardens grounds and outbuildings at Cannimore Farm. My responsibilities over the years have been to maintain the gardens, cut the paddock and hedges, maintain the fences around the gardens, and carry out routine maintenance to the buildings. As such I had, and still have access to many of the outbuilding and am fully aware of their usage.

3. At no stage during my time as groundskeeper here, have any of the buildings been used for agriculture or farming. Mr and Mrs Hutchings were not engaged in farming at all. They were car enthusiasts and also were "collectors". Likewise, Mr and Mrs Braddick Hughes are not engaged in farming or agriculture.

4. The fields attached to the house are rented by a neighbouring farmer and he looks after them. I have been responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of the domestic / residential areas. This includes the buildings around the yard, the formal garden and the paddock on the other side of the stream for well over 10 years, which I kept mown as a lawn. The outbuildings are not currently and have not been used for agricultural purposes during my time here. They been used for storage of cars, personal hobby equipment, personal belongings, and domestic tools for use in the gardens.

5. My understanding is that Cannimore Farm has not been a working farm in respect of the buildings and yard for certainly in excess of 40 years.

I confirm that the facts detailed in this statement are true.

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.....18-1-2024..... Date