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From: Keith Edwards [ed-mail@blueyonder.co.uk]

Sent: 12 May 2016 14:10

To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk

Subject: Stoke Lodge Parkland

Dear Mrs Mayer

I write in connection with the forthcoming inquiry.

I have lived in this area for over forty years and, throughout that time, have frequently enjoyed the green space of parkland surrounding Stoke Lodge.

One of my hobbies is watercolour painting and many of the views around the park have provided inspiration for my artwork. It is a delightful area for a casual stroll – particularly in the evening when peace and tranquillity may be enjoyed.

Of course, more recently, the creation of the children's play park has provided yet an additional reason for my visits, with my grandchildren, crossing the playing fields from the access at the end of West Dene. The children love the freedom of the open space on our walk there – often somewhat circuitous in its route. Often our return journey is by way of the exit path leading into Cheyne Road.

I hope that the application is successful in achieving the status of Town or Village Green for the future continued enjoyment by the whole of the neighbourhood.

Yours sincerely
Keith Edwards
71 Coombe Lane
Stoke Bishop
Bristol BS9 2AZ

Escardo-Paton Julia

From: david mayer [dnmayer@msn.com]
Sent: 14 May 2016 09:34
To: Susan Mayer
Subject: FW: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from
Julia Escardo-Paton

-----Original Message-----

From: Julia Escardo-Paton [mailto:escaj99@doctors.org.uk]
Sent: 13 May 2016 22:40
To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com
Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Julia
Escardo-Paton

Name: Julia Escardo-Paton

Email Address: escaj99@doctors.org.uk

Message:

Dear Sir/Madam,

My name is Julia Escardo-Paton and I live at 25 Grove Road, Coombe Dingle,
Bristol BS9 2RJ.

I strongly support the Town or Village Green application for Stoke Lodge as I
would like to see that it remains a parkland for the community to use and enjoy.

I love Stoke Lodge! I use it frequently to watch my children play sports
(football and rugby) at the weekends and to walk my dog on weekdays. I use it
at least once per week. Occasionally, I take my children there after school to
play too. Every time I go to Stoke Lodge, I remark to myself how lucky we, in
the local community, are to have such a beautiful parkland at our doorstep. To
lose it would be disastrous and very sad.

Sue Mayer

From: Roger Evely [rsevely@btinternet.com]
Sent: 17 May 2016 14:39
To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk
Subject: Stoke lodge

I am writing to express my concerns regarding Bristol City council's proposal for Stoke lodge's green parkland. A huge number of people rely on this area for recreation, exercise, sport and general well being, as they have done for as long and longer than I have lived in Bristol. This is the last green space in Stoke Bishop, which my children played regular sports on Saturdays, we use it to walk my mothers dog, for art classes and recreational activities. To accommodate the large number of people who use this green space in addition to the wonderful children's play ground the entire field needs to be available. This valuable space should be a preserved town green for all to use young to old and dogs. My address is 4 Birbeck rd, Stoke bishop Bristol BS9 1BD Susan Evely Sent from my iPad=

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From: G Evans [seasquab@gmail.com]

Sent: 11 May 2016 09:06

To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk

Subject: Stoke Lodge Parkland

Dear Sue,

Many thanks for highlighting once again the issues relating to the use of Stoke Lodge Parklands.

We moved to Bristol, Stoke Hill in 2008, first as renters then as purchasers from Somerset and took our time to explore the area in deciding where to live.

Those explorations took us round all the parkland areas; Blaize, Downs, and Stoke Lodge, in choosing somewhere close to an oasis of calm and openness. As part of that exploration we had picnics at each on the sunny days with friends and family and watched the sunsets with a beer when time allowed - and of course that would be where the space and views or shelter were "best" according to season, so not a casual stroll on a periferary path.

Since then we've lived closest to the Downs but have continued to use Blaize and Stoke Lodge for ourselves, with family and friends and more recently a young lady with Downs syndrome who we offer respite care to once a week. Stoke Lodge has been particularly significant for me not least because of the adult education centre where I've attended several classes over several years and am a current attendee. With weekly visits to the park there has been no reason not to take some private time out to walk around and see what's growing where and when, for such time is the inspiration for body and soul and cannot be replaced or undervalued under any circumstances.

Designating the parkland as a Village Green is sadly essential for the wellbeing of all, as then, now and for the future. Very best luck with such a noble and worthy campaign which I fully support.

Regards,

Mrs Gill Evans

Flat 2, Severnleigh House, 1 Stoke Hill, Bristol. BS9 1JE

Tel 0117 9090605

Sue Mayer

From: david mayer [dnmayer@msn.com]
Sent: 20 May 2016 08:02
To: Susan Mayer
Subject: FW: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from M.Evans

-----Original Message-----

From: M.Evans [mailto:Markaevans@virginmedia.com]
Sent: 19 May 2016 21:09
To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com
Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from M.Evans

Name: M.Evans

Email Address: Markaevans@virginmedia.com

Message:

Mark Evans, 24Parry's Grove, bs9 1tt.

I very much support the application for Town or Village Green. We use the parkland several times a week to play games, run, children to learn to cycle, play on the playground, build snowmen and sledge in winter, pick blackberries, etc..

The parkland is a fantastic and valuable local amenity. Fresh air and space for the family and children to play safely is wonderful and should not be allowed to be developed!

Regards M.Evans

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From: Fiona Hollyman [fi_hollyman@hotmail.com]
Sent: 07 May 2016 19:19
To: Sue Mayer
Subject: Re: SSLP - Town Green Statement of usage

Sue,

In addition to my statement I confirm that when I use the field I use the middle of it. I cross the middle past the tree to get to my parents, I take my children and play in the lower half and when I do interval runs I cut across the lower part: last time I ran in there (29th April 2016) I finished the run by sprinting from an elderberry bush to one of the goal posts and back.

Fiona Evans
34, Bell Barn Rd.,
Stoke Bishop

From: Judith [judithmevans@hotmail.co.uk]
Sent: 10 May 2016 17:35
To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk
Subject: Town Green - Statement of Usage

To whom it may concern

I have lived in our house overlooking Stoke Lodge for 33 years, so I am well placed to know how the field has been used during this time.

We have a gate opening onto the field from our back garden and until our children left home it was in regular use. They and their friends were in and out of the field via the gate for many years. We have had impromptu games of football, rounders, cricket and frisbee there, as well as picnics with neighbours and friends. The gate still exists. Our children also took part in a variety of activities organised by the Brownies and Guides in the field during the 1980s and 90s.

From our house I have observed a huge number of adults and children enjoying the open space of Stoke Lodge for the last 33 years. Dog walkers (of course) and runners, footballers, cricketers, rugby players. I have seen people walking, jogging, flying kites, practising tai chi or golf swings, photographing trees and wild life. The BBC used the field as the site for one of their Nature Watch programmes some years ago.

We have joined groups of people in the field to watch The Red Arrows and other flypasts, including the last flight made by Concorde. The open space of Stoke Lodge is also ideal for watching the Hot Air Balloons flying over in the summer; some of them have landed here. We enjoy walking across the field with our grandchildren to the wonderful new playground and in recent weeks going to see how the amazing tree carving is coming along.

School use of the playing field has been intermittent in recent years, and seems to have ceased altogether.

I am in no doubt that Stoke Lodge has been used and enjoyed by a very large number of people of all ages continuously for the whole time we have lived here.

Judith Evans

14, Stoke Paddock

Stoke Bishop

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Sue Mayer

From: Mariette Farrell [mariette@mfarrell.co.uk]
Sent: 19 May 2016 15:40
To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk
Subject: Use of Stoke Lodge Grounds

From: Mariette Farrell [mailto:mariette@mfarrell.co.uk]
Sent: 19 May 2016 15:38
To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk
Subject: Use of Stoke Lodge Grounds

Dear Sue

I have used Stoke Lodge playing fields for nearly forty years, since we first moved into Stoke Bishop with our three small children until now when we continue to visit the area with our grandchildren.

We have picnicked there, played games: hide and seek, ball games, running games and races, we have used it for nature study and for all too valuable quality time with friends and family, just walking around and enjoying the pleasure of being there. The space has always been there for us; I am grateful for having been able to use it because it has been so beneficial to me and to my friends and family firmly believe that this amenity should be available to those who come after. Now we are older, we continue to enjoy just walking around there, kicking up the fallen leaves in autumn and enjoying the peace the area offers.

I do hope future inhabitants of Stoke Bishop and the neighbouring areas may continue to enjoy this space for many generations to come.

With all good wishes,

Mariette.

Mariette Farrell
48 Old Sneed Avenue
Stoke Bishop
Bristol
BS9 1SE

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Sue Mayer

From: Mariette Farrell [mariette@mf Farrell.co.uk]
Sent: 19 May 2016 16:01
To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk
Subject: Stoke Lodge Town or Village Green application

Dear Mrs Mayer,

My name is Martin Farrell and I live at 48 Old Sneed Avenue, Stoke Bishop, Bristol BS9 1SE. I have been a resident of Stoke Bishop since 1977 i.e. 39 years. During this time I have used the fields at Stoke Lodge at various times for various purposes. When my children were growing up between 1977 until 1985, when they became teenagers, my wife and I regularly used to take them to Stoke Lodge to have a run around, play hide and seek etc. I also used to take the 43rd Bristol cub scout pack to the playing fields in order to play "wide games" during the time when I ran the pack during the early 1980s. In more recent times, we have successively taken our grandchildren to the playing fields to run around on a regular basis but especially so when there have been markings for a running track. We started doing this in 2005 with the first set of grandchildren which we did for some 5 or 6 years then continued with the second set until 2011 when they left Bristol and now continue to do so with the third set.

Kind regards.

Martin Farrell

Sue Mayer

From: Peter Fitzsimons [bearnish@waitrose.com]
Sent: 19 May 2016 17:00
To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk
Subject: Stoke Lodge

Florence & Peter Fitzsimons
20 Sunnyside Cottages
BS9 1BQ

We have lived in our current address since 1979. From that time until 1995 our children used Stoke Lodge for cricket, football and many other activities.

For the last fifteen years we have been walking over Stoke Lodge as access for our regular half-hour keep fit walks to the Blaise Estate so as to avoid traffic.

For the last five years our grandson has been using it for organised and "kick-about" football and practicing his long jump technique.

Florence & Peter Fitzsimons

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From: Kirst Foord [<mailto:kirst@vpasagency.com>]

Sent: 10 May 2016 10:59

To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk

Subject: Stoke Lodge Park

Hi Sue

I believe you are the person to email regarding the proposed plans for Stoke Lodge Park.

Our girls (10 year old and twins that are 7) use this park and love walking through it.

We live in Stoke Lane and the girls go to Stoke Bishop Primary.

We moved to Bristol 18 months ago and we would be sad to see the park closed to public access.

I love to run around the park as well!

Kind regards

Kirst

68 Stoke Lane, BS93SW



Kirst Foord | Director

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Reach me anywhere on Skype: kirstenfoord

--Original Message-----

From: sam forkes [mailto:sforkes@gmail.com]

Sent: 10 May 2016 13:38

To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com

Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from sam forkes

Name: sam forkes

Email Address: sforkes@gmail.com

Message:

Hi

We would like to save stoke lodge parkland. We use it on a fortnightly basis to play with our small children...football, Frisbee, daisy chains. It would be a real loss to the community if it was to be closed

15, Reedley Rd
Westbury-on-Trym
BS 9 3SR

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French Stephanie

From: Stephanie French [stephanie@srfrench.co.uk]

Sent: 09 May 2016 15:12

To: Susan Mayer

Subject: My usage of Stoke Lodge Parkland

Dear Susan,

As I put in my Statement I have used Stoke Lodge Playing Field land as an Open Space.

This was without force and without seeking permission, but quite openly.

I have walked across it (i.e. not just a casual stroll around the edge) to get from a. to b., say Shirehampton Road to West Dene/Coombe Lane, or Parry's Lane at Ebenezer Lane to the Adult Education Centre.

I have with others used the large grassy area. I was with a group of like minded folk practicing Tai Chi during two whole summers about 2 years ago. We would spread out beyond the slope down from the house towards the new children's playground and occupy a couple of hours practicing at least every week for about 6 or 7 weeks (depending on the weather).

We were never challenged by BCC staff.

Thanks

Dr Stephanie French
18 Old Sneed Avenue
Stoke Bishop
Bristol BS9 1SE

From: Isobel Gelder [mailto:isobel.gelder@gmail.com]

Sent: 07 May 2016 17:21

To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com

Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Isobel Gelder

I wish the council to know how strongly all residents of Queens Gate feel about the status of Stoke Lodge Parkland remaining as it is for the benefit of the community. I walk there several times a week, schools and sports associations use it frequently and it is the last of such facilities left in the area. We need open spaces for the good of our health and that of our young who play sport there.

Please listen to those who pay tax in this area.

Best wishes

Isobel Gelder

I live at 7, Queens Gate

Tel: 9835128

Email Address: isobel.gelder@gmail.com

Message: No 2 Sent: 18 May 2016 13:08

It would be a tragedy for children and adults all over Bristol if these facilities were lost and particularly for local residents. It is the one piece of open space available for sporting activities and walking in safety. It is treasured and truly appreciated by all who live locally. Please consider the affects it would have on thousands of people.

Best wishes

Isobel Gelder

7, Queens Gate

Tel

9835128

-----Original Message-----

From: Abi Gibbs [mailto:frank.gibbs@virgin.net]

Sent: 11 May 2016 21:31

To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com

Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: *Contact form submission from Abi Gibbs*

Name: Abi Gibbs

Email Address: frank.gibbs@virgin.net

Message:

My family use Stoke Lodge on a regular basis. One of my daughters has football training there once a week over the summer and matches once a week in the winter. We use the playground less frequently - maybe once a month - as the kids are getting older, but probably once a month in the summer (more often in the holidays) we go to kick a ball, have a picnic or play frisbee. I also run through it once a week. My children have also had sports days with Brownies, and nature days with school and with Brownies there.

It is a beautiful, peaceful and increasingly rare facility and I fully support its application for town green status.

17, Rylestone Grove,
Stoke Bishop
BS9 3UT

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From: Clive Giobatta [clive@giobatta.com]

Sent: 08 May 2016 09:59

To: Susan Mayer

Subject: Town Green Application

I have lived at 42 Queens Gate (directly opposite Stoke Lodge Parkland) for ten years.

I am 70 years of age and walk around the park twice a day and have done for the past ten years. This is my exercise.

I have three grandchildren and regularly use the park for football and games with my two grandsons, and obviously we use the Children's park regularly.

Obtaining Town Green status for Stoke Lodge will secure a recreational space for future generations of local residents.

Kind regards

Clive Gio-Batta

07836592014

clive@giobatta.com

Sue Giobatta Stoke Lodge Parkland Town Green Application

From: Sue Gio-Batta [suegio@me.com]

Sent: 08 May 2016 10:17

To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk

Subject: Stoke Lodge Parkland Town Green Application

I have lived at 42 Queens Gate, opposite Stoke Lodge, for the past ten years. I have been a regular user of the Parkland during that time for several purposes. Both my husband and myself use the parkland for exercise, walking the field a couple of times each day.

I have three grandchildren and I take them, several times each week, across to the park where we play games in the field and use the children's park. There is nothing better than to see little ones have the space to run and play in the middle of this magnificent parkland. We also have picnics in the field in the summer weather permitting. This has been on a regular basis over the past ten years.

I also attend an Art Class at Stoke Lodge and have done since moving here. As a class we regularly use the field and its magnificent trees as subjects for our studies. I know from talking to my Art Tutor that the parkland has been used for many many years by students of Stoke Lodge.

It is vital that the Town Green Application is granted. This lovely recreational space should be available for use by local residents as it has been for many years. We have to consider our future generations and the availability of green space for their use.

Sue Gio-Batta

42 Queens Gate, Stoke Bishop, BS9 1TZ

Sent from my iPad=

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Gist Stuart

From: david mayer [dnmayer@msn.com]
Sent: 11 May 2016 08:21
To: Susan Mayer
Subject: FW: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from
Stuart Gist

-----Original Message-----

From: Stuart Gist [mailto:stuartgisty@hotmail.com]
Sent: 10 May 2016 13:13
To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com
Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Stuart Gist

Name: Stuart Gist

Email Address: stuartgisty@hotmail.com

Message:

Address : 59 Parrys Lane, Stoke Bishop BS91AH

Living on Parrys Lane, we have always used the Stoke Lodge parkland since our children, now 6 and 4, were babies. We walk, kick a ball around and generally enjoy fine weather in the park and we have regularly used the new childrens' play area since it opened.

Sue Mayer

From: david mayer [dnmayer@msn.com]
Sent: 22 May 2016 08:38
To: Susan Mayer
Subject: FW: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from John and Judy Goulding

-----Original Message-----

From: John and Judy Goulding [mailto:jgoulding@blueyonder.co.uk]
Sent: 21 May 2016 09:20
To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com
Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from John and Judy Goulding

Name: John and Judy Goulding

Email Address: jgoulding@blueyonder.co.uk

Message:

We have lived at 43 Shirehampton Road for 45 years. We have enjoyed access to and across the fields for all of this time.

Stoke Lodge and its parkland is a tremendous asset to Bristol providing schools and the adult population with recreational and educational facilities.

Its status should be seen as equally sacrosanct as that as the Downs, Queen Square or even Ashton Court. Green lungs have been lost over the years particularly in the immediate vicinity. Its time to call a halt.

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Sue Mayer

From: LEELA GRANT [leelagrانت@btinternet.com]
Sent: 16 May 2016 21:51
To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk
Subject: Fw: Re Stoke Lodge Parkland

Am re-sending as I addressed this wrongly originally!

On Saturday, 14 May 2016, 10:43, LEELA GRANT <leelagrانت@btinternet.com> wrote:

Hello Sue,

I moved to Stoke Bishop in 2005 and have been a regular walker in Stoke Lodge with my dogs and I have taken my grandchildren for walks there when they have come to stay. It's a secure haven within a busy built-up area, a delightful space in which to appreciate the seasonal changes and somewhere safe for all to walk and run in the fresh air. I hope we do not lose this precious amenity. Thank you all for pursuing the Town and Village Green designation for Stoke Lodge.

Leela Grant, 27 Shaplants, BS9 1AY

-----Original Message-----

From: Ben Grantham [<mailto:ben@bengrantham.co.uk>]

Sent: 13 May 2016 15:53

To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com

Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Ben Grantham

Name: Ben Grantham

Email Address: ben@bengrantham.co.uk

Address: 6 Glen Drive, Stoke Bishop, Bristol BS91SB

I hear that Stoke Lodge is at risk if it isn't granted "Town or village Green" status in June 2016. I just wanted to let you know that me and my family would be very disappointed if this didn't go through and that we support the application. We live at the bottom of Stoke Hill (Glen Drive) and regularly use the space. We use the children's park (it's fantastic) and the grassland all around the lodge. We often watch the sport going on up there and when the grass isn't being used, will often play ball games amongst ourselves and/or with friends. As such, the space provides great value to us as a family (including 2 young children). Please do your best to secure this parkland for our future use.

Many thanks,

Ben Grantham, Helen Grantham, Louie Grantham (Age 5), Joseph Grantham (Age 2)

Sue Mayer

From: david mayer [dnmayer@msn.com]
Sent: 17 May 2016 18:15
To: Susan Mayer
Subject: FW: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Jane & Mark Glanville

-----Original Message-----

From: Jane & Mark Glanville [mailto:glanville7@hotmail.com]
Sent: 17 May 2016 16:26
To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com
Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Jane & Mark Glanville

Name: Jane & Mark Glanville

Email Address: glanville7@hotmail.com

Message:

Hi

We think Stoke Lodge Parkland should be kept as a community space. We live at 9 Lyndale Avenue just around the corner and appreciate having it on our doorstep. We strongly believe we need to preserve our green spaces in cities for the enjoyment of locals and as wildlife habitats. Well done for all you are doing.

Jane & Mark Glanville

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Sue Mayer

From: sgolik@tesco.net
Sent: 19 May 2016 22:50
To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk
Subject: Stoke Lodge use

From:

Stan Golik
39 Druid Hill
Bristol, BS9 1EH

I moved to this address in June 1990. At that time my daughter was 4 years old and for the next 6 years or so I was playing football and other games with her and her friends 2/3 times per week.

From 1990 till 2009 I was jogging 3 times per week in Stoke Lodge. Since 2010 I switched to High Intensity Interval Training, in form of multiple sprints across the fields, 3 times per week.

Every August and September I enjoy gathering blackberries in Stoke Lodge.

My daughter represents UK in softball and frequently uses Stoke Lodge for her training.

Regards,

Stan

20/05/2016

Fioona Grinham [mailto:fiona.grinham@sky.com]

Sent: 18 May 2016 19:58

To: suemayer@blueyonder.co.uk

Subject: Usage of Stoke Lodge

Dear Sue:

I met you this afternoon with Ann Wright and promised i would write regarding the above subject.

I came from Africa to Shirehampton in 2002, knew almost no one but bought a dog, and was introduced to Stoke Lodge by dog walking friends. It became a regular meeting place, not solely for communal dog walks but also for blackberry picking, elderflower collecting and, latterly, grandchildren using the excellent play area. It is the one place where I feel at home, comfortable and safe, either by myself or with friends and I would feel lost without this friendly amenity. I sincerely hope that all your hard work with bear the fruit it deserves and that we can all continue to use Stoke Lodge, as it is at present.

Kind regards,
Fiona Grinham
9 Myrtle Drive,
Shirehampton
BS11 9XX

Sue Mayer

From: david mayer [dnmayer@msn.com]
Sent: 22 May 2016 08:38
To: Susan Mayer
Subject: FW: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Andrew and Pauline Gulland

-----Original Message-----

From: Andrew and Pauline Gulland [mailto:gullandandrew@gmail.com]
Sent: 21 May 2016 11:38
To: stokelodgetvg@yahoo.com
Subject: Save Stoke Lodge Website: Contact form submission from Andrew and Pauline Gulland

Name: Andrew and Pauline Gulland

Email Address: gullandandrew@gmail.com

Message:

We enjoy using the park for a variety of purposes: walking the dog, meeting other park users, watching games, playing with the grandchildren in the play area, admiring the magnificent trees, We would be very sorry to lose any of the amenities and the community spirit they engender. We support the "Town or Village Green" application.

Andrew and Pauline Gulland.

12 West Coombe
Bristol BS9 2BA