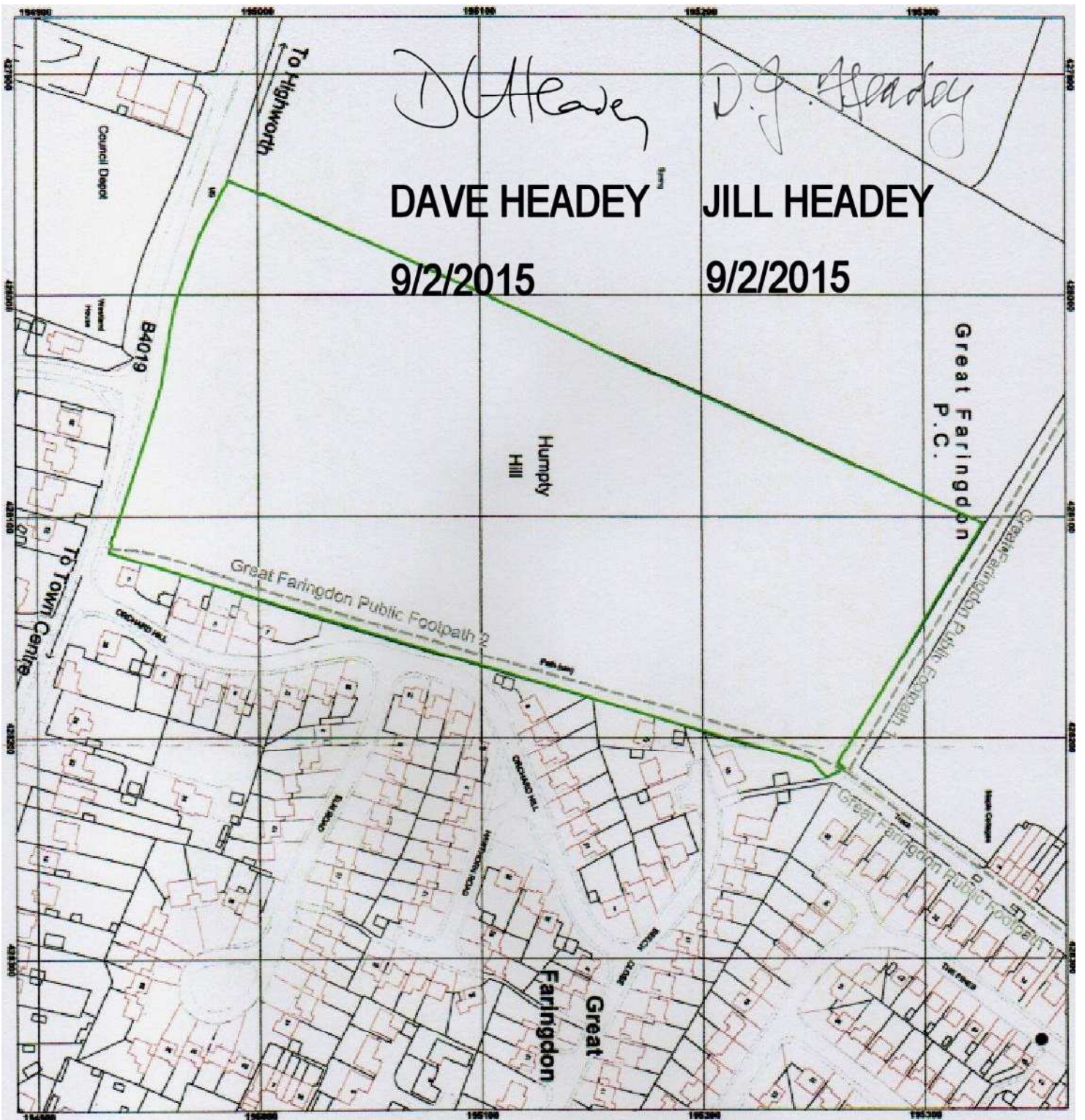




**Commons Act 2006**

**Sec 15 (1)**

**Application to Register  
a Village Green in  
Great Faringdon**

**NLREG34: Great Faringdon  
Humpty Hill**

**Town or Village Green  
Application Land**



**Area: 5.5 hectares approx.**

**Approximate route of  
unaffected rights of way**



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## **Use of Humpty Hill – evidence for Public Inquiry**

Since moving to Faringdon 38 years ago, Humpty Hill has been an important part of our life.

The walk into Faringdon town centre from our house, while normally straight down Coxwell Road with its traffic, is frequently varied by turning left along Highworth Road and then going through the gate into Humpty Hill field, downhill and into the top end of Canada Lane. It's a very small detour but one we use a lot in the summer months when the weather is fine. One of us (Jill) has found it particularly lovely in the evening when you can see spectacular sunsets.

When our children were small we would use the field in winter for tobogganing, along with many Faringdon families with small children. Whenever there is snow it is still used as such.

As a Faringdon allotment holder one of us (Dave) uses this route frequently in harvest season, returning with bags of fruit and vegetables. It's a thirteen minute walk (and steep on the return journey!), as opposed to five minutes drive, but well worth it from a personal point of view as well as for carbon emissions.

We have never had a dog, but now occasionally take our widowed neighbour's dog for a run round Humpty Hill field. He is on a long lead, but loves to get off the path and on to the field whenever he can.

It is worth pointing out that the "right of way" down the east side of the field would cease to have the appeal it does if it were a narrow corridor between building developments. It is the open field, and the views of the Thames valley and Cotswolds beyond, that make this such an attractive option.

The preservation of this field as a Town Green will be of immense value to all residents of the town, particularly those of us who live in the southern part, where there is very little other publicly accessible open space within easy reach. Although Faringdon would be described as a rural environment it is fast becoming urbanised and Humpty Hill is one of the very few spots (if not the only) on this side of town where within a very short walk you can really feel you are in the countryside.

**Dave and Jill Headey**