

# HISTORICAL DMMO CLAIM FOR THE UNRECORDED 'BRIDLE ROAD' Heading North-West Beyond Longridge Avenue, Saltdean, Brighton.

## 1. Introduction

This application for a Definitive Map Modification Order Claim for the unrecorded 'Bridle Road' (B.R.) is based on **historical and other documentary evidence**. It has been an ancient 'Droeway' and recorded on Ordnance Survey (O.S.) maps since around 1893. It is supported by the Brighton & Hove Local Access Forum.

Please see attached document 'DMMO Application Pack Longridge Ave.

## 2. Historical Evidence

**Maps** (see additional Zip file of Maps DMMO Claim Longridge Ave.)

**MAP 1.** The claimed route for a Bridleway to be reinstated and added to the definitive map is from TQ 123456 to TQ 789012. See Ordnance Survey (OS) Explorer OL11, Brighton & Hove, 1:25,000 scale.

This Map no longer shows a B.R. just a fence and boundary line, part of the northern end of the fence however, no longer exists.

**Map 2.** Ramblers Don't Lose Your Way campaign map: Unrecorded routes (Blue dashes) from OS six-inch map 1888-1913, overlaid onto current OS map.

**Map 3.** The first Triangulation survey of Sussex was carried out in stages from 1793-4. The first edition of the one-inch OS Sheet No 88 Hastings, published on 1<sup>st</sup> February 1831. This shows the existence of a 'route' from the coast heading north east in the direction of Telscombe.

**MAP 4.** In his book 'SALTDEAN From old Photographs' Douglas d'Enno identifies an 1825 map showing **The Droeway** which would become Longridge Avenue, and passed north of The Banning onto Telscombe then ultimately to Lewes.

This is also mentioned by an entry in The Encyclopaedia of Brighton by Timothy Carder. "171.SALTDEAN Longridge Avenue: Saltdean's main shopping street was formally a trackway known as the **Droeway**, and it divides Brighton from Telscombe parish for most of its length".

**Map 5.** O.S. Map, Sussex sheets LXVI S.E. and LXV11 1893, shows the 'Bridle Road'(B.R.) from the coast by Saltdean Cottages heading NE past Upper Bannings.

**Map 6.** O.S. Map Sussex LXVII S.W. Revised 1898, 'enlarged' shows the B.R. left of the 'Boundary Stones' (B.S.)

**Map 7.** The B.R. is shown on the OS Plan TQ3903, Scale 1: 2500 or 25 inches to 1 mile. Revised in 1954.

### 3. Additional Evidence

#### 3.1 Photos of both ends of the B.R.



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Sent: Thursday, 27 Feb, 20 At 12:58  
Subject: Longridge Ave path extension (Telscombe 1 northwards)

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Glad to hear of the successful conclusion of your Black Rock path claim.

While researching the history of Homebush Ave and elsewhere in the locality for other path claims it has occurred to me that a RoW claim for the former northward's continuation of **Longridge Ave up to Northend Road** (now the bridleway that curves round to Harvey's Cross) would make a very useful addition to the RoW network. I have attached 2 Access, ROW, 2026 > 221205RLW1-ML73 > Historical DMMO Claim, NW Longridge Ave., Saltdean  
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plans showing the route (see below). The earlier T Cliffs auction map is considerably reduced in scale but the original clearly shows the track that was subsequently to become **Longridge Ave.** The land in question was requisitioned for the war effort by the E Sx War Agricultural Committee and subsequently compulsorily purchased by MAFF. I have found no evidence that any existing (of course then unrecorded RoWs) were stopped up.

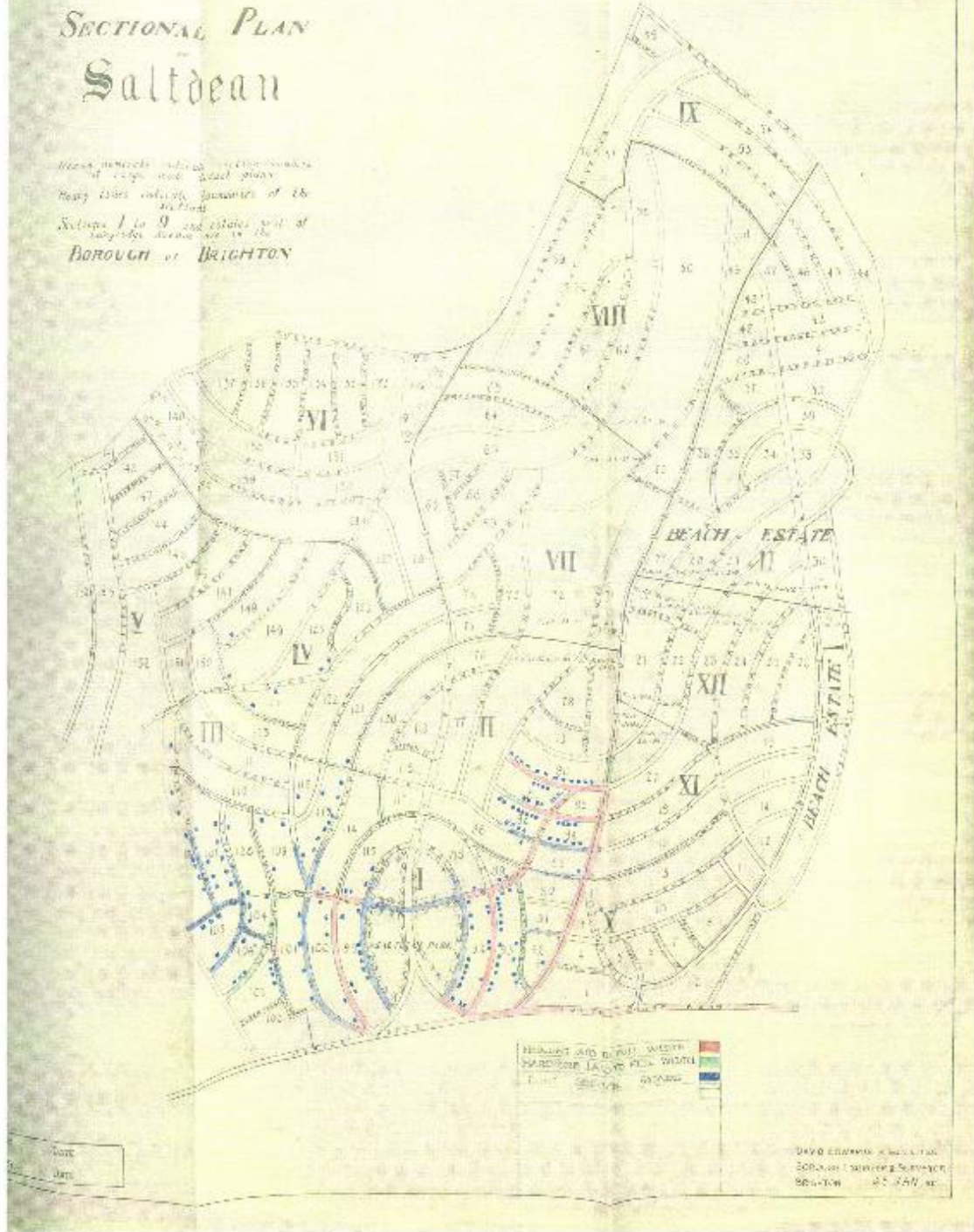
Do you have any evidence/thoughts on the matter?

Best wishes



# SECTIONAL PLAN Saltdean

These numbers indicate the boundaries  
of each road and each plot  
Heavy lines indicate boundaries of the  
Sections  
Sections 1 to 9 and estates west of  
Longridge Avenue are in the  
BOROUGH OF BRIGHTON

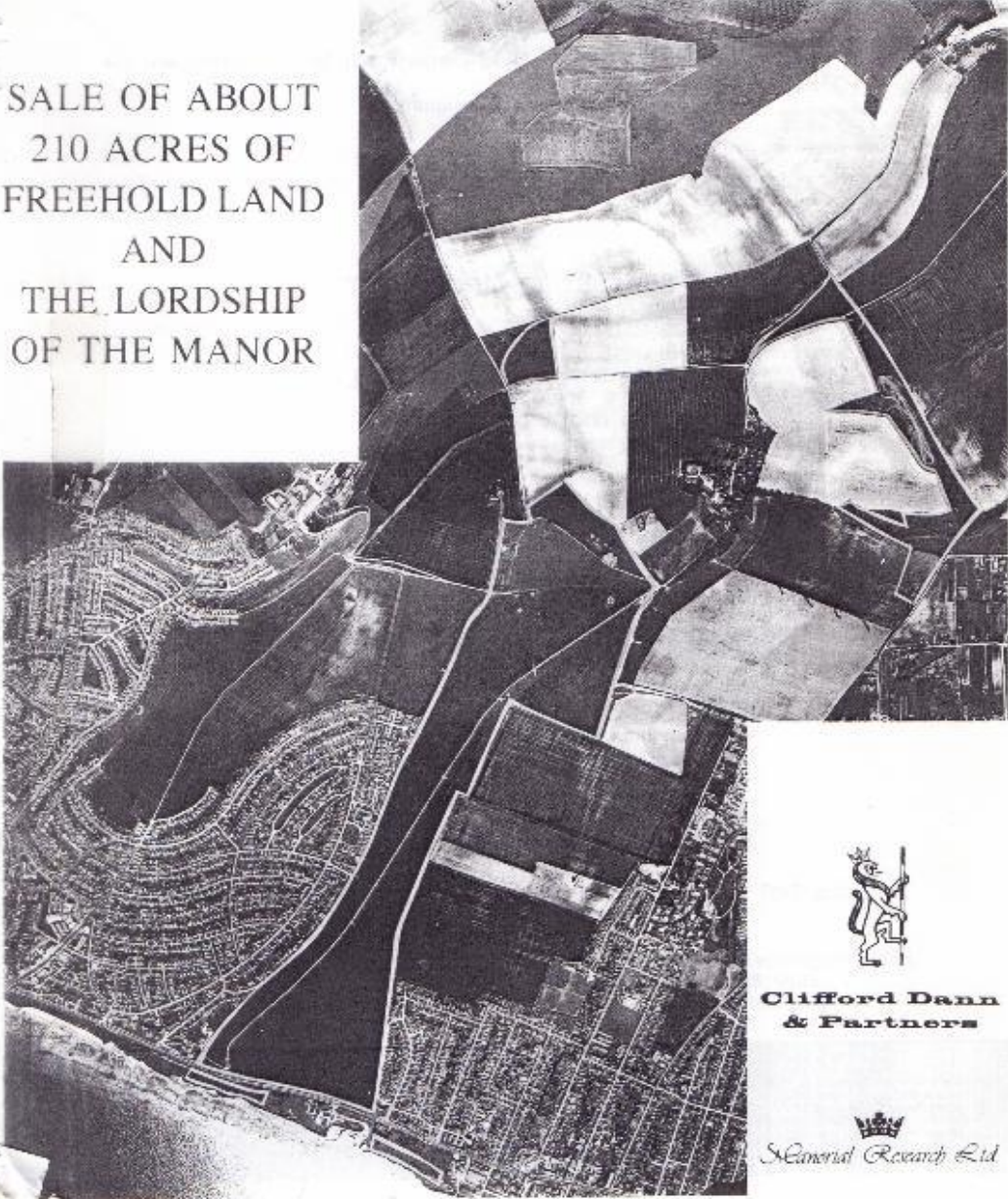



**3.3 Aerial Photo.** It has not been possible to determine exactly when the B.R. was ploughed out. The B.R. is no longer shown on OS maps 1:25000 Second Series from around 1965. However, the route can be seen on an ariel photo relating to an Auction on 25<sup>th</sup> October 1989. So, it may have been in existence some time up until then and perhaps beyond?


**TELSCOMBE TYE  
TELSCOMBE  
EAST SUSSEX**

**AUCTION 25th OCTOBER 1989**

SALE OF ABOUT  
210 ACRES OF  
FREEHOLD LAND  
AND  
THE LORDSHIP  
OF THE MANOR



  
**Clifford Dann  
& Partners**

  
*Stannard Research Ltd*

### 3.4 B&HLAF Missing Link 73

The B.R. has been added to the Brighton & Hove Local Access Forum Missing Links list to help improve 'Public Rights of Way' access.

