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We write to object to the application to divert the bridleway (RoW) at Mud Lane, Purton (PUR104). This bridleway has been existence for many years and it is only since the current landowner bought their property that this has become an issue for them. The landowner would have known, prior to the purchase of the property, that there was a Right of Way in existence adjacent to the house. Furthermore, the landowner has made very little effort to improve the boundary of their own property which would afford them more privacy. The landowner has already land grabbed by extending their own garden across the RoW and has illegally removed the original boundaries that were adjacent to it so it is now not clear to walkers where the exact RoW runs. Furthermore, the RoW does not pass in front of the windows as it passes to the right of the property.

We walk along Mud Lane fairly regularly, at different times, and have never witnessed any of the adverse situations to which the landowner refers. Moreover, there is no access to the driveway of the property so to suggest that people are picnicking in the property's garden is absurd. Finally, there is no record of any complaints that the landowner has made to the police about any of the incidents to which he refers which would suggest that they have been overstated for his sole benefit.

To our knowledge there have not been any reports to the police regarding any of the incidents mentioned by the landowner. It would suggest the landowner is potentially attempting to land grab by trying to take over a public piece of land for their sole benefit.

Yours faithfully

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