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Dear Sir,

Your letter of 20th December 1996, ref. 1876 IPR/SLH

After consultation with Selside residents I have been asked to reply to the above letter. We understand that Mrs Sergeant, as Clerk to Horton-in-Ribblesdale Parish Council, will be supplying you with the dates you require. However, residents in Selside would like to point out the following:

- The items referred to as Nissen huts were simply open-ended corrugated iron sheet covers (i.e. without any walls or doors at the end). There were not permanent structures and no planning permission was ever obtained for their erection. As they were never in the way for other users of the Village Green nobody objected to them being there in the beginning. In fact, some people like Mr Willcock of Northcote Farm, Selside, and members of the Lambert household remember using them as shelters if they were caught by rain when using the Village Green.
- There is still a small pile of railway sleepers outside the area claimed for registration which Mr Morphet refers to as "storage area". They have been used for a long time simply as climbing frame for local children and not for storing anything.

May we take this opportunity and remind those concerned with the registration of the Village Green that neither Mr or Mrs Morphet nor any other resident of Selside ever questioned the right of any local resident using the Village Green for anything - until Mr Morphet wanted to sell a house nearby and include the Village Green as part of this sale in 1994. It would be tragic if one person, who moved away from Selside seven years ago, should be allowed to sell the Village Green and thereby try and prevent the use of the Green by the local residents. He has no title deed to the land and clearly has not used it exclusively over the period in question.

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The period in question is the twenty years plus since the early 70s. Horton Parish Council wants to register the area concerned on the basis of **its use since then** and we hope that the Sub-Committee will support the application for the sake of present and future residents in Selside.

Yours sincerely  
(on behalf of Selside residents)



Colin Webster, Secretary