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Dear Dr Ferrer,

Ever since we met at Monica Heidemann's house for a Quaker meeting I have been trying to find a free Friday in order to take up your kind offer and visit you. I still hope to do so before long. In the meantime, however, I wonder if I may bring you up-to-date with developments regarding Selside Village Green.

By now you should have received from North Yorkshire Legal Services a copy of the full report concerning the application by Horton-in-Ribblesdale Parish Council for registration of Selside Green as village green. For ease of reference I enclose copies of three pages from the report.

In a letter of 10/1/97 (copy enclosed) we were informed that the County Council had agreed to "accede to the application". Since then Selside residents have been in touch with officers of the Highways Agency and the National Park in order to receive help and advice for improving the Village Green. I believe you know Robert Scrimgeour from the National Park who is our contact there for the purposes of the Village Green.

On the third page enclosed (page marked 166 at the bottom) it is pointed out under 3.4 that "The land is believed to be owned by ... Dr J A Garrer ..." which Legal Services in Northallerton confirm to be a typing error for your name.

Before Selside residents can go ahead to make plans (with the Park) for improving the Village Green we would need a letter from you stating that you as owner of Selside Village Green have, in principal, no objection to improvements to the Village Green. We could then proceed to draw up plans in close co-operation with the National Park. We would hope to call a meeting between Robert Scrimgeour and all interested residents of Selside so that it will be a real community effort. If you wanted to take part at any stage you would, of course, be most welcome. Once the plans are agreed they will be submitted to Horton P.C. (and to you, if you so wish). After that we hope to put them into action as soon as possible.

If you feel able to let us have such a letter it would be best to address it to Mr Colin Webster, Secretary, Selside Residents Association, The Old School House, Selside near Settle, North Yorkshire BD24 0HZ. Many thanks!

Later this year, perhaps in May or June, we hope to have a party to celebrate the registration of the Village Green on the Green itself. I am sure Selside residents would be only too happy if you and your wife could be there.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Wilf Fenten