

I, Matthew Fender of 56 Brynau Wood, Cimla, Neath SA11 3YQ do solemnly and sincerely declare as follows:

1. I am the son of Julie Ann Tranter. I lived at 6 Prettyman Drive with my mother and brother, Anthony Fender, from when she completed the freehold purchase of the property in August 1992. It was my permanent home up until two years ago, when in February 2022, I relocated to my current address.
2. As a child I recall my mother acquiring the area of land running off the western perimeter of our house, and my brother and I would spend time assisting our mother in caring for the land. We would assist her in mowing the grass, whilst we spent time playing as children on that area. Our family would enjoy picnics on the adjoining land, and often cook on a barbeque in this area.
3. I have noted that the tract of land is shown edged in red in the Ordnance Survey Map extract affixed to this Statement as "**Document A.**"
4. I have been presented with a copy of Google Earth's image dated 12th July 2013, which is reproduced as "**Document B.**" I have also noted that the "Street View" image from Google Earth dated May 2012, which is attached as "**Document C.**" To my recollections, I can categorically confirm that the area of land shown adjoining No. 6 is that area where my family have kept as an extended garden.
5. In April 2013, I recall that our family purchased an old red telephone box, and we placed in the extended garden area. I have been presented with photographs taken at the time by my brother Anthony Fender which are attached to this Statement as "**Document D.**" In those photographs, the grass is well mown, and a garden bench is present, which we used to sit out on to enjoy the area. My mother also placed a bird table in this area, which just added to the use of the land in the same manner as the original rear garden of the house.
6. I have visited my mother and brother on a regular weekly basis since I left the family home two years ago up to the present day. I can confirm that the land has remained in this domestic condition since these photographs were taken, only being as an extended domestic garden area for the enjoyment of my family at 6 Prettyman Drive, Llandarcy.

STATEMENT OF TRUTH

I believe that the facts stated in this Statement are true. I also understand that proceedings may be brought against anyone who makes, or causes to be made, a false statement in such a document verified by a statement of truth without an honest belief in its truth.

Signed:

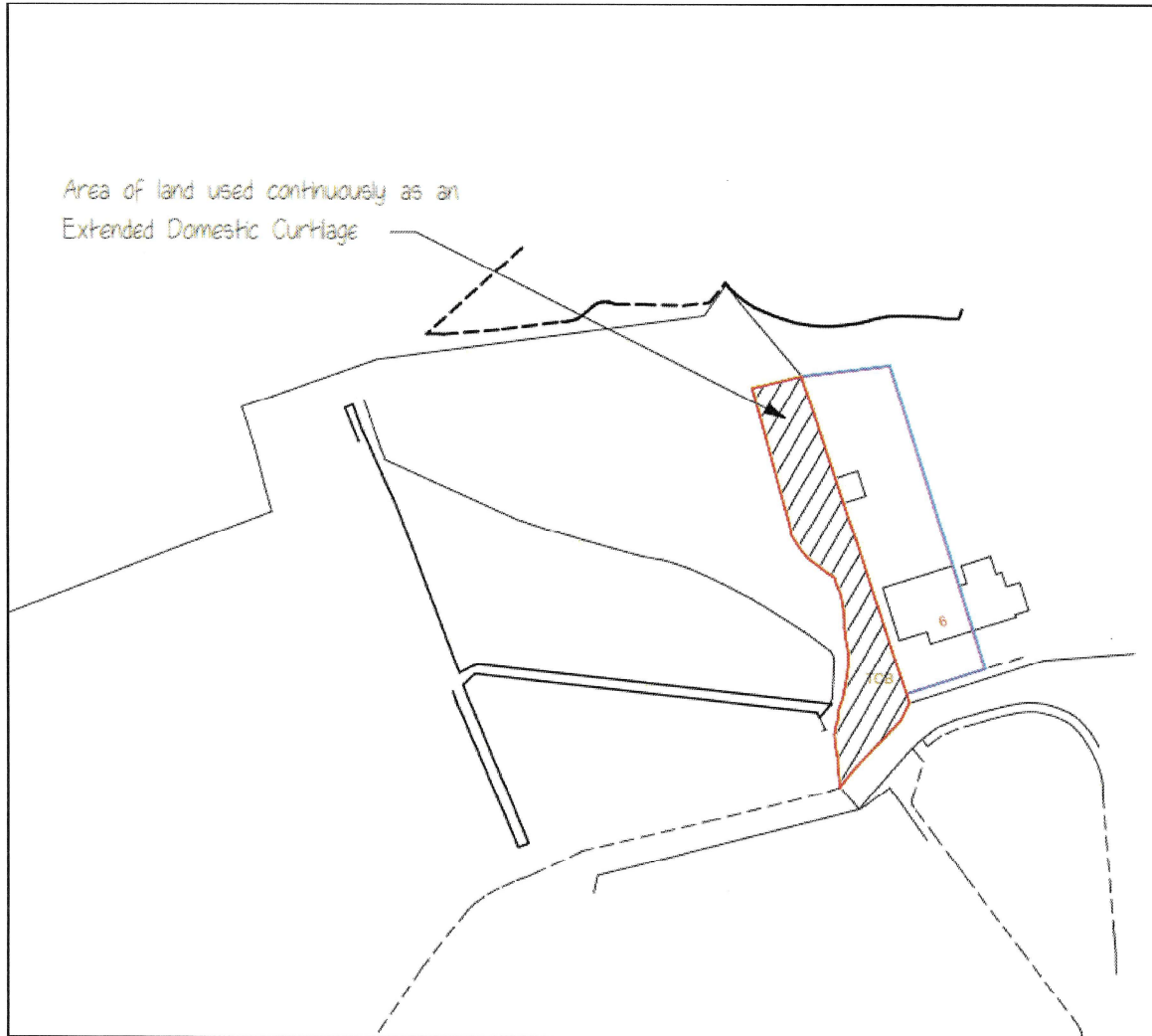


Matthew Fender

Date:

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**DOCUMENT A – Ordnance Survey Map Extract of Land adjoining
6 Prettyman Drive, Llandarcy**



DOCUMENT B – Google Earth Image 12th July 2013



DOCUMENT C – Google Earth Streetview Image – May 2012



DOCUMENT D – Family Photographs of Extended Garden from April 2013

