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Subject: The caravan dwelling at the Green House, Gravel Hill, Shirrel Heath SO32 2JQ

## Statement:

I Barry Nichol, a retired ships engineer, have known Graham and Heather for 15 years. We were neighbours in an apartment block situated at Rowner in the Gosport area. The apartment block was compulsory purchased by the local authority for future development and soon after demolished, which meant that Graham and Heather moved to their caravan at the Solent Breezes Caravan park near Warsash, Hants. We have remained friends all this time. The caravan was moved to the Gravel Hill site where it remains to this day. In the following years I was able to observe the vast amount of hard work put in by these two lovely people. I became as a friend involved with the on going work helping out where possible. Moving materials, modifications etc. In many occasions I stayed over at the property when Heather and Graham were absent for holidays and weekends etc. acting as security and the feeding and welfare of their pets.

Graham and Heather kindly let me use covered space in their large green house to pursue my hobby in the restoration and repair of small boats and watercraft of which there were many over the years starting in 2013.

I believe that Graham and Heather purchased the land including the paddock and turned the muddy eyesore into what it is today, a beautiful paradise home in keeping with close by properties and enhances the immediate area and attracts a large number of wild life and birds.

## To conclude:

The caravan is the original one brought up from the Warsash site all those years ago. The site garden and paddock area has now been transformed and changed beyond recognition and is now an amazing place instead of the eyesore it once was.

