

IN THE MATTER OF AN APPEAL PURSUANT TO SECTION 195 OF THE TOWN AND  
COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 CONCERNING:

The Firs Lodge, 289 – 291 Bath Road,

Hounslow TW3 3DB

STATUTORY DECLARATION OF

I, Mr. [REDACTED], of [REDACTED]  
currently retired, DO HEREBY SOLEMNLY AND SINCERELY DECLARE THAT:

1. I make this declaration in support of the appeal relating to the property known as The Firs Lodge, situated at 289–291 Bath Road, Hounslow, TW3 3DB, which is currently under consideration by the Planning Inspectorate in proceedings by way of inquiry.
2. I have lived and worked at my shop named [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] Hounslow for many years and have known The Firs Lodge for over two decades. My place of work is located on Bath Road, and I pass by the premises every day on my way to and from work.
3. Over the past 20 years, I have consistently observed The Firs Lodge being operated as a Bed and Breakfast (“B&B”). Both properties—287 and 291 Bath Road—have been used in conjunction for this purpose. The signage clearly marked the premises as “The Firs Lodge” and was prominently displayed on the main wall at the entrance for many years.
4. In addition to personal observations, I have seen numerous advertisements for the B&B in local newspapers, community magazines, and flyers delivered to businesses and residences in the area. It was also listed in the Local Informer and other local directories.

5. I have personally used the services of The Firs Lodge in the past for hosting friends and visiting relatives. The accommodation has always been professional, reliable, and of good standard. The property has consistently maintained a good reputation in the community.
6. I have regularly observed the property to be well-maintained and organised. It is clearly well staffed, and the staff are frequently seen attending to guest needs. The car park is often full, indicating a high occupancy rate. Guests can be seen arriving and departing at all hours of the day, a hall mark of a well-frequented hospitality business.
7. Based on over 20 years of first-hand observation and experience, I can confidently state that The Firs Lodge has been used without interruption as a Bed and Breakfast for at least the past two decades.

AND I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the Statutory Declarations Act 1835



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Signature of the Declarant

**Declared at:**



This .....<sup>17</sup> July 2025

Before me;

