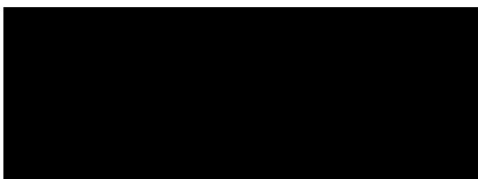


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Witness Statement Concerning the South Fairground Site, Vale of Health, Hampstead Heath

To whom it may concern,

I came to the Old Fairground site in August 2005. The late Charles Abbot allowed me to stay in one of the caravans [REDACTED] parked on the road between the North and South fairground site. I assumed at the time that the road belonged to the Abbots as they used it to park their vehicles. Next to my caravan was the South Fairground site and an opening in the fence. Robbie already lived in the garden behind the fence when I came. I met Mr. Frischman twice in the first two years of my stay. It was Robbie who told me this name and also that he was the owner. I also remember a conversation where the old man accepted Robbie as some sort of caretaker (we were inside the garden and they were talking about pest control or something similar). At the time I was working as a conservator employed by the Victoria and Albert Museum and studying at the Royal College of Art. As an art student I occasionally used the space in the garden to work on my paintings. I never thought that Robbie was trespassing or squatting as I knew that he did talk to the supposed owner and that they had some sort of verbal agreement. Late 2010 (it might have been also Spring 2011) I met a man, who introduced himself as the son of Mr. Frischman and I helped him to get through the fence to see Robbie. He was sort of friendly and told us that he would like us to leave the site (garden and the road). As a consequence of this meeting, I looked for a new place and moved to East Sussex in Spring 2011. Robbie told me later that this man never came back and never gave any proof that he really was the owner or the son of Mr Frischman. That's the reason why Robbie stayed on.

This is the true. I shall be glad to provide further information in case it should be required.

Yours Faithfully,

Timea Tallian

