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SWIMMING POOL FOR COMMERCIAL USE AT 18 PATRICIA CLOSE WEST END SOUTHAMPTON SO30 3FP

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1. I am Senga Lorraine White and I live with my family at a house known as 18 Patricia Close West End in the county of Hampshire SO30 3FP and I now make this Affidavit in connection with an application to Eastleigh Borough Council (the Local Planning Authority) for a Certificate of Lawfulness of Existing Use or Development in respect of the use of the swimming pool in my back garden for commercial use.

2. My husband and I moved into this house in 1996 with a swimming pool in the rear garden. In about 1998/1999 my husband substantially renovated the pool and I had my son in 2005. I am advised that the pool had deemed planning consent under the General Permitted Development Oder. The pool is heated by gas and is 6.8M by 3.8M and is between 4ft and 5ft deep. There are changing facilities and a place for parents to sit. There is a shower and toilet facilities for the use of customers.

3. In about April 2006 I began teaching my son and other children to swim. These lessons I charged for although I was at that time not a qualified swimming instructor. I then used a self-employed qualified instructor (Helen Jackson) and later another self-employed qualified swimming instructor (Sharon Mchale). I became a qualified STA (Swim Teacher Association) in 2008.

4. Since April 2006 I have been teaching young (pre-school age children) and slightly older (Infant and Junior school children) to swim in the pool. In about 2007 my husband covered in the pool and my commercial activities continued to grow to their present size during 2008/2009.

5. The pool is in use for teaching purposes from the beginning of April to the middle of October each year but not during the school holidays. No such use is made of it during the winter months. There is no use made of the pool on Monday mornings. Pre-school age children use the pool on Tuesdays between 9.30am and 10.30am.Tuesday lunchtime between 12.30pm and 1.30pm it is used for pre school children and it is used at the same times on Wednesdays Thursdays and Fridays. Older Children come after school for sessions between 4.00 pm and 6.00 pm five days per week. All sessions are ½ an hour and end at 6.30 pm. All sessions have not more than 3 children in them. Most lessons have siblings in them.

6. Charges are £10 per lesson for pre-school children. After-school lessons are £12 per child. When only one child is being taught the charge is £25 each. Generally no adults use the pool (except my husband and me for recreation purposes) although I have two adults who use the pool occasionally. One is a very overweight woman who would not wish to use public pools and the other is an Islamic woman who finds it impossible to swim where there are men.

7. My net earnings have never reached the minimum for taxation purposes. I was previously a tax officer in the Inland Revenue for in excess of 10 years.

8. Most children come to the pool on foot accompanied by their parents, although some come by car. All cars park in our driveway that will accommodate at least six cars. None ever park on the

roadway outside our house, which is somewhat congested. There have never been any parking problems in the 10 years that I have been operating.

9. I have raised £542 for the radio Wave 105 cash for kids' charity. I have taught probably 1,000 children to swim since starting to operate in April 2006. When the children have learnt to swim I give them a laminated certificate.

10. I am advised therefore that the pool has been used for what is a low-key activity commercial activity unlawfully for a period of at least 10 years as at the date of this Affidavit. In such circumstances I am advised that the Local Planning Authority must issue a Certificate of Lawfulness of Existing Use or Development making lawful the unlawful use of the property.

SWORN this 26 day of July 2016 [redacted]

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