

Delegated Decision

30 August 2024



Public Bridleway No. 10 and Public Footpath No. 8 Great Aycliffe, Proposed Diversion and Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order

Ordinary Decision No.

Report of Neighbourhoods and Climate Change

Paul Anderson, Strategic Highways Manager

Electoral division affected:

Aycliffe East

Purpose of the Report

- 1 To consider changes to the Public Rights of Way network.
- 2 Public Bridleway No. 10 and Public Footpath No. 8 Great Aycliffe, proposed Diversion and Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order.

Executive summary

- 3 To enable development in accordance with granted planning permission, it is necessary to divert part of Public Bridleway No. 10 and Public Footpath No. 8 Great Aycliffe Parish.
- 4 Consultations on the proposed diversion have been carried out and no objections have been received.

Recommendation

- 5 The proposal is in accordance with the Council's policy and the statutory framework on the diversion of public rights of way.
- 6 It is RECOMMENDED that a Diversion and Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order be made under the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 to divert Public Bridleway No. 10 and Public Footpath No. 8 Great Aycliffe Parish to enable development in accordance with granted planning permission, and the Order shall subsequently be either

confirmed or referred to the Secretary of State for determination, and that the Corporate Director of Resources be informed accordingly.

Background

- 7 An application has been received from Barberry to divert part of Public Bridleway No 10 and Public Footpath No. 8 Great Aycliffe to enable development of the Forrest Park Business Park south of Newton Aycliffe, as shown on the attached plan.
- 8 Outline planning permission was granted on 1 November 2019. An application to divert the bridleway under the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 was submitted in August 2022.
- 9 Part of Bridleway No. 10 runs in a generally south-easterly and southerly direction across the development site, whilst Footpath no. 8 runs in a generally westerly then south-westerly direction across the development site.
- 10 The proposal is to divert a section of Bridleway No. 29 onto a more easterly alignment around the edge of the development, with a westward extension to link to a new adopted highway, and to divert Footpath No.8 to a more easterly then southerly route though the site then along the edge if the development..
- 11 Consultations have been carried out with the Local Members, the Cabinet Portfolio Holder, Great Aycliffe Town Council, the Ramblers' Association, the British Horse Society and other user groups. No objections have been received.

Options

- 12 The proposal retains and protects public access at this location.

Conclusion

- 13 Agreed to the Diversion Order in accordance with the Recommendation.

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Appendix 1: Implications

Legal Implications

N/A

Finance

The applicant will cover the administrative and advertising costs for making the Order, and any necessary works to provide the new paths.

Consultation

Consultations have been carried out with the Local Members, the Cabinet Portfolio Holder, the Town Council, the Ramblers' Association, the British Horse Society and other user groups. No objections have been received. If the Order is made the initial consultations are followed up by a Statutory Consultation period.

Equality and Diversity / Public Sector Equality Duty

The new Public Bridleway and Public Footpath will be as accessible as possible for the location.

Climate Change

Maintains the integrity of the public rights of way network.

Human Rights

All those affected by this proposal will have the opportunity to submit objections and to present their case at a Public Inquiry.

Crime and Disorder

The proposed route minimises any risk of crime or disorder.

Staffing

N/A

Accommodation

N/A

Risk




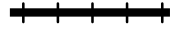
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Procurement

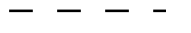
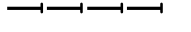

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**Draft Order Plan
Great Aycliffe
Public Footpath
No. 8 and No. 10**

- Footpath to be created 
- Footpath to be extinguished 
- Bridleway to be created 
- Bridleway to be extinguished 

Scale: 1:4,000

- Public Rights of Way /
Highways not affected by
the proposal
-  Footpath
 -  Bridleway
 -  Adopted
Highway

Drawn: 28 November 2022

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DL3 0XN, DL5 6JW

