

LEICESTERSHIRE LOCAL ACCESS FORUM – NOVEMBER 23rd 2010

**REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENT & TRANSPORT
ON PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY LEGAL ORDERS**

Purpose of Report

1. To update Forum members on the current position with regard to various Public Path and Modification Orders.

Public Footpath Orders which have been confirmed in the last three months

2. The following Public Path Orders have recently been confirmed:-

Order Number

- 2181 – Footpath D92 at Knossington – minor diversion near playing field
- 2157 – Footpaths D54 & D56 at Twyford and Thorpe – diversion to avoid farm buildings at Lowenva Lodge.
- 2204 – Footpath M27 at Staunton Harold – small diversion near entrance road to Estate.
- 2200 – Footpath Q44 at Swepstone – to avoid gardens of new housing development.
- 2145 - Footpath A31 at Lubenham – confirmed by an Inspector.

Public Path Order Applications

3. The following applications have recently been received:-

- 2242 – Footpath N108 at Swannington*
- 2241 – Footpath H57 at Hoby with Rotherby – diversion around Hall Farm
- 2240 – Footpath P39 at Ashby Woulds – Open Cast workings
- 2239 – Footpath G5 at Redmile – proposed diversion of a claimed but not yet recorded footpath (subject to a Modification Order) near St. Peter's Church.

*A new application has been received to divert Footpath N108 in the same manner as was unsuccessfully proposed for Footpath N28. (The County Council is still awaiting a decision with regard to the modified extinguishment of Footpath N28, though the Planning Inspectorate has indicated that it does not consider the outstanding objections to be valid.

Modification Orders (Evidential) confirmed in the last three months

4. There have been no Modification Orders confirmed recently.

New Applications for Modification Orders (Evidential)

5. There have been no applications for Modification Orders recently.

Recent Hearings and Inquiries

6. None

Recent Regulatory Board Decisions

7. At its meeting in October Regulatory Board agreed to the gating of the public footway (not a public right of way) between Crowern Drive and Kevern Close, Little Hill, Wigston. Board did not accept there was a need to Gate the footways at the other two sites under consideration.

Forthcoming Items for Regulatory Board

8. The proposed deletion of Footpath/Bridleway C66 and Addition of Restricted Byway, C105 at Skeffington, will be going before Regulatory Board in November. The evidence for this route would suggest that it carries vehicular rights but, as a consequence of the Natural Environment & Rural Communities Act 2006, the highest status the route may now be recorded as is Restricted Byway.

Forthcoming Hearings and Inquiries

9. A Public Inquiry will be held at Oadby in January into the proposed addition of a Footpath (X58) at Oadby Race Course.

Recommendation

10. The Forum is asked to note the contents of the report.

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