EEC/07/55/HQ Public Rights of Way Committee 6 March 2007

Definitive Map Review 2004-2007 Parish of Lewtrenchard

Report of the Director of Environment, Economy and Culture

Please note the following recommendation is subject to confirmation by the Committee before taking effect.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Committee note that there are no proposals for modifying the Definitive Map in the Parish of Lewtrenchard.

1. Summary

The report concerns the Definitive Map Review in the Parish of Lewtrenchard.

2. Background

The original survey, under s. 27 of the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act, 1949, revealed 9 footpaths and 1 bridleway, which were recorded on the Definitive Map and Statement for Lewtrenchard with a relevant date of 1 May 1958.

The reviews of the Definitive Map, under s. 33 of the 1949 Act, which commenced in the 1960s and 1970s but were never completed, produced no valid proposals for any addition, upgrading or deletion.

In 1970 part of Unclassified County Road 23 was stopped up with the reservation of footpath rights and bridleway rights along different sections, creating Footpath No. 13 and Bridleway No. 14.

In 1991 a Schedule 14 claim was received regarding a route known as the Church Path at Lewdown, with a Modification Order made in 1993 which was subsequently confirmed.

The Limited Special Review of Roads Used as Public Paths (RUPPs), carried out in the 1970s, did not affect this parish.

The following Order has been made:

The Devon County Council (Footpath No. 16, Lewtrenchard) Modification Order, 1993.

3. Review

The current review started in 2004 has consulted all statutory consultees. The only proposal for consultation for modification of the Definitive Map related to the upgrading Footpath No. 13 to a bridleway. The landowner has agreed to the proposal and the matter will be dealt with under delegated powers.

General consultations have been carried out since July 2006 with respect to these proposals and the responses have been:

County Councillor Mrs Marsh no comment West Devon Borough Council no comment Lewdown Grouped Parish Council no objection **British Horse Society** no comment Byways and Bridleways Trust no comment Country Landowners' Association no comment National Farmers' Union no comment Open Spaces Society no comment Ramblers' Association no comment Trail Riders' Fellowship no comment Cyclists Touring Club no comment

4. Conclusion

No recommendation is made for any modification to the existing network at this time. However, should any valid claim be made in the next six months it will be investigated and reported to Committee in a supplementary report.

5. Reason for Recommendation/Alternative Options Considered

To progress the parish by parish review of the Definitive Map in West Devon.

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List of Background Papers

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