Definitive Map Review Parish of Northam

Report of the Executive Director of Environment, Economy and Culture

Please note that the following recommendations are subject to consideration and determination by the Committee before taking effect.

Recommendation: It is recommended that:

- (a) a Modification Order be made to modify the Definitive Map and Statement in respect of the Schedule 14 Application to add a footpath between Heywood Road and Fox Hill, Northam shown running between points A – B – C on plan no. EEC/PROW/10/91;
- (b) a Modification Order be made to modify the Definitive Map and Statement in respect of the Schedule 14 Application to add a footpath running between Footpath No. 11 and Footpath 6a, Northam shown between points D E F on plan no. EEC/PROW/10/92.

1. Summary

The report examines two Schedule 14 Applications made in 2010 for separate footpaths in Northam in the District of Torridge. These applications were made by members of the public as a result of the two routes being brought into question.

2. Background

The general parish review was completed in Northam in 2002 and resulted in two Modification Orders for footpaths which were subsequently confirmed. The subsequent applications were brought forward because use of the routes has been challenged.

3. Informal Consultations

Public consultations were carried out for these claims and advertised in the parish on site and in the local paper. The results were:

County Councillor Andrew Eastman	-	has been actively involved with claims
Torridge District Council	-	no response
Northam Parish Council	-	supports the claims
British Horse Society	-	no response
Byways and Bridleways Trust	-	supports the claims
Country Land & Business Association	-	no response
Open Spaces Society	-	no response
Ramblers' Association	-	no response
Trail Riders' Fellowship	-	supports 2 nd claim
Devon Green Lanes Group	-	no response

4. Conclusion

It is recommended that modification orders be made in respect of both Schedule 14 Applications which are considered in detail in the appendices to this report.

5. Financial Considerations

There are no implications.

6. Sustainability Considerations

There are no implications.

7. Carbon Impact Considerations

There are no implications.

8. Equality Considerations

There are no implications (Access to bus transport for disabled users).

9. Legal Considerations

The implications/consequences of the recommendation have been taken into account in the preparing of the report.

10. Risk Management Considerations

There are no implications.

11. Reasons for Recommendation/Alternate Options Considered

To progress the parish by parish review of the Definitive Map in the Torridge area.

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Local Government Act 1972: List of Background Papers

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Background Paper	Date	File Ref.
Correspondence files: Northam House Gates and Northan/Durrent Lane to Lower Cleave	2009 - 2010	AS/DMR

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