



Devon Countryside Access Forum
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Sixty-Eighth meeting **Devon Countryside Access Forum**

Great Moor House, Bittern Road, Sowton, Exeter EX2 7NL

Monday, 23 September 2024 at 10.00 am

The meeting will be open to the public in accordance with provisions of reg.7 of The Local Access Forums (England) Regulations 2007 (under s 94 and 95 of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000).

A G E N D A

1. Apologies
2. Declarations of interest
3. To approve minutes of the meeting held on 22 April 2024 (Pages 1 - 10)
4. Matters arising
 - 4.1 Network Rail
 - 4.2 A379 Bridge
 - 4.3 Woodbury Common. Deregistration and exchange of common land. Decision notice. (Pages 11 - 24)
5. Meetings and events attended by members
 - 5.1 Ridgetop Country Park
 - 5.2 Haldon Forest horse riding meeting

The Devon Countryside Access Forum is a local access forum. It is required, in accordance with Sections 94 and 95 of the Countryside and Rights of Way (CRoW) Act 2000, to provide advice as to the improvement of public access to land for the purposes of open-air recreation and enjoyment

- 5.3 Training Day, North Devon
- 5.4 National Trust Killerton Landscape Recovery Project workshop
- 6. Correspondence log (Pages 25 - 28)
- 7. Public questions
- 8. Green Space Position Statement (Pages 29 - 32)

To approve revised Green Space position statement.
- 9. National Landscapes Position Statement (Pages 33 - 36)

To review and amend, as appropriate, the position statement on National Landscapes (formerly Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty). The five National Landscapes in Devon have started to review their five-year management plans.
- 10. Minutes of the Public Rights of Way Committee held on 11 July 2024 (Pages 37 - 42)
- 11. King Charles III England Coast Path - commencement of new access rights and directions to restrict access (Pages 43 - 50)
- 12. Public rights of way update
- 13. Annual Report 2023-2024

To note and approve Annual Report.
- 14. To note and approve responses to consultations and submissions. To note any feedback.
 - 14.1 Smarter regulation: proposed changes to legislation for electrically assisted pedal cycles. Department for Transport. (Pages 51 - 54)
 - 14.2 East Devon Local Plan (Pages 55 - 56)
 - 14.3 DCAF response - Lower Brenton Farm DCC 43372023 (Pages 57 - 58)
 - 14.4 Forestry England. New woodland at Quoditch. (Pages 59 - 76)

To note the consultation report from Forestry England following submission of the Devon Countryside Access Forum response.

- 14.5 Creation of a new cycle and pedestrian multi-use path between Sidford and Sidbury. DCC/4404/2024 (Pages 77 - 78)
 - 14.6 Soil Association. Stakeholder Consultation - Forest Management carried out by Forestry England (Pages 79 - 82)
 - 14.7 Tamar Valley National Landscape Management Plan review survey (Pages 83 - 88)
15. Dates of meetings 2025-2026
- Next meeting: Monday, 20 January 2025
- Proposed dates:
Monday, 28 April 2025
Week commencing 23 June 2025 – Training Day
Monday, 22 September 2025
Monday, 19 January 2026
16. Any other business

Notice of questions from the public should be submitted in writing four working days before the Forum meeting. At the discretion of the Chair members of the public may be invited to ask a question or make a statement.