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Public Right of Way Committee 12 November 2019

Definitive Map Review 2017-19 Parish of Pyworthy

Please note that the following recommendation is subject to consideration and determination by the committee before taking effect.

Report of the Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste

Recommendation: It is recommended that it be noted that the Definitive Map Review has been completed in the parish of Pyworthy and no modifications are required.

1. Summary

The report examines the Definitive Map Review in the parish of Pyworthy.

2. Background

The original survey, under s. 27 of the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act, 1949, revealed no public rights of way were recorded on the Definitive Map and Statement for Bideford Rural District with the relevant date of 1 July 1958.

The reviews of the Definitive Map, under s. 33 of the 1949 Act, which commenced in the 1970s but were never completed, produced no proposals for change to the map in the parish of Pyworthy at that time.

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

The following order has been made and confirmed:

Pyworthy Footpath No. 7 Stopping Up of Highways 1960

A Legal Event Modification Order will be made for this change under delegated powers in due course.

The current Review began in September 2017 with a public meeting held in the Village Hall in Pyworthy.

3. Proposals

No valid proposals arising out of this or previous reviews.

4. Consultations

A full public consultation was carried out in 2019 and the Review was advertised in the parish and in the North Devon Journal.

The responses were:

County Councillor Parsons	 no comment
Torridge Devon District Council	 no proposals
Pyworthy Parish Council	 no comment
British Horse Society	 no comment
Byways and Bridleways Trust	 no comment
Country Landowners' Association	 no comment
Devon Green Lanes Group	 no comment
National Farmers' Union	 no comment
Open Spaces Society	 no comment
Ramblers' Association	 no comment
Trail Riders' Fellowship	 no comment
Cycling UK	 no comment

5. Financial Considerations

Financial implications are not a relevant consideration to be taken into account under the provision of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. The Authority's costs associated with Modification Orders, including Schedule 14 appeals, the making of Orders and subsequent determinations, are met from the general public rights of way budget in fulfilling our statutory duties.

6. Legal Considerations

The implications/consequences of the recommendation(s) have been taken into account in the preparation of the report.

7. Risk Management Considerations

No risks have been identified.

8. Equality, Environmental Impact (including Climate Change) and Public Health Considerations

Equality, environmental impact (including climate change) and public health implications have, where appropriate under the provisions of the relevant legislation have been taken into account.

9. Conclusion

It is recommended that Members note that there are no proposals for modifying the Definitive Map in the parish of Pyworthy. Should any valid claim with sufficient evidence be made in the next six months, it would seem reasonable for it to be determined promptly rather than be deferred.

10. Reasons for Recommendations

To undertake the County Council's statutory duty under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 to keep the Definitive Map and Statement under continuous review and to progress the parish by parish review in the Torridge district area.

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