

**Definitive Map Review 2016-17  
Parish of Bridgerule**

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

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

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

**1. Summary**

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

**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 Bridgerule Parish Council with the relevant date of 1 July 1958.

No Legal Event Modification Orders have been made for the parish.

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 Bridgerule 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.

**3. Proposals**

There are no proposals.

**4. Consultations**

The current Review began in October 2016 with a public meeting held in the Village Hall in Bridgerule. A full public consultation was carried out in February and April 2017 and the review was advertised in the parish and in the North Devon Journal.

The responses were:

County Councillor B Parsons	-	no comment
Torridge Devon District Council	-	no proposals
Bridgerule Parish Council	-	no comment
British Horse Society	-	no comment
Byways and Bridleways Trust	-	no comment
Country Land & Business Association	-	no comment
Open Spaces Society	-	no comment

Ramblers' Association - no comment  
Trail Riders' Fellowship - 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 and Public Health Considerations

Equality, environmental impact or public health implications have, where appropriate under the provisions of the relevant legislation have been taken into account.

## 9. Conclusion

It is recommended that the Review be noted for Bridgerule parish.

Should any valid claim be made in the next six months it would seem sensible 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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## Electoral Division: Holsworthy Rural

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List of Background Papers

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Background Paper	Date	File Ref.
Correspondence file: Bridgerule	2016-17	CG/DMR/BRIDG

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