

PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE

3 November 2022

Present:-

Councillors L Hellyer (Chair), D Barnes, J Bradford, P Henderson and D Sellis

Apologies:-

Councillors R Chesterton, J Brook, I Chubb and D Thomas

Member attending in accordance with Standing Order 25

Councillor J Bailey

* **38** **Minutes**

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 30 June 2022 be signed as a correct record.

* **39** **Standards Committee**

The Chair welcomed Mr R Hodgins who was attending (remotely) in his capacity as a Co-opted Member of the Council's Standards Committee to observe and monitor compliance with the Council's ethical governance framework.

* **40** **Items Requiring Urgent Attention**

There was no item raised as a matter of urgency.

* **41** **Devon Countryside Access Forum**

The Public Rights of Way and Country Parks Manager reported on the meeting held on 20 October 2022. The meeting had covered ongoing consultations and updates including proposals for the Drake's Trail extension, Natural England proposals on access land restrictions at Dittisham Hill, Network Rail pedestrian access restrictions, group and the Rights of Way Improvement Plan. The draft minutes would be circulated when available.

* **42** **Parish Review: Definitive Map Review - Parish of Ottery St Mary - Part 1**

(Councillor J Bailey attended in accordance with Standing Order 25 and spoke in support of the officer recommendations).

The Committee considered the Report of the Director of Climate Change, Environment and Transport (CET/22/63) on five proposals arising from the Definitive Map Review in the parish of Ottery St Mary. Six proposals arose from the consultation, but one required additional research/consultation and would be presented at a future meeting.

It was **MOVED** by Councillor L Hellyer, **SECONDED** by Councillors J Bradford (for recommendations 1, 2, 3 and 5) and D Sellis (for recommendation 4), and

RESOLVED

(a) that a Modification Order be made to record a Footpath in respect of Proposal 3; and

(b) that no Modification Order be made in respect of Proposals 1, 2, 4 and 5 detailed in the Report.

* **43** **Public Path Orders**

The Committee noted the Report of the Director of Climate Change, Environment and Transport (CET/22/64) on the Public Path Orders made and confirmed under delegated powers.

* **44** **Rights of Way Improvement Plan and Highway Infrastructure Asset Management Plan**

The Committee noted the Report of the Director of Climate Change, Environment and Transport (CET/22/65) on arrangements to review and update two key plans that set out priorities and actions pertinent to management, maintenance, and development of the public rights of way network.

Members' discussion points with the Officers included the role of Members in promoting liaison between Local Planning Authorities, Parish and Town Councils (and other statutory consultees) in relation to public rights of ways in order to help safeguard the network and the value of regular training and updates for Members.

* **45** **Dates of Future Meetings**

9 March, 13 July and 23 November and 7 March 2024

Details available here: [Browse meetings - Public Rights of Way Committee - Democracy in Devon](#)

NOTES:

1. *Minutes should always be read in association with any Reports for a complete record.*

2. *If the meeting has been webcast, it will be available to view on the [webcasting site](#) for up to 12 months from the date of the meeting*

* **DENOTES DELEGATED MATTER WITH POWER TO ACT**

The Meeting started at 2.15 pm and finished at 2.55 pm