

## **Public Rights of Way and Access Forum**

**Tuesday, 4th February, 2020 at 10.00 am in Committee Room 'B' - The Diamond Jubilee Room, County Hall, Preston**

### **Agenda**

#### **No. Item**

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Minutes of the Last Meeting held on the 16 July 2019** (Pages 1 - 4)  
(The minutes of the above meeting are attached)
- 3. Matters Arising**
- 4. Highways Act Orders and Town and Country Planning Act Orders** (Pages 5 - 6)  
(Attached)
- 5. Definitive Map Modification Orders** (Pages 7 - 8)  
(Attached)
- 6. Any Other Business**
- 7. Date of Next Meeting**  
The date of the next meeting is Tuesday 7 July at 10:00am, venue to be confirmed.

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## **Public Rights of Way and Access Forum**

**Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 16th July, 2019 at 10.00 am in Committee Room 'C' - The Duke of Lancaster Room, County Hall, Preston**

### **Present:**

#### **Chair**

County Councillor Cosima Towneley

#### **Committee Members**

County Councillor Jimmy Eaton BEM  
County Councillor Ian Brown  
Mrs Judith Burton  
Mr P Davies  
Mrs Rosemary Hogarth  
David Kelly  
Mrs Shirley Northcott  
Ms Chris Peat  
Mike Prescott  
Roger Wright  
Neil Herbert

#### **Officers**

David Goode, Lancashire County Council

County Councillor Cosima Towneley chaired the meeting in place of County Councillor Jimmy Eaton.

### **1. Apologies**

Apologies were received from County Councillor Stephen Clarke, Jenny Allen, Alison Boden and Adam Briggs.

### **2. Minutes of the Last Meeting held on the 9 April 2019**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 9 April 2019 were agreed as a correct record.

### **3. Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising.

#### **4. Highways Act Orders and Town and Country Planning Act Orders**

Regarding Highways Act Orders, the forum was informed that Legal Services had 65 live files. Since the last forum in April 2019, they had received 3 new applications and no matter had been closed.

18 applications had not yet been to committee. 10 applications were awaiting Order making. 3 Orders were in the objection period and 2 Orders were awaiting confirmation authorisation.

5 Orders needed to be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate as they had received objections. 2 Orders were awaiting confirmation as they required groundworks to be undertaken before they were confirmed and 25 Orders had been confirmed but were awaiting to be certified fit for use.

In terms of Town and Country Planning Act Orders, Legal services had 3 live files. 2 matters were awaiting to be confirmed following further advice from the Rights of Way Team. 1 matter was waiting for instructions on how to proceed.

#### **5. Definitive Map Modification Orders**

Legal services had 95 live files and since the last forum they had received 3 new applications and 3 matters had been closed.

32 matters were either in the consultation period or were being investigated before going to committee. 7 matters were awaiting Order making. 1 Order had been made and was in its objection period. 46 matters had received objections and would need referral to the Planning Inspectorate. 1 matter was still in negotiation.

6 matters had been submitted to the Planning Inspectorate for determination, 3 of which would be heard at a public inquiry in September 2019, November and January. 2 would be heard at a public inquiry with dates yet to be confirmed and 1 was being dealt by way of written representations. 2 Orders were awaiting confirmation authorisation.

Forum members pointed out that there were a lot of matters outstanding and were informed it would take years to clear them. The biggest cause of delay was a lack of resources.

#### **6. Any Other Business**

The forum was informed that Dinkley Footbridge, damaged by Storm Desmond, was now reopened. Dinkley footbridge had been constructed by Lancashire County Council using funds received from the Department of Transport.

**7. Date of Next Meeting**

To be confirmed.

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## **HIGHWAYS ACT ORDERS – Forum 17<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

- Legal services have **68** live files. Since the last forum we have received **3** new applications and **0** matter has been closed.
- **22** applications have not yet been to Committee
- **8** applications are awaiting Order making
- **3** Orders are in the objection period
- **2** Order is awaiting confirmation authorisation
- **5** Orders need to be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate as they have received objections
- **2** Orders are awaiting confirmation as they require groundworks to be undertaken before they are confirmed
- **26** Orders have been confirmed but are awaiting to be certified fit for use

## **TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT ORDERS**

- Legal Services have **3** live files.
- **2** matters are waiting to be confirmed following further advice from the Rights of Way Team
- **1** matter is waiting for instructions on how to proceed





**INFORMATION TO FORUM FROM LEGAL SERVICES**

**17<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

**DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION ORDERS**

- Legal Services have **93** live files.
- Since the last Forum we have received **5** new applications and **7** matters have been closed.
- **36** matters are either in the consultation period or are being investigated before going to Committee.
- **3** matters are awaiting Order making
- **0** Order has been made and is in its objection period.
- **47** matters have received objections and will need referral to the Planning Inspectorate.
- **1** Matter is still in negotiation.
- **4** matters have been submitted to the Planning Inspectorate for determination. (**1** of which is awaiting an outcome, **1** is waiting for confirmation to be advertised, **1** is going to Public Inquiry in March, and **1** is being dealt by way of written representations and is awaiting an outcome).
- **3** matters are awaiting confirmation

