

Congleton Town Council

Historic market town
Chief Officer: David McGifford



27th October 2016

Dear Councillor

Planning Committee Meeting – Thursday 3th November 2016

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Planning Committee to be held in the Town Hall, High Street, Congleton, on **Thursday 3th November 2016** commencing at **7 p.m.**

The Public and Press are welcome to attend the meeting. There may be confidential items towards the end of the meeting which the law requires the Council to make a resolution to exclude the public and press.

Yours sincerely

Linda Minshull

Civic Administration Officer

<u>AGENDA</u>

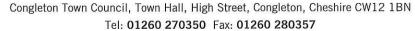
Apologies for absence

(Members are reminded of the necessity to give apologies in advance of the meeting and to give reasons for absence)

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

To confirm the minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 13th October 2016 (copy enclosed).





3. <u>Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest</u>

Members are requested to declare both "non pecuniary" and "pecuniary" interests as early in the meeting as they become aware of it.

4. Outstanding Actions

None

5. Planning Applications

To make observations as may be necessary on planning applications submitted to Cheshire East Borough Council.

- NOTE i) List for week received 14th and 21st October 2016 (copy enclosed).
 - ii) Lists for subsequent weeks will be circulated when received.

6. Planning Appeals

To note or comment as appropriate on planning appeals lodged with Cheshire East Borough Council.

7. Upgrading of Public Footpath

To consider correspondence from Cheshire East Council dated 10th October in respect of upgrading Public Footpaths Numbers 71 and 11 (information enclosed).

To: All Members of the Council Press 3, Burgesses 5.

CONGLETON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 13th OCTOBER 2016

<u>Please note</u> These are draft minutes and will not be ratified until the next meeting of the Planning Committee

PRESENT

Councillor L D Barker (Chairman)

G R Edwards
G P Hayes
Mrs A M Martin
Mrs A E Morrison
Mrs J D Parry
Mrs E Wardlaw

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were submitted from Councillors Mrs S Akers Smith, Mrs D Allen, Mrs A L Armitt, J. G. Baggott, P. Bates, R. Boston, C. Booth, P. Broom, D. T. Brown, Mrs S. A. Holland and G. S. Williams

2. MINUTES

PLN/11/1617 RESOLVED: There were amendments to the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 22nd September 2016. The amended minutes against applications 16/3840C and 16/3906C were approved and would be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members were reminded to declare both "non pecuniary" and "pecuniary" interests as early in the meeting as they become known.

Councillors Hayes and Wardlaw declared a "non pecuniary" interest due to their membership of Cheshire East Council.

4. **OUTSTANDING ITEMS**

There were none.

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

PLN/12/1617 RESOLVED: That the following comments be made to Cheshire East Borough Council:

Week ended 23rd September 2016

16/4571C	Loachbrook Farm, Sandbach Road, Congleton	NO OBJECTION
16/4578C	The Old Vicarage, 6 Brook Street, Congleton	NO OBJECTION
Councillor Hay	yes declared a "non pecuniary" interest in application	16/4578C
16/4583C	2 Rood Hill, Congleton, CW12 1LG	NO OBJECTION
16/4622C	7 Newcastle Road, Congleton, CW12 4HN	NO OBJECTION
16/4637C	41 Astbury Lane Ends, Congleton, CW12 3AY	NO OBJECTION

Week ended 30th September 2016

16/4558C	Land Off Macclesfield Road, Congleton	NO OBJECTION
16/4636C	Land adj to Unit 1 Hopkins Close, Congleton	REFUSE for the
following re	Pasons —	

- Highways and safety issues for example there have been previous problems with HGV access to the area and damage to vehicles
- Traffic generation
- Vehicular access
- Adequacy of parking
- Overdevelopment of the area

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	ayes, Martin, Parry and Wardlaw declared a "non pe	cuniary" interest in
application 16		
16/4703C	Rear of 50 Boundary Lane, Congleton, CW12 3JA	REFER to Cheshire
East Officer	to enforce green belt regulations	
16/4740C	45 Herbert Street, Congleton, CW12 1RE	NO OBJECTION
16/4742D	Tall Ash Farm Triangle, 112 Buxton Road, Conglet	on NO OBJECTION
16/4749C	Land Off Spring Street, Congleton	NO OBJECTION
	anning Officers checking vehicle access, that the	
-	appropriate landscaping is provided	g and carriers partially
16/4752C	77 Manchester Road, Congleton, CW12 2HT	NO OBJECTION
16/4757C	Proposed Congleton Link Road, Congleton	NO OBJECTION
	yes declared a "non pecuniary" interest in application	
16/4670T	148 Canal Road, Congleton, CW12 3AT	NO OBJECTION
10/40/01	146 Carial Road, Congleton, GVV 12 3A1	
40/4700T	OO Dealed and Organization OVAMO ODD	Subject to usual conditions
16/4709T	92 Park Lane, Congleton, CW12 3DD	NO OBJECTION
		Subject to usual conditions
16/4763T	12 Randles View, Congleton, CW12 3JN	NO OBJECTION
		Subject to usual conditions
Councillor Ha	yes declared a "non pecuniary" interest in application	n 16/4763T
16/4562D	Land Off Brook Street, Congleton	NO OBJECTION
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Week ended	7 th October 2016	
16/4227C	74 Chestnut Drive Congleton CW12 ALIB	NO OBJECTION

16/4227C	74 Chestnut Drive, Congleton, CW12 4UB	NO OBJECTION
16/4789C	11 Bridge Street, Congleton, CW12 1AY	NO OBJECTION
16/4790C	11 Bridge Street, Congleton, CW12 1AY	NO OBJECTION
16/4791C	11 Bridge Street, Congleton, CW12 1AY	NO OBJECTION
16/4807C	1 Campbell Close, Congleton, CW12 2BQ	NO OBJECTION
16/4816C	Former Garages, Mill Green, Congleton	NO OBJECTION
16/4833C	Peel Croft, Newcastle Road, Astbury, CW12 4HS	NO OBJECTION
16/4036C	Dane Mill, Broadhurst Lane, Congleton, CW12 1LA	NO OBJECTION
16/4858C	Land Off Goldfinch Close, Congleton	NO OBJECTION

6. PLANNING APPEALS

None to report.

L. D. Barker - Chairman

Planning Applications Registered Weekly List W/e 14.10.2016

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	App No	Registration Date	Ward
Delegated Agenda	16/4931T	10 October 2016	Congleton East
Applicant	David Cockerill		
Agent			
Location	5, OAKMONT CLOSE, CONGLETON, CW12 3GU		
Proposal	2 large trees in corner of garden are leaning and am concerned there is a potential		
	health and safety risk. I would like to reduce the height by about a third and thin them		
	out. The trees are located in the rear corner of the garden along the rear boundar		
Comments Deadline	02 November 2016	3	

Planning Applications Registered Weekly List w/e 21/10/2016

South Area

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	App No	Registration Date	Ward	
Delegated Agenda	16/5014C	14 October 2016	Congleton East	
Applicant	Mr Ben Higginso	Mr Ben Higginson		
Agent	Mr Robert Berry	Mr Robert Berry		
Location	29, ST PETERS	29, ST PETERS ROAD, CONGLETON, CW12 3RE		
Proposal	Proposed two sto	Proposed two storey rear extension and two storey side extension.		
Comments Deadline	16 November 20	16		

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	App No	Registration Date	Ward
	16/5102C	19 October 2016	Congleton West (2011)
Applicant	Nicola Shaw		
Agent	ROBERT BERRY		
Location	54 , Astbury Street, Congleton, CW12 4EQ		
Proposal	Proposed 2 storey side extension and single storey rear extension		
Comments Deadline	17 November 20	16	

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	App No	Registration Date	Ward	
Delegated Agenda	16/5125C	20 October 2016	Congleton West (2011)	
Applicant	Mr Chris Goodwi	Mr Chris Goodwin		
Agent	Igloo Architecture			
Location	1, STOPSLEY C	1, STOPSLEY CLOSE, CONGLETON, CW12 4PB		
Proposal	Two story side ex	Two story side extension to existing semi detached dwelling house		
Comments Deadline	11 November 20	11 November 2016		

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	App No	Registration Date	Ward
Delegated Agenda	16/4968T	19 October 2016	Congleton West (2011)
Applicant	MORRIS HOMES NORTH LTD		
Agent			
Location	Land Off Brook Street Phase 2, BROOK STREET, CONGLETON		
Proposal	Crown reduction on numerous trees over hanging new development on Phase 2		
Comments Deadline			



Mr McGifford Congleton Town Council Town Hall High Street Congleton CW12 1BN

Public Rights of Way Team 2nd Floor Old Building Municipal Buildings Crewe CW1 2BJ

Phone: 01270 686029 jennifer.tench@cheshireeast.gov.uk

DATE: 10th October 2016 OUR REF: PROW/JLT/CO/8/36

YOUR REF:

Please Contact: Jennifer Tench

Dear Mr D McGifford

Wildlife And Countryside Act 1981

The Cheshire East Borough Council Definitive Map and Statement (Upgrading of Public Footpaths Nos. 71 and 11 (part) to Bridleways, Parish of Congleton) **Modification Order 2016**

Please find enclosed a copy of the above made Order, the Order Notice and Explanatory Statement.

Please note that the deadline for objection is 24th November 2016, as detailed in the Notice.

The Notice will be advertised in the Congleton Chronicle on 13th October 2016.

Yours sincerely

Jennifer Tench

Definitive Map Officer

Tel: 01270 686158

WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981

DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT FOR THE BOROUGH OF CHESHIRE EAST

The Cheshire East Borough Council Definitive Map and Statement (Upgrading of Public Footpaths Nos. 71 and 11 (part) to Bridleways, Parish of Congleton) Modification Order 2016

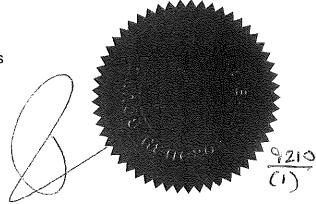
This Order is made by the Cheshire East Council under Section 53 (2) (b) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 ("the Act") because it appears to that authority that the Definitive Map and Statement for the Borough of Cheshire East require modification in consequence of the occurrence of an event specified in:

Section 53 (3) (c) (ii), namely, that a highway shown in the map and statement as a highway of a particular description ought to be there shown as a highway of a different description.

The Authority has consulted with every local authority whose area includes the land to which the Order relates. The Cheshire East Council hereby Orders that:

- 1. For the purposes of this Order the relevant date is the 8th September 2016.
- The Definitive Map and Statement for the Borough of Cheshire East shall be modified as described in Parts I and II of the Schedule hereto and shown on the map attached to this Order.
- 3. The Order shall take effect on the date it is confirmed and may be cited as "The Cheshire East Borough Council Definitive Map and Statement (Upgrading of Public Footpaths Nos. 71 and 11 (part) to Bridleways, Parish of Congleton) Modification Order 2016".

THE COMMON SEAL OF CHESHIRE EAST BOROUGH COUNCIL was affixed this 8th of September 2016 In the presence of:



Authorised Signatory

SCHEDULE

PARTI

MODIFICATION OF THE DEFINITIVE MAP

Description of footpaths to be upgraded

Public Footpath No.71, Parish of Congleton

Commencing at its junction with Bridleway no.12, Congleton at the south end of Astbury Street (road no.UY622) at OS grid reference SJ 8519 6271 (point A on Plan No. WCA/011A) and running in a generally south south westerly direction for approximately 222 metres to O.S. grid reference SJ 8508 6252 (Point B on Plan No. WCA/011A) then continuing in a generally westerly direction for approximately 25 metres to O.S. grid reference SJ 8506 6252 (Point E on Plan No. WCA/011A) then running in a generally southerly direction for approximately 205 metres to O.S. grid reference SJ 8511 6233 (Point D on Plan No. WCA/011A) where it joins Waggs Road (road no.UY1059).

The width of the bridleway varies between 1.5 metres and 3.8 metres.

A total distance of approximately 452 metres.

Public Footpath No.11 (part), Parish of Congleton

Commencing at its junction with Banky Fields (road no. UY630) at OS grid reference SJ 8518 6250 (point C on Plan No. WCA/011A) and running in a generally westerly direction for approximately 100 metres to O.S. grid reference SJ 8508 6252 (Point B on Plan No. WCA/011A) where it joins public bridleway no.84, Congleton.

The width of the bridleway varies between 2.7 metres and 3 metres

A total distance of approximately 100 metres.

SCHEDULE

PART II

MODIFICATION OF DEFINITIVE STATEMENT Variation of particulars of path or way

O.S. SHEET NO: SJ 86SE

RELEVANT DATE: 8th September 2016

PARISH: Congleton

PATH NUMBER: Public Bridleway No. 84

GRID REFERENCE:

From: SJ 8519 6271

To: SJ 8511 6233

DESCRIPTION:

Public Bridleway No.84, in the Parish of Congleton, commencing at its junction with Bridleway no.12, Congleton at the south end of Astbury Street (road no.UY622) at OS grid reference SJ 8519 6271 and running in a generally south south westerly direction for approximately 222 metres to O.S. grid reference SJ 8508 6252 then continuing in a generally westerly direction for approximately 25 metres to O.S. grid reference SJ 8506 6252 then running in a generally southerly direction for approximately 205 metres to O.S. grid reference SJ 8511 6233 where it joins Waggs Road (road no.UY1059).

APPROXIMATE LENGTH: 452 metres

WIDTHS:

OS Grid References	Width
At SJ 8519 6271	3.0 metres
SJ 8514 6264	1.95 metres
SJ 8514 6261	3.0 metres
SJ 8512 6258	2.4 metres
SJ 8511 6257	2.8 metres
SJ 8509 6253	2.2 metres
SJ 8508 6252	3.8 metres
SJ 8506 6252	1.7 metres
SJ 8507 6247	3.0 metres
SJ 8510 6242	2.1 metres
SJ 8511 6233	1.5 metres

NATURE OF SURFACE:

Tarmac between SJ 8519 6271 and SJ 8516 6268 Remainder is Compact Stone/Earth

SIGNS AND NOTICES:

Fingerposts at SJ 8514 6264, SJ 8508 6252 and SJ 8511

6233

LIMITATIONS OR CONDITIONS OF USE:

None

OTHER PARTICULARS:

Added by "The Cheshire East Borough Council Definitive Map and Statement (Upgrading of Public Footpaths Nos. 71 and 11 (part) to Bridleways, Parish of Congleton) Modification Order 2016".

ORDER MADE ON:

8th September 2016

Footnote: Lengths computed from Ordnance Survey digitised maps. Widths measured on the ground.

SCHEDULE

PART II

MODIFICATION OF DEFINITIVE STATEMENT Variation of particulars of path or way

O.S. SHEET NO: SJ 86SE

RELEVANT DATE: 8th September 2016

PARISH: Congleton

PATH NUMBER: Public Bridleway No. 85

GRID REFERENCE:

From: SJ 8518 6250

To: SJ 8508 6252

DESCRIPTION:

Public Bridleway no.85, in the Parish of Congleton commencing at its junction with Banky Fields (road no. UY630) at OS grid reference SJ 8518 6250 and running in a generally westerly direction for approximately 100 metres to O.S. grid reference SJ 8508 6252 where it joins Public Bridleway no.84, Congleton.

APPROXIMATE LENGTH: 100 metres

WIDTHS:

OS Grid References	Width	
At SJ 8518 6250	3.0 metres	
SJ 8514 6252	3.0 metres	
SJ 8511 6252	2.9 metres	
SJ 8509 6252	2.7 metres	

NATURE OF SURFACE:

Earth/grass

SIGNS AND NOTICES:

Fingerposts at SJ 8518 6250

and SJ 8508 6252

LIMITATIONS OR CONDITIONS OF USE:

None

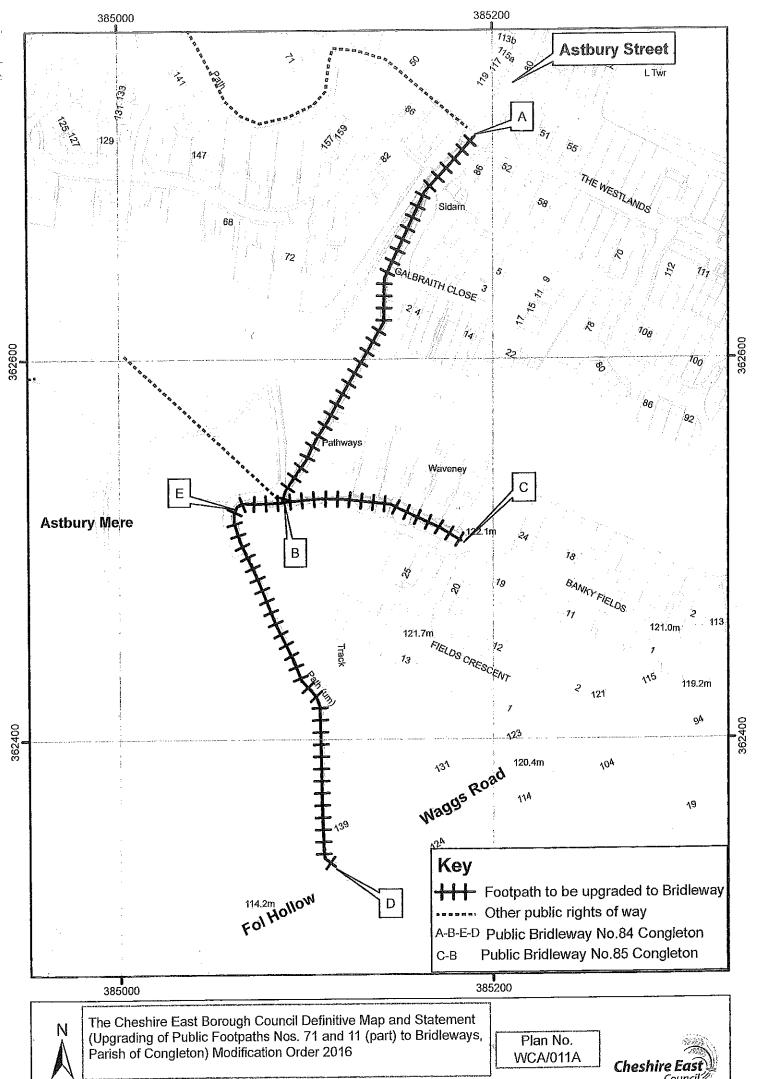
OTHER PARTICULARS:

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ORDER MADE ON:

8th September 2016

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Section 53 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981

CHESHIRE EAST BOROUGH COUNCIL

The Cheshire East Borough Council Definitive Map and Statement (Upgrading of Public Footpaths Nos. 71 and 11 (part) to Bridleways, Parish of Congleton) Modification Order 2016

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The Cheshire East Borough Council has a legal duty to record Public Footpaths, Bridleways, Restricted Byways and Byways Open to All Traffic (BOAT's) on a Definitive Map and Statement. These documents provide conclusive evidence of the public's right of access. The Cheshire East Borough Council, being responsible for the Definitive Map and Statement, has a duty to amend them when evidence suggests that they are inaccurate or incomplete. Such amendments are made by Modification Orders under Section 53 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. These Orders do not come into effect until they are confirmed; if there are any objections which are not subsequently withdrawn, the Cheshire East Borough Council must refer the Order and objections to the Department of the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, which will generally appoint an Inspector to decide whether or not to confirm the Order.

Cheshire East Borough Council has made a Modification Order under Section 53 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 to upgrade two footpaths to bridleways; Footpaths nos. 71 and 11 (part) in the Parish of Congleton on the Definitive Map and Statement. This Order recognises the rights that the Authority believes already exist. This Statement has been prepared to explain various aspects of the Order.

STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR MAKING THIS ORDER

This statement does not form part of the Order

The Cheshire East Borough Council has made the Order for the following reasons:

- 1. An application was made in November 2007 by Mrs P Amies to modify the Definitive Map and Statement by upgrading Footpath no.71 and 11(pt), Congleton to Bridleways (as shown on Plan no. WCA/011A between points A-B-E-D and C-B.
- 2. Following a detailed investigation a report was presented to the Council's Public Rights of Way Committee. The report concluded that there was sufficient user evidence to support the existence of bridleway rights along Footpath no. 71, and part of Footpath no. 11, Congleton. On the balance of probabilities, it was considered that the requirements of Section 53(3)(c)(ii) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 had been met and it was recommended that the sections A-B-E-D and C-B, as shown on Plan No. WCA/011A should be upgraded to Bridleway on the Definitive Map and Statement.

- 3. Under section 31(1) of the Highways Act 1980 public bridleway rights can come into existence by presumed dedication unless there is evidence to the contrary. This requires that the public must have used the way for 20 years without interruption and 'as of right'; that is without force, secrecy or permission. The 20 years is to be calculated retrospectively from the date when the right of the public to use the way is brought into question.
- 4. A member of the Border Bridleway Association was challenged in 2007 while using the route on horseback and this seems to have prompted the application to upgrade the route, which was made in the same year. Therefore the relevant twenty year period is 1987 to 2007.
- 5. During this period, from the user evidence forms and the witness interviews carried out by Officers, it would seem that both routes were being used on a fairly regular basis by horse riders. One of the property owners on Banky Fields referred to a horse galloping along the route. There is also frequent use by those that have used it on a bicycle and they continue to do so.
- 6. There is evidence of unhindered public enjoyment of the route 'as of right' by equestrians and cyclists during this period raising the presumption that, on the balance of probabilities, public bridleway rights subsist along the route between points A-B-E-D and C-B on plan no WCA/011A. All the evidence was considered and Members of the Cheshire East Borough Council Rights of Way Committee decided that this Order should be made.

Objections or representations to the Order must be made <u>in writing</u> to the Public Rights of Way Unit by the 24^{th} November 2016, as explained in the public notice.

Objections or representations may be sent by email to <u>jennifer.tench@cheshireeast.gov.uk</u> however they must be received on or before 24th November 2016.

To be relevant, objections and representations should be based on the existence or status of the route in question. Objections based on the issues of safety, suitability, privacy, security, amenity or the effects on the value of property may be held to be irrelevant.

The right of objection is a statutory right but it should be exercised in a reasonable manner. The costs involved in dealing with objections are normally only awarded if it is shown that someone has behaved in an unreasonable manner.

The Cheshire East Borough Council is willing to discuss the concerns of those considering making objections or representations relating to this Order. Please contact Jennifer Tench on (01270) 686158 in the Public Rights of Way Unit or email jennifer.tench@cheshireeast.gov.uk Copies of the documentary and user evidence may also be consulted free of charge at the Unit during normal office hours, by appointment with the officer above. The address is given below.

If there are no objections to the Order, or if any made are withdrawn, the Cheshire East Borough Council can confirm the Order and the Definitive Map and Statement will be modified. If there are objections which are not withdrawn, the Borough Council must refer the Order to the Department of the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs. The Department will appoint an independent Inspector to consider the Order and hear objections, with or without holding a public inquiry. The Inspector may confirm the Order, with or without modifications, or may decide that the Order should not be confirmed at all.

Cheshire East Borough Council Public Rights of Way Unit 2nd Floor Old Building, Municipal Buildings, Earle Street, Crewe, CW1 2BJ

NOTICE OF MODIFICATION ORDER

Section 53 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981

The Cheshire East Borough Council Definitive Map and Statement (Upgrading of Public Footpaths Nos. 71 and 11 (part) to Bridleways, Parish of Congleton) Modification Order 2016

The above Order, made on the 8th September 2016 under section 53 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, will modify the Definitive Map and Statement for the area by upgrading to bridleways:

Public Footpath No.71, Parish of Congleton, commencing at its junction with Bridleway no.12, Congleton at the south end of Astbury Street (road no.UY622) at OS grid reference SJ 8519 6271 and running in a generally south south westerly direction for approximately 222 metres to O.S. grid reference SJ 8508 6252 then continuing in a generally westerly direction for approximately 25 metres to O.S. grid reference SJ 8506 6252 then running in a generally southerly direction for approximately 205 metres to O.S. grid reference SJ 8511 6233 where it joins Waggs Road (road no.UY1059).

Public Footpath No.11 (part), Parish of Congleton, commencing at its junction with Banky Fields (road no. UY630) at OS grid reference SJ 8518 6250 and running in a generally westerly direction for approximately 100 metres to O.S. grid reference SJ 8508 6252 where it joins public bridleway no.84, Congleton.

Public Footpath No. 71, Congleton to be known as Public Bridleway no. 84, Congleton. Public Footpath no. 11(pt) to be known as Public Bridleway no. 85, Congleton.

The effect of the order is illustrated on the plan attached to this notice.

A copy of the Order and Map has been deposited and may be seen free of charge during normal office hours in the Rights of Way Unit at the office of the undersigned, and at the offices of Cheshire East Borough Council, Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ. Copies of the Order and the Map may be obtained free of charge from the undersigned.

Any representations or objections to the Order may be sent in writing to the undersigned, Public Rights of Way Unit, 2nd Floor Old Building, Municipal Buildings, Earle Street, Crewe, CW1 2BJ no later than the 24th November 2016. Please state the grounds on which they are made.

If no such representations or objections are duly made, or if any so made are withdrawn, the Cheshire East Council may confirm the Order itself as an unopposed Order. If the Order is sent to the Secretary of State, any representations and objections that have not been withdrawn will be sent with the Order.

DATED: 13th October 2016

Director of Legal Services, Public Rights of Way Unit, 2nd Floor Old Building, Municipal Buildings, Earle Street, Crewe, CW1 2BJ.