

NOTICE OF ORDER

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

SECTION 257

Northumberland County Council
Hexham Town (Public Footpath No. 52) Diversion Order 2015

Notice is hereby given that the above referenced Order has been submitted to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs for determination. An Inspector will be appointed by the Secretary of State to determine the Order.

The **start date** for the above Order is **19 November 2015**.

Consideration of the Order will take the form of a public local inquiry.

The Inquiry will be held at the **Great Hall, Hexham Abbey, Hexham, Northumberland, NE46 3NB** on **Tuesday 17 May 2016** at 10.00am.

The effect of the Order, if confirmed without modifications, will be as follows:-

Public Footpath No 52 (Hexham Town)

To extinguish the footpath, from a point marked A, on Gilesgate, 20 metres north of Hexham House, in a general north-easterly direction for a distance of 78 metres, to a point marked B, on Haugh Lane, 27 metres east of Stephenson House.

To create a 1.5 to 2.4 metre wide footpath, from a point marked C, on Gilesgate, at the western corner of Gilesgate Court, in a general north-easterly direction for a distance of 81 metres, to a point marked D on Haugh Lane, 36 metres north of Hadrian House.

Any queries relating to this Order should be referred to Helen Sparks at The Planning Inspectorate, Rights of Way Section, Room 3/25 Hawk Wing, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN. Telephone: 0303 444 5646. Email: helen.sparks@pins.gsi.gov.uk
Please quote reference number FPS/P2935/5/2 on all correspondence.

Any person wishing to view the statements of case and other documents relating to this Order may do so by appointment at the Infrastructure Records Team office, Northumberland County Council, County Hall, Morpeth, Northumberland, NE61 2EF during normal office hours (9:00 – 5:00pm Mondays to Thursdays and 9:00 – 4:30pm Fridays). To arrange a viewing, please contact Ms Barbara McCabe on Telephone Number (01670) 622618.

As the Authority have indicated that they will not be supporting the Order at the Inquiry, the case for the Order will be presented by McCarthy & Stone. They will be expected to adhere to the following timetable as if they were the Authority.

Timetable for sending in statements of case and proofs of evidence

Within 8 weeks of the start date [by 14 January 2016]

The Order Making Authority must ensure their statement of case is received by the Secretary of State. As soon as possible after the deadline, the Secretary of State will send a copy (excluding copies of any supporting documents, although these will be available to view at the Authority's offices) to everyone who has made an objection or representation and the applicant and any other person who has written to us in respect of the Order.

Within 14 weeks of the start date [by 25 February 2016]

Everyone who has made an objection or representation and anyone who wishes to give evidence at the Inquiry must ensure their statement of case¹ is received by the Secretary of State. As soon as possible after the deadline, the Secretary of State will send copies to the Authority, the applicant, every person who has made an objection or representation and any other person who has written to us in respect of the Order (excluding copies of any supporting documents, although these will be available to view at the Authority's offices).

Within the same period the applicant (if applicable) must ensure their statement of case is received by the Secretary of State. As soon as possible after the deadline, the Secretary of State will send a copy to the Authority, everyone who has made an objection or representation and any other person who has written to us in respect of the Order (excluding copies of any supporting documents, although these will be available to view at the Authority's offices).

4 weeks before the date of the inquiry [by 19 April 2016]

The Authority, everyone who has made an objection or representation, the applicant (if applicable) and anyone who wishes to give evidence at the Inquiry must ensure their proof of evidence (together with any summary) is received by the Secretary of State. As soon as possible after the deadline, the Secretary of State will send copies of:

- i) the Authority's proof of evidence to everyone who has made an objection or representation, the applicant and anyone who has

¹ If you wish to make a legal submission, this should be submitted at the same time as your statement of case. Otherwise legal submissions will have to be submitted in writing on the day of the inquiry.

submitted a statement of case (excluding copies of any supporting documents – although none should be submitted with a proof of evidence);

- ii) the applicant's proof of evidence to the Authority, everyone who has made an objection or representation and anyone else who has submitted a statement of case (excluding copies of any supporting documents – although none should be submitted with a proof of evidence); and
- iii) all other proofs of evidence to the Authority, the applicant, everyone who has made an objection or representation and anyone else who has submitted a statement of case (excluding copies of any supporting documents – although none should be submitted with a proof of evidence).

All parties must keep to the timetable set out above and ensure that statements of case and proofs of evidence are received by the Secretary of State on time. Late documents will be returned.

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