Order Decision

Site visit on 9 August 2016

by Mark Yates BA(Hons) MIPROW
an Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

Decision date: 18 January 2017

Order Ref: FPS/Z1585/4/24M

- This Order is made under Section 119 of the Highways Act 1980 (“the 1980 Act”) and is known as ‘Public Path Diversion Order Footpath 10 Wickham St Paul’.
- The Order was made by Essex County Council (“the Council”) on 19 January 2015 and proposed to divert a section of Footpath No. 10, in the parish of Wickham St Paul, as detailed in the Order Map and Schedule.
- The Council submitted the Order for confirmation to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs.
- In accordance with Paragraph 2(3) of Schedule 6 to the 1980 Act I have given notice of my proposal to confirm the Order with modifications.

Summary of Decision: The Order is confirmed subject to the modifications that I formerly proposed.

Procedural Matters

1. This decision should be read in conjunction with my interim decision of 31 August 2016, in respect of the Order, which outlined the main issues to be addressed, an assessment of the Order against the relevant matters and my conclusions.

2. I proposed to confirm the Order subject to modifications involving the alignment of the existing path. No representations were received in response to my interim decision.

Conclusion

3. For the reasons set down in my interim decision I conclude that the Order should be confirmed with the modifications detailed below.

Formal Decision

4. I confirm the Order subject to the following modifications:
   - Delete “Shellards Barn” from the fifth line of the description in Part 1 of the Order Schedule.
   - Remove from the Order Map the section of the existing path shown by a red hatched line and replace it with the section shown by a solid red line.
   - Amend the key to the Order Map to reflect the above modification.

Mark Yates

Inspector