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Via email

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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST A11 TRACK – LEGAL STATUS AND ACCESS RIGHTS

I am writing to confirm that we have now completed our search for the information that you requested on 19 April.

You asked about the legal status and access rights that exist on a track that runs on the northern side of the A11, from the B1077, passing the stopped-up end of Stoney Lane and continuing south-westwards to join the West Carr Road.

The land on which the track is sited was purchased by Highways England as part of our work to widen the A11 Attleborough Bypass. It was purchased in four separate parcels as can be seen in the plans attached in Annexes A1, A2, A3 and A4.

The side road order for the improvement work lists the track as a combined footway and cycle track within the boundary of the improved trunk road. The side road order text can be found on the [uklaws.org](http://www.uklaws.org) website at http://www.uklaws.org/statutory/instruments_33/doc33548.htm and I attach the relevant order plan extract at Annex B. This plan shows the track labelled as F and to be helpful, I have highlighted it in red. The order also shows that no alterations were to be made to the footway/cycleway as part of the improvement works. The track, therefore, remains accessible to both pedestrians and cyclists.

Highways England has retained ownership of the footway/cycleway and we are responsible for its maintenance. This may be why the track does not currently appear on the official highways map from Norfolk County Council.

As this footway/cycleway forms part of the A11, it does not hold any other official name or reference number.

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/highways-england/about/complaints-procedure>

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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote reference number 737,498 in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

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