NOTICE OF ORDER

WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981 SECTION 53

Durham County Council
Public Rights of Way Modification Order No. 2
(Public Footpath No. 77 Consett) 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 17 November 2015.

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

The Inquiry will be held at **Hamsterley & Low Westwood Community Centre, Derwent Cote, NE17 7SF** on **Tuesday 10 May 2016** at 10.00am.

The effect of the Order, if confirmed without modifications, will be to modify the Definitive Map and Statement for the area by adding to it: Public Footpath No.77, Consett Parish, commencing at a point on the B6310 (grid reference NZ 414138.556139 – Point A on the plan) to the south of High Hamsterley Road, proceeding in a northerly direction down concrete steps with adjacent handrail and across a grassy area for some 29 metres to a point where it meets High Hamsterley Road (grid reference NZ 414140.556168 – Point B on the plan).

Any queries relating to this Order should be referred to Clive Richards 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 5502. Email: clive.richards@pins.gsi.gov.uk. Please quote reference number FPS/X1355/7/3 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 County Hall, Durham, DH1 5UL between 9.00am and 4.00pm (Mon-Fri). Contact Loraine Holding on 03000 269724 or 03000 265331 to make an appointment.

<u>Timetable for sending in statements of case and proofs of evidence</u>

Within 8 weeks of the start date [by 12 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 23 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 12 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 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).

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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.

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.

Notice of order for inquiry