# **Order Decision**

Site Visit on 22 February 2016

# by Sue Arnott FIPROW

an Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

Decision date: 23 June 2016

## **Order Ref: FPS/P2935/7/45M**

- This Order is made under Section 53(2)(b) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.
  It is known as the Northumberland County Council Definitive Map Modification Order (No 18) 2012.
- The Order is dated 16 December 2012. It proposes to modify the definitive map and statement for the area by recording a bridleway from the end of public road U15 at Cockley Burn, south east and south westwards to join public road U19 east of Cheswick Farm Cottages in the Parish of Ancroft, as shown on the Order map and described in the Order schedule.
- There were two objections outstanding when Northumberland County Council submitted the Order for confirmation to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs.
- In accordance with Paragraph 8(2) of Schedule 15 to the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 I have given notice of my proposal to confirm the Order with modifications.
- In response to advertisement of these proposed modifications, one representation in support was submitted but subsequently withdrawn.

Summary of Decision: The Order is confirmed subject to the modifications previously proposed.

# **Preliminary Matters**

- 1. If confirmed with the modification set out in paragraph 32 of my interim Order Decision issued on 3 March 2016, the Order would record on the definitive map and statement a restricted byway along the Order route, not a public bridleway as originally proposed.
- 2. No objections have been submitted to this proposed change.

#### **Conclusion**

3. Having regard to the above and all other matters raised in the written representations, I conclude that the Order should be confirmed subject to the modifications that have been advertised.

### **Formal Decision**

- 4. I confirm the Order subject to the following modifications:
  - On the Order title page, delete "Bridleway No 28 (Parish of Ancroft)" and substitute "Restricted Byway No 28 (Parish of Ancroft)";
  - In the Order Index, delete "Bridleway 28" and substitute "Restricted Byway 28";

- In the Order Schedule, in the 'Description of Modification to Definitive Map and Statement', delete the words "bridleway" wherever it occurs and substitute "restricted byway" in each case;
- On the Order map, change the notation used for section A-B from that used to depict a 'Bridleway to that used to depict a 'Restricted Byway'.

Sue Arnott

Inspector

