NOTICE OF ORDER

HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 SECTION 118

Central Bedfordshire Council (Houghton Regis: Footpath No 11) Public Path Extinguishment 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 15 February 2016.

Consideration of the Order will take the form of exchanges of statements of case and comments on statements of case.

The effect of the Order, if confirmed without modifications, will be to extinguish Footpath No 11, Houghton Regis as shown on the Order map.

That length of Footpath No 11, Houghton Regis to be stopped up extends from its junction with the A5120 Bedford Road at Ordnance Survey Grid Reference (OS GR) TL 0132 2452 (Map point G) in a generally westwards direction for approximately 268 metres through paddocks to its junction with Footpath Nos 4 and A7 at OS GR TL 0106 2449 (Map point H).

Any queries relating to this Order should be referred to Jean McEntee 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 5437. Email: jean.mcentee@pins.gsi.gov.uk Please quote reference number FPS/P0240/3/8 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 offices of Rights of Way Team, Central Bedfordshire Council, Priory House, Monks Walk, Chicksands, Shefford SG17 5TQ between 9.00am and 5.00pm Mondays to Thursdays and between 9.00am to 4.00pm on Fridays. Telephone: 0300 300 6530.

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

Within 2 weeks of the start date [by 29 February 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, the applicant and any other person who has written to us in respect of the Order.

Within 8 weeks of the start date [by 11 April 2016]

Everyone who has made an objection or representation or any other written representation 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 copies (excluding copies of any supporting documents, although these will be available to view at the Authority's offices) 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.

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, 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 the Authority, everyone who has made an objection or representation and any other person who has written to us in respect of the Order.

Within 14 weeks of the start date [by 23 May 2016]

Everyone who has made an objection or representation, the Authority, the applicant (if applicable) and anyone who has written to us in respect of the Order must ensure that their comments on any or every other statement of case is received by the Secretary of State. As soon as possible after the deadline, the Secretary of State will send copies of these comments to everyone else.

Any other person wishing to make representations in writing to the Secretary of State in respect of the above Order must do so in line with the timetable set out above.

In fairness to the other parties <u>everyone should keep to the</u> <u>timetable</u> to ensure that statements of case and comments are received on time. Late documents will be returned.

We cannot accept any libellous, racist or abusive comments. Any documents containing such comments will be returned.