NOTICE OF ORDER

WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981 SECTION 53

Bath & North East Somerset Council (Public Footpath BC52/8, Former Fox Hill Site, Bath) Definitive Map Modification Order 2016

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 June 2016.

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

The Inquiry will be held at Aix en Provence, The Guildhall, High Street, Bath, Bath & North East Somerset, BA1 5AW on Tuesday 29 November 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 them the footpath commencing from a junction with Bradford Road at grid reference ST 7558 6241 (Point A on the Order Map) and continuing in a generally northerly direction over Bramble way for approximately 140 metres to grid reference ST 7556 6254 (Point C on the Order Map) and continuing in a generally northerly direction adjacent to Combe Down Rugby Club for approximately 165 metres to grid reference ST 7556 6271 (Point E on the Order Map) and continuing in a generally northerly direction to the rear of 35-38 Stonehouse Lane for approximately 65 metres to grid reference ST 7557 6278 (Point F on the Order Map) and turning in a generally east-north-easterly direction for approximately 295 metres to a junction with Pope's Walk at grid reference ST 7584 6285 (Point G on the Order Map).

Any queries relating to this Order should be referred to Jean McEntee at The Planning Inspectorate, Rights of Way Section, Room 3/G 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/F0114/7/21 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 Bath and North East Somerset Council, Civic Centre, Market Walk, Keynsham BS31 1FS during normal working hours. Telephone: 01225 477650.

As Bath & North East Somerset Council have indicated that they will not be supporting the Order at the Inquiry, the case for the Order will be presented by Mr N Coates. Mr Coates will be expected to adhere to the following timetable as if he were the Council.

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

Within 8 weeks of the start date [by 10 August 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 21 September 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 1 November 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).

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.

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

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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.