

SECTION 28 DIRECTION REVIEW FORM

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| MOD HOLDING: | Willsworthy Range, Dartmoor Training Area | | | | |
| TLB: | Defence Infrastructure Organisation | | | | |
| CROW AREA: | 6 | | | | |
| DATE OF ORIGINAL DIRECTION: | 05/12/2007 | | | | |
| CATEGORY | COMMON | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | OPEN COUNTRY | <input type="checkbox"/> | DEDICATED |
| S28 TERM | SHORT TERM DATES: | | | | |
| | LONG TERM DATES: | | | | |
| | INDEFINITE: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | | | |
| DESCRIPTION OF SITE: Willsworthy Range forms part of the Dartmoor Training Area (DTA). It is the only part of the DTA that is freehold. The extremely small areas to which a s28 is being applied are the fragments within the Danger Area that fall outwith the byelaw area. The landscape is typical of upland Dartmoor consisting of heather and grass moorland, granite outcrops and deep river valleys. HECTARAGE OF DIRECTION: 30.52 | | | | | |
| DESCRIPTION OF MILITARY USE: The Willsworthy Training Area complex consists of three fixed firing ranges. Live field firing takes place across Willsworthy and there are positions for artillery and mortars to fire from. Dry training also takes place across the whole of the DTA. | | | | | |
| CURRENT PUBLIC ACCESS: When the Willsworthy Range Byelaws (1980) are not enacted by live firing then the public has a right of open access on foot and horse under the Dartmoor Commons Act 1985. When live firing is been undertaken then red flags and lamps are flown and Range Wardens patrol the areas to control public access. Public Rights of Way remain open when the Willsworthy byelaws are not in operation but are closed during live firing for purposes of public safety during defence activities. DTA firing times are advertised extensively locally and on an MOD website. | | | | | |
| ORIGINAL S28 JUSTIFICATION: 1. This is a case of access land mapped within a defined Range Danger Area. All access land within Danger Area must remain subject to restriction in the interest of public safety during defence activity. 2. MOD intends to create byelaws for this area under the current byelaw review programme resulting in this land being permanently excepted from CROW access legislation. Any proposals for byelaws will be subject to public consultation. | | | | | |
| REVIEW COMMENTS: The Military Use section is still relevant. The original s28 justification remains valid and there is a continued need for a s28 CROW direction. | | | | | |
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| MAP ATTACHED: | | YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | NO <input type="checkbox"/> | |

RELEVANT ACCESS AUTHORITY:

Dartmoor National Park Authority - Ian Durrant, Access Officer, Dartmoor National Park Authority, Parke, Bovey Tracey, Newton Abbot, Devon, TQ13 9JQ

LOCAL ACCESS FORUM INFORMED:

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