

# **NOTICE OF ORDER**

## **WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981**

### **SECTION 53**

Hertfordshire County Council  
(Little Gaddesden 2, 3 & 27) Modification Order 2014

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. Following an earlier inquiry the Inspector appointed to determine the Order issued a letter in which he proposed to make modifications to the Order as drafted. Following advertisement of those proposals objections/representations have been received.

The **start date** for the above Order is **12 March 2019**

Consideration of the Order will take the form of a public local inquiry. It is being held so that the Inspector can hear evidence in respect of the Inspector's proposed modifications only.

The Inquiry will be held at Aldbury Memorial Hall, The Green, Aldbury, Tring, Hertfordshire HP23 5RR on Tuesday 9 July 2019 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:-

Deleting from them; that part of Little Gaddesden Footpath 2 commencing at a junction with Ringshall Road opposite Beacon Road at SP 9846 1424 and running generally south east for approximately 85 metres to SP 9851 1417 and that part of Little Gaddesden Footpath 3 commencing at a junction with Little Gaddesden Footpath 2 at SP 9848 1421 and running generally south for approximately 310 metres to SP 9850 1390.

Adding to them; a public Footpath commencing at SP 9850 1403 and running generally north east for approximately 150 metres to a junction with Little Gaddesden Footpath 2 at SP 9861 1414

A public Footpath commencing at a junction with the Ringshall Road at SP 9846 1420 and running generally south east for approximately 55 metres to SP 9851 1417

A public Footpath commencing at a junction with Little Gaddesden Footpath 2 at SP 9851 1417 and running generally south for approximately 265 metres to a junction with Little Gaddesden Footpath 3 at SP 9850 1390.

The effect of the proposed modifications would be to as follows:

In the Schedule Part I:

Under the sub-heading 'Description of path or way to be deleted':

amend paragraph 2 to read "That part of Little Gaddesden Footpath 3 commencing at a junction with Little Gaddesden Footpath 2 at SP 9848 1421 (point C on the Order plan) and running generally south for approximately 25 metres to SP 9848 1419 (point X on the Order plan)."

under the sub-heading 'Description of path or way to be added':

amend paragraph 1 to read "A public footpath commencing at SP 9850 1390 (point D on the Order Plan) and running generally north for approximately 130 metres to SP 9850 1403 (point E on the Order Plan) then running generally north east for approximately 150 metres to a junction with little Gaddesden Footpath 2 at SP 9861 1414.

Width: varying from 1 metre to 1.45 metres between SP 9850 1390 (point D on the Order Plan) and SP 9850 1403 (point E on the Order Plan) as shown shaded on part 2 of the Order Plan, 2 metres between SP 9850 1403 (point E on the Order Plan) and SP 9861 1414 (point F on the Order Plan). Limitations: None".

Delete paragraph 3

In the Schedule Part II:

Amend the proposed statement for Little Gaddesden 027 to read as follows:

"Commencing at a junction with Little Gaddesden FP3 at SP 9850 1390 and running generally N then NE for approx. 280m to a junction with Little Gaddesden FP2 at SP 9861 1414. Width: varying from 1 metre to 1.45 metres between SP 9850 1390 and SP 9850 1403; 2 metres between SP 9850 1403 and SP 9861 1414. Limitations: None".

Amend the proposed statement for Little Gaddesden 002 to read as follows:

"Commences at junction with Ringshall Road at SP 9846 1420 and runs generally SE for approx. 20 metres to a junction with Little Gaddesden FP3 at SP 9848 1419 then continues generally SE and E to a junction with Little Gaddesden FP27 at SP 9861 1414. Continues SE through Ashridge Park across FP5 at Witchcraft Bottom thence SE and the NE to junction with county road opposite Memorial Lodge at Little Gaddesden.

Amend the proposed statement for Little Gaddesden 003 to read as follows:

Commences at junction with Little Gaddesden FP2 at SP 9848 1419 thence generally SE through Ashridge Park to junction with FP5. Recommences from FP5 approx 170m SW of previous junction thence SE then S to west end of Ashridge House thence SW and SE along eastern boundary of Hardings Rookery to join Park Road at Birkhamstead Lodge. Width: Limitations:"

In the Order Plan Part 1:

insert point X;

delete the paths between points X and D and between points B and E.

annotate D – E as being part of Little Gaddesden FP27

In the order Plan part 2:

annotate D – E as being part of Little Gaddesden FP27

Any queries relating to this Order should be referred to Jean McEntee at The Planning Inspectorate, Rights of Way Section, Room 3/A Eagle Wing, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN. Telephone: 0303 444 5437. Email: [jean.mcentee@pins.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:jean.mcentee@pins.gsi.gov.uk) Please quote reference number ROW/3184705M 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 Hertfordshire County Council, County Hall, Pegs Lane, Hertford SG13 8DN between 10am – 12pm, 2 – 4pm Monday to Friday (excluding Bank Holidays. Telephone: 01992 555279.

### **Timetable for sending in statements of case and proofs of evidence**

#### **Within 8 weeks of the start date [by 7 May 2019]**

The Order Making Authority, the applicant and everyone who has made an objection or representation following the proposed modifications and anyone who wishes to give evidence at the Inquiry must ensure their statement of case<sup>1</sup> is received by the Secretary of State. As soon as possible after receiving it the Secretary of State will send a full copy to the Authority. Copies (excluding copies of any supporting documents - these will be available to view at the Authority's offices) will also be sent to everyone who has made an objection or representation following the modifications, the applicant and anyone else who has previously written to us in respect of the Order.

#### **4 weeks before the date of the inquiry [by 11 June 2019]**

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<sup>1</sup> 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.

The Authority, everyone who has made an objection or representation following the proposed modifications, 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 the Secretary of State. As soon as possible after receiving them, the Secretary of State will send copies of:

- i) the Authority's proof of evidence to everyone who has made an objection or representation following the proposed modifications, the applicant, anyone who has submitted a statement of case and anyone else who has previously written to us in respect of the Order;
- ii) the applicant's proof of evidence to the Authority, everyone who has made an objection or representation following the proposed modifications, anyone who has submitted a statement of case and anyone else who has previously written to us in respect of the Order; and
- iii) all other proofs of evidence to the Authority, the applicant and anyone else who has either submitted a statement of case or who has previously written to us in respect of the Order .

**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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