

NOTICE OF ORDER

Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 – Section 53

West Sussex County Council
(Midhurst No. 1: Rogate (Addition of Public Footpath)) Definitive Map
Modification Order 2019

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 3rd March 2020.

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

The Inquiry will be held at **West Sussex County Council, County Hall, West Street, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 1RQ** on **Tuesday 4th August 2020** 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 a footpath commencing from Bridleway 1163 (grid reference 481426, 124524) proceeding westwards with a width of 4 metres and continuing for approximately 12 metres before narrowing to a width of 1,6 metres (481416, 124519) and continuing for approximately 210 metres before proceeding south (grid reference 481168, 124541) with a width of 3 metres approximately 178 metres until joining with Fyning Lane (grid reference 481212,124371) in the Parish of Rogate.

Any queries relating to this Order should be referred to Spencer Barrowman 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 5211. Email: Spencer.Barrowman@planninginspectorate.gov.uk. Please quote reference number ROW/3234285 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 West Sussex County Council, offices of Legal Services, County Hall, West Street, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 1RQ. Contact Ms Georgia Hickland, Georgia.Hickland@westsussex.gov.uk, tel.01243 777100.

As the Authority has indicated that they will not be supporting the Order at the Inquiry, the case for the Order will be presented by Ann Arnold. She will be expected to adhere to the following timetable as if she were the Authority

Timetable for sending in statements of case and proofs of evidence

Within 8 weeks of the start date by [by 28th April 2020]

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 - 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 9th June 2020]

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 full copies to the Authority. Copies will also be sent to 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 - 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 full copy to the Authority. Copies will also be sent to 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 - these will be available to view at the Authority's offices).

4 weeks before the date of the inquiry [by 7th July 2020]

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.

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.