

RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE AGENDA

Monday, 27 March 2017 at 5.30 pm in the Bridges Room - Civic Centre

From the Chief Executive, Sheena Ramsey

Item	Business
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1	Apologies for Absence
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2	Minutes (Pages 3 - 18)
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The committee is asked to approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on 7 November 2017

3	The Lady Elizabeth Kirk Award
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Awarded to Gateshead Council by the British Horse Society at their Annual Awards Ceremony on 25th November 2016 at Saddler's Hall, London.
This award given directly by the British Horse Society, shows an appreciation by an independent body of the work undertaken by the Rights of Way Committee.

The speech delivered at the ceremony on the presentation of the award:

"The Lady Elizabeth Kirk Award for the best voluntary dedication of a bridleway goes to **Gateshead Council**.

Driven by a desire to add to the convenience and enjoyment of all users, Gateshead Council made a deed of dedication to upgrade a footpath to a bridleway on its land at Buck's Hill Plantation in Whickham. The upgrade to Footpath Whickham 79 adds an equestrian and cycle link to the existing rights of way in Washingwell Woods. This generous dedication will hopefully inspire other councils and public organisations to do to the same."

4	Deed of Dedication at Jonadab Road (Pages 19 - 24)
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Report of the Strategic Director, Communities and Environment

5	Public Path Creation Agreement at Keelmans Way (Pages 25 - 30)
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Report of the Strategic Director, Communities and Environment

Report of the Strategic Director, Corporate Services and Governance and the Strategic Director, Communities and Environment

GATESHEAD METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, 7 November 2016

PRESENT: Councillor K Wood (Chair)

Councillor(s): C Bradley, A Geddes, M Ord, J Turnbull and A Wheeler

RW5 MINUTES

RESOLVED - That the minutes of the meeting held on 18 March 2016 be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

RW6 DEED OF DEDICATION MILKWELLBURN WOOD

The Committee received an update report which asked for approval of the following recommendations.

- RESOLVED -
- (i) That a Deed of Dedication be made on Council owned land to:
 - a. Upgrade a section of Footpath Blaydon 14 to bridleway from Point B to Point C as shown with a solid black line on the plan at the appendix to this minute,
 - b. To upgrade a section of Footpath Blaydon 11 to Bridleway from Point D to Point E as shown with a solid black line on the plan at the appendix to this minute, and
 - c. The dedication of a bridleway from Point A to Point B and Point C to Point D and from Point E to Point F, as shown with a solid green line on the plan at the appendix to this minute.
 - (ii) That delegated authority be granted to the Strategic Director of Corporate Services and Governance to undertake the following:

To complete and publicise a deed of dedication to:

- a. Upgrade a section of Footpath Blaydon 14 to

Bridleway from Point B to Point C as shown with a solid black line on the plan at the appendix to this minute;

- b. to upgrade a section of Footpath Blaydon 11 to Bridleway from Point D to Point E as shown with a solid black line on the plan at the appendix to this minute, and
- c. The dedication of a bridleway from Point A to Point B and Point C to Point D and from Point E to Point F, with a solid green line on the plan at the appendix to this minute.

RW7 DEED OF DEDICATION - FELLDYKE

RESOLVED - (i) that a Deed of Dedication be made on Council owned land to extend Bridleway Gateshead 1 to link with Bridleway Felling 41 at Felldyke, Wrekenton, Gateshead as shown with a bold black line from Point A to Point B on the plan at the appendix to this minute.

- (ii) Grant delegated authority to the Strategic Director of Corporate Services and Governance to undertake the following:

To complete and publicise a deed of dedication to extend Bridleway Gateshead 1 as shown with a bold black line from Point A to Point B on the plan attached to Appendix to this minute.

RW8 CREATION AGREEMENT FOR MIKWELLBURN WOOD

RESOLVED - (i) That a public path creation agreement is entered into:

- a) to create a bridleway as shown with a green line from Point A to Point B to Point C to Point D and Point G to B at Milkwellburn Wood, Chopwell, on the plan at the Appendix to this minute.
- b) to upgrade sections of Footpaths Blaydon 11 and 14 to bridleway as shown with a solid black line from Point E to Point D to Point F to Point G at Milkwellburn Wood, Chopwell on the plan at the Appendix to this minute.

- (II) That authority be granted to the Strategic Director of Corporate Services and Governance to undertake to complete the public path creation agreement to:

- a. Create a bridleway as shown with a green line from Point A to Point B to Point C to Point D and Point G to B at Milkwellburn Wood, Chopwell, on the plan at the appendix this minute.
- b. To upgrade sections of Footpaths Blaydon 11 and 14 to bridleway as shown with a solid black line from Point E to Point D to Point F to Point G at Milkwellburn Wood, Chopwell on the plan at the appendix to this minute.

RW9 PROGRESS ON RIGHTS OF WAY MATTERS

The Committee were provided with updates on legal issues regarding Sherburn Towers at Rowlands Gill, the Extinguishment of footpaths 14 and 15 at Bill Quay and a public path creation order at Felling.

The Committee were also updated on works which have been carried out on the Rights of Way Network between July and November. Works have been carried out at Birtley, Northside and Sheddons Way, Blaydon, Ryton and High Spennings and Greenside and Blaydon and North View.

RESOLVED - That the information in the report be noted.

Chair.....

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Date of Committee: 7 November 2016

Proposal:

To seek authority from the Rights of Way Committee to upgrade a section of Footpath Blaydon 11 and Footpath Blaydon 14 to Bridleway at the west of North Terrace, CHopwell, Gateshead

Declarations of Interest:

Name	Nature of Interest
None	None

List of speakers and details of any additional information submitted:

An update report was provided which contained some amendments to the recommendations as listed below.

Decision(s) and any conditions attached

That a Deed of Dedication be made on Council owned land to:

- a. Upgrade a section of Footpath Blaydon 14 to bridleway from Point B to Point C as shown with a solid black line on the plan at the appendix to this minute,
- b. To upgrade a section of Footpath Blaydon 11 to Bridleway from Point D to Point E as shown with a solid black line on the plan at the appendix to this minute, and
- c. The dedication of a bridleway from Point A to Point B and Point C to Point D and from Point E to Point F, as shown with a solid green line on the plan at the appendix to this minute.

That delegated authority be granted to the Strategic Director of Corporate Services and Governance to undertake the following:

To complete and publicise a deed of dedication to:

- a. Upgrade a section of Footpath Blaydon 14 to Bridleway from Point B to Point C as shown with a solid black line on the plan at the appendix to this minute;
- b. to upgrade a section of Footpath Blaydon 11 to Bridleway from Point D to Point E as shown with a solid black line on the plan at the appendix to this minute, and
- c. The dedication of a bridleway from Point A to Point B and Point C to Point D and from Point E to Point F, with a solid green line on the plan at the appendix to this minute.

Any additional comments on application/decision:

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Plan of Deed of Dedication

To Upgrade Sections of Footpaths Blaydon 11 & 14 to Bridleway and Dedication of Bridleway to Link these two sections and North Terrace, Chopwell, Gateshead

Sections of Footpaths to be upgraded
B - C, D - E

Other Gateshead
Footpaths

Bridleway to be Dedicated
A - B, C - D, E - F

Gateshead Council
owned land

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Date of Committee: 7 November 2016

Proposal:

To seek authority from the Rights of Way Committee for a deed of dedication to extend Bridleway Gateshead 1, Felldyke, Wrekenton on Council owned land, as shown with a solid black line from Point A to Point B on the attached plan.

Declarations of Interest:

Name	Nature of Interest
None	None

List of speakers and details of any additional information submitted:

Decision(s) and any conditions attached

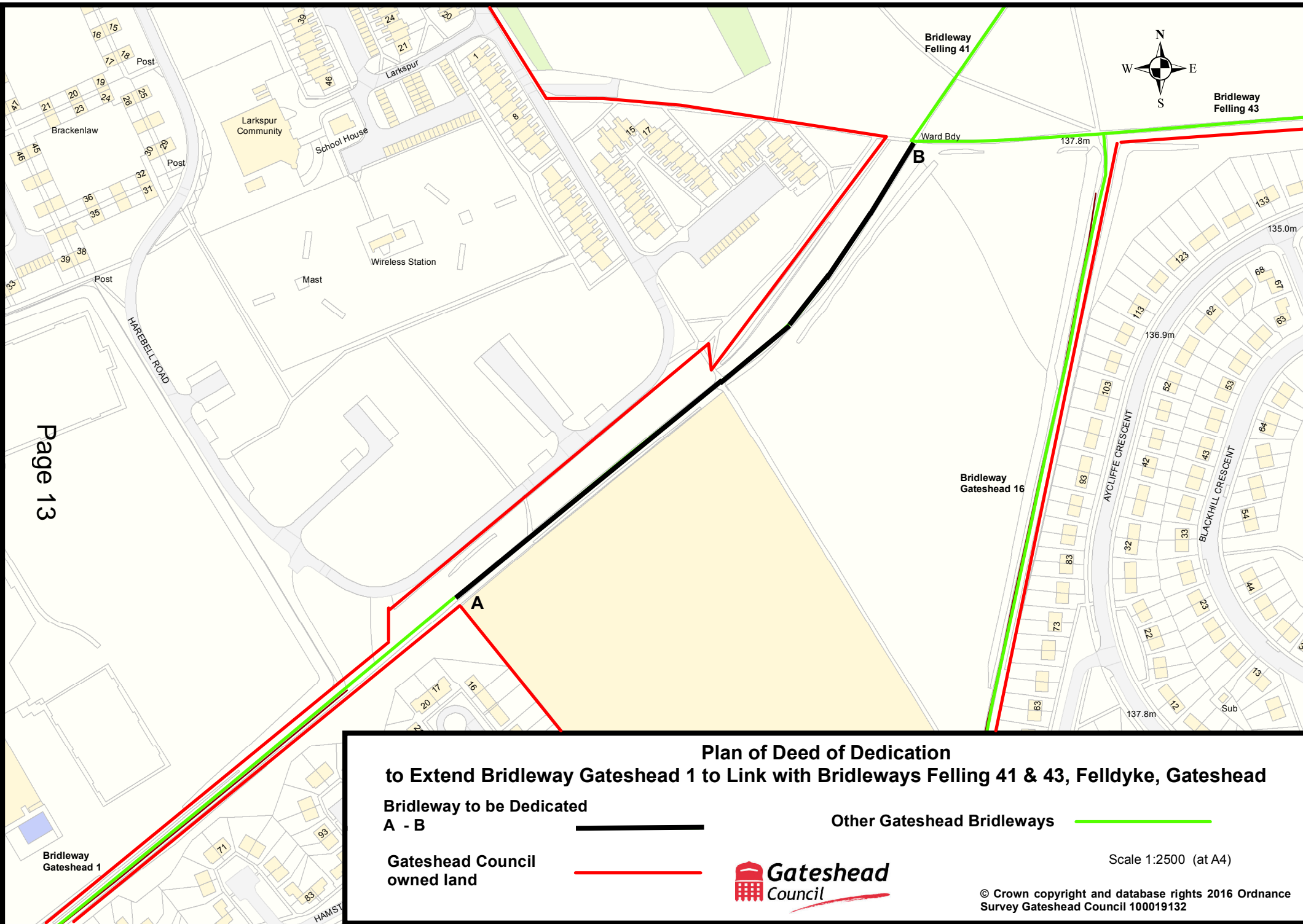
that a Deed of Dedication be made on Council owned land to extend Bridleway Gateshead 1 to link with Bridleway Felling 41 at Felldyke, Wrekenton, Gateshead as shown with a bold black line from Point A to Point B on the plan attached.

that delegated authority be granted to the Strategic Director of Corporate Services and Governance to undertake the following:

To complete and publicise a deed of dedication to extend Bridleway Gateshead 1 as shown with a bold black line from Point A to Point B on the plan attached to Appendix to this minute.

Any additional comments on application/decision:

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Plan of Deed of Dedication to Extend Bridleway Gateshead 1 to Link with Bridleways Felling 41 & 43, Felldyke, Gateshead

**Bridleway to be Dedicated
A - B**

Other Gateshead Bridleways

**Gateshead Council
owned land**



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Proposal:

To seek the approval of the Committee on the securing of a Creation Agreement under Section 25 of the Highways Act 1980 with the landowners to create a bridleway from Point A to Point B to C to D and Point G to Point B as shown with a green line on the attached plan; and to upgrade a section of Footpaths Blaydon 11 and 14 to bridleway from Point E to D to F to G as shown with a solid black line on the attached plan.

Declarations of Interest:

Name	Nature of Interest
None	None

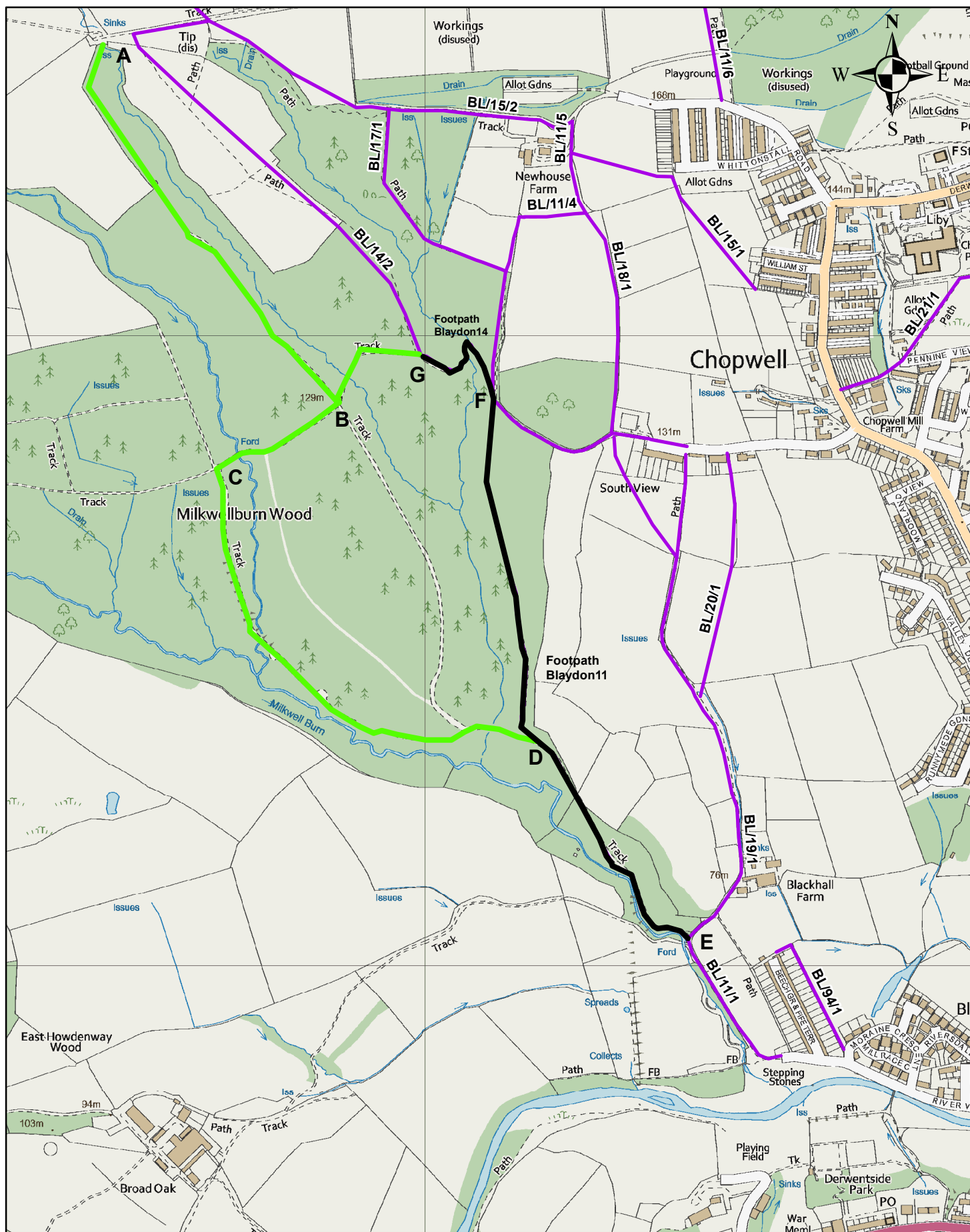
List of speakers and details of any additional information submitted:

Decision(s) and any conditions attached

- (i) That a public path creation agreement is entered into:
 - (a) to create a bridleway as shown with a green line from Point A to Point B to Point C to Point D and Point G to B at Milkwellburn Wood, Chopwell, on the plan attached.
 - (b) to upgrade sections of Footpaths Blaydon 11 and 14 to bridleway as shown with a solid black line from Point E to Point D to Point F to Point G at Milkwellburn Wood, Chopwell on the plan attached.
- (ii) That authority be granted to the Strategic Director of Corporate Services and Governance to undertake to complete the public path creation agreement to:
 - a. Create a bridleway as shown with a green line from Point A to Point B to Point C to Point D and Point G to B at Milkwellburn Wood, Chopwell, on the plan attached.
 - b. To upgrade sections of Footpaths Blaydon 11 and 14 to bridleway as shown with a solid black line from Point E to Point D to Point F to Point G at Milkwellburn Wood, Chopwell on the plan attached.

Any additional comments on application/decision

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Proposed Creation Agreement for the Dedication of a Bridleway and Upgrade of Footpath to Bridleway, Milkwellburn Wood, Chopwell

Bridleway to be Dedicated
A - B - C - D & G - B

Footpath to be Upgraded
E - D - F - G

Other Gateshead Footpaths

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**Report for Rights of Way
Committee**

27TH March 2017

TITLE OF REPORT: **Dedication of a Bridleway at Jonadab Road,
Bill Quay, Gateshead.**

REPORT OF: **Strategic Director of Communities and Environment**

Summary

This report relates to the proposed dedication of a Bridleway Felling 51 and the upgrade of part of Footpath Felling 11 to Bridleway at Jonadab Road, Bill Quay, Gateshead.

Purpose of the report

- 1) To seek authority from the Rights of Way Committee for a deed of dedication to record a bridleway on Council owned land, at Jonadab Road, Bill Quay, Gateshead as shown from Point A to B and C to D and the upgrade of part of Footpath Felling 11 to Bridleway as shown from Point B to C on the plan at Appendix 2 to the report.

Background

- 2) The bridleway as shown from Point A to Point B and Point C to Point D and part of Footpath Felling 11 as shown from Point B to Point C on the plan at Appendix 2 to this report, has a tarmac surface and runs east to west between its junctions with Cromwell Road and Footpath Felling 11 and Low Heworth Lane.
- 3) The bridleway forms part of the Keelman's Way cycle route which runs between the boundaries of South Tyneside in the east and Northumberland in the west. The public have had permissive access over the proposed bridleway which gives access to other Gateshead footpaths, bridleways and adopted highways. The proposed bridleway is suitable for use by equestrians and cyclists and the dedication of the bridleway is to formalise the use by walkers, horse riders and cyclists.
- 4) The Council own all of the land the proposed upgrade to and dedication of bridleway Felling 51 will be dedicated across. The land is managed by Property Services, who have been consulted and have no objections to the proposals. The surface is in good condition and there are no need for any remedial works.

The Law

- 5) Due to the proposed dedication of Bridleway Felling 51 being wholly on Council owned land, the Council can dedicate that bridleway via a Deed of Dedication in accordance with section 1 of the Localism Act 2011. Section 1 of the Localism Act 2011 gives a local authority power to do anything that individuals generally may do, such as dedicating land for public rights of way. The Council if dedicating the bridleway would need to give public notice of the dedication in the local press and on site but it would not be subject to a public objection period in the same way as it would be if it was created via a Creation Order under section 26 of the Highways Act 1980. However this proposed bridleway would provide an essential link and is already well used by the public in the area.
- 6) The Council can confirm that if a deed of dedication was to be made by the Council for the proposed dedication of a bridleway, that due regard will be given to the needs of agricultural and forestry and the desirability of conserving flora, fauna and geological and physiographical features in accordance with Section 29 of the Highways Act 1980.

Consultation

- 7) Consultation is not statutorily prescribed with a deed of dedication. However, local user groups were consulted on the proposed dedication Bridleway Felling 51. Consultations were sent out to the representatives of 6 local user groups, The British Horse Society, Chopwell Wood Horse Riders Association, Cycling UK, Gateshead Ramblers, Ryton Pathfinders and The Local Access Forum with 3 replies received from Ryton Pathfinders, The British Horse Society, and Cycling UK. There were no objections with one comment made in by Cycling UK in relation to a maintenance requirement on an adjoining route. The consultation has been sent out so as to cover a review of the whole of the Keelmans Way. The relevant Ward members, whose Wards are affected have been sent copies of the consultation letter.

Conclusion

- 8) In conclusion it is the view of Officers that Bridleway Felling 51 be dedicated as a bridleway via a deed of dedication and the upgrade of Part of Footpath Felling 11, as it would formalise the use of the bridleway forming part of the Keelman's Way and provide links with other footpaths, bridleways and adopted highways, adding to the convenience and enjoyment of a substantial section of the public in that area.

Recommendation

The Rights of Way Committee approves:

- i) That a Deed of Dedication be made on Council owned land to dedicate Bridleway Felling 51 at Jonadab Road, Bill Quay, Gateshead as shown with a broken line from Point A to Point B and Point C to Point D on the plan at Appendix 2 to this report.
- ii) That a Deed of Dedication be made to upgrade part of Footpath Felling 11 as shown with a bold yellow line from Point B to Point C on the plan at Appendix 2 to this report.

Grant delegated authority to the Strategic Director of Corporate Services and Governance to undertake the following:

- iii) To complete and publicise a deed of dedication to dedicate Bridleway Felling 51 as shown with a broken line from Point A to Point B and Point C to Point D on the attached plan at Appendix 2 to this report and to upgrade part of Footpath Felling 11 as shown with a bold yellow line from Point B to Point C on the plan at Appendix 2 to this report.

Contact: Rob Hindhaugh extension 3094

1 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The cost of making and advertising the deed of dedication will be covered by existing budgets.

2 RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

None

3 HUMAN RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS

Staff from Legal, Democratic and Property in conjunction with the Public Rights of Way Officer, will carry out the processing of the deed of dedication.

4 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

None

5 CRIME & DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

None

6 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

None

7 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

Under Article 8, everyone has the right to respect for his or her private and family life, home and correspondence.

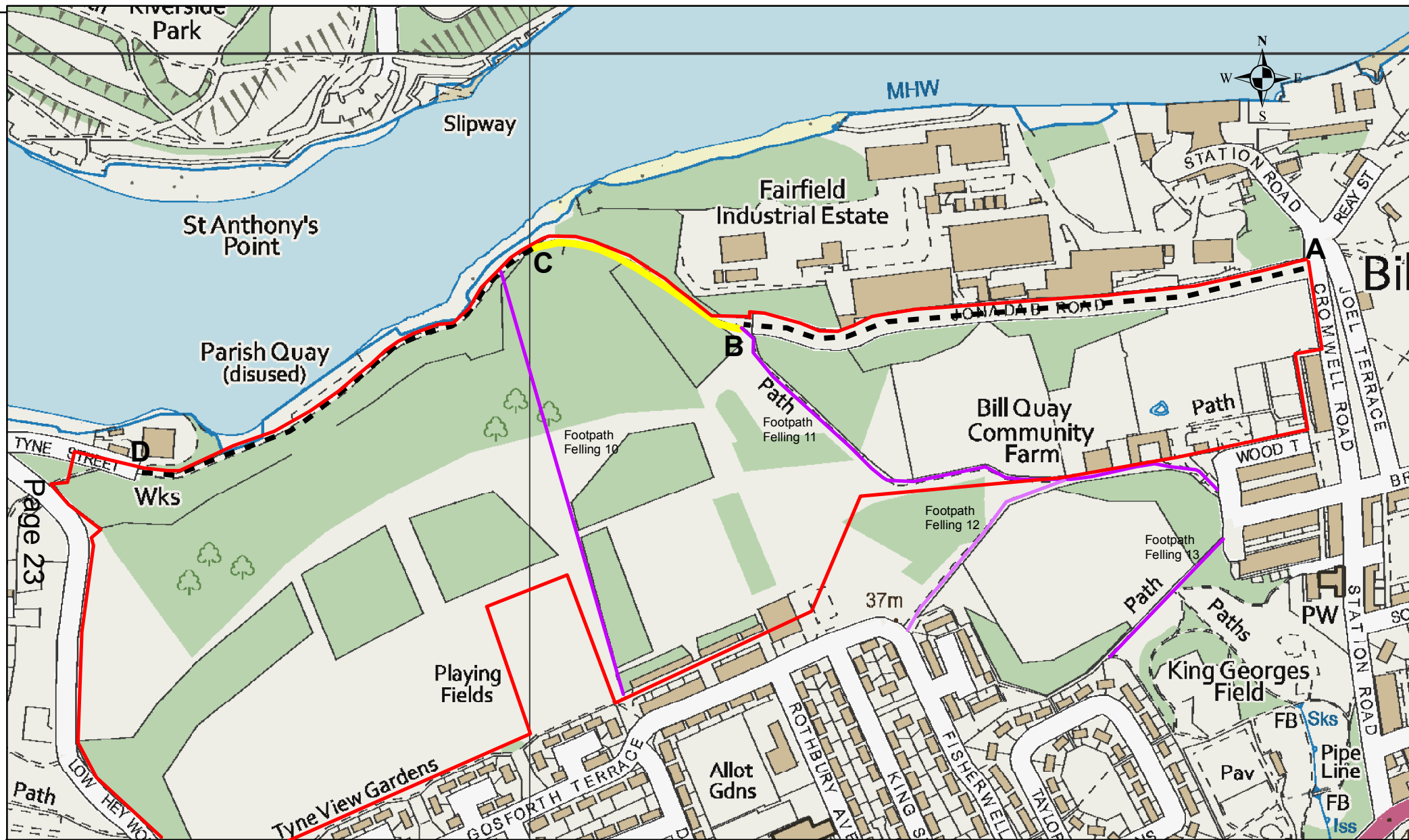
8 WARD IMPLICATIONS

Pelaw and Heworth.

9 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

None

Contact: Rob Hindhaugh extension 3094



**Deed of Dedication Bridleway Felling 51 including
Part upgrade of Footpath Felling11 to Bridleway at Jonadab Road Bill Quay**

Bridleway subject of Deed of Dedication
A - B and C - D

Part of Footpath Felling 11 upgrade to Bridleway

B - C

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Other Gateshead Footpaths

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Council Owned Land

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Report for Rights of Way Committee

27th March 2017

TITLE OF REPORT: Public Path Creation Agreement Keelman's Way, Ryton, Gateshead

REPORT OF: Director of Communities and Environment

Summary

This report to Committee sets out the current position with regard to negotiations that have taken place with a landowner to enter into a creation agreement to upgrade the status of Footpath Ryton 76 to Bridleway at Ryton Golf Club, Ryton, Gateshead.

Purpose of the report

- 1) To report upon the securing of a creation agreement under Section 25 of the Highways Act 1980 to enable part of Footpath Ryton 76 to be upgraded to Bridleway which has been made possible by the landowners agreeing to dedicate a strip of land at Ryton Golf Club, Ryton, Gateshead shown as a dotted line from Point A to Point B, on the plan at Appendix 2 to this report.

Background

- 2) The creation agreement will enable part of Footpath Ryton 76 to be upgraded from footpath to bridleway.
- 3) The landowner has no objections to the upgrading of part of Footpath Ryton 76 on their land.
- 4) The reason for upgrading part of Footpath Ryton 76 is that it forms part of the Keelman's Way and the agreement is to formalise the use of this section by walkers, horse riders and cyclists.

Proposals

- 6) The terms of the proposed draft creation agreement are:-
 - a) To upgrade to bridleway a part of Footpath Ryton 76, which is part of the Keelman's Way, located on Ryton Golf Course, a distance of approximately 411metres as shown by a dotted line from Point A to Point B on the plan at Appendix 2 to this report.

- b) There are no works required to facilitate this upgrade.
- c) If Members are minded to grant approval for the Council to enter into a creation agreement to upgrade to bridleway this part of Footpath Ryton 76, then the Council will be responsible for the maintenance of that bridleway.
- d) The landowners in this case have waived their right to claim any compensation in the agreement.

Legislation

- 7) Section 25(1) of the Highways Act 1980 enables a local authority to enter into a public path creation agreement with 'any person having the necessary power in that behalf for the dedication by that person of a footpath, bridleway or restricted bridleway over land in their area'.
- 8) Section 25(3) of the Highways Act 1980 requires consultation with any other local authority in whose area the land is concerned before an agreement is entered into. There are no other local authorities whose area will be affected with the proposed creation agreement.
- 9) Section 25(6) of the Highways Act 1980 requires as soon as the dedication of the footpath takes place via the public path creation agreement, notice of the dedication needs to be given in at least one local newspaper circulating in the area in which the land to which the agreement relates.
- 10) Section 29 of the Highways Act 1980 places a duty on local authorities to have regard to agriculture and forestry, and the desirability of conserving flora, fauna and geological and physiographical features. There are no such potential implications in this matter.

Consultation

- 11) Consultation is not statutorily prescribed with a public path creation agreement only local authorities within the area are required to be notified. However, consultation letters have been sent out regarding a review of the whole of the Keelman's Way, which includes section upgrades from footpath to bridleway where necessary, to representatives of 6 local user groups, The British Horse Society, Chopwell Wood Horse Riders Association, Cycling UK, Gateshead Ramblers, Ryton Pathfinders and The Local Access Forum with 3 replies received from Ryton Pathfinders, The British Horse Society, and Cycling UK. Of the 3 replies received there are no objections. The consultation has been sent out so as to cover a review of the whole of the Keelmans Way. The relevant Ward members, whose Wards are affected have been sent copies of the consultation letter.

Recommendation

The Rights of Way Committee approves:

- (i) That a public path creation agreement is entered into to upgrade to bridleway part of footpath Ryton 76 as shown with a black dotted line from Point A to Point B at Ryton Golf Club on the plan at Appendix 2 to this report.

Grant delegated authority to the Strategic Director of Corporate Services and Governance to undertake to complete the public path creation agreement to:

- (ii) Upgrade to bridleway part of footpath Ryton 76 as shown with a black dotted line from Point A to Point B at Ryton Golf Course on the plan at Appendix 2 to this report.

If the Committee recommends that such action should be taken, it is requested that the Strategic Director of Legal & Corporate Services is authorised to undertake to complete the public path creation agreement to upgrade to bridleway the part of Footpath Ryton 76 as shown on the plan at Appendix 2 to the report.

Contact: Rob Hindhaugh

Ext. 3094

APPENDIX 1

1 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The cost of making and advertising the creation agreement will be covered by existing budgets.

2 RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

None

3 HUMAN RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS

Staff from Legal, Democratic and Property in conjunction with the Public Rights of Way Officer, will carry out the processing of the Creation Agreement.

4 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

None

5 CRIME & DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

None

6 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

None

7 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

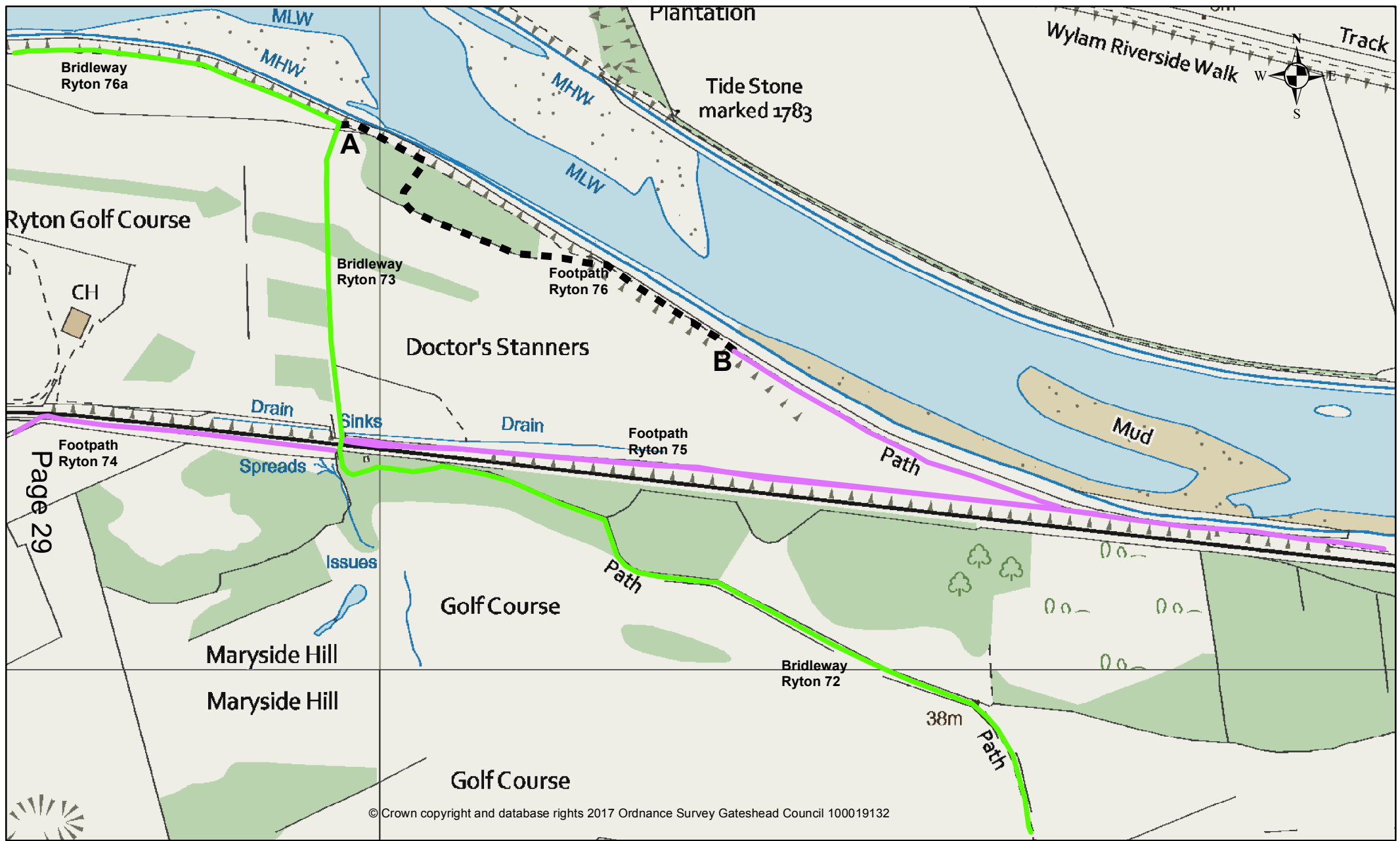
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8 WARD IMPLICATIONS

Crawcrook and Greenside

9 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

None



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Plan of Upgrade to Bridleway of Part of Footpath Ryton 76 Ryton Golf Course, Gateshead

Part of Footpath Ryton 76 to be upgraded
to Bridleway A - B



Other Gateshead
Footpaths



Other Gateshead
Bridleways



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**REPORT TO RIGHTS OF WAY
COMMITTEE**
27th March 2017

TITLE OF REPORT: Progress of Rights of Way Matters

REPORT OF: Strategic Director, Corporate Services and
Governance and Strategic Director, Communities and
Environment

Purpose of the Report

1. To update Committee on the progress of Rights of Way cases, plus the principle works carried out on the network between November 2016 and March 2017.

Background

2. The rights of way matters and completed matters are set out in Appendix 2.

Recommendations

3. It is recommended that the Committee note the report and the updates highlighted in bold.

Contact: Jennifer Bradley extension 2219 and Rob Hindhaugh extension 3094

1. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

2. RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Nil

3. HUMAN RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS

Nil

4. EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

5. CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

Nil

6. SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

7. HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

Nil

8. WARD IMPLICATIONS

Chopwell and Rowlands Gill, Blaydon, Ryton Crookhill and Stella, Whickham North, Birtley, Lamesley, Crawcrook and Greenside, Dunston Hill and Whickham South and Sunnyside, Winlaton and High Spen

9. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Nil

APPENDIX 2

Item No	Case	Ward	Application/ Proposal	Progress/Action
1	North View	Winlaton & High Spen	Definitive Map Modification Order	The order has been made but objections have been received. The Order will need to be sent to the Secretary of State for confirmation.
2	Application to add a bridleway between RB 44 and Derwent Walk.	Whickham North, Blaydon	Definitive Map Modification Order	The definitive map modification order has been drafted and will be advertised in due course.
3	Claim at Thomas Street Eighton Banks Right of Way 62	Lamesley	Definitive Map Modification Order	The order has been made but objections have been received. The Order will need to be sent to the Secretary of State for confirmation.
4	Definitive Map	-----	To bring the definitive map and statements into line with the orders and ensure that they are up to date are reviewed and meet the statutory requirements.	Upon review of the definitive maps for Gateshead by the Legal and Rights of Way officers, it is apparent that there is no map for the excluded area being Gateshead central area and the other definitive maps need to be brought up to date in light of legal events that have occurred. A blank map and statement for the excluded area is now produced and each right of way is being added to it via a definitive map modification order. At the same time a legal event modification order is being drafted to bring the current maps up to date. Once all this work has been completed the maps will be consolidated to produce a single map of definitive rights of way for the Gateshead area. There is now a working copy definitive map on the Council's website.
5	Bridleway 35 Northside Birtley	Birtley	Creation and Extinguishment Orders	Committee approved the recommendation on the 24 th October 2008 to make a creation and extinguishment order. A creation order was made by the Council on the 19 th August 2014. The objection period came to an end on the 19 th September 2014. One objection was received to the Order, which was subsequently withdrawn. The works to install the bridleway could not be completed until a survey was conducted of a nearby pond to establish amphibious species and their hibernation areas. The survey revealed that there are no great crested newts in the nearby pond. The creation order was confirmed and came into operation on the 15 th December 2015. The Extinguishment Order will be progressed in due course.
6	Claim for a Footpath at Sherburn Towers, Rowlands Gill	Rowlands Gill, Blaydon	Definitive Map Modification Order	An application was received on the 18 th August 2015 to record a footpath onto the definitive map and statement at Sherburn Towers, Rowlands Gill, which was approved by committee on 18 th March 2016. The order was made on the 9 th June 2016 and the objection period for that order expired on 3 rd August 2016. One objection was received to the order, which was not withdrawn and the Order will be sent to Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs for confirmation in the next few months.
7	Extinguishment of Footpaths 14 and 15 at Bill Quay	Felling	Extinguishment Order	Committee approved the making of the extinguishment order on 18 th March 2016. The order was made on 26 th April 2016 and the objection period came to an end on 3 rd June 2016. There were still some objections outstanding to this order so the order was sent to the Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and now awaiting their

				decision.
8	Public Path Creation Order Bridleway Felling 50 at Bill Quay	Felling	Public Path Creation Order	Committee approved the making of the order on the 27 th March 2015. The order was advertised on the 8 th November 2016 and the objection period came to an end on the 16 th December 2016. Three comments were received, one comment in favour of the order and two objections. One objection has been withdrawn and one objection remains outstanding. The Council is currently trying to contact the remaining objector to see if they will be withdrawing their objection, if not, or if no contact can be established, the order will be sent to Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs.

PRINCIPAL WORKS CARRIED OUT ON THE RIGHTS OF WAY NETWORK – November 2016 – March 2017

December 2016	Footpath Lamesley 13 at Burdon Moor	Boardwalk constructed over marshland which was previously impassable.
February 2017	Footpath Blaydon 33, part of Red Kite Trail, Victoria Garesfield	Revetment works to prevent further erosion and possible loss of a section of footpath.
February 2017	Footpath Blaydon 19, Blackhall Mill,	Major drainage works to alleviate flooding issues.