# RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE AGENDA

### Monday, 18 March 2019 at 4.30 pm in the Bridges Room - Civic Centre

From t	m the Chief Executive, Sheena Ramsey					
Item	Business					
1	Apologies for Absence					
2	Minutes (Pages 3 - 4)					
	The committee is asked to approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on 16 July 2018.					
3	Progress on Rights of Way Matters (Pages 5 - 8)					
	Report of the Strategic Director, Corporate Services and Governance and the Strategic Director, Communities and Environment					

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#### GATESHEAD METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

#### **RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE MEETING**

Monday, 16 July 2018

PRESENT: Councillor K Wood (Chair)

Councillor(s): C Bradley, D Bradford, A Geddes and M Ord

**APOLOGIES:** Councillor(s): S Dickie

RW24 CONSTITUTION

RESOLVED - That the constitution of the Committee for the 2018 / 2019

Municipal Year be noted.

**RW25 MINUTES** 

RESOLVED - That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 6 November

2017 be agreed as a correct record and signed by the

Chair.

RW26 THE GATESHEAD DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT OF PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

The Committee were updated on the work which has been undertaken to update and consolidate the definitive maps of public rights of way and statements for Gateshead.

In accordance with approval by the Rights of Way Committee on 23 October 2009 a map and statement for the former excluded area of central Gateshead has been incorporated into the Definitive map and statement for Gateshead Rights of Way.

A Legal Event Modification Order, with a relevant date for the order being 8 March 2018 was made on 13 June 2018 incorporating all the completed legal events to that date.

The Legal Event Modification Order was made under section 53(2)(a) and section 53(2)(b) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981has recorded all the legal events that have occurred since the previous definitive map was produced in 1965 and 1967 up to date.

The production of a map and statement for the former excluded area and the making of a Legal Event Modification Order to record all outstanding events on the definitive map and statement have now been completed, the Council were able to produce in

accordance with section 57A of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, a new consolidated definitive map and statement on 31 May 2018. This will now replace the previous definitive rights of way in Gateshead. Notice of the consolidation of the new definitive maps and statement were advertised in the press and on the Council's website on the Friday 6 July 2018.

Any changes to the definitive map due to orders made after 31 May 2018 can be viewed on the online working copy of the definitive map on Gateshead Council's website. When further changes are made to the definitive map and statements for Gateshead, then the definitive map and statement will need to be reviewed and updated by way of a further Legal Event Modification Order.

RESOLVED - That the contents of the report be noted.

#### RW27 PROGRESS ON RIGHTS OF WAY MATTERS

The Committee were updated with regards to Legal Matters and to Principal Works carried out between November 2017 and July 2018.

Principal Works include work at:

- Beggars Wood, Whickham Bridleway
- Derwent Riverside, Swalwell Footpath
- Bowes, Birtley Bridleway
- Keelmans Way, Ryton
- Clematis Crescent, Eighton Banks
- Derwent Cycle Route, Swalwell
- Hurrocks Allotments, Swalwell
- Bowes at Rear of Whitemere School, Felling
- Woodhouse Lane, Fellside Whickham, Northern and Southern Sections.

RESOLVED - That the information contained within the report be noted.

Chair.	 	 	 	 	



# REPORT TO RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE 18th MARCH 2019

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 July 2018 and March 2019.

#### **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.

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#### 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, Lamesley, Crawcrook and Greenside, Dunston Hill and Whickham South and Sunniside, 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 the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs. This is being prepared to be submitted in due course.
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 waiting for instruction to advertise it.
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 papers have been prepared and the Order will be sent to the Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs for confirmation in due course.
4 Page	Claim for a Footpath at Sherburn Towers, Rowlands Gill	Rowlands Gill, Blaydon	Definitive Map Modification Order	An application was received on the 18 <sup>th</sup> August 2015 to record a footpath onto the definitive map and statement at Sherburn Towers, Rowlands Gill, which was approved by committee on 18 <sup>th</sup> March 2016. The order was made on the 9 <sup>th</sup> June 2016 and the objection period for that order expired on 3 <sup>rd</sup> August 2016. One objection was received to the order, which was not withdrawn. The papers have been prepared and the order were sent to Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2018. We are now waiting for a start date for the determination of the order.
e 7	Creation Agreement for Footpath Ryton 120	Ryton	Public Path Creation Agreement	Committee approved the making of a public path creation agreement on 12 <sup>th</sup> October 2012. The draft agreement was sent to the landowner's agent on the 31 October 2017 but they have indicated that they will not be responding until opportunities for the land to the south of the development site are considered.

## PRINCIPAL WORKS CARRIED OUT ON THE RIGHTS OF WAY NETWORK – July 2018 and Feb 2019

July 2018	Kibblesworth, Lamsley 35.	Replacement revetment.
July 2018	Coalburns, Ryton Footpath 10.	Barrier replaced.
October 2018	Keelmans Way, Blaydon 76	Surfacing improvements and erection of railing.
February 2019	Derwent Country Park Access, Rowlands Gill. Blaydon 85	Replacement fencing and access improvements.
February 2019	Blaydon Burn, Blaydon bridleway 25	Surface and drainage improvements.
February 2019	Watergate Park, Gateshead Bridleway 10	Surface and drainage improvements