

GATESHEAD METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, 20 March 2023

PRESENT: Councillor K Wood (Chair)
Councillor(s): M Ord, J Simpson and A Wintcher

APOLOGIES: Councillor(s): S Dickie, D Bradford and A Geddes

RW57 MINUTES

RESOLVED - That the minutes of the meeting held on 21 November 2022 be approved as a correct record.

RW58 PROGRESS ON RIGHTS OF WAY MATTERS

The Committee received a report and presentation providing an update on the following:

Current legal matters – three matters need to be progressed and advice will be sought from the Secretary of State whether a new consultation is required or if the evidence can be submitted to the Secretary of State and orders confirmed where appropriate.

Other legal items are progressing and waiting for objection periods to end in order that orders can be made or if objections received are not withdrawn items will be sent to the secretary of state for decision.

Principal Works have been progressed on the Rights of Way Network as per the following:

- Lamesley 35 – Bridge works,
- Felling 51 – tree root damage repairs and tree maintenance
- Whickham 215 – fence line installed at land slide site
- Ryton 28 Woodside – Replace stile and barbwire, worked with landowner as having issues with dog walkers
- Lamesley 72 and 19 – Installation of access restrictions
- Lamesley 69 and 48 – Installation of new fence line and access restrictions – waiting for a new vehicle access gate to complete works
- Keelmans Way – replacement of fire damaged gate and revetment and replacement of damaged fence line
- Lamesley 69 – Resurfacing of bridleway and access paths, replace timber runners to assist drainage and removal of access restrictions
- Keelmans Way – work to be completed by the end of March. It was planned

to open on 24 March, it is expected that it will be 31 March.

Further planned works to be undertaken by end of March 2023:

- Lamesley 72 – Section 6, 7 and 8 at Kibblesworth
- Lamesley 69 – Section 3 at Wrekenton
- Ryton 33 & 35 – Crawcrook
- Gateshead 1 – Harlow Green
- Lamesley 57 – Rockcliffe Way, Eighton Banks

The Committee were advised that there continue to be ongoing motorcycle and ASB issues on the Rights of Way Network.

RESOLVED - That the information presented be noted.

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