

GATESHEAD METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, 22 March 2021

PRESENT: Councillor K Wood (Chair)
Councillor(s): S Dickie, A Geddes, M Ord, J Simpson and A Wheeler

IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor(s):

APOLOGIES: Councillor(s): D Bradford

RW37 MINUTES

RESOLVED - That the minutes of the meeting held on 16 November 2020 be approved as a correct record.

RW38 APPLICATION FOR A DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION ORDER TO UPGRADE THE STATUS OF PUBLIC FOOTPATH RY/27 AND RY/21 TO BRIDLEWAY

The Committee received a report on an Application for a Definitive Map Modification Order to upgrade the status of public footpath RY27 and RY21 to Bridleway.

RESOLVED - (i) That the making of a definitive map modification order to add the claimed bridleway at Cushy Cow Lane, Ryton, Gateshead on the current alignment of the footpath as show with a line from point A to point B on the plan at the appendix to the minute onto the Definitive Map and Statement of Public Rights of Way be approved.

(ii) That delegated authority be granted to the Strategic Director of Corporate Services and Governance to undertake to consult statutory consultees and make a definitive map and modification order to upgrade the current footpaths to a bridleway at Cushy Cow Lane as shown from point A to point B on the plan at the appendix to the minute and if no objections are received to confirm the order or if objections are received and not subsequently withdrawn, to send the order to the Secretary of State for confirmation as an opposed order.

RW39 PROGRESS ON RIGHTS OF WAY MATTERS

The Committee were provided with an update regarding Rights of Way matters. The

Committee were advised that there has been no changes with regards to the legal matters since the last Committee.

Work has been carried out across the Rights of Way Network to make improvements/repairs to paths and bridleways including the following.

B6317, Main Street, Crawcrook - Ryton 65
Stargate Roundabout, A695 - Blaydon 83
'Dilly Line' Greenside - Ryton 103
A693, Watergate Bank, Whickham - Whickham 91
Keelman's Way, Ryton.- Ryton 75
St Cuthbert's Road, Marley Hill - Whickham 99
Wellington Road, Dunston.- Whickham 4
A695, Crawcrook - Ryton 49
Keelman's Way, Clara Vale.- Ryton 75
Birkland Lane, Kibblesworth.- Lamesley 72
Barlow Lane, Greenside.- Ryton 103

The Committee were advised of the current situation at the Clara Vale / Keelmans Way landslide, it was noted that despite warning notices and fencing people were still using the path which is temporarily closed under a temporary traffic order. There is concern that the path is quite dangerous especially for those with dogs or small children. The path is not on land owned by the Council and there is a railway line to the other side, discussions are ongoing with the landowners and stakeholders and the situation will be kept under review. The Committee will be updated on any new developments as they arise.

RESOLVED - That the information presented be noted.

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