



**Dorset
Council**

**Notice of Confirmation of a Public Path Diversion
and
Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order**

**Highways Act 1980
Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981**

**Dorset County Council (Footpath 16, Melcombe Horsey and
Footpath 26, Cheselbourne) Public Path Diversion Order 2014**

On 13 February 2024, an Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs confirmed the above named order, made under Section 119 of the Highways Act 1980 and the Council has certified that work has been carried out to bring the site of the new highway mentioned in article 3 of the order into a fit condition for use by the public.

The effect of the order as confirmed is to divert the public footpaths in the parishes of Melcombe Horsey and Cheselbourne as shown on the order map as follows:

From the existing paths:

Footpath 16, Melcombe Horsey

From its junction with Footpath 25, Cheselbourne at the parish boundary at ST 75150123 north north east then north west on the western and south western sides of the eastern and north eastern field boundary, then south west on the south eastern side of the north western field boundary to the parish boundary and continuing north north west into the next field, on the north eastern side of the south western field boundary, parallel with the parish boundary, then crossing west south west into the next field to its junction with Footpath 26, Cheselbourne, south east of Highdon House at ST 74770146. Width: 1.5 metres.

Footpath 26, Cheselbourne

From its junction with Footpath 16, Melcombe Horsey at the parish boundary, south east of Highdon House at ST 74770146, south into a field, then west south west, on the southern side of the northern field boundary, to the south western corner of the field, continuing south south east then west to its junction with Bridleway 19, north north east of Nettlecombe Farm at ST 74530137. Width: 1.5 metres.

To the new path:

Footpath 26, Cheselbourne

From its junction with Footpath 25 at the parish boundary, south east of Highdon House at ST 75150123, west south west on the southern side of the northern field boundary, parallel with the parish boundary for 210 metres, and continuing west south west along the field edge to its junction with Bridleway 19, south south east of Nettlecombe Farm at ST 74560111. Width: 2 metres.

A copy of the order as confirmed and the order map have been placed and may be seen free of charge at Reception, County Hall, Colliton Park, Dorchester during normal office hours. Copies are also available on our website at www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/row-orders.

The order comes into force on 20 February 2024 but if any person aggrieved by the order wants to question its validity, or that of any provision contained in it, on the ground that it is not within the powers of the Highways Act 1980, as amended, or on the ground that any requirement of the Act, as amended, or of any regulation made under the Act has not been complied with in relation to the order, he or she may, under paragraph 2 of Schedule 2 to the Act as applied by paragraph 5 of Schedule 6 to the Act, within six weeks from 16 May 2024, make an application to the High Court.

Dated: 16 May 2024
Jonathan Mair, Monitoring Officer