

T533 – Objections to the order

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Dear Mrs Penny

**RW/T533 - Part of Footpath 30, Church Knowle at Charmswell
Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order**

I write on behalf of the Scott Estate with regards to the above Modification Order 25th October 2019.

The Scott Estate is responsible for the reservoir immediately to the north of the proposed footpath modification and indicated edged in red on the enclosed plan.

This water supply is the only source of clean drinking water to 20 households and serves an area of approximately 2.5km. Mains water is not available.

The proposed modification of footpath 30 alters the route of the footpath so that the proposed new route runs directly between the source of the spring and the Estate's water treatment facility. The existing route of footpath 30 runs above the spring head and consequently above the water treatment facility.

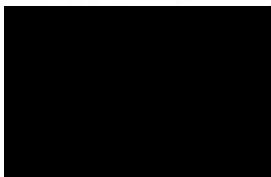
This is a matter of major concern to the Scott Estate for two reasons:-

1. The new route will enable public access to the treatment facility (increasing the potential for break-ins and theft).
2. It significantly increases the possibility of the water supply being contaminated by dogs and people as they will now be within the immediate proximity of the spring. Creating a liability to the Estate where, with the footpath on its existing route, the risk is minimal.

As a result the Estate wishes to object to this proposed modification.

If you require any further details or information do not hesitate contact me.

Yours sincerely

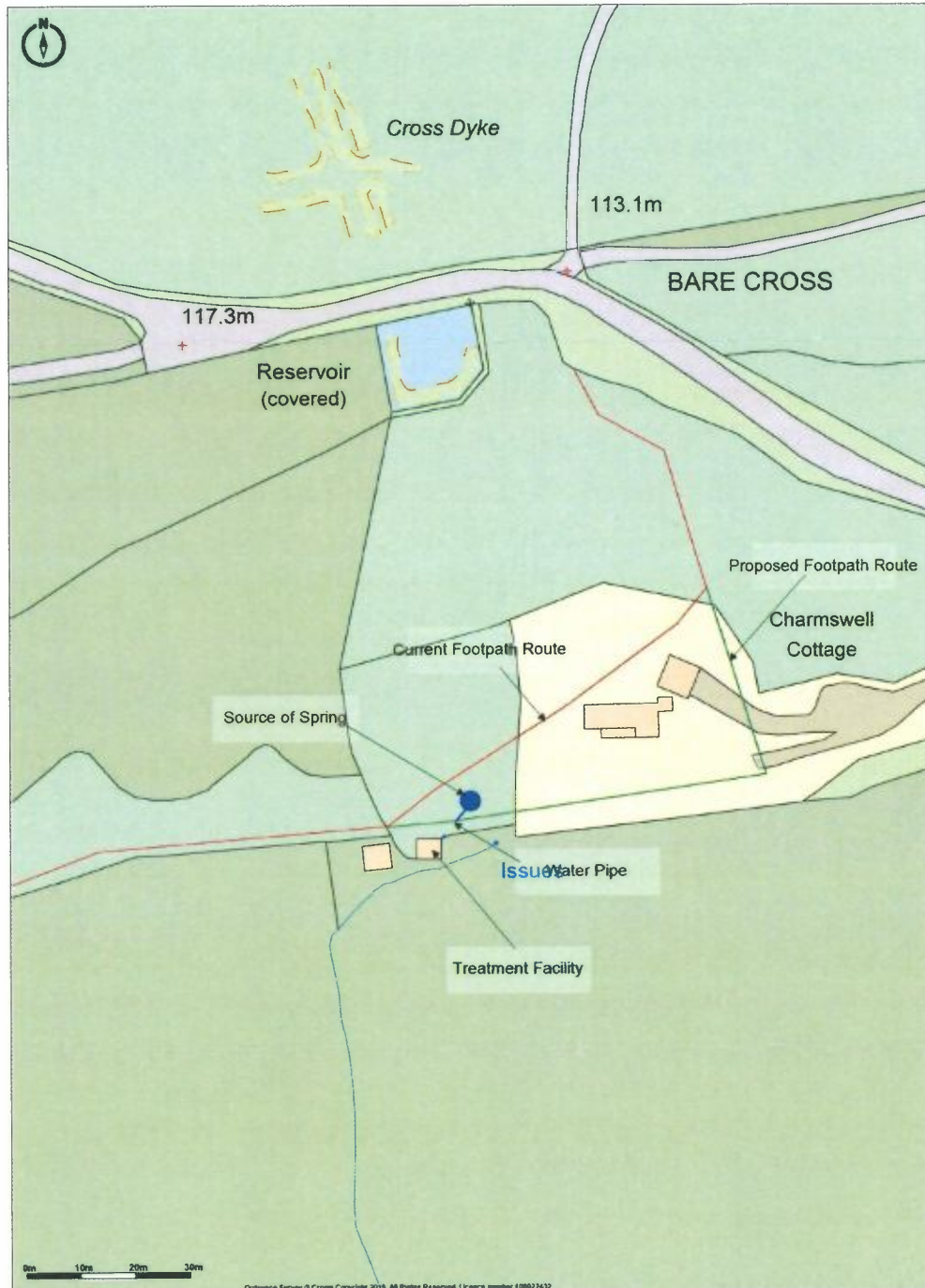


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Scott Estate - Cucknowle Reservoir



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Sunday 8th December 2019

Dear Ms Penny,

Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981
Dorset Council (Part of Footpath 30, Church Knowle at Charmswell)
Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order 2019
Dated 25th October 2019

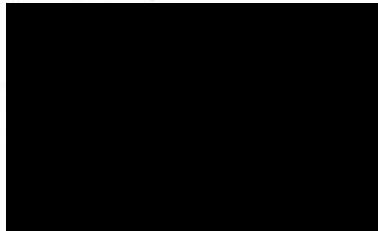
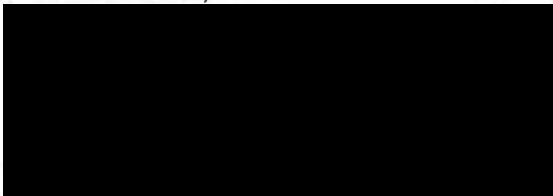
We write to advise you that we object to the above order on the following grounds:

- 1) The Council Report considering the evidence, put before the County Council Regulatory Committee on 6 December 2018 at County Hall, Dorchester was biased and did not give a balanced representation of the evidence available at the time.
- 2) The route described in the modification order is not, on the balance of probabilities, the most likely correct route of the way with public rights.

We respectfully request that the Council take notice of this objection and refer the matter to the Secretary of State for the Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs for determination as an opposed order.

We would be very grateful if you would advise us of the likely timescale for the referral.

Yours Sincerely



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