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Your Ref: RLB/E0199
Our Ref: ROW/3289783

30 March 2023

Dear Ms Rebecca Buck,

Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 - Section 53

Order Making Authority: Dorset Council

Title of Order: (Upgrading of Bridleway 9, Winfrith Newburgh & Part of Bridleway 5, Coombe Keynes (Claypits Lane) to Restricted Byways) DMMO 2011

Thank you for your letter of 21 December 2021 submitting the above mentioned Order to the Secretary of State for confirmation.

An examination of the Order and submitted documents has been carried out and I can confirm that we have everything required for us to proceed. In accordance with the provisions of the above Act (Paragraph 10 of Schedule 15 to the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981); the Order falls to be determined by an Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State.

A letter has been sent to the objectors/representors and applicant seeking their agreement to adopt the written representations procedure for the determination of the above-mentioned Order. Similarly, I would appreciate your confirmation by 13 April 2023 that your Council would also be content to adopt the written representations procedure.

By agreeing to this procedure, all parties will be expected to abide by the Inspectorate's procedure for written representations, which can be found at Annex B of our booklet *Guidance on procedures for considering objections to Definitive Map and Public Path Orders in England*. The procedure, which is also summarised in section 2 of the booklet, sets out the timetable for the submission of statements of case. Before agreeing to written representations, we ask all parties to ensure that they are familiar with the procedure and the timetable. Our booklet is online at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/rights-of-way-guidance-booklet>. Please let me know if your Council requires a further hard copy of this publication.

If no reply is received by the above mentioned date, it will be assumed that you are content to adopt the written representations procedure.

Yours sincerely,

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