

Dr Janet Davis Area Countryside Secretary Dorset Area Ramblers



Dear Sir or Madam,

THE PUDDLETOWN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – SUBMISSION CONSULTATION

Thank you for consulting the Ramblers on the Puddletown Neighbourhood Plan. This is a response to that plan on behalf of the Ramblers Dorset Area.

The Ramblers works to help everyone enjoy the pleasures and benefits of walking, and to enhance and protect the places where people walk. As walkers and users of the countryside, we understand the importance of our environment for the health and wellbeing of all. We are committed to encouraging and supporting walking, protecting and expanding public rights of way and access land, and protecting the beauty of the countryside and other areas.

The Ramblers commends the Puddletown Neighbourhood Plan as submitted for examination, in particular for its very positive policies intended to protect and enhance local green spaces (Policy 1), protect wildlife and natural habitats (Policy 6), protect European and internationally protected sites (Policy 7), and its desire to create safer roads and pedestrian/cycle routes (Policy 15).

We especially welcome the measures set out in Table 8 (Traffic Management Proposals) and the recognition that the provision of new footpaths and bridleways should be part of any traffic management regime. The Ramblers would welcome the opportunity to work with the Puddletown Area Parish Council as it takes these initiatives forward.

Yours sincerely

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