



**Dorset  
Council**

**Public Path Diversion  
and  
Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order**

**Town and Country Planning Act 1990, Section 257  
Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, Section 53A(2)**

**Dorset Council (Footpath 33 (part) and Footpath 78, Gillingham)  
Public Path Diversion Order 2025**

This Order is made by Dorset Council ("the authority") under section 257 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 ("the 1990 Act") because it is satisfied that it is necessary to divert the footpath to which this Order relates in order to enable development to be carried out in accordance with planning permission granted under Part III of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 namely: develop land by the construction of an urban extension to the south of Gillingham between Shaftesbury Road (B3081) and New Road (B3092). The urban extension would comprise of up to 961 dwellings, up to 2,642 sq.m in a new local centre providing retail, community, health, and leisure uses, new and enhanced pedestrian/cycle routes, open spaces, roads, car parking and vehicular access. To include all ancillary works and associated infrastructure. (2/2018/0036/OUT)

This Order is also made under section 53A(2) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 ("the 1981 Act") because it appears to the authority that the County of Dorset definitive map and statement require modification in consequence of the occurrence of an event specified in section 53(3)(a)(i) of the 1981 Act, namely, the diversion (as authorised by this Order) of a highway hitherto shown or required to be shown in the map and statement.

**BY THIS ORDER:**

1. The footpaths over the land shown by a bold black line on the attached map and described in Part 1 of the Schedule to this Order ("the Schedule") shall be diverted and the County of Dorset definitive map and statement shall be modified as provided below.
2. There shall be created to the reasonable satisfaction of Dorset Council alternative highways for use as a replacement for the said footpaths as provided in Part 2 of the Schedule and shown by bold black dashes on the attached map.
3. The diversion of the footpaths shall have effect on the date on which Dorset Council certify that the terms of Article 2 above have been complied with, and upon the occurrence of that diversion the County of Dorset definitive map shall be modified by deleting from it the paths or ways referred to in Article 1 of this Order and the paths or ways referred to in Article 2 of this Order shall be added to it, and the definitive statement shall be modified as described in Part 3 of the Schedule.
4. The following works shall be carried out in relation to the highways described in Part 2 of the Schedule:

- Construction of tarmac/paved path between point A (ST 8184 2506) point E (ST 8176 2508) point F (ST 8179 2523) point G (ST 8180 2524) point H (ST 8180 2527) point B (ST 8179 2534) point I (ST 8178 2538) point J (ST 8178 2540) point K (ST 8178 2542) and point C (ST 8177 2543) Width 1.8m from point A (ST 8184 2506) to Point G (ST 8180 2524). 3.0m from Point G (ST 8180 2524) to Point C (ST 8177 2543).
  - Construction of a tarmac/paved path between point G (ST 8180 2524) point L (ST 8188 2524) point M (ST 8196 2526) point N (ST 8201 2516) and point D (ST 8204 2514). Width 3.0m.
  - Construction of a tarmac/paved path between point A (ST 8184 2506) point O (ST 8186 2506) point P (ST 8188 2508) and point N (ST 8201 2516). Width 1.8m.
5. Redrow Homes Limited is hereby required to pay for the cost of carrying out the said works.
6. Where immediately before the date on which the footpaths are diverted there is apparatus under, in, on, over, along or across it belonging to statutory undertakers for the purpose of carrying out their undertaking, the undertakers shall continue to have the same rights in respect of the apparatus as they then had.

## SCHEDULE

(The points specified relate to the map attached to the Order and their positions are identified by national grid references)

### Part 1

#### Description of site of existing paths

##### Footpath 33, Gillingham:

A-B-C The full width of the footpath from the unaffected part of Footpath 33 at point A (ST 8184 2506) generally north, north west and north west to point B (ST 8179 2534), then generally north, north west to the unaffected part of Footpath 33 at point C (ST 8177 2543) (the path width is 1.5m)

##### Footpath 78, Gillingham:

B - D The full width of the footpath from point B (ST 8179 2534) generally south east to point D (ST 8204 2514). (No recorded width)

### Part 2

#### Description of site of alternative highways

##### Footpath 33, Gillingham:

A - E - F From the unaffected part of Footpath 33 at point A (ST 8184 2506) running  
- G - H - generally west for approx. 87 metres to point E (ST 8176 2508) then north,  
B - I - J - north east then north for approx. 160 metres to point F (ST 8179 2523) then  
K - C north east for approx. 16 metres to point G (ST 8180 2524) then north for  
approx. 25 metres to point H (ST 8180 2527) then north west and north for  
approx. 77 metres to point B (ST 8179 2534) then north, north east for  
approx. 28 metres to point I (ST 8178 2538) then north west for approx. 22  
metres to point J (ST 8178 2540) then north, north east for approx. 19 metres  
to point K (ST 8178 2542) then north west for approx. 17 metres to rejoin the  
unaffected part of Footpath 33 at point C (ST 8177 2543). Width - 1.8 metres  
A - E - F - G. 3.0 metres G - H - B - I - J - K - C.

##### Footpath 78, Gillingham:

G - L - M From its junction with Footpath 33 at point G (ST 8180 2524) generally east  
- N - D for approx. 83 metres to point L (ST 8188 2524) then north east for approx. 80  
metres to point M (ST 8196 2526) then south, south east for approx. 114  
metres to point N (ST 8201 2516) then south east for approx. 32 metres to  
point D (ST 8204 2514) on Cole Street Lane. Width 3 metres.

Footpath 98, Gillingham (new footpath):

A – O – P From its junction with Footpath 33 at point A (ST 8184 2506) generally east  
– N for approx. 22 metres to point O (ST 8186 2506) then north east for approx.  
26 metres to point P (ST 8188 2508) then north east for approx. 153 metres  
to its junction with Footpath 78 at point N (ST 8201 2516). Width 1.8 metres.

**Part 3**

**Modification of Definitive Statement**

**Variation of particulars of paths**

Footpath 33, Gillingham:

**Delete:**

From: 818250 To: 815260

Cole Street Lane in a generally northerly direction to approx GR 81692565, running in a north north easterly direction for approx 55 metres, then in a north easterly direction for approx 50 metres to approx GR 81682571, then in a north westerly direction for approx 70 metres to approx GR 81642576, then in a generally northerly direction for approx 15 metres to approx GR 81632578, then in a westerly direction for approx 50 metres to approx GR 81602578, then in a generally northerly direction for approx 75 metres to approx GR 81602584, then in a north easterly direction for approx 35 metres, then in a generally northerly direction for approx 40 metres to approx GR 81612591, then in a north westerly direction for approx 45 metres, then in a northerly direction for approx 30 metres to approx GR 81572596 continuing generally northerly to county road. The path has a width of 1.5 metres

**Add:**

From: 818250 To: 815260

Cole Street Lane north to ST 8184 2506 running generally west for approx. 87 metres to ST 8176 2508 then north, north east then north for approx. 160 metres to ST 8179 2523 then north east for approx. 16 metres to ST 8180 2524 then north for approx. 25 metres to ST 8180 2527 then north west and north for approx. 77 metres to ST 8179 2534 then north, north east for approx. 28 metres to ST 8178 2538 then north west for approx. 22 metres to ST 8178 2540 then north, north east for approx. 19 metres to ST 8178 2542 then north west for approx. 17 metres to ST 8177 2543 then in a northerly direction to approx. ST 8169 2565, running in a north, north easterly direction for approx 55 metres, then in a north easterly direction for approx 50 metres to approx. ST 8168 2571, then in a north westerly direction for approx 70 metres to approx. ST 8164 2576, then in a generally northerly direction for approx 15 metres to approx. ST 8163 2578, then in a westerly direction for approx 50 metres to approx. ST 8160 2578, then in a generally northerly direction for approx 75 metres to approx. ST 8160 2584, then in a north easterly direction for approx 35 metres, then in a generally northerly direction for approx 40 metres to approx. ST 8161 2591, then in a north westerly direction for approx 45 metres, then in a northerly direction for approx 30 metres to approx. ST 8157 2596 continuing generally northerly to county road. The path has a width of 1.5 metres from Cole Street Lane to ST 8184 2506 then 1.8 metres from ST 8184 2506 to ST 8180 2524 on a paved/tarmac surface, 3.0 metres from ST 8180 2524 to ST 8177 2543 on a paved/tarmac surface and 1.5 metres from ST 8177 2543 to county road.

Footpath 78, Gillingham:

**Delete:**

From: 820251 To: 817253  
Path No 33 near Ham Farm south east to the county road

**Add:**

From: ST81802524 To: ST80242514  
From its junction with Footpath 33 at ST 8180 2524 generally east on a paved/tarmac surface for approx. 83 metres to ST 8188 2524 then north east for approx. 80 metres to ST 8196 2526 then south, south east for approx. 114 metres to ST 8201 2516 then south east for approx. 32 metres to ST 8204 2514 on Cole Street Lane. Width 3 metres.

Footpath 98, Gillingham:

**Add:**

From: ST81842506 To: ST82012516  
From its junction with Footpath 33 at ST 8184 2506 generally east on a paved/tarmac surface for approx. 22 metres to ST 8186 2506 then north east for approx. 26 metres to ST 8188 2508 then north east for approx. 153 metres to its junction with Footpath 78 at ST 8201 2516 Width 1.8 metres.

Dated this 19<sup>th</sup> day of DECEMBER 2025

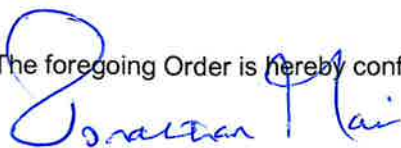
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DORSET COUNCIL  
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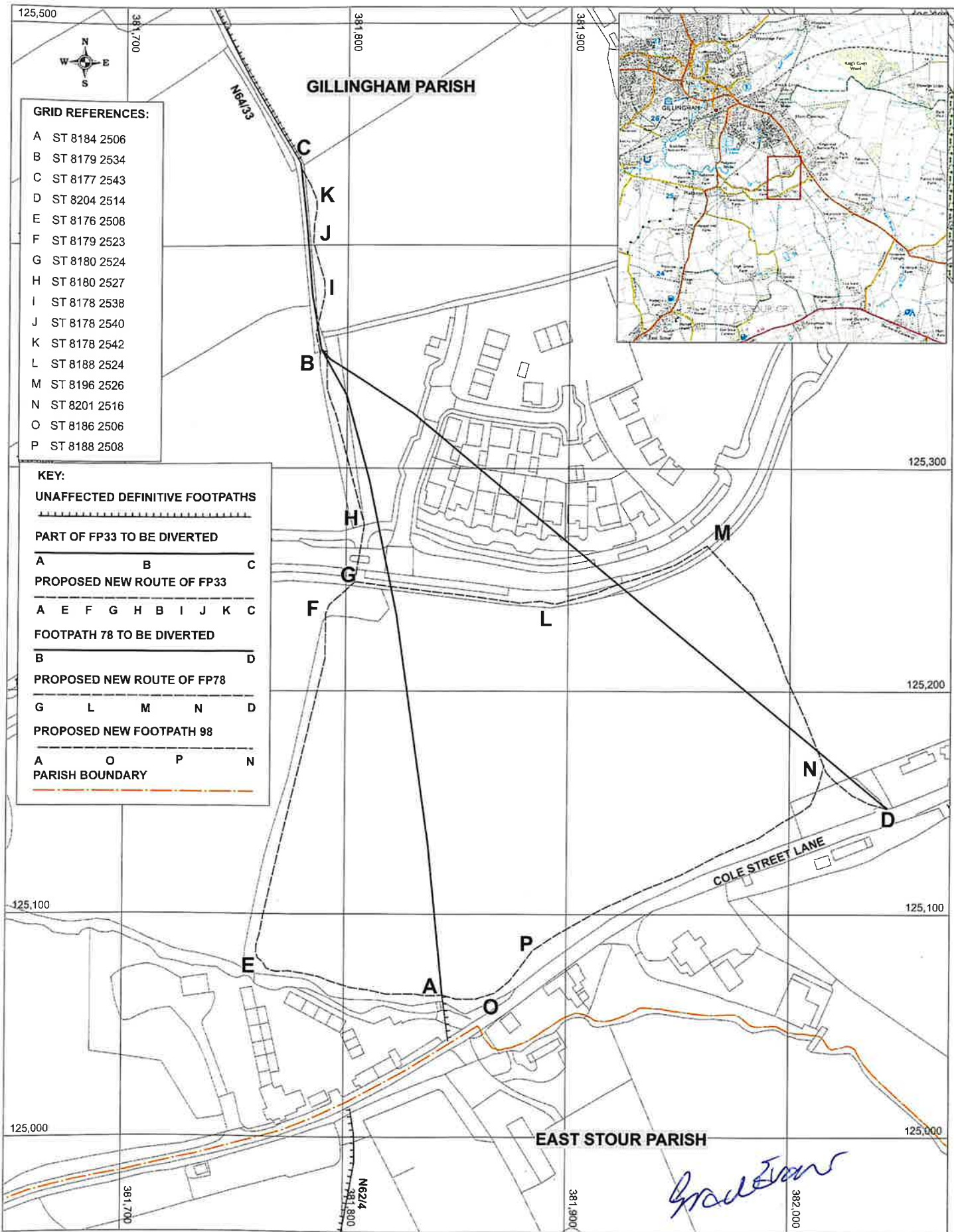
Authorised signatory

The foregoing Order is hereby confirmed unopposed



Authorised Signatory

Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 2026



**GRID REFERENCES:**

- A ST 8184 2506
- B ST 8179 2534
- C ST 8177 2543
- D ST 8204 2514
- E ST 8176 2508
- F ST 8179 2523
- G ST 8180 2524
- H ST 8180 2527
- I ST 8178 2538
- J ST 8178 2540
- K ST 8178 2542
- L ST 8188 2524
- M ST 8196 2526
- N ST 8201 2516
- O ST 8186 2506
- P ST 8188 2508

**KEY:**

UNAFFECTED DEFINITIVE FOOTPATHS

PART OF FP33 TO BE DIVERTED

PROPOSED NEW ROUTE OF FP33

FOOTPATH 78 TO BE DIVERTED

PROPOSED NEW ROUTE OF FP78

PROPOSED NEW FOOTPATH 98

PARISH BOUNDARY

**SECTION 257, TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1990**

**DORSET COUNCIL (FOOTPATH 33 (PART) AND FOOTPATH 78 GILLINGHAM)  
PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION ORDER 2025**

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Cent X: 381,860

Cent Y: 125,232



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