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Dorset Council

Public Path Diversion
and
Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order

Highways Act 1980
Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981

Dorset Council (Part of Footpath 27 and Part of Footpath 28, Corfe Castle)
Public Path Diversion Order 2026

This Order is made by Dorset Council ("the authority") under section 119 of the Highways Act 1980 ("the 1980 Act") because it appears to the authority that in the interests of the owner of the land crossed by the footpaths described in paragraph 1 of this Order it is expedient that the line of the paths should be diverted.

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 shown or required to be shown in the map and statement.

The National Trust has agreed to defray any compensation which becomes payable in consequence of the coming into force of this Order and any expenses which are incurred in bringing the new site of the paths into a fit condition for use by the public.

Corfe Castle Parish Council has been consulted as required by section 120(2) of the 1980 Act.

BY THIS ORDER:

1. The public rights of way over the land situate at Corfe Castle parish and shown by bold continuous lines on the map contained in this Order and described in Part 1 of the Schedule to this Order shall be stopped up after 7 days from the date of confirmation of this Order or on the date which Dorset Council certify that work has been carried out to bring the site of the new highways mentioned in Part 2 of the Schedule to this Order into a fit condition for use by the public, whichever is the later and thereupon the County of Dorset definitive map shall be modified by deleting from it those public rights of way.

2. Notwithstanding this Order, where immediately before the date on which the paths are diverted in pursuance of this Order, there is apparatus under, in, on, over, along or across the paths belonging to the statutory undertakers for the purpose of carrying out their undertaking then such undertakers shall continue to have the same rights in respect of their apparatus as they would have had if this Order had never been made.

3. There shall at the end of 7 days from the date of confirmation of this Order be public footpaths over the land situate at Corfe Castle parish described in Part 2 of the Schedule to this Order and shown by bold broken lines on the map contained in this Order and thereupon the County of Dorset definitive map shall be modified by adding those paths to it.

4. The rights conferred on the public under this Order shall be subject to the limitations and conditions set out in Part 3 of the Schedule to this Order

5. The County of Dorset definitive statement shall be modified as described in Part 4 of the Schedule to this Order.

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 27, Corfe Castle:

A – B – C	The full width of the path from the unaffected part of Footpath 27 at point A (SY 99183 80509) generally south south east then south to point B (SY 99189 80374) then south west to point C (SY 99134 80321). (No recorded width)

Footpath 28, Corfe Castle:

D – E – C	The full width of the path from the unaffected part of Footpath 28 at point D (SY 99027 80481) south east to point E (SY 99041 80468) then continuing south east to point C (SY 99134 80321). (No recorded width)

Part 2

Description of site of new paths

Footpath 27, Corfe Castle:

A – F – G – C	From the unaffected part of Footpath 27 at Point A (SY 99183 80509) generally south west for approx. 86m to Point F (SY 99126 80444) then generally south south west for approx. 23m to pedestrian gate and bridge at Point G (SY 99123 80431) then generally south south east for approx. 103m to Point C (SY 99134 80321). Width: 2.5m except pedestrian gate at SY 99123 80431 to BS5709:2018, 1.2m.

Footpath 28, Corfe Castle:

D - F	From the unaffected part of Footpath 28 at Point D (SY 99027 80481) then approx. 108m generally east south east to Point F (SY 99126 80444) where it meets Footpath 27) Width: 2.5m

Part 3

Limitations and Conditions

To BS5709:2018:

Point G	SY 99123 80431	Pedestrian gate

Part 4

Modification of Definitive Statement

Variation of particulars of path way

Footpath 27, Corfe Castle:

Delete:
From: 994811 To: 991803

Road west of Rickett's Farm to join Path No 28 at parish boundary.

Add:
From: 994811 To: SY9913480321

Road west of Rickett's Farm to SY 99183 80509 generally south west for approx. 86m to SY 99126 80444 then generally south south west for approx. 23m to pedestrian gate and bridge at SY 99123 80431 then generally south south east for approx. 103m to Point SY 99134 80321 at the parish boundary.

Width, 2.5m from SY 99183 80509 to SY 99134 80321 except pedestrian gate at SY 99123 80431, 1.2m

Footpath 28, Corfe Castle:

Delete:
From: 985808 To: 991803

Road at Westwood Farm south eastwards to parish boundary.

Add:
From: 985808 To: SY9912680444

Road at Westwood Farm south eastwards to SY 99027 80481 then approx. 108m east, south east to SY 99126 80444 where it meets Footpath 27.

Width: 2.5m from SY 99027 80481 to SY 99126 80444

Dated this 19th day of JUNE 2026

THE COMMON SEAL of
DORSET COUNCIL
was affixed in the presence of:-

Jonathan Mair

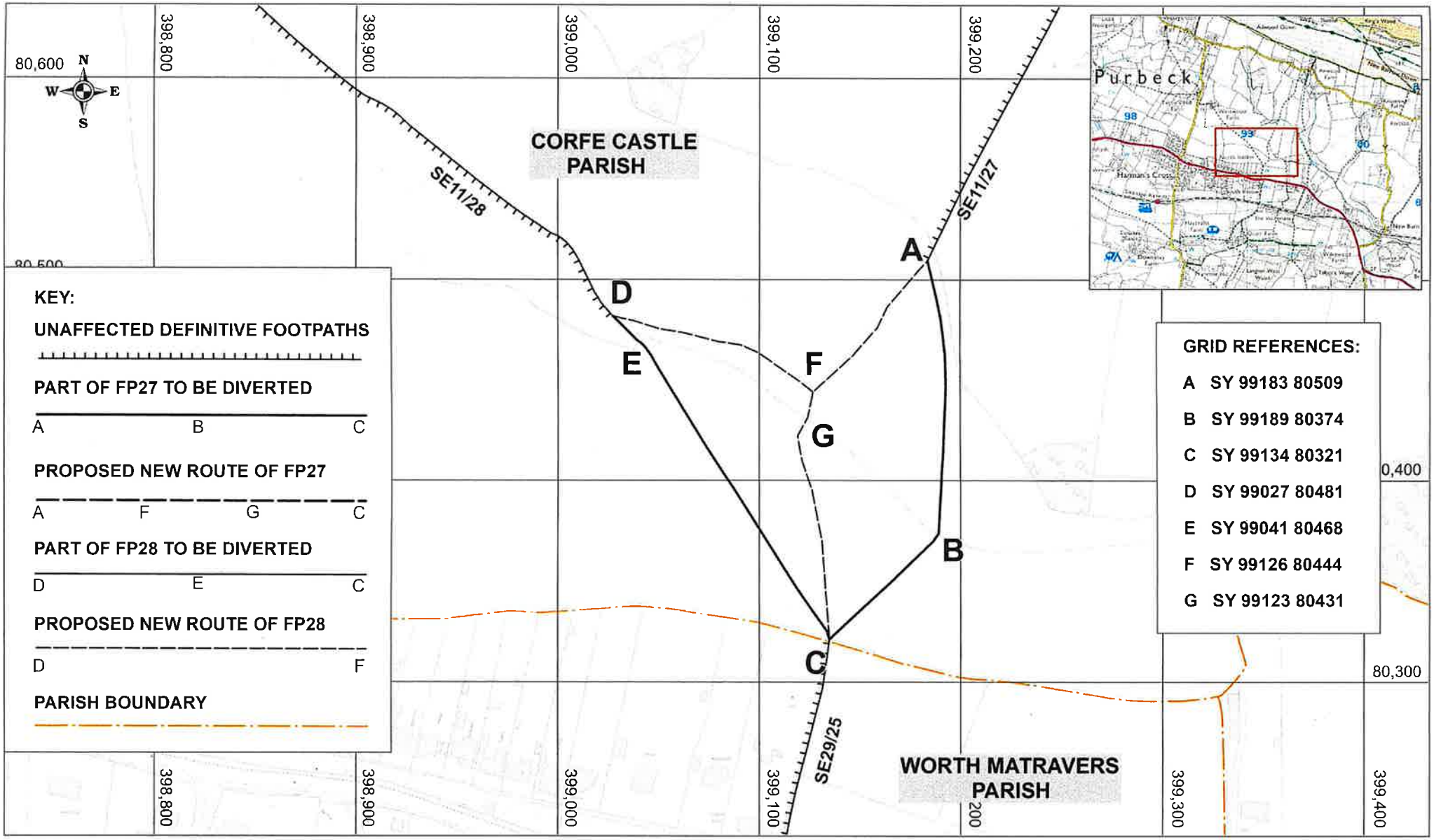
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Authorised signatory

The foregoing Order is hereby confirmed unopposed

Jonathan Mair

Authorised Signatory
Dated this 2nd day of OCTOBER 2026



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