



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 (Part of Footpath 34, Gillingham)
Public Path Diversion Order 2026**

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: Erection of 280 dwellings and associated parking, landscaping and infrastructure (reserved matters application to determine appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) following grant of outline planning permission 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 footpath 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 an alternative highway for use as a replacement for the said footpath 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 highway described in Part 2 of the Schedule:
 - Construction of tarmac/paved path between point A (ST 81584 25568) point D (ST 81588 25561) point E (ST 81588 25556) and point F (ST 81591 25551). Width: 3.0 metres.
 - Construction of a tarmac/paved path between point F (ST 81591 25551) point G (ST 81609 25560) point H (ST 81626 25561) point J (ST 81658 25554) and point K (ST 81657 25546). Width 2.0m.
 - Construction of a hoggin path between point K (ST 81657 25546) point L (ST 81669 25526) point M (ST 81686 25519) point N (ST 81771 25519) and point P (ST 81736 25515). Width: 2.0 metres.
5. Places for People Developments Ltd is hereby required to pay for the cost of carrying out the said works.
6. Where immediately before the date on which the footpath is 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 path

Footpath 34, Gillingham:

A – B - C The full width of the footpath from the unaffected part of Footpath 34 at point A (ST 81584 25568) generally southeast for 143 metres to Point B (ST 81706 25518) then generally east for 26 metres to Point C (ST 81733 25517) where it meets Footpath 33.

(No recorded width)

Part 2

Description of site of alternative highway

Footpath 34, Gillingham:

A – D – E From the unaffected part of Footpath 34 at Point A (ST 81584 25568)
– F – G – generally southeast for 4 metres to Point D (ST 81588 25561) then south for 4
H – J – K metres to Point E (ST 81588 25556) then southeast for 6 metres to Point F
– L – M – (ST 81591 25551), then generally northeast for 18 metres to Point G (ST
N – P 81609 25560) continuing east northeast for 19 metres to Point H (ST 81626
25561) then generally east southeast for 34 metres to Point J (ST 81658
25554) then generally south for 8 metres to Point K (ST 81657 25546) then
southeast for 30 metres to Point L (ST 81669 25526), east for 10 metres to
Point M (ST 81686 25519) continuing generally east for 25 metres to Point N
(ST 81771 25519) then generally east for 25 metres to Point P (ST 81736
25515) where it meets Footpath 33.

Width: 3.0 metres from Point A (ST81584 25568) to Point F (ST 81591 25551). 2.0 metres from Point F (ST 81591 25551) to Point P (ST 81736 25515).

Part 3

Modification of Definitive Statement

Variation of particulars of path

Footpath 34, Gillingham:

Delete:

From: ST 81130 25944

To: ST 817255

A length of public footpath running on the footway, in an easterly direction for 17 metres to ST 81147 25941, and continuing on the footway in a southerly direction for 18 metres to ST 81153 25926, continuing southeasterly, crossing the road and running on the footway from ST 81160 25918 in a southerly direction for 3 metres to ST 81160 25915, then continuing in an easterly direction for 5 metres to ST 81164

25915. Continuing southeast, then south, to ST 81237 25832, and in a southerly direction for 19 metres to ST 81234 25812. Continuing in an east-southeasterly, turning east-northeasterly direction for 33 metres to ST 81265 25805, then continuing in a southeasterly direction for 80 metres to ST 81324 25752, then continuing in a southwesterly direction for 9 metres to ST 81320 25742 and continuing in a southeasterly direction for 22 metres to ST 81335 25730, continuing generally southeast to join Path No 33 west of Higher Ham Farm. The width varies; 2 metres between ST 81130 25944 and ST 81153 25926, 2 metres between ST 81160 25918 and ST 81164 25915, 2 metres between ST 81237 25832 and ST 81335 25730.

Add:

From: ST 81130 25944

To: ST 81736 25515

A length of public footpath running on the footway, in an easterly direction for 17 metres to ST 81147 25941, and continuing on the footway in a southerly direction for 18 metres to ST 81153 25926, continuing southeasterly, crossing the road and running on the footway from ST 81160 25918 in a southerly direction for 3 metres to ST 81160 25915, then continuing in an easterly direction for 5 metres to ST 81164 25915. Continuing southeast, then south, to ST 81237 25832, and in a southerly direction for 19 metres to ST 81234 25812. Continuing in an east-southeasterly, turning east-northeasterly direction for 33 metres to ST 81265 25805, then continuing in a southeasterly direction for 80 metres to ST 81324 25752, then continuing in a southwesterly direction for 9 metres to ST 81320 25742 and continuing in a southeasterly direction for 22 metres to ST 81335 25730 then southeasterly to ST 81584 25568 then generally southeast for 4 metres to ST 81588 25561 then south for 4 metres to ST 81588 25556 then southeast for 6 metres to ST 81591 25551, then generally northeast for 18 metres to ST 81609 25560 continuing east northeast for 19 metres to ST 81626 25561 then generally east southeast for 34 metres to ST 81658 25554 then generally south for 8 metres to ST 81657 25546 then southeast for 30 metres to ST 81669 25526, east for 10 metres to ST 81686 25519 continuing generally east for 25 metres to ST 81771 25519 then generally east for 25 metres to ST 81736 25515 where it meets Footpath 33.

Width: 3.0 metres from ST81584 25568 to ST 81591 25551. 2.0 metres from ST 81591 25551 to ST 81736 25515.

Dated this 10th day of APRIL 2026

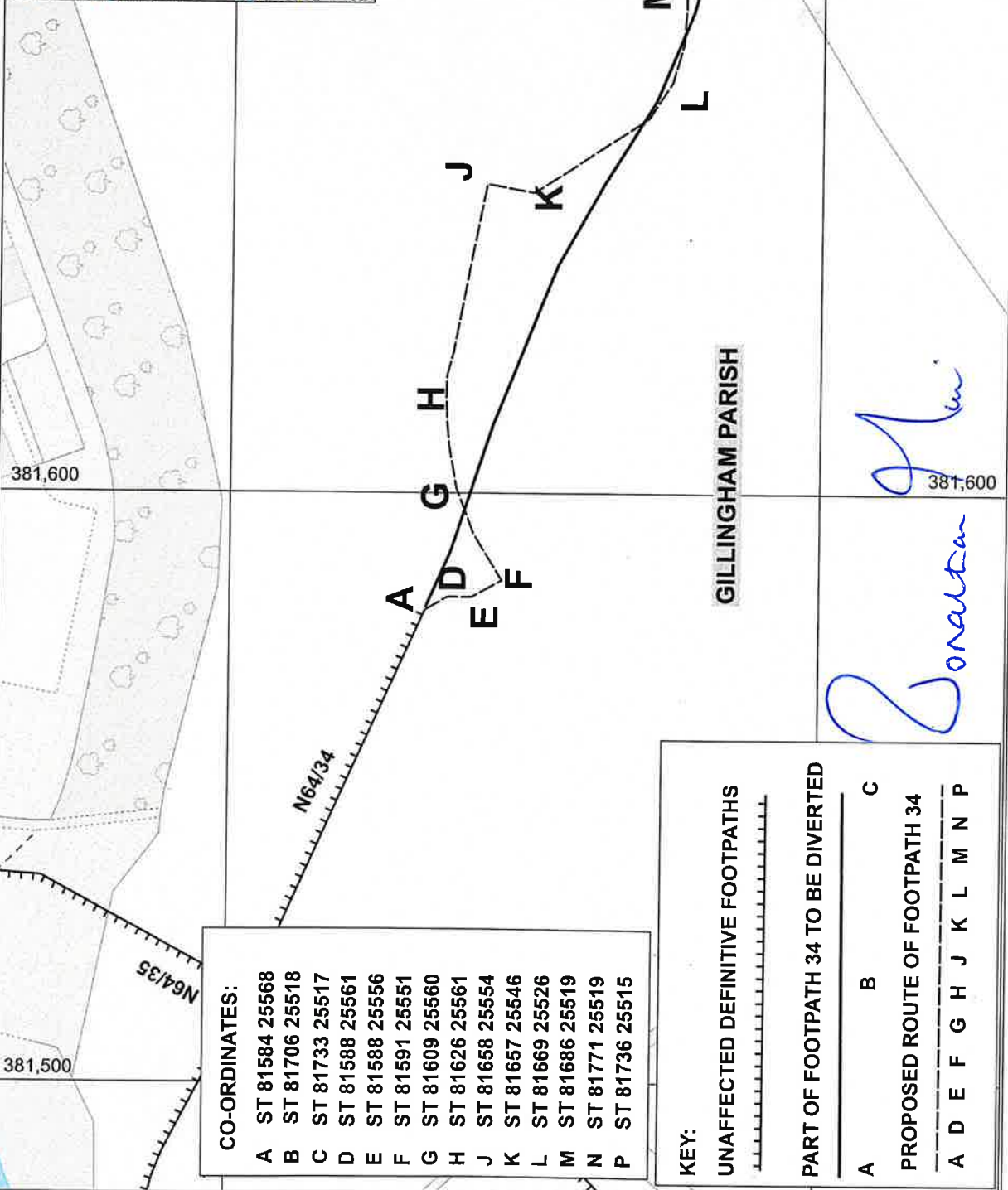
THE COMMON SEAL of
DORSET COUNCIL

was affixed in the presence of-



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Authorised signatory



CO-ORDINATES:

A	ST 81584 25568
B	ST 81706 25518
C	ST 81733 25517
D	ST 81588 25561
E	ST 81588 25556
F	ST 81591 25551
G	ST 81609 25560
H	ST 81626 25561
J	ST 81658 25554
K	ST 81657 25546
L	ST 81669 25526
M	ST 81686 25519
N	ST 81771 25519
P	ST 81736 25515

KEY:

UNAFECTED DEFINITIVE FOOTPATHS

PART OF FOOTPATH 34 TO BE DIVERTED
 A B C

PROPOSED ROUTE OF FOOTPATH 34
 A D E F G H J K L M N P

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SECTION 257, TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
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 Date: 09/04/2026
 Scale: 1:1000 @ A4
 Drawn by: ASB
 Cent X: 381,622
 Cent Y: 125,554

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