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Dorset Council

**Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981**

**Dorset Council**
**County of Dorset Definitive Map and Statement of Rights of Way**

**Dorset Council (Add footpaths across Ferndown Common to Bridleway 18, Ferndown) Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order 2026**

This Order is made by Dorset Council under section 53(2)(b) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 ("the Act") because it appears to that 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)(c)(i) namely, that a right of way which is not shown in the map and statement subsists or is reasonably alleged to subsist over land in the area to which the map relates and[section 53(3)(c)(iii) namely, that any other particulars contained in the map and statement require modification.

The authority has consulted with every local authority whose area includes the land to which the Order relates. Dorset Council hereby order that:

1. For the purposes of this Order the relevant date is 13 July 2026

2. The County of Dorset Definitive Map and Statement shall be modified as described in Part I and Part II of the Schedule and shown on the map attached to the Order.

3. This Order shall take effect on the date it is confirmed and may be cited as the "Dorset Council (Add footpaths across Ferndown Common to Bridleway 18, Ferndown) Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order 2026".

Dated this 7th day of August 2026

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

Grace Evans

617/26

Authorised Signatory

The foregoing Order is hereby confirmed unopposed

Authorised Signatory

Dated this 8th day of October 2026

## SCHEDULE

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

## Part I

### Modification of definitive map
### Description of paths to be added

A Footpath, Ferndown:
*To be numbered 60, Ferndown*

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|---|---|
| A-B-B1-B2-C-D | From the tarmac road between properties 41 and 43 Forest View Drive, Ferndown at point A (SU 0625 0054), continuing south east along a gravel and stone surfaced track to point B (SU 0640 0047), continuing east to point B1 (SU 0645 0047) to meet a wide gravel and stone surfaced track, continuing east north east to point B2 (SU 0659 0052), where the route joins a brick surfaced track and turns immediately south south east along the brick lined track to point C (SU 0661 0049), then east north east along a narrow sand and soil surfaced path to meet Bridleway 18, Ferndown at point D (SU 0670 0055). The width varies from 1.2 metres at point A (SU 0625 0054) immediately widening to 3.3 metres continuing at this width to point B2 (SU 0659 0052) where the route meets a brick surfaced track and narrows to 2.7 metres continuing at this width to point C (SU 0661 0049) and narrowing to 2 metres to meet, Bridleway 18, Ferndown at point D (SU 0670 0055). |

A Footpath, Ferndown:
*To be numbered 61, Ferndown*

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|---|---|
| F-F1-B | From Forest View Drive at point F (SU 0622 0043) east across an open grass area, adjacent to property number 55a, entering Ferndown Common at point F1 (SU 0625 0043) and continuing east north east to point B (SU 0640 0047). The width varies from 2 metres on open ground at point F (SU 0622 0043), narrowing to 1.2 metres at point F1 (SU 0625 0043) then immediately widening to 2 metres and continuing at this width to meet point B (SU 0640 0047). |

## Part II

**Modification of definitive statement**
**Variation of particulars of paths**

Footpath 60, Ferndown:

**Add:**
From: SU 0625 0054 To: SU 0670 0055

From the tarmac road between properties 41 and 43 Forest View Drive, Ferndown at SU 0625 0054, continuing south east along a gravel and stone surfaced track to SU 0640 0047, continuing east to SU 0645 0047 to meet a wide gravel and stone surfaced track, continuing east north east to point SU 0659 0052, where the route joins a brick surfaced track and turns immediately south south east along the brick lined track to SU 0661 0049, then east north east along a narrow sand and soil surfaced path to meet Bridleway 18, Ferndown at SU 0670 0055. The width varies from 1.2 metres at SU 0625 0054 immediately widening to 3.3 metres continuing at this width to SU 0659 0052 where the route meets a brick surfaced track and narrows to 2.7 metres continuing at this width to SU 0661 0049 and narrowing to 2 metres to meet, Bridleway 18, Ferndown at SU 0670 0055.

Footpath 61, Ferndown:

**Add:**
From: SU 0622 0043 To: SU 0640 0047

From Forest View Drive at SU 0622 0043 east across an open grass area, adjacent to property number 55a, entering Ferndown Common at SU 0625 0043 and continuing east, north east to SU 0640 0047. The width varies from 2 metres on open ground at SU 0622 0043, narrowing to 1.2 metres at 0625 0043 then immediately widening to 2 metres and continuing at this width to meet SU 0640 0047.




406,300 406,400 406,500 406,600 406,700

N W E S

FERNDOWN UPPER SCHOOL GROUNDS

BR 18

KING GEORGE V PLAYING FIELD

100,600

100,500

100,400

FERNDOWN PARISH

FOREST VIEW DRIVE

A B B1 B2 C D F F1

406,100 406,200 406,300 406,400

**GRID REFERENCES:**

A - SU 0625 0054
B - SU 0640 0047
B1 - SU 0645 0047
B2 - SU 0659 0052
C - SU 0661 0049
D - SU 0670 0055
F - SU 0622 0043
F1 - SU 0625 0043

**KEY:**

Proposed Footpath
A B B1 B2 C D

Proposed Footpath
F F1 B

Definitive Bridleway

# WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981

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**Ref: T522/26/1**
**Date: 05/08/2026**
**Scale: 1:2,500**
**Drawn by: SP**
**Cent X: 406,446**
**Cent Y: 100,526**

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