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Your Ref: PMH/DC/T354/PINS1 M1

Our Ref: ROW/3278538

07 March 2024

Dear Mr Hopkins,

Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 - Section 53

Order Making Authority: Dorset Council

Title of Order: Dorset Council (A Byway Open to All Traffic, Beaminster at Crabb's Barn Lane) Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order 2020

Thank you for your e-mail of 8 January 2024 agreeing to the adoption of the written representations procedure to decide the case following the receipt of objections/representations to the Inspector's proposed modifications.

Neither the applicant nor the objector(s)/respresentor(s) have asked to be heard by an Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State. The consideration of this Order will therefore take the form of an exchange of statements of case and comments on statements of case which contain evidence in respect of the modified part of the Order and evidence relating to the application to upgrade Bridleway 17 Beaminster to a Byway Open to All Traffic. In that respect, please provide any additional evidence and submissions as to the claim to upgrade Bridleway 17 Beaminster to Byway Open to All Traffic status. The Inspector may also decide to visit the site.

The start date for this Order is as stated on the enclosed notice of order.

The enclosed notice, which will appear on our website, contains information about the Order, where queries about the Order should be directed, when and where documents relating to the Order can be inspected by the public and the timetable for sending statements of case and comments. Please ensure you read the notice carefully.

In fairness to the other parties we ask everyone to keep to the timetable set out above and to ensure that statements of case and comments are with us on time. As I have given details of the timetable, I will not send you reminders.

## Site visit arrangements

Once the exchange of statements of case and comments has been completed, the Inspector may visit the site. The purpose of the site visit is for him to see the land to which the Order

relates and the surrounding area and to note physical features such as stiles, gates, fences, walls, hedges and trees. He would make this visit alone unless your Council, any person who has made an objection or representation or the applicant ask to accompany him.

Please ensure our case reference number is quoted in all correspondence.

*Statement of case – a written statement containing full particulars of the case which a person proposes to put forward; it includes copies of any supporting documents which that person intends to refer to or put in evidence, and a list of those documents.*

We expect statements of case to be paginated, labelled, indexed and submitted in a clear order. Appendix E of our guidance booklet refers. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/rights-of-way-guidance-booklet>

Enclosure:

Order Notice

Yours sincerely,

***Helen Sparks***

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