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## **South Lincolnshire and Rutland Local Access Forum Meeting**

A meeting of the South Lincolnshire and Rutland Local Access Forum will be held on **Wednesday, 25 October 2017 at 6.00 pm in Council Chamber, Rutland County Council, Catmose, Oakham, Rutland LE15 6HP** for the transaction of business set out on the attached Agenda.

Yours sincerely

Tony McArdle  
Chief Executive

## **Membership of the South Lincolnshire and Rutland Local Access Forum**

Councillor Bob Adams, (Lincolnshire County Council)  
Councillor Ray Wootten, (Lincolnshire County Council)  
John Law, (Other Interests) (Vice-Chairman)  
Councillor Gale Waller, (Rutland County Council)  
William Cross, (Landowners)  
Rosemary Harris, (Landowners)  
Alec Hill, (Users of Local Rights of Way)  
Peter Hinton JP MBA, (Users of Local Rights of Way)  
John Williams, (Users of Local Rights of Way)  
Ian Cox, (Other Interests)  
Roger Linford, (Other Interests)  
Barbara Smitheringale, (Other Interests)  
3 Vacancies (Land Owners)  
1 Vacancy (Other Interests)  
2 Vacancies (Users of Local Rights of Way)



**SOUTH LINCOLNSHIRE AND RUTLAND LOCAL ACCESS FORUM AGENDA  
WEDNESDAY, 25 OCTOBER 2017**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Report Reference</b>
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<b>3</b>	<b>Actions Arising from the meeting held on 12 July 2017</b>	-
<b>4</b>	<b>Ashing Lane Nature Reserve</b> <i>(To receive a verbal update from Chris Miller (Team Leader for Countryside Services))</i>	(Verbal Report)
<b>5</b>	<b>East Midlands Regional Local Access Forum Chairs Meeting</b> <i>(To receive a verbal update from John Law (Vice-Chairman))</i>	(Verbal Report)
<b>6</b>	<b>Rutland Meeting</b> <i>(To receive a verbal update from John Law (Vice-Chairman))</i>	(Verbal Report)
<b>7</b>	<b>Countryside for All</b> <i>(To receive a report by John Law (Vice-Chairman) in relation to Countryside for All)</i>	<b>7</b> (Pages 13 - 18)
<b>8</b>	<b>Choice Unlimited - The Way Forward</b> <i>(To receive a report by John Law (Vice-Chairman))</i>	<b>8</b> (Pages 19 - 22)
<b>9</b>	<b>Tesco Bags of Help Fund</b> <i>(To receive a report from John Law (Vice-Chairman))</i>	<b>9</b> (Pages 23 - 26)
<b>10</b>	<b>Definitive Map Modification Orders - Ongoing</b>	
<b>10a</b>	<b>Lincolnshire County Council</b> <i>(To receive a report by Chris Miller (Team Leader for Countryside Services))</i>	<b>10a</b> (Pages 27 - 32)
<b>10b</b>	<b>Rutland County Council</b> <i>(To receive a report by Stuart Crook (Public Rights of Way Officer, Rutland County Council))</i>	<b>10b</b> (Pages 33 - 34)
<b>11</b>	<b>Public Path Orders and Progress Report</b>	
<b>11a</b>	<b>Lincolnshire County Council</b> <i>(To receive a report by Chris Miller (Team Leader for Countryside Services))</i>	<b>11a</b> (Pages 35 - 38)
<b>11b</b>	<b>Rutland County Council</b> <i>(To receive a report by Stuart Crook (Public Rights of Way Officer, Rutland County Council))</i>	<b>11b</b> (Pages 39 - 40)

**12 Rights of Way Improvement Plan - Update**

**12a Lincolnshire County Council**

*(To receive a report by Chris Miller (Team Leader for Countryside Services))*

(Verbal Report)

**12b Rutland County Council**

*(To receive a report by Stuart Crook (Public Rights of Way Officer, Rutland County Council))*

(Verbal Report)

**13 Dates and Times of Future Meetings**

*(Future meetings of the Local Access Forum are scheduled to be held on the following dates and times: -*

(Verbal Report)

*24 January 2018 at 2.00 pm*

*18 April 2018 at 6.00 pm*

*11 July 2018 at 6.00 pm*

*24 October 2018 at 6.00 pm*

*The venues are yet to be confirmed)*

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## SOUTH LINCOLNSHIRE AND RUTLAND LOCAL ACCESS FORUM 12 JULY 2017

Meeting held in Visitor Centre, Gibraltar Point National Nature Reserve, Gibraltar Road, Skegness, Lincs PE24 4SU at 6.00 pm.

### **PRESENT:**

Representing Lincolnshire County Council: Councillor B Adams and R Wootten

Representing Independent Members: John Law, Rosemary Harris, Alec Hill, Peter Hinton JP MBA, Sam Tate, John Williams, Roger Linford and Barbara Smitheringale

Officers: Stuart Crook (Public Rights of Way Officer), Cheryl Hall (Democratic Services Officer) and Chris Miller (Team Leader for Countryside Services)

### 1 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

AGREED

That Councillor Ray Wootten be elected as Chairman of the South Lincolnshire and Rutland Local Access Forum for 2017/18.

### **COUNCILLOR RAY WOOTTEN IN THE CHAIR**

The Chairman took the opportunity to welcome everyone to the meeting and introductions were made.

The Chairman also thanked officers for making the arrangements for the meeting to be held at the Gibraltar Point Visitor Centre.

### 2 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

AGREED

That John Law be elected as Vice-Chairman of the South Lincolnshire and Rutland Local Access Forum for 2017/18.

### 3 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE/REPLACEMENT MEMBERS

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Gale Waller, Mr Ian Cox and Mr William Cross.

The Forum was advised that since the last meeting, Councillor Gale Waller had been appointed as the Rutland County Council representative, replacing Councillor William Cross.

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Councillors Bob Adams and Ray Wootten had been appointed as the Lincolnshire County Council representatives.

Mr William Cross had reverted back to representing landowners' views on the Forum.

It was also noted that Mr Andrew Childs and Mrs Audrey Morley had both resigned from the Forum. The Chairman advised that letters of thanks would be sent to both Andrew and Audrey for their work on the Forum.

It was highlighted that there were the following vacancies on the Forum: three landowners; one user of public rights of way; and one for other interests.

4 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING OF THE LOCAL ACCESS FORUM HELD ON 5 APRIL 2017

AGREED

That the minutes of the meeting held on 5 April 2017 be agreed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

5 ACTIONS ARISING FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 5 APRIL 2017

The Secretary to the Local Access Forum agreed to include the location of the meeting in the future sets of minutes.

Further to Minute 46 - 'Generic Advice to Planners', the Forum was advised that this item was due to be considered by the Mid-Lincolnshire Local Access Forum on 18 July 2017, and it was anticipated that the Mid-Lincolnshire LAF would invite a Planning Officer to attend a future meeting of the Forum to answer questions on this matter. It was suggested that this could be a joint meeting of both Forums.

Further to Minute 52 - 'Dates and Times of Future Meetings and *Any Other Business*', the Forum was reminded that the Chairman had circulated a response, via email, from Lincolnshire Police in relation to the issue of cyclists racing on bridleways.

6 EYEBROOK RESERVOIR - ACCESS FOR WALKERS

John Williams (a member of the Local Access Forum) provided the Forum with an update on the difficulties surrounding the access for walkers to the Eyebrook Reservoir.

The Forum was advised that it had previously been possible to walk round the whole of the reservoir, by obtaining approval from the fishing lodge to pass through their section. However, following a change in management of the fishing lodge, approval to walk through this section of the reservoir had been refused.

It was noted that Tata Steel owned the Eyebrook Reservoir, with the management of the fishing lodge being leased out. Further to this it was agreed that the Chairman

would write a letter to Tata Steel regarding the difficulties surrounding access for walkers and to try to find a resolution.

AGREED

That the Chairman be requested to write a letter to Tata Steel regarding the difficulties surrounding access for walkers and to try and try to resolve the issue with the fishing lodge.

## 7 COUNTRYSIDE FOR ALL

Consideration was given to a report from the Vice-Chairman of the Local Access Forum, which provided an update on the work of the Countryside for All Sub-Group.

The report provided Members of the Forum with an update on the following areas: -

- Countryside for All routes;
- Inclusive Countryside Access Course;
- Woodland Trust;
- Choice Unlimited Event;
- Funding Bids;
- Accessibility Ambassadors;
- Sensory Trails and Green Spaces;
- Gruffalo Spotters Trail;
- Visit England Purple Pound;
- Visit England and the Countryside for All website;
- Changing Places Toilets; and
- Approaching Organisations for Annual Funding.

The Local Access Forum was shown a short YouTube video demonstrating the importance of the Changing Places Toilets campaign for fully accessible toilets. It was agreed that the link to this video was circulated via email. The costs associated with making such adaptations to public toilets were discussed, and it was highlighted that these adaptations should not impact on public liability insurance.

Further to the above, it was suggested that the Chairman should write a letter, in consultation with the Team Leader for Countryside Services and the Vice-Chairman, to the chief executives of the seven Lincolnshire district councils and both Lincolnshire and Rutland county councils, highlighting the importance of disabled access both generally and specifically promoting the Changing Places Toilets campaign.

It was noted that the track from Casthorpe Road, Manthorpe, to the Grantham Canal towpath belonged to Lincolnshire County Council. As it was not yet possible to upgrade the track and access gate, owing to financial constraints, it had been decided to provide a route leaflet to reflect the current state of the route. The Team Leader for Countryside Services advised that he was unsure how long it would take

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for this route to be placed on the definitive map. However, he would notify the Forum once it had been added.

It was also noted that a meeting was scheduled to be held on 25 July 2017 at Tonic Health in Spalding, commencing at 2.00 pm to discuss the Choice Unlimited event in May 2018. It was agreed that the Chairman of the Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board; the four Lincolnshire County Councillors who represented the Spalding electoral divisions; and Councillor Bob Adams (member of the Local Access Forum) be invited to attend the meeting on 25 July 2017.

A discussion took place regarding the Ashing Lane Nature Reserve, where it was agreed that the Forum would receive an update on this matter from the Team Leader for Countryside Services at its meeting on 25 October 2017.

**AGREED**

- (1) That a link to the YouTube video demonstrating the importance of the Changing Places Toilets campaign for fully accessible toilets be emailed to the Forum.
- (2) That the Chairman be requested to write a letter, in consultation with the Team Leader for Countryside Services and the Vice-Chairman, to the chief executives of the seven Lincolnshire district councils and both Lincolnshire and Rutland county councils, highlighting the importance of disabled access both generally and specifically promoting the Changing Places Toilets campaign.
- (3) That the Chairman of the Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board; the four Lincolnshire County Councillors who represent the Spalding electoral divisions; and Councillor Bob Adams (member of the Local Access Forum) be invited to attend the working group on 25 July 2017.
- (4) That an item on *Ashing Lane Nature Reserve* be included on the agenda for the meeting on 25 October 2017.

**8 CHARITABLE ORGANISATIONS**

The Vice-Chairman advised that a presentation on Charitable Incorporated Organisations was given at a recent East Midlands Regional Chairs' Meeting in March 2017.

It was noted that there was not an appetite at the East Midlands Regional Chairs' Meeting to establish Charitable Incorporated Organisations and the reasons for this were explained to the Forum. However, the Chairs agreed to take the information back to their Local Access Forums. The outcome of discussions with the Local Access Forums would be discussed at the next Regional Chairs' Meeting.

The South Lincolnshire and Rutland Local Access Forum's position was discussed, following which it was concluded that the Local Access Forum did not pursue this any further.

AGREED

That the Charitable Incorporated Organisation status be not pursued by the Local Access Forum.

## 9 ENGLISH COAST PATH - UPDATE

Consideration was given to a verbal update by Chris Miller (Team Leader for Countryside Services) on the development of the English Coast Path.

Members were advised that Natural England continued to work with affected occupiers to secure a route between Sutton Bridge and Skegness. The provision of access from Frampton to Gibraltar Point remained to be the key issue and also the need to cross the Steeping River at Gibraltar Point. The likely solution was to utilise the existing Internal Drainage Board Bridge. However, this could potentially cause problems with conservation, such as wildfowl disturbance, and for the Environment Agency.

The section between Skegness and Mablethorpe had already been through the report process, and had received fourteen representations. The proposal had now been submitted to the Secretary of State for ratification. The main issue with this section was the alignment of the route along the beach near the North Shore Golf Course. It was noted that the rationale for this route selection was that the golf course had demonstrated that there was a safety aspect to walking the rock armour pathway, which was reduced by walking on the beach. Natural England, as part of the official scheme guidance, had to balance both the needs of the user and those of business interests and in this case had determined that a short stretch of the route on the beach was acceptable, under the circumstances.

Natural England had begun work on assessing the section between Mablethorpe and Humber Bridge and had completed a brief paper based walk through, as well as some site visits. Consideration was currently being given to where the route at Donna Nook should be aligned, given the extensive seal population at specific times of the year and how to join access through Grimsby and Immingham.

It was requested that the written report on the English Coast Path, which was due to be presented to the Mid-Lincolnshire and Rutland LAF be emailed to Members of the South Lincolnshire and Rutland LAF for information.

AGREED

- (1) That the update be noted.
- (2) That the Mid-Lincolnshire Local Access Forum's report on the English Coast Path be emailed to Members of the South Lincolnshire and Rutland LAF for information.

10 DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION ORDERS - ONGOING

10a Lincolnshire County Council

Consideration was given to a report from Lincolnshire County Council.

The Team Leader for Countryside Services clarified the reasons for the order relating to Castle Bytham being reclassified.

The process for declaring a permissive path was discussed. It was highlighted that the costs associated with this process were minimal, provided that the landowner was in support. It was highlighted it could take some time before the ordnance survey map was updated.

In response to a question, it was noted that it was possible to obtain extracts from the ordnance survey map via the relevant local authority, through their permissions, or via the Ordnance Survey, directly.

AGREED

That the report be noted.

10b Rutland County Council

Consideration was given to a report from Rutland County Council.

A conversation took place regarding the latest position with regards to the order in Wardley.

AGREED

That the report be noted.

11 PUBLIC PATH ORDERS AND PROGRESS REPORT

11a Lincolnshire County Council

Consideration was given to a report from Lincolnshire County Council.

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The Forum expressed its thanks for the work of the Team Leader for Countryside Services, and members of his Team, over the years on Public Path Orders and Definitive Map Modification Orders.

AGREED

That the report be noted.

11b Rutland County Council

Consideration was given to a report from Rutland County Council.

The Forum also expressed its thanks for the work of the Public Rights of Way Officer, and members of his Team, over the years on Public Path Orders and Definitive Map Modification Orders.

AGREED

That the report be noted.

12 RUTLAND COUNTY COUNCIL - RIGHTS OF WAY IMPROVEMENT PLAN

The Forum was reminded that The Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 had placed a duty on all Highway Authorities to produce a Rights of Way Improvement Plan. The first Rutland Countryside Access and Rights of Way Improvement Plan (ROWIP) was published in October 2007, similarly with Lincolnshire's which was published in November 2007.

The Forum was advised that there was also a requirement to review ROWIPs every 10 years. Therefore, both the Rutland and the Lincolnshire ROWIPs were due for review during 2017. The arrangements for both reviews were discussed, including how the Forum would be consulted.

AGREED

- (1) That the draft Rutland Countryside Access and Rights of Way Improvement Plan be emailed to the members of the Forum from the Rutland area in August 2017, for comment.
- (2) That a standing item on the *Rights of Way Improvement Plans* be added to each agenda of the Forum.

13 DATES AND TIMES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

AGREED

That the next meeting of the Forum be held on 25 October 2017 at 6.00 pm at Rutland County Council.

It was noted that a debate was held in the Houses on Commons on 4 July 2017 in relation to the number of road traffic accidents (RTAs) on rural roads, particularly those RTAs involving horses. The ways in which the police could respond to these incidents were discussed, particularly whether drivers were prosecuted for their actions. The Chairman advised that he would make some enquiries with Lincolnshire Police regarding its policy and update the Forum via email on this matter.

The meeting closed at 8.00 pm.

## COUNTRYSIDE FOR ALL – Report

### Report for LAF meetings 24 & 25/10/17

#### **1. VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED**

We are now down to two members in the Countryside For All sub group, Richard Graham and John Law. Clearly we have a heavy workload but we can only do so much. We need to recruit more LAF members to help us with our task of making the countryside more accessible for the disabled, their carers and the elderly. We have a number of organisations who are asking us to do more but unless we have some help, we will have to start saying no to these requests.

#### **2. COUNTRYSIDE FOR ALL ROUTES**

##### **2.1. Lincolnshire**

We are now aiming to have details of the 5 new route leaflet details with the designer/printer by the end of November. This is dependent on the track from the Casthorpe Road to the Grantham Canal being place on the definitive map. Next year, we intend to work with the County Council and the Canal and River Trust, to gain funding for some improvements e.g. signage.

Although the WW2 Museum is now open, we are still waiting for some information from the Museum before we can complete the Freiston Shore RSPB route leaflet.

We are still aiming to carry out the survey for the Woodhall Spa Airfield route later this year.

The 1000 new Lincolnshire folders, funded by the Nineveh Charitable Trust have been printed, produced and delivered. These will be available for general distribution next year and will include the 5 leaflets we are currently working on, plus the Woodhall Spa Airfield.

We have 12 route leaflets which need restocking. Fortunately Richard has applied for £1000 funding from the Police Mutual. If we win this bid, this will enable us to print 1000 leaflets for each of the 12 routes. We are investigating if we can attract a sponsor to fund all future design, artwork and printing of all Lincolnshire and Rutland route leaflets and folders. An annual sum of £2000 is required. If we can get a sponsor to support us in this area, this will help our workload as we will not need to complete as many funding applications. It will also help ensure leaflets never go out of stock. We need to make sponsoring the leaflets an attractive proposition for potential sponsors. If we offer future sponsors the opportunity of having their logo on the front of future leaflets and folders, it could be seen as an excellent way of promoting businesses. We intend to talk to Irwin Mitchell at the Rutland Choice Unlimited event, to see if they will provide us with this sponsorship.

Lincolnshire County Council is currently investigating applying for funding from the East Coast Community fund, to improve accessibility at the Coastal Country Park.

We have identified five routes which require Countryside For All leaflets. It is expected that only four of these routes will be included in the funding application by Lincolnshire County Council. The one that may not be included in this application is Acre Gap. As there are now only two members in the sub group, we will not be able to undertake the audit/survey for the four routes for the funding application. We have asked Andy Johnson, who delivers the Inclusive Countryside Access courses for us to quote for this work.

***ACTION: Chris Miller – Is Lincolnshire County Council in agreement that the Lincolnshire County Council logo etc. Is moved to the back of the leaflet and to the back of any new folders when produced and paid for by an external sponsor?***

***All – If Lincolnshire County Council is in agreement with above, are the members of both LAFs in agreement with the above?***

## **2.2. Rutland**

The original Rutland leaflets have now been modified to enable them to be given out as individual leaflets. These leaflets will also be given out in the new folders.

## **3. MILES WITHOUT STILES ROUTES**

We started the miles without stiles routes in East Lindsey. Unfortunately as one of the members of the sub group who was working on this project left, it has meant we have had to abandon this project.

## **4. INCLUSIVE COUNTRYSIDE ACCESS COURSE**

We have set a maximum of 17 delegates on this course. Twelve delegates are staff from the Woodland Trust. There are other Woodland Trust staff who wished to attend the course that cannot be accommodated.

## **5. NINEVEH CHARITABLE TRUST'S VISIT**

The Trust have stated that they wish to see the work we are doing. With there being now only two members of the sub group and the different locations of the project, it is difficult to see how we can do this, especially as the Trust is based in Kent. The only realistic options are to invite them to visit us on two separate days. One invite will be to the Choice Unlimited event in Spalding, so the Trustees can see how we promote access to the countryside. The other invite will be to Oakham. We will then be able to show them the Rutland Water Nature Reserve route. The Trust partly funded this leaflet. This will also enable them to talk to Anglian Water members of staff, who attended the Inclusive Countryside Access course funded by the Trust. From there we will be able to take them to Cutts Close Park and the Castle grounds, to explain the impending improvements and how we are hoping to introduce dementia friendly walks in Oakham. We will then take the Trustees to the Lodge Trust to talk to them about the dementia friendly walks taking place there. We along with the Lodge Trust wish to see improvements to the path on the site. The Lodge Trust and ourselves intend to discuss the improvements required with the Nineveh Trustees. Hopefully

this will pave way to suitable funds being granted for the route improvement and enable us a to create a Countryside For All route leaflet for the site.

## **6. DEMENTIA FRIENDLY WALKS – RUTLAND**

The second round of training due to take place this year has now been postponed to 2018. We are hoping that the improvements in Oakham to the accessibility of Cutts Close Park and the Castle Grounds will be completed prior to the summer of 2018. If we get a number of people trained we will then be able to hold dementia friendly walks in Oakham.

## **7. CHOICE UNLIMITED EVENT**

### **7.1. Rutland**

The Choice Unlimited event will have taken place 11<sup>th</sup> October. Unfortunately this report was submitted prior to the event, so an initial verbal update will be given at the October LAF meeting. We are concerned where we will be able to hold next year's event due to Rutland County Council leasing the hall at the Active Rutland Hub to another organisation.

As previously stated we need to be able to secure regular funding to ensure the event can continue into the future. The annual funding for Rutland Choice Unlimited is covered under separate agenda item.

***ACTION: John – Provide a verbal update on the Rutland Choice Unlimited event***

### **7.2 Lincolnshire**

The Spalding Choice Unlimited Working Group continues to create the foundations of the event. We have identified two suitable dates for the event, these are 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> May. The Event Centre and the Mobiloo have been booked provisionally for these two dates. We will confirm which date by the end of November. A further meeting for the working group has been arranged for the 21<sup>st</sup> November.

To aid the funding for Spalding Choice Unlimited annual sponsorship is required. This is covered under a separate agenda item.

## **8. FUNDING BIDS**

The funding bids are covered in other areas of this report and under a separate agenda item.

## **9. SENSORY TRAILS AND GREEN SPACES**

Due to workload this project has not progressed any further.

## **10. CHANGING PLACES TOILETS**

### **10.1. North Sea Observatory**

Unfortunately the North Sea Observatory has not incorporated changing places toilets into the design. We have asked Chapel St Leonards Parish Council if they can investigate the possibility of the building currently housing the cafe, to include a changing places toilet when the cafe ceases to trade. The cafe will cease trading when the new cafe opens in the North Sea Observatory. The Parish Council have stated the changing places toilets will be discussed at the next Environment & Amenities Committee meeting.

### **10.2. Letter to the CEO of Anglian Water**

There is a need for Changing Places Toilets at Rutland Water. Below is a draft letter for the South Lincolnshire and Rutland LAF to comment on:

*Dear Mr Simpson*

*The South Lincolnshire and Rutland Local Access Forum is promoting with other organisations increasing the number of changing places toilets that are available. Changing places toilets are for people with profound and multiple learning difficulties as well as people with physical difficulties such as spinal injuries. Further details can be found at:*

*[http://www.changing-places.org/the\\_campaign/what\\_are\\_changing\\_places\\_toilets.aspx](http://www.changing-places.org/the_campaign/what_are_changing_places_toilets.aspx)*

*The need is well demonstrated by:*

*<https://m.youtube.com/watch?feature=youtu.be&v=8eLBxoabxjA>*

*We deliver free inclusive countryside access courses to a range of external organisations including your own. At these courses we are now including mentioning the importance of changing places toilets. Rutland Water is a great visitor attraction and the venue at Whitwell provides many opportunities for the disabled including Sailability, Rock Blok, hire of adapted bikes and the Countryside For All route. Obviously having a changing places toilet at this location will enable more people with disabilities to enjoy the range of activities at Whitwell. Can you let us know how we can help you provide Changing Places Toilets at Whitwell? Please respond to Cheryl Hall [cheryl.hall@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:cheryl.hall@lincolnshire.gov.uk)*

*Yours faithfully*

The final version of the above will be on the LAF headed paper and signed by the chairman.

***ACTION: South Lincolnshire & Rutland LAF – Agree on final letter to Anglian Water CEO***

## **11. VISIT ENGLAND - Opportunities in relation to funding for Lincolnshire County Council and North East Lincolnshire Council to promote accessible businesses etc.**

Whilst looking for funding sources for a national web site for countryside for all type routes, the Discover England Fund, forwarded our emails to Ross Calladine, head of

business support. Ross Calladine's team is responsible for developing <https://www.accessibilityguides.org/> . The launch of the new Accessibility Guides web site was circulated to both LAFs in September. The Accessibility Guides format should help encourage businesses to become more accessible. This is due to the commercial value and spending power of the disabled being highlighted by Visit England to businesses. The Rutland group, within the South Lincolnshire and Rutland LAF, are now investigating how this can be promoted to businesses. Both Lincolnshire and North East Lincolnshire, have a lot to gain in the tourism market, if the businesses and other organisations can include this method of promotion. The links below provide further information.

<https://vimeo.com/188300468>

<https://www.accessibilityguides.org/help-guides>

The link below excluding the Question and Answer session may also prove helpful.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZQWp7A7g9JU>

From the LAFs view, any business creating an Accessibility Guide can provide a link to Countryside For All routes close to them. Clearly promoting the Accessibility Guide to businesses and other organisations is outside the remit of the LAF. However the Accessibility Guide should be seen to be of great importance to businesses, other organisations and the Local Authorities. There needs to be a way of promoting the Accessibility Guide. Opportunities for promoting the Accessibility Guide, maybe available in the next round of funding from the Discover England Fund.

***ACTION: LAFs – Recommend organisations to promote the Accessibility Guide for North East Lincolnshire and Lincolnshire***

***ACTION: LAFs – Contact the above informing them of this opportunity.***

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# Agenda Item 8

## **CHOICE UNLIMITED - THE WAY FORWARD**

To improve the event year on year means greater investment is needed. To achieve greater investment we need LAF sub groups to help raise and manage funds. Below are the proposed remits for the Rutland Choice Unlimited sub group and the Spalding Choice Unlimited sub group. We are asking for the LAF to agree on both the remits of the Rutland and Spalding Choice Unlimited and create two sub groups.

## **CHOICE UNLIMITED – RUTLAND**

### **INTRODUCTION**

To ensure we are able to continually hold the Choice Unlimited event in Rutland annually, we need to raise funding. We will be doing this by inviting organisations to provide £400 annually for a period of 5 years. We will be aiming to raise a minimum of £4000 per year. The money collected is only to be spent on the Rutland Choice Unlimited event. To enable us to do this we need to create a sub group. The name we are proposing for the sub group is "Rutland Choice Unlimited Sub Group". The Rutland Choice Unlimited Sub Group will liaise with the Rutland Choice Unlimited Working Group and aim to increase or vary the funding level if required to do so. The Rutland Choice Unlimited Working Group, plans and delivers with Leicestershire Centre For Integrated Living the Choice Unlimited event in Rutland.

### **RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE RUTLAND CHOICE UNLIMITED SUB GROUP**

1. Draft letters to organisations, requesting funding for the Choice Unlimited event. Letters to go out on headed paper and signed by the Chairman of the South Lincolnshire and Rutland LAF.
2. Letters will be written and sent until the minimum annual funding level is reached.
3. Keep account with Rutland CC of the funds available.
4. Only use these funds as directed by the Rutland Choice Unlimited Working Group.
5. Authorise Rutland CC to make payments for items for Rutland Choice Unlimited to Leicestershire Centre For Integrated Living or direct to specific organisations as directed by the Rutland Choice Unlimited Working Group.
6. Liaise with the Rutland Choice Unlimited Working Group at the annual feedback meeting, to decide whether the funding target needs to be varied and if so by what amount.
7. Draft letters of thanks to organisations which have provided funding on an annual basis, stating how their money has helped the Rutland Choice Unlimited event. Letters to go out on headed note paper and signed by the Chairman of the South Lincolnshire and Rutland LAF.
8. The cost of the LAF tables at the Rutland event should be funded by the money raised through this funding source.
9. Seek renewal of the funding organisations commitment, prior to the end of their five year agreement.

## **ADMINISTRATION**

1. Payment from funds held by the sub group will be requested from three signatories of the working group. These will be from any three members of the working group. A list of the working group members will be provided.
2. Members of the Rutland Choice Unlimited Sub Group attending the working group meetings will be paid for mileage from the funds, if travelling from outside Rutland. These claims must be made on a Lincolnshire County Council expense claim form and authorised by three other members of the working group.

## **DRAFT LETTER TO PROSPECTIVE SPONSORS FOR THE RUTLAND CHOICE UNLIMITED EVENT**

The template of the draft letter to prospective sponsors for the Rutland Choice Unlimited event is displayed below:

*Dear?*

*The South Lincolnshire and Rutland Local Access Forum is working with its partners to ensure the Choice Unlimited event in Rutland continues to be an annual event. We have previously delivered successful Choice Unlimited events in 2016 and 2017. Choice Unlimited is a one day event which showcases the diversity of information, products, activities, ideas, innovation, education, employment and other opportunities for the disabled, carers and the elderly. We are asking a number of organisations if they are willing to help us by agreeing to sponsor £400 per year for the next 5 years. If you are able to help us deliver a fantastic event for the next five years, please respond to Cheryl Hall [cheryl.hall@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:cheryl.hall@lincolnshire.gov.uk) prior to 30<sup>th</sup> November 2017. Cheryl will then send you further information.*

*Yours faithfully*

The final version of the above will be on the LAF headed paper and signed by the chairman.

***ACTION: LAF – Does the LAF agree on creating the Rutland Choice Unlimited sub group?***

***LAF – Does the LAF agree on the remit of the Rutland Choice Unlimited sub group?***

***LAF Members – Please state if you wish to join the Rutland Choice Unlimited sub group.***

***LAF – Agree on the template letter to prospective sponsors***

## **CHOICE UNLIMITED – SPALDING**

### **INTRODUCTION**

To ensure we are able to hold the Choice Unlimited event in Spalding annually, we need to raise funding. We hope to do this by inviting organisations to provide £400 annually for a period of 5 years. We will be aiming to raise a minimum of £8000 per year. The money collected is only to be spent on the Spalding Choice Unlimited event and preparation for the event e.g. meeting room hire pre and post event. To enable us to do this we need to create a sub group. The name we are proposing for the sub group is "Spalding Choice Unlimited Sub Group". The Spalding Choice Unlimited Sub Group will liaise with the Spalding Choice Unlimited Working Group and aim to increase or vary the funding level if required to do so. The Spalding Choice Unlimited Working Group, plans and delivers, with Leicestershire Centre For Integrated Living the Choice Unlimited event in Spalding.

### **RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SPALDING CHOICE UNLIMITED SUB GROUP**

1. Draft letters to organisations, requesting funding for the Choice Unlimited event. Letters to go out on headed paper and signed by the Chairman of the South Lincolnshire and Rutland LAF.
2. Letters will be written and sent until the minimum annual funding level is reached.
3. Keep account with Lincolnshire CC of the funds available.
4. Only use these funds as directed by the Spalding Choice Unlimited Working Group.
5. Authorise Lincolnshire CC to make payments for items for Spalding Choice Unlimited to Leicestershire Centre For Integrated Living or direct to specific organisations as directed by the Spalding Choice Unlimited Working Group.
6. Liaise with the Spalding Choice Unlimited Working Group at the annual feedback meeting, to decide whether the funding target needs to be varied and if so by what amount.
7. Draft letters of thanks to organisations which have provided funding on an annual basis, stating how their money has helped the Spalding Choice Unlimited event. Letters to go out on headed note paper and signed by the Chairman of the South Lincolnshire and Rutland LAF.
8. The cost of the LAF tables at the Spalding event should be funded by the money raised through this funding source.
9. Seek renewal of the funding organisations commitment, prior to the end of their five year agreement.

## **ADMINISTRATION**

1. Payment from funds held by the sub group will be requested from three signatories of the working group. These will be from any three members of the working group. A list of the working group members will be provided.
2. Members of the Spalding Choice Unlimited Sub Group attending the working group meetings will be paid for mileage. These claims must be made on a Lincolnshire County Council expense claim form and authorised by three other members of the working group.

## **DRAFT LETTER TO PROSPECTIVE SPONSORS FOR THE SPALDING CHOICE UNLIMITED EVENT**

The template of the draft letter to prospective sponsors for the Spalding Choice Unlimited event is displayed below:

*Dear?*

*The South Lincolnshire and Rutland Local Access Forum is working with its partners to deliver the Choice Unlimited event in Spalding. Choice Unlimited is a one day event which showcases the diversity of information, products, activities, ideas, innovation, education, employment and other opportunities for the disabled, carers and the elderly. Together with our partners we have delivered successful events in Rutland in both 2016 and 2017. We are now aiming for it to be an annual event in Spalding. We are asking a number of organisations if they are willing to help us, by agreeing to sponsor £400 per year for the next 5 years. If you are able to help us deliver a fantastic event for the next five years, please respond to Cheryl Hall [cheryl.hall@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:cheryl.hall@lincolnshire.gov.uk) prior to 30<sup>th</sup> November 2017. Cheryl will then send you further information.*

*Yours faithfully*

The final version of the above will be on the LAF headed paper and signed by the chairman.

***ACTION: LAF – Does the LAF agree on creating the Spalding Choice Unlimited sub group?***

***LAF – Does the LAF agree on the remit of the Spalding Choice Unlimited sub group?***

***LAF Members – Please state if you wish to join the Spalding Choice Unlimited sub group.***

***LAF - Agree on the template letter to prospective sponsors***

# Agenda Item 9

## TESCO BAGS OF HELP FUND

We have been trying for three years to find funding for I-Spy in the Countryside booklets. We initially purchased 70 copies to see if it would help us have conversations with children with autism and learning difficulties and their parents and also adults with autism and learning difficulties. The reason for this is to encourage them to venture out and enjoy the countryside. Because we have had difficulty in obtaining funding we have been very selective how we have given these booklets away. It is clear from the reactions we have had that all the I-Spy booklets related to the countryside, create real interest from the children and adults we have engaged in conversation with. Having evidence that it does lead them to venture into the countryside is difficult to determine. Providing different I Spy books related to the countryside year on year, may provide feedback and evidence. We have now established that the Tesco Bags of Help fund may fund this project. The issue we have is that if we win funding it will either be £1000, £2000 or £4000. We can get these booklets for £1.35. Clearly 560 booklets should last us for 2 years and stocking above that figure would be an issue for storage. Now we have found that the Bags of Help fund will accept this type of funding application, we can use it again when stock is at the reorder point. We have also been after a pop up banner to display at events like Choice Unlimited. So the banner can be part of our funding bid. The banner would be promoting countryside for all and display that it is promoted by the local access forums.

I believe to strengthen our bid to win the £1000 we should include the £200 for leaflets for the Mount group. At previous Leicester Choice Unlimited events the Mount Group (excluding Springbridge - carriage driving) is the only RDA group which has provided us with leaflets to signpost their organisation. This was also the case at the Rutland event. We must remember whatever we do, our aim is to win the funding for the I Spy booklets. Information relating to the Mount Group's funding is at the end of this document.

So our challenge is if we win £2000 or £4000, which gives us an extra £1000 or £3000, what do we spend the money on? I have changed the original proposal relating to if we win the extra £1000 or £3000 to reflect the LAF's needs. Again it is important to remember we cannot afford to weaken our funding application. To enable us to move forward on this issue I would like LAF members to look at what I am proposing and if they feel they have a more worthwhile proposal submit it to Cheryl, so she can include it with the LAF papers. The proposer will have up to 5 minutes to state why their proposal should be included in the bid. The other members of the LAF will then have a chance to comment on the proposal. Once all the proposals are heard, all members of the LAF will then vote on what should be included in the funding application. The application will be voted on by the Tesco in Rutland, so we need to aim whatever we include towards benefiting Rutland people.

**So my proposal is:**

£760 - I Spy booklets - These booklets will also be given out at the Lincolnshire and Leicestershire events

£40 - \*A pop up banner for displays at Choice Unlimited and similar events, with the words "Countryside For All" "Promoted by the "Leicestershire, Lincolnshire and Rutland Local Access Forums"

£200 - Leaflets for The Mount Group RDA (some of these leaflets we will be using ourselves to distribute at events)

\*It may be the case that the pop up banner price maybe slightly different to that quoted. Whether the price is lower or higher than that quoted, the £800 will be used for the I-Spy booklets and the pop up banner.

I would like the above to remain fixed. However if you feel you there is a better option than £200 going to the Mount Group. Please let Cheryl know and state "Proposal for the first £200". Please provide one sentence on what the money should be spent on and a short paragraph on the reason why.

**My proposal if we win a further £1000 or £3000 is:**

To allocate £100 maximum to table top leaflet dispensers.

This will enable people with wheelchairs and mobility scooters to pick up the Countryside for All leaflets easily at the events we attend. It will also enable everyone to see the different route leaflets easily and make the stand look more professional.

To allocate up to £200 maximum for the event table cloth and table runners.

This is to enable people visiting the events we attend to easily understand who we are and what we do.

To allocate the remainder of the money to next year's Rutland Choice Unlimited event.

The reason being that we may not get the amount of money we need from Sponsors initially. The Choice Unlimited event benefits the Rutland elderly, disabled and their carers.

So if you feel there is/are better option/s for the £1000 or £3000, please provide one sentence on what the money should be spent for the option/s and a short paragraph/s on the reason/s why.

## **INFORMATION RELATING TO THE MOUNT GROUP**

Dear John

Caroline Hodges passed a copy of your email to me as I am a Trustee for The Mount Group, RDA. My name is Diane Clews and I am involved in fundraising for our group. I have recently submitted an application to Tesco for "Hiring of Horses", and live in hope that we will be successful in our bid.

Thank you very much for considering The Mount Group in your bid. We also need to update our leaflets about RDA and have them printed, so a contribution would be most welcome. We estimate the cost would be up to £200.

Our annual running costs are approximately £22,000, for which we do not receive any government funding. We rely entirely on contributions from riders, donations and fundraising events to meet costs. Any contribution awarded to The Mount Group, would be greatly appreciated.

We have up to 40 children and adults per week and approximately half of them are from Rutland.

I hope this information has been helpful to you

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**Open Report on behalf of Richard Wills - Executive Director for Environment & Economy**

Report to: **South Lincolnshire and Rutland Local Access Forum**  
Date: **25 October 2017**  
Subject: **Definitive Map Modification Orders - Ongoing**

**Summary:**

A report on the progress of Definitive Map Modification Orders currently being progressed

**Recommendation(s):**

That the report is noted & formal written advice provided as required.

## 1. Background

As Surveying Authority the County Council has a statutory duty to keep under continuous review the Definitive Rights of Way Map and Statement for Lincolnshire and to make orders to take account of events requiring the map to be modified. This is carried out by the processing of Definitive Map Modification Orders (DMMOs) which are either applied for by the public or initiated by the Authority on the discovery of evidence.

Highways & Traffic Guidance Note HAT33/3/11 sets out that such cases will be dealt with in order of receipt/initiation unless one or more of the eight "exception criteria" apply.

The criteria are as follows:

1. Where there is sustained aggression, hostility and ill feeling within a community that is causing severe disruption to the life of that community, and that in processing the case early there is a strong likelihood this will reduce.
2. Where there is a significant threat to the route, likely to cause a permanent obstruction (e.g. a building, but not, for example, a locked gate or residential fencing).

3. Where there is, or has been, a finding of maladministration by the Local Government Ombudsman on a particular case and that in processing the case the County Council will discharge its duty to the Ombudsman's decision.
4. Where legal proceedings against the County Council are instigated or are likely to be instigated and it is possible that the Authority has a liability.
5. Where there is a risk to children on County Council owned property and land or where the claimed route would provide for a safer alternative route to a school, play area or other amenity for children.
6. Where there is a significant financial saving to the County Council (and therefore taxpayers) through the processing of an Order.
7. Where a new application is received that relies on evidence of a case already received or, if the new application forms part of or is adjoining to an existing claim, the new claim will be dealt with at the same time as the older application.
8. Where the route will significantly assist in achieving a Countryside and Rights of Way Improvement Plan Objective or Statement of Action.

The above numbered exception criteria do not cover every eventuality and it is recognised that in exceptional circumstances there may be other reasons why it would benefit the public for a case to be considered out of normal order. Officers will not prioritise any case under such circumstances and any appeal will only be considered by the Definitive Map & Statement of Public Rights of Way Sub-Committee.

Initially the priority of a case is set by Officers however there is a right of appeal for any affected persons whereby a decision is made by the Definitive Map & Statement of Public Rights of Way Sub-Committee on a case's priority in response to such an appeal.

Appendix A provides an outline of the position of cases currently deemed to be "active" within the prioritisation policy.

## **2. Consultation**

### **a) Scrutiny Comments**

This has not been considered by a scrutiny committee.

### **b) Executive Councillor Comments**

n/a

### **c) Local Member Comments**

n/a

#### d) Policy Proofing Actions Required

n/a

### 3. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Outline summaries of "active" modification order cases as at 30 <sup>th</sup> September 2017
Appendix B	Appeals against prioritisation – Quarter 2 2017-2018
Appendix C	<u>Definitive Map Case Prioritisation</u> (LINK) – Paper copies available on request

### 4. Background papers

The following background papers as defined in the Local Government Act 1972 were relied upon in the writing of this report.

Highways & Traffic Guidance Note 33 – Prioritisation of Definitive Map Modification Orders - <b>HAT 33/3/11</b>
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## APPENDIX A – Outline Summaries of "active" modification order cases

PARISH	CASE No.		CASE TITLE	FORMAL APP?	Date	UPDATE
Middle Rasen	72	PF	Caistor Rd to Gatehouse Lane	Yes	05/08/87	DMMO seeking to record PF 1147 made 12/06/17 – objection period ended 10/08/17 – objections received. Submission to Planning Inspectorate (PINS) in progress.
Hogsthorpe	49	PF	Sea Lane to Maiden Lane	Yes	11/12/1986	Submitted to PINS 03/08/17.
Ancaster	2	RB	Regrade from RB to BOAT	Yes	13/11/1991	Reviewing evidence.
Coningsby	182	PF	School Lane to Dogdyke Road	Yes	06/11/1997	Submitted to PINS 27.04.2017 – Public Inquiry scheduled for 21.02.18 & 22.02.18 at Coronation Hall, Spa Rd, Woodhall Spa LN10 6PZ. Path number PF 1124.
Tetford	365	PF	Addition of "missing link" North Road to PF 33	No	30/09/2013	Summary for decision under way.
Ludborough	378	PF	Alleged PF along track running to and from PF 107	Yes	06/10/2014	Reviewing evidence.
Navenby	384	PB	Alleged PB Grantham Road-Doncaster Gardens	Yes	16/04/2015	DMMO made seeking to record PF 1146 along the Application route on 23.06.2017: objection period 06.07.2017-18.08.2017. Objections received. Awaiting final response from objectors.
Heydour	48	PF	PF to be diverted	No	01/01/1985	Reviewing evidence.
Aunsby & Dembleby	5		Aunsby RB 6 plus section to Manor House Farm, Aunsby PB 9, Heydour RB 18	No	11/07/1985	Reviewing evidence.
Mablethorpe & Sutton	106	PF	High Street to Broadway	Yes	16/09/1985	Reviewing evidence.
Grimoldby	43	PF	From Mill Lane	Yes	23/10/1985	Submitted to PINS 24/06/17.
Burgh-le-Marsh	18	PF	Faulkers Lane	Yes	10/02/1987	Draft Statement of Grounds complete.
Stamford	101	PF	Cherry Holt Lane to Priory Road	Yes	03/04/1987	Reviewing evidence.

BOAT: Byway Open to All Traffic

RB: Restricted Byway

PB: Public Bridleway

PF: Public Footpath

- **Total Number of cases (formal application or self-initiated): 149 outstanding inclusive of 3 Orders awaiting determination by the Secretary of State at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017)**

APPENDIX B – Appeals against prioritisation – Q2 2017-2018

No DMMO prioritisation appeals were submitted or heard over the period since the last forum meeting.

APPENDIX C – Definitive Map Case Prioritisation

ACTIVE CASEWORK

Parish	File	Status	Further details	Application/Acceptance	Active	Priority Ranking
Middle Rasen	72	PF	Caistor Rd to Gatehouse Lane	05/08/1987	Yes	1
Hogsthorpe	49	PF	Sea Lane to Maiden Lane	11/12/1986	Yes	2
Ancaster	2	RB	to BOAT	13/11/1991	Yes	3
Coningsby	182	PF	School Lane to Dogdyke Road	06/11/1997	Yes	4
Tetford	365	PF	Addition of missing link to PF 33	30/09/2013	Yes	5
Ludborough	378	PF	Claimed footpath along track running to and from PF107	06/10/2014	Yes	6
Navenby	384	PB	Claimed bridleway from Grantham Road to Doncaster Gardens	16/04/2015	Yes	7
Heydour	48	PF	PF to be diverted - from Southern end of PF 3 to church Lees	01/01/1985	Yes	8
Aunsby & Dembleby	5	PROW	see file	11/07/1985	Yes	9
Mablethorpe and Sutton	106	PF	High St to Broadway	16/09/1985	Yes	10
Grimoldby	43	PF	from Mill Lane	23/10/1985	Yes	11
Burgh-le-Marsh	18	PF	Faulkers Lane	10/02/1987	Yes	12
Stamford	101	PF	Cherry Holt Lane to Priory Rd	03/04/1987	Yes	13

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Location	Ref	Status	Path Ref	Legislation	File Date	Comments
Thorpe-by-Water	RCCDC/M10	Footpath		WCA s53(3)(c)(i)	08/11/2013	Need to publish new notice (also, seal issue!)
Oakham	RCCDC/M11	Footpath		WCA s53(3)(c)(i)	04/12/2013	
Wardley	RCCDC/M8	Bridleway		WCA s53(3)(c)(i)	09/02/2014	Directed to make Order. Objection received. Start date 31/07/2017
Ketton	RCCDC/M13	Footpath	E335	WCA s53(3)(c)(i)	18/09/2015	
Langham	RCCDC/M15	Bridleway	D85	WCA s53(3)(c)(iii)	16/11/2016	Appeal allowed. Directed to make Order.
Clipsham	RCCDC/M16	Footpath		WCA s53(3)(c)(i)	22/05/2017	Application determined. Legal instructed to make Order.

Since Jul 2017:

0 Orders confirmed  
 0 Case referred  
 0 New cases received  
 0 Order declined

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## Open Report on behalf of Richard Wills - Executive Director for Environment & Economy

Report to:	<b>South Lincolnshire &amp; Rutland Local Access Forum</b>
Date:	<b>25 October 2017</b>
Subject:	<b>Progress of Public Path Orders</b>

### Summary:

A report on the progress of Public Path Orders

### Recommendation(s):

That the report is noted and formal written advice given where required

## 1. Background

The County Council has a power to divert, extinguish or create public rights of way either of its own volition or following an application to do so from the public. The Council may also enter into agreements with landowners regarding the dedication of public rights.

## 2. Summary of ongoing cases

The County Council is currently working on a number of cases most notably as follows:

- A package of eight diversions to realign routes in the Coastal Country Park area including the potential dedication of a bridleway over a current footpath. The Orders were made 21.07.17, with an objection received to one.
- A diversion of part of Public Footpath No. 124 and extinguishment of a non-definitive footpath at North Wold Farm in Tealby: an Order was made 05.05.2017, with the consultation period running to 15.06.2017. No objections were received therefore the Order was confirmed.
- A proposal to divert Old Bolingbroke Public Footpath 198, for which the consultation period also ended on 15.06.2017. No objections were received therefore the proposal is awaiting certification of the route.
- A proposal to divert Irnham Public Footpath 7, for which consultations ended on 16.06.2017. No objections were received and the proposal was confirmed 26.09.2017.

- Extinguishment and creation orders in Market Deeping and Deeping St James parishes seeking to provide an improved route for a well-used public footpath in a developed area were made, with a consultation period running to 02.06.2017, however an objection has been received. The proposal was submitted to the Planning Inspectorate to determine on 14.08.2017.
- A proposal to extinguish, dedicate and create various PROW in Claypole and Stubton parishes, on which a meeting will shortly be held.
- Extinguishment, creation and diversion proposals in respect of Little Hale Public Footpaths 2 and 3 – these orders are awaiting confirmation and a legal event, as the bridge which was required has now been provided.

These public path orders have been undertaken as they fall within one of three of the following strategic areas:

- Applications from members of the public where public benefit in the proposal can be demonstrated in line with the Council's Rights of Way Improvement Plan.
- Cases that form part of wider green infrastructure schemes (Coastal Country Park, Witham Valley Country Park etc.)
- Cases forming part of wider Council strategies (Road / Rail Partnerships, Environmental strategies)

The County Council is developing a provisional Public Path Order Policy, which will eventually determine the order in which proposals are processed. This will need to be ratified before it can be implemented, and is subject to any changes necessary once regulations in respect of the Deregulation Act 2015 are issued.

### **3. Consultation**

#### **a) Has Local Member Been Consulted?**

n/a

#### **b) Has Executive Councillor Been Consulted?**

n/a

#### **c) Scrutiny Comments**

n/a

#### **d) Policy Proofing Actions Required**

n/a

#### **4. Background Papers**

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

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Location	Status	Path Ref	Legislation	Application Date	Comments
Caldecott	Bridleway	E315	HA s119	N/A	Order to be drafted
Lyddington	Footpath	E314	HA s119	N/A	Order to be drafted
Clipsham	Bridleway	E135	TCPA s257/S261	N/A	Application appears to affect land not owned by the applicant
Langham	Footpath	D85	HA s119	24/04/2015	Order to be abandoned. Discussions over route to be scheduled.
Hambleton	Footpath	E341	HA s119	07/05/2015	New route agreed. New order to be made.
Manton	Footpath	E195	HA s119	11/01/2017	Planning issue! No public benefit to proposal!

Since Jul 2017:

0 Orders made  
 0 Orders confirmed  
 0 Order came into operation  
 0 Orders abandoned  
 0 Cases referred  
 0 New case opened

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