

To: All Members and Officers of the Countryside and Rights of Way Panel.

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Date: 10 February 2021

Dear Sir/Madam,

Countryside and Rights of Way Panel - Friday 12th February 2021

I have recently forwarded to you a copy of the agenda for the next meeting of the Countryside and Rights of Way Panel.

I am now able to enclose, for consideration at next Friday 12th February 2021 meeting of the Countryside and Rights of Way Panel, the following report that the Chairman has agreed may also be considered as an urgent item.

5. <u>Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, Section 53 - Application for the upgrade of Public Footpath 26, Seighford Parish to Bridleway Status</u> (Pages 1 - 2)

Report of Director of Corporate Services.

John Tradewell
Director of Corporate Services

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Addendum – (LN644G)

The below points arising after the submission of the report are also brought to the attention of the Panel.

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From: Adkins, David (Corporate) <david.adkins@staffordshire.gov.uk>

Sent: 05 February 2021 14:49

To: James Holt REDACTED EMAIL ADDRESS

Subject: RE: Footpath 26- Seighford

Dear Mr Holt

I can now confirm that the consultation on the draft report is over and that I have included all the points you raised for the attention of the Panel. At present the Council does not operate a compensation scheme, notwithstanding I have passed these details to the Panel. It is not possible to pre-empt their decision but given your comments on people straying from the existing footpath/s I am happy to pass this on to our colleagues in rights of way to see if they can offer any help with signage – although only if you are happy for me to do so. The application is due to be considered at our next CROW Panel meeting on the 12th February and I will of course let you know the outcome. In the meantime, if you have any further comments or questions please let me know as soon as is convenient.

Kind regards

David

From: James Holt REDACTED EMAIL ADDRESS

Sent: 05 February 2021 17:20

To: Adkins, David (Corporate) < david.adkins@staffordshire.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Footpath 26- Seighford

Dear Mr Adkins,

Any extra signage might help keep people on the right track across my field and I am happy for this to be relayed to your colleagues.

With regard to the bridleway I cannot accept this unless it is by compulsory purchase, farming is my livelihood and I am not prepared to give away a strip of land for members of the public to ride a horse on!

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James Holt

Email From: David Adkins (Staffordshire County Council) to James Holt (Landowner) Fri 05/02/2021 17:26
Dear Mr Holt
Many thanks and I will of course pass this on to colleagues and in the other regard I will ensure the Panel are fully aware of things from your perspective.
Kind regards
David

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