ADDENDUM

The following responses were received following the circulation of the draft report.

1) Kevin Sylvester contacted your officers by telephone on the 13/06/22 to explain that the alleged route was not the one currently being used by the public and that they were accessing alternative routes in the vicinity.

2) Your officers met with Julie Wheawall (as landowner – and representing the landowners) on the 21/06/22 at the council offices to discuss and clarify the alleged route.

   Ms Wheawall supplied a colour aerial photograph of the land as it is today and a colour copy of the relevant section of the OS map. These are attached to this addendum.

   During the discussion Ms Wheawall explained that the alleged route was no longer visible on the ground and was inaccessible at points.

   The land use had also changed and during the 20th century a pond had been created in the vicinity with other transient uses occurring on the surrounding land.

   Your officers explained that these were not matters which the Panel could take into consideration - being concerned purely with whether the right of way exists or not in law.

   Ms Wheawall also confirmed that the public had never been seen to access the alleged route – or even try to access it – again people were said to be accessing other paths in the area.

   Your officers explained the overall process of the S53 application although reiterated that we could not pre-empt the decision of the Panel.

   Ms Wheawall also confirmed that there were only two landowning families affected by the alleged route, both of whom we had consulted.

   Your officers thanked Ms Wheawall for taking the time to consider the application in detail and for discussing the matter with us.