

Appendix F - Proposed Public Rights of Way Legal Order cases for April 2015-2016

Title	Parish	Description
Crabtree Lane	Chieveley	DMMO - claimed public footpath - has been investigated and is being discussed with Legal Team to see whether or not the legal tests are met for an Order to be made and advertised.
Lower Way	Thatcham	DMMO - claimed public footpaths - this affects access for many local residents in Thatcham, and also an area that was designated as a potential housing site in Thatcham, which local residents are seeking to prevent. It is in all parties interests to investigate this case and clarify all the issues as soon as possible. The matter appeared in the Newbury Weekly News February 2015.
Welford 15	Welford	Diversion application - opposed by Open Spaces Society but applicant will cover WBC admin costs. Investigation and consultation within WBC will take place before a final decision is made.
Kintbury 39	Kintbury	Diversion - longstanding application resulting from confusion during Planning Permission - applicant will cover WBC costs. Previous objectors have indicated that this revised proposal will be acceptable - a good new path has been set out that seems preferable to the existing route proposed for diversion.
Stra/9, The Avenue	Stratfield Mortimer	Diversion - longstanding issue where development took place across a public footpath several decades ago, leaving an obstruction but a simple alternative route alongside. A diversion onto this alternative will regularize the situation on the ground with the legal record. No objections expected.
Bradfield 26 (Ford)	Bradfield	DMMO - claimed public bridleway - longstanding issue since the 1960s, when a public bridleway was diverted over a footbridge - horses have to use a ford alongside the footbridge, but this has not been legally safeguarded. Research and investigation is required.
Purl/12 & Tile/3	Purley/Tilehurst	Extinguishment of public footpaths blocked by a housing development - physically, paths have been created as alternative routes to the old routes that were blocked by development. A diversion will regularize the legal record with what is available on the ground. No objections expected.

Consider changes to legislation when they are finalised (they are currently going through the House of Lords as part of the Deregulation Bill) and consider whether it is necessary to make Parish Councils aware of the potential for any unrecorded Public Rights of Way that have existed since before 1949 to be automatically extinguished.

Definitive Map: