REPORT FOR DECISION



Agenda Item

MEETING: PLANNING CONTROL

DATE: 25th MAY 2010

SUBJECT: APPLICATION TO DIVERT PART OF PUBLIC

FOOTPATH NUMBER 15, ST. ANDREWS, RADCLIFFE

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OFFICER

TYPE OF DECISION:

EXECUTIVE (NON KEY DECISION)

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/ STATUS:

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SUMMARY:

This report contains information regarding an application by the residents of Lower Spen Moor Farm and Barn to divert part of Public Footpath Number 15, St. Andrews, Radcliffe to improve security and land management.

OPTIONS AND RECOMMENDED OPTION:

That the Committee approve the application to divert part of Public Footpath Number 15, St Andrews, Radcliffe.

That the Council Solicitor is authorised to draft the necessary orders.

IMPLICATIONS -

Corporate Aims/Policy

Framework:

Financial Implications and

Do the proposals accord with the Policy

Framework? Yes

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Risk Considerations

Statement by Director of Finance and E-Government:

There are no significant risk management issues associated with this proposal As the applicant has agreed to pay all reasonable costs associated with the diversion there are no additional costs for the Authority. Maintenance costs for the diverted footpath will remain the responsibility of the Authority but are not expected to be higher than those for the

existing route. **Equality/Diversity implications** See paragraph 3.1

Considered by Monitoring Officer: Yes

Wards Affected: Radcliffe East

Scrutiny Interest:

TRACKING/PROCESS EXEC DIRECTOR: Env & Development Services

Chief Executive/ Management Board	Executive Member/ Chair	Ward Members	Partners
Scrutiny Commission	Executive	Committee	Council
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1.0 **BACKGROUND**

- 1.1 Plan 1 PRW/15/SA/DC/1 shows the part of the footpath to be diverted as a solid black line A-B and the proposed diversion as a bold, dashed line C-В.
- 1.2 Plan 2, PRW/15/SA/DC/2 shows the location of the footpath within the surrounding area.
- 1.3 Section 119 Highways Act 1980 permits the diversion of a public right of way for the benefit of the landowner if the new route is no less commodious.

2.0 **RISK MANAGEMENT**

2.1 If objections are raised and cannot be resolved the matter would be decided by an Inspector at a public inquiry. The Order may be refused by

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3.0 EQUALITY AND COHESION IMPACT ASSESSMENT (ECIA)

3.1 An ECIA initial screening form has been completed. It has been decided that a full impact assessment is not required.

4.0 ISSUES

- 4.1 Preliminary consultations have been carried out with the prescribed bodies. Appendix 1 indicates the responses received and that no objections have been raised.
- 4.2 The applicants have undertaken to pay all reasonable costs associated with the diversion.

2.0 CONCLUSION

- 3.1 Diversion of part of Public Footpath Number 15, St. Andrews, Radcliffe is necessary to allow the residents of Lower Spen Moor Farm and Barn to secure their property and to manage their land.
- 3.2 That the Committee authorise the Council Solicitor to draft the necessary order under Section 119 Highways Act 1980.

List of Background Papers: Definitive Map and Statement.

Equality Impact Assessment

Attachments: Plans 1, 2

Appendix 1

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