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PUBLIC FOOTPATH REF P12 BLACKFORDBY – ADDENDUM REPORT

Description

This document is an addendum to our original report dated 28th August 2025 and is issued in response to Leicestershire County Council Development and Regulatory Board Agenda Item 9 for the meeting on the 18th June 2026 referring to the *Application for a public path diversion order-proposed diversion of public footpath P12 (part) at Butt Lane, Blackfordby within the parish of Ashby De La Zouch*

Observations.

Item 16 of the Agenda Item 9 states

***Legal Line of Public Footpath P12** – Mr Sunderland is of the opinion that Public Footpath P12 is shown incorrectly on the Definitive Map for the part of the footpath that goes through Mr Ball’s property, stating that the angle of the path has altered by approximately 2.5 degrees compared to the 1957 Definitive Map. Also, that the base mapping used on Preliminary Consultation Plan Number 2575(P) is unreliable and inaccurate.*

This is incorrect, whilst we commented on the thickness of the lines depicting the route of the footpath which cover surrounding boundaries and features at the scale produced, we did not dispute the accuracy of the definitive line on the 1957 version and furthermore we stated the 1:10000 extract from the Definitive Map is an accurate copy of the 1957 map (SI 24/6/25) and as such we have utilised the details that are available on this map in conjunction with the extract.

The drawing 2575(P) is the drawing we are contesting as inaccurate, on the drawing 2575(P) the angle at the change in direction of the footpath at number 200 has been calculated to be 155.5 degrees when measured with a digital angle rule.

However, the 1957 definitive map and the 1958 OS map show this angle to be 153 degrees, a substantial difference, the angle of 155.5 degrees has the effect of rotating the legal line of the P12 footpath anti-clockwise (eastward), away from the rear boundary fence of properties Brecon to Whitegates and closer to the property at number 116. This is a significant distortion of the line of the footpath shown in the definitive and 1957 maps.



Conclusions.

The definitive map is not in dispute; it is the line of the footpath shown on drawing 2575(P) which is inaccurate and is not comparable with the definitive map. The line of path on drawing 2575(P) is at a different angle to the line on the definitive map which moves the path further into the property of 116 Butt Lane. When corrected the route of the path will be along the boundary of 116 Butt Lane as shown on the definitive map



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