Unaffected public footpath _____ **Appendix 1** Footpath to be stopped up . Proposed Map Footpath to be created Scale 1:1250 PUBLIC EQOTPATH CL1/26 ETL GP Abbotts Barn **Abbotts** Barn Cottage Abbotts Manor House / Manor SD House Manor 146.0m UPPER ROAD The Forbury PINTON BLEWETT 143.9m Hillside Cottage

SCHEDULE

PART 1

DESCRIPTION OF SITE OF EXISTING PATH OR WAY

The full width of that section of public footpath CL12/9 commencing from a junction with Lower Road at grid reference ST 5951 5701 (Point A on the Order Map) and continuing in a generally northeasterly direction over the drive and garden of Abbotts Barn Farm for approximately 100 metres to grid reference ST 5955 5710 (Point D on the Order Map).

PART 2

DESCRIPTION OF SITE OF NEW PATH OR WAY

A public footpath commencing from a junction with Lower Road at grid reference ST 5951 5701 (Point A on the Order Map) and continuing in a generally northeasterly and southeasterly direction for approximately 19 metres to grid reference ST 5953 5701 (Point B on the Order Map) and turning in a generally northeasterly direction following the field boundary for approximately 87 metres to grid reference ST 5956 5709 (Point C on the Order Map) and turning in a generally northwesterly direction for approximately 9 metres to grid reference ST 5955 5710 (Point D on the Order Map).

Width: 2 metres between ST 5951 5701 (Point A on the Order Map) and ST 5955 5710 (Point D on the Order Map).

PART 3

LIMITATIONS AND CONDITIONS

None.

Hinton Blewett Parish Council

13th January 2010

Mr G Stark,
Mapping Officer
Bath & North East Somerset Council
Environmental Services, Floor 2,
Riverside,
Temple Street,
Keynsham
Bristol BS31 1LA



Dear Mr Stark

<u>Proposal to divert a section of definitive public footpath CL12/9 at Abbots Barn Farm, Hinton Blewett.</u>

The Parish Council wishes to object to the diversion of footpath CL12/9 on the basis that the diversion will have too adverse an effect on public enjoyment of the path. If it is decided to submit the order to the Secretary of State for determination, we request to be notified and reserve the right to amplify the objection in due course.

Please confirm receipt of this letter.

Yours sincerely,



Nigel Scutt Parish Clerk

Chairman: Liz Brimmell, Abbots Barn Cottage, Hinton Blewett, Bristol BS39 5AL

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Appendix 2 Objector 1

Graeme Stark

From:

Hinton Blewett Parish Council

Sent: To: 08 February 2010 20:06 Graeme Stark

Subject:

CL12/9 Hinton Blewett

Graeme

The Parish Council of Hinton Blewett have now provided me with further details of the reason for their objection for the regulatory Committee to consider. These I attach for your perusal. In your opinion, is this something you think should be forwarded to the regulatory meeting or should we hold fire?

Further to the recent request to divert the above path, we would like to provide information in support of the objection for your Regulatory Committee to take account of when considering this proposal. We know that the Regulatory Committee has the power to abandon the objection and we hope the following information (I help them decide that the definitive path should not be moved.

There is a particular heritage value with this path (CL12/9) which is a continuation, within the Conservation Area, of a path/road system that was formed as part of Hinton Blewett's medieval 'planned' village layout. These paths, and this path in particular, were the only means by which earlier inhabitants were able connect with neighbouring farms, the Church, village green, the Manor, the Rectory and other villages/settlements beyond, the significance of which would be lost if this definitive path was to be diverted.

The Ring O'Bells in Hinton Blewett is famously known as a walkers' pub for the very reason that many people come to the village for the pleasure of walking the footpaths. For many of these people and locals alike, some of their enjoyment of using this path derives partly from knowing that past generations have used it too.

We feel that the recent development undertaken by the landowner, having purchased the property knowing of the existence of the path, does not warrant diverting the path. We are sorry that the owner does not value the historic association of the path over his property. The Parish Council along with other residents feel that the network of paths referred to above are part of what makes Hinton Blewett special, historically, to present day inhabitants and who have a duty to preserve it for future generations.

Regards

Nigel Scutt

Clerk

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Graeme Stark

From:

Sent:

20 December 2009 20:30

To:

Graeme Stark

Subject:

Comments on footpath CL12/9

Proposed diversion of footpath CL/12/9 at Hinton Blewett

I do not wish to see the diversion of footpath 12/9 to be adopted as permanent. For the following reasons:

1) Drop in usage;

Since the diverted route has been in place the use of this footway has fallen away markedly. Normally I would expect to see 2-3 people or groups using this path every week. More in good weather. In October 2009 when the weather was dry I witnesses only one use over a 2 week period. In the last 2 weeks of November I monitored movement on this path and saw nobody

ing it. People now seem to be using alternatives namely Cameley Road or Litton Lane either taking the parallel route across the fields or continuing along the lane itself.

This does not appear to be due to shortage of walkers as these are fairly constant and if anything more walkers than the I would normally expect particularly large groups setting out from the village Barbury. I have only spoken to 2 such groups who had passed by the entrance at Abbots Barn Farm onto Cameley lane. One stated that they were unsure of the path route and the other because it felt "daunting to use. Both were not put off by the mess under foot pointing out that the road was equally bad it this respect.

- 2) It seem to have been diverted at the landowners request to improve his security. As users have rarely used the definitive path shown as AB on your plan but walked along the old fence line it was extremely unusal to see a walker in the garden of Abbots Barn Farm. This and the limited numbers of users means the intrusion could only ever regarded as be negligible. Walkers using this route also pass along my garden boundary and across my field. In 20 years we have been here this has only been a problem once in this respect. Additionally the extremely low official crime figures for Hinton Blewett do not support any worries of security. In 20 years I know of only one attempted break in to an out building at Abbots Barn Farm. This occurred 7 years ago when previous owner was away.
- 3) The diversion has allowed the garden at this property to be extended into an area designated as agricultural field unlawfully.
- 4) This "trail" period for route CB did not take into account that there has been another route in use i.e. along the old fence line. Indeed this route was given prominence over the definitive one by all the previous owners. The removal of the original fence and the installation of a new more prominent one along the new proposed line confused things.
- 5) It has been reported to me by 2 villagers that the proposed footway has been on several occasions made deliberately unpleasant to use .

Regards

Public rights of way in Hinton Blewett

Scale 1:10000

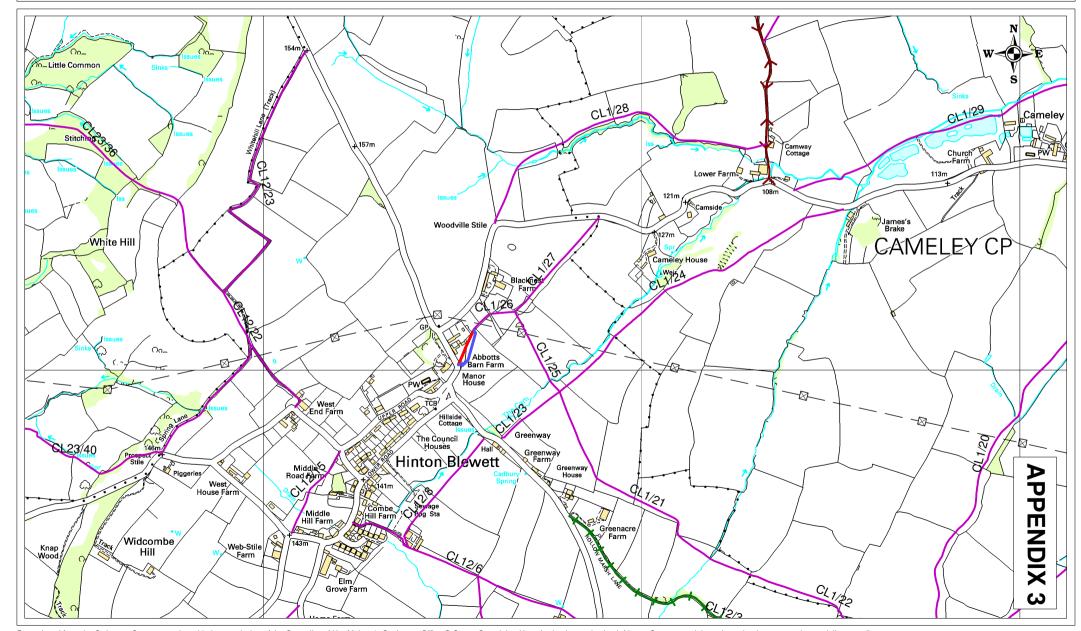
Unaffected public footpath

Unaffected public bridleway

Unaffected byway open to all traffic

Footpath to be stopped up

Footpath to be created



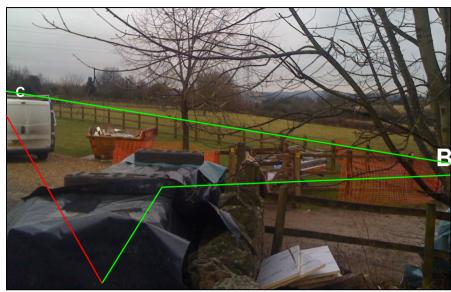


Fig.1: View from Point A (Lower Road) looking northeast



Fig 3: View from Point C looking southwest

Approx. line of Existing Footpath =

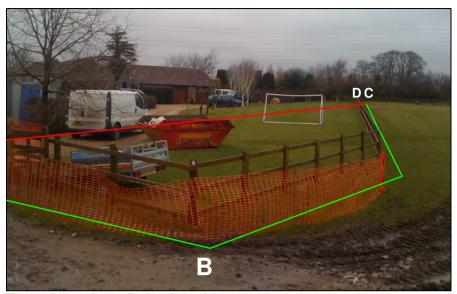


Fig 2: View from Point A looking northeast



Fig 4: View from Proposed Footpath looking east

Approx. line of Proposed Footpath =

Appendix 5

Public Rights of Way Network Alteration Decision Making Risk Assessment

This form is designed to be used during the processing of an application (external or internal) for a Public Path Order, Public Path Creation Agreement or other similar process. The assessment will be carried out by PROW Staff, with external advice or assistance as necessary, prior to the determination of the application and should take into account any proposed mitigation measures.

1. Description	of alteration	proposed
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Diversion of a section of public footpath CL12/9 near Abbotts Barn Farm.

2. Significant risks envisaged if the proposed order and related work is not made and confirmed.

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Risk Description (Cause & implication(s))	Probability	Impact
Enforcement action to make Existing	Unlikely	Negligible
Footpath open and available		

3. Significant risks envisaged if the proposed order and related work is made and confirmed and what action will be taken to manage these risks?

Risk Description (Cause & implication(s))	Probability	Impact	Action
None	n/a	n/a	n/a

4. Further Comments

None.

Print Name: Graeme Stark

Job Title: Mapping Officer

Date of Assessment: 17/02/2010

Public Rights of Way Network Alteration Equalities Impact Assessment

This form is designed to be used during the processing of an application (external or internal) for a Public Path Order, Public Path Creation Agreement or other similar process. The assessment will be carried out by PROW Staff, with external advice or assistance as necessary, prior to the determination of the application and should take into account any proposed mitigation measures.

1. Description of alteration proposed

Proposed diversion of a section of public footpath CL12/9 near Abbotts Barn Farm.

2. Assessment of impact of proposal - including any mitigation planned and comparison with existing situation where appropriate

		Impact or potential impact (negative, positive or neutral)
2.1	Gender – identify the impact/potential impact on women, men and transgender people	Neutral
2.2	Disability - identify the impact/potential impact on disabled people (ensure consideration of a range of impairments including visual and hearing impairments, mobility impairments, learning disability etc)	Neutral
2.3	Age – identify the impact/potential impact on different age groups	Neutral
2.4	Race – identify the impact/potential impact on different black and minority ethnic groups	Neutral
2.5	Sexual orientation - identify the impact/potential impact on lesbians, gay men, bisexual and heterosexual people	Neutral
2.6	Religion/belief – identify the impact/potential impact on people of different religious/faith groups and also upon those with no religion.	Neutral

3. Further Comments

None

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