

**HIGHWAY REGULATION COMMITTEE**  
**05/02/2025 at 5.30 pm**



**Present:** Councillor Shuttleworth (Chair)  
Councillors Chowhan, Davis (Vice-Chair), Kenyon (Substitute)  
and Woodvine

Also in Attendance:

Andy Cowell	Highways and Engineering
Alan Evans	Group Solicitor
Liam Kennedy	Highways & Engineering
Kaidy McCann	Constitutional Services

1        **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Murphy.

2        **URGENT BUSINESS**

There were two items of urgent business received that was heard at items 10 and 11.

3        **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest received.

4        **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no public questions received.

5        **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2024 be approved as a correct record.

6        **OBJECTIONS TO PROHIBITION OF WAITING –  
BUCKSTONES ROAD, SHAW**

Consideration was given to a report which recommended the introduction of prohibition of waiting restrictions along parts of Buckstones Road, Woodhouse Road and Dingle Avenue, Oldham which had been approved under delegated powers on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2024. The report was subsequently advertised, and two letters of objection had been received.

The basis of the objections was that there no off street parking provision and the proposed restrictions would result in residents and visitors to their property having no convenient place to park.

Options considered:

Option 1 – Introduce the proposed restrictions as advertised.

Option 2 – Do not introduce the proposed restrictions.

**RESOLVED** that the proposed restrictions be introduced.

7        **DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT MODIFICATION  
ORDER DIVERSION OF DEFINITIVE FOOTPATH 45  
OLDHAM, AT ROSARY ROAD, OLDHAM, S53 WILDLIFE  
AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981**

The Committee considered a report of the Director of Environment that sought approval to amend the Footpath 45

Oldham Public Path Diversion and Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order 2024 for the aforementioned Footpath to reflect the diversion.



Definitive Footpath 45 Oldham was diverted under s257 of The Town & Country Planning Act 1990, in accordance with planning permission granted for the development of land at Rosary Road, Oldham (PA/331978/12) by a Public Path Diversion Order in 2013. The Order was to come into effect when the diverted route was provided to the Council's reasonable satisfaction. Subsequently, this Order was Confirmed as an Unopposed Order on 16 January 2025, and subsequently brought into effect. As a result of this, Oldham Council has to make the necessary amendments to the Definitive Map and Statement.

Options considered:

Option 1: To approve the recommendation

Option 2: Not to approve the recommendation

RESOLVED: That the recommendation be approved.

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**DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT MODIFICATION  
ORDER DIVERSION OF DEFINITIVE FOOTPATH 180  
OLDHAM, AT LONDON ROAD, DERKER, S53 WILDLIFE  
AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981**

The Committee considered a report of the Director of Environment that sought approval to amend the Footpath 180 Oldham Public Path Diversion and Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order 2024 for the aforementioned Footpath to reflect the diversion.

Definitive Footpath 180, Oldham, was diverted under s257 of The Town & Country Planning Act 1990, in accordance with planning permission granted for the development of land at London Road, Derker (PA/332832/12) by a Public Path Diversion Order in 2013. The Order was to come into effect when the diverted route was provided to the Council's reasonable satisfaction. Subsequently, this Order was Confirmed as an Unopposed Order and brought into effect on 1 March 2023. As a result of this, it is required for Oldham Council to make the necessary amendments to the Definitive Map and Statement.

Options considered:

Option 1: To approve the recommendation

Option 2: Not to approve the recommendation

RESOLVED: That the recommendation be approved.

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**FOOTPATH 26 OLDHAM**

The Committee considered a report of the Director of Environment that sought approval to submit the Footpath 26 Oldham Public Path Diversion and Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order 2024 to the Planning Inspectorate with a request that the Order be confirmed, subject to the

inclusion of the amended wording to the Definitive Statement detailed in Schedule 3 of the report.



The Council made an Order diverting Footpath 26 Oldham over the proposed link road via a stepped route on 4 May 2022. A copy of the order is attached at Appendix 1. The order was subsequently advertised in the local press and received numerous objections.

The objections could not be resolved so the matter was referred to the Planning Inspectorate and a Public Inquiry was held 13th-14th June 2023. The Inspector's decision (ref: ROW/3303492) not to confirm the Made Order was issued 31st July 2023. Russell Homes successfully challenged the Inspector's decision by judicial review and a Consent Order (ref: AC-2023-LON-002664) was confirmed by the High Court quashing the Inspector's decision on 27 October 2023.

Options considered:

Option 1: To agree to the proposed amendments to the Made Order.

Option 2: Not to agree to the proposed amendments.

RESOLVED: That the proposed amendments not be agreed too.

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#### **REPRESENTATIONS TO PROPOSED PROHIBITION OF WAITING – KNOTT LANES, OLDHAM**

Consideration was given to a report which recommended the introduction of prohibition of waiting restrictions on Knotts Lanes, Oldham which had been approved under delegated powers on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2024. The report was subsequently advertised, and fifteen objections and two supporting letters had been received.

The basis of the objections related to the section of proposed restrictions fronting properties 56 to 78 Knott Lanes, stating the proposed restrictions in this location would result in some resident and visitors having no convenient place to park, which would then displace parking into other areas, thus creating further problems. Objectors also raised concerns over some of the proposed restrictions around the Crime Lane Junction.

Options considered:

Option 1 – Introduce the proposed restrictions as advertised.

Option 2 – Relax the proposal in accordance with the plan and schedule in Appendix C

Option 3 - Do not introduce the proposed restrictions

RESOLVED that the proposal be relaxed in accordance with the plan and schedule in Appendix C.

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#### **OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED PROHIBITION OF WAITING – PLATT LANE AND LARK HILL ROAD, DOBCROSS**

This item was deferred.

The meeting started at 5.30 pm and ended at 6.26 pm

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