

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Officer Decision Record

Decision Maker	Jonathan Woods – Countryside Access Group Manager
Title	Application for a Definitive Map Modification Order to record a footpath in Stratfield Turgis Parish of Stratfield Turgis
Reference	CR/1154

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1. The decision:

- 1.1 This is an application made by a member of the Hampshire Countryside Access Forum in 2015 under Section 53 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, to record a footpath in Stratfield Turgis. The application is supported by historic documentary evidence that the applicant believes demonstrates that a Public Right of Way should be recorded.
- 1.2 Having considered the evidence submitted with the application, and undertaken additional research of historic documentary evidence, it is considered that there are insufficient grounds to record a footpath along the route.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1 Hampshire County Council has a duty to determine applications made under Section 53(5) Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. The historical documents reviewed (set out in the accompanying background report) indicate that, on the balance of probabilities, there is insufficient evidence of the existence of a footpath along the claimed route.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. N/A

4. Conflicts of interest:

- 4.1. None.

5. Dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service:

5.1. N/A

6. Supporting information:

6.1. Full Officer Report

6.2 Location Map

Approved by:

Date:

20 August 2019

Jonathan Woods – Countryside Access Group Leader

**On behalf of the Director of Culture Communities and
Business Services**

CORPORATE OR LEGAL INFORMATION:

Links to the Corporate Strategy

Hampshire safer and more secure for all:	yes/no
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
Maximising well-being:	yes/no
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
Enhancing our quality of place:	yes/no
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
OR	
This proposal does not link to the Corporate Strategy but, nevertheless, requires a decision because: the County Council, in its capacity as ‘surveying authority’, has a legal duty to determine applications for Definitive Map Modification Orders made under s.53 Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.	

Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents

The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)

Document

Claim Reference: CR/1154

Location

Countryside Access Team
Castle Avenue
Winchester
SO23 8UL

IMPACT ASSESSMENTS:

1 Equalities Impact Assessment: N/A

2. Impact on Crime and Disorder: N/A

3. Climate Change:

How does what is being proposed impact on our carbon footprint / energy consumption? N/A

How does what is being proposed consider the need to adapt to climate change, and be resilient to its longer term impacts? N/A

This report does not require impact assessment but, nevertheless, requires a decision because the County Council, in its capacity as the 'surveying authority', has a legal duty to determine applications for Definitive Map Modification Orders made under s.53 Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.