

ENVIRONMENT AND HIGHWAYS CABINET BOARD

17TH September 2015

REPORT OF HEAD OF LEGAL SERVICES – D.MICHAEL

SECTION B – MATTER FOR INFORMATION

WARD AFFECTED: CADOXTON

APPLICATION TO DELETE FOOTPATH NO. 23

Purpose of report

To inform Members of the outcome of the appeal to the Welsh Ministers regarding the application to delete Footpath No. 23 in the community of Blaenhonddan.

Background

On the 13th November 2014, this Board refused the application which was made to delete public footpath No. 23 from the Definitive Map and Statement.

The basis of the application was that no public right of way was in existence by 1954 being the first relevant date of this Council's Map and Statement. The applicant contended such a path was shown in error and therefore should be removed from this Council's record of public paths.

On the 27th October 2003 this Council rejected an earlier application made by the same person, but on that occasion the applicant did not take the matter any further.

The present application was the subject of an appeal to the Welsh Ministers against this Council's rejection of the claim. On the 28th July 2015, the Inspector appointed by the Welsh Minister refused the appeal. Consequently, the path retains its public status and will remain on the Definitive Map and Statement.

List of Background papers

Footpaths file

Appendices

None

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