

**Impact Assessment - First Stage**

**1. Details of the initiative**

<b>Initiative description and summary: To assess and evaluate the proposal to downgrade part of Byway No.24 in the Community of Cilybebyll.</b>
<b>Service Area: Legal and Democratic Services</b>
<b>Directorate: Chief Executives</b>

**2. Does the initiative affect:**

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Service users	<b>x</b>	
Staff		<b>x</b>
Wider community	<b>x</b>	
Internal administrative process only	<b>x</b>	

**3. Does the initiative impact on people because of their:**

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>None/ Negligible</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>	<b>Impact H/M/L</b>	<b>Reasons for your decision (including evidence)/How might it impact?</b>
Age		<b>x</b>				The effect of the proposed order would be to regularise the designation of the foot of steps as a public footpath only. It has no impact of this protected characteristic.

Disability		x				The effect of the proposed order would be to regularise the designation of the fight of steps as a public footpath only. It has no impact of this protected characteristic.
Gender Reassignment		x				The effect of the proposed order would be to regularise the designation of the fight of steps as a public footpath only. It has no impact of this protected characteristic.
Marriage/Civil Partnership		x				The effect of the proposed order would be to regularise the designation of the fight of steps as a public footpath only. It has no impact of this protected characteristic.
Pregnancy/Maternity		x				The effect of the proposed order would be to regularise the designation of the fight of steps as a public footpath only. It has no impact of this protected characteristic.
Race		x				The effect of the proposed order would be to regularise the designation of the fight of steps as a public footpath only. It has no impact of this protected characteristic.
Religion/Belief		x				The effect of the proposed order would be to regularise the designation of the fight of steps as a public footpath only. It has no impact of this protected characteristic.
Sex		x				The effect of the proposed order would be to regularise the designation of the fight of steps as a public footpath only. It has no impact of this protected characteristic.
Sexual orientation		x				The effect of the proposed order would be to regularise the designation of the fight of steps as a public footpath only. It has no impact of this protected characteristic.

**4. Does the initiative impact on:**

	Yes	No	None/ Negligible	Don't know	Impact H/M/L	Reasons for your decision (including evidence used) / How might it impact?
People's opportunities to use the Welsh language		x				The proposal does not affect the ability for using the Welsh Language as it relates to access rights
Treating the Welsh language no less favourably than English		x				The proposal does not affect the ability for using the Welsh Language as it relates to access rights

**5. Does the initiative impact on biodiversity:**

	Yes	No	None/ Negligible	Don't know	Impact H/M/L	Reasons for your decision (including evidence) / How might it impact?
To maintain and enhance biodiversity		x				The proposal has no effect on biodiversity given it is concerned with downgrading the legal status of a public path
To promote the resilience of ecosystems, i.e. supporting protection of the wider environment, such as air quality, flood alleviation, etc.		x				The proposal has no effect on biodiversity given it is concerned with downgrading the legal status of a public path.

**6. Does the initiative embrace the sustainable development principle (5 ways of working):**

	Yes	No	Details
<b>Long term</b> - how the initiative supports the long term well-being of people	x		The initiative supports the long term wellbeing of people by ensuring that public path orders are correctly introduced and implemented only when they can be justified and that resources are appropriately used in the provision of legal services to the Council and therefore the wider community.
<b>Integration</b> - how the initiative impacts upon our wellbeing objectives	x		The initiative will further allow the focusing of existing human and financial resources upon the 3 wellbeing objectives by ensuring that public path orders are correctly introduced and implemented only when they can be justified and that resources are appropriately used in assessing and evaluating them.
<b>Involvement</b> - how people have been involved in developing the initiative	x		The initiative builds upon the consultation and evidence gathering with all the stakeholders concerned, before coming to a recommendation.
<b>Collaboration</b> - how we have worked with other services/organisations to find shared sustainable solutions	x		This Authority has ensured all those who have an interest in this initiative have been given an opportunity to provide their views and any evidence they considered relevant.
<b>Prevention</b> - how the initiative will prevent problems occurring or getting worse	x		This initiative will reconcile the error in the classification of the path inherited by this Council.

**7. Declaration - based on above assessment (tick as appropriate):**

A full impact assessment (second stage) <b>is not</b> required	X
Reasons for this conclusion	
Based upon the above assessment a second stage impact assessment is not required as the initiative does not negatively impact on any of the protected characteristics, or the Welsh Language, or biodiversity and embraces the sustainable development principle. The report is resolving an error in the Definitive Map.	

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