

# General Purposes Committee

Wednesday, 11 October 2006

**Present:** Councillor Peter Goldsworthy (Chair), Councillor Mrs Pat Case (Vice Chair) and Councillors Peter Baker, Kenneth Ball, Thomas Bedford, Magda Cullens, Dennis Edgerley, Catherine Hoyle, Hasina Khan, Margaret Lees, Marion Lowe, Peter Malpas, Michael Muncaster, Mark Perks, Edward Smith and John Wilson

## 06.GP.32 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was submitted on behalf of Councillor Ralph Snape.

## 06.GP.33 DECLARATIONS OF ANY INTERESTS

No Members declared any interests in relation to matters under consideration at the meeting.

## 06.GP.34 MINUTES

**Resolved - That the Minutes of the meeting of the General Purposes Committee held on 7 June 2006 be confirmed as a correct record for signature by the Chairman.**

## 06.GP.35 HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 - SECTION 118 PROPOSED EXTINGUISHMENT OF PART OF PUBLIC OF PUBLIC FOOTPATH NO.34 WITHNELL AND CREATION OF PUBLIC FOOTPATH FROM PUBLIC FOOTPATH NO.38 TO PUBLIC FOOTPATH NO37 WITHNELL, CHORLEY

The Director of Customer, Democratic and Legal Services submitted a report requesting the Committee to consider a proposal submitted by Lancashire County Council for the diversion of a length of Public Footpath No 34, Withnell, at Benson's Farm, Abbey Village, Withnell.

The report indicated that the reason for the proposed footpath extinguishment/creation represented one of the commonest put forward ie the desire to take a Right of Way out of the middle of residential/working buildings and re-route it around the periphery of such a site and re-establish it as a new line close by. In this instance this would be achieved by using part of the line of another existing path and in part though the creation of a new length of path.

The proposal was therefore in keeping with most other diversions that have been pursued in recent years.

**RESOLVED - 1) That no objection be raised to the making by Lancashire County Council of a Public Park Extinguishment Order under Section 118 of the Highways Act 1980, for the purpose of extinguishing a 155-metre length of Public Footpath No 34 Withnell, as indicated on the map attached to the submitted report, as it runs from Footpath No 38 through the middle of Benson's Farm to its junction with Footpath No 37.**

**2) That no objection be raised to the making by Lancashire Country Council of a Public Path Creation Order under Section 26 of the Highways Act 1980, for the purpose of providing a new route to replace that length of Public Footpath No 34, Withnell, which the County Council propose be extinguished.**

Chair

