



## SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL Planning & Highways Committee

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**Report of:** Director of Culture and Environment

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**Date:** 30 May 2017

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**Subject:**

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 SECTION 257 PROPOSED DIVERSION OF FOOTPATH OFF OVEREND WAY, GLEADLESS VALLEY, SHEFFIELD.

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**Summary:**

To seek authority to process the Public Path Diversion Order required to divert the public footpath off Overend Way in the Gleadless Valley area of Sheffield shown hatched black on the plan attached as Appendix A.

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**Reasons for Recommendations**

The Council is satisfied that the proposed diversion of the footpath is necessary to enable the approved Development to be carried out. Based on all of the above information, the application is supported.

**Recommendations:**

Raise no objections to the proposed diversion of the footpath linking Overend Way and Raeburn Close, as shown on the plan included as Appendix A, subject to satisfactory arrangements being made with Statutory Undertakers in connection with any of their mains and services that may be affected.

Authority be given to the Director of Legal and Governance to

- a. take all necessary action to divert the footpath by order under the powers contained within Section 257 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.
- b. confirm the order as an unopposed order, in the event of no objections being received, or any objections received being resolved and withdrawn prior to the order being confirmed.

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**Background Papers:**

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## DIRECTOR OF CULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

REPORT TO PLANNING  
AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE  
30 May 2017

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 SECTION 257 PROPOSED  
DIVERSION OF FOOTPATH OFF OVEREND WAY, GLEADLESS VALLEY,  
SHEFFIELD.

### 1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To seek authority to process the Public Path Diversion Order required to divert the public footpath off Overend Way in the Gleadless Valley area of Sheffield shown hatched black on the plan attached as Appendix A.

### 2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 On 21<sup>st</sup> September 2016, planning consent (ref: 16/02665/FUL) was given for the extension to an electricity substation compound including the siting of a modular building, erection of 2.4 metre high perimeter fencing and 3.5 metre high security fencing. The development boundary is shown as a red-line on the plan attached as Appendix A.
- 2.2 In order to enable the approved development to be carried out, it is necessary to re-align the footpath which runs through the site. To be done legally, a Public Path Diversion Order must first be made and confirmed.

### 3.0 CONSULTATIONS

- 3.1 Consultations have been carried out with Statutory Undertakers (i.e. utility companies), the Emergency Services, and other relevant bodies, including footpath societies.
- 3.2 Not all the consultees had responded at the time of writing this report. Of those that have responded no objections have been received.
- 3.3 If any negative comments relating to the application are received before the Planning and Highways Committee meeting, they will be reported verbally.

### 4.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The Director of Legal and Governance has been consulted and has advised that, if the Council is satisfied that the Footpath needs diverting to enable the approved Development to be carried out, it would be appropriate to process the diversion using the powers contained within Section 257 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

## 5.0 HIGHWAY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The subject path is an adopted footpath that links Overend Way and Raeburn Close in the Gleadless Valley area of Sheffield.
- 5.2 A re-aligned route, shown stippled on the plan attached as appendix A, will be created providing a slightly more direct section of pedestrian footpath.
- 5.3 Therefore the diversion of the footpath should not adversely affect the public's enjoyment of the area and will have no detrimental effect on the surrounding highway network and its users.
- 5.4 The new section of path will be 3 metres wide throughout, adopted, maintained by Streets Ahead, and constructed in accordance with Local Authority specification.

## 6.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 No particular equal opportunity implications arise from the proposals in this report.

## 7.0 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 No particular environmental implications arise from the proposals in this report.

## 8.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 All costs accruing to the Council (Highway Maintenance Division) in association with this proposal will be met by the Applicant (including commuted sums for future maintenance if applicable).
- 8.2 Therefore there will be no increase in liability on the Highway Maintenance revenue budget.

## 9.0 CONCLUSION

- 9.1 The Highway Authority is satisfied that the proposed diversion of the footpath is necessary to enable the approved Development to be carried out. Based on all of the above information, the application is supported.

## 10.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 Members raise no objections to the proposed diversion of the footpath linking Overend Way and Raeburn Close, as shown on the plan included as Appendix A, subject to satisfactory arrangements being made with Statutory Undertakers in connection with any of their mains and services that may be affected.

10.2 Authority be given to the Director of Legal and Governance to

- c. take all necessary action to divert the footpath by order under the powers contained within Section 257 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.
- d. confirm the order as an unopposed order, in the event of no objections being received, or any objections received being resolved and withdrawn prior to the order being confirmed.

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30<sup>th</sup> May 2017