

Suggested WPC Email to KCC Highways, michael.tonkin@kent.gov.uk Public Rights of Way Officer, RROW & Access in response to their email dated Friday 17th February 2023.

Proposed Diversion of Part AT204

The Woodchurch Parish Council wish to object to the diversion of part AT204 on the following basis:

- The current alignment, as defined by the Definitive Map, between Terminus Points A & B (see Figure 1), forms one unbroken Public Right Of Way (PROW) AT204, which is frequently used by the public.
- The diversion of part AT204 from terminus point A to points C and D, will break the continuous unobstructed alignment of AT204 between points A and B.
- The proposed A, C, D diversion is shown along a road currently owned by the Rare Breeds Centre, which is used by the public, centre visitors and agricultural traffic alike. It is consequently agreed that this part of the proposed diversion will be in the interests of the applicant and the public, provided suitable a suitable gate/stile is installed at point D, that is open 24/7 and not locked.

The Woodchurch Parish Council suggest that to make the proposed realignment between points A, C, D a workable proposal and to guarantee unobstructed access as a PROW, the length of track between points B and D (see below), is also designated as part of PROW AT204.

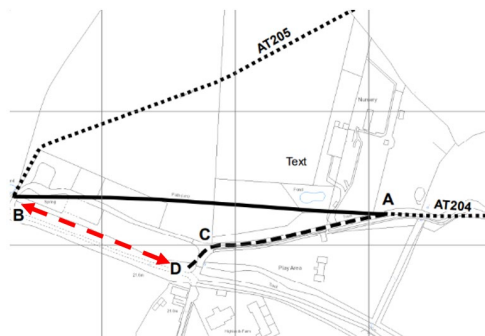


Figure 1: Proposed Diversion and WPC suggested alignment modification.

Proposed Extinguishment of Part AT204 between points A & B (see plan below)

The Woodchurch Parish Council confirm that PROW AT204 & AT205 are frequently walked by villagers and visitors alike, and consequently object to the extinguishment of part of PROW AT204 (see Figure 2), based on the following:

- The current alignment, as defined by the Definitive Map, between Terminus Points A and B forms one unbroken PROW AT204 and positively connects to PROW AT205.
- The extinguishment of part PROW AT204 between terminus points A and B, effectively breaks the continuous alignment of PROW AT204. This section extinguishment will consequently not be in the interest of the public as free and unobstructed access will no longer be guaranteed as a PROW.
- The extinguishment of part PROW AT204 between terminus points A and B, also effectively breaks the connection to PROW AT205. The proposed section extinguishment will consequently not be in the interest of the public, as free and unobstructed PROW access to/from AT205 will no longer be guaranteed.

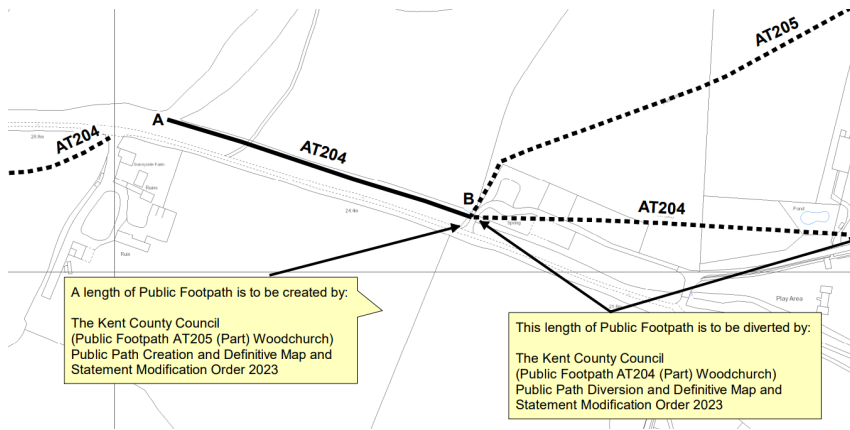


Figure 2: Proposed Part AT204 Extinguishment between A & B.