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To: [Roberts, Ali](#)
Subject: Fw: Public path order enquire re P/2023/013
Sent: 16/07/2025 16:17:17

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Dear Mr Roberts

Please see below my objection sent in June 2024.

Also could I point out that The Ramblers Association do not support the application as suggested on the document list. They simply state that they do not object.

Additionally I would like to add further comments for consideration.

1. There are no material changes to the facts established at the public enquiry in 2012.
2. The criminal activity alleged by the landowner appears to be hugely exaggerated. The Restrop Road area of Purton is not a hot bed of crime. I walk that area on a regular basis and have not witnessed any such activity. The proposed diversion will not alleviate the potential for many these alleged rural crimes as they are in surrounding fields.
3. The right of way passes to the North of the farmhouse and garden through agricultural land which has been cultivated to appear like garden. The route clearly lies on designated agricultural land not the garden or farm yard. The garden and farmyard are positioned to the South of the bridleway. The right of way was contained within established hedgerows which the landowner has removed.
The revised government guidance used to support his application does not, therefore, apply as this is designed to protect gardens and farm yards.
4. The gates referred to as obstructions were installed by the landowner to do just that.
5. The landowner was fully aware of the R.O.W. when he purchased the property and the fact that he doesn't want it is not reason to allow diversion.

I strongly urge Wiltshire Council to refuse this application as any lack of privacy has been caused solely by the landowners actions in removing hedgerows. His redress should be to restore the boundaries and properly maintain the ancient route to improve countryside access and enhance public enjoyment

Regards
Neil Miles

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From: [REDACTED]
To: "definitivemap@wiltshire.gov.uk" <definitivemap@wiltshire.gov.uk>
Sent: Thursday 27 June 2024 at 09:02:04 BST
Subject: Public path order enquire re P/2023/013

Enquiry regarding the public path order application P/2023/013:

It appears that an application for a public path order has been made for Purton 104, known as Mud Lane.

A similar application to divert this bridleway was made by Wiltshire Council some time ago. The application received many objections from local organisations and residents.

A local inquiry was ordered by the Secretary of State in 2012.

The inspector ordered that the historic route of the right of way should remain.

There does not appear to be any material change to the facts established by the inspector at the inquiry in 2012, which surely makes the case that the historic route should be retained.

I wish to register my objection to this diversion order, and request that the application is refused.

Best regards

Neil Miles

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