

Stephen Kisko

From: Definitive Map
Sent: 23 April 2018 11:03
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Application for Modification Order RWO 213

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email regarding the claimed public right of way at Barcombe Mills, our reference RWO 213.

I have placed your comments on file to be reviewed and taken into account when the claim is investigated. Many thanks for contacting the Council about this matter.

Regards

Stephen Kisko

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 21 April 2018 1:33 PM
To: Definitive Map
Subject: Application for Modification Order RWO 213

Re: Claimed Public Right of Way (bridleway) at Barcombe Mills/Hayes lane
Application for Modification Order: RWO 213

F.A.O Mr Stephen Kisko

Dear Mr Kisko,

we write to register our objection to the above application. We have been residents of Barcombe Mills since 1990, when we acquired Barcombe Cottage (marked near the centre of the Council map). Our reasons for objecting to the application include the following arguments:

1. The route being considered for the new bridleway comprises mostly very narrow lanes, which the residents, such as ourselves, are daily compelled to use to get to and from our homes. So narrow are these lanes that they are difficult to negotiate even in a single large 4x4 and for the most part do not allow for two cars - of any size - to pass one another so 'backing up' our vehicles to give way to oncoming traffic is a constant fact of life for us. To allow horse traffic would not only worsen the situation, but we suspect could prove stressful (and potentially injurious) to the horses themselves.
2. The proposed new bridleway does not actually provide access to anywhere unreachable at the present time. The southern part of the route, over the river bridges and along Hayes Lane, simply leads back in a loop on to the main road, where it begins. The route to the north leads to the another private, gated road, which allows access to New Mill House. There is already a long-established bridleway along the disused railway track, starting opposite the old Barcombe Mills station buildings and leading towards Isfield. But to reach that from the proposed new bridleway would involve crossing open, privately-owned farmland.

3. In the 28 or so years since we have lived in the Mills, we do not recall seeing horses being ridden or led over the old bridges and along the proposed route. This has certainly not, in our experience, been a common occurrence.

4. With the exception of one small off-road public car park, parking space in this location is very limited. Should the addition of a new bridleway attract horse boxes, their presence would only add to our problems of access and congestion.

Yours sincerely,

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