MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE RIGHTS OF WAY SUB-COMMITTEE HELD HYBRID IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER - CIVIC OFFICES, ANGEL STREET, BRIDGEND, CF31 4WB ON MONDAY, 11 AUGUST 2025 AT 10:00

Present

Councillor RM Granville - Chairperson

A R Berrow

Present Virtually

J Llewellyn-Hopkins J E Pratt

Officers:

Andrew Mason Rights of Way Manager

Timothy Price-Phillips Rights of Way and Access Land Officer

Leslie Meachin Ramblers Association

Michael Pitman Technical Support Officer – Democratic Services
Oscar Roberts Temporary Democratic Services Officer – Committees

8. Apologies for Absence

Decision Made	Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Simon Griffiths and Helen Donnan
Date Decision Made	11 August 2025

9. Declarations of Interest

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Decision Made	None.
Date Decision Made	11 August 2025

10. Approval of Minutes

Decision Made	RESOLVED: That the minutes of the 11/04/2025 be approved as a true and accurate record.
Date Decision Made	11 August 2025

11. Proposed Part Diversion of Footpath 55 Coychurch Higher

Decision Made	The purpose of this report, presented by the Rights of Way Manager, was to request authorisation for the making of an Order pursuant to Section 257 of the Town & Country Planning Act 1990 on "Land between Heol Laethog and Heol Y Cyw Bridgend".
	In order to facilitate the construction of a Solar park and ancillary development as permitted by planning consent DNS/3279521 at Ty'n y waun, Heol Y Cyw, Bridgend CF35 6HL a section of Footpath 55 Coychurch Higher will need to be diverted. Further information was detailed in the attached appendices to the report.
	RESOLVED: That authorisation be given for the Chief Officer Legal and Regulatory Services, HR and Corporate Policy to make the necessary Order to partly divert Footpath 55 Coychurch Higher, to the route shown on Appendix B to the report, and to confirm the Order provided no objections or representations are made within the prescribed period, or if any so made are withdrawn.
	That the Chief Officer Legal and Regulatory Services, HR and Corporate Policy be authorised to forward the Order to the Welsh Government for determination, if any objections received are not withdrawn.
	That the Order(s) excludes any section of the diversion, which utilises highways which are maintainable by Bridgend County Borough Council, as public rights already exist over them.

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	The Committee further recommended to the Rights of Way Manager that arrangements be made to straighten a blind corner noted as part of the Site Visit.
Date Decision Made	11 August 2025

12. Proposed Part Extinguishment and Part Diversion of Footpath 58 Maesteg

Decision Made	The purpose of this report, presented by the Rights of Way Manager, was to request authorisation for the making of an Order pursuant to Section 257 of the Town & Country Planning Act 1990 on Land east of Siderise Insulation Ltd, Forge Industrial Estate, Maesteg CF34 0AH. In order to facilitate the construction of a new building for training and office space alongside with access, parking, landscaping and drainage infrastructure works as per planning consent P/22/71/FUL a section of Footpath 58, Maesteg will need to be diverted, and an additional section of the same footpath will need to be extinguished. Further information was detailed in the attached appendices to the report. RESOLVED: That authorisation be given for the Chief Officer Legal and Regulatory Services, HR and Corporate Policy to make the necessary Order to partly extinguish and partly divert Footpath 58 Maesteg, to the route shown on Appendix B to the report, and to confirm the Order provided no objections or
	representations are made within the prescribed period, or if any so made are withdrawn. That the Chief Officer Legal and Regulatory Services, HR and Corporate Policy be authorised to forward the Order to the Welsh Government for determination, if any objections received are not withdrawn. That the Order(s) excludes any section of the diversion, which utilises highways which are maintainable by Bridgend County Borough Council, as public rights already exist over them.
Date Decision Made	The Committee further requested that a request to be made to the landowner to ensure the cleanliness of the highway. 11 August 2025

13. Urgent Items

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Decision Made	None.
Date Decision Made	11 August 2025

To observe further debate that took place on the above items, please click this link

The meeting closed at 10:16.